What’s going on...

-The Redhawks capped off the 2010-2011 season with a 87-66 win over Longwood University in the Florida Gulf Coast Tournament.

-The team just started spring workouts getting ready for next season. They are in the gym and weight room working hard!

-Coaches have already been out on the recruiting trail checking out some great talent this spring.

-Upcoming Key Club Meeting: May 18th 6-7:15 p.m.

Coach B’s Corner

Greetings Redhawk fans!

This has been a very busy off-season for our women’s basketball program. We have signed 6 new players for next year’s team that range in height from 5’6”- 6’7”! You can read about all our signees in our newsletter. Here are a couple of players you should keep an eye on for next season: Jessi Williamson is a 6’7” post player from Tacoma, WA and she is the tallest player to don a Redhawk jersey. She set a Washington state record of 19 blocks in one game! We have also added Talisa Rhea, a 5’11 forward transfer from Oregon State. Talisa will be eligible to play this fall and is a prolific 3-point shooter. Additionally, we have hired a new assistant coach to our staff, Dorena Bingham. Dorena has been a very successful high school coach in Anchorage, AK. Most recently, she was on the staff for the USA U17 Basketball team that won the gold medal in France. On top of that, she is a Seattle U grad. Welcome Dorena!!

We are very excited about the 2011-2012 season and our future. Our returning players are working hard lifting weights and doing individual workouts with their position coaches. Our future is very bright and we want you to get on board. Support your Redhawks...buy season tickets, become a member of the ‘Key Club’ and go to games. The Redhawks are on the move!

Forward Carley Butcher was named Featured Student-Athlete of the Week following the completion of this season. This is the first time Butcher has received this award. In her sophomore season she played in all 30 games, scored 87 points, grabbed 51 rebounds and had 19 steals. Off the court Butcher is a dedicated student-athlete boasting a 3.564 cumulative grade point average.

“Carley is a model student-athlete and a joy to coach,” said head coach Joan Bonvicini. “She is an outstanding representative of Seattle University.”

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What’s the most exciting thing about getting back on the floor?
The most exciting thing about getting back on the floor is getting to play the game I love again. Also, I am excited to play with my new teammates and for new coaches that I have been practicing with all year. I am very excited to be healthy again and have another opportunity to have fun on the court.

What do you miss most about Alaska?
I miss my friends the most, and being able to go home to see them over breaks. I also miss the city itself and the different scenery it provides. It’s always a nice relaxing break from the city.

How did you feel the night you set the Pac-10 record for most 3’s in a single game? (10 3’s in a single game)
That night was a very exciting time for me and one I will never forget. I was very fortunate to have the opportunity and will never forget my teammates that supported me and gave me confidence the entire game.

Favorite Coach B moment?
My favorite Coach B moment was when I got my release and called her to tell her I wanted to come to Seattle U. She was very excited and positive about my future here in Seattle and instantly made me feel comfortable and happy to be a Redhawk.

Who was the biggest influence on you growing up as a basketball player?
Even though I have been fortunate to play for many great coaches, my Dad was probably the biggest influence on me growing up as a basketball player because he was who got me started. I used to go to the gym all the time to watch him play in city leagues and he was who coached my teams up until middle school and who spent the most time with me developing me as a basketball player.
In the offseason the Redhawks still devote time to developing their skills on the court but they have an opportunity to pursue other interests. Check out what some of the Redhawks are up to.

Senior guard Talisa Rhea will be interning with the strength and conditioning coaches in the athletic department. Talisa is very interested in this area and will work with other sports teams to learn more about the profession.

Sophomore guard Amani Butler will be interning with the athletic department in the off season. She will be helping with special event coordination.

Sophomore forward Carley Butcher will also be working within the athletic department. Butcher has an interest in marketing and promotions and will be learning more about this profession within the athletic field.

The Redhawks concluded their 2010-2011 season March 14th, with their team banquet. Junior co-captain Elle Kerfoot was named the team’s Most Valuable Player. Kerfoot scored in double figures in Seattle U’s final 14 games. Kerfoot is second all time in threes made in a single season, with 67. Sophomore transfer Daidra Brown was voted Defensive Player of the Year. Brown led the team with 96 steals, breaking Seattle U’s all-time single season individual steal record and finished the season ranked 7th in the nation in steals in Division I. Freshmen Ashley Ward earned Most Improved Player honors. Ward worked her way into the starting lineup and was a consistent performer for the Redhawks. Senior Julee Christianson was the team’s top student-athlete in the classroom, earning her the Academic Excellence Award. Christianson has a 3.637 cumulative grade point average as a journalism major. Senior Breanna Salley earned the Coaches Award and Most Inspirational Award. Salley did not compete the last two seasons but has remained active with the team at practice and games.

Sophomore Carley Butcher will also be working within the athletic department. Butcher has an interest in marketing and promotions and will be learning more about this profession within the athletic field.

Seattle U Women’s Basketball team welcomed Dorena Bingham as the newest member of the coaching staff late last week. Coach Bingham is a Seattle University Alum, graduating in 1985. Bingham returns to Seattle U with a wealth of knowledge after spending two decades at the high school and youth national levels. She coached USA Basketball’s U17 and U16 teams to gold medals in 2009 and 2010 in the FIBA World Championships. She will be assisting with all aspects of the program on the floor and with recruiting.

Redhawk Senior Breanna Salley was invited to join the Seattle Storm preseason training camp. Salley participated in a WNBA tryout in Indianapolis at the Women’s Final Four at the beginning of April. Training camp with the Storm will start May 15th. This is the first time a Redhawk has been invited to a WNBA camp.
The Key Club is committed to the development of Seattle University's Women's Basketball Program through the support of our time, talents and treasure. We are passionate about women's basketball and seek to cultivate a connection, common purpose, and sense of community between SU Fans, Staff, and Players. It serves to ignite enthusiasm toward Redhawk Women's Basketball and also to enhance membership by welcoming new members and fundraising in order to provide our program with the necessary support and resources to compete at the highest levels of national play.

**Levels of Giving**

**$100 "RED Zone"**
- Invitation to pre/post-game receptions
- E-mail updates
- Newsletter
- Invitation to watch private practice

**$250 "Joan Zone" Membership**
- Red Level Bonuses PLUS...
- “Joan Zone” T-shirt

**$500 "Black Zone"**
- Joan Zone Level Bonuses
- PLUS...
- (1) ticket to end of year banquet
- Guest coach – game of your choice from available games
- Signed SU Women's Basketball

**$1,000 "Rebounders"**
- Black Level Bonuses PLUS...
- (2) general admission season tickets
- (1) additional ticket to end of year banquet (2 total)
- Pre-game training table with team
- Dinner with Coach B and/or entire coaching staff

**$5,000 "Fab Five"**
- Rebounders Level Bonuses
- PLUS...
- (2) additional general admission season tickets
- (4 total)
- (2) game tickets, bus with team and lodging
- Round of golf with Coach Bonvicini

To join The Key Club follow the link below and click on Booster Club.

http://www.coachbonvicini.com/

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**Summer Plans**

“I’m most excited about having the new girls move out here and workout with us and play pickup.”

Carley Butcher

“I’m most excited to be on the beach again!”

Ashley Ward

“I’m just excited to play after this injury and get back to playing with my team and being on the floor. It’s a different feel playing with my teammates than it is cheering for them from the sideline.”

Maggie McCarthy

“I’m excited to go home and see my friends and visit my family in Mexico.”

Sylvia Shepherd

“I’m excited to be back in the California sun with my friends and family and help out with youth basketball camps.”

Kacie Sowell
Brenda Adhiambo
Position: Forward
Height: 6’
Hometown: Mombasa, Kenya
Experience: Lon Morris Junior College
AVG: 19 pts, 12 rebounds, 5 steals per game

Jessi Williamson
Position: Center
Height: 6’7”
Hometown: Tacoma, WA
Experience: Mt. Tahoma High School
AVG: 8.5 pts, 12.9 rebounds, 6.2 blocks per game

Kim Flournoy
Position: Guard
Height: 5’8”
Hometown: San Diego, CA
Experience: Horizon Christian Academy
AVG: 16.7 pts, 8.6 rebounds, 2.9 assists per game

Monique Abbs
Position: Guard
Height: 5’8”
Hometown: Phoenix, AZ
Experience: Moon Valley High School
AVG: 18.2 pts, 2.4 rebounds, 2.0 steals per game

Renee Dillard-Brown
Position: Forward
Height: 6’1”
Hometown: Seattle, WA
Experience: Garfield High School
AVG 7.3 points, 6.3 rebounds per game