

AZTEC BASKETBALL

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GAME NO. 2



San Diego State (1-0)
vs.
Portland (0-1)

Saturday, Nov. 10, 2007
8 p.m. PT

Save Mart Center (15,596)
Fresno, Calif.

► TELEVISION

None

► RADIO

Saturday: KLSD AM 1360 with Chris Ello

Sunday: AM 600 KOGO with Ted Leitner

► WEB

Real-time statistics will be available on SDSU's official athletic department web site at goaztecs.com.

Aztecs Look to Open Season With Two Consecutive Wins Saturday Night vs. Portland

San Diego State (1-0) will look to start the 2007-08 season with two consecutive wins Saturday night vs. Portland (0-1) on the second day of the World Vision Classic presented by Pape' in Fresno, Calif.

Game time at the Save Mart Center is set for 8 p.m. PT and can be heard on KLSD-AM 1360. Chris Ello will call the play-by-play. There is no television coverage for the contest.

In their second game in as many days, the Aztecs will look to begin the campaign with a 2-0 record for the second straight season. Should SDSU emerge with victory Saturday night, it will mark the first time an Aztec team started a season 2-0 in consecutive seasons since the 1994-95 and 1995-96 campaigns.

San Diego State is in this position thanks to a strong defensive effort on Friday night against Liberty.

The Aztecs used a stifling pressure defense that resulted in 21 Flame turnovers and an overall shooting percentage of 34.0 percent. In addition to the defensive effort, SDSU received a balanced scoring effort as five players scored in between nine and 14 points.

Leading the way for the Aztecs was junior forward Kyle Spain. The Newark, Calif., native shared game-high honors with 14 points (6-6 FTs) and added four rebounds. Fellow junior Lorenzo Wade contributed 12 points, three rebounds and three assists. Most surprising was the effort of freshman Billy White, who came off of the bench to score 13 points and collect a game-high tying seven rebounds.

Another pair of forwards, Ryan Amoroso and Tim Shelton, each scored nine points. Amoroso, the Mountain West Conference preseason top newcomer, also had five rebounds, while Shelton grabbed four.

Speaking of Shelton, he and classmate D.J. Gay made history as the two became the fifth and sixth freshmen to start a season-opening game for Steve Fisher while at SDSU. Overall, the two join Juwan Howard, Jalen Rose, Chris Webber, Jerod Ward, Albert White, Bradley Jackson, Steve Sir, Brandon Heath and Richie Williams as the only freshmen to earn a starting job in a season-opening contest for Fisher.

When the dust finally settled, SDSU finished the game with the 62-50 decision over Liberty to post its third consecutive campaign-opening victory. It marked the first time the Scarlet and Black won three straight season lidlifters since doing it in 1999-00, 2000-01 and 2001-02.

Portland, meanwhile, enters the game with the Aztecs having dropped its first contest of the season, 75-68, to Fresno State. The Pilots stayed close to the Bulldogs, but could not overcome Fresno State's 13-for-26 three-point shooting exhibition.

► WORLD VISION CLASSIC

Below is the schedule for the World Vision Classic. All game to take place at Save Mart Center in Fresno, Calif.

Game 1: Nov. 9, 5:30 p.m. PT

SAN DIEGO STATE 62, Liberty 50

Game 2: Nov. 9, 8 p.m. PT

Fresno State 75, Portland 68

Game 3: Nov. 10, 5:30 p.m. PT

Liberty at Fresno State

Game 4: Nov. 10, 8 p.m. PT

SAN DIEGO STATE vs. Portland

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Portland vs. Liberty

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AZTECS AT-A-GLANCE (1-0 OVERALL/0-0 MOUNTAIN WEST)

No.	Name (Career G/GS)	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	PPG	RPG	Misc.	Note	► - Probable Starters
2	Jer'Vaughn Johnson (32/1)	F	6-6	240	So.	0.0	1.0	2.0 mpg	Played in 32 gms.; 1 TO in last 76 mins; Five career 5+ rebounding gms.	
3	Richie Williams (66/64)	G	5-10	152	Jr.	--	--	--	Returning starter; Ranked 1st in MWC in steals and 2nd in assists in '06-07.	
5	Jon Pastorek (24/0)	F	6-10	210	So.	0.0	1.0	1.0 bpg	Played in 24 games; Career-high 13 pts. vs. UCSD; 4 TO in last 109 mins.	
10	Bryan Horton (0/0)	G	6-1	187	Fr.	--	--	--	Prepped at Canyon High in Anaheim, Calif.	
15	► Kyle Spain (60/44)	F	6-5	209	Jr.	14.0	4.0	6-6 FT	Game-high 14 pts. vs. LU; SDSU is 17-2 in his career when he scores 10+ pts.	
21	Matt Thomas (60/18)	G	6-4	204	Sr.	0.0	1.0	3.0 apg	Three assists, one turnover in 19 mins. vs. Liberty	
23	► D.J. Gay (1/1)	G	6-0	156	Fr.	0.0	1.0	3.0 apg	Started at point guard as true freshman vs. Liberty	
24	► Tim Shelton (1/1)	F	6-7	242	Fr.	9.0	4.0	2.0 spg	Started at forward as true freshman vs. Liberty; scored nine points	
30	Chris Lamb (27/4)	C	6-10	223	Jr.	--	--	--	Played in 21 gms. and made 4 starts; Scored 29 pts. after scoring just 4 in '05-06	
31	► Lorenzo Wade (69/25)	F	6-6	226	Jr.	12.0	3.0	3.0 apg	2007 all-MWC honorable mention; 12 pts. in team-high 34 mins. vs. Liberty	
32	Billy White (1/0)	F	6-8	212	Fr.	13.0	7.0	3-3 FT	Scored 13 points and had game-high seven rebounds vs. Liberty	
40	Kelvin Davis (25/1)	G	6-3	215	Jr.	5.0	3.0	2.0 spg	Five points, three rebounds, two steals vs. Liberty	
43	► Ryan Amoroso (58/9)	F	6-8	257	Jr.	9.0	5.0	4-6 FG	MWC preseason top newcomer; nine points, five rebounds vs. Liberty	

Head Coach: Steve Fisher (Illinois State, 1967) • 312-199 (17th full season overall) • 128-117 (ninth season at SDSU)

Assistant Head Coach: Brian Dutcher (Minnesota, 1982) **Assistant Coaches:** Justin Hutson (CS Bakersfield, 1994), Mark Fisher (Michigan, 2001)

Director of Basketball Operations: Matt Soria (San Diego State, 2002)

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► WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCES

For the eighth consecutive season, Steve Fisher will conduct a weekly news conference, followed by selected players.

Food courtesy of Da Kine's will be provided prior to the news conference.

The next news conference scheduled for Cox Arena on the Mezzanine Level will be announced at a later date. Contact the media relations office for specific times.

► MWC TELECONFERENCE

SDSU coach Steve Fisher will take part in the MWC weekly conference call every Monday beginning in January. More details will be available at a later date.

► GOAZTECS.COM

The official website of SDSU athletics, goaztecs.com, includes pregame notes, game and season statistics, postgame notes and quotes and quotes from weekly news conferences. The website is updated daily.

Storylines

► The Aztecs are looking for their second straight 2-0 start in as many years. Last year, San Diego State defeated Murray State and Saint Mary's in its first two games. Only three times during the Steve Fisher era has SDSU started a season at 2-0.

► San Diego State is looking for consecutive 2-0 starts since doing it in 1994-95 and 1995-96. SDSU has started 2-0 only five times at the Division I level.

► Although not a tournament, San Diego State owns a 38-39 Division I record in multiple-game in-season events. After going 3-0 at the Shamrock Invitational, the Aztecs claimed their first "event championship" since winning the four-team, two-game 1987 Holiday Bowl Classic in San Diego. It was also the first in-season title to an event it did not host since the 1984 UNLV Roundup. To the right are San Diego State's results during the Steve Fisher era.

► The Aztecs are looking for the seventh in-season event victory of the Division I era. San Diego State claimed tournament titles in the 1977 Cabrillo Classic (San Diego, Calif.), 1981 Cabrillo Classic (San Diego, Calif.), 1984 UNLV Roundup (Las Vegas, Nev.), the 1987 Holiday Bowl Classic (San Diego, Calif.) and the 2006 Shamrock Invitational.

► IN-SEASON EVENTS

Below is a look at multiple-game in-season events during the Steve Fisher era.

Category	Record	Place
'01 Ford Red Raider Classic	1-1	na
'03 EA Sports Maui Inv.	2-1	3rd
'05 BP Top of the World	2-1	3rd
'06 Shamrock Invitational	3-0	1st
'07 World Vision Classic	1-0	

Aztecs Open Season With Victory Over Liberty

San Diego State (1-0) defeated Liberty (0-1), 62-50, on Friday evening in the opening game of the World Vision Classic presented by Pape'.

SDSU shot 46.7 percent from the field and held Liberty to 34.0 percent shooting. The Aztecs outrebounded Liberty, 32-28, thanks to a game-high seven rebounds from Billy White.

Kyle Spain led the Aztecs with 14 points, while White had 13 points and Lorenzo Wade had 12. Spain led the team in scoring for the fifth time in his SDSU career.

The game was close early as Liberty led 10-9 with 8:55 left in the first half following a layup by Rell Porter. SDSU then scored six straight points to give SDSU a 15-10 lead following a dunk by White with 5:59 until halftime.

San Diego State outscored Liberty 8-2 in the final two minutes of the period to lead 27-19 at halftime. To open the second half, the Aztecs went on a 16-3 run to lead 43-22 following a jumper by Ryan Amoroso with 12:50 left in the game. Amoroso, playing in his first game as an Aztec, contributed nine points and five rebounds in a starting role.

San Diego State maintained the double digit lead the rest of the game.

With freshmen D.J. Gay and Tim Shelton earning the starting nod, the duo became the 10th and 11th freshmen to start a season-opening game under Steve Fisher and the fifth and sixth under Fisher while at San Diego State. The pair joined Juwan Howard, Jalen Rose, Chris Webber, Jerod Ward, Albert White, Bradley Jackson, Steve Sir, Brandon Heath and Richie Williams as the only freshmen to start a season opener during Fisher's tenure as head coach.

The win improves the Aztecs' record in season-opening games to 7-2 under Fisher and SDSU has now won three consecutive season openers for the first time since doing it in 1999-00, 2000-01 and 2001-02.

Rell Porter led Liberty with 14 points and six rebounds. Anthony Smith added 11 points. Alex McLean grabbed a team-high seven boards.

Noting the Liberty Game

► With freshmen D.J. Gay and Tim Shelton earning the starting nod yesterday, they became the 10th and 11th freshmen to start a season-opening game under Steve Fisher and the fifth and sixth under Fisher while at San Diego State. The pair joined Juwan Howard, Jalen Rose, Chris Webber, Jerod Ward, Albert White, Bradley Jackson, Steve Sir, Brandon Heath and Richie Williams as the only freshmen to start a season opener during Fisher's tenure as head coach.

► With Gay and Shelton in the starting lineup, it marked the first time in Fisher's career at SDSU that two freshmen started a season-opening contest.

► With the win, the Aztecs improved to 7-2 under Fisher, 20-18 at the Division I era and 55-32 in school history.

► San Diego State has won three consecutive season openers for the first time since doing it in 1999-00, 2000-01 and 2001-02.

► Fisher improved to 14-3 in season-opening games.

► With the win, San Diego State has won three straight season-opening games following an appearance in a postseason tournament for the first time in school history. Following its 2003 NIT berth, SDSU won its 2003-04 opener vs. Long Beach State. Then after its 2006 NCAA appearance, SDSU defeated Murray State last year. In 2006-07, the Aztecs advanced to the NIT.

► Despite winning the only meeting between the schools yesterday, Fisher's Aztecs have now won the last five meetings with Liberty head coach Ritchie McKay. Prior to arriving at Liberty this past spring, McKay coached Mountain West Conference member, New Mexico.

► In his first game as an Aztec, Billy White came off the bench and had 13 points and a game-high seven rebounds. He was also 5-for-8 shooting and 3-3 from the charity stripe.

► Kyle Spain shared game-high honors with 14 points to lead the Aztecs in scoring for the fifth time in his career. Spain was perfect from the free throw line making all six attempts.

► Lorenzo Wade scored 12 points in the game to record his 23rd career double-figure scoring game.

► In his homecoming, Fresno native and freshman Tim Shelton had nine points and four rebounds.

► The 12-point victory for SDSU over Liberty is the widest margin of victory in a season-opening game over a Division I opponent since defeating Long Beach State, 74-44, on Nov. 24, 2003. The last time the Aztecs disposed of a team by at least 12 points in a season-opening game that took place away from San Diego since defeating Northern Iowa, 71-57, in

SCHEDULE/RESULTS (1-0 OVERALL/0-0 MOUNTAIN WEST)

Date	Opponent (Television)	Time/Result	Note	Record	RPI	Sagarin
World Vision Classic (Fresno, Calif.)						
N.9	vs. Liberty	W, 62-50	► Won third straight season oepner since '99-00, '00-01, '01-02	1-0	---	280
N.10	vs. Portland	8:00 p.m. PT	► Aztecs and Pilots to play for first time since 2003	0-1	---	225
N.11	at Fresno State	4:00 p.m. PT	► SDSU leads all-time series 51-48; beat #21/16 Fresno State, 93-78, in 2001	1-0	---	109
N.17	UC SAN DIEGO	7:00 p.m. PT	► Aztecs have won all eight meetings in the series	0-0	---	---
N.19	at San Diego	7:00 p.m. PT	► SDSU has won four of the last five meetings with the Toreros	1-0	---	138
N.24	at California	3:00 p.m. PT	► Aztecs snapped a 7-game losing streak to the Pac-10 w/win over Cal last year	0-0	---	75
N.28	at Loyola Marymount	7:05 p.m. PT	► SDSU has won two straight in the series, but has lost last two in Los Angeles	0-1	---	180
D.1	WESTERN MICHIGAN	7:30 p.m. PT	► Aztecs lost last season in Kalamazoo; SDSU is 1-2 all-time vs. WMU	0-0	---	127
D.4	UC RIVERSIDE	7:00 p.m. PT	► SDSU has won all six meetings with UC Riverside	0-0	---	308
John R. Wooden Classic (Anaheim, Calif.)						
D.8	vs. Saint Mary's	Noon PT	► SDSU claimed a 74-73 win at Saint Mary's last season; all-time series tied at 3-3	1-0	---	100
D.17	NAVY (CSTV)	7:00 p.m. PT	► First meeting since 1984; SDSU has won both meetings in the series	1-0	---	273
D.22	at Arizona (FSN Arizona)	1:00 p.m. MT	► SDSU has lost five straight to UA and is only 1-12 in Tucson	0-0	---	14
D.28	SAM HOUSTON STATE (The Mtn.)	8:00 p.m. PT	► First meeting in the history of both universities	0-0	---	156
J.5	*TCU (The Mtn.)	7:00 p.m. PT	► SDSU has won 4 of last 5 MWC openers; won two straight over Frogs in San Diego	0-0	---	181
J.9	NORTHERN COLORADO	7:00 p.m. PT	► SDSU is 2-0 all-time vs. UNC with only meetings coming in 1962 and 1971	1-0	---	316
J.12	*at New Mexico (The Mtn.)	7:00 p.m. MT	► Aztecs have won two straight at The Pit, including last year's game in overtime	1-0	---	110
J.16	*UTAH (The Mtn.)	8:00 p.m. PT	► SDSU rallied from 11-point second-half deficit to win by 10 last year at Cox	1-0	---	111
J.19	*WYOMING (CSTV)	8:00 p.m. PT	► Aztecs look to avenge only MWC home loss and their second at Cox in '06-07	0-0	---	121
J.23	*at Brigham Young (The Mtn.)	6:00 p.m. MT	► SDSU has lost two straight in Provo; BYU handed SDSU worst loss of '06-07	0-0	---	62
J.26	*UNLV (VERSUS)	1:00 p.m. PT	► Aztecs have won 3 of last 4 vs. UNLV at Cox, including two straight	1-0	---	52
J.29	*at Colorado State (The Mtn.)	7:00 p.m. MT	► SDSU has defeated CSU each of last two seasons at Moby Arena	0-1	---	117
F.6	*AIR FORCE (The Mtn.)	8:00 p.m. PT	► Aztecs' 21-point win vs. #15/13 AFA was largest over ranked foe in school history	1-0	---	47
F.9	*at TCU (The Mtn.)	2:00 p.m. CT	► Aztecs open second-half schedule vs. Frogs; SDSU is 2-1 all-time in Fort Worth	0-0	---	181
F.13	*NEW MEXICO (The Mtn.)	8:00 p.m. PT	► SDSU is 5-1 vs. Lobos at Cox Arena since 2002	1-0	---	110
F.16	*at Utah (VERSUS)	2:00 p.m. MT	► Aztecs are 2-27 all-time at Utah with wins coming in 2006 and 1982	1-0	---	111
F.19	*at Wyoming (The Mtn.)	7:00 p.m. MT	► SDSU dropped season series with 80-71 loss last year in Laramie	0-0	---	121
F.23	*BRIGHAM YOUNG (CSTV)	8:00 p.m. PT	► Aztecs open game on 18-0 run to defeat #21/22 BYU for 2nd win over ranked team in '07	0-0	---	62
F.26	*at UNLV (CSTV)	7:00 p.m. PT	► SDSU has won two of last three at UNLV, but is only 4-17 overall	1-0	---	52
M.1	*COLORADO STATE (The Mtn.)	7:00 p.m. PT	► Aztecs have won six of seven meetings at home vs. CSU at since 2001	0-1	---	117
M.8	*at Air Force (The Mtn.)	1:00 p.m. MT	► SDSU has dropped four straight at Air Force	1-0	---	47
Phillips 66 Mountain West Conference Basketball Championships (Thomas & Mack Center, Las Vegas, Nev.)						
M.12-15 TBA		TBA	► Aztecs will look to win third MWC tournament title at arena where they won '02 crown			
* - Indicates Mountain West Conference game. Record, RPI and Sagarin is current as of Saturday, November 10, 2007.						

the 2001-02 opener in Lubbock, Texas.

- San Diego State has now responded from its last five losses with a victory and is 13-3 in the game following its last 16 losses.
- SDSU improves to 44-5 in the Steve Fisher era when allowing 50 points or less in a game. The 50 points allowed by the Aztecs were the fewest allowed in a road/neutral game since giving up 48 at Air Force on Jan. 11, 2003 (SDSU won 63-48).
- San Diego State has won 16 of its last 20 regular-season non-conference games dating back to the 2005-06 campaign.
- The Aztecs are an impressive 18-12 in their last 30 road/neutral games.
- San Diego State is 66-10 in the Steve Fisher era when owning a higher field goal percentage and a rebound edge in the same game.
- San Diego State has won nine consecutive games played during the month of November.

A Quick Look at Portland

- Portland is coming off a season in which it finished 9-23 and 4-10 in the West Coast Conference.
- The Pilots were picked to finish in seventh place in the eight-team WCC. Gonzaga, Saint Mary's, San Diego, Santa Clara, San Francisco and Pepperdine were picked ahead of them.
- Portland returns starters Taishi Ito and Sherrard Watson to the squad, in addition to three other lettermen.
- In the first of two exhibition games, the Pilots dropped a narrow, 66-64, decision to Western Oregon. Portland was led by Nik Raivio with 14 points.
- To end the exhibition season, Portland bounced back with a convincing 96-67 victory over Concordia. The Pilots had four players in double figures with Walter Thompson recording 24 points, Raivio scoring 13 and Luke Sikma and Sherrard Watson each posting 12.

San Diego State-Portland: The Series

- The meeting between San Diego State and Portland will be the eighth in the history of the series with the Pilots owning a 5-2 lead.
- The two schools last met in San Diego on Dec. 31, 2003, with SDSU emerging with a 67-61 victory. That day, Aerick Sanders went for a career-best 34 points on 13-of-20 shooting (8-11 FT) and added 14 rebounds. The biggest basket came from Chris Walton, who hit a shot with 53.2 seconds left in the game and the score tied at 61. His bucket triggered a 6-0 San Diego State run to finish the game.
- Prior to the game in San Diego, the Aztecs made the trip to Portland in 2002 and were handed a 91-86 loss.
- Both of San Diego State's wins in the series have come in "America's Finest City." However, this meeting will be the first on neutral turf.
- Head coach Steve Fisher is 2-1 all time vs. the Pilots.
- Against current members of the West Coast Conference, SDSU is 76-89, while Steve Fisher is 13-9 against the conference.

► THE SERIES

Portland

Series: Portland leads, 5-2

Home: 2-0, Away: 0-5, Neutral: 0-0

Date	Location		Score
D.16.54	Portland	L	85-94
J.6.55	San Diego (AG)	W	82-60
D.18.59	Portland (TR)	L	46-63
D.22.64	Portland	L	73-76
D.23.64	Portland	L	61-62
N.27.02	Portland	L	86-91
D.31.03	San Diego (CA) (d)	W	67-61

AG - indicates Aztec Gym; TR- indicates Tournament of Roses (Portland, Ore.), CA - indicates Cox Arena. d - indicates day game.

SAN DIEGO STATE GAME NOTES

A Quick Look at Fresno State

- Fresno State is coming off a postseason NIT appearance where it fell in the first round and finished 2006-07 with a 22-10 record (10-6 WAC).
- The Bulldogs welcome three players who redshirted last season, including Rekalin Sims from Kentucky and Bryan Harvey from Louisville.
- Fresno State also returns Hector Hernandez (10.8 ppg), Eddie Miller (10.2) and Kevin Bell, who ranked 27th in the nation in assists (5.5) last year.
- In its first exhibition, the Bulldogs cruised to a 97-67 win over Western Washington after scoring 61 points in the second half. Hernandez led Fresno State with 23 points and Bell added 21.
- To wrap up the preseason, Fresno State walked away with an 87-68 win over Fresno Pacific. Five players scored 10-plus points with Eddie Miller's 25 leading the way.

San Diego State-Fresno State: The Series

- The game between San Diego State and Fresno State will mark the 100th in the series. The 99 previous meetings is the most against any opponent in school history, easily outdistancing itself from the 88 all-time meetings between UC Santa Barbara and SDSU, which is the second most in program history.
- Overall, the Aztecs hold a slim edge over the Bulldogs in the all-time series, 51-48. However, in games played in Fresno, SDSU trails 16-29.
- The two old Western Athletic Conference members will be playing one another for the first time since Dec. 8, 2001, when the Aztecs defeated then No. 21/16 Fresno State, 93-78, inside Cox Arena. The win snapped SDSU's six-game losing streak to ranked opponents thanks to 25 points from Al Faux. Another note on the game ... it was the Aztecs' second victory over a nationally ranked team in their last 31 games against ranked opposition.
- The series has been one of streaks. The Aztecs started the series in 1940 by winning the first eight meetings and 15 of the first 16. As the series progressed, SDSU went on to win 29 of the first 33 contests, going up to 1956. Beginning with the second game of the season series in 1956, the Bulldogs won three straight and 15 of the next 18. During that 18-game span, FSU ran off six consecutive victories as well. After trading wins for a few seasons, in 1969, the Aztecs lost five in a row and then won the next eight. It wasn't until 1985 that another streak began as Fresno State won seven straight and 17 of 18 before SDSU pulled the upset in 2001.
- Similar to the game vs. Liberty, San Diego State will see another familiar face in Fresno State head coach Steve Cleveland. The third-year coach held the same position at Brigham Young for eight years before arriving in The Valley. His Cougar teams terrorized SDSU, posting a record of 11-5 vs. the Aztecs. However, against Steve Fisher-led teams, Cleveland was just 7-5 with Fisher guiding his team to five wins in their last eight encounters.

Starting the Season Off Right

Under Steve Fisher, the Aztecs have started the season off with a victory seven times in nine seasons. San Diego State began the Fisher era with three straight wins, but have won four of the last six with victories coming in 2003-04 against Long Beach State, in 2005-06 at Alaska Fairbanks, last year vs. Murray State and on Friday vs. Liberty. In the two losses, the Aztecs were competitive in both as they fell, 75-70, to Eastern Washington in 2002-03 and in overtime to UC Santa Barbara, 80-72, in 2004-05.

In-Season Event = Postseason?

During Steve Fisher's tenure, the Aztecs have played in four in-season events with three to start a season. On those three occasions, the 2001 Ford Red Raider Classic, the 2005 BP Top of the World Classic and the 2006 Shamrock Invitational, San Diego State went on to advance to the postseason. In 2001-02, SDSU fell to Texas Tech in the championship game, but recorded a 21-12 record and won the MWC Tournament title en route to a first-round matchup with Illinois. In 2005-06, the Aztecs claimed third place in Alaska, posted a school-record 24 victories, won both the MWC regular season and tournament crowns and earned an NCAA date with Indiana in the postseason. And last year after going 3-0 at the Shamrock Invite, the Aztecs earned a spot in the NIT.

Freshmen in Starting Lineup

With junior point guard Richie Williams serving a team suspension, true freshman D.J. Gay earned the starting nod against Liberty. Tim Shelton, another true freshman, also found himself in the starting five as well vs. Liberty. Gay and Shelton became just the 10th and 11th freshmen to start a season opener under Steve Fisher. Only four times before had a freshman started a season opener under Fisher at SDSU and that oddly was Williams in 2005 at Alaska Fairbanks. Gay and Shelton joined elite company as only Juwan Howard, Jalen Rose, Chris Webber, Jerod Ward, Albert White, Bradley Jackson, Steve Sir, Brandon Heath and Williams have received the starting nod from Fisher as freshman to open a season.

► THE SERIES

Fresno State

Series: San Diego State leads, 51-48

Home: 34-17, Away: 16-29, Neutral: 1-2

Date	Location	Score
J.5.40	*San Diego (AG)	W 42-29
J.6.40	*San Diego (AG)	W 62-24
J.10.41	*San Diego (AG)	W 45-31
J.11.41	*San Diego (AG)	W 45-31
J.24.41	*Fresno	W 46-39
J.25.41	*Fresno	W 52-38
F.6.42	*San Diego (AG)	W 36-35
F.7.42	*San Diego (AG)	W 37-26
F.20.42	*Fresno	L 30-59
F.21.42	*Fresno	W 48-46
J.18.46	San Diego (AG)	W 48-29
J.19.46	San Diego (AG)	W 57-33
F.8.46	Fresno	W 38-33
F.9.46	Fresno	W 52-40
J.10.47	*Fresno	W 51-29
F.14.47	*San Diego (AG)	W 45-31
F.15.47	*San Diego (AG)	L 35-37
F.6.48	*San Diego (AG)	W 43-38
F.7.48	*San Diego (AG)	W 57-47
F.27.48	*Fresno	L 64-70
J.14.49	*Fresno	W 63-54
F.25.49	*San Diego (AG)	W 71-51
F.18.50	*Fresno	L 55-61
F.25.50	*San Diego (AG)	W 84-65
J.13.51	*San Diego (AG)	W 69-52
J.27.51	*Fresno	W 54-49
J.12.53	*San Diego (AG)	W 71-56
M.2.53	*Fresno	W 82-79
J.9.54	*San Diego (AG)	W 66-51
J.30.54	*Fresno	W 78-67
J.29.55	*Fresno	W 73-56
F.11.55	*San Diego (AG)	W 82-64
J.27.56	Fresno	W 96-88
J.28.56	Fresno	L 86-88
F.8.57	*San Diego (AG)	L 78-83
F.9.57	*San Diego (AG)	L 55-71
J.10.58	*San Diego (AG)	ot-W 73-71
J.31.58	*Fresno	L 65-93
M.4.58	^N-Los Angeles	ot-L 73-76
J.30.59	*Fresno	L 59-73
F.20.59	*San Diego (AG)	W 74-69
J.23.60	*San Diego (AG)	L 57-61
J.29.60	*Fresno	L 62-80
J.14.61	*Fresno	L 53-54
F.18.61	*San Diego (AG)	L 60-64
J.13.62	*San Diego (PG)	L 65-77
F.17.62	*Fresno	L 69-73
J.11.63	*San Diego (PG)	ot-W 65-60
F.15.63	*Fresno	L 56-64
J.11.64	*Fresno	L 63-74
F.15.64	*San Diego (PG)	L 61-68

J.16.65	*San Diego (PG)	W	69-67
F.20.65	*Fresno	L	72-90
J.14.66	*Fresno	L	49-86
F.18.66	*San Diego (PG)	W	69-66
J.14.67	*San Diego (PG)	W	84-63
F.18.67	*Fresno	L	62-76
J.12.68	*Fresno	W	71-60
F.16.68	*San Diego (PG)	W	86-70
J.11.69	San Diego (PG)	L	78-91
F.15.69	Fresno	L	69-87
J.30.70	*San Diego (PG)	L	86-88
F.13.70	*Fresno	L	91-100
J.30.71	*Fresno	L	96-97
F.13.71	*San Diego (PG)	W	106-95
F.4.72	*San Diego (SA)	W	73-72
M.4.72	*Fresno	W	90-80
J.13.73	*Fresno	W	79-71
M.3.73	*San Diego (SA)	W	76-75
J.19.74	*San Diego (PG)	W	57-56
F.16.74	*Fresno	W	80-78
J.30.75	*San Diego (PG)	W	73-60
M.2.75	*Fresno (d)	L	64-68
J.31.76	*San Diego (PG)	W	103-84
F.26.76	*Fresno	L	82-87
J.27.77	*Fresno	L	61-77
F.19.77	*San Diego (PG)	W	80-58
M.2.77	*San Diego (PG) (IR)	W	51-41
J.21.78	*Fresno	L	49-59
F.16.78	*San Diego (SA)	W	45-41
D.28.85	San Diego (SA) (HB)	L	49-61
J.30.93	*San Diego (PG) (d)	L	67-72
F.6.93	*Fresno	L	70-78
J.27.94	*Fresno	L	59-76
F.3.94	*San Diego (PG)	L	79-93
J.21.95	*San Diego (PG)	L	65-69
F.11.95	*Fresno	L	58-66
M.8.95	^N-Albuquerque (IR)	W	71-57
J.18.96	*Fresno	L	67-79
F.8.96	*San Diego (SA)	ot-L	89-99
J.30.97	*Fresno	L	71-87
M.1.97	*San Diego (SA) (d)	L	92-103
J.31.98	*San Diego (CA)	L	94-97
F.26.98	*Fresno	L	70-86
M.5.98	^N-Las Vegas (QF)	L	57-92
J.28.99	*Fresno	L	80-101
F.25.99	*San Diego (CA)	L	84-95
N.27.00	Fresno	L	62-70
D.8.01	San Diego (CA) (21/16)	W	93-78

AG - indicates Aztec Gym; PG - indicates Peterson Gym, IR - indicates first round, HB - indicates Holiday Bowl Classic (San Diego, Calif.), SA - indicates San Diego Sports Arena, QF - indicates quarterfinal round, CA - indicates Cox Arena. d - indicates day game.

vs. the Aztecs. However, against Steve Fisher-led teams, Cleveland was just 7-

Homecoming for Shelton

San Diego State freshman forward Tim Shelton returned home after beginning school only a couple of months ago. A native of Fresno, Shelton returned to the city where he played high school basketball at Clovis West High. Shelton and the Aztecs will be taking the court at the Save Mart Center, which is only 5.2 miles away from Shelton's high school alma mater. In his first collegiate game in his hometown, Shelton played 28 minutes and recorded nine points, four rebounds, two steals and an assist vs. Liberty.

Aztecs Picked to Finish in Tie for Fourth

San Diego State has been picked to finish in a tie for fourth place in the Mountain West Conference's 2007-08 pre-season men's basketball media poll released Oct. 17, at the league's media day being held at The Mtn. studios in Littleton, Colo.

The Aztecs, 2007 NIT participants, earned 128 points along with New Mexico (two first-place votes) and also received one first-place vote. Brigham Young was picked to win the league with 181 points and 15 first-place votes, followed by UNLV (146 pts; 2 first-place votes) and Utah (142; 2).

After SDSU and New Mexico in sixth place was Wyoming (120), with TCU (7th, 58), Air Force (8th, 54) and Colorado State (9th, 33) rounding out the poll.

San Diego State junior forward Ryan Amoroso was the lone Aztec to garner individual accolades as he was voted as the league's top newcomer. Amoroso, a transfer from Marquette who sat out last season, becomes the second SDSU player in the last three years to earn that distinction. Recently departed senior Mohamed Abukar earned the same recognition heading into the 2005-06 campaign.

Not So Newcomers

Even though they are classified as "newcomers," Ryan Amoroso and Kelvin Davis are anything but that. The pair make up for 33 percent of the team's newcomers, but it is their experience prior to arriving on Montezuma Mesa that would dispute their classification.

Amoroso played in 57 games, while making eight starts in his two-year stint at Marquette. During his time there, the Golden Eagles went 39-23 and advanced to the 2005 National Invitation Tournament and the 2006 NCAA Tournament. Davis, meanwhile, played in 24 games his freshman season at UTEP and was a part of a Miner team that 27-8 and earned a berth in the NCAA Tournament. And although he redshirted the following season, Davis was a part of a UTEP squad that ended the season at 21-10 and advanced to the second round of the NIT.

When compared to last year's five newcomers, only Lorenzo Wade had prior Division I college experience. Wade saw action in 35 games at Louisville as a freshman and helped lead the Cardinals to a 33-5 record and a spot in the NCAA Final Four.

Experience Counts

With only one senior on the roster some may think the Aztecs are young. Although there is some truth to that, the players San Diego State has returning are definitely battle tested. The seven returners, along with the additions of Ryan Amoroso and Kelvin Davis, have all been a part of winning teams that have won at least 20 games and squads that have advanced to postseason play. Of the nine to advance to the postseason, seven have been to an NCAA Tournament and eight have been on teams to win at least one game in the postseason. Last year, SDSU only had eight players who had tasted the postseason and were part of 20-win ballclubs. Of the eight, only Lorenzo Wade experienced winning a postseason game.

Player	No. of 20+ win seasons	NCAA App.	NIT App.	Postseason Wins
Lorenzo Wade	3: 35-5 (2004-05) [^] ; 24-9 (2006-07); 22-11 (2006-07)	2004-05 [^] ; 2005-06	2006-07	5
Chris Lamb	2: 24-9 (2005-06); 22-11 (2006-07)	2005-06	2006-07	1
Kyle Spain	2: 24-9 (2005-06); 22-11 (2006-07)	2005-06	2006-07	1
Matt Thomas	2: 24-9 (2005-06); 22-11 (2006-07)	2005-06	2006-07	1
Richie Williams	2: 24-9 (2005-06); 22-11 (2006-07)	2005-06	2006-07	1
Ryan Amoroso	2: 20-11 (2005-06) ^{\$} ; 22-11 (2006-07)	2005-06 ^{\$}	2004-05 ^{\$} ; 2006-07	0
Kelvin Davis	2: 27-8 (2004-05) [#] ; 21-10 (2005-06) [#]	2004-05 [#]	2005-06 [#]	1
Jer'Vaughn Johnson	1: 22-11 (2006-07)	--	2005-06	1
Jon Pastorek	1: 22-11 (2006-07)	--	2005-06	1
^{\$} - on the Marquette roster				
[#] - on the UTEP roster				
[^] - on the Louisville roster				

Playing With a Full Deck

San Diego State advanced to their second straight postseason tournament last year despite playing with only 11 full scholarships, two below the maximum. It can be argued that the Aztecs were really only playing with 10 scholarship players since Matt Thomas missed all but two games in 2006-07 with a back injury. This season all of that will change as SDSU heads into fall with a roster that includes the maximum 13 scholarship players.

Seasoned Veterans

Despite losing seasoned veterans Brandon Heath and Mohamed Abukar to graduation, San Diego State is set to return a group that is more experienced this year than the one a year ago. The 2007-08 edition of the Aztecs have played a combined 414 career Division I college basketball games and made 163 starts. This year's career games played trumps the same figure going into 2006-07 when that group played a combined 325 games, while making 182 starts.

Fisher Enters Ninth Season on Montezuma Mesa

Head coach Steve Fisher begins his ninth season at San Diego State tonight. The national championship coach has compiled an Aztec record of 128-

► MWC MEDIA POLL		
Below is the Mountain West Conference pre-season media poll released Oct. 17.		
Pl.	Team (1st place votes)	Points
1.	Brigham Young (15)	181
2.	UNLV (2)	146
3.	Utah (2)	142
4.	San Diego State (1)	128
	New Mexico (2)	
6.	Wyoming	120
7.	TCU	58
8.	Air Force	54
9.	Colorado State	33
Preseason All-MWC		
Trent Plaisted, Brigham Young		
J.R. Giddens, New Mexico		
Wink Adams, UNLV		
Luke Nevill, Utah		
Brandon Ewing, Wyoming		
Top Returning Player		
Brandon Ewing, Wyoming		
Top Newcomer		
Ryan Amoroso, San Diego State		
Top Freshman		
Jimmer Fredette, Brigham Young		

117, led them to three 20-plus win seasons and trips to the 2002 and 2006 NCAA Tournaments and the 2003 and 2007 postseason NITs. In 2003, Fisher coached SDSU to its first-ever Division I postseason tournament victory and last season guided the Aztecs to their first Division I postseason road win. In addition to having a career 312-199 record, Fisher led San Diego State to the 2002 and 2006 Mountain West Conference tournament titles, making it the only MWC school to win multiple conference tourney crowns, and the 2006 MWC regular season championship.

In Mint Condition

- San Diego State returns two starters and seven letterwinners off a squad which...
 - Went 22-11, earned their second consecutive postseason tournament and advanced to the second round of the NIT.
 - Won a postseason tournament contest for the second time in the school's Division I history and the second time in five seasons.
 - Won 22+ games for the second straight season, reaching the 20-win plateau for the third time during Steve Fisher's tenure and the fifth time in SDSU's DI history.
 - Won 10 Mountain West Conference games marking just the second time an SDSU squad has posted double-figure wins in MWC play.
 - Beat Missouri State (No. 36), in addition to Air Force (No. 30), UNLV (No. 10) and Brigham Young (No. 18), representing four of the top seven wins in school history based on final RPI rankings since 1993-94.
 - Posted the third-most victories (22) in the school's Division I history.
- San Diego State returns Lorenzo Wade, a starter who earned all-MWC honorable mention accolades, and point guard Richie Williams, the league's top returning player in assists and steals and the MWC's second-leader returner in assist-to-turnover ratio. He is also a two-year starter at the position for the Aztecs.
- San Diego State returns six players from last year's team that have started a Division I basketball game over the course of their career. Overall, SDSU will have eight players on this season's squad with Division I starting experience with the addition of Ryan Amoroso and Kelvin Davis.
- The Aztecs will have 414 career Division I college basketball games and 163 starts to their credit when the season tips off. Last year's group when into 2006-07 with only 325 games (182 starts) of experience.
- San Diego State welcomes six new players to this season's team, including Ryan Amoroso, a 6-8 forward. Amoroso, who will be a junior this season, played in 57 games in two seasons at Marquette, where it advanced to the postseason twice. He logged 10 or more minutes 47 times and scored a career-best 30 points and grabbed a career-high tying 12 rebounds vs. South Carolina in 2005-06.

What's Back

San Diego State head coach Steve Fisher welcomes back seven letterwinners off a team that finished with a 22-11 overall record and advanced to the second round of the National Invitation Tournament. Headlining the group is all-MWC honorable mention selection Lorenzo Wade and returning two-year starter Richie Williams. Besides the returning starting duo, SDSU brings back junior Kyle Spain and adds Marquette transfer Ryan Amoroso to the mix.

The backcourt was left with a huge void with Brandon Heath graduated last year, but Williams enters his third season having started 64 games and is the team's and conference's leading returner in assists and steals. The junior from San Diego also finished the year ranked sixth in assist-to-turnover ratio and will come into '07-08 as the MWC's second-best player in the category.

Joining Williams in the backcourt is the experienced Matt Thomas. Thomas is a solid point guard who can give opposing teams fits with his size, strength and speed. The Riverside, Calif., native has played in 59 career games, but only saw action in two games last year due to a lingering back problem.

The frontline is an area where the Aztecs produce the most experience, especially with Wade and Spain as the cornerstones.

Wade returns to his spot in the lineup where he played in all 33 games, making 24 starts, and averaged 10.5 points and 5.3 rebounds in his first year as an Aztec. The junior's size and length was a major factor in San Diego State's success last year and the team looks forward to him returning as the player that finished the season ranked 4th in steals, 9th in blocked shots, 10th in defensive rebounds and 14th in assists.

Spain enters '07-08 having played in 59 career games and making 43 starts. The junior is a high-energy player who can knock down the outside shot as well as mix it up inside. Spain looks to be a good compliment to a frontline corps that uses its size and quickness to outplay its opposition.

Besides the aforementioned duo, the Aztecs have a well-seasoned group waiting in the wings in Chris Lamb, Jer'Vaughn Johnson and Jon Pastorek. The three combined to play a total of 75 games last year with Johnson seeing action in 31 of them. Johnson, a sophomore, is a big, physical presence in the low post and is not afraid to mix it up with anyone, while classmate Pastorek gives defenses a different look with his savvy perimeter play. Lamb, the most proven of the three, has put on extra muscle over the past year and is a reliable player who can play in a starting or reserve role.

Perhaps the most intriguing player in the frontcourt is Amoroso, who enters his first year on Montezuma Mesa having played two seasons at ultra-successful Marquette. As a Golden Eagle, Amoroso played on a team that advanced to the NIT and earned a berth in the NCAA Tournament, while averaging 5.8 points and 3.8 rebounds for his career. His two-year averages are not eye-popping, but there were a handful of ballgames where he put up double figures in points and rebounds, including his 30-point, 12-rebound performance vs. South Carolina when he was a sophomore.

SDSU Broadcast Roster



2
JER'VAUGHN JOHNSON

Forward
6-6, 240, Sophomore-1L
Compton, Calif.
Centennial High

PPG: 0.0 RPG: 1.0 APG: 0.0
FG%: 00.0 3FG: 00.0 FT%: 00.0



3
RICHIE WILLIAMS

Guard
5-10, 152, Junior-2L
San Diego, Calif.
Steele Canyon High

PPG: -- RPG: -- APG: --
FG%: -- 3FG: -- FT%: --



5
JON PASTOREK

Forward
6-10, 210, Sophomore-1L
Anaheim, Calif.
Canyon High

PPG: 0.0 RPG: 1.0 APG: 0.0
FG%: 00.0 3FG: 00.0 FT%: 00.0



10
BRYAN HORTON

Guard
6-1, 187, Freshman-HS
Anaheim, Calif.
Canyon High

PPG: -- RPG: -- APG: --
FG%: -- 3FG: -- FT%: --



15
KYLE SPAIN

Forward
6-5, 209, Junior-2L
Newark, Calif.
Newark Memorial High

PPG: 14.0 RPG: 4.0 APG: 0.0
FG%: 42.9 3FG: 40.0 FT%: 100.0



21
MATT THOMAS

Guard
6-4, 213, Junior-2L
Riverside, Calif.
Martin Luther King High

PPG: 0.0 RPG: 1.0 APG: 3.0
FG%: 00.0 3FG: 00.0 FT%: 00.0



23
D.J. GAY

Guard
6-0, 156, Freshman-HS
Sun Valley, Calif.
Poly High

PPG: 0.0 RPG: 1.0 APG: 3.0
FG%: 00.0 3FG: 00.0 FT%: 00.0



24
TIM SHELTON

Forward
6-7, 242, Freshman-HS
Fresno, Calif.
Clovis West High

PPG: 9.0 RPG: 4.0 APG: 1.0
FG%: 42.9 3FG: 100.0 FT%: 66.7



30
CHRIS LAMB

Center
6-10, 223, Junior-2L
Louisville, Colo.
Monarch High

PPG: -- RPG: -- APG: --
FG%: -- 3FG: -- FT%: --



31
LORRENZO WADE

Forward
6-6, 226, Junior-1L
Las Vegas, Nev.
Univ. of Louisville

PPG: 12.0 RPG: 3.0 APG: 3.0
FG%: 55.6 3FG: 40.0 FT%: 00.0



32
BILLY WHITE

Forward
6-8, 212, Freshman-HS
Las Vegas, Nev.
Green Valley High

PPG: 13.0 RPG: 7.0 APG: 1.0
FG%: 62.5 3FG: 00.0 FT%: 100.0



40
KELVIN DAVIS

Guard
6-3, 215, Junior-JC
Waterbury, Conn.
College of Southern Idaho

PPG: 5.0 RPG: 3.0 APG: 1.0
FG%: 25.0 3FG: 50.0 FT%: 100.0



43
RYAN AMOROSO

Forward
6-8, 257, Junior-TR
Burnsville, Minn.
Marquette Univ.

PPG: 9.0 RPG: 5.0 APG: 0.0
FG%: 66.7 3FG: 50.0 FT%: 00.0



Head Coach
STEVE FISHER

- 17th full season • 312-199
- 9th year at SDSU • 128-117
- 1989 NCAA champion
- 3 NCAA championship game appearances
- 8 NCAA Tournament appearances

San Diego State Coaches and Staff

Brian Dutcher, assistant head coach
Justin Hutson, assistant coach
Mark Fisher, assistant coach
Matt Soria, director - player develop.
Mark Haines, athletic trainer

2	Jer Vaughn Johnson Forward, 6-6, 240, So.-1L Compton, Calif. (Centennial High)	PPG 07-08 0.0 RPG 1.0 APG 0.0 FG 00.0 3FG 00.0 FT 00.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 17 vs. Campbell (12-12-06) Rebounds: 6 vs. Campbell (12-12-06) Assists: 1 - three times	A sophomore who played in 31 games as a freshman... Aggressive player who can get to the basket... Shot 58 percent from the field in '06-07... CH 17 pts., 6 rebs. vs. Campbell in just 18 mins last year... Made first career and only start at Washington State last season... Averaged 2.4 points and 1.9 rebounds last season... 1 rebound vs. Liberty.
3	Richie Williams Guard, 5-10, 152, Jr.-2L San Diego, Calif. (Steele Canyon High)	PPG 07-08 -- RPG -- APG -- FG -- 3FG -- FT -- MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 19 at BYU (2-22-06) Rebounds: 9 vs. So. Dak. St. (3-3-06) Assists: 11 vs. So. Dak. St. (3-3-06)	Currently serving a team suspension... A 2-year starter at PG... SDSU was 15-3 last year when he had at least 5 assists... Team leader in assists and steals in first two seasons... Shot 45.8% from 3-pt. range last year after connecting on 32.2% as a freshman... MWC returning leader in assists and steals... 7.0 ppg, 4.0 rpg, 4.6 apg as a sophomore.
5	Jon Pastorek Forward, 6-10, 210, So.-1L Anaheim, Calif. (Canyon High)	PPG 07-08 0.0 RPG 1.0 APG 0.0 FG 00.0 3FG 00.0 FT 00.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 13 vs. UCSD (11-15-06) Rebounds: 5 at UNLV (1-23-07) Assists: 2 - twice	A sophomore who played in 23 games as a freshman... Scored a career-high 13 points in career-high 20 minutes vs. UCSD... Has only four turnovers in his last 109 minutes dating back to last season... Made 13-of-27 of his field goals attempts as a freshman (48.0 percent)... 1.5 ppg and 0.8 rpg last year... 1 rebound vs. Liberty.
10	Bryan Horton Guard, 6-1, 187, Fr.-HS Anaheim, Calif. (Canyon High)	PPG 07-08 -- RPG -- APG -- FG -- 3FG -- FT -- MWC -- Career Highs: Points: -- Rebounds: -- Assists: --	A freshman walk-on who has seen plenty of practice time with the second unit in practice... Prepped at Canyon High in Anaheim, Calif., with teammate Jon Pastorek in 2005-06... Brings depth to the shooting guard position... Possesses xcellent size for a 6-1 guard... Runs the floor extremely well... Played 2 mins. vs. PLNU in exh. game.
15	Kyle Spain Forward, 6-5, 209, Jr.-2L Newark, Calif. (Newark Memorial High)	PPG 07-08 14.0 RPG 4.0 APG 0.0 FG 42.9 3FG 40.0 FT 100.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 22 vs. CSU (1-13-07) Rebounds: 12 vs. Wyoming (3-11-06) Assists: 5 vs. Campbell (12-12-06)	SDSU was 1-0 this season and 17-2 in his career when he scores at least 10 pts... Is a 2-year letterwinner who has started 44 of the 60 games he has played in... Was perfect on all shot attempts as he scored 18 pts. vs. UCR (6-6 FGs, 1-1 3FGs, 5-5 FTs) last year... Had a career-high 22 pts. vs. CSU last year... Game-high 14 points (6-6 FT) vs. Liberty.
21	Matt Thomas Guard, 6-4, 204 Sr.-2L Riverside, Calif. (Martin Luther King High)	PPG 07-08 0.0 RPG 1.0 APG 3.0 FG 00.0 3FG 00.0 FT 00.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 20 vs. Air Force (2-28-05) Rebounds: 10 vs. UNLV (2-12-05) Assists: 7 vs. So. Miss. (11-20-05)	Only played in two games last season due to a lingering effects of back surgery that occurred in the summer of 2006... In each of his three seasons, he has more assists than turnovers... Has committed one turnover or less in 27 of the last 31 games he has played in... Only has 11 TOs in last 21 games (226 mins.)... 3 assists, 1 turnover vs. Liberty.
23	D.J. Gay Guard, 6-0, 156, Fr.-HS Sun Valley, Calif. (Poly High)	PPG 07-08 0.0 RPG 1.0 APG 3.0 FG 00.0 3FG 00.0 FT 00.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: -- Rebounds: 1 vs. Liberty (11-9-07) Assists: 3 vs. Liberty (11-9-07)	First freshman guard since Richie Williams to start a season-opener as a freshman under Fisher... Is a pure shooter who can knock down the three... Perhaps the quickest player on the team... Finished his final prep season averaging 29.4 pts. to rank fifth in Calif. and 21st in America... Started and had 3 assists vs. Liberty.
24	Tim Shelton Forward, 6-7, 242, Fr.-HS Fresno, Calif. (Clovis West High)	PPG 07-08 9.0 RPG 4.0 APG 1.0 FG 42.9 3FG 100.0 FT 66.7 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 9 vs. Liberty (11-9-07) Rebounds: 4 vs. Liberty (11-9-07) Assists: 1 vs. Liberty (11-9-07)	Joined Gay as the 10th and 11th freshmen to start a season opener in Fisher's career as head coach... Possesses great height and strength for a freshman... Is a force on the offensive glass... Can knock down the mid-range jumper... Is the son of former NBA player Lonnie Shelton... 9 pts., 4 rebs., vs. Liberty in starting role.
30	Chris Lamb Center, 6-10, 223, Jr.-2L Louisville, Colo. (Monarch High)	PPG 07-08 -- RPG -- APG -- FG -- 3FG -- FT -- MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 6 - twice Rebounds: 4 vs. UCSD (11-15-06) Assists: 2 vs. UCSD (11-15-06)	Is a two-year letterwinner who has the most experience at the center position... Made his first career start vs. Murray St. last season... Is 15-for-24 (.625) from the field in his career... Played 131 mins. last season after playing only 21 mins. as a freshman... Started four career games at center... 1 reb., 1 stl. vs. PLNU in exh. game.
31	Lorrenzo Wade Forward, 6-6, 226, Jr.-1L Las Vegas, Nev. (Hargrave Military Academy/Louisville)	PPG 07-08 12.0 RPG 3.0 APG 3.0 FG 55.6 3FG 40.0 FT 00.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 21 vs. Campbell (12-12-06) Rebounds: 12 vs. UNM (1-17-07) Assists: 9 vs. CSU (3-8-07)	Honorable mention all-MWC last season as a sophomore... Scored in 10+ pts. in 20 games as an Aztec... Has two career double-doubles... Has a steal in 26 of last 30 games dating back to last year... One of the MWC's top defenders... Returns as the team's leader in scoring, rebounding and blocked shots... 12 pts., 3 rebs., 3 assts. vs. Liberty.
32	Billy White Forward, 6-8, 212, Fr.-HS Las Vegas, Nev. (Green Valley High)	PPG 07-08 13.0 RPG 7.0 APG 1.0 FG 62.5 3FG 00.0 FT 100.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 13 vs. Liberty (11-9-07) Rebounds: 7 vs. Liberty (11-9-07) Assists: 1 vs. Liberty (11-9-07)	Tabbed as a preseason top 100 freshman by Sporting News... Is long and athletic and is considered one of the most athletic players on the team... Averaged 20.7 points, 14.0 rebounds, 3.4 assists and 2.3 blocks his senior season at Green Valley HS in Las Vegas... 13 pts., game-high 7 rebs. vs. Liberty off the bench.
40	Kelvin Davis Guard, 6-3, 215, Jr.-JC Waterbury, Conn. (Sacred Heart High/Coll. of So. Idaho)	PPG 07-08 5.0 RPG 3.0 APG 1.0 FG 25.0 3FG 50.0 FT 100.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 9 - twice Rebounds: 4 - twice Assists: 3 vs. Alabama St. (12-27-04)	A junior who played at ultra-successful College of Southern Idaho last season after playing at UTEP in 2004-05 and redshirting in 2005-06... Is a physical guard who can get to the basket and hit the long-range shot... Is expected to see action at shooting guard... 5 pts., 3 rebs., 2 stls. vs. Liberty.
43	Ryan Amoroso Forward, 6-8, 257, Jr.-TR Burnsville, Minn. (Burnsville High/Marquette)	PPG 07-08 9.0 RPG 5.0 APG 0.0 FG 66.7 3FG 50.0 FT 00.0 MWC -- Career Highs: Points: 30 vs. South Carolina (11-26-05) Rebounds: 12 - twice Assists: 2 - three times	The MWC preseason top newcomer... Is eligible this season after sitting out 2006-07 after transferring from Marquette... Is a big, physical presence... Is one of the better rebounders on the team... Can knock down the mid-range shot and is a good free throw shooter... 9 pts., 5 rebs. vs. Liberty.

2007-08 San Diego State Schedule/Results

Record: 1-0 (Home: 0-0, Away: 0-0, Neutral: 1-0)
Mountain West Conference: 0-0 (Home: 0-0, Away: 0-0)

SDSU		San Diego State High								
Date	NR	Opponent (Opp NR)	SDSU Result	W-L	Record	MWC	Scorer	Rebounder	Assists	Attendance
Nov. 9		~vs. Liberty	W 62-50	W1	1-0		Spain - 14	White - 7	Gay/Thomas/Wade - 3	
Nov. 10		~vs. Portland								
Nov. 11		~at Fresno State								
Nov. 17		UC SAN DIEGO								
Nov. 19		at San Diego								
Nov. 24		at California								
Nov. 28		at Loyola Marymount								
Dec. 1		WESTERN MICHIGAN								
Dec. 4		UC RIVERSIDE								
Dec. 8		#vs. Saint Mary's								
Dec. 17		NAVY								
Dec. 22		^at Arizona								
Dec. 28		SAM HOUSTON STATE								
Jan. 5		*TCU								
Jan. 9		NORTHERN COLORADO								
Jan. 12		*at New Mexico								
Jan. 16		*UTAH								
Jan. 19		*WYOMING								
Jan. 23		*at Brigham Young								
Jan. 26		*UNLV								
Jan. 29		*at Colorado State								
Feb. 6		*AIR FORCE								
Feb. 9		*at TCU								
Feb. 13		*NEW MEXICO								
Feb. 16		*at Utah								
Feb. 19		*at Wyoming								
Feb. 23		*BRIGHAM YOUNG								
Feb. 26		*at UNLV								
Mar. 1		*COLORADO STATE								
Mar. 8		*at Air Force								

Caps denotes home game. ~ - World Vision Classic (Fresno, Calif.). # - John R. Wooden Classic. ^ - Tucson Fiesta Bowl Showcase Classic. * - Indicates Mountain West Conference Game. c - Indicates capacity crowd. SDSU NR - Indicates San Diego State's national rankings in the *Associated Press* and *ESPN/USA Today* coaches polls at gametime. Opponent national ranking listed after opponent name (*Associated Press* and *ESPN/USA Today* coaches polls at gametime). Time to the right of opponent indicates time of the game-winning shot when less than 10 seconds remained. 1R - First Round; QF - Quarterfinal; SF - Semifinal; CH - Championship. 3P - Third-Place Game. Opponent seed listed left of team name.

Record/Attendance Summary

	G	W-L	Total	Average	High
Home	0	0-0	--	--	--
Mountain West	0	0-0	--	--	--
Away	0	0-0	--	--	--
Mountain West	0	0-0	--	--	--
Neutral	1	1-0	--	--	--
Total	0	0-0	--	--	--
Mountain West	0	0-0	--	--	--

Win/Loss Margin

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	34	36	37
Win												1																
Loss																												

2007-08 San Diego State Statistics

Record: 1-0 (Home: 0-0, Away: 0-0, Neutral: 1-0)

No.	Player	TOTAL						3-PTS				REBOUNDS												
		GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
15	SPAIN, Kyle	1	1	23	23.0	3-7	.429	2-5	.400	6-6	1.000	1	3	4	4.0	4	0	0	3	0	0	14	14.0	
32	WHITE, Billy	1	0	22	22.0	5-8	.625	0-0	.000	3-3	1.000	2	5	7	7.0	3	0	1	1	1	1	13	13.0	
31	WADE, Lorrenzo	1	1	34	34.0	5-9	.556	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	0	3	3	3.0	3	0	3	4	0	0	12	12.0	
24	SHELTON, Tim	1	1	28	28.0	3-7	.429	1-1	1.000	2-3	.667	1	3	4	4.0	1	0	1	1	0	2	9	9.0	
43	AMOROSO, Ryan	1	1	25	25.0	4-6	.667	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0	5	5	5.0	3	0	0	5	0	1	9	9.0	
40	DAVIS, Kelvin	1	0	22	22.0	1-4	.250	1-2	.500	2-2	1.000	1	2	3	3.0	2	0	1	4	0	2	5	5.0	
23	GAY, D.J.	1	1	22	22.0	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	2	0	3	3	0	0	0	0.0	
21	THOMAS, Matt	1	0	19	19.0	0-2	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	1	0	3	1	0	1	0	0.0	
05	PASTOREK, Jon	1	0	3	3.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0.0	
02	JOHNSON, Jer'Vaughn	1	0	2	2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
TM TEAM												1	1	2	2.0	0	0							
SAN DIEGO STATE		1	21-45				.467	7-18	.389	13-14	.929	6	26	32	32.0	21	0	12	22	2	7	62	62.0	
OPPONENTS		1	16-47				.340	7-23	.304	11-15	.733	9	19	28	28.0	18	-	11	21	2	9	50	50.0	

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	2OT	Total
SAN DIEGO STATE	27	35			62
OPPONENTS	19	31			50

2007-08 Team Game-By-Game

Opponent	Site/Date	FG-FGA	Pct	3P-3PA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def	Tot	PF	AT	TO	BS	ST	1st-2nd	Pts
SDSU vs. Liberty	N 11/9	21-45 16-47	.467 34.0	7-18 7-23	.389 .304	13-14 11-15	.929 .733	6-26 9-19	32 28	21 18	12 11	22 21	2 2	7 9	27-35 19-31	62 50
SDSU vs. Portland	N 11/10															
SDSU at Fresno State	A 11/11															
at SDSU UC San Diego	H 11/17															
SDSU at San Diego	A 11/19															
SDSU at California	A 11/24															
SDSU at Loyola Marymount	A 11/28															
at SDSU Western Michigan	H 12/1															
at SDSU UC Riverside	H 12/4															
SDSU vs. Saint Mary's	N 12/8															
at SDSU Navy	H 12/17															
SDSU at Arizona	A 12/22															
at SDSU Sam Houston State	H 12/28															
at SDSU TCU	H 1/5															
at SDSU Northern Colorado	H 1/9															
SDSU at New Mexico	A 1/12															
at SDSU Utah	H 1/16															
at SDSU Wyoming	H 1/19															
SDSU at Brigham Young	A 1/23															
at SDSU UNLV	H 1/26															
SDSU at Colorado State	A 1/29															
at SDSU Air Force	H 2/6															
SDSU at TCU	A 2/9															
at SDSU New Mexico	H 2/13															
SDSU at Utah	A 2/16															
SDSU at Wyoming	A 2/19															

2007-08 Team Game-By-Game (cont.)

Opponent	Site/Date	FG-FGA	Pct	3P-3PA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off-Def	Tot	PF	AT	TO	BS	ST	1st-2nd	Pts
SDSU	A															
at Wyoming	2/19															
at SDSU	H															
BYU	2/23															
SDSU	A															
at UNLV	2/26															
at SDSU	H															
Colorado State	3/1															
SDSU	A															
at Air Force	3/8															

2007-08 Individual Game-By-Game (Points/Rebs./Asts.)

	2	3	5	10	15	21	23	24	30	31	32	40	43
	Jer'Vaughn	Richie	Jon	Bryan	Kyle	Matt	D.J.	Tim	Chris	Lorenzo	Billy	Kelvin	Ryan
Opponent	Johnson	Williams	Pastorek	Horton	Spain	Thomas	Gay	Shelton	Lamb	Wade	White	Davis	Amoroso
~ vs. Liberty	0/1/0	TS	0/1/0	CD	14/4/0*	0/1/3	0/1/3*	9/4/1*	CD	12/3/3*	13/7/1	5/3/1	9/5/0*
~ vs. Portland													
~at Fresno State													
UC SAN DIEGO													
at San Diego													
at California													
at Loyola Marymount													
WESTERN MICHIGAN													
UC RIVERSIDE													
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*at Wyoming													
*BRIGHAM YOUNG													
*at UNLV													
*COLORADO STATE													
*at Air Force													

* - Indicates starter. CD – Did Not Play-Coach's Decision. DND - Did Not Dress. DNT - Did Not Travel. INJ – Did Not Play-Injured. TS - Team Suspension. ~ - World Vision Classic (Fresno, Calif.). # - John R. Wooden Classic. ^ - Tucson Fiesta Bowl Showcase Classic . * – Indicates Mountain West Conference Game.

2007-08 Starting Lineups

SF	PF	C	SG	PG	W-L	Record As SDSU Starter	Season	Career
Spain	Shelton	Amoroso	Wade	Gay	1-0	Jer'Vaughn Johnson	--	0-1
						Chris Lamb	--	4-0
						Kyle Spain	1-0	30-14
						Matt Thomas	--	7-11
						Lorenzo Wade	1-0	17-7
						Richie Williams		45-18
						Ryan Amoroso	1-0	1-0
						D.J. Gay	1-0	1-0
						Tim Shelton	1-0	1-0

Official Basketball Box Score -- GAME TOTALS -- FINAL STATISTICS

Liberty vs San Diego State

11/9/07 5:30 PM at Fresno, Calif. (Save Mart Center)

Liberty 50 • 0-1

#	Player		Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
21	McLEAN, Alex	f	2-8	0-0	2-2	1	6	7	2	6	0	1	0	0	32
33	PORTER, Rell	f	5-10	3-5	1-3	4	2	6	2	14	1	3	1	1	32
02	JENKINS, B.J.	g	2-5	1-3	0-0	1	2	3	3	5	3	5	0	3	25
05	SMITH, Anthony	g	3-11	2-8	3-4	0	2	2	3	11	3	4	0	3	35
15	BANNISTER, TeeJay	g	2-4	0-1	3-4	1	0	1	5	7	3	7	0	1	29
01	HOLLAND, Justin		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
04	SPENCER, James		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
10	LAFSER, Garen		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
11	OHMAN, Kyle		1-6	1-6	2-2	0	3	3	1	5	1	1	1	1	31
30	MONROE, Russell		0-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
44	JONES, Armon		1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	5
Team						2	3	5							
Totals			16-47	7-23	11-15	9	19	28	18	50	11	21	2	9	200

FG % 1st Half: 6-22 27.3%	2nd half: 10-25 40.0%	Game: 16-47 34.0%	Deadball Rebounds 0
3FG % 1st Half: 2-8 25.0%	2nd half: 5-15 33.3%	Game: 7-23 30.4%	
FT % 1st Half: 5-7 71.4%	2nd half: 6-8 75.0%	Game: 11-15 73.3%	

San Diego State 62 • 1-0

#	Player		Total	3-Ptr	FT-FTA	Rebounds			PF	TP	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Min
			FG-FGA	FG-FGA		Off	Def	Tot							
15	SPAIN, Kyle	f	3-7	2-5	6-6	1	3	4	4	14	0	3	0	0	23
24	SHELTON, Tim	f	3-7	1-1	2-3	1	3	4	1	9	1	1	0	2	28
31	WADE, Lorenzo	f	5-9	2-5	0-0	0	3	3	3	12	3	4	0	0	34
43	AMOROSO, Ryan	f	4-6	1-2	0-0	0	5	5	3	9	0	5	0	1	25
23	GAY, D.J.	g	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	3	3	0	0	22
02	JOHNSON, Jer'Vaughn		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
05	PASTOREK, Jon		0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	3
21	THOMAS, Matt		0-2	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	3	1	0	1	19
32	WHITE, Billy		5-8	0-0	3-3	2	5	7	3	13	1	1	1	1	22
40	DAVIS, Kelvin		1-4	1-2	2-2	1	2	3	2	5	1	4	0	2	22
Team						1	1	2							
Totals			21-45	7-18	13-14	6	26	32	21	62	12	22	2	7	200

FG % 1st Half: 9-24 37.5%	2nd half: 12-21 57.1%	Game: 21-45 46.7%	Deadball Rebounds 0
3FG % 1st Half: 2-10 20.0%	2nd half: 5-8 62.5%	Game: 7-18 38.9%	
FT % 1st Half: 7-8 87.5%	2nd half: 6-6 100.0%	Game: 13-14 92.9%	

Officials: Verne Harris (Ref), Chris Rastatter, Brian Shelley

Technical fouls: Liberty-None. San Diego State-None.

Attendance:

Score by periods	1st	2nd	Total
Liberty	19	31	50
San Diego State	27	35	62