# 1988-1989 IOWA BASKETBALL



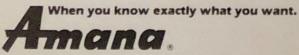
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### THE OPENING TIP



Shanda Berry begins her senior year as a pre-season all- American and the top returning scorer on the Hawkeye roster.

# Leading the Nation

In just five years, The University of Iowa basketball program has claimed the national spotlight and proven its individuals as the best in the country. Michelle Edwards ended her golden four- year career by earning the 1988 Champion Player of the Year honor, becoming the first Hawkeye to be named a firstteam all- American and a three-time all-Big Ten choice. Head Coach C. Vivian Stringer also won national praise as the Converse Div. I Coach of the Year. Franthea Price earned all-Big Ten honors, while Shanda Berry was named to the second team and Jolette Law to the honorable mention squad. Last summer, Law competed on the silver medal- winning U.S. entry to the Jones Cup Games in Taiwan.

Hawkeye Schedule

Ha	W	keye Scheat	це
Nov.	25	at Hawaii Tournament	t
		Iowa vs Wyoming	
Nov.	26	at Hawaii Tournament	
Nov.	27	at Hawaii Tournament	t
Dec.	2	at Kansas Dial Soap C	lassic
		Iowa vs Grambling Sta	ate
Dec.	3	at Kansas Dial Soap C	lassic
Dec.	7	IOWA STATE	8 p.m.
Dec.	10	AMANA-HAWKEYE	
		Iowa vs Miami of Ohio	
		Wake Forest vs. Illinoi	
Dec.	11	AMANA-HAWKEYE	
		Consolation Final 12 p	
		Championship Final 2	-
Dec.	22	OREGON STATE	7:30 p.m.
Dec.	28	at Miami Orange Bowl	Classic
		Iowa vs. Oklahoma	
Dec.	29	at Miami Orange Bowl	
Dec.	30	at Miami Orange Bowl	
Jan.	6	MICHIGAN	7:30 p.m.
Jan.	8	MICHIGAN STATE	3 p.m.
Jan.	13	at Illinois	
Jan.	15	OHIO STATE	3 p.m.
Jan	18	at Drake	
Jan.	21	MINNESOTA	3 p.m.
Jan.	27	INDIANA	7:30 p.m.
Jan.	29	at Purdue	
Feb.	3	at Wisconsin	
Feb.	5	at Northwestern	
Feb.	10	PURDUE	7:35 p.m.
Feb.	12	ILLINOIS	1 p.m.
Feb.	17	at Minnesota	
Feb.	21	at Ohio State	
Feb.	24	at Indiana	
Mar.	3	NORTHWESTERN	7 p.m.
Mar.	5	WISCONSIN	1:30 p.m.
Mar.	9	at Michigan	
Mar.	11	at Michigan State	

Home games in CAPS
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# **IOWA vs. MINNESOTA**

# Today's Game

Saturday, Jan. 21, 3 p.m. Carver-Hawkeye Arena

The Minnesota Golden Gophers are Iowa's longest-standing Big Ten Conference rivals. The teams have met 23 times since the first encounter in 1974. The Hawkeyes lead the series 12-11, but trailed miserably until C. Vivian Stringer took over in 1983. Upon her arrival, the Golden Gophers dominated the series 10-3. Stringer lost her first contest against Minnesota 57-55, but has since won nine straight.

The fifth-ranked Hawkeyes bring an unmarred 4-0 Big Ten Conference mark into today's contest and sit atop the league standings. Iowa opened its Big Ten schedule with back-to-back 40-point wins over Michigan and Michigan State, picked up its first conference road win over Illinois, and outlasted its arch rival Ohio State, 84-70.

Four Hawkeyes boast double-figure scoring averages. Shanda Berry leads this crew with a 17.2 average per outing. Close behind is Franthea Price, 15.8, Jolette Law, 14.4, and Robin Christian, 11.9.

Berry, who also leads the team in rebounding with a 9.3 average, was honored as this week's Big Ten player of the week. The senior center compiled 37 points, 18 rebounds, five steals, and three assists in Iowa's wins over the Illini and Buckeyes. She grabbed nine rebounds against Illinois, a total which moved her into sixth place on Iowa's all-time rebounding charts. Today, Berry needs only two rebounds to reach the 500-mark for her career.

The Gophers are 1-3 in Big Ten play with a win over Michigan and losses to Illinois, Purdue, and Michigan State. Sophomore forward Ellen Kramer leads Minnesota's scoring and rebounding with 16.2 and 10.1 averages respectively. Jennifer Hall is shooting at a 13.6 points-per-game clip, and



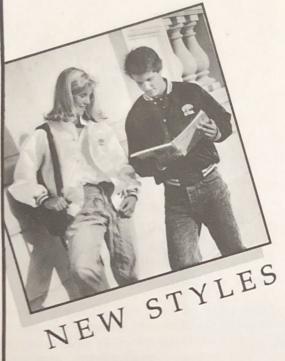
LaRue Fields Gopher Head Coach

Lea Blackwell is closing in with a 12.3 average.

LaRue Fields is in her second year at the helm of the Gopher basketball program. Last season, she guided Minnesota to a 5-13 Big Ten record, the school's most league wins since 1985. Prior to joining the Gopher staff, Fields served for seven years as the head coach at Morgan State. At Morgan, Fields compiled a 123-61 record and was named the 1981 Division II Coach of the Year after leading the squad to a 24-4 mark.

The Hawkeyes complete their January homestand, Friday, the 27th against Indiana. Tipoff is set for 7:30 p.m.

# Creating a New Tradition





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## HAWKEYE SPOTLIGHT

#### **Katie Abrahamson**

6-2, Junior, Forward; Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington High School, University of Georgia)

Katie Abrahamson has certainly beaten the odds. Most collegiate players will never know the thrill of playing for a top fiverated team or winning a conference championship. The junior from Cedar Rapids has gotten a double-dose of these accomplishments as a member of not only one, but two of the nation's most-highly regarded women's basketball programs.

In 1985, as one of the most-heralded players to emerge from the Iowa high school ranks, Abrahamson chose to further her basketball career at the Southeastern Conference powerhouse Georgia. There she played on the Bulldog squad that won the league title her rookie season and finished the year ranked No. 2 on the polls. The squad finished second in the league race her sophomore year and lost in the NCAA post-season regional semi-finals to the Hawkeyes.

The lure of her home state proved too strong, however, and Abrahamson returned to Iowa to join the Hawkeye squad in the fall of 1987. Due to NCAA transfer regulations, Abrahamson was required to sit out last season, but retains two years of eligibility for the Hawkeyes.

The 6-2 forward has seen action in every contest this year and has started four. She averages 4.5 points and 2.8 rebounds per outing. Heading into this week's action her best showing came at the Kansas Dial Soap Classic, Dec. 2-3, when she scored a seasonhigh 14 points against Grambling State in the opening round and grabbed a seasonbest seven rebounds in the championship contest with Kansas.

Iowa Items: Iowa native returned to the Hawkeye state in 1987 after playing two year for the Georgia Bulldogs...sat out last season due to the NCAA transfer rule...joined Iowa teammate Shanda Berry on the National Sports Festival team.

At Georgia: Started for the Georgia squad that fell to Iowa 62-60 in the semi-



Katie Abrahamson

final game of the 1987 NCAA Midwest Region...Abrahamson scored four points and grabbed three rebounds in 29 minutes of play against the Hawkeyes...averaged 6.9 points and 3.9 rebounds during her two-year stint as a Bulldog...averaged 9.1 points and 5.1 rebounds in 1986-87...started in 29 of 32 contests her final year at Georgia...shot 46% from the field and 81% from the line at Georgia.

In high school: A 1985 USA Today first-team high school all-American after leading Cedar Rapids Washington to a second-place finish at the first-ever five-on-five Iowa prep championship...as a senior averaged 20.3 points and 8.4 rebounds per game...scored 2,391 career points and graduated with 15 school records...a two-time prep first team all-state selection...also an outstanding swimmer, Abrahamson helped lead Washington to the 1985 state swimming title and was an all-state swimmer as a juniorand a senior.

Personal: Born 12-23-66 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa...one of four children of Theanne Abrahamson...is studying for a degree in corporate fitness...is the basketball team's representative to the UI Women's Intercollegiate Sports Council (WISC).



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#### UNITED STATES OLYMPIC TRIALS

Shanda Berry, 1988 Michelle Edwards, 1988 Franthea Price, 1988 Lisa Becker, 1984

#### UNITED STATES WORLD JUNIOR NATIONAL TEAM

Shanda Berry (alternate), 1985 Franthea Price, 1986

#### UNITED STATES SELECT TEAM

Lisa Becker, 1985, 1987 Shanda Berry, 1986, 1987 Michelle Edwards, 1986 Lisa Long, 1986

#### NATIONAL OLYMPIC FESTIVAL

Lisa Becker, 1983 Shanda Berry, 1985 Michelle Edwards, 1985 Lisa Long, 1985 Franthea Price, 1985, 1986 Jolynn Schneider, 1986

#### UNITED STATES JONES CUP TEAM

Jolette Law, 1988 Shanda Berry, 1987 Franthea Price, 1987 Lisa Becker, 1985

# CHAMPION PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Michelle Edwards, 1988

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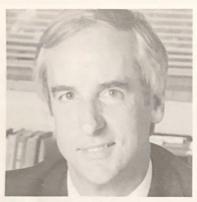
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#### WOMEN'S HOME EVENTS

Gymnastics	Jan. 14	Illinois	1 p.m.
Gymnastic	Jan. 21	Northern Illinois	1 p.m.
Swimming	Jan. 2	Illinois State	1 p.m.
Indoor Track	Feb. 4	Hawkeye Open	
Gymnastics	Feb. 10	Wisconsin/SE Missouri	7 p.m.
Indoor Tennis	Feb. 16	Iowa State	1:30 p.m.
Gymnastics	Feb. 19	Winona	1 p.m.

<sup>\*</sup> Home gymnastics events are held in the Field House North Gym, swimming in the Field House Pool, and indoor track and tennis are in the Recreation Building

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# THE HEAD COACH



# C. Vivian Stringer

How does one describe C. Vivian Stringer? Do you tell how in five years she has lifted Iowa from the bottom of the Big Ten barrel to the top of the nation's polls? Do you mention that since she arrived in the Hawkeye state attendance at Iowa games has increased more than 2,750 percent?

Perhaps you describe her undistractable intensity as she patrols the sideline or her quick, warm smile to the fans awaiting her as she exits the court. Do you tell of her love for the three young children to whom she is a full-time mother, or her love for the 15 young women to whom she is a part-time mother?

Maybe it is simpler to use the words dreams, belief, warmth, excitement, and success to describe Stringer and what she has brought to the Iowa program. Maybe her coaching peers said it all in one gesture-

when they chose Stringer as the 1988 Converse Coach of the Year.

The dynamic coach begins her sixth season as a Hawkeye with a remarkable career record of 365-83 (.815), a mark that includes a five-year stint at Iowa of 114-32 (.781) and a 74-16 (.822) ledger against Big Ten Conference opponents. Stringer is the third winningest coach in the profession and the only coach to ever lead two Div. I schools to a No. 2 or better ranking on the Associated Press poll. She is the winningest coach in Iowa history and the only one to lead the Hawkeyes to 20-win seasons and NCAA postseason competition.

Since Stringer's arrival in Iowa, the school has firmly established itself as one of the nation's leaders in attendance, ranking among the top three schools in average figures.

Among the most respected women's basket-ball coaches in the nation, Stringer has received numerous awards but none more prestigious than the 1988 Converse Coach of the Year honor and the 1982 NCAA Division I Coach of the Year award. She was named the 1988 and 1985 NCAA District V Coach of the Year and was tabbed coach of the United States' entry to the 1985 World University Games in Kobe, Japan, following the 1984-85 season.

In 1979, Stringer coached in Mexico and in 1981 she toured China as head coach of the U.S. Select Team. She also coached in the 1982 National Sports Festival in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Also an active administrator, Stringer was instrumental in the development of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association. She currently is a voting board member of the Amateur Basketball Association of the United States of America and the Nike Shoe Company Coaches Advisory Board. In 1987, Stringer began a three-year appointment as the Big Ten's representative to the NCAA Div. I Mideast Basketball Committee.

A native of Edenborn, Pennsylvania, and a member of the Alumni Hall of Fame at her alma mater, Slippery Rock State College, Stringer is married to William D. Stringer. The couple has three children, David, Janine, and Justin.



# **ASSISTANT COACHES**

Renée DeVarney

The 1988-89 season marks Renee DeVarney's first with The University of

Iowa basketball program.

DeVarney joins the Hawkeye staff after serving for two years as the assistant coach at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. During the 1987-88 season, Army posted a 19-13 mark, won the Empire State



Conference Tournament, and advanced to the NCAA Division II East Regional championship game.

Prior to joining the Army staff, DeVarney spent two years as the assistant coach at her alma mater the University of Vermont.

### **Marianna Freeman**

Continuing a long and prosperous association with C. Vivian Stringer is Marianna Freeman, who is in her sixth year as the Haw-

keye assistant coach. Freeman was coached by Stringer while she attended Cheyney State College in the late seventies. She captained the 1979 team that was unbeaten in 25 games.



Freeman was head coach at Delaware State

College the two years prior to coming to Iowa. Under her direction, the DSC program moved from the cellar of the Mid-Eastern Atlantic Conference to the league's upper division.



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Jennifer Hall, 5-10, F, Jr. Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville	22	J.	FFF	2	0	4
Holly Thompson, 5-4, G, Fr. East Cleveland, Ohio/Shaw				0	8	0
21 Lea Bergin, 6-1, C, Jr. Minneapolis, Minn./South			F	19	0	0
Jenny Zeller, 5-10, G, Fr. Faribault, Minn./Faribault				0	0	0
Dana Joubert, 6-1, F, Fr. Detroit, Mich./St. Martin Des Porres				0	0	0
Jodi Olson, 5-9, G, Jr. Bellevue, Wash./Interlake	32			2	1	6
32 Ellen Stewart, 5-10, F, Jr. Minneapolis, Minn./North				0	0	0
33 Cindy Bradley, 6-0, F/G, Sr. Eureka, Calif./Eureka	22	144		2	0	4
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Head Coach: Vivian Stringer; Assistants: Marianna Freeman, Rene'e DeVarney

Shanda Berry



# MEET THE HAWKEYES



Katie Abrahamson Cedar Rapids, IA

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Shanda Berry Oelwein, IA

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Robin Christian Roxbury, MA

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Felicia Hall Shreveport, LA

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Jolette Law Florence, SC

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Rena McMillon Pompano Beach, FL

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Franthea Price River Rouge, MI

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Jody Ratigan Neola, IA

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Cassandra Rahming West Palm Beach, FL

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Becky Shrigley Nashua, NH

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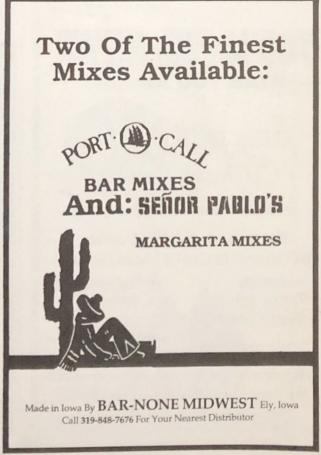
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# ... and THE STAFF



From left to right, Rene'e DeVarney, C. Vivian Stringer and Marianna Freeman.





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Lynn Kennedy, 1985, 1986 Jolette Law, 1988 Lisa Long, 1985, 1986, 1987 Franthea Price, 1988 Jolynn Schneider, 1988

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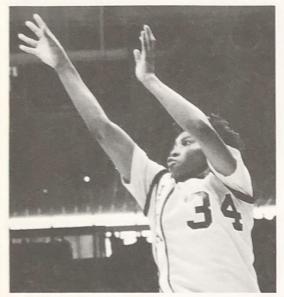




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Points 2nd Half:	High	50 vs	Oklahoma	14 by	
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Total FG Percentage:	High	50 VS	Washington	45 by	
	Low	614 VS	Michigan	.531 by	
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	Low	.000 vs	Oklahoma	.000 by	
Free Throws:	High	24 vs	Ohio State	17 by	Illinois
	Low		Iowa State	4 by	
Free Throws Attempted:	High	30 vs	Ohio State	24 by	
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Assists:	High	23 vs	Oklahoma	20 by	Oklahoma
	Low	8 vs	Kansas	4 by	
Blocked Shots:	High	4 vs	Washington	3 by	
	Low	0 vs	Nebraska	0 pA	
Steals:	High		Michigan State	13 by	
	Low		Kansas	4 by	Wake Forest
Turnovers:	High	27 vs	Wake Forest	35 by	
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Last year, Iowa ranked third in the nation in average attendance and broke its own Big Ten record in the same category. In that season, Carver-Hawkeye Arena was the site for the first pre-game regular season sellout in women's basketball history as 15,365 tickets were sold 30 hours prior to the annual Iowa-Ohio State showdown.

Carver-Hawkeye Arena was also the site of the two highest- attended games in Big Ten history, as well as 13 of the top 20 attended contests.

# Big Ten Conference Attendance The Top Five Games

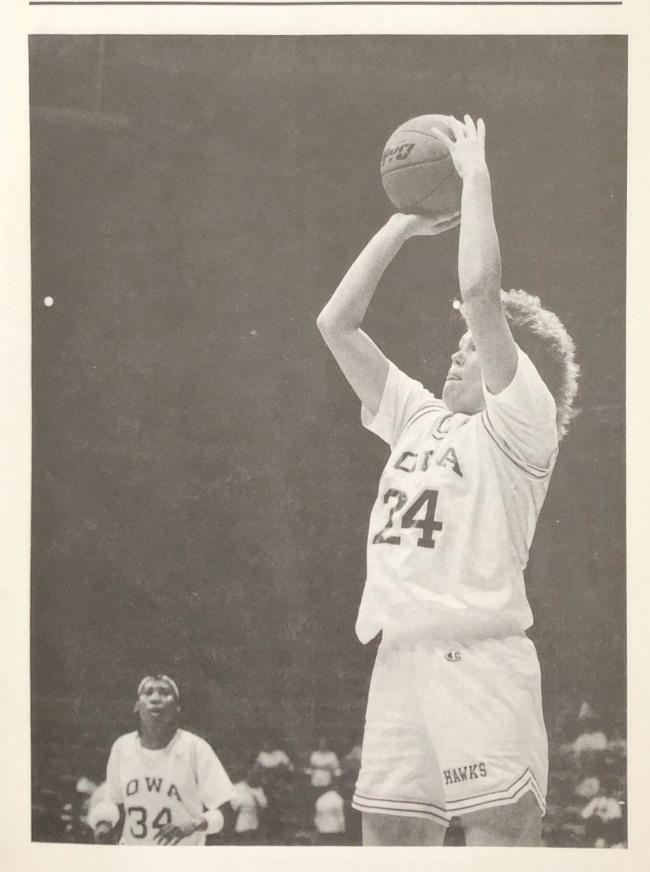
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15,365	Ohio State at IOWA,	1988
13,320	IOWA at Ohio State,	1988
10,424	Ohio State at IOWA,	1987
10,159	Ohio State at IOWA.	1986







# KATIE ABRAHAMSON





# HOME COURT ADVANTAGE

The phrase "Home Court Advantage" certainly applies to the Iowa Hawkeyes and Carver-Hawkeye Arena. Entering the 1988-89 season, Iowa has won an astounding 62 of 67 games played in the Arena since C. Vivian Stringer took over as the head coach. Heading into the year, Iowa boasts a 27-game win streak on its home floor, a streak that includes a 14-0 mark set in 1987-88. Even more impressive is Iowa's home-court performance against Big Ten opponents. The Hawkeyes have lost only two home Big Ten games since Stringer took over in 1983, the last of which came against Ohio State in 1985. Since 1983, only two opponents have eclipsed the 70point mark in the Arena, Tennessee (74) and Missouri (71).



Robin Christian







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Stadium, the Don Klotz Tennis Center, Finkbine Golf Course, the Iowa track and field, and the Indoor Practice Facility.

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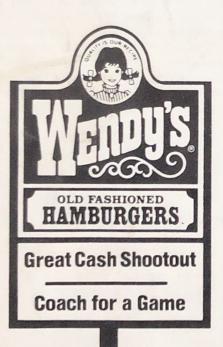
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