

An Inside Look at

LEHMAN COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Shreffler Makes Mark On Lehman Softball

In a season where victories have been hard to come by for the Lehman College women's softball team, a bright spot has emerged for this season's squad.

Annie Shreffler is a rightfielder for the Lehman squad. What makes Annie unique is that she is thirty-five year old English and Music major, who is married, has two children, possesses a 3.67 grade point average, and is a volunteer for the Lehman College newspaper. If that isn't enough, she is also a writer for the school newspaper (The Meridian), and currently taking eighteen college credits toward her degree.

Annie is fortunate to have a supportive family. She is happily married to her high school sweetheart, Dr. Wayne

Shreffler, and they have a two wonderful children in Addy (14 years old), and Katie (11 years old). The whole family is encouraging of Annie's career, and is frequent visitors at the softball contests at the South Field on the Lehman College campus.

"The coaching staff here at Lehman has been very supportive of my personal life," said Schreffler. "My schedule becomes very difficult at times, and they assist me in every way possible."

Annie has also been a reliable voice for her younger teammates. Her mature views give the inexperienced Lehman players a calming voice they can relate to. The Lightning have needed a leader like Schreffler this season as they have struggled this season going 5-18 overall, and fighting to hold the sixth seed in the CUNY

conference playoffs which begin next week.

"It is a bonus to have someone like Annie on our team," said sophomore outfielder Shirley Arrieta. "There are many times that we may have problems that we can go to Annie and ask for advice, and she is very helpful."

Even though Shreffler has only played in eleven games this season, Annie is currently the Lightning's second leading batter, with a .333 average. Her slugging percentage of .467 ranks second on the Lightning, and gives Lehman a legitimate power hitter in the line-up.

"Annie has been a special player for us this season," said Lehman College head coach Kim Santoiemma. "Her ability to balance athletics, school, and



Sophomore Anne Shreffler

family is a true testament to her personality." Shreffler is currently on pace to graduate in

2007, and was recently named to the Dean's List, and was selected as a CUNY Scholar Athlete.

Lehman's Arrieta Leads Nation in Triples



Sophomore Shirley Arrieta

Bronx, NY- Lehman College shortstop Shirley Arrieta is currently leading the nation in triples per game, with an 0.64 average (11 triples) according to the latest statistics provided by the NCAA.

Arrieta, a team captain on the women's basketball team is currently leading the Lightning in slugging percentage (.648), and has been a bright spot in a down season for Lehman. Lehman is currently in sixth place in the CUNY conference, and preparing for the upcoming conference tournament.

"This season has been a real challenge for me this year," said Arrieta. "I am very honored to lead the nation in triples, but I would trade the accomplishment in order for my team to be a little

more successful in the wins column."

Arrieta was a key reserve in the women's basketball team 18-9 season. Her play

helped lead Lehman to the CUNY conference semi-finals where they eventually lost to conference champions College of Staten Island.

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