



**Megan Leonard was a First Team All-MIAA selection last season. She led UCM in wins and ERA.**

The newest softball facility in the MIAA, Jennies Field at UCM's South Recreation Complex is in its seventh season as home of the Jennies. The complex is situated in the southeast part of Warrensburg off DD Highway and replaces the old diamond located west of the UCM Multipurpose Building that had served as the team's home field since the 1977 campaign.

The first phase of the complex included the construction of Jennies Field, which features permanent bleacher seating, spacious dugouts, fenced-in bullpens, a scoreboard and a sprinkler system, as well as three



## Jennies Field Firsts

<b>Game</b> .....	March 6, 2001 (UCM 8, Central Methodist 3)
<b>At-Bat</b> .....	Kelly Henke, Central Methodist vs. UCM, 3-6-01 UCM: Lory Mothersbaugh vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Hit</b> .....	Kelly Henke (single), Central Methodist vs. UCM, 3-6-01 UCM: Sissy Fletcher (single) vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Double</b> .....	Lynne Biggs, Central Methodist vs. UCM, 3-6-01 UCM: Desirée Price vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Triple</b> .....	Sissy Fletcher vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Home Run</b> .....	Emmie Shaw vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01 Solo home run to right field off of Joann Pollard
<b>Run</b> .....	Kelly Henke, Central Methodist vs. UCM, 3-6-01 UCM: Sissy Fletcher vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>RBI</b> .....	Lynne Biggs, Central Methodist vs. UCM, 3-6-01 UCM: Desirée Price vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Strikeout</b> .....	Gwen Giffin vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01 Beth Bowman caught looking
<b>Base on Balls</b> .....	Beth Blackburn vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Hit by Pitch</b> .....	Shauna Ryan vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Sacrifice</b> .....	Kelly Henke, Central Methodist vs. UCM, 3-6-01 UCM: Desirée Price (SF) vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Stolen Base</b> .....	Emily Barr (stole second) vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Putout</b> .....	Emily Barr (catcher) vs. Central Methodist (strikeout), 3-6-01
<b>Assist</b> .....	Emily Barr (catcher) vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Double Play</b> ..	Kelly Jackson to Brandy Winters, Missouri-St. Louis vs. UCM, 4-4-01 UCM: Gwen Giffin to Kassie Long vs. Washburn, 4-6-01
<b>Pitch</b> .....	Gwen Giffin (2:08 p.m.) vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01
<b>Victory</b> .....	Gwen Giffin vs. Central Methodist, 3-6-01 Complete game, UCM won 8-3
<b>Shutout</b> ..	Gwen Giffin & Laura Ruebhausen (5 inn.) vs. Lincoln University, 3-20-01
<b>No-Hitter</b> ..	Gwen Giffin & Laura Ruebhausen (5 inn.) vs. Lincoln University, 3-20-01

## The Jennies at Home Since 1977

1977.....	6-5	1994.....	15-1
1978.....	8-4	1995.....	14-4
1979.....	6-0	1996.....	10-2
1980.....	6-2	1997.....	13-2
1981.....	8-2	1998.....	13-1
1982.....	11-6	1999.....	9-5
1983.....	4-5	2000.....	9-10
1984.....	6-8	2001.....	14-4
1985.....	7-1	2002.....	14-7
1986.....	9-11	2003.....	12-4
1987.....	5-5	2004.....	16-3
1988.....	4-4	2005.....	10-10
1989.....	8-0	2006.....	14-4
1990.....	4-9	2007.....	8-0
1991.....	13-0	2008.....	8-2
1992.....	11-4	Totals.....	300-131
1993.....	5-6		

additional playing fields that are used for tournaments and intramurals. Jennies Field has dimensions of 200 feet to all fields and has an eight-foot-high outfield fence.

Phase two brought a building that houses offices, locker rooms and storage areas, as well as lights and a lighted soccer field, which serves as home of the Jennies soccer team. Phase three will include a second building that will include areas for concessions, restrooms and a press box, between the softball fields.

While at their old field, the Jennies compiled a home record of 204-97 (.678) and hosted three NCAA Division II regional tournaments (1987, 1994 and 1995). Prior to 1977, they played their home games on the former West Field, which is now the Central track & field teams' throwing facility. They also played some games at Cave Hollow Park in Warrensburg and on the baseball field at the city's former Grover Park.



In the Fall of 2004, the South Recreation Complex was hit by a tornado, taking out the softball scoreboard, knocking down lightpoles, and uprooting fences. The roof was ripped off the building that houses the locker rooms and offices which caused water damage throughout.

In the Fall of 2006, the old bleacher seating at Jennies Field was replaced with new red chair back seating.



Susan Anderson is in her third season as head coach at Central Missouri. She spent the previous four seasons as head coach at MIAA rival Northwest Missouri. Anderson played four seasons for the Cardinal & Black.

Last season, Anderson led the Jennies to a 36-22 overall record and 12-6 in the MIAA, good for second place. The Jennies finished second in the MIAA Tournament and qualified for the NCAA-II North Central Region tournament for the second consecutive season.

In her first season, Anderson led the Jennies to a 30-23 record, including a 14-4 conference record and a second place finish in the MIAA. The team took fifth in the MIAA tournament and advanced to the NCAA-II North Central Region tournament for the first time since 1997.

Anderson took over for the retired Rhesa Sumrell, who Anderson (formerly Punzo) played for from 1994-97. The two were named the 2006 MIAA Co-Coaches of the Year.

At Northwest Missouri State, she took the Bearcats to their first NCAA Tournament appearance since 1984 and marked the school record for wins in each of the past two seasons. In 2006, she led them to a 40-15 overall record and a third place finish in the MIAA at 12-4.

In her third season in 2005 she led the Bearcats to a 34-27 mark and an eighth place finish in the regular season and went 1-2 in the MIAA Tournament. She had four players earn all-conference honors and one player named was named to the All-North Central Regional squad.

In her second season, Anderson's crew went 20-33 and took the 7th seed to the MIAA Tournament and she mentored two first team All-MIAA selections.

In 2003, she led the Bearcats to a 30-21 mark in her first year at the helm. NWMSU finished 10-8 in the MIAA and went 2-2 at the MIAA Tournament. The 30 wins were the most for a first-year general in the school's softball history.

Anderson was 124-96 at Northwest and has tallied a 247-217 overall career record in 10 years as a head coach. Her three 30-win seasons are also a first in Bearcat softball history. During her four seasons in Maryville she coached six First Team All-MIAA selections, and mentored 23 MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll selections.

In 2001-02, she was the mentor at Dakota State (S.D.), where she took the team from 11-23 in her first year, to a school-record 25-13 mark and their first ever appearance in the NAIA Regional Tournament the next season. While at Dakota, she also served as the assistant athletic director and senior woman administrator.

Anderson also made a turnaround effort in her first head coaching position at St. Mary College (Kan.) from 1999-2000.

## THE ANDERSON FILE

### Coaching Experience

*2007-Present: Head Softball Coach, UCM  
(two years, 66-45)*  
*2003-06: Head Softball Coach  
Northwest Missouri State  
(four years, 124-96)*  
*2001-02: Head Softball Coach  
Dakota State University  
(two years, 36-36 record).*  
*1999-00: Head Softball Coach, St. Mary's (Kan.)  
(two years, 21-40 record)*  
*1998: Graduate Assistant Coach, University of Central Missouri*

### Education

*1998: Master's degree in Sports Administration,  
University of Central Missouri*  
*1997: Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, University of  
Central Missouri*

She went from 6-21 in her debut to 15-19 the following year.

As a player at Central Missouri, Anderson was a two-time All-American and led the Jennies to three MIAA titles (1994, 1995, and 1997). She was also a three-time all-conference performer, earning second-team honors as a sophomore and first-team accolades as both a junior and senior. She also got the job done in the classroom, making the MIAA All-Academic Team all four years and Academic All-American in 1997. She is also the only UCM Softball player to receive the prestigious NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship.

She is married to Chauncey Anderson and is the mother of a three-year old daughter, Teagan.



The Andersons: Susan, Chauncey and Teagan



**Dee Keim**

**Assistant Coach**

Dee Keim begins her second season as a full-time assistant with the Jennies after two years as a graduate assistant.

A native of Coweta, Oklahoma, Keim came to Central after a solid career at Missouri State University. She was a four-year starter at catcher from 2001-2004 and earned all-

conference accolades for her performance as a junior and senior.

Prior to enrolling at MSU, Keim was a four-year starter for Coweta high school, where she earned all-state honors.

She graduated from Missouri State in the spring of 2005 with a degree in business recreation, and is currently working toward a master's degree in sports administration at Central Missouri.



**Aron Potter**

**Volunteer Assistant**

Aron Potter is in her second stint with the Jennies and first as a volunteer assistant. Potter was a graduate assistant with the Jennies softball and volleyball teams from 2000-2002.

After graduating from UCM with a master's degree, Potter was the head coach at Coffeyville

Community College for three years, where she was named 2003 Jayhawk Conference Eastern Division Coach of the Year. Following her stint at Coffeyville she was named the head coach at Missouri Southern, a position she held for three years.

She graduated from Culver-Stockton College in 1998, where she was a three-time All-Heart of America Athletic Conference performer, a two-time All-Midwest Region selection and the 1996 HAAC Player of the Year. She still holds seven single-season and career records and was a 2007 inductee into the Culver-Stockton Athletic Hall of Fame.

Potter returned to UCM in the fall of 2008 as an instructor in the Health and Human Performance department and is currently pursuing her doctorate degree.



**Whitney Peyton**

**Graduate Assistant**

Whitney Peyton is in her first season as a graduate assistant with the Jennies after one year as a graduate assistant at Arkansas Tech University.

A native of Batesville, Arkansas, Peyton was teammates with Keim at Missouri State, where she played from 2003-2007. At MSU, she was a

three-year starter at second base and a four-year scholar athlete.

At Batesville High School, Peyton was a four-year starter, all-state selection and twice named Arkansas Gatorade Player of the Year .

She graduated from Missouri State in 2007 with a degree in Criminology, and is currently working towards a master's degree in sports administration at UCM.

The 2009 version of the Central Missouri Jennies will enjoy a luxury that neither of head coach Susan Anderson's previous two teams has had, they return their entire pitching staff.

The Jennies return all four pitchers from a staff that led the MIAA in team ERA, broke the school record for strikeouts in a season, and boasts three all-conference pitchers. The staff helped lead UCM to 36 wins, a runner-up finish in the MIAA, and a trip to the NCAA tournament for the second straight season.

"This year we have all of our pitching staff returning, which is a big strength," said Coach Anderson.

Leading the way is first-team All-MIAA and second-team all-region selection **Megan Leonard**. In her first season in the cardinal & black, Leonard won 20 games, had a 1.07 ERA, and broke the school record for strikeouts in a single-season with 303 punchouts in 222.1 innings of work. She also tied teammate Kelly Martin's record for saves in a single-season with five.

Junior **Kristal Holland**, a two-time all-conference hurler, returns after registering 12 wins and a 2.66 ERA a season ago. UCM also returns senior **Kelly Martin** and junior **Lindsey Wagaman**. Martin, the co-single-season saves leader, is one save shy of tying the career saves record. Wagaman was an all-MIAA selection as a freshman when she led the Jennies in wins.

If the Jennies expect to return to the postseason for a third straight season coach Anderson thinks they'll need to improve on their performance at the plate.

"We need to improve on our batting average this year. We were last in the MIAA a year ago, but I think with the returners we have coming back and the batch of newcomers we should be able to improve our team batting average," said Anderson.

Leading that charge will be all-MIAA and all-region performer **Tarese Ely-Myers**. Ely -Myers had one of the best single-season offensive performances by a Jennie last year and will look for an even stronger season in 2009. She will most likely start the season as the designated player because of off-season shoulder surgery, but should be able to patrol the outfield from centerfield before conference play begins. Alongside her will be junior **Cat White**. White gained valuable experience last season, starting 33 games in right field and could see time at either corner outfield position. There are a number of players vying for the third outfield spot,

including sophomore **Abby Dickson** and newcomers **Courtney Opich**, **Chelsey Patton** and **Jessica Marble**.

Senior shortstop **Tracey Anderson** returns after earning honorable mention all-MIAA accolades a year ago and will be counted on to lead an entirely new infield.

**Jessie Shelman** will see her first action as a Jennie in 2009, most likely at third or second base.

Shelman sat out last season after transferring from Truman State. Shelman will most likely platoon with Marble, who will play roles in both the infield and outfield. Junior



An All-MIAA selection in 2008, senior Tracey Anderson will be looked to for leadership as the only returning player on the infield.

college transfer **Kassie McClure** should move into the second base role when she gets healthy.

Sophomore transfer **Kasey Martin**, the younger sister of Kelly Martin, could see time at first base as well as the designated player after transferring at semester from Illinois State. Another player to watch is junior transfer **Krista Cummings**. She broke Johnson County Community College's single-season home run record in both of her seasons at JCCC and holds the career home run record with 35. She could see time at either of the corner infield positions, while splitting time at first base with freshman **Nikki Norberg**. All three players bring powerful bats to the lineup.

"With the newcomers, a lot of them have played at the collegiate level already, Shelman at Truman State, while Krista, Marble and McClure all come from strong junior college programs that tend to make it to the national tournament. They know the expectations and what it takes to reach that level!" Coach Anderson said.

Central Missouri will be without all-MIAA catcher **Kherri-Dean Hummer** to start the season because of off-season ankle surgery. In her stead will be sophomore **Kelli Kurka**, who was third on the team with five home runs a season ago.

"This team is very athletic, versatile and team-oriented. Several of our players can play multiple positions, which will be key for us due to injuries and off-season surgeries," said Anderson.

The Jennies will have to navigate a difficult schedule this season to make their third straight trip to the NCAA tournament. The always tough MIAA was strengthened yet again by the off-season addition of Nebraska-Omaha.

"Our conference is one of the toughest in D-II and with UNO joining the mix it only gets tougher. Year in and year out the competition continues to get better. Teams that were at the top just reload and the other teams are continuing to get better," said Anderson.

The Jennies are also joining a new region this year making the switch from the North Central to the South Central Region.

"Not only is our conference getting tougher, but our region has gotten a lot tougher joining the South Central region. We'll be competing with some great teams that have been outside practicing from day one," Anderson added, "It will be more difficult to advance into the postseason, but I think this team will be up for the challenge."

The Jennies open the 2009 season on February 13 when they travel to Denton, Texas for the Texas Woman's tournament. MIAA play kicks off on March 27 with a home doubleheader against Fort Hays State, while the MIAA postseason tournament will be held April 30-May 2 at the Blue Valley Sports Complex in Overland Park, Kan. Coach Anderson is excited for the season to start, but more excited to get everyone healthy and see what they can do.

"We're looking forward to getting everyone healthy. On paper this looks to be a strong team offensively, but we need to get some key players healthy and everyone has to get adjusted playing alongside one another."



Junior Cat White will help lead the Jennies outfield after starting 33 games a season ago.

~ Numerical Roster ~

No.	Name	Pos.	B-T	Ht.	Year-Exp	Hometown / Previous School
1	Jessie Shelman	UT	L-R	5-4	Junior-RS	Blue Springs, Mo. / Truman State
2	Megan Schallom	P	R-R	5-3	Fresh-HS	St. Louis, Mo. / Oakville High School
3	Megan Leonard	P	L-L	5-7	Senior-1L	Purdy, Mo. / Crowder Community College
5	Lindsey Wagaman	P	R-R	5-5	Junior-2L	Emerson, Iowa / Red Oaks High School
7	Courtney Opich	OF	L-L	5-4	Fresh-HS	Florissant, Mo. / Incarnate Word Academy
9	Tarese Ely-Myers	OF	R-R	5-7	Junior-2L	Richland, Mo. / Richland High School
10	Cat White	OF	R-R	5-7	Junior-2L	Shawnee, Kan. / Mill Valley High School
11	Abby Dickson	OF	L-L	5-4	Soph-1L	Belton, Mo. / Belton High School
12	Kasey Martin	1B/DP	L-R	5-9	Soph-Tr	Lenexa, Kan. / Illinois State University
13	Kassie McClure	2B	R-R	5-6	Junior-Tr	Tucson, Ariz. / Pima Community College
14	Kherri-Dean Hummer	C	R-R	5-9	Senior-3L	Clarksdale, Mo. / Stewartville High School
15	Chelsey Patton	OF	R-R	5-9	Fresh-HS	Basehor, Kan. / Basehor-Linwood High School
17	Kristal Holland	P	R-R	5-10	Junior-2L	Basehor, Kan. / Basehor-Linwood High School
18	Kelly Martin	P	L-R	5-7	Senior-3L	Lenexa, Kan. / Shawnee Mission Northwest High School
19	Nicole Norberg	1B	R-R	5-10	Fresh-HS	St. Louis, Mo. / Oakville High School
20	Jessica Marble	UT	R-R	5-7	Junior-Tr	Neosho, Mo. / Crowder Community College
22	Kelli Kurka	C/DP	R-R	5-7	Soph-1L	Sullivan, Mo. / Sullivan High School
23	Tracey Anderson	SS	R-R	5-6	Senior-1L	Lenexa, Kan. / Johnson County Community College
24	Krista Cummings	IF	R-R	5-7	Junior-Tr	Kansas City, Mo. / Johnson County CC

**Head Coach:** Susan Anderson (2nd year, Central Missouri)  
**Graduate Assistant:** Whitney Peyton (1st year, Missouri State)

**Assistant Coach:** Dee Keim (4th year, Missouri State)  
**Volunteer Assistant:** Aron Potter (1st year, Culver-Stockton)

~ Pronunciation Guide ~

Lindsey Wagaman - WAH-guh-man

Tarese Ely-Myers - Ta-reese EE-Lie

Megan Schallom - SHALL-um

Courtney Opich - O-pick

Alphabetical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.
23	Tracey Anderson	SS
24	Krista Cummings	IF
11	Abby Dickson	OF
9	Tarese Ely-Myers	OF
17	Kristal Holland	P
14	Kherri-Dean Hummer	C
22	Kelli Kurka	C/DP

No.	Name	Pos.
3	Megan Leonard	P
20	Jessica Marble	UT
12	Kasey Martin	1B/DP
18	Kelly Martin	P
13	Kassie McClure	2B
19	Nicole Norberg	1B

No.	Name	Pos.
7	Courtney Opich	OF
15	Chelsey Patton	OF
2	Megan Schallom	P
1	Jessie Shelman	UT
5	Lindsey Wagaman	P
10	Cat White	OF

~ Personnel Situation ~

Starters Returning	Pos.	Year
Tracey Anderson	SS	Senior
Tarese Ely-Myers	OF	Junior
Cat White	OF	Junior
Kherri-Dean Hummer	C	Senior

Pitchers Returning	Pos	Year
Kristal Holland	RHP	Junior
Megan Leonard	LHP	Senior
Kelly Martin	RHP	Senior
Lindsey Wagaman	RHP	Junior

Other Returnees	Pos.	Year
Abby Dickson	OF	Soph.
Kelli Kurka	C/DP	Soph.
Jessie Shelman	UT	Junior

Starters Lost	Pos
Katie Bauer	3B
Marisha Branson	2B
Melissa Palmer	CF
Whitney Sandberg	1B

Newcomers	Pos	Year
Krista Cummings	IF	Junior
Jessica Marble	UT	Junior
Kasey Martin	1B/DP	Sophomore
Kassie McClure	2B	Junior
Nicole Norberg	1B	Freshman
Courtney Opich	OF	Freshman
Chelsey Patton	OF	Freshman
Megan Schallom	P	Freshman



**23 - TRACEY ANDERSON - SS**

**5-6 \* Senior-1L \* B-R**

**Lenexa, Kan.**

**Johnson County Community College**

**Coach Anderson on Tracey Anderson:** "Trace is a solid leader for our team, defensively she's very solid and very smart. We really need her to lead since she is the lone returner on the infield. We're confident she'll elevate her game even more after having a year in the MIAA."

**As a Junior:** Hit .270 with nine doubles and four home runs and 32 RBI ... tied for team lead with nine stolen bases...named Honorable Mention All-MIAA.

**At JCCC:** Was named first-team All-American and academic All-American for head coach Frank Barnes ... was part of conference and district championship and national Runner-up teams.

**In High School:** Was a four-year letterwinner at Shawnee Mission North High School ... she earned all-conference honors and was team MVP for head coach Steve Collins ... also lettered in basketball and volleyball.

**Personal:** Anderson is majoring in Nursing. Her parents are Dale and Sandra Anderson. She was born June 27, 1986.

Year	...	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2008	...	.270	58	58	178	31	48	9	0	4	32	69	.388	12	5	31	1	.333	0	8	9	12	84	100	14	.929



**11 - ABBY DICKSON - OF**

**5-5 \* Sophomore-1L \* L-L**

**Belton, Mo.**

**Belton H.S.**

**Coach Anderson on Abby Dickson:** "Abby has really worked hard this year and I've seen some big improvements in her game. I would like to see her continue to improve her confidence because a confident Abby is a much better player. She's gotten faster and she could see time at any of the outfield positions."

**As a Freshman:** Hit .169 in 35 games ... had two doubles and one triple with two RBI.

**In High School:** Was a four-year letter winner ... was an all-conference, all-district, all-region, all-metro and all-state selection for head coach Jeff Davis ... named County female athlete of the year ... also lettered in basketball, soccer and track.

**Personal:** Dickson is majoring in Elementary Education. Her parents are Mark and Donna Dickson. She was born on January 25, 1989.

Year	...	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2008	...	.169	35	28	77	13	13	2	1	0	2	17	.221	7	2	16	1	.256	0	2	2	2	18	1	1	.950



**9 - TARESE ELY-MYERS - OF**

**5-7 \* Junior-2L \* R-R**

**Richland, Mo.**

**Richland H.S.**

**Coach Anderson on Tarese Ely-Myers:** "Tarese is by far our most consistent player. She's coming off of shoulder surgery so we're anxious to get her back. She'll be a true leader for us out in the outfield and in the lineup."

**As a Sophomore:** Led the team with a .351 average, six triples, 13 home runs and 48 RBI...13 home runs were second most in UCM history...also tied for team lead with nine stolen bases...named second team All-MIAA, second team All-Region and

Academic All-District.

**As a Freshman:** Saw action in 34 games, starting 28 ... drove in eight runs.

**In High School:** she lettered in softball, basketball and soccer at Richland High School ... she was an all-conference and all-district selection for four years and was all-regional for three years ... she earned all-state as a sophomore at shortstop and as a senior at pitcher ... Myers was a member of three conference championships and four district championship teams ... She lettered in basketball for three seasons earning all-conference honors three times and was named to the all-district team as well.

**Personal:** Ely-Myers is majoring in Business Management ... daughter of Mac and Beth Myers ... born on April 30, 1988.

Year	...	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2007	...	.225	34	28	80	8	18	4	1	1	8	27	.338	6	0	20	0	.279	0	1	1	1	26	22	4	.923
2008	...	.351	54	54	174	37	61	6	6	13	48	118	.678	8	0	20	0	.375	2	0	9	9	36	3	0	1.000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>.311</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>.571</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.344</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.956</b>



**17 - KRISTAL HOLLAND - P**

**5-10 \* Junior-2L \* R-R**

**Basehor, Kan.**

**Basehor-Linwood H.S.**

**Coach Anderson on Kristal Holland:** "Kristal has the potential to be a dominating pitcher in our league. I'd really like to see her elevate her game over last year"

**As a Sophomore:** Second on the team with 12 wins and a 2.66 ERA...hit .286 with two home runs and nine RBI...named Honorable Mention All-MIAA.

**As a Freshman:** Appeared in 28 games with seven starts ... finished with an 8-6 record and 2.10 ERA ... 65 strikeouts in 93.1 innings pitched.

**In High School:** Played for coach Susan Mayberry at Baschor-Linwood where she was a four year letterwinner earning first team All Kaw Valley and second team all-state honors as a junior ... Holland earned second team all-conference honors her freshman, sophomore and senior seasons. She was a member of their 2005 regional championship team ... she also lettered one year in basketball.

**Personal:** Holland is majoring in Child and Family Development. Her parents are Benny and Sherrie Holland. She was born on March 22, 1988.

Year	...	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2007	...	.244	19	17	41	2	10	0	0	0	3	10	.244	2	2	9	1	.311	0	2	0	0	5	24	0	1.000
2008	...	.286	23	19	49	5	14	5	0	2	9	25	.510	5	0	10	0	.345	1	2	0	0	5	25	2	.938
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>.267</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>.389</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.330</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.967</b>

  

Year	...	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	SFA	SHA
2007	...	2.10	8	6	28	7	4	2	0	2	93.1	85	40	28	36	65	14	2	5	410	.237	8	7	3	6
2008	...	2.66	12	8	26	17	7	2	0	0	110.1	111	62	42	48	57	22	1	5	504	.262	7	11	3	19
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2.41</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>203.2</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>.251</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>25</b>



**14 - KHERRI-DEAN HUMMER - C**

**5-9 \* Senior-3L \* R-R**

**Clarksdale, Mo.**

**Stewartsville High School**

**Coach Anderson on Kherrri-Dean Hummer:** "I have been very impressed with Hummer this year. She has really developed into a great team leader. With the medical redshirt last year, we're excited to see her out on the field this year."

**As a Junior:** Was second on the team with 10 home runs ... drove in 23 runs...earned Honorable Mention All-MIAA...named to MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll for her work in the classroom.

**In 2007:** Received a medical redshirt after appearing in only six games.

**As a Sophomore:** Appeared in 32 games, starting 25 times at catcher ... committed only one error in 131 chances.

**As a Freshman:** Saw time at both catcher and third base, making 34 starts... had eight hits in limited action.

**In High School:** A three-sport athlete at Stewartsville High School, Hummer earned All-State and all-region honors in her junior and senior seasons for head softball coach Ethan Sickels ... also was named all-district and all-conference three times in her career ... lettered in basketball and track

**Personal:** Computer Aided Drafting and Design major ... born November 30, 1985 ... daughter of Mike and Julie Hummer.

Year	...	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2005	...	.129	37	34	62	2	8	0	0	0	4	8	.129	4	0	18	0	.182	0	0	0	0	38	81	14	.895
2006	...	.250	32	25	52	3	13	2	0	0	4	15	.288	1	0	10	0	.259	1	1	0	2	102	28	1	.992
2007	...	.077	6	3	13	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.077	2	0	5	0	.200	0	0	0	0	19	2	0	1.000
2008	...	.230	47	46	126	12	29	4	0	10	23	63	.500	13	0	39	0	.302	0	10	1	1	358	37	4	.990
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>.202</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>.344</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.259</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>.972</b>



**22 - KELLI KURKA - C/DP**

**5-6 \* Sophomore-1L \* R-R**

**Sullivan, Mo.**

**Sullivan H.S.**

**Coach Anderson on Kelli Kurka:** "Kurk has continued to gain confidence behind the plate. I've seen a lot of improvement from last year to now. She's going to be our go-to catcher the first month of the season."

**As a Freshman:** Batted .214 with five home runs and 15 RBI in 42 games played...started 32 of the 42 games.

**In High School:** Was a four-time all-conference and all-district selection at Sullivan high school ... named to the all-region squad three times and was a two-time first team all-state selection and three time all-state honoree ... named Player of the year her senior season ... won three conference and four district championships ... also lettered in basketball and track.

**Personal:** Kurka is majoring in Physical Education...she was born March 18, 1989... she is the daughter Stan and Debbie Kurka...her mother Deb (Mann) Kurka is being inducted into the UCM Athletics Hall of Fame as a member of the Class of 2009.

Year	...	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2008	...	.214	42	32	98	10	21	2	0	5	15	38	.388	6	2	20	0	.269	2	1	1	1	35	4	0	1.000



**3 - MEGAN LEONARD - P**

**5-7 \* Senior-1L \* L-L**

**Purdy, Mo.**

**Crowder Community College**

**Coach Anderson on Megan Leonard:** "Meg had an amazing first year in the MIAA. She has great mound presence and is very confident in the circle. She's proven that she can shut down some great hitting teams. She wants the ball when the game is on the line."

**As a Junior:** Led UCM with 20 wins and a 1.07 ERA...broke UCM single-season strikeout record of 185 set by Mandee Berg in 1997 with 303 K's in 222.1 innings pitched...was named MIAA Pitcher of the Week four consecutive weeks...tossed a no-hitter with 11 K's against Missouri Southern to break the single-season strikeout record...tied single-season saves record with five...named First team All-MIAA and second team All-Region.

**At Crowder:** Named first team all-region both seasons at Crowder.

**In High School:** All-conference and all-district pick all four years ... named first team all-state three seasons and was selected as the conference player of the year twice for head coach Lori Videmschek at Purdy High School.

**Personal:** Leonard is majoring in Fashion merchandising...she is the daughter of David and Vicki Leonard...was born October 13, 1986.

Year	...	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2008	...	.240	49	42	121	19	29	7	1	2	13	44	.364	9	1	42	0	.295	1	2	0	0	4	40	3	.936

Year	...	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	SFA	SHA
2008	...	1.07	20	9	41	30	25	10	1	5	222.1	129	46	34	50	303	12	4	7	852	.170	5	11	3	27



**18 - KELLY MARTIN - P**

**5-7 \* Senior-3L \* L-R**

**Lenexa, Kan.**

**Shawnee Mission N.W. H.S.**

**Coach Anderson on Kelly Martin:** "Kelly has improved every year that I've been here. This fall I felt she was throwing with a ton of confidence and had really good command of her pitches."

**As a Junior:** Made 18 appearances with six starts in the circle...had a 3-2 record with a 3.54 ERA and one save...is currently one save shy of tying UCM's career record of 12.

**As a Sophomore:** Appeared in 20 games with two starts ... tied her own school record with five saves...named to Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll for her work in the classroom.

**As a Freshman:** Appeared in 21 games with four starts ... set a single season school record for saves with five ... hit two against Cameron on March 18 and hit a game winning three run homer against St. Cloud State on March 26 ... was named to the Dean's List her spring and fall semesters.

**In High School:** Martin played for coach Mark Baldersten. She was named second-team All-Sunflower League, second-team all-state and second team all-metro in 2005. She was also an NFCA scholar-athlete in 2004 and 2005. In 2005 her team finished second in Class 6-A in Kansas. Martin played in the Mo.-Kan. All-Star Game. She also lettered in varsity drill team.

**Personal:** She is the daughter of Ken and Mary Carol Martin...she is a biology major with a 3.61 grade-point average... she was born on May 9, 1987.

Year	...	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2006	...	.200	25	6	15	2	3	0	0	2	4	9	.600	1	0	3	0	.250	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	.750
2007	...	.400	8	1	10	2	4	3	0	0	6	7	.700	2	0	4	0	.500	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	1.000
2008	...	.143	19	10	35	1	5	3	0	0	4	8	.229	1	2	15	0	.211	0	0	0	0	0	12	3	.800
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>.200</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>.400</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.273</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.840</b>

Year	...	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	SFA	SHA
2006	...	1.92	3	3	21	4	2	1	3	5	43.2	41	15	12	12	27	5	0	4	190	.246	2	3	1	7
2007	...	4.50	2	2	20	2	0	0	2	5	42.0	51	30	27	15	21	6	1	7	194	.291	3	0	0	4
2008	...	3.54	3	2	18	6	0	0	0	1	53.1	57	38	27	16	31	8	1	4	245	.265	1	6	3	5
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3.32</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>139.0</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>.268</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>



**1 - JESSIE SHELMAN - UT**

**5-4 \* Junior-RS \* L-R**

**Blue Springs, Mo.**

**Truman State University**

**Coach Anderson on Jessie Shelman:** "Jessie had to redshirt last year due to conference rules and shoulder surgery. She's very anxious to get back out on to the field. She will be a great addition for us, being a triple threat at the plate."

**At Truman State:** Was a two-year letterwinner for coaches Lacey Schanz and Erin Brown.

**In High School:** Was a three-time all-conference performer at Blue Springs High School ... named all-region and all-state ... also lettered in basketball and soccer.

**Personal:** Shelman is majoring in Elementary Education with a minor in special education...she is the daughter of Kent and Janet Shelman...she was born December 6, 1986.



**5 - LINDSEY WAGAMAN - P**

**5-5 \* Junior-2L \* R-R**

**Emerson, Iowa**

**Red Oak High School**

**Coach Anderson on Lindsey Wagaman:** "I'd like to see Lindsey get more innings this year. She has the potential to do some great things inside the circle. In order for her to have success she needs to have better command of her pitches and reduce her number of walks."

**As a Sophomore:** Appeared in six games with five starts...had a 1-3 record with a 4.04 ERA...struck out 10 batters in 17.1 innings of work.

**As a Freshman:** Appeared in 23 games with 21 starts ... 11-7 record with a 3.07 ERA ... had 60 strikeouts in 93.1 innings.

**In High School:** Played for her summer coach Pat O'Donnell. She did not play softball in high school. She earned four letters in volleyball and was named all-conference and all-academic.

**Personal:** Wagaman is majoring in accounting...she is the daughter of Jerry Wagaman...was born August 10, 1987.

Year	ERA	W	L	App	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	SFA	SHA
2007	3.07	11	7	23	21	4	0	2	0	93.1	92	59	41	49	60	20	2	5	439	.252	15	6	0	19
2008	4.04	1	3	6	5	0	0	1	0	17.1	22	18	10	17	10	5	0	2	97	.297	3	4	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3.23</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110.2</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>.260</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21</b>



**10 - CAT WHITE - OF**

**5-7 \* Junior-2L \* R-R**

**Shawnee, Kan.**

**Mill Valley High School**

**Coach Anderson on Catherine White:** "Cat has stepped up in the outfield and has become a leader in the field. She worked extremely hard this fall and the results have really shown in her play."

**As a Sophomore:** Appeared in 37 games with 33 starts...had two doubles and two RBI...named to MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll for her work in the classroom.

**As a Freshman:** Made 17 starts ... hit .522 in 18 plate appearances ... had a 1.000 fielding percentage.

**In High School:** She earned three letters for coach Michelle Mages. White was a first team Kaw Valley League pitcher her junior year. She earned honorable mention all-Johnson County and was named first team all-state at utility/designated player as a senior. She was a member of a Regional Champion softball team her junior season. White was named Mill Valley High School Female Athlete of the Year as a senior. She earned four letters in basketball and two in cross country. She competed in the state cross country meet her junior and senior years.

**Personal:** White is majoring in Physical Education...her parents are John and Pat White...she was born June 2, 1988.

Year	Avg	GP	GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	ATT	PO	A	E	FLD%
2007	.522	17	17	23	8	12	1	0	0	2	13	.565	5	0	5	0	.607	0	0	0	1	10	2	0	1.000
2008	.136	37	33	44	9	6	2	0	0	2	8	.182	4	0	14	0	.208	0	1	2	2	34	1	1	.972
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>.269</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>.313</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>.355</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>.979</b>



**24 - KRISTA CUMMINGS - IF**  
**5-7 \* Junior-Tr \* R-R**  
**Kansas City, Mo.**  
**Johnson County CC**

**Coach Anderson on Krista Cummings:**  
 “Krista has a ton of power. She can hit to all fields and will be a strength in our lineup. She’s a very competitive person and she knows

what it takes to win big games.

**At JCCC:** Was twice named first-team all-region and first-team All-American as well as a two-time NJCAA National Tournament all-tournament team selection...set JCCC single-season home run record twice and career record with 35 home runs

**In High School:** Did not participate for her high school, Liberty High School.

**Personal:** Cummings is undecided on a major...she is the daughter of Larry and Joyce Cummings...she was born November 16, 1987.



**20 - JESSICA MARBLE - UT**  
**5-7 \* Junior-Tr \* R-R**  
**Neosho, Mo.**  
**Crowder Comm. College**

**Coach Anderson on Jessica Marble:** “Marble is a true utility player for us. She’s very athletic and we’ll use her in multiple positions this year. She has great speed and a good arm

for the outfield.”

**At Crowder:** A first-team all-region selection for regional and district champion, she set the single-season home run record with 12.

**In High School:** A four-year letterwinner...earned all-conference and all-district honors four times, three times on the first team...first team all-region and first team all-state as a senior.

**Personal:** Undecided on major...she is the daughter of Alan Marble and Carol Chenowith...born May 1, 1988.



**12 - KASEY MARTIN - 1B/DP**  
**5-9 \* Sophomore-Tr \* L-R**  
**Lenexa, Kan.**  
**Illinois State University**

**Coach Anderson on Kasey Martin:** “She’s a great addition at semester. We’re excited to have her come into our program. She’ll add depth at first base. She has a lot of power and

can hit to all fields.

**At Illinois State:** Saw action in 10 games with one RBI as a freshman.

**In High School:** Was a two-time all-conference and all-state selection...named first team all-league, all-Johnson County, all-state and all-Sun Country in 2006...member of 2005 Class 6A State Runner-Up team.

**Personal:** Majoring in middle school education...she is the daughter of Ken and Mary Carol Martin...born June 17, 1989...sister is UCM pitcher Kelly Martin.



**13 - KASSIE MCCLURE - 2B**  
**5-6 \* Junior-Tr \* L-R**  
**Tucson, Ariz.**  
**Pima Comm. College**

**Coach Anderson on Kassie McClure:**  
 “Kassie has stepped in and been a vocal leader since day one and she also leads by example. At practice she does everything it takes to make herself and her teammates better.”

**At Pima CC:** An all-conference selection for Stacy Iveson and Armondo Quiroz.

**In High School:** Four-year letterwinner and three-time captain, she was named to the all-conference team two times.

**Personal:** McClure is majoring in Exercise Science...she is the daughter of Michael and Gayle McClure...born March 26, 1988.



**19 - NICOLE NORBERG - 1B**  
**5-10 \* Freshman-HS \* R-R**  
**St. Louis, Mo.**  
**Oakville H.S.**

**Coach Anderson on Nicole Norberg:** “Nikki is a tall, strong kid that will gain experience at first base. Very solid defensively and really improved her hitting during the fall. A very young player, but a mature player that really understands the game.”

**In High School:** A four-year letterwinner...three-time all-conference selection, part of four district championship teams placing third, second and second at state tournament...all-conference selection in basketball...also lettered in soccer.

**Personal:** Majoring in secondary education...daughter of James and Nancy Norberg...born December 2, 1989.



**7 - COURTNEY OPICH - OF**  
**5-4 \* Freshman-HS \* L-L**  
**Florissant, Mo.**  
**Incarnate Word Academy**

**Coach Anderson on Courtney Opich:**  
 “Courtney was out most of the fall due to a back injury, however, she will be a good hitter for our team. She’s a good gap-to-gap hitter.”

**In High School:** Was an all-conference, all-district and all-region selection at Incarnate Word for head coach Tony Moody...member of three conference and district championship teams.

**Personal:** Opich is majoring in elementary education...she is the daughter of Ed and Sherry Opich...born April 1, 1990.



**15 - CHELSEY PATTON - OF**  
**5-9 \* Freshman-HS \* R-R**  
**Basehor, Kan.**  
**Basehor-Linwood H.S.**

**Coach Anderson on Chelsey Patton:**  
 “Chelsey has made a good adjustment moving from second base to the outfield. She’s a hard worker and is willing to learn and make

appropriate adjustments.”

**In High School:** A three-time all-conference performer...named second team all-state...also a three-time all-conference performer in volleyball at Basehor-Linwood High School.

**Personal:** Undecided on major...she is the daughter of Bob and Nancy Patton...born March 23, 1990.



**2 - MEGAN SCHALLOM - P**  
**5-3 \* Freshman-HS \* R-R**  
**St. Louis, Mo.**  
**Oakville H.S.**

**Coach Anderson on Megan Schallom:** “Will redshirt this season. We’ll use this year as a year for her to develop especially since we have four good pitchers on our staff. I think by

using this year to develop she’ll reap the rewards in the seasons to come.

**In High School:** An all-conference, all-district and all-state honoree at Oakville High School...part of district championship team that advanced to the state finals.

**Personal:** Majoring in Business management...she is the daughter of Roger and Lynn Schallom...born March 19, 1990.