



OVER & BACK

WOMEN'S EDITION

Economical Tour Options Available

2009 SUMMER TOURS STILL AN OPTION

Don't let a tight budget keep you from looking into a foreign tour this summer. Economical options do exist for teams on a budget! One method is to travel to nearby destinations such as Canada, Mexico or the Bahamas. Each country offers good competition and excellent sightseeing opportunities while keeping the costs down. Still prefer an extended tour to a faraway destination? You can help finance a summer tour by:

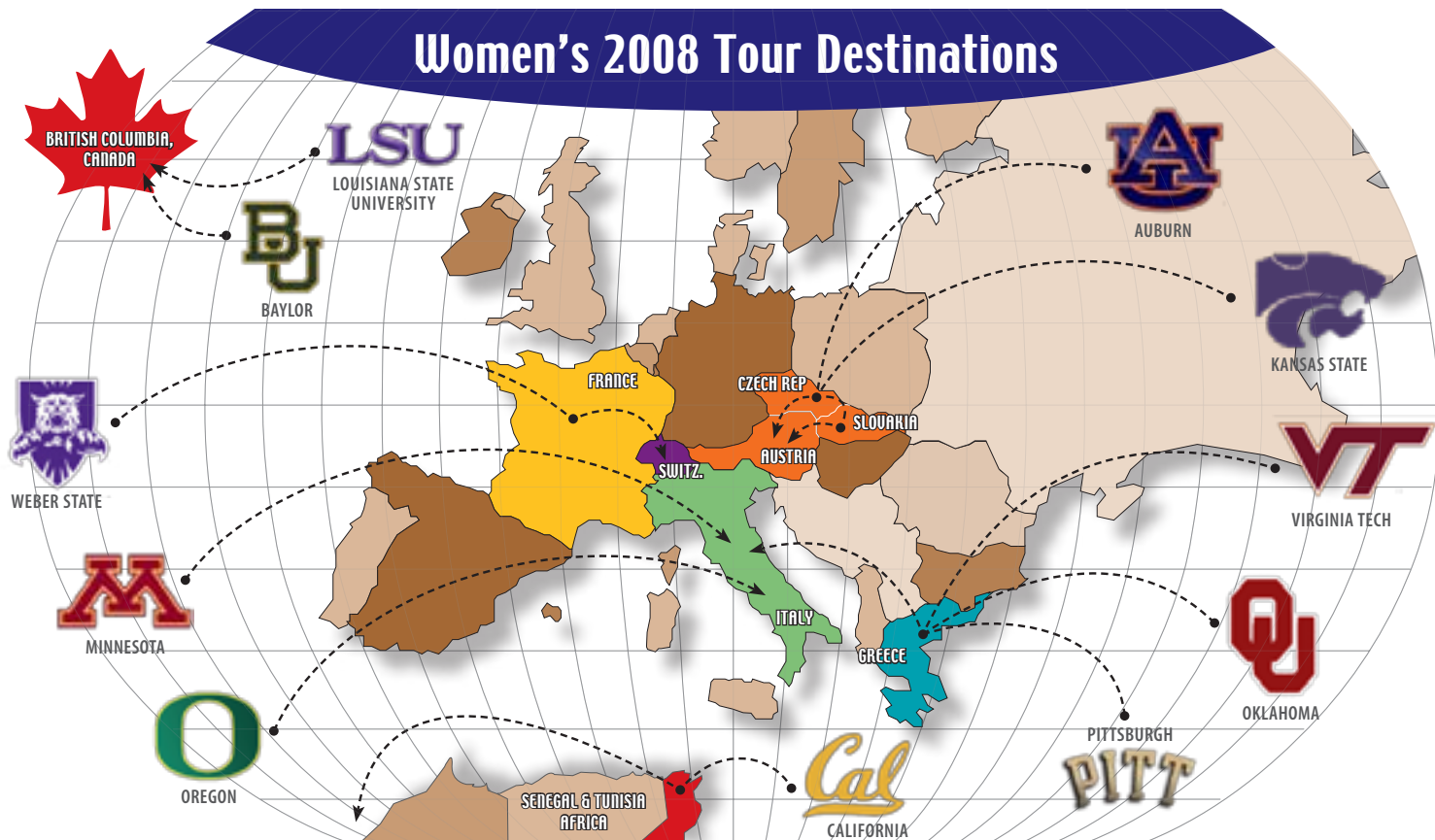
- Participating in a Basketball Travelers' 2010 MTE event
- Splitting the cost of a summer tour over two yearly budgets with ZERO interest

Whether or not you face budget issues, summer tours allow your team to gain extra game experience and build team chemistry. And the ten days of practice prior to your tour always give you a head start on teaching those skills and team concepts that other schools won't cover until October.

TOUR DESTINATION OPTIONS INCLUDE: Europe, Australia, Africa, Canada, Mexico and the Bahamas

TOUR TEAMS: SUMMER 2009: Stanford, Utah, Indiana, Wisconsin-Green Bay, San Francisco, Georgia Tech, Syracuse, Clemson

Women's 2008 Tour Destinations



Look for us at the WBCA Convention in Saint Louis – BOOTH #309!

CAL BEARS, WISCONSIN WIN IN PARADISE

The California Bears lived up to their then-No. 3 ranking and more by winning the Reef Division championship in dominating fashion over Iowa, Texas Tech, and South Florida. Cal's Ashley Walker was named Reef Division MVP and recorded an impressive 32 points in the championship game over Iowa. In the Island Division championship game, the Wisconsin Badgers pulled off an upset over the No. 6/7 Baylor Bears, 59-58. The Badgers' Alyssa Karel turned in an MVP performance by hitting the game winning jumper with 7 seconds left and leading her team with 15 pts.

The 2009 Paradise Jam continues the tradition of stiff early-season competition with another strong field including: Notre Dame, San Diego State, South Carolina & Texas; Mississippi State, North Carolina State, Oklahoma & Rutgers.

The U.S. Virgin Islands Paradise Jam at University of the Virgin Islands is a 3-for-2 MTE tournament held annually in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. Games are played at the state-of-the-art Sports and Fitness Center on the U.V.I. campus. The 2009 field has been filled and only a few spots remain for the 2010 tournament.

Call now for entry into 2010 and beyond or go to ParadiseJam.com for more details.



California women celebrate winning the Reef Division championship of the 2008 Paradise Jam.



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U.S. Virgin Islands Paradise Jam - St. Thomas USVI - 3-Game MTE - Thanksgiving

2008 CHAMPIONS: California & Wisconsin
2009 FIELD: Mississippi State, Oklahoma, Notre Dame, Rutgers, San Diego State, South Carolina, Texas; 1 team TBA
2010 FIELD: Georgia Tech, Iowa State, Virginia, West Virginia; 4 teams TBA



Junkanoo Jam - Grand Bahama Island - 2 Game Non-MTE - Thanksgiving

2008 CHAMPIONS: North Carolina & Florida
2009 FIELD: George Washington, Indiana, Kansas, Marist, Michigan State, Minnesota, UNC Charlotte, Oklahoma State, S. Dakota State, TCU, Virginia, Xavier
2010 FIELD: 8 teams needed



Surf 'N Slam - San Diego, CA - 2 Game Non-MTE - Dec. 26-31

2008 CHAMPIONS: San Diego (Maggie Dixon Torero Div.); San Diego State (Aztec Division)
2009 FIELD: San Diego, Boston College, California, Nevada; San Diego State, Auburn, Valparaiso, Wake Forest
2010 FIELD: San Diego, San Diego State; 6 teams needed



Basketball Travelers Tournaments

2008 CHAMPIONS: New Mexico (Tip-Off)
2009 FIELD: Classic: Purdue (host), Dayton, Georgetown, Seattle University
 Tip-Off: Texas Tech (host), Prairie View A&M, Univ. of San Francisco, Univ. of Texas Arlington
2010 FIELD: Available to Host

World Vision Classic - Various Hosts - 3 Game MTE - Various Dates

2008 CHAMPIONS: Illinois State (Invitational), Iowa State (Classic)
2009 FIELD: Classic: Baylor (host) Idaho, Louisiana-Lafayette, Lamar
 Invitational: Oregon (host) Cal State Fullerton, Portland State, Wisconsin
2010 FIELD: Available to Host

WBCA Classic - Various Hosts - 3 Game MTE - Various Dates

2008 CHAMPION: Gonzaga
2009 FIELD: Connecticut (host), Hofstra, Richmond, Clemson
2010 FIELD: Available to Host

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WHO ELSE BUT NELS...A Note from Nels Hawkinson, Executive Director of Basketball Traveler's Inc.

Ever get frustrated when you feel like your "things" are taking over your life? You can't figure out how to download songs to your iPod, your Bluetooth is acting up again, and you can't find your TV remote. We acquire so much "stuff" that taking care of it often crowds out what should be our true priorities in life: our relationships.

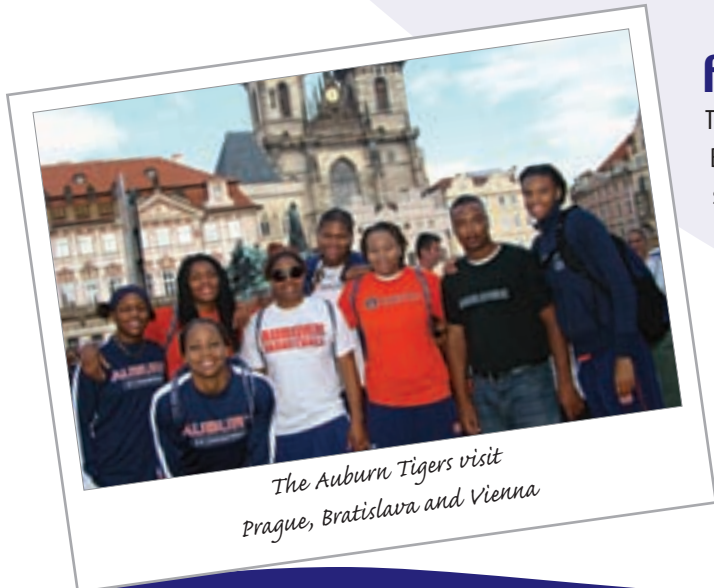
This past summer I read a book that excited me so much, I bought 150 copies and gave them out to coaches on the summer AAU circuit. John Ortman's book, *When the Game is Over It All Goes Back in the Box*, addresses the issues surrounding our struggles with priorities in life. One of the premises is that we acquire so much needless stuff, but "the secret lies in knowing what to discard. God created us for a purpose. We are all made to make a difference."



Following last summer's book handout, I received so much incredible feedback from fellow coaches that BTI is again offering a limited number of complimentary copies to coaches. Come see me at our booth #309 at the convention in St. Louis if you want a good read and want to be challenged to make some changes in your life.

I'll be in St. Louis from Thursday through Monday and I'm always open to anyone who wants to talk about business or personal issues. See you soon!

Who else but



The Auburn Tigers visit Prague, Bratislava and Vienna

AUBURN TIGERS TOUR EASTERN EUROPE

The Auburn Tigers got a jump-start on their season by taking a tour last August to Prague, Bratislava and Vienna. Their 3-0 record against European competition set the tone for an extremely successful 2008-09 season to date. The Tigers won the SEC regular-season championship and at press-time are currently ranked No. 6 in the nation. In between games, the team visited the Prague Castle, Moser glass factory, Terezin Concentration Camp, Schonbrunn Palace, the Prater, and several other unique sights.

Head Coach Nell Fortner commented prior to the tour, "We have a very experienced group of players and they are going to get a lot of playing time in Europe against some good teams and it is a bonding time for us. We have big goals for this year, so this gives us a little bit of a head start in a fun environment and we are all looking forward to it."

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Look for us at the WBCA
Convention in Saint Louis
BOOTH #309!

Still need to book games?

Basketball Travelers
Speed (Game) Dating Session

3:00pm Sunday, March 30
@ WBCA Convention:
America's Center - Room 100

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Find Non-Conference Games
Easier Using BTI's Web Bulletin

Basketball Travelers, Inc. continues their commitment to offer Division I coaches access to the finest web-based scheduling bulletin board available.

The complimentary service assists coaches in booking or posting non-conference games and tournaments.



"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men." ~ Col. 3:23



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