

## Assistant named by Collier

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duced winning records, he produced winning players. With the likes of Bobby Jackson (Minnesota Timberwolves) and Bernard Garner, who played two seasons at NU, Campbell has shown he can relate well with his athletes.

Husker center Kimani Ffriend said he met Campbell and was impressed.

"He is a cool guy," said Ffriend, who said Campbell will start working with the players in their individual workouts. "He was laid-back and very confident. He will get along well with the players."

Campbell had a shaky relationship with former NU Coach Danny Nee, as Campbell said Nee had "burned bridges" in a Daily Nebraskan story last year on Husker recruiting.

Not so with Collier.

"I've known Barry Collier for a long time and have great respect for him as a coach," Campbell said. "I know the state of Nebraska quite well, and this is a tremendous opportunity for me. The University of Nebraska wants to win and be the best, and I hope to contribute to that goal."

# Female athlete juggles two sports

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goes back to Ogallala High School, where she enjoyed a storied athletic career, competing in basketball, cross-country and track.

During her senior year in basketball, Buchholz led the state in scoring (21.7) and steals (7.6). She also placed fourth in the high jump at the state track meet.

Most importantly, she led the Indians to the Class B state basketball title over national power house South Sioux City. The victory over the Cardinals, Buchholz said, opened the door for her athletic career at Nebraska.

"It was probably the South Sioux game that got everybody's attention," Buchholz said. "It was a pretty big game, not necessarily for me, but for the town."

"It let everybody know that Western Nebraska is out there."

Cornhusker Basketball Coach Paul Sanderford said he paid attention to Buchholz ever since she went to the Huskers summer basketball camps.

Sanderford asked Buchholz to walk on and play for NU.

According to Sanderford, it hurt Buchholz in recruiting because she didn't play all-star basketball. She

played softball.

"She played with an all-star softball team every summer and didn't go to the camps where they evaluate individual talent," Sanderford said.

Instead of playing for the prestigious Daubart Pinnacle All-Stars basketball team, Buchholz played 104 games over the course of one summer with the North Platte Sensation softball team. The team consisted of western Nebraska's best players.

Buchholz somewhat regrets not playing for the Pinnacle all-star team but said not playing helped get the attention of Nebraska Softball Coach Rhonda Revelle.

"I was coming here because of basketball, then towards the very end he (Sanderford) started talking to Revelle," Buchholz said. "She said we're just happy that you're coming to the university, and sometime if you want to come by and practice we can talk about it."

Revelle had no idea how bad she was actually going to need Buchholz.

After Cindy Roethemeyer tore her anterior cruciate ligament, Revelle had no choice but to call on Buchholz, despite the fact she had been working out with just the basketball team.

"When Cindy went down, we felt that our numbers were low, and the one area that we were thin was the infield," Revelle said.

Sanderford gave Revelle the approval to take Buchholz. She worked out with the team for about four weeks before actually playing.

While the softball team was in California right before spring break, Buchholz was with the basketball team in Kansas City for the Big 12 tournament.

After NU lost to Iowa State, Buchholz jumped on a plane to San Francisco before joining the team in San Jose, Calif. She ended up getting to bed at 3:30 a.m. The softball team left at 7 a.m. to start play in the first of their three games that day.

In less than 12 hours, Buchholz went from mop-up duty against ISU to making a game-winning stop over top-10 California.

Buchholz never thought she would have the immediate impact that she did in softball, but said she owes it all to her teammates.

"My team really helped me out a lot in adjusting to things and telling me on every play what I need to do," Buchholz said. "They've been a big help in letting me adjust."

Revelle is not surprised that Buchholz is making such an impact

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Rhonda Revelle  
NU softball coach

in softball.

"I really felt when I watched her play that she is a play-maker," Revelle said. "She makes things happen and she plays with a lot of confidence, so she really hasn't surprised me."

If Buchholz were forced to choose between one of the two sports she said it would be one of the hardest decisions in her life.

For now Buchholz plans to play both sports for the remainder of her career at Nebraska.

"Right now I'm on scholarship for basketball," Buchholz said. "So next year I might have to do a little bit more for basketball because they're providing my schooling."

"Maybe down the lines it will be softball. It just kind of depends how basketball goes."

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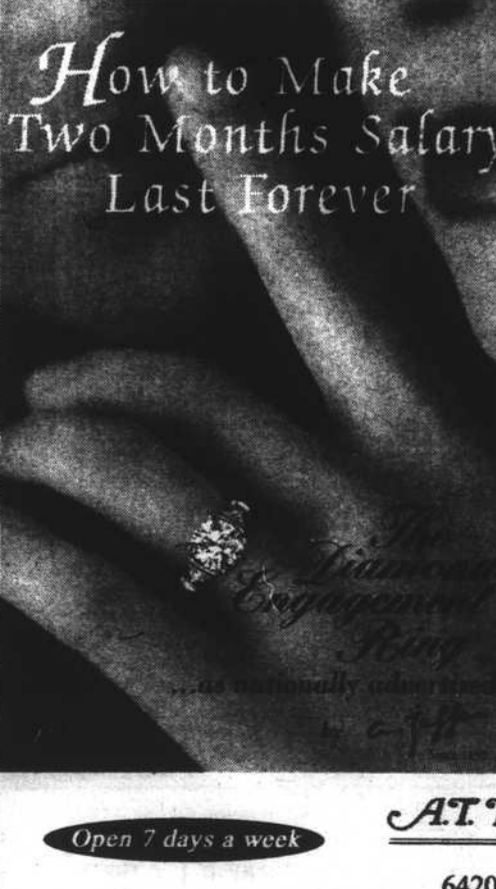
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