

# PROVIDENCE COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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JESSICA SIMMONDS  
*#21 • Sophomore • Forward/Center*  
*2001-02 BIG EAST All-Rookie Selection*



KRISTIN QUINN  
*#23 • Junior • Guard*

2002-03  
PRESEASON PROSPECTUS



# PROVIDENCE COLLEGE

## 2002-03 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

(TENTATIVE)

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>		<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time</u>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Nov. 3</b>		<b>BRYANT (exhibition)</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Nov. 11</b>		<b>FOREIGN EXHIBITION</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
Fri.	Nov. 22	at	University of Vermont Tournament	TBA
Sat.	Nov. 23	at	University of Vermont Tournament	TBA
<b>Tue.</b>	<b>Nov. 26</b>		<b>BROWN</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>Dec. 1</b>		<b>LAMAR</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
Tue.	Dec. 3	at	Alabama	7:00 p.m.
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Dec. 6</b>		<b>MINNESOTA</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>Dec. 20</b>		<b>MICHIGAN STATE</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
Sun.	Dec. 22	at	Rhode Island	Noon
Sat.	Dec. 28	at	St. Bonaventure	Noon
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>Dec. 30</b>		<b>MARIST</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>Jan. 18</b>		<b>DARTMOUTH</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
Sat.	Mar. 8		BIG EAST Tournament \$	TBA
Sun.	Mar. 9		BIG EAST Tournament \$	TBA
Mon.	Mar. 10		BIG EAST Tournament \$	TBA
Tue.	Mar. 11		BIG EAST Tournament \$	TBA

All home games in **BOLD CAPS**

\$ - at Rutgers University - Louis Brown Athletic Center (Piscataway, N.J.)

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## 2002-03 SEASON PREVIEW

A new era of Providence College women's basketball began with the hiring of Head Coach Susan Yow on June 21, 2002. The Friars look forward to continued overall progress in the program as well as within the conference standings in 2002-03. Coach Yow inherits a young, but experienced team. She is excited about the return of 11 letterwinners, including three starters from last year's squad, who finished the 2001-02 campaign with a 13-15 overall record and a 7-9 mark in the BIG EAST (eighth place).

The 2002-03 roster consists of five sophomores, three juniors, three seniors, one transfer student and one freshman. The coaching staff is confident the experience that last year's talented freshman class obtained will be beneficial to the success of the 2002-03 team, as they are the bulk of the roster. The staff also believes the addition of freshman guard Elaine McCants (Boston, Mass.) and 6-5 junior transfer Jama Gilmore (Muncie, Ind.) at center will add high-levels skill and athleticism to the perimeter game and inside the paint.

### CENTERS

Sophomores Jessica Simmonds (South Orange, N.J.) and Quiana Copeland (Mattapan, Mass.), and transfer junior Jama Gilmore (Muncie, Ind.) all will be relied on to control play inside the paint.

Simmonds, a 2001-02 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team selection, returns for her second year with the Friars, and likely will see quality time at center and power forward this season, with the graduation of 6-5 center Dani Trippany (Massena, N.Y.). In 2001-02 Simmonds started 20 of the Friars' 28 games at power forward and averaged a team leading 6.5 rebounds and 1.3 blocks per game. She also finished second among her teammates in scoring (8.4 ppg), behind Trippany's 10.8 points per game. Simmonds is a very physical, intense and aggressive player. She has the ability to score at the high and low post positions, and is a strong rebounder.

Copeland also will see time at center and power forward in 2001-02, though she will spend the bulk of her time at power forward. Copeland averaged 2.1 points, 2.0 rebounds and 0.5 blocked shots in 16 games as a freshman. Copeland is a great athlete who brings excellent rebounding and shot blocking abilities to the frontcourt. She also has the ability to score at both the high and low post positions, and runs the floor extremely well on the break.

Gilmore, who stands at 6-5, played at IUPUI (2000-01) before transferring to Providence in January of 2002. In 2000-01, Gilmore played in 25 games for the Jaguars and averaged 1.8 points 2.2 rebounds per game. She also led IUPUI in blocked shots (13) and was ranked ninth in the Mid-Continent Conference in blocked shots, with an average of 0.52 blocks per game. In 2001-02, Gilmore played nine games before transferring, and averaged 2.8 points, 2.4 rebounds and 0.70 blocks per game. Gilmore, who is a good mid-range shooter, will provide the Friars with a skilled low-post presence.

### FORWARDS

Simmonds and Copeland will team up with seniors Kacey Wheeler (Bakersfield, Calif.) and Andrea Horvath (Sopron, Hungary), and sophomore Gayle Nwafili (Maplewood, N.J.) to fulfill the duties at the forward position.

Wheeler appeared in 18 games for the Friars last season, and made three appearances in the starting line-up. Wheeler has the ability to be a great scorer as a forward, and brings guard-like skills to the frontcourt. She has excellent three-point range, yet can score on the blocks with an array of post moves. In 2001-02, Wheeler averaged 3.6 points and 2.1 rebounds per game.

Horvath is looking to return in good health for her final season, after missing the majority of the 2001-02 season following surgery for compartment syndrome. She appeared in just six contests and averaged 0.8 points and 0.3 rebounds per game last season. Horvath, like Wheeler, is another three-point threat among the post players. She also adds good quickness on the block and is an excellent free-throw shooter.

Nwafili played in five games as a freshman and appeared in the starting line-up once. She averaged 1.4 points and 1.2 rebounds. Nwafili is a good athlete, who can run the floor and rebound extremely well. She is another player who could add depth to the perimeter game with a good mid-range jumpshot and athleticism.

### GUARDS

The guard positions will be filled with a mix of talented players in senior Brooke Freeburg (Waterford, Pa.), junior Kristin Quinn (Sewell, N.J.), junior Ryann Kilgore (Bellevill, Mich.) junior Katie Keefe (Avon, Conn.), sophomore Keisha Blackwell (Baltimore, Md.), sophomore Michal Epstein (Rehovot, Israel) and freshman sensation Elaine McCants (Boston, Mass.).

Freeburg brings veteran experience to the guard positions as the lone senior in the backcourt. She played in 26 of the Friars' 28 games as a junior and appeared in the starting line-up 19 times. Freeburg finished the 2001-02 season averaging 4.0 points and 2.3 rebounds per game. She is a good three-point shooter, who works extremely hard on both ends of the floor.

Quinn, a tough, poised member of the Friar roster, can play both point guard and shooting guard for the Friars. After a highly successful freshman campaign in 2000-01, Quinn was plagued with a knee injury for most of the 2001-02 season. As she returns to form, Quinn is expected to be a major contributor to the backcourt. She is a shooter who can drain the three-point shot in clutch situations, or drive to the basket. Last season, she averaged 5.2 points, 2.9 rebounds and 1.6 assists in 16 games.

Kilgore, who was the first person off the bench in 2001-02, is expected to be a major contributor for the Friars in 2002-03. Kilgore is a very good athlete, who has an array of offensive skills, including a three-point shot and a pull-up jumper. She earned the team's most improved player award last season. Kilgore is a high-energy player, who also excels on the defensive end with athleticism and quickness.

Keefe is expected to play a pivotal role in the Friar game-plan as an excellent defender. In 2001-02, Keefe saw action in 16 games as the team's defensive specialist, and has worked hard to improve her offensive skills for the 2002-03 season. Keefe has the ability to be a leader on the team this season, and is expected to bring an even higher level of energy and spirit to the the Friar line-up.

Blackwell played 25 games for the Friars as a freshman, and appeared in the starting line-up 11 times. She is expected to play a key role in the backcourt this season, offensively and defensively. Blackwell adds speed, agility and excellent ball handling and passing skills at the point guard and shooting guard positions. She also presents a constant scoring threat from beyond the three-point arc, and also possesses the ability to drive to the basket and finish with poise and confidence. Last season, Blackwell averaged 4.4 points, 1.7 rebounds and 2.2 assists per game.

Epstein returns for her second season in a Friar uniform after a very promising freshman campaign. She played 23 games, and appeared in the starting line-up 18 times. She finished third among her Friar teammates in scoring (8.2 points per game) and rebounding (3.6 rebounds per game), and led PC in assists per game (2.3 apg). Epstein, a product of the Israeli National Team, continues to adjust to the American and collegiate game, but showed she can compete at the highest level with a career-best performance against eventual National Champion Connecticut on February 3, 2002. She registered a career-high 23 points and eight rebounds versus the Huskies. In 2002-03, Epstein is expected to play a larger role in the Friars' offensive production and rebounding.

McCants joins the Friars for her first season of collegiate basketball after an impressive high school and AAU career. She brings quickness and very good court awareness to the floor as a point guard. McCants has excellent ball handling and passing skills and is a tough defender on the ball. McCants attended Jerimiah E. Burke High School from 1998-2001, where she played basketball for two seasons before transferring to Brookline High. She is a two-time *USA Today* Massachusetts Honorable Mention, *Boston Herald* All-Scholastic, Boston City All-Star, Hoop Mountain/School Sports Roundball Classic All-Star and Hoffman High School All-Star. McCants also was selected to the *Boston Herald* Dream Team and named *Boston Globe* All-Scholastic and *USA Today* Preseason Player to Watch. She enters her freshman year at Providence College as the fifth-best point guard in the nation and the 13th-best player overall in the class of 2002, according to the All-Star Girls' Report. McCants averaged 19.5 points, 4.6 rebounds, 12.2 assists and 3.9 steals at Jerimiah E. Burke, and led the Bulldogs to a Massachusetts State Division-3 Championship.

## BIG EAST CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

The Friars, who are members of the BIG EAST Conference, will do battle with some of the most dominant teams in the nation. Conference foe Connecticut has won two of the last three NCAA Championships, with fellow BIG EAST member Notre Dame taking the title in 2000-01. In 2001-02, the BIG EAST Conference saw five of its teams earn an invitation to the NCAA Tournament (Connecticut, Notre Dame, Villanova, Syracuse and Boston College), while Virginia Tech was selected to participate in the WNIT. Providence is hoping to increase its level of competition and gain more ground in the BIG EAST standings after an eighth-place finish in 2001-02. The Friars were able to get a taste of success at the highest levels last season, as they earned victories against Villanova and Virginia Tech. PC looks forward to yet another challenging conference schedule in 2002-03, as they will face Pittsburgh, Seton Hall and West Virginia both at home and on the road. The Friars will host Boston College, Connecticut, Notre Dame, Rutgers and St. John's at home in Alumni Hall (2,620), and will face Georgetown, Miami, Syracuse, Villanova and Virginia Tech on the road.

## NON-CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Providence will tip off the 2002-03 season as part of the University of Vermont Tournament on November 22-23. The Friars will be joined by host-school Vermont, as well as Navy and Yale in the four-team field. PC returns to Providence on November 26 to host intra-city rival Brown. The Friars have added Lamar to their non-conference schedule as a home game on December 1. On December 3, the Friars head to Alabama to take on a tough Crimson Tide team. PC defeated the Tide at home during the 2001-02 season (78-75) on December 2. The Friars will face 2001-02 NCAA "Sweet-16" participant Minnesota on December 6 in Providence, R.I., and follow with WNIT participant Michigan State on December 20 in Providence. PC takes on in-state rival Rhode Island on December 22. The team will travel to St. Bonaventure on December 28. The team's remaining non-conference games will be played in Providence, R.I. versus Marist (December 30) and perennial Ivy League power Dartmouth (January 18).

# HEAD COACH SUSAN YOW • FIRST SEASON

Providence College Assistant Vice President for Athletics Bob Driscoll announced the appointment of Susan Yow as head coach of the women's basketball team on Friday, June 21, 2002. Yow, the seventh women's basketball coach all-time at PC, replaces Jim Jabir who resigned in April to become an assistant women's basketball coach at the University of Colorado.

"Susan Yow brings experience, intensity and compassion to this position," Driscoll said. "She has coached at the highest levels and has a strong knowledge of women's basketball. We also were attracted to Susan because she has extensive experience coaching and recruiting in an academic setting. We believe she will be the person that can lead Providence College women's basketball in the highly competitive BIGEAST Conference."



Yow, the sister of longtime North Carolina State Head Coach Kay Yow and University of Maryland Athletic Director Deborah Yow, comes to Providence with 19 years of NCAA Division I head coaching experience (1978-97). She also spent four years as an assistant coach in the WNBA (1997-01). Yow's most recent collegiate coaching stint was at the University of North Carolina Wilmington. Yow coached at UNC Wilmington from 1993-97. Prior to UNC Wilmington, she was the head coach at Kansas State (1990-93), Drake University (1986-90) and East Tennessee State (1978-86).

In 1997, Yow began her career in the WNBA as an assistant coach for the Cleveland Rockers. Two years later in 1999, she was hired as an assistant coach with the Charlotte Sting. She served as an assistant with the Sting until 2001. Last season, Yow worked as a color analyst for radio broadcasts of the North Carolina State women's basketball games.

Yow also coached three different USA Basketball teams. In 1981, she was an assistant coach for the USA team which won a gold medal at the Olympic Sports Festival. In 1983, Yow served as a head coach for the US squad that won a gold medal at the Olympic Sports Festival. She helped guide the USA to a third gold medal in 1988 when she was an assistant coach for the US Olympic Team.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to coach at Providence College," Yow said. "The women's basketball program has an excellent tradition at Providence and I want to add to that. I am familiar with the BIGEAST Conference and I am looking forward to rebuilding the Friars into a strong team that will compete for the league title."

Yow, a native of Gibsonville, North Carolina, is a 1976 graduate of Elon College. In her final season at Elon, she captained the team and earned Kodak All-America honors. She played a final season of collegiate basketball at North Carolina State in 1976 as a graduate student. In her one season at NC State, Yow became the first Wolfpack women's basketball player ever to be named to the Kodak All-America Team. She led the team in scoring (19.4 ppg), rebounding (11.9 rpg), field goal percentage (.584) and free throw percentage (.832).

# PROVIDENCE COLLEGE

## 2002-2003 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

### NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown/Previous School
3	Keisha Blackwell	So.	G	5-6	Baltimore, Md./Seton Keough
10	Elaine McCants	Fr.	G	5-6	Boston, Mass./Jerimiah E. Burke
13	Michal Epstein	So.	G	5-10	Rehovot, Israel/Kiriat Sharet
15	Andrea Horvath	Sr.	F	6-0	Sopron, Hungary/Szecheny Istuan (Pratt CC)
21	Jessica Simmonds	So.	F/C	6-2	South Orange, N.J./Columbia
23	Kristin Quinn	Jr.	G	5-4	Sewell, N.J./Gloucester Catholic
30	Gayle Nwafili	So.	F	6-1	Maplewood, N.J./Columbia
32	Ryann Kilgore	Jr.	F	6-1	Belleville, Mich./Belleville
35	Jama Gilmore	Jr.	C/F	6-5	Muncie, Ind./(IUPUI)
40	Katie Keefe	Jr.	G	5-8	Avon, Conn./Avon
42	Brooke Freeburg	Sr.	G	5-11	Waterford, Pa./Fort LeBoeuf
50	Kacee Wheeler	Sr.	G/F	6-1	Bakersfield, Calif./North High (San Diego St.)
55	Quiana Copeland	So.	F	6-0	Mattapan, Mass./Melrose

### ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown/Previous School
3	Keisha Blackwell	So.	G	5-6	Baltimore, Md./Seton Keough
55	Quiana Copeland	So.	F	6-0	Mattapan, Mass./Melrose
13	Michal Epstein	So.	G	5-10	Rehovot, Israel/Kiriat Sharet
42	Brooke Freeburg	Sr.	G	5-11	Waterford, Pa./Fort LeBoeuf
35	Jama Gilmore	Jr.	C/F	6-5	Muncie, Ind./(IUPUI)
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21	Jessica Simmonds	So.	F/C	6-2	South Orange, N.J./Columbia
50	Kacee Wheeler	Sr.	G/F	6-1	Bakersfield, Calif./North High (San Diego St.)

**HEAD COACH:** Susan Yow (Elon '76)

**ASSISTANT COACHES:** TBA

**CAPTAINS:** TBA

# ANDREA HORVATH

# #15

Senior • Forward • 6'0"  
Sopron, Hungary  
Szecheny Istvan Gimnasium  
Pratt Community College

**AS A JUNIOR:** Played in six games...Missed majority of the season after recovering from surgery related to compartment syndrome...Averaged 0.8 points, and 0.3 rebounds per game...Registered a season-high five points and one rebound in a 66-65 loss to Idaho in the consolation game of the Lady Griz Holiday Classic (Missoula, Mont.) on December 29, 2001...Co-Recipient of the Team Academic Award...BIG EAST Academic All-Star selection.

**AS A SOPHOMORE:** Played in 24 games...Averaged 2.8 points and 1.2 rebounds per game...Shot .893 from the free-throw line, which led the team...Recorded a career-high nine points against Boston College on January 20, 2001 and at Virginia Tech on February 21, 2001...Scored eight points three times during the season...Pulled down a career-high four rebounds in each of the Friars first three games of the 2000-2001 season; Central Michigan, Minnesota and the University of Pacific.

**AT PRATT CC:** Played at Pratt Community College in Pratt, Kansas during the 1999-2000 season...Played in all 30 games for the Beavers...Led the team with 377 points (12.6 points per game) and 66 steals (2.2 steals per game)...Also ranked first among her teammates with a .796 free-throw percentage (133-167)...Ranked third in rebounding and assists with 4.8 rebounds and 1.6 assists per game...Connected on 120 of her 295 field-goal attempts for a .407 field goal percentage.

**PERSONAL:** Native of Sopron, Hungary...Born September 24, 1980...Was a member of the Hungarian National Team...Majoring in Management and Marketing.

## HORVATH'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2000-01	24/0	19-54	0.352	3-16	0.188	25-28	0.893	9	19	28	1.2	27/0	4	19	1	5	66	2.8
2001-02	6/0	1-6	0.167	0-0	—	3-4	0.750	0	2	2	0.3	2/0	0	1	0	1	5	0.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30/0</b>	<b>20-60</b>	<b>0.333</b>	<b>3-16</b>	<b>0.188</b>	<b>28-32</b>	<b>0.875</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>29/0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2.4</b>

## HORVATH'S BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2000-01	12/0	10-29	0.345	2-10	0.200	21-24	0.875	4	4	8	0.7	13/0	3	6	0	3	43	3.6
2001-02	4/0	0-2	0.000	0-0	—	0-0	—	0	1	1	0.3	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16/0</b>	<b>10-31</b>	<b>0.323</b>	<b>2-10</b>	<b>0.200</b>	<b>21-24</b>	<b>0.875</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>14/0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>2.7</b>

# BROOKE FREEBURG

## #42

Senior • Guard • 5'11"  
Waterford, Pennsylvania  
Fort LeBoeuf High School

**AS A JUNIOR:** Played in 26 games and appeared in the starting line-up 19 times...Averaged 4.0 points, 2.3 rebounds, 0.9 assists and 0.9 steals per game...Scored a career-high 12 points in wins over New Hampshire (12/8/01) and St. Bonaventure (11/21/01)...Pulled down a career-high nine rebounds in a 81-70 victory over Marist on November 24, 2001...Dished out a career-high four assists versus 2001 Defending National Champion Notre Dame on January 19, 2002...Posted a career-high three steals on three separate occasions versus Idaho (12/29/01), Notre Dame (1/19/02) and Seton Hall (1/26/02).

**AS A SOPHOMORE:** Played in 21 games and started one...Averaged 2.7 points and 1.5 rebounds per game...Tallied eight points and was two for three from the arc versus Georgetown...Recorded six points and nine rebounds against Villanova...Registered seven points, four rebounds, two assists, a block, and a steal against Rutgers in the BIG EAST tournament.

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Played four games for the Friars before tearing her ACL in her right knee at Michigan...Scored a career-high five points and grabbed three rebounds in nine minutes against the Wolverines before the injury...Pulled down a career-high four boards at Memphis in the Lady Tiger Classic.

**AT FORT LeBOEUF:** Finished high school career at Fort LeBoeuf as the all-time leading scorer (2,095) and rebounder (1,261)...*Street & Smith* Honorable Mention All-America ...First Team all-conference twice and led the conference in scoring as a senior ...1998 District Ten Player of the Year... WBCA All-American ...Scored 23.1 points as a senior while grabbing 10.9 boards ....Also played soccer and excelled in track ...Erie County Champion in the shot, discus, javelin and high jump and holds all-time records in three of the four...District Ten record holder in the discus and shot ...State Champion in the shot and javelin...1999 National Scholastic Sports Foundation National Champion in Javelin...1999 NSSF Track All-American...Erie Hall of Fame High School Athlete of the Year...Fort LeBoeuf Female Athlete of the Year.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Rick and Jody Freeburg...Has a younger sister, Danielle and brother, Brent...Born December 27, 1980...Majoring in Business Management.

### FREEBURG'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
1999-00	4/0	1-9	0.111	1-4	0.250	3-4	0.750	2	7	9	2.3	7/0	0	3	0	1	6	1.5
2000-01	21/1	20-54	0.370	4-18	0.222	12-24	0.500	18	13	31	1.5	29/0	9	20	3	8	56	2.7
2001-02	26/19	31-103	0.301	10-45	0.222	31-44	0.705	30	29	59	2.3	44/0	22	40	3	23	103	4.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51/20</b>	<b>52-166</b>	<b>0.313</b>	<b>15-67</b>	<b>0.224</b>	<b>46-72</b>	<b>0.639</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>80/0</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>3.2</b>

### FREEBURG'S BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
1999-00	0/0	0-0	---	0-0	---	0-0	---	0	0	0	0.0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2000-01	12/1	14-36	0.389	3-12	0.250	6-14	0.429	13	8	21	1.8	20/0	5	15	1	4	37	3.1
2001-02	15/8	12-53	0.226	7-25	0.280	11-17	0.647	11	7	18	1.2	22/0	11	20	1	10	42	2.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27/9</b>	<b>26-89</b>	<b>0.292</b>	<b>10-37</b>	<b>0.270</b>	<b>17-31</b>	<b>0.548</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>42/0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>2.9</b>

# KACEE WHEELER

## #50

Senior • Forward/Guard • 6'1"  
 Bakersfield, California  
 Bakersfield High/North High  
 San Diego State University

**AS A JUNIOR:** Sat out first nine games of the season after transferring from San Diego State a year earlier...Appeared in 18 games and cracked the starting line-up three times...Averaged 3.6 points and 2.3 rebounds per game...Registered a career-high 10 points and two blocked shots at Montana on December 28, 2001...Handed out a career-high four assists in 29 minutes of action at Michigan State on December 21, 2001...Pulled down a career-high seven rebounds in an 80-70 win over Syracuse on February 9, 2002.

**AT SAN DIEGO STATE:** Averaged 7.6 points and 3.4 rebounds in 28 games...Scored a career-high 14 points against New Mexico...Registered a career-best six rebounds in three games... Dished out a career-high five assists against BYU.

**AT BAKERSFIELD AND NORTH HIGH:** A four-time SWYL All-League selection... Three-time First-Team All-Area...All-Area Most Valuable Player in 1999...Played scholastically at Bakersfield from 1995-1998 before entering North High for her senior year in 1999.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Rick and Piata Wheeler...Born June 30, 1981...Has two brothers, Jory and Ross, and one sister, Whitney.

### WHEELER'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	18/3	23-62	0.371	3-9	0.333	16-25	0.640	12	30	42	2.3	32/1	13	30	3	4	65	3.6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18/3</b>	<b>23-62</b>	<b>0.371</b>	<b>3-9</b>	<b>0.333</b>	<b>16-25</b>	<b>0.640</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>32/1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>3.6</b>

### WHEELER'S BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	14/1	18-41	0.439	3-7	0.429	10-17	0.588	8	24	32	2.3	20/0	7	15	0	2	49	3.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14/1</b>	<b>18-41</b>	<b>0.439</b>	<b>3-7</b>	<b>0.429</b>	<b>10-17</b>	<b>0.588</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>20/0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>3.5</b>

# KRISTIN QUINN

## #23

Junior • Guard • 5'4"  
Sewell, New Jersey  
Gloucester Catholic

**AS A SOPHOMORE:** Missed the first four games of the season with a knee injury...Played in 24 games and appeared in the starting line-up 13 times...Averaged 5.2 points, 2.9 rebounds, 1.6 assists and 0.9 steals per game...Connected on 80.4 percent of her free-throw attempts (37-46)...Recorded a season-high 17 points and nine rebounds and added four assists in a 91-77 victory over Pittsburgh on February 26, 2002...Dished out a season-high five assists and added 11 points in an 80-70 win versus Syracuse on February 9, 2002.

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in 28 games and started 23...Averaged 10.4 points, 4.1 rebounds, 1.3 steals, and 3.4 assists per game...Team-high 11 rebounds against Holy Cross...Had team-high 15 points versus Princeton...Recorded team highs in points (9) and rebounds (4) against Connecticut... Led team with 15 points and five rebounds against Florida...Registered team-high 19 points in a win over St. John's...Scored team-high 16 points in a loss to Rutgers...Grabbed team-high 9 rebounds against Villanova ...Tallied a career-high 23 points in win over Syracuse...Registered a team-high 14 points and a team-high seven rebounds in a victory over Seton Hall in the BIG EAST Tournament.

**AT GLOUCESTER CATHOLIC:** Scored 1,752 points during career at Gloucester Catholic ...Averaged 25.1 points, 6.0 assists and 4.6 steals per game while shooting 88.6 percent from the free throw line during her senior campaign...Named the Gloucester Female Athlete of the Year...Selected to the All-Philadelphia Area First Team...Three-time member of the All-Conference First Team...Two-time All-South Jersey First Team selection...Named *Gloucester County Times* Area Player of the Year and Gloucester City Sportsman Female Athlete of the Year...Also earned the Most Valuable Player honors in the North/South All-State Game...Member of the National Honor Society and Honor Roll...Earned varsity letter in soccer.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of James and Carole Quinn...Born August 21, 1982...One younger sister, Kelli...Plans on majoring in elementary/special education.

### QUINN'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2000-01	28/23	88-218	0.404	39-102	0.382	76-92	0.826	14	100	114	4.1	49/0	95	66	0	36	291	10.4
2001-02	24/13	34-114	0.298	20-66	0.303	37-46	0.804	9	61	70	2.9	35/0	38	48	1	22	125	5.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52/36</b>	<b>122-332</b>	<b>0.367</b>	<b>59-168</b>	<b>0.351</b>	<b>113-138</b>	<b>0.819</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>84/0</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>8.0</b>

### QUINN'S BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2000-01	16/16	54-136	0.397	22-56	0.393	49-58	0.845	7	53	60	3.8	37/0	57	49	0	23	179	11.2
2001-02	16/6	25-74	0.338	15-45	0.333	23-31	0.742	8	45	53	3.3	25/0	28	39	1	15	88	5.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32/22</b>	<b>79-210</b>	<b>0.376</b>	<b>37-101</b>	<b>0.366</b>	<b>72-89</b>	<b>0.809</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>62/0</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>8.3</b>

# RYANN KILGORE



Junior • Forward • 6'1"  
Belville, Michigan  
Belleville High School

**AS A SOPHOMORE:** Appeared in 23 games...Averaged 4.8 point and 2.5 rebounds per game...Recorded a career-high 19 points and matched a career high of five rebounds in a 72-66 loss at 2001 Defending National Champion Notre Dame on January 5, 2002...Also pulled down five rebounds in games versus Georgetown (1/2/02) and Syracuse (2/9/02)...Dished out a career-high four assists in the first round of the BIG EAST Tournament versus Seton Hall on March 2, 2002...Matched a career high with three steals at Michigan State on December 21, 2001...Earned Most Improved Player Award at the team's annual banquet on April 21, 2002.

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in 14 games and started two...Missed last 13 games of the season with a back injury...Averaged 4.1 points and 2.9 rebounds per game...Registered a career-high nine points and five rebounds against Siena...Handed out a career-high of three assists on two occasions; against Santa Clara and Princeton....Had eight points, five rebounds and one assist against Holy Cross.

**AT BELLEVILLE:** Ranked among the Top- 75 players in the nation by All-Star Girls Prep Report...Was second in area scoring all four years with 18 points per game...Finished eighth in Ms. Basketball as a senior...Was an All-State and All-Area selection all four years at Belleville High.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Bill and Janell Kilgore...Has one sister Kristen, who is a member of the West Virginia women's basketball team...Born July 9, 1982...Undecided on major.

KILGORE'S CAREER STATISTICS																		
YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2000-01	14/2	20-84	0.238	3-10	0.300	14-21	0.667	18	23	41	2.9	20/1	15	17	3	11	57	4.1
2001-02	23/0	41-119	0.345	8-25	0.320	21-34	0.618	20	37	57	2.5	45/3	17	28	4	15	111	4.8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37/2</b>	<b>61-203</b>	<b>0.300</b>	<b>11-35</b>	<b>0.314</b>	<b>35-55</b>	<b>0.636</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>65/4</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>4.5</b>

  

KILGORE'S BIG EAST STATISTICS																		
YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2000-01	5/0	3-23	0.130	0-2	0.000	3-6	0.500	7	3	10	2.0	9/1	2	5	0	5	9	1.8
2001-02	15/0	26-72	0.361	4-11	0.364	14-23	0.609	11	28	39	2.6	33/3	7	20	1	7	70	4.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20/0</b>	<b>29-95</b>	<b>0.305</b>	<b>4-13</b>	<b>0.308</b>	<b>17-29</b>	<b>0.586</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>42/4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>4.0</b>

# KATIE KEEFE

## #40

Junior • Forward • 5'8"  
Avon, Connecticut  
Avon High School

**AS A SOPHOMORE:** Played in 16 games for the Friars, as one of the team's top defensive stoppers...Scored a career-high four points at Holy Cross on November 19, 2001...Matched a career high of one rebound in games versus Marist (11/24/01) and No.1-ranked Connecticut (February 3, 2002)...Matched a career-high of one assist in games versus St. Bonaventure (11/21/01) and Syracuse (1/12/02)...Played a career-high 18 minutes versus St. Bonaventure on November 21, 2001...Earned the Hustle Award at the team's annual banquet held on April 21, 2002...BIG EAST Academic All-Star Selection.

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in seven games for the Friars...She attempted two field goals, and connected on one for a .500 field goal percentage...Pulled down first collegiate rebound against Minnesota...Scored first collegiate points against Connecticut ...Registered one assist against both Princeton and Florida.

**AT AVON:** A four-time All-Conference selection...Named All-State in 1999 and 2000...Chosen to play in the All-Star Game...Played scholastically at Avon High School.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Sally and Charles Keefe...Born June 9, 1982...Has one older brother, Matt, and an older sister Erin...Undecided on a major.

### KEEFE'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2000-01	7/0	1-2	0.500	0-0	---	0-1	0.000	1	0	1	0.1	2/0	2	1	1	0	2	0.3
2001-02	16/0	4-7	0.571	0-0	---	0-0	---	3	0	3	0.2	4/0	2	8	0	2	8	0.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23/0</b>	<b>5-9</b>	<b>0.555</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>6/0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0.4</b>

### KEEFE'S BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2000-01	3/0	1-1	1.000	0-0	---	0-1	0.000	0	0	0	---	1/0	0	0	0	0	2	0.7
2001-02	10/0	0-2	0.000	0-0	---	0-0	---	1	0	1	0.1	2/0	1	3	0	0	0	0.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13/0</b>	<b>1-3</b>	<b>0.333</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>3/0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0.2</b>

# KEISHA BLACKWELL



Sophomore • Guard • 5'6"  
Baltimore, Maryland  
Seton Keough High School

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in 25 games and made 11 appearances in the starting line-up...Averaged 4.4 points, 1.7 rebounds, 2.2 assists and 0.96 steals per game...Scored a season-high 11 points in games versus Siena (11/16/01) and St. John's (2/6/02)...Pulled down a season-high four rebounds in games versus Seton Hall (1/26/02) and No. 1-ranked Connecticut (2/3/02)...Registered a season-high seven assists and six steals at Seton Hall on January 26, 2002.

**AT SETON KEOUGH:** Earned four varsity letters in basketball at Seton Keough High School...Two-time *Street & Smith* Preseason High School Honorable Mention selection and IAAM League First-Team All-Star...First-Team *Baltimore Sun* All-Metro and All-City/County...Baltimore Sun Second-Team All-Metro...Seton Keough High School Athlete of the Year Award recipient (2000-2001)...Seton Keough High School Most Valuable Player (2000-2001).

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Hurley and Tracy Blackwell...Born February 1, 1983...Has a younger brother, Keith...Planning to major in computer science.

## BLACKWELL'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	25/11	38-112	0.339	19-61	0.311	16-21	0.762	6	36	42	1.7	53/3	54	76	0	24	111	4.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25/11</b>	<b>38-112</b>	<b>0.339</b>	<b>19-61</b>	<b>0.311</b>	<b>16-21</b>	<b>0.762</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>53/3</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>4.4</b>

## BLACKWELL'S BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	14/8	23-59	0.390	9-29	0.310	8-10	0.800	3	24	27	1.9	36/3	35	42	0	16	63	4.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14/8</b>	<b>23-59</b>	<b>0.390</b>	<b>9-29</b>	<b>0.310</b>	<b>8-10</b>	<b>0.800</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>36/3</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>4.5</b>

# MICHAL EPSTEIN

## #13

Sophomore • Guard • 5'10"  
Rehovot, Israel  
Kiriath Sharet

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in 23 games and appeared in the starting line-up 18 times...Finished third among her teammates in scoring (8.2 ppg) and rebounding (3.6 rpg) and led the team in assists per game (2.3 apg)...Averaged 9.3 points, 3.6 rebounds and 2.4 assists versus BIG EAST Conference opponents...Registered a career-high 23 points and eight rebounds versus #1-ranked and eventual 2002 NCAA National Champion Connecticut on February 3, 2002...Also pulled down eight rebounds at Montana on December 28, 2001...Dished out a career-high six assists in a 62-51 victory at St. John's on February 6, 2002 and a 91-77 win versus Pittsburgh on February 26, 2002...Collected a career-high three steals versus Rhode Island on November 27, 2001 and Miami on February 23, 2002.

**IN HIGH SCHOOL:** Played for the Israeli National Team during her scholastic playing career.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Roger and Elaine Epstein...Born March 5, 1981...Has one sister, Na'ama...Planned major of study is currently undeclared.

### EPSTEIN'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	23/18	66-181	0.365	12-40	0.300	45-62	0.726	36	46	82	3.6	52/1	52	102	3	16	189	8.2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23/18</b>	<b>66-181</b>	<b>0.365</b>	<b>12-40</b>	<b>0.300</b>	<b>45-62</b>	<b>0.726</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>52/1</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>8.2</b>

### EPSTEIN'S BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	16/15	53-136	0.390	11-29	0.379	32-38	0.842	27	30	57	3.6	37/1	38	74	1	10	149	9.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16/15</b>	<b>53-136</b>	<b>0.390</b>	<b>11-29</b>	<b>0.379</b>	<b>32-38</b>	<b>0.842</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>37/1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>9.3</b>

# JESSICA SIMMONDS

## #21

Sophomore • Forward/Center • 6'2"  
South Orange, New Jersey  
Columbia High School

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in 26 games and made 20 appearances in the starting line-up...Finished second on the team in scoring (8.4 ppg) and first among her teammates in rebounding (6.5 rpg), blocked shots (1.4 bpg) and steals (1.42 spg)...Averaged 8.5 points and 7.0 rebounds per game versus conference opponents...Registered double-doubles at St. John's on February 6, 2002 (10 points, 10 rebounds), versus Syracuse on February 9, 2002 (12 points, 13 rebounds) and versus Miami (13 points, 10 rebounds)...Scored a season-high 19 points and recorded seven rebounds and two assists in a 91-77 victory versus Pittsburgh on February 26, 2002...Pulled down a season-high 13 rebounds in an 80-70 victory versus Syracuse on February 9, 2002...Collected a season-high five steals versus St. Bonaventure on November 21, 2001...Recorded a season-high three blocked shots in games versus Idaho (12/29/01), St. John's (2/6/02) and Seton Hall (3/2/02)...Earned BIG EAST Rookie of the Week honors on February 11, 2002...Named to the 2001-02 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team.

**AT COLUMBIA:** Earned four varsity letters in basketball...Played two years at The Chad Science Academy and finished her high school career at Columbia High School...All-State Second-Team Group IV selection...All-Area Team and All-Area Player of the Year...All-Essex County honoree...MVP of the Tournament of Champions...Iron Hills All-Conference Team...Named Rookie of the Year while at The Chad Science Academy...Three-time Defensive Player of the Year and once named Offensive Player of the Year...Holds the career-rebounding record and career-scoring record at Columbia with 1,023 rebounds and 1,287 points...Also holds the career-blocked shot record with 342.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Reta and Sterling Simmonds...Born December 21, 1983...Has five brothers and two God-sisters; Duval, Dale, Paul, Seymour, Calvin, Ama and Erica...Plans to study computer science or biology.

### SIMMONDS' CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	26/20	78-225	0.347	0-2	0.000	62-116	0.534	67	102	169	6.5	87/4	21	83	35	37	218	8.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26/20</b>	<b>78-225</b>	<b>0.347</b>	<b>0-2</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>62-116</b>	<b>0.534</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>87/4</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>8.4</b>

### SIMMONDS' BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	16/14	46-144	0.319	0-2	0.000	44-85	0.518	45	67	112	7.0	55/2	18	55	20	20	136	8.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16/14</b>	<b>46-144</b>	<b>0.319</b>	<b>0-2</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>44-85</b>	<b>0.518</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>55/2</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>8.5</b>



# QUIANA COPELAND

## #55

Sophomore • Forward • 6'0"  
Mattapan, Massachusetts  
Melrose High School

**AS A FRESHMAN:** Played in 16 games as a freshman...Averaged 2.1 points, 2.0 rebounds and 0.5 blocked shots per game...Posted a season-high eight points in 16 minutes of action at Syracuse on January 12, 2002...Pulled down a season-high five rebounds at Holy Cross on November 19, 2001...Dished out a season-high two assists in a 91-77 victory over Pittsburgh on February 26, 2002.

**AT MELROSE:** Four-year varsity letterwinner at Melrose High...Twice named All-American Honorable Mention...Two-time *Boston Globe* All-Scholastic Super Team and *Boston Herald* All-Scholastic Dream Team selection...High Five for Melrose High and High Five for Channel 5...Three-time Hoffman All-Star Selection and once named Hoffman All-Star MVP...Hoop Mountain All-Star...Team MVP for the Lady Raiders during junior season and earned Offensive MVP honors during her sophomore year...Recipient of the Lady Raider Award.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Jeanette Copeland and Anthony Forde..Born August 22, 1983...Has four younger sisters, Latoya, Chloe, Turquoise and Tatiana...Planned major of study is undeclared.

### COPELAND'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	16/0	16-37	0.432	0-0	---	2-5	0.400	8	24	32	2.0	19/0	2	11	8	5	34	2.1
<b>TOTAL</b>	16/0	16-37	0.432	0-0	---	2-5	0.400	8	24	32	2.0	19/0	2	11	8	5	34	2.1

### COPELAND'S BIG EAST STATISTICS

YEAR	GPS	FG-FGA	PCT	3G-3GA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVE	PF/DQ	AS	TO	BK	ST	PIS	AVG
2001-02	10/0	10-22	0.455	0-0	---	2-3	0.667	2	13	15	1.4	8/0	2	9	5	2	22	2.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	10/0	10-22	0.455	0-0	---	2-3	0.667	2	13	15	1.4	8/0	2	9	5	2	22	2.0

JAMA  
GILMORE

Junior • Center • 6'5"  
Muncie, Indiana  
Yorktown High School  
IUPUI

#35

**AT IUPUI:** Played in 25 games for the Jaguars during the 2000-01 season...Averaged 1.8 points and 2.2 rebounds...Shot 47.2 percent from the field and 66.7 percent from the free-throw line...Led the team in blocked shots with 13 and ranked ninth in the Mid-Continent Conference in blocked shots, averaging 0.52 blocks per game...Scored a season-best 11 points versus Chicago State on February 12, 2001...Pulled down a season-best 10 rebounds against Ball State on December 6, 2000. In 2001-02 Gilmore played in nine games before transferring to Providence College...Averaged 2.8 points, 2.4 rebounds and 0.70 blocks per game...Recorded a season-high 10 points and pulled down a career-best 11 rebounds versus Florida State in 20 minutes of action on December 21, 2001.

**AT YORKTOWN:** Earned three varsity letters in basketball and volleyball at Yorktown High School...Also competed in track...Named to the Preseason Indiana All-State First Team by *Hoosier Basketball Magazine* as a senior and participated in the Top-40 workout...Indiana All-State Third Team and All-East Central Indiana selection as a junior...Led Yorktown in blocked shots, rebounding and field goal percentage and selected team MVP in each of her last three seasons...Three-time All-Delaware County, All-Hoosier Heritage Conference and all-sectional as a sophomore...Led her team to four county titles and two sectional championships.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Mark and DiAnn Gilmore..Born July 16, 1982...Has one younger brother, Brett...Planned major of study is Biology with business studies.

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ELAINE  
McCANTS

Freshman • Guard • 5'6"  
Boston, Massachusetts  
Jerimiah E. Burke High School  
Brookline High School

#10

**IN HIGH SCHOOL:** Attended Jerimiah E. Burke High School from 1998-2001, where she played basketball for two seasons before transferring to Brookline High...Two-time *USA Today* Massachusetts Honorable Mention, *Boston Herald* All-Scholastic, Boston City All-Star, Hoop Mountain/School Sports Roundball Classic All-Star and Hoffman High School All-Star...Named to the *Boston Herald* Dream Team (All-State), *Boston Globe* All-Scholastic and *USA Today* Preseason Player to Watch...Enters freshman year at Providence College as the fifth-best point guard in the nation and the 13th-best player overall in the class of 2002, according to the All-Star Girls' Report...Averaged 19.5 points, 4.6 rebounds, 12.2 assists and 3.9 steals at Jerimiah E. Burke High School...Three-time AAU State Champion...Led Jerimiah E. Burke to a Massachusetts State Division-3 Championship.

**PERSONAL:** Daughter of Eileen Melville and Darrell McCants..Born March 10, 1984...Planned major of study is undecided.

# 2001-2002 FINAL STATISTICS

Player	GP/GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OR	DR	TOT	AVG	PF/DQ	A	TO	BK	ST	PTS	AVG
Dani Trippany	28/25	771	27.5	102-237	0.430	21-51	0.412	76-93	0.817	69	104	173	6.2	74/2	29	67	25	22	301	10.8
<i>BIG EAST</i>	16/16	493	30.8	62-145	0.428	16-34	0.471	45-52	0.865	42	67	109	6.8	43/0	19	40	13	15	185	11.6
Jessica Simmonds	26/20	632	24.3	78-225	0.347	0-2	0.000	62-116	0.534	67	102	169	6.5	87/4	21	83	35	37	218	8.4
<i>BIG EAST</i>	16/14	393	24.6	46-144	0.319	0-2	0.000	44-85	0.518	45	67	112	7.0	55/2	18	55	20	20	136	8.5
Michal Epstein	23/18	614	26.7	66-181	0.365	12-40	0.300	45-62	0.726	36	46	82	3.6	52/1	52	102	3	16	189	8.2
<i>BIG EAST</i>	16/15	437	27.3	53-136	0.390	11-29	0.379	32-38	0.842	27	30	57	3.6	37/1	38	74	1	10	149	9.3
Jenese Wilcox	13/7	242	18.6	43-113	0.381	0-0	-----	18-30	0.600	26	19	45	3.5	38/3	10	22	9	6	104	8.0
<i>BIG EAST</i>	2/1	32	16.0	3-9	0.333	0-0	-----	2-4	0.500	3	3	6	3.0	2/0	2	3	1	0	8	4.0
Chrissy Vozab	27/21	766	28.4	62-174	0.356	35-103	0.340	36-46	0.783	21	49	70	2.6	43/0	60	28	1	37	195	7.2
<i>BIG EAST</i>	15/11	366	24.4	31-86	0.360	19-54	0.352	15-20	0.750	8	20	28	1.9	26/0	26	12	0	15	96	6.4
Kristin Quinn	24/13	514	21.4	34-114	0.298	20-66	0.303	37-46	0.804	9	61	70	2.9	35/0	38	48	1	22	125	5.2
<i>BIG EAST</i>	16/6	346	21.6	25-74	0.338	15-45	0.333	23-31	0.742	8	45	53	3.3	25/0	28	39	1	15	88	5.5
Ryann Kilgore	23/0	316	13.7	41-119	0.345	8-25	0.320	21-34	0.618	20	37	57	2.5	45/3	17	28	4	15	111	4.8
<i>BIG EAST</i>	15/0	203	13.5	26-72	0.361	4-11	0.364	14-23	0.609	11	28	39	2.6	33/3	7	20	1	7	70	4.7
Keisha Blackwell	25/11	429	17.2	38-112	0.339	19-61	0.311	16-21	0.762	6	36	42	1.7	53/3	54	76	0	24	111	4.4
<i>BIG EAST</i>	14/8	265	18.9	23-59	0.390	9-29	0.310	8-10	0.800	3	24	27	1.9	36/3	35	42	0	16	63	4.5
Hawley-Stewart	28/2	343	12.3	47-116	0.405	9-25	0.360	21-29	0.724	33	54	87	3.1	41/0	21	31	4	24	124	4.4
<i>BIG EAST</i>	16/0	156	9.8	21-61	0.344	6-15	0.400	5-6	0.833	11	17	28	1.8	18/0	8	8	1	11	53	3.3
Brooke Freeburg	26/19	407	15.7	31-103	0.301	10-45	0.222	31-44	0.705	30	29	59	2.3	44/0	22	40	3	23	103	4.0
<i>BIG EAST</i>	15/8	196	13.1	12-53	0.226	7-25	0.280	11-17	0.647	11	7	18	1.2	22/0	11	20	1	10	42	2.8
Kacee Wheeler	18/3	254	14.1	23-62	0.371	3-9	0.333	16-25	0.640	12	30	42	2.3	32/1	13	30	3	4	65	3.6
<i>BIG EAST</i>	14/1	175	12.5	18-41	0.439	3-7	0.429	10-17	0.588	8	24	32	2.3	20/0	7	15	0	2	49	3.5
Quiana Copeland	16/0	119	7.4	16-37	0.432	0-0	-----	2-5	0.400	8	24	32	2.0	19/0	2	11	8	5	34	2.1
<i>BIG EAST</i>	11/0	69	6.3	10-22	0.455	0-0	-----	2-3	0.667	2	13	15	1.4	8/0	2	9	5	2	22	2.0
Steffanie Shoop	17/0	93	5.5	12-24	0.500	1-2	0.500	5-14	0.357	9	6	15	0.9	10/0	4	12	2	4	30	1.8
<i>BIG EAST</i>	9/0	35	3.9	1-4	0.250	0-0	-----	2-6	0.333	1	3	4	0.4	4/0	0	3	0	1	4	0.4
Gayle Nwafili	5/1	34	6.8	3-9	0.333	0-0	-----	1-1	1.000	1	5	6	1.2	7/0	2	3	0	0	7	1.4
<i>BIG EAST</i>	1/0	4	4.0	0-2	0.000	0-0	-----	0-0	-----	0	0	0	0.0	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Andrea Horvath	6/0	16	2.7	1-6	0.167	0-0	-----	3-4	0.750	0	2	2	0.3	2/0	0	1	0	1	5	0.8
<i>BIG EAST</i>	4/0	5	1.3	0-2	0.000	0-0	-----	0-0	-----	0	1	1	0.3	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Katie Keefe	16/0	75	4.7	4-7	0.571	0-0	-----	0-0	-----	3	0	3	0.2	4/0	2	8	0	2	8	0.5
<i>BIG EAST</i>	10/0	25	2.5	0-2	0.000	0-0	-----	0-0	-----	1	0	1	0.1	2/0	1	3	0	0	0	0.0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>5625</b>		<b>601-1639</b>	<b>0.367</b>	<b>138-429</b>	<b>0.322</b>	<b>390-570</b>	<b>0.684</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>1073</b>	<b>38.3</b>	<b>587/17</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>1730</b>	<b>61.8</b>
<i>BIG EAST</i>	16	3200		331-912	0.363	90-251	0.359	213-312	0.683	221	381	602	37.6	332/9	202	352	44	124	965	60.3
<b>OPPONENT</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>5625</b>		<b>650-1575</b>	<b>0.413</b>	<b>104-326</b>	<b>0.319</b>	<b>472-681</b>	<b>0.693</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>1097</b>	<b>39.2</b>	<b>508/-</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>1876</b>	<b>67.0</b>
<i>BIG EAST</i>	16	3200		389-898	0.433	57-188	0.303	274-394	0.695	190	417	607	37.9	279/-	240	298	65	156	1109	69.3

## SCORE BY PERIODS

	1st	2nd	OT	=	TOTAL
Providence College	790	927	13	=	1730
Opponents	883	989	4	=	1876

## DEADBALL REBOUNDS

	OFF	DEF	=	TOTAL
Providence College	75	7	=	82
Opponents	93	5	=	98



# 2001-2002 FINAL RESULTS

<b>RECORD:</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Neutral</b>
All Games .....	13-15 .....	9-3 .....	4-10 .....	0-2
Conference .....	7-9 .....	6-2 .....	1-7 .....	0-0
Non-conference .....	6-6 .....	3-1 .....	3-3 .....	0-2

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEN	HIGHSCORER	HIGHREBOUNDER
11/16/01	at Siena	W 61-58	1369	Chrissy Vozab (17)	Chrissy Vozab (8)
11/19/01	at Holy Cross	L 58-75	1492	Jessica Simmonds (14)	Chrissy Vozab (8)
11/21/01	ST. BONAVENTURE	W 69-62	167	Dani Trippany (15)	Jenese Wilcox (9)
11/24/01	at Marist College	W 81-70	985	Dani Trippany (17) Chrissy Vozab (17)	Brooke Freeburg (9)
11/27/01	RHODE ISLAND	L 46-53	287	Dani Trippany (13)	Dani Trippany (13)
11/29/01	at Brown	W 67-53	423	Jenese Wilcox (14)	Dani Trippany (9)
12/2/01	ALABAMA	W 78-75	240	Chrissy Vozab (21)	Jessica Simmonds (9)
12/05/01	* at Rutgers	L 61-71	1566	Dani Trippany (18)	Dani Trippany (9)
12/08/01	NEW HAMPSHIRE	W(OT) 79-70	252	Ryann Kilgore (14)	Dani Trippany (9)
12/21/01	at Michigan State	L 47-64	2662	Jessica Simmonds (13)	Jessica Simmonds (8)
12/28/01	% at Montana	L 59-60	2223	Dani Trippany (14)	Dani Trippany (9)
12/29/01	% vs Idaho	L 65-66	3142	Dani Trippany (12)	C. Hawley-Stewart (9)
1/02/02	* GEORGETOWN	W 59-55	317	Chrissy Vozab (13) Jessica Simmonds (12)	Dani Trippany (10)
1/05/02	* at Notre Dame	L 66-72	7804	Ryann Kilgore (19)	Jen Gombotz (4)
1/09/02	* VILLANOVA	W 62-49	320	Dani Trippany (12)	Jessica Simmonds (8)
1/12/02	* at Syracuse	L 52-81	807	Dani Trippany (18)	Dani Trippany (7)
1/15/02	* at Boston College	L 49-69	1570	Michal Epstein (12)	Kristin Quinn (5)
1/19/02	* NOTRE DAME	L 41-69	1750	Michal Epstein (15)	Dani Trippany (5)
1/26/02	* at Seton Hall	L 54-64	1267	Dani Trippany (15)	Jessica Simmonds (7)
2/03/02	* CONNECTICUT	L 61-85	2574	Michal Epstein (23)	Dani Trippany (7)
2/6/02	* at St. John's	W 62-51		Keisha Blackwell (11)	Michal Epstein (8)
2/9/02	* SYRACUSE	W 80-70	1278	Dani Trippany (17)	Dani Trippany (10)
2/13/02	* VIRGINIA TECH	W 67-61	413	Chrissy Vozab (13)	Jessica Simmonds (10)
2/16/02	* at West Virginia	L 50-65	686	Michal Epstein (14)	Jessica Simmonds (13)
2/20/02	* at Connecticut	L 41-106	10027	Keisha Blackwell (6) Dani Trippany (6) Jessica Simmonds (6)	Dani Trippany (6)
2/23/02	* MIAMI	W 69-64	1228	Michal Epstein (15)	Jessica Simmonds (6)
2/26/02	* PITTSBURGH	W 91-77	223	Jessica Simmonds (19)	Dani Trippany (8)
3/02/02	# vs Seton Hall	L 55-61	3306	Michal Epstein (10)	Jessica Simmonds (6)

\* = *BIG EAST Conference contest*  
 % = *Lady Griz Holiday Classic (Missoula, Montana)*  
 # = *at BIG EAST Tournament (Piscataway, New Jersey.)*

## ATTENDANCE SUMMARY

	<u>Games</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Average</u>
Home .....	12 .....	9049 .....	754
Away .....	14 .....	32881 .....	2349
Neutral .....	2 .....	6448 .....	3224
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>28 .....</b>	<b>48378 .....</b>	<b>1728</b>



## 2001-2002 PROVIDENCE COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL 13-15 Overall/7-9 BIG EAST (Eighth Place)



Coach: Jim Jabir

Captains: Chrissy Vozab, Ryann Kilgore, Kristin Quinn, Jenese Wilcox

The Providence College women's basketball team finished the 2001-02 season with a 13-15 overall record and a 7-9 mark in BIG EAST Conference action. The Friars registered an impressive 9-3 record at home in Alumni Hall, a 4-10 record on the road and a 0-2 mark on neutral courts.

PC started the season with a 61-58 victory over Siena (11/16/01), in Loudonville, N.Y. The Friars fell to Holy Cross, 75-58, in their second game of the season on November 19, in Worcester, Mass. The Friars returned to Providence and hosted St. Bonaventure in the team's home-opener on November 21. PC defeated the Bonnies, 69-62, and went on to win four of its next six games to post a 6-3 overall record. One of the Friars' four wins in that span came on December 2 against a highly regarded Alabama squad, 78-75. The Friars stunned the Crimson, leading by as many as 25 points in the game.

The Friars fell to 6-6 overall with three-straight road losses, beginning in East Lansing, Mich. versus Michigan State (64-47) on December 21. PC travelled to Missoula, Mont. for the Lady Griz Holiday Classic where they were defeated at the buzzer by one point on two-consecutive nights. On December 28, PC dropped a, 60-59, decision to eventual tournament champion and host, Montana. The following night, the Friars fell in similar fashion to Idaho, 66-65, in the consolation game. Graduate student Dani Trippany (Massena, N.Y.) was honored as a member of the Lady Griz All-Tournament Team, after averaging 13 points, 9.5 rebounds and 2.5 assists in two games.

Providence returned home to Alumni Hall to earn its first BIG EAST Conference win of the season versus Georgetown, 59-55, on January 2. However, the Friars would drop six of their next seven contests, with the teams' only win in that span coming against Villanova (62-49), on January 9. Villanova was one of five teams from the BIG EAST Conference to compete in the 2002 NCAA Championship Tournament.

Holding a 8-12 overall record and a 2-6 mark in the BIG EAST, the Friars rebounded with three-straight wins against BIG EAST Conference opponents to boost their record to 11-12 overall and 5-6 in league play. On February 6, PC defeated St. John's on the road, 62-51. The Friars returned to Alumni Hall to gain victories over Syracuse (80-70) on February 9, and #21-ranked Virginia Tech (67-61) on February 13. The win over the Hokies was the first victory versus a nationally ranked team under the six-year direction of Head Coach Jim Jabir.

Providence finished the regular-season schedule winning two-of-four games. On February 16, the team fell to West Virginia, 65-50, in Morgantown, W. Va. On February 20, the Friars dropped their second game of the season to eventual National Champion, Connecticut, 106-41, in Storrs, Conn. The white and black capped off the season with two-straight wins versus Miami (69-64) on February 23, and Pittsburgh (91-77) on February 26.

The Friars completed the regular season with a 13-14 overall record and a 7-9 BIG EAST Conference mark. The team finished eighth in the conference standings, and faced No. 9 Seton Hall in the 2002 BIG EAST Conference Championship. PC was defeated, 61-55, by the Pirates in the first round of the tournament, held in Piscataway, N.J. on March 2. Prior to the tournament, freshman Jessica Simmonds (South Orange, N.J.) was honored as a member of the 2001-02 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team. Simmonds also earned BIG EAST Rookie of the Week honors on February 11.

Statistically, Trippany finished first on the team in scoring (10.8 ppg), field goal percentage (102-237, 43.0%), three-point percentage (21-51, 41.2 percent) and free-throw percentage (76-93, 81.7 percent). Trippany finished second in rebounding (6.2 rpg), minutes per game (27.5 mpg) and blocked shots (25). She led the team in scoring in 11 games and was the high-rebounder in 13 contests. Trippany was given the Coaches' Award at the end of the season, as the team's most valuable player. Simmonds finished first among her teammates in rebounding (6.5 rpg) and blocked shots (35).

Senior Chrissy Vozab (Amenia, N.Y.) was honored for her academic and athletic success as a 2001-02 Verizon/CoSida Academic All-District I Women's University Division Second-Team selection. Vozab finished the year averaging 7.2 point, 2.6 rebounds, 2.2 assists and 1.4 steals per game. Vozab and junior forward Andrea Horvath (Sopron, Hungary) were each given the Team Academic Award at the Friar's annual banquet on April 21. Vozab, Trippany, Horvath and sophomore Katie Keefe (Avon, Conn.) were honored by the BIG EAST Conference as BIG EAST Academic All-Stars.

## 2001-2002 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL LETTERWINNERS

Dani Trippany '01

Catrina Hawley-Stewart '02

Chrissy Vozab '02

Brooke Freeburg '03

Andrea Horvath '03

Steffanie Shoop '03

Kacee Wheeler '03

Katie Keefe '04

Ryann Kilgore '04

Kristin Quinn '04

Jenese Wilcox '04

Keisha Blackwell '05

Quiana Copeland '05

Michal Epstein '05

Gayle Nwafili '05

Jessica Simmonds '05

## 2001-2002 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL AWARDS AND HONORS

### **ANDREA HORVATH**

Providence College Women's Basketball Team Academic Award

BIG EAST Academic All-Star

### **KATIE KEEFE**

Providence College Women's Basketball Hustle Award

BIG EAST Academic All-Star

### **RYANN KILGORE**

Providence College Women's Basketball Most Improved Player Award

### **JESSICA SIMMONDS**

2001-02 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team

BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (2/11/02)

### **DANI TRIPPANY**

2001-02 Lady Griz Holiday Classic All-Tournament Team

Providence College Women's Basketball Coaches' Award

Paul Connolly Award Recipient

BIG EAST Academic All-Star

### **CHRISSY VOZAB**

2002 Verizon Academic All-District I University Division Second Team

Providence College Women's Basketball Team Academic Award Recipient

BIG EAST Academic All-Star