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2007 Yellowjacket Softball

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This Week's Schedule:

Feb. 11-13 - at Phoenix Tourney

Feb. 15-17 - at Division II Leadoff Classic, Phoenix, AZ

This Week's Opponents:

Western New Mexico University

The Mustangs were longtime conference foes of the Yellowjackets, first in the PacWest then in the Heartland. They are now in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference where they are picked to finish sixth. Meredith Drahota is a preseason all-conference choice in the RMAC. The Mustangs open the season against Grand Canyon the day before they face MSU-Billings.

WNMU All-time Record vs. MSUB:

Overall: 16-4 Home: 8-0 Away: 0-4 Neutral: 8-0

Grand Canyon University

The 'Lopes are new members of the PacWest Conference. They started the season with four-straight losses at the "Best of the West" Tournament last week.

GCU All-time Record vs. MSUB:

Overall: 3-2 Home: 1-1 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 2-1

Dixie State College of Utah

The Rebels are new members to NCAA Division II and the PacWest Conference. They started the season 4-2 with wins against Cal Baptist and Fort Lewis. Three players are batting .500 or better led by Carli Jones at .529. Haley Schumers has already thrown a no-hitter.

DSC All-time Record vs. MSUB:

Overall: 0-0 Home: 0-0 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 0-0

Minnesota State University, Mankato

The Mavericks of the North Central Conference were 30-27 last year. They open the season against MSU-Billings at the DII Leadoff Classic.

MSUM All-time Record vs. MSUB:

Overall: 0-0 Home: 0-0 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 0-0

Angelo State University

The Rambellas of the Lone Star Conference have started the season a perfect 8-0. Four regular players are batting at least .500, led by Kaycee Taylor's .550 average. Macy Baker already has three home runs. ASU has used three different pitchers almost equally in their eight wins.

ASU All-time Record vs. MSUB:

Overall: 0-0 Home: 0-0 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 0-0

California State University, Bakersfield

The Roadrunners of the California Collegiate Athletic Association were 52-12 last season. They are reclassifying from NCAA Division II to Division I. CSUB opens the season this weekend with a pair of doubleheaders against Cal State-Chico before appearing at the Leadoff Classic.

CSUB All-time Record vs. MSUB:

Overall: 0-0 Home: 0-0 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 0-0

2007 Schedule & Results

0-0 overall, 0-0 Heartland

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Time/Result</u>
Feb. 11	vs. Western New Mexico	12:00 p.m.
Feb. 11	vs. Western New Mexico	2:00 p.m.
Feb. 12	at Grand Canyon	12:00 p.m.
Feb. 12	at Grand Canyon	2:00 p.m.
Feb. 13	vs. Dixie State	12:00 p.m.
Feb. 13	vs. Dixie State	2:00 p.m.
Feb. 15	vs. Minn. St.-Mankato	5:00 p.m.
Feb. 15	vs. Angelo State	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 16	vs. Cal State-Bakersfield	11:00 a.m.
Feb. 17	Leadoff Classic Bracket Play	
Mar. 1	vs. Northwest Nazarene	3:30 p.m.
Mar. 1	vs. Western Oregon	5:45 p.m.
Mar. 2	vs. Western Washington	1:30 p.m.
Mar. 2	vs. Cent. Washington	4:00 p.m.
Mar. 3	vs. St. Martin's	11:00 a.m.
Mar. 3	vs. Seattle	1:30 p.m.
Mar. 4	CWU Inv. Bracket Play	
Mar. 7	Univ. of Mary	10:00 a.m.
Mar. 7	Univ. of Mary	12:00 p.m.
Mar. 9	at Lincoln*	1:00 p.m.
Mar. 9	at Lincoln*	3:00 p.m.
Mar. 10	at Lincoln*	10:00 a.m.
Mar. 10	at Lincoln*	12:00 p.m.
Mar. 17	at Oklahoma Panhandle State*	12:00 p.m.
Mar. 17	at Oklahoma Panhandle State*	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 18	at Oklahoma Panhandle State*	11:00 a.m.
Mar. 18	at Oklahoma Panhandle State*	1:00 p.m.
Mar. 19	at West Texas A&M	11:00 a.m.
Mar. 19	at West Texas A&M	1:00 p.m.
Mar. 24	at St. Edward's*	12:00 p.m.
Mar. 24	at St. Edward's*	2:00 p.m.
Mar. 25	at St. Edward's*	11:00 a.m.
Mar. 25	at St. Edward's*	1:00 p.m.
Mar. 28	at Univ. of Great Falls	1:00 p.m.
Mar. 28	at Univ. of Great Falls	3:00 p.m.
Mar. 31	Texas-Permian Basin	12:00 p.m.
Mar. 31	Texas-Permian Basin	2:00 p.m.
Apr. 1	Texas-Permian Basin	11:00 a.m.
Apr. 1	Texas-Permian Basin	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 5	St. Mary's*	2:00 p.m.
Apr. 5	St. Mary's*	4:00 p.m.
Apr. 6	St. Mary's*	11:00 a.m.
Apr. 6	St. Mary's*	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 10	at Univ. of Mary	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 10	at Univ. of Mary	2:00 p.m.
Apr. 13	Incarnate Word*	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 13	Incarnate Word*	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 14	Incarnate Word*	1:00 p.m.
Apr. 14	Incarnate Word*	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 20	at Idaho State	2:00 p.m.
Apr. 20	at Idaho State	4:00 p.m.
Apr. 21	at Idaho State	12:00 p.m.
Apr. 21	at Idaho State	2:00 p.m.
Apr. 22	Univ. of Great Falls	3:00 p.m.
Apr. 22	Univ. of Great Falls	5:00 p.m.
Apr. 26	at Heartland Conference Tournament	
Apr. 27	at Heartland Conference Tournament	
Apr. 28	at Heartland Conference Tournament	

Home games listed in **bold**

Home games are played at Cenex Stadium

* Heartland Conference game

All times local to game site

Season Preview

First-year coach Kim Lemmens inherits a relatively young squad that is very similar to last year's team that went 20-31. The Yellowjackets will rely heavily upon a large class of sophomores, including three of their four pitchers. Terina Stacks, Lisa Moore, and Rebekah Tsatsa combined for all but two of the team's 320 innings pitched last season. Moore logged the most innings with 128, posting an 8-13 record. Stacks and Tsatsa came on in the second half of the season, combining for 10 of the team's last 14 wins. Stacks led the team with a 3.62 ERA and posted a 6-10 record. Tsatsa had the best winning percentage of the three pitchers, going 6-8. Freshman Lindsey Trenary is also expected to become a productive member of the pitching staff.

The Jackets return two players who batted over .300 last season. Junior Jenna Haacke hit .301 and blasted 10 home runs. Sophomore Stephanie Gosselin hit .370 in 31 games. Defensively, the Yellowjackets will rely on playing solid defense behind their young pitchers. Lemmens says that fall and spring practices have created good competition for starting spots in both the infield and outfield. The emphasis in her first season has been on fundamentals and situational awareness.

Catcher Aysha Maddox will be joined by Megan Moeller, Lorel Palmer, and Jenna McCartney as the seniors on the team. Along with juniors Frank, Haacke, and Schaapveld, the Yellowjackets will have seven upperclassmen to help the younger players learn the ropes.

MSUB opens the season with a week's worth of games in Phoenix, including an appearance at the Schutt Sports Division II Leadoff Classic. Following the Phoenix trip, the Yellowjackets will make their annual pilgrimage to Washington for the Central Washington Invitational on March 1-4. The tournament will give the Yellowjackets a sneak peek at their future conference foes in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference. The Yellowjackets are scheduled to open the home schedule the week after the Central Washington tournament, hosting University of Mary for a doubleheader on March 7.

After the double-dip with Mary, the Yellowjackets open Heartland Conference play in earnest starting with a 14-game trip to Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas. A dozen of those games will be conference games. The Yellowjackets come off the road to play 12 of their next 14 games at home. Eight of those are conference counters against two of the best teams in the Heartland. St. Mary's, a perennial NCAA Tournament participant, visits Cenex Stadium on April 5 and 6. Incarnate Word, the defending Heartland champion and preseason conference favorite, comes calling April 13 and 14.

MSUB will make one more trip to Texas for the Heartland Conference Tournament, April 26-28 in San Antonio. All six teams in the Heartland will attend the tournament. In a recent poll of league coaches and sports information directors, MSUB was picked to finish fourth in the six-team league.

Heartland Conference Standings (as of 2/4/07)

	<u>Conf.</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>All</u>	<u>Pct</u>
St. Mary's	0-0	.000	5-0	1.000
St. Edward's	0-0	.000	2-2	.500
Incarnate Word	0-0	.000	2-3	.400
Lincoln	0-0	.000	0-0	.000
MSU-Billings	0-0	.000	0-0	.000
Okla. Panhandle	0-0	.000	0-0	.000

Heartland Conference Preseason Coaches' Poll

1. Incarnate Word
2. St. Edward's
3. St. Mary's
4. Montana State-Billings
5. Oklahoma Panhandle State
6. Lincoln

This Week's Games in the Heartland

- Feb. 11 - MSUB vs. Western New Mexico (DH)
Washburn @ OPSU (DH)
- Feb. 12 - MSUB @ Grand Canyon (DH)
SEU @ Angelo State (DH)
- Feb. 13 - MSUB vs. Dixie State (DH)
UIW @ Angelo State (DH)
- Feb. 15 - MSUB vs. St. Martin's
MSUB vs. Angelo State
- Feb. 16 - MSUB vs. Cal State-Bakersfield
STMU vs. East Central
STMU vs. Northeastern State
STMU @ Midwestern State
- Feb. 17 - MSUB @ DII Lead-off Classic

MSUB HLC Team Statistical Rankings (as of 2/12/07)

Batting Average - n/a. **Runs** - n/a. **Hits** - n/a. **Doubles** - n/a.
Triples - n/a. **Homeruns** - n/a. **Stolen Bases** - n/a.

ERA - n/a. **Innings Pitched** - n/a. **Strikeouts** - n/a.

MSUB HLC Individual Statistical Rankings (as of 2/12/07)

Batting Average - n/a. **At Bats** - n/a. **Runs** - n/a. **Hits** - n/a.
RBI - n/a. **Doubles** - n/a. **Triples** - n/a. **Homeruns** - n/a. **Total Bases** - n/a. **Stolen Bases** - n/a.

ERA - n/a. **Innings Pitched** - n/a. **Strikeouts** - n/a.

Yellowjacket Softball Staff



Kim Lemmens was hired as the third head softball coach in school history on May 30, 2006. Most recently Lemmens was the first assistant coach at Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kansas. Before her one season at Fort Hays State, Lemmens was the pitching coach at Colorado State University for four years. At CSU, Lemmens helped two pitchers earn All-Mountain West honors. The Rams won two Mountain West titles during Lemmens's four years with the program. Lemmens is originally from Denmark, Wisconsin. She was a pitcher for four years at University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, an NCAA Division III school. She helped Wisconsin-Whitewater to two conference championships and three NCAA Tournament appearances.



Cori Thiermann is in her first season as an assistant coach at MSU-Billings. She is a 2006 graduate of University of Wisconsin-Green Bay where she was a varsity letter winner from 2002 to 2005. Last year she was a student assistant coach at UW-Green Bay. As a senior Thiermann batted .224 in 31 games to help the Phoenix win the Horizon League title and advance to the NCAA Division I Tournament for the first time in school history. UW-Green Bay upset sixth-ranked Oregon State in the first round of that tournament for its first-ever win over a ranked opponent.

MSUB Career Stats Leaders

Batting Average (min. 100 Abs)	
Rachel Quarnburg	.436
Runs Scored	
Joey Ehnes	104
Hits	
Christy Wankel	158
Doubles	
Cami Rainey	38
Triples	
Christy Wankel/Sara Hanley	5
Home Runs	
Theresa Campbell	23
Total Bases	
Christy Wankel	252
Runs Batted In	
Christy Wankel	93
Stolen Bases	
Christy Wankel	13
Pitching Strikeouts	
Joey Ehnes	671
Pitching Victories	
Joey Ehnes	62
Earned Run Average	
Joey Ehnes	1.80
Games Played	
Christy Wankel	185

2007 Season Stats Leaders

Batting Average	
n/a	
Runs	
n/a	
Hits	
n/a	
Doubles	
n/a	
Triples	
n/a	
Home Runs	
n/a	
Runs Batted In	
n/a	
Stolen Bases	
n/a	
Pitching Strikeouts	
n/a	
Earned Run Average	
n/a	
Pitching Victories	
n/a	

The Last Time in Yellowjacket Softball.....

A player had 3 hits...	Apr. 14, 2006 (Rachel Quarnburg vs. St. Edward's)
A player had 4 hits...	Apr. 7, 2006 (Rachel Quarnburg vs. OK Panhandle)
A player scored 3 runs...	Apr. 7, 2006 (3 players vs. OK Panhandle)
A player hit 2 doubles...	Mar. 11, 2006 (Henderson & Wankel vs. Dickinson St)
A player hit 3 doubles...	Mar. 7, 2004 (Joey Ehnes vs. St. Martin's)
A player hit 2 home runs...	Apr. 7, 2006 (Rachel Quarnburg vs. OK Panhandle)
A player drove in 4 RBI...	Apr. 14, 2006 (Rachel Quarnburg vs. St. Edward's)
A player drove in 5 RBI...	Apr. 6, 2005 (Rachel Quarnburg vs. Chaminade)
A player drove in more than 5 RBI...	Apr. 7, 2006 (Rachel Quarnburg, 7 vs. OK Panhandle)
A player had 10 or more total bases...	Apr. 7, 2006 (Rachel Quarnburg, 11 vs. OK Panhandle)
A player drew 3 walks...	Apr. 2, 2005 (Theresa Campbell vs. Hawaii Pacific)
A player drew 4 walks...	Apr. 10, 2004 (Theresa Campbell vs. Hawaii Pacific)
A player had 2 stolen bases...	Mar. 9, 2005 (Cami Rainey vs. St. Martin's)
A player had 3 stolen bases...	Apr. 11, 2002 (Stephanie Cochrun vs. Dickinson St)
A pitcher pitched 9 or more innings...	Mar. 4, 2005 (Joey Ehnes vs. Western Washington)
A pitcher struck out 10 or more...	Feb. 16, 2006 (Lisa Moore, 14 vs. SIU-Edwardsville)
A pitcher struck out 15 or more...	Apr. 6, 2005 (Joey Ehnes, 15 vs. Chaminade)
The team scored 10 or more runs...	Apr. 7, 2006 (14 vs. OK Panhandle St)
The team scored 15 or more runs...	Apr. 13, 2005 (15 vs. Albertson College)
The team had 10 or more hits...	Apr. 27, 2006 (11 vs. Incarnate Word)
The team had 15 or more hits...	Apr. 30, 2005 (16 vs. Western New Mexico)
The team drove in 10 or more RBI...	Apr. 7, 2006 (14 vs. OK Panhandle St)
The team drove in 15 or more RBI...	Apr. 13, 2005 (15 vs. Albertson College)
The team hit 4 doubles...	Mar. 11, 2006 (vs. Dickinson St.)
The team hit 5 doubles...	Mar. 10, 2004 (vs. Mesa St.)
The team hit 6 doubles...	Mar. 11, 2006 (vs. Dickinson St.)
The team hit 2 triples...	Apr. 2, 2004 (vs. Cal State-Chico)
The team hit 5 home runs...	Apr. 30, 2005 (vs. Western New Mexico)
The team hit 4 home runs...	Apr. 6, 2005 (vs. Chaminade)
The team hit 3 home runs...	Apr. 15, 2006 (vs. St. Edward's)
The team drew more than 5 walks...	Apr. 2, 2005 (7 vs. Hawaii Pacific)
The team stole 5 or more bases...	Apr. 11, 2002 (7 vs. Dickinson St.)
The team won by 10 or more runs...	Apr. 30, 2005 (13-1 vs. Western New Mexico)

2007 Yellowjacket Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
2	Crystal Bentley	Ut	So.	Kirkland, WA/Lake Wash. HS
3	Jessica Frank	SS/Ut	Jr.	Great Falls, MT/C.M. Russell HS
4	Megan Moeller	3B	Sr.	Ontario, OR/Mt. Hood CC
6	Lisa Moore	P	So.	Bakersfield, CA/Liberty HS
7	Stephanie Rinehart	OF	So.	Gig Harbor, WA/Gig Harbor HS
8	Jenna McCartney	1B/3B	Sr.	Hamilton, MT/Utah State
9	Leslie Davis	SS/Ut	So.	Federal Way, WA/Federal Way HS
10	Stephanie Gosselin	2B/OF	So.	Victoria, BC/Stelly's Secondary
11	Lindsey Trenary	P	Fr.	Helena, MT/Capital HS
12	Mandy Schaapveld	OF	Jr.	Puyallup, WA/Lower Columbia Coll.
14	Megan Samuels	C/OF	Fr.	Cody, WY/Cody HS
15	Lorel Palmer	OF	Sr.	Ogden, UT/Garden City CC
16	Rebekah Tsatsa	P	So.	Eagle, ID/Eagle HS
18	Aysha Maddox	C/Ut	Sr.	Richland, WA/Kamiakin HS
21	Jenna Haacke	2B/Ut	Jr.	Billings, MT/Senior HS
26	Terina Stacks	P/Of	So.	Washougal, WA/Washougal HS

Head Coach: Kim Lemmens (1st season)

Assistant Coaches: Cori Thiermann (1st season); Dan Biehl (1st season);

Courtney Funderburk (1st season)

Current Yellowjacket Softball Career Highs

#2 Crystal Bentley

Hits: 2 vs. SU, 3/5/06
Runs: 2 vs. DSU, 3/11/06
RBI: 2 vs. SU, 3/5/06
Doubles: n/a
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: n/a

#3 Jessica Frank

Hits: 3 vs. ASC, 2/17/06
Runs: 1 nineteen times
RBI: 4 vs. ASC, 2/17/06
Doubles: 1 three times
Homeruns: 1 six times
Stolen Bases: 1 vs. NNU, 3/5/05;
 1 vs. SU, 3/5/06

#4 Megan Moeller

Hits: 2 four times
Runs: 2 vs. OPSU, 4/7/06; 2 vs. UIW, 4/27/06
RBI: 3 vs. LU, 4/22/06
Doubles: 1 four times
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: 1 vs. SU, 3/5/06; 1 vs. LU, 4/22/06
Stolen Bases: 1 vs. DSU, 3/11/06;
 1 vs. UIW, 4/27/06

#6 Lisa Moore

Hits: 2 vs. OPSU, 4/7/06
Runs: 1 three times
RBI: 1 vs. GCU, 2/12/06; 1 vs. OPSU, 4/7/06
Doubles: n/a
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: n/a
Innings Pitched: 7.0 six times
Pitching K's: 14 vs. SIUE, 2/16/06

#7 Stephanie Rinehart

Hits: 1 five times
Runs: 2 vs. OPSU, 4/8/06
RBI: 1 vs. OPSU, 4/7/06
Doubles: 1 vs. UIW, 4/2/06; 1 vs. OPSU, 4/8/06
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: n/a

#8 Jenna McCartney

Hits: 2 five times
Runs: 1 twelve times
RBI: 2 four times
Doubles: 1 seven times
Triples: 1 vs. DSU, 3/11/06; 1 vs. UIW, 4/27/06
Homeruns: 1 vs. SEU, 4/15/06
Stolen Bases: 1 vs. GCU, 2/11/06;
 1 vs. OPSU, 4/8/06

#9 Leslie Davis

Hits: n/a
Runs: 1 vs. Hawaii-Hilo, 2/13/06
RBI: n/a
Doubles: n/a
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: n/a

#10 Stephanie Gosselin

Hits: 3 vs. UIW, 4/4/06
Runs: 3 vs. OPSU, 4/7/06
RBI: 2 vs. LU, 4/22/06; 2 vs. UIW, 4/27/06
Doubles: 1 five times
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: 1 vs. LU, 4/22/06
Stolen Bases: 1 four times

#11 Lindsey Trenary

Hits: n/a
Runs: n/a
RBI: n/a
Doubles: n/a
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: n/a
Innings Pitched: n/a
Pitching K's: n/a

#12 Mandy Schaapveld

Hits: n/a
Runs: n/a
RBI: n/a
Doubles: n/a
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: n/a

#14 Megan Samuels

Hits: n/a
Runs: n/a
RBI: n/a
Doubles: n/a
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: n/a

#15 Lorel Palmer

Hits: 2 four times
Runs: 2 vs. SIUE, 2/16/06
RBI: 1 vs. SIUE, 2/16/06; 1 vs. OPSU, 4/8/06
Doubles: 1 vs. SMU, 3/3/06;
 1 vs. WNMU, 3/30/06
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: 1 four times

#16 Rebekah Tsatsa

Hits: n/a
Runs: n/a
RBI: n/a
Doubles: n/a
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: n/a
Stolen Bases: n/a
Innings Pitched: 7.0 vs. SEU;
 7.0 vs. LU, 4/22/06
Pitching K's: 9 vs. LU, 4/22/06

#18 Aysha Maddox

Hits: 3 vs. MSC, 3/10/04
Runs: 2 five times
RBI: 3 vs. NMHU, 2/17/06;
 3 vs. OPSU, 4/7/06
Doubles: 1 nine times
Triples: 1 vs. CSUC, 4/2/04;
 1 vs. GCU, 2/12/06
Homeruns: 1 three times
Stolen Bases: 1 vs. NNU, 3/5/05

#21 Jenna Haacke

Hits: 3 vs. STMU, 4/1/06; 3 vs. UIW, 4/2/06
Runs: 2 four times
RBI: 3 vs. AC, 4/13/06; 3 vs. DSU, 3/11/06
Doubles: 1 nine times
Triples: 1 vs. UHH, 4/11/05
Homeruns: 1 fourteen times
Stolen Bases: n/a

#26 Terina Stacks

Hits: 1 six times
Runs: 2 vs. SEU, 4/15/06
RBI: 2 vs. OPSU, 4/7/06
Doubles: n/a
Triples: n/a
Homeruns: 1 vs. SEU, 4/15/06
Stolen Bases: n/a
Innings Pitched: 7.0 four times
Pitching K's: 9 vs. GCU, 3/3/06