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IOWA CONFERENCE WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP PREVIEW

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA . . . The 2007 Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (IIAC) women's golf Championship begins this weekend, September 28-29, with the first 36-holes of the 72-hole Championship. This weekend's rounds will be played at Pheasant Ridge Golf Club in Cedar Falls, Iowa. The final 36-holes will be played October 5-6, at The Meadows Golf Club in Asbury, Iowa. Friday rounds begin at 10:00 a.m. Saturday rounds begin at 9:00 a.m. Loras College is the host of the 2007 women's golf Championship.

Pairings for play on the first day are determined by team stroke averages. The top four 18-hole scores on courses of at least 5,800 yards will be used to determine team stroke averages. Players from the three teams with the lowest stroke average will play together as will players from the fourth, fifth and sixth ranked teams (based on stroke average) and players from the seventh, eighth and ninth ranked teams.

Pairings for play in rounds two and three will be based on each teams' score position from the previous day. The final round pairings will be determined by individual scores after round three.

Each school may enter five players for each round with the four best performances each day used to determine the team score.

AQ on the Line: Last year, the NCAA expanded the size of the field for the women's golf National Championship and will again award automatic bids to qualifying Conferences. The Iowa Conference women's golf Champion will be the Conference's automatic qualifier to the 2008 NCAA Division III Women's Golf Championship scheduled for May 13-16, 2008, at Centennial Oaks Golf Course in Waverly, Iowa. Iowa Conference member Wartburg is the host institution.

About the 2007 Season: Four Iowa Conference schools have posted top-ten finishes in at least four tournaments this fall. Loras leads the Conference with two tournament titles (Clarke Invitational, Loras Invitational), while defending IIAC champion Wartburg captured a victory at the Luther Fall Invitational. The Knights have the Conference's top team stroke average (332.0) and have finished no worse than fourth in four tournaments. Loras (353.4 average) edges Luther (354.7) for second place in team stroke average, while Simpson, which has four top-ten finishes, has the fourth-best stroke average in the Conference (360.0). Coe has four top-five finishes and ranks fifth in stroke average (364.0).

Individually, Wartburg's **Kate Thompson** has the top stroke average (82.0 average in seven rounds) and has a low round of 79 along with three rounds of 80 and another of 81. Wartburg's **Daina Deery** (82.7 in five rounds), Buena Vista's **Chelsea Anderson** (83.8 in six rounds), Wartburg's **Stephanie Burns** (84.0 in seven rounds) and Simpson's **Katie Vaux** (84.3 in seven rounds) round out the top-five individuals by stroke average on the season.

Vaux, and Coe's **Amanda Nigg** and **Jackie Lerdahl** have posted four top-20 finishes this season. Vaux has four top-20 finishes, three top-10s, and two top-5s including Medalist honors at the Loras Invitational. Nigg has four top-20 finishes, three top-10s, and one top-five. Lerdahl has three top-10s among her four top-20 finishes. Deery (Luther Invitational) and Anderson (Central Invitational) are the other Conference golfers to earn Medalist honors in addition to Vaux. Thompson enters the Tournament with three consecutive top-five finishes after opening the season with a 26th-place finish at the UW-Eau Claire Invitational.

Deery has the Conference's three lowest rounds of the season, shooting 76 twice (Wartburg Invitational, Luther Invitational) and 77 once (UW-Eau Claire Invitational). Seven other golfers have broken 80 this season. Loras' **Brooke Davis** shot a 78 at the Wartburg Invitational, while Burns posted a 78 at the Luther Invitational. Thompson and

Wartburg's **Ellen Rickert** each shot a 79 at the Wartburg Invitational, Anderson posted a 79 to win the Central Invitational, Loras' **Amy Kemp** shot a 79 at the Illinois Wesleyan Fall Classic, and Vaux recorded a 79 at the Luther Invitational.

Complete team and individual scoring averages follow this release.

2006 Championship Recap: Simpson College won its IIAC-record ninth women's golf Championship firing a 72-hole total 1321, outdistancing two-time defending champion Wartburg by six strokes to win its first Conference title since 2002 and earn the Conference's inaugural automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Women's Golf Championship. Buena Vista's **Jennifer Stork** took home individual Medalist honors after posting four rounds in the 70s and shooting an IIAC 72-hole Championship record 306 (75-76-77-78).

Stork broke the Conference's previous 72-hole low of 314 set in 2005 by Wartburg's **Erin Dohlman**. Stork finished nine strokes ahead of Wartburg's **Andrea Schiltz**, who was second at 72-75-84-84—315. Following a scorecard tie-breaker, Kemp (81-77-82-89—329) finished third and Vaux (78-74-82-95—329) finished fourth.

A scorecard tie-breaker gave Central's **Sharilyne Hoekstra** (74-82-88-86—330) fifth-place and Simpson's **Jess Harvey** (78-76-87-89—330) sixth-place. Brooke Davis (331), Wartburg's **Megan Cress** (334) and Simpson's **Megan Smith** (337) finished seventh, eighth and ninth, respectively. Simpson's **Noel Treibel** (339) defeated Thompson on the first hole of a sudden death playoff to finish 10th and round out the All-Conference honorees.

Top Returning Individuals: Eleven of the top-20 finishers from 2006 return to their teams' line-up for this year's Conference Championship, including five All-Conference performers (top-10 finish). Loras' Kemp and Davis are among 40 Iowa Conference women's golfers with two top-10 finishes at the Conference Championship and with another can join 18 others that have three top-10 finishes. Kemp, last year's third-place finisher with a 329, finished 10th in 2005 with a 342. Davis, who placed seventh last year with a 331, tied for 10th in 2004 with a 335 while golfing for Wartburg.

Other returning top-20 finishers from 2006 include: Thompson (11th, 339), Derry (t-12th, 341), Coe's **Angela Meisterling** (t-12th, 341), Loras' **Steph Schwartz** (t-12th, 341), Luther's **Amy Ekland** (19th, 348) and Coe's Amanda Nigg (20th, 349).

A trio Simpson golfers – Vaux (4th, 329), Smith (9th, 337) and Treibel (10th, 339) – return with All-Conference honors to their credit from last season, while Thompson and Luther's **Lindsay Thies** earned All-Conference honors in 2005.

Probable Line-ups: Probable line-ups for the Conference Championship are listed below. Teams with more than five golfers are still holding competition to determine its Championship line-up. Bolded players have previously competed in the Iowa Conference Championship. Buena Vista has only three golfers and will not be eligible for the team championship.

Buena Vista	Chelsea Anderson , Katie Berlin, Allison Platt
Central	Eva Downes , Nicole Wenstrand, Jordan Williams , Meghan Swella, Lindsey Ellenson
Coe	Ashley Axdahl , Caitlin Johnson , Angela Meisterling , Amanda Nigg , Jackie Lerdahl
Cornell	Amanda Brodin , Brittany Szczepanik , Sarah Vittetoe , Hana Cleaveland, Ashley Zerjav
Dubuque	Amber Sulzner , Emily Frye, Kacie Towner, Tiffany Sauser, Ashley Hoppenjan , Diedrah Kennedy
Loras	Brooke Davis , Amy Kemp , Jackie Kieffer , Steph Schwartz , Brittney Davis
Luther	Jenessa Bonikowske , Amy Ekland , Emily Looft , Lindsay Thies , Ellen Miller
Simpson	Noel Triebel , Katie Vaux , Megan Smith , Kayla Miller, Chelsy Manny
Wartburg	Daina Deery , Ellen Rickert , Kate Thompson , Stephanie Burns, Jordan Galles

Previous IIAC women's golf Championship results can be found at:
<http://www.iowaconference.com/women/golf/tournaments.htm>.

Conference Leaders

INDIVIDUAL SCORING AVERAGE

Minimum 1 rounds

	Rounds	Strokes	Avg
Kate Thompson-WAR	7	574	82.0
Daina Deery-WAR	7	579	82.7
Chelsea Anderson-BVU	6	503	83.8
Stephanie Burns-WAR	7	588	84.0
Katie Vaux-SIM	7	590	84.3
Ellen Rickert-WAR	7	598	85.4
Noel Triebel-SIM	7	607	86.7
Brooke Davis-LOR	10	870	87.0
Amy Ekland-LUT	7	612	87.4
Heidi Hesse-WAR	2	175	87.5
Amy Kemp-LOR	10	875	87.5
Jenessa Bonikowske-LUT	7	615	87.9
Jordan Galles-WAR	7	617	88.1
Lindsay Thies-LUT	7	617	88.1
Eva Downes-CEN	8	710	88.8
Amanda Nigg-COE	7	628	89.7
Stephanie Schwartz-LOR	10	898	89.8
Emily Looft-LUT	7	630	90.0
Jackie Lerdahl-COE	7	631	90.1
Angela Meisterling-COE	5	451	90.2

TEAM SCORING AVERAGE

	Rounds	Strokes	Avg
Wartburg College	7	2324	332.0
Loras College	10	3534	353.4
Luther College	7	2483	354.7
Simpson College	7	2520	360.0
Coe College	7	2548	364.0
Central College	8	3004	375.5
Cornell College	4	1699	424.8
University of Dubuque	5	2289	457.8
Buena Vista University	0	0	0.0

Team-by-Team Results

Buena Vista University

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
N'western (Iowa) Invite	Aug. 31, 2007	1	n/a		71	n/a	Inc.
Wartburg Fall Invitational	Sept. 8-9, 2007	2	n/a	14	93	n/a	Inc.
Luther Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 15, 2007	1	n/a	14	76	n/a	Inc.
Central College Fall Invitational	Sept. 21-22, 2007	2	n/a	1	15	n/a	Inc.

Central College

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
UW-Eau Claire Fall Invite	Sept. 1-2, 2007	2	16	18	109	+195	775
Wartburg Fall Invitational	Sept. 8-9, 2007	2	14	14	93	+174	750
Loras Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 14, 2007	1	5	10	51	+91	375
Luther Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 15, 2007	1	8	14	76	+75	363
Central College Fall Invite	Sept. 21-22, 2007	2	1	1	15	+169	741

Coe College

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
Mount Mercy Invitational	Aug. 31, 2007	1	5	8	46	+98	386
Augustana (Ill.) Triangular	Sept. 1, 2007	1	3	3	16	+75	363
Wartburg Fall Invitational	Sept. 8-9, 2007	2	10	14	93	+121	697
Clarke Invitational	Sept. 11, 2007	1	2	6	41	+95	379
Loras Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 14, 2007	1	6	10	51	+92	376
Luther Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 15, 2007	1	4	14	76	+59	347

Cornell College

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
Mount Mercy Invitational	Aug. 31, 2007	1	n/a	8	46	n/a	Inc.
Wartburg Fall Invitational	Sept. 8-9, 2007	2	n/a	14	93	n/a	Inc.
Loras Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 14, 2007	1	9	10	51	+162	446
Luther Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 15, 2007	1	13	14	76	+142	430
Iowa Wesleyan College Invite	Sept. 21, 2007	1	9	9	49	+122	410
SAU Fighting Bee Classic	Sept. 22, 2007	1	12	13	72	+125	413

University of Dubuque

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
Augustana Fall Classic	Sept. 6, 2007	1	12	12	74	+154	442
Clarke Invitational	Sept. 11, 2007	1	6	6	41	+223	507
Loras Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 14, 2007	1	10	10	51	+166	450
Luther Women's Golf Invite	Sept. 15, 2007	1	14	14	76	+159	447
SAU Fighting Bee Classic	Sept. 22, 2007	1	13	13	72	+155	443

Loras College

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
UW-Eau Claire Fall Invite	Sept. 1-2, 2007	2	13	18	109	+152	732
Wartburg Fall Invitational	Sept. 8-9, 2007	2	5	14	93	+103	679
Clarke Invitational	Sept. 11, 2007	1	1	6	41	+73	357
Loras Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 14, 2007	1	1	10	51	+67	351
2007 IWU Fall Golf Classic	Sept. 15-16, 2007	2	12	21	124	+99	675
Division III Midwest Classic	Sept. 22-23, 2007	2	8	15	80	+172	740

Luther College

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
UW-Eau Claire Fall Invite	Sept. 1-2, 2007	2	12	18	109	+141	721
Wartburg Fall Invitational	Sept. 8-9, 2007	2	8	14	93	+113	689
Luther Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 15, 2007	1	3	14	76	+57	345
Division III Midwest Classic	Sept. 22-23, 2007	2	4	15	80	+160	728

Simpson College

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
Mount Mercy Invitational	Aug. 31, 2007	1	3	8	46	+88	376
Illinois College Invitational	Sept. 1-2, 2007	2	9	12	72	+143	719
Wartburg Fall Invitational	Sept. 8-9, 2007	2	12	14	93	+143	719
Loras Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 14, 2007	1	2	10	51	+74	358
Luther Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 15, 2007	1	5	14	76	+60	348

Wartburg College

Tournament	Dates	Rounds	Place	Teams	Players	+/-	Score
UW-Eau Claire Fall Invite	Sept. 1-2, 2007	2	4	18	109	+88	668
Wartburg Fall Invitational	Sept. 8-9, 2007	2	4	14	93	+78	654
Luther Women's Fall Invite	Sept. 15, 2007	1	1	14	76	+28	316
Division III Midwest Classic	Sept. 22-23, 2007	2	3	15	80	+118	686

Team-by-Team Individual Stroke Averages

Buena Vista University

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low	Par/-	#	Finish Top			Relative	Average
			Round	Rounds	Events	5	10	20	To Par	
Chelsea Anderson	6	503	79	-	4	1	2	3	+12	83.8
Katie Berlin	6	580	90	-	4	-	1	1	+25	96.7
Allison Platt	6	633	99	-	4	-	-	1	+34	105.5

Central College

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low	Par/-	#	Finish Top			Relative	Average
			Round	Rounds	Events	5	10	20	To Par	
Eva Downes	8	710	86	-	5	2	2	2	+17	88.8
Jordan Williams	8	727	89	-	5	1	1	2	+19	90.9
Nicole Wenstrand	6	547	83	-	4	1	1	1	+20	91.2
Amanda Sullivan	2	203	101	-	1	-	1	1	+30	101.5
Meghan Swella	8	816	91	-	5	-	1	1	+30	102.0
Lindsey Ellenson	6	621	100	-	3	-	1	1	+32	103.5
Janelle Stevens	2	214	100	-	1	-	-	1	+36	107.0
Allison Crooks	3	323	104	-	2	-	-	1	+36	107.7
Aimee Crooks	2	217	107	-	2	-	-	-	+37	108.5
Rachel Staman	1	127	127	-	1	-	-	-	+55	127.0
TEAM	8	3004	362	-	5	4	7	10	+88	375.5

Coe College

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low	Par/-	#	Finish Top			Relative	Average
			Round	Rounds	Events	5	10	20	To Par	
Amanda Nigg	7	628	85	-	6	1	2	4	+18	89.7
Jackie Lerdahl	7	631	83	-	6	-	3	4	+18	90.1
Angela Meisterling	5	451	86	-	4	1	1	1	+18	90.2
Caitlin Johnson	7	653	86	-	6	-	1	3	+22	93.3
Ashley Axdahl	7	677	86	-	6	-	-	2	+25	96.7
TEAM	7	2548	345	-	6	2	7	14	+77	364.0

Cornell College

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low	Par/-	#	Finish Top			Relative	Average
			Round	Rounds	Events	5	10	20	To Par	
Brittany Szczepanik	7	646	86	-	6	-	-	2	+20	92.3
Amanda Brodin	7	747	96	-	6	-	-	-	+35	106.7
Sarah Vittetoe	7	786	106	-	6	-	-	-	+40	112.3
Hana Cleaveland	4	530	114	-	4	-	-	-	+61	132.5
Ashley Zerjav	2	282	133	-	2	-	-	-	+70	141.0
TEAM	4	1699	410	-	6	-	-	2	+138	424.8

University of Dubuque

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low	Par/-	#	Finish Top			Relative To Par	Average
			Round	Rounds	Events	5	10	20		
Kacie Toomer	5	559	101	-	5	-	-	-	+40	111.8
Emily Frye	5	562	108	-	5	-	-	-	+41	112.4
Ashten Henningson	2	225	112	-	2	-	-	-	+41	112.5
Amber Sulzner	5	570	103	-	5	-	-	-	+42	114.0
Tiffany Sauser	3	362	113	-	3	-	-	-	+49	120.7
Deidrah Kennedy	2	263	129	-	2	-	-	-	+60	131.5
Ashley Hoppenjan	2	279	131	-	2	-	-	-	+68	139.5
TEAM	5	2289	442	-	5	-	-	-	+171	457.8

Loras College

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low	Par/-	#	Finish Top			Relative To Par	Average
			Round	Rounds	Events	5	10	20		
Brooke Davis	10	870	78	-	6	1	3	3	+15	87.0
Amy Kemp	10	875	79	-	6	1	1	3	+16	87.5
Stephanie Schwartz	10	898	83	-	6	1	2	2	+18	89.8
Jackie Kieffer	10	931	88	-	6	-	1	2	+21	93.1
Brittney Davis	9	839	81	-	5	-	1	1	+21	93.2
Brittney Boffeli	6	561	91	-	4	1	1	2	+22	93.5
Bridget Sullivan	1	97	97	-	1	-	-	-	+26	97.0
TEAM	10	3534	332	-	6	4	9	13	+67	353.4

Luther College

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low	Par/-	#	Finish Top			Relative To Par	Average
			Round	Rounds	Events	5	10	20		
Amy Ekland	7	612	82	-	4	-	-	1	+16	87.4
Jenessa Bonikowske	7	615	83	-	4	-	-	-	+16	87.9
Lindsay Thies	7	617	85	-	4	-	-	2	+16	88.1
Emily Looft	7	630	80	-	4	-	-	-	+18	90.0
Kate Barton	3	282	92	-	2	-	-	-	+22	94.0
Ellen Miller	7	675	92	-	4	-	-	-	+25	96.4
Krista Gulstrand	1	97	97	-	1	-	-	-	+25	97.0
Krista Solie	5	485	92	-	3	-	-	-	+25	97.0
Katie Deaver	1	98	98	-	1	-	-	-	+26	98.0
Tess Spindler	1	98	98	-	1	-	-	-	+26	98.0
Andrea Pagh	3	302	96	-	2	-	-	-	+29	100.7
Katie Campbell	1	107	107	-	1	-	-	-	+35	107.0
TEAM	7	2483	344	-	4	-	-	3	+67	354.7

Simpson College

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low	Par/-	#	Finish Top			Relative To Par	Average
			Round	Rounds	Events	5	10	20		
Katie Vaux	7	590	79	-	5	2	3	4	+12	84.3
Noel Triebel	7	607	80	-	5	1	2	3	+15	86.7
Megan Smith	7	637	87	-	5	-	1	2	+19	91.0
Kayla Miller	7	696	92	-	5	-	-	1	+28	99.4
Chelsy Manny	7	741	101	-	5	-	-	-	+34	105.9
TEAM	7	2520	348	-	5	3	6	10	+73	360.0

Wartburg College

Player	Rounds	Strokes	Low Round	Par/- Rounds	# Events	Finish Top			Relative To Par	Average
						5	10	20		
Kate Thompson	7	574	79	-	4	3	3	3	+10	82.0
Daina Deery	7	579	76	-	4	1	3	3	+11	82.7
Stephanie Burns	7	588	78	-	4	1	1	3	+12	84.0
Ellen Rickert	7	598	79	-	4	-	2	2	+14	85.4
Heidi Hesse	2	175	87	-	1	-	-	-	+16	87.5
Jordan Galles	7	617	84	-	4	-	-	1	+16	88.1
Rebecca Lewis	5	464	90	-	3	-	-	-	+21	92.8
Katie Dunn	2	193	94	-	1	-	-	-	+25	96.5
TEAM	7	2324	316	-	4	5	9	12	+45	332.0