



*2007 BASEBALL*  
***CENTRAL COLLEGE***  
***PRESSBOOK***





Founded —1853

Enrollment — 1,606

Affiliation — Reformed Church in America

President — Dr. David Roe

Membership — Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, National Collegiate Athletic Association, Division III

Founded in 1853, Central College is a four-year coeducational liberal arts college of the Reformed Church in America. Located 40 miles southeast of Des Moines, Central offers its 1,606 students learning opportunities not only on the Pella campus, but on branch campuses in London and Colchester, England; Merida, Yucatan, Mexico; Leiden, the Netherlands; and Bangor, Wales; and at study centers in Granada, Spain; Paris, France; and Vienna, Austria.

Central is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, Division III, and the Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Men compete in baseball, football, basketball, tennis, golf, wrestling, soccer, track and cross country while women compete in tennis, golf, track, softball, volleyball, cross country, soccer and basketball. Rugby is offered at the club level.

#### **The A.N. Kuyper Athletics Complex**

The A.N. Kuyper Athletics Complex is located at the corner of Independence Street and West Fifth Street in southwest Pella. The complex includes P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium (1970), H.S. Kuyper Fieldhouse (1987), Ron and Joyce Schipper Stadium (1977) and track (2007), the baseball and softball fields (1978), Ryerson Golf Practice Range (2002), tennis courts (1992), soccer field (2005) and the Schipper Fitness Center (1999). The complex also includes practice and intramural softball diamonds and football fields. Golf meets are held at the Bos Landen Golf Resort, two miles southwest of the campus on Highway T-15.

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## ATHLETICS DEPT. STAFF

Athletics director	Al Dorenkamp
Special assistant to the athletics director	John Edwards
Director of intramurals	Adam Stevens
Events supervisor	Charlie Estabrook
Athletics office manager	Jeffy Schuring
Athletics secretary	Becky Cook
Head athletic trainer	Leslie Duinink
Assistant athletic trainer	Greg Gilmore
Assistant athletic trainer	Chris Vieselman
Athletic training education program director	John Roslien
Strength and conditioning/ Ron Schipper Fitness Center coordinator	Jake Anderson
Strength and conditioning assistant	Tim Bates
Sports information director	Larry Happel

## FACULTY ATHLETIC COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Dr. Dennis Doyle, associate professor of communication studies  
 Dr. Edmond Willis, professor of psychology  
 Dr. Lori Witt, assistant professor of history

## COACHING STAFF

<b>Baseball</b>	Adam Stevens
Assistant baseball	John Jaeger
Assistant baseball	Wade Van Vark
<b>Basketball--Men's</b>	Mike Boschee
Assistant basketball	Nic Nelson
Assistant basketball	Joe Steinkamp
Assistant basketball	Phil Hemming
<b>Basketball--Women's</b>	Natalie Nacic
Assistant basketball	Jerry Nikkel
<b>Cross country--Men's/women's</b>	Dave Paulsen
Assistant cross country	Stephen Fyfe
Assistant cross country	Jay Rhoten
Assistant cross country	Bryan George
<b>Football</b>	Jeff McMartin
Assistant football	Jeff Bollard--tight ends
Assistant football	Kevin Sanger--receivers/ special teams
Assistant football	Don De Waard--linebackers/ defensive coordinator
Assistant football	Reid Evans--offensive line

Assistant football	Matt Paulsen--defensive backs
Assistant football	David Roe--kickers/punters
Assistant football	Jeff Sanger--stingers
Assistant football	Eric Jones--defensive line
Assistant football	Jerry Southmayd--running backs
Assistant football	Travis Sterling--player development/ LEAD program director

<b>Golf--Men's</b>	Charlie Estabrook
Assistant golf	Tom Linton
Assistant golf	Clint Brown

<b>Golf--Women's</b>	Jodee Schaben
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<b>Soccer--Men's</b>	Garry Laidlaw
Assistant soccer	John Milligan

<b>Soccer--Women's</b>	Rick Burns
Assistant soccer	Kathryn Burns
Assistant soccer	Russell Goodman

<b>Softball</b>	George Wares
Associate softball	Alicia O'Brien
Assistant softball	Steph Anderson

<b>Tennis--Men's/women's (interim)</b>	Greg Gilmore
Assistant women's tennis	Rod Braun
Assistant men's tennis	Tait Smock

<b>Track and field--Men's/women's</b>	Kevin Sanger
Associate track and field	Guy Mosher
Assistant track and field	Dave Paulsen
Assistant track and field	Jay Rhoten
Assistant track and field	Stephen Fyfe
Assistant track and field	Bryan George
Assistant track and field	Mike Marcinkowski
Assistant track and field	Eric Pingel
Assistant track and field	Sean Clark

<b>Volleyball</b>	Kent Clayberg
Assistant volleyball	Catie Brand
Assistant volleyball	Sunny Eighmy
Assistant volleyball	TBA

<b>Wrestling</b>	Eric Reed
Assistant wrestling	Kevin Azinger
Assistant wrestling	Tom Carr
Assistant wrestling	Matt Diehl

## HEAD COACH DIRECTORY

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# Baseball

## 2007 Central College baseball schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
March 1	Hamline (Minn)	Minneapolis, Minn.	7 a.m.
March 10	Benedictine (Ill.)	\$Fort Myers, Fla.	#1 p.m.
March 11	New Jersey City	&Fort Myers, Fla.	#9 a.m.
March 12	+Ohio Wesleyan	!Port Charlotte, Fla.	#9:30 a.m.
March 13	+Stevens Tech (N.J.)	!Port Charlotte, Fla.	#2:30 p.m.
March 14	+Concordia (Wis.)	\$Port Charlotte, Fla.	#1 p.m.
March 15	+Fitchburg State (Mass.)	\$Port Charlotte, Fla.	#6 p.m.
March 16	Greenville (Ill.)	^Port Charlotte, Fla.	#12:30 p.m.
March 23	*+Luther	Decorah	3 p.m.
March 24	*Luther	Decorah	1 p.m.
March 27	+Mount Mercy	Pella	2 p.m.
March 30	*+Cornell	Pella	3 p.m.
March 31	*Cornell	Pella	1 p.m.
April 3	*Simpson	Indianola	3 p.m.
April 6	*+Coe	Cedar Rapids	3 p.m.
April 7	*Coe	Cedar Rapids	1 p.m.
April 13	*+Dubuque	Pella	3 p.m.
April 14	* Dubuque	Pella	1 p.m.
April 17	+Grinnell	Grinnell	2:30 p.m.
April 18	*+Simpson	Pella	3 p.m.
April 20	*+Loras	Pella	3 p.m.
April 21	*Loras	Pella	1 p.m.
April 24	*Buena Vista	Pella	1 p.m.
April 28	Clarke	Dubuque	1 p.m.
May 2	*+Buena Vista	Storm Lake	6 p.m.
May 4	*+Wartburg	Waverly	TBA
May 5	*Wartburg	Waverly	1 p.m.

\*Iowa Conference game

+nine-inning game; others are seven-inning doubleheaders

#Eastern Standard Time

\$Cape Coral Complex Field #2

&Terry Park Complex Field #4

!Port Charlotte Field No. 4

^Port Charlotte Field No. 2

\$Port Charlotte Stadium

## 2007 Central College JV baseball schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
March 28	Marshalltown CC	Marshalltown	1 p.m.
April 2	Indian Hills CC	Centerville	3 p.m.
April 11	North Central Missouri CC	Pella	1 p.m.
April 17	*Grinnell	Grinnell	4:30 p.m.
April 19	Coe	Cedar Rapids	3 p.m.
April 23	Marshalltown CC	Pella	3 p.m.
April 26	Simpson	Indianola	3 p.m.
April 30	Indian Hills CC	Pella	2 p.m.

\*Single seven-inning game; others are seven-inning doubleheaders

## BASEBALL QUICK FACTS

**2006 record:** 26-14 overall, 11-5 conference (tie, first place)

**Returning 2004 all-conference selections:** 2 (P-Brett Mahan, first team; 1B-Jeremy Kippley, second team)

**Position starters lost:** 3 (C-Adam Duerfeldt, 3B-Matt Murphy, CF-Shea Stamp)

**Starting pitchers lost:** 0

**Position starters returning:** 6 (1B-Jeremy Kippley, RF-Thomas Sheehan, LF-Derek Knutson, DH-Michael Edwards, 2B-Jake Jadowski, SS-Justin Owens)

**Starting pitchers returning:** 4 (Brett Mahan, Mike Luce, Jared Greenfield, Kyle Fuerstenberg)

**Letterwinners lost/returning:** 8/14

**2007 captains:** Michael Edwards, Mike Luce, Tom Sheehan

### Adam Stevens

#### Head coach

The 2005 Iowa Conference co-coach of the year, Adam Stevens is engineering a quick turnaround in the Central College baseball program, guiding the Dutch to a share of the 2006 league crown, the school's first conference baseball title since 1975.

Now in his fourth year, Stevens led the Dutch to three straight 20-win seasons for the first time in school history after inheriting a club that was 12-24 in 2003. Central's 26-14 mark in 2006 was the program's highest win total ever as the Dutch rallied for a share of the league title at 11-5. Central shattered 24 school records during the 2006 campaign.

Stevens, 67-54 overall, previously served as an assistant coach at Wabash College (Ind.) for a year, helping the squad post its first winning season in five years. Earlier he was an administrative assistant in the baseball office at Ball State University (Ind.) where he received his master's degree in physical education/athletic administration.

A graduate of Morningside College, where he was a four-year starter, Stevens played in 110 consecutive games. He was team captain his senior year. Stevens also served as junior varsity coach and assistant varsity coach at Sioux City West High School for two years.

### Wade Van Vark

#### Assistant coach

Wade Van Vark is in his second season as assistant baseball coach at Central, rejoining the staff after previously coaching in 2004.

Van Vark, a 1999 Central graduate, serves as the team's pitching coach. The Pella native was drafted by the Philadelphia Phillies in 1999 and played one year of minor league ball as an outfielder.

While at Central Van Vark was a three-time all-Iowa Conference selection and 1999 league MVP as well as a two-time team MVP. He set Central career records for most wins (17), most appearances (39) and most strikeouts (158) and tied the mark for most career complete games (19).

He earned a master's degree at Drake University and also serves as a math instructor at Pella High School.

### John Jaeger

#### Assistant coach

John Jaeger is in his first season as assistant baseball coach at Central College.

A 2005 Luther College graduate, Jaeger served as an assistant coach for the Norse in 2006 and previously spent a season as assistant coach at Decorah High School.

While at Luther, Jaeger was a two-time first-team all-Iowa Conference selection in both football and baseball and was a second-team all-league pick in baseball once. He was named the team baseball MVP for the Norse three times and was twice the football squad's defensive MVP after earlier receiving the football team's special teams player of the year award.

Jaeger was also a member of Luther's student-athlete advisory committee in 2004-05.

## 2006 results

### 26-14 overall, 11-5 conference

March 6	+Hamline (Minn.)	Minneapolis, Minn.	W, 11-1; W, 14-9
March 13	+St. Norbert (Wis.)	Chandler, Ariz.	W, 8-1; W, 8-2
March 14	#Roger Williams (R.I.)	Chandler, Ariz.	L, 8-7 (10 inn.)
March 15	+Brockport State (N.Y.)	Mesa, Ariz.	W, 11-6
March 16	#Macalester (Minn.)	Mesa, Ariz.	W, 12-5
March 17	+Marian (Wis.)	Chandler, Ariz.	L, 8-2; L 7-4
March 18	+Allegheny (Pa.)	Mesa, Ariz.	W, 6-1; W, 15-2
March 24	#Bethany Lutheran (Minn.)	Pella	W, 8-0
March 25	+Bethany Lutheran (Minn.)	Pella	L, 14-4; L, 2-0
April 1	*Cornell	Mt. Vernon	W, 4-0; W, 15-14 (10 inn.)
April 8	*Wartburg	Pella	W, 12-9; W, 8-4
April 10	*Coe	Pella	W, 9-1; L, 10-1
April 11	#Nebraska Wesleyan	Pella	W, 5-3; W, 7-2
April 15	*Dubuque	Dubuque	W, 11-2; W, 6-2
April 18	+Grinnell	Pella	W, 6-1; L, 6-3
April 20	#Ashford	Pella	W, 11-5
April 22	*Buena Vista	Storm Lake	W, 6-1; W, 20-7
April 24	#Augustana	Rock Island, Ill.	L, 13-9
April 26	+Dordt	Carroll	W, 14-3; L 17-9
May 3	*Loras	Dubuque	W, 6-3; L, 4-3
May 6	*Simpson	Pella	L, 7-5; L, 8-4
May 7	*Luther	Pella	L, 5-3; W, 5-4 (11 inn.)
May 11	\$Loras	Cedar Rapids	L, 6-4
May 12	\$Luther	Cedar Rapids	W, 12-11

+ Two seven-inning games

# One nine-inning game

\* Iowa Conference doubleheader (one seven-inning game and one nine-inning game)

\$ Iowa Conference tournament

### 2006 Iowa Conference standings

	Conference		Overall		
	W	L	W	L	T
Central	11	5	26	14	0
Simpson	11	5	26	10	0
Wartburg	11	5	27	15	0
Coe	10	6	26	17	0
Loras	8	8	18	22	1
Luther	7	9	17	21	0
Dubuque	5	11	14	25	0
Buena Vista	5	11	14	24	0
Cornell	4	12	19	19	0

**2006 statistics - Batting**

Name	Avg.	G	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	SB-A	BB	SO	HBP	OB%
Adam Duerfeldt	.481	38	135	48	65	46	11	6	6	7-8	15	7	9	.543
Jeremy Kippley	.345	40	145	32	50	41	10	4	3	3-5	18	31	5	.427
Matt Murphy	.343	36	108	25	37	15	1	0	0	1-2	19	11	1	.442
Thomas Sheehan	.337	32	86	17	29	12	3	0	0	4-4	13	27	0	.416
Brett Delaney	.333	8	6	3	2	1	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	1	.429
Derek Knutson	.329	39	140	27	46	30	7	3	3	2-3	11	18	4	.389
Shea Stamp	.328	40	131	50	43	26	6	2	4	16-18	26	14	21	.495
Jake Jadowski	.301	38	123	25	37	23	1	2	2	2-4	16	13	5	.397
Michael Edwards	.297	36	118	30	35	30	5	0	3	2-3	23	24	6	.424
Justin Owens	.212	39	113	19	24	14	1	0	0	0-1	10	18	8	.316
Andy Long	.204	23	49	14	10	7	1	0	0	1-2	13	6	3	.224
Aaron Heffernan	.196	31	56	14	11	7	0	1	0	4-4	6	10	2	.232
Jacob Vaverka	.125	15	8	3	1	1	0	0	0	0-1	2	3	0	.300
Matt Kuempel	.000	7	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0-0	0	2	0	.000
Adam Squires	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Jon Doudna	.000	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Matt Rohach	.000	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Nick De Penning	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Central	.319	40	1223	308	390	254	46	18	21	42-55	172	184	65	.422
Opponents	.299	40	1253	212	375	176	52	5	12	37-63	98	194	28	.359

**2006 statistics - Pitching**

<b>Name</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>GS</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>SHO</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>	<b>HBP</b>	<b>WP</b>
Brett Mahan	2.53	11	9	1	7	1	74.2	75	29	21	19	73	2	3
Mike Luce	3.55	9	5	2	2	0	66.0	79	34	26	20	38	6	4
Kyle Fuerstenberg	4.05	5	2	3	0	0	33.1	38	24	15	9	14	5	6
Matt Rohach	4.50	2	2	0	0	0	10.0	11	5	5	2	7	3	0
Jeremy Kippley	5.00	1	2	0	0	0	9.0	12	10	5	10	4	1	0
Jared Greenfield	5.69	7	4	3	0	0	49.0	60	38	31	11	25	5	2
Ben Gander	6.33	0	0	1	0	0	21.1	28	19	15	8	14	2	3
Jacob Vaverka	7.31	3	2	1	0	0	16.0	22	13	13	3	5	1	0
Eric Speer	7.88	1	0	1	0	0	8.0	10	12	7	7	7	0	1
Jon Doudna	8.59	1	0	2	0	0	7.1	12	11	7	6	1	2	1
Nick De Penning	9.98	0	0	0	0	0	15.1	28	17	17	3	6	0	1
Central	4.70	40	26	14	9	2	310.0	375	212	162	98	194	28	20
Opponents	7.22	40	14	26	8	1	300.1	390	308	241	172	184	65	48

## 2006 statistics - Fielding

Name	Ch	PO	A	E	Fld%	DP
Andy Long	10	4	6	0	1.000	0
Nick De Penning	7	0	7	0	1.000	0
Matt Kuempel	7	7	0	0	1.000	0
Ben Gander	5	0	5	0	1.000	0
Matt Rohach	2	0	2	0	1.000	0
Adam Squires	2	2	0	0	1.000	0
Eric Speer	1	0	1	0	1.000	0
Jon Doudna	1	1	0	0	1.000	0
Brett Delaney	1	1	0	0	1.000	0
Adam Duerfeldt	244	207	33	4	.984	2
Shea Stamp	108	102	4	2	.981	1
Jeremy Kippley	324	292	24	8	.975	17
Thomas Sheehan	43	40	1	2	.953	1
Justin Owens	157	59	89	9	.943	16
Jared Greenfield	16	8	7	1	.938	0
Jacob Vaverka	15	3	11	1	.933	0
Aaron Heffernan	44	40	1	3	.932	0
Mike Luce	25	3	20	2	.920	2
Brett Mahan	20	0	18	2	.900	0
Micheal Edwards	59	50	2	7	.881	2
Jake Jadowski	173	66	84	23	.867	14
Kyle Fuerstenberg	15	1	12	2	.867	1
Derek Knutson	90	35	42	13	.856	5
Matt Murphy	32	9	17	6	.813	0
Central	1401	930	386	85	.939	22
Opponents	1344	901	367	76	.943	32

## Career statistics - Batting

### Michael Edwards

	Avg.	G	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	SB
2004-05	.317	30	82	15	26	11	3	0	0	1
2005-06	.297	36	118	30	35	30	5	0	3	2
TOTAL	.305	66	200	45	61	41	8	0	3	3

### Aaron Heffernan

	Avg.	G	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	SB
2005-06	.196	31	56	14	11	7	0	1	0	4
TOTAL	.196	31	56	14	11	7	0	1	0	4

### Jake Jadowski

	Avg.	G	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	SB
2005-06	.301	38	123	25	37	23	1	2	2	2
TOTAL	.301	38	123	25	37	23	1	2	2	2

### Jeremy Kippley

	Avg.	G	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	SB
2005-06	.345	40	145	32	50	41	10	4	3	3
TOTAL	.345	40	145	32	50	41	10	4	3	3

### Derek Knutson

	Avg.	G	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	SB
2005-06	.329	39	140	27	46	30	7	3	3	2
TOTAL	.329	39	140	27	46	30	7	3	3	2

**Andy Long**

	<b>Avg.</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>RBI</b>	<b>2B</b>	<b>3B</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>SB</b>
2004-05	.288	24	73	16	21	11	3	0	0	2
2005-06	.204	23	49	14	10	7	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	.254	47	122	30	31	18	4	0	0	3

**Justin Owens**

	<b>Avg.</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>RBI</b>	<b>2B</b>	<b>3B</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>SB</b>
2004-05	.250	28	64	9	16	10	0	0	1	1
2005-06	.212	39	113	19	24	14	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	.226	67	177	28	40	24	1	0	1	1

**Tom Sheehan**

	<b>Avg.</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>RBI</b>	<b>2B</b>	<b>3B</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>SB</b>
2003-04	.333	34	108	22	36	20	5	1	2	0
2004-05	injured									
2005-06	.337	32	86	17	29	12	3	0	0	4
TOTAL	.335	66	194	39	65	32	8	1	2	4

**Jacob Vaverka**

	<b>Avg.</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>RBI</b>	<b>2B</b>	<b>3B</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>SB</b>
2004-05	.000	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2005-06	.125	20	8	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	.100	25	10	3	1	1	0	0	0	0

**Career statistics - Pitching****Kyle Fuerstenberg**

	<b>ERA</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
2004-05	3.00	11	3	2	2	0	42.0	34	25	14	19	37
2005-06	2.53	12	9	1	7	0	74.2	75	29	21	19	73
TOTAL	3.00	11	3	2	2	0	42.0	34	25	14	19	37

**Ben Gander**

	<b>ERA</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
2004-05	5.40	7	0	0	0	0	10.0	15	9	6	2	2
2005-06	6.33	17	0	1	0	0	21.1	28	19	15	8	14
TOTAL	6.03	24	0	1	0	0	31.1	43	28	21	10	16

**Jared Greenfield**

	<b>ERA</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
2004-05	5.64	11	2	3	2	0	44.2	63	39	28	18	13
2005-06	5.69	13	4	3	0	0	49.0	60	38	31	11	25
TOTAL	5.64	11	2	3	2	0	44.2	63	39	28	18	13

**Mike Luce**

	<b>ERA</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
2004-05	7.64	7	0	1	0	0	17.2	25	20	15	10	9
2005-06	3.55	12	5	2	2	0	66.0	79	34	26	20	38
TOTAL	4.41	19	5	3	2	0	83.2	104	54	41	30	47

**Brett Mahan**

	<b>ERA</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>
2004-05	3.00	11	3	2	2	0	42.0	34	25	14	19	37
2005-06	2.53	12	9	1	7	1	74.2	75	29	21	19	73
TOTAL	3.00	11	3	2	2	0	42.0	34	25	14	19	37

## All-time records

### Individual offensive (Minimum, 30 at bats)

#### Most at bats

**Season** - 153, Steven Gebhart, 2004

**Career** - 540, Adam Duerfeldt, 2003-06

#### Most runs

**Season** - 54, Joe Byers, 2000

**Career** - 144, Shea Stamp, 2003-06

#### Most hits

**Game** - 5, Steve Gebhart (5 AB), vs. Coe, April 13, 2005

**Doubleheader** - 7, tie, Steve Gebhart (9 AB), vs. Coe, April 13, 2005; Shea Stamp (9 AB), vs. Cornell, April 1, 2006

**Season** - 73, Scott Marlow, 2000

**Career** - 207, Adam Duerfeldt, 2003-06

#### Highest batting average

**Season** - .481, Adam Duerfeldt, 2006

**Career** - .383, Adam Duerfeldt, 2003-06

#### Most total bases

**Game** - 15, Steve Gebhart, vs. Coe, April 13, 2005

**Season** - 124, Scott Marlow, 2000

**Career** - 320, Adam Duerfeldt, 2003-06

#### Most doubles

**Season** - 22, John Edwards, 1970

**Career** - 41, Adam Duerfeldt, 2003-06

#### Most triples

**Season** - 6, Adam Duerfeldt, 2006

**Career** - 12, Adam Duerfeldt, 2003-06

### Individual defensive

#### Most putouts

**Season** - 292, Jeremy Kippley, 2006

**Career** - 722, Adam Duerfeldt, 2003-06

#### Most assists

**Season** - 113, Steve Gebhart, 2004

**Career** - 292, Corey Powell, 1994-97

### Individual pitching (minimum, 45 innings, season; 100 innings, career)

#### Most wins

**Season** - 9, Brett Mahan, 2006

**Career** - 17, (tie) Wade Van Vark, 1996-99; Todd Vande Noord, 1998-2001

#### Most games

**Season** - 14, Jeff Hanneman, 1988

**Career** - 39, Wade Van Vark, 1996-99

#### Most home runs

**Game** - 3, tie, Jerry Rohach, vs Northern Iowa, 1983; Kody Wohlers, vs. Coe, 2005; Steve Gebhart, vs. Coe, 2005

**Doubleheader** - 5, Jerry Rohach, vs. Northern Iowa, 1983

**Season** - 15, Pat Johnson, 2004

**Career** - 24, Rick Hassman, 1986-89

#### Most RBI

**Game** - 6, tie, Wade Van Vark, 1997; Steve Gebhart, vs.

Coe, April 13, 2005; Kody Wohlers vs. Coe, April 13, 2005

**Doubleheader** - 9, Steve Gebhart, vs. Coe, April 13, 2005

**Season** - 50, Pat Johnson, 2004

**Career** - 129, Adam Duerfeldt, 2003-06

#### Most sacrifices

**Season** - 11, (tie) Blake Jessen, 1993; Justin Owens, 2006

**Career** - 24, Blake Jessen, 1990-93

#### Most times hit by pitch

**Game** - 2, tie, Shea Stamp, vs. Bethel (Minn.), March 1,

2005; Adam Duerfeldt, vs. Clarke, May 7, 2005

**Season** - 22, Shea Stamp, 2005

**Career** - 50, Shea Stamp, 2003-06

#### Most stolen bases

**Season** - 23, Tom Koos, 1986

**Career** - 50, Joe Byers, 1997-2000

#### Most walks

**Season** - 26, Shea Stamp, 2006

**Career** - 74, Shea Stamp, 2003-06

#### Highest fielding percentage (Minimum 100 chances)

**Season** - .990, Todd Overbergen, 1985 (101-102)

**Career (minimum 300 chances)** - .991, Jason Darling, 1997-98 (405-25-4)

#### Most complete games

**Season** - 9, Jeff Hanneman, 1988

**Career** - 15, (tie) Jeff Hanneman, 1987-90; Wade Van Vark, 1996-99

#### Most innings

**Season** - 75, Jeff Hanneman, 1988

**Career** - 187.3, Jeff Hanneman, 1987-90

**Fewest hits allowed****Season** - 28, Tom Vander Linden, 1981**Career** - 109, Rich Schulte, 1989-91**Lowest ERA****Season** - 1.58, Mark Steffes, 1978**Career** - 3.61, Mark Steffes, 1978-82**Team records, season****Offensive****Highest batting average** - .327, 2000**Most runs** - 352, 2000**Most runs per game** - 7.6, 2001**Most doubles** - 87, 2000**Most triples** - 18, 2006**Most home runs** - 47, 2000**Most RBI** - 334, 2000**Most walks** - 180, 2000**Most stolen bases** - 65, 1997**Most stole bases per game** - 1.9, 1997**Team records, game****Most at bats** - 48, May 15, 2004 vs. Wartburg**Most hits** - 20, tie, April 22, 2000 vs. Buena Vista; March 14 vs. St. Michael's (Vt.)**Most hits allowed, game** - 22, April 7, 2005 vs. Luther**Most hits allowed, doubleheader** - 39, April 7, 2005 vs. Luther**Most runs** - 23, April 20, 2004, at Dubuque**Most runs allowed** - 20, March 16, 2001 vs. Ohio Wesleyan**Most runs, two teams** - 34, March 4, 2000 vs. Mt. Mercy**Individual record leaderboard****SEASON RECORDS****Batting average**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Year</b>
1.	Adam Duerfeldt	.481	2006
2.	Blake Jessen	.453	1993
3.	Scott Marlow	.448	2000
4.	Todd Connelly	.438	1990
5.	Jason Darling	.432	1998
6.	Joe Tecklenberg	.431	1985
7.	Kent Van Vark	.417	1980
8.	Scott Marlow	.412	2001
9.	Adam Duerfeldt	.407	2005
10.	Shea Stamp	.405	2005
11.	Jeff Wooten	.404	1988
12.	Rick Hassman	.402	1987
13.	Rick Hassman	.400	1989

**Hits**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Hits</b>	<b>Year</b>
1.	Scott Marlow	73	2000
2.	Adam Duerfeldt	65	2006
3.	Joe Byers	58	2000

**Fewest runs allowed****Season** - 20, tie, Mark Steffes, 1979; Tom Vander Linden, 1979; Randy Schroyer, 1985**Career** - 61, Rich Schulte, 1989-91**Most strikeouts****Season** - 73, Brett Mahan, 2006**Career** - 158, Wade Van Vark, 1996-99**Defensive****Most double plays** - 74, 2002**Most putouts** - 939, 2000**Most assists** - 417, 1994**Pitching****Most victories** - 23, 2000**Lowest ERA** - 3.62, 1999**Most shutouts** - 4, 1994**Most strikeouts** - 195, 1995, 1996**Most strikeouts per game** - 6.5, 1999**Most errors** - 8, Feb. 1979 at Trinity (Texas)**Most at bats** - 48, May 15, 2004 vs. Wartburg**Most hits** - 20, tie, April 22, 2000 vs. Buena Vista; March 14 vs. St. Michael's (Vt.)**Most home runs** - 4, April 27, 2004 vs. Upper Iowa**Most RBI** - 18, April 22, 2000 vs. Buena Vista**Most doubles** - 6, April 22, 2000 vs. Buena Vista**Most stolen bases** - 5, tie, April 22, 2000 vs. Buena Vista; April 8, 1998 vs. Simpson

4.	Adam Duerfeldt	57	2005
5.	Steve Gebhart	55	2004
6.	Jason Darling	54	1998
7.	Adam Duerfeldt	53	2004
8.	Steve Gebhart	52	2005
	Matt Menninga	52	2000
10.	Shea Stamp	51	2005
11.	Chris Douglas	50	2000
	Pat Johnson	50	2000
	Jeremy Kippley	50	2006
	Joe Tecklenberg	50	1985
15.	Rick Hassman	47	1988
	Scott Marlow	47	2001

**Doubles**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Doubles</b>	<b>Year</b>
1.	John Edwards	22	1970
2.	Scott Marlow	19	2000
3.	Eric Johnson	18	1994
4.	Scott Marlow	14	2001
	Kody Wohlers	14	2004
6.	Cole Van Vark	13	2001

7.	Chris Douglass	12	2000
	Tim Higgins	12	2003
9.	Darren Huinker	11	1986
	Adam Duerfeldt	11	2006
	Rick Hassman	11	1989
	Ronnie Lamfers	11	2002
	Steve Gebhart	11	2004
14.	Jason Darling	10	1998
	Adam Duerfeldt	10	2004
	Pat Johnson	10	2003
	Jeremy Kippley	10	2006
	Jim Radcliffe	10	1980
	Pedro Rodriguez	10	1995
	Joe Tecklenberg	10	1985

#### Home runs

	Name	Home runs	Year
1.	Pat Johnson	15	2004
2.	Chris Douglass	14	1988
	Rick Hassman	14	2000
4.	Rick Hassman	12	1987
5.	Steve Gebhart	9	2005
6.	Joe Byers	8	2000
	Adam Duerfeldt	8	2005
	Mike Hanna	8	2000
	Scott Marlow	8	1987
10.	Josh Allison	7	1996
	Scott Marlow	7	2001
	Matt Menninga	7	2002
	Rich Schulte	7	1989
	Rich Schulte	7	1991
	Kody Wohlers	7	2005

#### RBI

	Name	RBI	Year
1.	Pat Johnson	50	2004
2.	Chris Douglass	48	2000
3.	Scott Marlow	47	2000
4.	Adam Duerfeldt	46	2006
5.	Steve Gebhart	45	2005
6.	Matt Menninga	43	2000
7.	Jeremy Kippley	41	2006
8.	Steve Gebhart	40	2004
9.	Matt Menninga	39	2002
	Kody Wohlers	39	2005
11.	Adam Duerfeldt	38	2005
	Joe Tecklenberg	38	1985
13.	Joe Byers	37	2000
	Mike Hanna	37	1986
	Matt Menninga	37	2001
16.	Chris Kollbaum	35	2000
17.	Scott Marlow	34	2001

#### Pitching

	Name	Strikeouts	Year
1.	Brett Mahan	73	2006
2.	Dave Gregory	60	1985

	Todd Subbert	60	1988
4.	Todd Subbert	59	1989
5.	Wade Van Vark	58	1999
6.	Scott Carter	53	1995
7.	Josh Allison	50	1996
	Mark Steffes	50	1980
9.	Jeff Hanneman	47	1988
	Todd Vande Noord	47	2000
11.	Johnathon Kloster	46	1998
12.	Todd Vande Noord	45	1999
13.	Jim Barclay	43	2002
	Scott Carter	43	1994
	Matt Rohach	43	2004
16.	Jim Barclay	42	2003
	Wade Van Vark	42	1997
	Wade Van Vark	42	1998

#### CAREER RECORDS

##### OFFENSE

##### Hits

	Name	Hits	Year
1.	Adam Duerfeldt	207	2003-06
2.	Scott Marlow	164	1998-2001
3.	Shea Stamp	157	2003-06
4.	Joe Byers	153	1997-2000
5.	Steve Gebhart	152	2002-05
6.	Rick Hassman	146	1986-89
7.	Matt Menninga	139	1999-2002
8.	Kody Wohlers	119	2002-05
9.	Scott Gustafson	118	1994-97
10.	Todd Connelly	117	1987-90
	Wade Van Vark	117	1996-99
12.	Chris Douglas	116	1997-2000
13.	Brett Van Roekel	109	1992-95
14.	Eric Johnson	104	1992-95
15.	Loren Merkle	96	1995-98
16.	Rich Schulte	94	1989-91
17.	Ed Ergenbright	90	1982-85
18.	Ben Messerly	84	1992-95
19.	Austin De Hoogh	83	2002-05
	Pat Johnson	83	2003-04
21.	Jason Darling	82	1995-98
22.	Darren Huinker	81	1983-86
	Blake Jessen	81	1990-93
24.	Joe Tecklenburg	79	1983-85
25.	Jeremy Kippley	77	2005-
26.	Dan Hassman	74	1980-83
27.	Gary Happel	72	1981-84
	Nathan Landas	72	2001-04

##### Highest batting avg. (minimum 250 AB)

- .383 - Adam Duerfeldt (207-540) - 2003-06
- .374 - Rick Hassman (146-390) - 1986-89
- .373 - Rich Schulte (94-252) - 1989-91
- .369 - Scott Marlow (164-444) - 1998-01
- .358 - Steve Gebhart (152-424) - 2002-05
- .355 - Todd Connelly (117-330) - 1987-90
- .337 - Shea Stamp (157-466) - 2003-06

.337 - Jeff Wooten (101-300) - 1988-91  
.336 - Matt Menninga (139-414) - 1999-02  
.323 - Ben Messerly (84-260) - 1992-95

#### **Highest slugging pct. (minimum 250 AB)**

.718 - Rich Schulte (252 AB) - 1989-91  
.662 - Rick Hassman (390 AB) - 1986-89  
.613 - Scott Marlow (444 AB) - 1998-01  
.598 - Pat Johnson (259 AB) - 2003-04  
.593 - Adam Duerfeldt (540 AB) - 2003-06  
.585 - Steve Gebhart (424 AB) - 2002-05  
.562 - Shea Stamp (466 AB) - 2003-06  
.560 - Matt Menninga (414 AB) - 1999-02  
.535 - Mike Hanna (310 AB) - 1983-86  
.527 - Ben Messerly (260 AB) - 1992-95

#### **Highest on base pct. (minimum 250 AB)**

.471 - Shea Stamp (466 AB) - 2003-06  
.466 - Scott Marlow (444 AB) - 1998-01  
.463 - Rich Schulte (252 AB) - 1989-91  
.454 - Ben Messerly (260 AB) - 1992-95  
.452 - Rick Hassman (390 AB) - 1986-89  
.450 - Chris Kollbaum (314 AB) - 1999-02  
.450 - Adam Duerfeldt (540 AB) - 2003-06  
.421 - Eric Johnson (344 AB) - 1992-95  
.421 - Scott Gustafson (368 AB) - 1994-97  
.419 - Todd Connelly (330 AB) - 1987-90

#### **Most at bats**

540 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
486 - Joe Byers - 1997-00  
466 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
444 - Scott Marlow - 1998-01  
424 - Steve Gebhart - 2002-05  
414 - Matt Menninga - 1999-02  
400 - Wade Van Vark - 1996-99  
398 - Kody Wohlers - 2002-05  
396 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00  
390 - Rick Hassman - 1986-89

#### **Most runs scored**

144 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
135 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
129 - Joe Byers - 1997-00  
106 - Scott Marlow - 1998-01  
101 - Rick Hassman - 1986-89  
99 - Steve Gebhart - 2002-05  
99 - Matt Menninga - 1999-02  
88 - Kody Wohlers - 2002-05  
88 - Brent Van Roekel - 1992-95  
83 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00

#### **Most doubles**

41 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
40 - Scott Marlow - 1998-01  
37 - Wade Van Vark - 1996-99  
32 - Steve Gebhart - 2002-05  
32 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
28 - Matt Menninga - 1999-02  
28 - Kody Wohlers - 2002-05  
28 - Rick Hassman - 1986-89  
27 - Eric Johnson - 1992-95

24 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00

#### **Most triples**

12 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
9 - Joe Byers - 1997-00  
8 - Rich Schulte - 1989-91  
8 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
7 - Todd Connelly - 1987-90  
7 - Jason Darling - 1997-98  
6 - Chad Cantrall - 1994-95  
6 - Mike Hanna - 1983-86  
6 - Austin DeHoogh - 2002-05  
6 - Rick Hassman - 1986-89

#### **Most home runs**

24 - Rick Hassman - 1986-89  
20 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00  
20 - Steve Gebhart - 2002-05  
20 - Scott Marlow - 1998-01  
19 - Matt Menninga - 1999-02  
19 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
17 - Rich Schulte - 1989-91  
16 - Pat Johnson - 2003-04  
16 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
15 - Mike Hanna - 1983-86

#### **Most runs batted in**

129 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
126 - Matt Menninga - 1999-02  
115 - Steve Gebhart - 2002-05  
106 - Scott Marlow - 1998-01  
104 - Rick Hassman - 1986-89  
100 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
92 - Kody Wohlers - 2002-05  
84 - Joe Byers - 1997-00  
82 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00  
80 - Mike Hanna - 1983-86

#### **Most total bases**

320 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
272 - Scott Marlow - 1998-01  
262 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
258 - Rick Hassman - 1986-89  
248 - Steve Gebhart - 2002-05  
237 - Joe Byers - 1997-00  
232 - Matt Menninga - 1999-02  
204 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00  
203 - Wade Van Vark - 1996-99  
191 - Kody Wohlers - 2002-05

#### **Most walks**

74 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
66 - Blake Jessen - 1990-93  
65 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00  
64 - Brent Van Roekel - 1992-95  
59 - Chris Kollbaum - 1999-02  
58 - Kody Wohlers - 2002-05  
57 - Scott Gustafson - 1994-97  
54 - Jeff Mohrman - 1996-99  
53 - Rick Hassman - 1986-89  
49 - Scott Marlow - 1998-01

**Most times hit by pitch**

50 - Shea Stamp - 2003-06  
 44 - Eric Johnson - 1992-95  
 37 - Scott Marlow - 1998-01  
 29 - Kody Wohlers - 2002-05  
 26 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
 19 - Chris Kollbaum - 1999-02  
 18 - Ben Messerly - 1992-95  
 18 - Nathan Landas - 2001-04  
 18 - Jeremy Kippley - 2005-06  
 17 - Matt Menninga - 1999-02

**Most stolen bases**

50 - Joe Byers (50-55) - 1997-00  
 39 - Tom Koos (39-43) - 1985-86  
 36 - Wade Van Vark (36-42) - 1996-99  
 34 - Brent Van Roekel (34-43) - 1992-95  
 33 - Shea Stamp (33-45) - 2003-06  
 29 - Ronnie Lamfers (29-39) - 2000-02  
 27 - Adam Duerfeldt (27-39) - 2003-06  
 26 - Eric Johnson (26-28) - 1992-95  
 22 - Blake Jessen (22-26) - 1990-93  
 20 - Rich Schulte (20-23) - 1989-91

**PITCHING****Lowest earned run avg. (minimum 50 IP)**

3.62 - Josh Allison (129.1 IP) - 1995-96  
 3.73 - Rob Judkins (135.0 IP) - 1985-87  
 3.75 - Rich Schulte (117.2 IP) - 1989-91  
 3.89 - Wade Van Vark (215.0 IP) - 1996-99  
 3.94 - Todd Subbert (189.2 IP) - 1987-90  
 4.08 - Dan Dwyer (145.2 IP) - 1984,86-87  
 4.26 - Mark Sabala (173.1 IP) - 1992-95  
 4.31 - Scott Carter (150.1 IP) - 1992-95

**Fewest walks allowed/9 inn game (minimum 50 IP)**

1.88 - Josh Allison (129.1 IP) - 1995-96  
 2.39 - Austin DeHoogh (124.1 IP) - 2002-05  
 2.78 - Dan Dwyer (145.2 IP) - 1984,86-87  
 2.93 - Brett Mahan (116.2 IP) - 2005-06  
 2.95 - Randy Schroyer (55.0 IP) - 1985  
 2.95 - Todd Vande Noord (195.1 IP) - 1998-01  
 3.12 - Mark Sabala (173.1 IP) - 1992-95  
 3.15 - Joe Lubach (114.1 IP) - 2000-01  
 3.23 - Mike Luce (83.2 IP) - 2005-06

**Most strikeouts/9 inn game (minimum 50 IP)**

9.60 - Dave Gregory (115.1 IP) - 1984-86  
 7.28 - Jim Barclay (181.2 IP) - 1999,01-03  
 7.18 - Scott Carter (150.1 IP) - 1992-95  
 6.96 - Todd Vande Noord (195.1 IP) - 1998-01  
 6.72 - Tim O'Neil (68.1 IP) - 1991-93  
 6.61 - Wade Van Vark (215.0 IP) - 1996-99  
 6.47 - Travis Hugunin (72.1 IP) - 1996-97  
 6.40 - Rob Judkins (135.0 IP) - 1985-87  
 6.22 - Joe Lubach (114.1 IP) - 2000-01

**Most wins**

17 - Wade Van Vark (17-11) - 1996-99  
 17 - Todd Vande Noord (17-14) - 1998-01  
 14 - Jeff Hannemann (14-12) - 1987-90

14 - Dan Dwyer (14-10) - 1984,86-87  
 13 - Todd Subbert (13-13) - 1987-90  
 13 - Rob Judkins (13-9) - 1985-87  
 12 - Mark Sabala (12-10) - 1992-95  
 12 - Brett Mahan (12-3) - 2005-  
 11 - Jim Barclay (11-13) - 1999,01-03  
 11 - Rich Schulte (11-7) - 1989-91

**Most appearances**

39 - Wade Van Vark - 1996-99  
 39 - Austin DeHoogh - 2002-05  
 38 - Mark Sabala - 1992-95  
 36 - Scott Carter - 1992-95  
 34 - Jeff Hannemann - 1987-90  
 31 - Todd Vande Noord - 1998-01  
 30 - Pat Prince - 1990-93  
 30 - Kent Patterson - 2003-05  
 28 - Nick Poch - 1999-00,03  
 28 - Todd Subbert - 1987-90

**Most games started**

34 - Wade Van Vark - 1996-99  
 30 - Todd Vande Noord - 1998-01  
 30 - Todd Subbert - 1987-90  
 30 - Jeff Hannemann - 1987-90  
 28 - Jim Barclay - 1999,01-03  
 24 - Dan Dwyer - 1984,86-87  
 24 - Mark Sabala - 1992-95  
 20 - Pat Prince - 1990-93  
 20 - Scott Carter - 1992-95  
 20 - Joe Lubach - 2000-01

**Most complete games**

19 - Wade Van Vark - 1996-99  
 14 - Jeff Hannemann - 1987-90  
 12 - Mark Sabala - 1992-95  
 12 - Jim Barclay - 1999,01-03  
 12 - Todd Subbert - 1987-90  
 11 - Todd Vande Noord - 1998-01  
 10 - Josh Allison - 1995-96  
 10 - Scott Carter - 1992-95  
 9 - Brett Mahan - 2005-  
 9 - Dave Gregory - 1984-86

**Innings pitched**

215.0 - Wade Van Vark - 1996-99  
 195.1 - Todd Vande Noord - 1998-01  
 189.2 - Todd Subbert - 1987-90  
 187.1 - Jeff Hannemann - 1987-90  
 181.2 - Jim Barclay - 1999,01-03  
 173.1 - Mark Sabala - 1992-95  
 150.1 - Scott Carter - 1992-95  
 145.2 - Dan Dwyer - 1984,86-87  
 138.0 - Pat Prince - 1990-93  
 135.0 - Rob Judkins - 1985-87

**Most strikeouts**

158 - Wade Van Vark - 1996-99  
 151 - Todd Vande Noord - 1998-01  
 147 - Jim Barclay - 1999,01-03  
 123 - Dave Gregory - 1984-86

120 - Scott Carter - 1992-95  
 117 - Todd Subbert - 1987-90  
 110 - Brett Mahan - 2005-  
 96 - Rob Judkins - 1985-87  
 91 - Dan Dwyer - 1984,86-87  
 87 - Jeff Hannemann - 1987-90

**FIELDING**

**Highest fielding pct. (minimum 50 chances)**

1.000 - Dustin Hendricks (56-3-0) - 1989,91  
 1.000 - Robert Steim (105-13-0) - 1999  
 .992 - Ben Metzger (116-9-1) - 2000-03  
 .991 - Jason Darling (405-25-4) - 1997-98  
 .990 - Todd Overbergen (98-3-1) - 1985  
 .990 - Jeff Collum (372-31-4) - 1988-91  
 .985 - Scott Peasley (285-167-7) - 1992-95  
 .982 - Chris Douglass (532-71-11) - 1997-00  
 .982 - Ben Westman (136-27-3) - 1996-98  
 .981 - Adam Duerfeldt (722-64-15) - 2003-06

**Most chances**

801 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
 614 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00  
 594 - Travis Hillsabeck - 2000-03  
 589 - Jeremy Kippley - 2005-06  
 571 - Mike Vroegh - 1998-01  
 546 - Ben Messerly - 1992-95  
 486 - Steve Gebhart - 2002-05  
 485 - Scott Gustafson - 1994-97  
 459 - Scott Peasley - 1992-95  
 456 - Darren Huinker - 1983-86

**Most putouts**

722 - Adam Duerfeldt - 2003-06  
 536 - Jeremy Kippley - 2005-06  
 532 - Chris Douglass - 1997-00  
 527 - Mike Vroegh - 1998-01  
 492 - Ben Messerly - 1992-95  
 465 - Travis Hillsabeck - 2000-03  
 407 - Darren Huinker - 1983-86  
 405 - Jason Darling - 1997-98  
 395 - Eric Methlie - 1986-89  
 372 - Jeff Collum - 1988-91

**Most assists**

292 - Corey Powell - 1994-97  
 289 - Steve Gebhart - 2002-05  
 246 - Scott Gustafson - 1994-97  
 216 - Brent Fridley - 2001-03  
 214 - Todd Connelly - 1987-90  
 205 - Mike Hanna - 1983-86  
 178 - Chris Kollbaum - 1999-02  
 173 - Brian Gossling - 1988-91  
 172 - Blake Jessen - 1990-93  
 167 - Scott Peasley - 1992-95

**Largest victory margins**

Margin	Opponent	Site	Date	Score
20	Tabor		1923	23-3
16	Attica		1931	17-1
16	Dubuque	Dubuque	May 7,1977	17-1
16	Rockford (Ill.)	Fort Myers, Fla.	March 23, 2000	20-4
16	Moravian (Pa.)	Fort Myers, Fla.	March 10, 2003	17-1
15	Dallas-Melcher		1930	16-1
15	Iowa Wesleyan	Mt. Pleasant	May 8, 2000	15-0
15	Urbana (Ohio)	Port Charlotte, Fla.	March 11, 2005	20-5
14	Buena Vista	Storm Lake	April 23, 1986	25-11
14	Dubuque	Pella	May 2, 1986	15-1

**Largest defeat margins**

Margin	Opponent	Site	Date	Score
22	Simpson		1953	25-3
21	Iowa	Iowa City	May 5, 1975	21-0
19	Coe	Pella	April 3, 2004	22-3
18	Iowa Wesleyan		1953	23-5
18	Iowa	Iowa City	May 5, 1975	20-2
18	Concordia Lutheran	Pella	March 3, 1993	20-2
17	Iowa State	Ames	April 8,1981	17-0
16	Simpson		1946	25-9
16	Luther		1958	16-0
16	St. Mary's	San Antonio, Texas	Feb. 27, 1986	18-2
16	Graceland	Lamoni	May 1,1991	16-0
16	Denison (Ohio.)	Fort Myers, Fla.	March 15, 2003	18-2

## Iowa Conference team champions

1947	<b>Central</b>	1967	Upper Iowa	1988	William Penn
1948	<b>Central</b>	1968	Luther	1989	William Penn
1949	Buena Vista	1970	Buena Vista	1990	William Penn
1950	Buena Vista	1971	Luther	1991	Simpson
1951	Buena Vista	1972	Luther, Upper Iowa	1992	William Penn
1952	Loras, Simpson	1973	Upper Iowa	1993	Upper Iowa
1953	Buena Vista	1974	Buena Vista	1994	Simpson
1954	Buena Vista	<b>1975</b>	<b>Central, Luther</b>	1995	Upper Iowa
1955	Buena Vista	1976	Buena Vista	1996	Upper Iowa
1956	Upper Iowa	1977	Wartburg	1997	Wartburg
1957	Buena Vista	1978	Wartburg, William Penn	1998	Wartburg
1958	Simpson	1979	Wartburg	1999	Wartburg
1959	Buena Vista	1980	Buena Vista	2000	Wartburg
1960	Luther	1981	Buena Vista, William Penn	2001	Wartburg
1961	Wartburg	1982	William Penn	2002	Wartburg
1962	Wartburg	1983	Luther	2003	Wartburg
1963	Wartburg	1984	Luther	2004	Wartburg
1964	Luther	1985	Luther	2005	Wartburg
1965	Buena Vista	1986	William Penn	<b>2006</b>	<b>Central, Simpson,</b>
1966	Luther	1987	Simpson		Wartburg

## Year-by-year season results

Year	Record	Conf. finish	Coach	Year	Record	Conf. finish	Coach
1910	1-5		Kruger	1949	3-4		
1911	1-5		Herman Severn	1950			Wendell Hill
1912			Firth	1951	0-1 (inc.)		Marinus Kregel
1913	3-4		Warren	1952	5-2		Marinus Kregel
1914	4-5		Warren	1953	3-6		Marinus Kregel
1915	3-3		Warren	1954	4-5		Marinus Kregel
1916	4-1-1		McWilliams	1955	1-4		Marinus Kregel
1917	2-2-1		McWilliams	1956	3-10		Marinus Kregel
1918	5-1-1			1957	2-11-1		Marinus Kregel
1919	2-2-1			1958	4-13		Marinus Kregel
1920	0-2			1959	8-9		Lester "Buck" Terlouw
1921	0-5			1960	8-8		Lester "Buck" Terlouw
1922				1961	6-11		Lester "Buck" Terlouw
1923	3-3			1962	7-4-1		Eldon Schulte
1924	2-2			1963	8-8		Eldon Schulte
1925	4-6			1964	5-2 (inc.)		Don Larsen
1926	3-4			1965	4-8 (inc.)		Don Larsen
1927	6-6			1966	6-8	6th	Jack Walvoord
1928	3-3			1967	5-12	6th	Jack Walvoord
1929	1-1 (inc.)			1968	6-12	6th	Gary Boeyink
1930	4-3			1969	11-6	3rd	Gary Boeyink
1931	3-3			1970	17-12-1	tie, 3rd	Gary Boeyink
1932	2-4			1971	14-12	tie, 2nd	Eldon Schulte
1933	2-2			1972	7-8	2nd	Eldon Schulte
1934	2-4		Len Winter	1973	10-6	2nd	Eldon Schulte
1935	no team			1974	13-8	tie, 3rd	Eldon Schulte
1936	no team			1975	9-9	tie, 1st	Eldon Schulte
1937				1976	9-14	8th	Eldon Schulte
1938	1-2 (inc.)		Karl Kettering	1977	5-18	tie, 6th	Eldon Schulte
1939	1-3		Karl Kettering	1978	6-17	tie, 6th	John Edwards
1940	2-4		Wagman	1979	12-17	3rd	John Edwards
1947	1st			1980	15-15	tie, 3rd	John Edwards
1948	1st			1981	12-25	6th	John Edwards

Year	Record	Conf. finish	Coach
1982	11-22	5th	John Edwards
1983	11-17	3rd	John Edwards
1984	10-16	4th	John Edwards
1985	25-11	2nd	John Edwards
1986	16-18	2nd	John Edwards
1987	13-19	5th	John Edwards
1988	18-22	5th	John Edwards
1989	14-17	5th	John Edwards
1990	15-11	5th	John Edwards
1991	9-19	6th	John Edwards
1992	10-20	tie, 8th	John Edwards
1993	10-13	3rd	John Edwards
1994	17-18	6th	John Edwards

Year	Record	Conf. finish	Coach
1995	16-20	5th	John Edwards
1996	9-33	8th	John Edwards
1997	18-16	5th	John Edwards
1998	17-19	5th	John Edwards
1999	16-14	5th	John Edwards
2000	23-23	6th	John Edwards
2001	15-23	9th	John Edwards
2002	15-23	6th	John Edwards
2003	12-24	8th	Dave Baker, Matt Ballou
2004	20-22	4th	Adam Stevens
2005	21-18	tie, 2nd	Adam Stevens
2006	26-14	tie, 1st	Adam Stevens

### All-time records vs. opponents

(Not including 1912, 1922, 1935-37, 1942-1945, 1950, 1951 seasons)

	W	L	T
Albert Lea (Minn.)	2	0	0
Albright (Pa.)	0	1	0
Allegheny (Pa.)	2	0	0
Arcadia (Pa.)	1	1	0
Ashford	1	0	0
Augsburg (Minn.)	2	0	0
Augustana (Ill.)	1	9	0
Austin College (Texas)	2	0	0
Benedictine (Kan.)	0	3	0
Bethany Lutheran (Minn.)	3	2	0
Bethel (Minn.)	2	0	0
Bishop (Texas)	4	0	0
Brockport State (N.Y.)	1	0	0
Buena Vista	53	48	0
Calvin (Mich.)	0	2	0
Carroll (Mont.)	1	1	0
Central Methodist (Mo.)	0	2	0
Chicago (Ill.)	1	2	0
Clarke	2	0	0
Coe	17	10	0
Colby (Maine)	0	3	0
Columbus (Ga.)	1	2	0
Concordia (Wis.)	0	1	0
Concordia Lutheran (Neb.)	1	4	0
Cornell	15	8	0
Culver-Stockton (Mo.)	3	3	0
Dallas Baptist (Texas)	0	4	0
Denison (Ohio)	1	4	0
Des Moines	1	7	0
Dordt	2	2	0
Drake	12	17	0
Dubuque	51	29	0
Eastern Connecticut State	0	2	0
Eastern Nazarene (Mass.)	1	1	0
Eastern New Mexico	0	6	0
Edgewood (Wis.)	0	1	0
Eureka (Ill.)	1	1	0
Fontbonne (Mo.)	0	2	0
Georgia College (Ga.)	4	15	0

	W	L	T
Georgia Southwestern (Ga.)	14	25	0
Graceland	13	7	0
Grand View	11	17	0
Grinnell	32	5	0
Gustavus Adolphus	0	1	0
Hamline (Minn.)	2	0	0
Harris-Stowe (Mo.)	0	2	0
Hiram (Ohio)	0	1	0
Huston-Tillotson (Texas)	2	0	0
Illinois College (Ill.)	2	0	0
Incarnate Word (Texas)	3	0	0
Iowa	1	13	0
Iowa State	3	14	0
Iowa Wesleyan	27	26	1
John Jay (N.Y.)	1	0	0
Knox (Ill.)	0	3	0
Lakeland (Wis.)	1	0	0
Leander Clark	1	0	0
Lincoln (Mo.)	4	4	0
Loras	29	25	0
Luther	32	56	0
Macalester (Minn.)	1	1	0
Marian (Ind.)	0	2	0
Marian (Wis.)	0	2	0
Marietta (Ohio)	0	1	0
Mary Hardin Baylor (Texas)	2	2	0
Massachusetts	0	1	0
Mid-American Nazarene (Kan.)	1	0	0
Minn. State-Mankato	0	2	0
Minot State (N.D.)	1	0	0
Moravian (Pa.)	1	0	0
Morningside	1	2	0
Mount Mercy	6	7	0
Mount Union (Ohio)	0	1	0
Muskingum (Ohio)	0	4	0
Nebraska Wesleyan (Neb.)	3	4	0
North Dakota State (N.D.)	0	2	0
Northern Iowa	2	17	0
Ohio Wesleyan (Ohio)	1	1	0

	W	L	T
Parsons	22	27	0
Purdue-North Central (Ind.)	2	1	0
Quincy (Ill.)	0	2	0
Rockford (Ill.)	2	0	0
Roger Williams (R.I.)	1	1	0
Shorter (Ga.)	2	0	0
Shriener (Texas)	0	1	0
Simpson	53	72	2
St. Ambrose	7	3	0
St. Edward's (Texas)	0	1	0
St. John Fisher (N.Y.)	1	0	0
St. John's (Minn.)	1	1	0
St. Joseph's (Maine)	0	1	0
St. Mary's (Minn.)	0	2	0
St. Mary's (Tex.)	1	17	0
St. Michael's (Vt.)	1	0	0
St. Norbert (Wis.)	2	0	0
St. Olaf (Minn.)	2	0	0
St. Scholastica (Minn.)	4	0	0

	W	L	T
Stephen F. Austin (Texas)	0	2	0
Southeast Oklahoma (Okla.)	0	2	0
Southwestern (Texas)	5	20	0
Texas Arlington	4	0	0
Texas Lutheran	8	0	0
Texas Wesleyan	0	4	0
Thomas More (Ky.)	0	2	0
Trinity (Conn.)	10	11	0
Trinity Lutheran	0	1	0
Union (N.Y.)	0	1	0
Upper Iowa	48	55	0
Urbana (Ohio)	1	0	0
Wartburg	39	52	1
Webster (Mo.)	2	0	0
Westminster (Mo.)	1	1	0
William Penn	61	70	0
Wis.-River Falls	2	0	0
Wittenberg (Ohio)	1	4	0
Wooster (Ohio)	0	1	0

## 2007 roster

Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/High school
Brad Arends	3B	R/R	5-8	174	Fr.	Ackley, Iowa/AGWSR
Anthony Bazant	OF	R/R	5-11	151	Fr.	La Vista, Neb./Omaha Ralston
Zeb Birchette	P/1B	R/R	6-3	238	So.	Milo, Iowa/Southeast Warren
Jordan DeGraaf	OF	R/R	6'1	208	Fr.	Pella, Iowa/Pella Christian
Charlie Eastlund	C	R/R	5'10	185	Jr.	Boone, Iowa/Boone
**Michael Edwards	OF	L/R	6-0	209	Jr.	Pella, Iowa/Pella
Doug Eisenman	P	L/L	5-11	196	Fr.	Grundy Center, Iowa/Grundy Center
*Kyle Fuerstenberg	P	R/R	6-0	186	Jr.	Waverly, Iowa/Waverly-Shell Rock
Michael Fulton	P	R/R	6-3	179	Fr.	Ankeny, Iowa/Saydel
**Ben Gander	P	L/L	6-0	177	Jr.	Maxwell, Iowa/Collins-Maxwell
**Jared Greenfield	P	R/R	6-0	155	Jr.	Sioux Falls, S.D./O'Gorman
Jason Hassman	1B	R/R	6-0	166	Fr.	Nora Springs, Iowa/NSRF
*Aaron Heffernan	OF	L/R	5-10	176	Jr.	Ottumwa, Iowa/Ottumwa
Alex Hoffmann	2B	L/R	5-10	138	Fr.	Guttenberg, Iowa/Clayton Ridge
Joel Hugunin	2B	R/R	5-8	161	Fr.	Sioux City, Iowa/Sioux City East
*Jake Jadowski	2B	L/R	5-10	170	So.	Omaha, Neb./Ralston
**Jeremy Kippley	1B/P	L/L	6-4	228	Jr.	Denison, Iowa/Denison
*Derek Knutson	C/OF	R/R	6-1	200	So.	Richland, Wash./Yorkville (Ill.)
Chris Lehn	OF	L/L	5-10	155	Fr.	Packwood, Iowa/Pekin
**Andy Long	3B	R/R	5-9	180	Sr.	Perry, Iowa/Perry
*Mike Luce	P	R/R	6-3	186	Jr.	Omaha, Neb./Millard North
**Brett Mahan	P	L/L	6-2	157	Jr.	West Des Moines, Iowa/Valley
Marshall McElhinney	OF	R/R	5-11	188	Fr.	Morning Sun, Iowa/Mediapolis
Quinn O'Brien	C	R/R	5-10	190	So.	Carroll, Iowa/Kuemper
Drew Otto	C/P	R/R	5-10	170	Fr.	Dexter, Iowa/West Central Valley
**Justin Owens	SS	R/R	5-10	164	Jr.	Milo, Iowa/Southeast Warren
Adam Palmersheim	P	R/R	6-3	168	Jr.	Ankeny, Iowa/Ankeny
Cody Phelps	OF	R/R	6-3	168	Jr.	Ankeny, Iowa/Johnston
B.J. Pilling	P/SS	R/R	6-0	182	So.	Denison, Iowa/Denison
Keith Robinson	2B	R/R	5-9	156	Fr.	Shelby, Iowa/AHST
Corben Schuler	C/OF	R/R	6-3	175	Fr.	Granger, Iowa/Woodward-Granger
Brock Seeman	OF	R/R	6-0	162	Fr.	Woodward, Iowa/Woodward-Granger
Rob Simms	P	R/R	6-3	200	So.	Glenwood, Iowa/Glenwood
***Tom Sheehan	OF/1B	R/R	6-4	240	Sr.	Wheaton, Ill./North

Blake Smith	C	R/R	6-0	140	Fr.	Polk City, Iowa/North Polk
*Eric Speer	P	L/L	6-0	163	So	Milton, Iowa/Van Buren
Adam Squires	P/OF	R/R	5-11	185	So	Center Point, Iowa/Center Point-Urbana
Trevor Talbott	P	R/R	6-0	163	Fr.	Sioux City, Iowa/East
Chris Tibbals	P	R/R	6-3	167	So.	Lime Springs, Iowa/Crestwood
Ben Tressel	IF/OF	R/R	5-8	140	Fr.	Dubuque, Iowa/Hempstead
*letters earned						

## Outlook

In three seasons under coach Adam Stevens, the Central College baseball team has made a habit of exceeding expectations.

And even after winning a share of the school's first Iowa Conference baseball crown since 1975 and graduating the league's MVP, Stevens isn't discouraging fans from looking for still better things ahead.

Last year's club broke the school season wins mark it had established the previous year with a 26-14 mark and shattered 23 other school records. Five players received all-conference honors, most notably catcher Adam Duerfeldt, the regional position player of the year and ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America player of the year who batted .481. Slugging outfielder Shea Stamp and third baseman Matt Murphy also graduated after gaining all-league recognition.

There are just two seniors on the roster after graduating eight players but it's not an inexperienced club. The Dutch have starters back at six positions, including second-team all-conference and all-region first baseman Jeremy Kippley. And the Dutch return all four members of last year's starting pitching rotation, led by junior Brett Mahan, a first-team all-conference and second-team all-region selection.

"I'm very excited, more excited than I've ever been," Stevens said. "We have a lot of talent but have a lot of hard work ahead of us. I'm anxious to see what type of team we can be."

Fueling Stevens' sunny outlook are not only the numbers returning and what he's terming an outstanding freshman class, but some intangibles as well.

"I'm really happy with the work ethic these guys have showed in the fall workouts and in the off-season," he said.

## Pitching

It all starts with pitching and for Central, it all starts with Mahan. The lanky left-hander emerged as one of the league's dominant hurlers last year, posting a 9-1 record with a 2.53 earned run average, fanning 73 batters while walking just 19 in 74.2 innings.

"Brett obviously is coming off an outstanding season," Stevens said. "Brett is a true competitor and is not ever satisfied with where he is at. He has worked hard in the off season and has improved a couple of his pitches. We are excited to give him the ball again."

Junior Mike Luce, a team co-captain, fills the No. 2 spot in the rotation. He was 5-2 with a 3.55 ERA last year, fanning 38 batters with 20 walks in 66 innings.

"Mike really came on in the last half of the season last year," Stevens said. "And he's improved a lot since last spring. He's got a great work ethic and takes his craft very seriously. We expect good things from Mike this year."

The biggest potential glitch in the rotation is the health of junior Jared Greenfield, who had surgery early last fall. His return date is still uncertain. A two-year starter, Greenfield was 4-3 last year with a 5.69 ERA over 49 innings.

"Jared's a competitor," Stevens said. "He's not ready yet but he's fighting his way back. I hope we have him back later this spring."

Junior Kyle Fuerstenberg was unexpectedly thrown into the mix last year and responded with a 2-3 mark and a 4.05 ERA in 33.1 innings.

"Kyle gave us some quality starts and kept us in some important games," Stevens said. "That experience will only help him this year. He's a hard worker and we're looking forward to seeing what he can do this spring."

Looking to move up from the junior varsity is sophomore Adam Squires.

"I feel he can become a really good Iowa Conference pitcher," Stevens said. "He got a lot of JV experience and has one of the best arms on the team. He competes well and I think he will provide some good innings for us this spring."

The Dutch also picked up a transfer, sophomore Rob Simms of Glenwood, who played last year at Benedictine (Kan.). "Rob has a lot of talent and really throws the ball well," Stevens said. "If he works hard he can be very valuable for us."

With an increased number of nine-inning games, the bullpen will have an even more significant impact on the season, Stevens said.

"Having guys that can get outs coming out of the bullpen is something that every team needs," he said. "We have several guys that will be competing for those bullpen spots."

Junior Ben Gander was a key contributor as a reliever last year, making 17 appearances with a 6.33 ERA over 21.1 innings.

"Ben's one of our best out of the bullpen as a left-hander," Stevens said. "He really got us out of some big jams last year. We're not sure how we'll use him this year. He'll do what's best for the team."

Kippley slid over from first base for a few key situations last year. The hard-throwing left-hander was 2-0 with a 5.00 ERA in five appearances over nine innings. Stevens said he might ask him to fill that role again. He's also looking at sophomores Eric Speer and Chris Tibbals along with freshmen Doug Eisenman of Grundy Center and Trevor Talbott from Stevens' old high school at Sioux City East. Eisenman and Talbott both bring strong high school resumes.

"I'm excited about the depth of our pitching staff," Stevens said. "There are some guys who are unproven but it's potentially a great group. A strength of our pitchers last year was that they didn't walk many guys and they always kept us in the game. Hopefully we can be that way again this year."

### **Infield**

Stevens is looking at filling a chasm rather than just a hole behind the plate. Duerfeldt not only was a record-setting player but the team heartbeat as its emotional leader. But Stevens stressed that he's not asking this year's catchers to fill that void by themselves.

"We need every player to help do that," he said.

And Stevens is enthused about the new candidates. Junior Charlie Eastlund of Boone, a transfer from Hesston (Kan.) Community College shows great promise.

"Charlie knows the game very well and is a great competitor," Stevens said. "He had a nice two years in junior college and we're excited to see what he can bring to the team this year. Once they get used to him I think the pitchers will enjoy throwing to him."

Sophomore Derek Knutson came to Central as a catcher and will likely see some action there as well. Knutson had an impressive debut season, playing mostly in the outfield while hitting .329 with three homers and 30 runs batted in. Stevens said he might even take over the No. 3 spot in the batting order.

"Derek had a great freshman year and is continuing to improve every day," Stevens said. "I think he could be a great offensive player for us," Stevens said.

Sophomore Quinn O'Brien and freshmen Drew Otto of Dexter and Corban Schueler of Granger are also catching possibilities.

Kippley is a two-year starter at first base and had the team's second-highest batting average with a .345 mark. He had 10 doubles, four triples and three homers with 41 RBI.

"Jeremy has really worked on his game in the off-season," Stevens said. "He's a strong hitter and plays a great first base as well. He'll be in the middle of the lineup and I look for him to have a big year."

O'Brien and Eastlund can also play first, along with senior co-captain Tom Sheehan and freshman Jason Hassman of Nora Springs. Sheehan hit .337 last year with 12 RBI in 32 games.

Sophomore Jake Jadlofski returns at second base after batting .301 with 23 RBI.

"Jake had a very solid freshman year," Stevens said. "He had a great year at the plate during the conference season and really came on defensively. He can have a great season if he applies all the things he learned last year as a freshman."

In the mix at both second base and shortstop are sophomore B.J. Pilling, highly regarded freshman Ben Tressel, an all-stater from Hempstead High School in Dubuque, and classmates Alex Hoffmann of Guttenberg and Joel Hugunin, another Sioux City East product.

"Ben (Tressel) has a good chance of working his way into the lineup," Stevens said. "For a freshman he has a lot of knowledge of the game. He comes from a good high school program and can run well."

Junior Justin Owens is a two-year infield starter and took over as shortstop last year. He hit .212 with 14 RBI but Stevens said his defensive contributions are more significant.

"He plays a great defensive shortstop," Stevens said. "He can really go get it in the hole and to his right. And he got some big hits for us, too. He's really worked hard and had a good fall at the plate. Jake and Justin can turn two as well as anyone so I'm excited about the potential of our middle infield."

While Knutson could catch when needed, Stevens expects him to spend most of his time at third base, replacing the graduated Murphy. He'll be joined by senior Andy Long who played in 23 games last year and freshman Brad Arends. A middle infielder through much of his Central career, Long fills a valuable role, Stevens said.

"Andy's a very experienced player, which we certainly need," he said. "And he can swing the bat."

### **Outfield**

Junior Michael Edwards and Sheehan are the favorites in left and right field, respectively, after playing there much of last season. Edwards was a third baseman earlier, but is now a full-time outfielder. A team co-captain, Edwards batted .297 last year with 30 RBI and three homers.

"Mike really had a solid year," Stevens said. "He hit in the middle of the lineup and had some big hits for us. And he got a lot better in the outfield as the season went on."

Sheehan hit .337 with four stolen bases and 12 RBI.

"Tom is a veteran and one of the team's vocal leaders," Stevens said. "He really swings the bat well and we're looking for him to show some leadership this year."

Stevens needs to replace Stamp in center field, another difficult task. Speedy junior Aaron Heffernan will probably get the first look. He appeared in 31 games last year, scoring 14 runs and stealing four bases.

"Aaron's a great defensive player," Stevens said. "He can really go get it and he has a very accurate arm. He has some work to do offensively but I want someone in center field who can make plays and he can do that."

Stevens also likes freshman Anthony Bazant of La Vista, Neb.

"He's got a chance to be very good," he said. "He can run, has a really good arm and can play all three outfield positions."

Squires can also play outfield when he's not pitching.

"He's very good defensively," Stevens said. "He's a great athlete and a great competitor."

Infielders Long and Tressel could also push for action in the outfield, along with freshman all-stater Chris Lehn of Packwood.

### **Designated hitter**

The designated hitter candidates won't be determined until Stevens picks a lineup and that could vary from game to game, he said.

"We've got a lot of competition at all positions," Stevens said. "It will be interesting to see how it all works out. We'll rotate our DH early a lot and go with the hot bat. There certainly are several good candidates."

### **The Iowa Conference**

Central will enter the league race in a position the Dutch haven't been in since 1976: defending a title. Simpson and Wartburg shared the crown with Central last year.

"A lot of the teams at the top of the conference last year graduated some very good players so it will be interesting to see what happens," he said.

Stevens said Wartburg, Coe, Simpson and Luther are title threats as well but said there's little that's certain about the league race.

"A lot of the teams that were in the lower half of the standings last year have almost their entire lineup returning, so there could be a big shake-up in the standings," Stevens said. "We just hope we're up there at the end."

A change in the league schedule could have a big impact. There will be three games against each conference opponent, including one nine-inning game and seven-inning doubleheaders, often on back-to-back days.

"I think that will really separate the teams," Stevens said. "It really tests your pitching depth and there probably will be more offense."

Central again opens the season in the Minneapolis Metrodome March 1, meeting Hamline (Minn.) at the unlikely hour of 7 a.m. before heading to Florida for 10 games in six days March 10-16. Stevens doesn't see many stress-free days on the non-conference schedule, but that's largely by design.

"I think it's good to play a strong schedule early in the season," he said. "That can only make practice better because everyone knows we have to be ready by March 1. We should be well-tested before we start our conference season at the end of March."

While the Dutch have enjoyed startling success in Stevens' brief tenure, loftier goals remain and they know none will be easily attained.

"I think the expectations are where they should be," Stevens said. "But in order to do the things we want to do, we have to figure out a way to get there. I'm happy with the work ethic the players showed in the fall workouts and in the off-season so that is promising. Our veterans are continuing to learn what it takes to be successful and we are all excited about the challenges ahead."

