

GE BASKETBALL PREVIEW

WOMEN: Lady Quakers seek experience

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"My goal as a coach is to really try to remain constant in my enthusiasm," Lady Quaker Head Coach Jeannie Taylor said in her office Monday afternoon.

Her enthusiasm and her team's enthusiasm will be necessary to enable Guilford to press on during the outset of the women's basketball season.

Gone are four senior starters from a year ago. Gone are three other players who left for personal reasons. Gone with those seven are over 40 points and 27 rebounds per game. Also missing are 270 total assists and 71 total blocked shots.

"We've lost a lot of people and have a whole different perspective this year," Taylor said. There's no big team motto this season, but if there were ever a time to 'Press on' [last year's motto]...it's gotta be this year. This could be a critical year for the Quakers."

Last year's team went 12-12 overall, 3-1 against Old Dominion Athletic Conference competition. Ranked fourth in the ODAC's preseason poll behind national power Roanoke College, and stiff regional foes Lynchburg and Bridgewater, the Lady Quakers are not subject to too much hype this semester.

"In my mind, it doesn't matter a whole lot if we are picked at the top or bottom," Taylor said. "There's no pressure. If we play to our potential, we can surprise some people in the ODAC. It just depends on how long it takes us to get...mature...and get to where



Taylor

we are capable of being."

Point Guard Carolyn Doss is Guilford's only returning starter. The 5'3" senior will be responsible for filling in the gap as floor leader left by a very talented graduate in Lori Helton.

"She'll be running the show," Taylor said. "Not to put pressure on Carolyn—it's tough enough coming behind Lori Helton—but I think she's solid enough that she can do that."

Doss is certainly solid. No loose balls are picked up before Carolyn has a chance to dive head first into the scramble. An aggressive defensive player, Doss will spark the Lady Quakers with her competitive nature and work ethic.

"Carolyn worked really hard this summer and might surprise some people [with the way she plays] because of the time and effort she put in. And I think that it's going to pay off."

Doss appeared in 20 games last season, starting in seven of those at the point position. She averaged 3.5 points, 1.2 assists and two rebounds per contest.

The leading returner in playing time is senior Deana Pingley. She was fourth on the team with 425 minutes on the floor last year. In that time, she managed to garner nearly five points and 2.5 rebounds per game.

"With Deana, I see versatility," Taylor said. "She can play inside or outside; as a forward or as a post player."

Sophomore Brenda Davis sat out the second half of last season with mononucleosis,



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VOGUE?: The women's team strikes a pose, taking a break from practice drills to ham it up in front of the camera. Nevertheless, they'll be prepared for a grueling season.

able to play in only 14 games. Still, she scored 8.4 points per contest. Her great leaping ability and 5'10" frame gives Guilford good size and helped her snag five rebounds per outing last season.

"I expect her to help out a bunch," Taylor said. "She just lacks experience right now."

Senior Laura Klingseisen again adds her sharp shooting ability to the Lady Quakers this winter. The spirit leader from Mequon, Wis. made 70% of her shots during the 1990-91 campaign.

"Laura makes things happen," Taylor said. "She's a hard worker, very intense and plays aggressively. A lot of her points come from working hard. She doesn't stand out as [an outside] shooter, but she can score."

Sophomore Catherine Herring will see time on the court because of her strength. An aggressive post player, Taylor feels a

year's experience has made Herring a better athlete.

"As the year goes by, I see her getting better and better," Taylor said.

Junior Tara McCoy doesn't let her 5'2" frame keep her from succeeding on the court.

"Tara is a point guard, playing behind Carolyn," Taylor said. "She's real fast and sees the court really well...she's just lacking in experience and confidence on the floor. She could be a phenomenal player with her speed and quickness."

Guilford's top two freshmen this season look to be guards Patti West and Becky Shotwell.

"Patti is a point guard, but will play more as a two-guard next to Carolyn," Taylor

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1991-92 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time	Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 22	ST. ANDREWS	6:00	Jan. 24	E. MENNONITE*	7:00
Nov. 23	MEREDITH	6:00	Jan. 25	BRIDGEWATER*	4:00
Nov. 25	at Ferrum	7:00	Jan. 28	at Randolph-Macon	7:00
Dec. 4	at N.C. Wesleyan	6:00	Feb. 1	EMORY & HENRY*	4:00
Dec. 6-7	GUILFORD TRIAD INVITATIONAL	6/8:00	Feb. 4	ROANOKE*	7:00
Dec. 10	at Greensboro College	7:00	Feb. 7	HOLLINS*	7:00
Dec. 12	METHODIST	7:00	Feb. 11	G'BORO COLLEGE	7:00
Dec. 14	CHRIS. NEWPORT	4:00	Feb. 15	at Emory & Henry*	2:00
Jan. 10	at Randolph-Macon*	7:00	Feb. 18	at Roanoke*	7:00
Jan. 11	at Virginia Wesleyan*	4:00	Feb. 20	LYNCHBURG*	7:00
Jan. 14	at Lynchburg*	7:00	Feb. 22	MARY BALDWIN*	3:00
Jan. 18	at Hollins*	3:00			
Jan. 21	RAND-MACON *	7:00			

HOME GAMES IN CAPS
*Old Dominion Athletic Conference Game

1991-92 GUILFORD COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Year	Hometown
10	Rebecca Shotwell	G	5-8	Fr.	Chevy Chase, MD
11	Kristen James	F	5-6	Jr.	Oklahoma City, OK
12	Tara McCoy	G	5-2	Jr.	Cherokee, NC
13	Tricia Allman	G	5-7	So.	Hickory, NC
21	Patti West	G	5-3	Fr.	Morganton, NC
23	Deana Pingley	F	5-10	Sr.	Hamilton, VA
30	Melissa Shaw	F	5-9	Jr.	Hyattsville, MD
31	Carolyn Doss	G	5-3	Sr.	Mequon, WI
32	Laura Klingseisen	F	5-6	Sr.	Met. Airy, NC
35	Brenda Davis	C	5-10	So.	Orlando, FL
43	Tonya Hood	F	5-8	Fr.	Blythewood, SC
44	Catherine Herring	F	5-10	So.	Rockford, TN
45	Danielle Musser	F	5-9	Fr.	Rural Retreat, VA

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