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Player Profiles

Cathy Carruthers, Fr., Center field. . . . A four-year starter as a prep in Carroll, IA . . . great speed and very quick . . . one of the best center fielders Coach Bakley has seen . . . will be a strength in hitting . . . needs to fill the shoes of graduated Teresa Kennedy.

Marshelle Clark, Fr., Infield. . . . A good fielder but needs to improve her hitting and leveling out of her swing . . . a very strong throwing arm . . . a four-year starter as a prep at second and third bases.

Lori Cook, Fr., Pitcher. . . . Throws a fast ball and is working on her change-up . . . shows lots of potential and is a very hard worker . . . one of four pitchers on the squad.

Judy Daleske, Sr., Pitcher. . . . One of three returning pitchers . . . transferred last year from William Penn College . . . probably will take a more active role this year than last . . . throws more "stuff" with finesse . . . was a designated hitter against UNI in the state tournament two years ago when the Panthers beat William Penn to advance to the finals . . . record was 4-1 . . . gave up the least number of all UNI's pitchers.

Kathy Gross, Jr., Pitcher. . . . One of three returning pitchers . . . hoping for great things from her this year . . . probably will handle 50 percent of the pitching duties . . . has a good eye for the ball . . . was one of the top pitchers as a freshman and recorded an 8-6 record last year . . . led all pitchers in the strikeout category with 52 . . . batting average is .417, the highest average on the team . . . 11 RBIs to her credit.

Laurie Magee, Jr., Infield. . . . A new face on the squad . . . has a neat, level swing . . . might play at first base.

Robyn Murken, Jr., Catcher. . . . Came highly recommended . . . a transfer from Waldorf Community College . . . is very quick out of the box and should turn out to be a real asset.

Sheri Salisbury, Fr., Third base, Shortstop. . . . Coach Bakley feels very fortunate that she decided to play at UNI . . . will be a strength in the infield . . . very coachable and is an intelligent athlete . . . has played every position but first base.

Karla Schiltz, Sr., Catcher. . . . Returned to action last year following a year's layoff due to knee surgery . . . will dominate at second base . . . always has been a good lead-off hitter . . . led the team in walks with 17 . . . this should be her best season.

Sheryl Schlader, Sr., Left field. . . . Leads the team in stolen bases with six and carried a batting average below what it was two years ago . . . has set new goals for herself and is concentrating on her hitting . . . a very dependable outfielder.

Linda Stone, Jr., Left field. . . . A transfer from Kirkwood Community College . . . an excellent left fielder . . . has a good eye and is able to judge the ball well . . . will be a great help in the hitting department . . . will take the pressure off the pitchers because she's a great defensive player.

Betty Thronson, Jr., Shortstop. . . . Probably will move from third base to shortstop . . . has one of the stronger arms on the team . . . has developed into one of the better infielders and not many balls will get past her . . . she and Sue Tyler tie for the most RBIs of the returning players with 16 and also has the most hits of the veterans.

Lesla Trenary, So., Pitcher. . . . One of three returning pitchers . . . a hard worker who could be the best pitcher in the region . . . has an excellent fast ball and change-up . . . will see plenty of action . . . had four years playing experience at Winfield-Mr. Union High . . . this is her last season since she will be getting married.

Sue Tyler, Sr., Right field. . . . Has been disappointed in her hitting in the past though she ties with Betty Thronson for the most RBIs . . . the only southpaw on the squad so she is a valuable hitter . . . has a very strong arm . . . a spark on the team.

Jane Wagner, Fr., Right field. . . . A graduate of Dubuque Hempstead High School . . . a good hitter . . . will be battling with Sue Tyler for a starting role at right field.

Jackie Winter, Fr., Catcher. . . . A graduate of Turkey Valley High School . . . very intelligent . . . does a good job of reading the offense and moving the target around behind the plate.

Pam Woodard, So., Infield. . . . A strong arm and is working hard on her hitting . . . will play either at first or third base . . . a quick learner and is a good, long hitter.

For Your Information

Name: University of Northern Iowa

Location: Cedar Falls, IA 50614

Enrollment: 11,020

Nickname: Panthers

Colors: Purple and Old Gold

Affiliation: AIAW Division II

Facilities: Softball Field on Campus

President: Dr. John J. Kamerick

Athletic Director: Stan Sheriff

Softball Coach: Meredith Bakley

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Starting at 12 o'clock, moving clockwise: Sue Tyler, Karla Schiltz, Lesa Trenary, Jackie Winter, Judy Daleske, Jane Wagner, Pam Woodard, Robyn Murken, Betty Thronson, Cathy Carruthers, Betty Davis, Sheryl Schlader, Linda Stone, Kathy Gross, Sheri Salisbury, Lori Cook, Marshelle Clark. Not pictured: Laurie Magee.

1981 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Class	Hometown
4	Cathy Carruthers	CF	Fr.	Carroll, IA
11	Marshelle Clark	IF	Fr.	Lake Mills, IA
28	Lori Cook	P	Fr.	Green Mountain, IA
10	*Judy Daleske	P	Sr.	New Providence, IA
6	Betty Davis	U	So.	West Liberty, IA
15	*Kathy Gross	P	Jr.	Spencer, IA
27	Laurie Magee	IF	Jr.	Elk Run Heights, IA
9	Robyn Murken	C	Jr.	Story City, IA
12	Sheri Salisbury	3B, SS	Fr.	Norwalk, IA
2	*Sheryl Schlader	LF	Sr.	Charles City, IA
1	*Karla Schiltz	2B	Sr.	Bancroft, IA
21	Linda Stone	LF	Jr.	Edgewood, IA
13	*Betty Thronson	SS	Jr.	New Hampton, IA
18	*Lesla Trenary	P	So.	Mt. Union, IA
14	*Sue Tyler	RF	Sr.	Atlantic, IA
26	Jane Wagner	RF	Fr.	Dubuque, IA
16	Jackie Winter	C	Fr.	Waucoma, IA
17	Pam Woodard	IF	So.	Waucoma, IA

*Returning Athlete

1981 Schedule

March 23-28	at Texas Women's Invitational
April 3-4	UNI Invitational
April 7	William Penn (2) 4 p.m.
April 8	Mt. Mercy (2) 4 p.m.
April 13	St. Ambrose (2) 4 p.m.
April 14	at Iowa (2) 3:30 p.m.
April 15	Iowa State (2) 4 p.m.
April 17-18	at Nebraska-Omaha with Wyoming
April 20	at William Penn (2) 3:30 p.m.
April 21	Luther (2) 4 p.m.
April 22	at Ellsworth Community College (2) 3:30 p.m.
April 24-25	at IIAW Sectionals at Sioux City, IA
April 27	Loras (2) 4 p.m.
April 28	Grand View (2) 4 p.m.
April 30-May 2	at IIAW State Tournament at Fort Dodge, IA
May 7-9	at AIAW Regional Tournament at Sioux Falls, SD
May 20-23	at AIAW Division II National Tournament at Omaha, NE

1981 Outlook

Third year Head Coach Meredith Bakley displays cautious optimism when talking about the upcoming season. The Panthers are hoping to improve on a third place finish in the state tournament and regain the Iowa crown they lost in 1978. The 1981 Northern Iowa squad loses eight players off last season's team — either through graduation or other means — but with a strong contingent of seven returning players, two transfers and a crop of experienced freshmen, UNI almost is certain to field a very competitive team and to equal or improve upon a 31-15 1980 record.

The outlook begins with the seven veterans who played a major part in helping the Panthers place second behind defending national champion Texas Women's University in the first annual Hawaii-Hilo Invitational. Four seniors return for their final year and the other three are front line players.

Judy Daleske returns for her second and final year on the pitcher's mound. A transfer from William Penn College a year ago, she recorded a 4-1 record with an ERA of 1.4. Left fielder Sheryl Schlader is a very dependable outfielder who led the team in stolen bases two years ago. Disappointed in her hitting last season, she has been working overtime on that portion of her game.

Second baseman Karla Schiltz returns to the squad with the most walks to her credit on the team. She also played catcher two years ago before a knee injury sidelined her most of the season. Other returning fielders include right fielder Sue Tyler and shortstop Betty Thronson.

Two other pitchers from last year's squad return along with Daleske, in addition to one new face. Kathy Gross (8-6) and Lesa Trenary (7-3) are the two veterans. Freshman Lori Cook of Green Mountain, IA, will be giving the returning pitchers a run for their money for the no. 1 spot.

The other newcomers are freshmen Cathy Carruthers, center field; Marshelle Clark, infield; Sheri Salisbury, third base or shortstop; Jane Wagner, right field; and Jackie Winter, catcher. The transfers are Robyn Murken, a catcher from Waldorf Community College, and left fielder Linda Stone from Kirkwood Community College. Infielders sophomore Pam Woodard and junior Laurie Magee, have not played collegiate ball.

"We're basically young and inexperienced, with six freshmen on the roster," says Bakley. "But I believe the incoming freshmen have more talent than in years past. We'll be very strong in the outfield with two veterans but the infield is undecided. There will be little continuity in the infield."

"Our weakest area the last two years has been our hitting," continued Bakley. "But we've been working very hard on that in preseason. I think we'll enjoy the offensive part of the game much more this year because we will be better hitters. This is a very enthusiastic group of athletes."

The highlight of the season will come at the opening when the Panthers will participate in the Texas Women's Invitational March 23-28. UNI returns home to host its own invitational with Wartburg, Grand View and Northwestern April 3-4.

1980 Northern Iowa Softball Statistics

Name	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG	SAC	SO	BB	HP	SB	E
Gloria Andersen	43	125	21	29	2	3	0	7	.232	13	5	4	0	0	7
Anne Beitzel	24	51	11	13	0	1	0	10	.255	3	6	9	0	1	4
Cindy Brandes	3	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	.125	1	1	0	0	0	0
Judy Daleske	26	67	9	13	1	1	0	9	.194	8	5	4	0	2	3
Jocelyn Drabelle	43	127	26	37	5	0	1	16	.291	10	4	8	2	5	17
Kathy Gross	13	36	4	15	1	0	0	11	.417	1	1	2	0	0	1
Teresa Kennedy	44	131	24	35	1	9	0	28	.267	4	3	10	0	4	9
Trish Kinley	18	45	7	12	0	0	0	7	.267	5	2	3	0	0	4
Jill Petterson	29	69	16	18	2	2	0	8	.261	4	4	10	1	1	8
Karla Schiltz	31	67	14	16	0	0	0	9	.239	8	3	17	1	2	6
Sheryl Schlader	36	122	20	24	1	3	0	8	.197	7	8	7	1	6	6
Lori Stielow	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	3	0	2	0	0	0
Betty Thronson	44	117	17	34	3	0	0	16	.291	8	6	10	2	2	12
Lesla Trenary	8	15	2	4	0	0	0	6	.267	1	0	1	0	0	1
Sue Tyler	41	105	14	17	1	3	0	16	.162	11	15	13	1	4	13
TOTALS		1090	185	268	17	22	1	152	.246	87	63	100	8	27	91

Pitching	G	IP	H	R	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	ER	ERA	W-L
Judy Daleske	7	29-3/4	20	8	1	18	4	1	1	0	6	1.4	4-1
Kathy Gross	17	100-1/4	61	24	20	52	6	2	0	5	14	0.98	8-6
Lori Stielow	17	99	57	28	12	31	9	5	2	0	13	0.92	10-5
Lesla Trenary	12	67	30	16	5	32	0	2	0	1	6	0.64	7-3

(Returnees in bold)

1980 Results

UNI	OPP	UNI	OPP
0 Texas Women's*	1	10 Wartburg (6 inn.)	0
0 Utah State*	2	4 Wartburg	0
0 Northern Colorado*	1	7 Iowa	1
1 Golden West State*	0	1 Iowa	0
4 Golden West State*	5	8 Nebraska-Omaha	1
1 Northern Colorado*	5	1 Nebraska	5
1 Hilo Comets*	0	8 Northwest Missouri	5
0 Hilo Comets*	1	5 South Dakota	2
10 Hilo Comets*	0	2 Wayne State	3
5 Northern Colorado*	3	5 Luther	0
2 Texas Women's*	3	2 Luther	0
1 Utah State*	0	2 Loras	0
2nd Place *Hawaii-Hilo Invitational		11 Loras	0
0 Iowa State+	3	7 Central	0
7 Northwestern+	2	7 Central	0
6 Iowa+	0	5 Mt. Mercy	3
2 Minnesota+	6	8 Mt. Mercy	6
6 Northwestern	0	Upper Iowa forfeits 2 to Northern Iowa	
3rd Place +Minnesota Invitational		6 Drake	3
3 Westmar++	1	2 Drake	4
1 Northwestern++(9inn)	0	18 Clarke (5 inn.)	0
0 William Penn++	3	9 Clarke	0
1 Drake++	5		
3rd Place ++IAIAW Division II Tournament			



Head Coach Meredith Bakley

Meredith Bakley begins her third year as the Panthers' head softball coach. In her first year at the helm, she guided the team to a 22-10 overall record and a second place finish in the AIAW state softball tournament. Last year she improved that mark to 31-15. A graduate of Black Hills State College in Spearfish, SD, she received her master's degree from Colorado State University in 1974 and has completed some hours toward her doctorate from Northern Colorado. She is a former volleyball and softball player. Bakley was an instructor at Valley City State College in Valley City, ND, where she was head basketball and softball coach before coming to UNI. Her Valley City softball team placed second in the state in 1978, losing to North Dakota State in the finals. Her overall win-loss record is 111-59.