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The Cedarville College Athletic Center will be the site for the 1985 NCCAA National Women's Basketball Tournament this week. Play will begin on Thursday afternoon and the twelve-game schedule will run through to the championship contest on Saturday night. Four games will played during each of the three sessions with game times set for 2, 4, 6, and 8 p.m. daily.

The two o'clock opener on Thursday will feature the defending champion in third-seeded Huntington College of Indiana. The 18-9 Lady Foresters will square off with number six Lee (TN) College which is 16-13 on the year. At four o'clock, Eastern Mennonite (VA) College, which sports the tourney's best record at 21-2 and is seeded second, will meet seventh-seeded Trinity (IL) College and its 12-14 mark.

The evening card at six o'clock will begin with a couple of clubs that have already experienced 20-win seasons. Number four Spring Arbor (MI) College is 23-7 on the year and the Lady Cougars must meet 22-10 and fifth-seeded Azusa Pacific University from California. Spring Arbor was the national champion two years ago and the runner-up last year.

Thursday's final game at eight has host 5-19 Cedarville College taking on top-seeded John Brown University. The Lady Eagles from Arkansas are 19-8 on the year.

Cedarville coach and tournament director Dr. Karól Hunt is happy with the field that will be participating. "The tourney is well-represented from a geographical

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standpoint as we have schools coming in from all over the country," stated Hunt. "There will be some good ball clubs here this weekend and I expect an exciting tournament."

As for her own Yellow Jacket squad, Hunt is a little more optimistic than one might think. "We could pull off some surprises here at the nationals," she proclaimed. "We have played very well at home as of late and the thrill of competing in a national tournament could bring out the best in our players."

Cedarville has been led by 5-7 senior guard Jewel Schroder who averages 13.3 points a game. Junior forward Karen Headdings hits for 11.1 points a contest while Beth Goldsmith, another junior forward, averages 10.0 points and 10.4 rebounds per game.

Tickets at the door per day will be \$3 for adults and \$2 for students up through college. Tournament passes, which are valid for all three sessions, may also be purchased for \$5 for adults and \$3 for students up through college. Children 10 years of age and under will be admitted free throughout the tournament.