

# Sports

## Lady Rams searching for volleyball fan support

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It is a game with dimensions that read 29 feet and 6 inches wide by 59 feet long, about the size of a basketball court. This game also has a net with a height of 7 feet and uses descriptive words such as "kill," "dig," and "attack" to describe its plays.

This is not some new crazy coed intramural sport, it's volleyball. And it is one of the least supported sports on campus.

"Most of the crowd at our game consists of other WSSU athletes and parents," said Stephanie Douthit, a sophomore defensive specialist

and outside hitter.

The challenge of getting more support for women's volleyball can be solved by simply letting the students and community know that WSSU actually has a team.

"The athletic department needs to put the team out there more, maybe some joint pep rallies with the other fall sports teams, so they can all share in the spotlight some," Kenyetta Richmond, senior Inter Disciplinary Studies major said.

"A lot of people don't even know we have a team," she added.

Like many of her teammates, Douthit plays volleyball for

the love of the sport, competition and physical activity. However, one can't help but think a little more fan support would help this young team (2-13), on the court as well.

The Lady Rams' game days do vary; however, many are played on Tuesdays and Fridays. So the next time you are with your friends trying to decide what to do at night and before you pick to go sit on the yard for the thousandth time, log on to [www.wssurams.com](http://www.wssurams.com), click on the volleyball tab to your left and come out and root for the Rams to "Attack and Kill."

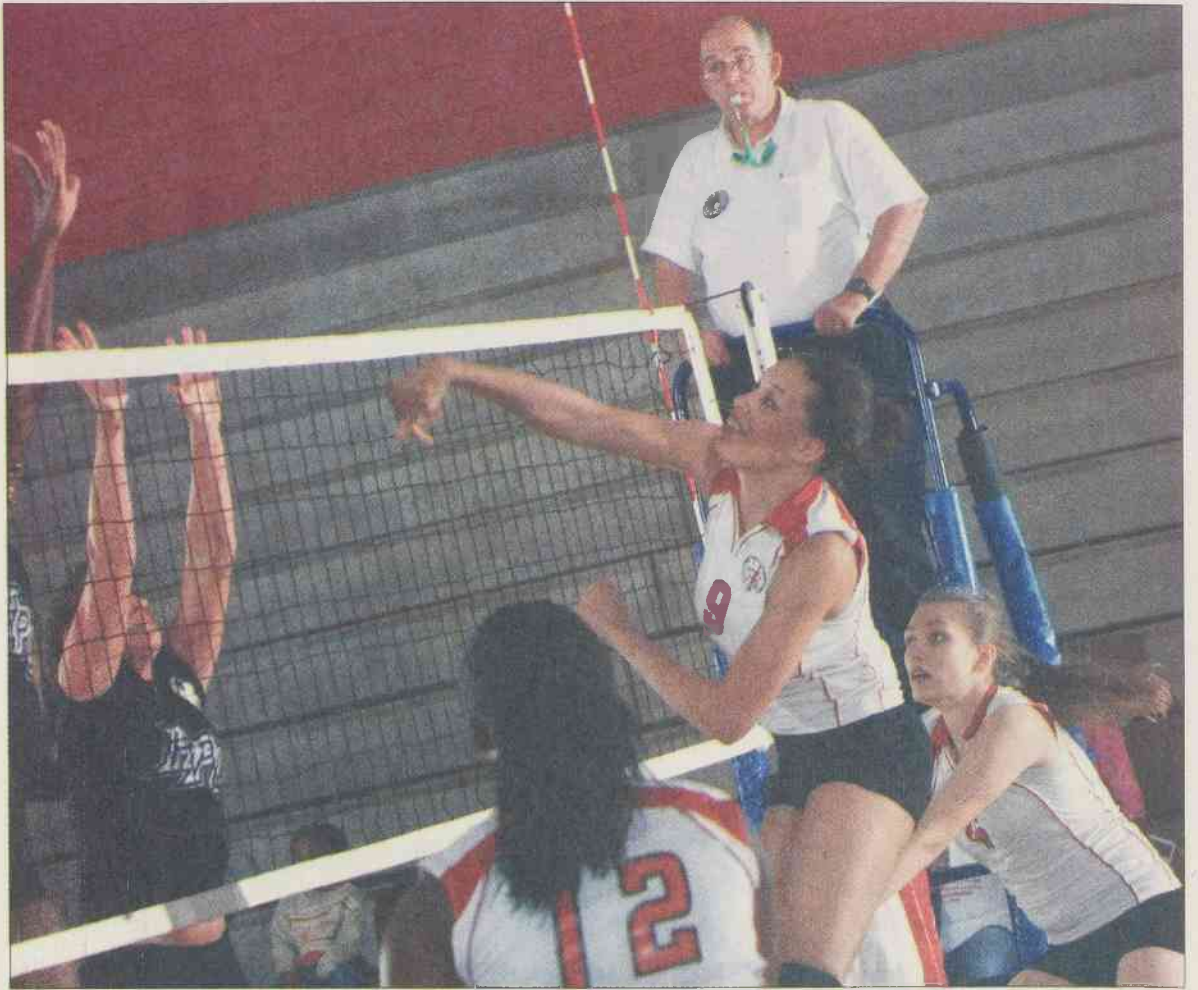


Photo by Lee Adams

The Lady Rams of volleyball need peer support. Upcoming home games are Oct. 24, Nov. 3 and 8.

## NBA Live 07: not perfect, but better

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If you are looking for the perfect basketball video game, "NBA Live 07" is not the game for you. However, if you are a basketball fan who is looking to kill some time, "Live" is not a bad game.

The developers at Electronic Arts have added several new features to this year's installment of "Live" that make it much more enjoyable to play than it was in years past. Anyone with an online connection to a console can listen to live updates from

ESPN radio every 20 minutes.

Last year's big addition, "Freestyle Superstars," has been revamped and now separates up-and-coming stars from All-Stars. The game's graphics have improved, and, of course, there is the ever-entertaining All-Star Weekend mode.

While the game looks better this year than it has previously, "Live" still has some flaws that negate some of the steps forward that it has taken. Once again, point guards rule the game, with role players such as Dan Dicaku and Speedy Claxton putting up

numbers like 35 points and 12 assists. The computer's players never get tired and play about 90 percent of the game; there are also several game play bugs.

"NBA Live 07" has its share of flaws, but creative and high-tech features help to overshadow them. So if you want a game you and your friends can have a good time with, "Live" is worth the money. But if you are looking for absolute perfection, you would be better off saving that last \$40 from your refund check.

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defense. The Bison quarterbacks completed only 11 of 30 passes in the game.

"We've got some things we need to work on," said

Ferguson, who was hired as offensive coordinator for the Bison this past spring after spending the last two years in Winston-Salem.

While Ferguson was dis-

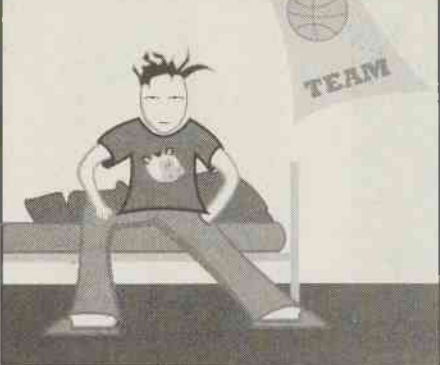
appointed in his current team's performance, he applauded his former players. "I said it when I left; they don't have any quit in them. I'm proud of them all."

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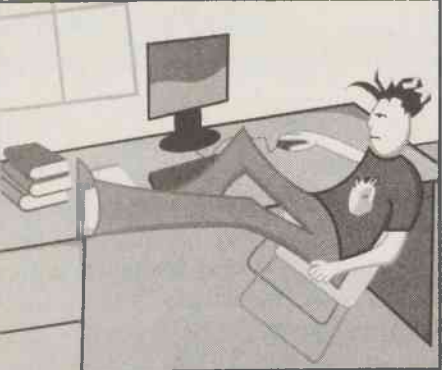
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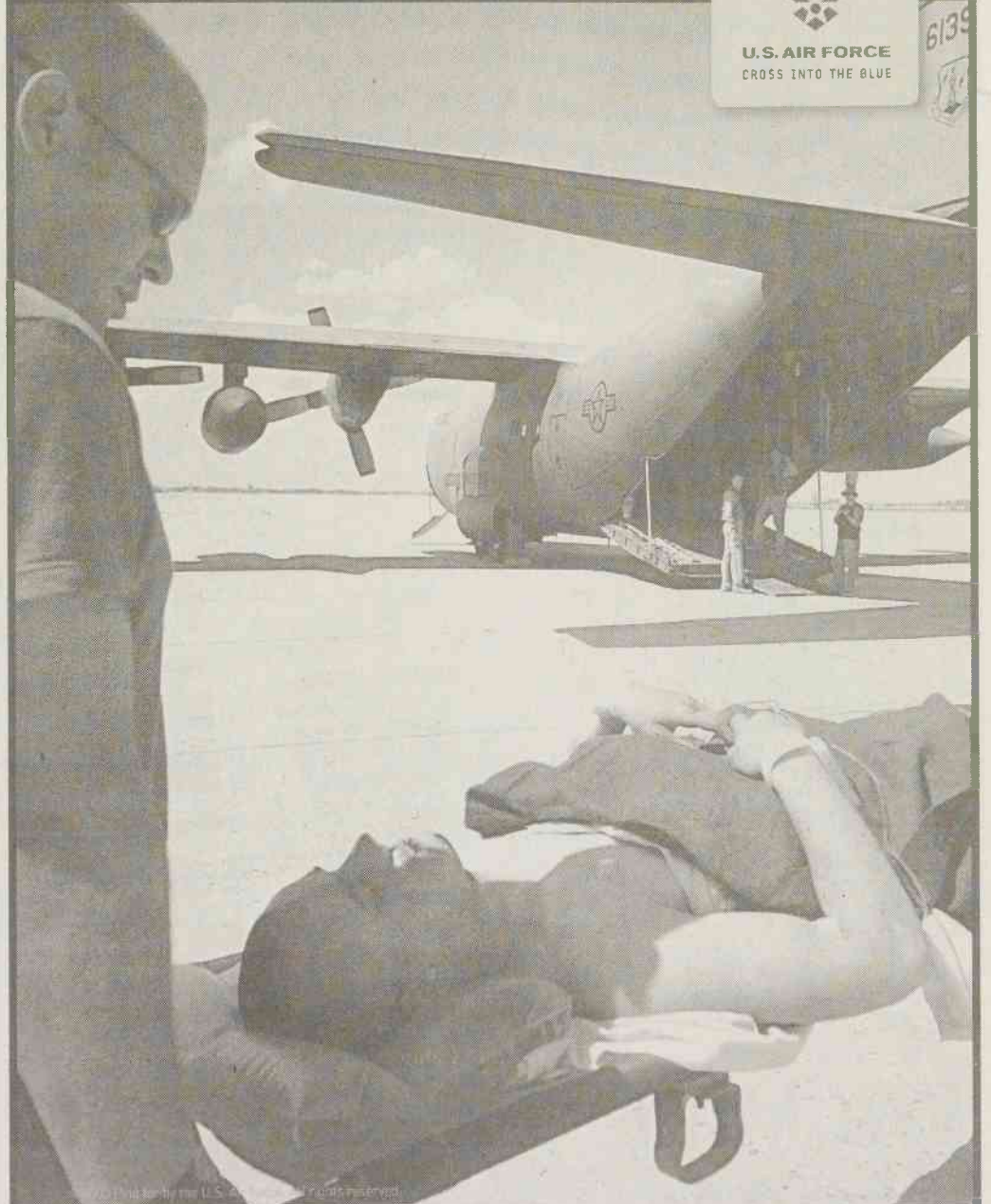


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