

# LONE STAR CONFERENCE BASKETBALL WEEKLY RELEASE | JANUARY 12, 2015

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#### LSC BASKETBALL

Three teams - Midwestern State men, Angelo State men and MSU women - are unbeaten in Lone Star Conference action.

MSU leads the men's standings at 3-0 with a 10-game winning streak which is the 20th run of at least 10 games in school history and the seventh in the last seven seasons. ASU is 1-0 and has won eight straight contests.

The Mustangs top the women's standing at 4-0 with 12 consecutive victories which ranks as the second longest streak in program history.

This week's slate includes seven LSC games for the men, and nine on the women's side. Games to watch include Midwestern State at Tarleton State Wednesday and Texas Woman's at MSU Sunday.

The LSC men have an 82-35 overall record so far this season including an 8-7 mark last week. In the NCAA South Central Region, the men's teams are currently 13-6 combined versus Heartland Conference teams and 8-7 against the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

The LSC women are 61-52 overall with an 11-10 mark last week. The women's squads are currently 13-17 combined against the Heartland, and 6-3 versus RMAC teams, which are the other conferences in the NCAA South Central Region.

The LSC champion will be the regular season winner determined by league games, while the postseason tournament winner is designated as LSC Tournament Champion and earns the conference's automatic qualification. The top eight teams in the final conference standings qualify for the postseason tournament set for March 4-7 in Allen, Texas.

# **PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

#### MEN'S OFFENSIVE

#### Darrell Williams, Texas A&M University - Commerce, SR, Forward, Chicago, Ill, Dunbar Vocational HS

Williams notched back-to-back 20 point scoring games with 24 points and 26 points in a pair of Lion wins during the week. The senior paced the A&M-Commerce with 24 points and a staggering 21 rebounds in a 91-61 win over Arlington Baptist. Williams, who entered the contest as one of eight players in Division II with a 20 rebound game became the second player to record 20 or more rebounds twice during the 2014-15 season. He followed up his Arlington Baptist performance by notching 26 points and 17 rebounds in an 87-71 win over Texas A&M-Kingsville for the Lions first LSC win of the season. Williams carried the Lions in the first half with 17 points. He leads the league in rebounding and ranks second in scoring and is the only player in the LSC averaging a double-double.

# MEN'S DEFENSIVE

# Chris Jones, Angelo State University, SR, Guard, Dallas, Texas, Lakeview Centennial HS

Jones increased his national-leading steals total to 46 by adding four steals to the resume against Tarleton State last Wednesday in a game where he also had six assists, seven rebounds and 12 points. Jones leads the Rams with his 3.3 steals per game this season and is also averaging 4.3 rebounds per game. His 81 assists leads the conference and he has recorded 19 steals in the past four games. With Jones leading the way, ASU limited Tarleton to a season-low 34.5 field-goal percentage and also handed the Texans their first loss of the season.

# **WOMEN'S OFFENSIVE**

# Andrea Carter, Midwestern State University, SR, Forward, Angleton, Texas, Angleton HS

Carter dropped in a team-high 17 points and pulled down nine rebounds to help Midwestern State to a 77-64 win over No. 3-ranked West Texas A&M Wednesday night at D.L. Ligon Coliseum. It was the Mustangs' first win over a Top 10 team since joining NCAA Division II in 1997. The senior from Angleton knocked down 6-of-9 shots from the field while going 5-of-7 from the charity stripe. Carter followed the performance with a 15-point, 8-rebound effort in a 26-point win over Eastern New Mexico on Sunday. She averaged 16.0 points and 8.5 rebounds while shooting 61.1 percent from the field for the week.

# **WOMEN'S DEFENSIVE**

#### Erin Maxwell, Texas Woman's University, SO, Center, Dallas, Texas, Ursuline Academy

Maxwell has averaged 11.0 points, 8.5 rebounds and 4.5 blocks per game to help the Pioneers to a 2-0 record last week. She posted 13 points, 7 rebounds and 4 blocks in a road win at Texas A&M-Kingsville and then added 9 points, 10 rebounds and 5 blocks in a home win against Angelo State. Maxwell had recorded 9 or more points and 7 or more rebounds in three straight games. She is currently ranked second in LSC in rebounds (10.0) and tied for first in blocks (3.3) against the conference foes. On the season Maxwell leads the team with 20 blocks. As a team, the Pioneers limited opponents to a 33.3 field-goal percentage and a 51.0 scoring average.

# **MEN'S OTHER TOP PERFORMERS**

John Gilliam, Eastern New Mexico University, was Eastern's leading offensive threat last week and averaged 23 points per game at Cameron and against Midwestern State. He shot .407 for the week, 128 points above the team shooting percentage of .279. Gilliam has scored at least 19 points in each of the last four games and converted 20 of 24 free throw attempts in last week's two games.

Demario Mayfield, Angelo State University, led Angelo State with 22 points and added three assists in a 78-60 win over Tarleton State last Wednesday in the only game of the week for the Rams. Mayfield has now

# **MEN'S STANDINGS**

School	LSC	Overall	Streak
Midwestern State	3-0	14-3	W10
Angelo State	1-0	13-1	W8
Tarleton State	1-1	13-1	W1
Texas A&M-Commerce	1-1	11-3	W2
West Texas A&M	1-1	10-5	W1
Cameron	1-1	9-5	L1
Eastern New Mexico	0-2	7-8	L2
Texas A&M-Kingsville	0-2	5-9	L2

# WOMEN'S STANDINGS

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School	LSC	Overall	Streak
Midwestern State	4-0	13-1	W12
Texas Woman's	3-1	10-5	W3
Tarleton State	2-1	8-3	W2
Texas A&M-Commerce	2-1	7-5	W3
West Texas A&M	1-1	10-2	W1
Cameron	1-1	4-7	L1
Angelo State	0-3	5-8	L3
Eastern New Mexico	0-2	4-8	L3
Texas A&M-Kingsville	0-3	0-13	L13

# **MEN'S SCHEDULE**

#### Wednesday, January 14, 2015

- \*Midwestern State at Tarleton State, 7:30 p.m.
- \*Cameron at Texas A&M-Commerce, 7:30 p.m.
- \*Angelo State at West Texas A&M, 7:30 p.m.
- \*Texas A&M-Kingsville at Eastern New Mexico, 8:30 p.m.

# Saturday, January 17, 2015

- \*Tarleton State at Cameron, 4 p.m.
- \*West Texas A&M at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 4 p.m.
- \*Eastern New Mexico at Angelo State, 6 p.m. McMurry at Texas A&M-Commerce, 6 p.m.

# **WOMEN'S SCHEDULE**

# Wednesday, January 14, 2015

- \*Cameron at Texas A&M-Commerce, 5:30 p.m.
- \*Angelo State at West Texas A&M, 5:30 p.m.
- \*Midwestern State at Tarleton State, 5:30 p.m.
- \*Texas A&M-Kingsville at Eastern New Mexico, 6:30 p.m.

# Thursday, January 15, 2015

\*Cameron at Texas Woman's, 7 p.m.

# Saturday, January 17, 2015

\*West Texas A&M at Texas A&M-Kingsville, 2 p.m.

- \*Tarleton State at Cameron, 2 p.m.
- \*Eastern New Mexico at Angelo State, 4 p.m. McMurry at Texas A&M-Commerce, 4 p.m.

# Sunday, January 18, 2015

\*Texas Woman's at Midwestern State, 3 p.m.

# **LAST WEEK'S RESULTS**

Complete results at lonestarconference.org.

# **WEEKLY AWARDS**

Date	Men's Offensive
N-18	Darrell Williams, Texas A&M-Commerce
N-24	LaDon Carnegie, Texas A&M-Commerce
D-1	Demario Mayfield, Angelo State
D-8	Chris Jones, Angelo State
D-16	Chris Wyms, Eastern New Mexico
D-22	Marsell Holden, Angelo State

scored 20 or more points in five games this season and leads ASU with 16.4 points per game and is second on the team and conference with 63 assists. He also pulled down five rebounds and had two steals for the Rams who controlled the second half and handed the Texans their first loss of the season.

Michael Hardge, Tarleton State University, put together the best week of his Tarleton career to begin Lone Star Conference play last week. The junior point guard posted back-to-back career nights, including his first 20-point performance to lift Tarleton State to a 59-44 win over Texas A&M-Kingsville Saturday night. Hardge began the week with 17 points and dished out five assists at the Junell Center against No. 19 Angelo State, which set a new precedent for the junior point guard. He followed up with a new mark of excellence Saturday night when he scored a team-high 20 points to lead the No. 3 Texans over the Javelinas. Hardge was 4-8 from the field and connected on 11 free throws. For the week, Hardge tallied 37 points for an average of 18.5 points per game to go along with seven assists, seven rebounds and three steals.

Xavier Blackburn, Midwestern State University, shot 81.3 percent from the field as Midwestern State extended its winning streak to 10 games with victories over West Texas A&M and Eastern New Mexico. The 6-4, 210-pound senior connected on 8-of-11 shots from the field to notch his second straight double-double with 17 points and 12 rebounds against West Texas A&M Wednesday at D.L. Ligon Coliseum. Blackburn logged a perfect shooting night in a 35-point drubbing of Eastern New Mexico on Sunday going for 5-for-5 from the field with two 3-pointers while knocking down both of his free throws to finish with 14 points, four rebounds and three steals in 22 minutes against the Greyhounds. He went 13-of-16 from the field for week including 3-of-5 from 3-point range to average 15.5 points and 8.0 rebounds per game.

Miles Gatewood, West Texas A&M University, had a strong week offensively for the Buffs to open up LSC play. He led the team in scoring with 16 points against Midwestern State on Wednesday. Then on Saturday, he went 4-for-5 in 3-point attempts with 14 points and set up the final play of the game, assisting on the winning bucket with 1.8 seconds left, lifting the Buffs over Cameron, 83-82. Between both games, Gatewood went 10-for-24 (.417) from the field and 6-for-12 (.500) from beyond the arc with 10 assists.

Thad Rideau, Midwestern State University, provided Midwestern State with a defensive spark off of the bench in helping the Mustangs extended their winning streak to 10 games with victories over West Texas A&M and Eastern New Mexico last week. The 6-4, 185-pound guard from Port Arthur recorded a pair of blocked shots as the Mustangs limited West Texas A&M to a 34.4-percent shooting night before limiting Eastern New Mexico to a 22.6-percent shooting effort in a 35-point drubbing of the Greyhounds. Rideau finished with 11 points to go along with a blocked shot and three steals against ENMU. For the week, the Mustangs limited the opposition to a 50-point scoring average and 28.9-percent shooting.

TaShawn Mabry, Tarleton State University, was an anchor for the nation's second-ranked defense in the nation Saturday night as the senior from Rocky Mount, North Carolina led the effort in a 59-44 defensive showcase against Texas A&M-Kingsville. The Texan defense was on point all week, holding Angelo State to 15 points below its season average and Texas A&M-Kingsville to 30 points below its season average. Mabry led the team in rebounding last week with 13, including 10 on the defensive end. In the final 7:47 of the win against Kingsville, Mabry and Tarleton State held the Javelinas without a single field goal and just three points on free throws to pull away. During that run, Mabry grabbed a team-high four rebounds and scored five points en route to the win. For the week, Tarleton held its opponents to 61 points per game on a .385 shooting percentage from the floor.

Darrell Williams, Texas A&M University - Commerce, notched back-to-back 20 point scoring games with 24 points and 26 points in a pair of Lion wins during the week. The senior paced the A&M-Commerce with 24 points and a staggering 21 rebounds in a 91-61 win over Arlington Baptist. Williams, who entered the contest as one of eight players in Division II with a 20 rebound game became the second player to record 20 or more rebounds twice during the 2014-15 season. He followed up his Arlington Baptist performance by notching 26 points and 17 rebounds in an 87-71 win over Texas A&M-Kingsville for the Lions first LSC win of the season. Williams carried the Lions in the first half with 17 points. He leads the league in rebounding and ranks second in scoring and is the only player in the LSC averaging a double-double.

David Chavlovich, West Texas A&M University, opened up LSC play in his first season with six steals and eight rebounds between two games against Midwestern State and Cameron. He also averaged 12.0 points per game in those contests, shooting .357 from beyond the arc while adding seven assists.

# **WOMEN'S OTHER TOP PERFORMERS**

Jazzmine Robinson, Cameron University, continued to shoot a hot hand after averaging 21 points and going 53.8 percent from the field against Eastern New Mexico and #3 West Texas A&M. Against ENMU, she had her fourth double-double and third in a row with 19 points and 10 rebounds; Robinson also dished out four assists and took away five steals off the Zias. On Saturday against WT, she went 8-12 from the field and was a perfect 5-5 at the line for a 23 point performance, the second most points allowed by WT this season. In 11 games, Robinson leads the LSC with 18.5 points per game and she is third in rebounding with 8.6 boards a contest.

Sasha Watson, West Texas A&M University, scored a career-high 23 points on 6 of 13 from the field and a career-best 11 of 14 from the line at Midwestern State and followed with 6 of 10 from the field with a career-high eight assists and three steals against Cameron. For the week, Watson led the team averaging 19.0 points per game and went 12 of 23 from the field (.522) and 13 of 20 from the line. She had 10 assists (5.0 pg) and seven steals (3.5 pg) in 67 minutes of action (33.5 pg). It was her eighth and ninth games in double figures this season in 12 games with nine starts.

Amanda Weaver, Angelo State University, led the Belles in scoring in their first week of LSC play with 16.7 points per game. The junior scored a career high 25 points against Texas A&M-Commerce and made six 3-pointers on the night. She hit 52.6-percent from behind the arc during the week and continues to lead the LSC in 3-point percentage on the season at 48.5-percent. The Center Point native also made 45.2-percent (14-for-31) from the field and .923 (12-for-13) from the charity stripe during the week.

Sarah Stinnett, Eastern New Mexico University, paced the Zias in scoring, assists and field goals, last week. She reached double figures in both games, with 10 points at Cameron and a career-high 20 points against Midwestern State. Stinnett added four assists against the Aggies and pulled down seven rebounds against the Mustangs.

J-5	David Chavlovich, West Texas A&M
J-12	Darrell Williams, Texas A&M-Commerce (2)

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:	N-18	Chris Jones, Angelo State
•	N-24	Desmond Henry, Cameron
,	D-1	Darrell Williams, Texas A&M-Commerce
,	D-8	Darrell Williams, Texas A&M-Commerce (2)
ı	D-16	Carl White, West Texas A&M
;	D-22	Davene Carter, Tarleton State
	J-5	Chris Jones, Angelo State (2)
:	J-12	Chris Jones, Angelo State (3)
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,	Date	Women's Offensive

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N-18	La'Tisha Hearne, Texas A&M-Commerce
N-24	Tori Tucker, Eastern New Mexico
D-1	Kathy Thomas, Tarleton State
D-8	Sasha Watson, West Texas A&M
D-16	Chontiquah White, West Texas A&M
D-22	Chontiquah White, West Texas A&M (2)
J-5	Jazzmine Robinson, Cameron
J-12	Andrea Carter, Midwestern State

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N-18	Andrea Carter, Midwestern State
N-24	Andrea Carter, Midwestern State (2)
D-1	Sasha Watson, West Texas A&M
D-8	La'Tisha Hearne, Texas A&M-Commerce
D-16	Kenesha Saygo, Texas Woman's
D-22	Madison McLain, West Texas A&M
J-5	Shambreka Jones, Midwestern State
J-12	Erin Maxwell, Texas Woman's



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Raven McGrath, Tarleton State University, put on a dominant display of basketball as the starting point guard for Tarleton State last week as the junior from Grandview led the TexAnns to back-to-back wins over Angelo State and Texas A&M-Kingsville. McGrath's career week began right away as the junior had a first half for the ages at the Junell Center. She scored 16 points on 6-10 shooting from the floor and hit both of her free throw attempts to go along with two assists and two steals in the first half alone to pace Tarleton's win Wednesday in San Angelo. She finished the game with a career-high 19 points, four assists and three steals to give first-year head coach Misty Wilson her first career Lone Star Conference win. McGrath followed her record-setting performance with a near double-double effort to lead the TexAnns over the Javelinas Saturday night. McGrath scored 10 points on 3-5 shooting from the field, including a halfcourt triple to beat the halftime buzzer for her only 3-pointer of the game. She grabbed eight rebounds, dished out three assists and had two steals against Kingsville. For the week, McGrath scored 29 points for an average of 14.5 on 9-18 shooting from the floor to go along with 10 rebounds, seven assists, five steals and two conference wins.

Ashlee Johnson, Texas A&M University - Commerce, headlined the offensive during a threegame winning streak this week. The senior guard was a multifaceted piece of the Lion attack for the entirety of the week. Not only did she put up doubledigit scoring performances in all three games (16, 13, 11), but she also acted as a conduit for others by averaging 5.3 assists per game. Johnson managed to execute her scoring very efficiently from all areas of the court, shooting 66.7 percent (14 of 21) from the field, 50 percent from deep (3 of 6) and 81.8 percent (9 of 11) from the free throw line. Her offensive game was so sound, her strong averages of 3.7 rebounds and 2.0 steals per game on the defensive end were nearly an afterthought.

Emily Spector, Texas Woman's University, helped the Pioneers to a 2-0 record last week with a team best 12.5 points per game and 9.0 rebounds per game. She posted 16 points, 8 rebounds and three assists in the road win at Texas A&M-Kingsville and then added 9 points, 10 rebounds, 2 blocks and 2 steams in a home win against Angelo State. Spector finished the week with 43.5 percent shooting. On the season she leads the team with 11.9 ppg and 6.3 rpg.

Princess Davis, Texas A&M University - Commerce, was a crucial defensive component for A&M-Commerce as the Lions tore off a three-game winning streak over the course of the week. The Lions defense as a whole was responsible for causing a whopping 70 turnovers over the course of three games (23.3 per game), and Davis personally contributed eight steals toward that effort, an average of 2.7 per game. Adding ten defensive boards (13 total), five assists per game (15 total) and chipping in an average of ten points per game, the Lions relied on her in several phases. As a team, the Lions limited opponents to a mere 35.7 percent from the field, a cause in which Davis was no small part.

Shatoia Gober, Midwestern State University, played a key role in helping Midwestern State claim a 77-64 win over No. 3-ranked West Texas A&M Wednesday night at D.L. Ligon Coliseum. It was the Mustangs' first win over a Top 10 team since joining NCAA Division II prior to the 1997 season. MSU held the league's top scoring squad to 13 points under their scoring average as the Mustangs turned up the defense in the second half to limit the Lady Buffs to 33.3 percent shooting from the field. Midwestern followed the strong defensive effort by holding Eastern New Mexico to 46 points and 29.4 percent

from the field in a 26-point win Sunday at Greyhound Arena. Gober averaged 11.5 points and 8.5 rebounds while hustling for five steals.

Lauren Jay, Texas A&M University - Kingsville, came up big on the defensive end of the court for Texas A&M-Kingsville this past week. She recorded two blocks in all three games and had at least two steals on every contest, including a career-high tying four steals at Tarleton State. Her 12.0 ppg average was the highest by a Javelina while also grabbing 4.7 rpg. Jay also shot a team-high 58.3 percent from the field including going 2-for-3 on three-pointers.

Chontiquah White, West Texas A&M University, tallied her fifth double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds at Midwestern State and followed with 12 points on 4 of 5 from the field and 4 of 6 from the line against Cameron. White averaged 11.5 points and 6.0 rebounds for the week while going 8 of 17 from the field and 7 of 11 from the line. She had two assists and one steal.

Ikpeaku Iwobi, Tarleton State University, averaged a double-double last week for Tarleton State as the sophomore forward lifted the TexAnns to a pair of conference wins over Angelo State and Texas A&M-Kingsville. Iwobi had a sensational defensive effort against the Rambelles at the Junell Center, grabbing a game-high 13 rebounds which was more than all six members of the Angelo State bench who played in the contest. In addition to the boards, Iwobi grabbed three steals and blocked a shot as an anchor of the TexAnn defense that forced 23 Rambelle turnovers. The sophomore followed up that performance with her fifth career double-double against Texas A&M-Kingsville with 15 points and 11 boards to go along with two more steals. For the week, Iwobi scored 24 points and grabbed 24 rebounds to go along with five steals as the TexAnn defense held opponents to 64 points per game in a pair of LSC wins.

# MEN'S NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

# **Angelo State**

The No. 19/15-ranked Rams opened conference play with a 78-60 win over No. 3/5 Tarleton State last Wednesday at the Junell Center in their only game of the week. ASU limited the Texans to 34.5 percent shooting in the game and to only 60 points - both of which were season-lows for TSU. ASU on the other hand, shot 44.6 percent from the field and finished the game with a plus-three rebounding and plusseven turnover margin advantage. Demario Mavfield led the Rams with 22 points, while Marsell Holden added to his conference-leading 3-point total with three to take his season's total to 42 through 14 games. Holden had 16 points in the game, while Chris Jones went for 12 points, six assists, four steals and seven rebounds and Raijon Kelly scored 10 points and added five assists. The Rams will return to action this week with a road game at West Texas A&M on Wednesday before hosting Eastern New Mexico on Saturday back at the Junell Center.

#### Cameron

The Cameron men's basketball team split last week with a 98-71 at home against Eastern New Mexico and seeing a five game winning streak come to an end at West Texas A&M, 83-82. Matthew Don had his first career double-double with 15 points and 10 boards. Through 14 contests, the Aggies are shooting 53.2 percent as a team and 42.5 percent at the arc. Cameron Lee is leading the league in three-point percentage at 52.2 and Deondre Ray is third in overall shooting with a 57.3 percentage. Cameron

will be on the road to face Texas A&M-Commerce on Wednesday.

#### **Eastern New Mexico**

The Eastern New Mexico University men's basketball team received strong performances from John Gilliam in the first two Lone Star Conference games of the season. In setbacks at Cameron and to Midwestern State, the junior guard averaged 23 points and shot over 40 percent from the floor. The Greyhounds will host Texas A&M-Kingsville on Wednesday, before traveling to Angelo State Saturday.

#### Midwestern State

Midwestern State extended its winning streak to 10 games with a resounding 77-42 win over Eastern New Mexico Sunday at Grevhound Arena... Its the 20th winning streak of at least 10 games in school history and the seventh in the last seven seasons... The winning streak is the longest since the Mustangs won 11 consecutive games form Jan. 27 to March 7, 2014... The Mustangs have won at least 10 consecutive games three times in the Nelson Haggerty era... During their current 10-game winning streak, MSU is outscoring the opposition by 21.8 points per game while controlling a +18.5 rebounding margin. The Mustangs are holding the opposition to a .356 shooting percentage including a .272 mark from 3-point range... MSU ranks second in NCAA Division II in total rebounds (689.0) and total blocks (90.0) while ranking in primary defensive categories. The Mustangs are third in field goal percentage defense (.378), fourth in rebound margin (+11.3) and fifth in 3-point percentage defense (.272)... Senior forward Xavier Blackburn has come on strong over the past four games to average 14.8 points per game shooting 57.5 percent from the field while pulling down eight rebounds a game... Junior forward Khapri Alston notched his first double-double of the season with 18 points and 11 rebounds Wednesday against West Texas A&M before going for 13 points and eight rebounds against Eastern New Mexico... Of Alston's 19 rebounds, 11 came on the offensive end of the floor... Senior forward Abiodun Adegoke scored in double figures in back-to-back games for the first time this season going for 13 points and six rebounds against West Texas A&M then notched his first double-double with 13 points and 12 rebounds at Eastern New Mexico... Junior guard Bretson McNeal scored each of his 21 points against West Texas A&M and Eastern New Mexico in the second half... McNeal has knocked down two-or-more 3-pointers in each of the 13 games in which he has played more than a minute this season... McNeal rates second in the Lone Star Conference in 3-point field goal percentage at 45.5 percent knocking 40 of his 88 attempts from beyond the arc... Junior guard Thad Rideau scored in double figures for the fifth time this season with 11 points Sunday against Eastern New Mexico... Senior guard Kevin Wagner made his third start of the season Sunday against Eastern New Mexico. He did not score but snagged a season-high six rebounds while dishing out five assists in 21 minutes...

# Tarleton State

Tarleton split its first two games of conference play, earning the first LSC win of the season Saturday night with a 59-44 win over Texas A&M-Kingsville. Last Wednesday's game at Angelo State was the 800th game of Lonn Reisman's tenure at Tarleton State. The Texans will return to action Wednesday when they host rival Midwestern State at 7:30 p.m. in Wisdom Gym.

#### Texas A&M-Commerce

2-0 last week.

# **Texas A&M-Kingsville**

The Javelinas fell to two teams that received votes in the NABC Top 25 Poll as Texas A&M-Kingsville was overcome by a strong second half by A&M-Commerce on Thursday... two days later, No. 3/5 Tarleton State went on a 17-1 run to cap the game off with a victory... Troy Jones scored 18 points versus the Lions and 13 against the Texans to extend his double digit scoring streak to nine games... the Javelinas head to Eastern New Mexico for a midweek battle before hosting West Texas A&M on Saturday.

#### West Texas A&M

The West Texas A&M men's basketball team opened up LSC play last week with a road loss to Midwestern State, 73-58, ending a six-game winning streak. The Buffs rebounded; however, with a thrilling 83-82 home win over Cameron on Saturday evening. Senior Antjuan Ball put the Buffs up with the game-winning basket with only 1.8 seconds on the clock, giving WT its fifth-straight win in Canyon and a 10-5 (1-1, LSC) mark. WT will return to action on Wednesday as it hosts No. 19 Angelo State at the First United Bank Center. Tipoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

# WOMEN'S NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

# **Angelo State**

The Belles are now 5-7 and 0-3 to start LSC play ... Amanda Weaver led the team with a 16.7 scoring average and is the LSC leader in 3-point percentage made at 45.6-percent ... ASU hit a season high 12 3-pointers against Texas A&M-Commerce ... The Belles lead the lead in 3-point percentage defense (27.4) ... ASU will travel to Canyon to face West Texas A&M on Wednesday before hosting Eastern New Mexico at the Junell Center on Saturday.

#### Cameron

The Cameron University women went 1-1 last week after getting a win at home against Eastern New Mexico and falling on the road at West Texas A&M. In the two games, CU averaged 72.5 points and 34 rebounds, while shooting 43.2 percent from the field. Jazzmine Robinson continued to be the offensive spark for the Aggies after averaging 21 points and six rebounds; she leads the LSC with 18.5 points and is rebounds; she leads the LSC with 18.5 points and is rebound; she leads the LSC with 18.5 points and six rebounds; and 10 points and six rebounds and 10 points. Cameron will remain on the road to face Texas A&M-Commerce and Texas Woman's this Wednesday and Thursday.

#### **Eastern New Mexico**

The Eastern New Mexico women's basketball team got off to strong starts last week, staying close at Cameron in the first half and charging to a 9-2 advantage against Lone Star Conference leading Midwestern State. Sarah Stinnett was the Zias' top performer over the two games, with a 15 points-per game average along with 5.5 rebounds per game and a team-best five assists. ENMU will host Texas A&M-Kingsville on Wednesday, before visiting Angelo State on Saturday.

#### **Midwestern State**

Midwestern State extended its winning streak to 12 games which ranks as the second longest streak in program history. MSU won 15 consecutive games from Jan. 5-Feb. 14, 1994... The Mustangs are off to

the best start in program history at 13-1 bettering the 12-2 mark set at the beginning of the 1989-90 season... Midwestern State also took down its highest ranked opponent in the USA Today Sports/Women's Basketball Coaches' Association Top 25 with a 77-64 victory over No. 3 West Texas A&M Wednesday night in D.L. Ligon Coliseum. The previously highest ranked victim was No. 11-ranked Washburn (Kan.) by a 68-53 margin on Nov. 19, 2011 -- also at Ligon Coliseum... The Mustangs are 7-52 against ranked opposition since the start of the 1996-97 season. MSU was 0-20 against Top 10 opponents prior to Wednesday night and is now 2-33 against teams ranked in the Top 25 since the start of the 2004-05 season... MSU tops the LSC in scoring defense (58.7 points per game), scoring margin (+12.4), rebounding margin (+6.8) and blocked shots per game (4.36)... The Mustangs also lead the LSC in team free throw percentage at .767... Senior forward Andrea Carter has scored in double figures in each of her last three games averaging 15 points on 16-of-26 shooting (.615)... Carter ranks seventh in the LSC in scoring (12.6 ppg) and tops the league in rebounding (10.0 rpg)... Senior guard Shatoia Gober averaged 11.5 points and 8.5 rebounds in wins over West Texas A&M and Eastern New Mexico while shooting 10-of-15 from the field (75 percent)... Senior forward Shambreka Jones has scored in double figures in each of her last six games. She is averaging 11.0 points, 5.5 rebounds and 2.1 blocks per game while shooting 54.5 percent from the field and 72 percent from the free throw line... Senior guard Dianna Jones extended her doublefigure scoring streak to 13 consecutive games by scoring 10 points in each game last week against West Texas A&M and Eastern New Mexico... Senior guard Lisa Hampton knocked down four 3-pointers in wins over West Texas A&M and Eastern New Mexico last week and now has 120 career made 3-pointers. She trails only Andrea Buben (132 3s from 2006-10) and Kristin Ramsey (125 3s from 2000-04) on MSU's all-time 3-pointers list... Freshman forward Whitney Taylor scored her first collegiate points hitting a layup and consecutive 3-pointers to finish with eight points Sunday at Eastern New Mexico...

# **Tarleton State**

Led by a career night from Raven McGrath, Tarleton State head coach Misty Wilson earned her first career Lone Star Conference win as a head coach last Wednesday against Angelo State. She followed up LSC win No. 1 by immediately collecting win No. 2 with a 67-57 win over Texas A&M-Kingsville Saturday night in the first game at Wisdom Gym since December 2. The 38 days between home games is the longest streak for the TexAnns since 2000. Tarleton returns to action Wednesday night against Midwestern State at 5:30 p.m. in Wisdom Gym.

# Texas A&M-Commerce

3-0 last week.

# Texas A&M-Kingsville

Texas A&M-Kingsville dropped all three games this week against Lone Star Conference opponents. The Javelinas lost to Texas A&M-Commerce and Texas Woman's at home and on the road at Tarleton State. Lauren Jay led the team with 12.0 ppg, 58.3 field goal percentage, 2.3 spg and 2.0 bpg. She had two blocks in all three contests and at least two steals as well with a career-high tying four swipes versus the TexAnns. Micah Weaver average 11.7 ppg, 3.0 rpg, 1.7 spg and 1.0 bpg on 15-of-32 shooting. Ashley Viera dished out a team-high 4.0 apg with a season-high six assists against the Pioneers. Grabbing a team-

high 5.7 rpg was Ope Ibrahim. This week TAMUK plays at Eastern New Mexico on Wednesday before hosting nationally-ranked West Texas A&M on Saturday.

#### Texas Woman's

The TWU basketball team improved to 10-5 on the season and 3-1 in the Lone Star Conference with two wins last week. The Pioneers captured a 57-43 road win at Texas A&M-Kingsville on Wednesday and then knocked off Angelo State 68-59 at home on Saturday. Sophomore Emily Spector led the team with 12.5 points per game and 9.0 rebounds per game. Sophomore Erin Maxwell was the leader on defense with 8.5 rebounds and 4.5 blocks. Against Angelo State five players scored nine or more points led by senior Ashley Salazar and sophomore Kenesha Saygo with 11 points each. Junior Danielle Westerfield, Maxwell and Spector all added nine points apiece. Maxwell and Spector both led the game with 10 rebounds each while Salazar and Saygo both cleared six rebounds each. Maxwell also blocked five shots and Salazar recorded six steals. Maxwell is currently ranked second in LSC in rebounds (10.0) and tied for first in blocks (3.3) against the conference foes. On the season Spector is the team leader in scoring (11.9 ppg) and rebounding (6.3) while Maxwell has 20 blocks.

# West Texas A&M

The West Texas A&M women's basketball team had its nine-game winning streak snapped in the LSC opener at Midwestern State on Wednesday... The Lady Buffs dropped just their second LSC game under second year head coach Mark Kellogg as he fell to 15-2 at that point in league play with the 77-64 setback...WT responded with an 87-69 victory on Saturday versus Cameron to even its LSC record at 1-1...WT sophomore Sasha Watson had a careerhigh 23 points against Midwestern State in a game that WT dominated the rebounding (38-29), but poor second half shooting (9-27) and turnovers leading to points for MSU (12-20) points off turnovers proved to be the difference...Against Cameron, the Lady Buffs used multiple double-digit runs and put up 54 points in the first half shooting a season-best 70.0 percent from the field against the Aggies and a season-best 61.8 percent for the game...Watson had a careerhigh eight assists in the game, while a season-high five players scored in double figures including four starters...WT held CU's Jazzmine Robinson in check in the first half to just four points, but she scored 19 in the second half to lead the Aggies with 23...WT forced 20 turnovers leading to a 31-15 lead in points off turnovers and had 13 steals.