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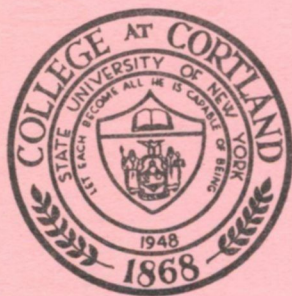
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Cortland State Women's Softball



STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
COLLEGE AT CORTLAND
CORTLAND, N.Y. 13045

Founded - 1868

Enrollment - Undergraduate 4,560, Graduate 900

Colors - Red and White

Nickname - Red Dragons

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CORTLAND STATE WOMEN'S SOFTBALL 1977

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Head Coach Sally Wallace

Sally Wallace brings an impressive 85-14 (85%) record into her ninth season as women's softball coach at Cortland. Wallace, who has been at the helm since softball's inception at the College in 1968, has led her teams to second place in the last three softball tournaments sponsored by the New York State Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women.

A Rochester native, Wallace received B.S. and M.S. degrees at Cortland. As an athlete, she participated in basketball, softball and swimming.

Before returning to her Alma Mater in 1959 Wallace taught at the Junior-Senior High School in Bath, N.Y., and at the Junior-Senior High School at Painted Post, N.Y.

An assistant professor of physical education at Cortland, Wallace also has served the women's intercollegiate sports program as golf coach (3 years), basketball coach (5 years), and swimming coach (1year).

Wallace conducted the first and second New York State softball tournaments during the early seventies. She also has participated in softball and basketball clinics.

Softball Outlook

Versatility and a wealth of talent, including ten returning veterans, gives Coach Sally Wallace an optimistic outlook regarding this year's tough softball schedule. Wallace says that the players are spirited and they have

their goals well in mind. She will be relying on the seven returning seniors for leadership.

One of the seniors is pitcher Joanne Poppenberg, last year's leading hurler for the Lady Dragons with a 0.82 ERA. Poppenberg earned an 8-2 record, allowing 40 hits in her ten games pitched while striking out 37.

Catcher Bette Schneider also is in her fourth year and will continue to work behind the plate where she has done an exceptional job.

The infield probably will include two seniors, Sue Klinger at second and Nancy Weldon at first. According to Wallace, both players have quick reactions and a good arm. Weldon is returning to the team after a year layoff for student teaching and is expected to strengthen the team's power at the plate.

The remaining three seniors will be seeing action in the outfield. In right field will be Pat Bowman, who was second last year in RBIs with 20. In center field will be Bonnie May and Joan Bellissimo will be back in left field.

The other three veterans are sophomores Lori Slaght, Deb Pallozzi and Sue Hillenbrand. Slaght led the team last year in hits with 23 and runs scored with 25. She will probably be at third this season. Pallozzi will join Poppenberg on the mound for Cortland. She had a 7-0 record last year and an ERA of 1.46. Hillenbrand saw limited action in her rookie season due to a knee injury but is completely recovered and will probably play first base this year.

There are two juniors on the team playing

1977 CORTLAND SOFTBALL ROSTER

<u>Player</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>High School</u>
Bellissimo, Joan	OF	Sr	Wilmington, Mass.	Wilmington
Bowman, Patricia	OF	Sr	Red Hook	Red Hook
Cronin, Linda	SS	Fr	Saint James	Smithtown
Eberle, Patricia	INF	So	Delmar	Bethlehem Central
4 Hays, Julie	C	Fr	Lewiston	Lewiston Porter
Hillenbrand, Suzanne	1B	So	Endicott	Union Endicott
Klinger, Susan	2B	Sr	Buffalo	Archbishop Carroll
May, Bonnie	OF	Sr	Wappingers Falls	Poughkeepsie
Palozzi, Deborah	P	So	Waterford	Waterford-Hamilton
Poppenberg, Joanne	P	Sr	Hamburg	Hamburg

Schneider, Bette	C	Sr	Johnson City	Johnson City
Slaght, Lori	3B	So	Ithaca	Ithaca
Smith, Cynthia	P	Jr	Endwell	Maine Endwell
Solano, Kathy	SS	Jr	Patchogue	Patchogue-Medford
5 Weldon, Nancy	1B	Sr	Smithtown	Smithtown East
Weschler, Janet	INF	So	Massapequa	Alfred G. Berner

Coach: Sally Wallace

Managers: JoAnn Sartorius, Bayside, N.Y., Barbara Lee, Hamburg, N.Y.

Trainer: Deborah Connell, Scottsville, N.Y.

their first year of ball for Cortland. Kathy Solano will be a probable starter at shortstop, but the hustling fielder also could play first, third or the outfield if needed. Junior transfer Cindy Smith will alternate pitching duties with Poppenburg and Pallozzi. She also could play outfield, if needed, but pitching will be her primary responsibility.

Two rookie sophomores who Wallace expects to see plenty of action are Pat Eberle and Janet Wecshler. Both are very versatile, but Pat is expected to play at shortstop and Janet at third base.

There are two outstanding freshmen that round out the team. Julie Hays will share the catching duties with Schneider and Linda Cronin will be available for infield duties when needed.

1977 Cortland Softball Schedule

April	14	Oswego*	H 3:00
	15	Adelphi	H 3:30
	16	Penn State*	H 10:00
	18	E. Stroudsburg*	A 3:30
	23-24	Brooklyn w/Lehman and Oneonta	A
	27	Ithaca*	A 3:00
	30	Brockport*	A 3:00
May	2	Oneonta	A 3:30
	4	Oswego*	A 3:00
	6-7	NYSIAW Tournament at Lehman College	

* Doubleheader

1976 Softball Results

Wins 15, Losses 2

<u>Cort.</u>		<u>Opp.</u>
3	Penn State	0
5	Penn State	4
1	E. Stroudsburg	2-
6	E. Stroudsburg	2
35	Oneonta	0
7	Oneonta	2
25	Brooklyn	8
11	Lehman	3
12	Oswego	2
14	Oswego	2
9	Ithaca	0
4	Ithaca	2
10	Adelphi	0
7	Adelphi	0
16	Lehman*	3
5	Adelphi*	4
0	Brockport*	3-

*NYSIAW

Individual Batting

<u>Player</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>AVE.</u>
Dawn Forster	16	54	13	23	14	.426
Selinda Staples	7	19	7	8	7	.421
Lori Slaght	17	57	25	23	12	.404
Laurel Sue Smith	10	26	10	10	11	.385
Joanne Poppenberg	10	34	10	13	10	.382
Debbie DuBois	15	51	22	19	23	.373
Sue Klinger	13	35	11	12	10	.343
Pat Bowman	17	59	20	20	20	.339
Joan Bellissimo	12	27	7	7	7	.259
Michele Lalancette	13	32	4	8	10	.250
Bonnie May	9	25	6	6	7	.240
Bette Schneider	16	47	17	10	6	.213
Sue Hillenbrand	3	5	1	1	2	.200
Deb Pallozzi	9	25	2	2	1	.080

Individual Pitching

<u>Player</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>K</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>ERA</u>
Joanne Poppenberg	10	69	40	27	37	8	2	0.82
Deb Pallozzi	7	48	49	21	15	7	0	1.46
Dawn Forster	1	3	3	3	1	0	0	2.33

