GREEKS IN THE NEWS

ELENA TSINEKE

Twenty-one-year-old Elena Tsineke is making noise and a name for herself in South Florida. Already a member of the Greek Women's Senior National Basketball Team, Tsineke got her first start as a freshman at South Florida



University last year and hasn't looked back. The Thessaloniki-born 5' 8" guard averaged 12 points per game en route to winning the American Athletic Conference Freshman of the Year Award.

As this season began, Tsineke was looked to as a leader of the team and she has responded to the challenge. Last week against Wichita State, Elena dropped a career-high 31 points, including 5-8 in three pointers, on the Shockers as her Bulls rolled to a 66-48 win, putting USF at 8-1 on the season. USF has since won two more, have won nine in a row, sit at 10-1 on the season, and top the American Athletic Conference by three games. Tsineke and her #16 nationally ranked Bulls are eagerly anticipating an invitation to the NCAA Women's Tournament next month, where they

look to do some damage. For those of you who were wondering, Elena has a twin sister, Katerina, who is also a sophomore at East Carolina and Elena has gotten the better of Katerina in both of their matchups so far. Good Luck to both of them, as I'm sure they will continue to make us all proud.

TREVOR ZEGRAS

Nineteen-year-old, Brooklyn-born Trevor Zegras is a name that most hockey fanatics are familiar with. The Greek American Boston University sophomore was drafted last March by the Anaheim Ducks of the National Hockey League at #9 overall and expects to be in the Ducks' rotation this season. In the meantime, he's been representing the USA in the World Junior Hockey Championship and last week led USA's underdogs to a 2-0 victory over heavily-favored Canada. Zegras led the tournament in scoring with 7 goals and 11 assists en route to

taking home the Tournament MVP award while scoring a goal and an assist in the title game. Since being drafted by Anaheim last March, Zegras turned the World Juniors into his own playground. The high-scoring center definitely sees himself making an impact for the Ducks this season.



GREEK WATER POLO

For the third straight season, Greece has reached the Grand Finals in the World Water Polo League. Not being satisfied with the results of their last two trips, Greece knocked off Spain 12-11 a couple of days ago to reach the semifinals of the tournament, in which they'll take on the defending champions from Montenegro. Stylianos Argyropoulos scored from 6 meters out to ice the quarterfinal victory over traditional power Spain. We will keep you updated on their fate in the next issue of *Greece Is the Word*.

STONIE'S SPORTS HANDICAPPING

Coming off my worst week of the season, in which I won 12 and lost 14 games, most notably in the NFL, I climbed back on the horse and delivered another video in front of the NFL's Divisional Playoffs. This week, another video will be posted on Friday to prepare you all for the conference championship games that will take place on Sunday the 24th. If you've enjoyed the content that I've been putting out every week, please **subscribe to the channel** and make sure to spread the word. **Here's this week's video**, as I tried to bounce back from a rough week. Enjoy the content and remember the 3 rules of Thoughts and Hunches, Making Money in Bunches, and Sucker Punches: If you wanna win big, you gotta bet big; there's money on the streets that can't be ignored; and GOODLUCK2YA!

— Stonie