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2011-12 Mountain West Conference Men's Basketball Standings
As of January 9, 2012 - 11:00 p.m. MT

Conference						Overall				
Team	(AP/Coaches)	W-L	Pct	H	A	W-L	Pct	H	A	N
UNLV	(12/12)	0-0	--	0-0	0-0	16-2	.889	10-0	4-2	2-0
New Mexico	(RV/RV)	0-0	--	0-0	0-0	14-2	.875	8-1	3-0	3-1
Wyoming		0-0	--	0-0	0-0	14-2	.875	11-0	3-2	0-0
San Diego State	(22/22)	0-0	--	0-0	0-0	13-2	.867	10-1	3-1	0-0
Air Force		0-0	--	0-0	0-0	10-4	.714	9-1	0-2	1-1
Colorado State		0-0	--	0-0	0-0	10-4	.714	6-1	2-3	2-0
Boise State		0-0	--	0-0	0-0	10-5	.667	9-0	0-5	1-0
TCU		0-0	--	0-0	0-0	9-5	.643	6-2	2-1	1-2



Remaining MWC Schedule

Day	Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sat.	Jan. 14	Boise State* (The Mtn.)	Boise, ID	4 p.m.
Wed.	Jan. 18	Wyoming* (The Mtn.)	USAFA	6 p.m.
Sat.	Jan. 21	San Diego State* (The Mtn.)	San Diego, CA	7 p.m.
Wed.	Jan. 25	TCU* (The Mtn.)	Fort Worth, TX	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	Jan. 28	UNLV* (The Mtn.)	USAFA	7 p.m.
Tues.	Jan. 31	New Mexico* (The Mtn.)	USAFA	8 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 4	Colorado State* (CBSSN)	Fort Collins, CO	3 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 11	Boise State* (CBSSN)	USAFA	7 p.m.
Wed.	Feb. 15	Wyoming* (The Mtn.)	Laramie, WY	6 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 18	San Diego State* (NBCSN)	USAFA	2 p.m.
Wed.	Feb. 22	TCU* (The Mtn.)	USAFA	6 p.m.
Sat.	Feb. 25	UNLV* (NBCSN)	Las Vegas, NV	1 p.m.
Wed.	Feb. 29	New Mexico* (The Mtn.)	Albuquerque, NM	6 p.m.
Sat.	Mar. 3	Colorado State* (The Mtn.)	USAFA	2 p.m.
Th.-Sat.	Mar. 8-10	MWC Championships	Las Vegas, NV	TBA

Home games in Bold



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A WORD FROM THE COACH

It's hard to believe that we are halfway through the 2011 - 12 season. Our team has had its share of ups and downs over the last three months but we continue to get better every day. Mike Lyons has not played the last six games due to an injury he sustained on the road against Gonzaga. In his absence, Todd Fletcher, Taylor Broekhuis, Mike Fitzgerald and Taylor Stewart have all raised their level of play to make up for the lost point production. In addition to our upper classmen, our younger guys have done a tremendous job filling in and taking advantage of the playing time they have earned.

It's been a total team effort over the first 14 games and my staff and I couldn't be prouder of their energy, effort and focus.

We dropped a tough game at home to in-state rival Colorado in overtime and played down to the wire on the road with now No.21 Gonzaga.

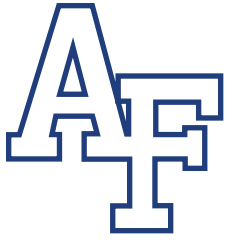
Our team fought and scrapped through arguably one of our toughest non-conference schedules and we head into MWC play at 10-4. We hope to carry the momentum from our last four victories with us as we face Boise State on the road this Saturday. This year the Mountain West Conference is as strong as it's ever been with two teams in the top 25 and another receiving votes. We are excited about the second half of our season and we encourage you to come out to Clune Arena and join us as we kick off another great year of Mountain West basketball.

Sincerely,



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NON-CONFERENCE RECAP

FLETCHER 22ND PLAYER TO REACH 200 ASSISTS

With his two assists against Texas-Pan American on Monday, junior Todd Fletcher became the 22nd player in school history to dish out 200 career assists. The school began keeping assists as a season total in 1972. Fletcher needs 12 assists to move past Jacob Burtschi (211) into the top 20.

FALCONS PLAYING SOLID "D" THIS SEASON

Air Force's defense has been very strong lately. After allowing an average of 62.2 points per game their first five games, the Falcons have allowed just 53.4 points per game their last nine. Opponents are shooting just 37.4 percent from the field and 30.1 percent from 3-point range this season and only two opponents (Colorado and Gonzaga) have shot better than 45 percent from the field and 40 percent from three-point land.

FITZGERALD NO. 5 ON AFA'S CAREER 3-POINT PERCENTAGE LIST

Junior Mike Fitzgerald attempted his 150th career 3-pointer against Johnson & Wales, making him eligible for Air Force's career list for three-point percentage. Fitzgerald is shooting 41.3 percent (66-for-160) for his career, placing him No. 5 on the list behind Matt McCraw (46.5%), Dan Nwaelele (45.1%), Andrew Henke (42.0%) and Tom Fow (41.8%).

FALCONS WIN INAUGURAL ALL-MILITARY CLASSIC

Air Force opened its 2011-12 season Nov. 11-12 with a pair of victories at the First Annual All-Military Classic. The Falcons used a second-half rally to defeat service-academy rival Army, 87-71, in the first round, then downed VMI, 75-65, in the championship game.

Junior guard Michael Lyons was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player after averaging 22 points and eight rebounds, while fellow junior Todd Fletcher was named to the all-tournament team after dishing out a career-high seven assists in each game.

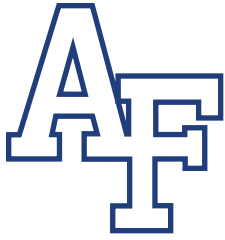
This was the first of a four-year contract for the All-Military Classic, with each school hosting once. Citadel will host in 2012, VMI in '13 and Army in '14. The tournament will be played each year during Veteran's Day weekend.

AIR FORCE CAPTURES THIRD PLACE AT CABLE CAR CLASSIC

Air Force defeated Eastern Michigan, 42-37, in the consolation game of the Cable Car Classic. Todd Fletcher scored a career-high 18 points and freshman Colt Barnhill posted career-highs of five points and five rebounds. Freshman Kamryn Williams also pulled down a career-best five boards. The Falcons used a 17-5 run to open the second half to build a 35-25 lead with 7:52 remaining and never led by less than three points the rest of the way. Air Force, which fell to Wagner, 72-61, in the first round, held EMU to just 1-of-14 shooting from three-point range. Fletcher was named to the all-tournament team, his second such award this season.



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2012 REUNION WEEKEND

On behalf of Coach Reynolds and the entire Falcon Men's Basketball program, the Falcon Basketball Pride Club would like to cordially invite you and your family to the 2012 Men's Basketball Reunion February 10-11, 2012.

The reunion weekend will kick-off with a cocktail reception hosted by the Embassy Suites on Friday, Feb. 10th at 7 PM. On Saturday, the Falcon Basketball Pride Club will host a pre-game meal prior to the Falcons taking on new Mountain West Conference opponent Boise State at 7 p.m. During halftime of the game, we will recognize all returning alumni, with special recognition of the '59 - '69 classes and All-Americans, Lt. Gen. (Ret) Bob Beckel, Class of '59, and the late Mr. Cliff Parsons, Class of '69.

To RSVP, please visit airforce.donornetpac.com/Login.aspx and either login to DonorNet or create a new account. Once you have logged in, please click Special Events on the DonorNet menu, then 2012 Air Force Basketball Reunion. Cost for the reunion is just \$15. For questions, please contact Alex Yack at Alexander.Yack.ctr@usafa.edu or 719-333-2122.

Embassy Suites
7290 Commerce Center Drive, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 80919
719-599-9100

The hotel will be offering a special rate of \$99 to all those attending the reunion.
Please mention that you are with the Air Force Basketball Reunion Group.

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