



## 2004 Shaw Lady Bears (4-0, 11-1, 11-12)

No.	Player	Class	Pos.	Bat	Hometown
1	Andrea Blake	JR	1st	R/L	Summerville, SC
3	Joia King	FR	RF	R/R	Clarkston, MI
5	Branda Best*	JR	C	R/R	Alton, VA
7	Felicia Sprattley***	SO	P/SS	R/R	Halifax, VA
11	Shonda Welch**	SR	P/SS	R/R	Halifax, VA
17	Jamie Sharp	SO	OF	R/R	Cleveland, OH
18	India Lopez	FR	1 <sup>ST</sup>	R/R	Jersey City, NJ
22	Taneshia Haynes*	SR	CF	R/R	Summerville, SC
24	Lavonia Cromartie	SO	3 <sup>RD</sup>	R/R	Elizabethtown, NC
25	Syreeta Mason%	SO	UTILITY	R/R	San Diego, CA
26	Tiffany Barnes	FR	OF	R/R	Wilson, NC
28	Dishondra Goree*	JR	LF	R/R	Ft. Wayne, IN

Shaw Leaders	
Batting	
Felicia Sprattley	.413
RBI	
Shonda Welch	24
Runs Scored	
Taneshia Haynes	27
Felicia Sprattley	27
Stolen Bases	
Taneshia Haynes	17
HR	
Dishondra Goree	7
Wins	
Felicia Sprattley	6
K's	
Shonda Welch	55
ERA	
Shonda Welch	3.29

**Bold Senior**

\*Indicates 2003 All-CIAA selection

\*\*Indicates 2003 CIAA Player of the Year and 2003 All-CIAA

\*\*\*Indicates 2003 CIAA Rookie of the Year and All-Rookie selection

% 2003 CIAA All-Rookie

Head Coach: Dianthia Ford-Kee (Fayetteville State '82)

Assistant Coaches: Javaan Lopez, Laura Aker

2004 Lady Bears Schedule/Results			3/22	@Johnson C. Smith	W 18-8 (6), W 24-1 (5)
Date	Opponent	Time/Result	3/23	@Livingstone	W 20-1 (5), W 11-2 (5)
3/3	NCCU	W 9-1 (5), L 6-8	3/25	@St. Paul's	W 19-2 (5), W 15-2 (5)
3/5	Bloomsburg	L 0-9, L 1-7	3/26	@Elizabeth City State	W 6-1, W 12-4 (6)
3/12	vs. Alderson-Broaddus	L 6-15 (5)	3/28	Bowie State	W 8-0 (5), W 7-2
3/13	vs. Fairmont State	L 3-11 (5)	4/4	Virginia State	1:00 p.m. (DH)
3/13	vs. Lander	L 4-14 (5)	4/5	Winston-Salem State	1:00 p.m. (DH)
3/14	vs. West Liberty State	L 3-10	4/6	@St. Augustine's	1:00 p.m. (DH)
3/14	vs. Slippery Rock	L 1-6	4/8	Fayetteville State	1:00 p.m. (DH)
3/19	vs. Kennesaw State	L 0-10 (5)	4/9	Virginia Union	10:00 a.m. (DH)
3/19	vs. GC&SU	L 0-10	4/12	Francis Marion	1:00 p.m. (DH)
3/20	vs. Augusta State	L 5-9	4/15-17	CIAA Tournament Charlotte, NC, TBA	
3/20	vs. AASU	L 0-11 (5)			

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### 2004 Virginia State Lady Trojans (4-0, 11-5, 13-17)

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Class	Hometown
1	Tiya Hines	P/OF	5'9"	Sr.	Petersburg, VA
4	Chiquita Williams	OF	5'9"	Jr.	Washington, DC
5	Doranda Finkley	P/OF	5'7"	Sr.	Warsaw, VA
7	Brecora Broner	SS	5'6"	So.	Petersburg, VA
9	Katrina Rowson	LF	5'6"	Sr.	Chesapeake, VA
10	Amanda Mayes	Utility	5'5"	So.	Philadelphia, PA
11	Carrie Handfinger	SS/1B	5'7"	Jr.	Chesapeake, VA
12	Charlynda Credle	1B	5'6"	Sr.	Charlestown, WV
13	Tishell Blakney	2B/C	5'4"	So.	Charlotte, NC
8	Felicia Comfort	OF	5'7"	Jr.	Washington, DC
16	Lice Ngauja	Utility	5'5"	So.	Hyattsville, MD
19	LaToya Hawkes	3B	5'4"	So.	Nottaway, VA
14	Khadija Yawn	C/SS	5'5"	So.	Rochester, NY
20	Shana Walker	C	5'4"	Sr.	Richmond, VA

Head Coach: Shonda Pegram

Asst. Coach: Tawanda Brown, Shawanda Brown, Arthur Jones

Virginia State Leaders	
Batting	
Tiya Hines	.488
RBI	
Tiya Hines	34
Runs Scored	
LaToya Hawkes	28
Stolen Bases	
Doranda Finley	8
HR	
Tiya Hines	6
Wins	
Doranda Finley	7
K's	
Tiya Hines	89

**About The Game:** This is a doubleheader match-up of last year's CIAA Championship in which Shaw defeated Virginia State 8-5 and 8-1 to win the 2003 CIAA Softball Championship. The winner of this game will have a leg up on the CIAA's eastern division. This is the first meeting of the season between the schools. Shaw has won its last 10 games, while the Lady Trojans are 2-8 in their last 10 games.

**When Last They Met:** DURHAM, Apr. 30, 2003 - A journey that began last Thursday with the Lady Bears losing to North Carolina Central in the first round of the 2003 CIAA Softball Tournament, ended with Shaw winning two games today 8-5 and 8-1 over Virginia State at Valley Springs Park. Shaw scathed off elimination and win its first CIAA Softball Tournament Championship since 1996. Just like the women's cross country team and the women's basketball team, the Shaw women's softball team has done it as well. The Lady Bears will receive an automatic bid to the South Atlantic Regionals. Lady Bear Shonda Welch does not have the highest batting average on the team. She does not have the most runs batted in. She does not have the best slugging percentage. She does not have the most strikeouts. She is just simply the best. Welch a junior from Halifax, VA and the CIAA's Most Valuable Player in 2003 earned the tournament's Most Outstanding Player award. She went 3-for-9 with 3 RBI today. In game two, she pitched seven innings giving up two hits, one run, while striking out 12. In game one, Shaw scored first as CIAA Rookie of the Year Felicia Sprattley's sacrifice fly drove in Tanesha Haynes and Shaw led 1-0. But the Trojanettes would score three runs on starter LaToya Martin in their half of the first to take a 3-1 lead. The Lady Bears would cut their deficit to 3-2 in the second as Welch drove in Haynes. In the top of the fourth, Welch drove in what turned out to be the game-winning runs as her two-run double scored Haynes and Dishondra Goree and gave the Lady Bears a 4-3 lead. That double capped off a five-run inning in which the Lady Bears took a 7-2 lead. From that point Martin was in control of the game. She went seven innings, striking out five to pick up her 27th win of the season (27-8), a school record. She was 5-1 during the tournament. In game two, the story again was Welch. Shaw would score first as Branda Best's double drove in Sprattley. Welch pitched brilliantly, overpowering most of the Trojanette hitters, carrying a no hitter in to the top of the sixth. With one out in the inning, Tiya Hines, who was also pitching a brilliant game, homered to tie the score at 1-1. In the Lady Bear half of the sixth they broke the game wide open, sending 10 batters to the plate. Syreeta Mason's two-run double scored Natasha Bain and Andrea Blake and gave the Lady Bears a 3-1 lead. The Lady Bears would score four more runs as they recorded five hits and the Trojanettes had five

errors in the inning. Welch, Martin and Best were named to the all-tournament team.

**Celebration Time:** The Shaw softball team celebration from the Lady Bears winning last year's CIAA Championship will take place on Wednesday Apr. 7 at 11:00 p.m. in Spaulding Gym.

**Shaw Sweeps Weekly Honors, Almost:** Of the five weekly softball honors that the CIAA gives out, the Lady Bears received four of the honors including Player of the Week, Picher of the Week, Offensive Player of the Week and Coach of the Week. Shortstop Felicia Sprattley was named CIAA Player of the Week after batting .487 with two homeruns and 13 RBI. She recorded five triples and four doubles to boot and had a slugging percentage of 1.000. The sophomore from Halifax, VA currently leads the team in batting (.413). Pitcher Shonda Welch was named CIAA Pitcher of the Week. The senior from Halifax, VA had a dominating week going 5-0 with one save and an ERA of 0.97. She struck out 41 and opponents batted only .074 against her. Welch, last year's CIAA Player of the Year, is 5-5 with an ERA of 3.29. She is also batting .306 with 24 RBI. Dishondra Goree was named CIAA Offensive Player of the Week. The senior from Fort Wayne, IN batted .577 with one homerun and 15 RBI. Her four doubles and four triples helped her to have a slugging percentage of .923. Goree is batting .403 with 7 HR and 23 RBI. She has a slugging percentage of .952.

**Big Numbers:** Leftfielder Dishondra Goree is having an outstanding season for the Lady Bears. The senior from Fort Wayne, IN has is amongst the league leaders with seven homeruns, is batting .413 and has a slugging percentage of .952.

**All-Around Player:** Shonda Welch is one of the CIAA's best all-around players. The senior from Halifax, VA and last year's league MVP is batting .306 with 24 RBI. Shaw is also an outstanding pitcher as she has a record of 5-5 with an ERA of 3.29. Opponents are batting just .256 against her. She has also struck out 55 batters.

**The Sophomore Campaign:** Shortstop/Pitcher Felicia Sprattley is having an outstanding sophomore campaign. The Halifax, VA native and last year's CIAA Rookie of the Year is batting .413 and has been the leadoff batter for most of the season. She has only struck out five times in 75 at bats.

**The Perfect Thief:** Tanesha Haynes is perfect on the base paths, having stolen 17 of 17 bases. The senior from Summerville, SC stole 14 of 19 bases all of last season.