

QUICK FACTS

AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Location Auburn, Ala.
 Founded 1856
 Enrollment 24,137
 Nickname Tigers
 Colors Burnt Orange & Navy Blue
 (PMS 172, 289)
 Conference Southeastern
 Home Court Yarbrough Tennis Center
 President Dr. Jay Gogue
 Athletics Director Jay Jacobs
 Associate Athletics Director/SWA Meredith Jenkins
 Assistant Athletics Director David Mines

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach Tim Gray, fifth season
 Alma Mater Washington College (Md.), 1986
 Assistant Coach Christine Gray
 Alma Mater Brown University, 1992
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TENNIS INFORMATION

Inaugural Season 1978
 Seasons of Tennis 32
 All-Time Record 373-385 (.492)
 NCAA Tournament Appearances 6
 2009 Final ITA Ranking 30th
 Home Court Yarbrough Tennis Center
 2009 Overall Record 11-13
 2008 SEC Record/Finish 3-7/T-9th; 4th West
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 6/5
 Newcomers 3
 All-Americans Returning/Lost 1/0
 Singles - Fani Chifchieva

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TEAM ROSTER

| NAME | HEIGHT | YEAR | HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL) |
|---------------------|--------|-----------|--|
| Heather Bybee | 5'1" | Senior | Longmont, Colo. (Longmont) |
| Fani Chifchieva | 5'9" | Senior | Plovdiv, Bulgaria (Professional High School of Agriculture) |
| Jil Hastenrath | 5'8" | Senior | Solingen, Germany (Gymnasium Schwertstrasse) |
| Plamena Kurteva | 5'7" | Freshman | Plovdiv, Bulgaria (Schiller International) |
| Myrthe Molenveld | 5'11" | Senior | Haasbergen, Netherlands (University of Louisiana at Lafayette) |
| Paulina Schippers | 5'6" | Freshman | Guatemala City, Guatemala (Colegio Internacional Montessori) |
| Taylor Schreimann | 5'7" | Sophomore | Dallas, Texas (Highland Park) |
| Caroline Thornton | 5'6" | Freshman | Sullivans Island, S.C. (Schiller International) |
| Daniela Vukadinovic | 5'6" | Sophomore | Novi Sad, Serbia (High School of Graphic Design) |

Head Coach: Tim Gray (United States Sports Academy, 5th season)

Assistant Coach: Christine Gray (Harvard Graduate School of Education, 2nd season)

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Back row (left to right): Taylor Schreimann, Caroline Thornton, Myrthe Molenveld
Middle row (left to right): Daniela Vukadinovic, Paulina Schippers, Fani Chifchieva
Front row (left to right): Plamena Kurteva, Heather Bybee, Jil Hastenrath

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Heather Bybee: Heather BYE-bee

Fani Chifchieva: FAH-KNEE CHIF-chee-EVA

Jil Hastenrath: JILL HAS-ten-RATH

Plamena Kurteva: PLAH-men-UH KUR-tee-VA

Myrthe Molenveld: MYR-tuh MOLE-en-VELD

Paulina Schippers: PAUL-lee-NUH SHIPP-ers

Taylor Schreimann: TAYLOR SCHREE-man

Daniela Vukadinovic: DANNY-ella Vuka-DIN-OVICH

BREAKDOWN BY CLASS

SENIORS (4)

Heather Bybee
 Fani Chifchieva
 Jil Hastenrath
 Myrthe Molenveld

JUNIORS (0)

SOPHOMORES (2)

Taylor Schreimann
 Daniela Vukadinovic

FRESHMEN (3)

Plamena Kurteva
 Paulina Schippers
 Caroline Thornton

MILES FROM HOME

Heather Bybee 1,206
 Fani Chifchieva 5,645
 Jil Hastenrath 4,611
 Plamena Kurteva 5,645
 Myrthe Molenveld 4,618

Paulina Schippers 1,282
 Taylor Schreimann 657
 Caroline Thornton 329
 Daniela Vukadinovic 5,322

2009 FALL REVIEW & 2010 SPRING PREVIEW

For the third consecutive season, Auburn entered the 2009 fall season with Fani Chifchieva ranked in the ITA Preseason Rankings, coming in at No. 10 after a 15-7 spring season last year.

In all, nine Auburn players compiled a 45-42 singles record and went 7-29 in doubles play, a mark that will be surely improved as the team develops new doubles pairings for the spring season.

"We have an exciting group of new, young players who are getting better daily. I'm certain that this group of players will make some noise on the national scene very soon," said head coach Tim Gray of his players.

Four Tigers came away from the fall with winning records, highlighted by freshman Caroline Thornton's team-high eight wins. Thornton, who was 8-4, was followed by Chifchieva at 7-5 and senior Jil Hastenrath with a 7-4 mark. Another senior, Heather Bybee, wrapped up the fall with a 6-5 record.

The fall season began with the SEC Fall Classic Sept. 11-12, and was hosted by Vanderbilt. Freshman Plamena Kurteva and Bybee each advanced to the second round of the tournament following opening round victories before falling in round two. In total, Auburn racked up six victories in the tournament.

Following the SEC Fall Classic, Auburn traveled to Providence, R.I. for the Brown Invitational on Sept. 25-27, taking on the likes of Brown, Rutgers and Boston University. Overall, Auburn went an even 14-14 in singles play and was 3-5 in doubles action in the three-day tournament.

On Oct. 23-26, the Tigers played host the ITA Southern Regional from City of Auburn/Yarborough Tennis Center, welcoming the best players the ITA Southern Region has to offer.



Fani Chifchieva with coach Tim Gray after winning the ITA National Indoor Southern Regional at Yarborough Tennis Center

On day one of the tournament, Auburn picked up a trio of singles victories. Chifchieva defeated UAB's Evelien Strijker 6-4, 6-4, Myrthe Molenveld defeated Mississippi State's Natalia Mayuk 6-4, 6-1, and freshman Plamena Kurteva, defeated another Bulldog, Soledad Podlipnik, 6-3, 6-3.

Day two saw Chifchieva, Auburn's first three-time ITA All-American, win a pair of matches over Alabama's Taylor Lindsey, 6-2, 6-4 and Karoline Grymel of Troy 6-0, 6-2 to advance to the tournament semi finals. Molenveld also won her second-round match

up against Louisiana-Lafayette's Taylor Woodland 6-3, 6-0 before falling to Alabama's Courtney McLane 6-3, 6-3 in the round of 16.

Winning consolation match ups were Bybee, who defeated Natalia Mayuk of Mississippi St. 6-0, 6-0, and Thornton, who beat MSU's Danielle Terpkko 6-1, 6-1.

In the main draw quarterfinals, Chifchieva defeated Troy's Abigail Guthrie in a hard-fought, 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-4 decision, and advanced into the finals with a semi final win over Karen Njissen of Ole Miss, 6-2, 6-3. Thornton, who advanced to the consolation final after her semi final opponent withdrew, went on to defeat Julie Mazinova of Louisiana-Lafayette 5-7, 6-1, 10-8 to capture the ITA Southern Regional Consolation Championship.

Championship Monday of the Regional saw Chifchieva defeat Kristi Boxx of Ole Miss 4-6, 6-1, 6-1 and advance to the ITA National Indoor Tournament in New Haven, Conn.

"This is a huge first for our program! We've never had an ITA Regional Champion at Auburn, so it was really special to see Fani win this event at our amazing facility and in front of our fans," said head coach Tim Gray of his teams success in the fall.

In the opening round of the National Indoor Tournament, Chifchieva drew No. 2 seeded Irina Falconi of Georgia Tech. After Chifchieva's 3-0 lead in the second set, Falconi rallied back to force a tie breaker en route to a 6-0, 7-6 (3) win over Chifchieva. On day two, in the consolation bracket, Chifchieva dropped another hard-fought battle to Yale's Stephanie Kent, 7-6 (5), 6-4, to end Auburn's fall season.

Auburn opens up the 2010 spring season on Jan. 23 as the Tigers host Mercer and Kennesaw St. from the City of Auburn/Yarborough Tennis Center. The following day, the Tigers will take on nationally-ranked Georgia Tech.

"We are very young, but at the same time, we are very hungry. We also have unbelievable team chemistry right now. Our captains, Jil Hastenrath and Heather Bybee have done a great job in helping develop this bond. I'm confident that our hard work, both on and off the court, will pay off."

Postseason action begins April 22, as Georgia will play host to the SEC Championship April 22-26. Following SECs, the NCAA Regional is slated for May 14-16 at a site to be determined.

Auburn will look to qualify for the NCAA Championships, also in Athens, for the fourth-straight season. The national tournament begins on May 20 and ends on May 31.



Heather BYBEE

Senior • 5-1
Longmont, Colorado
Longmont

2008-09 (JUNIOR)

Went 2-1 in singles play with wins over Mercer and Southern Miss at the No. 5 and No. 6 spot ... Played in five doubles matches, highlighted by a 8-4 win over No. 62 Marshall with partner Jil Hastenrath ... Compiled a 3-3 singles mark during fall season.

2007-08 (SOPHOMORE)

Went 2-0 in singles play with wins over Alabama A&M and Jacksonville State ... Had two wins at Maryland Fall Invitational and had a 5-6 mark in fall action.

2006-07 (FRESHMAN)

Competed in three SEC singles matches ... Played in the No. 6 spot against NC State and Georgia at the NCAA Championships ... Partnered with Fani Chifchieva in three doubles matches ... Won first three matches at the Roberta Alison Invitational in fall action ... Posted a fall record of 4-5.

PRIOR TO AUBURN

Three-year letterwinner at Longmont High School ... Finished high school career with a 42-0 record ... Three-time all-conference pick, regional champ and state qualifier ... Earned three all-academic selections.

PERSONAL

Born Nov. 26, 1987... Daughter of Scott and Cathy Bybee ... Major: Industrial Design.

BYBEE YEAR-BY-YEAR

| Singles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2006-07 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-6 | 0-6 | 0-3 | 4-5 | 5-12 |
| 2007-08 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 1-0 | 1-0 | 2-0 | -- | 5-6 | 7-6 |
| 2008-09 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 1-0 | 1-1 | 2-1 | -- | 3-3 | 5-4 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 6-5 | |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | -- | 1-0 | 2-7 | 4-7 | 0-3 | 18-19 | 17-22 |

| Doubles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2006-07 | -- | -- | 0-3 | 0-3 | -- | -- | 0-3 |
| 2007-08 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 5-5 | 5-5 |
| 2008-09 | -- | -- | 1-4 | 1-4 | 0-2 | 0-3 | 1-7 |
| Fall | | | | | | 1-5 | |
| Career | -- | -- | 1-7 | 1-7 | 0-2 | 6-13 | 6-15 |



About Heather

- Favorite movie is The Dark Knight
- Favorite place to be on Auburn Campus is Jordan Hare Stadium
- Started playing tennis at age 9
- Favorite home cooked meal is lasagna
- Currently playing in her car: Dave Matthews Band
- Dream job is being a product designer at an outdoor and backpacking company
- Favorite quote, "Life is either a daring adventure or nothing."



Fani CHIFCHIEVA

Senior • 5-9
Plovdiv, Bulgaria
Professional High School
of Agriculture

2008-09 (JUNIOR)

Earned her third ITA All-American honor after compiling a mark of 15-7 on the season ... Racked up her third All-SEC plaudit after going 7-3 on the season in conference play in the No. 1 spot for the Tigers ... Picked up wins against No. 9 Chelsey Gullickson of Georgia, No. 11 Amanda McDowell of Georgia Tech and No. 12 Megan Falcon on the season, and was 9-5 overall against nationally-ranked opponents ... Won seven straight matches from March 15 to April 5 ... Entered season ranked No. 6 by the ITA, the highest ranked player for the No. 27 Tigers ... Went 9-11 in doubles play on the year, playing at least one match with six different partners ... Was 7-4 in the No. 2 spot, partnering up with Whitney Chappell (0-1) for a match, Jil Hastenrath (2-0) for a pair of matches and Myrthe Molenveld (5-3) for eight matches ... Went 8-3 in singles matches during the fall season ... Was invited to the ITA National Indoor Championships and defeated Cal's Alison Ramos in the opening round 7-6, 6-0 before falling the quarterfinals of the tournament to Northwestern's Maria Mosolova ... Also compiled a 5-1 mark in doubles competition.

2007-08 (SOPHOMORE)

Earned ITA All-American honors after advancing to the semifinals at the NCAA Championships ... Tied for third on the Auburn all-time single season victories list with 27 ... Recorded a 10-1 SEC singles record and 27-3 overall ... Went 16-8, 4-5 SEC in doubles action ... Twice named SEC Player of the Week (Feb. 19 and March 6) ... Defeated No. 2 Aurilija Misivecuite of Arkansas ... Defeated LSU's No. 15 Megan Falcon ... Topped No. 27 Julia Cohen of Florida ... Clinched Auburn's 4-3 win over Ohio State

CHIFCHIEVA YEAR-BY-YEAR

| Singles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2006-07 | 17-7 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 19-8 | 8-3 | 8-6 | 27-14 |
| 2007-08 | 23-1 | 0-1 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 27-3 | 10-1 | 6-1 | 33-4 |
| 2008-09 | 15-6 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 15-7 | 7-3 | 8-3 | 23-10 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 7-5 | |
| Career | 55-14 | 0-1 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 61-18 | 25-7 | 29-15 | 83-28 |
| Doubles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | | | | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
| 2006-07 | 1-1 | 6-8 | 3-3 | | | | 10-12 | 3-8 | 8-4 | 18-16 |
| 2007-08 | 2-0 | 8-4 | 2-3 | | | | 16-8 | 4-5 | 3-1 | 19-9 |
| 2008-09 | 1-3 | 7-4 | 1-4 | | | | 9-11 | 3-7 | 5-1 | 5-1 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 2-6 | |
| Career | 4-4 | 21-16 | 6-10 | | | | 35-31 | 10-20 | 18-12 | 42-26 |

in first round of NCAA Championships ... Downed the No. 2 and 6 seeded players, winning four matches to earn a spot in the semifinals at the NCAA Singles Championships ... Paired with Whitney Chappell, Dunja Djuranovic, Jil Hastenrath, Alex Haney and Melissa Koning in doubles action ... Ranked as the No. 11 singles player by ITA preseason poll ... Roberta Alison Fall Classic Crimson Bracket singles champ.

2006-07 (FRESHMAN)

Became the first ITA All-American in Auburn women's tennis history after winning her way into the round of 16 at the NCAA Singles Championship ... Finished spring with a 19-8, 8-3 SEC singles record ... Won nine consecutive singles matches from Feb. 23 - March 25, upsetting four top-50 players ... Named SEC Athlete of the Week (March 20) ... Defeated Daria Petrovoc of NC State 5-7, 6-3, 6-3, in the NCAA South Regional Tournament ... Paired with Jil Hastenrath (3-2), Whitney Chappell (6-6) and Alex Haney (1-1) in doubles action ... Played in the ITA Women's All-American individual qualifier and doubles pre-qualifier.

2005

Redshirted.

PERSONAL

Born Aug. 27, 1987 ... Daughter of Angel and Tinka Chifchieva ... Major: Spanish.



About Fani

- Favorite sports team is the New York Giants
- Started playing tennis at age 7
- Most interesting place ever been to is Greece
- Dream job is to own a tennis academy
- Best advice ever received: Patience is a virtue
- Best part about being a college athlete is meeting new people and the experience



Jil HASTENRATH

Senior • 5-8
Soligen, Germany
Gymnasium Schwertstasse

2008-09 (JUNIOR)

Played primarily in No. 6 position, compiling a 6-7 overall mark ... Also played a pair of matches in the No. 4 slot, earning victories over UAB as well as Southern Miss. ... Went 2-1 at the No. 5 spot with victories over Troy and league opponent LSU ... In doubles play, played with six different partners on the year, tallying a 7-15 record ... Paired most favorably with Fani Chifchieva, as the duo went 3-3, with two wins coming in the No. 2 position ... Went 1-2 on the fall season in singles matches.

2007-08 (SOPHOMORE)

Notched a spring singles record of 14-11, 5-6 SEC ... Strung together nine consecutive victories from Jan. 26 - Feb. 29 ... Clinched Auburn's victory over South Carolina defeating Jelen Rajic ... Paired with Gaby Beelen to go 8-9, 5-6 SEC in doubles action ... Notched a win over South Carolina in the SEC Tournament to get the doubles point for Auburn ... Also paired with Fani Chifchieva and Melissa Koning to go 4-1 in doubles ... Went undefeated (4-0) in the Maryland Fall Invitational.

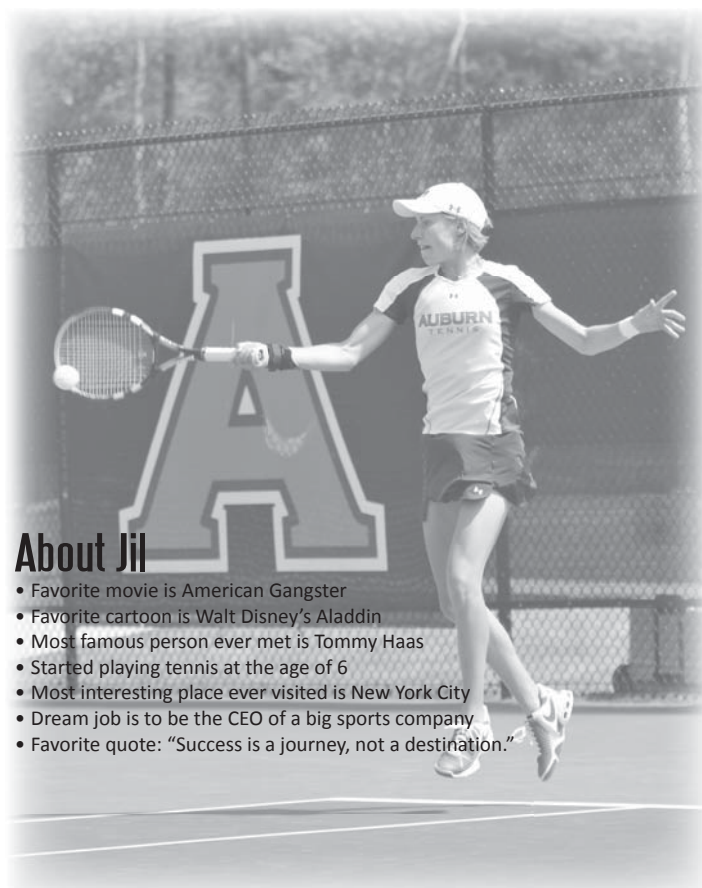
2006-07 (FRESHMAN)

Finished the spring season 14-10, 5-6 SEC in singles, 7-16 in doubles ... Defeated Lara Fakhoury to help Auburn on its way to upset No. 1 Georgia ... Upended No. 80 Darya Ivanov of No. 4 Georgia in the SEC Tournament ... Defeated Julia Roach of No. 39 NC State at the NCAA South Regional ... Won her flight at Florida

International Spring Invitational ... Paired with Fani Chifchieva (2-2), Kelly Adams (3-12), Whitney Chappell (1-1), Melissa Koning (1-1) ... Won six matches, losing only one set, on way to capturing "B" singles title at ITA Southern Regional Championships ... Appeared in semifinals of the SEC Coaches Classic.

PERSONAL

Born Aug. 26, 1987 ... Daughter of Manuel and Edith Hastenrath ... Has one brother, Nicolai ... Graduated in December 2008 with a Bachelor's degree in International Business ... Currently pursuing a dual degree in Management Information System and a Master's degree in Business Administration.



About Jil

- Favorite movie is American Gangster
- Favorite cartoon is Walt Disney's Aladdin
- Most famous person ever met is Tommy Haas
- Started playing tennis at the age of 6
- Most interesting place ever visited is New York City
- Dream job is to be the CEO of a big sports company
- Favorite quote: "Success is a journey, not a destination."

HASTENRATH YEAR-BY-YEAR

| Singles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2006-07 | -- | -- | -- | 1-2 | 10-8 | -- | 14-10 | 5-6 | 9-3 | 23-13 |
| 2007-08 | -- | -- | -- | 3-2 | 11-9 | -- | 14-11 | 5-6 | 8-3 | 22-14 |
| 2008-09 | -- | -- | -- | 2-0 | 2-1 | 6-7 | 10-8 | 4-6 | 1-2 | 11-10 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 7-4 | |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | 6-4 | 23-18 | 6-7 | 38-29 | 14-18 | 25-12 | 56-37 |

| Doubles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2006-07 | -- | 0-3 | 7-13 | 7-16 | 2-9 | 7-4 | 14-20 |
| 2007-08 | -- | 5-4 | 7-9 | 12-13 | 5-6 | 5-6 | 17-19 |
| 2008-09 | 1-0 | 2-0 | 3-13 | 6-13 | 1-8 | -- | 6-13 |
| Fall | | | | | | 0-7 | |
| Career | 1-0 | 7-7 | 17-35 | 25-42 | 8-23 | 12-17 | 37-52 |



Plamena KURTEVA

Freshman • 5-7
Plovdiv, Bulgaria
Schiller International

PRIOR TO AUBURN

Graduated from the Schiller International School of Barcelona ...
Finalist of Catalonia Teams Championship in 2006 ... Finalist of
Bulgarian Teams Championship under 14 and 16 divisions.

PERSONAL

Born June 8, 1990 ... Daughter of Sevdalina Kurteva and Yordan
Kurteva ... One brother, Georgi ... Major: Agricultural Economics



KURTEVA YEAR-BY-YEAR

| Singles | No.1 | No.2 | No.3 | No.4 | No.5 | No.6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|-----|------|---------|
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 5-6 | -- |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 5-6 | -- |
| Doubles | No.1 | No.2 | No.3 | | | | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 1-9 | -- |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | | | | -- | -- | 1-9 | -- |

About Plamena

- Nickname is Plame
- Favorite movie is Angels and Demons
- Favorite sports team is FC Barcelona
- Most famous person ever met is Rafael Nadal
- Started playing tennis at age 5
- Most interesting place ever been to is Sevilla, Spain
- Best advice ever received: "Get the good out of everything."



Myrthe MOLENVELD

Senior • 5-11
Haasbergen, Netherlands
Louisiana-Lafayette

2008-09 (JUNIOR)

Totaled a season record of 5-14, going 3-7 in SEC play ... Played primarily at the No. 4 spot, earning a 4-11 record with wins over Ole Miss, Kentucky, Alabama and Marshall ... Her victory over Gabriela Rangel of Ole Miss on March 15 clinched the team victory over the No. 67 squad in the nation ... Also picked up a victory against Southern Miss in the No. 2 position on April 3 ... Went 8-14 on the season in doubles play, pairing up with Fani Chifchieva to earn a 5-3 mark in the No. 2 position with wins over nationally ranked LSU, Arkansas and William & Mary.

AT LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE

Was part of the 2008 team that had the second highest ranking in school history at No. 64 ... Registered a 15-8 singles record and went 14-6 in doubles as a sophomore ... Compiled a 13-5 singles record as a freshman in to lead the Ragin' Cajuns and paired with two partners for a combined 11-8 doubles record in 2007... Named All-Louisiana Freshman of the Year in 2007.

PERSONAL

Born Sept. 5, 1989 ... Daughter of Alex and Annette Molenveld ... One older brother, Thijs ... Major: International Business.



About Myrthe

- Favorite movie is Forrest Gump
- Favorite place to shop is Amsterdam
- Started playing tennis at age 7
- Most famous people ever met: Andy Roddick, Lleyton Hewitt
- Dream job is to be a college tennis coach
- Most interesting places ever been are Spain, France, Belgium, Germany, Canada, USA
- Best advice ever received: "Follow your heart."

MOLENVELD YEAR-BY-YEAR

| Singles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|---------------------------|-------|-------|--------|------|-------------|-------------|
| 2006-07 | | | | ---Louisiana-Lafayette--- | | | | | | |
| 2007-08 | | | | ---Louisiana-Lafayette--- | | | | | | |
| 2008-09 | -- | 1-0 | 0-2 | 4-11 | 0-1 | -- | 5-14 | 3-7 | 4-5 | 5-14 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 4-5 | |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 9-9 | 5-14 |
| Doubles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | | | | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
| 2006-07 | | | | ---Louisiana-Lafayette--- | | | | | | |
| 2007-08 | | | | ---Louisiana-Lafayette--- | | | | | | |
| 2008-09 | 1-0 | 6-11 | 1-3 | | | | 8-14 | 2-10 | 3-5 | 8-14 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 2-6 | |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | | | | -- | -- | 5-11 | 8-14 |



Paulina SCHIPPERS

Freshman • 5-6
Guatemala City, Guatemala
Colegio Internacional Montessori

PRIOR TO AUBURN

Graduated with honors from Colegio Internacional Montessori.

PERSONAL

Born April 2, 1991 ... Daughter of John Walter and Regina Schippers ... One younger sister, Daniela ... Major: Business



SCHIPPERS ON THE COURT

| Singles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----|------|---------|
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 4-6 | -- |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 4-6 | -- |
| Doubles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | | | | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 3-7 | -- |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | | | | -- | -- | 3-7 | -- |

About Paulina

- Nickname is Pau
- Favorite Sports team is the Indianapolis Colts
- Can't go a week without chocolate
- Started playing tennis at age 8
- Favorite childhood memory is her family trips
- Favorite home-cooked meal is chicken lasagna
- Favorite quote: "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change those that I can and the wisdom to know the difference."



Taylor SCHREIMANN

Sophomore • 5-7
Dallas, Texas
Highland Park

2008-09 (FRESHMAN)

Joined team late in spring season, participating in a trio of doubles matches ... Went 0-3 three matches, dropping her first collegiate match on April 18 to Alice Tunaru and Tiffany Welcher 5-8 of Alabama with partner Fani Chifchieva ... Paired with Whitney Chappell five days later in a 2-8 loss to the Crimson Tide's Tunaru and Welcher... Dropped a 1-8 decision with Chifchieva in the NCAA Tournament against Lauren McFarlane and Noemie Scharle to end season.

PRIOR TO AUBURN

Four-year letterwinner at Highland Park High School ... Team captain senior year ... Three-time team champion ... Texas doubles State Champion ... placed third in mixed doubles.

PERSONAL

Born July 25, 1990 ... Daughter of Daniel Schreimann and Kim Roden ... Has a step brother Ryan (20) and a step-sister Holland (23) and a half-brother Scott (8) ... Major: Public Relations



About Taylor

- Favorite vacation spot is Florence, Italy
- Favorite sports team is the Dallas Cowboys
- Can't go a week without her phone
- Started playing tennis at age 5
- Most interesting place ever been is Athens, Greece
- Music currently playing in her car is country
- Best advice ever received, "Follow your heart."

SCHREIMANN YEAR-BY-YEAR

| Singles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------------|------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----|------------|------------|
| 2008-09 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-1 | -- |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | | |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-1 | -- |
| Doubles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | | | | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
| 2008-09 | 0-1 | 0-1 | -- | | | | 0-2 | 0-0 | -- | 0-2 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 1-3 | |
| Career | 0-1 | 0-1 | -- | | | | -- | -- | 1-3 | 0-2 |



Caroline THORNTON

Freshman • 5-6
Sullivans Island, South Carolina
Schiller International

PRIOR TO AUBURN

Graduated from the Schiller International School of Barcelona ...
Played with fellow Auburn freshman Plamena Kurteva.

PERSONAL

Born Mar. 21, 1991... Daughter of Chris and Teri Thornton... One
older sister, Alex ... Major: Business Marketing



About Caroline

- Favorite movie is Gladiator
- Favorite sports teams are the Patriots, Red Sox and Manchester United
- Favorite part of being a collegiate athlete is the team and the gear.
- Started playing tennis at age 10
- Most interesting place she has ever been to is Turkey
- Music in her car is R&B, rap and techno
- Best advice ever received: "Do something great in this lifetime, because you only live it once."

THORNTON ON THE COURT

| Singles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----|------|---------|
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 8-4 | |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 8-4 | -- |
| Doubles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | | | | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 3-7 | |
| Career | -- | -- | -- | | | | -- | -- | 3-7 | -- |



Daniela VUKADINOVIC

Sophomore • 5-6
 Novi Sad, Serbia
 High School of Graphic Design



About Daniela

- Favorite movie is Pulp Fiction
- Favorite sports team is Liverpool
- Most famous person ever met is Pau Gasol
- Best player ever competed against is Ana Ivanovic
- Started playing tennis at age 8
- Music currently playing in her car: techno
- Favorite quote: "If you want something done right, you got to do it yourself."

2008-09 (FRESHMAN)

Led freshman class after tallying a dual record of 8-8 in first season as a Tiger, along with a 4-6 mark in conference play ... Went 5-6 in the No. 5 position, as well as 2-2 in the No. 6 slot ... Also picked up a victory in the No. 3 spot against Southern Miss on March 31 ... Compiled a 1-8 ledger in doubles play, with lone victory coming against Southern Miss with partner Whitney Chappell... Went 5-4 in singles play during fall to go along with a 3-5 doubles mark... Won two of three doubles matches at SEC Fall Coaches Classic to close out the fall campaign.

PERSONAL

Born Nov. 30, 1988... Daughter of Svetlana and Milan Vukadinovic ... Has two sisters, Aleksandra and Natasha ... Major: Industrial Design.

VUKADINOVIC ON THE COURT

| Singles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | No. 4 | No. 5 | No. 6 | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 2008-09 | -- | -- | 1-0 | -- | 5-6 | 2-2 | 8-8 | 4-6 | -- | 8-8 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 4-6 | |
| Career | -- | -- | 1-0 | -- | 5-6 | 2-2 | 8-8 | 4-6 | 4-6 | 8-8 |
| Doubles | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 | | | | Spring | SEC | Fall | Overall |
| 2008-09 | -- | 1-7 | 0-1 | | | | 1-8 | 0-6 | -- | 1-8 |
| Fall | | | | | | | | | 1-8 | |
| Career | -- | 1-7 | 0-1 | | | | 1-8 | 0-6 | 1-8 | 1-8 |



Tim GRAY

Head Coach • 5th season
Washington College, 1986
United States Sports Academy, 2005

Entering his fifth season at the helm of the Auburn women's tennis team, head coach Tim Gray has quickly turned the Tiger program into one to take notice of throughout the Southeast Conference and nationally. Gray's teams and players have generated results that would have been unthinkable prior to him taking over the program nearly five years ago.

In 2008-09, Gray led the Tigers to one of the top seasons in program history, as the Tigers, who peaked at No. 25 in the ITA National Rankings as a team, also boasted three athletes in the national individual rankings. Junior Fani Chifchieva headlined the individual rankings as she wrapped up the season with a No. 6 individual rankings, becoming Auburn's first three-time All-American in history.

Also cracking the ITA National Rankings were a pair of seniors in Whitney Chappell and Alex Haney, who ended the season ranked as the No. 15 doubles pair in the nation. Haney also was ranked No. 26 at the end of the year with a 17-2 regular season mark, and was 10-0 in her final regular season matches earning herself South Region Senior-of-the-Year by the ITA. Haney and Chifchieva were both named to the All-SEC first team for their efforts on the season. The year was capped off by more history, as the trio made their way to College Station, Texas, for the NCAA Championship, which marked the second year in a row that the Tigers sent three athletes to the National Championships.

The Tigers wrapped up the regular season with a No. 31 ranking and an 11-11 overall mark to go along with a 3-7 SEC ledger.

A year later in 2007-08, the same trio of Tigers returned to the NCAA Championships and all three came home to Auburn as All-Americans. Gray guided No. 11 Chifchieva to the individual semifinals and the 10th-ranked duo of Haney and Koning into the round of 16. Chifchieva was unanimously voted first-team All-SEC and named SEC Player of the Year. Haney received her second All-SEC nod by landing on the first team.

Not only have Gray's efforts been visible in team competition but also in the play of individuals. For the first time in Auburn history, the Tigers had an All-American in 2007. A year later, three players returned from the NCAA Championships with the decorated honor.

About Tim

- Favorite movie is "Dan in Real Life"
- Favorite place to be on game day is the sidelines of Jordan-Hare Stadium
- Started playing tennis in 6th grade
- Favorite food is fondue
- Favorite coaching moment is seeing players grasp new techniques; 'the lightbulb goes off in their head.'



During her redshirt freshman season in 2006-07, Fani Chifchieva put together a 17-7, 8-3 SEC rookie campaign and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Championships. Wrapping up the season as the No. 16 individual player nationally, Chifchieva garnered All-American accolades, the first in Auburn women's tennis history. She was also named ITA South Region Freshman of the Year and was a First-Team All-SEC pick.

Gray's accomplishments were not limited to Chifchieva in 2006-07; the 13th ranked doubles team of Alex Haney and Melissa Koning also qualified for a spot in the NCAA Championships. In singles action, Haney posted a 20-5, 10-1 record and earned Second-Team All-SEC honors. It had been five years since an Auburn player had been recognized by the conference.

Gray arrived on the Plains in 2005 and took hold of a team that was 6-15 the season prior. In three years, Gray and his Tigers have claimed a share of the SEC West title, advanced to the second round in the SEC and NCAA Championships and broken into the national rankings. As a team in 2008, Gray led Auburn to a 17-10 overall record and 5-6 in SEC action. His squad upended No. 26 Arkansas 4-3 on the road to open the SEC schedule and knocked off No. 15 TCU 4-3 at home. The Tigers were listed among the top 50 teams throughout the entire season in the ITA team rankings, peaking at No. 27.

After almost 20 years of head coaching experience at the collegiate level, Gray came to Auburn after a successful three-year stint as the head coach of Eastern Michigan in Ypsilanti, Mich. There, he directed Eastern Michigan to a 41-20 mark in three years and twice led the team to the finals of the Mid-American Conference Championships. In three years, Gray compiled a 21-6 record in conference play.

While at Eastern Michigan, Gray showed a knack for developing players. In all three seasons at the helm, Gray had at least one all-conference player every year. His most decorated player, Victoria Domina, was a two-time first-team all-conference selection during the 2004 and 2005 seasons. Domina was the first alternate at the 2005 NCAA Championships. In 2003-04 she was named the MAC Player of the Year.

Gray was the head men's tennis coach at Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Fla., for seven seasons before heading to Eastern Michigan. During his tenure, Gray resurrected a program that had been reinstated in 1995, after being dropped in 1985. Gray compiled a 103-54 record and led the Mocs to seven consecutive NCAA Division II postseason appearances.

Gray was named Sunshine State Conference Coach of the Year in 2000 and 2002, after directing the Mocs to a pair of conference titles, including the program's first-ever league title in 2000.

Three years into his tenure, Gray led Florida Southern to a third-place finish at the NCAA Division II Championships and the school's first-ever regional title in 1998. Gray's teams repeated as regional champions in 1999 and 2000, and his 2001 squad advanced to the second round of the NCAA Championships.



Head coach Tim Gray with wife and assistant coach Christine Gray.

Gray began his coaching career in 1987 as head coach at Widener University before serving as the head men's and women's tennis coach at his alma mater, Washington College in 1991. In his four years at Washington College, Gray led the men's program to a Division III national championship in 1994, a runner-up finish in 1995 and postseason bids all four seasons.

A 1986 graduate with a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Washington College, Gray was a two-year member of the men's tennis team after transferring from the University of Maryland. As a senior at Washington College, Gray participated in the NCAA Division III Championships in team singles and doubles.

During the summer of 2005, Gray received his master's degree in sports science from the United States Sports Academy. Prior to attending Maryland, Gray received his associate's degree from Anderson College in Anderson, S.C.

Gray, a native of Greenville, S.C., wed the former Christine Franek in the summer of 2008. He has two sons, Brandon (19) and Taylor (18).



Christine GRAY

Assistant Coach • 2nd season
Brown University, 1992
Harvard Graduate School of
Education, 1997

Christine Gray enters her second season as the Auburn women's assistant tennis coach. She joined the Tigers prior to last season after she served as head coach of the women's tennis team in the previous seven years at Wellesley College.

Gray coached Wellesley College to four straight New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference Championships (2004-07) and earned two straight NEWMAC Sportsmanship Awards.

In 2008, the team qualified for the NCAA Division III Championship for a fifth straight year, advancing to the third round. Gray also coached two individuals to the NCAA Championships for the fourth consecutive year.

In her career at Wellesley, Gray earned Coach of the Year honors several times over. Most recently in 2008 she was named ITA Northeast Region Coach of the Year for the second time in her career (first in 2006). She was named NEWMAC Coach of the Year four years in-a-row, 2004-07. In 2006 she was also named U.S. Tennis Association New England College Coach of the Year, and in 2005 she was named U.S. Professional Tennis Association New England College Coach of the Year.

At Wellesley College, where she coached the team to a 119-38 record, Gray also served as assistant professor of physical education, while teaching courses in tennis, strength training and fusion fitness.

Before joining Wellesley, she served as assistant coach at Brown University in 1996.

A native of East Greenwich, R.I., Gray graduated from Brown University in 1992 with a bachelor of arts in international relations (international diplomacy foreign policy and German) and earned her master's of education from the Harvard Graduate School of Education in 1997.

Gray was a member of the Brown University varsity women's tennis team from 1988-1992, serving as captain from 1991-1992 and being a part of the 1991 Ivy League Championship team. She was named Outstanding Senior Athlete at Brown in 1992.

Gray was inducted into the Rhode Island Scholar-Athlete Hall of Fame in May 2004.

Christine married Auburn head women's tennis coach Tim Gray in the summer of 2008.



About Christine

- Favorite movie is "Dan in Real Life"
- Favorite place to be on game day is the corner of Roosevelt & Donahue prior to kickoff
- Played in first tennis tournament at age 10
- Favorite food is sushi
- Favorite moment as a coach at Auburn was beating LSU in 2009 for the pairs first SEC win of their career as a coaching tandem.



Damon DAVIS
Strength & Conditioning Coach

Damon Davis is in his second season as an assistant strength and conditioning coach at Auburn, where he works primarily with track & field as well as tennis. Davis was an assistant strength and conditioning coach at the University of Iowa from 2004-08, working with track and field, cross country, baseball and softball while assisting all other sports.

Davis is a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist with the the National Strength and Conditioning Association and is certified as a Sports Performance Coach by United States of America Weightlifting.

He and his wife, Yari, have a son Magnus, who was born June 10, 2007.



Rachel CRADDOCK
Athletic Trainer

Rachel enters her second year of service with the AU Sports Medicine staff. Her primary responsibilities are the medical coverage of the Auburn cheerleading program as well as women's tennis.

The Plano, Texas native is a 2008 graduate of the University of Texas, where she received her Bachelor's Degree in Athletic Training. She is currently working towards her Master's Degree in higher education administration with a minor in sports management.

Craddock is a member of the National Athletic Trainers' Association, Southeast Athletic Trainers' Association, and the Alabama Athletic Trainers' Association.



Scott KEMPS
Media Relations

Scott Kemps is in his first season as media relations assistant as Auburn, with primary responsibilities lying in women's cross country, women's tennis, and gymnastics. Secondary responsibilities include working with football as well as soccer and men's and women's basketball.

The Ramsey, N.J., native joined the staff from Coastal Carolina University, where he served in a similar capacity with the men's soccer, cross country, women's track and softball teams. He is a 2007 graduate of Lock Haven University where he earned a B.A. in Mass Communications.



Courtney Brenkus
Academic Counselor



Rich McGlynn
Senior Associate Athletics
Director



Dr. Michael Goodlett
Team Physician



Dr. James Andrews
Orthopaedic Surgeon