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PLEASE TYPE THIS FORM! Please complete the following information for the preview in the NAIA NEWS. Please return no later than **February 19, 1988** to: Mary Beth Brutton, NAIA, 1221 Baltimore Ave., Kansas City, Missouri 64105.

INSTITUTION Cedarville College LOCATION Cedarville, Ohio

1987 RECORD 18-14 FINISH IN 1987 NAIA POSTSEASON COMPETITION n/a

NICKNAME Yellow Jackets HEAD COACH Dan Coomes

NUMBER OF RETURNING LETTERMEN FOR 1988 SEASON 8 RETURNING STARTERS FOR 1988 5

TOP RETURNING PLAYERS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>POS.</u>	<u>AVG.</u>	<u>ATHLETIC HONORS/COMMENTS</u>
<u>Dan Erlandson</u>	<u>SR</u>	<u>P-IF</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>3-5, 2.39 era</u>
<u>Ken Horton</u>	<u>SR</u>	<u>OF</u>	<u>.381</u>	
<u>Brian Marburger</u>	<u>SR</u>	<u>IF</u>	<u>.233</u>	<u>4 HR, 22 rbi</u>

TOP NEWCOMERS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>POS.</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
<u>Gary Dankworth</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>IF</u>	<u>Transfer from Youngstown State Univ.</u>
<u>Adam Winters</u>	<u>JR</u>	<u>P-IF</u>	<u>Transfer from Liberty University</u>
<u>Todd Clemens</u>	<u>FR</u>	<u>IF</u>	

SIGNIFICANT LOSSES:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POS.</u>	<u>AVG.</u>	<u>REASON LOST (GRAD, TRANSFER, ETC.)</u>
<u>Steve Hester</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>----</u>	<u>Drafted 13th rd. by Cinn. Reds</u>
<u>Finny Rajchel</u>	<u>IF</u>		<u>Graduation</u>
<u>Tom Pratt</u>	<u>P-IF</u>		<u>Graduation</u>

Below or on the back of this sheet please give a brief outlook for your team in 1988 indicating strengths, weaknesses and overall analysis of the players. Include a head and shoulder photo of the head coach and a top player if available (please label back of pictures with name, sport and institution). Return this form to Mary Beth Brutton, NAIA department of communications. **DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 19, 1988.**

1988 Season Outlook

Cedarville will have to overcome a lack of depth in pitching plus inexperience at other positions if they hope to have a winning season this spring. Good team play and solid defense will be strengths.

Senior Dan Erlandson (3-5, 2.39 ERA) and sophomore Shane Hardy (3-2, 3.06 ERA) will have to anchor the pitching staff. The group of hurlers was weakened last spring when outstanding freshman Steve Hester (6-2, 3.66 ERA) was drafted in the 13th round by the Cincinnati Reds.