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### **UGF Falls To Southern Oregon At Townhouse Inn Classic**

**Great Falls, MT** – The University of Great Falls fell to 0-7 on the season as they played another quality team tough but came away with nothing to show for it as they dropped a 97-92 decision to the Southern Oregon Raiders, ranked #18 in the NAIA Division II national poll, on the opening day of the 2009 Townhouse Inn Classic at the McLaughlin Center. In the first game of the two-day showcase, #2 Vanguard University topped the Montana State-Northern Skylights 83-67.

The Argos loss spoiled a fantastic scoring display from junior guard **Kristy Henderson (Aurora, CO/Northeast Junior College)** who poured in a game-high 43 points on 16-of-24 shooting from the field to go with her game-high 12 rebounds. Her 43 points scored is believed to be a school-record total for a single game; it is the highest single game total since the women's basketball program was reintroduced to the university in 2000.

“What can you say,” said **UGF head coach Shawn Chaffin**. “Kristy gave us a tremendous performance tonight but it's been the same recipe for disaster for us in the early part of the season. We had too many turnovers again tonight.”

Southern Oregon was led by the 31 points and 10 rebounds of senior post player **Jacki Speer (Centralia, WA)**. Speer was just 7-for-19 from the field but made the most of attempts from the charity stripe as she banged home 17-of-20 from the line. The Argos were whistled for 32 fouls in the contest which led to 50 Raider free throw attempts, of which they connected on 42 (84%).

**Lindsey Scheffler (Castle Rock, WA)**, a 5'6" junior guard, added 19 points and three steals to the Raider cause. Freshman guard **Gabe Johnson (Corvallis, OR)** chipped in with 12 points and three steals as the Raiders move to 5-0 on the season.

**Kassie Holmlund (Great Falls, MT/Rocky Mountain College)** was next on the UGF score-sheet with 15 points along with a game-high six assists. Sophomore guard **Leslie Saunders (Bozeman, MT/Bozeman High School)** added 12 points and seven rebounds.

The Lady Argos did have the services of 6'4" center **Stasia Holden (Arleta, CA/Cumberland University)** who returned from injury to play limited minutes to aid the UGF frontcourt. Chaffin also got valuable minutes from junior forward **Kirilynn Winkler (Great Falls, MT/University of Montana Western)** who saw her first action of the season after finishing up her season with the Lady Argos volleyball team. Winkler scored seven points and grabbed a team-high eight rebounds.

“We'll regroup and hopefully we put together a good effort on short turn-around time tomorrow,” said Chaffin as they Lady Argos take on the highly touted Lions of Vanguard tomorrow afternoon at 2pm. The Classic finale features Southern Oregon against MSU-Northern at 4pm.

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