

Arizona State Results		
DATE	OPPONENT (rank)	RESULT
Feb. 8	#Utah State	W, 13-4 (5)
Feb. 8	#Texas A&M	W, 2-1 (9)
Feb. 9	#Texas Tech	W, 6-1
Feb. 9	#Fresno State (16)	W, 2-0
Feb. 10	#Kansas	L, 2-3
Feb. 10	#New Mexico State	W, 8-0 (5)
Feb. 15	%Illinois State	L, 0-3
Feb. 15	%Iowa (6)	W, 9-1
Feb. 16	%Michigan State	W, 7-2
Feb. 16	%Oklahoma State	W, 1-0
Feb. 17	%Illinois State	W, 3-1
Feb. 22	^Mississippi State (24)	L, 1-2
Feb. 22	^Connecticut	W, 4-2
Feb. 23	^Michigan (10)	W, 6-4
Feb. 23	^Notre Dame (19)	W, 3-2
Feb. 24	^Michigan (10)	L, 1-5
Feb. 26	Eastern Michigan	W, 9-1 (5)
Feb. 26	Eastern Michigan	W, 11-2 (5)
Feb. 27	Hawaii	W, 3-1
Feb. 27	Hawaii	W, 5-2
March 1	Boston College	W, 9-0 (5)
March 2	Boston College	W, 9-0 (5)
March 3	Boston College	W, 8-1
March 8	&San Jose State	L, 0-1
March 8	&Buffalo	W, 2-0
March 8	&Northern Iowa	L, 1-2 (9)
March 9	&Georgia Tech	W, 5-4
March 9	&Long Beach State	W, 1-0 (8)
March 10	&Iowa (17)	W, 5-1
March 13	+Texas	W, 3-2 (8)
March 14	+New Mexico	W, 5-3
March 15	+DePaul (14)	W, 6-5
March 16	+Rutgers	W, 11-1 (5)
March 16	+Arizona (2)	W, 3-0
March 17	+Cal State Fullerton (9)	L, 5-7
March 22	New Mexico	W, 6-2
March 22	New Mexico	W, 4-3
March 29	Arizona* (2)	L, 0-2
March 30	Arizona* (2)	L, 1-10 (5)
April 5	UCLA* (1)	W, 3-2
April 6	Washington* (10)	W, 3-2
April 7	Washington* (10)	W, 6-1
April 12	@ Oregon*	W, 9-1 (6)
April 13	@ Oregon State* (14)	L, 0-1
April 14	@ Oregon State* (14)	W, 6-0
April 19	@ California* (8)	L, 2-3
April 20	@ Stanford* (3)	W, 4-0
April 21	@ Stanford* (3)	W, 1-0
April 26	Oregon State* (16)	L, 0-2
April 27	Oregon* (Fox Sports Net)	L, 2-4
April 28	Oregon*	W, 6-0
April 30	@ Arizona* (2)	L, 3-5
May 3	Stanford* (8)	7:00 p.m.
May 4	California* (5) (KAZ-TV)	7:00 p.m.
May 5	California* (5)	1:00 p.m.
May 10	@ Washington*	2:00 p.m.
May 11	@ UCLA*	1:00 p.m.
May 11	@ UCLA*	3:00 p.m.
May 16-19	NCAA Regionals	TBA
May 23-26	NCAA College World Series	TBA

All home games are **bolded**.

\*Pacific-10 Conference game.

# Fiesta Bowl Tournament, Phoenix/Tempe, Ariz.

% Louisville Slugger Tournament, Tempe, Ariz.

^ NFCA Leadoff Classic Tournament, Columbus, Ga.

& National Invitational Tournament, San Jose, Calif.

+ KIA Classic Tournament, Fullerton, Calif.



Wednesday, May 1, 2002

## SUN DEVIL SOFTBALL

### No. 4 Arizona State Ends Home Slate Against No. 8 Stanford & No. 5 California

**ON TAP:** The fourth-ranked Arizona State Sun Devils (38-14, 8-7 Pac-10) will end their regular season home schedule playing hosts to eighth-ranked Stanford (39-14, 4-11 Pac-10) on Friday, May 3 at 7:00 p.m. and fifth-ranked California (45-16, 9-6 Pac-10) on Saturday, May 4 at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 5 at 1:00 p.m. The Saturday game against California will be broadcast live on KAZ-TV with George Allen and Doug Gerlach announcing. Earlier in the Pac-10 season up in the Bay Area, Cal defeated ASU, 3-2, while the Sun Devils swept Stanford, 4-0/1-0. ASU trails the all-time series against Cal, 47-29, but owns a 26-11 all-time mark against Stanford.

**LIFE'S A BEACH:** Senior All-American pitcher/designated player **Erica Beach** continues to have a career year as a Sun Devil. Beach currently holds Arizona State's all-time record for home runs (27) and RBIs (150), and is third all-time in wins (71) and strikeouts (460). This season, Beach continues to post career-highs for wins, currently at 25 (5 shutouts/6 combined), ERA (1.22) and strikeouts (160). The 25 wins is No. 2 in the Pac-10 and tied for No. 5 in the nation. In the Pac-10, Beach carries a 1.41 ERA, winning seven of the eight Pac-10 games. She is also batting at a .385 clip with four home runs. At the beginning of the Pac-10 season, Beach was one of ASU's main contributors at the plate and in the circle as the Sun Devils defeated top-ranked UCLA once and 10th-ranked Washington twice, earning Louisville Slugger/NFCA National Player of the Week and Pac-10 Player of the Week honors. Offensively, Beach went 4-for-5 with three runs scored, two home runs (including the game-winner against UCLA), three RBIs and four walks. She was also tough in the circle going 2-0 in 12.2 innings, allowing just three runs with nine strikeouts. Beach tallied two wins, helping ASU win the title at the National Invitational Tournament. During the run to the crown, Beach pitched 21 innings, with 18 strikeouts, allowing only one earned run for a 0.33 ERA. Beach recorded her first win, a 1-0 one-hit shutout in the championship bracket against Long Beach State. Beach went eight innings, allowing the one hit for her fifth shutout of the year. In what turned out to be the championship game against 17th-ranked Iowa, Beach came in relief with one out and two Hawkeye's on base and proceeded to get out of that jam. She then pitched four more innings, allowing only three hits with six strikeouts as ASU went on to win 5-1. Against Northern Iowa, Beach pitched eight and a third innings, striking out a career-high 10 batters. After posting a perfect 3-0 record at the Louisville Slugger Classic Tournament, Beach was named the Pac-10 Pitcher of the Week. She tossed her third shutout of the year against Oklahoma State and was a main factor in ASU winning the title as she pitched 21 innings, striking out 13, while allowing only one earned run. The earned run was the first all year, snapping a streak of 39 and two-thirds innings. The honor is Beach's fifth Pac-10 award of her career. At the Fiesta Bowl Tournament, Beach posted back to back one-hit games against No. 16 Fresno State and New Mexico State, flirting each time with no-hitters deep into the games. As a junior, Beach claimed Louisville Slugger/NFCA National Player of the Week, Pac-10 Player of the Week honors and Pac-10 Pitcher of the Week.

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**NFCA/USA Today Top-25**

Team (first place)	Record	Pts.	LR
1. UCLA (27)	44-6	675	1
2. Arizona	44-7	647	2
3. Louisiana State	45-8	620	3
4. Arizona State	38-13	564	5
5. California	45-16	559	6
6. Washington	39-15	518	8
7. Nebraska	42-11	515	4
8. Stanford	37-14	487	7
9. Cal State Fullerton	44-11	462	9
10. Florida Atlantic	55-8	415	10
11. Michigan	39-9	387	11
12. Oklahoma	41-12	382	12
13. Texas	44-10	374	14
14. Fresno State	44-15	329	13
15. Alabama	43-14	285	15
16. Oregon State	35-18	266	16
17. Pacific	39-13	253	17
18. DePaul	36-8	239	18
19. Ohio State	49-9	181	20
20. Louisiana-Lafayette	44-11	179	19
21. Florida State	43-14	128	21
22. Iowa	32-16	94	23
23. Baylor	45-16	71	22
24. Texas A&M	36-14	57	24
25. Georgia	53-13	33	25

**Dropped Out:** None.

**Receiving Votes:** Massachusetts (23), Notre Dame (16), South Carolina (11).

**\*\*Teams in italics indicates 2002 opponents.**

**Arizona State Records**

Pacific-10.....	8-7
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Extra Innings.....	3-1
One Run Game.....	11-6
Two Run Game.....	7-5
Five Run (+) Game.....	15-1
Shutouts .....	12-5
ASU Scores First .....	33-3
Opponent Scores First .....	5-11
Out-Hit Opponents .....	33-3
Out-Hit by Opponents .....	3-10
February .....	16-4
March .....	14-5
April.....	8-5
May.....	0-0
Last 5 Games .....	2-3
Last 10 Games .....	5-5
Current Winning Streak.....	0
Longest Winning Streak .....	8

**THE WRIGHT STUFF:** Sophomore third baseman **Phelan Wright** is picking up where she left off after an outstanding freshman year. Wright has led the team throughout the year in batting average (.440/No. 6 nationally) and doubles (15). She is second in home runs (7) and RBIs (35). Wright also leads the team in multi-hit games (21), multi-RBI games (11) and posted the team's longest hitting streak at 10 games. In six games at the KIA Classic Tournament she batted .700 (14-20) with six doubles, nine RBIs and four runs scored as ASU was the sole Pac-10 team (UA, UW) to advance to the semi-finals of the KIA. In all six games she posted multi-hit games with 20 total bases and a 1.000 slugging percentage, earning Louisville Slugger/NFCA National Player of the Week and Pac-10 Player of the Week honors. In the opening pool game against Texas, Wright went 2-for-4 with a double, knocking in two of the three runs, including the game winner in the top of the eighth. Against No. 14 DePaul, Wright went a perfect 4-for-4 with another double and three RBIs as ASU won its pool over DePaul 6-5. Against Rutgers, she again went perfect, going 2-for-2 (both doubles) with two runs scored and one RBI as ASU run ruled Rutgers, 11-1. In the quarterfinal game against No. 2 Arizona, Wright again provided the firepower, going 2-for-3 with a run scored as ASU shutout Arizona, 3-0. In the semifinals against No. 9 Cal State Fullerton, she went 2-for-3 with one double and three RBIs. At the NFCA Leadoff Classic, she batted .563 (9-16) with four doubles, one home run, six runs scored and four RBIs. As a freshman, Wright was named the team's Offensive Player of the Year after leading ASU in batting average (.399/average was the highest posted by a freshman in the Pac-10 since 1999), hits (67) triples (2) and slugging percentage (.530). She also earned second-team All-Pac-10 honors, Louisville Slugger/NFCA National Player of the Week honors and Pac-10 Player of the Week honors. In 21 Pac-10 games she batted an amazing .418 in the pitching rich conference and posted the team's longest hitting streak at 13 games (fifth longest in the Pac-10). Wright produced a team-high 18 RBIs with two outs and finished tied for second on the team with 17 multi-hit games and third in multi-RBI games (6). Additionally, she batted .530 at the National Invitational Tournament, earning all-tournament honors and led the team in postseason batting average at a .455 clip, earning Region III All-Tournament team honors.

**DYNAMIC DUO:** Seniors **Missy Hixon** and **Nichole Thompson**, who play second base and center field/first base respectively, each contribute to the success of the team in similar ways. Hixon, a three-time All-Pac-10 selection, is a four-year starter and has played in 232 career games ... she has produced 218 hits (fifth all-time), seven home runs, scored 122 runs (career-high 37 this year) and recorded 71 RBIs ... Hixon has also tallied 35 career doubles (fourth all-time) and stole 17 bases ... in 753 career at bats, Hixon has struck out only 39 times (1:19 at bats). Thompson, also a four-year starter, is a two-time All-Pac-10 selection and an All-Pacific Region choice as a sophomore ... Thompson holds a career .339 batting average (seventh all-time) in 234 games ... she has produced 243 hits (third all-time), scored 145 runs and recorded 76 RBIs (career-high 21 this year) ... Thompson has also tallied 28 doubles, five triples, stole 37 bases (tied for fourth all-time) and has sacrificed 62 times ... in 717 career at bats, she has struck out only 38 times (1:19 at bats) ... both players were members of the USA National Softball (Blue) team and were again invited back to compete at the camp this May, 2002.

**HEAD COACH LINDA WELLS:** Coaching her 13th season at ASU and 28th of her career, Sun Devil Coach Linda Wells is one of the most prominent and successful coaches in NCAA history. Wells, who is currently the seventh-most successful active coach in NCAA Division I history with 811 victories, has led the Sun Devils to nine (five consecutive 1997-01) NCAA Regional appearances in 12 seasons, including her first trip to the College World Series in 1999. While at Arizona State, Wells has compiled a record of 460-327 and has had five players earn a total of eight All-American awards. Wells' achieved a coaching milestone that few will ever obtain, winning 800 career games against Rutgers (3/16/02). 2001 featured another one of Wells' teams finishing in the top-10 (No. 9), as well as playing one of the toughest — if not the strongest schedules — in the country (35 teams in the top-25). Wells also produced six Pac-10 Pitcher/Player of the Week honors, two NFCA National Player of the Week honors, two Academic All-Pacific Region choices, seven All-Pac-10 honorees and five Academic All-Pac-10 selections. Additionally, Wells was one of 12 coaches selected to form the USA Softball Women's National Team Coaches pool for the 2004 Olympic Games. She also had five current players earn invitations to participate in the USA Softball Women's National Team Camp. With the addition of seven All-Pac-10 selections in 2001 (the most since the 1990 season), Wells has coached 59 all conference players during her tenure at Arizona State, averaging five All-Pac-10 selections every season. Wells has coached 28 .300 hitters at ASU in her 12 seasons, averaging a combined .330 — not an easy accomplishment in the pitching-rich Pac-10 where games are traditionally low scoring.

**Arizona State Starters & Key Reserves**

#	Name	Yr.	Pos.	B/T	Avg.	Notes
1	Erica Beach	Sr.	P	L/L	.301	Career-high 25 wins, 160 Ks, 7 HRs; batting .385 in the Pac-10
12	Kirsten Voak	Sr.	P/OF	R/R	.136	7-3 with career-high 5 saves; 101 Ks and 14 walks in 81 innings
17	Adriana Garcia	Jr.	C/OF	R/R	.237	28 hits, 4 doubles, 1 HR, 20 RBIs; NFCA JC Catcher of the Year
2	Missy Hixon	Sr.	2B	L/R	.299	Team-high 37 runs; 50 hits, 6 doubles, 1 HR and 13 RBIs
7	Kara Brun	Jr.	SS	R/R	.394	Team-high 9 HRs, 49 RBIs and 63 hits; 11 doubles and 30 runs
13	Phelan Wright	So.	3B	R/R	.440	Team-high in avg. and doubles (15); second in HRs (7) RBIs (35)
23	Nichole Thompson	Sr.	1B/OF	L/R	.385	60 hits, 31 runs 9 doubles, 2 triples/HRs, 12 stolen bases, 18 sacs
4	Kristin Farber	So.	OF	L/R	.291	Team-high 14 stolen bases; 44 hits and 21 runs scored, 11 RBIs
8	Jennifer Forner	Jr.	OF	L/L	.319	29 hits with 16 runs scored and 4 stolen bases; .415 on-base %
9	Kristen Swetel	So.	P/OF	R/R	.250	6-0 with 1 save in 52 innings; 1 home run and 1 triple with 10 RBIs
37	Erin Wardein	Sr.	1B	R/R	.160	8 hits, 5 runs scored with 9 walks and 2 stolen bases
10	Bonnie Brannen	Sr.	C/OF	R/R	.138	21 starts with 1 home run and 6 RBIs, 3 assists
15	Amber Turner	So.	OF	S/R	1.000	Played in 27 games with 7 runs scored and 3 stolen base
16	Blair Holck	Fr.	3B/P	R/R	.000	Played in 23 games with 8 starts, scored 4 runs; pitched 1 inning
5	Kari Reidhead	So.	1B	L/L	.000	Played in 24 games with 5 runs scored
20	Pua Reis	Fr.	OF	R/R	.000	Played in 11 games with 1 sacrifice hit

**BRUN'S A HIT:** Junior shortstop **Kara Brun** has made an impact while wearing the Maroon and Gold, offensively and defensively. Brun is batting a team-second best .394/.370 (Pac-10) and currently carries a career .355 batting average (fifth all-time). She also leads the team in hits (63), home runs (9) and RBIs (49). The 49 RBIs, which is 14th nationally, is also a single-season record along with her nine home runs. Brun is second all-time in Arizona State history in home runs (23), and RBIs (129) and tied for second all-time in doubles (37). In five games at the 2002 NFCA Leadoff Classic Tournament, Brun batted .500 (8-16) with three home runs, one double, three runs scored and eight RBIs. She also had 18 total bases a 1.125 slugging percentage and a .529 on base percentage. Against 19th-ranked Notre Dame, Brun hit two home runs, including a walk-off two run shot with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning. At the time ASU was trailing 2-1. The win propelled ASU into the semifinals of the Silver Bracket. Earlier in the game, Brun hit her first home run to cut Note Dame's lead to 2-1. Brun then won the game in the bottom of the seventh. In the game, Brun went 2-4 with two home runs, two runs scored and three RBIs. Against 10th-ranked Michigan, Brun hit the first of her three home runs in the third inning, a three run blast to put ASU up 6-0. The home run was the difference in the out come of the game as Michigan cut into the six run lead with the final score of 6-4. For her performance, Brun was named the Pac-10 Player of the Week (Feb. 19-24). As a sophomore, Brun earned second-team All-Pac-10 honors, as well as the team's Defensive Player of the Year award while recording a 12 game hitting streak, second longest on the team and eighth longest in the Pac-10. She batted .311 with 59 hits, a team-high 34 runs and also posted team-highs in RBIs (42) and doubles (10). Brun finished second on the team in home runs (6), had a .458 slugging percentage and recorded a team second-best 15 RBIs with two outs. Defensively, she turned 14 double plays, good for fourth in the Pac-10 and led the team with 129 assists. As a freshman, Brun earned All-Pac-10 second team honors, selected to the Region V All-Tournament team and was named the team's Freshman and Defensive Player of the Year. At the plate, Brun led the team in batting average (.352), hits (68), doubles (16), runs (44), total bases (108), and was second in RBIs (38). Brun tied the single-season record in home runs (8) and posted 18 multi-hit games, eight multi-RBI games and held a team-high 16 game hitting streak.

**VOAK'S RESUME:** Two-time senior All-American pitcher **Kirsten Voak** will look to end her outstanding career as one of the most prolific pitchers in Arizona State history. In just her second game in 2002, Voak became Arizona State's career leader in strikeouts, currently with 892 (fifth all-time in the Pac-10), breaking a 20-year old record. She is second all-time in Arizona State history with 76 career wins, making 170 career appearances (second all-time in the Pac-10). Voak also currently has saved 14 career games, five in 2002, good for No. 9 in the country. As a junior she was named the team's Pitcher of the Year and pitched her first career perfect game against Utah State, tossing her fourth career no hitter. Voak earned Pac-10 honorable mention status and was a two-time Pac-10 Pitcher of the Week, giving her eight in her career (fifth all-time in the Pac-10). She finished 14th in the country and second in the Pac-10 with four saves after posting a 15-9 record in 141 innings. Voak also recorded two shutouts (23 career) with 161 strikeouts, held opponents to a .185 batting average, while averaging eight strikeouts a game. She has tallied 18 career double-digit strikeout games. After two ASU record-setting seasons (24 wins, 314 strikeouts/Fr.), (30 wins, 316 strikeouts/So.), Voak garnered her second NFCA All-American honor, was a first-team All-Pac-10 and second-team All-Pacific Region choice and was named the team's MVP and Pitcher of the Year. Last year Voak earned three Pac-10 Pitcher of the Week honors, giving her eight career awards (fifth all-time in the Pac-10) and was named to the NFCA Leadoff Classic and NIST All-Tournament teams.

**Voak's Career Double-Digit Strikeout Games (18):**

15 — Oregon, 7 innings (4/2/00)	12 — Oregon State, 6 innings (4/24/99)
15 — Central Michigan, 8.1 innings (5/20/99)	12 — Nebraska, 7 innings (2/13/99)
14 — Utah, 7.1 innings (3/13/99)	12 — Washington, 8 innings (4/10/99)
13 — Santa Clara, 7 innings (3/10/00)	11 — Utah, 7 innings (3/10/00)
13 — Florida Atlantic, 7 innings (5/22/99)	11 — Illinois State, 7 innings (2/20/00)
12 — Washington, 7 innings (4/8/01)	10 — Oregon, 7 innings (4/27/01)
12 — UNLV, 7 innings (3/26/00)	10 — Oregon, 7 innings (4/25/99)
12 — Iowa, 7 innings (3/17/00)	10 — Utah, 7 innings (3/18/99)
12 — Portland State, 7 innings (2/26/00)	10 — Georgia Tech, 5 innings (3/9/02)

**FIVE SUN DEVILS TO OLYMPIC CAMP:** The Amateur Softball Association selected five current Arizona State players to participate in the USA Softball Women's National Team Camp this past summer at the ARCO Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, California. Senior **Kirsten Voak** (member of the 2001 ASA/USA National Softball (Red) team ... as a pitcher, she helped the team win the U.S. Cup); senior **Missy Hixon** (member of the 2001 ASA/USA National Softball (Blue) team ... won the Pan Am qualifier in Maracay, Venezuela ... played in seven games with five starts ... batted .286 with two runs and two sacrifice hits ... posted a perfect 1.000 fielding percentage, making six assists; senior **Nichole Thompson** (member of the 2001 ASA/USA National Softball (Blue) team ... won the Pan Am qualifier in Maracay, Venezuela ... started and played in all eight games ... led the team in sac bunts (3), fourth in hits (9) and sixth in batting average (.391); junior **Kara Brun** and sophomore **Kristin Farber**. Also, of the 20 schools listed with players competing, Arizona State had the third most representing one school. USA Softball then selected two 16-player teams to represent the U.S. in international competitions at the U.S. Cup in Honolulu, the Canada Cup in Vancouver and the Pan Am Qualifier in Maracay.

**NATIONAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR FINALISTS:** Junior shortstop **Kara Brun** and sophomore third baseman **Phelan Wright** are among 25 finalist for inaugural USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year Award. The Amateur Softball Association, the National Governing Body of Softball in the United States, designed the award to recognize outstanding athletic achievement by female collegiate softball players across the country. The list will be reduced to 10 players May 3rd, and three finalists will be announced May 31st. The winner of the 2002 USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year Award will be announced June 7th.

**NIST CHAMPIONS:** ASU was declared the National Invitational Softball Tournament champion after rain showers made field conditions unplayable at the Pleasanton (Calif.) Sports Complex. The Sun Devils, who posted a 4-2 mark in the tournament, was the only team in the 14-team field to make it all the way to the championship game undefeated, therefore earning the tournament title. The NIST title is the second in the past three years for Arizona State and the third title (1990) for the Sun Devils in the history of the tournament.

**RUNNING WITH THE DEVIL:** Sophomore **Kristin Farber** is looking to keep her pace up from last year when she led the team in stolen bases and was named the team's Freshman of the Year. In 2002, Farber is again pacing the Sun Devils, going 14-for-15 in stolen bases with a .291 average, including 44 hits and 21 runs scored. Farber earned second-team All-Pacific Region accolades and was named honorable mention All-Pac-10 after finishing fifth in the Pac-10 with 16 stolen bases. The 16 swipes were also a team-high and tied for ninth all-time in a single season at ASU. Farber played and started in all 58 games and batted .320, good for third on the team.

**NCAA DIVISION I NATIONAL RANKINGS:** The Sun Devils are ranked nationally in the following categories: Batting Average: (.310/#10), Fielding Percentage: (.969/#15), Earned Run Average: (1.25/#16), W/L Percentage: (38-13; .745%/#24).

**TOUGH SCHEDULE/TOUGHER CONFERENCE:** As in any season, Arizona State will face many of the nation's top teams and traditionally holds a high RPI. Last year, ASU led the Pac-10 in most games played against top-25 teams (35). This year, ASU has played 22 games against top-25 teams, posting a 13-9 mark. Within the toughest conference in the nation, the Pacific-10, ASU will face a nationally-ranked team nearly every time out. Seven of the eight Pac-10 teams are ranked in the top-16, including six of the top eight.

**AIR TIME:** ASU will kick off a new television station in the Phoenix metro area, KAZ-TV, formally KUSK. KAZ will televise the California match up on Saturday, May 4th will a first pitch scheduled for 7:06 p.m.

**BEHIND THE PLATE:** In addition to senior **Bonnie Brannen**, who is having her best year yet, the Sun Devils also have the services of **Adriana Garcia**. The junior has 28 hits, four doubles, one home run and 20 RBIs (16 with two outs). She has also thrown out five runners and picked off two others (second in the Pac-10), while posting a .995 fielding percentage. The pair have held teams attempting to steal to a Pac-10 low 16 times. Garcia was named the 2001 NFCA/NJCAA Division I Diamond Sports National Catcher of the Year and was a 2001 first-team All-American. The two-time all-region and all-conference selection, Garcia played the past two years at Arizona Western College in Yuma, Arizona where she batted .448 with six home runs and 68 RBIs. Garcia recorded a fielding percentage of .991, while throwing out 29 base runners attempting to steal.

**REGIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT:** The Sun Devils will find out where they are going for the postseason when the NCAA announces the 48-team field and the eight regional sites on Sunday, May 12 at 6:00 p.m. The pairings will be carried on ESPNEWS.

**DEVIL NOTES & CAREER/ALL-TIME MILESTONES:** Brun needs three more doubles and Hixon five more for the all-time record (40) ... Voak needs six more wins for the school record (82) ... Wright needs three more home runs for the single season record (10) and four more doubles for the single season mark (19) ... Voak is eight strikeouts away from 900 ... Arizona State has produced a conference leading two NFCA National Player of the Week honors (Phelan Wright, Erica Beach) and a second-best four Pac-10 weekly honors this year (Wright, Beach (2), Kara Brun), combining for 36 all-time ... ASU is 46-58 (.793) in stolen bases ... nearly half (99) of the team's 210 RBIs have come with two outs ... ASU has outscored its opponents 76-23 in the first two innings and 47-17 in the fourth inning ... ASU is six wins shy of a new school record (44) ... ASU leads the Pac-10 in least amount of walks allowed (69) and is second in saves (6) ... left handers are hitting just .184 against ASU pitching, while right handers hit .213 ... ASU has 483 assists in the field to lead the Pac-10 ... nine players have hit at least one home run.

**MEDIA INFORMATION:** All publicity for the ASU softball team are coordinated by Assistant Media Relations Director **Will Phillips** at (480) 965-1237. Any interviews with ASU softball players or coaches should be arranged through Phillips with at least 48 hours notice.