Northern Iowa Panthers 1989 Baseball

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MORE THAN A GAME

It's important to me. To some it's only a game that will be forgotten when they leave the park. To those of us who have sacrificed countless hours of precious time that we have been granted on this earth it becomes more important. We don't expect anyone to swing the bat or handle the glove for us. We ask that we be made aware of the ability that has been bestowed upon us. We must not let this gift pass, unnoticed. We ask that, when the time comes we no longer have fun displaying the skills with which so few of us have been blessed, we will have the courage and courtesy to put our spikes and gloves away. We give thanks for the speed, strength, and agility to perform for those that are appreciative of this rare ability that is a part of us.
Northern Iowa Quick Facts

Founded: 1876
Location: Cedar Falls, IA 50614
Enrollment: 11,500
Nickname: Panthers
Colors: Purple and Old Gold
National Affiliation: NCAA Division I
Conference: AMCU — Gray Division
President: Constantine Curris
Athletic Director: Robert Bowlsby
Associate Athletic Directors:
  John "Jersey" Jermier
  Sandra C. Williamson
Sports Information Director:
  Nancy Justis

Assistant Sports Information Director
(Baseball):
  Kevin Kane
  Office Phone: (319) 273-3642/6354
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Head Baseball Coach: Gene Baker
  Alma Mater: Austin Peay State University, 1981
  Office Phone: (319) 273-6323
  Home Phone: (319) 266-1327

Head Trainer: Terry Noonan
Assistant Trainer: Mark Kwikkel
Student Assistant: Brent Buttjer
1988 Team Record: 11-43
Conference: 2-10/Fourth
Season Outlook

If 1988 proved anything to college baseball fans in the University of Northern Iowa community, it proved that you can’t compete at the NCAA Division I level on offense alone. The high-powered offenses of years past had gone by the wayside, but last season’s Panthers were respectable enough to fashion a .274 team batting average with a school record 417 hits. This alone, however, wasn’t enough to prevent them from a worst-in-history 11-43 record.

With that in mind, second year head coach Gene Baker went about the task of recruiting pitching and defense for the 1989 campaign.

“If offense was enough, Oklahoma State would win the College World Series every year,” noted Baker. “The key to turning the corner for our program, or any other for that matter, is to develop solid pitching, and consistent, if not spectacular, defense.”

Last year’s Panthers allowed an average of just over 11 runs per game, a figure that makes winning baseball games difficult.

“We gave up a lot of runs, but not an extraordinary amount compared with UNI teams of the not-too-distant past,” was the way Baker summed up his 1988 squad’s defense. “This year, that’s all got to change.”

PITCHING

Returning from 1988’s battered mound corps are seniors Donnie Allen and Rod Hulme. “These two guys have the guts and experience to get outs at this level,” says Baker. Hulme was a mainstay in the bullpen last year with a team-leading two saves. Allen made great strides in the Panthers’ fall campaign, allowing only slightly over a hit per inning pitched, a yardstick with validity from Little League to the majors.

Mike Brandmeyer (2-5 in 1988) is also back, but in a new role as a bullpen stopper. “Mike had a tendency to lose concentration in the middle innings as a starter. As a short reliever, he won’t be asked to throw more than 2 innings each time out,” Baker said.

A quartet of sophomores returns a year older and wiser. After a shattering of any preconceived ideas that Division I would be a cake-walk, Steve Dreyer, Steve Bair, Dennis Hanken, and Adam Huehnergardt have gone to work with a better understanding of what has to be done. Bair led the squad in innings pitched in 1988 with 40 and was at the top of the list in control stats. Dreyer was 2-5 last spring, primarily as a reliever, but looks to be an integral part of the starting rotation in 1989. Hanken may have carved himself a niche in the rotation with 3 quality starts in 1988 and a team leading 2.92 ERA this fall. After battling injuries in the fall, Huehnergardt remains a question mark, but has the potential to be a big contributor to the staff.

Joining the Panther veterans are a trio of experienced transfers. Scott Kaul comes to UNI following a two-year career at Mankato State where he helped pitch the Mavericks into the Division II World Series. Kaul was outstanding last fall, racking up five victories including a shutout, and a 4.38 ERA. The two remaining transfers graduated from the juco ranks. Steve Hoffmann is a fierce competitor who holds the school record for victories in a season at Iowa Central in Fort Dodge, and Jim Duthie brings a moving fastball and southpaw motion from Ellsworth Community College after sitting out the 1988 campaign. Hard throwing sophomore outfielder John Pratt may see mound time in relief.

Stating the obvious, Baker explains, “Statistically, we can’t help but improve, but we’ve added quality newcomers to a staff that gained valuable experience last year, and with some hard work, these guys can go where no Panther pitching staff has gone before . . . to our first AMCU title.”
FIRST BASE
At first glance, the loss of Shawn Andrews (0.312, 8 HRs) would seem to be a devastating blow - enter junior Steve Schmelzer. Schmelzer moved from a part time outfielder in 1988 to full time first sacker last fall and promptly put up some impressive numbers: .453 batting average with nine doubles, 10 home runs, and 40 RBIs. Add some depth at the position with sophomore Matt TeStrake (.314 this fall) and transfer Brett Elson (.281) and this looks like anything but a weak link in the Panther arsenal.

SECOND BASE
Switch-hitting transfer Mark Vogel (Kaskaskia Junior College) appears to have the inside track here after hitting .369 in the fall, but he will be pushed hard by another juco transfer, Mike Kelly (DMACC at Boone). Each has their own strong suit, with Kelly possessing the stronger arm, but Vogel, softer hands and the two-sided stick.

SHORTSTOP
Senior Brian Scheidegger will hold down the fort in the middle as long as he's healthy. Scheidegger rarely makes a defensive mistake when he's on his game, and brings a deceptively strong bat (.318 in 1988) to the ballpark every day. Number two at short is Mike Morony, also a third baseman.

THIRD BASE
Senior Dan Wirtz moves to the hot corner from second base where he played in a school-record 52 games in 1988. The move is designed to improve the defense, but Wirtz proved he's no slouch with the bat in the fall (.417, 8 doubles). Mike Morony, a redshirt sophomore provides more than adequate reinforcement at third, as well as shortstop. His on base percentage of .612 in the fall should net him playing time as the designated lead off man. Third man at third is junior Brian Dixon, a left-handed batter, used primarily as a catcher in 1988, when he hit .295.

CATCHER
A source of particular frustration for Coach Baker, a former catcher himself, was the UNI opponents' stolen base percentage of .895 in 1988. In an effort to shore up this chink in the armor, Baker recruited highly-touted juco product Craig Kealty (Milwaukee Area Technical College). A mid-year transfer following graduation from MATC, Kealty has shown wares good enough to merit an invitation to the U.S. Olympic tryouts in Millington, Tennessee last summer. He must, however, take the position away from incumbents Brian Dixon and sophomore Brad Hansen. Dixon, also a utility infielder, bats from the left side (.432 this fall) and brings unmatched enthusiasm to the park every day. Hansen has come a long way since his freshman year, and steady improvement makes him capable of stepping in and doing an admirable job.

OUTFIELD
Returning All-AMCU rightfielder Mark Lumpa (.321, 7 HRs, and 35 RBIs in 1988) seems to be the only player with a lock on a given position in the Panther outfield. Returning platoon leftfielders, sophomore John Pratt (.390 this fall) and junior Geff Gescheidler (.400, 27 RBIs this fall) have earned more playing time, with Pratt possessing the best arm on the squad and Gescheidler being the most solid fundamental outfielder. Pushing hard are juco transfers Tim Bartz (Ellsworth) and Jimmy Welsh (Kirkwood). Completing the outfield puzzle is a freshman transfer from Creighton, P.J. Conlon who impressed the staff with his swing in the fall (.453).
KEYS TO SUCCESS

Offensively, the Panthers must continue in the tradition of UNI teams past. Last season's Most Valuable Hitter, Mark Lumpa, will be relied on heavily to produce in the same way he did last year and cut down on his school-record 55 strikeouts. According to Baker, "If he can make more contact, Mark is a threat to hit .400." If Morony, Dixon, Gescheidler, Scheidegger, and Wirtz can set the table, it appears that Schmelzer is ready to feast on opposing pitchers. As with all teams, the key to scoring runs will be producing with men in scoring position, and it must happen from one to nine in the batting order. Speed has also been a Panther tradition and the 1989 edition will be no exception with Pratt (18 SBs this fall) and Wirtz (17 SBs in 1988) the most notorious thieves.

The defense was solid a year ago, but left room for improvement. Moving Wirtz to third should solidify an infield that is already solid up the middle with Scheidegger and Vogel. Elson is the best defensively at first, but Schmelzer will improve with experience. Behind the plate, Dixon and Hansen have both worked hard and made great improvements, but Kealty may be the best of the bunch. Lumpa and Gescheidler are fundamentally sound in the outfield while Pratt can throw out anybody on any base hit, but must cut down on mistakes. Welsh and Bartz provide speed and Conlon made very few mistakes in left in the fall.

Pitching is the big question mark, and the missing piece to the Panther puzzle. The veteran hurlers are all one year better, and the newcomers all have quality arms. But with so far to go in one off-season, one wonders if the improvement will be enough. All are capable of spectacular work, but the true test will be consistency over the long haul. With Hulme, Brandmeyer, and Pratt in the bullpen there will be at least one stopper available every game. If the starters/middle relievers can carry a lead into the late innings, the Panthers will be able to compete with anyone. The key to the pitchers' success will be their ability to control the strike zone.

THE SCHEDULE

For 1989, Baker has assembled what is arguably the toughest Division I schedule in the Midwest. This year's slate includes all competing teams in the Big Eight (Colorado does not field a baseball team), the two best from the Missouri Valley, three Big Ten contenders, and a perennial front-runner from the Southwest. The spring trip includes stops on consecutive days at NCAA tournament participants Arkansas, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, and Wichita State sandwiched between a weekend series at St. Louis University and weekend round-robin with Kansas and Kansas State.

"Our schedule is a tough one," understates Baker "but it serves several purposes. First and foremost, our early season trip prepares us for anything, and then some, we might run up against in our own conference. Second, it provides our players with the most exciting Division I baseball experience possible. Third, playing those kind of schools attracts quality ballplayers to our program. Finally, if we are to call ourselves a Division I baseball program, we have got to play a predominantly Division I schedule. Explains Baker, "It's not that we play so many ranked teams by choice (we probably would anyway), but in order to get an 80-90% Division I schedule we've got to play every Division I school we can get to. Unfortunately, the entire area is covered with national caliber programs. But I ask the players, 'What if we beat them?' That would be something they could carry around with them forever."
Head Coach Gene Baker

Gene Baker begins his second season as Panther head coach after serving two previous stints at his alma mater, Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN. He served as an assistant from 1981-82 and 1986-87 after a playing career in which he earned Ohio Valley All-Conference honors in 1980.

A catcher/designated hitter, Baker was also voted to the NCAA Division I Academic All-America Team in 1981.

UNI is Baker's second head coaching stop, as he was coach and athletic director at Bristol (TN) College from 1984 to '86. From 1982 to '84, he was an assistant at Cumberland College in Lebanon, TN.

The Wappinger Falls, NY, native received his bachelor's degree in chemistry in 1981 and master's in health and physical education in 1987, both from APSU. His collegiate coaching record is 46-101 in four seasons.

Head baseball trainer Mark Kwikkel returned to his alma mater last summer after serving three years as co-head trainer at Nebraska-Omaha. Kwikkel received his bachelor's degree in physical education/athletic training from UNI in 1983 and later earned his master's in physical education/exercise science in 1985 from Nebraska-Omaha.

Among his duties, Kwikkel assists the coaches in developing and maintaining strength, conditioning and nutrition programs for players. He attends to all injuries from point of occurrence through rehabilitation. He acts as the liaison between the athlete and the physician in charge of the injury.

Student assistant trainer Brent Buttjer is in his first season with the baseball program. He is a sophomore from Cresco, IA, majoring in therapeutic recreation. This is his second year in the athletic training program.

Camille Korschgen is a freshman from West Branch, IA, in her first year as scorer and head statistician with the Panthers.

Shawn Andrews (1984-85, 87-88) Council Bluffs, Iowa

What I remember about UNI baseball

UNI baseball players receive personal attention from coaches, faculty, and other students. Everyone shows an interest in what you're trying to accomplish.

Most memorable moment

Getting 2 hits at 7th ranked Arkansas in 1988 against All Southwest Conference pitcher, Mark Swope. I think my double that game was the hardest ball I ever hit.
Clockwise from top right: Chris Besler (sitting), Lynne Roorda, Randa Ruppert, Paula Ward, Jill Pickering, Kristina Piech, Diny Kenneally, Kerry Chmelar, Shawn Fisher, Michelle Fox, Kristi Davis (sitting). Not pictured: Julie Duke, Mary Gilchrist.

The UNI Bat Cats is a volunteer organization of women who help the Panther coaching staff by donating its time and contributing to the promotion and awareness of Northern Iowa Baseball throughout the year.

Each Bat Cat is scheduled to work different ballgames and tournaments, and assist in the recruiting process by giving campus tours and other assigned duties.
Player Profiles

14 Donnie Allen
RHP . . . 6'1" . . . 190 . . . Sr.
Eagle Grove, IA
Eagle Grove High
Hard thrower . . . needs to work on control to be fully effective . . . should work into rotation with experience from last year . . . enjoys hunting and fishing . . . son of Rick and Ann Allen.

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RHP . . . 5'11" . . . 185 . . . Sr.
Traer, IA
North Tama High
Top returning reliever from last year's squad . . . sharp slider to complement moving fastball . . . would like to go into coaching and teach physical education . . . son of Ron and Pat Hulme.

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12 Brian Scheidegger
SS . . . 5'9" . . . 170 . . . Sr.
Chadwick, IL
Chadwick High
Best glove on the team . . . will start at short . . . confidence will provide leadership for youth . . . brother was drafted by Dodgers and later signed as a free agent with the Giants . . . son of Charles and Audrey Scheidegger.

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3B . . . 5'9" . . . 165 . . . Sr.
Iowa City, IA
Regina High
Will provide much needed leadership with three years experience . . . good contact hitter . . . led the team in steals last fall with 18 . . . enjoys golf, skiing and hunting . . . son of Pete and Marilyn Wirtz.

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OF. .5’11” . .180. . Jr.  
Waterloo, IA  
Central High  
Transfer from N.W. Missouri State at semester . . all-state hockey player in high school . . excellent speed and athletic ability . . played two years at Ellsworth Community College . . enjoys weightlifting in the off-season . . son of Robert Bartz.

32 Mike Brandmeyer  
RHP . .6’2” . .190 . . Jr.  
Boone, IA  
United Community High  
Lowest ERA on the staff in the fall . . very smart, a real thinker on the mound . . will be used as a reliever because of his competitiveness . . balances baseball and a tough academic load in accounting . . son of Stan and Vivian Brandmeyer.

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C . .5’11” . .175 . . Jr.  
Cedar Rapids, IA  
Kennedy High  
Much improved player since his high school days . . hardest worker on the team . . starting catcher last year . . experience should be great asset . . left-handed bat will help out in key situations . . enjoys hunting and fishing . . son of Denver and Connie Dixon.

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LHP . .6’2” . .185 . . Jr.  
Iowa City, IA  
City High  
Red-shirted last year . . lanky lefty with good moving fastball . . could round out staff if he works at it . . likes to golf . . son of Freeman and Becky Duthie.

No previous UNI stats

3 Geff Gescheidler  
OF . .5’11” . .175 . . Jr.  
Webster City, IA  
Webster City High  
Excellent hitter vs. right handers . . batted .400 last fall . . solid defensively . . tough competitor who doesn’t like to lose . . collects baseball cards . . son of Harold and Marjorie Gescheidler.

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22 Steve Hoffman
RHP ... 5’10” ... 170 ... Jr.
Carroll, IA
Kuemper High
Transfer from Iowa Central ... teammates call him “Whitey” for his ivory snow hair ... was all-subregion pitcher for ICCC ... hard-nosed competitor ... changes speeds well ... son of Paul and Marilyn Hoffman.

24 Scott Kaul
LHP ... 6’1” ... 190 ... Jr.
Fridley, MN
Fridley High
Transfer from Mankato State ... big, polished lefty with national-caliber experience who will help team immediately ... participated in the 1986 Division II College World Series ... son of Eldon and Kathy Kaul.

16 Craig Kealty
C ... 6’1” ... 195 ... Jr.
Whitefish Bay, WI
Whitefish Bay High
Prize recruit of ’89 class ... excellent defensive catcher ... invited to 1988 Olympic tryouts in Millington, Tennessee ... good power hitter ... handles pitchers well ... son of Gene and Diane Kealty.

20 Mark Lumpa
OF ... 6’1” ... 185 ... Jr.
Iowa City, IA
City High
UNI’s only All-AMCU pick in 1988 ... one of the best athletes on the team ... great natural power hitter ... needs to cut down on strike outs to be even more effective ... 1984-85 Bally All-American in football ... likes to listen to music in free time ... son of Gary Lumpa and Beth Sass.

8 Steve Schmelzer
1B ... 6’ ... 190 ... Jr.
Garnavillo, IA
Garnavillo High
Great power from the left side ... team-leading 10 HR’s with a .453 batting average last fall ... has the power the Panthers need for the clean up spot ... likes to golf ... son of Jim and Shirley Schmelzer.
1 Mark Vogel
2B . . . 5'8" . . . 165 . . . Jr.
Waterloo, IL
Waterloo High
Transfer from Kaskaskia Junior College . . . one of the top JUCO
players out of Illinois last year . . . batted .325 sophomore year at
Kaskaskia . . . probable starter at second base . . . son of Fritz and Pat
Vogel.

No previous UNI stats

13 Jim Welsh
OF . . . 5'8" . . . 170 . . . Jr.
Cedar Rapids, IA
Jefferson High
Transfer from Kirkwood Community College . . . excellent speed
. . . can also play infield . . . participated in the 1986 American Legion
World Series . . . son of James and Hiroko Welsh.

No previous UNI stats

37 Steve Bair
RHP . . . 6'3" . . . 180 . . . So.
Cedar Rapids, IA
Kennedy High
One of the top pitchers returning from last year's squad . . . good,
hard fastball to compliment off-speed pitches . . . would like to be an
administrator of a hospital someday . . . son of Gerald and Janet Bair.

APP GS GC W L SV IP H HR SO BB R ER WP ERA
1988 10 8 2 1 7 1 40.00 80 11 19 24 63 58 5 1 3.05

7 Steve Dreyer
RHP . . . 6'3" . . . 175 . . . So.
Ames, IA
Ames High
Real live arm . . . most likely one of the top performers on the hill
for the Panthers this year . . . also could see some action at third base
. . . likes to play pool and fish in spare time . . . son of William and
Susan Dreyer.

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1988 13 2 0 2 5 0 22.33 45 6 13 21 43 33 5 1 3.30

10 Brett Elson
1B . . . 6'3" . . . 175 . . . So.
Hiawatha, IA
Cedar Rapids Kennedy
Transfer from Luther College . . . left-handed contact hitter . . .
hit over .300 for the Norseman as a freshman . . . checks Eric Davis' box scores for a hobby . . . son of William and Fay Elson.

No previous UNI stats
29 Dennis Hanken
RHP . . . 6' . . . 175 . . . So.
Ossian, IA
South Winneshiek High
Second lowest ERA on the team in the fall at 2.92 . . . excellent curve and good natural movement on fastball . . . will probably be in rotation for the Panthers this spring . . . likes to golf . . . son of Geruse and Margaret Hanken.

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26 Brad Hansen
C . . . 6'3" . . . 185 . . . So.
Missouri Valley, IA
Missouri Valley High
Increased strength since last year has had positive effect on hitting . . . could help out behind the plate . . . hit .323 with 21 RBI's last fall . . . enjoys hunting and fishing . . . son of Dennis and Susan Hansen.

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RHP . . . 6'2" . . . 190 . . . So.
Bellevue, IA
Bellevue High
Gained valuable experience last season . . . can be successful if he improves control of off-speed pitches . . . would like to graduate from UNI and marry a beautiful female . . . son of Susan Huehnergarth.

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6 Mike Kelly
2B . . . 5'9" . . . 150 . . . So.
Boone, IA
Boone High
Transfer from DMACC . . . hard worker who plays good defense . . . could help out in middle infield . . . good contact hitter . . . would like to coach college baseball someday . . . son of Dick and Glenda Kelly.

19 Mike Morony
SS . . . 5'11" . . . 180 . . . So.
Spencer, IA
Spencer Community
Shows power to the gaps . . . needs to improve on defense to be effective . . . nicknamed "Sarge" by teammates . . . enjoys fishing . . . son of James and Darlene Morony.

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28 John Pratt
OF . . . 6'1" . . . 180 . . . So.
Nashua, IA
Nashua High
Strong arm and excellent speed . . . could be used as a reliever on the hill this season . . . stole 18 of 18 bases last fall with a .390 batting average . . . likes to downhill ski as a hobby . . . son of Delbert and Janet Pratt.

18 Matt TeStrake
1B . . . 6'3" . . . 190 . . . So.
Muscatine, IA
Muscatine High
Potentially a top-flight division I hitter . . . mechanically sound swing . . . good work ethic . . . needs experience to crack the lineup . . . enjoys running . . . son of Myron and Shirley TeStrake.

5 P.J. Conlon
OF . . . 5'9" . . . 160 . . . Fr.
Iowa City, IA
City High
Transfer from Creighton . . . excellent mechanical swing . . . hit .458 in the fall for the Panthers . . . sister Michelle was once Big Ten player of the year in tennis for the University of Iowa . . . son of Donald and Patricia Conlon.

Redshirts

Matt Auer
LHP . . . 6'2"
. . . 175 . . . Fr.
Iowa City, IA
Regina High
Three time all-conference player at Regina High . . . smooth lefty with a sneaky fastball . . . threw a no-hitter vs. Mt. Vernon in senior season . . . wants to major in secondary education . . . son of Dave and Ann Auer.

Mark Chambers
OF . . . 6'1"
. . . 170 . . . So.
East St. Louis, IL
Lincoln High
Will redshirt this year in hopes of playing time next season . . . runs the 40 yd. dash in 4.45 . . . very multi-talented athlete . . . son of Della Chambers.
Paul Childress  
OF . . . 5'10"  
. . . 150 . . . Fr.  
Humboldt, IA  
Humboldt High  
Batted .420 with 25 RBI's as a junior in high school... honorable mention all-state in 1987... enjoys racquet sports in spare time... son of Larry and Elanor Childress.

Brian Miller  
SS . . . 6'1" . . .  
165 . . . Fr.  
Iowa City, IA  
Regina High  
Versatile infielder who could make a difference up the middle next year... all-conference honors junior and senior years... struck out only once his senior season... enjoys watching all sports... son of Robert Miller and Cindi Stevens.

Andy Schmitz  
LHP . . . 5'11"  
. . . 160 . . . Fr.  
Waterloo, IA  
Columbus High  
Crafty lefthander... attended University of Iowa last year but did not play... could be a sleeper... enjoys tennis and basketball... son of George and Sharlene Schmitz.

Jamie Snyder  
RHP . . . 5'11"  
. . . 150 . . . Fr.  
Richland, IA  
Pekin (Puckwood)  
Potential to contribute in 1990... with strength... velocity will increase with strength... must throw strikes to be effective... son of Howard and Ann Snyder.

Aaron Walter  
SS . . . 5'11"  
. . . 165 . . . Fr.  
Glenwood, IA  
St. Albert High  
First team all-state elite as a senior... small schools West MVP in Iowa All-Star Game... good, raw ability... infielder of the future for the Panthers... son of Gib and Kay Walter.

Tovey Goynes (1987-88)  
Omaha, Nebraska  
What I remember about UNI baseball  
Being given the opportunity to prove myself at the Division I level from the day I walked on campus. And, competing against the best teams the NCAA has to offer.  
Most memorable moment  
Defeating my hometown school (Creighton) in a doubleheader in 1987. They were in the top twenty at the time, and I had the best day of my career. UNI Baseball earned some respect that day.
Northern Iowa Records

HITTING

Games
Season — 52, Dan Wirtz, 1988
Career — 145, Shawn Andrews, 1984-88
Team — 54, 1988

At-bats
Season — 156, Mark Lumpa, 1988
Career — 423, Todd Barkalow, 1983-86
Team — 1,521, 1988

Hits
Season — 61, Todd Barkalow, 1986
Career — 156, Todd Barkalow, 1983-86
Team — 417, 1988

Runs
Season — 49, Eric Snider, 1986
Career — 108, Todd Barkalow, 1983-86
Team — 366, 1988

Runs Batted In
Season — 63, Todd Barkalow, 1986
Career — 153, Todd Barkalow, 1983-86
Team — 323, 1986

Most total bases
Season — 120, Todd Barkalow, 1986
Career — 315, Todd Barkalow, 1983-86
Team — 713, 1986

Batting Average
Season — .525 (32-61), Dick Nottger, 1941
Career — .500 (61-122), Todd Barkalow, 1986
Team — .363, 1986

Slugging Percentage
Season — .984, Todd Barkalow, 1986
Team — .625, 1986

Doubles
Season — 14, Eric Snider, 1987
Career — 29, Shawn Andrews, 1984-88
Team — 81, 1987

Triples
Season — 6, Jerry Holbrook, 1962
Career — 10, Tim Hackenmiller, 1970-73
Team — 14, 1962

Home Runs
Season — 16, Todd Barkalow, 1986
Career — 42, Todd Barkalow, 1983-86
Team — 68, 1986
Freshman — 6, Loran Hackman, 1981

Stolen Bases
Season — 33, Eric Snider, 1987
Career — 65, Eric Snider, 1986-87
Team — 151, 1987

Extra Base Hits
Season — 25, Scott Schmelzer, 1985
Todd Barkalow, 1986
Career — 69, Todd Barkalow, 1983-86
Team — 152, 1986

Runs Batted In
Season — 63, Todd Barkalow, 1986
Career — 153, Todd Barkalow, 1983-86
Team — 323, 1986

Base on Balls
Season — 31, Todd Barkalow, 1986
Tovey Goynes, 1987
Career — 64, Mike Weber, 1974-77
Team — 212, 1986

PITCHING

Games
Season — 18; Tom Jansen, 1973
Career — 44, Tom Jansen, 1970-73

Games Started
Season — 8, Steve Bair, 1988

Wins
Season — 8, Doug Darnell, 1968
Career — 19, Doug Darnell, 1967-69

Complete Games
Season — 9, Darrell Bunge, 1962
Career — 15, Tom Simpson, 1963-65
Team — 18, 1976

Innings Pitched
Season — 79, Darrell Bunge, 1962
Career — 187, Scot Palmer, 1979-82
Team — 364.2, 1988

Earned Run Average
Season — 0.38, Tom Simpson, 1963
Career — 1.28, Tom Simpson, 1963-65
Team — 2.20, 1959

Earned Runs Allowed
Season — 58, Steve Bair, 1988
Team — 444, 1988

Consecutive Scoreless Innings
40.1, Tom Simpson, 1963
Pickoffs
Season — 14, Paul Boffeli, 1987
Career — 23, Paul Boffeli, 1984-87

Runs Allowed
Season — 73, Scott Childers, 1988
Team — 601, 1988

Walks Allowed
Season — 40, Mike Brandmeyer, 1988
Team — 355, 1988

TEAM PITCHING RECORDS

Appearances
Season — 136, 1988

Hits Allowed
Season — 605, 1988

Walks Allowed
Season — 355, 1988

Runs Allowed — Doubleheader
vs. Southwest Missouri, 40, 1985

Runs Allowed — Game
vs. Eastern Illinois, 28, 1988

Strikeouts
Season — 250, 1987

Shutouts
Season — 6, 1972

TEAM DEFENSE RECORDS

Putouts
Season — 1094, 1988

Assists
Season — 449, 1988

Errors
Season — 131, 1988

Total Chances
Season — 1674, 1988

Double Plays
Season — 43, 1988

Triple Plays
Season — 1, 1988

TEAM RECORDS

 Wins
Season — 26, 1981
1987

 Losses
Season — 43, 1988

Winning Streak
13 games, (10 games in 1947, 3 in 1948)

Losing Streak
13 games, 1988, 1983

Winning Margin
Game — 24 runs (27-3) vs. Monmouth, 1928

Losing Margin
Game — 26 runs (28-2) vs. Eastern Illinois, 1988

Runs, Both Teams
Game — 44 vs. Mt. Mercy, 1985

Most Runs
Game — 27 vs. Western Normal and Monmouth, 1928
Doubleheader — 45 vs. Mt. Mercy, 1988

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John King (1988)
Houston, Texas

What I remember about UNI baseball

The opportunity to integrate athletics and academics. We played some of the toughest competition in NCAA Division I, and UNI is one of the top accounting schools in the nation.

Most memorable moment

Finally getting a chance to start and going 7 for 9 with 7 runs batted in a doubleheader against Briar Cliff. It was a great way to close out my career.
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Brad Reifsteck (1988)
Minneapolis, Minnesota

What I remember about UNI baseball
The experience of playing against the best college baseball teams and players in the country. After four years out of baseball, it was an opportunity I thought I would never get.

Most memorable moment
Pitching to Robin Ventura of Oklahoma State. Ventura was an All-American, Olympic Gold Medalist, and first round pick of the Chicago White Sox. He grounded out to second base.
Opponents

Iowa State
“Cyclones”

Away: March 4-5
Location: Ames, Iowa
Colors: Cardinal and Gold
Head Coach: Bob Randall
Record @ Iowa State: 99-129-1
1988 Record: 27-31
Conference: Big Eight
Conference Record: 8-16
SID: Denise Seomin
SID Phone: (515) 294-3372

Lincoln
“Blue Tigers”

Away: March 11-12
Location: Jefferson City, Missouri
Colors: Navy Blue and White
Head Coach: Kirby Keth
Record @ Lincoln: First year
1988 Record: 9-20
Conference: Missouri Intercollegiate
Conference Record: 1-11
SID: Russell Boone, Jr.
SID Phone: (314) 681-5176

Upper Iowa
“Peacocks”

Home: March 14
Location: Fayette, Iowa
Colors: Columbia blue, Navy blue, White
Head Coach: Rick Heller
Record @ Upper Iowa: 7-30
1988 Record: 7-30
Conference: Iowa
Conference Record: 4-18
SID: Esther Jones
SID Phone: (319) 425-5296

St. Louis
“Billikens”

Away: March 18-19
Location: St. Louis, Missouri
Colors: Columbia Blue and White
Head Coach: Bob Hughes
Record @ St. Louis: First year
1988 Record: 11-29
Conference: Midwestern Collegiate
SID: Bob Delaney
SID Phone: (314) 658-3188

Arkansas
“Razorbacks”

Away: March 20
Location: Fayetteville, Arkansas
Colors: Cardinal and White
Head Coach: Norm DeBriyn
Record @ Arkansas: 650-326-3
1988 Record: 39-23
Conference: Southwest
Conference Record: 12-9
SID: Bill Rogers or Shea Hamilton
SID Phone: (501) 575-2751

Oklahoma
“Sooners”

Away: March 21
Location: Norman, Oklahoma
Colors: Crimson and Cream
Head Coach: Enos Semore
Record @ Oklahoma: 807-351
1988 Record: 45-21
Conference: Big Eight
Conference Record: 16-8
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Head Coach: John Kurtt
Record @ Wartburg: 80-115
1988 Record: 16-20
Conference: Iowa
Conference Record: 11-6
SID: Duane Schroeder
SID Phone: (319) 352-8277
**Quincy “Hawks”**

- **Home:** April 2
- **Location:** Quincy, Illinois
- **Colors:** Brown and White
- **Head Coach:** Jim Pransky
- **Record @ Quincy:** First year
- **1988 Record:** 20-30
- **Conference:** Independent
- **SID:** Jim Naumovich
- **SID Phone:** (217) 228-5275

**St. Xavier “Cougars”**

- **Away:** April 8-9
- **Location:** Chicago, Illinois
- **Colors:** Red and Gray
- **Head Coach:** John Morrey
- **Record @ St. Xavier:** 39-0-258
- **1988 Record:** 58-25
- **Conference:** Chicagoland Collegiate
- **Conference Record:** 9-0
- **SID:** John Morrey
- **SID Phone:** (312) 779-3300

**Northwestern “Wildcats”**

- **Away:** April 11
- **Location:** Evanston, Illinois
- **Colors:** Purple and White
- **Head Coach:** Paul Stevens
- **Record @ Northwestern:** 28-28
- **1988 Record:** 28-28
- **Conference:** Big Ten
- **Conference Record:** 11-17
- **SID:** Frand Mack
- **SID Phone:** (312) 491-7503

**Mount Mercy “Mustangs”**

- **Away:** April 12
- **Home:** May 2
- **Location:** Cedar Rapids, Iowa
- **Colors:** Royal and Gold
- **Head Coach:** Curt Long
- **Record @ Mount Mercy:** 44-48-1
- **1988 Record:** 28-25
- **Conference:** Independent
- **SID:** Dave Slifer
- **SID Phone:** (319) 363-8213 ex. 296

**Iowa “Hawkeyes”**

- **Away:** April 5
- **Home:** April 19
- **Location:** Iowa City, Iowa
- **Colors:** Old Gold and Black
- **Head Coach:** Duane Banks
- **Record @ Iowa:** 558-352-2
- **1988 Record:** 29-25
- **Conference:** Big Ten
- **Conference Record:** 14-14
- **SID:** Scott Reed
- **SID Phone:** (319) 335-9411
Western Illinois
"Leathernecks"

Away: April 15-16
Location: Macomb, Illinois
Colors: Purple and Gold
Head Coach: Dick Pawlow
Record @ Western Illinois: 375-319-8
1988 Record: 17-19-1
Conference: AMCU
Conference Record: 4-8
SID: Scott Reifert
SID Phone: (309) 298-1133

Minnesota
"Golden Gophers"

Away: April 25
Location: Minneapolis, Minnesota
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Head Coach: John Anderson
Record @ Minnesota: 258-138-1
1988 Record: 38-28
Conference: Big Ten
Conference Record: 22-12
SID: Tom Greenhoe
SID Phone: (612) 625-4090

Southern Missouri State
"Bears"

Home: April 22-23
Location: Springfield, Missouri
Colors: Maroon and White
Head Coach: Keith Gutten
Record @ SMSU: 217-94
1988 Record: 41-17
Conference: AMCU
Conference Record: 12-0
SID: Mark Stillwell
SID Phone: (417) 836-5402

Eastern Illinois
"Panthers"

Away: April 29-30
Location: Charleston, Illinois
Colors: Blue and Grey
Head Coach: Dan Callahan
Record @ Eastern: First year
1988 Record: 27-23
Conference: AMCU
Conference Record: 6-6
SID: Dave Kidwell
SID Phone: (217) 581-5981

St. Ambrose
"Fighting Bees"

Home: April 27
Location: Davenport, Iowa
Colors: Blue and White
Head Coach: John Furlong
Record @ St. Ambrose: 19-25
1988 Record: 19-25
Conference: Independent
SID: Don White
SID Phone: (319) 383-8943

Nebraska
"Cornhuskers"

Away: May 3
Location: Lincoln, Nebraska
Colors: Scarlet and Cream
Head Coach: John Sanders
Record @ Nebraska: 474-213
1988 Record: 48-23
Conference: Big Eight
Conference Record: 12-12
SID: Chris Bouma
SID Phone: (402) 472-2263
Away: May 6-7
Location: Columbia, Missouri
Colors: Old Gold and Black
Head Coach: Gene McArtor
Record @ Missouri: 533-289-3
1988 Record: 42-22
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27 Gene Baker  Head Coach
## 1988 Final Statistics

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### UNI Totals

- **UNI Totals**: 363.67 605 218 11 0.295 3.00
- **Opponents**: 383.67 417 395 201 128 9.52

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## Panther Year-by-Year Team Statistics (Division 1)

Since 1982

### Hitting

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One of the goals of the Division 1 conference was to secure an automatic qualification into the NCAA Basketball Tournament. The league had its first season of cage competition in 1982-83, and it fulfilled its requirements for automatic NCAA Tournament qualification for the 1987-88 season.

In addition to basketball, the AMCU sponsors eight other sports, including soccer, baseball, cross country, swimming, indoor track, outdoor track, golf, and tennis.

AMCU headquarters are located in Chicago, IL, with a staff of commissioner Jerry Ippoliti, information director Michael Madsen, and secretary Marcia Hokin. Richard Weiler of Oak Lawn, IL, is the supervisor of basketball officials, and the 1988-89 league president is Dr. Ralph Wagoner of Western Illinois. The AMCU is governed by a Council of Delegates, made up of the presidents and athletic directors of member schools.
Final 1988 AMCU Standings

**Gray Division**
- *Southwest Missouri State*
- Eastern Illinois
- Western Illinois
- Northern Iowa

**Blue Division**
- Valparaiso
- Illinois-Chicago
- Cleveland State

*AMCU Tournament Champion.

1989 AMCU Baseball Teams

**Blue Division**
- Cleveland State University
- University of Illinois at Chicago
- Valparaiso University

**Gray Division**
- Eastern Illinois
- Northern Iowa
- Southwest Missouri State
- Western Illinois

All-Time AMCU Tournament Records

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UNI's All-AMCU Players

1984-Loran Hackman, Sr.
1985-None
1986-First Base-Todd Barkalow, Sr.
            Outfield-Scott Schmelzer, Sr.
1987-Designated Hitter-Jeff Frese, Jr.
            First Base-Rico Vaske, Sr.
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1988-Outfield-Mark Lumpa, Jr.
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| Gary Swanson | 1985-1987 (3) | 138 | 66 | 71 | 1  | .482|
| Gene Baker   | 1988-      | 54  | 11 | 43 | 0  | .204|

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Landmarks on the 838-acre campus include the Campanile, the Education Center, Strayer-Wood Theatre, Maucker University Union and the UNI-Dome. Special academic resources include the 600,000-volume University Library, the Industrial Technology Center and the Communication Arts Center.

The City of Cedar Falls is a pleasant and historic college town adjacent to Waterloo. Together, they are part of a major metropolitan area with a population of more than 100,000. It is a center for manufacturing, finance, commerce and cultural activities in northeast Iowa.
1989 Schedule

March
4 @Iowa State (DH) 1:00 Ames
5 @Iowa State (DH) 1:00 Ames
11 @Lincoln (DH) 1:00 Jefferson City, MO
12 @Lincoln (DH) 12:00 Jefferson City, MO
14 UPPER IOWA (DH) 1:00 CEDAR FALLS
18 @St. Louis (DH) 1:00 St. Louis, MO
19 @St. Louis (DH) 1:00 St. Louis, MO
20 @Arkansas 7:00 Fayetteville, AK
21 @Oklahoma 6:00 Norman, OK
22 @Oklahoma State 6:00 Stillwater, OK
23 @Wichita State 3:00 Wichita, KS
24 @Kansas 2:00 Lawrence, KS
25 @Kansas 2:00 Lawrence, KS
26 @Kansas State (DH) 1:00 Manhattan, KS
29 @Wartburg (DH) 1:00 Waverly
30 CREIGHTON (DH) 2:00 CEDAR FALLS

April
2 QUINCY (DH) 1:00 CEDAR FALLS
4 @Iowa State 3:00 Ames
5 @Iowa 3:00 Iowa City
6 @Iowa State 3:00 Ames
8 @St. Xavier (DH) 12:00 Chicago, IL
9 @St. Xavier (DH) 12:00 Chicago, IL
10 @Illinois at Chicago 7:00 Chicago, IL
11 @Northwestern 2:30 Evanston, IL
12 @Mount Mercy (DH) 1:00 Macomb, IL
*15 @Western Illinois (DH) 12:00 Macomb, IL
*16 @Western Illinois (DH) 2:00 Cedar Rapids
18 WARTB URG (DH) 2:00 CEDAR FALLS
19 IOWA 4:00 WATERLOO
20 IOWA STATE 3:00 CEDAR FALLS
*22 SOUTHWEST MISSOURI (DH) 1:00 CEDAR FALLS
*23 SOUTHWEST MISSOURI (DH) 12:00 CEDAR FALLS
25 @Minnesota 3:00 Minneapolis, MN
26 IOWA STATE 7:00 WATERLOO
27 ST. AMBROSE (DH) 2:00 CEDAR FALLS
*29 @Eastern Illinois (DH) 1:00 Charleston, IL
*30 @Eastern Illinois (DH) 12:00 Charleston, IL

May
2 MOUNT MERCY (DH) 2:00 CEDAR FALLS
3 @Nebraska (DH) 4:00 Lincoln, NE
4 @Creighton 1:00 Omaha, NE
6 @Missouri (DH) 4:00 Columbia, MO
7 @Missouri (DH) 1:00 Columbia, MO
*12-14 @AMCU Tournament TBA Chicago, IL

*AMCU Conference Games