

LONE STAR CONFERENCE VOLLEYBALL

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2012 LSC STANDINGS								
School	Conf	CPct.	Overall	Pct.	Streak	Home	Away	Neutral
West Texas A&M	0-0	0.000	5-0	1.000	W5	5-0	0-0	0-0
Angelo State	0-0	0.000	4-0	1.000	W4	4-0	0-0	0-0
Midwestern State	0-0	0.000	4-0	1.000	W4	4-0	0-0	0-0
Texas A&M-Commerce	0-0	0.000	4-0	1.000	W4	0-0	1-0	3-0
Texas Woman's	0-0	0.000	3-1	0.750	W1	0-0	2-0	1-1
Cameron	0-0	0.000	2-2	0.500	L1	0-0	0-0	2-2
Eastern New Mexico	0-0	0.000	2-2	0.500	W2	1-0	0-0	1-2
Tarleton State	0-0	0.000	2-2	0.500	L1	0-0	0-0	2-2
Texas A&M-Kingsville	0-0	0.000	2-2	0.500	W2	0-0	0-0	2-2

LSC VOLLEYBALL

The Lone Star Conference volleyball season is underway with all nine teams competing in tournament play.

After one week of action, four teams - West Texas A&M, Angelo State, Midwestern State and A&M-Commerce - are all undefeated.

WT and ASU will play in the Colorado Premier Challenge this week, which includes seven teams ranked in the current AVCA Coaches Top 25 Poll.

LSC volleyball teams are 28-9 overall this season. The squads are currently 7-1 combined versus Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference teams, and 6-1 against the Heartland Conference, which are the other conferences in the NCAA South Central Region.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSIVE

Laura Iwuchukwu, West Texas A&M University, SR, Edmond, Okla., Edmond North

Iwuchukwu started off the 2013 season on a strong note this past weekend as she led the #10 Lady Buffs to the BritKare Lady Buff Classic Championship with a perfect 4-0 record following a season opening sweep of CSU-Pueblo on Thursday night as WT starts off the season 5-0. The Edmond, Oklahoma native registered 39 kills to average 2.44 per set for a hitting percentage of .438 to go along with 13.5 total blocks to average an impressive 1.56 per set. Iwuchukwu registered 14 kills on Friday morning in the tournament opener against UT-Permian Basin to go along with two total blocks and three digs in a Lady Buff sweep of the Falcons.

Maddie Huth, Angelo State University, SR, The Colony, Texas, The Colony HS

Huth picked up right where she left off as an AVCA All-American last season with a dominant performance throughout the ASU Invitational. Huth was named the tournament MVP after having 41 kills, 16 blocks and a .317 hitting percentage in 13 sets played. Huth helped lead the Belles to a 4-0 record at the invitational, including having 15 kills against Dallas Baptist in the season opener.

DEFENSIVE

Shelby Wilt, Angelo State University, JR, Dalhart, Texas, Dalhart HS

Wilt validated her LSC Preseason Defensive Player of the Week recognition right away by leading the Belle defense throughout its four matches at the ASU Invitational. Wilt led the Belles with 56 digs (4 per set) and had only two errors throughout the weekend. Wilt, who played the majority of the time at libero, also saw time at setter and had 26 assists. Not known for her blocking, she did provide a nice solo block in ASU's five-set victory over Arkansas Fort Smith in the final match of the invitational. She now has 1,290 digs in her career which is only a weekend into her junior season.

Kaitlyn Molloy, Midwestern State University, JR, Litchfield, Ariz., Graham-Kapowsin HS (Spanaway, Wash.)

Molloy proved to be a triple threat as the 5-8, 6-rotation middle blocker played a key role in Midwestern State's defensive efforts as the Mustangs came away with a 4-0 mark and the team title at the MSU/Hampton Innvitaitonal. The transfer from North Idaho averaged 0.69 blocks per set at the net then showed her athleticism with 3.62 digs per set while playing on the back row. Molloy's efforts spurred a defense which limited the opposition to a .095 team hitting percentage. The aggressive server added six service aces for good measure.

SETTER

Jordan Neal, Texas A&M University - Commerce, SR, Joshua, Texas, Joshua HS

Neal continued to anchor the Lion offensive attack, dishing out 155 assists in four matches while adding a team-high six service aces and 20 points as A&M-Commerce posted a perfect 4-0 mark at the HSU tournament. Neal opened up the season with 53 helpers against Alabama-Huntsville, followed by 28 assists and three aces against the host Lady Reddies. Neal then posted back-to-back 30 assist matches on Saturday, dishing out 35 against Christian Brothers and 39 against Southwest Baptist. Neal also added 10 kills while hitting .471 with seven blocks and 40 digs, recording three double-doubles in four matches over the weekend.

Kayla Rivero, Texas Woman's University, JR, McKinney, Texas, McKinney

Rivero led the team with 90 assists in a 6-2 offense. She led all four games in assists and recorded two double-

FIRST SERVE

 Two LSC teams are ranked in AVCA poll (Sept. 9): No. 9 West Texas A&M and No. 11 Angelo State.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

Dallas Baptist at Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m. Texas Wesleyan at Tarleton State, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, September 11, 2013

Our Lady of the Lake at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 7 p.m.

Friday, September 13, 2013

Southern Nazarene vs Cameron, 11 a.m. Texas A&M-Kingsville at Lubbock Christian, 11 a.m. Western NM vs Eastern New Mexico, 11:30 a.m. Tampa vs West Texas A&M, 12 p.m. Nebraska-Kearney vs Angelo State, 1 p.m. Texas A&M Int'l vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 1 p.m. Midwestern State at Lubbock Christian, 1 p.m. Fort Lewis vs Tarleton State, 1 p.m. St. Mary's vs Texas A&M-Kingsville, 3 p.m. West Texas A&M at Regis, 3:30 p.m. Grand Valley State vs Texas Woman's, 4 p.m. Metro State vs Angelo State, 4:30 p.m. St. Mary's vs Midwestern State, 5 p.m. Colorado Mesa vs Eastern New Mexico, 7 p.m. Cameron at Southeastern Oklahoma, 7 p.m. Texas A&M-Commerce at Lubbock Christian, 7 p.m. Western Oregon vs Tarleton State, 7:30 p.m. Texas Woman's at Colorado Mines, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 14, 2013

Texas-Permian Basin vs Midwestern State, 9 a.m. UT-Permian Basin vs Texas A&M-Kingsville, 9 a.m. Western Oregon vs Texas Woman's, 11 a.m. Washburn vs Tarleton State, 12 p.m. Cameron at East Central, 1 p.m. St. Mary's vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 1 p.m. Texas A&M Int'l vs Texas A&M-Kingsville, 1 p.m. Western State vs Eastern New Mexico, 2 p.m. Texas A&M Int'l vs Midwestern State, 3 p.m. Fort Lewis vs Texas Woman's, 3:30 p.m. Tarleton State at Colorado Mines, 4:30 p.m. Northwestern Oklahoma vs Cameron, 5 p.m. UT-Permian Basin vs Texas A&M-Commerce, 5 p.m. Eastern New Mexico at NM Highlands, 7 p.m. TBD vs Angelo State, TBD TBD vs Angelo State, TBD TBD vs West Texas A&M, TBD TBD vs West Texas A&M, TBD

All times are CST; * denotes LSC game

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Complete results at lonestarconference.org.

WEEKLY AWARDS

Offensive

1-10 Laura Iwuchukwu, WTAMU Maddie Huth. ASU

<u>Defensive</u>

S-10 Shelby Wilt, ASU Kaitlyn Molloy, MSU doubles. Rivero posted 28 assists and 12 digs in an upset win over #23 Adams State and then added 21 assists and 14 digs against St. Edward's. She also had 32 assists against St. Mary's.

OTHER TOP PERFORMERS

Caitlin Wallace, Midwestern State University, SR, Amarillo, Texas, Amarillo HS, Wallace earned all-tournament honors while leading Midwestern State to a 4-0 showing and a team title at the MSU/Hampton Inn-vitational last weekend. The senior middle blocker from Amarillo paced the Mustangs with 2.67 kills per set while hitting an efficient .391 while also averaging 0.92 digs and 0.67 blocks per set. She recorded nine kills, seven digs and three total blocks in a 3-1 season opening victory over McMurry on Friday before erupting to a pair of dominant efforts against Southwestern Oklahoma (10 kills, 5 total blocks) and Southern Nazarene (11 kills) while committing single errors in each match on Saturday.

Mallory Kuechle , Texas Woman's University, FR, Tyler, TX, Robert E. Lee, Mallory Kuechle made her collegiate debut with a bang leading the game with 18 kills in an upset win over #23 Adams State. She posted two double-doubles in her first two collegiate games and was named to the all-tournament team at the Hilltopper-Rattle Classic. Kuechle leads the team in kills per set (2.92), hitting percentage (.289) and service aces (4). She also has 29 digs on defense.

Kelle Carver, Cameron University, SO, Shawnee, KS, Shawnee Mission Northwest HS, Kelle Carver in her first weekend back after missing the entire 2012 season didn't miss a step getting 51 kills at the Henderson State Classic. Carver recorded 10 kills and two errors for a .533 hitting percentage in their season opener against Christian Brothers, and had 15 kills with a .417 attack percentage against Alabama-Huntsville. Against Southwestern Baptist, Carver had a weekend high 21 kills. She averaged 3.64 kills per set and chipped in eight total blocks in four matches played.

Kaitlyn White, Tarleton State University, JR, Lindale, Lindale HS, Kaitlyn White made her presence known in her first action as a TexAnn last weekend at the Angelo State Invitational. The junior transfer recorded three double-doubles in kills and digs while posting a total of 54 kills and 50 digs in four games. White led the team in kills (54) and points (57.5) while finishing the tourney second on the team in digs (50) and hitting percentage (.231). She opened the tournament with a 21 kill effort against Colorado State-Pueblo to lead Tarleton to a 3-1 victory to open the season. Her 21 kills in her debut are the most by a TexAnn newcomer in a Tarleton debut under head coach Mary Schindler. White was also named to the ASU Invitational all-tournament team.

Amy Davault, Texas A&M University - Commerce, JR, Houston, Texas, Jersey Village H.S., Davault had an impressive debut weekend for A&M-Commerce, recording 49 kills and hitting .223 while leading the Lions to a perfect 4-0 start to start the 2013 season. Davault opened up the first day of the HSU Invitational with nine kills against Alabama-Huntsville, followed by eight with a .350 hitting percentage against Henderson State. Saturday she emerged as one of the Lions' top offensive threats, recording 16 kills each against Christian Brothers and Southwest Baptist. Davault also notched five service aces and four blocks on the weekend.

Courtney Lawson, Eastern New Mexico University, FR, Rio Rancho, N.M., V. Sue Cleveland HS, Courtney Lawson led Eastern New Mexico to a pair of wins at Midwestern State's Hampton Inn-Vitational over the weekend. She had 46 total kills (3.29 k/set), 44 digs,

four blocks and four service aces. She registered three double-doubles in four matches. She had 13 kills, 10 digs and two blocks in win over McMurry, 12 kills, 10 digs, four service aces and two blocks in victory against Northwestern Oklahoma State and 19 digs versus Southwestern Oklahoma State. She was also named to the Hampton Inn-Vitational All-Tournament Team

Emily Klein, Tarleton State University, SR, Amarillo, Amarillo HS, Emily Klein was a defensive presence for the TexAnns at the Angelo State Invitational. The senior libero led the team with 64 digs (4.92 digs per set) en route to Tarleton winning two of their four matches on the weekend.

Morgan Wilson, Texas Woman's University, JR, White Oak, TX, White Oak, Morgan Wilson led the team with 61 digs in the four games at the Hilltopper-Rattle Classic. She led three of the four games in digs and tied her career-high with 29 against the host St. Mary's. Wilson also had 12 in an upset win over #23 Adams State and added 15 against St. Edward's.

Stephanie Johns, Texas A&M University - Kingsville, JR, Lubbock, Tx, Coronado HS, Middle blocker Stephanie Johns had a stellar first weekend for the Javelinas at the SpringHill Suites Invitational. She earned all-tourney honors after posting 30 kills, 12 total blocks and three aces. Johns had a team-best seven total blocks against Notre Dame de Namur to help lead the team to its first victory of the season. In the tournament finale, Johns hit .458 with 13 kills in a three-set win over Claflin.

Agatha Gibbons, Eastern New Mexico University, JR, Suva, Fiji, St. Joseph's Secondary School/New Mexico Military Institute, Agatha Gibbons paced Eastern New Mexico with 13 total blocks this past weekend at the MSU Hampton Inn-Vitational. She had 11 block assists and two solo blocks to average 0.93 blocks per set. Seven of her blocks (1 solo, 6 assisted) came in a four-set victory over Northwestern Oklahoma State. Gibbons also recorded 12 kills in the four matches.

Maggi Jo Keffury, Angelo State University, JR, Arroyo, California, Arroyo Grande HS, Maggi Jo Keffury started her career at Angelo State in style by leading the Belles to a 4-0 record and orchestrating the offense with 121 assists in those matches. Keffury, a junior transfer from New Mexico State, helped the Belles to three sweeps in the invitational and to a .230 team hitting percentage.

Danielle Barker, Tarleton State University, SR, Amarillo, Amarillo HS, Danielle Barker played in every volley for the TexAnns over the weekend, amassing 141 total assists in 13 sets. The senior from Amarillo averaged 10.85 assists per set and also had three service aces. With her assists in the opening tournament, Barker also moved up the Tarleton all-time assists list by passing Didi Ebert for third place in TexAnn history.

Kayla Hebert, Cameron University, FR, McKinney, Texas, Heritage HS, As a true freshman starter for the Aggies, Kayla Hebert recorded 145 assists in her first weekend, averaging 10.35 assists per set. Additionally, Hebert had four blocks over the weekend and 34 digs. On Sept. 7, against Southwest Baptist she had 48 assists and 22 digs, earning her first double-double. One day prior, against Christian Brothers, a team that went to the second round of the NCAA Tournament, Hebert guided the Ags to a team hitting percentage of .356. This was their highest hitting mark since October, 2011 against Eastern New Mexico. Cameron finished the Henderson State Classic with a 2-2 overall record.

Karra Day, Eastern New Mexico University, JR, Escondido, Calif., Escondido High School/New Mexico Military Institute, Karra Day led Eastern New Mexico <u>Setter</u>

S-10 Jordan Neal, A&M-C Kayla Rivero, TWU



with 132 assists (9.32 a/set) over four matches at Midwestern State's Hampton Inn-Vitational as the Zias went 2-2. She had two kills and two service aces over the weekend. The Zias hit .093 at the tournament with a .157 percentage in the two victories.

Sarah Rosinke, Midwestern State University, FR, League City, Texas, Clear Springs HS, Rosinke averaged 5.62 assists per set playing a key role in leading Midwestern State to a .257 team hitting percentage playing out of a 6-2 system. The true frosh out of Clear Springs High in League City recorded 24 assists with six digs in a season-opening win over McMurry before completing a double-double with 15 assists and 14 digs against Southwestern Oklahoma and recording 24 assists and seven digs in a sweep of Southern Nazarene on Saturday. Rosinke boasted a solid .410 set percentage while helping the Mustangs to the team title at the MSU/Hampton Inn-vitational.

LSC NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

Angelo State

The defending conference champions started the 2013 season with a 4-0 record at the Angelo State Invitational last weekend at the Junell Center. The Belles earned sweeps over Dallas Baptist, Colorado State-Pueblo and Colorado Mesa before taking a five-set victory over Arkansas Fort Smith to complete the weekend. The Belles finished the weekend with 286 digs, 25 blocks, 188 kills and 26 aces. Defensively, the Belles only allowed five aces and held opponents to a .085 hitting percentage. ASU resumes competition this weekend at the Colorado Premier being played in Denver, Colo. The Belles open against No. 3 Nebraska-Kearney and Metro State on Friday with Saturday's matches to be determined by Friday's results.

Cameron

Cameron went 2-2 last week in the Henderson State Classic, beating Christian Brothers and Alabama-Huntsville in straight sets. Over four matches, the Aggies put up an attack percentage of .174, and averaged 12.9 kills per set. In their season opener against Christian Brothers, CU had an attack percentage of .356, which was their highest as a team since Oct. 2011 vs. Eastern New Mexico. Kelle Carver in her return to the floor gave the Aggies 51 kills and an attack percentage of .250, and freshman Kayla Hebert recorded 145 assists. Hebert also had her first career double-double vs. Southwest Baptist on Sept. 7, getting 48 assists and 22 digs. Cameron will split a weekend trip to Ada and Durant, Okla. on Sept. 13-14.

Eastern New Mexico

Eastern New Mexico went 2-2 over the weekend at Midwestern State's Hampton Inn-Vitational. They fell to Southwestern Oklahoma State and Southern Nazarene on Friday and defeated McMurry and Northwestern Oklahoma State on Saturday. As a team, the Zias hit .093 with 150 kills and 25 blocks. Freshman Courtney Lawson led the team with 46 kills while also contributing 44 digs, four blocks and four service aces. Fellow freshman Lauren Frye was

second on the team with 40 kills while juniors Karra Day and Agatha Gibbons had 132 assists (9.43 a/set) and 13 blocks, respectively. This weekend ENMU plays at New Mexico Highlands in the I.C. Bhakta Volleyball Invitational with games against Colorado Mesa and on Friday and Western State and the host Cowgirls on Saturday.

Midwestern State

Midwestern State rolled to four wins while dropping a single set to claim the team title of the MSU/Hampton Inn-vitational... It's just the second time since 1988 that MSU has started a season at 4-0 and the first time since the 2008 squad peeled off 18 consecutive wins from the beginning of the campaign... MSU leads the LSC in kills per set (14.31)... Senior middle blocker Caitlin Wallace garnered all-tournament honors leading the team with 2.67 kills per set hitting an efficient .391 with 0.92 digs and 0.67 blocks per set... MSU varied its attack as five different players averaged more than 2.00 kills per game including Wallace, sophomore OH Marissa Olivares (2.38), senior RS Michelle Blount (2.31), senior OH Beatriz Villalba (2.23) and junior MB Kaitlyn Molloy (2.00)... The 6-3 setter combination of senior Marija Javanovic (5.31 aps, 1.84 kps, 3.00 dps, 0.23 bps) and freshman Sarah Rosinke (5.62 aps, 2.46 dps) piloted the MSU attack to a LSC leading .257 team hitting percentage... Jovanovic posted a double double with 16 assists and 15 digs in a 3-1 win over McMurry on Friday, while Rosinke matched her with 15 assists and 14 digs in a 3-0 win over Southwestern Oklahoma on Saturday... Junior DS Casey Fletcher ranks third in the LSC at 4.31 digs per set after recording 12-or-more digs in three of MSU's four matches including a high 22 against McMurry... Fletcher was just one of three players to average more than three digs per set over the weekend as she was joined by junior Kaitlyn Molloy (3.62) and Jovanovic (3.00)... The Mustangs compete in the Heartland/LSC Challenge Friday and Saturday in Lubbock...

Tarleton State

Tarleton State opened its season in San Angelo at the Angelo State Invitational where the TexAnns went 2-2. Led by newcomer Kaitlyn White, Tarleton handled Colorado State-Pueblo and Dallas Baptist 3-1 and 3-0, respectively, but fell to Arkansas-Fort Smith and Colorado Mesa in sweeps. Danielle Barker and Emily Klein each made individual achievements by moving up one spot each in the Tarleton record books for assists and digs, respectively. Barker is now third all-time in assists and closing in on second while Klein is in fourth and just four digs shy of sole possession of third place on the Tarleton list.

Texas A&M-Commerce

A&M-Commerce opened up the 2013 season in impressive style, posting a 4-0 mark at the Henderson State Lady Reddie Invitational ... The Lions notched a 3-1 victory over Alabama-Huntsville in the opener, led by 53 assists from Jordan Neal, a career-best 16 kills from Ciara Holmes and 15 more from Kayla Bond ... Freshman Taryn Driver added 11 kills and hit .500 in her debut ... The Lions toppled Henderson State 3-0 in the nightcap with four players scoring seven or more kills ... Saturday the Lions defeated Christian Brothers 3-1 after dropping the first set as Amy Davault notched 16 kills ... A&M-C closed out the tournament with a 3-0 win over Southwest Baptist as Davault once again had 16 kills while Bond added 11 for the Lions.

Texas A&M-Kingsville

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Texas Woman's

TWU volleyball team is off to a 3-1 start and earned nine votes in the first AVCA Top-25 poll. The Pioneers knocked off #23 Adams State, 3-2, in the season opener and then defeated the host St. Edward's, 3-1, on Friday. TWU fell to #8 Central Missouri, 3-0, but bounced back to defeat St. Mary's 3-2. Senior Chloe' Tate leads the team on offense with 39 kills and 49.0 total points. She also has a team-best 14 total blocks. Freshman Mallory Kuechle has 35 kills and has a team-best .289 hitting percentage. Junior Morgan Wilson is the leader on defense with 61 digs and junior Jayla Rivero leads the team with 90 assists in a 6-2 offense.

West Texas A&M

The #10 Lady Buffs started off the 2013 season on a high note this past weekend as they swept CSU-Pueblo in a season opener before claiming the BritKare Lady Buff Classic title with a perfect 4-0 weekend with wins over UT-Permian Basin, Western State Colorado University, Lubbock Christian and UC-Colorado Springs. The Lady Buffs (5-0) now head to Denver, Colorado to defend their Colorado Premiere Title as they are set to face-off with #2 Tampa and #14 Regis on the opening day followed by a pool-play tournament.