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CEDARVILLE COLLEGE



Women's

SOFTBALL

1999



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1999 Schedule

March 15	at Athens State University	3:00
March 17	at Faulkner University	1:00
March 19-20	at University of Mobile Invitational	
March 19	Houston Baptist University	9:00
March 19	University of Mobile	1:00
March 19	Faulkner University	7:00
March 20	Double-Elimination Tournament	TBA
March 27	at College of Mount St. Joseph	1:00
March 30	at Urbana University*	3:00
April 1	at Mount Vernon Nazarene College*	3:00
April 3	OHIO DOMINICAN COLLEGE*	1:00
April 6	UNIVERSITY of RIO GRANDE*	3:00
April 7	at Saint Vincent College*	3:00
April 10	at Tiffin University*	1:00
April 13	at Wittenberg University	3:00
April 15	at Malone College*	3:00
April 17	GENEVA COLLEGE*	3:00
April 20	WALSH UNIVERSITY*	3:00
April 22	SHAWNEE STATE UNIVERSITY*	3:00
April 23-24	NCCAA Midwest Regional at Concordia, MI	TBA
April 27	NOTRE DAME COLLEGE of OHIO*	3:00
May 1	TAYLOR UNIVERSITY	1:00
May 6-7	AMC Tournament (at Portsmouth, OH)	TBA

*American Mideast Conference Games

All home games played at Cedarville Community Park

All dates, except tournaments, are doubleheaders

All starting times local time

On the Cover

NAIA and NCCAA All-America Scholar-Athlete Bonnie Schaefer, a senior from Winston-Salem, NC, is a three-year letter winner for the Lady Jackets.

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Enrollment2,650
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ConferenceAmerican Midwest Conference
AMC Homepage www.amcsports.org
NicknameYellow Jackets
ColorsBlue and Yellow
College Switchboard766-2211
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Cedarville College

Cedarville College is a Baptist college of arts and sciences of 2,650 students. The school is located on a 300-acre campus at the north edge of the village of Cedarville, Ohio, a quiet town with a population of approximately 3,000. The village and its surrounding area have long maintained a reputation for providing a wholesome environment for learning.



Though located in a rural community, Cedarville is conveniently situated in the center of a triangle formed by Columbus, Dayton, and Cincinnati, which allows easy access to three of the fastest-growing metropolitan areas in the nation.

Founded in 1887 by the Reformed Presbyterian Church, the college was established by individuals who had a vital interest in the spiritual welfare of young people. In 1953, the operation of the college was transferred to the trustees of Baptist Bible Institute of Cleveland with the goal of enlarging the Institute's ministry. The name, Cedarville College, was retained and the school continues to perpetuate the original purpose of its founders. The school motto, "...for the Word of God and testimony of Jesus Christ," reflects this commitment.

Since its founding, Cedarville has coupled a balanced liberal arts program with a fundamentalist, theological position in regard to doctrine and patterns of conduct. All classes are taught by dedicated Christian professors who integrate the knowledge of their respective fields with Biblical perspectives.

In keeping with the liberal arts concept, the curriculum centers on a basic program of general studies, including biblical education, communications, humanities, physical education, science and mathematics, and social science. Students choose a major field of concentrated study related to their abilities, interests, and career goals. The college offers over 90 programs of study leading to a baccalaureate degree.

The College recognizes that students must live and work in a society where computers and computer networks are an essential part of everyday life. To equip students to function effectively in this environment, Cedarville has launched CedarNet, the award-winning campus-wide computer information network. CedarNet, which allows access to Internet, WWW and OhioLINK, links computers in every dorm room and office on campus.

Cedarville views individual ministry involvement to be a vital and necessary part of each student's education and personal growth. The Christian Ministries Division provides training and assistance to the hundreds of students who volunteer for any of the more than 100 different ministries each quarter.

Cedarville attracts students from 47 states and nearly 65 percent of the student body comes from out of state which includes more than 30 international students.

Residence hall living is considered an integral part of the educational process with approximately 80 percent of the student body residing on campus in college housing.

Dr. Paul Dixon, President

Dr. Paul Dixon is a graduate of Tennessee Temple University and Temple Baptist Theological Seminary. In 1986 he received his doctorate in higher education from the University of Cincinnati. He is the recipient of two honorary degrees: the Doctor of Divinity from his alma mater and Doctor of Laws from Liberty University.



After 14 years in an evangelistic ministry, Dr. Dixon became the president of Cedarville College in 1978. Under his administration, the College's enrollment has grown over 90 percent, with 2,650 students in fall 1998.

For more than 20 years, Dr. Dixon has been a popular speaker for professional sports chapel programs including the Cincinnati Reds and Bengals and many of the National League baseball and NFL teams.

Mrs. Dixon, the former Pat Landers of Chattanooga, Tennessee, serves as the Assistant to the President for Institutional Enhancement. She is Professor Emerita in the Department of Language and Literature Department where she taught for 25 years before retiring in 1996.

The Dixons have one son, Scott, who is an assistant professor of Bible at the College. He and his wife, Sara, have five children and reside in Springfield.

Psalm 37:23 has been a challenge for Dr. and Mrs. Dixon since their marriage in 1960: "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord, and he delighteth in his way."

Dr. Don Callan, Dean School of Health and Human Performance

Dr. Don Callan begins his 39th year at Cedarville College where he has served in various capacities in athletics. His most recent promotion was being named the first Dean of the School of Health and Human Performance. He is responsible for the Department of Exercise and Sport Science, Athletic Department, and Athletic Training.



At one time, Callan jointly held the positions of athletic director, head men's basketball coach, and department chair. He was the school's athletic director from 1961 through 1997 in which Cedarville went from offering just a couple sports to 14 varsity programs.

Callan served as head men's basketball coach from 1960 through 1995. Upon completing his legendary career, he was the NAIA's third winningest active coach and ranked 19th all-time with 579 victories.

Callan is a member of the Halls of Fame at the NAIA, NCCAA, Cedarville College, and Taylor University, his alma mater. He received the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award presented by the Agonis Club of Dayton, Ohio in 1996 for his longtime commitment and contribution to athletics in the state of Ohio.

Callan is founder of the Missions Involvement Service at Cedarville College. He has been especially committed to worldwide sports evangelism for four decades.

Dr. Callan is a 1955 graduate of Taylor University. He received his master's degree from Ball State University in 1960, and his Ph.D. in physical education from The Ohio State University in 1968.

Dr. Callan and his wife, Nedra, reside in Cedarville and have two married children. A daughter, Jan Leach, and her husband, Mark, reside in Fairfield, Ohio with their two children. The Callan's also have a son, Jon David, who lives in Wilmington, Ohio with his wife, Karen, and their two children.

Pete Reese, Athletic Director



Pete Reese begins his 11th year at Cedarville College and on July 1, 1998 was promoted to the office of athletic director where he oversees 14 varsity Yellow Jacket sports. He brings over 30 years of athletic administration to the program.

Reese previously held the positions of assistant men's basketball coach and Director of Athletic Facilities at Cedarville. Among his many responsibilities, he guided the construction of new complexes for soccer, baseball, and softball.

Reese was Cedarville's head baseball coach from 1989 to 1991. He was named the 1990 NAIA District 22 and Mid-Ohio Conference Coach of the Year after leading the Yellow Jackets to their first MOC title in 20 years and the top seed in the district tournament.

From 1965 to 1988, Reese was associated with The Master's College in California, formerly known as Los Angeles Baptist College. At one time or another he held positions as athletic director, chairman of the physical education department, professor, and coach.

Reese is a 1960 graduate of Cedarville College and has a master's degree in education from Eastern Michigan University. He established himself as one of the most dominant basketball players to ever play for the Yellow Jackets and he was inducted as a charter member of the Cedarville College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1984.

Pete and his wife, Joyce, live in Xenia and have two married children. A daughter, Kim Ray, and her husband, Ken, reside in San Jose, California. Their son Chris, a 1989 Cedarville graduate, is presently athletic director and head basketball coach at Multnomah Bible College in Oregon. He and his wife, Cheryl, have two children.



Becky Summers

Jim Irish, Head Coach



Jim Irish is in his first year at Cedarville College as head women's softball coach. He is also part of the school's Athletic Facilities Staff.

Irish spent the past 11 years at Heritage Christian Schools in Milwaukee, Wisconsin where he was a teacher and coach. He started the school's varsity baseball program in 1986 and coached through 1994 before switching his attention to girls' softball from 1995 through 1998.

Irish taught Physical Education at Heritage Christian, developed the school's driver education program, and developed and taught a Home Repair program. He also served as the middle school athletic director.

Jim and his wife, Cheryl, who is an assistant professor in the Education Department at Cedarville College, have three children and reside in Xenia. They have a daughter, Kelli, 20, who is attending Grace College in Indiana; another daughter, Jenni, 18, who is a freshman at Cornerstone College in Michigan; and a son, Jimmy, 16, who is a sophomore at Xenia Christian High School.



Casey Wood, Assistant Coach



Casey Wood begins his second season as an assistant coach in the Yellow Jacket softball program. He served as an assistant men's basketball coach on the Cedarville staff from 1991 through 1995.

Wood is in his sixth year of teaching at Southeastern High School in South Charleston where he chairs the Social Studies Department. He was a member of the Trojans' coaching staff as head girls track coach for four years, head cross country coach for one year, and assistant boys basketball coach for three years.

Wood is a 1993 graduate of Cedarville College. He earned a master's degree from the University of Cincinnati in Curriculum and Instruction in 1998. He plans on completing work on another master's from UC in Education Administration in 1999.

Casey and his wife, Michelle, who is also a Cedarville College graduate and serves as an Instructor of English in the Language and Literature Department, reside in Cedarville.





1999 Cedarville College Softball



(Kneeling l-r) Kelly Killian, Robyn Pitman, Sarah Bishop, Beth Weaver, Noella Fisher, Jill Butz, Elissa Morrison. (Standing l-r) Head Coach Jim Irish, Becky Summers, Becky Kozlowski, Lindsay Ulrich, Stephanie Gillett, Anna Bolser, Debbie Krick, Bonnie Schaefer, Student Assistant Julie Schaefer.

1999 Season Outlook

The Cedarville College women's softball program continues its process of rebuilding under first-year head coach Jim Irish. Another young squad will take to the field as only two seniors and one junior are on the 13-player roster.

"We are really looking forward to the challenge," Irish remarked. "The women are upbeat and have worked hard since the outset of practice. I believe we can hit the ball pretty well and I expect the defense to be solid even though we're young."

Bonnie Schaefer is the team's most experienced player. The senior has appeared in 74 games, including 34 contests as a pitcher, during her previous three seasons. She has performed on the field, as evidenced by her .274 career batting average, and in the classroom as an NAIA and NCCAA All-America Scholar-Athlete.

The only other senior is outfielder Noella Fisher. She started all 25 games last season and had her best year at the plate two years ago when she hit .360.

The lone junior is infielder Becky Summers. She has started all 56 games over the past two seasons primarily at shortstop where she led the team in assists last spring with 63. Summers walked a team-high 15 times, but her batting average took a dip after hitting at a .300 clip during her rookie season.

Sophomores Sarah Bishop, Elissa Morrison, and Beth Weaver all saw significant action during their first seasons in the program. As a matter of fact, Morrison, who registered a team-high .990 fielding percentage at second base, and Weaver, who batted .278 with a team-best 13 RBI's, started in all 25 games. Bishop started all 24 games she appeared in as an outfielder.

The Jackets schedule remains demanding especially in the American Midwest Conference which includes seven-time defending champion and perennial NAIA power Shawnee State. Cedarville will also play in the University of Mobile Invitational in Alabama which features some of the top teams in the NAIA.

The Yellow Jackets are looking forward to moving into their new softball home on the north end of campus as soon as construction is completed. The venue includes a Diamond Pro skin infield, a natural turf outfield, and a 10-foot warning track leading up to an eight-foot high wooden fence. The site includes 40-foot long dugouts, a press box, electronic scoreboard, and seating for 500 people. The entire field has drainage and it includes an automatic irrigation system.

1999 Softball Roster



Numerical

No	Player	Pos	Ht	Yr	T-B	Hometown	High School
7	Kelly Killian	IF	5-6	So	R-R	Birdsboro, PA	High Point Baptist
8	Elissa Morrison	IF	5-5	So	R-R	Lodi, OH	Cloverleaf
9	Noella Fisher	OF	5-6	Sr	R-R	Buellton, CA	Santa Ynez
10	Beth Weaver	IF	5-6	So	R-R	Avon, OH	Avon
11	Becky Summers	C	5-6	Jr	R-R	Elizabethtown, PA	Mt. Calvary Christian
12	Anna Bolser	P	5-5	Fr	R-R	Hamilton, OH	Talawanda
14	Jill Butz	OF	5-6	Fr	R-R	LaRue, OH	Elgin
15	Robyn Pitman	P	5-7	Fr	R-R	Taylor, MI	Light and Life Christian
17	Bonnie Schaefer	IF/P	5-4	Sr	R-R	Winston-Salem, NC	Carver
18	Lindsay Ulrich	IF/C	5-5	Fr	R-R	Robesonia, PA	Conrad Weiser
21	Debbie Krick	IF	5-9	Fr	R-R	Jersey Shore, PA	Walnut Street Christian
23	Sarah Bishop	OF/C	5-4	So	R-R	Kalamazoo, MI	Heritage Christian
34	Becky Kozlowski	OF	5-4	Jr	R-R	Hamilton Square, NJ	Hamilton East

Alphabetical

No	Player	Pos	Ht	Yr	T-B	Hometown	High School
23	Sarah Bishop	OF/C	5-4	So	R-R	Kalamazoo, MI	Heritage Christian
12	Anna Bolser	P	5-5	Fr	R-R	Hamilton, OH	Talawanda
14	Jill Butz	OF	5-6	Fr	R-R	LaRue, OH	Elgin
9	Noella Fisher	OF	5-6	Sr	R-R	Buellton, CA	Santa Ynez
7	Kelly Killian	IF	5-6	So	R-R	Birdsboro, PA	High Point Baptist
34	Becky Kozlowski	OF	5-4	Jr	R-R	Hamilton Square, NJ	Hamilton East
21	Debbie Krick	IF	5-9	Fr	R-R	Jersey Shore, PA	Walnut Street Christian
8	Elissa Morrison	IF	5-5	So	R-R	Lodi, OH	Cloverleaf
15	Robyn Pitman	P	5-7	Fr	R-R	Taylor, MI	Light and Life Christian
17	Bonnie Schaefer	IF/P	5-4	Sr	R-R	Winston-Salem, NC	Carver
11	Becky Summers	C	5-6	Jr	R-R	Elizabethtown, PA	Mt. Calvary Christian
18	Lindsay Ulrich	IF/C	5-5	Fr	R-R	Robesonia, PA	Conrad Weiser
10	Beth Weaver	IF	5-6	So	R-R	Avon, OH	Avon

Head Coach: Jim Irish
 Assistant Coach: Casey Wood
 Student Assistant: Julie Schaefer
 Manager: Annie Miller

Pronunciation Guide

Butz	BOOTS
Schaefer	SHAYfur
Ulrich	UL-rick

Breakdown by State

Ohio	4
Pennsylvania	4
Michigan	2
California	1
New Jersey	1
North Carolina	1

Breakdown by Year

Seniors	2
Juniors	2
Sophomores	4
Freshmen	5



Sarah Bishop



Elissa Morrison



Player Profiles



#17 Bonnie Schaefer 5-4, Senior, IF/P, Winston-Salem, NC

Bonnie Schaefer returns for her fourth season in the Lady Jacket program and is one of only two seniors on the squad.....Has appeared in 74 games with 46 starts and sports a .274 career batting average.....Ranked second on the team with a .297 average last year with 19 hits in 64 at bats.....Had five two-hit games including victories over Mount Vernon Nazarene and Urbana.....Struck out only twice, walked seven times, and tied for second in doubles with five.....Batted .255 as a sophomore and .250 as a freshman.....Has pitched in 34 career games with 33 starts, 26 complete games, and a 4.45 earned run average.....Hurled 127.1 out of 157 innings last year with 19 complete games and a 4.01 ERA.....Picked up both wins of a doubleheader sweep over Wittenberg in



the season finale.

Personal - Schaefer played four seasons each of volleyball, basketball, and softball at Carver High School.....Four-year letter winner in softball and was a member of a conference championship team her junior and senior years.....All-conference selection her final two years.....National Honor Society member who graduated fourth in her class.....Dean's Honor List student at Cedarville College as a Bible major.....NAIA and NCCAA All-America Scholar-Athlete in 1998.....Born 10/11/77.....Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schaefer.....Has three older sisters and a younger brother.....Older sister, Julie, played for the Lady Jackets in 1997 and 1998, and now serves as a student assistant coach.



#9 Noella Fisher 5-6, Senior, OF, Buellton, CA

Noella Fisher is back for her fourth season with the Yellow Jackets and is one of only two seniors on the club.....Has earned two letters with 46 career games played and 41 starts mainly in the outfield.....A .278 career hitter whose best season came as a sophomore in 1997 when she ranked second on the team with a .360 batting average.....Started all 25 games as a junior and tied for the team lead with five doubles.....Batted .232 a year ago with 19 hits in a team-high 82 at bats from the second and third spots in the order.....Had five multi-hit games including a 3-for-3 showing with a double and triple versus Urbana.



Personal - Fisher earned three letters in softball at Santa Ynez Valley Union High School.....All-conference second team selection for one season and honorable mention in another.....National Honor Society member.....Dean's List student at Cedarville College as an International Studies major.....Intends on becoming a missionary.....Born 12/16/77.....Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Fisher.....Has one older sister and two younger brothers.....Older sister, Jennifer, played for the Lady Jackets in 1995 and 1996.



#11 Becky Summers

5-6, Junior, C, Elizabethtown, PA

Becky Summers has started all 56 games during her first two years in the program primarily at shortstop.....Will be moved to the catcher position this spring.....A .238 career hitter who struggled with a .153 average as a sophomore and was mainly used in the leadoff spot.....Led the team with 15 walks and ranked second with 12 runs scored.....Recorded a team-high 63 assists in the field.....Rated second on the team as a freshman with a .300 average on 30 hits in a team-high 100 at bats.....Earned four letters each in softball and basketball, and three letters in field hockey at Mt. Calvary Christian High School.....Three-time all-conference first team selection in softball while posting a .600 batting average.....Named school's Female Athlete of the Year as a senior.....National Honor Society member.....Dean's Honor List student at Cedarville College as a Physical Education major.....Born 3/3/77.....Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Summers.....Has one older sister and a younger brother.



#23 Sarah Bishop

5-4, Sophomore, OF/C, Kalamazoo, MI

Sarah Bishop is one of six returning players on the Lady Jacket roster and one of three sophomores.....Started all 24 games in which she played as a freshman.....Batted .210 from the bottom third of the order with 13 hits in 62 at bats.....Went 3-for-3 at the plate in an 8-2 victory over Urbana.....Earned eight letters in volleyball and basketball at Heritage Christian High School and played summer league softball.....Carries a Social Work major at Cedarville College and intends on pursuing a career as a case worker.....Born 4/27/79.....Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greg Bishop.....Has one younger sister and a younger brother.



#8 Elissa Morrison

5-5, Sophomore, IF, Lodi, OH

Elissa Morrison started all 25 games at second base during her freshman season.....Posted a team-high .990 fielding percentage with just one error out of 105 chances.....Batted .235 with 16 hits in 68 at bats.....Four multi-hit games with a 4-for-7 effort in a doubleheader sweep over Wittenberg.....Earned three letters in softball, two in basketball, and one in volleyball at Cloverleaf High School.....Voted team MVP in both basketball and softball.....Named softball squad's best defensive player three straight years.....Named to the all-conference first team and to the All-Medina County Team.....Batted a career-high .393 as a junior.....National Honor Society member.....Dean's Honor List student at Cedarville College as an Elementary Education major.....Born 11/23/78.....Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Morrison.....Has two younger brothers and a younger sister.



#10 Beth Weaver

5-6, Sophomore, IF, Avon, OH

Beth Weaver started all 25 games, primarily at third base, during her rookie season.....Ranked third on the team in hitting with a .278 batting average on 20 hits in 72 at bats.....Drove in a team-high 13 runs.....Four multi-hit contests with a 3-for-4 game against Ohio Dominican.....Singled in her first collegiate at bat.....Four-sport athlete at Avon High School with four letters in softball and five others total in volleyball, basketball, and soccer.....Starter in all four sports as a junior.....Voted school's Female Athlete of the Year as a senior.....Selected team MVP in softball her final season while being named to the all-conference and All-Lorain County first teams.....National Honor Society member.....Dean's List student at Cedarville College as an Athletic Training major.....Born 5/29/79.....Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Weaver.....Has two brothers, one older and one younger.





American Midwest Conference

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Cedarville College

"Yellow Jackets"

Cedarville, OH

Enrollment: 2,650

Head Coach: Jim Irish

1998 Record: 4-21 (1-15 MOC, 9th)



Geneva College

"Golden Tornadoes"

Beaver Falls, PA

Enrollment: 1,848

Head Coach: Chelle Fuss

1998 Record: 11-10

Series: First Meeting

April 17 at Cedarville, 3:00 p.m.



Malone College

"Pioneers"

Canton, OH

Enrollment: 2,200

Head Coach: Barb Easlick

1998 Record: 22-18 (8-8 MOC, tie 4th)

Series: Cedarville leads, 7-6

April 15 at Malone, 3:00 p.m.



Mount Vernon Nazarene College

"Cougars"

Mount Vernon, OH

Enrollment: 1,800

Head Coach: Jeana Howald

1998 Record: 20-16 (6-10 MOC, tie 7th)

Series: MVNC leads, 22-7-1

April 1 at MVNC, 3:00 p.m.



Notre Dame College of Ohio

"Blue Falcons"

South Euclid, OH

Enrollment: 644

Head Coach: Valerie Kepner

1998 Record: 9-21

Series: First Meeting

April 27 at Cedarville, 3:00 p.m.



Ohio Dominican College

"Panthers"

Columbus, OH

Enrollment: 1,949

Head Coach: Marcella Vanlandingham

1998 Record: 25-28 (7-9 MOC, 6th)

Series: Ohio Dominican leads, 17-7

April 3 at Cedarville, 1:00 p.m.



University of Rio Grande

"Redwomen"

Rio Grande, OH

Enrollment: 2,000

Head Coach: Staci Woodyard

1998 Record: 20-10 (9-7 MOC, 3rd)

Series: Rio Grande leads, 8-7

April 6 at Cedarville, 3:00 p.m.



Saint Vincent College

"Bearcats"

Latrobe, PA

Enrollment: 1,200

Head Coach: Kristen Zawacki

1998 Record: 4-10

Series: First Meeting

April 7 at Saint Vincent, 3:00 p.m.



Shawnee State University

"Bears"

Portsmouth, OH

Enrollment: 3,505

Head Coach: Ralph Cole

1998 Record: 38-10 (15-1 MOC, 1st)

Series: Shawnee State leads, 18-1

April 22 at Cedarville, 3:00 p.m.



Tiffin University

"Dragons"

Tiffin, OH

Enrollment: 1,300

Head Coach: Ron Schumacher

1998 Record: 17-23 (6-10 MOC, tie 7th)

Series: Tiffin leads, 20-14

April 10 at Tiffin, 1:00 p.m.



Urbana University

"Blue Knights"

Urbana, OH

Enrollment: 900

Head Coach: Rob Phillips

1998 Record: 18-11 (8-8 MOC, tie 4th)

Series: Cedarville leads, 21-20

March 30 at Urbana, 3:00 p.m.



Walsh University

"Cavaliers"

North Canton, OH

Enrollment: 1,536

Head Coach: Ed Vargo

1998 Record: 37-12 (12-4 MOC, 2nd)

Series: Walsh leads, 9-5

April 20 at Cedarville, 3:00 p.m.



NOTE: 1998 Mid-Ohio Conference record listed in parentheses



Maria Lattanzio

The Cedarville College women's softball team labored to a 4-21 record overall and a 1-15 mark in Mid-Ohio Conference play during the 1998 season. Only ten players dotted the roster and eight of those started all 25 games.

Freshman outfielder Maria Lattanzio posted a .413 batting average to rank among the Mid-Ohio Conference leaders. She became only the sixth player in school history to hit .400 or better in a single season.

Lattanzio was first on the team in at bats (75), hits (31), runs scored (13), doubles (5), triples (2), home runs (1), and slugging percentage (.573). She was an honorable mention pick in the MOC.

Bonnie Schaefer, a junior, was the team's number two hitter with a .297 average which included a team-low two strikeouts in 64 at bats. The righthander was forced to pitch 127 1/3 innings out of a total of 157 due to injuries to the rest of the pitching staff. She had 19 complete games with a respectable 4.01 earned run average.

Behind the plate for every inning as catcher was Bonnie's older sister, Julie, who batted .246 during her senior season. The Schaeferes were All-America Scholar-Athletes as well as MOC Scholar-Athletes which includes juniors and seniors with a minimum 3.50 cumulative grade point average.

The other senior on the team was first baseman Andrea Butz. She handled 165 fielding chances with a .970 accuracy and was even pressed into pitching three times. She hurled an 8-2 victory against an Urbana team that eventually qualified for postseason play.

Junior outfielder Beth Weaver had a team-high 13 runs batted in while recording a .278 average. Sophomore leadoff hitter Becky Summers scored 12 times and had 15 walks which were the most on the club.

"I was pleased with the effort put forth by the women," remarked second-year head coach Dave Gaffner. "Bonnie was pressed into a difficult and tiring position as our primary pitcher, yet she responded well along with the rest of her teammates."

Cedarville opened the season at the Mobile Invitational in Alabama against three of the top eleven teams in the NAIA. The Jackets MOC schedule included perennial national power Shawnee State, who won the conference title for the seventh straight season, and Walsh, who also qualified for the NAIA Great Lakes Regional. The women ended their season on a high

note by sweeping Wittenberg at home in a doubleheader with Bonnie Schaefer pitching back-to-back complete games.

1998 Results

Southeastern Oklahoma#	L 1-5
Mobile#	L 0-9
Houston Baptist#	L 0-11
Southern Wesleyan#	L 3-5
OHIO DOMINICAN*	L 7-27
OHIO DOMINICAN*	L 5-6 (8 inn.)
at Mt. Vernon Nazarene*	L 2-5
at Mt. Vernon Nazarene*	W 7-5 (9 inn.)
WALSH*	L 0-5
WALSH*	L 5-10
at Tiffin*	L 2-3
at Tiffin*	L 0-2
at Urbana*	L 2-10
at Urbana*	L 3-9
at Malone*	L 1-3
at Malone*	L 3-6
SHAWNEE STATE*	L 1-6
SHAWNEE STATE*	L 1-12
URBANA	L 1-10
URBANA	W 8-2
at Taylor	L 2-5
at Rio Grande*	L 1-4
at Rio Grande*	L 3-5
WITTENBERG	W 4-0
WITTENBERG	W 6-2

*Mid-Ohio Conference Games
#Mobile (Ala.) Invitational

All-Mid-Ohio Conference Honorable Mention

Maria Lattanzio

NAIA All-America Scholar-Athlete

Bonnie Schaefer

Julie Schaefer

NCCAA All-America Scholar-Athlete

Bonnie Schaefer

Julie Schaefer

Mid-Ohio Conference Scholar-Athlete

Bonnie Schaefer

Julie Schaefer



Yellow Jacket Softball History

Year	Overall				WBCC			MOC				Head Coach
	W	L	T	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	T	Pct.	
1985	15	9		.625	6	2	.750					Elaine Brown (15-9, .625)
1986	9	16		.360	3	7	.300					Mark Mathews (19-28-1, .406)
1987	10	12	1	.457	2	8	.200					Mark Mathews
1988	14	11		.560	6	4	.600					Bob Fires (55-30, .647)
1989	12	14		.462	5	3	.625					Bob Fires
1990	29	5		.853	6	0	1.000					Bob Fires
1991	8	19		.296	1	5	.167					Chris Greenwood (8-19, .296)
1992	11	16		.407				5	9		.357	Kathy Freese (50-88, .362)
1993	13	22		.371				4	10		.286	Kathy Freese
1994	9	26		.257				2	12		.143	Kathy Freese
1995	17	24		.415				8	10		.444	Kathy Freese
1996	19	20	1	.488				10	5	1	.656	Joy Fagan (19-20-1, .488)
1997	9	24		.273				4	14		.222	Dave Gaffner (13-45, .224)
1998	4	21		.160				1	15		.063	Dave Gaffner
Totals	179	239	2	.426	29	29	.500	34	75	1	.314	

1990 NAIA District 22 Champion

1990 Western Buckeye Collegiate Conference Champion

1990 NAIA Bi-District 15 Runner-Up

WBCC denotes Western Buckeye Collegiate Conference

MOC denotes Mid-Ohio Conference

Individual Honors

NAIA All-American

1990 Denise DeWalt; Freshman; Shortstop; Bakersfield, CA

•NAIA All-America 2nd Team

•NAIA National Batting Champion, .615 average

NAIA National Pitcher of the Week

1990 Cindy Weibert; Freshman; Sanger, CA

•Two-time NAIA National Pitcher of the Week

•NAIA All-America Honorable Mention

•NAIA District 22 Player of the Year

•NAIA national leader in strikeouts with 16.18 per seven innings

NAIA All-America Scholar-Athletes (Junior/Senior with 3.50 GPA)

1991 Diane Rank

1992 Diane Rank, Julie Rutt

1993 Julie Rutt, Shannon Wenger

1995 Penni Ruhl

1996 Jennifer Cassidy, Penni Ruhl, Melissa Sprankle

1997 Melissa Sprankle

1998 Bonnie Schaefer, Julie Schaefer

NCCAA All-America Scholar-Athletes (Junior/Senior with 3.40 GPA)

1996 Jennifer Cassidy, Penni Ruhl, Melissa Sprankle

1997 Jennifer Cassidy, Julie Schaefer, Melissa Sprankle

1998 Bonnie Schaefer, Julie Schaefer

Mid-Ohio Conference Scholar-Athletes (Junior/Senior with 3.50 GPA)

1994 Jennifer Sloan

1995 Penni Ruhl

1996 Jennifer Cassidy, Penni Ruhl, Melissa Sprankle

1997 Melissa Sprankle

1998 Bonnie Schaefer, Julie Schaefer

All-NAIA District 22

1985 Angela Cremeans (OF), Jewel Schroder (IF)

1990 Denise DeWalt (IF), Sara Norder (C), Diane Rank (IF),

Cindy Weibert (P)

1993 Mindy Humble (OF)

All-Western Buckeye Collegiate Conference

1985 Angela Cremeans (OF), Jewel Schroder (IF)

1986 Sue Baldis (IF), Rebecca Clifford (OF)

1987 Rebecca Clifford (OF), Kristi Culp (P), Joy Hamilton (IF)

1988 Kim Fordyce (C), Chris Friesen (IF)

1989 Rebecca Clifford (OF), Kristy Lough (OF)

1990 Denise DeWalt (SS), Chris Jackson (P), Sara Norder (C), Diane Rank (IF), Cindy Weibert (P)

1991 Sara Norder (C), Holly Weibert (IF), Jennifer Woodard (OF)

All-Mid-Ohio Conference

1995 Cindy Cremeans (DP) 1st Team; DiAnn Miller (Utility) 2nd Team; Erika Miller (3b) 2nd Team

1996 Erika Miller (At-Large) 1st Team; Cindy Cremeans (At-Large) 2nd Team; Penni Ruhl (C) 2nd Team

1997 Erika Miller (3b) 1st Team

Coaches of the Year

1990 Bob Fires -- NAIA District 22, Western Buckeye Collegiate Conference

1991 Chris Greenwood -- Western Buckeye Collegiate Conference



Denise DeWalt



Erica Miller

Yellow Jacket Womens's Softball All-Time Roster



Sue Baldis1985-86	Pam Goodwin1994	Penni Ruhl1993-96
Holly Barnett1996	Lara Gyurik1996-97	Julie Rutt1991-93
Linda Bean1989	Joy Hamilton . . .1986-87	Candace Sarber 1992-93
Deb Berdy1985, 87	Jenny Haupt1986	Bonnie Schaefer 1996-98
Andrea Berry1987	Lanay Herron1985	Julie Schaefer . .1997-98
Sarah Bishop1998	Jill Hertzler1992	Jewel Schroder . . .1985
Jenae Bouchard . . .1993	Mindy Humble . .1990-93	Lana Schwinn . .1995-97
Renee Brown . . .1986-87	Debbie Ingalls1988	Carrie Scott1993
Julie Butler1986	Chris Jackson . .1988-90	Deena Shriver1985
Andrea Butz1995-98	Becky Jenkins1985	Vicki Slane1985
Jennifer Cassidy 1994-97	Kerri Kenyon1992	Jennifer Sloan . .1993-95
Mel Clark1986	Heather Klingaman .1995	Beth Smith1987
Rebecca Clifford 1986-89	Brandi Knight1996	Dawn Smith1987-90
Lisa Coe1993-94	DeAnn Lancaster . .1990, 92	Melissa Sprankle 1994-97
Shelly Coffin1994	Maria Lattanzio1998	Julie Sroufe1993
Angela Cremeans . .1985-86	Robin Lensch . . .1991-93	Marueen Strang . . .1997
Cindy Cremeans . . .1995-96	Tina Lethco1987-88	Becky Summers 1997-98
Kristi Culp1986-89	Ashli Linkhorn1993	Nadine Terrill1987
Kelly Darcy1990-92	Kristy Lough1988-89	Tamra Terrill1987
Diane Davison1989	Jill Marhefka1988	Sheri Tice1985
Denise DeWalt1990	Tammy Mascari1986	Denis Uhl1990
Michelle Dick . . .1995-97	Kim McCoy1991-92	Michelle VanLier . . .1997
Chris Douglass1987	Erika Miller1994-97	Beth Vencill1996
Sarah Drake1985	DiAnn Miller1992-95	Beth Weaver1998
Julie Erdmann1985	Elissa Morrison1998	Cindy Weibert1990
Surena Evans1989	Amanda Mudrey1995-96	Holly Weibert1991
Tonya Evans1985	Tammy Nasse1985	Shannon Wenger . . .1992-93
Jennifer Fisher . .1995-96	Shery Neal1988-91	Angela Weschenfelder1994
Noella Fisher . . .1996-98	Sara Norder1989-92	Angie Wilcox1985-86
Cheryl Fletcher . .1988-89	Sharyn Norder . .1989-92	Maggie Winkels1997
Sandy Fletcher1989	Christine Olbrich . . .1997	Jennifer Woodard . .1991
Kim Fordyce1985-88	Theresa Olson1997	
Angela Fraley1998	Shelly Pellish1990	
Chris Friesen . . .1987-89	Dawn Phillips1988	
Patty Garcia1987	Diane Rank1989-92	
Bonnie Gates1985	Melissa Reed . . .1993-94	

All-Time Series Records

1999 Opponents in CAPS
179 Wins, 239 Losses, 2 Ties -- .426 Winning Pct.

	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>		<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>		<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
Adrian	0	1	Huntington	2	2	Tenn. Wesleyan	0	1
Albion	1	0	Indiana Wesleyan	1	2	Thomas More	2	0
Aquinas	0	2	Knox	1	1	TIFFIN	14	20
Azusa Pacific	0	2	Lee	0	2	Tri-State	0	1
Belhaven	1	1	Lincoln	1	0	Trinity Christian	1	0
Bellarmine	1	0	MALONE	7	6	URBANA	21	20
Bethel IN	0	1	Marian	0	1	WALSH*	5	9
Bethel MN	2	0	Marietta	2	0	William Carey	0	1
Bluefield State	1	1	MOBILE	0	4	William Jewel	0	2
Bluffton	9	6	Morningside	0	1	William Woods	0	3
Capital	4	1	MOUNT VERNON			Wilmington	13	17
Central Methodist	1	2	NAZARENE#	7	22	Wisc. Lutheran	1	0
Columbia	0	1	MT. ST. JOSEPH	6	13	WITTENBERG	14	6
Concordia MI	3	1	Nyack	2	0	Wooster	1	1
Culver-Stockton	0	1	Oakland City	2	0			
Cumberland KY	1	1	OHIO DOMINICAN	7	17	# Tie vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene (4/21/87)		
Defiance	9	5	Olivet Nazarene	0	2	* Tie vs. Walsh (3/30/96)		
Earlham	4	0	RIO GRANDE	7	8			
East Central	0	1	SHAWNEE STATE	1	18			
Eastern	1	0	SE Oklahoma	0	1	New Opponents in 1999:		
Findlay	12	16	So Calif College	1	0	Athens State, Faulkner,		
Grace	1	4	Southern Wesleyan	0	1	Geneva, Notre Dame (Ohio),		
Greenville	1	0	Spring Arbor	2	2	Saint Vincent		
Houston Baptist	0	1	St. Francis	0	1			
Huntingdon	0	1	TAYLOR	6	5			



Yellow Jacket Softball Individual Records

Games Played

Career: 148, Erika Miller (1994-97)

Season: 41, six players

Batting Average

Career: .373, Erika Miller, 170/456 (1994-97)

Season: .615, Denise DeWalt, 75/122 (1990)

At Bats

Career: 456, Erika Miller (1994-97)

Season: 141, Cindy Cremeans (1996)

Game: 6, accomplished 21 times by 18 players

Runs Scored

Career: 100, Rebecca Clifford (1986-89)

Season: 50, Denise DeWalt (1990)

Game: 4, accomplished 14 times by 10 players

Hits

Career: 170, Erika Miller (1994-97)

Season: 75, Denise DeWalt (1990)

Game: 6, DiAnn Miller vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene (4/22/94)

Doubles

Career: 39, Erika Miller (1994-97)

Season: 21, Denise DeWalt (1990)

Game: 3, accomplished 3 times by 2 players

Triples

Career: 16, Erika Miller (1994-97)

Season: 6, Angela Cremeans (1986)

6, Cindy Cremeans (1995)

Game: 2, accomplished 4 times by 3 players

Home Runs

Career: 7, Angela Cremeans (1985-86)

Season: 4, Angela Cremeans (1985)

Game: 1, many players

Runs Batted In

Career: 101, Erika Miller (1994-97)

Season: 40, Chris Friesen (1987)

Game: 6, Sue Baldis vs. Wittenberg (4/18/85)

Slugging Percentage

Career: .628, Angela Cremeans, 93/148 (1985-86)

Season: .893, Denise DeWalt, 109/122 (1990)

Game: 2.333, Erika Miller, 7/3 vs. Urbana (3/22/94)

Longest Hitting Streak

Season: 16 games, Denise DeWalt (1990)

Most Consecutive Hits

Season: 12, Denise DeWalt (1990)

Stolen Bases

Career: 46, Rebecca Clifford (1986-89)

Season: 26, Denise DeWalt (1990)

Game: 4, Sue Baldis vs. Bluffton (3/27/86)

4, Denise DeWalt vs. Concordia (3/20/90)

4, DiAnn Miller vs. Urbana (3/22/94)

Walks

Career: 57, Sue Baldis (1985-86)

Season: 38, Sue Baldis (1985)

Game: 4, 4 players

Most At Bats without a Strikeout

Season: 87, Lara Gyurik (1997)

PITCHING

Appearances

Career: 86, DiAnn Miller (1992-95)

Season: 28, DiAnn Miller (1995)

Starts

Career: 68, DiAnn Miller (1992-95)

Season: 24, Julie Erdmann (1985)

Complete Games

Career: 65, DiAnn Miller (1992-95)

Season: 23, Julie Erdmann (1985)

23, Brandi Knight (1996)

Victories

Career: 32, Kristi Culp (1986-89)

Season: 16, Chris Jackson (1990)

Consecutive: 13, Cindy Weibert (1990)

Saves

Career: 3, DiAnn Miller (1992-95)

Season: 2, DiAnn Miller (1995)

Winning Percentage

Career: .605, Chris Jackson, 23-15 (1988-90)

Season: .867, Cindy Weibert, 13-2 (1990)

Shutouts

Career: 6, Chris Jackson (1988-90)

6, Cindy Weibert (1990)

Season: 6, Cindy Weibert (1990)

Innings Pitched

Career: 479.1, DiAnn Miller (1992-95)

Season: 159.0, Julie Erdmann (1985)

Game: 12, Kristi Culp vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene (4/21/87)

12, Kristi Culp vs. Capital (4/24/89)

Strikeouts

Career: 205, Cindy Weibert (1990)

Season: 205, Cindy Weibert (1990)

Game: 21, Cindy Weibert vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene (4/19/90; 8 inn.)

20, Cindy Weibert vs. Huntington (3/31/90;

7 innings)

Consecutive: 10, Cindy Weibert vs. Shawnee State

(4/16/90)

Strikeouts per 7 innings

Career: 4.72, Chris Jackson, 170 K's in 252.1 IP (1988-90)

Season: 16.18, Cindy Weibert, 205 K's in 88.2 IP (1990)

Lowest Earned Run Average

Career: 2.19, Chris Jackson (1988-90)

Season: 0.63, Cindy Weibert (1990)

FIELDING

Fielding Percentage

Career: .972, Sara Norder (1989-92)

Season: .994, Sara Norder (1990)

Most Chances

Career: 673, Erika Miller (1994-97)

Season: 323, Sara Norder (1990)

Game: 21, Sara Norder vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene (4/19/90)

Most Putouts

Career: 552, Sara Norder (1989-92)

Season: 313, Sara Norder (1990)

Game: 21, Sara Norder vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene (4/19/90)

Most Assists

Career: 427, Erika Miller (1994-97)

Season: 140, Erika Miller (1995)

Game: 12, Erika Miller vs. Findlay (4/3/96)

MISCELLANEOUS

Perfect Game

4/16/90 Cindy Weibert vs. Shawnee State (10-0, 6 innings)

No-Hitters

4/24/85 Julie Erdmann vs. Marietta (5-0)

4/15/89 Kristi Culp vs. Defiance (3-0)

4/16/90 Cindy Weibert vs. Shawnee State (10-0; 6 innings)

4/17/90 Cindy Weibert vs. Wilmington (2-1)

Lady Jacket No-Hitters



Julie Erdmann



Kristi Culp



Cindy Weibert

Yellow Jacket Softball Team Records



Batting Average

Season: .347, 336/967 (1994)
Game: .630, 17/27 vs. Findlay (4/7/90)

At Bats

Season: 1146 (1996)
Game: 53 vs. Capital (4/24/89), 12 inn.
46 vs. Urbana (4/24/90), 7 inn.

Runs Scored

Season: 267 (1990)
Game: 23 vs. Bluffton (3/27/86)
Inning: 17 (4th inning) vs. Thomas More (4/23/91)

Runs Scored, both teams

Game: 40, Cedarville 23 Bluffton 17 (3/27/86)

Hits

Season: 356 (1996)
Game: 26 vs. Mt. Vernon (4/22/94), 10 inn
23 vs. Malone (4/13/96), 7 inn.
Inning: 9 vs. Thomas More (4/23/91)

Doubles

Season: 79 (1996)
Game: 6 vs. Eastern (3/20/90)
6 vs. Defiance (4/21/90)
6 vs. Malone (4/13/96)

Triples

Season: 19 (1995)
Game: 4 vs. Earlham (5/1/87)

Home Runs

Season: 12 (1985)
Game: 2 several times

Extra Base Hits

Season: 86 (1996)
Game: 7 vs. Walsh (4/16/92)
7 vs. Urbana (3/22/94)
7 vs. Malone (4/13/96)

Runs Batted In

Season: 208 (1990)
Game: 18 vs. Urbana (4/2/91)

Total Bases

Season: 450 (1996)
Game: 32 vs. Urbana (3/22/94)

Slugging Percentage

Season: .452, 437/967 (1994)
Game: .941, 32/34 vs. Urbana (3/22/94)

Stolen Bases

Season: 67 (1985)
Game: 11 vs. Urbana (5/5/88)

Stolen Base Attempts

Season: 85 (1985)
Game: 11 vs. Urbana (5/5/88)

Stolen Base Percentage

Season: .912, 62/68 (1990)
Game: 1.000, 11/11 vs. Urbana (5/5/88)

Walks

Season: 162 (1985)
Game: 23 vs. Bluffton (3/27/86)

Most Sacrifice Bunts

Season: 39 (1995)
Game: 6 vs. Walsh (3/30/96)

Most Sacrifice Flies

Season: 15 (1990)
Game: 3 vs. Wittenberg (4/30/90)

PITCHING

Relief Appearances

Season: 19 (1994)

Complete Games

Season: 37 (1996)

Shutouts

Season: 10 (1990)

Innings Pitched

Season: 263.1 (1996)

Fewest Runs Allowed

Season: 74 (1990)

Fewest Earned Runs Allowed

Season: 36 (1990)

Most Runs Allowed

Season: 338 (1994)
Game: 27 vs. Ohio Dominican (3/31/98)
Inning: 14 (2nd inning) vs. Urbana (4/5/94)

Most Earned Runs Allowed

Season: 255 (1994)
Game: 16 vs. Findlay (4/9/94)
16 vs. Mount St. Joseph (4/14/94)
16 vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene
(4/22/94)

Strikeouts

Season: 306 (1990)
Game: 21 vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene
(4/19/90)

Strikeouts per 7 innings

Season: 9.56 (1990)

Fewest Walks Allowed

Season: 35 (1997)

Fewest Walks per 7 innings

Season: 1.23 (1997)

Most Walks Allowed

Season: 190 (1994)
Game: 17 vs. Ohio Dominican (4/19/94)

Most Hits Allowed

Season: 388 (1996)
Game: 25 vs. Ohio Dominican (3/31/98)

Fewest Hits Allowed

Season: 145 (1990)

Lowest Earned Run Average

Season: 1.13 (1990)

Highest Earned Run Average

Season: 8.64 (1994)

FIELDING

Highest Fielding Percentage

Season: .940 (1990, 1995)

Most Chances

Season: 1257 (1995)
Game: 55 vs. Ohio Dominican (4/17/87)

Most Putouts

Season: 790 (1996)
Game: 36 vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene
(4/21/87)
36 vs. Capital (4/24/89)

Most Assists

Season: 402 (1995)
Game: 19 vs. Ohio Dominican (4/17/96)

Most Errors

Season: 112 (1993)
Game: 13 vs. Ohio Dominican (3/31/98)

Double Plays

Season: 20 (1997)
Game: 2 many times

MISCELLANEOUS

Most Victories

Season: 29 (1990)

Fewest Victories

Season: 4 (1998)

Most Losses

Season: 26 (1994)

Fewest Losses

Season: 5 (1990)

Highest Winning Percentage

Season: .853, 29-5 (1990)

Lowest Winning Percentage

Season: .160, 4-21 (1998)

Consecutive Victories

Season: 11 (1990)

Longest Game

12 innings vs. Mt. Vernon Nazarene (4/21/87)
12 innings vs. Capital (4/24/89)

Largest Margin of Victory

19 Cedarville 21 Wittenberg 2
(4/30/90)

Largest Margin of Defeat

24 Urbana 25 Cedarville 1 (4/5/94)

Most Runs Scored in a Shutout

17 Cedarville 17 Thomas More 0
(4/23/91)

Most Runs Allowed in a Shutout

16 Findlay 16 Cedarville 0 (4/29/88)

Most Extra Inning Games in a Season

6 (1995; Won 1, Lost 5)



Throughout its history, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) has provided strong leadership for all aspects of intercollegiate sports. Since its introduction of intercollegiate championship basketball in 1937, the NAIA has maintained the highest standards while administering first-rate athletics programs.

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In the past decade, presidents of the NAIA colleges and universities have assumed a position of responsible leadership. The NAIA's Council of Presidents, the organization's primary governing body, is comprised of 32 college and university presidents from all regions of the United States.

With its major emphasis on educational development, it was natural for the NAIA to further strengthen academic eligibility requirements in the mid-'80s. All NAIA participating student-athletes must maintain a certain grade point average (GPA) while accumulating credit hours for a declared academic degree. Unlike other associations, NAIA student-athlete academic eligibility is monitored on a semester-by-semester basis. The All-America Scholar-Athlete program, a long-standing NAIA tradition, recognizes junior and senior student-athletes with a minimum cumulative 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Since 1937, the NAIA has administered athletics programs and championships in proper balance with the overall collegiate educational experience. Serving higher education in this manner is a responsibility the NAIA does not take lightly. It is a relationship built on confidence and trust -- a relationship strengthened year after year.

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The NCCAA believes:

That athletics are a means to an end, not an end in themselves.

That the process is as important as the performance.

That the person (student-athlete) is more important than the program.

NCCAA. It is an organization bringing Christian colleges together not just for athletic competition. More importantly, it is an organization bringing colleges together who have common goals and perspectives in Christian higher education.

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Home Field

The Lady Jackets will play their 1999 home games at the Village of Cedarville Community Park while work is completed on their new home field at the north end of the campus. The softball venue includes a Diamond Pro skin infield, a natural turf outfield, and a 10-foot warning track leading up to an eight-foot high wooden fence. The outfield dimensions are 200 feet down each line and 215 feet to centerfield. The site includes 40-foot long dugouts, a press box, electronic scoreboard, and seating for 500 people. The entire field has drainage and it includes an automatic irrigation system.



The softball field is a part of an athletic complex that includes new fields for baseball and soccer. The project, which features a picnic pavilion and concession stand, is scheduled for completion by the fall of 1999.



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