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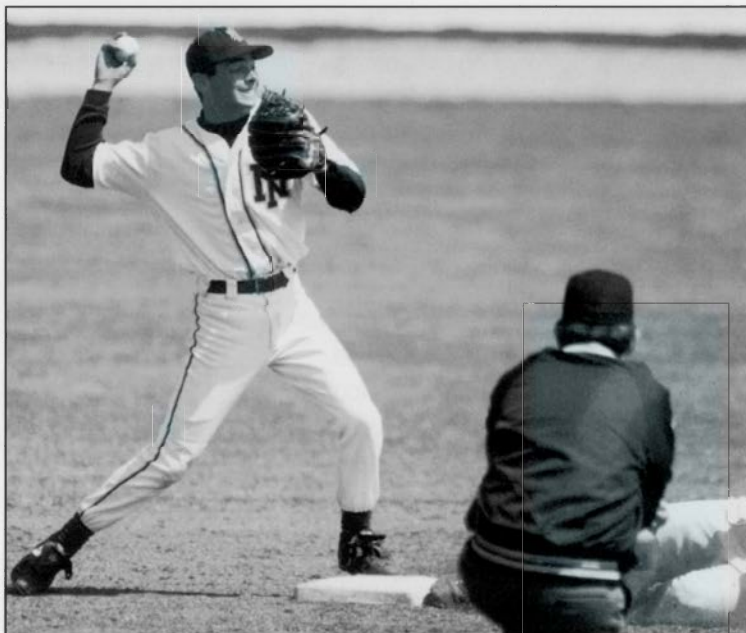
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Senior Todd Rima, second baseman

GENERAL INFORMATION

University of Northern Iowa

Founded: 1876

Enrollment: 13,108

Nickname: Panthers

Colors: Purple and Old Gold

Home Field (Cap.): Waterloo Riverfront Stadium (4,277)

Surface/Dim.: Grass L-335, LC-360, C-380, RC-360, R-335

Conference: Missouri Valley

President: Dr. Robert Koob

Athletic Director: Christopher Ritrievi



BASEBALL INFORMATION

Head Coach: Dave Schrage

Alma Mater, Year: Creighton, 1983

Record at UNI (Years): 156-231 (7)

Career Record (Years): 156-231 (7)

Baseball Office: (319) 273-6323

Assistant Coach: Scott Douglas

Assistant Coach: Wade Brinkopf

Assistant Coach: Jack Sole

Strength/Conditioning Coach: Jim Kramer

Trainer: Jeff Marcks

Student Trainer: Vic Vanderpool

Secretary: Linda Wiges

1997 Record: 32-23

1997 MVC Record/Finish: 18-8/2nd

Lettermen Returning/Lost: 18/5

Starting Position Players Returning/Lost: 6/3

Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost: 2/2

MEDIA INFORMATION

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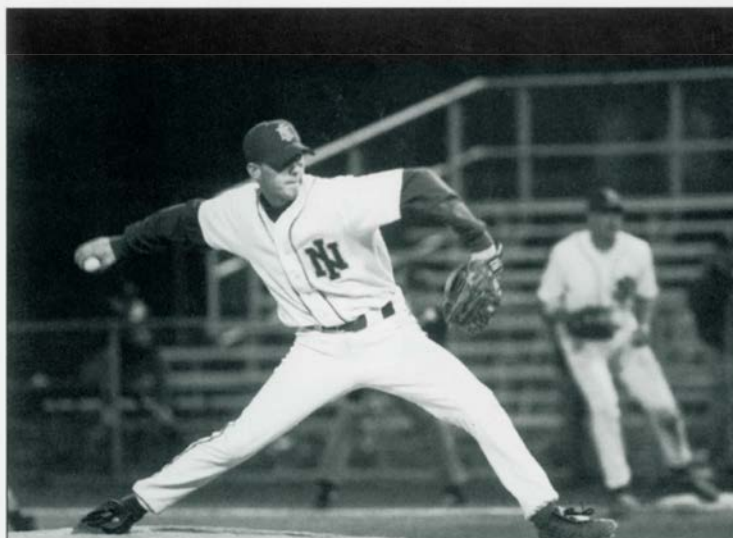
MEDIA OUTLETS

KCNZ (1250 AM) TO BROADCAST 23 GAMES IN 1998

Once again this season, KCNZ (1250 AM) will carry more than 20 Panther baseball games live, with Tracey Williams calling the play-by-play.

Date	Opponent	Time
3/28	☆ Southern Illinois (DH)	Noon
3/29	☆ Southern Illinois	1 p.m.
4/4	☆ at Bradley (DH)	1 p.m.
4/5	☆ at Bradley (DH)	1 p.m.
4/8	☆ Creighton (2nd game)	3 p.m.
4/12	☆ SW Missouri St (DH)	Noon
4/14	Iowa State	6 p.m.
4/17	☆ at Illinois State	7 p.m.
4/18	☆ at Illinois State (DH)	3 p.m.
4/24	☆ Evansville	7 p.m.
4/25	☆ Evansville (DH)	4 p.m.
4/28	Iowa	6 p.m.
4/29	at Iowa State	3 p.m.
5/1	St. Andrews	7 p.m.
5/2	Wright State	7 p.m.
5/8	☆ at Wichita State	7 p.m.
5/9	☆ at Wichita State	3:30 p.m.
5/13-16	Missouri Valley Conference Tournament at Evansville, Ind.	

☆ indicates a Missouri Valley Conference game



Junior Kirk Chamberlain, pitcher

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Print	Phone	Address
Waterloo Courier	(319) 291-1466 Fax: (319) 291-2069	PO Box 540, Waterloo, IA 50704
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KCRG-TV	(319) 398-8391	2nd Ave at 5th St. SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401
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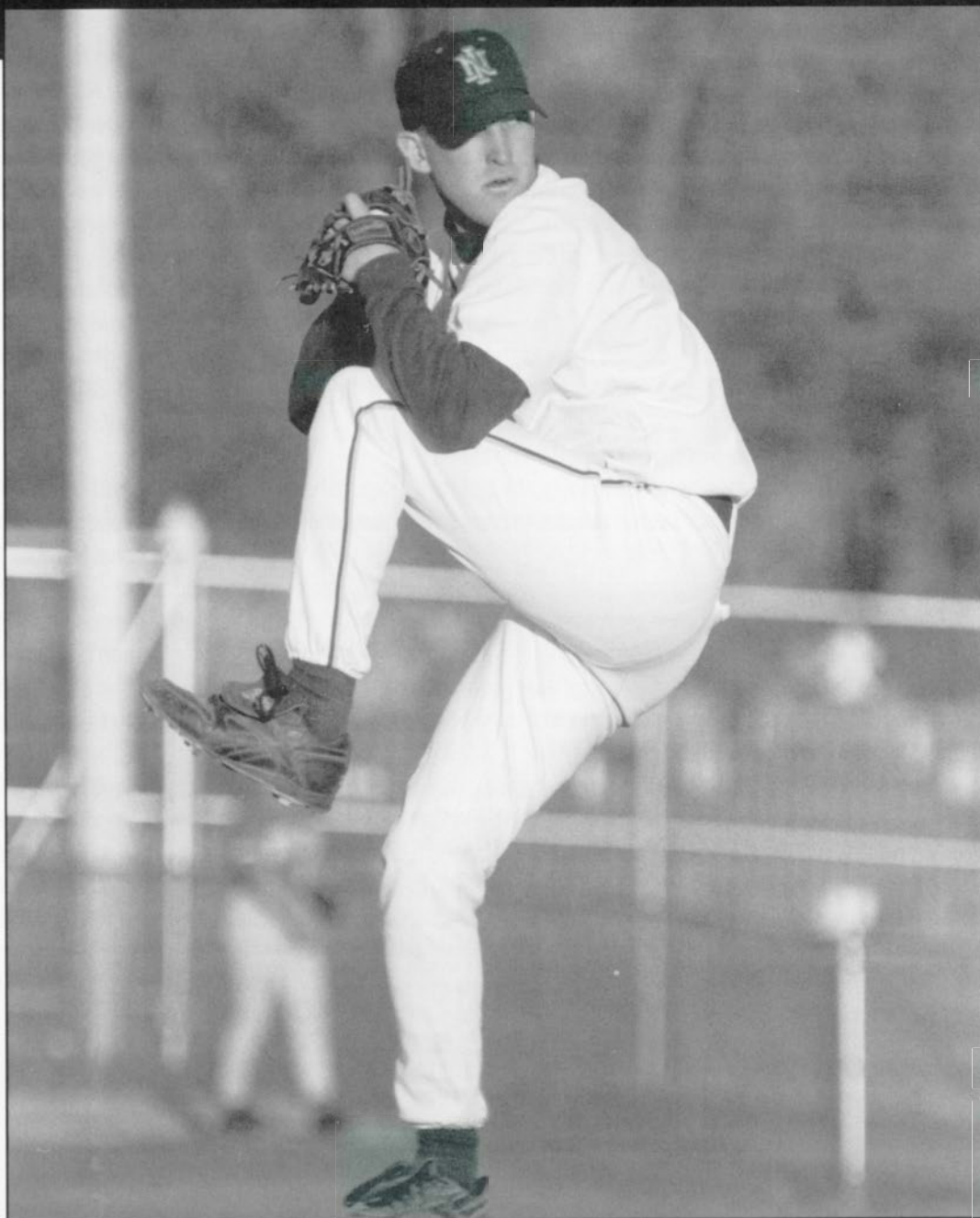
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Scoreboard phone: The conference office maintains the scoreboard phone that may be reached by calling (314) 997-9877. Scores from Valley baseball are updated each evening.

Internet address: The Northern Iowa Athletic Department maintains a web site containing information on the school's 19 intercollegiate athletic programs, administration and ticket sales. It may be accessed on the World Wide Web at: <http://uni.edu/athletic>.

The **P**anthers return 18 of last season's 23 letterwinners in 1998. Half of those 18 are pitchers.

Northern Iowa head coach Dave Schrage is the only man to be named All-Missouri Valley Conference as a player and to earn Missouri Valley Coach of the Year honors (1995 and 1997).



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HEAD COACH DAVE SCHRAGE



As he enters his eighth season at Northern Iowa, there's no question Dave Schrage has left an indelible mark on the Panther baseball program.

His 156 wins rank him as the third-winningest coach in Northern Iowa baseball history, behind L.W. Whitford and J.D. Anderson, who coached at Northern Iowa for 39 and 18 seasons, respectively.

Schrage's teams have established school bests for wins in a season (32) and wins in the Missouri Valley Conference (18). Of the 15 former Panthers who've gone on to play professional baseball, 10 played at least two seasons under Schrage's guidance. The Panthers recorded their first winning season in nine years in 1995. The following season, they made it to the Missouri Valley Conference tournament. As well, Schrage is the only man in Valley history to be named to the Missouri Valley All-Conference team as a player and to earn coach of the year honors.

"When I took over, I wanted to build a program where the kids who came here wanted to be here and were excited about playing for Northern Iowa," Schrage said. "We've always gotten those kids, but the caliber of player now is getting better and better."

At Northern Iowa, the 1995 and 1997 Missouri Valley Coach of the Year has posted a 156-231 record against a schedule that includes 21 games each season against one of the strongest baseball leagues in the nation, the Missouri Valley Conference. In the last three years, Schrage's teams have compiled a 86-82 record.

Under Schrage's guidance at Northern Iowa, the baseball program has jumped from the Mid-Continent Conference into the Missouri Valley, moved to a former minor league ballpark in neighboring Waterloo, added live radio broadcasts of home and away games and has nearly doubled the program's financial support. Four of the 10 men who've played professional baseball following their time playing for Schrage at Northern Iowa were chosen in Major League Baseball's amateur draft in June.

"I'm in coaching to develop each player as a person," Schrage said. "Because of experiences I had as a player, I think when kids are suddenly out on their own, some are strong enough to make good decisions, but a lot aren't. If I can be the person who helps them make the right decision and influence them positively, then that's what I'm all about and it's what my job is all about."

Schrage's philosophy on the development of the whole young man, not just the baseball player, leads to something of a family atmosphere surrounding Northern Iowa baseball.

"We try to develop a total family/team concept here. We do things once a month off the field to foster that concept," he said. "We've done three-man best shot golf tournaments, we have the kids over to the house for dinner, we visit the hospitals and try to give back. With 22 weeks, counting fall and spring seasons, we spend a lot of time together, so we may as well get along and enjoy each other."

Schrage came to Northern Iowa in the summer of 1990, following three years as head coach at Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa, where he led the Warriors to the junior college sub-regional championship game in 1989 and 1990. In his time at Waldorf, he posted a

THE SCHRAGE FILES

Year	School	Record
1988	Waldorf College	16-26
1989	Waldorf College	21-20
1990	Waldorf College	24-20
1991	Northern Iowa	12-44
1992	Northern Iowa	22-34
1993	Northern Iowa	12-39
1994	Northern Iowa	24-32
1995	Northern Iowa	28-27
1996	Northern Iowa	26-32
1997	Northern Iowa	32-23

Division I Record/Record at UNI:

156-231 (.403); seven seasons

All-time Coaching Record:

213-297 (.418); ten seasons



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HEAD COACH DAVE SCHRAGE

62-67 record, and sent two players into the draft.

No stranger to the Missouri Valley Conference, Schrage was a four-year starter in centerfield for the Creighton Blue Jays from 1980-1983. In 1982, he led the MVC in batting average, hitting the magical .400 plateau. The following season, he bettered his average, hitting .433. Schrage earned All-Missouri Valley Conference honors following his junior season in 1982, and was named to the GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American Team in 1983.

Schrage's first collegiate coaching experience came as a graduate assistant at Biscayne College in Miami in 1984 before he returned to his alma mater as an assistant to Jim Hendry in 1985 and 1986. At Creighton, he was instrumental in recruiting the class *Collegiate Baseball* named the fifth-best in the nation in 1985. Three of those players were eventually drafted by major league teams, most notably former Olympian and current Chicago Cubs' catcher Scott Servais.

"Dave is as knowledgeable about the entire game as any player or coach I worked with at Creighton," Hendry, now the director of scouting for the Chicago Cubs, said. "He is a great teacher and communicator with his players in all facets of the game. Dave knows baseball in the Midwest as well as anyone."

Schrage spent some time overseas, as he was named the head coach of the Mt. Gravatt Eagles Club in Brisbane, Australia, in 1987. He also played and coached for the National League champion Queensland Rams while in Australia.

Schrage is active in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and helped found the Creighton chapter.

Schrage, 36, received his bachelor's degree in business administration from Creighton University in 1983 and his master's degree in sports administration from Biscayne in 1984.

He and his wife, Jody, have two daughters, Kaitlyn and Brianne.

COACH SCHRAGE ON NORTHERN IOWA BASEBALL

ON PRACTICE- "We break the year up into two segments — six weeks in the fall and the 16-week spring program. Our fall program is a real teaching time, and it's when guys can earn a position. The fall season is very important for our freshmen and junior college transfers to become acclimated to our system.

"When we're done with our fall program, we go into off-season conditioning and hitting. We weight-train six hours a week and hit and work individually for two hours a week. After the winter break, we start our 16-week spring program, where we spend the first four weeks in the UNI-Dome, conditioning for our first games in February.

"As far as individual practices go, I think we're pretty organized. As a staff, we appreciate that our student-athletes have other commitments beyond baseball, so we try to get them in and out of our three-hour practice. Obviously if we're not getting things accomplished, we may go a little longer. We're more intense and harder on the kids in practice than we are on game day."

ON GAME DAY- "Most athletes are geared up to play on game day; they're excited to play and put a little pressure on themselves. As a result, they don't need the coaching staff screaming at them because they're already a little tense. If they're not, they're not ready to play. If they come out flat, though, of course you have to get them fired up.

"We play so many games, and our season is so long that we approach it with a really even keel throughout the year. We may have to bounce back from a bottom of the ninth loss in 15 minutes, so we teach our kids that whether we win or lose, baseball's a game where there's always tomorrow."

WHY UNI?- "I think there are a lot of reasons. First, we're playing at one of the top collegiate levels for baseball in the nation. For a Midwest kid who wants to play at the highest level, the Missouri Valley and its consistently high RPI are something you really want to look at.

"Our educational opportunities are excellent. The reality is that for every kid who's drafted, three graduate, so our players need to plan for what they want to do after college. We have a lot of kids who want to be coaches. They get great experience in the education department here.

"Kids are well-known at UNI. We're a medium-sized school, and there are huge advantages to that. The professors know you, yet you're playing the same teams as Michigan or USC. It's hard to walk across campus without running into someone you know.

"Our facilities are great. The UNI-Dome is the best indoor facility we can ask for. We're able to hit fly balls and take a full infield; the only thing we can't do in the Dome is hit live. When a player looks at a school, he wants to ask, "What type of developmental facilities are there to help me become a better player?" I think we have that in the Dome. Also, we play in Riverfront Stadium, an older ballpark with some character. If we move our home season back and don't play when it's 40 degrees out, we'll draw people; Waterloo-Cedar Falls is very supportive of baseball. On a good night, we can draw a couple thousand fans.

"Our weight coach has helped our guys get not only stronger, but also quicker, through a new program. Our players develop both skill-wise and physically.

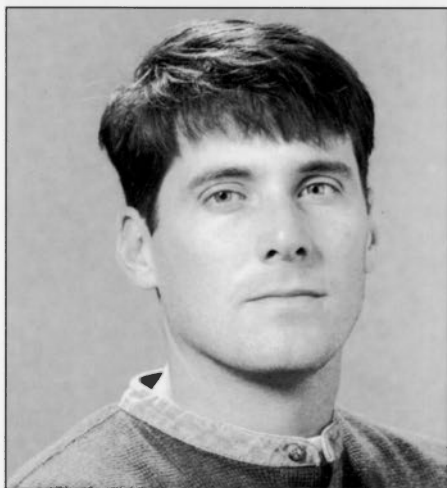
"We have a quality coaching staff who are coaches for the right reasons. Between the ages of 18-23, a lot of things happen. Student-athletes decide what they want to do in life, they develop as baseball players, they develop a lot of moral values. And while this developmental process means, yeah, they're going to develop as baseball players, we also want to develop them academically and as good young men who will be positive influences on society. When they're done at Northern Iowa, we want them to leave as better young men than when they came in."

COACHING PHILOSOPHY- "I'm a big believer that you win with good people. I can't stress that enough. There are two things I ask from my players: preparation and hard work. There are a lot of things in baseball you can't control; luck is a huge part of this game. However, if you do everything you can to prepare yourself for the game and give total effort, the wins will take care of themselves. If we, as coaches, do our job, and they go out and give it everything they've got, the wins will happen. If we start thinking, "Oh, we've gotta win," we're in trouble because we've lost focus of the preparation.

"Our season is long. You have to keep an even keel during the season and during games. Baseball in general is a game where you're going to fail. However, it's also a game of timing, and you have to keep a positive attitude all the time. It's the only game, and this is what makes it so great, where you get a million second chances. That's what makes it so much fun. If you don't succeed, 15 minutes later, you'll get another chance to succeed. Baseball's a game where you can get awfully negative, and if you have that, you're going to have problems.

"The other thing my philosophy is based on is that we're all Panthers. We're all on the same team. I try to make the guy that gets 10 at bats feel as important as my MVP. Making sure everyone realizes we're all Panthers and everyone has a special purpose on the team, whether they're one of the top players, the 32nd guy or a redshirt freshman, is one of the keys to developing a program."

ASSISTANT COACHES



**ASSISTANT COACH
SCOTT DOUGLAS**

Scott Douglas enters his first season with the Panthers, after spending from May 1996 to July 1997 working for the Moose Jaw Diamond Dogs, a member of the Prairie League in Canada.

Douglas, the first base coach for the Panthers, is primarily responsible for recruiting and infield and hitting instruction.

A 1994 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University in Texas, Douglas spent two years playing at Waldorf Junior College in Forest City, Iowa, prior to transferring to Hardin-Simmons.

He spent 1994 and 1995 playing professional baseball for the Regina Cyclones of the North Central League and the Moose Jaw Diamond Dogs. Douglas also spent five seasons playing semi-professional baseball in the Saskatchewan Major Baseball League with former professional and college players.

Douglas was an assistant coach at Hardin-Simmons from 1992-1996, where he was responsible for recruiting, infield and hitting instruction, off-season conditioning and field maintenance.

Douglas, a native of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada, holds a bachelor's degree in physical education, and is married to Keri. The couple has no children.



**ASSISTANT COACH
WADE BRINKOPF**

Wade Brinkopf begins his second season as Northern Iowa's pitching coach, after spending 1997 as a volunteer assistant coach.

Brinkopf, a 1984 graduate of the University of Northern Colorado, has coached at all levels of baseball, from Legion baseball to NCAA Division I.

Brinkopf played at the University of Colorado from 1979-80 and at Northern Colorado from 1980-83. He still holds the school record for most saves in a season at Northern Colorado with five, and his seven career saves place him second among all-time save leaders.

As the pitching coach at Northern Colorado from 1994-95, his teams notched the most wins in school history, and received a bid to the 1994 Division II Regional tournament.

Brinkopf was interim head coach at Lamar Community College for the 1989 season. He was a player-coach in the Stan Musial Baseball League from 1981-84, and was coach and general manager of the Colorado Bears baseball team, a member of that league, from 1986-93.

Brinkopf also spent time as an assistant coach at Regis High School in Cedar Rapids, and worked as an associate scout for the Milwaukee Brewers organization from 1989-91.



**ASSISTANT COACH
JACK SOLE**

Joining the UNI staff for his second season is volunteer assistant Jack Sole. Sole's primary responsibilities will be with the Panther catchers. He will also assist with hitting instruction.

Sole served as an assistant at Yuba Junior College in California from 1994-96. While at Yuba, the 49ers posted a record of 28-23 in 1996.

From 1990-93, he was an assistant at Upper Iowa University, where the 1993 squad won a conference championship and advanced to the Division III Midwest regional.

Sole played three seasons at Upper Iowa, where he ranked second in the Division III Iowa Conference with a .398 batting average his senior season.

A 1989 graduate of Upper Iowa with a bachelor's degree in physical education, Sole is a native of Battle Ground, Wash.

He and his wife Colleen have a son, J.T.

PANTHERS LOOK TO CONTINUE SUCCESS

The 1998 Northern Iowa baseball team does not plan to rest on its laurels.

Led by 1997 Missouri Valley Coach of the Year Dave Schrage, the 1998 Panthers are coming off their most successful season in history and plan to show the Valley they're for real.

"This year, we're out to prove that we're not a flash in the pan," said Schrage. "We are in the process of building a solid program, and we need to show that to the rest of the Valley. This year, we need to continue the success we've had during the season and jump to the next level with success in the post-season."

Coming off a year in which the Panthers won 10 Missouri Valley Conference games by one run, Northern Iowa will attempt to establish staying power against an experienced, challenging MVC.

"The conference race should be a dogfight," Schrage said. "Southwest Missouri State, Wichita State and Illinois State are all loaded this year. As we found out last year, there's a very fine line between winning and losing in the Valley, but if you can sweep a couple of teams and hang on, you'll be o.k."

As well, the Panthers will face the toughest schedule since Schrage took the helm in 1991, including non-conference opponents Oklahoma State, Cal State-Northridge, Connecticut, Nebraska and intrastate rivals Iowa and Iowa State. Of the Panthers' 29 opponents, 16 have been to the NCAA Tournament since 1990.

The 1997 squad left its mark on the record books, posting the most wins in a season in school history (32), the most wins in conference play (18), total home runs on the season (64), total bases (831), innings pitched (440) and most strikeouts by the pitching staff (440). As well, 18 single-season individual records were set, and 33 spots were secured on career leader lists.

The Panthers return six of their nine starters from last season, but contend with the loss of 1997 Missouri Valley Conference Most Valuable Player Brian Jergenson, who played in at least 60 percent of each season's games since 1994. Also lost are Kevin Sawatzky's 13 home runs and 42 RBI of a year ago, and the solid play of Gabe Wyckoff.

"While we lost quite a bit last season, I think that we have a lot of potential waiting in the wings," Schrage said. "We're really



Junior Luke Sabers, pitcher and senior Ryan Jacobs, catcher

interchangeable," he said. "We're not locked into definite starters; we'll switch things up depending on the pitcher and lineup we're facing in any given game."

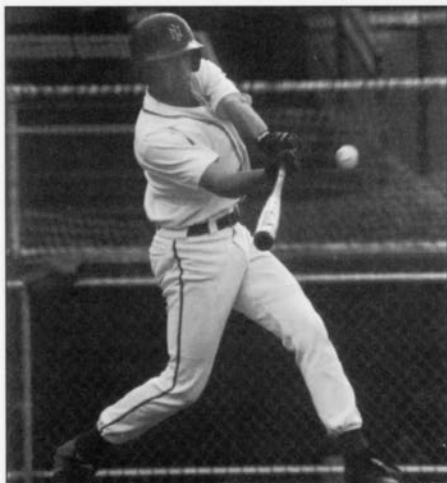
Behind the plate, the Panthers expect senior Ryan Jacobs, senior Josh Ellwanger and junior Mike Waller to see time. "Jacobs had a tremendous 1997," Schrage said. "He hit over .300 in the three-hole for us in almost 50 games. Ellwanger is impressive offensively and is a good defensive catcher. He has a great arm."

"Waller is our utility guy. The only positions he can't play are centerfield and first. Somehow, we'll get him in the lineup."

With the graduation of Jergenson, Northern Iowa's four-year first baseman, at least three Panthers are poised to take his place.

According to Schrage, the starting role at first is clouded by Tom Hunter. Hunter, a two-sport athlete who took last season off to

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Senior Josh Dunham, rightfielder



Junior Aaron Houdeshell, shortstop



Junior Mike Waller, utility

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concentrate on football, will be in the lineup somewhere. "He has the most power of any kid I've coached. We'll see how the year off affects him, but he should be able to pick up the slack lost by Jergenson and Sawatzky," Schrage said.

Schrage said Ryan McGuire, a hard working senior who has put in his time behind Jergenson may see some time. "He's a great contact hitter, and is very solid defensively."

Also at first is freshman Ryan Brunner, a left-handed power hitter who led the squad in home runs during the fall season. "He's one of the best in Iowa," Schrage said. "Without question, he'll see some time. He's a kid who just has to play for us."

Second base is the only position that is truly set in stone, according to Schrage. "I see Todd Rima as this year's all-conference second baseman," he said. "He is the best in the league, and is solid defensively and at the plate." The three-year starter's 16 doubles last season allowed him to set the record for doubles in a career with 39.

Backing up Rima will be Waller and freshman Tom Martin, a native of Dyersville, Iowa. "We have high expectations for Tommy," Schrage said. "He comes from a great baseball area, and was a good shortstop in high school."

Third is the deepest position in the Panther infield, as there are at least four players who may see time. Senior Brain Kegler had an impressive fall season, said Schrage, and belted seven home runs last season, the second-highest among returning players. "He'll need to step up with Jergy and Sawatzky's leaving," Schrage said.

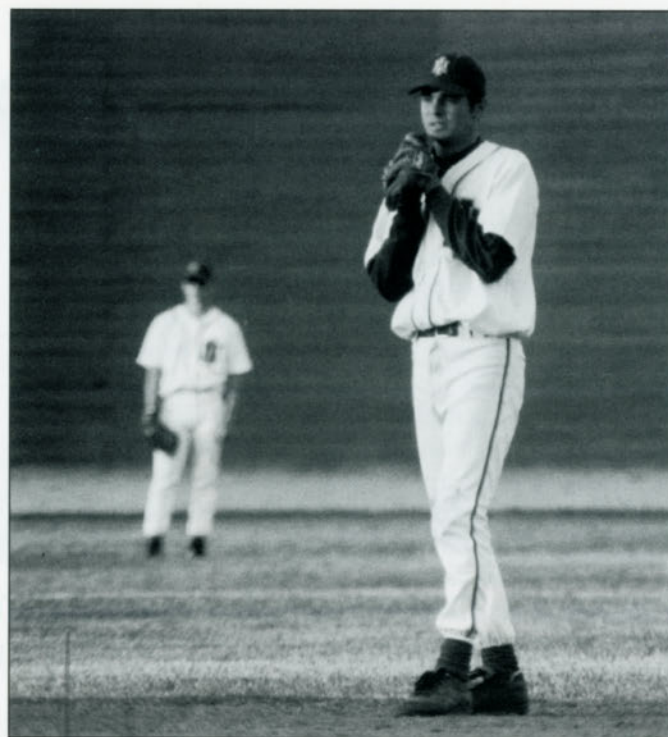
Also a possibility at third is freshman Chris Grier, whom Schrage said was having a good fall before breaking his wrist. "Chris' best attribute is his bat. He may see a little time at first, catcher or in the DH role."

Waller and freshman Dan Heefner have been mentioned as playing third as well.

"Heefner is a redshirt freshman who really came on last fall," Schrage said. "We expect that he'll just continue to get better."

The Panthers also face the challenge of filling the spot of four-year mainstay Kevin Sawatzky at shortstop. "Wow. This one is a big hole for us to fill," said Schrage. "However, we're confident we have some kids who can step in and do the job."

First in line is junior Aaron Houdeshell, whom Schrage said stepped in last fall and did an admirable job. "He's a great left-handed contact



Senior Todd Rima, second baseman

hitter. He's a kid who really understands the game of baseball and just does the little things to get the job done. He's extremely solid defensively." Expected to back up Houdeshell are junior transfer Adam Spencer and Heefner.

"Spencer was a nice surprise for us," Schrage said. "We talked with him a couple years ago and suggested he spend some time at a junior college to develop his skills. He's really improved his quickness and defensive ability."

The solid outfield looks to be anchored by sophomore Scott Schirmer in center, a position he held for all but five games of 1997. "He's a little stronger and has more power this season," Schrage said. Senior Randy Riffle will see time, as will senior Josh Dunham and junior Greg Woodin. "Riffle is not our fastest guy, but he is our best base runner. He'll probably lead-off our lineup."

"Woodin is a winner," said Schrage. "He really improved his batting average last season, and had an unbelievable Phoenix



RETURNING LETTERWINNERS

Scott Brickman, P	Marcus Kjeldson, OF
Kevin Briggeman, P	Ryan McGuire, 1B/OF
Jason Chalupsky, P	Randy Riffle, OF
Kirk Chamberlain, P	Todd Rima, 2B
Josh Dunham, OF	Luke Sabers, P
Josh Ellwanger, C	Scott Schirmer, OF
Bryan Gill, P	Scott Sobkowiak, P
Scott Hoey, P	Scott Vrba, P
Aaron Houdeshell, UT	Mike Waller, C
Ryan Jacobs, C	Greg Woodin, OF
Brian Kegler, 3B	

**Lost five letterwinners from the 1997 squad.*

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tourney last year. We need him to become more consistent this season."

"Dunham was a great surprise last year," Schrage said. "His accomplishments are a credit to his work ethic. He was our leading hitter in conference play (.412), and will help solidify the outfield."

Matt Friedman, a transfer from Mankato State, will see some time in the outfield and has a very solid bat, according to Schrage. Also seeing time will be Marcus Kjeldson, a quick, left-handed hitter.

Unquestionably, the strength of this year's squad is the pitching staff.

"We're very deep. We have a lot of arms, and they're going to carry us this season," Schrage said. The starting rotation will be anchored by Scott Brickman, Kevin Briggeman and Scott Sobkowiak.

Brickman, a returning right-hander, is coming off shoulder problems. "Scott seems to be o.k.," Schrage said, "If he is, he's as good as anyone in the Missouri Valley Conference." Brickman's 3.60 ERA was the lowest among UNI's starting pitchers last season.

Briggeman, a senior who worked 41.2 innings last year, mostly in long relief, will see a good deal of time this season. Briggeman made 15 appearances, and ended the season with a 5.18 ERA. "Kevin pitched a lot for us last season and made some key starts in the Valley. We look for more of the same this year," Schrage said.

Sobkowiak, who set a single-season record for strikeouts with 94 and spent time overseas pitching for USA Baseball, has matured considerably, according to Schrage. "He's just a workhorse," Schrage said. "His time with USA Baseball really helped him grow and develop. He should have a good shot at a high draft pick in June."

Senior Scott Vrba has improved his longevity, according to

Schrage, and should see some time. As well, Scott Hoey, who's spent a good deal of his two years in the bullpen, may see a few starts. "He just needs to gain some big game experience, and he'll be o.k.," Schrage said.

Last season's closer, Luke Sabers, may join the starting rotation. "He's an extremely competitive kid," Schrage said.

Two of the better junior arms in the program belong to Kirk Chamberlain and Brad Moore, said Schrage. "Both of those kids throw 90 (mph). Chamberlain has developed well since high school, and added four to five miles per hour to his fastball. He's the most improved pitcher we have, and we really expect big things from him."

"Moore is untested in a game situation, but has great arm strength," said Schrage.

Aaron Lubach, coming off a redshirt season, will probably see time as a long reliever, with a few spot starts, according to Schrage. "He threw a lot for us three years ago, and has upped his fastball from 82 to 86 (mph). He had a great fall."

Jason Chalupsky and Bryan Gill, the two left-handed pitchers on the Northern Iowa squad, will probably both see time in relief roles. "Gill will spend more time on short relief, and Jason will be a long reliever, with the potential for a few starts. They're both still developing as pitchers."

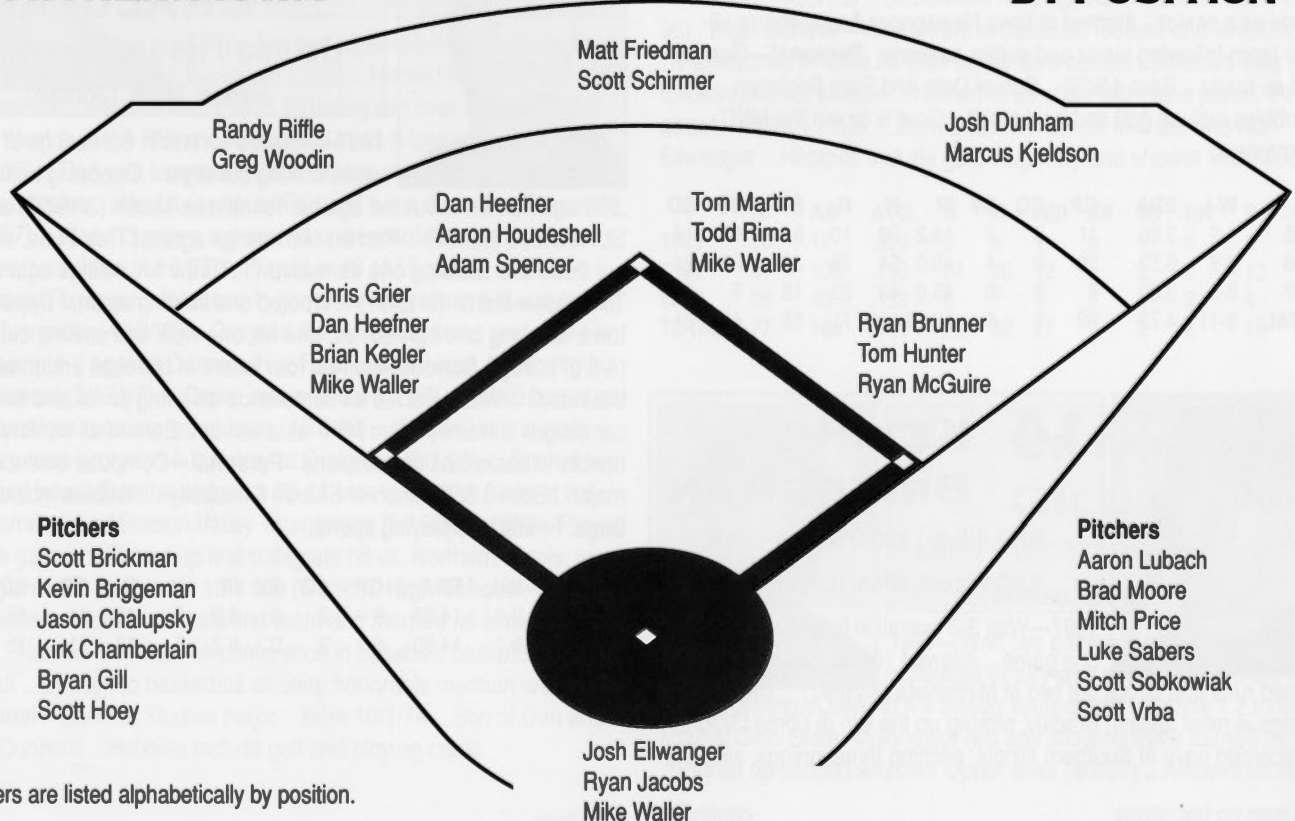
The only freshman on the staff is Mitch Price from City High in Iowa City. "He's very, very developed as a pitcher, and is as good as I've seen coming out of high school," Schrage said.

"What a complete pitcher this kid is as a freshman. He's definitely a winner."

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BY POSITION



Players are listed alphabetically by position.

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22 SCOTT BRICKMAN

RHP ♦ 6-4 ♦ 200 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
Denver, Iowa (Denver)

1997—Finished season with 3.60 ERA, team's lowest ...Led staff with low earned runs allowed ...Twice named Missouri Valley Pitcher of the Week (3/25/97 and 4/22/97) ...First victory was a complete game against Evansville, allowing one earned run and striking out 13 (3/22/97) ...Walked only nine of 190 batters faced, and struck out 41 ...Was 4-1 in Valley play ...Opposing batters hit .263 off him, the lowest average of any returning Panther pitcher. **1996**—Appeared in UNI record 20 games, making four starts ...Notched four saves, placing him third on the list of saves in a season; record was tied by teammate Luke Sabers in 1997 ...Picked up one of three wins over Bradley, allowing only two runs in seven innings (5/5/96) ...Threw one scoreless inning at Illinois State, picking up first save (4/13/96) ...Worked 1.2 innings, striking out one against Grand View in the Metrodome for first save of the season (2/28/96) ...Struck out two, gave up one hit and allowed one earned run against Indiana State (3/24/96) ...Picked up win against Bradley, throwing seven innings, giving up eight hits, two earned runs and striking out five.

1995—Notched first collegiate win against Bradley (4/15/95) ...Saved games against Missouri Valley (3/25/95) and Harvard (3/26/95) ...Struck out seven in 3.1 innings vs. Vermont (3/21/95). **High School**—Won varsity letters in baseball, golf and basketball ...Participated in Iowa All-Star series ...Three-time all-conference selection in baseball ...Chosen team's most valuable player as a senior ...Named to Iowa Newspaper Association's all-state team following junior and senior seasons. **Personal**—General studies major ...Born 4/5/76 ...Son of Dale and Pam Brickman ...Hobbies include golf and basketball ...Goal is to win the MVC Tournament.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1995	1-2	3.66	11	0	2	19.2	20	10	8	10	16
1996	3-6	6.53	20	0	4	40.0	54	38	29	22	24
1997	5-3	3.60	8	3	0	45.0	48	23	18	9	41
TOTAL	9-11	4.73	39	3	6	104.2	122	71	55	41	81



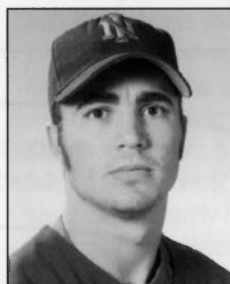
14 KEVIN BRIGGEMAN

RHP ♦ 6-3 ♦ 200 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
LaCrescent, Minn. (LaCrescent)

1997—Was 3-0 overall in four starts ...Saved one game ...Allowed 10 hits, but only four earned runs and struck out two at Minnesota (3/25/97) ...Threw 2.2 innings in relief against Bradley, picking up the win at home (3/30/97) ...Recorded save at Southern Illinois, pitching three innings, allowing

two earned runs on three hits, walking none and striking out four (4/6/97) ...Struck out 34 in 41.2 innings pitched ...Had staff low 44 hits allowed among pitchers with four or more starts ...Threw two innings against Southwest Missouri State, allowing only two walks (4/27/97) ...Picked up win against Creighton, striking out five and allowing two earned runs (4/23/97) ...Struck out six in three innings pitched in second game of a doubleheader against Creighton (4/9/97). **1996**—Started 10 games ...Struck out 10 batters in seven innings against Dartmouth at the Rawlings/Oakland A's Spring Tournament (3/17/96) ...Threw five shutout innings with four strikeouts against Iowa Wesleyan ...Recorded only save against Southwest Missouri State, pitching one inning (4/26/96) ...Recorded complete game loss against Illinois State (4/12/96), giving up a game-winning double in the bottom of the seventh. **1995**—Pitched in two games, Northern Illinois (5/3/95) and Florida International (3/22/95) ...worked two innings, giving up two runs and striking out three. **High School**—Earned varsity letters in baseball, basketball and football ...Member of Minnesota State Legion Tournament champion team ...Named most valuable player of that tournament ...First team all-state selection ...Chosen conference most valuable player. **Personal**—Computer science major ...Born 6/13/76 ...Son of Joe and Pat Briggeman.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1995	0-0	9.00	2	0	0	2.0	3	2	2	1	3
1996	2-6	6.91	15	1	1	69.0	85	61	53	36	55
1997	3-0	5.18	15	0	1	41.2	44	29	24	14	34
TOTAL	5-6	6.31	32	1	2	112.2	132	92	79	51	92



9 JASON CHALUPSKY

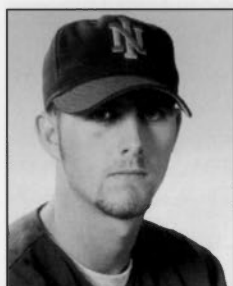
LHP ♦ 6-3 ♦ 195 ♦ Sophomore ♦ L/L
Jordan, Minn. (Jordan)

1997—Allowed six hits in 6.2 innings of work, striking out eight ...Opposing batters hit .250 against him ...Started against Tennessee-Martin (3/19/97) and St. Ambrose (5/1/97) ...Pitched two innings against Troy State, striking out three and allowing one earned run ...Threw 1.1 innings against Tennessee-Martin (3/19/97) ...Worked one inning against Upper Iowa, allowing one earned run, one hit, one walk and striking out one (4/8/97). **High School**—Earned four letters in baseball and three in basketball ...Was selected all-conference following junior and senior campaigns ...Named team MVP as a senior ...Earned all-conference honors in basketball two seasons. **Personal**—Computer science major ...Born 3/6/78 ...son of Sharon Chaupsky ...Hobbies include Sega, fishing and playing sports.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1997	0-1	14.85	6	2	0	6.2	6	13	11	15	8
TOTAL	0-1	14.85	6	2	0	6.2	6	13	11	15	8

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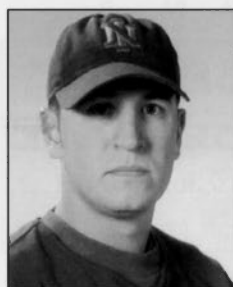
24 KIRK CHAMBERLAIN

RHP ♦ 6-0 ♦ 165 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Sioux City, Iowa (Heelan)

1997—Threw 7.2 innings in seven appearances ...Struck out six and walked 10.

1996—Appeared in 15 games ...Threw two scoreless innings in the 7-0 win over Iowa Wesleyan (4/5/96) ...Earned his first save at Illinois State, throwing 1.2 scoreless innings (4/16/96). **High School**—Earned letters in baseball, track, basketball, football and wrestling ...Named all-conference, all-city and all-district in baseball ...All-state and all-conference in football. **Personal**—Biology major ...Born 10/13/76 ...Son of Richard and Donna Chamberlain ...Hobbies include stickball and golf ...Goal is to win Missouri Valley Conference Tournament.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1996	0-0	7.30	15	0	1	24.2	36	25	20	16	14
1997	0-0	10.57	7	0	0	7.2	12	9	9	10	6
TOTAL	0-0	8.07	22	0	1	32.1	48	34	29	26	20



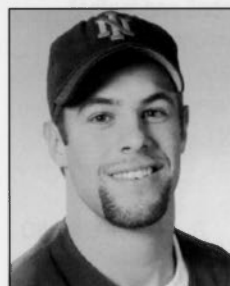
2 JOSH DUNHAM

OF ♦ 5-11 ♦ 175 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
LeGrand, Iowa (East Marshall)

1997—Second highest batting average on the squad (.328) ...Named Second Team All-

Conference ...Was 4-5 with RBI in 10 inning win over Bradley (3/29/97) ...Went 2-4 with RBI and run scored in 13-9 loss to Indiana State (5/10/97) ...Tied with teammate Scott Schirmer for first on the squad with two triples ...Went 1-3 with an RBI and a run scored at Evansville (3/22/97) ...Was 1-3 with a run scored and recorded eight putouts against Iowa State (4/16/97) ...Played in 40 of 55 games. 1996—Played in 37 games ...Knocked in game-winning run in 9-8 victory over Evansville (4/19/97) ...Crossed the plate four times and drove in four, going 4-6 against Dartmouth at Rawlings/Oakland A's Spring Tournament (3/17/97) ...Drove in two and went 2-3 with two bases on balls and four runs scored at Iowa (4/10/96) ...Was 1-2 with a walk and two runs scored in 6-2 victory at Creighton (5/1/96) ...Scored two runs and was 2-5 at the plate in a 25-11 loss to Wichita State at the first game of the Missouri Valley Tournament (5/15/96). 1995—Played in nine games ...Picked up first collegiate hit vs. Northern Illinois; was 1-2 against the Huskies in 13-1 win (5/3/95). **High School**—Selected to baseball coaches' all-state first-team and media's all-state second team ...Named first team all-conference in baseball, basketball and football ...Chosen to basketball all-state honorable mention team. **Personal**—General Studies major ...Born 10/1/74 ...Son of Don and Susy Dunham ...Hobbies include golf and playing cards.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1995	9	7	.143	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
1996	37	70	.286	18	20	14	3	1	2	3	18
1997	40	131	.328	21	43	11	6	2	1	8	25
TOTAL	86	208	.308	42	64	25	9	3	3	11	48

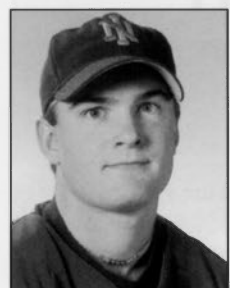


10 JOSH ELLWANGER

C ♦ 5-11 ♦ 180 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
Sioux City, Iowa (Heelan)

1997—Scored six runs on seven hits, including two home runs in 47 at bats ...Named to MVC Honorable Mention All-Academic team ...Played in 26 games ...Was 1-3 with home run and three RBI in 5-4 win over Bradley (3/29/97) ...Recorded 123 putouts, third highest on the team ...Went 1-3 with a double and RBI in 2-1 win over Illinois State (4/19/97) ...Was 1-3 with a run scored in 5-4 loss at Samford (3/16/97) ...Went yard at Evansville in 10-3 loss (3/22/97) ...Was 1-3 with a three-run home run against Bradley (3/29/97) ...Recorded 10 putouts at Carbondale in 10-6 Northern Iowa win (4/6/97) ...Knocked in a run on his only double of the season against Illinois State (4/19/97). 1996—Caught 41 games ...Ranked second on team with 222 putouts ...Posted .969 fielding percentage ...Was 4-6 with a double, a triple and 4 RBI in 19-7 win over Dartmouth (3/17/96) ...Notched 2 hits, two RBI and four runs scored in 21-8 win at Iowa ((4/10/96). 1995—Played in 10 games ...Tallied first collegiate hit and went 1-2 with one RBI vs. Northwestern at Ft. Myers, Fla. (3/20/95) ...Was 2-3 vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (4/25/95) ...Scored two runs against Northern Illinois (5/3/95). **High School**—Won letters in baseball, football and wrestling ...Participated in Iowa All-Star series as a senior ...Selected elite all-star following senior season ...Named to all-state team as a junior. **Personal**—Biology major ...Born 2/22/76 ...son of Michael and Nan Ellwanger ...Hobbies include golf, carpentry and shower installation.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1995	10	17	.294	2	5	1	0	0	0	2	6
1996	41	105	.190	24	20	12	1	2	0	12	18
1997	26	46	.152	6	7	8	1	0	2	4	11
TOTAL	77	168	.190	32	32	21	2	2	2	18	35



7 BRYAN GILL

LHP ♦ 5-10 ♦ 185 ♦ Sophomore ♦ R/R
Marion, Iowa (Linn-Mar)

1997—Won two games in three starts ...First collegiate victory was against Ohio State (2/22/97) at Rawlings/Oakland A's Spring Tournament ...Threw 1.2 innings in against Ohio State, striking out two and allowing three earned runs ...Picked up second win over Upper Iowa (4/8/97) ...Allowed six bases

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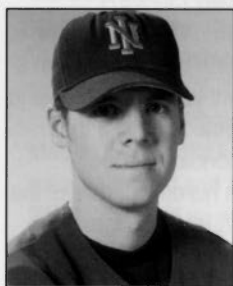
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on balls and struck out 12 in 13.2 innings pitched ...Appeared in nine games as a Panther ...Worked first start was against Upper Iowa, pitching three innings, allowing an earned run and striking out two ...Recorded three putouts, the second-highest total among the pitching staff ...Was hit by pitch in only plate appearance ...Worked second start at Iowa State, where he struck out three in two innings of work.

High School—Earned five varsity letters in baseball and football ...Named Mississippi Valley Conference's most valuable player in 1996 ...Two-time first team all-conference selection ...Named first team all-district as a senior ...Chosen to Iowa Elite team. **Personal**—Computer Science major ...Born 8/12/77 ...son of Curt and Barb Gill ...Hobbies include fishing.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1997	2-0	9.88	6	0	0	13.2	22	15	15	6	12
TOTAL	2-0	9.88	6	0	0	13.2	22	15	15	6	12



19 CHRIS GRIER

C ♦ 6-0 ♦ 170 ♦ Sophomore ♦ R/R
Waterloo, Iowa (West)

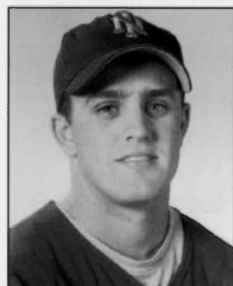
1997— First collegiate start came against Wartburg (3/31/97) in the DH slot ...Played

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in six games ...Walked twice ...Had seven official at bats ...Struck out three times ...Majority of action spent in pinch hitting and designated hitter roles ...Recorded three putouts against Nebraska at Rawlings/Oakland A's Spring Tournament (2/21/97).

High School— Earned two varsity letters in baseball ...Chosen to All-Metro team ...Named second team all-district and second team all-conference ...Chosen as honorable mention all-state selection ...Named Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star. **Personal**—Biology major ...Born 1/25/77 ...Son of Dianne Christopher and Jerry Grier ...Hobbies include camping, fishing, biking and music ...Goal is to receive his four-year degree and be accepted to graduate school.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1997	6	7	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
TOTAL	6	7	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3



15 SCOTT HOEY

RHP ♦ 5-11 ♦ 160 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
New Hampton, Iowa (New Hampton)

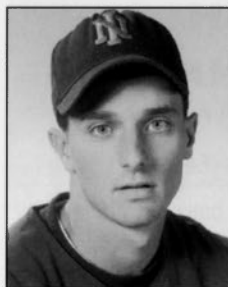
1997— Picked up wins at Iowa State (4/2/97) and against Minnesota (4/22/97) ...Also

notched two saves, the first vs. Ohio State at Rawlings/Oakland A's Spring Tournament (2/22/97) and the second at Iowa (4/29/97) ...Struck out 15 in 16.2 innings pitched ...Allowed 11 earned runs in 12 appearances for an ERA of 5.94 ...Struck out in only at bat ...Threw 1.2 innings against Northeastern Illinois at Rawlings/Oakland A's

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Spring Tournament, striking out two and allowing one earned run ...Allowed one hit in one inning pitched at Troy State (3/14/97) ...Worked two innings at Evansville, striking out one, walking one and giving up one hit (3/22/97) ...Faced 11 batters in 2.2 innings of work, striking out three, walking two and allowing two hits. **1996**— Appeared in 12 games ...Recorded 21 strikeouts in 17 innings of work ...Pitched two scoreless innings in 7-4 win over Iowa State (4/2/96) ...Tallied five strikeouts in five innings against Northern Illinois (4/11/96) ...Struck out two and allowed one hit in one inning of work against Iowa Wesleyan (4/5/96). **1995**— Allowed no runs and struck out six in six total innings pitched ...Gave up four hits in those six innings ...First collegiate appearance on the mound was at Southeast Missouri State (2/25/95) ...Threw 2.2 innings against Northwestern, allowing two hits (3/20/95). **High School**— Member of State Champion Basketball team in 1993, and State Runner-Up in 1994 ...Earned varsity letters in baseball, football and basketball ...Named first team all-conference and first team all-district ...Chosen Honorable Mention All-State in baseball. **Personal**—Public Relations/Communications major ...Born 2/3/76 ...Son of Pat and Mary Hoey ...Hobbies include golf and tennis.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1995	0-0	0.00	4	0	0	6.0	4	0	0	3	6
1996	0-0	11.65	12	0	0	17.0	27	25	22	9	21
1997	2-1	5.94	12	0	2	16.2	20	11	11	12	15
TOTAL	2-1	7.49	28	0	2	39.2	51	36	33	24	42



3 AARON HOUESHELL

UT ♦ 5-9 ♦ 160 ♦ Junior ♦ L/R
Plymouth, Minn. (Wayzata)

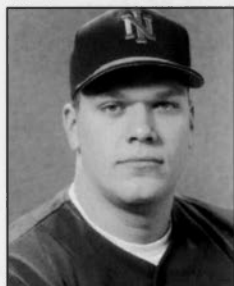
1997— Hit .311 in 45 official at bats ...Appeared in 22 games, starting nine

...Was 3-5 with three runs scored and an RBI against St. Ambrose (5/1/97) ...Went 2-4 with two runs scored and an RBI in DH role against Illinois State (4/20/97) ...Stole seven bases in nine attempts ...Pinch hit against Indiana State and went 1-3 with two runs scored and an RBI (5/10/97). **1996**— Played in two games, and spent the rest of the season as a redshirt. **1995**— Played in 21 games ...Was 2-4 with two runs scored against Harvard (3/26/95) ...was 2-2 with two runs scored, a double and three walks in 9-3 victory over Southwest Missouri State (4/23/95) ...Was 1-2 with RBI against Northern Illinois (5/3/95). **High School**— Finalist for Kent Hrbek Award ...Named to Top 50 Prospects in Minneapolis Metro Area ...First team all-conference in baseball, basketball and football ...Selected to first team all-state by baseball coaches, second team by media ...AAU All-American. **Personal**—Accounting major ...Born 12/5/75 ...Son of LeRoy and Janet Houdeshell ...Hobbies include collecting baseball gloves.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1995	21	42	.143	5	6	2	1	0	0	6	11
1996*	2	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1997	22	45	.311	8	14	7	4	0	0	5	9
TOTAL	45	87	.230	13	20	9	5	0	0	11	20

*Redshirt season

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26 TOM HUNTER

1B/DH ♦ 6-3 ♦ 230 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Eagen, Minn. (Eagen)

1997— Did not play. **1996**— Named Honorable Mention All-MVC and Academic All-MVC ...Played in 56 games ...Second-highest home run total on the team with six ...Drove in team-leading 42 runs ...Was 3-5 with a double, a home run, two runs scored and six RBI against Michigan (3/9/96) ...Went 2-4, with a double, an RBI and a run scored vs. Iowa Wesleyan (4/5/96) ...Knocked in four, and was 1-2 with a home run against Dartmouth (3/20/96) ...Drove in four, and was 1-2 at Northern Illinois (4/11/96). **1995**— Played in 13 games, starting seven ...Was 2-3 with three RBI in win over Missouri Western (3/3/95) and was 2-4 with a double the following day against Missouri Western ...Was 2-2 with a run scored in pinch hitting role at Southeast Missouri (2/26/95) ...Went 1-2 with a run scored against Northern Illinois (5/3/95). **High School**— 13th-round pick by Pittsburgh Pirates out of high school ...Named team's most valuable player ...Earned letters in football and baseball. **Personal**— Chemistry major ...Born 5/21/76 ...Son of Dennis and Jan Hunter ...Hobbies include hunting and fishing.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1995	13	28	.286	2	8	5	2	0	0	0	13
1996	56	177	.288	32	51	42	12	2	6	25	56
1997	--Did not play--										
TOTAL	69	205	.288	34	59	47	14	2	6	25	69



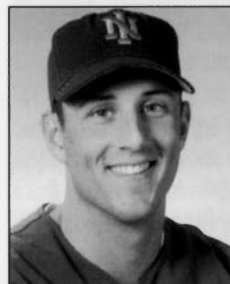
12 RYAN JACOBS

C ♦ 5-8 ♦ 190 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Regis/Kirkwood C.C.)

1997— Appeared in 47 games, starting 43 ...Named Honorable Mention All-MVC ...Was 2-5 with 5 RBI in 7-2 win over Quincy (3/8/97) ...Went 4-4 with 3 RBI at Iowa State (4/2/97) ...Drove in three and went 1-5 on the day against Minnesota (3/25/97) ...Recorded 11 putouts and was 3-5 with four RBI and a run scored against Southern Illinois in 7-6 win (4/6/97) ...Had one of season's eight home runs against Upper Iowa in 5-4 win, and was 4-4 on the day (4/8/97) ...Went 2-5 with a home run and three RBI at Creighton in 10-4 win (4/23/97) ...Drove in a run and was 3-5 with a run scored in season opener against St. Mary's (Calif.) at Rawlings/Oakland A's Tournament (2/20/97) ...Was 4-5 in 5-4 loss at Samford (3/16/97) ...Went 2-4 with two runs scored and an RBI at Southwest Missouri State (4/25/97). **1996 and 1995 (Kirkwood Community College)**— Played two seasons at Kirkwood ...ranked fourth in the nation (NJCAA) in RBI in 1996. **High School**— Earned six varsity letters in baseball and football ...Two-time all-state selection ...All-Metro first team selection four seasons ...Most valuable player in Iowa All-Star game ...Iowa Legion Baseball Most Valuable Player.

Personal— Psychology major ...Born 11/12/75 ...Son of Greg and Debbie Jacobs ...Hobbies include golf, hunting and flag football ...Goal this season is to win the MVC Tournament..

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1997	47	157	.306	27	48	35	7	0	8	15	35
TOTAL	47	157	.306	27	48	35	7	0	8	15	35

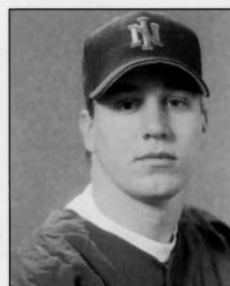


32 BRIAN KEGLER

3B ♦ 6-4 ♦ 210 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
Independence, Iowa (Independence/Georgia)

1997— Named Honorable Mention All-MVC ...Hit .288 on the year ...At Iowa, went yard twice, driving in 4 (4/29/97) ...Was 2-5 with 3 RBI and a home run in UNI's 11-inning victory over Minnesota (4/2/97) ...Hit seven home runs and drove in 28 on the season ...Notched two doubles at Troy State (3/13/97) ...Was 3-4 with 2 RBI and 2 runs scored against Nebraska at the Rawlings/Oakland A's Tournament (2/1/97) ...Notched 44 hits in 153 at bats ...Drove in two runs and was 2-5 with two runs scored and a walk against Ohio State (2/23/97). **1996**— Played in 32 games ...was 2-3 with game-winning RBI at Tennessee-Martin (3/2/96) ...Knocked in three against Indiana State (3/23/96) ...Went 3-4 and drove in a run against Old Dominion University (3/10/96) ...Was 2-4 with an RBI and a run scored in 19-7 win over Dartmouth (3/17/96) ...Drove in three runs and was 1-4 against Indiana State (3/23/96) Transferred from the University of Georgia. **High School**— Earned three letters in baseball, two in basketball and two in football ...Named most valuable player of 1993 Senior All-Star Team ...Two-time first team all-conference selection and second team all-state in baseball ...Mizuno Pre-Season High School All-American. **Personal**— Organizational Communications major/business minor ...Born 5/28/75 ...Son of Dan and Vicki Kegler ...Hobbies include playing sports, lifting weights, bicycling and going out with friends ...Goals are to play professional baseball and become an athletic director at a major Division I university.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1996	32	80	.262	8	21	19	1	0	0	10	27
1997	47	153	.288	23	44	28	9	1	7	19	51
TOTAL	79	233	.279	31	65	47	10	1	7	29	78



17 MARCUS KJELDSON

OF ♦ 6-0 ♦ 185 ♦ Junior ♦ L/R
Apple Valley, Minn. (Rosemount)

1997— Played in 20 games as a Panther ...Drove in five runs in 29 official at bats...Was 2-5 with an RBI against Samford (3/15/97) ...Went 2-3 with an RBI vs. Iowa (4/15/97) ...1-2 with two runs scored and two RBI in 13-4 win

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over Illinois State (4/20/97). **1996**— Tallied five doubles and four singles in 38 at bats ...went 2-3 with a double and an RBI at Texas A&M (3/9/96) ...Notched two hits, one RBI and one run scored in 13-4 win over Michigan (3/9/96) ...Was 2-2 with a run scored and an RBI against Dartmouth (3/18/96). **High School**—Made three state tournament appearances ...Played on three consecutive Section 1AA baseball championship teams ...Named all-conference and all-metro honorable mention senior year. **Personal**—Mathematics major/coaching and computer science minors ...Born 12/31/76 ...Son of Karl and Mary Kjeldson ...Hobbies include playing guitar.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1996	23	38	.237	4	9	5	5	0	0	6	11
1997	20	29	.207	8	6	5	1	0	0	4	8
TOTAL	43	67	.224	12	15	10	6	0	0	10	19

College (3/31/97). **1996**— Played in 23 games with 35 at bats ...Recorded 13 putouts in 13 total chances ...Was 3-4 with two doubles in 19-7 win over Dartmouth (3/17/96) ...Drove in three and was 2-3 in 12-1 win over Iowa Wesleyan (4/5/96) ...Stole four bases ...Reached base safely 14 times in 40 total at bats, including five walks ...Notched four doubles and a triple ...Drove in six runs on the season. **1994-95**—Transferred from Black Hawk Community College. **High School**— Played on 1992 and 1993 state championship teams ...1993 Vince Meyer Award winner (top scholar-athlete among baseball players) ...Member of 1993 American Legion state champion team ...Earned letters in baseball and football ...two-time all-state selection. **Personal**—Working on MBA — graduated in May, 1997 (degree is B.A. in Management) ...Born 2/14/75 ...Son of Michael and Jill McGuire ...Future plans include getting married and starting a family ...Hobbies include politics and listening to music.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1996	23	35	.257	8	9	6	4	1	0	5	9
1997	11	17	.118	1	2	2	0	0	0	1	5
TOTAL	34	52	.212	9	11	8	4	1	0	6	14



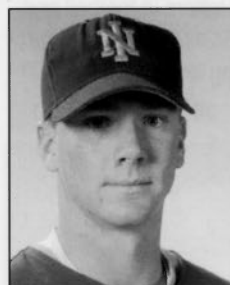
33 AARON LUBACH

RHP ♦ 6-3 ♦ 200 ♦ Sophomore ♦ R/R
Pella, Iowa (Pella Community)

1997— Redshirt season. **1996**— Pitched in 15 games, starting two ...Earned victory in 8-

7 win over St. Mary's (3/16/96) ...Struck out two and allowed two bases on balls in two innings of work against Iowa State (4/16/96) ...Threw 4.1 scoreless innings against Indiana State, earning the win, while allowing only one hit and striking out three (3/24/96) ...Picked up win at Illinois State, striking out two and allowing two hits in 3.2 innings pitched (4/13/96) ...Pitched season-high 4.1 innings against Texas A&M, allowing four earned runs and striking out four ...First loss on season came against Iowa (4/24/96) **High School**— Earned varsity letters in baseball and basketball ...Played in Iowa coaches All-Star series following his senior season ...Chosen first team all-state following junior and senior years. **Personal**—Accounting major ...Born 11/7/76 ...Son of Bill and Ruth Lubach and Rose Altena ...Hobbies include golf.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1996	3-2	6.29	15	0	0	34.1	42	25	24	24	23
1997						-- Redshirt Season --					
TOTAL	3-2	6.29	15	0	0	34.1	42	25	24	24	23

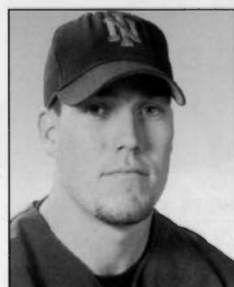


30 BRAD MOORE

RHP ♦ 6-0 ♦ 180 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Waterloo, Iowa (West/NIACC)

1997— Threw 2.1 innings in four appearances ...Struck out two and allowed one hit in an inning of work at Tennessee-Martin (3/19/97) ...Allowed a total of two hits and two earned runs in his 2.1 innings pitched ...Opposing batters hit .250 against him. **1995-96**— Played two seasons at North Iowa Area Community College. **High School**— Earned two varsity baseball letters ...Named all-metro as a senior ...Selected second team all-conference. **Personal**— Criminology major ...Born 2/25/76 ...Son of Crystal Anderson...Hobbies include relaxing and playing Sega ...Ambitions include attending graduate school.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1997	0-0	7.71	4	0	0	2.1	2	2	2	1	3
TOTAL	0-0	7.71	4	0	0	2.1	2	2	2	1	3



29 RYAN MCGUIRE

1B/OF ♦ 6-0 ♦ 185 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
Davenport, Iowa (Assumption/Black Hawk C.C.)

1997— Played in 11 games ...Drove in two runs in DH role at Troy State (3/14/97)...Recorded 24 putouts ...Went 2-4 with a run scored against Wartburg



21 RANDY RIFFLE

OF ♦ 6-0 ♦ 195 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
Reno, Nev. (Reno/Yuba City C.C.)

1997— Went 4-6 with two RBI against St. Mary's (Calif.) in season opener at Rawlings/Oakland A's Spring Tournament (2/20/97) ...Was 3-4 with a run scored in 3-2 loss at Southeast Missouri State (3/2/97) ...Notched

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eight doubles ...Went 2-2 in 10-4 loss at Samford (3/15/97) ...Stole four bases ...In final game of the year against Wichita State at the MVC Tournament, was 2-5 with a run scored (5/15/97). **1995-96**— Played two seasons at Yuba City ...All-Bay Valley first team selection as a sophomore ...Conference most valuable player as a sophomore. **High School**— Member of state runner-up team senior season ...Team finished second in the zone tournament his junior year ...Two-time all-state selection ...Earned letters in baseball (3) and football (2) ...Team most valuable player ...Earned all-conference honors twice. **Personal**— Marketing major ...Born 10/21/75 ...Son of Roger and Fran Riffle ...Hobbies include stickball, snow lot football and piano ...Ambition for the season is a national championship.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1997	32	110	.218	20	24	6	8	0	0	3	24
TOTAL	32	110	.218	20	24	6	8	0	0	3	24



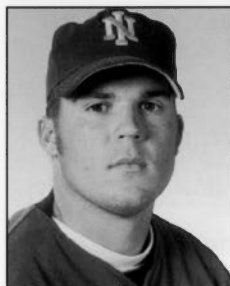
23 TODD RIMA

2B ♦ 5-11 ♦ 170 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
Oelwein, Iowa (Oelwein)

1997— Beginning 1998, ranks in top 10 among career leaders in games played, runs

scored, doubles, official at bats, hits and total bases ...Owns record for doubles in a career with 39, set in 1997 ...Could surpass Brian Jergenson's record for at bats this season (needs 89) and Kevin Sawatzky's runs scored record (needs 32) ...Hit .299 in 51 games started ...Went 4-6 with a home run and four RBI in 16-9 win over St. Mary's (Calif.) (2/20/97) ...Was 3-5 with two runs scored at Tennessee-Martin (3/19/97) ...Notched a .981 fielding percentage with 117 assists and 86 putouts ...Credited with assisting in 29 turned double plays ...Was 3-5 with two RBI in 7-6 extra-inning win over Bradley (3/29/97) ...Went 3-4 with two runs scored in MVC Tournament loss to Southern Illinois (5/14/97). **1996**— Hit 18 doubles, the second highest single-season total in UNI history ...Led squad with 47 runs scored ...Went 4-7 with five RBI against Iowa State (4/16/96) ...Was 2-4 with a home run, double and four RBI vs. Indiana State (3/24/96). **1995**— Started 42 of 55 games played ...Went 3-4 with two doubles, three RBI and a runs scored in 7-6 win at Southern Illinois (5/13/95) ...Was 2-4 with a double, and RBI and a run scored against Eastern Illinois (3/11/95). **High School**— Earned 15 varsity letters in baseball, football, tennis and track ...Played in 1994 All-Star series ...Played in baseball and tennis state tournaments ...Three-time all-conference basketball and baseball selection ...Named to second team all-state as a junior, first team all-state elite as a senior. **Personal**— Physical education major ...Born 5/6/75 ...Son of Gary and Cindy Rima ...Goal for the season is to play in the College World Series.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1995	44	135	.193	20	26	15	5	0	0	16	23
1996	55	194	.304	47	59	35	18	1	2	25	23
1997	51	214	.299	35	64	21	16	1	2	19	17
TOTAL	150	543	.274	102	149	71	39	2	4	60	63



25 LUKE SABERS

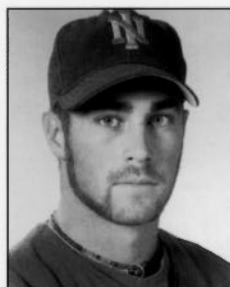
RHP ♦ 6-4 ♦ 220 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Jesup, Iowa (Jesup/NIACC)

1997— Notched team-high four saves ...Those four saves tie him with teammate

Scott Brickman for third place in the UNI single-season record book for most saves in a season ...Finished year with 4.62 ERA, the second-lowest on the team among pitchers with eight or more appearances...Struck out 23 in 25.1 innings pitched ...Picked up first save in 9-8 win over Bradley (3/30/97). **1995-96**— Played baseball and basketball at North Iowa Area Community College ...Was school scoring leader in basketball ...Owns the record for pitching wins. **High School**— Earned 16 letters in baseball, football, track and basketball ...chosen to first team all-state as a senior ...Earned all-state honorable mention two years ...Played on three conference and two district championship teams. **Personal**— Communications major ...Born 11/2/76 ...Son of Dave Sabers ...Hobbies include playing basketball and Mario Kart ...Ambitions include playing professional baseball and winning a conference title.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1997	0-3	4.62	16	0	4	25.1	29	16	13	16	23
TOTAL	0-3	4.62	16	0	4	25.1	29	16	13	16	23

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16 SCOTT SCHIRMER

OF ♦ 5-9 ♦ 165 ♦ Sophomore ♦ R/R
Riverside, Ill. (Fenwick)

1997— Named to MVC All-Conference Honorable Mention team as a freshman

...Went 2-4 with a home run and four RBI in 13-3 win over Southwest Missouri State (4/25/97) ...Was 2-2 with a run scored in 10-3 loss at Evansville (3/22/97) ...Drove in a run and went 2-4 at the plate at Samford (3/16/97) ...Recorded 77 putouts on the season ...Went 1-3 with a walk, an RBI and a run scored against Bradley (3/30/97) ...Stole team-high nine bases ...Was 2-4 with a home run and an RBI in 6-4 loss at Creighton (4/23/97) ...Started 50 of the Panthers' 55 games ...Drove in a run and was 2-5 at Southwest Missouri State (4/27/97) ...Notched two triples, tying Josh Dunham for most on the squad. **High School**— Participated in Chicago Catholic All-Star game ...Played in 1997 CABA World Series ...Earned two varsity letters in baseball ...Named all-conference ...Participated in Illinois state baseball tournament. **Personal**— Biology major ...Born 4/9/78 ...Son of Brian and Linda Schirmer ...Lists stickball, fishing and snow lot football among hobbies ...Ambitions include playing professional baseball.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1997	50	149	.275	29	41	18	7	2	4	16	45
TOTAL	50	149	.275	29	41	18	7	2	4	16	45

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34 SCOTT SOBKOWIAK

RHP ♦ 6-5 ♦ 230 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Downers Grove, Ill. (Montini Catholic)

1997— Enters 1998 ranked ninth among career strikeout leaders at UNI ...Named to

MVC All-Conference Honorable Mention and All-Academic first teams ...Pitched in Japan for USA Baseball ...Struck out 94 in 87.0 innings, both a team high individual season high ...Struck out 10 in seven inning win over Southeast Missouri State (3/2/97) and in nine inning win over Illinois State (4/8/97) ...Racked up six wins before suffering first loss at Creighton (4/23/97). 1996— Ranked second on the squad in appearances (19), innings pitched (72.2) and strikeouts (72) ...Averaged 8.9 strikeouts per nine innings ...Pitched three shutout innings at Texas A&M (3/9/96) ...Earned victory over Grand View, allowing one run on three hits in 5.1 innings 2/28/96) ...Threw 7-6 complete game victory vs. Indiana State (3/23/96). **High School**— Three-time player of the year ...Twice named conference most valuable player ...Three-time all-conference and all-academic selection ...Named all-state by the *Chicago Sun Times* ...Two-time participant in AAU Nationals and CABA World Series ...Two-time sectional finalist for AAU Junior Olympic team ...All-area selection in basketball following junior and senior years. **Personal**—Public relations major ...Born 10/26/77 ...Son of David and Susan Sobkowiak ...Hobbies include playing guitar ...Ambitions include playing in the College World Series and professional baseball.

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	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1996	3-7	6.81	19	2	1	72.2	82	69	55	58	72
1997	6-3	4.76	15	3	0	87.0	87	57	46	56	94
TOTAL	9-10	5.69	34	5	1	159.2	169	126	101	114	166



18 SCOTT VRBA

RHP ♦ 6-0 ♦ 190 ♦ Senior ♦ R/R
Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Jefferson/Kirkwood)

1997—Started four games...Threw eight innings, allowing two earned runs and striking out three in 5-4 loss at Samford (3/16/97) ...Struck out five in six innings pitched vs. Creighton (4/9/97) ...Allowed one earned run, two hits and struck out three against Iowa State (4/16/97) ...Struck out four and allowed three earned runs against Indiana State (5/10/97). 1995-96 (Kirkwood Community College)—Participated in junior college all-star game. **High School**— Earned two varsity baseball letters ...Participated in Iowa All-Star series ...Named first team all-state and all-conference ...Selected to first team Northeast Iowa District and first team All-Metro. **Personal**— Undecided major ...Born 12/3/75 ...Son of Bill and Mary Kay Vrba ...full name is William Scott Vrba ...Lists art and drawing among hobbies.

	W-L	ERA	GP	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1997	0-1	6.83	7	0	0	29.0	44	27	22	9	19
TOTAL	0-1	6.83	7	0	0	29.0	44	27	22	9	19



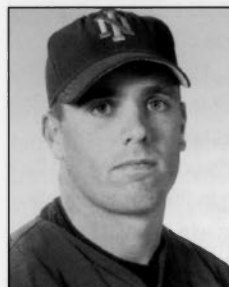
5 MIKE WALLER

C ♦ 5-10 ♦ 170 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Waverly, Iowa (Waverly-Shell Rock)

1997—Played in 23 games ...Posted a .957 fielding percentage, recording 56 putouts and 10 assists ...Went 3-4 with an RBI in 9-8, 12-inning win over Minnesota (4/22/97) ...Was 2-4 with RBI in 5-3 loss at Evansville (3/23/97).

1996—Played in 20 games ...Had 14 hits in 43 at bats, including four doubles ...Recorded a .945 fielding percentage in 110 chances ...Went 2-4 in 5-3 victory over Illinois State (4/14/96) ...Had two doubles and two RBI in 15-8 win over Evansville (4/20/96) ...Was 2-3 with three RBI and a run scored in 4-3 victory at Southwest Missouri State. **High School**—Earned varsity letters in baseball, track, football and basketball ...All-conference performer in baseball junior and senior years ...Selected all-district as a senior ...Played in AAU Junior Olympics in 1993 ...Played in nationals in 1994 and 1995 ...Earned all-district and all-conference honors in football and basketball. **Personal**— Physical education major ...Born 2/13/77 ...Son of Ken and Kathy Waller ...Ambitions include writing a book titled "Wallerisms."

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1996	20	43	.326	12	14	8	4	0	0	10	9
1997	23	49	.286	7	14	7	2	0	0	7	7
TOTAL	43	92	.304	19	28	15	6	0	0	17	16



4 GREG WOODIN

OF ♦ 6-0 ♦ 190 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Waverly, Iowa (Waverly-Shell Rock)

1997—Named to District VII GTE Academic All-American team ...Drove in 18 in 127 official at bats ...Went 2-3 with a home run and two runs scored in 5-4 loss to Wayne State (5/3/97) ...Was 3-3 with a double and a triple in 6-5 loss at Iowa State (4/16/97) ...1-6 with a home run and two RBI in the Panthers' 12-inning win at Troy State (3/14/97). 1996— Redshirt season. 1995—Went 1-1 in first game against Southeast Missouri State (2/25/95) ...Hit first collegiate home run against Evansville (3/18/95) ...Went 2-2 vs. Northwestern (3/20/95) and knocked in two against Missouri Western (3/4/95). **High School**—Earned 12 varsity letters in baseball, golf, basketball and football ...Quarterbacked state championship team in 1992 ...Played in Iowa All-Star game in 1994 ...Participated in Dr. Pepper All-Star game ...Named first team all-conference in baseball twice ...Selected to Iowa Newspaper Association's first team all-state ...Played on Iowa elite team in 1994. **Personal**—Finance major with an economics minor ...Born 6/18/75 ...Son of Jerry and EaVon Woodin ...Hobbies include playing Mario Kart.

	G	AB	AVG.	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO
1995	26	51	.255	8	13	3	1	0	1	7	12
1996	--Redshirt season--										
1997	41	127	.236	22	30	18	5	1	4	9	19
TOTAL	67	178	.242	30	43	21	6	1	5	16	31

NEWCOMERS



28 RYAN BRUNNER

1B ♦ 6-0 ♦ 230 ♦ Freshman ♦ L/L
Charles City, Iowa (Charles City)

High School— Hit .490 as a senior ...Slugged 21 home runs in junior and senior seasons

...Earned seven varsity letters in baseball (3), basketball (2) and football (2) ...Played in Iowa High School All-Star game ...Named second team all-conference and all-district as a sophomore ...Chosen first team all-state, all-district and all-conference following both junior and senior years. **Personal**— Mathematics major ...Born 1/20/79 ...Son of Randy and Martha Brunner ...Lists playing sports, fishing and watching sports among his hobbies.



6 TOM MARTIN

IF/RHP ♦ 5-11 ♦ 190 ♦ Freshman ♦ R/R
Dyersville, Iowa (Beckman)

High School— Lettered four years in baseball, three in track, two in football and two in basketball ...Member of 1996 state runners-up team ...Named first team all-state in baseball and first team all-state in football. **Personal**— Business major ...Born 2/15/79 ...Son of Fred and Ellen Martin ...Hobbies include fishing.

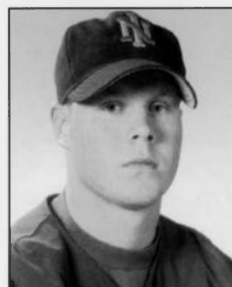


27 MATT FRIEDMAN

OF ♦ 5-10 ♦ 180 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Regis/Mankato St)

Mankato State—Earned one baseball letter at Mankato. **High School**—Played on

two American Legion state championship teams ...Participated in high school all-star game following senior year ...Earned four baseball letters, two football letters and one track letter ...Twice named first team all-conference ...Chosen first team all-state following senior season ...Named second team all-state following his junior year. **Personal**— Marketing major ...Born 7/5/76 ...Son of Chuck and Mary Kay Friedman ...Goals include playing baseball as long as possible and enjoying his future job ...Hobbies include skiing and listening to music.

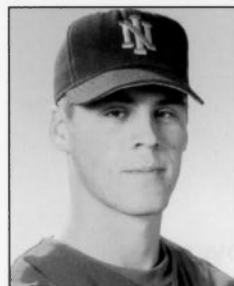


31 MITCH PRICE

RHP ♦ 6-0 ♦ 180 ♦ Freshman ♦ R/R
Iowa City, Iowa (City)

High School— Participated in baseball state tournament in 1995 and 1997 ...Owns a career pitching record of 24-3 ...Member of 1996 football state championship team ...Earned three letters in baseball, two in football and one in basketball ...Named to second team all-conference and all-district as a sophomore ...Following both junior and senior years, named first team all-conference, all-district and all-state. **Personal**— Undecided major ...Born 8/17/78 ...Son of Dean and Donna Price ...Lists fishing and pool among hobbies.

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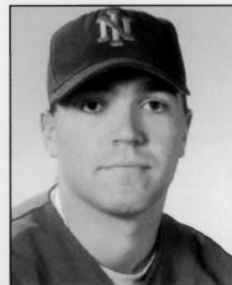


11 DAN HEEFNER

3B ♦ 6-0 ♦ 185 ♦ Freshman ♦ R/R
Iowa City, Iowa (City)

High School—Hit .430 as a senior, with three home runs and 15 doubles ...Earned two

varsity baseball letters ...Played on 1995 state runners-up team ...Named to first team all-state, all-district, all-conference and all-area teams ...Played in the Senior All-Star series ...Chosen team most valuable player. **Personal**— Physical education major ...Born 7/8/77 ...Son of Jim and Shirley Heefner ...Hobbies include pool.



8 ADAM SPENCER

SS ♦ 6-0 ♦ 200 ♦ Junior ♦ R/R
Independence, Iowa (Indep./Iowa Central)

Iowa Central—Played on team that finished as runners-up in the Junior College World Series. **High School**— Earned four varsity letters in baseball, four in cross country and two in basketball ...Participated on the Iowa All-Star team following his senior year ...Named first team all-conference following his sophomore, junior and senior years. **Personal**— Elementary education major ...Born 6/25/77 ...Son of Dennis and Debbie Spencer ...Career goals are to teach and coach.

1998 NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (High School/Last School)
2	Josh Dunham	Sr.	OF	R/R	5-11	175	LeGrand, Iowa (East Marshall)
3	Aaron Houdeshell	Jr.	UT	L/R	5-9	160	Plymouth, Minn. (Wayzata)
4	Greg Woodin	Jr.	OF	R/R	6-0	190	Waverly, Iowa (Waverly-Shell Rock)
5	Mike Waller	Jr.	C	R/R	5-10	175	Waverly, Iowa (Waverly-Shell Rock)
6	Tom Martin	Fr.	IF/RHP	R/R	5-11	190	Dyersville, Iowa (Beckman)
7	Bryan Gill	So.	LHP	L/L	5-10	185	Marion, Iowa (Linn-Mar)
8	Adam Spencer	Jr.	SS	R/R	6-0	200	Independence, Iowa (Independence/Iowa Central C.C.)
9	Jason Chalupsky	So.	LHP	L/L	6-3	195	Jordan, Minn. (Jordan)
10	Josh Ellwanger	Sr.	C	R/R	5-11	180	Sioux City, Iowa (Heelan)
11	Dan Heefner	Fr.	3B	R/R	6-0	185	Iowa City, Iowa (City)
12	Ryan Jacobs	Sr.	C	R/R	5-8	190	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Regis/Kirkwood C.C.)
14	Kevin Briggeman	Sr.	RHP	R/R	6-3	200	LaCrescent, Minn. (LaCrescent)
15	Scott Hoey	Sr.	RHP	R/R	5-11	160	New Hampton, Iowa (New Hampton)
16	Scott Schirmer	So.	OF	R/R	5-9	165	Riverside, Ill. (Fenwick)
17	Marcus Kjeldson	Jr.	OF	L/R	6-0	185	Apple Valley, Minn. (Rosemount)
18	Scott Vrba	Sr.	RHP	R/R	6-0	190	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Jefferson/Kirkwood C.C.)
19	Chris Grier	So.	C	R/R	6-0	170	Waterloo, Iowa (West)
21	Randy Riffle	Sr.	OF	R/R	6-0	195	Reno, Nev. (Reno/Yuba City C.C.)
22	Scott Brickman	Sr.	RHP	R/R	6-4	200	Denver, Iowa (Denver)
23	Todd Rima	Sr.	2B	R/R	5-11	170	Oelwein, Iowa (Oelwein)
24	Kirk Chamberlain	Jr.	RHP	R/R	6-0	165	Sioux City, Iowa (Heelan)
25	Luke Sabers	Jr.	RHP	R/R	6-4	220	Jesup, Iowa (Jesup/North Iowa Area C.C.)
26	Tom Hunter	Jr.	1B/DH	R/R	6-3	230	Eagan, Minn. (Eagan)
27	Matt Friedman	Jr.	OF	R/R	5-10	180	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Regis/Mankato State)
28	Ryan Brunner	Fr.	1B	L/L	6-0	230	Charles City, Iowa (Charles City)
29	Ryan McGuire	Sr.	1B/OF	R/R	6-0	185	Davenport, Iowa (Assumption/Black Hawk C.C.)
30	Brad Moore	Jr.	RHP	R/R	6-0	180	Waterloo, Iowa (West)
31	Mitch Price	Fr.	RHP	R/R	6-0	180	Iowa City, Iowa (City)
32	Brian Kegler	Sr.	3B	R/R	6-4	210	Independence, Iowa (Independence/Georgia)
33	Aaron Lubach	So.	RHP	R/R	6-3	200	Pella, Iowa (Pella Community)
34	Scott Sobkowiak	Jr.	RHP	R/R	6-5	230	Downers Grove, Ill. (Montini Catholic)

- 13 **Dave Schrage**, Head Coach (Creighton, 1983)
 4 **Scott Douglas**, Assistant Coach (Hardin-Simmons, 1992)
 36 **Wade Brinkopf**, Assistant Coach (Northern Colorado, 1982)
 35 **Jack Sole**, Assistant Coach (Upper Iowa, 1989)

Jeff Marcks, Certified Athletic Trainer

Vic Vanderpool, Student Athletic Trainer

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Chalupsky	Sha-LUP-ski
Ellwanger	EL-wang-er
Houdeshell	HOW-da-shell
Kjeldson	Chelsen
Lubach	Loo-BAK
Sobkowiak	Sub-KO-we-ack
Schrage	Shrag

BREAKDOWN BY STATE

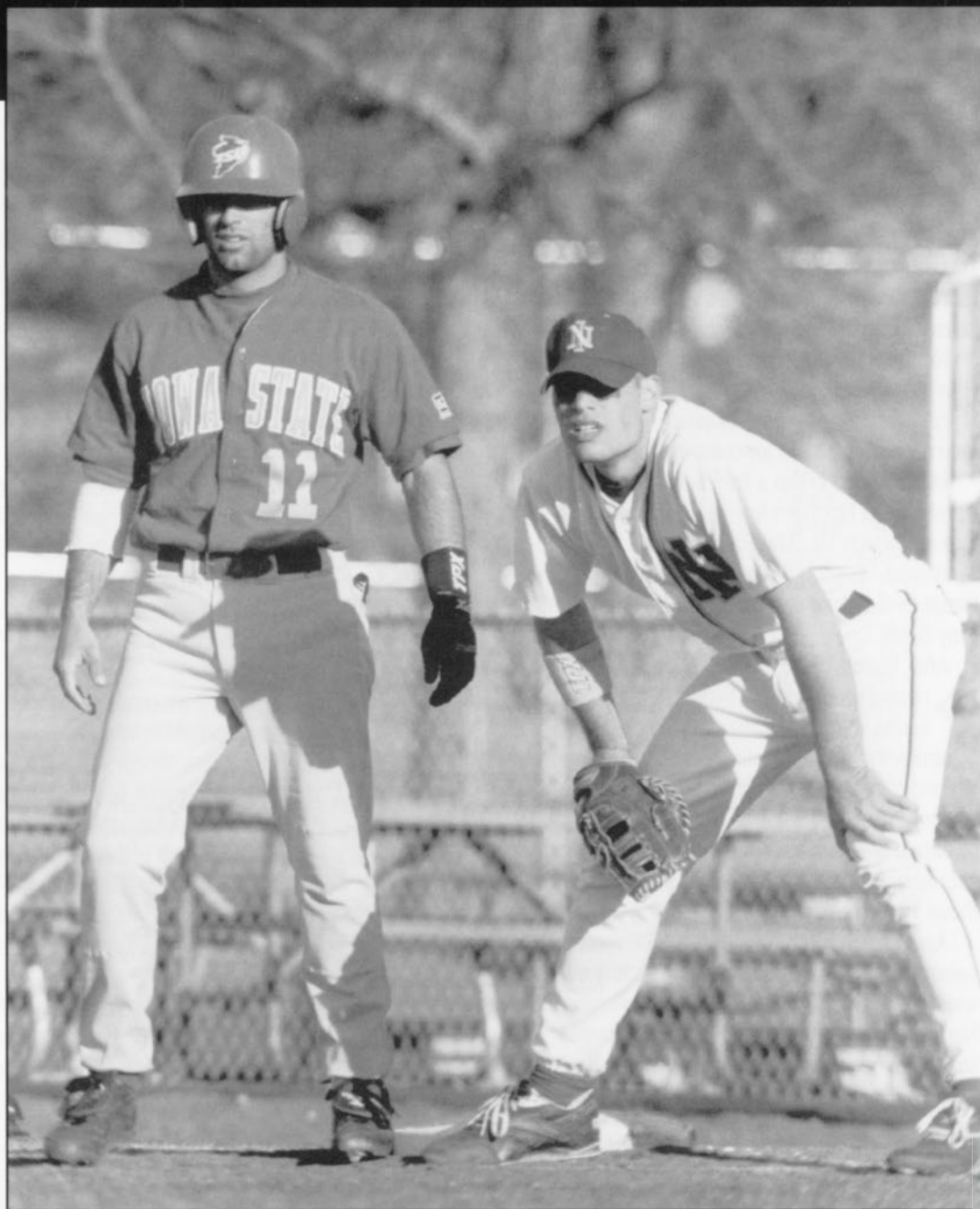
Iowa	23
Minnesota	5
Illinois	2
Nevada	1

BREAKDOWN BY ELIGIBILITY CLASS

Seniors	11
Juniors	11
Sophomores	5
Freshmen	4

The **P**anthers notched 32 wins in 1997, the highest single-season total in 98 seasons of Northern Iowa baseball. Northern Iowa also finished second in the MVC and posted 18 wins, their highest finish and most wins since joining the Valley.

First baseman Brian Jergenson became the first Panther to be named Missouri Valley Player of the Year in 1997.



1997 REVIEW

1997 IN REVIEW ROSTER

1997 RECORD-SETTING SEASON FOR UNI

The 98th season of Northern Iowa baseball was the most successful in history, as the Panthers piled up the accolades en route to rewriting the record books.

A school-best 32 wins. Head Coach Dave Schrage named 1997 Missouri Valley Coach of the Year. Senior Brian Jergenson chosen 1997 Missouri Valley Conference Player of the Year. Program bests in conference victories and the final conference standings. Nine players named to the All-Conference squad. A 10-game winning streak, the longest in UNI's Division I history. Four hundred-forty strikeouts by the Panther pitching staff, the highest total the UNI record books. Four Panthers set six career records. Two set five season records.

Northern Iowa started the season with a 3-1 record, claiming the Rawlings/Oakland A's Tournament championship, defeating St. Mary's (California) and Nebraska. In the championship game of the tournament, Northern Iowa downed then-No. 22 Ohio State, 18-16.

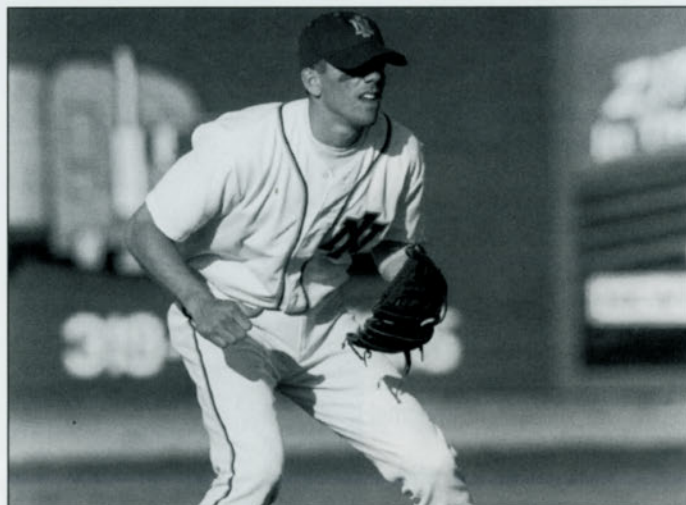
March came in like a lion, but went out like a lamb for the Panthers, as Northern Iowa started the month with a 4-7 record through March 19. The Panthers split three two-game series with Southeast Missouri State, Quincy and Tennessee-Martin, were swept by Samford and managed one win in a three-game stand with Troy State.

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After March 19, the Panthers began their turnaround. With a 7-8 record on March 21, they split their four-game Valley-opening series with Evansville. On March 29, they started a winning streak that would continue until April 9, when UNI would drop the second game of a doubleheader to Creighton, 5-3.

The Panthers' 10-game winning streak included a four-game sweep of Missouri Valley foe Bradley, and two games of a rain-shortened series with Southern Illinois. The Panthers won eight of those 10 games by one run, including the entire series with Bradley.

April saw the Panthers post a 15-6 record, including a four-game sweep of Illinois State, a 12-inning victory over Minnesota and two wins over in-state rival Iowa. A solid pitching staff anchored Northern Iowa, throwing five complete games, with at least seven strikeouts per game.



Kevin Sawatzky, 1997 shortstop

The Panthers finished the season on a down note, dropping their last four games, their longest losing streak of the season. Going into the series with Indiana State, they had a shot at a first place finish in the MVC. However, UNI split their final Missouri Valley regular-season series, winning the first two contests, but dropping the last two, landing the Panthers in second place in the Valley.

Northern Iowa made its second consecutive appearance at the MVC tournament in Wichita, Kan. As the No. 2 seed, the Panthers faced Southern Illinois in the first game, a rematch of the earlier shortened two-game series. Instead of another Panther victory, this time the Salukis came out on the long end of a 7-3 final score.

The final game of the 1997 season pitted Northern Iowa against Wichita State, a team the Panthers had not faced all year, as the Panthers' home series with the Shockers was cancelled in April. Wichita State was in its usual post-season form, and defeated UNI, 12-7.

Northern Iowa finished the 1997 season with a 32-23 record, the most wins in school history. The 18 MVC wins and second place finish established program-bests as well.

RECORDS SET IN 1997

TEAM RECORDS

Wins in a season	32
Wins in MVC	18
Finish in MVC	2nd
Winning streak — Games	10
Strikeouts (pitching)	440
Strikeouts (hitting)	413
Total Bases	831

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Steve Beard	
Strikeouts (by pitcher), career	247
Innings pitched, career	298.1

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Brian Jergenson	
Hits, career	208
RBI, season	66
Putouts, season	434
Total chances, season	473
Double plays, season	40
Todd Rima	
Doubles, career	39
Kevin Sawatzky	
Runs scored, career	134
RBI, game (tied)	8
Strikeouts (by hitter), season	65
Strikeouts (by hitter), career	211



Gabe Wyckoff, 1997 third baseman

1997 GAME-BY-GAME

1997 RESULTS

Overall — 32-23 Home — 16-6 Road — 12-13 Neutral — 4-4 MVC — 18-8 Home — 11-3 Road — 7-5

Date	Score, Opponent	UNI Pitcher	Highlights	Line Score		Record
				UNI	Opp	
ΔFeb. 20	UNI 16, St. Mary's (Calif.) 9	Parra (1-0)	Rima 4-6, HR, 4 RBI; Riffle 4-6, 2 RB	16-22-2	9-9-3	1-0
ΔFeb. 21	Northeastern Illinois 7, UNI 1	Brickman (0-1)	Dunham 2-3; Brickman 6.0 IP, 5 K	1-7-2	7-11-0	1-1
ΔFeb. 21	UNI 19, Nebraska 6	Sobkowiak (1-0)	Kegler 3-4, 2 RBI, 2 RS; Sawatzky HR, 4 RBI	19-18-0	6-12-4	2-1
ΔFeb. 22	UNI 18, Ohio State 16	Gill (1-0)	Hoey save (1); Sawatzky 3-6, 2 HR, 8 RBI	18-15-1	16-20-4	3-1
Mar. 2	SE Missouri State 3, UNI 2	Beard (0-1)	Riffle 3-4, RS	2-6-2	3-4-2	3-2
Mar. 2	UNI 4, SE Missouri State 1	Sobkowiak (2-0)	Sobkowiak 7 IP, 10 K; Kegler 2-3, HR, 2 RBI	4-6-1	1-3-4	4-2
∞Mar. 8	UNI 7, Quincy 2	Sobkowiak (3-0)	Jacobs 2-5, 5 RBI; Sobkowiak 6.0 IP, 2 H, 8 K	7-9-1	2-2-0	5-2
∞Mar. 8	Quincy 5, UNI 3	Hoey (0-1)	Woodin 1-2, 1 RBI; Jergenson 1-3, 1 RS	3-4-1	5-7-1	5-3
Mar. 13	Troy State 14, UNI 4	Beard (0-2)	Jergenson 2-4, 2B, RBI; Kegler 2-4	4-8-1	14-17-2	5-4
Mar. 14	UNI 10, Troy State 8	Parra (2-0)	Kegler 1-5, HR, 5 RBI; Woodin 1-6, HR, 2 RBI	10-11-0	8-12-6	6-4
Mar. 15	Samford 10, UNI 4	Brickman (0-2)	Kjeldson 2-5, RBI; Riffle 2-2	4-12-2	10-15-0	6-5
Mar. 16	Troy State 5, UNI 1	Sabers (0-1)	Waller 2-3, Jacobs 1-2, HR	1-6-2	5-9-1	6-6
Mar. 16	Samford 5, UNI 4	Parra (2-1)	Jacobs 4-5, Schirmer 2-4, HR, 2 RBI, SB	4-12-1	5-15-0	6-7
Mar. 19	UNI 11, Tennessee-Martin 1	Beard (1-2)	Jergenson 3-4, HR, 7 RBI; Rima 3-5, 2 RS	11-9-1	1-6-5	7-7
Mar. 19	Tennessee-Martin 8, UNI 3	Chalupsky (0-1)	Woodin 1-3, RBI; Schirmer 1-3, RBI	3-6-1	8-11-1	7-8
ΔMar. 21	UNI 11, Evansville 10 (11 inn.)	Parra (3-1)	Wyckoff 3-5, 2 HR, 3 RBI; Jergenson HR, 3 RBI	11-12-3	10-15-1	8-8
ΔMar. 22	UNI 2, Evansville 1	Brickman (1-2)	Brickman CG, 1 ER, 13 K, 0 BB	2-4-2	1-6-0	9-8
ΔMar. 22	Evansville 10, UNI 3	Sabers (0-2)	Rima 2-4, RBI; Schirmer 2-2; RS	3-7-3	10-11-3	9-9
ΔMar. 23	Evansville 5, UNI 3	Beard (1-3)	Wyckoff 3-5, Waller 2-4, RBI	3-11-1	5-8-0	9-10
∞Mar. 25	Minnesota 6, UNI 5	Parra (3-2)	Jacobs 1-5, HR, 3 RBI; 2-4, 2 RS	5-10-1	6-14-2	9-11
ΔMar. 29	UNI 7, Bradley 6	Beard (2-3)	Beard CG; Dunham 4-5, RBI; Rima 3-5, 2 RBI	7-16-1	6-9-0	10-11
ΔMar. 29	UNI 5, Bradley 4	Sobkowiak (4-0)	Sobkowiak CG, 5 K; Ellwanger 1-3, HR, 3 RBI	5-7-0	4-13-1	11-11
ΔMar. 30	UNI 5, Bradley 4	Brickman (2-2)	Brickman CG, 6 K; Jergenson 2-2, 2 HR, 3 RBI	5-6-2	4-6-1	12-11
ΔMar. 30	UNI 9, Bradley 8	Briggeman (1-0)	Sabers save (1); Sawatzky 1-2, 2 RBI, RS	9-7-2	8-13-7	13-11
Mar. 31	UNI 1, Wartburg 0	Parra (4-2)	Kegler 3-3; McGuire 2-4, RS	1-5-2	0-4-1	14-11
Apr. 2	UNI 10, Iowa State 4	Hoey (1-1)	Jacobs 4-4, 3 RBI; Wyckoff 3-5, 2 RBI, 2 RS	10-16-1	4-7-3	15-11
ΔApr. 6	UNI 7, Southern Illinois 6	Beard (3-3)	Beard CG, 11 K; Jacobs 3-5, HR, 4 RBI	7-10-1	6-9-2	16-11
ΔApr. 6	UNI 10, Southern Illinois 6	Sobkowiak (5-0)	Jergenson 2-2, HR, 3 RBI; Sawatzky 2-4, HR, 2 RBI	10-8-1	6-12-5	17-11
Apr. 8	UNI 5, Upper Iowa 4	Gill (2-0)	Sabers save (1); Jacobs 4-4, HR	5-7-0	4-8-3	18-11
ΔApr. 9	UNI 3, Creighton 2	Parra (5-2)	Sabers save (2); Thorson 1-3, 2B	3-2-2	2-2-3	19-11
ΔApr. 9	Creighton 5, UNI 3	Vrba (0-1)	Jergenson 1-3, RS, RBI; Briggeman 3.0 IP, 6 K, 1 BB	3-7-1	5-6-0	19-12
Apr. 15	UNI 5, Iowa 1	Brickman (3-2)	Jergenson 2-3, 2 RBI; Wyckoff 2-3, 2 RS	5-11-0	1-4-2	20-12
Apr. 16	Iowa State 6, UNI 5	Beard (3-4)	Rima 3-4, 2 RBI, 2B; Woodin 3-3, 2B, 3B	5-8-0	6-10-3	20-13
Apr. 16	Iowa State 12, UNI 3	Parra (5-3)	Wyckoff 2-4, HR, 2 RS; Jergenson 1-3, RBI	3-5-4	12-14-1	20-14
ΔApr. 18	UNI 6, Illinois State 1	Sobkowiak (6-0)	Sobkowiak 9.0 IP, 10 K; Dunham 2-3, RBI	6-9-3	1-3-0	21-14
ΔApr. 19	UNI 4, Illinois State 2	Brickman (4-2)	Jergenson 2-3, HR, 3 RBI; Rima 2-3	4-9-4	2-6-0	22-14
ΔApr. 19	UNI 2, Illinois State 1	Beard (4-4)	Beard 9 IP, 7 K; Ellwanger 1-3, 2B, RBI	2-4-1	1-5-0	23-14
ΔApr. 20	UNI 13, Illinois State 4	Parra (6-3)	Parra 9 IP, 11 K; Sawatzky 2-3, HR, 2 RBI	13-11-1	4-3-5	24-14
Apr. 22	UNI 9, Minnesota 8 (12 inn.)	Hoey (2-1)	Kegler 2-5, 3 RBI, HR; Waller 3-4, RBI	6-9-3	1-3-0	25-14
ΔApr. 23	Creighton 6, UNI 4	Sobkowiak (6-1)	Sobkowiak 7 IP, 9 K; Schirmer 2-4, HR, RBI	4-11-1	6-8-0	25-15
ΔApr. 23	UNI 10, Creighton 4	Briggeman (2-0)	Jacobs 2-5, HR, 3 RBI; Houdeshell 1-5, 3 RBI	10-12-1	4-7-2	26-15
ΔApr. 25	UNI 13, SW Missouri State 3	Beard (5-4)	Jergenson 2-4, HR, 4 RBI; Schirmer 2-4, HR, 4 RBI	13-12-1	3-11-2	27-15
ΔApr. 26	SW Missouri State 9, UNI 2	Brickman (4-3)	Wyckoff 1-4, RBI; Barnes 1-3, RS	2-5-1	9-9-0	27-16
ΔApr. 26	UNI 9, SW Missouri State 4	Parra (7-3)	Jergenson 4-4, HR; Sawatzky 1-4, HR, 2 RBI	9-12-1	4-6-1	28-16
ΔApr. 27	SW Missouri State 4, UNI 3	Sabers (0-3)	Dunham 3-4; Schirmer 2-5, RBI	3-10-1	4-6-2	28-17
Apr. 29	UNI 14, Iowa 9	Briggeman (3-0)	Kegler 2-4, 2 HR, 4 RBI; Wyckoff 3-5, 3 RBI	14-17-2	9-16-3	29-17
May 1	UNI 13, St. Ambrose 6	Parra (8-3)	Parra 6.2 IP, 8 K; Jergenson 3-4, 3 RBI	13-19-1	6-9-2	30-17
May 3	Wayne State 5, UNI 0	Beard (5-5)	Kegler 2-4; Dunham 2-4	0-6-2	5-9-2	30-18
May 3	Wayne State 5, UNI 4	Sobkowiak (6-2)	Thorson 2-3, HR, 2 RBI; Woodin 2-3, HR, 2 RS	4-6-1	5-8-0	30-19
ΔMay 9	UNI 4, Indiana State 2	Beard (6-5)	Beard 8 K, 1 BB; Sawatzky 2-4, RBI, RS	4-8-2	2-6-3	31-19
ΔMay 10	UNI 6, Indiana State 5	Brickman (5-3)	Sabers save (4); Wyckoff 2-4, GS, 4 RBI; Rima 3-4	6-10-2	5-10-0	32-19
ΔMay 10	Indiana State 13, UNI 9	Sobkowiak (6-3)	Wyckoff 2-5, HR, 2 RBI; Dunham 2-4, RBI, RS	9-7-5	13-16-2	32-20
ΔMay 11	Indiana State 10, UNI 1	Parra (8-4)	Rima 2-4; Jergenson 2-4, HR, RBI	1-7-2	10-16-1	32-21
£May 14	Southern Illinois 7, UNI 3	Beard (6-6)	Rima 3-4, 2 RS; Jergenson 3-5, 2 RBI	3-10-0	7-11-0	32-22
£May 15	Wichita State 12, UNI 7	Parra (8-5)	Jergenson 2-5, 2 RS, RBI; Riffle 2-5, RS	7-9-1	12-12-2	32-23

Δ indicates Missouri Valley Conference game

Δ indicates Rawlings/Oakland A's Spring Tournament, Phoenix, Ariz.

∞ indicates game played in Metrodome, Minneapolis, Minn.

£ indicates Missouri Valley Conference Tournament game (Wichita, Kan.)

1997 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

BATTING

Name	Avg	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	DP	FLD%
Brian Jergenson, 1B	.374	54-54	195	45	73	12	1	14	66	129	.662	19	4	33	2	.429	6	1	9-11	434	32	7	40	.985
Josh Dunham, OF	.328	40-35	131	21	43	6	2	1	11	56	.427	8	0	25	1	.364	1	0	7-9	73	3	4	1	.950
Aaron Houdeshell, UT	.311	22-9	45	8	14	4	0	0	7	18	.400	5	2	9	0	.404	0	1	1-1	11	10	2	1	.913
Ryan Jacobs, C	.306	47-43	157	27	48	7	0	8	35	79	.503	15	2	35	7	.374	0	1	0-1	254	39	2	1	.993
Todd Rima, 2B	.299	51-51	214	35	64	16	1	2	21	88	.411	19	0	17	7	.356	0	3	5-7	86	117	4	29	.981
Brian Kegler, DH	.288	47-45	153	23	44	9	1	7	28	76	.497	19	5	51	4	.382	1	2	1-1	9	28	2	0	.949
Gabe Wyckoff, 3B	.287	46-45	167	39	48	11	0	7	23	80	.479	17	5	37	2	.366	2	4	3-7	18	84	16	4	.864
Mike Waller, C	.286	23-11	49	7	14	2	0	0	7	16	.327	7	2	7	0	.397	0	0	0-2	56	10	3	0	.957
Scott Schirmer, OF	.275	50-50	149	29	41	7	2	4	18	64	.430	16	3	45	5	.357	0	0	9-14	77	1	3	0	.963
Kevin Sawatzky, SS	.267	53-53	172	41	46	7	1	13	42	94	.547	31	7	65	2	.396	2	2	8-13	75	159	22	35	.914
Cory Thorson, OF	.242	23-7	33	8	8	2	1	1	6	15	.455	7	2	10	0	.405	0	2	0-0	23	0	2	0	.920
Greg Woodin, OF	.236	41-33	127	22	30	5	1	4	18	49	.386	9	2	19	4	.295	1	1	2-4	42	1	3	0	.935
Chad Barnes, OF	.219	22-5	32	5	7	1	0	1	5	11	.344	6	0	7	0	.342	0	0	0-0	5	00	0	0	1.000
Randy Riffle, OF	.218	32-28	110	20	24	8	0	0	6	32	.291	3	1	24	5	.246	0	0	4-4	30	2	2	0	.941
Marcus Kjeldson, OF	.207	20-8	29	8	6	1	0	0	5	7	.241	0	0	8	1	.200	1	2	1-1	9	2	0	1	1.000
Josh Ellwanger, C	.152	26-15	46	6	7	1	0	2	8	14	.304	4	4	11	2	.278	0	3	0-0	123	15	0	0	1.000
Ryan McGuire, OF	.118	11-1	17	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.118	1	0	5	1	.167	0	0	0-0	24	1	0	1	1.000
Steve Beard, RHP	1.000	15-13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	1.000	0	0	0-0	13	16	1	2	.967
Chris Grier, C	.000	6-1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.222	0	0	0-0	3	0	0	0	1.000
Terry Ramsey, OF	.000	2-1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	0	1.000
Scott Hoey, RHP	.000	12-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	0	1.000
Bryan Gill, LHP	.000	7-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0-0	3	3	0	0	1.000
Totals — UNI	.283	55-55	1839	345	520	99	10	64	308	831	.452	188	40	413	43	.359	14	22	50-75	1379	574	78	45	.962
Totals — Opponents	.284	55-55	1816	320	515	106	17	58	290	829	.456	221	49	440	45	.374	15	32	36-72	1365	571	98	43	.952

PITCHING

Name	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	BK	HBP	PO	A	E	FD%
Scott Brickman, RHP	3.60	5-3	8	8	3	0	0	45.0	48	23	18	9	41	9	2	5	190	.274	0	3	0	5	2	.714
Matt Cobb, RHP	4.05	0-0	3	0	0	0	0	6.2	12	3	3	1	5	2	1	2	31	.400	0	0	0	3	0	1.000
Luke Sabers, RHP	4.62	0-3	16	2	0	0	4	25.1	29	16	13	16	23	7	1	2	123	.284	0	3	2	6	0	1.000
Scott Sobkowiak, RHP	4.76	6-3	15	12	3	0	0	87.0	87	57	46	56	94	18	4	12	408	.260	0	11	3	10	0	1.000
Kevin Briggeman, RHP	5.18	3-0	15	4	0	0	1	41.2	44	29	24	14	34	11	2	4	180	.278	0	4	3	4	1	.875
Steve Beard, RHP	5.23	6-6	14	13	7	0	0	94.2	100	59	55	27	90	21	3	12	414	.270	0	4	13	16	1	.967
David Parra, RHP	5.67	8-5	18	7	3	1	0	73.0	74	49	46	38	84	11	2	5	347	.259	1	15	0	16	1	.941
Josh Allison, RHP	5.68	0-0	4	0	0	0	0	6.1	8	4	4	3	3	3	0	1	31	.296	0	0	0	1	0	1.000
Scott Hoey, RHP	5.94	2-1	12	0	0	0	2	16.2	20	11	11	12	15	3	0	1	79	.303	0	0	0	1	0	1.000
Michael Kron, LHP	6.23	0-0	7	0	0	0	0	4.1	7	3	3	4	3	0	1	0	24	.412	0	1	0	1	0	1.000
Scott Vrba, RHP	6.83	0-1	7	0	4	0	0	29.0	44	27	22	9	19	9	1	8	140	.352	0	3	1	2	0	1.000
Brad Moore, RHP	7.71	0-0	4	0	0	0	0	2.1	2	2	2	1	3	1	0	0	10	.250	0	1	0	1	0	1.000
Bryan Gill, LHP	9.88	2-0	6	0	3	0	0	13.2	22	15	15	6	12	3	0	5	67	.373	0	1	3	3	0	1.000
Kirk Chamberlain, RHP	10.57	0-0	7	0	0	0	0	7.2	12	9	9	10	6	5	0	1	48	.353	0	2	1	0	1	.500
Jason Chalupsky, LHP	14.85	0-1	6	2	0	0	0	6.2	6	13	11	15	8	3	0	0	41	.250	0	1	0	1	0	1.000
Totals — UNI	5.52	32-23	55	55	16	1	7	460.0	515	320	282	221	440	106	17	58	2133	.284	1	49				
Totals — Opponents	5.32	23-32	55	55	14	1	7	455.0	520	345	269	188	413	99	10	64	2104	.283	5	40				

April 15, 1997 —
Following the
Panthers' 5-1
victory over the
University of Iowa.



1997 MVC TOURNEY AT WICHITA, KAN.

#3 SW Missouri St 4, #4 Illinois State 2
#5 Southern Illinois 7, #2 UNI 3
#6 Evansville 6, #1 Wichita State 1

#1 Wichita State 12, #2 Northern Iowa 7
#5 Southern Illinois 5, #3 SMSU 4
#4 Illinois State 17, #6 Evansville 1

#2 SMSU 13, #6 Evansville 4
#1 Wichita State 11, #4 Illinois State 5
#2 SMSU 17, #5 Southern Illinois 11

#1 WSU 17, #5 Southern Illinois 8
#3 SMSU 8, #1 Wichita State 4

FIRST TEAM ALL-MVC

C Lance Burkhart, SW Missouri State
1B Brian Jergenson, Northern Iowa
2B Chris Curry, SW Missouri State
3B Tyler Tumquist, Illinois State
SS Zach Sorenson, Wichita State
UT Kevin Frederick, Creighton
DH Brad Benson, Southern Illinois
OF Brian McMillian, Evansville
OF Aaron Pembroke, Evansville
OF Chad Saafir, Bradley
SP Rob Garola, SW Missouri State
SP Jason Krafft, Wichita State
SP David Parra, Northern Iowa
RP Marc Bluma, Wichita State
RP Scott Geitz, SW Missouri State

SECOND TEAM ALL-MVC

C Nathan Reese, Wichita State
1B Jason Hart, SW Missouri State
2B Kevin Hooper, Wichita State
3B Matt Dettman, Southern Illinois
SS Jerry Hariston, Southern Illinois
UT Jeff Ryan, Wichita State
DH Brian Preston, Wichita State
OF Casey Davis, Wichita State
OF Josh Dunham, Northern Iowa
OF Ryan Knox, Illinois State
SP Eric Eckenstahler, Illinois State
SP Jason Frasier, Southern Illinois
SP Ben Thomas, Wichita State
RP Jim Pecoraro, Southern Illinois
RP Matt Gilmer, SW Missouri State

HONORABLE MENTION ALL-MVC

Bradley — SS Jacob Schaffer; C Miguel Osorio;
DH Chad Johnson.
Creighton — C Adam Christensen; RP Brad
Erickson; SP Christian Sterling.
Evansville — 2B Ryan Brownlee; DH Bobby
Hodges; SP Kyle Ritter.
Illinois State — 2B Todd Mitchell; OF Mane
Gravic; OF Jim Pyfer.
Indiana State — C David Ullery; OF Tyler
Thompson; SP Brad Finken.
Northern Iowa — SS Kevin Sawatzky; C Ryan
Jacobs; DH Brian Kegler; OF Scott Schirmer; SP
Steve Beard; SP Scott Sobkowiak.
Southern Illinois — 1B Aaron Jones; OF Joel
Peters.
Southwest Missouri State — SS Brandon
Jackson; 3B Richie Smith.
Wichita State — 1B Matt Patrick; SP Steve Foral.

1997 VALLEY RESULTS/HONORS

1997 CONFERENCE STANDINGS

MISSOURI VALLEY

	W	L	Pct.	H	A	N
Wichita State	21	7	.750	16-2	5-5	0-0
Northern Iowa	18	8	.692	11-3	7-5	0-0
SW Missouri St.	16	10	.615	10-4	6-6	0-0
Illinois State	18	13	.581	10-3	8-10	0-0
Southern Illinois	13	15	.464	5-12	8-3	0-0
Evansville	13	19	.406	8-9	5-10	0-0
Creighton	10	15	.400	1-6	9-9	0-0
Bradley	10	18	.357	4-6	6-12	0-0
Indiana State	9	23	.281	6-12	3-11	0-0

OVERALL

	W	L	Pct.	H	A
Wichita State	51	18	.739	28-10	23-8
Northern Iowa	32	23	.582	15-7	13-12
SW Missouri St.	35	25	.583	20-8	10-11
Illinois State	29	26	.528	14-8	13-16
Southern Illinois	23	32	.423	8-15	13-16
Evansville	29	30	.491	18-9	11-19
Creighton	27	27	.500	14-11	13-16
Bradley	26	28	.481	13-11	13-17
Indiana State	24	30	.445	13-13	8-13

1997 MVC TEAM STATISTICS

	G	Avg	.AB	R	H	RBI	ERA	IP	H	ER	BB	SO	FLD%
Bradley	28	.279	916	146	58	138	5.98	230.1	276	153	120	159	.940
Creighton	25	.266	822	150	219	137	6.77	200.2	257	151	112	161	.962
Evansville	32	.290	1024	186	297	161	7.25	262.0	368	211	96	247	.964
Illinois State	31	.322	1047	220	337	196	6.30	253.0	312	177	131	277	.942
Indiana State	32	.277	1051	158	291	129	6.31	258.0	350	181	108	202	.958
Northern Iowa	26	.266	842	154	224	138	4.52	219.0	222	110	77	194	.955
Southern Illinois	28	.308	948	193	292	123	5.13	235.0	270	134	77	135	.957
SW Missouri State	26	.322	882	185	284	171	5.79	210.0	240	135	112	154	.946
Wichita State	28	.350	967	278	338	255	4.03	228.0	238	102	77	194	.969

1997 PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

2/18 Kevin Frederick, Creighton
2/25 Kevin Sawatzky, Northern Iowa
3/5 Anthony Molina, Evansville
3/11 Matt Patrick, Wichita State
3/18 John Bicheimyer, Creighton
3/25 Seth VonBenren, Illinois State
4/2 Kevin Frederick, Creighton
4/7 Luke Beuerlein, Wichita State
4/15 Lance Burkhart, SW Missouri State
4/22 Jason Hart, SW Missouri State
4/29 Brian Jergenson, Northern Iowa
5/3 Bobby Hodges, Evansville
5/12 Brian Preston, Wichita State

1997 PITCHERS OF THE WEEK

2/18 Drue Council, Creighton
2/26 Brad Finken, Indiana State
3/5 Robby Leger, Evansville
3/11 Jason Kraft, Wichita State
3/18 Aaron Bass, SW Missouri State
3/25 Scott Brickman, Northern Iowa
4/2 Steve Foral, Wichita State
4/7 Steve Beard, Northern Iowa
4/15 Dustin Tignor, SW Missouri State
4/22 Scott Brickman, Northern Iowa
4/29 Jason Krafft, Wichita State
5/5 Rob Garola, SW Missouri State
5/12 Erich Bryan, Wichita State



INDIVIDUAL PITCHING

	ERA	IP
Scott Geitz, SMSU	2.34	34.2
Nate Robertson, WSU	2.90	31.0
Jim Pecoraro, SIU	3.31	35.1
Steve Beard, UNI	3.57	53.0
Mark Bernhardt, INSU	3.88	51.0
Rob Garola, SMSU	3.88	46.1
Scott Brickman, UNI	3.90	30.0
David Parra, UNI	4.00	36.0
Jason Krafft, WSU	4.03	38.0

STRIKEOUTS

	IP	K	K/9
Keola Delatori, ILSU	40.2	48	10.62
Eric Eckenstahler, ILS	55.1	65	10.57
John Kremer, UE	35.0	39	10.03
Scott Sobkowiak, UNI	48.0	49	9.19
Brad Finken, INSU	62.2	63	9.05
David Parra, UNI	36.0	36	9.00
Ben Thomas, WSU	31.1	29	8.33
Jason Krafft, WSU	38.0	35	8.29
Steve Beard, UNI	53.0	48	8.15

INDIVIDUAL BATTING

	Avg.	AB	H
Brian Preston, WSU	.500	60	30
Josh Dunham, UNI	.412	68	28
Ben Fogarty, WSU	.412	68	28
Aaron Pembroke, UE	.407	123	50
Lance Burkhart, SMSU	.404	99	40
Brian Jergenson, UNI	.385	91	35
Chris Curry, SMSU	.384	99	38
Pat Magness, WSU	.373	59	22
Jerry Hairston, SIU	.369	111	41

Coach of the Year

Dave Schrage, Northern Iowa

Player of the Year

Brian Jergenson, Northern Iowa

Pitcher of the Year

Rob Garola, SW Missouri State

Newcomer of the Year

Brad Benson, Southern Illinois

Freshman of the Year

Jim Pecoraro, Southern Illinois

MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE

A commitment to excellence, both in the classroom and athletic arena, has been a trademark of the Missouri Valley Conference since its inception in the winter of 1907. Built firmly on a solid foundation, the MVC has made great strides and streamlined its resources and skills to become one of the nation's most progressive athletic conferences.

Athletics accomplishments on the men's side include four national basketball championships, 17 trips to the NCAA Final Four and a 1989 national baseball championship.

Obviously, the inclusion of women's programs under the Missouri Valley banner — the oldest athletic conference west of the Mississippi River — has provided an immediate boost. The Gateway Collegiate Athletic Conference, which began in 1982, merged with the Missouri Valley Conference and was unveiled as part of the new MVC on July 1, 1992.

The St. Louis-based Missouri Valley Conference began its tradition long ago. Initiated as a basketball conference in 1907, the MVC has produced many individual and team national champions in basketball and other sports.

Seeds for the creation of the conference were planted by eight administrators representing five institutions, who gathered at the Midland Hotel in Kansas City, Mo., on January 12, 1907. The five schools which formed the Missouri Valley Intercollegiate Athletic Association were Washington University of St. Louis, and the state universities of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. Two months after the initial meeting, two more institutions — Drake University and Iowa State College were admitted to the league.

In the fall of 1907, basketball became the first competitive sport. Today, the Missouri Valley Conference sponsors baseball, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country and track (indoor and outdoor), men's and women's golf, men's and women's soccer, softball, men's and women's swimming, men's and women's tennis and women's volleyball.

MVC student-athletes and coaches have become household names during the conference's illustrious history, both during their college careers and for some, professional careers, which have followed acclaim in the Missouri Valley Conference.

Leading the list of former Valley baseball players who went on to stardom at the major league level are Bob Gibson, Kirby Puckett and Joe Carter. Current players include Scott Servais, Alan Benes, Andy Benes and Steve Finley.

Some 31 institutions in 13 states have at one time or another been affiliated with what is now the Missouri Valley Conference. Membership has stabilized in the last decade, and now a league that has survived a volatile environment the past few years continues its evolution with women's athletics helping maintain its ascent.

Current conference members include Bradley University, Creighton University, Drake University, the University of Evansville, Illinois State University, Indiana State University, the University of Northern Iowa, Southern Illinois University, Southwest Missouri State University and Wichita State University.

Doug Elgin is in his ninth year as MVC commissioner. A 1973 graduate of Lafayette College, Elgin previously served five years as assistant commissioner at the Sun Belt Conference after three years as the University of Virginia's sports information director. A native of Hagerstown, Md., Elgin received his master's from Ohio University in 1975.



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BRADLEY UNIVERSITY

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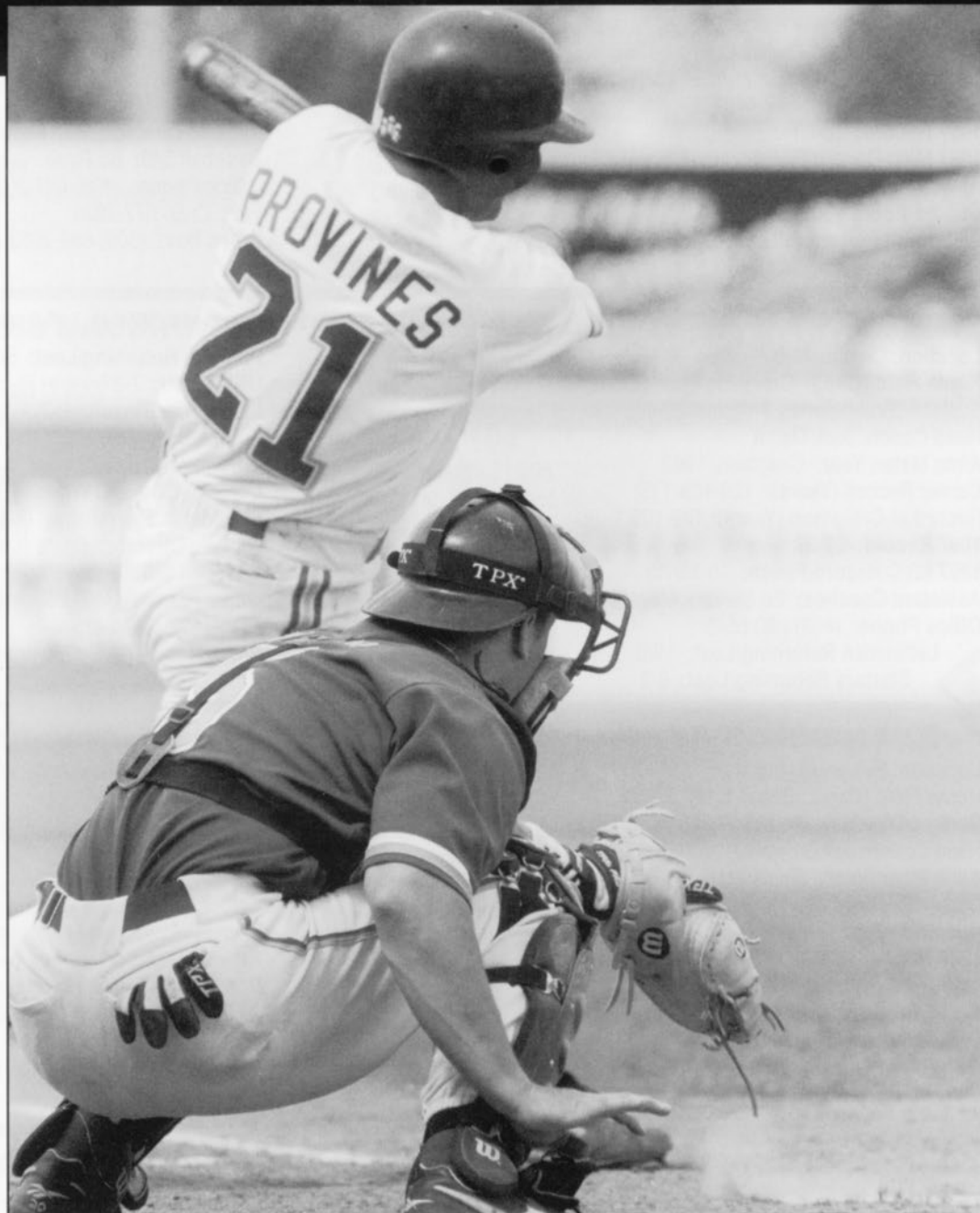
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

**SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE
UNIVERSITY**

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY

At least sixteen of **N**orthern Iowa's 29 opponents in 1998 have participated in the NCAA Regionals since 1990. Of those 16, six are Missouri Valley Conference members.

For the third consecutive year, the Panthers travel to Phoenix, Ariz. Northern Iowa owns a 7-2 record in Arizona over the last three seasons, including the 1997 Rawlings/Oakland A's Spring Tournament Championship.



1998 OPPONENTS

VALLEY OPPONENTS CONFERENCE

BRADLEY BRAVES

Location: Peoria, Ill.
Home Field (Cap.): Vonachen Stadium (6,200)
Surface/Dimensions: Grass/335-383-335
Head Coach: Dewey Kalmer
Alma Mater, Year: Quincy College, 1966
Career Record (Years): 757-590 (29)
Record at Bradley: 567-448 (18)
1997 Record: 26-28
1997 MVC Record/Finish: 10-18/8th
Assistant Coaches: John Young, John Dyke
Office Phone: (309) 677-2684
Letterman Returning/Lost: 20/7
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3

◇ SAT.-SUN., APRIL 4-5, AT PEORIA, ILL.

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/2
UNI vs. BU: 11-14
Last Series/Result: BU, 0-4 in Waterloo, 1997
Founded: 1897
Enrollment: 6,000
Colors: Red and White
President: Dr. John Brazil
Athletic Director: Ken Kavanagh
Baseball SID: Bo Ryan
Office Phone: (309) 677-2627
Fax: (309) 677-2626
Press Box: (309) 688-2653

CREIGHTON BLUE JAYS ◇ WED., APRIL 8, RIVERFRONT/WED., APRIL 22 AT OMAHA, NEB.

Location: Omaha, Neb.
Home Field (Cap.): Creighton Sports Complex (2,000)
Surface/Dimensions: Artificial/330-405-330
Head Coach: Jack Dahm
Alma Mater, Year: Creighton, 1990
Career Record (Years): 109-109-1 (5)
Record at Creighton (Years): 109-109-1 (5)
1997 Record: 27-27
1997 MVC Record/Finish: 10-15/7th
Assistant Coaches: Ed Servais, Mike Filipowicz, Bill Olson
Office Phone: (402) 280-5545
Letterman Returning/Lost: 19/6
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/2
UNI vs. CU: 7-27
Last Series/Result: 2-2, 1-1 splits in Omaha, Waterloo, 1997
Founded: 1878
Enrollment: 6,292
Colors: Blue and White
President: Rev. Michael G. Morrison, S.J.
Athletic Director: Bruce Rasmussen
Baseball SID: Bobby Parker
Office Phone: (402) 280-2488
Fax: (402) 280-2495
Press Box: TBA/Cell Phone: (402) 490-4454

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EVANSVILLE ACES

Location: Evansville, Ind.
Home Field (Cap.): Bosse Field (5,500)
Surface/Dimensions: Grass/315-415-315
Head Coach: Jim Brownlee
Alma Mater/Year: Illinois State, 1970
Career Record (Years): 542-478-4 (18)
Record at Evansville (Years): 542-478-4 (18)
1997 Record: 29-30
1997 MVC Record/Finish: 13-19/6th
Assistant Coaches: Tim Brownlee, Ryan Brownlee, Jeff Leystra
Office Phone: (812) 479-2059
Letterman Returning/Lost: 17/5
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3

◇ FRI.-SUN., APRIL 24-26 AT RIVERFRONT

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 4/1
UNI vs. UE: 6-7
Last Series/Result: 2-2 at Evansville, 1997
Founded: 1854
Enrollment: 2,600
Colors: Purple and White
President: Dr. James Vinson
Athletic Director: James Byers
Baseball SID: Kris Holzmeyer
Office Phone: (812) 488-1024
Fax: (812) 479-2090
Press Box: (812) 435-8251

ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS

Location: Normal, Ill.
Home Field (Cap.): Redbird Field (1,500)
Surface/Dimensions: Grass/330-400-330
Head Coach: Jeff Stewart
Alma Mater, Year: Northern Illinois, 1979
Career Record (Years): 231-277-1 (10)
Record at Illinois State (Years): 231-277-1 (10)
1997 Record: 29-26
1997 MVC Record/Finish: 18-13/4th
Assistant Coaches: Tim Johnson
Office Phone: (309) 438-5151
Letterman Returning/Lost: 16/8
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2

◇ FRI.-SUN., APRIL 17-19 AT NORMAL, ILL.

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 3/4
UNI vs. ISU: 18-14
Last Series/Result: ISU, 0-4 in Waterloo, 1997
Founded: 1857
Enrollment: 20,045
Colors: Red and White
President: Dr. David A. Strand
Athletic Director: Rick Greenspan
Baseball SID: Todd Kober
Office Phone: (309) 438-3802
Fax: (309) 438-5634
Press Box: (309) 438-3504

VALLEY OPPONENTS

INDIANA STATE SYCAMORES

◇ FRI.-SUN., MARCH 20-22, AT TERRE HAUTE, IND.

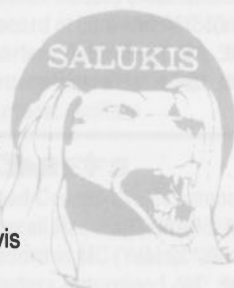
Location: Terre Haute, Ind.
Home Field (Cap.): Sycamore Field (2,500)
Surface/Dimensions: Omni Turf, Grass/340-402-340
Head Coach: Bob Warn
Alma Mater, Year: Southern Illinois, 1968
Career Record (Years): 981-536-7 (28)
Record at Indiana State (Years): 813-489-7 (22)
1997 Record: 24-30-1
1997 MVC Record/Finish: 9-23/9th
Assistant Coaches: Mitch Hannahs, Shohn Doty, Tracey Beals
Office Phone: (812) 237-4051
Letterman Returning/Lost: 19/7
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 8/2
UNI vs. ISU: 8-15
Last Series/Result: ISU, 2-2 in Waterloo, 1997
Founded: 1865
Enrollment: 11,484
Colors: Blue and White
President: Dr. John W. Moore
Athletic Director: TBA
Baseball SID: Doug Hoffman
Office Phone: (812) 237-4160
Fax: (812) 237-4157
Press Box: (812) 237-4187

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SALUKIS

◇ FRI.-SUN., MARCH 27-29, AT RIVERFRONT

Location: Carbondale, Ill.
Home Field (Cap.): Abe Martin Field (1,800)
Surface/Dimensions: Grass/340-410-340
Head Coach: Dan Callahan
Alma Mater, Year: Quincy College, 1981
Career Record (Years): 226-246-1 (9)
Record at Southern Illinois (Years): 73-85 (3)
1997 Record: 23-32
1997 MVC Record/Finish: 13-15/5th
Assistant Coaches: Ken Henderson, Dan Davis
Office Phone: (618) 453-2802
Letterman Returning/Lost: 17/8
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3



Pitchers Returning/Lost: 2/5
UNI vs. SIU: 6-12
Last Series/Result: SIU, 0-2 in Carbondale, 1997; 1-0 at MVC Tourney
Founded: 1869
Enrollment: 21,908
Colors: Maroon and White
President: Dr. Ted Sanders
Athletic Director: Jim Hart
Baseball SID: Gene Green
Office Phone: (618) 453-5470
Fax: (618) 536-2152
Press Box: (618) 453-3794

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE BEARS

◇ SAT.-SUN., APRIL 11-12, AT RIVERFRONT

Location: Springfield, Mo.
Home Field (Cap.): Meador Park (1,500)
Surface/Dimensions: Grass/350-380-350
Head Coach: Keith Guttin
Alma Mater, Year: Missouri-St. Louis, 1978
Career Record (Years): 538-281 (16)
Record at Southwest Missouri State (Years): 538-281 (16)
1997 Record: 35-25
1997 MVC Record/Finish: 16-10/3rd
Assistant Coaches: Brent Thomas, Paul Evans, Evan Pratte
Office Phone: (417) 836-5242
Letterman Returning/Lost: 15/11
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2



Pitchers Returning/Lost: 5/3
UNI vs. SMSU: 5-45
Last Series/Result: SMSU, 2-2 in Springfield, Mo., 1997
Founded: 1905
Enrollment: 17,836
Colors: Maroon and White
President: Dr. John Keiser
Athletic Director: Bill Rowe
Baseball SID: Mark Stillwell/Jeff Williams
Office Phone: (417) 836-5402
Fax: (417) 836-4868
Press Box: (417) 882-4005

WICHITA STATE SHOCKERS

◇ FRI.-SUN., MAY 8-10, AT WICHITA, KAN.

Location: Wichita, Kan.
Home Field (Cap.): Tyler Field-Eck Stadium (5,665)
Surface/Dimensions: Grass/330-390-330
Head Coach: Gene Stephenson
Alma Mater, Year: Missouri, 1968
Career Record (Years): 1,109-339-3 (20)
Record at Wichita State (Years): 1,109-339-3 (20)
1997 Record: 51-18
1997 MVC Record/Finish: 21-7/1st
Assistant Coaches: Brent Kernitz, Jim Thomas, Steve Miller
Office Phone: (316) 978-5301
Letterman Returning/Lost: 22/4
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2

Pitchers Returning/Lost: 12/3
UNI vs. WSU: 2-18
Last Series/Result: WSU 1-0 at MVC Tournament, 1997
Founded: 1895
Enrollment: 14,665
Colors: Black and Yellow
President: Dr. Eugene M. Hughes
Athletic Director: Bill Belknap
Baseball SID: Joe McDonald
Office Phone: (316) 978-3265
Fax: (316) 978-3336
Press Box: (316) 978-3390

OPPONENTS

CAL STATE UNIVERSITY NORTHRIDGE MATADORS ◇ SAT., FEB. 21, PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Location: Northridge, Calif.

Affiliation: NCAA-Division I

Conference: Independent

1997 Record: 42-20-1

1997 Conf. Record/Finish: N/A

Home Field (Cap.): Matador Field (1,200)

Head Coach: Mike Batesole

Overall Record (Years): 94-38-1 (2)

Record at CSN (Years): 94-38-1 (2)

Starters Returning/Lost: 4/5

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 4/22

Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Daniel Lathay

Office Phone: (818) 677-3243

Fax: (818) 677-4762

Press Box Phone: (818) 677-4293

Record vs. UNI: First Meeting

Dimensions: 325-440-330

CHICAGO STATE UNIVERSITY COUGARS

◇ HOMESTEAD, FLA.

Location: Chicago, Ill.

Affiliation: NCAA-Division I

Conference: Mid-Continent

1997 Record: 14-35

1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 10-12/

Home Field (Cap.): Baseball Field (500)

Head Coach: Kevin McCray

Overall Record (Years): 285-481 (17)

Record at CSU (Years): 285-481 (17)

Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 5/2

Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Terrence Jackson

Office Phone: (773) 995-2217

Fax: (773) 995-3656

Press Box Phone: TBA

Record vs. UNI: 2-3

Dimensions: 330-385-330

UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT HUSKIES

◇ WED., MARCH 18, HOMESTEAD, FLA.

Location: Storrs, Conn.

Affiliation: NCAA-Division I

Conference: Big East

1997 Record: 27-20

1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 11-13/3rd

Home Field (Cap.): J.O. Christian Field (2,000)

Head Coach: Andy Baylock

Overall Record (Years): 394-364-8 (18)

Record at UConn (Years): 394-364-8 (2)

Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 15/5

Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Moises Rodriguez/Kyle Muncy

Office Phone: (860) 486-3531

Fax: (860) 486-5085

Press Box Phone: (860) 486-2018

Record vs. UNI: First Meeting

Dimensions: 340-405-340

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY DUKES

◇ SAT., MARCH 14, HOMESTEAD, FLA.

Location: Pittsburgh, Penn.

Affiliation: NCAA-Division I

Conference: Atlantic 10

1997 Record: 17-32

1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 12-9/3rd

Home Field (Cap.): Duquesne Field (1,500)

Head Coach: Mike Wilson

Overall Record (Years): 66-132 (4)

Record at DU (Years): 66-132 (4)

Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 16/6

Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: George Nieman

Office Phone: (412) 396-6560

Fax: (412) 396-6210

Press Box Phone: TBA

Record vs. UNI: First Meeting

Dimensions: 330-365-390-365-330

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GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY ANTELOPES

◇ FRI., FEB. 20, PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Location: Phoenix, Ariz.

Affiliation: NCAA-Division I

Conference: Western Athletic

1997 Record: 13-43

1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 5-25/4th

Home Field (Cap.): Brazell Stadium (2,500)

Head Coach: Gil Stafford

Overall Record (Years): 659-464-1 (17)

Record at GCU (Years): 659-464-1 (17)

Starters Returning/Lost: 8/6 (inc. pitchers)

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 13/12

Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Deron Filip

Office Phone: (602) 589-2795

Fax: (602) 589-2529

Press Box Phone: TBA

Record vs. UNI: First Meeting

Dimensions: 325-390-325

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA HAWKEYES ◇ TUES., APRIL 7, IOWA CITY/TUES., APRIL 28, RIVERFRONT

Location: Iowa City, Iowa

Affiliation: NCAA-Division I

Conference: Big 10

1997 Record: 17-30

1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 7-16/10th

Home Field (Cap.): Iowa Field (3,000)

Head Coach: Scott Broghamer

Overall Record (Years): First season

Record at U of I (Years): First season

Starters Returning/Lost: 7/3

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 21/7

Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Kristy Fick

Office Phone: (319) 335-9411

Fax: (319) 335-9417

Press Box Phone: (319) 335-9520

Record vs. UNI: 46-14

Dimensions: 330-375-400-375-330

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY CYCLONES ◇ TUES., APR. 14, RIVERFRONT/WED., APR. 29, DES MOINES

Location: Ames, Iowa

Affiliation: NCAA-Division I

Conference: Big 12

1997 Record: 21-31

1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 6-21/11th

Home Field (Cap.): Cap Timm Field (3,000)

Head Coach: Lyle Smith

Overall Record (Years): 132-109 (5)

Record at ISU (Years): 44-62 (2)

Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 11/12

Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Mike Green

Office Phone: (515) 294-1393

Fax: (515) 294-0558

Press Box Phone: (515) 294-1640

Record vs. UNI: 84-39

Dimensions: 330-400-330

INDIANA UNIVERSITY HOOSIERS

◇ SUN. MARCH 15, HOMESTEAD, FLA.

Location: Bloomington, Ind.

Affiliation: NCAA-Division I

Conference: Big 10

1997 Record: 34-21

1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 8-16/9th

Home Field (Cap.): Sembower Field (3,500)

Head Coach: Bob Morgan

Overall Record (Years): 836-381-5 (22)

Record at CSN (Years): 544-294-3 (14)

Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4

Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 11/10

Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Josh Rawitch

Office Phone: (812) 855-6209

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Record vs. UNI: First Meeting

Dimensions: 333-370-380-365-333

OPPONENTS

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY FLAMES

Location: Lynchburg, Va.
Affiliation: NCAA-Division I
Conference: Big South
1997 Record: 25-32
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 11-10/4th
Home Field (Cap.): Worthington (1,000)

Head Coach: Dave Pastors
Overall Record (Years): First Season
Record at LU (Years): First Season
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 11/6
Surface: Grass

◇ TUES., MARCH 17, HOMESTEAD, FLA.

Baseball SID: Mike Morntoro
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Record vs. UNI: First Meeting
Dimensions: 325-390-325

MARIST COLLEGE RED FOXES

Location: Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Affiliation: NCAA-Division I
Conference: Metro Atlantic Athletic
1997 Record: 32-19
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 14-7/1st
Home Field (Cap.): McCann Field (800)

Head Coach: John Szeftc
Overall Record (Years): 48-42-1 ((2))
Record at Marist (Years): 48-42-1 (2)
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
Letterwinners Ret./Lost:
Surface: Grass

◇ MON, MARCH 16, HOMESTEAD, FLA.

Baseball SID: Dawn DeRosa
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Fax: (914) 471-0466
Press Box Phone: TBA
Record vs. UNI: First Meeting
Dimensions: 330-414-330

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA GOPHERS ◇ TUES., MAR. 24, METRODOME/WED., APR. 1, RIVERFRONT

Location: Minneapolis, Minn.
Affiliation: NCAA-Division I
Conference: Big 10
1997 Record: 30-24
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 15-10/5th
Home Field (Cap.): Metrodome (55,000)

Head Coach: John Anderson
Overall Record (Years): 560-369-3 (16)
Record at UM (Years): 560-369-3 (16)
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 9/12
Surface: Artificial

Baseball SID: Rhonda Lundin
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Fax: (612) 625-0359
Press Box Phone: (612) 627-4000 (Dome)
Record vs. UNI: 35-6
Dimensions: 343-408-327

MORNINGSIDE COLLEGE CHIEFS

Location: Sioux City, Iowa
Affiliation: NCAA-Division II
Conference: North Central
1997 Record: 14-31
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 4-10/4th
Home Field (Cap.): Lewis & Clark Stadium (4,000)

Head Coach: Jim Scholten
Overall Record (Years): 278-302-1 (14)
Record at MC (Years): 278-302-1 (14)
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 14/11
Surface: Grass

◇ TUES., APRIL 21, SIOUX CITY, IOWA

Baseball SID: Dave Rebstock
Office Phone: (712) 274-5127
Fax: (712) 274-5578
Press Box Phone: (712) 274-4097
Record vs. UNI: 23-35
Dimensions: Unavailable

NEBRASKA CORNHUSKERS ◇ TUES., MARCH 10, LINCOLN, NEB./WED., APRIL 15, RIVERFRONT

Location: Lincoln, Neb.
Affiliation: NCAA-Division I
Conference: Big 12
1997 Record: 27-35
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 7-23/10th
Home Field (Cap.): Buck Beltzer Field (1,500)

Head Coach: Dave Van Horn
Overall Record (Years): 369-148-0 (9)
Record at UN (Years): First season
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 18/9
Surface: AstroTurf/Grass

Baseball SID: Trevor Parks
Office Phone: (402) 472-3290
Fax: (402) 472-2005
Press Box Phone: (402) 2005
Record vs. UNI: 16-2
Dimensions: 330-375-400-375-330

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA WOLF PACK

Location: Reno, Nev.
Affiliation: NCAA-Division I
Conference: Big West
1997 Record: 39-21
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 20-10/1st
Home Field (Cap.): Peccole Park (1,800)

Head Coach: Gary Powers
Overall Record (Years): 453-344-4 (15)
Record at UN (Years): 453-344-4 (15)
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 14/7
Surface: Grass

◇ SUN., MARCH 22, PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Baseball SID: Zen Mocarski
Office Phone: (702) 784-4215
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Press Box Phone: (702) 784-1585
Record vs. UNI: First Meeting
Dimensions: 340-383-401-383-340

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY WILDCATS

Location: Evanston, Ill.
Affiliation: NCAA-Division I
Conference: Big 10
1997 Record: 20-35
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 9-19/9th
Home Field (Cap.): Rocky Miller Park (1,000)

Head Coach: Paul Stevens
Overall Record (Years): 266-288-4 (11)
Record at CSN (Years): 266-288-4 (11)
Starters Returning/Lost: 8/1
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 19/6
Surface: Grass

◇ THURS., FEB. 19, PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Baseball SID: Chris Hughes
Office Phone: (847) 491-7503
Fax: (847) 491-8818
Press Box Phone: (847) 491-4200
Record vs. UNI: 6-0
Dimensions: 330-400-330

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY COWBOYS ◇ TUES.-WED., MARCH 3-4, STILLWATER, OKLA.

Location: Stillwater, Okla.
Affiliation: NCAA-Division I
Conference: Big 12
1997 Record: 46-19
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 21-9/
Home Field (Cap.): Allie P. Reynolds (3,281)

Head Coach: Tom Holliday
Overall Record (Years): 46-19 (1)
Record at CSN (Years): 46-19 (1)
Starters Returning/Lost:
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 11/11
Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Neal Freeman
Office Phone: (405) 744-5749
Fax: (405) 744-7754
Press Box Phone: (405) 744-5757
Record vs. UNI: 9-1
Dimensions: 330-400-330

OPPONENTS

ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY FIGHTING BEES

Location: Davenport, Iowa
Affiliation: NAIA Division II
Conference: Midwest Classic
1997 Record: 27-17
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 18-5/2nd
Home Field (Cap.): Assumption Field (750)

Head Coach: Jim Callahan
Overall Record (Years): 69-36 (2)
Record at St. Ambrose (Years): 69-36 (2)
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/2
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 26/6
Surface: Grass

◇ TUES., MARCH 31, RIVERFRONT

Baseball SID: Bruce Billingsley
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Fax: (319) 333-6239
Press Box Phone: TBA
Record vs. UNI: 14-2
Dimensions: Unavailable

ST. ANDREWS COLLEGE KNIGHTS

Location: Laurington, N.C.
Affiliation: NCAA Division II
Conference: Carolinas-Virginia Atlantic
1997 Record: 34-18
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 13-8/
Home Field (Cap.): Unlimited

Head Coach: Gary Swanson
Overall Record (Years): 354-152 (10)
Record at St. Andrews (Years): 354-152 (10)
Starters Returning/Lost: 6/3
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 14/13
Surface: Grass

◇ FRI., MAY 1, RIVERFRONT

Baseball SID: Jamie Joss
Office Phone: (910) 277-5277
Fax: (910) 277-5272
Press Box Phone: TBA
Record vs. UNI: First Meeting
Dimensions: 315-400-315

TENNESSEE-MARTIN SKYHAWKS ◇ FRI.-SUN., FEB. 27-28, MARCH 1, MARTIN, TENN.

Location: Martin, Tenn.
Affiliation: NCAA Division I
Conference: Ohio Valley
1997 Record: 16-29
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 8-16
Home Field (Cap.): Skyhawk Field (800)

Head Coach: Vernon Prather
Overall Record (Years): 460-377-9 (21)
Record at UTM (Years): 460-377-9 (21)
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/4
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 10/12
Surface: Grass

Baseball SID: Lee Wilmot
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Record vs. UNI: 3-2
Dimensions: 330-385-330

WARTBURG COLLEGE KNIGHTS

Location: Waverly, Iowa
Affiliation: NCAA-Division III
Conference: Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic
1997 Record: 30-16
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 16-4/1st
Home Field (Cap.): Hertel Field (500)

Head Coach: Joel Holst
Overall Record (Years): 150-116-1 (7)
Record at Wartburg (Years): 50-36-1 (2)
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/1
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 20/2
Surface: Grass

◇ WED., MARCH 25, RIVERFRONT

Baseball SID: Duane Schroeder
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Fax: (319) 352-8301
Press Box Phone: (319) 352-8456
Record vs. UNI: 38-76
Dimensions: 340-380-340

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WAYNE STATE COLLEGE WILDCATS

Location: Wayne, Neb.
Affiliation: NCAA Division II
Conference: Independent
1997 Record: 18-18
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: N/A
Home Field (Cap.): WSC Baseball Complex (300)

Head Coach: John Manganaro
Overall Record (Years): 89-113 (5)
Record at WSC (Years): 89-113 (5)
Starters Returning/Lost: 5/3
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 15/8
Surface: Grass

◇ SAT., MAY 2, RIVERFRONT

Baseball SID: Kevin Ludwig
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Press Box Phone: (402) 375-7316
Record vs. UNI: 2-1
Dimensions: 330-400-330

WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY RAIDERS

Location: Dayton, Ohio
Affiliation: NCAA-Division I
Conference: Midwestern Collegiate
1997 Record: 31-28
1997 Conf. Record/Finish: 16-6
Home Field (Cap.): Wright Field (500)

Head Coach: Ron Nischwitz
Overall Record (Years): 708-485-7 (23)
Record at WSU (Years): 708-485-7 (23)
Starters Returning/Lost: 7/3
Letterwinners Ret./Lost: 12/9
Surface: Grass

◇ SAT.-SUN., MAY 2-3, RIVERFRONT

Baseball SID: Bernadette Vielhaber
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Record vs. UNI: 1-1
Dimensions: 330-400-330

The **P**anthers set a total of 17 team and individual school records, including overall and conference wins in 1997. Four players established six different career records, and two set five different season bests.

1998 marks the 99th year of baseball at Northern Iowa. The school has supported squads since 1893, and endured seven years without baseball, including 1903-1904, 1909-1910 and 1943-1945.



RECORD BOOK

SINGLE-SEASON TEAM RECORDS

BATTING, 1957-1997

Wins	Runs Scored	Triples	Bases on Balls
32 1997	366 1986	46 1987	261 1996
28 1995	363 1996	21 1995	255 1994
26 1996	361 1994	20 1996	234 1995
1981	345 1997	17 1990	233 1992
24 1994	343 1992	14 1994	228 1990
Games Played	Hits	Home Runs	Strikeouts
59 1990	529 1994	68 1986	413 1997
58 1996	520 1997	64 1997	356 1996
56 1994	505 1996	47 1985	1994
1992	484 1990	39 1988	1988
1991	461 1995	34 1990	354 1995
Batting Average	Runs Batted In	Total Bases	Sacrifices
.363 1986	323 1986	831 1997	90 1983
.354 1987	316 1996	736 1994	44 1991
.306 1981	308 1997	718 1996	1975
.301 1963	303 1994	713 1986	43 1995
.290 1961	285 1992	702 1990	41 1992
			1980
Official At Bats	Doubles	Slugging Percent	Stolen Bases
1867 1994	103 1995	.625 1986	151 1987
1839 1997	99 1997	.559 1987	137 1986
1811 1996	98 1996	.490 1977	70 1992
1782 1995	96 1992	.485 1968	67 1988
1758 1990	95 1994	.482 1963	54 1994

PITCHING, 1958-1997

ERA	Innings Pitched	Earned Runs Allowed	Balks
1.87 1965	460.0 1997	24 1965	12 1988
2.19 1959	459.1 1994	38 1961	10 1993
2.32 1962	457.1 1996	39 1963	8 1996
2.71 1961	456.0 1995	42 1962	6 1994
2.79 1970	424.1 1990	55 1966	
Complete Games	Hits Allowed	Bases on Balls Allowed	Hit Batsmen
24 1990	79 1961	24 1965	54 1996
18 1976	87 1965	39 1963	52 1991
16 1997	1959	56 1959	49 1997
1975	116 1962	65 1962	45 1992
15 1991	121 1960	66 1964	42 1995
1977			
Saves	Runs Allowed	Strikeouts	Wild Pitches
10 1995	28 1965	440 1997	72 1988
7 1997	41 1959	353 1996	60 1992
1996	50 1961	348 1994	55 1994
1992	57 1962	317 1995	54 1996
6 1988	71 1969	256 1992	50 1992

◇ All records are based on full seasons, with a minimum 14 games played in each season.

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SINGLE-SEASON INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

BATTING, 1957-1997

Official At Bats

214 Todd Rima, 1997
 213 John Pratt, 1990
 200 Matt Paulsen, 1995
 199 P.J. Conlon, 1991
 198 Monty Muller, 1994

Bases on Balls

40 Tom Bach, 1990
 37 Tom Owen, 1995
 32 Gabe Wyckoff, 1996
 31 Todd Barkalow, 1986
 Tovey Goynes, 1987
 Kevin Sawatzky, 1997

Batting Average

.500 Todd Barkalow, 1986
 .458 Jim Blythe, 1977
 .444 Terry Notton, 1979
 .436 Frank Sovich, 1957
 .429 Rick Kriz, 1968

Caught Stealing

8 Tom Potts, 1985
 7 Gabe Wyckoff, 1996
 Mark Pasqualini, 1992
 John Pratt, 1990
 Scott Schmelzer, 1986

Doubles

23 Tom Owen, 1995
18 Todd Rima, 1996
 16 John Pratt, 1990
Todd Rima, 1997
 14 Monty Muller, 1994
 Eric Snider, 1986

Hits

80 John Pratt, 1990
 76 Tom Owen, 1995
 73 Brian Jergenson, 1997
 72 Monty Muller, 1994
 68 Dave Smith, 1987

Hit by Pitch

10 Tim Lincoln, 1980
 9 Marty Schilmoeller, 1992
 8 Kevin Sawatzky, 1995
 7 John Pratt, 1990
 Kevin Sawatzky, 1997

Home Runs

16 Todd Barkalow, 1986
 15 Todd Barkalow, 1985
 14 Brian Jergenson, 1997
 10 Tom Owen, 1995
 9 Ron Foell, 1968
 John Pratt, 1990

Runs Batted In

66 Brian Jergenson, 1997
 63 Todd Barkalow, 1985
 53 Tom Owen, 1995
 43 John Pratt, 1990
 Eric Snider, 1987

Runs Scored

56 Tom Owen, 1995
 49 Eric Snider, 1986
47 Todd Rima, 1996
 45 Brian Jergenson, 1997
 44 John Pratt, 1990

Strikeouts

65 Kevin Sawatzky, 1997
 56 Tom Hunter, 1996
 55 Mark Lumpa, 1988
 45 Mark Lumpa, 1990
 37 Brian Jergenson, 1995

Sacrifices/Sac Flies

8 Phil Johnson, 1966
 Kevin Saunders, 1993
 Dan Wirtz, 1966
 7 11 others, most recently
 Brian Jergeson, 1997

Stolen Bases

33 Eric Snider, 1987
 32 Eric Snider, 1986
 21 Scott Schmelzer, 1985
 19 Tovey Goynes, 1988
 17 Myron Glass, 1992

Total Bases

141 Tom Owen, 1995
 133 John Pratt, 1990
 129 Brian Jergeson, 1997
 120 Todd Barkalow, 1986
 103 Todd Barkalow, 1985

Triples

6 Jerry Holbrook, 1962
 Tom Owen, 1995
 5 Rick Kriz, 1968
 John Pratt, 1990
 Kevin Sawatzky, 1994
 Gabe Wyckoff, 1996

PITCHING, 1958-1997

Appearances

20 Scott Brickman, 1996
 Dave Freeseaman, 1991
 19 Bryan Duncan, 1995
 18 David Parra, 1997
 Tom Jansen, 1973

Bases on Balls Allowed

3 Tom Jansen, 1972
 4 Frank Huston, 1965
 Tom Simpson, 1963
 5 Bob Everding, 1966
 6 John Kneeland, 1967

Games Started

16 Jeff Johannsen, 1996
 14 Chad Rezac, 1992
 13 Steve Beard, 1997
 12 Steve Beard, 1995
 Mike Irvine, 1994
 Jeff Johannsen, 1995

Runs

3 Frank Huston, 1965
 4 Tom Simpson, 1963
 5 Tom Jansen, 1972
 6 Bob Everding, 1966
 7 Tom Janssen, 1971

Decisions

13 Jeff Johannsen, 1996
 David Parra, 1997
 Chad Rezac, 1992
 12 Steve Dreyer, 1990
 Scot Palmer, 1981

Earned Runs Allowed

2 Frank Huston, 1965
 Tom Simpson, 1963
 4 Chuck Burns, 1970
 Tom Jansen, 1972
 5 Bob Everding, 1966

Earned Run Average

0.38 Tom Simpson, 1963
 0.62 Chuck Burns, 1970
 0.96 Frank Huston, 1965
 1.25 Darrell Bunge, 1962
 1.29 John Zahn, 1959

Wins

9 Jeff Johannsen, 1996
 8 Doug Darnell, 1968
 David Parra, 1996
 7 5 tied, most recently
 Chad Rezac, 1992

Hits Allowed

2 Jim Tanner, 1973
 12 Frank Huston, 1965
 15 Don Anderson, 1969
 16 3 tied, most recently
 Randy Ramlo, 1983

Saves

7 Bryan Duncan, 1995
 5 Mike Gerlach, 1987
4 Scott Brickman, 1996
Luke Sabers, 1997
 3 Scot Palmer, 1981

Strikeouts

94 Jeff Johannsen, 1996
Scott Sobkowiak, 1997
 90 Darrell Bunge, 1962
 86 Doug Darnell, 1968
 72 3 tied, most recently Jeff
 Johannsen, 1995

Balks

5 Mike Irvine, 1992
 4 Scott Childers, 1988
 3 Brett Lagerblade, 1995
 Scot Palmer, 1981

Innings Pitched

101.1 Jeff Johannsen, 1996
 94.2 Steve Beard, 1997
 89.0 Chad Rezac, 1992
 84.1 Jeff Johannsen, 1995
 78.2 Steve Dreyer, 1990

Complete Games

9 Darrell Bunge, 1962
 7 Steve Beard, 1997
 Steve Dreyer, 1990
 Phil Johnson, 1966
 6 5 tied, most recently Tom
 Hurd, 1977

Hit Batsmen

15 David Parra, 1997
 14 Kevin Briggeman, 1996
 13 Chad Rezac, 1992
 10 Mike Brandmeyer, 1991
 9 Mike Irvine, 1995

Shutouts

3 Jeff Johannsen, 1995
 2 Mark Adams, 1975

Current players in **bold italics**.

CAREER RECORDS

BATTING, 1957-1997

Official At Bats

650	Tom Bach (1990-93)
634	Brian Jergenson (1994-97)
618	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
543	<i>Todd Rima (1995-present)</i>
518	Keven Saunders (1992-95)

Batting Average

.410	Eric Snider (1986-87)
.404	Rick Kriz (1968-69)
.390	Tim Hackenmiller (19970-73)
.376	Scott Schmelzer (1985-86)
.373	Jim Blythe (1975-77)

Doubles

39	<i>Todd Rima (1995-present)</i>
38	Tom Bach (1990-93)
34	Tom Owen (1992-95)
	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
32	Mark Pasqualini (1992-95)

Games Played

202	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
194	Brian Jergenson (1994-97)
180	Mark Pasqualini (1992-95)
165	Mike Morony (1988-91)
163	Dan Thielen (1991-94)

Hit by Pitch

21	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
14	Tim Lincoln (1978-80)
	Marty Schilmoeller (1991-92)
9	Keven Saunders (1993-95)
7	John Pratt (1988-89)

Hits

208	Brian Jergenson (1994-97)
191	Tom Bach (1990-93)
160	Keven Saunders (1992-95)
157	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
156	Todd Barkalow (1983-86)

Home Runs

42	Todd Barkalow (1983-86)
28	Brian Jergenson (1994-97)
22	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
	Scott Schmelzer (1985-86)
21	Mark Lumpa (1988-90)

Runs Batted In

153	Todd Barkalow (1983-86)
146	Brian Jergenson (1994-97)
118	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
89	Mark Lumpa (1988-90)
88	Tom Owen (1992-95)

Runs Scored

134	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
116	Brian Jergenson (1994-97)
115	Mark Pasqualini (1992-95)
108	Todd Barkalow (1983-86)
102	<i>Todd Rima (1995-present)</i>

Triples

10	Tim Hackenmiller (1970-73)
8	Tom Owen (1992-95)
	Andy Rocksvold (1995-96)
	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
7	4 tied, most recently John Pratt (1988-89)

Total Bases

329	Brian Jergenson (1994-97)
312	Todd Barkalow (1983-86)
273	Kevin Sawatzky (1994-97)
223	Keven Saunders (1992-95)
222	Tom Owen (1992-95)

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PITCHING, 1958-1997

Bases on Balls Allowed

13	Bob Everding (1966-67)
20	Tom Simpson (1963-65)
23	Dave Cronin (1962-64)
24	Tom Janssen (1971-73)
28	Frank Waterhouse (1963-64)

Earned Runs Allowed

19	Tom Simpson (1963-65)
36	Nick Leinen (1979-81)
38	Darrell Bunge (1960-62)
39	Tom Janssen (1971-73)
44	Dave Simpson (1967, 70-71)

Earned Run Average

1.17	Tom Simpson (1963-65)
1.97	Frank Huston (1965-66)
2.31	Darrell Bunge (1960-62)
2.39	Bob Everding (1966-67)
2.48	Duane Usher (1970-72)

Games Started

43	Steve Beard (1993-95, 97)
40	Mike Irvine (1992-95)
32	Jeff Johannsen (1992-96)
25	Brett Lagerblade (1991, 93-95)
24	Mike Brandmeyer (1987-89, 91)

Innings Pitched

298.1	Steve Beard (1993-95, 97)
256.2	Jeff Johannsen (1992-96)
230.0	Mike Irvine (1992-95)
187.0	Scot Palmer (1979-82)
184.1	Doug Darnell (1967-69)

Saves

7	Bryan Duncan (1993-95)
6	<i>Scott Brickman (1995-present)</i>
5	Corey Coates (1991-93)
	Mike Gerlach (1986-87)

Strikeouts

247	Steve Beard (1993-95, 97)
241	Jeff Johannsen (1992-96)
193	Doug Darnell (1967-69)
183	Chuck Burns (1971-73)
182	Scot Palmer (1979-82)

Wins

19	Doug Darnell (1967-69)
18	Jeff Johannsen (1992-96)
17	Scot Palmer (1979-82)
16	Steve Beard (1993-95, 97)
15	Chuck Burns (1970-73)
	Mike Irvine (1992-95)

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YEAR-BY-YEAR STATISTICS

BATTING, 1957-1997

Year	W-L	GP	BA	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	TB	SL%	BB	SO	SAC	SB/SBA
1997	32-23	55	.283	1839	345	520	308	99	10	64	831	.452	188	413	36	50/75
1996	26-32	58	.279	1811	363	505	316	98	20	25	718	.396	261	356	36	42/65
1995	28-27	55	.259	1782	329	461	284	103	21	30	696	.391	234	354	43	18/70
1994	24-32	56	.283	1867	361	529	303	95	14	28	736	.394	255	356		54/79
1993	12-39	51	.251	1541	189	387	167	74	7	20	535	.347	174	291	27	51/71
1992	22-34	56	.273	1682	343	459	285	96	7	33	668	.397	233	290	41	70/103
1991	12-44	56	.259	1612	229	417	193	62	5	28	573	.355	193	301	44	47/64
1990	20-39	59	.275	1758	283	484	247	82	17	34	702	.399	228	299	30	34/53
1989	13-37	50	.258	1424	223	367	194	67	9	21	515	.362	186	361	21	48/63
1988	11-43	54	.274	1521	279	417	240	69	9	39	621	.408	201	356	22	67/83
1987	22-21	43	.354	1166	293	413	81	10	46	28	652	.559	206	203	26	151/180
1986	23-18-1	42	.363	1140	366	414	323	73	11	68	713	.625	212	162		137/170
1985	15-32	45	.281	1193	243	335	204	63	7	47	553	.464	145	208		96/129
1984	12-18	30	.280	813	155	228	135	40	5	22	344	.423	100	135	21	30
1983	7-15	22	.254	571	101	145	88	23	6	18	234	.410	82	90	90	38
1982	11-16	27	.257	720	141	185	115	35	5	21	299	.415	115	115	16	19
1981	26-10	36	.306	923	253	282	223	57	3	26	423	.458				
1980	12-16	28	.200	674	92	135	64	19	2	0	158	.234	135	123	41	47/62
1979	11-17	28	.256	820	129	210	105	23	5	17	294	.359	114	168	21	20/22
1978	17-16	35	.262	878	164	224	120	34	6	13	309	.352	115	142	29	30
1977	15-20	35	.287	877	178	252	161	39	1	29	430	.490	775	123		25
1976	12-18	30	.255	836	114	213	92	24	5	9	327	.391	66	110		41
1975	12-16	28	.219	703	105	155	95	24	5	13	228	.322	109	150	44	19
1974	18-14	--All other records missing--														
1973	17-16	33	.246	963	153	241	138	27	6	29	367	.381			26	52
1972	16-17-1	35	.281	704	140	198	124	37	9	25	328	.466	110	178	14	19
1971	10-15	25	.247	745	133	183	123	28	12	19	292	.392	85	179	11	41
1970	16-10	26	.254	797	168	203	138	28	7	28	329	.413	144	184	16	45
1969	15-6	21	.271	635	131	172	116	16	6	20	260	.409			22	17
1968	17-5	22	.289	668	169	193	140	26	6	31	324	.485	119	132	27	31
1967	7-16	23	.235	678	95	159	77	18	4	15	230	.339			19	27
1966	13-9	14	.220	448	77	99	69	15	5	10	154	.344	93	21	14	47
1965	10-3	14	.220	448	77	99	69	15	5	10	154	.344	93	21	14	27
1964	11-7	21	.265	666	133	177	111	27	6	25	291	.437	105	144	9	26
1963	18-2	18	.301	575	140	173	124	25	5	23	277	.482	93	113	3	35
1962	12-5-1	18	.259	593		154	110	19	14	14	243	.410				
1961	11-4	15	.290	503	117	146	92	13	7	17	224	.445	82	88	11	12
1960	9-8	17	.232	508	79	118	71	12	6	12	178	.350	85	120	11	14
1959	11-3	14	.228	479	100	109	72	23	5	5	157	.328	93	78	14	27
1958	12-8	20	.266	683	157	182	136	23	8	14	279	.409	150	114	24	33
1957	3-10	13	.237	422	62	100	49	5	6	2	123	.292				

PITCHING, 1958-1997

ERA	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	BK	HB	WP
5.52	16	7	460.0	515	320	282	221	440	1	49	47
6.59	9	7	457.1	557	403	335	287	353	8	54	54
5.13	14	10	456	491	309	260	218	317	5	42	44
5.74	13	3	459.1	583	386	293	235	348	6	40	55
6.79	7	3	393.2	515	363	297	214	218	3	38	27
8.22	11	7	418	569	457	382	284	256	10	45	60
7.90	15	3	413.1	571	467	363	287	239	2	52	50
7.72	24	4	424.1	591	450	364	264	221	2	27	30
7.87	16	3	339.2	461	368	297	244	212	3	28	38
10.96	5	6	364.2	605	601	444	355	200	12	37	72
6.79	11	6	285	346	280	215	211	250		8	15
9.41	9	4	264	409	353	276	191	213	5	18	33
9.37	14	1	287.1	487	390	299	172	162	2	16	34
6.70	7	5	204.1	272	202	152	119	84		2	5
6.56	9	1	144.1	164	136	105	80	59		6	11
6.41	12	2	181.2	231	172	129	103	142	2	8	16
4.72		6	240.1	255	165	126	120	141	3	8	11
3.42			195.0	182	117	74	89	152	0	6	21
7.51	11		203.2	263	226	170	105	136	0	9	11
5.15			225.2	250	195	129	151	159	2	9	13
4.62	15	2	230.0	264	180	152	110	110			
5.24	18	1	209.1	233	154	122	119	107			
5.12	16	3	198.2	215	130	113	98	144	0	2	12
4.66	11		249.0	254	172	129	133	184	2	3	16
3.03	4		183.1	150	75	61	76	184	2	3	10
4.55	9		191.0	175	121	79	91	189	0	8	10
2.79	11		200.1	161	96	62	108	165	0	5	11
3.14	9		169.1	139	71	59	103	128	2	8	7
3.39	8		175.0	144	891	66	104	176	0	5	13
6.00	9		174.0	196	140	116	85	120	1		6
2.88	12		171.1	141	77	55	72	139	0	4	8
1.87	8		115.0	87	28	24	24	112			
4.05	12		166.1	171	108	75	66	139	3	3	2
3.90	12		145.0	147	82	39	39	133		4	
2.32	13		163.0	116	57	42	65	144			
2.71	11		126.1	79	50	38	67	135		1	5
5.09	7		134.1	121	96	76	76	129		2	5
2.19	10		127.0	87	41	69	56	132		6	6
3.88			160.0	162	92	69	89	128		6	6
--All other records missing--											

♦ All records are based on full seasons, with a minimum of 14 games played in each season.

♦ Blank indicates no record found.

♦ Due to incomplete records, the above is not a complete listing of Northern Iowa baseball records. Additions, corrections and deletions are welcome with verification.



The 1986 Northern Iowa baseball team led the NCAA with a .363 batting average and ranked second in slugging percentage at .625. Senior Todd Barkalow led the nation, hitting .500 on the season (61-122 in 42 games). Barkalow's 63 RBI ranked him 10th in the nation.

ALL-TIME PANTHER SEASON RECORDS

ALL-TIME COACHING WINS



L.W. Whitford,
302-223 in 39
seasons



J.D. Anderson,
270-253 in 18
seasons.



Dave Schrage,
currently 156-231
in seven
seasons.

Coach	Years	Wins	Record
L.W. Whitford	1926-65	302	302-223 (.575)
J.D. Anderson	1966-84	270	270-253 (.516)
Dave Schrage	1991-pres.	156	156-231 (.403)
Gary Swanson	1985-87	66	66-71 (.482)
Gene Bake	1988-90	44	44-119 (.270)
Roy Seymour	1908-11, 1915-17	14	12-16-1 (.414)
L.L. Medenhall	1922-23	10	10-6 (.625)
H.F. Pasini	1912-13	9	9-9-1 (.500)
A.D. Dickinson	1919	6	4-3 (.571)
Abram Jones	1920-21	6	6-6 (.500)

Coach	Years	Wins	Record
Osborne Cowles	1924	6	6-0 (1.000)
J.E. Vance	1985-97	5	5-4 (.555)
John Fitzgerald	1907	4	4-2 (.667)
Van Oot	1918	4	4-3 (.571)
H.G. Lunderman	1914	4	4-4 (.500)
Sutherland	1899	3	3-2 (.600)
Trothe	1898	2	2-1 (.667)
R.B. Leland	1905	2	2-1 (.667)
Capt. Avery	1893-94	2	2-3 (.400)
Capt. Cotten	1902	2	2-7 (.222)
Charles Pell	1906	1	1-7 (.125)

Year	Record	Coach
1893	1-1 (.500)	Capt. Avery
1894	1-2 (.333)	Capt. Avery
1895	2-1 (.667)	J.E. Vance
1896	1-1 (.500)	J.E. Vance
1897	2-2 (.500)	J.E. Vance
1898	2-1 (.667)	Trothe
1899	3-2 (.600)	Sutherland
1900	2-1 (.667)	No coach
1901	4-3 (.571)	No coach
1902	2-7 (.222)	Capt. Cotten
1903	No baseball	
1904	No baseball	
1905	2-1 (.667)	R.B. Leland
1906	1-7 (.125)	Charles Pell
1907	4-2 (.667)	John Fitzgerald
1908	2-5 (.286)	Roy Seymour
1909	No baseball	
1910	No baseball	
1911	2-5-1 (.313)	Roy Seymour
1912	5-6 (.455)	H.F. Pasini
1913	4-3-1 (.563)	H.F. Pasini
1914	4-4 (.500)	H.G. Lundeman
1915	1-3 (.250)	Roy Seymour
1916	6-4 (.600)	Roy Seymour
1917	3-4 (.429)	Roy Seymour
1918	4-3 (.571)	Van Oot
1919	4-3 (.571)	A.D. Dickenson
1920	3-3 (.500)	Abram James
1921	3-3 (.500)	Abram James
1922	4-5 (.444)	L.L. Mendenhall
1923	6-1 (.857)	L.L. Mendenhall
1924	6-0 (1.000)	Osborne Cowles
1925	7-3 (.700)	Rosco Minton
1926	6-4 (.600)	L.W. Whitford
1927	6-4 (.600)	L.W. Whitford
1928	11-1 (.917)	L.W. Whitford

Year	Record	Coach
1929	9-4-1 (.679)	L.W. Whitford
1930	10-2 (.833)	L.W. Whitford
1931	1-13 (.071)	L.W. Whitford
1932	6-6 (.500)	L.W. Whitford
1933	5-3 (.625)	L.W. Whitford
1934	6-4 (.600)	L.W. Whitford
1935	4-8 (.333)	L.W. Whitford
1936	8-6 (.571)	L.W. Whitford
1937	9-4 (.563)	L.W. Whitford
1938	1-11 (.083)	L.W. Whitford
1939	9-7 (.563)	L.W. Whitford
1940	8-4-1 (.654)	L.W. Whitford
1941	0-7 (.588)	L.W. Whitford
1942	6-5-1 (.542)	L.W. Whitford
1943	No baseball	
1944	No baseball	
1945	No baseball	
1946	6-6 (.500)	L.W. Whitford
1947	10-3 (.769)	L.W. Whitford
1948	12-4 (.750)	L.W. Whitford
1949	9-5 (.643)	L.W. Whitford
1950	9-4 (.692)	L.W. Whitford
1951	5-8 (.385)	L.W. Whitford
1952	8-6 (.571)	L.W. Whitford
1953	8-8 (.500)	L.W. Whitford
1954	6-6 (.500)	L.W. Whitford
1955	12-5 (.706)	L.W. Whitford
1956	9-7 (.563)	L.W. Whitford
1957	3-10 (.231)	L.W. Whitford
1958	12-8 (.600)	L.W. Whitford
1959	11-3 (.786)	L.W. Whitford
1960	9-8 (.529)	L.W. Whitford
1961	11-4 (.733)	L.W. Whitford
1962	12-5 (.706)	L.W. Whitford
1963	14-4 (.778)	L.W. Whitford
1964	11-10 (.524)	L.W. Whitford

Year	Record	Coach
1965	10-4 (.714)	L.W. Whitford
1966	13-9 (.591)	J.D. Anderson
1967	7-16 (.304)	J.D. Anderson
1968	17-5 (.773)	J.D. Anderson
1969	15-6 (.714)	J.D. Anderson
1970	16-10 (.615)	J.D. Anderson
1971	15-10 (.600)	J.D. Anderson
1972	16-7 (.696)	J.D. Anderson
1973	17-16 (.515)	J.D. Anderson
1974	18-14 (.563)	J.D. Anderson
1975	12-16 (.429)	J.D. Anderson
1976	12-18 (.400)	J.D. Anderson
1977	15-18 (.455)	J.D. Anderson
1978	18-17 (.514)	J.D. Anderson
1979	11-17 (.393)	J.D. Anderson
1980	12-16 (.429)	J.D. Anderson
1981	26-10 (.722)	J.D. Anderson
1982	7-15 (.318)	J.D. Anderson
1983	7-15 (.318)	J.D. Anderson
1984	12-18 (.400)	J.D. Anderson
1985	15-32 (.319)	Gary Swanson
1986	25-18 (.581)	Gary Swanson
1987	26-21 (.553)	Gary Swanson
1988	11-43 (.204)	Gene Baker
1989	12-37 (.260)	Gene Baker
1990	20-39 (.339)	Gene Baker
1991	12-44 (.214)	Dave Schrage
1992	22-34 (.393)	Dave Schrage
1993	12-39 (.235)	Dave Schrage
1994	24-32 (.428)	Dave Schrage
1995	28-27 (.509)	Dave Schrage
1996	26-32 (.448)	Dave Schrage
1997	32-23 (.582)	Dave Schrage

TOTAL: 929-971-5 (.489)— 98 seasons



RECORD VS. ALL-TIME OPPONENTS

AGAINST THE MISSOURI VALLEY ...

	UNI-Opp
Bradley	11-14
Creighton	7-27
Drake	35-13
Evansville	6-7
Illinois State	18-14
Indiana State	8-15
Southern Illinois	6-12
Southwest Mo. State	5-45
Wichita State	2-18

	UNI-Opp
Air Force	1-7
Arkansas	0-5
Arkansas State	2-6
Army	1-2
Augsburg	3-0
Augustana-Sioux Falls	30-10
Aurora	0-1
Austin Peay	0-2
Bowling Green State	1-0
Briar Cliff	13-7
Bucknell	0-1
Cal State-Northridge	First meeting
Carleton	8-1
Central	16-2
Central Arkansas	1-0
Central Connecticut	1-0
Central Methodist	2-0
Central Michigan	0-4
Central Missouri State	2-5
Chicago State	3-2
Coe	23-18
Colgate	1-0
Connecticut	First meeting
Cornell (Iowa)	3-6
Dartmouth	3-0
Delaware Valley	0-1
Drew	1-0
Dubuque	18-10
Duquesne	First meeting
Eastern Illinois	6-23
East Tennessee State	0-1
Evangel	2-1
Florida International	1-1
Florida State	0-6
Ft. Hayes State	0-6
Georgetown (Kentucky)	1-0
Goshen	3-0
Grand Canyon	First meeting
Grand View	9-17
Grinnell	0-2
Gustavus Adolphus	1-0

	UNI-Opp
Harvard	2-0
Highland Park	2-4
Illinois Benedictine	1-0
Illinois-Chicago	2-2
Illinois College	3-2
Iowa	14-46
Iowa State	39-84
Iowa Wesleyan	6-1
Indiana	First meeting
Kansas	2-8
Kansas State	3-5
Kent State	1-0
Knox	1-0
Kutztown State	1-0
Lake Forest	2-0
Liberty	First meeting
Lincoln	7-0
Loras	15-5
Louisville	1-1
Luther	30-30
Mankato State	10-12
Marist	First meeting
Memphis State	0-4
Miami (Florida)	0-2
Miami (Ohio)	0-4
Michigan	1-3
Michigan State	4-2
Middle Tennessee State	0-1
Millersville	0-1
Milligan	0-1
Minnesota	6-35
Missouri	2-11
Missouri Southern	0-1
Missouri Valley	1-0
Missouri Western	2-0
Monmouth	2-0
Morningside	35-23
Mt. Marty	2-0
Mt. Mercy	18-5
Nebraska	2-16
Nebraska-Omaha	6-5
Nevada	First meeting
North Central	0-1
North Dakota	21-6
North Dakota State	20-10
Northeast Missouri State	3-3
Northern Colorado	0-1
Northwest Missouri State	3-3
Northeastern Illinois	0-3
Northwestern	0-6
Northern Illinois	14-15
Notre Dame	0-2
Ohio State	1-1
Oklahoma	0-2
Oklahoma State	1-9

	UNI-Opp
Old Dominion	0-2
Oral Roberts	0-1
Pan American	0-13
Plymouth	1-0
Quincy	5-1
St. Ambrose	14-2
St. Andrews	First meeting
St. Joseph	3-2
St. Lawrence	0-1
St. Louis	3-2
St. Mary's (California)	2-1
St. Olaf	1-2
St. Xavier	2-3
Sam Houston State	1-6
Samford	0-2
School of the Ozarks	1-0
Simpson	16-4
South Alabama	0-3
South Dakota	33-2
South Dakota State	25-17
Southeast Missouri State	1-3
Southern Colorado	0-1
Southern Utah	2-0
Southwest Baptist	1-0
Tennessee-Martin	2-3
Texas A&M	0-2
Texas Wesleyan	0-1
Toledo	0-2
Troy State	1-2
Upper Iowa	32-23
Vermont	0-2
Wartburg	76-38
Washburn	0-1
Washington (Missouri)	2-1
Wayne State (Michigan)	1-1
Wayne State (Nebraska)	1-2
Western Illinois	23-41
Western Kentucky	1-1
Western Michigan	1-6
Westmar	2-0
William Penn	5-2
Winona State	4-8
Wisconsin-LaCrosse	12-7
Wisconsin-Milwaukee	10-5
Wisconsin-Oshkosh	2-3
Wisconsin-Platteville	6-3
Wisconsin-River Falls	2-1
Wright State	1-1

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Bold indicates 1998 opponent.

PANTHERS IN THE PROS



Scott Eibey (1994-95) P
1997 Delmarva Shorebirds
South Atlantic League, Class A.

Scott Eibey pitched in 47 games last season for Delmarva, finishing the 1997 season with a 10-4 record and 1.83 ERA, the lowest on the staff.

Eibey threw 93.1 innings, allowing 65 hits, 25 runs and 19 earned runs. He struck out 82, and allowed 33 walks, and saved seven games for the Shorebirds, one of Baltimore's Class A affiliates.

Eibey was an eighth round pick by the Orioles in the 1995 amateur draft.



Brian Jergenson (1994-97) 1B
1997 Idaho Falls Braves
Pioneer League, Rookie.

Brian Jergenson, a 1997 graduate, hit .260 for the Idaho Falls Braves. He ranked among team leaders in RBI, driving in 32 runs on 196 at bats last season.

Jergenson had 34 runs scored on 51 hits, drew 23 walks and stole six bases.

Jergenson played at Northern Iowa from 1994-97, and was a 25th round draft pick for the San Diego Padres in the June, 1997 amateur draft.

He will spend 1998 in Clinton, Iowa, with the Lumber Kings.

A total of 15 former Northern Iowa baseball players have played or are currently playing professional baseball. Ten of those players spent their at least two years playing under Coach Dave Schrage.

Three played at the Major League level, including Steve Dreyer, Duane Josephson and Eddie Watt. Seven others played in the farm system of a major league team, including active players Scott Eibey and Brian Jergenson.

Mark Chambers (1990), OF
Atlanta Braves, 62nd round (1990)

Brad Hames (1991-94), RHP
Huron Heaters (1994), Pioneer League

Craig Fritz (1994-95), OF
Moose Jaw (1995), Prairie League

Mike Irvine (1992-95), RHP
San Diego Padres, 17th round (1995)

Jeff Johannsen (1993-96), LHP
Florida Marlins, Free agent

Brett Lagerblade (1993-95), LHP
Moose Jaw (1995), Prairie League

Tom Owen (1992-95), 3B
Florida Marlins, Free agent

Matt Paulsen (1994-95), C
Moose Jaw (1995), Prairie League

John Pratt (1988-89), OF
Salt Lake City Buzz, Northwest League

Chad Rezac (1992-93), RHP
Mason City Bats

PANTHERS IN THE SHOW ...



Steve Dreyer (1988-90) P
1993-94 Texas Rangers

MLB Career Statistics

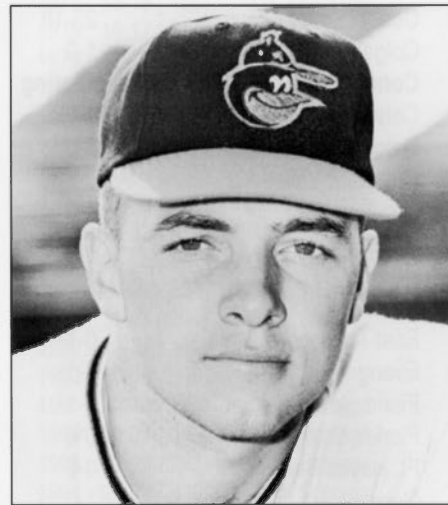
W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	CG	IP	H	BB	K
4-4	5.71	15	9	0	0	58.1	67	28	34



Duane Josephson (1962-64) C/1B
1965-72 Chicago White Sox; Boston Red Sox

MLB Career Statistics

G	Avg.	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO
470	.258	1505	147	388	164	92	174



Eddie Watt (1961) P— 1966-73 Baltimore;
1974 Philadelphia; 1975 Chicago Cubs

MLB Career Statistics

W-L	ERA	G	GS	SV	CG	IP	H	BB	K
38-36	2.90	411	13	80	1	660	530	254	462

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The university prides itself on being a great teaching institution, and most courses are taught by nearly 700 full-time faculty members who are committed to helping students grow intellectually and personally.



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UNI FACILITIES



New Wellness Center/UNI-Dome

NO PLACE LIKE DOME

The UNI-Dome, a unique, multi-purpose athletic facility built in 1976, has gained a reputation as one of the finest collegiate facilities in America.

The Dome combines the features of a fieldhouse, football stadium and large auditorium. It contains accommodations for a variety of events, including concerts, exhibitions, trade shows and conventions, in addition to football, basketball, softball, wrestling and track events. It has hosted the NCAA wrestling championships, football playoffs and gymnastic championships, high school football and basketball, the Iowa high school football playoffs and many other non-athletic events.

The Dome's versatility allows for football or basketball games or track meets to be held on the same day. Underneath the artificial football turf is a synthetic floor area that includes basketball and tennis courts and an eight-lane, 220-yard oval running track.

The baseball team uses the Dome primarily for beginning of the season spring practices. The batting cages are set up in the Dome, and the team is also able to hit fly balls and take a full infield. The only thing the team cannot do in the UNI-Dome is hit live.

The turf was replaced five years ago with a new AstroTurf manufactured by Balsam Corporation, the same material that lasted 16 years prior to the installation of the new. It's a premier surface utilized by every domed facility in the nation with the exception of one. The turf offers the best durability and playability of any material on the market.

Approximately 16,400 spectators can be seated for football games and track meets, and although normal capacity is 10,000 for basketball, seating can be expanded to more than 20,000. For stage productions including concerts, total capacity can reach 25,000.



Weight Room



Training Room

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA



THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA — WHERE GREAT TEACHING MAKES THE DIFFERENCE

The University of Northern Iowa emphasizes outstanding undergraduate education, with complementary graduate programs at the master's, specialist's and doctoral levels.

Building on its historic strength in teacher education, the University has developed a number of outstanding programs in its colleges of Business, education, Humanities and Fine Arts, Natural Sciences, and Social and Behavioral Sciences. UNI also participates in the bachelor of liberal studies program offered by the Regents Universities, and its Division of Continuing Education and Special Programs sponsors classes off-campus in centers throughout the state. Enrollment on its 860-acre campus stands at about 13,000 students from every county in Iowa, 40 states and 48 foreign countries.

UNI's heritage and philosophy place great value on providing a student-centered educational experience. The University nurtures a premiere learning environment — it is small enough to offer its students individualized attention, yet large enough to provide a variety of resources, as well as distinguished faculty. The University prides itself on its reputation as a great teaching school, and most courses are taught by one of more than 600 full-time faculty members who are committed to helping students grow intellectually and personally.

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While maintaining its primary emphasis on teacher education, the University has continued its metamorphosis into a comprehensive institution, with nationally acclaimed programs in many disciplines. UNI's accounting program continues to be ranked among the best in the nation. UNI student groups ranging from chemistry to conservation to public relations have been recognized by their respective national groups for the excellence of the University's programs.

UNI's academic reputation has proven a key factor in its selection to *U.S. News and World Reports* rankings. The school was named among the Midwest's finest institutions. In 1996, UNI was the only public institution among the magazine's top

15 regional universities. UNI received a "1" rating in academic reputation, the highest of any of the top 15 universities in the Midwest region. Other recent issues have named UNI the Midwest's most efficient regional university and first in "best value," as well as an overall "best," "best buy," "up and coming" and "most efficient."

UNI's outreach also extends to the Iowa business community through the College of Business Administration, including the Institute for Decision Making, Small Business Development Center, Small Business Institute, Management and Professional Development Center, Strategic Marketing Services and Business and Community Services. The Iowa Plastics Technology Center and the Center for Applied Research in Metal Casting are among UNI's newest service programs designed to diversify, expand and strengthen Iowa's economy.

In the global arena, UNI's acclaimed Orava Project helps democratize the educational system in the former communist country of Slovakia. As well, student teachers from UNI serve in over 20 countries throughout the world.

UNI offers a wide variety of cultural programs, lectures and conferences. The Continuing Education division, often in conjunction with the University's Office of Conference and Visitor Services, works with business and industry in programs of study and development on the campus.

ADMINISTRATION

Robert Koob, a Northern Iowa alumnus, returned to his alma mater in August, 1995, as its eighth president. A 1962 graduate of then-State College of Iowa, the Iowa State Board of Regents named Koob president on July 1, 1995.

Koob was a senior vice president and vice president for academic affairs at California Poly-San Luis Obispo, Calif., from 1990-1995. Prior to his position at Cal Poly, he served as vice president of academic affairs at North Dakota State from 1985-90 and spent 1987-88 as interim president.

At Cal Poly, Koob was director and chair of the Cal Poly Foundation and served on a number of CSU system committees, including the CSU Commission on Telecommunications Infrastructure.

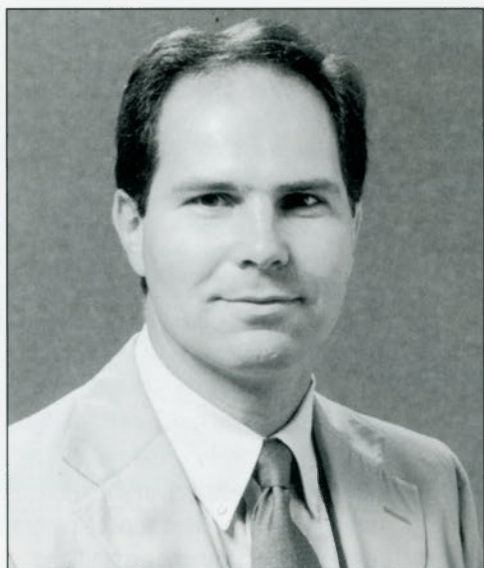
He began his teaching career at North Dakota State in 1967 as an assistant professor of chemistry. He served NDSU in several capacities before assuming the vice presidency, including chair of the chemistry department for six years and acting chair of the department of chemistry, as well as serving as dean of the College of Science and Mathematics from 1981-84.

Koob graduated from SCI with a bachelor's in chemistry and earned his doctorate in chemistry from Kansas in 1967. He and his wife, Yvonne, have seven children.



DR. ROBERT KOOB
UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

CHRISTOPHER RITRIEVI DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS



Christopher Ritrievi is in his sixth year as Northern Iowa's Director of Athletics. A former Division I athlete, Ritrievi earned three varsity letters in wrestling at Princeton University, where he received his bachelor's degree in economics in 1979. He earned his MBA from Lehigh University in 1983.

He started in athletics as a graduate assistant at Lehigh, and served in administrative and coaching positions at the Eastern College Athletic Conference, Bowling Green State, Princeton, Pennsylvania and Stanford, where he was associate athletic director prior to arriving at UNI.

During his UNI tenure, he has reorganized the management of the athletic department to make it more effective and has set priorities to increase the competitiveness of Panther teams.

Ritrievi served as vice president for the MVC athletic directors in 1994-95 and chairs the MVC long-range planning and Gateway Conference finance committees.

Originally from Levittown, Penn., the 40-year old Ritrievi is married to the former Stephanie Homeyer, a native of Wellsburg, Iowa.

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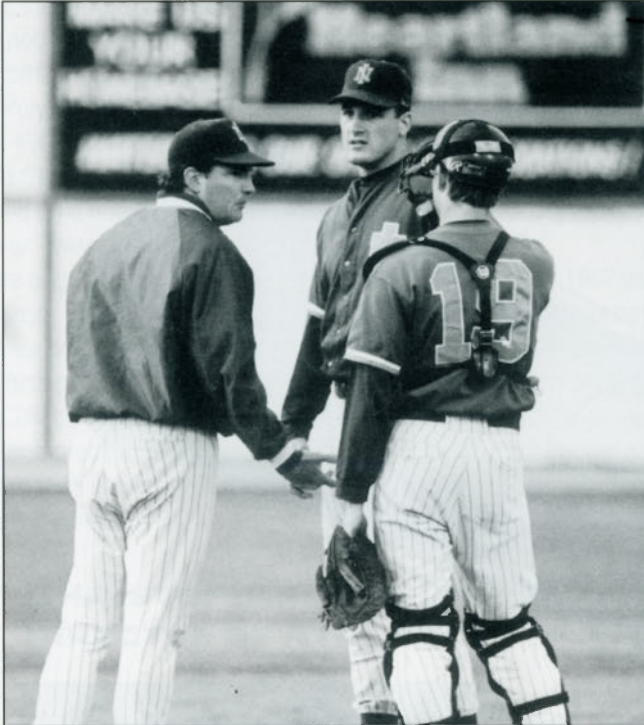


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1997 HONORS

PANTHERS RACK UP POST-SEASON HONORS IN 1997



Dave Schrage, 1997 Missouri Valley Coach of the Year.
Schrage led Northern Iowa to its most successful season on record last year. The Panthers posted records for wins (32) and most victories in a conference campaign (18). Last season marked the second time Schrage was named MVC Coach of the Year in his seven years at UNI, as he also received the honor in 1995.

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ALL-ACADEMIC SELECTIONS

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Outfielder—Greg Woodin

Missouri Valley Conference Academic All-League Teams

First Team

Scott Sobkowiak

Honorable Mention

Greg Woodin

Kevin Briggeman

Josh Ellwanger

1997 ALL-MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

First Team

1B—Brian Jergenson

SP—David Parra

Second Team

OF—Josh Dunham

Honorable Mention

C—Ryan Jacobs

SS—Kevin Sawatzky

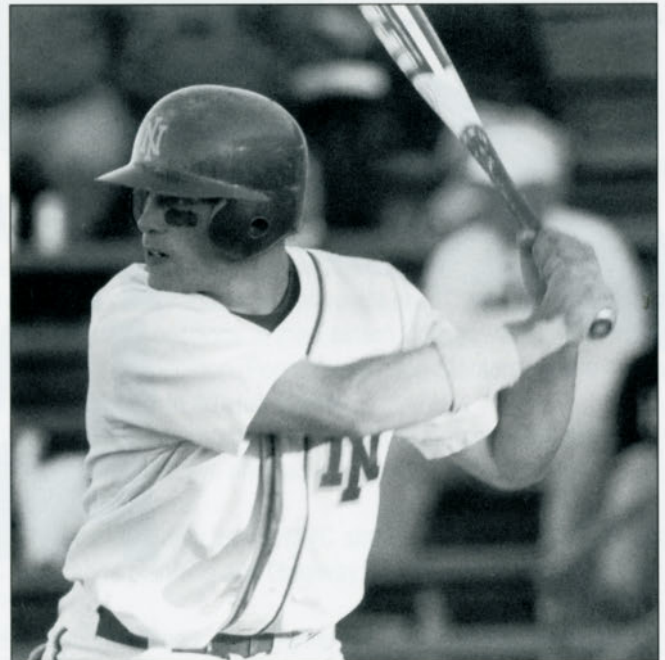
OF—Scott Schirmer

DH—Brian Kegler

SP—Steve Beard

SP—Scott Sobkowiak

1997 Missouri Valley Coach of the Year—Dave Schrage
1997 Missouri Valley Player of the Year—Brian Jergenson



Brian Jergenson, 1997 Missouri Valley Player of the Year.

Jergenson had a tremendous senior season for the Panthers, claiming three career-best records at UNI and launching himself into the top five in eight different season-high categories. He batted .374 in 54 games with UNI in 1997, with 73 hits, 14 home runs and drove in 66. Jergenson was drafted by the San Diego Padres organization in June 1997. He was a 25th round selection, and spent the summer with Idaho Falls of the Pioneer League. Jergenson was also named to the American Baseball Coaches Association All-Midwest Second Team.

Season and Career Records set in 1997

Official At Bats

214 Todd Rima

Runs Batted In

66 Brian Jergenson

Total Home Runs

64

Strikeouts (Pitching)

94 Scott Sobkowiak

Wins

32

Team SO (pitching)

440 Total

Career GP Leader

202 Kevin Sawatzky

Career Hits Leader

208 Brian Jergenson

Career Doubles Leader

39 Todd Rima

Career Strikeouts Leader

247 Steve Beard

WATERLOO RIVERFRONT STADIUM

The Panthers have played all their home games at Waterloo Riverfront Stadium since 1993. A 10-minute drive from the Northern Iowa campus, Riverfront was built in 1948 for the Class A Chicago White Sox affiliate, the Waterloo White Hawks. The facility also housed affiliates of the Cincinnati Reds, Boston Red Sox, Cleveland Indians and San Diego Padres.

Seating capacity is 4,277, with distances to the double-decked outfield fence measuring 335 down the left- and rightfield lines, 360 in the power alleys and 390 to centerfield.

Recent improvements include a new lighting system, major renovations to the field and press box and remodeling of the grandstands and clubhouses.

The press box provides ample seating for newspapers and radio stations, in addition to a deck to accommodate television.



Waterloo Riverfront Stadium.

COACH DAVE SCHRAGE ON WATERLOO RIVERFRONT STADIUM:

"We have a good agreement with the City of Waterloo and the Waterloo Bucks. Waterloo Riverfront Stadium is an older ballpark with some character, but we've made improvements every year.

"We put in new box seats last year, the press box has been improved, the lights are new, the wall has been redone within the last few years, and

we redid the infield. There have been constant improvements made since we moved in 1993.

"I think it's a nice ballpark for atmosphere. If we move our home season back and don't play when it's 40 degrees, we'll draw people. The community here is very supportive of baseball, and we can draw a couple thousand fans on a good night."



Home of the Panthers

DIRECTIONS TO WATERLOO RIVERFRONT STADIUM

From Cedar Falls: Follow Hudson Road, the street that runs north and south along the UNI-Dome, north to First Street.

At First Street, turn right, and take that street out of town. First Street turns into Highway 218. Exit 218 on Ansborough. Continue straight.

At the second stoplight, turn left on to Conger Street. Go left to the stop sign, and turn right onto Burton Avenue.

The stadium will be on your left.

From Waterloo: Follow Highway 20 to 380/218 North. Take 218 North to the Downtown turnoff. At Fourth Street, turn right, and continue through downtown Waterloo to Franklin Street.

On Franklin, which turns into Broadway, turn left and continue until Park Road. There will be a Kentucky Fried Chicken on your right.

At the stoplight, turn left on Park Rd. Follow Park Rd. for about one-half to three-quarters of a mile, going past the cemetery. The stadium will be on your right.

Northern Iowa Baseball 1998

Feb.	19-22	Oakland A's Tournament	
	20	vs. Grand Canyon	2 p.m.
	21	vs. Cal State-Northridge	2 p.m.
	22	vs. Nevada	10 a.m.
	27	at Tennessee-Martin	1 p.m.
	28	at Tennessee-Martin (DH)	Noon
Mar.	1	at Tennessee-Martin	1 p.m.
	3	at Oklahoma State	3 p.m.
	4	at Oklahoma State	3 p.m.
	10	at Nebraska	3 p.m.
	13-18	Homestead Challenge, Homestead, FL	
	13	vs. TBA	1:15 p.m.
	14	vs. Duquesne	9:15 a.m.
	15	vs. Indiana	1 p.m.
	16	vs. Marist	9:15 a.m.
	17	vs. Liberty	1 p.m.
	18	vs. Connecticut	9 a.m.
	20	at Indiana State*	3 p.m.
	21	at Indiana State (DH)*	1 p.m.
	22	at Indiana State*	1 p.m.
	24	at Minnesota (H.H.H. Metrodome)	1:30 p.m.
	25	WARTBURG	2 p.m.
	27	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	2 p.m.
	28	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (DH)*	Noon
	29	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	1 p.m.
	31	ST. AMBROSE	3 p.m.
Apr.	1	MINNESOTA	3 p.m.
	4	at Bradley (DH)*	1 p.m.
	5	at Bradley (DH)*	1 p.m.
	7	at Iowa	2 p.m.
	8	CREIGHTON (DH)*	2 p.m.
	11	SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE (DH)*	1 p.m.
	12	SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE (DH)*	Noon
	14	IOWA STATE	6 p.m.
	15	NEBRASKA	6 p.m.
	17	at Illinois State*	7 p.m.
	18	at Illinois State (DH)*	3 p.m.
	19	at Illinois State*	1 p.m.
	21	Morningside	5:30 p.m.
	22	at Creighton (DH)*	2 p.m.
	24	EVANSVILLE*	7 p.m.
	25	EVANSVILLE (DH)*	4 p.m.
	26	EVANSVILLE	1 p.m.
	28	IOWA	6 p.m.
	29	at Iowa State (Sec Taylor Stadium, Des Moines)	6 p.m.
May	1-3	UNI CLASSIC, Waterloo, IA	
	1	St. Andrews vs. St. Ambrose	noon
		St. Ambrose vs. Wayne State	3 p.m.
		ST. ANDREWS	7 p.m.
	2	Wayne St. vs. St. Andrews	10 a.m.
		St. Ambrose vs. Wright St.	1 p.m.
		WAYNE ST.	4 p.m.
		WRIGHT ST.	7 p.m.
	3	WRIGHT ST.	noon
		Wright St. vs. St. Ambrose	2:30 p.m.
		St. Andrews vs. St. Ambrose	3 p.m.
	8	at Wichita State*	7 p.m.
	9	at Wichita State (DH)*	2 p.m.
	10	at Wichita State*	1 p.m.
	13-16	Missouri Valley Tournament	Evansville, IND

* indicates a Missouri Valley Conference Game