Season Preview

Hello Everyone! We are so excited about this year’s roster, and we have high hopes for the season. With eight promising new comers to add to our seven returners, the 2010 Greenville College Softball team will shine our light on and off the field. We believe our tenacious players will be a competitive force this year. Our team camaraderie has already proven a positive addition to our young team, and our 15 member roster is continuing to get to know one another, improving team dynamic.

Being inside all winter, we have the opportunity to do a great deal of hitting. We are very fortunate to have an indoor facility to work on all aspects of the game, especially offense. We are hoping to show off our speed on the bases with aggressive plays and trust in one another. Along with our speed, we are very versatile. Many of our players can play multiple positions to help the team be its best.

Going into the fall with only one pitcher, we have added two at the beginning of spring semester. Greenville Softball will have a very talented pitching staff to set a strong and powerful atmosphere for our defense. Sophomore Lindsey Schubert will be our returning pitcher and will be complemented by Erin Williams and Angela Sheets behind her to offset hitters.

Our outfielders have worked extremely hard and we have confidence in them to complete even the most difficult of plays. Out of our 15 players, we are more than comfortable to have six players play any given outfield position. The depth of our outfield will help our team be one of the best in the conference.

Along with our strong outfield, infielders have worked relentlessly on their forehands, backhands, and movement to get to the toughest of grounders. The repetition and skill building we did in the fall and early this year have proven to strengthen our infielder’s capabilities. We trust three of our freshmen will be able to start when needed in the infield and be a strong addition to our defense.

We have high hopes for our team to do well in conference, make the conference tournament, and even win the conference tournament. We understand the significance of this goal, but it is achievable. Attaining this aspiration will demand a considerable amount of time and effort. With our hard work and determination we are more than capable to compete with the top teams in our conference and stride ahead as front runners.

Coach’s Comments

Hello Alumini, Recruits and Friends.

We are off and running even in one of the coldest February’s for a long time. After going 2-2 in our first four games we are excited about continuing our improvement, getting our pitchers in game form, and making a strong run at winning the conference this year. We have returned many starters and have some wonderful new personalities and talent on the team as well. Though this is a year to save a few dollars and not travel as far, we are anticipating a fun spring trip, playing some GREAT softball, and making those long-lasting memories which always come with Spring Break trips.

In Him, Coach Reinhard

March 2010

Follow senior, Jamie Hebron as she blogs about the season.

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March Schedule

5 Missouri Baptist (3:00 PM)
8 Stephens College (2:00 PM)
13 Rose Hulman (12:00 PM)
15 Franklin (3:00 PM)
16 Spalding (5:00 PM)
17 Hanover (4:00 PM)
23 Illinois College (4:00 PM)
25 Fontbonne (2:30 PM)
26 Westminster (4:30 PM)
27 Principia (1:00 PM)
27 Webster (2:00 PM)
29 Hannibal-Lagrange (2:00 PM)

April

1 Spalding (3:00 PM)
7 Fontbonne (4:00 PM)
10 Westminster (1:00 PM)
11 Eureka (4:00 PM)
17 Blackburn (4:40 PM)
20 Monmouth [Decatur] (2:00 PM)
20 Millikin (6:00 PM)
22 MacMurray (3:00 PM)
25/26 NCCAA Regional
24 Principia (1:00 PM)
29 Wash U (4:00 PM)

May

1 Webster (1:00 PM)
6-8 SLIAC Tournament
13-15 NCAA Regional

* Home games are in bold*
New Year and New Faces

Amanda joins GC softball from Prairie Du Rocher, IL, and brings 13 years of softball experience with her. While majoring in Sports Management, Amanda says she is most looking forward to, “just playing the game I love and making some great memories with my new teammates!”

Amanda’s favorite class so far has been Intro to Sociology and she chose Greenville because she loved the campus and the atmosphere. After spending only a matter of weeks with the team Amanda said she enjoys “the way the girls connect with each other, I’ve never had a team where we all get along.”

Angie comes to Greenville from Florissant, MO. She is a hard working athlete who not only pushes her teammates but also herself. She is majoring in Nursing and Psychology. In the classes that she has taken so far this year she said, “I love General Psychology with Professor Beans because that kind of stuff interests me a lot, but I also like Biology Lab II this semester because we are dissecting a bunch of different animals, so that is also appealing to me.” Angie chose to attend GC because, “it reminded me a lot of my high school. I liked it because it was small and I wanted to go somewhere I know that I could focus on my schoolwork so I got the most out of my four years of college.”

Angie has been playing competitive softball since she was 8. Although she’s had the opportunity to be a part of a variety of teams Angie most enjoys this team because, “the bond and unity we not only have as a team but with individual relationships too. We also not only have a connection with each other on the field, our times together off the field are unforgettable.”

Lesley joins the GC Panthers as a transfer junior from Evansville, IL. This secondary math education and Bible major has been playing softball for the last 10 years. Lesley has been very welcomed addition to the softball program as she actively seeks to pursue excellence in all areas. Lesley enjoys, “the small town and Christian community,” here at GC. In her short time here Lesley has most enjoyed her education field experience class.

Lesley has had the opportunity to be a part of many different teams throughout her softball playing time. What she most enjoys about this year’s team is, “the personalities and chemistry amongst the girls.” As season rapidly approaches Lesley is looking forward to “becoming a family with a great group of girls, while playing a sport we love.”

Dari is from Sherman, IL and joins a group of six freshman. This girl has already been hard at work learning as much as she possibly can about the game. Dari is a social work and history/political science major. One of her favorite classes so far this year has been her honors COR 101 class about movies. Dari most enjoys Greenville because of, “the fact that my professors and advisors are so devoted to my education and making sure that I am on the right track for my career options.”

Dari has been playing softball for as long as she can remember. She has enjoyed watching the team work hard this year and is looking forward to games getting underway. We are excited to have Dari join us this year for what is hoped to be a fantastic season.
Ashley hails from Milford, IN. During her time here at Greenville, Ashley will be majoring in Elementary Education. In her short time here Ashley has enjoyed her student teaching experience and claims, “it was pretty sweet.” Ashley enjoys the team because of “the fact that they all can joke and have fun but still get the job done on the field and at the plate.” Ashley is looking forward to playing games because, “we all work so hard in the off season training for the actual season. Games are like our awards! They are the time to show people and ourselves how much we can do in a short time.” One thing that is clear to see is that Ashley truly enjoys the game of softball. We couldn’t be more excited to see how much Ashley will grow in her time here at GC.

Angela joins the Lady Panthers from Peoria, IL. This transfer has been playing softball since she was 7. Although she has spent many hours preparing for season, the other half of her time is spent with her class work as she is studying Psychology. Her favorite class so far is Learning and Cognition. Angela chose to attend Greenville because of the warm and welcoming people, and to play softball. She has most enjoyed meeting new people as well as getting to know her professors.

During Angela’s short time with the team she has come to enjoy the fact that everyone gets along, as well as the fact that we have a lot of talent. When asked what she’s most looking forward to about this season she said, “getting to know everyone individually and doing the best we can when we are on the field.” Be on the lookout for Angela in the circle this year!

Erin joins us from Desoto, Illinois. She has been playing softball since the age of 7. Erin has been working hard with all of her teammates to prepare for season. She says she most enjoys the team’s, “great chemistry. We have fun together! We are going to use this chemistry to learn each others strengths and weaknesses.” She’s more excited about season because of, “the successes that I believe we are going to have, making lasting memories, enjoying each other and the love of the game.” Erin chose to come to Greenville because she liked the location and heard good things about the college and the softball team. Although she’s only a freshman she most enjoys, “the girls on my floor! We have become family.” Erin is a welcomed addition to this team this year and we’re all looking forward to the impact she can have this season for the Lady Panthers!

Rachel comes to Greenville from Indianapolis, IN. This Physical Education major has been playing softball since she was 7 years old. After spending some time at another college Rachel chose to come to Greenville because, “she wanted to get away from home, play softball, and be in a smaller setting where I’m not just a number or another face in the crowd.” Since coming to Greenville Rachel has enjoyed the friendships she’s developed.

Rachel will be a great offensive spark plug this season. When asked what she most enjoys about this years team she said, “you never know what could happen, it’s always an adventure with these girls.” Rachel is looking forward to, “seeing how well we can do and how far we can get this season.”
I play softball because it has become a part of me... It's a way to escape from the world outside the fence. It's my time.
Brya Irvin “12”

One of the greatest things I have learned is how to be a true supportive teammate.
Cristi Meredith “10”

I have learned it takes more than just conditioning and practice to win a game. It takes an attitude of encouragement and positivity.
Erika Cross “11”

The greatest thing I have learned from being apart of this program is to give all the glory to God.
Lindsey Schuberth “12”

What has impacted you most while playing at GC?
The attitude of the program, the importance of maintaining a positive attitude, serving others, and building lasting relationships.

I love how Christ-Centered we are.
Rachel Brewer “12”

ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER AND BUILD EACH OTHER UP

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