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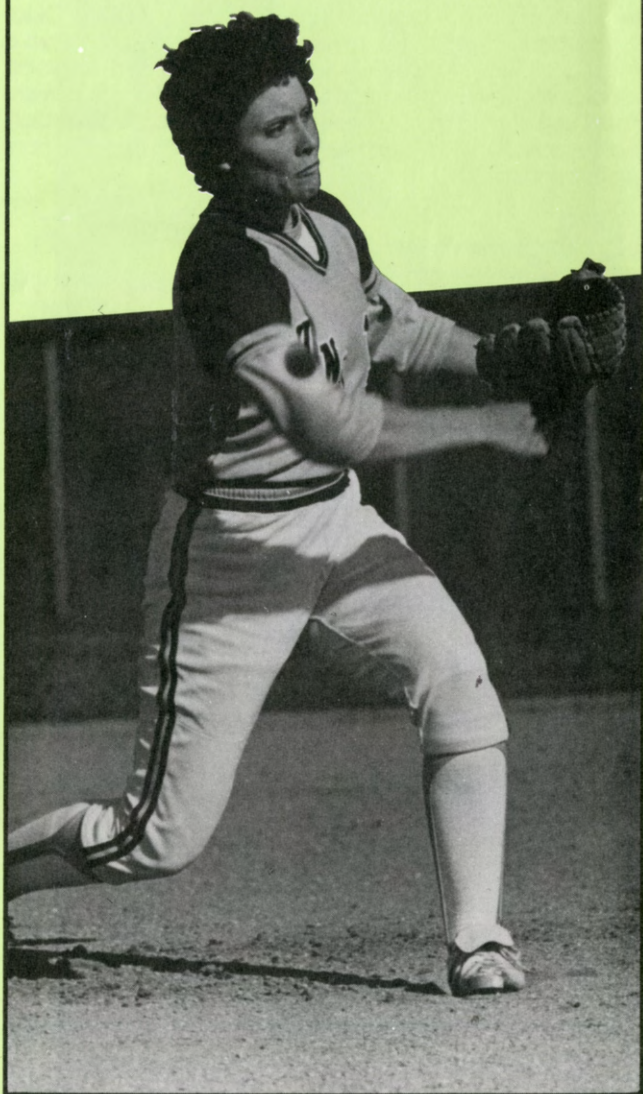
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The Outlook

UNI Head Coach Meredith Bakley, in her fourth year as head coach, welcomed back 10 athletes this season from last year's 29-15 squad. The Panthers placed third a year ago in the Division II state tournament and fourth in the regional championships.

"We have a lot of talent returning," said Bakley. "We'll have excellent speed, good arms and our players are very knowledgeable in the game. The few players we lost have been more than adequately replaced."

At the mound, UNI has two of four athletes returning. Junior Kathy Gross has done a lot of pitching for UNI the past two years and will do a lot more along with returnee Lori Cook and freshman Trish Eason. Bakley says all three pitchers will see equal amounts of time during the Oklahoma trip in order to determine a true starter. Gross throws a lot of "stuff," says Bakley, and has a good rise and drop ball. Cook's strength is in her fast ball. Eason and another freshman, Jennifer Burger, will need to adjust to collegiate ball, Bakley says, but she is expecting good things to come from both pitchers.



**Head Coach
Meredith Bakley**

Meredith Bakley begins her fourth 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 tournament. Two years ago she improved that mark to 31-15. Last season, the Panthers finished 29-15, placing third in the state and fourth in the regional championships.

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 towards her doctorate from the University of Iowa and Northern Colorado.

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 140-74.

She is a former volleyball and softball player.

Two of three **catchers** are returnees. Sophomore Jackie Winter played a lot last year and probably will play 50 percent of the time this season, sharing duties with returnee Robyn Murken, a senior. Both have very good arms but Winter lacks the speed that Murken possesses. The third catcher is junior Jerri Augustus who Bakley feels will be a valuable asset. She has an excellent throw to second base and gets out of the box quickly.

The **infielders** have four veterans. Laurel Magee returns at first base and was a backup at second last season. She's a very consistent, reliable player and was one of the better hitters on the squad with 17 RBIs to her credit. Battling with her for position is rookie Shellie Pfohl, a freshman, who with her height, strength and exceptional skill should be another great addition to the squad.

Second baseman Marshelle Clark returns to her spot after working into a starting role a year ago. She's an excellent defensive player, says Bakley, and is working hard to improve her hitting. She's been called a "natural" athlete.

At shortstop, senior Betty Thronson returns for her fourth year and obviously will be the leader in the infield. The most experienced player on the team, she has started every game since she was a freshman and was second high on the team with 25 RBIs.

At third base, sophomore Sherri Salsbury returns after starting as a freshman. She was disappointed in her hitting last season but her strengths are in handling line drives and fielding bunts. She also has a very quick arm. Backing her up is newcomer Beth Sloan, a freshman. Sloan needs collegiate experience but she is an aggressive player and is not afraid to meet the ball.

Only two players return from the **outfield**. Sophomore Jane Wagner most likely will be placed in right field and senior Linda Stone will play at left. Stone was the best hitter on the team last year. The newcomers are freshmen Laura Norenberg, Pamela Severin and Melinda McCauley. All the outfielders have great speed but Bakley says the freshmen are exceptional in this area.

"We've always been strong on defense and weak offensively," said Bakley, "but we should be stronger and more aggressive in this area of our game. We'll be able to mix up our hitting a little bit more this year and we'll be more aggressive on the bases."

Of those people who have left the team, three will be missed the most. Pitcher Lesa Trenary threw her best game of her career, according to Bakley, in the regional tournament last year, but has since married and left school. Right fielder Sue Tyler has graduated and with her loss goes the Panthers' only southpaw and her ability to drag bunts. She also was a mainstay on defense. Left fielder Sheryl Schlader also was an important person on defense.

The Panthers will be playing a very tough schedule, opening up with the Oklahoma trip and returning April 2-3 to compete in the 18-team Southwest Missouri Invitational against all Division I teams. UNI's first home games will be April 5 at 4 p.m. against Iowa.

1982 Schedule

March 15	Oklahoma Baptist (2)
March 16	Oklahoma (2)
March 17	Oklahoma City, Texas-Arlington
March 18	Oklahoma City
April 2-3	at Southwest Missouri State Invitational
April 5	Iowa (2), 4 p.m.
April 6	William Penn (2), 4 p.m.
April 7	St. Ambrose (2), 4 p.m.
April 9-10	at Iowa Invitational
April 12	at Mt. Mercy, 3:30 p.m.
April 14	at Iowa State, 3:30 p.m.
April 16-17	at Nebraska-Omaha Invitational
April 19	at William Penn
April 20	Wartburg, 3:30 p.m.
April 21	at Luther
April 23-24	AIAW Sectional Tournament
April 27	Grand View, 3:30 p.m.
April 28	at Loras
April 30-	at AIAW State Championships
May 1	at Fort Dodge
May 6-8	at AIAW Regional Championships
May 19-22	at AIAW National Championships at Augustana (SD)

1982 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Class	Hometown	Collegiate Exp.
42	Jerri Augustus	C	Jr.	Jefferson, IA	3rd year
48	Jennifer Burger	P	So.	Marengo, IA	2nd year
14	Marshelle Clark*	2B	So.	Lake Mills, IA	2nd year
46	Lori Cook*	P	So.	Green Mountain, IA	2nd year
6	Trish Eason	P	Fr.	Scranton, IA	1st year
16	Kathy Gross*	P	Sr.	Spencer, IA	4th year
32	Laurel Magee*	1B	Jr.	Waterloo, IA	2nd year
24	Melinda McCauley	OF	Fr.	Adel, IA	1st year
44	Robyn Murken*	C	Sr.	Story City, IA	4th year
12	Laura Norenberg	OF	Fr.	Adel, IA	1st year
3	Shellie Pfohl	1B	Fr.	Dubuque, IA	1st year
38	Sherri Salisbury*	3B	So.	Norwalk, IA	2nd year
30	Pamela Severin	OF	Fr.	Nevada, IA	1st year
20	Beth Sloan	3B	Fr.	Corwith, IA	1st year
36	Linda Stone*	OF	Sr.	Edgewood, IA	3rd year
40	Betty Thronson*	SS	Sr.	New Hampton, IA	4th year
34	Jane Wagner*	OF	So.	Dubuque, IA	2nd year
28	Jackie Winter*	C	So.	Waucoma, IA	2nd year

*Returning athlete

1981 Softball Statistics

Name	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	AVG	SAC	SO	BB	HP	SB	E	PO	A
Cathy Carruthers	32	56	12	13	1	2	0	7	.232	1	5	0	0	0	1	9	2
Marshelle Clark	21	39	9	7	0	0	0	0	.179	5	2	2	0	1	5	24	5
Lori Cook	10	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	.500	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	13
Judy Daleske	26	53	9	11	4	1	0	11	.208	6	4	3	0	0	1	2	9
Betty Davis	27	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0
Kathy Gross	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	2	6	26
Laurel Magee	37	105	13	25	4	5	2	17	.238	2	11	8	0	2	2	270	13
Robyn Murken	18	43	5	8	0	0	0	4	.186	0	4	4	0	1	1	19	1
Sherri Salisbury	44	129	19	25	4	3	1	26	.194	9	22	1	0	0	8	34	89
Sheryl Schlader	38	128	33	30	3	1	0	15	.234	5	9	7	2	6	5	60	1
Karla Schiltz	33	86	13	18	2	2	0	9	.209	10	2	20	0	2	3	90	51
Linda Stone	39	116	11	30	2	0	0	14	.259	5	6	8	0	5	3	24	5
Betty Thronson	44	133	20	34	2	6	1	25	.256	9	10	7	0	1	28	71	110
Lesa Trenary	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	3	12	36
Sue Tyler	40	109	11	27	2	2	1	14	.248	5	9	15	2	0	0	51	2
Jane Wagner	19	42	6	10	1	2	0	2	.238	3	4	6	0	0	3	6	1
Jackie Winter	27	62	5	7	0	0	0	6	.113	8	5	3	0	1	5	33	8
Pam Woodard	11	23	4	2	1	0	0	0	.087	0	6	3	0	0	0	60	1
TOTALS:	44	1126	187	248	26	24	5	154	.220	68	99	87	4	36	78	774	373
Pitching	G	IP	H	R	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	WP	ER	ERA	W-L				
Lori Cook	11	59	34	11	6	18	2	2		3	5	.593	6-1				
Judy Daleske	6	23	16	4	2	15	1	1			2	.609	3-1				
Kathy Gross	19	107-1/3	64	22	38	46	6	4	1		10	.654	10-4				
Lesa Trenary	20	122-2/3	81	35	11	40	7	6	1	1	15	.854	10-9				

(Returnees in bold)



Front row, left to right: Robyn Murken, Melinda McCauley, Beth Sloan, Marshelle Clark, Laurel Magee. **Middle row:** Shelli Pfohl, Sherri Salisbury, Linda Stone, Jerri Augustus, Pamela Severin, Laura Norenberg. **Back row:** Jane Wagner, Trish Eason, Kathy Gross, Jennifer Burger, Lori Cook, Jackie Winter, Betty Thronson.

Year-By-Year Results

Season results prior to 1974 are unavailable.

1974 (15-3)

Luther 14-2, 2-0
Graceland 2-3
Grand View 18-4, 9-1
Iowa State 6-5, 7-3
Luther 6-3, 7-6
Iowa 13-0, 34-1
Wartburg 4-3, 5-4

IAIAW Championships (3rd)

Graceland 9-2
Buena Vista 11-1
Luther 1-2
Iowa State 1-4
Head Coach: Jane Mertesdorf

1975 (20-4)

Luther 3-0, 5-6
Iowa 10-0, 6-4
Iowa State 7-1, 10-2
Graceland 8-3
Kansas State 3-4 (8 inn.)
Wartburg 15-1, 9-0

IAIAW District Championships (1st)

Wartburg 5-1
Luther 4-0, 4-0

IAIAW State Championships (1st)

Graceland 12-3
Iowa Wesleyan 10-0
Iowa State 2-1, 3-2

Women's College World Series (2nd)

Oklahoma 5-0
Michigan State 4-3
Kansas 4-1
Nebraska-Omaha 0-1
Michigan State 7-3
Nebraska-Omaha 11-1, 4-6
Head Coach: Jane Mertesdorf

1976 (23-3)

Iowa 11-0
Luther 3-0
Wartburg 3-2, 8-1
Iowa State 7-4, 1-0
Luther 1-0
Graceland 8-0, 15-0
Wartburg 5-0, 1-0
Luther 1-0, 3-4
Mankato State 10-0
Minnesota 10-0
Moorhead State 11-0
IAIAW Championships (1st)
William Penn 10-0
Drake 11-0
Wartburg 2-0
Iowa State 9-1
Luther 7-2

Women's College World Series (top 6)

Northern State College (SD) 3-1
Arizona State 0-2
Indiana State 10-2
Texas 6-0
Northern Colorado 0-1
Head Coach: Jane Mertesdorf

1977 (32-2)

Wartburg 4-3, 9-1
Nebraska-Omaha 9-3, 7-2
Iowa 6-5, 7-0
Grand View 12-0, 12-2
Mt. Mercy 6-1, 7-1

IAIAW District Championships (1st)

Upper Iowa 13-0
Luther 3-2
Iowa State 2-0, 1-0
Wartburg 9-0, 10-3
Waldorf 12-0, 9-0
Luther 0-1, 13-0

IAIAW State Championships (1st)

Mt. Mercy 9-0
William Penn 2-0
Iowa State 2-1, 4-2

IAIAW Region 6 Championships (1st)

North Dakota State 4-0
Tarkio 1-0

Southwest Missouri State 3-2, 6-1

Women's College World Series (1st)

Southern Illinois 3-0
Kansas 4-0
Michigan State 7-3
Arizona 1-0 (8 inn.), 0-1 (9 inn.), 7-0
Head Coach: Jane Mertesdorf

1978 (21-11)

Wartburg 2-1, 5-3
Luther 4-3, 0-1
Grand View 4-3, 5-1
Iowa 1-5
Luther 1-4
William Penn 5-3, 5-4
Drake 13-3, 10-3
Iowa State 2-4, 9-7
Loras 2-4, 0-5
Loras (Default 2)
Minnesota 9-2, 0-3

IAIAW District Championships (1st)

Upper Iowa 13-4
Luther 7-5

IAIAW State Championships (5th)

Central 4-2
Mt. Mercy 4-2
Grand View 1-2
Iowa State 1-2

IAIAW Region 6 Championships (4th)

Minnesota 0-4
South Dakota 11-2
Luther 8-3
Kansas 0-5
Head Coach: Jane Mertesdorf

1979 (22-10)

Wartburg 4-7, 6-5
Wichita State 10-2
Nebraska 2-5
Wayne State 5-4
Emporia State 1-6
Drake 1-0 (9 inn.), 5-1
St. Cloud State 6-3, 6-5
Minnesota 5-7
Minnesota JV 2-3
Iowa State 0-1, 4-3 (10 inn.)
Luther 15-5 (5 inn.), 5-4
Mt. Mercy 2-3, 10-6
Loras 1-0, 8-2

IAIAW District Championships (1st)

Luther 7-2
Upper Iowa 5-2
Wartburg 8-2, 3-1
Grand View 1-3, 2-1

IAIAW State Championships (2nd)

Iowa Wesleyan 8-0
Iowa State 5-0
William Penn 3-1
Drake 0-1 (12 inn.)
William Penn 6-5 (8 inn.)
Drake 1-2

Head Coach: Meredith Bakley

1980 (31-15)

Hawaii-Hilo Invitational (2nd)

Texas Women's 0-1
Utah State 0-2
Northern Colorado 0-1
Golden West State 1-0, 4-5
Northern Colorado 1-5
Hilo Comets 1-0, 0-1, 10-0
Northern Colorado 5-3
Texas Women's 2-3
Utah State 1-0

Minnesota Invitational (3rd)

Iowa State 0-3
Northwestern 7-2
Iowa 6-0
Minnesota 2-6
Northwestern 6-0
Wartburg 10-0, 4-0
Iowa 7-1, 1-0
Nebraska-Omaha 8-1
Nebraska 1-5
Northwest Missouri State 8-5
South Dakota 5-2
Wayne State 2-3
Luther 5-0, 2-0
Loras 2-0, 11-0
Central 7-0, 7-0
Mt. Mercy 5-3, 8-6
Upper Iowa (Forfeits 2)

Drake 6-3, 2-4

Clarke College 18-0 (5 inn.), 9-0

IAIAW State Championships (3rd)

Westmar 3-1
Northwestern College 1-0 (9 inn.)
William Penn 0-3
Drake 1-5
Head Coach: Meredith Bakley

1981 (29-15)

Texas-Arlington 0-1 (9 inn.), 2-1
Texas Women's 1-4, 2-3
Iowa State 1-2
South Carolina 4-5
Western Michigan 2-3
North Texas State 9-0
Oklahoma City 6-1
Texas Women's 1-3
Wartburg 12-2 (5 inn.)
Grand View 0-1 (8 inn.)
William Penn 3-2, 4-1
Mt. Mercy 4-1, 12-0 (6 inn.)
St. Ambrose 3-2 (inn. 8), 3-1
Iowa 5-4, 4-1
Iowa State 3-0, 1-2
Colorado State 3-0
Wyoming 5-2
Nebraska-Omaha 4-3
William Penn 6-2, 7-2

Luther 7-1, 13-0 (5 inn.)
Ellsworth (Exhib.) 4-0, 1-0
Loras 1-4, 12-0 (5 inn.)

IAIAW Sectionals (3rd)

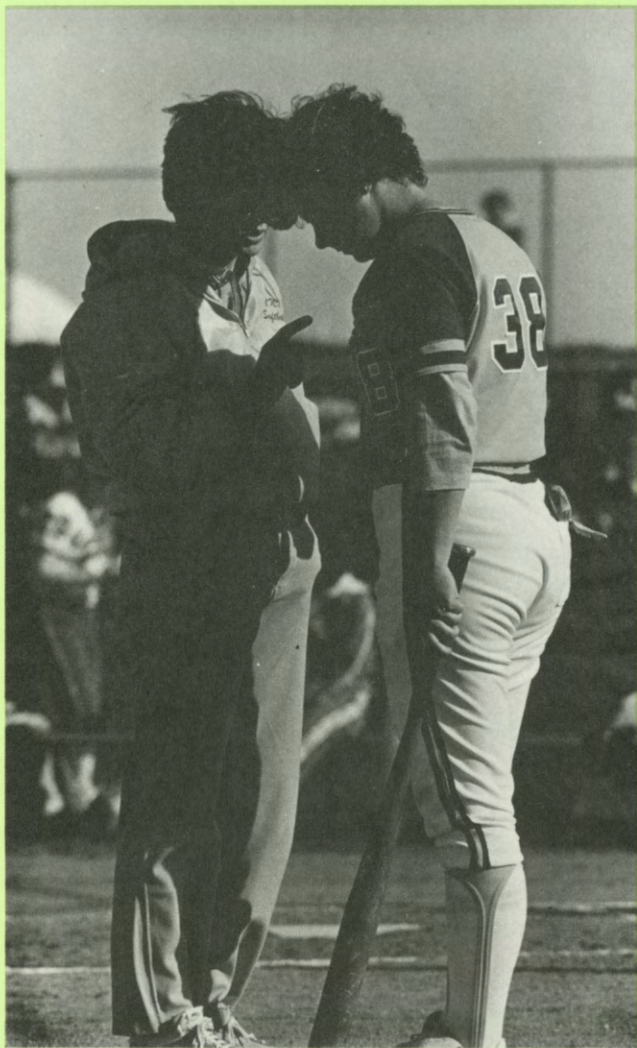
Grand View 4-0
Drake 2-1
Northwestern College 1-5
Drake 1-5

IAIAW State Championships (3rd)

St. Ambrose 0-2
Loras 9-1
St. Ambrose 3-0
Grand View 0-5

IAIAW Region 6 Championships (4th)

Moorhead State 7-0
South Dakota 2-1
Northeast Missouri State 0-1
St. Cloud State 6-0 (8 inn.)
Grand View 0-1
Head Coach: Meredith Bakley



UNI Against This Year's Opponents

Oklahoma Baptist
Oklahoma
Oklahoma City
Texas-Arlington
Iowa
William Penn
St. Ambrose
Mt. Mercy
Iowa State
Wartburg
Luther
Grand View
Loras

First Meeting
UNI leads 1-0
UNI leads 1-0
Series tied 1-1
UNI leads 12-1
UNI leads 10-1
UNI leads 3-1
UNI leads 9-1
UNI leads 18-6
UNI leads 22-1
UNI leads 24-5
UNI leads 8-5
UNI leads 8-3

A Short History

Women's intercollegiate softball at the University of Northern Iowa has a short history but a very proud history. Even though the program is young, with competition beginning in the 1972 season, UNI's teams have made a name for themselves state-wide, regionally and nationally.

Since the sport was initiated, each team has recorded a winning record. The overall win-loss mark (since 1974) is an astounding 193-63. Without any doubt, the premier season was 1977 when the Panthers, behind the pitching of Pat Stockman, who later went on to play with the Buffalo (NY) Briskies pro team, captured the Women's College World Series crown and finished the year with a 32-2 overall record.

Throughout the years, the Panthers have won three state championships, placed first in the regional championships in 1977, fourth in 1978 and 1981 and besides winning the national title in 1977, they placed eighth in 1973, second in 1975 and in the top six in the nation in 1976.

Facilities

The UNI softball team found its home on the UNI campus in the 1978 season with the construction of its own diamond after previously playing all home games at a softball complex in Waterloo, IA. Ground-level dugouts have been added just this spring to afford protection for the athletes from the possibility of inclement weather.

However, if the weather dictates that games can no longer be played outdoors, the UNI softball team has the advantage of being able to play indoors in the UNI-Dome, a multi-purpose, air-supported coliseum. Thus, the Panthers are rarely rained out when they play at home.

UNI at a Glance

Location: Cedar Falls, IA 50614

Enrollment: 10,954

Nickname: Panthers

Colors: Purple and Gold

Founded: 1876

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