

## 2016 Lyons Lady Lion volleyball team Five seniors back for Lady Lions

By Mike Courson The Lady Lion volleyball team is still looking to turn the corner. With four starters and eight letter winners back, fourth-year coach Katie Herrman hopes her squad can improve on last year's 10-21 record.

"After coming off of a very traumatic year, this year's seniors have worked very hard this summer and have started off well in practice,"

she said. "I have a great group this year and look forward to this season. I'm excited to get going.

'We have a couple of freshmen that are going to be strong for us this year. In addition, we have returning hitters in Fiona Jaime and Katie Marshall that we expect more power from this year.'

Jaime and Marshall, both seniors, are joined by senior returners

Cassie Loesch, Jessikah Smith, and Ruth Pineda. Junior returners on the squad are Alexis Villanueva and Bailey Hollinger. Freshmen Daci Stover and Kristina Head are likely to make an immediate impact for the squad.

The Lady Lions open their season this weekend with the league tournament in Pratt. Lyons plays at home on Sept. 13, Sept. 24, and Oct. 11.

## Vincent returns for Lady Lions

By Mike Courson Last fall, the Lady Lion tennis team found success here and there with a tournament win at Chaparral, and a secondplace finish at home. Jadyn Snyder went on to play at the state tournament before graduating in May. Some varsity players are back to keep the Lady Lions competitive, but Coach Andrea Carlson is also ready to work with a handful of new players.

"This is a rebuilding year for our team," she said. "My expectations for this year is to improve technique and get as much experience as we can."

Senior McKayla Vincent was a varsity player last year, as was sophomore Carmen Alvarez.

The rest of the Lady Lions either played junior varsity last year, or are new to the team. Senior Ashlyn Troyer and juniors Gia Bryant



2016 Lady Lions: Back row, from left: Kelcey Jenkins, McKayla Vincent, Ashlyn Troyer and Gia Bryant. Front row: Carmen Alvarez, Holla Bryant and Tonya Silva. Not pictured: Devony Gamez. (photo by Vickie Folck)

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and Kelsey Jenkins were each members of the JV squad last fall.

The Lady Lion varsity squad opened the

season at home on Aug. 25, and returns home on Sept. 19. The JV squad plays at home on Sept.



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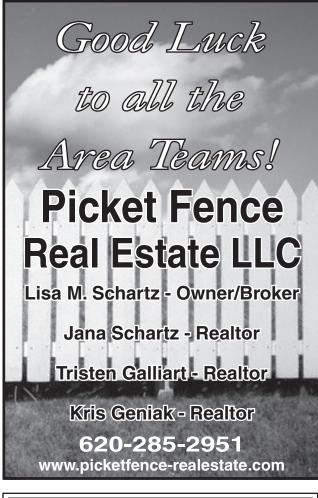
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