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## "NCTA's Men's Basketball 2010 – 11 Season in Review"

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The NCTA men's basketball team had a successful season going 6-5 on a shortened season due to injuries and weather issues. The team was led by second-year player Joel Stryker from Callaway, Neb., and freshman Jed Sekutera from Loup City, Neb. The Aggies scored an average of 62.36 points a game this year, leaving them just outside the top 25 in scoring for the



Team Picture from Left to Right Back Row - Head Coach Jeremy Sievers - Shiloh Holthus - Waylon Christen - Matt Weiden - Jed Sekutera - Joel Stryker - Statistician Samantha Adams

USCAA Men's Basketball Division 2 rankings. Defensively, NCTA gave up just 66.64 points a game putting them at number five in the national rankings. The scoring difference of -4.27 also left the Aggies ranked 18<sup>th</sup> in the nation. The Aggies five three-pointers a game gave them the 21<sup>st</sup> ranking in three-point field goals per game. With new height on the inside this year, NCTA dominated the boards against the competition all season long and is shown by their rankings of 1<sup>st</sup> in both offensive and defensive boards in the USCAA. Overall in rebounding margin, the Aggies ended up 4<sup>th</sup> with a margin of +5.55 and an average of 51.00 rebounds per game and 45.45 rebounds lost per game.

Coach Jeremy Sievers said, "I am pleased with the way the guys worked together and worked through their injury issues and dealt with the disappointment of losing some games due to the weather. The size we got this year on the inside was a big change from the guard orientated offense we ran last year with limited post players. Losing both Joel and Jed is going to leave big shoes to fill next year for the freshman class. Overall we will lose pretty much all of our players either to graduation or transfer this spring and be left with three or four upper classmen to take a leadership role and help the young players adapt fast next season."

Stryker led the Aggies in assist with 84 assists for an average of 7.64; not only did he led the Aggies in assist, Stryker also led the USCAA. He was second on the team in scoring with 224 points for an average of 20.36, which had him ranked 11<sup>th</sup> national in scoring. Stryker also led the team in free throw percentage of .717 and ranked 20 nationally in free throw percentage. Stryker was the third rebounder on the team with a total of 85 rebounds, 31 offensive and 54 defensive. He was ranked 15<sup>th</sup> in overall rebounds and 24<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> respectively in offensive and defensive rebounds. Joel also finished up with five double-doubles on the season and a 15<sup>th</sup> ranking overall in that category for the USCAA. Along with Joel's leadership on and off the court, he was co-player of the week for the USCAA scoring, 50 points in a single game and 95 points over three games in one week. Stryker was also named to the USCAA Academic All-American team for a second straight year. Joel is graduating as one of the top scorers in Aggie history with a total of 907 points. He also holds many of the records for single games and a

season over the last two years and will graduate as one of the best players to ever put on a uniform for NCTA.

Sekutera scored 230 points this year to lead the Aggies with an average of 20.91 points per game and a 10<sup>th</sup> place nationally in the USCAA. Sekutera's shooting percentage of .466 over the eleven games ranked him 22<sup>nd</sup> in the USCAA. Sekutera was the leading rebounder for the Aggies and for the USCAA as well with a total of 184, 73 offensive and 111 defensive rebounds. Sekutera was second on the team in blocks with 17 for an average of 1.55 per game and a ranking of 11<sup>th</sup> nationally. Sekutera was fifth this season in double-doubles for the USCAA and first for the Aggies with a total of ten giving him a double-double in every game but his first ever collegiate game. Sekutera was co-player of the week with Stryker. He had 84 points and 57 rebounds over 3 games to earn his honors. He is going to be transferring to Wayne State College in the fall to complete an education degree and try-out for the Wildcats this fall.

Dusty Metzner from Fall City, Neb., led the USCAA and the Aggies for the second straight year in steals with 38 for an average of 5.43 per game. Metzner was also the 4<sup>th</sup> leading scorer for the Aggies with a total of 62 points in only seven games played this year. Dusty is a hard competitor who will be missed greatly for his defensive efforts and hard play on both ends of the court.

Waylon Christen from Anslemo, Neb., lead the Aggies in blocks with 18 in just eight games for an average of 2.25 and a USCAA ranking of 4<sup>th</sup> place. Waylon was second for NCTA in total rebounds this season with a total of 72, 28 offensive and 44 defensive rebounds. He ranked 7<sup>th</sup> overall in rebounding in the USCAA and 10<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> respectively in offensive and defensive rebounds. Christen was the third leading scorer on the Aggies with 66 points in his injury-shortened season. Christen will be one of the few returning starters for next year if his knee heals up in time for the season. He will be looked to guide the new players in a time of transition for NCTA basketball.

Matt Wieden of Liberty, Neb., was third on the team this season in blocks with a total of 7 and an average of 0.78 blocks per game. This led Matt to be ranked 24<sup>th</sup> nationally by the USCAA for blocked shots. Matt was a solid contributor, playing a lot of time off of the bench the last two seasons for NCTA. Matt's size and strength will be missed next year for the Aggies.

Matt Glynn of White River, SD., was a solid starter this year for the Aggies and although he did not contribute a lot of points his leadership and willingness to play at a variety of positions made Matt a valuable asset. Glynn will be missed next season. His hard play on the court help inspire his teammates to play at a higher level and his willingness to play wherever he was needed will be missed too.

Other players of note:

Brandon Schriener of Loup City, Neb., played in five games for the Aggies this year, scoring a total of three points and a total of thirteen rebounds.

Casey Bringewatt of North Platte, Neb., appeared in five games for the Aggies this year scoring a total of four points and a total of sixteen rebounds

Aaron Couch of Omaha, Neb., appeared in two games for the Aggies and scored four points and had six rebounds.

All stats and ranking information is available at the USCAA website.  
<http://www.theuscaa.com/landing/index>