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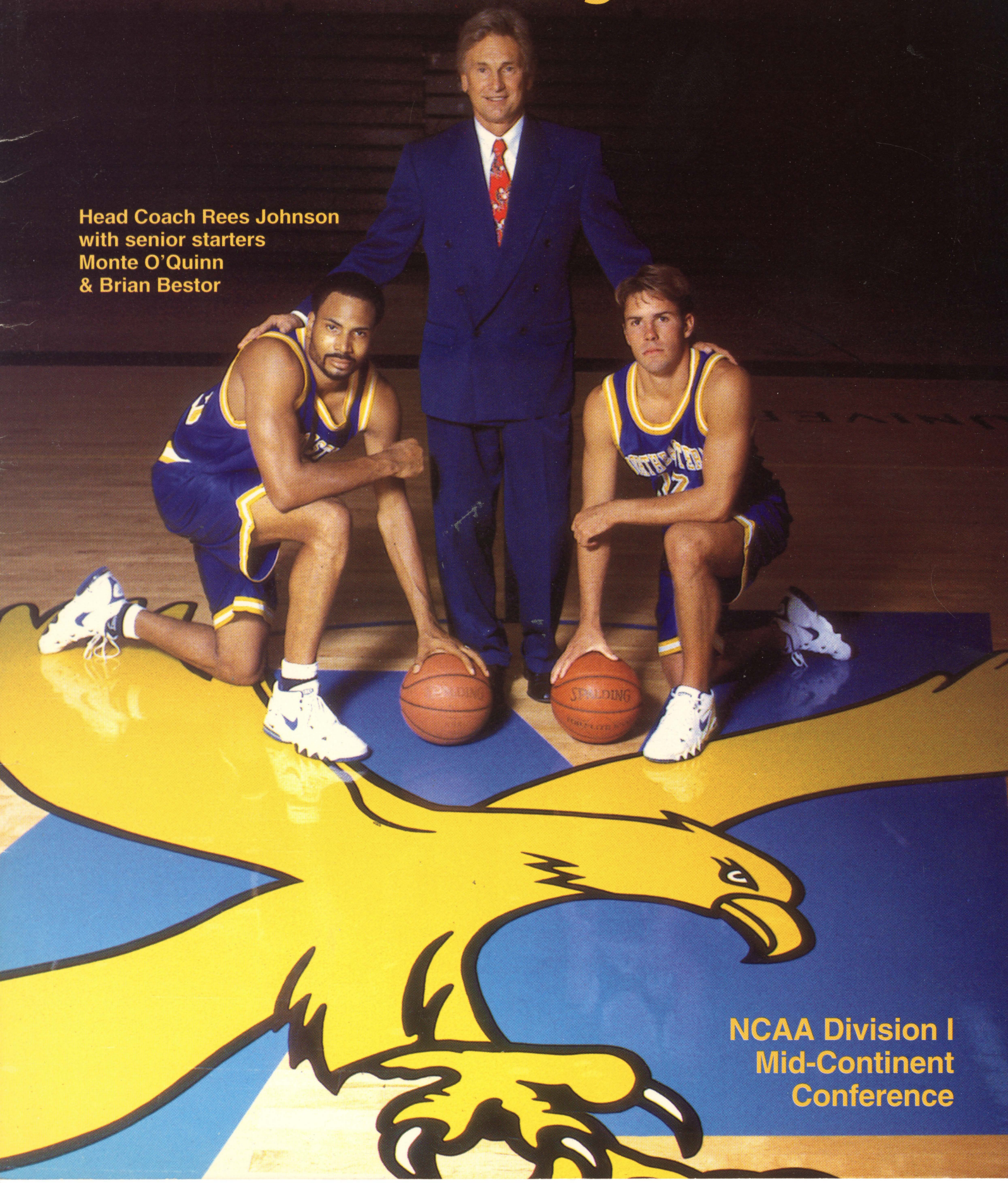
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Northeastern Illinois University 1995-96 Golden Eagle Basketball

**Head Coach Rees Johnson
with senior starters
Monte O'Quinn
& Brian Bestor**

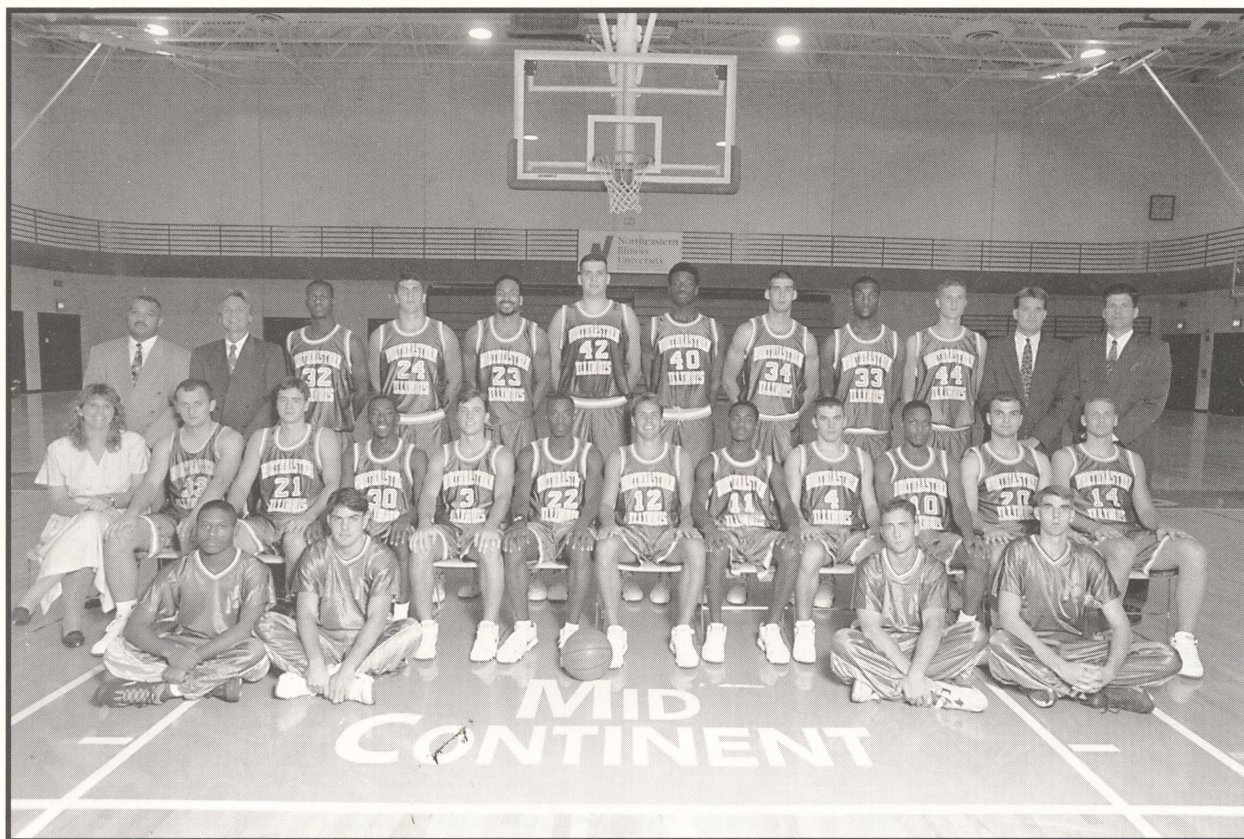


**NCAA Division I
Mid-Continent
Conference**



Northeastern Illinois Basketball Golden Eagles

Head Coach: Rees Johnson (8th year at NEIU)
Assistants: Richard Knar, Thomas Trotter, Mark White



1995-96 Northeastern Illinois University Basketball Team

Back row (L-R) Assistant Coach Thomas Trotter, Head Coach Rees Johnson, Andrae Bellfield, Mike Schott, Monte O'Quinn, Adnan Krupalija, Horris Pollard, Andy Christopoulos, DeVaughn Halsel, Matt Wallace, Assistant Coaches Mark White and Dick Knar.

Seated: (L-R) Athletic Trainer Katherine McVicar, Aleksandra Kosoric, Mike Casper, Jean Gaspard, Mark Heidersbach, Andrell Hoard, Brian Bestor, William Keys, Josip Maric, Chris Morrow, Leonidas Nicoloudes, Steve Shahczenski.

Sitting front row: (L-R) Luke Stinson, Brad Bestor, Mike Vodica, Ron Derengowski.

1995-96 Men's Golden Eagles Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (HS/JC)
3	Mark Heidersbach	G	6-1	185	Jr.	Chicago, Ill. (Niles N. Dame)
4	Josip Maric	G	6-1	175	Fr.	Bosnia (Elgin Larkin HS)
10	Chris Morrow	G	6-1	170	So.	Chicago, Ill. (Morgan Park)
11	William Keys	G	6-1	160	Fr.	Chicago, Ill. (Manley)
12	Brian Bestor	G	6-0	175	Sr.	Fond du Lac, Wis. (Goodrich)
14	Steve Shahczenski	G	6-4	200	So.	Marinette, Wis. (Central)
20	Leonidas Nicoloudes	G-F	6-4	210	So.	Kinshasa, Zaire
21	Mike Casper	G	6-4	210	Jr.	Niles, Ill. (Loyola Academy)
22	Andrell Hoard	G	6-3	195	Jr.	Chicago, Ill. (Olive-Harvey)
23	Monte O'Quinn	F-C	6-8	215	Sr.	Chicago, Ill. (Farragut)
24	Mike Schott	G-F	6-7	215	So.	Winnebago, Ill. (Winnebago)
30	Jean Gaspard	G	6-1	165	Sr.	Port-au-Prince, Haiti
32	Andrae Bellfield	G	6-4	185	Jr.	Minneapolis, MN (Brainerd CC)
33	DeVaughn Halsel	F	6-7	210	Jr.	Pittsburgh, PA (Kennedy/King College)
34	Andy Christopoulos	F-C	6-8	220	Jr.	Athens, Greece
40	Horris Pollard	F-C	6-9	230	So.	Chicago, Ill. (Whitney Young/Polk CC/Fla)
42	Adnan Krupalija	C	7-2	260	Fr.	Bosnia (Rockford-Faith Aca.)
44	Matt Wallace	F	6-7	200	So.	Kewanee, Ill. (Kewanee)
	Aleksandar Kosoric	G-F	6-3	200	Fr.	Bosnia/DeKalb, Ill.



Northeastern Illinois University Head Basketball Coach Rees Johnson will lead his 8th Golden Eagle team in 1995-96. Johnson has totaled 421 career wins in 30 seasons as a head coach.

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Northeastern Illinois University Q U I C K F A C T S

Location	Chicago, IL 60625
Founded	1961
Conference	Mid-Continent Conference
Enrollment	10,400
Arena	PE Complex (2,000)
Nickname	Golden Eagles
Colors	Royal Blue/Gold
Acting President	Dr. Salme H. Steinberg
Athletic Director	Dr. Vivian L. Fuller
Faculty Athletic Representative	Barbara Bales
Associate AD	Lynn Gaziano
Asst. AD-Academics/Compliance	Charley Chmura
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Head Men's Basketball Coach Rees Johnson Northeastern Illinois University

Rees Johnson's eighth season at Northeastern Illinois University in 1995-96 looks to be a promising year for the veteran head coach. Through Johnson's 421 career victories and his 30+ years as a head coach, the 1994-95 NEIU season was not among his all-time highlights with the Golden Eagles enduring a 4-22 campaign.

"Last year's team was a hard-working group who did all they could with adversity, injuries, transfers and academic casualties that depleted the team to 9 players," said Coach Johnson. "We were coming off a record-breaking season and really looking forward to another good year. In all my 30 years of coaching I have never had the stretch of circumstances that happened to our team last year....yet we still kept battling and I was proud of our team."

NEIU's second year in the Mid-Continent Conference will see Coach Johnson battling new struggles to get his program into the upper division of the Mid-Con. Johnson's 1993-94 team (17- 11, East Coast Conference runnerup) earned the praise of many with a 78-75 win at Arizona State along the way to breaking 20 school records.

Johnson joined the Northeastern staff in 1988 and came to Chicago with a career coaching record of 382-167 (.680 winning percentage). Rees has a college coaching record of 339-235 (.591) in 22 seasons and the 1994-95 season will be his 27th year as a head coach. At four-year schools he is 274 236 in 18 seasons. Johnson's five-year high school record was 61-31 and his 30-year year coaching record totals 421-299 (.595).

Prior to NE Illinois, Johnson coached six seasons at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside leading them to



six NAIA District playoff appearances and an overall record of 116-67 with the Rangers.

At Augsburg College (Minn.) in 1978-82, Johnson's four-year totals included an outstanding 91-22 record (.806 winning percentage) including two NAIA National Tournament appearances, two top five ranked teams (his 1980-81

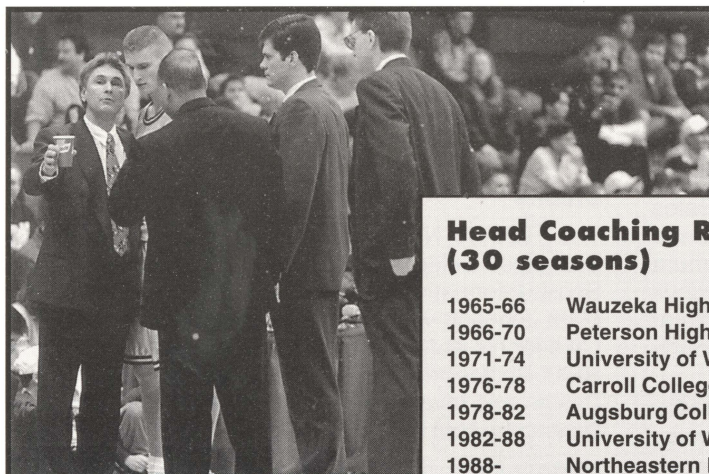
Auggies were 29-2) and Coach of the Year honors from the MIAC Conference and NAIA District.

From 1976-78, Johnson was head coach at Carroll College (WI) posting his only losing records before coming to Northeastern as his teams went 17 37. Before moving on to four-year schools, Johnson established himself as one of the top junior college coaches in the Midwest logging an 82-10 record at Wisconsin-Richland Center, earning three conference and region championships.

Johnson has also coached high school basketball in Minnesota and Wisconsin and has international experience coaching the National Team from Bahrain in 1978 and led the USA team to the William Jones Tournament in Taipei, Taiwan in 1981.

An avid golfer, Johnson has two career holes-in-one, both on the same #5 hole of his hometown course in Rushford, Minnesota.

Johnson received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Winona State in 1965 and 1971. He is single and has two daughters, Tina and Tiffany from a previous marriage.

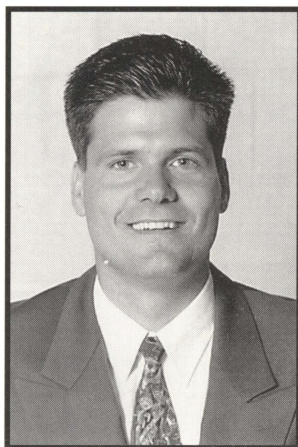


Head Coaching Record (30 seasons)

1965-66	Wauzeka High School (WI)	8-8	(.500)
1966-70	Peterson High School (MN)	53-23	(.697)
1971-74	University of Wisconsin-Richland Center	82-10	(.891)
1976-78	Carroll College	17-37	(.315)
1978-82	Augsburg College	91-22	(.805)
1982-88	University of Wisconsin-Parkside	111-67	(.624)
1988-	Northeastern Illinois University	59-132	(.321)
Overall Head Coaching Record		421-299	(.595)
Collegiate Record:		360-268	(.584)
Four Year College Record:		278-258	(.529)



Assistant Coaches



Richard A. Knar, Jr.
Assistant Coach

In his eighth season as an assistant basketball coach with the Golden Eagles on Coach Rees Johnson's staff. Knar, a Wisconsin native, has numerous duties on the NEIU staff including recruiting Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Indiana. And assisting in film exchanges, advance scouting and study hall supervision.

This former University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC) basketball player from 1984-87 scored 901 points and grabbed 483 rebounds. As a junior he led the team in rebounding with a 7.5 per game average. For three consecutive years he was named to the Academic All-Conference team and was on UIC's dean's list four times.

Before playing at UIC, Knar spent one year at the United States Naval Academy. During that season (1982-83) he started 12-of-26 games as a freshman and scored 108 points and pulled down 40 rebounds.

Since 1983, he has been the camp director of the University of Wisconsin Fond du Lac Basketball Camp. This past season he assisted at the Rees Johnson All-Star Camp at Northeastern.

He received a bachelor of science degree in physical education and also majored in mathematics. He completed his master's degree in educational administration at Northeastern in August 1992. He is married and lives on the northwest side of Chicago with his wife Theresa and their twins, Richard Alan III and Antonette Renee, and son Robert John.



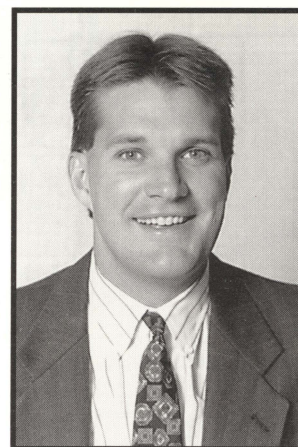
Thomas Trotter
Assistant Coach

Trotter is in his eighth year at Northeastern Illinois University as an assistant coach. This is his 11th year of association with Golden Eagle Head Coach Rees Johnson. He played one year under Johnson at UW-Parkside and was an assistant coach for two years in Kenosha on Johnson's Ranger staff.

As a player at Parkside, Trotter had an injury filled career. From 1982-84 he was named team captain as the starting point guard. The four-year letterman averaged only 4.0 points per game during his career and helped lead the team to four NAIA district championships. Coming out of high school, Trotter was an all-city selection at Gage Park in Chicago after averaging 25.0 points per game and was the fourth leading scorer in the city.

His coaching career began in 1984 as an assistant at Parkside. He left in 1986 to become an assistant at Whitney Young High School in Chicago for one year. He also spent one year at Gage Park. In 1988, he joined Johnson at Northeastern Illinois University to help assist in the move to their current NCAA Division I status. He is the Golden Eagles primary recruiter in the Chicago area.

At Parkside he received a bachelor of science degree in business-labor relations. He also has a minor in physical education. He is currently pursuing his master's degree at Northeastern University. Trotter is single and lives in Chicago.



Mark White
Assistant Coach

Now in his seventh season at Northeastern, White is in his sixth year with the men's basketball program after one year as an assistant with the NEIU women. The Burnsville, Minnesota native has primary staff duties with advance scouting and film exchange work.

White was a three-year letterman at Macalester College where he graduated with his bachelor of arts degree in economics and business in 1984. As captain of the team his senior season at Macalester (1983-84), White was an All-Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) selection and team Most Valuable Player. He averaged 13 points and 8.4 rebounds per game. He led the MIAC in free throw shooting at 89.4% and was ranked 10th in the NCAA Division III in free throw accuracy. As a junior he earned honorable-mention All-MIAC honors.

He graduated from the University of Illinois-Chicago (June, 1991) with a master of science in sports administration. He is a native of Burnsville, MN and currently resides in Chicago.

Mid-Continent Conference

The race for quality has no finish line, and since the inception of the Mid-Continent Conference in 1982 (formerly the Association of Mid-Continent Universities or AMCU), the league has continued to enhance its intercollegiate athletic stance, while continuing a tradition of ethics and integrity.

The Mid-Continent Conference was formed when eight Midwestern universities joined together as a new NCAA Division conference for men's athletics. Representing six states, AMCU-8 members included Cleveland State University, Eastern Illinois, University of Illinois of Chicago, University of Northern Iowa, Southwest Missouri State University, Valparaiso University, Western Illinois University and the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. In addition to basketball, the AMCU-8 sponsored eight other sports including soccer, baseball, cross country, swimming, indoor and outdoor track, golf, and tennis.

One of the goals of this newly formed league was to secure automatic qualification into the NCAA Division I basketball tournament. The objective was finally reached in 1987. The Mid-Continent Conference first made its presence known in the college basketball world in 1986. After posting a 27-3 record, Cleveland State received an at-large bid to the NCAA tournament and promptly upset Indiana in the first round. The Vikings eventually advanced to the Sweet 16 before falling to All-American David Robinson and Navy by one point. That same year, Southwest Missouri State advanced to the quarterfinals of the National Invitational Tournament. For the first time in 1990, three Mid-Con teams advanced to postseason play. Northern Iowa shocked formerly number one ranked Missouri in the first round of the NCAA, and then took Minnesota to the wire before losing by three. In the Midwest Regional, Southwest Missouri State took on North Carolina and lost a heartbreaker, 70-83. And in their first NIT appearance a lasting impression of Mid-Con basketball loomed as Wisconsin-Green Bay made the most of their presence by beating Southern Illinois in the first round of the tournament.

The 1992-93 season marked an additional milestone for the Mid-Continent Conference. After a decade as a men's athletic conference, the Mid-Con became both a men's and women's athletic conference. With the addition of the former North Star Conference, the Mid-Con sponsored 13 championship sports including volleyball, cross country (M & W), swimming and diving (M & W), basketball (M & W), golf, tennis (M & W), softball and basketball. Conference membership also changed as Northern Illinois was admitted in 1989, Wright State and Youngstown State in 1991, and Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1992.

Mid-Con women's athletics made a definite impact on the Conference's continuing record of success during their first year of membership. In 1992, Northern Illinois was invited to the Southeast Regional at Purdue University where the Huskies took on L.A. Tech and defeated the Lady Techsters 77-71 in overtime. In the

second round, NIU fell to the Boilermakers, 62-98. Once again in 1993, Northern Illinois received an automatic bid to the NCAA Regionals and lost a disappointing 74-78 to the Lady Tigers of Georgetown. In the spring of 1995, Western Illinois captured the Mid-Con Championship and automatically qualified for the NCAA Tournament. The NCAA berth was the first in school annals, as WIU posted an overall record of 17-11 and a Mid-Con mark of 14-4. The Westerwinds were seeded 14th in the West Regional and took on third seeded North Carolina in Chapel Hill. But the defending National Champion, UNC defeated Western Illinois 48-89.

The Mid-Con is comprised of 10 well-established universities: University at Buffalo, Central Connecticut State University, Chicago State University, Eastern Illinois University, University of Missouri-Kansas City, Northeastern Illinois University, Troy State University, Valparaiso University, Western Illinois University and Youngstown State University. With a current enrollment of more than 153,000 students, Mid-Con schools draw students from all 50 states and over 100 foreign countries. Diverse academic programs are offered at the Mid-Con institutions with literally hundreds of degree-granting programs. The Mid-Continent Conference currently boasts schools from seven states: Alabama, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, New York and Ohio.

To date the Mid-Con currently sponsors 17 championship sports. For men, the Mid-Con sponsors basketball, baseball, soccer, swimming, golf, indoor and outdoor track, tennis and cross country. Equally competitive is the women's sports program which includes championships in basketball, softball, swimming, indoor and outdoor track, tennis and cross country.

Throughout its existence the Mid-Con has continually strived towards an ambitious marketing program, generating increased exposure and revenues through a variety of marketing and promotional programs. In 1988 a television package with SportsChannel was developed for the telecast of Mid-Con basketball games on a regular basis for the first time in league history. Since that time, the Mid-Continent Conference, SportsChannel and Prime Sports have joined forces to broadcast Mid-Con events to fans across the nation, including coverage of both men's and women's basketball.





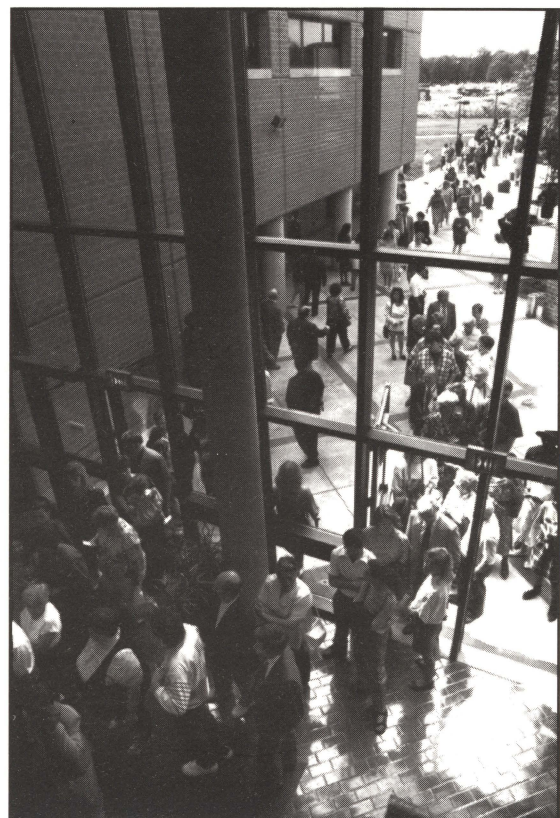
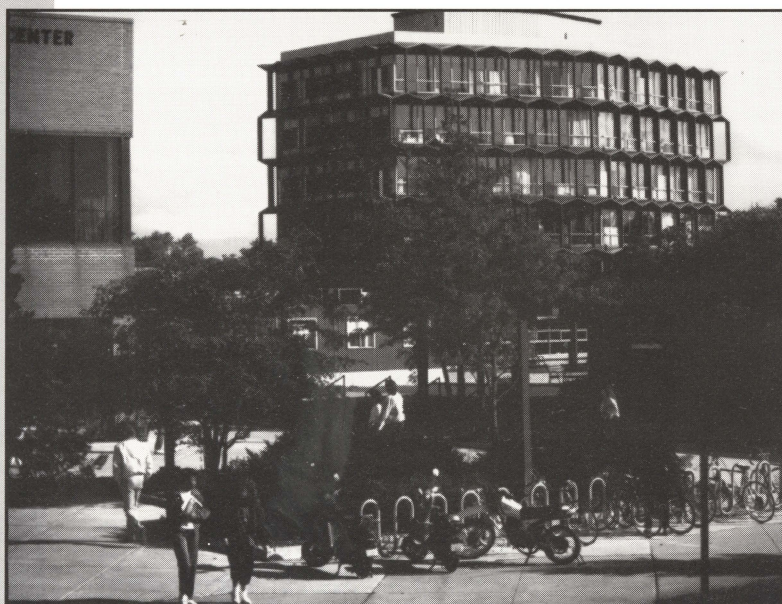
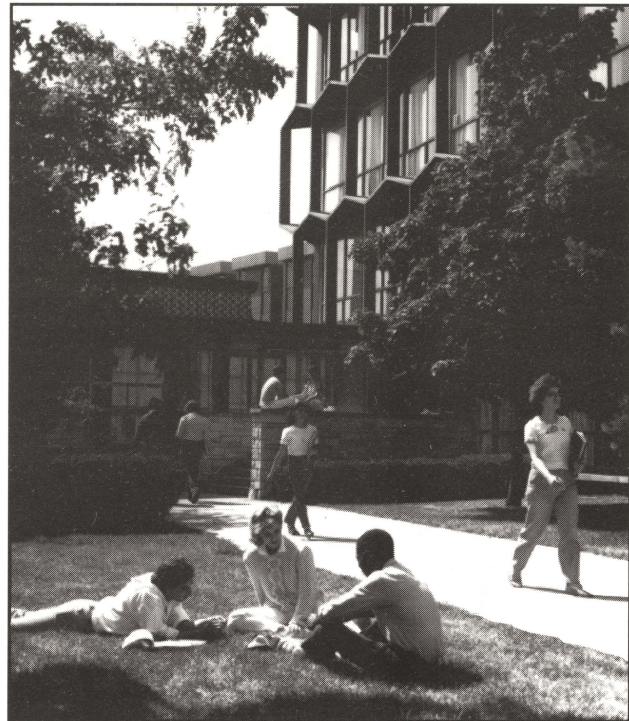
Northeastern Illinois University

Northeastern Illinois University is a comprehensive, state-supported commuter institution of approximately 10,400 students. The main campus is located on the northwest side of Chicago, with outreach centers serving the Black and Hispanic communities.

Offering more than 100 different undergraduate and graduate degree programs, we provide a solid foundation in the liberal arts, in addition to career-oriented curricula in fields such as business and education. The university prides itself on excellent classroom instruction delivered by highly qualified faculty dedicated to teaching. The university community represents a wide range of cultural and racial backgrounds, and the diverse student body includes many returning adult students, minorities, and people who are the first in their families to attend college.

Northeastern serves as an affordable educational and cultural resource for the northern metropolitan Chicago area, fulfilling an important role in Illinois higher education.

The use of tobacco products is prohibited in all indoor university facilities, owned or leased, and in university owned vehicles.



Dr. Vivian L. Fuller

Athletic Director



Dr. Vivian L. Fuller

Now in her fourth year as the Golden Eagles Athletic Director, Dr. Vivian L. Fuller has the Northeastern Illinois program in its second year of Mid-Continent Conference play in 1994-95. A top goal of the Athletic Department has been to secure conference membership and the fit is a good one in the Mid-Continent for the sixth-year NCAA Division I program. The building process of a competitive program in both men's and women's athletics is a tough task that Dr. Fuller tackles with her tireless work ethic. Adding women's golf and men's soccer in 1993 has the Golden Eagle program with 14 varsity sports competing for championship honors in the Mid-Continent Conference.

Fuller was hired at Northeastern in the fall of 1992, coming to Chicago following five years (1987-92) as associate director of athletics at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, an NCAA Division II program. Fuller was directly responsible for the internal operations of the athletic program, involving supervising non-revenue sports, fund-raising, advising and academic programs, career planning for student-athletes and professional development seminars for high-risk student athletes.

Dr. Fuller is also the chairperson for the National Youth Sports Programs (NYSP). Under the auspices of the NCAA, the NYSP helped sponsor programs on college campuses for economically disadvantaged youth. Dr. Fuller is a member of the NCAA Gender Equity Task Force studying equity opportunities

for student athletes in Division I, II and III. Over the past eight years Dr. Fuller has made over 20 national, regional and local presentations on athletic administration, minorities and women in athletics and higher education. Last fall she was named to the NCAA Council, an appointment through 1998.

Dr. Fuller received her doctorate in higher education administration from Iowa State University in 1985. She earned her master of education degree in 1978 from the University of Idaho. She graduated from Fayetteville State University in 1977 with a bachelor of science degree in health, physical recreation and recreation.

A veteran administrator, Fuller served as an assistant director of athletics at North Carolina A&T University (1984-87). She worked also as an acting women's AD, women's volleyball coach, an assistant professor and assistant AD for advisement and director of intramurals at AT&T (1980-82) before attending graduate school at Iowa State.

Fuller File

Education:

Iowa State University • Ph D. - Higher Education (Administration) May 1985

University of Idaho • M Ed. - Physical Education. May 1978

Fayetteville State University (N.C.) • B.S. - Health. Physical Education and Recreation, 1977

Professional Experience:

Northeastern Illinois University • Director of Intercollegiate Athletics • September 1992 - present

Indiana University of Pennsylvania • Associate Director of Athletics • 1987-92

North Carolina A&T State University • Assistant Director of Athletics/Assistant to the Director for Advisement Programs, Student Women's Volleyball Coach • 1984-87

Iowa State University • Residence Hall Advisor/Research Assistant • 1982-84

North Carolina A&T State University • Acting Director of Women's Athletics Women's Volleyball and Softball Coach • 1980-82

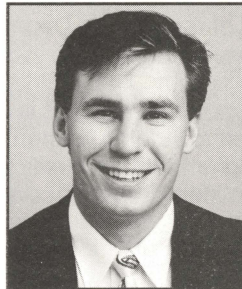
Bennett College • Director of Intramurals and Physical Education Instructor • 1978-80



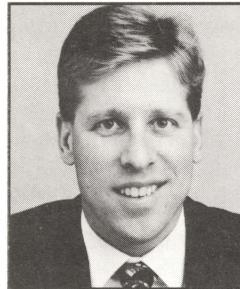
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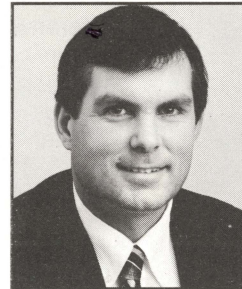
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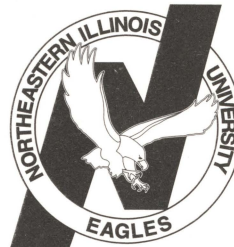
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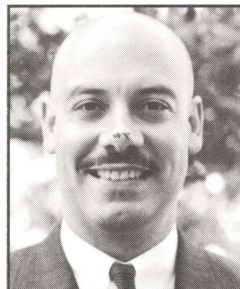
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Tina Pennekamp
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Denise Taylor
Women's Basketball
Coach



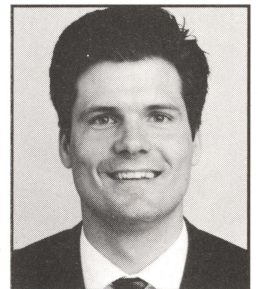
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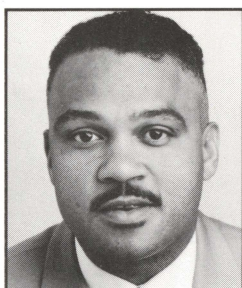
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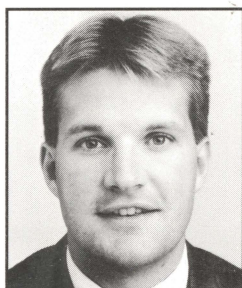
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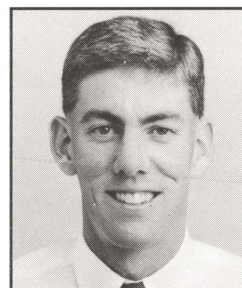
Tom Trotter
Assistant Coach
Men's BB



Mark White
Assistant Coach
Men's BB



Kizzie Mailander
Volleyball Coach



John Hannan
Men's Soccer Coach



Brian Vogel
M/W Swimming Coach
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1995-96 NEIU Men's Basketball Pre-Season Outlook

Bestor and O'Quinn Lead Golden Eagles in 1995-96

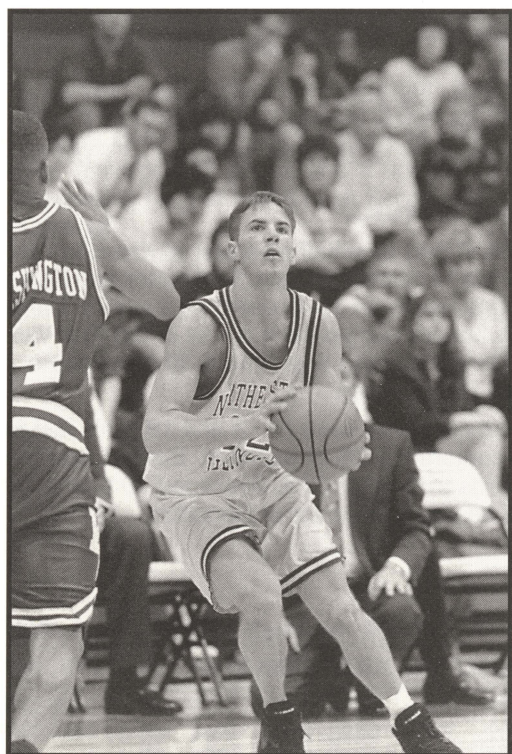
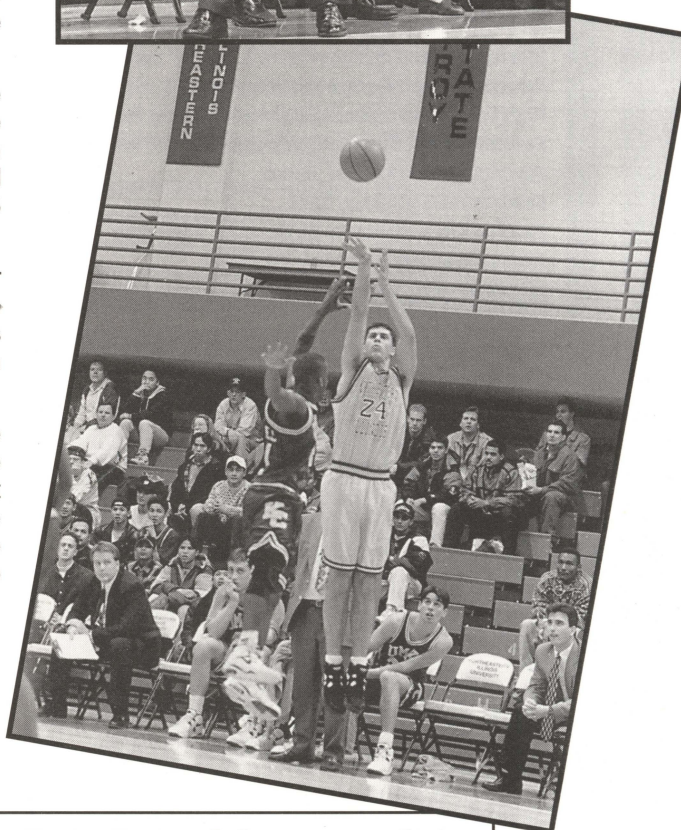
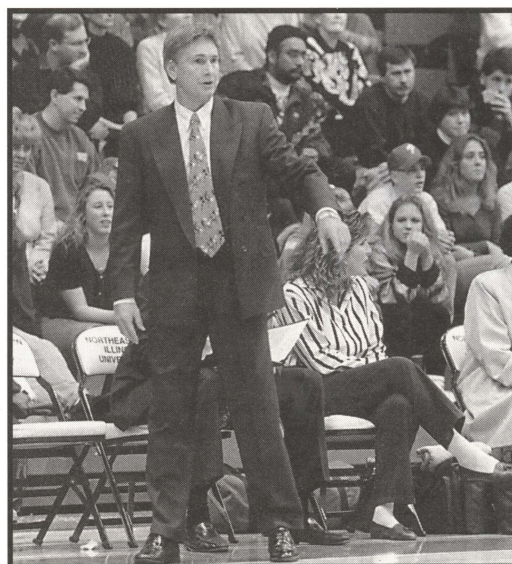
Seven new players including 1993-94 JC national scoring leader Andrell Hoard (6-3, Jr. Guard) will join nine returning Golden Eagle players to form Rees Johnson's eighth NE Illinois team in 1995-96.

"We have a nice blend of veterans and new players to make for a very competitive pre-season camp leading into the conference season in January," Coach Rees Johnson said.

Seniors Brian Bestor (6-0, G, 11.6 pts/5.2 assts) and Monte O'Quinn (6-8, F, 16.9 pts/7.8 rebs) lead the Golden Eagle returnees from last year's (4-22, 2-16, Mid-Con) team which was beset with injuries. Returnees Mark Heidersbach and Steve Schahczenski are back following injuries in 1994-95 which limited them to 10 and 5 games played respectively.

Optimism is high for the 1995-96 Golden Eagles entering year number two in the Mid-Continent Conference. "Our goal is to finish in the upper division of the Mid-Con league standings and to contend for the conference regular season championship," said Coach Johnson.

Northeastern Illinois opens on the road at Big East Conference foe and NIT team Miami (Fla.) and will also play non-league games at Wisconsin, at Nebraska, at UW-Milwaukee, at Illinois-Chicago and at Cal State Northridge. The 18-game Mid-Continent Conference season opens in January with the Golden Eagles at defending league champion Valparaiso University January 4.



1995-96 Golden Eagles position-by-position

Guards

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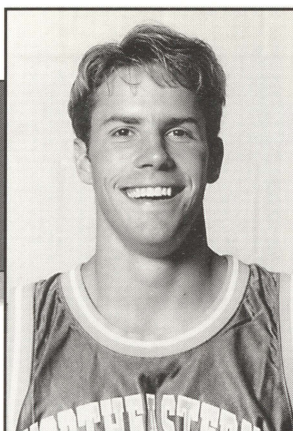
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33	DeVaughn Halsel	6-7	210	Jr.
44	Matt Wallace	6-7	200	So.
34	Andy Christopoulos	6-8	220	Jr.
40	Horris Pollard	6-9	230	So.
42	Adnan Krupalija	7-2	260	Fr.



PLAYER

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PROFILE



Brian Bestor

6-0 • 170 • Senior • Guard
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
Goodrich High School

Bestor File

Nickname: 'Bess'

Parents: Colleen Kramer and John Bestor

High School Coaches: Dick Diener and Marty Paulsen

Favorite Foods: Spaghetti, cold chicken

Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan

Favorite Team: Chicago Bulls

Favorite City to Vacation: St. Germain, Wisconsin

Academic Major: Secondary Education

Junior Year Notes at NEIU...

The Golden Eagles team leader and "iron man" playing over 35 minutes per game in 1994-95....Was second on the team to Craig Nowels in scoring (11.6) fourth in rebounding (3.5) and led the team in assists (4.2), three point field goals (45) and steals (37)....Bestor will become NEIU's all-time assist leader with his 85th assist this year breaking the school record of 338....Two-time academic all-conference selection (East Coast/Mid-Continent). Scored in double figures 17 games last year with a scoring high of 23 points (twice-Valparaiso and at Western Illinois)

Sophomore Year Notes at NEIU...

Continued to make the big defensive plays and hit the critical three point shots for the Golden Eagles. Bestor's late three-pointer at Arizona State helped secure the 78-75 win over ASU. Totaled 10 or more points last year in 8 games with a high of 14 points vs. Jackson State. His late three-pointer vs. Missouri-KC in 1994's homecoming game gave NEIU the lead down the stretch. 1993-94 assists high were 8 twice (Cornell, Trinity). Assists (93) to turnovers (46) rate was over the benchmark 2-1 rate for guards to rank among the top players in the conference.

1992-93 Golden Eagle Notes...

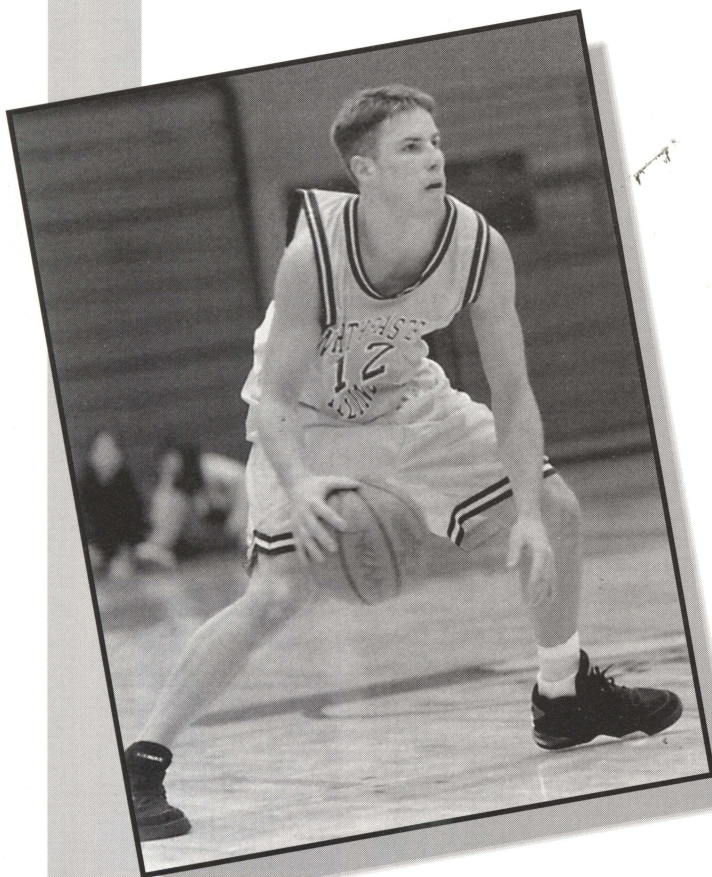
Started 11 of NEIU's last 16 games at point guard. The top returning assists player (51/2.4 game) for the Golden Eagles. Had a game-high 7 assists twice (vs. Illinois-Chicago and UW-Milwaukee). Was one of eight players with 25 or more steals (26) last season, including a game-high of 4 vs. Monmouth.

Scored 65 points in 1992-93 (2.7) with a scoring high game of 11 vs. Evansville. Shot .356 from the field (16 of 45 FGs) with 7 three-pointers (7 of 20 35%). Hit 26 of 41 FTs (.634).

High School Notes...

Was a basketball and baseball all-stater at Goodrich High School. Averaged 14 points, 4 assists, 3 rebounds and 2 steals leading the Cardinals to an 18-4 record as a senior. Earned all-conference honors two years in a row in the Fox Valley Association. Career scoring high was a 30 point game vs. Oshkosh North High School.

Bestor's Goodrich teams were 21-3 and 18-4 his last two years. An all-conference 2B in baseball. Earned academic honor roll awards with a 3.2 GPA. Averaged 10 points, 3 rebounds and 2 assists as a junior at Goodrich.

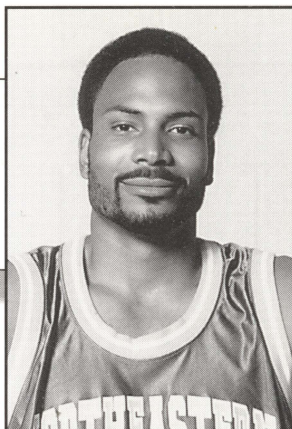


Bestor's NEIU Career Stats

YEAR	G/GS	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AVG	ASST	ST	PTS	AVG
1992-93	24/13	16	45	.36%	7	20	.35%	26	41	.63	39	1.6	51	26	65	2.7
1993-94	28/28	57	135	.422	38	89	.427	31	44	.705	68	2.4	93	24	183	6.5
1994-95	26/26	95	250	.380	45	128	.352	66	93	.710	92	3.5	109	37	301	11.6
Totals	78/67	168	430	.391	90	237	.380	123	178	.691	199	2.6	253	87	549	7.1

Monte O'Quinn

6-8 • 210 • Senior • Forward
Chicago, Illinois
Farragut High School



PLAYER

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PROFILE

Junior Year Notes at NEIU...

Monte played outstanding basketball averaging 16.9 points and 7.8 rebounds to lead the Golden Eagles in the first 11 games last season....Was not academically eligible for the second semester...Was named to the all-tournament team at the Illini Classic scoring 21 points and 9 rebounds vs. Illinois in December....Led NEIU in scoring 7 of 11 games last year with a scoring high of 25 vs. Buffalo....Was the top rebounder in eight games with a high of 11 rebounds in 1994-95.

O'Quinn Sophomore Year Notes at NEIU...

Was limited to 17 games and 11 starts in 1993-94. Monte's 5.5 scoring average and 3.9 rebound mark was 7th on the 1993-94 team. O'Quinn's .530 FG% (35 of 66) was second on the team last year. Will be among the top rebounders in the Mid-Continent Conference this season.

1992-93 Golden Eagle Notes...

Started 19 games in his freshman season at Northeastern. Was fourth on the team in scoring (6.8) and third in rebounding (5.7) for the Golden Eagles. Totaled 10 double figure scoring games with a high of 15 twice (Samford, Lakeland). Rebound high was 14 (Lakeland) with 10 re bounds three times (at UW-Milwaukee. Samford, at Chicago State).

Led the NEIU starters in FGs (71-142 50%). Hit 7 of 9 FGs vs. Samford. O'Quinn's 77 offensive rebounds tied Ulyses Moran for the team lead in 1992-93. Had 10 offensive rebounds vs. Lakeland College.

High School Notes...

Two-time All-Section Blue/West selection. Earned all-city and all state honors as a senior playing in both city all-star games. Was team MVP averaging 16 points and 13 rebounds as a senior. Averaged 20 points and 8 boards as a junior. Was Homecoming King at Metro High School before transferring to Farragut.

O'Quinn File

Nickname: 'Money' / 'The Franchise'

Birthdate: September 30, 1974

Parents: Milton O'Quinn, Annie Blackshire

High School Coaches: Roger Hall, William Nelson,
Thomas Pepper

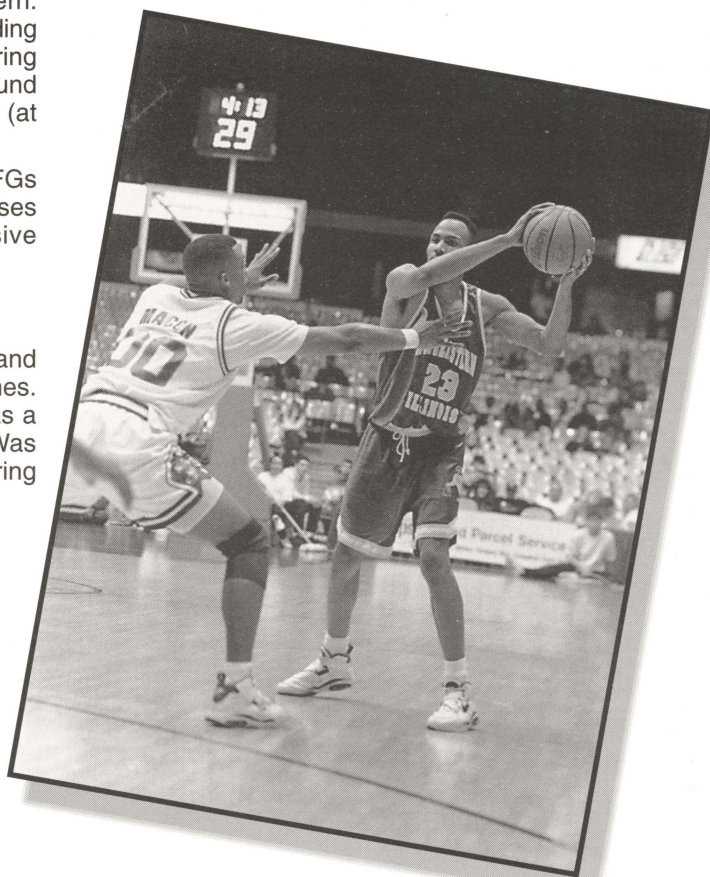
Favorite Foods: Pizza, Spaghetti, Sweet Potato pie

Favorite Athlete: Deon Sanders

Favorite Team: Chicago Bulls

Favorite City to Vacation: Detroit

Academic Major: Sports Medicine



O'Quinn's NEIU Career Stats

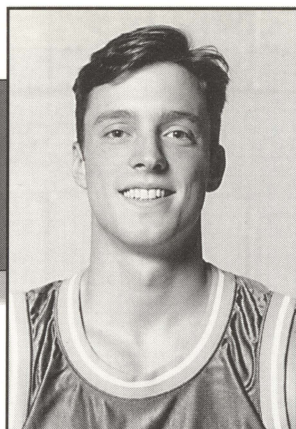
YEAR	G/GS	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AVG	ASST	ST	PTS	AVG
1992-93	27/19	71	142	50%	0	0	-	41	67	61%	153	5.7	6	23	183	6.8
1993-94	17/11	35	66	59%	0	1	.000	24	38	.632	66	3	5	20	94	5.5
1994-95	11/11	59	117	.504	0	3	.000	68	102	.667	56	7.8	10	13	186	16.9
Totals	54/41	165	325	.508	0	4	.000	133	207	.645	305	5.7	19	41	463	8.6



PLAYER

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PROFILE



Mark Heidersbach

6-1 • 190 • Junior • Guard

Chicago, Illinois

Niles Notre Dame High School

Heidersbach File

Birthdate: January 6, 1975

Parents: Lee and Kathleen Heidersbach

High School/Varsity Coaches: Dennis Zelasko, Dan Hogan

Favorite Foods: Chicken Fajitas, Pizza

Favorite Athlete: Larry Bird

Favorite Team: Chicago Bulls

Academic Major: Biology

Sophomore Year Highlights at NEIU...

Played in only ten games last year following injury vs. Buffalo....Was having a fine sophomore season averaging 10.9 points and hitting 27 three-pointers to lead the team through ten games....Heidersbach scored a career-high 20 points bombing in a school record six three-pointers vs. UW-Milwaukee last December in an 85-76 win over the Panthers.... Started eight of ten games last year and will be battling for starting duty again in the backcourt this season.

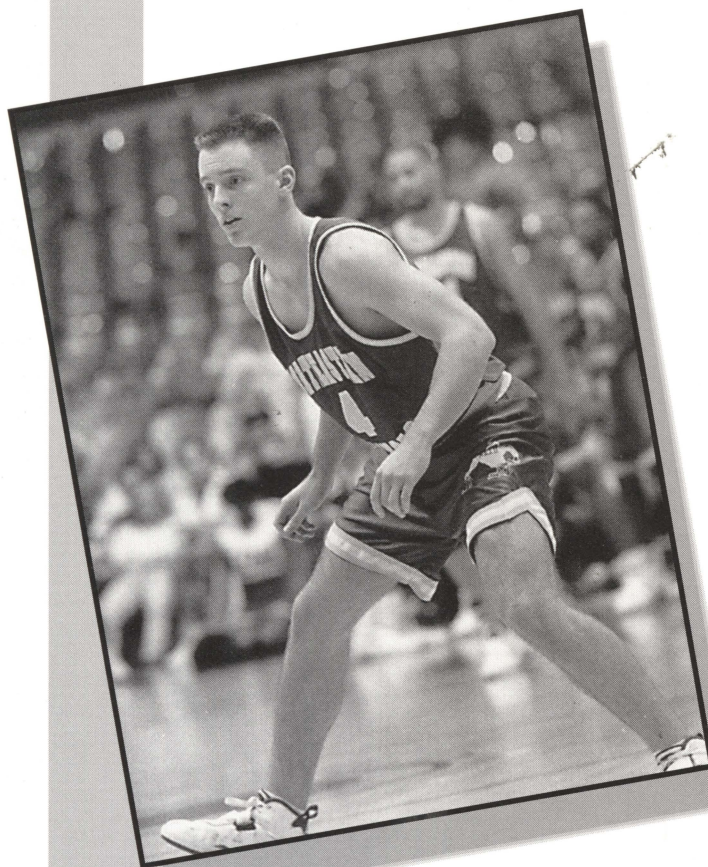
Heidersbach Freshman Year Stats...

Sharpshooting guard hit five second half three-pointers vs. Trinity College. Season-high 17 points in the 101-66 win over Trinity. Out standing shooting range. Hit 16 of 44 three-pointers last year (.364%). Averaged 3.1 points playing in 23 games (6.5 minutes/game). Made 12 of 15 FTs (.800%).

High School Notes...

Notre Dame High School all-time leading scorer with 1,414 points. Nominated for the McDonald's All-American team and played in the Nike/Sun-Times City/Suburban all-Star Game. Three-year varsity starter who was named to the 1992 Wheeling Christmas all-Tournament team scoring a career-high 46 points in one game.

Was the East Suburban Conference league MVP leading the Dons to the regional Championship and a 16-12 overall record. Third team IBCA all-state selection and was a special mention for all-state honors by the Chicago Tribune and Chicago Sun-Times. Averaged 22 points, 4.5 rebounds and 3 assists as a senior and 20 points and 4.5 rebounds as a junior. Was a two-time Notre Dame team MVP and a member of the school academic honor roll with a 3.43 overall GPA. Played baseball for the Dons and was named best defensive player (IB) his senior year.

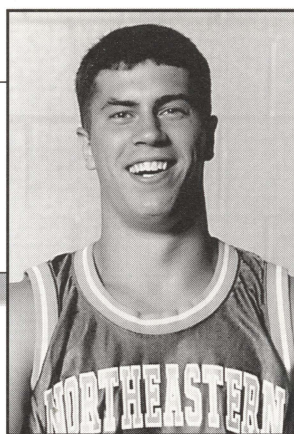


Heidersbach's NEIU Career Stats

YEAR	G/GS	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AVG	ASST	ST	PTS	AVG
1993-94	23/0	22	58	.379	16	44	.364	12	15	.800	14	0.6	11	12	72	3.1
1994-95	10/8	35	103	.340	27	76	.385	12	17	.706	28	2.8	20	12	109	10.9
Totals	33/8	57	161	.354	43	120	.358	24	32	.750	42	1.3	31	24	181	5.5

Mike Schott

6-7 • 215 • Sophomore • G-F
Winnebago, Illinois
Winnebago High School



PLAYER

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PROFILE

Freshman year notes at NEIU...

Started the final 24 games for the Golden Eagles last year....Averaged 7.1 points with a high game of 19 points vs. Troy State....Scored in double figures 8 games....Was second on the team to Brian Bestor hitting 41 three-pointers(41 of 111 - .369%)....Was third on the team in rebounding (3.8) with a high of 8 rebounds at Troy State....Played last summer in Australia in the Great Australian Shoot Out for an Illinois Junior team and Coach Tom Digmann..Averaged over 25 minutes played last year as a frosh.

High School Notes

Versatile athlete who averaged 18.7 points, 12.5 rebounds, 3.2 assists and 2.1 steals last year. Was team captain and AP All-State honorable mention in 1993-94. Team captain and IBCA All-State third team pick. Shot 52% from the field and 73% free throws last year. Averaged 20.3 points as a junior with 11.8 rebounds in 1992-93. Played QB in football and was an All-Conference honorable mention P/3B/SS in baseball in 1991-92. Will major in Computer Information Systems at Northeastern Illinois.

Schott File

Nickname: 'Schotter'

Birthdate: November 31, 1975

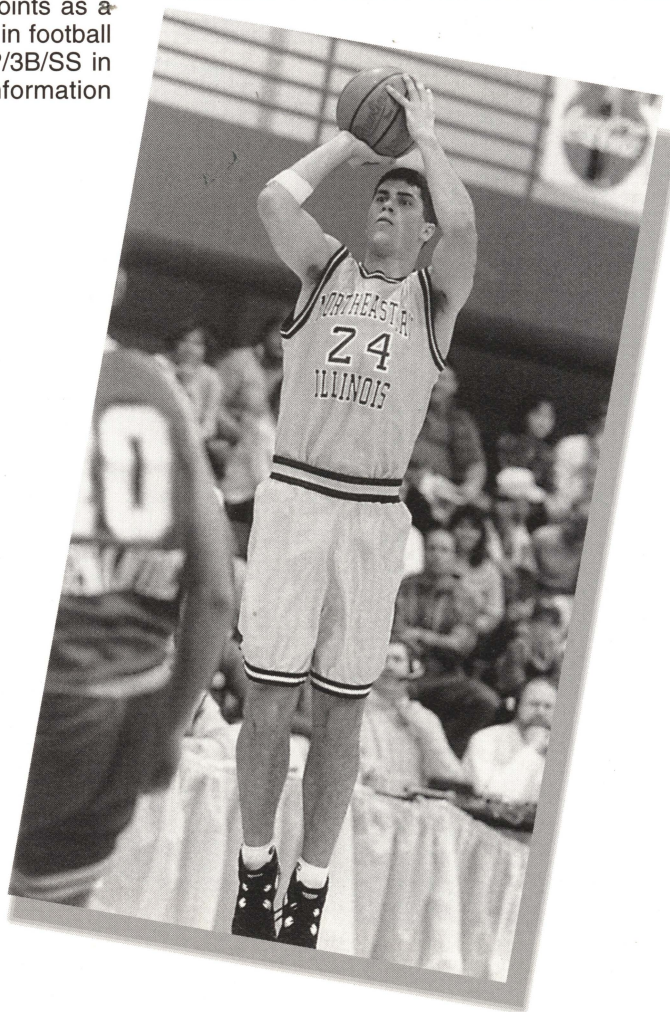
Parents: Gary and Mary Schott

Favorite food: Pizza

Favorite Athlete: Larry Bird

Favorite Team: Chicago Bulls

Favorite city to vacation: Miami



Heidersbach's NEIU Career Stats

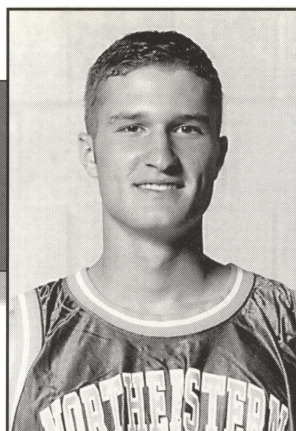
YEAR	G/GS	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AVG	ASST	ST	PTS	AVG
1994-95	26/24	61	162	.377	41	111	.369	22	33	.667	99	3.8	37	21	185	7.1
Totals	26/24	61	162	.377	41	111	.369	22	33	.667	99	3.8	37	21	185	7.1



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PROFILE



Matt Wallace

6-7 • 200 • Sophomore • Forward
Kewaunee, Illinois
Kewaunee High School

Wallace File

Nickname: Wally
Birthdate: August 3, 1976
Parents: Roger and Susan Wallace
Favorite Food: Pizza
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan
Favorite City to vacation: Miami
Favorite Team: Chicago Blackhawks

Freshman Year Notes at NEIU...

Played in all 26 games last year averaging 3.5 points, 2.6 rebounds and over 12 minutes per game.... Scored a career-high 19 points vs. Central Connecticut State hitting 8 of 15 field goals and 3 of 5 free throws in 21 minutes vs. the Blue Devils.... Over the final 10 games, Wallace averaged 6.3 points and 6.6 rebounds overall.... Totaled a career-high 9 rebounds twice (C. Connecticut and Troy State).

High School Notes...

Averaged 20.3 points, 10.1 rebounds and 2.3 assists last season. Earned All-State, All-Conference honors in 1993-94 and was named to the IBCA All-Star squad. Shot 50% from the field and 72% from the free throw as a senior. Kewaunee High School Valedictorian and a National Honor Society and Honor Roll recipient. Will major in Computer Science at Northeastern.

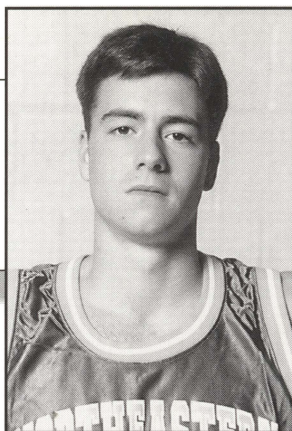


Wallace's NEIU Career Stats

YEAR	G/GS	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AVG	ASST	ST	PTS	AVG
1994-95	26/1	37	93	.398	4	8	.500	13	24	.542	68	2.6	7	11	91	3.5
Totals	26/1	37	93	.398	4	8	.500	13	24	.542	68	2.6	7	11	91	3.5

Mike Casper

6-4 • 210 • Junior • Forward
Niles, Illinois
Loyola Academy



PLAYER

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PROFILE

Sophomore Year Notes at NEIU...

Started 12 games for the Golden Eagles..Averaged 5.8 points and 3.3 rebounds.... Was among NEIU's leaders in field goal shooting (50 of 105 - .476%), three-point FG % (12 of 28 - .429 %) and offensive rebounds (36)....Casper's big stick back dunk vs. Youngstown State University keyed NEIU's 58-49 upset win played at North Park College during the renovation of the PE Complex floor.

Casper sat out 1993-94 season...

Red-shirt year.

1992-93 Golden Eagle Notes...

Played in 11 games as a freshman in 1992-93, starting one (Lake land). Averaged 2.0 points with a high game of 9 ponts vs. Monmouth playing only four minutes. Played a season-high 12 minutes vs. Lakeland.

High School Notes...

Led Loyola Academy in scoring (17.2) his senior season. Averaged 6.2 rebounds, 2.2 assists and 1.3 steals per game. Was named to the All Chicago Catholic League second team. Led the league in three-point shoot ing (38%).

A two-year varsity starter for the Ramblers, Casper averaged 9.0 points and 5.5 rebounds as a junior. Two-time All-Catholic League selection. Shot 46% from the field and 68% from the free throw line.

Casper File

Nickname: Ghost/Spur

Birthdate: June 15, 1974

High School Coach: Carl Costello

Favorite Foods: 'Everything'

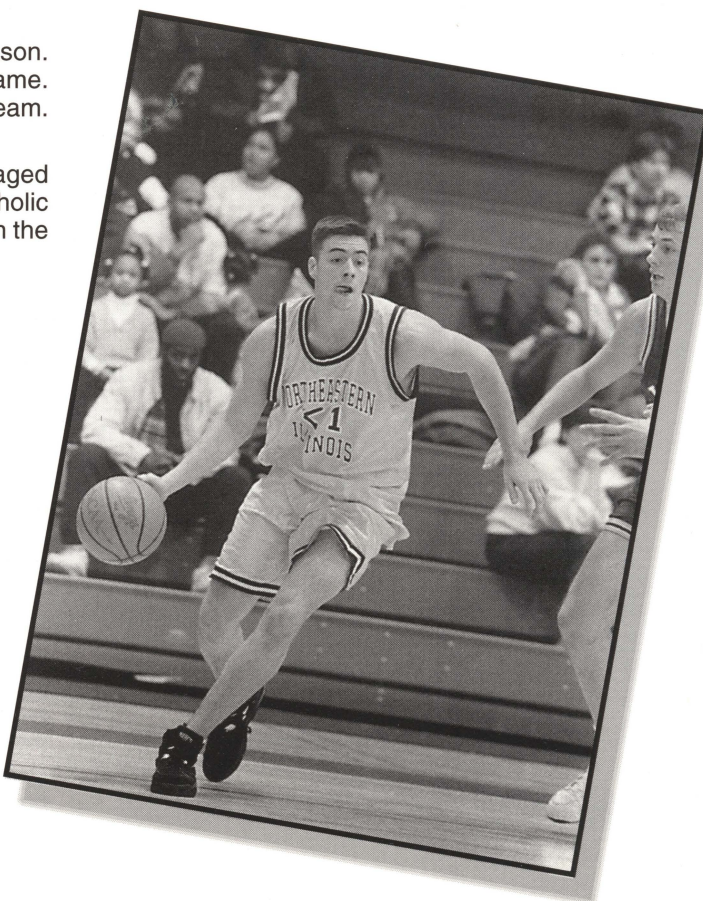
Favorite Athlete: Chris Mullin

Favorite Team: Chicago Bulls

Academic Major: Criminal Justice

Parents: Terry and Mary Pat Casper

Favorite Place to Visit: St. Thomas, Virgin Islands



Casper's NEIU Career Stats

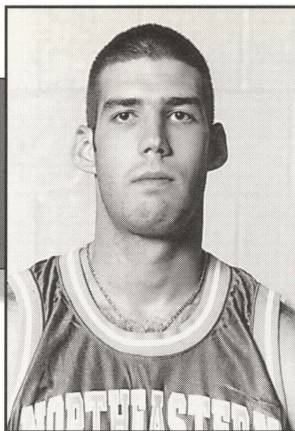
YEAR	G/GS	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AVG	ASST	ST	PTS	AVG
1992-93	11/1	6	15	40%	1	5	20%	9	10	90%	8	0.7	0	1	22	2.0
1994-95	25/12	50	105	.476	12	28	.429	32	46	.696	83	3.3	20	11	144	5.8
Totals	26/13	50	105	.466	13	33	.393	41	56	.732	91	2.6	20	12	166	4.6



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PROFILE



Andy Christopoulos

6-8 • 220 • Junior • C-F

Sparta, Greece

Sparta High School

Christopoulos File

Nickname: Cristos

Birthdate: September 17, 1973

Favorite foods: Lamb, pizza

Favorite team: Chicago Bulls

Favorite place to vacation: Greece

Sophomore Year notes at NEIU...

Played in 18 games as a front line reserve off the bench for NEIU. Scored a career-high 11 points at Valparaiso making 4 of 4 field goals and 3 of 4 free throws vs. the Crusaders. . . Had a stretch of four games hitting 10 of 11 field goals (Buffalo, Valparaiso, at Eastern Illinois and Western Illinois) scoring 24 points (6.0 avg) with 12 rebounds.... Ended the season with a 2.3 scoring avg. 1.3 rebounds per game, shooting .517 % from the field on 15 of 29 shooting.

High School Notes...

Native of Athens, Greece, who is in his second year at Northeastern Illinois. Improving inside player who averaged 16 points, 9 rebounds and 4 assists per game his senior year at Sparta High School in Athens.

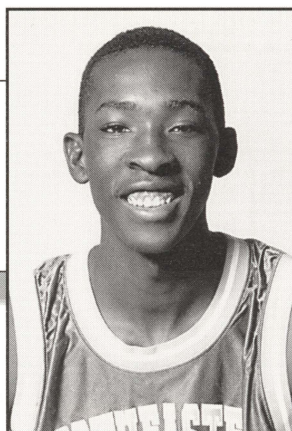


Christopoulos' NEIU Career Stats

YEAR	G/GS	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AVG	ASST	ST	PTS	AVG
1994-95	18/0	15	29	.517	0	1	.000	11	26	.423	23	1.3	7	3	41	2.3
Totals	18/0	15	29	.517	0	1	.000	11	26	.423	23	1.3	7	3	41	2.3

Jean Gaspard

6-1 • 170 • Senior • Guard
Port-au-Prince, Haiti
Sullivan High School / Chicago



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PROFILE

1994-95 Notes at NEIU...

Played in 17 games for the Golden Eagles last year.... Scored 11 second half points at UMKC to key comeback.... Averaged 2.3 points hitting 7 of 15 three-poiners overall.

High School Notes...

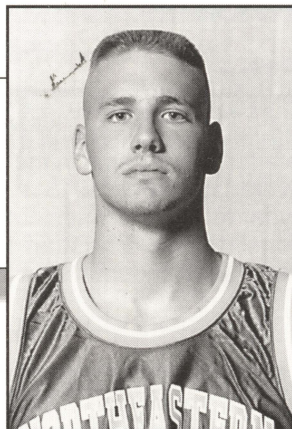
Hard-working walk-on player who is very popular with his teammates and the NEIU student body. Outstanding shooting range. Averaged 15 points, 7 rebounds and 5 assists at Sullivan High School his senior year. He won the Sullivan Slam Dunk Contest in 1991. Played for Coach Mark Moskowitz at Sullivan.

Gaspard File

Nickname: Haitain sensation
Birthdate: January 18, 1972
Parent: Ceriltone Baudin
Favorite foods: Ribs
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan
Favorite team: Houston Rockets
Favorite place to vacation: Jamaica

Steve Schahczenski

6-4 • 200 • Sophomore • Guard
Marinette, Wisconsin
Catholic Central High School



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PROFILE

Freshman year notes at NEIU...

Missed the final 21 games with a back injury last season..Played in the first five games scoring a career-high 10 points vs. UW-Milwaukee hitting 3-4 field goals and 4-4 free throws vs. the Panthers....Played in the Illini Classic (Dec. 9-10) and did not play again last season for the Golden Eagles.

High School Notes

High-scoring guard who averaged 23.5 points as a junior then over 30 points per game his senior season for Marinette Central. Was ranked one of the top Wisconsin high school players leading into the 1993-94 season based off his MVP/All-Star camp play at both the DePaul and Northwestern University summer camps. Was junior class President and listed among Who's Who of national high school honor students. Scored career high 45 points in a game during his senior year. Averaged 30.1 pts./game in 1993-94. Set school scoring record with 1,869 career points. Three-time team MVP.

Schahczenski File

Nickname: Shaq
Birthdate: November 22, 1975
Parents: Arvid and Debbie Schahczenski
Favorite Food: Chicken
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan
Favorite Team: Chicago Bulls

Schahczenski's NEIU Career Stats

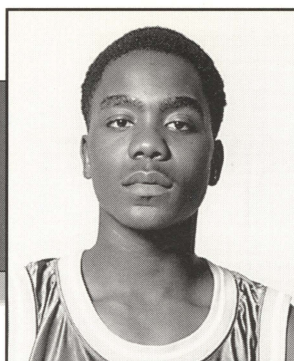
YEAR	G/GS	FG	FGA	FG%	3FG	3FGA	3%	FT	FTA	FT%	REB	AVG	ASST	ST	PTS	AVG
1994-95	5/0	3	7	.429	0	1	.000	4	6	.667	5	1.0	3	1	10	2.0
Totals	5/0	3	7	.429	0	1	.000	4	6	.667	5	1.0	3	1	10	2.0



PLAYER

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PROFILE



William Keys

6-1 • 160 • Freshman • Guard
Chicago, Illinois
Manley High School

High School Notes...

Two-year varsity performer at Manley High School.... Scored in double figures with over 8 assists per game from his point guard position for the Wildcats....Was named team MVP earning All-sectional, All-City and Nike/City Suburban Cinderella Game honors....Was a Red-West Conference all-star selection following his senior season....Was a two-time Quincy Invitational all-tournament team pick.

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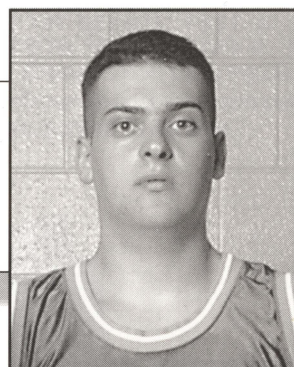
Nickname: Lil' Keys
Birthdate: October 2, 1976
Parent: Anna Keys
Favorite Foods: Pizza, Tacos, Spaghetti
Favorite Athlete: Isiah Thomas
Favorite Team: Chicago Bulls
Favorite City to vacation: Orlando

Adnan Krupalija

7-2 • 260 • Freshman • Center
Sarajevo City, Bosnia
Faith Academy High School

High School Notes...

Played basketball and soccer at Rockford's Faith Academy last year....Outstanding hands and passing skills for a 7-2 player who will compete for playing time in the front line this season as a frosh....Averaged 28 points, 15 rebounds and 7 blocks per game last year for the Falcons....Was a member of the state champions (Illinois Christian High School Association) undefeated Faith Academy team in 1994-95.



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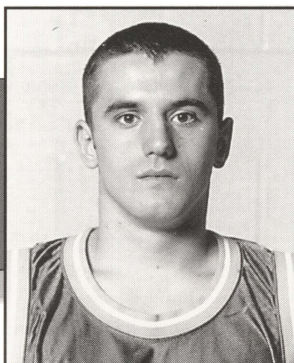
Krupalija File

Nickname: Adi
Birthdate: August 25, 1976
Parents: Suad and Emina Krupalija
Favorite food: Chicken
Favorite Athlete: Hakeem Olujuwan
Favorite team: Orlando Magic
Favorite city to vacation: Denver

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PROFILE



Josip Maric

6-1 • 175 • Freshman • Guard
Zepce, Bosnia
St. Edward's High School

High School Notes...

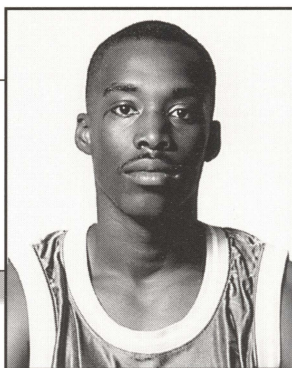
Elgin High School - St. Edward's star who averaged 21.3 points, 6.9 assists, and 4.1 rebounds with an 83.5 FT% last year....Was named first team All-SCC Conference two seasons and earned all-state honors in single "A"Was the captain of the Bosnian Junior National Team....As a junior at St. Edward's - averaged 22.7 points, 9.2 assists and 2.7 steals per game.

Maric File

Nickname: Mara
Birthdate: February 27, 1976
Parents: Auito and Ljubica
Favorite Foods: Sarma, Cevapcici
Favorite Athlete: Serge Bubka
Favorite Team: The '89 Yugoslavian National basketball team
Favorite City to vacation: Lucern, Switzerland

Andrell Hoard

6-3 • 185 • Junior • Guard
Chicago, Illinois
Washington High School



PLAYER

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PROFILE

Hoard Notes...

Transferred to Northeastern Illinois University from Chicago's Olive-Harvey College.... Led the nation JUCOs in scoring with a 32.4 scoring avg. in 1993-94.... Was rated among the top JC guards in the country with a top ten mark in three-point FG% (.411).... Olive-Harvey was a regional NJCM Final Four participant.

Was an All-Blue South Conference selection two years playing for George Washington High School.... Averaged over 24 points per game and was team captain and MVP earning all-regional honors his senior season.

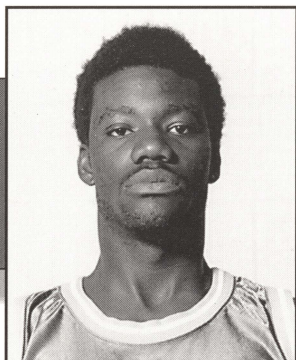
Hoard File

Nickname: Highlight
Birthdate: March 31, 1974
Parent: Bernice Phillips
Favorite Food: Chicken
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan
Favorite team: Chicago Bulls

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PROFILE

**Horris Pollard**

6-9 • 230 • Junior • F-C
Chicago, Illinois
Whitney Young High School

Pollard File

Nickname: Big Horris
Birthdate: May 6, 1976
Parents: Marie and Horris Pollard
Favorite Food: Pizza
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan
Favorite Team: Houston Rockets
Favorite place to vacation: Florida

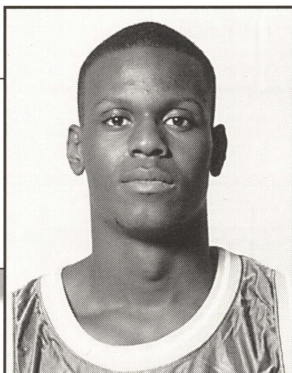
Pollard Notes...

Transferred to NEIU from Polk Community College in Florida.... Averaged 11.2 points and 7.5 rebounds last season at Polk CC.... Earned all-conference mention.

Comes home to Chicago -attended Whitney Young High School and was a member of the Dolphins' 21-7 and 26-4 teams as a junior/senior.... As a junior he averaged 8 pts and 4 rebs... Averaged 16 points, 11 rebounds and 4 blocks his senior season earning all-Red West Conference honors... Teams were in the Elite 8 and Sweet 16 in Chicago City Public League Playoffs.

Andrae Bellfield

6-4 • 185 • Junior • Guard
Minneapolis, Minnesota
North High School



PLAYER

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PROFILE

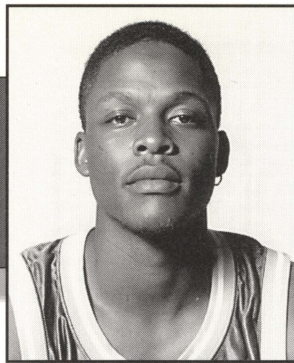
Bellfield Notes...

Transfer from Casper Community College in Wyoming (1993-94) and Brainerd CC in Minnesota (1992-93).... Averaged 20 points per game at Brainerd and 15 points per game at Casper College.

At Minneapolis North High School he was an all-metro selection averaging 21 points and 10 rebounds for the Polars.... Was a Mr. Basketball of Minnesota All-Star candidate his senior year.... Will major in Education at NEIU.

Bellfield File

Nicknames: Drae and Cool Breeze
Birthdate: September 21, 1974
Parent: Ethella Bellfield
Favorite Foods: Steak and Chicken
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan
Favorite Team: Houston Rockets
Favorite Place to vacation: Hawaii

**PLAYER****10****PROFILE****Chris Morrow****6-1 • 170 • Sophomore • Guard
Chicago, Illinois
Morgan Park High School****High School Notes...**

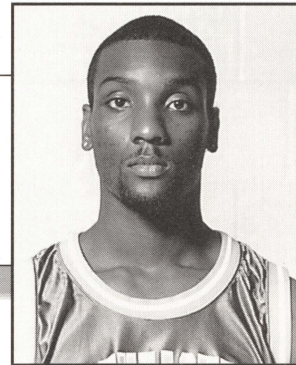
High-scoring guard for Coach Herb Ray in 1993-94 at Morgan Park. Averaged 24 points and 7 assists playing both the point and off guard positions. Earned All-Conference honors as a junior and senior. Shot 58.7% from the field and 75% from the free throw line. Will major in Business Management at Northeastern Illinois.

1994-95...

Did not play for the Golden Eagles last season.

Morrow File

Nickname: Morrow
Birthdate: May 25, 1975
Parents: Lois and Henry Morrow
Favorite food: Chicken
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan
Favorite Team: Chicago Bulls
Favorite City to vacation: Miami

DeVaughn Halsel**6-7 • 205 • Junior • Forward
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Brashear High School****PLAYER****33****PROFILE****Halsel Notes...**

Transferred to NEIU from Kennedy King College in Chicago....Was a JC All-American candidate at Kennedy King averaging 21 points, 14 rebounds and 3 blocks per game.

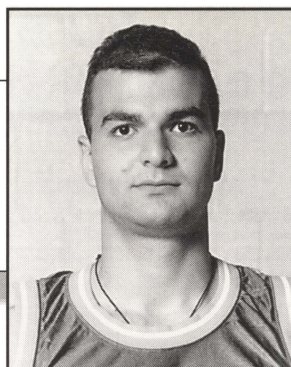
At Brashear High School he was a seven-time academic honor roll student earning all-conference honors two years....As a senior, averaged 17 points, 14 rebounds and 5 blocks. Was an all-city league Player of the Year and team MVP....Student Council President.

Halsel File

Nickname: D.V.
Birthdate: July 17, 1974
Parents: Grover and Roni Halsel
Favorite Food: Pizza and Ice Cream
Favorite Athlete: Dennis Rodman
Favorite Team: San Antonio Spurs
Favorite Place to vacation: Hawaii

Leonidas Nicoloudes

6-4 • 215 • Sophomore • Guard
Kinshasha, Zaire



PLAYER

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PROFILE

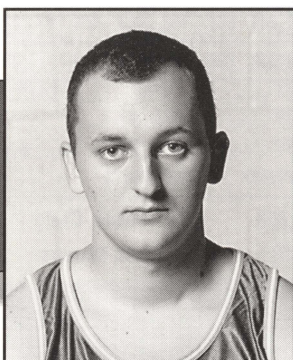
Nicoloudes Notes...

Walk-on player for the Golden Eagles....Played varsity basketball at Pireas High School in Zaire with a two-year award winning championship team....Averaged 13 points, 5 assists and 28 minutes of playing time as a senior....8.5 points, 4 assists, 19 minutes playing time as a junior at Pireas.

Nicoloudes File

Nickname: Zaire
Birthdate: January 19, 1974
Parents: Pambos and Catherine Nicoloudes
Favorite Foods: Chicken/Spaghetti
Favorite Athlete: Michael Jordan
Favorite Teams: Chicago Bulls, Bears, Cubs
Favorite City to vacation: Miami

PLAYER



PROFILE

Aleksander Kosoric

6-3 • 200 • Freshman • Guard
Sarajevo, Bosnia
DeKalb High School

Kosoric File

Nickname: Eight-ball
Birthdate: February 4, 1976
Parents: Joe and Karen Grush
Favorite Food: Pasta
Favorite Athlete: Chris Zorich
Favorite team: Chicago Cubs
Favorite City to vacation: Barcelona

Kosoric Notes...

Played two years of varsity basketball at DeKalb High School.... Was an all Upstate Eight Conference selection leading the league in assists (co-leader/6.9 game).... Was third in the conference in FT% and three-point FG%... Averaged 12.5 points per game and was named to the academic honor roll at Dekalb.... Had four-years of Bosnia Club Team experience playing for the National Junior team.

Golden Eagle Basketball - Academic Honors/Awards

Cumulative GPA's:

Brian Bestor 3.05	Andy Christopoulos.... 3.19	Mike Schott 3.01
Mark Heidersbach 3.75	Matt Wallace 3.40	Tom Conroy 3.30

1995 Spring Semester Basketball GPA's:

President's Level (3.60/above)	Mark Heidersbach..... 4.00	
Director's Level (3.30 - 3.59)	Tom Conroy 3.50	
Coach's Level (3.00 - 3.29)	Brian Bestor 3.21	Mike Casper 3.00
	Jean Gaspard 3.00	Matt Wallace 3.00
	Andy Christopoulos.... 3.00	

(Bestor was named to the 1994-95 Mid-Continent Conference All-Academic Team)



Northeastern Illinois Men's Basketball

1994-95 Final Stats - (4-22, 2-16 Mid-Continent Record)

	PLAYER	TOTAL 3-POINTERS										REBOUNDS														PTS	AVG	
		GP/GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	PF	FO	A	TO	BLK	ST					
40	Nowels, Craig	26	26	863	33.2	119	297	.401	4	8	.500	77	153	.503	70	96	166	6.4	83	1	34	78	22	28	319	12.3		
13	Bestor, Brian	26	26	931	35.8	95	250	.380	45	128	.352	66	93	.710	16	76	92	3.5	100	6	109	81	0	37	301	11.6		
23	O'Quinn, Monte	11	11	342	31.1	59	117	.504	0	3	.000	68	102	.667	43	43	86	7.8	34	3	10	27	3	13	186	16.9		
24	Schott, Mike	26	24	665	25.6	61	162	.377	41	111	.369	22	33	.667	40	59	99	3.8	69	4	37	48	2	21	185	7.1		
52	Bennett, Ralph	25	16	583	23.3	63	160	.394	12	40	.300	21	28	.750	26	54	80	3.2	46	1	25	40	31	13	159	6.4		
21	Casper, Mike	25	12	480	19.2	50	105	.476	12	28	.429	32	46	.696	36	47	83	3.3	50	0	20	39	2	11	144	5.8		
03	Heidersbach, Mark	10	8	265	26.5	35	103	.340	27	76	.355	12	17	.706	13	15	28	2.8	26	1	20	18	2	12	109	10.9		
53	Wallace, Matt	26	1	329	12.7	37	93	.398	4	8	.500	13	24	.542	26	42	68	2.6	36	0	7	20	7	11	91	3.5		
04	Conroy, Tom	10	4	218	21.8	20	53	.377	2	13	.154	16	24	.667	2	11	13	1.3	19	1	30	25	2	7	58	5.8		
10	West, Marcus	2	2	69	34.5	17	34	.500	10	21	.476	8	10	.800	1	5	6	3.0	5	0	8	8	0	5	52	26.0		
34	Christopoulos, Andy	18	0	149	8.3	15	29	.517	0	1	.000	11	26	.423	15	8	23	1.3	26	0	7	11	1	3	41	2.3		
30	Gaspard, Jean	17	0	159	9.4	12	36	.333	7	15	.467	8	15	.533	6	13	19	1.1	20	0	8	16	0	7	39	2.3		
44	Brashaw, Jeff	11	0	72	6.5	6	14	.429	0	1	.000	1	2	.500	4	6	10	0.9	11	0	3	7	1	2	13	1.2		
14	Schahczenski, Steve	5	0	61	12.2	3	7	.429	0	1	.000	4	6	.667	2	3	5	1.0	4	0	3	3	4	1	10	2.0		
42	Henry, Nate	6	0	38	6.3	2	6	.333	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	1	4	5	0.8	2	0	5	4	0	1	4	0.7		
TEAM REBOUNDS																48	62	110										
NEIU		26	5224				594	1466	.405	164	456	.360	359	579	.620	349	544	893	34.3	531	17	326	425	77	172	1711	65.8	
Opponents		26	5025				701	1437	.488	130	357	.364	415	599	.693	322	625	947	36.4	494			399	381	68	214	1947	74.9

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/25/94	6:30	at Miami (Fla.)	48-66	L	1,858	(15) Nowels, Craig	(10) Nowels, Craig
12/03/94	7:00	LAKELAND COLLEGE	104-95	W	116	(39) West, Marcus	(8) Casper, Mike
12/05/94	7:00	UW-MILWAUKEE	85-76	W	152	(20) Heidersbach, Mark	(10) O'Quinn, Monte
12/09/94	7:00	at Illinois	53-71	L	14,660	(21) O'Quinn, Monte	(9) O'Quinn, Monte
12/10/94	5:30	at Eastern Illinois	53-64	L	5,007	(16) Bestor, Brian	(9) O'Quinn, Monte
							(9) Nowels, Craig
12/13/94	7:00	ILLINOIS-CHICAGO	74-103	L	276	(26) Nowels, Craig	(15) Nowels, Craig
12/17/94	7:30	at UW-Milwaukee	69-74	L	2,244	(26) O'Quinn, Monte	(8) O'Quinn, Monte
							(8) Nowels, Craig
12/21/94	7:00	at Nebraska	60-101	L	9,882	(21) O'Quinn, Monte	(8) O'Quinn, Monte
1/3/95	5:30	• vs YOUNGSTOWN STATE	58-49	W	217	(22) O'Quinn, Monte	(9) O'Quinn, Monte
1/5/95	7:50	• vs BUFFALO	62-73	L	233	(25) O'Quinn, Monte	(9) O'Quinn, Monte
1/7/95	7:30	• at Valparaiso	45-64	L	2123	(12) Schott, Mike	(6) O'Quinn, Monte
1/9/95	7:30	• at Eastern Illinois	60-83	L	2433	(19) Nowels, Craig	(6) Schott, Mike
1/14/95	7:50	• WESTERN ILLINOIS	71-68	W OT	544	(22) Bestor, Brian	(8) Nowels, Craig
1/16/95	8:00	• MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY	60-68	L	320	(19) Nowels, Craig	(9) Bennett, Ralph
1/21/95	7:30	• at Troy State	60-84	L	1066	(19) Nowels, Craig	(12) Bennett, Ralph
1/23/95	8:30	• at C. Connecticut	57-74	L	615	(16) Nowels, Craig	(11) Nowels, Craig
1/28/95	4:00	• at Chicago State	78-90	L	522	(19) Bennett, Ralph	(8) Casper, Mike
2/4/95	8:00	• at Buffalo	52-56	L	2103	(14) Bestor, Brian	(14) Bennett, Ralph
2/6/95	7:30	• at Youngstown State	50-71	L	1811	(12) Nowels, Craig	(9) Nowels, Craig
2/13/95	7:50	• VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY	78-87	L	317	(23) Bestor, Brian	(8) Casper, Mike
2/11/95	7:50	• EASTERN ILLINOIS	58-74	L	735	(13) Bennett, Ralph	(6) Bestor, Brian
							(6) Wallace, Matt
2/18/95	7:30	• at UM-Kansas City	77-78	L	3474	(21) Bestor, Brian	(5) Nowels, Craig
2/20/95	7:30	• at Western Illinois	84-93	L	2282	(23) Bestor, Brian	(9) Nowels, Craig
2/23/95	7:50	• C. CONNECTICUT	70-83	L	159	(20) Bestor, Brian	(9) Wallace, Matt
2/25/95	7:50	• TROY STATE	82-85	L	272	(19) Schott, Mike	(9) Wallace, Matt
2/27/95	7:50	• CHICAGO STATE	65-73	L	374	(19) Nowels, Craig	(6) Casper, Mike
							(6) Nowels, Craig

NEIU RECORDS

ALL TIME TEAM RECORDS

30 SEASONS • 1965-66 THROUGH 1994-95

GAME

Most Points Scored	130	vs. Chicago State	1976-77
Most Points Allowed	150	vs. Oakland	1987-88
Fewest Points Scored	21	vs. William Penn	1969-70
Fewest Points Allowed	20	vs. William Penn	1969-70
Most Points Both Teams	259	vs. Chicago State	1976-77
Biggest Winning Margin	69	vs. Purdue-North Central	1972-73
Three Pointers	11 (twice)	vs. Oakland, vs. UW Parkside	1989-90
Three Pointers Attempted	26	vs. Wisconsin-Parkside	1989-90
Three Pointer Percentage	68.8% (11-16)	vs. Wisconsin-Parkside	1989-90

SEASON

Most Wins	23	1973-74	Three Pointer Percentage	38.1%	1989-90
Most Losses	27	1987-88	Rebounds	1569	1973-74
Highest Winning Percentage ..	760	1966-67	Points	2862	1973-74
Field Goals	1208	1973-74	Steals	358	1991-92
Field Goals Attempted	2931	1973-74	Forced Turnovers	593	1991-92
Free Throws	587	1979-80	Highest Opponent		
Free Throws Attempted	866	1979-80	Field Goal Percentage	51.7%	1990-91
Three Pointers Made	175	1993-94	Highest Opponent		
Three Pointers Attempted	518	1993-94	Free Throw Percentage ...	73.5%	1989-90
Field Goal Percentage	46.4%	1966-67	Most 100 Point Games	11	1970-71
Free Throw Percentage	72.4%	1976-77			



Dr. Vivian L. Fuller with SportChannel's Jim Blaney during last year's Mid-Continent Conference TV Game of the Week at NEIU's PE Complex.



Year-by-Year Records 1965-1995

YEAR	WON	LOST	COACH
1965-66	6	9	Gerald Butler
1966-67	19	6	Gerald Butler
1967-68	14	12	Gerald Butler
1968-69	12	13	Gerald Butler
1969-70	7	16	Tom Gulan
1970-71	15	13	Isadore 'Spin' Salario
1971-72	6	19	Isadore 'Spin' Salario
1972-73	22	7	Isadore 'Spin' Salario
1973-74*#	23	10	Isadore 'Spin' Salario
1974-75*#	15	16	Isadore 'Spin' Salario
1975-76#	21	9	Isadore 'Spin' Salario
1976-77	17	13	Doug DeVincent
1977-78	12	14	Doug DeVincent
1978-79	6	19	John Schultz
1979-80	15	19	John Schultz
1980-81#	11	19	John Schultz
1981-82	9	24	Chris Kalamatas
1982-83	12	24	Chris Kalamatas
1983-84#	5	25	Chris Kalamatas
1984-85#	12	18	Chris Kalamatas
1985-86	7	24	Chris Kalamatas
1986-87	7	24	Chris Kalamatas
1987-88	4	27	Chris Kalamatas
1988-89#	11	17	Rees Johnson
1989-90&	6	21	Rees Johnson
1990-91\$	2	25	Rees Johnson
1991-92\$	8	20	Rees Johnson
1992-93\$	11	16	Rees Johnson
1993-94\$	17	11	Rees Johnson
1994-95\$	4	22	Rees Johnson

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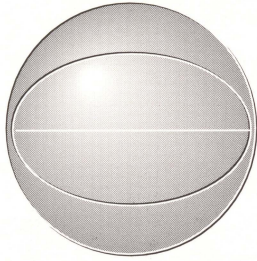
Career Coaching Records

COACH	YEARS	GAMES	WON	LOST	PCT.
Gerald Butler	1965-69	91	51	40	.560
Tom Gulan	1969-70	23	7	16	.304
Isadore Salario	1970-76	176	102	74	.580
Doug DeVincent	1976-78	56	29	27	.518
John Schultz	1978-81	89	32	57	.360
Chns Kalamatas	1981-88	222	56	166	.253
Rees Johnson	1988	191	59	132	.321
Totals	30 years	848	336	512	.396



All-Time Career Scoring LEADERS (700 or more)

1. Gary Staniec	1972-76	2121
2. Tyrone Rutues	1974-78	1838
3. Phil Schaefer	1978-82	1686
4. Pete Shepherd	1982-86	1586
5. Dave Guse	1984-88	1502
6. Marty O' Gradney	1970-74	1311
7. Dan Patton	1986-90	1309
8. Sam Clark	1974-78	1275
9. Dan Crawford	1971-75	1165
10. Reggie Smith	1992-94	1160
11. Lamarr Mondane	1976-78	1135
12. Ron Czekalski	1967-71	1124
13. Norman Thomas	1969-72	1091
14. John Leonard	1986-88	1077
15. Tony Cabil	1984-86	1008
16. Duke Gunter	1966-69	971
17. Eric Sawyer	1978-80	965
18. Bobby Beckam	1974-77	935
19. Sid Pointer	1989-92	918
20. Darrell Space	1982-84	908
21. Anthony Sturdivant	1980-94	886
22. Doug DeVincent	1966-68	855
23. Alvin Bibbs	1979-83	846
24. Angelo Mantis	1988-90	809
25. Jim DiMatteo	1970-74	805
26. Tom Coticchio	1967-71	801
27. Jim Williams	1969-73	729
28. Dennis Smith	1982-85	729
29. Tom Horn	1979-82	708



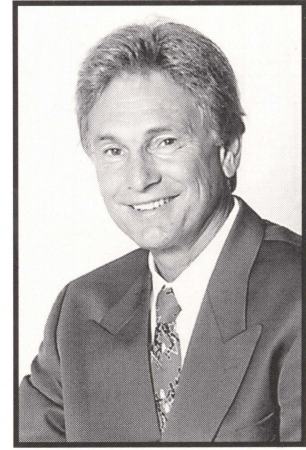
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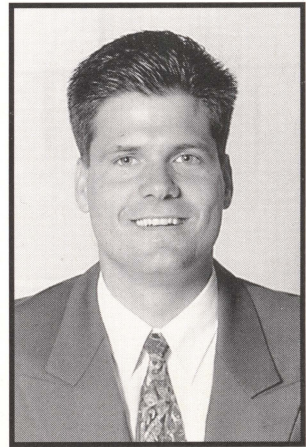
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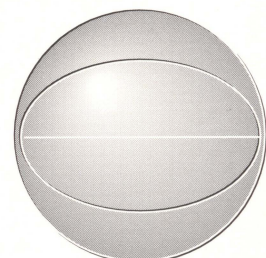
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Golden Eagle Basketball 1995-96 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Nov. 15	Chicago Challengers	HOME	7:00 pm
Nov. 20	Russian Spartak	HOME	7:00 pm
Nov. 24	@Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	6:30 pm
Nov. 26	CARDINAL-STRITCH (Wis.)	HOME	4:00 pm
Nov. 28	@ Wisconsin	Madison, Wis.	7:00 pm
Dec. 7	@UW-Milwaukee	Milwaukee, Wis.	3:30 pm
Dec. 9	@Illinois-Chicago	UIC/Pavillion	7:00 pm
Dec. 14	UW-MILWAUKEE	HOME	7:00 pm
Dec. 16	@Cal-State Northridge	Northridge, Calif.	9:00 pm
Dec. 18	@University of Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.	7:30 pm
Dec. 20	VITERBO COLLEGE (Wis.)	HOME	7:00 pm
Jan. 4	• @Valparaiso University	Valparaiso, Ind.	7:30 pm
Jan. 6	• TROY STATE (Mid-Con TV)	HOME	11:00 am
Jan. 8	• CENTRAL CONNECTICUT	HOME	7:50 pm
Jan. 13	• @Youngstown State	Youngstown, Ohio	7:30 pm
Jan. 15	• @Buffalo	Buffalo, NY	6:30 pm
Jan. 20	• WESTERN ILLINOIS (NEIU Homecoming)	HOME	3:00 pm
Jan. 22	• MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY	HOME	7:50 pm
Jan. 24	• @Eastern Illinois	Charleston, Ill.	7:30 pm
Jan. 29	• @Chicago State	Chicago, Ill.	7:30 pm
Feb. 3	• @Central Connecticut	New Britain, Conn.	7:00 pm
Feb. 5	• @Troy State	Troy, Ala.	7:30 pm
Feb. 10	• BUFFALO	HOME	7:50 pm
Feb. 12	• YOUNGSTOWN STATE	HOME	7:50 pm
Feb. 17	• @Missouri-Kansas City	Kansas City, Mo.	7:30 pm
Feb. 19	• @Western Illinois	Macomb, Ill.	7:30 pm
Feb. 24	• CHICAGO STATE	HOME	7:50 pm
Feb. 26	• VALPARAISO	HOME	7:50 pm
Feb. 28	• EASTERN ILLINOIS	HOME	7:50pm
March 3-5	• Mid-Continent Conference Tournament @Moline, Illinois		

• Mid-Continent Conference games

Home Games in Bold/Blue

@ Away games

Note times (Jan. 6 -11 am/Mid-Con TV game/Sportschannel)

(Jan. 20 -1996 NEIU Homecoming - 3 pm start)