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APRIL 13-17, 2015

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For more details, contact:

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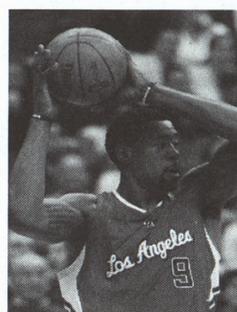
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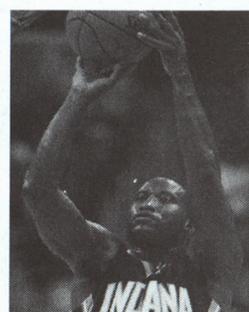
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Deandre Jordan



Donald Sloan



Khris Middleton

## Trio of former A&M hoops stars set to take pro basketball's biggest stage

By Carter Karels

March Madness may be over, but basketball certainly isn't. With the NBA playoffs starting Saturday, a handful of teams are still battling for a bid, while few have the luxury of coasting and resting until the weekend.

And though A&M hasn't made the NCAA tournament in recent years, a handful of Aggies could factor into the NBA championship hunt — Deandre Jordan (Clippers), Donald Sloan (Pacers) and Khris Middleton (Bucks).

Jordan, who played with the Aggies for just one year in the 2007-08 season, is producing his best year, especially on the defensive side. While free throws are his demise, Jordan takes advantage with his length and boasts the highest field goal percentage in the NBA at .709, while second place

shoots just .575. He ranks fourth in double-doubles, and averages 11.4 points per game while grabbing 14.9 rebounds, which leads the league.

The center, who is in a contract season for the Clippers, the Western Conference's third-seed, has many convinced that he will win the Defensive Player of the Year, including his head coach, Doc Rivers.

"If anybody else gets that award, we need to have an investigation," Rivers said at a press conference.

The Pacers (37-43) needed a point guard to pick up the slack after George Hill and Paul George missed time with injuries, so Sloan saw lots of playing time early in the season. He averages 7.7 points and 3.7 assists.

Since George's return, the Pacers have mustered a run that could very well send them to Atlanta Saturday.

The team is tied for eighth place, while the Hawks are the definite 1-seed.

In head coach Jason Kidd's first year with the Bucks (40-40), he already has them set as the 6-seed in the playoffs, and they will most likely face either the Toronto Raptors or the Chicago Bulls.

The Bucks (40-40) haven't won a playoff series since the 2000-2001 season, but Middleton could lift them over the hump. Middleton's contract ends after this year, and he is a hot commodity in the eyes of many NBA teams, including the Bucks. Heads turn at the analytic numbers he posts, as Middleton ranks No. 8 in the NBA in real plus-minus.

While it isn't likely that any Aggies will face each other, there will be a much bigger Texas A&M presence in these playoffs than in recent years.

## WALK-UP CONTINUED

better I'm certainly all for whatever song they want," Childress said.

Although the players do the bulk of the work in selecting a walk-up song, the process always goes through the public address announcer, Rick Hill, who has the final say. Hill is in his 23rd season as the public address announcer, and said he likes the players to pick a song that motivates them.

Hill said he likes all kinds of music, and he takes pride in making sure the songs played will appeal to as many fans as possible. When speaking to the players about what songs they should or should not pick, Hill said he is sure to remind them that people of all ages come to Aggie baseball games.

Hill said junior Matt Kent has been the "music guy" for the team.

"Matt Kent and I work really close together," Hill said. "People don't know this but when they scrimmage in the fall, Matt Kent actually announces and runs the com-

puter and all that and he actually does a really good job."

Baseball at A&M is surrounded with superstitions, whether it is the rally-cap, batting stance rituals or not stepping on the foul line. Childress said walk-up songs play a similar role.

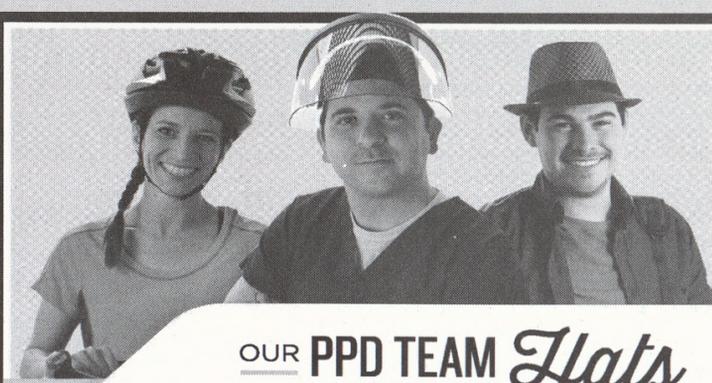
"Baseball, so much of it is superstition and, you know, if they're playing well and things are going well for them and you'd probably be hesitant to change," Childress said.

Hill said it is not uncommon for him to make a change in a player's song if they are not doing particularly well, citing an example involving Nottebrok this season.

"I actually made the decision on my own this year to go back to [Logan's] last year's song," Hill said. "I think he got a hit that game [too]. Every once and a while I'll make that call for them just to see if I can shake up the mojo."

The walk-up song is much like any other Aggie baseball tradition — there's always more to the story.

For a video montage of Aggie walk-ups, go to [TX.AG/BATT36](http://TX.AG/BATT36)



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