



TEXAS A&M WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2008 | 09 SEASON GAME NOTES

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Record: 4-0 (0-0 Big 12)
Ranking: #8 (AP), #5 (Coaches)
Last Result:
 W, 54-44 at Arizona on 11/25/08
Up Next: vs. Pepperdine or
 Coppin State on 11/29/08
Head Coach:
 Gary Blair, 6th Season
Texas A&M Record: 106-58 (.646)
Career Record: 514-221 (.699)



Record: 3-1 (0-0 Big Ten)
Ranking: None
Last Result:
 L, 80-59 at Pittsburgh on 11/24/08
Up Next: vs. Pepperdine or
 Coppin State on 11/29/08
Head Coach:
 Coquese Washington, 2nd Season
Penn State Record: 13-18 (.419)
Career Record: 13-18 (.419)

#8/5 TEXAS A&M (4-0)

vs.

PENN STATE (3-1)

November 28, 2008

3:00 p.m. (CT)

Firestone Fieldhouse (3,104)
 at Malibu, Calif.

Television: None
Radio: Texas A&M Sports Network
 (KZNE 1150 AM)
Series History: First Meeting
Internet: None

2008-09 SCHEDULE | RESULTS

Overall Record | 4-0 | **Big 12 Record** | 0-0 |
Home | 1-0 | **Away** | 2-0 | **Neutral** | 1-0 |

N 14 MERCER..... W, 73-45

State Farm Women's Tip-Off Classic
 (Baton Rouge, La.)

N 16 vs. #23 Pitt [ESPN2]... W, 56-50

N 20 @ Michigan [BTN]..... W, 59-56

N 25 @ Arizona W, 54-44

Timeout 4 HIV/AIDS Tournament (Malibu, Calif.)

N 28 vs. Penn State..... 3 p.m.

N 29 vs. Pepperdine/
 Coppin State..... 3/5:30 p.m.

D 2 @ Stephen F. Austin.. 7:30 p.m.

D 7 SMU 1 p.m.

D 13 TEXAS STATE 7 p.m.

D 21 TCU [ESPNU]..... 1 p.m.

D 30 NEW MEXICO 7 p.m.

J 3 GEORGE WASHINGTON (DH) ... 5 p.m.

J 5 @ Florida State 6 p.m.

J 10 @ Missouri*..... 5 p.m.

J 13 TEXAS TECH* 7 p.m.

J 18 @ Oklahoma* [FSN]..... 3 p.m.

J 21 BAYLOR*..... 7 p.m.

J 24 @ Oklahoma State* 6 p.m.

J 28 @ Texas* 7 p.m.

J 31 KANSAS* (DH) 4 p.m.

F 4 @ Iowa State* 7 p.m.

F 8 NEBRASKA* 2 p.m.

F 11 @ Texas Tech* 7 p.m.

F 14 COLORADO* 2 p.m.

F 21 TEXAS* [FSN]..... 11 a.m.

F 23 OKLAHOMA* [ESPN2] 6:30 p.m.

M 1 @ Kansas State* [FSN]... Noon

M 5 OKLAHOMA STATE* [FSN] .. 7 p.m.

M 7 at Baylor* 7:30 p.m.

Big 12 Championship
March 12-15, 2009
 (Cox Convention Center,
 Oklahoma City, Okla.)

HOME GAMES IN BOLD CAPS

All Times Are Listed In Central Time (CT)

() Denotes Doubleheader

[] Denotes TV Game

* Denotes Big 12 Conference Game

PEPPERDINE TIMEOUT 4 HIV/AIDS TOURNEY UP NEXT FOR NO. 5 AGGIES

TOURNAMENT PREVIEW

Off to one of its best starts in school history, the undefeated No. 8/5-ranked Texas A&M women's basketball team (4-0) continues a seven-day West Coast road swing by taking part in the four-team Timeout 4 HIV/AIDS Tournament hosted by Pepperdine over the Thanksgiving holiday break on Nov. 28-29 at Firestone Fieldhouse in picturesque Malibu, Calif. The Aggies will take on their second Big Ten Conference opponent of the season in a first-time meeting with Penn State (3-1) on Friday, Nov. 28 at 3 p.m. (CT). A&M will then meet either host Pepperdine (2-2) or Coppin State (0-2) in the consolation or championship game on Saturday, Nov. 29 at 3 or 5:30 p.m. (CT). With one of the nation's top defenses, the Aggies recently held Arizona to a season-low 24.5 percent (12-of-49) and zero percent (0-of-5) shooting from the floor and downtown respectively in a 54-44 win on Nov. 25 in Tucson. The Aggies are three games into a six-game stretch away from the friendly confines of Reed Arena and look to continue their winning ways on the road.

TRACKING THE LADY LIONS

Penn State is looking to rebound from an 80-59 road loss at Pittsburgh on Nov. 24, a team Texas A&M beat 56-50 in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic on Nov. 16. A&M is one of two non-conference opponents ranked among the top 5 in the nation that the Lady Lions will face this season next to a Dec. 14 meeting with No. 1 Connecticut. Led by second-year head coach Coquese Washington, the first female African-American head coach in school history, PSU was on a three-game winning streak prior to its setback at Pitt. They defeated South Carolina (56-42) in their season opener on Nov. 16 followed by victories versus Stony Brook (97-58) on Nov. 19 and Prairie View A&M (80-49) on Nov. 21.

AGAINST THE BIG TEN

Texas A&M is 6-7 all-time against schools hailing from the 11-member Big Ten Conference including Indiana (1-0), Michigan (2-0), Michigan State (0-1), Minnesota (2-3), Northwestern (0-1), Purdue (0-2) and Wisconsin (1-0). The Aggies are 3-1 versus Big Ten opponents in the Gary Blair Era.

PROBABLE STARTERS

#51 SYDNEY COLSON

G | 5-8 | So. | Houston, Texas (Westside)

QUICK NOTES - Was released for drills and workouts on Nov. 9 after undergoing surgery in June to correct a torn ACL in her right knee over the summer months.

PTS	ASTS	MIN	LAST GAME
5.5	3.3	20.3	5 PTS, 2 ASTS

#3 TAKIA STARKS

G | 5-8 | Sr. | Houston, Texas (Westfield)

QUICK NOTES - Team's top returning scorer and a two-time All-Big 12 First Team selection. Named a preseason first team All-American by The Sporting News.

PTS	REB	MIN	LAST GAME
10.3	4.5	31.5	10 PTS, 7 REB

#55 DANIELLE GANT

G/F | 5-11 | Sr. | Oklahoma City, Okla. (Putnam City West)

QUICK NOTES - Returning All-Big 12 First Team standout and most versatile Aggie who can play all five positions. Recorded her 13th career double-double at Arizona.

PTS	REB	MIN	LAST GAME
12.3	8.8	33.5	12 PTS, 10 REB

#21 ADAORA ELONU

F | 6-1 | Fr. | Houston, Texas (Alief Elsik)

QUICK NOTES - Named Big 12 Conference Freshman of the Week on Nov. 24. Second in rebounding at 6.5 rpg. Younger sister of A&M men's player Chinemelu Elonu.

PTS	REB	MIN	LAST GAME
7.0	6.5	22.0	8 PTS, 4 REB

#12 LA TOYA MICHEAUX

C | 6-3 | Sr. | Missouri City, Texas (Hightower)

QUICK NOTES - One of three returning starters from last year's NCAA Elite Eight squad. Currently ranks second on the team in blocked shots (5) and steals (6).

PTS	REB	MIN	LAST GAME
3.0	4.5	22.8	5 REB, 2 BLK

PENN STATE PROBABLE STARTERS

No.	Name	2008-09 Stats
3	Brianne O'Rourke, G, 5-6, Sr.	9.5 ppg, 4.3 apg
1	Tyra Grant, G, 5-11, Jr.	19.5 ppg, 5.5 rpg
23	Meggan Quinn, G, 5-8, Jr.	5.5 ppg, 2.0 rpg
11	Julia Trogele, G/F, 6-1, So.	7.5 ppg, 3.5 rpg
34	Evelyn Lewis, F, 6-3, So.	5.3 ppg, 4.5 rpg

CATCHING UP ON THE WAVES

Pepperdine is 2-2 on the season with two losses against tough Pac-10 competition in UCLA (66-55) on Nov. 18 and USC (69-55) on Nov. 24. The Waves have three players currently averaging double figures in scoring including senior center Miranda Ayim (13.5 ppg), freshman guard Jasmine Jackson (11.5 ppg) and sophomore guard Katie Menton (11.0 ppg). Ayim, an All-West Coast Conference First Team selection, is one of four returning starters from last year's 10-18 squad. The Waves are two years removed from their last NCAA Tournament appearance in 2006, but look to make a return with five newcomers added to the fold under fifth-year head coach Julie Rousseau, who previously coached the WNBA's Los Angeles Sparks in 1997 and 1998.



A LOOK AT COPPIN STATE

Coppin State is the only other school in the four-team tournament field to reach the 2008 NCAA Tournament. Last year, the Eagles earned an automatic bid to the field of 64 as the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Tournament champions, but fell in the first round to top-seeded Maryland (80-66). They are still searching for their first win of the season after road losses at South Florida (97-43) on Nov. 23 and George Washington (77-36) on Nov. 17. Coppin State head coach Derek Brown is in his 10th season and led the Eagles to a 22-12 campaign in 2007-08. Senior Whitney Cunningham, the team's leading rebounder at 8.0 boards per game, was named to the preseason All-MEAC First Team as well as senior teammate Danielle Anders to the All-MEAC Second Team.



SERIES HISTORY

Texas A&M has never faced Penn State or Coppin State in 35 seasons of Aggie Basketball. However, the Aggies lead 2-1 in the all-time series versus Pepperdine having last defeated the Waves, 72-48, in the team's season opener on Nov. 10, 2006, and 74-65 on Dec. 20, 2000, in College Station. Pepperdine's only win in the series was a 101-91 victory on Dec. 8, 1980 in Malibu, Calif.

TEXAS A&M NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Player	Ht.	Pos.	Year-Exp.	Hometown (Previous School)
1	Kiley Finstad	G	5-9	Sr.-1L	Cranfills Gap, Texas (Meridian HS)
2	Damitria Buchanan	F	6-2	Jr.-2L	Houston, Texas (Jones HS)
3	Takia Starks	G	5-8	Sr.-3L	Houston, Texas (Westfield HS)
4	Sydney Carter	G	5-6	Fr.-HS	DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto HS)
12	La Toya Micheaux	C	6-3	Sr.-3L	Missouri City, Texas (Hightower HS)
15	Maryann Baker	G	5-10	So.-1L	Dallas, Texas (Bishop Lynch HS)
20	Tyra White	G	6-0	Fr.-RS	Kansas City, Mo. (Hickman Mills HS)
21	Adaora Elonu	F	6-1	Fr.-HS	Houston, Texas (Alief Elsik HS)
22	Tanisha Smith	G/F	6-0	Jr.-TR	Kansas City, Mo. (Lincoln Prep/UA-Fort Smith)
23	Taniqua Hollis	G	5-6	Fr.-HS	Anton, Texas (Anton HS)
25	Skylar Collins	G	5-9	Fr.-HS	Cedar Hill, Texas (Cedar Hill HS)
40	Kelsey Assarian	F	6-1	Fr.-HS	Naples, Fla. (Barron Collier HS)
44	Katrina Limbaha	F	6-3	Jr.-2L	Riga, Latvia (Fort Worth Lake Country Christian HS)
51	Sydney Colson	G	5-8	So.-1L	Houston, Texas (Westside HS)
55	Danielle Gant	G/F	5-11	Sr.-3L	Oklahoma City, Okla. (Putnam City West HS)

Head Coach: Gary Blair (Texas Tech '72 and '74) - Sixth Season

Associate Head Coach: Vic Schaefer (Texas A&M '84) - Sixth Season

Associate Head Coach: Kelly Bond (Illinois '98) - Sixth Season

Assistant Coach: Johnnie Harris (Arkansas Baptist '96) - Second Season

Director of Basketball Operations: Erich Birch (Texas A&M '02) - Seventh Season

Video Coordinator: Charlee Simmons (SMU '05) - Fourth Season

Athletic Assistant: Katy Pounds (Texas A&M '08) - First Season

PEPPERDINE PROBABLE STARTERS

No.	Name	2008-09 Stats
3	Nakeya Isabell, G, 5-4, Sr.	5.8 ppg, 5.5 apg
31	Jessica Ross, G, 5-10, Jr.	5.3 ppg, 2.8 rpg
11	Taylor Smith, G/F, 5-11, Jr.	2.0 ppg, 0.8 rpg
14	Alisha Bryant, F, 6-0, Jr.	3.5 ppg, 1.3 rpg
21	Miranda Ayim, F/C, 6-3, So.	13.5 ppg, 6.3 rpg

COPPIN STATE PROBABLE STARTERS

No.	Name	2008-09 Stats
11	Shante Cummings, G, 5-9, So.	5.0 ppg, 2.0 apg
30	Danielle Anders, F, 5-11, Sr.	7.0 ppg, 3.0 rpg
20	Lakeyiah Irving, F, 5-11, Jr.	3.0 ppg, 3.5 rpg
32	Jennifer Martin, F, 6-0, Sr.	7.5 ppg, 6.5 rpg
34	Whitney Cunningham, C, 6-3, Sr.	3.0 ppg, 8.0 rpg

BREAKING OUT THE WELCOME MAT

Both Texas A&M and Penn State found success on the recruiting trail this year after signing two of the nation's top 10 recruiting classes in the country in the early signing period. The Aggies' four-member 2009 signing class was ranked as high as No. 4 in the country by Dan Olson's Collegiate Girls Basketball Report and No. 5 by the All-Star Girls Basketball Report, while the Lady Lions' four-member class ranked No. 8 nationally by Blue Star Basketball.

FUN IN THE SUN

This will be the second time in the last three years that the Aggies will spend the Thanksgiving holiday in the Los Angeles area. A&M previously competed in the Loyola Marymount Thanksgiving Classic on Nov. 24-25, 2006. The Aggie women have enjoyed numerous Thanksgiving holiday tournaments in sunny locales including the Paradise Jam in the U.S. Virgin Islands in 2007, the Hawaiian Airlines Rainbow Wahine Classic in Honolulu, Hawai'i in 2005 and the Junkanoo Jam in the Bahamas in 2003. A&M is 8-4 in Thanksgiving tournaments in the Gary Blair Era (2003-Present).

MR. CLEAN WOULD BE PROUD

A&M did not need Windex to clean the glass against Arizona in its last outing. Behind the glass work of Danielle Gant (10), Takia Starks (7), La Toya Micheaux (5), Damitria Buchanan (5) and Adaora Elonu (4), the Aggies turned in a season-high 48 rebounds versus the Wildcats on Nov. 25. Last year, A&M brought down 40-or-more rebounds a game on 14 occasions. The Arizona game marked the third time in the last four contests that the Aggies have surpassed the 40-rebound mark. They are outrebounding opponents by a margin of 6.3 per game.

HIGH SCHOOL MINI-REUNIONS

Texas A&M's Takia Starks, a senior, and Coppin State's Sesalie Johnson, a junior, played together at Houston's Westfield High School under head coach Susan Smith. Both led Westfield High to the state 5A championship title in 2003-04 with Starks playing at shooting guard and Johnson at point guard. One of the top prospects in the state of Texas, Starks garnered state Gatorade Player of the Year honors in 2005. Meanwhile, Texas A&M associate head coach Kelly Bond and Pepperdine sophomore forward Taylor Snider are both alumnae of Whitney Young High School in Chicago which also produced Michelle Obama, wife of current U.S. President-elect Barack Obama.

BLAIR TO BE INDUCTED INTO SFA HALL OF FAME

Texas A&M head coach Gary Blair will be inducted into the Stephen F. Austin Athletics Hall of Fame on Dec. 2 when the Aggies wrap-up their current six-game road slate versus the Ladyjacks in Nacogdoches, Texas. Blair coached SFA to a 210-43 record (.830) from 1985-93 and will be honored at halftime of the contest. Tipoff between A&M and SFA is slated for 7:30 p.m. (CT) at the William R. Johnson Coliseum.

THE GARY BLAIR FILE**BLAIR INSIDE THE NUMBERS**

- 1 NCAA Final Four Appearances (1998)
- 2 NCAA Elite Eight Appearances (1998 and 2008)
- 1 WNIT Championship (1999)
- 14 NCAA Tournament Appearances
- 6 NCAA Sweet 16 Appearances
- 17 20-Win Seasons
- 19 Postseason Appearances
- 22 Winning Seasons In 23 Years
- 514 Career Victories

**COACHING HONORS**

- 2008 TABC Coach of the Year
- 2007 Big 12 Conference Coach of the Year
- 2007 Naismith Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2007 TABC Coach of the Year
- 2006 Women's Basketball News Service National Coach of the Year
- 2006 TABC Coach of the Year
- 2003 Naismith Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2002 Texas High School Basketball Hall of Famer
- 1996 U.S. Jones Cup Team Assistant Coach
- 1995 Basketball Times National Coach of the Year
- 1995 Women's Basketball News Service National Coach of the Year
- Five-Time District VI Converse Coach of the Year

COACHING RESUME

Head Coach, Dallas South Oak Cliff High School (1973-80)

Record: 239-18 (.923)

Assistant Coach, Louisiana Tech (1980-85)

Record: 159-10 (.941)

Head Coach, Stephen F. Austin (1985-93)

Record: 210-43 (.830)

Head Coach, Arkansas (1993-03)

Record: 198-120 (.623)

Head Coach, Texas A&M (2003-Present)

Record: 106-58 (.646)

Combined Career Record: 912-249 (.786)

STATISTICAL COMPARISON

2008-09 Category	TAMU	PSU	PEPP	CSU
Overall Record	4-0	3-1	2-2	0-2
Conference Record	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Points Per Game	60.5	73.0	66.0	39.5
Scoring Margin	+11.8	+15.8	-0.7	-47.5
Rebounds Per Game	42.0	41.8	34.5	37.0
Rebounding Margin	+6.3	+5.5	-7.0	-10.0
FG Percentage	39.5	43.1	38.8	25.5
Field Goal% Defense	29.1	32.7	42.6	48.9
Three-Point FG%	31.9	33.9	32.8	14.3
FT Percentage	63.2	66.0	64.6	56.4
Turnovers Per Game	18.3	18.0	18.0	24.0
Assists Per Game	12.0	15.8	12.3	10.0
Blocks Per Game	5.5	2.8	2.0	2.0
Steals Per Game	10.0	7.0	10.8	5.0

AGGIE SIDEBARS

• During the early signing period, A&M inked its first Californian in nearly two decades. With the emergence of the program on the national scene, more and more out-of-state players have been in-tune to Aggie Basketball. Cierra Windham, a six-foot combination guard/forward out of West Coast powerhouse Norco High School, joins a short list of Aggies hailing from the Golden State including former players Lisa "L.J." Jordon (1986-89) of Ukiah, Calif., Diane DeCree (1989-90) of Pacoima, Calif., and Debbie Lorenzen (1986-88) of Gridley, Calif. Windham, a Corona, Calif., native, was rated the No. 20 overall prospect in the Class of 2009 by Michael White's All-Star Girls Basketball Report. Last year, she averaged 17.4 points per game and set the school single-season record for rebounds with 356 as a junior.

• Texas A&M head coach Gary Blair previously lived in Los Angeles area in the 60's when he was pursuing a career in the restaurant and advertising business. Blair ran a restaurant in Costa Mesa and Culver City after a tour in the U.S. Marine Corps. The restaurant business made him realize he needed to go back and finish school at Texas Tech. Using his G.I. Bill, Blair went on to earn his bachelor's degree in 1972 and later a master's degree in 1974, which eventually propelled his basketball coaching career first in the high school ranks and then on to the college ranks.

• Three distinguished Aggies, Bob Walker '58, Jerry Cox '72 and Jimmy Porter '58, are currently members of Pepperdine University's Board of Regents. Walker and Porter joined the board in 1993 and Cox, past president of the 12th Man Foundation, joined in 1997. Cox holds an honorary doctorate of laws degree from Pepperdine and was recently inducted into the Hall of Honor for his outstanding contributions to Texas A&M Athletics over his lifetime including major contributions and fundraising efforts toward the completion of the new \$26 million Cox-McFerrin Center For Aggie Basketball.

TRADEMARK D

True to form, the Aggie defense is holding opponents to 29.1 percent shooting from the floor and 15.7 percent from beyond the arc. Both percentages are tops in the Big 12 Conference in field-goal percentage defense and three-point field-goal percentage defense through all games played. A&M opponents are averaging just 48.8 points per game which also ranks No. 1 in the league in the scoring defense column.

WELCOME TO THE BIG 12

Four Big 12 Conference teams are either ranked in the top 10 or knocking on the top 10 door in this week's Associated Press Top 25 Poll released on Monday. Texas A&M (3-0) climbed four spots to No. 8 joining the top 10 club of No. 4 Oklahoma (3-1) and No. 6 Baylor (4-0). Similar to football, five Big 12 South schools are currently ranked in the top 25 including No. 11 Texas (5-0) and No. 18 Oklahoma State (2-1). Iowa State (3-0) is tied for the final spot with Xavier giving the league membership a total of six teams among the nation's best. Overall, the Big 12 has nine schools who remain undefeated after week 1 of the college basketball season.



GENERATION NEXT

The Aggies will go up against three women's basketball programs which are under the leadership of a Division I head coach with two years or less experience. Arizona head coach Niya Butts, a former SEC Defensive Player of the Year in 1997, and George Washington head coach Mike Bozeman are in their inaugural coaching campaigns, while Penn State head coach Coquese Washington is in her second season in Happy Valley.

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

The 2008-09 season is not the first time that the Aggies have played away from home for most of the month of November. Rewind to the 1997-98 season when A&M, coached by Candi Harvey, opened up the season at home against No. 10 Vanderbilt on Nov. 18, 1997, and did not return home until Jan. 7, 1998 against Oklahoma State in the second year of the newly-formed Big 12 Conference. The 1997-98 Aggies' 10-game road schedule included competition against several in-state opponents as well as at No. 8 Arizona, UNLV and No. 19 Stephen F. Austin in the Shreveport Shootout in Shreveport, La., Ole Miss and No. 1 Tennessee in the Northern Lights Invitational in Anchorage, Alaska, and at Oklahoma. Last season, A&M went 15-6 (.714) overall in road (7-4) and neutral games (8-2) combined.

THE DISH ON COLSON

Sophomore point guard Sydney Colson (Houston, Texas) is averaging 20.3 minutes per game after recovering from a torn ACL in her right knee in late June. She was released by team doctors for practice and workouts on Nov. 9 which was exactly four months to the date of her surgery on July 9. Last season, she averaged 10.3 minutes per game playing back-up to four-year starting point guard A'Quonesia Franklin who led the Big 12 for four-straight years in assist-to-turnover ratio.

PURE DEFENSE

Last season, the magic number was 68 as the Aggie defense held numerous opponents throughout the season to either their fewest or second-fewest points of the season including NCAA Elite Eight opponent and eventual national champion Tennessee (53), Wichita State (36), Indiana (48), Missouri (39), NCAA Second Round opponent Harvard (39), Michigan (41), New Orleans (44) and Iowa State (46). A&M went on to finish 14th nationally in scoring defense and tops in the Big 12 holding opponents to an average of 54.8 points per game.

AGGIES IN THE NATIONAL POLLS

The Aggies climbed two spots to a program-best No. 5 national ranking in the latest USA TODAY/ESPN Coaches Top 25 Poll released on Tuesday. It marked the Aggies' first-ever top 5 appearance in any national poll during the regular season. A&M's previous school-record high was No. 7 in last week's Coaches Poll. The Aggies have now appeared in the top 10 of the Coaches Poll for four-straight weeks dating back to a No. 8 final national ranking on April 7, 2008. Texas A&M head coach Gary Blair has now led two schools to the top 5. Blair previously coached the 1991-92 NCAA Sweet 16 squad at Stephen F. Austin to a No. 4 national ranking in the final Associated Press Top 25 Poll. A&M also moved up four spots to No. 8 in the latest Associated Press Top 25 Poll on Monday.

WHAT'S BACK

A&M returns nine letterwinners and three starters from last year's NCAA Elite Eight squad that finished a school-record 29-8 overall. Returning All-Big 12 First Team selections Takia Starks (16.3 ppg) and Danielle Gant (14.7 ppg) are the team's top returning players with both in contention for All-America honors this season. Senior center La Toya Micheaux (5.3 rpg), junior forward Damitria Buchanan (2.4 rpg), junior forward Katrina Limbaha, sophomore Sydney Colson (3.2 ppg), sophomore Maryann Baker and senior walk-on Kiley Finstad accounted for 61 percent of A&M's scoring production as well as 56 percent of its work on the boards.

THIS IS HOME

The Aggies have protected their home court well over the last three seasons with an unprecedented 45-4 (.918) overall success rate at Reed Arena. A&M posted a 14-2 mark at the venue a year ago and is currently on a seven-game home court win streak. The Aggies went a school-best 16-0 at Reed Arena during the 2006-07 campaign.

BIG BROTHER, LITTLE SISTER

Texas A&M women's basketball freshman forward Adora Elonu and her big brother, A&M men's basketball junior forward/center Chinemelu Elonu, became only the second known brother-sister combination to ever compete and start for the Aggies at the same time. The Houston natives were both highly-recruited players out of Alief Elsik High School and hail from a family of five children with Nigerian roots. The most famous and memorable Aggie brother-sister combo was former NFL linebacker and second-round draft pick John Roper (1985-87) and All-Southwest Conference Decade Team member and third all-time leading scorer Donna Roper (1986-89) in the late 80's. Ironically, the Ropers were both from the Houston area and attended Jack Yates High School. The Elonus are one of just three current Aggie siblings who are competing for A&M this season. The list includes sisters Natalie and Cydne Currie in women's soccer and brothers Jamie and Terrence McCoy in football.

THE KANSAS CITY CONNECTION

Texas A&M head coach Gary Blair is in his sixth season in Aggieland with one of his deepest lineups which includes the Kansas City connection of Preseason Big 12 Newcomer of the Year Tanisha Smith, a former JUCO All-American from Arkansas-Fort Smith, and preseason Big 12 Freshman of the Year Tyra White, who is a returning redshirt freshman after missing the 2007-08 season with an ACL injury in her first collegiate game at SMU on Nov. 9, 2007. White is a former McDonald's High School All-American out of Hickman Mills High School, while Smith is a former WBCA All-American out of Lincoln College Prep Academy in Kansas City. They are joined by a heralded recruiting class, which ranked 12th nationally and No. 1 in the Big 12, comprised of freshmen Kelsey Assarian, Sydney Carter, Skylar Collins, Adora Elonu and Taniqua Hollis.

NATIONAL POLLS**2008-09 ASSOCIATED PRESS TOP 25 POLL
(as of Nov. 24)**

1. Connecticut (3-0)
2. North Carolina (5-0)
3. California (3-0)
4. Oklahoma (3-1)
5. Stanford (3-1)
6. Baylor (4-0)
7. Louisville (3-0)
8. **Texas A&M (3-0)**
9. Tennessee (3-1)
10. Maryland (3-1)
11. Texas (5-0)
12. Duke (3-1)
13. Rutgers (2-2)
14. Notre Dame (3-0)
15. Auburn (4-0)
16. Virginia (2-1)
17. Vanderbilt (4-1)
18. Oklahoma State (2-1)
19. Purdue (3-0)
20. Ohio State (3-1)
21. Arizona State (2-1)
22. TCU (4-0)
23. Old Dominion (3-1)
24. Michigan State (5-0)
- 25T. Iowa State (3-0)
- 25T. Xavier (2-2)

**2008-09 USA TODAY/ESPN COACHES TOP 25 POLL
(as of Nov. 25)**

1. Connecticut (3-0)
2. North Carolina (5-0)
3. California (3-0)
4. Oklahoma (3-1)
5. **Texas A&M (3-0)**
6. Stanford (3-1)
7. Baylor (4-0)
8. Louisville (3-0)
9. Texas (5-0)
10. Notre Dame (3-0)
11. Rutgers (2-2)
12. Tennessee (3-1)
13. Duke (3-1)
14. Maryland (3-1)
15. Virginia (3-1)
16. Auburn (4-0)
17. Vanderbilt (4-1)
18. Oklahoma State (2-1)
19. Arizona State (2-1)
20. Old Dominion (3-1)
21. Ohio State (3-1)
22. Iowa State (3-0)
23. Purdue (3-0)
24. TCU (4-0)
25. Xavier (2-2)

ARIZONA RECAP

Texas A&M 54, Arizona 44

- For the first time this season, Texas A&M used the starting lineup of Sydney Colson, Takia Starks, Danielle Gant, Adaora Elonu and La Toya Micheaux.
- With the victory, A&M evened the all-time series with Arizona to 2-2 and picked up its first-ever victory on the road in Tucson.
- For the third-straight game, Danielle Gant led the Aggies on the boards with 10 of the team's season-high 48 for the game. It marked the second time that A&M boarded more than 40 in a game this season next to 45 versus Mercer in its opener on Nov. 14. Gant registered her 13th career double-double with a game-high 12 points.
- Freshman reserve point guard Sydney Carter (DeSoto, Texas) scored her first career points as an Aggie on a three-pointer at the 9:05 minute mark of the first half. Carter ended the night with six points in just nine minutes of action with a 3-for-4 performance from the charity stripe.
- A&M is off to a 4-0 start for only the sixth time in school history next to the beginning of the 1977-78, 1989-90, 1993-94, 1994-95 and 2006-07 seasons.
- Freshman forward Kelsey Assarian (Naples, Fla.) recorded a career-high five points in a career-high 17 minutes of action versus the Wildcats.
- The Aggies totaled 10 blocked shots against the Wildcats, which marked the first time since making 10 stops versus Kansas on Feb. 3, 2007.

AGGIE NOTABLE QUOTABLES

"Penn State is another team under a new coaching system in second-year head coach Coquese Washington, who was a great player at Notre Dame. She is one of the new, young coaches in the women's game today and is an excellent recruiter. Coquese just signed a top 10 recruiting class nationally and thank heavens they will not be playing against us this year. We expect it to be a great ballgame against the Lady Lions. They have the size and quickness to match up with us well. It will be our first game at the Pepperdine tournament and hopefully, we will be ready. To get ready, we need to win our game at Arizona first and then we will start thinking about Penn State. We are looking forward to competing in the tournament. To be in Malibu on the beach for Thanksgiving is not a bad deal at all and very good scheduling." – Texas A&M Head Coach Gary Blair on Penn State

"The schedule is good and bad for us. The bad part is, I am not able to get our young kids in and get their feet wet. Every possession has been a game in itself. We have to do a better job of trying to work in some of our freshmen to give them more experience before conference play. It is hard to do play everyone when you are on the road and each game has been close. We played well enough to win against Pitt, Michigan and Arizona on the road, because we made the plays down the stretch and that comes with experience with (Takia) Starks and (Danielle) Gant." – Texas A&M Head Coach Gary Blair on the team's tough six-game road schedule

"We were happy to get a win on the road. Playing on the road is very tough. You have to rebound and defend more. When you have a lot of talent, though, you know how to get the W. We realize we have a lot to work on in practice and we can only get better. Our current situation reminds us of the start of Big 12 play last season. But unlike last year, we have the opportunity to use the preseason to get better and realize what our weaknesses are before conference play begins. Our goal is to go 6-0 on the road and our last two games have been an eye opener for us. We are facing our challenge, but we have to live up to it. As we continue to move up in the polls, we have to play up to that level." – Texas A&M senior center La Toya Micheaux on playing on the road

AGGIES ON THE RADIO

All Texas A&M women's basketball games can be heard via a radio broadcast on the Texas A&M Sports Network. First-year play-by-play announcer Mike Wright will call the action live from Firestone Fieldhouse alongside color analyst and former player Katy Pounds on KZNE 1150 AM. A live audio feed will also be available on www.AggieAthletics.com.

TEXAS A&M WEEKLY SCHEDULE

30	1	2		27	28	29
Travel Day to College Station	Press Conference @ 12:30 p.m. Practice @ 1:00-3:30 p.m.	Game Day at Stephen F. Austin @ 7:30 p.m. (CT) Nacogdoches, Texas		Practice	Game Day vs. Penn State @ 3:00 p.m. (CT) Malibu, Calif.	Game Day vs. Pepperdine or Coppin State @ 3/5:30 p.m. (CT) Malibu, Calif.

ALL-AMERICA CANDIDATES



3 TAKIA STARKS

- 2008-09 Preseason First Team All-America by The Sporting News
- 2008-09 ESPN.com Top Five Two-Guard In The Nation
- 2008-09 John R. Wooden Award Candidate
- 2008-09 Wade Trophy Award Candidate
- 2008-09 Preseason All-Big 12
- 2008 Associated Press All-America Honorable Mention
- 2008 State Farm/WBCA All-America Finalist
- 2008 NCAA Oklahoma City Regional All-Tournament Team
- 2008 John R. Wooden Award Candidate
- 2008 Naismith Trophy Award Candidate
- 2008 Big 12 Most Outstanding Player
- 2008 Big 12 All-Tournament Team
- 2008 All-Big 12 First Team by the league's coaches
- 2008 All-Big 12 First Team by The Dallas Morning News
- Ranks fifth all-time in career scoring (1,464)
- Ranks third all-time in field goals made (588)
- Ranks first all-time in field goals attempted (1,443)
- Ranks fourth all-time in three-pointers made (144)
- Ranks fourth all-time in three-pointers attempted (408)
- 2007 All-Big 12 First Team by the league's coaches

			Total		3-Point				Rebounds									
Year	GP-GS	Min/Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def	Tot	Avg	PF-FO	Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts/Avg	
2005-06	32-27	868/27.1	163-395	.413	31-94	.330	25-33	.758	37-54	91	2.8	62-0	77	58	1	36	382/11.9	
2006-07	32-32	1063/33.2	178-449	.396	47-123	.382	51-75	.680	29-106	135	4.2	68-0	65	84	6	40	454/14.2	
2007-08	36-35	1244/34.6	231-548	.422	65-181	.359	60-89	.674	40-116	156	4.3	84-1	54	94	14	47	587/16.3	
2008-09	4-4	126/31.5	16-51	.314	1-10	.100	8-14	.571	3-15	18	4.5	12-0	5	9	0	5	41/10.3	
TOTAL	104-98	3301/31.7	588-1443	.407	144-408	.353	144-211	.682	109-291	400	3.8	226-1	201	245	21	128	1464/14.1	



#55 DANIELLE GANT

- 2008-09 Preseason Third All-America by Sports Illustrated
- 2008-09 Preseason All-Big 12 Honorable Mention
- 2008 All-Big 12 First Team by league's coaches
- 2008 State Farm All-America Regional Finalist
- Two-Time Big 12 All-Defensive Team (2007 and 2008)
- Two-Time Big 12 Player of the Week selection
- The 17th all-time player to gain entrance into the 500 Rebound Club at A&M
- Ranks ninth all-time in career scoring (1,197)
- Ranks eighth all-time in career field goals made (474)
- Ranks ninth all-time in career free throws made (248)
- Ranks eighth all-time in career steals (198)
- Ranks fifth all-time in career blocks (87)
- Ranks fourth all-time in career rebounds (716)
- Named WBCA National Player of the Month Honorable Mention selection for the month of December 2007
- Texas A&M's NCAA Tournament Single Game Record Holder In Points (24) and Rebounds (14)
- 2007 All-Big 12 Second Team by league's coaches
- 2007 Big 12 Sixth Man Award by league's coaches

			Total		3-Point		FT-FTA		Rebounds									
Year	GP-GS	Min/Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def	Tot	Avg	PF-FO	Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts/Avg	
2005-06	32-4	700/21.9	106-182	.582	0-1	.000	60-83	.723	93-97	190	5.9	41-0	39	32	16	46	272/8.5	
2006-07	32-15	928/29.0	135-238	.567	0-0	.000	77-102	.755	101-133	234	7.3	74-1	63	67	30	64	347/10.8	
2007-08	36-36	1185/32.9	212-401	.529	1-3	.333	104-130	.800	139-118	257	7.1	88-3	74	89	35	81	529/14.7	
2008-09	4-4	134/33.5	21-44	.477	0-0	.000	7-10	.700	16-19	35	8.8	10-0	8	3	6	7	49/12.3	
TOTAL	104-59	2947/28.3	474-865	.548	1-4	.250	248-325	.763	349-367	716	6.9	213-4	184	191	87	198	1197/11.5	

2008 | 09 SEASON RESULTS

Overall Record | 4-0 | Big 12 Record | 0-0 |
Home | 1-0 | Away | 2-0 | Neutral | 1-0 |

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTENDANCE	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/14/08	MERCER	W, 73-45	3,459	(13) White, Tyra	(8) Elonu, Adaora
11/16/08	vs. (#23) Pittsburgh	W, 56-50	7,954	(13) White, Tyra	(13) Gant, Danielle
11/20/08	at Michigan	W, 59-56	1,125	(16) Gant, Danielle	(8) Gant, Danielle
11/25/08	at Arizona	W, 54-44	1,604	(12) Gant, Danielle	(10) Gant, Danielle
11/28/08	vs. Penn State				
11/29/08	vs. Pepperdine or Coppin State				
12/2/08	at Stephen F. Austin				
12/7/08	SMU				
12/13/08	TEXAS STATE				
12/21/08	TCU				
12/30/08	NEW MEXICO				
1/3/09	GEORGE WASHINGTON				
1/5/09	at Florida State				
1/10/09	at Missouri*				
1/13/09	TEXAS TECH*				
1/18/09	at Oklahoma*				
1/21/09	BAYLOR*				
1/24/09	at Oklahoma State*				
1/28/09	at Texas*				
1/31/09	KANSAS*				
2/4/09	at Iowa State*				
2/8/09	NEBRASKA*				
2/11/09	at Texas Tech*				
2/14/09	COLORADO*				
2/21/09	TEXAS*				
2/23/09	OKLAHOMA*				
3/1/09	at Kansas State*				
3/5/09	OKLAHOMA STATE*				
3/7/09	at Baylor*				

KEY

! State Farm Women's Tip-Off Classic (Baton Rouge, La.)

* Big 12 Conference Game

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	1	3,459	3,459
AWAY	2	2,729	1,364
NEUTRAL	1	7,954	7,954
TOTALS	4	14,142	3,536

2008 | 09 SEASON STATISTICS

Overall Record | 4-0 | Big 12 Record | 0-0 |
Home | 1-0 | Away | 2-0 | Neutral | 1-0 |

##	Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		FT-FTA	Pct	----REBOUNDS----				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct			Off	Def	Tot	Avg								
55	Gant, Danielle.....	4-4	134 33.5	21-44	.477	0-0	.000	7-10	.700	16	19	35	8.8	10	0	8	3	6	7	49	12.3
03	Starks, Takia.....	4-4	126 31.5	16-51	.314	1-10	.100	8-14	.571	3	15	18	4.5	12	0	5	9	0	5	41	10.3
20	White, Tyra.....	4-1	72 18.0	14-36	.389	7-19	.368	5-7	.714	7	10	17	4.3	7	0	2	6	3	4	40	10.0
21	Elonu, Adaora.....	4-3	88 22.0	14-33	.424	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	7	19	26	6.5	9	0	4	7	3	7	28	7.0
51	Colson, Sydney.....	4-2	81 20.3	7-18	.389	4-10	.400	4-6	.667	0	4	4	1.0	10	0	13	9	0	6	22	5.5
22	Smith, Tanisha.....	3-2	56 18.7	5-11	.455	2-4	.500	2-2	1.000	6	5	11	3.7	3	0	7	5	2	2	14	4.7
12	Micheaux, La Toya..	4-4	91 22.8	3-8	.375	0-0	.000	6-8	.750	7	11	18	4.5	13	0	4	10	5	6	12	3.0
02	Buchanan, Damitria..	4-0	59 14.8	4-12	.333	0-0	.000	4-5	.800	5	5	10	2.5	7	0	2	5	2	1	12	3.0
40	Assarian, Kelsey...	3-0	39 13.0	4-10	.400	0-0	.000	1-5	.200	2	1	3	1.0	9	1	0	7	1	0	9	3.0
04	Carter, Sydney.....	3-0	10 3.3	1-1	1.000	1-1	1.000	3-4	.750	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	3	0	0	6	2.0
15	Baker, Maryann.....	4-0	15 3.8	2-3	.667	0-1	.000	1-3	.333	2	1	3	0.8	3	0	0	2	0	1	5	1.3
25	Collins, Skylar....	4-0	16 4.0	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	1	0	1	0.3	3	0	2	2	0	1	3	0.8
23	Hollis, Taniqua....	1-0	4 4.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	1.0
44	Limbaha, Katrina...	1-0	8 8.0	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
01	Finstad, Kiley.....	1-0	1 1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM.....											11	7	18	4.5	0		2				
Total.....		4	800	92-233	.395	15-47	.319	43-68	.632	67	101	168	42.0	88	1	48	73	22	40	242	60.5
Opponents.....		4	800	55-189	.291	8-51	.157	77-102	.755	51	92	143	35.8	70	-	24	91	15	23	195	48.8

TEAM STATISTICS

	TAMU	OPP
SCORING.....	242	195
Points per game.....	60.5	48.8
Scoring margin.....	+11.8	-
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	92-233	55-189
Field goal pct.....	.395	.291
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	15-47	8-51
3-point FG pct.....	.319	.157
3-pt FG made per game.	3.8	2.0
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	43-68	77-102
Free throw pct.....	.632	.755
F-Throws made per game	10.8	19.3
REBOUNDS.....	168	143
Rebounds per game....	42.0	35.8
Rebounding margin....	+6.3	-
ASSISTS.....	48	24
Assists per game.....	12.0	6.0
TURNOVERS.....	73	91
Turnovers per game....	18.3	22.8
Turnover margin.....	+4.5	-
Assist/turnover ratio..	0.7	0.3
STEALS.....	40	23
Steals per game.....	10.0	5.8
BLOCKS.....	22	15
Blocks per game.....	5.5	3.8
ATTENDANCE.....	3459	10683
Home games-Avg/Game...	1-3459	2-1364
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	1-7954

SCORE BY PERIODS:

	1st	2nd	Total
Texas A&M.....	116	126	- 242
Opponents.....	93	102	- 195

STARTING LINEUPS

	PG	G	G/F	F	C
MERCER	Starks	Smith	Gant	Elonu	Micheaux
vs. Pittsburgh	Gant	Starks	Smith	Elonu	Micheaux
at Michigan	Colson	Starks	White	Gant	Micheaux
at Arizona	Colson	Starks	Gant	Elonu	Micheaux

2008 | 09 SEASON STATISTICS

| POINTS-REBOUNDS-ASSISTS |

Opponent	Date	Score	WL	01 FINSTAD, K	02 BUCHANAN, TA	03 STARKS, TA	04 CARTER, SY	12 MICHEAUX, BAKER, MAR	15 WHITE, TYR	20 ELONU, ADA	21 SMITH, TAN	22
MERCER	11/14/08	73-45	W	0- 0- 0	2- 5- 1	9- 4- 2	0- 0- 0	4- 5- 3	5- 2- 0	13- 5- 0	8- 8- 3	9- 5- 2
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	56-50	W	DNP	0- 0- 0	9- 4- 1	0- 0- 0	6- 4- 1	0- 0- 0	13- 3- 1	2- 8- 1	5- 3- 3
at Michigan	11/20/08	59-56	W	DNP	6- 0- 0	13- 3- 1	DNP	0- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	12- 6- 1	10- 6- 0	DNP
at Arizona	11/25/08	54-44	W	DNP	4- 5- 1	10- 7- 1	6- 1- 1	2- 5- 0	0- 1- 0	2- 3- 0	8- 4- 0	0- 3- 2

Opponent	Date	Score	WL	23 HOLLIS, TA	25 COLLINS, S	40 ASSARIAN, LIMBAHA, K	44 COLSON, SY	51 GANT, DANI	55
MERCER	11/14/08	73-45	W	1- 1- 0	3- 0- 2	4- 2- 0	0- 2- 0	3- 0- 4	12- 4- 3
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	56-50	W	DNP	0- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	DNP	12- 1- 3	9-13- 2
at Michigan	11/20/08	59-56	W	DNP	0- 1- 0	DNP	DNP	2- 1- 4	16- 8- 2
at Arizona	11/25/08	54-44	W	DNP	0- 0- 0	5- 1- 0	DNP	5- 2- 2	12-10- 1

| TEAM GAME-BY-GAME |

Opponent	Date	Score	W/L	---TOTAL---		--3-PTRS--		----REBOUNDS----										Pts---Avg	
MERCER	11/14/08	73-45	W	FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	A	TO	Blk	Stl	73 73.0
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	56-50	W	19-52	.365	6-16	.375	12-22	.545	15	27	42	43.5	23	12	20	5	12	56 64.5
at Michigan	11/20/08	59-56	W	21-56	.375	3-16	.188	14-16	.875	11	22	33	40.0	21	8	11	1	10	59 62.7
at Arizona	11/25/08	54-44	W	22-62	.355	2-6	.333	8-11	.727	22	26	48	42.0	21	8	20	10	3	54 60.5
Texas A&M		242		92-233	.395	15-47	.319	43-68	.632	67	101	168	42.0	88	48	73	22	40	242 60.5
Opponents		195		55-189	.291	8-51	.157	77-102	.755	51	92	143	35.8	70	24	91	15	23	195 48.8

2008 | 09 SEASON SUPERLATIVES

TEXAS A&M INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

Points..... 16 by Danielle Gant at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Made..... 6 by Danielle Gant at Michigan (11/20/08),
 6 by Danielle Gant vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goal Att.....16 by Takia Starks at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FG Pct (min 5 made).....
750 (6-8) by Danielle Gant vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3PT FG Made..... 3 by Tyra White vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 3PT FG Att.....8 by Tyra White at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3PT FG Pct (min 2 made).....
667 (2-3) by Tyra White vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Made.....
5 by Takia Starks vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 Free Throw Att.....8 by Takia Starks vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FT Pct (min 3 made).....
1.000 (4-4) by Danielle Gant at Michigan (11/20/08)
 1.000 (4-4) by La Toya Micheaux vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds.....13 by Danielle Gant vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 Assists..... 4 by Sydney Colson at Michigan (11/20/08)
4 by Sydney Colson vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Steals 5 by La Toya Micheaux vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 Blocked Shots 3 by Danielle Gant at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Turnovers..... 4 (three times)
 Fouls 5 by Kelsey Assarian vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

TEXAS A&M TEAM HIGHS

POINTS.....73 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 FIELD GOALS MADE.....30 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS.....63 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE.....
476 (30-63) vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3PT FIELD GOALS MADE..... 6 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 3PT FG ATTEMPTS.....16 at Michigan (11/20/08),
16 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 3 PT FG PERCENTAGE......444 (4-9) vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 FREE THROWS MADE.....14 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FREE THROW ATTEMPTS.....22 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FREE THROW PERCENTAGE.....
875 (14-16) at Michigan (11/20/08)
 REBOUNDS 48 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 ASSISTS 20 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 STEALS 15 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 BLOCKED SHOTS 10 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 TURNOVERS.....22 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 FOULS 23 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
23 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

TEXAS A&M TEAM LOWS

POINTS..... 54 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 FIELD GOALS MADE.....19 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS.....52 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE.....
355 (22-62) at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3PT FIELD GOALS MADE..... 3 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3PT FG ATTEMPTS.....9 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3PT FG PERCENTAGE......188 (3-16) at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FREE THROWS MADE 8 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 FREE THROW ATTEMPTS 11 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 FREE THROW PERCENTAGE.....
474 (9-19) vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 REBOUNDS 33 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 ASSISTS 8 at Arizona (11/25/08),
8 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 STEALS 10 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 BLOCKED SHOTS 1 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 TURNOVERS.....11 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FOULS 21 at Arizona (11/25/08)
21 at Michigan (11/20/08)

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL HIGHS

Points..... 23 by Shavonte Zellous vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 Field Goals Made.....5 (three players)
 Field Goal Att.....
16 by Shavonte Zellous vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FG Pct (min 5 made).....
500 (5-10) by Jessica Minnfield at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3PT FG Made.....
 3 by Shavonte Zellous vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 3PT FG Att..... 10 by Carly Benson at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3PT FG Pct (min 2 made).....
429 (3-7) by Shavonte Zellous vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 Free Throws Made.....
14 by Shavonte Zellous vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 Free Throw Att.....
16 by Shavonte Zellous vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FT Pct (min 3 made).....
1.000 (6-6) by Courtney Boylan at Michigan (11/20/08)
1.000 (4-4) by Courtney Hall vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 1.000 (4-4) by Karen Hickman vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
1.000 (3-3) by Jessica Minnfield at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Rebounds.....10 by Amina Njonkou at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Assists..... 5 by Jessica Minnfield at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Steals 3 by Sally Skeldon vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocked Shots 3 by Ify Ibekwe at Arizona (11/25/08),
3 by TaShera Lewis vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Turnovers..... 8 by Jessica Minnfield at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Fouls 5 by Xenia Stewart vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08),
 5 by Sally Skeldon vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

OPPONENT TEAM HIGHS

POINTS.....56 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FIELD GOALS MADE.....18 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS.....50 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE.....
360 (18-50) at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3PT FIELD GOALS MADE 4 at Michigan (11/20/08),
4 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 3PT FG ATTEMPTS.....25 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3PT FG PERCENTAGE......308 (4-13) vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FREE THROWS MADE 22 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FREE THROW ATTEMPTS 30 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FREE THROW PERCENTAGE.....
870 (20-23) at Arizona (11/25/08)
 REBOUNDS 39 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 ASSISTS 10 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 STEALS 10 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 BLOCKED SHOTS 5 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08),
5 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 TURNOVERS.....29 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 FOULS 22 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)

OPPONENT TEAM LOWS

POINTS..... 44 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 FIELD GOALS MADE.....12 at Arizona (11/25/08),
12 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS.....43 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 FG PERCENTAGE 245 (12-49) at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3PT FIELD GOALS MADE 0 at Arizona (11/25/08),
0 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3PT FG ATTEMPTS..... 5 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3PT FG PERCENTAGE......000 (0-5) at Arizona (11/25/08),
000 (0-8) vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 FREE THROWS MADE 16 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FREE THROW ATTEMPTS 21 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FT PERCENTAGE......679 (19-28) vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 REBOUNDS 32 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 ASSISTS 3 vs. Pittsburgh (11/16/08)
 STEALS 1 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 BLOCKED SHOTS 1 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 TURNOVERS.....18 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 FOULS 14 at Michigan (11/20/08)

LAST TIME BY A TEXAS A&M PLAYER

30 POINTS.....
 30 by Jaynetta Saunders vs. Oklahoma State (2/13/01)
 25 POINTS.....
 29 by Takia Starks vs. Texas Tech (2/17/07)
 20 REBOUNDS
 21 by Michell Tatum vs. Baylor (2/06/85)
 15 REBOUNDS
 15 by Ashlaa Horton at SMU (11/9/07)
 15 FIELD GOALS MADE.....
 16 by Lori Foreman vs. Texas Woman's University (2/8/80)
 20 FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED.....
 21 by Takia Starks at Texas Tech (2/2/08)
 10 THREE-POINTERS MADE.....
 None
 10 THREE-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED.....
 11 by A'Quonesia Franklin vs. Texas (2/28/07)
 15 FREE THROWS MADE.....
 15 by Lisa Langston vs. Houston (2/27/85)
 15 FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED.....
 19 by Yvonne Hill vs. Saint Peter's (12/30/89)
 10 ASSISTS.....
 10 by A'Quonesia Franklin vs. Texas (2/9/08)
 10 STEALS
 10 by Pat Werner vs. Trinity Lutheran (3/2/78)
 5 BLOCKS
 5 by La Toya Micheaux vs. Texas Tech (2/21/07)

LAST TIME BY TEXAS A&M

100 POINTS.....
 109 vs. McNeese State (11/21/06)
 40 FIELD GOALS MADE
 44 vs. McNeese State (11/21/06)
 70 FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED.....
 71 at Colorado (1/16/08)
 10 THREE-POINT FIELD GOALS MADE
 11 vs. Mercer (11/16/06)
 20 THREE-POINT FIELD GOALS ATTEMPTED.....
 21 vs. Oklahoma State (3/15/08)
 20 FREE THROWS MADE.....
 22 vs Oklahoma (3/6/08)
 40 FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED
 40 vs. New Orleans (12/9/07)
 50 REBOUNDS
 50 vs. McNeese State (11/21/06)
 30 ASSISTS
 33 vs. McNeese State (11/21/06)
 20 STEALS
 21 vs. Prairie View A&M (11/15/07)
 10 BLOCKS
 10 at Arizona (11/25/08)

LAST TIME BY AN OPPONENT PLAYER

40 POINTS.....
 41 by Danielle Crockrum, Baylor (1/20/01)
 25 POINTS.....
 26 by Candace Parker, Tennessee (4/1/08)
 20 REBOUNDS
 20 by Courtney Paris, Oklahoma (1/27/07)
 10 ASSISTS
 10 by Shaquina Mosley, Kansas (2/3/07)
 5 BLOCKS
 6 by Danielle Wilson, Baylor (3/1/08)

LAST TIME BY AN OPPONENT

100 POINTS.....
 105 vs. Tennessee (12/19/98)

2008|09 BOX SCORES

GAME #1

#11/10 Texas A&M 73, Mercer 45
Reed Arena • College Station, Texas
November 14, 2008

MERCER (0-1)

##	Player	3PT			REB			F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T									
05	N. Doh*	4-15	0-2	7-11	3-5-8	3	15	1	4	1	1	33		
10	T. Lewis*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	0	0	0	3	3	2	14		
20	S. Skeldon*	5-14	0-0	4-8	2-3-5	5	14	0	1	1	3	38		
22	R. Owens*	1-6	0-4	0-1	0-0-0	3	2	1	7	0	1	21		
31	C. Hall*	1-2	0-0	4-4	2-5-7	1	6	1	5	0	0	23		
11	K. Hickman	0-2	0-1	4-4	1-1-2	4	4	1	3	0	1	21		
12	C. Bedingfield	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2		
21	M. Lewis	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	2	0	0	1	0	1	10		
23	E. Keller	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	1	1	0	0	13		
24	C. Swindle	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
25	N. Leonard	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4		
34	R. Davis	2-3	0-1	0-0	0-2-2	3	4	1	3	0	1	20		
TEAM		1-4-5												
TOTALS		13-43	0-8	19-28	10-22-32	21	45	6	29	5	10	200		

	1ST HALF	2ND HALF	GAME
TOTAL FG%	25.0	34.8	30.2
3PT FG%	0.0	0.0	0.0
FT%	62.5	70.0	67.9
DEADBALL REBOUNDS	3	0	3

TEXAS A&M (1-0)

##	Player	3PT			REB			F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T									
03	T. Starks*	4-11	0-1	1-3	0-4-4	3	9	2	3	0	3	29		
12	L. Micheaux*	0-1	0-0	4-4	3-2-5	3	4	3	2	1	0	19		
21	A. Elonu*	4-10	0-1	0-0	3-5-8	0	8	3	3	1	3	21		
22	T. Smith*	4-8	1-2	0-0	2-3-5	2	9	2	3	1	0	24		
55	D. Gant*	6-8	0-0	0-0	3-1-4	1	12	3	0	1	3	23		
01	K. Finstad	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1		
02	D. Buchanan	1-5	0-0	0-0	3-2-5	2	2	1	1	0	1	15		
04	S. Carter	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1		
15	M. Baker	2-2	0-0	1-3	1-1-2	1	5	0	0	0	1	8		
20	T. White	5-8	2-3	1-2	1-4-5	2	13	0	1	2	3	14		
23	T. Hollis	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-1-1	1	1	0	2	0	0	4		
25	S. Collins	1-3	0-1	1-2	0-0-0	2	3	2	1	0	0	10		
40	K. Assarian	2-3	0-0	0-3	1-1-2	5	4	0	3	0	0	15		
44	K. Limbaha	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-2-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	8		
51	S. Colson	1-2	1-1	0-0	0-0-0	0	3	4	0	0	1	8		
TEAM		0-2-2												
TOTALS		30-63	4-9	9-19	19-26-45	23	73	20	22	6	15	200		

	1ST HALF	2ND HALF	GAME
TOTAL FG%	48.6	46.2	47.6
3PT FG%	33.3	66.7	44.4
FT%	42.9	50.0	47.4
DEADBALL REBOUNDS	2	0	2

Officials: Scott Yarbrough, Gator Parrish and Laurie Porter

Technical fouls: Mercer-None. Texas A&M-None.

Attendance: 3,459

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
Mercer	15	30	45
Texas A&M	41	32	73

COLLEGE STATION, Texas – In its season opener, No. 10 Texas A&M was too much for Mercer with a 73-45 rout before a crowd of 3,387 fans at Reed Arena.

The Aggies went on a 26-5 run through the first 12 minutes of the contest as Mercer turned over the ball 19 times in the first half alone. A&M took advantage of a 41-15 lead at halftime. It marked the fourth-fewest points scored by an A&M opponent in a half.

Preseason Big 12 Conference Freshman of the Year Tyra White registered a team-high 13 points as the Aggies cleared the bench with all but three players contributing to the final score. Senior All-America candidate Danielle Gant was the only other player to score in doubles figures with 12 to catapult her into the top 10 all-time in career scoring at A&M.

Senior All-America candidate Takia Starks and preseason Big 12 Newcomer of the Year Tanisha Smith added nine apiece, while freshman Adaora Elonu was the team's leading rebounder with eight boards to go along with eight points in her official Aggie debut.

Mercer (0-1) made a comeback in the second half by improving their shooting from the floor to 34.8 percent which resulted in 30 of the team's final 45 points. The Bears were led by Oklahoma State senior transfer Natasha Doh who registered a game-high 15 points.

GAME #2

#11/10 Texas A&M 56, #23 Pittsburgh 50
Pete Maravich Assembly Center • Baton Rouge, La.
November 16, 2008

PITTSBURGH (0-1)

##	Player	3PT			REB			F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T									
33	X. Stewart*	2-6	0-1	1-2	3-3-6	5	5	1	1	0	0	36		
40	S. Wilson*	3-6	0-0	2-2	5-4-9	2	8	0	3	2	0	33		
01	S. Zellous*	3-16	3-7	14-16	1-3-4	4	23	0	6	2	2	32		
14	J. Sims*	0-3	0-0	2-2	0-0-0	0	2	1	0	0	0	5		
25	S. Scott*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2-2	1	0	0	3	0	0	19		
02	S. Sallard	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	1	0	0	5		
10	T. Harrison	4-13	1-4	3-8	1-4-5	4	12	1	7	0	2	38		
22	C. Cole	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	0	0	0	1	1	1	15		
24	S. Ogoke	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	3	0	0	0	0	0	5		
50	K. Popovc	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-5-5	2	0	0	0	0	0	12		
TEAM		3-1-4												
TOTALS		12-47	4-13	22-30	14-23-37	22	50	3	22	5	5	200		

	1ST HALF	2ND HALF	GAME
TOTAL FG%	30.4	20.8	25.5
3PT FG%	50.0	22.2	38.0
FT%	75.0	72.2	73.3
DEADBALL REBOUNDS	2	0	2

TEXAS A&M (2-0)

##	Player	3PT			REB			F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T									
21	A. Elonu*	1-6	0-0	0-0	0-8-8	3	2	1	1	1	1	21		
12	L. Micheaux*	2-4	0-0	2-3	3-1-4	4	6	1	4	2	5	34		
03	T. Starks*	2-10	0-3	5-8	0-4-4	3	9	1	4	0	0	33		
22	T. Smith*	1-1	1-1	2-2	1-2-3	1	5	3	0	0	1	22		
55	D. Gant	4-10	0-0	1-4	7-6-13	4	9	2	1	2	2	34		
02	D. Buchanan	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5		
04	S. Carter	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0+		
15	M. Baker	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
20	T. White	4-11	3-7	2-3	1-2-3	2	13	1	3	0	1	19		
25	S. Collins	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2		
40	K. Assarian	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	2	0	0	7		
51	S. Colson	5-8	2-4	0-2	0-1-1	4	12	3	4	0	2	22		
TEAM		3-3-6												
TOTALS		19-52	6-16	12-22	15-27-42	23	56	12	20	5	12	200		

	1ST HALF	2ND HALF	GAME
TOTAL FG%	34.6	38.5	36.5
3PT FG%	37.5	37.5	37.5
FT%	50.0	55.6	54.5
DEADBALL REBOUNDS	5	0	5

Officials: Eric Brewton, Tina Napier and Wesley Dean

Technical fouls: Pittsburgh-None. Texas A&M-None.

Attendance: 7,954

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
Pittsburgh	25	25	50
Texas A&M	23	33	56

BATON ROUGE, La. – No. 10 Texas A&M improved to 2-0 on the season with a 56-50 victory over No. 23 Pittsburgh in its first-ever appearance in the State Farm Women's Tip-Off Classic at the Pete Maravich Assembly Center.

After a slow start by both teams, sophomore point guard Sydney Colson came off the bench to spark the Aggie offense scoring seven-straight points including a three to put A&M ahead, 21-20, with 1:24 to go in the first half. Colson, who is coming off surgery on a torn ACL in June, ended the night with 12 points, three assists and two steals in 22 minutes of play.

Pitt's top returning player Shavonte Zellous had two quick fouls in under two minutes of the ballgame, but scored 23 points to lead the Panthers (0-1). She went 3-for-16 from the floor, but was 14-for-16 from the free throw line.

Preseason Big 12 Conference Freshman of the Year Tyra White led the Aggies in the scoring column for the second-straight game with a team-high 13 including back-to-back three-pointers with under eight minutes remaining that stretched A&M's lead out to as many as nine.

The Aggies outrebounded Pitt, 42-37, behind the board work of senior All-America candidate Danielle Gant who had a game-high 13 along with nine points which was just short of a double-double. The win also marked A&M's fourth all-time win over a nationally-ranked opponent in non-conference play.

GAME #3

#12/7 Texas A&M 59, Michigan 56
Crisler Arena • Ann Arbor, Mich.
November 20, 2008

TEXAS A&M (3-0)

##	Player	3PT			REB			F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T									
12	L. Micheaux*	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-3-4	2	0	0	0	0	1	17		
03	T. Starks*	5-16	1-6	2-3	1-2-3	3	13	1	1	0	2	36		
20	T. White*	4-14	2-8	2-2	3-3-6	2	12	1	0	1	0	30		
51	S. Colson*	0-3	0-2	2-2	0-1-1	4	2	4	3	0	2	28		
55	D. Gant*	6-13	0-0	4-4	3-5-8	4	16	2	0	0	2	37		
02	D. Buchanan	1-2	0-0	4-5	0-0-0	3	6	0	1	0	0	20		
15	M. Baker	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	5	0	2	0	0	4		
21	A. Elonu	5-7	0-0	0-0	1-5-6	2	10	0	2	0	2	25		
25	S. Collins	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	0	0	0	1	0	1	3		
TEAM		1-3-4												
TOTALS		21-56	3-16	14-16	11-22-33	21	59	8	11	1	10	200		

	1ST HALF	2ND HALF	
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GAME #4

#8/5 Texas A&M 54, Arizona 44

McKale Center • Tucson, Ariz.

November 25, 2008

TEXAS A&M (4-0)

##	Player	3PT			REB			F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T									
03	T. Starks*	5-14	0-0	0-0	2-5-7	3	10	1	1	0	0	28		
12	L. Micheaux*	1-3	0-0	0-1	0-5-5	4	2	0	4	2	0	21		
21	A. Elonu*	4-10	0-0	0-0	3-1-4	4	8	0	1	1	1	21		
51	S. Colson*	1-5	1-3	2-2	0-2-2	2	5	2	2	0	1	23		
55	D. Gant*	5-13	0-0	2-2	3-7-10	1	12	1	2	3	0	40		
02	D. Buchanan	2-4	0-0	0-0	2-3-5	2	4	1	2	2	0	19		
04	S. Carter	1-1	1-1	3-4	0-1-1	0	6	1	2	0	0	9		
15	M. Baker	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2		
20	T. White	1-3	0-1	0-0	2-1-3	1	2	0	2	0	0	9		
22	T. Smith	0-2	0-1	0-0	3-0-3	0	0	2	2	1	1	10		
25	S. Collins	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
40	K. Assarian	2-7	0-0	1-2	1-0-1	3	5	0	2	1	0	17		
TEAM		5-1-6												
TOTALS		22-62	2-6	8-11	22-26-48	21	54	8	20	10	3	200		

	1ST HALF	2ND HALF	GAME
TOTAL FG%	35.3	35.7	35.5
3PT FG%	25.0	50.0	33.3
FT%	50.0	77.8	72.7
DEADBALL REBOUNDS	0	0	0

ARIZONA (3-2)

##	Player	3PT			REB			F	TP	A	TO	B	S	MIN
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T									
03	I. Ibekwe*	1-6	0-0	4-5	4-5-9	2	6	0	3	3	2	37		
05	J. McDonald*	3-9	0-1	3-3	0-1-1	2	9	0	2	0	2	31		
11	A. Frazier*	1-10	0-1	2-2	0-3-3	2	4	4	10	0	2	40		
25	R. Thomas*	4-13	0-2	2-3	1-3-4	4	10	0	5	1	0	33		
32	A. Njonkou*	1-7	0-0	7-8	6-4-10	2	9	1	0	0	1	32		
44	B. Bofia	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-3-3	0	0	0	1	0	0	11		
54	A. Butler	2-4	0-1	2-2	0-0-0	1	6	0	1	0	0	16		
TEAM		3-2-5												

TOTALS 12-49 0-5 20-23 14-21-35 13 44 5 22 4 7 200

	1ST HALF	2ND HALF	GAME
TOTAL FG%	21.7	26.9	24.5
3PT FG%	0.0	0.0	0.0
FT%	92.9	77.8	87.0
DEADBALL REBOUNDS	0	0	0

Officials: Bob Scofield, Penny Davis and Brian Hall

Technical fouls: Texas A&M-None. Arizona-None.

Attendance: 1,604

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
Texas A&M	26	28	54
Arizona	23	21	44

TUCSON, Ariz. – Senior All-America candidate Danielle Gant turned in her first double-double of the season with a game-high 12 points and 10 rebounds as No. 5 Texas A&M held off Arizona, 54-44, at Lute and Bobbi Olson Court at the McKale Center.

Gant's double-double was the 13th of her career, while A&M set a program milestone with its first-ever road victory in the all-time series versus Arizona (3-2) in Tucson. The win also catapulted the Aggies to one of their best starts in school history with an unblemished 4-0 record which includes three consecutive victories on the road.

After a 9-4 run by Arizona in the opening minutes of the game, A&M stepped up its defensive pressure and took the Wildcats deep into the shot clock on their possessions. Freshman reserve Sydney Carter knocked down a three-pointer at the 9:05 minute mark to relinquish the lead, 13-11, and the Aggies never trailed again.

A&M held Arizona to a season-low 24.5 percent (12-of-49) shooting from the floor, but the Wildcats were able to stay in the ballgame by going nearly perfect from the free throw line making 20-of-23 charity attempts including 13 of their 23 first-half points with a 92.9 percent accuracy rate.

In the second half of play, the Aggies pushed the lead out to as many as 13 points as Carter hit the front end of a one-and-one from the free throw line. A&M led most of the second half by double digits, but Arizona got within four with a jumper by Reiko Thomas with under two and a half minutes to go, 48-44. A&M remained composed as Gant and Carter combined for A&M's 6-0 scoring run in the final stretch to hold off the Wildcats' last second-attempt at an upset.

Senior All-America candidate Takia Starks was the only other A&M player in double figures with 10 points and a season-high seven rebounds, despite a sprained ankle in the first half

PLAYER PROFILES



#40 KELSEY ASSARIAN

Freshman • F • 6-1 • Naples, Fla. (Naples HS)

Pronounced us-AIR-ian

- Has seen action in three games of the season averaging 13.0 minutes on the court.
- Scored career-high 5 points in career-high 17 minutes.
- Rated the No. 54 overall prospect and the eighth-best power forward in the Class of 2008 by the All-Star Girls Basketball Report.
- Led Barron Collier High School to the Class 5A state championship as a senior.
- Originally from Grapevine, Texas.
- Moved to Florida in the eighth grade.
- Biomedical sciences major at Texas A&M. Would like to become a doctor or physician's assistant in the future.

ASSARIAN'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		---REBOUNDS---													
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
MERCER	11/14/08		15	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	1	1	2	2.0	5	1	0	3	0	0	4	4.0
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08		7	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	1.0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	2.0
at Arizona	11/25/08		17	2-7	.286	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	1	0	1	1.0	3	0	0	2	1	0	5	3.0
Totals.....		0	39	4-10	.400	0-0	.000	1-5	.200	2	1	3	1.0	9	1	0	7	1	0	9	3.0

ASSARIAN'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 5 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Field Goals Made: 2 at Arizona (11/25/08),
 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 7 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: None
 Blocks: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 17 at Arizona (11/25/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 5 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Field Goals Made: 2 at Arizona (11/25/08),
 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 7 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: None
 Blocks: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 17 at Arizona (11/25/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#15 MARYANN BAKER

Sophomore • G • 5-10 • Dallas, Texas
(Bishop Lynch HS)

- Has played in all four games of the season averaging 1.3 points and 0.8 rebounds per game.
- Tied a career-high with five points against Mercer in the team's season opener on 11/14/08.
- Hails from an athletic family. Father played college basketball on the NCAA Division III level at Clark University. Her brother, Ben, is a senior third baseman at Texas Tech.
- Sport management major at Texas A&M.
- Was named after her two aunts, Mary and Ann.

BAKER'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		---REBOUNDS---													
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
MERCER	11/14/08		8	2-2	1.000	0-0	.000	1-3	.333	1	1	2	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	1	5	5.0
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08		1	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.5
at Michigan	11/20/08		4	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.7	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	1.7
at Arizona	11/25/08		2	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.3
Totals.....		0	15	2-3	.667	0-1	.000	1-3	.333	2	1	3	0.8	3	0	0	2	0	1	5	1.3

BAKER'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 5 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Made: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Free Throws Made: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: None
 Blocks: None
 Steals: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Minutes: 8 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points:
 5 vs. Mercer (11/14/08), vs. Stephen F. Austin (1/3/08)
 Field Goals Made: 2 (three times)
 Field Goals Attempted: 5 vs. Wichita State (11/22/07)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 1 vs. Missouri (3/12/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1, six times
 Free Throws Made: 3 vs. Stephen F. Austin (1/3/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 4 vs. Stephen F. Austin (1/3/08)
 Rebounds: 3 vs. Wichita State (11/22/07)
 Assists: 1 vs. Stephen F. Austin (1/3/08), at TCU (12/2/07)
 Blocks: 1 vs. UTSA (3/22/08)
 Steals: 2 at Nebraska (1/23/08)
 Minutes: 10 vs. UTSA (3/22/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#2 DAMITRIA BUCHANAN

Junior • F • 6-2 • Houston, Texas (Jones HS)

Pronounced DAY-me-tree-uh

- Has played in all four games of the season averaging 3.0 points and 2.5 rebounds per game.
- Tied a career-high in free throws made (4) at Michigan on 11/20/08.
- Psychology major at Texas A&M with career aspirations of becoming a child psychologist or a school counselor.
- Off the court, she is a classically trained pianist with 11 years of experience.

BUCHANAN'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		---REBOUNDS---													
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
MERCER	11/14/08	15	1-5	.200	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3	2	5	5.0	2	0	1	1	0	1	2	2.0	
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	5	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	2.5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1.0	
at Michigan	11/20/08	20	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	4-5	.800	0	0	0	1.7	3	0	0	1	0	0	6	2.7	
at Arizona	11/25/08	19	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	3	5	2.5	2	0	1	2	2	0	4	3.0	
Totals.....		0	59	4-12	.333	0-0	.000	4-5	.800	5	5	10	2.5	7	0	2	5	2	1	12	3.0

BUCHANAN'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 6 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Made: 2 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 5 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 4 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 5 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Rebounds: 5 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: 2 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Steals: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Minutes: 20 at Michigan (11/20/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 9 vs. Mercer (11/16/06)
 Field Goals Made: 3, five times
 Field Goals Attempted: 7 vs. Wichita State (11/22/07)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 4 (three times)
 Free Throws Attempted: 9 vs. New Orleans (12/9/07)
 Rebounds: 9 vs. Oklahoma State (3/15/08)
 Assists: 2 vs. McNeese State (11/21/06)
 Blocks: 3, three times
 Steals: 3 vs. Oklahoma (3/6/08)
 Minutes: 22 at George Washington (12/20/07)

PLAYER PROFILES



#4 SYDNEY CARTER

Freshman • G • 5-6 • DeSoto, Texas (DeSoto HS)

- Has seen action in three games of the season.
- Scored her first career point on a three-pointer at Arizona on 11/25/08. Ended the game with a career-high six points going 3-for-4 from the free throw line.
- Suffered a sprained ankle during preseason workouts.
- Rated the No. 63 overall prospect and the 10th-best point guard in the Class of 2008 by the All-Star Girls Basketball Report.
- General studies major at Texas A&M. Plans to attend medical school after graduation.
- Hopes to follow in the same footsteps as former A&M All-American Lisa Branch (1993-96) who was also a product of DeSoto High School.

CARTER'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---									
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl
MERCER	11/14/08	1		0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	0		0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona	11/25/08	9		1-1	1.000	1-1	1.000	3-4	.750	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	2	0	0
Totals.....		0	10	1-1	1.000	1-1	1.000	3-4	.750	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	3	0	0

CARTER'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 6 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Field Goals Made: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Free Throws Made: 3 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 4 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Rebounds: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Assists: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Blocks: None
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 9 at Arizona (11/25/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 6 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Field Goals Made: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Free Throws Made: 3 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 4 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Rebounds: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Assists: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Blocks: None
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 9 at Arizona (11/25/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#25 SKYLAR COLLINS

Freshman • G • 5-9 • Cedar Hill, Texas
(Cedar Hill HS)

- Has played in all four games of the season averaging 0.8 points and 0.3 rebounds per game.
- Rated the No. 44 overall prospect and the sixth-best shooting guard in the Class of 2008 by the All-Star Girls Basketball Report.
- Goes by the nickname, Sky.
- General studies major at Texas A&M.
- Member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

COLLINS' GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		---REBOUNDS---										PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg												
MERCER	11/14/08	10	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	3	3.0				
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	2	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.5				
at Michigan	11/20/08	3	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.3	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1.0					
at Arizona	11/25/08	1	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.8					
Totals.....		0	16	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	1	0	1	0.3	3	0	2	2	0	1	3	0.8				

COLLINS' SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Made: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted:
 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Made: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds: 1 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Assists: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: None
 Steals: 1 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Minutes: 10 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Made: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Made: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds: 1 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Assists: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: None
 Steals: 1 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Minutes: 10 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#51 SYDNEY COLSON

Sophomore • G • 5-8 • Houston, Texas
(Westside HS)

- 2008-09 Team Captain
- Has played in all three games of the season averaging 5.5 points and 3.3 assists per game.
- Provided the spark in the Aggies' 56-50 victory over No. 23 Pittsburgh with 12 points off the bench in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic on 11/16/08.
- Saw a career-high 28 minutes of action at Michigan on 11/20/08.
- Recovering from surgery performed on July 9 to correct a torn anterior cruciate ligament in her right knee which she injured in late June.
- Was released by the team's physician to participate in workouts and practice on November 9, four months to the day of her ACL surgery.
- Member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Aggie Athletes Involved.

COLSON'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---		---REBOUNDS---												
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
MERCER	11/14/08		8	1-2	.500	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	4	0	0	1	3	3.0
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08		22	5-8	.625	2-4	.500	0-2	.000	0	1	1	0.5	4	0	3	4	0	2	12	7.5
at Michigan	11/20/08	*	28	0-3	.000	0-2	.000	2-2	1.000	0	1	1	0.7	4	0	4	3	0	2	2	5.7
at Arizona	11/25/08	*	23	1-5	.200	1-3	.333	2-2	1.000	0	2	2	1.0	2	0	2	2	0	1	5	5.5
Totals.....		2	81	7-18	.389	4-10	.400	4-6	.667	0	4	4	1.0	10	0	13	9	0	6	22	5.5

COLSON'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 12 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Field Goals Made: 5 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 8 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 2 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 4 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Free Throws Made:
 2 at Arizona (11/25/08), at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Free Throws Attempted:
 2 at Arizona (11/25/08), at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Rebounds: 2 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Assists: 4 at Michigan (11/20/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: None
 Steals: 2 at Michigan (11/20/08), vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Minutes: 28 at Michigan (11/20/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 13 at SMU (11/9/07)
 Field Goals Made: 5 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Field Goals Attempted:
 9 vs. Prairie View A&M (11/15/07), at SMU (11/9/07)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 3 at SMU (11/9/07)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 7 at SMU (11/9/07)
 Free Throws Made: 5 vs. Prairie View A&M (11/15/07)
 Free Throws Attempted:
 6 vs. Prairie View A&M (11/15/07)
 Rebounds: 6 vs. Wichita State (11/22/07)
 Assists: 6 vs. New Orleans (12/9/07)
 Blocks: 1, four times
 Steals: 5 vs. Wichita State (11/22/07)
 Minutes: 28 at Michigan (11/20/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#21 ADAORA ELONU

Freshman • F • 6-1 • Houston, Texas
(Alief Elsik HS)

Pronounced uh-DOOR-uh EE-lawn-ew

- Earned Big 12 Freshman of the Week honors on Nov. 24.
- The only true freshman on the team to earn a spot in the starting lineup this season.
- Has played in all four games of the season with three starts averaging 7.0 points and 6.5 rebounds per game.
- Made her first career start in the team's season opener versus Mercer on 11/14/08.
- Recorded a career-high 10 points at Michigan on 11/20/08.
- Rated the No. 49 overall prospect and the sixth-best power forward in the Class of 2008 by the All-Star Girls Basketball Report.
- Is the younger sister of Texas A&M junior men's basketball forward/center Chinemelu Elonu. They become only the second known brother-sister combo in A&M history.

ELONU'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---		---REBOUNDS---												
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
MERCER	11/14/08	*	21	4-10	.400	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	3	5	8	8.0	0	0	3	3	1	3	8	8.0
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	*	21	1-6	.167	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	8	8	8.0	3	0	1	1	1	1	2	5.0
at Michigan	11/20/08		25	5-7	.714	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	5	6	7.3	2	0	0	2	0	2	10	6.7
at Arizona	11/25/08	*	21	4-10	.400	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3	1	4	6.5	4	0	0	1	1	1	8	7.0
Totals.....		3	88	14-33	.424	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	7	19	26	6.5	9	0	4	7	3	7	28	7.0

ELONU'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 10 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Made: 5 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Attempted:
 10 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Made: None
 Free Throws Attempted: None
 Rebounds: 8 vs. Pitt (11/16/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: 1 (three times)
 Steals: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Minutes: 25 at Michigan (11/20/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 10 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Made: 5 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Attempted:
 10 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Made: None
 Free Throws Attempted: None
 Rebounds: 8 vs. Pitt (11/16/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: 1 (three times)
 Steals: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Minutes: 25 at Michigan (11/20/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#1 KILEY FINSTAD

Senior • G • 5-9 • Cranfills Gap, Texas
(Meridian HS)

- Saw action in the team's season opener versus Mercer on 11/14/08.
- Former walk-on and practice player for the Aggies.
- Prior to Texas A&M, played two seasons of basketball at Redlands Community College in El Reno, Okla.
- Exercise science major at Texas A&M.
- Her career aspiration is to train Olympic athletes.

FINSTAD'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---									
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl
MERCER	11/14/08	1		0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Totals.....		0	1	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0

FINSTAD'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: None
 Field Goals Made: None
 Field Goals Attempted: None
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: None
 Free Throws Attempted: None
 Rebounds: None
 Assists: None
 Blocks: None
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: None
 Field Goals Made: None
 Field Goals Attempted: 1, four times
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: None
 Free Throws Attempted: None
 Rebounds: None
 Assists: None
 Blocks: None
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 3 vs. UTSA (3/22/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#55 DANIELLE GANT

Senior • G/F • 5-11 • Oklahoma City, Okla.
(Putnam City West HS)

ALL-AMERICA CANDIDATE

- 2008-09 Team Captain
- 2008-09 Preseason All-Big 12 Honorable Mention
- Tabbed 2008-09 Preseason Third Team All-American by Sports Illustrated
- Has played in all four games of the season averaging 12.3 points and 8.8 rebounds per game.
- Turned in her 13th career double-double with a game-high 12 points and 10 rebounds at Arizona on 11/25/08.
- Registered a game-high 16 points along with eight rebounds at Michigan on 11/20/08.
- 2008 Academic Momentum Award recipient.
- Leadership major at Texas A&M with aspirations of playing professionally in the WNBA someday.

GANT'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		---REBOUNDS---											PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg													
MERCER	11/14/08	*	23	6-8	.750	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	3	1	4	4.0	1	0	3	0	1	3	12	12.0					
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	*	34	4-10	.400	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	7	6	13	8.5	4	0	2	1	2	2	9	10.5					
at Michigan	11/20/08	*	37	6-13	.462	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	3	5	8	8.3	4	0	2	0	0	2	16	12.3					
at Arizona	11/25/08	*	40	5-13	.385	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	3	7	10	8.8	1	0	1	2	3	0	12	12.3					
Totals.....		4	134	21-44	.477	0-0	.000	7-10	.700	16	19	35	8.8	10	0	8	3	6	7	49	12.3					

GANT'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 16 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Made:
 6 at Michigan (11/20/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted:
 13 at Arizona (11/25/08), at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 4 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 4 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Rebounds: 13 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Assists: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: 3 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Steals: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Minutes: 40 at Arizona (11/25/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 28 vs. New Orleans (12/9/07)
 Field Goals Made:
 11 at Colorado (1/16/08), at Washington (12/6/06)
 Field Goals Attempted: 18 vs. Iowa State (2/20/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 1 at GWU (12/20/07)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1, four times
 Free Throws Made: 10 vs. North Carolina A&T (12/30/07)
 Free Throws Attempted:
 11 vs. Kansas State (1/9/08), UT-Arlington (3/17/07)
 Rebounds: 16 vs. Nebraska (3/8/06)
 Assists: 7, three times
 Blocks: 4 vs. Cal State Northridge (11/25/05)
 Steals: 6 at Kansas (1/26/08), vs. SFA (1/3/08)
 Minutes: 40 (three times)

PLAYER PROFILES



#23 TANIQUA HOLLIS

Freshman • G • 5-6 • Anton, Texas (Anton HS)

Pronounced Ton-EE-kwah HALL-us

- Made her collegiate debut in the team's season opener versus Mercer on 11/14/08 and scored her first career point as an Aggie.
- Led Anton High School to the regional finals in 2008. Previously played two years at Sudan High School, before playing her final two seasons at Anton.
- Averaged 26 points, eight rebounds, eight steals, six assists and three blocks per game as a senior.
- Tabbed TABC and TGCA All-State as a sophomore and TABC All-Region as a senior.
- General studies major at Texas A&M. Looks to attend medical school after graduation.

HOLLIS' GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---									
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl
MERCER	11/14/08		4	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	0	2	0	0
Totals.....		0	4	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	0	2	0	0

HOLLIS' SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Made: None
 Field Goals Attempted: None
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: None
 Blocks: None
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 4 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Made: None
 Field Goals Attempted: None
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds: 1 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: None
 Blocks: None
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 4 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#44 KATRINA LIMBAHA

Junior • F • 6-3 • Riga, Latvia
(Fort Worth Lake Country Christian HS)

Pronounced Lim-BAH-ha

- Saw eight minutes of action in the team's season opener versus Mercer on 11/14/08.
- Academic All-Big 12 First Team selection in 2007-08.
- Her father and maternal grandmother played basketball professionally and were members of Latvia's junior national team.
- Her host family, John and Michal Dedwyler, are both A&M graduates.
- International business major at Texas A&M.

LIMBAHA'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---									
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl
MERCER	11/14/08		8	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....		0	8	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	0

LIMBAHA'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: None
 Field Goals Made: None
 Field Goals Attempted: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: None
 Free Throws Attempted: None
 Rebounds: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: None
 Blocks: None
 Steals: None
 Minutes: 8 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 12 vs. Delaware State (12/20/06)
 Field Goals Made: 6 vs. Delaware State (12/20/06)
 Field Goals Attempted: 9 vs. Delaware State (12/20/06)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 1 vs. Indiana (11/24/07)
 Free Throws Made: 3 vs. Sam Houston State (12/29/06)
 Free Throws Attempted: 8 vs. Sam Houston St. (12/29/06)
 Rebounds: 5 vs. Sam Houston State (12/29/06),
 vs. Delaware State (12/20/06)
 Assists: 2 vs. Delaware State (12/20/06)
 Blocks: 3 vs. Wichita State (11/22/07),
 vs. Western Illinois (1/2/07)
 Steals:
 2 vs. Indiana (11/24/07), vs. Sam Houston St. (12/29/06)
 Minutes: 23 vs. Delaware State (12/20/06)

PLAYER PROFILES



#12 LA TOYA MICHEAUX

Senior • C • 6-3 • Missouri City, Texas
(Hightower HS)

Pronounced MEE-shaw

- Has started and played in all four games of the season averaging 3.0 points and 4.5 rebounds per game.
- Saw 34 minutes of action against No. 23 Pittsburgh turning in six points, five steals and four rebounds in the State Farm Tip-Off Classic on 11/16/08.
- Ranks eighth all-time in career rebounds (609).
- Her father, Larry "Mr. Mean" Micheaux, was a member of the famed Phi Slama Jama at the University of Houston in the 80's and played alongside Clyde Drexler and Hakeem "The Dream" Olajuwon.
- Nickname is "Miss Mean" which she has written on her basketball shoes.
- Graduated in just three years with a bachelor's degree in sport management in August of 2008. Pursing a master's degree in education and human resource development at Texas A&M.

MICHEAUX'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---												
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
MERCER	11/14/08	*	19	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	3	2	5	5.0	3	0	3	2	1	0	4	4.0	
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	*	34	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	2-3	.667	3	1	4	4.5	4	0	1	4	2	5	6	5.0	
at Michigan	11/20/08	*	17	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	3	4	4.3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	3.3	
at Arizona	11/25/08	*	21	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	0	5	5	4.5	4	0	0	4	2	0	2	3.0	
Totals.....		4	91	3-8	.375	0-0	.000	6-8	.750	7	11	18	4.5	13	0	4	10	5	6	12	3.0	

MICHEAUX'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 6 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Field Goals Made: 2 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 4 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 4 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 4 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Rebounds:
 5 at Michigan (11/25/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: 2 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Steals: 5 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Minutes: 34 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 15 vs. Prairie View A&M (11/15/07),
 vs. Oklahoma State (1/30/07)
 Field Goals Made: 7 vs. Western Illinois (1/2/07)
 Field Goals Attempted: 14 vs. Western Illinois (1/2/07)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: None
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: None
 Free Throws Made: 9 vs. Prairie View A&M (11/15/07),
 vs. Oklahoma State (1/30/07)
 Free Throws Attempted: 12 vs. Oklahoma State (1/30/07)
 Rebounds: 14 at Texas Tech (2/2/08)
 Assists: 6 vs. Nebraska (1/24/07)
 Blocks: 5 vs. Texas Tech (2/21/07)
 Steals: 6 vs. UTSA (3/22/08)
 Minutes: 40 at Oklahoma (1/27/07)

PLAYER PROFILES



#22 TANISHA SMITH

Junior • G/F • 6-0 • Kansas City, Mo.
(Lincoln Prep/Arkansas-Fort Smith)

- Tabbed 2008-09 Preseason Big 12 Conference Newcomer of the Year by the league's head coaches.
- Has played and started in two games this season. Made her Aggie debut in the team's season opener versus Mercer on 11/14/08. Scored nine points and brought down five rebounds in 24 minutes on the court.
- Did not travel to Michigan due to tonsillitis.
- Spent one season at the University of Arkansas prior to transferring to the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith.
- Named an NJCAA All-American and led UA-Fort Smith to a third-place finish at the NJCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship in 2008.
- Averaged 18.2 points, 5.2 rebounds and 2.9 assists per game while also leading the Lady Lions with 104 steals and 71 three-pointers in 36 games played.

SMITH'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		---REBOUNDS---												PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg														
MERCER	11/14/08	*	24	4-8	.500	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	2	3	5	5.0	2	0	2	3	1	0	9	9.0						
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	*	22	1-1	1.000	1-1	1.000	2-2	1.000	1	2	3	4.0	1	0	3	0	0	1	5	7.0						
at Arizona	11/25/08		10	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	3	0	3	3.7	0	0	2	2	1	1	0	4.7						
Totals.....		2	56	5-11	.455	2-4	.500	2-2	1.000	6	5	11	3.7	3	0	7	5	2	2	14	4.7						

SMITH'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 9 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Made: 4 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 8 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made:
 1 vs. Pitt (11/16/08), Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Made: 2 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 2 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Rebounds: 5 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: 3 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Blocks: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Steals: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Minutes: 24 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 9 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Made: 4 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 8 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made:
 1 vs. Pitt (11/16/08), Mercer (11/14/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Free Throws Made: 2 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 2 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Rebounds: 5 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Assists: 3 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Blocks: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Steals: 1 at Arizona (11/25/08), vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Minutes: 24 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)

PLAYER PROFILES



#3 TAKIA STARKS

Senior • G • 5-8 • Houston, Texas (Westfield HS)

ALL-AMERICA CANDIDATE

- Tabbed a 2008-09 Preseason First Team All-American by The Sporting News
- Has played and started in all four games of the season averaging 10.3 points and 4.5 rebounds per game.
- 2008-09 ESPN.com Top Five Two-Guard In The Nation
- 2008-09 John R. Wooden Award Candidate
- 2008-09 Wade Trophy Award Candidate
- 2008-09 Preseason All-Big 12 selection
- Team's top returning scorer averaging 16.3 points per game in 2007-08.
- Registered a season-high 13 points in 36 minutes of play at Michigan on 11/20/08.
- Cousin is former NBA star John Starks who played for the New York Knicks.

STARKS' GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		----REBOUNDS----										PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg												
MERCER	11/14/08	*	29	4-11	.364	0-1	.000	1-3	.333	0	4	4	4.0	3	0	2	3	0	3	9	9.0				
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08	*	33	2-10	.200	0-3	.000	5-8	.625	0	4	4	4.0	3	0	1	4	0	0	9	9.0				
at Michigan	11/20/08	*	36	5-16	.313	1-6	.167	2-3	.667	1	2	3	3.7	3	0	1	1	0	2	13	10.3				
at Arizona	11/25/08	*	28	5-14	.357	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2	5	7	4.5	3	0	1	1	0	0	10	10.3				
Totals.....		4	126	16-51	.314	1-10	.100	8-14	.571	3	15	18	4.5	12	0	5	9	0	5	41	10.3				

STARKS' SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 13 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Made:
 5 at Arizona (11/25/08), at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 16 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 1 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 6 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Free Throws Made: 5 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 8 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Rebounds: 7 at Arizona (11/25/08)
 Assists: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Blocks: None
 Steals: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Minutes: 36 at Michigan (11/20/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 29 vs. Texas Tech (2/17/08)
 Field Goals Made: 12 vs. Texas Tech (2/17/08),
 vs. Florida State (12/6/07)
 Field Goals Attempted: 22 vs. Missouri (1/29/08),
 at Colorado (1/16/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 5 at Iowa State (2/14/07)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 10 vs. TCU (3/19/06)
 Free Throws Made: 8 vs. Oklahoma (3/6/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 11 vs. Oklahoma (3/6/08)
 Rebounds: 11, three times
 Assists:
 7 vs. Western Illinois (1/2/07), vs. Texas Tech (2/05/06)
 Blocks: 2, four times
 Steals: 4 vs. Duke (3/30/08), vs. Western Illinois (1/2/07)
 Minutes: 40, 12 times

PLAYER PROFILES



#20 TYRA WHITE

RS-Freshman • G • 6-0 • Kansas City, Mo.
(Hickman Mills HS)

- Tabbed as preseason Big 12 Conference Freshman of the Year for the second year in a row by the league's head coaches.
- Honored as Big 12 Freshman of the Week on Nov. 17, 2008, leading Texas A&M to a 2-0 week with a team-leading 13 points versus Mercer and No. 23 Pittsburgh.
- Made one of the best starts by any freshman in the Gary Blair Era by reaching double figures in the first three games of the season.
- Made her first career start as an Aggie at Michigan on 11/20/08 playing a career-high 30 minutes.
- Former McDonald's High School All-American at Hickman Mills High School in Kansas City.
- Had surgery in December of 2007 to heal a torn anterior cruciate ligament in her right knee. Suffered season-ending injury in four minutes of play in team's season opener at SMU on Nov. 9, 2007.

WHITE'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Date	GS	Min	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---			---REBOUNDS---									
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl
MERCER	11/14/08		14	5-8	.625	2-3	.667	1-2	.500	1	4	5	5.0	2	0	0	1	2	3
vs Pittsburgh	11/16/08		19	4-11	.364	3-7	.429	2-3	.667	1	2	3	4.0	2	0	1	3	0	1
at Michigan	11/20/08 *		30	4-14	.286	2-8	.250	2-2	1.000	3	3	6	4.7	2	0	1	0	1	0
at Arizona	11/25/08		9	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	2	1	3	4.3	1	0	0	2	0	0
Totals.....		1	72	14-36	.389	7-19	.368	5-7	.714	7	10	17	4.3	7	0	2	6	3	4

WHITE'S SUPERLATIVES

SEASON HIGHS

Points: 13 vs. Mercer (11/14/08), vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Field Goals Made: 5 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 14 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 3 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 8 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Free Throws Made:
 2 at Michigan (11/20/08), vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 3 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Rebounds: 6 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Assists: 1 vs. Pitt (11/16/08), at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Blocks: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Steals: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Minutes: 30 at Michigan (11/20/08)

CAREER HIGHS

Points: 13 vs. Mercer (11/14/08), vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Field Goals Made: 5 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Field Goals Attempted: 14 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Made: 3 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 3-Point Field Goals Attempted: 8 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Free Throws Made:
 2 at Michigan (11/20/08), vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Free Throws Attempted: 3 vs. Pitt (11/16/08)
 Rebounds: 6 at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Assists: 1 vs. Pitt (11/16/08), at Michigan (11/20/08)
 Blocks: 2 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Steals: 3 vs. Mercer (11/14/08)
 Minutes: 30 at Michigan (11/20/08)