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GAME DAY INFORMATION

THE SERIES

Overall Record	73-74
in Billings	48-25
in Dillon	23-45
at Neutral Sites	2-4

BROADCAST

Play-by-Play: Ken Adleblue (Web)
 Color: None

MONTANA WESTERN AT A GLANCE

Head Coach: Steve Keller
Record at UMW: 14-21 (1)
Assistants: Craig Finberg, Chase Tait, Matt Luedtke, Colby Blaine
Nickname: Bulldogs
Conference: Frontier Conference (NAIA)
Location: Dillon, Montana

YELLOWJACKET SCOREBOARD (0-1, 0-0 GNAC)

Nov. 11	Dickinson State (Exhib.)	W, 94-91
Nov. 15	at Gonzaga	L, 83-,52
Nov. 22	Montana-Western	7 p.m.
Nov. 26	University of Mary	7 p.m.
Nov. 29	at Chadron State	2 p.m.
Dec. 1	at University of Mary	7 p.m.
Dec. 5	Colorado Christian	7 p.m.
Dec. 6	Colorado Christian	4 p.m.
Dec. 11	Montana Tech	7 p.m.
Dec. 20	Augustana	2 p.m.
Dec. 31	Great Falls	5:30 p.m.
Jan. 2	Chadron State	7 p.m.
Jan. 8	at Western Washington*	7 p.m.
Jan. 10	at Seattle Pacific*	2 p.m.
Jan. 15	Western Oregon*	7 p.m.
Jan. 17	Alaska Fairbanks*	7 p.m.
Jan. 21	Central Washington*	7 p.m.
Jan. 24	Northwest Nazarene*	7 p.m.
Jan. 28	Alaska Anchorage*	7 p.m.
Feb. 5	at Western Oregon*	7 p.m.
Feb. 7	at Saint Martin's*	7 p.m.
Feb. 12	at Alaska Anchorage*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 14	at Alaska Fairbanks*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 21	Saint Martin's*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 25	Seattle Pacific*	7 p.m.
Feb. 28	Western Washington*	7 p.m.
Mar. 5	at Central Washington*	7 p.m.
Mar. 7	Northwest Nazarene*	7:30 p.m.

* Great Northwest Athletic Conference game
 All game times local to site



Montana Western (4-2)
 at
Montana State Billings (0-1)



Release #2 Saturday, November 22, 2008 • 7 p.m.
 Alterowitz Gymnasium (3,500) • Billings, Montana

Yellowjackets Open Home Slate Versus Montana Western

The Montana State Billings men's basketball opens the home slate Saturday versus Montana Western at 7 p.m. at Alterowitz Gymnasium. It will be head coach, George Pfeifer's first home game as head coach of the Yellowjackets.

MSUB returns home after playing its opener at Division I and 10th-ranked Gonzaga this past Saturday. The Yellowjackets were down by as many as 19 points in the first half, but senior transfer Michael Hall scored the final 14 points of the first half as MSUB went on a 14-0 run through the final 3:32 to cut the halftime deficit to 33-28. Gonzaga opened the second half with a 13-5 run through the first eight minutes to take control of the game and went on for an 83-52 victory. Hall led the Yellowjackets with a game-high 24 points and five made 3-pointers. He was named Co-Conference Player of the Week for his efforts against Gonzaga.

The Bulldogs are coming off hard-fought exhibition losses at Montana Tuesday, 75-67 and at Utah Valley State 90-80. UWM stands at 4-2 on the young season. Despite the loss at Montana, the Bulldogs had numerous chances for the outcome to be different as there were 11 lead changes and six ties. UMW didn't have a second half lead, but did cut the deficit to one point (61-60) with just over four minutes left. The Grizzlies went on a 12-3 run the rest of the way to secure the victory.

Against Utah Valley State, the Bulldogs shot 52 percent in the first half and were down just four at halftime, 42-38. In the second half, UVSU upped its average, while UMW's fell to 41 percent. Brandon Lawson led the Bulldogs with 19 points, but Ryan Toolson led all scorers with 41 points.

This season, the Yellowjackets are led by Hall who has 24 points. He leads the team in field goals with eight and 3-pointers with five. Hall also had one assist and one steal against Gonzaga. Second on the team in scoring is Brad Hodge who had eight second half points against the Bulldogs Saturday. Travis Bunker leads the team with eight rebounds.

UM-Western is led by Chad Myers who is averaging 17.7 points through six games this season. He leads the team in field goals (36), 3-pointers (19) and made free throws with 15 (15-21). He also leads the team with seven steals. Brandon Lawson who is second on the team in scoring at 12.7 leads the team with 49 rebounds and 8.2 rebounds per game. Eric Lipkin runs the point and has 31 assists thus far.

PROBABLE STARTING LINE-UPS

Montana State Billings (0-1)		Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pts.	Reb.	FG%	FT%
3	Travis Bunker	F	6-6	210	Sr.	2.0	8.0	.200	.000
4	Derrick Wright	F	6-7	240	Jr.	2.0	1.0	.000	.500
10	Mario Burns	G	6-0	157	Jr.	6.0	4.0	.273	.000
21	Kirk Blaine	F	6-6	203	So.	3.0	1.0	1.000	.250
22	Michael Hall	G	6-2	175	Sr.	24.0	4.0	.471	1.000

Montana Western (4-2)		Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pts.	Reb.	FG%	FT%
5	Chad Myers	G	6-2	--	Sr.	17.7	2.7	.434	.714
11	Eric Lipkin	G	6-2	--	Jr.	9.2	3.5	.422	.556
22	Brandon Lawson	F	6-2	--	Jr.	12.7	8.2	.608	.667
32	Garrett Fink	F	6-5	--	Jr.	9.7	6.0	.458	.667
40	JaRon Brown	F	6-6	--	Jr.	7.2	4.5	.633	.500



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MEDIA SERVICES

GEORGE PFEIFER INTERVIEWS

Media members wishing to arrange an interview with head coach George Pfeifer are asked to contact Kit Strief in the MSUB Sports Information Office.

PLAYER INTERVIEWS

Media members wishing to interview a MSUB player **MUST coordinate this through the MSUB Sports Information Office**. It is asked that at least three hours prior notice is given in order to arrange the interview and it must occur in a fashion that does not interfere with the student-athlete's academic schedule.

POST GAME INTERVIEWS

Post game interviews are to be conducted following the NCAA's recommended 10-minute cooling off period after the conclusion of the contest. Please alert a member of the MSUB Sports Information staff in advance about which players members of the media would like to interview. Coach Pfeifer will be made available as well.

HALL NAMED CO-GNAC POW

Senior Michael Hall earned co-GNAC Player of the Week honors for his 24-point outing against No. 10 Gonzaga last week. Hall scored a game-high in points and was 8 of 17 from the field and 5 of 12 from beyond the arc. He scored the final 14 points of the first half to bring the Yellowjackets within five at intermission. Hall shares the first GNAC Player of the Week honor since MSUB joined the league last year with Blake Poole of Saint Martin's.

EXHIBITION VERSUS DICKINSON STATE

The Yellowjackets opened the George Pfeifer with an exhibition victory over Dickinson State this past Tuesday. MSUB downed the Blue Hawks, 96-91 while shooting over 50 percent in both halves. The Jackets were led by 32 points from Idaho transfer Mike Hall on 13 of 23 from the field and 6 of 14 from beyond the arc. The Yellowjacket defense stymied DSU in the first half, holding the Blue Hawks to just 37 percent, while MSUB shot a blistering 57 percent in the opening half. In addition to Hall, Derrick Wright had 19 points of 7 of 8 from the field, while Mario Burns chipped in 14 points and five assists and Travis Bunker had a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

GETTIN' TO THE LINE

The Yellowjackets got to the charity stripe 45 times against DSU last week. MSUB went 28 of 45 from the line for 62.2 percent. MSUB was just two free throws off of tying its made field goals for the game.

LAST TIME VS. UMW

The Yellowjackets and the Bulldogs renewed a rivalry last season for the first time since the 1995-96 season. UMW posted a 77-57 victory

2008-09 GNAC Preseason Coaches Poll

No.	Team	Pts.
1.	Central Washington (7)	86
2.	Western Washington (2)	61
3.	Alaska Anchorage	58
4.	Seattle Pacific	53
5.	Northwest Nazarene	50
6.	Saint Martin's	40
7.	Western Oregon	29
8.	Montana State Billings	22
9.	Alaska Fairbanks	19

in Billings last season on Dec. 31. Chad Myers led three Bulldogs in double figures with 22 points, while John Brooks was the only Yellowjacket in double figures with 14 points. UMW outrebounded the Yellowjackets 57-39 and made 13 3-pointers compared to five for the Yellowjackets. In a game that saw both teams shoot poorly, MSUB finished just 18 of 66 for the game for 27 percent, while UMW was 20 of 57 for 35 percent.

SENIOR LEADERSHIP

Last season, the Yellowjackets didn't have a senior on the team, in fact, MSUB had probably one of the youngest teams in the country with six freshmen and four sophomores. This season, two senior transfers and six junior transfers highlight the team.

FRESH FACES

As the 2007-08 roster featured six freshmen, the 2008-09 roster features nine new players, including two Division I senior transfers, six transfer juniors and one freshman.

JUCO INFUSION

MONTANA STATE BILLINGS NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown
1	Kyle Palmer	G	5-9	So.	1L	Baton Rouge, La./Scotlandville HS
2	Brett Taylor	G	5-8	So.	1L	Billings, Mont./West HS
3	Travis Bunker	F	6-6	Sr.	TR	Beaver, Utah/Wyoming
4	Derrick Wright	F	6-7	Jr.	TR	Brooklyn, NY/W. Okla. State
5	Adam Weisz	G	6-1	Jr.	TR	Melstone, Mont./Dawson CC
10	Mario Burns	G	6-0	Jr.	TR	Las Vegas, Nev./W. Okla. State
21	Kirk Blaine	F	6-6	So.	1L	Gillette, Wyo./Campbell County HS
22	Michael Hall	G	6-2	Sr.	TR	Dayton, Ohio/Idaho
23	Troy Ruff	F	6-5	Jr.	2L	Custer, Mont./Custer HS
25	Marty Birky	F	6-4	So.	TR	Chinook, Mont./Dakota Wesleyan
32	Mike Barton	C	6-8	Jr.	2L	Havre, Mont./Havre HS
33	Tyler Hentzen	F	6-6	Jr.	1L	Brea, Calif./Orange Coast College
34	Brad Hodge	F	6-8	Jr.	TR	Hillsboro, Ore./Grays Harbor College
42	Ryan Meehan	G	6-2	Fr.	HS	Beaverton, Ore./Beaverton HS
44	Lance Anderson	F	6-6	Jr.	TR	Menlo, Wash./Grays Harbor College

Head Coach: George Pfeifer (1st season)

Assistant Coaches: Josh McGee (1st season), Justin Wetzel (1st season)

Student Manager: Maria Finken (1st season)

QUICK FACTS

Location: Billings, Montana

Enrollment: 4,799

Founded: 1927

Colors: Navy and Gold

Nickname: Yellowjackets

Confernece: Great Northwest Athletic

Arena: Alterowitz Gym (3,500)

ADMINISTRATION

Chancellor: Dr. Ronald Sexton

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Asst. Coaches: Josh McGee, Justin Wetzel

Student Assistant: Maria Finken

Athletic Trainer: Pat Hughes

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BASKETBALL POLLS

MSUB Week-By-Week

Date	Top 25	Region
Preseason	NR	--

NABC Division II Top 25 Poll Oct. 30, 2008

Team	Record	Pts.
1. Findlay (8)	28-5	200
1. S. Carolina-Aiken	27-4	164
3. Bentley	34-1	163
4. Florida Southern	24-9	161
5. Augusta State	27-7	146
6. Northern Kentucky	21-8	136
7. Central Oklahoma	29-6	133
8. Minnesota State	22-7	129
9. Winona State	38-1	127
10. Gannon	26-5	126
11. Grand Valley	36-1	110
12. SW Baptist	22-8	105
13. Central Washington	21-7	100
14. C.W. Post	26-5	82
15. North Alabama	27-9	77
16. NW Misouri State	24-8	68
17. Lenoir-Rhyne	23-7	59
18. Drury	25-6	58
19. Tarleton State	25-7	52
20. Cal St.-San Bernardino	22-8	40
21. Mount Olive	24-7	35
22. Kentucky Wesleyan	24-8	34
23. BYU-Hawaii	20-8	30
24. Fort Lewis	24-6	26
25. Pitt.-Johnstown	23-8	21

Other Receiving Votes: Ouachita Baptist 20, Ferris State 18, Bowie State 17, Central Missouri 17, Philadelphia 17, Benedict 14, Catawba 14, Christian Brothers 14, Northern State 13, Clayton State 11, Arkansas-Monticello 9, Valdosta State 8, Delta State 7, St. Edward's 6, Virginia Union 6, Carson-Newman 5, Metro State 5, Montevallo 5, Armstrong Atlantic State 4, Pfeiffer 3, Northeastern State 2, Ashland 1, Millersville 1, Nebraska-Omaha 1.

GREAT NORTHWEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE STANDINGS (Oct. 6, 2008)

	Conference	Overall
Northwest Nazarene	0-0	1-0
Western Oregon	0-0	1-0
Western Washington	0-0	1-0
Saint Martin's	0-0	3-2
Central Washington	0-0	0-0
Seattle Pacific	0-0	0-0
Montana State Billings	0-0	0-1
Alaska Fairbanks	0-0	0-2
Alaska Anchorage	0-0	0-3

This Week in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference

Mon., Nov. 17

Western Washington 109, Cascade 69

Wed., Nov. 19

Mary at Saint Martin's 7 p.m.
Alaska Fairbanks at Cal State Monterey 7 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 21

Wisconsin-Parkside vs. Saint Martin's 3 p.m.
Cal State San Bernardino vs. Western Washington 5 p.m.
Seattle Pacific vs. Mary 7 p.m.
Western Oregon vs. Chico State 7:30 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 22

Mary vs. Western Washington 5 p.m.
Northwest Nazarene vs. San Francisco State 5:30 p.m.
Seattle Pacific vs. Cal State San Bernardino 7 p.m.
Multnomah Bible at Central Washington 7 p.m.
Montana Western at Montana State Billings 7 p.m.

GNAC Players of the Week

Nov. 17 - Blake Poole (Saint Martin's)
Mike Hall (Montana State Billings)



'JACKETS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The Building Process

Head men's basketball coach George Pfeifer begins his first year at the helm of the Montana State University Yellowjackets for 2008-09. Pfeifer's inaugural season at MSUB follows a challenging and trying 2007-08 season in which the very young team finished 1-28 in their first campaign in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference. After serious recruiting and dedicated team building, a solid core of six returnees and nine newcomers represent the reconstructed foundation that Pfeifer is assembling at MSUB.

Entering his 30th year of coaching, Pfeifer comes to MSUB as no stranger to the majority of teams in the GNAC. Some of his previous coaching positions include the University of Idaho, Lewis-Clark State College and Rocky Mountain College in Billings. In his third year at LCSC, Pfeifer led the Warriors to capture the school's first basketball championship and first national tournament appearance. His 16-year legacy as head coach at LCSC includes six NAIA national tournament appearances.

Pfeifer is enthusiastic about the job ahead for the Yellowjackets.

"We have our work cut out for us," said Pfeifer. "I know in time people will hear me say repeatedly that this is one of the premier NCAA Division II conferences in the country. In basketball, we are definitely playing the 'varsity league.' I have coached against and am very familiar with the majority of coaches in the GNAC and I know first hand the quality of my peers and how high they set the bar."

The Focus

"First, let me say that these are good young men who want to achieve," said Pfeifer. "We have been working toward learning how to play consistently with a fundamental tough-minded approach. We want the team to play the game together both defensively and offensively in a global team style of play."

Pfeifer believes that the road to success will require the returning players to elevate their performance from a year ago, while the new players must get in there and impact the program immediately. As the team strives to build a cohesive unit, Pfeifer favors the old saying 'First you form your habits and then your habits form you.'

The Yellowjackets

The returning veterans of the team include junior forwards Tyler Hentzen, Troy Ruff and Mike Barton, as well as sophomore guards Kyle Palmer and Brett Taylor and forward Kirk Blaine. These athletes are tasked with focusing their efforts on Pfeifer's skill sets and game plans, as well as transitioning into the reconstructed Yellowjacket brand.

Hentzen, who tied for the team lead in offensive rebounds last

season (52), brings a strong work ethic, 6-6 size and willingness to adjust as he focuses on playing with "efficient aggressiveness." Pfeifer also sees great potential in Ruff's ability to contribute, focusing on his athletic ability to be a "fly around" player with a "mixture of football and hockey attitude sprinkled into his game."

Barton, who was named to the GNAC Academic All-Conference team last season, is working to put his 6-8 size into "gladiator mode" at center, while Taylor brings the ability to play either guard spot, make open shots and throw his high basketball IQ into the equation.

At 6-6, Blaine combines a high degree of mental and physical effort with the spark and energy of reckless abandon in the Jackets' forward lineup, while Palmer's athletic ability, speed and strength is merging into the skill sets of Pfeifer's team game.

"I know we were young last year, however . . . it is the work and preparation you take inside that year that affects improvement," said Pfeifer.



Two seniors recruited by Pfeifer for the 2008-09 lineup include 6-0 Mike Hall and 6-6 Travis Bunker. Both are NCAA Division I transfers and both were huge impact players coming out of Junior College. Hall, an NJCAA All-American from Lon Morris College in Jacksonville, Texas, holds three-point shooting records at the University of Idaho with a 9 of 10 shooting game vs. San Jose State. Bunker, a transfer from the University of Wyoming, was the captain of the College of Southern Idaho team that captured third place at the NJCAA tournament.

Two junior transfers from Western Oklahoma State include 6-1 Mario Burns and 6-7 Derek Wright. Burns, who possesses both speed and exceptional open court awareness, should provide an athletic presence at the point guard position. Wright brings the combination of crafty, versatile play which will generate some inside presence at forward.

Brad Hodge and Lance Anderson are two junior recruits who hail from Grays Harbor Community College in Washington. At 6-8, Hodge is a "bouncy, long athlete" who will be counted on at forward to utilize his mobility next to the rim, create a presence on defense and to be a factor at rebound. At 6-6, Anderson has the ability to give the 'Jackets a forward in the "bulky, front line player" tradition.

Three additional newcomers who are adding depth to the lineup include junior Adam Weisz, sophomore Marty Birky and freshman Ryan Meehan. Coming to MSUB from Dawson County Community College, Weisz (6-1) brings potential as a defensive stopper, while Birky brings talent as what Pfeifer refers to as a "tweener" with ability at both guard and forward. Meehan is making the transition from high school to college ball and is showing promise as an excellent catch and shoot player.



TEAM COMPARISONS

	<u>MSUB</u>	<u>UMW</u>
Record	0-1	4-2
Scoring Offense	52.0	85.7
Scoring Defense	83.0	70.7
Scoring Margin	-31.0	+15.0
FG Pct.	.327	.495
FG Pct. Defense	.477	.447
3FG Pct.	.263	.344
3FG Pct. Defense	.296	.337
Free Throw Pct.	.647	.664
Rebound Avg.	31.0	37.8
Opp. Rebound Avg.	44.0	32.8
TO Avg.	18.0	17.5
Opponent TO	12.0	20.0
TO Margin	-6.0	+2.5
Steals Avg.	4.0	9.3

MSUB has a number of junior college transfers this season. In fact, five of the nine new players all came from junior college. Derrick Wright and Mario Burns came from Western Oklahoma State College, while Lance Anderson and Brad Hodge transferred from Grays Harbor College and Adam Weisz came to MSUB from Dawson County Community College.

JACKETS PICKED EIGHTH

The Yellowjackets were picked preseason eighth by the conference coaches. The Jackets tallied 22 points, three ahead of ninth-place Alaska Fairbanks.

LISTEN TO PFEIFER

Fans can listen to the weekly Coach Pfeifer Show on the internet each Tuesday. Log on

to www.msibillings.edu/athletics to listen to Pfeifer's thoughts on the previous week and the coming weeks throughout the season.

LOOKING FOR WINS

The MSUB men's basketball team is looking to snap a 13-game skid dating back to Jan. 24 of last season when MSUB ended an 18-game skid with a 65-55 victory over Alaska Fairbanks.

LISTEN TO HOME GAMES

Fans can listen to all MSUB men's basketball home games by logging on to www.msibillings.edu/athletics and click on live broadcasts. Ken Adelblue provides the play-by-play for each home game.

GNAC STATS

Team Stats (rank)

Scoring Offense.....	
Scoring Defense.....	
Scoring Margin.....	
Field Goal Percentage.....	
Field Goal Percentage Def.....	
Free Throw Percentage.....	
3-Point FG Percentage.....	
3-Point FG Percentage Def.....	
3-Point FGs Made.....	
Defensive Rebounds.....	
Offensive Rebounds.....	
Rebounding Offense.....	
Rebounding Defense.....	
Rebounding Margin.....	
Assist-Turnover Ratio.....	
Turnover Margin.....	
Blocked Shots.....	
Assists.....	
Steals.....	

Individual Stats MSUB

SPECIALTY STATS

Below is a game-by-game breakdown of free throws, bench points, points in the paint, points off turnovers, TOs and second-chance points. (Shown as MSUB stats first, followed by opponents).

<u>Game</u>	<u>FT</u>	<u>Bench</u>	<u>Paint</u>	<u>Off TO</u>	<u>2nd-Chance</u>
at Gonzaga	11-13	16-25	18-42	7-28	2-7
Montana Western					
Mary					
at Chadron State					
at Mary					
Colorado Christian					
Colorado Christian					
Montana Tech					
Augustana					
Great Falls					
Chadron State					
at Western Washington					
at Seattle Pacific					
Western Oregon					
Alaska Fairbanks					
Central Washington					
Northwest Nazarene					
Alaska Anchorage					
at Western Oregon					
at Saint Martin's					
at Alaska Anchorage					
at Alaska Fairbanks					
Saint Martin's					
Seattle Pacific					
Western Washington					
at Central Washington					
at Northwest Nazarene					



POST-TIME REPORT

2008-09 Season

Overall

Overall	0-1
Home	0-0
Away	0-1
Neutral	0-0

Monthly Records

November	0-1
December	0-0
January	0-0
February	0-0
March	0-0

Daily Records

Monday	0-0
Tuesday	0-0
Wednesday	0-0
Thursday	0-0
Friday	0-0
Saturday	0-1
Sunday	0-0

Miscellaneous

Winning the tip	0-0
Losing the tip	0-1
Leading at halftime	0-0
Trailing at halftime	0-1
Tied at halftime	0-0
Score first	0-0
Opponent scores first	0-1
Leading with 5 min. to play	0-0
Trailing with 5 min. to play	0-1
Games decided by 3 pts. or less	0-0
Games decided by 4-10 pts.	0-0
Games decided by 11-plus pts.	0-1
Shoot 50% or better	0-0
Shoot less than 50%	0-1
Shoot higher % than opponent	0-0
Shoot lower % than opponent	0-1
Opp. shoot worse than 50%	0-1
Opp. shoot higher than 50%	0-0
Score less than 60 points	0-1
Score 60-plus points	0-0
Score 70-plus points	0-0
Score 80-plus points	0-0
Opp. score fewer than 50 pts.	0-0
Opp. score fewer than 60 pts.	0-0
Opp. score fewer than 70 pts.	0-0
Opp. score fewer than 80 pts.	0-0
Opp. score fewer than 90 pts.	0-1
Outrebound opponent	0-0
Outrebounded by opponent	0-1
Rebounds are even	0-0
Committ less turnovers than opp.	0-0
Committ more turnovers than opp.	0-1
Make more or same 3FGs than opp.	0-0
Make fewer 3FGs than opp.	0-1
Make more/same FTs than opp.	0-0
Make less FTs than opp.	0-1
Score more/same points in paint	0-0
Score less points in paint	0-1
Make more bench points than opp.	0-0
Make less bench points than opp.	0-1
Make more/same points off turnovers	0-0
Make less points off turnovers	0-1
Overtime	0-0
Games vs. Top 25 opponents	0-1
Games vs. Regional Ranked opp.	0-0
Games following loss	0-0
Games following win	0-0
Games vs. winning teams	0-0
Games vs. losing teams	0-0
Games vs. .500 teams	0-0

MSUB CAREER LEADERS

Scoring (1,000-plus points)

1. Roy McPipe (1972-74)	1,912
2. Les Heins (1950-53)	1,909
3. Cameron Munoz (2003-06)	1,879
4. Jim Soft (1965-68)	1,552
5. Bart Bauer (1979-82)	1,547
6. Titus Warmesley (1997-99)	1,507
7. Markus Hallgrimson (1998-00)	1,502
8. Mark Hamilton (1995-98)	1,463
9. Reece Gliko (1996-97)	1,388
10. Buddy Windy Boy (2003-06)	1,278
11. Chris Herriford (1992-94)	1,252
12. Jerrett Skrifvars (2000-04)	1,240
13. Fred Johnston (1970-71)	1,214
14. Joe Rinella (1961-64)	1,124
15. Bill Drumm (1961-63)	1,114

Rebounds (500-plus)

1. Jim Soft (1965-68)	1,338
2. Bill Drumm (1961-63)	909
3. Roscoe Dudley (1970-71)	815
4. Harvey Munford (1962-64)	799
5. Roy McPipe (1972-74)	772
6. Bill Mummert (1971-72)	694
7. Brian Cook (1999-02)	647
8. Miodrag Babic (1996-99)	619
9. Jerome Reese (1977-80)	613
10. Jerrett Skrifvars (2000-04)	576
11. Ernie Fortney (1967-68)	559
12. Doug Borland (1966-69)	553
13. John Momper (1977-80)	545
14. Chris Herriford (1992-94)	541
15. Steve Brimmer (1983-86)	501

Assists

1. Jamie Stevens (1995-99)	813
2. Dominic Washington (1985, 87)	457
3. Dave Carse (2001-04)	437
4. Willy Davison (2000-03)	415
5. William Foster (1977-80)	408
6. Carlin Hughes (2005-06)	405
7. Marty Bertolette (1991-94)	358
8. Ron Osborne (1980-83)	315
9. Ty Elkin (1992-95)	280
10. Barry Green (1982-84)	278

Steals

1. Jamie Stevens (1995-1999)	167
2. Dominic Washington (1985-87)	165
3. Titus Warmesley (1997-99)	125
4. Buddy Windy Boy (2003-06)	120
5. Ty Elkin (1992-95)	114
6. Darryl Roberts (1985-86)	112
6. Jerrett Skrifvars (2000-04)	112
8. Brian Cook (1999-02)	101
9. Jonathan Wiley (2004-07)	99
10. Marty Bertolette (1991-94)	95

MSUB CAREER LEADERS

Blocks

1. Chris Herriford (1992-94)	107
2. Brian Cook (1999-02)	89
3. Pat Reynolds (1986-87)	88
4. Kyle Stirmlinger (2002-03)	76
5. Djole Palfi (1997-98)	48
6. Robert Utterback (1987-88)	45
6. Jonathan Wiley (2004-07)	45
8. Jaysun Mims (1990-91)	43
9. Jason Skrifvars (1998-92)	32
10. Dominic Washington (1985-87)	27

STANDOUT PERFORMANCES

30+ Scoring Games:

20+ Scoring Games (1): Michael Hall (1)

Double Figure Points (1): Michael Hall (1)

Double Figure Rebounds:

Double-Doubles (Pts-Ast):

Double-Doubles (Pts-Rebs):

Six or more Assists:

Five or more Steals:

Jackets vs. Conferences

Division I	0-1
NAIA	0-0
Northern Sun	0-1
Rocky Mountain Athletic	0-0
Great Northwest Athletic	0-0



HEAD COACH GEORGE PFEIFER



George Pfeifer begins his first season as head coach of men's basketball at Montana State University Billings. He comes to the Yellowjackets with a rich background in resurrecting and building championship level programs.

Pfeifer comes to MSUB after three years at the University of Idaho where he inherited a program that was in last place and predicted by every media and coaches poll to finish last. In the end they proved

those predictions wrong finishing in the middle of the Western Athletic Conference winning three of their last five league games to give the program the highest finish in the WAC.

Prior to Idaho, Pfeifer had a very successful tenure at Lewis-Clark State College where he was the head men's coach from 1989-2005 and the assistant coach from 1987-1989. He gained his 200th career win as the Warrior Head Coach in 2001—02, and then set the school record for coaching career wins with 213 victories in a 105-79 win over the University of Great Falls, while garnering 294 career wins at his alma mater. During his tenure, he built L-C into one of the strongest programs in the Pacific Northwest and led the Warriors to national prominence.

During the 2002-03 season, the Warriors team posted a school-record for wins with a 31-6 overall record and an .837 winning percentage. Prior to his arrival as a coach, L-C had won only one playoff game in its basketball history as a four-year institution in 1947. It took Pfeifer only three years to guide L-C to a conference title and their schools' first berth in the NAIA championships beating Simon-Fraser University, Western Washington and St. Martin's College in a best two-out-of-three series. At that time, it marked the first time in the 99- year history of the men's basketball program that it qualified for a national tournament. That year, the Warriors posted 23 wins which was a school-record at the time for wins in one season. Two years later in 1995, Pfeifer led L-C to its second NAIA berth in a victory over Seattle University.

In his 16 years as the L-C head coach his teams would play in eight title games, eight district championships and reach the national tournament six times. When he took over the program, the school record for wins in a single season was 21. In Pfeifer's last six seasons, the Warriors averaged over 23 wins per year. He has been selected Coach of the Year five times and has recruited and coached 18 NAIA All-Americans as well as 18 Academic All-Americans. Of the 75 men's basketball records held at L-C, Pfeifer

coached teams had posted 51 when he left.

Not one to shy away from playing tough schedules, the Warriors under Pfeifer's rein faced 26 NCAA Division I opponents. In 2000, the Lewis-Clark State defeated the University of Idaho 68-54 and Boise State by 14 points in 1995. In two meetings against Washington State, L-C dropped both decisions on a last second shot and by five points.

Prior to his current position at L-C, Pfeifer had a two-year stint as an assistant basketball coach under legendary head coach, Dick Hannan. He also served as the head women's basketball coach at Rocky Mountain College for two years (1985-87). Pfeifer also was an assistant coach for men's basketball at RMC during the 1984-85 campaign under Mark Adams. He was a part of RMC's first-ever NAIA National Tournament berth after being crowned District XII champions.

Pfeifer also served as head coach for two years at Hardin High School in Hardin, Mont., and three years at St. Maries High School in his hometown of St. Maries, Idaho. In his two years at Hardin, Pfeifer led the team to back-to-back appearances at the Montana State High School Championships. Hardin had not been to the state tournament in over 20 years, and were 5-56 over the three years before his arrival. He also led St. Maries to a 21-3 record in his third year and a fourth place finish at the Idaho State Class A-2 Tournament. Prior to his arrival, St. Maries had only won one game in each of the three seasons leading up to Pfeifer's arrival.

He graduated from Lewis-Clark State in 1979 with a Bachelor of Science degree in social science and a minor in physical education and coaching. Pfeifer received his master's degree in secondary education administration in 1989 from the University of Idaho.

He has been married for 26 years to Susan, who teaches in the Billings School District. They have three children. Their oldest son, Duncan, who is in his final year of his engineering degree, Jennifer who just graduated with her business finance degree and their youngest daughter, Abigail, who is starting her freshman

year. All three of their children have or are attending the University of Idaho. Pfeifer's son-in-law, Cassidy Probert, graduated from Idaho in 2007 and his daughter-in-law, Kylie graduated from Idaho in 2008.



Montana State University Billings
Montana State Billings Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 21, 2008)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(0-1)	(0-0)	(0-1)	(0-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(0-1)	(0-0)	(0-1)	(0-0)

##	Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		Pct		----REBOUNDS----				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
				FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg								
22	Hall,Michael.....	1-1	30 30.0	8-17	.471	5-12	.417	3-3	1.000	0	4	4	4.0	1	0	1	4	0	1	24	24.0
34	Hodge,Brad.....	1-0	8 8.0	3-7	.429	0-1	.000	2-2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	3	0	0	0	0	0	8	8.0
10	Burns,Mario.....	1-1	31 31.0	3-11	.273	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1	3	4	4.0	3	0	4	5	1	0	6	6.0
05	Weisz,Adam.....	1-0	4 4.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	4-5	.800	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4.0
21	Blaine,Kirk.....	1-1	27 27.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	1-4	.250	0	1	1	1.0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	3.0
03	Bunker,Travis.....	1-1	35 35.0	1-5	.200	0-4	.000	0-0	.000	1	7	8	8.0	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	2.0
33	Hentzen,Tyler.....	1-0	21 21.0	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	1	1	2	2.0	3	0	1	0	0	0	2	2.0
01	Palmer,Kyle.....	1-0	4 4.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	0	1	1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
04	Wright,Derrick.....	1-1	20 20.0	0-7	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	1	0	1	1.0	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	1.0
44	Anderson,Lance.....	1-0	1 1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
42	Meehan,Ryan.....	1-0	1 1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
32	Barton,Mike.....	1-0	2 2.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
25	Birky,Marty.....	1-0	1 1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
02	Taylor,Brett.....	1-0	11 11.0	0-1	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0
23	Ruff,Troy.....	1-0	4 4.0	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
	Team.....									5	4	9	9.0	0		4					
	Total.....	1	200	18-55	.327	5-19	.263	11-17	.647	9	22	31	31.0	15	0	8	18	1	4	52	52.0
	Opponents.....	1	200	31-65	.477	8-27	.296	13-16	.813	14	30	44	44.0	17	-	19	12	10	6	83	83.0

TEAM STATISTICS	MSUB	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	52	83	11/15/08	at #10 Gonzaga	L	52-83	6000
Points per game.....	52.0	83.0					
Scoring margin.....	-31.0	-					
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	18-55	31-65					
Field goal pct.....	.327	.477					
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	5-19	8-27					
3-point FG pct.....	.263	.296					
3-pt FG made per game..	5.0	8.0					
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	11-17	13-16					
Free throw pct.....	.647	.813					
REBOUNDS.....	31	44					
Rebounds per game.....	31.0	44.0					
Rebounding margin.....	-13.0	-					
ASSISTS.....	8	19					
Assists per game.....	8.0	19.0					
TURNOVERS.....	18	12					
Turnovers per game.....	18.0	12.0					
Turnover margin.....	-6.0	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	0.4	1.6					
STEALS.....	4	6					
Steals per game.....	4.0	6.0					
BLOCKS.....	1	10					
Blocks per game.....	1.0	10.0					
WINNING STREAK.....	0	-					
Home win streak.....	0	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	0	6000					
Home games-Avg/Game....	0-0	1-6000					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	0-0					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	Total
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Montana State Billings.....	28	24	52
Opponents.....	33	50	83

