

IOWA BASEBALL

QUICK FACTS

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UNIVERSITY QUICK FACTS

Location:..... Iowa City, IA
 Enrollment: 30,561
 Founded: 1847
 Nickname:..... Hawkeyes
 Colors Black and Gold
 Conference:..... Big Ten
 National Affiliation..... NCAA, Division I
 President: Sally Mason
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TEAM INFORMATION

2008 Record 22-33
 Home 9-13
 Away 8-15
 Neutral 5-5
 Big Ten Record/Finish 9-13/10th
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost..... 22/11
 Starters Returning/Lost..... 5/2
 Pitchers Returning/Lost..... 8/4
 Newcomers..... 14
 Home Facility..... Duane Banks Field
 Capacity..... 3,000
 Opened..... 1974
 Dimensions..... 330-375-400-375-330
 Surface Natural Grass

FEBRUARY

20... Fri vs. Illinois% 3 p.m.
 21... Sat vs. St. John's% Noon
 22... Sun vs. Georgetown% 9 a.m.
 27... Fri at Stetson\$ 6 p.m.
 28... Sat vs. South Alabama\$ Noon

MARCH

1..... Sun vs. Southern Illinois\$ 11 a.m.
 6..... Fri at Austin Peay 3 p.m.
 7..... Sat at Austin Peay 1 p.m.
 8..... Sun at Austin Peay 1 p.m.
 14... Sat at Louisville Noon
 15... Sun at Louisville Noon
 16... Mon at Louisville 11 a.m.
 18... Wed at Tennessee-Martin 4 p.m.
 19... Thurs ... at Austin Peay 6 p.m.
 21... Sat **Western Illinois (DH)**... 1 p.m.
 22... Sun at Western Illinois 1 p.m.
 25... Wed **Coe College** 4 p.m.
 27... Fri **Michigan** 6 p.m.
 28... Sat **Michigan** 1 p.m.
 29... Sun **Michigan** 1 p.m.
 31... Tues ... **Upper Iowa** 6 p.m.

APRIL

1..... Wed at Illinois State 6 p.m.
 3..... Fri at Purdue 3 p.m.
 4..... Sat at Purdue 1 p.m.
 5..... Sun at Purdue Noon
 7..... Tues ... **Kansas** 6 p.m.
 8..... Wed **Kansas** 4 p.m.
 10... Fri **Indiana** 6 p.m.
 11... Sat **Indiana** 1:30 p.m.
 12... Sun **Indiana** 1:30 p.m.
 14... Tues at Nebraska 6 p.m.
 17... Fri at Northwestern 3 p.m.
 18... Sat at Northwestern 1 p.m.
 19... Sun at Northwestern 1 p.m.
 21... Tues ... vs. Western Illinois 6:30 p.m.
 22... Wed **Northern Iowa** 6 p.m.
 24... Fri **Michigan State** 6 p.m.
 25... Sat **Michigan State** 2:30 p.m.
 26... Sun **Michigan State** 1:30 p.m.
 28... Tues ... vs. Northern Iowa# 6:30 p.m.
 29... Wed **Creighton** 6 p.m.

MAY

1..... Fri at Minnesota 6:30 p.m.
 2..... Sat at Minnesota 2 p.m.
 3..... Sun at Minnesota 2 p.m.
 5..... Tues ... **UW-Milwaukee** 6 p.m.
 6..... Wed **Western Illinois** 6:30 p.m.
 8..... Fri **Penn State** 6 p.m.
 9..... Sat **Penn State** 1 p.m.
 10... Sun **Penn State** 1 p.m.
 14... Thurs ... at Ohio State 5:30 p.m.
 15... Fri at Ohio State 5:30 p.m.
 16... Sat at Ohio State Noon

*All times are central and subject to change
 % - Big East/Big Ten Challenge
 \$ - Stetson Tournament
 # - Corridor Classic*

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2009 HAWKEYE ROSTER

Numerical

- 1 Cory Glieden
- 2 Justin Toole
- 3 Phil Keppler
- 4 Jeff Pacha
- 5 Chett Zeise
- 6 Trevor Willis
- 8 Wes Freie
- 9 Kevin Hoef
- 12 T.J. Cataldo
- 13 Mike McQuillan
- 14 Kevin Lee
- 15 Sean Flanagan
- 16 Ryan Durant
- 17 Zach Robertson
- 19 Michael Jacobs
- 20 Patrick Schatz
- 21 Andrew Host
- 22 Phil Schreiber
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Alphabetical

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- 20 Patrick Schatz
- 22 Phil Schreiber
- 30 Mike Schurz
- 2 Justin Toole
- 40 Steve Turnbull
- 6 Trevor Willis
- 5 Chett Zeise

Pitchers

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht./Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	Last School
14	Kevin Lee	RHP/C	R/R	6-5/210	So.	Oak Lawn, IL	Richards
15	Sean Flanagan	RHP/U	R/R	6-3/185	Fr.	Downers Grove, IL	North
17	Zach Robertson	LHP	R/R	6-1/195	Jr.	Dews Moines, IA	Lincoln
19	Michael Jacobs	LHP	L/L	6-1/185	Jr.	Lenexa, KS	St. Thomas Aquinas
20	Patrick Schatz	RHP	R/R	6-1/180	So.	McHenry, IL	McHenry West
22	Phil Schreiber	RHP	R/R	6-0/190	Fr.	Kaukauna, WI	Kaukauna
23	Matt Douglas	LHP	L/L	6-3/185	Sr.	Batavia, IL	Black Hawk College
30	Mike Schurz	RHP	R/R	6-2/200	Sr.	Poquoson, VA	Radford University
31	Kyle Heim	LHP	L/L	6-4/220	Jr.	St. Joseph, MO	Benton
32	Jarred Hippen	LHP	L/L	6-3/190	Fr.	Rock Falls, IL	Rock Falls
33	Nic Jensen	LHP	L/L	6-1/180	Fr.*	Appleton, WI	East
34	Tony Manville	RHP	L/R	6-3/190	So.	New Lenox, IL	Mount Carmel
35	Nick Brown	RHP/DH	R/R	6-3/245	Fr.	Warrenville, IL	Wheaton-Warrenville South
37	Patrick Brennan	LHP	L/L	6-2/190	Fr.	East Falmouth, MA	Gunnery
40	Steve Turnbull	RHP	R/R	6-3/215	Sr.	White Bear Lake, MN	WBL Area
44	Zach Kenyon	RHP	R/R	6-6/205	So.	Davenport, IA	Central
45	Nick Erdman	RHP	R/R	6-4/208	Sr.	Cedar Rapids, IA	Linn-Mar

Catchers

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht./Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	Last School
24	Tyson Blaser	C	R/R	6-2/205	Jr.	Taylor Ridge, IL	Rockridge
26	Dallas Burke	C	L/R	6-1/190	Fr.	Bettendorf, IA	Davenport Central
27	Kody McManis	3B/C	R/R	6-0/190	Sr.	Bozeman, MT	Bozeman

Infielders

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht./Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	Last School
1	Cory Glieden	IF	L/R	6-0/170	Fr.	Chaska, MN	Chaska
2	Justin Toole	2B/SS	R/R	6-0/177	Sr.	Council Bluffs, IA	Lewis Central
5	Chett Zeise	IF/OF	R/R	5-11/185	Fr.	Green Bay, WI	Notre Dame Academy
8	Wes Freie	1B/P/DH	R/R	6-3/215	Sr.	Wilton, IA	Wilton
9	Kevin Hoef	3B	R/R	6-2/195	Sr.	Troy, IL	Troy
12	T.J. Cataldo	1B/DH	L/R	6-0/183	Sr.	Carlisle, IA	Carlisle
13	Mike McQuillan	IF	L/R	5-11/165	Fr.	Evergreen Park, IL	Brother Rice
25	Zach McCool	2B	R/R	5-7/165	So.	Manchester, IA	West Delaware
36	Andrew Ewing	IF	R/R	5-11/175	Fr.	Iowa City, IA	West

Outfielders

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht./Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	Last School
3	Phil Keppler	OF/1B	L/R	6-4/183	Fr.*	Manchester, IA	West Delaware
4	Jeff Pacha	OF/LHP	L/L	5-10/180	So.	Iowa City, IA	Regina
6	Trevor Willis	OF/IF	L/R	6-3/185	So.	Homer Glen, IL	Lockport
16	Ryan Durant	OF	R/R	6-1/180	Jr.	Eldridge, IA	North Scott
21	Andrew Host	OF	R/R	6-1/180	Fr.	Altoona, IA	Southeast Polk
28	Kurtis Muller	OF	R/R	5-10/165	So.	Sun Prairie, WI	Sun Prairie

Head Coach: Jack Dahm (#10) **Student Assistant:** Matt Mossey (#7)

Assistant Coaches: Ryan Brownlee (#11) & Chris Maliszewski (#29)

Volunteer Coach: Kris Welker (#42)

Pronunciation Guide

Phil Keppler	KEP-lir
Jeff Pacha	PAY-sha
Wes Freie	Fry
Cory Glieden	GLEE-din
Kevin Hoef	HOFF
T.J. Cataldo	Ka-TALL-doe
Tyson Blaser	BLAY-zer
Mike McQuillan	Muh-QUILL-in
Kurtis Muller	MULL-ir
Chett Zeise	ZI-zee

Breakdown By Class

FRESHMAN (13)	SOPHOMORES (8)	SENIORS (9)
Patrick Brennan	Zach Kenyon	T.J. Cataldo
Nick Brown	Kevin Lee	Matt Douglas
Dallas Burke	Tony Manville	Nick Erdman
Andrew Ewing	Zack McCool	Wes Freie
Sean Flanagan	Kurtis Muller	Kevin Hoef
Cory Glieden	Jeff Pacha	Kody McManis
Jarred Hippen	Patrick Schatz	Mike Schurz
Andrew Host	Trevor Willis	Justin Toole
Nic Jensen		Steve Turnbull
Phil Keppler	JUNIORS (5)	
Mike McQuillan	Tyson Blaser	
Phil Schreiber	Ryan Durant	
Chett Zeise	Kyle Heim	
	Michael Jacobs	
	Zach Robertson	

WELCOME TO IOWA BASEBALL



Student-athletes throughout the country each year face the difficult task of selecting a University in which to pursue their college degree while reaching their full potential academically and athletically.

Selecting a University and baseball program that is the right fit for you is a very important decision. This decision is one that will have a great impact on both the near future as well as the many years to follow your collegiate experience and baseball career.

As you begin to compare all of your options, I strongly encourage you to consider The University of Iowa and our baseball program. Many of the same qualities that distinguish Iowa's academic reputation are the foundation we are building within the baseball program... a commitment to excellence, tradition of success, strong community support and first class facilities.

Iowa is an outstanding university with a worldwide reputation of academic excellence. The university features faculty and staff members who are committed to making your experience as a student-athlete a positive experience academically, not to mention Iowa City is a classic college town that prides itself on the success of the university in every regard.

We are also looking forward to regaining the past success that Iowa Baseball has had in winning seven Big Ten Championships, qualifying for three NCAA Tournaments and one appearance in the College World Series. Our coaching staff is looking forward to taking The University of Iowa Baseball program to new heights. We believe that we have an opportunity to become one of the finest baseball programs in the nation, while helping to produce graduates who are prepared for successful careers.

The athletic department at the University of Iowa has built its reputation on the sound foundation of academic, athletic and personal integrity. These qualities are present at the very top in University President, Sally Mason; Director of Athletics, Gary Barta; and Associate Athletic Director Fred Mims (Baseball Administrator) and are embraced by each member of our coaching and administrative staff.

It is our hope that you will continue to consider The University of Iowa as a place for your future. Our program offers incredible academic opportunities combined with a Big Ten athletic experience that is unparalleled. The University of Iowa and the Iowa City Community will provide all the necessary ingredients to make your academic and athletic experiences as rewarding as possible.

We hope you will share in the excitement about The University of Iowa and our program.

IT'S GREAT TO BE A HAWKEYE!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack Dahm". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "D".

Jack Dahm

Head Baseball Coach
University of Iowa

Hometown: Morton Grove, Illinois
Birthdate: January 19, 1967
Education: Creighton University '89
 (B.S. Business Management)

Dahm's Coaching Experience:

1994-03, Creighton University, Head Coach (283-276-2)
 2004- Present, University of Iowa, Head Coach (124-153)

Dahm's Year-By-Year Coaching Record:

1994	Creighton University	28-29
1995	Creighton University	35-22
1996	Creighton University	19-31-1
1997	Creighton University	27-27
1998	Creighton University	27-27-1
1999	Creighton University	38-25
2000	Creighton University	38-23
2001	Creighton University	21-31
2002	Creighton University	30-24
2003	Creighton University	20-37
2004	University of Iowa	20-35
2005	University of Iowa	28-29
2006	University of Iowa	23-33
2007	University of Iowa	31-23
2008	University of Iowa	22-33

At Creighton University: 283-276-2

At University of Iowa: 124-153

Career Total: 407-429-2



Hawkeye Academic Accomplishments Under Dahm:

- Awarded 2007 NCAA Public Recognition Award for being in the 90% percentile of Academic Progress Report (APR) for baseball
- Third-best graduation rate for Big Ten baseball behind Northwestern and Michigan
- Forty-one players named to the academic all-Big Ten team over the past five years; that is the best five-year total in the history of the program
- A team-record 10 players were named academic all-Big Ten in 2006
- Ben Geelan named *ESPN the Magazine* Academic all-District

Hawkeye Season Accomplishments Under Dahm:

- 2008: Broke season school records in singles (436), stolen bases (138), stolen base attempts (176) and HBP (86)
- 2008: Beat No. 5 Vanderbilt (6-3) at Hawkins Field March 1, 2008.
- 2008: Freshman All-American, Kurtis Muller
- 2007: Overall record (31-23) and fourth-place Big Ten (17-13) finish. Best record in 14 years and second trip to Big Ten Tournament in three years after competing once the previous 15 years.
- 2005: Big Ten record was 19-13 with a third-place finish and finished one game out of first. The 19 victories was the second-most conference wins in the history of the program.
- 2007: Twelve-game winning streak -- second-longest in school history
- 2007: Ten-game Big Ten winning streak -- longest in school history
- 2007: Four-game series sweeps of North Dakota State and Northwestern... first four-game sweeps since 1990 sweep of Illinois.
- First time in school history that Iowa collected three series sweeps of three or more games in a single-season (North Dakota State, Northwestern and Indiana)
- Twenty-two all-Big Ten performers on the field in the past five years
- Seven first team all-Big Ten performers after only four in the previous 14 years
- Eleven players signing MLB contract in the past five years
- Five ABCA All-Mideast Regional Players
- 2007 Stetson Tournament Champions with wins over Nebraska and Notre Dame
- 2006 Austin Peay Tournament Champions
- 2006 Louisiana Cajun Classic Champion

Hawkeye Traditions Started by Dahm:

- Started the Corridor Classic, the biggest ADA fundraiser in Iowa history
- Began the annual I-Cubs Exhibition Game
- Established the annual Lead-Off Dinner. Featured speakers have included: Jim Hendry, Tommy Lasorda, Joe Girardi, Fergie Jenkins, Tim McClelland, Wes Obermueller and Michael Gartner.

SEASON PREVIEW

In his sixth season with the Hawkeyes, Iowa Baseball Coach Jack Dahm is looking for the Black and Gold to become a more consistent team and improve last year's 22-33 record. With an experienced group of players returning and a talented freshmen class, the Hawkeyes are set to continue their improvement in the Big Ten and make a run at a conference title.

"This season we have a nice mix of experience and young talent," Dahm said. "When we've had success in this program, it was when our upperclassmen have had good years and have given us good leadership and I believe we will get both from this years seniors."

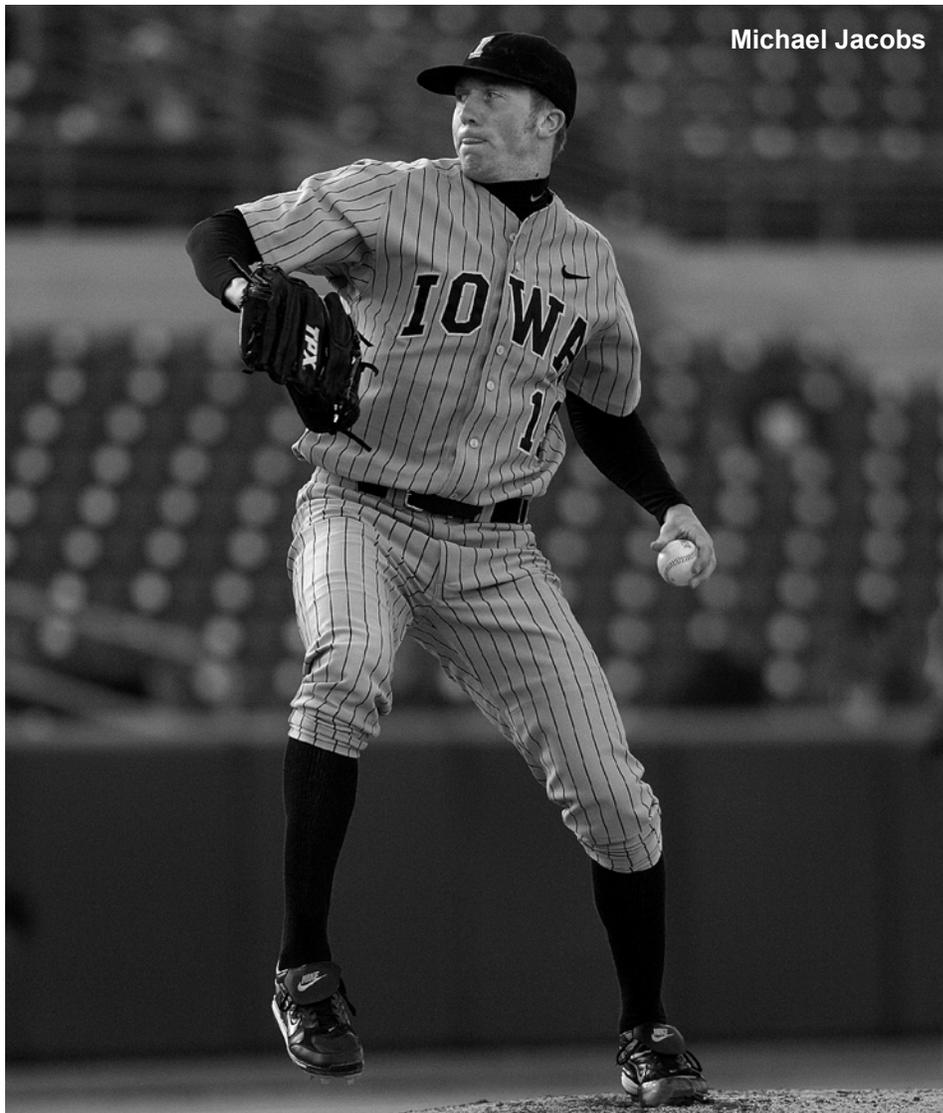
STARTING PITCHING

"I'm very excited about our pitching staff. We have a lot of depth, which has created a great deal of internal competition," Dahm said. "I've also been impressed with the entire staff's attitude and work ethic. Also, the way they've embraced Coach [Chris] Maliszewski and what he brings to the table."

Junior Michael Jacobs, who started 11 games a year ago, was second on the team in innings (55.2). Jacobs pitched six solid innings and got the win at No. 5 Vanderbilt, the Hawkeyes only win against a ranked opponent in 2008.

Sophomore Zach Kenyon gained several innings of experience as a freshman, seeing action in 19 games, with seven starts. He finished with a 7.52 ERA.

Senior Wes Freie, who was primarily used as a DH last season,



Michael Jacobs

will see some work on the bump in 2009. Freie made four appearances in relief with two starts his freshman campaign.

"Wes hasn't pitched since his freshman year. We had him start throwing last spring and he looks like he can be an outstanding pitcher for us," Dahm said.

Other potential starters include left-handed junior transfer, Zach Robertson, senior Nick Erdman and sophomores Tony Manville and Patrick Schatz.

On top of that, the Hawkeyes have several freshman pitchers who have a shot at a starting rotation role.

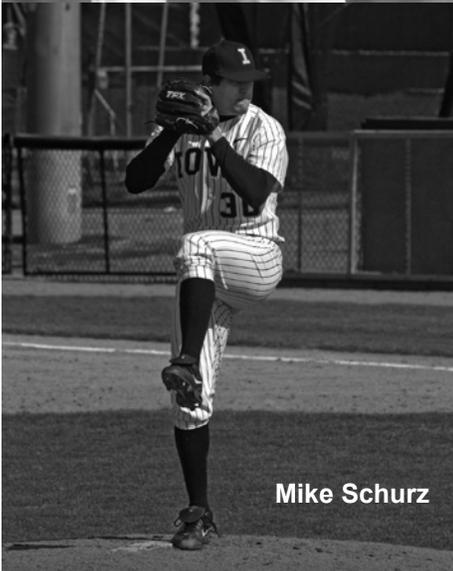
"We have freshmen who will be starting out of the bullpen early on, however, they will be pushing the older guys for spots in the rotation."

Expect to see freshmen, Phil Schreiber, Nick Brown and Jarred Hippen vying for midweek starts.

SEASON PREVIEW



Kyle Heim



Mike Schurz

RELIEF PITCHING

“Over the past 10 years the thought process of coaches has changed in baseball by putting some of their best arms in the bullpen to try to shorten the game,” Dahm said. “We think that we can have this type of bullpen with Schurz, Turnbull, Heim and many other talented arms.”

Senior Steve Turnbull struck out 31 batters last season -- the third most of any Hawkeye pitcher. He saw action in 17 games, including seven starts.

“Steve will begin the season as one of our short relievers to take advantage of his dominant fastball,” Dahm said. “Steve threw very well out of the bullpen last year and we have some high expectations for him this year.”

Junior Kyle Heim was second on the team in 2008 in appearances (26). He recorded 37.1 innings of relief for the Black and Gold and finished with a 2-1 record and one save.

Senior Mike Schurz returns from Tommy John surgery this season. In 2007, Schurz had nine saves and led the team with six wins in 24 appearances. He factored into the decision in 18-of-24 games that season.

“Getting Mike back as a closer is going to be extremely important to us,” Dahm said. “Mike is a proven commodity and was one of the best closers in the Big Ten two years ago with nine saves and six wins. He can give our team a lot of confidence knowing they have a guy who can get that last out.”

Adding options to the bullpen are left-handers senior Matt Douglas, sophomore Jeff Pacha, redshirt freshman Nic Jensen and freshman Patrick Brennan. Along with talented right-handed pitchers sophomore Kevin Lee and freshman Sean Flanagan.

INFIELD

“The strength of our infield is its experience,” Dahm said. “We should be a good defensive team, which is important. In order to win championships it comes down to pitching and defense and I think our interior defense will be very, very good.”

Senior Kevin Hoef will start his fourth and final season at third base after being drafted by the Boston Red Sox last June. He was named second team all-Big Ten after hitting .389 in conference play with only three errors in the league.

“Kevin had an outstanding junior year and he continues to develop in all phases of the game,” Dahm said. “He is one of the most talented defensive third basemen I have ever coached.”

Justin Toole, a third team pre-season all-America selection by Ping Baseball, will play shortstop. The senior received all-Region honors and was recognized as a third team all-Big Ten honoree the past two seasons. Toole is one of Iowa's most consistent hitters, establishing a school-record 25-game hitting streak last season.

“Justin works at his weaknesses,” Dahm said. “He is extremely competitive and plays very hard. Justin is a guy who's made himself into an outstanding player and we are fortunate to have him. You look at the left side of that infield and there aren't two guys in the region as experienced as Hoef and Toole.”

There is still open competition for the starting nod at second base. Zach McCool has a slight lead on Chett Zeise entering spring practice. Other freshmen who are in the running for the position are Mike McQuillan and Corey Gleiden.

“We've got some talented guys battling for the second base position” Dahm said. “I am looking forward to the internal competition and seeing who will earn that position.”

SEASON PREVIEW

First base will be primarily played by senior T.J. Cataldo. He started 33 games at first base in 2008 and was tied for first on the team with four triples.

Freie will also see some time at first base for the Hawkeyes this season.

“We have two experienced players at first base,” Dahm said. “T.J will be the primary first baseman. Wes will also play some at first however expect to see him in the middle of the lineup as our DH.”

CATCHER

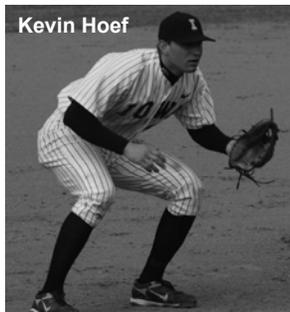
After a season plagued with injuries, the catching position is ready for some stability.

After coming off several injuries sustained last season, and a summer off to recover, Tyson Blaser will be Iowa’s starter behind the plate.

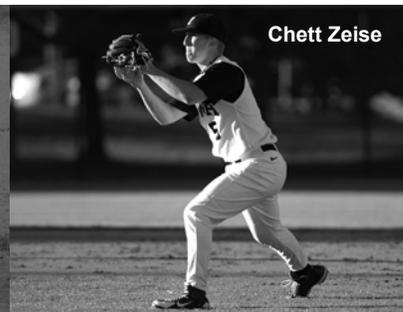
“I expect consistency and leadership from Tyson,” Dahm said. “He basically played with one hand last year and he was able to hit .320, which is extremely impressive. I think he has a chance at being one of the best defensive catcher in the Big Ten.”

Kody McManis will back him up, after hitting .321 in the conference and playing four different positions last season.

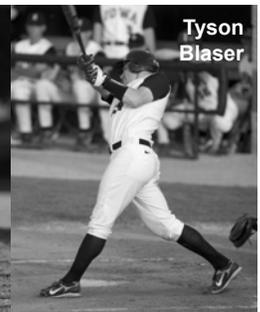
“Last year, Kody proved himself as a utility player,” Dahm said. “He did an outstanding job after basically learning how to catch last year. He gives us some outstanding depth behind the plate.”



Kevin Hoef



Chett Zeise



Tyson Blaser



Justin Toole

SEASON PREVIEW



Kurtis Muller

Dallas Burke, a left-handed hitting freshman, will also add depth behind the plate.

OUTFIELD

While it will be hard to replace center fielder Caleb Curry and right fielder Kyle Riffle, the Hawkeyes have the athleticism to do it in 2009.

Kurtis Muller will move over from left to center. Muller had a tremendous freshman campaign. He played in 54 games, with 51 starts, breaking the true freshman record

with 47 RBI and was named to the Ping Baseball freshman all-America team.

“Kurtis is an outstanding player, not only with great physical tools, but a strong mental approach,” Dahm said. “He will be a big part of our offense this year, hitting in the three-spot for us.”

Sophomore Trevor Willis will see time in right field after appearing in 21 games, with 10 starts last season.

“Trevor is probably the most improved player in the program,” Dahm said. “He will be making a transition to the outfield this spring after coming in as a shortstop.”

Other players battling for playing time are junior transfer Ryan Durant, redshirt freshman Phil Keppler, freshmen Andrew Host and utility players Zeise and McQuillan.

“We have a lot of options in the outfield this season with left-handed hitters Phil Keppler and Mike McQuillan along with right-handed hitters Chett Zeise, Ryan Durant and Andrew Host.”

LEADERSHIP

Coach Dahm has been impressed with the leadership that this year’s senior class has already provided and will provide their final season. He feels like the senior class isn’t done writing their legacy yet.

“They have goals they want to achieve on the field that they haven’t yet,” said Dahm. “They want to win a championship. They’ve accomplished a lot off the field but there’s still more they want to accomplish between the white lines.”

This season marks the first year under coach Dahm that the Hawkeyes have elected team captains. Juniors Tyson Blaser and Michael Jacobs and senior Justin Toole were chosen.

“Our players elected captains and they’ve given tremendous leadership so far,” Dahm said. “Being named captain is an honor and I feel that those three guys deserved it.”

PLAYER BIOS



T.J. Cataldo
Senior -- Infield/DH
L/R, 6-0, 183
Carlisle, IA (Carlisle)

#12



2008 >> Junior Season

Played in 49 games, with 36 starts... started 33 games at first base... tied for first on the team with four triples... one of seven Hawkeyes to hit a homerun... went a perfect 3-for-3 with a run scored and a double against Minnesota (May 3)... recorded the most putouts in a game with 13 at Indiana (Apr. 13)... was 3-for-10 pinch hitting... had a .500 slugging percentage with runners on base... was most successful from the plate in the first inning having hit .571... hit .292 in conference games... led the team in putouts (283)... tied for the most double plays turned (31)... recorded seven multi-hit games... had three multi-RBI games... had a four-game hitting streak during the season... hit in six different spots of the batting order.

2007 >> Sophomore Season

Saw action in 29 games, including 18 starts... made 10 starts at first base and eight at designated hitter... had five multi-hit games... went 2-of-5 with a career-high five RBIs against Upper Iowa (May 2)... led the team with a .409 batting average (18-of-44) in Big Ten Conference play... made 13-of-18 starts in Big Ten play... went 2-of-3 with a RBI and stolen base against Michigan (May 19).

2006 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in 10 games with four starts... made first-career start against Southern Illinois (Mar. 15)... got first-career hit against North Dakota State (Apr. 18), where he went 2-of-4 with a stolen base and run scored... knocked in first RBI against North Dakota State (Apr. 19)... went 1-for-2 against Michigan (May 21).

2005 >> Redshirt Season

High School

First team IHSBCA and second team Iowa Newspaper Association all-state selection as a senior... four-time first team all-conference and All-Record Herald team... three-time first team all-district... led Carlisle to an Iowa Class 2A State Championship as a junior, hitting two home runs in the state championship game... hit .433 with 10 home runs as a senior, .486 with eight home runs as a junior... qualified for the state track meet in the 4x100m relay.

Personal

Born 5/4/86... parents are John and Kim Cataldo... uncle Bob Cataldo played baseball for Iowa... finance and management major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2006	.130	10	23	3	0	0	0	1
2007	.338	29	68	23	3	1	0	15
2008	.270	49	137	37	3	4	1	15
TOTALS	.276	88	228	63	6	5	1	31

From the Coaches Box

"T.J. will be our starting first basemen this year. He brings a lot of experience both offensively and defensively. T.J. has really paid his dues in our program over the past four years and we are going to give him the opportunity to be in the lineup everyday."



Matt Douglas
 Senior -- LHP
 L/L, 6-3, 185
 Batavia, IL (Black Hawk College)

#23



Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Central Illinois Collegiate League for the Quincy Gems.

2008 >> Junior Season

Appeared in four games... left-handed hitters only hit .167 against him... hit no batters and threw no wild pitches.

Before Iowa

Academic all-American at Black Hawk College.

High School

All-conference and all-area selection his senior season... was part of the 2005 Batavia High School conference champion team... two-time academic all-conference selection... earned two varsity letters in football and basketball... National Honor Society member.

Personal

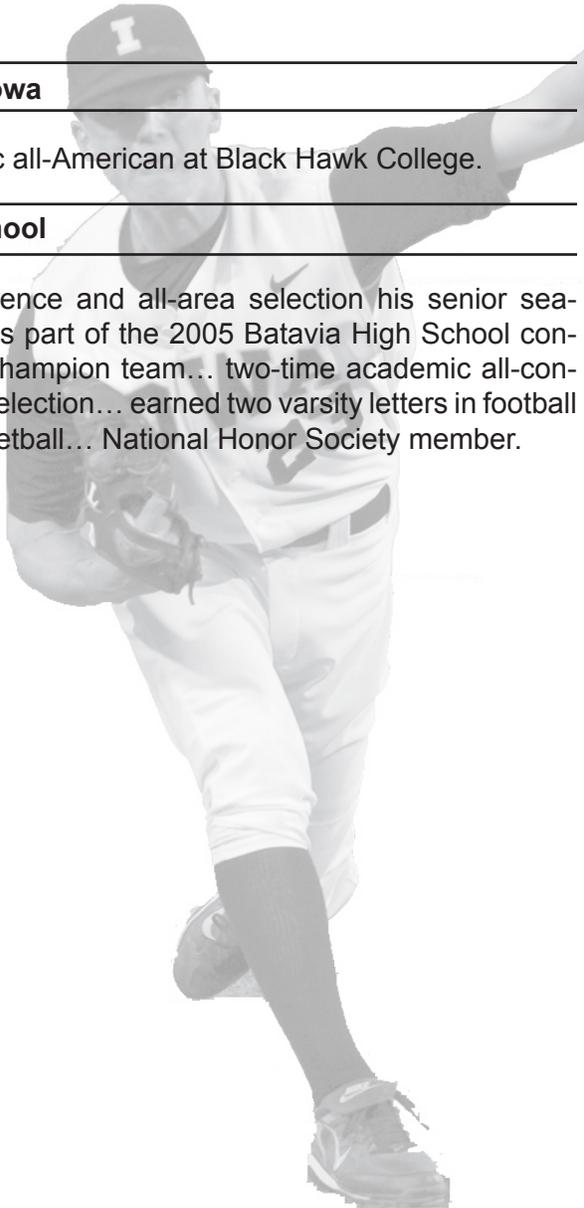
Born 5/4/87... parents are James and Barbara Douglas... marketing major.

Career Statistics at Iowa

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2008	0-0	0	12.27	3.2	5	9	3

From the Coaches Box

"I am very excited about the progress Matt made this fall. Matt did not start pitching until his freshman year of college and he is really starting to get a feel for it. I believe Matt will have an important role out of the bullpen, especially facing left-handed hitters."



PLAYER BIOS



Nick Erdman
 Senior -- RHP
 R/R, 6-4, 208
 Cedar Rapids, IA (Linn Mar) **#45**



Hawk Item -- Played in the Iowa Valley League for Walford... 2007 second team all-Big Ten selection... two-time academic all-Big Ten honoree.

2008 >> Junior Season

Appeared in 16 games, with seven starts... finished the season with a 2-4 record... earned the first Hawkeye win of the season against Albany (Feb. 22)... struck out eight batters against Albany... was fourth on the team in strikeouts (30)... third on the team in runners picked-off (2)... academic all-Big Ten selection.

2007 >> Sophomore Season

Second team all-Big Ten honoree... posted a team-best 7-3 record in 12 starts and 13 appearances... went 6-1 with a 4.79 ERA and 47 innings pitched in Big Ten play... earned a win in his only relief appearance, allowing just one hit in three and 2/3 innings pitched against Arkansas-Little Rock (Feb. 25)... picked up a win in his first-career conference start, allowing just five hits and no runs in five and 2/3 innings at Ohio State (Mar. 31)... threw his first-career shutout against Indiana (May 5), allowing just four hits and no walks while striking out four... academic all-Big Ten honoree.

2006 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in two games, both in relief... threw four and 1/3 innings... recorded two strikeouts.

High School

Played on the American Legion World Series... selected to the all-tournament team... led legion team to a conference championship.

Personal

Born 1/25/85... parents are Scott and Laurie Erdman... chemical engineering major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2006	0-0	0	22.85	4.1	11	9	2
2007	7-3	0	5.15	71.2	41	81	24
2008	2-4	0	8.83	35.2	35	62	30
TOTALS	9-7	0	7.01	111.2	87	152	56

From the Coaches Box

"Nick has worked extremely hard over the summer and thru the fall to get himself in the best shape of his life. We are looking forward to Nick regaining the form he had his sophomore year when he was all-Big Ten and one of the best pitchers in the league. Nick is an incredibly motivated student-athlete that I believe will have an outstanding senior year."



Wes Freie

Senior -- IF/P/DH
R/R, 6-3, 215
Wilton, IA (Wilton)

#8



Hawk Item -- Played summer ball in the Northwoods League for the Mankato Moondogs... MVP of the 2008 Music City Classic... Big Ten Player of the Week (March 3, 2008).

2008 >> Junior Season

Appeared in 47 games with 43 starts... hit .342 on the year, which was the fourth-highest average on the team... recorded two four-RBI games... went 8-for-16 in series at Indiana (Apr. 11-13)... finished with a .314 average in the conference with a .500 slugging percentage... named the MVP of the Music City Classic All-Tournament Team (Mar. 3)... named Big Ten Player of the Week (Mar. 4)... tied for fourth on the team in hits (54)... recorded 14 multi-hit games... had three multi-RBI games... was the third-highest on the team in walks (19) ... tied for second on the team in home runs (4)... his longest hitting streak on the year was 10 games... played either first base or DH... was one of only five Hawkeyes to hit more than one triple, with two on the year... turned 15 double plays... tied for the most at bats in a single-game with seven against Minnesota (May 4)... recorded the most walks in a single-game with three against Ohio State (May 16)... hit .360 with runners in scoring position with 24 RBI.

2007 >> Sophomore Season

Saw action in 35 games, starting 26... made 18 starts at first base and eight at designated hitter... made 10 starts in league play, hitting .257... hit a team-best .667 (4-of-6) as a pinch hitter... went 3-of-5 with a home run and four RBIs at Arkansas-Little Rock (Feb. 25)... went 2-of-4 with two RBIs and a home run against Fresno State (Mar. 12)... was 2-for-5 with a double, triple and two runs scored against North Dakota State (Mar. 23)... went 2-for-3 with two RBIs, two runs and one hit-by-pitch against Upper Iowa (May 2).

2006 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in 32 games, starting 27... one of three Hawkeyes to pitch and play the field... started 11 games at first base, 12 at designated hitter, four at third base

and two at pitcher... also made four relief appearances on the mound... went 3-for-4 with a double and an RBI in his first-career game (vs. Austin Peay State, Feb. 24)... went 3-for-4 with four RBIs against IPFW (Mar. 26)... went 6-of-11 with five runs scored in three games against Penn State (Apr. 7-8)... pitched in relief during Iowa's exhibition against the AAA Iowa Cubs and struck out former major leaguer Michael Restovich... had four multi-hit games.

High School

Iowa Class 2A Player of the Year and Pitcher of the Year as a senior... three-time first team all-conference, all-district and all-state selection... two-time member of the all-state Super Team... holds 15 career records and 13 single-season records at Wilton High School... led Wilton High School to three conference titles and the 2005 state championship as a senior... posted a career record of 39-3 with 417 strikeouts... hit over .500 final three years of prep ball... smacked 44 home runs, knocked in 209 RBIs and stole 47 bases... two-time all-state selection in basketball.

Personal

Born 1/31/87... parents are Jim and Sheila Freie... inter-departmental studies major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2006	.261	32	92	24	8	1	0	15
2007	.263	35	99	26	3	1	2	17
2008	.342	47	158	54	9	2	4	28
TOTALS	.298	114	349	104	20	4	6	60

From the Coaches Box

"Wes has gained a tremendous amount of confidence over the past year and we are looking forward to him having a special season offensively and also on the mound. Wes has not pitched since his freshman year but after watching him this fall he will have an important role on our pitching staff as well as being our designated hitter."

PLAYER BIOS



Kevin Hoef

Senior -- Infield
R/R, 6-2, 195
Troy, IL (Troy)

#9



Hawk Item -- Drafted by the Boston Red Sox in the 48th round (1450th pick)... enters 2009 season with an eight-game hitting streak... Iowa career leader in HBP (49)... two-time member of the Unity Council... 2008 second team all-Big Ten selection... 2008 Music City All-Tournament team... two-time academic all-Big Ten.

2008 >> Junior Season

Second team all-Big Ten... hit .389 in conference play... had 44 hits in the conference... committed only three errors in conference play... hit .357 overall... recorded nine doubles... had four triples... was third on the team with three home runs... had 31 RBIs... recorded 17 stolen bases... set an Iowa single-season record, 20 hit-by-pitches... set the Iowa career hit-by-pitch record with 49... played third base and shortstop... was Iowa's leadoff hitter... recorded 17 multi-hit games... had four multi-RBI games... longest hitting streak of the season was 12 games... ranked second on the team in game-winning RBI (4)... recorded a season-high five RBI at Indiana (Apr. 12)... tied a season high of seven total bases against Ohio State (May 17)... hit .453 against left-handed pitchers... had an .846 slugging percentage with the bases loaded... swung the bat best in the fifth inning with a .500 batting average... named to the Music City Classic All-Tournament Team (Mar. 3)... academic all-Big Ten honoree.

2007 >> Sophomore Season

Saw action in 51 games, starting 49... made 48 starts at third base and one at shortstop... hit .342 over the last month... tied teammate Caleb Curry for Big Ten lead with seven sacrifice flies... had 14 multi-hit games and seven multi-RBI games... led the team with 15 hit by pitches... third on the team with 15 stolen bases... went 8-for-17 with eight runs scored and four RBIs in four-game series with Northwestern (Apr. 27-29)... went 3-for-5 with two RBIs and a double against Dallas Baptist (Mar. 16)... member of the Unity Council... academic all-Big Ten selection.

2006 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in 53 games, starting 44... made 39 starts at third base, two at shortstop and three as the designated hitter... hit .301 in conference play... had 13 multi-hit games... hit .380 with two outs... hit at every spot in the lineup but leadoff... went 6-for-8 with two RBIs and two runs scored in doubleheader with Northwestern (Apr. 30)... went 2-of-3 with a pair of doubles and three RBIs against North Dakota State (Apr. 19)... went 1-for-4 with an RBI in his first-career start (Feb. 25 vs. Illinois State).

High School

All-state nominee as a senior... two-time all-metro along with three-time all-conference and all-area... team captain as a senior... holds Triad record for home runs in a season (8)... hit .459 with eight home runs, 41 RBIs and 21 stolen bases as a senior... three-time legion all-star and was the 2005 legion player of the year.

Personal

Born 2/1/87... parents are Fred Hoef and Terri Hoef... finance major.

Career Statistics

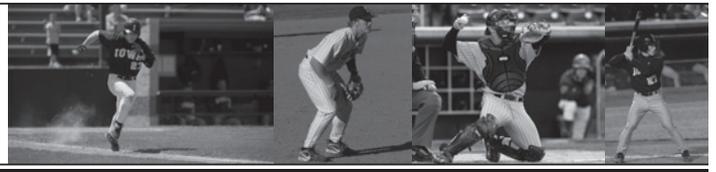
YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2006	.295	53	139	41	8	0	0	17
2007	.300	51	170	51	9	1	0	26
2008	.357	50	196	70	9	4	3	31
TOTALS	.321	154	505	162	26	5	3	74

From the Coaches Box

"Kevin is a very talented student-athlete that gives you everything he has, not only on the baseball field but also academically. Kevin has developed into an outstanding player that can beat you with his glove, bat and speed. Kevin has always played with intensity but over the years he has learned to play hard but also have fun and that's important."



Kody McManis
Senior -- Infield/Catcher **#27**
R/R, 6-0, 190
Bozeman, MT (Bozeman)



2008>> Junior Season

Appeared in 34 games, with 23 starts... was 5-for-10 against Minnesota (May 2-4) with two runs scored and two RBI... was 2-for-3 with three RBI and two walks at Michigan State (Apr. 26)... hit .313 on the year and .321 in the conference... 11 of his 13 RBI came during league play... was hit by a pitch the fifth-most of any Hawkeye (7)... recorded six multi-hit games... had a four-game hit streak during the season... played catcher, first base, third base and DH... was most successful against left-handed pitched having hit .367... hit .333 with runners in scoring position... in the sixth inning, hit .533 with two doubles... recorded two game-winning RBI.

2007>> Sophomore Season

Saw action in 11 games, including five starts at third base... went 1-of-3 in his first start against Northern Illinois (Apr. 18)... went 1-of-4 with an RBI against Illinois (Apr. 21)... did not make an error all season.

2006>> Freshman Season

Saw action in 17 games, starting 10... eight of his starts came during conference play... started eight games at third, one behind the plate and one as designated hitter... went 3-of-5 with three runs scored against North Dakota State (Apr. 19).

2005>> Medical Redshirt Season

Saw action in four games, including two starts... missed much of the season with a broken finger... went 1-of-2 with a run scored in first career start (vs. SMS, Mar. 6)... went 1-for-5 with three runs scored and an RBI against Rider (Mar. 14).

High School

Led his Bozeman High School team to the state tournament as a junior and senior... hit .571 including a home run at the state tournament as a senior... played for Big Sky Baseball for two years... National Honor Society Member... honor roll.

Personal

Born 12/5/85... parents are Kurt and Jena McManis... economics major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2005	.222	4	9	2	0	0	0	1
2006	.182	17	33	6	0	1	0	3
2007	.176	11	17	3	0	0	0	1
2008	.313	34	80	25	4	0	0	13
TOTALS	.259	66	139	36	4	1	0	58

From the Coaches Box

"Kody is an incredibly unselfish and hard-working player that understands and embraces his role in our program. Kody has developed into a very good defensive catcher after being an infielder his first three years in the program. Kody has battled injuries throughout his career and we look forward to him being healthy this spring and having a big impact on this team."

PLAYER BIOS



Mike Schurz
 Senior -- RHP
 R/R, 6-1, 195
 Norfolk, VA (Radford University)

#30



2008 >> Redshirted

Missed season recovering from Tommy John surgery.

2007 >> Junior Season

Served as Iowa's closer and had nine saves... led the team with six wins... made 24 appearances... had a 3.71 ERA in 29 innings... factored into the decision in 18 of 24 games... led the team with a 2.7/1 strikeout-to-walk ratio... struck out a season-high five batters in three innings, earning the win against Dallas Baptist (Mar. 16)... did not allow a run in his first eight appearances... allowed a run in only five appearances... did not allow a homerun in 21 appearances... held right-handed batters to a .206 batting average... suffered an elbow injury at the Corridor Classic against Northern Iowa (May 15) and missed the rest of the season.

Before Iowa

Pitched two years at Radford University.

High School

Three-time team MVP... two-time all-district... all-conference as a senior... also earned all-district honors in volleyball and golf.

Personal

Born 9/12/86... parents are Rob and Linda Schurz... health and sports studies major.

Statistics at Iowa

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2007	6-1	9	3.72	29	12	32	35

From the Coaches Box

"We are very excited about getting Mike back to be our closer. He was one of the best closers in the Big Ten two years ago before his injury and we believe he will be better than ever after watching him this fall."



Justin Toole
 Senior -- Infield
 R/R, 6-0, 173
 Council Bluffs, IA (Lewis Central)

#2



Hawk Items – Played summer ball in the Northwoods League for the Lacrosse Loggers... a two-time member of the Unity Council... 2009 team co-captain... named 2009 pre-season third team all-American shortstop by Ping Baseball... named to the 2009 Brooks Wallace Award Watch List... 2008 all-Region selection... 2007 and 2008 third team all-Big Ten honoree... 2008 Music City All-Tournament team... established school record with a 25-game hitting streak in 2008... two-time academic all-Big Ten honoree.

2008 >> Junior Season

All-Region honors... named third team all-Big Ten... hit .395 overall with a .390 clip in conference play... ranked in the top ten in nine statistical areas amongst Big Ten players... recorded 87 hits, a total that ranks second in Iowa single-season history... scored 63 runs, a total that ranks eighth in Iowa single-season annals... amassed 24 stolen bases, a total that ranks 12th in Iowa single-season history... tied Iowa single-game record with five singles vs. UNI in Iowa's win at the Corridor Classic (Apr. 30)... set a school record of 25 consecutive games with a hit... the streak was the longest in the Big Ten and seventh-longest in the country that season... recorded 15 multi-hit games... had nine multi-RBI games... played second base and shortstop... named to the Music City Classic All-Tournament Team (Mar. 2)... tied a single-season record for most at bats in a game with seven at Michigan State (Apr. 25)... had the most assists in a game with six at Indiana (Apr. 12)... hit .500 with a .625 slugging percentage with the bases loaded... had a .722 slugging percentage in the seventh inning... academic all-Big Ten honoree.

2007 >> Sophomore Season

Third team all-Big Ten selection as a second baseman... ranked in the top ten highest batting averages in the Big Ten... hit .374 in conference play... had 16 multi-hit games... hit .700 (7-for-10) with five RBIs and six runs scored in four-game series with Illinois (Apr. 20-22)... hit .515 (25-of-49) with 15 RBIs over a 14-game hitting streak (Apr. 20-May 11)... hit .426 with runners in scoring position... went 2-for-5 with a home run and three RBIs against Ohio State (Apr. 1)... was 3-for-4 with one RBI and a stolen base against Upper Iowa (May 2)... only Hawkeye to pitch and play the field... made four appearances on the mound, all in relief... earned his first career save in his first appearance of the year (Mar. 16 vs. Fresno State)... member of the Unity Council... academic all-Big Ten selection.

2006 >> Freshman Season

One of three Hawkeyes to pitch and play the field... started six games at second base, one at pitcher and one as the designated

hitter... also made 10 relief appearances on the mound... third on the team with a 2.86 ERA... got first career hit, RBI and run scored against IPFW (Mar. 25)... went 1-for-4 with an RBI and run scored against North Dakota State (Apr. 18)... made his first-career start at the Corridor Classic against Northern Iowa (Apr. 26), allowing just one run in four innings of work.

High School

2005 BCA/Louisville Slugger Iowa Player of the Year... 2005 Bob Feller Class 4A Pitcher of the Year... three-time first team all-state and two-time all-state Super Team member... four-time all-conference, all-district, all-city and all-western Iowa pick... two-time BCA all-district selection... career batting average of .420 with 102 RBIs and 103 stolen bases... posted a career record of 35-5 with a 0.88 ERA, 432 strikeouts and seven saves... holds school record for ERA in a season (0.51) and career (0.88), career shut-outs (15), hits in a season (64) and career stolen bases (103)... all-conference and all-city in football and basketball... all-city goalkeeper in soccer... National Honor Society member... graduated with honors.

Personal

Born 9/10/86... parents are Lee and Jeanine Toole... psychology and health and sports studies majors.

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2006	.083	11	24	2	0	0	0	2
2007	.367	48	147	54	11	2	1	34
2008	.395	55	220	87	15	4	0	49
TOTALS	.366	114	391	143	26	6	1	85

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2006	1-2	0	2.86	22	7	21	17
2007	0-0	1	15.43	2.1	4	9	1
TOTALS	1-2	1	4.11	24.1	11	30	18

From the Coaches Box

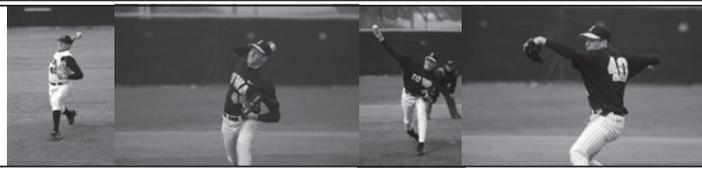
"Justin has turned himself into one of the best players in the Big Ten with an incredible work ethic and determination to be the best. Justin is one of the most consistent performers I have ever coached and he is also developing in to a very good leader that makes the players around him better."

PLAYER BIOS



Steve Turnbull
 Senior -- RHP
 R/R, 6-3, 190
 White Bear Lake, MN (WBL Area)

#40



2008 >> Junior Season

Saw action in 17 games, including seven starts... finished with a 3-5 record... had a 7.30 ERA in 40.2 innings pitched... got his first win of the season at Indiana having pitched one inning and allowing no runs... struck out 31 batters on the year, which was the third-most of any Iowa pitcher... nine opposing batters went down looking... had a 6.68 ERA in the conference... struck out 3-of-9 batters faced with the bases loaded.

2007 >> Sophomore Season

Made 13 starts on the mound... served as Iowa's Friday starter... led the team with 44 strikeouts... allowed two hits and struck out seven over seven innings in earning the win over North Dakota State (Mar. 23)... defeated nationally-ranked Notre Dame (Mar. 3) by allowing just two hits and one run over five and 1/3 innings.

2006 >> Freshman Season

Made 15 appearances with four starts... all four starts came during conference play... earned first career victory in Hawkeye debut (Feb. 24 vs. Austin Peay State)... allowed two hits and struck out four in three 2/3 scoreless innings of relief against Minnesota... threw two hitless innings of relief against Ohio State.

High School

All-state honorable mention as a senior... Minnesota Lion's all-Star MVP... hit a home run in his only prep at bat during an all-star game... three-time academic letterwinner.

Personal

Born 11/25/86... parents are Michael and Mary Jane Turnbull... mechanical engineering major.

Career Statistics

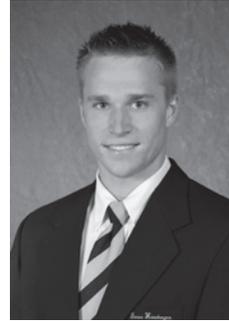
YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2006	1-2	0	5.82	34	22	38	22
2007	2-4	0	5.26	65	38	81	44
2008	3-5	0	7.30	40.2	33	50	31
TOTALS	6-11	0	5.99	139.2	93	169	97

From the Coaches Box

"Steve has had a very solid career for us mostly in the starting role. We are going to ask Steve to come out of the bullpen early in the year to take advantage of his dominate fastball. Steve is an incredibly talented athlete that just continues to get better on the mound."



Tyson Blaser
 Junior -- Catcher **#24**
 R/R, 6-2, 205
 Taylor Ridge, IL (Rockridge)



Ryan Durant
 Junior -- Outfield **#16**
 R/R, 6-1, 180
 Eldridge, IA (Iowa Central)

Hawk Item – Three-time Unity Council member... 2009 team co-captain... ISAAC.

2008 >> Sophomore Season

Played in 37 games, with 36 starts... finished the season with a .323 batting average... was 3-for-4 with a run scored, two RBI, two doubles and two walks against Minnesota (May 4)... hit .389 in the conference... had the team's fourth-highest on base percentage (.442)... was third on the team in doubles (10)... recorded seven multi-hit games... had four multi-RBI games... longest hitting streak was eight games... hit in six different spots of the line-up... tied for most doubles in a conference game with two against Minnesota (May 4)... recorded no errors in non-conference games... played catcher, left field and DH... had a .391 average with no runners on... academic all-Big Ten honoree.

2007 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in 10 games, including six starts... picked up his first collegiate hit against North Dakota State (Mar. 25), going 1-of-3 with a run scored and two RBIs... member of the Unity Council.

High School

Two-time all-state and four-time all-conference selection... 2006 Quad City Male Athlete of the Year... posted a .460 career batting average with 16 home runs, 116 RBIs and 70 stolen bases... holds Rockridge HS records in career batting average (.460), hits (186), runs scored (166), doubles (36) and triples (14)... also a three-time all-state and four-time all-conference selection and team MVP in basketball... three-time all-conference pick in football... holds school record for career passing yards.

Personal

Born 12/8/87... parents are Mel and Susan Blaser... history and secondary education major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2007	.100	10	20	2	0	0	0	4
2008	.323	37	96	31	10	0	0	14
TOTALS	.284	47	116	33	10	0	0	28

From the Coaches Box

"Tyson worked extremely hard over the fall and winter to get himself healthy after an injury plagued sophomore year. I believe Tyson will be one of the top offensive and defensive catchers in the Big Ten this year. Tyson also takes great pride in calling a good game and taking charge of our pitching staff."

Iowa Central

On the all-time top ten list in single-season triples and career hits, triples and RBI at Iowa Central junior college... played second base and center field in junior college... member of the conference and regional champion team his freshman year at Iowa Central...received all-region honors as a sophomore.

High School

Three-year all-conference honoree... named to the all-district team his junior and senior year... holds career hits, runs, doubles, triples, stolen bases and batting average at North Scott High School... single-season leader in doubles, triples and stolen bases at North Scott... part of the USSSA National Championship team with the Quad City Hitmen... member of the Super Series National Runnerup Quad City Hitment squad... four-year honor roll student.

Personal

Born 10/2/87... parents are Dale and Kathy Durant... high school coach was Blake Hanna... psychology major.

From the Coaches Box

"Ryan brings some experience to our outfield being a two-year starter at Iowa Central. He is a very good athlete that will cover a lot of ground in the outfield and he's also very talented, offensively. Ryan is battling for a starting outfield spot this spring."

PLAYER BIOS



Kyle Heim

Junior -- LHP
L/L, 6-4, 185
St. Joseph, MO (Benton)

#31

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Northwoods League for the Madison Mallards.

2008 >> Sophomore Season

Appeared in 26 games... recorded 37.1 innings of relief for the Hawkeyes... finished with a 2-1 record and one save... got his first collegiate save at Indiana (Apr. 12)... had the fifth-lowest ERA on the team (6.27)... was most successful with runners in scoring position and two outs... had the second highest win-loss percentage (.667)... second on the team in appearances (26)... finished five games for the Hawkeyes, which was the third most on the team.

2007 >> Freshman Season

Made 12 appearances, all in relief... made five consecutive relief appearances without giving up a run (Apr. 17-Apr. 29)... threw two and 2/3 innings of scoreless relief in Iowa's 10-4 win over Illinois (Apr. 21).

High School

First team all-state selection by coaches and sportswriters as a senior... also a first team all-conference and all-district pick... first team all-conference and all-district pitcher as a junior... two-time second team all conference as an outfielder... posted a 24-3 record with 184 strikeouts in final three seasons... also a three-time first team all-conference and all-district in cross country, and a two-time all-conference pick in basketball.

Personal

Born 9/30/87... parents are Mike and Lori Heim... accounting major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2007	0-2	0	9.33	18.1	19	24	8
2008	2-1	1	6.27	37.1	26	40	18
TOTALS	2-3	1	7.27	55.2	45	64	26

From the Coaches Box

"I believe that Kyle is going to have an outstanding season for us coming out of the bullpen. He has had two solid seasons for us and I believe he is ready to take that next step."



Michael Jacobs

Junior -- LHP
L/L, 6-0, 180
Lenexa, KS (St. Thomas Aquaria)

#19

Hawk Item – 2009 team captain... Unity Council.

2008 >> Sophomore Season

Appeared in 12 contests, with 11 starts... was second on the team in innings having recorded 55.2... finished with a 3-5 record... started the most games of any Iowa pitcher... pitched six solid innings and got the win at No. 5 Vanderbilt (Mar. 1)... was most successful against left-handed batters allowing a .271 average... member of the Unity Council... academic all-Big Ten honoree.

2007 >> Freshman Season

Made 19 appearances, including two starts... posted a perfect 3-0 record... earned a win in his first two collegiate appearances... in his collegiate debut against Fresno State (Mar. 16), allowed two runs and five hits in four innings, striking out seven... earned his third win by allowing one run in two innings against Northwestern (Apr. 27)... earned his first-career save by allowing just one hit in 2/3 inning against Michigan (May 19).

High School

Named 2006 Kansas Pitcher of the Year and was a first team all-metro, all-county and all-state pitcher... also named first team Eastern-Kansas League, first team all-Sun Country and the 2006 all-Sun Country Player of the Year... two-time team MVP... missed his junior season after breaking his leg during basketball... went 10-1 with a 0.99 ERA and 82 strikeouts as a senior... holds school records for single season ERA (0.99), wins (10) and strikeouts (82), along with a school record career ERA... honor roll.

Personal

Born 12/18/87... parents are Mary and Jim Jacobs... finance major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2007	3-0	1	4.91	40.1	22	47	23
2008	3-5	0	6.63	55.2	41	73	18
TOTALS	6-5	1	5.90	96	63	120	41

From the Coaches Box

"Mike is one of the hardest workers in the program and he gets the most out of his ability. He is a great competitor and he will always give us a chance to win. We anticipate Mike being in the starting rotation again this spring."



Zach Robertson
Junior -- RHP
R/R, 6-1, 195
Des Moines, IA (Iowa Central) **#17**

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in Northwoods League for the Rochester Honkers.

Iowa Central

Unanimous first team all-conference selection... awarded first team all-district... was on the 2007 conference champion squad... led the team in strikeouts in 2008 with 82... had a 4.50 ERA to end his sophomore year... threw four complete games to lead the Tritons in 2008... named an academic all-American... played for the Rochester Honkers in summer of 2007 and 2008... was named Most Inspirational Player in 2007... named Pitcher of the Year in 2008... was a Northwoods all-star selection.

High School

Three-time first team all-conference selection... received two first-team all-district laurels... named to elite all-state team as a senior... second team all-state as a junior... combined for over 232 strikeouts in his career at Des Moines Lincoln, making him the career strikeout leader... holds single-season strikeout record with 156 in 2006... holds the record for two perfect games in a season... combined for a 32-4 record in his high school career... was on three conference winning Lincoln teams... was a part of the state runner-up Lincoln squad in 2004.

Personal

Born 7/27/88... parents are Burce and Sara Robertson... high school coach Alec Quijano... health and sports studies major.

From the Coaches Box

“Zach is a talented left-handed pitcher that brings a lot of experience from Iowa Central Junior College and also for pitching in the Northwoods Summer League. Zach will be battling for a spot in our rotation this spring and he should throw a lot of innings for us.”



Zach Kenyon
Sophomore -- RHP
R/R, 6-6, 190
Davenport, IA (Central) **#44**

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Cape Cod League for the Bourne Braves.

2008 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in 19 games, with seven starts... finished with a 7.52 ERA... pitched the fifth-most innings of any Hawkeye with 40.2... appeared the fourth most of any Hawkeye with 19... pitched the fourth-most games of relief (12)... picked up the win in Iowa's 8-3 triumph at Creighton (Apr. 16)... picked off three runners... was most successful when runners were in scoring position and there were two outs he only allowed one extra base hit in those instances.

High School

A ninth-round draft pick for the Kansas City Royals... first team all-conference and all-district two years... second team all-state his junior season... was a Louisville Slugger pre-season all-American honoree... recipient of the Bob Feller 4A Pitcher of the Year award... elite all-state selection his senior year... posted a 10-2 record his senior campaign... tied state tournament record with 14 strikeouts in a game his senior season... was a part of two Davenport Central conference champion teams... earned four letters in basketball and received second team all-conference honors... is second on high school's record book for rebounds in a game with 21.

Personal

Born 12/5/88... parents are Tom and Jill Kenyon... Uncle Art Kenyon played in the Milwaukee Braves organization... open major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2008	1-3	0	7.52	40.2	34	52	21

From the Coaches Box

“Zach had a very good fall and will be in our starting rotation. He continues to make steady progress with his secondary pitches and should have a very good year.”

PLAYER BIOS



Kevin Lee
 Sophomore -- RHP/C **#17**
 R/R, 6-4, 195
 Oak Lawn, IL (Richards)



Tony Manville
 Sophomore-- RHP **#39**
 R/R, 6-3, 170
 New Lenox, IL (Mount Carmel)

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Central Illinois Col-
 legiate League for the Quincy Gems.

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Central Illinois Col-
 legiate League for the Dupage Dragons.

2008 >> Freshman Season

Appeared in four games of relief... finished with a 9.00 ERA...
 allowed the least amount of earned runs of any Hawkeye,
 only allowing four... only walked two... allowed no triples...
 batters only hit .200 when the bases were empty... allowed
 no extra base hits or walks to the lead off an inning.

2008 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in 16 games, with seven starts... finished with
 a 1-1 record... pitched 38.0 innings... got his first colligate
 start against Western Illinois (Mar. 25)... pitched four in-
 nings in a start at Michigan (Mar. 30) and allowed no earned
 runs... never balked... finished with a 6.63 ERA... oppo-
 nents only hit .259 when runners were in scoring position
 with two outs... allowed no extra base hits when the bases
 were loaded.

High School

Earned all-conference honors his senior season... team
 captain... batted .300 and went 7-1 from the mound his se-
 nior campaign... Illinois State scholar... four-year honors
 with distinction... graduated with a 5.0/4.0 GPA and in top 5
 percent of his class... National Honor Society member.

High School

Two-time first team all-conference honoree... four-year team
 captain and MVP... finished with a 27-8 career record with
 eight saves... had a 7-3 record with a 1.94 ERA and 77 strike-
 outs in 72 innings pitched his senior campaign... was part of
 the Mount Carmel conference champion teams in 2005 and
 2007... earned two varsity letters in golf... graduated with
 high honors... National Honor Society member.

Personal

Born 8/14/89... parents are Steve and Diane Lee... busi-
 ness major.

Personal

Born 3/29/89... parents are Tony and Peggy Manville... his-
 tory major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2008	0-0	0	9.00	4	4	9	2

Career Statistics

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2008	1-1	0	6.63	38	28	55	20

From the Coaches Box

*“Kevin came into our program as a catcher but is now mak-
 ing the transition to pitcher. We believe that he can be a
 valuable asset coming out of the bullpen this year. Kevin
 has a very good arm and he is a very competitive person.”*

From the Coaches Box

*“I am really excited about the continued improvements I have
 seen from Tony this year, both physically and mentally. Tony
 will pitch a lot of valuable innings this spring for us either as
 a starter or reliever.”*



Zach McCool
Sophomore -- Infield **#25**
R/R, 5-7, 165
Manchester, IA (West Delaware)

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Iowa Valley League for Fairfax.

2008 >> Freshman Season

Appeared in 21 games, with 13 starts... first collegiate hit was at Stetson (Mar. 19)... first collegiate start was at Missouri State (Mar. 9)... hit .326 on the year and .324 in the conference... played either second base or DH... hit .600 with runners in scoring position and two outs... hit .800 when pinch hitting going 4-for-5 with three RBI... hit .500 in the ninth inning... had three multi-hit games... recorded a four-game hit streak.

High School

Earned second team all-conference and team defensive MVP his sophomore year... offensive MVP his junior season... first team all-conference, all-district and all-state his junior and senior seasons... first team academic all-state... batted .408 with 47 RBI, 18 SB, a 4-0 record, 40 strikeouts and a 1.62 ERA his senior campaign... part of the 2007 3A state and conference champion West Delaware team... placed first, second, sixth and eighth at state in wrestling... a four-time wrestling conference champion... had most pins and most wins as a freshman... four year honor roll student... posted a 3.867 GPA... student council president... National Honor Society member.

Personal

Born 5/31/89... parents are Bill and Tami McCool... played with teammate Phil Keppler at West Delaware High School... health and sports studies major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2008	.326	21	46	15	2	0	0	9

From the Coaches Box

"Zach brings a tough-minded mentality to the field everyday and loves to compete. He gained some valuable playing experience last year and has the inside track at the second base position this spring."



Kurtis Muller
Sophomore -- Outfield **#28**
R/R, 5-10, 165
Sun Prairie, WI (Sun Prairie)

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Iowa Valley League for the Quincy Gems... Freshman All-American... Unity Council

2008 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in 54 games, with 51 starts... first collegiate hit was against Notre Dame (Feb. 23) where he went 2-for-3 with two runs scored, an RBI and two walks... had eight sacrifice bunts... hit the second-most home runs of any Hawkeye (4)... was second on the team with five sacrifice flies... set a true freshman record with 47 RBI, which was the third most on the team... named to the Ping Baseball all-freshman team... hit by 14 pitches, which ranks fourth in Iowa's single-season history books... stole 14 bases... first collegiate home run was vs. Purdue (Apr. 5)... went 7-for-16 with five runs scored, three RBI and two doubles against Minnesota (May 2-4)... hit .323 on the year for the fifth-best average on the team... had the fifth-best slugging percentage (.461)... had a .435 on base percentage... hit .353 in the conference with a .520 slugging percentage... recorded 15 multi-hit games... had eight multi-RBI games... played left field, center field and DH... was the Hawkeyes' five-hole hitter most the year... had a season-high eight-game hitting streak... hit .444 with the bases loaded with a .778 slugging percentage... collected three game-winning RBI.

High School

Broke school records in season stolen bases (19), career stolen bases (45), career hits (82), season triples (4) and career triples (7)... earned team MVP, first team all state, conference player of the year, District 5 player of the year and American Legion male athlete of the year honors his senior season... member of two state champion teams.

Personal

Born 7/7/89... parents are Greg and Martha Muller... open major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2008	.323	54	167	54	9	1	4	47

From the Coaches Box

"Kurtis is one of our most talented players physically, but what impresses me the most is his mental approach he brings to the field everyday. Kurtis treats every practice and game the same way, which allows him to be a clutch and consistent performer."

PLAYER BIOS



Jeff Pacha

Sophomore -- OF/LHP
L/L, 5-10, 170
Iowa City, IA (Regina)

#4



Patrick Schatz

Sophomore -- RHP
R/R, 6-0, 160
McHenry, IL (McHenry West)

#20

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Iowa Valley League for the Cedar Rapids Cougars.

2008 >> Freshman Season

Saw action in 13 games, with one start... got his first collegiate hit at Penn State (May 10)... appeared in seven games as a pitcher, with one start... finished with a 1-0 record... received his first win against Valparaiso (May 6)... had a 4.50 ERA with 10 innings pitched... was most effective against left handed hitters allowing only a .154 batting average... allowed no extra base hits with runners in scoring position... had the team's lowest opposing batting average with a .225... was tied for second with the least amount of hits allowed (9)... allowed no home runs.

High School

Three-time first team all-state, all-district and all conference honoree... school record leader in doubles in a season and career strikeouts with a total of 248... posted a .505 batting average his senior year with 36 RBI and 20 steals... part of the 2005 and 2006 legion state champion squads and was the 2006 state tournament MVP runner up... was starting receiver on 2005 state championship football team... three-year state track qualifier and place winner... 4x100 state champion in 2006... school record holder in 4x100, 4x200, 4x400... IHSAA Bernie Saggan Award Winner in 2007 from... National Honor Society member.

Personal

Born 3/16/89... parents are Matt and Elaine Pacha... business major.

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2008	.167	11	6	1	0	0	0	1

YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2008	1-0	0	4.50	10	5	9	6

From the Coaches Box

"I really like the versatility Jeff brings to our roster. He is a left-handed hitting outfielder with good speed and defensive ability along with being a left-handed pitcher that throws a lot of strikes."

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the KITTY League for the Union City Grey Hounds.

2008 >> Redshirt Freshman Season

Saw action in 10 games... was one of nine Hawkeyes to record a save... got his first collegiate save against Rutgers (Mar. 16) having got the final out of the game... went 2.1 innings and allowed no earned runs against Northwestern (Apr. 20)... stuck out four and allowed no earned runs in 2.1 innings against Minnesota (May 4)... got first collegiate strike out against Minnesota (May 4)... allowed no home runs... didn't allow a extra base hit when runners were in scoring position and there were two outs.

2007 – Redshirted

High School

Posted a career record of 13-1... missed part of his junior year and all of his senior season with an injury... traveled to Australia on a Goodwill Series Team in December of 2004... also lettered in basketball... honor roll.

Personal

Born 8/16/87... parents are Sig and Patty Schatz... interdepartmental studies major.

Career Statistics

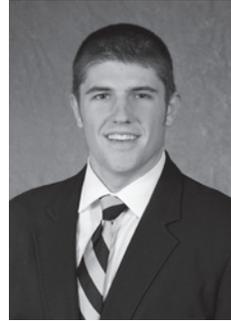
YEAR	W-L	SV	ERA	IP	ER	H	SO
2008	0-0	0	6.97	10.1	8	16	4

From the Coaches Box

"Patrick had a very good fall for us and he should have an important role either as a starter or middle reliever. We have been impressed with Patrick's steady improvement each year that he has been in the program."



Trevor Willis
 Sophomore -- IF/OF **#6**
 L/R, 6-3, 180
 Homer Glen, IL (Lockport)



Patrick Brennan
 Freshman -- LHP **#37**
 L/L, 6-2, 193
 E. Falmouth, MS (Gunnery)

Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Great Lakes League for the Grand Lake Mariners.

Hawk Item – Unity Council.

2008 >> Freshman Season

Appeared in 21 games, with 10 starts... started nine games as the DH... was 2-for-3 with a run scored and a double in his college debut at Missouri State (Mar. 9)... recorded two multi-hit games... had a three-game hitting streak... played DH or left field... batted .333 against left-handed pitchers with a .667 slugging percentage... was most successful in the eighth inning with a .333 batting average... had one game-winning RBI.

High School

Two-time all-conference selection... named team's best pitcher his sophomore and senior seasons... team captain... posted a 4-0 record with a 1.66 ERA and 66 strikeouts as a senior... was on the 2007 Gunnery High School conference championship team... was the No. 23 ranked player in Massachusetts by PG Crosschecker... played three years of legion baseball for Sandwich, MS...received four letters in football... an all-conference football selection as a senior... part of the conference champion team his senior season in football... was a four-year letter winner in basketball...team captain in both basketball and football...was the "Male Athlete Cup" winner in high school... class president... won the "Gunnery Cup"... was on the student government... participated in the environment and radio club... played the piano.

High School

Posted a .319 batting average and was an all-conference selection his senior season... earned three varsity letters in baseball... was part of two Lockport High School conference champion teams... played for the Illinois Traveling Sparks... earned two letters in football and was a team captain his senior season.

Personal

Born 12/29/1989... parents are Cheryl and Cliff Brennan... high school coach was Jeff Trundy... pre-business major.

Personal

Born 6/19/89... parents are Jeff and Bonnie Willis... art major.

From the Coaches Box

"Patrick is a left-handed pitcher that keeps hitters off balance. He is an incredibly mature young player that bring some great leadership skills to the freshman class."

Career Statistics

YEAR	BA	G	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI
2008	.211	21	38	8	3	1	0	3

From the Coaches Box

"Trevor is our most improved player in the program after the fall semester. It does not matter if you are talking about speed, strength, academics or baseball he has made huge strides. We are going to take advantage of Trevors athleticism and move him to the outfield this spring -- which is similar to what Travis Sweet and Caleb Curry did for us in previous years."

PLAYER BIOS

Nick Brown

Freshman -- RHP/DH
R/R, 6-3, 245
Warrenville, IL (Wheaton-Warrenville S.)

#35

**High School**

A three-time all-conference honoree... earned all-area laurels his junior and senior seasons... two-time all-state honorable mention... was ranked the No. 15 player in the state of Illinois by PG Crosschecker... named team MVP as a freshman... received most valuable pitcher award as a freshman... hit .427 with 36 RBI and 12 stolen bases his senior campaign... on the bump, he had a 1.72 ERA with 54 strikeouts as a senior... compiled a 6-3 record with a 2.02 ERA and 89 strikeouts his junior season... led 2007 Wheaton-Warrenville South team to first sectional title... played on the Illinois Sparks for two years... was a part of the national-runner up Sparks squad in 2008... received one letter in football... member of the Wheaton-Warrenville South state football runner-up squad in 2007.

Personal

Born/10/8/89... parents are William and Dottie Brown... high school coach was Tim Brylka... open major.

From the Coaches Box

"Nick is another talented freshman pitcher that has a bright future. He is a power pitcher with a good feel for his secondary stuff. The coaching staff is still amazed at Nick's athleticism and feel for the game."

Dallas Burke

Freshman -- Catcher
L/R, 6-1, 193
Davenport, IA (Central)

#26

**High School**

Two-time all-conference honoree... made first-team all-district as a senior... second team all-state selection... made second team all-district as a junior... participated in the Iowa High School Baseball All-Star Series... boasted a .435 batting average with 22 RBI and 17 stolen bases his senior campaign... was on two conference winning Davenport Central teams... member of three state qualifying squads... named to the all-Metro team at linebacker... received all-league honors at running back and linebacker... qualified for the 4x100 at the Drake Relays... received the Jerry Jurgens Scholarship... senior class president... co-sports editor of the *Davenport Central* paper.

Personal

Born 2/10/90... parents are Mike and Deb Burke... father played football under Hayden Fry (1985-1987)... high school coach was Jay Ryan... played with teammate Zach Kenyon at Davenport Central... history major.

From the Coaches Box

"Dallas gained some valuable experience this fall getting a chance to catch everyday in intra squads. We are excited about his future behind that plate and also the fact that he is a talented left-handed hitter."

Andrew Ewing

Freshman -- Infield
R/R, 5-11, 175
Iowa City, IA (West)

#36

**High School**

Conference player of the year as a senior... two-time first team all-state selection... was a three-time first team all-conference honoree... was the No. 19 ranked player in the state of Iowa by PG Crosschecker... two-time first team all-district... hit .504 with nine home runs, 58 RBI and 13 stolen bases his senior campaign... went 3-0 with a 3.78 ERA as a senior pitcher... holds the single-season and career RBI record at Iowa City West High... also set records in single-season and career home runs (21)... member of the 2005 state qualifying Iowa City West team... was on the 2006 and 2007 Mississippi Valley Conference champion squads... participated on the Johnson County legion 2006 and 2007 state champions club.

Personal

Born 12/13/89... parents are Joe and Brenda Ewing... high school coach was Charlie Stumpff... open major.

From the Coaches Box

"Andrew had a very solid fall for us and we believe he has a future in our program. Andrew is a very talented offensive player that can play anywhere on the field. He will be a valuable utility player early in his career."

Sean Flanagan
 Freshman -- RHP/Utility **#15**
 R/R, 6-3, 185
 Downers Grove, IL (Downers Grove North)



High School

Earned all-conference honors his junior and senior season... a two-time all-area selection... ranked No. 20 in the state of Illinois by PG Crosschecker... played for Longshots Baseball for seven years... played two years of football... an academic all-conference honoree... honor roll student throughout high school.

Personal

Born 1/25/90... parents are Michael and Suzanne Flanagan... high school coach was Chad Isaacson... open major.

From the Coaches Box

"Sean had a solid fall season both on the mound and at the plate. He will be a legitimize two-way player in our program over the next four years. Sean should get some valuable innings out of the bullpen this spring."

Cory Glieden
 Freshman -- Infield **#1**
 L/R, 6-0, 170
 Chaska, MN (Chaska)



High School

Two-time all-conference selection... all-state honoree his senior season... ranked No. 14 in the state of Minnesota by PG Crosschecker... an all-state honorable mention his junior season... honorable mention all-conference selection as a sophomore... team captain in 2008 season... holds the school record in career stolen bases at Chaska High School.

Personal

Born 12/14/89... parents are Kim and Sandy Glieden... high school coach was Troy Stein... pre-business major.

From the Coaches Box

"Cory was slowed this fall with an injury but still showed us that he is going to be a talented middle infielder in our program. We like that he is a left-handed hitter with speed that could develop into a very good defensive threat, as well."

Jarred Hippen
 Freshman -- LHP **#32**
 L/L, 6-3, 190
 Rock Falls, IL (Rock Falls)



High School

Played on the Illinois Sparks... was an all-conference selection... named all-state as a senior... ranked No. 19 player in state of Illinois by PG Crosschecker... awarded team MVP as a senior... received the team's pitching and batting awards in 2008... team captain his senior season... holds the record for most strikeouts in a single-season for Rock Falls High School... in the record books for most wins in a season and career... part of the Rock Falls state runner-up squad in 2008... participated in four conference champion teams... received four letters in golf as the team's number one... named team MVP three-consecutive years... finished 11th at state his senior year.

Personal

Born 11/28/89... parents are Ryan and Trisha Hippen... high school coach was Donnie Chappell... open major.

From the Coaches Box

"Jarred had a great fall and he has continued to show us he has a good feel for pitching. Jarred will be coming out of the bullpen early in the year, but I believe he will make a push for a spot in the starting rotation sometime during the season."

PLAYER BIOS

Andrew Host

Freshman -- Outfield
R/R, 6-1, 180
Altoona, IA (Southern Polk)

#21



High School

Two-time first team all-conference selection... two-time first team all-district honoree... received first team all-state laurels his junior and senior season... voted onto the super team all-state... named all-state 4A captain... hit .450 with 40 RBI and 11 stolen bases his senior campaign... from the hill, he went 4-0 with a .244 ERA and 33 strikeouts his junior and senior season combined... participated in the Altoona Aquasox... played with the Iowa Miracle and was on the 2003 state champion team... member of the Iowa Junior Select Team... participated in the Iowa High School All-Star Series... received two academic letters... earned the Bernie Saggau Award... awarded the Brad Kiester Scholarship... National Honor Society member... National Council of Youth Leadership member.

Personal

Born 6/28/90... parents are Chuck and Pam Host... high school coach was Scott Belyer... integrative physiology major.

From the Coaches Box

"We are excited about Andrew's future in the program. He made huge strides this fall in all areas of his game and should become a very good player for us."

Nic Jensen

Redshirt Freshman -- LHP
L/L, 6-1, 180
Appleton, WI (East)

#33



Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Great Lakes League for the Grand Lake Mariners.

2008 -- Redshirted

High School

Two-time all-conference... team captain of Appleton High School his senior season... played with the Midwest Blazers Scout Team his senior year... also lettered three years in football... Honor Roll student and a member of the Spanish Honor Society.

Personal

Born 8/8/88... parents are Gary and Jody Jensen... high school coach was Dan Heinritz... pre-business major.

From the Coaches Box

"Nic worked hard this fall on changing his arm slot and he has a chance to become a situational lefty out of the bullpen. I really liked the fact that even with the changes we have made, Nic continues to be a strike thrower."

Phil Keppler

Redshirt Freshman -- OF/1B
L/R, 6-4, 184
Manchester, IA (West Delaware)

#3



Hawk Item – Played summer ball in the Iowa Valley League for Fairfax.

2008 — Redshirted

High School

First team all-conference three years... two-time first team all-district and all-state selection... three-time gold glove award winner... team captain his senior year... senior all-star series honoree... had a .490 batting average with 13 RBI and a .86 ERA with a 5-0 record his senior campaign... played only 20 games his senior year due to a broken wrist sustained in the second game of the year... set a school record in hits in a season (67)... part of the 2007 3A state and conference champion West Delaware team... earned two letters in basketball and received all-conference honors his senior year... honor roll student.

Personal

Born 8/11/88... parents are Steve and Gloria Keppler... played with teammate Zach McCool at West Delaware High School... open major.

From the Coaches Box

"Phil redshirted last year and he took that time to get stronger and to put weight on his 6-4 frame. He had a good fall and will battle for playing time in the outfield, first and DH."

Mike McQuillan

Freshman -- Infield
R/R, 5-11, 165
Evergreen Park, IL (Brother Rice)

#13

**High School**

Earned four years of all-conference honors... an all-district selection all four years... two-time team MVP... received honor of being on first team all-state his senior year... second team all-state his junior year... was ranked No. 47 in the state of Illinois by PG Crosschecker... two-time team captain... holds the records for single-season total bases, hits and runs scored... member of the state qualifying Brother Rice team in 2007... played on the Illinois Sparks from 2006-2008... earned two letters in football as the punter, kicker and quarterback.

Personal

Born 10/2/89... parents are Robert and Karyn McQuillan... high school coach was Tim Lyons... open major.

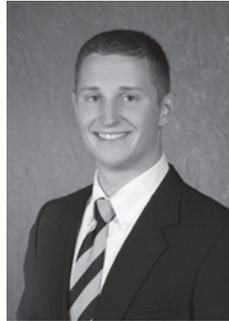
From the Coaches Box

"Mike is another talented left-handed hitting infielder that is battling for playing time at second base and also left-field. Mike is going to be an outstanding offensive player for us and I have been extremely impressed by his progress, defensively."

Phil Schreiber

Freshman -- RHP
R/R, 6-0, 190
Kaukauna, WI (Kaukauna)

#22

**High School**

Two-time first team all-conference honoree... named Gatorade Player of the Year as a senior... named Louisville Slugger player of the year in Wisconsin... was the No. 2 ranked player in the state of Wisconsin by PG Crosschecker... MVP pitcher as a junior... an honorable mention all-state selection as a junior... two-time team captain... hit .366 and compiled a 4-2 record with 50 strikeouts and a 1.75 ERA during his senior campaign... finished his high school career with 118 strikeouts... member of the 2008 Kaukauna High squad, who finished second in AA state... participated on the Midwest Blazers and Midwest Stars.

Personal

Born 12/05/89... parents are Norb and Sue Schreiber... high school coach was Aarron Geitner... open major.

From the Coaches Box

"I have been very impressed by Phil's approach to the field and to his workouts everyday. He is a very driven person that has a bright future in baseball. Phil will start the year coming out of the bullpen but as he gains experience he will be playing for a spot in our rotation."

Chett Zeise

Freshman -- IF/OF
R/R, 5-11, 185
Green Bay, WI (Notre Dame Academy)

#5

**High School**

Three-time first team all-conference honoree... co-player of the year his senior season... first team all-state selection his senior year... ranked No. 8 player in the state of Wisconsin by PG Crosschecker... four-time team captain... team MVP his sophomore through senior years... earned second team all-conference accolades as a freshman... holds records in career hits and homeruns at Notre Dame Academy... was on four conference champion teams... played for the Midwest Blazers for two years... participated on the Midwest Stars team... played for the Illinois Sparks his senior summer... earned three letters in basketball... a four-year honor roll student... National Honor Society member... winner of the U.S. Army National Guard Scholar/Athlete Award.

Personal

Born 12/14/89... parents are Mark and Cheryl Zeise... high school coach Andy Conard... open major.

From the Coaches Box

"Chett put himself in position this fall to be in the lineup on a regular basis. He has a very good feel for the game and could play any position in the infield or outfield."