

Sophomore Defender  
Meaghan Labiak



# 2006 Outlook

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—Head Coach Leslie Wray

## Aiming for the

# CAA Playoffs

Senior  
Tiffany Wilson

Starting her eighth season as the Tigers' soccer coach, **Leslie Wray** knows this is going to be a season unlike any other.

While she has high hopes for this year's team, she realizes she may not be on the bench for part of the season. An expectant mother, she is scheduled to deliver twins sometime before the start of pre-season.

It is possible that she spend part of the season on maternity leave. In that case, **Tina Steck** and **Dave Nesbitt**, the Tigers' assistant coaches, will run the team.

“I know it will be hard for me,” says Coach Wray. “But I have a tremendous amount of confidence in Tina and Dave. We are on the same page and we have the same soccer philosophy. It will be a smooth adjustment for the players.”

With 18 letter winners returning from a team that posted an 8-7-3 record, the Tigers have a very strong nucleus prepared for this season. Coach Wray feels that the strength of the Tigers will be their defense. Last year, the Tigers allowed only 21 goals in 18 games and this defensive unit could be even better.

Junior  
Allison Reinhart

“We have four returning starters on defense and they are all juniors and seniors, so we have plenty of experience,” says Wray. “Plus, our goalkeeper is a junior who will be a third-year starter.”

Senior Brittany Wilson, a fourth-year starter at a central defender position, started every game last season and led the Tigers in scoring. She had four goals on only nine shots, scoring mostly off corner kicks.

“Brittany is a strong physical defender who can be dominant in the air,” says Coach Wray. “She is a very vocal leader who is our captain on the defense. Brittany is a ball winner who is very dangerous on corner kicks. Her competitive edge makes her a very good defender.”

Joining Brittany Wilson as a central defender will be junior Meghan Labiak, a third-year starter. Labiak started all 18 games last season and has started 35 of 36 career games.

“We think Meghan is one of the strongest defenders in the Colonial Athletic Association,” says Coach Wray. “She works well with Brittany in the middle and she is one of the best one-on-one defenders I’ve ever coached. Plus, Meghan is a tremendous ball tackler. She has tremendous quickness and she makes it very difficult for forwards to get around.”

Rounding out the Tiger defense are their wing defenders, senior Tiffany Wilson and junior Emily Sykes.

A very speedy wing player, Tiffany Wilson is a four-year regular who has battled injuries during her career. She has scored four goals and has three assists in the last three years.

“Tiffany is deceptively fast and can beat defenders with an outstanding first touch,” says Coach Wray. “She is a strong defender who can move to attack. She does well in the air and has excellent speed.”

A two-year starter at the other wing defender spot, Sykes started all 18 games last season. She missed the entire 2004 season with a knee injury but made a tremendous comeback.

“Emily possesses good speed and skill,” says Coach Wray. “She is a quick, steady, strong and consistent defender. A technically-sound player, she distributes the ball very well.”

The Tigers also have depth on the defense with junior Samantha Blomquist and sophomore Lauren Palmer. A third-year veteran, Blomquist started five times last year and played in eight games. Palmer also saw duty as a reserve last season.

“Samantha has shown consistent improvement the last two years,” says the Tigers’ coach. “She is a left-footed player with plenty of speed.”

Coach Wray adds, “Lauren is a hard worker who is technically sound. She is a disciplined player who made a lot of improvement in the spring.”

A “red-shirt” freshman last year, Nicole Brown adds depth to the Tiger defense. She was hampered by injuries in the 2005 season but Coach Wray feels she will contribute this season.

“Nicole is a ball-winner,” says Coach Wray. “She is a solid defender with a very strong leg.”

Additional depth comes from freshman newcomer Ashley Ventura, a product of Red Bank Catholic High School in New Jersey. She earned first team All-State honors and led her team to a 17-4-1 record.

“Ashley is a strong technical player who can play either side,” says the Tiger coach. “She should make an impact as a freshman.”

Junior Brandi Daniels returns for her third season as the Tigers’ starting goalkeeper.

Last year, she missed five games with an elbow injury and the Tigers struggled in her absence.

She allowed only 0.86 goals per game and made 66 saves in 13 games. She also posted six shutouts.

“Brandi does a great job keeping us in games,” says Coach Wray. “She has gained a lot of confidence and did a great job in the spring. She is developing into one of the top goalkeepers in the CAA.”

Sophomore Rosie Goldberg returns to lead the Tiger midfield from her central midfield position. A starter in all 18 games as a freshman, she played all 1725 minutes of the season and earned a berth on the CAA All-Freshman Team. She had one goal with two assists last year.

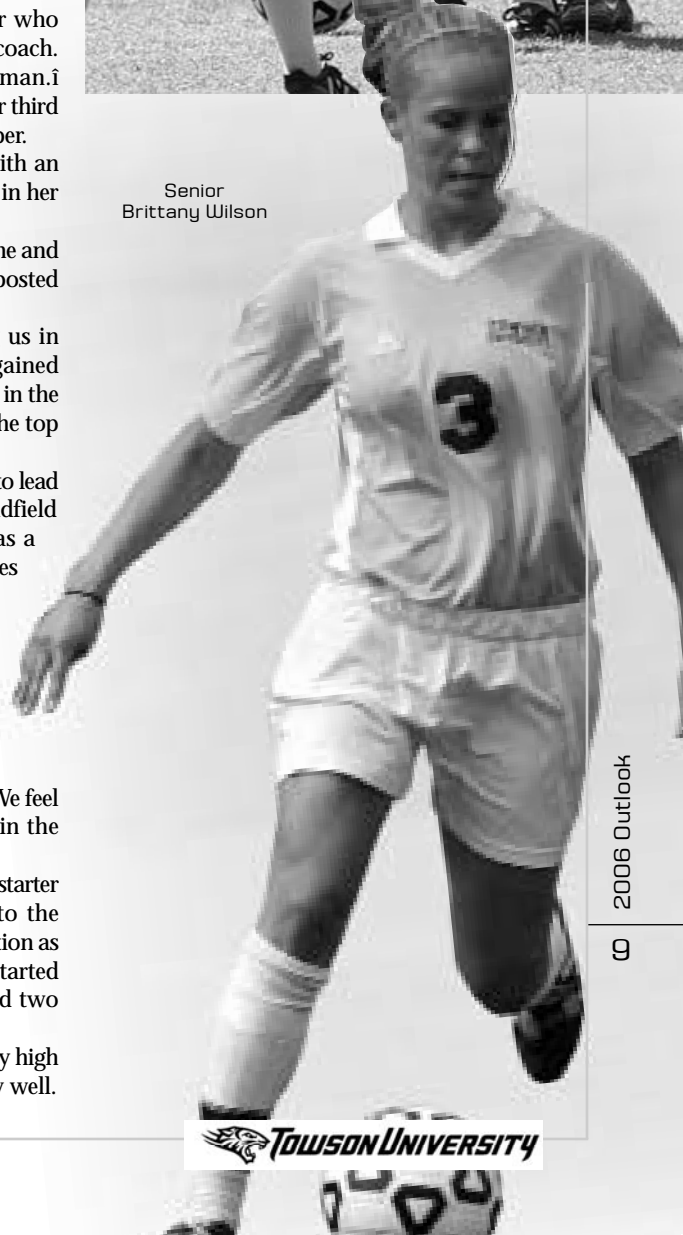
“Rosie has very good field vision,” says the Tiger coach. “She is a strong player who is technically sound and she had a tremendous freshman year. We feel she could be one of the top players in the CAA before she graduates.”

Junior Alison Reinhart is a returning starter in a new position. She has moved to the attacking midfield spot after seeing action as a defensive midfielder last year. She started 14 games as a sophomore and scored two goals with one assist.

Coach Wray says, “Alison has a very high work rate and she strikes the ball very well.”



Senior  
Brittany Wilson



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Her ability to distribute and read the field will help us.†

At the third midfield spot, Coach Wray is expecting one of the team's newcomers to be a starter.

Freshmen Brittany Hadaway, Phyllicia Rosselli and Katie Vavoules bring impressive credentials to the Tiger program.

A four-year starter at the Institute of Notre Dame in Baltimore, Hadaway was a first team All-American as a senior in high school.

A two-time

All-Metro selection, she had six goals and eight assists at IND last year.

Coach Wray describes Hadaway as an extremely strong, physical player who is quick on the ball. She strikes the ball well and has excellent touch.†

A product of William Tennent High School in Pennsylvania, Rosselli earned all-conference honors twice. She also helped her club team win the state championship last year.

†Phyllicia is a technically sound player who could split time between midfield and forward,† says Coach Wray. †She is a very quick player with good field vision.†

A four-time selection as All-Suffolk County, Vavoules led Commack High School to the County championship as a junior. She was also a very successful player for the Eastern New York ODP team and led the team to three state titles.

Says Wray, †Katie is a smooth player with very good vision. She will help us in the mid-field.†

Coach Wray is looking for her team to show offensive improvement. Last year, the Tigers scored 18 goals in 18 games and were shut out five times.

† We did a good job scoring off corner kicks and set plays,† says the Tiger coach. †But, we need to score more goals off the run of play. We have to take more chances and become more dangerous. In the spring, we emphasized individual attacking and being more organized.†

Junior Marissa Gross, a two-year starter, leads the returnees at forward. She was the Tigers' second-leading scorer last season with three goals and one assist.

†Marissa had a great spring and has shown tremendous improvement,† says Coach Wray. †She is dangerous outside the box and we are going to need her to score some more goals this season.†

A starter in 15 games at midfield last year, sophomore Kaitlyn Zamroz was a projected starter at forward this year. However, off-season knee surgery is likely to sideline Zamroz for the entire season. She had two goals and two assists as a freshman.

†Kaitlyn is a very quick lefty who is dynamite on crosses,† says the Tiger coach.

†She is a tenacious player who is very feisty and a hard worker. We will miss her this season.†

Veterans Jamie Swears and Lauren Windsor will also compete for playing time at the forward positions.

A junior who scored two goals last year, Swears played in all 18 games last season. Coach Wray says, †Jamie is a versatile player who has a nose for the ball. She is very feisty and a hard worker. She continues to do well and does well in the air.†

Windsor missed last season with a knee injury but should be ready to play this year.

†Lauren is a very strong player who serves as a target forward for us,† says Coach Wray. †She has a very hard shot who serves the ball well.†

Sophomore Jessica Perocho and freshman Erica Marshall will also see action at forward. Perocho saw limited action last year while Marshall was one of the leading scorers in Western Pennsylvania last season. She had 29 goals with 21 assists at Upper St. Clair High School last year.

†Jess is a very quick player who could also see playing time at midfield,† says the Tiger coach. †She has a lot of speed and should have more of an impact this year. A technically sound player, Jess is very strong on crosses.†

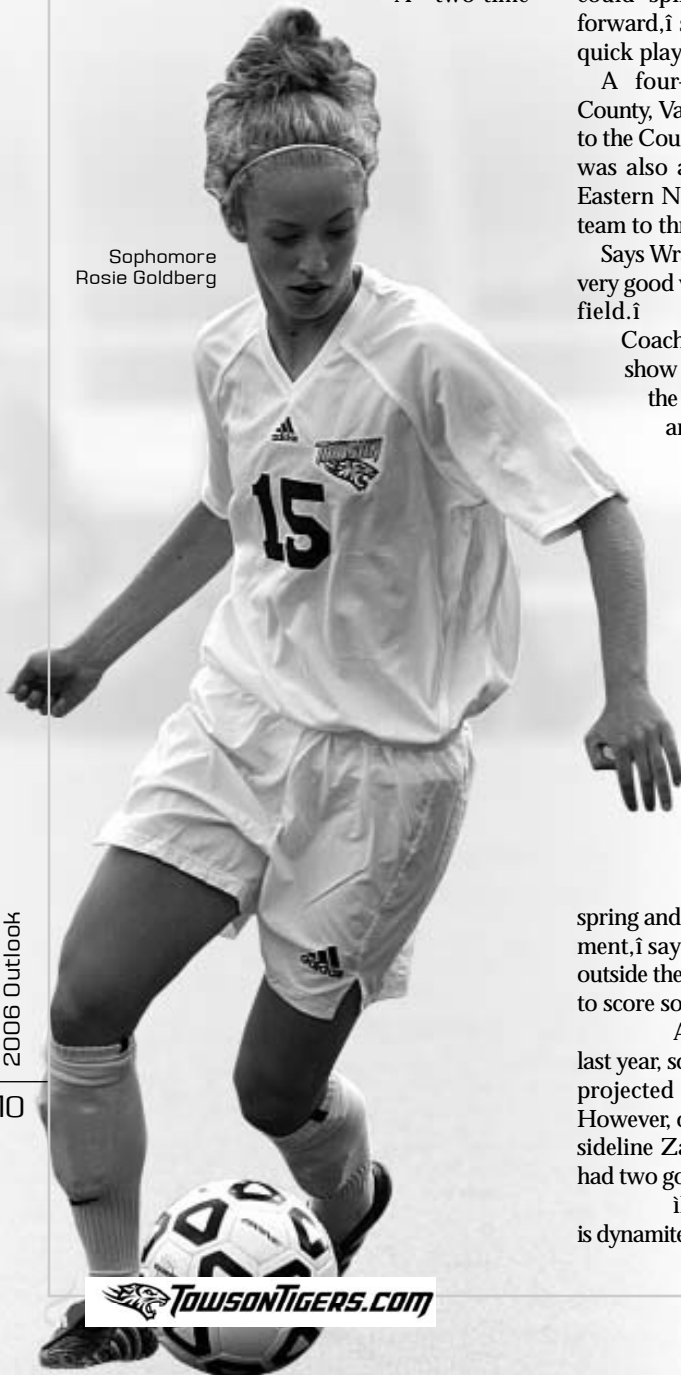
Coach Wray is also very high on Marshall, an All-Sectional player last year. She says, †it's possible that Erica could come in and start. She has plenty of speed and shows a lot of composure around the goal. Erica is a hard worker who should make a quick transition to college soccer.†

Coach Wray is optimistic that the Tigers can show some substantial improvement this year.

†Having a winning season last year, we have a great foundation to build on as we try to improve our conference record,† says Coach Wray. †We had tie games against Maryland, Delaware and William & Mary and those could have gone our way. Plus, four of our losses were one-goal losses.

† We should be better this season because we have more depth and more experience,† she adds. †This season, we need to convert last year's tie games into wins and I feel confident we can do that.†

Sophomore  
Rosie Goldberg



# 2006 Women's Soccer Roster

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No.	Player	Pos.	Cl.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
1	Brandi Daniels *	Goal	Jr.	6-0	Huntington, N.Y./Harborfields H.S.
2	Marissa Gross *	For.	Jr.	5-4	East Meadow, N.Y./East Meadow H.S.
3	Brittany Wilson *	Def.	Sr.	5-6	Frederick, Md./Gov. Thomas Johnson H.S.
5	Emily Sykes *	Def.	Sr.	5-5	Frederick, Md./Gov. Thomas Johnson H.S.
11	Nicole Brown *	Def.	So.	5-11	Odenton, Md./Archbishop Spalding H.S.
7	Samantha Blomquist *	Def.	Jr.	5-4	Holtsville, N.Y./Sachem H.S.
8	Jessica Perocho *	Mid.	So.	5-7	Medford, N.J./Shawnee H.S.
9	Kaitlyn Zamroz *	For.	So.	5-6	Bethpage, N.Y./Sacred Heart Academy
12	Lauren Palmer *	Def.	So.	5-7	Ellicott City, Md./Centennial H.S.
13	Tiffany Wilson *	Def.	Sr.	5-6	Bowie, Md./Eleanor Roosevelt H.S.
15	Rosie Goldberg *	Mid.	So.	5-5	Ellicott City, Md./Centennial H.S.
17	Jamie Swears *	For.	Jr.	5-5	Crofton, Md./South River H.S.
20	Lauren Windsor *	For.	Sr.	5-5	Wallingford, Pa./Strath Haven H.S.
10	Alison Reinhart *	Def.	Jr.	5-7	Bowie, Md./Saint Mary's H.S.
24	Meghan Labiak *	Def.	Jr.	5-7	Bellmore, N.Y./St. Anthony's H.S.
22	Brittany Hadaway	Mid.	Fr.		Pasadena, Md./Institute of Notre Dame H.S.
14	Erica Marshall	For.	Fr.		Pittsburgh, Pa./Upper St. Clair H.S.
21	Phyllicia Rosselli	Mid.	Fr.	5-2	Warminster, Pa./William Tennent H.S.
19	Ashley Ventura	Def.	Fr.	5-4	Lincroft, N.J./Red Bank Catholic H.S.
6	Katie Vavoules	Def.	Fr.	5-2	Commack, N.Y./Commack H.S.
00	Kendie Bauer	Goal	Fr.	5-4	Fallston, Md./Fallston, H.S.

\*returning letter winners (15)

### Head Coach:

Leslie Wray (Maryland, '95) - 8th season

### Assistant Coaches:

Tina Steck (Towson, '01) - 2nd season

David Nesbitt (Morgan State, '65) - 1st season

### Captains:

Brittany Wilson, Tiffany Wilson

### Pronunciation Guide

Samantha Blomquist	BLUM - kwist
Meghan Labiak	LRY - bee - ack
Jess Perocho	Purr - O - cho
Alison Reinhart	RINE - hart
Emily Sykes	SIKES
Kaitlyn Zamroz	Zam - ROSE
Leslie Wray	RAY



### 2005 Tiger Women's Soccer Team

**Front Row (left to right):** Erica Marshall, Emily Sykes, Marissa Gross, Alison Reinhart, Ashley Ventura, Katie Vavoules  
**Second Row:** Meghan Labiak, Brittany Hadaway, Rosie Goldberg, Lauren Palmer, Phyllicia Rosselli, Brittany Wilson, Jamie Swears, Jessica Perocho

**Back Row:** Assistant Coach Dave Nesbitt, Athletic Trainer Melissa Marshall, Head Coach Leslie Wray, Tiffany Wilson, Kaitlyn Zamroz, Nicole Brown, Brandi Daniels, Kendie Bauer, Samantha Blomquist, Lauren Windsor, Assistant Coach Kristin McHugh, Athletic Trainer Mike Taylor, Athletic Trainer Sue Goldman, Assistant Coach Tina Steck