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JACKIE DeVANE

Head Women's Basketball Coach

PERSONAL

Birthdate: April 12, 1961
Birthplace: Philadelphia, Pa.
Hometown: Philadelphia, Pa.
Family: 2 children: son Sean (18), daughter Marquita (8)

EDUCATION

High School: Germantown HS [Philadelphia] (1979)
College: Delaware State, 1983 (bachelor's); Penn State, 1987 (master's)

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

1979-83 Delaware State

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1987-92 Cheyney (head coach)
 1987-92 Cheyney (head coach - volleyball)
 1995-2000 Delaware State (head coach)
 2000- Monmouth University (head coach)

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

1995-2000 Senior Woman Administrator

COACHING AWARDS

1996 MEAC Coach of the Year

Monmouth University athletics director Dr. Marilyn McNeil officially introduced Jackie DeVane as the school's new women's basketball head coach on April 21, 2001 and the program has moved full steam ahead ever since.

DeVane, who brought 10 years of collegiate head coaching experience to the Jersey Shore, became the University's fourth coach in its 19-season stay as a Division I member.

In her first season in the Northeast Conference, DeVane led the Hawks to a 14-13 overall record and a 10-8 finish in the league. With all-conference performers, Michelle Cappadona and Amanda Rosato in the mix, DeVane's squad just missed the NEC Tournament. But the Hawks, reloaded after losing five seniors to graduation, are ready and aimed towards joining the conference's elite this season.

The Monmouth women's team, under DeVane, looks to make a run at the NEC Championship and grabbing its first NCAA Tournament bid since 1986.

The Philadelphia, Pa. native, arrived in West Long Branch after a successful coaching stint at Delaware State University. She served as the skipper at her alma mater from 1995-2000. During the five-year stint she registered a 63-70 record. Following the 1995-96 campaign, in which DSU registered a 14-12 record, DeVane was tabbed the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference's Coach of the Year. During that season, the Hornets posted their best conference mark in 10 seasons and put together a school-record nine-game winning streak. In her final season at Delaware State, DeVane led the Hornets to an 11-17 mark and a seventh place finish in the MEAC.

During her tenure at DSU, DeVane also served as the University's senior

During her final season she was a NAGWS All-America candidate and she still ranks among the school's all-time leading rebounders. DeVane led the Hornets in rebounding in 1979-80 (11.4 rpg), 1981-82 (11.2 rpg) and 1982-83 (7.3 rpg). In her junior and senior seasons, she ranked in the the top 10 among the nation's rebounding leaders. During her playing career, DeVane pulled down at least 20 rebounds in a game on four occasions, including a school-record 28 during her freshman campaign. In 1997, DeVane was inducted into the Delaware State University Athletics Hall of Fame.

DeVane is a 1983 graduate of Delaware State, earning a bachelor's degree in recreation. She earned a master's degree in therapeutic recreation from Penn State University in 1987.

DeVane is a member of the Women's Basketball Coaches' Association and the Black Coaches' Association. Prior to her accepting the position at Monmouth, she served as president of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Women's Basketball Coaches' Association.

A veteran of the basketball camp circuit, DeVane has worked at some of the nation's premier camps, including the John Chaney/Sonny Hill Basketball Camp, Syracuse University Basketball Camp and the Florida Atlantic University Basketball Camp, as well as successfully hosting her own Monmouth University camps.

woman administrator.

Prior to her stint at Delaware State, DeVane served as head coach at Cheyney University of Pennsylvania from 1987 to 1992. At Cheyney, she took over a fledgling program that posted a dismal 2-25 record prior to arrival. In her initial season, she improved the Wolves' record by eight games (10-17) and in her third season she led Cheyney to its first ever 20-win season (20-8), its best record in over seven years. DeVane also coached the women's volleyball team while at Cheyney.

As a player, DeVane earned four letters as a member of the Delaware State basketball team. She served as the Hornets' team captain all four seasons.

THE JACKIE DeVANE WORKSHEET

Year	School	Record (%)
1987-1988	Cheyney	10-17 (.370)
1988-1989	Cheyney	12-14 (.462)
1989-1990	Cheyney	20-8 (.714)
1990-1991	Cheyney	9-17 (.346)
1991-1992	Cheyney	13-13 (.500)
1995-1996	Delaware State	14-12 (.538)
1996-1997	Delaware State	7-21 (.250)
1997-1998	Delaware State	8-20 (.286)
1998-1999	Delaware State	10-17 (.370)
1999-2000	Delaware State	11-17 (.393)
2000-2001	Monmouth	14-13 (.519)
TOTALS (11 years)		128-169 (.431)

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MICHELE BAXTER

Assistant Coach



Michele Baxter is in her second season as an assistant coach with the Monmouth University women's basketball team.

Baxter's main coaching responsibilities include recruiting, scouting and on-floor coaching.

Prior to arriving at Monmouth, Baxter served as associate head coach at Tallahassee (Fla.) Community College from 1998-2000. At Tallahassee, she was involved in all aspects of recruiting and scouting.

During her two-year stay, The Eagles compiled a 50-19 record and finished second in the state of Florida both seasons. The squad also finished as Panhandle Conference runner-up in both 1999 and 2000.

Baxter also served as an adjunct professor in Tallahassee Community College's Department of Physical Education during the 1999-2000 academic year.

Prior to her tenure at TCC, Baxter spent eight seasons assisting the boys' basketball program at St. Thomas Aquinas

PERSONAL

Birthdate: December 9, 1964
Birthplace: Oxford, Mich.
Hometown: Oxford, Mich.
Family: Husband (Jim Baxter)

EDUCATION

High School: Oxford (Mich.) HS - 1983
College: St. John Fisher (N.Y.) College - 1987

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

1983-87 St. John Fisher

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1989-96 St. Thomas Aquinas (Fla.) HS
(assistant coach - boys' team)
1992-96 Gold Coast Raiders
AAU Under-17
(head coach - boys' team)
1998-2000 Tallahassee (Fla.) Community
College
(associate head coach)
2000- Monmouth University
(assistant coach)

High School in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Working with her husband Jim, she led St. Thomas Aquinas to five district and two regional titles, reaching the Florida state quarterfinals on three occasions. In addition to her work on the scholastic level, Baxter also served as head coach of the Gold Coast Raiders, an Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) boys under-17 program for seven years. Twenty players coached by Baxter moved on to play college basketball and the team qualified for the AAU National tournament in Winston-Salem, N.C.

A native of Oxford, Mich., Baxter is a veteran of the basketball camp circuit. In 1999, she was co-founder and site director of the Teresa Baker-Atkinson Basketball Camp. She also worked the Pat Kennedy Basketball Camp and the Hoop Dream Juco and High School Exposure Camp in Orlando, Fla.

Baxter graduated from St. John Fisher College in Rochester, N.Y., in 1987 with a bachelor of arts degree in communications. While at SJFC, Baxter was a four-year letterwinner on both the Cardinals' volleyball and basketball squads.



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JIM BAXTER

Assistant Coach



PERSONAL

Birthdate: August 16, 1951
Birthplace: Clinton, Ind.
Hometown: Rockville, Ind.
Family: Wife (Michele Woods-Baxter), Sons (Nate, Quinn, Creighton, Kyle)

EDUCATION

High School: Rockville (Ind.) HS - 1969
College: Indiana State University - 1974

COACHING EXPERIENCE

1979-89 Palatka (Fla.) HS
 (head coach - boys' team)
 1990-96 St. Thomas Aquinas (Fla.) HS
 (head coach - boys' team)
 1997 Florida State University
 (assistant coach)
 1998 Tallahassee Community College
 (associate head coach)
 1999-2000 Florida A&M University
 (assistant coach)
 2000-2001 Memphis Houn' Dawgs (ABA)
 (head coach)
 2001- Monmouth Univ. (asst. coach)

Jim Baxter is the newest addition to the Monmouth University women's basketball coaching staff. Baxter was added as an assistant coach by head coach Jackie DeVane in August.

Baxter's main coaching responsibilities include recruiting, scouting and on-floor coaching.

Prior to arriving at Monmouth, Baxter served as the head coach of the ABA's Memphis Houn' Dawgs, during the 2000-2001 season.

Before his stay in Music City, Jim spent two seasons at Florida A&M University as an assistant coach with the men's squad. In his first year with the Rattlers, Jim helped guide the team to the conference tournament title and a trip to the NCAA Tournament, after an 0-10 start.

Baxter spent one year at Tallahassee Community College prior to moving on to FAMU as the associate head coach. The Indiana-native also spent a season in the ACC, as he logged time on the bench with Florida State University the year the Seminoles collected the National Invitation

Tournament runner-up trophy.

Prior to moving on to the collegiate ranks, Baxter spent six years with St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. As the head coach of the boy's squad, Baxter led the team to three Florida state quarterfinal finishes and five district championships. In addition, Baxter also headed the Team Florida AAU club (1988-90), guiding it to two AAU National tournament finals.

Baxter's longest tenure was his twelve-year stint as Palatka High School's head boy's basketball coach.

Baxter had started his coaching career while still an undergraduate student at Indiana State University, as a volunteer coach for his high school basketball team. After his four years as a volunteer coach and undergraduate Sycamore, Baxter enrolled in graduate school and began his full-time coaching position as the assistant coach at the ISU Development High School.

Baxter brings a strong defensive mind set to the Hawks. His philosophy is, "Defense first, strong fundamentals, solid work ethic, then everything else falls into place."

DANIELLE DAWSON

Assistant Coach



PERSONAL

Birthdate: March 31, 1977
Birthplace: Richmond, Va.
Hometown: Petersburg, Va.

EDUCATION

High School: Menchville (Va.) HS - 1995
College: Hampton University - 1999

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

1995-99 Hampton University

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2000- Monmouth University
 (assistant coach)

Danielle Dawson is in her second season as an assistant coach with the Monmouth women's basketball team.

Her main coaching responsibilities include on-floor coaching of the guards, academics and film exchange.

A 1999 graduate of Hampton University, Dawson brings tremendous experience to the Monmouth fold. A three-year letterwinner at Hampton, Dawson was named the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Rookie of the Year in 1996-1997. As a rookie, the Richmond, Va. native averaged 17.4 points, 3.1 rebounds and 4.3 assists per game and was also named team MVP and to the MEAC Tournament first-team.

In the 1997-1998 season, Dawson was honored with an All-MEAC first-team selection after posting 24.2 points, 3.4 rebounds, and 6.7 assists per contest. The stellar individual season also culminated in a MEAC Conference all-tournament pick. As the team captain, Dawson led the squad to the MEAC Conference championship in both her junior and senior seasons.

Dawson posted career numbers of over 1,200 points in just three years, while at Hampton University.

The daughter of Albert Dawson, Jr., Danielle graduated from Menchville High School in Newport News, Va. in 1995. The 24-year-old Dawson has three brothers, Albert, Duane and Mark.



LaToyah BURKE

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