

4-30-1985

04/30/1985 - Sheryl Bonsett Signs Letter Of Intent

University Marketing and Communications

Follow this and additional works at: http://thekeep.eiu.edu/press_releases_1985

Recommended Citation

University Marketing and Communications, "04/30/1985 - Sheryl Bonsett Signs Letter Of Intent" (1985). 1985. 1261.
http://thekeep.eiu.edu/press_releases_1985/1261

This is brought to you for free and open access by the Press Releases at The Keep. It has been accepted for inclusion in 1985 by an authorized administrator of The Keep. For more information, please contact tabruns@eiu.edu.



Panther Sports News

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, Charleston, IL 61920

DAVID KIDWELL, Sports Information Director

OFFICE (217) 581 2920

HOME (217) 345-4166

April 30, 1985

LS- GAC- Hts

39

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--(April 30, 1985)--Chalk up another one for Eastern Illinois women's basketball coach Barbara Hilke and her staff. Scottsburg, Ind. native Sheryl Bonsett has signed a national letter of intent to play basketball for the Lady Panthers next season.

Bonsett is the sixth player EIU has inked for next season. The list includes: 6-foot-3 center Ann Pluhm (Litchfield); 6-0 forward Lisa Tyler (Aurora, Ind./South Dearborn); 6-2 forward Brenda Webb (Antioch); 5-7 guard Liz Cavanagh (Springfield/Sacred Heart Academy) and 5-7 guard Shelly Ethridge (Breese/Mater Dei).

The Scottsburg High School standout led her squad to a 56-7 record over the past three years. The 5-7 guard is one of only five players in school history to eclipse the career 1,000 point barrier; she tallied 1,011 points while lettering four years for the Warriorettes.

She capped off a stellar prep career by being named second-team all-state as senior by the Associated Press and being awarded the second most prestigious honor given in the state of Indiana basketball circles--a place on the Indiana High School All-Star team. Bonsett is one of 12 members of the highly-acclaimed Hoosier squad that will take on a similar team from Kentucky in June.

"I'm ecstatic with Sheryl's decision to attend Eastern Illinois," admits Hilke. "She played in a real competitive conference and more importantly--excelled in the league. Sheryl is a strong kid that should make a good point guard."

Bonsett was tabbed first-team all-state by Hoosier Magazine as a senior after awarded honorable mention all-state laurels as a junior. She is a two-time All-Mid-Southern Indiana Conference selection and all-sectional pick. The scrappy performer also was twice named Most Valuable Player of her team.

She averaged 17.3 ppg this past season while leading her team to an 18-2 record. Bonsett also set a school standard for assists in a season with 123. The marksman canned 51.4% of her career field goals--second best in school history.

"I feel this is one of our finest recruiting classes we've had," explains Hilke. "We all worked really hard all-year recruiting--especially (assistant) Linda (Ellsworth). Linda was out on the road a great deal laying the groundwork on these kids. This class has a lot of people who want to play basketball but also know the importance of studying. The freshmen are strong academically and athletically."