# **Auburn Soccer Staff**



Haley Myers
Athletic Trainer, ATC

JOINED AUBURN STAFF:

August, 2005

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Serves as the athletic trainer for the soccer program, including the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of all athletic injuries to the soccer players.

**EXPERIENCE:** Came to Auburn after two seasons at Samford as the athletic trainer for soccer. She was a graduate student at Clemson with the track and field team and was a student with the Auburn football team as an undergrad with the Tigers.



### Jeremy Roberts

Director of Team and Event Marketing

**JOINED AU STAFF:** 

October, 1999

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Development and implementation of marketing and promotional plans for all Auburn athletic programs. **EXPERIENCE:** Assistant Director of Marketing, 1999-2003. Served as a Graduate Assistant at Auburn in the marketing and promotions office, 1998-99. Also worked as a student assistant in the Auburn marketing and promotions office 1997-98.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:** Born 10-31-74. Native of Rome, Ga. Married to the former Sarah Smith of Mandeville, La. Daughter Allie was born in May, 2005. Earned B.S. in Health Promotion/Sports Management from Auburn in 1997 and M.S. in Higher Education Administration/Athletic Administration in 1999.



# Kyle Feldman Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach

**JOINED AUBURN STAFF:** 

September, 2000

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Serves as the strength and conditioning coach for the track & field program as well as women's basketball, gym-

nastics, men's and women's tennis, soccer and golf.

**EXPERIENCE:** Came to Auburn after a three-year stint at the University of Washington. Also served as a strength and conditioning coach with the U.S. Army Rangers for one year.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:** A native of Brooklyn, N.Y. received her undergraduate degree from Colorado State in 1992 and her masters from Northern Colorado in 1995.



### **Dan Froehlich**

Associate Director of Media Relations

**JOINED AU STAFF:** 

September 6, 2002

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Assists in the administration of the overall media relations program with special emphasis on soccer and baseball.

**EXPERIENCE:** Worked three seasons at Auburn with the NCAA Champion men's and women's swimming and diving teams as well as volleyball and men's tennis. Came to Auburn after serving as Media Relations Assistant at Kentucky where he worked primarily with the softball and swimming & diving teams during the 2001-02 season. Media Relations/Internet intern with the Colonial Athletic Association conference office in Richmond, Va., in 2000-01. Media Relations intern with the Capital City Bombers, a single-A affiliate of the New York Mets during the summer of 1999.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:** Born 1-25-76. Native of Dix Hill, N.Y. Earned B.A. in journalism with an emphasis in public relations from University of South Carolina in 1999. Member of CoSIDA. Married the former Stephanie Barnett on Aug. 20, 2005.



### **Cathie Helmbold**

Student Academics Counselor

JOINED AUBURN STAFF:

September, 1999

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Serves as the Academic Counselor for the Women's Basketball, Soccer and Women's Golf teams. Additionally, Cathie is the liaison between Camp War Eagle

(Freshmen Orientation) and Student-Athlete Support Services.

**EXPERIENCE:** Has nine years of experience in Division I college athletics working in both the Southeastern and Atlantic Coast Conferences.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:** Is a Nationally Certified Counselor and has graduated twice from Auburn earning a Bachelor's in Psychology and a Master's of Education in Community Agency Counseling.



## **Bob Winch**

**JOINED AUBURN STAFF:** 

August, 2005

**RESPONSIBILITY:** 

Will assist coaches in all facets on and off the field during the 2005 season.

**EXPERIENCE:** 

Served as head coach of the Central Florida men's team from 1993-2004. Led team to three Atlantic Sun Tournament titles and three consecutive seasons with an appearance in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Named 2004 Atlantic-Sun Coach of the Year. **PERSONAL INFORMATION:** A resident of Ovisdo along with his wife Janet and their three children Sara (9), Nicholas (8) and Hayden (7).

## 2005 Season Outlook

The 2005 Tigers were asked to list a word that best describes them on their preseason questionnaire form. Most replied with "determined" or "committed." Opportunity might be the word that best depicts the season, however, as four graduated seniors - all members of the 2004 All-SEC team - leave important holes to fill.

Head coach Karen Hoppa, although realizing the fact that Chrissy Culver, Megan Rivera, Sarah Steinmann and Jenn Walters will not be returning, is optimistic and sees multiple players able to step into those roles.



Ronda Brooks

"With the graduation of the 2004 senior class, we lose a lot of talent," Hoppa said. "Those four seniors will be tough to replace. That being said, we do have a significant amount of talent returning because we only lose a total of four players."

The look of the Tigers will be drastically different as the focus moves to the midfield, a position that has lacked depth in the past few years due to injury.

"I think this team will play a different style than last year," Hoppa said. "We plan on play-making more through the midfield than we did last season. We are very deep and strong in the midfield."

In the midfield will be seniors Jessie Allan, Christie Cigno and Sara Power, juniors Amanda Garcia, Jada Stewart and Jenny Zarzour and freshmen Leah Blayney, Lauren Brabson, Summer Ragsdale and Kimberly Thorington.

Returning starters Cigno, Power, Stewart and Zarzour will be competing with Clemson transfer Garcia and Australian National team member Blayney.

One mainstay at Auburn has been the

defense as senior Ashley Eason and junior All-American Ronda Brooks anchor the back line. The last two seasons, the Tigers led the SEC in fewest goals allowed at 15 in each season.

"We have a great core returning on the back line with Ronda (Brooks) and Ashley (Eason)," stated Hoppa. "Lauren Stewart has stepped up this spring, filling in very well for Jenn Walters and Kori Hoelscher is coming back from and injury and should be one to watch in the backfield. Freshmen Jenn Johnson and Molly Turner are also two people that could challenge for time."

The front line possibly faces the largest loss from graduation as all-region team members Steinmann and Culver will not be returning. It is also a position with a great deal of experience as seniors Courtney Crandell, Jac Schwarz and Ashley Willis will vie for a spot. In addition to the three seniors, junior Kristin Stewart and freshman Kara Kasten will be in the mix.

"What may seem like big shoes to fill with the losses of Culver and Steinmann, the forward position is actually very experienced," Hoppa said. "Schwarz has had three tremendous seasons at forward and may also contribute in the midfield this year. Kristin Stewart was dominant in the spring and will be exciting to watch this fall.

"Willis and Crandell, as seniors, bring speed and strength, respectively, to the position and will carry a lot of the responsibility up front. Also, Kasten has outstanding potential to score goals at the college level."

Up in the air heading into preseason is the goalkeeper position. Sophomore Anna Fiser and redshirt freshman Allison Whitworth will battle to replace four-time All-American Megan Rivera.

"The goalkeeper position is wide open," said Hoppa. "Both Fiser and Whit (Whitworth) had great springs and both are quality division I keepers. This position could be a battle all year. What we do with this spot is determined by them. If one clearly wins the job, she will start. Either way, we are in great shape in goal."

With seven seniors on the team, Hoppa is excited in anticipation of who will step into the leadership role.

"This team has 11 juniors and seniors so we expect to have a lot of leadership from all of them," Hoppa said. "Ronda Brooks really stepped up as a leader last year in the back so we expect her leadership to continue. On the offensive side, Willis and Schwarz, with all of their experience, should provide quality leadership."

Along with the second season of an 11-game SEC schedule, the Tigers have a

challenging non-conference slate in 2005. Auburn opens up on the road at Rice Aug. 26 and then to powerhouse Texas on Aug. 28. Cal State, Rhode Island and South Carolina make up the field in the Auburn/Reebok Classic Sept. 2-4.

Another tough road trip will follow the tournament as Auburn travels to New Mexico for games with the Lobos on Sept. 9 and Arizona State on Sept. 11. On Sept. 16, the Tigers have their final match vs. Miami at home before league play begins on Sept. 23 at South Carolina.

"Our 2005 schedule is a tough one," Hoppa said. "We play some great teams outside the conference. Texas and Arizona State will be exceptionally tough road games. We will also be hosting a tournament for the first time on campus, which will be a great event."

The Tigers will have a tough road schedule in the conference as they travel to Florida (Sept. 25), Ole Miss on Oct. 9, Tennessee on Oct. 21 and at Alabama on Oct. 28.

"The conference schedule this year has us playing the top teams in the league on the road at Florida, Ole Miss, Tennessee and Alabama. I think the SEC will be even stronger as a whole this year and every game is going to be close."

Auburn will try to use those tough non-conference games as building blocks in achieving their goals for the season. The Tigers have finished second in the SEC the past two seasons and would, obviously, covet the chance to re-capture the title.

"We would also like to have some success in the SEC Tournament as we have struggled the last few trips," said Hoppa. "In the NCAA Tournament, we would like to advance past the second round for the first time in history."



Jenny Zarzour



# Player Profiles Jessie Allan · 4-10 · Senior · Midfielder · Crystal Lake, III.



#### **Q&A With Jessie...**

#### **First Concert:**

Dave Matthews at Soldier Field in Chicago

#### **Superstitions:**

No superstitions, but I keep the same routine for warmups and I always say the same prayer during the National Anthem.

#### One Word That Describes You: Space-efficient.

#### What office would you hold in an election?

President because the shortest people are always the most powerful.

#### **Favorite Quote:**

"The most difficult lie I have ever contended with is this: Life is a story about me.

-- Donald Miller, Blue Like Jazz

#### 2004 Junior Season:

Played in 16 games for the Tigers and had three shots including one in the win over Mississippi State, one in the win over Ole Miss and one in the win at LSU...Academic All-SEC team mem-

#### 2003 Sophomore Season:

Played in 15 games for the Tigers...Played both wing forward and outside midfielder for the Tigers...Took a shot in Auburn's 4-0 win over UNLV...Tallied two shots against SEMO in 2-0 victory...Member of Academic All-SEC team.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

Assisted Sara Power in the game-winner against Central Florida in the NCAA first round...Scored three goals and five assists on the season including scores in the UAB, Furman and Evansville games...Assisted on one of Sara Power's goals in a 6-2 win over UMass.

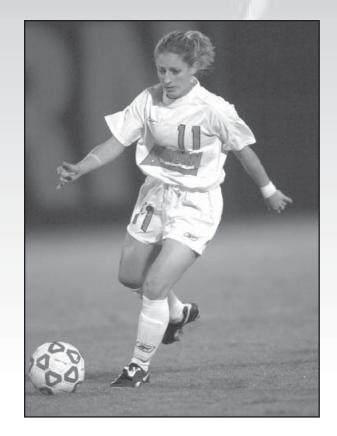
#### **High School:**

Graduate of Prairie Ridge High School...Coached by Dave O'Leary...Was a member of the Campton United club team led by head coach Mike Nesci... Four-time all-conference...Three-time all-area and all-section...Named MVP her senior season... Team captain her junior and senior year...Helped lead team to two State Cup titles in 2001 and

#### Personal:

Daughter of Dick Allan and Rosi Allan...Born Jessica Dianne Allan on March 31, 1984...Father was a wrestler at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale...High School teammate of Arizona State's Amy LePeilbet...Member of Dean's List... human resources management major with a minor in political science...Member of National Society of Collegiate Scholars, National College Athlete Honor Society, Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, Alpha Theta Chi Honor Society, Pi Lambda Sigma Honor Society and Golden Key Honor Society.

Allan's Career Stats							
Year	GP-S	Shots	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG	
2002	22-1	13	3	5	11	0	
2003	15-0	4	0	0	0	0	
2004	16-0	3	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL	53-1	20	3	5	11	0	



## 5-5 · Senior · Midfielder · St. Louis, Mo. · Christie Cigno

#### 2004 Junior Season:

At Auburn...Fourth on the team in goals with four scored...Led the team in game-winning goals with three...Her first two goals were game-winners at Samford and William & Mary...Played in and started all 21 games...Auburn Top Tiger.

#### 2003 Sophomore Season:

At Saint Louis...Named NSCAA Third Team All-Region...Also named to the Conference-USA Second Team...Was second on the team in points with 19 including eight goals and three assists... Named C-USA Offensive Player of Week on Oct. 5.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

At Saint Louis...Named to the C-USA All-Freshman team...Second on the team in points with 22, which was the second-most by a freshman ever at Saint Louis...Named to the Toys for Tots All-Tournament Team...Was eighth in C-USA in goals with nine and eighth in points

#### High School:

Graduated from St. Joseph's High in 2002...Threeyear Regional ODP team member...Was a letterwinner all four years for head coach Maureen McVey at St. Joseph's... Helped lead team to state championships during her freshman, junior and senior seasons...Scored both goals in junior championship game and had a hat trick in senior title game...Named St. Louis Post-Dispatch Player of the Year...Named Krispy Kreme Player of the Year...Was first team All-Metro and All-State as a junior and senior...Played in first-ever McDonald's All-America game...Claimed four state titles and advanced to 2002 nationals with Busch Soccer Club team.

#### Personal:

Michelle Cigno on Jan. 4, 1984, in St. Louis, Mo.... Has one brother Tommy, who played baseball at Southeast Missouri State...Father played baseball at Saint Louis University...Majoring in communication science with a minor in business...Likes to kickbox in her spare time...Says the song "Sunrise" by Norah Jones best describes her because it puts her in a good

#### **Honors and Awards**

At Saint Louis: NSCAA Third Team All-Region

C-USA All-Freshman Team (2002) C-USA Second Team (2003)

C-USA Offensive Player of the Week

#### **Q&A With Christie...**

#### Plans for the summer:

I traveled to California and Miami South Beach and spent the rest of the summer working out hard and successfully completed two classes of summer school.

#### **First Concert:**

Dave Matthews Band

#### **Superstitions:**

I'm not really superstitious, but I do believe that how hard you train in the off-season and on your own when nobody is watching reflects on the type of season you are going to have and how successful you will be as a player.

#### One Word That Describes You:

Intense

Spending time shopping and hanging out with my family and friends. I also love to do kickboxing and spinning classes when I am not playing soccer.

Daughter of Tom and Donna Cigno...Born Christina



#### Cigno's Career Stats (at Saint Louis Univ.)

Year	GP-S	Shots	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG
2002	16-16	34	9	4	22	2
2003	22-22	24	8	3	19	3
2004	21-21	25	4	0	8	3
TOTAL	59-59	83	21	7	49	8

# Player Profiles Courtney Crandell . 5-8 · Senior · Forward · Des Moines, Iowa



#### 2004 Junior Season:

Scored five goals and added three assists on the year...Played in and started all 21 games... Scored the game-winner at Arkansas with just 1:11 remaining in regulation...Scored the gamewinner at Miami.

#### 2003 Sophomore Season:

At Charlotte...Named the Preseason Conference-USA Player of the Year...Led the team with nine goals and added four assists...Tallied a team-best 22 points along with two game-winning goals.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

At Charlotte...NSCAA First Team All-American... First player ever named both Conference-USA Player of the Year and Freshman of the Year in league history...First Team NSCAA All-South Region...Soccer America and Soccer Buzz Freshman All-American... First Team All-C-USA...Named to the C-USA All-Tournament team...Three-time C-USA Offensive Player of the Week...Named to Soccer America Elite Team of the Week and Soccer Buzz Team of the

Week on Oct. 15...Set school and conference records with 21 goals and 50 points on the year.

#### **High School:**

Graduated from Roosevelt High School in 2002... Member of Regional ODP team for three seasons... Named NSCAA All-American during senior season...Gatorade State Player of the Year...Helped lead team to three conference championships.

#### Personal:

Daughter of Mark and Kitty Crandell...Has two brothers Chad (30) and Josh (27)...Born Courtney Cochran Crandell October 17, 1983...Majoring in sociology/criminology...Played on a boys club team for seven years...Also played basketball, golf, swam and ran track in high school.

#### **Q&A With Courtney...**

#### **First Concert:**

Dave Matthews.

#### **Superstitions:**

I always prepare for games the same way every time. I also wear an armband with all the friends that have passed to honor them while I play.

#### **One Word That Describes You:** Resourceful.

What office would you hold in an election?

Head of State.

#### Crandell's Career Stats (at Charlotte) Year GP-S Shots Goals Assts. Pts. **GWG** 8 2002 20-20 68 21 50 7 2003 18-18 48 22 2 21-21 56 5 3 13 3

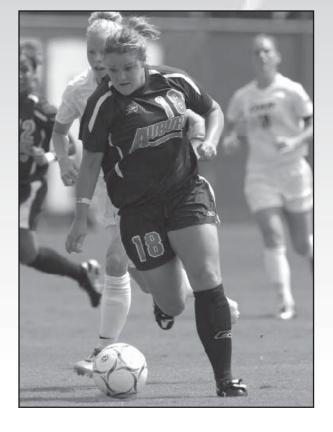
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TOTAL 59-59

# Player Profiles 5-5 · Senior · Defender · Memphis, Tenn. · Ashley Eason

#### 2004 Junior Season:

Started every game for the Tigers in the backfield...Named team Unsung Hero...Helped lead Auburn to eight shutouts during the season... Strong on the back line and helping to hold opponents to an SEC-low 15 goals on the year.

#### 2003 Sophomore Season:

Started all 21 games at defender for the Tigers... Helped lead the defense to a school-record 12 shutouts in 2003...Vital to the Auburn defense which allowed just 15 goals on the season...Came up big when the Tigers moved to a three-back set on defense.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

Awarded Freshman All-America Third Team honors by Soccer Buzz...Started all 22 games for the Tigers on defense and assisted on two goals... Helped lead the team's defense, which allowed a record low 118 shots...Named Auburn's Rookie of the Year.

#### **High School:**

Graduated from Ridgeway High School in Memphis, Tenn....Member of Lady Express 2000 club team...Memphis Futbol Club state champions in 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999...Member of the Under-16 National team in 2000...Member of Ridgeway's Tennessee State Champion team in 1998, 1999 and 2000...MVP of the state championship in 1999...Named Offensive Player of the Year in 1998, 1999 and 2000.

#### Personal:

Daughter of Fred and Karine Eason....Born Ashley Marie Eason on April 5, 1984...Has three siblings Amy (13), Emily (11) and Briley (7)... Majoring in human development and family studies...Uncle Tim Borchy played football at Memphis...Likes to knit and hang out with her friends...The best advice she has received came from teammate Jac Schwarz: "Be yourself and let go of the things you cannot change." and former teammate Chrissy Culver: "Things don't have to be perfect. It is okay to make mistakes."



#### **Honors and Awards**

Soccer Buzz Third Team Freshman All-American Auburn Unsung Hero Award (2004) Auburn Rookie of the Year (2002)

#### **Q&A With Ashley...**

#### **Summer Plans:**

Summer school

#### **First Concert:**

**Amy Grant** 

#### **Superstitions:**

"I have a very particular pregame ritual. Also, my room is text book according to feng shui and I believe it is very bad luck to forget to water your lucky bamboo or, heaven forbid, let it die."

#### One Word That Describes You: Genuine

#### What office would you hold in an election?

"Secretary because I pride myself on my note-taking ability."



Easo	n's Ca	reer S	Stats			
Year	GP-S	Shots	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG
2002	22-22	2	0	2	2	0
2003	21-21	0	0	0	0	0
2004	21-21	0	0	1	1	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	64-64	2	0	3	3	0

# Player Profiles Sara Power . 5-6 · Senior · Midfielder · Annandale, Va.



#### **Honors and Awards**

All-SEC Honorable Mention (2002) SEC Player of the Week

(Oct. 14, 2002), (Oct. 31, 2004) Soccer Buzz Elite Team of the Week (Oct. 14, 2002)

Soccer America Team of the Week (Oct. 14, 2002) 2001 AU Coaches Award

#### Q&A With SK...

#### **Collegiate Highlighs:**

"My double-bounce-off-a-diving-board celebration after scoring against Ole Miss."

#### **First Concert:**

Mariah Carey

#### **Superstitions:**

"I have to listen to 'Like A Prayer' by Madonna and 'Cute Without The E' from Taking Back Sunday before games."

#### One Word That Describes You: Unsouthern.

#### What office would you hold in an election?

MBP -- Most Ballinest Player

#### **Interesting Encounter:**

"Dennis Rodman fell on me when I was a baby. My dad had under-the-basket seats at a Washington Bullets vs. Pistons game. I cried, and Dennis apologized."

#### 2004 Junior Season:

Scored four goals and added two assists on the season...In Auburn's 3-1 win over Alabama, scored the first and second goals...Scored the game-winner against Ole Miss in 2-1 overtime win...Has started 19 games at the midfield and played in all 21...Named SEC Player of the Week Oct. 31.

#### 2003 Season:

Redshirted due to injury.

#### 2002 Sophomore Season:

Named to the All-SEC Honorable Mention team... Scored the game-winner against Central Florida in the NCAA first round...Assisted on Jenny Zarzour's goal against South Carolina in a 1-1 tie...Scored Auburn's first goal against Arkansas in 2-1 double overtime win...Earned SEC Player of the Week as well as Soccer Buzz Elite Team of the Week and Soccer America Team of the Week for her performances against Ole Miss and Mississippi State...Scored both game-winning goals and added another goal and an assist in the two wins over the Mississippi schools...Scored two goals in a 6-2 win over UMass in Amherst... Scored her first goal of the year against No. 17

#### 2001 Freshman Season:

West Virginia.

Played in all 20 matches and started 14... Scored two goals and four assists...Scored her first career goal in the 6-0 victory over Tennessee-Chattanooga...Also scored in Auburn's 3-1 loss at Kentucky...Recorded two assists in Auburn's 3-2 victory over Georgia in the SEC Tournament...Won Auburn's 2001 Coaches' Award.

#### **High School:**

Graduated from Falls Church in 2001... Played midfielder and forward for coach Joseph Okah...Threetime team MVP in 1999, 2000 and 2001...1998 and 1999 National District Player of the Year... Four-time all-district selection...Two-time allregion selection...Helped her team win four straight National District season and tournament titles... Played for coach Hank Leung for the Vista Phoenix club team...Helped her team win three tournament championships, including the FPYC Labor Day Tournament, the Raleigh Shootout and the Orange Classic...Played for the Northern Virginia Majestics in the W-League.

#### Personal:

Born Sara Katherine Power on December 26, 1982... Daughter of Joe and Pam Power... Has one sister, Emily (18)...Her father, Joe wrestled at Auburn... Majoring in communications with a psychology minor...Played high school field hockey and AAU basketball...Says the best advice ever given was "Fall down seven times, get up eight."



#### **Power's Career Stats** Year GP-S **Shots** Goals Assts. Pts. **GWG** 2001 20-14 24 8 0 2002 22-22 38 20 4 2003 DNP-Inj. TOTAL 42-36 10 8 28 4

# Player Profiles 5-3 · Senior · Forward · Muskogee, Okla. · Jac Schwarz

#### 2004 Junior Season:

Played in all 21 games during the season... Assisted on three goals...Assisted on Christie Cigno's game-winning goal at LSU...The win gave Auburn its fourth SEC Western Division title...Totaled 10 shots in those games.

#### 2003 Sophomore Season:

Scored the game-winning goal against Oklahoma State in NCAA Tournament...Assisted on Chrissy Culver's goal against Georgia in SEC Tournament... Assisted on Jada Stewart's goal against LSU...Tallied Auburn's first goal in win over Vanderbilt...Scored Auburn's game-winning goal against Samford in 1-0 win...Assisted on Sarah Steinmann's goal against UNLV...Scored team's second goal in a 2-0 win over SEMO...Assisted on goals in 2-0 wins over Dartmouth and Rice.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

Scored Auburn's game-winning third goal against LSU in 3-2 win... Assisted on Sarah Steinmann's goal against New Mexico in 2-0 win...Tallied two goals against Middle Tennessee and added an assist against South Alabama in the same weekend... Scored her first career goal against UAB in a 3-0 win.

#### High School:

Graduated from Muskogee High School in 2002... Played for coach Curt Denton in high school... Played for coach Keith Eddy on the Tulsa Soccer Club...State Champions seven years...Twice runner-up in regionals...Ranked third in the nation... Former high school teammate Kim Pangburn plays soccer for Oral Roberts University.

#### Personal:

Born Jaqueline Kelli Schwarz on October 31, 1983... Daughter of George and Pam Schwarz...Has one brother, Tyler (18)... Majoring in fashion merchandising...Cousin played baseball at Oklahoma State... Top Tiger...Best advice ever given was "An athlete is a normal person with the gift of undying passion to be the best and achieve greatness" and "With confidence, you have won even before you have started."



#### **Q&A With Jac...**

#### **Summer Plans:**

"I went to Oklahoma to see my brother graduate high school, then came back to Auburn to take classes and work camp. My big summer trip was to Colorado with my family.'

#### First Concert:

**Brooks & Dunn** 

#### **Superstitions:**

"I don't have any, but I have an extreme fear of public speaking."

#### **One Word That Describes You:** Delightful

#### What Office Would You Hold In An Election?

"Secretary -- it is very old Hollywood."

Schwarz's Career Stats							
Year	GP-S	Shots	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG	
2002	22-20	18	5	5	15	2	
2003	21-20	23	4	8	16	2	
2004	21-1	10	0	3	3	0	
TOTAL	64-41	51	9	16	34	4	

# Player Profiles Ashley Willis . 5-1 · Senior · Forward · Winter Haven, Fla.



#### 2004 Junior Season:

Played in all 21 games for the Tigers and started in 15...Earned her first career start vs. Florida... Had 13 shots...Played forward and midfield positions...Named team Most Improved Player.

#### 2003 Sophomore Season:

Played in 18 games for the Tigers in 2003...Added speed off the bench to the Auburn offense.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

Suffered a broken tibia in 2-0 win over New Mexico...Played in 10 games for the Tigers shooting at the goal eight times.

#### High School:

Graduated from Auburndale High School in 2002... Played for coach Jo Morton . . . Regional and state most outstanding defensive player...All-County first team for four years...Senior All-Star...Was voted

most valuable forward all four years...Named to the Florida State Olympic Development Program... Played for Jim Cote on the Blackwatch Club team... Honors graduate...Class president freshman and sophomore year.

#### Personal:

Born Ashley Rene Willis on September 20, 1983... Daughter of Scott Willis and Pam and Jimbo Spivey...Has three brothers, Austin Willis (18), James Spivey (17), and Jonathan Spivey (12)... Father played baseball, track and basketball in college...Major is marketing and is scheduled to graduate in December in three and a half years...Also played softball and ran track...Enjoys going to the beach and the gym...Says her favorite thing about Auburn is athletics because everyone is so supportive and close...Lists the best advice ever received is to "Never let the bad things get you down. Always greet them with a good attitude."

#### **First Concert:**

New Kids On The Block... of course, who else? Their tape was the best ever. For real, I was on the fourth row (thanks Mom and Dad).

#### **Superstitions:**

I am a little superstitious, but for the most part I am not at all. All I do that is a little different is that I have to take a shower before every game. During pregame, I write "Mom" on a piece of tape that I wear around my wrist during the game.

#### One Word That Describes You:

Thecraziestlittlekiduevermet.

#### What office would you hold in an election?

I'm not a big political person, but if I had to hold an office, I would be Secretary of the Interior. I don't know why, other than it sounds like the most fun without having too many responsibilities.

#### Did you know?

I have three crazy, crazy LITTLE brothers, even though they are bigger than me. Austin, James and Jon. My mom is my hero and I have always been her biggest fan. I have the most wonderful step-dad in the world. And, to wrap it up, the best and craziest dad that anyone has ever met.

Willis' Career Stats							
Year	GP-S	Shots	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG	
2002	10-0	8	0	0	0	0	
2003	18-0	1	0	0	0	0	
2004	21-15	13	0	1	1	0	
TOTAL	49-15	22	0	1	1	0	



## 5-6 · Junior · Defender · Marietta, Ga. · Ronda Brooks

#### 2004 Sophomore Season:

Named second team All-American by *Soccer Buzz* and third team by NSCAA...Earned first team All-SEC honors as well as first team all-region honors by *Soccer Buzz* and NSCAA... Anchored the Auburn defense, which allowed just 15 goals in 21 games...Solid defender, who scored a goal and added four assists on the season... Started all 21 contests...Most versatile player for the Tigers as she could play any field position.

#### 2003 Freshman Season:

Earned a spot on the *Soccer Buzz* All-Freshman Southeast Region team...Named to the All-SEC Freshman Team...Second on the team in goals with seven...Was moved to midfield at the start of the season...Scored the game-winning goal in 2-0 win over Arkansas...Scored Auburn's first goal in 2-1 win over Ole Miss...Scored gametying goal with Vanderbilt in 3-2 win...Scored two goals in Auburn's 4-0 win over UNLV... Tallied two goals in collegiate debut at UAB in 3-0 win.

#### High School:

Graduated from Pope High School...Key contributor to three-time high school state championship team...Coached by Jim Haskin... Member of the GSA 85 Phoenix Red Soccer Club coached by Ted Colburn...Helped lead club team to U16 national title as captain...ODP Region III team member...2003 NSCAA/adidas High School All-American...Four-time All-County First Team member...Named 2002 team Most Valuable Player...Played with current Auburn forward Chrissy Culver.

#### Personal:

Born Ronda Ellise Brooks on October 3, 1984... The daughter of Jessica Brooks...Has one brother named Marshall (24)...Says she chose Auburn because it would better her education and wanted to be a part of a team that cared for each other...Lists the best advice ever given as "If you are going to do something, do it whole heartedly." and "finish what you started."...Majoring in geography.



#### **Honors and Awards:**

Soccer Buzz Second Team All-American (2004) NSCAA Third Team All-American (2004) First Team All-SEC (2004) Soccer Buzz All-Region (2004, 2003) NSCAA All-Region (2004) All-SEC Freshman Team (2003)

#### **Q&A With Ronda...**

#### **First Concert:**

Whitney Houston

#### **Superstitions:**

I have to have the same warmup partner (Jada Stewart) and warmup in the same area every game. I also believe that everything that happens, happens for a reason.

#### **One Word That Describes You:** Blunt.

#### What office would you hold in an election?

I wouldn't be in an election, I don't like politics.

#### **Interesting Facts about Ronda:**

Eating and sleeping make me happy!!



Brooks' Career Stats								
Year	GP-S	Shots	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG		
2003	21-21	34	7	1	15	2		
2004	21-21	19	1	4	6	0		
TOTAL	42-42	53	8	5	21	2		

## Amanda Garcia . 5-8 · Junior · Midfielder · Roswell, Ga.



#### 2004 Sophomore Season:

Played in 20 games for the Clemson Tigers and started two at the midfield position...Scored two goals and added an assist.

#### 2003 Freshman Season:

Played in 16 games and started seven...Third on the team in scoring with six goals and two assists...Scored the team's lone goal in a first-round NCAA Tournament loss to Georgia (2-1)... Assisted on the goals in Clemson's upset of No. 9 Duke on Oct. 24.

#### High School:

Graduated from Centennial High School in Roswell, Ga....Member of the Region III ODP team for six years and Georgia State ODP for seven...Named all-county and all-state at Centennial...Helped lead club team GSA Phoenix Red '85, along with Auburn teammate Ronda Brooks, to the U16 National

Championship and a 2002 third place finish... Named to the ESP All-Star Team...Earned four varsity letters in high school.

#### Personal:

Born Amanda Mae Garcia on Nov. 3, 1984...The daughter of Greg and Sheryl Cassity and Michael Garcia...Brothers Adam (19) and Aaron (24)... Majoring in nursing...Played high school soccer with Whitney Briggs of South Carolina... Waitressed at Famous Dave's BBQ during the summer...Hopes someday to start a family of "hopefully all boys" and maintain a secure and successful career...Enjoys listening to all types of music from classical to techno, playing tennis, swimming, watching movies and baseball...Played in an all-boys Classic I soccer league until the age of 14...First concert attended was NSYNC: "I was a hardcore fanatic!!!"...Says the word energetic best describes her...Traveled to Europe on two separate occasions representing USA soccer on a regional and state level.

#### Garcia's Career Stats (at Clemson)

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TOTAL 36-9 46 8 3 19 0	TOTAL	36-9	46	8	3	19	0

### Jada Stewart . 5-2 · Junior · Midfielder · Lilburn, Ga.



#### 2004 Sophomore Season:

Scored two goals and two assists on the year including game-winners vs. Mississippi State and Furman...Played all 21 games for the Tigers moving between midfield and defender...Served as the team's academic captain.

#### 2003 R-Freshman Season:

Scored her first goal of the season in 2-0 win over LSU...Assisted on Chrissy Culver's goal against Kentucky...Collected two assists against UAB in 3-0 win...Started 20 games for the Tigers.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

Redshirted...Played in just four games before being sidelined with a foot injury...Assisted on her sister Kristin's goal against Evansville.

#### High School:

Graduated from Parkview High School in 2002...

J. Stewart's Career Stats GP-S Shots Goals Assts. Pts. **GWG** Year 2002 4-2 2 0 0 1 1 6 2003 21-20 14 4 0 1 2 2 2004 21-5 15 6 2 TOTAL 46-27 31 13 2

Was a defender for coach Mark Albertus... Helped lead team to National Championship... Won their 2002 Regional...Was a scholar athlete all four years...Most valuable defender in 2001 and all-county 2001-2002...High school state champs in 1999...Captain of the AFC Lightning club team, coached by Brian Moore...State champions in 1999-2002...Was an ESP invitee...Helped her team to back-to-back Region Cup semifinalist performances.

#### Personal:

Born Jada Jerusha Stewart on November 21, 1983...Daughter of Wentzel and Joyce Stewart... Has three sisters, Faith (24), Kristin (21) and Lauren (19)...Faith played soccer at Wofford and twin sister Kristin and younger sister Lauren are teammates at Auburn...Major is psychology with a minor is criminology...Hopes to get her Master's in psychology and a PhD in a more specific field...Top Tiger...Member of National Society of Collegiate Scholars, National College Athlete Honor Society, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, Golden Key Honor Society, Greg Pratt Award winner and nominee for CHAMPS/Life Skills Award...Says the first concert she attended was the Larnell Harris gospel show...Says she is not superstitious, but is a faith person...Lists the word that best describes her as Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious.

## 5-3 · Junior · Forward · Lilburn, Ga. · Kristin Stewart

#### 2004 Sophomore Season:

Scored in Auburn's 3-0 win at Kentucky...Had two assists on the year including wins over UAB and at Miami...Played every game at forward during the season...Auburn Top Tiger.

#### 2003 Season:

Redshirted with a knee injury.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

Assisted on Sarah Steinmann's goal against Tennessee in a 4-2 loss...Scored Auburn's second goal unassisted against New Mexico in 2-0 win... Assisted on Chrissy Culver's second goal against UMass in a 6-2 win...Tallied two assists against South Alabama and added one against Middle Tennessee...Scored against No. 17 West Virginia in her collegiate debut...Also scored against Evansville in a 3-1 win...Added six assists on the season.

#### High School:

Graduated from Parkview High School in 2002... Played forward for coach Mark Albertus...Helped lead team to National Championship...Won their 2002 Regional... Offensive MVP in 2000 and 2001...Team captain in 2002...Earned all-county as a senior... National Honor Roll in 2002... Honors Graduate...Who's Who in America 2002...Played for coach Brian Moore on the AFC

Lightning Club team.

#### Personal:

Born Kristin Jehiah Stewart on November 21, 1983... Daughter of Wentzel and Joyce Stewart... Has three sisters, Faith (24), Jada (21), and Lauren (19)...Faith played soccer at Wofford and twin sister Jada and younger sister Lauren are teammates at Auburn...Major is marketing...Says the greatest thing about Auburn is the relationships she has formed with other athletes and students and that it is a place to make life-long friendships...Enjoys playing the guitar, writing music and "sorta singing."...Chose the No. 23 because she is a huge fan of Michael Jordan...Took classes and played her guitar at local pubs and coffee houses in Auburn during the summer...Her first ever concert was last summer when her sisters surprised her with tickets to see Sarah McLachlan.



K. St	ewart	's Car	eer St	ats		
Year	GP-S	Shots	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG
2002	21-1	16	3	6	12	1
2003	DNP-I	nj.				
2004	21-0	9	1	2	4	0
TOTAL	42-1	25	4	8	16	1

### 5-5 · Junior · Midfielder · Huntsville, Ala. · Jenny Zarzour

#### 2004 Sophomore Season:

Assisted on Christie Cigno's game-winning goal at Samford...Had 12 shots on the season...Started all 21 games at the midfield after coming off a knee injury in 2003.

#### 2003 Season:

Redshirted with knee injury.

#### 2002 Freshman Season:

Started all 22 games for the Tigers in 2002 at the midfielder position...Scored Auburn's gamewinning goal against South Alabama...Scored the first goal of her career against UAB...Assisted on Chrissy Culver's goal against Furman.

#### High School:

Graduated from Grissom High School in 2002... Played for coach Gene Preston...2002 Gatorade Player of the Year in Alabama...2002 Lakeshore Shootout Defensive MVP...Port City Classic MVP as a sophomore...All-State, City and Metro first team for four years...2001 All-Metro Player of the Year...Earned the Grissom HS best offensive player award three times...High school team captain as a sophomore, junior and senior...Played for coach Chris Crump on the Rocket City Kicks Club team...Club team captain (1996-2002)...2001

Lakeshore Shootout MVP...Port City Classic MVP...Region III Pool in 1999, 2000 and 2001.

#### Personal:

Born Jennifer LeAnn Zarzour on April 20, 1984... Daughter of Charlie and Jackie Zarzour...Has one sister Kim (Kosek) (24), who played soccer for Alabama...Majoring in secondary English education...Auburn Top Tiger...Also played volleyball and ran track and cross-country...Says her first concert was Alan Jackson...Believes that walking under a ladder, black cats and 13th floors are bad luck...Lists the word committed to describe herself...Would run for school superintendent if ever in an election.



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Year	GP-S	<b>Shots</b>	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG
2002	22-22	27	3	2	8	1
2003	DNP-Ir	ıj.				
2004	21-21	12	0	1	1	0
TOTAL	43-43	39	3	3	9	1

## Anna Fiser . 5-7 · Sophomore · Goalkeeper · Jackson, Miss.



#### 2004 Freshman Season:

Combined for a shutout with teammate Megan Rivera for a 3-0 win over Mississippi State...Will vie for starting goalkeeper position in 2005.

### 2003 Season: Redshirted.

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#### High School:

Played for Dean Joseph at Jackson Academy where she was a four-year all-state player... Member of the ODP state team and was a 2001 Regional pool player...Member of the Jackson Futbol Club coached by Kevin Johns... Helped lead club team to seven Mississippi State Championships.

#### Personal:

Born Anna Gregory Fiser on June 16, 1985... Daughter of Greg and Robin Fiser, which both attended Auburn...Has one sister Robbie (25) and one brother Gray (23)...Majoring in nutrition/dietetics...Member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll and Auburn Top Tiger...Member of National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society and Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society...Enjoys reading, basketball and softball...Was class secretary in high school... Lists Reba McIntyre as her first concert...Wears the same goalkeeper jersey until the team loses...Says that "southern" is the word that best describes her...Loves to fish.

Fiser	's Caı	eer S	tats		21.11
Year	GP-S	GA	GAA	Saves	SO
2004	1-0	0	0.00	0	0
TOTAL	1-0	0	0	0	0

### Lauren Stewart . 5-7 · Sophomore · Defender · Lilburn, Ga.



#### 2004 Freshman Season:

Named to the All-SEC Freshman team...Played in 15 games for the Tigers at both midfield and on defense...Started two of those 15 games and had one shot on goal.

#### **High School:**

Graduated from Parkview...Coached by Mark Albertus and was team captain junior and senior years...Helped lead team to 2003 state championship...2003 MVP...Gwinnett Post 2004 Player of the Year...Member of the 2004 Georgia High School All-Star team...Played for Ted Colburn and the GSA Phoenix Red '86 club team... Captain four years...2000-01 state champions... Member of 1999-2000 ODP state team...Helped team earn a bid to regionals in 2004.

#### Personal:

Daughter of Wentzel and Joyce Stewart...Born March 10, 1986...Sisters Faith (24) and teammates Jada (21) and Kristin (21)...Faith played soccer at Wofford and Lauren joins twin sisters Jada and Kristin at Auburn...Majoring in business marketing administration...Would like to earn a Master's in advertising...Says her first concert was John Mayer...Says she is not superstitious, but counts on and believes in herself and God to perform the best she can...Adds that "I am once again truly blessed to be able to attend Auburn and play soccer with my sisters. I never forget how wonderful it is and how privileged I am!"

Stewart's Career Stats							
Year	GP-S	Shots	Goals	Assts.	Pts.	GWG	
2004	15-2	1	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL	15-2	1	0	0	0	0	

4-11 • Freshman • Midfielder • Wentworth Falls, NSW, Australia • Leah Blayney

#### Before Auburn:

A graduate of Katoomba High School...Member of the Australian National Team the Quantas Matildas...Played for the team in a six-match tour of Asia the summer before coming to Auburn, starting four of those six games...Named an alternate player for Australia in the 2004 Olympic games...Co-vice captain of the Young Matildas in 2004 for the U19 World Championships in Thailand...Standby player for the 2002 FIFA U19 Women's World Championship...Club teams are the NSW Sapphires, NSW Institute of Sport, Macauthor Rams, Wentworthfalls United, Coerver Squad, NSW Metropolitan and NSW Academy...2003-2004 WNSL Champions with the NSW Sapphires...In 2002-03 helped lead her team, the NSW Sapphires, to the WNSL title

game...Won the NSW Women's Super League in 2003 with NSW Academy...2001-2002 WNSL runner-up with the NSW Sapphires...In 2001 and 2003 helped lead the NSW Metropolitan team to the National Youth Championship... Won the National Junior Championship title in 1999-2000 with the NSW Metropolitan team... In 2001, at age 14, scored eight goals in one match with the NSW Academy.

#### Personal:

Born Leah Janine Blayney on July 4, 1986... Daughter of Donna and Glenn Blayney...Plans to major in sports psychology...Enjoys relaxing with friends, going to the movies and beach and listening to music...Also ran cross country, played water polo and basketball.



## 5-4 · R-Freshman · Midfielder · Columbus, Ga. · Lauren Brabson

#### 2004 Freshman Season:

Did not see any action for the Tigers in 2004 as a redshirt freshman...Had a strong spring season for Auburn including assisting on a goal in the win over Vestavia Attack.

#### **High School:**

Graduated from Columbus High School in 2004... Member of the Georgia state ODP 85 Team...Named the Region Player of the Year and to the All-Region team two seasons...Played for David Chadwick of the AFC Lightning '85 White club team...Lettered in track, cross country and soccer...NSCAA/adidas South Region Academic All-American...Governor's Honors Program Semifinalist ...Alpha Scholar and a Star Student.

#### Personal:

Born Lauren Elisabeth Brabson on Sept. 26, 1985...The daughter of Max and Sue Brabson... Has one brother, Christopher (22)...Mother Sue was a gymnast at Georgia College...Majoring in interior design...Hopes to become a successful interior designer, be active in the community and raise a family...Worked for a temp agency, coached soccer camps and traveled to Texas and California during the summer...First concert ever attended was Leann Rimes and Brian White...Says she does not have superstitions, but has a deep faith in God to direct her life in a direction that will most please Him...Lists the words that best describe her as committed and freckled...Auburn Top Tiger...Member of Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society.



# Player Profiles Kori Hoelscher · 5-4 · R-Freshman · Defender · Wellington, Fla.



#### 2004 Season:

Played in one game for the Tigers, but suffered a knee injury and was awarded a medical redshirt.

#### **High School:**

Graduate of Wellington High School...Member of Florida state ODP team from 2000-02...Region III Pool in 2003...Regional team member in 2002...Played for Brett Taylor at Wellington and earned the Coach's Award...Helped lead team to runner-up at state championship...Team was ranked No. 10 by Soccer America in 2003...4A All-State team member...Team captain and MVP 2004...All-Area Regional team during freshman and sophomore seasons...Played for Team Boca club team, coached by Lenny Eterno.

#### Personal:

The daughter of Rick and Jeri Hoelscher...Born

June 17, 1986... Has a brother Blake (22)... Mother played softball and volleyball at McKendree College...Majoring in education...Hopes to be a high school teacher and coach in the future...Rod Stewart was her first concert ever attended... Was a summer camp counselor and competed at the Southeastern Regional soccer tournament during the off-season...Says the word tenacious best describes her...Lists not liking odd numbers and putting on her right shoe before the left as her superstitions...Beat out an Alabama alum in a club in Dallas, Texas singing the schools' fight songs...Saw Mark McGwire hit homeruns No. 58 and 59 vs. the Marlins during his record-breaking season...Was a four-year varsity starter for softball in high school...Says best advice ever given is to "Look at life through the windshield, not the rearview mirror."...Spent her 12th birthday at Coach Hoppa's soccer camp at UCF... Auburn Top Tiger.

## Kara Kasten .5-5 · Freshman · Forward · Roswell, Ga.



#### High School:

Attended Blessed Trinity Catholic High School and was coached by Gilbert Jean-Baptiste...2002-05 First Team All-County...2002-05 Most Valuable Player...2004 and 2005 Northside Atlanta Journal Constitution Player of the Year...2002, 2003, 2005 Student-Athlete of the Year...Blessed Trinity Catholic High School all-time leading scorer with 107 goals...United Quest 86 Red club team 2004 and 2005 state champions coached by Eric Ritter...Summa Cum Laude all four years of high school...2003, 2004 Spanish Award...2003 Basketball Coca-Cola Scholar Athlete Award...2003, 2004 Basketball All-County Honorable Mention...2002, 2004 Basketball Coaches' Award...2005 Sports Champions of Greater Atlanta recipient... Nominated for Governors' Honors Program.

#### Personal:

Daughter of Ray and Kathy Kasten...Born Sept. 28, 1986...Brothers are Brett (23) and Court (15)...Father played basketball at Upsula College and brother Brett played baseball at Western Carolina...Chose Auburn because of school spirit, great atmosphere and it is a big school...Has had the No. 15 since she was little...Says she eats chocolate donuts and three slices of bacon every morning...Also played volleyball, basketball, tennis, golf, swimming, dance and was a cheerleader growing up...Lists 'NSYNC as her first concert...Says "determined" is the word that best describes her.