



University of Iowa Women's Basketball

Game #30

March 2, 2009

2008-09 Schedule/Results 20-9 Overall, 13-5 Big Ten

11/16	Texas State	W, 87-45
11/18	at Kansas	L, 55-76
11/22	Boston^	W, 83-58
11/23	Providence^	W, 64-46
11/27	vs. Texas Tech#	W, 56-48
11/28	vs. South Florida#	L, 79-82 (OT)
11/29	vs. #3 California#	L, 43-76
12/4	at #12 Duke\$	L, 47-71
12/7	#22 Iowa State+	W, 66-46
12/11	Northern Iowa	W, 72-46
12/20	at Drake	W, 71-53
12/22	at Wisconsin	W, 73-63
12/28	Purdue	L, 60-69
1/4	at Indiana	L, 54-76
1/8	at Purdue	L, 49-60
1/11	Minnesota	W, 74-57
1/15	at Illinois	W, 72-62
1/18	Northwestern	W, 74-46
1/26	Michigan	W, 77-69
1/29	at Michigan State	L, 56-68
2/1	Penn State	W, 97-89 (3OT)
2/5	Indiana	W, 69-67
2/8	at Minnesota	L, 58-64
2/12	#13 Ohio State	W, 85-75
2/15	at Penn State	W, 63-57
2/19	Wisconsin	W, 72-65
2/22	at Michigan	W, 68-64
2/26	Illinois	W, 69-56
3/1	at Northwestern	W, 86-79
3/6	vs. Minnesota*	7:15 p.m.

^ -- KCRG-TV9 Hawkeye Challenge, Iowa City
 # -- Paradise Jam, U.S. Virgin Islands
 \$ -- ACC/Big Ten Challenge
 + -- Hy-Vee Cy-Hawk Series
 * -- at Big Ten Tournament, Indianapolis, IN

Pronunciation Guide

Wendy Ausdemore.....AUS-de-more
 Lisa Bluder.....BLUE-dir
 Kelsey Cermak.....SIR-mack
 Kamille Wahlin..... Kah-MEAL Wah-LEEN
 Kelly Krei..... CRY
 Shante Jones..... SHAN-tay
 Lindsey Nyenhuis..... NINE-hice
 Megan Skouby.....SKO-bee
 Nicole VanderPol.....VANDER-pole

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Iowa (20-9, 13-5) at Big Ten Tournament

March 6-8, 2009 • TBD

Indianapolis, IN • Conseco Fieldhouse

Radio: AM-600 WMT, AM-1040 WHO

TV: BTN (HD) • Live Stats: hawkeyesports.com

Iowa Tournament Record: 13-12 (Last Game, Purdue 80, Iowa 73 - - March 8, 2008)



THE SETTING

The Iowa Hawkeyes (20-9, 13-5) will play their first game of the 2009 Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament Friday at approximately 7:15 p.m. (CST) at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, IN. The Hawkeyes earned a No. 4 seed and will play fifth-seeded Minnesota (19-10, 11-7) in the quarterfinals.

Iowa finished in a three-way tie, with Michigan State and Purdue, for second place in the Big Ten standings. However, the Hawkeyes lost the tiebreakers and fell to the fourth slot.

The Black and Gold enter the tournament on a six-game winning streak, which is the longest active streak in the conference. Additionally, Iowa has won 12 of its last 14 to finish with the identical record of a year ago, 20-9 overall and 13-5 in Big Ten play.

Iowa has reached the Big Ten Tournament semifinals six times and captured the tournament title in 1997 and 2001. Purdue is the two-time defending tournament champion after topping Ohio State in 2007 and Illinois in 2008.

ON THE TUBE

All tournament games leading up to the championship game will be televised to a national cable audience on the Big Ten Network (HD). Tracey Warren, Vera Jones and Shireen Saski will call the action Friday and Saturday. The championship contest will air Sunday on ESPN2.

ON THE RADIO

Brent Balbinot and Shelley Till will call each Iowa Big Ten Tournament game for the Hawkeye Radio Network. Hawkeye fans can listen to the game on WMT AM-600 in Cedar Rapids and WHO AM-1040 in Des Moines. Balbinot is in his fifth season as Iowa's play-by-play voice, while Till is in her fourth providing analysis.

Hawkeye fans can also follow the game via live stats (gametracker). The 'GT' link can be accessed under the 'Calendar' tab on the front page of hawkeyesports.com or on the women's basketball schedule page.

TICKET INFORMATION

Fans can purchase tickets for the 2009 Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament at the Conseco Fieldhouse Box Office. Single-game tickets range from \$12-\$16. An all-session ticket (10 games) is \$65. Fans interested in sitting in the Iowa section can call the UI Ticket Office at 1-800-IA-HAWKS.

Probable Starting Lineups

Iowa Hawkeyes (20-9, 13-5)						
Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Yr.	Statistical Summary	
G	11	Kristi Smith	5-6	Sr.	13.4 ppg, 2.2 rpg, 3.2 apg, .404 FG%, .831 FT%	
G	2	Kamille Wahlin	5-8	Fr.	7.2 ppg, 3.1 rpg, 2.5 apg, .456 FG%, .725 FT%	
F	21	Kachine Alexander	5-9	So.	9.6 ppg, 8.7 rpg, 3.9 apg, .420 FG%, .753 FT%	
F	32	Wendy Ausdemore	6-2	Sr.	12.0 ppg, 4.9 rpg, 2.6 apg, .447 FG%, .911 FT%	
C	44	Megan Skouby	6-6	Sr.	12.6 ppg, 4.9 rpg, 1.4 bpg, .466 FG%, .857 FT%	

Head Coach: Lisa Bluder (Northern Iowa, 1983); Ninth Season at Iowa (168-107); 25th Season Overall (524-249)

Iowa Hawkeye Top Reserves						
Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Yr.	Statistical Summary	
F	45	JoAnn Hamlin	6-3	Jr.	8.0 ppg, 6.3 rpg, 0.8 apg, .503 FG%, .706 FT%	
F	31	Hannah Draxten	6-0	Fr.	3.3 ppg, 2.0 rpg, 1.1 apg, .357 FG%, .889 FT%	
F	20	Kelly Krei	6-2	Fr.	2.9 ppg, 2.4 rpg, 0.4 apg, .352 FG%, .811 FT%	



Inside the Numbers

	IOWA	MINN
Scoring Average	68.2	62.4
Scoring Defense	63.2	58.2
Scoring Margin	+5.0	+4.2
FG%	.432	.395
FG% Defense	.381	.410
FT%	.798	.723
3-PT FG%	.363	.340
3-PT FG% Defense	.309	.312
Rebound Margin	+2.1	-0.3
Assists Per Game	15.5	13.0
Turnovers Per Game	16.0	15.6
Steals Per Game	5.1	9.1
Blocks Per Game	2.9	1.9

Minnesota vs. Iowa Series History

Iowa leads series, 40-21
Last 10 meetings listed below

Date	Score	Site
Feb. 8, 2009	L, 58-64	Minneapolis
Jan. 11, 2009	W, 74-57	Iowa City
Feb. 17, 2008	W, 72-69	Iowa City
Jan. 3, 2008	W, 68-66 - ot	Minneapolis
Jan. 25, 2007	L, 78-80 - ot	Iowa City
Dec. 28, 2006	W, 58-56	Minneapolis
Jan. 22, 2006	L, 68-80	Iowa City
Feb. 3, 2005	L, 50-81	Minneapolis
Feb. 19, 2004	W, 81-61	Iowa City
Jan. 11, 2004	L, 61-75	Minneapolis

How Many Times a Hawkeye Player...

Scored 20 or More Points	
Megan Skouby	6
Wendy Ausdemore	5
Kristi Smith	5
JoAnn Hamlin	1
Kachine Alexander	1
Scored 15 or More Points	
Kristi Smith	12
Wendy Ausdemore	11
Megan Skouby	10
Kachine Alexander	6
JoAnn Hamlin	3
Kamille Wahlin	3
Grabbed 10 or More Rebounds	
Kachine Alexander	13
JoAnn Hamlin	6
Wendy Ausdemore	3
Megan Skouby	1
Grabbed 7 or More Rebounds	
Kachine Alexander	20
JoAnn Hamlin	10
Megan Skouby	9
Wendy Ausdemore	8
Kamille Wahlin	4
Kelly Krei	2
Hannah Draxten	1
Kristi Smith	1
Dished out 7 or More Assists	
Kachine Alexander	4
Wendy Ausdemore	1
Kamille Wahlin	1
Dished out 5 or More Assists	
Kachine Alexander	10
Kamille Wahlin	5
Kristi Smith	3
Wendy Ausdemore	3
Recorded 4 or More Steals	
Wendy Ausdemore	2
Blocked 3 or More Shots	
Megan Skouby	6
JoAnn Hamlin	2
Kachine Alexander	1

2008-09 Margin of Victory/Defeat

Points	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+	15+	20+
Wins	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	3	0	4	3	5
Losses	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	4

IOWA TO PLAY IN ITS 1,000TH GAME

Iowa has played 999 games, since beginning basketball in 1974. Overall, Iowa's record is 609-390 (.610). That includes a 309-151 (.672) mark in Big Ten contests and 285-82 (.777) in Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

HAWKEYE TRIO MAKE BIG TEN HISTORY

Iowa's senior trio of, Kristi Smith, Megan Skouby and Wendy Ausdemore are the first three players, from the same class, to eclipse 1,200 career points in Big Ten history.

Furthermore, it is believed that they are the highest scoring trio, from the same class, in Big Ten history. The three senior Hawkeyes have combined for 4,134 combined points: Smith (1,421), Skouby (1,416) and Ausdemore (1,297).

Iowa's senior trio topped Purdue's 2004 senior trio of Shereka Wright (2,251), Erika Valek (1,219) and Beth Jones (640), who accumulated 4,110 points. The record was broken in the Hawkeyes' regular season finale at Northwestern.

FIVE HAWKEYES EARN ALL-BIG TEN ACCOLADES

All five University of Iowa women's basketball starters were recognized on the 2008-09 All-Big Ten teams. Senior Kristi Smith earned first team honors by both the media and coaches. Smith becomes only Iowa's seventh multiple first team all-Big Ten honoree and first back-to-back selection since Lindsey Meder in 2001 and 2002. Sophomore Kachine Alexander was recognized on the second team by the coaches and the third team by the media. Senior Wendy Ausdemore was a third team pick by the coaches and an honorable mention selection by the media. Senior Megan Skouby was tabbed honorable mention by both the coaches and media. Freshman Kamille Wahlin was honored on the coaches all-freshman squad.

Alexander was the highest honored underclassmen by the league's coaches. Wahlin becomes Iowa's first all-freshman team award winner since Skouby in 2006. This marks the third-straight year Ausdemore and Smith earned all-Big Ten recognition, while Skouby earned an all-conference award all four years.

Skouby was named Big Ten Freshman of the Year and was tabbed second team all-league in 2006. She was an honorable mention selection as a sophomore and was named Big Ten Sixth Player of the Year her junior campaign. Smith was a third team all-league honoree as a sophomore and a first team pick last season. Ausdemore was a third team selection as a sophomore and an honorable mention pick a year ago.

FIRST-DIVISION FINISH

Iowa recorded another first-division finish in the Big Ten standings, tying Michigan State and Purdue for second place. Bluder's Hawkeyes have finished in the upper half of the Big Ten Conference six times in her nine years as head coach. Iowa has tied for second place twice under Bluder and five times overall.

Additionally, the Hawkeyes notched their 20th win of the regular season in the finale at Northwestern. Bluder has mentored Iowa to four 20-win seasons during her tenure.

SERIES RECORDS AT BIG TEN TOURNAMENT

2008-09 Iowa Hawkeye Roster

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Pos.	Hometown (High School/College)
2	Kamille Wahlin	Fr.	5-8	G	Crookston, MN (Crookston)
11	Kristi Smith	Sr.	5-6	G	Thornton, OH (Horizon)
13	Shante Jones	Fr.	5-9	G	Dayton, OH (Carroll)
20	Kelly Krei	Fr.	6-2	F	Iowa City, IA (City)
21	Kachine Alexander	So.	5-9	G	Minneapolis, MN (Benilde-St. Margaret's)
22	Kelsey Cermak	So.	6-1	F	Norwalk, IA (Norwalk)
31	Hannah Draxten	Fr.	6-0	G/F	Fergus Falls, MN (Fergus Falls)
32	Wendy Ausdemore	Sr.	6-2	F	Neola, IA (Tri-Center)
43	Nicole VanderPol	Sr.	6-1	F	Grundy Center, IA (Grundy Center)
44	Megan Skouby	Sr.	6-6	C	Mentor, OH (Mentor)
45	JoAnn Hamlin	Jr.	6-3	F/C	Douglass, KS (Winfield/Kansas State)
50	Lindsey Nyenhuis	Sr.	5-7	G	Grand Rapids, MI (Forest Hills Northern)

Head Coach: Lisa Bluder Associate Head Coach: Jan Jensen

Assistant Coaches: Jenni Fitzgerald and Shannon Gage



2008-09 Captains

Iowa captains are seniors Wendy Ausdemore and Kristi Smith and junior JoAnn Hamlin.

SERIES RECORDS AT BIG TEN TOURNAMENT

The Hawkeyes are 3-0 against Illinois (1996, 1997 and 2001); 2-0 against Minnesota (1995 and 2003) and Michigan (2008); 1-0 vs. Ohio State (1998); 2-2 vs. Northwestern (1997, 1999, 2000 and 2003); 2-2 vs. Indiana (1997, 2001, 2002 and 2007); 1-4 vs. Purdue (1996, 1998, 2001, 2003 and 2008); 0-1 against Wisconsin (1982); 0-2 vs. Penn State (1995 and 2005) and Michigan State (2004 and 2006).

IOWA BIG TEN TOURNAMENT HISTORY

The Hawkeyes won their second Big Ten Tournament title in dramatic fashion eight years ago when they upset the defending tournament champion and fifth-ranked Purdue Boilermakers (75-70) in Grand Rapids, MI. Iowa holds an overall record of 13-12 (.520) in Big Ten Tournament games.

This marks the fourth time the Hawkeyes have garnered a No. 4 seed in the Big Ten Tournament. Iowa won the tournament as a No. 4 seed in 1997, which is the only time a No. 4 seed has won. The Hawkeyes beat Northwestern, Indiana and Illinois to earn the league's automatic NCAA Tournament berth. Iowa lost to fifth-seeded Indiana, in overtime, in the 2002 quarterfinals and fell to Michigan State in the 2004 quarterfinals, as a fourth seed.

Iowa has played against Minnesota twice before at the Big Ten Tournament, winning both contests. The Black and Gold bounced the Golden Gophers, 57-44, in the 1995 first round and, 80-77, in the 2003 quarterfinals.

The No. 4 seed is 8-6 in quarterfinal contests against the fifth seed. The No. 5 seed has won the last two meetings against the No. 4 seed (Penn State beat Illinois, 61-49, in 2007 and Michigan State bounced Minnesota, 56-51, in 2008).

IOWA TRAVEL SCHEDULE

The Hawkeyes will depart for the tournament Thursday afternoon following an early afternoon practice in Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Iowa will be housed in the Indianapolis Hilton, located on 120 West Market Street.

IOWA HOLDS TOURNAMENT RECORDS

Iowa holds Big Ten Tournament records for field goals in a game (37), free throw percentage in a single-game (1.000, 12-12), fewest turnovers in a game (5) and average points per game (80.7).

BIG TEN TOURNAMENT HISTORY

This year marks the 15th time the Big Ten will hold a conference tournament. This will be the ninth year that Consecro Fieldhouse will host the Big Ten Women's Tournament. Eight years ago, the tournament was held in Grand Rapids, MI, which was a first for the conference tournament. Prior to the 2001 tournament, the seven other tournaments were held in Indianapolis, IN. Only six teams have won the conference tournament. Purdue has won the most with seven, followed by Iowa and Penn State with two. Ohio State, Michigan State and Indiana have each won one. The Boilermakers boast the best winning percentage (.800) in the tournament, while the Hawkeyes rank fourth (.520). The lowest seed to capture a tournament title was fifth-seeded Indiana in 2002. The top seed has won the tournament only once since 2000 (Ohio State in 2006).

A record-setting attendance total of nearly 39,000 watched in 2006 as the Buckeyes captured its first title.

Head Coach Lisa Bluder

Lisa Bluder (pronounced BLUE-dir) is in her ninth season as head coach at the University of Iowa and her 25th season as a college head coach. She is a two-time Big Ten and WBCA Regional Coach of the Year, most recently earning honors a year ago in 2007-08.

Bluder, 47, has a career record of 524-249 (.678), including a 168-107 (.611) record at Iowa, a 187-106 (.638) record in 10 seasons (1990-2000) at Drake and a six-year mark (1984-90) of 169-36 (.824) at St. Ambrose.

Bluder is Iowa's second all-time winningest coach and trails only C. Vivian Stringer. She has guided the Hawkeyes to six post-season tournaments (4 NCAA, 2 WNIT) and six upper-division finishes in the Big Ten Conference, including winning a share of the league championship in 2008 and tying for second place in 2009.

In her first season with the Hawkeyes, Bluder transformed a struggling program into a 21-game winner. Iowa finished second in the Big Ten, won the conference tournament and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. Bluder became Iowa's third coach to be named Big Ten Coach of the Year. She was also honored as the College Coach of the Year by the *Women's Basketball News Service* and was named the WBCA District 6 Coach of the Year. Iowa's 2001-02 squad finished fourth in the Big Ten and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament for the second consecutive year. In 2003, Bluder guided the Hawkeyes to their first-ever WNIT appearance. Iowa, which had nine underclassmen on its roster, advanced to the quarterfinals before falling to Creighton. In 2004-05, Iowa finished 23-10, starting the year 13-0 and were the last Division I undefeated team standing. In 2005-06, Bluder mentored a team plagued by injuries to a fifth-place Big Ten finish and an NCAA Tournament berth.

In her 10 years at Drake, Bluder brought great success and tradition to the Bulldog program and established herself as one of the top coaches in the country. She led Drake to five 20-plus win seasons in her last six years, including five post-season appearances. She guided the Bulldogs to eight Missouri Valley Conference Tournament appearances, reaching the semifinals six times and winning the tournament four times. Bluder was also named the Conference Coach of the Year three times at Drake.

Bluder began her coaching career at St. Ambrose, where she coached six successful seasons, building the Bees into a NAIA powerhouse. During her tenure at St. Ambrose, Bluder guided the Bees to four straight national tournaments, including two consecutive Final Four appearances. The 1990 St. Ambrose team was ranked No. 1 and Bluder was named the NAIA Converse Coach of the Year.

A graduate of Linn-Mar High School in Marion, IA, Bluder was a three-year starter at Northern Iowa. She graduated from UNI in 1983 with a bachelor's degree in marketing.



ALL-TIME SERIES

Friday will be the 62nd meeting between Iowa and Minnesota. Iowa owns a commanding 40-21 advantage in the all-time series. The Hawkeyes are 2-0 against Minnesota in Big Ten Tournament contests.

Five of the last six contests have been decided by six points or less, including two going to overtime. The Hawkeyes have won three of the last four meetings.

Iowa and Minnesota split the season series with each team winning on its home floor. The Hawkeyes posted a 74-57 triumph on Jan. 11 in Iowa City, while Minnesota recorded a come-from-behind 64-58 victory on Feb. 8 in Minneapolis.



Charting The Iowa Hawkeyes

Career Scoring

Rank	Pts.	Player	Years
1	2059	Cindy Haugejorde	76-80
2	1906	Lindsey Meder	98-02
3	1821	Michelle Edwards	84-88
4	1762	Jennie Lillis	00-04
5	1742	Franthea Price	86-90
6	1606	Toni Foster	89-93
7	1598	Tangela Smith	94-98
8	1421	Kristi Smith	05-
9	1416	Megan Skouby	05-
10	1335	Lisa Becker	83-87
11	1319	Amy Herrig	95-99
12	1297	Wendy Ausdemore	05-

Career Assists

Rank	Ast.	Player	Years
1	576	Cara Consuegra	97-01
2	431	Michelle Edwards	84-88
3	403	Kristi Smith	05-

Career Blocks

Rank	Blks.	Player	Years
1	235	Tangela Smith	94-98
2	149	Megan Skouby	05-

Career 3-Point Field Goals Made

Rank	3-pters	Player	Years
1	261	Lindsey Meder	98-02
2	214	Wendy Ausdemore	05-
3	179	Kristi Smith	05-

Career 3-Point Field Goal Percentage

Rank	3-pters	Player	Years
1	411 (179-436)	Kristi Smith	2005-
2	405 (261-644)	Lindsey Meder	1998-02
3	404 (214-530)	Wendy Ausdemore	2005-

Senior Blocks

Rank	Blks	Player	Season
1	59	Jerica Watson	2001-02
2	58	Jamie Cavey	2004-05
3	54	Tangela Smith	1997-98
4	42	Megan Skouby	2008-09

Senior 3-Pointers

Rank	3-pt	Player	Season
1	84	Lindsey Meder	2001-02
2	59	Kristi Smith	2008-09
3	57	Kristi Faulkner	2003-04
4	54	Leah Magner	2001-02
5	54	Wendy Ausdemore	2008-09

Sophomore Assists

Rank	Asts	Player	Season
1	153	Cara Consuegra	1998-99
2	153	April Calhoun	2002-03
3	121	Kristi Smith	2006-07
4	113	Kachine Alexander	2008-09

Sophomore Rebounds

Rank	Rbs	Player	Season
1	300	Cindy Haugejorde	1977-78
2	267	Lisa Long	1984-85
3	253	Kachine Alexander	2008-09

Freshman 3-Pointers

Rank	3-pt	Player	Season
1	49	Lindsey Meder	1998-99
2	30	Johanna Solverson	2002-03
3	26	Leah Magner	1998-99
4	25	Kamille Wahlin	2008-09
5	22	Kristi Smith	2005-06
6	21	Hannah Draxten	2008-09

Freshman Assists

Rank	Asts	Player	Season
1	94	Cara Consuegra	1997-98
2	82	Kristi Smith	2005-06
3	78	Necole Tunsil	1990-91
4	76	Jennie Lillis	2000-01
5	73	Kamille Wahlin	2008-09

Big Ten Standings/Schedule

Team	Big Ten	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
Ohio State	15-3	.833	24-5	.828
Michigan State	13-5	.722	20-9	.690
Purdue	13-5	.722	20-9	.690
IOWA	13-5	.722	20-9	.690
Minnesota	11-7	.611	19-10	.655
Indiana	11-7	.611	18-9	.667
Wisconsin	6-12	.333	16-13	.552
Penn State	6-12	.333	11-17	.393
Illinois	5-13	.278	9-20	.310
Michigan	3-15	.167	10-19	.345
Northwestern	3-15	.167	7-22	.241

Thursday, March 5

Game 1: #7 Wisconsin vs. #10 Northwestern, 11 a.m.
Game 2: #6 Indiana vs. #11 Michigan, 1:15 p.m.
Game 3: #8 Penn State vs. #9 Illinois, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, March 6

Game 4: #2 Michigan State vs. Game 1 Winner, 10:30 a.m.
Game 5: #3 Purdue vs. Game 2 Winner, 12:45 p.m.
Game 6: #1 Ohio State vs. Game 3 Winner, 5 p.m.
Game 7: #4 Iowa vs. #5 Minnesota, 7:15 p.m.

Saturday, March 7

Game 8: Game 4 Winner vs. Game 5 Winner, 5 p.m.
Game 9: Game 6 Winner vs. Game 7 Winner, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 8

Game 10: Game 8 Winner vs. Game 9 Winner, 4:30 p.m.

All times central

UPDATED ALL-TIME SERIES RECORDS VS. BIG TEN FIELD

Below is Iowa's updated all-time series records vs. the Big Ten field. Iowa recorded at least one victory over eight of its 10 conference opponents this season. The Hawkeyes were unable to defeat Michigan State or Purdue in 2008-09.

Illinois: 44-16 (Iowa won both meetings this season)

Indiana: 39-16 (Season split with each team winning on its home floor)

Michigan: 41-11 (Iowa won both meetings this season)

Michigan State: 30-23 (Michigan State won the only meeting this year in East Lansing)

Minnesota: 40-21 (Season split with each team winning on its home floor)

Northwestern: 42-12 (Iowa won both meetings this season)

Ohio State: 25-25 (Iowa won the only regular season meeting this year in Iowa City)

Penn State: 16-19 (Iowa won both meetings this season)

Purdue: 24-32 (Purdue won both meetings this season)

Wisconsin: 35-20 (Iowa won both meetings this season)

SCOUTING MINNESOTA

Minnesota lost four of its last six games heading into the Big Ten Tournament. In the last week, the Gophers lost at Northwestern, won at Michigan State, but finished with a home loss to Illinois. Minnesota is 5-14 (.263) in Big Ten Tournament contests, with two of the victories coming in the 2005 tournament.

Three Minnesota players were honored on all-Big Ten teams. Senior Emily Fox was a second team selection by both the media and coaches. Junior Ashley Ellis-Milan was a third team honoree by both voting panels, while Kiara Buford was recognized on the coaches all-freshman team.

Six of Minnesota's last nine victories have come by six points or less, including a buzzer-beater at Michigan (60-59).

Fox averages a team-best 12.8 points and 2.2 steals. Junior Katie Ohm averages 9.2 points and has drained a team-best 67-169 (.396) from 3-point range. Ellis-Milan averages 11.8 points and a team-best 7.4 rebounds.

The Gophers shoot 72.3 percent from the free throw line and 39.5 percent from the field. Minnesota ranks second in the league in steals (9.1) and turnover margin (+3.62), third in 3-pointers (5.9), and fourth in assist-turnover ratio (0.84).

Pam Borton is in her 10th season (220-117, .653) as a head coach, including her sixth year on the Golden Gopher sidelines (151-71, .680).

IOWA, BIG TEN TOURNAMENT NOTES

- Iowa recorded its second-largest comeback in school history, erasing a 19-point second-half deficit to bounce seventh-seeded Indiana, 81-76, in the 2001 Big Ten Tournament quarterfinals at Grand Rapids, MI. The Hawkeyes ultimately won the tournament. Iowa posted its largest comeback this season, rallying from 20 points down in the second half at Penn State (Feb. 15).

- Iowa is 7-7 in Big Ten Tournament contests under ninth-year Head Coach Lisa Bluder. The Hawkeyes are 4-7 in tournament games played at Consecro Fieldhouse the last seven years. Iowa advanced to the semifinals last season before falling to eventual-champion Purdue.



Big Ten Overall Individual Stats

Megan Skouby	Rank	Avg.	Kristi Smith	Rank	Avg.
Free Throw Percentage	2nd	.857	3-Pointers Made	3rd	2.03
Blocked Shots	6th	1.45	3-Point FG Percentage	3rd	.424
Field Goal Percentage	8th	.466	Free Throw Percentage	3rd	.831
Scoring	10th	12.6	Scoring	5th	13.4
			Assist/Turnover Ratio	7th	1.24
Kachine Alexander	Rank	Avg.	Assists	10th	3.24
Defensive Rebounds	4th	6.28	Minutes Played	10th	33.69
Assists	5th	3.9			
Rebounding	6th	8.7	Wendy Ausdemore	Rank	Avg.
Assist/Turnover Ratio	5th	1.31	3-pointers Made	4th	1.86
Offensive Rebounds	10th	2.45	3-point FG Percentage	11th	.355
Free Throw Percentage	15th	.758	Field Goal Percentage	11th	.447
Scoring	25th	9.6	Scoring	13th	12.0
			Assists	14th	2.59
Kamille Wahlin	Rank	Avg.	JoAnn Hamlin	Rank	Avg.
Assists	15th	2.52	Field Goal Percentage	4th	.503
			Defensive Rebounds	11th	4.56
			Rebounding	13th	6.3
			Blocked Shots	14th	0.83

- Since 2001, 36 of the 80 tournament games (46 percent) have been decided by eight points or less.
- Last year, Iowa went 13-5 in Big Ten play to win a share of the regular season title with Ohio State. The Hawkeyes finished with the same league record this season, 13-5.
- Iowa won six road games this season, including five during Big Ten play. The five victories during conference play rank fourth-best in the league. Ohio State, Purdue and Michigan State each had six road wins to rank first.
- Iowa boasts a perfect 11-0 record when allowing 59 points or less, are 15-2 when shooting a higher field goal percentage than its opponents, 19-2 when scoring 60 points or more, 17-1 when leading at halftime and 10-2 in games decided by 10 points or less.
- Kachine Alexander, who stands 5-9, finished the regular season ranked second in rebounding, pulling down 9.7 per contest in 18 league games. Also, Alexander has attempted the most free throws of any Big Ten athlete (158) in 29 games. The 158 free-throw attempts are only 11 from the school single-game record.
- Iowa has four players ranked in the top-15 in Big Ten assists: Kachine Alexander (second, 4.5); Kristi Smith (seventh, 3.44); Kamille Wahlin (11th, 3.06); Wendy Ausdemore (14th, 2.72). Additionally, three of the four rank high in assist/turnover ratio: Kamille Wahlin (first, 2.04); Kachine Alexander (second, 1.59); Kristi Smith (seventh, 1.29).
- Iowa's senior trio of Kristi Smith (1,421), Megan Skouby (1,416) and Wendy Ausdemore (1,297) is the first-ever senior class of three players in Big Ten history to each have eclipsed 1,200 points.
- Iowa shoots 79.8 percent (67-84) from the foul line the last two minutes of games, including 85 percent (51-60) with under a minute to go.
- Kristi Smith has reached double figures a team-best 22 times this year, including 14 of the last 15 contests. Also, Smith has made 33-34 (.971) from the free-throw line, dating back to the Indiana game (Feb. 5).
- Kristi Smith's 59 triples this season are a single-season best for the senior and rank second-best in school history for an Iowa senior.
- Kamille Wahlin ranked second in assists (3.06), scoring (8.7) and 3-point percentage (.415), third in rebounding (3.6), and fifth in field goal percentage (.446), amongst Big Ten freshmen, amongst Big Ten freshmen, in conference games only rankings. She boasts a staggering 2.5 assist/turnover ratio the last 11 games.
- Kristi Smith's two assists at Michigan moved her past Johanna Solverson and into third place on Iowa all-time assist list. She has 403 career assists and will finish her career third on Iowa's all-time chart.
- Iowa players have corralled double-digit rebounds 21 times this season. Kachine Alexander has accomplished the feat a team-best 12 times, JoAnn Hamlin six times, Wendy Ausdemore three times and Megan Skouby once. The last time an Iowa player controlled double-digit rebounds 12 times or more in a season was Jerica Watson (12), during the 2001-02 season.
- Iowa has an RPI rating of 34th in the country and strength of schedule is 48th. Iowa has four wins over teams in the RPI top-50, including two ranked in the top 25. Iowa's lowest RPI-ranked loss this year came at Kansas (58) in its second game of the year. Minnesota is rated 50th in the RPI and 56th in strength of schedule. The numbers are based on the report published March 2.

Big Ten Overall Stats

Scoring Offense	
1. Ohio State _____	68.9
2. Iowa _____	68.2
Scoring Defense	
1. Michigan State _____	54.9
9. Iowa _____	63.2
Scoring Margin	
1. Ohio State _____	+12.6
5. Iowa _____	+5.0
Free Throw Percentage	
1. Iowa _____	.798
Field Goal Percentage	
1. Ohio State _____	.442
2. Iowa _____	.432
Field Goal Percentage Defense	
1. Michigan State _____	.343
4. Iowa _____	.381
3-Point Field Goals Made	
1. Michigan _____	6.59
2. Iowa _____	6.14
3-Point Field Goal Percentage	
1. Iowa _____	.363
3-Point Field Goal Percentage Defense	
1. Michigan State _____	.261
4. Iowa _____	.309
Rebounding	
1. Michigan State _____	42.4
5. Iowa _____	38.2
Offensive Rebounds	
1. Indiana _____	14.37
6. Iowa _____	11.41
Defensive Rebounds	
1. Michigan State _____	27.14
2. Iowa _____	26.79
Rebounding Allowed	
1. Michigan State _____	33.3
8. Iowa _____	36.1
Rebounding Margin	
1. Michigan State _____	+8.1
5. Iowa _____	+2.1
Blocked Shots	
1. Michigan State _____	5.51
9. Iowa _____	2.90
Assists	
1. Purdue _____	15.59
2. Iowa _____	15.48
Steals	
1. Indiana _____	9.11
11. Iowa _____	5.14
Turnover Margin	
1. Indiana _____	+3.70
10. Iowa _____	-2.31
Assist/Turnover Ratio	
1. Iowa _____	0.97



Big Ten League Stats

Scoring Offense	
1. Iowa _____	69.8
Scoring Defense	
1. Purdue _____	53.5
11. Iowa _____	65.9
Scoring Margin	
1. Ohio State _____	+11.7
4. Iowa _____	+3.9
Free Throw Percentage	
1. Iowa _____	.797
Field Goal Percentage	
1. Ohio State _____	.435
2. Iowa _____	.433
Field Goal Percentage Defense	
1. Michigan State _____	.353
8. Iowa _____	.407
3-Point Field Goals Made	
1. Iowa _____	6.83
3-Point Field Goal Percentage	
1. Iowa _____	.389
3-Point Field Goal Percentage Defense	
1. Michigan State _____	.247
7. Iowa _____	.320
Rebounding	
1. Michigan State _____	39.6
5. Iowa _____	36.7
Offensive Rebounds	
1. Indiana _____	14.33
6. Iowa _____	11.17
Defensive Rebounds	
1. Michigan State _____	25.78
3. Iowa _____	25.50
Rebounding Allowed	
1. Ohio State _____	32.8
8. Iowa _____	36.2
Rebounding Margin	
1. Michigan State _____	+6.0
5. Iowa _____	+0.4
Blocked Shots	
1. Illinois _____	4.94
9. Iowa _____	2.28
Assists	
1. Iowa _____	16.17
Steals	
1. Ohio State/Indiana _____	8.83
11. Iowa _____	5.17
Turnover Margin	
1. Indiana _____	+4.56
8. Iowa _____	-0.72
Assist/Turnover Ratio	
1. Iowa _____	1.15

Big Ten League Stats

Megan Skouby	Rank	Avg.	Kristi Smith	Rank	Avg.
Free Throw Percentage	5th	.837	3-Pointers Made	1st	2.44
Blocked Shots	6th	1.28	Minutes Played	2nd	37.33
Field Goal Percentage	8th	.454	3-Point FG Percentage	3rd	.444
Rebounding	T-16th	5.4	Scoring	4th	15.2
Scoring	17th	11.4	Free Throw Percentage	4th	.841
			Assist/Turnover Ratio	7th	1.29
			Assists	7th	3.44
Kachine Alexander	Rank	Avg.	Wendy Ausdemore	Rank	Avg.
Assist/Turnover Ratio	2nd	1.59	3-pointers Made	5th	1.94
Rebounding	2nd	9.7	Field Goal Percentage	5th	.462
Assists	2nd	4.5	Scoring	6th	13.2
Defensive Rebounds	T-2nd	7.17	3-point FG Percentage	10th	.361
Offensive Rebounds	10th	2.5	Minutes Played	11th	34.44
Free Throw Percentage	15th	.757	Assists	T-14th	2.72
Field Goal Percentage	15th	.425			
Scoring	18th	10.9			
Kamille Wahlin	Rank	Avg.			
Assist/Turnover Ratio	1st	2.04			
3-Point FG Percentage	4th	.415			
Assists	11th	3.06			
Field Goal Percentage	11th	.446			
3-Pointers Made	T-13th	1.22			

HAWKEYE RECORD UPDATES

Iowa's stellar play has made its imprint on the Hawkeye record books throughout the season. Below is a list of some records tied and/or broken and some updated rankings in the Hawkeye record books.

Triple-Doubles:	Kachine Alexander broke the school record by collecting two this season
free throw percentage:	Iowa's 2008-09 team ranks first in a single-season (.798, 427-535)
3-point percentage:	Iowa's 2008-09 team ranks ninth in a single-season (.363, 178-491)
3-point percentage:	Kristi Smith ranks eighth in a single-season (.424, 59-139)
free throw percentage:	Megan Skouby ranks sixth in a single-season (.857, 84-98)
free throw attempts:	Kachine Alexander has attempted 158 free throws, third-most in a single-season Kachine Alexander attempted 18 free throws vs. Ohio State to tie a CHA record*
free throw makes:	Kachine Alexander made 14 free throws vs. Ohio State to tie a CHA record*
3-pointers:	Kristi Smith ranks second in a single-season by an Iowa senior (59) Wendy Ausdemore ranks fourth in a single-season by an Iowa senior (54) Kamille Wahlin ranks fourth in a single-season by an Iowa freshman (22) Hannah Draxten ranks sixth in a single-season by an Iowa freshman (21)
3-point attempts:	Wendy Ausdemore attempted 14 vs. Penn State to tie the single-game record
Rebounds:	Kachine Alexander ranks third in a single-season by an Iowa sophomore (253)
Assists:	Kachine Alexander tied the school and arena record with 12 vs. Northwestern Kachine Alexander ranks fourth in a single-season by an Iowa sophomore (113) Kamille Wahlin ranks fifth in a single-season by an Iowa freshman (73)
Blocks:	Iowa's 12 blocks at Drake tied the school single-game record (vs. UCSB in 1995) Megan Skouby ranks fourth in a single-season by an Iowa senior (42)

* -- record for an Iowa player in Carver-Hawkeye Arena game

SMITH ABOUT TO MAKE IOWA HISTORY

Senior Kristi Smith, who just became Iowa's seventh multiple first team all-Big Ten honoree and first Hawkeye to be named to the first team in back-to-back years since Lindsey Meder in 2001 and 2002, could become the only player in Iowa women's basketball history to amass over 400 points and 100 assist in three seasons.

Smith joined former Hawkeye all-Americans Jolette Law and Michelle Edwards in becoming the only players to record two seasons of 400 points and 100 assists. Smith registered 402 points and 124 assists as a sophomore and 425 points and 103 assists her junior campaign. This season, Smith has accumulated 388 points and 94 assists.

SMITH AND SKOUBY BATTLE FOR EIGHTH PLACE

Only five points separate Megan Skouby and Kristi Smith for eighth place on Iowa's all-time scoring list. Smith has amassed 1,421 points, followed by 1,416 for Skouby. Skouby (116) has played four fewer games than Smith (120).



Hawkeyes Ink Four Talented Recruits

Morgan Johnson, Gabby Machado, Jaime Printy and Theairra Taylor have signed National Letters of Intent to attend the University of Iowa.

"I am very happy with our recruiting class this year," said Bluder. "It is a strong class and I believe each player has an incredible upside. They are very good players now, but they can all become great players."

Printy, who became the youngest player (15) ever to verbally commit to the Iowa women's basketball program, is a two-time consensus all-state, all-conference and all-metro selection playing for Coach Bluder's alma mater, Linn-Mar High School. So far this season, Printy is averaging 17.7 points and 6.8 assists. A two-time team captain, she was named to the all-tournament team at the Iowa state tournament her junior season. The 5-11 guard averaged 18.2 points, 4.6 assists, 3.5 rebounds and 2.4 steals during her high school career. She is a 90 percent free throw shooter and has converted over 43 percent of her 3-point field goal attempts. The guard is ranked 78th on the ESPNU HoopGurlz Top 100 list.

Taylor is a two-time honorable mention Associated Press and Pioneer Press all-state honoree playing for St. Paul Central High School in Minnesota. So far this season, she is averaging 20.2 points, 8.6 rebounds, 3.9 steals and 2.6 assists. During her two years at Central, her team boasts a 60-4 record, including a perfect 32-0 record her sophomore season, and two 4AAAA state championships. Taylor is a three-time all-conference selection. She led the St. Paul Conference in scoring as a freshman at Como Park. She was named to the Wells Fargo All-Tournament team as a sophomore and junior, including being named MVP of the tournament and the gbbrecruit Player of the Week during the tournament last March. During last year's championship run, Taylor broke the state tournament free throw record. The 5-11 guard, who averaged 14 points last season, is ranked 94th on the ESPN HoopGurlz Top 100 list, including a 21st ranking in her position.

Johnson, a native of Platte City, MO, currently owns the Platte County High School record for career points (1,331), rebounds (864) and blocks (281), single-season scoring (502), blocks (113) and free throws made (107) and single-game scoring (33) and free throws made (16). The 6-5 center has been an all-conference and all-district honoree all three seasons and all-state the past two. Johnson was named team MVP all three years, as well. She has helped guide her team to a 53-29 record and the school's first-ever sectional championship, and second district and conference titles. Last season, her team posted a school-record 25 victories.

Machado, a native of Pontiac, MI, averaged 23 points, 14 rebounds and three assists last year for Northern High School. This season, Machado averages 22 points and 13 rebounds and has recorded a rare quadruple-double twice. She is ranked in the top ten in the 2009 class in the state of Michigan. She earned all-conference honors and was named to the Detroit News Class "A" All-State Honorable Mention and Associated Press State of Michigan Honorable Mention as a junior. She also earned first team all-Oakland County laurels last season. Machado is the school record holder for career rebounds (1,106). She averaged 17 points and eight rebounds as a sophomore and 15 points and eight boards her freshman campaign. She was rated the No. 1 power forward and No. 4 player overall in her class by michladyballers.com.

COMPARING SMITH AND WAHLIN'S FRESHMAN NUMBERS

Kamille Wahlin is on the same path as Kristi Smith in her freshman season. Below are Kamille's and Kristi's freshman year numbers.

Kristi Smith's Freshman Campaign in 2005-06

GP/GS	FG-FGA	3-Ptrs	FT-FTA	RB	AS	ST	PTS	AVG
29/21	74-156	22-53	36-43	61	82	29	206	7.1

Kamille Wahlin's Freshman Campaign in 2008-09

GP/GS	FG-FGA	3-Ptrs	FT-FTA	RB	AS	ST	PTS	AVG
29/12	78-170	25-62	29-40	89	73	20	210	7.2

KASHIN' IN

Sophomore Kachine Alexander, who is a second team all-Big Ten honoree, has made a name for herself in the Big Ten with her improved play. Last year, she played only 18 games, averaging 2.2 points, 2.9 rebounds and 0.7 assists. Through 29 games this season, she is averaging 9.6 points, 8.7 rebounds and 3.9 assists.

Alexander, who stands 5-9, ranks second in rebounding (9.7), defensive rebounding (7.17), assist/turnover ratio (1.59) and assists (4.5), 10th in offensive rebounds (2.5), 15th in free throw percentage (.757) and field goal percentage (.425), and 18th in scoring (10.9), in Big Ten Conference games only.

Additionally, she became the first Big Ten player to ever post two triple-doubles in the same season when she accomplished the feat twice in four games. The Minneapolis, MN, native had 10 points, 11 rebounds and 12 assists vs. Northwestern (Jan. 18) and 26 points, 21 rebounds and 10 assists vs. Penn State (Feb. 1). Both games were Iowa wins.

SENIOR DUO IN THE RECORD BOOKS

Seniors Kristi Smith and Wendy Ausdemore have their names all over the Hawkeye record books for 3-point shooting. Smith is shooting at a 41.1 percent (179-436) clip for her career to tie Ohio State's Caitly Matter (.411, 270-657) for first in Big Ten history. Ausdemore (.404, 214-530) ranks fourth-best in league history behind former Hawkeye Lindsey Meder (.405, 261-644).

Ausdemore's 214 treys ranks second in Iowa annals behind Meder's 261. Smith's 179 triples rate third best. Smith's 59 treys this season rank second-best in Iowa single-season history for a senior. Last season, Ausdemore was 78-171 (.456), with her percentage ranking third in the nation, and first among players with over 150 attempts. Also, Ausdemore made a school-best 62 triples as a sophomore and 78 as a junior.

HAWKEYES DROP NORTHWESTERN IN REGULAR SEASON FINALE

All five Hawkeye starters netted double figures to lead Iowa to an 86-79 triumph at Northwestern. The win was Iowa's 16th straight over the Wildcats. Iowa led by as many as 16 points in the second half and sank 8-9 from the free-throw line the last two minutes to secure Iowa's 20th victory of the season.

Megan Skouby and Kristi Smith shared game-high scoring honors, each scoring 19 points. Kamille Wahlin scored 13 of her 16 points in the second half and also dished out a game-high six assists. Kachine Alexander contributed 13 points and a game-high eight rebounds, while Wendy Ausdemore had 11 points and a career-high five steals.

Both teams shot the ball extremely well from the free throw line and the field. Iowa shot 21-25 (.840) from the charity stripe and 50 percent (30-60) from the field. The Wildcats shot 89.5 percent (17-19) from the foul line and 55.8 percent (29-52) from the floor. Smith was 10-11 (.909) from the free throw line.

PRE-SEASON RANKINGS

Iowa was picked to finish fourth in the Big Ten by the league coaches and fifth by a selected media panel. The coaches picked Purdue to win the conference, while the media selected Ohio State. The Buckeyes won outright, or shared, the last five regular season titles, which includes this season. Ohio State sophomore Jantel Lavender was selected as the pre-season Player of the Year by both voting groups.

Iowa finished in a three-way tie for second place with Michigan State and Purdue.



MAKING THE FREEBIES

Iowa has done an amazing job, recently, getting to the free throw line and taking advantage of the free shots. The Hawkeyes attempted an average of 18.9 free throws the last nine games and made 15.8 of those attempts (83.5%). Iowa was 14-16 (.875) vs. Penn State, 21-26 (.808) vs. Indiana, 26-32 (.813) vs. Ohio State, 21-25 (.840) at Northwestern, 20-24 (.833) vs. Wisconsin, 15-17 (.822) vs. Illinois, 11-14 (.786) at Penn State, 9-11 at Michigan and 5-5 (1.000) at Minnesota.

Senior Megan Skouby ranks second in the conference and 20th nationally in free throw accuracy, shooting .857 (84-98). Wendy Ausdemore has missed only five free throw attempts this season (51-56, .911). Kachine Alexander has attempted more free throws than any other Big Ten student-athlete this season (158). The 158 are the most by a Hawkeye since Kristi Faulkner attempted 165 in 33 games during the 2002-03 campaign. The school record for free throw attempts is Amy Herring's 169, which she established in 1998-99.

As a team, Iowa shoots .798 (427-535) from the charity stripe, ranking fifth in the nation. The Hawkeyes have made more free throws (427) than their opponents have attempted (417). Iowa is on pace to shatter the Big Ten single-season record for free throw percentage. The record is 78.8 percent (461-585), which was established by the Hawkeyes during the 2006-07 campaign.

WINS, LOSSES COMPARISONS

There are big differences, statistically in Iowa's wins vs. losses. The Hawkeyes average 18.2 more points in victory. Also, Iowa averages 5.8 fewer turnovers in its victories. Finally, Iowa averages .398 from behind the 3-point arc in its wins, compared to only .296 in defeat.

Individually, Kristi Smith averages 15.1 points, including making 43-93 (.462) from 3-point territory, in victories. Also, Kachine Alexander averages 11.4 points, 4.9 assists and 9.7 rebounds in Hawkeyes wins. In losses, Smith averages only 9.6 points, while Alexander averages 5.8 points and 1.7 assists.

	FG%	3-PT%	FT%	REB	AST	TO	PTS
Wins	.460	.398	.806	39.0	17.2	14.2	73.9
Losses	.365	.296	.774	36.4	11.8	20.0	55.7

HOME, AWAY COMPARISONS

Iowa averages 12.9 more points at home than on the road. The Black and Gold have a much-higher free throw percentage at home (.824) than on the road (.764). Iowa averages 3.3 more rebounds per game, 4.7 more assists and 2.6 fewer turnovers at home than on the road.

	FG%	3-PT%	FT%	REB	AST	TO	PTS
Home	.460	.373	.824	39.9	17.9	14.6	74.9
Away	.405	.354	.764	36.6	13.2	17.2	62.0

REACHING DOUBLE FIGURES

The following are Iowa's number of double figure games in scoring and rebounding, both for the 2008-09 season and career:

	Points		Rebounds	
	'08-09	Career	'08-09	Career
Kristi Smith	23	76	0	0
Megan Skouby	16	71	0	1
Wendy Ausdemore	20	70	2	4
JoAnn Hamlin	8	10	6	6
Nicole VanderPol	0	6	0	0
Lindsey Nyenhuis	0	5	0	0
Kachine Alexander	13	13	13	14
Kamille Wahlin	8	8	0	0

DOUBLE-DOUBLES

Last season, Iowa had only three players record a double-double in 32 games (Wendy Ausdemore, Johanna Solverson and Megan Skouby). So far this season, Iowa has had five different players post double-doubles a total of 16 times through 29 games. The last time Iowa had at least 16 double-doubles in a season was during 2000-01 campaign. That team, which was Lisa Bluder's first Hawkeye team, also collected a total of 16 double-doubles.

Kachine Alexander has posted a team-best seven double-doubles this season, which includes two triple-doubles. The sophomore registered double-doubles vs. Providence, Michigan, No. 13 Ohio State, Wisconsin and Illinois, and also added triple-doubles vs. Northwestern and Penn State. The last Iowa player to record seven or more double-doubles in a season was Jennie Lillis in 2002-03. Lillis had nine double-doubles that season.

JoAnn Hamlin has four double-doubles (Boston, Iowa State, Minnesota and Wisconsin) this year. Wendy Ausdemore collected double-doubles vs. Texas Tech and South Florida in the Paradise Jam and also at Penn State. Kamille Wahlin had her first double-double vs. Michigan, while senior Megan Skouby posted her first career double-double at Minnesota.

IOWA DOUBLE-DOUBLES THIS SEASON (16)

Kachine Alexander (7)	15 points, 11 rebounds vs. Providence (11/23)
	10 points, 11 rebounds, 12 assists vs. Northwestern (1/18)*
	10 points, 14 rebounds vs. Michigan (1/26)
	26 points, 21 rebounds, 10 assists vs. Penn State (2/1)*
	16 points, 14 rebounds vs. Ohio State (2/12)
	15 points, 12 rebounds vs. Wisconsin (2/19)
	13 points, 11 rebounds vs. Illinois (2/26)
JoAnn Hamlin (4)	14 points, 10 rebounds vs. Boston (11/22)
	18 points, 10 rebounds vs. Iowa State (12/7)
	10 points, 10 rebounds at Wisconsin (12/28)
	21 points, 10 rebounds vs. Minnesota (1/11)

Wendy Ausdemore (3)	17 points, 10 rebounds vs. Texas Tech (11/27)
	21 points, 11 rebounds, vs. South Florida (11/28)
	15 points, 12 rebounds at Penn State (2/15)

Kamille Wahlin (1)	14 points, 10 assists vs. Michigan (1/26)
Megan Skouby (1)	21 points, 11 rebounds (2/8)

* - denotes a triple-double

TRIFECTA MAKES HISTORY

Iowa has three seniors who have reached the 1,200-point plateau. Wendy Ausdemore, Megan Skouby and Kristi Smith became the first trio, from the same class, in Big Ten history to ever eclipse 1,200 points! Purdue and Illinois each have three members from their 1988 class score 1,000 points or more.

Smith currently has 1,421 points, followed by Skouby (1,416) and Ausdemore (1,297).

Skouby and Smith accomplished the feat last season as juniors, while Ausdemore topped 1,000 points early this season.

Ausdemore netted a game-high 21 points in an overtime loss to South Florida (Nov. 28, 2008). The native of Neola, IA, reached 1,000 points in 97 games.

Skouby scored six points at No. 20 Ohio State (Feb. 21, 2008) to become the 24th Hawkeye to amass 1,000 career points. Skouby, who is a native of Mentor, OH, accomplished the feat in only 82 games and she did so in front of family and friends.

Smith netted 19 points vs. Purdue (March 8, 2008) to become the 25th Iowa player to tally 1,000 points. The Thornton, CO, native accomplished the feat in 90 contests.



TRIPLE THREAT

Kachine Alexander, who was tabbed Big Ten Player of the Week twice this season (Jan. 20 and Feb. 3), is the first player in Big Ten history to record two triple-doubles in a season.

The 5-9 guard totaled 10 points, 11 rebounds and 12 assists in Iowa's win against the Northwestern Wildcats. The 12 assists are a personal best and match the school single-game and Carver-Hawkeye Arena record.

She became the first player to register a triple-double during a Big Ten game since Feb. 8, 2007, when Ohio State's Jessica Davenport tallied 17 points, 10 rebounds and 11 blocks against Minnesota. The last triple-double involving points, rebounds and assists in league play was courtesy of Iowa's Cara Consuegra (17 points, 10 rebounds, 10 assists) on Feb. 3, 2000.

The sophomore repeated the feat three games later when she totaled 26 points, 21 rebounds and 10 assists in a triple-overtime triumph over Penn State. She is the only Hawkeye to ever record two triple-doubles.

Alexander is one of only four NCAA Division I student-athletes to post multiple triple-doubles this season. Kansas State's Shalee Lehning, UT-San Antonio's Monica Gibbs and St. Mary's Louella Tomlinson are the other three players to have two triple-doubles this year. In total, there have been 13 triple-doubles, by a total of nine different players in 2008-09.

Alexander became only the second Iowa basketball player, male or female, to post a triple-double (Cara Consuegra).

WAHLIN SHINES IN STARTING ROLE

Kamille Wahlin was moved to a starting role the last 11 games. She first entered the starting lineup after JoAnn Hamlin went down with an injury, but has remained in the starting lineup since Hamlin's return.

In her 11 career starts, Wahlin averages 11.6 points, 4.5 rebounds and 4.1 assists and a staggering 2.5 assist/turnover ratio and 35 minutes of action. Wahlin has posted double figures in seven of her 11 starts. She ranked second in assists (3.06), scoring (8.7) and 3-point percentage (.415), third in rebounding (3.6), and fifth in field goal percentage (.446), amongst Big Ten freshmen, in conference games only rankings. Additionally, she ranked first in assist/turnover ratio (2.04), fourth in 3-point percentage (.415), 11th in assists (3.06) and field goal percentage (.446), in conference games only rankings.

In her first career start against Michigan (Jan. 26), she posted a double-double, the first of her career, recording 14 points and a personal-best 10 assists. The 10 assists are believed to be the most in a single-game by an Iowa freshman.

At Michigan State, Wahlin was under the weather, with the flu, but still managed to play 27 minutes and collect six points and two assists. In Iowa's triple overtime thriller, the freshman logged 43 minutes of court time, recording 18 points and seven boards.

Wahlin helped Iowa to a two-point victory (69-67) over Indiana on Feb. 5. The freshman tallied 10 points, seven rebounds and five assists. At Minnesota, she was credited with eight points, seven rebounds and a game-high six assists.

The native of Crookston, MN, netted a personal-best 19 points and collected a team-high five assists in Iowa's 10-point upset home win over No. 13 Ohio State. Wahlin was credited with 10 points and a personal-best eight boards in Iowa's last win vs. Wisconsin. She contributed a team-high 13 points in Iowa's home victory over Illinois.

Wahlin tallied 13 of her 16 points in the second half and also dished out a game-high six assists in Iowa's win at Northwestern.

HOME SWEET HOME

Iowa has maintained a solid home court advantage the last couple years. Dating back to last season, Iowa has won 20 of its last 21 home games. Iowa finished the 2008-09 regular season with a 13-1 home record.

DISTRIBUTING THE BALL

Kachine Alexander has been putting up big assist numbers. The sophomore had eight assists vs. Minnesota (Jan. 11) and followed up that performance with nine at Illinois (Jan. 15). Against Northwestern (Jan. 18), Alexander collected a game and career-high 12 helpers. The 12 assists tied the school single-game and Carver-Hawkeye Arena record. She was credited with 10 dimes vs. Penn State (Feb. 1). Alexander ranks second in assists (4.69), in league play.

Alexander's 29 combined assists vs. Minnesota, Illinois and Northwestern are believed to be the most ever by a Hawkeye in a three-game span.

Iowa is 10-0 this season when Alexander has five assists or more, and only 2-6 with two assists or fewer.

IOWA FAST BREAKS

- Senior Nicole VanderPol will not play the rest of the year, due to injury. VanderPol played in the first two games of the season and saw a couple seconds on "Senior Night" vs. Illinois on Feb. 26.
- Kristi Smith ranks 17th nationally in 3-point field goal percentage (.424), while Megan Skouby ranks 20th in free throw percentage (.857). As a team, Iowa ranks fifth in free throw percentage (.798), 24th in 3-point field goal percentage (.363), 27th in assist/turnover ratio (1.0), 31st in assists (15.5) and 35th in fewest fouls (14.9).
- Iowa has only three wins this season when trailing at the half: two coming against Penn State and the other vs. Wisconsin. The Hawkeyes were behind by two (36-34) at intermission vs. Penn State Feb. 1. The Black and Gold also trailed the Lady Lions 41-23 Feb. 15 on the road. Iowa rallied from 12 points down in the first half against the Lady Lions (Feb. 1) and a school-record 20 points in the second half (Feb. 15) at Penn State. Iowa trailed Wisconsin 32-30 at the break, but won by seven (72-65) on Feb. 19 in Iowa City.
- Iowa is 138-18 when leading at the half in nine years under Coach Bluder, including 17-1 this season. The Hawkeyes are 117-26 when holding opponents to 69 points or less, including a 57-4 mark when opponents score 59 points or less.
- Iowa's 12 blocks at Drake (Dec. 20) tied the school single-game record previously set vs. UC Santa Barbara in 1995.
- Iowa played seven non-conference games against teams from a major conference: Big East (Providence and South Florida), Pac-10 (California), ACC (Duke), Big 12 (Kansas, Texas Tech and Iowa State).
- Megan Skouby tied a Paradise Jam tournament game record with four blocked shots against Texas Tech (11/27/08). Additionally, she blocked a career-high six shots at Purdue (1/8/09).
- Wendy Ausdemore's 14 three-point attempts vs. Penn State (Feb. 1) tied a school single-game record. Crystal Smith attempted 14 triples at Louisiana Tech, while Lindsey Meder shot 14 treys vs. Colorado and Ohio State.
- Iowa boasted a +21.3 scoring margin in its three wins over in-state competition. The Hawkeyes dropped Iowa State by 20, Northern Iowa by 26 and Drake by 18.
- Iowa was 4-0 in bus trips this season (Drake, Wisconsin, Illinois and Northwestern).



HOME GROWN HAWKEYES

Iowa's 2008-09 roster features four players from the state of Iowa (Wendy Ausdemore, Kelsey Cermak, Kelly Krei and Nicole VanderPol). The Hawkeyes also have three players from Minnesota (Kachine Alexander, Hannah Draxten and Kamille Wahlin). Iowa's 13-person roster also features players from Ohio (Shante Jones and Megan Skouby), Colorado (Kristi Smith), Kansas (JoAnn Hamlin) and Michigan (Lindsey Nyenhuis).

HAWKEYES RANK WELL IN BIG TEN STATISTICS

The Iowa Hawkeyes rank first in six statistical Big Ten games only categories: scoring (69.8), free throw percentage (.797), 3-pointers made (6.83), 3-point field goal percentage (.389), assist/turnover ratio (1.15) and assists (16.17).

Individually, Kachine Alexander ranked second in assist/turnover ratio (1.59), rebounding (9.7), defensive rebounding (7.17) and assists (4.5). Kristi Smith ranks first in 3-pointers made (2.44), second in minutes played (37.33), third in 3-point percentage (.444) and fourth in scoring (15.2). Megan Skouby rated fifth in free throw percentage (.837), sixth in blocked shots (1.28) and eighth in field goal percentage (.454). Kamille Wahlin ranked first in assist/turnover ratio (2.04), fourth in 3-point percentage (.415), and 11th in assists (3.06) and field goal percentage (.446). Wendy Ausdemore ranked fifth in 3-pointers (1.94) and field goal percentage (.462), and sixth in scoring (13.2).

HAWKEYES-LADY LIONS MAKE BIG TEN HISTORY

The Iowa-Penn State triple overtime game on Feb. 1, in Iowa City, made Big Ten history. Iowa became the first Big Ten school to win a triple overtime conference game, since league play officially began in 1982-83.

FITZGERALD EARNS PRESTIGIOUS AWARD

Former Drake athlete Jenni Fitzgerald received the Drake Double D Award in Des Moines, IA, on Jan. 17.

The award is presented annually to Drake letterwinners for achievements in their chosen fields of endeavor and/or community service since leaving Drake. The Double D Award is the highest honor Drake bestows on its student-athletes. Since its inception in 1968, the Double D honor has been presented to 234 former Drake letterwinners.

Fitzgerald was the starting point guard for the Drake women's basketball team from 1986-91. She was named team MVP as a junior and was named captain as a senior while earning All-Gateway Conference honors.

She was a four-year starter for the Bulldogs and only the second player in Drake history to start every game of her collegiate career.

Fitzgerald graduated from Drake, ranking second on the school career steals list (250) third on the school career free throw percentage chart (.802) and third on the school career assist list (516).

In February 2007, Jan Jensen, who also played women's basketball at Drake, earned the Double D Award.

IOWA VS. RANKED TEAMS

Iowa played four games against ranked opponents this season (No. 3 California, No. 12 Duke, No. 13 Ohio State and No. 22 Iowa State). Iowa went 2-2 against those teams, beating Iowa State (66-46) and Ohio State (85-75) at home, but falling at Duke (71-47) and vs. California (76-43) in the Paradise Jam. Below are Iowa's most recent wins vs. nationally ranked opponents:

At Home: 85-75 over 13th-ranked Ohio State, 2/12/09
On the Road: 78-67 over 18th-ranked Michigan State, 2/1/04
Neutral Court: 54-47 over 21st-ranked Oklahoma, 11/27/04

PLAYER AND STAFF HEADSHOTS

Media can download updated color headshots of the Iowa Hawkeye players and coaching staff at:

<http://women.hawkeyebasketball.com>

UI TO HOST NCAA TOURNAMENT GAMES IN 2009

The University of Iowa and Carver-Hawkeye Arena will serve as one of 16 first and second round hosts for the 2009 NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship. Games will take place Sunday, March 22 (6 p.m./8:30 p.m.) and Tuesday, March 24, 2009 (8:30 p.m.).

Adult tickets prices are \$28 for the three tournament games and \$18 for students and senior citizens if they purchase their tickets over the phone or at the UI Ticket Office. The two ticket prices are \$31 and \$21, respectively, if purchased on the Internet.

The UI Department of Athletics first hosted an NCAA Championship site in 1986 when it served as one of four regional final sites. Carver-Hawkeye Arena has hosted NCAA Women's Championship games 11 years (1986-90, 92-94, 96-98). The UI and Carver-Hawkeye Arena have entertained the regional finals four times and first and/or second rounds nine times. The NCAA Tournament expanded to 64 teams in 1994.

The last time Iowa City hosted a first and second round site was in 1998. Iowa defeated Massachusetts in the first round, but lost to Kansas in the second round. The Hawkeyes boast a 9-4 record in NCAA Championship games at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

JANE MEYER NAMED WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Jane Meyer, senior associate director of athletics at the University of Iowa, will serve as chair of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee during the 2009-10 academic year. The appointment was made by the committee and confirmed by the NCAA Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet.

Meyer's term as chair will begin Sept. 1. Currently serving her fourth year as a member of the committee, she will succeed Jacki Silar, associate director of athletics at Duke University, who is serving as chair of the committee for 2008-09 and will continue to serve on the committee for the 2009-10 academic year.

"To have had the opportunity to work alongside past chairs Joni Comstock, Judy Southard and Jacki Silar for the last four years has been a great experience. Their leadership has been extraordinary," Meyer said. "To be selected chair of this committee is an honor. With so many good things happening in our game, it's an exciting time to be working with the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship."

POST-GAME PRESS CONFERENCES ON SATELLITE

The post-game press conferences at the 2008 Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament, scheduled for March 6-9, at Consecro Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, will be available live following every contest via satellite feed at the following coordinates:

AMC6/C12
Located 72 Degrees West
36 MHz – Analog in the clear
Downlink Frequency – 3940 Horizontal

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