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2004 IOWA CONFERENCE WOMEN'S SOCCER PREVIEW

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA . . . Three-time defending Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (IIAC) Champion Loras College received seven of eight first-place votes and accumulated 63 points to claim to the top spot in the 2004 IIAC Women's Soccer Coaches' Poll. Luther College received the other first-place vote and is second in the preseason poll with 56 points followed by Simpson College (47 points), Wartburg College (44 points) and Cornell College (39 points). The complete 2004 IIAC Women's Soccer Coaches' Poll follows.

Rank	School (1st place votes)	Points	2003 Record
1	Loras (7)	63	20-2-1, 8-0-0 IIAC
2	Luther (1)	56	17-4-1, 7-1-0 IIAC
3	Simpson	47	11-8-0, 6-2-0 IIAC
4	Wartburg	44	8-11-0, 3-5-0 IIAC
5	Cornell	39	8-10-0, 3-5-0 IIAC
6	Coe	34	9-10-0, 3-5-0 IIAC
7	Dubuque	28	8-10-0, 3-5-0 IIAC
8	Central	25	7-9-0, 3-5-0 IIAC
9	Buena Vista	16	1-14-2, 0-8-0 IIAC

Conference-favorite Loras is T-24th in the national preseason rankings released on August 24, by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA). The Duhawks are tied with Salem State (Mass.) College.

The 2004 women's soccer season begins on September 1, with eight games scheduled that day. All nine IIAC teams will see their first action of the year by Saturday, September 4. Conference-play begins with the Cornell/Buena Vista match on September 18, and concludes with the six-team Conference Tournament on November 2 and 5-6. The first round matches will be played at the higher seed. The semifinals and finals are at Buena Vista University.

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Buena Vista University Beavers
(2-14-2 overall, 0-8 IIAC – 9th)

Starters Returning/Lost: 6/5

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/8

About the Team: The trend for Buena Vista the last couple of seasons has been fielding an improved and growingly more competitive team. That trend is expected to continue this season with the group of returning players and a strong group of newcomers.

Quote from the Coach: Third-year coach **Matt Klosterman** says, “We continue to improve and will be better than last season’s squad despite featuring no seniors on the 2004 team. The addition of several talented freshmen and transfers should be seen primarily in the attack and should make the team more competitive in and out of the IIAC. The team should be much fitter, deeper and more athletic than BVU team’s of the past.”

Key Returnees	
Jodi Coleman, So., D	2003 Second Team All-Conference 1 goal-3 assists (led team)-5 points (2nd on team)
Stephanie Johnson, Jr., MF	2 goals (t-1st on team)-2 assists-6 points (led team) in 18 matches
Melissa Riddle, Jr., D	18 matches
Emily Carlson, So., GK	2-12-2, 2.93 GAA, .704 save pct. (9th in IIAC) and 2 shutouts in 17 matches
Tiffany Ellenberger, So., D	18 matches
Erin Stewart, So., F	1 goal-1 assist-3 points in 18 matches

Newcomers To Watch	
Ashlie Dickinson, Jr., MF/F	Transfer from Grand View
Jessica Enriquez, Fr., MF	
Danette Miller, Fr., D	
Michaela Monjaraz, Fr., MF	
Laura Poe, So., D/MF	

Tough Losses	
Rachael Witosky, GK	0-2-0, 3.37 GAA, .710 save pct. in 2 matches
Crystal O’Dell, F/MF	2 goals (t-1st on team)-4 points (t-3rd on team)
Sara Saunders, F/MF	11 matches
Krystal Cary, F	2 matches

Central College Dutch (7-9 overall, 3-5 IIAC – t-4th)

Starters Returning/Lost: 6/5

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/7

About the Team: Central will look to ride the momentum of last season's strong finish. After losing nine of their first 12 games, the Dutch finished with a three-game winning streak and in a five-team logjam for fourth place in the Conference.

Quote from the Coach: First-year coach **Rick Burns** says, "I want the team to train and play hard. I want them to improve technically and improve their tactical understanding of the game. And finally, I want them to enjoy the experience. If you do those three things the rest follows. I'd like to play possession soccer, but you have to play a style relative to the talent that you have and the skills of your opponent. And if you have just one style, you become predictable. In soccer, it's important to play unpredictably."

Key Returnees	
Lynette Woodrow, Jr., F	6 goals-4 assists-16 points in 16 matches. Led team in all three categories
Katie Owens, Sr., MF	4 goals (t-2nd on team)-2 assists-10 points (3rd on team) in 15 matches
Jamie Wheelock, Sr., MF	2003 Second Team All-Conference 2 goals-4 points in 16 matches
Alisa Scarrow, Jr., MF	2 goals-2 assists-6 points in 15 matches
Chelsea Sandvik, So., F	1 goal-2 points in 14 matches
Myra Applegate, Jr., F	1 assist in 13 matches
Tara Thornton, Sr., MF	15 matches
Ashley Veigelt, So., GK	4-2-0, 1.33 GAA, .810 save pct. in 12 matches (4 starts).

Newcomers To Watch	
Whitney Barnes, Fr., GK	
April Feldman, Fr., MF	
Brenda Pavelka, Fr., MF	
Victoria Rittman, Fr., F	
Natalie Ruedy, Fr., MF	

Tough Losses	
Natasha Collier, MF	2 goals-2 assists-6 points in 6 matches
Jess Watson, F	3 goals (4th on team)-1 assist-7 points (t-4th on team) in 16 matches
Melissa Eshelman, MF	4 goals (t-2nd on team)-3 assists (t-2nd on team)-11 points (2nd on team) in 14 matches
Leslie Schmailzl, D	2 goals-3 assists-7 points (t-4th on team) in 16 matches
Katie Pipho, GK	3-7-0, 2.76 GAA, .757 save pct.

Coe College Kohawks
(9-10 overall, 3-5 IIAC – t-4th)

Starters Returning/Lost: 9/2

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 13/6

About the Team: Eight of Coe's top-10 scorers from 2003 return to the line-up this year but the Kohawks must replace two goaltenders that split time last season

Quote from the Coach: Fourth-year coach **Mickey Wu** says, "If we can stay healthy, we can field a competitive team."

Key Returnees	
Erica Baasten , So., MF/F	2003 Second Team All-Conference 10 goals (t-8th in IIAC)-5 assists (t-2nd on team)-25 points (led team) in 18 matches; t-3rd in IIAC with 3 game winning goals
Chelsie Reifschneider , Sr., MF/F	8 goals (2nd on team)-4 assists-20 points (2nd on team) in 19 matches
Danielle Allen , Sr., F	6 goals (t-3rd on team)-7 assists (led team)-19 points (3rd on team) in 19 matches
Emily Sellers , Sr., MF/F	6 goals (t-3rd on team)-2 assists-14 points (4th on team) in 19 matches
Shannon Osborn , So., MF/F	4 goals (5th on team)-2 assists-10 points (5th on team) in 18 matches
Lauren Sensenbrenner , Jr., MF	1 goal-5 assists-7 points in 19 matches
Shelby Herig , So., D/MF	3 goals-6 points in 17 matches
Mandy White , So., D/MF	2 goals-2 assists-6 points in 16 matches
Bridget Dunlay , Sr., D/MF	1 assist in 19 matches
Rebecca Ball , So., GK	0-1-0, 2.68 GAA, .727 save pct. in 4 matches (1 start)
Sarah Grothe , Sr., D	18 matches

Newcomers To Watch	
Jamie Spoden , So., MF/F	
Melanie Teehan , So., MF/F	
Kelsey Cannon , Fr., MF/D	
Julia Deibner Hanson , Fr., MF	
Joanna Eigsti , Fr., MF	
Dawn Holesinger , Fr., MF/D	
Tessa Jania , Fr., GK	
Lisa Lippert , Fr., MF/D	
Jenny McArdle , Fr., MF/F	
Susan Pelechek , Fr., MF	
Laura Steele , Fr., MF	

Tough Losses	
Krista O'Brien , GK	5-4-0, 2.49 GAA, .600 save pct., 2 shutouts in 11 matches. 9th in IIAC in GAA and t-5th in IIAC in shutouts
Cari Johnson , GK	4-5-0, 1.73 GAA, .791 save pct. in 9 matches. 5th in IIAC in GAA and save pct.
Jill Sandmire , MF/D	2 goals-4 points in 18 matches
Tina Reinhold , MF/F	3 goals-2 assists-8 points in 13 matches

Cornell College Rams (8-10 overall, 3-5 IIAC – t-4th)

Starters Returning/Lost: 6/5

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/6

About the Team: Last season Cornell struggled to score, scoring just 19 goals in 18 matches but was kept in many games thanks to strong goaltending that posted six shutouts. Success for the Rams will be dependant on finding a replacement for goaltender **Carolyn Lee** as well as its top-four scorers, who accounted for 13 goals.

Quote from the Coach: Eleventh-year co-coach **Steve Robertson** says, “We have a very young team with just two seniors and two juniors. We look to improve throughout the length of the season, get into the playoffs, and then see what happens at the end of the season.”

Key Returnees	
Casey Kujawa , So., D	1 goal-3 assists (led team)-5 points in 18 matches
Erica Cooper , So., MF	2 goals-4 points in 18 matches
Alex Myers , Sr., D	1 goal-1 assist-3 points in 17 matches
Kim Bussiere , Jr., D	Two-time All-Conference 1 goal-1 assist-3 points in 15 matches
Caity O’Rourke , Sr., D	2003 Second Team All-Conference 2 assists in 18 matches
Stephanie Clark , So., F	1 goal-2 assists-4 points in 18 matches
Kate Euser , So., MF	2 assists in 15 matches
Charlotte Bradford , So., MF	15 matches

Newcomers To Watch	
Shauna Becker , Fr.	
Chelsea Coyne , Fr.	
Emily Isenberg , Fr.	
Amanda Paulson , Fr.	

Tough Losses	
Erin Lynch , MF	Two-time All-Conference 4 goals (led team)-2 assists-10 points (led team) in 18 matches
Tiffany Klingert , MF	3 goals (t-2nd on team)-2 assists-8 points (2nd on team) in 15 matches
Raechel Gutierrez , F	3 goals (t-2nd on team)-1 assist-7 points (3rd on team) in 16 matches
Shannon Schmitt , F	3 goals (t-2nd on team)-6 points (4th on team) in 17 matches
Carolyn Lee , GK	8-10-0, 1.56 GAA, .808 save pct., 6 shutouts. Led IIAC in shutouts and saves (118). 4th in IIAC in GAA and save pct.
Jen LeBaw , F	2 assists in 13 matches

University of Dubuque Spartans (8-10 overall, 3-5 IIAC – t-4th)

Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 12/2

About the Team: Dubuque is full of experience on the defensive side of the field with four returning starters and a goaltending duo that split time last season. A solid base of returning forwards and midfielders, including the school's all-time leading scorer **Kim Monigold**, will be strengthened by the addition of several key newcomers.

Quote from the Coach: Fourth-year coach **Jason Berna** says, "We have added several scorers to this very experienced squad and look to finish well in the Conference. With strong upperclassmen leadership and a group of fresh faces in the middle and up top, the Spartans will be very exciting to watch. The Lady Spartans have their sights place on finishing in the top half of the Conference this season."

Key Returnees	
Kim Monigold, Sr., F	2003 Second Team All-Conference 11 goals (t-6th in IIAC)-7 assists (3rd on team)-29 points (8th in IIAC) in 17 matches
Lesley Oyen, Sr., F	Missed 2003 season, two-time All-Conference 2002 stats – 14 goals (6th in IIAC)-4 assists-32 points (7th in IIAC)
Julie Futrell, Jr., MF	5 goals (t-4th on team)-6 assists (4th on team)-16 points (4th on team) in 18 matches
Ashley Liddle, So., MF	1 goal-2 points in 18 matches
Jackie Herrig, Sr., D	2003 First Team All-Conference 17 matches
Margaret Williamson, So., D	18 games
Jillian Nieves, Jr., D	1 assist in 18 matches
Stephanie Armbruster, Sr., D	18 matches
CeCe Zangara, Sr., GK	4-7-0, 3.68 GAA, .679 save pct. in 11 matches; 10th in IIAC in save pct.
Laura Gerlach, So., GK	4-3-0, 2.07 GAA, .673 save pct., 2 shutouts in 10 matches; 8th in IIAC in GAA

Newcomers To Watch	
Sarah Shelander, F	
Caitlin Tero, MF	
Melody Erwin, MF	
Ashley Switzer, MF	
Courtland Taylor, MF	
Brittney Lund, GK	

Tough Losses	
Katie Bosley, MF/F	14 goals (4th in IIAC)-8 assists-36 points (4th in IIAC) in 17 matches
Maggie Stevens, F	8 goals (3rd on team)-8 assists (t-1st on team)-24 points (3rd on team) in 16 matches
Simone Oglesbee, MF	5 goals (t-5th in IIAC)-2 assists-12 points in 17 matches

Loras College Duhawks
(20-2-1 overall, 8-0 IIAC – 1st)

Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 14/3

About the Team: Loras returns nine of its top-10 scorers, eight starters including its goaltender from last season's 20-win team that finished fifth nationally in scoring (4.13 goals/game) and 29th nationally in goals against average (0.643 GAA).

Quote from the Coach: Seventh-year coach **Dan Rotherth** says, "We return eight starters from our 'Sweet Sixteen' team in 2003. With the returning depth and a solid recruiting class, we like our chances for a fourth consecutive IIAC title."

Key Returnees	
Michelle Wieser, Sr., F	2003 NSCAA All-American (first IIAC soccer All-American, male or female); NSCAA All-Central Region; Three-time First Team All-Conference 10th nationally in scoring (2.96 points/game); 19 th nationally in goals (1.13 goal/game) and 25th nationally in assists (0.70 assists/game) 26 goals (2nd in IIAC)-16 points (t-1st in IIAC)-68 points (2nd in IIAC) in 23 matches. Led IIAC with 9 game winning goals
Erin Hall, Sr., GK	2003 Second Team All-Conference 20-2-1, 0.56 GAA, .848 save pct., 4 shutouts in 23 matches. Led IIAC in GAA (20th nationally), save pct. and ranked third in shutouts.
Jenni Wilberding, Jr., F	2003 Second Team All-Conference 8 goals (t-3rd on team)-10 assists (t-7th in IIAC)-26 points (10th in IIAC) in 19 matches 3 game winning goals (t-3rd in IIAC)
Katie Brake, Sr., MF	Three-time All-Conference 8 goals (t-3rd on team)-11 assists (6th in IIAC)-27 points (9th in IIAC) in 20 matches
Roadie Doar, Jr., MF	2003 Second Team All-Conference 4 goals-7 assists-15 points (t-7th on team) in 23 matches
Danielle Gaydusek, Jr., MF	9 goals (t-10th in IIAC)-5 assists-23 points (4th on team) in 20 matches
Julie Sapko, Jr., MF	6 goals-3 assists-15 points (t-7th on team) in 21 matches
Fae Carroll, Jr., D	2003 NSCAA All-Central Region; Two-time First Team All-Conference 22 matches
Molly Edwards, So., F	7 goals (5th on team)-4 assists-18 points in 23 matches
Katie Zurek, Sr., MF	4 goals-4 assists-12 points in 23 matches
Emily Dock, So., MF	4 goals-8 points in 22 matches
Kerry Walsh, Jr., D	Missed entire 2003 season due injury, 2002 Second Team All-Conference

Newcomers To Watch	
Leslie Eggers, Fr., MF	
Marie Prendergast, Fr., MF	
Katie Ryan, Fr., D/MF	
Allison Sanyi, Fr., MF/F	
Cara Sayer, Fr., D	
Katee Whitney, Fr., D	

Tough Losses	
Becky Duffy, D	2 goals-4 points in 23 matches
Stephanie Burgmeier, D	1 goal-2 points in 23 matches
Julie Krett, MF	6 goals-5 assists-17 points (6th on team) in 23 matches

Luther College Norse
(17-4-1 overall, 7-1 IIAC – 2nd)

Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 17/3

About the Team: Luther set a school record with its 17 victories last season and returns 90 percent of its scoring offense from 2003 in which the Norse finished seventh nationally in scoring (3.91 goals/game) led by national scoring leader **Katie Pettigrew**.

Quote from the Coach: Coach **Doug Mello**, in his 14th-season, says, “2003 was a banner year for us with 17 wins, a regional ranking and tying Loras in the Championship match, but the team wants more. With the loss of only two starters, and Katie Pettigrew healthy, the sky is the limit for our Norse squad. Add to the mix the bevy of all-state and ODP recruits we have coming in, and you have a formula for success.”

Key Returnees	
Katie Pettigrew, Sr., F	2003 NSCAA All-Central Region; 2003 IIAC Most Valuable Player; three-time First Team All-Conference Led nation in goals/game (1.79) and points/game (4.32). Ranked 13th nationally in assists/game (0.74) 34 goals (led IIAC)-14 assists (t-3rd in IIAC)-82 points (led IIAC) in 19 matches. 2nd in IIAC with 6 game winning goals Need eight points and five goals to become the school's all-time career leader in those categories. Enters season with 98 goals and 233 points
Abby Bachelder, Sr., MF	2003 NSCAA All-Central Region; three-time All-Conference 11 goals (t-6th in IIAC)-9 assists (10th in IIAC)-31 points (7th in IIAC) in 21 matches Needs nine assists to become school's all-time leader. Enters season with 39 career assists.
Ann Cary, Jr., MF	7 goals (4th on team)-7 assists-21 points in 22 matches
Kirsten Russell, Sr., MF	2003 First Team All-Conference 3 goals-10 assists (t-7th in IIAC)-16 points in 21 matches
Kendal Maxa, Sr., D	4 assists in 22 matches
Dona Richardson, So., D	22 matches
Brittany Reed, Jr., MF	t-17th nationally with 0.73 assists/game; led IIAC with 16 assists; 22 points (4th on team) in 22 matches
Emily Jacob, So., MF	2003 Second Team All-Conference 9 goals (t-10th in IIAC)-6 assists-24 points (3rd on team) in 22 matches
Julie Streib, Sr., D	18 matches
Sarah Olson, Jr., F	6 goals (5th on team)-3 assists-15 points in 20 matches
Meg Craft, So., F	2 goals-2 assists-6 points in 20 matches
Meredith Smith, So., MF	2 goals-4 points in 20 matches
Lily Steinberg, So., GK	5-0-0, 1.07 GAA, .737 save pct., 2 shutouts in 5 matches (4 starts)

Tough Losses	
Michelle Edelman, GK	Two-time All-Conference 12-4-1, 0.95 GAA, .835 save pct., 5 shutouts in 18 matches. 2nd in IIAC in GAA, save pct. and shutouts
Sarah Braun, MF	4 goals-13 assists (5th in IIAC)-21 points in 22 matches
Angie Froehle, D	1 goal-2 assists-4 points in 20 matches

Simpson College Storm (11-8 overall, 6-2 IIAC – 3rd)

Starters Returning/Lost: 9/2

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 11/4

About the Team: For the first time since 1998, Simpson does not have a former Conference MVP on its roster and the Storm must replace two of its top-three scorers from last season's team that ranked 13th nationally in scoring (3.58 goals/game). Despite having no seniors on the roster, Simpson is deep with nine starters returning from a year ago.

Quote from the Coach: Ninth-year coach **Aziz Haffar** says, "The key is for us to find the right spots on the field and the right team chemistry. We have a solid nucleus in place to accomplish our goal of finishing in the top-two of the Conference, hopefully winning it and qualifying for the NCAA. Working together, I feel, is the most important aspect in soccer. The team has to develop as a unit towards the common goal."

Key Returnees	
Stephanie Shimp, Jr., GK	10-6-0, 1.78 GAA, .765 save pct. 6th in IIAC in GAA, 7th in IIAC in save pct.
Ashley Curran, So., F	2003 First Team All-Conference t-13th nationally in assists/game (0.74) 10 goals (t-8th in IIAC)-14 assists (t-2nd in IIAC)-34 points (5th in IIAC) in 19 matches
April Bachinski, So., MF	4 goals (t-5th on team)-5 assists (t-4th on team)-13 points (t-5th on team) in 18 matches
Natalie Chizek, So., MF	8 goals (t-3rd on team)-4 assists-20 points (4th on team) in 19 matches
Megan Gallagher, Jr., MF	4 goals (t-5th on team)-5 assists (t-4th on team)-13 points (t-5th on team) in 18 matches
Megan Hauswald, Jr., MF	3 goals-2 assists-8 points in 18 matches
Heather Barrett, Jr., D	2003 Second Team All-Conference 19 matches
Amy LeBlanc, So., D	4 assists in 15 matches
Kelli DeMetri, Jr., MF	2 goals-3 assists-7 points in 15 matches
Megan Schonhorst, So., MF	3 goals-2 assists-8 points in 19 matches
Amy Hubner, So., MF	3 goals-1 assist-7 points in 16 matches
Jadrian Clark, So., MF	9 matches
Morgan Kelly, So., F	3 goals-6 points in five matches

Newcomers To Watch	
Tracy French, Fr., D	
Jessica Keyser, So., D	
Annie Marshall, Fr., MF/F	
Laura Meihofner, Fr., D	
Katie Nichols, Fr., D	
Hannah Walter, Fr., F	

Tough Losses	
Erin Goettl, F	Three-time All-Conference; 2002 IIAC MVP 19 th nationally in points/game (2.78) and t-20th nationally in goals/game (1.11) 20 goals (3rd in IIAC)-10 assists (t-7th in IIAC)-50 points (3rd in IIAC) in 18 matches
Lindsay Clark, MF	Four-time All-Conference 8 goals-8 assists-24 points in 19 matches
Ryly Zetterman, D	2 assists in 19 matches

Wartburg College Knights (8-11 overall, 3-5 IIAC – t-4th)

Starters Returning/Lost: 7/4

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 17/5

About the Team: Wartburg returns six of its top-seven scorers from last season. Twenty-one newcomers, including 19 freshmen will push the returning players as the Knights hope to improve on their 8-11 season.

Quote from the Coach: Fifth-year coach **Jim Conlon** says, “I expect the team will be competitive in the Conference. I am excited about the overall talent level of our team and all the team’s in the Conference.”

Key Returnees	
Katie Rapp, Sr., MF/D	2003 First Team All-Conference 5 goals (t-4th on team)-3 assists-13 points (5th on team) in 19 matches
Tiffany Treanor, Sr., F	13 goals (5th in IIAC)-7 assists (led team)-33 points (6th in IIAC) in 19 matches
Chelsea Krohe, Sr., F	7 goals (2nd on team)-5 assists (2nd on team)-19 points (2nd on team) in 18 matches
Kristin Beck, So., F	2003 Second Team All-Conference 6 goals (3rd on team)-4 assists (t-3rd on team)-16 points (3rd on team) in 19 matches
Sarah Phillips, Sr., MF	5 goals (t-4th on team)-2 assists-12 points in 19 matches
Michelle Bethel, Jr., D	3 goals-2 assists-8 points in 19 matches
Ashley Kueker, Jr., D	3 assists in 16 matches
Annie Fox, Sr., MF	1 goal-1 assist-3 points in 14 matches
Sarah Walters, Sr., MF	1 assist in 13 matches
Mary Achelpohl, Jr., GK	1-1-0, 1.48 GAA, .714 save pct. in 7 matches (2 starts)
Katie Morgart, Sr., D	12 matches

Newcomers To Watch	
Andi Hudgens, Fr., MF	
Jess Iserman, Jr., F	Transfer from Univ. of Northern Iowa
Erin Magrew, Fr., MF	

Tough Losses	
Mindy Viering, MF	Three-time All-Conference 2 goals-4 points in 19 matches
Cassy Dearborn, D	2 goals-3 assists-7 points in 19 matches
Kate Stoffel, GK	5-5-0, 1.79 GAA, .766 save pct. in 14 matches.