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Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	B-T	Ht.	Class	Hometown/Previous School
2	Amy Larson	P-IF	R-R	5-5	Fr.	Portland, Ore./Westside Christian HS
3	Miriam Liesch	IF	R-R	5-8	Jr.	Sublimity, Ore./North Salem HS
7	Cori Wulf	OF	R-R	5-7	Fr.	Salem, Ore./Santiam Christian HS
8	Sarah Jertberg	C-1B	R-R	5-9	Fr.	Klamath Falls, Ore./Henley HS
10	Sherilyn Gerig	C-IF	R-R	5-3	Sr.	Mt. Angel, Ore./John F. Kennedy HS
12	Brittany Baird	3B	R-R	5-8	Jr.	Lincoln City, Ore./Taft HS
14	Beth Davis	P-IF	B-R	5-11	Sr.	Salem, Ore./Salem Academy
15	Jill Bohlander	OF	R-R	5-4	Jr.	Beaverton, Ore./Westview HS
20	Anita Orłowski	OF	R-R	5-6	So.	Banks, Ore./Banks HS
21	Natalie Ashley	1B	R-R	5-7	So.	West Linn, Ore./West Linn HS
24	Kelsey Bates	OF	R-R	5-7	Fr.	Stayton, Ore./Stayton HS
28	Laura Steenson	P	R-R	5-5	Fr.	Milwaukie, Ore./Central Catholic HS
—	Rachel Camp	P/1B	R-R	5-5	Sr.	Hubbard, Ore./North Marion HS

Head Coach: Chris Gross Assistant Coach: Angie Dahlgren Volunteer Assistant: Becky Richmond

George Fox University Softball Quick Facts

University Information

Location:	Newberg, Oregon
Founded:	1891
Denominational Affiliation:	Evangelical Friends (Quaker)
Enrollment:	2,432
President:	Dr. David Brandt
Faculty Athletic Rep:	Diane Wood
Switchboard Phone:	(503) 538-8383

Athletics Information

Nickname:	Bruins
Colors:	Navy Blue & Old Gold
National Affiliation:	NCAA Division III
Conference:	Northwest Conference
Director of Athletics:	Craig Taylor
Office Phone:	(503) 554-2911
Athletics Secretary:	Patty Findley
Office Phone:	(503) 554-2910
Athletics Trainer:	Dale Isaak
Office Phone:	(503) 554-2916
Athletics FAX:	(503) 554-3864

Coaching Staff

Head Coach:	Chris Gross (George Fox '87)
Record at GFU:	100-110-2, 7 years
Overall Record:	100-110-2, 7 years
Office Phone:	(503) 554-2921
Assistant Coach:	Angie Dahlgren
Volunteer Coach:	Becky Richmond

Team Information

Home Field (capacity):	Morse Field (100)
1999 Record:	17-18 (NWC 9-9, 6th)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost:	7/4
Starting Lineup Returning/Lost:	5/4
Starting Pitchers Returning/Lost:	1/1

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On the cover: Sherilyn Gerig
Small photo: Brittany Baird

Outlook

“Pitching...Could Take Us Places”

Bruins to rely on pitching strength to offset lack of experience

A “youth movement” is under way for the George Fox University softball team as the 2000 spring season approaches, a situation that has head coach Chris Gross unsure of what her Bruins may accomplish during the 2000 campaign.

“We have lots of freshmen and very few upperclassmen,” notes Gross, beginning her eighth season at the Bruins’ helm. “We lost most of our hitting, but we do have pitching—pitching that could take us places if the rest of the lineup comes around.”

Righthander **Beth Davis (Sr., Salem, Ore.)**, a First Team All-Northwest Conference selection, returns to the hill for the Bruins, bringing a 10-8 record with a 3.39 earned run average and team-leading numbers in complete games (13), innings (115.2), and strikeouts (58). She also hit .395 and led the team in triples (6) and stolen bases (13) while playing a steady shortstop. “Beth is a four-year veteran who does a great job wherever she plays, and is a very dominating presence on the mound because she’s so tall,” says Gross.

Expected to step in as the No. 2 pitcher is rookie righty **Laura Steenson (Fr., Milwaukie, Ore.)**. “Laura comes to us from the excellent program at Central Catholic and has plenty of experience in the very competitive ASA program, so we expect her to step right in for us on the hill, as well as playing some infield,” Gross predicts.

Two key returning players for the Bruins will be left fielder **Anita Orłowski (So., Banks, Ore.)** and versatile **Sherilyn Gerig (Sr., Mt. Angel, Ore.)**. Orłowski hit .342 with a team-leading three home runs, while Gerig played everywhere but first and third



Beth Davis

and hit .305. “Anita is explosive and smooth at bat with excellent hand-to-eye coordination,” Gross says of her Honorable Mention All-NWC flychaser, “while Sherilyn is a good thinker and organizer behind the plate who can throw out anyone.”

Cori Wulf (Fr., Salem, Ore.) is expected to step into the starting spot in center field and will see occasional duty at shortstop. “Cori brings us an enthusiastic, energetic attitude that rubs off on people; she’s very relaxed and can take the edge off of any tough situation,” says Gross. **Kelsey Bates (Fr. Stayton, Ore.)**, who “is a lot like Cori in enthusiasm, and is fundamentally sound with a good work ethic,” is projected as the starting right fielder.

The team’s top hitter, first baseman Rebecca Dean (.414, 12 stolen bases) is

gone, replaced by **Sarah Jertberg (Fr., Klamath Falls, Ore.)**, who may also do some catching. “Sarah has quick reactions in scooping throws at first or handling Davis’ spin and movement on the ball behind the plate,” Gross observes. Also getting a look at first will be **Natalie Ashley (So., West Linn, Ore.)**, who can handle outfield duties as well.

Brittany Baird (Jr., Lincoln City, Ore.) returns as the starter at third after hitting .234 with 19 RBI. **Amy Larson (Fr., Portland, Ore.)** is expected to take over at second base, providing she has suitably recovered from a leg injury that hampered her during the junior varsity basketball season.

“Our roster is rather limited this season, and as a result, everyone is going to be asked to fill many roles, to fit in wherever there is a need on a particular day,” says Gross. “But the team has come together well and understands the necessity of ‘flexibility.’ We should be able to hold our own this season, although our hitting is questionable. Our conference is very competitive — PLU is always strong, UPS had a great year and I expect the same because their pitchers are great. Linfield is always among the frontrunners — but there are always some surprises, and maybe we’ll be one.”

“The main thing this team must develop is each player having confidence in herself and in one another, because we are going to be very young.”

1999 Review

Life on the Edge...

Bruins fall just short in bid to make Northwest Conference playoffs

For the second straight season, the George Fox University Bruins were stymied in their bid to make the Northwest Conference playoffs, and just like the year before, they were oh! so close!

After going 6-5 in two pre-conference tournaments to open the season, the Bruins got off to a red-hot start in league play, racing out to a 7-2 record. An extra-inning loss at Seattle University cooled off the Bruins, however, and the team dropped six in a row before snapping the skid with a home win over Willamette. The Bruins never regained the lost momentum, however, and despite winning the final two games of the season at Willamette, finished in sixth place at 11-13, one game out of a playoff spot. Their overall record was 17-18.

The season finale, a 6-0 shutout by Beth Davis at Willamette, gave Bruins head coach Chris Gross, in her seventh season, her 100th career win, and enabled Davis to reach double figures in victories for the third time in three



Honorable Mention All-Conference infielder
Rebecca Dean

years. Davis' 10-8 record and .395 batting averaged with a team-record six triples earned her First Team All-Conference honors.

Another First Team All-NWC selection was Rachel Camp, who had a break-through year at the plate with a .412 average, a team-leading 28 RBI, and a school-record 15 doubles. She also posted a 7-10 record on the mound and led the team in earned run average (3.38).

Honorable Mention All-Conference nods went to first baseman Rebecca Dean, who led the Bruins with a .414 average and 48 hits, and freshman slugger Anita Orlovski, whose .342 average included a team-high three home runs.



Honorable Mention All-Conference outfielder
Anita Orlovski

1999-2000 Players Returning/Leaving

Players Returning

Beth Davis	P-IF	Sr.	.395 BA, 22 RBI, 6 3B, 13 SB	All-NWC 1st Team 1999
Anita Orlovski	OF	So.	.342 BA, 3 HR, 23 RBI, 7 2B	All-NWC HM 1999
Sherilyn Gerig	C-IF	Sr.	.305 BA, 20 RBI, 4 2B	
Brittany Baird	3B	Jr.	.234 BA, 19 RBI, 6 2B	
Rachel Camp	1B-P	Sr.	.412, 28 RBI, 15 2B / 7-10, 3.38 ERA	All-NWC 1st Team 1999
Miriam Liesch	IF	Sr.	.309, 12 RBI, 4 SB	

Top Returning Pitchers

Beth Davis	RHP	Sr.	10-8, 3.39 ERA, 115.2 IP, 58 SO, 13 CG	All-NWC 1st Team 1999
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Key Losses

Rebecca Dean	1B		.414, 19 RBI, 6 2B, 12 SB	All-NWC HM 1999
Jennifer Kennedy			.277, 9 RBI, 19 R	
Ellen Sickler			.214, 17 RBI, 7 2B, 21 R	

Top Newcomers

Laura Steenson	RHP	Fr.	Central Catholic HS, Milwaukie, Ore.
Cori Wulf	OF	Fr.	Santiam Christian HS, Salem, Ore.
Kelsey Bates	OF	Fr.	Stayton HS, Stayton, Ore.
Sarah Jertberg	C-1B	Fr.	Henley HS, Klamath Falls, Ore.

1999 Softball Pitching Statistics

PLAYER	ERA	W-L	SV	G-S	CG	Sh/C	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	AB	Avg	WP	HB	BK	PkO
Rachel Camp	3.38	7-10	0	20-18	10	0/0	107.2	147	90	52	9	21	7	478	.308	0	1	0	0
Beth Davis	3.39	10-8	0	23-17	13	1/0	115.2	117	100	56	47	58	1	487	.240	11	8	0	0
Courtney Johnson	0.00	0-0	0	1-0	0	0/0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0
Anita Orlovski	7.88	0-0	0	3-0	0	0/0	5.1	8	9	6	7	0	1	25	.320	2	1	0	0
Rebecca Dean	10.50	0-0	0	2-0	0	0/0	2.0	2	3	3	7	2	1	6	.333	3	0	2	0
George Fox	3.55	17-18	0	35	23	1/0	230.2	274	202	117	70	81	10	996	.275	16	10	2	0
Opponents	3.86	18-17	0	35	23	0/0	232.1	316	194	128	98	128	5	989	.320	4	8	0	2

1999 Softball Batting Statistics

PLAYER	AVG	G-S	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	OB%	SF	SH	SB-A
Rebecca Dean	.414	35-34	116	27	48	6	2	1	19	61	.526	6	0	6	.439	1	2	12-14
Rachel Camp	.412	31-31	102	13	42	15	1	0	28	59	.578	7	0	6	.450	0	0	0-0
Beth Davis #	.395	35-35	114	30	45	5	6	1	22	65	.570	11	2	19	.457	0	1	13-14
Anita Orlovski	.342	35-35	114	28	39	7	2	3	23	59	.518	6	3	17	.384	2	1	5-6
Miriam Liesch	.309	33-33	94	15	29	3	0	0	12	32	.340	14	1	13	.400	1	3	4-6
Sherilyn Gerig	.305	35-35	118	20	36	4	1	0	20	42	.356	15	0	17	.378	2	4	2-2
Jennifer Kennedy	.277	32-30	83	19	23	2	0	0	9	25	.301	11	0	11	.358	1	4	0-1
Brittany Baird	.234	35-35	107	17	25	6	2	0	19	35	.327	7	2	16	.291	1	5	2-2
Ellen Sickler #	.214	35-35	112	21	24	7	0	0	17	31	.277	15	0	14	.307	0	6	2-3
Rachel Anderson	.222	9-7	18	3	4	0	0	0	3	4	.222	3	0	4	.333	0	1	1-1
Courtney Johnson	.091	10-5	11	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	.091	3	0	5	.286	0	0	0-0
George Fox	.320	35	989	194	316	55	14	5	173	414	.419	98	8	128	.383	8	27	41-49
Opponents	.275	35	996	202	274	42	5	10	156	356	.357	70	10	81	.326	11	26	41-50

LOB - GF 240, Opp 220. PkO - Liesch 5, Dean 2, Kennedy 1, Baird 1, Orlovski 1

bats both



First Team All-Conference infielder Beth Davis

Coaches

A George Fox Fixture...

Chris Gross

Chris Gross begins her eighth season as head softball coach at George Fox University this spring, but she has been a part of the George Fox scene for the past 17 years.

Gross first came to George Fox after earning valedictorian honors in 1983 at Greenleaf Friends Academy in Idaho. She played catcher on the George Fox softball team for four years and was a member of the basketball squad for one season. She graduated in 1987 with a degree in business and economics and joined the George Fox admissions department that year. After two years in undergraduate admissions, she switched to the Department for Continuing Education in 1989.



In 1993, Gross was hired as head softball coach. In her second year,

she guided her team to the 1994 NAIA District 2 and Cascade Conference titles, and was named District 2 Coach of the Year. The team advanced to the regional playoffs and came up one win short of a trip to the NAIA national tournament. She notched her 100th career win as a coach when the Bruins defeated Willamette University 6-0 in the last game of the season last year. Her career record entering the 2000 campaign stands at 100-110-2 in seven seasons, all at George Fox.

In 1995 Gross left her position as director of admissions for continuing education to pursue a Master of Science degree in human performance at Oregon State University. She now works for the JUGGS pitching machine company in addition to coaching, and lives in Newberg.

1999 Softball Results

Overall Record: 17-18 Home: 5-7 Road: 7-7 Neutral: 5-4
Northwest Conference: 11-13 Home: 5-7 Road: 6-6

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	GFU PITCHER OF RECORD
3/5	! Willamette	L	1-5	Camp (0-1)
3/5	! Simon Fraser	L	2-3	Davis (0-1)
3/6	! Pacific	W	6-5	Camp (1-1)
3/6	! Western Oregon	W	6-5	Davis (1-1)
3/6	! Linfield	L	3-7	Camp (1-2)
3/6	! Western Washington	L	5-9	Davis (1-2)
3/19	\$ at Redlands	W	4-3	Camp (2-2)
3/19	\$ Biola	W	6-4	Davis (2-2)
3/19	\$ Nyack	W	9-2	Davis (3-2)
3/20	\$ Nyack	W	5-3	Davis (4-2)
3/20	\$ at Redlands	L	7-17	Davis (4-3)
4/1	* at Lewis & Clark	L	4-5	Davis (4-4)
4/1	* at Lewis & Clark	W	8-4	Camp (3-2)
4/2	* Whitworth	W	8-7 (8)	Camp (4-2)
4/2	* Whitworth	W	8-5	Davis (5-4)
4/6	* Pacific	L	3-5	Camp (4-3)
4/6	* Pacific	W	9-8 (10)	Davis (6-4)
4/8	* at Pacific	W	4-2	Davis (7-4)
4/8	* at Pacific	W	11-5	Camp (5-3)
4/10	* at Seattle	W	8-3	Camp (6-3)
4/10	* at Seattle	L	9-10 (8)	Davis (7-5)
4/11	* at Puget Sound	L	4-5	Camp (6-4)
4/11	* at Puget Sound	L	1-5	Camp (6-5)
4/13	* at Linfield	L	2-4	Camp (6-6)
4/13	* at Linfield	L	8-9	Davis (7-6)
4/14	* Willamette	L	5-6	Camp (6-7)
4/14	* Willamette	W	8-4	Davis (8-6)
4/17	* Pacific Lutheran	L	1-10	Camp (6-8)
4/17	* Pacific Lutheran	L	1-9	Davis (8-7)
4/18	* Lewis & Clark	L	2-4	Camp (6-9)
4/18	* Lewis & Clark	W	11-1	Davis (9-7)
4/24	* Linfield	L	4-8	Camp (6-10)
4/24	* Linfield	L	6-14	Davis (9-8)
4/25	* at Willamette	W	9-6	Camp (7-10)
4/25	* at Willamette	W	6-0	Davis (10-8)

* Northwest Conference games

! Central Washington Tournament, Richland, Wash.

\$ University of Redlands Tournament, Redlands, Calif.

Players

21 Natalie Ashley

First Base • 5-7 • R-R • Sophomore
West Linn, Oregon • West Linn



GEORGE FOX: Expected to get a long look at first base...Also capable of handling the outfield...Line-drive hitter who makes good contact...Will improve with experience.

PERSONAL: Born 8/6/80...Biology major...Daughter of Donald Ashley and Sheri Wahrgren.

24 Kelsey Bates

Outfield • 5-7 • R-R • Freshman
Stayton, Oregon • Stayton HS



GEORGE FOX: Projected starter in right field...One of fastest players on the team and good base stealer...Has sound fundamentals and works hard at all facets of the game...Played JV volleyball for George Fox this past fall.

STAYTON HS: Coached by Jay Lamb at Stayton High...Earned four letters in softball, three in volleyball and two in basketball...Batted .358 as a senior...Second Team All-Capital Conference in both '98 and '99...Most Improved in '96 and '97...Named "Athlete of the Year" as a senior...Stayton's Salutatorian as a senior and placed in school's "Academic Top Ten"...Received "Academic Athlete" honors all four years.

PERSONAL: Born 4/29/81...Elementary education major...Daughter of Steve and Karen Bates...Enjoys running, biking, hiking and photography.

12 Brittany Baird

Third Base • 5-8 • R-R • Junior
Lincoln City, Oregon • Taft HS

Career Stats

Hitting											
Year	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	AVG
1998	34	93	9	19	7	0	0	13	3	9	.204
1999	35	107	17	25	6	2	0	19	7	16	.234
2 yrs	69	200	26	44	13	2	0	32	10	25	.220



GEORGE FOX: Earned starting spot at third as a freshman in '98...Brings good glove and quick reactions defensively to left side of infield...Developing confidence at the plate and should be one of team's most productive hitters this season.

TAFT HS: Coached by Tom

Trunt...Oregon Class 3A Third-Team All-State and First-Team All-Valco League infielder in '97...Second Team All-Valco League infielder in '96.

PERSONAL: Born 3/18/79...Liberal arts major...Daughter of John and Pamela Baird...Enjoys reading and playing sports.



Junior Brittany Baird

15 Jill Bohlander

Outfield • 5-4 • R-R • Junior
Beaverton, Oregon • Westview HS



GEORGE FOX: Last-minute addition to the roster...Did not play her first two years in school...Will provide outfield and pinch-hitting depth.

PERSONAL: Born 4/6/79...Business and economics major...Daughter of Virginia Bohlander.

Players

Rachel Camp

Pitcher-First Base • 5-5 • R-R • Senior
Hubbard, Oregon • North Marion HS

Career Stats

Hitting												
Year	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	AVG	
1997	9	18	2	5	1	0	0	1	1	4	.278	
1998	27	28	3	6	1	0	0	3	0	4	.214	
1999	31	102	13	42	15	1	0	28	7	6	.412	
3 yrs	67	148	18	53	17	1	0	32	8	14	.358	
Pitching												
Year	G	W	L	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	
1997	1	0	0	0	5.1	7	6	2	1	4	2.62	
1998	22	2	9	1	64.0	107	79	51	11	18	5.58	
1999	20	7	10	0	107.2	147	90	52	9	21	3.38	
3 yrs	43	9	19	1	177.0	261	175	105	21	43	4.15	



GEORGE FOX: Rejoined the team at the last minute after planning to sit out this season...Brings much-needed offense to the lineup...Fastest bat speed on the team...Good pitching speed with an assortment of pitches...Emerg-ed as a hitter last year after two seasons of part-time duty and

earned First Team All-Northwest Conference honors...Led team in doubles (school-record 15), RBI (28), and slugging pct. (.578)...On the mound, led team in ERA (3.38) and starts (18).

NORTH MARION HS: Coached by Mark Vanderpool... Oregon Class 3A All-State Third Team pitcher in '96...Team Most Valuable Player...First-Team All-Capital Conference... Honorable Mention All-State and First Team All-Conference in '95.

PERSONAL: Born 12/22/77...Elementary education major...Daughter of Darrel and Kathy Camp...Hobbies include reading.



Rachel Camp

14 Beth Davis

Pitcher-Infield • 5-11 • B-R • Senior
Salem, Oregon • Salem Academy

Career Stats

Hitting												
Year	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	AVG	
1997	31	72	6	11	3	1	0	6	5	7	.153	
1998	36	101	24	39	8	1	3	13	11	13	.386	
1999	35	114	30	45	5	6	1	22	11	19	.395	
3 yrs	102	287	60	95	16	8	4	41	27	39	.331	
Pitching												
Year	G	W	L	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	
1997	21	12	6	0	107.0	86	68	27	30	66	1.77	
1998	31	12	11	0	159.0	128	81	45	55	84	1.98	
1999	23	10	8	0	115.2	117	100	56	47	58	3.39	
3 yrs	75	34	25	0	381.2	331	249	128	132	208	2.35	



GEORGE FOX: Versatile athlete who is equally at home on the mound or at short-stop...Outstanding work ethic and intense competitor...Earned First Team All-Northwest Conference honors last year...Offensively, led the team in runs (30), triples (school-record 6), and stolen

bases (13)...As a pitcher, topped the team in wins (10), complete games (13), innings (115.2), strikeouts (58)...Honorable Mention All-Conference as a sophomore...Led the team in batting (.386), slugging pct. (.574), doubles (8), and home runs (3)...Posted lowest ERA in Northwest Conference (1.77) as a freshman... Starred as a middle blocker on varsity volleyball team, earning Honorable Mention All-American and Academic All-American honors in '99.

SALEM ACADEMY: Coached by Rudy Morrow...1996 Oregon Class 2A Player of the Year...Oregon Class 2A All-State First Team pitcher...First Team All-Tri-River League...23-3 pitching record as senior...Team finished as 1996 state runners-



Beth Davis

up...Was a high school all-state volleyball player.

PERSONAL: Born 6/26/78...History major...Daughter of William and Katrina Davis...Traveled to Zimbabwe during summer of 1998 on a softball/Christian mission...Enjoys reading, doll collecting, friends and outdoor activities.

10 Sherilyn Gerig

Catcher-Infield • 5-3 • R-R • Senior
Mt. Angel, Oregon • Kennedy HS

Career Stats

Hitting												
Year	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	AVG	
1997	4	10	3	3	0	0	0	1	2	1	.300	
1998	34	90	11	19	1	0	0	9	2	11	.211	
1999	35	118	20	36	4	1	0	20	15	17	.305	
3 yrs	73	218	34	58	5	1	0	30	19	29	.266	
Pitching												
Year	G	W	L	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	
1998	3	0	0	0	5.0	1	3	1	5	1	1.40	



GEORGE FOX: Multi-talented player who can play any position on the field...

Fearless leader who will do anything to help the team...Will handle shortstop when Davis pitches...Capable backstop who could start several games behind the plate... Sharpened batting eye and showed dramatic improvement at the plate in '99...Line-drive style hitter who has a knack for getting on base.

KENNEDY HS: Coached by father, Loren Gerig...Oregon Class 2A All-State Honorable Mention infielder and All-Tri-River League First Team as a senior...Won team's Best Defensive and Most Inspirational awards.

PERSONAL: Born 8/16/78...Athletic training major...Daughter of Loren and Patricia Gerig.



Sherilyn Gerig

8 Sarah Jertberg

Catcher-First Base • 5-9 • R-R • Freshman
Klamath Falls, Oregon • Henley HS



GEORGE FOX: A top candidate for starting position at either first base or catcher...Excellent at first on throws in the dirt...Multi-sport athlete who also plays varsity volleyball for Bruins.

HENLEY HS: Played basketball and volleyball and ran track...Four-time Scholar-

Athlete and "Who's Who Among American High School Students"...School valedictorian and won Top Biology Student Award as a senior.

PERSONAL: Born 4/25/81...Biology major...Daughter of Randy and Laura Jertberg...Enjoys guitar, fly fishing, backpacking and snowboarding.

2 Amy Larson

Pitcher-Infield • 5-5 • R-R • Freshman
Portland, Oregon • Westside Christian HS



GEORGE FOX: Vying for starting position at second, but capable of playing any infield spot...Will also see duty as relief pitcher and occasional starter...Recovering from a leg injury that hampered her during junior varsity basketball season.

WESTSIDE CHRISTIAN HS: Coached by Steve Buckelew...Earned four varsity letters in softball and basketball and three in volleyball...Named to 1999 Second Team All-League and played in State 2A All-Star Game in softball...1999 and 1998 team MVP and captain of softball team...Earned 1997 Coaches Award...Named school's Female Athlete of the Year as a senior...Four-year West Valley League Scholar Athlete...OSAA Scholar Athlete in senior year... Member of National Honor Society...Awarded Air Force ROTC Scholarship.

PERSONAL: Born 1/26/81...Pre-med major...Daughter of Larry and Marcia Larson...Enjoys basketball, volleyball and writing.

Players

3 Miriam Liesch

Infield • 5-8 • R-R • Junior
Sublimity, Oregon • North Salem HS

Career Stats

Hitting

Year	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	AVG
1998	35	80	10	16	3	0	0	11	5	11	.200
1999	33	94	15	29	3	0	0	12	14	13	.309
2 yrs	68	174	25	45	6	0	0	23	19	24	.259



GEORGE FOX: Another returning starter who rejoined the team at the last minute after planning to sit out the year...Can handle any of the infield positions...Best fundamental swing on team and has a good eye at the plate...Could be ready for a breakthrough season after raising average 109

points last year.

NORTH SALEM HS: Coached by Nikki Binnie...Second-Team all-Valley League as a center fielder in '97...Also All-League Honorable Mention in volleyball...Salem Breakfast Club Athlete of the Week.

PERSONAL: Born 5/26/79...Biology/pre-med major... Daughter of Jim and Barbara Liesch...Hobbies include water and snow skiing, boating and reading.



Anita Orlowski

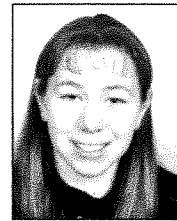
20 Anita Orlowski

Outfield • 5-6 • R-R • Sophomore
Banks, Oregon • Banks HS

Career Stats

Hitting

Year	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	AVG
1999	35	114	28	39	7	2	3	23	6	17	.342



GEORGE FOX: Most powerful bat on the team...Explosive and smooth with excellent hand-to-eye coordination...Burst onto the scene as a freshman and earned Honorable Mention All-Northwest Conference honors...Led the team in home runs (3)... Expected to bat clean-up while holding

down the left field starting job.

BANKS HS: Coached by Jerry Mettee...Earned three softball letters, two in volleyball and basketball...Three-time Oregon 3A All-State selection...Named team's Best Offensive Player as a sophomore...Helped team to Cowapa League co-title in '96...Member of National Honor Society.

PERSONAL: Born 1/10/81...Biology/nursing major... Daughter of Robert and Pamela Orlowski... Enjoys reading and working in spare time.

28 Laura Steenson

Pitcher • 5-5 • R-R • Freshman
Milwaukie, Oregon • Central Catholic HS



GEORGE FOX: Will jump in immediately as No. 2 starting pitcher behind staff ace Beth Davis...Has good stuff on pitches and excellent control with few walks...Comes from a strong high school program and has plenty of experience in a very competitive ASA program...Can fill in on the infield if necessary.

CENTRAL CATHOLIC HS: Coached by Ron Windes... Earned three varsity letters...Hurled team to Mt. Hood Conference and Oregon State 4A championships in '99.

PERSONAL: Born 1/4/81...Psychology major...Daughter of Bob and Rosie Steenson...Father played football at Willamette...Enjoys reading and writing.

7 Cori Wulf

Outfield • 5-7 • R-R • Freshman
Salem, Oregon • Santiam Christian HS



GEORGE FOX: Expected to take over starting spot in center field...Can also handle infield duty when needed...An enthusiastic player who leads by hustling example...Good fielder with quick bat and good speed on the bases...Candidate for lead-off role in the order...All-around athlete who

was starting goalkeeper on Bruins' soccer team in the fall.

SANTIAM CHRISTIAN HS: Coached by Bill Ford...Earned four varsity letters...Oregon 2A All-State First Team as a senior...also lettered in soccer...Named an SCHS Scholar-Athlete...Member of National Honor Society...Named to "Who's Who in American High Schools."

PERSONAL: Born 8/14/81...Undecided on major...Daughter of Paul and Cheri Wulf...Father played tennis at Oregon State...Enjoys ping pong, tennis and going to the beach.

Background on the Bruin Nickname

George Fox's Bruin nickname comes from a real bear captured in 1887 just two years after Pacific Academy (the University's predecessor) was established. The small cub was found in the Coast Range foothills west of Carlton when its mother was shot. The young cub was brought to campus by a student and



later lived with a faculty member.

When it grew to adulthood, it was kept in a pit in Hess Creek Canyon south of the campus. It escaped one too many times and was turned into steak for the dining table and the hide preserved on a frame and displayed in an early campus museum. When the hide

deteriorated several years later, it was taken to a campus furnace room to be destroyed, but the framework proved a problem in dismantling so it was left sitting in a corner.

Students found the old Bruin skin later and began skirmishes over ownership, a tradition that continues today. "Bruin Junior," a replica, under a set of guidelines passed down for years, is fought over periodically in class competition, with the class able to physically drag the Bruin replica off campus declared the rightful owner until next "flashed."

Even with the Bruin tradition, somewhere along the line, the "Quaker" tag for athletic teams came into popularity with sportswriters because of the University's church affiliation, and that nickname was used, along with the mascot "Foxy George," a little fox with a Quaker hat. Both gained acceptance for a period in the 1950s and 1960s until a vote of faculty, students and administration in 1970 reinstated the Bruin nickname to its rightful place.

Athletic Support Staff

Athletic Director

Craig Taylor

Taylor is in his 12th year as George Fox University athletics director, but he has been associated with the Bruins for 26 years as player, coach, and professor. Taylor, 48, first came to George Fox in 1971 as a junior forward for the men's basketball team. In 1972-73, he helped the Bruins to their first-ever NAIA District 2 title.

Taylor graduated from George Fox in 1974, receiving honors as the Outstanding Man in Teacher Education and Outstanding Physical Education Major. He received a master of science degree in education from Linfield College in 1975. While enrolled in graduate courses, he was a George Fox residence hall director.

From 1976 to '79, Taylor was the Bruins baseball coach while also serving as assistant basketball coach. He worked at a sporting goods retailing firm from 1979 to '81, but returned to George Fox as coach of the women's basketball team from 1981 to '93, producing a 162-155 record. He also coached the softball team from 1981 to '88 and again in 1990, compiling a 77-99-1 record, and in 1985 he was named NAIA District 2 Coach of the Year.

At George Fox, Taylor is responsible for athletic department functions, including eligibility and compliance with George Fox, Northwest Conference, and NCAA regulations; budgeting; and department and sports center management. In 1992 he was named NAIA District 2 Administrator of the Year.

Taylor has three children: Leah, 25; Bree, 20, who plays volleyball for the Bruins; and Casey, 10. He and his wife, Kathy, live in McMinnville.

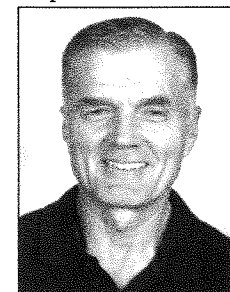


degree in physical education/athletic training from Indiana State University and a master of education in physical education from the University of Minnesota. He and his wife, Marin, live in Wilsonville.

Assistant Trainer

Byron Shenk

Shenk serves as George Fox's assistant trainer, but that is just one of the many duties he has handled since coming to the University in 1990. He serves as chairperson of the Department of Health and Human



Performance, where he also teaches as associate professor. He earned a national meritorious service award from the National

Christian College Athletic Association for previous service and leadership.

Shenk has also coached George Fox's nine-year-old varsity women's soccer team from its infancy. In 1998 he was named Northwest Conference Coach of the Year.

Shenk holds an undergraduate degree from Goshen College, a master's from the University of Oregon, and a doctorate in education from the University of Virginia. He and his wife, Ina, live in McMinnville, where he is active in the Mennonite church.

Head Trainer

Dale Isaak

Isaak joined the George Fox staff in 1995 as head trainer and assistant professor in the Health and Human



Performance Department. He previously was the head athletic trainer for Hopkins High School in Minnetonka, Minn., and

athletic trainer for the Institute for Athletic Medicine in Minneapolis.

Isaak, a 1990 graduate of Willamette University, also holds a master of science



1999-2000 Athletic Training Staff

Front row (l-r): Sherilyn Gerig, Julie L. Smith, Erin Hatch, Lisa Schare, Jennifer Kennedy, Stefani Shindler.

Second row (l-r): Lindsay Walker, Valerie Potts, Andriana Sharpe, Lisa Bauman, Heather Cramer, Jaliene Hollabaugh, Byron Shenk.

Back row (l-r): Jennifer Adams, Brian Newman, Jonathan Huwe, Ben Baarspul, Andrew Fodge, Dale Isaak.

Sports Information Director

Blair Cash

Cash is in his first year as sports information director at George Fox University, replacing seven-year SID Rob Felton, who is now in the graduate program in strategic public relations at



Sports Information Director Blair Cash, seated, with assistants (left to right) Bryan Williford, John Felton and Brian Durick

the University of Southern California.

Cash brings to the Newberg campus a varied background in athletics, including a total of 18 seasons in sports information work. He was SID at Belhaven College, the University of Montevallo, and the University of South Alabama from 1972 to '83, and was a volunteer in the sports information office at the University of Texas-Pan American from 1989 to '94. After several years in Christian ministry, he returned to the sports information field a year ago with

a short stint as an assistant SID at Southwest Texas State University and six months as SID at Samford University.

Cash has served as information director for the NAIA's District 27, the Southern States Conference, and the Mississippi Soccer Association. He has been a sportswriter for the Clarion-

Ledger/Jackson (Miss.) Daily News and Natchez (Miss.) Democrat daily papers, and an official scorer for the Jackson Generals, the Birmingham Barons, and the Southeastern Conference Baseball Tournament.

Cash, 46, is a 1976 graduate of Belhaven and a 1987 graduate of Reformed Theological Seminary, with master's degrees in divinity and Christian education. An ordained minister in the

Presbyterian Church USA, he has pastored churches in Edinburg, Texas, and Natchez, Miss. He and his wife, Debbie, have two children, Milton, 8, and Megan, 5.

Sports Information Assistants

Brian Durick, Jr., Roseburg, Ore.
John Felton, So., Hillsboro, Ore.
Bryan Williford, Fr., Eugene, Ore.

About the University

George Fox is growing in size and reputation. Enrollment has nearly quadrupled in the last 14 years, increasing from 549 in 1986 to 2,432 in the fall of 1999.

In the same time span, George Fox has been named one of "America's Best Colleges" 12 times by *U.S. News & World Report*. In 1999, George Fox ranked second overall and third in academic reputation among Western regional liberal arts colleges. The magazine also named the University one of the region's best values among schools in its category.

George Fox offers unique programs to its students. Every incoming freshman is given a computer to use and keep upon graduation. When students reach their third year, they are eligible for the Juniors Abroad program, in which the University pays transportation costs for an overseas study tour.

Early Willamette Valley Quaker settlers established Friends Pacific Academy in 1885. The college division was organized in 1891 to provide more advanced instruction. In 1949, because of the many colleges in the Northwest with "Pacific" in their name, Pacific College was renamed George Fox College in honor of the founder of the Friends (Quaker) Church.

In 1996, with the addition of Western Evangelical Seminary, George Fox became a university, offering students a Christ-centered education and the choice of 42 undergraduate majors and 12 graduate degrees. On Jan. 1, 2000, the seminary name changed to George Fox Evangelical Seminary.

George Fox's most prominent alumnus is the late President Herbert Hoover, who attended the academy.

Accolades

Individual Awards



Beth Davis

Pam Sturzinger	1977
First Team Women's Conference of Independent Colleges	
Sharla Barnett	1977
First Team WCIC	
Shelly Webster	1978
First Team WCIC	
Joanie Snyder	1978
First Team WCIC	
Lois Hantho	1978
Honorable Mention WCIC	
Joan Wester	1978
Honorable Mention WCIC	
Kelly Davidson	1978
Honorable Mention WCIC	
Karen Roth	1981
Honorable Mention WCIC	
Denise Iverson	1981
Honorable Mention WCIC	
Julie Cruise	1982
Second Team WCIC	
Laura Fritts	1983
First Team WCIC	
Diane Walter	1983
First Team WCIC	
First Team NAIA District 2	1985; '86

DeAnna Aarhus	1985; '86; '87
First Team NAIA District 2	
Andrea Marthaller	1987
First Team NAIA District 2	
Becky Stewart	1991; '94
First Team NAIA District 2	
NAIA District 2 Tournament Most Valuable Pitcher	1994
NAIA District 2 Player of the Year	1994
First Team Cascade Conference	1994
Heidi Rettig	April 2, 1991
Pitched first perfect game in GFC history	
Traci Blair	1992; '93
First Team NAIA District 2	
First Team Cascade Conference	1993
NAIA District 2 Tournament Most Valuable Player	1994
Toni Owens	1993; '94
First Team NAIA District 2	
First Team Cascade Conference	1993; '94
NAIA District 2 Tournament Most Valuable Hitter	1994



Becky Stewart

Brandy Price	1993
First Team Cascade Conference	
Angie Jordan	1994
First Team Cascade Conference	
Honorable Mention Cascade Conference	1995
Jeanette Jacobson	1994
First Team Cascade Conference	
Honorable Mention Cascade Conference	1995



Mary Butts

Sarah Swanson	1995
First Team Cascade Conference	
Melanie Parker	1995
First Team Cascade Conference	
Allison Vaubel	1995
Honorable Mention Cascade Conference	
Cascade Conference Player of the Week	April 24, 1995
Sharka Vokel	1997
Northwest Conference Honorable Mention	
Coby Van der Meer	1997
Northwest Conference Honorable Mention	
Mary Butts	1998
Honorable Mention Northwest Conference	
Beth Davis	1998
Northwest Conference Pitcher of the Week	April 28, 1998
Honorable Mention Northwest Conference	1998
First Team Northwest Conference	1999
Beth Kellogg	1998
Honorable Mention Northwest Conference	
Rachel Camp	1999
Northwest Conference Player of the Week	April 27, 1999
First Team Northwest Conference	
Rebecca Dean	1999
Honorable Mention Northwest Conference	
Anita Orlowski	1999
Honorable Mention Northwest Conference	

George Fox University
Bruin Athletics

Intercollegiate athletics are an important part of George Fox University, home to one of the Northwest's most successful small-college sports programs. Winning programs, however, are accompanied by a proper balance between academics and athletics: George Fox teams are members of the Northwest Conference and compete in Division III of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, in which need and academic ability, not athleticism, determine scholarships and financial aid.

At George Fox University, intercollegiate athletic competition provides a practical application of what is learned in classrooms and practices. Student-athletes compete for conference and national titles at a Christ-centered university where professors and coaches help them grow in mind, body and spirit. The values of athletics are integrated with the goals of Christian higher education in a process that includes

- physical conditioning
- managing emotions
- courage
- teamwork
- cooperation
- being gracious in winning and losing

More than 15 percent of George Fox's traditional undergraduate students participate in the school's 13 varsity sports, seven for women and six for men. Their records over the years serve as shining testimonies to the administration's conviction that an institution can play for the glory of God, follow the rules and ethics of its governing organizations, and be successful on the fields and courts of competition. Consider that:

- George Fox has earned district or conference titles in nine sports during the 1990s.
- George Fox athletes have earned more than 250 All-American and All-American Scholar-Athlete honors.
- Nine of the 11 coaches on staff have been named district or conference Coach of the Year at least once.
- George Fox coaches have held their positions for an average of nearly eight years, and together have accumulated more than 1,000 collegiate wins.



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2000 Softball Schedule

March

Central Washington Tournament			
3	Friday	Pacific Lutheran University	Richland, Wash. 2:00 p.m.
3	Friday	Linfield College	Richland, Wash. 4:00 p.m.
4	Saturday	Whitworth College	Richland, Wash. 10:00 a.m.
5	Sunday	University of Puget Sound	Richland, Wash. 12:00 noon

11	Saturday	*at Linfield College (2)	McMinnville, Ore. 1:00 p.m.
12	Sunday	*at Linfield College	McMinnville, Ore. 1:00 p.m.

University of Redlands Tournament			
17	Friday	University of Redlands	Redlands, Calif. 10:00 a.m.
17	Friday	Biola University	Redlands, Calif. 12:00 noon
17	Friday	University of Redlands	Redlands, Calif. 4:00 p.m.
18	Saturday	Biola University	Redlands, Calif. 9:00 a.m.
18	Saturday	2nd Seed vs. 3rd Seed	Redlands, Calif. 11:00 a.m.
18	Saturday	Championship Game	Redlands, Calif. 1:00 p.m.

25	Saturday	* University of Puget Sound (2)	Newberg, Ore. 1:00 p.m.
26	Sunday	* University of Puget Sound (2)	Newberg, Ore. 1:00 p.m.

April

1	Saturday	* Pacific University (2)	Newberg, Ore. 1:00 p.m.
2	Sunday	* Pacific University	Newberg, Ore. 1:00 p.m.
6	Thursday	*at Lewis & Clark College	Portland, Ore. 3:30 p.m.
8	Saturday	*at Pacific Lutheran University (2)	Tacoma, Wash. 2:00 p.m.
9	Sunday	*at Pacific Lutheran University	Tacoma, Wash. 12:00 noon
13	Thursday	*at Lewis & Clark College (2)	Portland, Ore. 2:00 p.m.
15	Saturday	*at Whitworth College (2)	Spokane, Wash. 12:00 noon
16	Sunday	*at Whitworth College (2)	Spokane, Wash. 12:00 noon
21	Friday	* Willamette University (2)	Newberg, Ore. 3:00 p.m.
22	Saturday	* Willamette University	Newberg, Ore. 3:00 p.m.

May

12-15	Fri.-Mon.	NCAA Division III Playoffs, First Rounds	On-campus sites TBA
18-22	Thurs.-Mon.	NCAA Division III National Championship	Salem, Va. TBA

Home games played at Morse Athletic Field

*Northwest Conference game

