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BRENDA FRESE

HEAD COACH • ARIZONA '93

FOURTH YEAR AT MARYLAND

SEVENTH YEAR AS A HEAD COACH

Head coach Brenda Frese was exactly what the University of Maryland Athletics Director Deborah A. Yow was looking for to resurrect a struggling women's basketball program which was once one of the premier teams in the nation.

Described as dynamic, overachieving, determined and enthusiastic, the 35-year old coach captured her 100th-career win on Feb. 2 vs. Georgia Tech and has compiled a 107-71 (.601) career record in six seasons as a head coach and three stops along the way. Making amazing turnarounds her calling card, the 2002 *Associated Press* National Coach of the Year has guided Maryland to the most wins since 1992-93, back-to-back non-losing records in ACC play for the first time since 1992-93 and 1993-94, and consecutive NCAA Tournament berths for the first time in 12 years.

While piling up the victories in three seasons in College Park, mentoring the Terps to their first 20-win season since 1993, Frese continues to be a workhorse on the recruiting trails, signing three-straight top 10 classes, including back-to-back classes ranked in the top five. Regarded as one of the top recruiting coaches in the country, her recruiting classes have lived up to their billing. Junior Shay Doron was the first-ever Terrapin to be named to an All-ACC team as a freshman in 2004 and, in 2005, was selected Kodak/WBCA Region II All-American, the first Terp to earn the honor since 1993. 2005 also marked the first time in 14 years a Terrapin had been voted ACC Rookie of the Year when Crystal Langhorne earned the award last year. Langhorne also became the highest-honored freshman in school history when she was selected second team all-conference that same season. The Terps' backcourt of Doron and Kalika France, who was an honorable mention All-ACC selection as a freshman, is considered one of the best in the nation.

Despite a roster with eight freshmen and sophomores, Maryland was picked to finish third in a 2004 preseason ACC media poll, with two Terrapins earning preseason honors, including Langhorne, who was picked Preseason Rookie of the Year, the first time a Terp had received the recognition since the polling began in 1991. Frese's young Terps garnered a top 25 preseason rating in both the *Associated Press* and *ESPN/USA Today* Coaches poll, rising to as high as No. 15 in the AP ranking, the highest since 1992-93. On Jan. 9, 2005, Maryland went on to record one of its biggest victories in school history in over a decade, upsetting No. 5/4 North Carolina at Comcast Center. Reaching the second round of the NCAA Tournament for the second-straight year, Maryland was No. 24 in the season's final Coaches Poll, the first time the Terps have appeared in the final ranking since 1992-93.

With the excitement in College Park running high, a record number of fans came to Comcast Center to watch the Terrapins in 2004-05. Over 71,000 fans were in the stands for 17 home games, 32,000 more than the previous season. An ACC-record 17,243 fans witnessed the Terps take on Duke on Feb. 13, 2005, topping the previous record of 14,500 which was held by the Maryland, as well. The 17,000-plus fans was also the fourth-largest, regular-season crowd in the nation last season.

The proof of the Terrapins' improvement can be found in the numbers. Maryland's 72.8 scoring average ranked in the top 20 in the nation and was also the highest scoring average in team history since 1992-93. The Terps outrebounded its opponents by a margin of 6.8 rebounds per game, 18th-best in the nation and the largest margin in the program's history since 1979-80. The team's 42.4 rpg were also the most in 12 years. The team's No. 7 seed in the 2005 NCAA Tournament was five spots higher than the previous season's No. 12 seeding.

In 2003-04, just her second season at the Terrapin helm, she took Maryland to an unexpected run to the second round of the 2004 NCAA Tournament and their first tournament win in 12 years.

In what was supposed to be the second year of the rebuilding process in 2003-04, Frese instilled confidence into a Maryland squad that went 4-12 in ACC play the season before and was depending on players with limited experience, including two highly touted high school All-Americans in Doron and France. Despite a preseason



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eighth-place pick, the Terps ran out to a third-place tie in the ACC with an 8-8 mark, doubling their conference win total from each of the last two seasons and their best showing in the conference standings since the 1996-97 campaign. Collecting 18 wins overall, the most since 1996-97, Maryland was rewarded with an NCAA Tournament bid, its first since 2000-01, and was the only 12th seed to advance when it upset fifth-seeded and future ACC-opponent Miami, 86-85. At season's end, the Terps received votes in the final Coaches Top 25 poll of the season.

There was a long list of accomplishments for Maryland following the 2003-04 campaign. The Terps reached the ACC Tournament semifinals for the first time since 1998 and nearly defeated top-seeded and five-time conference champion Duke. Maryland averaged a 12.3-point margin of victory in its conference wins, sweeping Wake Forest and Clemson, its first sweep of any ACC team in three years. Statistically, the team improved its scoring, three-point shooting, ending the year ranked 18th in the nation in that category, and free throw percentage. Making nine television appearances on the season, including four national broadcasts, the Terps drew over 13,000 fans to the final home game of the season versus the Blue Devils, then the second-largest crowd in ACC women's basketball history and a Comcast Center record.

Her first season at the Terps' helm was the rebuilding year it was predicted to be. With a roster short on depth but high on effort, Frese led Maryland to a 10-18 record, narrowly missing wins at several junctures. Frese's Terps also notched several positive steps in her first year including: breaking 100 points in a game for the first time since Dec. 28, 1993, winning their first ACC road game since Feb. 19, 2001, drawing a crowd of 5,078 -- the largest at a Maryland women's basketball game to date since Feb. 24, 1996, and bringing home their first win from Florida State since the 1995-96 campaign.

FRESE'S DIVISION I COACHING CAREER

Year	Position, Institution	Record	Pct.	Postseason
1994	Asst. Coach, Kent State	20-8	.714	
1995	Asst. Coach, Kent State	17-10	.630	
1996	Asst. Coach, Iowa State	17-10	.630	
1997	Asst. Coach, Iowa State	17-12	.586	NCAA First Round
1998	Asst. Coach, Iowa State	25-8	.758	NCAA Second Round
1999	Asst. Coach, Iowa State	25-8	.758	NCAA Elite Eight
2000	Head Coach, Ball State	16-13	.552	
2001	Head Coach, Ball State	19-9	.679	
2002	Head Coach, Minnesota	22-8	.733	NCAA Second Round
2003	Head Coach, Maryland	10-18	.357	
2004	Head Coach, Maryland	18-13	.581	NCAA Second Round
2005	Head Coach, Maryland	22-10	.688	NCAA Second Round
Record at Maryland (3 yrs.)		50-41	.549	2 Appearances (2-2, .500)
Head Coaching Record (6 yrs.)		107-71	.601	3 Appearances (3-3, .500)
Overall Coaching Record (12 yrs.)		228-127	.642	6 Appearances (7-6, .538)

COACHING CREDENTIALS

- Associated Press National Coach of the Year (2002)
- Big Ten Coach of the Year (2002)
- MAC Coach of the Year (2000)
- Big Ten Player of the Year (2002)
- MAC Player of the Year (2000)
- ACC Rookie of the Year (2005)
- Big Ten Rookie of the Year (2002)
- MAC Rookie of the Year (2000)
- Six NCAA Appearances (1997, '98, '99, '02, '04, '05)
- One NCAA Elite Eight (1999)

MILESTONE VICTORIES

- #1** • Nov. 20, 1999
Ball State at Minnesota, 79-70
- #25** • Jan. 4, 2001
Ball State vs. Marshall, 100-77
- #50** • Jan. 27, 2002
Minnesota vs. Indiana, 75-60
- #75** • Dec. 30, 2003
Maryland vs. Georgetown, 66-63 (OT)
- #100** • Feb. 3, 2005
Maryland vs. Georgia Tech, 84-67

THE PERSONAL SIDE OF BRENDA FRESE

EDUCATION BACKGROUND:

- Bachelor of Arts in Communications (University of Arizona, 1993)
- Master's Degree in Athletic Administration (Kent State University, 1995)

ATHLETIC BACKGROUND:

- Three seasons as a varsity basketball player at the University of Arizona (1989-93)
- Selected to Pac-10 tour of West Germany (1989)

HIGH SCHOOL:

- Washington (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)
- Three-year basketball letterwinner. Honorable mention All-American and Iowa state champion in 1988. All-state and all-metro, 1986-88. Also four-year volleyball player, one year track participant and one year softball player.

FAMILY:

- Married Mark Thomas on August 20, 2005.
- Daughter of Bill and Donna Frese.
- Four sisters: Deb (44), Cindy (42), Marsha (33), Stacy (29). One brother: Jeff (40).

DATE OF BIRTH:

- April 30, 1970 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa



Brenda Frese and husband Mark Thomas

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One of college basketball's rising stars, Frese fits with Maryland's legacy of success. At Minnesota, she earned AP National Coach of the Year honors as well as Big Ten Coach of the Year recognition for turning the Gophers' 8-20 program into a 22-8 team and a top 25 contender in 2001-02. One of the biggest one-season turnarounds in NCAA history, Minnesota set a then-school record with 22 wins and tied for second in the Big Ten with an 11-5 conference mark. Frese also took the Gophers to what was only the school's second NCAA Tournament appearance. The Golden Gophers earned a fifth-seed in the NCAA Tournament and defeated UNLV in the first round before being eliminated by three points in the second round by North Carolina.

Frese's revitalization of the Minnesota program rocked the Big Ten establishment, with her team's 10-win improvement in conference play marking the biggest one-year improvement in Big Ten history. Moreover, the 11 Big Ten wins were three more than Minnesota totaled in the previous six seasons combined. The Golden Gophers had also achieved their highest ranking in school history to that point when Minnesota was listed 14th in the Associated Press Top 25 in mid-February and garnered a No. 18 national ranking in the final regular season AP poll. Undoubtedly, Frese had arrived.

Frese started her head coaching career during the 1999-2000 season at Ball State, a program that had gone 66-169

in the nine seasons prior to her arrival. She guided the Cardinals to a 16-13 showing in 2000 and garnered Coach of the Year honors in the Mid-American Conference. Frese led Ball State to a then-school best 19-9 mark in 2000-01, capturing the school's second back-to-back winning seasons in Ball State history. Her final year at Ball State, the 2000-01 team received votes in the AP poll, climbing as high as No. 28 in the country.

Frese's enthusiasm has been contagious for the fans of her teams as well, as support increased significantly at both Minnesota and Ball State under her leadership. Buoyed by the best start (9-1) in school history, the Golden Gophers finished the season ranked 19th nationally in home attendance average (4,360), including an average of 8,828 fans during the second half of the campaign when the team moved to Williams Arena from the Sports Pavilion. The Gophers attracted the top four crowds in school history, including a record attendance of 12,142 vs. Michigan State and a crowd of 11,389 vs. Indiana. Frese's 2000-01 Ball State team posted a 10-2 home record and set a single-season home attendance record.

She launched her Division I coaching career in 1994 as an assistant coach at Kent State University, helping the Golden Flashes to records of 20-8 (1994) and 17-10 (1995) during her two years there. The Cedar Rapids, Iowa, native then joined Bill Fennelly's staff at Iowa State as the Cyclones'

recruiting coordinator, where she assisted in another impressive turnaround, helping ISU to three NCAA Tournament appearances in four years. All told, the Cyclones posted a composite record of 84-38 with Frese as an assistant, including a 17-10 record in 1995-96 when Iowa State recorded the biggest one-season turnaround in school history. In 1997, the Cyclones made their first-ever appearance in the NCAA Tournament, a feat they duplicated in 1998 and 1999 with identical 25-8 records. In 1999, Iowa State was ranked among the nation's Top 25 for the entire season and came within one victory of reaching the Final Four.

During her stay at Iowa State, her 1998-99 recruiting class was ranked among the nation's top 10, and the Cyclones enjoyed tremendous success at the gate, drawing a record crowd of 12,337 vs. Santa Clara in the first round of an NCAA Tournament game played in Ames, Iowa, and rewriting Iowa State's single-season attendance mark multiple times.

Frese is a 1993 graduate of the University of Arizona, where she was a three-year letterwinner for the Wildcats as a guard. When injuries sidelined her during her senior season, she joined the Pima Community College coaching staff in Tucson, Ariz., as an assistant coach in charge of recruiting and scouting. Aside from her bachelor's degree in communications from Arizona in 1993, she also earned a master's degree in athletic administration from Kent State in 1995.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING ABOUT COACH BRENDA FRESE...

"Under the leadership of Coach Frese, we have made extraordinary progress in the last three years. Her passion for the well being of her student athletes, her determination to win and her faith in the Terps program is a powerful combination. There is no program in the nation better positioned to succeed in the next decade. Over time, she will put Maryland in a position to regularly compete for the national championship."

— Maryland Athletics Director Deborah A. Yow



"Brenda is definitely one of the brightest young coaches in America. She's a great student of the game. She will be very successful at Maryland."

— Arizona Head Coach Joan Bonvicini



"Brenda is one of the bright young coaches in the game today. Maryland is very fortunate. She'll do an unbelievable job of adding to the great tradition that Chris Weller had started there."

— National Champion Connecticut Head Coach Geno Auriemma

"Brenda is one of the young dynamic coaches in the game. Obviously, with my being an Old Dominion player, I have known of the Maryland program for years and where it has been and what it has achieved. If you give Brenda time, she will make Maryland one of the top teams not only in the ACC, but I think Maryland has the potential to be a Top-10 team for a long time to come."

— Basketball Hall of Famer and ESPN Basketball Analyst Nancy Lieberman



"I knew she would do a good job [at Maryland] but to do it this fast, it's really unbelievable. It's like, 'Where the did Maryland come from?' Now, they're a force to be reckoned with. It's amazing what's she's done in a short time. She's a great motivator, she gets her players to run up and down the court, and, in talking to some of them, it's just a positive feeling and that's why she's getting some of the [top] kids."

— ESPN Basketball Analyst Pam Ward



"I think this is a great hire for the University of Maryland. Brenda will do a great job of continuing the great tradition of Maryland basketball. She is outstanding in all areas needed to lead a program to national prominence. She is hard working and extremely organized. She knows what it takes to find players who can succeed at this level."

— Iowa State Head Coach Bill Fennelly

"I think the University of Maryland made a good choice in hiring Brenda. She is obviously an up-and-coming coach and she did a great job at the University of Minnesota while she was there. She worked for me so I feel I know her a little better than some other people. I think she will do a great job there, I think it was a good hire and I think that five years down the road, the University of Maryland will have a very good team on their hands."

— Kent State Head Coach Bob Lindsay



"Brenda is where we all expected her to be. It seems like every where she touches turns to gold. The scary part is, it's only going to get better. From the conference, to the recruits, to the exposure - it's only going to get better. That's a scary thought."

— 2005 National Coach of the Year LSU Head Coach Pokey Chapman

FRESE'S COACHING RECORD AGAINST ALL OPPONENTS

BY OPPONENT

Akron	1-1
Appalachian State	1-0
Arizona	1-0
Auburn	0-1
Bradley	1-1
Buffalo	0-2
Butler	1-0
Central Michigan	4-1
Charleston Southern	1-0
Chicago State	2-0
Clemson	3-3
Cleveland State	2-1
College of Charleston	1-0
Coppin State	3-0
Dayton	1-0
Duke	0-8
Eastern Michigan	2-2
Florida State	3-3
Fresno State	1-0
George Mason	0-1
Georgetown	1-0
Georgia Tech	4-2
High Point	1-0
Illinois	2-0
Illinois-Chicago	1-1
Indiana	1-2
Indiana State	0-1
Iowa	1-0
IUPUI	2-0
Loyola (Md.)	2-0
Loyola-Chicago	1-0
LSU	0-2
Marshall	5-0
Md.- Baltimore County	2-0
UMES	1-0
Massachusetts	1-0
Miami (Fla.)	2-1
Miami (Ohio)	2-1
Michigan	1-0
Michigan State	1-1
Minnesota	1-0
Monmouth	1-0
Nev.-Las Vegas	1-0
Niagara	1-0
North Carolina	1-5
NC State	3-3
Northern Colorado	1-0
Northern Illinois	2-2
Northern Iowa	1-0
Northwestern	1-0
Ohio	2-0
Ohio State	2-1
Penn State	0-3
Pennsylvania	1-0
Purdue	1-1
Rhode Island	0-1

Richmond	0-1
Sacred Heart	1-0
St. Bonaventure	2-0
Santa Clara	1-0
Siena	1-0
South Florida	1-0
Stanford	0-1
Stetson	1-0
Texas Tech	0-1
Toledo	1-4
Virginia	2-4
Virginia Commonwealth	1-0
Virginia Tech	0-4
Wake Forest	4-1
Weber State	1-0
Western Michigan	2-2
Wisconsin	2-1
UW-Green Bay	1-0
Wright State	2-0
Wyoming	1-0
Xavier	1-0

BY CONFERENCE ATLANTIC 10 (5-2)

Dayton	1-0
Massachusetts	1-0
Rhode Island	0-1
Richmond	0-1
St. Bonaventure	2-0
Xavier	1-0

ATLANTIC COAST (21-31)

Clemson	3-3
Duke	0-8
Florida State	3-3
Georgia Tech	4-2
Miami (Fla.)	1-0
North Carolina	1-5
NC State	3-3
Virginia	2-4
Virginia Tech	0-2
Wake Forest	4-1

ATLANTIC SUN (1-0)

Stetson	1-0
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BIG 12 (0-1)

Texas Tech	0-1
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BIG EAST (2-3)

Miami (Fla.)	1-1
Georgetown	1-0
Virginia Tech	0-2

BIG SKY (1-0)

Weber State	1-0
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BIG SOUTH (2-0)

Charleston Southern	1-0
High Point	1-0

BIG TEN (13-9)

Illinois	2-0
Indiana	1-2
Iowa	1-0
Michigan	1-0
Michigan State	1-1
Minnesota	1-0
Northwestern	1-0
Ohio State	2-1
Penn State	0-3
Purdue	1-1
Wisconsin	2-1

COLONIAL ATHLETIC (1-1)

George Mason	0-1
Virginia Commonwealth	1-0

CONFERENCE USA (1-0)

South Florida	1-0
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HORIZON LEAGUE (8-2)

Butler	1-0
Cleveland State	2-1
Illinois-Chicago	1-1
Loyola-Chicago	1-0
Wright State	2-0
UW-Green Bay	1-0

IVY LEAGUE (1-0)

Pennsylvania	1-0
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MID-AMERICAN (21-15)

Akron	1-1
Buffalo	0-2
Central Michigan	4-1
Eastern Michigan	2-2
Marshall	5-0
Miami (Ohio)	2-1
Northern Illinois	2-2
Ohio	2-0
Toledo	1-4
Western Michigan	2-2

MID-CONTINENT (4-0)

Chicago State	2-0
IUPUI	2-0

METRO ATLANTIC ATHLETIC (4-0)

Loyola (Md.)	2-0
Niagara	1-0
Siena	1-0

MID-EASTERN ATHLETIC (4-0)

Coppin State	3-0
UMES	1-0

MISSOURI VALLEY (2-2)

Bradley	1-1
Indiana State	0-1
Northern Iowa	1-0

NORTHEAST (4-0)

Md.- Baltimore County	2-0
Monmouth	1-0
Sacred Heart	1-0

PACIFIC-10 (1-1)

Arizona	1-0
Stanford	0-1

SOUTHERN (2-0)

Appalachian State	1-0
College of Charleston	1-0

SOUTHEASTERN (0-3)

Auburn	0-1
LSU	0-2

WESTERN ATHLETIC (3-0)

Fresno State	1-0
Nev.-Las Vegas	1-0
Wyoming	1-0

WEST COAST (1-0)

Santa Clara	1-0
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INDEPENDENT (1-0)

Northern Colorado	1-0
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JEFF WALZ

ASSISTANT COACH • NORTHERN KENTUCKY '95

FOURTH YEAR AT MARYLAND

11TH YEAR OVERALL

With over 10 years of collegiate experience, assistant coach Jeff Walz begins his fourth season with the Maryland Terrapins. After stints at Minnesota, Nebraska and Western Kentucky, Walz's career highlights include helping guide his teams to seven NCAA Tournaments, including back-to-back appearances by the Terps, and one WNIT appearance.

"Jeff is extremely talented in many areas. He does a tremendous job on the floor in practices, games and with player development," said head coach Brenda Frese. "He is extremely organized and efficient, and it shows in everything he does for our program."

In three seasons in College Park, the Terps have made marked improvements while Walz has been on the sidelines. Each year, Maryland has seen its scoring average improve while posting the most victories since 1992-93, winning 22 games in 2004-05. The Terps also reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament in 2004 and 2005. During his time, four Terrapins have garnered All-ACC accolades and Crystal Langhorne was tabbed the 2005 ACC Rookie of the Year. He also assisted in the Terrapin coaching staff's recruiting efforts to sign back-to-back top-five ranked recruiting classes in 2004 and 2005.

A scholarship player for Northern Kentucky from 1990-93, Walz was with Frese at Minnesota for one year after coaching for four seasons at Nebraska. At Minnesota, he worked with the posts and centers, including 2002 Big Ten Freshman of the Year Janel McCarville, while also taking on scouting and recruiting efforts for the Gophers during the staff's 22-8 season.

While with the Cornhuskers from 1997-2001, Walz was involved with all aspects of the program, from coordinating the Huskers' recruiting efforts to tracking student-athletes' academics, to scheduling and camps. He helped Nebraska to a school-record, three-straight NCAA Tournament appearances (1998, 1999, 2000) and also coached the L.A. Sparks' No. 1 draft pick in the 2000 WNBA Draft, Nicole Kubik. By his final year at Nebraska, Walz was in charge of conducting individual development workouts, as well as, opponent scouting.

Walz began his collegiate career at Western Kentucky in 1996 after serving as the team's administrative assistant the previous season. He started coaching at the middle and high school levels in 1992 and was an AAU coach from 1995-96. During his career, he has guided such players as 1999 NCAA champion and WNBA standout Ukari Figgs, the University of Tennessee's Kyra Elzy, Ohio State standout Marita Porter and 1996 National High School Player of the Year Jamie Walz, his sister, who now coaches the girls' high school team at their alma mater, Highlands High School.

He attended Northern Kentucky University on a basketball scholarship, graduating with a bachelor of science in secondary education in May 1995. Walz earned his master's in education in August 2000 from Western Kentucky.

Walz exchanged vows with Kim Kumfer on May 17, 2003. The couple had their first baby, Kaeley Thöney, on August 3, 2005. They reside in Crofton, Md.

WALZ'S COACHING CREDENTIALS

- Assistant Coach, Maryland (Apr. 2002-Present)
- Assistant Coach, Nebraska (July 1997-June 2001)
- Assistant Coach, Minnesota (June 2001-Apr. 2002)
- Assistant Coach, Western Kentucky (Aug. 1995-July 1997)

THE PERSONAL SIDE OF JEFF WALZ

Education Background:

- Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education and Business (Northern Kentucky University, 1995)
- Master's Degree in Education (Western Kentucky University, 1997)

Athletic Background:

- Two seasons as a varsity basketball player at Northern Kentucky University.

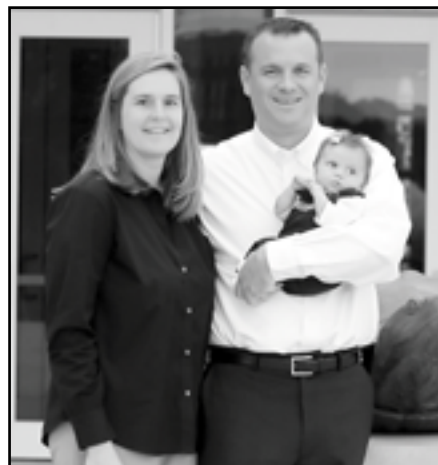
High School:

- Highlands (Ft. Thomas, Ky.)
- Four varsity letters in basketball and two in tennis.

Family:

- Married to the former Kim Kumfer on May 17, 2003.
- One daughter Kaeley Thöney (born August 3, 2005).
- Son of Roger and Janine Walz.
- One sister: Jaime (28).
- Two brothers: Scott (36), and Brian (35).

Date of Birth: October 27, 1971 in Ft. Thomas, Ky.



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ERICA FLOYD

ASSISTANT COACH • OHIO STATE '93

FOURTH YEAR AT MARYLAND

12TH YEAR OVERALL

Ohio State standout and 11-year assistant coaching veteran Erica Floyd completed Brenda Frese's sideline staff when she, too, made the move from Minnesota to Maryland before the 2002-03 season. Floyd coached with Frese during coaching stints at Minnesota and Ken State and has helped to rebuild the Terrapin program which reach the 2004 NCAA Tournament.

"Erica does a tremendous job with our players and with establishing relationships in the community," said Frese of Floyd. "She is also a big asset in recruiting and is committed to making our program the best it can be."

Floyd's contributions in three years at Maryland have seen the Terps win more games since 1992-93 in 2005 (22), advance to the second round of the NCAA Tournament twice, achieve a No. 15 national ranking, the highest in 12 years, while also mentoring the 2005 ACC Rookie of the Year and four All-ACC performers. Her recruiting efforts have also helped to land the No. 2 recruiting class in the nation in 2004 and the No. 4 class in 2005.

At Minnesota, Floyd assisted not only in on- and off-campus recruiting, but also with scouting and film breakdown. The position coach for the forwards and centers, she helped guide 2002 Big Ten Freshman of the Year Janel McCarville, and also led the Gophers' community service efforts. Minnesota experienced the biggest one-year turnaround in Big Ten history in Floyd's year there, going 22-8 after inheriting a program that had been 8-20 the previous season.

She called Cleveland State home from 1998-2001 and served the Viking program in all capacities. She coached Audra Cook, 2000 Midwestern Collegiate Conference Player of the Year while at Cleveland State and was in charge of coordinating team travel and assisting in recruiting efforts both on- and off-campus. She continued to lend her experience to the forwards and centers and also aided in monitoring academics, scouting and coordinating summer camps.

Floyd joined the coaching ranks at Kent State from 1994-98 where she coaches alongside Frese, who was an assistant at the time. A position coach for the forwards and centers, she assisted with various aspects of the program including coordinating team travel, scouting and summer camps. A Kent, Ohio, native, she also served as the school's assistant marketing director from 1995-98.

Floyd played at Ohio State from 1989-1992, graduating with a bachelor of science degree in education in 1993. She was on the Buckeye team that shared the 1989 Big Ten title, and as a captain her senior year, was voted Most Improved Player. Following her senior year of high school, Floyd was named the 1988 Gatorade Ohio High School Player of the Year.

Floyd is single and resides in Columbia, Md.

FLOYD'S COACHING CREDENTIALS

- Assistant Coach, Maryland (Apr. 2002-Present)
- Assistant Coach, Minnesota (June 2001-Apr. 2002)
- Assistant Coach, Cleveland State (June 1998-June 2001)
- Assistant Coach, Kent State (Aug. 1994-June 1998)

THE PERSONAL SIDE OF ERICA FLOYD

Education Background:

- Bachelor of Arts in Education (The Ohio State University, 1993)

Athletic Background:

- Four seasons as a varsity basketball player at The Ohio State University.

High School:

- Theodore Roosevelt (Kent, Ohio)
- Four varsity letters in basketball and track, and one in volleyball.

Family:

- Daughter of James and Sandra Floyd.
- One sister: Terri (45).
- Two brothers: Gaylan (39), and Chancellor (26).

Date of Birth: April 10, 1970 in Kent, Ohio.

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JOANNA BERNABEI

ASSISTANT COACH • WEST LIBERTY '97

THIRD YEAR AT MARYLAND

EIGHTH YEAR OVERALL

Joanna Bernabei enters her third year as an assistant coach at Maryland, after being hired in June 2003. Bernabei came to College Park from West Virginia, and has helped Maryland reach the second round of the NCAA Tournament in each of her two seasons, while assisting in the recruiting of back-to-back top-five ranked recruiting classes.

"Joanna is very passionate and her knowledge on the floor has been a big asset to our team," said head coach Brenda Frese. "She works extremely hard in our recruiting efforts and has developed tremendous contacts all over the country."

Since Bernabei's arrival at Maryland, the Terps have won the most games in 12 years (22 in 2005), four Terrapins have received All-ACC nods and Crystal Langhorne was tabbed the 2005 ACC Rookie of the Year.

Bernabei served two years at West Virginia as an assistant coach for the Mountaineer women's basketball team where she was a scout, position coach and recruiting coordinator. Before her time as a Mountaineer, Bernabei had a two-year stint at Eastern Kentucky where she was responsible for scouting, individual player development as well as serving as the recruiting coordinator. She gained head-coaching experience in 1998 at West Virginia Wesleyan where she compiled an 18-9 record and a third-place finish in the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC), while also acting as the school's senior women's administrator.

Bernabei attended West Liberty State where she was a Division II All-American and a four-time first team All-WVIAC selection as a point guard. Named 1997 WVIAC Player of the Year, she currently holds the NCAA Division II career assist record of 1,107 and the single-game record for most assists at 24 which she set against West Virginia State (Feb. 8, 1997). She is one of a handful of players, men or women, to record more than 1,000 points and 1,000 assists in a career, finishing her stellar career with 1,317 total points.

Bernabei also holds NCAA records for assists average per game (9.5) and the school and conference marks for assists in a game, season (294) and career. She led her team to an 80-36 record over four years and is listed on West Liberty's Top 20 All-Time Best Athlete list. She is the first woman to be named first team All-West Virginia Athletic Conference for four years and was West Virginia's 1993 High School Player of the Year.

Bernabei earned her bachelor's degree in exercise physiology in 1997 from West Liberty and a master's degree from Eastern Kentucky in physical education in 1999.

Bernabei married Joe McNamee in her hometown of Weirton, W. Va., on May 22, 2004. The couple now lives in Columbia, Md.

BERNABEI'S COACHING CREDENTIALS

- Assistant Coach, Maryland (June 2003-Present)
- Assistant Coach, West Virginia (June 2001-June 2003)
- Assistant Coach, Eastern Kentucky (June 1999-June 2001)
- Head Coach, West Virginia Wesleyan (June 1998-June 1999)
- Graduate Assistant, Eastern Kentucky (June 1997-June 1998)

THE PERSONAL SIDE OF JOANNA BERNABEI

Education Background:

- Bachelor of Arts in Exercise Physiology (West Liberty State College, 1997)
- Master's Degree in Physical Education (Eastern Kentucky University, 1998)

Athletic Background:

- Four seasons as a varsity basketball player at West Liberty State College.

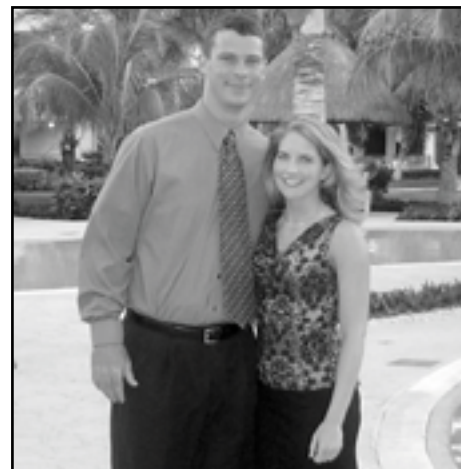
High School:

- Weirton Madonna (Weirton, W.Va.)
- Four varsity letters in basketball, track and tennis.

Family:

- Married to Joe McNamee on May 22, 2004.
- Daughter of John and Nancy Bernabei.
- Two sisters: Paula Cordray (40), and Patti Robinson (38).
- One brother: J.J. Bernabei (39).

Date of Birth: May 30, 1975 in Weirton, W.Va.



BERNABEI



MARK PEARSON

DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPERATIONS

IOWA STATE '96

FOURTH YEAR AT MARYLAND

NINTH YEAR OVERALL

Head coach Brenda Frese took care of all the details when she built her staff at Minnesota and brought that winning formula, intact, to Maryland, including Director of Basketball Operations Mark Pearson. In his fourth year, Pearson oversees the general operations of the basketball program, especially the planning of team travel.

"Mark does a tremendous job of overseeing all of our team travel and coordinating our office from top to bottom," said Frese. "Mark does a great job organizing and makes sure everything runs smoothly while also serving as our director of summer camps."

While Pearson was with Frese in Minnesota, he handled team travel, scheduled practices, coordinated camps and assisted with community service. His experience before Minnesota was vast and varied, including knowledge of both the business and the coaching worlds.

Prior to joining the Gophers' athletic department, Pearson spent two years in the sales department of Reuters, Inc., in Ankeny, Iowa. From 1997-99, he was an assistant basketball coach at Iowa Central Community College and was involved in everything from recruiting and scouting, to summer camps, to overseeing student-athletes' academic performances.

He spent two years as an Iowa Central Junior College player before continuing his education at Iowa State. He served as a graduate assistant and manager of the Cyclone men's basketball team from 1993-97. During that time, Iowa State made three trips to the NCAA Tournament, including a Sweet 16 appearance in 1997.

Pearson earned his bachelor's degree in finance from Iowa State in 1996 and a master's of education in sports management from Iowa State in 2003.

Pearson and his wife, Jennifer, reside in Laurel, Md. Their son, B.J., celebrated his fourth birthday on March 1, 2005. The couple's youngest child, Natalie, celebrates her second birthday on July 27, 2005.

PEARSON'S COACHING CREDENTIALS

- Director of Basketball Operations, Maryland (April 2003-Present)
- Administrative Assistant, Minnesota (June 2001-April 2002)
- Assistant Coach, Iowa Central Community College (1997-99)

THE PERSONAL SIDE OF MARK PEARSON

Education Background:

- Bachelor of Science in Finance (Iowa State University, 1997)
- Master's Degree in Sport Management (Iowa State University, 2003)

Athletic Background:

- Two seasons as a varsity basketball player at Iowa Central Community College.

High School:

- Palmer (Palmer, Iowa)
- Four varsity letters in basketball.

Family:

- Married to the former Jennifer Pemble on April 18, 1998.
- One son B.J., 4 (born March 1, 2001),
one daughter Natalie Lynne, 2 (born July 27, 2003).
- Son of Wayne and Donna Pearson.
- Two brothers: David (39) and Brian (35).

Date of Birth:

- May 7, 1973 in Pocahontas, Iowa.



PEARSON



TAMARA BOWIE
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF
BASKETBALL OPERATIONS
BALL STATE '03
THIRD YEAR AT MARYLAND

The newest member of the Maryland women's basketball staff, Tamara Bowie is entering her third season with the Terapins as Assistant Director of Basketball Operations. Joining the squad in January 2004, her responsibilities include some recruiting, assistance with marketing and promotions, and facilitating with the day-to-day operations of the team.

A 2003 graduate, Bowie was one of the most decorated players in Ball State University history. She was a three-time Kodak All-American Honorable Mention and a two-time Mid-American Conference Player of the Year, while earning first team all-conference honors three times.

Bowie's legacy can be found in the BSU record books. Her name appears in the annals 45 times, owning several career, season and single-game standards. She is the school's career scoring leader with 2,091 points, ranking third overall among men or women at BSU. Her name also appears atop the school's blocks record with 152 and is second with 933 rebounds.

Bowie became the first-ever MAC basketball player to be drafted by the WNBA when she was selected with the 36th pick overall by the Washington Mystics in the summer of 2003. She also played professionally with the Perikos FIBE Team in Athens, Greece, in 2003-04.

Hailing from Lansing, Mich., Bowie was recruited by head coach Brenda Frese while Frese was at Ball State, playing for her for two seasons. Bowie earned a bachelor of science in sports administration in 2003.

BOWIE'S COACHING CREDENTIALS

- Assistant Director of Basketball Operations (Jan. 2004-Present)

THE PERSONAL SIDE OF TAMARA BOWIE

Education Background

- Bachelor of Science in Sports Administration (Ball State University, 2003)

Athletic Background

- Four Seasons as a varsity basketball player at Ball State University
- One season as a professional basketball player for Perikos FIBE Team (Athens, Greece)

High School

- Lansing Sexton (Lansing, Mich.)
- Four varsity letters in basketball and track.

Family

- Daughter of Tommy and Sheryl Bowie.
- One Sister: Shona (34).
- Three Brothers: Travon (29), Brandis (21) and Kenan (20).

Date of Birth

- June 3, 1981 in Lansing, Michigan

SUPPORT STAFF



Jen Elkonoh
Administrative Assistant



Corliss White
Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coach



Jim Knight
Assistant Equipment Manager



Matt Charvat
Associate Head Athletic Trainer



Natalia Ciccone
Assistant Media Relations Director



Mike Harkness
Assistant Video Coordinator



Kim Lynch
Team Manager



Andre Lane
Team Manager



Jihan Madyun
Team Manager



Doreen Morrissey
Staff Assistant