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# Panther Sports News

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## PANTHER CAGER REPORT

UPCOMING GAME: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Tournament

First game will be against Northern Michigan (2-1) at 3 p.m. Saturday, December 20. Other schools competing are St. Joseph's College (Indiana) and host UW-Milwaukee. Game times are at 3 and 5 p.m. Saturday. The losers will play Sunday at 1 p.m. while the winners play at 3 p.m.

EIU LINEUP: F JoAnn Archer 5-11 Sr.  
F Penny Berg 5-7 Jr.  
F Linda Ellsworth 6-0 Sr.  
G Sandy Thorpe 5-6 Sr.  
G Nancy Kassebaum 5-6 So.

EIU RECORD TO DATE: 4-4 Panthers are coming off a 97-60 win over Chicago Circle.

EIU FACTS: Having trouble putting together two consistent halves, the Panthers' record is a bit deceiving as they have faced several top-notch teams in the early going. JoAnn Archer (Mundelein) leads the Panther scoring attack with a 16 point average. Guard Nancy Kassebaum (Belleville-East) is averaging just under that mark (15.87) while Linda Ellsworth (Menasha, WI-Portage Central) is contributing a hot 13.75 ppg and leading the team in rebounds with 8.4 per game. Kassebaum has 36 steals to her credit. EIU is averaging 79 ppg while allowing its opponents only 65.

COACH BOBBIE HILKE'S COMMENTS: "We have three people consistently scoring in double figures and our defense is getting stronger. We're putting in a lot of hours on a helping man-to-man defense. Sandy Thorpe (Peoria-Central) is becoming excellent defensively. She's a fantastic point guard and as a senior has come into her own as a ballplayer.

"Nancy Kassebaum makes so many things happen out there because of her quickness. We're looking for her to score more this year as a sophomore.