



CINCINNATI BEARCATS®

2003-04 Women's Basketball Prospectus

University Quick Facts

Location	Cincinnati, Ohio 45221
Founded	1819
Enrollment	34,000
Conference	Conference USA
Nickname	Bearcats
Arena (capacity)	Fifth Third Arena at Shoemaker Center (13,176)
Colors	Red and Black
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
President	Dr. Nancy L. Zimpher
Athletics Director	Bob Goin
Senior Woman Administrator	Stephanie Rousseau
Faculty Representative	Dr. Nancy Hamant
Assistant AD/Media Relations	Tom Hathaway
Asst. SID/WBK Contact	Geoff Wiswell

Basketball Staff

Head Coach	Laurie Pirtle (Ohio State '80)
Record at UC	254-240 (17 yrs.)
Overall Record	337-256 (21 yrs.)
Assistant Coaches	Dawn Hoosier (Cincinnati '95), Michelle Clark (Western Kentucky '90), Laura Wilder (Cincinnati '02)
Dir. of Operations	Jolinda Miller

Telephone Numbers (513)

Athletic Department	556-5601
Basketball Office	556-2255
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Bearcats by the Numbers

2002-03 Record	23-8
Conference USA Record	11-3
Regular Season	2nd
Tournament	2nd
NCAA Tournament	0-1
..... West Sub-Regional No. 10 Seed	
..... Lost to Arkansas, 71-57	
Starters Returning/Lost	3/2
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	8/5

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2003-04 Cincinnati Women's Basketball Roster

RETURNEES		2002-03 stats								Hometown (High School/JC/College)
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Cl.	Exp.	G-GP	Pts.	Reb.	Ast.	
11	Leslie Knoch	G	5-6	So.	1L	15-0	0.8	0.5	0.3	Whipple, Ohio (Fort Frye)
12	Micah Harvey	G	5-7	So.	1L	31-0	2.9	1.4	2.0	Sardinia, Ohio (Eastern Brown)
13	Sara Piepho	G	5-6	Jr.	2L	11-0	0.2	0.1	0.5	Howell, Mich. (Howell)
23	Edwina Williams	C	6-3	So.	1L	2-0	1.0	0.5	0.0	Maple Heights, Ohio (Regina)
31	DEBBIE MERRILL	C/F	6-3	Jr.	2L	31-31	18.0	8.5	1.9	Cumberland City, Tenn. (Montgomery Central)
33	BRITTANI YOUNG	F	5-11	Sr.	3L	31-31	3.8	4.2	2.1	Pickerington, Ohio (Pickerington)
34	VALERIE KING	G	5-10	Sr.	4L	31-31	16.4	2.8	1.5	Washington Court House, Ohio (Washington C.H.)
45	Anne Stephens	C	6-4	So.	1L	19-0	2.3	1.1	0.1	Mineral Wells, W.Va. (Parkersburg South)
LOSSES										
	CAROLYN ALEXANDER	G/F	5-10		2L	31-30	11.1	6.3	0.9	Hazard, Ky. (Hazard/Kentucky)
	Merelene Dozier	G	5-5		4L	20-0	1.4	0.8	0.2	Cleveland, Ohio (East Tech)
	Meghan Hillman	F	6-1		1L	13-0	0.7	0.8	0.2	Olive Hill, Ky. (West Carter)
	K.B. SHARP	G	5-9		4L	31-31	13.6	5.7	5.9	Columbus, Ohio (Bexley)
	Miranda Smith	F	6-1		RS	0-0	—	—	—	Chesapeake, Va. (Indian River)
	DeAnna Stevenson	F	6-1		2L	28-1	2.1	2.8	0.2	Cincinnati, Ohio (Withdraw)
NEWCOMERS										
3	Bellva May	G	5-9	Jr.	JC		15.8	3.9	4.4	Orange, N.J. (Orange/Louisburg)
4	Ashlee Stevens	F	6-0	Fr.	HS		21.7	—	—	Columbus, Ohio (Beechcroft)
14	Toni Slaughter	F	6-0	Fr.	HS		15.9	7.9	—	Shelbyville, Ky. (Shelby County)
22	Crystal Ashley	F	6-1	Jr.	JC		13.1	6.0	—	Oakland, Calif. (Oakland Tech/Cowley County CC)
32	Karen Twehues	G	6-0	Fr.	HS		—	—	—	Minusio, Switz. (Tipp City/Regazzi Star Gordola)
44	Treasure Humphries	G	5-6	Fr.	HS		24.4	—	3.6	Canton, Ohio (Canton-McKinley)

2002-03 Starters in CAPS

KEY: 1L-one letter, 2L-two letters, etc.; HS-High School; TR-Transfer; RS-Red Shirt



ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous School)
22	Crystal Ashley	F	6-1	Jr.	JC	Oakland, Calif. (Cowley County C.C.)
12	Micah Harvey	G	5-7	So.	1L	Sardinia, Ohio (Eastern Brown)
44	Treasure Humphries	G	5-6	Fr.	HS	Canton, Ohio (Canton-McKinley)
34	Valerie King	G	5-10	Sr.	3L	Washington Court House, Ohio (Washington)
11	Leslie Knoch	G	5-6	So.	1L	Whipple, Ohio (Fort Frye)
3	Bellva May	G	5-9	Jr.	JC	Orange, N.J. (Louisburg College)
31	Debbie Merrill	C	6-3	Jr.	2L	Cumberland City, Tenn. (Mont.Central)
13	Sara Piepho	G	5-6	Jr.	2L	Howell, Mich. (Howell)
14	Toni Slaughter	F	6-0	Fr.	HS	Shelbyville, Ky. (Shelby County)
45	Anne Stephens	C	6-4	So.	1L	Mineral Wells, W.Va. (Parkersburg So.)
4	Ashlee Stevens	F	6-0	Fr.	HS	Columbus, Ohio (Beechcroft)
32	Karen Twehues	G	6-0	Fr.	HS	Minusio, Switz. (Tipp City*/Regazzi Star Gordola)
23	Edwina Williams	C	6-3	So.	1L	Maple Heights, Ohio (Regina)
33	Brittani Young	F	5-11	Sr.	3L	Pickerington, Ohio (Pickerington)

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous School)
3	Bellva May	G	5-9	Jr.	JC	Orange, N.J. (Louisburg College)
4	Ashlee Stevens	F	6-0	Fr.	HS	Columbus, Ohio (Beechcroft)
11	Leslie Knoch	G	5-6	So.	1L	Whipple, Ohio (Fort Frye)
12	Micah Harvey	G	5-7	So.	1L	Sardinia, Ohio (Eastern Brown)
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45	Anne Stephens	C	6-4	So.	1L	Mineral Wells, W.Va. (Parkersburg So.)

* during 1999-2000 school year

Bearcats by Class

Seniors (2)

Valerie King, Brittani Young

Juniors (4)

Crystal Ashley, Bellva May, Debbie Merrill, Sara Piepho

Sophomores (4)

Micah Harvey, Leslie Knoch, Anne Stephens, Edwina Williams

Freshmen (4)

Treasure Humphries, Toni Slaughter, Ashlee Stevens, Karen Twehues

Bearcats by Position

Point Guards - Micah Harvey, Treasure Humphries, Sara Piepho

Shooting Guards - Valerie King, Leslie Knoch, Bellva May, Karen Twehues

Small Forwards - Toni Slaughter, Brittani Young

Power Forwards - Crystal Ashley, Ashlee Stevens

Centers - Debbie Merrill, Anne Stephens, Edwina Williams



2003-04 Cincinnati Women's Basketball Outlook

POINT GUARD

The biggest loss on the team is the graduation of all-time assist leader **K.B. Sharp**. She was the floor leader for the last three years and also holds the school's all-time records for minutes and games played. Her immediate replacement is sophomore **Micah Harvey**, who was the only reserve to play in every game last year, averaging 2.9 points and 2.0 assists in 14 minutes per game. A newcomers will also battle for time at the point. Freshman **Treasure Humphries** is a three-time all-state selection at Canton-McKinley (OH) High School. She averaged over 20 points each of the past two years.

SHOOTING GUARD

Senior **Valerie King** returns as one of the best in the country at her position. The two-time first team all-league selection will bring her career numbers of 17.5 points per game and .394 shooting from behind the arc back for one more season. She has her sights set on becoming the second player in school history to score 2,000 points. A pair of newcomers will back her up. Junior **Bellva May** averaged 15.8 points, 4.4 assists and 3.8 rebounds while leading Louisburg College to an eighth-place finish at the NJCAA National Championship. Freshman **Karen Twehues** from Minusio, Switzerland is also expected to contribute. The 6-0 guard was the youngest player on the Swiss National Team in 2001 and is ranked among the top 50 in her class by the *All-Star Girls Report*. Sophomore **Leslie Knoch**, limited by injuries each of the past two years, will also see time here.

SMALL FORWARD

Senior **Brittani Young** has started the last 73 games for the Bearcats. She is UC's top defensive player, used to shut down the opponents' best perimeter player or play the back of the Bearcats' trapping zone. Pushing her for time will be a couple of freshman. **Toni Slaughter** averaged 15.9 points and 7.9 rebounds in leading Shelby County (KY) High School to its fourth district title in the last five years. Her teams had a 112-19 record in her four years. Twehues, while a natural guard, has the size to contribute at small forward also.

CENTER

Honorable mention all-American and first team all-conference selection junior **Debbie Merrill** returns as the top post player in the league. She averaged 18.0 points and 8.5 rebounds last year while leading the team with 17 blocks. Merrill ranks among the top five in school history in career points and rebounds per game and shooting percentage and last year passed both the 1,000-point and 500-rebound marks. Spelling Merrill, or allowing her to play some power forward, is 6-4 sophomore **Anne Stephens**. Stephens averaged just 6.3 minutes per game last year, but made 67 percent (20-of-30) of her shots from the floor.

POWER FORWARD

For the second-straight year, this position is the biggest question mark for the Bearcats, as the two players who shared the spot last year have graduated. Merrill may see some time here if Stephens takes over the center assignment. If not, the top contenders are freshman **Ashlee Stevens** and junior college transfer **Crystal Ashley**. Stevens is a two-time all-state selection from Columbus (OH) Beechcroft High School who averaged 21.7 points a game last year. A tremendous athlete, she is ranked as one of the top 20 wings in her class by the *All-Star Girls Report*. Ashley was an honorable mention NJCAA all-American and conference MVP at Cowley County CC. She averaged 13.1 points and 6.0 rebounds per game while ranking second in the nation with a .651 shooting percentage.



Head Coach

Laurie Pirtle

UC's Winningest Coach Enters Her 18th Year

Committed to Bearcat Basketball

Committed. Determined. Loyal. Three words that easily describe Laurie Pirtle, head coach of the University of Cincinnati Bearcats.

Pirtle, who begins her 18th year as the Bearcats' mentor, is without question the most successful women's basketball coach in UC history.

During her tenure, the Bearcats have won 254 games and have advanced to postseason play more times than they have under any other coach. In the last seven years, Pirtle has guided UC to seven consecutive winning seasons, six 20-plus win campaigns and a sixth-straight postseason appearance. Cincinnati also had its first player play in the WNBA when K.B. Sharp made the roster of the New York Liberty for the 2003 season.

The 2002-03 Bearcats began the season ranked as high as 18th, the first time a Cincinnati team was ever ranked to begin a season. Under Pirtle's direction, UC set a school record for consecutive home wins (21) and a C-USA mark for most consecutive league games won (15). The Bearcats finished second in C-USA in the regular season and the tournament, reaching the title game for the third-straight year. UC performed the unprecedented feat of having three players, Sharp, Valerie King and Debbie Merrill, named first team All-C-USA.

In the 2001-02 season, UC posted its best start to a season ever with 11-straight wins before losing to Louisville on Jan. 4. On Dec. 31, Cincinnati received its first-ever ranking in the polls, coming in at No. 23 in the *USA Today/ESPN* poll and No. 25 in the Associated Press poll. After suffering four losses in six games, the Bearcats responded with a school record 14-game winning streak, which included a C-USA Tournament title and the program's first-ever NCAA Tournament win, a 76-63 overtime thriller against St. Peter's. King earned honorable mention all-America honors, UC's first all-America in 16 years.

The foundation for success was put in place back in 1986 when Pirtle first stepped foot on campus. Since then she has been determined to turn the Bearcat program around. It took her just two seasons since her arrival to transpose a 6-22 program into an 18-11 winning team. Her outstanding efforts were rewarded in 1988, when she picked up coach of the year honors in the Metro Conference following UC's second-place finish in the league. Pirtle also earned her 100th career win that same year.

A season later, the Bearcats earned their first-ever bid to the NCAA Tournament. In that star-studded season (1988-89), Cincinnati tied a school record with 12 consecutive wins, knocking off powerhouses Ohio State, UCLA and Kentucky. Under Pirtle, UC won the mythical state championship of Ohio Division I schools with a 7-1 slate against intrastate rivals.

Determined To Put UC In The Limelight

After a period of rebuilding, Pirtle's hard work paid off as the Bearcats registered a 17-11 record during the 1996-97 season, advancing to the second round of the Conference USA Tournament and capturing their second mythical state championship of Ohio Division I schools with a 5-0 slate.

A year later, Pirtle carried the Cincinnati program into the national spotlight when she guided the Bearcats to their third-ever postseason appearance and first showing in the WNIT. UC posted its first 20-win season in nine years and received votes in the *USA Today/ESPN* Coaches' poll.





With her sights on an NCAA Tournament appearance, Pirtle brought her team to the next level in 1998-99. Highlighted by the team's second straight 20-win season, Cincinnati earned a share of the C-USA regular season title, a runner-up finish in the league tournament and received votes in both national polls, including a No. 27 ranking by the Associated Press.

Most significantly, though, was that Pirtle reached her goal—a bid to the Big Dance. That accomplishment distinguished her as the only coach in UC history to guide UC to more than one NCAA appearance. After producing a 20-7 regular season record, Pirtle was honored as the C-USA Coach of the Year, the seventh similar honor in her career.

A season later, Cincinnati earned its second bid to the WNIT. Powered by Madinah Slaise's 32 points, UC defeated Pittsburgh, 76-60, in the first round to record the program's second postseason win in history. The Bearcats closed out the season as one of five Conference USA schools ranked in the top 60 on the final RPI Report.

In 2000-01, the Bearcats extended the school's postseason streak, making a late run to earn their second straight bid to the WNIT. Winners of eight of its last 10 games, Cincinnati faced Ohio State in the first round, losing on a basket at the buzzer, 61-60. The team finished at 22-10, its third 20-plus win campaign in four years. Other season highlights included freshman Valerie King's selection as the C-USA Tournament's Most Valuable Player. She also became the fifth UC player in six years to be

selected to the league's all-freshman team.

Prior to Cincinnati, Pirtle served a four-year stint as the head coach at Capital University, posting an 83-16 (.838) mark. Under her direction, the Crusaders made their first-ever trip to the NCAA Division III Final Four after a 27-4 showing during the 1985-86 season. They also won a pair of Ohio Athletic Conference titles.

Pirtle was named the OAC and Converse Division III District Coach of the Year in 1985 and 1986, and was the Ohio Intercollegiate Basketball Coaches Association Coach of the Year in 1985.

Pirtle earned her first coaching position, following her graduation from Ohio State in 1980, serving one season (1980-81) as an assistant coach at William Fisher Catholic High School in Lancaster, Ohio.

At OSU, Pirtle was a three-year starter for the Buckeye team after entering the program as a walk-on. A gifted ball-handler, Pirtle still ranks in the top 10 for career assists (317 in 104 games). She earned her B.S. and M.S. from OSU in 1980 and 1986, respectively.

Following graduation, Pirtle signed and practiced with the New Mexico Enegee of the Ladies Professional Basketball Association. She also competed in the Venezuelan Basketball League for the Venezuela Oilers in 1980.

Loyal To Cincinnati And Its Community

A dynamic motivator, Pirtle is recognized throughout the Cincinnati community and speaks at various camps and clinics in the area. Last summer, Pirtle entertained young campers at the 2001 Oscar Robertson Basketball Camp with her ball-handling routine.

A key member of the gender equity committee at UC, Pirtle represents the university at championship events and other professional organizations such as the Women's Basketball Coaches Association. She also serves as a committee member for the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky Women's Sports Association, who recognizes the area's leading female athletes. Following the 1999-00 season, the Leading Women of Cincinnati selected Pirtle as a Leading Woman in the area for her outstanding contributions to women's athletics.

A longtime member of UC Athletics, Pirtle remains true and loyal to Bearcat basketball for one reason—it's home. During her tenure, she has worked in three offices, under four different athletic directors and in four different athletic conferences. She knows Bearcat women's basketball more than anyone else. She lives it.

The Pirtle Coaching File

Personal

Full Name: Laurie Lee Pirtle
 Hometown: Columbus, Ohio
 Education: Hilliard High School
 Ohio State University
 B.S. in Physical Education, '80
 M.S. in Sports Management, '86

Coaching Experience

Overall Record: 337-256
 Record at Cincinnati: 254-240
 Head Coach:
 University of Cincinnati: 1986-pres.
 Capital University: 1982-86
 Assistant:
 William Fisher Catholic H.S.: 1980-81

Playing Experience

Ohio State (1976-80); New Mexico Enegee (1980), LPBA; Venezuela Oilers (1980), Venezuelan Basketball League.

Milestone Wins at UC

- 1 - January 5, 1986 in Armory Fieldhouse Cincinnati 74, Southern Miss 63
- 50 - February 15, 1990 at Wright State Cincinnati, 76 Wright State 61
- 100 - January 14, 1995 in Shoemaker Center Cincinnati, 70 Saint Louis 35
- 150 - January 1, 1999 at Marquette Cincinnati 61, Marquette 58
- 200 - February 16, 2001 at Charlotte Cincinnati 73, Charlotte 50
- 250 - February 21, 2003 vs. DePaul Cincinnati 71, DePaul 67 OT

Awards & Honors

Postseason appearances: 9

NCAA Tournament (5)

- 1984-85 (regional) *
- 1985-86 (Final Four) *
- 1988-89 (regional)
- 1998-99 (sub-regional)
- 2001-02 (second round)
- 2002-03 (sub-regional)

Women's National Invitation Tournament (3)

- 1997-98
- 1999-00
- 2000-01

* - at Capital University

Coach of the Year Honors: 8

- Ohio Athletic Conference - 1985, 1986
- Converse Division III District - 1985, 1986
- Ohio Intercollegiate Basketball Coaches Association - 1985
- Metro Conference - 1987-88
- Conference USA - 1998-99
- Ohio Coach of the Year - 2001-02

Conference Titles: 3

- Ohio Athletic Conference, 1984-85
- Ohio Athletic Conference, 1985-86
- Conference USA, 1998-99

Conference Tournament Titles: 1

- Conference USA, 2001-02



Dawn Hoosier

Associate Head Coach

9th year • Cincinnati '95

Dawn Hoosier is in her second year as associate head coach after seven seasons as assistant coach for the Bearcats, and 15 as part of the program. True to her alma mater, Hoosier was a four-year letterwinner for Cincinnati before entering the coaching ranks.

Having played many roles during her association with the game, Hoosier can relate to just about every member of the team — coaches, players and even the support staff.

Hoosier devotes countless hours to the program on and off the court. In addition to spearheading UC's recruiting efforts, she is responsible for game scheduling and equipment.

While heading the recruiting efforts for the

first time, Hoosier has been an integral part of the recruiting team that has produced three top 25 recruiting classes.

Hoosier is aware of the sense of urgency to win placed on every basketball program and the unforgiving hours put into a season. She understands the importance of getting things done and correctly, and she loves it.

In her ninth season on the bench, Hoosier has developed into one of the best X and O coaches around. Her application of strategies, understanding of fundamentals and attention to detail make her an asset.

Such dedication to the mental side of the sport often gives Hoosier a hard-nosed, all business persona that is not found in the young coach. Instead, her student-athletes look to her when they need help. Confidence and respect run high between Hoosier and her players. The Bearcats count on her to give them the edge over their opponents.

Getting the edge on opponents is where Hoosier excels. As Cincinnati's primary scout, her competitive nature swells when the schedule is finished and she can start collecting every

film, statistic, innuendo or play on the enemy. Her scouting reports echo anything and everything you could want to know about a particular player. Hoosier spends countless hours with her stacked VCR's scrutinizing and itemizing every play.

Some say Hoosier is a mirror image of head coach Laurie Pirtle. Granted, she has learned most of her basketball knowledge from her college coach, but Hoosier has some ideas of her own. She watches, listens, learns and soaks in everything and files it all away for the future.

Hoosier's quest to make the UC program successful takes on many other forms. In addition to working with the guards, Hoosier is also the director of the Laurie Pirtle Summer Basketball Camp. She has improved the camp three-fold since taking it over eight years ago. Hoosier has seen the team camp grow from three squads to 50 during her tenure.

The Cincinnati native earned four letters with the Bearcats from 1989-93. She earned her degree in health education at UC in 1995. Hoosier is a member of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association.



Michelle Clark

Assistant Coach

2nd year • Western Kentucky '90

A native of Louisville, Ky., Clark earned Kentucky high school state player of the year honors in 1986 while playing at Atherton High. Over the next four years, the 6-2 center helped the Paul Sanderford-coached Western Kentucky teams make four straight appearances in the NCAA tournament and win two Sun Belt Conference titles. She finished as the school's tenth-leading rebounder.

Clark rejoined Sanderford, who was head coach at Nebraska, in 1998 as administrative assistant and video coordinator. A year later she was promoted to assistant coach and almost immediately earned high marks for her efforts as a recruiter. Her excellent communications skills and high quality of basketball experience helped her efforts to attract quality prospects to the Nebraska program.

She also was responsible for individual

player development, scouting and academics during her three seasons as a Huskers aide.

Clark, 35, earned her bachelor's degree in recreation with a minor in child psychology from Western Kentucky in 1990 and completed her master's in educational administration at Nebraska in 2001.

Upon graduation from Western Kentucky, she spent eight years working within a recreational setting, five in Bowling Green, Ky. and three with the Louisville Metro Parks Department.

While in Louisville, Clark also served as head junior varsity coach and assistant varsity coach at DePont Manuel High for the 1994-95 season and played professionally with the Kentucky Marauders of the Women's Basketball Association in 1994-95.

Michelle Clark returned to her basketball roots last season when she joined the Cincinnati basketball staff.

Clark, who was named assistant coach in July 2002, tutors the Bearcat post players and helps coordinate the program's recruiting efforts. She excels in both areas, helping center Debbie Merrill earn all-America honors last year and assisting in the building of this year's excellent recruiting class.



Laura Wilder

Assistant Coach

2nd year • Cincinnati '02

Laura Wilder is in her second season as a Bearcat assistant coach after a concluding a stellar career at Cincinnati. She shares in advance scouting duties for UC and tutors the Bearcat post players.

Wilder was a four-year letterwinner for the Bearcats from 1999-2002. UC reached the postseason all four years of her career.

A two-time co-captain, Wilder finished her career with the fifth-most three-pointers in school history (67) and the fifth-best three-point shooting percentage (.319). She also played in 121 games, tied for third-best as a Bearcat.

Wilder's reputation as a player was as a tireless worker who did whatever it took to win. She led the team in rebounding as a sophomore and junior and played the first month of her senior season with a cast covering a broken

hand.

Her work ethic is what she tries to instill in the players she now coaches. After playing alongside Debbie Merrill as a senior, Wilder helped to improve the 2002 C-USA Freshman of the Year. Merrill was named honorable mention all-America after scoring and rebounding more last year and shooting a much better percentage. Wilder was also instrumental in Carolyn Alexander's switch from guard to post player. Alexander was second on the team in rebounding and fourth in scoring.

Wilder graduated from UC last year with a degree in communications.



Jolinda Miller

Director of Operations

3rd year • Cincinnati '98

Jolinda (Lewis) Miller is in her third season as director of operations for the women's basketball team.

In her role as an administrator, Miller is responsible for all the housing, financial aid, fundraising and community service issues of

the program. Her direct involvement with the program as a four-year starter from 1994-98 made her the ideal choice for the job. She knows first hand how UC basketball operates and what it takes to be successful. The Bearcat record book is her proof.

A three-time all-conference selection as a guard, Miller still holds UC career records for 3-point field goals made (292) and attempted (783) and is second in 3-point percentage (.360) and free throw percentage (.835). Additionally, she holds four of the top seven spots on the single-season three-pointers made list.

Miller is one of three Bearcat players to lead the team in scoring as a freshman, placing her

with Hall of Famer Linda Norwell (1973-77) and current Bearcat Valerie King. She started 93 of 112 career games, averaging 13.6 points and 2.3 assists per game.

A native of Coshocton, Ohio, Miller is instrumental in fostering the women's basketball team's relationship with the YMCA which resulted in an attendance of 7,200 for last year's game versus Kentucky.

Miller earned her bachelor's degree in communications from Cincinnati in 1998 and will work towards earning her master's of education while at UC.

Miller and her husband, Britt, reside in Cincinnati.



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Micah Harvey

5-7 • Freshman • Guard • Sardinia, Ohio

2002-03 (Freshman)

- Top sub in the backcourt, playing both guard positions.
- Only bench player to play in every game, averaging 13.8 minutes a contest.
- Seven points vs. DePaul in C-USA semifinals, including go-ahead three-pointer.

- Averaged 18.5 minutes per game over last five contests.
- Scored 10 points in eight minutes vs. Dayton (11/27/02) to spark key first-half run.
- Career high four rebounds with four points and three assists at East Carolina (2/9/03).
- Made the first five three-pointers of her career.
- Combined nine points and eight assists against Lafayette and Louisville.
- Six points and career-high seven assists against Middle Tennessee (1/30/02).
- Matched career-high with 10 points against Coastal Carolina to go with five assists.
- Averaged 7.8 points, 4.8 assists and just 1.0 turnover in four games from Dayton to Coastal Carolina.

High School

Four time All-League and All-County honoree at Eastern Brown High School, playing for Richard Kiser...ranked 126th overall by the *All-Star Girls Report*...averaged 24.7 points, 5.8 assists and 6.4 steals per game as a senior...earned first team all-district honors as a junior and senior, second team all-district accolades as a sophomore and and third team all-district as a freshman...earned co-player of the year honors as a senior as well as district player of the year... four-time all league honoree...selected to compete in the Ohio/Kentucky and North/South All-Star game ... holds the Eastern Brown High School scoring record with 1,905 points... prep team went 99-6 during her four years, winning the league title all four years...also participated in volleyball, lettering three years.

2002-03 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Min	Total FG-A	3-Pt FG-A	FT-A	Reb O-T	Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	PF	Pts
at Mississippi St.	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Dayton	12	4-5	1-1	1-1	0-1	3	1	0	0	0	10
M. Tennessee St.	21	1-2	1-1	3-4	0-2	7	1	0	2	0	6
at E. Kentucky	13	2-4	1-1	0-0	1-1	4	2	0	0	0	5
Coastal Carolina	25	3-4	2-2	2-2	1-2	5	0	0	0	1	10
at Nebraska	11	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rice	16	1-5	0-0	0-0	1-3	1	2	0	0	0	2
Bowling Green	21	1-2	1-2	1-2	0-2	5	3	0	1	1	4
UL Lafayette	16	1-7	1-6	0-0	1-1	3	1	0	1	1	3
Xavier	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Kentucky	16	2-5	1-3	1-1	0-1	0	0	0	0	2	6
Toledo	8	0-3	0-2	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lafayette	20	1-4	0-2	2-3	1-1	4	2	0	1	1	4
Louisville	22	2-5	1-2	0-3	0-3	4	4	0	1	2	5
TCU	13	0-3	0-1	2-4	3-3	2	0	0	0	1	2
Houston	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0
at South Florida	11	1-3	1-2	0-0	2-3	1	1	0	1	0	3
at UAB	8	2-2	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	1	0	1	0	4
Southern Miss	11	0-3	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	3	0	1	0	0
Tulane	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Charlotte	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0	1	0
at East Carolina	19	2-6	0-1	0-0	0-4	3	2	0	0	1	4
at Louisville	15	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-1	1	3	0	2	1	0
DePaul	17	0-3	0-2	3-5	0-0	3	0	0	1	1	3
Marquette	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	2	0	0	0	0
at Memphis	17	2-7	0-3	2-3	2-2	1	3	0	1	0	6
at Saint Louis	24	1-4	0-3	0-0	0-1	1	1	0	0	2	2
vs. Southern Miss	12	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	1	0	0	2	0
vs. DePaul	21	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-2	4	1	0	0	1	2
vs. TCU	24	3-10	1-4	0-0	0-2	2	0	0	0	1	7
Arkansas	13	1-2	0-1	0-2	0-1	2	0	0	0	0	2

*denotes games started

Career Highs

Points 10	Two Opponents	FTA 5	DePaul (2/21/03)
FG 4	Dayton (11/27/02)	Rebounds 4	East Carolina (2/9/03)
FGA 10	TCU (3/9/03)	Assists 7	M. Tennessee (11/30/02)
3FG 2	Coastal Carolina (12/7/02)	Steals 2	Two Opponents
3FGA 6	UL Lafayette (12/22/02)	Blocks 0	
FT 3	Two Opponents		

Personal

Born June 17, 1983...daughter of Mike and the late Denise Harvey...has two sisters...was a member of the National Honor Society...was also a junior class officer...aspires to become a teacher... education major.

Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FTM-FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Stl	Blk	TO	Pts	Avg
2002-03	31-0	428	31-98	.316	11-46	.239	17-30	.567	44	1.4	61	2.0	13	0	38	90	2.9
Career	31-0	428	31-98	.316	11-46	.239	17-30	.567	44	1.4	61	2.0	13	0	38	90	2.9



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Valerie King

5-10 • Senior • Guard • Washington Court House, Ohio
 2002 All-American • 2002 & 2003 All-Conference USA

2002-03 (Junior)

- First team C-USA for the second-straight year.
- Second on the team and sixth in C-USA averaging 16.4 points per game.
- 15.0 points per game with 11 three-pointers to earn third-straight C-USA All-Tournament

honor.

- Preseason all-C-USA and one of the top five wings in the nation as selected by ESPN.com.
- 1,661 career points is seventh in UC history and 10th in C-USA. Career scoring average of 17.5 points per game is third best in school annals.
- The first player in school and league history to compile 200 made three-pointers and 300 made foul shots.
- Tied school and league record by hitting 11-of-11 free throws in win at UAB (1/26/03), starting a streak of 21 consecutive free throws made.
- Scored 16 of UC's final 19 points against UAB.
- 25 points on 5-of-9 treys in win over Houston (1/19/03).
- Set a school-record with eight three-pointers against Coastal Carolina (12/7/02) on her way to 26 points.
- Poured in 30 points, on 11-of-22 shooting (6-of-12 3-pt), at Eastern Kentucky (12/5/02).
- UC's career leader in three-point shooting percentage (.394) and free throw percentage (.874).

2001-02 (Sophomore)

- Earned Honorable Mention All-America honors by the *Basketball Times*.
- First Team All-Conference USA.
- Set a school and C-USA record with 101 three-pointers.
- Winner of Ed Steitz Award, given to the top three-point shooter in the nation by the Basketball Hall of Fame.
- Ranked fifth in the nation in free-throw percentage (.892), 24th in scoring (19.8), second in three-point field-goals made (101) and eighth in three-point percentage (.430).
- Averaged 26.6 points, hit 13 three pointers and went 21-of-23 from the free-throw line to earn her second consecutive C-USA tournament MVP award.
- Led Conference USA in three-pointers made with 3.3 a game.
- Scored a career-high 39 points, with a school-record tying six three pointers, against Butler on Dec. 22.

2000-01 (Freshman)

- Team's leading scorer (16.3 ppg), ranking seventh in Conference USA.
- Named to the C-USA All-Freshman squad.

2002-03 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Min	Total FG-A	3-Pt FG-A	FT-A	Reb O-T	Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	PF	Pts
at Mississippi St.	*37	8-12	5-8	6-6	0-2	2	3	0	2	3	27
Dayton	*37	7-18	3-8	2-2	0-1	2	1	0	1	1	19
M. Tennessee St.	*39	7-14	5-8	3-4	0-2	2	2	0	1	0	22
at E. Kentucky	*40	11-22	6-12	2-2	0-0	0	2	0	1	0	30
Coastal Carolina	*20	9-13	8-11	0-0	0-1	1	1	0	0	3	26
at Nebraska	*34	0-14	0-7	3-4	1-2	2	1	0	0	1	3
Rice	*35	7-16	2-8	6-8	3-13	1	1	0	0	2	22
Bowling Green	*29	3-12	2-8	6-6	0-2	1	1	1	0	3	14
UL Lafayette	*35	5-11	1-6	2-2	0-3	1	2	0	0	1	13
Xavier	*40	6-18	2-9	2-2	0-1	2	3	0	1	0	16
at Kentucky	*39	5-15	2-7	1-2	0-2	1	0	0	1	1	13
Toledo	*35	5-18	3-11	0-0	1-1	0	4	0	2	1	13
Lafayette	*23	8-18	5-13	1-1	1-2	1	2	0	0	0	22
Louisville	*38	3-6	2-3	2-2	1-5	0	2	0	0	1	10
TCU	*40	4-13	2-7	8-9	0-4	4	3	0	0	1	18
Houston	*40	9-14	5-9	2-2	0-0	3	1	0	0	0	25
at South Florida	*31	6-11	4-6	3-4	1-6	1	6	0	0	1	19
at UAB	*38	4-17	1-8	11-11	2-3	1	2	0	0	0	20
Southern Miss	*34	4-11	2-5	5-5	0-5	1	1	0	1	2	15
Tulane	*40	3-12	3-6	0-0	1-3	2	5	0	1	1	9
at Charlotte	*35	3-10	3-7	3-4	1-2	1	3	0	0	2	12
at East Carolina	*36	4-11	2-7	0-0	1-2	4	1	0	0	2	10
at Louisville	*47	2-11	1-8	2-6	0-1	0	1	1	0	2	7
DePaul	*45	5-11	1-6	0-0	1-3	1	2	0	0	1	11
Marquette	*36	4-10	2-8	5-6	0-3	1	1	0	1	2	15
at Memphis	*32	4-9	2-4	4-4	1-3	1	3	0	1	2	14
at Saint Louis	*38	5-17	4-10	0-0	1-4	2	4	0	0	2	14
vs. Southern Miss	*36	6-16	5-13	2-2	0-4	1	1	1	1	0	19
vs. DePaul	*37	4-12	2-7	2-2	0-2	3	2	0	1	2	12
vs. TCU	*44	7-17	4-11	6-6	0-2	3	0	0	1	3	24
Arkansas	*38	5-7	3-4	0-0	1-4	2	3	0	0	2	13

*denotes games started

Career Highs

Points 39	Butler (12/22/01)	FTA 12	Multiple Opponents
FG 13	Butler (12/22/01)	Rebounds .. 13	Rice (12/19/02)
FGA 25	Houston (1/20/02)	Assists 8	St. Bonaventure (11/17/00)
3FG 8	Coastal Carolina (12/7/02)	Steals 4	Multiple Opponents
3FGA 17	Houston (1/20/02)	Blocks 2	Sacred Heart (11/18/01)
FT 11	Two Opponents		

- Averaged 20.8 points, made 14 treys and went 13-for-14 from the free throw line during the C-USA tournament to earn MVP honors, becoming the first MVP chosen from the runner-up team.

High School

Two-time conference player of the year and first team all-Ohio selection at Washington Court House High, under Greg Phipps ... averaged 27.5 points, 4.5 assists and 3.7 rebounds while helping her school to a 19-5 record...ranked 98th in the nation, and 19th of 214 guard prospects by the *All Star Girls Report* ... selected as the MVP of the North/South All-Star game ... Division II All Southeast Player of the Year.

Personal

Born Feb. 23, 1982...daughter of Jeff and Sandi King...has an older sister, Bethany, and a younger brother, Michael...wears her dad's high school jersey number...majoring in communications.

Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FTM-FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Stl	Blk	TO	Pts	Avg
2000-01	32-31	988	167-423	.395	62-168	.369	124-145	.855	73	2.3	55	1.7	22	2	79	520	16.3
2001-02	32-32	1053	196-459	.427	101-235	.430	141-158	.892	73	2.3	50	1.6	33	7	81	634	19.8
2002-03	31-31	1127	163-416	.392	92-245	.376	89-102	.873	88	2.8	47	1.5	15	3	64	507	16.4
Career	95-94	3168	526-1298	.405	255-648	.394	354-405	.874	234	2.5	152	1.6	70	12	224	1661	17.5



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Leslie Knoch

5-6 • Sophomore • Guard • Whipple, Ohio

2002-03 (Redshirt Freshman)

• A versatile guard who has good court awareness and vision and runs the floor well.

• Missed first 11 games with a stress fracture in her left leg.

• Two points, two rebounds and two assists in 17 minutes vs. Lafayette (1/6/03).

- Three points and two rebounds at South Florida (1/24/03).

2001-02 (Freshman)

• Earned a medical redshirt after missing 28 games with a stress fracture in her left leg.

• Had also been sidelined with a broken hand.

• Scored six points, pulled down four rebounds and had two steals in 23 minutes of action against Robert Morris.

• Had an assist in nine minutes off the bench against Dayton.

High School

Three-time first team all-league selection at Fort Frye High, playing for Ralph Kaufman...ranked 36th among point guards and 196th overall by the *All Star Girls Report*...averaged 15.5 points, 5.9 assists and 3.6 steals per game as a senior...earned first team all-district honors as a junior and senior and special mention all-district accolades as a freshman and sophomore...named to the 2000 *Ohio Girls Basketball Magazine* Dream Team ...selected to compete in the Ohio/Kentucky and North/South All-Star game...prep team went 88-13 during her four years, winning the league title all four years and the district championship the last three seasons...team also was regional runner-ups the last two years and a semi-finalist her sophomore year...participated in AAU basketball, winning the state title and ranking as high as third in the nation during the 2000 season ...member of National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Thespian Society.

Personal

Born July 17, 1983...daughter of Brian and Rhonda Knoch...has one older sister, Lana...named to C-USA Commissioner's Honor Roll for cumulative GPA over 3.0...undecided on a major.

2002-03 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Min	Total FG-A	3-Pt FG-A	FT-A	Reb O-T	Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	PF	Pts
at Mississippi St.	dnp										
Dayton	dnp										
M. Tennessee St.	dnp										
at E. Kentucky	dnp										
Coastal Carolina	dnp										
at Nebraska	dnp										
Rice	dnp										
Bowling Green	dnp										
UL Lafayette	dnp										
Xavier	dnp										
at Kentucky	dnp										
Toledo	5	0-2	0-2	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lafayette	17	1-5	0-2	0-0	1-2	2	0	0	0	0	2
Louisville	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0	0	0	0
TCU	dnp										
Houston	dnp										
at South Florida	5	1-1	1-1	0-0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	3
at UAB	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Southern Miss	6	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Tulane	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Charlotte	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at East Carolina	2	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Louisville	dnp										
DePaul	dnp										
Marquette	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Memphis	8	1-2	1-2	0-2	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	3
at Saint Louis	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Southern Miss	3	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1
vs. DePaul	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0
vs. TCU	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas	dnp										

*denotes games started

Career Highs

Points 6	Robert Morris (11/20/01)	FTA 2	Two Opponents
FG 2	Robert Morris (11/20/01)	Rebounds 4	Robert Morris (11/20/01)
FGA 6	Robert Morris (11/20/01)	Assists 2	Two Opponents
3FG 2	Robert Morris (11/20/01)	Steals 2	Robert Morris (11/20/01)
3FGA 5	Robert Morris (11/20/01)	Blocks 0	
FT 1	Southern Miss (3/7/03)		

Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FTM-FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Stl	Blk	TO	Pts	Avg
2001-02	4-0	49	3-13	.231	3-12	.250	0-0	.000	5	1.3	5	1.3	3	0	6	9	2.3
2002-03	15-0	61	4-14	.286	3-10	.300	1-4	.250	7	0.5	4	0.3	0	0	2	12	0.8
Career	19-0	110	7-27	.259	6-22	.273	1-4	.250	12	0.6	9	0.5	3	0	8	21	1.1



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Debbie Merrill

6-3 • Junior • Center/Forward • Cumberland City, Tenn.
2003 All-American • 2002 & 2003 All-Conference USA

2002-03 (Sophomore)

- Honorable mention Kodak/WBCA All-American and first team All-Conference USA.
- Team co-captain as a sophomore.
- Led team and was second in C-USA, scoring 18.0 points per game, and led the team and was sixth in

the league in rebounding (8.5).

- Has scored in double figures in 53 of 63 career games, including all 31 last year, with 22 double-doubles.
- Averaged 14.7 points and 8.7 rebounds to earn second-straight C-USA All-Tourney honors.
- Averaged 19.5 points and 9.7 rebounds in C-USA play, with double-doubles in 10 of the last 16 contests.
- C-USA Player of the Week after 27 points, nine rebounds and five assists in win over DePaul (2/21/03).
- Season-high 28 points with 10 rebounds in win at ECU (2/9/03).
- Fifth in UC history in career scoring average (16.3), fourth in rebounding average (8.2) and third in shooting percentage (.504).
- Handed out a career-best seven assists against Southern Miss (1/31/03) with 11 points and 12 rebounds.
- C-USA co-Player of the Week (Jan. 13-19) after scoring 20 points on 8-of-10 shooting against TCU (1/17/03) and putting up 24 points and 15 rebounds in win over Houston (1/19/03).
- 14 points and nine rebounds, all offensive, in win over Xavier (12/28/02).
- Blocked five shots against Dayton (11/27/02) while scoring 22 points on 10-of-12 shooting with 11 rebounds.

2001-02 (Freshman)

- *Women's Basketball News Service* Third Team Freshman All-American.
- Named the Conference USA Freshman of the Year as well as all-conference second team and all-freshmen team.
- Led the team in rebounding (7.8) and was second in scoring (14.7).
- Scored a career-high 31 points against Louisville in the C-USA Tourney quarterfinals.
- Had a career-high 19 rebounds and 26 points against DePaul. The 19 rebounds equalled the most by a C-USA player all season.
- Scored in double figures in 23 of 30 games and had 10 double-figure rebounding games.
- Scored 16 points with 12 rebounds against St. Peter's in the NCAA Tourney to record her 10th career double-double.
- Was named the Conference USA Player of the Week (Feb. 18) for averaging 16.5 points and 16 rebounds vs. Marquette and DePaul.

2002-03 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Min	Total		3-Pt		Reb		Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	PF	Pts
		FG-A	Pct	FG-A	Pct	O-T	Def						
at Mississippi St.	*31	9-13	0-0	4-4	0-4	1	6	1	2	4	22		
Dayton	*36	10-12	0-0	2-3	4-11	2	2	5	0	2	22		
M. Tennessee St.	*27	6-12	0-0	7-8	2-5	2	2	0	1	4	19		
at E. Kentucky	*23	7-14	0-0	2-6	5-6	1	3	0	1	5	16		
Coastal Carolina	*22	8-13	0-0	7-7	4-10	2	3	0	3	3	23		
at Nebraska	*29	8-16	0-1	2-8	3-7	0	5	0	3	4	18		
Rice	*18	3-10	0-1	7-12	3-6	0	0	0	0	4	13		
Bowling Green	*22	8-15	0-0	4-7	3-6	1	1	0	0	1	20		
UL Lafayette	*37	7-13	0-0	2-2	3-6	4	2	0	1	1	16		
Xavier	*31	6-17	0-0	2-4	9-9	0	0	0	1	2	14		
at Kentucky	*36	5-10	0-0	4-4	4-6	5	6	1	0	3	14		
Toledo	*37	5-11	0-1	4-6	1-8	4	3	1	2	4	14		
Lafayette	*20	7-10	0-0	0-2	1-5	1	2	1	0	3	14		
Louisville	*28	7-14	0-0	5-8	6-8	0	3	0	1	3	19		
TCU	*21	8-10	0-0	4-5	2-5	1	0	0	2	5	20		
Houston	*36	9-14	0-0	6-8	3-15	1	4	1	1	2	24		
at South Florida	*26	9-16	0-1	5-9	4-13	1	3	0	1	3	23		
at UAB	*30	6-10	0-0	5-5	4-6	1	7	0	1	5	17		
Southern Miss	*35	4-9	0-0	3-8	3-12	7	3	0	1	3	11		
Tulane	*40	8-17	0-0	2-3	2-13	0	2	0	2	2	18		
at Charlotte	*23	3-7	0-0	6-10	2-4	0	3	0	1	5	12		
at East Carolina	*37	13-22	0-0	2-3	5-10	1	1	0	2	3	28		
at Louisville	*47	7-19	0-1	6-7	6-10	5	1	4	1	3	20		
DePaul	*41	10-20	0-0	7-10	3-9	5	1	0	1	4	27		
Marquette	*33	6-14	0-0	6-7	3-7	1	3	0	3	3	18		
at Memphis	*36	6-15	0-0	5-8	6-13	3	5	1	4	3	17		
at Saint Louis	*39	9-16	0-1	1-5	6-11	1	1	0	0	4	19		
vs. Southern Miss	*28	4-14	0-0	2-4	3-13	4	2	0	1	4	10		
vs. DePaul	*25	6-13	0-0	6-8	3-6	3	1	1	0	2	18		
vs. TCU	*29	6-13	0-0	4-4	1-7	0	2	1	0	4	16		
Arkansas	*36	5-16	0-0	6-10	4-12	2	2	0	0	3	16		

*denotes games started

Career Highs

Points 31	Louisville (3/2/02)	FTA 13	DePaul (2/17/02)
FG 13	Two Opponents	Rebounds .. 19	DePaul (2/17/02)
FGA 27	Syracuse (1/8/02)	Assists 7	Southern Miss (1/31/03)
3FG 1	Multiple Opponents	Steals 4	Two Opponents
3FGA 3	Syracuse (1/8/02)	Blocks 5	Dayton (11/27/02)
FT 11	Louisville (3/2/02)		

High School

Named a *USA Today*, *Nike* and *Parade* All-American as a senior at Montgomery High, playing for LaDonna McClain... ranked No. 25 overall and fifth among centers in the nation by the *All-Star Girls Report* ... averaged 16.0 points and 9.0 rebounds per game as a senior...won 2000 Mid-State Player of the Year accolades and garnered first team all-state honors as a senior and second-team honors by the Associated Press... candidate for Ms. Basketball accolades for the state of Tennessee as a senior...helped team win three straight district championships.

Personal

Born Jan. 6, 1983...daughter of William Merrill and Brenda Scarborough...has a younger brother and sister...aspires to become a veterinarian...enjoys riding horses and watching cartoons...undecided on a major.

Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FTM-FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Stl	Blk	TO	Pts	Avg
2001-02	32-31	816	178-354	.503	5-25	.200	108-157	.688	251	7.8	35	1.1	39	21	70	469	14.7
2002-03	31-31	959	215-425	.506	0-6	.000	128-195	.656	263	8.5	59	1.9	36	17	79	558	18.0
Career	63-62	1775	393-779	.504	5-31	.161	236-352	.670	514	8.2	94	1.5	75	38	149	1027	16.3



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Sara Piepho

5-6 • Junior • Guard • Howell, Mich.

2002-03 (Sophomore)

- Smart, determined player who can play either as a point or shooting guard.
- Posted a pair of two-assist games against Coastal Carolina and Bowling Green.
- Inducted into UC Legion of Excellence in October, 2002 for having

highest GPA on squad.

2001-02 (Freshman)

- Scored three points against Troy State in the first round of the Bearcat Invitational.
- Scored three points against Saint Francis.
- Had two assists in 17 minutes of action in her UC debut against Robert Morris.

High School

Three-time all-state and county choice at Howell High, playing for her father, Lee Piepho...also was a four-time all-league selection...county player of the year and unanimous league player of the year as a senior after coming back to play following ACL injuries to both knees...ranked 85th among point guard prospects and was an honorable mention Top 250 choice by the *All Star Girls Report*...averaged a league-best 15.6 points, 5.3 assists and 5.8 steals her senior year...ranked fourth in the state in 3-pointers (52) her senior campaign...preseason top five all-regional choice by the *Ann Arbor News* and was ranked in the Preseason Top 25 for the State of Michigan by both the *Detroit Free Press* and *Detroit News*...garnered her team's most dedicated award while being named a co-MVP as a senior...inducted into Howell's Hall of Fame and was invited to play in the 2001 Basketball Coaches of Michigan Association All-Star game as well as the Adidas Deep South Classic.

Personal

Born March 3, 1983...daughter of Lee and Marjie Piepho...has two brothers, Tracy and Jason ...volunteered time mentoring and assisting boy

2002-03 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Min	Total	3-Pt	Reb		Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	PF	Pts
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-T						
at Mississippi St.		dnp									
Dayton	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
M. Tennessee St.	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at E. Kentucky		dnp									
Coastal Carolina	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	0
at Nebraska		dnp									
Rice	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bowling Green	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	0
UL Lafayette		dnp									
Xavier		dnp									
at Kentucky		dnp									
Toledo		dnp									
Lafayette	4	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Louisville		dnp									
TCU		dnp									
Houston		dnp									
at South Florida	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
at UAB		dnp									
Southern Miss	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tulane		dnp									
at Charlotte		dnp									
at East Carolina		dnp									
at Louisville		dnp									
DePaul		dnp									
Marquette		dnp									
at Memphis	1	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0
at Saint Louis		dnp									
vs. Southern Miss	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. DePaul	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. TCU		dnp									
Arkansas		dnp									

*denotes games started

Career Highs

Points 3	Multiple Opponents	FTA 2	Memphis (2/28/03)
FG 1	Multiple Opponents	Rebounds 1	Multiple opponents
FGA 2	Multiple Opponents	Assists 2	Multiple opponents
3FG 1	Multiple Opponents	Steals 0	
3FGA 2	Troy State (12/15/01)	Blocks 0	
FT 0			

and girl athletes with ACL injuries...has assisted at basketball camps, working high school camps and youth basketball camps for the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Shock...named to C-USA Commissioner's Honor Roll for cumulative GPA over 3.0 and a Bearcat Scholar (GPA 3.0 or above) all three quarters...health promotion major.

Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FTM-FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Stl	Blk	TO	Pts	Avg
2001-02	13-0	72	2-7	.286	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	2	0.2	6	0.5	0	0	8	6	0.5
2002-03	11-0	24	1-2	.500	0-1	.000	0-2	.000	1	0.1	5	0.5	0	0	1	2	0.2
Career	24-0	96	3-9	.333	2-6	.333	0-2	.000	3	0.1	11	0.5	0	0	9	8	0.3



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Anne Stephens

6-4 • Sophomore • Center • Mineral Wells, W. Va.

2002-03 (Freshman)

- The tallest player in UC history.
- 20-of-30 from the field last year (.667).
- 10 points and three rebounds vs. Lafayette (1/4/03).
- 11 points and six rebounds at Eastern Kentucky (12/5/02).
- 10 points on 5-for-5 shooting

vs. Bowling Green (12/21/02).

- Two blocked shots at Nebraska (12/15/02).

High School

First-team all-state honoree as a senior at Parkersburg South High, playing for Steve Wiseman...*Parkersburg News* and *Sentinel*/Player of the Year as a senior...ranked the 61st best center in the country by the *All Star Girls Report*...averaged 21.4 points and 14.3 rebounds for her career ...went over the 1,000-point mark as a senior and set a school record for the most points scored in a single game (45)...was an All Mid-Ohio Valley first-team selection as a junior...participated in the Battle Against Cystic Fibrosis West Virginia/Ohio All-Star Game... was named the game's MVP... prep team went 54-20 during her four years... lettered three times in volleyball.

Personal

Born April 7, 1984...daughter of Scott and Linda Stephens...has two sisters, Jill and Kim....had a 4.0 GPA as a prep and was named her class valedictorian ...was the news editor of her high school newspaper... was a counselor for a summer basketball camp.... father, Scott, played basketball at Pittsburgh University from 1974-76... undecided on a major.

2002-03 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Min	Total	3-Pt	Reb		Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	PF	Pts
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-T						
at Mississippi St.	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	0	1	0
Dayton	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
M. Tennessee St.	1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at E. Kentucky	17	5-8	0-0	1-2	4-6	0	0	0	0	2	11
Coastal Carolina	11	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	3	4
at Nebraska	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	0	2	1	3	0
Rice	16	2-4	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	1	3	4
Bowling Green	12	5-5	0-0	0-0	1-3	0	1	0	0	1	10
UL Lafayette	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Xavier	dnp										
at Kentucky	10	1-1	0-0	0-4	1-2	1	0	1	0	0	2
Toledo	dnp										
Lafayette	21	4-7	0-0	2-2	2-3	1	1	0	0	4	10
Louisville	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TCU	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Houston	dnp										
at South Florida	2	0-0	0-0	1-2	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	1
at UAB	dnp										
Southern Miss	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Tulane	dnp										
at Charlotte	dnp										
at East Carolina	dnp										
at Louisville	dnp										
DePaul	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marquette	dnp										
at Memphis	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Saint Louis	dnp										
vs. Southern Miss	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. DePaul	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. TCU	dnp										
Arkansas	dnp										

*denotes games started

Career Highs

Points 11	E. Kentucky (12/5/02)	FTA 4	Kentucky (12/31/02)
FG 5	Two opponents	Rebounds 6	E. Kentucky (12/5/02)
FGA 8	E. Kentucky (12/5/02)	Assists 1	Lafayette (1/6/03)
3FG 0		Steals 1	Three Opponents
3FGA 0		Blocks 2	Nebraska (12/15/02)
FT 2	Lafayette (1/6/03)		

Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FTM-FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Stl	Blk	TO	Pts	Avg
2002-03	19-0	119	20-30	.667	0-0	—	4-10	.400	20	1.1	2	0.1	3	3	5	44	2.3
Career	19-0	119	20-30	.667	0-0	—	4-10	.400	20	1.1	2	0.1	3	3	5	44	2.3



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Edwina Williams

6-3 • Sophomore • Center • Maple Heights, Ohio

2002-03 (Freshman)

- Very athletic frontcourt player.
- Sat out 2001-02 to concentrate on academics.
- Picked up two points and one rebound vs. Coastal Carolina (12/7/02).

High School

Three-year starter at Regina High, coached by Pat Diulus...team recorded a 74-6 mark during her career, highlighted by two state titles and two regional second place finishes...named a honorable mention Top 100 center by the *All-Star Girls Report*...played AAU, earning MVP honors as the starting center her junior year.

Personal

Born April 20, 1982...daughter of Edwin Paris and Adriane Williams and Abraham and Lue Jessie Williams...has two brothers, Micah and Marcus...nickname is "E"...member of high school newspaper, yearbook and choir...aspires to become a social worker...criminal justice major.

2002-03 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Min	Total	3-Pt	Reb		Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	PF	Pts
		FG-A	FG-A	FT-A	O-T						
at Mississippi St.		dnp									
Dayton		dnp									
M. Tennessee St.		dnp									
at E. Kentucky		dnp									
Coastal Carolina at Nebraska	3	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Rice		dnp									
Bowling Green	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0
UL Lafayette		dnp									
Xavier		dnp									
at Kentucky		dnp									
Toledo		dnp									
Lafayette		dnp									
Louisville		dnp									
TCU		dnp									
Houston		dnp									
at South Florida		dnp									
at UAB		dnp									
Southern Miss		dnp									
Tulane		dnp									
at Charlotte		dnp									
at East Carolina		dnp									
at Louisville		dnp									
DePaul		dnp									
Marquette		dnp									
at Memphis		dnp									
at Saint Louis		dnp									
vs. Southern Miss		dnp									
vs. DePaul		dnp									
vs. TCU		dnp									
Arkansas		dnp									

*denotes games started

Career Highs

Points 2	Coastal Carolina (12/7/02)	FTA 0
FG 1	Coastal Carolina (12/7/02)	Rebounds 1
FGA 3	Coastal Carolina (12/7/02)	Assists 0
3FG 0		Steals 0
3FGA 0		Blocks 0
FT 0		

Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FTM-FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Stl	Blk	TO	Pts	Avg
2002-03	2-0	4	1-3	.333	0-0	—	0-0	—	1	0.5	0	0.0	0	0	0	2	1.0
Career	2-0	4	1-3	.333	0-0	—	0-0	—	1	0.5	0	0.0	0	0	0	2	1.0



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Brittani Young

5-11 • Senior • Forward • Pickerington, Ohio

2002-03 (Junior)

- A great defender who knows and acts on the fundamentals. She adapts well to the opposition on both the offensive and defensive ends of the court.
- Started the last 73 games, with the team going 57-16 in her starts.
- Matched career-high with five

assists in consecutive games vs. Marquette and Memphis.

- Eight points, five assists and three rebounds vs. Marquette (2/23/03).
- Seven points (3-of-4 shooting), including first three-pointer of the season, at Charlotte (2/7/03).
- Four points, six rebounds and career-high five assists in win over Houston (1/19/03).
- Eight points (4-of-8 shooting) and five rebounds vs. Toledo (1/6/03).
- Tied a career-high with nine rebounds against Xavier.
- Season-high 10 points vs. Bowling Green (12/21/02).
- Eight points and six boards at Eastern Kentucky (12/5/02).

2001-02 (Sophomore)

- Won the team's Best Defender and Study Table awards.
- Became a more consistent part of the offense, averaging 7.0 points over the final 15 games, compared to 3.5 over the first 17 games.
- Second on team with .830 free-throw percentage (44-of-53).
- Had a season-high 16 points with nine rebounds against Houston in the semifinals of the C-USA Tournament.
- Narrowly missed her first career double-double against Louisville, scoring 12 points and grabbing nine rebounds.
- Posted 12 points with five rebounds and five assists against South Florida.
- Had seven rebounds with three points against TCU on Jan. 18.

2000-01 (Freshman)

- Grew from the role of trusted backup to starter, playing in all 32 games and starting the last 10.
- Increased her playing time during the season, from 15.4 over the first 11 games to 23.3 minutes over the last 21.
- Shot .740 from the free throw line (37-of-50), ranking fourth on the team.
- Had five points and three rebounds in the WNIT first round vs. Ohio State and averaged 3.3 points and 2.8 rebounds during C-USA Tournament.
- Made her first collegiate start vs. DePaul, scoring a career-high 17 points on 4-of-9 from the field and 8-of-13 from the free throw line in a career-high 35 minutes.
- Scored 10 points on 4-of-7 shooting from the field in win over South Florida.

Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FTM-FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	Ast	Avg	Stl	Blk	TO	Pts	Avg
2000-01	32-10	658	30-93	.323	5-25	.200	37-50	.740	60	1.9	27	0.8	11	3	30	102	3.2
2001-02	32-32	965	58-152	.382	4-14	.286	44-53	.830	123	3.8	63	2.0	19	2	48	164	5.1
2002-03	31-31	895	43-117	.368	1-9	.111	31-52	.596	131	4.2	65	2.1	19	5	36	118	3.8
Career	95-73	2518	131-362	.362	10-48	.208	112-155	.723	314	3.3	157	1.7	49	10	114	384	4.0

2002-03 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	Min	Total FG-A	3-Pt FG-A	FT-A	Reb O-T	Ast	TO	Blk	Stl	PF	Pts
at Mississippi St.	*37	1-2	0-0	1-2	1-2	2	1	0	0	2	3
Dayton	*31	1-5	0-2	2-2	3-5	1	0	0	0	1	4
M. Tennessee St.	*18	0-3	0-0	5-6	1-1	1	1	0	0	0	5
at E. Kentucky	*27	2-4	0-0	4-4	3-6	2	2	0	2	3	8
Coastal Carolina	*24	1-3	0-0	0-0	3-4	3	0	1	1	0	2
at Nebraska	*29	2-5	0-0	1-2	2-5	0	0	1	1	2	5
Rice	*24	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	1	2	0
Bowling Green	*26	4-9	0-0	2-2	3-4	3	0	0	0	3	10
UL Lafayette	*24	2-6	0-0	0-0	1-3	3	0	1	1	1	4
Xavier	*37	3-7	0-0	0-0	3-9	1	0	0	0	3	6
at Kentucky	*24	2-4	0-0	0-0	1-3	3	2	0	1	1	4
Toledo	*31	4-8	0-0	0-1	3-5	2	0	0	0	2	8
Lafayette	*17	1-1	0-0	0-2	2-4	4	2	0	3	2	2
Louisville	*18	0-0	0-0	1-2	1-5	3	2	0	0	4	1
TCU	*30	0-4	0-0	1-2	2-7	2	4	0	0	4	1
Houston	*37	1-2	0-0	2-2	1-6	5	3	1	1	2	4
at South Florida	*30	2-4	0-0	4-4	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	8
at UAB	*32	0-2	0-0	2-2	0-5	2	1	0	1	2	2
Southern Miss	*28	2-3	0-0	0-4	0-2	0	1	0	2	4	4
Tulane	*40	0-5	0-0	0-0	1-6	2	1	0	0	5	0
at Charlotte	*35	3-4	1-2	0-0	1-3	1	2	0	2	2	7
at East Carolina	*23	2-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	2	0	1	2	4
at Louisville	*39	1-5	0-2	3-7	5-9	3	2	1	0	4	5
DePaul	*37	2-5	0-0	0-2	2-5	3	0	0	0	2	4
Marquette	*35	3-4	0-1	2-2	2-3	5	0	0	0	2	8
at Memphis	*27	1-3	0-1	0-1	2-4	5	3	0	1	4	2
at Saint Louis	*22	0-4	0-1	0-0	1-5	2	0	0	0	4	0
vs. Southern Miss	*32	1-4	0-0	0-1	2-5	1	1	0	0	3	2
vs. DePaul	*25	1-2	0-0	1-2	2-6	1	1	0	0	3	3
vs. TCU	*27	1-4	0-0	0-0	2-4	1	3	0	0	4	2
Arkansas	*29	0-1	0-0	0-0	2-2	1	1	0	1	3	0

*denotes games started

Career Highs

Points 17	DePaul (2/8/01)	FTA 13	DePaul (2/8/01)
FG 5	South Florida (1/27/02)	Rebounds 9	Multiple opponents
FGA 11	Houston (3/3/02)	Assists 5	Four Opponents
3FG 2	South Florida (1/7/01)	Steals 3	Lafayette (1/6/03)
3FGA 3	Multiple Opponents	Blocks 1	Multiple Opponents
FT 8	DePaul (2/8/01)		

- Earned the team's Best Defense Award.

High School

Garnered honorable mention all-state accolades at Pickerington High, playing for Dave Butcher ...guided team to both national and state titles as a junior and a second-place finish her senior year...team ranked as high as sixth in the nation by the Associated Press...averaged 10 points and seven rebounds her senior year...ranked among the top 150 high school prospects and 25th of 214 wing players by the *All Star Girls Report*...was named both the district and conference player of the year as a senior...received the NBA/WNBA Sportsmanship Award in 1999.

Personal

Born July 17, 1982...daughter of Kenneth and Sherri Young...has one brother, Darius...named *Who's Who in American High Schools*... aspires to be an orthopedic surgeon...psychology major.



2003-04 Newcomers

22 Crystal Ashley 6-1 • Jr. • F • Oakland, Calif.

Junior College: Honorable mention all-American at Cowley County Community College ... leading scorer for No. 21 Tigers, averaging 13.1 points and 6.0 rebounds per game651 shooting percentage was second in the nation ... Kansas Jayhawk Conference MVP and first team NJCAA all-region ... top 50 JUCO player as ranked by the *All-Star Girls Report* ... also owns school records in the 200-meter dash (26.69) and triple jump (35'0.25"). High School: Honorable mention all-metro by *San Francisco Examiner* while at Oakland Tech.

44 Treasure Humphries 5-7 • Fr. • G • Canton, Ohio

High School: All-state selection three times at Canton-McKinley High ... first team as a senior after averaging 24.4 points, 3.6 assists and 4.6 steals ... owns school record for career points scored ... averaged 22.3 points per game as a junior to earn second team honors ... one of top 60 point guards according to the *All-Star Girls Report*.

3 Bellva May 5-9 • Jr. • G • Orange, N.J.

Junior College: Named first team all-region and to the region all-tournament team after averaging 15.8 points, 4.4 assists and 3.9 rebounds at Louisburg College ... named Most Outstanding Offensive Player on the Lady Canes after leading them to a 25-5 record and eighth-place finish at the NJCAA National Championships ... top 40 JUCO player according to *All-Star Girls Report*. High School: Named conference co-player of the year as a junior and senior at Orange High.

14 Toni Slaughter 6-0 • Fr. • F • Shelbyville, Ky.

High School: Third team AP all-state as a senior after averaging 15.9 points and 7.9 rebounds per game for Shelby County High ... named to *Courier-Journal*/All-state team ... led Shelby County to consecutive region titles ... scored 1,699 career points with 782 rebounds ... named to Kentucky team to play in Kentucky-Indiana All-Star games ... ranked one of the top 60 wings by the *All-Star Girls Report* ... averaged 18.6 points and seven rebounds as a junior to earn honorable mention all-state honors ... team was 112-19 in her four years.

4 Ashlee Stevens 6-0 • Fr. • F • Columbus, Ohio

High School: Named first team all-state and Division II district player of the year after averaging 21.7 points per game as a senior at Beechcroft High ... one of the top 20 wings according to the *All-Star Girls Report* ... scored 19.2 points per game as a junior to earn third team all-state honors ... named all-city three times.

32 Karen Twehues 6-0 • Fr. • G • Minusio, Switz.

International: Youngest member of the Swiss National Senior Women's Team in 2001, making 42 percent of her three-pointers ... also a member of the national under-21 team in 2001 and under-19 team in 1999 ... averaged 18.7 points for Regazzi Star Gordola last season ... one of the top 50 players in her class according to the *All-Star Girls Report*. High School: Attended Tipp City (OH) High School in during the 1999-2000 year.



2002-03: Great Expectations

The 2002-03 Cincinnati Bearcats faced higher expectations than any UC team in history. They were following a team that set a school record with 27 wins, won UC's first Conference USA Tournament championship and won an NCAA Tournament game for the first time.

The expectation were not self-imposed. UC opened the season ranked 18th in the Associated Press poll and 22nd by the coaches', the first preseason rankings in school history.

The league coaches also expected much from the Bearcats, selecting them, along with TCU, to win the C-USA title.

UC's stars were also singled out. While four preseason publications had the Bearcats in the top 20, *Street & Smith's* named junior Valerie King and sophomore Debbie Merrill as honorable mention all-Americans. Additionally, ESPN.com selected King as one of the top five wing players in the nation.

The advantage to having so many expectations was that the squad looked very similar to the previous years'. The Bearcats returned all but three regulars, including over 74 percent of the points, assists, steals and blocked shots. The one area of concern was on the blocks, where all three of those lost regulars played. A third of the rebounding was gone from the previous year.

The answer was found in Carolyn Alexander, the top guard off the bench as a junior. The 5-10 senior made the switch to power forward in the preseason and responded, joining the other four returning starters in a lineup that almost

never changed.

Alexander averaged 11.1 points a game and 6.3 rebounds a game. She recorded the first five double-doubles of her career, including a 23-points, 10-rebound performance in the championship of the Bearcat Invitational to earn MVP honors.

The other Bearcat stars shone brightly last season also. King moved up into seventh on the school career scoring list with 1,661 points by averaging 16.4 a game and making 92 three pointers.

Merrill responded to her C-USA Freshman of the Year honor in 2002 by averaging 18.0 points and 8.5 rebounds a game, second and fifth in C-USA, respectively. She scored in double-figures in every game and produced 12 double-doubles en route to honorable mention all-America honors.

Senior point guard K.B. Sharp outdid them all, showing the league and the nation her value to the Bearcats. She became UC's all-time assist leader early in the season and went on to move into second in C-USA history with 623. She was third on the team in scoring (13.6) and rebounding (5.7) and led the league in assist-to-turnover ratio (3.17).

The trio combined to do something never done before, becoming he first three teammates to earn first team All-Conference USA honors.

Home Sweet Shoe

Since the Fifth Third Arena at Shoemaker Center became the home of UC basketball in 1989, the Bearcats have gone 129-68 (.655) on their home court. Over the past six years they have been nearly unbeatable at home, posting an 84-14 mark (.857). UC went 15-2 at home last season.

The Bearcats had their school-record 21-game home winning streak broken on Feb. 2 by Tulane. The streak broke the school mark for consecutive home victories of 15 set during the 1980-81 to 1981-82 seasons.

The success at home has resulted in the setting of home attendance records in each of the past two years. Last season UC averaged 1,443 fans per home game and 24,534 for the year, bettering the year old records of 882 per game and 14,109 total.

longest home winning streaks and a new standard for consecutive C-USA wins.

UC stumbled away from the Shoemaker Center, where six of its eight losses took place, including a regular season-ending defeat that cost the Bearcats a share of the league title.

King Leads Scoring Machine

The Bearcat offense opened the season ready to play. In the first five games, four of them wins, UC averaged 81 points a game and shot better than 50 percent in every contest.

King was the leader of the scoring spree, scoring 24.8 points a game and making 27-of-47 (.574) of her three-point attempts. She put 30 on the board against Eastern Kentucky, overshadowing Sharp becoming UC's all-time assist leader by making 6-of-12 three pointers to tie her own school record.

That proved to be small potatoes. King followed that performance with a not to be believed outing against Coastal Carolina. Limited to 20 minutes of playing time by foul trouble, King still found time to make a school-record eight three-pointers on just 11 attempts. She finished with 26 points as the Bearcats put 92 points on the board.

Bearcats Cool Off

If the Bearcats could not get any hotter in the first five games, they certainly could not get any colder in their next contest.

At Nebraska, UC managed just 55 points, shot .309 from the floor in the loss and was 1-of-17 from behind the arc, dropping a 65-55 decision.

The Nebraska game started a marked down-

Off to a Fast Start

Considering the accomplishments of Valerie King and K.B. Sharp, the fact that freshman Micah Harvey saw so much playing time in the backcourt is a testament to her abilities.

She showed those abilities right from the start, as she made the first five three-pointers of her career. In a four-game stretch early in the season she averaged 7.8 points and 4.8 assists.

The only reserve to play in every game, Harvey, came on strong in the C-USA Tournament, handing out four assists in the semi-finals and scoring seven points in the title game. She averaged over 18 minutes of playing time in the last six games.





turn in the Cincinnati offense, as it averaged 69.1 points over the next 10 games, including cracking 30 first half points just twice.

The Bearcats still went 8-2 over those 10 games thanks to their improving defense, which surrendered more than 65 points just once.

Record Streaks

UC went 15-1 at home in 2001-02, winning its last eight home games. The Bearcats went to work in 2002-03 to improve on that.

Cincinnati won its first four home games heading into the Bearcat Invitational. UC topped Bowling Green and UL Lafayette to run the home winning streak to 14 and stay undefeated in the seven-year history of the tournament.

A 15th-straight home win would tie the school record, but UC would have to topple crosstown rival Xavier to do it.

The Bearcats had won six-straight against the Musketeers, and XU came out strong, taking a six-point lead into halftime while holding UC to 26.5 percent shooting. The home team responded in the second half, scoring nine of the first 11 points of the final 20 minutes and going on to the 61-55 win, tying the home win-streak record.

UC proceeded to break the mark with a 64-57 win over Toledo and closed the preconference season with an 85-41 blow out of Lafayette.

On Fire is an Understatement

The Bearcats equalled a season-high with 48 first-half points against Houston on Jan. 11 despite posting a season-low two second-chance points for the game.

They did it by simply not missing. UC made its first nine shots of the game, including three Valerie King three-pointers, and 14 of its first 16. At halftime the Bearcats had made 20-of-26 shots from the field (.769).

They cooled off in the second half, but still finished with a season-best .617 shooting percentage.

The Conference USA season opened at home against rival Louisville and UC was in search of not just its 18th-straight home win, but also its 10th consecutive C-USA regular season win and its first ever C-USA opener win.

A 23-0 run in the first half gave the Bearcats their first 1-0 league mark in C-USA history as they won, 67-48.

UC kept rolling from there, winning its next five, including impressive wins over TCU and Houston. After a 63-51 win over Southern Miss, the Bearcats had won eight-straight, 21

in a row at home and a new league record 15-straight C-USA games.

It all ended the next game, as Tulane limited UC to 33 percent shooting and 53 points in a 62-53 loss.

What Goes Around, Comes Around

After back-to-back losses to Tulane and Charlotte, the Bearcats were two games behind the 49ers in the C-USA race. After topping East Carolina, they prepared for the rematch at Louisville.

The Cardinals had won their last 19 home league games heading into the contest. After having its streaks snapped by Tulane two weeks before, it was UC's time to play spoiler.

In a double-overtime thriller, the Bearcats prevailed, 73-66. Sharp scored a career-high 31 points, including the tying basket with less than two seconds left in the first overtime.

The win moved UC within a game of Charlotte as DePaul, which spent much of the season ranked, came into the Shoe.

The result was one of the best games of the season, as Cincinnati pulled off a 71-67 win in overtime. It was the first time in program history that the Bearcats played consecutive overtime games and moreover, it was coupled with South Florida's upset of Charlotte to bring UC into a first-place tie.

Missed Opportunities

With three games to go a C-USA championship was within reach. A senior day win over Marquette and blow out at Memphis took UC into the regular season finale still tied with Charlotte.

A win would at least clinch a share of the title and a win and 49er loss would give the Bearcats the top seed in the C-USA Tournament.

Neither happened as Charlotte topped Tulane and UC came out flat at Saint Louis and suffered a 69-63 loss.

UC headed back to Memphis as the two-

Merrill for the Defense

All-America center Debbie Merrill is well recognized for her offensive talents, but her defense gives the Bearcats a large boost.

For the second-straight year she led the team in blocked shots. In the home opener vs. Dayton she swatted five shots, one short of the school record and the most by a Bearcat since the 1996-97 season. She added four more blocks in the double-overtime win at Louisville.

Her career total of 38 places her eighth on UC's all-time list. Additionally, she was one steal from the team lead last year.



seed in the C-USA tourney and put the loss behind it, turning in one of its best defensive performances of the year in a 61-42 quarterfinal win over Southern Miss.

The semifinals went just as well, as a rematch with DePaul produced a 81-64 Bearcat win as UC shot .549 from the floor.

UC's third-straight trip to the tourney finals was a match-up against co-preseason favorite TCU. The Bearcats had no answer for tourney MVP Sandora Irvin, as she posted 26 points and 19 rebounds in a 85-76 Lady Frog overtime win.

Merrill did, however, become the 17th member of both the 1,000-point and 500-rebound clubs, the 13th Bearcat to join both.

The Bearcats returned home as a host of first and second round games in the NCAA Tournament. UC was awarded a 10 seed in the West Region, making consecutive appearances in the NAAs for the first time.

The Bearcats faced an athletic Arkansas squad ranked 23rd in the nation. The Lady Backs were too strong, ending the Bearcats' season, 71-57.

UC was 23-8, winning the third-most games in school history, and continued the current era of success with its seventh-straight winning seasons, fifth 20-win season in the last six and sixth-straight postseason appearance.



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	G	GS	Min	-Avg	FG	-FGA	Pct	3-POINT			FT	-FTA	Pct	SCORING			REBOUND			ASSISTS			Stl	Blk	TO	PF	-DQ
								FG	-FGA	Pct				Pts	-Avg	O	-T	-Avg	Ast	-Avg							
Debbie Merrill	31	-31	959	-30.9	215	-425	.506	0	-6	.000	128	-195	.656	558	-18.0	108	-263	-8.5	59	-1.9	36	17	79	101	-4		
Career	63	-62	1775	-28.2	393	-779	.504	5	-31	.161	236	-352	.670	1027	-16.3	184	-514	-8.2	94	-1.5	75	38	149	185	-6		
Valerie King	31	-31	1127	-36.4	163	-416	.392	92	-245	.376	89	-102	.873	507	-16.4	17	-88	-2.8	47	-1.5	15	3	64	42	-0		
Career	95	-94	3168	-33.3	526	-1298	.405	255	-648	.394	354	-405	.874	1661	-17.5	47	-234	-2.5	152	-1.6	70	12	224	144	-0		
K.B. Sharp	31	-31	1210	-39.0	145	-352	.412	28	-116	.241	105	-128	.820	423	-13.6	64	-176	-5.7	184	-5.9	37	7	58	46	-0		
Career	126	-95	4339	-34.4	411	-989	.416	101	-356	.284	241	-318	.758	1164	-9.2	126	-493	-3.9	623	-4.9	166	23	239	148	-1		
Carolyn Alexander	31	-30	981	-31.6	137	-258	.531	1	-11	.091	69	-97	.711	344	-11.1	90	-196	-6.3	28	-0.9	37	1	42	93	-4		
Career	104	-30	1763	-17.0	231	-503	.459	16	-62	.258	134	-204	.657	612	-5.9	130	-322	-3.1	69	-0.7	80	4	104	172	-4		
Brittani Young	31	-31	895	-28.9	43	-117	.368	1	-9	.111	31	-52	.596	118	-3.8	54	-131	-4.2	65	-2.1	19	5	36	76	-1		
Career	95	-73	2518	-26.5	131	-362	.362	10	-48	.208	112	-155	.723	384	-4.0	136	-314	-3.3	157	-1.7	49	10	114	201	-3		
Micah Harvey	31	-0	428	-13.8	31	-98	.316	11	-46	.239	17	-30	.567	90	-2.9	17	-44	-1.4	61	-2.0	13	0	38	19	-0		
Career	31	-0	428	-13.8	31	-98	.316	11	-46	.239	17	-30	.567	90	-2.9	17	-44	-1.4	61	-2.0	13	0	38	19	-0		
Anne Stephens	19	-0	119	-6.3	20	-30	.667	0	-0	---	4	-10	.400	44	-2.3	11	-20	-1.1	2	-0.1	3	3	5	20	-0		
Career	19	-0	119	-6.3	20	-30	.667	0	-0	---	4	-10	.400	44	-2.3	11	-20	-1.1	2	-0.1	3	3	5	20	-0		
DeAnna Stevenson	28	-1	348	-12.4	26	-57	.456	0	-1	.000	8	-17	.471	60	-2.1	32	-79	-2.8	5	-0.2	8	0	19	40	-0		
Career	42	-1	430	-10.2	34	-79	.430	0	-1	.000	13	-23	.565	81	-1.9	40	-105	-2.5	8	-0.2	10	0	28	47	-0		
Merelenea Dozier	20	-0	68	-3.4	9	-31	.290	9	-30	.300	0	-1	.000	27	-1.4	0	-16	-0.8	4	-0.2	0	0	3	2	-0		
Career	80	-0	444	-5.6	75	-223	.336	70	-211	.332	3	-6	.500	223	-2.8	3	-41	-0.5	23	-0.3	9	0	30	34	-1		
Edwina Williams	2	-0	4	-2.0	1	-3	.333	0	-0	---	0	-0	---	2	-1.0	0	-1	-0.5	0	-0.0	0	0	0	1	-0		
Career	2	-0	4	-2.0	1	-3	.333	0	-0	---	0	-0	---	2	-1.0	0	-1	-0.5	0	-0.0	0	0	0	1	-0		
Leslie Knoch	15	-0	61	-4.1	4	-14	.286	3	-10	.300	1	-4	.250	12	-0.8	3	-7	-0.5	4	-0.3	0	0	2	1	-0		
Career	19	-0	110	-5.8	7	-27	.259	6	-22	.273	1	-4	.250	21	-1.1	3	-12	-0.6	9	-0.5	3	0	8	5	-0		
Meghan Hillman	13	-0	76	-5.8	3	-14	.214	0	-5	.000	3	-4	.750	9	-0.7	4	-10	-0.8	3	-0.2	2	1	7	5	-0		
Career	13	-0	76	-5.8	3	-14	.214	0	-5	.000	3	-4	.750	9	-0.7	4	-10	-0.8	3	-0.2	2	1	7	5	-0		
Sara Piepho	11	-0	24	-2.2	1	-2	.500	0	-1	.000	0	-2	.000	2	-0.2	0	-1	-0.1	5	-0.5	0	0	1	0	-0		
Career	24	-0	96	-4.0	3	-9	.333	2	-6	.333	0	-2	.000	8	-0.3	1	-3	-0.1	11	-0.5	0	0	9	4	-0		
TEAM																52	-103						14				
CINCINNATI	31		6300	-40.6	798	-1817	.439	145	-480	.302	455	-642	.709	2196	-70.8	452	-1135	-36.6	467	-15.1	170	37	368	446	-9		
OPPONENTS	31		6300	-40.6	737	-1735	.425	118	-370	.319	280	-387	.724	1872	-60.4	359	-1005	-32.4	340	-11.0	166	80	471	611	-21		

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								FG	-FGA	Pct				Pts	-Avg	O	-T	-Avg	Ast	-Avg							
Debbie Merrill	14	-14	472	-33.7	105	-203	.517	0	-3	.000	63	-96	.656	273	-19.5	55	-136	-9.7	27	-1.9	21	6	37	48	-3		
Career	28	-28	830	-29.6	179	-352	.509	1	-13	.077	111	-168	.661	470	-16.8	86	-239	-8.5	37	-1.3	42	15	62	90	-4		
K.B. Sharp	14	-14	563	-40.2	72	-163	.442	11	-47	.234	52	-61	.852	207	-14.8	27	-93	-6.6	80	-5.7	20	3	28	24	-0		
Career	60	-45	2142	-35.7	210	-507	.414	50	-185	.270	129	-164	.787	599	-10.0	61	-258	-4.3	296	-4.9	87	11	126	84	-0		
Valerie King	14	-14	530	-37.9	60	-163	.368	34	-94	.362	45	-53	.849	199	-14.2	10	-44	-3.1	22	-1.6	4	1	35	19	-0		
Career	44	-43	1477	-33.6	208	-546	.381	102	-272	.375	179	-207	.865	697	-15.8	24	-107	-2.4	66	-1.5	29	4	103	74	-0		
Carolyn Alexander	14	-14	462	-33.0	60	-117	.513	0	-2	.000	40	-63	.635	160	-11.4	36	-90	-6.4	17	-1.2	14	0	21	45	-1		
Career	28	-14	658	-23.5	89	-186	.478	5	-13	.385	60	-97	.619	243	-8.7	58	-133	-4.8	27	-1.0	23	0	30	62	-1		
Brittani Young	14	-14	433	-30.9	17	-47	.362	1	-7	.143	15	-28	.536	50	-3.6	20	-63	-4.5	34	-2.4	8	2	21	41	-1		
Career	44	-33	1205	-27.4	67	-182	.368	7	-32	.219	56	-82	.683	197	-4.5	59	-151	-3.4	82	-1.9	25	5	61	108	-2		
DeAnna Stevenson	14	-0	180	-12.9	14	-33	.424	0	-1	.000	3	-8	.375	31	-2.2	14	-34	-2.4	3	-0.2	2	0	8	18	-0		
Career	20	-0	204	-10.2	16	-39	.410	0	-1	.000	3	-8	.375	35	-1.8	15	-40	-2.0	3	-0.2	2	0	13	23	-0		
Micah Harvey	14	-0	173	-12.4	10	-40	.250	2	-18	.111	7	-15	.467	29	-2.1	9	-21	-1.5	19	-1.4	8	0	23	9	-0		
Career	14	-0	173	-12.4	10	-40	.250	2	-18	.111	7	-15	.467	29	-2.1	9	-21	-1.5	19	-1.4	8	0	23	9	-0		
Leslie Knoch	10	-0	34	-3.4	3	-7	.429	3	-6	.500	0	-2	.000	9	-0.9	1	-4	-0.4	2	-0.2	0	0	1	1	-0		
Career	10	-0	34	-3.4	3	-7	.429	3	-6	.500	0	-2	.000	9	-0.9	1	-4	-0.4	2	-0.2	0	0	1	1	-0		
Meghan Hillman	3	-0	6	-2.0	0	-1	.000	0	-0	---	1	-2	.500	1	-0.3	0	-0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	-0		
Career	3	-0	6	-2.0	0	-1	.000	0	-0	---	1	-2	.500	1	-0.3	0	-0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	-0		
Anne Stephens	6	-0	8	-1.3	0	-0	---	0	-0	---	1	-2	.500	1	-0.2	1	-1	-0.2	0	0.0	1	0	0	2	-0		
Career	6	-0	8	-1.3	0	-0	---	0	-0	---	1	-2	.500	1	-0.2	1	-1	-0.2	0	0.0	1	0	0	2	-0		
Merelenea Dozier	7	-0	10	-1.4	0	-5	.000	0	-5	.000	0	-0	---	0	0.0	0	-2	-0.3	0	0.0	0	0	2	0	-0		
Career	33	-0	156	-4.7	24	-79	.304	23	-76	.303	0	-0	---	71	-2.2	0	-11	-0.3	7	-0.2	3	0	12	12	-0		
Sara Piepho	3	-0	4	-1.3	0	-0	---	0	-0	---	0	-2	.000	0	0.0	0	-0	0.0	1	-0.3	0	0	1	0	-0		
Career	9	-0	26	-2.9	0	-2	.000	0	-1	.000	0	-2	.000	0	0.0	0	-1	-0.1	2	-0.2	0	0					



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Records

OVERALL:	23-8	HOME:	15-2
*CONFERENCE:	11-3	AWAY:	6-5
OVERTIME:	2-1	NEUTRAL:	2-1

Game-By-Game Points/Rebounds/Assists

Game Starter Stats in **Underline**

Date	Score	Opponent	Attn	Alexandr	Young	Merrill	Sharp	King	Harvey	Hilmn	Sthps	Stvnson	Knoch	Dozier	Piepho	Smith	Williams
Nov. 22	70-76	at Mississippi State	1,608	<u>11/5/2</u>	<u>3/2/2</u>	<u>22/4/1</u>	<u>7/3/5</u>	<u>27/2/2</u>	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	0/1/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Nov. 27	73-48	DAYTON	519	<u>8/2/1</u>	<u>4/5/1</u>	<u>22/11/2</u>	<u>6/4/2</u>	<u>19/1/2</u>	10/1/3	2/2/2	0/1/0	2/1/0	DNP	0/0/0	0/1/0	DNP	DNP
Nov. 30	79-59	MIDDLE TENNESSEE ST.	602	<u>10/4/2</u>	<u>5/1/1</u>	<u>19/5/2</u>	<u>15/7/7</u>	<u>22/2/2</u>	6/2/7	0/0/1	2/0/0	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP
Dec. 5	91-78	at Eastern Kentucky	625	<u>9/8/1</u>	<u>8/6/2</u>	<u>16/6/1</u>	<u>12/5/12</u>	<u>30/0/0</u>	5/1/4	0/2/0	11/6/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Dec. 7	92-54	COASTAL CAROLINA	458	<u>14/3/0</u>	<u>2/4/3</u>	<u>23/10/2</u>	<u>2/5/6</u>	<u>26/1/1</u>	10/2/5	0/2/0	4/0/0	3/5/0	DNP	6/4/0	0/0/2	DNP	2/1/0
Dec. 15	55-65	at Nebraska	1,966	<u>6/10/0</u>	<u>5/5/0</u>	<u>18/7/0</u>	<u>20/10/8</u>	<u>3/2/2</u>	0/2/0	DNP	0/2/0	DNP	DNP	3/0/1	DNP	DNP	DNP
Dec. 19	68-54	RICE	215	<u>8/8/2</u>	<u>0/0/2</u>	<u>13/6/0</u>	<u>13/3/2</u>	<u>22/13/1</u>	2/3/1	2/1/0	4/2/0	1/4/0	DNP	3/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP
Dec. 21	88-57	BOWLING GREEN (1)	372	<u>6/5/0</u>	<u>10/4/3</u>	<u>20/6/1</u>	<u>12/8/8</u>	<u>14/2/1</u>	4/2/5	2/1/0	10/3/0	4/3/0	DNP	6/2/1	0/0/2	DNP	0/0/0
Dec. 22	68-55	UL LAFAYETTE (1)	473	<u>23/10/1</u>	<u>4/3/3</u>	<u>16/6/4</u>	<u>6/5/8</u>	<u>13/3/1</u>	3/1/3	DNP	0/0/0	0/2/0	DNP	3/1/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Dec. 28	61-56	XAVIER	2,352	<u>14/9/1</u>	<u>6/9/1</u>	<u>14/9/0</u>	<u>9/7/9</u>	<u>16/1/2</u>	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	2/5/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Dec. 31	67-69	at Kentucky	741	<u>14/6/1</u>	<u>4/3/3</u>	<u>14/6/5</u>	<u>14/5/5</u>	<u>13/2/1</u>	6/1/0	DNP	2/2/1	0/1/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jan. 4	64-57	TOLEDO	853	10/11/0	<u>8/5/2</u>	<u>14/8/4</u>	<u>19/2/5</u>	<u>13/1/0</u>	0/1/1	DNP	DNP	<u>0/1/0</u>	0/1/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jan. 6	85-41	LAFAYETTE	373	<u>2/3/1</u>	<u>2/4/4</u>	<u>14/5/1</u>	<u>15/5/3</u>	<u>22/2/1</u>	4/1/4	2/2/0	10/3/1	4/4/1	2/2/2	6/5/2	2/0/0	DNP	DNP
Jan. 11	67-48	LOUISVILLE*	1,237	<u>18/5/1</u>	<u>1/5/3</u>	<u>19/8/0</u>	<u>14/7/6</u>	<u>10/5/0</u>	5/3/4	DNP	0/0/0	0/3/0	0/1/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jan. 17	68-61	TCU*	589	<u>3/3/0</u>	<u>1/7/2</u>	<u>20/5/1</u>	<u>15/9/6</u>	<u>18/4/4</u>	2/3/2	DNP	0/0/0	9/9/1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jan. 19	79-69	HOUSTON*	4,105	<u>7/2/0</u>	<u>4/6/5</u>	<u>24/15/1</u>	<u>17/7/11</u>	<u>25/0/3</u>	0/0/1	DNP	DNP	2/1/0	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jan. 24	72-37	at South Florida*	492	<u>8/10/2</u>	<u>8/2/1</u>	<u>23/13/1</u>	<u>4/8/8</u>	<u>19/6/1</u>	3/3/1	0/0/0	1/1/0	3/2/1	3/2/1	0/2/0	0/0/1	DNP	DNP
Jan. 26	63-60	at UAB*	371	<u>6/3/0</u>	<u>2/5/2</u>	<u>17/6/1</u>	<u>7/5/2</u>	<u>20/3/1</u>	4/2/1	DNP	DNP	7/3/0	0/0/1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jan. 31	63-51	SOUTHERN MISS*	1,137	<u>20/10/1</u>	<u>4/2/0</u>	<u>11/12/7</u>	<u>9/5/3</u>	<u>15/5/1</u>	0/1/0	1/0/0	0/0/0	0/1/0	3/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP
Feb. 2	53-62	TULANE*	1,413	<u>12/5/3</u>	<u>0/6/2</u>	<u>18/13/0</u>	<u>12/4/5</u>	<u>9/3/2</u>	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	2/4/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Feb. 7	62-67	at Charlotte*	1,315	<u>10/10/0</u>	<u>7/3/1</u>	<u>12/4/0</u>	<u>17/7/9</u>	<u>12/2/1</u>	0/0/1	DNP	DNP	4/3/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Feb. 9	83-69	at East Carolina*	679	<u>20/3/2</u>	<u>4/1/0</u>	<u>28/10/1</u>	<u>17/9/6</u>	<u>10/2/4</u>	4/4/3	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Feb. 16	73-66	at Louisville* (2OT)	543	<u>10/10/1</u>	<u>5/9/3</u>	<u>20/10/5</u>	<u>31/8/4</u>	<u>7/1/0</u>	0/1/1	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Feb. 21	71-67	DE PAUL* (OT)	820	<u>9/9/3</u>	<u>4/5/3</u>	<u>27/9/5</u>	<u>15/8/4</u>	<u>11/3/1</u>	3/0/3	DNP	0/0/0	2/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Feb. 23	69-62	MARQUETTE*	4,639	<u>10/7/2</u>	<u>8/3/5</u>	<u>18/7/1</u>	<u>18/6/5</u>	<u>15/3/1</u>	0/1/0	DNP	DNP	0/2/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Feb. 28	74-53	at Memphis*	1,045	<u>15/8/0</u>	<u>2/4/5</u>	<u>17/13/3</u>	<u>15/3/5</u>	<u>14/3/1</u>	6/2/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	2/6/1	3/1/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP
Mar. 2	63-69	at Saint Louis*	734	<u>12/5/2</u>	<u>0/5/2</u>	<u>19/11/1</u>	<u>16/7/6</u>	<u>14/4/2</u>	2/1/1	DNP	DNP	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Mar. 7	61-42	vs. Southern Miss (2)	2,950	<u>6/5/0</u>	<u>2/5/1</u>	<u>10/13/4</u>	<u>19/4/5</u>	<u>19/4/1</u>	0/1/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	4/6/0	1/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP
Mar. 8	81-64	vs. DePaul (2)	1,538	<u>12/3/0</u>	<u>3/6/1</u>	<u>18/6/3</u>	<u>26/3/5</u>	<u>12/2/3</u>	2/2/4	0/0/0	0/0/0	8/7/1	0/0/0	0/0/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP
Mar. 9	76-85	vs. TCU (OT) (2)	2,483	<u>12/6/0</u>	<u>2/4/1</u>	<u>16/7/0</u>	<u>15/7/6</u>	<u>24/2/3</u>	7/2/2	DNP	DNP	0/6/0	0/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Mar. 23	57-71	ARKANSAS (3)	4,413	<u>19/8/0</u>	<u>0/2/1</u>	<u>16/12/2</u>	<u>6/2/4</u>	<u>13/4/2</u>	2/1/2	DNP	DNP	1/0/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP

- (1) Bearcat Invitational (Cincinnati, Ohio)
- (2) Conference USA Tournament (Memphis, Tenn.)
- (3) NCAA Tournament (Cincinnati, Ohio)

ATTENDANCE		
Home	24,534	-1,443
Away	10,119	-920
Neutral	6,972	-2,324
Total	41,624	-1,343

MISCELLANEOUS		UC		OPP	
First Half Scoring		1,034	-33.4	828	-26.7
Second Half Scoring		1,129	-36.4	1,013	-32.7
Overtime		34	-8.5	32	-8.0
Points Off Turnovers		532	-17.2	355	-11.5
Second Chance Points		400	-12.9	337	-10.9
Bench Scoring		256	-8.3	516	-16.6
Jump Balls		20		15	
Dead Ball Rebounds		102		69	

2002-03 Game-by-Game Team Totals

	FG	-FGA	Pct	3G	-3GA	Pct	FT	-FTA	Pct	Off	-Tot	Ast	Stl	Blk	To	PF	-D	1st	2nd	OT	Score
@MISSISSIPPI ST.	28	-62	.452	1	-6	.167	19	-23	.826	20	-38	9	10	1	19	18	-0	29	47	-	76
CINCINNATI	24	-45	.533	6	-14	.429	16	-19	.842	5	-20	14	7	1	23	22	-1	31	39	-	70
DAYTON	20	-52	.385	6	-12	.500	2	-2	1.000	12	-27	12	6	0	16	14	-0	18	30	-	48
@CINCINNATI	31	-61	.508	4	-16	.250	7	-8	.875	14	-31	15	6	5	9	7	-0	34	39	-	73
MIDDLE TENNESSEE	26	-54	.481	4	-13	.308	3	-4	.750	9	-31	11	6	1	18	18	-0	25	34	-	59
@CINCINNATI	25	-50	.500	9	-15	.600	20	-24	.833	7	-25	22	4	0	9	8	-0	32	47	-	79
@EASTERN KENTUCKY	32	-60	.533	1	-8	.125	13	-17	.765	11	-27	15	8	2	14	20	-0	31	47	-	78
CINCINNATI	35	-67	.522	9	-18	.500	12	-17	.706	20	-39	20	5	2	14	18	-2	47	44	-	91
COASTAL CAROLINA	23	-53	.434	4	-10	.400	4	-8	.500	6	-23	7	3	1	14	19	-1	25	29	-	54
@CINCINNATI	33	-61	.541	12	-27	.444	14	-17	.824	14	-39	19	6	1	10	15	-0	36	56	-	92
@NEBRASKA	23	-57	.404	6	-9	.667	13	-18	.722	14	-43	11	4	5	11	16	-0	26	39	-	65
CINCINNATI	21	-68	.309	1	-17	.059	12	-20	.600	20	-44	11	8	3	7	16	-0	23	32	-	55
RICE	25	-65	.385	2	-9	.222	2	-5	.400	11	-30	13	5	4	11	23	-2	16	38	-	54
@CINCINNATI	22	-59	.373	3	-13	.231	21	-31	.677	15	-43	8	4	1	9	13	-0	27	41	-	68



	FG	-FGA	Pct	3G	-3GA	Pct	FT	-FTA	Pct	Off	-Tot	Ast	Stl	Blk	To	PF	-D	1st	2nd	OT	Score
BOWLING GREEN	21	-54	.389	6	-17	.353	9	-11	.818	8	-30	10	3	0	22	22	-0	25	32	-	57
@CINCINNATI	32	-67	.478	6	-21	.286	18	-23	.783	14	-38	21	2	2	9	15	-0	46	42	-	88
UL LAFAYETTE	24	-48	.500	3	-9	.333	4	-4	1.000	7	-25	9	4	1	16	13	-1	30	25	-	55
@CINCINNATI	29	-64	.453	4	-21	.190	6	-7	.857	16	-32	19	5	1	9	7	-0	30	38	-	68
XAVIER	22	-55	.400	3	-21	.143	9	-11	.818	11	-40	6	2	0	8	18	-2	30	26	-	56
@CINCINNATI	24	-67	.358	3	-15	.200	10	-16	.625	18	-41	13	2	1	4	10	-0	24	37	-	61
@KENTUCKY	27	-52	.519	6	-12	.500	9	-11	.818	11	-32	14	5	3	21	19	-0	34	35	-	69
CINCINNATI	27	-61	.443	5	-17	.294	8	-14	.571	13	-28	16	6	2	13	13	-0	29	38	-	67
TOLEDO	22	-48	.458	6	-10	.600	7	-11	.636	12	-37	12	5	3	22	15	-1	28	29	-	57
@CINCINNATI	25	-67	.373	4	-18	.222	10	-14	.714	18	-34	12	9	1	12	12	-0	30	34	-	64
LAFAYETTE	13	-36	.361	0	-0	.000	15	-18	.833	10	-29	7	7	2	34	19	-1	21	20	-	41
@CINCINNATI	33	-71	.465	8	-27	.296	11	-17	.647	23	-39	20	9	1	13	14	-0	48	37	-	85
LOUISVILLE	20	-62	.323	2	-11	.182	6	-9	.667	13	-29	5	6	0	13	24	-1	15	33	-	48
@CINCINNATI	22	-44	.500	4	-11	.364	19	-28	.679	9	-39	14	3	1	16	14	-0	34	33	-	67
TCU	22	-58	.379	6	-12	.500	11	-17	.647	12	-28	11	6	4	12	23	-1	33	28	-	61
@CINCINNATI	23	-57	.404	2	-9	.222	20	-29	.690	22	-46	16	3	0	15	20	-2	29	39	-	68
HOUSTON	27	-64	.422	7	-16	.438	8	-9	.889	13	-27	15	10	1	13	18	-1	39	30	-	69
@CINCINNATI	29	-47	.617	5	-12	.417	16	-23	.696	7	-32	21	3	2	17	11	-0	48	31	-	79
@SOUTH FLORIDA	16	-58	.276	0	-8	.000	5	-10	.500	11	-38	7	4	4	12	25	-1	16	21	-	37
CINCINNATI	23	-59	.390	6	-15	.400	20	-29	.690	18	-53	17	3	0	10	13	-0	34	38	-	72
@UAB	23	-48	.479	4	-12	.333	10	-12	.833	9	-26	6	2	1	15	23	-0	21	39	-	60
CINCINNATI	21	-47	.447	1	-11	.091	20	-24	.833	11	-29	8	6	0	12	16	-1	31	31	-	63
SOUTHERN MISS	21	-48	.438	3	-10	.300	6	-11	.545	9	-27	9	4	6	16	21	-1	22	29	-	51
@CINCINNATI	23	-50	.460	3	-10	.300	14	-26	.538	16	-37	12	9	0	16	16	-0	32	31	-	63
TULANE	23	-56	.411	4	-15	.267	12	-18	.667	12	-38	10	5	8	11	19	-0	27	35	-	62
@CINCINNATI	20	-60	.333	3	-10	.300	10	-12	.833	15	-38	12	6	1	14	16	-1	26	27	-	53
@CHARLOTTE	23	-54	.426	5	-15	.333	16	-21	.762	7	-33	16	5	1	12	24	-1	27	40	-	67
CINCINNATI	19	-50	.380	4	-13	.308	20	-33	.606	12	-38	12	7	0	15	20	-1	28	34	-	62
@EAST CAROLINA	26	-56	.464	4	-17	.235	13	-17	.765	14	-29	14	3	3	15	12	-0	33	36	-	69
CINCINNATI	35	-62	.565	4	-11	.364	9	-10	.900	13	-32	16	6	0	10	14	-0	43	40	-	83
@LOUISVILLE	27	-82	.329	4	-19	.211	8	-11	.727	33	-62	8	7	5	24	24	-1	22	27	17	66
CINCINNATI	26	-70	.371	3	-19	.158	18	-27	.667	18	-42	14	13	6	10	13	-0	24	25	24	73
DE PAUL	28	-63	.444	6	-16	.375	5	-8	.625	10	-36	15	5	3	15	23	-3	34	32	1	67
@CINCINNATI	26	-60	.433	2	-14	.143	17	-25	.680	13	-40	19	3	0	12	12	-0	29	37	5	71
MARQUETTE	24	-48	.500	8	-15	.533	6	-7	.857	5	-22	13	6	2	15	20	-0	23	39	-	62
@CINCINNATI	22	-54	.407	4	-17	.235	21	-24	.875	13	-31	14	6	0	11	12	-0	25	44	-	69
@MEMPHIS	22	-55	.400	1	-9	.111	8	-18	.444	11	-27	10	12	2	16	23	-1	28	25	-	53
CINCINNATI	27	-56	.482	4	-12	.333	16	-28	.571	21	-48	16	13	2	19	14	-0	35	39	-	74
@SAINT LOUIS	28	-59	.475	5	-10	.500	8	-11	.727	11	-39	19	3	1	11	17	-0	35	34	-	69
CINCINNATI	25	-63	.397	6	-19	.316	7	-14	.500	14	-37	14	0	0	8	16	-0	37	26	-	63
v SOUTHERN MISS	19	-55	.345	0	-6	.000	4	-5	.800	8	-30	9	3	4	13	17	-0	19	23	-	42
CINCINNATI	23	-55	.418	6	-16	.375	9	-13	.692	12	-40	12	6	1	11	13	-0	34	27	-	61
v DE PAUL	25	-54	.463	3	-16	.188	11	-14	.786	8	-21	12	9	5	10	19	-0	32	32	-	64
CINCINNATI	28	-51	.549	5	-11	.455	20	-23	.870	10	-32	17	5	2	10	17	-0	43	38	-	81
v TCU	30	-55	.545	5	-17	.294	20	-29	.690	12	-42	15	3	4	15	23	-0	36	35	14	85
CINCINNATI	25	-71	.352	5	-19	.263	21	-27	.778	16	-35	12	8	1	6	23	-1	33	38	5	76
ARKANSAS	27	-64	.422	3	-10	.300	14	-17	.824	19	-39	10	5	3	7	22	-1	28	43	-	71
@CINCINNATI	20	-53	.377	4	-12	.333	13	-20	.650	15	-33	11	1	0	11	16	-0	32	25	-	57

UC Wins (23)	FG	-FGA	Pct	3G	-3GA	Pct	FT	-FTA	Pct	Off	-Tot	Ast	Stl	Blk	To	PF	-D	1st	2nd	OT	Score
OPPONENTS	528	-1276	.414	83	-276	.301	169	-239	.707	253	-700	236	126	54	364	453	-18	586	704	18	1308
CINCINNATI	617	-1346	.458	111	-359	.309	348	-483	.720	342	-863	365	131	29	267	304	-5	795	868	29	1693

UC Losses (8)	FG	-FGA	Pct	3G	-3GA	Pct	FT	-FTA	Pct	Off	-Tot	Ast	Stl	Blk	To	PF	-D	1st	2nd	OT	Score
OPPONENTS	209	-459	.455	35	-94	.372	111	-148	.750	106	-304	104	40	26	107	158	-0	242	308	14	564
CINCINNATI	181	-471	.384	34	-121	.281	107	-159	.673	110	-273	102	43	8	97	142	-4	239	259	5	503

Home Games (17)	FG	-FGA	Pct	3G	-3GA	Pct	FT	-FTA	Pct	Off	-Tot	Ast	Stl	Blk	To	PF	-D	1st	2nd	OT	Score
OPPONENTS	388	-928	.418	73	-206	.354	123	-170	.724	179	-518	175	88	39	263	331	-16	439	532	1	972
CINCINNATI	439	-992	.443	80	-268	.299	247	-344	.718	249	-618	268	81	17	196	218	-0	562	638	5	1205

Road/Neutral Games (14)	FG	-FGA	Pct	3G	-3GA	Pct	FT	-FTA	Pct	Off	-Tot	Ast	Stl	Blk	To	PF	-D	1st	2nd	OT	Score
OPPONENTS	349	-807	.432	45	-164	.274	157	-217	.724	180	-486	165	78	41	208	280	-0	389	480	31	900
CINCINNATI	359	-825	.435	65	-212	.307	208	-298	.698	203	-518	199	93	20	168	228	-6	472	489	29	991



2002-03 Season Superlatives

	Individual High	Cincinnati High	Opponent High
Points	31 Sharp v Louisville(2)	92 v Coastal Carolina	85 by TCU (2)
FG Made	13 Merrill v East Carolina	35 v Eastern Kentucky	32 by Eastern Kentucky
	13 Sharp at Louisville(2)	35 v East Carolina	
FG Attempted	24 Sharp at Louisville(2)	71 v Lafayette	82 by Louisville(2)
		71 v TCU (2)	
3-Pt FG Made	8 King v Coastal Carolina	12 v Coastal Carolina	8 by Marquette
3-Pt FG Att.	13 King v Lafayette	27 v Coastal Carolina	21 by Xavier
	13 King v Southern Miss(2)	27 v Lafayette	
FT Made	11 King v UAB	21 v Rice	20 by TCU (2)
		21 v Marquette	
		21 v TCU (2)	
FT Attempted	13 Sharp v TCU (2)	33 v Charlotte	29 by TCU (2)
Rebounds	15 Merrill v Houston	53 v South Florida	62 by Louisville(2)
Rebound Margin		+21 v Memphis	+20 by Louisville(2)
Fouls		23 v TCU (2)	25 by South Florida
Assists	12 Sharp v Eastern Kentucky	22 v Middle Tennessee	19 by Saint Louis
Turnovers	7 Merrill v UAB	23 v Mississippi State	34 by Lafayette
Blocks	5 Merrill v Dayton	6 v Louisville(2)	8 by Tulane
Steals	5 Alexander v Kentucky	13 v Memphis	12 by Memphis
FG Pct.		.617 v Houston	.545 by TCU (2)
3-Pt FG Pct.		.600 v Middle Tennessee (9-15)	.667 by Nebraska (6-9)
FT Pct.		.900 v East Carolina (9-10)	1.000 by Dayton (2-2)
			1.000 by UL Lafayette (4-4)

Season Team Lows

	Cincinnati	Opponents
Points	53 v Tulane	37 by South Florida
FG Made	19 v Charlotte	13 by Lafayette
FG Attempted	44 v Louisville	36 by Lafayette
3-Pt FG Made	1 v Nebraska	0 by Lafayette
	1 v UAB	0 by South Florida
		0 by Southern Miss(2)
3-Pt FG Att.	9 v TCU	0 by Lafayette
FT Made	6 v UL Lafayette	2 by Dayton
		2 by Rice
FT Attempted	7 v UL Lafayette	2 by Dayton
Rebounds	20 v Mississippi State	21 by DePaul(2)
Fouls	7 v Dayton	12 by East Carolina
	7 v UL Lafayette	
Assists	8 v Rice	5 by Louisville
	8 v UAB	
Turnovers	4 v Xavier	7 by Arkansas
Blocks	0 11 times	0 by five opponents
Steals	0 v Saint Louis	2 by Xavier
		2 by UAB
FG Pct.	.309 v Nebraska	.276 by South Florida
3-Pt FG Pct.	.059 v Nebraska (1-17)	.000 by South Florida (0-8)
		.000 by Southern Miss(2) (0-6)
FT Pct.	.500 v Saint Louis (7-14)	.400 by Rice (2-5)