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The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, Sept. 18

VB hosts Diet Coke Classic
Auburn vs. Marquette 6 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Rutgers 8 p.m.
SC at Iowa 3 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 19

VB hosts Diet Coke Classic
Consolation Match 6 p.m.
Championship Match 8 p.m.
CC at St. Olaf Invitational 11 a.m.

Monday, Sept. 21

VB vs. USA National Team 7:30 p.m.
SC at Washington State 4 p.m.

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What's Coming Up

Volleyball

- Gophers host Diet Coke Classic
- Minnesota hosts USA National Team Monday

Soccer

- Gophers hit the road for Big Ten opener at Iowa, then travel to Washington State

Cross Country

- Gophers travel to St. Olaf Invitational

Gopher Highlights

Volleyball

- Minnesota wins Nike Invitational, improves to 9-0
- Nicole Branagh named tournament MVP
- Lindsey Berg and Sonja Posthuma also named to all-tourney team
- Gophers ranked #25 in USA Today/AVCA Coaches Poll

Soccer

- Gophers win two at home
- Laurie Seidl records two consecutive hat tricks, total of eight goals on the week

Cross Country

- Junior Rasa Michniovaite leads Gophers to win over Drake

Golf

- Minnesota places third at Minnesota Invitational

Volleyball Hosts USA National Team

The Gophers host the USA Women's National Team in an exhibition match Monday, Sept. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Sports Pavilion as part of the USA Collegiate Volleyball Challenge Series. Minnesota head coach Mike Hebert and USA National coach Mick Haley will lead a Fan Appreciation Presentation at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for courtside seating, \$6 adult general admission and \$4 youth general admission. Call the Gopher Ticket Office at 612-624-8080 or 1-800-U-GOPHER for more information or to order tickets.



1998 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

1	Wis.-Green Bay	W, 3-0
4-5	at Naval Academy Tourn. (Annapolis, Md.)	
	vs. Virginia	W, 3-2
	vs. Loyola	W, 3-0
	vs. Buffalo	W, 3-0
	vs. Navy	W, 3-0
7	at American	W, 3-2
11-12	Minnesota Nike Invitational	
11	vs. Oregon	W, 3-0
12	vs. Wake Forest	W, 3-0
	vs. Missouri	W, 3-1
18-19	Diet Coke Classic (Auburn, Marquette Rutgers, Minnesota)	
18	vs. Rutgers	8 p.m.
19	Consolation	6 p.m.
	Championship	8 p.m.
21	USA National Team	7 p.m.
25	Penn State *	7 p.m.
26	Ohio State *	7 p.m.

OCTOBER

2	at Iowa *	7 p.m.
3	at Wisconsin *	7 p.m.
9	at Michigan *	7 p.m.
10	at Michigan State *	7 p.m.
16	Northwestern *	7 p.m.
17	Indiana *	7 p.m.
23	at Purdue *	7:30 p.m.
24	at Illinois *	7 p.m.
30	Wisconsin *	7 p.m.
31	Iowa *	7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

6	Michigan State *	7 p.m.
7	Michigan *	7 p.m.
13	at Ohio State *	7 p.m.
14	at Penn State *	7:30 p.m.
20	at Indiana *	7 p.m.
21	at Northwestern *	7 p.m.
27	Illinois *	7 p.m.
28	Purdue *	7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER

3-6	NCAA First/Second Rounds
10-13	NCAA Regionals
17-19	NCAA Finals (Madison, Wis.)

Home matches in **bold** played at Sports Pavilion

* Big Ten Matches

Minnesota Volleyball 1998



Diet Coke Volleyball Classic
Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19
Sports Pavilion - Minneapolis, Minn.

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GOLDEN GOPHERS HOST DIET COKE CLASSIC — The University of Minnesota volleyball team (9-0) hosts the third annual Diet Coke Volleyball Classic this weekend, Friday-Sunday, Sept. 18-19. The Gophers have yet to win the Classic, placing second in each of the past two seasons.

THE TOURNEY FIELD — The Diet Coke Volleyball Classic field contains four teams that accomplished winning records in the 1997 season. Auburn, a member of the Southeastern Conference, posted a record of 19-10 last season. Conference USA's Marquette and the Big East's Rutgers notched identical 18-16 marks a year ago. In 1998, Auburn is off to a 7-2 record. Rutgers enters play this weekend with a 5-3 mark, while Marquette owns a 4-4 record.

THE NIKE INVITATIONAL SCHEDULE — The Diet Coke Volleyball Classic will be contested in championship format. The schedule is as follows:

Friday, Sept. 18	Auburn vs. Marquette	6 p.m.
	Minnesota vs. Rutgers	8 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 19	Consolation Match	6 p.m.
	Championship Match	8 p.m.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP —

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School/Club*
S	Lindsey Berg	5-8	Fr.	Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou
OH	Nicole Branagh	6-1	So.	Orinda, Calif./Miramonte
OH	Yvonne Wichert	5-11	Fr.	Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden*
OH	Sonja Posthuma	6-0	So.	Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus
MB	Erica Glaser	6-1	So.	Omaha, Neb./Millard North
MB	Stephanie Hagen	6-3	Fr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Hopkins
	or			
DS	Susan Shudlick	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

WHAT A START — The Golden Gophers' 9-0 season-opening record is the second-best start in Gopher history, behind only the 1974 squad that posted an 11-0 mark to start the season.

GOPHERS CLIMB INTO NATIONAL RANKINGS — For the first time in the Coach Mike Hebert era, Minnesota climbed into the national rankings and is ranked 25th in this week's AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Poll. Penn State continues to hold the No. 1 ranking. A total of six Big Ten schools were included. In addition to No. 1 Penn State and No. 25 Minnesota, Wisconsin (No. 7), Ohio State (No. 14), Michigan State (No. 18) and Illinois (No. 22) are ranked.

BRANAGH EARNS BIG TEN HONOR — Sophomore outside hitter **Nicole Branagh (Orinda, Calif./Miramonte)** was named the co-Big Ten Player of the Week after leading the Gophers to a 4-0 record and the Nike Invitational title during the week's action. Branagh collected 93 kills in four matches, hitting at a .367 attack percentage, while averaging over 20 kills a match. She also contributed seven service aces, nine total blocks and 32 digs. She concluded the week by being named the Nike Invitational most valuable player.

1998 GOLDEN GOPHER ROSTER —

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown / High School / College / Club
1	Jill Holmstrom	OH/DS	5-7	So.	TR	Dellwood, Minn. / Mahtomedi / Xavier
2	Lindsey Berg	S	5-8	Fr.	HS	Honolulu, Hawaii / Punahou
3	Yvonne Wichert	OH	5-11	Fr.	HS	Rüsselsheim, Germany / V.C. Wiesbaden
4	Erica Glaser	MB	6-1	So.	1V	Omaha, Neb. / Millard North
5	Lisa Aschenbrenner	OH	6-0	So.	1V	Algonquin, Ill. / Huntley
6	Ali Berres	DS	5-7	Fr.	HS	Naperville, Ill. / Benet Academy
8	Heather Baxter	MB	6-0	So.	1V	Aurora, Ill. / West
9	Linda Shudlick #	MB	6-1	Sr.	1V	Apple Valley, Minn. / Apple Valley / UCLA
10	Stephanie Hagen	MB	6-3	Fr.	HS	Minnetonka, Minn. / Hopkins
11	Sonja Posthuma #	OH	6-0	So.	1V	Sneek, Netherlands / Magister Alvinus
13	Heather Swenson	OH/DS	5-9	Jr.	TR	Brooklyn Park, Minn. / Park Center / Rutgers
14	Susan Shudlick	S	5-10	Jr.	2V	Apple Valley, Minn. / Apple Valley
15	Nicole Branagh	OH	6-1	So.	1V	Orinda, Calif. / Miramonte
16	Morning Song Manning	DS	5-7	So.	SQ	Owyhee, Nev. / Owyhee
18	Jill McDonell	OH	5-10	Sr.	2V	Brooklyn Park, Minn. / Totino-Grace

Head Coach: Dr. Mike Hebert

Assistant Coaches: Maurice Batie, Nao Ikeda, Lynne McDonald

Key: OH - Outside Hitter, MB - Middle Blocker, ST - Setter, DS - Defensive Specialist, V - Varsity Letters Earned, HS - High School, TR - Transfer, # Co-captains

GOPHERS WIN NIKE INVITATIONAL — Minnesota won the team title at last weekend's (Sept. 11-12) Nike Invitational by posting a perfect 3-0 record. The Gophers opened the tournament by defeating Oregon, from the powerful Pac-10 Conference, by scores of 15-6, 15-13 and 15-7. The fate was the same for Wake Forest, to whom the Gophers handed a 15-7, 15-4, 15-6 defeat. Minnesota captured the crown in the tourney's final match, defeating Missouri, 12-15, 15-2, 15-6, 15-10.

GOPHER TRIO ON HONOR SQUAD — Three Gophers were named to the Nike Invitational all-tournament team: outside hitter **Nicole Branagh** (MVP), setter **Lindsey Berg** (Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou) and outside hitter **Sonja Posthuma** (Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus). **Berg** and **Branagh** have earned all-tournament honors in both the Gophers' tournament appearances this season, the Navy Trident Classic and the Nike Invitational.

GLASER SETS MATCH RECORD — Sophomore middle blocker **Erica Glaser** (Omaha, Neb./Millard North) set a Minnesota single-match record with .917 hitting percentage performance in the Gophers' match against Missouri on Saturday. **Glaser** pounded 11 kills in 12 attempts, without an error, to better the previous record of .818 set by Jean Schintz, who went 9-of-11 against New Mexico State in 1994. **Glaser** landed her first 10 kills before hitting the one attempt that did not fall for a putaway.

Minnesota Golden Gophers

vs.

USA Women's National Team

Monday, Sept. 21

7:30 p.m.

Sports Pavilion

Minneapolis, Minn.

Gates open at 5:30 p.m.

Fan Appreciation Presentation

6-6:45 p.m.

Tickets - \$7 (Courtside)

General Admission, \$6 - Adult, \$4 Youth (18-under)

FAMILIAR FACES — For the second straight season, a transfer on the Gopher squad will face her old teammates in the Diet Coke Classic. Last year, senior Becky Jakala had the chance to battle her former Northern Illinois team. In 1998, it's junior outside hitter/defensive specialist **Heather Swenson** (Brooklyn Park, Minn./Park Center), who will face her former Rutgers squad.

DEALIN' ACES — Setter **Lindsey Berg** adds a wicked serve to the Gophers' offensive arsenal. **Berg** has collected a service ace in seven of the eight matches she played this season, with a high of five winners against Virginia.

HAGEN PATROLING THE MIDDLE — First-year middle blocker **Stephanie Hagen** (Minnetonka, Minn./Hopkins) is off to an impressive start to her collegiate career. **Hagen** leads the Gophers with a 1.03 blocks per game average, while hitting among the team's leaders with a .356 attack percentage.

SERVIN' IT UP — With **Lindsey Berg** and **Nicole Branagh** leading the way, the Gophers are using their service game to score quick points. Minnesota is averaging 2.22 aces a game, with **Berg** hitting a team-high total of 18 and **Branagh** 15.

LINDA SHUDLICK OUT FOR YEAR — Senior co-captain **Linda Shudlick** (Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley) will miss the 1998 season due to a knee injury suffered in spring practice last April. **Shudlick**, a middle blocker, tore the anterior cruciate ligament of her left knee during a blocking drill and underwent surgery in May. She will be eligible for the 1999 season.

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT — Head coach **Mike Hebert** is in his third season at Minnesota and sports a record of 56-21 (.727) with the Gophers. He has guided the Gophers to consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances and upper echelon Big Ten finishes. Overall in 22 years of coaching, **Hebert** owns a career mark of 628-278 (.693) and has directed teams to NCAA Tournament appearances in each of the last 13 seasons. He is one of just eight active NCAA Division I coaches with over 600 career victories.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** are in their third seasons at Minnesota and fifth on **Mike Hebert's** coaching staff.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

AUBURN — The Tigers are off to a 7-2 record. One of Auburn's victories was a 3-0 victory over Wisconsin-Green Bay, a team Minnesota also beat 3-0 earlier this season. Auburn's offense is led by sophomore outside hitter **Brooke McCarley**, an All-SEC first-team selection a year ago. **McCarley** is averaging 4.11 kills per game with an impressive .410 attack percentage. Senior setter **Piper Craig** is averaging 12.32 assists per game.

Auburn head coach **Kris Grunwald** is in his first season with the Tigers.

The Series — Auburn leads 1-0. The Tigers defeated the Gophers in the only meeting by a 3-2 score during the Hofstra Tournament in 1990.

MARQUETTE — Marquette is 4-4 on the season but owns a winning streak of three matches heading into the Diet Coke Classic. The Golden Eagles have struggled offensively as a team, posting just a .180 attack percentage. Junior middle blocker **Chris Curtin** leads the team with 109 kills, an

average of 3.20 kills a game. First-year middle blocker **Mehgan Devine**, a Harris, Minn., native, is averaging just under one block a game.

Marquette head coach **Tat Shiely** is in her 24th season with the Golden Eagles and sports a 374-440-5 record.

The Series — Minnesota leads 2-0, but the teams have not played each other since 1980.

RUTGERS — The Scarlet Knights are 5-3 after a win over Fordham in their last outing. One Rutgers loss was a 3-1 defeat to American University, a team the Gophers defeated 3-2 last week. Middle hitter **Cheri Drake** paces the Rutgers' offense with 90 kills (3.21 kpg).

Rutgers head coach **Ann Leonard-House** is in her 4th season with the Scarlet Knights and owns a record of 60-73.

The Series — Rutgers leads 2-0, but the teams have not faced each other since the Kentucky Invitational in 1983.

PENN STATE NO. 1 IN USA TODAY / AVCA TOP 25 COACHES POLL —

Poll #2 (Sept. 14)	Points	Record	Lt. Wk
1. Penn State (42)	1478	6-0	1
2. Long Beach State (18)	1458	6-0	2
3. Nebraska	1374	6-0	4
4. UC Santa Barbara	1288	7-0	5
5. USC	1202	4-2	3
6. BYU	1201	5-1	6
7. Wisconsin	1166	6-1	8
8. Pacific	1029	7-0	10
9. Stanford	1024	4-2	9
10. Florida	958	5-1	11
11. Texas	919	4-1	7
12. Colorado	821	4-1	12
13. Hawaii	817	5-1	13
14. Ohio State	731	4-2	14
15. Loyola Marymount	594	6-0	17
16. Arkansas	587	3-1	15
17. Texas A&M	522	6-1	19
18. Michigan State	364	4-1	16
19. Florida State	342	7-0	22
20. University of San Diego	330	5-2	21
21. Arizona	274	8-0	25
22. Illinois	266	6-1	N/R
23. Louisville	163	4-1	N/R
24. Notre Dame	130	2-3	18
25. Minnesota	123	9-0	N/R

Others receiving points: Washington State (88), UCLA (59), Michigan (49), Texas Tech (47), Indiana (24), Clemson (19), Washington (17), Eastern Washington (8), Fresno State (8), Cal Poly SLO (7), Kansas State (5), Maryland (3), American (1), Houston (1), Northwestern (1), South Carolina (1).

UP NEXT FOR THE GOPHERS — Minnesota opens its Big Ten Conference schedule at home with matches against No. 1 Penn State on Friday, Sept. 25, and No. 14 Ohio State on Saturday, Sept. 26.

University of Minnesota Volleyball
 Minnesota Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 14, 1998)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	{ 9-0 }	{ 4-0 }	{ 2-0 }	{ 3-0 }
CONFERENCE.....	{ 0-0 }	{ 0-0 }	{ 0-0 }	{ 0-0 }
NON-CONFERENCE.....	{ 9-0 }	{ 4-0 }	{ 2-0 }	{ 3-0 }

## SUMMARY (by ##)	G	ATTACK				Pct	Set		SERVE			RE	DIG		BLOCKING					
		K	K/Game	E	TA		A	A/Game	SA	SE	SA/Gm		DIG	Dig/G	BS	BA	Total	B/Game	BE	BHE
15 Nicole Branagh	30	163	5.43	36	327	.388	4	0.13	15	24	0.50	10	64	2.13	1	11	12	0.40	3	2
3 Yvonne Wichert	31	120	3.87	38	247	.332	3	0.10	5	10	0.16	10	49	1.58	1	8	9	0.29	1	1
11 Sonja Posthuma	29	68	2.34	27	136	.301	18	0.62	6	8	0.21	16	86	2.97	2	12	14	0.48	2	0
10 Stephanie Hagen	29	59	2.03	17	118	.356	4	0.14	2	3	0.07	1	19	0.66	5	25	30	1.03	0	1
4 Erica Glaser	24	48	2.00	13	75	.467	0	0.00	1	7	0.04	2	12	0.50	5	15	20	0.83	2	0
18 Jill McDonell	23	30	1.30	5	60	.417	12	0.52	7	3	0.30	3	38	1.65	0	2	2	0.09	2	0
8 Heather Baxter	18	22	1.22	8	51	.275	4	0.22	5	3	0.28	0	19	1.06	1	5	6	0.33	3	0
2 Lindsey Berg	28	20	0.71	10	52	.192	363	12.96	18	13	0.64	0	50	1.79	0	12	12	0.43	3	7
14 Susan Shudlick	20	2	0.10	3	7	-.143	63	3.15	5	4	0.25	1	15	0.75	1	0	1	0.05	1	0
13 Heather Swenson	13	1	0.08	0	1	1.000	1	0.08	2	3	0.15	0	8	0.62	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
6 Ali Berres	22	1	0.05	0	1	1.000	2	0.09	5	4	0.23	0	25	1.14	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
16 Morning Song Manning	11	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	1	0.00	1	10	0.91	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
0 Team	0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	3	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
Total.....	32	534	16.69	157	1075	.351	474	14.81	71	83	2.22	47	395	12.34	16	90	61.0	1.91	17	11
Opponents.....	32	380	11.88	184	1091	.180	349	10.91	47	92	1.47	77	311	9.72	13	79	52.5	1.64	10	23

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
ATTACK.....			9-1-98	WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY	W	3-0	699
Kills.....	534	380	9-4-98	vs Virginia	W	3-2	313
Errors.....	157	184	9-5-98	vs Loyola (Md.)	W	3-0	300
Total Attacks.....	1075	1091	9-5-98	vs Buffalo	W	3-0	300
Attack Pct.....	.351	.180	9-5-98	at Navy	W	3-0	250
Kills/Game.....	16.7	11.9	9-7-98	at American	W	3-2	172
SET.....			9-11-98	OREGON	W	3-0	881
Assists.....	474	349	9-12-98	WAKE FOREST	W	3-0	1008
Assists/Game.....	14.8	10.9	9-12-98	MISSOURI	W	3-1	1008
SERVE.....			* denotes conference game				
Aces.....	71	47					
Errors.....	83	92					
Aces/Game.....	2.2	1.5					
SERVE RECEPTIONS.....							
Errors.....	47	77					
Errors/Game.....	1.5	2.4					
DEFENSE.....							
Digs.....	395	311					
Digs/Game.....	12.3	9.7					
BLOCKING.....							
Block Solo.....	16	13					
Block Assist.....	90	79					
Total Blocks.....	61.0	52.5					
Blocks Per Game.....	1.9	1.6					
Block Errors.....	17	10					
BALL HANDLING ERRORS.....	11	23					
ATTENDANCE.....							
Total.....	3596	422					
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	4/899	2/211					
Neutral site #/Avg.....	3/304						

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**1998 Minnesota Soccer
Schedule & Results**

Overall: 3-1-0 Big Ten: 0-0

September

1	at Cincinnati	L, 1-0
7	Minnesota-Duluth	W, 7-0
11	Wisconsin-Green Bay	W, 7-0
13	Purdue	W, 4-2
18	at Iowa*	3 p.m.
21	at Washington State	2 p.m.
25	Wisconsin*	4 p.m.
27	Northwestern*	1 p.m.

October

2	at Michigan State*	3 p.m.
4	at Michigan*	1 p.m.
9	at Penn State*	7 p.m.
11	Ohio State*	1 p.m.
16	Indiana*	3 p.m.
18	Illinois*	1 p.m.
24	at Texas Christian	1 p.m.
25	at Southern Methodist	3 p.m.
30	Nevada-Las Vegas @ New Mexico	5 p.m.

November

1	at New Mexico	11 a.m.
5-8	Big Ten Championships at Penn State	

**Home matches in bold at the St. Paul
Campus Soccer Field**

All times local

***-Big Ten match**



**Minnesota Soccer
September 15, 1998**

**Minnesota at Iowa
Friday, Sept. 18, 1998, 3 p.m. CST**

**Minnesota at Washington State
Monday, Sept. 21, 1998, 2 p.m. PST**

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THIS WEEK—Minnesota takes to the road for a pair of games this week with a three-game winning streak in hand.

The Gophers open the Big Ten season Friday when they travel to Iowa City, Iowa to take on the Iowa Hawkeyes. Game time at the Iowa Soccer Field is 3 p.m. CST. That will be followed by a trip west to face Washington State in Pullman, Wash., Monday, Sept. 21, at 2 p.m. PST.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—Minnesota extended its winning streak to three games over the weekend by defeating Wisconsin-Green Bay, 7-0, and Purdue, which is not playing a full Big Ten schedule this season, 4-0, in a pair of non-conference games.

On Friday, the Phoenix kept the Gophers in check through the first half thanks to the goalkeeping of Heather Friedman, who stopped 14 of 15 shots on goal through the opening 45 minutes of play.

Laurie Seidl (St. Charles, Ill./St. Charles) got Minnesota's lone goal of the first half, at 20:35, and eventually gave the Gophers a 2-0 lead at 52:03.

Minnesota then wore down UW-GB and went on a scoring spree, tallying five goals in under 10 minutes, including three in 1:30.

Seidl completed her hat trick at 65:20 and **Alison Rackley (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm)** tallied 31 seconds later and notched her second goal at 66:50.

Amy Koehler (Maple Grove, Minn./Osseo) tapped in a loose ball at the left post at 69:53 and **Nicole Lee (Champlin, Minn./Champlin Park)** rounded out the scoring at 74:44.

The Gophers outshot the Phoenix 44-1 with a 30-0 advantage in shots on goal. **Juli Montgomery (St. Paul, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall)** and **Corinne Bolder (Dale City, Va./Gar-Field)** each had two assists in the game.

Sunday's game was somewhat different from Minnesota's earlier 7-0 wins over Minnesota-Duluth (Sept. 7) and UW-GB as the Boilermakers, in their first season of competition, scored two goals in the opening 3:12 to set the defending Big Ten champions on their heels.

Seidl got Minnesota on the board in the 32nd minute and **Rackley** tied the game just over a minute later.

In the second half **Seidl** took over, scoring in the 57th and 60th minutes to give the Gophers a 4-2 win and complete her second consecutive hat trick.

Minnesota outshot Purdue 13-5 with **Dana Larson (Delaware, Ohio/Hayes)** stopping three shots for the Gophers.

IOWA RECENTLY—The Hawkeyes got five goals from Kate Walse in defeating Kansas, 5-1, on Friday and Western Illinois, 7-0, on Sunday.

Walse had two goals and an assist and Marcy Nelson had a goal and two assists Friday in the win over Kansas. The Hawkeyes had a 23-10 advantage in shots and a 12-1 advantage in corner kicks in a game which featured 30 fouls.

Sunday saw Iowa outshoot the Westerwinds 31-2 with an 18-0 advantage in corner kicks while Walse recorded a hat trick to lead the Hawkeyes.

Iowa is slated to face interstate rival Iowa State at home on Tuesday before taking on the Gophers.

WASHINGTON STATE RECENTLY—The Cougars fell to 1-2-2 over the weekend with a pair of neutral-site games against Denver and Cal State-Fullerton in Logan, Utah.

Washington State posted its second consecutive 2-2 tie on Friday when they played to a draw with Denver. Frosh Lindsey Millsbaugh had a goal and an assist to lead the Cougars.

On Sunday, WSU grabbed a 1-0 lead as Deka Dewitt scored at the 52:24 mark but CSF scored twice in the game's final nine minutes to claim the victory.

THE SERIES—Minnesota and Iowa met for the first time last season on Sept. 28 at the **St. Paul Campus Soccer Field**. Minnesota came away a 6-0 victory in that contest.

Likewise, the Gophers and Cougars met for the first time last season in St. Paul, with Minnesota coming away with a 3-2 victory, Sept 7.

WHEN LAST WE MET—The Gophers got points from 10 different players and Jennifer McElmury led the way with a goal and two assists as Minnesota defeated the Hawkeyes 6-0 in St. Paul.

Laurie Seidl scored just 1:39 into the match and the Gophers went on to hold a 27-6 advantage in shots on goal in front of 907 fans at the **St. Paul Campus Soccer Field**, the second-largest crowd to ever witness a game at the facility.

Amy Chippendale scored a pair of goals for Washington State as the Cougars overcame a 2-0 halftime deficit, but **Megan Johnson (Rosemount, Minn./Rosemount)** scored the game-winner at 69:50 for the 21st-ranked Gophers.

EN FUEGO—After scoring nine goals en route to earning Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors last season, **Laurie Seidl** has gotten off to a fast start this season.

In three games last week, **Seidl** burned opponents for eight goals on just 12 shots, including back-to-back hat tricks in wins over UW-Green Bay and Purdue.

Seidl is one of just four players to record a hat trick in the Gophers' six-year history and the second to accomplish the feat in back-to-back games.

Gretchen Brandt turned the trick five years ago, scoring three times against Macalester (9/7/93) and Northern Illinois (9/11/93).

While it took her a team-high 71 shots last season to accumulate her nine goals, **Seidl** has need just 14 shots to score her eight goals this season.

Seidl now has 17 goals and 41 points in just 27 career games. In just her second season, she already ranks seventh in career goals and points on Minnesota's all-time list.

THAT'S USING YOUR HEAD—Not only did **Laurie Seidl** score the first three goals of the game against UW-Green Bay, all three were headers.

Her first and third goals both came off of crosses by frosh defender **Juli Montgomery**. Her second goal came off of a corner kick by junior midfielder **Megan Johnson (Rosemount, Minn./Rosemount)**.

RACK 'EM UP—Frosh forward **Alison Rackley** also had a big week, scoring four goals and 10 points in two games.

After notching her first career goal along with two assists in last Monday's win over Minnesota-Duluth, she scored two goals 59 seconds apart in Friday's win over UW-GB.

Sunday, **Rackley** notched a key goal, scoring the tying goal against Purdue as the Gophers overcame an early 2-0 deficit.

FIRE AT WILL—After totalling just 69 shots in 43 games during her first two seasons, **Nicole Lee** has stepped up to the firing line, cranking out 19 in her first four games this season.

The junior forward, who finished third on the team in scoring as a frosh and second last season while leading the team with 13 goals, fired nine shots against UW-Green Bay.

NOT SO FROSH—Minnesota has had four first-year players step into roles that have them contributing during their rookie campaigns.

Alison Rackley is second on the team in goals (4), assists (2) and points (10) and has formed a formidable forward trio along with **Nicole Lee** and **Laurie Seidl**.

Juli Montgomery has started four games as a defender and is tops on the team at that position with two points.

Samantha Meyers (Frederick, Md./Jefferson) has started four games in the midfield for the Gophers, logging 225 minutes of playing time and seven shots.

Allyson Brodie (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm), a high school teammate of **Rackley**, has come off the bench in all four games and has logged 169 minutes of action.

THE COACHES—Two-time Big Ten Coach of the Year **Sue Montagne** is in her sixth season at Minnesota.

The only coach in the history of the Gopher program, **Montagne** has led her squads to a pair of Big Ten titles and appearances in the NCAA Tournament the past three seasons.

A member of three NCAA Final Four teams and team MVP as a senior, **Montagne** received her bachelor's degree in sport management from Massachusetts in 1989.

During her tenure at Minnesota, she has amassed a 73-28-8 overall record and a 22-6-3 Big Ten record.

Iowa coach Stephanie Gabbert, named the Coach of the Year for first-year programs by the *Soccer Buzz*, is in her second season as a head coach.

A 1990 graduate of Missouri-St. Louis with a degree in psychology, Gabbert spent four seasons as an assistant coach at Wisconsin before taking on her current position.

HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE—In its fifth and final year as the home to the University of Minnesota women's soccer program, the **St. Paul Campus Soccer Field**, with seating for 1,200 and an overflow capacity of 2,000, has proven to be a tough place for visiting teams to play.

In five years, the Gophers have amassed a 36-4-4 home record, an impressive .864 winning percentage.

Following the 1998 season, a multimillion dollar complex will be built on the site, due in large part to a gift of \$900,000 from Deborah Robbie Olson in the name of her mother Elizabeth Lyle Robbie.

1998 Minnesota Soccer 3-3-3-3

UP NEXT—The Gophers return home for a pair of weekend Big Ten games, beginning with their Border Battle showdown versus Wisconsin, Sept. 25, at 4 p.m.

On Sunday, Sept. 27, Minnesota will seek revenge as they face Northwestern, which knocked the Gophers out of the Big Ten tournament last year. Game time is 1 p.m.

GONE POLLING—Here are the latest women's college soccer polls.

NSCAA/Umbro — As of Sept. 15

School	Record	Pts	LW
1. North Carolina	4-0-0	300	1
2. Santa Clara	5-0-0	286	3
3. Notre Dame	4-1-0	272	2
4. Connecticut	4-0-0	266	4
5. Florida	5-0-0	254	5
6. Portland	4-0-0	238	7
7. William & Mary	4-0-0	226	10
8t. Penn State	4-0-0	200	16
8t. Texas A & M	4-1-0	202	9
10. Michigan	4-0-0	194	11
11. Duke	3-2-0	160	14t
12. Dartmouth	1-0-1	152	NR
13. Virginia	3-2-0	150	6
14. Brigham Young	4-0-0	142	21
15. Harvard	1-1-0	116	19
16. Vanderbilt	5-0-0	108	21
17. Nebraska	2-1-0	94	14t
18. Clemson	2-2-0	90	8
19. Northwestern	3-0-1	84	NR
20. Hartford	2-2-0	74	14t
21. San Diego State	4-1-0	52	12
22. Stanford	3-1-1	41	20
23. Marquette	4-0-1	38	NR
24. Baylor	4-0-0	34	NR
25. UCLA	2-1-0	7	23

Also receiving votes: Southern Methodist, *Minnesota*, George Mason, UNC-Charlotte, Georgia, Syracuse, Old Dominion.

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL RANKINGS—

1. Notre Dame, 4-1-0
2. Michigan, 4-0-0
3. Northwestern, 3-0-1
4. Marquette, 1-0-1
5. *Minnesota, 3-1-0*
6. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2-2-0
7. Ohio State, 4-0-0
8. Cincinnati, 1-2-1
9. Dayton, 4-2-0
10. Indiana, 4-0-0.

Soccer Buzz — As of Sept. 15

School	Record	Pts
1t. North Carolina	4-0-0	2
1t. Santa Clara	5-0-0	1
3. Notre Dame	4-1-0	3
4. Connecticut	4-0-0	4
5. Florida	5-0-0	8
6. William & Mary	4-0-0	12
7. Texas A&M	4-1-0	10
8. Duke	3-2-0	11
9. Brigham Young	4-0-0	13
10. Vanderbilt	5-0-0	14
11. Portland	4-0-0	16
12. Hartford	2-2-0	6
13. Penn State	4-0-0	19
14. Michigan	4-0-0	20
15. Virginia	3-2-0	9
16. Dartmouth	1-0-1	NR
17. Harvard	1-1-0	5
18. Nebraska	2-1-0	25
19. Clemson	2-2-0	7
20. <i>Minnesota</i>	3-1-0	23
21. San Diego State	4-1-0	18
22. Baylor	4-0-0	NR
23. Marquette	4-0-1	NR
24. UCLA	4-1-0	25t
25. UNC-Charlotte	4-1-0	NR

Also receiving votes: Cal-Irvine, George Mason, Georgia, Northwestern, Southern Methodist, Wake Forest.

University of Minnesota Women's Soccer

1998 Overall Statistics

Record: 3-1-0

No.	Player	GP	GS	Minutes	Shots	G	A	Pts	GWG
16	Laurie Seidl	4	4	252 : 47	14	8	0	16	2
6	Alison Rackley	4	4	278 : 12	13	4	2	10	0
2	Nicole Lee	4	4	278 : 38	19	3	3	9	1
15	Corinne Bolder	4	0	193 : 15	10	1	2	4	0
7	Amy Koehler	4	0	149 : 22	3	1	2	4	0
22	Megan Johnson	4	4	167 : 29	6	1	1	3	0
11	Juli Montgomery	4	4	194 : 45	4	0	2	2	0
12	Erika Kruse	4	0	212 : 14	2	0	2	2	0
5	Samantha Meyers	4	4	224 : 57	7	0	0	0	0
20	Erika Berghauer	2	0	52 : 07	5	0	0	0	0
13	Kelly Shea	4	4	162 : 34	3	0	0	0	0
10	Erin Holland	4	4	308 : 05	2	0	0	0	0
3	Vanessa Touset	4	4	268 : 10	2	0	0	0	0
14	Noelle Papenhausen	4	4	253 : 08	1	0	0	0	0
25	Jamie Wyffels	4	0	230 : 57	1	0	0	0	0
8	Allyson Brodie	4	0	169 : 29	0	0	0	0	0
18	Sarah FitzGerald	4	0	94 : 57	0	0	0	0	0
17	Rose Grimm	2	0	43 : 47	0	0	0	0	0
24	Natalie Fevig	2	0	23 : 00	0	0	0	0	0
23	Megan O'Leary	1	0	22 : 47	0	0	0	0	0
19	Jada Hansen	2	0	19 : 20	0	0	0	0	0
00	Dana Larson	4	4	291 : 50	0	0	0	0	0
1	Julie Eibensteiner	2	0	68 : 10	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota		4	4	360 : 00	92	18	14	50	3
Opponents		4	4	360 : 00	18	3	3	9	1

Total Shots

Minnesota	51	41	=	92
Opponents	11	7	=	18

Corner Kicks

Minnesota	13	12	=	25
Opponents	4	3	=	7

Fouls

Minnesota	20	15	=	35
Opponents	18	15	=	33

Penalty Kicks— Minnesota 0-0. Opponents 0-0.

Yellow Cards— Minnesota 1 (Vanessa Touset 1). Opponents 0.

No.	Goalie	GP	GS	Minutes	Saves	GA	GAA	SO	Shared	Record
1	Julie Eibensteiner	2	0	68 : 10	0	0	0.00	0	2	0-0-0
00	Dana Larson	4	4	291 : 50	7	3	0.93	0	2	3-1-0
Minnesota		4	4	360 : 00	7	3	0.75	2	2	3-1-0
Opponents		4	4	360 : 00	39	18	4.50	1	0	1-3-0

1998 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Intrasquad Gold 24, Maroon 31
 11 Drake Dual 1st of 2 teams (26)
 19 St. Olaf Invitational 11 a.m.
 26 Roy Griak Invitational Noon

OCTOBER

- 2 Eau Claire Quad 4 p.m.
 10 NCAA Pre-Meet (Kansas) TBA
 17 Iowa State Memorial 10:30 a.m.
 23 Minnesota Qualifier 4 p.m.
 31 Big Ten Championship TBA
 (Michigan)

NOVEMBER

- 8 Rocky's Run 10:30 a.m.
 14 Midwest Regional TBA
 (Wichita State)
 23 NCAA Championship TBA
 (University of Kansas)

All home meets in caps and bold held at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course

FinishLynx/NCAA Division I Preseason Poll August 31, 1998

1.	Brigham Young (8)	224
2.	Stanford (1)	217
3.	Dartmouth	198
4.	Colorado	191
5.	Michigan	186
6.	Providence	175
7.	Oregon	157
8.	North Carolina State	156
9.	Arkansas	145
10.	Wisconsin	144
11.	Georgetown	141
12.	Boston College	137
13.	Missouri	106
14.	Wake Forest	99
15.	Washington	85
16.	Weber State	79
17.	Florida	78
18.	Colorado State	68
19.	North Carolina	62
20.	Nebraska	54
21.	West Virginia	52
22.	Baylor	30
23.	Arizona	26
24.	Bowling Green	24
25.	Villanova	19

Other Teams Also Receiving Votes:
 William & Mary 17, Minnesota 14,
 Army 11, Baylor 8, Georgia 8,
 Northern Arizona 8, Cornell 2, Notre
 Dame 2, Coastal Carolina 1, UCLA 1.

Minnesota Cross Country

September 15, 1998

Minnesota at the St. Olaf Invitational
 Saturday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m.
 Northfield, Minn.

SID Contact: Crystal Colby (612) 624-3335



GOPHERS TRAVEL TO ST. OLAF — Minnesota travels to Northfield, Minn., for the St. Olaf Invitational, Saturday, Sept. 19.

MINNESOTA IN THE POLLS — Minnesota received 14 votes in the FinishLynx/NCAA Division I Preseason Cross Country Poll. Last season, the Gophers were ranked as high as No. 22. The first poll of the season will be released Sept. 28.

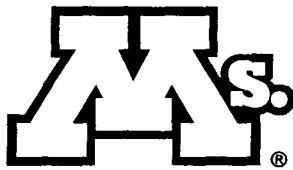
DRAKE DUAL RESULTS — The Gophers, led by junior transfer **Rasa Michniovaite (Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius)**, narrowly defeated Drake University, 26-29, at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. **Michniovaite** won her first meet as a Gopher with a time of 17:51.1. Sophomore **Elaine Eggleston (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** was second in 17:59.0, while sophomore **Corinne Nimtze (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie)** was the Gophers' third finisher, sixth overall, in 18:56.5.

PERSONAL RECORDS SET AT THE DRAKE DUAL — Four athletes set personal bests Friday at the Drake Dual. Sophomore **Deb Hudleston (Minneapolis, Minn./De La Salle)** had the biggest drop, nearly a minute off her previous best of 20:16 to 19:17.4. Junior **Gena Johnson (Fond du Lac, Wis./Goodrich)** took 30 seconds off her record with a 19:25.1. Sophomore **Elaine Eggleston** took off over 22 seconds with her time of 17:59.0, and sophomore **Hayley Singer (Appleton, Wis./East)** improved her personal best by three seconds to 21:52.3.

THE ROY GRIAK INVITATIONAL — Minnesota will host the annual Roy Griak Invitational Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. The meet features six different races: Division I women, Division II and III women, Division I men, Division II and III men, high school girls and high school boys. Women's Division I teams scheduled to compete include Oregon, UCLA, Providence, Boston College, Penn State, Weber State, Ohio University, Bowling Green, Nebraska, Iowa State and Minnesota. The Women's Division I race will begin at noon.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — Gary Wilson enters his 14th season as head cross country and track and field coach at the University of Minnesota. Last season, Minnesota placed 21st at the NCAA Cross Country Championships after a third-place finish in the Big Ten Conference and NCAA Midwest Regional. Minnesota has finished in the upper half of the conference 10 of the past 11 seasons and has been ranked among the nation's top 25 teams in eight of the past 11 seasons. Wilson was named the 1989 Region IV Coach of the Year after guiding the Gophers to a second-place finish at the Region IV championship. Before coming to Minnesota, Wilson built a Division III powerhouse at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, where he coached the women's teams to three consecutive national track and field championships and one national cross country championship. He also coached the men's track and field team for seven years. In all, his La Crosse teams won 21 conference championships.

UP NEXT — The Gophers host the annual Roy Griak Invitational, Saturday, Sept. 26.



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 Minnesota Inv. 3rd of 13 teams
- 25-27 Lady Northern (West Lafayette, Ind.) TBA

OCTOBER

- 12-13 Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot Out (Bloomington, Ind.)
- 23-24 Notre Dame Inv. (South Bend, Ind.)

FEBRUARY

- 27-28 Midwest Classic (Dallas, Tex.)

MARCH

- 8-9 Peggy Kirk Invitational (Winter Springs, Fla.)
- 27-28 Myrtle Beach Classic (Myrtle Beach, S.C.)

APRIL

- 10-11 Indiana Invitational (Bloomington, Ind.)
- 17-18 Hawkeye Invitational (Iowa City, Iowa)
- 24-25 Buckeye Invitational (Columbus, Ohio)
- 30 Big Ten Championship (West Lafayette, Ind.)

MAY

- 1-2 Big Ten Championship (West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 6-8 NCAA East Regional (U. of South Carolina)
- 19-22 NCAA Championship (Tulsa University)

Home tournament played at the U. of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course



Minnesota Golf 1998-99

Lady Northern Tournament
Friday-Sunday, Sept. 25-27
West Lafayette, Ind.

SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHER GOLFERS OFF THIS WEEK – The University of Minnesota Golden Gopher women's golf team is off this week after placing third in its own Minnesota Invitational last weekend. The Gophers' next competition is Friday-Sunday, Sept. 25-27, at the Lady Northern Tournament, hosted by Purdue.

1998-99 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GOLF ROSTER –

Name	Yr.	Hometown/High School/College
Katie Bakken	So.	Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center/Cal
Michelle Ballou ***	Sr.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
Donna Boom *	Sr.	Albert Lea, Minn./Albert Lea
Jenny Bruun	So.	Crookston, Minn./Central
Cindy Cannon	Fr.	Big Lake, Minn./Monticello
Marilee Dahlman	Fr.	Marshalltown, Iowa/Marshalltown
Kristin Dooley	Fr.	Albany, Minn./Albany
Monica Haag	So.	Duluth, Minn./Duluth East
Laura Krumenauer	Fr.	Onalaska, Wis./Holmen
Melanie Lepp ****	Sr.	Easton, Minn./United South Central
Emily Norby	Sr.	Grand Forks, N.D./Red River/Ohio State
Julie Skavanger	Fr.	Osseo, Minn./Champlin Park
Megan Stier	Fr.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine
Kristi Weichert *	Sr.	Caledonia, Minn./Caledonia
Arminda Yutuc	Fr.	La Crosse, Wis./Central

Captains

Head Coach: Kathy Williams
Assistant Coach: Glen Peterson
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Sheryl Maize

GOPHERS THIRD IN MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL – Coaches love to boast about their teams' depth. The performance of the University of Minnesota women's golf team in the Minnesota Invitational on Saturday-Sunday (Sept. 12-13) was living proof that the Golden Gopher squad is as deep in talent as it's ever been.

Head coach **Kathy Williams'** squad was split for the competition, with the maroon squad designated as the varsity squad and the team whose finish would count in the final standings. The Gophers' gold squad would not be eligible to count in the team standings but could compete as individuals.

While Minnesota's maroon squad officially placed third with a team score of 633, the gold squad bettered their teammates by seven strokes tallying an unofficial score of 626.

Jenny Bruun (Crookston, Minn./Central), a Gopher playing on an individual basis, was the top Minnesota finisher, placing fourth with a 36-hole score of 151 on the 5,955-yard, par 74 Les Bolstad University of Minnesota Golf Course. **Bruun** hit a 1-over par 75 in Sunday's final round.

Senior **Melanie Lepp** (Easton, Minn./United South Central) moved from sixth place into a tie for fourth in the final round, carding a 152 after rounds of 77 and 75. California transfer **Katie Bakken** (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center) placed sixth in her first tournament as a Golden Gopher. **Bakken** rebounded from a round of 80 in the first round of the tournament, with a 1-under par 73 in the second round to finish with a score of 153.

Southern Illinois golfers captured medalist and runner-up honors in leading the Salukis to the invitational title. Southern Illinois posted a team score of 619 in the two-day event to break away from a first-round tie with Southwest Missouri State, which finished second with a team total of 624.

Southern Illinois' Alison Hiller captured individual honors with a score of 148. Hiller needed a 1-under par 73 effort to fend off a second-round rally by teammate Andrea Walker, who finished second at 150. Walker posted the invitational's best individual round on Sunday, tallying a 2-under par 72. First-round leader Melissa Robertson of Southwest Missouri State fell off the pace to finish in a tie for fourth with total of 152, after shooting an even-par 74 to take the lead after the first day of action.

**Minnesota Women's Golf Invitational
Les Bolstad University of Minnesota G.C.
St. Paul, Minn.**

Par 74, 5,955 Yards

Team Standings

1. Southern Illinois 307-312-619
2. SW Missouri St. 307-317-624
3. Minnesota 321-312-633
4. Missouri-Kansas City 321-315-636
5. Northern Illinois 326-320-646
6. Bradley 324-325-649
7. Northern Iowa 325-326-651
8. Creighton 328-329-657
9. Truman State 336-337-673
10. Wisconsin-Eau Claire 342-351-693
11. Wisconsin-Stevens Point 366-348-714
12. Wisconsin-Superior 448-444-892

Top 20 (* Competing as individuals)

1. Alison Hiller (So. Illinois) 75-73-148
2. Andrea Walker (So. Illinois) 78-72-150
3. Jenny Bruun* (Minnesota) 76-75-151
4. Melissa Robertson (SW Missouri State) 74-78-152

6. Melanie Lepp (Minnesota) 77-75-152
6. Katie Bakken* (Minnesota) 80-73-153
7. Jaime Geer (Truman St.) 79-75-154
- Casey Connell (SW Missouri State) 75-79-154
9. Jessica Nelson (Loyola) 79-77-156
- Erin Shinafelt (Missouri-K.C.) 78-78-156
11. Carey Farmer (Missouri-K.C.) 80-77-157
- Tracy Barron (N. Illinois) 77-80-157
- Jessica Bennett (Missouri-K.C.) 79-78-157
- Kathryn Howard (SW Missouri State) 79-78-157
15. Laura Larson (N. Iowa) 80-78-158
- Kelly Dillon (Bradley) 76-82-158
17. Kristi Weichert (Minnesota) 81-79-160
- Kristen Dooley* (Minnesota) 80-80-160
19. Lindsay Henage (S. Illinois) 77-48-161
20. Mary Anne Locher (Bradley) 86-76-162
- Elizabeth Uthoff (S. Illinois) 77-85-162
- Jennifer Martens (Creighton) 81-81-162
- Julie Skavanger* (Minnesota) 81-81-162

Minnesota Finishes:

3. Jenny Bruun* 76-75-151
- t4. Melanie Lepp 77-75-152
6. Katie Bakken* 80-73-153
- t17. Kristi Weichert 81-79-160
- t17. Kristen Dooley* 80-80-160
20. Julie Skavanger* 81-81-162
- t24. Emily Norby 83-80-163
- t24. Donna Boom 85-78-163
- t27. Cindy Cannon* 80-84-164
- t27. Arminda Yutuc* 78-86-164
- t45. Michelle Ballou 80-89-169
- t52. Beth Hollatz* 85-86-171
- t58. Megan Stier 86-87-173

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Mission Statement**

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, Oct. 9
SC at Penn State 7 p.m.
VB at Michigan 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 10
CC at Bob Timmons Invite 11 a.m.
(Lawence, Kan.)
VB at Michigan State 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 11
SC hosts Ohio State 1 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 12
GO at Big Ten vs. Big 12 Shootout
(Bloomington, Ind.)

Tuesday, Oct. 13
GO at Big Ten vs. Big 12 Shootout
(Bloomington, Ind.)

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What's Coming Up

Volleyball

- No. 22 Gophers continue Big Ten road trip
- Gophers take on Michigan Friday, Michigan State Saturday

Soccer

- Golden Gophers travel to Penn State
- Minnesota returns home Sunday vs. Ohio State

Cross Country

- Gophers travel to Kansas for NCAA Pre-National Meet Saturday

Golf

- Minnesota competes at Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout

Gopher Highlights

Volleyball

- Gophers split over weekend, defeating Iowa but losing to No. 6 Wisconsin
- Nicole Branagh slams 32 kills versus Iowa

Soccer

- Minnesota wins two on the road in Michigan
- Laurie Seidl scores winning goal to defeat No. 24 Michigan

Cross Country

- Minnesota wins Blugold Open

Tennis

- Nora Sauska and Jen Howard team up to win doubles title at UNLV Invitational

*Catch what
you've been
Missing!*

**1998 Minnesota Soccer
Schedule & Results**

Overall: 7-3-0 Big Ten: 3-2-0

September

1	at Cincinnati	L, 1-0
7	Minnesota-Duluth	W, 7-0
11	Wisconsin-Green Bay	W, 7-0
13	Purdue	W, 4-2
18	at Iowa*	W, 3-0
21	at Washington State	W, 4-2
25	Wisconsin*	L, 2-0
27	Northwestern*	L, 2-1

October

2	at Michigan State*	W, 4-1
4	at Michigan*	W, 1-0
9	at Penn State*	7 p.m.
11	Ohio State*	1 p.m.
16	Indiana*	3 p.m.
18	Illinois*	1 p.m.
24	at Texas Christian	1 p.m.
25	at Southern Methodist	3 p.m.
30	Nevada-Las Vegas (at New Mexico)	5 p.m.

November

1	at New Mexico	11 a.m.
5-8	Big Ten Championships (at Penn State)	

Home matches in bold at the St. Paul
Campus Soccer Field

All times local

*-Big Ten match



**Minnesota Soccer
October 6, 1998**

**Minnesota at #6 Penn State
Friday, Oct. 9, 1998, 7 p.m. EST**

**Ohio State at Minnesota
Sunday, Oct. 11, 1998, 1 p.m. CST**

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota will be on the road Friday before returning home Sunday as it continues Big Ten action.

Friday, the Gophers will travel to University Park, Pa., to take on sixth-ranked Penn State at 7 p.m. EST. They return home to the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field Sunday to take on Ohio State beginning at 1 p.m.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The Gophers rebounded from a pair of home losses, Nov. 25 and 27, by claiming a pair of road wins, including their first win against a ranked opponent this season.

Minnesota got a pair of goals from Laurie Seidl (St. Charles, Ill./St. Charles) and Nicole Lee (Champlin, Minn./Champlin Park) en route to a 4-1 win at Michigan State, Friday.

Seidl scored just 3:38 into the game, and Lee made it 2-0 at the 26:08 mark, before Seidl finished a Corinne Bolder (Dale City, Va./Gar-Field) assist at 36:01 for her fourth multiple-goal game of the year. Lee then scored at 54:65 and Minnesota held the Spartans off the scoreboard until the hosts scored with just 32 seconds to play.

Sunday saw the Gophers post a 1-0 win over 24th-ranked Michigan in Ann Arbor, Mich., behind a season-high 10-save effort by Dana Larson (Delaware, Ohio/Hayes) and Seidl's 12th goal of the season.

Seidl scored the game's only goal at 26:57 and Larson made it stand up, stopping seven shots in the second half.

PENN STATE RECENTLY—The sixth-ranked Nittany Lions remained unbeaten at 10-0-1 with a pair of wins over the weekend.

Friday, Penn State got a goal from Bonnie Young just 58 seconds into the second half and the Nittany Lions outshot Ohio State 16-4 in a 1-0 home win.

Penn State then travelled to Seton Hall, Sunday, for a non-conference game, earning a 3-1 win. Carole Dutchka, Samantha Abelson and Courtney Lawson each had goals for the Nittany Lions, who outshot their hosts 18-9.

OHIO STATE RECENTLY—The Buckeyes fell to 6-4-0 overall and 1-4-0 in the Big Ten with Friday's 1-0 loss at Penn State.

Goalkeeper Amber Barnes made six saves but Ohio State struggled in the second half, being outshot 10-1 after losing team scoring leader Becky Borchers to a red card with just 30 seconds left in the first half.

After opening the season with five straight wins, the Buckeyes have now dropped four of their last five games, including a pair of one-goal road losses.

THE SERIES—Minnesota and Penn State have split four previous meetings while the Gophers are unbeaten against Ohio State, posting a 5-0-1 record in six meetings.

WHEN LAST WE MET—The Nittany Lions came to the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field Oct. 17, 1997, and promptly took a 3-0 lead as Carol Dutchka assisted on one goal and gave Penn State its 3-0 lead at the game's 14:37 mark.

The score remained that way until Vanessa Tousef (Woodbridge, Va./Gar-Field)

finally got the Gophers on the board in the 63rd minute to begin a furious rally that resulted in a 4-3 Minnesota win in overtime.

Penn State still held a 3-1 lead heading into the final 10 minutes of regulation but Erin Holland (Montreal, Quebec/Centennial Region) scored with 9:37 to play and Nicole Lee finished off a Laurie Seidl assist to tie the game with 1:42 left in regulation. Seidl capped the four-goal rally with the game-winner in the eighth minute of overtime.

Minnesota also needed overtime to top Ohio State in the last meeting between the two teams, Oct. 12, 1997. Seidl scored in the game's 119th minute as the Gophers clinched the 1997 Big Ten title in Columbus, Ohio.

SEIDLING UP—After being held without a goal for three games, Laurie Seidl came back with a three-goal weekend, giving her 12 goals in 10 games this season.

Seidl scored a pair of first-half goals in Friday's 4-1 win at Michigan State and then tallied the game's lone goal Sunday as the Gophers posted a 1-0 win at Michigan.

She currently leads the Big Ten Conference with 12 goals and is tied with teammate Nicole Lee for the conference scoring lead with 24 points.

WON'T GET FOOLED AGAIN—With her scoring exploits through 10 games, Laurie Seidl won't sneak up on anyone, especially this week's opponents, Penn State and Ohio State.

Seidl helped secure her Big Ten Newcomer of the Year Award against those two schools last season, scoring in overtime against both.

She clinched the Big Ten title for the Gophers when she scored in the 119th minute against the Buckeyes and, five days later, assisted on the game-tying goal in the 89th minute and scored the game-winner nine minutes later versus PSU.

LEEN ON ME—Junior forward Nicole Lee has helped provide the foundation of this year's squad, leading the team with four assists while sharing the team scoring lead with Laurie Seidl with 24 points.

Lee recorded her fourth two-goal game of the season in Friday's 4-1 win at Michigan State, giving her 10 goals and 24 points in 10 games this season.

With her two goals over the weekend, Lee moved into fourth place on Minnesota's career goals list with 31 and is currently fifth in career points with 75, needing just nine points to move into the top three.

DYNAMIC DUO—Combined, Nicole Lee and Laurie Seidl have notched 22 of Minnesota's 31 goals on the season and have scored all seven game-winners, with Lee tallying four and Seidl three. The pair has also combined to take 75 of the Gophers' 189 shots.

LARSON LARGE IN GOAL—Junior goalkeeper Dana Larson posted her best outing of the season Sunday, turning aside 10 Michigan shots, including seven in the second half.

On the weekend, Larson stopped all 12 shots she faced and has a shutout streak of 156:30.

AMID THE MASSES—Although her play hasn't shown on the scoresheet as much as others, Erin Holland has been a steadying force in the midfield for the Gophers.

She has 10 shots and one assist on the season but leads the team in minutes played, averaging 78 minutes per game.

NOT SO FROSH—With the absence of All-American candidate Vanessa Touset from the lineup Sunday, due to a red card, the defense carried a great deal of the burden in Sunday's win. Among that group was first-year standout Juli Montgomery (St. Paul, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall).

In five Big Ten games, she leads the team with 423 minutes played. Montgomery has played a full 90 minutes in three of Minnesota's five conference games.

THE COACHES—Two-time Big Ten Coach of the Year Sue Montagne is in her sixth season at Minnesota.

The only coach in the history of the Gopher program, Montagne has led her squads to a pair of Big Ten titles and appearances in the NCAA Tournament the past three seasons.

A member of three NCAA Final Four teams and team MVP as a senior, Montagne received her bachelor's degree in sport management from Massachusetts in 1989.

During her tenure at Minnesota, she has amassed a 76-30-8 overall record and a 25-8-3 Big Ten record.

Penn State's Pat Farmer is 68-23-10 in five seasons with the Nittany Lions. The 1974 graduate of St. Lawrence is 178-46-26 during a 12-year college career.

Ohio State's Lori Walker was a three-year letterwinner for the powerful North Carolina Tarheels. A 1994 graduate of UNC, she has a 15-13-1 record in two seasons with the Buckeyes and has posted a 28-36-2 record in four seasons as a collegiate coach.

HERE'S WHAT'S GOING ON—Sunday's game versus the Buckeyes will be Girl Scout Day as well as Adidas Team Day.

The Girl Scouts will be honored and Adidas will be providing prizes throughout the game. After the match, Sue Montagne, her staff and players will hold a clinic for the first 100 youth, age 13 and under, to sign up at the game on Sunday.

HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE—In its fifth season as the home to the University of Minnesota women's soccer program, the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field, with seating for 1,200 and an overflow capacity of 2,000, has proven to be a tough place for visiting teams to play.

In five years, the Gophers have amassed a 36-6-4 home record, an impressive .826 winning percentage.

Following the 1998 season, a multimillion dollar complex will be built to house the Gopher women's soccer program, due in large part to a gift of \$800,000 from Deborah Robbie Olson in the name of her mother Elizabeth Lyle Robbie.

Olson has also contributed \$100,000 for a scholarship endowment for the soccer program.

UP NEXT—Minnesota hosts its final two games of the regular season next weekend when they entertain Indiana and Illinois to close out the Big Ten schedule.

1998 Minnesota Soccer 3-3-3-3

The Gophers will host the Hoosiers at 3 p.m., Friday, Oct. 16, before wrapping up the home portion of the 1998 schedule Sunday, Oct. 18, with a 1 p.m. game versus Illinois.

BREAKING IT DOWN—Here is how Minnesota's record breaks down through 10 games.

GOPHER RECORD WHEN:

Scoring first	6-0-0
Opponent scores first	1-3-0
Leading at halftime	6-0-0
Opponent leads at halftime	0-1-0
Tied at halftime	1-2-0
Outscoring opponent in second half	5-0-0
Outscored by opponent in second half	0-2-0
Even with opponent in second half	2-1-0
In overtime	0-0-0
Outshooting opponent	6-1-0
Outshot by opponent	1-2-0
Shots are even	0-0-0
Having more corner kicks than opponent	5-2-0
Opponent has more corner kicks	1-1-0
Corner kicks are even	1-1-0
Big Ten Conference game	3-2-0
Non-conference game	4-1-0
At St. Paul Campus Soccer Field	3-2-0
On the road	4-1-0
At neutral site	0-0-0

BIG TEN STANDINGS—Despite splitting games over the weekend, Wisconsin and Northwestern remain tied atop the Big Ten standings. However, Penn State is unbeaten and two points behind with one game in hand on the leaders.

TEAM	BIG TEN					OVERALL			
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts	W	L	T	Pct.
1. Northwestern	5	1	0	.800	15	9	1	1	.864
Wisconsin	5	1	0	.800	15	6	4	0	.600
3. Penn State	4	0	1	.900	13	10	0	1	.955
4. Indiana	3	1	0	.750	9	7	3	0	.700
Minnesota	3	2	0	.600	9	7	3	0	.700
6. Michigan	2	3	1	.417	7	7	3	1	.682
7. Illinois	1	3	0	.250	3	7	4	0	.638
Ohio State	1	4	0	.200	3	6	4	0	.600
9. Iowa	0	4	2	.167	2	5	4	1	.550
10. Michigan State	0	5	1	.083	1	2	7	2	.272

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Wed., Oct. 7

West Virginia at Ohio State

Fri., Oct. 9

Michigan State at Illinois

Ohio State at Iowa

Indiana at Michigan

Northwestern at Wisconsin

Minnesota at Penn State

Sun., Oct. 11

Michigan at Illinois

Iowa at Penn State

Ohio State at Minnesota

Indiana at Michigan State

Toledo at Wisconsin

GONE POLLING—Here are the latest women's college soccer polls.

NSCAA/Umbro — As of Oct. 6

School	Record	Pts	LW
1. North Carolina	10-0-0	300	1
2. Notre Dame	10-1-0	280	t2
3. Santa Clara	10-0-1	277	t2
4. Connecticut	11-0-0	268	4
5. Florida	10-0-0	253	5
6. Penn State	10-0-1	236	7
7. Portland	9-0-1	234	6
8. Vanderbilt	8-3-0	201	17
9. Stanford	6-1-2	194	15
10. Dartmouth	6-1-1	192	13
11. William & Mary	7-1-1	174	8
12. Clemson	7-3-0	154	14
13. Nebraska	8-2-0	151	19
14. San Diego State	8-1-0	150	t10
15. Hartford	7-3-0	131	16
16. Indiana	7-3-0	119	NR
17. Virginia	7-3-1	100	t10
18. Northwestern	9-1-1	92	9
19. Texas A&M	6-4-0	91	12
20. UCLA	9-1-1	86	18
21. Harvard	5-2-1	50	22
Wake Forest	7-3-1	50	NR
23. Baylor	8-3-0	31	NR
24. Maryland	6-4-0	29	20
25. Brigham Young	8-2-0	25	NR

Also receiving votes: Marquette, George Mason, Georgia.

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL RANKINGS—1. Notre Dame 10-1-0; 2. Indiana 7-3-0; 3. Northwestern 9-1-1; 4. Marquette 8-3-1; 5. Wisconsin 6-4-0; 6. Michigan 7-3-1; 7. Wisconsin-Milwaukee 5-3-1; 8. Cincinnati 5-5-1; 9. Evansville 7-3-2; 10. Illinois 7-5-0.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA SOCCER
 Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Oct 05, 1998)
 All games

Overall: 7-3-0 Conf: 3-2-0 Home: 3-2-0 Away: 4-1-0 Neut: 0-0-0

##	Name	GP-GS	Min	G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	YC-RC	GW	PK-ATT
16	Laurie Seidl	10-10	676	12	0	24	37	.324	0-0	3	0-1
2	Nicole Lee	10-10	740	10	4	24	38	.263	1-0	4	0-0
6	Alison Rackley	10-10	758	5	3	13	22	.227	1-0	0	0-0
15	Corinne Bolder	10-0	490	2	4	8	20	.100	0-0	0	0-0
7	Amy Koehler	10-0	335	1	3	5	5	.200	1-0	0	0-0
22	Megan Johnson	10-10	476	1	1	3	11	.091	0-0	0	0-0
5	Samantha Meyers	10-10	623	0	2	2	10	.000	0-0	0	0-0
11	Juli Montgomery	10-10	689	0	2	2	9	.000	0-0	0	0-0
12	Erika Kruse	9-0	340	0	2	2	2	.000	0-0	0	0-0
10	Erin Holland	10-10	783	0	1	1	10	.000	1-0	0	0-0
13	Kelly Shea	10-10	438	0	1	1	7	.000	0-0	0	0-0
20	Erica Berghauer	2-0	53	0	0	0	5	.000	0-0	0	0-0
14	Noelle Papenhausen	10-5	592	0	0	0	5	.000	1-0	0	0-0
3	Vanessa Touset	9-9	693	0	0	0	4	.000	1-1	0	0-0
25	Jamie Wyffels	10-6	719	0	0	0	2	.000	0-0	0	0-0
8	Allyson Brodie	10-0	339	0	0	0	2	.000	0-0	0	0-0
24	Natalie Fevig	2-0	24	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
23	Megan O'Leary	1-0	23	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
19	Jada Hansen	2-0	20	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
18	Sarah FitzGerald	9-0	145	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
17	Rose Grimm	2-0	44	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
1	Julie Eibensteiner	4-0	158	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
00	Dana Larson	10-0	742	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Total.....		10	9900	31	23	85	189	.164	6-1	7	0-1
Opponents.....		10	-	10	8	28	82	.122	4-1	3	2-2

##	Name	GP-GS	---GOAL AVERAGE---		--SAVES--		----RECORD----			Shots		
			Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	Faced
00	Dana Larson	10-10	741:50	8	0.97	36	.818	7	2	0	3.0	76
1	Julie Eibensteiner	4-0	158:10	2	1.14	3	.600	0	1	0	1.0	6
Total.....		10	900:00	10	1.00	39	.796	7	3	0	4	82
Opponents.....		10	900:00	31	3.10	90	.744	3	7	0	2	189

Team saves: 0

GOALS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	Total
Minnesota.....	15	16	- 31
Opponents.....	3	7	- 10
SHOTS BY PERIOD			
Minnesota.....	102	87	- 189
Opponents.....	38	45	- 83
SAVES BY PERIOD			
Minnesota.....	18	21	- 39
Opponents.....	52	38	- 90

CORNER KICKS BY PRD	1st	2nd	Total
Minnesota.....	26	24	- 50
Opponents.....	11	15	- 26
FOULS BY PERIOD			
Minnesota.....	61	49	- 110
Opponents.....	50	52	- 102

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	MINN	OPP
Total.....	2439	983
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	5/488	5/197
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	0/0	

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TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP
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SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts....	31-189	10-82
Shot pct.....	.164	.122
Goals/Game.....	3.1	1.0
Shots/Game.....	18.9	8.2
Assists.....	23	8
CORNER KICKS.....	50	26
PENALTY KICKS.....	0-1	2-2
OFFSIDES.....	13	19
PENALTIES.....		
Fouls.....	110	102
Yellow cards.....	6	4
Red cards.....	1	1
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OFFSIDES BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	Total
Minnesota.....	5	8	- 13
Opponents.....	8	11	- 19



1998 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

1	Wis.-Green Bay	W, 3-0
4-5	at Naval Academy Tourm. (Annapolis, Md.)	
	vs. Virginia	W, 3-2
	vs. Loyola	W, 3-0
	vs. Buffalo	W, 3-0
	vs. Navy	W, 3-0
7	at American	W, 3-2
11-12	Minnesota Nike Invitational	
11	vs. Oregon	W, 3-0
12	vs. Wake Forest	W, 3-0
	vs. Missouri	W, 3-1
18-19	Diet Coke Classic	
18	vs. Rutgers	W, 3-0
19	vs. Auburn	L, 3-2
21	USA Team (exh.)	L, 3-1
25	Penn State *	L, 3-0
26	Ohio State *	W, 3-1

OCTOBER

2	at Iowa *	W, 3-2
3	at Wisconsin *	L, 3-0
9	at Michigan *	7 p.m.
10	at Michigan State *	7 p.m.
16	Northwestern *	7 p.m.
17	Indiana *	7 p.m.
23	at Purdue *	7:30 p.m.
24	at Illinois *	7 p.m.
30	Wisconsin *	7 p.m.
31	Iowa *	7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

6	Michigan State *	7 p.m.
7	Michigan *	7 p.m.
13	at Ohio State *	7 p.m.
14	at Penn State *	7:30 p.m.
20	at Indiana *	7 p.m.
21	at Northwestern *	7 p.m.
27	Illinois *	7 p.m.
28	Purdue *	7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER

3-6	NCAA First/Second Rounds
10-13	NCAA Regionals
17-19	NCAA Finals (Madison, Wis.)

Home matches in bold played at Sports Pavilion

* Big Ten Matches

Minnesota Volleyball 1998



Minnesota at Michigan
Friday, Oct. 9 – Ann Arbor, Mich.
Minnesota at Michigan State
Saturday, Oct. 10 – East Lansing, Mich.
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GOLDEN GOPHERS CONTINUE ROAD STRETCH — The University of Minnesota volleyball team (12-3, 2-2 Big Ten) plays its second consecutive Big Ten weekend on the road with matches at Michigan and Michigan State. The No. 22 Golden Gophers travel to Ann Arbor, Mich., on Friday, Oct. 9, to face the Wolverines (9-5, 1-3 Big Ten), then on to East Lansing, Mich., to battle the No. 21 Spartans (9-3, 2-2 Big Ten).

BIG TEN RANKS SIX — The Big Ten Conference continues its prominence in the *USA Today*/AVCA Coaches Poll with six league teams listed among the nation's top 25 last week. Joining No. 1 Penn State and No. 6 Wisconsin are No. 18 Ohio State, No. 20 Illinois, No. 21 Michigan State and No. 22 Minnesota. Two other Big Ten schools, Indiana and Northwestern, received votes.

GOPHERS WIN ONE/LOSE ONE OVER WEEKEND — The Gophers split in action last weekend, winning at Iowa by a 3-2 score on Friday, but losing to No. 6 Wisconsin, 3-0, on Saturday.

LIFE IN THE BIG TEN — Life in the Big Ten involves taking on one challenge after another. Three of Minnesota's four Big Ten opponents thus far in '98 have been nationally ranked, including No. 1 Penn State and No. 6 Wisconsin. Yet another nationally ranked conference foe looms on the horizon this weekend when the Gophers play No. 21 Michigan State.

IOWA REVISITED — Sophomore outside hitter **Nicole Branagh (Orinda, Calif./Miramonte)** made her presence known by smashing 32 kills in the Gophers' five-game win at Iowa. She becomes the 18th Gopher to record over 30 kills in a match and the second this season (Yvonne Wichert tagged American for 33 kills). **Branagh** must like the road trip to Iowa. Her previous career high was 27 kills at Iowa during the 1997 season.

BAXTER COMES BACK WITH AN ATTITUDE — Sophomore middle blocker **Heather Baxter (Aurora, Ill./West)** missed the first weekend of Big Ten play with a kidney infection. Last weekend in matches at Iowa and Wisconsin, **Baxter** returned with a vengeance, coming off the bench to contribute 10 kills versus Iowa and six against Wisconsin, in a .387 attack percentage. The Gophers' best defensive middle, **Baxter** added four total blocks, three against the powerful Wisconsin middle attack.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP —

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School/Club*
S	Lindsey Berg	5-8	Fr.	Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou
OH	Nicole Branagh	6-1	So.	Orinda, Calif./Miramonte
OH	Yvonne Wichert	5-11	Fr.	Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden*
OH	Sonja Posthuma	6-0	So.	Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus
MB	Erica Glaser	6-1	So.	Omaha, Neb./Millard North
MB	Stephanie Hagen	6-3	Fr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Hopkins
	or			
DS	Susan Shudlick	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

1998 BIG TEN STANDINGS

(As of Oct. 5)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State	4	0	1.000	14	0	1.000
Wisconsin	4	0	1.000	14	1	.933
Indiana	3	1	.750	10	3	.769
Illinois	3	1	.750	10	4	.714
Minnesota	2	2	.500	12	3	.800
Michigan State	2	2	.500	9	3	.750
Northwestern	1	3	.250	11	5	.786
Michigan	1	3	.250	9	5	.643
Ohio State	1	3	.250	8	5	.615
Purdue	1	3	.250	7	6	.538
Iowa	0	4	.000	6	7	.462

This Week in the Big Ten --

Wed., Oct. 7 Michigan State at Michigan
 Fri., Oct. 9 Iowa at Penn State
 Wisconsin at Ohio State
 Northwestern at Illinois
 Indiana at Purdue
 Minnesota at Michigan
 Sat., Oct. 10 Wisconsin at Penn State
 Indiana at Illinois
 Minnesota at Michigan State
 Northwestern at Purdue
 Iowa at Ohio State

Last Week in the Big Ten --(Home team in CAPS)

Wed., Sept. 30 Wisconsin 3, IOWA 1
 Fri., Oct. 2 Penn State 3, ILLINOIS 2
 INDIANA 3, Michigan State
 Minnesota 3, IOWA 2
 Michigan 3, NORTHWESTERN 0
 Ohio State 3, PURDUE 0
 Sat., Oct. 3 ILLINOIS 3, Ohio State 1
 INDIANA 3, Michigan 0
 Michigan State 3, NORTHWESTERN 0
 WISCONSIN 3, Minnesota 0
 Penn State 3, PURDUE 0

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT — Head coach **Mike Hebert** is in his third season at Minnesota and sports a record of 59-24 (.711) with the Gophers. He has guided the Gophers to consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances and upper echelon Big Ten finishes. Overall in 22 years of coaching, **Hebert** owns a career mark of 631-281 (.692) and has directed teams to NCAA Tournament appearances in each of the last 13 seasons. He is one of just eight active NCAA Division I coaches with over 600 career victories.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** are in their third seasons at Minnesota and fifth on **Mike Hebert's** coaching staff.

GOPHERS WIN IN FIVE AT IOWA — It took five games for the Gophers to pull out a 13-15, 15-8, 16-14, 9-15, 15-12 victory at Iowa on Friday. Four Gophers tallied double-figure kills in the match, led by **Nicole Branagh** with a career-high 32 and **Yvonne Wichert** (Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden) with 20. Both **Branagh** and **Wichert** also recorded double-doubles in the match. **Sonja Posthuma** (Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus) added 15 kills while hitting .400, and **Heather Baxter** finished with 10 kills. Minnesota needed a 86-76 advantage in kills to counter Iowa's 14-5 edge in team blocks.

ERRORS PLAGUE GOPHERS AT WISCONSIN — To defeat a highly ranked team, you must play at your best and avoid mistakes. The Gophers did neither and the result was a 15-9, 15-12, 15-4 defeat at No. 6 Wisconsin on Saturday. Minnesota hit .180 and committed 11 service errors in the match, while the Badgers hit a respectable .285 and outblocked the Gophers by a 11-5 margin. The Gophers had their chances in the second game and built a 12-6 lead. Fortunes turned, however, as the Gophers handed the Badgers six sideouts via serving errors, to open the door for the Wisconsin comeback. After leading 12-6, the Gophers were outscored in the remainder of the match by a 24-4 margin. **Nicole Branagh** was the only Gopher in double-digit kills with 11.

BACK IN ACTION — Sophomore outside hitter **Lisa Aschenbrenner** (Algonquin, Ill./Huntley) saw her first action of the season in the Wisconsin match. **Aschenbrenner** missed the first five weeks of the season with a broken left hand suffered in the Varsity/Alum Challenge in August.

KILLS, KILLS AND MORE KILLS — Gopher leading hitter **Nicole Branagh** is putting up big numbers in the kills category. Averaging 5.40 kills per game, **Branagh** has amassed 286 kills, tallying nine 20-plus kills matches along the way.

SETTING THE STANDARD — Setter **Lindsey Berg** (Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou) has done nothing but excel in her first year with the Gophers. **Berg** is averaging 12.45 assists per game. The owner of one of most dangerous serves in the Big Ten, **Berg** sports a conference-leading 29 service aces.

DEALIN' ACES — Minnesota is the only team in the Big Ten averaging over two service aces per game. The serving of **Nicole Branagh** and **Lindsey Berg** are the reason behind the Gophers' top-ranked status. **Berg** leads the Big Ten with 29 aces (0.57 avg.). **Branagh** is third with 25 aces (0.47 avg.).

INTERNATIONAL FLAIR — The pair of Europeans on the Gopher roster provide more than just an international flair to the starting lineup. Outside hitters **Yvonne Wichert** and **Sonja Posthuma** rank second and third, respectively, on the team in kills. **Wichert** averages 3.30 kills per game. **Posthuma**, a co-captain, contributes 2.46 kills and a team-best 2.48 digs per game.

LINDA SHUDLICK OUT FOR YEAR — Senior co-captain **Linda Shudlick (Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley)** will miss the 1998 season due to a knee injury suffered in spring practice last April. **Shudlick**, a middle blocker, tore the anterior cruciate ligament of her left knee during a blocking drill and underwent surgery in May. She will be eligible for the 1999 season.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

MICHIGAN — Michigan enters a midweek battle with intrastate rival Michigan State with a 9-5 record overall, 1-3 in Big Ten play. The Wolverines have pinned their hopes for a successful 1998 season around a squad with five seniors among the 14 letterwinners back from Michigan's first NCAA tournament team of a year ago. One of those senior, **Karen Chase**, leads the Wolverines with 223 kills or 4.37 kills per game. The Wolverines have split the setting responsibilities between sophomore **Alija Pittenger** and first-year **Shannon Melka**.

Michigan head coach **Greg Giovanazzi** in his seventh season with the Wolverines and sports a 101-103 record.

The Series — Minnesota leads 30-6. The series has been an even draw the past three seasons, with the visiting team winning each of the last four matches.

MICHIGAN STATE — No. 21 Michigan State is 9-3 overall and 2-2 in the Big Ten heading into Wednesday's match at Michigan. The Spartans rely heavily on senior outside **Jenna Wrobel**, a three-time first-team All-Big Ten selection. **Wrobel** tops the conference in kills per game at 5.69. Her 239 kills is nearly three times more than her closest teammate, **Erin Hartley** with 86. **Wrobel** has excellent all-around stats, hitting .340, while averaging 2.60 digs and 1.00 blocks per game.

Michigan State head coach **Chuck Erbe** is in his sixth season with the Spartans and owns a 118-62 record.

The Series — Minnesota leads 24-11. The Gophers broke a six-match Michigan State winning streak with a victory in the last meeting.

PENN STATE STAYS NO. 1 IN USA TODAY / AVCA TOP 25 COACHES POLL —

Poll #4 (Sept. 29)	Points	Record	Lt.Wk
1. Penn State (28)	1473	12-0	1
2. Long Beach State (22)	1463	12-0	2
3. Nebraska	1382	11-0	3
4. UC Santa Barbara	1283	12-0	4
5. BYU	1247	10-1	5
6. Wisconsin	1198	12-1	6
7. Stanford	1143	8-2	7
8. USC	1055	7-3	8
9. Florida	1017	11-2	9
10. Hawaii	967	9-1	11
11. Pacific	922	9-2	10
12. Colorado	844	8-1	12
13. Texas	782	8-2	13
14. Loyola Marymount	683	9-2	15
15. Arkansas	652	10-2	16
16. Texas A&M	599	9-1	17
17. San Diego	488	9-2	19
18. Ohio State	437	7-4	14
19. Arizona	397	11-1	20
20. Illinois	354	9-3	23
21. Michigan State	267	8-2	18
22. Minnesota	264	11-2	24
23. Louisville	243	9-2	22
24. Fresno State	73	12-0	NR
25. Kansas State	69	8-3	NR

Dropped out of the top 25

Florida State	21
Texas Tech	25

Others receiving points: Texas Tech (57), Florida State (46), Indiana (26), Pepperdine (20), Clemson (7), Cal Poly SLO (6), South Carolina (6), Northwestern (6), Utah (5), Northern Illinois (4), American (3), Houston (2), Illinois State (2), North Carolina (2), Auburn (1), Miami OH (1), Oral Roberts (1), Saint Louis (1).

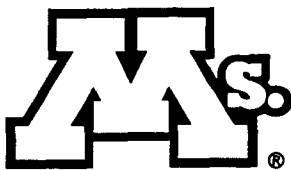
UP NEXT FOR THE GOPHERS — Minnesota returns home for a pair of Big Ten matches against Northwestern on Friday, Oct. 9, and versus Indiana on Saturday, Oct. 10.

University of Minnesota Volleyball
 #22 Minnesota Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 04, 1998)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	{ 12-3 }	{ 6-2 }	{ 3-1 }	{ 3-0 }
CONFERENCE.....	{ 2-2 }	{ 1-1 }	{ 1-1 }	{ 0-0 }
NON-CONFERENCE.....	{ 10-1 }	{ 5-1 }	{ 2-0 }	{ 3-0 }

## SUMMARY (by ##)	G	ATTACK				Pct	Set		SERVE			DIG		BLOCKING					
		K	K/Game	E	TA		A	A/Game	SA	SE	SA/Gm	RE	DIG	Dig/G	BS	BA	Total	B/Game	BE
15 Nicole Branagh	53	286	5.40	77	616	.339	9	0.17	25	40	0.47	21	117	2.21	1	20	21	0.40	3
3 Yvonne Wichert	53	175	3.30	73	400	.255	7	0.13	13	21	0.25	18	87	1.64	1	19	20	0.38	2
11 Sonja Posthuma	52	128	2.46	49	266	.297	31	0.60	8	18	0.15	32	129	2.48	2	16	18	0.35	2
10 Stephanie Hagen	52	99	1.90	39	220	.273	5	0.10	3	3	0.06	2	30	0.58	11	39	50	0.96	0
4 Erica Glaser	41	64	1.56	22	114	.368	0	0.00	1	7	0.02	2	15	0.37	7	22	29	0.71	3
8 Heather Baxter	30	46	1.53	13	93	.355	4	0.13	5	4	0.17	0	27	0.90	3	11	14	0.47	5
2 Lindsey Berg	51	44	0.86	28	120	.133	635	12.45	29	26	0.57	1	101	1.98	0	21	21	0.41	4
18 Jill McDowell	45	35	0.78	7	87	.322	16	0.36	8	7	0.18	8	58	1.29	0	2	2	0.04	2
14 Susan Shudlick	41	2	0.05	4	8	-.250	66	1.61	10	15	0.24	2	38	0.93	1	0	1	0.02	1
6 Ali Berres	33	1	0.03	1	2	.000	4	0.12	6	6	0.18	0	44	1.33	0	0	0	0.00	0
13 Heather Swenson	14	1	0.07	0	1	1.000	1	0.07	2	3	0.14	0	8	0.57	0	0	0	0.00	0
16 Morning Song Manning	12	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	1	2	0.08	1	10	0.83	0	0	0	0.00	0
0 Team	0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	6	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0
Total.....	55	881	16.02	313	1927	.295	778	14.15	111	152	2.02	93	664	12.07	26	150	101.0	1.84	22
Opponents.....	55	739	13.44	320	1917	.219	679	12.35	93	183	1.69	117	572	10.40	26	175	113.5	2.06	30

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
ATTACK.....			9-1-98	WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY	W	3-0	699
Kills.....	881	739	9-4-98	vs Virginia	W	3-2	313
Errors.....	313	320	9-5-98	vs Loyola (Md.)	W	3-0	300
Total Attacks.....	1927	1917	9-5-98	vs Buffalo	W	3-0	300
Attack Pct.....	.295	.219	9-5-98	at Navy	W	3-0	250
Kills/Game.....	16.0	13.4	9-7-98	at American	W	3-2	172
SET.....			9-11-98	OREGON	W	3-0	881
Assists.....	778	679	9-12-98	WAKE FOREST	W	3-0	1008
Assists/Game.....	14.1	12.3	9-12-98	MISSOURI	W	3-1	1008
SERVE.....			9-18-98	RUTGERS	W	3-0	1733
Aces.....	111	93	9-19-98	AUBURN	L	2-3	1901
Errors.....	152	183	*9-25-98	#1 PENN STATE	L	0-3	2372
Aces/Game.....	2.0	1.7	*9-26-98	#14 OHIO STATE	W	3-1	1397
SERVE RECEPTIONS.....			*10-2-98	at Iowa	W	3-2	419
Errors.....	93	117	*10-3-98	at #6 Wisconsin	L	0-3	3605
Errors/Game.....	1.7	2.1	* denotes conference game				
DEFENSE.....							
Digs.....	664	572					
Digs/Game.....	12.1	10.4					
BLOCKING.....							
Block Solo.....	26	26					
Block Assist.....	150	175					
Total Blocks.....	101.0	113.5					
Blocks Per Game.....	1.8	2.1					
Block Errors.....	22	30					
BALL HANDLING ERRORS.....	18	27					
ATTENDANCE.....							
Total.....	10999	4446					
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	8/1375	4/1112					
Neutral site #/Avg.....	3/304						



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 **Minnesota Inv.**
3rd of 13 teams
- 25-27 **Lady Northern**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
8th of 14 teams

OCTOBER

- 12-13 **Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot Out**
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 23-24 **Notre Dame Inv.**
(Bonita Springs, Fla.)

FEBRUARY

- 27-28 **Midwest Classic**
(Dallas, Tex.)

MARCH

- 8-9 **Peggy Kirk Invitational**
(Winter Springs, Fla.)
- 27-28 **Myrtle Beach Classic**
(Myrtle Beach, S.C.)

APRIL

- 10-11 **Indiana Invitational**
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 17-18 **Hawkeye Invitational**
(Iowa City, Iowa)
- 24-25 **Buckeye Invitational**
(Columbus, Ohio)
- 30 **Big Ten Championship**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)

MAY

- 1-2 **Big Ten Championship**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 6-8 **NCAA East Regional**
(U. of South Carolina)
- 19-22 **NCAA Championship**
(Tulsa University)

Home tournament played at the U. of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course



Minnesota Golf 1998-99

Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout
Monday-Tuesday, Oct. 12-13
Bloomington, Ind.

SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHER GOLFERS OFF THIS WEEK – The University of Minnesota women’s golf team will compete in the Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot-out in Bloomington, Ind. on the Monday-Tuesday, Oct. 12-13. The tournament will be contested on the 6,700-yard, par-71 Indiana University Golf Course.

LAST TIME ON THE LINKS – Minnesota women’s golf team finished eighth in the Lady Northern Golf Tournament at the Kampen Golf Course in West Lafayette, Ind., this weekend. Michigan State won the team crown with a score of 947, four strokes ahead of second-place Indiana. Minnesota tallied a score of 978 over the 5,996-yard, par 72 course.

The Gophers placed two golfers in the top 20. Sophomore **Jenny Bruun (Crookston, Minn./Central)** was Minnesota’s top finisher in a tie for 14th place with a 54-hole score of 241. Senior **Melanie Lepp (Easton, Minn./United South Central)** tied for 16th place with a score of 242.

Indiana’s Erin Carney posted a 2-under-par 70 in Sunday’s final round to capture medalist honors with a total of 225.

1998-99 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GOLF ROSTER –

Name	Yr.	Hometown/High School/College
Katie Bakken	So.	Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center/Cal
Michelle Ballou ***#	Sr.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
Donna Boom *	Sr.	Albert Lea, Minn./Albert Lea
Jenny Bruun	So.	Crookston, Minn./Central
Cindy Cannon	Fr.	Big Lake, Minn./Monticello
Marilee Dahlman	Fr.	Marshalltown, Iowa/Marshalltown
Kristin Dooley	Fr.	Albany, Minn./Albany
Monica Haag	So.	Duluth, Minn./Duluth East
Laura Krumenauer	Fr.	Onalaska, Wis./Holmen
Melanie Lepp ****#	Sr.	Easton, Minn./United South Central
Emily Norby	Sr.	Grand Forks, N.D./Red River/Ohio State
Julie Skavanger	Fr.	Osseo, Minn./Champlin Park
Megan Stier	Fr.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine
Kristi Weichert *	Sr.	Caledonia, Minn./Caledonia
Arminda Yutuc	Fr.	La Crosse, Wis./Central

Captains

Head Coach: Kathy Williams
Assistant Coach: Glen Peterson
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Sheryl Maize

A LOOK AHEAD – The Golden Gophers play their final fall tournament on Oct. 23-24 in Bonita Springs, Fla., at the Notre Dame Invitational.



University of Minnesota
Women's Athletics

1997-98 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
5-8 at Indiana Invitational

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. Pepperdine 6:30 p.m.
24 Consolation & Championship
Matches 4 p.m.
30 vs. Western Michigan 11 a.m.
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 Marquette (Milwaukee, Wis.) 9 a.m.

FEBRUARY

4-7 at Rolex National Indoor Championship
7 Illinois-Chicago 8 a.m.
12 at Syracuse 3 p.m.
13 vs. Maryland (at Syracuse) 2 p.m.
20 Illinois 5 p.m.
27 Indiana 5 p.m.
28 Purdue 10 a.m.

MARCH

5 at Iowa State 3 p.m.
6 at Drake 10 a.m.
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home games in caps and bold



Minnesota Tennis 1997-98

Gophers at Riviera All-American Championship Oct. 20-25

SID Contact: Crystal Colby (612) 624-3335

GOPHERS OFF UNTIL OCT. 20 — The University of Minnesota women's tennis team has the next two weekends off before competing at the Riviera All-American Championship, Oct. 20-25.

PRESEASON RANKINGS — Junior **Nora Sauska** (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty) and senior **Alice Rangsitienchai** (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor) are ranked No. 14 in doubles in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings preseason poll. In individual rankings, **Sauska** is ranked No. 52.

GOPHER REWIND: SAUSKA/HOWARD WIN AT UNLV INVITATIONAL — The doubles team of senior **Nora Sauska** and newcomer **Jen Howard** (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea) won the Flight B doubles title to lead the Gophers at the UNLV Women's Tennis Fall Invitational in Las Vegas, Nev. **Sauska** and **Howard**, who finished with a perfect 4-0 record, defeated Catherine Hall and Meling Parks of Utah, 8-1, in the championship match.

In Minnesota's other championship match, junior **Kim Simonsen** (Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West) fell to Gee Gee Garvin of BYU, 6-3, 6-0, in the Flight A singles bracket.

Minnesota earned three fifth-place finishes. At Flight A singles, **Sauska** defeated Brooke Leavens of BYU, 6-1, 6-4. Senior **Tarah Elkins** (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm) defeated Tara Ferguson of BYU, 7-6, 6-3 in Flight B singles. In a matchup of Minnesota doubles teams at Flight A doubles, **Simonsen** and **Elkins** defeated the team of senior **Jana Hrdinova** (Prague, Czech Republic/Stoughton, Wis.) and newcomer **Andrea Rose** (North Vancouver, British Columbia/Handsworth), 8-4.

Howard, who fell to Alison Ojeda of Utah, 0-6, 6-2, 6-2 in Flight C singles, finished in third place. **Rose** finished fourth in Flight D singles after falling to Marcella Valkenhoff of UNLV, 6-1, 7-6. **Hrdinova** earned seventh place in Flight B singles by defeating Marianne Bakken of UNLV, 6-3, 6-0.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — Martin Novak enters his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gopher women's tennis team. Novak has compiled an 82-95 record against some of the toughest opponents in the nation, including the powerful Big Ten Conference. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten. Novak earned a bachelor's degree in education with a concentration in kinesiology from Texas Christian University in 1984. He attended the University of Arkansas and received a master's degree in physical education with a concentration in sports management in 1988.

1998 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Intrasquad Gold 24, Maroon 31
 11 Drake Dual 1st of 2 teams (26)
 19 St. Olaf Invitational 3rd (119)
 26 Roy Griak Invitational t-4th (148)

OCTOBER

- 2 Eau Claire Quad 1st of 7 (40)
 10 NCAA Pre-Meet (Kansas) 11 a.m.
 17 Iowa State Memorial 10:30 a.m.
 23 Minnesota Qualifier 4 p.m.
 31 Big Ten Championship TBA
 (Michigan)

NOVEMBER

- 8 Rocky's Run 10:30 a.m.
 14 Midwest Regional TBA
 (Wichita State)
 23 NCAA Championship TBA
 (University of Kansas)

All home meets in caps and bold held at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course

FinishLynx/NCAA Division I

Poll #2

October 5, 1998

1. Brigham Young (9)	225	1
2. Michigan	214	5
3. Stanford	199	2
4. Providence	195	3
5. Arkansas	183	12
6. Wisconsin	178	9
7. Wake Forest	165	6
8. Georgetown	160	7
9. Colorado	156	4
10. Arizona	146	8
11. North Carolina State	142	10
12. Dartmouth	131	11
13. Northern Arizona	122	13
14. Washington	109	14
15. Oregon	89	16
16. Missouri	81	15
17. Minnesota	75	17
18. William & Mary	64	18
19. Baylor	55	22
20. Cornell	43	24
21. South Florida	41	—
22. UCLA	38	20
23. Florida	33	19
24. Bowling Green	27	25
25. West Virginia	25	21

Other teams also receiving votes:
 Ohio University 9, Weber State 9,
 Tennessee 6, Colorado State 3, Texas
 2.

Minnesota Cross Country



Minnesota at the Bob Timmons Invitational
 (NCAA Pre-National Meet)
 Saturday, Oct. 10, 11 a.m.
 Lawrence, Kan.

SID Contact: Crystal Colby (612) 624-3335

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO KANSAS — The University of Minnesota women's cross country team will travel to Lawrence, Kansas, for the 1998 Bob Timmons Invitational, Saturday, Oct. 10. The invitational is an NCAA pre-national meet and will be run at Rim Rock Farm, the site of the 1998 NCAA Division I and II national championships. Minnesota will compete at the 11 a.m. Women's Division I race, with three Gophers competing in the Women's Division II race at 1 p.m.

THE BOB TIMMONS FIELD — Of the 35 teams entered in the Women's Division I race, nine are ranked in the top 25, including three of the top 10: No. 3 Stanford, No. 9 Colorado and No. 10 Arizona. Other ranked teams: North Carolina State (No. 11), Northern Arizona (No. 13), Oregon (No. 15), Missouri (No. 16) and Minnesota (No. 17) and South Florida (No. 21).

MINNESOTA'S TEAM — Minnesota will take nine athletes for the Women's Division I race:

Amy Daug (so., Watertown, Wis./Watertown)
 Elaine Eggleston (so., Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)
 Minna Haronoja (jr., Illo, Finland/Vammala)
 Deb Hudleston (so., Minneapolis, Minn./De La Salle)
 Gena Johnson (jr., Fond du Lac, Wis./Goodrich)
 Rasa Michniovaite (jr., Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius)
 Victoria Moses (fr., New Brighton, Minn./Irondale)
 Corinne Nimitz (so., Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie)
 Tanya Prince (fr., Bemidji, Minn./Bemidji)

The three athletes competing in the Women's Division II race:

Brooke Derge (fr., Milwaukee, Wis./Lutheran)
 Christine Harper (fr., White Bear Lake, Minn./White Bear Lake)
 Amy Hoel (jr., Cornell, Wis./Cornell)

MICHNIOVAITE IS BIG TEN ATHLETE OF THE WEEK — Junior **Rasa Michniovaite (Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius)** earned the Big Ten Cross Country Athlete of the Week honors after winning the Roy Griak Invitational Sept. 26. **Michniovaite** is Minnesota's first winner of the Roy Griak Invitational in the meet's 13-year history. Her time (17:08) ranks 14th in Minnesota and is the team's fastest since 1996. **Michniovaite** also earned the Minnesota Women's Sports Information Athlete of the Month award for September.

MINNESOTA 17TH IN FINISHLYNX POLL — Minnesota is ranked 17th in the first FinishLynx/NCAA Division I Women's Cross Country National Poll of the season, released Sept. 28. The ranking is the highest for the Gophers since posting a rank of 12th in 1988, a rank that stands as the best in Minnesota women's cross country history. The Gophers received votes in the preseason poll and moved up based on a fourth-place finish at the Sept. 26 Roy Griak Invitational, one of the premier meets in the nation. Minnesota is one of three Big Ten Conference schools

ranked among the nation's top 25 teams, with Michigan at No. 5 and Wisconsin at No. 9.

MINNESOTA WINS BLUGOLD OPEN — Minnesota won the Blugold Open hosted by the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Friday in Colfax, Wis. The Gophers competed without their top seven runners, who were preparing for this week's pre-national meet at the University of Kansas.

Four of Minnesota's five scorers placed in the top 10, led by newcomer **Jenny Moylan (New Brighton, Minn./Irondale)**, one of five Gophers to set a personal record. **Moylan** placed fourth in a personal-best time of 19 minutes, 22.71 seconds. Sophomore **Addy Adamson (Plymouth, Minn./Wayzata)** placed fifth in a personal-record 19:26.06, while sophomore **Rachel Domenichetti (St. Paul, Minn./Harding)** recorded a personal-best 19:28.34. Also setting personal bests were newcomer **Katie Bauer (Appleton, Wis./East)**, 14th in 19:50.16, and sophomore **Hayley Singer (Appleton, Wis./East)**, 16th in 20:01.77.

Minnesota placed first in the seven-team field with 40 points. Bethel College was second at 45. Wisconsin-Superior senior Sarah Anderson won the individual title in 18:06.57.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — **Rasa Michniovaite** won the Roy Griak Invitational Women's Gold (Division I) Race Sept. 26 to lead the Gophers to a tie for fourth place, their highest finish since placing fourth in 1991. **Michniovaite** is the Golden Gophers' first individual Roy Griak Invitational champion.

Michniovaite led all finishers with a Minnesota season-best time of 17:08, with Providence senior Sarah

Dupre, last year's champion, a close second in 17:09. Marie Davis of Oregon and Sharlyn Maughan of Weber State were right behind at 17:10.

Sophomore **Elaine Eggleston (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** was the Gophers' second finisher, placing 15th in a personal-record 17:59. Sophomore **Corinne Nimitz (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie)** placed 23rd in 18:06, 31 seconds faster than her previous career best. Rounding out the scoring for the Gophers were junior **Minna Haronoja (Illo, Finland/Vammala)**, 52nd in 18:39, and newcomer **Tanya Prince (Bemidji, Minn./Bemidji)**, 57th in a personal-best 18:43. In all, 14 of 19 Minnesota runners set personal records.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — **Gary Wilson** enters his 14th season as head cross country and track and field coach at the University of Minnesota. Last season, Minnesota placed 21st at the NCAA Cross Country Championships after a third-place finish in the Big Ten Conference and NCAA Midwest Regional. Minnesota has finished in the upper half of the conference 10 of the past 11 seasons and has been ranked among the nation's top 25 teams in eight of the past 11 seasons. Wilson was named the 1989 Region IV Coach of the Year after guiding the Gophers to a second-place finish at the Region IV championship. Before coming to Minnesota, Wilson built a Division III powerhouse at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, where he coached the women's teams to three consecutive national track and field championships and one national cross country championship. He also coached the men's track and field team for seven years. In all, his La Crosse teams won 21 conference championships.

UP NEXT — The Gophers travel to the Iowa State Memorial Invitational in Ames, Iowa, Saturday, Oct. 17.

1998 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/5	Intrasquad (St. Paul, Minn.)	Gold 24, Maroon 31	10/17	at Iowa State Memorial Invitational (Ames, Iowa)
9/11	Drake Dual (St. Paul, Minn.)	Minnesota 26, Drake 29	10/23	Minnesota Qualifier (St. Paul, Minn.)
9/19	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, Minn.)	3rd of 18 (119 points)	10/31	at Big Ten Championship (Michigan)
9/26	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, Minn.)	t-4th of 18 (148 points)	11/14	Midwest Regional (Wichita State)
10/2	at Wis.-Eau Claire Blugold Open (Colfax, Wis.)	1st of 7 (40 points)	11/23	at NCAA Championships (Greenville, S.C.)
10/10	at Bob Timmons Invitational (Lawrence, Kan.)			

	Intrasquad (4000m)	Drake Dual	St. Olaf Invitational	Roy Griak Invitational	Blugold Open	Bob Timmons Invitational	Iowa State Mem. Invite	Minnesota Qualifier	Big Ten Championship	Midwest Regional
Addy Adamson	16:56.0 (21st)	20:04.1 (18th/9th)	22:14 (105th/8th)	19:42 (116th/13th)	19:26.06 (5th/2nd)					
Tiffany Barron	16:38.8 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC					
Katie Bauer	16:04.1 (11th)	20:07.9 (21st/12th)	20:30 (19th/2nd)	19:54 (122nd/16th)	19:50.16 (14th/5th)					
Aimee Daugs	15:42.3 (8th)	19:55.0 (16th/7th)	DNC	19:13 (91st/10th)	DNC					
Brooke Derge	16:00.6 (9th)	20:01.8 (17th/8th)	DNC	19:20 (97th/11th)	DNC					
Rachel Domenichetti	17:02.4 (22nd)	20:34.7 (28th/17th)	20:41 (25th/4th)	19:48 (120nd/15th)	19:28.34 (7th/3rd)					
Elaine Eggleston	15:00.5 (2nd)	17:59.0 (2nd/2nd)	DNC	17:54 (15th/2nd)	DNC					
Chrissy Eid	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC					
Jill Field	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC					
Danielle Giusti	16:23.9 (16th)	20:05.8 (20th/11th)	21:03 (43rd/6th)	19:57 (124th/17th)	19:42.34 (10th/4th)					
Minna Haronoja	DNC	DNC	DNC	18:39 (52nd/4th)	DNC					
Christine Harper	16:02.4 (10th)	20:05.0 (19th/10th)	20:15 (14th/1st)	19:06 (81st/8th)	DNC					
Kristine Hartmark	16:15.5 (14th)	20:20 (26th/15th)	DNC	DNC	DNC					
Amy Hoel	16:04.5 (12th)	20:12 (23rd/13th)	20:33 (21st/3rd)	19:23 (101st/12th)	DNC					
Deborah Hudleston	15:18.7 (4th)	19:17.4 (8th/4th)	DNC	19:08 (83rd/9th)	DNC					
Gena Johnson	15:30.9 (5th)	19:25.1 (9th/5th)	DNC	18:58 (72nd/7th)	DNC					
Marja Loukkola	15:17.9 (3rd)	DNC	DNC	DNF	DNC					
Rasa Michniovaite	DNC	17:51.1 (1st/1st)	DNC	17:08 (1st/1st)	DNC					
Victoria Moses	15:36.3 (6th)	20:12.9 (24th/14th)	DNC	18:49 (62nd/6th)	DNC					
Jenny Moylan	16:21.1 (15th)	20:23.1 (27th/16th)	20:57 (40th/5th)	19:46 (119th/14th)	19:22.71 (4th/1st)					
Corinne Nimtz	14:59.9 (1st)	18:56.5 (6th/3rd)	DNC	18:06 (23rd/3rd)	DNC					
Tanya Prince	15:38.1 (7th)	19:39.0 (12th/6th)	DNC	18:43 (57th/5th)	DNC					
Nikki Rassbach	16:25.0 (17th)	DNC	22:32 (120th/9th)	21:01 (124nd/19th)	20:20.59 (22nd/7th)					
Megan Schuster	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC					
Jessica Shuster	16:12.1 (13th)	20:46.0 (29th/18th)	DNC	DNC	DNC					
Hayley Singer	16:38.8 (19th)	21:52.3 (30th/19th)	22:35 (122nd/10th)	20:53 (141st/18th)	20:01.77 (16th/6th)					
Kristie Stiles	16:46.1 (20th)	DNC	21:08 (50th/7th)	DNC	DNC					

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The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, Sept. 23

TN at National Clay Court Champs.

Thursday, Sept. 24

TN at National Clay Court Champs.

Friday, Sept. 25

SC hosts Wisconsin 4 p.m.
VB hosts Penn State 7 p.m.
GO at Lady Northern
TN at National Clay Court Champs.

Saturday, Sept. 26

CC hosts Roy Griak Invitational
Women's Maroon Race 10:15 a.m.
Women's Gold Race Noon
VB hosts Ohio State 7 p.m.
GO at Lady Northern
TN at National Clay Court Champs.

Sunday, Sept. 27

SC hosts Northwestern 1 p.m.
TN at National Clay Court Champs.

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Women's Intercollegiate Athletics
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What's Coming Up

Volleyball

- No. 24 Gophers open Big Ten season at home
- Gophers take on No. 1 Penn State Friday,
- MSC to televise Gophers match vs. No. 14 Ohio State Saturday

Soccer

- Golden Gophers return home for two Big Ten matches
- Face Wisconsin Friday in border battle, Northwestern Sunday

Cross Country

- Golden Gophers host Roy Griak Invitational Saturday

Golf

- Golfers to compete against Big Ten-dominated field at the Lady Northern Tournament in West Lafayette, Ind.

Gopher Highlights

Volleyball

- Gophers fall in the championship round of the Diet Coke Classic for first loss of the season
- Minnesota takes one game from the USA National Team

Soccer

- Minnesota wins two on the road
- Golden Gophers begin defense of their 1997 Big Ten title with a win at Iowa

Cross Country

- Gophers place third at St. Olaf Invitational



1998 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

1	Wis.-Green Bay	W, 3-0
4-5	at Naval Academy Tour. (Annapolis, Md.)	
	vs. Virginia	W, 3-2
	vs. Loyola	W, 3-0
	vs. Buffalo	W, 3-0
	vs. Navy	W, 3-0
7	at American	W, 3-2
11-12	Minnesota Nike Invitational	
11	vs. Oregon	W, 3-0
12	vs. Wake Forest	W, 3-0
	vs. Missouri	W, 3-1
18-19	Diet Coke Classic	
18	vs. Rutgers	W, 3-0
19	vs. Auburn	L, 3-2
21	USA Team (exh.)	L, 3-1
25	Penn State *	7 p.m.
26	Ohio State *	7 p.m.

OCTOBER

2	at Iowa *	7 p.m.
3	at Wisconsin *	7 p.m.
9	at Michigan *	7 p.m.
10	at Michigan State *	7 p.m.
16	Northwestern *	7 p.m.
17	Indiana *	7 p.m.
23	at Purdue *	7:30 p.m.
24	at Illinois *	7 p.m.
30	Wisconsin *	7 p.m.
31	Iowa *	7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

6	Michigan State *	7 p.m.
7	Michigan *	7 p.m.
13	at Ohio State *	7 p.m.
14	at Penn State *	7:30 p.m.
20	at Indiana *	7 p.m.
21	at Northwestern *	7 p.m.
27	Illinois *	7 p.m.
28	Purdue *	7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER

3-6	NCAA First/Second Rounds
10-13	NCAA Regionals
17-19	NCAA Finals (Madison, Wis.)

Home matches in bold played at Sports Pavilion

* Big Ten Matches

Minnesota Volleyball 1998



Minnesota vs. Penn State
Friday, Sept. 25 – Minneapolis, Minn.
Minnesota vs. Ohio State
Saturday, Sept. 26 – Minneapolis, Minn.
SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHERS OPEN BIG TEN SLATE WITH TOUGH CHALLENGE — The University of Minnesota volleyball team (10-1, 0-0 Big Ten) opens its Big Ten season by hosting two of the top teams of not only the conference but also of the nation as well. The Gophers kick off their 16-match league schedule on Friday, Sept. 25, against top-ranked Penn State (10-0, 0-0 Big Ten) at 7 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion. On Saturday, Sept. 26, the Gophers play No. 14 Ohio State (7-2, 0-0 Big Ten) at 7 p.m.

GOPHERS RANK IMPROVES DESPITE LOSS — Minnesota moved up one spot to No. 24 in this week's *USA Today*/AVCA Division I Poll despite losing a tough five-game match to Auburn in its last outing. Six Big Ten teams were ranked for the second straight week. Joining No. 1 Penn State, No. 14 Ohio State and No. 24 Minnesota are No. 6 Wisconsin, No. 18 Michigan State and No. 23 Illinois. Three other Big Ten schools, Michigan, Indiana and Northwestern, received votes.

OHIO STATE MATCH TELEVISED LIVE ON MSC — Midwest Sports Channel (MSC) will televise Saturday's Ohio State/Minnesota match live with Ryan Lefebvre calling the action and former Golden Gopher Sarah Pearman providing the color commentary. MSC will televise two other Gopher volleyball matches: Oct. 30 vs. Wisconsin and Nov. 28 vs. Purdue. The Gophers will also be featured on ESPN on Oct. 16 when Minnesota hosts Northwestern.

PENN STATE PICKED TO REPEAT — Two-time defending Big Ten champion Penn State was picked by the conference coaches as the favorite to capture the title once again in 1998. The Gophers were targeted for a fifth-place finish.

School (first-place votes)	Pts.	* Iowa did not participate in voting
1. Penn State (10)	110	
2. Wisconsin	97	
3. Michigan State	81	
4. Illinois	76	
5. Minnesota	67	
6. Ohio State	66	
7. Michigan	53	
8. Indiana	41	
9. Northwestern	32	
10. Purdue	27	
11. Iowa	10	

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP —

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School/Club*
S	Lindsey Berg	5-8	Fr.	Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou
OH	Nicole Branagh	6-1	So.	Orinda, Calif./Miramonte
OH	Yvonne Wichert	5-11	Fr.	Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden*
OH	Sonja Posthuma	6-0	So.	Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus
MB	Erica Glaser	6-1	So.	Omaha, Neb./Millard North
MB	Stephanie Hagen	6-3	Fr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Hopkins
	or			
DS	Susan Shudlick	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

1998 BIG TEN STANDINGS

Final

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State	0	0	.000	10	0	1.000
Minnesota	0	0	.000	10	1	.909
Wisconsin	0	0	.000	10	1	.909
Michigan State	0	0	.000	7	1	.875
Northwestern	0	0	.000	10	2	.833
Michigan	0	0	.000	8	2	.800
Indiana	0	0	.000	7	2	.778
Ohio State	0	0	.000	7	2	.778
Illinois	0	0	.000	7	3	.700
Purdue	0	0	.000	6	3	.667
Iowa	0	0	.000	6	3	.667

This Week in the Big Ten --

Wed., Sept. 23	Ohio State at Penn State
Fri., Sept. 25	Penn State at Minnesota Wisconsin at Indiana Illinois at Michigan State Purdue at Michigan Iowa at Northwestern
Sat., Sept. 26	Ohio State at Minnesota Wisconsin at Northwestern Illinois at Michigan Purdue at Michigan State Iowa at Indiana

USA NATIONAL TEAM DOWNS GOPHERS — The USA National Team defeated the Gophers, 3-1, Monday at the Sports Pavilion in a match that was part of the USA Collegiate Challenge Series. USA won the first two games by scores of 15-6 and 15-7 before Minnesota fought back to win game three, 15-10, behind nine kills by **Nicole Branagh** (Orinda, Calif./Miramonte) and three service aces by setter **Lindsey Berg** (Honolulu, Hawaii). Former Penn State All-American Terri Zemaitis caught fire in the fourth game, helping the USA team rebound from a 7-4 deficit to win 15-8. Zemaitis smashed six kills in eight attempts in the game and finished with 13 kills in a .611 attack percentage. **Branagh** matched Zemaitis for honors with 13 kills.

SEASON-OPENING WIN STREAK ENDS — Minnesota saw its 10-match, season-opening win streak end with a 3-2 loss to Auburn in the championship match of the Diet Coke Volleyball Classic. The 10-0 start is the second-best in Gopher history, behind only 1974, when Minnesota went 11-0 to begin the season.

DIET COKE CLASSIC JINX — The Gophers have accomplished many things since head coach **Mike Hebert** took over the program. Winning the title in the Diet Coke Volleyball Classic isn't one of them. For the third straight season, the Gophers have placed second in the Classic. A huge Auburn middle attack led the Tigers to a 15-5, 13-15, 15-4, 6-15, 15-13 victory in the championship tilt. Auburn hit .362 while outblocking the Gophers by a 12-5 margin. Auburn committed 21 service errors that kept the Gophers in the match, but in the rally-scoring fifth and deciding game, it was five Minnesota serving errors that proved to costly to overcome.

BERG AND BRANAGH COMPLETE THE SWEEP — Sophomore outside hitter **Nicole Branagh** and first-year setter **Lindsey Berg** added all-tournament honors at the Diet Coke Volleyball Classic last weekend to complete the sweep in earning all-tourney acclaim at each of the Gophers' three pre-conference season tournaments. **Branagh** topped the Gophers in kills in both Diet Coke Classic matches and finished with a total of 38 kills. **Berg** gathered 79 assists and seven service aces in the eight-game stretch.

SETTING THE STANDARD — Setter **Lindsey Berg** has done nothing but excel in her first year with the Gophers. **Berg** is averaging 12.28 assists per game. The owner of one of most dangerous serves in the Big Ten, **Berg** sports a conference-leading 25 service aces.

SLAM JAM — Outside hitter **Nicole Branagh** tops the Gophers in kills and ranks second in the Big Ten, averaging 5.29 kills per game. She is second only to Michigan State's Jenna Wrobel at 5.50 kills per game. **Branagh** has surpassed the 20-kill mark in five matches in 1998, while hitting a solid .369 attack percentage.

INTERNATIONAL FLAIR — The pair of Europeans on the Gopher roster provide more than just an international flair to the starting lineup. Outside hitters **Yvonne Wichert** (Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden) and **Sonja Posthuma** (Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus) rank second and third, respectively, on the team in kills. **Wichert** averages 3.63 kills per game. **Posthuma**, a co-captain, contributes 2.30 kills and a team-best 2.62 digs per game.

LINDA SHUDLICK OUT FOR YEAR — Senior co-captain **Linda Shudlick** (Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley) will miss the 1998 season due to a knee injury suffered in spring practice last April. **Shudlick**, a middle blocker, tore the anterior cruciate ligament of her left knee during a blocking drill and underwent surgery in May. She will be eligible for the 1999 season.

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT — Head coach **Mike Hebert** is in his third season at Minnesota and sports a record of 57-22 (.722) with the Gophers. He has guided the Gophers to consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances and upper echelon Big Ten finishes. Overall in 22 years of coaching, **Hebert** owns a career mark of 629-279 (.693) and has directed teams to NCAA Tournament appearances in each of the last 13 seasons. He is one of just eight active NCAA Division I coaches with over 600 career victories.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** are in their third seasons at Minnesota and fifth on **Mike Hebert's** coaching staff.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

PENN STATE — Penn State certainly has lived up to its No. 1 billing. The Nittany Lions have been dominating en route to their perfect 10-0 record. Teams are scoring an average of just four points per game against Penn State this season. Only one team (West Virginia) has scored 10 points in a game. The Nittany Lions have also pitched five 15-0 shutouts, with teams hitting just .034 against the Penn State defense. The average length of a Penn State match in '98 is 65 minutes. Easily the backbone of the squad is the All-American tandem of **Bonnie Bremner** at setter and **Lauren Cacciamani** at middle blocker. **Bremner**, last year's Big Ten Player of the Year, averages 10.23 assists per game but adds a deceptive attack element to the Penn State offense with 2.27 kills per game in a .550 attack percentage. **Cacciamani** is posting incredible numbers as well, leading the team with 107 kills in a .382 hitting percentage and 1.77 blocks per game.

Penn State head coach **Russ Rose** is in his 20th season with the Nittany Lions and sports a record of 630-119.

The Series — Penn State leads 14-2. The Nittany Lions have won the last eight matches and lead the series 9-2 since joining the Big Ten in 1991.

OHIO STATE — Ohio State has the pleasure of traveling to Penn State on Wednesday, Sept. 23, to open the 1998 Big Ten Conference campaign. The Buckeyes will then be idle until Saturday's match in Minneapolis. To date, Ohio State is 7-2, with an early win over Florida and losses to Hawaii and Nebraska. With the graduation of 1996 Big Ten Player of the Year **Vanessa Wouters**, junior outside hitter **Rosie Snow** has become the go-to player in the Buckeye offense. **Snow** averages 4.20 kills per game. Last season's Big Ten Rookie of the Year, **Dana Stearns**, is hitting .379 with 85 kills.

Ohio State head coach **Jim Stone** is in his 17th season with the Buckeyes and owns a 371-151 record at OSU.

The Series — Ohio State leads 23-17. Minnesota has won three of the last four matches of the series but Ohio State won the most recent, 3-0 in Columbus last season.

PENN STATE STAYS NO. 1 IN USA TODAY / AVCA TOP 25 COACHES POLL —

Poll #3 (Sept. 22)	Points	Record	Lt. Wk
1. Penn State (42)	1472	10-0	1
2. Long Beach State (18)	1462	10-0	2
3. Nebraska	1384	9-0	3
4. UC Santa Barbara	1309	10-0	4
5. BYU	1228	9-1	6
6. Wisconsin	1187	10-1	7
7. Stanford	1128	6-2	9
8. USC	1074	5-3	5
9. Florida	992	8-2	10
10. Pacific	931	8-1	8
11. Hawaii	929	7-1	13
12. Colorado	841	6-1	12
13. Texas	828	6-2	11
14. Ohio State	746	7-2	14
15. Loyola Marymount	607	8-2	15
16. Arkansas	585	7-2	16
17. Texas A&M	533	7-1	17
18. Michigan State	475	7-1	18
19. San Diego	403	8-2	20
20. Arizona	369	10-0	21
21. Florida State	241	8-3	19
22. Louisville	226	7-2	23
23. Illinois	126	7-3	22
24. Minnesota	94	10-1	25
25. Texas Tech	58	10-2	NR

Dropped out of the top 25

Notre Dame	24
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Others receiving points: Michigan (47), Kansas State (43), Indiana (42), Fresno State (36), Pepperdine (32), Utah (12), South Carolina (11), Houston (10), Washington State (10), Notre Dame (7), Cal Poly SLO (5), Northwestern (4), Oral Roberts (3), North Carolina (2), Santa Clara (2), American (1), Auburn (1), Illinois State (1).

UP NEXT FOR THE GOPHERS — Minnesota embarks on its first Big Ten road trip of the season, traveling to Iowa on Friday, Oct. 3, and Wisconsin on Saturday, Oct. 4.

University of Minnesota Volleyball
Minnesota Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 19, 1998)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(10-1)	(5-1)	(2-0)	(3-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(10-1)	(5-1)	(2-0)	(3-0)

## SUMMARY (by ##)	G	ATTACK				Pct	Set		SERVE			RE	DIG		BLOCKING				BE	BHE
		K	K/Game	E	TA		A	A/Game	SA	SE	SA/Gm		DIG	Dig/G	BS	BA	Total	B/Game		
15 Nicole Branagh	38	201	5.29	49	412	.369	5	0.13	15	30	0.39	14	75	1.97	1	16	17	0.45	3	2
3 Yvonne Wichert	38	138	3.63	48	287	.314	6	0.16	9	11	0.24	12	58	1.53	1	8	9	0.24	1	1
11 Sonja Posthuma	37	85	2.30	36	172	.285	23	0.62	6	11	0.16	18	97	2.62	2	14	16	0.43	2	0
10 Stephanie Hagen	37	71	1.92	22	144	.340	5	0.14	3	3	0.08	1	22	0.59	7	26	33	0.89	0	1
4 Erica Glaser	29	50	1.72	15	80	.438	0	0.00	1	7	0.03	2	12	0.41	6	17	23	0.79	2	0
18 Jill McDonell	31	35	1.13	7	78	.359	12	0.39	7	4	0.23	4	42	1.35	0	2	2	0.06	2	0
8 Heather Baxter	23	30	1.30	9	62	.339	4	0.17	5	3	0.22	0	23	1.00	1	9	10	0.43	3	0
2 Lindsey Berg	36	28	0.78	15	71	.183	442	12.28	25	18	0.69	1	63	1.75	0	16	16	0.44	4	8
14 Susan Shudlick	26	2	0.08	3	7	-.143	64	2.46	7	8	0.27	2	21	0.81	1	0	1	0.04	1	0
13 Heather Swenson	14	1	0.07	0	1	1.000	1	0.07	2	3	0.14	0	8	0.57	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
6 Ali Berres	27	1	0.04	1	2	.000	4	0.15	6	5	0.22	0	34	1.26	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
16 Morning Song Manning	12	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	1	2	0.08	1	10	0.83	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
0 Team	0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	3	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
Total.....	40	642	16.05	205	1316	.332	566	14.15	87	105	2.17	58	465	11.63	19	108	73.0	1.83	18	12
Opponents.....	40	476	11.90	227	1311	.190	436	10.90	58	120	1.45	93	377	9.43	14	105	66.5	1.66	14	23

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
ATTACK.....			9-1-98	WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY	W	3-0	699
Kills.....	642	476	9-4-98	vs Virginia	W	3-2	313
Errors.....	205	227	9-5-98	vs Loyola (Md.)	W	3-0	300
Total Attacks.....	1316	1311	9-5-98	vs Buffalo	W	3-0	300
Attack Pct.....	.332	.190	9-5-98	at Navy	W	3-0	250
Kills/Game.....	16.0	11.9	9-7-98	at American	W	3-2	172
SET.....			9-11-98	OREGON	W	3-0	881
Assists.....	566	436	9-12-98	WAKE FOREST	W	3-0	1008
Assists/Game.....	14.1	10.9	9-12-98	MISSOURI	W	3-1	1008
SERVE.....			9-18-98	RUTGERS	W	3-0	1733
Aces.....	87	58	9-19-98	AUBURN	L	2-3	1901
Errors.....	105	120	* denotes conference game				
Aces/Game.....	2.2	1.5					
SERVE RECEPTIONS.....							
Errors.....	58	93					
Errors/Game.....	1.5	2.3					
DEFENSE.....							
Digs.....	465	377					
Digs/Game.....	11.6	9.4					
BLOCKING.....							
Block Solo.....	19	14					
Block Assist.....	108	105					
Total Blocks.....	73.0	66.5					
Blocks Per Game.....	1.8	1.7					
Block Errors.....	18	14					
BALL HANDLING ERRORS.....	12	23					
ATTENDANCE.....							
Total.....	7230	422					
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	6/1205	2/211					
Neutral site #/Avg.....	3/304						

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**1998 Minnesota Soccer
Schedule & Results**

Overall: 5-1-0 Big Ten: 1-0-0

September

1	at Cincinnati	L, 1-0
7	Minnesota-Duluth	W, 7-0
11	Wisconsin-Green Bay	W, 7-0
13	Purdue	W, 4-2
18	at Iowa*	W, 3-0
21	at Washington State	W, 4-2
25	Wisconsin*	4 p.m.
27	Northwestern*	1 p.m.

October

2	at Michigan State*	3 p.m.
4	at Michigan*	1 p.m.
9	at Penn State*	7 p.m.
11	Ohio State*	1 p.m.
16	Indiana*	3 p.m.
18	Illinois*	1 p.m.
24	at Texas Christian	1 p.m.
25	at Southern Methodist	3 p.m.
30	Nevada-Las Vegas (at New Mexico)	5 p.m.

November

1	at New Mexico	11 a.m.
5-8	Big Ten Championships (at Penn State)	

**Home matches in bold at the St. Paul
Campus Soccer Field**

**All times local
*-Big Ten match**



**Minnesota Soccer
September 22, 1998**

**Wisconsin at Minnesota
Friday, Sept. 25, 1998, 4 p.m. CST**

**#11 Northwestern at Minnesota
Sunday, Sept. 27, 1998, 1 p.m. CST**

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota returns home for a pair of Big Ten games this weekend against Wisconsin and 11th-ranked Northwestern.

The border battle with Wisconsin gets underway at 4 p.m. on Friday while Sunday's match with the Wildcats is slated for a 1 p.m. start. Both games are at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The Gophers began defense of their Big Ten title with a 3-0 win at Iowa, Friday, before extending their winning streak to five games with a 4-2 win at Washington State, Sunday.

Minnesota pounded out 30 shots while allowing the Hawkeyes just five in Friday's win. The Gophers also held a 7-0 advantage in corner kicks.

Minnesota got on the board early as Nicole Lee (Champlin, Minn./Champlin Park) scored the first of her two goals at the 14:17 mark and Laurie Seidl (St. Charles, Ill./St. Charles) added her ninth in four games at 33:24 to give the Gophers a 2-0 halftime lead.

Iowa managed to hold their guests off the board for another 30 minutes before Lee knocked home her second of the game and fifth of the season.

The Gophers got multiple-point games from three players Monday in earning the win at Washington State.

Alison Rackley (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm) got Minnesota on the board at the 18:51 mark and, after the Cougars tied the game in the 51st minute, Corinne Bolder (Dale City, Va./Gar-Field) gave the Gophers the lead for good in the 58th minute.

Lee scored the first of her two goals in the 71st minute to make the score 3-1 and, after WSU had closed to within one in the 86th minute, she sealed the win with her second of the game with 20 seconds to play.

Minnesota held a 20-10 advantage in shots with goalkeeper Dana Larson (Delaware, Ohio/Hayes) stopping a season-high five shots.

WISCONSIN RECENTLY—After opening the season just 1-3, the Badgers began Big Ten play at home over the weekend with a pair of wins, including a 1-0 victory over 10th-ranked Michigan.

Two of Wisconsin's three losses came to ranked opponents, but the Badgers ended that with Friday's double overtime win over Michigan as Mara Miller scored in the game's 116th minute with just 4:21 to play.

Despite winning by the same 1-0 margin over Michigan State on Sunday, Wisconsin's second win of the weekend came somewhat easier as Allison Wagner scored at 28:53 and the Badgers limited the Spartans to just three shots.

NORTHWESTERN RECENTLY—The Wildcats also posted wins over the Michigan schools, earning a 2-1 double overtime win over Michigan State, Friday, before handing Michigan a 4-2 loss, Sunday. The two enabled Northwestern to remain unbeaten at 6-0-1 and in a tie for the conference lead at 2-0-0.

Kathy Zimmerman, Katie Hertz and Kristen Palmer all had three-point games in Sunday's upset win over the previously 10th-ranked Wolveriners.

THE SERIES—Wisconsin holds a 5-3 edge in the all-time series and was victorious in their last visit to the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field, winning 3-1 on Sept. 28, 1997.

The Gophers hold a 4-1-1 advantage in their series with Northwestern, including a win and a tie last season. The tie, however, turned into a shootout loss as the Wildcats stunned Minnesota in the semifinals of the Big Ten tournament.

WHEN LAST WE MET—The Gophers broke a 1-1 halftime tie with three goals in the second half to post a 4-1 win at Wisconsin, Sept. 21, 1997.

Nicole Lee scored goals at 60:09 and 89:12 to lead Minnesota while Jennifer McElmury and Jennifer Walek each had a goal and an assist.

Northwestern outscored the Gophers 5-4 in a shootout to stun the Big Ten champions in the tournament semifinals, Nov. 8, 1997.

Megan Johnson (Rosemount, Minn./Rosemount) and Nicole Lee gave Minnesota a 2-0 lead in the game's opening 14 minutes before the Wildcats came back to tie the score.

After each team scored on its first four penalty kicks, the Gophers failed to convert on try number five and Brooke Bell then tallied the winner for Northwestern.

EN FUEGO—After scoring nine goals en route to earning Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors last season, Laurie Seidl has gotten off to a fast start this season.

An honorable mention choice as *College Soccer Weekly* national player of the week last week, Seidl scored her ninth goal in four games versus Iowa before being held off the scoreboard in Monday's win at Washington State.

As the Big Ten Newcomer of the Year last season, Seidl scored nine goals in 23 games. Through Sept. 13, she led the nation in goals per game (2.00) and was third in points per game (4.00).

NOT TO BE OUTDONE—After leading the Gophers with 13 goals last season, Nicole Lee has scored seven in six games this season, including four in her last two games, and has tallied 18 points.

A second-team All-Big Ten choice as a sophomore last season, Lee is already fifth in career points (69) and goals (28) at Minnesota and has moved into sixth in career assists (13).

FIRE AT WILL—After totalling just 69 shots in 43 games during her first two seasons, Nicole Lee has stepped up to the firing line, cranking out 28 in her first six games this season.

The junior forward, who finished third on the team in scoring as a frosh and second last season while leading the team with 13 goals, fired a season-high nine shots against UW-Green Bay, Sept. 11, and had seven in Friday's win at Iowa.

PLENTY OF FIRE POWER—In just six games, Minnesota has launched 142 shots while limiting opponents to just 33, an average of 18 shots more per game.

Over the last five games, that margin has been 134-22 and Gopher goalkeepers have needed to make just nine saves in those

five games.

Besides a team-leading 28 shots by Nicole Lee, five other players have also reached double figures in shots. Laurie Seidl, the team leader with 71 shots last year, is second with 21, Alison Rackley has 17, Corinne Bolder 16, Megan Johnson 11 and Samantha Meyers (Frederick, Md./Jefferson) 10.

ON THE BOARD—Frosh midfielder Samantha Meyers picked up her first point of the season Friday when Laurie Seidl converted her corner kick in the game's 34th minute.

One of three frosh in the starting lineup this season, Meyers is averaging 61 minutes per game and is second among the Gophers' midfielders with 10 shots.

NOT SO FROSH—Minnesota has had four first-year players step into roles that have them contributing during their rookie campaigns.

Alison Rackley is second on the team in assists (3) and is third in goals (5) and points (13) and has formed a formidable forward trio along with Nicole Lee and Laurie Seidl. She is also second among the team's field players in minutes played (453).

Juli Montgomery has started six games as a defender and is tops on the team at that position with two points.

Samantha Meyers has started six games in the midfield for the Gophers, logging 397 minutes of playing time and eight shots.

Allyson Brodie (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm), a high school teammate of Rackley, has come off the bench in all six games and has logged 247 minutes of action.

TOUSET FEATURED—Gopher defender Vanessa Touset (Woodbridge, Va./Gar-Field) is featured in the Elite Feet section of the *Soccer Buzz*. The website address for the feature is http://www.soccerbuzz.com/elite/elite_glfram.htm.

BIG TEN STREAK AT 14—With its win at Iowa, Minnesota has now won 14 consecutive Big Ten regular season games.

Last year, the Gophers became the first team in conference history to go unbeaten, posting a perfect 9-0 record.

Minnesota won its final four Big Ten games in 1996 and have not fallen to a conference opponent during the regular season since a 3-1 home loss to Wisconsin, Sept. 28, 1996.

THE COACHES—Two-time Big Ten Coach of the Year Sue Montagne is in her sixth season at Minnesota.

The only coach in the history of the Gopher program, Montagne has led her squads to a pair of Big Ten titles and appearances in the NCAA Tournament the past three seasons.

A member of three NCAA Final Four teams and team MVP as a senior, Montagne received her bachelor's degree in sport management from Massachusetts in 1989.

During her tenure at Minnesota, she has amassed a 74-28-8 overall record and a 23-6-3 Big Ten record.

Wisconsin's Dean Duerst is in his fifth season at his alma mater, where he graduated in 1983. During his tenure, he has compiled a 54-31-10 record.

Northwestern's Marcia McDermott is in her fifth season with

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the Wildcats and ninth as a collegiate head coach. The 1987 graduate of North Carolina is 42-37-6 at Northwestern and 71-72-9 overall.

HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE—In its fifth season as the home to the University of Minnesota women's soccer program, the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field, with seating for 1,200 and an overflow capacity of 2,000, has proven to be a tough place for visiting teams to play.

In five years, the Gophers have amassed a 36-4-4 home record, an impressive .864 winning percentage.

Following the 1998 season, a multimillion dollar complex will be built on the site, due in large part to a gift of \$800,000 from Deborah Robbie Olson in the name of her mother Elizabeth Lyle Robbie.

Olson has also contributed \$100,000 for a scholarship endowment for the soccer program.

UP NEXT—The Gophers begin a tough three-game stretch on the road next weekend when they travel to the Great Lakes State.

Minnesota begins the month of October on the 2nd in East Lansing, Mich., to take on Michigan State at 3 p.m. EST. The Gophers then head to Ann Arbor, Mich. for a 1 p.m. EST showdown with Michigan.

GONE POLLING—Here are the latest women's college soccer polls.

NSCAA/Umbro — As of Sept. 22

School	Record	Pts	LW
1. North Carolina	6-0-0	250	1
2. Santa Clara	7-0-0	240	2
3. Notre Dame	6-1-0	228	3
4. Connecticut	7-0-0	217	4
5. Florida	6-0-0	210	5
6. Portland	6-0-0	198	6
7. Penn State	6-0-0	196	t8
8. William & Mary	6-0-1	169	7
9. UCLA	6-1-0	158	25
10. Texas A&M	4-2-0	155	t8
11. Northwestern	6-0-1	145	19
12. Clemson	3-3-0	125	18
13. Virginia	5-2-0	124	13
14. Brigham Young	6-0-0	123	14
15. Dartmouth	2-1-1	112	12
16. San Diego State	5-1-0	98	21
17. Vanderbilt	6-1-0	93	16
18. Hartford	3-3-0	72	20
19. Stanford	4-1-1	64	22
20. George Mason	6-1-0	60	NR
21. Nebraska	3-2-0	52	17
22. Marquette	5-1-1	40	23
23. Georgia	4-2-0	35	NR
24. Harvard	2-2-0	20	15
25. Wake Forest	4-2-1	19	NR

Also receiving votes: Richmond, Baylor, Wisconsin, James Madison, Southern Methodist, Cal-Irvine.

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL RANKINGS—1. Notre Dame 6-1-0; 2. Northwestern 6-0-0; 3. Marquette 5-1-1; 4. Wisconsin 3-3-0; 5. Michigan 4-2-0; 6. Wis.-Milwaukee 3-2-0; 7. Indiana 5-1-0; 8. Cincinnati 3-3-1; 9. Minnesota 4-1-0; 10. Butler 3-3-0.

Soccer Buzz — As of Sept. 22

School	Record	LW
1. North Carolina	6-0-0	t1
2. Santa Clara	7-0-0	t1
3. Notre Dame	6-1-0	3
4. Connecticut	7-0-0	4
5. Florida	6-0-0	5
6. William & Mary	6-0-1	6
7. Brigham Young	6-0-0	9
8. Portland	6-0-0	11
9. Penn State	6-0-0	13
10. Virginia	5-2-0	15
11. Texas A&M	4-2-0	7
12. Vanderbilt	6-1-0	10
13. Dartmouth	2-1-1	16
14. Clemson	3-3-0	19
15. Minnesota	4-1-0	20
16. Hartford	3-3-0	12
17. San Diego State	5-1-0	21
18. UCLA	6-1-0	24
19. Northwestern	6-0-1	NR
20. Duke	3-4-0	8
21. Nebraska	3-2-0	18
22. George Mason	6-1-0	NR
23. Stanford	4-1-1	NR
24. Marquette	5-1-1	23
25. Georgia	4-2-0	NR

Also receiving votes: Baylor, Harvard, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Cal-Irvine, Wake Forest.

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1998 Overall Statistics

Record: 5-1-0

No.	Player	GP	GS	Minutes	Shots	G	A	Pts	GWG
16	Laurie Seidl	6	6	392 : 09	21	9	0	18	2
2	Nicole Lee	6	6	410 : 42	28	7	4	18	3
6	Alison Rackley	6	6	453 : 03	17	5	3	13	0
15	Corinne Bolder	6	0	278 : 45	16	2	3	7	0
7	Amy Koehler	6	0	243 : 34	5	1	3	5	0
22	Megan Johnson	6	6	269 : 09	11	1	1	3	0
11	Juli Montgomery	6	6	335 : 41	7	0	2	2	0
12	Erika Kruse	6	0	257 : 57	2	0	2	2	0
5	Samantha Meyers	6	6	392 : 13	10	0	1	1	0
13	Kelly Shea	6	6	252 : 06	6	0	1	1	0
10	Erin Holland	6	6	446 : 07	7	0	0	0	0
20	Erika Berghauer	2	0	52 : 07	5	0	0	0	0
3	Vanessa Touset	6	6	448 : 10	2	0	0	0	0
14	Noelle Papenhausen	6	4	336 : 26	2	0	0	0	0
8	Allyson Brodie	6	0	201 : 48	2	0	0	0	0
25	Jamie Wyffels	6	2	410 : 57	1	0	0	0	0
18	Sarah FitzGerald	6	0	110 : 12	0	0	0	0	0
17	Rose Grimm	2	0	43 : 47	0	0	0	0	0
24	Natalie Fevig	2	0	23 : 00	0	0	0	0	0
23	Megan O'Leary	1	0	22 : 47	0	0	0	0	0
19	Jada Hansen	2	0	19 : 20	0	0	0	0	0
00	Dana Larson	6	6	471 : 50	0	0	0	0	0
1	Julie Eibensteiner	2	0	68 : 10	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota		6	6	540 : 00	142	25	20	70	5
Opponents		6	6	540 : 00	33	5	4	14	1

Total Shots

Minnesota	79	63	=	142
Opponents	17	16	=	33

Corner Kicks

Minnesota	19	19	=	38
Opponents	5	5	=	10

Fouls

Minnesota	31	25	=	56
Opponents	26	27	=	53

Score by Periods

Minnesota	11	14	=	25
Opponents	2	3	=	5

Penalty Kicks— Minnesota 0-1 (Laurie Seidl 0-1). Opponents 1-1.

Yellow Cards— Minnesota 1 (Vanessa Touset 1). Opponents 1.

No.	Goalie	GP	GS	Minutes	Saves	GA	GAA	SO	Shared	Record
1	Julie Eibensteiner	2	0	68 : 10	0	0	0.00	0	2	0-0-0
00	Dana Larson	6	6	471 : 50	13	5	0.95	1	2	5-1-0
Minnesota		6	6	540 : 00	13	5	0.83	3	2	5-1-0
Opponents		6	6	540 : 00	70	25	4.17	1	0	1-5-0

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1998 Game-By-Game Results

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Shots</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Goalie (Saves)</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Att</u>
9/ 1	at Cincinnati	0-1	8-11	0-1-0	Dana Larson (4)	Meyers Field	135
9/ 6	Minnesota-Duluth	7-0	27- 1	1-1-0	Dana Larson (0)	SPC Soccer Field	554
					Julie Eibensteiner (0)		
9/11	Wisconsin-Green Bay	4-0	44- 1	2-1-0	Dana Larson (0)	SPC Soccer Field	176
					Julie Eibensteiner (0)		
9/13	Purdue	4-2	13- 5	3-1-0	Dana Larson (3)	SPC Soccer Field	440
9/18	at Iowa*	3-0	30- 5	4-1-0	Dana Larson (1)	Iowa Soccer Field	184
9/21	at Washington State	4-2	20-10	5-1-0	Dana Larson (5)	Cougar Soccer Field	129
9/25	Wisconsin*					SPC Soccer Field	
9/27	Northwestern*					SPC Soccer Field	
10/ 2	at Michigan State*					Old College Field	
10/ 4	at Michigan*					Michigan Soccer Field	
10/ 9	at Penn State*					Jeffrey Field	
10/11	Ohio State*					SPC Soccer Field	
10/16	Indiana*					SPC Soccer Field	
10/18	Illinois*					SPC Soccer Field	
10/24	at Texas Christian						
10/25	at Southern Methodist						
10/30	Nevada-Las Vegas@						
11/ 1	at New Mexico						

Home games in bold

*-Big Ten game

@-at New Mexico

	Home	Away	Neutral	Total
Games	3	3	0	6
Attendance	1,170	448	0	1,618
Average	390	149	0	270

GOPHER RECORD WHEN:

Scoring first	4-0-0	Having more corner kicks than opponent	4-1-0
Opponent scores first	1-1-0	Opponent has more corner kicks	0-0-0
Leading at halftime	4-0-0	Corner kicks are even	1-0-0
Opponent leading at halftime	0-0-0	Big Ten	1-0-0
Tied at halftime	1-1-0	Big Ten home game	0-0-0
Outscoring opponent in second half	5-0-0	Big Ten road game	1-0-0
Outscored by opponent in second half	0-1-0	Non-conference	4-1-0
Even with opponent in second half	0-0-0	Non-conference home game	3-0-0
In overtime	0-0-0	Non-conference road game	1-1-0
Outshooting opponent	5-0-0	At St. Paul Campus Soccer Field	3-0-0
Outshot by opponent	0-1-0	On the road	2-1-0
Shots are even	0-0-0	At neutral site	0-0-0

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SEPTEMBER

- 5 Intrasquad Gold 24, Maroon 31
 11 Drake Dual 1st of 2 teams (26)
 19 St. Olaf Invitational 3rd (119)
 26 Roy Griak Invitational Noon

OCTOBER

- 2 Eau Claire Quad 4 p.m.
 10 NCAA Pre-Meet (Kansas) TBA
 17 Iowa State Memorial 10:30 a.m.
23 Minnesota Qualifier 4 p.m.
 31 Big Ten Championship TBA
 (Michigan)

NOVEMBER

- 8 Rocky's Run 10:30 a.m.
 14 Midwest Regional TBA
 (Wichita State)
 23 NCAA Championship TBA
 (University of Kansas)

All home meets in caps and bold held at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course

FinishLynx/NCAA Division I Preseason Poll August 31, 1998

1.	Brigham Young (8)	224
2.	Stanford (1)	217
3.	Dartmouth	198
4.	Colorado	191
5.	Michigan	186
6.	Providence	175
7.	Oregon	157
8.	North Carolina State	156
9.	Arkansas	145
10.	Wisconsin	144
11.	Georgetown	141
12.	Boston College	137
13.	Missouri	106
14.	Wake Forest	99
15.	Washington	85
16.	Weber State	79
17.	Florida	78
18.	Colorado State	68
19.	North Carolina	62
20.	Nebraska	54
21.	West Virginia	52
22.	Baylor	30
23.	Arizona	26
24.	Bowling Green	24
25.	Villanova	19

Other Teams Also Receiving Votes:
 William & Mary 17, Minnesota 14,
 Army 11, Baylor 8, Georgia 8,
 Northern Arizona 8, Cornell 2, Notre
 Dame 2, Coastal Carolina 1, UCLA 1.



Minnesota Cross Country

September 22, 1998

Minnesota hosts the Roy Griak Invitational
 Saturday, Sept. 26
 Les Bolstad Cross Country Course

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GOPHERS HOST ROY GRIAK INVITATIONAL — Minnesota will host the annual Roy Griak Invitational Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. The meet features six different races: Division I women, Division II and III women, Division I men, Division II and III men, high school girls and high school boys. The women's course is 5000 meters, while the men's course is 8000 meters.

The Roy Griak Invitational, renamed in 1996 for the University of Minnesota's long-time men's cross country coach, is one of the largest cross country meets in the nation, with more than 100 teams and 1800 runners competing.

Roy Griak Invitational Time Schedule

9:30 a.m.	Men's Maroon Race	Noon	Women's Gold Race
10:15 a.m.	Women's Maroon Race	1 p.m.	High School Boys Race
11 a.m.	Men's Gold Race	2 p.m.	High School Girls Race

DIVISION I WOMEN'S TEAMS AT THE ROY GRIAK INVITATIONAL —

Ball State, Boston College, Colorado State, Connecticut, Eastern Michigan, Iowa State, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Carolina-Charlotte, Northern Arizona, Oregon, Providence, Rhode Island, Toledo, UCLA, Weber State, Wyoming, Youngstown.

DIVISION II AND III TEAMS —

Augustana (South Dakota), Bemidji State, Bethel College (St. Paul), Central Missouri State, Concordia (Moorhead), Concordia (St. Paul), Dana College, Gustavus Adolphus, Hamline, Hastings College, Hillsdale, Luther College, Macalaster, Manitoba, Mankato State, Minnesota-Duluth, Minnesota-Morris, North Dakota, North Dakota State, Northern Michigan, Northwestern College (St. Paul), St. Catherine, St. Cloud State, St. Mary's University (Winona), St. Scholastica, St. Thomas, South Dakota, South Dakota State, Wartburg, Winona State, Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Wisconsin-Parkside, Wisconsin-River Falls, Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Wisconsin-Superior.

TEAM RANKINGS — This year's Gold Race features six teams ranked in the top 20 of the FinishLynx/Division I Preseason Poll, as well as three others that received votes, and six teams that placed at the 1997 NCAA Division I Cross Country Championship.

School	Rank	Last Year at the NCAA Championship
Providence	6	6
Oregon	7	8
Boston College	12	9
Weber State	16	-
Colorado State	18	12
Nebraska	20	19
Minnesota	RV	21
Northern Arizona	RV	-
UCLA	RV	-

LAST YEAR AT THE ROY GRIAK —

WOMEN'S GOLD —

Team Results:

- | | |
|---------------|-----|
| 1. Wisconsin | 53 |
| 2. Providence | 93 |
| 3. Oregon | 106 |

Individual Results:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Sarah Dupre, Providence | 17:05.7 |
| 2. Marie Davis, Oregon | 17:07.3 |
| 3. Amy Swier, Northern Arizona | 17:11.4 |

WOMEN'S MAROON —

Team Results:

- | | |
|------------------------|-----|
| 1. North Dakota State | 97 |
| 2. St. Thomas | 163 |
| 3. Wisconsin-La Crosse | 198 |

Individual Results:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Sarah Anderson, Superior | 18:07.1 |
| 2. Mary Gill, North Dakota State | 18:22.0 |
| 3. Stacy Johnson, Augustana | 18:27.2 |

MEN'S GOLD —

Team Results:

- | | |
|----------------|-----|
| 1. Wisconsin | 68 |
| 2. Weber State | 86 |
| 3. Minnesota | 117 |

Individual Results:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Ben Noad, Providence | 24:23.8 |
| 2. Saul Lampirikany, Iowa State | 24:27.7 |
| 3. Jeroen Broekzitter, Nebraska | 24:39.6 |

MEN'S MAROON —

Team Results:

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|------------------------|----|
| 1. Central Missouri | 79 |
| 2. South Dakota | 83 |
| 3. Wisconsin-La Crosse | 93 |

Individual Results:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Vladimar Golias, Central Missouri | 25:01.2 |
| 2. Joey Keillor, Mankato State | 25:08.0 |
| 3. Alexandr Alexin, Central Missouri | 25:21.7 |

MINNESOTA IN THE POLLS — Minnesota received 14 votes in the FinishLynx/NCAA Division I Preseason Cross Country Poll. Last season, the Gophers were ranked as high as No. 22. The first poll of the season will be released Sept. 28.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — The Golden Gophers, competing without their top seven runners, placed third with 119 points at the St. Olaf Invitational Saturday in Northfield, Minn. Newcomer **Christine Harper (White Bear Lake, Minn./White Bear Lake)** was the Gophers' top finisher, placing 14th in 20:15, while first-year athlete **Katie Bauer (Appleton, Wis./East)** was 19th in 20:30 and junior **Amy Hoel (Cornell, Wis./Cornell)** 21st in 20:33. Superior's **Sarah Anderson** won the individual title in 19:10. St. Olaf was the team winner with 37 points.

Minnesota won the Minnesota-Drake Dual Sept. 11 at the Les Bolstad Course, 26-29. The Gophers were led by junior transfer **Rasa Michniovaite (Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius)**, who placed first, and sophomore **Elaine Eggleston (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)**, who placed second.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — Gary Wilson enters his 14th season as head cross country and track and field coach at the University of Minnesota. Last season, Minnesota placed 21st at the NCAA Cross Country Championships after a third-place finish in the Big Ten Conference and NCAA Midwest Regional. Minnesota has finished in the upper half of the conference 10 of the past 11 seasons and has been ranked among the nation's top 25 teams in eight of the past 11 seasons. Wilson was named the 1989 Region IV Coach of the Year after guiding the Gophers to a second-place finish at the Region IV championship. Before coming to Minnesota, Wilson built a Division III powerhouse at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, where he coached the women's teams to three consecutive national track and field championships and one national cross country championship. He also coached the men's track and field team for seven years. In all, his La Crosse teams won 21 conference championships.

UP NEXT — The Gophers travel to the Wisconsin-Eau Claire Quadrangular Friday, Oct. 2.

1998 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/5	Intrasquad (St. Paul, Minn.)	Gold 24, Maroon 31	10/17	at Iowa State Memorial Invitational (Ames, Iowa)
9/11	Drake Dual (St. Paul, Minn.)	Minnesota 26, Drake 29	10/23	Minnesota Qualifier (St. Paul, Minn.)
9/19	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, Minn.)	3rd of 18 (119 points)	10/31	at Big Ten Championship (Michigan)
9/26	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, Minn.)		11/14	Midwest Regional (Wichita State)
10/2	at Eau Claire Quad (Colfax, Wis.)		11/23	at NCAA Championships (Greenville, S.C.)
10/10	at NCAA Pre-Meet (Kansas)			

	Intrasquad (4000m)	Drake Dual	St. Olaf Invitational	Roy Griak Invitational	Eau Claire Invitational	NCAA Pre-Meet	Iowa State Mem. Invite	Minnesota Qualifier	Big Ten Championship	Midwest Regional
Addy Adamson	16:56.0 (21st)	20:04.1 (18th/9th)	22:14 (105th/8th)							
Tiffany Barron	16:38.8 (19th)	DNC	DNC							
Katie Bauer	16:04.1 (11th)	20:07.9 (21st/12th)	20:30 (19th/2nd)							
Aimee Daus	15:42.3 (8th)	19:55.0 (16th/7th)	DNC							
Brooke Derge	16:00.6 (9th)	20:01.8 (17th/8th)	DNC							
Rachel Domenichetti	17:02.4 (22nd)	20:34.7 (28th/17th)	20:41 (25th/4th)							
Elaine Eggleston	15:00.5 (2nd)	17:59.0 (2nd/2nd)	DNC							
Chrissy Eid	DNC	DNC	DNC							
Jill Field	DNC	DNC	DNC							
Danielle Giusti	16:23.9 (16th)	20:05.8 (20th/11th)	21:03 (43rd/6th)							
Minna Haronoja	DNC	DNC	DNC							
Christine Harper	16:02.4 (10th)	20:05.0 (19th/10th)	20:15 (14th/1st)							
Kristine Hartmark	16:15.5 (14th)	20:20 (26th/15th)	DNC							
Amy Hoel	16:04.5 (12th)	20:12 (23rd/13th)	20:33 (21st/3rd)							
Deborah Hudleston	15:18.7 (4th)	19:17.4 (8th/4th)	DNC							
Gena Johnson	15:30.9 (5th)	19:25.1 (9th/5th)	DNC							
Marja Loukkola	15:17.9 (3rd)	DNC	DNC							
Rasa Michniovaite	DNC	17:51.1 (1st/1st)	DNC							
Victoria Moses	15:36.3 (6th)	20:12.9 (24th/14th)	DNC							
Jenny Moylan	16:21.1 (15th)	20:23.1 (27th/16th)	20:57 (40th/5th)							
Corinne Nimtz	14:59.9 (1st)	18:56.5 (6th/3rd)	DNC							
Tanya Prince	15:38.1 (7th)	19:39.0 (12th/6th)	DNC							
Nikki Rassbach	16:25.0 (17th)	DNC	22:32 (120th/9th)							
Megan Schutz	DNC	DNC	DNC							
Jessica Shuster	16:12.1 (13th)	20:46.0 (29th/18th)	DNC							
Hayley Singer	16:38.8 (19th)	21:52.3 (30th/19th)	22:35 (122nd/10th)							
Kristie Stiles	16:46.1 (20th)	DNC	21:08 (50th/7th)							



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 **Minnesota Inv.**
3rd of 13 teams
- 25-27 Lady Northern
(West Lafayette, Ind.)

OCTOBER

- 12-13 Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot Out
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 23-24 Notre Dame Inv.
(South Bend, Ind.)

FEBRUARY

- 27-28 Midwest Classic
(Dallas, Tex.)

MARCH

- 8-9 Peggy Kirk Invitational
(Winter Springs, Fla.)
- 27-28 Myrtle Beach Classic
(Myrtle Beach, S.C.)

APRIL

- 10-11 Indiana Invitational
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 17-18 Hawkeye Invitational
(Iowa City, Iowa)
- 24-25 Buckeye Invitational
(Columbus, Ohio)
- 30 Big Ten Championship
(West Lafayette, Ind.)

MAY

- 1-2 Big Ten Championship
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 6-8 NCAA East Regional
(U. of South Carolina)
- 19-22 NCAA Championship
(Tulsa University)

Home tournament played at the U. of
Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course



Minnesota Golf 1998-99

Lady Northern Tournament
Friday-Sunday, Sept. 25-27
West Lafayette, Ind.

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GOLDEN GOPHER GOLFERS BACK IN ACTION – The University of Minnesota women's golf team returns to action this weekend, Friday-Sunday, Sept. 25-27, when the Golden Gophers travel to West Lafayette, Ind., to compete in the Lady Northern Golf Tournament.

LADY NORTHERN FACTS AND FIGURES – The Lady Northern Golf Tournament is hosted this season by Purdue at the Kampen Golf Course in West Lafayette. The 54-hole event will tee off at 9 a.m. each morning on the 5,995-yard, par 72 course.

BIG TEN TESTING GROUND – Fourteen teams are scheduled to compete in this year's Lady Northern, among them all 11 members of the Big Ten Conference. Northern Illinois, Notre Dame and Butler are the only non-Big Ten teams in the field.

GOLDEN GOPHER COMPETITORS – The Golden Gophers play intrasquad qualifying rounds to determine the lineups for tournaments in which Minnesota competes. The following six golfers will compete at the Lady Northern:

Name	Yr.	Hometown/High School/College
Melanie Lepp	Sr.	Easton, Minn./United South Central
Jenny Bruun	So.	Crookston, Minn./Central
Katie Bakken	So.	Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center/Cal
Kristi Weichert	Sr.	Caledonia, Minn./Caledonia
Donna Boom	Sr.	Albert Lea, Minn./Albert Lea
Cindy Cannon	Fr.	Big Lake, Minn./Monticello

THE LAST TIME ON THE LINKS – Minnesota hosted the Minnesota Invitational, Sept. 12-13, in its last outing. While Minnesota's maroon squad officially placed third with a team score of 633, the gold squad bettered their teammates by seven strokes, tallying an unofficial score of 626. **Jenny Bruun (Crookston, Minn./Central)**, a Gopher playing on an individual basis, was the top Minnesota finisher, placing fourth with a 36-hole score of 151 on the 5,955-yard, par 74 Les Bolstad University of Minnesota Golf Course. **Bruun** hit a 1-over-par 75 in Sunday's final round.

Senior **Melanie Lepp (Easton, Minn./United South Central)** moved from sixth place into a tie for fourth in the final round, carding a 152 after rounds of 77 and 75. California transfer **Katie Bakken (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center)** placed sixth in her first tournament as a Golden Gopher. **Bakken** rebounded from a round of 80 in the first round of the tournament with a 1-under-par 73 in the second round to finish with a score of 153.

A LOOK AHEAD – The Golden Gophers will play the third of their four fall tournaments the weekend of Oct. 12-13, at the Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout in Bloomington, Ind.

**Minnesota
Women's Athletics
Mission Statement**

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, Oct. 20

TN at Riviera All-American
(Pacific Palisades, Calif.)

Wednesday, Oct. 21

TN at Riviera All-American

Thursday, Oct. 22

TN at Riviera All-American

Friday, Oct. 23

CC hosts MN Qualifier 4 p.m.

S/D hosts Alum/Intrasquad 6 p.m.

VB at Purdue 7:30 p.m.

GO at Notre Dame Invitational
(Bonita Springs, Fla.)

TN at Riviera All-American

Saturday, Oct. 24

SC at Texas Christian 1 p.m.

VB at Illinois 7 p.m.

TN at Riviera All-American

GO at Notre Dame Invitational

Sunday, Oct. 25

SC at Southern Methodist 3 p.m.

TN at Riviera All-American

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What's Coming Up

Cross Country

- Gophers host final home meet of the season Friday

Swimming and Diving

- Minnesota opens the season with annual Alumni/Intrasquad Friday

Volleyball

- Gophers hit the road for Big Ten matches at Purdue and Illinois

Soccer

- Minnesota travels to Texas Christian and Southern Methodist

Tennis

- Sauska and Rangsitienchai compete at Riviera All-American

Golf

- Gophers compete at Notre Dame Invitational in Bonita Springs, Fla.

Gopher Highlights

Volleyball

- Gophers win two Big Ten matches at home
- Minnesota moves up to No. 24 in *USA Today*/AVCA Coaches Poll

Soccer

- Minnesota closes out home season with two Big Ten wins
- Nicole Lee named Big Ten Player of the Week

Cross Country

- Junior Rasa Michniovaite wins Iowa State Memorial Invitational for her third individual win of the season
- Minnesota wins Iowa State Memorial

Golf

- Gophers finish 11th at Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout

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**1998 Minnesota Soccer
Schedule & Results**

Overall: 9-5-0 Big Ten: 5-4-0

September

1	at Cincinnati	L, 1-0
7	Minnesota-Duluth	W, 7-0
11	Wisconsin-Green Bay	W, 7-0
13	Purdue	W, 4-2
18	at Iowa*	W, 3-0
21	at Washington State	W, 4-2
25	Wisconsin*	L, 2-0
27	Northwestern*	L, 2-1

October

2	at Michigan State*	W, 4-1
4	at Michigan*	W, 1-0
9	at Penn State*	L, 3-2 (ot)
11	Ohio State*	L, 1-0
16	Indiana*	W, 1-0
18	Illinois*	W, 3-1
24	at Texas Christian	1 p.m.
25	at Southern Methodist	3 p.m.
30	Nevada-Las Vegas (at New Mexico)	5 p.m.

November

1	at New Mexico	11 a.m.
5-8	Big Ten Championships (at Penn State)	

Home matches in bold at the St. Paul
Campus Soccer Field

All times local
*-Big Ten match



**Minnesota Soccer
October 19, 1998**

**Minnesota at Texas Christian
Saturday, Oct. 24, 1998, 1 p.m.**

**Minnesota at Southern Methodist
Sunday, Oct. 25, 1998, 3 p.m.**

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—A four-game stretch of non-conference road games begins this weekend when Minnesota travels to the Lone Star State for a pair of games versus Western Athletic Conference foes.

Saturday, the Gophers will be in Fort Worth, Texas, to take on the Horned Frogs of Texas Christian, beginning at 1 p.m. Sunday sees Minnesota in Dallas for a 3 p.m. match with Southern Methodist.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The Gophers wrapped up the Big Ten season with a pair of home wins over 17th-ranked Indiana and Illinois over the weekend.

Alison Rackley (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm) scored with 31 seconds to play and Julie Eibensteiner (St. Paul, Minn./Totino-Grace) posted a shutout in her first collegiate start Friday as Minnesota defeated Indiana, 1-0.

Eibensteiner, who had appeared in four previous games and suffered a loss to Northwestern, Sept. 27, needed to make just three saves in the game, but had two diving stops in the second half to preserve a 0-0 tie.

Rackley scored the game's only goal in the final minute when she got the ball from Jamie Wyffels (Coon Rapids, Minn./Coon Rapids) and pushed it past Hoosier goalkeeper Ashley Davis.

Minnesota had a 16-11 edge in shots and a 12-4 advantage in corner kicks.

Sunday, the Gophers used a five-point effort by Nicole Lee (Champlin, Minn./Champlin Park) to claim a 3-1 win over Illinois.

Minnesota got off to a fast start as Lee put home a Corinne Bolder (Dale City, Va./Gar-Field) rebound at the 2:06 mark and was set up for her 12th goal of the season by Rackley at 18:41.

Lee picked up her fifth and final point of the day when she set up Laurie Seidl (St. Charles, Ill./St. Charles) for the latter's team-leading 13th goal of the season in the 62nd minute.

The game turned into a shootout, with Minnesota holding a 28-23 edge in shots. Gopher goalkeeper Dana Larson (Delaware, Ohio/Hayes) made a season-high 11 saves.

TCU RECENTLY—The Horned Frogs split a pair of Western Athletic Conference games over the weekend, giving them an 8-6-0 record overall and a 2-2 mark in the WAC.

Friday, TCU had to battle the elements and Wyoming and were defeated, 4-1, on a blustery day in Laramie, Wyo. Crystal Pratz scored the only goal of the game for the Horned Frogs.

Texas Christian needed a three-goal comeback to pull out a 3-2 win at Air Force. After falling behind 2-0 in the 26th minute, the Horned Frogs remained down two until Allison Calleri scored at 56:01. Tiffany Goetz then tied the game at 64:26 and Calleri notched the winner with 15:07 to play in the match. TCU withstood a 19-10 shot advantage by the Falcons as goalkeeper Adrienne Labovitz stopped five shots.

SMU RECENTLY—The Mustangs also split on the road at Air Force and Wyoming, falling 2-1 to Air Force Friday before defeating Wyoming 3-0.

Tara Comfort scored Southern Methodist's lone goal versus the Falcons in the

game's 48th minute, tying the score at 1-1. Air Force then went on to post the 2-1 win with a goal in the 79th minute.

Comfort and Nicole Lamb were the key players in Sunday's win over Wyoming. Lamb scored in the 36th and 57th minutes to put SMU up 2-0 and Comfort, who assisted on the first goal, clinched the victory with her third goal of the season in the 82nd minute.

The win evened the Mustangs record to 7-7-0 and raised it to 3-1 in conference play, heading into Wednesday's WAC showdown at Texas Christian.

THE SERIES—Minnesota and Texas Christian have met just once previously, a 1-0 Golden Gopher victory in 1995. Minnesota and Southern Methodist are meeting for the first time.

WHEN LAST WE MET—The Gophers posted a 1-0 victory, Oct. 29, 1995, in their only previous meeting with the Horned Frogs.

FIRST TIME'S A CHARM—Frosh goalkeeper **Julie Eibensteiner** made her first collegiate start a memorable one by shutting out 17th-ranked Indiana.

With four relief appearances under her belt, **Eibensteiner** got the call for Friday's game and, despite making just three saves, made a pair of critical diving stops in the second half to preserve a 0-0 tie.

Eibensteiner had made two other appearances in conference play, including a Sept. 27 loss to Northwestern, where she was charged with the loss after giving up the winning goal on a penalty kick in the 80th minute.

NOT TO BE OUTDONE—Taking her first game off since Nov. 3, 1996, on Friday, junior goalkeeper **Dana Larson** responded to the off-day by posting a season-high 11 saves in Sunday's win over Illinois to pick up her 33rd career victory.

HOMETOWN SEES LEE PUT ON SHOW—The Minnesota Women's Athletics Department and WCCO-8•3•0 radio sponsored Hometown Day on Sunday and featured **Nicole Lee** and her hometown of Champlin, Minn.

Lee didn't disappoint her hometown fans as she scored just over two minutes into the game, added a second in the 19th minute and assisted on a third goal in the 61st minute.

DYNAMIC DUO—Combined, **Nicole Lee** and **Laurie Seidl** have notched 25 of Minnesota's 37 goals on the season and have scored eight of the team's nine game-winners, with **Lee** tallying four and **Seidl** three. The pair has also combined to take 97 of the Gophers' 266 shots.

RACK ATTACK—With Friday's game, played in wet and windy conditions, a 0-0 tie through 89 minutes appeared as though it might stand as a final.

Frosh forward **Alison Rackley** had other ideas as she pumped in her sixth goal of the season at 89:29 to give the Gophers the 1-0 win.

Rackley ranks third on the team in goals (6) and points (18) and leads the team with six assists.

Rackley is the only Minnesota forward to play every minute of the team's last four games and is second on the team in minutes played (1,127), averaging just over 80 minutes per game.

AMID THE MASSES—Although her play hasn't shown on the scoresheet as much as others, **Erin Holland (Montreal, Quebec/Centennial Region)** has been a steadying force in the midfield for the Gophers.

She has 21 shots, tops among the Gopher midfielders, including a career-high six versus Ohio State, Oct. 11, and one assist on the season. **Holland** has played every minute in six of the last seven games and leads the team in minutes played (1,144), averaging nearly 82 minutes per game.

THE INJURY LIST—With **Jaime O'Gara (Omaha, Neb./Millard North)** already missing the season due to a knee injury, the Gophers suffered a second setback when they lost **Kelly Shea (El Cajon, Calif./Valhalla)** after just 12 minutes of play in last Friday's loss at Penn State.

Shea, who had been battling with bilateral compartment syndrome in her right left all season, suffered a partial tear to her posterior tib ligament in the same leg. She has undergone an anterior release surgery and may be back in as few as two weeks.

BIG TEN STATISTICS—Minnesota had three players among the top 15 in conference scoring last week. **Nicole Lee** and **Laurie Seidl** were tied for the top spot with 24 points each while **Alison Rackley** was tied for 14th with 15 points.

Seidl had 12 goals to top the league while **Lee** had 10 to rank second with Illinois' Lisa Baldwin and Indiana's Tracy Grose.

In goalkeeping, **Dana Larson (Delaware, Ohio/Hayes)** was fourth in saves, with 54, and sixth in goals against average, 1.16.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—In the NCAA Division I statistics, through games of Oct. 11, **Laurie Seidl** was tied for 15th in goals per game (1.00). She was the only Gopher player ranked in last week's statistics.

THE COACHES—Two-time Big Ten Coach of the Year **Sue Montagne** is in her sixth season at Minnesota.

The only coach in the history of the Gopher program, **Montagne** has led her squads to a pair of Big Ten titles and appearances in the NCAA Tournament the past three seasons.

A member of three NCAA Final Four teams and team MVP as a senior, **Montagne** received her bachelor's degree in sport management from Massachusetts in 1989.

During her tenure at Minnesota, she has amassed a 78-32-8 overall record and a 27-10-3 Big Ten record.

Texas Christian coach David Robinson is in his 17th year at his alma mater, where he graduated in 1977. The Horned Frogs are 106-120-14 under his guidance.

Southern Methodist's Greg Ryan is also coaching at his alma mater, where he graduated in 1985. Now in his third season at the Mustang helm, Ryan is 35-18-5. His collegiate coaching career spans 11 seasons, during which time he has amassed a 143-50-12 overall record.

1998 Minnesota Soccer 3-3-3-3

HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE—In its fifth season as the home to the University of Minnesota women's soccer program, the **St. Paul Campus Soccer Field**, with seating for 1,200 and an overflow capacity of 2,000, has proven to be a tough place for visiting teams to play.

In five years, the Gophers have amassed a 38-8-4 home record, an impressive .800 winning percentage.

Following the 1998 season, a multimillion dollar complex will be built to house the Gopher women's soccer program, due in large part to a gift of \$800,000 from Deborah Robbie Olson in the name of her mother Elizabeth Lyle Robbie.

Olson has also contributed \$100,000 for a scholarship endowment for the soccer program.

UP NEXT—Minnesota caps off its 1998 regular season with a trip to the Southwest, where they will play a pair of games in Albuquerque, N.M.

The Gophers will face Nevada-Las Vegas, a first-year program, Oct. 30, at 5 p.m. MDT. Minnesota then finishes the regular season, Nov. 1, when it takes on New Mexico at 11 a.m. MDT.

BREAKING IT DOWN—Here is how Minnesota's record breaks down through 14 games.

GOPHER RECORD WHEN:

Scoring first	8-0-0
Opponent scores first	1-5-0
Leading at halftime	7-0-0
Opponent leads at halftime	0-2-0
Tied at halftime	2-3-0
Outscoring opponent in second half	6-1-0
Outscored by opponent in second half	0-3-0
Even with opponent in second half	3-1-0
In overtime	0-1-0
Outshooting opponent	8-2-0
Outshot by opponent	1-3-0
Shots are even	0-0-0
Having more corner kicks than opponent	7-2-0
Opponent has more corner kicks	1-2-0
Corner kicks are even	1-1-0
Big Ten Conference game	5-4-0
Non-conference game	4-1-0
At St. Paul Campus Soccer Field	5-4-0
On the road	4-1-0
At neutral site	0-0-0

BIG TEN STANDINGS—Upsets marked the Big Ten's final weekend of play and Penn State emerged as the conference champion.

The sixth-ranked Nittany Lions, who will host the Big Ten Tournament, Nov. 5-8, lost 1-0 at Northwestern on Friday but came back with a 4-2 win at Wisconsin on Sunday to finish at 7-1-1.

Here's how the Big Ten standings look with just one conference game, Indiana at Illinois on Friday, remaining to be played.

TEAM	BIG TEN					OVERALL			
	W	L	T	Pct.	Pts	W	L	T	Pct.
1. Penn State	7	1	1	.833	22	13	1	1	.900
2. Wisconsin	6	2	1	.722	19	8	5	1	.607
3. Northwestern	6	3	0	.667	18	10	3	1	.750
4. Michigan	5	3	1	.611	16	11	3	1	.767
5. Indiana	5	3	0	.625	15	9	5	0	.642
Minnesota	5	4	0	.556	15	9	5	0	.642
7. Ohio State	3	5	1	.389	10	8	6	1	.567
8. Illinois	3	5	0	.375	9	9	6	0	.600
9. Iowa	1	7	1	.167	4	6	7	2	.467
10. Michigan State	0	8	1	.056	1	3	10	2	.267

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Tuesday, Oct. 20

Indiana at Cincinnati

Saturday, Oct. 24

Minnesota at Texas Christian

Penn State at James Madison

Wednesday, Oct. 21

Bowling Green at Michigan State

Penn State at Rutgers

Sunday, Oct. 25

Purdue at Michigan State

Minnesota at SMU

Butler at Northwestern

Detroit at Ohio State

Wisconsin at UW-Milwaukee

Iowa at Northern Illinois

Friday, Oct. 23

Indiana at Illinois

UW-Milwaukee at Iowa

Notre Dame at Michigan

Wright State at Michigan State

Loyola at Northwestern

UW-Green Bay at Ohio State

Wisconsin at Northern Illinois

GONE POLLING—Here is the latest national poll from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America, sponsored by Umbro, as of Oct. 12.

School	Record	Points	LW
1. North Carolina	13-0-0	300	1
2. Notre Dame	11-1-0	283	2
3. Santa Clara	12-0-1	282	3
4. Connecticut	12-0-1	257	4
5. Florida	11-1-0	256	5
6. Penn State	12-0-1	242	6
7. Portland	9-0-2	227	7
8. Vanderbilt	9-3-0	205	8
9. Dartmouth	8-1-1	191	10
10. William & Mary	8-1-1	190	11
11. San Diego State	11-1-0	185	14
12. Nebraska	9-2-1	174	13
13. Clemson	9-3-0	158	12
14. UCLA	12-1-1	141	t20
15. Maryland	8-4-1	114	t20
16. Hartford	7-4-0	102	15
17. Indiana	8-4-0	88	16
18. Baylor	10-3-0	76	23
Brigham Young	11-2-0	76	25
20. Wisconsin	8-4-0	75	NR
21. Wake Forest	9-3-1	69	t21
22. Virginia	7-4-2	52	17
23. Harvard	6-2-1	42	t21
24. Texas A&M	7-5-0	25	19
25. Stanford	7-3-2	21	9

Also receiving votes: Northwestern, Michigan, Georgia, George Mason.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER
 Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Oct 18, 1998)
 All games

Overall: 9-5-0 Conf: 5-4-0 Home: 5-3-0 Away: 4-2-0 Neut: 0-0-0

##	Name	GP-GS	Min	G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	YC-RC	GW	PK-ATT
2	Nicole Lee	14-14	1094	12	5	29	51	.235	1-0	5	0-0
16	Laurie Seidl	14-14	958	13	0	26	46	.283	0-0	3	0-1
6	Alison Rackley	14-14	1127	6	6	18	37	.162	1-0	1	0-0
15	Corinne Bolder	14-2	738	2	5	9	26	.077	0-0	0	0-0
22	Megan Johnson	14-12	608	2	1	5	14	.143	0-0	0	0-0
7	Amy Koehler	12-0	354	1	3	5	5	.200	1-0	0	0-0
11	Juli Montgomery	14-14	1027	1	2	4	15	.067	0-0	0	0-0
5	Samantha Meyers	14-14	936	0	2	2	15	.000	0-0	0	0-0
12	Erika Kruse	12-0	450	0	2	2	2	.000	0-0	0	0-0
10	Erin Holland	14-14	1144	0	1	1	21	.000	1-0	0	0-0
13	Kelly Shea	11-11	450	0	1	1	8	.000	0-0	0	0-0
25	Jamie Wyffels	14-10	1088	0	1	1	3	.000	0-0	0	0-0
14	Noelle Papenhausen	14-8	905	0	0	0	9	.000	1-0	0	0-0
20	Erica Berghauer	2-0	53	0	0	0	5	.000	0-0	0	0-0
3	Vanessa Touset	13-13	1045	0	0	0	5	.000	2-1	0	0-0
8	Allyson Brodie	13-0	425	0	0	0	4	.000	0-0	0	0-0
24	Natalie Fevig	2-0	24	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
23	Megan O'Leary	1-0	23	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
19	Jada Hansen	2-0	20	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
18	Sarah FitzGerald	11-0	162	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
17	Rose Grimm	2-0	44	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
1	Julie Eibensteiner	5-0	248	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
00	Dana Larson	13-0	1021	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Total.....		14	13944	37	29	103	266	.139	7-1	9	0-1
Opponents.....		14	-	15	10	40	159	.094	8-1	5	3-3

##	Name	GP-GS	Minutes	---GOAL AVERAGE---		--SAVES--		----RECORD-----			Shots Faced	
				GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T		
1	Julie Eibensteiner	5-1	248:10	2	0.73	6	.750	1	1	0	2.0	17
00	Dana Larson	13-13	1021:10	13	1.15	65	.833	8	4	0	3.0	142
Total.....		14	1269:20	15	1.06	72	.828	9	5	0	5	159
Opponents.....		14	1269:20	37	2.62	126	.773	5	9	0	5	264

Team saves: 1

GOALS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total	CORNER KICKS BY PRD	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Minnesota.....	18	19	0	37	Minnesota.....	36	36	0	72
Opponents.....	5	9	1	15	Opponents.....	19	21	2	42

SHOTS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total	FOULS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Minnesota.....	143	122	1	266	Minnesota.....	79	73	0	152
Opponents.....	76	81	3	160	Opponents.....	71	73	1	145

SAVES BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total	ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	MINN	OPP
Minnesota.....	30	41	1	72	Total.....	3891	1280
Opponents.....	71	54	1	126	Dates/Avg Per Date..	8/486	6/213
					Neutral Site #/Avg..	0/0	

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER
 Minnesota Game Results (as of Oct 19, 1998)
 All games

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	Conf	Attend
Sep 01, 1998	at Cincinnati	0-1 L	0- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	135
Sep 07, 1998	MINNESOTA-DULUTH	W 7-0	1- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	554
Sep 11, 1998	WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY	W 7-0	2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	176
Sep 13, 1998	PURDUE	W 4-2	3- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	440
* Sep 18, 1998	at Iowa	W 3-0	4- 1- 0	1- 0- 0	184
Sep 21, 1998	at Washington State	W 4-2	5- 1- 0	1- 0- 0	129
* Sep 25, 1998	WISCONSIN	0-2 L	5- 2- 0	1- 1- 0	677
* Sep 27, 1998	NORTHWESTERN	1-2 L	5- 3- 0	1- 2- 0	592
* Oct 02, 1998	at Michigan State	W 4-1	6- 3- 0	2- 2- 0	100
* Oct 04, 1998	at Michigan	W 1-0	7- 3- 0	3- 2- 0	435
* Oct 09, 1998	at Penn State	2-3 L OT	7- 4- 0	3- 3- 0	297
* Oct 11, 1998	OHIO STATE	0-1 L	7- 5- 0	3- 4- 0	635
* Oct 16, 1998	INDIANA	W 1-0	8- 5- 0	4- 4- 0	292
* Oct 18, 1998	ILLINOIS	W 3-1	9- 5- 0	5- 4- 0	525
Oct 24, 1998	at Texas Christian	(1:00 pm)			
Oct 25, 1998	at Southern Methodist	(3:00 pm)			
Oct 30, 1998	vs Nevada-Las Vegas	(5:00 pm)			
Nov 01, 1998	at New Mexico	(11:00 am)			

*-Big Ten game
 @-Big Ten tournament

TEAM RECORD	W-L-T	ATTEND	Dates	Total	Average
Overall:	9- 5- 0	Total:	14	5171	369
Conference:	5- 4- 0	Home:	8	3891	486
Home:	5- 3- 0	Away:	6	1280	213
Away:	4- 2- 0	Neutral:	0	0	0
Neutral:	0- 0- 0				
Overtime:	0- 1- 0				



1998 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

1	Wis.-Green Bay	W, 3-0
4-5	at Naval Academy Tourn. (Annapolis, Md.)	
	vs. Virginia	W, 3-2
	vs. Loyola	W, 3-0
	vs. Buffalo	W, 3-0
	vs. Navy	W, 3-0
7	at American	W, 3-2
11-12	Minnesota Nike Invitational	
11	vs. Oregon	W, 3-0
12	vs. Wake Forest	W, 3-0
	vs. Missouri	W, 3-1
18-19	Diet Coke Classic	
18	vs. Rutgers	W, 3-0
19	vs. Auburn	L, 3-2
21	USA Team (exh.)	L, 3-1
25	Penn State *	L, 3-0
26	Ohio State *	W, 3-1

OCTOBER

2	at Iowa *	W, 3-2
3	at Wisconsin *	L, 3-0
9	at Michigan *	L, 3-0
10	at Michigan State *	L, 3-0
16	Northwestern *	W, 3-0
17	Indiana *	W, 3-0
23	at Purdue *	7:30 p.m.
24	at Illinois *	7 p.m.
30	Wisconsin *	7 p.m.
31	Iowa *	7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

6	Michigan State *	7 p.m.
7	Michigan *	7 p.m.
13	at Ohio State *	7 p.m.
14	at Penn State *	7:30 p.m.
20	at Indiana *	7 p.m.
21	at Northwestern *	7 p.m.
27	Illinois *	7 p.m.
28	Purdue *	7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER

3-6	NCAA First/Second Rounds
10-13	NCAA Regionals
17-19	NCAA Finals (Madison, Wis.)

Home matches in **bold** played at Sports Pavilion

* Big Ten Matches

Minnesota Volleyball 1998



Minnesota at Purdue
Friday, Oct. 23 - West Lafayette, Ind.
Minnesota at Illinois
Saturday, Oct. 24 - Champaign, Ill.
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GOLDEN GOPHERS HIT MIDPOINT OF BIG TEN SEASON — The University of Minnesota volleyball team (14-5, 4-4 Big Ten) hits the midpoint of the Big Ten Conference season this weekend with road matches at Purdue and Illinois. The Golden Gophers face Purdue (10-7, 4-4 Big Ten) on Friday in West Lafayette, Ind., Oct. 23, then travel to battle Illinois (13-5, 6-2 Big Ten) in Champaign, Ill., on Saturday, Oct. 24.

SIX BIG TEN TEAMS IN NATIONAL POLL — The Big Ten Conference continues its prominence in the *USA Today*/AVCA Coaches Poll with six league teams listed among the nation's top 25 this week. Joining No. 2 Penn State and No. 5 Wisconsin are No. 18 Illinois, No. 21 Michigan State, No. 23 Ohio State and No. 24 Minnesota. One other conference school, Michigan, received votes. Minnesota, who has been ranked for six straight weeks, improved its ranking by one spot to No. 24 this week.

KKMS RADIO ON THE ROAD WITH THE GOPHERS — KKMS Radio (980 AM) takes to the road with the Golden Gophers this weekend and will be broadcasting both the Purdue and Illinois matches. Paul Barnes and Minnesota Sports Information Director Becky Bohm will call the action.

BRINGIN' OUT THE BROOMS — Minnesota capitalized on its first opportunity to garner a weekend sweep in Big Ten play, blitzing Indiana, 3-0, on Saturday, after downing Northwestern in three straight games on Friday. The Gophers improved their home record at the Sports Pavilion this season to 8-2 with the victories.

BERG BRINGS OUT THE BEST IN THE GOPHERS — Lindsey Berg (Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou) helped the Gophers to the weekend sweep by contributing a pair of fine all-around matches from her setter position. Berg, a first-year Gopher, was credited with 90 assists, an average of 15.0 assists per game. She also added six service aces, eight kills and 17 digs. The Gopher hitters benefitted from Berg's setting talents, hitting a combined .319 in match against Northwestern and Indiana. Berg's 61 assists versus Northwestern was the second-highest three-game total in Minnesota history, behind only Berg's 63-assist outing earlier this season against Oregon.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP —

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School/Club*
S	Lindsey Berg	5-8	Fr.	Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou
OH	Nicole Branagh	6-1	So.	Orinda, Calif./Miramonte
OH	Yvonne Wichert	5-11	Fr.	Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden*
OH	Sonja Posthuma	6-0	So.	Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus
MB	Heather Baxter	6-0	So.	Aurora, Ill./Aurora West
MB	Stephanie Hagen	6-3	Fr.	Minnetonka, Minn./Hopkins
	or			
DS	Susan Shudlick	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

1998 BIG TEN STANDINGS

(As of Oct. 19)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State	8	0	1.000	18	0	1.000
Wisconsin	7	1	.875	17	2	.895
Illinois	6	2	.750	13	5	.722
Michigan State	5	3	.625	12	4	.750
Minnesota	4	4	.500	14	5	.737
Purdue	4	4	.500	10	7	.588
Indiana	3	5	.375	10	7	.588
Ohio State	3	5	.375	10	7	.588
Northwestern	2	6	.250	12	8	.600
Michigan	2	6	.250	10	8	.556
Iowa	0	8	.000	6	11	.353

This Week in the Big Ten —

Wed., Oct. 21	Illinois at Purdue
Fri., Oct. 23	Penn State at Indiana
	Wisconsin at Michigan
	Iowa at Michigan State
	Minnesota at Purdue
	Ohio State at Northwestern
Sat., Oct. 24	Penn State at Northwestern
	Wisconsin at Michigan State
	Minnesota at Illinois
	Ohio State at Indiana
	Iowa at Michigan

Last Week in the Big Ten — (Home team in CAPS)

Wed., Oct. 14	NORTHWESTERN 3, Indiana 0
Fri., Oct. 16	PENN STATE 3, Michigan State 0
	WISCONSIN 3, Illinois 0
	Michigan State 3, OHIO STATE 1
	MINNESOTA 3, Northwestern 0
	Purdue 3, IOWA 1
Sat., Oct. 17	PENN STATE 3, Michigan State 0
	WISCONSIN 3, Purdue 0
	Illinois 3, IOWA 1
	MINNESOTA 3, Indiana 0
	OHIO STATE 3, Michigan 1

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT — Head coach **Mike Hebert** is in his third season at Minnesota and sports a record of 61-26 (.701) with the Gophers. He has guided the Gophers to consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances and upper echelon Big Ten finishes. Overall in 22 years of coaching, **Hebert** owns a career mark of 633-283 (.691) and has directed teams to NCAA Tournament appearances in each of the last 13 seasons. He is one of just eight active NCAA Division I coaches with over 600 career victories.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** are in their third seasons at Minnesota and fifth on **Mike Hebert's** coaching staff.

HOT HITTING GOPHERS — The Minnesota offense hit a .319 last weekend but two Gophers had all guns blazing. Sophomore outside hitter **Sonja Posthuma (Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus)** hit for a .536 attack percentage in an average of 3.17 kills per game. **Stephanie Hagen (Minnetonka, Minn./Hopkins)** strung together two of the best matches in her young Minnesota career, tallying a .464 hitting percentage with 2.50 kills and 1.67 blocks per game.

HAMMERING THE HOOSIERS — Minnesota hit .345 as a team to blast Indiana in three straight games by scores of 15-13, 15-4, 15-8. The Gophers spread the wealth on offense with **Nicole Branagh (Orinda, Calif./Miramonte)** pacing Minnesota with just 11 kills, while four other Gophers chipped in six or more winners.

GOPHERS SWEEP THE WILDCATS — Minnesota turned in perhaps its best all-around performance of the season in defeating Northwestern, 15-13, 15-9, 15-12. The Gophers hit .303 as a team and outblocked the Wildcats by a 15-9 margin. **Nicole Branagh** led the Gopher offense with 22 kills.

GOPHERS PUT UP BIG NUMBERS — Several Golden Gophers contributed big numbers statistically to the Minnesota victory over Northwestern. **Nicole Branagh** gathered a team-high 22 kills in a .326 attack percentage. The match marked the 10th time this season that **Branagh** has collected over 20 kills in a match. Outside hitters **Yvonné Wichert (Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden)** and **Sonja Posthuma (Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus)** joined **Branagh** in double figures with 18 and 12 kills, respectively.

B&B BIG OFF THE BENCH — The Golden Gopher defense received a huge shot in the arm with the play of first-year defensive specialist **Ali Berres (Naperville, Ill./Benet Academy)** and sophomore middle blocker **Heather Baxter (Aurora, Ill./West)**. Against Northwestern, **Berres** topped the defense with a career-high 12 digs. **Baxter** hit eight kills in a .375 attack percentage while tabbing seven digs and career-high nine total blocks. Both earned spots in the starting lineup the next night versus Indiana.

POWER SERVE, POWER POINTS — First-year setter **Lindsey Berg** served a total of 24 points for the Gophers in the Northwestern and Indiana matches combined. In the Gophers' 3-0 sweep of Northwestern, **Berg** served the equivalent of a whole game's worth of points, tallying 15 points off her serve including four aces.

BIG BLOCKER — First-year middle blocker **Stephanie Hagen (Minnetonka, Minn./Hopkins)** leads the Gophers in blocks with 68. **Hagen** has also found the groove offensively, hitting over a .400 attack percentage nine times this season, including a .467 (8-1-15) and .462 (7-1-13) performances last weekend. **Hagen** stands at .314 for the season.

CARRYING THE LOAD — The Golden Gophers often feature a sextet of first and second-year players on the court. The sophomore class, highlighted by preseason All-Big Ten performer **Nicole Branagh** and her team-leading 347 kills, contribute 58 percent (640/1096 kills) on the Gophers' firepower on offense. The first-year players add 38 percent (418/1086 kills), topped by **Yvonne Wichert's** 230 kills. Add the two classes together and they combine for a whopping 96 percent of the Gopher putaways on offense.

THE BIG GUN — Gopher leading hitter **Nicole Branagh** is putting up big numbers in the kills category. Averaging 5.34 kills per game, **Branagh** has amassed 347 kills, tallying 10 20-plus kills matches along the way. She is currently ranked second in the Big Ten in kills per game behind Michigan State's Jenna Wrobel.

SETTING THE STANDARD — Setter **Lindsey Berg** has done nothing but excel in her first year with the Gophers. **Berg** is averaging 12.89 assists per game.

DEALIN' ACES — Minnesota leads the Big Ten in service aces per game. The serving of **Nicole Branagh** and **Lindsey Berg** are the reason behind the Gophers' top-ranked status. **Berg** leads the Big Ten with 35 aces (0.56 avg.). **Branagh** is third with 29 aces (0.43 avg.).

INTERNATIONAL FLAIR — The pair of Europeans on the Gopher roster provide more than international flair to the starting lineup. Outside hitters **Yvonne Wichert** from Germany and **Sonja Posthuma** from the Netherlands rank second and third, respectively, on the team in kills. **Wichert** averages 3.54 kills per game. **Posthuma**, a co-captain, contributes 2.50 kills and a team-best 2.48 digs per game.

MASH UNIT — Senior co-captain **Linda Shudlick (Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley)** will miss the 1998 season due to a knee injury suffered in spring practice last April. **Shudlick**, a middle blocker, tore the anterior cruciate ligament of her left knee during a blocking drill and underwent surgery in May. She will be eligible for the 1999 season.

Junior **Jill Holmstrom (Dellwood, Minn./Mahtomedi)** will also miss the season after surgery on her right shoulder. **Holmstrom** joined the Gophers this season as a transfer from Xavier.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

PURDUE — Purdue owns a 10-7 overall record, 4-4 in the Big Ten, heading into a midweek battle at home versus Illinois. The Boilermakers lost to Wisconsin in their last outing but before then quietly moved themselves into the middle of the pack of the Big Ten standings. Senior outside hitter **Bev Krupa** leads the team with 257 kills and 164 digs. Junior middle blocker **Sarah Emke** is another Boilermaker to watch, hitting .303 with 168 kills and a team-high 51 blocks.

Purdue head coach **Joey Vrazel** is in her fourth season with the Boilermakers and owns a 41-67 record.

The Series — Minnesota leads 24-21 in the closest margin in a series against Big Ten opponents. The Gophers have won the last five matches of the series, the last four each going four games.

ILLINOIS — An experienced and talented Illinois team travels to Purdue on Wednesday sporting a 13-5 overall record, 6-2 and third in the Big Ten. The Illinois squad features 10, nine of whom are either juniors or seniors. Junior outside hitter **Tracey Marshall** is the leading hitter with 326 kills. She also tops the Big Ten in digs per game at 4.12. Junior setter **Melissa Beitz** leads the conference in assists at 15.75 per game.

Illinois head coach **Don Hardin** is in his third season at Illinois and sports a 33-33 record with the orange and blue.

The Series — Illinois leads 28-11-1. Minnesota has won three of the last four matches, but Illinois captured the last meeting in the final regular-season match last season.

LONG BEACH STATE STAYS AT NO. 1 IN USA TODAY / AVCA TOP 25 COACHES POLL —

Poll #7 (Oct. 20)	Points	Record	Lt. Wk
1. Long Beach State (38)	1477	18-0	1
2. Penn State (21)	1456	18-0	2
3. Nebraska (1)	1387	16-0	3
4. BYU	1308	17-1	5
5. Wisconsin	1235	17-2	6
6. Stanford	1186	14-2	7
7. UC Santa Barbara	1144	18-2	4
8. Florida	1083	17-2	9
9. Hawaii	995	13-2	10
10. Pacific	928	15-3	11
11. USC	925	12-4	8
12. Texas	864	13-3	13
13. Colorado	785	13-2	12
14. Arkansas	704	14-3	14
15. Texas A&M	643	12-4	15
16. Loyola Marymount	556	14-4	17
17. Arizona	512	16-2	19
18. Illinois	510	13-5	18
19. San Diego	431	15-3	16
20. Louisville	368	16-2	20
21. Michigan State	299	12-4	22
22. Kansas State	227	12-5	23
23. Ohio State	185	10-7	21
24. Minnesota	132	14-5	25
25. UCLA	49	7-9	NR

Dropped out of the top 25
North Carolina 24

Others receiving points: North Carolina (43), Colorado State (12), Miami OH (10), Texas Tech (10), Washington State (9), Eastern Washington (7), Cal Poly SLO (4), South Carolina (3), Florida State (2), Michigan (2), Cincinnati (1), Fairfield (1), Fresno State (1), Illinois State (1), Northern Illinois (1), Northern Iowa (1), Oral Roberts (1), Santa Clara (1), Wake Forest (1).

UP NEXT FOR THE GOPHERS — Minnesota embarks on the second half of the Big Ten season with home matches against Wisconsin on Oct. 30, and versus Iowa on Oct. 31.

University of Minnesota Volleyball
 #25 Minnesota Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 18, 1998)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	{ 14-5 }	{ 8-2 }	{ 3-3 }	{ 3-0 }
CONFERENCE.....	{ 4-4 }	{ 3-1 }	{ 1-3 }	{ 0-0 }
NON-CONFERENCE.....	{ 10-1 }	{ 5-1 }	{ 2-0 }	{ 3-0 }

#	SUMMARY (by ##)	G	ATTACK				Set		SERVE			DIG		BLOCKING				BE	BHE		
			K	K/Game	E	TA	Pct	A	A/Game	SA	SE	SA/Gm	RE	DIG	Dig/G	BS	BA			Total	B/Game
15	Nicole Branagh	65	347	5.34	103	771	.316	11	0.17	28	50	0.43	32	141	2.17	1	31	32	0.49	6	3
3	Yvonne Wichert	65	230	3.54	103	529	.240	9	0.14	21	29	0.32	19	107	1.65	3	23	26	0.40	2	1
11	Sonja Posthuma	64	160	2.50	60	338	.296	42	0.66	9	25	0.14	35	159	2.48	4	27	31	0.48	2	1
10	Stephanie Hagen	64	132	2.06	42	287	.314	6	0.09	3	3	0.05	2	33	0.52	13	55	68	1.06	2	1
4	Erica Glaser	46	70	1.52	26	133	.331	0	0.00	3	10	0.07	2	16	0.35	7	25	32	0.70	3	0
8	Heather Baxter	40	63	1.58	20	137	.314	4	0.10	5	7	0.13	0	48	1.20	7	24	31	0.77	7	0
2	Lindsey Berg	63	55	0.87	32	154	.149	812	12.89	35	34	0.56	1	134	2.13	0	27	27	0.43	4	15
18	Jill McDonnell	56	35	0.63	8	89	.303	17	0.30	9	11	0.16	10	61	1.09	0	2	2	0.04	2	0
14	Susan Shudlick	47	2	0.04	4	8	-.250	69	1.47	10	16	0.21	2	44	0.94	1	0	1	0.02	1	0
6	Ali Berres	42	1	0.02	1	2	.000	5	0.12	6	8	0.14	2	67	1.60	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
13	Heather Swenson	14	1	0.07	0	1	1.000	1	0.07	2	3	0.14	0	8	0.57	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
16	Morning Song Manning	12	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	1	2	0.08	1	10	0.83	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
0	Team	0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	6	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
5	Lisa Aschenbrenner	4	0	0.00	2	4	-.500	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
Total.....		67	1096	16.36	401	2453	.283	976	14.57	132	198	1.97	112	828	12.36	36	214	143.0	2.13	29	21
Opponents.....		67	951	14.19	426	2442	.215	870	12.99	112	208	1.67	138	746	11.13	32	229	146.5	2.19	36	28

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
ATTACK.....			9-1-98	WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY	W	3-0	699
Kills.....	1096	951	9-4-98	vs Virginia	W	3-2	313
Errors.....	401	426	9-5-98	vs Loyola (Md.)	W	3-0	300
Total Attacks.....	2453	2442	9-5-98	vs Buffalo	W	3-0	300
Attack Pct.....	.283	.215	9-5-98	at Navy	W	3-0	250
Kills/Game.....	16.4	14.2	9-7-98	at American	W	3-2	172
SET.....			9-11-98	OREGON	W	3-0	881
Assists.....	976	870	9-12-98	WAKE FOREST	W	3-0	1008
Assists/Game.....	14.6	13.0	9-12-98	MISSOURI	W	3-1	1008
SERVE.....			9-18-98	RUTGERS	W	3-0	1733
Aces.....	132	112	9-19-98	AUBURN	L	2-3	1901
Errors.....	198	208	*9-25-98	#1 PENN STATE	L	0-3	2372
Aces/Game.....	2.0	1.7	*9-26-98	#14 OHIO STATE	W	3-1	1397
SERVE RECEPTIONS.....			*10-2-98	at Iowa	W	3-2	419
Errors.....	112	138	*10-3-98	at #6 Wisconsin	L	0-3	3605
Errors/Game.....	1.7	2.1	*10-98-98	at Michigan	L	0-3	883
DEFENSE.....			*10-10-98	at #23 Michigan State	L	0-3	1402
Digs.....	828	746	*10-16-98\	NORTHWESTERN	W	3-0	2006
Digs/Game.....	12.4	11.1	*10-17-98	INDIANA	W	3-0	1639
BLOCKING.....			* denotes conference game				
Block Solo.....	36	32					
Block Assist.....	214	229					
Total Blocks.....	143.0	146.5					
Blocks Per Game.....	2.1	2.2					
Block Errors.....	29	36					
BALL HANDLING ERRORS.....	21	28					
ATTENDANCE.....							
Total.....	14644	6731					
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	10/1464	6/1122					
Neutral site #/Avg.....	3/304						

1998 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 5 **Intrasquad** Gold 24, Maroon 31
 11 **Drake Dual** 1st of 2 teams (26)
 19 St. Olaf Invitational 3rd (119)
 26 **Roy Griak Invitational** t-4th (148)

OCTOBER

- 2 Eau Claire Quad 1st of 7 (40)
 10 Timmons Invite 12th of 32 (325)
 17 Iowa State Memorial 1st of 10 (52)
 23 **Minnesota Qualifier** 4 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 1 Big Ten Championship
 (Michigan)
 8 **Rocky's Run** 10:30 a.m.
 14 Midwest Regional
 (Wichita State)
 23 NCAA Championship
 (University of Kansas)

All home meets in caps and bold held at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course

FinishLynx/NCAA Division I Poll #4

October 19, 1998

1. Brigham Young (9)	225	1
2. Stanford	214	2
3. Michigan	208	3
4. Providence	188	4
5. Arkansas	187	5
6. Arizona	181	6
7. Georgetown	169	10
8. Wisconsin	163	7
9. Wake Forest	149	9
10. Villanova	147	8
11. North Carolina State	137	11
12. Washington	126	13
13. Northern Arizona	122	12
14. William & Mary	103	14
15. Arizona State	98	15
16. Oregon	76	16
17. Dartmouth	68	17
18. Kansas State	66	18
19. South Florida	60	19
20. Colorado	58	20
21. Baylor	50	21
22. Tennessee	38	NR
23. UCLA	28	24
24. Florida	22	23
25. Ohio University	9	NR

Other Teams Also Receiving Votes:
 Oklahoma State 6, Virginia, West
 Virginia 6, Cornell 5, **Minnesota 3**,
 Bowling Green 2, Weber State 1.



Minnesota Cross Country

Minnesota hosts the Minnesota Qualifier
 Friday, Oct. 23, 4 p.m.
 Les Bolstad Cross Country Course

SID Contact: Crystal Colby (612) 624-3335

GOPHERS HOST FINAL HOME MEET OF THE SEASON — The University of Minnesota women's cross country team hosts St. Olaf and individual runners in the Minnesota Qualifier Friday, Oct. 23, at 4 p.m. at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course.

MINNESOTA RECEIVES VOTES IN FINISHLYNX POLL — Minnesota received three votes in the latest FinishLynx/NCAA Division I cross country poll, released Oct. 19. The three votes would be a No. 30 ranking if the poll was carried out past 25 teams. Minnesota was ranked No. 17 for two weeks earlier in the season.

GOPHERS WIN IOWA STATE MEMORIAL INVITATIONAL — The Gophers won the Iowa State Memorial Invitational for the second consecutive year Saturday in Ames, Iowa. Junior **Rasa Michniovaite (Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius)** won her third individual title of the season, placing first in 17 minutes, 49 seconds. Sophomore **Corinne Nimt (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie)** was the Gophers' second finisher, seventh overall, in 18:37. Sophomore **Elaine Eggleston (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** placed eighth in 18:45. Other scorers for the Gophers were junior **Minna Haronoja (Ilo, Finland/Vammala)**, 17th in 19:22, and newcomer **Victoria Moses (New Brighton, Minn./Irondale)**, 23rd in 19:29.

Minnesota placed first with 52 points. Host Iowa State was second with 88 points and Columbia was third with 92.

MICHNIOVAITE WINS AGAIN — Junior **Rasa Michniovaite**, in her first season as a Gopher after transferring from the University of Vilnius in Lithuania, won the Iowa State Memorial Invitational in Ames, Iowa, for her third individual title of the season. **Michniovaite** won the Roy Griak Invitational Sept. 26 and the Drake Dual Sept. 11. **Michniovaite** earned the Big Ten Cross Country Athlete of the Week honors after winning the Roy Griak Invitational. **Michniovaite** is Minnesota's first winner of the Roy Griak Invitational in the meet's 13-year history. Her time (17:08) ranks 14th in Minnesota history and is the team's fastest since 1996. **Michniovaite** also earned the Minnesota Women's Sports Information Athlete of the Month award for September.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — **Gary Wilson** enters his 14th season as head cross country and track and field coach at the University of Minnesota. Last season, Minnesota placed 21st at the NCAA Cross Country Championships after a third-place finish in the Big Ten Conference and NCAA Midwest Regional. Minnesota has finished in the upper half of the conference 10 of the past 11 seasons and has been ranked among the nation's top 25 teams in eight of the past 11 seasons. Wilson was named the 1989 Region IV Coach of the Year after guiding the Gophers to a second-place finish at the Region IV championship. Before coming to Minnesota, Wilson built a Division III powerhouse at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, where he coached the women's teams to three consecutive national track and field championships and one national cross country championship. He also coached the men's track and field team for seven years. In all, his La Crosse teams won 21 conference championships.

UP NEXT — The Gophers travel to the Big Ten Championship Sunday, Nov. 1, in Ann Arbor, Mich.

1998 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/5	Intrasquad (St. Paul, Minn.)	Gold 24, Maroon 31	10/17	at Iowa State Memorial Invitational (Ames, Iowa) 1st of 10 (52 points)
9/11	Drake Dual (St. Paul, Minn.)	Minnesota 26, Drake 29	10/23	Minnesota Qualifier (St. Paul, Minn.)
9/19	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, Minn.)	3rd of 18 (119 points)	10/31	at Big Ten Championship (Michigan)
9/26	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, Minn.)	t-4th of 18 (148 points)	11/14	Midwest Regional (Wichita State)
10/2	at Wis.-Eau Claire Blugold Open (Colfax, Wis.)	1st of 7 (40 points)	11/23	at NCAA Championships (Greenville, S.C.)
10/10	at Bob Timmons Invitational (Lawrence, Kan.)	12th of 32 (325 points)		

	Intrasquad (4000m)	Drake Dual	St. Olaf Invitational	Roy Griak Invitational	Blugold Open	Bob Timmons Invitational	Iowa State Mem. Invite	Minnesota Qualifier	Big Ten Championship	Midwest Regional
Addy Adamson	16:56.0 (21st)	20:04.1 (18th/9th)	22:14 (105th/8th)	19:42 (116th/13th)	19:26.06 (5th/2nd)	DNC	20:31 (62nd/11th)			
Tiffany Barron	16:38.8 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC			
Katie Bauer	16:04.1 (11th)	20:07.9 (21st/12th)	20:30 (19th/2nd)	19:54 (122nd/16th)	19:50.16 (14th/5th)	DNC	DNC			
Aimee Daugs	15:42.3 (8th)	19:55.0 (16th/7th)	DNC	19:13 (91st/10th)	DNC	22:24.46 (243/9)	20:09 (49th/10th)			
Brooke Derge	16:00.6 (9th)	20:01.8 (17th/8th)	DNC	19:20 (97th/11th)	DNC	20:20.11 (18 - DII)	20:43 (71st/12th)			
Rachel Domenichetti	17:02.4 (22nd)	20:34.7 (28th/17th)	20:41 (25th/4th)	19:48 (120nd/15th)	19:28.34 (7th/3rd)	DNC	DNC			
Elaine Eggleston	15:00.5 (2nd)	17:59.0 (2nd/2nd)	DNC	17:54 (15th/2nd)	DNC	18:15.77 (33/2)	18:45 (8th/3rd)			
Chrissy Eid	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC			
Jill Field	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC			
Danielle Giusti	16:23.9 (16th)	20:05.8 (20th/11th)	21:03 (43rd/6th)	19:57 (124th/17th)	19:42.34 (10th/4th)	DNC	DNC			
Minna Haronoja	DNC	DNC	DNC	18:39 (52nd/4th)	DNC	19:22.15 (125/5)	19:22 (17th/4th)			
Christine Harper	16:02.4 (10th)	20:05.0 (19th/10th)	20:15 (14th/1st)	19:06 (81st/8th)	DNC	19:25.16 (133/6)	19:33 (24th/6th)			
Kristine Hartmark	16:15.5 (14th)	20:20 (26th/15th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC			
Amy Hoel	16:04.5 (12th)	20:12 (23rd/13th)	20:33 (21st/3rd)	19:23 (101st/12th)	DNC	20:48.33 (32 - DII)	DNC			
Deborah Hudleston	15:18.7 (4th)	19:17.4 (8th/4th)	DNC	19:08 (83rd/9th)	DNC	19:25.52 (134/7)	19:41 (31st/7th)			
Gena Johnson	15:30.9 (5th)	19:25.1 (9th/5th)	DNC	18:58 (72nd/7th)	DNC	20:01.39 (18 - DII)	19:55 (43rd/9th)			
Marja Loukkola	15:17.9 (3rd)	DNC	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNC	DNC			
Rasa Michniovaite	DNC	17:51.1 (1st/1st)	DNC	17:08 (1st/1st)	DNC	17:34.90 (7/1)	17:49 (1st/1st)			
Victoria Moses	15:36.3 (6th)	20:12.9 (24th/14th)	DNC	18:49 (62nd/6th)	DNC	19:13.52 (108/4)	19:29 (23rd/5th)			
Jenny Moylan	16:21.1 (15th)	20:23.1 (27th/16th)	20:57 (40th/5th)	19:46 (119th/14th)	19:22.71 (4th/1st)	DNC	DNC			
Corinne Nimtz	14:59.9 (1st)	18:56.5 (6th/3rd)	DNC	18:06 (23rd/3rd)	DNC	18:32.43 (53/3)	18:37 (7th/2nd)			
Tanya Prince	15:38.1 (7th)	19:39.0 (12th/6th)	DNC	18:43 (57th/5th)	DNC	19:37.39 (157/8)	19:41 (32nd/8th)			
Nikki Rassbach	16:25.0 (17th)	DNC	22:32 (120th/9th)	21:01 (124nd/19th)	20:20.59 (22nd/7th)	DNC	DNC			
Megan Schutz	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC			
Jessica Shuster	16:12.1 (13th)	20:46.0 (29th/18th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC			
Hayley Singer	16:38.8 (19th)	21:52.3 (30th/19th)	22:35 (122nd/10th)	20:53 (141st/18th)	20:01.77 (16th/6th)	DNC	DNC			
Kristie Stiles	16:46.1 (20th)	DNC	21:08 (50th/7th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC			



1997-98 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship (Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
5-8 at Indiana Invitational

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. Pepperdine 6:30 p.m.
24 Consolation & Championship Matches 4 p.m.
30 vs. Western Michigan 11 a.m. (at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 Marquette (Milwaukee, Wis.) 9 a.m.

FEBRUARY

4-7 at Rolex National Indoor Championship
7 Illinois-Chicago 8 a.m.
12 at Syracuse 3 p.m.
13 vs. Maryland (at Syracuse) 2 p.m.
20 Illinois 5 p.m.
27 Indiana 5 p.m.
28 Purdue 10 a.m.

MARCH

5 at Iowa State 3 p.m.
6 at Drake 10 a.m.
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)
14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships (Gainesville, Fla.)

All home games in caps and bold



Minnesota Tennis 1997-98 at Riviera All-American Championship Oct. 20-25 Pacific Palisades, Calif.

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SAUSKA AND RANGSITHIENCHAI TO COMPETE AT RIVIERA ALL-AMERICAN — Junior **Nora Sauska** (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty) and senior **Alice Rangsithienchai** (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor) will compete at the Riviera All-American Championship, Oct. 20-25. **Sauska** and **Rangsithienchai** will both compete in singles, with the qualifying round on Tuesday. The two will also team up in doubles, also beginning Tuesday.

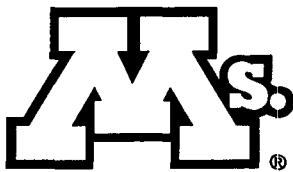
On Saturday and Sunday, **Rangsithienchai** competed in the singles prequalifying round, winning her first two matches before dropping the third. On Saturday, **Rangsithienchai** defeated Vonda Novakova of South Alabama, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, and Jenny Lee of California, 2-6, 6-2, 7-6. On Sunday, Erica Bird of Duke defeated **Rangsithienchai**, 6-3, 6-2. **Rangsithienchai** now owns a 7-2 record on the season.

PRESEASON RANKINGS — Junior **Nora Sauska** and senior **Alice Rangsithienchai** are ranked No. 14 in doubles in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings preseason poll. In individual rankings, **Sauska** is ranked No. 52.

LAST COMPETITION: UNLV INVITATIONAL — The doubles team of senior **Nora Sauska** and newcomer **Jen Howard** (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea) won the Flight B doubles title to lead the Gophers at the UNLV Women's Tennis Fall Invitational in Las Vegas, Nev. **Sauska** and **Howard**, who finished with a perfect 4-0 record, defeated Catherine Hall and Meling Parks of Utah, 8-1, in the championship match.

In Minnesota's other championship match, junior **Kim Simonsen** (Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West) fell to Gee Gee Garvin of BYU, 6-3, 6-0, in the Flight A singles bracket.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — Martin Novak enters his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gopher women's tennis team. Novak has compiled an 82-95 record against some of the toughest opponents in the nation, including the powerful Big Ten Conference. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten. Novak earned a bachelor's degree in education with a concentration in kinesiology from Texas Christian University in 1984. He attended the University of Arkansas and received a master's degree in physical education with a concentration in sports management in 1988.



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 Minnesota Inv.
3rd of 13 teams
- 25-27 Lady Northern
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
8th of 14 teams

OCTOBER

- 12-13 Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot Out
(Bloomington, Ind.)
11th of 15 teams
- 23-24 Notre Dame Inv.
(Bonita Springs, Fla.)

FEBRUARY

- 27-28 Midwest Classic
(Dallas, Tex.)

MARCH

- 8-9 Peggy Kirk Invitational
(Winter Springs, Fla.)
- 27-28 Myrtle Beach Classic
(Myrtle Beach, S.C.)

APRIL

- 10-11 Indiana Invitational
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 17-18 Hawkeye Invitational
(Iowa City, Iowa)
- 24-25 Buckeye Invitational
(Columbus, Ohio)
- 30 Big Ten Championship
(West Lafayette, Ind.)

MAY

- 1-2 Big Ten Championship
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 6-8 NCAA East Regional
(U. of South Carolina)
- 19-22 NCAA Championship
(Tulsa University)

Home tournament played at the U. of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course



Minnesota Golf 1998-99

Notre Dame Invitational
Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24
Bonita Springs, Fla.

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GOLDEN GOPHER GOLFERS CLOSE FALL SEASON – The University of Minnesota women’s golf team closes its fall schedule by travelling to Bonita Springs, Fla., to compete in the Notre Dame Invitational, Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24. Joining Minnesota and host Notre Dame in the 36-hole (18-18) event held at the Cypress Golf Course are Boston College, Cincinnati, Illinois, Illinois State, Iowa, Kent State, Michigan, Michigan State, Northwestern, Xavier and Wisconsin.

LAST TIME ON THE LINKS – The Gophers finished 11th at the Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout at The Legends golf course in Franklin, Ind., on Oct. 12-13. Texas overcame a nine-stroke deficit in the final round to edge Oklahoma State for the team title by a 891 to 895 margin. Purdue placed third with 900 as the top Big Ten finisher. Minnesota scored 938 and was sixth of the eight Big Ten schools to compete.

Indiana’s Erin Carney captured medalist honors with a 214, carding the only sub-par in the final round with a 1-under par 71 on the 6,023-yard course.

Senior **Melanie Lepp (Easton, Minn./United South Central)** led the Gopher finishers with a score of 232 (78-76-78) to tie for 28th place. **Kristi Weichert Caledonia, Minn./Caledonia** tallied a total of 235 (78-80-77) to tie for 43rd.

Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout (The Legends – Franklin, Ind.)
Oct. 12-13, 1998

Team Standings

1.	Texas	293-301-297	891
2.	Oklahoma State	292-293-310	895
3.	Purdue	297-300-303	900
4.	Michigan State	292-300-309	901
5.	Ohio State	300-294-310	904
6.	Indiana	310-302-299	911
7.	Nebraska	301-309-313	923
8.	Northwestern	297-314-317	928
9.	Missouri	308-309-314	931
10.	Kansas	313-304-319	936
11.	Minnesota	313-315-310	938
12.	Oklahoma	316-316-310	942
13.	Wisconsin	307-316-320	943
14.	Iowa	311-331-323	965
15.	Kansas State	315-325-331	971

Top 10 Individuals

Erin Carney (Indiana) 69-74-71-214; 2. Salimah Mussani (Texas) 68-71-77-216; 3. Kasey Gant (Michigan State) 68-74-77-219; 3. Randi Meadows (Texas) 73-75-71-219. 5. Amy Roux (Nebraska) 68-77-75-220; 6. Natalie Mosher (Ohio State) 74-70-77-221; 6. Emma Zackrisson (Oklahoma State) 72-71-78-221; 8. Amber Amstutz (Ohio State) 73-73-76-222; 8. Angela Blythe (Purdue) 72-74-76-222; 8. Jo Jo Robertson (Oklahoma State) 74-71-77-222.

Minnesota Finishers

T28	Melanie Lepp	78-76-78	232
T43	Kristi Weichert	78-80-77	235
T46	Cindy Cannon	81-79-76	236
49.	Michelle Ballou	78-80-79	237
T59	Jenny Bruun	79-82-81	242

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, Nov. 17
BB hosts Illinois State 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 20
HO hosts MSU, Mankato 7 p.m.
S&D hosts Minnesota Inv.
swimming prelims 11 a.m.
diving prelims 1 p.m.
finals 6 p.m.
VB at Indiana 7 p.m.
BB at Hawaiian Regent Classic vs. Hawaii 9 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 21
S&D hosts Minnesota Inv.
swimming prelims 11 a.m.
diving prelims 1 p.m.
finals 6 p.m.
VB at Northwestern 7 p.m.
BB at Hawaiian Regent Classic vs. Kansas 5 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 22
S&D hosts Minnesota Inv.
swimming prelims 10 a.m.
diving prelims Noon
finals 3 p.m.
BB at Hawaiian Regent Classic vs. Massachusetts 7 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 23
CC at NCAA Championship

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What's Coming Up

Cross Country

- Minnesota competes at the NCAA Championship in Lawrence, Kan., for the second consecutive year

Volleyball

- Gophers travel to Indiana and Northwestern for final Big Ten road trip of the season

Hockey

- Golden Gophers host Minnesota State, Mankato Friday

Swimming & Diving

- Gophers host 10-team Minnesota Invitational

Basketball

- Minnesota travels to the Hawaiian Regent Classic

Gopher Highlights

Cross Country

- Rasa Michniovaite wins NCAA Midwest Regional
- Gophers place third at regional meet, advance to NCAA Championship

Soccer

- Minnesota falls to Portland in the NCAA second round

Hockey

- Gophers post 10-0 wins over Bemidji State and Minn.-Duluth

Swimming and Diving

- Jenny Hennen leads Gophers' effort in Meet of Champions

Volleyball

- Setter Lindsey Berg enters top 10 list for assists in a season

1997 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Intrasquad Meet
Gold 24, Maroon 31
- 11 Minnesota/Drake Dual
1st of 2 teams (26)
- 19 St. Olaf Invitational
3rd of 18 (119)
- 26 Roy Griak Invitational
1-4th of 18 (148)

OCTOBER

- 2 Wis.-Eau Claire Blugold Open
1st of 7 (40)
- 10 Bob Timmons Invitational
12th of 32 (325)
- 17 Iowa State Memorial Invitational
1st of 10 (52)
- 23 Minnesota Qualifier
2nd of 2 (41)

NOVEMBER

- 1 Big Ten Championship
3rd of 11 (104)
- 14 NCAA Midwest Regional
3rd of 23 (118)
- 23 NCAA Championship
Lawrence, Kan.

FinishLynx/NCAA Division I Poll #6 (Nov. 16)

1. Brigham Young (6)	222	1
2. Villanova (3)	216	3
3. Arizona	195	11
4. Wisconsin	194	5
5. Arkansas	189	4
6. Stanford	185	2
7. Michigan	169	6
8. Georgetown	158	8
Providence	158	10
10. North Carolina State	155	7
11. Washington	131	9
12. Wake Forest	121	19
13. Colorado	118	22
14. Kansas State	103	15
15. Northern Arizona	94	13
16. Oregon	90	16
17. North Carolina	78	18
18. Florida	71	20
19. Missouri	52	RV
William & Mary	52	12
21. South Florida	46	21
22. Baylor	39	RV
23. Cornell	33	23
24. Minnesota	30	17
25. Tennessee	10	24

Other teams also receiving votes:
UCLA 8, Bowling Green 3, Texas 3,
Arizona State 2.



Cross Country 1998

Minnesota at NCAA Championships
Monday, Nov. 23
Lawrence, Kan.

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MINNESOTA ADVANCES TO NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP — The University of Minnesota women's cross country team received one of 13 at-large berths into the 1998 NCAA Division I Women's Cross Country Championship hosted by the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kan., Monday, Nov. 23. The Golden Gophers earned their bid with a third-place finish at Saturday's NCAA Midwest Regional. No. 24 Minnesota will be making its fifth NCAA Championship appearance and, for the first time, has qualified for back-to-back national meets. The Gophers finished 21st at last year's championship in Greenville, S.C.

GOLDEN GOPHERS COMPETING AT THE NCAA MEET —

Sophomore **Elaine Eggleston** (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)
Junior **Minna Haronoja** (Illo, Finland/Vammala)
Frosh **Christine Harper** (White Bear Lake, Minn./White Bear Lake)
Sophomore **Deb Hudleston** (Minneapolis, Minn./De La Salle)
Junior **Rasa Michniovaite** (Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius)
Frosh **Victoria Moses** (Plymouth, Minn./Irondale)
Sophomore **Corinne Nimitz** (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie)

THE NCAA FIELD — The field for the 1998 championship was expanded to 31 teams from last year's 22 squads. The top two teams from each of the nine regional championships automatically qualified. In addition, the 13 teams with at-large berths and 38 individuals who notched top finishes at the regionals but were not on a qualifying team complete the national championship field.

Defending champion and No. 1-ranked Brigham Young returns to defend its crown. The Cougars edged runner-up Stanford by just two points (100-102) a year ago. 1997 individual champion Carrie Tollefson of Villanova returns, as does 1996 champion Amy Skieresz of Arizona.

The Big Ten will be represented by three teams: Minnesota, Michigan and conference champion Wisconsin. Five teams from the Midwest Region earned berths, second only to the six teams from the West Region. Kansas State and Missouri captured the Midwest's two automatic qualifications, while Minnesota, Nebraska and Oklahoma State earned at-large berths.

LAST YEAR AT THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP — Minnesota placed 21st at the NCAA Women's Cross Country Championships in Greenville, S.C., hosted by Furman University.

The Gophers were led by Daphne Panhuysen, who finished 63rd in a personal-best time of 17 minutes, 40 seconds. Anna Gullingsrud placed 128th in 18:22. **Minna Haronoja** (Illo, Finland/Vammala) finished 141st in 18:33, and **Corinne Nimitz** (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie) was 144th in a personal-best 18:37. Other finishers for the Gophers were Andrea Lentz, 152nd in 18:43; Kari Thompson, 153rd in 18:47; and **Elaine Eggleston**, 173rd in 19:23.

Carrie Tollefson of Villanova, a Dawson, Minn., native, won the individual title in 16:29; Amy Skieresz of Arizona, the 1996 winner, placed second in 16:39. BYU won the women's team race with 100 points, just edging out Stanford, the 1996 champion.

MINNESOTA HISTORY AT THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP — Minnesota earned its fifth appearance at the national meet and a back-to-back showing for the first time in history. Minnesota's highest team finish was 10th in 1983. Jody Eder placed 14th in 1984 for the Golden Gophers' highest individual finish. Her time of 16:50.9 was also Minnesota's best time at an NCAA meet.

Minnesota team results at the NCAA Championship

1983	10th	Bethlehem, Pa.
1989	21st	Annapolis, Md.
1991	17th	Tucson, Ariz.
1997	21st	Greenville, S.C.

GOPHERS RANKED NO. 24 — Minnesota fell to No. 24 after a No. 17 ranking in the last poll. The Gophers were ranked a season-high 17th on Sept. 28, Oct. 5 and Nov. 5.

MICHNIOVAITE WINS NCAA MIDWEST REGIONAL — Junior **Rasa Michniovaite** won the 1998 NCAA Midwest Regional championship in Wichita, Kan., Saturday, winning in a personal-record 17:07.4. **Michniovaite's** win s the first-ever for a Golden Gopher at an NCAA regional meet.

GOPHERS THIRD AT MIDWEST REGION CHAMPIONSHIP — Led by junior **Rasa Michniovaite's** first-place finish, Minnesota placed third at the NCAA Midwest Regional. Sophomore **Elaine Eggleston**, who finished eighth in a personal-best 17:38.1, also earned all-region honors. Minnesota finished third in the meet with 118 points, trailing Kansas State (92) and Missouri (110), both of whom automatically qualified for the national championship. Minnesota earned an at-large berth to the NCAA meet.

Team results: Kansas State 92, Missouri 110, Minnesota 118, Nebraska 128, Oklahoma State 152, Bradley 197, Iowa State 250, Southeast Missouri State 258, Loyola (Chicago) 263, Wichita State 292, Drake 295, Northwestern 296, Tulsa 298, Oklahoma 320, Southern Illinois 371, Illinois 383, Northern Iowa 418, Missouri-Kansas City 437, Southwest Missouri State 493, Kansas 565, Northern Illinois 576, Creighton 622, St. Louis 661.

Individuals: 1. **Rasa Michniovaite**, Minnesota, 17:07.4; 2. **Mary Ellen Hill**, Bradley, 17:08.3; 3. **Hanna Smedstad**, Oklahoma State, 17:09.0; 4. **Janelle Quigley**, Southeast Missouri State 17:18.4; 5. **Fride Vullum**, T, 17:33.0; 6. **Korene Hinds**, Kansas State, 17:35.4; 7. **Ann Marie Brooks**, Missouri, 17:37.3; 8. **Elaine Eggleston**, Minnesota, 17:38.1; 9. **Annie Wtterhus**, Kansas State, 17:40.1; 10. **Cristy Swartz**, Wichita State, 17:43.0.

Other Gophers: 31. **Corinne Nimitz** 18:13.0; 37. **Victoria Moses** 18:24.3; 44. **Minna Haronoja** 18:30.8; 50. **Deb Hudleston** 18:39.6; 56. **Christine Harper** 18:42.3.

FIVE GOLDEN GOPHERS SET PERSONAL RECORDS — Five of Minnesota's seven runners at the NCAA Midwest Regional set personal records. **Victoria Moses** showed the greatest improvement, 25 seconds, from 18:49 to 18:24.3. **Deb Hudleston** shaved 18 seconds from her previous best of 18:57 to 18:39. **Christine Harper** bettered her previous best of 18:56 by 14 seconds at 18:42. **Elaine Eggleston** dropped 12 seconds from her previous record of 17:54 to set a new best in 17:38.1. **Rasa Michniovaite** broke her personal best of 17:08 with her first-place time of 17:07.4.

MICHNIOVAITE LEADS GOPHERS AGAIN — Junior **Rasa Michniovaite**, in her first season as a Golden Gopher after transferring from the University of Vilnius in Lithuania, has finished first for the Gophers in all six meets she has competed in 1998, including four individual wins. **Michniovaite** became Minnesota's first winner of an NCAA regional Saturday in setting a personal record in 17:07.4. That time ranks 14th in Minnesota history. **Michniovaite** placed third at the Big Ten Championship in Ann Arbor, Mich. (11/1), the highest individual finish for Minnesota since former Gopher **Lori Townsend** placed third in 1995, and earned All-Big Ten honors. She earned Big Ten Cross Country Athlete of the Week honors after becoming Minnesota's first winner of the Roy Griak Invitational (9/26) in the meet's 13-year history. **Michniovaite** also won the Iowa State Memorial Invitational in Ames, Iowa (10/17) and the Minnesota/Drake Dual (9/11). She earned the Minnesota Women's Sports Information Athlete of the Month award for September.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — **Gary Wilson** is in his 14th season as head cross country and track and field coach at the University of Minnesota. Last season, Minnesota placed 21st at the NCAA Cross Country Championships after a third-place finish in the Big Ten Conference and NCAA Midwest Regional. Minnesota has finished in the upper half of the conference 11 of the past 12 seasons and has been ranked among the nation's top 25 teams in nine of the past 12 seasons. Wilson was named the 1989 Region IV Coach of the Year after guiding the Gophers to a second-place finish at the Region IV championship. Before coming to Minnesota, Wilson built a Division III powerhouse at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, where he coached the women's teams to three consecutive national track and field championships and one national cross country championship. He also coached the men's track and field team for seven years. In all, his La Crosse teams won 21 conference championships.

1998 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/5	Intrasquad (St. Paul, Minn.)	Gold 24, Maroon 31	10/17	at Iowa State Memorial Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	1st of 10 (52 points)
9/11	Drake Dual (St. Paul, Minn.)	Minnesota 26, Drake 29	10/23	Minnesota Qualifier (St. Paul, Minn.)	2nd of 2 (41 points)
9/19	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, Minn.)	3rd of 18 (119 points)	11/1	at Big Ten Championship (Michigan)	3rd of 11 (104 points)
9/26	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, Minn.)	t-4th of 18 (148 points)	11/14	Midwest Regional (Wichita State)	3rd of 23 (118 points)
10/2	at Wis.-Eau Claire Blugold Open (Colfax, Wis.)	1st of 7 (40 points)	11/23	at NCAA Championship (Lawrence, Kan.)	
10/10	at Bob Timmons Invitational (Lawrence, Kan.)	12th of 32 (325 points)			

	Intrasquad (4000m)	Drake Dual	St. Olaf Invitational	Roy Griak Invitational	Blugold Open	Bob Timmons Invitational	Iowa State Mem. Invite	Minnesota Qualifier (4,000m)	Big Ten Championship	Midwest Regional
Addy Adamson	16:56.0 (21st)	20:04.1 (18th/9th)	22:14 (105th/8th)	19:42 (116th/13th)	19:26.06 (5th/2nd)	DNC	20:31 (62nd/11th)	15:15.3 (5th/2nd)	DNC	DNC
Tiffany Barron	16:38.8 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
Katie Bauer	16:04.1 (11th)	20:07.9 (21st/12th)	20:30 (19th/2nd)	19:54 (122nd/16th)	19:50.16 (14th/5th)	DNC	DNC	15:44.4 (14th/5th)	DNC	DNC
Aimee Daugs	15:42.3 (8th)	19:55.0 (16th/7th)	DNC	19:13 (91st/10th)	DNC	22:24.46 (243/9)	20:09 (49th/10th)	15:00.8 (3rd/1st)	DNC	DNC
Brooke Derge	16:00.6 (9th)	20:01.8 (17th/8th)	DNC	19:20 (97th/11th)	DNC	20:20.11 (18 - DII)	20:43 (71st/12th)	15:55.7 (18th/7th)	DNC	DNC
Rachel Domenichetti	17:02.4 (22nd)	20:34.7 (28th/17th)	20:41 (25th/4th)	19:48 (120nd/15th)	19:28.34 (7th/3rd)	DNC	DNC	15:49.1 (15th/6th)	DNC	DNC
Elaine Eggleston	15:00.5 (2nd)	17:59.0 (2nd/2nd)	DNC	17:54 (15th/2nd)	DNC	18:15.77 (33/2)	18:45 (8th/3rd)	DNC	18:09 (10th/2nd)	17:38.1 (8th/2nd)
Chrissy Eid	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
Jill Field	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
Danielle Giusti	16:23.9 (16th)	20:05.8 (20th/11th)	21:03 (43rd/6th)	19:57 (124th/17th)	19:42.34 (10th/4th)	DNC	DNC	15:41.7 (13th/4th)	DNC	DNC
Minna Haronoja	DNC	DNC	DNC	18:39 (52nd/4th)	DNC	19:22.15 (125/5)	19:22 (17th/4th)	DNC	18:54 (34th/4th)	18:30.8 (44th/5th)
Christine Harper	16:02.4 (10th)	20:05.0 (19th/10th)	20:15 (14th/1st)	19:06 (81st/8th)	DNC	19:25.16 (133/6)	19:33 (24th/6th)	DNC	18:56 (36th/5th)	18:42.3 (56/7th)
Kristine Hartmark	16:15.5 (14th)	20:20 (26th/15th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
Amy Hoel	16:04.5 (12th)	20:12 (23rd/13th)	20:33 (21st/3rd)	19:23 (101st/12th)	DNC	20:48.33 (32 - DII)	DNC	16:03.0 (20th/8th)	DNC	DNC
Deborah Hudleston	15:18.7 (4th)	19:17.4 (8th/4th)	DNC	19:08 (83rd/9th)	DNC	19:25.52 (134/7)	19:41 (31st/7th)	DNC	18:57 (37th/6th)	18:39.6 (50th/6th)
Gena Johnson	15:30.9 (5th)	19:25.1 (9th/5th)	DNC	18:58 (72nd/7th)	DNC	20:01.39 (18 - DII)	19:55 (43rd/9th)	DNC	19:50 (61st/8th)	DNC
Marja Loukkola	15:17.9 (3rd)	DNC	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
Rasa Michniovaite	DNC	17:51.1 (1st/1st)	DNC	17:08 (1st/1st)	DNC	17:34.90 (7/1)	17:49 (1st/1st)	DNC	17:26 (3rd/1st)	17:07.4 (1st/1st)
Victoria Moses	15:36.3 (6th)	20:12.9 (24th/14th)	DNC	18:49 (62nd/6th)	DNC	19:13.52 (108/4)	19:29 (23rd/5th)	DNC	19:04 (42nd/7th)	M18:24.3 (37th/4th)
Jenny Moylan	16:21.1 (15th)	20:23.1 (27th/16th)	20:57 (40th/5th)	19:46 (119th/14th)	19:22.71 (4th/1st)	DNC	DNC	15:34.6 (10th/3rd)	DNC	DNC
Corinne Nimtz	14:59.9 (1st)	18:56.5 (6th/3rd)	DNC	18:06 (23rd/3rd)	DNC	18:32.43 (53/3)	18:37 (7th/2nd)	DNC	18:38 (23rd/3rd)	18:13.0 (31st/3rd)
Tanya Prince	15:38.1 (7th)	19:39.0 (12th/6th)	DNC	18:43 (57th/5th)	DNC	19:37.39 (157/8)	19:41 (32nd/8th)	DNC	19:52 (63rd/9th)	DNC
Nikki Rassbach	16:25.0 (17th)	DNC	22:32 (120th/9th)	21:01 (124nd/19th)	20:20.59 (22nd/7th)	DNC	DNC	16:19.7 (26th/10th)	DNC	DNC
Megan Schutz	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
Jessica Shuster	16:12.1 (13th)	20:46.0 (29th/18th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
Hayley Singer	16:38.8 (19th)	21:52.3 (30th/19th)	22:35 (122nd/10th)	20:53 (141st/18th)	20:01.77 (16th/6th)	DNC	DNC	16:16.2 (24th/9th)	DNC	DNC
Kristie Stiles	16:46.1 (20th)	DNC	21:08 (50th/7th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	D



1998 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

1	Wis.-Green Bay	W, 3-0
4-5	at Naval Academy Tourm. (Annapolis, Md.)	
	vs. Virginia	W, 3-2
	vs. Loyola	W, 3-0
	vs. Buffalo	W, 3-0
	vs. Navy	W, 3-0
7	at American	W, 3-2
11-12	Minnesota Nike Invitational	
11	vs. Oregon	W, 3-0
12	vs. Wake Forest vs. Missouri	W, 3-0 W, 3-1
18-19	Diet Coke Classic	
18	vs. Rutgers	W, 3-0
19	vs. Auburn	L, 3-2
21	USA Team (exh.)	L, 3-1
25	Penn State *	L, 3-0
26	Ohio State *	W, 3-1

OCTOBER

2	at Iowa *	W, 3-2
3	at Wisconsin *	L, 3-0
9	at Michigan *	L, 3-0
10	at Michigan State *	L, 3-0
16	Northwestern *	W, 3-0
17	Indiana *	W, 3-0
23	at Purdue *	L, 3-2
24	at Illinois *	L, 3-0
30	Wisconsin *	L, 3-1
31	Iowa *	W, 3-0

NOVEMBER

6	Michigan State *	L, 3-1
7	Michigan *	W, 3-1
13	at Ohio State *	L, 3-0
14	at Penn State *	L, 3-0
20	at Indiana *	7 p.m.
21	at Northwestern *	7 p.m.
27	Illinois *	7 p.m.
28	Purdue *	7:30 p.m.

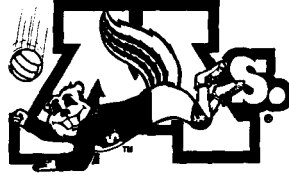
DECEMBER

3-6	NCAA First/Second Rounds
10-13	NCAA Regionals
17-19	NCAA Finals (Madison, Wis.)

Home matches in bold played at Sports Pavilion

* Big Ten Matches

Minnesota Volleyball 1998



Minnesota at Indiana
Friday, Nov. 20 – Bloomington, Ind.
Minnesota at Northwestern
Saturday, Nov. 21 – Evanston, Ill.
SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHERS TAKE FINAL BIG TEN ROAD TRIP — The University of Minnesota volleyball team (16-11, 6-10 Big Ten) travels to Indiana and Northwestern in the final Big Ten road trip of the season. The Golden Gophers face Indiana (14-11, 7-9 Big Ten) on Friday Nov. 20, then play Northwestern (15-13, 5-11 Big Ten) on Saturday.

THE FINAL COUNTDOWN — With two weeks remaining in the Big Ten schedule, conference leader Penn State (26-0, 16-0 Big Ten) is one win from capturing at least a share of its third consecutive league crown. Wisconsin and Michigan State are tied for second at 13-3, while Illinois is solid at fourth with a 10-6 conference mark. With NCAA bids on the line, five Big Ten teams are fighting for an upper echelon conference finish. Indiana was in the driver's seat before last weekend and still holds down fifth place in the standings, but losses to Iowa and Wisconsin pulled the Hoosiers back to the pack with a 7-9 record. At 6-10 is a logjam of three teams, Minnesota, Ohio State and Purdue, all with postseason hopes riding on performances this weekend. Northwestern, at 5-11, is not eliminated from the mix and has the chance to better its standing on Wednesday when the Wildcats travel to Indiana.

GOPHERS FALL FROM NATIONAL POLL — For the first time in nine weeks, Minnesota was not included in the top 25 in the nation, according to the USA Today/AVCA Coaches Poll. The Gophers received votes. The Big Ten placed four teams in the poll, led by No. 2 Penn State and No. 8 Wisconsin. Michigan State is ranked No. 14 and Illinois holds down the No. 20 ranking. Long Beach State spends its seventh straight week at the No. 1 position. Long Beach State, Penn State and No. 3 Nebraska remain the undefeated teams in Division I volleyball.

NEARING A MILESTONE — Sophomore outside hitter **Nicole Branagh (Orinda, Calif./Miramonte)** is 14 kills away from becoming the 11th player in Golden Gopher volleyball history to surpass 1,000 career kills. **Branagh's** 986 career kills in her first two seasons places her among elite company. Big Ten and Minnesota career kill leader **Katrien DeDecker** posted 1,010 kills in her first and second years as a Gopher. DeDecker completed her career with a record 2,300 career kills, good for fifth in NCAA history.

INTO THE TOP TEN — First-year setter **Lindsey Berg (Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou)** has entered the Minnesota top 10 list for assists in a season with 1,183. **Sharon Oesterling (1986-89)** holds the record for the most assists in a season with 1,725 in 1989.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP —

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School/Club*
S	Lindsey Berg	5-8	Fr.	Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou
OH	Nicole Branagh	6-1	So.	Orinda, Calif./Miramonte
OH	Yvonne Wichert	5-11	Fr.	Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden*
OH	Sonja Posthuma	6-0	So.	Sneek, Netherlands/Magister Alvinus
MB	Heather Baxter	6-0	So.	Aurora, Ill./Aurora West
DS	Heather Swenson	5-9	Jr.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Park Center

1998 BIG TEN STANDINGS

(As of Nov. 14)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State	16	0	1.000	26	0	1.000
Wisconsin	13	3	.813	23	4	.852
Michigan State	13	3	.813	21	4	.840
Illinois	10	6	.625	17	9	.654
Indiana	7	9	.438	14	11	.560
Minnesota	6	10	.375	16	11	.593
Ohio State	6	10	.375	13	12	.520
Purdue	6	10	.375	12	13	.480
Northwestern	5	11	.313	15	13	.536
Michigan	4	12	.250	12	14	.462
Iowa	2	14	.125	8	17	.320

This Week in the Big Ten —

Wed., Nov. 18	Northwestern at Indiana
Fri., Nov. 20	Penn State at Michigan State Wisconsin at Purdue Minnesota at Indiana Ohio State at Michigan
Sat., Nov. 21	Penn State at Michigan Wisconsin at Illinois Minnesota at Northwestern Iowa at Purdue
Sun., Nov. 22	Ohio State at Michigan State Iowa at Illinois

Last Week in the Big Ten — (Home team in CAPS)

Wed., Nov. 11	Penn State 3, OHIO STATE 0
Thur., Nov. 12	Michigan State 3, PURDUE 0
Fri., Nov. 13	WISCONSIN 3, Northwestern 1 ILLINOIS 3, Michigan 0 OHIO STATE 3, Minnesota 0 IOWA 3, Indiana 0
Sat., Nov. 14	PENN STATE 3, Minnesota 0 WISCONSIN 3, Indiana 0 Michigan State 3, ILLINOIS 1 PURDUE 3, Michigan 1 IOWA 3, Northwestern 0

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT — Head coach **Mike Hebert** is in his third season at Minnesota and sports a record of 63-32 (.663) with the Gophers. He has guided the Gophers to consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances and upper echelon Big Ten finishes. Overall in 22 years of coaching, **Hebert** owns a career mark of 635-289 (.687) and has directed teams to NCAA Tournament appearances in each of the last 13 seasons. He is one of just eight active NCAA Division I coaches with over 600 career victories.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** are in their third seasons at Minnesota and fifth on **Mike Hebert's** coaching staff.

THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD — Life on the road in the Big Ten for the Gophers has been less than a pleasant experience. Minnesota is 1-7 in road Big Ten contests this season, with a 3-2 victory at Iowa its only tally in the win column. Any hopes of an NCAA tournament invitation hinge upon turning the Gophers' luck on the road around this weekend.

TAKIN' IT ON THE CHIN — The Gophers lost six straight games in losing 3-0 matches at Ohio State and Penn State last weekend. The Ohio State defense outdug Minnesota by a 59-43 margin in winning by game scores of 15-11, 15-11, 15-8. **Nicole Branagh** led the Gophers with 18 kills. The largest crowd in Penn State history (6,229) watched the No. 2 Nittany Lions defeated the Gophers, 15-7, 15-5, 15-10. Penn State hit .374 to .144 for the Gophers. **Branagh** paced the Gophers with 17 kills.

SWENSON GETS THE NOD — Junior defensive specialist **Heather Swenson (Brooklyn Park, Minn./Park Center)** started her first match as a Golden Gopher in the match with Penn State. **Swenson** transferred to Minnesota after two seasons at Rutgers. Against Penn State, she tallied four digs and one service ace.

CARRYING THE LOAD — The Golden Gophers often feature a sextet of first and second-year players on the court. The sophomore class, highlighted by preseason All-Big Ten performer **Nicole Branagh** and her team-leading 508 kills, contribute 60 percent (937/1553 kills) of the Gophers' firepower on offense. The first-year players add 37 percent (571/1553 kills), topped by **Yvonne Wichert's (Rüsselsheim, Germany/V.C. Wiesbaden)** 304 kills. Add the two classes together and they combine for a whopping 97 percent of the Gopher putaways on offense.

THE BIG GUN — Gopher leading hitter **Nicole Branagh** is putting up big numbers in the kills category. Averaging 5.40 kills per game, **Branagh** has amassed 508 kills, tallying 14 20-plus kills matches along the way. She is ranked second in the Big Ten in kills per game behind Michigan State's Jenna Wrobel.

SETTING THE STANDARD — Setter **Lindsey Berg** has done nothing but excel in her first year with the Gophers. **Berg** is averaging 12.86 assists per game.

DEALIN' ACES — Minnesota leads the Big Ten in service aces per game. The serving of **Nicole Branagh** and **Lindsey Berg** are the reason behind the Gophers' top-ranked status. **Berg** leads the Big Ten with 54 aces (0.59 apg). **Branagh** is second with 40 aces (0.43 apg).

INTERNATIONAL FLAIR — The pair of Europeans on the Gopher roster provide more than international flair to the starting lineup. Outside hitters **Yvonne Wichert** of Germany and **Sonja Posthuma** from the Netherlands rank second and third, respectively, on the team in kills. **Wichert** averages 3.27 kills per game. **Posthuma**, a co-captain, contributes 2.63 kills and a team-best 2.34 digs per game.

MASH UNIT — Senior co-captain **Linda Shudlick (Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley)** will miss the 1998 season due to a knee injury suffered in spring practice last April. **Shudlick**, a middle blocker, tore the anterior cruciate ligament of her left knee during a blocking drill and underwent surgery in May. She will be eligible for the 1999 season.

Junior **Jill Holmstrom (Dellwood, Minn./Mahtomedi)** will also miss the season after surgery on her right shoulder. **Holmstrom** joined the Gophers this season as a transfer from Xavier.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

INDIANA — Indiana is in the thick of the hunt for an NCAA berth, owning a 14-11 record (7-9) entering Wednesday's match with Northwestern. The Hoosiers have been nearly unstoppable on their home court, losing only to top-ranked teams Penn State and Wisconsin in posting a 10-2 home record. Junior outside hitter **Ryann Connors** is having an excellent season for the Hoosiers. **Connors** leads the team with 398 kills.

Indiana head coach **Katie Weismiller** is in her sixth season with the Hoosiers and owns a 89-96 record.

The Series — Minnesota leads 25-10. The Gophers have won five straight, including a 3-0 win in Minneapolis on Oct. 17.

The Last Time — Minnesota hit .345 as a team to blast Indiana in three straight games by scores of 15-13, 15-4, 15-8 on Oct. 17 in Minneapolis. The Gophers spread the wealth on offense with **Nicole Branagh** pacing Minnesota with just 11 kills, while four other Gophers chipped in six or more winners.

NORTHWESTERN — The Wildcats own a 15-13 overall record and are 5-11 in Big Ten play. Northwestern is chasing its first winning season since 1990. The Wildcats thrive on a balanced attack. Senor outside hitter **Jessica Holloway** tops the squad with 319 kills, but sophomore outside hitter **Carmen Burbach** is right behind at 312.

Northwestern head coach **Kevin Renshler** in his second season with the Wildcats and sports a 28-31 record.

The Series — Minnesota leads 25-13 and has won the last 10 matches of the series, dating back to the 1993 season.

The Last Time — Minnesota turned in perhaps its best all-around performance of the season in defeating Northwestern, 15-13, 15-9, 15-12, in a match in Minneapolis on Oct. 16, televised by ESPN. The Gophers hit .303 as a team and outblocked the Wildcats by a 15-9 margin. **Nicole Branagh** led the Gopher offense with 22 kills.

LONG BEACH STATE STAYS AT NO. 1 IN USA TODAY / AVCA TOP 25 COACHES POLL —

Poll #11 (Nov. 17)	Points	Record	Lt.Wk
1. Long Beach State (34)	1474	26-0	1
2. Penn State (24)	1459	26-0	2
3. Nebraska (2)	1387	25-0	3
4. Stanford	1317	23-2	4
5. Florida	1233	26-2	5
6. BYU	1200	24-2	6
7. Hawaii	1148	24-2	7
8. Wisconsin	1061	23-4	8
9. Pacific	1012	22-5	9
10. UC Santa Barbara	948	24-5	10
11. USC	911	19-4	11
12. Texas	880	21-3	12
13. Arkansas	768	24-3	13
14. Michigan State	722	21-4	14
15. Colorado	666	20-4	15
16. UCLA	560	13-10	16
17. Kansas State	539	17-8	17
18. San Diego	473	21-4	18
19. Arizona	412	19-8	19
20. Illinois	327	17-9	20
21. Loyola Marymount	275	18-7	21
22. Texas A&M	227	16-8	22
23. Louisville	125	22-4	24
24. Texas Tech	110	19-10	23
25. Northern Iowa	77	23-2	NR

Dropped out of the top 25
Minnesota 25

Others receiving points: Colorado State (46), Santa Clara (37), North Carolina (19), Pepperdine (17), Miami OH (11), Oral Roberts (9), Ball State (7), Sacramento State (7), Eastern Washington (6), Minnesota (6), Northern Illinois (4), Fairfield (3), Indiana (3), Utah (3), Georgetown (2), Nevada (2), Virginia (2), Dayton (1), Illinois State (1), South Carolina (1), South Florida (1), Washington State (1).

UP NEXT FOR THE GOPHERS — Minnesota closes its regular-season schedule with home matches on Nov. 27 against Illinois and Nov. 28 versus Purdue.

University of Minnesota Volleyball
 #25 Minnesota Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 15, 1998)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	{ 16-11 }	{ 10-4 }	{ 3-7 }	{ 3-0 }
CONFERENCE.....	{ 6-10 }	{ 5-3 }	{ 1-7 }	{ 0-0 }
NON-CONFERENCE.....	{ 10-1 }	{ 5-1 }	{ 2-0 }	{ 3-0 }

## SUMMARY (by ##)	G	ATTACK					Set		SERVE			DIG		BLOCKING				BE	BHE	
		K	K/Game	E	TA	Pct	A	A/Game	SA	SE	SA/Gm	RE	DIG	Dig/G	BS	BA	Total			B/Game
15 Nicole Branagh	94	508	5.40	168	1191	.285	13	0.14	40	70	0.43	46	215	2.29	3	44	47	0.50	8	3
3 Yvonne Wichert	93	304	3.27	154	734	.204	17	0.18	34	41	0.37	29	180	1.94	4	30	34	0.37	4	1
11 Sonja Posthuma	93	245	2.63	95	523	.287	61	0.66	12	39	0.13	51	218	2.34	6	36	42	0.45	4	2
10 Stephanie Hagen	93	183	1.97	56	412	.308	11	0.12	4	3	0.04	6	37	0.40	17	71	88	0.95	4	2
8 Heather Baxter	68	102	1.50	42	243	.247	7	0.10	6	14	0.09	0	90	1.32	9	45	54	0.79	15	0
2 Lindsey Berg	92	83	0.90	41	227	.185	1183	12.86	54	49	0.59	2	183	1.99	1	35	36	0.39	9	22
4 Erica Glaser	53	80	1.51	31	152	.322	0	0.00	3	11	0.06	2	18	0.34	8	26	34	0.64	3	1
18 Jill McDonnell	82	42	0.51	12	112	.268	19	0.23	10	13	0.12	15	83	1.01	0	2	2	0.02	3	0
14 Susan Shudlick	60	2	0.03	4	8	-.250	69	1.15	11	20	0.18	2	52	0.87	1	0	1	0.02	1	0
5 Lisa Aschenbrenner	15	2	0.13	6	13	-.308	3	0.20	1	2	0.07	2	5	0.33	0	1	1	0.07	1	0
13 Heather Swenson	18	1	0.06	0	1	1.000	2	0.11	3	4	0.17	0	12	0.67	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
6 Ali Berres	64	1	0.02	1	3	.000	6	0.09	12	11	0.19	3	93	1.45	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
0 Team	0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	7	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
16 Morning Song Manning	12	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	1	2	0.08	1	10	0.83	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
Total.....	96	1553	16.18	610	3619	.261	1391	14.49	191	279	1.99	166	1196	12.46	49	290	194.0	2.02	52	31
Opponents.....	96	1416	14.75	574	3511	.240	1296	13.50	166	283	1.73	197	1155	12.03	62	325	224.5	2.34	52	35

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
ATTACK.....			9-1-98	WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY	W	3-0	699
Kills.....	1553	1416	9-4-98	vs Virginia	W	3-2	313
Errors.....	610	574	9-5-98	vs Loyola (Md.)	W	3-0	300
Total Attacks.....	3619	3511	9-5-98	vs Buffalo	W	3-0	300
Attack Pct.....	.261	.240	9-5-98	at Navy	W	3-0	250
Kills/Game.....	16.2	14.8	9-7-98	at American	W	3-2	172
SET.....			9-11-98	OREGON	W	3-0	881
Assists.....	1391	1296	9-12-98	WAKE FOREST	W	3-0	1008
Assists/Game.....	14.5	13.5	9-12-98	MISSOURI	W	3-1	1008
SERVE.....			9-18-98	RUTGERS	W	3-0	1733
Aces.....	191	166	9-19-98	AUBURN	L	2-3	1901
Errors.....	279	283	*9-25-98	#1 PENN STATE	L	0-3	2372
Aces/Game.....	2.0	1.7	*9-26-98	#14 OHIO STATE	W	3-1	1397
SERVE RECEPTIONS.....			*10-2-98	at Iowa	W	3-2	419
Errors.....	166	197	*10-3-98	at #6 Wisconsin	L	0-3	3605
Errors/Game.....	1.7	2.1	*10-9-98	at Michigan	L	0-3	883
DEFENSE.....			*10-10-98	at #23 Michigan State	L	0-3	1402
Digs.....	1196	1155	*10-16-98	NORTHWESTERN	W	3-0	2006
Digs/Game.....	12.5	12.0	*10-17-98	INDIANA	W	3-0	1639
BLOCKING.....			*10-23-98	at Purdue	L	2-3	1413
Block Solo.....	49	62	*10-24-98	at #18 Illinois	L	0-3	2210
Block Assist.....	290	325	*10-30-98	#8 WISCONSIN	L	1-3	3594
Total Blocks.....	194.0	224.5	*11-1-98	IOWA	W	3-0	985
Blocks Per Game.....	2.0	2.3	*11-6-98	#16 MICHIGAN STATE	L	1-3	2029
Block Errors.....	52	52	*11-7-98	MICHIGAN	W	3-1	1801
BALL HANDLING ERRORS.....	31	35	*11-13-98	at Ohio State	L	0-3	626
ATTENDANCE.....			*11-14-98	at #2 Penn State	L	0-3	6229
Total.....	23053	17209	* denotes conference game				
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	14/1647	10/1721					
Neutral site #/Avg.....	3/304						



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
(Chapel Hill, N.C.)
def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
def. S. Carolina 278-92
tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
(Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 Minnesota Invitational
Friday 11 a.m./1 & 6 p.m.
Saturday 11 a.m./1 & 6 p.m.
Sunday 10 a.m./noon/3 p.m.

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
Swimmers – Maui, Hawaii
Divers – Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
(Austin, Texas)
- 9 Gold Country Inv. 11 a.m.
- 16 Penn State/Nebraska 1 p.m.
- 22 at Northwestern 6 p.m.
- 23 Iowa 2 p.m.
- 29-30 Quad Duals 6 p.m./noon
Minnesota, Wisconsin
Purdue, Illinois
(Indianapolis, Ind.)

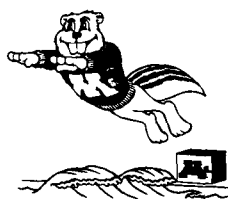
FEBRUARY

- 5-6 Minnesota Challenge
Fri./Sat. 6 p.m./noon
- 18-20 Big Ten Championship
Thur.-Sat. 11 a.m./7 p.m.
- 27 Go-Pher-It Inv. TBA

MARCH

- 12-13 Zone C Diving
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 18-20 NCAA Championships
(Athens, Ga.)

Home meets at the University Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool



1998-99 Minnesota Swimming & Diving

Minnesota Invitational
Friday-Sunday, Nov. 20-22 – Minneapolis, Minn.
SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHERS HOST MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL — The University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team hosts the annual Minnesota Invitational, Friday-Sunday Nov. 20-22, at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool. The Gophers are the defending invitational champions.

INVITATIONAL FIELD — The No. 12 Golden Gophers will host 10 teams in this weekend's invitational field. Joining the Gophers are Iowa State, St. Olaf, North Dakota, Concordia, Wisconsin, Iowa, Notre Dame, Pittsburgh, Northern Illinois and Northern Michigan.

THE TIME SCHEDULE — The Minnesota Invitational is a co-ed meet run on the following time schedule:

Friday & Saturday, Nov. 20-21	
Prelims	11 a.m.
Finals	6 p.m.
Diving	1 & 6 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 22	
Prelims	10 a.m.
Finals	3 p.m.
Diving	Noon & 3 p.m.

HENNEN QUALIFIES FOR OLYMPIC TRIALS AGAIN — Junior **Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** qualified for the 2000 Olympic Trials in the 200-meter butterfly for the second time this season. At last week's Meet of Champions, an exhibition long course meet that pitted the best of the Big Ten versus member of the U.S. National Team, **Hennen** placed third in the 200m butterfly with a time of 2 minutes, 19.84 seconds. She also placed third in the 100m butterfly with a time of 1:05.15.

CHRISTOFERSON THIRD AT MEET OF CHAMPIONS — **Katy Christoferson (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville)** posted a third-place finish at the Meet of Champions in the 200m individual medley with a time of 2:25.55. She added a sixth-place finish in the 400m individual medley in 5:10.69.

MINNESOTA 12TH IN NATIONAL POLL — Minnesota held onto its No. 12 in the Speedo American College Swimming Coaches Association Top 25.

HEAD COACH JEAN FREEMAN — Minnesota head coach **Jean Freeman** enters her 26th season with the Golden Gophers. **Freeman** has guided the Golden Gopher program to seven top-20 national finishes. She is assisted by **Terry Nieszner** and diving coach **KZ Li**.

UP NEXT FOR THE GOPHERS — The Gophers' next action is during training trips to Maui, Hawaii, for the swimmers and Fort Lauderdale, Fla., for the divers. The trips are from Dec. 13-24.

University of Minnesota
1998-99 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 2-0-1 Dual Record: 2-0-1 Big Ten: 1-0 Invitationals: 0-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/6-7/98	vs. #7 Michigan	W	12th	230.5-139.5	1/22/99	at Northwestern			
11/6-7/98	at #16 North Carolina	T	12th	185-185	1/23/99	IOWA			
11/6-7/98	vs. South Carolina	W	12th	278-92	1/29-30/99	vs. Wisconsin (at Indianapolis)			
11/13-14/98	at Meet of Champions	Exb.	12th	n/a	1/29-30/99	vs. Purdue (at Indianapolis)			
11/20-22/98	Minnesota Invite				1/29-30/99	vs. Illinois (at Indianapolis)			
12/13-24/98	Training Trip (Hawaii/Florida)				2/5-6/99	Minnesota Challenge			
1/6-10/99	at All-American Inv. (Divers)				2/18-20/99	Big Ten Championships			
1/9/99	Gold Country Invite				2/27/99	Gopher Invitational			
1/16/99	Penn State				3/12-13/99	at NCAA Zone C Diving (Bloomington, Ind.)			
1/16/99	Nebraska				3/18-20/99	at NCAA Championships (Athens, Ga.)			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool
 Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)
 Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (22.78, 23.46, 22.97)

Amy Cottrill	11/6/98	23.78
Maghan Sonstegard	11/6/98	24.15
Krissy Berglund	11/6/98	25.17
Amy Miller	11/6/98	25.32

100y Free (49.39, 50.87, 50.28)

Amy Cottrill	11/6/98	51.52
Jenny Hennen	11/6/98	51.68
Meghan Sonstegard	11/6/98	53.27

200y Free (1:47.58, 1:50.80, 1:48.52)

Katy Christoferson	11/6/98	1:52.63
Jenny Hennen	11/6/98	1:52.81
Amy Mickschl	11/6/98	1:53.98

500y Free (4:46.31, 4:54.89, 4:46.95⁹)

Jinny Smedstad	11/6/98	5:01.59
Amy Mickschl	11/6/98	5:07.08
Marta Knowles	11/6/98	5:08.18

1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68)

Jinny Smedstad	11/6/98	10:18.52
Marta Knowles	11/6/98	10:28.61
Shelley Miller	11/6/98	10:54.56

1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)

100y Backstroke (54.87, 56.51, 54.21)

Ann Cahoy	11/6/98	57.85
Lital Kashriel	11/6/98	58.37

200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.70, 1:59.60)

Emily Deppe	11/6/98	2:02.92
Ann Cahoy	11/6/98	2:04.42
Lital Kashriel	11/6/98	2:07.21

100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32^{4,5,9})

Kate McMillan	11/6/98	1:04.77
Kim Harrod	11/6/98	1:07.40

200y Breaststroke (2:14.16, 2:18.18, 2:11.60)

Kate McMillan	11/6/98	2:20.27
Emily Deppe	11/6/98	2:25.48
Kim Harrod	11/6/98	2:27.58

100y Butterfly (54.58, 56.21, 54.24)

Terri Jashinsky	11/6/98	56.27
Jenny Hennen	11/6/98	56.38
Andrea Simakova	11/6/98	57.22

200y Butterfly (2:00.09, 2:03.69, 2:00.09)

Jenny Hennen	11/6/98	2:01.74 ⁶
Andrea Simakova	11/6/98	2:03.50
Terri Jashinsky	11/6/98	2:03.95

200y IM (2:00.94, 2:04.56, 2:02.29)

Katy Christoferson	11/6/98	2:04.54
Ann Cahoy	11/6/98	2:06.66
Emily Deppe	11/6/98	2:06.88

400y IM (4:17.34, 4:25.06, 4:16.25)

Katy Christoferson	11/6/98	4:24.14
Jinny Smedstad	11/6/98	4:27.47
Marta Knowles	11/6/98	4:32.32

200y Free Relay (1:30.76, 1:33.48, 1:32.77)

1:35.48 Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky,
 11/6/98 Jenny Hennen, Meghan Sonstegard

400y Free Relay (3:19.16, 3:25.13, 3:22.78)

3:26.52 Katy Christoferson, Terri Jashinsky
 11/6/98 Amy Mickschl, Amy Cottrill

800y Free Relay (7:14.15, 7:27.17, 7:21.43)

7:27.78 Amy Cottrill, Jinny Smedstad,
 11/6/98 Amy Mickschl, Katy Christoferson

200y Medley Relay (1:41.48, 1:44.52, 1:41.58)

1:44.98 Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan
 11/6/98 Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill

400y Medley Relay (3:39.58, 3:46.16, 3:41.27)

3:50.87 Ann Cahoy, Kate McMillan
 11/6/98 Terri Jashinsky, Katy Christoferson

1 M Diving (6) (255, 295.12)

T.D. Rowe	11/6/98	258.35
Christina Rinkus	11/6/98	223.40
Tracy LaVoi	11/6/98	222.00
Jessica Metcalf	11/6/98	202.90

1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)

3 M Diving (6) (270, 332.90)
 Christina Rinkus 11/6/98 243.95

3 M Diving (11) (425, 572.75)

Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)

Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

¹Lead-off split time ²Varsity record ³NCAA automatic qualifying time ⁴Former American Record ⁵All-time Big Ten Record
⁶NCAA Consideration time ⁷NCAA Zone diving qualifying ⁸at NCAA Zone C meet ⁹at NCAA Championship ¹⁰Big Ten Championship Record

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 3-1-1

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1
7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 Minnesota State, Mankato 7:00 p.m.
27 Northeastern@ 5:00 p.m.
28 Princeton@ 5:00 p.m.
29 Queens@ 11:30 a.m.

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus 7:00 p.m.
18 Manitoba# 7:00 p.m.
19 Alberta# TBA
20 TBA 11:00 a.m.

January

9 St. Cloud State 7:00 p.m.
15 St. Lawrence\$ 5:00 p.m.
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 8:00 p.m.
17 Toronto\$ 5:00 p.m.
22 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.
23 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.
29 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 5:00 p.m.
30 New Hampshire\$ 2:30 p.m.
31 Beatrice Aeros\$ 12:00 p.m.

February

5 Cornell 7:00 p.m.
6 Cornell 7:00 p.m.
7 Minnesota State, Mankato 3:00 p.m.
13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.
14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.
20 Providence 2:30 p.m.
21 Providence 1:00 p.m.
26 Brown 7:00 p.m.
27 Brown 7:00 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA
22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.
26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

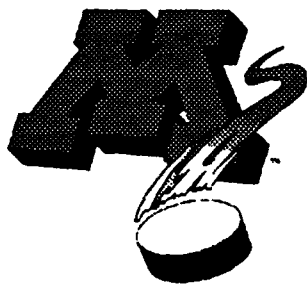
*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

#—Manitoba Tournament

\$—Lake Placid Tournament

%—New Hampshire Tournament



Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

November 17, 1998

Minnesota State, Mankato at Minnesota
Friday, Nov. 20, 1998, 7 p.m.

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota returns home for a single game this week as they play host to Minnesota State, Mankato, Friday at 7 p.m. at Mariucci Arena.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The Gophers posted a pair of 10-0 wins over the weekend, defeating first-year program Bemidji State and club program Minnesota-Duluth.

Minnesota made the trip north to Bemidji Saturday and outshot the Beavers 68-1, getting goals from eight players and points from 13 players.

The offense was led by Amber Hegland (Farmington, Minn./Farmington), who had her second two-goal game of the season, and Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina) with three points each.

Crystal Nicholas (Tulsa, Okla./Union) recorded the shutout, in her first collegiate start.

Sunday saw Nicholas and the Gophers post another shutout as Schmidgall scored four goals and Brittny Ralph (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center) added a career-high four assists. Tracy Engstrom (Willmar, Minn./Willmar), who scored her first career goal Saturday, also added a pair of goals.

MINNESOTA STATE, MANKATO RECENTLY—The Mavericks picked up their first two wins by sweeping a home-and-home series with Gustavus Adolphus over the weekend.

Friday, Minnesota State was faced with a 2-0 deficit late in the third period at Gustavus before Tina Serafin scored with 6:30 to play and Michelle Sikich added the tying goal with 45 seconds to play while goalie Jenny Padget, who stopped 26 shots, was pulled for an extra attacker. The Mavericks then got their first-ever win when Alexis Schmidt-Pederson scored 1:08 into overtime.

Saturday saw Minnesota State break open an early 1-1 tie to coast to a 6-1 win, getting goals from six different players and 18 saves from Melissa Jackson, who made her first career appearance in goal.

SHOOTING GALLERY—Minnesota fired 119 shots in two games over the weekend, including a school-record 68 at Bemidji State on Saturday.

Jenny Schmidgall cranked out 19 of those shots, recording 10 of the Gophers' 68 shots Saturday and nine more Sunday. On the weekend, she tallied five goals and eight points.

Schmidgall leads the team with six goals on the season and is tied for the team lead with nine points.

NATIONAL AWARD—Minnesota goalie Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy) was named the inaugural *U.S. College Hockey Online* defensive player of the week last week for her play in the All-American East-West Challenge.

In two games, a 3-1 loss to Harvard and a 1-1 overtime tie with New Hampshire, Killewald stopped 65 of 68 shots, including 30 of 31 versus the defending national champion Wildcats.

MS. ZERO—Rookie goalie Crystal Nicholas posted shutouts in her first two career appearances, stopping 14 shots in two games over the weekend.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 2-2-2-2

Combined with Erica Killewald, Minnesota's goaltending tandem has not allowed a goal in 160:08, dating back to the Gophers' 1-1 overtime tie with New Hampshire, Nov. 7.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—In December, Jenny Schmidgall and Winny Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area) will play for Team USA at the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

The pair was chosen from the USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and will be joined by Gopher head coach Laura Halldorson, who will serve as the team's assistant coach, as part of the USA contingent.

THE COACHES—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, Laura Halldorson has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting an 83-83-13 overall record and a 24-8-4 mark at Minnesota.

She began her coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival. In December, she will serve as an assistant for the U.S. National team that competes in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, Halldorson played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, Halldorson returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

Minnesota State, Mankato head coach Todd Carroll took his current post Sept. 17, 1997, and is guiding the Mavericks in their first season of varsity competition this season.

A 1986 graduate of St. Olaf, Carroll spent two seasons as a graduate assistant with the St. Cloud State men's program before returning to his alma mater, where he spent seven seasons as an assistant coach.

In his first collegiate head coaching position, Carroll sports a 2-3-0 record.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is Mariucci Arena (9,700). One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, Mariucci Arena will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 12-3-4 in the five-year old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets underway at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season, beginning Nov. 27 with the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

KKMS will broadcast the Friday and Saturday games from Princeton's Hobey Baker Rink and will also carry Minnesota's Jan. 29-30 games from the Towse Center at the University of New Hampshire Invitational.

Additionally, KKMS will carry four home games: Feb. 5 versus Cornell; Feb. 7 versus Minnesota State, Mankato; Feb. 21 versus Providence; and Feb. 26 versus Brown. Pete Wagner will call the play-by-play from Princeton while Tom Witchen will handle the remaining six games.

TOUGH SCHEDULE—Of the nine other teams ranked in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* preseason poll, the Gophers will face eight of them for a total of 12 games during the 1998-99 season.

In addition to those 12 games, Minnesota will face defending Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union champion Concordia twice, and 1998 CIAU runner-up Toronto once.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota maintained its fifth place position in this week's *U.S. College Hockey Online* poll. New Hampshire held on to the top spot with Harvard and Brown switching positions two and three.

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. New Hampshire (7)	3-0-1	95	1
2. Brown (2)	1-0-1	87	3
3. Harvard (1)	3-1-0	85	2
4. Northeastern	0-0-2	68	4
5. Minnesota	2-1-1	65	5
6. Princeton	4-0-0	44	NR
7. Providence	0-1-1	31	7
8. Cornell	3-1-1	26	6

Also receiving votes: Dartmouth 19.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 3-3-3-3-3

UP NEXT—Minnesota takes to the road Thanksgiving weekend as it looks to defend its title at the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational, Nov. 27-29, in Princeton, N.J.

The Gophers open play in the round-robin event facing Northeastern at 4 p.m. CST, Nov. 27. Minnesota takes on host Princeton at 4 p.m., Nov. 28, and concludes the tournament with a 10:30 a.m. match-up, Nov. 29, with Queens.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 5-for-24 (20.8%) after a 2-for-5 weekend on the power play. The Gophers' 24 power plays have resulted in 38:54 of power-play time and they average a goal every 7:47 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	5	2	1	3	7	.286
Brittney Ralph	5	1	2	3	7	.167
Kris Scholz	5	0	2	2	2	.000
Matty Brekken	5	0	2	2	2	.000
Amber Hegland	5	1	0	1	2	.500
Laura Slominski	4	1	0	1	1	1.000
Jenny Schmidgall	4	0	1	1	5	.000
Shannon Kennedy	5	0	1	1	3	.000
Courtney Kennedy	4	0	0	0	3	.000
Winnie Brodt	4	0	0	0	3	.000
Ambria Thomas	3	0	0	0	1	.000
Angela Borek	5	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	2	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	5	5	9	14	39	.120
Opponents	5	2	4	6	20	.100

THE PENALTY-KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 13-for-15 (86.7%) killing penalties with their opponents having spent 26:53 on the power play, averaging a goal every 13:27. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	5	2	0	2	3	.667
Matty Brekken	5	0	0	0	1	.000
Shannon Kennedy	5	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	4	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	2	0	0	0	1	.000
Brittney Ralph	5	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	5	0	0	0	1	.000
Laura Slominski	4	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	5	2	0	2	10	.200
Opponents	5	0	0	0	0	.000

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY
Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Nov 17, 1998)
All games

Overall: 3-1-1 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 0-1-1 Away: 3-0-0 Neut: 0-0-0

## Name	GP	-----SHOTS-----						----PENALTIES----				-----GOALS-----								
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct	+/-	No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO
16 Jenny Schmidgall	4	6	3	9	24	.250	+7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
4 Nadine Muzerall	5	5	4	9	27	.185	+8	3-6	3	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
14 Brittny Ralph	5	3	6	9	13	.231	+9	1-2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Kris Scholz	5	3	5	8	17	.176	+5	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 Shannon Kennedy	5	1	6	7	14	.071	+7	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
12 Matty Brekken	5	1	6	7	6	.167	+7	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19 Amber Hegland	5	4	2	6	14	.286	+6	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21 Laura Slominski	4	3	3	6	9	.333	+7	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
24 Tracy Engstrom	5	3	2	5	10	.300	+8	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Tai Thorsheim	5	1	2	3	6	.167	+9	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Sarma Pone	5	1	1	2	5	.200	+5	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23 Tracy Donaghue	4	1	1	2	6	.167	+2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 Winny Brodt	4	1	1	2	10	.100	+7	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27 Ambria Thomas	3	0	2	2	3	.000	+3	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 Angela Borek	5	0	2	2	4	.000	+8	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18 Emily Buchholz	5	0	1	1	10	.000	+7	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 Courtney Kennedy	4	0	1	1	10	.000	+2	4-8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Megan Milbert	1	0	1	1	2	.000	+1	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Kelly Olson	2	0	1	1	7	.000	+7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13 Betsey Kukowski	5	0	0	0	6	.000	+4	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20 Lacey Franzmeier	3	0	0	0	5	.000	+2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	5	33	50	83	208	.159	+121	17-34	17	0	0	5	2	3	3	1	0	1	0	0
Opponents.....	5	5	7	12	90	.056	-	26-52	26	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0

## Name	GP	---GOAL AVERAGE---			--SAVES--		----RECORD----				-----GOALS-----				
		Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG
35 Crystal Nicholas	2	120:00	0	0.00	14	1.000	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36 Erica Killewald	3	184:36	4	1.30	71	.947	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
TM TEAM	5	0:24	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total.....	5	305:00	5	0.98	85	.944	3	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	0
Opponents.....	5	305:00	33	6.49	175	.841	1	3	1	0	5	2	0	0	0

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY
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 All games

Overall: 3-1-1 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 0-1-1 Away: 3-0-0 Neut: 0-0-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	33-208	5-90
Shot pct.....	.159	.056
Goals/Game.....	6.6	1.0
Shots/Game.....	41.6	18.0
Assists.....	50	7
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	5-24	2-15
Conversion Percent.....	.208	.133
Shot Attempts.....	67	34
Shot Percent.....	.075	.059
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	2-13	0-2
Shot Percent.....	.154	.000
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	33	5
Power Play.....	5	2
Short-handed.....	2	0
Empty net.....	0	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Unassisted.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	17	26
Minutes.....	34	52
Penalties/Game.....	3.4	5.2
Pen minutes/Game.....	6.8	10.4
Minor.....	17	26
Major.....	0	0
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	0
Game Misconduct.....	0	0
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	190-118	118-190
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	2531	1457
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	2/1266	3/486
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	0/0	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total
Minnesota.....	10	13	10	0 -	33
Opponents.....	2	2	1	0 -	5

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**1998 Minnesota Soccer
Schedule & Results**

Overall: 14-6-1 Big Ten: 5-4-0

September

1	at Cincinnati	L, 1-0
7	Minnesota-Duluth	W, 7-0
11	Wisconsin-Green Bay	W, 7-0
13	Purdue	W, 4-2
18	at Iowa*	W, 3-0
21	at Washington State	W, 4-2
25	Wisconsin*	L, 2-0
27	Northwestern*	L, 2-1

October

2	at Michigan State*	W, 4-1
4	at Michigan*	W, 1-0
9	at Penn State*	L, 3-2 (ot)
11	Ohio State*	L, 1-0
16	Indiana*	W, 1-0
18	Illinois*	W, 3-1
24	at Texas Christian	W, 5-1
25	at Southern Methodist	W, 2-1
30	Nevada-Las Vegas (at New Mexico)	W, 3-0

November

1	at New Mexico	W, 2-1
6	Indiana@	T, 2-2
11	Kentucky#	W, 6-0
15	at Portland#	L, 3-0

Home matches in bold at the St. Paul
Campus Soccer Field

All times local

*-Big Ten match

@-Big Ten tournament at Penn State

#-NCAA tournament



**Minnesota Soccer
November 17, 1998**

**Season Wrap-Up
6th Place Big Ten
NCAA Second Round**

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THIS WEEK—Minnesota wrapped up its sixth season with a 14-6-1 record and heads into the off-season.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The Gophers split a pair of NCAA tournament games last week, defeating Kentucky 6-0 at home Wednesday before falling 3-0 at Portland Sunday.

Making its fourth consecutive appearance in the NCAA playoffs, Minnesota opened at home for the second consecutive year and handed Kentucky a 6-0 loss.

The Gophers dominated the game from the start and jumped out to a 1-0 lead just 10:18 into the contest as **Corinne Bolder (Dale City, Va./Gar-Field)** notched her fourth goal of the season and **Alison Rackley (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm)** tallied her ninth goal less than three minutes later.

Minnesota maintained its 2-0 lead, despite pressure from the Wildcats late in the first half, until **Juli Montgomery (St. Paul, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall)** finished off a pretty passing play from **Bolder** and **Nicole Lee (Champlin, Minn./Champlin Park)** at the 61:28 mark.

Vanessa Touset (Woodbridge, Va./Gar-Field) then scored her third goal in five games at 68:30 and **Lee** tallied her 17th of the season just over two minutes later.

Samantha Meyers (Frederick, Md./Jefferson) capped off the scoring with 4:03 to play, collecting her first career goal off an assist by **Lee**.

For the second straight year, the Gophers headed to the Pacific coast to face a West Coast Conference opponent in the second round. After a 5-1 loss to Santa Clara last year, Minnesota was hoping for a better result the second time around, at Portland, but the Pilots scored three times in just over a five-minute span to advance to the third round.

The two teams battled through a scoreless first half before **Kimberly Stiles** scored at 54:31. **Tara Koleski** then scored her 16th and 17th goals of the season in the 56th and 60th minutes to put the game away.

Portland outshot Minnesota 20-12 and Gopher goalkeeper **Dana Larson (Delaware, Ohio/R.B. Hayes)** had six saves.

THE COACH—Two-time Big Ten Coach of the Year **Sue Montagne** finishes her sixth season at Minnesota with an overall record of 83-33-9 and a 27-10-3 Big Ten record.

The only coach in the history of the Gopher program, **Montagne** has led her squads to a pair of Big Ten titles and appearances in the NCAA Tournament the past three seasons.

A member of three NCAA Final Four teams and team MVP as a senior, **Montagne** received her bachelor's degree in sport management from Massachusetts in 1989.

IT'S A PROGRESSION—Minnesota needed two seasons before making its first NCAA tournament appearance in 1995. That season, the Gophers dropped a 1-0 decision at Wisconsin, followed in year four of the program by a 3-2 loss in double overtime at Nebraska.

In its fifth season of competition, Minnesota finally hosted a first-round game and promptly posted a 2-1 win over Wisconsin-Milwaukee before falling to Santa Clara, 5-1, in a second-round road game.

1998 Minnesota Soccer 2-2-2-2

This season, for the second year in a row, the Gophers hosted a first-round game and pounded Kentucky, 6-0, before losing in the second round on the road, 3-0 at Portland.

VERSUS THE FIELD—Minnesota had a 3-4-1 record versus teams in this year's NCAA field of 48 teams.

Minnesota vs. The NCAA Tournament Field

Wisconsin, 2-0 L (9/25)

Northwestern, 2-1 L (9/27)

at Michigan, 1-0 W (10/4)

at Penn State, 3-2 L ot (10/9)

Indiana, 1-0 W (10/16)

*vs. Indiana, 2-2 T 2ot (11/6)

#Kentucky, 6-0 W (11/11)

#at Portland, 3-0 L (11/15)

*-Big Ten Tournament

#-NCAA Tournament

ALL-BIG TEN TEAM—Three Minnesota players landed on the 1998 All-Big Ten First Team this season, including repeat selection **Vanessa Touset**.

A co-captain for the Gophers this season, **Touset** was a second-team pick in 1996 before earning first team honors last season. She was also a second-team All-Great Lakes Region pick in each of the last two seasons.

A second-team All-Big Ten pick last season, **Nicole Lee** led all Big Ten scorers in during the regular season with 38 points.

After earning second-team All-Big Ten honors last season while also being named the conference Newcomer of the Year, **Laurie Seidl** (St. Charles, Ill./St. Charles) earned first-team all-conference honors this season.

Lee and **Seidl** were one-two in the league goal-scoring race with **Lee** scoring 16 in the regular season while **Seidl** had 15.

DYNAMIC DUO—Combined, **Nicole Lee** and **Laurie Seidl** notched 32 of Minnesota's 57 goals on the season and scored nine of the team's 14 game-winners, with **Lee** tallying six and **Seidl** three. The pair also combined to take 139 of the Gophers' 400 shots.

Minnesota was 11-1-0 when at least one of the two scored a goal, including 7-0-0 when both players scored. Minnesota was 3-4-1 when neither player scored.

IN THE RECORD BOOKS—Several Gopher players find themselves in the top 10 of the team's career records.

Nicole Lee will head into her senior season third on Minnesota's all-time scoring list with 94 points. She is also third on the all-time goals list with 38 and is fifth in career assists with 18.

Corinne Bolder finishes her career sixth in all-time scoring with 74 points. She moved into second place on the career games played list Sunday, playing in her 87th game. She did not miss a game during her career. **Bolder** also finished sixth in goals, 25, and tied for third in assists, 25.

Laurie Seidl, after just two seasons, is seventh in career scoring with 58 points. She is also seventh in career goals, 24, and is eighth in assists, 10.

Megan Johnson is eighth in career points, 32, and goals, 9, and sixth in assists, 14.

Vanessa Touset finished her career tied for third in games played, 86, and **Jamie Wyffels** (Coon Rapids, Minn./Coon Rapids) finished fifth, 85.

Dana Larson wrapped up her third season second with 20 career shutouts, 247 saves and 4,723 minutes played.

BIG TEN STATISTICS—Minnesota had three players among the top 10 in conference scoring through the regular season. **Nicole Lee** led the Big Ten with 38 points while **Laurie Seidl** was fourth with 32 and **Alison Rackley** was 10th with 24 points.

Lee and **Seidl** were also 1-2 in the race for the league goal-scoring title. **Lee** led the Big Ten with 16 goals while **Seidl** is one back with 15. **Rackley** was sixth in the conference in assists with eight, while **Corinne Bolder** was tied for seventh with seven.

In goalkeeping, **Dana Larson** (Delaware, Ohio/Hayes) was fourth in saves, 78, and fifth in goals against average, 1.01.

HOME-FIELD ADVANTAGE—In its fifth season as the home to the University of Minnesota women's soccer program, the **St. Paul Campus Soccer Field**, with seating for 1,200 and an overflow capacity of 2,000, has proven to be a tough place for visiting teams to play.

In five years, the Gophers have amassed a 39-8-4 home record, an impressive .804 winning percentage.

Following the 1998 season, a multimillion dollar complex will be built to house the Gopher women's soccer program, due in large part to a gift of \$800,000 from **Deborah Robbie Olson** in the name of her mother **Elizabeth Lyle Robbie**.

Olson has also contributed \$100,000 for a scholarship endowment for the soccer program.

1998 Minnesota Soccer 3-3-3-3

BREAKING IT DOWN—Here is how Minnesota's record broke down during its 21 games.

GOPHER RECORD WHEN:

Scoring first	13-0-0
Opponent scores first	1-6-1
Leading at halftime	11-0-0
Opponent leads at halftime	0-2-0
Tied at halftime	3-4-1
Outscoring opponent in second half	10-1-1
Outscored by opponent in second half	0-4-0
Even with opponent in second half	4-1-0
In overtime	0-1-1
Outshooting opponent	13-2-1
Outshot by opponent	1-4-0
Shots are even	0-0-0
Having more corner kicks than opponent	11-2-1
Opponent has more corner kicks	2-3-0
Corner kicks are even	1-1-0
Big Ten Conference game	5-4-0
Non-conference game	9-2-1
At St. Paul Campus Soccer Field	6-3-0
On the road	7-3-0
At neutral site	1-0-1

GONE POLLING—Here is the final national poll of the 1998 season from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America, sponsored by Umbro.

School	Record	Points	LW
1. North Carolina	18-0-0	300	1
2. Santa Clara	17-0-1	288	2
3. Connecticut	17-0-2	274	3
4. Florida	18-1-0	266	4
5. Notre Dame	16-2-1	250	5
6. Portland	14-2-2	242	6
7. Dartmouth	14-1-1	211	7
8. William & Mary	13-2-2	204	8
9. San Diego State	15-2-1	197	10
10. Vanderbilt	14-4-0	195	12
11. Penn State	16-3-1	179	11
12. Baylor	15-3-1	158	16
13. Virginia	12-5-2	146	13
14. Clemson	13-5-0	145	14
15. Brigham Young	16-3-0	125	20
16. Northwestern	14-3-1	120	18
17. Nebraska	14-3-1	115	9
18. Hartford	13-4-0	110	15
19. James Madison	12-6-1	80	23
20. UCLA	15-3-1	73	17
21. Wake Forest	12-5-1	69	21
22. Wisconsin	10-6-2	51	NR
23. Harvard	10-4-1	47	22
24. Michigan	12-3-1	24	19
25. Alabama	12-5-1	14	NR

Also receiving votes: Navy, Texas A&M, Southern California, Indiana.

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL RANKINGS—1. Notre Dame, 16-2-1; 2. Northwestern, 14-3-1; 3. Wisconsin, 11-4-1; 4. Michigan, 12-5-1; 5. Indiana, 13-6-0; 6. Minnesota, 13-5-0; 7. Kentucky, 8-7-3; 8. Marquette, 13-5-1; 9. Ohio State, 11-7-1; 10. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 10-5-2.

1998 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Overall: 14-6-1 Conf: 5-4-0 Home: 6-3-0 Away: 7-3-0 Neut: 1-0-1

##	Name	GP-GS	Min	G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	YC-RC	GW	PK-ATT
2	Nicole Lee	21-21	1644	17	9	43	70	.243	2-0	6	0-0
16	Laurie Seidl	21-21	1423	15	3	33	69	.217	0-0	3	0-1
6	Alison Rackley	21-21	1739	9	9	27	52	.173	1-0	2	0-0
15	Corinne Bolder	21-9	1337	4	8	16	46	.087	0-0	2	0-0
11	Juli Montgomery	21-21	1567	3	3	9	28	.107	0-0	0	0-0
22	Megan Johnson	21-12	950	3	1	7	27	.111	0-0	1	0-0
3	Vanessa Touset	20-20	1665	3	1	7	11	.273	3-1	0	0-0
5	Samantha Meyers	21-21	1484	1	3	5	23	.043	0-0	0	0-0
7	Amy Koehler	16-0	439	1	3	5	7	.143	1-0	0	0-0
10	Erin Holland	21-21	1793	0	5	5	30	.000	2-0	0	0-0
8	Allyson Brodie	20-0	575	1	1	3	7	.143	0-0	0	0-0
12	Erika Kruse	19-0	589	0	3	3	3	.000	0-0	0	0-0
14	Noelle Papenhausen	21-15	1445	0	1	1	11	.000	1-0	0	0-0
13	Kelly Shea	12-11	454	0	1	1	8	.000	0-0	0	0-0
25	Jamie Wyffels	21-17	1748	0	1	1	3	.000	0-0	0	0-0
20	Erica Berghauer	2-0	53	0	0	0	5	.000	0-0	0	0-0
24	Natalie Fevig	3-0	38	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
23	Megan O'Leary	1-0	23	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
19	Jada Hansen	2-0	20	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
18	Sarah FitzGerald	15-0	262	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
17	Rose Grimm	2-0	44	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
1	Julie Eibensteiner	6-0	293	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
00	Dana Larson	20-0	1636	0	0	0	0	.000	1-0	0	0-0
TM	TEAM	2-0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
	Total.....	21	21221	57	52	166	400	.142	11-1	14	0-1
	Opponents.....	21	-	23	15	61	222	.104	13-1	6	3-3

##	Name	GP-GS	Minutes	---GOAL AVERAGE---		--SAVES--		----RECORD----			Shots	
				GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	Faced
1	Julie Eibensteiner	6-1	293:10	3	0.92	7	.700	2	1	0	2.0	19
00	Dana Larson	20-20	1636:10	20	1.10	89	.817	12	5	1	5.0	183
	Total.....	21	1929:20	23	1.07	97	.808	14	6	1	7	202
	Opponents.....	21	1929:20	57	2.66	179	.758	6	14	1	3	388

Team saves: 1

GOALS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total	CORNER KICKS BY PRD	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Minnesota.....	25	32	0	57	Minnesota.....	56	45	0	103
Opponents.....	6	16	1	23	Opponents.....	25	32	2	59

SHOTS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total	FOULS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Minnesota.....	213	178	5	399	Minnesota.....	115	112	2	230
Opponents.....	101	118	3	222	Opponents.....	101	98	5	207

SAVES BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total	ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	MINN	OPP
Minnesota.....	41	55	1	97	Total.....	4176	3765
Opponents.....	98	76	3	179	Dates/Avg Per Date..	9/464	10/377
					Neutral Site #/Avg..	2/255	

1998 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Overall: 14-6-1 Conf: 5-4-0 Home: 6-3-0 Away: 7-3-0 Neut: 1-0-1

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts....	57-400	23-222
Shot pct.....	.142	.104
Goals/Game.....	2.7	1.1
Shots/Game.....	19.0	10.6
Assists.....	52	15
CORNER KICKS.....	103	59
PENALTY KICKS.....	0-1	3-3
OFFSIDES.....	29	42
PENALTIES.....		
Fouls.....	230	207
Yellow cards.....	11	13
Red cards.....	1	1
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	4176	3765
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	9/464	10/377
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OFFSIDES BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Minnesota.....	12	17	0	29
Opponents.....	22	20	0	42



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 0-0 Big Ten: 0-0

November

5 Shelen (exhibition) W, 75-63
17 Illinois State 7 p.m.
 20-22 at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)
 20 at Hawaii 5 p.m.
 21 vs. Kansas 1 p.m.
 22 vs. Massachusetts 3 p.m.
28-29 Gopher Basketball Classic
28 Bradley 2 p.m.
29 vs. UNLV/Delaware 1/3 p.m.

December

2 at Howard 6 p.m.
 4 at Georgetown 8 p.m.
 16 at South Florida 7 p.m.
 19 at Stetson 7 p.m.
 28 at Wisconsin* 7 p.m.
 30 at Purdue* 7:30 p.m.

January

3 Penn State* 2 p.m.
5 Iowa* 7 p.m.
 10 at Michigan* 2 p.m.
 15 at Northwestern* 7 p.m.
17 Indiana* 2 p.m.
 22 at Michigan State* 7 p.m.
 24 at Ohio State* 2 p.m.
29 Illinois* 7 p.m.
31 Northwestern* 4 p.m.

February

5 Michigan* 7 p.m.
 12 at Iowa* 7:30 p.m.
 14 at Penn State* 2 p.m.
19 Purdue* 7 p.m.
21 Wisconsin* 2 p.m.
 26-28 at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)

March

1 at Big Ten Tournament
 12-15 at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round
 20-22 at NCAA Regionals
 26-28 at NCAA Final Four

Home games in **bold** are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



vs. Illinois State
Tuesday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m.
at Hawaiian Regent Classic
Friday-Sunday, Nov. 20-22

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The Minnesota women's basketball team opens its 1998-99 regular season this week with four games in six days. The Gophers (0-0) host Illinois State (1-0) at the Sports Pavilion on Tuesday, Nov. 17, at 7 p.m. Minnesota leaves the next day for Honolulu, and the Hawaiian Regent Classic. The Gophers will play Hawaii (0-0) on Friday at 5 p.m. (HST), No. 11 Kansas (0-1) on Saturday at 1 p.m., and Massachusetts (1-0) on Sunday at 3 p.m. There is a four-hour time difference between Hawaii and the Twin Cities.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE — The Gophers will practice Monday from 12:30-3 p.m. at the Sports Pavilion. If you would like to speak to a student-athlete or coach, please contact Bruce Wolfe in the Sports Information office at 624-9396.

PROJECTED STARTING LINEUP — The Gophers started three players against Shelen that had never seen time in a Minnesota uniform. If Cheryl Littlejohn uses the same starters against Illinois State, the lineup will have a combined 27 starts from the 1997-98 season. The projected starters:

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Cl.	Shelen Stats
F	21	Sonja Robinson	5-10	Sr.	7 pts., 4 rbs. in 27 min.
F	33	Theresa LeCuyer	6-1	So.	20 pts., 8 rbs., 8-16 FG
C	23	Moneeke Bowden	6-2	Jr.	11 pts., 6 rbs. in 25 min.
G	3	Antoinetta Blevins	5-7	Jr.	15 pts., 4 ast., 6 stl.
G	11	Cassie VanderHeyden	5-6	Fr.	14 pts., 4-10 3FG, 2 stl.

ABOUT ILLINOIS STATE — The Redbirds will be playing their second regular season game of the season Tuesday at the Sports Pavilion. Illinois State defeated Rice 76-74 in overtime Sunday in Normal, Ill. Jenny Schmidt scored nine of her 20 points in overtime to lead the Redbirds to victory.

Illinois State was 11-16 during the 1997-98 season, going 9-9 in the Missouri Valley Conference and finishing tied for fifth in the 10-team league. The Redbirds lost their last three games of the season, including a 68-57 decision to Indiana State in the quarterfinals of the MVC Tournament.

The Redbirds return two of their five starters from last season's squad. Senior Jenny Schmidt led Illinois State in scoring with a 15.9 average, and was second in NCAA Division I with a three-point field goal percentage of .503 (77-153). Junior Kristy Crowley started all 27 games in 1997-98, averaging 6.3 points and 3.5 rebounds per game.

Illinois State head coach Jill Hutchison is in her 28th season as the head coach of the Redbirds and has a career record of 454-303 (.600). She is 19th on the NCAA all-time victory list and her teams have qualified for three NCAA tournaments.

THE SERIES — Illinois State leads 2-1. The Redbirds defeated the Gophers 65-51 on Dec. 17, 1997, at Redbird Arena in Normal, Ill. Corrine Vossel scored 23 points and pulled down seven rebounds to lead Illinois State. Angie Iverson had 18 points and 13 rebounds to pace the Gophers. Minnesota held Jenny Schmidt to nine points on 4-for-12 shooting in 36 minutes.

ABOUT HAWAII — The Rainbow Wahine will be opening their 1998-99 season against Minnesota on Friday. This is one of four non-conference tournaments that Hawaii will host during the 1998-99 season.

Hawaii won 23 of its first 24 games last season and finished with a 24-4 record, 13-1 in the WAC Pacific Division. The Rainbow Wahine lost both of their post-season games, losing 79-65 to New Mexico in the quarterfinals of the WAC Tournament and 76-70 to Arkansas, which advanced to the NCAA Final Four in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

The Rainbow Wahine return three of their five starters from last season's squad. Junior forward Kylie Page was Hawaii's second-leading scorer at 18.4 points/game and was a first-team All-WAC Pacific Division selection. Junior forward Raylene Howard (16.4 points/game) and senior guard BJ Itoman (5.1 assists/game) were second team All-WAC Pacific Division selections.

Hawaii head coach Vince Goo is in his 12th season as the head coach of the Rainbow Wahine and has a career record of 224-97 (.698). He has guided Hawaii to five NCAA Tournament appearances.

THE SERIES — This is the first meeting between the two teams. It is Minnesota's first-ever game against a team from the state of Hawaii.

ABOUT KANSAS — The 11th-ranked Jayhawks (0-1) opened their season Sunday, losing 76-58 to 10th-ranked North Carolina at the State Farm Tip-Off Classic in West Lafayette, Ind.

Kansas finished with a 23-9 record in 1997-98, including an 11-5 mark in Big 12 play. The Jayhawks lost in the final of the Big 12 Tournament to Texas Tech 71-53 but advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 for the second time in the program's history. Like Hawaii, Kansas was eliminated by Arkansas. The Lady Razorbacks defeated the Jayhawks 79-63 in the NCAA West Regional Semifinals.

The Jayhawks return all five starters from last season's squad. Junior forward Lynn Pride was a first-team All-Big 12 selection last season, leading Kansas with a 14.9 scoring average. Senior guard Suzi Raymant averaged 14.1 points/game and shot nearly 42 percent from behind the three-point arc in 1997-98.

Kansas head coach Marian Washington is in her 26th season as the head coach of the Jayhawks and has a career record of 480-268 (.642). The Minnesota game will be her

750th as the Kansas head coach. She has guided Kansas to nine NCAA Tournament appearances and has a 12-2 career record against Minnesota.

THE SERIES — Kansas leads 12-2. Minnesota won the last meeting 82-76 on Dec. 1, 1992 at Williams Arena in Minneapolis. The Jayhawks had won the previous six meetings.

ABOUT MASSACHUSETTS — The Minutewomen opened their season Saturday with an 83-66 home victory over St. John's at the Mullins Center. Seven players scored at least eight points, led by junior guard Alison MacFarland with 14 points. UMass will play at Boston College on Monday before travelling to Hawaii.

Massachusetts finished with a 19-11 record last season, including an 11-5 record in Atlantic-10 play. The Minutewomen qualified for their second-ever NCAA Tournament, losing a first-round game to Iowa 77-59 in Iowa City.

The Minutewomen return three of five starters from last season's squad. Senior forward Tez Kraft was the top scorer among UMass regulars last season, scoring 14.2 points per game.

Massachusetts head coach Joanie O'Brien is in her eighth season as the head coach of the Minutewomen and has a career record of 106-96 (.525).

THE SERIES — This is the first meeting between the two teams.

GOPHER REWIND: SHELEN — Minnesota used a 21-6 run late in the second half to defeat Shelen (Russia) 75-63 Nov. 5 at the Sports Pavilion. **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** scored 20 points to lead four Gophers in double figures. She also led Minnesota with eight rebounds. The Minnesota defense created 19 steals that led to 35 Shelen turnovers.

LECUYER IS THE CURE — Sophomore **Theresa LeCuyer** entered the 1998 off-season knowing that she had a chance to be a significant contributor for this year's Gopher squad. **LeCuyer** worked very hard during the summer, according to Minnesota head coach **Cheryl Littlejohn**. The hard work has started to pay off as she poured in a game-high 20 points, pulled down eight rebounds and dished out four assists in the Minnesota victory. The 20 points, eight field goals and four assists would have been career highs and the eight rebounds would have tied her career high, had the game been a regular season game.

NEWCOMERS MAKE AN IMPACT — Ninety-seven of the 200 minutes played in the Shelen game were played by Gophers who were not in Minnesota uniforms last season. Three of those newcomers made significant contributions to the Gopher victory. Junior transfer

Antionetta "Tweet" Blevins (Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC) added speed and quickness to the Gopher backcourt. "Tweet" fluttered her way to 15 points, six steals and four assists in the Minnesota victory. No Gopher had six steals in any game last season.

First-year player **Cassie VanderHeyden (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis)** made her debut with 14 points in 21 minutes. **VanderHeyden** showed no fear shooting from behind the three-point arc, knocking down four of 10 attempts behind the stripe. Junior transfer **Moneeke Bowden (Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC)** started in the middle and provided scoring, rebounding, and a defensive presence in the middle for Minnesota. **Bowden** scored 11 points and pulled down six rebounds in 25 minutes to contribute to the Gopher victory.

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Head coach **Cheryl Littlejohn** is in her second season as head coach for the Gophers and had a 4-23 (.148) record in her first season as a collegiate head coach. **Littlejohn** came to Minnesota on April 10, 1997, after serving as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was

an assistant coach at North Carolina State. **Littlejohn** played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt, where she won a national championship and played in three Final Fours.

MINNESOTA ON TV — Minnesota will have four games televised locally by Midwest Sports Channel this season. A fifth game will be broadcast on MSC as part of the Fox Sports Chicago package with the Big Ten Conference. The Minnesota broadcast schedule:

Sunday, Jan. 3	vs. Penn State	2 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 5	vs. Iowa	7 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 17	vs. Illinois	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 31	vs. Northwestern (FOX)	4 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 21	vs. Wisconsin	2 p.m.

UP NEXT — Minnesota returns to the Twin Cities next Tuesday, Nov. 24. The Gophers will host the Golden Gopher Basketball Classic Nov. 28-29 at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota plays Bradley at 2 p.m. on Nov. 28, preceded by UNLV and Delaware at noon. The consolation game is Nov. 29 at 1 p.m., followed by the championship game at 3 p.m.

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-10	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach: Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)
 Assistant Coaches: Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson
 Coordinator of Basketball Operations: Robin Hester

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Wednesday, Dec. 2	
BB at Howard	6 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 3	
HO hosts Gustavus Adolphus	7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 4	
BB at Georgetown	7 p.m.

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What's Coming Up

Hockey

- Golden Gophers host Gustavus Adolphus Thursday

Basketball

- Minnesota travels to Howard and Georgetown

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- Fifth-ranked Golden Gophers defend their Princeton Thanksgiving Tournament title
- Minnesota extends winning streak to six games

Basketball

- Minnesota falls in championship game of Golden Gopher Classic
- Sonja Robinson named to all-tournament team

Volleyball

- Golden Gophers drop two Big Ten matches at home
- Minnesota ends the season 17-14

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 7-1-1

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1

7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)

14 Bemidji State W, 10-0

15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0

20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1

27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2

28 Princeton@ W, 3-1

29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus 7:00 p.m.

18 Manitoba# 7:00 p.m.

19 Alberta# TBA

20 TBA 11:00 a.m.

January

9 St. Cloud State 7:00 p.m.

15 St. Lawrence\$ 5:00 p.m.

16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 8:00 p.m.

17 Toronto\$ 5:00 p.m.

22 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.

23 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.

29 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 5:00 p.m.

30 New Hampshire\$ 2:30 p.m.

31 Beatrice Aeros\$ 12:00 p.m.

February

5 Cornell 7:00 p.m.

6 Cornell 7:00 p.m.

7 Minnesota State, Mankato 3:00 p.m.

13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.

14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.

20 Providence 2:30 p.m.

21 Providence 1:00 p.m.

26 Brown 7:00 p.m.

27 Brown 7:00 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA

22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.

26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

#—Manitoba Tournament

\$—Lake Placid Tournament

%—New Hampshire Tournament



Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

November 23, 1998

#5 Minnesota vs. Gustavus Adolphus
Thursday, Dec. 3, 1998, 7 p.m.

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota will play its fourth game in seven days as the Gophers host Gustavus Adolphus, Thursday, at Mariucci Arena beginning at 7 p.m.

Thursday's affair is Minnesota's final game before beginning a 15-day layoff for final exams.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fifth-ranked Gophers won their second consecutive Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational by winning three games over the weekend. They opened with a 5-2 win over fourth-ranked Northeastern and followed with a 3-1 win over co-fifth-ranked Princeton. With the title already in hand, Minnesota pounded Queen's University 10-0.

With the three wins, the Gophers raised their record to 7-1-1 on the season and extended their winning streak to six games.

Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina) and Nadine Muzerall (Mississauga, Ontario/Kimball Union Academy) each had four-point games and Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy) stopped 32 shots in the 5-2 win over Northeastern.

The Huskies outshot the Gophers 14-9 in the opening period but Killewald kept Northeastern at bay and Muzerall and Courtney Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham Browne & Nichols) scored to give Minnesota a 2-0 lead.

Emily Buchholz (Waupun, Wis./Waupun) increased the lead to 3-0 with a power-play goal just 1:33 into the second period. Schmidgall made it 4-1 with 3:07 to play in the middle frame and scored her second goal of the game just 32 seconds into the final period to give the Gophers a 5-1 lead.

Saturday's tilt with host Princeton got off to a slow start as the teams battled through a scoreless first period, but Schmidgall scored on a power play at 4:01 of the the second period. The Tigers' Ali Coughlin made it 1-1 at the 10:14 mark but Matty Brekken (Devils Lake, N.D./Devils Lake) scored the eventual game-winner at 14:27 and Ambria Thomas (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley) scored with 1:25 to play in the period. Killewald turned in another stellar performance, turning aside 25 of 26 shots for her fourth win of the season.

Sunday saw the Gophers rout Queen's behind a hat trick by co-captain Kris Scholz (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area) and a four-point performance by Schmidgall while Brekken scored a pair of goals for Minnesota. Crystal Nicholas (Tulsa, Okla./Union) stopped six shots, five in the final period, for her third shutout of the season.

GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS RECENTLY—The Gusties have been off since a 10-0 win over Wisconsin-River Falls, Nov. 22. Sarah Garrison and Jenny McCall led Gustavus with a pair of goals and one assist each.

Gustavus, now 4-2-0 overall and 2-0 in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, broke open a tight game by exploding for seven goals in the second period, outshooting the Falcons 19-0 during the 20-minutes.

Before taking on the Gophers Thursday, the Gusties will be on the road for a conference game at St. Catherine's, Wednesday.

Gustavus Adolphus is under the guidance of Scott Moe, in his second season as the Gusties' head coach. A 1995 graduate of Gustavus, Moe was an All-American golfer during a standout four-year career. He also played one year for the Gustie hockey team and spent one season as an assistant coach with the men's team before taking over the women's program.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 2-2-2-2-2

The *Women's Hockey News* co-coach of the year last season, Moe is currently 20-14-1 at Gustavus.

IN THE RECORD BOOK—For the second year in a row, Nadine Muzerall recorded nine points on three goals and six assists at the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

With 12 career assists at the tournament, Muzerall has tied 1998 U.S. Olympic captain Cammi Granato of Concordia University. Muzerall set the tournament record for assists with six last year and tied the mark again this season.

With 17 points, Muzerall ranks third all-time in tournament history with Granato setting the record of 27 during her three years at Concordia.

Jenny Schmidgall, with nine points, tied for second for points in a tournament, a mark which both Muzerall and Ambria Thomas reached last season.

MS. ZERO—Despite being relatively untested in her first three collegiate starts, Crystal Nicholas has not been scored upon in her first 180 minutes of action.

All three of her wins have been by identical 10-0 scores and she has made 20 saves in those three outings, including a high of 13 versus Minnesota-Duluth, Nov. 15.

LIKE A ROCK—The goaltending of Erica Killewald and Crystal Nicholas has been outstanding for the Gophers this season.

As the team's number-one goalie, Killewald has not allowed more than two goals in six starts this season, boasting a 1.41 goals against average and a .943 save percentage, including marks of 1.48 and .953 versus ranked opponents this season.

Nicholas now has a team record streak of 180 consecutive shutout minutes.

POWER SURGE—The Gophers' power play was 6-for-14 on the weekend, including a 3-for-3 effort in Sunday's win over Queen's.

Kris Scholz scored two of the three power-play goals versus Queen's while Courtney Kennedy had the other and also scored one versus Northeastern. Emily Buchholz also had a power-play goal in a 2-for-8 effort versus the Huskies while Jenny Schmidgall had Minnesota's lone power-play tally against Princeton.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—In December, Jenny Schmidgall and Winny Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area) will play for Team USA at the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

The pair was chosen from the USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and will be joined by Gopher head coach Laura Halldorson, who will serve as the team's assistant coach, as part of the USA contingent.

THE COACHES—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, Laura Halldorson has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting an 87-83-13 overall record and a 28-8-4 mark at Minnesota.

She began her coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival. In December, she will serve as an assistant for the U.S. National team that competes in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, Halldorson played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, Halldorson returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is Mariucci Arena (9,700). One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, Mariucci Arena will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 13-3-4 in the five-year-old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets underway at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season, beginning Nov. 27 with the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

KKMS broadcast the Friday and Saturday games from Princeton's Hober Baker Rink and will carry Minnesota's Jan. 29-30 games from the Towse Center at the University of New Hampshire Invitational.

Additionally, KKMS will carry four home games: Feb. 5 versus Cornell; Feb. 7 versus Minnesota State, Mankato; Feb. 21 versus Providence; and Feb. 26 versus Brown.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball player Sarah Pearman handling the color commentary.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 3-3-3-3

TOUGH SCHEDULE—Minnesota has already faced four ranked teams this season, posting a 2-1-1 record in those games.

The Gophers will play eight of the nine other teams ranked in the preseason *U.S. College Hockey Online* poll for a total of 12 games. Dartmouth is the only ranked team Minnesota does not face during the regular season.

In addition to those 12 games, Minnesota will face defending Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union champion Concordia twice and 1998 CIAU runner-up Toronto once.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota maintained its fifth-place position in both the *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* and *U.S. College Hockey Online* polls last week. However, Princeton moved into a tie with the Gophers in the *AHA/USA Today* poll. New Hampshire held onto the top spot in both polls.

AMERICAN HOCKEY MAGAZINE POLL (Nov. 24, 1998)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. New Hampshire (5)	5-0-1	25	1
2. Brown	2-0-2	18	2
3. Harvard	5-1-0	13	4
4. Northeastern	4-0-2	11	3
5. Minnesota	4-1-1	4	5
Princeton	5-1-0	4	NR

U.S. COLLEGE HOCKEY ONLINE POLL (Nov. 24, 1998)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. New Hampshire (8)	5-0-1	96	1
2. Harvard (1)	5-1-0	87	3
3. Brown (1)	2-0-2	83	2
4. Northeastern	4-0-2	71	4
5. Minnesota	3-1-1	63	5
6. Providence	2-1-1	45	7
7. Princeton	5-1-0	39	6
8. Dartmouth	3-2-1	32	NR

Also receiving votes: Cornell 4.

UP NEXT—Minnesota takes a 15-day hiatus before returning to action for the final time in 1998 at the University of Manitoba Invitational.

The Gophers will take on Manitoba Friday, Dec. 18, and the University of Alberta Saturday, Dec. 19. The championship game is slated for Sunday, Dec. 20.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 13-for-43 (30.2%) after going 6-for-14 at Princeton. The Gophers' 43 power plays have resulted in 64:55 of power-play time and they average a goal every 5:00 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	9	4	3	7	15	.267
Jenny Schmidgall	8	1	6	7	12	.083
Kris Scholz	9	2	4	6	6	.333
Emily Buchholz	9	1	3	4	3	.333
Courtney Kennedy	8	2	1	3	9	.222
Brittney Ralph	9	1	2	3	7	.143
Shannon Kennedy	8	0	2	2	3	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Amber Hegland	9	1	0	1	2	.500
Laura Slominski	8	1	0	1	2	.500
Winnie Brodt	8	0	0	0	4	.000
Angela Borek	8	0	0	0	2	.000
Ambria Thomas	7	0	0	0	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	5	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	9	13	23	36	70	.186
Opponents	9	3	6	9	30	.100

THE PENALTY KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 25-for-28 (89.3%) killing penalties with their opponents having spent 47:31 on the power play, averaging a goal every 15:50. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	9	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	8	0	0	0	3	.000
Shannon Kennedy	8	0	0	0	2	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Brittney Ralph	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	8	0	0	0	1	.000
Laura Slominski	8	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	5	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	9	2	0	2	16	.125
Opponents	9	0	0	0	3	.000



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 3-3 Big Ten: 0-0

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	7 p.m.
4	at Georgetown	8 p.m.
16	at South Florida	7 p.m.
19	at Stetson	7 p.m.
28	at Wisconsin*	7 p.m.
30	at Purdue*	7:30 p.m.

January

3	Penn State*	2 p.m.
5	Iowa*	7 p.m.
10	at Michigan*	2 p.m.
15	at Northwestern*	7 p.m.
17	Indiana*	2 p.m.
22	at Michigan State*	7 p.m.
24	at Ohio State*	2 p.m.
29	Illinois*	7 p.m.
31	Northwestern*	4 p.m.

February

5	Michigan*	7 p.m.
12	at Iowa*	7:30 p.m.
14	at Penn State*	2 p.m.
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament	
12-15	at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round	
20-22	at NCAA Regionals	
26-28	at NCAA Final Four	

Home games in bold are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



at Howard
Wednesday, Dec. 2, 7 p.m. (EST)
at Georgetown
Friday, Dec. 4, 8 p.m. (EST)

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The Minnesota women's basketball team (3-3) begins its December road show this week in Washington, D.C., with games against Howard (1-4) and Georgetown (3-2). The Gophers will play their next six games away from the Sports Pavilion and do not return until their Big Ten home opener against Penn State on Sunday, Jan. 3. With its next win, Minnesota will match its season win total for each of the past three seasons. Minnesota is 3-3 after six games for the first time since the 1994-95 season.

PROBABLE STARTERS — Minnesota has started the same lineup for the past four games, going 2-2 with this combination. **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** and **Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparral)** are the two players that have started all six games for Minnesota. The Gopher probables for the D.C. road swing:

Pos.	No.	Name	Cl.	Notes
F	15	Jackie Tate	Fr.	#2 rebounder (6.2 per game)
F	33	Theresa LeCuyer	Jr.	Scored 10+ pts. in 4 of 6 games
C	21	Sonja Robinson	Sr.	Leads Gophers in pts. and rbs.
G	4	Erin Olson	Jr.	Leads Minn. in ast. (4.1 per game)
G	10	Swantreca Taylor	Sr.	Started last four games

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach Cheryl Littlejohn is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 7-26 (.212) record in her two-year collegiate career. Littlejohn served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. Littlejohn played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT HOWARD — The Lady Bison are 1-4 in their first five games of the 1998-99 season. After losses to Western Kentucky (89-66) and Florida International (77-44), Howard defeated Maryland 65-47 in its only home game on Nov. 20. The Lady Bison lost both of their games at Seton Hall's tournament last weekend, dropping decisions to Seton Hall (74-64) and Bowling Green (84-71).

Howard has three double-figure scorers in its starting lineup. Guard Chanell Washington (13.2 ppg, 2.6 apg), forward Courtney Kirk (12.7 ppg, 5.0 rpg), and center Yetta Enobakhare (12.4 ppg, 7.4 rpg) lead the Lady Bison attack. Kirk had 15 points and Enobakhare had 12 rebounds in Howard's win against Maryland.

Sanya Tyler is in her 20th season as the head coach at Howard and has a record of 264-248 (.516). She led Howard to the 1998 MEAC championship and the NCAA Tournament.

THE SERIES — First meeting between the two schools.

ABOUT GEORGETOWN — The Hoyas have won their last two games, against Mount St. Mary's (104-80) and Rider (99-79), and are 3-2 on the season. Georgetown will host Lafayette on Monday before hosting the Gophers on Friday.

Sophomore guard Katie Smrcka-Duffy leads Georgetown's high-scoring attack. The 5-9 transfer from North Carolina State is averaging 29.6 points per game and is shooting 55 percent from the field. Smrcka-Duffy scored a career-high 37 points against Rider last Saturday. Georgetown is averaging 84.6 points per game as a team.

Patrick Knapp is in his 13th season as the Georgetown head coach and his 16th season as a collegiate head coach. He is 159-181 (.468) at Georgetown and 204-220 (.481) overall.

THE SERIES — First meeting.

GOLDEN GOPHER BB CLASSIC RESULTS —

Semifinals — Saturday, Nov. 28

UNLV 77, Delaware 76

Minnesota 84, Bradley 59

Finals — Sunday, Nov. 29

Consolation — Bradley 94, Delaware 87

Championship — UNLV 75, Minnesota 61

GOPHER REWIND: UNLV — The Lady Rebels scored 45 points and shot 62 percent from the field in the second half to hand Minnesota its first loss of the season on its home floor. The Gophers forced 23 UNLV turnovers and had a 22-10 advantage on the offensive glass but could not overcome 30 percent shooting from the field and 53 percent from the line.

GOPHER REWIND: BRADLEY — Minnesota used a 17-2 run early in the second half to create its biggest winning margin of the season. The Gopher defense limited Bradley to 25 percent shooting in the second half. Minnesota outrebounded Bradley 55-42 and made 16 more free throws. The game moved Minnesota over the .500 mark after five games for the first time since 1993.

ROBINSON NAMED ALL-TOURNAMENT — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continued to make her presence felt this weekend at the Golden Gopher Basketball Classic. **Sonja Robinson** was named to her second all-tournament team in as many weeks with stellar play on both ends of the floor. After establishing a career high with 16 points against Massachusetts on Nov. 22, **Robinson** reset the mark twice over the weekend. She scored 17 points in Minnesota's win against Bradley on Saturday and 18 points in the Gophers' loss against UNLV. **Robinson** continues to be a demon on the boards, snatching 17 rebounds in the two games. In the UNLV game, eight of her nine rebounds came at the offensive end of the floor. **Robinson** leads Minnesota in average minutes

(35.0), points (12.2) and rebounds (7.8). She has led or shared the Minnesota lead in scoring in each of the last three games and has led or shared the lead in rebounding in each of the last four games.

REBOUNDING ROUNDUP — Minnesota had a good weekend off the glass, outrebounding Bradley 55-42 and earning a draw with UNLV 44-44. The Gophers did hold a 22-10 advantage over the Lady Rebels off the offensive glass. Minnesota has a rebound margin for the season of +1.0, an improvement from the rebound margin of -2.2 from last season. The Gophers are 1-1 in games that they have outrebounded their opponents, 0-1 when they are even in rebounds, and 2-1 when they lose the battle of the boards. **Sonja Robinson** is Minnesota's top rebounder at 7.8 per game, with 24 of her 47 rebounds coming at the offensive end of the floor. **Erin Olson** is the Gophers' best at the defensive end, pulling down 26 caroms.

TURNOVER TOPICS — Minnesota continues to improve its turnover numbers from a year ago. The Gophers had a positive turnover margin in both games of the Golden Gopher Basketball Classic with a +1 against Bradley and a +10 against UNLV. The 13 turnovers that Minnesota committed against the Lady Rebels were the lowest of the season. The Gophers are averaging 18.3 turnovers per game, down from 22.2 per game in 1997-98. Minnesota has improved its turnover margin from -3.1 last season to +0.7 this season. Minnesota is 2-1 when they win the battle of the turnovers, 0-1 when they break even, and 1-1 when they lose that battle.

BENCH STRENGTH — For the first five games of the season, Minnesota had a significant edge in bench scoring. That edge was nullified by UNLV on Sunday, as the Lady Rebel substitutes outscored their Gopher counterparts 18-15. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 134-76, an 8.3 point surplus per game from their bench. The game-by-game breakdown:

Bench Scoring	MN	OPP	Key Contributor
vs. Illinois St.	31	15	Jackie Tate (10 pts.)
at Hawaii	15	0	Jackie Tate (6 pts.)
vs. Kansas	13	10	Cassie VanderHeyden (8 pts.)
vs. UMass	26	9	Moneeke Bowden (12 pts.)
vs. Bradley	34	24	"Tweet" Blevins (15 pts.)
vs. UNLV	15	18	Moneeke Bowden (7 pts.)

WHAT'S NEXT — Next week is final exam week for the Minnesota women's basketball team. The Gophers will not play again until Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m. (EST) when the play at South Florida. The two-game Florida road trip concludes at Stetson on Saturday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m. (EST) Minnesota opens its Big Ten schedule Monday, Dec. 28 at 7 p.m. at Wisconsin.

University of Minnesota
SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 11/29/98
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(3-3)	(2-1)	(0-1)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(3-3)	(2-1)	(0-1)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10) Tate, Jackie (10) Robinson, Sonja	(9)Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15)Bowden, Moneeke	(7)Tate, Jackie (7)LeCuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11)Olson, Erin (11)Taylor, Swantreca	(13)Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16)Robinson, Sonja (16)LeCuyer, Theresa	(8)Olson, Erin (8)Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja

! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic @ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	2,484	828
AWAY.....	1,727	1,727
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	7,759	1,293

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - AVG										
			FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA							PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG					
21 Robinson, Sonja	6	1	210	35.0	31	62	.500	0	0	.000	11	17	.647	24	23	47	7.8	15	0	6	6	2	7	73	12.2	
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	6	1	140	23.3	24	48	.500	2	4	.500	19	33	.576	15	15	30	5.0	14	1	8	13	1	6	69	11.5	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	6	0	111	18.5	16	50	.320	5	9	.556	11	21	.524	9	17	26	4.3	18	0	5	10	3	9	48	8.0	
04 Olson, Erin	6	1	206	34.3	13	39	.333	2	7	.286	15	20	.750	5	26	31	5.2	13	1	25	18	3	7	43	7.2	
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	6	0	96	16.0	16	47	.340	10	36	.278	0	0	.000	2	7	9	1.5	6	0	11	11	0	4	42	7.0	
15 Tate, Jackie	6	1	171	28.5	12	23	.522	0	0	.000	13	18	.722	16	21	37	6.2	16	0	8	11	2	3	37	6.2	
03 Elevins, Antoinetta	5	0	61	12.2	7	26	.269	1	10	.100	8	14	.571	3	5	8	1.6	12	0	5	9	0	4	23	4.6	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	6	1	90	15.0	4	19	.211	1	4	.250	10	13	.769	3	5	8	1.3	9	0	12	8	0	7	19	3.2	
05 Harris, Brandi	6	0	66	11.0	6	24	.250	3	6	.500	1	3	.333	4	7	11	1.8	12	0	2	10	0	2	16	2.7	
12 Hansen, Mindy	6	0	39	6.5	3	11	.273	0	1	.000	1	4	.250	5	5	10	1.7	5	0	2	1	1	1	7	1.2	
30 Pickens, Brandy	3	0	8	2.7	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	3	6	.500	0	5	5	1.7	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.0	
35 Schaffer, Erin	1	0	5	5.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	3	1	4	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0	
54 Bell, Kim	3	0	22	7.3	0	7	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	2	4	6	2.0	3	0	0	7	7	0	0	0.0	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														9	12	21										
Minnesota	6		1225		132	358	.369	24	77	.312	93	153	.608	100	153	253	42.2	124	2	84	110	19	50	381	63.5	
Opponents	6		1225		133	355	.375	19	75	.253	93	133	.699	91	156	247	41.2	120		84	114	22	42	378	63.0	

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	170	197	11	0	0	0	378
Minnesota	161	218	2	0	0	0	381

DEADBALL REBOUNDS:	OFF	DEF	TOTAL
Opponents	14	6	20
Minnesota	24	4	28

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Dec. 13-24
 SW/D Training Trip
 Swimmers: Maui, Hawaii
 Divers: Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Wednesday, Dec. 16
 BB at South Florida 6 p.m.

Friday-Sunday, Dec. 18-20
 HO at Manitoba Tournament
 18 vs. Manitoba 7 p.m.
 19 vs. Alberta 11 a.m.
 20 Championship Game 11 a.m.

Saturday, Dec. 19
 BB at Stetson 6 p.m.

All times central

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What's Coming Up

Minnesota Final Exam Week, Dec. 5-12

Hockey

- No. 4 Golden Gophers travel to University of Manitoba Tournament, Dec. 18-20

Basketball

- Minnesota to play South Florida and Stetson in Florida next week

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- No. 4 Golden Gophers extend winning streak to seven games

Basketball

- Minnesota drops two close games in Washington, D.C.

Volleyball

- Nicole Branagh named first-team All-Big Ten

*Catch what
you've been
Missing!*

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 8-1-1

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1

7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)

14 Bemidji State W, 10-0

15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0

20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1

27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2

28 Princeton@ W, 3-1

29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1

18 Manitoba# 7:00 p.m.

19 Alberta# 11:00 a.m.

20 Championship Game# 11:00 a.m.

January

9 St. Cloud State 7:00 p.m.

15 St. Lawrence\$ 5:00 p.m.

16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 8:00 p.m.

17 Toronto\$ 5:00 p.m.

22 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.

23 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.

29 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 5:00 p.m.

30 New Hampshire\$ 2:30 p.m.

31 Beatrice Aeros\$ 12:00 p.m.

February

5 Cornell 7:00 p.m.

6 Cornell 7:00 p.m.

7 Minnesota State, Mankato 3:00 p.m.

13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.

14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.

20 Providence 2:30 p.m.

21 Providence 1:00 p.m.

26 Brown 7:00 p.m.

27 Brown 7:00 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA

22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.

26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

#—Manitoba Tournament

\$—Lake Placid Tournament

%—New Hampshire Tournament



Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

December 7, 1998

#4 Minnesota is idle this week

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THIS WEEK—With final examinations underway at Minnesota, the Golden Gophers are on a 15-day hiatus and will not return to action until Dec. 18.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fourth-ranked Gophers extended their winning streak to seven games with an 8-1 win over Gustavus Adolphus, Thursday, at Mariucci Arena.

Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina) had a career-high five points, scoring a pair of goals, while sisters **Courtney** and **Shannon Kennedy** (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham Browne and Nichols) both contributed three points.

Shannon Kennedy, a junior left wing, opened the scoring at 4:35 of the opening period, kicking off a five-goal barrage that culminated with **Courtney Kennedy** scoring on the power play at 15:48. **Schmidgall**, along with **Tracy Engstrom** (Willmar, Minn./Willmar) and **Winnie Brodt** (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area) also scored in the opening 20 minutes.

Megan Milbert (South St. Paul, Minn./South St. Paul) scored her first goal of the season as Minnesota took a 6-0 lead in the second period. **Schmidgall** and **Courtney Kennedy** scored in the third period, sandwiching goals around **Linnea Carlson's** goal for the Gusties at 15:27.

Crystal Nicholas (Tulsa, Okla./Union) stopped 10 of 11 shots to record her fourth consecutive win.

SCORING SPREE—With Thursday's five-point effort, **Jenny Schmidgall** has already scored 25 points in just nine games. Her two goals gave her 13 on the season and she has also chipped in with a dozen assists.

Over her last four games, the 1998 Olympian has six goals and eight assists for 14 points.

SHUTOUT STRING ENDS—First-year goalie **Crystal Nicholas** won her fourth consecutive game Thursday but saw her shutout streak come to an end.

After stopping 20 shots without allowing a goal in her first three games, **Nicholas** ran her streak of shutout minutes to 235 before Gustavus' **Linnea Carlson** scored with 4:33 to play in the game.

With the 8-1 win, **Nicholas** is now 4-0-0 with an 0.25 goals against average and a .968 save percentage.

LIKE A ROCK—The goaltending of **Erica Killewald** (Troy, Mich./Troy) and **Crystal Nicholas** has been outstanding for the Gophers this season.

As the team's number-one goalie, **Killewald** has not allowed more than two goals in six starts this season, boasting a 1.41 goals against average and a .943 save percentage, including marks of 1.48 and .953 versus ranked opponents this season.

The duo has combined to allow just 10 goals in 10 games and only Harvard, which scored an empty-net goal, has scored more than two goals in a game against Minnesota this season.

BREKKEN LEAVES TEAM—Sophomore center **Matty Brekken** (Devils Lake, N.D./Devils Lake) has decided to leave the University of Minnesota at the end of the quarter and will not return to the team.

Gopher head coach **Laura Halldorson** stated that **Brekken** was leaving the team for personal reasons to be with her family.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 2-2-2-2-2

Brekken, who did not play in Thursday's win over Gustavus, scored four goals and 11 points in nine games this season. During her two seasons at Minnesota, she scored 17 goals and registered 37 points in 38 games.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore blueliner **Winnie Brodt** will play for Team USA at the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

The tournament gets underway Thursday as the United States faces Canada in a rematch of the 1998 Olympic gold medal game. The U.S. will then face Finland Friday, Canada again Monday and Finland again Tuesday before returning home Dec. 16.

Schmidgall, who played in the 1998 Olympics, and **Brodt**, a member of the 1996 U.S. Women's Select Team, were chosen from the USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and will be joined by Gopher head coach **Laura Halldorson**, who will serve as the team's assistant coach, as part of the USA contingent.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting an 88-83-13 overall record and a 29-8-4 mark at Minnesota.

She began her coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival. In December, she will serve as an assistant for the U.S. National team that competes in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Halldorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 14-3-4 in the five-year-old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets underway at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster **Frank Mazzocco** will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star **Tom Reid** does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season, beginning Nov. 27 with the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

KKMS broadcast the Nov. 27-28 games from Princeton's Hobe Baker Rink and will carry Minnesota's Jan. 29-30 games from the Towse Center at the University of New Hampshire Invitational.

Additionally, KKMS will carry four home games: Feb. 5 versus Cornell; Feb. 7 versus Minnesota State, Mankato; Feb. 21 versus Providence; and Feb. 26 versus Brown.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball standout **Sarah Pearman** handling the color commentary.

GONE POLLING—Following its Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational title, Minnesota moved up one spot to fourth in both the *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* and *U.S. College Hockey Online* polls last week. New Hampshire held onto the top spot in both polls.

USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll (Dec. 1, 1998)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. New Hampshire (5)	5-0-3	25	1
2. Brown	2-0-2	20	2
3. Harvard	5-1-0	12	3
4. Minnesota	7-1-1	8	5
5. Northeastern Providence	6-1-2	5	4
	4-1-2	5	NR

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Nov. 30, 1998)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. New Hampshire (7)	5-0-3	93	1
2. Brown (2)	3-0-3	92	3
3. Harvard (1)	5-1-0	84	2
4. Minnesota	5-1-1	70	5
5. Northeastern	3-1-2	58	4
6. Providence	3-1-2	53	6
7. Dartmouth	4-2-1	33	8
8. Princeton	5-3-0	31	7

Also receiving votes: Cornell 6.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 3-3-3-3

UP NEXT—Minnesota returns to action for the final time in 1998, Dec. 18-20, when it takes part in the Manitoba Invitational at the Max Bell Centre in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The Gophers will take on Manitoba Friday, Dec. 18, at 7 p.m., and the University of Alberta Saturday, Dec. 19, at 11 a.m. The championship game is slated for Sunday, Dec. 20, at 11 a.m.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 15-for-46 (32.6%) on the power play after going 2-for-3 versus Gustavus. The Gophers' 46 power plays have resulted in 67:02 of power-play time and they average a goal every 4:28 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	9	2	6	8	14	.143
Kris Scholz	10	2	6	8	6	.333
Nadine Muzerall	9	4	3	7	15	.267
Emily Buchholz	10	1	4	5	3	.333
Courtney Kennedy	9	3	1	4	10	.300
Brittney Ralph	9	1	2	3	7	.143
Shannon Kennedy	9	0	2	2	3	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Amber Hegland	10	1	0	1	2	.500
Laura Slominski	9	1	0	1	2	.500
Winnie Brodt	9	0	0	0	4	.000
Angela Borek	9	0	0	0	2	.000
Ambria Thomas	8	0	0	0	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	10	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	6	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	4	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	10	15	26	41	74	.186
Opponents	10	3	6	9	32	.094

THE PENALTY KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 27-for-30 (90.0%) killing penalties with their opponents having spent 51:31 on the power play, averaging a goal every 17:10. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	9	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	9	0	0	0	3	.000
Shannon Kennedy	9	0	0	0	2	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Brittney Ralph	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	10	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Laura Slominski	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	6	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	10	2	0	2	16	.125
Opponents	10	0	0	0	3	.000

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

Overall Record: 8-1-1

Home: 2-1-1

Away: 4-0-0

Neutral: 2-0-0

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.	+/-	Pen-Min	PP	SH	FG	GW	GT	OT	HT
Jenny Schmidgall	9	13	12	25	57	.228	+19	1- 2	2	0	2	1	1	0	1
Nadine Muzerall	9	10	10	20	50	.200	+17	4- 8	4	2	2	0	0	0	1
Kris Scholz	10	6	11	17	34	.176	+10	1- 2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	9	2	10	12	20	.100	+15	1- 2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+8	2- 4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Britttny Ralph	9	3	8	11	19	.158	+15	1- 2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amber Hegland	10	5	5	10	23	.217	+10	1- 2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Laura Slominski	9	3	7	10	22	.136	+15	0- 0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	10	1	9	10	19	.053	+15	6- 12	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	9	6	3	9	19	.316	+12	1- 2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	9	4	4	8	25	.160	+10	5- 10	3	0	1	1	0	0	0
Ambria Thomas	8	2	3	5	11	.182	+10	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winnny Brodt	9	2	2	4	19	.105	+16	3- 6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	9	1	2	3	8	.125	+7	3- 6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	9	1	2	3	10	.100	+7	2- 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	9	0	3	3	6	.000	+11	1- 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	4	1	2	3	7	.143	+2	1- 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	7	1	1	2	9	.111	0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	10	1	0	1	11	.091	+5	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	5	1	0	1	11	.091	+3	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	5	0	1	1	9	.000	+14	1- 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	10	67	102	169	405	.165	+226	34- 68	15	2	8	8	1	0	3
Opponents	10	10	12	22	173	.058	----	51-121	3	0	2	1	0	0	0

Score by Periods

Minnesota 22-26-19-0=67
Opponents 2- 4- 4-0=10

Power-Play Efficiency

Minnesota 15 of 46 = 32.6%
Opponents 3 of 30 = 10.0%

Penalty-Kill Efficiency

Minnesota 27 of 30 = 90.0%
Opponents 31 of 46 = 67.4%

Goalie	GP/GS	Minutes	Record	SOG	Saves	Save%	GA	GAA	SO
Crystal Nicholas	4/ 4	240:00	4- 0-0	31	30	.968	1	0.25	3
Erica Killewald	6/ 6	364:36	4- 1-1	141	133	.943	8	1.32	0
TEAM		0:24		1			1		
Totals	10/10	605:00	8- 1-1	173	163	.942	10	0.99	3
Opponents	10/10	605:00	1- 8-1	405	338	.835	67	6.64	0



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 3-5 Big Ten: 0-0

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at South Florida	7 p.m.
19	at Stetson	7 p.m.
28	at Wisconsin*	7 p.m.
30	at Purdue*	7:30 p.m.

January

3	Penn State*	2 p.m.
5	Iowa*	7 p.m.
10	at Michigan*	2 p.m.
15	at Northwestern*	7 p.m.
17	Indiana*	2 p.m.
22	at Michigan State*	7 p.m.
24	at Ohio State*	2 p.m.
29	Illinois*	7 p.m.
31	Northwestern*	2 p.m.

February

5	Michigan*	7 p.m.
12	at Iowa*	7:30 p.m.
14	at Penn State*	2 p.m.
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament	
12-15	at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round	
20-22	at NCAA Regionals	
26-28	at NCAA Final Four	

Home games in **bold** are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



at South Florida
Wednesday, Dec. 16, 7 p.m. (EST)
at Stetson
Saturday, Dec. 19, 7 p.m. (EST)

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The Minnesota women's basketball team (3-5) will be idle this week, concentrating on final exams. The Gophers return to the road next week to play games at South Florida (5-1) and Stetson (2-3). The two games in Florida are the middle two games of a six-game road streak that will last through the remainder of December. With its next win, Minnesota will match its season win total for each of the past three seasons.

PROBABLE STARTERS — Minnesota has started the same lineup for the past six games, going 2-4 with this combination. **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** and **Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparral)** are the two players that have started all eight games for Minnesota. The Gopher probables for the Florida road swing:

Pos.	No.	Name	Cl.	Notes
F	15	Jackie Tate	Fr.	#3 rebounder (5.8 per game)
F	33	Theresa LeCuyer	Jr.	Scored 10+ pts. in 5 of 8 games
C	21	Sonja Robinson	Sr.	Leads Gophers in pts. and rbs.
G	4	Erin Olson	Jr.	16 pts., 9 rbs. vs. Georgetown
G	10	Swantreca Taylor	Sr.	Top Minn. FT shooter (76.9%)

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach Cheryl Littlejohn is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 7-28 (.200) record in her two-year collegiate career. Littlejohn served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. Littlejohn played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT SOUTH FLORIDA — The Bulls are off to one of their best starts in school history, winning seven of their first eight games. South Florida's only blemish was a 74-72 loss to Baylor. The Bulls will play at Florida State next Monday before hosting the Gophers two days later.

Senior forward Sonya Swick is South Florida's leading scorer, tallying 18.3 points per game. She scored 30 points in the Bulls' last game, a 77-67 win over Belmont in the championship game of the Four Queens Shootout in Las Vegas, Nev. Swick is also the leading rebounder at 6.9 rebounds per game. Junior forward Charmin Leslie is averaging 16.0 points per game.

Head coach Jerry Ann Winters is in her third season at South Florida and has compiled a record of 27-36 (.429). Her 15-year NCAA Division I career record is 235-171 (.579).

THE SERIES — Minnesota won the only previous meeting between the two schools, defeating South Florida in Tampa 76-61 on Dec. 17, 1991.

ABOUT STETSON — Stetson is 2-3 this season, winning a road game at Bethune-Cookman (63-39) and a neutral-site game against Prairie View (67-49). The losses have come at South Florida (76-63), at St. Louis (78-62), and at home against nationally ranked Florida (98-76). The Hatters will host a tournament this Friday and Saturday against Alcorn State, Indiana and Wright State, and host Drexel on Thursday, Dec. 17, before hosting the Gophers.

Sophomore guard Cher Dyson leads the Hatters in scoring, averaging 15.4 points per game. The other double-figure scorers for Stetson are sophomore forward Audrey Kull (13.0 points per game) and junior center Nicole Knappmiller (10.2 points per game), who also leads the Hatters with 7.8 rebounds per game.

Head coach Dee Romine is in her sixth season as the coach of the Hatters and has a mark of 74-66 (.529). In her 16th season as a collegiate coach, she has a career record of 196-170 (.536).

THE SERIES — First meeting.

GOPHER REWIND: GEORGETOWN — The Gophers rallied from a 24-point deficit to pull to within five points late in the game before losing 72-65. **Erin Olson (Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell)** scored all 16 of her points in the second half. **Sonja Robinson** had her second double-figure rebounding effort of the season, pulling down 10 caroms. Minnesota fell behind 41-19 at halftime due to 21 percent shooting in the stanza, but rallied to win the second half 46-31 behind 51 percent shooting.

GOPHER REWIND: HOWARD — Minnesota came back from a 12-point deficit with a furious rally, only to be denied victory in the final minute. The Gophers opened with a 14-4 lead but fell cold for the remainder of the half in falling behind to the Lady Bison 25-20. Howard extended the lead to 39-27 midway through the second half before Minnesota went on a 24-13 run to cut the lead to 52-51. The Gophers had three possessions to take the lead but could not score.

ROBINSON CONTINUES STRONG PLAY — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continues to add numbers to her rebounding resume and score critical points for her team. **Sonja Robinson** is 5-10, and normally starts at center against opponents that are four to six inches taller than she is. That has not stopped her from compiling some impressive numbers on the interior for the Gophers. **Robinson** leads the Gophers in scoring at 11.9 points per game and in rebounding at 8.3 rebounds per game. After never scoring more than 15 points in a game before this season, she has scored at least 16 points in a game four times. **Robinson** has either led Minnesota or shared the

lead in rebounds in each of the last six games. **Robinson** has averaged 9.5 rebounds in those six games, and has had at least eight rebounds in every game. She is among the Big Ten's top ten rebounders.

OLSON STEADIES THE POINT — Minnesota did not know when the season started who would be playing the bulk of the minutes at the point guard position. **Erin Olson** has decided that the point guard position will be her domain for the 1998-99 season. The junior transfer from Wyoming has played more minutes (35.3 per game) than any other Gopher. She leads the team in assists (3.6 per game) and is second on the team in rebounds (5.9 per game). Last Friday against Georgetown, **Olson** decided to add scoring to her game. After a scoreless first half, she knocked in 6-of-7 from the field in the second half, including four three-pointers, to finish with a season-high 16 points. **Olson** is now third on the team in scoring (8.5 points per game) and leads the team with a 53.8 shooting percentage from three-point range.

VANDERHEYDEN TRIPLES HER PLEASURE — First-year guard **Cassie VanderHeyden (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis)** has been Minnesota's long-ball threat all season as the team's leader in three-point shots, both made and attempted. **VanderHeyden** showed off that proficiency Friday at Georgetown, knocking down a career-high three triples from beyond the arc. She was fouled on one of the shots and converted the free throw for the rare four-point play. **VanderHeyden** established a new collegiate best with 12 points against the Hoyas, and is tied with **Moneeke Bowden (Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC)** in scoring off the bench at 7.5 points per game.

REBOUNDING ROUNDUP — The Gophers continued their strong rebounding efforts in Washington, D.C., outrebounding both Howard (46-39) and Georgetown (51-46). The difference on both nights came at the offensive end of the floor, as Minnesota had a 16-9 advantage in offensive rebounds against Howard and a 23-17 edge at Georgetown. Minnesota has a rebound margin for the season of +2.3, an improvement from the rebound margin of -2.2 from last season. The Gophers are 1-3 in games that they have outrebounded their opponents, 0-1 when they are even in rebounds, and 2-1 when they lose the battle of the boards. **Sonja Robinson** is Minnesota's top rebounder at 8.3 per game, with 34 of her 66 rebounds coming at the offensive end of the floor. **Erin Olson** is the Gophers' best at the defensive end, collecting 40 rebounds. **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** set a career high with nine rebounds against Howard.

TURNOVER TOPICS — The Gophers are averaging 19.0 turnovers per game, down from 22.2 per game in 1997-98. Minnesota has improved its turnover margin from -3.1 last season to -0.4 this season. Minnesota is 2-1 when they win the battle of the turnovers, 0-1 when they break even, and 1-3 when they lose that battle.

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench continues to be an asset, having outscored the opponents in six of the eight matchups. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 183-109, an 9.0-point surplus per game from their bench. The game-by-game breakdown:

Bench Scoring	MN	OPP	Key Contributor
vs. Illinois St.	31	15	Jackie Tate (10 pts.)
at Hawaii	15	0	Jackie Tate (6 pts.)
vs. Kansas	13	10	Cassie VanderHeyden (8 pts.)
vs. UMass	26	9	Moneeke Bowden (12 pts.)
vs. Bradley	34	24	"Tweet" Blevins (15 pts.)
vs. UNLV	15	18	Moneeke Bowden (7 pts.)
at Howard	16	18	Moneeke Bowden (8 pts.)
at Georgetown	33	15	Cassie VanderHeyden (12 pts.)

SCHEDULE CHANGE — The game time of the Northwestern/Minnesota matchup Jan. 31 at the Sports Pavilion has reverted to 2 p.m. The game will still be shown by Fox Sports Chicago and Midwest Sports Channel at 4 p.m. on a tape-delay basis.

MINNESOTA ON TV — Minnesota will have four games televised locally by Midwest Sports Channel this season. A fifth game will be broadcast on MSC as part of the Fox Sports Chicago package with the Big Ten Conference. The Minnesota broadcast schedule:

Sunday, Jan. 3	vs. Penn State	2 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 5	vs. Iowa	7 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 17	vs. Illinois	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 31	vs. Northwestern (FOX)	4 p.m.*
Sunday, Feb. 21	vs. Wisconsin	2 p.m.

*tape delayed from 2 p.m. start

WHAT'S NEXT — Non-conference action ends for Minnesota in Florida with the two games against South Florida and Stetson. The Gophers open conference play with a two-game trip to Madison, Wis., and West Lafayette, Ind. Minnesota plays at Wisconsin on Monday, Dec. 28, at 7 p.m. and at nationally ranked Purdue on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 7:30 p.m. The Gophers open their conference home schedule Sunday, Jan. 3, at 2 p.m. against Penn State. The Penn State-Minnesota game is the first of five telecasts of Gopher women's basketball on Midwest Sports Channel.

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park (Minn.)
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-10	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
45	Ngozi Okechukwa	C	Fr.	6-3	Anambra, Nigeria/De La Salle (Minn.)
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach:

Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)

Assistant Coaches:

Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson

Coordinator of Basketball Operations:

Robin Hester

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 12/04/98
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(3-5)	(2-1)	(0-3)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(3-5)	(2-1)	(0-3)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10)Tate, Jackie (10)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15)Bowden, Moneeke	(7)Tate, Jackie (7)LeCuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11)Olson, Erin (11)Taylor, Swantreca	(13)Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16)Robinson, Sonja (16)LeCuyer, Theresa	(8)Olson, Erin (8)Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja (9)LeCuyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16)Olson, Erin	(10)Robinson, Sonja

! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic
@ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	2,484	828
AWAY.....	2,588	863
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	8,620	1,078

PLAYER	GP-GS	MIN	AVG	TOTAL			3-POINTERS		FT-FTA	PCT	REBOUNDS			PF-FO	A	TO	BLK	ST	PTS	- AVG						
				FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA			PCT	OFF	DEF								TOP	AVG				
21 Robinson, Sonja	8	8	273	34.1	39	83	.470	0	0	.000	17	26	.654	34	32	66	8.3	21	1	7	9	5	11	95	11.9	
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	8	8	190	23.8	31	73	.425	2	6	.333	23	39	.590	22	22	44	5.5	16	1	8	20	1	8	87	10.9	
04 Olson, Erin	8	6	282	35.3	23	59	.390	7	13	.538	15	21	.714	7	40	47	5.9	18	1	29	26	3	11	68	8.5	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	8	2	153	19.1	21	67	.313	5	12	.417	13	26	.500	12	24	36	4.5	21	0	7	12	3	11	60	7.5	
11 Vanderheyden, Cassi	8	2	122	15.3	21	62	.339	15	48	.313	3	3	1.00	3	8	11	1.4	13	1	13	16	0	7	60	7.5	
15 Tate, Jackie	8	6	212	26.5	13	27	.481	0	0	.000	13	18	.722	17	29	46	5.8	18	0	8	16	3	4	39	4.9	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	7	1	92	13.1	10	39	.256	1	14	.071	9	18	.500	4	7	11	1.6	19	1	8	12	0	4	30	4.3	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	8	7	108	13.5	4	22	.182	1	5	.200	10	13	.769	5	5	10	1.3	10	0	13	10	0	8	19	2.4	
12 Hansen, Mindy	8	0	70	8.8	7	20	.350	0	2	.000	3	7	.429	12	8	20	2.5	10	0	6	5	1	1	17	2.1	
05 Harris, Brandi	8	0	75	9.4	6	27	.222	3	8	.375	1	3	.333	5	7	12	1.5	14	0	3	12	0	3	16	2.0	
35 Schaffer, Erin	1	0	5	5.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	3	1	4	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0	
30 Pickens, Brandy	4	0	10	2.5	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	3	6	.500	0	5	5	1.3	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.8	
54 Bell, Kim	5	0	33	6.6	1	10	.100	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	3	9	12	2.4	5	0	0	8	10	0	2	0.4	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														12	14	26										
Minnesota	8		1625		176	491	.358	34	108	.315	111	184	.603	139	211	350	43.8	166	5	102	152	26	68	497	62.1	
Opponents	8		1625		179	475	.377	24	84	.286	121	177	.684	117	215	332	41.5	151		108	149	37	55	503	62.9	

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	236	256	11	0	0	0	503
Minnesota	200	295	2	0	0	0	497



1998 Minnesota Results

SEPTEMBER

1	Wis.-Green Bay	W, 3-0
4-5	at Naval Academy Tour. (Annapolis, Md.)	
	vs. Virginia	W, 3-2
	vs. Loyola	W, 3-0
	vs. Buffalo	W, 3-0
	vs. Navy	W, 3-0
7	at American	W, 3-2
11-12	Minnesota Nike Invitational	
11	vs. Oregon	W, 3-0
12	vs. Wake Forest	W, 3-0
	vs. Missouri	W, 3-1
18-19	Diet Coke Classic	
18	vs. Rutgers	W, 3-0
19	vs. Auburn	L, 3-2
21	USA Team (exh.)	L, 3-1
25	Penn State *	L, 3-0
26	Ohio State *	W, 3-1

OCTOBER

2	at Iowa *	W, 3-2
3	at Wisconsin *	L, 3-0
9	at Michigan *	L, 3-0
10	at Michigan State *	L, 3-0
16	Northwestern *	W, 3-0
17	Indiana *	W, 3-0
23	at Purdue *	L, 3-2
24	at Illinois *	L, 3-0
30	Wisconsin *	L, 3-1
31	Iowa *	W, 3-0

NOVEMBER

6	Michigan State *	L, 3-1
7	Michigan *	W, 3-1
13	at Ohio State *	L, 3-0
14	at Penn State *	L, 3-0
20	at Indiana *	L, 3-0
21	at Northwestern *	W, 3-0
27	Illinois *	L, 3-1
28	Purdue *	L, 3-2

Home matches in **bold** played at Sports Pavilion

* Big Ten Matches



Minnesota Volleyball 1998

1998 SEASON COMPLETED

17-14 overall

7-13 Big Ten (8th)

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GOLDEN GOPHERS POST FINAL RECORD OF 17-14 — The University of Minnesota volleyball team concluded the 1998 season with a 17-14 overall record, 7-13 and eighth in the Big Ten Conference. The Big Ten was rated the nation's best conference in 1998.

1998 IN REVIEW — The Golden Gophers may have to hold judgement on the final outcome of the 1998 season until perhaps a year or two from now. After all, the 1998 season turned into what may very well be considered the training ground for the Minnesota volleyball teams of the future.

With just one senior and two juniors on the active roster, head coach **Mike Hebert** knew his young charges would be tested under extreme circumstances. The battlegrounds of the Big Ten, the toughest conference in the nation in the 1998 season, was indeed a difficult place to earn battle scars.

Yet that is exactly what the Gophers had to do and the result was a disappointing 7-13 league mark and a 17-14 overall record, just short of earning what would have been Minnesota's third consecutive NCAA tournament berth.

Still the positives from the 1998 season are many. The Gophers were ranked for nine straight weeks in the *USA Today/AVCA* poll, the longest continuous ranking ever for the Minnesota volleyball program. Twice the Gophers notched their highest rank of the season at No. 22.

Individually, the Gophers watched the continued progress of their rising stars, specifically sophomore outside hitter **Nicole Branagh (Orinda, Calif./Miramonte)** and first-year setter **Lindsey Berg (Honolulu, Hawaii/Punahou)**.

Branagh posted a kill average ranked second in the Big Ten and fourth nationally en route to earning first-team all-conference honors. The 6-1 skywalker pounded 579 kills in 1998, the third-best single-season total in Minnesota history. She has 1,057 kills after her first two years with the Gophers, bettering Minnesota and Big Ten career kill leader **Katrien DeDecker's** two-year tally of 1,010 on her way to the record of 2,300 career kills.

Berg cemented herself as the Gophers' setter for the next four years, continuing the fine tradition in Gopher history at that position. **Berg** collected 1,380 assists in her first collegiate season, marking the ninth-best single-season assist total in school history. In addition to her setting talents, **Berg** used a powerful jump serve to lead the Big Ten in service aces with 61.

Minnesota opened the 1998 season with ten straight victories, capturing titles in the Trident Naval Academy Classic and the Minnesota Nike Invitational along the way. The Gophers suffered their first loss of the season in the championship of the Diet Coke Classic in a tough 3-2 match with Auburn.

A match with then No. 1 Penn State was how the Gophers started their conference slate. Minnesota lost, 3-0, to the Nittany Lions, but bounced back to defeat No. 14 Ohio State, 3-1, the next night.

With as many as seven teams from the Big Ten ranked nationally, each and every match in conference play was a challenge. The Gophers enjoyed just one weekend sweep, when they hosted Northwestern and Indiana in mid-October. Life on the road proved to be the biggest stumbling block for the Gophers with wins at Iowa and Northwestern all to show for their travels. At home in the Sports Pavilion, Minnesota went 10-6 for the season, 5-5 in Big Ten play.

1998 GOLDEN GOPHER ROSTER —

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown / High School / College / Club
1	Jill Holmstrom	OH/DS	5-7	So.	RS	Dellwood, Minn. / Mahtomedi / Xavier
2	Lindsey Berg	S	5-8	Fr.	1V	Honolulu, Hawaii / Punahou
3	Yvonne Wichert	OH	5-11	Fr.	1V	Rüsselsheim, Germany / V.C. Wiesbaden
4	Erica Glaser	MB	6-1	So.	2V	Omaha, Neb. / Millard North
5	Lisa Aschenbrenner	OH	6-0	So.	2V	Algonquin, Ill. / Huntley
6	Ali Berres	DS	5-7	Fr.	1V	Naperville, Ill. / Benet Academy
8	Heather Baxter	MB	6-0	So.	2V	Aurora, Ill. / West
9	Linda Shudlick #	MB	6-1	Sr.	RS-1V	Apple Valley, Minn. / Apple Valley / UCLA
10	Stephanie Hagen	MB	6-3	Fr.	1V	Minnetonka, Minn. / Hopkins
11	Sonja Posthuma #	OH	6-0	So.	2V	Sneek, Netherlands / Magister Alvinus
13	Heather Swenson	DS	5-9	Jr.	1V	Brooklyn Park, Minn. / Park Center / Rutgers
14	Susan Shudlick	S	5-10	Jr.	3V	Apple Valley, Minn. / Apple Valley
15	Nicole Branagh	OH	6-1	So.	2V	Orinda, Calif. / Miramonte
16	Morning Song Manning	DS	5-7	So.	SQ	Owyhee, Nev. / Owyhee
18	Jill McDonell	OH	5-10	Sr.	3V	Brooklyn Park, Minn. / Totino-Grace

Head Coach: Dr. Mike Hebert

Assistant Coaches: Maurice Batie, Nao Ikeda, Lynne McDonald

Key: OH - Outside Hitter, MB - Middle Blocker, ST - Setter, DS - Defensive Specialist, V - Varsity Letters Earned, HS - High School, TR - Transfer, # Co-captains

1998 BIG TEN STANDINGS

(As of Dec. 7)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State **	20	0	1.000	32	0	1.000
Wisconsin #	17	3	.850	29	4	.879
Michigan State	15	5	.750	23	7	.767
Illinois #	13	7	.650	22	10	.688
Indiana	9	11	.450	17	14	.548
Ohio State	9	11	.450	17	14	.548
Purdue	8	12	.400	14	15	.483
Minnesota	7	13	.350	17	14	.548
Northwestern	5	15	.250	15	17	.469
Michigan	4	16	.200	12	18	.400
Iowa	3	17	.150	9	20	.310

* Big Ten champions

Still alive in NCAA play

The Big Ten in the NCAA's —

The Big Ten in the First and Second Rounds —

Thurs., Dec. 3	Pepperdine def. Michigan State, 3-2 (at East Lansing, Mich.)
	Ohio State def. Texas Tech, 3-2 (at Gainesville, Fla.)
	Indiana def. Northern Iowa, 3-0 (at Fayetteville, Ark.)

Fri., Dec. 4	Penn State def. Bucknell, 3-0 (at State College, Pa.)
	Wisconsin def. Arkansas-Little Rock, 3-0 (at Madison, Wis.)
	Illinois def. SW Texas State, 3-1 (at Champaign, Ill.)
Sat., Dec. 5	Penn State def. Clemson, 3-0 (at State College, Pa.)
	Wisconsin def. San Diego, 3-0 (at Madison, Wis.)
	Illinois def. Colorado State, 3-0 (at Champaign, Ill.)
	Florida def. Ohio State, 3-1 (at Gainesville, Fla.)
	Arkansas def. Indiana, 3-0 (at Fayetteville, Ark.)

The Big Ten in Regional Competition

Central Regional (at State College, Pa.)

Thurs., Dec. 10 Penn State vs. Louisville
BYU vs. Pacific

Mountain Regional (at Long Beach, Calif.)

Thurs., Dec. 10 Illinois vs. Long Beach State
Stanford vs. Texas

Pacific Regional (at Lincoln, Neb.)

Fri., Dec. 11 Wisconsin vs. UC Santa Barbara
Nebraska vs. Pepperdine

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT — Head coach **Mike Hebert** completed his third season at Minnesota and sports a record of 64-35 (.646) with the Gophers. He has guided the Gophers to consecutive NCAA Tournament in 1996 and 1997. Overall in 23 years of coaching, **Hebert** owns a career mark of 634-292 (.685) and has directed teams to NCAA Tournament appearances in 13 of the last 14 seasons. He is one of just eight active NCAA Division I coaches with over 600 career victories.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** finished their third seasons at Minnesota and fifth on **Mike Hebert's** coaching staff.

BRANAGH NAMED TO ALL-BIG TEN TEAM — Outside hitter **Nicole Branagh** was selected to the 12-player All-Big Ten First Team.

Branagh led the Golden Gophers with 579 kills, the third-highest single-season mark in Minnesota volleyball history. She finished second in the Big Ten with an average of 5.51 kills per game while ranking second in the conference in service aces with 45.

Branagh adds her first-team honor to an honorable mention all-conference award she garnered last season. In her first two seasons with the Gophers, **Branagh** has collected 1,057 career kills. She is the 11th Gopher to tally 1,000 career kills and is on a record pace after two years in the program. Former Gopher **Katrien DeDecker**, who holds the Minnesota and Big Ten record with 2,300 career kills, notched 1,010 kills in her first two season at Minnesota.

Branagh was named to three all-tournament teams during the season, including earning MVP honors in the Minnesota Nike Invitational. She was named the Big Ten Player of the Week for Sept. 14. In compiling her 579 kills, **Branagh** notched 15 matches with over 20 kills and two matches with over 30 kills. Seven times during the season she recorded kill/dig double-doubles.

BRANAGH'S SEASON THIRD IN KILLS — **Nicole Branagh's** 579 kills in 1998 ranked as the third-best single-season kill total in Minnesota history.

Minnesota Single-Season Kills		
1.	Katrien DeDecker (1996)	738
2.	Chris Schaefer (1988)	646
3.	Nicole Branagh (1998)	579

MOVING UP THE RANKS — First-year setter **Lindsey Berg** contributed an excellent season as she continues the Minnesota's excellence at her position. Her 1,380 assists is the ninth-best single-season mark, while that total already places her fifth in career assists.

Minnesota Career Assists		
1.	Sharon Oesterling (1986-89)	6,024
2.	Becky Bauer (1994-97)	5,918
3.	Sue Jackson (1990-93)	5,120

1998 All-Big Ten Volleyball Team		
Lindsay Anderson	OH	Penn State
Nicole Branagh #	OH	Minnesota
Bonnie Bremner *&	S	Penn State
Lauren Cacciamani *&	MH	Penn State
Cristy Chapman	MB	Illinois
Christy Cochran #	OH	Penn State
Ryann Connors	OH	Indiana
Kelly Kennedy *	OH	Wisconsin
Tracey Marshall	OH	Illinois
Colleen Neels *	S	Wisconsin
Rosie Snow	OH	Ohio State
Jenna Wrobel *&%	OH	Michigan State
All-Big Ten Honorable Mention		
Melissa Beitz	S	Illinois
Karen Chase #	OH	Michigan
Sarah Gustin	MB	Michigan State
Bev Krupa	OH	Purdue
Christie Landry	S	Michigan State
Sherisa Livingston	MB	Wisconsin
Carrie Schonveld	OH	Penn State
Betsy Spicer	MB	Illinois
Emily Stout	MB	Penn State
Julie Williams	OH	Iowa
* 1997 First Team		
# 1997 Honorable Mention		
& 1996 First Team		
% 1995 First Team		
Newcomer of the Year — Sherisa Livingston, Wisconsin		
Player of the Year — Bonnie Bremner, Penn State		
Coach of the Year — Russ Rose, Penn State		

4.	Jennie Collings (1983-86)	2,115
5.	Lindsey Berg (1998)	1,380

McDONELL THE ONLY SENIOR — The Gophers will graduate just one player, senior outside hitter **Jill McDonell** (**Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace**). **McDonell** earned three varsity letters and played in 111 matches during her career.

HAGEN HAS IMPRESSIVE ROOKIE SEASON — First-year middle blocker **Stephanie Hagen** (**Minnetonka, Minn./Hopkins**) led the Gophers in total blocks with 101. She was also an offensive threat, posting a team-high .309 attack percentage, making her the ninth Gopher to hit for over a .300 percentage in a single season. **Hagen** was fourth on the team with 228 kills.

CARRYING THE LOAD — The Golden Gophers often featured a sextet of first and second-year players on the court during the 1998 season. The sophomore class, highlighted by All-Big Ten performer **Nicole Branagh** and her team-leading 579 kills, contributed 61 percent (1096/1810 kills) of the Gophers' firepower on offense. The first-year players added 36 percent (649/1810 kills), topped by **Yvonne Wichert's** (Rüsselsheim, Germany / V.C. Wiesbaden) 321 kills. The two classes together combined for a whopping 97 percent of the Gopher putaways on offense.

THE BIG GUN — Gopher leading hitter **Nicole Branagh** put up big numbers in the kills category. Averaging 5.51 kills per game, **Branagh** amassed 579 kills, tallying 15 20-plus kills matches along the way. She finished second in the Big Ten in kills per game behind Michigan State's Jenna Wrobel and fourth nationally.

DEALIN' ACES — Minnesota led the Big Ten in service aces per game. The serving of **Nicole Branagh** and **Lindsey Berg** were the reason behind the Gophers' top-ranked status. **Berg** led the Big Ten with 61 aces (0.57 apg). **Branagh** was second with 45 aces (0.43 apg).

INTERNATIONAL FLAIR — The pair of Europeans on the Gopher roster provided more than international flair to the starting lineup. Outside hitters **Yvonne Wichert** of Germany and **Sonja Posthuma** (Sneek, Netherlands / **Magister Alvinus**) ranked second and third, respectively, on the team in kills. **Wichert** averaged 3.12 kills per game. **Posthuma**, a co-captain, contributed 2.73 kills and a team-best 2.48 digs per game.

MASH UNIT — Senior co-captain **Linda Shudlick** (Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley) missed the 1998 season due to a knee injury suffered in spring practice last April. **Shudlick**, a middle blocker, tore the anterior cruciate ligament of her left knee during a blocking drill and underwent surgery in May. She will be eligible for the 1999 season.

Junior **Jill Holmstrom** (Dellwood, Minn./Mahtomedi) also missed the season after surgery on her right shoulder. **Holmstrom** joined the Gophers this season as a transfer from Xavier.

GOPHERS IN THE NATIONAL STATS —

Nicole Branagh	4th	Kills	5.51
Lindsey Berg	12th	Service Aces	0.57

GOPHERS IN THE BIG TEN STATS —

Lindsey Berg	1st	Service Aces	0.57
	5th	Assists	12.90
Nicole Branagh	2nd	Kills	5.51
	2nd	Service Aces	0.43

MINNESOTA IN THE BIG TEN STATS —

Hitting Percentage	.255	4th
Kills	16.31	6th
Assists	14.56	6th
Service Aces	1.89	1st
Blocks	2.13	8th
Digs	12.95	9th

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	10-6
Road matches	4-8
Neutral site matches	3-0
In three-game matches	11-8
In four-game matches	3-3
In five-game matches	3-3
Record winning the first game	13-2
Record winning first two games	11-0
Record losing first game	4-11
Record losing first two games	0-10
Record vs. ranked opponents	1-8

TEAM SEASON HIGHS

- Kills — 87 vs. Purdue (11-28)
- Errors — 36 vs. Iowa (10-2)
- Total Attempts — 216 vs. Purdue (11-28)
- Attack Percentage — .556 vs. Buffalo (9-5)
- Assists — 81 vs. Purdue (10-23)
- Service Aces — 12 vs. 14 vs. Wis.-Green Bay (9-1)
12 vs. Michigan (11-7)
- Service Errors — 17 vs. American (9-7)
- Reception Errors — 15 vs. Ohio State (9-26)
- Digs — 78 vs. Illinois (11-27)
- Block Solos — 6 vs. Purdue (11-28)
- Block Assists — 32 vs. American (9-7)
- Total Blocks — 18 vs. American (9-7)

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

- Kills — 32, Yvonne Wichert vs. American (9-7)
32, Nicole Branagh vs. Iowa (10-2)
- Attempts — 75, Nicole Branagh vs. Iowa (10-2)
75, Nicole Branagh vs. Illinois (11-27)
- Attack Pct. — .917, Erica Glaser (11-0-1) vs. Missouri (9-12)
- Assists — 75, Lindsey Berg vs. Purdue (10-23)
- Service Aces — 6, Yvonne Wichert vs. Michigan (11-7)
- Digs — 19, Sonja Posthuma vs. Illinois (11-27)
- Block Solos — 4, Stephanie Hagen vs. Ohio State (9-26)
- Block Assists — 9, Stephanie Hagen vs. American (9-7)
- Total Blocks — 10, Stephanie Hagen vs. American (9-7)

THE GOPHERS IN THE NATIONAL POLL — Minnesota was ranked in the top 25 for nine consecutive weeks during the 1998 regular season. The Gophers' highest ranking was No. 22 two times during the season. The following is a week-by-week recap of the Gophers' ranking in the *USA Today* / AVCA Top 25 poll:

Preseason		Received Votes
Poll #1	Sept. 8	Received Votes
Poll #2	Sept. 15	No. 25
Poll #3	Sept. 22	No. 24
Poll #4	Sept. 29	No. 22
Poll #5	Oct. 6	No. 22
Poll #6	Oct. 13	No. 25
Poll #7	Oct. 20	No. 24
Poll #8	Oct. 27	No. 25
Poll #9	Nov. 3	No. 23
Poll #10	Nov. 10	No. 25
Poll #11	Nov. 17	Received Votes
Poll #12 (Final)	Nov. 24	Not Ranked

LONG BEACH STATE STAYS AT NO. 1 IN USA TODAY / AVCA TOP 25 COACHES POLL —

Poll #12 (Nov. 24/FINAL)	Points	Record	Lt. Wk
1. Long Beach State (36)	1476	27-0	1
2. Penn State (24)	1484	28-0	2
3. Nebraska	1310	26-1	3
4. Florida	1301	29-2	5
5. Stanford	1252	24-3	4
6. BYU	1233	26-2	6
7. Hawaii	1158	26-2	7
8. Wisconsin	1049	25-4	8
9. USC	1030	21-4	11
10. Pacific	989	22-5	9
11. UC Santa Barbara	913	24-5	10
12. Texas	846	22-4	12
13. Arkansas	779	26-3	13
14. Michigan State	721	22-6	14
15. UCLA	580	14-11	16
16. San Diego	520	22-4	18
17. Colorado	511	20-6	15
18. Texas A&M	502	18-8	22
19. Arizona	453	21-6	19
20. Kansas State	365	18-9	17
21. Illinois	312	18-10	20
22. Texas Tech	224	21-10	24
23. Louisville	194	26-4	23
24. Northern Iowa	90	25-2	25
25. Loyola Marymount	82	18-8	21

Others receiving points: Florida State (35), Santa Clara (32), Pepperdine (27), Oral Roberts (13), Fairfield (10), Ball State (8), Sacramento State (8), North Carolina (7), Indiana (5), Colorado State (4), UNLV (4), Northern Illinois (3), South Carolina (3), American (1), Illinois State (1), Miami OH (1), Minnesota (1), South Florida (1), Southwest Texas State (1).

ATTENDANCE RANKED 12TH — Minnesota ranked 12th nationally in attendance figures, compiled through the end of the regular season. The Gophers averaged 1,629 fans per match. The biggest crowd of the season was 3,594 against Wisconsin on Oct. 30, the second-biggest crowd in Sports Pavilion history.

MINNESOTA ATTENDANCE RECORDS

All matches at Williams Arena except where noted

1.	6,046	vs. Purdue	9/28/90
2.	6,002	vs. Notre Dame *	12/10/93
3.	5,011	vs. Ohio State	11/11/89
4.	4,969	vs. Colorado *	12/2/89
5.	3,881	vs. Illinois %	10/24/97
6.	3,869	vs. Michigan State	11/10/90
7.	3,594	vs. Wisconsin %	10/30/98
8.	3,514	vs. Illinois %	11/1/96
9.	3,152	vs. Michigan State %	11/21/97
10.	2,770	vs. Penn State %	11/7/97

* NCAA tournament

% Match played at Sports Pavilion

Sports Pavilion record

WITH THE CAMERAS ROLLING — Minnesota had four matches televised this season. The Gophers were 2-2 with the cameras rolling, defeating nationally ranked Ohio State on Sept. 27 (MSC), and Northwestern, 3-0, in an ESPN match on Oct. 16, before losing to No. 8 Wisconsin on Oct. 30 (MSC) and Purdue on Nov. 28 (MSC).

KKMS PROVIDED RADIO BROADCASTS — Eight of Minnesota's regular-season matches were broadcast by KKMS Radio (980 AM). Paul Barnes provided the play-by-play and teamed with former Gopher player Sarah Pearman or Sports Information Director Becky Bohm on the broadcasts.

University of Minnesota Volleyball
Minnesota Combined Team Statistics (FINAL)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	{ 17-14 }	{ 10-6 }	{ 4-8 }	{ 3-0 }
CONFERENCE.....	{ 7-13 }	{ 5-5 }	{ 2-8 }	{ 0-0 }
NON-CONFERENCE.....	{ 10-1 }	{ 5-1 }	{ 2-0 }	{ 3-0 }

## SUMMARY (by ##)	G	ATTACK				Pct	Set		SERVE			DIG			BLOCKING			BE	BHE	
		K	K/Game	E	TA		A	A/Game	SA	SE	SA/Gm	RE	DIG	Dig/G	BS	BA	Total			B/Game
15 Nicole Branagh	105	579	5.51	190	1376	.283	15	0.14	45	77	0.43	51	236	2.25	7	47	54	0.51	10	3
3 Yvonne Wichert	103	321	3.12	168	782	.196	19	0.18	34	44	0.33	30	200	1.94	6	30	36	0.35	4	1
11 Sonja Posthuma	108	295	2.73	110	639	.290	74	0.69	12	46	0.11	63	268	2.48	8	48	56	0.52	5	2
10 Stephanie Hagen	108	228	2.11	69	515	.309	11	0.10	5	4	0.05	6	47	0.44	21	80	101	0.94	4	2
8 Heather Baxter	81	125	1.54	55	302	.232	8	0.10	6	19	0.07	0	105	1.30	13	59	72	0.89	19	0
2 Lindsey Berg	107	98	0.92	46	267	.195	1380	12.90	61	56	0.57	2	227	2.12	3	39	42	0.39	11	26
4 Erica Glaser	58	86	1.48	33	165	.321	0	0.00	3	11	0.05	2	19	0.33	9	27	36	0.62	4	1
18 Jill McDonell	97	62	0.64	35	181	.149	21	0.22	12	15	0.12	19	113	1.16	1	5	6	0.06	4	1
5 Lisa Aschenbrenner	23	11	0.48	9	38	.053	7	0.30	1	2	0.04	4	18	0.78	0	3	3	0.13	1	0
14 Susan Shudlick	74	2	0.03	4	8	-.250	69	0.93	13	24	0.18	3	70	0.95	1	0	1	0.01	1	0
6 Ali Berres	77	2	0.03	1	4	.250	9	0.12	14	13	0.18	5	114	1.48	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
13 Heather Swenson	20	1	0.05	0	1	1.000	3	0.15	3	4	0.15	1	13	0.65	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
0 Team	0	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	9	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
16 Morning Song Manning	12	0	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	1	2	0.08	1	10	0.83	0	0	0	0.00	0	0
Total.....	111	1810	16.31	720	4278	.255	1616	14.56	210	317	1.89	196	1440	12.97	69	338	238.0	2.14	63	36
Opponents.....	111	1674	15.08	686	4184	.236	1530	13.78	196	324	1.77	216	1384	12.47	72	398	271.0	2.44	57	36

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
ATTACK.....			9-1-98	WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY	W	3-0	699
Kills.....	1810	1674	9-4-98	vs Virginia	W	3-2	313
Errors.....	720	686	9-5-98	vs Loyola (Md.)	W	3-0	300
Total Attacks.....	4278	4184	9-5-98	vs Buffalo	W	3-0	300
Attack Pct.....	.255	.236	9-5-98	at Navy	W	3-0	250
Kills/Game.....	16.3	15.1	9-7-98	at American	W	3-2	172
SET.....			9-11-98	OREGON	W	3-0	881
Assists.....	1616	1530	9-12-98	WAKE FOREST	W	3-0	1008
Assists/Game.....	14.6	13.8	9-12-98	MISSOURI	W	3-1	1008
SERVE.....			9-18-98	RUTGERS	W	3-0	1733
Aces.....	210	196	9-19-98	AUBURN	L	2-3	1901
Errors.....	317	324	*9-25-98	#1 PENN STATE	L	0-3	2372
Aces/Game.....	1.9	1.8	*9-26-98	#14 OHIO STATE	W	3-1	1397
SERVE RECEPTIONS.....			*10-2-98	at Iowa	W	3-2	419
Errors.....	196	216	*10-3-98	at #6 Wisconsin	L	0-3	3605
Errors/Game.....	1.8	1.9	*10-9-98	at Michigan	L	0-3	883
DEFENSE.....			*10-10-98	at #23 Michigan State	L	0-3	1402
Digs.....	1440	1384	*10-16-98	NORTHWESTERN	W	3-0	2006
Digs/Game.....	13.0	12.5	*10-17-98	INDIANA	W	3-0	1639
BLOCKING.....			*10-23-98	at Purdue	L	2-3	1413
Block Solo.....	69	72	*10-24-98	at #18 Illinois	L	0-3	2210
Block Assist.....	338	398	*10-30-98	#8 WISCONSIN	L	1-3	3594
Total Blocks.....	238.0	271.0	*11-1-98	IOWA	W	3-0	985
Blocks Per Game.....	2.1	2.4	*11-6-98	#16 MICHIGAN STATE	L	1-3	2029
Block Errors.....	63	57	*11-7-98	MICHIGAN	W	3-1	1801
BALL HANDLING ERRORS.....	36	36	*11-13-98	at Ohio State	L	0-3	626
ATTENDANCE.....			*11-14-98	at #2 Penn State	L	0-3	6229
Total.....	26069	18987	*11-20-98	at Indiana	L	0-3	1022
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	16/1629	12/1582	*11-21-98	at Northwestern	W	3-0	756
Neutral site #/Avg.....	3/304		*11-27-98	#21 ILLINOIS	L	1-3	1454
			*11-28-98	PURDUE	L	2-3	1562

* denotes conference game

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The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Dec. 13-24

SW/D Training Trip
Swimmers: Maui, Hawaii
Divers: Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Wednesday, Dec. 16

BB at South Florida 6 p.m.

Friday-Sunday, Dec. 18-20

HO at Manitoba Tournament
18 vs. Manitoba 7 p.m.
19 vs. Alberta 11 a.m.
20 Championship Game 11 a.m.

Saturday, Dec. 19

BB at Stetson 6 p.m.

All times central

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What's Coming Up

Hockey

- No. 4 Golden Gophers travel to University of Manitoba Tournament, Dec. 18-20

Basketball

- Minnesota plays South Florida and Stetson in Florida to close its non-conference schedule

Gopher Highlights

No Competition Due to Final Exams, Dec. 7-12

Women's Athletics

- 15 Golden Gophers earn fall Academic All-Big Ten honors

Volleyball

- Nicole Branagh named first-team all-district

GOPHERS EARN ACADEMIC ALL-BIG TEN HONORS

Cross country athletes **Elaine Eggleston** and **Deb Hudleston** top the list of 15 University of Minnesota fall sport women student-athletes honored as Academic All-Big Ten selections. To earn academic honors, athletes must be a letterwinner in at least the second year at their institution and carry a career grade point average of 3.0 or better.

Eggleston, a sophomore from Roseville majoring in pre-veterinary studies and biology, earned All-Big Ten and All-Midwest Region honors this fall. **Hudleston**, a sophomore from Minneapolis majoring in Ecology, Evolution and Behavior, has a career grade point average of 3.99, the highest of Minnesota's 15 fall academic honorees.

Other cross country athletes who earned Academic All-Big Ten honors are senior **Danielle Giusti**, junior **Minna Haronoja**, junior **Gena Johnson**, sophomore **Corinne Nimitz** and senior **Nikki Rassbach**.

First-team All-Big Ten selection **Laurie Seidl** tops the list of soccer Academic All-Big Ten student-athletes. **Seidl**, a sophomore from St. Charles, Ill., has a 3.41 grade point average. Other soccer selections are sophomore **Julie Eibensteiner**, sophomore **Erin Holland**, junior **Erika Kruse**, junior **Noelle Papehnausen** and sophomore **Sara FitzGerald**.

Volleyball student-athletes honored are sophomore **Sonja Posthuma** and sophomore **Lisa Aschenbrenner**.

BRANAGH EARNS ALL-DISTRICT HONORS

University of Minnesota outside hitter **Nicole Branagh** was one of 12 players named to the 1998 American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) All-District 2 Team. The all-district team is eligible for All-America consideration, with first and second team All-America squads announced on Wednesday, Dec. 16.

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Big Ten champion Penn State, ranked No. 2 in the country, landed five players on the District 2 team, including conference player of the year, setter **Bonnie Bremner**. League runner-up Wisconsin and No. 1 Long Beach State were among the 12 teams to have three players honored. **Erin Berg**, the older sister of Gopher setter **Lindsey Berg** and a senior setter at North Carolina, earned All-District 3 honors.

The District 2 team:

Lindsay Anderson	OPP	Penn State
Melissa Beitz	S	Illinois
Nicole Branagh	OH	Minnesota
Bonnie Bremner	S	Penn State
Lauren Cacciamani	MB	Penn State
Christy Cohran	OH	Penn State
Kelly Kennedy	MB	Wisconsin
Sherisa Livingston	MB	Wisconsin
Colleen Neels	S	Wisconsin
Emily Stout	MB	Penn State
Alissia Thompson	MB	Miami (OH)
Jenna Wrobel	OH	Michigan State



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 3-5 Big Ten: 0-0

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at South Florida	7 p.m.
19	at Stetson	7 p.m.
28	at Wisconsin*	7 p.m.
30	at Purdue*	7:30 p.m.

January

3	Penn State*	2 p.m.
5	Iowa*	7 p.m.
10	at Michigan*	2 p.m.
15	at Northwestern*	7 p.m.
17	Indiana*	2 p.m.
22	at Michigan State*	7 p.m.
24	at Ohio State*	2 p.m.
29	Illinois*	7 p.m.
31	Northwestern*	2 p.m.

February

5	Michigan*	7 p.m.
12	at Iowa*	7:30 p.m.
14	at Penn State*	2 p.m.
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament
12-15	at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round
20-22	at NCAA Regionals
26-28	at NCAA Final Four

Home games in **bold** are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



at South Florida
Wednesday, Dec. 16, 7 p.m. (EST)
at Stetson
Saturday, Dec. 19, 7 p.m. (EST)

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The Minnesota women's basketball team (3-5) returns to the road this week to play games at South Florida (7-1) and Stetson (2-5). The two games in Florida are the middle two games of a six-game road streak that will last through the remainder of December. With its next win, Minnesota will match its season win total for each of the past three seasons.

PROBABLE STARTERS — Minnesota has started the same lineup for the past six games, going 2-4 with this combination. **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** and **Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparral)** are the two players that have started all eight games for Minnesota. The Gopher probables for the Florida road swing:

Pos.	No.	Name	Cl.	Notes
F	15	Jackie Tate	Fr.	#3 rebounder (5.8 per game)
F	33	Theresa LeCuyer	Jr.	Scored 10+ pts. in 5 of 8 games
C	21	Sonja Robinson	Sr.	Leads Gophers in pts. and rbs.
G	4	Erin Olson	Jr.	16 pts., 9 rbs. vs. Georgetown
G	10	Swantreca Taylor	Sr.	Top Minn. FT shooter (76.9%)

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach Cheryl Littlejohn is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 7-28 (.200) record in her two-year collegiate career. Littlejohn served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. Littlejohn played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT SOUTH FLORIDA — The Bulls are off to one of their best starts in school history, winning seven of their first eight games. South Florida's only blemish was a 74-72 loss to Baylor. The Bulls will play at Florida State on Monday before hosting the Gophers two days later.

Senior forward Sonya Swick is South Florida's leading scorer, tallying 18.3 points per game. She scored 30 points in the Bulls' last game, a 77-67 win over Belmont in the championship game of the Four Queens Shootout in Las Vegas, Nev. Swick is also the leading rebounder at 6.9 rebounds per game. Junior forward Charmin Leslie is averaging 16.0 points per game.

Head coach Jerry Ann Winters is in her third season at South Florida and has compiled a record of 27-36 (.429). Her 15-year NCAA Division I career record is 235-171 (.579).

THE SERIES — Minnesota won the only previous meeting between the two schools, defeating South Florida in Tampa 76-61 on Dec. 17, 1991.

ABOUT STETSON — Stetson is 2-5 this season, winning a road game at Bethune-Cookman (63-39) and a neutral-site game against Prairie View (67-49). The losses have come at South Florida (76-63), at St. Louis (78-62), and at home against Florida (98-76), Alcorn State (55-69), and Wright State (61-67). The Hatters will host Drexel on Thursday before hosting the Gophers.

Head coach Dee Romine is in her sixth season as the coach of the Hatters and has a mark of 74-68 (.521). In her 16th season as a collegiate coach, she has a career record of 196-172 (.533).

THE SERIES — First meeting.

GOPHER REWIND: GEORGETOWN — The Gophers rallied from a 24-point deficit to pull to within five points late in the game before losing 72-65. **Erin Olson (Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell)** scored all 16 of her points in the second half. **Sonja Robinson** had her second double-figure rebounding effort of the season, pulling down 10 caroms. Minnesota fell behind 41-19 at halftime due to 21 percent shooting in the stanza, but rallied to win the second half 46-31 behind 51 percent shooting.

GOPHER REWIND: HOWARD — Minnesota came back from a 12-point deficit with a furious rally, only to be denied victory in the final minute. The Gophers opened with a 14-4 lead but fell cold for the remainder of the half in falling behind to the Lady Bison 25-20. Howard extended the lead to 39-27 midway through the second half before Minnesota went on a 24-13 run to cut the lead to 52-51. The Gophers had three possessions to take the lead but could not score.

ROBINSON CONTINUES STRONG PLAY — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continues to add numbers to her rebounding resume and score critical points for her team. **Sonja Robinson** is 5-10, and normally starts at center against opponents that are four to six inches taller than she is. That has not stopped her from compiling some impressive numbers on the interior for the Gophers. **Robinson** leads the Gophers in scoring at 11.9 points per game and in rebounding at 8.3 rebounds per game. After never scoring more than 15 points in a game before this season, she has scored at least 16 points in a game four times. **Robinson** has either led Minnesota or shared the lead in rebounds in each of the last six games. **Robinson** has averaged 9.5 rebounds in those six games, and has had at least eight rebounds in every game. She is among the Big Ten's top ten rebounders.

OLSON STEADIES THE POINT — Minnesota did not know when the season started who would be playing the bulk of the minutes at the point guard position. **Erin Olson** has decided that the point guard position will be her domain for the 1998-99 season. The junior transfer from Wyoming has played more minutes (35.3 per game) than any other Gopher. She leads the team in assists (3.6 per game) and is second on the team in rebounds (5.9 per game). Last Friday against Georgetown, **Olson** decided to add scoring to her game. After a scoreless first half, she knocked in 6-of-7 from the field in the second half, including four three-pointers, to finish with a season-high 16 points. **Olson** is now third on the team in scoring (8.5 points per game) and leads the team with a 53.8 shooting percentage from three-point range.

VANDERHEYDEN TRIPLES HER PLEASURE — First-year guard **Cassie VanderHeyden (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis)** has been Minnesota's long-ball threat all season as the team's leader in three-point shots, both made and attempted. **VanderHeyden** showed off that proficiency Friday at Georgetown, knocking down a career-high three triples from beyond the arc. She was fouled on one of the shots and converted the free throw for the rare four-point play. **VanderHeyden** established a new collegiate best with 12 points against the Hoyas, and is tied with **Moneeke Bowden (Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC)** in scoring off the bench at 7.5 points per game.

REBOUNDING ROUNDUP — The Gophers continued their strong rebounding efforts in Washington, D.C., outrebounding both Howard (46-39) and Georgetown (51-46). The difference on both nights came at the offensive end of the floor, as Minnesota had a 16-9 advantage in offensive rebounds against Howard and a 23-17 edge at Georgetown. Minnesota has a rebound margin for the season of +2.3, an improvement from the rebound margin of -2.2 from last season. The Gophers are 1-3 in games that they have outrebounded their opponents, 0-1 when they are even in rebounds, and 2-1 when they lose the battle of the boards. **Sonja Robinson** is Minnesota's top rebounder at 8.3 per game, with 34 of her 66 rebounds coming at the offensive end of the floor. **Erin Olson** is the Gophers' best at the defensive end, collecting 40 rebounds. **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** set a career high with nine rebounds against Howard.

TURNOVER TOPICS — The Gophers are averaging 19.0 turnovers per game, down from 22.2 per game in 1997-98. Minnesota has improved its turnover margin from -3.1 last season to -0.4 this season. Minnesota is 2-1 when they win the battle of the turnovers, 0-1 when they break even, and 1-3 when they lose that battle.

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench continues to be an asset, having outscored the opponents in six of the eight matchups. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 183-109, an 9.0-point surplus per game from their bench. The game-by-game breakdown:

Bench Scoring	MN	OPP	Key Contributor
vs. Illinois St.	31	15	Jackie Tate (10 pts.)
at Hawaii	15	0	Jackie Tate (6 pts.)
vs. Kansas	13	10	Cassie VanderHeyden (8 pts.)
vs. UMass	26	9	Moneeke Bowden (12 pts.)
vs. Bradley	34	24	"Tweet" Blevins (15 pts.)
vs. UNLV	15	18	Moneeke Bowden (7 pts.)
at Howard	16	18	Moneeke Bowden (8 pts.)
at Georgetown	33	15	Cassie VanderHeyden (12 pts.)

SCHEDULE CHANGE — The game time of the Northwestern/Minnesota matchup Jan. 31 at the Sports Pavilion has reverted to 2 p.m. The game will still be shown by Fox Sports Chicago and Midwest Sports Channel at 4 p.m. on a tape-delay basis.

MINNESOTA ON TV — Minnesota will have four games televised locally by Midwest Sports Channel this season. A fifth game will be broadcast on MSC as part of the Fox Sports Chicago package with the Big Ten Conference. The Minnesota broadcast schedule:

Sunday, Jan. 3	vs. Penn State	2 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 5	vs. Iowa	7 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 17	vs. Illinois	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 31	vs. Northwestern (FOX)	4 p.m.*
Sunday, Feb. 21	vs. Wisconsin	2 p.m.

*tape delayed from 2 p.m. start

WHAT'S NEXT — Non-conference action ends for Minnesota in Florida with the two games against South Florida and Stetson. The Gophers open conference play with a two-game trip to Madison, Wis., and West Lafayette, Ind. Minnesota plays at Wisconsin on Monday, Dec. 28, at 7 p.m. and at nationally ranked Purdue on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at 7:30 p.m. The Gophers open their conference home schedule Sunday, Jan. 3, at 2 p.m. against Penn State. The Penn State-Minnesota game is the first of five telecasts of Gopher women's basketball on Midwest Sports Channel.

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park (Minn.)
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-10	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
45	Ngozi Okechukwa	C	Fr.	6-3	Anambra, Nigeria/De La Salle (Minn.)
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach: Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)
 Assistant Coaches: Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson
 Coordinator of Basketball Operations: Robin Hester

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SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 12/04/98
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(3-5)	(2-1)	(0-3)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(3-5)	(2-1)	(0-3)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10)Tate, Jackie (10)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15)Bowden, Moneeke	(7)Tate, Jackie (7)LeCuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11)Olson, Erin (11)Taylor, Swantreca	(13)Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16)Robinson, Sonja (16)LeCuyer, Theresa	(8)Olson, Erin (8)Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja (9)LeCuyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16)Olson, Erin	(10)Robinson, Sonja

! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic
@ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	2,484	828
AWAY.....	2,588	863
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	8,620	1,078

PLAYER	GP-GS	MIN	TOTAL			3-POINTERS			REBOUNDS			PF-FO	A	TO	BLK	ST	PTS	- AVG								
			FG	FGA	PCT	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT								OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG				
21 Robinson, Sonja	8	8	273	34.1	39	83	.470	0	0	.000	17	26	.654	34	32	66	8.3	21	1	7	9	5	11	95	11.9	
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	8	8	190	23.8	31	73	.425	2	6	.333	23	39	.590	22	22	44	5.5	16	1	8	20	1	8	87	10.9	
04 Olson, Erin	8	6	282	35.3	23	59	.390	7	13	.538	15	21	.714	7	40	47	5.9	18	1	29	26	3	11	68	8.5	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	8	2	153	19.1	21	67	.313	5	12	.417	13	26	.500	12	24	36	4.5	21	0	7	12	3	11	60	7.5	
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	8	2	122	15.3	21	62	.339	15	48	.313	3	3	1.00	3	8	11	1.4	13	1	13	16	0	7	60	7.5	
15 Tate, Jackie	8	6	212	26.5	13	27	.481	0	0	.000	13	18	.722	17	29	46	5.8	18	0	8	16	3	4	39	4.9	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	7	1	92	13.1	10	39	.256	1	14	.071	9	18	.500	4	7	11	1.6	19	1	8	12	0	4	30	4.3	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	8	7	108	13.5	4	22	.182	1	5	.200	10	13	.769	5	5	10	1.3	10	0	13	10	0	8	19	2.4	
12 Hansen, Mindy	8	0	70	8.8	7	20	.350	0	2	.000	3	7	.429	12	8	20	2.5	10	0	6	5	1	1	17	2.1	
05 Harris, Brandi	8	0	75	9.4	6	27	.222	3	8	.375	1	3	.333	5	7	12	1.5	14	0	3	12	0	3	16	2.0	
35 Schaffer, Erin	1	0	5	5.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	3	1	4	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0	
30 Pickens, Brandy	4	0	10	2.5	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	3	6	.500	0	5	5	1.3	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.8	
54 Bell, Kim	5	0	33	6.6	1	10	.100	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	3	9	12	2.4	5	0	0	8	10	0	2	0.4	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														12	14	26										
Minnesota	8		1625		176	491	.358	34	108	.315	111	184	.603	139	211	350	43.8	166	5	102	152	26	68	497	62.1	
Opponents	8		1625		179	475	.377	24	84	.286	121	177	.684	117	215	332	41.5	151		108	149	37	55	503	62.9	

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	236	256	11	0	0	0	503
Minnesota	200	295	2	0	0	0	497

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Overall Record: 8-1-1

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1
7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1
27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2
28 Princeton@ W, 3-1
29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1
18 Manitoba# 7:00 p.m.
19 Alberta# 11:00 a.m.
20 Championship Game# 11:00 a.m.

January

9 St. Cloud State 7:00 p.m.
15 St. Lawrence\$ 5:00 p.m.
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 8:00 p.m.
17 Toronto\$ 5:00 p.m.
22 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.
23 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.
29 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 5:00 p.m.
30 New Hampshire\$ 2:30 p.m.
31 Beatrice Aeros\$ 12:00 p.m.

February

5 Cornell 7:00 p.m.
6 Cornell 7:00 p.m.
7 Minnesota State, Mankato 3:00 p.m.
13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.
14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.
20 Providence 2:30 p.m.
21 Providence 1:00 p.m.
26 Brown 7:00 p.m.
27 Brown 7:00 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA
22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.
26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena
All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge
@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational
#—Manitoba Tournament
\$—Lake Placid Tournament
%—New Hampshire Tournament

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December 14, 1998



University of Manitoba Invitational

#4 Minnesota vs. Manitoba
December 18, 1998, 7 p.m.

#4 Minnesota vs. Alberta
December 19, 1998, 10 a.m.

Championship Game
December 20, 1998, 11 a.m.

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota ends a 15-day layoff this weekend when it takes part in the University of Manitoba Invitational, Dec. 18-20, at the Max Bell Centre in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fourth-ranked Gophers extended their winning streak to seven games with an 8-1 win over Gustavus Adolphus, Dec. 3, at Mariucci Arena.

Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina) had a career-high five points, scoring a pair of goals, while sisters **Courtney** and **Shannon Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham Browne and Nichols)** both contributed three points.

Shannon Kennedy, a junior left wing, opened the scoring at 4:35 of the opening period, kicking off a five-goal barrage that culminated with **Courtney Kennedy** scoring on the power play at 15:48. **Schmidgall**, along with **Tracy Engstrom (Willmar, Minn./Willmar)** and **Winnie Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** also scored in the opening 20 minutes.

Megan Milbert (South St. Paul, Minn./South St. Paul) scored her first goal of the season as Minnesota took a 6-0 lead in the second period. **Schmidgall** and **Courtney Kennedy** scored in the third period, sandwiching goals around Linnea Carlson's goal for the Gusties at 15:27.

Crystal Nicholas (Tulsa, Okla./Union) stopped 10 of 11 shots to record her fourth consecutive win.

MANITOBA RECENTLY—The Bisons have been off since defeating the College of St. Benedict 12-0 in Winnipeg, Dec. 5.

Manitoba scored five times in the game's first seven minutes, including four goals in 1:58. The Bisons got two-goal efforts from Amber Rommelaere, Michelle Munroe, Trish Faurschou and Karen Mamchuk while outshooting the Blazers, members of the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, 51-11. With the win, Manitoba is now 10-4-1 overall and 3-2-1 versus varsity opponents.

ALBERTA RECENTLY—The Pandas had the weekend off after splitting a home series with Calgary, Dec. 4-5.

Alberta scored twice in the opening period and added three more in the second period before coasting to a 6-1 win in the series opener. The Pandas got goals from Tonya d'Entremont, Lisa Kearns, Tara Klassen, Mandy Kinjerski and Susan Huculak in the win.

Calgary came back Saturday, however, to grab a 1-0 win and the series split, dropping Alberta back to .500 on the season at 7-7-3.

SCORING SPREE—With her five-point effort against Gustavus, **Jenny Schmidgall** has already scored 25 points in just nine games. Her two goals gave her

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13 on the season and she has also chipped in with a dozen assists.

Over her last four games, the 1998 Olympian has six goals and eight assists for 14 points.

SHUTOUT STRING ENDS—First-year goalie **Crystal Nicholas** won her fourth consecutive game against the Gusties but saw her shutout streak come to an end.

After stopping 20 shots without allowing a goal in her first three games, **Nicholas** ran her streak of shutout minutes to 235 before Gustavus' Linnea Carlson scored with 4:33 to play in the game.

With the 8-1 win, **Nicholas** is now 4-0-0 with an 0.25 goals against average and a .968 save percentage.

LIKE A ROCK—The goaltending of **Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy)** and **Crystal Nicholas** has been outstanding for the Gophers this season.

As the team's number-one goalie, **Killewald** has not allowed more than two goals in six starts this season, boasting a 1.41 goals against average and a .943 save percentage, including marks of 1.48 and .953 versus ranked opponents this season.

The duo has combined to allow just 10 goals in 10 games and only Harvard, which scored an empty-net goal, has scored more than two goals in a game against Minnesota this season.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore blueliner **Winnie Brodt** are current playing for the U.S. Women's Select Team at the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

The tournament got underway Thursday, Dec. 10, with Canada taking a 2-1 win over the United States. Friday, the U.S. posted a 3-2 win over Finland as **Jenny Schmidgall** assisted on the game-tying goal and then scored the game-winner 56 seconds into the third period.

The U.S. will face Canada again Monday and Finland Tuesday before returning home Dec. 16.

Schmidgall, who played in the 1998 Olympics, and **Brodt**, a member of the 1996 U.S. Women's Select Team, were chosen from the USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and are joined by Gopher head coach **Laura Halldorson**, who is serving as the team's assistant coach.

THE COACHES—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting an 88-83-13 overall record and a 29-8-4 mark at Minnesota.

She began her coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival. In

December, she will serve as an assistant for the U.S. National team that competes in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Halldorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

Manitoba head coach Laura Solberg is in her second season behind the Bisons bench. The 1988 graduate of Manitoba has put together a 44-19-6 record during that time.

Alberta's Howie Draper, a former Golden Bear hockey player, is also in his second season at his alma mater, where he graduated from in 1990.

During his two seasons, Draper has amassed a record of 38-21-9.

THE SERIES—Minnesota has won the only two meetings between the Gophers and Bisons. Minnesota defeated Manitoba 3-0 and 5-1 in a pair of games at Mariucci Arena, Jan. 30-31, 1998.

The Gophers and Alberta will be meeting for the first time this weekend.

WHEN LAST WE MET—The Gophers' Production Line of center **Nadine Muzerall (Mississauga, Ontario/Kimball Union Academy)** and her wings **Ambria Thomas (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley)** and **Kris Scholz (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area)** provided all of the scoring in the 3-0 victory.

Muzerall, assisted by **Thomas** and **Scholz**, scored goals in the first and second periods and **Thomas** added the clincher in the final period. Manitoba goalie Pam Staples stopped 34 of 37 shots in the loss.

Maria M'Lot got the Bisons on the board first in the finale but Matty Brekken tied the score with three seconds to play in the opening period, **Thomas** scored the eventual game-winner in the second and Minnesota then tacked on three third-period goals to seal the win. Staples was again stellar in goal for Manitoba, stopping 44 of 49 shots in the game and tallying 78 saves on 86 shots for the weekend.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 14-3-4 in the five-year-old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets under-

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way at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season, beginning Nov. 27 with the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

KKMS broadcast the Nov. 27-28 games from Princeton's Hobey Baker Rink and will carry Minnesota's Jan. 29-30 games from the Towse Center at the University of New Hampshire Invitational.

Additionally, KKMS will carry four home games: Feb. 5 versus Cornell; Feb. 7 versus Minnesota State, Mankato; Feb. 21 versus Providence; and Feb. 26 versus Brown.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball standout Sarah Pearman handling the color commentary.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota moved up one spot to third, its highest national ranking ever, in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* poll last week. The Gophers remained fourth in the *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* poll while Harvard, which defeated previously top-ranked New Hampshire, took over the top spot in both polls.

USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll (Dec. 8, 1998)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	7-1-0	25	3
2. New Hampshire	6-1-3	20	1
3. Brown	4-1-3	15	2
4. Minnesota	8-1-1	8	4
5. Providence	6-1-2	7	5

Others receiving votes: None.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Dec. 7, 1998)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (9)	7-1-0	99	3
2. New Hampshire (1)	6-1-3	90	1
3. Minnesota	6-1-1	73	4
4. Brown	4-1-3	70	2
5. Providence	5-1-2	62	6
6. Northeastern	4-2-2	55	5
7. Princeton	6-4-0	41	8
8. Dartmouth	4-2-2	24	7

Others receiving votes: Cornell 6.

UP NEXT—The Gophers now take another long break, this time for 18 days before returning action against St. Cloud State, Jan. 9, at Mariucci Arena.

That game kicks off stretch of nine games in 23 days during the month of January as the Gophers hit the busiest part of their schedule.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 15-for-46 (32.6%) on the power play after going 2-for-3 versus Gustavus. The Gophers' 46 power plays have resulted in 67:02 of power-play time and they average a goal every 4:28 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	9	2	6	8	14	.143
Kris Scholz	10	2	6	8	6	.333
Nadine Muzerall	9	4	3	7	15	.267
Emily Buchholz	10	1	4	5	3	.333
Courtney Kennedy	9	3	1	4	10	.300
Brittney Ralph	9	1	2	3	7	.143
Shannon Kennedy	9	0	2	2	3	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Amber Hegland	10	1	0	1	2	.500
Laura Slominski	9	1	0	1	2	.500
Winnie Brodt	9	0	0	0	4	.000
Angela Borek	9	0	0	0	2	.000
Ambria Thomas	8	0	0	0	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	10	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	6	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	4	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	10	15	26	41	74	.186
Opponents	10	3	6	9	32	.094

THE PENALTY KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 27-for-30 (90.0%) killing penalties with their opponents having spent 51:31 on the power play, averaging a goal every 17:10. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	9	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	9	0	0	0	3	.000
Shannon Kennedy	9	0	0	0	2	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Brittney Ralph	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	10	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Laura Slominski	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	6	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	10	2	0	2	16	.125
Opponents	10	0	0	0	3	.000

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Dec 14, 1998)

All games

Overall: 8-1-1 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 2-1-1 Away: 4-0-0 Neut: 2-0-0

Name	GP	SHOTS						PENALTIES				GOALS								
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct	+/-	No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO
Jenny Schmidgall	9	13	12	25	57	.228	+18	1-2	1	0	0	2	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	0
Nadine Muzerall	9	10	10	20	50	.200	+16	4-8	4	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kris Scholz	10	6	11	17	33	.182	+11	1-2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	9	2	10	12	20	.100	+15	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Brittney Ralph	9	3	8	11	20	.150	+15	1-2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	10	6	4	10	21	.286	+12	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amber Hegland	10	5	5	10	23	.217	+11	1-2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	10	1	9	10	19	.053	+14	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Laura Slominski	8	3	6	9	21	.143	+13	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	9	4	4	8	25	.160	+11	5-10	5	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ambria Thomas	8	2	3	5	11	.182	+9	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winnie Brodt	9	2	2	4	19	.105	+16	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	5	1	2	3	7	.143	+2	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	9	1	2	3	10	.100	+6	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	9	1	2	3	8	.125	+5	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	9	0	3	3	5	.000	+13	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	7	1	1	2	9	.111	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	6	1	0	1	11	.091	+3	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	10	1	0	1	11	.091	+5	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	5	0	1	1	9	.000	+14	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	10	67	102	169	405	.165	+221	34-68	34	0	0	15	2	8	8	1	0	3	0	0
Opponents.....	10	10	12	22	173	.058	-	51-121	48	1	2	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0

Name	GP	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD				GOALS				
		Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG
Crystal Nicholas	4	240:00	1	0.25	30	.968	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Erica Killewald	6	364:36	8	1.32	133	.943	4	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	
TEAM	5	0:24	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Total.....	10	605:00	10	0.99	163	.942	7	1	1	0	3	0	1	0	0
Opponents.....	10	605:00	67	6.64	338	.835	1	7	1	0	15	2	0	0	0

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Tuesday, Jan. 5
BB hosts Iowa 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 6-10
DIV at All-American Inv.
(Austin, Texas)

Saturday, Jan. 9
T/F hosts Northwest Open 9 a.m.
SW/D hosts Gold Country 11 a.m.
HO hosts St. Cloud State 7 p.m.
GY hosts Best of Minnesota 7 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 10
BB at Michigan 6 p.m.

All times central

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What's Coming Up

Hockey

- No. 4 Golden Gophers put 10-game winning streak on the line against St. Cloud State

Basketball

- Minnesota looks to capture first Big Ten win of the season

Swimming & Diving

- No. 13 Minnesota hosts Gold Country Invitational

Gymnastics

- No. 18 Gophers host Best of Minnesota to open season

Track & Field

- Minnesota opens season with Northwest Open

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- Jenny Schmidgall named Minnesota Women's Athletics December Athlete of the Month

Basketball

- Brandi Harris scores career high against Penn State

Swimming & Diving

- Swimmers and divers return from training trips

Gymnastics

- Judy Cavazos wins floor and all-around in intrasquad meet

1999 Minnesota Gymnastics Schedule

January

2	Intrasquad	
9	Best of Minnesota	7 p.m.
15	Michigan	7 p.m.
23	Utah	7 p.m.
30	Alabama	7 p.m.

February

6	Iowa State	7 p.m.
13	Iowa	7 p.m.
20	West Virginia	8 p.m.
27	Illinois	7 p.m.

March

5	Iowa	7 p.m.
7	Iowa State	4 p.m.
12	West Virginia	7 p.m.
21	Denver	2 p.m.
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)	

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)	
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)	

All home meets in caps and bold are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics



Best of Minnesota
Saturday, Jan. 9, 1999
Sports Pavilion

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1999 GYMNASTICS SEASON SET TO BEGIN — The Golden Gophers host their first meet of the season Saturday when Hamline University, Winona State University and Gustavus Adolphus College travel to the Sports Pavilion for the annual Best of Minnesota meet. Meet time is 7 p.m.

LAST YEAR AT THE BEST OF MINNESOTA MEET — Minnesota placed first in the four-team meet with a score of 194.575. Winona State finished second with 179.350. Hamline was third with a 142.575 and Gustavus Adolphus fourth with 142.225. Minnesota athletes took the top three spots in all four events.

MAZZONE FINISHES CAREER — Senior Jenny Mazzone (Sparks, Nev./McQueen) had knee surgery Dec. 14 and will not return to the Golden Gopher lineup.

1999 GOLDEN GOPHER ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Hometown/H.S./Club
Megan Bueckens	Fr.	Brandon, S.D./Brandon Valley/All American
Judy Cavazos	Jr.	Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste/Elite Gym
Melissa Chang	Jr.	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs
Catie Christensen	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington/Buckeye
Maryanne Kelley	Fr.	Barrington, Ill./Fremd/All American Academy
Cathy Keyser	Sr.	Plymouth, Minn./Australian Inst. of Sport Twisters
Shanyn Lancaster	So.	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser/Oakland Gymnastics
Jenny Mazzone	Sr.	Sparks, Nev./McQueen/Gymnastics Nevada
Courtney Norman	Fr.	Minneapolis, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall
Cami Phillippi	Jr.	Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area
Miriam Pourshoushtari	Fr.	Rockville, Md./Walter Johnson/Hill's Gymnastics
Kristi Selinger	Jr.	Aurora, Colo./Gateway
Megan Skokut	So.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel/Indy School of Gymnastics
Megan Smith	Fr.	Fargo, N.D./Fargo/American Gold

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON

— Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson enter their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars. Meg Stephenson enters her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Meg Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

SEASON OUTLOOK — Minnesota lost six seniors to graduation from the 1998 team that won the Big Ten championship for the first time since 1991, but co-coaches **Jim and Meg Stephenson** are excited about the potential and capabilities of this year's team.

*Catch what
you've been
Missing!*

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 11-1-1

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1
7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1
27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2
28 Princeton@ W, 3-1
29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1
18 Manitoba# W, 3-1
19 Alberta# W, 9-2
20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 St. Cloud State 7:00 p.m.
15 St. Lawrence\$ 5:00 p.m.
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 8:00 p.m.
17 Toronto\$ 5:00 p.m.
22 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.
23 Wilfrid Laurier 7:00 p.m.
29 Concordia (Montreal)\$ 5:00 p.m.
30 New Hampshire\$ 2:30 p.m.
31 Beatrice Aeros\$ 12:00 p.m.

February

5 Cornell 7:00 p.m.
6 Cornell 7:00 p.m.
7 Minnesota State, Mankato 3:00 p.m.
13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.
14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.
20 Providence 2:30 p.m.
21 Providence 1:00 p.m.
26 Brown 7:00 p.m.
27 Brown 7:00 p.m.

March

3.7.12 Midwest Showdown TBA
22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.
26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in **bold** at Mariucci Arena
All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge
@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational
#—Manitoba Tournament
\$—Lake Placid Tournament
%—New Hampshire Tournament



Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

January 4, 1999

St. Cloud State vs. #4 Minnesota
Saturday, January 9, 1999

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota returns to action this week after a three-week layoff by hosting St. Cloud State. Saturday's game at Mariucci Arena gets underway at 7 p.m.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fourth-ranked Gophers started slowly but cruised to a 3-0 record and the championship of Manitoba's Bison Invitational at the Max Bell Centre in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Dec. 18-20.

Minnesota opened tournament play Friday, Dec. 18, with a 3-1 win over the tournament hosts. Despite a 54-19 advantage in shots on goal, the Gophers were held scoreless through the game's first 35 minutes before **Kris Scholz (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area)** scored on the power play to give her team a 1-0 lead.

Bison goalie Pam Staples continued to keep her team within striking distance, finishing the game with 51 saves, but Minnesota put the game away midway through the final period as **Shannon Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham Browne & Nichols)** and **Amber Hegland (Farmington, Minn./Farmington)** scored goals 1:24 apart. Manitoba spoiled the shutout bid of **Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy)**, who tallied 19 saves, when Karen Mamchuk scored with 46 seconds to play.

Just 13 hours later, the Gophers took on Alberta and, behind four-point efforts by **Winnie Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** and **Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina)**, earned a 9-2 win. Minnesota got four of its nine goals from special teams, including three power-play goals.

Schmidgall scored two of the Gophers' three power-play goals and **Brodt** the other while **Brittney Ralph (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center)** scored a short-handed goal. Minnesota had a 41-18 advantage in shots on goal and **Crystal Nicholas (Tulsa, Okla./Tulsa Union)** won her fifth consecutive start with a 16-save effort.

With a 7-0 win over Manitoba, Alberta earned a spot in the championship game but the Gophers again prevailed, taking an 8-2 win from the Pandas as **Schmidgall** and **Ambria Thomas (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley)** each scored a pair of goals.

Minnesota got off to a fast start as **Schmidgall** scored at 1:03 of the opening period, made it 2-0 at 11:58 with a power-play goal and carried a 4-0 lead into the first intermission before tacking on two more goals in each of the final two periods. **Killewald** stopped 19 shots as Minnesota outshot the Pandas 33-21.

ST. CLOUD STATE RECENTLY—The Huskies got a 64-save effort from goalie **Sondra Diaz-Arntzen** but gave up four goals in the game's final 14 minutes in a 4-1 loss at Minnesota State, Mankato, Saturday.

Despite being outshot 68-9, St. Cloud State grabbed a 1-0 lead when **Rebecca Olson** scored on the power play at 12:45 of the opening period. **Diaz-Arntzen** made that lead hold up for almost two periods before the Mavericks finally solved the puzzle in the Husky goal. The loss was the third in a row for St. Cloud State, which will bring a 3-6-0 record into Saturday's contest.

Husky head coach **Kerry Brodt** returned to her alma mater this season to take the reigns of the first-year program. A 1995 graduate of SCSU, she won four letters in golf and earned All-America honors in 1992. She was the head coach at North St. Paul High School for the last two seasons before accepting her current position.

SCORING SPREE—After being held scoreless by Harvard in her first collegiate game, **Jenny Schmidgall** has put together 10-game point- and goal-scoring streaks, tallying 17 goals and 33 points during that time.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 2-2-2-2-2

In her last four games, the 1998 Olympian has scored seven goals and 17 points. During her 10-game streak, she has five multiple-goal, five multiple-assist and eight multiple-point games.

NOT TO BE OUTDONE—She's done so quietly, but co-captain **Kris Scholz** has also amassed a 10-game point-scoring streak and, in 13 games this season, has been held scoreless just once, in a 1-1 tie with New Hampshire, Nov. 7.

During her 10-game streak, **Scholz** has scored seven goals, including her first career hat trick Nov. 29 versus Queen's, and 16 points.

Scholz's career-best streak is 13 games, set Nov. 15-Jan. 15 last season, a streak that saw her score six goals and 28 points.

SISTER ACT—In Minnesota's last five games, sisters **Courtney** and **Shannon Kennedy** have combined for eight goals, including two game-winners, and 17 points.

Shannon has scored goals in each of her last four games and recorded the game-winning goal in Friday's 3-1 win over Manitoba, while **Courtney**, who has four goals in her last four games, has scored a pair of power-play goals and has a plus/minus rating of +11 during her last four games. After scoring just one point in her first four games, she has now scored five goals and nine points in her last seven games.

LIKE A ROCK—The goaltending of **Erica Killewald** and **Crystal Nicholas** continues to be the Gophers' most consistent area of play.

As the team's number-one goalie, **Killewald** has not allowed more than two goals in eight starts this season, boasting a 1.36 goals against average and a .939 save percentage, including marks of 1.48 and .953 versus ranked opponents this season.

The duo has combined to allow just 15 goals in 13 games and only Harvard, which scored an empty-net goal, has scored more than two goals in a game against Minnesota this season.

STREAKING—The Gophers have put together a school-record 10-game winning streak and tied a school-record with an 11-game unbeaten streak.

Since a 3-1 loss to Harvard, Nov. 5, the Gophers have scored 74 goals in 11 games, including three 10-goal games. At the same time, they have allowed just 11 goals while outshooting opponents 469-187, an average of 42.6-17.0.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore blueliner **Winnie Brodt** played for the U.S. Women's Select Team at the Three Nations Cup in Finland, Dec. 10-15.

Canada grabbed a 2-1 win over the United States, Dec. 10, in the tourney opener, but the U.S. rebounded the next day with a 3-2 win over Finland as **Schmidgall** assisted on the game-tying goal and then scored the game-winner 56 seconds into the third period.

After a two-day respite, the U.S. again fell to Canada, Dec. 14, 4-3 in a shootout before closing out play with a 4-3 win over Finland.

Schmidgall, who played in the 1998 Olympics, and **Brodt**, a member of the 1996 U.S. Women's Select Team, were

chosen from the USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and were joined by Gopher head coach **Laura Halldorson**, who served as the team's assistant coach.

SIBLING RIVALRY—Saturday's contest offers a rare battle between siblings as **Winnie Brodt** leads Minnesota against St. Cloud State, a team coached by her sister Kerry.

Winnie, the third-oldest of five Brodt children. Her two older siblings, Kerry and Vic, both attended St. Cloud State. Vic, the oldest, played hockey from 1986-90 and still ranks 13th in scoring for the Huskies, while Kerry was a four-year letterwinner in golf.

THE SERIES—Minnesota holds a 1-0-0 lead in its all-time series with St. Cloud State but the two teams are meeting for the first time as varsity opponents. The Huskies were a club team when the Gophers handed them a 10-0 loss in Minneapolis last season.

WHEN LAST WE MET—Minnesota used a six-goal second period to pound St. Cloud 10-0, at Mariucci Arena in front of 3,208 fans, Nov. 15, 1997.

Marissa Pettiford scored two goals and tallied four points for the Gophers and **Laura Tryba** also picked up four points. Minnesota held a 47-9 advantage in shots on goal

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting an 91-83-13 overall record and a 32-8-4 mark at Minnesota.

She began her head coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year **Meaghan Sittler**.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival and also served as an assistant for the U.S. Women's Select team that competed in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Halldorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 14-3-4 in the five-year-old building.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 3-3-3-3

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets underway at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season, beginning Nov. 27 with the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

KKMS broadcast the Nov. 27-28 games from Princeton's Hobey Baker Rink and will carry Minnesota's Jan. 29-30 games from the Towse Center at the University of New Hampshire Invitational.

Additionally, KKMS will carry four home games: Feb. 5 versus Cornell; Feb. 7 versus Minnesota State, Mankato; Feb. 21 versus Providence; and Feb. 26 versus Brown.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball standout Sarah Pearman handling the color commentary.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota maintained its position in both the *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* and *U.S. College Hockey Online* polls. Harvard remained in the top spot in both polls.

USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll (Dec. 15, 1998)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	10-1-0	25	1
2. New Hampshire	7-1-3	20	2
3. Brown	5-1-3	15	3
4. Minnesota	8-1-1	8	4
5. Providence	6-2-2	6	5

Others receiving votes: Northeastern 1.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Dec. 14, 1998)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (10)	10-1-0	100	3
2. New Hampshire	7-1-3	89	1
3. Minnesota	6-1-1	79	4
4. Brown	5-1-3	71	2
5. Providence	5-2-2	59	6
6. Northeastern	4-3-2	52	5
7. Princeton	7-4-0	35	8
8. Dartmouth	4-2-2	28	7

Others receiving votes: Cornell 7.

UP NEXT—The Gophers continue with the busiest portion of their schedule, consisting of nine games the final 23 days of January, next weekend as they take part in the Lake Placid Invitational, hosted by St. Lawrence University at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid, N.Y.

Minnesota takes on St. Lawrence in the tourney opener at 5 p.m. EST Friday before facing defending Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union champion Concordia at 8 p.m. Saturday. The Gophers will then face 1998 CIAU runner-up Toronto at 5 p.m. Sunday.

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Winnie Brodt	11	1	3	4	5	.200
Brittney Ralph	12	1	2	3	8	.125
Shannon Kennedy	12	0	3	3	4	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Amber Hegland	13	1	0	1	2	.500
Laura Slominski	12	1	0	1	2	.500
Tai Thorsheim	12	0	1	1	0	.000
Tracy Engstrom	13	0	0	0	2	.000
Angela Borek	12	0	0	0	2	.000
Ambria Thomas	11	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	8	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	8	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	13	20	35	55	87	.230
Opponents	13	5	9	14	47	.106

THE PENALTY KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 42-for-47 (89.4%) killing penalties with their opponents having spent 80:49 on the power play, averaging a goal every 16:10. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	11	2	0	2	5	.400
Brittney Ralph	12	1	0	1	2	.000
Tracy Engstrom	13	0	1	1	0	.000
Jenny Schmidgall	11	0	0	0	3	.000
Shannon Kennedy	12	0	0	0	2	.000
Laura Slominski	12	0	0	0	2	.000
Ambria Thomas	11	0	0	0	2	.000
Kris Scholz	13	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	12	0	0	0	1	.000
Tai Thorsheim	12	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	11	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	8	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	8	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	13	3	1	4	23	.125
Opponents	13	0	0	0	3	.000

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GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Dec 14, 1998)

All games

Overall: 11-1-1 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 2-1-1 Away: 5-0-0 Neut: 4-0-0

Name	GP	SHOTS						PENALTIES				GOALS								
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct	+/-	No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO
Jenny Schmidgall	11	17	16	33	72	.236	+22	1-2	1	0	0	5	0	3	1	1	0	1	0	0
Nadine Muzerall	11	10	13	23	61	.164	+17	4-8	4	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kris Scholz	13	8	13	21	38	.211	+15	1-2	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	12	5	13	18	33	.152	+20	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	13	6	8	14	31	.194	+18	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amber Hegland	13	6	8	14	30	.200	+14	3-6	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Laura Slominski	11	4	8	12	29	.138	+17	2-4	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Brittney Ralph	12	4	8	12	28	.143	+16	3-6	3	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	11	5	5	10	36	.139	+16	6-12	6	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	12	1	9	10	23	.043	+14	7-14	7	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ambria Thomas	11	5	4	9	23	.217	+15	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winy Brodt	11	4	5	9	25	.160	+24	4-8	4	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	8	2	3	5	11	.182	+4	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	12	1	4	5	14	.071	+6	4-8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	12	1	3	4	6	.167	+18	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	12	1	2	3	13	.077	+5	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	13	1	2	3	12	.083	+7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	10	1	1	2	10	.100	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	8	0	2	2	11	.000	+18	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	8	1	0	1	11	.091	+2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	13	87	134	221	533	.163	+280	52-104	52	0	0	20	3	11	11	1	0	3	0	0
Opponents.....	13	15	20	35	231	.065	-	64-147	61	1	2	5	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0

Name	GP	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD			GOALS					
		Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG
Crystal Nicholas	5	300:00	3	0.60	46	.939	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Erica Killewald	8	484:36	11	1.36	170	.939	6	1	1	0	4	0	0	0	0
TEAM	13	0:24	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total.....	13	785:00	15	1.15	216	.935	11	1	1	0	5	0	1	0	0
Opponents.....	13	785:00	87	6.65	446	.837	1	11	1	0	20	3	0	0	0

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Jan 04, 1999)
All games

Overall: 11-1-1 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 2-1-1 Away: 5-0-0 Neut: 4-0-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	87-533	15-231
Shot pct.....	.163	.065
Goals/Game.....	6.7	1.2
Shots/Game.....	41.0	17.8
Assists.....	134	20
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	20-56	5-47
Conversion Percent.....	.357	.106
Shot Attempts.....	155	93
Shot Percent.....	.129	.054
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	3-38	0-7
Shot Percent.....	.079	.000
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	87	15
Power Play.....	20	5
Short-handed.....	3	0
Empty net.....	0	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	52	64
Minutes.....	104	147
Penalties/Game.....	4.0	4.9
Pen minutes/Game.....	8.0	11.3
Minor.....	52	61
Major.....	0	1
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	1
Game Misconduct.....	0	1
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	449-340	340-449
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	4539	1628
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	4/1135	5/326
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	4/55	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total
Minnesota.....	29	31	27	0	87
Opponents.....	2	6	7	0	15



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 5-8 Big Ten: 0-3

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at S. Florida	W, 68-64 (OT)
19	at Stetson	W, 62-57
28	at Wisconsin*	L, 59-70
30	at Purdue*	L, 52-73

January

3	Penn State*	L, 43-72
5	Iowa*	7 p.m.
10	at Michigan*	7 p.m.
15	at Northwestern*	7 p.m.
17	Indiana*	2 p.m.
22	at Michigan State*	7 p.m.
24	at Ohio State*	2 p.m.
29	Illinois*	7 p.m.
31	Northwestern*	2 p.m.

February

5	Michigan*	7 p.m.
12	at Iowa*	7:30 p.m.
14	at Penn State*	2 p.m.
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament	
12-15	at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round	
20-22	at NCAA Regionals	
26-28	at NCAA Final Four	

Home games in bold are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



vs. Iowa
 Tuesday, Jan. 5, 7 p.m.
 at Michigan
 Sunday, Jan. 10, 7 p.m. (EST)

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The University of Minnesota women's basketball team plays two games this week, hosting Iowa on Tuesday and travelling to Michigan on Sunday. The Gophers are looking to break a three-game losing streak, with the last two losses coming to teams ranked in the top dozen in the country. Minnesota had a .500 non-conference record for the first time since 1994-95, finishing its 10 non-league games at 5-5. The Gophers have surpassed their victory total for each of the past three seasons.

STARTING LINEUP — Brandi Harris (Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC) and Swantreca Taylor (Donaldsville, La./Como Park HS) have started the last two games for Minnesota. Harris responded with a career-high 16 points in Sunday's game against Penn State. The starting lineup has gone through several changes over the last five games. The only sure things in the Minnesota starting lineup are Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparal), who has started all 13 games for Minnesota, and Erin Olson (Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell), who has started the last 11 games and leads the Gophers in minutes played.

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach Cheryl Littlejohn is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 9-31 (.225) record in her two-year collegiate career. Littlejohn served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. Littlejohn played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT IOWA — The Hawkeyes have split their first 12 games of the season, including a pair of Big Ten games. Iowa defeated Illinois 89-86 last Tuesday in Iowa City and dropped a 79-72 decision to Wisconsin on Sunday in Madison. The Hawkeyes have one true road win in five games this season, defeating Syracuse 70-64 on Dec. 5.

Senior center Amy Herrig is the only returning starter from last season's Big Ten championship team. She leads the Hawkeyes in scoring at 15.8 points per game and rebounding at 10.1 rebounds per game. Sophomore guard Cara Consegura led Iowa with 17 points against Wisconsin and is averaging 11.1 points and 4.9 assists per game.

Iowa coach Angie Lee is in her fourth season as the Hawkeye mentor and has a school and career record of 69-33 (.676).

THE SERIES — Iowa leads 29-13. The Hawkeyes won both meetings last season, defeating the Gophers 91-55 in Iowa City on Dec. 28, 1997, and 71-59 at the Sports Pavilion on Feb. 22, 1998. Iowa has won the last six meetings in the series. Lee is 5-0 against the Gophers, while Littlejohn is 0-2 against the Hawkeyes.

ABOUT MICHIGAN — The Wolverines have won nine of their first 10 games, losing their season opener 57-45 to Vanderbilt. Michigan won its first Big Ten game, defeating Indiana 72-58 at Bloomington on Dec. 28, 1998. The Wolverines will play at Illinois on Tuesday and host Louisiana Tech on Saturday before the Sunday meeting with Minnesota.

Junior **Stacey Thomas** is Michigan's leading scorer and rebounder, averaging 16.4 points per game and 7.6 rebounds per game. Junior **Kenisha Walker** scored 27 points to lead the Wolverines in their win at Indiana.

Michigan coach Sue Guevara is in her third season as the Wolverine leader and has a school and career record of 43-22 (.662).

THE SERIES — The series is tied, 16-16. Michigan won both meetings last season, defeating Minnesota 94-74 in Ann Arbor on Dec. 30, 1997, and 56-53 at the Sports Pavilion on Feb. 20, 1998. The Wolverines have won the last five meetings against the Gophers. Guevara is 4-0 against Minnesota, while Littlejohn is 0-2 against Michigan.

GOPHER REWIND: PENN STATE — Minnesota led for most of the first half against the 12th-ranked Lady Lions before a 10-2 run in the last five minutes gave Penn State a 27-22 lead at the break. After an exchange of baskets, Penn State broke open the game with a 23-3 run and defeated the Gophers 72-43 before 2,081 at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota's shooting was as frigid as the weather outside, as the Gophers made 18.4 percent of their shots in the second half and 22.4 percent of their shots in the game. **Brandi Harris** led the Gophers with a career-high 16 points, including four three-pointers. It was the first double-figure scoring effort for **Harris** as a Gopher.

GOPHER REWIND: PURDUE — Minnesota dropped a 73-52 decision to the third-ranked Boilermakers on Wednesday in front of 9,330 at Mackey Arena. The Gophers had a 7-4 lead after 3 1/2 minutes, but Purdue scored the next nine points and never trailed from that point. **Erin Olson** led the Gophers with 13 points, marking the third time in five games that **Olson** has either led or shared the lead in Minnesota scoring. **Cassie VanderHeyden** (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis) and **Jackie Tate** (Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula) each scored 11 points off of Minnesota's bench. **Tate** led the Gophers with seven rebounds.

GOPHER REWIND: WISCONSIN — Minnesota gave the Badgers all they wanted before 8,760 at the Kohl Center last Monday before falling 70-59. The Gophers built a 36-29 halftime lead because of a 23-8 run in the last nine minutes of the half. First-year guard **Cassie VanderHeyden** hit five three-pointers in the run, and ended the game with six triples and 21 points. Both marks are career highs for **VanderHeyden** and season highs for

any Gopher. **Sonja Robinson** had 14 points and 11 rebounds, her first double-double of the season. **Theresa LeCuyer** returned to the starting lineup with 14 points and seven rebounds.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Diff.	Overall
Ohio State	2-0	+2	9-3
Michigan	1-0	+1	9-1
Northwestern	1-0	+1	7-4
Purdue	1-0	Even	9-1
Illinois	2-1	Even	8-5
Wisconsin	2-1	Even	7-5
Penn State	1-1	Even	9-2
Iowa	1-1	Even	6-6
Michigan State	0-1	-1	6-5
MINNESOTA	0-3	-1	5-8
Indiana	0-3	-2	11-6

THE DIFFERENTIAL — The middle column of the Big Ten standings is the differential, a different way to track teams in the Big Ten standings. The differential rewards teams for wins on the road (+1) and penalizes teams for losses at home (-1). It is assumed that you will win at home and lose on the road, so in those cases, the differential remains unchanged. When comparing teams with similar Big Ten records, the differential can give one team an advantage over another team, because that team has more home games remaining. The differential does not take into account any strength of schedule features.

ROBINSON CONTINUES TO LEAD — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continues to lead Minnesota in both scoring and rebounding. **Sonja Robinson** is 5-11, and normally starts against players that are considerably taller than she is. That has not stopped her from compiling some impressive numbers for the Gophers. **Robinson** leads Minnesota in scoring at 11.3 points per game and rebounding at 7.8 rebounds per game. Last Monday at Wisconsin, **Robinson** earned her first double-double of the season, scoring 14 points and pulled down 11 rebounds. She needs 16 points and seven rebounds to establish new career highs for a season in those categories. **Robinson** has eight double-figure scoring efforts in 13 games and has led or shared the lead in Gopher scoring six times. She is seventh among Big Ten rebounders.

OLSON IS SOLID AT THE POINT — **Erin Olson** has established herself as Minnesota's floor leader at the point guard position and is starting to add scoring to her game. **Olson** is leading the Gophers in several categories, including minutes (35.7 per game), three-point percentage (.526), assists (48) and steals (21). In the last six games, **Olson** has scored in double figures four times, averaging 10.0 points per game. **Olson** is Minnesota's fourth-leading scorer at 9.2 points per game.

VANDERHEYDEN VERBAGE — Minnesota has a bench player leading the Gophers in scoring for the Big Ten season. First-year guard **Cassie VanderHeyden** is averaging 12.7 points per game, helped by her team-leading nine three-pointers. **VanderHeyden** established career highs with 21 points and six triples in the loss at Wisconsin. With her two three-pointers against Penn State, **VanderHeyden** has made at least one triple in 11 consecutive games and 12 of Minnesota's 13 contests this season. **VanderHeyden** has 27 of Minnesota's 54 trifectas this season, and her .314 percentage behind the arc ranks seventh among Big Ten players. **VanderHeyden** also had seven rebounds Sunday, tying **Sonja Robinson** for the team lead.

DEE-FENSE, DEE-FENSE — Minnesota has a promotion for home games that if the Gophers hold their opponents to under 65 points, 65 of the lucky fans in the stands receive X-65 T-shirts from the Gopher players. If the first 13 games are any indication, the T-shirt manufacturing plant had better get busy. Minnesota has held its opponents under 65 points for eight of the 13 games this season. All three Big Ten opponents have exceeded 65 points, but all three teams were held under their season scoring average. The Gophers' defensive average of 64.5 points is nearly eight points better than last year's average and ranks fifth in the Big Ten Conference.

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench has been a source of strength this season, outscoring its opponents in 10 of 13 games. The Penn State game Sunday was not one of those games. The Lady Lion subs dominated the Gopher subs 49-16, the first time this season that Minnesota's bench had been outscored by as many as four points. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 311-231, an 6.2 point-per-game surplus from the bench.

BONUS CANTOS — This year's Gopher squad has played two overtime games, matching the school record for most overtime games in a season. Minnesota is 1-1 in overtime games, losing 62-53 against nationally ranked Kansas in Hawaii, and winning 68-64 against South Florida. The Gophers have played 15 overtime games in school history, winning 11. Minnesota broke a three-game losing streak in overtime games with the win at South Florida.

WHAT'S NEXT — Minnesota is back on the road to play Michigan on Sun., Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. (EST). This is a time change from the Minnesota women's basketball media guide. The Gophers will travel to Northwestern on Fri., Jan. 15, at 7 p.m., before returning home to play Indiana on Sun., Jan. 17, at 2 p.m. The Indiana game will be telecast live by Midwest Sports Channel.

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park (Minn.)
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-11	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
45	Ngozi Okechukwa	C	Fr.	6-3	Anambra, Nigeria/De La Salle (Minn.)
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach:

Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)

Assistant Coaches:

Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson

Coordinator of Basketball Operations:

Robin Hester

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ALL GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L			3-POINTERS			R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - AVG								
			FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG														
21 Robinson, Sonja	13	13	444	34.2	62	144	.431	0	1	.000	23	34	.676	49	53	102	7.8	36	1	10	27	7	13	147	11.3	
33 LeOuyer, Theresa	13	11	303	23.3	45	105	.429	2	8	.250	36	61	.590	29	35	64	4.9	26	1	20	26	1	14	128	9.8	
11 VanderHeyden, C.	13	2	253	19.5	41	124	.331	27	86	.314	8	10	.800	9	23	32	2.5	28	1	22	26	0	15	117	9.0	
04 Olson, Erin	13	11	464	35.7	38	94	.404	10	19	.526	26	33	.788	11	50	61	4.7	23	1	48	48	8	21	112	8.6	
15 Tate, Jackie	13	6	340	26.2	31	71	.437	0	0	.000	17	22	.773	32	46	78	6.0	36	2	16	30	6	11	79	6.1	
23 Bowden, Monaeke	13	5	226	17.4	24	86	.279	5	16	.313	18	35	.514	18	36	54	4.2	36	1	10	20	4	11	71	5.5	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	11	4	134	12.2	12	56	.214	1	15	.067	9	18	.500	6	14	20	1.8	22	1	9	17	0	5	34	3.1	
05 Harris, Brandi	13	2	123	9.5	14	49	.286	8	17	.471	1	3	.333	7	11	18	1.4	20	0	5	16	0	5	37	2.8	
12 Hansen, Mindy	13	2	109	8.4	10	27	.370	0	2	.000	3	8	.375	13	11	24	2.0	13	0	9	12	1	2	23	1.8	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	12	9	147	12.3	5	27	.185	1	5	.200	10	13	.769	10	8	18	1.5	16	0	18	18	0	8	21	1.8	
35 Schaffer, Erin	1	0	5	5.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	3	1	4	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0	
54 Bell, Kim	10	0	71	7.1	3	13	.231	0	0	.000	2	4	.500	5	12	17	1.7	15	1	0	11	13	0	8	0.8	
30 Pickens, Brandy	7	0	23	3.3	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	3	6	.500	1	5	6	0.8	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.4	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														27	31	58										
Minnesota	13		2650		285	798	.357	54	169	.320	157	249	.631	220	336	556	42.8	273	9	167	261	40	105	781	60.1	
Opponents	13		2650		301	767	.392	43	144	.299	194	290	.669	178	341	519	39.9	229	187	232	62	112	839	64.5		

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	385	436	18	0	0	0	839
Minnesota	349	419	13	0	0	0	781

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P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L			3-POINTERS			R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - AVG								
			FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG														
11 VanderHeyden, C.	3	0	80	26.7	14	44	.318	9	27	.333	1	1	1.00	6	9	15	5.0	11	0	7	7	0	2	38	12.7	
21 Robinson, Sonja	3	3	110	36.7	11	36	.305	0	1	.000	3	4	.750	10	14	24	8.0	9	0	3	10	1	1	25	8.3	
33 LeOuyer, Theresa	3	3	61	20.3	8	22	.364	0	2	.000	6	12	.500	5	6	11	3.7	5	0	8	5	0	4	22	7.3	
05 Harris, Brandi	3	2	41	13.3	8	19	.421	5	9	.556	0	0	.000	1	3	4	1.3	6	0	2	4	0	2	21	7.0	
04 Olson, Erin	3	3	112	37.3	8	21	.368	1	3	.333	2	2	1.00	3	4	7	2.3	4	0	14	16	3	6	19	6.3	
15 Tate, Jackie	3	0	81	27.0	8	25	.320	0	0	.000	3	3	1.00	9	10	19	6.3	12	2	4	7	2	3	19	6.3	
54 Bell, Kim	3	0	32	10.7	2	3	.667	0	0	.000	2	2	1.00	2	3	5	1.7	10	1	0	2	3	0	6	2.0	
12 Hansen, Mindy	3	0	11	3.7	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	2	0	1	2	0.7	
23 Bowden, Monaeke	3	1	28	9.3	1	9	.111	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	4	3	7	2.3	9	1	0	1	0	0	2	0.7	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	2	1	15	7.5	0	8	.000	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	1.0	1	0	1	2	0	1	0	0.0	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	3	2	12	4.0	0	3	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	1	1	2	0.7	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0.0	
30 Pickens, Brandy	1	0	9	9.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														14	10	24										
Minnesota	3		600		61	193	.316	15	44	.341	17	24	.708	55	65	120	40.0	69	4	40	63	9	20	154	51.3	
Opponents	3		600		76	175	.434	10	36	.278	53	84	.631	46	78	124	41.3	40	50	45	19	35	215	71.7		

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	97	118	0	0	0	0	215
Minnesota	87	67	0	0	0	0	154

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON SCHEDULE - as of 1/3/99
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(5-8)	(2-2)	(2-5)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-3)	(0-1)	(0-2)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-5)	(2-1)	(2-3)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10) Tate, Jackie (10) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15) Bowden, Moneeke	(7) Tate, Jackie (7) LeQyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11) Olson, Erin (11) Taylor, Swantreca	(13) Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16) Robinson, Sonja (16) LeQyer, Theresa	(8) Olson, Erin (8) Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17) Robinson, Sonja	(8) Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Robinson, Sonja (9) LeQyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16) Olson, Erin	(10) Robinson, Sonja
12/16/98	7 p.m.	at South Florida	68-64	W OT	110	(13) Olson, Erin (13) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Bowden, Moneeke
12/19/98	7 p.m.	at Stetson	62-57	W	242	(16) Tate, Jackie	(9) Tate, Jackie
12/28/98	7 p.m.	* at Wisconsin	59-70	L	8760	(21) VanderHeyden, Cassie	(11) Robinson, Sonja
12/30/98	7:30 p.m.	* at Purdue	52-73	L	9330	(13) Olson, Erin	(7) Tate, Jackie
1/3/99	2 p.m.	* PENN STATE	43-72	L	2081	(16) Harris, Brandi	(7) VanderHeyden, Cassie (7) Robinson, Sonja

* Big Ten ! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic @ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	4,565	1,141
AWAY.....	21,030	3,004
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	29,143	2,242



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
(Chapel Hill, N.C.)
def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
def. S. Carolina 278-92
tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
(Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 Minnesota Invitational
(1st/12 teams, 1,045.5 pts.)

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
Swimmers - Maui, Hawaii
Divers - Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
(Austin, Texas)
- 9 Gold Country Inv. 11 a.m.
- 16 Penn State/Nebraska 1 p.m.
- 22 at Northwestern 6 p.m.
- 23 Iowa 2 p.m.
- 29-30 Quad Duals 6 p.m./noon
Minnesota, Wisconsin
Purdue, Illinois
(Indianapolis, Ind.)

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 Minnesota Challenge
Fri./Sat. 6 p.m./noon
- 18-20 Big Ten Championship
Thur.-Sat. 11 a.m./7 p.m.
- 27 Go-Pher-It Inv. TBA

MARCH

- 12-13 Zone C Diving
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 18-20 NCAA Championships
(Athens, Ga.)

Home meets at the University
Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard
Pool



1998-99 Minnesota Swimming & Diving

Gold Country Invitational

Saturday, Jan. 9, 1999

SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHERS HOST INVITATIONAL — The University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team returns to action this Saturday, Jan. 9, when the Golden Gophers host the Gold Country Invitational. The No. 13 Gophers highlight the 12-team field, which also includes several other collegiate teams from the state of Minnesota. The invitational field: Carleton; Concordia (Moorhead); Gustavus Adolphus; Illinois-Chicago; Minnesota, Minnesota State, Mankato; Moorhead State, St. Benedict; St. Cloud State; St. Mary; St. Olaf and Wheaton (IL). The Gold Country Invitational is a co-ed meet that begins at 11 a.m. in the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool.

DIVERS TO COMPETE IN ALL-AMERICAN INVITE — Golden Gopher divers **T.D. Rowe (Isaquah, Wash./Liberty)**, **Traci LaVoi (Sauk Rapids, MN/St. Cloud Tech)** and **Rachel Degener (Kaysville, Utah/Davis)** will skip the Gold Country Invitational, instead traveling to Austin, Texas, to compete in the All-American Invite, Wednesday-Sunday, Jan. 6-10.

DIVING TRAINING TRIP RESULTS — Prior to the holiday break, the Golden Gopher divers headed to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., for 10 days of training. Minnesota's only competition during that trip was a non-team scoring event with Miami and Ohio State. The following are individual results from that meet:

1-meter		
1.	Jenny Keim (Miami)	284.00
5.	T.D. Rowe (Minn.)	220.90
7.	Tracy LaVoi (Minn.)	205.03
8.	Christina Rinkus (Minn.)	202.60
9.	Rachelle Giese (Minn.)	199.75
3-meter		
1.	Melanie Johnson (OSU)	307.20
4.	T.D. Rowe (Minn.)	259.30
6.	Christina Rinkus (Minn.)	227.85
7.	Tracy LaVoi (Minn.)	219.25
10.	Rachelle Giese (Minn.)	202.05

SWIMMERS RELAY EXHIBITION IN HAWAII — While the divers trained in Florida, the swimmers traveled to Hawaii to improve their swimming talents. The Gophers swam an exhibition relay meet with Club Lahana. The winning relay teams:

200 medley	1:53.50	Emily Deppe, Elizabeth Pierce, Jenny Hennen, Jess Keding
200 free	1:43.47	Amy Cottrill, Karen Egerman, Amy Miller, Angie Roehl
200 fly	1:52.17	Terri Jashinsky, Meghan Sonstegard, Sara Rotkowski, Jessica Nohard (Lahana)
200 breast	2:15.99	Elizabeth Pierce, Anne Koller, Angie Roehl, Noelle Serrano (Lahana)
200 back	2:01.80	Ann Cahoy, Meghan Sonstegard, Briana Rygg, Kim Atusha (Lahana)

MINNESOTA 13TH IN NATIONAL POLL — Minnesota is ranked No. 13 in the Speedo American College Swimming Coaches Association Top 25. Stanford holds the No. 1 ranking, while Michigan (No. 9), Northwestern (No. 11) and Wisconsin (No. 16) are other Big Ten teams included in the national poll.

University of Minnesota 1998-99 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 13-0-1 Dual Record: 2-0-1 Big Ten: 1-0 Invitationals: 11-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/6-7/98	vs. #7 Michigan	W	12th	230.5-139.5	1/22/99	at Northwestern			
11/6-7/98	at #16 North Carolina	T	12th	185-185	1/23/99	IOWA			
11/6-7/98	vs. South Carolina	W	12th	278-92	1/29-30/99	vs. Wisconsin (at Indianapolis)			
11/13-14/98	at Meet of Champions	Exb.	12th	n/a	1/29-30/99	vs. Purdue (at Indianapolis)			
11/20-22/98	Minnesota Invite	1st/12	13th	1045.5	1/29-30/99	vs. Illinois (at Indianapolis)			
12/13-24/98	Training Trip (Hawaii/Florida)		13th	n/a	2/5-6/99	Minnesota Challenge			
1/6-10/99	at All-American Inv. (Divers)				2/18-20/99	Big Ten Championships			
1/9/99	Gold Country Invite				2/27/99	Gopher Invitational			
1/16/99	Penn State				3/12-13/99	at NCAA Zone C Diving (Bloomington, Ind.)			
1/16/99	Nebraska				3/18-20/99	at NCAA Championships (Athens, Ga.)			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (22.78, 23.46, 22.97)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 23.68	Meghan Sonstegard 11/6/98 24.15	Beth Shimanski 11/20/98 24.38	Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 24.88	Shelley Miller 11/20/98 25.14
100y Free (49.39, 50.87, 50.28)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 51.45	Jenny Hennen 11/6/98 51.68	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 51.79	Meghan Sonstegard 11/20/98 52.39	
200y Free (1:47.58, 1:50.80, 1:48.52)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 1:50.27 *	Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 1:52.63	Jenny Hennen 11/6/98 1:52.81	Amy Mickschl 11/6/98 1:53.98	
500y Free (4:46.31, 4:54.89, 4:46.95*)	Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 4:54.44 *	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 5:01.52	Amy Mickschl 11/20/98 5:05.36	Jenny Hennen 11/20/98 5:05.80	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 5:06.58
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68)	Jinny Smedstad 11/6/98 10:18.52	Marta Knowles 11/6/98 10:28.61	Shelley Miller 11/6/98 10:54.56		
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 17:30.11	Briana Rygg 11/20/98 18:44.41	Kim Hamren 11/20/98 18:54.11	Ashley Wallace 11/20/98 19:46.72	
100y Backstroke (54.87, 56.51, 54.21)	Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 57.85	Beth Shimanski 11/20/98 57.86	Emily Deppe 11/20/98 58.12	Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 58.33	Sara Rutkowski 11/20/98 58.69
200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.70, 1:59.60)	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:02.92	Ann Cahoy 11/20/98 2:04.07	Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 2:04.24	Amy Mickschl 11/20/98 2:05.12	Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 2:06.86
100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32 ^{4,5,9})	Kate McMillan 11/6/98 1:04.77	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 1:05.41	Elizabeth Pierce 11/20/98 1:06.13	Kim Harrod 11/20/98 1:06.70	Keasha Hoffman 11/20/98 1:10.29
200y Breaststroke (2:14.16, 2:18.18, 2:11.60)	Kate McMillan 11/6/98 2:20.27	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:25.46	Kim Harrod 11/6/98 2:27.58	Keasha Hoffman 11/20/98 2:29.44	
100y Butterfly (54.58, 56.21, 54.24)	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 54.71 *	Jenny Hennen 11/6/98 56.38	Andrea Simakova 11/20/98 56.70	Kim Harrod 11/20/98 59.43	Elizabeth Pierce 11/20/98 59.73
200y Butterfly (2:00.09, 2:03.69, 2:00.09)	Jenny Hennen 11/6/98 2:01.74 *	Andrea Simakova 11/20/98 2:03.48 *	Terri Jashinsky 11/6/98 2:03.95	Karen Egerman 11/20/98 2:14.13	Kim Harrod 11/20/98 2:15.80
200y IM (2:00.94, 2:04.56, 2:02.29)	Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 2:04.54 *	Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 2:06.66	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:06.88	Kate McMillan 11/20/98 2:09.81	
400y IM (4:17.34, 4:25.06, 4:16.25)	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 4:22.95 *	Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 4:25.19	Emily Deppe 11/20/98 4:26.43	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 4:29.25	Keasha Hoffman 11/20/98 4:42.18
200y Free Relay (1:30.76, 1:33.48, 1:32.77)	1:35.09 Amy Cottrill, Katy Christoferson, 11/20/98 Meghan Sonstegard, Beth Shimanski				
400y Free Relay (3:19.16, 3:25.13, 3:22.78)	3:26.52 Katy Christoferson, Terri Jashinsky 11/6/98 Amy Mickschl, Amy Cottrill				
800y Free Relay (7:14.15, 7:27.17, 7:21.43)	7:27.76 Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen, 11/20/98 Terri Jashinsky, Katy Christoferson				
200y Medley Relay (1:41.48, 1:44.52, 1:41.58)	1:44.98 Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan 11/6/98 Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill				
400y Medley Relay (3:39.58, 3:46.16, 3:41.27)	3:47.69 Meghan Sonstegard, Andrea Simakova 11/20/98 Emily Deppe, Katy Christoferson				
1 M Diving (6) (255, 295.12)	T.D. Rowe 11/6/98 258.35	Christina Rinkus 11/6/98 223.40	Tracy LaVoi 11/6/98 222.00	Jessica Metcalf 11/6/98 202.90	
1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 434.20	Tracy LaVoi 11/20/98 356.45			
3 M Diving (6) (270, 332.90)	T.D. Rowe 11/6/98 266.65	Christina Rinkus 11/6/98 243.95	Tracy LaVoi 12/18/98 219.25	Rachelle Giese 12/18/98 202.05	Jessica Metcalf 11/6/98 201.70
3 M Diving (11) (425, 572.75)	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 484.30	Tracy LaVoi 11/20/98 392.25	Christina Rinkus 11/20/98 379.15	Jessica Metcalf 11/20/98 364.25	
Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)	Jessica Metcalf 11/20/98 300.55	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 295.40	Christina Rinkus 11/20/98 267.80	Rachelle Giese 11/20/98 203.05	
Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)					

*Lead-off split time *Varsity record *NCAA automatic qualifying time *Former American Record *All-time Big Ten Record
 *NCAA Consideration time *NCAA Zone diving qualifying *at NCAA Zone C meet *at NCAA Championship *Big Ten Championship Record

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1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

9	Northwest Open	9 a.m.
16	at Badger Classic (Madison, Wis.)	10 a.m.
23	Minnesota Quad	10 a.m.
30	Minnesota Classic	10 a.m.

February

5-6	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	4 p.m.
5-6	at Husker Invitational (Lincoln, Neb.)	9 a.m.
13	Minnesota Open	11 a.m.
20-21	at Big Ten Championships (Ohio State)	

March

5-6	at NCAA Championships (Indianapolis)
21-28	Spring Trip (Rice University)

Home meets in **bold** at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

2-3	at Texas Relays (Austin, Texas)
9-10	at SEA Ray Relays (Tennessee)
17	at UNI Invitational at St. Olaf Invitational
23-24	at Penn Relays (Philadelphia, Pa.)
24-25	at Drake Relays (Des Moines, Iowa)
25	at Macalaster Invitational (St. Paul, Minn.)

May

1	Heartland Classic	10 a.m.
8	Minnesota Open	10 a.m.
8	at North Carolina Invitational	
15	Minnesota Qualifier	10 a.m.
21-23	at Big Ten Championships (Purdue)	

June

2-5	at NCAA Championships (Boise State)
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Home meets in **bold** at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

Northwest Open
Saturday, Jan. 9
9 a.m.

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UP NEXT — Minnesota opens the indoor season by hosting the Northwest Open Saturday at the University Fieldhouse. Field events begin at 9 a.m. and track events at 9:30 a.m. Teams scheduled to compete are Minnesota; North Dakota; St. Cloud State; Minnesota State, Mankato and Lakehead.

GOPHERS RECRUITING CLASS RANKED FOURTH — Minnesota's incoming class, competing in their first collegiate meet Saturday, is ranked fourth in the nation, according to Track and Field News. The magazine cites new student-athletes, javelin thrower **Linda Lindqvist (Harmavagen, Finland)**, distance runners **Rasa Michniovaite (Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius)**, **Victoria Moses (New Brighton, Minn./Irondale)** and **Jill Field (Barnesville, Minn./Barnesville)** and sprinter **Amber Day (Columbia, Minn./Oakland Mills)**. Michniovaite, a cross country All-American who won the NCAA Midwest Regional, and Moses were part of Minnesota's team that placed 26th at the 1998 NCAA Cross Country Championships in Lawrence, Kan.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR — Minnesota returns the team's two 1998 Big Ten champions, **Nicole Chimko (Aldersyde, Alberta/Foothills Composite)** and **Aubrey Schmitt (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)**, to try to improve on last year's seventh-place finish at both the Big Ten indoor and outdoor championships. **Chimko** won the javelin and the discus and earned All-America honors by placing fourth in the javelin at the NCAA Championships. **Schmitt** won the outdoor shot put title at the Big Ten meet a year ago and competed at the national meet in both the shot put and discus.

Minnesota's distance team is coming off its second consecutive trip to the NCAA cross country championship. The Gophers placed 26th in 1998 after a 21st-place finish in 1997. **Rasa Michniovaite**, a junior transfer from the University of Vilnius in Lithuania, leads the way for the Golden Gophers. **Michniovaite** became Minnesota's first winner of the NCAA Midwest Regional, one of four meets she won during the season.

COMING UP — Minnesota will travel to the Badger Classic in Madison, Wis., Saturday, Jan. 16. The Gophers then return home to host the Minnesota Quad Saturday, Jan. 23, at 10 a.m.

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Friday, Jan. 22

- HO hosts Wilfrid Laurier 7 p.m.
- TN hosts Federated Classic
- Minnesota vs. Pepperdine 6:30 p.m.
- DePaul vs. Notre Dame 6:30 p.m.
- BB at Michigan State 6 p.m.
- SW/D at Northwestern 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 23

- GY hosts Utah 7 p.m.
- HO hosts Wilfrid Laurier 7 p.m.
- TN hosts Federated Classic
- Consolation & Champ. 4 p.m.
- SW/D hosts Iowa 2 p.m.
- T/F at Wisconsin-Stout 10 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 24

- BB at Ohio State 1 p.m.

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What's Coming Up

Gymnastics

- No. 7 Golden Gophers host No. 4 Utah
- Tape-delay broadcast of the meet on MSC Sunday at noon

Hockey

- No. 4 Golden Gophers play host to Wilfrid Laurier

Basketball

- Golden Gophers travel to Michigan State and Ohio State

Swimming & Diving

- No. 13 Minnesota faces two Big Ten opponents this weekend

Track & Field

- Minnesota competes at Wisconsin-Stout

Tennis

- Golden Gophers host Federated Classic to kick off spring season

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- Gophers win High Peaks Tournament
- Improve winning streak to 14 games

Basketball

- Gophers go 1-1 on the week
- Brandi Harris a big force for the Gophers in Big Ten play

Gymnastics

- No. 7 Gophers edge No. 5 Michigan in Ann Arbor

Swimming & Diving

- Gophers post stunning defeat over No. 8 Nebraska

Track & Field

- Christine Gulbrandsen and Yvette White set school records

1999 Minnesota Gymnastics

January

2	Intrasquad	
9	Best of Minnesota	
	Minnesota	192.400
	Winona State	178.750
	Hamline	138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus	137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W, 193.550-193.050
23	Utah (MSC)	7 p.m.
30	Alabama	7 p.m.

February

6	Iowa State	7 p.m.
13	Iowa	7 p.m.
20	West Virginia	8 p.m.
27	Illinois	7 p.m.

March

5	Iowa	7 p.m.
7	Iowa State	4 p.m.
12	West Virginia	7 p.m.
21	Denver	2 p.m.
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)	

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)

All home meets in caps and bold are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics



Minnesota hosts Utah
Saturday, Jan. 23, 7 p.m.

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GOPHERS RETURN HOME TO HOST UTAH — Minnesota returns from a win at No. 5 Michigan to host Utah on Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Sports Pavilion. Utah was ranked No. 4 in the preseason coaches poll, while the Golden Gophers were ranked No. 18.

SATURDAY'S MATCH ON MSC — Saturday's match against Utah will be broadcast tape-delayed by Midwest Sports Channel on Sunday at noon. Minnesota welcomes back former Golden Gopher gymnast Kim Sveum, who competed for Minnesota from 1995-98 and holds the vault record at 9.925. She will be joined by MSC commentator Ryan Lefebvre.

GOPHERS NO. 7 AFTER FIRST WEEK OF THE SEASON — Minnesota recorded the seventh-best team score in the first week of competition with a 192.400 at the Best of Minnesota Meet. Preseason coaches poll No. 1 Georgia has the best score, at 195.800. However, many schools, including preseason No. 4 Utah and No. 9 LSU, had not competed when the first poll was conducted. The second poll of the season will be released Tuesday.

1999 GOLDEN GOPHER ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Hometown/H.S./Club
Megan Beuckens	Fr.	Brandon, S.D./Brandon Valley/All American
Judy Cavazos	Jr.	Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste/Elite Gym
Melissa Chang	Jr.	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs
Catie Christensen	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington/Buckeye
MaryAnne Kelley	Fr.	Barrington, Ill./Fremd/All American Academy
Cathy Keyser	Sr.	Plymouth, Minn./Australian Inst. of Sport Twisters
Shanyn Lancaster	So.	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser/Oakland Gymnastics
Jenny Mazzone	Sr.	Sparks, Nev./McQueen/Gymnastics Nevada
Courtney Norman	Fr.	Minneapolis, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall
Cami Phillippi	Jr.	Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area
Mariam Pourshoushtari	Fr.	Rockville, Md./Walter Johnson/Hill's Gymnastics
Kristi Selinger	Jr.	Aurora, Colo./Gateway
Megan Skokut	So.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel/Indy School of Gymnastics
Megan Smith	Fr.	Fargo, N.D./Fargo/American Gold

GOPHERS DEFEAT NO. 7 MICHIGAN — No. 7 Minnesota defeated No. 5 Michigan, 193.550-193.050, on Friday in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Senior **Cathy Keyser**, the 1998 Big Ten balance beam champion, won the beam with a 9.80. Junior **Judy Cavazos** and newcomer **Catie Christensen** tied for the floor exercise title with a 9.80. **Cavazos** also won the all-around with a score of 38.900.

Minnesota fell behind early, with Michigan taking a 98.225-96.625 lead after the first two rotations. The Wolverines recorded the top five vault scores and six of the top seven uneven bars marks, led by a pair of 9.95 scores.

But the Wolverines had a total of five falls from the beam, leading to a meet-low event total of 47.025. Michigan athletes recorded three of the top four balance beam scores but had to include an 8.55 score for their team total.

The Golden Gophers took their first lead after the third rotation. Minnesota won the floor exercise, 48.700 to 47.800. The Gophers then easily won the balance beam,

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48.225-47.025.

TWO GOPHERS COMPETE IN ALL-AROUND — For the first time since the 1997 season, Minnesota has athletes competing in the all-around. Junior Judy Cavazos won the all-around competition Saturday at Michigan, recording a 38.90 after scoring 38.40 at the Best of Minnesota Meet. Newcomer **MaryAnne Kelley** has scored a 38.450 in both of Minnesota's meets so far this season. **Cavazos** broke the school record in the all-around in 1997, her first season, with a mark of 39.30.

MAZZONE FINISHES CAREER — Senior **Jenny Mazzone** had knee surgery Dec. 14 and will not return to the Golden Gopher lineup.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson enter their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 22-7 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. As Minnesota's head coach, Stephenson had a record of 73-83. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson enters her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Meg Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

ABOUT UTAH — Utah, ranked No. 4 in the preseason, has competed once in 1999, a 196.050-192.575 victory over Stanford. Utah athletes won all four individual events and the all-around competition.

Utah returns five All-Americans, losing only one. Senior Angie Leonard is a three-time first-team All-American, earning two awards on the uneven bars and one on the vault during her career. Sophomore Shannon Bowles earned All-America status in only her first year of competition. She tied

for fourth place on both the uneven bars and balance beam and placed eighth in the all around.

Utah placed fourth as a team at the 1998 championships. Utah hosts the NCAA Championships April 22-24 for the first time since winning the title in 1994.

Head coach Greg Marsden is in his 24th year as the only coach in school history. Utah has won nine NCAA titles and has competed at the national championships all 23 years Marsden has coached, finishing at least 10th every year. Marsden has won seven National Coach of the Year awards. He has a regular season record of 335-43-1.

LAST YEAR AGAINST UTAH — No. 2 Utah defeated the Gophers, 194.950-192.175, in Salt Lake City on Feb. 13. Utah swept the top three places in all four individual events. The only Golden Gopher to place in the top three was **Judy Cavazos**, who scored a 9.725 on the floor exercise to take a share of third place.

UTAH CONNECTION — Prior to coming to Minnesota in 1993, Golden Gophers co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson worked with Utah coach Greg Marsden for four years. Jim Stephenson was an assistant coach, while Meg Stephenson was a consultant.

GOPHERS RANKED 7TH — After the first week of the season, Minnesota was seventh in the nation based on team scores. The Golden Gophers scored 192.400 in their first meet, the Best of Minnesota. Georgia was first after scoring a 195.800 in their first meet. Penn State and Alabama were tied for second, with Michigan at No. 5. However, many schools, including preseason No. 4 Utah and No. 9 LSU, had not competed when the first rankings were compiled. The next rankings will be released Tuesday.

PRESEASON POLL — The Golden Gophers were ranked 18th in the Preseason Women's Gymnastics Coaches Poll. Minnesota was one of six Big Ten Conference schools ranked, with Michigan at No. 7, Penn State at No. 13, Ohio State at No. 20, Michigan State at No. 24 and Illinois at No. 25. Iowa also received votes in the poll.

UP NEXT — The Golden Gophers travel to Alabama on Jan. 30. Minnesota returns home for meets Feb. 6 against Iowa State and Feb. 13 against Iowa.

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 4-0 Dual: 1-0 Invites: 0-0 Home: 3-0 Away: 1-0 Big Ten: 1-0 Top 25: 1-0

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of MN	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #7 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 vs. Utah										
1/30 at Alabama										
2/6 vs. Iowa State										
2/13 vs. Iowa										
2/20 at West Virginia										
2/27 at Illinois										
3/5 at Iowa										
3/7 at Iowa State										
3/12 vs. West Virginia										
3/21 vs. Denver										
3/27 Big Ten Championships										

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT

VAULT	9.700	MaryAnne Kelley	at No. 7 Michigan, 1/15
UNEVEN BARS	9.900	Judy Cavazos	vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
BALANCE BEAM	9.800	Cathy Keyser	at No. 7 Michigan, 1/15
FLOOR EXERCISE	9.850	Catie Christensen	vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
ALL-AROUND	38.900	Judy Cavazos	at No. 7 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM VAULT	48.250		at No. 7 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	48.375		at No. 7 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	48.275		vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	48.950		vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	193.550		at No. 7 Michigan, 1/15

*-school record



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 7-10 Big Ten: 2-5

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at S. Florida	W, 68-64 (OT)
19	at Stetson	W, 62-57
28	at Wisconsin*	L, 59-70
30	at Purdue*	L, 52-73

January

3	Penn State*	L, 43-72
5	Iowa*	L, 58-66
10	at Michigan*	W, 54-47
15	at Northwestern*	W, 70-68
17	Indiana*	L, 66-80
22	at Michigan State*	7 p.m.
24	at Ohio State*	2 p.m.
29	Illinois*	7 p.m.
31	Northwestern*	2 p.m.

February

5	Michigan*	7 p.m.
12	at Iowa*	7:30 p.m.
14	at Penn State*	2 p.m.
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament
12-15	at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round
20-22	at NCAA Regionals
26-28	at NCAA Final Four

Home games in **bold** are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



at Michigan State
Friday, Jan. 22, 7 p.m. (EST)

at Ohio State
Sunday, Jan. 24, 2 p.m. (EST)

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The University of Minnesota women's basketball team returns to the road this week with games at Michigan State and Ohio State. Minnesota has won its last two Big Ten road games at Michigan and Northwestern. The win at Evanston was the first in 16 tries at Welsh-Ryan Arena. The Gophers need one more victory to double their victory total from each of the past three seasons. Minnesota needs one more Big Ten victory to surpass its conference victory total for the last three years combined. Minnesota had a .500 non-conference record this season for the first time since 1994-95, finishing its 10 non-league games at 5-5.

BROADCAST INFORMATION — Both games this weekend will be broadcast by KKMS Radio (980 AM) in the Twin Cities. Paul Barnes and Sarah Pearman will have the call of the games in East Lansing and Columbus. The remainder of the Gopher season will be broadcast by KKMS with the exception of the Jan. 29 game against Illinois. Minnesota's next televised game in the Twin Cities will be Jan. 31 against Northwestern on Midwest Sports Channel.

STARTING LINEUP — Minnesota has started the same five players for the past three games. **Kim Bell (Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn)** has been the starting center for the past three games. **Bell's** first start was last Sunday at Michigan and responded with four points and a career-high six rebounds in 17 minutes. **Brandi Harris (Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC)** and **Swantreca Taylor (Donaldsville, La./Como Park HS)** have started the last five games for Minnesota. **Harris** has led the Gophers in scoring in three of those five games. The other two Minnesota starters are **Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparral)**, who has started all 17 games for Minnesota, and **Erin Olson (Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell)**, who has started the last 15 games and leads the Gophers in minutes played.

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach **Cheryl Littlejohn** is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 11-33 (.250) record in her two-year collegiate career. **Littlejohn** served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. **Littlejohn** played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT MICHIGAN STATE — The Spartans enter the week alone in fifth place in the Big Ten standings. They have wins over three teams below them in the standings (Northwestern, Wisconsin, Iowa) and have losses against three teams above them (Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue). Michigan State will play at Michigan on Wednesday before hosting the Gophers on Friday and Illinois on Sunday.

Junior guard Maxann Reese (16.6 points per game) and junior forward Kristen Rasmussen (15.1 points per game) are the two leading scorers for Michigan State. Both players scored 18 points in Michigan State's 70-64 win over Iowa on Sunday. Rasmussen is fifth in the Big Ten with 8.4 rebounds per game.

Head coach Karen Langeland is in her 23rd year at Michigan State and has a school and career record of 349-271 (.563).

THE SERIES — Michigan State leads 19-12. Minnesota won its lone Big Ten game a year ago, 81-73, at East Lansing on Jan. 11, 1998. **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** led Minnesota with 18 points. The Spartans avenged the loss with a 68-60 win at the Sports Pavilion on Feb. 6, 1998. Langeland has been the Michigan State coach for all 31 meetings, while Littlejohn is 1-1 lifetime against the Spartans.

ABOUT OHIO STATE — The 22nd-ranked Buckeyes were enjoying a climb up the Big Ten standings and the Associate Press poll until a 48-41 loss at Northwestern on Sunday. Previous to that game, Ohio State had won five consecutive Big Ten contests, including road wins at Penn State, Michigan State and Indiana. The Buckeyes will not play again until they host the Gophers on Sunday.

Senior forwards Larecha Jones and Marrita Porter are the Buckeyes' leading scorers, averaging 13.6 points per game. Porter has been more successful in conference play, averaging 15.8 points per game, which ranks eighth among league leaders. She was the only player in double figures at Northwestern, scoring 14 points.

Head coach Beth Burns is in her second season at Ohio State and has a record of 27-16 (.628) at the school. Her 10-year career record is 178-98 (.645).

THE SERIES — Ohio State leads 32-5. The Buckeyes won both meetings last season, defeating the Gophers 73-60 at the Sports Pavilion on Jan. 16, 1998, and 71-53 in Columbus on Feb. 1, 1998. Ohio State has won the last two meetings against Minnesota and has not lost to the Gophers in Columbus since 1981 (16 games). This will be Minnesota's first appearance in the new Value City Arena, which seats 19,500 for basketball.

GOPHER REWIND: INDIANA — The Hoosiers used a 17-2 run midway through the second half to defeat Minnesota 80-66 at the Sports Pavilion. Indiana used an 18-0 spurt to take a 20-4 lead in the first half and led 37-20 at halftime. Minnesota scored 18 of the first 22 points of the second half to pull to within three, but could get no closer. **Brandi Harris** scored a career-high 20 points, all in the second half, and became the second Gopher this season to record a 20-point game. Minnesota scored a season-high nine three-pointers, but allowed Indiana to shoot 66.7 percent (10-for-15) from beyond the arc.

GOPHER REWIND: NORTHWESTERN — Minnesota went on a 10-4 run in the last 3:56 to defeat the Wildcats 70-68 in Evanston and achieve its first win at Welsh-Ryan Arena in 16 games. The Gophers led 69-68 in the game's final seconds and forced a missed shot in Northwestern's final possession. **Moneeke Bowden (Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC)** made one of two free throws with 0.9 seconds remaining to provide the game's final margin. The Gophers had their second-best scoring game of the season and their second-best shooting game (48.2 percent) of the campaign.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Home	Road	Overall
Purdue	6-0	4-0	2-0	14-1
Ohio State	5-1	2-0	3-1	12-4
Penn State	4-2	2-1	2-1	12-4
Illinois	4-3	3-1	1-2	10-7
Michigan State	3-3	2-1	1-2	9-7
Iowa	3-4	2-1	1-3	8-9
Wisconsin	3-4	3-0	0-4	8-9
Northwestern	2-4	1-3	1-1	8-8
Indiana	2-5	1-3	1-2	13-8
MINNESOTA	2-5	0-3	2-2	7-10
Michigan	1-4	0-2	1-2	9-6

BIG TEN UPDATE — Purdue took over sole possession of first place in the Big Ten with Ohio State's loss at Northwestern on Sunday. Penn State won games at home against Iowa and at Michigan to solidify third place in the conference. Michigan and Michigan State will play three Big Ten games this week because of the makeup game that the two teams will play Wednesday at Ann Arbor. Ohio State (Friday) and Iowa (Sunday) will have the two byes this weekend. The home team is 20-15 (.571) after 35 Big Ten games.

ROBINSON CONTINUES TO LEAD — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continues to lead Minnesota in both scoring and rebounding. **Sonja Robinson** is 5-11, and normally starts against players that are considerably taller than she is. That has not stopped her from compiling some impressive numbers for the Gophers. **Robinson** leads Minnesota in scoring at 11.1 points per game and rebounding at 7.6 rebounds per game. She had a team-leading 15 points and nine rebounds against Northwestern last Friday. In the Big Ten opener at Wisconsin, **Robinson** earned her first double-double of the season, scoring 14 points and pulling down 11 rebounds. She has established new career highs in a season with 188 points and 130 rebounds. **Robinson** has scored 10 or more points 10 times and has led or shared the lead in Gopher scoring seven times. She has three of Minnesota's four double-figure rebounding efforts this season.

OLSON CONTINUES SOLID PLAY — Erin Olson continues to be a steady influence at the point guard position for the Gophers. Olson is leading the Gophers in several categories, including minutes (35.1 per game), three-point percentage (.500), assists (71) and steals (25). Her eight assists against Indiana matched her career high and is Minnesota's top assist performance of the season. Olson's 5.3 assist-per-game average in the Big Ten ties her for fourth among conference players. Minnesota's fourth-leading scorer (7.4 points per game) is second on the team with 64 defensive rebounds and nine blocked shots.

VANDERHEYDEN VERBAGE — Minnesota has a bench player leading the Gophers in scoring for the Big Ten season. First-year guard Cassie VanderHeyden (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis) is averaging 12.1 points per game, helped by her Big Ten-leading 20 three-pointers. VanderHeyden established career highs with 21 points and six triples in the Big Ten opener at Wisconsin. VanderHeyden has made at least one triple in 15 consecutive games and 16 of Minnesota's 17 contests this season. VanderHeyden has 38 of Minnesota's 79 trifectas this season, and her .322 percentage behind the arc ranks sixth among Big Ten players. VanderHeyden needs five three-pointers to move into Minnesota's all-time single season top five.

HARRIS MAKING A DIFFERENCE — During the non-conference season, Brandi Harris played in each of the 10 games, but her contributions were limited. She scored in three of the 10 games, including two points in an eight-game span. The conference season has been a completely different story. Harris is Minnesota's second-leading scorer in Big Ten games, averaging 9.6 points per conference game. She is the Gophers' top shooter from the field (40.4 percent) and from beyond the arc (41.9 per-

cent). Her three-point percentage is second in the Big Ten. She has a team-leading 11 steals in the seven Big Ten games. A look by the numbers:

	Min.	Pts.	Reb.	Stl.
Non-Conf.	8.2	1.6	1.4	0.3
Big Ten	19.7	9.6	3.1	1.6

DEE-FENSE, DEE-FENSE — Minnesota has a promotion for home games that if the Gophers hold their opponents to under 65 points, 65 of the lucky fans in the stands receive X-65 T-shirts from the Gopher players. If the first 17 games are any indication, the T-shirt manufacturing plant had better get busy. Minnesota has held its opponents under 65 points for nine of the 17 games this season. Six of Minnesota's seven Big Ten opponents have exceeded 65 points, but six of those seven teams were held under their season scoring average. The Gophers' defensive average of 64.7 points is nearly eight points better than last year's average and ranks fifth in the Big Ten Conference.

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench has been a source of strength this season, outscoring its opponents in 14 of 17 games. Last week, Minnesota's bench had superior production in both games, outscoring the Northwestern bench 35-3 and the Indiana bench 30-8. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 438-265, an 10.2 point-per-game surplus from the bench.

WHAT'S NEXT — Minnesota returns to the Sports Pavilion for the next two weeks. The Gophers will host Illinois on Friday, Jan. 29 at 7 p.m. and Northwestern on Sunday, Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. The Northwestern game will be broadcast at 4 p.m. on a tape-delay basis on Midwest Sports Channel as part of the Big Ten regional package from Fox Sports Chicago. Minnesota will play five of its last seven regular season games at the Sports Pavilion.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 01/17/99
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(7-10)	(2-4)	(4-5)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(2-5)	(0-3)	(2-2)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-5)	(2-1)	(2-3)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10)Tate, Jackie (10)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15)Bowden, Moneeke	(7)Tate, Jackie (7)LeCuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11)Olson, Erin (11)Taylor, Swantreca	(13)Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16)Robinson, Sonja (16)LeCuyer, Theresa	(8)Olson, Erin (8)Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja (9)LeCuyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16)Olson, Erin	(10)Robinson, Sonja
12/16/98	7 p.m.	at South Florida	68-64	W OT	110	(13)Olson, Erin (13)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Bowden, Moneeke
12/19/98	7 p.m.	at Stetson	62-57	W	242	(16)Tate, Jackie	(9)Tate, Jackie
12/28/98	7 p.m.	* at Wisconsin	59-70	L	8760	(21)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(11)Robinson, Sonja
12/30/98	7:30 p.m.	* at Purdue	52-73	L	9330	(13)Olson, Erin	(7)Tate, Jackie
1/3/99	2 p.m.	* PENN STATE	43-72	L	2081	(16)Harris, Brandi	(7)VanderHeyden, Cassie (7)Robinson, Sonja
1/5/99	7 p.m.	* IOWA	58-66	L	1446	(12)Harris, Brandi	(5)Robinson, Sonja (5)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/10/99	7 p.m.	* at Michigan	54-47	W	796	(17)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(12)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/15/99	7 p.m.	* at Northwestern	70-68	W	770	(15)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Olson, Erin (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/17/99	2 p.m.	* INDIANA	66-80	L	1937	(20)Harris, Brandi	(9)Harris, Brandi

* Big Ten ! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic @ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	7,948	1,325
AWAY.....	22,596	2,511
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	34,092	2,005

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SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 01/17/99
ALL GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S -	A V G									
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG																
21 Robinson, Sonja	17	17	579	34.1	80	185	.432	0	1	.000	28	41	.683	60	70	130	7.6	44	1	18	33	7	16	188	11.1	
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	17	2	346	20.4	56	162	.346	38	118	.322	14	19	.737	11	30	41	2.4	37	1	35	42	0	21	164	9.6	
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	17	12	381	22.4	54	128	.422	4	10	.400	44	72	.611	38	46	84	4.9	31	1	25	32	1	17	156	9.2	
04 Olson, Erin	17	15	597	35.1	42	114	.368	11	22	.500	30	38	.789	11	64	75	4.4	32	1	71	55	9	25	125	7.4	
15 Tate, Jackie	17	6	438	25.8	41	93	.441	0	0	.000	25	31	.806	35	53	88	5.2	45	2	17	39	8	16	107	6.3	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	16	5	268	16.8	32	106	.302	8	22	.364	22	45	.489	22	45	67	4.2	43	1	12	27	5	19	94	5.9	
05 Harris, Brandi	17	6	220	12.9	29	87	.333	16	39	.410	9	16	.563	15	21	36	2.1	31	1	10	32	0	14	83	4.9	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	12	4	138	11.5	12	56	.214	1	15	.067	9	18	.500	6	14	20	1.7	23	1	9	17	0	5	34	2.8	
12 Hansen, Mindy	17	2	134	7.9	14	36	.389	0	3	.000	3	8	.375	15	11	26	1.5	17	0	13	15	1	5	31	1.8	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	16	13	202	12.6	7	36	.194	1	5	.200	10	13	.769	15	11	26	1.6	19	0	23	20	0	10	25	1.6	
54 Bell, Kim	14	3	117	8.4	8	29	.276	0	0	.000	2	4	.500	5	20	25	1.8	27	1	1	16	19	1	18	1.3	
35 Schaffer, Erin	1	0	5	5.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	3	1	4	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0	
30 Pickens, Brandy	8	0	25	3.1	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	3	6	.500	1	5	6	0.8	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.4	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														38	39	77										10
Minnesota	17		3450		375	1034	.363	79	235	.336	200	313	.639	275	430	705	41.5	351	10	234	338	50	149	1029	60.5	
Opponents	17		3450		391	985	.397	65	202	.322	253	375	.675	226	446	672	39.5	295		248	311	73	147	1100	64.7	

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	517	565	18	0	0	0	1100
Minnesota	453	563	13	0	0	0	1029

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SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 01/17/99
CONFERENCE GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S -	A V G									
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG																
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	7	0	173	24.7	29	82	.354	20	59	.339	7	10	.700	8	16	24	3.4	20	0	20	23	0	8	85	12.1	
05 Harris, Brandi	7	6	138	19.7	23	57	.404	13	31	.419	8	13	.615	9	13	22	3.1	17	1	7	20	0	11	67	9.6	
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33 LeCuyer, Theresa	7	4	139	19.9	17	45	.378	2	4	.500	14	23	.609	14	17	31	4.4	10	0	13	11	0	7	50	7.1	
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04 Olson, Erin	7	7	245	35.0	12	41	.293	2	6	.333	6	7	.857	3	18	21	3.0	13	0	37	23	4	10	32	4.6	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	6	1	70	11.7	9	29	.310	3	7	.429	4	10	.400	8	12	20	3.3	16	1	2	8	1	8	25	4.2	
54 Bell, Kim	7	3	78	11.1	7	19	.368	0	0	.000	2	2	1.00	2	11	13	1.9	22	1	1	7	9	1	16	2.3	
12 Hansen, Mindy	7	0	36	5.1	5	12	.417	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	2	0	2	0.3	4	0	5	5	0	4	10	1.4	
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TEAM REBOUNDS.....														25	18	43										4
Minnesota	7		1400		151	429	.352	40	110	.364	60	88	.682	110	159	269	38.4	147	5	107	140	19	64	402	57.4	
Opponents	7		1400		166	393	.422	32	94	.340	112	169	.663	94	183	277	39.6	106		111	124	30	70	476	68.0	

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	229	247	0	0	0	0	476
Minnesota	191	211	0	0	0	0	402



University of Minnesota
Women's Athletics

1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. Pepperdine 6:30 p.m.
24 Consolation & Championship
Matches 4 p.m.
30 vs. Western Michigan 11 a.m.
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 Marquette (Milwaukee, Wis.) 9 a.m.

FEBRUARY

4-7 at Rolex National Indoor Championship
7 Illinois-Chicago 8 a.m.
12 at Syracuse 3 p.m.
13 vs. Maryland (at Syracuse) 2 p.m.
20 Illinois 5 p.m.
27 Indiana 5 p.m.
28 Purdue 10 a.m.

MARCH

5 at Iowa State 3 p.m.
6 at Drake 10 a.m.
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)
14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home games in caps and bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

Federated Insurance Court Classic

Friday, Jan. 22

Minnesota vs. Pepperdine / DePaul vs. Notre Dame, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 23

Consolation and Championship Matches, 4 p.m.

Contact: Crystal Colby 612/624-3335, colb0037@tc.umn.edu

GOPHERS HOST FEDERATED INSURANCE COURT CLASSIC —
Minnesota opens the spring season by hosting the Federated Insurance Court Classic Friday-Saturday at the Northwest Athletic Club at 98th Street in Bloomington, Minn. On Friday, Minnesota takes on Pepperdine at 6:30 p.m., with DePaul and Notre Dame also squaring off at 6:30 p.m. On Saturday, the consolation and championship matches begin at 4 p.m.

THE FEDERATED INSURANCE FIELD —

PEPPERDINE — The Waves were ranked No. 15 in the fall rankings. Senior Angela Lawrence is ranked No. 42 in singles and No. 45 in doubles with senior partner Nicola Kaiwai. Lawrence had a 6-6 fall record, and sophomore Ipek Senoglu a 4-2 record. Sophomore Anh Nguyen returns to her hometown of Bloomington, Minn., for the Federated Insurance Court Classic. The Golden Gophers are 0-3 against Pepperdine, with the most recent meeting on March 23, 1983. Head coach Gualberto Escudero is in his 22nd season at Pepperdine and sports a career record of 382-189, all at Pepperdine.

NOTRE DAME — No. 16 Notre Dame has three players ranked in singles, with sophomore Michelle Dasso (6-4 fall record) at No. 23, newcomer Becky Varnum (13-5) tied for No. 51 and senior Jennifer Hall (5-6) tied at No. 100. Newcomer Kelly Vaughn and junior Kelly Zalinski are ranked No. 37 in doubles with a 6-3 fall record, and Hall and Dasso ranked No. 39 with a 5-2 fall record. Notre Dame holds a 4-1 series record over the Golden Gophers, including an 8-1 victory at Notre Dame Feb. 28, 1998. The Fighting Irish defeated Minnesota in the 1993 Federated Insurance Court Classic, 7-2, and defeated Baylor and Vanderbilt in the 1996 Court Classic. Head coach Jay Louderback is in his 10th year at Notre Dame, with a 154-82 record at Notre Dame and a career mark of 358-260 in 19 seasons.

DePAUL — DePaul is coming off a 17-11 season in 1998, including a winning streak of 13 matches. Minnesota has a 2-0 series record against DePaul, with wins at home Feb. 11, 1996 and Feb. 9, 1997. Head coach Mark Ardizzone is in his third season at DePaul.

MINNESOTA — The Golden Gophers are ranked No. 47. Minnesota finished the 1998 campaign with an 11-10 record, 6-4 in the Big Ten Conference.

MINNESOTA'S FALL RESULTS — Sophomore **Tammy Wang (Grand Island, Neb./Grand Island)** ended the fall season with a perfect 4-0 record. All four of Wang's wins came at the Florida State Classic, where she won the Flight C Singles crown. **Kim Simonsen (Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West)** was second in winning percentage with a 6-3 record. **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** finished with an 8-5 record, while **Sitinee (Alice) Rangsitienchai (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor)** had an 11-7 fall record.

In doubles, the team of **Sauska** and newcomer **Jen Howard (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea)** finished with an .875 winning percentage (7-1). **Sauska** and **Howard** won the Flight B Doubles title at the UNLV Invitational. Their one loss came in the finals of Flight B Doubles at the Florida State Classic.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — **Martin Novak** enters his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gopher women's tennis team. **Novak** has compiled an 82-95. Last

season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten. **Novak** earned a bachelor's degree in education with a concentration in kinesiology from Texas Christian University in 1984. He attended the University of Arkansas and received a master's degree in physical education with a concentration in sports management in 1988.

**1998-99 University of Minnesota
Women's Tennis Statistics**

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Fall	Big Ten	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang							4-0		4-0	1.000
Kim Simonsen							6-3		6-3	.667
Alice Rangsithienchai							11-7		11-7	.611
Nora Sauska							8-5		8-5	.615
Tarah Elkins							3-2		3-2	.600
Jana Hrdinova							3-3		3-3	.500
Jen Howard							3-3		3-3	.500
Andrea Rose							2-3		2-3	.400
Totals							40-26		40-26	.606

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Fall	Big Ten	Total	Pct.
Sauska/Howard				7-1		7-1	.825
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1		2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1		1-1	.500
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2		1-2	.333
Hrdinova/Simonsen				3-3		3-3	.333
Elkins/Rangsithienchai				1-2		1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai				0-1		0-1	.000
Totals				15-11		15-11	.577

1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

9	Northwest Open	unscored
16	at Badger Classic (Madison, Wis.)	unscored
23	at Wis.-Stout	10 a.m.
30	Minnesota Classic	10 a.m.

February

5-6	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	4 p.m.
5-6	at Husker Invitational (Lincoln, Neb.)	9 a.m.
13	Minnesota Open	11 a.m.
20-21	at Big Ten Championships (Ohio State)	

March

5-6	at NCAA Championships (Indianapolis)
21-28	Spring Trip (Rice University)

Home meets in **bold** at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

2-3	at Texas Relays (Austin, Texas)
9-10	at SEA Ray Relays (Tennessee)
17	at UNI Invitational at St. Olaf Invitational
23-24	at Penn Relays (Philadelphia, Pa.)
24-25	at Drake Relays (Des Moines, Iowa)
25	at Macalaster Invitational (St. Paul, Minn.)

May

1	Heartland Classic	10 a.m.
8	Minnesota Open	10 a.m.
8	at North Carolina Invitational	
15	Minnesota Qualifier	10 a.m.
21-23	at Big Ten Chammpionships (Purdue)	

June

2-5	at NCAA Championships (Boise State)
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Home meets in **bold** at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

at Wisconsin-Stout
Saturday, Jan. 23
Menominee, Wis.

SID Contact: Crystal Colby (612) 624-3335
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UP NEXT — Minnesota travels to the University of Wisconsin-Stout Saturday in Menominee, Wis.

GULBRANDSEN, WHITE SET SCHOOL RECORDS — Junior **Christine Gulbrandsen (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole)** set a Minnesota and Camp Randall Memorial Sports Center record in the pole vault Saturday at the unscored Badger Track Classic in Madison, Wis. **Gulbrandsen** recorded a jump of 11-1 3/4 (3.40m) to win the event. She also placed third in the long jump at 18-10 3/4, the fourth-best mark in Minnesota history.

Senior **Yvette White (Washington, D.C./Woodrow Wilson)** set a school record in winning the 60-meter hurdles in a time of 8.72 seconds. That time breaks the mark of 8.79 set last week by teammate **Neketa Sears (Nassau, Bahamas/C.J. Gibson Secondary School)**. **White** also placed second in the 600 meters in 1:34.47, the second-fastest time in Minnesota history.

SCHMITT PROVISIONALLY QUALIFIES — Sophomore **Aubrey Schmitt (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)** provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in the shot put with a winning mark of 49-10. She also placed second in the weight throw with a toss of 52-9 1/2.

RELAY TEAM SETS TOP-10 TIME — Minnesota's 4x400 relay team of senior **Kim Heath (Pittsburgh, Pa./Schenley)**, **Yvette White**, junior **Natalie Smith (St. Thomas, Barbados/St. Michael School)** and **Neketa Sears** placed second in 3:52.58, which ranks sixth all-time for the Golden Gophers.

HILL SETS PERSONAL BEST — Sophomore **Angie Hill (Poplar Bluff, Mo./Poplar Bluff)** set a personal best in the weight throw Saturday by nearly four and a half feet. **Hill** placed fifth with a mark of 51-2 1/4, surpassing her previous best of 46-8 3/4 set Jan. 9 at the Northwest Open.

COMING UP — Minnesota returns home to host the Minnesota Classic on Saturday, Jan. 30, at 10 a.m.

1999 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

60 Meters

1. Kim Heath (a)	7.74
2. Pattie Galle (a)	8.21
3. Stacie Blaskowski (b)	8.24

200 meters

1. Pattie Galle (b)	26.80
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400 meters

1. Pattie Galle (a)	60.99
2. Jessica Shuster (a)	61.00
3. Alissa Bruss (b)	61.74

600 meters

1. Yvette White (b)	1:34.47
2. Neketa Sears (b)	1:38.93

800 meters

1. Neketa Sears (a)	2:28.45
2. Yvette White (a)	2:29.48

Mile

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (b)	10:00.18
2. Corinne Nimtz (b)	10:04.69
3. Aimee Daus (b)	10:09.08

5000 meters

60 meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	8.72*
2. Neketa Sears (a)	8.79
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	9.48

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Smith, Sears (b)	3:52.58
2. Minnesota B (b)	4:08.43

Distance Medley Relay

High Jump

1. Alissa Bruss (b)	5-2 1/4 (1.58)
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Long Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	18-10 3/4 (5.76)
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Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (b)	49-10 (15.19)
2. Nicole Chimko (b)	45-8 (13.92)
3. Jenney Luer (b)	41-1 3/4 (12.54)

Weight Throw

1. Aubrey Schmitt (a)	54-9 1/2 (16.70)
2. Brenda Meyer (b)	51-8 1/2 (15.76)
3. Angie Hill (b)	51-2 1/4 (15.60)

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	11-1 3/4 (3.40)*
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	10-2 (3.10)

* School Record

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, Minn.)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, Wis.)



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
(Chapel Hill, N.C.)
def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
def. S. Carolina 278-92
tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
(Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 Minnesota Invitational
(1st/12 teams, 1,045.5 pts.)

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
Swimmers - Maui, Hawaii
Divers - Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

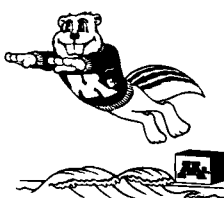
- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
(Austin, Texas)
- 9 Gold Country Invitational
(1st/13 teams, 1,257 pts.)
- 16 Nebraska W, 170-130
- 22 at Northwestern 6 p.m.
- 23 Iowa 2 p.m.
- 29-30 Quad Duals 6 p.m./noon
Minnesota, Wisconsin
Purdue, Illinois
(Indianapolis, Ind.)

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 Minnesota Challenge
Fri./Sat. 6 p.m./noon
- 18-20 Big Ten Championship
Thur.-Sat. 11 a.m./7 p.m.
- 27 Go-Pher-It Inv. TBA

MARCH

- 12-13 Zone C Diving
(Bloomington, Ind.)
 - 18-20 NCAA Championships
(Athens, Ga.)
- Home meets at the University
Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard
Pool



**1998-99 Minnesota
Swimming & Diving**

Minnesota at Northwestern - Friday, Jan. 22, 1999
Minnesota vs. Iowa - Saturday, Jan. 23, 1999
SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHERS FACE TWO BIG TEN OPPONENTS THIS WEEK —

The No. 13 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team competes against two Big Ten foes in dual meets this week, traveling to Evanston, Ill., on Friday, Jan. 22 to face No. 11 Northwestern, then returning home on Saturday, Jan. 23 to host Iowa. The Golden Gophers' meet with Iowa begins at 2 p.m. at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool.

GOPHERS GARNER BIG WIN OVER NEBRASKA — The No. 13 Minnesota women's swimming and diving team used its strength in numbers to soundly defeat No. 8 Nebraska, 170-130, in a dual meet at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool on Saturday.

The Golden Gophers downed their second top-10 ranked opponent this season (Minnesota defeated then No. 7 Michigan in November) by capturing firsts in nine of 16 events, but the winning margin was a result of the Gophers' 28 top-three finishes of the allowable 48. Minnesota swept the top three spots in the 1-meter springboard and the 200-yard butterfly.

Minnesota diver **T.D. Rowe (Issaquah, Wash./Liberty)** won both diving titles, winning the 1-meter board with a score of 253.20 and the 3-meter at 310.73. Rowe, a senior Gopher co-captain, spent the first two years of her collegiate career diving for the Huskers.

Junior **Terri Jashinsky (Menomonee Falls, Wis./Menomonee Falls)** was the only other double winner for the Gophers. Jashinsky won the 100-yard butterfly in 55.42 seconds and swam the third leg of the winning 200-yard medley relay clocked at 1:45.16.

Minnesota first-place finishes:

200 medley relay	1:45.16	Emily Deppe (Green Valley, Calif.), Kate McMillan (Palatine, Ill.), Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill (Fairport, N.Y.)
1000 freestyle	10:11.46	Jinny Smedstad (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)
1-meter diving	253.20	T.D. Rowe
100 backstroke	57.90	Beth Shimanski (Hutchinson, Minn.)
200 butterfly	2:01.19	Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Wis.)
3-meter diving	310.73	T.D. Rowe
200 backstroke	2:03.83	Ann Cahoy (Hudson, Wis.)
200 breaststroke	2:19.57	Elizabeth Pierce Bismark, N.D.)
100 butterfly	55.42	Terri Jashinsky

FLYIN GOPHERS — Junior Terri Jashinsky is the most recent addition to the trio of Gophers to post NCAA consideration times in the 200 butterfly. Jashinsky swam a time of 2:03.05 in finishing second versus Nebraska. Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Minn./Anoka) bettered her consideration time in winning the event with a time of 2:01.19. Senior **Ada Simakova (Brno, Czech Republic/Botanicka Gymnasium)** is the third Gopher clocked in a consideration time of 2:03.48 in November.

**University of Minnesota
1998-99 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores**

Overall: 26-0-1 Dual Record: 3-0-1 Big Ten: 1-0 Invitationals: 23-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/6-7/98	vs. #7 Michigan	W	12th	230.5-139.5	1/23/99	Iowa			
11/6-7/98	at #16 North Carolina	T	12th	185-185	1/29-30/99	vs. Wisconsin (at Indianapolis)			
11/6-7/98	vs. South Carolina	W	12th	278-92	1/29-30/99	vs. Purdue (at Indianapolis)			
11/13-14/98	at Meet of Champions	Exb.	12th	n/a	1/29-30/99	vs. Illinois (at Indianapolis)			
11/20-22/98	Minnesota Invite	1st/12	13th	1045.5	2/5-6/99	Minnesota Challenge			
12/13-24/98	Training Trip (Hawaii/Florida)		13th	n/a	2/18-20/99	Big Ten Championships			
1/6-10/99	at All-American Inv. (Divers)		13th	n/a	2/27/99	Gopher Invitational			
1/9/99	Gold Country Invite	1st/13	13th	1257	3/12-13/99	at NCAA Zone C Diving (Bloomington, Ind.)			
1/16/99	#8 Nebraska	W	13th	170-130	3/18-20/99	at NCAA Championships (Athens, Ga.)			
1/22/99	at Northwestern								

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (22.78, 23.46, 22.97)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 23.68	Terri Jashinsky 1/9/99 23.96	Meghan Sonstegard 1/16/99 24.29	Jenny Hennen 1/9/99 24.31	Beth Shimanski 11/20/98 24.38
100y Free (49.39, 50.87, 50.28)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 51.45	Jenny Hennen 1/16/99 51.49	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 51.79	Katy Christoferson 1/9/99 51.93	Meghan Sonstegard 11/20/98 52.39
200y Free (1:47.58, 1:50.80, 1:48.52)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 1:50.27 ⁶	Jenny Hennen 1/16/99 1:51.99	Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 1:52.63	Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 1:52.87	Amy Mickschl 11/6/98 1:53.98
500y Free (4:46.31, 4:54.89, 4:46.95 ⁹)	Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 4:54.44 ⁶	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 5:01.52	Amy Mickschl 11/20/98 5:05.36	Jenny Hennen 11/20/98 5:05.80	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 5:06.58
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68)	Jinny Smedstad 1/16/99 10:11.46	Marta Knowles 1/16/99 10:23.00	Briana Rygg 1/16/99 10:53.54	Shelley Miller 11/6/98 10:54.56	
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)	Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 17:18.40	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 17:30.11	Shelley Miller 1/9/99 18:02.22	Briana Rygg 1/9/99 18:04.88	Kim Hamren 1/9/99 18:54.11
100y Backstroke (54.87, 56.51, 54.21)	Ann Cahoy 1/16/98 57.85	Beth Shimanski 11/20/98 57.86	Emily Deppe 11/20/98 58.12	Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 58.33	Sara Rutkowski 11/20/98 58.69
200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.70, 1:59.60)	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:02.92	Ann Cahoy 1/16/99 2:03.83	Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 2:04.24	Amy Mickschl 1/16/99 2:04.68	Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 2:06.86
100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32 ^{4,5,9})	Kate McMillan 1/16/99 1:04.71	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 1:05.41	Elizabeth Pierce 11/20/98 1:06.13	Kelsey Hegener 1/9/99 1:06.32	Kim Harrod 11/20/98 1:06.70
200y Breaststroke (2:14.16, 2:18.18, 2:11.60)	Elizabeth Pierce 1/16/99 2:19.57	Kate McMillan 1/16/99 2:19.63	Katy Christoferson 1/9/99 2:22.67	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:25.46	Kelsey Hegener 1/9/99 2:26.08
100y Butterfly (54.58, 56.21, 54.24)	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 54.71 ⁶	Jenny Hennen 11/6/98 56.38	Andrea Simakova 11/20/98 56.70	Kim Harrod 11/20/98 59.43	Kim Hamren 1/16/99 59.43
200y Butterfly (2:00.09, 2:03.69, 2:00.09)	Jenny Hennen 1/16/99 2:01.19 ⁶	Terri Jashinsky 1/16/99 2:03.05 ⁶	Andrea Simakova 11/20/98 2:03.48 ⁶	Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 2:08.57	Emily Deppe 1/9/99 2:10.31
200y IM (2:00.94, 2:04.56, 2:02.29)	Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 2:04.54 ⁶	Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 2:06.66	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:06.88	Jenny Hennen 1/9/99 2:08.04	Kate McMillan 11/20/98 2:09.81
400y IM (4:17.34, 4:25.06, 4:16.25)	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 4:22.95 ⁶	Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 4:25.19	Emily Deppe 11/20/98 4:26.43	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 4:29.25	Keasha Hoffman 11/20/98 4:42.18
200y Free Relay (1:30.76, 1:33.48, 1:32.77)	1:35.09 Amy Cottrill, Katy Christoferson, 11/20/98 Meghan Sonstegard, Beth Shimanski				
400y Free Relay (3:19.16, 3:25.13, 3:22.78)	3:26.52 Katy Christoferson, Terri Jashinsky 11/6/98 Amy Mickschl, Amy Cottrill				
800y Free Relay (7:14.15, 7:27.17, 7:21.43)	7:27.76 Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen, 11/20/98 Terri Jashinsky, Katy Christoferson				
200y Medley Relay (1:41.48, 1:44.52, 1:41.58)	1:44.98 Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan 11/6/98 Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill				
400y Medley Relay (3:39.58, 3:46.16, 3:41.27)	3:47.69 Meghan Sonstegard, Andrea Simakova 11/20/98 Emily Deppe, Katy Christoferson				
1 M Diving (6) (255, 295.12)	T.D. Rowe 11/6/98 258.35	Christina Rinkus 1/16/99 252.45	Tracy LaVoi 1/16/99 248.93	Rachel Degener 1/16/99 233.70	Alison Schiefelbein 1/16/99 186.15
1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 434.20	Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 391.60	Tracy LaVoi 11/20/98 356.45	Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 322.90	
3 M Diving (6) (270, 332.90)	T.D. Rowe 1/16/99 310.73	Christina Rinkus 1/16/99 250.13	Tracy LaVoi 1/16/99 230.33	Rachel Degener 1/16/99 224.03	Rachelle Giese 12/18/98 202.05
3 M Diving (11) (425, 572.75)	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 484.30	Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 454.05	Tracy LaVoi 11/20/98 392.25	Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 384.35	
Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 295.40	Christina Rinkus 11/20/98 267.80	Rachelle Giese 11/20/98 203.05		
Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)					

¹Lead-off split time ²Varsity record ³NCAA automatic qualifying time ⁴Former American Record ⁵All-time Big Ten Record
⁶NCAA Consideration time ⁷NCAA Zone diving qualifying ⁸at NCAA Zone C meet ⁹at NCAA Championship ¹⁰Big Ten Championship Record

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Overall Record: 15-1-1

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 **Harvard*** L, 3-1
7 **New Hampshire*** T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 **Minnesota State, Mankato** W, 8-1
27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2
28 Princeton@ W, 3-1
29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 **Gustavus Adolphus** W, 8-1
18 Manitoba# W, 3-1
19 Alberta# W, 9-2
20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 **St. Cloud State** W, 10-0
15 St. Lawrence\$ W, 5-0
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ W, 6-4
17 Toronto\$ W, 5-1
22 **Wilfrid Laurier** 7:00 p.m.
23 **Wilfrid Laurier** 7:00 p.m.
29 Concordia (Montreal)% 5:00 p.m.
30 New Hampshire% 2:30 p.m.
31 Beatrice Aeros% 12:00 p.m.

February

5 **Cornell** 7:00 p.m.
6 **Cornell** 7:00 p.m.
7 **Minnesota State, Mankato** 3:00 p.m.
13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.
14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.
20 **Providence** 2:30 p.m.
21 **Providence** 1:00 p.m.
26 **Brown** 7:00 p.m.
27 **Brown** 7:00 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA
22 **Olympic Dev. Program** 7:00 p.m.
26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in **bold at Mariucci Arena**

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

#—Bison Invitational

\$—High Peaks Classic

%—New Hampshire Tournament



Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

January 19, 1999

#4 Minnesota vs. Wilfrid Laurier
Friday-Saturday, Jan. 22-23, 1999

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota returns home for a weekend series versus Canadian Inter-university Athletic Union foe Wilfrid Laurier.

The two teams will meet at 7 p.m., both Friday and Saturday nights, at Mariucci Arena.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fourth-ranked Gophers swept three games and claimed the title at the High Peaks Hockey Classic in Lake Placid, N.Y., running their winning streak to 14 games and their unbeaten streak to 15 games.

Minnesota began tournament play with a 5-0 win over St. Lawrence behind a 22-save effort by **Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy)**. The Gophers got a balanced offensive effort as each of their top three lines contributed goals. **Amber Hegland (Farmington, Minn./Farmington)** and **Winnie Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** had a goal and an assist while **Ambria Thomas (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley)** and **Laura Slominski (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville)** chipped in with two assists each.

The second game of the tournament for Minnesota was against defending CIAU champion Concordia and proved to be the most exciting game of the tournament as the Gophers came from behind for a 6-4 win.

The Stingers jumped out to a 2-0 lead with a pair of power-play goals in the opening 10 minutes before **Brodt** scored at 11:38 for Minnesota. Concordia responded less than three minutes later but **Slominski** and **Tracy Engstrom (Willmar, Minn./Willmar)** scored in the final four minutes of the opening period to tie the score at 3-3.

The Gophers took their first lead 3:17 into the second period as **Nadine Muzerall (Mississauga, Ontario/Kimball Union Academy)** scored on the power play and, after Concordia tied the game at the 8:38 mark, notched her 16th goal of the season to give Minnesota the lead for good at 14:06 of the period.

Despite controlling much of the game from that point, the Gophers were unable to expand their lead until **Kris Scholz (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area)** scored into an empty net with 13 seconds to play. Minnesota had a 32-26 advantage in shots on goal and **Killewald** stopped 22 shots.

The Gophers wrapped up the title by downing Toronto, the CIAU runners-up to Concordia last year, 5-1 behind a hat trick by **Muzerall** and a four-point effort by **Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina)**.

Muzerall scored twice in the game's first seven minutes and **Schmidgall's** power-play goal at 15:34 of the first period gave Minnesota a 3-0 lead.

The Varsity Blues pulled to within 3-1 early in the second period before **Muzerall** completed her hat trick at 9:00 of the period and **Schmidgall** scored her team-leading 20th goal, a short-handed effort, with 2:53 to play in the game.

Killewald stopped 13 of 14 shots through two periods before giving way to **Crystal Nicholas (Tulsa, Okla./Union)**, who stopped eight shots in the final 20 minutes. Minnesota outshot Toronto 47-22.

ABOUT WILFRID LAURIER—The Golden Hawks boast eight players in at least their third year of eligibility. The group is led by captain Jennifer Krog, a fourth-year player who is the younger sister of University of New Hampshire All-American and Hobey Baker candidate Jason Krog.

Wilfrid Laurier also has four veterans on defense, led by assistant captain and fifth-year player Heather Warren, and boast solid goaltending in fourth-year netminder Charmaine Boteju, the team's MVP in 1996, last year's team Co-Rookie of the Year Joyce Torrington.

Head coach Josh Batley is in his second year behind the Golden Hawks' bench. A graduate of WLU with a degree in physical education, he was an assistant coach at Wilfrid Laurier in 1996-97 before taking over the reigns of the program last

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season.

50/50 CLUB—With six goals on the weekend, **Nadine Muzerall** has now scored 51 goals in 43 career games, reaching the 50-goal plateau in the team's first 48 games.

The Gophers' most valuable player last season, she has lived up to those standards again, racking 19 goals and 33 points in 15 games this season.

Sunday's hat trick was the third of the season for **Muzerall** and her second in four games. She currently has a 12-game point-scoring streak, scoring 17 goals and 28 points during that time, and has nine goals in her last four games.

SHE KEEPS GOING, AND GOING—Minnesota co-captain **Kris Scholz** keeps piling up the points. Despite not doing so at the prodigious rate of teammates **Nadine Muzerall** and **Jenny Schmidgall**, she has done so on a consistent basis, racking up a 15-game point-scoring streak.

Scholz notched her 10th of the season in Friday's 5-0 win over St. Lawrence and clinched Saturday's 6-4 win over Concordia with an empty-net goal, the first in school history. She then tallied an assist in Sunday's 5-1 win over Toronto.

During her streak, **Scholz** has scored 10 goals and 24 points. One of only three Gophers to play all 17 games this season, she has scored points in 16 games.

Having missed just one game in her career, **Scholz** has now racked up 52 career assists in 47 games along. She has also scored 26 goals for 78 points.

SCHMIDGALL SHUT DOWN—St. Lawrence managed to end **Jenny Schmidgall's** scoring streak at 11 games but she came back with a vengeance, collecting three points against Concordia and four against Toronto.

The team's leader in most offensive categories, **Schmidgall** now has 10 games in which she has scored at least three points and six multiple-goal games.

A BALANCED ATTACK—Minnesota got goals from eight different players over the weekend and points from 12 players. The Gophers' top three lines all scored goals in each of the weekend's three games.

Eight of the nine forwards on those lines scored points and seven had goals while four of the team's six members on defense tallied points.

AND GOALTENDING TOO—Not only was the Gophers' offensive unit, which scored 16 goals in three games, clicking, but so was the defense and goaltending.

Minnesota allowed just 70 shots (23.33 per game) and five goals (1.67 per game) over the weekend.

Erica Killewald, who recorded her first shutout of the season Friday, stopped 57 of 62 shots for a .919 save percentage and **Crystal Nicholas** stopped all eight shots she faced in 20 minutes of work versus Toronto.

On the season, the Gophers are allowing just 17.94 shots per game 1.53 goals per game.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore blueliner **Winnie Brodt** played for the U.S. Women's Select Team at the Three Nations Cup in Finland, Dec. 10-15.

Canada grabbed a 2-1 win over the United States, Dec. 10, in the tourney opener, but the U.S. rebounded the next day with a 3-2 win over Finland as **Schmidgall** assisted on the game-tying goal and then scored the game-winner 56 seconds into the third period.

After a two-day respite, the U.S. again fell to Canada, Dec. 14, 4-3 in a shootout before closing out play with a 4-3 win over Finland.

Schmidgall, who played in the 1998 Olympics, and **Brodt**, a member of the 1996 U.S. Women's Select Team, were chosen from the USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and were joined by Gopher head coach **Laura Halldorson**, who served as the team's assistant coach.

POWER SURGE—One of the team's biggest improvements from last season to this season has been the performance on the power play.

Over the weekend, Minnesota was 4-for-9 on the power play and the Gophers have scored at least one power-play goal in each of their last 14 games.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—Minnesota was ranked highly in a number of team statistical categories last week, as were several Gopher players.

Total points—t3. **Jenny Schmidgall**, 38; t9. **Nadine Muzerall**, 27; 14. **Kris Scholz**, 25. **Points per game**—1. **Schmidgall**, 3.17; 5. **Muzerall**, 2.25; 10. **Scholz**, 1.79; 19. **Shannon Kennedy**, 1.46. **Totals goals**—2. **Schmidgall**, 18; 19. **Muzerall**, 13; t19. **Scholz**, 9. **Goals per game**—t1. **Schmidgall**, 1.50; 4. **Muzerall**, 1.08; 20. **Scholz**, 0.64. **Total assists**—t3. **Schmidgall**, 20; 10. **Scholz**, 16; t13. **Muzerall**, S. **Kennedy**, 14. **Assists per game**—2. **Schmidgall**, 1.67; 6. **Muzerall**, 1.17; 7. **Scholz**, 1.14; 10. S. **Kennedy**, 1.08; 19. **Laura Slominski**, 0.83. **Power-play goals**—3. **Schmidgall** 6; t4. **Muzerall**, 5; t12. **Scholz**, Courtney **Kennedy**, 3. **Short-handed goals**—t1. **Muzerall**, 2. **Game-winning goals**—t11. S. **Kennedy**, 2.

Goals against average—1. **Crystal Nicholas**, 0.50; 6. **Erica Killewald**, 1.36. **Save percentage**—3. **Nicholas**, .943; 4. **Killewald**, .939. **Winning percentage**—1. **Nicholas**, 1.000; 3. **Killewald**, .813. **Shutouts**—2. **Nicholas**, 4.

Scoring offense—1st, 6.93. **Scoring defense**—1st, 1.07. **Scoring margin**—1st, +5.86. **Power play**—2nd, 37.9%. **Penalty kill**—t4th, 90.0%.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting an 95-83-13 overall record and a 36-8-4 mark at Minnesota.

She began her head coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival and also served as an assistant for the U.S. Women's Select team that competed in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Halldorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

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IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 15-3-4 in the five-year-old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets underway at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season, beginning Nov. 27 with the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

KKMS broadcast the Nov. 27-28 games from Princeton's Hobey Baker Rink and will carry Minnesota's Jan. 29-30 games from the Towse Center at the University of New Hampshire Invitational.

Additionally, KKMS will carry four home games: Feb. 5 versus Cornell; Feb. 7 versus Minnesota State, Mankato; Feb. 21 versus Providence; and Feb. 26 versus Brown.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball standout Sarah Pearman handling the color commentary.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota moved up a spot in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* poll to second, its highest ranking ever, and maintained its number four spot in *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* poll. Harvard remained in the top spot in both polls.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Jan. 18, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (9)	16-1-0	99	1
2. Minnesota (1)	8-1-1	85	3
3. New Hampshire	12-1-4	84	2
4. Brown	9-1-3	72	4
5. Princeton	10-5-1	60	5
6. Providence	9-3-2	43	6
7. Dartmouth	7-5-4	37	8
8. Northeastern	10-4-2	27	7

Others receiving votes: Cornell 13.

USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll (Jan. 19, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	16-1-0	25	1
2. New Hampshire	12-1-4	20	2
3. Brown	9-1-3	15	3
4. Minnesota	15-1-1	10	4
5. Northeastern	11-4-2	5	NR

Others receiving votes: None.

UP NEXT—The Gophers face their toughest test of the year as they travel to Durham, N.H. for the New Hampshire Invitational next weekend.

Minnesota begins play in the tournament by facing Concordia at 4 p.m. CST, Friday. They will take on New Hampshire at 1:30 p.m. CST Saturday before rounding out play with an 11 a.m. CST game versus the Beatrice Aeros Sunday.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 26-for-67 (38.8%) on the power play after going 4-for-9 at the High Peaks Hockey Classic. The Gophers' 67 power plays have resulted in 95:09 of power-play time and they average a goal every 3:40 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	15	7	10	17	26	.269
Kris Scholz	17	3	10	13	8	.375
Nadine Muzerall	15	7	4	11	18	.389
Emily Buchholz	16	2	4	6	8	.250
Winnie Brodt	15	1	5	6	6	.167
Courtney Kennedy	15	3	2	5	14	.214
Brittney Ralph	16	1	3	4	9	.111
Shannon Kennedy	16	0	3	3	4	.000
Laura Slominski	16	1	1	2	4	.250
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Amber Hegland	17	1	0	1	2	.500
Tai Thorsheim	16	0	1	1	0	.000
Ambria Thomas	14	0	1	1	3	.000
Tracy Engstrom	17	0	0	0	5	.000
Angela Borek	16	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	12	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	11	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	17	26	46	72	113	.247
Opponents	17	7	12	19	62	.113

THE PENALTY KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 45-for-50 (90.0%) killing penalties with their opponents having spent 88:49 on the power play, averaging a goal every 17:46. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	15	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	15	1	0	1	4	.250
Brittney Ralph	16	1	0	1	2	.000
Courtney Kennedy	15	0	1	1	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	17	0	1	1	0	.000
Shannon Kennedy	16	0	0	0	3	.000
Laura Slominski	16	0	0	0	2	.000
Ambria Thomas	14	0	0	0	2	.000
Kris Scholz	17	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	16	0	0	0	1	.000
Tai Thorsheim	16	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	15	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	12	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	11	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	17	4	2	6	26	.154
Opponents	17	0	0	0	3	.000

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Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Jan 18, 1999)

All games

Overall: 15-1-1 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 3-1-1 Away: 5-0-0 Neut: 7-0-0

Name	GP	SHOTS						PENALTIES				GOALS									
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct	+/-	No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO	
Jenny Schmidgall	15	20	25	45	92	.217	+30	4-8	4	0	0	7	1	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	
Nadine Muzerall	15	19	14	33	85	.224	+23	4-8	4	0	0	7	2	4	3	0	0	3	0	0	
Kris Scholz	17	11	18	29	46	.239	+19	1-2	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	
Amber Hegland	17	9	10	19	39	.231	+19	3-6	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Shannon Kennedy	16	5	14	19	41	.122	+26	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	
Laura Slominski	15	5	13	18	36	.139	+22	2-4	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Tracy Engstrom	17	8	9	17	40	.200	+22	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Winnie Brodt	15	6	10	16	40	.150	+30	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Brittney Ralph	16	4	10	14	37	.108	+25	4-8	4	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Courtney Kennedy	15	6	6	12	44	.136	+24	9-18	9	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Ambria Thomas	14	5	7	12	28	.179	+17	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Emily Buchholz	16	2	9	11	28	.071	+17	8-16	8	0	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	
Megan Milbert	11	3	3	6	12	.250	+5	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tai Thorsheim	16	1	4	5	14	.071	+7	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Angela Borek	16	1	4	5	7	.143	+25	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sarma Pone	16	1	2	3	14	.071	+6	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Betsey Kukowski	15	1	2	3	12	.083	+7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tracy Donaghue	11	1	1	2	10	.100	+1	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Kelly Olson	12	0	2	2	16	.000	+24	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Lacey Franzmeier	10	1	0	1	12	.083	+3	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TEAM	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total.....	17	113	170	283	669	.169	+364	68-136	68	0	0	26	4	14	15	1	0	5	0	0	
Opponents.....	17	20	26	46	305	.066	-	76-171	73	1	2	7	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	

Name	GP	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES			RECORD			GOALS				
		Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG
Crystal Nicholas	7	380:00	3	0.47	58	.951	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Erica Killewald	11	644:36	16	1.49	227	.934	9	1	1	0	6	0	0	0	0
TEAM	6	0:24	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total.....	17	1025:00	20	1.17	285	.934	15	1	1	0	7	0	1	0	0
Opponents.....	17	1025:00	113	6.61	556	.831	1	15	1	0	26	4	1	0	0

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Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Jan 18, 1999)

All games

Overall: 15-1-1 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 3-1-1 Away: 6-0-0 Neut: 6-0-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	113-669	20-305
Shot pct.....	.169	.066
Goals/Game.....	6.6	1.2
Shots/Game.....	39.4	17.9
Assists.....	170	26
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	26-67	7-62
Conversion Percent.....	.388	.113
Shot Attempts.....	191	120
Shot Percent.....	.136	.058
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	4-46	0-8
Shot Percent.....	.087	.000
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	113	20
Power Play.....	26	7
Short-handed.....	4	0
Empty net.....	1	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	68	76
Minutes.....	136	171
Penalties/Game.....	4.0	4.5
Pen minutes/Game.....	8.0	10.1
Minor.....	68	73
Major.....	0	1
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	1
Game Misconduct.....	0	1
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	592-468	468-592
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	5895	1628
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	5/1179	5/326
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	7/77	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total

Minnesota.....	44	40	29	0	113
Opponents.....	5	8	7	0	20

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JWS/29

Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Friday, Jan. 29

BB vs. Illinois	7 p.m.
HC vs. Concordia (at UNH)	4 p.m.
SW/D at Quad Duals (Indianapolis)	5 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 30

T/F hosts Minnesota Classic	noon
TN vs. Western Michigan (at Marquette)	11 a.m.
SW/D at Quad Duals	11 a.m.
HC at. New Hampshire (UNH Tournament)	1:30 p.m.
GY at Alabama	6 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 31

BB vs. Northwestern	2 p.m.
TN at Marquette	9 a.m.
HC vs. Beatrice Aeros (at UNH)	11 a.m.

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What's Coming Up

Basketball

- Golden Gophers host Illinois and Northwestern

Gymnastics

- No. 9 Gophers travel to No. 3 Alabama

Hockey

- No. 4 Minnesota to face defending national champion New Hampshire at UNH Tournament

Swimming & Diving

- No. 14 Minnesota competes in Quad Duals in Indianapolis

Track & Field

- Gophers host the Minnesota Classic

Tennis

- Minnesota travels to Milwaukee for matches against Western Michigan and Marquette

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- Gophers sweep series with Wilfrid Laurier
- Improve winning streak to 16 games

Basketball

- Kim Bell gathers career numbers against Ohio State

Gymnastics

- No. 9 Gophers post season-high team score of 194.175

Swimming & Diving

- T.D. Rowe wins the 1-meter and 3-meter diving events against both Northwestern and Iowa

Track & Field

- Gena Johnson wins 800-meter run at the Wis.-Stout Invitational

Tennis

- Minnesota defeats DePaul 6-1 in the consolation match of the Federated Insurance Court Classic



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 7-12 Big Ten: 2-7

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at S. Florida	W, 68-64 (OT)
19	at Stetson	W, 62-57
28	at Wisconsin*	L, 59-70
30	at Purdue*	L, 52-73

January

3	Penn State*	L, 43-72
5	Iowa*	L, 58-66
10	at Michigan*	W, 54-47
15	at Northwestern*	W, 70-68
17	Indiana*	L, 66-80
22	at Michigan State*	L, 58-73
24	at Ohio State*	L, 42-68
29	Illinois*	7 p.m.
31	Northwestern*	2 p.m.

February

5	Michigan*	7 p.m.
12	at Iowa*	7:30 p.m.
14	at Penn State*	2 p.m.
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament	
12-15	at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round	
20-22	at NCAA Regionals	
26-28	at NCAA Final Four	

Home games in **bold** are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



Illinois at Minnesota
Friday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m.
Northwestern at Minnesota
Sunday, Jan. 31, 2 p.m.

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The University of Minnesota women's basketball team returns to the Sports Pavilion for games this week against Illinois and Northwestern. The Gophers will try to break an 11-game conference home losing streak. The Gophers need one more victory to double their victory total from each of the past three seasons. Minnesota needs one more Big Ten victory to surpass its conference victory total for the last three years combined. Minnesota had a .500 non-conference record this season for the first time since 1994-95, finishing its 10 non-league games at 5-5.

BROADCAST INFORMATION — Sunday's game against Northwestern will be broadcast on radio and television. The radio broadcast will be live on KKMS Radio (980 AM) in the Twin Cities. The game will be televised by Fox Sports Chicago as part of the Big Ten Game of the Week regional package. The broadcast is tape-delayed, beginning at 4 p.m., and will be aired by Midwest Sports Channel.

STARTING LINEUP — Minnesota has started the same five players for the past five games. **Kim Bell (Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn)** has been the starting center for the past five games. **Brandi Harris (Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC)** and **Swantreca Taylor (Donaldsville, La./Como Park HS)** have started the last seven games for Minnesota. The other two Minnesota starters are **Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparral)**, who has started all 19 games for Minnesota, and **Erin Olson (Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell)**, who has started the last 17 games and leads the Gophers in minutes played.

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach **Cheryl Littlejohn** is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 11-35 (.239) record in her two-year collegiate career. **Littlejohn** served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. **Littlejohn** played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT ILLINOIS — Illinois has won six of its last eight games, including a 94-85 win at home against Penn State on Jan. 22 and a 82-60 victory at Michigan State on Jan. 24. The win against the Lady Lions moved Illinois into the third-place position in the Big Ten standings. The game against Minnesota is the lone game this week for Illinois.

Illinois is the top scoring team in the conference, averaging 79.4 points per game. The leading scorers and rebounders are Susan Blausler (18.1 points and 7.9 rebounds per game), Alicia Sheeler (12.4 points and 7.1 rebounds per game) and Tauja Catchings (12.2 points and 7.3 rebounds per game).

Head coach Theresa Greutz is in her fourth season at the helm in Champaign-Urbana and has a record of 69-40 (.633). She has a 25-year career record of 530-195 (.731).

THE SERIES — Illinois leads the series, 20-13. Illinois won both meetings last year, defeating Minnesota 86-60 at Assembly Hall on Jan. 9, 1998, and 75-67 at the Sports Pavilion on Feb. 8, 1998. Illinois has won the last six meetings in the series. This is the only regular-season meeting between the two teams.

ABOUT NORTHWESTERN — The Wildcats have dropped six of their past seven games, but the lone win was a significant one. Northwestern defeated Ohio State 48-41 in Evanston, Ill. on Jan. 17, handing the Buckeyes their only Big Ten loss to date. Since that game, the Wildcats have dropped decisions at Wisconsin (80-61) and at home against Michigan (64-54). Northwestern plays at Penn State on Wednesday before travelling to the Twin Cities.

Megan Chwansky (15.8 points per game) and Leslie Schock (14.8 points per game) continue to be the Wildcats' leading scorers in the absence of all-Big Ten performer Kistina Divjak, who is out for the season. Chwansky has played every game, while Schock has played in every game except the game against Minnesota on Jan. 15, which she missed due to injury.

Head coach Don Perelli is in his 15th and final season as the Northwestern head coach after announcing his retirement last week, effective at the end of the season. His record at Northwestern is 247-175 (.585), and his 23-year career record is 422-246 (.632).

THE SERIES — Northwestern leads the series, 27-10. Minnesota won the first meeting of the season, 70-68, in Evanston on Jan. 15. **Sonja Robinson** had 15 points and nine rebounds, scoring six points in the final four minutes to clinch the victory. The win was the Gophers' first-ever at Welsh-Ryan Arena and broke a 15-game losing streak for Minnesota at Northwestern. Minnesota has not beaten Northwestern twice in the same season since 1980-81.

GOPHER REWIND: OHIO STATE — Minnesota dropped a 68-42 decision to 22nd-ranked Ohio State on Jan. 24 in Columbus. The Gophers held the Buckeyes scoreless for the first five minutes of the second half and pulled to within 32-26 but were outscored 36-16 for the final 15 minutes of the game. **Sonja Robinson** was the only Gopher to reach double figures in scoring with 10 points. **Kim Bell** had her best day as a Gopher with six points, 10 rebounds and five blocks in 25 minutes.

GOPHER REWIND: MICHIGAN STATE — Despite a career-high 20 points from **Sonja Robinson**, Michigan State defeated Minnesota 73-58 on Friday in East Lansing. The Spartans used a 13-2 run midway through the first half to propel themselves to a 43-32 halftime lead. Michigan State shot 58.6 percent in the period. Minnesota closed to within 58-50 with eight minutes to play, but could get no closer. **Robinson** also led the Gophers with eight rebounds. **Brandi Harris** added 11 points and six rebounds for Minnesota.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Home	Road	Overall
Purdue	8-0	6-0	2-0	16-1
Ohio State	6-1	3-0	3-1	13-4
Illinois	6-3	4-1	2-2	12-7
Penn State	5-3	3-1	2-2	13-5
Michigan	4-4	1-2	3-2	12-6
Michigan State	4-5	3-2	1-3	10-9
Wisconsin	4-5	4-0	0-5	9-10
Iowa	3-5	2-2	1-3	8-10
Northwestern	2-6	1-4	1-2	8-10
Indiana	2-7	1-3	1-4	13-10
MINNESOTA	2-7	0-3	2-4	7-12

BIG TEN UPDATE — Tuesday's game at Columbus between Purdue and Ohio State could determine the regular-season champion in the Big Ten Conference. A Purdue win gives the Boilermakers a two-game lead in the loss column, while an Ohio State win would pull the Buckeyes to within a half-game of the league lead. Michigan won three games last week to move into fifth place. That position is important because it carries a first-round bye in the Big Ten Tournament, while the sixth-place finisher must play on the first day. If the season ended at this point, the 11th-seeded Gophers would play No. 6 seed Michigan State.

ROBINSON CONTINUES TO LEAD — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continues to lead Minnesota in both scoring and rebounding. **Sonja Robinson** is 5-11 and normally starts against players that are considerably taller than she is. That has not stopped her from compiling some impressive numbers for the Gophers. **Robinson** leads Minnesota in scoring at 11.5 points per game and rebounding at 7.5 rebounds per game. She established a career high with 20 points at Michigan State and led the Gophers with eight rebounds. **Robinson** was the only Gopher in double figures against Ohio State, scoring 10 points. Already this season, she has established career highs in a season with 218 points and 143 rebounds. **Robinson** has scored 10 or more points in 12 games and has led or shared the lead in Gopher scoring eight times. She has three of Minnesota's five double-figure rebounding efforts this season.

OLSON CONTINUES SOLID PLAY — Erin Olson continues to be a steady influence at the point guard position for the Gophers. Olson is leading the Gophers in several categories, including minutes (34.7 per game), three-point percentage (.478), assists (78) and steals (25). Her eight assists against Indiana matched her career high and is Minnesota's top assist performance of the season. Minnesota's fourth-leading scorer (6.9 points per game) is second on the team with 71 defensive rebounds and 10 blocked shots.

HARRIS MAKING A DIFFERENCE — During the non-conference season, Brandi Harris played in each of the 10 games, but with limited success. She scored in only three games, including two points in an eight-game span. The conference season has been a completely different story. Harris is Minnesota's third-leading scorer in Big Ten games, averaging 9.6 points per conference game. She is the Gophers' top shooter from beyond the arc (41.5 percent). Harris has a team-leading 12 steals in the nine Big Ten games. A look at the numbers:

	Min.	Pts.	Reb.	Stl.
Non-Conf.	8.2	1.6	1.4	0.3
Big Ten	20.9	9.6	3.6	1.3

RING THE BELL — Minnesota first-year player Kim Bell is beginning to make an impact for the Gophers, especially on the defensive end of the floor. In the two games at Michigan State and Ohio State, Bell blocked 10 shots, establishing a career high with five blocked shots in East Lansing and matching that mark two days later in Columbus. She has now blocked 29 shots in 161 minutes this season, which averages to a block every 5.6 minutes of playing time. Bell also set career highs against Ohio State in minutes played (25), points (6) and rebounds (10).

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench has been a source of strength this season, outscoring its opponents in 15 of 19 games. Last week, Minnesota's bench outscored Michigan State's bench, 20-12, but was outscored by the Ohio State substitutes, 36-10. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 468-313, an 8.2 points-per-game surplus from the bench.

WHAT'S NEXT — Minnesota concludes a three-game homestand by hosting Michigan on Friday, Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. The Gophers defeated the Wolverines earlier this season, 54-47, in Ann Arbor. The game will be broadcast on AM 980 KKMS in the Twin Cities.

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park (Minn.)
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-11	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
45	Ngozi Okechukwa	C	Fr.	6-3	Anambra, Nigeria/De La Salle (Minn.)
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach: Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)
 Assistant Coaches: Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson
 Coordinator of Basketball Operations: Robin Hester

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 01/24/99
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(7-12)	(2-4)	(4-7)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(2-7)	(0-3)	(2-4)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-5)	(2-1)	(2-3)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10)Tate, Jackie (10)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15)Bowden, Moneeke	(7)Tate, Jackie (7)LeCuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11)Olson, Erin (11)Taylor, Swantreca	(13)Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16)Robinson, Sonja (16)LeCuyer, Theresa	(8)Olson, Erin (8)Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja (9)LeCuyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16)Olson, Erin	(10)Robinson, Sonja
12/16/98	7 p.m.	at South Florida	68-64	W OT	110	(13)Olson, Erin (13)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Bowden, Moneeke
12/19/98	7 p.m.	at Stetson	62-57	W	242	(16)Tate, Jackie	(9)Tate, Jackie
12/28/98	7 p.m.	* at Wisconsin	59-70	L	8760	(21)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(11)Robinson, Sonja
12/30/98	7:30 p.m.	* at Purdue	52-73	L	9330	(13)Olson, Erin	(7)Tate, Jackie
1/3/99	2 p.m.	* PENN STATE Cassie	43-72	L	2081	(16)Harris, Brandi	(7)VanderHeyden, (7)Robinson, Sonja
1/5/99	7 p.m.	* IOWA	58-66	L	1446	(12)Harris, Brandi	(5)Robinson, Sonja (5)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/10/99	7 p.m.	* at Michigan	54-47	W	796	(17)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(12)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/15/99	7 p.m.	* at Northwestern	70-68	W	770	(15)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Olson, Erin (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/17/99	2 p.m.	* INDIANA	66-80	L	1937	(20)Harris, Brandi	(9)Harris, Brandi (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/22/99	7:30 p.m.	* at Michigan State	58-73	L	1213	(20)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
1/24/99	2 p.m.	* at Ohio State	42-68	L	9117	(10)Robinson, Sonja	(10)Bell, Kim

* Big Ten ! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic @ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	7,948	1,325
AWAY.....	32,926	2,993
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	44,422	2,338

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 01/24/99
ALL GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L			3-POINTERS			R E B O U N D S							PTS - AVG
			FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG	PF-FO	A	TO	BLK	ST			
21 Robinson, Sonja	19 19	653 34.4	93 213	.437	0 1	.000	32 46	.696	67 76	143 7.5	50 1	20 39	7 18	218 11.5		
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	19 2	362 19.1	56 167	.335	38 123	.309	16 21	.762	11 30	41 2.2	40 1	37 47	0 21	166 8.7		
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	19 12	398 20.9	56 134	.418	4 10	.400	46 77	.597	38 48	86 4.5	34 1	28 34	1 17	162 8.5		
04 Olson, Erin	19 17	659 34.7	44 127	.346	11 23	.478	33 44	.750	11 71	82 4.3	34 1	78 61	10 25	132 6.9		
15 Tate, Jackie	19 6	479 25.2	43 99	.434	0 0	.000	27 33	.818	40 58	98 5.2	47 2	19 46	8 17	113 5.9		
23 Bowden, Moneeke	18 5	295 16.4	37 118	.314	9 25	.360	23 50	.460	24 48	72 4.0	48 1	12 30	5 19	106 5.9		
05 Harris, Brandi	19 8	270 14.2	35 106	.330	20 49	.408	12 22	.545	21 25	46 2.4	40 2	11 41	0 15	102 5.4		
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	14 4	152 10.9	13 58	.224	1 15	.067	9 18	.500	6 17	23 1.6	27 1	10 19	0 5	36 2.6		
54 Bell, Kim	16 5	161 10.1	12 44	.273	0 0	.000	4 9	.444	12 26	38 2.4	34 2	1 19	29 2	28 1.8		
12 Hansen, Mindy	19 2	165 8.7	15 37	.405	0 3	.000	3 8	.375	16 13	29 1.5	22 0	15 19	1 5	33 1.7		
10 Taylor, Swantreca	18 15	225 12.5	9 39	.231	1 5	.200	10 15	.667	17 13	30 1.7	22 0	23 20	0 13	29 1.6		
35 Schaffer, Erin	2 0	6 3.0	0 1	.000	0 0	.000	1 2	.500	3 1	4 2.0	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 0.5		
30 Pickens, Brandy	8 0	25 3.1	0 1	.000	0 0	.000	3 6	.500	1 5	6 0.8	2 0	0 0	0 0	3 0.4		
TEAM REBOUNDS.....									41 45	86			11			
Minnesota	19	3850	413 1144	.361	84 254	.331	219 351	.624	308 476	784 41.3	400 12	254 386	61 157	1129 59.4		
Opponents	19	3850	439 1100	.399	74 227	.326	289 434	.666	258 490	748 39.4	338	274 342	79 164	1241 65.3		

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	592	631	18	0	0	0	1241
Minnesota	506	610	13	0	0	0	1129

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 01/24/99
CONFERENCE GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L			3-POINTERS			R E B O U N D S							PTS - AVG
			FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG	PF-FO	A	TO	BLK	ST			
21 Robinson, Sonja	9 9	319 35.4	42 105	.400	0 1	.000	12 16	.750	28 37	65 7.2	23 0	13 22	1 6	96 10.7		
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	9 0	189 21.0	29 87	.333	20 64	.313	9 12	.750	8 16	24 2.7	23 0	22 28	0 8	87 9.7		
05 Harris, Brandi	9 8	188 20.9	29 76	.382	17 41	.415	11 19	.579	15 17	32 3.6	26 2	8 29	0 12	86 9.6		
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	9 4	156 17.3	19 51	.373	2 4	.500	16 28	.571	14 19	33 3.7	13 0	16 13	0 7	56 6.2		
15 Tate, Jackie	9 0	220 24.4	20 53	.377	0 0	.000	13 14	.929	17 22	39 4.3	23 2	7 23	4 9	53 5.9		
23 Bowden, Moneeke	8 1	97 12.1	14 41	.341	4 10	.400	5 15	.333	10 15	25 3.1	21 1	2 11	1 8	37 4.6		
04 Olson, Erin	9 9	307 34.1	14 54	.259	2 7	.286	9 13	.692	3 25	28 3.1	15 0	44 29	5 10	39 4.3		
54 Bell, Kim	9 5	122 13.6	11 34	.324	0 0	.000	4 7	.571	9 17	26 2.9	29 2	1 10	19 2	26 2.9		
12 Hansen, Mindy	9 0	67 7.4	6 13	.462	0 1	.000	0 0	.000	3 2	5 0.6	9 0	7 9	0 4	12 1.3		
10 Taylor, Swantreca	9 6	90 10.0	4 15	.267	0 0	.000	0 2	.000	8 6	14 1.6	8 0	5 5	0 5	8 0.9		
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	5 1	33 6.6	1 10	.100	0 1	.000	0 0	.000	0 5	5 1.0	6 0	2 4	0 1	2 0.4		
30 Pickens, Brandy	2 0	11 5.5	0 0	.000	0 0	.000	0 0	.000	0 0	0 0.0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0.0		
35 Schaffer, Erin	1 0	1 1.0	0 0	.000	0 0	.000	0 0	.000	0 0	0 0.0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0.0		
TEAM REBOUNDS.....									28 24	52			5			
Minnesota	9	1800	189 539	.351	45 129	.349	79 126	.627	143 205	348 38.7	196	7 127	188	30 72	502 55.8	
Opponents	9	1800	214 508	.421	41 119	.345	148 228	.649	126 227	353 39.2	149	137 155	36 87	617 68.6		

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	304	313	0	0	0	0	617
Minnesota	244	258	0	0	0	0	502

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 17-1-1

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1
7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1
27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2
28 Princeton@ W, 3-1
29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1
18 Manitoba# W, 3-1
19 Alberta# W, 9-2
20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 St. Cloud State W, 10-0
15 St. Lawrence\$ W, 5-0
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ W, 6-4
17 Toronto\$ W, 5-1
22 Wilfrid Laurier W, 10-0
23 Wilfrid Laurier W, 7-1
29 Concordia (Montreal)% 5:00 p.m.
30 New Hampshire% 2:30 p.m.
31 Beatrice Aeros% 12:00 p.m.

February

5 Cornell 7:00 p.m.
6 Cornell 7:00 p.m.
7 Minnesota State, Mankato 3:00 p.m.
13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.
14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.
20 Providence 2:30 p.m.
21 Providence 1:00 p.m.
26 Brown 7:00 p.m.
27 Brown 7:00 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA
22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.
26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

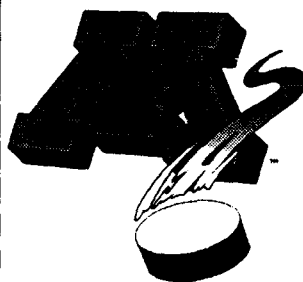
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Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

January 25, 1999



#4 Minnesota vs. Concordia
Friday, Jan. 29, 1999

#4 Minnesota vs. #2 New Hampshire
Saturday, Jan. 30, 1999

#4 Minnesota vs. Beatrice Aeros
Sunday, Jan. 31, 1999

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THIS WEEK—Minnesota faces its toughest test of the season this weekend as it takes part in the New Hampshire Invitational.

The Gophers open with a rematch of last weekend's 6-4 win over defending Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union champion Concordia at 4 p.m. CST Friday. Saturday, Minnesota faces defending national champion New Hampshire at 1:30 p.m. Saturday before closing out tournament play at 11 a.m. Sunday versus the Beatrice Aeros.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fourth-ranked Gophers saw their unbeaten streak reach 17 games as they defeated Wilfrid Laurier 10-0 and 7-1 at home. Friday and Saturday.

Minnesota's winning streak reached 16 games over the weekend as it got goals from all four lines and points from 13 of 20 skaters and, in each game, 17 of 18 players recorded shots on goal.

In Friday's 10-0 win, frosh forwards **Laura Slominski (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville)** and **Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina)** recorded two goals and an assist while sophomore blueliner **Courtney Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham Browne & Nichols)** also scored two goals. **Winnie Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** chipped in a career-high four assists while **Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy)** stopped nine shots to record her second shutout of the season.

Saturday, the Gophers outshot the Golden Hawks 51-3 en route to a 7-1 win. Senior co-captain **Amber Hegland (Farmington, Minn./Farmington)** scored her first career hat trick while **Schmidgall** added two more goals and **Brodt** registered three assists.

CONCORDIA RECENTLY—The Stingers hosted their annual Theresa Humes Tournament over the weekend, sweeping three games for the title to raise their record to 20-3-1 on the season.

Concordia opened with a 3-0 win over the Ottawa Raiders Friday and followed that with a 3-0 win over the Quebec Juniors Saturday. In Sunday's finale, the Stingers downed the University of Guelph 7-0.

Stinger head coach Les Lawton is in his 16th season as the team's head coach. He won his 400th career game, Jan. 17, with a 3-0 win over Providence at the High Peaks Classic in Lake Placid, N.Y. He is currently 403-124-48 at Concordia, where he received his degree in 1989.

NEW HAMPSHIRE RECENTLY—The second-ranked Wildcats posted a pair of home wins over the weekend, including a 2-1 victory over third-ranked Brown.

Friday, New Hampshire scored four times in the first 6:26 of the third period, overcoming a 2-1 deficit for a 5-3 win over Providence. After falling behind 2-1 in the second period, Samantha Holmes got the Wildcats back to even with her second goal of the game just 48 seconds into the final period. Michelle Thornton gave her team its first lead at 4:00 of the period and Carrie Jokiel and Melisa Heitzman scored 23 seconds apart to round out the four-goal surge.

Saturday, New Hampshire need to come from behind again, scoring twice in the third period, to top the Bears. Brown went ahead 1-0 just 6:48 into the first period and held that lead until Heitzman scored a power-play goal at 6:54 of the third period and Carisa Zaban got the game-winner less than three minutes later.

With the two wins, the Wildcats are now unbeaten in their last nine games (8-0-1) and boast a 14-1-4 overall record.

Head coach Karen Kay is in her seventh season at New Hampshire, compiling at 146-45-19 record during that time. She graduated from Providence in 1985 with degrees in psy-

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chology and business and also completed her degree in athletic training following her graduation.

ABOUT THE BEATRICE AEROS—One of Canada's top Senior AAA teams, the Aeros have won nine of the last 10 Ontario Provincial Championships and currently hold a 12-point lead in the Central Ontario Women's Hockey League's Western Division with a 24-1-1 record.

The Aeros feature four 1998 Olympians, including three from Team Canada. On defense, they feature Canadian Olympians Geraldine Heaney, Cassie Campbell and former Brown standout Becky Kellar while Finnish Olympian Sari Krooks is among the team's top forwards.

In goal, they feature another former Brown Bear in Lauren Goldstein, who has allowed just four goals in 519 minutes while posting six shutouts in 10 starts.

SCORING STREAK SNAPPED—Sophomore co-captain **Kris Scholz (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area)**, who scored a goal and two assists Friday, saw her school-record 15-game point-scoring streak come to an end as she was shutout Saturday.

During her 15-game streak, Scholz scored 11 goals and 27 points and had seven multiple-point games.

MOVING ON UP—The MVP at last year's national championships and a member of the 1998 USA Women's Select Team, **Winnie Brodt** has established herself as one of the country's top players on defense.

However, she was moved up to center for the Gophers game with St. Cloud State, Jan. 9, and has thrived at the new position.

In six games at center, with **Amber Hegland** at left wing and **Laura Slominski** at right wing, she has scored 14 points and recorded five multiple-point games, including a four-assist effort Friday versus Wilfrid Laurier. She is also +15 during those six games and leads the team for the season with a +39 rating.

SYNCHRONICITY—The line of **Winnie Brodt** with wings **Amber Hegland** and **Laura Slominski** has been synchronized since they formed earlier this month, giving the Gophers three solid forward lines.

The trio has combined for 13 goals and 36 points in six games together, including seven goals and 18 points this past weekend.

INCOGNITO—Despite the attention she received coming off the U.S. Olympic team, **Jenny Schmidgall** has received little fanfare for leading Minnesota with 24 goals and 51 points in just 17 games.

After having an 11-game point and goal-scoring streak snapped by St. Lawrence on Jan. 15, she has put together four consecutive multiple-point games, tallying six goals and 13 points.

She now has eight multiple-goal games, including her last three in a row, and 13 multiple-point games, nine of which have come in her last 10 games.

THE BUZZ ON MUZ—The longest current point-scoring streak on the Gophers now belongs to **Nadine Muzerall (Mississauga, Ontario/Kimball Union Academy)**, who has points in each of her last 14 games.

Last year's team scoring leader and MVP, she had just two points over the weekend but notched her 20th goal of the season Friday and is now one point shy of 100 for her career.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore blueliner **Winnie Brodt** played for the U.S. Women's Select Team at the Three Nations Cup in Finland, Dec. 10-15.

Canada grabbed a 2-1 win over the United States, Dec. 10, in the tourney opener, but the U.S. rebounded the next day with a 3-2 win over Finland as **Schmidgall** assisted on the game-tying goal and then scored the game-winner 56 seconds into the third period.

After a two-day respite, the U.S. again fell to Canada, Dec. 14, 4-3 in a shootout before closing out play with a 4-3 win over Finland.

Schmidgall, who played in the 1998 Olympics, and **Brodt**, a member of the 1996 U.S. Women's Select Team, were chosen from the

USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and were joined by Gopher head coach **Laura Halldorson**, who served as the team's assistant coach.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—Minnesota was ranked highly in a number of team statistical categories last week, as were several Gopher players.

Total points—2. Jenny Schmidgall, 45; t5. Nadine Muzerall, 33; t9. Kris Scholz, 29. **Points per game**—1. Schmidgall, 3.00; 5. Muzerall, 2.20; t10. Scholz, 1.71. **Totals goals**—2. Schmidgall, 20; 3. Muzerall, 19; t18. Scholz, 11. **Goals per game**—2. Schmidgall, 1.33; 3. Muzerall, 1.27; t20. Scholz, 0.65. **Total assists**—t2. Schmidgall, 25; 8. Scholz, 18; t13. Muzerall, Shannon Kennedy, 14. **Assists per game**—t2. Schmidgall, 1.67; 8. Scholz, 1.06; t11. Muzerall, 0.93; t14. S. Kennedy, 0.88; 17. Laura Slominski, 0.87. **Power-play goals**—t2. Schmidgall, Muzerall, 7; t13. Scholz, Courtney Kennedy, 3. **Short-handed goals**—t1. Muzerall, 2. **Game-winning goals**—t5. Muzerall, 3; t13. S. Kennedy, 2, Emily Buchholz 2.

Goals against average—1. Crystal Nicholas, 0.47; 5. Erica Killewald, 1.49. **Save percentage**—2. Nicholas, .951; t4. Killewald, .934. **Winning percentage**—1. Nicholas, 1.000; 3. Killewald, .864. **Shutouts**—2. Nicholas, 4.

Scoring offense—1st, 6.65. **Scoring defense**—2nd, 1.18. **Scoring margin**—1st, +5.47. **Power play**—1st, 38.8%. **Penalty kill**—5th, 88.7%.

THE SERIES—Minnesota has faced two of this weekend's three opponents in the past, having met both this season.

The Gophers are 1-0-0 against Concordia after a 6-4 win, Jan. 16, in Lake Placid, N.Y. Minnesota is 0-3-1 versus New Hampshire, including the teams' 1-1 tie in the All-American East-West Challenge, Nov. 7.

WHEN LAST WE MET—The Gophers overcame an early 2-0 deficit to defeat Concordia 6-4 at the High Peaks Hockey Classic, Jan. 16, in Lake Placid.

After falling behind 2-0 and 3-1 in the first period, Minnesota came back to score twice in the final four minutes of the opening period to tie the score at 3-3. **Nadine Muzerall** then scored twice in the second period and **Kris Scholz** added an empty-net goal in the game's final minute to secure the win.

Minnesota, which lost three times last season to New Hampshire, pulled out a 1-1 tie against the defending national champions, Nov. 7, at Mariucci Arena.

Carisa Zaban put the Wildcats ahead 1-0 early in the second period and they held that lead until **Jenny Schmidgall** recorded her first goal as a Gopher with 9:44 to play in the third period. The game also featured a battle between two of the nation's top goalies as Minnesota's **Erica Killewald** stopped 31 shots while Alicia Roberts had 24 saves for New Hampshire.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting an 97-83-13 overall record and a 38-8-4 mark at Minnesota.

She began her head coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival and also served as an assistant for the U.S. Women's Select team that competed in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was

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a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Hall-dorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 17-3-4 in the five-year-old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets underway at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season, beginning Nov. 27 with the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

KKMS broadcast the Nov. 27-28 games from Princeton's Hobey Baker Rink and will carry two of this weekend's games, Friday and Saturday, from the Towse Center at the University of New Hampshire Invitational.

Additionally, KKMS will carry four home games: Feb. 5 versus Cornell; Feb. 7 versus Minnesota State, Mankato; Feb. 21 versus Providence; and Feb. 26 versus Brown.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball standout Sarah Pearman handling the color commentary.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota moved up a spot in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* poll to second, its highest ranking ever, and maintained its number four spot in *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* poll last week. Harvard remained in the top spot in both polls.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Jan. 18, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (9)	16-1-0	99	1
2. Minnesota (1)	8-1-1	85	3
3. New Hampshire	12-1-4	84	2
4. Brown	9-1-3	72	4
5. Princeton	10-5-1	60	5
6. Providence	9-3-2	43	6
7. Dartmouth	7-5-4	37	8
8. Northeastern	10-4-2	27	7

Others receiving votes: Cornell 13.

USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll (Jan. 19, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	16-1-0	25	1
2. Brown	9-1-3	18	3
3. New Hampshire	12-1-4	15	2
4. Minnesota	15-1-1	12	4
5. Providence	11-4-2	3	NR

Others receiving votes: Princeton 2.

UP NEXT—The Gophers return home for their third three-game weekend in four weeks, Feb. 5-7, when they host Cornell and Minnesota State, Mankato.

Minnesota will face the Big Red at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday at Mariucci Arena before hosting the Mavericks in a 3 p.m. matinee Sunday.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 26-for-71 (36.6%) on the power play after going 0-for-4 versus Wilfrid Laurier, ending a 14-game streak in which they have scored at least one power-play goal in every game. The Gophers' 71 power plays have resulted in 103:09 of power-play time and they average a goal every 3:58 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	17	7	10	17	26	.269
Kris Scholz	19	3	10	13	8	.375
Nadine Muzerall	17	7	4	11	19	.368
Emily Buchholz	18	2	4	6	8	.250
Winnie Brodt	17	1	5	6	9	.111
Courtney Kennedy	17	3	2	5	14	.214
Brittany Ralph	18	1	3	4	10	.100
Shannon Kennedy	17	0	3	3	4	.000
Laura Slominski	18	1	1	2	4	.250
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Amber Hegland	19	1	0	1	2	.500
Tai Thorsheim	18	0	1	1	0	.000
Ambria Thomas	16	0	1	1	4	.000
Tracy Engstrom	19	0	0	0	7	.000
Angela Borek	18	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	14	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	12	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	19	26	46	72	121	.215
Opponents	19	7	12	19	65	.108

THE PENALTY KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 58-for-65 (89.2%) killing penalties with their opponents having spent 106:05 on the power play, averaging a goal every 15:09. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	17	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	17	1	0	1	4	.250
Brittany Ralph	18	1	0	1	2	.000
Courtney Kennedy	17	0	1	1	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	19	0	1	1	0	.000
Shannon Kennedy	17	0	0	0	3	.000
Laura Slominski	18	0	0	0	2	.000
Ambria Thomas	16	0	0	0	3	.000
Kris Scholz	19	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	18	0	0	0	1	.000
Tai Thorsheim	18	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	17	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	14	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	12	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	19	4	2	6	27	.148
Opponents	19	0	0	0	3	.000

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All games

Overall: 17-1-1 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 5-1-1 Away: 5-0-0 Neut: 7-0-0

Name	GP	SHOTS					+/-	PENALTIES				GOALS								
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct		No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO
Jenny Schmidgall	17	24	27	51	103	.233	+36	5-10	5	0	0	7	1	4	2	1	0	1	0	0
Nadine Muzerall	17	20	15	35	99	.202	+27	4-8	4	0	0	7	2	5	4	0	0	3	0	0
Kris Scholz	19	12	20	32	51	.235	+21	1-2	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Amber Hegland	19	13	11	24	48	.271	+29	3-6	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Laura Slominski	17	8	16	24	40	.200	+31	2-4	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Winnie Brodt	17	6	17	23	45	.133	+39	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	17	5	14	19	42	.119	+28	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	19	8	10	18	48	.167	+23	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ambria Thomas	16	7	9	16	37	.189	+21	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brittney Ralph	18	4	12	16	41	.098	+30	4-8	4	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	17	8	6	14	48	.167	+27	10-20	10	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	18	2	12	14	30	.067	+25	10-20	10	0	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	12	3	4	7	12	.250	+6	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	18	1	4	5	19	.053	+11	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	18	1	4	5	9	.111	+32	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	17	1	3	4	15	.067	+8	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	18	1	2	3	16	.063	+5	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	12	1	1	2	11	.091	+1	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	14	0	2	2	19	.000	+29	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	11	1	0	1	14	.071	+3	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team totals	19	130	196	326	763	.170	+444	73-146	73	0	0	26	4	16	17	1	0	6	0	0
Opp totals	19	21	26	47	317	.066	-	82-183	79	1	2	7	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0

Name	GP	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD				GOALS				
		Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG
Crystal Nicholas	8	440:00	4	0.55	60	.938	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Erica Killewald	12	704:36	16	1.36	236	.937	10	1	1	0	6	0	0	0	0
TEAM	6	0:24	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Team totals	19	1145:00	21	1.10	296	.934	17	1	1	0	7	0	1	0	0
Opp totals	19	1145:00	130	6.81	633	.830	1	17	1	0	26	4	1	0	0

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TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	130-763	21-317
Shot pct.....	.170	.066
Goals/Game.....	6.8	1.1
Shots/Game.....	40.2	16.7
Assists.....	196	26
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	26-71	7-65
Conversion Percent.....	.366	.108
Shot Attempts.....	208	123
Shot Percent.....	.125	.057
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	4-47	0-8
Shot Percent.....	.085	.000
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	130	21
Power Play.....	26	7
Short-handed.....	4	0
Empty net.....	1	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	73	82
Minutes.....	146	183
Penalties/Game.....	3.8	4.3
Pen minutes/Game.....	7.7	9.6
Minor.....	73	79
Major.....	0	1
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	1
Game Misconduct.....	0	1
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	678-511	511-678
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	7561	1628
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	7/1080	5/326
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	7/99	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total

Minnesota.....	50	48	32	0	- 130
Opponents.....	5	8	8	0	- 21

1999 Minnesota Gymnastics

January

2	Intrasquad	
9	Best of Minnesota	
	Minnesota	192.400
	Winona State	178.750
	Hamline	138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus	137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W, 193.550-193.050
23	#2 Utah	L, 194.600-194.175
30	Alabama	7 p.m.

February

6	Iowa State	7 p.m.
13	Iowa	7 p.m.
20	West Virginia	8 p.m.
27	Illinois	7 p.m.

March

5	Iowa	7 p.m.
7	Iowa State	4 p.m.
12	West Virginia	7 p.m.
21	Denver	2 p.m.
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)	

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)

All home meets in caps and bold are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics



#9 Minnesota at #3 Alabama
Saturday, Jan. 30, 6 p.m.

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GOPHERS TRAVEL TO ALABAMA — The No. 9 Golden Gophers travel to Tuscaloosa, Ala., for a meet against No. 3 Alabama.

GOPHERS NO. 9 AFTER FIRST TWO WEEKS — Minnesota is ranked ninth after the second week of competition with a best score of 193.550, recorded at Michigan a week ago. Preseason coaches poll No. 1 Georgia has the best score, at 196.450. Saturday's opponent, Alabama, is ranked third. Penn State is the highest Big Ten Conference school, ranked No. 4 at 195.075, with Ohio State at No. 6 and Michigan at No. 12. The next rankings will be released Tuesday.

ABOUT ALABAMA — The No. 3 Crimson Tide defeated Auburn, 196.800 to 190.950, Friday behind season-high team scores on three of four events. Newcomer Andree Pickens scored 39.6 in the all around, with sophomore Robin Hawkins scoring 39.225. Earlier in the season, Alabama defeated Ohio State 195.075-190.275 in Tuscaloosa and fell to No. 1 Georgia, 196.450-195.725 in Athens, Ga.

Head coach Sarah Patterson has compiled a 262-54-3 record in 20 years of coaching, all at Alabama. Patterson has won three NCAA Championships, finishing in the top three 11 times, including a third-place finish in 1998. She has also won three Southeastern Conference titles.

LAST YEAR AGAINST ALABAMA — In the first week of the season, Minnesota defeated Alabama, 192.925-192.300, in front of a Sports Pavilion record crowd of 3,422. It was the first time Minnesota had defeated Alabama in a dual meet and the first time Alabama had lost a season-opener since 1979. The Golden Gophers swept the top three places on the floor exercise. **Judy Cavazos** won both the floor and the uneven bars.

1999 GOLDEN GOPHER ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Hometown/H.S./Club
Megan Beuckens	Fr.	Brandon, S.D./Brandon Valley/All American
Judy Cavazos	Jr.	Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste/Elite Gym
Melissa Chang	Jr.	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs
Catie Christensen	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington/Buckeye
MaryAnne Kelley	Fr.	Barrington, Ill./Fremd/All American Academy
Cathy Keyser	Sr.	Plymouth, Minn./Australian Inst. of Sport Twisters
Shayn Lancaster	So.	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser/Oakland Gymnastics
Jenny Mazzone	Sr.	Sparks, Nev./McQueen/Gymnastics Nevada
Courtney Norman	Fr.	Minneapolis, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall
Cami Phillippi	Jr.	Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area
Mariam Pourshoushtari	Fr.	Rockville, Md./Walter Johnson/Hill's Gymnastics
Kristi Selinger	Jr.	Aurora, Colo./Gateway
Megan Skokut	So.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel/Indy School of Gymnastics
Megan Smith	Fr.	Fargo, N.D./Fargo/American Gold

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — No. 2-ranked Utah needed a comeback effort in the fourth and final rotation to defeat No. 9 Minnesota, 194.600-194.175, in a battle of women's gymnastics powers at the Sports Pavilion.

The Golden Gophers held a 0.05-point lead heading into the floor exercise and for Utah to the balance beam. Utah responded with a 49.050 team score on the

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beam, including a nearly flawless 9.95 performance from All-American Shannon Bowles. Minnesota received a 9.875 from **Judy Cavazos** and a 9.80 from **MaryAnne Kelley** but couldn't match the Utah output.

Cavazos, a junior, shared titles on the uneven bars and floor exercise, with a score of 9.875 on each event, to finish second in the all around with a total of 39.00. She also tied for third on the vault with a 9.675.

Kelley, a first-year all arounder, finished third with a score of 38.625, including a second-place finish on the floor exercise.

Other Gophers finishing in the top three were newcomer **Courtney Norman** on the vault with a 9.675 and senior **Cathy Keyser** on beam with a 9.85.

A crowd of 2,775 attended the meet, marking the third-largest home gymnastics crowd in Minnesota women's gymnastics history.

POURSHOUSHTARI AND PHILLIPPI COMPETE FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS SEASON — Newcomer **Mariam Pourshoushtari** competed on the balance beam for the first time in her career. She scored a 9.725, good for a tie for sixth place.

Junior **Cami Phillippi** competed on the floor exercise for the first time this season, scoring a 8.375. **Phillippi** has an average of 9.529 in 13 career appearances on the floor.

GOLDEN GOPHERS SET SEASON-BESTS ON BARS AND BEAM — Led by season-best scores by four of six athletes, Minnesota scored its highest team uneven bars score so far this season, at 48.725. The Golden Gophers also set a team season-high on the balance beam of 48.650.

TWO GOPHERS COMPETE IN ALL-AROUND — For the first time since the 1997 season, Minnesota has athletes competing in the all-around. **Judy Cavazos** recorded a season-high 39.000 Saturday at Utah, just .3 short of her school record of 39.300 set in 1997, her first season. **MaryAnne Kelley** scored 38.625 Saturday after scoring a 38.450 at Michigan and in the Best of Minnesota meet.

MAZZONE FINISHES CAREER — Senior **Jenny Mazzone** had knee surgery Dec. 14 and will not return to the Golden Gopher lineup.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson enter their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 22-8 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year

honors in 1997 and 1995. As Minnesota's head coach, Stephenson has a record of 95-91, with a record of 73-83 in his first five years. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson is in her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Meg Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

GOPHERS RANKED NO. 9 — Minnesota was ranked ninth after the second week of competition with a best score of 193.550, recorded at Michigan a week ago. Preseason coaches poll No. 1 Georgia has the best score, at 196.450. Saturday's opponent, Alabama, is third with a mark of 196.050 scored against Stanford. Penn State is the highest Big Ten Conference school, ranked No. 4 at 195.075, with Ohio State at No. 6, Minnesota at No. 9 and Michigan at No. 12. The next rankings will be released Tuesday.

The rankings:

1. Georgia	196.450
2. Utah	196.050
3. Alabama	195.725
4. Penn State	195.075
5. LSU	194.150
6. Ohio State	193.975
7. Nebraska	193.725
8. Florida	193.600
9. Minnesota	193.559
10. UCLA	193.525
11. Illinois-Chicago	193.450
12. Michigan	193.300
13. Arizona State	193.150
14. Ball State	192.800
15. SE Missouri	192.750
16. Stanford	192.575
17. Maryland	192.375
18. Arizona	192.275
19. Washington	192.250
20. Oklahoma	192.150
21. Bowling Green	191.950
22. Auburn	191.750
23. Missouri	191.650
24. Central Michigan	191.425
25. New Hampshire	191.125

UP NEXT — Minnesota returns home for meets Feb. 6 against Iowa State and Feb. 13 against Iowa.

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 4-1 Dual: 1-1 Invites: 0-0 Home: 3-1 Away: 1-0 Big Ten: 1-0 Top 25: 1-1

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of MN	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #7 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 vs. #2 Utah	194.175	194.600	48.200	48.475	48.725	48.725	48.650	49.050	48.600	48.350
1/30 at #3 Alabama										
2/6 vs. Iowa State										
2/13 vs. Iowa										
2/20 at West Virginia										
2/27 at Illinois										
3/5 at Iowa										
3/7 at Iowa State										
3/12 vs. West Virginia										
3/21 vs. Denver										
3/27 Big Ten Championships										

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT

VAULT	9.700	MaryAnne Kelley	at #7 Michigan, 1/15
UNEVEN BARS	9.900	Judy Cavazos	vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
BALANCE BEAM	9.850	Cathy Keyser	vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
FLOOR EXERCISE	9.875	Judy Cavazos	vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
ALL-AROUND	38.900	Judy Cavazos	at #7 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM VAULT	48.250		at #7 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	48.725		vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	48.650		vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	48.950		vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	194.175		vs. #2 Utah, 1/23

*-school record



1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 1-1 Big Ten: 0-0

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan 11 a.m.
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 at Marquette 9 a.m.

FEBRUARY

4-7 at Rolex National Indoor Championship
7 Illinois-Chicago 8 a.m.
12 at Syracuse 3 p.m.
13 vs. Maryland (at Syracuse) 2 p.m.
20 Illinois 5 p.m.
27 Indiana 5 p.m.
28 Purdue 10 a.m.

MARCH

5 at Iowa State 3 p.m.
6 at Drake 10 a.m.
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home games in caps and bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

Minnesota vs. Western Michigan
Saturday, Jan. 30
Minnesota at Marquette
Sunday, Jan. 31

Contact: Crystal Colby 612/624-3335, colb0037@tc.umn.edu

GOPHERS HIT THE ROAD FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS SEASON — Minnesota, 1-1 on the season, hits the road for two games this weekend. Saturday, the Golden Gophers will play Western Michigan in Milwaukee, with a game Sunday at Marquette.

ABOUT WESTERN MICHIGAN — Western Michigan is 1-2 on the season. The Broncos played Indiana and Butler at home on Friday, Jan. 23. Western Michigan swept Butler, 7-0, but lost to Indiana, 5-2. The Broncos then traveled to Michigan, where they lost, 6-3.

ABOUT MARQUETTE — Marquette is ranked No. 35 and have started the spring season 2-1. The Golden Eagles won two matches at home on Saturday, defeating Indiana State and Illinois-Chicago, both by 7-2 scores. Marquette then fell to Ohio State at home, 7-2.

The Golden Eagles are led by junior Elisa Penalvo, who is ranked ninth in the nation in singles, and senior Ana Fernandez, who is ranked 18th. Penalvo and Fernandez were named the Intercollegiate Tennis Association National Doubles Team of the Month for November. The duo is ranked fifth and won the doubles title at the ITA Midwest Region Championships Nov. 5-8 in Notre Dame, Ind.

FEDERATED INSURANCE COURT CLASSIC RESULTS — The Minnesota women's tennis team fell to No. 15 Pepperdine Friday in the first round of the Federated Insurance Court Classic at the Northwest Athletic Club in Bloomington, Minn.

Minnesota earned wins at No. 1 singles and No. 3 singles. Senior **Sitinee (Alice) Rangsihienchai (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor)** defeated Angela Lawrence at No. 1 singles, 6-7, 7-6, 6-0. Junior **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** won her match at No. 3 singles over Bloomington, Minn., native Anh Nguyen, 2-6, 6-2, 6-0.

The Gophers won one doubles match, at the No. 3 position. **Sauska** and newcomer **Jen Howard (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea)** teamed to defeat Nguyen and Cintia Tortorella, 8-4. But Pepperdine won the other two doubles matches to earn the doubles point.

In Saturday's consolation match, Minnesota defeated DePaul, 6-1.

The Gophers swept all matches except at the number-one singles position, where Minnesota's Sitinee Rangsihienchai was defeated by DePaul's Barbara Fuzesi, 6-3, 6-2.

Pepperdine defeated No. 16 Notre Dame, 4-3, to claim the Classic championship. Notre Dame swept DePaul, 7-0, in the first round.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — **Martin Novak** enters his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gopher women's tennis team. **Novak** has compiled a record of 83-96. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten. **Novak** earned a bachelor's degree in education with a concentration in kinesiology from Texas Christian University in 1984. He attended the University of Arkansas and received a master's degree in physical education with a concentration in sports management in 1988.

**1998-99 University of Minnesota
Women's Tennis Statistics**

Overall: 1-1 Big Ten: 0-0 Home: 2-0 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 0-0

Date	Opponent	Location	W/L	Score	Record
1/22	#15 Pepperdine	Home	L	5-2	0-1
1/23	DePaul	Home	W	6-1	1-1
1/30	Western Michigan	Milwaukee			
1/31	#35 Marquette	Away			
2/7	Illinois-Chicago	Home			
2/12	Syracuse	Away			
2/13	Maryland	Syracuse			
2/20	Illinois*	Home			
2/27	Indiana*	Home			
2/28	Purdue*	Home			
3/5	Iowa State	Away			
3/6	Drake	Away			
3/25	Texas Christian	Away			
4/4	Northwestern*	Home			
4/10	Iowa*	Away			
4/11	Wisconsin*	Away			
4/16	Michigan*	Home			
4/18	Michigan State*	Home			
4/23	Ohio State*	Away			
4/25	Penn State*	Away			
4/29-30	Big Ten Championship	Michigan State			

*Big Ten Conference

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang							4-0		4-0	1.000
Nora Sauska			2-0				8-5		10-5	.667
Kim Simonsen		1-1					6-3		7-4	.636
S. Rangsithienchai	1-1						11-7		12-8	.600
Tarah Elkins						1-1	3-2		4-3	.571
Jana Hrdinova				1-1			3-3		4-4	.500
Jen Howard					1-1		3-3		4-4	.500
Andrea Rose							2-3		2-3	.400
Totals	1-1	1-1	2-0	1-1	1-1	1-1	40-26		47-31	.603

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	Pct.
Sauska/Howard			2-0	7-1		9-1	.900
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1		2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1		1-1	.500
Elkins/Rangsithienchai		1-1		1-2		2-3	.400
Hrdinova/Simonsen	0-2			3-3		3-5	.375
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2		1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai				0-1		0-1	.000
Totals		0-2	1-1	2-0	15-11	18-14	.563

1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

9	Northwest Open	unscored
16	at Badger Classic (Madison, Wis.)	unscored
23	at Wis.-Stout	5th (48 points)
30	Minnesota Classic	10 a.m.

February

5-6	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	4 p.m.
5-6	at Husker Invitational (Lincoln, Neb.)	9 a.m.
13	Minnesota Open	11 a.m.
20-21	at Big Ten Championships (Ohio State)	

March

5-6	at NCAA Championships (Indianapolis)
21-28	Spring Trip (Rice University)

Home meets in **bold** at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

2-3	at Texas Relays (Austin, Texas)
9-10	at SEA Ray Relays (Tennessee)
17	at UNI Invitational at St. Olaf Invitational
23-24	at Penn Relays (Philadelphia, Pa.)
24-25	at Drake Relays (Des Moines, Iowa)
25	at Macalaster Invitational (St. Paul, Minn.)

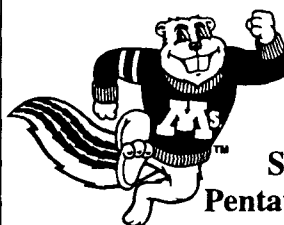
May

1	Heartland Classic	10 a.m.
8	Minnesota Open	10 a.m.
8	at North Carolina Invitational	
15	Minnesota Qualifier	10 a.m.
21-23	at Big Ten Championships (Purdue)	

June

2-5	at NCAA Championships (Boise State)
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Home meets in **bold** at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

the Minnesota Classic

Saturday, Jan. 30, Minnesota Field House
Pentathlon: 9:30 a.m. / Track & Field events: Noon

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UP NEXT — Minnesota hosts the Minnesota Classic on Saturday. The pentathlon events begin at 9:30 a.m., with track and field events starting at noon. Athletes from Minnesota, Marquette, Arkansas-Little Rock, Texas A&M and North Dakota State are scheduled to compete.

JOHNSON WINS 800 AT WIS.-STOUT — Junior **Gena Johnson (Fond du Lac, Wis./Goodrich)** won the 800 meters to lead the Gophers on Saturday at the Wisconsin-Stout Invitational in Menominee, Wis. **Johnson** won the event in 2 minutes, 17.77 seconds. Newcomer **Jenny Moylan (New Brighton, Minn./Irondale)** placed fourth in 2:21.64.

Sophomore **Stacie Blaskowski (Eau Claire, Wis./North)** placed second in the pole vault with a mark of 8 feet, 11 3/4 inches. Sophomore **Rachel Domenichetti (St. Paul, Minn./Harding)** placed second in the mile run in a time of 5:23.09. Senior **Nikki Rassbach (Chippewa Falls, Wis./Chippewa Falls)** placed fourth in the 5000 in 19:31.84.

The Golden Gophers placed fifth with 48 points. Wisconsin-La Crosse won the meet with 239 points, followed by Wisconsin-River Falls with 128, Carleton with 72 and St. Benedict with 53.50.

SCHMITT PROVISIONALLY QUALIFIES — At the Badger Classic on Jan. 16, sophomore **Aubrey Schmitt (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)** provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in the shot put with a winning mark of 49-10. She also placed second in the weight throw with a toss of 52-9 1/2.

NEW TO THE TOP 10 — Junior **Christine Gulbrandsen (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole)** set a Minnesota and Camp Randall Memorial Sports Center record in the pole vault at the Badger Classic. **Gulbrandsen** recorded a jump of 11-1 3/4 to win the event. She also placed third in the long jump at 18-10 3/4, the fourth-best mark in Minnesota history.

Senior **Yvette White (Washington, D.C./Woodrow Wilson)** set a school record in winning the 60-meter hurdles in a time of 8.72 seconds. That time breaks the mark of 8.79 set Jan. 9 by junior **Neketa Sears (Nassau, Bahamas/C.J. Gibson Secondary School)**. **White** also placed second in the 600 meters in 1:34.47, the second-fastest time in Minnesota history.

Minnesota's 4x400 relay team of senior **Kim Heath (Pittsburgh, Pa./Schenley)**, **Yvette White**, junior **Natalie Smith (St. Thomas, Barbados/St. Michael School)** and **Neketa Sears** placed second in 3:52.58, which ranks sixth all-time for the Golden Gophers.

1999 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

60 Meters

1. Kim Heath (a)	7.74
2. Pattie Galle (a)	8.21
3. Stacie Blaskowski (b)	8.24

200 meters

1. Pattie Galle (b)	26.80
2. Jaime Hamilton (c)	29.10

400 meters

1. Pattie Galle (a)	60.99
2. Jessica Shuster (a)	61.00
3. Alissa Bruss (b)	61.74

600 meters

1. Yvette White (b)	1:34.47
2. Neketa Sears (b)	1:38.93
3. Gretchen Witty (c)	1:50.60

800 meters

1. Gena Johnson (c)	2:17.77
2. Jenny Moylan (c)	2:21.64
3. Neketa Sears (a)	2:28.45

Mile

1. Rachel Domenichetti (c)	5:23.09
2. Tiffany Barron (c)	5:32.95
3. Tanya Prince (c)	5:35.06

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (b)	10:00.18
2. Corinne Nimtz (b)	10:04.69
3. Aimee Daus (b)	10:09.08

5000 meters

1. Nikki Rassbach (c)	19:31.94
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60 meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	8.72*
2. Neketa Sears (a)	8.79
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	9.48

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Smith, Sears (b)	3:52.58
2. Minnesota B (b)	4:08.43
3. Moylan, Chalin, Luppess, Johnson (c)	4:09.61

Distance Medley Relay

High Jump

1. Alissa Bruss (b)	5-2 1/4 (1.58)
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Long Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	18-10 3/4 (5.76)
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Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (b)	49-10 (15.19)
2. Nicole Chimko (b)	45-8 (13.92)
3. Jenney Luer (b)	41-1 3/4 (12.54)

Weight Throw

1. Aubrey Schmitt (a)	54-9 1/2 (16.70)
2. Brenda Meyer (b)	51-8 1/2 (15.76)
3. Angie Hill (b)	51-2 1/4 (15.60)

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	11-1 3/4 (3.40)*
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	10-2 (3.10)

* School Record

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, Minn.)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, Wis.)

(c) Wisconsin-Stout Invitational (Menomonie, Wis.)



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule
27-1-1 overall
2-1 Big Ten

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
(Chapel Hill, N.C.)
def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
def. S. Carolina 278-92
tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
(Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 **Minnesota Invitational**
(1st/12 teams, 1,045.5 pts.)

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
Swimmers - Maui, Hawaii
Divers - Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
(Austin, Texas)
- 9 **Gold Country Invitational**
(1st/13 teams, 1,257 pts.)
- 16 **Nebraska W, 170-130**
22 at Northwestern L, 154-146
- 23 **Iowa W, 169.5-130.5**
- 29-30 **Quad Duals 6 p.m./noon**
Minnesota, Wisconsin,
Purdue, Illinois
(Indianapolis)

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 **Minnesota Challenge**
Fri./Sat. 6 p.m./noon
- 18-20 **Big Ten Championship**
Thur.-Sat. 11 a.m./7 p.m.
- 27 **Gopher Invitational TBA**

MARCH

- 12-13 **Zone C Diving**
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 18-20 **NCAA Championships**
(Athens, Ga.)

Home meets at the University
Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard
Pool



1998-99 Minnesota Swimming & Diving

Minnesota at Quad Duals
Friday-Saturday, Jan. 29-30, 1999
SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHERS COMPETE AT QUAD DUALS — The No. 14 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team will face three Big Ten opponents at a quad dual meet in Indianapolis, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 29-30. The Golden Gophers, who own a 2-1 mark in dual meets against Big Ten opponents this season, will compete against No. 16 Wisconsin, Illinois and Purdue.

GOPHERS EDGED BY NO. 12 NORTHWESTERN — Minnesota was edged by No. 12 Northwestern, 154-146, in a dual meet in Evanston, Ill., on Friday. The decision hinged on the outcome of meet's final race, the 400-yard freestyle relay. The Wildcat relay won by a .22-second margin to give Northwestern the narrow victory.

The Wildcats won 10 events to five for the Golden Gophers. Senior co-captain **T.D. Rowe (Issaquah, Wash./Liberty)** led the Gopher effort with a pair of titles in the diving events. **Rowe** posted a score of 289.20 to win the 1-meter springboard and then tallied 283.58 to capture the title on the 3-meter board.

The Gophers swept the top three places in the 200 butterfly, with **Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** first at 2:01.58, **Terri Jashinsky (Menomonee Falls, Wis./Menomonee Falls)** second in 2:02.48 and **Andrea Simakova (Brno, Czech Republic/Botanicka)** third at 2:03.09. Minnesota also swept the diving competitions. **Rachel Degener (Kaysville, Utah/Davis)** placed second on both boards with scores of 275.55 on the 1-meter and 262.58 on the 3-meter, while **Tracy LaVoi (Sauk Rapids, Minn./St. Cloud Tech)** was third on the 1-meter (263.02) and **Christina Rinkus (Yardley, Pa./Pennsbury)** third on the 3-meter (261.75).

Other Minnesota winners were **Amy Cottrill (Fairport, N.Y./Fairport)** in the 200 freestyle (1:51.41) and **Jashinsky** in the 100 butterfly (55.36).

GOPHERS REBOUND TO DEFEAT IOWA — First-year swimmer **Jinny Smedstad (Cedar Rapids, Iowa/John F. Kennedy)** won three events, all in meet record times, to lead the Minnesota to a 169.5-130.5 victory over Iowa in a dual meet at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool on Saturday.

Smedstad was clocked in an NCAA consideration time of 4:23.72 in winning the 400 individual medley, smashing the meet record by nearly 11 seconds. She also won the 200 freestyle (1:51.21) and the 200 backstroke (2:03.67).

T.D. Rowe won the 1-meter (262.05) and 3-meter (280.50) diving events, marking the third consecutive dual meet the Gopher co-captain has swept the diving titles.

Minnesota won 10 of the 16 events, setting a total of six meet records. All told, 10 meet records fell on Saturday. Other Gophers winning with record times were **Beth Shimanski (Hutchinson, Minn./Hutchinson)** in the 100 backstroke (57.33), **Andrea Simakova** in the 100 butterfly (56.22) and the 200 medley relay team of **Ann Cahoy (Hudson, Wis./Hudson)**, **Kate McMillan (Palatine, Ill./Palatine)**, **Jenny Hennen** and **Amy Cottrill** (1:47.40). **Simakova** was a double-winner, adding the 200 butterfly title in a time of 2:03.64. **Elizabeth Pierce (Bismark, N.D./Century)** won the 200 breaststroke with a time of 2:19.54.

MINNESOTA RANKED 14TH — Minnesota is ranked No. 14 in the Speedo American College Swimming Coaches Association Top 25, dated Jan. 21. Georgia is No. 1, while Michigan (No. 9), Northwestern (No. 12) and Wisconsin (No. 16) are other Big Ten teams included in the national poll. Illinois and Indiana received votes.

University of Minnesota
1998-99 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 27-1-1 Dual Record: 4-1-1 Big Ten: 2-1 Invitationals: 23-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/6-7/98	vs. #7 Michigan	W	12th	230.5-139.5	1/23/99	Iowa	W	14th	169.5-130.5
11/6-7/98	at #16 North Carolina	T	12th	185-185	1/29-30/99	vs. Wisconsin (at Indianapolis)			
11/6-7/98	vs. South Carolina	W	12th	278-92	1/29-30/99	vs. Purdue (at Indianapolis)			
11/13-14/98	at Meet of Champions	Exb.	12th	n/a	1/29-30/99	vs. Illinois (at Indianapolis)			
11/20-22/98	Minnesota Invite	1st/12	13th	1045.5	2/5-6/99	Minnesota Challenge			
12/13-24/98	Training Trip (Hawaii/Florida)		13th	n/a	2/18-20/99	Big Ten Championships			
1/6-10/99	at All-American Inv. (Divers)		13th	n/a	2/27/99	Gopher Invitational			
1/9/99	Gold Country Invite	1st/13	13th	1257	3/12-13/99	at NCAA Zone C Diving (Bloomington, Ind.)			
1/16/99	#8 Nebraska	W	13th	170-130	3/18-20/99	at NCAA Championships (Athens, Ga.)			
1/22/99	at #12 Northwestern	L	14th	154-146					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool
 Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)
 Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (22.78, 23.46, 22.97)	200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.70, 1:59.60)	400y Free Relay (3:19.16, 3:25.13, 3:22.78)
Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 23.68	Ann Cahoy 1/22/99 2:02.16	3:24.89 Andrea Simakova, Jinny Smedstad
Terri Jashinsky 1/9/99 23.96	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:02.92	1/22/99 Lital Kashnel, Amy Mickschl
Katy Christoferson 1/22/99 24.19	Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 2:03.67	
Meghan Sonstegard 1/16/99 24.29	Amy Mickschl 1/16/99 2:04.68	800y Free Relay (7:14.15, 7:27.17, 7:21.43)
Jenny Hennen 1/9/99 24.31	Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 2:06.86	7:27.76 Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen,
		11/20/98 Terri Jashinsky, Katy Christoferson
100y Free (49.39, 50.87, 50.28)	100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32 ^{4,5,9})	200y Medley Relay (1:41.48, 1:44.52, 1:41.58)
Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 51.45	Kate McMillan 1/22/99 1:04.43	1:44.78 Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan
Jenny Hennen 1/16/99 51.49	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 1:05.41	1/22/99 Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill
Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 51.79	Elizabeth Pierce 1/22/99 1:05.75	
Katy Christoferson 1/9/99 51.93	Kelsey Hegener 1/9/99 1:06.32	400y Medley Relay (3:39.58, 3:46.16, 3:41.27)
Meghan Sonstegard 11/20/98 52.39	Kim Harrod 11/20/98 1:06.70	3:47.69 Meghan Sonstegard,
		11/20/98 Andrea Simakova, Emily Deppe,
		Katy Christoferson
200y Free (1:47.58, 1:50.80, 1:48.52)	200y Breaststroke (2:14.16, 2:18.18, 2:11.60)	1 M Diving (6) (255, 295.12)
Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 1:50.27 ⁶	Elizabeth Pierce 1/23/99 2:19.54	T.D. Rowe 1/22/99 289.20
Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 1:51.21	Kate McMillan 1/22/99 2:19.71	Christina Rinkus 1/16/99 252.45
Jenny Hennen 1/16/99 1:51.99	Katy Christoferson 1/23/99 2:21.81	Tracy LaVoi 1/16/99 248.93
Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 1:52.63	Kelsey Hegener 1/23/99 2:25.34	Rachel Degener 1/16/99 233.70
Amy Mickschl 1/22/99 1:53.51	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:25.46	Alison Schiefelbein 1/16/99 186.15
500y Free (4:46.31, 4:54.89, 4:46.95 ⁹)	100y Butterfly (54.58, 56.21, 54.24)	1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)
Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 4:54.44 ⁶	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 54.71 ⁶	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 434.20
Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 5:01.52	Andrea Simakova 1/23/99 56.22	Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 391.60
Amy Mickschl 1/22/99 5:04.07	Jenny Hennen 1/22/99 56.29	Tracy LaVoi 11/20/98 356.45
Jenny Hennen 11/20/98 5:05.80	Anne Koller 1/22/99 59.30	Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 322.90
Marta Knowles 11/20/98 5:06.58	Kim Hamren 1/23/99 59.34	Rachel Degener 1/22/99 275.55
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68)	200y Butterfly (2:00.09, 2:03.69, 2:00.09)	3 M Diving (6) (270, 332.90)
Jinny Smedstad 1/16/99 10:11.46	Jenny Hennen 1/16/99 2:01.19 ⁶	T.D. Rowe 1/16/99 310.73
Marta Knowles 1/22/99 10:22.04	Terri Jashinsky 1/22/99 2:02.48 ⁶	Christina Rinkus 1/16/99 250.13
Terri Jashinsky 1/23/99 10:27.88	Andrea Simakova 1/22/99 2:03.09 ⁶	Tracy LaVoi 1/16/99 230.33
Amy Mickschl 1/23/99 10:30.74	Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 2:08.57	Rachel Degener 1/16/99 224.03
Briana Rygg 1/16/99 10:53.54	Kim Hamren 1/23/99 2:09.20	Rachelle Giese 12/18/98 202.05
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)	200y IM (2:00.94, 2:04.56, 2:02.29)	3 M Diving (11) (425, 572.75)
Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 17:18.40	Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 2:04.54 ⁶	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 484.30
Marta Knowles 11/20/98 17:30.11	Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 2:06.66	Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 454.05
Shelley Miller 1/9/99 18:02.22	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:06.88	Tracy LaVoi 11/20/98 392.25
Briana Rygg 1/9/99 18:04.88	Jenny Hennen 1/9/99 2:08.04	Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 384.35
Kim Hamren 1/9/99 18:54.11	Kate McMillan 11/20/98 2:09.81	Rachel Degener 1/22/99 262.58
100y Backstroke (54.87, 56.51, 54.21)	400y IM (4:17.34, 4:25.06, 4:16.25)	Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)
Beth Shimanski 1/23/99 57.33	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 4:22.95 ⁶	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 295.40
Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 57.85	Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 4:23.72 ⁶	Christina Rinkus 11/20/98 267.80
Emily Deppe 11/20/98 58.12	Emily Deppe 11/20/98 4:28.43	Rachelle Giese 11/20/98 203.05
Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 58.33	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 4:29.25	
Sara Rutkowski 11/20/98 58.69	Andrea Simakova 1/9/99 4:35.68	
	200y Free Relay (1:30.76, 1:33.48, 1:32.77)	Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)
	1:35.09 Amy Cottrill, Katy Christoferson,	
	11/20/98 Meghan Sonstegard, Beth Shimanski	

¹Lead-off split time ²Varsity record ³NCAA automatic qualifying time ⁴Former American Record ⁵All-time Big Ten Record
⁶NCAA Consideration time ⁷NCAA Zone diving qualifying ⁸at NCAA Zone C meet ⁹at NCAA Championship ¹⁰Big Ten Championship Record

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Friday, Feb. 5

BB hosts Michigan 7 p.m.
HC hosts Cornell 7 p.m.
SW/D hosts Minnesota Challenge 6 p.m.
T/F at Iowa State Invitational

Saturday, Feb. 6

SW/D hosts Minnesota Challenge noon/6 p.m.
HC hosts Cornell 7 p.m.
GY hosts Iowa State 7 p.m.
T/F at Iowa State Invitational

Sunday, Feb. 7

HC hosts Minn. State, Mankato 3 p.m.
TN hosts Illinois-Chicago 8 a.m.

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What's Coming Up

Basketball

- Golden Gophers host Michigan on Friday

Gymnastics

- No. 8 Minnesota hosts No. 14 Iowa State on Saturday

Hockey

- No. 4 Minnesota hosts a two-game series with Cornell and a match-up against Minnesota State, Mankato

Swimming & Diving

- No. 14 Gophers host the Minnesota Challenge

Track & Field

- Golden Gophers travel to the Iowa State Invitational

Tennis

- Minnesota hosts Illinois-Chicago

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- Gophers post a 0-0 tie against defending national champion New Hampshire after defeating Concordia 3-0

Basketball

- Moneeke Bowden garners career-high numbers against Northwestern

Gymnastics

- No. 8 Gophers post season-high team score of 194.65

Swimming & Diving

- Gophers defeat Wisconsin, Illinois and Purdue in Quad Duals

Track & Field

- Christine Gulbrandsen and Aubrey Schmitt break school records at the Minnesota Classic

Tennis

- Sitinee Rangsitienchai, Jen Howard and Tarah Elkins win matches against both Western Michigan and Marquette



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 7-14 Big Ten: 2-9

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at S. Florida	W, 68-64 (OT)
19	at Stetson	W, 62-57
28	at Wisconsin*	L, 59-70
30	at Purdue*	L, 52-73

January

3	Penn State*	L, 43-72
5	Iowa*	L, 58-66
10	at Michigan*	W, 54-47
15	at Northwestern*	W, 70-68
17	Indiana*	L, 66-80
22	at Michigan State*	L, 58-73
24	at Ohio State*	L, 42-68
29	Illinois*	L, 69-88
31	Northwestern*	L, 53-66

February

5	Michigan*	7 p.m.
12	at Iowa*	7 p.m.
14	at Penn State*	2 p.m.
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament
12-15	at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round
20-22	at NCAA Regionals
26-28	at NCAA Final Four

Home games in bold are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



Michigan at Minnesota
Friday, Feb. 5, 7 p.m.
(Radio: AM 980 KKMS)

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The University of Minnesota women's basketball team concludes a three-game homestand Friday against Michigan. The Gophers will try to break a 13-game conference home losing streak. The Gophers need one more victory to double their victory total from each of the past three seasons. Minnesota needs one more Big Ten victory to surpass its conference victory total for the last three years combined. Minnesota had a .500 non-conference record this season for the first time since 1994-95, finishing its 10 non-league games at 5-5.

BROADCAST INFORMATION — Friday's game against Michigan will be broadcast live on KKMS Radio (980 AM) in the Twin Cities by Paul Barnes and Carol Ann Shudlick, Minnesota's all-time leading scorer. The remainder of Minnesota's games will be broadcast live by AM 980 KKMS. The Gophers' next telecast in the Twin Cities will be Sunday, Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. against Wisconsin on Midwest Sports Channel.

STARTING LINEUP — Minnesota has started the same five players for the past seven games. **Kim Bell (Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn)** has been the starting center for the past seven games. **Brandi Harris (Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC)** and **Swantreca Taylor (Donaldsville, La./Como Park HS)** have started the last 10 games for Minnesota. The other two Minnesota starters are **Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparral)**, who has started all 21 games for Minnesota, and **Erin Olson (Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell)**, who has started the last 19 games.

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach Cheryl Littlejohn is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 11-37 (.229) record in her two-year collegiate career. Littlejohn served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. Littlejohn played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT MICHIGAN — The Wolverines (13-7 overall, 5-5 Big Ten) are currently in fifth place in the Big Ten, leading Michigan State and Wisconsin by a half-game for a first-round bye in the Big Ten Tournament. Michigan was on a four-game winning streak before running into a Badger buzzsaw Sunday at home, 70-46.

Michigan is averaging nearly 74 points per game and has a differential of +10.1 points per game. Junior forward Stacey Thomas is the Wolverines' top scorer and rebounder, averaging 15.1 points per game and 8.3 rebounds per game. Sophomore guard Anne Thorius averages 10.9 points per game and leads Michigan with 4.3 assists per game.

Head coach Sue Guevara is in her third season at the helm in Ann Arbor and has a record of 47-28 (.627).

THE SERIES — Minnesota leads the series, 17-16. The Gophers won their first Big Ten game of the season Jan. 10 in Ann Arbor, defeating the Wolverines 54-47. **Cassie VanderHeyden (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis)** led the Gophers with 17 points and **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** added 15 points and a career-high 12 rebounds. Stacey Thomas led Michigan with 18 points. Minnesota will try to defeat Michigan twice in a season for the first time since the 1993-94 season.

GOPHER REWIND: NORTHWESTERN — **Moneeke Bowden (Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC)** scored a career-high 16 points and **"Tweet" Blevins (Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC)** added 13 points and five assists, but the Wildcats defeated Minnesota, 66-53, Sunday at the Sports Pavilion. Megan Chawansky scored 17 points to lead three Wildcats in double figures. Northwestern earned a split of the season series after losing to Minnesota, 70-68, Jan. 15 in Evanston, Ill.

GOPHER REWIND: ILLINOIS — Minnesota dropped a 88-69 decision to Illinois on Friday at the Sports Pavilion. Susan Blausner (32) and Melissa Parker (24) combined for 56 of the 88 Illinois points. Minnesota trailed 45-38 early in the second half with possession of the ball, but Illinois scored the next seven points and led by double figures for the rest of the game. **Sonja Robinson** led the Gophers with 12 points and eight rebounds.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Home	Road	Overall
Purdue	11-0	6-0	5-0	19-1
Penn State	8-3	5-1	3-2	16-5
Ohio State	7-3	4-1	3-2	14-6
Illinois	7-3	4-1	3-2	13-7
Michigan	5-5	2-3	3-2	13-7
Michigan State	5-6	3-3	2-3	11-10
Wisconsin	5-6	4-0	1-6	10-11
Northwestern	3-7	1-4	2-3	9-11
Iowa	3-7	2-4	1-3	8-12
Indiana	2-9	1-4	1-5	13-12
MINNESOTA	2-9	0-5	2-4	7-14

BIG TEN UPDATE — Purdue will win the Big Ten championship and the No. 1 seed in the tournament. No other team is assured of a first-round bye in the Big Ten Tournament. Six teams still have a realistic chance of finishing fifth or better in the standings. Wisconsin put themselves back into the hunt for an upper-division finish

with a road win at Michigan and has a chance to solidify that position with home games against Penn State and Michigan State this week. If the season ended today, Minnesota would be the No. 11 seed in the Big Ten Tournament and would play No. 6 seed Michigan State in the first round, with the winner playing No. 3 seed Ohio State.

ROBINSON CONTINUES TO LEAD — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continues to lead Minnesota in both scoring and rebounding. **Sonja Robinson** is 5-11 and normally starts against players that are considerably taller than she is. That has not stopped her from compiling some impressive numbers for the Gophers. **Robinson** leads Minnesota in scoring at 11.1 points per game and rebounding at 7.7 rebounds per game. She established a career high with 20 points at Michigan State on Jan. 22 and led the Gophers with eight rebounds. Already this season, she has established career highs in a season with 234 points and 161 rebounds, and has played more minutes (34.8 per game) than any other Gopher. **Robinson** has scored 10 or more points in 13 games and has led or shared the lead in Gopher scoring nine times. She has four of Minnesota's six double-figure rebounding efforts this season.

OLSON CONTINUES SOLID PLAY — **Erin Olson** continues to be a steady influence at the point guard position for the Gophers. **Olson** is leading the Gophers in several categories, including three-point percentage (.419), assists (84) and steals (28). Her eight assists against Indiana on Jan. 17 matched her career high and is Minnesota's top assist performance of the season. **Olson** has a Big Ten assist average of 4.5, which ranks among the leading Big Ten players. Minnesota's fourth-leading scorer (6.8 points per game) is second on the team with 74 defensive rebounds and 10 blocked shots.

HARRIS MAKING A DIFFERENCE — During the non-conference season, **Brandi Harris** played in each of the 10 games, but with limited success. She scored in only three games, including two points in an eight-game span. The conference season has been a completely different story. **Harris** is Minnesota's third-leading scorer in Big Ten games, averaging 8.6 points per conference game. She is the Gophers' top shooter from beyond the arc (40.4 percent), which ranks among the Big Ten leaders. A look at the numbers:

	Min.	Pts.	Reb.	Stl.
Non-Conf.	8.2	1.6	1.4	0.3
Big Ten	19.2	8.6	3.3	1.1

VANDERHEYDEN MAKES THE LIST — Minnesota first-year player **Cassie VanderHeyden (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis)** is nearing some select company when it comes to three-point shooting at Minnesota.

VanderHeyden, who has already made more triples than any first-year player in the history of the program, entered Minnesota's all-time top five in three-pointers with two triples against Northwestern. The all-time Minnesota single-season list:

1.	Shannon Loeblein	63	1994-95
2.	Jodi Olson	48	1989-90
3.	Lea Blackwell	45	1988-89
4.	Stacy Carver	43	1992-93
	Sarah Schieber	43	1997-98
	Cassie VanderHeyden	43	1998-99

TRIPLE THREAT — Minnesota has shot the ball very well from three-point territory in conference play. The Gophers are third in the league in three-pointers made (5.1 per game) and are third in percentage (.352). Minnesota needs six three-pointers to match the school record for most three-pointers in a season (102, 1994-95).

RING THE BELL — Minnesota first-year player **Kim Bell** is beginning to make an impact for the Gophers, especially on the defensive end of the floor. In the two games at Michigan State and Ohio State, **Bell** blocked 10 shots, establishing a career high with five blocked shots in East Lansing and matching that mark two days later in Columbus. In the Ohio State game, she set career highs with 25 minutes, six points and 10 rebounds. Friday against Illinois, she reset her career high with eight points. **Bell** has now blocked 31 shots in 187 minutes this season, which averages to a block every 6.0 minutes of playing time.

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench has been a source of strength this season, outscoring its opponents in 17 of 21 games. Last week, the Gopher subs outscored the Illinois subs 28-19, and buried the Northwestern subs 47-8. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 543-340, an 9.7 points-per-game surplus from the bench.

WHAT'S NEXT — Minnesota takes its final Big Ten regular-season road trip of the season, playing games at Iowa on Friday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m. and Penn State on Sunday, Feb. 14, at 2 p.m. (EST). Both games will be broadcast on AM 980 KKMS in the Twin Cities.

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park (Minn.)
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-11	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
45	Ngozi Okechukwa	C	Fr.	6-3	Anambra, Nigeria/De La Salle (Minn.)
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach: Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)
 Assistant Coaches: Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson
 Coordinator of Basketball Operations: Robin Hester

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 01/31/99
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(7-14)	(2-6)	(4-7)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(2-9)	(0-5)	(2-4)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-5)	(2-1)	(2-3)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10) Tate, Jackie (10) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15) Bowden, Moneeke	(7) Tate, Jackie (7) LeOuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11) Olson, Erin (11) Taylor, Swantreca	(13) Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16) Robinson, Sonja (16) LeOuyer, Theresa	(8) Olson, Erin (8) Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17) Robinson, Sonja	(8) Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Robinson, Sonja (9) LeOuyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16) Olson, Erin	(10) Robinson, Sonja
12/16/98	7 p.m.	at South Florida	68-64	W OT	110	(13) Olson, Erin (13) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Bowden, Moneeke
12/19/98	7 p.m.	at Stetson	62-57	W	242	(16) Tate, Jackie	(9) Tate, Jackie
12/28/98	7 p.m.	* at Wisconsin	59-70	L	8760	(21) VanderHeyden, Cassie	(11) Robinson, Sonja
12/30/98	7:30 p.m.	* at Purdue	52-73	L	9330	(13) Olson, Erin	(7) Tate, Jackie
1/3/99	2 p.m.	* PENN STATE	43-72	L	2081	(16) Harris, Brandi	(7) VanderHeyden, Cassie (7) Robinson, Sonja
1/5/99	7 p.m.	* IOWA	58-66	L	1446	(12) Harris, Brandi	(5) Robinson, Sonja (5) LeOuyer, Theresa
1/10/99	7 p.m.	* at Michigan	54-47	W	796	(17) VanderHeyden, Cassie	(12) LeOuyer, Theresa
1/15/99	7 p.m.	* at Northwestern	70-68	W	770	(15) Robinson, Sonja	(9) Olson, Erin (9) Robinson, Sonja
1/17/99	2 p.m.	* INDIANA	66-80	L	1937	(20) Harris, Brandi	(9) Harris, Brandi (9) Robinson, Sonja
1/22/99	7:30 p.m.	* at Michigan State	58-73	L	1213	(20) Robinson, Sonja	(8) Robinson, Sonja
1/24/99	2 p.m.	* at Ohio State	42-68	L	9117	(10) Robinson, Sonja	(10) Bell, Kim
1/29/99	7 p.m.	* ILLINOIS	69-88	L	1228	(12) Robinson, Sonja	(8) Robinson, Sonja
1/31/99	2 p.m.	* NORTHWESTERN	53-66	L	1372	(16) Bowden, Moneeke	(10) Robinson, Sonja

* Big Ten ! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic @ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	10,548	1,319
AWAY.....	32,926	2,993
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	47,022	2,239

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 01/31/99
ALL GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		F T - F T A		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - A V G
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG								
21 Robinson, Sonja	21 21	731 34.8	100 237	.422	0 1	.000	34 48	.708	75 86	161 7.7	54 1	26 42	8 23	234 11.1				
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	21 2	398 19.0	61 184	.332	43 137	.314	18 23	.783	13 33	46 2.2	42 1	38 52	0 25	183 8.7				
33 LeOuyer, Theresa	21 12	413 19.7	56 136	.412	4 10	.400	48 79	.608	38 50	88 4.2	36 1	29 36	1 17	164 7.8				
04 Olson, Erin	21 19	715 34.0	48 143	.336	13 31	.419	33 44	.750	12 74	86 4.1	36 1	84 69	10 28	142 6.8				
23 Bowden, Moneeke	20 5	334 16.7	46 134	.343	10 27	.370	24 53	.453	27 51	78 3.9	56 2	12 34	5 19	126 6.3				
15 Tate, Jackie	21 6	519 24.7	48 109	.440	0 0	.000	28 35	.800	44 61	105 5.0	51 2	21 46	8 19	124 5.9				
05 Harris, Brandi	21 10	293 14.0	38 115	.330	22 55	.400	13 26	.500	23 27	50 2.4	44 2	13 45	0 15	111 5.3				
03 Elevins, Antoinetta	16 4	183 11.4	19 70	.271	3 17	.176	12 22	.545	8 19	27 1.7	29 1	19 19	0 5	53 3.3				
54 Bell, Kim	18 7	187 10.4	17 51	.333	0 0	.000	6 11	.545	14 31	45 2.5	43 3	2 23	31 2	40 2.2				
12 Hansen, Mindy	21 2	194 9.2	17 46	.370	0 4	.000	5 10	.500	21 18	39 1.9	24 0	20 25	1 5	39 1.9				
10 Taylor, Swantreca	20 17	252 12.6	10 41	.244	1 5	.200	10 15	.667	18 14	32 1.6	25 0	24 22	0 16	31 1.6				
35 Schaffer, Erin	2 0	6 3.0	0 1	.000	0 0	.000	1 2	.500	3 1	4 2.0	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 0.5				
30 Pickens, Brandy	8 0	25 3.1	0 1	.000	0 0	.000	3 6	.500	1 5	6 0.8	2 0	0 0	0 0	3 0.4				
TEAM REBOUNDS.....									45 50	95			11					

Minnesota	21	4250	460 1268	.363	96 287	.334	235 374	.628	342 520	862 41.0	442 14	288 424	64 174	1251 59.6
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Opponents	21	4250	494 1215	.407	85 258	.329	322 481	.669	282 538	820 39.0	364	317 371	87 182	1395 66.4
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SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	671	706	18	0	0	0	1395
Minnesota	557	681	13	0	0	0	1251

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CONFERENCE GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		F T - F T A		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - A V G
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG								
21 Robinson, Sonja	11 11	397 36.1	49 129	.380	0 1	.000	14 18	.778	36 47	83 7.5	27 0	19 25	2 11	112 10.2				
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	11 0	225 20.5	34 104	.327	25 78	.321	11 14	.786	10 19	29 2.6	25 0	23 33	0 12	104 9.5				
05 Harris, Brandi	11 10	211 19.2	32 85	.376	19 47	.404	12 23	.522	17 19	36 3.3	30 2	10 33	0 12	95 8.6				
15 Tate, Jackie	11 0	260 23.6	25 63	.397	0 0	.000	14 16	.875	21 25	46 4.2	27 2	9 23	4 11	64 5.8				
23 Bowden, Moneeke	10 1	136 13.6	23 57	.404	5 12	.417	6 18	.333	13 18	31 3.1	29 2	2 15	1 8	57 5.7				
33 LeOuyer, Theresa	11 4	171 15.5	19 53	.358	2 4	.500	18 30	.600	14 21	35 3.2	15 0	17 15	0 7	58 5.3				
04 Olson, Erin	11 11	363 33.0	18 70	.257	4 15	.267	9 13	.692	4 28	32 2.9	17 0	50 37	5 13	49 4.5				
54 Bell, Kim	11 7	148 13.5	16 41	.390	0 0	.000	6 9	.667	11 22	33 3.0	38 3	2 14	21 2	38 3.5				
03 Elevins, Antoinetta	7 1	64 9.1	7 22	.318	2 3	.667	3 4	.750	2 7	9 1.3	8 0	11 4	0 1	19 2.7				
12 Hansen, Mindy	11 0	96 8.7	8 22	.364	0 2	.000	2 2	1.00	8 7	15 1.4	11 0	12 15	0 4	18 1.6				
10 Taylor, Swantreca	11 10	117 10.6	5 17	.294	0 0	.000	0 2	.000	9 7	16 1.5	11 0	6 7	0 8	10 0.9				
30 Pickens, Brandy	2 0	11 5.5	0 0	.000	0 0	.000	0 0	.000	0 0	0 0.0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0.0				
35 Schaffer, Erin	1 0	1 1.0	0 0	.000	0 0	.000	0 0	.000	0 0	0 0.0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0.0				
TEAM REBOUNDS.....									32 29	61			5					

Minnesota	11	2200	236 663	.356	57 162	.352	95 149	.638	177 249	426 38.7	238	9 161	226 33	89 624	56.7
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Opponents	11	2200	269 623	.432	52 150	.347	181 275	.658	150 275	425 38.6	175	180 184	44 105	771 70.1
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SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	383	388	0	0	0	0	771
Minnesota	295	329	0	0	0	0	624

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 18-2-2

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1
7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1
27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2
28 Princeton@ W, 3-1
29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1
18 Manitoba# W, 3-1
19 Alberta# W, 9-2
20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 St. Cloud State W, 10-0
15 St. Lawrence\$ W, 5-0
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ W, 6-4
17 Toronto\$ W, 5-1
22 Wilfrid Laurier W, 10-0
23 Wilfrid Laurier W, 7-1
29 Concordia (Montreal)% W, 3-0
30 New Hampshire% T, 0-0 (ot)
31 Beatrice Aeros% L, 9-0

February

5 Cornell 7:05 p.m.
6 Cornell 7:05 p.m.
7 Minnesota State, Mankato 3:05 p.m.
13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.
14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.
20 Providence 2:33 p.m.
21 Providence 1:05 p.m.
26 Brown 7:05 p.m.
27 Brown 7:05 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA
22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.
26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

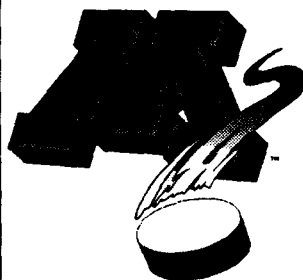
#—Bison Invitational

\$—High Peaks Classic

%—Citizens Bank Border Battle

Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

February 1, 1999



#4 Minnesota vs. Cornell
Friday-Saturday, Feb. 5-6, 1999

#4 Minnesota vs. MSU, Mankato
Sunday, Feb. 7, 1999

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota will play its third three-game weekend in four weeks as it hosts Cornell and Minnesota State, Mankato.

The Gophers and Big Red will meet at 7:05 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights while Minnesota will take on the Mavericks beginning at 3:05 p.m. Sunday.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fourth-ranked Gophers had a 17-game winning streak and a 19-game unbeaten streak snapped over the weekend as they finished third at the Citizens Bank Border Battle, hosted by New Hampshire.

Minnesota opened tournament play with a 3-0 win over eventual tournament champion Concordia behind a 30-save effort by Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy) and two goals and an assist by Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina).

That win ran the Gophers' winning streak to 17 games but the host Wildcats snapped that streak with a 0-0 overtime tie. Both teams received outstanding goaltending as Killewald stopped 32 shots for her third consecutive shutout while New Hampshire's Alicia Roberts had 22.

The tie ran the Gophers unbeaten streak to 19 games but that came to a crashing halt Sunday as the Beatrice Aeros, a AAA senior team from Ontario which boasts seven national team members on its roster, scored seven goals in the final period to hand Minnesota a 9-0 loss, its most lopsided loss ever.

CORNELL RECENTLY—The Big Red lost both games on its Rhode Island road trip over the weekend, falling 3-2 at Providence Friday before dropping a 3-1 decision at Brown Saturday.

Despite outshooting the Friars 39-25 Friday, Cornell had to come from behind to tie the game at 2-2 on Colette Bredin's goal at 8:43 of the third period but Providence got the game-winner just 42 seconds later. Alanna Hayes recorded 22 saves for the Big Red.

Saturday's game was just the opposite as Cornell was outshot 41-12, including 14-3 in the opening period, but the Big Red's Sarah Olivier gave her team a 1-0 lead 6:22 into the game, a lead which they held until Brown knotted the score at the seven-second mark of the second period. The Bears then scored twice in the final period to clinch the victory. Hayes stopped 38 shots for Cornell in the loss.

Carol Mullins is in her first season as the Big Red's head coach after spending six seasons as the team's assistant. A 1991 graduate of New Hampshire, where she earned her bachelor of arts degree in geography, Mullins was named UNH's Athlete of the Year in 1990 after leading the hockey team to the ECAC title while also claiming the New England collegiate championships in the discus and javelin. She currently sports a record of 11-9-0.

MSU, MANKATO RECENTLY—The Mavericks swept Minnesota-Duluth at home over the weekend, taking 11-0 and 4-1 victories from the Bulldogs at the Midwest Wireless Center.

MSU, Mankato set a school record by going 5-for-7 on the power play Friday. Michelle Sikich and Cara Samuelson each scored two goals and added two assists while Jenny Padgett made nine saves for her second shutout.

Saturday saw the Bulldogs hold tight to their hosts and the two teams headed into the third period tied 1-1 but Ryann Gelder helped set up three third-period goals and Ashleigh Miller had a goal and two assists for the game as MSU, Mankato raised its record to a season-best 10-11-0. Melissa Jackson had 21 saves for the Mavericks, who outshot UMD 37-22.

Head coach Todd Carroll is in his first season as a head coach after spending nine years as a men's assistant. A 1986 graduate of St. Olaf, he spent two years as a graduate assistant at St. Cloud State before returning to his alma mater, where he spent seven seasons before accepting his current position last year. Carroll currently sports a 10-11-0 record.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 2-2-2-2

BORDER BATTLE WRAP UP—The first Citizens Bank Border Battle featured some of the best women's hockey seen outside of international competition.

The defending American and Canadian collegiate champions, New Hampshire and Concordia, were there along with Minnesota and the Beatrice Aeros, the defending senior AAA Ontario provincial champions.

After the Gophers 3-0 win over the Stingers to open the tournament Friday, the Aeros defeated the host Wildcats 5-3. Saturday, Concordia turned around to beat the Aeros 6-1 while Minnesota and New Hampshire skated to their second tie of the season. Sunday, the Aeros put themselves in first place briefly in the tournament standings with their 9-0 rout of the Gophers but the Stingers clinched the title with a 4-1 win over New Hampshire.

Tournament MVP Corinne Swirsky recorded a natural hat trick in Concordia's 6-1 win over the Aeros and tallied four goals in the game. The remainder of the all-tournament team featured forwards **Jenny Schmidgall** of Minnesota, **Cindy Cryderman** of the Aeros and **Michelle Thornton** of New Hampshire. On defense were **Amy Coehlo** of Concordia and **Nicki Luongo** of New Hampshire and the goalie was the Stinger's **Jessika Audet**.

THE CENTURY MARK—With a goal and an assist Friday, **Nadine Muzerall** (Mississauga, Ontario/Kimball Union Academy) reached the 100-point mark for her career in just 45 games.

Muzerall's 21st goal of the season, at 10:04 of the opening period, was her fifth game-winner of the season and the sixth time in 19 games she has notched the game's first goal. It also extended her career-best point-scoring streak to 15 games.

BETTER BY THE BUNCH—With her three-point effort Friday, **Jenny Schmidgall** recorded her 14th multiple-point game of the season. She has scored three points five times, four points five times and five points three times.

HANGING THE COLLAR—Before allowing four goals in nearly 44 minutes of work Sunday, **Erica Killewald** has posted three consecutive shutouts.

She shutout **Wilfrid Laurier**, 10-0, Jan. 22 before hanging a 3-0 loss on Concordia and then tying New Hampshire 0-0.

Killewald had not allowed a goal in 201:24 before giving up **Cindy Cryderman's** short-handed breakaway goal at 6:37 of the first period Sunday.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore blueliner **Winnie Brodt** played for the U.S. Women's Select Team at the Three Nations Cup in Finland, Dec. 10-15.

Canada grabbed a 2-1 win over the United States, Dec. 10, in the tourney opener, but the U.S. rebounded the next day with a 3-2 win over Finland as **Schmidgall** assisted on the game-tying goal and then scored the game-winner 56 seconds into the third period.

After a two-day respite, the U.S. again fell to Canada, Dec. 14, 4-3 in a shootout before closing out play with a 4-3 win over Finland.

Schmidgall, who played in the 1998 Olympics, and **Brodt**, a member of the 1996 U.S. Women's Select Team, were chosen from the USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and were joined by Gopher head coach **Laura Halldorson**, who served as the team's assistant coach.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—Minnesota was ranked highly in a number of team statistical categories last week, as were several Gopher players.

Total points—1. Jenny Schmidgall, 51; 5. Nadine Muzerall, 35; 10. Kris Scholz, 32. **Points per game**—1. Schmidgall, 3.00; 5. Muzerall, 2.06; 10. Scholz, 1.68; 18. Laura Slominski, 1.41. **Totals goals**—1. Schmidgall, 24; 3. Muzerall, 20; t16. Amber Hegland, 13; t17. Scholz, 12.

Goals per game—2. Schmidgall, 1.41; 3. Muzerall, 1.18; 19. Hegland, 0.68. **Total assists**—2. Schmidgall, 27; t4. Scholz, 20; t10. Winnie Brodt, 17; t13. Slominski, 16; t18. Muzerall, 15. **Assists per game**—3. Schmidgall, 1.59; t8. Scholz, 1.05; 10. Brodt, 1.00; t11. Slominski, 0.94; 16. Muzerall, 0.88; t17. Shannon Kennedy, 0.82. **Power-play goals**—t2. Schmidgall, Muzerall, 7; t17. Scholz, Courtney Kennedy 3. **Short-handed goals**—t2. Muzerall, 2. **Game-winning goals**—t2. Muzerall, 4; t15. Schmidgall, S. Kennedy, 2, Emily Buchholz 2.

Goals against average—1. Crystal Nicholas, 0.55; 5. Erica Killewald, 1.36. **Save percentage**—3. Nicholas, .938; 4. Killewald, .937. **Winning percentage**—1. Nicholas, 1.000; 3. Killewald, .875. **Shutouts**—2. Nicholas, 4; t7. Killewald, 2.

Scoring offense—1st, 6.84. **Scoring defense**—2nd, 1.11. **Scoring margin**—1st, +5.74. **Power play**—1st, 36.6%. **Penalty kill**—5th, 89.2%.

THE SERIES—The Gophers are 1-0-0 versus Cornell and 2-0-0 versus Minnesota State, Mankato.

Minnesota defeated Cornell, 3-2, in the teams' only previous meeting, Nov. 30, 1997, at the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

The Gophers have defeated the Mavericks twice this season, 11-1 in the season-opener, Oct. 30, in Mankato, and 8-1 at home, Nov. 20.

WHEN LAST WE MET—Minnesota's victory over Cornell in last season's Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational clinched the tournament title.

After falling behind 1-0 and being outshot 9-1 in the first period, the Gophers stormed back, outshooting the Big Red 29-6 over the final 40 minutes. Yet, it wasn't until the 2:12 mark of the final period when **Brittney Ralph** (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center) tied the game but **Kelley Boutin** gave Cornell a 2-1 lead with 7:18 to play.

Nadine Muzerall and **Ambria Thomas** (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley) hooked up for Minnesota's final two goals as **Muzerall** got the tying goal 38 seconds after Boutin's goal and **Thomas** tallied the game-winner with 14 seconds left in the game.

The Gophers outshot MSU, Mankato 41-6 and downed the Mavericks 8-1 in their last meeting. **Nadine Muzerall** recorded her first hat trick of the season and **Tracy Engstrom** (Willmar, Minn./Willmar) added two goals. **Cara Samuelson** tallied Mankato's lone goal of the game while **Jenny Padgett** made 33 saves.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting a 98-84-14 overall record and a 39-9-5 mark at Minnesota.

She began her head coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year **Meaghan Sittler**.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival and also served as an assistant for the U.S. Women's Select team that competed in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Halldorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 3-3-3-3-3

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 17-3-4 in the five-year-old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets underway at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season, beginning Nov. 27 with the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational.

KKMS broadcast the Nov. 27-28 games from Princeton's Hobey Baker Rink and also carried the Concordia and New Hampshire games this past weekend at the Citizens Bank Border Battle at the Whittemore Center in Durham, N.H.

Additionally, KKMS will carry four home games, including two of this weekend's games. The remaining schedule features: Cornell, Feb. 5; Minnesota State, Mankato, Feb. 7; Providence, Feb. 21; and Brown, Feb. 26.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball standout Sarah Pearman handling the color commentary.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota fell one spot in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* poll to third and maintained its number four spot in *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* poll last week. Harvard remained in the top spot in both polls.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Jan. 25, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (9)	16-1-0	99	1
2. New Hampshire	14-1-4	86	3
3. Minnesota (1)	8-1-1	83	2
4. Brown	10-2-3	72	4
5. Princeton	10-5-1	57	5
6. Providence	10-4-2	51	6
7. Northeastern	12-4-2	36	8
8. Dartmouth	8-6-4	26	7

Others receiving votes: Cornell 10.

USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll (Jan. 26, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	16-1-0	25	1
2. New Hampshire	14-1-4	20	3
3. Brown	10-2-3	14	2
4. Minnesota	17-1-1	11	4
5. Princeton	11-5-1	5	NR

Others receiving votes: None.

UP NEXT—The Gophers are on the road for the final time next weekend when they play Augsburg and Minnesota State, Mankato.

The Auggies will host Minnesota Feb. 13, beginning at 7:05 p.m., a game which will be carried on KKMS-980 AM as a part of Augsburg's broadcast package.

Sunday, the Gophers head south to face the Mavericks for the fourth and final time this regular season. Game time at the Midwest Wireless Center is slated for 4:05 p.m.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 26-for-84 (31.0%) on the power play after going 0-for-13 in New Hampshire. The Gophers' 84 power plays have resulted in 124:16 of power-play time and they average a goal every 4:47 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	20	7	10	17	28	.250
Kris Scholz	22	3	10	13	10	.300
Nadine Muzerall	20	7	4	11	22	.318
Emily Buchholz	21	2	4	6	10	.200
Winnie Brodt	20	1	5	6	9	.111
Courtney Kennedy	20	3	2	5	17	.176
Brittany Ralph	21	1	3	4	15	.067
Shannon Kennedy	20	0	3	3	4	.000
Laura Slominski	21	1	1	2	4	.250
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Amber Hegland	22	1	0	1	2	.500
Tai Thorsheim	21	0	1	1	0	.000
Ambria Thomas	19	0	1	1	5	.000
Tracy Engstrom	22	0	0	0	9	.000
Angela Borek	21	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	17	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	12	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	22	26	46	72	141	.215
Opponents	22	7	12	19	81	.108

THE PENALTY KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 69-for-76 (90.8%) killing penalties, after going 11-for-11 at New Hampshire, with their opponents having spent 120:50 on the power play, averaging a goal every 17:16. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	20	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	20	1	0	1	4	.250
Brittany Ralph	21	1	0	1	2	.000
Courtney Kennedy	20	0	1	1	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	22	0	1	1	0	.000
Shannon Kennedy	20	0	0	0	3	.000
Laura Slominski	21	0	0	0	2	.000
Ambria Thomas	19	0	0	0	3	.000
Kris Scholz	22	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	21	0	0	0	1	.000
Tai Thorsheim	21	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	20	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	17	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	12	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	22	4	2	6	27	.148
Opponents	22	1	1	2	7	.143

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Feb 01, 1999)

All games

Overall: 18-2-2 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 5-1-1 Away: 5-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

Name	GP	SHOTS						PENALTIES				GOALS								
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct	+/-	No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO
Jenny Schmidgall	20	26	28	54	113	.230	+36	5-10	5	0	0	7	1	4	2	1	0	1	0	0
Nadine Muzerall	20	21	16	37	115	.183	+27	7-14	7	0	0	7	2	6	5	0	0	3	0	0
Kris Scholz	22	12	20	32	54	.222	+16	1-2	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Amber Hegland	22	13	11	24	52	.250	+29	3-6	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Laura Slominski	20	8	16	24	42	.190	+30	3-6	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Winnie Brodt	20	6	17	23	51	.118	+38	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	20	5	15	20	51	.098	+31	4-8	4	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	22	8	10	18	51	.157	+19	4-8	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ambria Thomas	19	7	9	16	43	.163	+17	6-12	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brittney Ralph	21	4	12	16	46	.087	+27	5-10	5	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	20	8	7	15	56	.143	+25	12-24	12	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	21	2	12	14	34	.059	+20	11-22	11	0	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	12	3	4	7	12	.250	+6	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	21	1	4	5	19	.053	+10	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	21	1	4	5	10	.100	+29	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	18	1	3	4	15	.067	+7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	20	1	2	3	16	.063	+4	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	12	1	1	2	11	.091	+1	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	17	0	2	2	19	.000	+28	4-8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	12	1	0	1	14	.071	+2	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crystal Nicholas	9	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	22	133	200	333	840	.158	+414	87-174	87	0	0	26	4	17	18	1	0	6	0	0
Opponents.....	22	30	35	65	421	.071	-	98-215	95	1	2	7	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0

Name	GP	---GOAL AVERAGE---		--SAVES--		---RECORD---				----GOALS-----					
		Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG
Crystal Nicholas	9	456:11	9	1.18	68	.883	7	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0
Erica Killewald	15	873:25	20	1.37	323	.942	11	2	2	4	6	1	0	0	0
TEAM	6	0:24	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total.....	22	1330:00	30	1.35	391	.929	18	2	2	8	7	1	1	0	0
Opponents.....	22	1330:00	133	6.00	707	.842	2	18	2	2	26	4	1	0	0

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY
Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Feb 01, 1999)
All games

Overall: 18-2-2 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 5-1-1 Away: 5-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	133-840	30-421
Shot pct.....	.158	.071
Goals/Game.....	6.0	1.4
Shots/Game.....	38.2	19.1
Assists.....	200	35
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	26-84	7-76
Conversion Percent.....	.310	.092
Shot Attempts.....	238	160
Shot Percent.....	.109	.044
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	4-48	1-13
Shot Percent.....	.083	.077
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	133	30
Power Play.....	26	7
Short-handed.....	4	1
Empty net.....	1	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	87	98
Minutes.....	174	215
Penalties/Game.....	4.0	4.5
Pen minutes/Game.....	7.9	9.8
Minor.....	87	95
Major.....	0	1
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	1
Game Misconduct.....	0	1
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	766-625	625-766
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	7561	2331
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	7/1080	6/389
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	9/117	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total

Minnesota.....	52	49	32	0	- 133
Opponents.....	7	8	15	0	- 30

1999 Minnesota Gymnastics

January

2	Intrasquad	
9	Best of Minnesota	
	Minnesota	192.400
	Winona State	178.750
	Hamline	138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus	137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W, 193.550-193.050
23	#2 Utah	L, 194.600-194.175
30	#1 Alabama	L, 196.025-194.650

February

6	Iowa State	7 p.m.
13	Iowa	7 p.m.
20	West Virginia	8 p.m.
27	Illinois	7 p.m.

March

5	Iowa	7 p.m.
7	Iowa State	4 p.m.
12	West Virginia	7 p.m.
21	Denver	2 p.m.
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)	

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)

All home meets in caps and bold are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics



#8 Minnesota hosts #14 Iowa State

Saturday, Feb. 6, 7 p.m.

Sports Pavilion

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GOPHERS RETURN HOME FOR TWO STRAIGHT — No. 8 Minnesota returns home for the first of two consecutive home matches when they host No. 14 Iowa State on Saturday, Feb. 6. Meet time is 7 p.m. at the Sports Pavilion.

GOPHERS RANKED NO. 8 — Minnesota was ranked eighth after the third week of the season with a total season average of 193.375. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten Conference schools in this week's rankings, with Michigan at No. 6, Penn State at No. 7, Minnesota at No. 8 and Ohio State at No. 11. The next rankings will be released Wednesday.

OTHER RANKINGS — Minnesota is ranked fifth nationally on the balance beam and sixth on the floor exercise. Junior **Judy Cavazos** is Minnesota's top-ranked individual, tied for ninth on the uneven bars and ranked 11th on the floor exercise. She is ranked 21st in the all around.

1999 GOLDEN GOPHER ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Hometown/H.S./Club
Megan Beuckens	Fr.	Brandon, S.D./Brandon Valley/All American
Judy Cavazos	Jr.	Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste/Elite Gym
Melissa Chang	Jr.	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs
Catie Christensen	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington/Buckeye
MaryAnne Kelley	Fr.	Barrington, Ill./Fremd/All American Academy
Cathy Keyser	Sr.	Plymouth, Minn./Australian Inst. of Sport Twisters
Shanyn Lancaster	So.	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser/Oakland Gymnastics
Jenny Mazzone	Sr.	Sparks, Nev./McQueen/Gymnastics Nevada
Courtney Norman	Fr.	Minneapolis, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall
Cami Phillippi	Jr.	Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area
Mariam Pourshoustari	Fr.	Rockville, Md./Walter Johnson/Hill's Gymnastics
Kristi Selinger	Jr.	Aurora, Colo./Gateway
Megan Skokut	So.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel/Indy School of Gymnastics
Megan Smith	Fr.	Fargo, N.D./Fargo/American Gold

ABOUT IOWA STATE — The Cyclones are ranked No. 14 in the latest ranking with a season average of 192.250. Iowa State has won both its dual meets in 1999, defeating Missouri (191.925-191.675) and Auburn (194.060-191.925).

Newcomer Shelly Kringen won the vault, balance beam and floor exercise against Auburn on Saturday. She is tied for 12th in the individual floor exercise rankings with a 9.825 season average. Senior Michelle Hladky is tied for 10th on the balance beam at 9.80.

The Golden Gophers and Cyclones will meet again on Sunday, March 7, in Ames, Iowa.

Head coach Amy Pyle is in her seventh season at Iowa State after serving as the team's assistant coach since 1984. Pyle is a two-time Big Eight Coach of the Year and has directed the team to four NCAA regional appearances and their highest regional finish of fourth in 1998.

LAST YEAR AGAINST IOWA STATE — Minnesota and Iowa State met twice during the season, with each team winning at home. The Cyclones defeated the

Golden Gophers on Jan. 23, 1998, 192.375-191.050, for Minnesota's first dual meet loss of the season.

Minnesota defeated Iowa State on March 13, 1998, 194.450-193.025, in the final dual meet of the season for the Golden Gophers. Minnesota outscored the Cyclones on every event except balance beam, including a sweep of the top three places on the floor exercise.

The two teams also met in the NCAA Central Regional Championships in Tuscaloosa, Ala., when the Cyclones placed fourth and the Golden Gophers finished fifth.

GOPHERS FALL TO TOP-RANKED ALABAMA —

Minnesota scored its highest team total of the season Saturday but it wasn't enough to upset top-ranked Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Ala. The Crimson Tide defeated the No. 8 Golden Gophers, 196.025-194.650.

Alabama newcomer Andree Pickens was the story of the night, recording a perfect 10.0 on the uneven bars. Pickens also won the vault (9.900), floor exercise (9.975) and all around (39.625).

The Golden Gophers recorded season highs in team total, team vault score (48.600) and team uneven bars score (48.825).

Senior **Cathy Keyser** and newcomer **Megan Beuckens** tied for third place on the balance beam at 9.775 for Minnesota's highest individual finish.

Junior **Judy Cavazos** recorded a 9.850 on both uneven bars and floor exercise. She placed second in the all around with a score of 38.875. Frosh **MaryAnne Kelley** placed third in the all around with a season-high 38.850.

CAVAZOS STRONG ON BARS — Junior **Judy Cavazos** has scored 9.80 or higher in all four meets this season, including a season-high 9.90 in the Best of Minnesota meet. She has a season average of 9.856 and a career best of 9.95, a Minnesota record.

GOPHERS RECORD SEASON-HIGHS ON VAULT AND BARS — At Alabama, the Golden Gophers set team season-bests on the vault and uneven bars.

On the vault, all six Minnesota athletes either set or tied season bests. **Judy Cavazos** and junior **Shanyn Lancaster** tied for the best Minnesota score at 9.750. Minnesota scored 48.600 on the vault.

Three Golden Gophers set season bests on the uneven bars, leading to a team season-high total of 48.825. Junior **Melissa Chang**, **MaryAnne Kelley** and newcomer **Catie Christensen** each recorded season bests.

TWO GOPHERS COMPETE IN ALL-AROUND — For the first time since the 1997 season, Minnesota has athletes competing in the all-around. **Judy Cavazos** recorded a season-high 39.000 against Utah, just .3 short of her school record of 39.300 set in 1997, her first season. **MaryAnne**

Kelley scored a career-best 38.850 Saturday against Alabama.

MAZZONE FINISHES CAREER — Senior **Jenny Mazzone** had knee surgery Dec. 14 and will not return to the Golden Gopher lineup.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson are in their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 22-9 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. Stephenson has a career record of 95-92, with a record of 73-83 in his first five years at Minnesota. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson is in her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Meg Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

THE MOST RECENT RANKING —

1. Alabama	195.867
2. Georgia	195.625
3. Utah	195.325
4. LSU	194.275
5. Arizona State	194.112
6. Michigan	193.675
7. Penn State	193.475
8. Minnesota	193.375
9. UCLA	193.187
10. Stanford	192.933
11. Ohio State	192.625
12. Illinois-Chicago	192.608
13. Oregon State	192.258
14. Iowa State	192.250
15. Washington	192.067
16. Denver	192.000
17. Nebraska	191.987
18. Florida	191.983
19. Oklahoma	191.558
20. Auburn	191.350
21. Arizona	191.312
22. Maryland	191.100
23. Utah	191.025
24. Ball State	190.875
25. Kentucky	190.825

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 4-2 Dual: 1-2 Home: 3-1 Away: 1-1 Big Ten: 1-0 Top 25: 1-2

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of MN	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #5 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 vs. #2 Utah	194.175	194.600	48.200	48.475	48.725	48.725	48.650	49.050	48.600	48.350
1/30 at #1 Alabama	194.650	196.025	48.600	48.750	48.825	49.550	48.350	48.375	48.875	49.350
2/6 vs. #14 Iowa State										
2/13 vs. Iowa										
2/20 at West Virginia										
2/27 at Illinois										
3/5 at Iowa										
3/7 at Iowa State										
3/12 vs. West Virginia										
3/21 vs. Denver										
3/27 Big Ten Championships										

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT

VAULT	9.750	Judy Cavazos	at #1 Alabama, 1/30
	9.750	Shayn Lancaster	at #1 Alabama, 1/30
UNEVEN BARS	9.900	Judy Cavazos	vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
BALANCE BEAM	9.850	Cathy Keyser	vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
FLOOR EXERCISE	9.875	Judy Cavazos	vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
ALL-AROUND	39.000	Judy Cavazos	at #5 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM VAULT	48.600		at #1 Alabama, 1/30
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	48.825		at #1 Alabama, 1/30
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	48.650		vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	48.950		vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	194.650		at #1 Alabama, 1/30



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule
30-1-1 overall
5-1 Big Ten

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
 (Chapel Hill, N.C.)
 def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
 def. S. Carolina 278-92
 tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
 (Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 **Minnesota Invitational**
 (1st/12 teams, 1,045.5 pts.)

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
 Swimmers – Maui, Hawaii
 Divers – Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
 (Austin, Texas)
- 9 **Gold Country Invitational**
 (1st/13 teams, 1,257 pts.)
- 16 **Nebraska** W, 170-130
- 22 at Northwestern L, 154-146
- 23 **Iowa** W, 169.5-130.5
- 29-30 Wisconsin W, 224-117
 Illinois W, 227-118
 Purdue W, 238-118

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 **Minnesota Challenge**
 Fri./Sat. 6 p.m./noon
- 18-20 **Big Ten Championship**
 Thur.-Sat. 11 a.m./7 p.m.
- 27 **Gopher Invitational** TBA

MARCH

- 12-13 Zone C Diving
 (Bloomington, Ind.)
- 18-20 NCAA Championships
 (Athens, Ga.)

Home meets at the University
 Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard
 Pool



1998-99 Minnesota
Swimming & Diving

Minnesota Challenge
Friday-Saturday, Feb. 5-6, 1999
 SID Contact: Becky Bohm (612) 624-1023

GOLDEN GOPHERS HOST MINNESOTA CLASSIC — The No. 14 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team hosts the Minnesota Challenge this weekend, Friday-Saturday, Feb. 5-6, at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool. The coed meet is split into three sessions, Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at noon and 6 p.m.

As many as 15 schools could compete in the Challenge, including Iowa and Iowa State and several local NCAA Division II and III schools.

The Gophers will use this meet as a final tune-up for the 1999 Big Ten Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, which Minnesota hosts on Feb. 18-20.

ADVANCE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR BIG TEN'S — All-session tickets for the 1999 Big Ten Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, Feb. 18-20, at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool are available by calling the Gopher Ticket Office at 612-624-8080 or 1-800-U-GOPHER. The price of an all-session ticket is \$30.

GOPHERS COLLECT THREE WINS AT TRIPLE DUALS — The No. 14 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team picked up three dual meet victories at the Big Ten triple dual meet in Indianapolis. The Golden Gophers defeated No. 16 Wisconsin, 224-117; Illinois, 227-118; and Purdue, 238-118. Minnesota completed its dual meet season with a record of 7-1-1 and owns a 5-1 mark against Big Ten opposition.

Minnesota won eight events against all three opponents with junior **Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** leading the way with three first-place finishes. **Hennen**, who won the 200-yard butterfly and was part of the winning 800-yard freestyle relay on Friday, added the victory in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 51.59 seconds on Saturday.

Gopher diver **T.D. Rowe (Issaquah, Wash./Liberty)** was also a double individual event winner for the Gophers. Rowe won both the 1-meter (491.80) springboard on Friday and the 3-meter board (418.30) on Saturday. The senior co-captain has captured the 1-meter and 3-meter diving titles in each of the Gophers' last six dual meets.

Other Gophers winning events against Wisconsin, Illinois and Purdue were **Ann Cahoy (Hudson, Wis./Hudson)** in the 200-yard backstroke (2:03.81) and **Kate McMillan (Palatine, Ill./Palatine)** in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:21.61).

Two Minnesota relays also claimed first-place finishes in the three dual meets. The 200 medley relay of **Beth Shimanski (Hutchinson, Minn./Hutchinson)**, **McMillan**, **Terri Jashinsky (Menomonee Falls, Wis./Menomonee Falls)** and **Amy Cottrill (Fairport, N.Y./Fairport)** won the event with a time of 1:45.01. **Jinny Smedstad (Cedar Rapids, Iowa/John F. Kennedy)**, **Katy Christoferson (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville)**, **Cottrill** and **Hennen** teamed to win the 800 freestyle relay in a time of 7:28.17.

MINNESOTA RANKED 14TH — Minnesota is ranked No. 14 in the Speedo American College Swimming Coaches Association Top 25, dated Jan. 21. Georgia is No. 1, while Michigan (No. 9), Northwestern (No. 12) and Wisconsin (No. 16) are other Big Ten teams included in the national poll. Illinois and Indiana received votes. The next release date for the national poll is Feb. 18.

University of Minnesota
1998-99 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 30-1-1 Dual Record: 7-1-1 Big Ten: 5-1 Invitationals: 23-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/6-7/98	vs. #7 Michigan	W	12th	230.5-139.5	1/23/99	Iowa	W	14th	169.5-130.5
11/6-7/98	at #16 North Carolina	T	12th	185-185	1/29-30/99	vs. #16 Wisconsin	W	14th	224-117
11/6-7/98	vs. South Carolina	W	12th	278-92	1/29-30/99	vs. Purdue	W	14th	238-118
11/13-14/98	at Meet of Champions	Exb.	12th	n/a	1/29-30/99	vs. Illinois	W	14th	227-118
11/20-22/98	Minnesota Invite	1st/12	13th	1045.5	2/5-6/99	Minnesota Challenge			
12/13-24/98	Training Trip (Hawaii/Florida)		13th	n/a	2/18-20/99	Big Ten Championships			
1/6-10/99	at All-American Inv. (Divers)		13th	n/a	2/27/99	Gopher Invitational			
1/9/99	Gold Country Invite	1st/13	13th	1257	3/12-13/99	at NCAA Zone C Diving (Bloomington, Ind.)			
1/16/99	#8 Nebraska	W	13th	170-130	3/18-20/99	at NCAA Championships (Athens, Ga.)			
1/22/99	at #12 Northwestern	L	14th	154-146					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool
 Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)
 Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (22.78, 23.46, 22.97)

Amy Cottrill	11/20/98	23.68
Terri Jashinsky	1/9/99	23.96
Katy Christoferson	11/20/98	24.08
Meghan Sonstegard	11/6/98	24.15
Jenny Hennen	1/9/99	24.31

100y Free (49.39, 50.87, 50.28)

Amy Cottrill	11/20/98	51.45
Jenny Hennen	1/16/99	51.49
Terri Jashinsky	11/20/98	51.79
Katy Christoferson	1/9/99	51.93
Meghan Sonstegard	11/20/98	52.39

200y Free (1:47.58, 1:50.80, 1:48.52)

Amy Cottrill	11/20/98	1:50.27 ⁶
Jinny Smedstad	1/23/99	1:51.21
Jenny Hennen	1/22/99	1:51.63
Katy Christoferson	11/6/98	1:52.63
Amy Mickschl	1/22/99	1:53.51

500y Free (4:46.31, 4:54.89, 4:46.95⁹)

Jinny Smedstad	11/20/98	4:54.44 ⁶
Terri Jashinsky	11/20/98	5:01.52
Amy Mickschl	1/30/99	5:03.88
Jenny Hennen	11/20/98	5:05.80
Marta Knowles	11/20/98	5:06.58

1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68)

Jinny Smedstad	1/29/99	10:07.45
Marta Knowles	1/22/99	10:22.04
Terri Jashinsky	1/23/99	10:27.88
Amy Mickschl	1/23/99	10:30.74
Briana Rygg	1/16/99	10:53.54

1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)

Jinny Smedstad	1/9/99	17:18.40
Marta Knowles	11/20/98	17:30.11
Shelley Miller	1/9/99	18:02.22
Briana Rygg	1/9/99	18:04.88
Kim Hamren	1/9/99	18:44.29

100y Backstroke (54.87, 56.51, 54.21)

Beth Shimanski	1/23/99	57.33
Ann Cahoy	11/6/98	57.85
Emily Deppe	11/20/98	58.12
Lital Kashriel	11/20/98	58.33
Sara Rutkowski	1/16/99	58.60

200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.70, 1:59.60)

Ann Cahoy	1/22/99	2:02.16
Emily Deppe	11/6/98	2:02.92
Jinny Smedstad	1/23/99	2:03.67
Amy Mickschl	1/16/99	2:04.68
Beth Shimanski	1/29/98	2:06.04

100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32^{4,5,9})

Kate McMillan	1/22/99	1:04.43
Katy Christoferson	11/20/98	1:05.41
Elizabeth Pierce	1/22/99	1:05.75
Kelsey Hegener	1/29/99	1:06.02
Kim Harrod	11/20/98	1:06.70

200y Breaststroke (2:14.16, 2:18.18, 2:11.60)

Elizabeth Pierce	1/23/99	2:19.54
Kate McMillan	1/22/99	2:19.71
Katy Christoferson	1/23/99	2:21.81
Kelsey Hegener	1/30/99	2:24.80
Emily Deppe	11/6/98	2:25.46

100y Butterfly (54.58, 56.21, 54.24)

Terri Jashinsky	11/20/98	54.71 ⁶
Andrea Simakova	1/23/99	56.22
Jenny Hennen	1/22/99	56.29
Anne Koller	1/22/99	59.30
Kim Hamren	1/23/99	59.34

200y Butterfly (2:00.09, 2:03.69, 2:00.09)

Jenny Hennen	1/29/99	2:01.05 ⁶
Terri Jashinsky	1/22/99	2:02.48 ⁶
Andrea Simakova	1/22/99	2:03.09 ⁶
Jinny Smedstad	1/9/99	2:08.57
Kim Hamren	1/23/99	2:09.20

200y IM (2:00.94, 2:04.56, 2:02.29)

Katy Christoferson	11/6/98	2:04.54 ⁶
Ann Cahoy	11/6/98	2:06.66
Emily Deppe	11/6/98	2:06.88
Jenny Hennen	1/9/99	2:08.04
Kate McMillan	11/20/98	2:09.81

400y IM (4:17.34, 4:25.06, 4:16.25)

Katy Christoferson	11/20/98	4:22.95 ⁶
Jinny Smedstad	1/23/99	4:23.72 ⁶
Emily Deppe	11/20/98	4:28.43
Marta Knowles	11/20/98	4:29.25
Andrea Simakova	1/9/99	4:35.68

200y Free Relay (1:30.76, 1:33.48, 1:32.77)

1:35.09 Amy Cottrill, Katy Christoferson,
 11/20/98 Meghan Sonstegard, Beth Shimanski

400y Free Relay (3:19.16, 3:25.13, 3:22.78)

3:24.89 Andrea Simakova, Jinny Smedstad
 1/22/99 Lital Kashnel, Amy Mickschl

800y Free Relay (7:14.15, 7:27.17, 7:21.43)

7:27.76 Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen,
 11/20/98 Terri Jashinsky, Katy Christoferson

200y Medley Relay (1:41.48, 1:44.52, 1:41.58)

1:44.78 Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan
 1/22/99 Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill

400y Medley Relay (3:39.58, 3:46.16, 3:41.27)

3:47.69 Meghan Sonstegard,
 11/20/98 Andrea Simakova, Emily Deppe,
 Katy Christoferson

1 M Diving (6) (255, 295.12)

T.D. Rowe	1/22/99	289.20
Christina Rinkus	1/16/99	252.45
Tracy LaVoi	1/16/99	248.93
Rachel Degener	1/16/99	233.70
Alison Schiefelbein	1/16/99	186.15

1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)

T.D. Rowe	1/29/99	491.80
Rachel Degener	1/29/99	431.15
Christina Rinkus	1/29/99	391.70
Tracy LaVoi	1/29/99	389.70
Alison Schiefelbein	1/9/99	322.90

3 M Diving (6) (270, 332.90)

T.D. Rowe	1/16/99	310.73
Christina Rinkus	1/16/99	250.13
Tracy LaVoi	1/16/99	230.33
Rachel Degener	1/16/99	224.03
Rachelle Giese	12/18/98	202.05

3 M Diving (11) (425, 572.75)

T.D. Rowe	11/20/98	484.30
Christina Rinkus	1/9/99	454.05
Tracy LaVoi	11/20/98	392.25
Alison Schiefelbein	1/9/99	384.35
Rachel Degener	1/30/99	344.85

Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)

T.D. Rowe	11/20/98	295.40
Christina Rinkus	11/20/98	267.80
Rachelle Giese	11/20/98	203.05

Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

¹Lead-off split time ²Varsity record ³NCAA automatic qualifying time ⁴Former American Record ⁵All-time Big Ten Record
⁶NCAA Consideration time ⁷NCAA Zone diving qualifying ⁸at NCAA Zone C meet ⁹at NCAA Championship ¹⁰Big Ten Championship Record



University of Minnesota
Women's Athletics

1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 2-2 Big Ten: 0-0

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan W, 5-2
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 at #35 Marquette L, 5-4

FEBRUARY

7 Illinois-Chicago 8 a.m.
12 at Syracuse 3 p.m.
13 vs. Maryland (at Syracuse) 2 p.m.
20 Illinois 5 p.m.
27 Indiana 5 p.m.
28 Purdue 10 a.m.

MARCH

5 at Iowa State 3 p.m.
6 at Drake 10 a.m.
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home games in caps and bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

Minnesota vs. Illinois-Chicago
Sunday, Feb. 7, 8 a.m.
Northwest Athletic Club at 98th Street
Bloomington, Minn.

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GOPHERS RETURN HOME FOR ONE MATCH — Minnesota returns from a two-match weekend in Milwaukee to host Illinois-Chicago on Sunday, Feb. 7, at 8 a.m. at the Northwest Athletic Club at 98th Street. The Golden Gophers are 2-2 on the season, while Illinois-Chicago is 0-3.

ABOUT ILLINOIS-CHICAGO — The Flames have lost three matches to start the spring season. Like Minnesota, Illinois-Chicago played Marquette in Milwaukee. Marquette defeated the Flames, 7-2. Senior Serena Xie has the best record for Illinois-Chicago, at 12-6, but she has lost all three spring matches. Only two players have won a singles match in the spring season, with sophomore Jacki Farr at the No. 2 position and senior Sara Jackson at the No. 1 position each recording one victory. Each of the Flames' doubles teams has a 2-1 record. This is the first meeting between the two schools.

MINNESOTA DEFEATS WESTERN MICHIGAN — Minnesota won five of six singles matches and two of three doubles matches to defeat Western Michigan, 7-2, in Milwaukee, Wis.

At No. 1 singles, junior **Kim Simonsen (Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West)** defeated Larissa Chinwah, 6-3, 6-1. Junior **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** defeated Cyra Malik at the No. 2 position, 6-4, 6-4. Senior **Sitinee Rangsitienchai (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor)** won her match at No. 3 singles, 6-2, 6-4. Newcomer **Jen Howard (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea)** defeated Kendra Becker at No. 5 singles, 6-0, 6-3. Senior **Tarah Elkins (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm)** defeated Mindy Champion, 6-3, 6-4, at No. 6.

In doubles, the team of **Simonsen** and senior **Jana Hrdinova (Prague, Czech Republic/Stoughton, Wis.)** defeated Chinwah and Dimitrescu, 8-4, at the No. 1 position. At No. 3, **Sauska** and **Howard** teamed to defeat Nikki Thompson and Hillary Schaffer, 8-6.

GOPHERS FALL TO #35 MARQUETTE — Minnesota fell to Marquette on Sunday, 5-4, in Milwaukee. The Golden Gophers and Marquette split in singles action, with each team winning three, but Marquette won two of three doubles matches.

Sitinee Rangsitienchai won her second straight match at No. 3 singles, defeating Laura Garcia, 6-4, 6-4. **Jen Howard** won at the No. 5 position, defeating Sara Fernandez, 6-2, 6-4. **Tarah Elkins** defeated Megan Berman at No. 6 singles, 6-2, 6-2.

At No. 3 doubles, **Elkins** and **Rangsitienchai** defeated Julia Sapozhnikova and DiMasi, 8-2.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — **Martin Novak** is in his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gopher women's tennis team. **Novak** has compiled a record of 84-97. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten.

1998-99 University of Minnesota Women's Tennis

Overall: 2-2 Big Ten: 0-0 Home: 1-1 Away: 0-1 Neutral: 1-0

Date	Opponent	Location	W/L	Score	Record
1/22	#15 Pepperdine	Home	L	5-2	0-1
1/23	DePaul	Home	W	6-1	1-1
1/30	Western Michigan	Milwaukee	W	7-2	2-1
1/31	#35 Marquette	Away	L	5-4	2-2
2/7	Illinois-Chicago	Home			
2/12	Syracuse	Away			
2/13	Maryland	Syracuse			
2/20	Illinois*	Home			
2/27	Indiana*	Home			
2/28	Purdue*	Home			
3/5	Iowa State	Away			
3/6	Drake	Away			
3/25	Texas Christian	Away			
4/4	Northwestern*	Home			
4/10	Iowa*	Away			
4/11	Wisconsin*	Away			
4/16	Michigan*	Home			
4/18	Michigan State*	Home			
4/23	Ohio State*	Away			
4/25	Penn State*	Away			
4/29-30	Big Ten Championship	Michigan State			

*Big Ten Conference

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Spring	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang							4-0		4-0	1.000
Tarah Elkins						3-1	3-2	3-1	6-3	.667
Nora Sauska		1-1	2-0				8-5	3-1	11-6	.647
S. Rangsitienchai	1-1		2-0				11-7	3-1	14-8	.636
Kim Simonsen	1-1	1-1					6-3	2-2	8-5	.615
Jen Howard					3-1		3-3	3-1	6-4	.600
Jana Hrdinova				1-3			3-3	1-3	4-6	.400
Andrea Rose							2-3		2-3	.400
Totals	2-2	2-2	4-0	1-3	3-1	3-1	40-26	15-9	55-35	.611

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Spring	Total	Pct.
Sauska/Howard		0-1	3-0	7-1	3-1	10-2	.875
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1		2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1		1-1	.500
Elkins/Rangsitienchai		1-2	1-0	1-2	2-2	3-4	.429
Hrdinova/Simonsen	1-3			3-3	1-3	4-6	.400
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2		1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsitienchai				0-1		0-1	.000
Totals	1-3	1-3	4-0	15-11	6-6	21-17	.553

1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

- 9 Northwest Open unscored
 16 at Badger Classic unscored
 (Madison, Wis.)
 23 at Wis.-Stout 5th (48 points)
 30 Minnesota Classic 1st (89 points)

February

- 5-6 at Iowa State Invitational 4 p.m.
 (Ames, Iowa)
 13 Minnesota Open 11 a.m.
 20-21 at Big Ten Championships
 (Ohio State)

March

- 5-6 at NCAA Championships
 (Indianapolis)
 21-28 Spring Trip
 (Rice University)

Home meets in **bold** at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

- 2-3 at Texas Relays
 (Austin, Texas)
 9-10 at SEA Ray Relays
 (Tennessee)
 17 at UNI Invitational
 at St. Olaf Invitational
 23-24 at Penn Relays
 (Philadelphia, Pa.)
 24-25 at Drake Relays
 (Des Moines, Iowa)
 25 at Macalaster Invitational
 (St. Paul, Minn.)

May

- 1 **Heartland Classic** 10 a.m.
 8 **Minnesota Open** 10 a.m.
 8 at North Carolina Invitational
 15 **Minnesota Qualifier** 10 a.m.
 21-23 at Big Ten Championships
 (Purdue)

June

- 2-5 at NCAA Championships
 (Boise State)

Home meets in **bold** at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

at the Iowa State Invitational
 Friday-Saturday, Feb. 5-6
 Ames, Iowa

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THIS WEEK — The Golden Gophers travel to Ames, Iowa, for the Iowa State Invitational on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5-6.

GULBRANDSEN, SCHMITT SET SCHOOL RECORDS AT MINNESOTA CLASSIC — Junior Christine Gulbrandsen (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole) and sophomore Aubrey Schmitt (Hastings, Minn./Hastings) broke Minnesota records Saturday to lead the Golden Gophers over Marquette, 89-59, at the Minnesota Fieldhouse.

Gulbrandsen broke her own school record in the triple jump by seven inches, improving to 41-10 3/4. That mark also provisionally qualified her for the NCAA Championships and tied the Minnesota Fieldhouse record and the Minnesota Classic meet record. She also won the pole vault with a mark of 9-10.

Schmitt surpassed her previous school record in the weight throw with a toss of 58-8 1/2, improving the record by more than three inches. The mark also provisionally qualified her for the NCAA Championships and is a Minnesota Fieldhouse and Minnesota Classic record. **Schmitt** also placed second in the shot put with a mark of 48-6 1/4.

OTHER RESULTS FROM THE MINNESOTA CLASSIC — Junior **Neketa Sears** (Nassau, Bahamas/C.J. Gibson Secondary School) won the 400-meter dash in 56.98 seconds, the third-fastest time in Minnesota history. Senior **Yvette White** (Washington, D.C./Woodrow Wilson) placed second in 57.53.

Sophomore **Angie Hill** (Poplar Bluff, Mo./Poplar Bluff) set a personal best in the weight throw by over a foot. She placed fifth with a mark of 52-4, improving from her previous best of 51-2 1/4.

Other winners for the Golden Gophers were sophomore **Pattie Galle** (Colgate, Wis./Germantown) in the 200 meters (26.0 seconds) and junior **Alissa Bruss** (Wells, Minn./United South Central) in the high jump (5-2 1/2).

PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS —

- Triple Jump 41-10 3/4 Christine Gulbrandsen Minnesota Classic, 1/30
- Shot Put 49-10 Aubrey Schmitt Badger Track Classic, 1/16
- Weight Throw 58-8 1/2 Aubrey Schmitt Minnesota Classic, 1/30

NEW SCHOOL RECORDS IN 1999 —

- 60 meters 7.74 Kim Heath Northwest Open, 1/9
- 60 hurdles 8.72 Yvette White Badger Track Classic, 1/16
- Triple Jump 41-10 3/4 Christine Gulbrandsen Minnesota Classic, 1/30
- Pole Vault 11-1 3/4 Christine Gulbrandsen Badger Track Classic, 1/16
- Weight Throw 58-8 1/2 Aubrey Schmitt Minnesota Classic, 1/30

UP NEXT — Minnesota returns home to host the Minnesota Open on Saturday, February 13.

1999 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

60 Meters

1. Kim Heath (a)	7.74*
2. Pattie Galle (a)	8.21
3. Stacie Blaskowski (b)	8.24

200 meters

1. Pattie Galle (d)	26.0
2. Anna Chalin (c)	28.66
3. Jaime Hamilton (c)	29.10

400 meters

1. Neketa Sears (d)	56.98
2. Yvette White (d)	57.53
3. Pattie Galle (a)	60.99

600 meters

1. Yvette White (b)	1:34.47
2. Neketa Sears (b)	1:38.93
3. Gretchen Wittly (c)	1:50.60

800 meters

1. Gena Johnson (c)	2:17.77
2. Jenny Moylan (d)	2:19.01
3. Neketa Sears (a)	2:28.45

Mile

1. Corinne Nimtz (d)	5:06.89
2. Aimee Dausg (d)	5:10.76
3. Gena Johnson (d)	5:11.77

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (b)	10:00.18
2. Corinne Nimtz (b)	10:04.69
3. Elaine Eggleston (d)	10:08.40

5000 meters

1. Victoria Moses (d)	17:34.39
2. Nikki Rassbach (c)	19:31.94

60 meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	8.72*
2. Neketa Sears (a)	8.79
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	9.48

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Smith, Sears (b)	3:52.58
2. Johnson, Bruss, Chalin, Moylan (d)	4:02.92
3. Minnesota B (b)	4:08.43

High Jump

1. Alissa Bruss (d)	5-2 1/2 (1.59)
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Long Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	18-10 3/4 (5.76)
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Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	41-10 3/4 (12.77)*#
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Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (b)	49-10 (15.19)#
2. Nicole Chimko (d)	45-10 3/4 (13.99)
3. Jenney Luer (b)	41-1 3/4 (12.54)

Weight Throw

1. Aubrey Schmitt (d)	58-8 1/2 (17.89)*#
2. Angie Hill (d)	52-4 (15.95)
3. Brenda Meyer (b)	51-8 1/2 (15.76)

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	11-1 3/4 (3.40)*
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	10-2 (3.10)

* School Record

NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, Wis.)

(c) Wisconsin-Stout Invitational (Menomonie, Wis.)

(d) Minnesota Classic (Minneapolis)

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Friday, Feb. 12

SB hosts Metrodome Classic 11 a.m.
BB at Iowa 7 p.m.
TN at Syracuse 4 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 13

SB hosts Metrodome Classic 9 a.m.
T/F hosts Minnesota Open 11 a.m.
GY hosts Iowa 7 p.m.
TN vs. Maryland (at Syracuse) 1 p.m.
HC at Augsburg 7:05 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 14

SB hosts Metrodome Classic 10 a.m.
BB at Penn State 1 p.m.
HC at MSU, Mankato 4:05 p.m.

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What's Coming Up

Basketball

- Golden Gophers travel to Iowa and Penn State

Gymnastics

- No. 7 Minnesota hosts Iowa

Hockey

- No. 4 Minnesota plays at Augsburg and Minnesota State, Mankato

Swimming & Diving

- No. 14 Gophers are off this week to prepare for the Big Ten Championships

Softball

- Minnesota hosts the Metrodome Softball Classic

Track & Field

- Golden Gophers host the Minnesota Open

Tennis

- Minnesota plays Syracuse and Maryland in Syracuse, N.Y.

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- Gophers sweep series with Cornell before defeating Minnesota State, Mankato

Basketball

- Antoinetta Blevins sets career-high marks with 18 points and eight rebounds against Michigan

Gymnastics

- #7 Gophers come from behind to beat #14 Iowa State

Swimming & Diving

- Gophers win 12 events at the Minnesota Classic

Track & Field

- Yvette White sets a school record in the 400-meters

Tennis

- Minnesota defeats Illinois-Chicago, sweeping the doubles matches

1999 Minnesota Gymnastics

January

2	Intrasquad	
9	Best of Minnesota	
	Minnesota	192.400
	Winona State	178.750
	Hamline	138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus	137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W, 193.550-193.050
23	#2 Utah	L, 194.600-194.175
30	#1 Alabama	L, 196.025-194.650

February

6	#12 Iowa State	W, 193.375-191.075
13	Iowa	7 p.m.
20	West Virginia	8 p.m.
27	Illinois	7 p.m.

March

5	Iowa	7 p.m.
7	Iowa State	4 p.m.
12	West Virginia	7 p.m.
21	Denver	2 p.m.
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)	

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)

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1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics



#7 Minnesota hosts Iowa
Saturday, Feb. 13, 7 p.m.

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No. 7 Minnesota hosts Big Ten Conference rival Iowa on Saturday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion.

MINNESOTA RANKED NO. 7 — The Golden Gophers were ranked No. 7 after the fourth week of competition with a season average of 193.694. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten Conference schools ranked this week. The others are Penn State (No. 5), Michigan (No. 6) and Ohio State (No. 15). The next ranking will be released Wednesday.

1999 GOLDEN GOPHER ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Hometown/H.S./Club
Megan Beuckens	Fr.	Brandon, S.D./Brandon Valley/All American
Judy Cavazos	Jr.	Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste/Elite Gym
Melissa Chang	Jr.	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs
Catie Christensen	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington/Buckeye
MaryAnne Kelley	Fr.	Barrington, Ill./Fremd/All American Academy
Cathy Keyser	Sr.	Plymouth, Minn./Australian Inst. of Sport Twisters
Shayn Lancaster	So.	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser/Oakland Gymnastics
Jenny Mazzone	Sr.	Sparks, Nev./McQueen/Gymnastics Nevada
Courtney Norman	Fr.	Minneapolis, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall
Cami Phillippi	Jr.	Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area
Mariam Pourshoushtari	Fr.	Rockville, Md./Walter Johnson/Hill's Gymnastics
Kristi Selinger	Jr.	Aurora, Colo./Gateway
Megan Skokut	So.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel/Indy School of Gymnastics
Megan Smith	Fr.	Fargo, N.D./Fargo/American Gold

ABOUT IOWA — The Hawkeyes are coming off a first-place finish at Sunday's home triangular against Northern Illinois and Wisconsin-Oshkosh. Iowa has averaged a team score of 188.187 this season, with a season-high 190.275 set at home against Western Michigan a week ago.

Sophomore Giselle Boniforti, the 1998 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year, has been out of action since a knee injury Jan. 17 at UC-Santa Barbara. Junior Courtney Burke placed first in the all around on Sunday with a 38.600, including a first-place finish on the floor at 9.825. Newcomer Corynne Cooper won the vault at 9.80.

Head coach Diane DeMarco is in her 19th season at Iowa and sports a career record of 178-195. She led the Hawkeyes to four school records a year ago, including a team score of 195.425 set against Iowa State. The Hawkeyes also finished fifth at the Big Ten Championships for the school's best conference finish since 1991.

LAST YEAR AGAINST IOWA — No. 11 Minnesota defeated Iowa, 194.125-191.175, on Feb. 28, 1998, in the Sports Pavilion. The Golden Gophers jumped out to an early lead after recording a season-high team vault score of 48.450, sweeping the top three places. Minnesota also recorded a season-high floor exercise score of 49.125 and swept the three individual places. **Judy Cavazos** won the uneven bars with a score of 9.85 and tied for first on the floor at 9.875.

GOLDEN GOPHERS COME FROM BEHIND TO DEFEAT IOWA STATE — Minnesota came from behind to defeat No. 12 Iowa State, 193.375-191.075, at the Sports Pavilion. Leading the comeback were junior **Judy Cavazos** and newcomer

MaryAnne Kelley, who tied for first place on the floor exercise with a 9.85.

The Cyclones led 144.875-144.775 after third rotations, but the first five Iowa State athletes fell from the balance beam in the last rotation, leading to a meet-low team event score of 46.250. The Golden Gophers responded with a score of 48.650 on the floor exercise, including a sweep of the top three places. Newcomer **Megan Beuckens** placed third with a personal-best 9.75.

Minnesota athletes won or tied for the lead in all four individual events. **Cavazos** led the way by tying for first on the uneven bars (9.8) and floor exercise. She also won the all around competition with a score of 38.325.

Sophomore **Shanyn Lancaster** tied for first on the vault with a score of 9.75. Junior **Melissa Chang** tied **Cavazos** for first on the uneven bars at 9.8. Senior **Cathy Keyser** set a season-high in winning the balance beam at 9.875.

CAVAZOS STRONG ON BARS — Junior **Judy Cavazos** has scored 9.80 or higher in all five meets this season, including a season-high 9.90 in the Best of Minnesota meet. **Cavazos** tied for first on the bars against Iowa State Saturday for her third win or tie this season. She has a season average of 9.845 and a career best of 9.95, a Minnesota record.

NEW TO THE TOP TEN LISTS — Newcomer **MaryAnne Kelley** has entered the top 10 performers list for the all around, ranked fourth at 38.850. Frosh **Catie Christensen** is tied for sixth on the floor exercise at 9.85.

Minnesota has also entered four of the five top 10 team scores lists. The Golden Gophers scored the eighth-highest team total of 194.650 at Alabama a week ago. Also at that meet, Minnesota posted a 48.600 on the vault (tied for ninth) and a 48.825 on uneven bars (eighth). Against Utah, the Golden Gophers scored 48.650 on the balance beam, good for a tie for 10th place.

MAZZONE FINISHES CAREER — Senior **Jenny Mazzone** had knee surgery Dec. 14, 1998, and will not return to the Golden Gopher lineup.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson are in their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 23-9 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. Stephenson has a career record of 96-92, with a record of 73-83 in his first five years at Minnesota. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson is in her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Meg Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

THE MOST RECENT RANKING —

1. Alabama	195.906
2. Georgia	195.720
3. Utah	195.267
4. LSU	194.792
5. Penn State	194.294
6. Michigan	194.087
7. Minnesota	193.694
8. Stanford	193.537
9. Arizona State	193.367
10. UCLA	193.020
11. Oklahoma	192.890
12. Iowa State	192.850
13. Nebraska	192.850
14. Oregon State	192.537
15. Ohio State	192.394
16. Florida	192.362
17. Denver	192.337
18. Utah State	191.987
19. Washington	191.919
20. West Virginia	191.912
21. Kentucky	191.817
22. Illinois-Chicago	191.675
23. Central Michigan	191.567
24. Auburn	191.542
25. New Hampshire	191.175

OTHER TEAM RANKINGS —

Event	Rank	Average Score
Vault	24	48.131
Uneven bars	8	48.406
Balance beam	6	48.375
Floor exercise	6	48.781

INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS —

Vault	NA		
Uneven bars	T7	Judy Cavazos	9.856
Balance beam	NA		
Floor exercise	14	Judy Cavazos	9.837
	T19	Catie Christensen	9.825
All Around	18	Judy Cavazos	38.794

UP NEXT — The Golden Gophers hit the road for two consecutive matches, Feb. 20 at West Virginia and Feb. 27 at Illinois.

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 5-2 Dual: 2-2 Home: 4-1 Away: 1-1 Big Ten: 1-0 Top 25: 2-2

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of MN	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #5 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 vs. #2 Utah	194.175	194.600	48.200	48.475	48.725	48.725	48.650	49.050	48.600	48.350
1/30 at #1 Alabama	194.650	196.025	48.600	48.750	48.825	49.550	48.350	48.375	48.875	49.350
2/6 vs. #12 Iowa State	193.375	191.075	48.275	48.300	48.275	48.450	48.175	46.250	48.650	48.075
2/13 vs. Iowa										
2/20 at West Virginia										
2/27 at Illinois										
3/5 at Iowa										
3/7 at Iowa State										
3/12 vs. West Virginia										
3/21 vs. Denver										
3/27 Big Ten Championships										

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT

VAULT	9.750	Shanyn Lancaster	vs. #12 Iowa State, 2/6
		Judy Cavazos	at #1 Alabama, 1/30
		Shanyn Lancaster	at #1 Alabama, 1/30
UNEVEN BARS	9.900	Judy Cavazos	vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
BALANCE BEAM	9.875	Cathy Keyser	vs. #12 Iowa State, 2/6
FLOOR EXERCISE	9.875	Judy Cavazos	vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
ALL-AROUND	39.000	Judy Cavazos	at #5 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM VAULT	48.600	at #1 Alabama, 1/30	
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	48.825	at #1 Alabama, 1/30	
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	48.650	vs. #2 Utah, 1/23	
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	48.950	vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9	
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	194.650	at #1 Alabama, 1/30	



1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule

Overall: 0-0 Big Ten: 0-0

FEBRUARY

12-14	Metrodome Softball Classic	
12	Western Illinois	5 p.m.
12	Kansas	7 p.m.
13	Northern Illinois	1 p.m.
13	Missouri	3 p.m.
18	North Carolina (2)	2 p.m.
19-21	Triangle Classic (Raleigh, N.C.)	
26-28	Troy Cox Invitational (Las Cruces, N.M.)	

MARCH

5-7	Aggie II Invitational (College Station, Tex.)	
22	at Florida State (2)	5:30 p.m.
24	at Bethune-Cook. (2)	3 p.m.
26	at South Florida (2)	5 p.m.
31	MSU, Mankato (2) (Rice Street Dome)	2 p.m.

APRIL

3	at Purdue (2)	1 p.m.
4	at Purdue	1 p.m.
7	Drake (2)	3 p.m.
10	at Michigan (2)	1 p.m.
11	at Michigan	1 p.m.
13	at Iowa State (2)	3 p.m.
15	Northern Iowa (2)	3 p.m.
17	Penn State (2)	1 p.m.
18	Penn State	Noon
21	at Wisconsin (2)	1 p.m.
24	Indiana (2)	1 p.m.
25	Indiana	Noon
28	at Northwestern (2)	2 p.m.

MAY

1	at Michigan State (2)	1 p.m.
2	at Michigan State	Noon
5	Iowa (2)	2 p.m.
8	Ohio State (2)	1 p.m.
9	Ohio State	Noon
14-15	Big Ten Tournament	TBA
20-23	NCAA Regionals	TBA
27-31	NCAA Women's College World Series (Oklahoma City)	

* Big Ten games

Home games in **bold** at Bierman Softball Stadium, unless otherwise indicated.

Game times local to site.

Minnesota Softball 1999



Metrodome Softball Classic
February 12-14
HHH Metrodome, Minneapolis

Current National Ranking: No. 22

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The University of Minnesota softball team opens its 26th season of intercollegiate play by hosting the Metrodome Softball Classic. The Gophers will attempt to improve upon a 3-3 record in last year's Classic, won by Missouri. Minnesota is coming off one of the most successful seasons in school history. The 1998 team tied a school record with 48 victories and won two games in the NCAA Softball Tournament, a first for any Gopher softball team. This is Minnesota's only appearance in the state of Minnesota until March 31.

METRODOME SOFTBALL CLASSIC FORMAT — The five teams will engage in round-robin competition to determine seeding in a single-elimination tournament bracket. The championship game is slated for Sunday at 2 p.m.

METRODOME CLASSIC SCHEDULE

Feb. 12	Western Illinois vs. Missouri	11 a.m.
	Northern Illinois vs. Missouri	1 p.m.
	Northern Illinois vs. Kansas	3 p.m.
	Minnesota vs. Western Illinois	5 p.m.
	Minnesota vs. Kansas	7 p.m.
Feb. 13	Northern Illinois vs. Western Illinois	9 a.m.
	Kansas vs. Missouri	11 a.m.
	Northern Illinois vs. Minnesota	1 p.m.
	Missouri vs. Minnesota	3 p.m.
	Kansas vs. Western Illinois	5 p.m.
	Single Elimination - #4 vs. #5	7 p.m.
Feb. 14	Semifinal - #2 vs. #3	10 a.m.
	Semifinal - #1 vs. Winner of #4 / #5	noon
	Championship Game	2 p.m.

LAST YEAR'S CLASSIC — Missouri defeated Kansas, 5-0, in the championship game of last year's tournament. Tiger pitcher Stephanie Falk, the tournament's MVP, fired a one-hit shutout in the championship game. Kansas was the pool play champion with a 4-0 record. Minnesota finished 3-3 in the tournament, falling in the semifinals to Kansas.

THE CO-HEAD COACHES — Minnesota co-head coach **Lisa Bernstein** enters her eighth season at the school. Her seven-year overall record is 240-182-1 (.569). In the last three seasons, Minnesota has won 69 percent of its games and qualified for two NCAA tournaments.

Minnesota co-head coach **Julie Standerling** was elevated to her current position Jan. 22. Standerling was an assistant coach at Minnesota from 1992-96 and has been the associate head coach of the Gophers for the past two seasons.

1999 GOPHER OUTLOOK

The 1999 Minnesota softball team has a chance to accomplish goals that very few, if any, Gopher softball teams in the past have achieved. The Gophers have a chance to win a Big Ten championship, last accomplished in 1991. Minnesota has a chance to return to the NCAA tournament for the second consecutive year and the third time in four years. Minnesota has never qualified for consecutive NCAA tournaments or for three tournaments in any four-year period. The Gophers believe after reaching the final in last year's regional at Fresno that the next step can be made: Minnesota's first trip to the Women's College World Series.

"We believe that this team can accomplish some very special things," said Minnesota co-head coach Lisa Bernstein. "We have a good mixture of senior leadership and first-year players that will help us win games. We are not going to be dominant in any one area of the game, but we are going to be very good in all phases of the game."

The confidence that Minnesota takes into the 1999 season is well-founded. The Gophers tied their school record with 48 wins in 1998. Minnesota finished third in the Big Ten and the Big Ten tournament, and qualified for the 1998 NCAA Softball Tournament. After losing to Fresno State in the opening game, Minnesota defeated Cal State Northridge and California to reach the regional final before falling to Fresno State, the 1998 NCAA champion. The two wins achieved by the Gophers in Fresno was the most successful experience by a Minnesota team in the NCAA Softball Tournament. That is the backdrop for the 1999 Minnesota softball season.

Pitching

It is arguable that Minnesota has never had the dominant pitcher in the Big Ten Conference. A Gopher has never won the Big Ten Pitcher of the Year award since it was established in 1992. Barb Drake was a Gopher pitcher that won the Big Ten Player of the Year award in 1986, but her .408 Big Ten batting average was the major reason. Minnesota may have its best chance to win the Big Ten Pitcher of the Year since its inception with senior pitcher **Steph Klaviter (New Ulm, Minn./Cathedral)**.

Klaviter has led the Gophers in victories for the last three seasons. She has won 74 percent of her decisions as a collegian and is six wins shy of the school record for victories. **Klaviter** can also be found on the Gopher career lists in games pitched (4th-115), innings pitched (4th-538) and strikeouts (3rd-289). "It is nice to have have **Klaviter** back for her senior season," said Bernstein. "But we have some other pitchers that can do the job, too."

The Gophers will rely on two newcomers and one returnee to carry the rest of the pitching load. Junior transfer **Michelle Harrison (Anaheim, Calif./Orange Lutheran)** from Fullerton College is a crafty left-hander, while first-year performer **Heather Brown (Farmington,**

N.M./Farmington) is a hard-throwing right-hander. Sophomore **Rayny Camacho (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)** will also be counted on for her experience after compiling an 8-1 record in her first season. The Minnesota coaching staff is confident in the ability of these pitchers to get the outs in the critical situations.

Outfield

Speed, speed and more speed. The Minnesota outfield is a very quick one that can cover plenty of ground on defense and cause problems on the bases for the opposition on offense. As it is with most of the team, a mixture of experience and youth will roam the Gopher outfield in 1999.

The outfield is anchored by center fielder **Steph Midthun (Rio Rancho, N.M./Cibola)**, a third team All-American in 1998. **Midthun** and teammate **Laura Peters** set the school record with 31 stolen bases each in 1998, and **Midthun** returns to be Minnesota's chief rabbit on offense and the captain of the outfield defense.

Midthun will be flanked by sophomore **Morgan Holden (Los Lunas, N.M./La Cueva)** and first-year player **Tammi Hays (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)**. **Holden** began to blossom during the 1998 Big Ten season, hitting .278 with two home runs, 13 runs scored and 13 runs batted in. The other player that will see some time in the outfield and the designated player position is sophomore **Erin Mooney (Vancouver, Wash./Jesuit)**. **Mooney** hit .300 in 80 at bats in her first season, but the biggest impact she made was during the 1998 NCAA Regional in Fresno, where she was named all-tournament for her performance.

Infield

The infield starts with one of the premier power hitters in America and perhaps the best shortstop in collegiate softball. Shortstop **Shannon Beeler (Shelton, Wash./Shelton)** has produced awesome numbers during her first three years at Minnesota. She is the Minnesota single-season and career record holder in home runs and runs batted in. **Beeler** hit .401 with 14 home runs and 74 runs batted in en route to her first team All-America honors in 1998. She is the active leader in Division I softball with 181 runs batted in. If **Beeler** drives in the number of runs that she has averaged in her first three years, she will end her career as one of the top five run producers in NCAA history.

The key to **Beeler's** success might be her new double-play partner. The new Gopher at second base is **Jordanne Nygren (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)**, a slick fielding first-year player that will begin the year batting behind **Beeler**. If teams choose to pitch around **Beeler**, it will be up to players like **Nygren** to pick up the slack.

The two corners on the Gopher infield may also hold the key to the Gophers' success offensively. Sophomore **Angel Braden (Chino, Calif./St. Lucy's)** put together a

outstanding first season (.289 BA, 15 runs, 16 RBI in 31 games played) before suffering a season-ending knee injury at Ohio State. **Braden** will be back at full strength for the Gophers in 1999. Junior **Dana Ballard (Oak Park, Ill./Fenwick)** played most of the 1998 season at first base and will be given the opportunity to contribute both at first base and as the designated player. Junior **Michelle Bennett (Hermantown, Minn./Hermantown)** has played great defense at first base and has improved as a hitter to give Minnesota another potent stick in the lineup.

Minnesota's catchers have the experience to run the Gopher pitching staff and contribute offensively. Senior **Erin Brophy (Crystal, Minn./Robbinsdale)** played in all but one game of her junior season, and should see the majority of the time behind the plate this season. **Brophy** made the all-tournament team at the Triangle Classic in 1998, a tournament the Gophers won. Senior **Lara Severson (LeSueur, Minn./LeSueur)** and first-year player **Meghan Smith (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie)** could also see time at catcher for Minnesota.

Schedule

The 1999 Gopher schedule has some definite similarities to the 1998 season. Three of Minnesota's four non-conference tournaments are return visits for the Gopher squad.

Minnesota will begin its season with the Metrodome Softball Classic from Feb. 12-14 in Minneapolis. Defending champion Missouri, Kansas and Western Illinois return to join the Gophers and newcomer Northern Illinois to complete the five-team field. Minnesota returns to North Carolina to play the University of North Carolina in a non-conference doubleheader and compete in the Triangle Classic in Raleigh, N.C. from Feb. 18-21. The Gophers were 9-0 on their trip to Tobacco Road in 1998, including a championship performance in the Triangle Classic. Minnesota will travel to Las Cruces, N.M. and the Troy Cox Invitational from Feb. 26-28. The Gophers will conclude their non-conference tournament season by defending their title in the Aggie II Invitational from March 5-7. Minnesota went 6-0 in last year's tournament in College Station, Tex.

The Gophers will spend spring break in Florida, playing doubleheaders at Florida State, Bethune-Cookman and South Florida. Florida State and South Florida are perennially ranked among the nation's best. After a quick stop at home to play Minnesota State, Mankato at the Rice Street Dome, the Gophers open Big Ten play against Purdue on April 3 and 4 in West Lafayette, Ind. Minnesota will open its home season with a non-conference double-dip against Drake April 7 and then travel to Michigan to face the defending conference champion Wolverines on April 10 and 11 in Ann Arbor, Mich. Minnesota concludes its stretch on the road with a non-conference doubleheader at Iowa State on April 13, and returns home for a twinbill

against Northern Iowa on April 15.

After the six Big Ten road games at Purdue and Michigan, Minnesota will play 11 of its final 18 Big Ten games at the Bierman Softball Stadium, a place where Minnesota has won 25 of its last 31 games. Those games will start with a three-game series with Penn State on April 17 and 18. After two games in Wisconsin on April 21, Minnesota returns to host Indiana in a three-game series April 24 and 25. The Gopher regular season ends with a week of games on the road (at Northwestern and Michigan State) and a week of games at home (vs. Iowa and Ohio State).

The Big Ten Tournament has been expanded to five teams this season. The tournament will be held at the field of the conference champion May 14-15. The NCAA tournament has also been expanded, from 32 to 48 teams. This means that six-team regionals will be conducted over four days, from May 20-23. The eight teams that survive will advance to the 1999 NCAA Women's College World Series, to be held at Don E. Porter Stadium in Oklahoma City from May 27-31.

THE RECORD BOOK -- Minnesota shortstop **Shannon Beeler** has shattered many of the records in the Gopher record book, both single season and career. No Gopher has hit more home runs than **Beeler**, and no Gopher has driven in more runs than **Beeler**, either in a single season or a career. Since that measure of comparison is gone, **Beeler** must now be compared to the greatest players in Big Ten and NCAA history. Entering the 1999 season, **Beeler** is the active leader among Division I players in runs batted in. She begins the season tied for 18th in NCAA Division I history with 181 runs batted in. She also is within two home runs of 20th place on the NCAA Division I home run list. The data:

NCAA DIVISION I CAREER LEADERS

HOME RUNS

1. Leah Braatz, Arizona	85
20. Sara Frestrom, Colorado State	32
Shannon Beeler, Minnesota	30

RUNS BATTED IN

1. Jenny Dalton, Arizona	328
12. Leah O'Brien, Arizona	194
13. Sherry Johnson, Coastal Carolina	194
14. Stephanie DeFeo, USL	187
15. Sara Graziano, Miami (Ohio)/C. Carolina	186
16. Alison McCutcheon, Arizona	184
17. Sara Fredstrom, Colorado State	183
18. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota	181
Kim Maher, Fresno State	181

Minnesota pitcher **Steph Klaviter** is within striking distance of some history of her own. The right-hander is six victories away from becoming the winningest pitcher in Gopher history. Her winning percentage of .746 is one of the best in Big Ten history. Only 17 players in the history of NCAA Division I softball have finished their careers with at least 60 wins and an .800 winning percentage. The Minnesota victory list:

1. Brenda Bixby 1988-92 67
2. **Steph Klaviter** 1996-C 61

KLAVITER TO PARTICIPATE IN USA SOFTBALL NATIONAL TEAM FESTIVAL — **Steph Klaviter** has been chosen to participate in the 1999 Coca-Cola USA Softball Women's National Team Festival from June 8-14 in Fresno, Calif. **Klaviter** will be one of 60 players in the Festival. Ten players in the group have been chosen to participate as a member of the United States team at the 1999 Pan American Games. **Klaviter** will compete for one of the five remaining positions.

1998 BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conference			Overall			
	W	L	Pct	W	L	T	Pct
Michigan	22	1	.957	56	7	0	.889
Northwestern	15	9	.625	34	19	0	.642
MINNESOTA	14	9	.609	48	21	0	.696
Iowa	14	9	.609	38	20	0	.655
Michigan State	11	13	.458	34	20	0	.630
Ohio State	10	14	.417	33	23	0	.589
Penn State	8	14	.364	21	28	1	.430
Purdue	8	16	.333	29	30	0	.492
Wisconsin	8	16	.333	19	31	1	.382
Indiana	7	16	.304	13	31	1	.300

THE METRODOME OPPONENTS

KANSAS — The Jayhawks won their first five games of the season last year, including two over Minnesota, before falling to Missouri in the Metrodome final. Kansas finished with a 28-34 overall record in 1998, including a 7-11 record in the Big 12 Conference, good for sixth place. Sophomore Jessi Kowal (14-19, 1.77 ERA) and junior Christy McPhail (14-15, 2.81 ERA) both return to the

Jayhawk pitching staff. The top three hitters from last year's squad do not return.

THE SERIES — Kansas leads the series, 8-3. The Jayhawks won both meetings last season at the Metrodome by scores of 6-5 and 5-1.

MISSOURI — The defending Metrodome champions won 24 of their first 29 games last season before dropping 15 of their final 27 games to finish at 36-20. The Tigers were 5-13 in Big 12 play and finished in ninth place. Sophomore pitcher Stephanie Falk was Missouri's top pitcher last season with a 19-13 record and a 0.96 ERA. The Tigers return their three top hitters in junior outfielder Wendy Harrison (.374 BA, 37 runs), junior outfielder Stacy Gemeinhardt (.349 BA, 27 runs), and junior Christy Skouby (.346 BA).

THE SERIES — Missouri leads the series, 8-3. The Tigers defeated the Gophers, 2-0, in the Metrodome tournament next season.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS — The Huskies are making their first appearance in the Metrodome Softball Classic. Northern Illinois had a 33-16-1 overall record in 1998 and a 21-6-1 record in the West Division of the Mid-American Conference. The Huskies finished one game behind Central Michigan for first place in that division of the MAC. Northern Illinois returns its top two pitchers in junior Christy Dalton (16-5, 0.80 ERA) and sophomore Courtney Witvliet (8-5, 0.88 ERA). The top returning hitter is junior shortstop Jill Carpenter (.275 BA, 31 runs).

THE SERIES — Northern Illinois leads the series, 2-1. The teams did not play in 1998.

WESTERN ILLINOIS — The Westerwinds were 1-4 in last year's Metrodome tournament, defeating Northern Iowa for their lone victory. Western Illinois was 23-24 in 1998 and 9-2 (1st place) in the West Division of the Mid-Continent Conference. The Westerwinds return their second-best pitcher from 1998 in senior Vonya Olachnovitch (10-11, 2.11 ERA). They also return senior outfielder Wendi Krejca (.307 BA, 23 runs) and sophomore shortstop Chrissie Beebe (.294 BA, 16 RBI).

THE SERIES — The series is tied, 1-1. Minnesota defeated Western Illinois, 5-0, in the Gophers' opening game of the 1998 season.

PRESEASON POLL — The Gophers are ranked 22nd in the USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association preseason poll. Minnesota finished 16th in the final poll of last season.

USA TODAY/NFCA TOP 25 POLL
Preseason — January 27, 1999

	1998 Record	Poll Points
1. Fresno State (20)	52-11	617
2. Arizona (1)	67-4	588
3. UCLA (4)	18-27	546
4. Washington	52-15	529
5. Michigan	56-7	498
6. South Florida	57-14	464
7. Texas	49-16	440
8. Nebraska	48-12	428
9. Louisiana State	58-14	370
10. Massachusetts	45-14	362
11. Oklahoma	49-15	332
(tie) DePaul	47-8	332
13. Long Beach State	39-20	318
14. Stanford	41-18	305
15. Oklahoma State	42-19	265
16. Iowa	38-19	236

17. Hawaii	46-15	200
18. Arizona State	38-27	180
19. Alabama	49-18	163
20. Florida	47-22	143
21. Florida State	50-20	137
22. MINNESOTA	48-21	107
23. Hofstra	39-17	78
24. Illinois-Chicago	56-21	67
25. Oregon	40-31	60

Others Receiving Votes: California 43, South Carolina 38, Pacific 32, Missouri 31, Utah 29, Boston College 27, Southwest Missouri State 21, CS-Northridge 20, Central Michigan 19, Southern Illinois 18, Northwestern 16, USL 14, Texas Tech 12, Colorado State 9, Michigan State 8, Northern Illinois 8, Oregon State 7, Kansas 4, NE Louisiana 2, Mississippi State 1, Harvard 1.

WHAT'S NEXT — The Gophers will travel to North Carolina for a doubleheader against the Tar Heels on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m. (EST). Minnesota will participate in the Triangle Classic from Feb. 19-21 in Raleigh, N.C. The Gophers are the defending champions of the Triangle Classic.

1999 Minnesota Softball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Yr.	Hometown/High School
1	Morgan Holden *	OF/IF	R/R	So.	Los Lunas, N.M. (La Cueva)
2	Steph Midthun ***	OF	L/R	Sr.	Rio Rancho, N.M. (Cibola)
3	Dana Ballard **	1B	R/R	Jr.	Oak Park, Ill. (Fenwick)
4	Tammi Hays	OF	S/R	Fr.	Hastings, Minn. (Hastings)
5	Shannon Beeler ***	SS	R/R	Sr.	Shelton, Wash. (Shelton)
6	Amy Hafemeyer *	OF	L/R	So.	Kenyon, Minn. (Faribault)
7	Steph Klaviter ***	P	R/R	Sr.	New Ulm, Minn. (Cathedral)
8	Rayny Camacho *	P	R/R	So.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
9	Christine Lindberg	IF	R/R	Fr.	Barrington, Ill. (Barrington)
10	Katie Orth	IF/OF	R/R	Fr.	Rochester, Minn. (Mayo)
12	Heather Brown	P	R/R	Fr.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
14	Jordanne Nygren	IF	R/R	Fr.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
15	Angel Braden *	IF	R/R	So.	Chino, Calif. (St. Lucy's)
16	Lara Severson **	C	R/R	Sr.	LeSueur, Minn. (LeSueur)
17	Michelle Harrison	P	L/L	Jr.	Anaheim, Calif. (Orange Luth./Southwest Texas)
19	Erin Brophy *	C	R/R	Sr.	Crystal, Minn. (Robbinsdale)
21	Erin Mooney *	UT	R/R	So.	Vancouver, Wash. (Jesuit)
22	Ninette Mohns	UT	R/R	Fr.	Oconomowoc, Wis. (Oconomowoc)
23	Meghan Smith	C	R/R	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn. (Eden Prairie)
24	Michelle Bennett **	IF/OF	R/R	Jr.	Hermantown, Minn. (Hermantown)
30	Abby Stehula	UT	R/R	Fr.	Appleton, Wis. (Appleton East)

Co-Head Coaches: Lisa Bernstein, Julie Standering
Assistant Coach: Jen Bauer



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 7-15 Big Ten: 2-10

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at S. Florida	W, 68-64 (OT)
19	at Stetson	W, 62-57
28	at Wisconsin*	L, 59-70
30	at Purdue*	L, 52-73

January

3	Penn State*	L, 43-72
5	Iowa*	L, 58-66
10	at Michigan*	W, 54-47
15	at Northwestern*	W, 70-68
17	Indiana*	L, 66-80
22	at Michigan State*	L, 58-73
24	at Ohio State*	L, 42-68
29	Illinois*	L, 69-88
31	Northwestern*	L, 53-66

February

5	Michigan*	L, 65-88
12	at Iowa*	7 p.m.
14	at Penn State*	2 p.m.
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament
12-15	at NCAA 1st, 2nd Round
20-22	at NCAA Regionals
26-28	at NCAA Final Four

Home games in **bold** are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



Minnesota at Iowa
Friday, Feb. 12, 7 p.m.

Minnesota at Penn State
Sunday, Feb. 14, 2 p.m. (EST)
(Radio: AM 980 KKMS)

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The University of Minnesota women's basketball team will try to improve its Big Ten standing with road games at Iowa and Penn State. Both of Minnesota's conference wins this season came on the road, at Michigan and Northwestern. The Gophers need one more victory to double their victory total from each of the past three seasons. Minnesota needs one more Big Ten victory to surpass its conference victory total for the last three years combined. Minnesota had a .500 non-conference record this season for the first time since 1994-95, finishing its 10 non-league games at 5-5.

BROADCAST INFORMATION — Both games will be broadcast live on KKMS Radio (980 AM) in the Twin Cities by Paul Barnes and Sarah Pearman. The remainder of Minnesota's games will be broadcast live by AM 980 KKMS. The Gophers' next telecast in the Twin Cities will be Sunday, Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. against Wisconsin on Midwest Sports Channel.

STARTING LINEUP — Minnesota made a lineup change for the first time in eight games last Friday against Michigan. **Antoinetta "Tweet" Blevins (Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC)** made her first start since the game at Wisconsin on Dec. 28, 1998. Blevins replaced **Swantreca Taylor (Donaldsville, La./Como Park HS)**, who had started the previous 10 games. **Kim Bell (Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn)** has been the starting center for the past eight games. **Brandi Harris (Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC)** has started the last 11 games at forward. The other two Minnesota starters are **Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparral)**, who has started all 22 games for Minnesota, and **Erin Olson (Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell)**, who has started the last 20 games.

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach **Cheryl Littlejohn** is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 11-38 (.224) record in her two-year collegiate career. Littlejohn served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. Littlejohn played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT IOWA — The Hawkeyes broke a seven-game losing streak with a 73-69 win at Indiana on Sunday. Iowa is currently 8-13 and 4-8 in the Big Ten. The Hawkeyes are in an eighth-place tie with Northwestern and would play the Wildcats in the first round of the Big Ten tournament. Iowa will play at home against Northwestern on Sunday, followed by road games at Michigan and Illinois next week.

Senior center Amy Herrig is the Hawkeyes' leader with 18.0 points per game and 11.2 rebounds per game. Herrig had 26 points and 14 rebounds in Iowa's win at Indiana, her 13th double-double of the season.

Head coach Angie Lee is in her fourth season as the Hawkeye leader and has a career record of 72-40 (.643).

THE SERIES — Iowa leads 30-13. The Hawkeyes defeated the Gophers, 66-58, on Jan. 5 at the Sports Pavilion. **Brandi Harris** led the Gophers with 12 points. Iowa has won the last 14 meetings in Iowa City, dating back to 1982-83. Overall, the Hawkeyes have won the last six meetings.

ABOUT PENN STATE — The Lady Lions have opened up a 1 1/2-game lead over Illinois and Ohio State for second place in the Big Ten Conference. Penn State has won its last six games and nine of its last 10 contests. The Lady Lions will host conference leader Purdue on Friday before meeting the Gophers on Sunday.

Andrea Garner continues to lead the Lady Lions in scoring (14.4 points per game) and rebounding (8.7 rebounds per game). Lisa Shepard is Penn State's second leading scorer at 14.3 points per game, including 27 points in the Lady Lions' 92-63 rout of Northwestern last Sunday. Helen Darling leads the Big Ten in assists (7.9 assists per game).

Head coach Rene Portland is in her 19th season as the Penn State mentor and has a record of 432-147 (.746). Her 23-year career record is 519-177 (.746).

THE SERIES — Penn State leads 12-1. The Lady Lions defeated the Gophers, 72-43, at the Sports Pavilion on Jan. 3. Brandi Harris led Minnesota with 16 points. The Lady Lions have won the last six meetings against the Gophers and are 6-0 lifetime at home against Minnesota.

GOPHER REWIND: MICHIGAN — Minnesota lost its sixth consecutive game last Friday, dropping a 88-65 decision to Michigan at the Sports Pavilion. "Tweet" **Blevins** scored a career-high 18 points on 6-for-9 shooting. **Blevins** also set career highs with three three-pointers and eight assists. **Moneeke Bowden (Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC)** and **Jackie Tate (Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula)** each added 12 points off the bench.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Home	Road	Overall
Purdue	12-0	7-0	5-0	21-1
Penn State	10-3	5-1	5-2	18-5
Ohio State	8-4	5-1	3-3	15-7
Illinois	8-4	5-2	3-2	14-8
Michigan	6-6	2-3	4-3	14-8
Wisconsin	6-7	5-1	1-6	11-12
Michigan State	6-7	3-3	3-4	12-11
Northwestern	4-8	1-5	3-3	10-12
Iowa	4-8	2-4	2-4	9-13
MINNESOTA	2-10	0-6	2-4	7-15
Indiana	2-11	1-6	1-5	13-14

BIG TEN UPDATE — Purdue can clinch the Big Ten championship and the No. 1 seed in the Big Ten Tournament with a win at Penn State on Friday. The Lady Lions are the other team assured of a first-round bye in the Big Ten Tournament. Minnesota's scenario is a simple one: the Gophers need at least one win to avoid being the #11 seed in the Big Ten Tournament. The No. 11 seed plays the No. 6 seed Friday, Feb. 26 at 8 p.m. (EST) in the first round of the conference tourney. The No. 10 seed plays the No. 7 seed at 6 p.m. (EST) the same day.

ROBINSON CONTINUES TO LEAD — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continues to lead Minnesota in both scoring and rebounding. **Sonja Robinson** is 5-11 and normally starts against players that are considerably taller than she is. That has not stopped her from compiling some impressive numbers for the Gophers. **Robinson** leads Minnesota in scoring at 11.0 points per game and rebounding at 7.7 rebounds per game. She established a career high with 20 points at Michigan State on Jan. 22 and led the Gophers with eight rebounds. Already this season, she has established career highs in a season with 242 points and 165 rebounds, and has played more minutes (34.7 per game) than any other Gopher. **Robinson** has scored 10 or more points in 13 games and has led or shared the lead in Gopher scoring nine times. She has four of Minnesota's six double-figure rebounding efforts this season.

OLSON CONTINUES SOLID PLAY — **Erin Olson** continues to be a steady influence at the point guard position for the Gophers. **Olson** is leading the Gophers in several categories, including three-point percentage (.419), assists (86) and steals (28). Her eight assists against Indiana on Jan. 17 matched her career high and is one of Minnesota's top two assist performances of the season. Minnesota's fifth-leading scorer (6.5 points per game) is second on the team with 77 defensive rebounds and 10 blocked shots.

BIG WEEKEND FOR BLEVINS — "Tweet" **Blevins** has had her two best games as a Gopher in the last two games. Against Northwestern on Jan. 31, **Blevins** came off the bench to score 13 points and dish out five assists. Last Friday against Michigan, she set career highs with 18 points and eight assists, and led the team with five rebounds. **Blevins** was in the starting lineup against Michigan for the first time since the conference opener against Wisconsin, and will likely stay there for this weekend's games.

HARRIS MAKING A DIFFERENCE — During the non-conference season, **Brandi Harris** played in each of the 10 games, but with limited success. She scored in only three games, including two points in an eight-game span.

The conference season has been a completely different story. **Harris** is Minnesota's third-leading scorer in Big Ten games, averaging 7.9 points per conference game. She is the Gophers' top shooter from beyond the arc (40.4 percent), which ranks among the Big Ten leaders. A look at the numbers:

	Min.	Pts.	Reb.	Stl.
Non-Conf.	8.2	1.6	1.4	0.3
Big Ten	17.8	7.9	3.0	1.0

VANDERHEYDEN MOVES INTO THIRD-PLACE TIE — Minnesota first-year player **Cassie VanderHeyden** (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis) is in some select company when it comes to three-point shooting at Minnesota. **VanderHeyden**, who has already made more triples than any first-year player in the history of the program, moved into a tie for third on Minnesota's all-time single season list with two three-pointers against Michigan. The list:

1.	Shannon Loeblein	63	1994-95
2.	Jodi Olson	48	1989-90
3.	Lea Blackwell	45	1988-89
	Cassie VanderHeyden	45	1998-99
5.	Stacy Carver	43	1992-93
	Sarah Schieber	43	1997-98

TRIPLE THREAT — Minnesota has shot the ball very

well from three-point territory in conference play. The Gophers are third in the league in three-pointers made (5.2 per game) and are third in percentage (.354). Minnesota needs one three-pointer to match the school record for most three-pointers in a season (102, 1994-95).

RING THE BELL — Minnesota first-year player **Kim Bell** continues to make an impact for the Gophers on the defensive end of the floor. Bell blocked four shots against Michigan on Friday to increase her season total to 35. She has blocked more shots than the entire Gopher team did in 1997-98. **Bell** has now blocked 35 shots in 197 minutes this season, which averages to a block every 5.6 minutes of playing time.

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench has been a source of strength this season, outscoring its opponents in 18 of 22 games. Last Friday, the Gopher subs outscored the Michigan subs 35-26, with **Moneeke Bowden** and **Jackie Tate** each scoring 12 points. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 578-366, an 9.6 points-per-game surplus from the bench.

WHAT'S NEXT — Minnesota plays its final home games of the season, hosting No. 2 Purdue on Friday, Feb. 19, at 7 p.m. and Penn State on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 2 p.m. (EST). Both games will be broadcast on AM 980 KKMS in the Twin Cities. The Sunday game will be broadcast by Midwest Sports Channel.

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park (Minn.)
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-11	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
45	Ngozi Okechukwa	C	Fr.	6-3	Anambra, Nigeria/De La Salle (Minn.)
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach:

Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)

Assistant Coaches:

Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson

Coordinator of Basketball Operations:

Robin Hester

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 02/05/99
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(7-15)	(2-7)	(4-7)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(2-10)	(0-6)	(2-4)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-5)	(2-1)	(2-3)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10)Tate, Jackie (10)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15)Bowden, Moneeke	(7)Tate, Jackie (7)LeCuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11)Olson, Erin (11)Taylor, Swantreca	(13)Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16)Robinson, Sonja (16)LeCuyer, Theresa	(8)Olson, Erin (8)Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja (9)LeCuyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16)Olson, Erin	(10)Robinson, Sonja
12/16/98	7 p.m.	at South Florida	68-64	W OT	110	(13)Olson, Erin (13)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Bowden, Moneeke
12/19/98	7 p.m.	at Stetson	62-57	W	242	(16)Tate, Jackie	(9)Tate, Jackie
12/28/98	7 p.m.	* at Wisconsin	59-70	L	8760	(21)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(11)Robinson, Sonja
12/30/98	7:30 p.m.	* at Purdue	52-73	L	9330	(13)Olson, Erin	(7)Tate, Jackie
1/3/99	2 p.m.	* PENN STATE	43-72	L	2081	(16)Harris, Brandi	(7)VanderHeyden, Cassie (7)Robinson, Sonja
1/5/99	7 p.m.	* IOWA	58-66	L	1446	(12)Harris, Brandi	(5)Robinson, Sonja (5)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/10/99	7 p.m.	* at Michigan	54-47	W	796	(17)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(12)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/15/99	7 p.m.	* at Northwestern	70-68	W	770	(15)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Olson, Erin (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/17/99	2 p.m.	* INDIANA	66-80	L	1937	(20)Harris, Brandi	(9)Harris, Brandi (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/22/99	7:30 p.m.	* at Michigan State	58-73	L	1213	(20)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
1/24/99	2 p.m.	* at Ohio State	42-68	L	9117	(10)Robinson, Sonja	(10)Bell, Kim
1/29/99	7 p.m.	* ILLINOIS	69-88	L	1228	(12)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
1/31/99	2 p.m.	* NORTHWESTERN	53-66	L	1372	(16)Bowden, Moneeke	(10)Robinson, Sonja
2/5/99	7 p.m.	* MICHIGAN	65-88	L	1410	(18)Blevins, Antoinetta	(5)Blevins, Antoinetta

* Big Ten ! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic @ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	11,958	1,329
AWAY.....	32,926	2,993
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	48,432	2,201

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 02/05/99
ALL GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L			3-POINTERS			R E B O U N D S											PTS - AVG						
			FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG	PF-FO	A	TO	BLK	ST													
21 Robinson, Sonja	22	22	763	34.7	104	246	.423	0	1	.000	34	48	.708	77	88	165	7.5	57	1	26	45	8	23	242	11.0	
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	22	2	416	18.9	63	190	.332	45	143	.315	20	25	.800	13	33	46	2.1	42	1	39	55	0	27	191	8.7	
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	22	12	428	19.5	57	139	.410	4	10	.400	49	81	.605	40	51	91	4.1	39	1	31	39	1	18	167	7.6	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	21	5	356	17.0	50	143	.350	10	29	.345	28	59	.475	28	53	81	3.9	60	2	12	35	5	19	138	6.6	
04 Olson, Erin	22	20	737	33.5	49	147	.333	13	31	.419	33	44	.750	12	77	89	4.0	39	1	86	71	10	28	144	6.5	
15 Tate, Jackie	22	6	543	24.7	50	113	.442	0	1	.000	36	43	.837	45	62	107	4.9	53	2	22	48	8	21	136	6.2	
05 Harris, Brandi	22	11	295	13.4	38	115	.330	22	55	.400	13	26	.500	23	27	50	2.3	45	2	14	47	0	15	111	5.0	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	17	5	216	12.7	25	79	.316	6	21	.286	15	27	.556	10	22	32	1.9	31	1	27	25	0	6	71	4.2	
54 Bell, Kim	19	8	197	10.4	18	52	.346	0	0	.000	6	11	.545	14	34	48	2.5	44	3	3	26	35	2	42	2.2	
12 Hansen, Mindy	22	2	205	9.3	17	47	.362	0	4	.000	5	10	.500	21	19	40	1.8	25	0	21	27	1	6	39	1.8	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	21	17	257	12.2	10	41	.244	1	5	.200	10	15	.667	18	14	32	1.5	26	0	24	23	0	16	31	1.5	
35 Schaffer, Erin	2	0	6	3.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	3	1	4	2.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.5	
30 Pickens, Brandy	9	0	31	3.4	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	3	6	.500	1	7	8	0.9	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.3	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....																46	50								96	11
Minnesota	22		4450		481	1314	.366	101	300	.337	253	397	.637	351	538	889	40.4	463	14	305	452	68	181	1316	59.8	
Opponents	22		4450		525	1273	.412	92	271	.339	341	507	.673	295	558	853	38.8	384		340	390	91	199	1483	67.4	

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	710	755	18	0	0	0	1483
Minnesota	588	715	13	0	0	0	1316

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 02/05/99
CONFERENCE GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L			3-POINTERS			R E B O U N D S											PTS - AVG						
			FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG	PF-FO	A	TO	BLK	ST													
21 Robinson, Sonja	12	12	429	35.8	53	138	.384	0	1	.000	14	18	.778	38	49	87	7.3	30	0	19	28	2	11	120	10.0	
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	12	0	243	20.3	36	110	.327	27	84	.321	13	16	.813	10	19	29	2.4	25	0	24	36	0	14	112	9.3	
05 Harris, Brandi	12	11	213	17.8	32	85	.376	19	47	.404	12	23	.522	17	19	36	3.0	31	2	11	35	0	12	95	7.9	
15 Tate, Jackie	12	0	284	23.7	27	67	.403	0	1	.000	22	24	.917	22	26	48	4.0	29	2	10	25	4	13	76	6.3	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	11	1	158	14.4	27	66	.409	5	14	.357	10	24	.417	14	20	34	3.1	33	2	2	16	1	8	69	6.3	
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	12	4	186	15.5	20	56	.357	2	4	.500	19	32	.594	16	22	38	3.2	18	0	19	18	0	8	61	5.1	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	8	2	97	12.1	13	31	.419	5	7	.714	6	9	.667	4	10	14	1.8	10	0	19	10	0	2	37	4.6	
04 Olson, Erin	12	12	385	32.1	19	74	.257	4	15	.267	9	13	.692	4	31	35	2.9	20	0	52	39	5	13	51	4.3	
54 Bell, Kim	12	8	158	13.2	17	42	.405	0	0	.000	6	9	.667	11	25	36	3.0	39	3	3	17	25	2	40	3.3	
12 Hansen, Mindy	12	0	107	8.9	8	23	.348	0	2	.000	2	2	1.00	8	8	16	1.3	12	0	13	17	0	5	18	1.5	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	12	10	122	10.2	5	17	.294	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	9	7	16	1.3	12	0	6	8	0	8	10	0.8	
30 Pickens, Brandy	3	0	17	5.7	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	2	2	0.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
35 Schaffer, Erin	1	0	1	1.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....																33	29								62	5
Minnesota	12		2400		257	709	.362	62	175	.354	113	172	.657	186	267	453	37.8	259	9	178	254	37	96	689	57.4	
Opponents	12		2400		300	681	.441	59	163	.362	200	301	.664	163	295	458	38.2	195		203	203	48	122	859	71.6	

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	422	437	0	0	0	0	859
Minnesota	326	363	0	0	0	0	689

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 21-2-2

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1
7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1
27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2
28 Princeton@ W, 3-1
29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1
18 Manitoba# W, 3-1
19 Alberta# W, 9-2
20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 St. Cloud State W, 10-0
15 St. Lawrence\$ W, 5-0
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ W, 6-4
17 Toronto\$ W, 5-1
22 Wilfrid Laurier W, 10-0
23 Wilfrid Laurier W, 7-1
29 Concordia (Montreal)% W, 3-0
30 New Hampshire% T, 0-0 (ot)
31 Beatrice Aeros% L, 9-0

February

5 Cornell W, 6-1
6 Cornell W, 5-0
7 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 4-0
13 Augsburg 7:05 p.m.
14 Minnesota State, Mankato 4:05 p.m.
20 Providence 2:33 p.m.
21 Providence 1:05 p.m.
26 Brown 7:05 p.m.
27 Brown 7:05 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA
22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.
26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

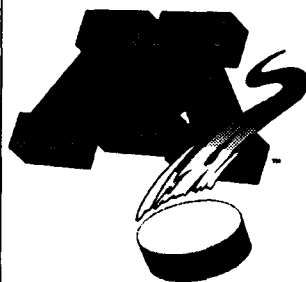
#—Bison Invitational

\$—High Peaks Classic

%—Citizens Bank Border Battle

Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

February 8, 1999



#4 Minnesota vs. Augsburg
Saturday, Feb. 13, 1999

#4 Minnesota vs. MSU, Mankato
Sunday, Feb. 14, 1999

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THIS WEEK—Minnesota is on the road for the final time this season as they travel to Augsburg and Minnesota State, Mankato for a pair of games.

The Gophers cross the Mississippi to play intracity rival Augsburg at 7:05 p.m. Saturday and then head south for their fourth meeting with the Mavericks, beginning at 4:05 p.m. Sunday.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fourth-ranked Gophers got back on the winning track with a trio of victories at home over the weekend, taking a two-game series from Cornell, 5-1 and 6-0, Friday and Saturday before downing MSU, Mankato 4-0 Sunday.

Friday night, Minnesota scored four times in the second period, including three power-play goals, to snap a scoreless tie and go on to a 6-1 win.

Ending an 0-for-20 streak on the power play, the Gophers got on the board when **Emily Buchholz (Waupun, Wis./Waupun)** scored on a shot from the top of the left circle.

Minnesota got a 5-on-3 opportunity later in the period and capitalized when **Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina)** scored her 27th goal of the season at 13:22 and **Ambria Thomas (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley)** added her eighth a minute later.

Courtney Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham, Browne & Nichols) scored an even-strength goal with 2:50 left to give the Gophers a 4-0 lead after a second period in which they outshot the Big Red 19-3.

Laura Slominski (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville) made it 5-0 at 12:05 of the final period and, after Cornell's **Jenel Bode** scored to avert the shutout at 16:01, **Kris Scholz (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area)** closed out the scoring with 2:02 to play.

Minnesota held a 40-15 advantage in shots on goal with **Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy)** stopping 14 shots for her 12th win of the season.

The Gophers got off to a slow start again Saturday but got on the board when **Shannon Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham, Browne & Nichols)** put home a rebound for her sixth goal of the season at 17:50 of the opening period.

Minnesota had a 24-7 advantage in shots on goal in the second period but managed just two goals as **Buchholz** scored from the top of the left circle at 5:56 and **Winnie Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** finished off a 2-on-1, scoring with 4.5 seconds left in the period.

Cornell turned the tables on the Gophers in the final period, outshooting their hosts 18-7, including nine power-play shots, but **Killewald** withstood the onslaught and **Schmidgall** and **Brittany Ralph (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center)** tallied power-play goals for the Gophers to complete the team's 20th victory of the season.

Killewald posted her fifth shutout of the season by stopping 33 shots for Minnesota, which outshot the Big Red 42-33.

Sunday afternoon the Gophers struggled through a lackluster opening 20 minutes once again but **Thomas** scored with 42 seconds left in the first period.

Minnesota's remaining three goals came in a burst of 2:30 during the second period. **Shannon Kennedy** tallied at 7:07, **Schmidgall** scored at 8:36 and **Amber Hegland (Farmington, Minn./Farmington)** rounded out the three-goal spree at 9:37.

Crystal Nicholas (Tulsa, Okla./Union) recorded her fifth shutout of the season, and the team's 10th, by stopping 14 shots.

AUGSBURG RECENTLY—The Auggies clinched a share of the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title with a 4-2 win over St. Benedict Friday but dropped a 4-0 decision at St. Mary's Saturday.

Augsburg jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead Friday as **Angie Rieger** and **Erica Johnson** scored 16 seconds apart in the game's first three minutes. **Rieger**, **Stephanie Johnson** and **Erica Johnson** each had a goal and an assist in the victory while **Meg Schmidt** stopped 28 of 30 shots for her ninth win of the season.

Saturday, the Auggies lost their bid to clinch the MIAC title outright and go unbeaten in league play as they were shutout despite holding a 30-25 edge in shots on goal.

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Augsburg head coach Jill Pohtilla is in her fourth season guiding the Auggies. A 1987 graduate of Minnesota, she boasts a record of 61-30-4.

MSU, MANKATO RECENTLY—The Mavericks had a season-best four-game winning streak snapped in Sunday's 4-0 loss to the Gophers.

MSU, Mankato goalie Jenny Padgett kept her team in the game by stopping 41 shots.

Head coach Todd Carroll is in his first season as a head coach after spending nine years as a men's assistant. A 1986 graduate of St. Olaf, he spent two years as a graduate assistant at St. Cloud State before returning to his alma mater, where he spent seven seasons before accepting his current position last year. Carroll currently sports a 10-12-0 record.

HITTING 100—Minnesota head coach **Laura Halldorson** earned her 100th career victory with Saturday's 5-0 win over Cornell.

The victory gives **Halldorson** 100-84-14 career mark, a winning percentage of .540 during her nine-year career. In her second season at Minnesota, she now sports a 41-9-5 record for an impressive .791 winning percentage.

HANGING THE COLLAR—In just over a month, goalie **Erica Killewald** has put together the best stretch of her career, posting a 7-1-1 record, including five shutouts, along with a 1.18 goals against average and a .952 save percentage.

Included in that was a shutout streak of 201:24, including shut-out wins over 1998 Canadian national champion Concordia and defending American Women's College Hockey Alliance champion New Hampshire on back-to-back nights.

This past weekend, she was 4:59 away from shutting out Cornell Friday before the Big Red got on the board and she then stopped 33 shots Saturday to collect her fifth shutout in 23 days.

MORE IN THE MIDDLE—The most valuable player at last year's ACHA National Championship, **Winnie Brodt** established herself as one of the nation's top players on defense.

However, when the Gophers needed another center after the quarter break in December, the smooth-skating **Brodt** was moved up and has flourished at her new position.

In 12 games since making the transition, she is second on the team with 20 points, including a team-best 17 assists during that time. She has also posted a plus/minus rating of +18 in those 12 games and now leads the team for the season with a +43.

TAKING A BREAK—When the U.S. Women's National Team heads to Finland, for the World Championships, March 8-14, **Jenny Schmidgall** will be accompanying them.

Schmidgall will miss the Midwest Showdown, March 7th and 12th, but will be available should the Gophers be invited to the American Women's College Hockey Alliance championship, March 26-27.

This will be **Schmidgall's** second tour of duty with the national squad. Last year, she was a member of the team that claimed the gold medal at the Winter Olympics. She scored two goals and five points at the Olympic games and tallied nine goals and 21 points in 30 games for the season.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore center **Winnie Brodt** played for the U.S. Women's Select Team at the Three Nations Cup in Finland, Dec. 10-15.

Canada grabbed a 2-1 win over the United States, Dec. 10, in the tourney opener, but the U.S. rebounded the next day with a 3-2 win over Finland as **Schmidgall** assisted on the game-tying goal and then scored the game-winner 56 seconds into the third period.

After a two-day respite, the U.S. again fell to Canada, Dec. 14, 4-3 in a shootout before closing out play with a 4-3 win over Finland.

Schmidgall, who played in the 1998 Olympics, and **Brodt**, a member of the 1996 U.S. Women's Select Team, were chosen from the USA Hockey Women's Festival for the national team and were joined

by Gopher head coach **Laura Halldorson**, who served as the team's assistant coach.

NATURAL BORN KILLERS—Minnesota has raised its penalty-kill efficiency to 92.0 percent on the season.

The Gophers extended their streak of not allowing a power-play goal to nine games over the weekend and have now killed 33 consecutive power plays.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—Minnesota was ranked highly in a number of team statistical categories last week, as were several Gopher players.

Total points—1. Jenny Schmidgall, 54; 5. Nadine Muzerall, 37; t12. Kris Scholz, 32. **Points per game**—3. Schmidgall, 2.70; 6. Muzerall, 1.85; 15. Scholz, 1.45. **Totals goals**—1. Schmidgall, 26; 3. Muzerall, 21; t16. Amber Hegland, 13. **Goals per game**—2. Schmidgall, 1.30; t3. Muzerall, 1.05. **Total assists**—2. Schmidgall, 28; t4. Scholz, 20; t13. Winnie Brodt, 17; t16. Slominski, Muzerall, 16. **Assists per game**—3. Schmidgall, 1.40; 10. Scholz, 0.91; 13. Brodt, 0.85; t18. Slominski, Muzerall, 0.80. **Power-play goals**—t2. Schmidgall, Muzerall, 7; t20. Scholz, Courtney Kennedy 3. **Short-handed goals**—t2. Muzerall, 2. **Game-winning goals**—t1. Muzerall, 5; t17. Schmidgall, S. Kennedy, 2, Emily Buchholz 2.

Goals against average—1. Crystal Nicholas, 1.18; 5. Erica Killewald, 1.37. **Save percentage**—t1. Killewald, .942. **Winning percentage**—1. Nicholas, 1.000; 4. Killewald, .800. **Shutouts**—t2. Nicholas, Killewald, 4.

Scoring offense—2nd, 6.05. **Scoring defense**—3rd, 1.36. **Scoring margin**—2nd, +4.68. **Power play**—2nd, 31.0%. **Penalty kill**—3rd, 90.8%.

THE SERIES—The Gophers are 3-0-0 against both of this weekend's opponents, having taken three games from Augsburg last season while winning all three games against MSU, Mankato this season.

Minnesota is 2-0-0 at home against the Auggies and won the only meeting between the two schools at Augsburg Arena, Feb. 6, 1998, by a 9-2 count.

Likewise, the Gophers will play the Mavericks on the road for the second time. In their first meeting in Mankato, Minnesota opened this season up with an 11-1 win.

WHEN LAST WE MET—Minnesota's last meeting with Augsburg was March 8, 1998, in the Midwest Showdown at Mariucci Aren, a game which the Gophers won 10-2 behind a career-best four-assist, five-point effort by **Ambria Thomas**.

The Gophers defeated MSU, Mankato 4-0 this past Sunday in the teams' most recent meeting. Minnesota had a 45-14 advantage in shots on goal and were led by **Thomas** with a goal and an assist.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting a 101-84-14 overall record and a 42-9-5 mark at Minnesota.

She began her head coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival and also served as an assistant for the U.S. Women's Select team that competed in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a de-

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gree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Hall-dorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 20-3-4 in the five-year-old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team on Feb. 20. The women's game gets underway at 2:30 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season.

KKMS broadcast the Nov. 27-28 games from Princeton's Hobey Baker Rink at the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational and also carried the Concordia and New Hampshire games, Jan. 29-30, during the Citizens Bank Border Battle at the Whittemore Center in Durham, N.H.

The KKMS schedule also includes four home games, including this past weekend's games against Cornell (Friday) and MSU, Mankato. The remaining schedule includes: Providence, Feb. 21; and Brown, Feb. 26.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball standout Sarah Pearman handling the color commentary.

BONUS COVERAGE—Saturday's game with Augsburg will also be carried live as part of the Auggies' radio package with KKMS. Rick Benson will call the play-by-play for that game.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota maintained its position in both the *U.S. College Hockey Online* and *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* polls last week. Harvard remained in the top spot in both polls.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Feb. 1, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (10)	16-1-0	100	1
2. New Hampshire	14-3-5	88	2
3. Minnesota	8-1-2	81	3
4. Brown	12-2-3	71	4
5. Providence	12-4-2	60	6
6. Northeastern	12-4-2	45	7
7. Dartmouth	10-6-4	35	8
8. Princeton	11-6-1	32	5

Others receiving votes: Cornell 8.

USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll (Feb. 2, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	16-1-0	25	1
2. New Hampshire	14-2-5	20	2
3. Brown	12-2-3	13	3
4. Minnesota	18-2-2	12	4
5. Providence	14-5-2	4	NR

Others receiving votes: Princeton 1.

UP NEXT—The Gophers return home to begin a key four-game homestand next Saturday and Sunday when they will host Providence.

Saturday's game, which will be carried live on Midwest Sports Channel, is slated for a 2:35 p.m. faceoff with Saturday's game, broadcast on KKMS-980 AM, set to get underway at 1:05 p.m.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 31-for-93 (33.3%) on the power play, including its 5-for-9 performance over the weekend. The Gophers' 93 power plays have resulted in 137:49 of power-play time and they average a goal every 4:27 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	23	9	10	19	32	.281
Kris Scholz	25	3	12	15	10	.300
Nadine Muzerall	22	7	4	11	25	.280
Emily Buchholz	24	3	5	8	11	.273
Courtney Kennedy	23	3	4	7	18	.167
Winnie Brodt	23	1	6	7	9	.111
Brittney Ralph	24	2	4	6	22	.091
Ambria Thomas	22	1	2	3	7	.143
Laura Slominski	24	1	2	3	6	.167
Shannon Kennedy	23	0	3	3	4	.000
Amber Hegland	25	1	1	2	4	.250
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Tai Thorsheim	24	0	1	1	0	.000
Tracy Engstrom	22	0	0	0	9	.000
Angela Borek	24	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	20	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	15	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	25	31	56	87	163	.190
Opponents	25	7	12	19	101	.069

THE PENALTY KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 80-for-87 (92.0%) killing penalties, after going 11-for-11 on the weekend, with their opponents having spent 140:59 on the power play, averaging a goal every 20:08. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	22	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	23	1	0	1	6	.167
Brittney Ralph	24	1	0	1	2	.000
Courtney Kennedy	23	0	1	1	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	22	0	1	1	0	.000
Shannon Kennedy	23	0	0	0	3	.000
Laura Slominski	24	0	0	0	3	.000
Ambria Thomas	22	0	0	0	3	.000
Kris Scholz	25	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	24	0	0	0	1	.000
Tai Thorsheim	24	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	23	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	20	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	15	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	25	4	2	6	30	.133
Opponents	25	1	1	2	7	.143

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Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Feb 08, 1999)

All games

Overall: 21-2-2 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 8-1-1 Away: 5-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

Name	GP	SHOTS					Pct	+/-	PENALTIES				GOALS							
		G	A	Pts	Shots				No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN
Jenny Schmidgall	23	29	29	58	134	.216	+37	6-12	6	0	0	9	1	4	3	1	0	1	0	0
Kris Scholz	25	13	25	38	63	.206	+22	1-2	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
Nadine Muzerall	22	21	16	37	127	.165	+27	8-16	8	0	0	7	2	6	5	0	0	3	0	0
Winnie Brodt	23	7	22	29	63	.111	+43	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amber Hegland	25	14	14	28	60	.233	+32	5-10	5	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Laura Slominski	23	9	18	27	49	.184	+32	4-8	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ambria Thomas	22	9	14	23	53	.170	+22	7-14	7	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	23	7	15	22	65	.108	+32	4-8	4	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	23	9	10	19	60	.150	+27	14-28	14	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	22	8	10	18	51	.157	+19	4-8	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Brittney Ralph	24	5	13	18	60	.083	+28	7-14	7	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	24	4	13	17	37	.108	+26	12-24	12	0	0	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	15	3	4	7	13	.231	+7	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	24	1	5	6	21	.048	+11	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	24	1	4	5	15	.067	+33	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	21	1	3	4	17	.059	+7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	23	1	2	3	17	.059	+7	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	14	1	1	2	11	.091	+1	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	20	0	2	2	21	.000	+32	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	14	1	0	1	14	.071	+2	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crystal Nicholas	10	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	25	148	227	375	967	.153	+459	100-200	100	0	0	31	4	20	21	1	0	6	0	0
Opponents.....	25	31	37	68	483	.064	-	110-247	106	1	3	7	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0

Name	GP	Minutes	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES			RECORD				GOALS			
			GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG	
Crystal Nicholas	10	516:11	9	1.05	82	.901	8	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	
Erica Killewald	17	993:25	21	1.27	370	.946	13	2	2	5	6	1	0	0	0	
TEAM	6	0:24	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Total.....	25	1510:00	31	1.23	452	.936	21	2	2	10	7	1	1	0	0	
Opponents.....	25	1510:00	148	5.88	819	.847	2	21	2	2	31	4	1	0	0	

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Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Feb 08, 1999)

All games

Overall: 21-2-2 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 8-1-1 Away: 5-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	148-967	31-483
Shot pct.....	.153	.064
Goals/Game.....	5.9	1.2
Shots/Game.....	38.7	19.3
Assists.....	227	37
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	31-93	7-87
Conversion Percent.....	.333	.080
Shot Attempts.....	272	202
Shot Percent.....	.114	.035
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	4-51	1-13
Shot Percent.....	.078	.077
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	148	31
Power Play.....	31	7
Short-handed.....	4	1
Empty net.....	1	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	100	110
Minutes.....	200	247
Penalties/Game.....	4.0	4.4
Pen minutes/Game.....	8.0	9.9
Minor.....	100	106
Major.....	0	1
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	2
Game Misconduct.....	0	1
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	872-703	703-872
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	10825	2331
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	10/1083	6/389
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	9/117	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total

Minnesota.....	54	58	36	0	148
Opponents.....	7	8	16	0	31



University of Minnesota
Women's Athletics

1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 3-2

Big Ten: 0-0

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan W, 5-2
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 at #35 Marquette L, 5-4

FEBRUARY

7 Illinois-Chicago W, 5-2
12 at Syracuse 3 p.m.
13 vs. #41 Maryland (at Syracuse) 2 p.m.
20 Illinois 5 p.m.
27 Indiana 5 p.m.
28 Purdue 10 a.m.

MARCH

5 at Iowa State 3 p.m.
6 at Drake 10 a.m.
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home games in caps and bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

Minnesota at Syracuse
Friday, Feb. 12

Minnesota vs. #41 Maryland (at Syracuse)
Saturday, Feb. 13

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GOPHERS TO TAKE ON SYRACUSE AND MARYLAND — The No. 47 Golden Gophers travel to Syracuse, N.Y. this weekend for two matches. On Friday, Minnesota will compete against Syracuse, while the Gophers will compete against Maryland at Syracuse on Saturday.

ABOUT SYRACUSE — Syracuse is 1-0 on the season after a 6-3 win at Cornell on Feb. 3. Katie Thompson has the best record on the team at 11-5, followed by Zuzanna Borucka at 9-7. In doubles, the team of Shareen Lai and Anna Khvalina have a 10-6 record.

ABOUT MARYLAND — Maryland is ranked No. 41, led by Meg Griffin, who is ranked No. 90. The duo of Griffin and Lorraine Bittles is ranked No. 15 in doubles.

MINNESOTA DEFEATS ILLINOIS-CHICAGO — Minnesota swept the three doubles matches to earn the doubles point, then won four of six singles matches to defeat Illinois-Chicago, 5-2, at the Northwest Athletic Club in Bloomington, Minn.

Junior **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** and newcomer **Jen Howard (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea)** swept their opponents at No. 3 doubles, 8-0. The duo improves to 4-1 in the spring season and 11-2 overall.

At No. 1 doubles, junior **Kim Simonsen (Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West)** and senior **Jana Hrdinova (Prague, Czech Republic/Stoughton, Wis.)** teamed to defeat Sara Jackson and Emina Curic, 8-4. Seniors **Tarah Elkins (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm)** and **Sitinee Rangsinhienchai (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor)** defeated Jacki Farr and Serena Xie at No. 2 doubles, 8-1.

Simonsen won at No. 1 singles, defeating Sara Jackson, 6-2, 6-1. **Sauska** defeated Jacki Farr at No. 2 singles, 6-1, 6-2. **Elkins** easily defeated Alyson Stalzer at No. 5 singles, 6-0, 6-1. In her first match of the spring season, newcomer **Andrea Rose (North Vancouver, British Columbia/Handsworth)** defeated Karen Liwanpo, 7-6, 6-3.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — **Martin Novak** is in his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gophers. **Novak** has compiled a record of 85-97. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten.

UP NEXT — Minnesota returns home to open its Big Ten Conference schedule. The Golden Gophers will host Illinois on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 5 p.m. at the Northwest Athletic Club in Bloomington.

1998-99 University of Minnesota Women's Tennis

Overall: 3-2 Big Ten: 0-0 Home: 2-1 Away: 0-1 Neutral: 1-0

Date	Opponent	Location	W/L	Score	Record
1/22	#15 Pepperdine	Home	L	5-2	0-1
1/23	DePaul	Home	W	6-1	1-1
1/30	Western Michigan	Milwaukee	W	7-2	2-1
1/31	#35 Marquette	Away	L	5-4	2-2
2/7	Illinois-Chicago	Home	W	5-2	3-2
2/12	Syracuse	Away			
2/13	Maryland	Syracuse			
2/20	Illinois*	Home			
2/27	Indiana*	Home			
2/28	Purdue*	Home			
3/5	Iowa State	Away			
3/6	Drake	Away			
3/25	Texas Christian	Away			
4/4	Northwestern*	Home			
4/10	Iowa*	Away			
4/11	Wisconsin*	Away			
4/16	Michigan*	Home			
4/18	Michigan State*	Home			
4/23	Ohio State*	Away			
4/25	Penn State*	Away			
4/29-30	Big Ten Championship	Michigan State			

*Big Ten Conference

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Spring	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang							4-0		4-0	1.000
Tarah Elkins					1-0	3-1	3-2	4-1	7-3	.700
Nora Sauska		2-1	2-0				8-5	4-1	12-6	.667
Kim Simonsen	2-1	1-1					6-3	3-2	9-5	.643
S. Rangsitienchai	1-1		2-1				11-7	3-2	14-9	.609
Jen Howard				0-1	3-1		3-3	3-2	6-5	.545
Andrea Rose						1-0	2-3	1-0	3-3	.500
Jana Hrdinova				1-3			3-3	1-3	4-6	.400
Totals	3-2	3-2	4-1	1-4	4-1	4-1	40-26	19-11	59-37	.615

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Spring	Total	Pct.
Sauska/Howard		0-1	4-0	7-1	4-1	11-2	.846
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1		2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1		1-1	.500
Elkins/Rangsitienchai		2-2	1-0	1-2	3-2	4-4	.500
Hrdinova/Simonsen	2-3			3-3	2-3	5-6	.455
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2		1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsitienchai				0-1		0-1	.000
Totals	2-3	2-3	5-0	15-11	9-6	24-17	.585

1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

9	Northwest Open	unscored
16	at Badger Classic (Madison, Wis.)	unscored
23	at Wis.-Stout	5th (48 points)
30	Minnesota Classic	1st (89 points)

February

5-6	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	unscored
13	Minnesota Open	11 a.m.
20-21	at Big Ten Championships (Ohio State)	

March

5-6	at NCAA Championships (Indianapolis)
21-28	Spring Trip (Rice University)

Home meets in bold at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

2-3	at Texas Relays (Austin, Texas)
9-10	at SEA Ray Relays (Tennessee)
17	at UNI Invitational at St. Olaf Invitational
23-24	at Penn Relays (Philadelphia, Pa.)
24-25	at Drake Relays (Des Moines, Iowa)
25	at Macalaster Invitational (St. Paul, Minn.)

May

1	Heartland Classic	10 a.m.
8	Minnesota Open	10 a.m.
8	at North Carolina Invitational	
15	Minnesota Qualifier	10 a.m.
21-23	at Big Ten Chammpionships (Purdue)	

June

2-5	at NCAA Championships (Boise State)
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Home meets in bold at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

Minnesota hosts the Minnesota Open
Saturday, Feb. 13, 11 a.m.
Minnesota Fieldhouse

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THIS WEEK — The Golden Gophers are home for the Minnesota Maroon and Gold Open on Saturday, Feb. 13. Field events and track events begin at 11 a.m. Teams scheduled to compete are Augustana (Sioux Falls, S.D.), Bethel (St. Paul), Carleton, Concordia (Moorhead, Minn.), Concordia (St. Paul), Gustavus Adolphus, Hamline, Luther, Macalaster, Minnesota State-Mankato, Minnesota-Duluth, Northwestern College, St. Benedict, St. Catherine, St. Cloud State, St. Mary's, St. Olaf, St. Thomas, Winona State, Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Wisconsin-Stout, Wisconsin-Superior.

WHITE SETS 400 RECORD — Senior **Yvette White** (Washington, D.C./Woodrow Wilson) set a school record to lead the Golden Gophers at the Iowa State Invitational in Ames, Iowa. She broke her own record in the 400 meters with a time of 56.52 seconds, improving her record of 56.71 set in 1997.

SCHMITT IS PROVISIONAL AGAIN — Sophomore **Aubrey Schmitt** (Hastings, Minn./Hastings) placed second in the shot put with a toss of 50-9 1/2, a mark that provisionally qualifies her for the NCAA Championships. Junior **Nicole Chimko** (Aldersyde, Alberta/Foothills Composite) placed fourth in the shot put with a mark of 47-8 1/2.

OTHER RESULTS FROM IOWA STATE — Junior **Christine Gulbrandsen** (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole) won the triple jump, recording a leap of 41 feet, 2 1/2 inches. She also tied for fifth place in the pole vault with a mark of 10-11 3/4, while sophomore **Stacie Blaskowski** (Eau Claire, Wis./North) placed ninth at 10-0. Sophomore **Corinne Nimt** (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie) placed third in the 5000-meter run in a time of 17:12.65, the 10th-fastest time in school history.

Three Minnesota athletes placed among the top five finishers in the weight throw. **Aubrey Schmitt** placed third with a toss of 58-5. Sophomore **Brenda Meyer** (Watertown, Wis./Watertown) set a personal best with a toss of 53-0, more than a foot better than her previous best. Sophomore **Angie Hill** (Poplar Bluff, Mo./Poplar Bluff) placed sixth at 52-3.

In the 3000 meters, junior **Minna Haronoja** (Illo, Finland/Vammala) placed sixth in a time of 10 minutes, 3.62 seconds. In the mile run, newcomer **Victoria Moses** (New Brighton, Minn./Irondale) placed 11th in 4:59.81 and sophomore **Elaine Eggleston** (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area) 13th in 5:01.76.

PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS —

• Triple Jump	41-10 3/4	Christine Gulbrandsen	Minnesota Classic, 1/30
• Shot Put	50-9 1/2	Aubrey Schmitt	Iowa State Classic, 2/7
• Weight Throw	58-8 1/2	Aubrey Schmitt	Minnesota Classic, 1/30

NEW SCHOOL RECORDS IN 1999 —

• 60 meters	7.74	Kim Heath	Northwest Open, 1/9
• 400 meters	56.52	Yvette White	Iowa State Classic, 2/7
• 60 hurdles	8.72	Yvette White	Badger Track Classic, 1/16
• Triple Jump	41-10 3/4	Christine Gulbrandsen	Minnesota Classic, 1/30
• Pole Vault	11-1 3/4	Christine Gulbrandsen	Badger Track Classic, 1/16
• Weight Throw	58-8 1/2	Aubrey Schmitt	Minnesota Classic, 1/30

1999 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

60 Meters

1. Kim Heath (a)	7.74*
2. Pattie Galle (a)	8.21
3. Stacie Blaskowski (b)	8.24

200 meters

1. Pattie Galle (d)	26.0
2. Anna Chalin (c)	28.66
3. Jaime Hamilton (c)	29.10

400 meters

1. Yvette White (e)	56.52*
2. Neketa Sears (d)	56.98
3. Pattie Galle (a)	60.99

600 meters

1. Yvette White (b)	1:34.47
2. Neketa Sears (b)	1:38.93
3. Gretchen Witty (c)	1:50.60

800 meters

1. Jenny Moylan (e)	2:15.88
2. Gena Johnson (c)	2:17.77
3. Neketa Sears (a)	2:28.45

Mile

1. Victoria Moses (e)	4:59.81
2. Elaine Eggleston (e)	5:01.76
3. Gena Johnson (e)	5:05.55

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (b)	10:00.18
2. Corinne Nimtze (b)	10:04.69
3. Elaine Eggleston (d)	10:08.40

5000 meters

1. Corinne Nimtze (e)	17:12.65
2. Victoria Moses (d)	17:34.39
3. Nikki Rassbach (c)	19:31.94

60 meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	8.72*
2. Neketa Sears (a)	8.79
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	9.48

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Smith, Sears (b)	3:52.58
2. White, Sears, Galle, Moylan (e)	3:53.25
3. Johnson, Bruss, Chalin, Moylan (d)	4:02.92

High Jump

1. Alissa Bruss (d)	5-2 1/2 (1.59)
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Long Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	18-10 3/4 (5.76)
2. Stacie Blaskowski (d)	15-9 (4.80)
3. Anna Chalin (e)	13-8 1/4 (4.17)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	41-10 3/4 (12.77)*#
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Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (e)	50-9 1/2 (15.48)#
2. Nicole Chimko (e)	47-8 1/2 (14.54)
3. Jenney Luer (b)	41-1 3/4 (12.54)

Weight Throw

1. Aubrey Schmitt (d)	58-8 1/2 (17.89)*#
2. Brenda Meyer (e)	52-11 1/2 (16.14)
3. Angie Hill (e)	52-6 (16.00)

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	11-1 3/4 (3.40)*
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	10-2 (3.10)

* School Record

NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, Wis.)

(c) Wisconsin-Stout Invitational (Menomonie, Wis.)

(d) Minnesota Classic (Minneapolis)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule
30-1-1 overall
5-1 Big Ten

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
 (Chapel Hill, N.C.)
 def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
 def. S. Carolina 278-92
 tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
 (Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 Minnesota Invitational
 (1st/12 teams, 1,045.5 pts.)

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
 Swimmers – Maui, Hawaii
 Divers – Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
 (Austin, Texas)
- 9 Gold Country Invitational
 (1st/13 teams, 1,257 pts.)
- 16 Nebraska W, 170-130
- 22 at Northwestern L, 154-146
- 23 Iowa W, 169.5-130.5
- 29-30 Wisconsin W, 224-117
 Illinois W, 227-118
 Purdue W, 238-118

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 Minnesota Challenge n/s
- 18-20 Big Ten Championship
 Thur.-Sat. 11 a.m./7 p.m.
- 27 Gopher Invitational TBA

MARCH

- 12-13 Zone C Diving
 (Bloomington, Ind.)
- 18-20 NCAA Championships
 (Athens, Ga.)

Home meets at the University
 Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard
 Pool



**1998-99 Minnesota
 Swimming & Diving**

Next Competition: Big Ten Championships
Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 18-20, 1999
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GOLDEN GOPHERS OFF TO PREPARE FOR BIG TEN MEET — The No. 14 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team is off this week to prepare for the 1999 Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championships, hosted by Minnesota on Thursday-Saturday, February 18-20.

ADVANCE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR BIG TEN'S — All-session tickets for the 1999 Big Ten Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, Feb. 18-20, at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool are available by calling the Gopher Ticket Office at 612-624-8080 or 1-800-U-GOPHER. The price of an all-session ticket is \$30.

GOPHERS WIN 12 EVENTS AT UNSCORED MINNESOTA CHALLENGE — The No. 14 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team won 12 events over the two-day (Feb. 5-6) Minnesota Challenge meet.

Sophomore **Lital Kashriel (Ma'ale Adumim, Israel/Ott Ramot)** led the Gopher effort with four victories. **Kashriel** won the 100-yard butterfly in a time of 59.04 seconds and the 100-yard backstroke in 58.48 seconds. She was also a member of the winning 200-yard freestyle relay (1:36.05) and the 200-yard medley relay (1:49.04).

Sophomore **Katy Christoferson (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville)** captured three titles, winning the 200-yard individual medley in 2:05.51 and the 400-yard IM in 4:28.01. **Christoferson** was also on the winning 200 freestyle relay.

Other Gopher first-place finishers at the Minnesota Challenge:

Shelley Miller (Brookfield, Wis./Central)	200 free	1:58.17
Ashley Wallace (Park Rapids, Minn./Park Rapids)	1,650 free	19:11.89
Amy Mickschl (Brown Deer, Wis./Divine Savior)	200 back	2:06.79
Andrea Simakova (Brno, Czech Republic/Botanicka)	200 fly	2:03.35
Terri Jashinsky (Menomonee Falls, Wis./Men. Falls)	50 free	23.73

Minnesota's winning relays:

200 free (1:36.05)	Christoferson, Simakova, Kashriel, Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)
400 free (3:36.15)	Simakova, Kim Hamren (Richfield, Minn./Richfield), Jocelyn Pogue (Jamestown, N.D./Jamestown), Amy Miller (Blaine, Minn./Lake Park)
200 medley (1:49.04)	Kashriel, Kelsey Hegener (Cologne, Minn./Lutheran), Krissy Berglund (Somerville, N.J./Somerville), Meghan Sonstegard (Sioux Falls, S.D./Apple Valley)

MINNESOTA RANKED 14TH — Minnesota is ranked No. 14 in the Speedo American College Swimming Coaches Association Top 25, dated Feb. 4. Georgia is No. 1, while Michigan (No. 9), Northwestern (No. 12) and Wisconsin (No. 16) are other Big Ten teams included in the national poll. Illinois and Indiana received votes. The next release date for the national poll is Feb. 18.

HEAD COACH JEAN FREEMAN — Minnesota head coach **Jean Freeman** enters her 26th season with the Golden Gophers. **Freeman** has guided the Golden Gopher program to seven top-20 national finishes. She is assisted by **Terry Nieszner** and diving coach **KZ Li**.

University of Minnesota
1998-99 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 30-1-1 Dual Record: 7-1-1 Big Ten: 5-1 Invitationals: 23-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/6-7/98	vs. #7 Michigan	W	12th	230.5-139.5	1/23/99	Iowa	W	14th	169.5-130.5
11/6-7/98	at #16 North Carolina	T	12th	185-185	1/29-30/99	vs. #16 Wisconsin	W	14th	224-117
11/6-7/98	vs. South Carolina	W	12th	278-92	1/29-30/99	vs. Purdue	W	14th	238-118
11/13-14/98	at Meet of Champions	Exb.	12th	n/a	1/29-30/99	vs. Illinois	W	14th	227-118
11/20-22/98	Minnesota Invite	1st/12	13th	1045.5	2/5-6/99	Minnesota Challenge		14th	n/a
12/13-24/98	Training Trip (Hawaii/Florida)		13th	n/a	2/18-20/99	Big Ten Championships			
1/6-10/99	at All-American Inv. (Divers)		13th	n/a	2/27/99	Gopher Invitational			
1/9/99	Gold Country Invite	1st/13	13th	1257	3/12-13/99	at NCAA Zone C Diving (Bloomington, Ind.)			
1/16/99	#8 Nebraska	W	13th	170-130	3/18-20/99	at NCAA Championships (Athens, Ga.)			
1/22/99	at #12 Northwestern	L	14th	154-146					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool
 Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)
 Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (22.78, 23.46, 22.97)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 23.68	Terri Jashinsky 2/5/99 23.73	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 24.08	Meghan Sonstegard 11/6/98 24.15	Jenny Hennen 2/5/99 24.30
100y Free (49.39, 50.87, 50.28)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 51.45	Jenny Hennen 1/16/99 51.49	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 51.79	Katy Christoferson 1/9/99 51.93	Meghan Sonstegard 11/20/98 52.39
200y Free (1:47.58, 1:50.80, 1:48.52)	Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 1:50.27 ⁶	Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 1:51.21	Jenny Hennen 1/22/99 1:51.63	Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 1:52.63	Amy Mickschl 1/22/99 1:53.51
500y Free (4:46.31, 4:54.89, 4:46.95 ⁹)	Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 4:54.44 ⁶	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 5:01.52	Amy Mickschl 1/30/99 5:03.88	Jenny Hennen 11/20/98 5:05.80	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 5:06.58
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68)	Jinny Smedstad 1/29/99 10:07.45	Marta Knowles 1/22/99 10:22.04	Terri Jashinsky 1/23/99 10:27.88	Amy Mickschl 1/23/99 10:30.74	Briana Rygg 1/16/99 10:53.54
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)	Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 17:18.40	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 17:30.11	Shelley Miller 1/9/99 18:02.22	Briana Rygg 1/9/99 18:04.88	Kim Hamren 1/9/99 18:44.29
100y Backstroke (54.87, 56.51, 54.21)	Beth Shimanski 1/23/99 57.33	Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 57.85	Emily Deppe 11/20/98 58.12	Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 58.33	Sara Rutkowski 1/16/99 58.60
200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.70, 1:59.60)	Ann Cahoy 1/22/99 2:02.16	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:02.92	Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 2:03.67	Amy Mickschl 1/16/99 2:04.68	Beth Shimanski 1/29/98 2:06.04
100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32 ^{4,5,9})	Kate McMillan 1/22/99 1:04.43	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 1:05.41	Elizabeth Pierce 1/22/99 1:05.75	Kelsey Hegener 1/29/99 1:06.02	Kim Harrod 11/20/98 1:06.70
200y Breaststroke (2:14.16, 2:18.18, 2:11.60)	Elizabeth Pierce 1/23/99 2:19.54	Kate McMillan 1/22/99 2:19.71	Katy Christoferson 1/23/99 2:21.81	Kelsey Hegener 1/30/99 2:24.80	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:25.46
100y Butterfly (54.58, 56.21, 54.24)	Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 54.71 ⁶	Andrea Simakova 1/23/99 56.22	Jenny Hennen 1/22/99 56.29	Lital Kashriel 2/6/99 59.04	Kim Hamren 2/6/99 59.15
200y Butterfly (2:00.09, 2:03.69, 2:00.09)	Jenny Hennen 1/29/99 2:01.05 ⁶	Terri Jashinsky 1/22/99 2:02.48 ⁶	Andrea Simakova 1/22/99 2:03.09 ⁶	Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 2:08.57	Kim Hamren 1/23/99 2:09.20
200y IM (2:00.94, 2:04.56, 2:02.29)	Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 2:04.54 ⁶	Terri Jashinsky 2/5/99 2:06.08	Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 2:06.66	Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:06.88	Jenny Hennen 1/9/99 2:08.04
400y IM (4:17.34, 4:25.06, 4:16.25)	Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 4:22.95 ⁶	Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 4:23.72 ⁶	Emily Deppe 11/20/98 4:28.43	Marta Knowles 11/20/98 4:29.25	Andrea Simakova 1/9/99 4:35.68
200y Free Relay (1:30.76, 1:33.48, 1:32.77)	1:35.09 Amy Cottrill, Katy Christoferson, 11/20/98 Meghan Sonstegard, Beth Shimanski				
400y Free Relay (3:19.16, 3:25.13, 3:22.78)	3:24.89 Andrea Simakova, Jinny Smedstad 1/22/99 Lital Kashriel, Amy Mickschl				
800y Free Relay (7:14.15, 7:27.17, 7:21.43)	7:27.76 Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen, 11/20/98 Terri Jashinsky, Katy Christoferson				
200y Medley Relay (1:41.48, 1:44.52, 1:41.58)	1:44.78 Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan 1/22/99 Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill				
400y Medley Relay (3:39.58, 3:46.16, 3:41.27)	3:47.69 Meghan Sonstegard, 11/20/98 Andrea Simakova, Emily Deppe, Katy Christoferson				
1 M Diving (6) (255, 295.12)	T.D. Rowe 1/22/99 289.20	Rachel Degener 1/22/99 275.55	Tracy LaVoi 1/22/99 263.02	Christina Rinkus 1/16/99 252.45	Rachelle Giese 1/23/99 220.05
1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 434.20	Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 391.60	Tracy LaVoi 1/30/99 368.85	Rachel Degener 1/29/99 344.85	Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 322.90
3 M Diving (6) (270, 332.90)	T.D. Rowe 1/16/99 310.73	Rachel Degener 1/22/99 262.58	Christina Rinkus 1/22/99 261.75	Tracy LaVoi 1/23/99 250.57	Rachelle Giese 12/18/98 202.05
3 M Diving (11) (425, 572.75)	T.D. Rowe 1/29/99 491.80	Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 454.05	Rachel Degener 1/30/99 431.15	Tracy LaVoi 11/20/98 392.25	Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 384.35
Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)	T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 295.40	Christina Rinkus 11/20/98 267.80	Rachelle Giese 11/20/98 203.05		
Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)					

¹Lead-off split time ²Varsity record ³NCAA automatic qualifying time ⁴Former American Record ⁵All-time Big Ten Record
⁶NCAA Consideration time ⁷NCAA Zone diving qualifying ⁸at NCAA Zone C meet ⁹at NCAA Championship ¹⁰Big Ten Championship Record

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Thursday, Feb. 18

SW/D hosts Big Ten Championships
11 a.m./7 p.m.
SB at North Carolina 1 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 19

SW/D hosts Big Ten Championships
11 a.m./7 p.m.
BB hosts Purdue 7 p.m.
SB at Triangle Classic 9 a.m., 3 p.m.
(Raleigh, N.C.)

Saturday, Feb. 20

SW/D hosts Big Ten Championships
11 a.m./7 p.m.
TN hosts Illinois 5 p.m.
HC hosts Providence 2:30 p.m.
GY at West Virginia/vs. N.C. State 7 p.m.
T/F at Big Ten Championships
(Columbus, Ohio)
SB at Triangle Classic 8 a.m./noon

Sunday, Feb. 21

BB hosts Wisconsin 2 p.m.
HC hosts Providence 1 p.m.
T/F at Big Ten Championships
SB at Triangle Classic TBA

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What's Coming Up

Basketball

- Golden Gophers play #2 Purdue and Wisconsin at home

Gymnastics

- #8 Minnesota competes against West Virginia and North Carolina State at West Virginia

Hockey

- #4 Minnesota hosts two-game series with Providence

Swimming & Diving

- #14 Gophers host the Big Ten Championships

Softball

- Minnesota travels to North Carolina and the Triangle Classic

Track & Field

- Golden Gophers compete in the Big Ten Indoor Championships

Tennis

- Golden Gophers host Illinois

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- Gophers sweep series with Cornell before defeating Minnesota State, Mankato

Basketball

- Cassie VanderHeyden scores 24 points against Iowa, a season high for any Gopher

Gymnastics

- Judy Cavazos wins the all-around, uneven bars and floor exercise titles, leading the Gophers to a win over Iowa

Softball

- Jordanne Nygren makes Gopher debut by hitting five home runs in first five games

Track & Field

- Christine Gulbrandsen breaks the school pole vault record

Tennis

- Minnesota defeats Syracuse before falling to Maryland



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule
30-1-1 overall
5-1 Big Ten

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
 (Chapel Hill, N.C.)
 def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
 def. S. Carolina 278-92
 tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
 (Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 Minnesota Invitational
 (1st/12 teams, 1,045.5 pts.)

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
 Swimmers - Maui, Hawaii
 Divers - Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
 (Austin, Texas)
- 9 Gold Country Invitational
 (1st/13 teams, 1,257 pts.)
- 16 Nebraska W, 170-130
 22 at Northwestern L, 154-146
 23 Iowa W, 169.5-130.5
- 29-30 Wisconsin W, 224-117
 Illinois W, 227-118
 Purdue W, 238-118

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 Minnesota Challenge ns
 18-20 Big Ten Championship
 Thur.-Sat. 11 a.m./7 p.m.
 27 Gopher Invitational TBA

MARCH

- 12-13 Zone C Diving
 (Bloomington, Ind.)
 18-20 NCAA Championships
 (Athens, Ga.)

Home meets at the University
 Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard
 Pool



**1998-99 Minnesota
 Swimming & Diving**

Big Ten Championships
Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 18-20, 1999
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GOLDEN GOPHERS HOST THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS — The No. 14 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team hosts the 1999 Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championships, Thursday-Saturday, February 18-20.

ADVANCE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR BIG TEN'S — All-session tickets for the 1999 Big Ten Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, Feb. 18-20, at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool are available by calling the Gopher Ticket Office at 612-624-8080 or 1-800-U-GOPHER. The price of an all-session ticket is \$30.

LONGTIME CHAMPION MICHIGAN STILL THE FAVORITE — Michigan has won the last 12 Big Ten titles. Ohio State, with five championships in the early 1980s, is the only other conference team to capture the crown. Minnesota has placed second the past two seasons and in three of the last four championships.

Big Ten Champions:
 Michigan 1987-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98
 Ohio State 1982-83-84-85-86

TWO GOPHERS OUT TO DEFEND TITLES — Senior T.D. Rowe (Issaquah, Wash./Liberty) and sophomore Katy Christoferson (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville) enter the Big Ten Championships with the chance to defend conference titles. Rowe won both the 1-meter and 3-meter springboard diving events and was honored as both the Big Ten's Diver of the Year and Diver of the Championships. Christoferson stormed onto the conference scene by winning the 400-yard individual medley in her first season.

GOPHER STRONGHOLDS — Minnesota relies on excellent team depth but a few events stand out for the Gophers. The Gophers should score well in these events. The 200-yard butterfly has been good to the Gophers all season. The trio of Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Minn./Anoka), Terri Jashinsky (Menomonee Falls, Wis./Menomonee Falls) and Andrea Simakova (Brno, Czech Republic/Sportown) have posted the second (2:01.05), fourth (2:02.48) and sixth-fastest (2:03.09) times in the league this season. Another Gopher event to watch is the 400 individual medley, where defending champion Katy Christoferson owns the top time (4:22.95) and first-year Jinny Smedstad (Cedar Rapids, Iowa/JFK) the second best (4:23.72). The 200 backstroke event finds sophomore Ann Cahoy (Hudson, Wis./Hudson) ranked third (2:02.16) and sophomore Emily Deppe (Green Valley, Calif.) fourth (2:02.92).

MINNESOTA RANKED 14TH — Minnesota is ranked No. 14 in the Speedo American College Swimming Coaches Association Top 25, dated Feb. 4. Georgia is No. 1, while Michigan (No. 9), Northwestern (No. 12) and Wisconsin (No. 16) are other Big Ten teams included in the national poll. Illinois and Indiana received votes. The next poll will be released Thursday.

HEAD COACH JEAN FREEMAN — Minnesota head coach Jean Freeman enters her 26th season with the Golden Gophers. Freeman has guided the Golden Gopher program to seven top-20 national finishes. She is assisted by Terry Nieszner and diving coach KZ Li.

University of Minnesota
1998-99 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 30-1-1 Dual Record: 7-1-1 Big Ten: 5-1 Invitationals: 23-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/6-7/98	vs. #7 Michigan	W	12th	230.5-139.5	1/23/99	Iowa	W	14th	169.5-130.5
11/6-7/98	at #16 North Carolina	T	12th	185-185	1/29-30/99	vs. #16 Wisconsin	W	14th	224-117
11/6-7/98	vs. South Carolina	W	12th	278-92	1/29-30/99	vs. Purdue	W	14th	238-118
11/13-14/98	at Meet of Champions	Exb.	12th	n/a	1/29-30/99	vs. Illinois	W	14th	227-118
11/20-22/98	Minnesota Invite	1st/12	13th	1045.5	2/5-6/99	Minnesota Challenge		14th	n/a
12/13-24/98	Training Trip (Hawaii/Florida)		13th	n/a	2/18-20/99	Big Ten Championships			
1/6-10/99	at All-American Inv. (Divers)		13th	n/a	2/27/99	Gopher Invitational			
1/9/99	Gold Country Invite	1st/13	13th	1257	3/12-13/99	at NCAA Zone C Diving (Bloomington, Ind.)			
1/16/99	#8 Nebraska	W	13th	170-130	3/18-20/99	at NCAA Championships (Athens, Ga.)			
1/22/99	at #12 Northwestern	L	14th	154-146					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool
 Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)
 Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (22.78, 23.46, 22.97) Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 23.68 Terri Jashinsky 2/5/99 23.73 Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 24.08 Meghan Sonstegard 11/6/98 24.15 Jenny Hennen 2/5/99 24.30	200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.70, 1:59.60) Ann Cahoy 1/22/99 2:02.16 Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:02.92 Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 2:03.67 Amy Mickschl 1/16/99 2:04.68 Beth Shimanski 1/29/98 2:06.04	400y Free Relay (3:19.16, 3:25.13, 3:22.78) 3:24.89 Andrea Simakova, Jinny Smedstad 1/22/99 Lital Kashnel, Amy Mickschl
100y Free (49.39, 50.87, 50.28) Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 51.45 Jenny Hennen 1/16/99 51.49 Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 51.79 Katy Christoferson 1/9/99 51.93 Meghan Sonstegard 11/20/98 52.39	100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32 ^{4,5,9}) Kate McMillan 1/22/99 1:04.43 Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 1:05.41 Elizabeth Pierce 1/22/99 1:05.75 Kelsey Hegener 1/29/99 1:06.02 Kim Harrod 11/20/98 1:06.70	800y Free Relay (7:14.15, 7:27.17, 7:21.43) 7:27.76 Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen, 11/20/98 Terri Jashinsky, Katy Christoferson
200y Free (1:47.58, 1:50.80, 1:48.52) Amy Cottrill 11/20/98 1:50.27 ⁶ Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 1:51.21 Jenny Hennen 1/22/99 1:51.63 Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 1:52.63 Amy Mickschl 1/22/99 1:53.51	200y Breaststroke (2:14.16, 2:18.18, 2:11.60) Elizabeth Pierce 1/23/99 2:19.54 Kate McMillan 1/22/99 2:19.71 Katy Christoferson 1/23/99 2:21.81 Kelsey Hegener 1/30/99 2:24.80 Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:25.46	200y Medley Relay (1:41.48, 1:44.52, 1:41.58) 1:44.78 Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan 1/22/99 Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill
500y Free (4:46.31, 4:54.89, 4:46.95 ⁹) Jinny Smedstad 11/20/98 4:54.44 ⁶ Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 5:01.52 Amy Mickschl 1/30/99 5:03.88 Jenny Hennen 11/20/98 5:05.80 Marta Knowles 11/20/98 5:06.58	100y Butterfly (54.58, 56.21, 54.24) Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 54.71 ⁶ Andrea Simakova 1/23/99 56.22 Jenny Hennen 1/22/99 56.29 Lital Kashriel 2/6/99 59.04 Kim Hamren 2/6/99 59.15	400y Medley Relay (3:39.58, 3:46.16, 3:41.27) 3:47.69 Meghan Sonstegard, 11/20/98 Andrea Simakova, Emily Deppe, Katy Christoferson
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68) Jinny Smedstad 1/29/99 10:07.45 Marta Knowles 1/22/99 10:22.04 Terri Jashinsky 1/23/99 10:27.88 Amy Mickschl 1/23/99 10:30.74 Briana Rygg 1/16/99 10:53.54	200y Butterfly (2:00.09, 2:03.69, 2:00.09) Jenny Hennen 1/29/99 2:01.05 ⁶ Terri Jashinsky 1/22/99 2:02.48 ⁶ Andrea Simakova 1/22/99 2:03.09 ⁶ Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 2:08.57 Kim Hamren 1/23/99 2:09.20	1 M Diving (6) (255, 295.12) T.D. Rowe 1/22/99 289.20 Rachel Degener 1/22/99 275.55 Tracy LaVoi 1/22/99 263.02 Christina Rinkus 1/16/99 252.45 Rachelle Giese 1/23/99 220.05
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67) Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 17:18.40 Marta Knowles 11/20/98 17:30.11 Shelley Miller 1/9/99 18:02.22 Briana Rygg 1/9/99 18:04.88 Kim Hamren 1/9/99 18:44.29	200y IM (2:00.94, 2:04.56, 2:02.29) Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 2:04.54 ⁶ Terri Jashinsky 2/5/99 2:06.08 Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 2:06.66 Emily Deppe 11/6/98 2:06.88 Jenny Hennen 1/9/99 2:08.04	1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15) T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 434.20 Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 391.60 Tracy LaVoi 1/30/99 368.85 Rachel Degener 1/29/99 344.85 Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 322.90
100y Backstroke (54.87, 56.51, 54.21) Beth Shimanski 1/23/99 57.33 Ann Cahoy 11/6/98 57.85 Emily Deppe 11/20/98 58.12 Lital Kashriel 11/20/98 58.33 Sara Rutkowski 1/16/99 58.60	400y IM (4:17.34, 4:25.06, 4:16.25) Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 4:22.95 ⁶ Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 4:23.72 ⁶ Emily Deppe 11/20/98 4:28.43 Marta Knowles 11/20/98 4:29.25 Andrea Simakova 1/9/99 4:35.68	3 M Diving (6) (270, 332.90) T.D. Rowe 1/16/99 310.73 Rachel Degener 1/22/99 262.58 Christina Rinkus 1/22/99 261.75 Tracy LaVoi 1/23/99 250.57 Rachelle Giese 12/18/98 202.05
	200y Free Relay (1:30.76, 1:33.48, 1:32.77) 1:35.09 Amy Cottrill, Katy Christoferson, 11/20/98 Meghan Sonstegard, Beth Shimanski	3 M Diving (11) (425, 572.75) T.D. Rowe 1/29/99 491.80 Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 454.05 Rachel Degener 1/30/99 431.15 Tracy LaVoi 11/20/98 392.25 Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 384.35
		Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05) T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 295.40 Christina Rinkus 11/20/98 267.80 Rachelle Giese 11/20/98 203.05
		Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

¹Lead-off split time ²Varsity record ³NCAA automatic qualifying time ⁴Former American Record ⁵All-time Big Ten Record
⁶NCAA Consideration time ⁷NCAA Zone diving qualifying ⁸at NCAA Zone C meet ⁹at NCAA Championship ¹⁰Big Ten Championship Record

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 23-2-2

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1
7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1
27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2
28 Princeton@ W, 3-1
29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1
18 Manitoba# W, 3-1
19 Alberta# W, 9-2
20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 St. Cloud State W, 10-0
15 St. Lawrence\$ W, 5-0
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ W, 6-4
17 Toronto\$ W, 5-1
22 Wilfrid Laurier W, 10-0
23 Wilfrid Laurier W, 7-1
29 Concordia (Montreal)% W, 3-0
30 New Hampshire% T, 0-0 (ot)
31 Beatrice Aeros% L, 9-0

February

5 Cornell W, 6-1
6 Cornell W, 5-0
7 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 4-0
13 Augsburg W, 10-0
14 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 10-1
20 Providence 2:33 p.m.
21 Providence 1:05 p.m.
26 Brown 7:05 p.m.
27 Brown 7:05 p.m.

March

3,7,12 Midwest Showdown TBA
22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.
26-27 ACHA Championships TBA

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

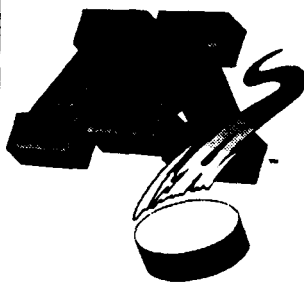
*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

#—Bison Invitational

\$—High Peaks Classic

%—Citizens Bank Border Battle



Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

February 16, 1999

#4 Minnesota vs. Providence
Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 21-22, 1999

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota begins a four-game homestand to close out the regular season by taking on Providence Saturday and Sunday.

The series opener gets underway at 2:35 p.m. Saturday and the teams will close out the set Sunday, beginning at 1:05 p.m.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The fourth-ranked Gophers swept their final two road games of the season, defeating Augsburg 10-0 Saturday and Minnesota State, Mankato 10-1 Sunday.

Four players recorded three-point nights Saturday, led by **Shannon Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham, Browne & Nichols)** and **Winnie Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area)** with two goals and an assist each.

Ambria Thomas (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley) added a goal and two assists while **Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina)** chipped in with three assists. **Courtney Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham, Browne & Nichols)** added two goals.

Minnesota set a school record with 72 shots on goal while **Crystal Nicholas (Tulsa, Okla./Union)** needed to make just four saves for her school-record sixth shutout of the season.

Sunday, the Gophers used a five-goal first period, two coming from **Kris Scholz (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area)**, and scored three times in a 29-second span en route to victory.

Scholz got the game's first two goals, the second coming at 6:55 of the opening period. Thomas scored just 14 seconds later and **Tracy Donaghue (Maple Grove, Minn./Osseo)** end the spree at 7:24.

Shannon Kennedy also chipped in with a pair of goals while **Thomas** had five points, including a career-high four assists, and **Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy)** recorded her 13th win of the season by stopping 13 shots.

PROVIDENCE RECENTLY—The Friars dropped three league games last week to fall to 16-8-2 on the season. They opened the week Wednesday with a 4-1 loss at Brown in the Mayor's Cup. **Jessica Tabb** scored Providence's lone goal while **Sara DeCosta** had 36 saves.

Saturday, the Friars lost a defensive battle at Northeastern, 1-0. DeCosta stopped 27 shots but **Hilary Witt's** power-play goal for the Huskies was the difference.

Sunday saw the Friars at Harvard to take on the top-ranked Crimson and the two teams battled to a 2-2 tie early in the third period before the hosts scored three unanswered goals to put the game away. **Kim Mathias** and **Myia Yates** scored for Providence while DeCosta had 32 saves.

JANUARY ATHLETE OF THE MONTH—Sophomore goalie **Erica Killewald** was named Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for January after posting a 5-1-1 record, including four shutouts, along with a 1.34 goals against average and a .934 save percentage.

On back-to-back nights, Jan. 29-30, **Killewald** shut out both the defending Canadian and American collegiate champions. She handed Concordia a 3-0 defeat by stopping 30 shots and followed that with a 32-save effort in a 0-0 tie with New Hampshire. Coupled with her shutout of Wilfrid Laurier a week earlier, she had a shutout streak of 201:24.

In 1999, she has an 8-1-1 record with five shutouts, all of which came in a 23-day span, as well as a 1.16 GAA and a .951 save percentage.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 2-2-2-2

THE CAPTAINS—Gopher captains **Kris Scholz** and **Amber Hegland** (Farmington, Minn./Farmington) have been leading the team on and off the ice this season.

Scholz, who followed a 15-game scoring streak with a four-game scoreless streak, has gotten back on track and has 11 points in her last five games, all of which have been multiple-point games.

Hegland has also scored in each of her last five games, tallying seven points during that time. On the season, she has not recorded a negative plus/minus rating in any game this season and has 14 goals and 31 points in her first season of hockey since 1993-94, when she played for the boys team at Farmington High School.

GETTING OFFENSIVE—Last season, **Emily Buchholz** (Waupun, Wis./Waupun) led the Gophers' defense with 12 assists. This season, three of the team's blueliners have reached that total.

Brittney Ralph (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center) leads the Minnesota defense with 15 assists while Buchholz has 14 and **Courtney Kennedy** has 12.

In all, the Gophers regular group of six have scored 24 goals, led by **Kennedy** with 11, and 79 points.

TAKING A BREAK—When the U.S. Women's National Team heads to Finland, for the World Championships, March 8-14, **Jenny Schmidgall** will be accompanying the team.

Schmidgall will miss the Midwest Showdown, March 7th and 12th, but will be available should the Gophers be invited to the American Women's College Hockey Alliance championship game, March 26-27.

This will be Schmidgall's second tour of duty with the national squad. Last year, she was a member of the team that claimed the gold medal at the Winter Olympics. She scored two goals and five points at the Olympic games and tallied nine goals and 21 points in 30 games for the season.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore center **Winnie Brodt** played for the U.S. Women's Select Team at the Three Nations Cup in Finland, Dec. 10-15.

Canada grabbed a 2-1 win over the United States, Dec. 10, in the tourney opener, but the U.S. rebounded the next day with a 3-2 win over Finland as Schmidgall assisted on the game-tying goal and then scored the game-winner 56 seconds into the final period.

After a two-day respite, the U.S. again fell to Canada, Dec. 14, 4-3 in a shootout before closing play with a 4-3 win over Finland.

NATURAL BORN KILLERS—After killing 36 consecutive penalties, Minnesota's streak of consecutive penalty kills came to an end Sunday when MSU, Mankato's Michelle Sikich banked a puck off a Gopher player and past goalie **Erica Killewald**.

Minnesota had not allowed a power-play goal since the first period of a 6-4 win over Concordia, Jan. 16, in Lake Placid, N.Y., a stretch of 10 games.

THE SERIES—Minnesota holds a 2-0-0 lead in the all-time series but the two teams will be meeting for the first time on one team's home ice.

The Gophers posted victories over the Friars at the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational and the Brown Holiday Invitational last season.

WHEN LAST WE MET—Minnesota earned a 3-0 win over Providence, Dec. 29, 1997, in Providence at the Brown Holiday Invitational.

The Gophers won despite being outshot 39-18. **Erica Killewald** recorded a career-best 39 saves to earn the shutout while **Nadine Muzerall** and **Ambria Thomas** each had a goal and an assist.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—Minnesota was ranked highly in a number of team statistical categories last week, as were several Gopher players.

Total points—2. Jenny Schmidgall, 56; t6. Kris Scholz, 38; 8. Nadine Muzerall, 37. **Points per game**—4. Schmidgall, 2.52; 6. Muzerall, 1.68; t11. Scholz, 1.52. **Total goals**—1. Schmidgall, 29; t5. Muzerall, 21; t18. Amber Hegland, 14. **Goals per game**—2. Schmidgall, 1.26; t6. Muzerall, 0.95. **Total assists**—2. Schmidgall, 29; 5. Scholz, 25; t7. Winnie Brodt, 22; t17. Laura Slominski, 18. **Assists per game**—4. Schmidgall, 1.26; t7. Scholz, 1.00; 9. Brodt, 0.96; t19. Slominski, 0.78; **Power-play goals**—2. Schmidgall, 9; t5. Muzerall, 7. **Short-handed goals**—t2. Muzerall, 2. **Game-winning goals**—t1. Muzerall, 5; t10. Schmidgall, Shannon Kennedy, 3.

Goals against average—1. Crystal Nicholas, 1.05; 3. Erica Killewald, 1.27. **Save percentage**—1. Killewald, .946. **Winning percentage**—1. Nicholas, 1.000; 3. Killewald, .824. **Shutouts**—t2. Nicholas, Killewald, 5.

Scoring offense—2nd, 5.92. **Scoring defense**—2nd, 1.24. **Scoring differential**—2nd, +4.68. **Power play**—1st, 33.3%. **Penalty kill**—3rd, 92.0%.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting a 103-84-14 overall record and a 43-9-5 mark at Minnesota.

She began her coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival. In December, she will serve as an assistant for the U.S. National team that competes in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, Halldorson played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, Halldorson returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 3-3-3-3-3

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 20-3-4 in the five-year old building.

ON THE AIR—A pair of Gopher games will be aired live by Midwest Sports Channel this season.

The first telecast was Minnesota's clash with Harvard, Nov. 5, in the opening game of the All-American East-West Challenge.

The second will be this Saturday as part of a doubleheader with the Minnesota men's team. The women's game gets underway at 2:35 p.m. as the Gophers take on Providence, to be followed by the men's clash with St. Cloud State at 7:05 p.m.

Veteran broadcaster Frank Mazzocco will handle play-by-play duties while former Minnesota North Star Tom Reid does the color commentary.

ON THE AIR, PART II—Eight Gopher games will be carried by KKMS-980 AM radio this season.

KKMS broadcast the Nov. 27-28 games from Princeton's Hober Baker Rink at the Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational and also carried the Concordia and New Hampshire games, Jan. 29-30, during the Citizens Bank Border Battle at the Whittemore Center in Durham, N.H.

The schedule also includes four home, two of which are left. They will broadcast Sunday's game, beginning at 1 p.m., and next Friday's game versus Brown, starting at 7 p.m.

Tom Witschen will call all of the play-by-play action with former Gopher volleyball standout Sarah Pearman handling the color commentary.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota moved back up to second in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* coaches poll and remained fourth in the *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* poll last week. Harvard maintained its top ranking in both polls.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Feb. 8, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (10)	19-1-0	100	1
2. Minnesota	11-1-2	84	3
3. New Hampshire	14-3-5	79	2
4. Brown	14-2-3	77	4
5. Northeastern	14-5-2	60	6
6. Providence	14-4-2	49	5
7. Dartmouth	12-6-4	36	7
8. Princeton	11-8-1	22	8

Also receiving votes: Cornell 13.

American Hockey Magazine/USA Today Poll (Feb. 9, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	19-1-0	25	1
2. Brown	14-2-3	19	3
3. New Hampshire	14-5-5	14	2
4. Minnesota	21-2-2	12	4
5. Northeastern	17-5-2	4	NR

Also receiving votes: Providence 1.

UP NEXT—Minnesota wraps up the regular season next weekend by playing host to Brown, Feb. 27-28, with both games slated for 7:05 p.m. faceoffs.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 32-for-104 (30.8%) on the power play after a 1-for-11 weekend. The Gophers' 104 power plays have resulted in 155:59 of power-play time and they average a goal every 5:00 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	25	9	11	20	34	.265
Kris Scholz	27	3	12	15	12	.250
Nadine Muzerall	24	7	4	11	27	.259
Courtney Kennedy	25	4	4	8	21	.190
Emily Buchholz	26	3	5	8	11	.273
Winnie Brodt	25	1	7	8	11	.091
Brittney Ralph	26	2	4	6	25	.080
Ambria Thomas	24	1	2	3	7	.143
Laura Slominski	26	1	2	3	6	.167
Shannon Kennedy	25	0	3	3	5	.000
Amber Hegland	27	1	1	2	5	.200
Matty Brekken	9	9	2	2	2	.000
Tai Thorsheim	26	0	1	1	0	.000
Tracy Engstrom	24	0	0	0	10	.000
Angela Borek	26	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	22	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	16	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	27	32	58	91	180	.177
Opponents	27	8	13	21	103	.1

THE PENALTY-KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 86-for-94 (91.5%) killing penalties after going 6-for-7 on the weekend, with their opponents having spent 149:21 on the power play, averaging a goal every 18:40. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	24	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	25	2	0	2	7	.273
Courtney Kennedy	25	0	2	2	1	.000
Brittney Ralph	26	1	0	1	2	.500
Tracy Engstrom	24	0	1	1	0	.000
Shannon Kennedy	25	0	0	0	4	.000
Laura Slominski	26	0	0	0	3	.000
Ambria Thomas	24	0	0	0	3	.000
Kris Scholz	27	0	0	0	1	.000
Emily Buchholz	26	0	0	0	1	.000
Tai Thorsheim	26	0	0	0	1	.000
Winnie Brodt	25	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	22	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	16	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	27	5	3	8	32	.156
Opponents	27	1	1	2	7	.143

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Feb 15, 1999)

All games

Overall: 23-2-2 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 8-1-1 Away: 7-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

Name	GP	SHOTS					Pct	+/-	PENALTIES				GOALS							
		G	A	Pts	Shots				No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN
Jenny Schmidgall	25	30	33	63	144	.208	+43	6-12	6	0	0	9	2	4	3	1	0	1	0	0
Kris Scholz	27	15	28	43	70	.214	+29	1-2	1	0	0	3	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	0
Nadine Muzerall	24	22	16	38	135	.163	+30	8-16	8	0	0	7	2	6	5	0	0	3	0	0
Winnie Brodt	25	9	23	32	78	.115	+45	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amber Hegland	27	14	17	31	66	.212	+35	5-10	5	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Ambria Thomas	24	11	20	31	59	.186	+32	8-16	8	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Laura Slominski	25	10	20	30	59	.169	+36	4-8	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	25	11	16	27	75	.147	+38	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	25	11	12	23	65	.169	+34	15-30	15	0	0	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	24	10	13	23	61	.164	+28	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Brittany Ralph	26	6	15	21	74	.081	+32	8-16	8	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	26	4	14	18	38	.105	+35	13-26	13	0	0	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	16	3	5	8	13	.231	+9	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	26	1	6	7	17	.059	+36	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	26	1	5	6	25	.040	+20	6-12	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	25	1	3	4	19	.053	+9	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	22	1	3	4	19	.053	+7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	22	1	3	4	27	.037	+38	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	15	2	1	3	13	.154	+2	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	15	1	0	1	15	.067	+3	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crystal Nicholas	11	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM	6	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	27	168	260	428	1088	.154	+553	107-214	107	0	0	32	5	22	23	1	0	6	0	0
Opponents.....	27	32	38	70	501	.064	-	121-280	115	2	4	8	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	0

Name	GP	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD				GOALS				
		Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG
Crystal Nicholas	11	576:11	9	0.94	86	.905	9	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0
Erica Killewald	18	1053:25	22	1.25	383	.946	14	2	2	5	7	1	0	0	0
TEAM	6	0:24	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total.....	27	1630:00	32	1.18	469	.936	23	2	2	11	8	1	1	0	0
Opponents.....	27	1630:00	168	6.18	920	.846	2	23	2	2	32	5	1	0	0

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Feb 08, 1999)

All games

Overall: 23-2-2 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 8-1-1 Away: 7-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	168-1088	32-501
Shot pct.....	.154	.064
Goals/Game.....	6.2	1.2
Shots/Game.....	40.3	18.6
Assists.....	260	38
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	32-104	8-94
Conversion Percent.....	.308	.085
Shot Attempts.....	306	205
Shot Percent.....	.105	.039
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	5-55	1-13
Shot Percent.....	.091	.077
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	168	32
Power Play.....	32	8
Short-handed.....	5	1
Empty net.....	1	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	107	121
Minutes.....	214	280
Penalties/Game.....	4.0	4.5
Pen minutes/Game.....	7.9	10.4
Minor.....	107	115
Major.....	0	2
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	2
Game Misconduct.....	0	2
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	968-743	743-968
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	10825	2827
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	10/1083	8/353
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	9/117	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total

Minnesota.....	62	64	42	0 -	168
Opponents.....	7	9	16	0 -	32



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 7-17 Big Ten: 2-12

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at S. Florida	W, 68-64 (OT)
19	at Stetson	W, 62-57
28	at Wisconsin*	L, 59-70
30	at Purdue*	L, 52-73

January

3	Penn State*	L, 43-72
5	Iowa*	L, 58-66
10	at Michigan*	W, 54-47
15	at Northwestern*	W, 70-68
17	Indiana*	L, 66-80
22	at Michigan State*	L, 58-73
24	at Ohio State*	L, 42-68
29	Illinois*	L, 69-88
31	Northwestern*	L, 53-66

February

5	Michigan*	L, 65-88
12	at Iowa*	L, 62-79
14	at Penn State*	L, 56-88
19	Purdue*	7 p.m.
21	Wisconsin*	2 p.m.
26-28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.)	

March

1	at Big Ten Tournament	
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Home games in **bold** are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99



No. 2 Purdue at Minnesota
Friday, Feb. 19, 7 p.m.

Wisconsin at Minnesota
Sunday, Feb. 21, 2 p.m.

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The University of Minnesota women's basketball team concludes the 1998-99 regular season with home games against No. 2 Purdue and Wisconsin. The Gophers need one more victory to double their victory total from each of the past three seasons. Minnesota needs one more Big Ten victory to surpass its conference victory total for the last three years combined. Minnesota had a .500 non-conference record this season for the first time since 1994-95, finishing its 10 non-league games at 5-5.

BROADCAST INFORMATION — Both games this weekend will be broadcast by KKMS Radio (980 AM) in the Twin Cities. Sunday's game against Wisconsin will be televised by Midwest Sports Channel, with Ryan Lefebvre and Lea Bergin-Olson on the call. KKMS will broadcast all of Minnesota's games at the Big Ten Tournament.

STARTING LINEUP — Minnesota made a significant change in its starting lineup at Iowa and Penn State. The Gophers started five players against the Hawkeyes and Lady Lions that had not started in the previous game against Michigan. Minnesota started **Cassie VanderHeyden** (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis) and **Mindy Hansen** (Chaska, Minn./Chaska) at guard, **Jackie Tate** (Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula) and **Theresa LeCuyer** (Anoka, Minn./Anoka) at forward, and **Moneeke Bowden** (Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC) at center. It is likely that these five players will start the game Friday against Purdue.

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach **Cheryl Littlejohn** is in her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 11-40 (.216) record in her two-year collegiate career. **Littlejohn** served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. **Littlejohn** played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

ABOUT PURDUE — The No. 2 Boilermakers (23-1, 14-0) have won the 1999 Big Ten title and are now after Big Ten history. Purdue needs wins at Minnesota on Friday and Northwestern on Sunday to become the second team in history to finish the Big Ten season undefeated. The other team to accomplish that feat was the 1984-85 Ohio State Buckeyes. Purdue has won 21 consecutive games, losing its only game this season by one point at Stanford on Nov. 22.

Seniors **Stephanie White-McCarty** and **Ukari Figgs** are the top two scorers for the Boilermakers. **White-McCarty** averages 20.8 points per game and shoots 49 percent from both 2-point and 3-point ranges. **Figgs** averages 15.5 points per game and shoots nearly 86 percent from the foul line. Purdue averages 78.8 points per game.

Head coach Carolyn Peck is in her second and final year as Purdue's head coach, as she will leave after the season to take over as the head coach for the Orlando entry in the WNBA. Peck is 46-11 (.807) in her two years at Purdue.

THE SERIES — Purdue leads the series, 22-10. The Boilermakers won the first meeting this season, 73-52, Dec. 30, 1998 at Mackey Arena. **Erin Olson** had 13 points to lead the Gophers in scoring. Purdue has won the last six meetings, including the last two games at the Sports Pavilion.

ABOUT WISCONSIN — The Badgers (12-12, 7-7) are in contention for a first-round bye in the 1999 Big Ten Tournament. It is not mandatory for Wisconsin to defeat Illinois at home on Friday and Minnesota at the Sports Pavilion on Sunday to finish fifth or higher, but it would certainly be helpful. The Badgers have the second-best home record in Big Ten games (6-1), but they have the worst road record in conference (1-6), with the win coming at Michigan.

Wisconsin is led by sophomore forward LaTonya Sims (17.3 points and 6.5 rebounds per game) and first-year forward Jessie Stomski (15.0 points and 6.2 rebounds per game). The last three Badger games have been overtime games, with Wisconsin winning the last two.

Head coach Jane Albright-Dieterle is in her fifth year as the coach of the Badgers and has a record in Madison of 90-50 (.643).

THE SERIES — The series is tied, 20-20. Wisconsin defeated Minnesota, 70-59, in the Big Ten opener for both teams Dec. 28, 1998. **Cassie VanderHeyden** had 21 points, including a season-high six three-pointers. Wisconsin has won eight of the last nine meetings, including the last three at the Sports Pavilion.

GOPHER REWIND: PENN STATE — The No. 15 Lady Lions used a 22-3 run to begin the second half and defeat the Gophers 88-56 on Sunday at Bryce Jordan Center in State College, Pa. **Cassie VanderHeyden** led the Gophers with 17 points, including four three-pointers. **Andrea Garner** had 23 points and 12 rebounds for Penn State, who had five players in double figures.

GOPHER REWIND: IOWA — The Hawkeyes ended the first half on an 18-6 run to take a 38-26 halftime lead and handled the Gophers 79-62 Friday in Iowa City, Iowa. **Cassie VanderHeyden** led the Gophers with 24 points, a career high and the most points scored by a Gopher this season. **Amy Herrig** scored 21 points and pulled down 12 rebounds for Iowa, which had all five starters score at least 11 points.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Home	Road	Overall
x-Purdue	14-0	8-0	6-0	23-1
Penn State	11-4	6-2	5-2	19-6
Illinois	9-5	5-2	4-3	15-9
Ohio State	8-6	5-1	3-5	15-9
Michigan State	8-7	5-3	3-4	14-11
Wisconsin	7-7	6-1	1-6	12-12
Michigan	7-7	3-3	4-4	15-9
Iowa	6-8	4-4	2-4	11-13
Northwestern	4-10	1-5	3-5	10-14
Indiana	2-12	1-7	1-5	13-15
MINNESOTA	2-12	0-6	2-6	7-17

x-clinched regular season title

BIG TEN UPDATE — Purdue is the 1999 Big Ten champion and the top seed in the 1999 Big Ten Tournament. Penn State has clinched a first-round bye, and Illinois can do likewise with one more victory. Minnesota will be the No. 11 seed unless they win at least one game this weekend. If the season were to end now, the Gophers would play No. 6 Wisconsin on Fri., Feb. 26 at 8 p.m. (EST). The Minnesota/Wisconsin winner would play No. 3 Illinois, if the standings hold. The home team is 44-34 (.564) after 78 Big Ten games.

ROBINSON CONTINUES TO LEAD — The hardest-working frontcourt player in America continues to lead Minnesota in both scoring and rebounding. **Sonja Robinson** is 5-11, and normally starts against players that are considerably taller than she is. That has not stopped her from compiling some impressive numbers for the Gophers. **Robinson** leads Minnesota in scoring at 10.5 points per game and rebounding at 7.3 rebounds per game. She set a career high with 20 points at Michigan State on Jan. 22. **Robinson** has established new career highs in a season with 253 points and 174 rebounds. **Robinson** has scored 10 or more points 13 times and has led or shared the lead in Gopher scoring nine times. She has four of Minnesota's six double-figure rebounding efforts this season.

HERE COMES CASSIE — Minnesota has a first-year player leading the Gophers in scoring for the Big Ten season. Guard **Cassie VanderHeyden** is averaging 10.9 points per game, helped by a career-high 24 points at Iowa on Friday and 17 points at Penn State on Sunday. She was the only player in double figures in either game over the weekend. **VanderHeyden** has scored in double figures in 10 games, eight of which have come in the Big Ten season. **VanderHeyden** is also Minnesota's team leader with 30 steals.

VANDERHEYDEN MOVES UP — Cassie

VanderHeyden made five three-pointers against Iowa and four triples against Penn State, giving her 54 triples for the season. VanderHeyden jumped up to second on Minnesota's single-season three-point list and trails record holder Shannon Loeblein by nine three-pointers. The current list:

1.	Shannon Loeblein	63	1994-95
2.	Cassie VanderHeyden	54	1998-99
3.	Jodi Olson	48	1989-90
4.	Lea Blackwell	45	1988-89
5.	Stacey Carver	43	1992-93
	Sarah Schieber	43	1997-98

RING THE BELL — Kim Bell (Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn) blocked her 36th shot last Friday at Iowa. She is second in the Big Ten in blocked shots for overall games

(1.71 per game) and conference games (1.86 per game). She has blocked 36 shots in 208 minutes this season, which averages to a block every 5.6 minutes per game.

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench has been a source of strength this season, outscoring its opponents in 19 of 24 games. Last week, Minnesota's subs outscored the Iowa subs 12-7, but was outscored by Penn State's non-starters 24-19. For the season, Minnesota's bench has an advantage of 609-397, an 9.2 point-per-game surplus.

WHAT'S NEXT — Minnesota will play in the 1999 Big Ten Tournament at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis. The Gophers will play at either 6 p.m. (EST) or 8 p.m. (EST), depending on their seed in the tourney. All of Minnesota's games will be televised on AM 980 KKMS.

1999 Big Ten Tournament (RCA Dome, Indianapolis)

First Round — Friday, Feb. 26, 1999

- Game 1 — No. 9 seed vs. No. 8 seed, 4 p.m.
- Game 2 — No. 10 seed vs. No. 7 seed, 6 p.m.
- Game 3 — No. 11 seed vs. No. 6 seed, 8 p.m.

Quarterfinals — Saturday, Feb. 27, 1999

- Game 4 — No. 5 seed vs. No. 4 seed, 11 a.m.
- Game 5 — Game 1 winner vs. No. 1 seed, 1 p.m.
- Game 6 — Game 2 winner vs. No. 2 seed, 4:30 p.m.
- Game 7 — Game 3 winner vs. No. 3 seed, 25 min. after Game 6

Semifinals — Sunday, Feb. 28, 1999

- Game 8 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 1 p.m.
- Game 9 — Game 6 winner vs. Game 7 winner, 25 min. after Game 8

Final — Monday, March 1, 1999

- Game 10 — Game 8 winner vs. Game 9 winner, 7:30 p.m.

All Times Eastern Standard Time

All quarterfinals and semifinals to be broadcast on Fox Sports Chicago (MSC in the Twin Cities)

Final to be broadcast by ESPN2

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park (Minn.)
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-11	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
45	Ngozi Okechukwa	C	Fr.	6-3	Anambra, Nigeria/De La Salle (Minn.)
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach:

Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)

Assistant Coaches:

Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson

Coordinator of Basketball Operations:

Robin Hester

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 02/14/99
ALL GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - AVG										
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG																
21 Robinson, Sanja	24	22	814	33.9	109	261	.418	0	1	.000	35	49	.714	81	93	174	7.3	61	1	27	50	8	24	253	10.5	
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	24	4	478	19.9	75	213	.352	54	161	.335	28	36	.778	14	37	51	2.1	50	1	41	59	0	30	232	9.7	
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	24	14	471	19.6	62	153	.405	4	10	.400	50	83	.602	43	59	102	4.3	42	1	33	42	3	20	178	7.4	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	23	7	404	17.6	54	155	.348	11	32	.344	33	67	.493	30	60	90	3.9	69	3	14	39	5	20	152	6.6	
15 Tate, Jackie	24	8	603	25.1	54	128	.422	0	1	.000	43	52	.827	46	65	111	4.6	57	2	24	50	9	21	151	6.3	
04 Olson, Erin	24	20	764	31.8	50	150	.333	13	31	.419	33	44	.750	12	82	94	3.9	40	1	88	72	11	29	146	6.1	
05 Harris, Brandi	24	11	309	12.9	40	120	.333	24	59	.407	13	26	.500	23	27	50	2.1	48	2	15	52	0	17	117	4.9	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	19	5	250	13.2	28	88	.318	6	23	.261	18	31	.581	12	25	37	1.9	38	1	28	34	0	6	80	4.2	
54 Bell, Kim	21	8	208	9.9	19	55	.345	0	0	.000	7	13	.538	16	37	53	2.5	49	3	3	29	36	2	45	2.1	
12 Hansen, Mindy	24	4	242	10.1	20	56	.357	0	4	.000	5	10	.500	22	20	42	1.8	27	0	23	28	1	6	45	1.9	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	21	17	257	12.2	10	41	.244	1	5	.200	10	15	.667	18	14	32	1.5	26	0	24	23	0	16	31	1.5	
30 Pickens, Brandy	11	0	41	3.7	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	3	6	.500	1	10	11	1.0	8	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.3	
35 Schaffer, Erin	3	0	9	3.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	3	1	4	1.3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.3	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														50	56	106						12				

Minnesota	24	4850	521	1422	.366	113	327	.346	279	434	.643	371	586	957	39.9	515	15	320	490	73	192	1434	59.8
Opponents	24	4850	575	1395	.412	108	304	.355	392	579	.677	331	611	942	39.3	410		371	418	102	212	1650	68.8

SCORE BY HALVES (and OT's):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	783	849	18	0	0	0	1650
Minnesota	642	779	13	0	0	0	1434

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 02/14/99
CONFERENCE GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - AVG										
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG																
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	14	2	305	21.8	48	133	.361	36	102	.353	21	27	.778	11	23	34	2.4	33	0	26	40	0	17	153	10.9	
21 Robinson, Sanja	14	12	480	34.3	58	153	.379	0	1	.000	15	19	.789	42	54	96	6.9	34	0	20	33	2	12	131	9.4	
05 Harris, Brandi	14	11	227	16.2	34	90	.378	21	51	.412	12	23	.522	17	19	36	2.6	34	2	12	40	0	14	101	7.2	
15 Tate, Jackie	14	2	344	24.6	31	82	.378	0	1	.000	29	33	.879	23	29	52	3.7	33	2	12	27	5	13	91	6.5	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	13	3	206	15.8	31	78	.397	6	17	.353	15	32	.469	16	27	43	3.3	42	3	4	20	1	9	83	6.4	
33 LeCuyer, Theresa	14	6	229	16.4	25	70	.357	2	4	.500	20	34	.588	19	30	49	3.5	21	0	21	21	2	10	72	5.1	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	10	2	131	13.1	16	40	.400	5	9	.556	9	13	.692	6	13	19	1.9	17	0	20	19	0	2	46	4.6	
04 Olson, Erin	14	12	412	29.4	20	77	.260	4	15	.267	9	13	.692	4	36	40	2.9	21	0	54	40	6	14	53	3.8	
54 Bell, Kim	14	8	169	12.1	18	45	.400	0	0	.000	7	11	.636	13	28	41	2.9	44	3	3	20	26	2	43	3.1	
12 Hansen, Mindy	14	2	144	10.3	11	32	.344	0	2	.000	2	2	1.00	9	9	18	1.3	14	0	15	18	0	5	24	1.7	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	12	10	122	10.2	5	17	.294	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	9	7	16	1.3	12	0	6	8	0	8	10	0.8	
30 Pickens, Brandy	5	0	27	5.4	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	5	5	1.0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
35 Schaffer, Erin	2	0	4	2.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														37	35	72						6				

Minnesota	14	2800	297	817	.364	74	202	.366	139	209	.665	206	315	521	37.2	311	10	193	292	42	107	807	57.6
Opponents	14	2800	350	803	.436	75	196	.383	251	373	.673	199	348	547	39.1	221		234	231	59	135	1026	73.3

SCORE BY HALVES (and OT's):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	495	531	0	0	0	0	1026
Minnesota	380	427	0	0	0	0	807

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 02/14/99
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(7-17)	(2-7)	(4-9)	(1-1)
CONFERENCE.....	(2-12)	(0-6)	(2-6)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-5)	(2-1)	(2-3)	(1-1)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10)Tate, Jackie (10)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15)Bowden, Moneeke	(7)Tate, Jackie (7)LeCuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11)Olson, Erin (11)Taylor, Swantreca	(13)Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16)Robinson, Sonja (16)LeCuyer, Theresa	(8)Olson, Erin (8)Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja (9)LeCuyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16)Olson, Erin	(10)Robinson, Sonja
12/16/98	7 p.m.	at South Florida	68-64	W OT	110	(13)Olson, Erin (13)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Bowden, Moneeke
12/19/98	7 p.m.	at Stetson	62-57	W	242	(16)Tate, Jackie	(9)Tate, Jackie
12/28/98	7 p.m.	* at Wisconsin	59-70	L	8760	(21)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(11)Robinson, Sonja
12/30/98	7:30 p.m.	* at Purdue	52-73	L	9330	(13)Olson, Erin	(7)Tate, Jackie
1/3/99	2 p.m.	* PENN STATE	43-72	L	2081	(16)Harris, Brandi	(7)VanderHeyden, Cassie (7)Robinson, Sonja
1/5/99	7 p.m.	* IOWA	58-66	L	1446	(12)Harris, Brandi	(5)Robinson, Sonja (5)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/10/99	7 p.m.	* at Michigan	54-47	W	796	(17)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(12)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/15/99	7 p.m.	* at Northwestern	70-68	W	770	(15)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Olson, Erin (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/17/99	2 p.m.	* INDIANA	66-80	L	1937	(20)Harris, Brandi	(9)Harris, Brandi (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/22/99	7:30 p.m.	* at Michigan State	58-73	L	1213	(20)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
1/24/99	2 p.m.	* at Ohio State	42-68	L	9117	(10)Robinson, Sonja	(10)Bell, Kim
1/29/99	7 p.m.	* ILLINOIS	69-88	L	1228	(12)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
1/31/99	2 p.m.	* NORTHWESTERN	53-66	L	1372	(16)Bowden, Moneeke	(10)Robinson, Sonja
2/5/99	7 p.m.	* MICHIGAN	65-88	L	1410	(18)Blevins, Antoinetta	(5)Blevins, Antoinetta
2/12/99	7 p.m.	* at Iowa	62-79	L	3823	(24)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(6)LeCuyer, Theresa
2/14/99	2 p.m.	* at Penn State	56-88	L	7196	(17)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(5)LeCuyer, Theresa

* Big Ten ! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic @ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	11,958	1,329
AWAY.....	36,749	3,062
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	52,255	2,272

1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

- 9 Northwest Open unscored
16 at Badger Classic unscored
 (Madison, Wis.)
23 at Wis.-Stout 5th (48 points)
30 Minnesota Classic 1st (89 points)

February

- 5-6 at Iowa State Invitational unscored
 (Ames, Iowa)
13 Minnesota Open unscored
20-21 at Big Ten Championships
 (Ohio State)

March

- 5-6 at NCAA Championships
 (Indianapolis)
21-28 Spring Trip
 (Rice University)

Home meets in bold at the University
Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

- 2-3 at Texas Relays
 (Austin, Texas)
9-10 at SEA Ray Relays
 (Tennessee)
17 at UNI Invitational
 at St. Olaf Invitational
23-24 at Penn Relays
 (Philadelphia, Pa.)
24-25 at Drake Relays
 (Des Moines, Iowa)
25 at Macalaster Invitational
 (St. Paul, Minn.)

May

- 1 Heartland Classic 10 a.m.
8 Minnesota Open 10 a.m.
8 at North Carolina Invitational
15 Minnesota Qualifier 10 a.m.
21-23 at Big Ten Championships
 (Purdue)

June

- 2-5 at NCAA Championships
 (Boise State)

Home meets in bold at the Bierman Track
and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

at Big Ten Championships
Feb. 20-21
Columbus, Ohio

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MINNESOTA HEADS TO BIG TENS — The Golden Gophers travel to Columbus, Ohio, as The Ohio State University hosts the 1999 Big Ten Indoor Track and Field Championships, Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 20-21.

MINNESOTA ON THE BIG TEN LISTS — Minnesota athletes lead the Big Ten season top performance lists in three categories.

Junior **Christine Gulbrandsen** (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole) tops the lists for pole vault and triple jump. In the pole vault, she leads at 11 feet, 6 inches. Her previous mark of 11-1 3/4 was good for ninth in the nation. The national lists have not been updated with last week's results. **Gulbrandsen** leads the Big Ten triple jump list at a Minnesota record 41-10 3/4. She is also sixth in the Big Ten in the long jump list at 18-10 3/4.

Sophomore **Aubrey Schmitt** (Hastings, Minn./Hastings), the 1998 Big Ten outdoor shot put champion, tops the shot put list at 52-9 1/4. Her previous mark of 50-9 1/2 was sixth-best in the nation. **Schmitt** is also fourth in the Big Ten in the weight throw at a school record 58-8 1/2.

Three other Minnesota throwers rank in the top ten of the two lists. Sophomore **Brenda Meyer** (Watertown, Wis./Watertown) is sixth in the weight throw, with sophomore **Angie Hill** (Poplar Bluff, Mo./Poplar Bluff) eighth. Junior **Nicole Chimko** (Aldersyde, Alberta/Foothills Composite) is sixth in the shot put. **Chimko** won both the discus and the javelin at the 1998 Big Ten outdoor championships.

Senior **Yvette White** (Washington, D.C./Woodrow Wilson) is listed on four lists and junior **Neketa Sears** (Nassau, Bahamas/C.J. Gibson Secondary) is listed twice. **White** ranks 10th in the 600 meters with a time of 1 minute, 34.47 seconds and 11th in the 200 at 25.10. In the 60 hurdles, **White** ranks 10th and **Sears** 11th, while in the 400 meters, **White** is eighth and **Sears** 10th.

Sophomore **Corinne Nimitz** (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie) is in the top 10 in both the 3000 and 5000. She ranks fourth in the 5000 at 17:14.50 and eighth in the 3000 at 10:04.69.

LAST YEAR AT BIG TENS — The Golden Gophers placed seventh at the Big Ten indoor meet with 39 points. Michigan finished first at 133, followed by Wisconsin and Illinois. Minnesota's distance medley relay team placed second, while **Christine Gulbrandsen** placed fourth in her first career pentathlon. **Aubrey Schmitt** placed fourth and **Nicole Chimko** sixth in the shot put.

GULBRANDSEN SETS SCHOOL POLE VAULT MARK — Junior **Christine Gulbrandsen** (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole) broke her own record in the pole vault with a leap of 11-6, surpassing her previous mark of 11-1 3/4. With the mark, **Gulbrandsen** provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships. She has also provisionally qualified in the triple jump, with a school-record mark of 41-10 3/4 set on Jan. 30.

AUBREY'S ALSO PROVISIONAL — Sophomore **Aubrey Schmitt** won the shot put Saturday with a toss of 52-9 1/4, just off the school record of 52-10 set in 1991 by

Rachel Lewis. With the throw, **Schmitt** improved her NCAA provisional mark by almost two feet. She has also provisionally qualified in the weight throw with a school-record toss of 58-8 1/2.

OTHER RESULTS FROM THE MINNESOTA OPEN

— Junior **Rasa Michniovaite (Pabrade, Lithuania)**, a cross country All-American, won the 1000 meters in a time of 2:54.68, the fourth-best time in Minnesota history. Junior **Minna Haronoja (Illo, Finland/Vammala)** won the 1500 meters in 4:42.14, and newcomer **Jenny Moylan (Plymouth, Minn./Irondale)** won the 600 meters in 1:38.05.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — Head coach Gary Wilson is in his 14th season at Minnesota. Wilson guided the Golden Gophers to the NCAA Cross Country Championships for the second consecutive year in 1998. The cross country team also finished third at both the Big Ten meet and the NCAA regional meet for the second consecutive year. Along the way, junior **Rasa Michniovaite** won the individual title at the regional meet and earned All-America honors by placing 16th. Wilson also coached the Minnesota track and field team to top-25 finishes at the NCAA outdoor championships in 1990, 1991, 1995 and 1996.

ASSISTANT COACH LYNNE ANDERSON — Lynne Anderson is in her 19th season at Minnesota. Anderson is one of the most successful throws coaches in the country, having coached 16 women All-Americans and 17 Big Ten champions. Last season, two Minnesota athletes won three conference titles, with **Nicole Chimko** winning the discus and javelin and **Aubrey Schmitt** winning the outdoor shot put. Anderson also coaches the men's throwers at Minnesota.

ASSISTANT COACH SIDNEY CARTWRIGHT — Sidney Cartwright is in his first year as an assistant coach at the University of Minnesota. He coaches the jumpers, sprinters and hurdlers. Cartwright joined the Minnesota track and field coaching staff after two years as an assistant coach at the University of Arkansas-Little Rock. He was a sprints, jumps and relays coach for the Bahamas Olympic Team at the 1996 Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta.

UP NEXT — The NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships will be held March 5-6 in Indianapolis.

Minnesota's NCAA Provisional Qualifiers —

• Triple Jump	41-10 3/4	Christine Gulbrandsen	Minnesota Classic, 1/30
• Shot Put	52-9 1/2	Aubrey Schmitt	Minnesota Open, 2/13
• Weight Throw	58-8 1/2	Aubrey Schmitt	Minnesota Classic, 1/30
• Pole Vault	11-6	Christine Gulbrandsen	Minnesota Open, 2/13

New University of Minnesota Indoor Track and Field Records in 1999 —

• 60 meters	7.74	Kim Heath	Northwest Open, 1/9
• 400 meters	56.52	Yvette White	Iowa State Classic, 2/7
• 60 hurdles	8.72	Yvette White	Badger Track Classic, 1/16
• Triple Jump	41-10 3/4	Christine Gulbrandsen	Minnesota Classic, 1/30
• Pole Vault	11-6	Christine Gulbrandsen	Minnesota Open, 2/13
• Weight Throw	58-8 1/2	Aubrey Schmitt	Minnesota Classic, 1/30

1999 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

60 Meters

1. Kim Heath (a)	7.74*
2. Yvette White (f)	7.91
3. Pattie Galle (a)	8.21

200 meters

1. Yvette White (f)	25.10
2. Pattie Galle (f)	25.84
3. Jaime Hamilton (f)	28.00

400 meters

1. Yvette White (e)	56.52*
2. Neketa Sears (d)	56.98
3. Pattie Galle (a)	60.99

600 meters

1. Yvette White (b)	1:34.47
2. Jenny Moylan (f)	1:38.05
3. Neketa Sears (b)	1:38.93

800 meters

1. Jenny Moylan (e)	2:15.88
2. Gena Johnson (c)	2:17.77
3. Neketa Sears (a)	2:28.45

1000 meters

1. Rasa Michniovaite (f)	2:54.68
2. Rachel Domenichetti (f)	3:06.54
3. Christine Harper (f)	3:06.67

Mile

1. Victoria Moses (e)	4:59.81
2. Elaine Eggleston (e)	5:01.76
3. Gena Johnson (e)	5:05.55

1500 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (f)	4:42.14
2. Deb Hudleston (f)	4:51.86
3. Kristine Hartmark (f)	5:01.28

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (b)	10:00.18
2. Corinne Nimtz (b)	10:04.69
3. Elaine Eggleston (d)	10:08.40

5000 meters

1. Corinne Nimtz (e)	17:17.50
2. Victoria Moses (d)	17:31.50
3. Nikki Rassbach (c)	19:31.90

60 meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	8.72*
2. Neketa Sears (a)	8.79
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	9.48

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Smith, Sears (b)	3:52.58
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Long Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	18-10 3/4 (5.76)
2. Stacie Blaskowski (d)	15-9 (4.80)
3. Anna Chalin (e)	13-8 1/4 (4.17)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	41-10 3/4 (12.77)*#
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Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (f)	52-9 1/4 (16.00)*#
2. Nicole Chimko (e)	47-8 1/2 (14.50)
3. Jenney Luer (b)	41-1 3/4 (12.54)

Weight Throw

1. Aubrey Schmitt (d)	58-8 1/2 (17.89)*#
2. Brenda Meyer (f)	53-0 1/4 (16.16)
3. Angie Hill (e)	52-6 (16.00)

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (f)	11-6 (3.51)*#
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	10-2 (3.10)

* School Record

NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, Wis.)

(c) Wisconsin-Stout Invitational (Menomonie, Wis.)

(d) Minnesota Classic (Minneapolis)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)

(f) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis)



1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule

Overall: 3-2 Big Ten: 0-0

FEBRUARY

12	Western Illinois	W, 8-7
12	Kansas	L, 7-0
13	Northern Illinois	W, 8-0 (5)
13	Missouri	W, 2-1
14	Missouri	L, 4-3
18	North Carolina (2)	2 p.m.
19-21	Triangle Classic (Raleigh, N.C.)	
19	Campbell	10 a.m.
19	Virginia	4 p.m.
20	Akron	9 a.m.
20	N.C.-Wilmington	1 p.m.
20-21	Bracket Play	TBA
26-28	Troy Cox Invitational (Las Cruces, N.M.)	

MARCH

5-7	Aggie II Invitational (College Station, Tex.)	
22	at Florida State (2)	5:30 p.m.
24	at Bethune-Cook. (2)	3 p.m.
26	at South Florida (2)	5 p.m.
31	MSU, Mankato (2) (Rice Street Dome)	2 p.m.

APRIL

3	at Purdue (2)	1 p.m.
4	at Purdue	1 p.m.
7	Drake (2)	3 p.m.
10	at Michigan (2)	1 p.m.
11	at Michigan	1 p.m.
13	at Iowa State (2)	3 p.m.
15	Northern Iowa (2)	3 p.m.
17	Penn State (2)	1 p.m.
18	Penn State	Noon
21	at Wisconsin (2)	1 p.m.
24	Indiana (2)	1 p.m.
25	Indiana	Noon
28	at Northwestern (2)	2 p.m.

MAY

1	at Michigan State (2)	1 p.m.
2	at Michigan State	Noon
5	Iowa (2)	2 p.m.
8	Ohio State (2)	1 p.m.
9	Ohio State	Noon
14-15	Big Ten Tournament	TBA
20-23	NCAA Regionals	TBA
27-31	NCAA Women's College World Series (Oklahoma City)	

* Big Ten games
Home games in bold at Bierman Softball Stadium, unless otherwise indicated.
Game times local to site.

Minnesota Softball 1999

at North Carolina (DH), Feb. 18, 2 p.m. (EST)
at Triangle Classic, Feb. 19-21
Raleigh, N.C.

Current National Ranking: No. 22

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The University of Minnesota softball team, ranked 22nd in the USA Today/NFCA preseason poll, continues its 1999 season with a road trip to the state of North Carolina. Minnesota will play at North Carolina in a non-conference doubleheader Thursday, followed by a return appearance in the Triangle Classic at Raleigh, N.C. The Gophers are the defending champions of the Triangle Classic, defeating Illinois-Chicago by forfeit in last year's final.

TRIANGLE CLASSIC FORMAT — The 26 teams are split into five pools. Minnesota will play the other four teams in its pool and will qualify for the single-elimination championship bracket if it finishes in the top three teams in its pool. The first round of the bracket will be played Saturday night, with the quarterfinals, semifinals and final taking place Sunday.

TRIANGLE CLASSIC SCHEDULE (All times Eastern)

Feb. 19	Minnesota vs. Campbell	10 a.m.
	Minnesota vs. Virginia	4 p.m.
Feb. 20	Minnesota vs. Akron	9 a.m.
	Minnesota vs. N.C.-Wilmington	1 p.m.
	First Round	7 p.m.
Feb. 21	Quarterfinal	9 a.m.
	Semifinal	11 a.m.
	Championship	2 p.m.

THE CO-HEAD COACHES — Minnesota co-head coach **Lisa Bernstein** enters her eighth season at the school. Her overall record is 243-184-1 (.569). In the last three-plus seasons, Minnesota has won 69 percent of its games and qualified for two NCAA tournaments.

Minnesota co-head coach **Julie Standering** was elevated to her current position Jan. 22, and has a Minnesota career record of 3-2 (.600). Standering was an assistant coach at Minnesota from 1992-96 and has been the associate head coach of the Gophers for the past two seasons.

THE OPPONENTS — **North Carolina** opens its 1999 season with the doubleheader against Minnesota. The Tar Heels were 32-21 last season, including a 6-2 ACC record. Sophomore Radara McHugh (16-8, 1.37 ERA in 1998) was North Carolina's top pitcher in 1998, but All-American Brandy Arthur was lost to graduation.

Campbell is the only pool opponent Minnesota faces that will have game experience before the Triangle Classic, as the Camels will host UNC-Greensboro in a non-conference doubleheader on Tuesday. The Camels were 29-23-1 in 1998. Campbell's top returning pitcher is sophomore Jenn Bernard (12-8, 1.61 ERA). Junior outfielder Lea Younker was a first team all-TAAC selection in 1998 after hitting .320.

Virginia won 38 games in 1998, the second-most victories in school history. Senior shortstop Lori Reese batted .311 with 24 runs scored and 25 runs batted in last season. Junior pitchers Stacey Zagol (19-15, 1.55 ERA) and Christina Quinn (15-8, 1.68 ERA) both return to the Cavalier lineup.

Akron was 35-18 in 1998, winning the regular season title in the Mid-American Conference with a 23-5 record. Senior catcher Kelli Metzger is the only player active in Division I softball with more home runs than Gopher shortstop Shannon Beeler (Shelton, Wash./Shelton). Metzger hit 13 home runs in 1998 and has 38 in her three-year career, compared to Beeler's 31 home runs.

North Carolina-Wilmington finished 1998 with a 22-33 record, including a 7-9 record in the Big South Conference, good for sixth place. The Seahawks return their leading player in senior pitcher Keri Malcolmson. The left-hander was UNC-Wilmington's leading hitter (.336 BA) and leading pitcher (16-13, 1.80) in 1998.

METRODOME REVIEW — Minnesota went 3-2 in this year's edition of the Metrodome Softball Classic, going 3-1 in round-robin pool play before losing in the semifinals. Shannon Beeler, Heather Brown (Farmington, N.M./Farmington), and Jordanne Nygren (Farmington, N.M./Farmington) were named to the all-tournament team.

Pool Play Standings

Kansas	3-1
Minnesota	3-1
Missouri	2-2
Western Illinois	2-2
Northern Illinois	0-4

Championship Bracket

Northern Illinois 2, Western Illinois 0
Missouri 4, Minnesota 3
Kansas 4, Northern Illinois 1
Kansas 2, Missouri 0

Game 1: Minnesota 8, Western Illinois 7 — Jordanne Nygren hit two home runs in her first two collegiate at bats and Shannon Beeler hit a grand slam to help the Gophers build a 7-0 lead through two innings. Minnesota withstood a furious rally from the Westerwinds to win its opening game for the second straight season. The Gophers received two hits each from Nygren, Steph Midthun (Rio Rancho, N.M./Cibola), Michelle Bennett (Hermantown, Minn./Hermantown) and Lara Severson (LeSueur, Minn./LeSueur).

Game 2: Kansas 7, Minnesota 0 — The Gophers were shut out on four hits by Jayhawk pitcher Sarah Workman,

who ended the tournament as the most valuable player.

Steph Klaviter (New Ulm, Minn./Cathedral) took the loss after saving the first game for Minnesota.

Game 3: Minnesota 8, Northern Illinois 0 — Minnesota scored eight runs in the first four innings and won the game with the eight-run rule after 4 1/2 innings. Nygren hit her third home run of the tournament, and Beeler had two doubles, a single, two runs scored and four runs batted in. Heather Brown pitched a two-hit shutout, striking out eight batters.

Game 4: Minnesota 2, Missouri 1 — The Gophers defeated Missouri to clinch second place in the pool standings. Nygren hit her fourth home run of the tournament in the second inning, and Bennett singled home a run in the sixth inning. Klaviter won her first game of the season, scattering five hits in seven innings.

Game 5: Missouri 4, Minnesota 3 — Missouri avenged its pool play loss to Minnesota by eliminating the Gophers in the semifinals. The Gophers took a 3-2 lead in the third inning on Nygren's fifth home run of the tournament, a three-run shot. Missouri rallied with two runs in the fifth inning to retake the lead. Minnesota loaded the bases with one out in the seventh inning, but failed to score. Midthun had three hits and a run scored for Minnesota.

THE RECORD BOOK — Minnesota shortstop Shannon Beeler has shattered many of the records in the Gopher record book, both single season and career. No Gopher has hit more home runs than Beeler, and no Gopher has driven in more runs than Beeler, either in a single season or a career. Since that measure of comparison is gone, Beeler must now be compared to the greatest players in Big Ten and NCAA history. Entering the 1999 season, Beeler is the active leader among Division I players in runs batted in. She begins the season tied for 18th in NCAA Division I history with 181 runs batted in. She also is within two home runs of 20th place on the NCAA Division I home run list. The data:

THE NATURAL — Playing second base in her first collegiate softball games of her career, first-year athlete Jordanne Nygren acted like she had played the game of collegiate softball her entire life. The first at bat of her college career saw the ball fly off of Nygren's bat for a home run. The second at bat produced the same result. It is the first time in Minnesota softball history that a player has homered in the first two at bats of her career, and it is likely that it has rarely happened in the sport's history. Nygren hit five home runs in the weekend's five games, which places her in a tie for sixth place on Minnesota's single-season list and tied for eighth place on Minnesota's all-time career list. Not bad for the opening weekend of your college career.

**NCAA DIVISION I CAREER LEADERS
HOME RUNS**

1. Leah Braatz, Arizona	85
18. Beth Calcante, CS-Northridge	33
Marcelina Smith, Florida A&M	33
20. Sara Frestrom, Colorado State	32
21. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota	31

RUNS BATTED IN

1. Jenny Dalton, Arizona	328
10. Mary Babb, Missouri	199
Dana Fulmer, South Carolina	199
12. Leah O'Brien, Arizona	194
Sherry Johnson, Coastal Carolina	194
14. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota	189

Minnesota pitcher **Steph Klaviter** is within striking distance of some history of her own. The right-hander is five victories away from becoming the winningest pitcher in Gopher history. The Minnesota victory list:

1. Brenda Bixby	1988-92	67
2. Steph Klaviter	1996-C	62

KLAVITER TO PARTICIPATE IN USA SOFTBALL NATIONAL TEAM FESTIVAL — **Steph Klaviter** has been chosen to participate in the 1999 Coca-Cola USA Softball Women's National Team Festival from June 8-14 in Fresno, Calif. **Klaviter** will be one of 60 players in the Festival. Ten players in the group have been chosen to participate as a member of the United States team at the 1999 Pan American Games. **Klaviter** will compete for one of the five remaining positions.

PRESEASON POLL — The Gophers are ranked 22nd in the USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association preseason poll. Minnesota finished 16th in the final poll of last season.

WHAT'S NEXT — The Gophers will travel to Las Cruces, N.M., to participate in the Troy Cox Invitational from Feb. 26-28. Minnesota has five natives of New Mexico who will be returning to participate in the tournament.

1999 Minnesota Softball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Yr.	Hometown/High School
1	Morgan Holden *	OF/IF	R/R	So.	Los Lunas, N.M. (La Cueva)
2	Steph Midthun ***	OF	L/R	Sr.	Rio Rancho, N.M. (Cibola)
3	Dana Ballard **	1B	R/R	Jr.	Oak Park, Ill. (Fenwick)
4	Tammi Hays	OF	S/R	Fr.	Hastings, Minn. (Hastings)
5	Shannon Beeler ***	SS	R/R	Sr.	Shelton, Wash. (Shelton)
6	Amy Hafemeyer *	OF	L/R	So.	Kenyon, Minn. (Faribault)
7	Steph Klaviter ***	P	R/R	Sr.	New Ulm, Minn. (Cathedral)
8	Rayny Camacho *	P	R/R	So.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
9	Christine Lindberg	IF	R/R	Fr.	Barrington, Ill. (Barrington)
10	Katie Orth	IF/OF	R/R	Fr.	Rochester, Minn. (Mayo)
12	Heather Brown	P	R/R	Fr.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
14	Jordanne Nygren	IF	R/R	Fr.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
15	Angel Braden *	IF	R/R	So.	Chino, Calif. (St. Lucy's)
16	Lara Severson **	C	R/R	Sr.	LeSueur, Minn. (LeSueur)
17	Michelle Harrison	P	L/L	Jr.	Anaheim, Calif. (Orange Luth./Southwest Texas)
19	Erin Brophy *	C	R/R	Sr.	Crystal, Minn. (Robbinsdale)
21	Erin Mooney *	UT	R/R	So.	Vancouver, Wash. (Jesuit)
22	Ninette Mohns	UT	R/R	Fr.	Oconomowoc, Wis. (Oconomowoc)
23	Meghan Smith	C	R/R	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn. (Eden Prairie)
24	Michelle Bennett **	IF/OF	R/R	Jr.	Hermantown, Minn. (Hermantown)
30	Abby Stehula	UT	R/R	Fr.	Appleton, Wis. (Appleton East)

Co-Head Coaches: Lisa Bernstein, Julie Standerling
Assistant Coach: Jen Bauer

1999 METRODOME SOFTBALL CLASSIC
Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Feb 14, 1999)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 3-2-0 Home 0-0-0 Away: 0-0-0 Neutral: 3-2-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Steph Midthun.....	.412	5-5	17	4	7	0	0	0	0	7	.412	0	0	2	0	.412	0	0	1-1	3	0	1	.750
Jordanne Nygren.....	.400	5-5	15	5	6	0	0	5	10	21	1.400	2	0	5	0	.471	0	0	0-0	14	2	1	.941
Shannon Beeler.....	.375	5-5	16	4	6	3	0	1	8	12	.750	1	0	1	0	.412	0	0	1-1	7	12	1	.950
Michelle Bennett....	.375	5-5	16	1	6	1	0	0	1	7	.438	1	0	3	0	.412	0	0	0-0	28	3	2	.939
Tammi Hays.....	.308	5-5	13	5	4	0	0	0	0	4	.308	2	0	3	0	.400	0	2	2-2	6	0	0	1.000
Meghan Smith.....	.214	5-5	14	0	3	1	0	0	0	4	.286	0	0	8	0	.214	0	1	0-0	32	3	2	.946
Morgan Holden.....	.143	5-5	14	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	.143	1	0	5	0	.200	0	0	0-0	5	1	1	.857
--- Others ---																							
Christine Lindberg..	.333	4-3	9	1	3	1	0	0	0	4	.444	0	0	0	0	.333	0	1	2-2	0	9	2	.818
Lara Severson.....	.222	4-4	9	1	2	0	0	0	1	2	.222	1	0	3	0	.300	0	0	0-1	0	0	0	.000
Katie Orth.....	.125	3-3	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.125	1	0	1	1	.222	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
Ninette Mohns.....	.000	4-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.305	5-5	131	21	40	6	0	6	20	64	.489	9	0	31	1	.350	0	4	6-7	99	35	10	.931
Opponents.....	.292	5-5	130	19	38	6	2	3	15	57	.438	16	0	29	0	.370	0	5	5-6	96	35	4	.970

LOB - Team (27), Opp (33). DP's turned - Team (4), Opp (2). IBB - Team (1), Nygren 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Heather Brown.....	0.00	2-0	3	2	1	1/0	0	11.2	8	3	0	5	14	0	0	1	46	.200	1	0	0	0	1
Steph Klaviter.....	2.68	1-2	4	3	1	0/0	1	15.2	21	10	6	3	11	4	2	1	71	.323	3	0	0	0	3
Michelle Harrison...	3.94	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	5.1	7	3	3	5	4	2	0	0	28	.304	1	0	0	0	0
--- Others ---																							
Rayny Camacho.....	63.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	0.1	2	3	3	3	0	0	0	1	6	1.000	0	0	0	0	1
Totals.....	2.55	3-2	5	5	2	1/0	1	33.0	38	19	12	16	29	6	2	3	151	.292	5	0	0	0	5
Opponents.....	4.38	2-3	5	5	4	1/0	0	32.0	40	21	20	9	31	6	0	6	144	.305	2	0	0	0	4

PB - Team (3), Smith 3. SB/SBA - Smith (5-6), Harrison (3-3), Klaviter (2-2), Brown (0-1).

1999 Minnesota Gymnastics

January

2	Intrasquad	
9	Best of Minnesota	
	Minnesota	192.400
	Winona State	178.750
	Hamline	138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus	137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W, 193.550-193.050
23	#2 Utah	L, 194.600-194.175
30	#1 Alabama	L, 196.025-194.650

February

6	#12 Iowa State	W, 193.375-191.075
13	Iowa	7 p.m.
20	at West Virginia, vs. North Carolina State	8 p.m.
27	at Illinois	7 p.m.

March

5	at Iowa	7 p.m.
7	at Iowa State	4 p.m.
12	West Virginia	7 p.m.
21	Denver	2 p.m.
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)	

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)

All home meets in bold are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics



at West Virginia with North Carolina State
Saturday, Feb. 20

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GOLDEN GOPHERS HEAD TO WEST VIRGINIA — Minnesota travels to Morgantown, W.V., for a meet against West Virginia and North Carolina State.

MINNESOTA RANKED NO. 8 — The Golden Gophers were ranked No. 8 after the fifth week of competition with a season average of 193.630. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten Conference schools ranked this week. The others are Michigan (No. 5), Penn State (No. 6) and Ohio State (No. 18). The next ranking will be released Wednesday.

1999 GOLDEN GOPHER ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Hometown/H.S./Club
Megan Beuckens	Fr.	Brandon, S.D./Brandon Valley/All American
Judy Cavazos	Jr.	Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste/Elite Gym
Melissa Chang	Jr.	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs
Catie Christensen	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington/Buckeye
MaryAnne Kelley	Fr.	Barrington, Ill./Fremd/All American Academy
Cathy Keyser	Sr.	Plymouth, Minn./Australian Inst. of Sport Twisters
Shanyn Lancaster	So.	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser/Oakland Gymnastics
Jenny Mazzone	Sr.	Sparks, Nev./McQueen/Gymnastics Nevada
Courtney Norman	Fr.	Minneapolis, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall
Cami Phillippi	Jr.	Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area
Mariam Pourshoushtari	Fr.	Rockville, Md./Walter Johnson/Hill's Gymnastics
Kristi Selinger	Jr.	Aurora, Colo./Gateway
Megan Skokut	So.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel/Indy School of Gymnastics
Megan Smith	Fr.	Fargo, N.D./Fargo/American Gold

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — Junior **Judy Cavazos** won the all around title and two individual events to lead the No. 8 Golden Gophers to a 194.275-187.725 victory over Iowa at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota swept the top four places in all four individual events.

Cavazos won the uneven bars with a score of 9.90, which tied her season high. She tied for first on the floor exercise with a 9.825 and the all around title at 38.75.

Newcomer **MaryAnne Kelley** and sophomore **Shanyn Lancaster** tied for the vault title at 9.70. Senior **Cathy Keyser**, the 1998 Big Ten balance beam champion, won the beam at 9.775. Newcomer **Catie Christensen** tied **Cavazos** for the floor exercise title at 9.825.

ABOUT WEST VIRGINIA — The No. 12 Mountaineers are the three-time defending East Atlantic Gymnastics League champion and return league event champions Nikki West (vault, tie for floor exercise) and Shirley Lee (tie for floor exercise). West has a 1999 season average of 9.833 on the vault, which ranks 12th in the nation. She has recorded three 10.0 scores on the vault in her career and has a season best of 9.925.

Rebecca Slobig is ranked twice, tied for 19th on the uneven bars at 9.812 and 25th on the balance beam at 9.758. Kelly Foley is tied for 21st on the uneven bars at 9.808.

Head coach Linda Burdette is in her 25th year at the school. The 1996 and 1998 EAGL Coach of the Year, Burdette has coached 36 conference champions and three All-Americans.

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This is the first of two regular-season meetings between the Golden Gophers and the Mountaineers, as Minnesota will host West Virginia on Friday, March 12.

ABOUT NORTH CAROLINA STATE — The Wolfpack is not ranked among the top 25 teams nationally for total team score but is listed eighth on the balance beam with a season average of 48.294. Amy Lagendorf leads the team with a season average of 9.825 on the uneven bars, which is good for a tie for 15th in the nation.

Head coach Mark Stevenson is in his 19th season at North Carolina State and is a two-time Southeast Region Coach of the Year.

CAVAZOS STRONG ON BARS AND FLOOR — Junior **Judy Cavazos** has scored 9.80 or higher in all six meets this season, including a season-high 9.90 against Iowa and in the Best of Minnesota meet. **Cavazos** won the bars against Iowa Saturday for her fourth win or tie this season. She has a season average of 9.854 and a career best of 9.95, a Minnesota record.

On the floor exercise, **Cavazos** has also scored 9.80 or higher six times, with a season-high 9.850 at Alabama. She has a season average of 9.833 and a share of the school record at 9.95.

NEW TO THE TOP TEN LISTS — Newcomer **MaryAnne Kelley** has entered the top 10 performers list for the all around, ranked fourth at 38.850. **Frosh Catie Christensen** is tied for sixth on both the uneven bars and the floor exercise at 9.85.

Minnesota has also entered four of the five top 10 team scores lists. The Golden Gophers scored the eighth-highest team total of 194.650 at Alabama. Also at that meet, Minnesota posted a 48.600 on the vault (tied for ninth) and a 48.825 on uneven bars (eighth). The Gophers scored the seventh-best uneven bars mark of 48.950 against Iowa. Against Utah, the Gophers scored 48.650 on the balance beam, good for a tie for 10th place.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson are in their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 24-9 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. Stephenson has a career record of 97-92, with a record of 73-83 in his first five years at Minnesota. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson is in her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Meg Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

THE MOST RECENT RANKING —

1. Alabama	195.900
2. Georgia	195.720
3. Utah	195.331
4. LSU	194.792
5. Michigan	193.995
6. Penn State	193.765
7. Stanford	193.640
8. Minnesota	193.630
9. Arizona State	193.319
10. Nebraska	193.219
11. UCLA	193.167
12. West Virginia	192.942
13. Florida	192.942
14. Oklahoma	192.921
15. Oregon State	192.860
16. Denver	192.620
17. Iowa State	192.406
18. Ohio State	192.385
19. Utah State	192.367
20. Brigham Young	192.117
21. Central Michigan	192.087
22. Illinois-Chicago	192.055
23. Washington	192.045
24. Kentucky	192.006
25. Missouri	191.890

OTHER TEAM RANKINGS —

Event	Rank	Average Score
Vault	24	48.600
Uneven bars	11	48.380
Balance beam	6	48.335
Floor exercise	5	48.775

INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS —

Vault	NA		
Uneven bars	8	Judy Cavazos	9.845
Balance beam	NA		
Floor exercise	11	Judy Cavazos	9.835
All Around	NA		

UP NEXT — The Golden Gophers are on the road for three matches. Minnesota returns home to face West Virginia on Friday, March 12, in the Sports Pavilion.

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 6-2 Dual: 3-2 Home: 5-1 Away: 1-1 Big Ten: 2-0 Top 25: 2-2

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of MN	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #5 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 vs. #2 Utah	194.175	194.600	48.200	48.475	48.725	48.725	48.650	49.050	48.600	48.350
1/30 at #1 Alabama	194.650	196.025	48.600	48.750	48.825	49.550	48.350	48.375	48.875	49.350
2/6 vs. #12 Iowa State	193.375	191.075	48.275	48.300	48.275	48.450	48.175	46.250	48.650	48.075
2/13 vs. Iowa	194.275	187.725	48.325	47.450	48.950	46.075	48.175	46.175	48.825	48.025
2/20 at West Virginia										
2/27 at Illinois										
3/5 at Iowa										
3/7 at Iowa State										
3/12 vs. West Virginia										
3/21 vs. Denver										
3/27 Big Ten Championships										

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT

VAULT	9.750	Shanyn Lancaster	vs. #12 Iowa State, 2/6
		Judy Cavazos	at #1 Alabama, 1/30
		Shanyn Lancaster	at #1 Alabama, 1/30
UNEVEN BARS	9.900	Judy Cavazos	vs. Iowa, 2/13
		Judy Cavazos	vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
BALANCE BEAM	9.875	Cathy Keyser	vs. #12 Iowa State, 2/6
FLOOR EXERCISE	9.875	Judy Cavazos	vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
ALL-AROUND	39.000	Judy Cavazos	at #5 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM VAULT	48.600		at #1 Alabama, 1/30
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	48.950		vs. Iowa, 2/13
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	48.650		vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	48.950		vs. Best of Minnesota, 1/9
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	194.650		at #1 Alabama, 1/30



University of Minnesota
Women's Athletics

1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 4-3

Big Ten: 0-0

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan
(at Milwaukee, Wis.) W, 5-2
31 at #35 Marquette L, 5-4

FEBRUARY

7 Illinois-Chicago W, 5-2
12 at Syracuse W, 6-1
13 vs. #41 Maryland (at Syracuse) L, 6-3
20 Illinois 5 p.m.
27 Indiana 5 p.m.
28 Purdue 10 a.m.

MARCH

5 at Iowa State 3 p.m.
6 at Drake 10 a.m.
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home games in caps and bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

Minnesota hosts Illinois
Saturday, Feb. 20
Northwest Athletic Club in Bloomington

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GOPHERS HOST ILLINOIS IN BIG TEN OPENER — Minnesota opens its Big Ten Conference regular season schedule Saturday by hosting Illinois at 5 p.m. at the Northwest Athletic Club in Bloomington. The Golden Gophers are 4-3 on the season, while Illinois is 1-4.

ABOUT ILLINOIS — Illinois is 0-2 in the Big Ten after a 6-1 loss at Iowa on Saturday and a 4-3 loss at Wisconsin on Sunday. Illinois has won one of its three non-conference matches, with the win coming at home against Middle Tennessee. Simone Kung has the best overall singles percentage with a 19-11 record and is 1-4 in the spring season, all at the No. 1 position. Brooke Ferney is 3-2 in doubles play. Ferney and Carla Rosenberg are 3-1 at the No. 1 doubles position.

MINNESOTA SPLITS AT SYRACUSE — Minnesota defeated Syracuse, 6-1, on Friday but fell to No. 41 Maryland, 6-3, on Saturday. Both matches were played in Syracuse, N.Y.

Against Syracuse, the Golden Gophers started the match by sweeping the three doubles matches to earn the doubles point. Minnesota hen won five of six singles matches, led by junior **Nora Sauska's (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** win at No. 2 singles over Miki Kanemitsu, 6-2, 6-1. Seniors **Tarah Elkins (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm)** and **Jana Hrdinova (Prague, Czech Republic/Stoughton, Wis.)** also won their matches in straight sets.

Minnesota and Maryland split in singles matches, with each team winning three, but Maryland won all three doubles matches.

Senior **Sitinee Rangsithienchai (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor)** and newcomer **Jen Howard (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea)** won both of their matches over the weekend.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — Martin Novak is in his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gophers. Novak has compiled a record of 85-97. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten.

UP NEXT — Minnesota continues its Big Ten homestand by hosting Indiana on Saturday, Feb. 27, and Purdue on Sunday, Feb. 28.

1998-99 University of Minnesota Women's Tennis

Overall: 4-3

Big Ten: 0-0

Home: 2-1

Away: 1-1

Neutral: 1-1

Date	Opponent	Location	W/L	Score	Record
1/22	#15 Pepperdine	Home	L	5-2	0-1
1/23	DePaul	Home	W	6-1	1-1
1/30	Western Michigan	Milwaukee	W	7-2	2-1
1/31	#35 Marquette	Away	L	5-4	2-2
2/7	Illinois-Chicago	Home	W	5-2	3-2
2/12	Syracuse	Away	W	6-1	4-2
2/13	Maryland	Syracuse	L	6-3	4-3
2/20	Illinois*	Home			
2/27	Indiana*	Home			
2/28	Purdue*	Home			
3/5	Iowa State	Away			
3/6	Drake	Away			
3/25	Texas Christian	Away			
4/4	Northwestern*	Home			
4/10	Iowa*	Away			
4/11	Wisconsin*	Away			
4/16	Michigan*	Home			
4/18	Michigan State*	Home			
4/23	Ohio State*	Away			
4/25	Penn State*	Away			
4/29-30	Big Ten Championship	Michigan State			

*Big Ten Conference

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Spring	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang							4-0		4-0	1.000
Tarah Elkins				1-1	1-0	3-1	3-2	5-2	8-4	.667
Nora Sauska	0-1	3-1	2-0				8-5	5-2	13-7	.650
S. Rangsinhienchai	1-1		4-1				11-7	5-2	16-9	.640
Kim Simonsen	2-2	2-1					6-3	4-3	10-6	.625
Jen Howard				0-1	5-1		3-3	5-2	8-5	.615
Andrea Rose						1-0	2-3	1-0	3-3	.500
Jana Hrdinova				1-3		1-1	3-3	2-4	5-7	.427
Totals	3-4	5-2	6-1	2-5	6-1	5-2	40-26	27-15	67-41	.620

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Spring	Total	Pct.
Sauska/Howard		0-1	5-1	7-1	5-2	12-3	.800
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1		2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1		1-1	.500
Elkins/Rangsinhienchai		3-3	1-0	1-2	4-3	5-5	.500
Hrdinova/Simonsen	3-4			3-3	3-4	6-7	.462
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2		1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsinhienchai				0-1		0-1	.000
Totals	3-4	3-4	6-1	15-11	12-9	27-20	.574

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The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
(all times central)**

Friday, March 5

SB vs. Butler noon
vs. Texas A&M 6:45 p.m.
(College Station, Texas)
GY at Iowa 7 p.m.
TN at Iowa State 3 p.m.

Saturday, March 6

SB vs. Butler 4:30 p.m.
vs. Texas A&M 6:45 p.m.
T/F at NCAA Indoor Championships
(Indianapolis, Ind.)
TN at Drake 10 a.m.

Sunday, March 7

HC hosts Midwest Showdown
(vs. Bemidji State or St. Cloud
State) 1:05 p.m.
SB vs. Dayton 9 a.m.
vs. Dayton 11:15 a.m.
GY at Iowa State 4 p.m.

Monday, March 8

GF at Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational
(Winter Springs, Fla.)

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What's Coming Up

Hockey

- #3 Minnesota competes in the Midwest Showdown

Tennis

- Golden Gophers travel to Iowa State and Drake

Track & Field

- Christine Gulbrandsen and Aubrey Schmitt to compete in the NCAA Indoor Championships

Gymnastics

- #10 Minnesota competes at Iowa and #17 Iowa State

Softball

- #22 Minnesota travels to the Texas A&M Aggie Invitational

Golf

- Gophers travel to Florida for the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational

Gopher Highlights

Basketball

- Theresa LeCuyer scores a career-high 22 points against Michigan

Hockey

- Gophers finish the regular season with an impressive 25-3-3 record

Softball

- Minnesota ties a school record with 12 consecutive wins

Tennis

- Gophers stay unbeaten in conference play with home victories against #37 Indiana and #41 Purdue

Gymnastics

- Gophers score a season-high 194.9 against Illinois
- Minnesota sets season-highs on the vault, uneven bars and floor exercise

Golf

- Minnesota wins the Midwest Classic
- Michelle Ballou takes second place in the tournament



University of Minnesota
Women's Athletics

1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 7-3 Big Ten: 3-0

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan W, 5-2
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 at #35 Marquette L, 5-4

FEBRUARY

7 Illinois-Chicago W, 5-2
12 at Syracuse W, 6-1
13 vs. #41 Maryland (at Syracuse) L, 6-3
20 Illinois W, 5-2
27 Indiana W, 5-2
28 Purdue W, 4-3

MARCH

5 at Iowa State 3 p.m.
6 at Drake 10 a.m.
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home matches in bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

at Iowa State
Friday, March 5, 3 p.m.

at Drake
Saturday, March 6, 10 a.m.

Contact: Crystal Colby 612/624-3335, colb0037@tc.umn.edu

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO IOWA — Minnesota (7-3, 3-0) takes a break from Big Ten play this week with the first two of three straight non-conference road matches. The Golden Gophers will play at Iowa State on Friday, March 5, and at Drake on Saturday, March 6. Minnesota is then off until a match, March 25, at Texas Christian.

GOPHERS WIN TWO BIG TEN MATCHES AT HOME — Minnesota won two Big Ten matches over the weekend, defeating Indiana, 5-2, on Saturday and Purdue, 4-3, on Sunday at the Northwest Athletic Club in Bloomington.

Saturday's win over the Hoosiers was Minnesota's second consecutive after losing the first 22 matches in the series. The Golden Gophers won two of three doubles matches, earning the doubles point. The No. 1 team of junior **Kim Simonsen (Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West)** and senior **Jana Hrdinova (Prague, Czech Republic/Stoughton, Wis.)** won, as did the No. 3 team of junior **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** and newcomer **Jen Howard (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea)**, who improved to 9-1 in the spring season.

Sauska won her match at No. 1 singles and **Simonsen** won at No. 2 to put the Gophers up 3-2. **Hrdinova** then sealed the win for the Gophers with a victory at No. 6 singles, defeating Ana Pousuthasee 6-3, 6-3. Senior **Sitinee Rangsitienchai (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor)** added a win No. 3 singles to finish the match.

On Sunday, Purdue won two of three doubles matches to earn the doubles point. The Gophers then won three singles matches to take a 3-1 lead, with **Simonsen, Rangsitienchai** and **Hrdinova** earning victories.

Two Purdue wins tied the score 3-3, forcing a deciding match at No. 1 singles. **Sauska** took an early lead, winning the first set 6-0 over Jennifer Embry before being set back 6-1 in the second. **Sauska** took a 5-0 lead in the third set, only to see her lead slip to 5-4. But **Sauska** held on, winning the next game to take the set, 6-4, and clinch the victory for the Gophers.

ABOUT IOWA STATE — The Cyclones are 1-4 on the season, with the win, Feb. 12, against Gustavus Adolphus in Ames, Iowa. Frosh Noortje Cornelissen has a 2-3 record at the No. 1 position. Senior Mary Rumbaoa is 3-2 in the spring season and 12-4 overall. Head coach Michele Conlon is in her seventh season at Iowa State.

ABOUT DRAKE — Rajasree Kuruvilla leads Drake with a perfect 5-0 record in the spring season. Daria Kotchoubinskaya and Emma Edvardsson are tied for second at 4-1. The doubles team of Kuruvilla and Cecily Dubusker leads with a 4-1 record.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — **Martin Novak** is in his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gophers. **Novak** has compiled a record of 88-98.

UP NEXT — The Gophers will next be in action March 25 at Texas Christian. Minnesota will return home on Sunday, April 4, for a Big Ten match against Northwestern.

1998-99 University of Minnesota Women's Tennis

Overall: 7-3

Big Ten: 3-0

Home: 5-1

Away: 1-1

Neutral: 1-1

Date	Opponent	Location	W/L	Score	Record	Big Ten
1/22	#15 Pepperdine	Home	L	5-2	0-1	
1/23	DePaul	Home	W	6-1	1-1	
1/30	Western Michigan	Milwaukee	W	7-2	2-1	
1/31	#35 Marquette	Away	L	5-4	2-2	
2/7	Illinois-Chicago	Home	W	5-2	3-2	
2/12	Syracuse	Away	W	6-1	4-2	
2/13	#41 Maryland	Syracuse	L	6-3	4-3	
2/20	#62 Illinois*	Home	W	5-2	5-3	1-0
2/27	#37 Indiana*	Home	W	5-2	6-3	2-0
2/28	#43 Purdue*	Home	W	4-3	7-3	3-0
3/5	Iowa State	Away				
3/6	Drake	Away				
3/25	Texas Christian	Away				
4/4	Northwestern*	Home				
4/10	Iowa*	Away				
4/11	Wisconsin*	Away				
4/16	Michigan*	Home				
4/18	Michigan State*	Home				
4/23	Ohio State*	Away				
4/25	Penn State*	Away				
4/29-30	Big Ten Championship	Michigan State				

*Big Ten Conference matches

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Spring	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang							4-0		4-0	1.000
Kim Simonsen	2-2	5-1					6-3	7-3	13-6	.684
S. Rangsithienchai	1-1		7-1				11-7	8-2	19-9	.679
Nora Sauska	2-2	3-1	2-0				8-5	7-3	15-8	.652
Jen Howard				0-1	6-3		3-3	6-4	9-7	.563
Tarah Elkins				1-4	1-0	3-1	3-2	5-5	8-7	.533
Jana Hrdinova				1-3		4-1	3-3	5-4	8-7	.533
Andrea Rose						1-0	2-3	1-0	3-3	.500
Totals	5-5	8-2	9-1	2-8	7-3	8-2	40-26	39-21	79-47	.627

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Spring	Total	Pct.
Sauska/Howard		0-1	8-1	7-1	8-2	15-3	.833
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1		2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1		1-1	.500
Elkins/Rangsithienchai		4-5	1-0	1-2	5-5	6-7	.462
Hrdinova/Simonsen	4-6			3-3	4-6	7-9	.438
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2		1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai				0-1		0-1	.000
Totals	4-6	4-6	9-1	15-11	17-13	32-24	.571

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 25-3-3

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1

7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)

14 Bemidji State W, 10-0

15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0

20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1

27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2

28 Princeton@ W, 3-1

29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1

18 Manitoba# W, 3-1

19 Alberta# W, 9-2

20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 St. Cloud State W, 10-0

15 St. Lawrence\$ W, 5-0

16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ W, 6-4

17 Toronto\$ W, 5-1

22 Wilfrid Laurier W, 10-0

23 Wilfrid Laurier W, 7-1

29 Concordia (Montreal)% W, 3-0

30 New Hampshire% T, 0-0 (ot)

31 Beatrice Aeros% L, 9-0

February

5 Cornell W, 6-1

6 Cornell W, 5-0

7 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 4-0

13 Augsburg W, 10-0

14 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 10-1

20 Providence W, 1-0

21 Providence W, 5-1

26 Brown L, 2-1

27 Brown T, 1-1 (ot)

March

7 St. Cloud St./Bemidji St. 1:00 p.m.

12 Midwest Showdown 7:00 p.m.

22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:00 p.m.

26 ACHA Championships 5 & 8 p.m.

27 ACHA Championships 5 & 8 p.m.

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

#—Bison Invitational

\$—High Peaks Classic

%—Citizens Bank Border Battle



Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

March 1, 1999

St. Cloud State or Bemidji State vs.

#2 Minnesota

Sunday, March 7, 1999

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota will take part in the Midwest Showdown, hosting one of two semifinal games. The Gophers, seeded first in the tournament, will face either fourth-seeded St. Cloud State or fifth-seeded Bemidji State Sunday at 1 p.m.

The Huskies will host the Beavers Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the National Hockey Center in St. Cloud.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The Gophers came away winless in a physical series with Brown over the weekend, dropping a 2-1 decision to the Bears Friday before skating to a 1-1 tie Saturday.

The two-game set featured two of the nation's top goalies living up to their billing as Minnesota's Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy) and Brown's Ali Brewer each turned in a pair of stellar performances.

Brewer bested Killewald in the series opener, stopping 28 of 29 shots while Marcie Deering scored both goals for the Bears, including the game-winner with 3:56 to play in the game. Minnesota's lone goal was a short-handed effort by co-captain Kris Scholz (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area) while Killewald stopped 28 shots.

Saturday night saw the two teams play tentatively through the first 40 minutes, combining for just 28 shots during two scoreless periods.

The pace of the game picked up in the third period as Minnesota and Brown combined for 27 shots in the period and the Gophers got on the board first when Nadine Muzerall (Mississauga, Ontario/Kimball Union Academy) lifted a rebound over a pile of bodies and past Brewer at 6:54 on the power play.

The Bears got the goal back, however, when Jill Graat picked up a rebound and scored on a shot through traffic with 5:41 to play in the third period.

Killewald made 29 saves for Minnesota while Brewer turned in another 28-save performance for Brown.

ST. CLOUD STATE RECENTLY—The Huskies' regular season came to an end Saturday with an 8-2 loss at Wisconsin-Superior. Sara Ganser, on the power play, and Kimberly Gubernot scored St. Cloud State's goals while Sondra Diaz-Arntzen stopped 35 shots.

Kerry Brodt, the older sister of Gopher center Winny Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area) is in her first season as the head coach at St. Cloud State. A 1995 Husky graduate, Brodt earned four letters in golf and earned All-American honors in 1992. She sports a career record of 7-11-2.

BEMIDJI STATE RECENTLY—The Beavers' regular season came to an end Saturday with a 12-0 loss at Minnesota State, Mankato, the second seed in the Midwest Showdown.

MSU, Mankato scored eight times in the opening period to put the game away early. The Mavericks held a 42-6 advantage in shots on goal. Bemidji goalie Janet Hicks and Amber Parks combined for 30 saves.

Ruthann Cantile is in her first season as the Beavers' head coach. A 1996 graduate of Western Michigan, she led the Broncos to the national club championship as the team's coach last season. In her first year as a varsity coach, she is 2-19-0.

ABOUT THE MIDWEST SHOWDOWN—The Midwest Showdown features the five Minnesota schools that will be members of the new Division I women's conference next season.

The tournament gets underway Wednesday as fourth-seeded St. Cloud State hosts fifth-seeded Bemidji State at 7 p.m. at the National Hockey Center. Semifinal

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action takes place this weekend and gets underway Saturday, at 1:05 p.m., as second-seeded MSU, Mankato hosts third-seeded Minnesota-Duluth at the Midwest Wireless Center. Minnesota will host the St. Cloud State/Bemidji State winner Sunday, beginning at 1 p.m. at **Mariucci Arena**.

The championship game, pending availability of facilities, while take place at the site of the higher seed, Friday, March 7, at 7 p.m.

AT HER BEST—Minnesota goalie **Erica Killewald** was on top of her game again this past weekend. Some of her best performances have come against the best teams in the nation.

The Gophers have played six games against the four other schools — Harvard, New Hampshire, Brown and Northeastern — ranked in the top five nationally.

Despite just a 1-2-3 record, **Killewald** has not allowed more than two goals in any of those six games and has a 1.28 goals against average and a .959 save percentage versus those four opponents.

GETTING OFFENSIVE—Last season, **Emily Buchholz (Waupun, Wis./Waupun)** led the Gophers' defense with 12 assists. This season, three of the team's blueliners have reached that total.

Brittney Ralph (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center) leads the Minnesota defense with 16 assists while **Buchholz** has 14 and **Courtney Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham, Browne & Nichols)** has 13.

In all, the Gophers' regular group of six has scored 26 goals, led by **Kennedy** with 13, and 83 points.

ABOUT TO IMplode—Depth has been the biggest strength of the Minnesota team this year, especially when it comes to scoring.

Last season, the Gophers had six players top the 10-goal mark and seven reached 20 points. This year, 10 players have reached double figures in goals and 11 have broken the 20-point barrier.

Minnesota's top nine forwards have all reached the 10-goal and 20-point marks, including five who have recorded at least 20 assists to date.

TAKING A BREAK—When the U.S. Women's National Team heads to Finland, for the World Championships, March 8-14, **Jenny Schmidgall** will be accompanying the team.

Schmidgall will miss the Midwest Showdown, March 7 and 12, but will be available if the Gophers are invited to the American Women's College Hockey Alliance championship game, March 26-27.

This will be **Schmidgall's** second tour of duty with the national squad. Last year, she was a member of the team that claimed the gold medal at the Winter Olympics. She scored two goals and five points at the Olympic games and tallied nine goals and 21 points in 30 games for the season.

REPRESENTING THEIR COUNTRY—First-year center **Jenny Schmidgall** and sophomore center **Winnie Brodt** played for the U.S. Women's Select Team at the Three Nations Cup in Finland, Dec. 10-15.

Canada grabbed a 2-1 win over the United States, Dec. 10, in the tourney opener, but the U.S. rebounded the next day

with a 3-2 win over Finland as **Schmidgall** assisted on the game-tying goal and then scored the game-winner 56 seconds into the final period.

After a two-day respite, the U.S. again fell to Canada, Dec. 14, 4-3 in a shootout before closing play with a 4-3 win over Finland.

NATURAL BORN KILLERS—The Gophers were 11-for-11 killing penalties over the weekend. The second-ranked penalty killing team in nation, Minnesota has allowed just two power-play goals in its last 15 games.

During that 15 game stretch, Minnesota had a 10-game streak of not allowing a power-play goal and has killed 54 of 56 power plays.

THE SERIES—Minnesota is 2-0-0 against St. Cloud State, including one victory over Huskies' club team last season. The Gophers are 1-0-0 versus Bemidji State.

WHEN LAST WE MET—The Gophers travelled to Bemidji, Nov. 14, for their only meeting with the Beavers this season. In that game, Minnesota outshot its hosts 68-1, got points from 13 different players, and cruised to a 10-0 victory.

St. Cloud State opened 1999 by coming to **Mariucci Arena**, Jan. 9, and dropping a 10-0 decision as **Jenny Schmidgall** had four assists and five points and **Nadine Muzerall** scored three goals.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—Minnesota was ranked highly in a number of team statistical categories last week, as were several Gopher players.

Total points—4. **Jenny Schmidgall**, 66; t8. **Kris Scholz**, 44; 11. **Nadine Muzerall**, 41. **Points per game**—4. **Schmidgall**, 2.44; 8. **Muzerall**, 1.58; 11. **Scholz**, 1.52. **Total goals**—t1. **Schmidgall**, 32; 8. **Muzerall**, 23; t20. **Scholz**, 15. **Goals per game**—3. **Schmidgall**, 1.19; 8. **Muzerall**, 0.88. **Total assists**—4. **Schmidgall**, 34; 6. **Scholz**, 29; t10. **Brodt**, 23; t20. **Laura Slominski**, **Ambria Thomas**, 20. **Assists per game**—4. **Schmidgall**, 1.26; 8. **Scholz**, 1.00; 15. **Brodt**, 0.85. **Power-play goals**—t2. **Schmidgall**, 9; t7. **Muzerall**, 7. **Short-handed goals**—t3. **Muzerall**, **Schmidgall**, 2. **Game-winning goals**—t2. **Muzerall**, 5; t13. **Schmidgall**, **Shannon Kennedy**, 3.

Goals against average—1. **Erica Killewald**, 1.18. **Save percentage**—1. **Killewald**, .947. **Winning percentage**—3. **Killewald**, .850. **Shutouts**—t2. **Killewald**, **Crystal Nicholas**, 6.

Scoring offense—2nd, 6.00. **Scoring defense**—1st, 1.14. **Scoring differential**—2nd, +4.86. **Power play**—3rd, 29.1%. **Penalty kill**—3rd, 90.8%.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting a 105-85-15 overall record and a 45-10-6 mark at Minnesota.

She began her head coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year

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Meaghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival. In December, she will serve as an assistant for the U.S. National team that competes in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Halldorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 22-4-5 in the five-year old building.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota remained second in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* coaches poll and fell one spot to fourth in the *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* poll last week. Harvard maintained its top ranking in both polls.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (Feb. 22, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (10)	24- 1-0	100	1
2. Minnesota	15- 1-2	88	2
3. New Hampshire	16- 4-5	75	3
4. Brown	17- 4-3	74	5
5. Northeastern	18- 6-2	60	4
6. Dartmouth	14- 6-4	48	7
7. Providence	15- 9-2	45	6
8. Princeton	13-10-1	15	8
Cornell	11-13-0	15	NR

Also receiving votes: None.

American Hockey Magazine/USA Today Poll (Feb. 23, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	24- 1-0	25	1
2. Brown	17- 4-3	18	5
3. New Hampshire	16- 5-5	15	2
4. Minnesota	25- 2-2	9	4
5. Northeastern	21- 6-2	7	4

Also receiving votes: None.

UP NEXT—A victory in Sunday's Midwest Showdown semifinal would put Minnesota in the championship game, tentatively scheduled for Friday, March 12. The site and time will be announced following this weekend's semifinal games.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 33-for-116 (28.4%) on the power play after going 1-for-6 during the weekend. The Gophers' 113 power plays have resulted in 178:38 of power-play time and they average a goal every 5:25 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	29	9	11	20	40	.225
Kris Scholz	31	3	13	16	13	.231
Nadine Muzerall	28	8	4	12	34	.235
Courtney Kennedy	29	4	4	8	25	.160
Emily Buchholz	30	3	5	8	12	.250
Winnie Brodt	29	1	7	8	13	.077
Brittney Ralph	30	2	4	6	31	.065
Ambria Thomas	28	1	2	3	7	.143
Laura Slominski	30	1	2	3	6	.167
Shannon Kennedy	29	0	4	4	5	.000
Amber Hegland	31	1	1	2	5	.200
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Tai Thorsheim	30	0	1	1	0	.000
Tracy Engstrom	28	0	0	0	11	.000
Angela Borek	30	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	26	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	17	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	32	33	60	94	208	.159
Opponents	32	9	15	24	122	.074

THE PENALTY-KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 99-for-108 (91.7%) killing penalties after going 11-for-11 over the weekend, with their opponents having spent 172:02 on the power play, averaging a goal every 19:07. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	28	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	29	2	0	2	7	.273
Courtney Kennedy	29	0	2	2	2	.000
Brittney Ralph	30	1	0	1	3	.333
Kris Scholz	31	1	0	0	2	.500
Winnie Brodt	29	0	1	0	2	.000
Tai Thorsheim	30	0	1	0	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	28	0	1	1	0	.000
Shannon Kennedy	29	0	0	0	4	.000
Laura Slominski	30	0	0	0	3	.000
Ambria Thomas	28	0	0	0	3	.000
Emily Buchholz	30	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	26	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	17	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	31	6	5	11	36	.167
Opponents	31	1	1	2	11	.091

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Mar 01, 1999)

All games

Overall: 25-3-3 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 10-2-2 Away: 7-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

Name	GP	SHOTS						PENALTIES				GOALS								
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct	+/-	No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO
Jenny Schmidgall	29	32	34	66	168	.190	+46	7-14	7	0	0	9	2	5	3	1	0	1	0	0
Kris Scholz	31	16	30	46	78	.205	+33	3-6	3	0	0	3	1	2	2	0	0	1	0	0
Nadine Muzerall	28	24	18	42	156	.154	+33	10-20	10	0	0	8	2	8	6	0	0	3	0	0
Winnie Brodt	29	10	24	34	92	.109	+46	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Amber Hegland	31	14	17	31	71	.197	+35	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Ambria Thomas	28	11	20	31	67	.164	+32	9-18	9	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	29	11	19	30	78	.141	+39	7-14	7	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Laura Slominski	29	10	20	30	64	.156	+37	4-8	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	29	13	12	25	82	.159	+38	16-32	16	0	0	4	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	28	10	13	23	68	.147	+27	7-14	7	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Brittney Ralph	30	6	16	22	87	.069	+34	9-18	9	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	30	4	14	18	42	.095	+34	15-30	15	0	0	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	17	3	5	8	13	.231	+9	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	30	1	6	7	28	.036	+23	7-14	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	30	1	6	7	17	.059	+36	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	23	1	3	4	19	.053	+7	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	27	1	3	4	19	.053	+9	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	26	1	3	4	27	.037	+38	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	16	2	1	3	13	.154	+2	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	15	1	0	1	15	.067	+3	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crystal Nicholas	11	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM	7	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	31	176	271	447	1220	.144	+573	123-246	123	0	0	33	6	25	25	1	0	6	0	0
Opponents.....	31	36	45	81	587	.061	-	138-314	132	2	4	9	1	5	3	1	0	0	0	0

Name	GP	Minutes	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES			RECORD				GOALS			
			GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG	
Crystal Nicholas	11	576:11	9	0.94	86	.905	9	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0	
Erica Killewald	22	1297:40	26	1.20	465	.947	16	3	3	6	8	1	0	0	0	
TEAM	7	1:09	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Total.....	31	1875:00	36	1.15	551	.939	25	3	3	12	9	1	1	0	0	
Opponents.....	31	1875:00	176	5.63	1044	.856	3	25	3	2	33	6	1	0	0	

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Mar 01, 1999)

All games

Overall: 25-3-3 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 10-2-2 Away: 7-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	176-1220	36-587
Shot pct.....	.144	.061
Goals/Game.....	5.7	1.2
Shots/Game.....	39.4	18.9
Assists.....	271	45
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	33-116	9-108
Conversion Percent.....	.284	.083
Shot Attempts.....	364	254
Shot Percent.....	.091	.035
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	6-61	1-18
Shot Percent.....	.098	.056
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	176	36
Power Play.....	33	9
Short-handed.....	6	1
Empty net.....	1	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	123	138
Minutes.....	246	314
Penalties/Game.....	4.0	4.5
Pen minutes/Game.....	7.9	10.1
Minor.....	123	132
Major.....	0	2
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	2
Game Misconduct.....	0	2
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	1106-861	861-1106
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	17229	2827
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	14/1231	8/353
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	9/117	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total

Minnesota.....	65	65	46	0 -	176
Opponents.....	8	10	18	0 -	36



1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule

Overall: 15-4 Big Ten: 0-0

FEBRUARY

12-14 Metrodome Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Missouri in semis)

18 North Carolina W, 3-1; W, 1-0

19-21 Triangle Classic
(7-0 record, co-champs with Marshall)

26-28 Troy Cox Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Texas Tech in quarters)

MARCH

5-7 Aggie II Invitational
(College Station, Texas)

5	Butler	noon
5	Texas A&M	6:45 p.m.
6	Butler	4:30 p.m.
6	Texas A&M	6:45 p.m.
7	Dayton (2)	9 a.m.
22	at Florida State (2)	5:30 p.m.
24	at Bethune-Cook. (2)	3 p.m.
26	at South Florida (2)	5 p.m.
31	MSU, Mankato (2) (Rice Street Dome)	2 p.m.

APRIL

3	at Purdue (2)	1 p.m.
4	at Purdue	1 p.m.
7	Drake (2)	3 p.m.
10	at Michigan (2)	1 p.m.
11	at Michigan	1 p.m.
13	at Iowa State (2)	3 p.m.
15	Northern Iowa (2)	3 p.m.
17	Penn State (2)	1 p.m.
18	Penn State	Noon
21	at Wisconsin (2)	1 p.m.
24	Indiana (2)	1 p.m.
25	Indiana	Noon
28	at Northwestern (2)	2 p.m.

MAY

1	at Michigan State (2)	1 p.m.
2	at Michigan State	Noon
5	Iowa (2)	2 p.m.
8	Ohio State (2)	1 p.m.
9	Ohio State	Noon
14-15	Big Ten Tournament	TBA
20-23	NCAA Regionals	TBA
27-31	NCAA Women's College World Series (Oklahoma City)	

* Big Ten games
Home games in **bold** at Bierman Softball Stadium, unless otherwise indicated.
Game times local to site.

Minnesota Softball 1999

at Aggie II Invitational, March 5-7
College Station, Texas
Hosted by Texas A&M

Current National Ranking: No. 22

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Minnesota (15-4), ranked 22nd in the USA Today/NFCA preseason poll, continues its 1999 season with a road trip to College Station, Texas, and the Aggie II Invitational. Minnesota tied a school record by winning 12 consecutive games, the last three at the start of last weekend's Troy Cox Invitational. The national poll becomes a weekly occurrence beginning Wednesday morning. **Shannon Beeler (Shelton, Wash./Shelton)** has become the 10th player in NCAA Division I history with 200 runs batted in, while **Steph Klaviter (New Ulm, Minn./Cathedral)** needs one win to become Minnesota's all-time winningest pitcher.

AGGIE FORMAT — The four teams will play two games against each opponent, with the teams being ranked at the end of the tournament by overall record. Minnesota is the defending champion in the tournament after a 6-0 record against Bowling Green, Illinois State and Texas A&M in last year's tournament. The schedule:

AGGIE II INVITATIONAL SCHEDULE

March 5	Minnesota vs. Butler	noon
	Minnesota at Texas A&M	6:45 p.m.
March 6	Minnesota vs. Butler	4:30 p.m.
	Minnesota at Texas A&M	6:45 p.m.
March 7	Minnesota vs. Dayton	9 a.m.
	Minnesota vs. Dayton	11 a.m.

MINNESOTA'S CO-COACHES — Minnesota co-head coach **Lisa Bernstein** is in her eighth season at the school. Her overall record is 255-186-1 (.578). **Bernstein** won her 250th game in the Triangle Classic, defeating Ball State in the Gophers' first game Feb. 21. In the last three-plus seasons, Minnesota has won 70 percent of its games and qualified for two NCAA tournaments.

Minnesota co-head coach **Julie Standering** was elevated to her current position Jan. 22, and has a Minnesota career record of 15-4 (.789). **Standering** was an assistant coach at Minnesota from 1992-96 and had been the associate head coach of the Gophers for the past two seasons.

ABOUT THE BULLDOGS — **Butler** began its 1999 season by losing five games at the Troy Cox Softball Classic in Las Cruces, N.M. **Butler** dropped decisions to Penn State, Northwestern, Texas Tech, New Mexico and Wichita State by a combined score of 59-8.

THE SERIES — First meeting.

ABOUT THE AGGIES — **Texas A&M** is 15-5 in 1999, falling in the final of the Texas-Arlington tournament and winning the Easton Invitational in Santa Barbara, Calif. The Aggies have winning streaks of eight games and six games this season. First-year player **Lisa Klam** is hitting .388 with four home runs and 13 RBI in 20 games.

THE SERIES — Texas A&M leads the series, 11-8. Minnesota won both meetings in 1998, defeating the Aggies 3-1 and 7-1 during the Aggie II Invitational.

ABOUT THE FLYERS — Dayton was 3-3 in its first weekend of games, splitting a doubleheader with Southwest Texas State, sweeping two games from Detroit-Mercy and losing two games against Creighton. The Flyers were 23-23 in 1998 and finished third in the Atlantic 10 Conference with an 8-6 record. Coach Jodi Eickemeyer was the 1998 A-10 Coach of the Year. Junior infielder Tanya Leet (.346, 33 RBI) is Dayton's best returning hitter, while junior left-hander Sara Hatcher (12-10, 1.83 ERA) is the Flyers' top returning hurler.

THE SERIES — Minnesota won the first-ever meetings in 1998, defeating the Flyers 3-1 and 11-2 in a non-conference doubleheader March 24.

ROAD TRIP REVIEW — Minnesota won its first three games of the Troy Cox Softball Classic, increasing its winning streak to 12 games and tying a school record. The Gophers lost games to eventual champion Oregon State and Texas Tech to drop out of the tournament. **Jordanne Nygren (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)** was named to the all-tournament team.

Feb. 26: Minnesota 3, Wichita State 1 — Minnesota scored two runs in the ninth-inning tiebreaker to defeat the Shockers. **Shannon Beeler** doubled home the winning run and **Angel Braden (Chino, Calif./St. Lucy's)** added insurance with a run-scoring single. **Steph Klaviter** pitched the final 2 1/3 innings for her sixth win and the 67th of her career, tying Brenda Bixby for first place on Minnesota's all-time list.

Minnesota 8, Utah 5 — The Gophers rallied from a 4-0 deficit to defeat Utah and extend their winning streak to 11 games. **Jordanne Nygren** had three hits, including her eighth home run of the season. Minnesota broke a 5-5 tie with three sixth-inning runs. **Beeler** doubled home the game-winning run for the second consecutive game, and **Nygren** closed the scoring with a two-run single. **Michelle Harrison (Fullerton, Calif./Fullerton)** improved to 3-0 by pitching three scoreless innings to end the game.

Feb. 27: Minnesota 11, New Mexico State 7 — The Gophers tied a school record with their 12th consecutive win, matching the mark set in 1991 and tied in 1997. Minnesota scored 10 runs in the first three innings, including home runs by **Nygren**, **Christine Lindberg (Barrington, Ill./Barrington)** and **Michelle Bennett (Hermantown, Minn./Hermantown)**. **Braden** suffered an broken orbital bone in the game and is out for an

indefinite period.

Oregon State 5, Minnesota 1 — The Beavers, who were a perfect 6-0 during the tournament, ended Minnesota's 12-game winning streak with a decisive victory. **Beeler** homered in the first inning for the Gophers's lone run. **Harrison** pitched a complete game and lost her first decision in five games.

Texas Tech 5, Minnesota 0 — The Gophers were shut out for the second time this season. Both of their shutouts have come to Big 12 teams, as have three of their four losses. Minnesota managed only two hits in the game and committed a season-high six errors in the loss. **Rayny Camacho (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)** fell to 1-1, despite giving up only three hits in six innings.

NYGREN POWER NUMBERS — First-year player **Jordanne Nygren** continues to hit the ball at a staggering clip. She was named to the all-tournament team at the Troy Cox Softball Classic, hitting .563 (9-for-16) with two home runs and five runs batted in. **Nygren** leads the Gophers in batting average (.393), home runs (9), runs batted in (23), total bases (50), on-base percentage (.469) and slugging percentage (.893). The nine home runs by **Nygren** rank her fourth on the Minnesota single-season list and tied for fourth on the Gophers' all-time career list.

THE RECORD BOOK — Minnesota shortstop **Shannon Beeler** has shattered many of the records in the Gopher record book, both single season and career. No Gopher has hit more home runs than **Beeler**, and no Gopher has driven in more runs than **Beeler**, either in a single season or a career. Since that measure of comparison is gone, **Beeler** must now be compared to the greatest players in Big Ten and NCAA history. Entering the 1999 season, **Beeler** is the active leader among Division I players in runs batted in. She is now within striking distance of the NCAA career top ten in runs batted in and is now a member of the NCAA career top 20 in home runs. The data:

NCAA DIVISION I CAREER LEADERS

HOME RUNS

1. Leah Braatz, Arizona	85
15. Shannon Tanski, Liberty	37
16. Shannon Salsberg, Penn State	34
Liz Mizera, Texas A&M	34
Shannon Beeler, Minnesota	34

RUNS BATTED IN

1. Jenny Dalton, Arizona	328
9. Ali Viola, Nebraska	213
10. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota	201
11. Mary Babb, Missouri	199
Dana Fulmer, South Carolina	199

KLAVITER TO PARTICIPATE IN USA SOFTBALL NATIONAL TEAM FESTIVAL — Steph Klaviter has been chosen to participate in the 1999 Coca-Cola USA Softball Women's National Team Festival from June 8-14 in Fresno, Calif. Klaviter will be one of 60 players in the Festival. Ten players in the group have been chosen to participate as a member of the United States team at the 1999 Pan American Games. Klaviter will compete for one of the five remaining positions.

PRESEASON POLL — The Gophers are ranked 22nd in the USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association preseason poll. Minnesota finished 16th in the final poll of last season. The next poll will be released Wednesday.

WHAT'S NEXT — Minnesota will have 15 days between games to prepare for finals week in the winter quarter. The Gophers' next action will be a six-game road trip to Florida, featuring doubleheaders at Florida State (Mar. 22, 5:30 p.m. EST), Bethune-Cookman (Mar. 24, 3 p.m. EST), and South Florida (Mar. 26, 5 p.m. EST).

1999 Minnesota Softball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Yr.	Hometown/High School
1	Morgan Holden *	OF/IF	R/R	So.	Los Lunas, N.M. (La Cueva)
2	Steph Midthun ***	OF	L/R	Sr.	Rio Rancho, N.M. (Cibola)
3	Dana Ballard **	1B	R/R	Jr.	Oak Park, Ill. (Fenwick)
4	Tammi Hays	OF	S/R	Fr.	Hastings, Minn. (Hastings)
5	Shannon Beeler ***	SS	R/R	Sr.	Shelton, Wash. (Shelton)
6	Amy Hafemeyer *	OF	L/R	So.	Kenyon, Minn. (Faribault)
7	Steph Klaviter ***	P	R/R	Sr.	New Ulm, Minn. (Cathedral)
8	Rayny Camacho *	P	R/R	So.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
9	Christine Lindberg	IF	R/R	Fr.	Barrington, Ill. (Barrington)
10	Katie Orth	IF/OF	R/R	Fr.	Rochester, Minn. (Mayo)
12	Heather Brown	P	R/R	Fr.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
14	Jordanne Nygren	IF	R/R	Fr.	Farmington, N.M. (Farmington)
15	Angel Braden *	IF	R/R	So.	Chino, Calif. (St. Lucy's)
16	Lara Severson **	C	R/R	Sr.	LeSueur, Minn. (LeSueur)
17	Michelle Harrison	P	L/L	Jr.	Anaheim, Calif. (Orange Luth./Southwest Texas)
19	Erin Brophy *	C	R/R	Sr.	Crystal, Minn. (Robbinsdale)
21	Erin Mooney *	UT	R/R	So.	Vancouver, Wash. (Jesuit)
22	Ninette Mohns	UT	R/R	Fr.	Oconomowoc, Wis. (Oconomowoc)
23	Meghan Smith	C	R/R	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn. (Eden Prairie)
24	Michelle Bennett **	IF/OF	R/R	Jr.	Hermantown, Minn. (Hermantown)
30	Abby Stehula	UT	R/R	Fr.	Appleton, Wis. (Appleton East)

Co-Head Coaches: Lisa Bernstein, Julie Standerling
Assistant Coach: Jen Bauer

1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule/Results

Metrodome Softball Classic (Minneapolis, Minn.)		
Feb. 12	W, 8-7	Western Illinois
	L, 0-7	Kansas
Feb. 13	W, 8-0 (5)	Northern Illinois
	W, 2-1	Missouri
Feb. 14	L, 4-3	Missouri

Feb. 18 W, 3-1 North Carolina
 W, 1-0 (6) North Carolina

Triangle Classic (Raleigh, N.C.)		
Feb. 19	W, 7-5	Campbell
Feb. 20	W, 3-2	Akron
	W, 12-2 (5)	UNC-Wilmington
	W, 1-0 (8)	Virginia
Feb. 21	W, 3-2	Ball State
	W, 6-5 (8)	Maryland
	W, 1-0	Illinois-Chicago

Troy Cox Invitational (Las Cruces, N.M.)		
Feb. 26	W, 3-1 (9)	Wichita State
	W, 8-5	Utah
Feb. 27	W, 11-7	New Mexico State
	L, 1-5	Oregon State
	L, 0-5	Texas Tech

Aggie II Invitational (College Station, Texas)		
Mar. 5	noon	Butler
	6:45 p.m.	Texas A&M
Mar. 6	4:30 p.m.	Butler
	6:45 p.m.	Texas A&M
Mar. 7	9 a.m.	Dayton
	11:15 a.m.	Dayton

Mar. 22 5:30 p.m. Florida State
 Florida State

Mar. 24 3 p.m. Bethune-Cookman
 Bethune-Cookman

Mar. 26 5 p.m. South Florida
 South Florida

Mar. 31 2 p.m. **MSU, MANKATO**
 MSU, MANKATO

(Games played at Rice Street Dome)

Apr. 3 1 p.m. Purdue

Apr. 4 1 p.m. Purdue

Apr. 7 3 p.m. **DRAKE**
 DRAKE

Apr. 10 1 p.m. Michigan
 Michigan

Apr. 11 1 p.m. Michigan

Apr. 13 3 p.m. Iowa State
 Iowa State

Apr. 15 3 p.m. **NORTHERN IOWA**
 NORTHERN IOWA

Apr. 17 1 p.m. **PENN STATE**
 PENN STATE
 PENN STATE

Apr. 18 noon **PENN STATE**

Apr. 21 1 p.m. Wisconsin
 Wisconsin

Apr. 24 1 p.m. **INDIANA**
 INDIANA

Apr. 25 noon **INDIANA**

Apr. 28 2 p.m. Northwestern
 Northwestern

May 1 1 p.m. Michigan State
 Michigan State
 Michigan State

May 5 2 p.m. **IOWA**
 IOWA

May 8 1 p.m. **OHIO STATE**
 OHIO STATE
 OHIO STATE

Home games in bold are played at the Bierman Softball Stadium unless otherwise noted.

All times are local to the site of the game.

Overall:	15-4	Big Ten:	0-0
Home:	0-0	Home:	0-0
Away:	2-0	Away:	0-0
Neutral:	13-4		

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
 Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Mar 01, 1999)
 (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 15-4-0 Home 0-0-0 Away: 2-0-0 Neutral: 13-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Jordanne Nygren.....	.393	19-19	56	12	22	1	0	9	23	50	.893	8	0	11	0	.469	0	2	0-0	42	30	4	.947
Steph Widthun.....	.365	19-19	63	15	23	2	0	0	5	25	.397	1	0	8	0	.375	0	3	6-6	19	4	1	.958
Shannon Beeler.....	.361	19-19	61	17	22	8	0	4	20	42	.689	4	1	3	0	.409	0	1	4-4	31	44	6	.926
Tammi Hays.....	.333	19-19	54	12	18	0	0	0	3	18	.333	3	1	12	0	.379	0	5	3-4	21	0	3	.875
Michelle Bennett....	.250	18-18	44	5	11	2	0	2	6	19	.432	10	1	7	0	.400	0	4	1-1	127	11	7	.952
Morgan Holden.....	.135	16-13	37	1	5	1	0	0	1	6	.162	3	0	9	0	.200	0	0	0-0	10	6	7	.696
--- Others ---																							
Amy Hafemeyer.....	.350	8-7	20	2	7	1	0	0	2	8	.400	0	0	4	0	.350	0	5	0-1	1	0	0	1.000
Angel Braden.....	.345	12-12	29	4	10	1	1	0	8	13	.448	4	2	8	0	.457	0	1	0-0	9	19	7	.800
Christine Lindberg..	.263	10-6	19	3	5	1	0	1	1	9	.474	0	0	6	0	.263	0	1	2-2	0	9	2	.818
Meghan Smith.....	.148	13-12	27	0	4	1	0	0	1	5	.185	0	2	15	0	.207	0	1	1-1	73	4	5	.939
Lara Severson.....	.130	14-9	23	4	3	0	0	0	1	3	.130	3	0	10	0	.231	0	1	0-1	4	1	0	1.000
Erin Mooney.....	.125	7-2	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.125	0	1	3	0	.222	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Katie Orth.....	.100	10-6	20	1	2	0	0	1	1	5	.250	2	0	6	1	.182	0	1	0-0	6	1	0	1.000
Erin Brophy.....	.074	13-10	27	3	2	2	0	0	2	4	.148	4	1	7	0	.219	0	1	0-0	45	6	1	.981
Ninette Mohns.....	.000	13-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	1.000
Totals.....	.277	19-19	488	81	135	20	1	17	74	208	.426	42	9	109	1	.345	0	26	18-21	393	162	44	.927
Opponents.....	.238	19-19	508	59	121	12	2	8	45	161	.317	41	6	108	0	.303	0	20	12-15	373	160	21	.962

LOB - Team (115), Opp (127). DPs turned - Team (6), Opp (2). IBB - Team (1), Nygren 1, Opp (5). Picked off - Beeler 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Heather Brown.....	1.25	4-0	7	6	2	1/0	0	28.0	27	10	5	6	28	1	0	3	117	.255	1	1	0	0	4
Steph Klaviter.....	1.65	6-2	12	8	4	3/0	2	51.0	46	22	12	15	42	6	2	2	223	.231	3	1	0	0	8
Michelle Harrison...	1.76	4-1	9	3	3	0/0	1	39.2	36	17	10	12	28	5	0	2	174	.231	3	2	0	0	4
--- Others ---																							
Rayny Camacho.....	2.84	1-1	3	2	1	0/0	0	12.1	12	10	5	8	10	0	0	1	61	.255	4	2	0	0	4
Totals.....	1.71	15-4	19	19	10	4/0	3	131.0	121	59	32	41	108	12	2	8	575	.238	11	6	0	0	20
Opponents.....	3.72	4-15	19	19	17	2/0	0	124.1	135	81	66	42	109	20	1	17	565	.277	4	9	0	0	26

PB - Team (8), Smith 6, Brophy 2, Opp (12). SB/SBA - Smith (7-9), Brophy (5-6), Klaviter (4-6), Harrison (6-6), Brown (1-2), Camacho (1-1).

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January

2	Intrasquad		
9	Best of Minnesota		
	Minnesota		192.400
	Winona State		178.750
	Hamline		138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus		137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W,	193.550- 193.050
23	#2 Utah	L,	194.600- 194.175
30	#1 Alabama	L,	196.025- 194.650

February

6	#12 Iowa State	W,	193.375- 191.075
13	Iowa	W,	194.275- 187.725
20	vs. West Virginia, N.C. State		
	#12 West Virginia		195.175
	North Carolina State		193.200
	Minnesota		192.425
27	at #25 Illinois	W,	194.900- 194.475

March

5	at Iowa		7 p.m.
7	at Iowa State		4 p.m.
12	West Virginia		7 p.m.
21	Denver		2 p.m.
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)		

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)		
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)		

All home meets in bold are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics



at Iowa

Friday, March 5, 7 p.m.

at Iowa State

Sunday, March 7, 4 p.m.

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GOLDEN GOPHERS TO COMPETE TWICE THIS WEEKEND — Minnesota travels to Columbus, Ohio, for a meet against Iowa on Friday, March 5. The Golden Gophers will compete against Iowa State in Des Moines, Iowa, on Sunday, March 7.

MINNESOTA RANKED NO. 10 — The Golden Gophers were ranked No. 10 after the seventh week of competition with a season average of 193.550. Minnesota is one of five Big Ten Conference schools listed in the ranking. The others are Michigan (No. 5), Penn State (No. 6) and Ohio State (No. 15) and Illinois (No. 25). The next rankings, to be released Wednesday, will use the regional qualifying score for the first time this season. The RQS is based on a team's six best regular-season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. The high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — Junior **Judy Cavazos (Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana de. Noreste)** won the uneven bars and tied for first on the floor exercise to lead Minnesota to a 194.900-194.475 victory over Illinois in Champaign, Ill. The Golden Gophers set season-highs for total team score, vault, uneven bars and floor exercise.

Cavazos set personal season highs on the vault (9.75), uneven bars (9.925) and floor exercise (9.9). She placed third in the all around competition with a score of 38.825.

The Gophers swept the top three places in the vault, with newcomer **MaryAnne Kelley (Barrington, Ill./Fremd)** and sophomore **Shanyn Lancaster (Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser)** tying for first at 9.8 and **Cavazos** third. Minnesota recorded a season-best 48.750 on vault.

Minnesota also earned the top three spots on the uneven bars, with **Cavazos** first, frosh **Catie Christensen (Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington)** second with a career-best 9.875 and sophomore **Megan Skokut (Carmel, Ind./Carmel)** third at 9.850. The Golden Gophers recorded a score of 49.250 on the uneven bars, the highest Minnesota total for any individual event this season.

On the floor exercise, four athletes recorded a 9.8 or higher, leading to a season-high team score of 49.125. **Christensen** and **Kelley** tied for fourth at 9.85, with frosh **Megan Beuckens (Brandon, S.D./Brandon Valley)** sixth with a career-best 9.825.

GOPHERS RECORD SEASON-BEST TEAM SCORE — Helped by season-high team scores on vault, uneven bars and floor exercise, the Golden Gophers recorded their highest team total of the season, 194.900, in defeating Illinois on Saturday.

MaryAnne Kelley and **Shanyn Lancaster** tied for first on the vault at 9.80, leading the Gophers to a season-best 48.75.

On the uneven bars, five athletes set season-highs, leading to a team score of 49.250, the highest Minnesota score on any individual event this season. **Judy Cavazos** scored Minnesota's highest event score this season, at 9.925. Minnesota swept the top four places on bars, with each athlete scoring higher than 9.80.

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Newcomer **Catie Christensen** was second at 9.875, sophomore **Megan Skokut** third, tying her career best of 9.85, and junior **Melissa Chang (Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs)** was fourth with a career-best 9.825.

Cavazos also led the way on the floor exercise with a season-best 9.90, leading to a team score of 49.125 for the second time Minnesota has scored over 49 points on the floor exercise this season.

CAVAZOS STRONG ON BARS AND FLOOR — Judy Cavazos has scored a 9.80 or higher in all eight meets this season. She recorded a 9.925 on Saturday at Illinois, the highest individual score by any Minnesota gymnast this season. **Cavazos** owns the Minnesota record on the beam at 9.95.

Cavazos has scored a 9.80 or higher on the floor exercise in all eight meets this season, with a season-high 9.9 Saturday. She has a season average of 9.845 and a share of the school record at 9.95.

ABOUT IOWA — The Hawkeyes have struggled with injuries during the season, most notably to 1998 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year Giselle Boniforti, who was injured during a dismount from the balance beam on Jan. 17 and hasn't competed since.

Iowa has a 5-8 overall record. The Hawkeyes fell to Iowa State on Feb. 25, 194.850-189.700. Junior Courtney Burke tied her season high in the all around with a 38.825.

Minnesota defeated Iowa, 194.275-187.725, on Feb. 13 at the Sports Pavilion. **Judy Cavazos** won the all around title and the uneven bars and tied for first on the floor exercise. Minnesota swept the top four places in all four individual events.

ABOUT IOWA STATE — The No. 17 Cyclones are 6-3 on the season after defeating Iowa on Saturday. Jessy Smith recorded 9.775 or higher on all four events, leading to a team season-high 39.250 all around score. Sarah Stayberg scored 9.925 on the uneven bars.

Minnesota needed a comeback to defeat then-No. 12 Iowa State, 193.375-191.075, at the Sports Pavilion on Feb. 6. The Cyclones led 144.875-144.775 after third rotations, but the first five Iowa State athletes fell from the balance beam in the last rotation, leading to a meet-low team event score of 46.250. The Golden Gophers responded with a score of 48.650 on the floor exercise, including a sweep of the top three places. Minnesota athletes won or tied for the lead in all four individual events.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson are in their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year

honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 25-11 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. Stephenson has a career record of 98-94, with a record of 73-83 in his first five years at Minnesota. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson is in her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Meg Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

THE TEAM RANKING (Feb. 23) —

1. Alabama	196.309
2. Georgia	196.157
3. Utah	195.471
4. LSU	195.160
5. Michigan	194.554
6. Penn State	194.432
7. Nebraska	193.996
8. Arizona State	193.975
9. Stanford	193.846
10. Minnesota	193.550
11. UCLA	193.459
12. West Virginia	193.420
13. Oklahoma	193.331
14. Oregon State	193.211
15. Ohio State	193.082
16. Denver	193.004
17. Iowa State	192.758
18. Florida	192.700
19. Utah State	192.583
20. Central Michigan	192.438
21. Washington	192.400
22. Brigham Young	192.388
23. Missouri	192.282
24. Maryland	192.263
25. Illinois	192.229

OTHER TEAM RANKINGS —

Event	Rank	Average Score
Vault	25	48.196
Uneven bars	13	48.446
Balance beam	14	48.096
Floor exercise	7	48.811

UP NEXT — Minnesota returns home to face West Virginia on Friday, March 12, in the Sports Pavilion.

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 7-4 Dual: 4-2 Home: 5-1 Away: 2-2 Neutral: 0-1 Big Ten: 3-0 Top 25: 3-3

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of MN	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #5 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 vs. #2 Utah	194.175	194.600	48.200	48.475	48.725	48.725	48.650	49.050	48.600	48.350
1/30 at #1 Alabama	194.650	196.025	48.600	48.750	48.825	49.550	48.350	48.375	48.875	49.350
2/6 vs. #12 Iowa State	193.375	191.075	48.275	48.300	48.275	48.450	48.175	46.250	48.650	48.075
2/13 vs. Iowa	194.275	187.725	48.325	47.450	48.950	46.075	48.175	46.175	48.825	48.025
2/20 at #12 West Virginia	192.425	195.175	48.250	48.600	48.275	49.000	46.825	48.375	49.075	49.200
vs. North Carolina State		193.200		48.375		48.225		47.850		48.750
2/27 at #25 Illinois	194.900	194.475	48.750	48.100	49.250	48.900	47.775	48.750	49.125	48.725
3/5 at Iowa										
3/7 at Iowa State										
3/12 vs. West Virginia										
3/21 vs. Denver										
3/27 Big Ten Championships										

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT

VAULT	9.825	Shynyn Lancaster	vs. West Virginia, N.C. State, 2/20
UNEVEN BARS	9.925	Judy Cavazos	at #25 Illinois, 2/27
BALANCE BEAM	9.875	Cathy Keyser	vs. #12 Iowa State, 2/6
FLOOR EXERCISE	9.900	Judy Cavazos	at #25 Illinois, 2/27
ALL-AROUND	39.000	Judy Cavazos	at #5 Michigan, 1/15
TEAM VAULT	48.750		at #25 Illinois, 2/27
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	49.250		at #25 Illinois, 2/27
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	48.650		vs. #2 Utah, 1/23
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	49.125		at #25 Illinois, 2/27
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	194.900		at #25 Illinois, 2/27

1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

- 9 Northwest Open **unscored**
 16 at Badger Classic **unscored**
 (Madison, Wis.)
 23 at Wis.-Stout 5th (48 points)
 30 Minnesota Classic 1st (89 points)

February

- 5-6 at Iowa State Invitational **unscored**
 (Ames, Iowa)
 13 Minnesota Open **unscored**
 20-21 at Big Ten Championships
 (Ohio State) 7th (66.33 points)
 26 Iowa State Qualifier **unscored**

March

- 5-6 at NCAA Championships
 (Indianapolis)
 21-28 Spring Trip
 (Rice University)

Home meets in **bold** at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

- 2-3 at Texas Relays
 (Austin, Texas)
 10 at Sun Devil Invitational
 (Arizona State)
 17 at UNI Invitational
 at St. Olaf Invitational
 23-24 at Penn Relays
 (Philadelphia, Pa.)
 24-25 at Drake Relays
 (Des Moines, Iowa)
 25 at Macalaster Invitational
 (St. Paul, Minn.)

May

- 1 **Heartland Classic** 10 a.m.
 1 at Iowa Invitational 10 a.m.
 8 **Minnesota Open** 10 a.m.
 8 at North Carolina Invitational
 15 **Minnesota Qualifier** 10 a.m.
 21-23 at Big Ten Championships
 (Purdue)

June

- 2-5 at NCAA Championships
 (Boise State)

Home meets in **bold** at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

at NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships
 Saturday, March 6
 Indianapolis

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TWO TO COMPETE AT NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS — Junior **Christine Gulbrandsen** (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole) and sophomore **Aubrey Schmitt** (Hastings, Minn./Hastings) will compete at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships in Indianapolis on Saturday, March 6.

ABOUT THE ATHLETES — **Gulbrandsen** won the 1999 Big Ten Indoor triple jump title a week ago with a school-record leap of 42 feet, 10 1/4 inches. That mark is the sixth-best in the nation this season. She also placed fourth in both the long jump and the pole vault. **Gulbranden** is making her first trip to the NCAA Championships and will compete in the triple jump.

Schmitt, who won the Big Ten indoor shot put title a week ago after winning the outdoor title in 1998, will compete at the NCAA Championships for the third time. She won the shot put with a career-best throw of 52-9 1/4, just 3/4 inch off the school record of 52-10 set in 1991 by Rachel Lewis. **Schmitt** placed 11th in the indoor shot put in 1998, becoming just the third first-year athlete in Minnesota history to compete at the national championship. **Schmitt** competed at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in both the shot put and the discus, placing 10th and 17th, respectively.

GOPHER REWIND: TWO COMPETE AT IOWA STATE QUALIFIER — Junior **Minna Haronoja** (Illo, Finland/Vammala) and sophomore **Corinne Nimtz** (Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie) competed at the Iowa State Qualifier on Friday in Ames, Iowa. **Haronoja** placed third in the 3000 meters in a time of 9 minutes, 59.02 seconds, while **Nimtz** placed fourth in the 5000 meters in a personal-best 17:04.28.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — Head coach Gary Wilson is in his 14th season at Minnesota. Wilson guided the Golden Gophers to the NCAA Cross Country Championships for the second consecutive year in 1998. The cross country team also finished third at both the Big Ten meet and the NCAA regional meet for the second consecutive year. Along the way, junior **Rasa Michniovaite** won the individual title at the regional meet and earned All-America honors by placing 16th. Wilson also coached the Minnesota track and field team to top-25 finishes at the NCAA outdoor championships in 1990, 1991, 1995 and 1996.

Minnesota Indoor Track and Field Records Set in 1999

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|----------------|-----------|-----------------------|------|
| • 60 meters | 7.74 | Kim Heath | 1/9 |
| • 400 meters | 56.10 | Yvette White | 2/21 |
| • 60 hurdles | 8.72 | Yvette White | 1/16 |
| • Triple Jump | 42-10 1/4 | Christine Gulbrandsen | 2/21 |
| • Pole Vault | 11-6 | Christine Gulbrandsen | 2/13 |
| • Weight Throw | 59-9 1/2 | Aubrey Schmitt | 2/21 |

1999 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

60 Meters

1. Kim Heath (a)	7.74*
2. Yvette White (f)	7.91
3. Pattie Galle (a)	8.21

200 meters

1. Yvette White (f)	25.10
2. Neketa Sears (g)	25.34
3. Pattie Galle (f)	25.84

400 meters

1. Yvette White (g)	56.10*
2. Neketa Sears (g)	56.63
3. Pattie Galle (a)	60.99

600 meters

1. Yvette White (b)	1:34.47
2. Jenny Moylan (f)	1:38.05
3. Neketa Sears (b)	1:38.93

800 meters

1. Jenny Moylan (e)	2:15.88
2. Gena Johnson (c)	2:17.77
3. Neketa Sears (a)	2:28.45

1000 meters

1. Rasa Michniovaite (f)	2:54.68
2. Rachel Domenichetti (f)	3:06.54
3. Christine Harper (f)	3:06.67

Mile

1. Victoria Moses (e)	4:59.81
2. Elaine Eggleston (e)	5:01.76
3. Gena Johnson (e)	5:05.55

1500 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (f)	4:42.14
2. Deb Hudleston (f)	4:51.86
3. Kristine Hartmark (f)	5:01.28

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (g)	9:50.16
2. Corinne Nimtzt (b)	10:04.69
3. Elaine Eggleston (g)	10:07.56

5000 meters

1. Corinne Nimtzt (h)	17:04.28
2. Victoria Moses (d)	17:34.39
3. Elaine Eggleston (g)	17:39.00

60 meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	8.72*
2. Neketa Sears (a)	8.79
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	9.48

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Smith, Sears (b)	3:52.58
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Distance Medley Relay

1. Johnson, White, Moylan, Michniovaite (g)	11:50.91
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Long Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (g)	19-1 1/4 (5.82)
2. Stacie Blaskowski (d)	15-9 (4.80)
3. Anna Chalin (e)	13-8 1/4 (4.17)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	42-10 1/4 (13.06)*#
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Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (f)	52-9 1/4 (16.08)#
2. Nicole Chimko (e)	47-8 1/2 (14.54)
3. Jenney Luer (b)	41-1 3/4 (12.54)

Weight Throw

1. Aubrey Schmitt (g)	59-9 3/4 (18.23)*#
2. Brenda Meyer (f)	53-0 1/4 (16.16)
3. Angie Hill (e)	52-6 (16.00)

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (f)	11-6 (3.51)*#
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	10-2 (3.10)

* School Record

NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, Wis.)

(c) Wisconsin-Stout Invitational (Menomonie, Wis.)

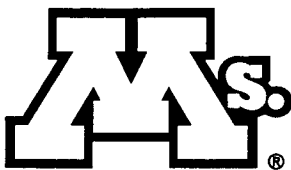
(d) Minnesota Classic (Minneapolis)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)

(f) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis)

(g) Big Ten Championships (Columbus, Ohio)

(h) Iowa State Qualifier (Ames, Iowa)



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 Minnesota Inv.
3rd of 13 teams
- 25-27 Lady Northern
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
8th of 14 teams

OCTOBER

- 12-13 Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot Out
(Bloomington, Ind.)
11th of 15 teams
- 23-24 Notre Dame Inv.
(Bonita Springs, Fla.)
3rd of 13 teams

FEBRUARY

- 27-28 Midwest Classic
(Dallas, Tex.)
1st of 13 teams

MARCH

- 8-9 Peggy Kirk Invitational
(Winter Springs, Fla.)
- 27-28 Myrtle Beach Classic
(Myrtle Beach, S.C.)

APRIL

- 10-11 Indiana Invitational
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 17-18 Hawkeye Invitational
(Iowa City, Iowa)
- 24-25 Buckeye Invitational
(Columbus, Ohio)
- 30 Big Ten Championship
(West Lafayette, Ind.)

MAY

- 1-2 Big Ten Championship
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 6-8 NCAA East Regional
(U. of South Carolina)
- 19-22 NCAA Championship
(Tulsa University)

Home tournament played at the U. of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course



Minnesota Golf 1998-99

Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational
Monday-Tuesday, March 8-9
Winter Springs, Fla.

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GOLDEN GOPHERS HEAD TO THE SUNSHINE STATE – The University of Minnesota women’s golf team travels to Winter Springs, Fla., early next week (March 8-9) to compete in the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational. Rollins College will serve as the host of the tournament. The tournament field consists of 17 teams, including Minnesota, Indiana, Michigan State and Penn State from the Big Ten Conference. The tournament will be played at the 6,031-yard, par-72 Windermere Country Club.

LAST YEAR AT THE PEGGY KIRK BELL – Minnesota placed ninth of 17 teams at last year’s Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational. Campbell posted a team score of 604, 28 shots over par, to capture the title. The Gophers, who tallied a team score of 653, were led by two golfers who finished in a tie for 34th place with a 163, Amy Dahle and **Melanie Lepp (Easton, Minn./United South Central)**.

GOPHERS WIN MIDWEST CLASSIC – The Golden Gophers opened their spring season in grand style, capturing the team title in the Midwest Classic. Minnesota won the 13-team tournament, which included seven Big Ten schools, with a score of 627. Senior **Michelle Ballou (Chaska, Minn./Chaska)** placed second with a 36-hole total of 152 (77-75), two shots behind champion Suzanne Walker’s (Illinois State) score of 150. Senior **Melanie Lepp** finished third with a score of 154 (76-78).

Two other Gophers finished in the top 20. **Donna Boom (Albert Lea, Minn./Albert Lea)** tied for 16th at 161 (82-79), while **Jenny Bruun (Crookston, Minn./Central)** tied for 20th at 163 (81-82). **Katie Bakken (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center)** competed on an individual basis and placed in a tie for 24th at 164 (78-86). **Kristi Weichert (Caledonia, Minn./Caledonia)** completed the Gophers’ contingent with a 31st-place finish at 167 (88-79).

Midwest Classic
Hyatt Bear Creek G.C.
Dallas, Texas
February 27-28, 1999

Team Scores

1.	Minnesota	316	311	627
2.	Penn State	322	323	645
3.	Wisconsin	325	323	648
4.	Northwestern	325	324	649
5.	Michigan State	338	314	652
6.	Kent	334	325	659
7.	Michigan	336	328	664
8.	Ohio	342	323	665
9.	Southern Illinois	326	341	667
10.	Illinois State	343	346	689
11.	Illinois	356	335	691
12.	Notre Dame	353	350	703
13.	Northern Illinois	367	343	710

A LOOK AHEAD – The Golden Gophers next competition will be March 27-28 at the Taylor Made Myrtle Beach Classic in Myrtle Beach, S.C.



1998-99 Minnesota Basketball Schedule

Overall: 7-20 Big Ten: 2-14

November

5	Shelen (exhibition)	W, 75-63
17	Illinois State	W, 67-63
20-22	at Hawaiian Regent Classic (Honolulu, Hawaii)	
20	at Hawaii	L, 52-63
21	vs. Kansas	L, 53-62 (OT)
22	vs. Massachusetts	W, 64-56
28-29	Gopher Basketball Classic	
28	Bradley	W, 84-59
29	UNLV	L, 61-75

December

2	at Howard	L, 51-53
4	at Georgetown	L, 65-72
16	at S. Florida	W, 68-64 (OT)
19	at Stetson	W, 62-57
28	at Wisconsin*	L, 59-70
30	at Purdue*	L, 52-73

January

3	Penn State*	L, 43-72
5	Iowa*	L, 58-66
10	at Michigan*	W, 54-47
15	at Northwestern*	W, 70-68
17	Indiana*	L, 66-80
22	at Michigan State*	L, 58-73
24	at Ohio State*	L, 42-68
29	Illinois*	L, 69-88
31	Northwestern*	L, 53-66

February

5	Michigan*	L, 65-88
12	at Iowa*	L, 62-79
14	at Penn State*	L, 56-88
19	Purdue*	L, 61-63
21	Wisconsin*	L, 56-69
26-1	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis)	
26	Michigan	L, 55-74

Home games in bold are played at the Sports Pavilion

*Big Ten Games

Minnesota Basketball 1998-99

END OF 1998-99 SEASON

7-20 Overall Record

2-14 Big Ten Record

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The University of Minnesota women's basketball team completed its 1998-99 season last Friday with a 74-55 loss to Michigan in the first round of the 1999 Big Ten Tournament. **Sonja Robinson (Scottsdale, Ariz./Chapparral)** was an honorable mention selection by the media in its voting for the All-Big Ten team. Minnesota was one victory shy of doubling its victory total from each of the past three seasons. The Gophers had a .500 non-conference record this season for the first time since 1994-95, finishing its 10 non-league games at 5-5.

HEAD COACH CHERYL LITTLEJOHN — Minnesota head coach **Cheryl Littlejohn** finishes her second season as the Gopher leader and has a 11-43 (.204) record in her two-year collegiate career. **Littlejohn** served as an assistant coach at Alabama the previous three seasons. She also was an assistant coach at North Carolina State. **Littlejohn** played at Tennessee under Pat Summitt and won a national championship in three Final Four appearances.

GOPHER REWIND: MICHIGAN — The Wolverines scored 19 of the first 21 points of the game and defeated the Gophers 74-55 in the first round of the 1999 Big Ten Tournament at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis. Minnesota rallied to cut the deficit to 35-28 at halftime, but could get not closer in the second half. **Theresa LeCuyer (Anoka, Minn./Anoka)** scored a career-high 22 points and led the Gophers with seven rebounds. Michigan's Stacey Thomas had 18 points to lead four Wolverines in double figures.

ROBINSON NAMED HONORABLE MENTION ALL-BIG TEN — One of the hardest-working frontcourt players in America was rewarded for her efforts Friday, as **Sonja Robinson** earned honorable mention honors from the Big Ten's media. **Robinson** is 5-11, and normally started against players that are considerably taller than she is. That did not prevent her from compiling some impressive numbers for the Gophers. **Robinson** led Minnesota in scoring at 9.7 points per game and rebounding at 7.1 rebounds per game. She set a career high with 20 points at Michigan State on Jan. 22. **Robinson** has established new career highs in a season with 263 points and 193 rebounds. **Robinson** scored 10 or more points 13 times and led or shared the lead in Gopher scoring nine times. She had five of Minnesota's seven double-figure rebounding efforts this season.

LeCUYER FINISHES SEASON STRONG — Sophomore forward **Theresa LeCuyer** finished the season with some of her best statistical numbers. She scored 13 points against Purdue and a career-high 22 points against Michigan, giving her an average of 13.3 points per game over the final three games. **LeCuyer** led Minnesota in rebounds four of the last five games, averaging 5.8 rebounds per contest. She ended the season third on the Minnesota roster in points (8.1 per game) and tied for second in rebounds (4.4 per game).

HERE COMES CASSIE — A first-year player led the Gophers in scoring for the Big Ten season. Guard **Cassie VanderHeyden (East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis)** averaged 10.3 points per conference game, helped by a career-high 24 points at Iowa on Feb. 12 and 21 points at Wisconsin in the Big Ten opener Dec. 28. **VanderHeyden** scored in double figures in 11 games, nine of which came in the Big Ten season. **VanderHeyden** was one of two Gophers to lead Minnesota with 33 steals. She tore the ACL in her right knee in the first half of the Wisconsin game and did not play against Michigan. She will undergo surgery later in March and is expected to be ready for the start of next season.

VANDERHEYDEN MOVES UP — **Cassie VanderHeyden** finished her first season with 56 triples, the most by any Minnesota first-year player in history. **VanderHeyden** is second on Minnesota's single-season three-point list, trailing record holder Shannon Loeblein by seven three-pointers. The list:

1.	Shannon Loeblein	63	1994-95
2.	Cassie VanderHeyden	56	1998-99
3.	Jodi Olson	48	1989-90
4.	Lea Blackwell	45	1988-89
5.	Stacey Carver	43	1992-93
	Sarah Schieber	43	1997-98

TATE FINISHES SOLID FIRST SEASON — First-year **Jackie Tate (Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula)** was not one of Minnesota's flashiest players during the season, but she was certainly one of the Gophers' most effective players. **Tate** led Minnesota in field goal percentage (.431) and free throw percentage (.830). Her free throw percentage for a season was Minnesota's second-best mark over the past seven seasons, topped only by Sarah Klun's .885 percentage in 1996-97. **Tate**, who was third on the team in minutes played, tied for second among Gophers with 4.4 rebounds per game, tied for third with 22 steals and was fifth in scoring at 6.3 points per game.

RING THE BELL — **Kim Bell (Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn)** blocked three shots against Michigan, giving her 42 for the season. She is third in the Big Ten in blocked shots for overall games (1.75 per game) and conference games (1.81 per game). She has blocked 42 shots in 246 minutes this season, which averages to a block every 5.9 minutes per game.

BENCH STRENGTH — Minnesota's bench was a source of strength this season, outscoring its opponents in 21 of 27 games. In the game against Michigan on Friday, the two benches scored 17 points each, the first time during the Minnesota season that substitute scoring was even. For the season, Minnesota's bench had an advantage of 667-432, an 8.7 point-per-game surplus.

1998-99 Minnesota Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown/High School
3	Antoinetta Blevins	G	Jr.	5-7	Marion Junction, Ala./Wallace State CC
4	Erin Olson	G	Jr.	5-7	Mitchell, S.D./Mitchell
5	Brandi Harris	G	Jr.	5-8	Long Beach, Calif./Cowley County CC
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Sr.	5-7	Donaldsonville, La./Como Park (Minn.)
11	Cassie VanderHeyden	G	Fr.	5-6	East Bethel, Minn./St. Francis
12	Mindy Hansen	G	Sr.	5-9	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
15	Jackie Tate	F	Fr.	6-1	Eufaula, Ala./Eufaula
21	Sonja Robinson	F	Sr.	5-11	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
23	Moneeke Bowden	F	Jr.	6-2	Bakersfield, Calif./Cowley County CC
30	Brandy Pickens	C	So.	6-2	Flint, Mich./Powers Catholic
33	Theresa LeCuyer	F	So.	6-1	Anoka, Minn./Anoka
35	Erin Schaffer	F	Fr.	6-1	Redfield, S.D./Redfield
45	Ngozi Okechukwa	C	Fr.	6-3	Anambra, Nigeria/De La Salle (Minn.)
54	Kim Bell	C	Fr.	6-7	Minneapolis, Minn./Washburn

Head Coach: Cheryl Littlejohn (2nd year)
 Assistant Coaches: Tori Harrison, Jody Adams, Marc Wilson
 Coordinator of Basketball Operations: Robin Hester

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON SCHEDULE- RESULTS & LEADERS - as of 02/26/99
ALL GAMES

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(7-20)	(2-9)	(4-9)	(1-2)
CONFERENCE.....	(2-14)	(0-8)	(2-6)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-6)	(2-1)	(2-3)	(1-2)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	W/L	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11/17/98	7 p.m.	ILLINOIS STATE	67-63	W	533	(10)Tate, Jackie (10)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Tate, Jackie
11/20/98	5 p.m.	! at Hawaii	52-63	L	1727	(15)Bowden, Moneeke	(7)Tate, Jackie (7)LeCuyer, Theresa
11/21/98	1 p.m.	! vs Kansas	53-62	L OT	1690	(11)Olson, Erin (11)Taylor, Swantreca	(13)Robinson, Sonja
11/22/98	3 p.m.	! vs Massachusetts	64-56	W	1858	(16)Robinson, Sonja (16)LeCuyer, Theresa	(8)Olson, Erin (8)Robinson, Sonja
11/28/98	2 p.m.	@ BRADLEY	84-59	W	1022	(17)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
11/29/98	3 p.m.	@ UNLV	61-75	L	929	(18)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja
12/02/98	7 p.m.	at Howard	51-53	L	246	(16)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Robinson, Sonja (9)LeCuyer, Theresa
12/04/98	8 p.m.	at Georgetown	65-72	L	615	(16)Olson, Erin	(10)Robinson, Sonja
12/16/98	7 p.m.	at South Florida	68-64	W OT	110	(13)Olson, Erin (13)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Bowden, Moneeke
12/19/98	7 p.m.	at Stetson	62-57	W	242	(16)Tate, Jackie	(9)Tate, Jackie
12/28/98	7 p.m.	* at Wisconsin	59-70	L	8760	(21)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(11)Robinson, Sonja
12/30/98	7:30 p.m.	* at Purdue	52-73	L	9330	(13)Olson, Erin	(7)Tate, Jackie
1/3/99	2 p.m.	* PENN STATE	43-72	L	2081	(16)Harris, Brandi	(7)VanderHeyden, Cassie (7)Robinson, Sonja
1/5/99	7 p.m.	* IOWA	58-66	L	1446	(12)Harris, Brandi	(5)Robinson, Sonja (5)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/10/99	7 p.m.	* at Michigan	54-47	W	796	(17)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(12)LeCuyer, Theresa
1/15/99	7 p.m.	* at Northwestern	70-68	W	770	(15)Robinson, Sonja	(9)Olson, Erin (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/17/99	2 p.m.	* INDIANA	66-80	L	1937	(20)Harris, Brandi	(9)Harris, Brandi (9)Robinson, Sonja
1/22/99	7:30 p.m.	* at Michigan State	58-73	L	1213	(20)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
1/24/99	2 p.m.	* at Ohio State	42-68	L	9117	(10)Robinson, Sonja	(10)Bell, Kim
1/29/99	7 p.m.	* ILLINOIS	69-88	L	1228	(12)Robinson, Sonja	(8)Robinson, Sonja
1/31/99	2 p.m.	* NORTHWESTERN	53-66	L	1372	(16)Bowden, Moneeke	(10)Robinson, Sonja
2/5/99	7 p.m.	* MICHIGAN	65-88	L	1410	(18)Blevins, Antoinetta	(5)Blevins, Antoinetta
2/12/99	7 p.m.	* at Iowa	62-79	L	3823	(24)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(6)LeCuyer, Theresa
2/14/99	2 p.m.	* at Penn State	56-88	L	7196	(17)VanderHeyden, Cassie	(5)LeCuyer, Theresa
2/19/99	7 p.m.	* PURDUE	61-63	L	4902	(13)LeCuyer, Theresa	(7)LeCuyer, Theresa
2/21/99	2 p.m.	* WISCONSIN	56-69	L	2985	(22)Hansen, Mindy	(11)Robinson, Sonja
2/26/99	8 p.m.	# vs Michigan	55-74	L		(22)LeCuyer, Theresa	(7)LeCuyer, Theresa

* Big Ten ! Hawaiian Regent Wahine Classic @ Golden Gopher Basketball Classic # Big Ten Tournament

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY:	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	19,845	1,804
AWAY.....	43,945	3,380
NEUTRAL.....	3,548	1,774
TOTAL.....	67,338	2,590

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 02/26/99
ALL GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		F T - F T A		P C T		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - A V G						
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG	PTS	AVG														
21 Robinson, Sanja	27	24	904	33.5	111	276	.402	0	1	.000	41	59	.695	87	106	193	7.1	69	1	30	53	8	30	263	9.7	
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	26	6	507	19.5	79	224	.353	56	168	.333	29	38	.763	14	40	54	2.1	55	2	42	63	0	33	243	9.3	
33 LeOuyer, Theresa	27	16	554	20.5	74	176	.420	6	13	.462	64	106	.604	48	72	120	4.4	49	1	39	48	3	22	218	8.1	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	26	9	462	17.8	59	174	.339	12	37	.324	40	74	.541	32	65	97	3.7	79	4	14	46	5	21	170	6.5	
15 Tate, Jackie	27	9	684	25.3	62	144	.431	1	2	.500	44	53	.830	51	69	120	4.4	64	3	27	53	10	22	169	6.3	
04 Olson, Erin	27	20	828	30.7	51	157	.325	13	35	.371	35	48	.729	12	92	104	3.9	43	1	92	77	12	33	150	5.6	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	22	6	288	13.1	35	103	.340	6	25	.240	21	37	.568	13	27	40	1.8	40	1	37	43	0	7	97	4.4	
05 Harris, Brandi	27	11	317	11.7	40	123	.325	24	62	.387	13	26	.500	24	27	51	1.9	50	2	15	56	0	19	117	4.3	
12 Hansen, Mindy	27	7	330	12.2	38	94	.404	1	8	.125	6	15	.400	28	22	50	1.9	34	0	25	42	2	7	83	3.1	
54 Bell, Kim	24	9	246	10.3	23	62	.371	0	0	.000	11	17	.647	21	45	66	2.8	58	3	4	35	42	5	57	2.4	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	22	18	267	12.1	10	42	.238	1	5	.200	10	15	.667	18	14	32	1.5	26	0	25	23	0	17	31	1.4	
30 Pickens, Brandy	13	0	52	4.0	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	5	9	.556	2	12	14	1.1	10	0	2	1	0	0	7	0.5	
35 Schaffer, Erin	5	0	11	2.2	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	3	1	4	0.8	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.2	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														59	66	125										
Minnesota	27		5450		583	1579	.369	120	356	.337	320	499	.641	412	658	1070	39.6	577	18	352	552	82	217	1606	59.5	
Opponents	27		5450		649	1568	.414	118	334	.353	440	651	.676	373	682	1055	39.1	473	415	466	110	245	1856	68.7		

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	884	954	18	0	0	0	1856
Minnesota	715	878	13	0	0	0	1606

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SEASON BOX SCORE - as of 02/26/99
CONFERENCE GAMES

P L A Y E R	GP-GS	MIN-AVG	T O T A L		3-POINTERS		F T - F T A		P C T		R E B O U N D S				PF-FO	A	T O	B L K	S T	P T S - A V G						
			FG-FGA	PCT	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF-DEF	TOT-AVG	PTS	AVG														
11 VanderHeyden, Cassi	16	4	334	20.9	52	144	.361	38	109	.349	22	29	.759	11	26	37	2.3	38	1	27	44	0	20	164	10.3	
21 Robinson, Sanja	16	13	546	34.1	60	164	.366	0	1	.000	21	28	.750	46	65	111	6.9	40	0	23	35	2	15	141	8.8	
15 Tate, Jackie	16	3	395	24.7	36	93	.387	1	2	.500	30	34	.882	28	32	60	3.8	39	3	14	29	6	14	103	6.4	
05 Harris, Brandi	16	11	232	14.5	34	91	.374	21	52	.404	12	23	.522	18	19	37	2.3	34	2	12	43	0	15	101	6.3	
23 Bowden, Moneeke	15	5	243	16.2	34	92	.370	7	21	.333	18	35	.514	17	30	47	3.1	51	4	4	24	1	9	93	6.2	
33 LeOuyer, Theresa	16	7	281	17.6	32	81	.395	2	4	.500	24	45	.533	23	37	60	3.8	24	0	25	22	2	12	90	5.6	
03 Blevins, Antoinetta	12	2	161	13.4	22	51	.431	5	9	.556	10	17	.588	7	14	21	1.8	19	0	28	26	0	3	59	4.9	
04 Olson, Erin	16	12	442	27.6	20	80	.250	4	16	.250	10	15	.667	4	40	44	2.8	21	0	54	44	7	15	54	3.4	
12 Hansen, Mindy	16	4	201	12.6	25	63	.397	1	6	.167	3	7	.429	13	11	24	1.5	19	0	16	27	1	6	54	3.4	
54 Bell, Kim	16	8	191	11.9	20	49	.408	0	0	.000	11	15	.733	18	34	52	3.3	50	3	4	23	29	5	51	3.2	
10 Taylor, Swantreca	13	11	132	10.2	5	18	.278	0	0	.000	0	2	.000	9	7	16	1.2	12	0	7	8	0	9	10	0.8	
30 Pickens, Brandy	6	0	37	6.2	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	2	3	.667	1	7	8	1.3	8	0	2	1	0	0	4	0.7	
35 Schaffer, Erin	3	0	5	1.7	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0	
TEAM REBOUNDS.....														43	43	86										
Minnesota	16		3200		341	928	.367	79	220	.359	163	253	.644	238	365	603	37.7	355	13	216	332	48	124	924	57.8	
Opponents	16		3200		396	912	.434	82	217	.378	284	423	.671	221	397	618	38.6	265	265	263	65	157	1158	72.4		

SCORE BY HALVES (and OTs):	1st	2nd	OT1	OT2	OT3	OT4	TOTAL
Opponents	561	597	0	0	0	0	1158
Minnesota	425	499	0	0	0	0	924

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Minnesota Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

- Tuesday, March 9**
GO at Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational
(Winter Springs, Fla.) 8 a.m.
- Wednesday, March 10**
GO at Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational
8 a.m.
- Thursday, March 11**
HC hosts Minnesota State, Mankato
(Midwest Showdown) 7:05 p.m.
- Friday, March 12**
GY hosts West Virginia 7 p.m.
SW/D at Zone C Diving TBA
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- Saturday, March 13**
SW/D at Zone C Diving TBA

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What's Coming Up

Hockey

- #3 Minnesota hosts Minnesota State, Mankato in the championship game of the Midwest Showdown

Gymnastics

- #14 Minnesota hosts #12 West Virginia

Golf

- Gophers finish play in Florida at the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational

Swimming and Diving

- Divers compete at NCAA Zone C Diving Regional

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- The Gophers defeat St. Cloud State in the Midwest Showdown

Softball

- #21 Minnesota defends its title at the Texas A&M Aggie Invitational with a 5-1 tournament record

Tennis

- Gophers add two wins, defeating Iowa State and Drake on the road

Gymnastics

- Gophers record the second-highest point total in school history at Iowa State

Swimming and Diving

- Eight swimmers earn NCAA Championship invitations

Track and Field

- Aubrey Schmitt earns All-America honors by placing second in the shot put at NCAA Indoor Championships

Swimmer **Jenny Hennen** (Anoka, Minn./Anoka) was named the Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for February. Hennen was the top scorer for the Gophers at the Big Ten Championships with 51 points, leading the team to their first-ever Big Ten title. She was the conference champion in the 200 butterfly with a Minnesota record time of 1 minute, 59.43 seconds and was a member of the 200, 400 and 800 free relay teams that set school record times at the conference meet.



1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule

Overall: 20-5 Big Ten: 0-0

FEBRUARY

12-14 Metrodome Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Missouri in semis)

18 North Carolina W, 3-1; W, 1-0

19-21 Triangle Classic
(7-0 record, co-champs with Marshall)

26-28 Troy Cox Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Texas Tech in quarters)

MARCH

5-7 Aggie II Invitational
(5-1 record, tournament champions)

22 at Florida State (2) 5:30 p.m.
24 at Bethune-Cook. (2) 3 p.m.
26 at South Florida (2) 5 p.m.
31 MSU, Mankato (2) 2 p.m.
(Rice Street Dome)

APRIL

3 at Purdue (2) 1 p.m.
4 at Purdue 1 p.m.
7 Drake (2) 3 p.m.
10 at Michigan (2) 1 p.m.
11 at Michigan 1 p.m.
13 at Iowa State (2) 3 p.m.
15 Northern Iowa (2) 3 p.m.
17 Penn State (2) 1 p.m.
18 Penn State Noon
21 at Wisconsin (2) 1 p.m.
24 Indiana (2) 1 p.m.
25 Indiana Noon
28 at Northwestern (2) 2 p.m.

MAY

1 at Michigan State (2) 1 p.m.
2 at Michigan State Noon
5 Iowa (2) 2 p.m.
8 Ohio State (2) 1 p.m.
9 Ohio State Noon
14-15 Big Ten Tournament TBA
20-23 NCAA Regionals TBA
27-31 NCAA Women's College
World Series (Oklahoma City)

* Big Ten games
Home games in **bold** at Bierman Softball Stadium, unless otherwise indicated.
Game times local to site.

Minnesota Softball 1999

Current Record: 20-5

Next Games: March 22 at Florida State

Current National Ranking: No. 21

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Minnesota (20-5), ranked 21st in the USA Today/NFCA coaches' poll, has the next two weeks off after winning the Aggie Invitational II in College Station, Texas. Minnesota won five of six games in the tourney, outscoring the opposition by a margin of 34-6. **Shannon Beeler (Shelton, Wash./Shelton)** is within two home runs of becoming the Big Ten's all-time home run leader. **Steph Klaviter (New Ulm, Minn./Cathedral)** won her 68th career game last Friday against Texas A&M, becoming the school's all-time winningest pitcher.

MINNESOTA'S CO-COACHES — Minnesota co-head coach **Lisa Bernstein** is in her eighth season at the school. Her overall record is 260-187-1 (.582). **Bernstein** won her 250th game in the Triangle Classic, defeating Ball State in the Gophers' first game Feb. 21. In the last three-plus seasons, Minnesota has won 70 percent of its games and qualified for two NCAA tournaments.

Minnesota co-head coach **Julie Standering** was elevated to her current position Jan. 22, and has a Minnesota career record of 20-5 (.800). **Standering** was an assistant coach at Minnesota from 1992-96 and had been the associate head coach of the Gophers for the past two seasons.

ROAD TRIP REVIEW — Minnesota went 5-1 in the Aggie Invitational II to defend their championship in the tournament. The Gophers had the same record as tournament host Texas A&M, but won the tournament based on fewest runs allowed. It is the second tournament that Minnesota has won this season after winning a co-championship at the Triangle Classic in February.

March 5: Minnesota 8, Butler 0 — Minnesota scored in every inning to invoke the eight-run rule after five innings. **Tammi Hays (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)** had three hits and **Shannon Beeler** had two hits, including her fifth home run of the season. **Rayny Camacho (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)** threw her first shutout of the season and second of her career, limiting the Bulldogs to three hits in five innings.

Minnesota 2, Texas A&M 0 — **Steph Klaviter** pitched the third one-hitter of her season and the fifth of her career in blanking the Aggies. The win was the 68th of her career, breaking the Minnesota career record of 67 wins set by Brenda Bixby from 1988-92. **Shannon Beeler** provided all of the Gopher offense with her sixth home run of the season, a two-run shot in the first inning.

March 6: Minnesota 6, Butler 1 — **Shannon Beeler** had three hits, two runs scored and three runs batted in to lead the Gophers to victory. One of **Beeler's** hits was her seventh home run of the season, a mammoth shot that was one of the longest ever hit at the Aggie Softball Field, according to Texas A&M personnel. **Michelle Harrison** pitched a four-hitter to record her fifth victory of the season.

Texas A&M 2, Minnesota 0 — Aggie pitcher Amy Vining limited the Gophers to one hit, a sixth-inning single by **Erin Mooney (Vancouver, Wash./Jesuit)**. Minnesota committed five errors, which led to both Texas A&M runs. **Steph Klaviter** took the loss, scattering six hits over seven innings.

March 7: Minnesota 10, Dayton 3 — Minnesota rallied from a 3-2 deficit with six fifth-inning runs and cruised to the victory from that point. The Gophers sent 12 batters to the plate in the fifth inning. **Steph Midthun (Rio Rancho, N.M./Cibola)** had three hits and three runs scored, including a run-scoring single in the decisive fifth inning.

Michelle Harrison pitched the final 2 2/3 innings to win her sixth game of the season.

Minnesota 8, Dayton 0 — Minnesota used a five-run third inning to complete a doubleheader sweep of the Flyers.

Steph Midthun had her second three-hit game of the day, including two doubles and two runs scored. **Erin Brophy (Crystal, Minn./Robbinsdale)** also had two doubles for Minnesota, driving in two runs. The Gophers had seven doubles in their season-high hit total of 14 hits. **Michelle Harrison** won her third game of the tournament with four scoreless innings.

BEELER CONTINUES THE RECORD CHASE — Minnesota shortstop **Shannon Beeler** has shattered many of the records in the Gopher record book, both single season and career. No Gopher has hit more home runs than **Beeler**, and no Gopher has driven in more runs than **Beeler**, either in a single season or a career. Since that measure of comparison is gone, **Beeler** must now be compared to the greatest players in Big Ten and NCAA history. With her three home runs in College Station, **Beeler** pulled to within one home run of the all-time Big Ten home record, held by Monica Armendarez of Indiana. She has moved within four RBI of ninth place on the NCAA all-time RBI list, and is on pace to move into the top five before the season is finished. The data:

NCAA DIVISION I CAREER LEADERS

HOME RUNS

1. Leah Braatz, Arizona	85
11. Kelli Metzger, Akron*	41
12. Nina Lindenberg, Fresno St./LBSU	40
Chelo Lopez, Cal State Northridge	40
14. Monica Armendarez, Indiana	38
15. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota*	37
Shannon Tanski, Liberty	37

RUNS BATTED IN

1. Jenny Dalton, Arizona	328
7. Nina Lindenberg, Fresno St./LBSU	218
8. Sara Pickering, Washington	216
9. Ali Viola, Nebraska	213
10. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota*	209

* denotes active players

THE DEUCE DRIVES ON — Minnesota center fielder **Steph Midthun** can occasionally get overlooked on a team that hits as many home runs as the Gophers do. However, do not underestimate the impact that the Minnesota leadoff has on the Gopher offense. **Midthun** had a big weekend in Texas, hitting .526 (10-for-19) with four stolen bases and seven runs scored. She leads the Gophers with a .402 batting average, 33 hits and 10 stolen bases. **Midthun** has not been caught stealing this season. She is tied with **Shannon Beeler** for team leadership with 22 runs scored. **Midthun** needs nine hits to become the seventh Gopher in history with 200 career hits. She is tied for fourth on the all-time career list with 129 runs scored and is fourth with 61 stolen bases. A career .345 hitter, **Midthun's** average has risen in every year of her career.

KLAVITER BREAKS WINS RECORD — **Steph Klaviter**

is Minnesota's all-time winningest pitcher after winning her 68th game Friday at Texas A&M. She broke the record previously held by Brenda Bixby, who won 67 games from 1988-92. **Klaviter**, who has won 73 percent of her games at Minnesota, is in second place on the Gopher all-time list with 299 strikeouts and is tied for fifth with 16 shutouts. She now has thrown 603 innings in her Gopher career, becoming the third Minnesota pitcher in history to do so.

KLAVITER TO PARTICIPATE IN USA SOFTBALL NATIONAL TEAM FESTIVAL — **Steph Klaviter**

has been chosen to participate in the 1999 Coca-Cola USA Softball Women's National Team Festival from June 8-14 in Fresno, Calif. **Klaviter** will be one of 60 players in the Festival. Ten players in the group have been chosen to participate as a member of the United States team at the 1999 Pan American Games. **Klaviter** will compete for one of the five remaining positions.

THE POLL — The Gophers are ranked 21st in the USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association poll. Minnesota moved up one spot from its No. 22 preseason ranking. The next poll will be released Wednesday.

WHAT'S NEXT — The Gophers' next action will be a six-game road trip to Florida, featuring doubleheaders at Florida State (Mar. 22, 5:30 p.m. EST), Bethune-Cookman (Mar. 24, 3 p.m. EST), and South Florida (Mar. 26, 5 p.m. EST).

1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule/Results

Metrodome Softball Classic (Minneapolis, Minn.)		
Feb. 12	W, 8-7	Western Illinois
	L, 7-0	Kansas
Feb. 13	W, 8-0 (5)	Northern Illinois
	W, 2-1	Missouri
Feb. 14	L, 4-3	Missouri

Feb. 18 W, 3-1 North Carolina
W, 1-0 (6) North Carolina

Triangle Classic (Raleigh, N.C.)		
Feb. 19	W, 7-5	Campbell
Feb. 20	W, 3-2	Akron
	W, 12-2 (5)	UNC-Wilmington
	W, 1-0 (8)	Virginia
Feb. 21	W, 3-2	Ball State
	W, 6-5 (8)	Maryland
	W, 1-0	Illinois-Chicago

Troy Cox Invitational (Las Cruces, N.M.)		
Feb. 26	W, 3-1 (9)	Wichita State
	W, 8-5	Utah
Feb. 27	W, 11-7	New Mexico State
	L, 5-1	Oregon State
	L, 5-0	Texas Tech

Aggie II Invitational (College Station, Texas)		
Mar. 5	W, 8-0 (5)	Butler
	W, 2-0	Texas A&M
Mar. 6	W, 6-1	Butler
	L, 2-0	Texas A&M
Mar. 7	W, 10-3	Dayton
	W, 8-0 (5)	Dayton

Mar. 22 5:30 p.m. Florida State
Florida State

Mar. 24 3 p.m. Bethune-Cookman
Bethune-Cookman

Mar. 26 5 p.m. South Florida
South Florida

Mar. 31 2 p.m. **MSU, MANKATO**
MSU, MANKATO

(Games played at Rice Street Dome)

Apr. 3 1 p.m. Purdue

Purdue

Apr. 4 1 p.m. Purdue

Apr. 7 3 p.m. DRAKE
DRAKE

Apr. 10 1 p.m. Michigan
Michigan

Apr. 11 1 p.m. Michigan

Apr. 13 3 p.m. Iowa State
Iowa State

Apr. 15 3 p.m. **NORTHERN IOWA**
NORTHERN IOWA

Apr. 17 1 p.m. **PENN STATE**
PENN STATE

Apr. 18 noon **PENN STATE**

Apr. 21 1 p.m. Wisconsin
Wisconsin

Apr. 24 1 p.m. **INDIANA**
INDIANA

Apr. 25 noon **INDIANA**

Apr. 28 2 p.m. Northwestern
Northwestern

May 1 1 p.m. Michigan State
Michigan State

May 2 noon Michigan State

May 5 2 p.m. **IOWA**
IOWA

May 8 1 p.m. **OHIO STATE**
OHIO STATE

May 9 noon **OHIO STATE**

Home games in **bold** are played at the Bierman Softball Stadium unless otherwise noted.

All times are local to the site of the game.

Overall:	20-5	Big Ten:	0-0
Home:	0-0	Home:	0-0
Away:	3-1	Away:	0-0
Neutral:	17-4		

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Mar 08, 1999)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 20-5-0 Home 0-0-0 Away: 3-1-0 Neutral: 17-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Steph Midthun.....	.402	25-25	82	22	33	4	0	0	7	37	.451	2	0	10	0	.417	0	5	10-10	23	4	1	.964
Shannon Beeler.....	.378	24-24	74	22	28	8	0	7	28	57	.770	6	1	4	0	.432	0	3	4-4	40	58	8	.925
Tammi Hays.....	.366	25-25	71	16	26	1	0	0	5	27	.380	5	1	15	0	.416	0	8	4-6	26	0	3	.897
Jordanne Nygren.....	.365	25-25	74	15	27	2	0	9	27	56	.757	10	0	15	0	.440	0	3	0-1	53	39	4	.958
Angel Braden.....	.345	12-12	29	4	10	1	1	0	8	13	.448	4	2	8	0	.457	0	1	0-0	9	19	7	.800
Amy Hafemeyer.....	.333	11-10	24	2	8	1	0	0	2	9	.375	0	0	5	0	.333	0	6	0-1	1	0	0	1.000
Michelle Bennett....	.250	18-18	44	5	11	2	0	2	6	19	.432	10	1	7	0	.400	0	4	1-1	127	11	7	.952
Christine Lindberg..	.214	14-9	28	3	6	2	0	1	2	11	.393	1	0	10	0	.241	0	2	2-2	0	9	2	.818
Katie Orth.....	.200	14-9	30	5	6	0	0	1	2	9	.300	2	0	6	1	.250	0	1	1-1	8	5	0	1.000
Erin Mooney.....	.200	11-2	15	0	3	0	0	0	2	3	.200	0	1	5	0	.250	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Morgan Holden.....	.180	22-19	50	5	9	2	0	0	4	11	.220	5	1	10	0	.268	0	2	0-0	15	25	9	.816
Lara Severson.....	.167	18-12	30	7	5	0	0	0	2	5	.167	5	0	10	0	.286	0	1	0-1	4	1	0	1.000
Dana Ballard.....	.154	6-6	13	1	2	1	0	0	2	3	.231	2	0	2	0	.267	0	0	0-0	53	5	0	1.000
Erin Brophy.....	.140	19-15	43	6	6	5	0	0	6	11	.256	6	1	8	0	.260	0	1	1-1	61	11	3	.960
Meghan Smith.....	.133	15-14	30	0	4	1	0	0	1	5	.167	0	3	15	0	.212	0	1	1-1	82	4	6	.935
--- Others ---																							
Ninette Mohns.....	.000	15-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-2	0	1	0	1.000
Totals.....	.289	25-25	637	115	184	30	1	20	104	276	.433	58	11	130	1	.358	0	38	27-32	507	226	53	.933
Opponents.....	.224	25-25	646	65	145	13	2	10	49	192	.297	48	8	132	0	.286	0	25	16-22	482	202	33	.954

LOB - Team (151), Opp (159). DPs turned - Team (6), Opp (2). IBB - Team (1), Nygren 1, Opp (5). Picked off - Mohns 1, Ballard 1, Beeler 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Heather Brown.....	1.21	4-0	8	6	2	1/1	0	29.0	27	10	5	6	30	1	0	3	120	.248	1	1	0	0	4
Steph Klaviter.....	1.29	7-3	14	10	6	4/0	2	65.0	53	24	12	17	49	6	2	2	279	.213	3	3	0	0	10
Michelle Harrison...	1.31	7-1	12	5	4	0/1	1	53.1	45	18	10	14	33	5	0	2	227	.221	3	2	0	0	7
Rayny Camacho.....	1.94	2-1	5	4	2	1/0	0	21.2	20	13	6	11	20	1	0	3	101	.238	4	2	0	0	4
Totals.....	1.37	20-5	25	25	14	7/1	3	169.0	145	65	33	48	132	13	2	10	727	.224	11	8	0	0	25
Opponents.....	4.01	5-20	25	25	20	3/0	0	160.2	184	115	92	58	130	30	1	20	744	.289	7	11	0	0	38

PB - Team (8), Smith 6, Brophy 2, Opp (12). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - Smith (9-11), Brophy (7-11), Klaviter (5-9), Harrison (7-8), Camacho (3-3), Brown (1-2).

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 26-3-3

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1
7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)
14 Bemidji State W, 10-0
15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0
20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1
27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2
28 Princeton@ W, 3-1
29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1
18 Manitoba# W, 3-1
19 Alberta# W, 9-2
20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 St. Cloud State W, 10-0
15 St. Lawrence\$ W, 5-0
16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ W, 6-4
17 Toronto\$ W, 5-1
22 Wilfrid Laurier W, 10-0
23 Wilfrid Laurier W, 7-1
29 Concordia (Montreal)% W, 3-0
30 New Hampshire% T, 0-0 (ot)
31 Beatrice Aeros% L, 9-0

February

5 Cornell W, 6-1
6 Cornell W, 5-0
7 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 4-0
13 Augsburg W, 10-0
14 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 10-1
20 Providence W, 1-0
21 Providence W, 5-1
26 Brown L, 2-1
27 Brown T, 1-1 (ot)

March

7 St. Cloud State^ W, 10-0
11 Minnesota State, Mankato^ 7:05 p.m.
22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:05 p.m.
26 ACHA Championships 5 & 8 p.m.
27 ACHA Championships 4 & 7 p.m.

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

#—Bison Invitational

\$—High Peaks Classic

%—Citizens Bank Border Battle

^—Midwest Showdown

&—AWCHA National Championship



Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

March 8, 1999

MSU, Mankato vs. #3 Minnesota
Thursday, March 11, 1999

SID Contact: Craig Roberts (612) 624-0522

THIS WEEK—Minnesota will host Minnesota State, Mankato in the championship game of the Midwest Showdown. The game is slated for Thursday, March 11, at Mariucci Arena beginning at 7:05 p.m.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The Gophers got two goals and an assist from junior right wing **Shannon Kennedy** (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham, Browne & Nichols) and sophomore centers **Winnie Brodt** (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area) and **Megan Milbert** (South St. Paul, Minn./South St. Paul) in defeating St. Cloud State, 10-0, Sunday in the semifinals of the Midwest Showdown.

Kennedy scored the game's first two goals, both on power plays, and **Milbert** tallied the game's final two goals. **Courtney Kennedy** (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham, Browne & Nichols) and **Kris Scholz** (Hugo, Minn./Stillwater Area) both chipped in with three assists.

Minnesota, which was 4-for-4 on the power play, had a 36-2 advantage in shots on goal and did not allow a shot through the first two periods. **Crystal Nicholas** (Tulsa, Okla./Union) needed to make just two saves for her seventh shutout and 10th victory of the season.

MSU, MANKATO RECENTLY—The Mavericks advanced to the championship game of the Midwest Showdown by defeating Minnesota-Duluth, 4-1, Saturday at the Midwest Wireless Center in Mankato.

MSU, Mankato jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first period, getting a pair of goals from **Ryann Geldner**. The Bulldogs came back with a power-play goal before the end of the opening period but could get no closer and the score remained 3-1 until **Michelle Sikich's** empty-net goal with 22 seconds to play in the game.

Currently on a four-game winning streak, the Mavericks are 14-14-0 and have reached the .500 mark for the first time.

Head coach **Todd Carroll** is in his first season as a head coach after spending nine years as a men's assistant. A 1986 graduate of St. Olaf, he spent two years as a graduate assistant at St. Cloud State before returning to his alma mater, where he spent seven seasons, before accepting his current position last year. Carroll currently sports a 14-14-0 record.

ABOUT THE MIDWEST SHOWDOWN—The Midwest Showdown features the five Minnesota schools that will be members of the new Division I women's conference next season.

The tournament got underway Wednesday as fourth-seeded St. Cloud State defeated fifth-seeded Bemidji State, 4-0, at the National Hockey Center in St. Cloud. In the semifinals, second-seeded MSU, Mankato downed third-seeded Minnesota-Duluth, 4-1, at the Midwest Wireless Center. The top-seeded Gophers then defeated St. Cloud State, 10-0, at **Mariucci Arena** to set up Thursday's championship game, beginning at 7:05 p.m. at Minnesota.

GETTING OFFENSIVE—Last season, **Emily Buchholz** (Waupun, Wis./Waupun) led the Gophers' defense with 12 assists. This season, three of the team's blueliners have surpassed that total.

Brittney Ralph (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center) leads the Minnesota defense with 17 assists while **Courtney Kennedy** has 15 and **Buchholz** has 14.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 2-2-2-2

In all, the Gophers' regular group of six has scored 27 goals, led by **Kennedy** with 14, and 90 points.

ABOUT TO IMplode—Depth has been the biggest strength of the Minnesota team this year, especially when it comes to scoring.

Last season, six Gopher players topped the 10-goal mark and seven reached 20 points. This year, 10 players have reached double figures in goals and 14 have scored more than 10 points, including 11 who have topped 20 points.

Minnesota's top nine forwards have all reached the 10-goal and 20-point marks, including six who have recorded at least 20 assists.

TAKING A BREAK—Minnesota will be without the services of **Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina)** Thursday as she competes at the World Championships in Finland with the U.S. Women's National Team.

She will return for the Gophers' game, March 22, against the Community Olympic Development Program and will be available if the team receives an invitation to the American Women's College Hockey Alliance championship, March 26-27.

This will be **Schmidgall's** second tour of duty with the national squad. Last year, she was a member of the team that claimed the gold medal at the Winter Olympics. She scored two goals and five points at the Olympic games and tallied nine goals and 21 points in 30 games for the season.

THE SCHOLZ SHOW—Minnesota sophomore co-captain **Kris Scholz** has scored 49 points for the second consecutive season following Saturday's three-point effort.

She has scored 14 points in her last nine games and is now just two points shy of reaching the 100-point mark for her career.

Last season, **Scholz** scored 15 goals and 49 points in 30 games and now has 31 goals, 67 assists and 98 points in 62 career games.

A LOOK IN TRAINING ROOM—Minnesota has lost the services of sophomore forward **Sarma Pone (Minneapolis, Minn./Minneapolis Southwest)** for the remainder of the season

Pone suffered a broken clavicle during pregame warmups prior to Sunday's game with St. Cloud State.

NATURAL BORN KILLERS—The Gophers were 3-for-3 killing penalties over the weekend. The second-ranked penalty killing team in nation, Minnesota has allowed just two power-play goals in its last 16 games.

During that stretch, Minnesota had a 10-game streak of not allowing a power-play goal and has killed 57 of its opponents' last 59 power plays.

THE SERIES—The Gophers are 4-0-0 against Minnesota State, Mankato this season. Minnesota has won twice at home (8-1, Nov. 20, and 4-0, Feb. 7) and twice in Mankato (11-1, Oct. 30, and 10-1, Feb. 14).

Minnesota has outscored the Mavericks 33-3 in four outings this season and 19 of the Gophers' 21 skaters have recorded points, led by **Kris Scholz** and **Ambria Thomas (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley)** with 10 points each.

WHEN LAST WE MET—Minnesota outshot MSU, Mankato 49-14 and used a five-goal first period as a catalyst for a 10-1 win at the Midwest Wireless Center, Feb. 14.

Kris Scholz scored the game's first two goals in the opening seven minutes and **Shannon Kennedy** also chipped in with two goals while **Ambria Thomas** had career-highs with four assists and five points.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—Minnesota was ranked highly in a number of team statistical categories last week, as were several Gopher players.

Total points—4. Jenny Schmidgall, 66; 9. Kris Scholz, 46; t10. Nadine Muzerall, 42. **Points per game**—4. Schmidgall, 2.28; 10. Muzerall, 1.50; 11. Scholz, 1.48. **Total goals**—t2. Schmidgall, 32; t7. Muzerall, 24. **Goals per game**—3. Schmidgall, 1.10; t7. Muzerall, 0.86. **Total assists**—4. Schmidgall, 34; 7. Scholz, 30; t11. Brodt, 24. **Assists per game**—5. Schmidgall, 1.17; 8. Scholz, 0.97; 14. Brodt, 0.83. **Power-play goals**—t2. Schmidgall, 9; 7. Muzerall, 8. **Short-handed goals**—t3. Muzerall, Schmidgall, 2. **Game-winning goals**—t2. Muzerall, 6; t14. Schmidgall, Shannon Kennedy, 3.

Goals against average—1. Erica Killewald, 1.20. **Save percentage**—1. Killewald, .947. **Winning percentage**—3. Killewald, .795. **Shutouts**—t2. Killewald, Crystal Nicholas, 6.

Scoring offense—3rd, 5.68. **Scoring defense**—1st, 1.16. **Scoring differential**—2nd, +4.52. **Power play**—3rd, 28.4%. **Penalty kill**—2nd, 91.7%.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting a 106-85-15 overall record and a 46-10-6 mark at Minnesota.

She began her head coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meghan Sittler.

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival. In December, she will serve as an assistant for the U.S. National team that competes in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 3-3-3-3

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Halldorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 23-4-5 in the five-year old building.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota fell to third in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* coaches poll and remained fourth in the *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* poll last week. Harvard maintained its top ranking in both polls.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (March 1, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (10)	26- 1-0	100	1
2. Brown	18- 4-4	83	4
3. Minnesota	15- 2-3	82	2
4. New Hampshire	18- 4-5	75	3
5. Northeastern	19- 6-3	58	5
6. Dartmouth	14- 7-5	49	6
7. Providence	16- 9-3	43	7
8. Princeton	14-11-1	15	t8

Also receiving votes: Cornell 13, Niagara 2.

American Hockey Magazine/USA Today Poll (March 2, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	26- 1-0	25	1
2. Brown	18- 4-4	17	2
3. New Hampshire	18- 5-5	16	3
4. Minnesota	25- 3-3	11	4
5. Northeastern	22- 6-3	6	5

Also receiving votes: None.

UP NEXT—Minnesota's final scheduled game will be Monday, March 22, when the Gophers hosts the Community Olympic Development Program. Game time at Mariucci Arena is scheduled for 7:05 p.m.

The American Women's College Hockey Alliance championship will be played at **Mariucci Arena**, March 26-27. Minnesota, which is in contention for an at-large berth, will receive word of its fate Sunday, March 21, after 7 p.m.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 37-for-120 (30.8%) on the power play after going 4-for-4 against St. Cloud State. The Gophers' 120 power plays have resulted in 182:22 of power-play time and they average a goal every 4:56 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	29	9	11	20	40	.225
Kris Scholz	32	3	15	18	14	.214
Nadine Muzerall	29	8	4	12	34	.235
Courtney Kennedy	30	5	4	9	26	.192
Winnie Brodt	30	2	7	9	14	.143
Emily Buchholz	31	3	5	8	12	.250
Brittney Ralph	31	2	5	7	32	.063
Shannon Kennedy	30	2	4	6	7	.287
Ambria Thomas	29	1	3	4	10	.100
Laura Slominski	31	1	2	3	6	.167
Tai Thorsheim	32	0	3	3	0	.000
Amber Hegland	32	1	1	2	5	.200
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Megan Milbert	18	0	1	1	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	29	0	0	0	11	.000
Angela Borek	31	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	27	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	32	37	67	104	217	.171
Opponents	32	9	15	24	122	.074

THE PENALTY-KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 102-for-111 (91.9%) killing penalties after going 3-for-3 over the weekend. Its opponents have spent 178:02 on the power play, averaging a goal every 19:47. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Nadine Muzerall	29	2	0	2	5	.400
Jenny Schmidgall	29	2	0	2	7	.273
Courtney Kennedy	30	0	2	2	3	.000
Brittney Ralph	31	1	0	1	3	.333
Kris Scholz	32	1	0	0	2	.500
Winnie Brodt	30	0	1	0	2	.000
Tai Thorsheim	31	0	1	0	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	29	0	1	1	0	.000
Shannon Kennedy	30	0	0	0	4	.000
Laura Slominski	31	0	0	0	3	.000
Ambria Thomas	29	0	0	0	3	.000
Emily Buchholz	31	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	27	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	18	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	32	6	5	11	37	.162
Opponents	32	1	1	2	11	.091

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Mar 08, 1999)

All games

Overall: 26-3-3 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 11-2-2 Away: 7-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

Name	GP	SHOTS						PENALTIES				GOALS									
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct	+/-	No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO	
Jenny Schmidgall	29	32	34	66	168	.190	+46	7-14	7	0	0	9	2	5	3	1	0	1	0	0	
Kris Scholz	32	16	33	49	81	.198	+34	3-6	3	0	0	3	1	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	
Nadine Muzerall	29	25	18	43	157	.159	+34	10-20	10	0	0	8	2	8	6	0	0	3	0	0	
Winnie Brodt	30	12	25	37	95	.126	+48	6-12	6	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Shannon Kennedy	30	13	20	33	81	.160	+40	7-14	7	0	0	2	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	
Ambria Thomas	29	12	21	33	72	.167	+35	9-18	9	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	
Amber Hegland	32	15	17	32	74	.203	+36	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	
Laura Slominski	30	10	21	31	65	.154	+38	4-8	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Courtney Kennedy	30	14	15	29	86	.163	+41	16-32	16	0	0	5	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	
Tracy Engstrom	29	10	14	24	69	.145	+29	7-14	7	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Brittney Ralph	31	6	17	23	88	.068	+35	9-18	9	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Emily Buchholz	31	4	14	18	42	.095	+36	15-30	15	0	0	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	
Megan Milbert	18	5	6	11	18	.278	+11	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Tai Thorsheim	31	1	8	9	29	.034	+25	7-14	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Angela Borek	31	1	6	7	20	.050	+37	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Betsey Kukowski	24	1	4	5	20	.050	+8	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sarma Pone	27	1	3	4	19	.053	+9	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Kelly Olson	27	1	3	4	27	.037	+41	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tracy Donaghue	17	2	1	3	13	.154	+3	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Lacey Franzmeier	16	1	1	2	16	.063	+5	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Crystal Nicholas	12	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
TEAM	7	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total.....	32	186	288	474	1256	.148	+603	126-252	126	0	0	37	6	26	26	1	0	6	0	0	
Opponents.....	32	36	45	81	589	.061	-	142-322	136	2	4	9	1	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	

Name	GP	Minutes	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES			RECORD			GOALS				
			GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG	
Crystal Nicholas	12	636:11	9	0.85	88	.907	10	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	
Erica Killewald	22	1297:40	26	1.20	465	.947	16	3	3	6	8	1	0	0	0	
TEAM	7	1:09	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Total.....	32	1935:00	36	1.12	553	.939	26	3	3	13	9	1	1	0	0	
Opponents.....	32	1935:00	186	5.77	1070	.852	3	26	3	2	37	6	1	0	0	

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Mar 08, 1999)

All games

Overall: 26-3-3 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 11-2-2 Away: 7-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	186-1256	36-589
Shot pct.....	.148	.061
Goals/Game.....	5.8	1.1
Shots/Game.....	39.3	18.4
Assists.....	288	45
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	37-120	9-111
Conversion Percent.....	.308	.081
Shot Attempts.....	377	255
Shot Percent.....	.098	.035
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	6-62	1-18
Shot Percent.....	.097	.056
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	186	36
Power Play.....	37	9
Short-handed.....	6	1
Empty net.....	1	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	126	142
Minutes.....	252	322
Penalties/Game.....	3.9	4.4
Pen minutes/Game.....	7.9	10.1
Minor.....	126	136
Major.....	0	2
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	2
Game Misconduct.....	0	2
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	1141-874	874-1141
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	17588	2827
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	15/1173	8/353
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	9/117	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total

Minnesota.....	71	66	49	0	186
Opponents.....	8	10	18	0	36

1999 Minnesota Gymnastics

January

2	Intrasquad	
9	Best of Minnesota	
	Minnesota	192.400
	Winona State	178.750
	Hamline	138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus	137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W, 193.550- 193.050
23	#2 Utah	L, 194.600- 194.175
30	#1 Alabama	L, 196.025- 194.650

February

6	#12 Iowa State	W, 193.375- 191.075
13	Iowa	W, 194.275- 187.725
20	vs. West Virginia, N.C. State	
	#12 West Virginia	195.175
	North Carolina State	193.200
	Minnesota	192.425
27	at #25 Illinois	W, 194.900- 194.475

March

5	at Iowa	W, 194.75-0
7	at #20 Iowa State	L, 195.775- 195.575
12	#12 West Virginia	7 p.m.
21	Denver	2 p.m.
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)	

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)	
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)	

All home meets in bold are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics



vs. #12 West Virginia

Friday, March 12

7 p.m.

Sports Pavilion

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GOLDEN GOPHERS HOME FOR FINAL TWO DUAL MEETS OF THE SEASON — Minnesota returns home from a four-meet road swing to host the final two dual meets of the season. The Gophers host No. 12 West Virginia on Friday, March 12, at 7 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota will host Denver on Sunday, March 21, at 2 p.m.

MINNESOTA RANKED NO. 14 — The Golden Gophers were ranked No. 14 after the eighth week of competition with a regional qualifying score of 194.163. Friday's opponent, West Virginia, is 12th at 194.231. Minnesota is one of five Big Ten Conference schools listed in the ranking. The others are Penn State (No. 4), Michigan (No. 6), Ohio State (No. 10) and Illinois (No. 19). The RQS is based on a team's six best regular-season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. The high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged. The next rankings will be released Wednesday.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — Minnesota scored the second-highest point total in team history but it wasn't enough to hold off No. 20 Iowa State, which defeated the Golden Gophers 195.775- 195.575 Sunday in Ames, Iowa.

Minnesota led after three rotations, but Iowa State scored a 49.275 on the floor exercise to regain the lead after the final rotation. Five of six Minnesota athletes set or tied season bests on the beam, leading to a season-high team score of 49.150. Junior **Judy Cavazos (Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste)** tied for second place with a career-best 9.85. Senior **Cathy Keyser (Plymouth, Minn./Lake Fininndero (Australia))** placed fourth at 9.825.

Iowa State led after the first rotation, scoring 48.875 on the vault to Minnesota's 48.825 on uneven bars. The Cyclones increased their lead to .275 points after the second rotation, when Iowa State scored 48.8 on the uneven bars and Minnesota scored 48.575 on vault. The Gophers took the lead by scoring 49.150 on the floor exercise to Iowa State's 48.825 on the balance beam in the third rotation.

On Friday, Minnesota tallied a score of 194.875 in an unusual competition in Iowa City, Iowa. The Golden Gophers are credited with a 194.875-0 dual-meet victory after the Hawkeyes were ruled unable to compete by the Iowa Women's Athletics Department as the consequence of a violation of team policy.

Five of six athletes set or tied career bests on the floor exercise, leading to a school-record score of 49.350. Frosh **Megan Beuckens (Brandon, S.D./Brandon)** won the event with a personal-best 9.925, Minnesota's best floor exercise score of the season. Frosh **Catie Christensen (Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington)** was second with a career-best 9.9, with **Cavazos** third at 9.875.

Five different athletes won events for Minnesota. Sophomore **Shanyn Lancaster (Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser)** won her second straight vault title, winning with a career-best and Minnesota season-best 9.9. **Cavazos** won the uneven bars at 9.875. **Keyser** won the balance beam with a score of 9.875. Frosh **MaryAnne Kelley (Barrington, Ill./Fremd)** won the all around with a career-best 39.025.

ABOUT WEST VIRGINIA — The Mountaineers are ranked No. 12 with an RQS of 194.2312 and have a 14-1 record. West Virginia defeated George Washington, 193.925-193.575, Saturday in Morgantown, W.Va.

Senior Nikki West has won seven vault titles this season, including a perfect 10.0 at Rutgers. She is ranked sixth nationally on vault and has four perfect marks in her career.

Senior Rebecca Slobig has won both uneven bars and balance beam the past three meets for West Virginia, including a 9.925 on bars and 9.875 on beam Saturday against George Washington.

Minnesota competed against West Virginia and North Carolina State on Feb. 20 in Morgantown. The Gophers finished third with 192.425 points behind West Virginia (195.175) and North Carolina State (193.200). **Cathy Keyser** placed fifth with a score of 9.775 on balance beam, the highest score for the Gophers on the event. The Gophers had to count an 8.65 score on the beam and recorded a season-low team score of 46.825.

CAVAZOS STRONG ON BARS AND FLOOR — **Judy Cavazos** has scored a 9.80 or higher on the uneven bars in nine of the 10 meets this season. She recorded a 9.925 on at Illinois, the highest bars score by any Minnesota gymnast this season. **Cavazos** is ranked No. 11 on bars with a season average of 9.79 and owns the Minnesota record on the bars at 9.95.

Cavazos has scored a 9.80 or higher on the floor exercise in all 10 meets this season, with a season-high 9.9 at Illinois. She has a season average of 9.855, tied at No. 17, and a share of the school record at 9.95.

Cavazos is ranked No. 21 in the all around.

BEUCKENS HITTING THE MARK — **Megan Beuckens** has been making a mark in her first season with the Gophers.

Beuckens recorded a 9.925 on the floor exercise Friday at Iowa, the highest floor exercise score for the Gophers this season and the third-best mark in school history. She followed that mark with a 9.875 at Iowa State.

Beuckens has been solid on the balance beam this season. She has scored a 9.70 or higher eight of 10 times this season, including a career-high 9.80 at Iowa State on Sunday.

She made her way into the vault lineup over the weekend and stepped right in, placing second with a 9.725 Friday at Iowa and following that with a 9.525 at Iowa State.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson are in their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 26-12 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. Stephenson has a career record of

99-95, with a record of 73-83 in his first five years at Minnesota. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson is in her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Meg Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

THE TEAM RANKING (March 3) —

1.	Georgia	196.9562
2.	Alabama	196.7125
3.	Utah	196.2312
4.	Penn State	195.6625
5.	LSU	195.4125
6.	Michigan	195.2312
7.	Arizona State	195.1125
8.	Nebraska	194.9125
9.	Maryland	194.3687
10.	Ohio State	194.3125
11.	Oklahoma	194.2812
12.	West Virginia	194.2312
13.	Oregon State	194.1937
14.	Minnesota	194.1625
15.	Stanford	194.1500
16.	Utah State	194.0375
17.	UCLA	194.0250
18.	Florida	193.9562
19.	Illinois	193.4625
20.	Iowa State	193.3875
21.	Denver	193.3750
22.	Kentucky	193.3500
23.	Central Michigan	193.2875
24.	North Carolina State	193.2375
25.	Illinois-Chicago	193.0750

OTHER TEAM RANKINGS —

Event	Rank	RQS
Vault	21	48.3625
Uneven Bars	12	48.7187
Balance Beam	19	48.2562
Floor Exercise	8	48.9312

INDIVIDUAL RANKINGS —

Vault	NA		
Uneven Bars	11	Judy Cavazos	9.769
Balance Beam	NA		
Floor Exercise	t17	Judy Cavazos	9.847
All Around	21	Judy Cavazos	38.634

UP NEXT — Minnesota hosts Denver on Sunday, March 21, in the final regular-season meet of the season. The defending Big Ten champion Gophers travel to the conference meet on Saturday, March 27, at Michigan State.

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 8-5 Dual: 5-3 Home: 5-1 Away: 3-3 Neutral: 0-1 Big Ten: 4-0 Top 25: 3-4

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of MN	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #5 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 vs. #2 Utah	194.175	194.600	48.200	48.475	48.725	48.725	48.650	49.050	48.600	48.350
1/30 at #1 Alabama	194.650	196.025	48.600	48.750	48.825	49.550	48.350	48.375	48.875	49.350
2/6 vs. #12 Iowa State	193.375	191.075	48.275	48.300	48.275	48.450	48.175	46.250	48.650	48.075
2/13 vs. Iowa	194.275	187.725	48.325	47.450	48.950	46.075	48.175	46.175	48.825	48.025
2/20 at #12 West Virginia	192.425	195.175	48.250	48.600	48.275	49.000	46.825	48.375	49.075	49.200
vs. North Carolina State		193.200		48.375		48.225		47.850		48.750
2/27 at #25 Illinois	194.900	194.475	48.750	48.100	49.250**	48.900	47.775	48.750	49.125	48.725
3/5 at Iowa	194.875	0.0	48.700	0.0	48.875	0.0	47.950	0.0	49.350*	0.0
3/7 at #20 Iowa State	195.575	195.775	48.575	48.875	48.825	48.800	49.025	48.825	49.150	49.275
3/12 vs. West Virginia										
3/21 vs. Denver										
3/27 Big Ten Championships										

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT

Vault	9.900	Shanyn Lancaster	at Iowa, 3/5
Uneven Bars	9.925	Judy Cavazos	at #25 Illinois, 2/27
Balance Beam	9.875	Cathy Keyser	at Iowa, 3/5
			vs. #12 Iowa State, 2/6
Floor Exercise	9.925	Megan Beuckens	at Iowa, 3/5
All Around	39.025	MaryAnne Kelley	at Iowa, 3/5
Team Vault	48.750		at #25 Illinois, 2/27
Team Uneven Bars	49.250**		at #25 Illinois, 2/27
Team Balance Beam	49.025		at #20 Iowa State, 3/7
Team Floor Exercise	49.350*		at Iowa, 3/5
Total Team Score	195.575		at #20 Iowa State, 3/7

* School record

** Ties school record



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule
40-1-1 overall
1999 Big Ten Champion

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
 (Chapel Hill, N.C.)
 def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
 def. S. Carolina 278-92
 tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
 (Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 Minnesota Invitational
 (1st/12 teams, 1,045.5 pts.)

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
 Swimmers – Maui, Hawaii
 Divers – Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
 (Austin, Texas)
- 9 Gold Country Invitational
 (1st/13 teams, 1,257 pts.)
- 16 Nebraska W, 170-130
 22 at Northwestern L, 154-146
- 23 Iowa W, 169.5-130.5
- 29-30 Wisconsin W, 224-117
 Illinois W, 227-118
 Purdue W, 238-118

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 Minnesota Challenge ns
 18-20 Big Ten Championship
 (1st/11 teams, 668.5 pts.)
 27 Go-Pher-It Inv. ns

MARCH

- 12-13 Zone C Diving
 (Bloomington, Ind.)
- 18-20 NCAA Championships
 (Athens, Ga.)

Home meets at the University
 Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard
 Pool



1998-99 Minnesota
Swimming & Diving

NCAA Zone C Diving Regional
Friday-Saturday, March 12-13, 1999
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GOLDEN GOPHER DIVERS CHASE NCAA INVITES — Four divers from the No. 11 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team travel to Bloomington, Ind., to compete in the NCAA Zone C Diving Regional. The meet, and four others like it around the nation, serves as the diving qualifying meet for the 1999 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships, held March 18-20 at the University of Georgia in Athens, Ga.

ZONE C TO SEND FIVE DIVERS TO NCAA MEET — Competition will be fierce at this year's Zone C meet as only five divers will qualify from the zone to the national championship meet. A total of 35 divers will compete at the NCAA meet, but Zone C was awarded just one more spot than the minimum of four divers. Each zone's qualifying number was determined by its performance at the previous year's national meet.

The five divers invited to compete at the NAAs will be determined according to a priority finish order established by the NCAA. If a diver doubles or triples on the priority list, the next finish place on the priority list is invited. The priority order for divers to be invited to the NCAA Championships is: 1) first place 1-meter, 2) first place 3 meter, 3) second place 3-meter, 4) first place platform, 5) second place 1-meter, 6) third place 3-meter, 7) third place 1-meter, 8) second place platform, 9) fourth place 3-meter, 10) fourth place 1-meter, 11) fifth place 3-meter and 12) third place platform.

ROWE LEADS THE GOPHER CONTINGENT — Senior T.D. Rowe (Issaquah, Wash./Liberty), who placed second in both the 1-meter and 3-meter springboard events at the Big Ten Championships, leads the contingent of Golden Gopher divers headed into the Zone C meet. Other Gophers competing this weekend are junior Rachel Degener (Kaysville, Utah/Davis), sophomore Tracy LaVoi (Sauk Rapids, Minn./St. Cloud Tech) and first-year Christina Rinkus (Yardley, Pa./Pennsbury).

EIGHT GOPHERS ALREADY SET FOR NCAA MEET — Eight Golden Gopher swimmers have already received their invitations to compete in the 1999 NCAA Championships.

Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Minn./Anoka): 100 fly, 200 fly, 100 free, 200 free relay, 400 free relay, 800 free relay, 400 medley relay

Amy Cottrill (Fairport, N.Y./Fairport): 50 free, 100 free, 200 free, 200 free relay, 400 free relay, 800 free relay, 200 medley relay

Terri Jashinsky (Menomonee Falls, Wis./Menomonee Falls): 100 fly, 200 fly, 200 IM, 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay, 200 free relay

Katy Christoferson (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville): 200 IM, 400 IM, 100 free, 200 free relay, 400 free relay, 800 free relay

Beth Shimanski (Hutchinson, Minn./Hutchinson): 100 back, 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay

Kate McMillan (Palatine, Ill./Palatine): 100 breast, 200 breast, 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay

Jinny Smedstad (Cedar Rapids, Iowa/JFK): 500 free, 400 IM, 800 free relay

Meghan Sonstegard (Sioux Falls, S.D./Apple Valley): 100 free, 400 free relay

1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

- 9 Northwest Open unscored
 16 at Badger Classic unscored
 (Madison, Wis.)
 23 at Wis.-Stout 5th (48 points)
 30 Minnesota Classic 1st (89 points)

February

- 5-6 at Iowa State Invitational unscored
 (Ames, Iowa)
 13 Minnesota Open unscored
 20-21 at Big Ten Championships
 (Ohio State) 7th (66.33 points)
 26 Iowa State Qualifier unscored

March

- 5-6 at NCAA Championships
 (Indianapolis) t-24th (8 points)
 21-28 Spring Trip
 (Rice University)

Home meets in bold at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

- 2-3 at Texas Relays
 (Austin, Texas)
 10 at Sun Devil Invitational
 (Arizona State)
 17 at UNI Invitational
 at St. Olaf Invitational
 23-24 at Penn Relays
 (Philadelphia, Pa.)
 24-25 at Drake Relays
 (Des Moines, Iowa)
 25 at Macalaster Invitational
 (St. Paul, Minn.)

May

- 1 Heartland Classic 10 a.m.
 1 at Iowa Invitational 10 a.m.
 8 Minnesota Open 10 a.m.
 8 at North Carolina Invitational
 15 Minnesota Qualifier 10 a.m.
 21-23 at Big Ten Championships
 (Purdue)

June

- 2-5 at NCAA Championships
 (Boise State)

Home meets in bold at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

End of Indoor Season

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Minnesota finished the indoor track and field season Saturday at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships in Indianapolis. Sophomore **Aubrey Schmitt (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)** earned All-America honors by placing second in the shot put, while junior **Christine Gulbrandsen (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole)** placed 12th in the triple jump. Minnesota tied for 24th place with eight points. Texas placed first with 61.

SCHMITT IS AN ALL-AMERICAN — **Aubrey Schmitt** placed second in the shot put at the NCAA Championships, breaking the Minnesota record by over 1 1/2 feet and earning her first All-America honor.

Schmitt placed second with a toss of 54 feet, 4 3/4 inches, breaking the previous school record of 52-10 set in 1991 by Rachel Lewis. Marika Tuliniemi of Southern Methodist won the event with a mark of 54-11 1/4.

Schmitt is Minnesota's first indoor track and field All-American since 1996 and recorded the highest Gopher finish at the indoor meet since Lewis placed second in the shot put in 1990. She won the shot put at the Big Ten Championships Feb. 21 and the Big Ten outdoor meet in 1998.

Schmitt competed in the indoor shot put at last year's NCAA indoor championships, placing 11th. She placed 19th in the shot put and 17th in the discus at the 1998 Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

GULBRANDSEN 12TH IN TRIPLE JUMP — Junior **Christine Gulbrandsen**, the Big Ten triple jump champion, placed 12th in the triple jump with a leap of 42-1 1/4 despite suffering from the flu.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — Head coach Gary Wilson is in his 14th season at Minnesota. Wilson guided the Golden Gophers to the NCAA Cross Country Championships for the second consecutive year in 1998. The cross country team also finished third at both the Big Ten meet and the NCAA regional meet for the second consecutive year. Along the way, junior **Rasa Michniovaite** won the individual title at the regional meet and earned All-America honors by placing 16th. Wilson also coached the Minnesota track and field team to top-25 finishes at the NCAA outdoor championships in 1990, 1991, 1995 and 1996.

Minnesota Indoor Track and Field Records Set in 1999

• 60 meters	7.74	Kim Heath	1/9
• 400 meters	56.10	Yvette White	2/21
• 60 hurdles	8.72	Yvette White	1/16
• Triple Jump	42-10 1/4	Christine Gulbrandsen	2/21
• Shot Put	54-4 3/4	Aubrey Schmitt	3/6
• Weight Throw	59-9 1/2	Aubrey Schmitt	2/21
• Pole Vault	11-6	Christine Gulbrandsen	2/13

1999 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests — Final

60 Meters

1. Kim Heath (a)	7.74*
2. Yvette White (f)	7.91
3. Pattie Galle (a)	8.21

200 meters

1. Yvette White (f)	25.10
2. Neketa Sears (g)	25.34
3. Pattie Galle (f)	25.84

400 meters

1. Yvette White (g)	56.10*
2. Neketa Sears (g)	56.63
3. Pattie Galle (a)	60.99

600 meters

1. Yvette White (b)	1:34.47
2. Jenny Moylan (f)	1:38.05
3. Neketa Sears (b)	1:38.93

800 meters

1. Jenny Moylan (e)	2:15.88
2. Gena Johnson (c)	2:17.77
3. Neketa Sears (a)	2:28.45

1000 meters

1. Rasa Michniovaite (f)	2:54.68
2. Rachel Domenichetti (f)	3:06.54
3. Christine Harper (f)	3:06.67

Mile

1. Victoria Moses (e)	4:59.81
2. Elaine Eggleston (e)	5:01.76
3. Gena Johnson (e)	5:05.55

1500 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (f)	4:42.14
2. Deb Hudleston (f)	4:51.86
3. Kristine Hartmark (f)	5:01.28

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (g)	9:50.16
2. Corinne Nimtz (b)	10:04.69
3. Elaine Eggleston (g)	10:07.56

5000 meters

1. Corinne Nimtz (h)	17:04.28
2. Victoria Moses (d)	17:34.39
3. Elaine Eggleston (g)	17:39.00

60 meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	8.72*
2. Neketa Sears (a)	8.79
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	9.48

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Smith, Sears (b)	3:52.58
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Distance Medley Relay

1. Johnson, White, Moylan, Michniovaite (g)	11:50.91
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Long Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (g)	19-1 1/4 (5.82)
2. Stacie Blaskowski (d)	15-9 (4.80)
3. Anna Chalin (e)	13-8 1/4 (4.17)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	42-10 1/4 (13.06)*#
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Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (i)	54-4 3/4 (16.58)*
2. Nicole Chimko (e)	47-8 1/2 (14.54)
3. Jenney Luer (b)	41-1 3/4 (12.54)

Weight Throw

1. Aubrey Schmitt (g)	59-9 3/4 (18.23)*#
2. Brenda Meyer (f)	53-0 1/4 (16.16)
3. Angie Hill (e)	52-6 (16.00)

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (f)	11-6 (3.51)*#
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	10-2 (3.10)

* School Record

NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, Wis.)

(c) Wisconsin-Stout Invitational (Menomonie, Wis.)

(d) Minnesota Classic (Minneapolis)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)

(f) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis)

(g) Big Ten Championships (Columbus, Ohio)

(h) Iowa State Qualifier (Ames, Iowa)

(i) NCAA Championships (Indianapolis)



1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 9-3 Big Ten: 3-0

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan W, 5-2
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 at #35 Marquette L, 5-4

FEBRUARY

7 Illinois-Chicago W, 5-2
12 at Syracuse W, 6-1
13 vs. #41 Maryland (at Syracuse) L, 6-3
20 Illinois W, 5-2
27 Indiana W, 5-2
28 Purdue W, 4-3

MARCH

5 at Iowa State W, 9-0
6 at Drake W, 6-3
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home matches in bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

at Texas Christian
Thursday, March 25

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GOPHERS OFF UNTIL MARCH 25 — Minnesota takes a break from action until Thursday, March 25, when the Gophers travel to Texas Christian. Minnesota is on a five-match winning streak and has started the season 9-3, including a 3-0 record in the Big Ten.

GOPHERS WIN TWO ON THE ROAD — Minnesota swept Iowa State, 9-0, Friday in Ames, Iowa, then defeated Drake, 6-3, Saturday in Des Moines, Iowa.

Against Iowa State, the Gophers won the six singles matches in straight sets, then won the three doubles matches.

Junior **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** won at No. 1, defeating Noortje Cornelissen, 6-1, 6-2. Junior **Kim Simonsen (Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West)** defeated Andrean Simons at No. 2, 6-2, 6-1. Senior **Sitinee Rangsitienchai (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor)** didn't allow her opponent a game at No. 3, defeating Edna Vazquez, 6-0, 6-0. Other singles winners were senior **Tarah Elkins (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm)** at No. 4, frosh **Jen Howard (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea)** at No. 5 and senior **Jana Hrdinova (Prague, Czech Republic/Stoughton, Wis.)** at No. 6.

In doubles, the No. 1 team of **Simonsen** and frosh **Andrea Rose (North Vancouver, British Columbia/Handsworth)** defeated Cornelissen and Karin Westberg, 9-8. **Rangsitienchai** and **Elkins** won at No. 2, defeating Vazquez and Kendra Leese, 8-2.

Against Drake, Minnesota won four of six singles matches and two of three doubles matches. **Sauska** needed three sets at the No. 1 position, defeating Cecily Debusker, 5-7, 6-1, 6-2. **Simonsen**, and **Rangsitienchai** and **Elkins** each won in straight sets. **Simonsen** defeated Sarah Bain, 6-2, 6-3, at No. 2. **Rangsitienchai** defeated Rajasree Kuruvilla at No. 3, 6-3, 6-2. **Elkins** defeated Melissa Emmons, 6-2, 6-4, at No. 4.

In doubles, the No. 1 team of **Simonsen** and **Hrdinova** defeated Debusker and Kuruvilla, 8-3. **Elkins** and **Rangsitienchai** teamed to defeat Melissa Emmons and Emma Edvardsson, 8-3, at No. 2.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — **Martin Novak** is in his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gophers. **Novak** has compiled a record of 90-98. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten.

UP NEXT — The Gophers will next be in action March 25 at Texas Christian. Minnesota will return home on Sunday, April 4, for a Big Ten match against Northwestern.

1998-99 University of Minnesota Women's Tennis

Overall: 9-3

Big Ten: 3-0

Home: 5-1

Away: 3-1

Neutral: 1-1

Date	Opponent	Location	W/L	Score	Record	Big Ten
1/22	#15 Pepperdine	Home	L	5-2	0-1	
1/23	DePaul	Home	W	6-1	1-1	
1/30	Western Michigan	Milwaukee	W	7-2	2-1	
1/31	#35 Marquette	Away	L	5-4	2-2	
2/7	Illinois-Chicago	Home	W	5-2	3-2	
2/12	Syracuse	Away	W	6-1	4-2	
2/13	#41 Maryland	Syracuse	L	6-3	4-3	
2/20	#62 Illinois*	Home	W	5-2	5-3	1-0
2/27	#37 Indiana*	Home	W	5-2	6-3	2-0
2/28	#43 Purdue*	Home	W	4-3	7-3	3-0
3/5	Iowa State	Away	W	9-0	8-3	
3/6	Drake	Away	W	6-3	9-3	
3/25	Texas Christian	Away				
4/4	Northwestern*	Home				
4/10	Iowa*	Away				
4/11	Wisconsin*	Away				
4/16	Michigan*	Home				
4/18	Michigan State*	Home				
4/23	Ohio State*	Away				
4/25	Penn State*	Away				
4/29-30	Big Ten Championship	Michigan State				

*Big Ten Conference matches

Singles	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Spring	Big Ten	Pct.	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang							4-0				4-0	1.000
Kim Simonsen	2-2	7-1					6-3	9-3	3-0	1.000	15-6	.714
S. Rangsitienchai	1-1		9-1				11-7	10-2	3-0	1.000	21-9	.700
Nora Sauska	4-2	3-1	2-0				8-5	9-3	2-1	.667	17-8	.680
Jen Howard				0-1	7-4		3-3	7-5	1-2	.333	10-8	.556
Tarah Elkins				3-4	1-0	3-1	3-2	7-5	0-3	.000	10-7	.588
Jana Hrdinova				1-3		5-2	3-3	6-5	3-0	1.000	9-8	.529
Andrea Rose						1-0	2-3	1-0			3-3	.500
Totals	7-5	10-2	11-1	4-8	8-4	9-3	40-26	49-23	12-6	.667	89-49	.645

Doubles	#1	#2	#3	Open	Spring	Big Ten	Pct.	Total	Pct.
Simonsen/Rose	1-0				1-0			1-0	1.000
Sauska/Howard		0-1	9-2	7-1	9-3	3-0	1.000	16-4	.800
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1				2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1				1-1	.500
Elkins/Rangsitienchai		6-5	1-0	1-2	7-5	1-2	.667	8-7	.533
Hrdinova/Simonsen	5-6			3-3	5-6	1-2	.667	8-9	.471
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2				1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsitienchai				0-1				0-1	.000
Totals		6-6	6-6	10-2	15-11	22-14	.545	37-25	.597

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The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Wednesday, March 24

SB at Bethune Cookman 1 p.m.
(Daytona Beach, Fla.)

Thursday, March 25

TN at Texas Christian 2 p.m.
(Fort Worth, Texas)

Friday, March 26

SB at South Florida (2) 4 p.m.
(Tampa, Fla.)

HC vs. New Hampshire 8 p.m.
(AWCHA Tournament)

Saturday, March 27

HC at AWCHA Championships
Consolation game 4 p.m.

Championship game 7 p.m.

GM at Big Ten Championships 5 p.m.
(East Lansing, Mich.)

GO hosts Myrtle Beach Classic 8 a.m.
(Myrtle Beach, S.C.)

Sunday, March 28

GO hosts Myrtle Beach Classic 8 a.m.

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What's Coming Up

Hockey

- #3 Minnesota to play #2 New Hampshire in the first round of the AWCHA National Championship at Mariucci Arena

Golf

- Minnesota hosts the Myrtle Beach Taylor Made Classic

Gymnastics

- #16 Golden Gophers attempt to defend their title at Big Ten Championships at Michigan State

Softball

- #18 Minnesota continues road stretch with doubleheaders at Bethune-Cookman and #19 South Florida

Tennis

- Golden Gophers travel to Texas Christian

Gopher Highlights

Hockey

- Minnesota receives bid to AWCHA National Championship

Gymnastics

- Minnesota sets season-high team score of 196.125 in win over Denver
- Gophers break school record on the uneven bars with a score of 49.350

Swimming and Diving

- Golden Gophers tie for 24th place at NCAA Championships
- All five Minnesota relays earn honorable mention All-American honors

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1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Schedule

Overall Record: 27-3-3

October

30 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 11-1

November

5 Harvard* L, 3-1

7 New Hampshire* T, 1-1 (ot)

14 Bemidji State W, 10-0

15 Minnesota-Duluth W, 10-0

20 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 8-1

27 Northeastern@ W, 5-2

28 Princeton@ W, 3-1

29 Queen's@ W, 10-0

December

3 Gustavus Adolphus W, 8-1

18 Manitoba# W, 3-1

19 Alberta# W, 9-2

20 Alberta# W, 8-2

January

9 St. Cloud State W, 10-0

15 St. Lawrence\$ W, 5-0

16 Concordia (Montreal)\$ W, 6-4

17 Toronto\$ W, 5-1

22 Wilfrid Laurier W, 10-0

23 Wilfrid Laurier W, 7-1

29 Concordia (Montreal)% W, 3-0

30 New Hampshire% T, 0-0 (ot)

31 Beatrice Aeros% L, 9-0

February

5 Cornell W, 6-1

6 Cornell W, 5-0

7 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 4-0

13 Augsburg W, 10-0

14 Minnesota State, Mankato W, 10-1

20 Providence W, 1-0

21 Providence W, 5-1

26 Brown L, 2-1

27 Brown T, 1-1 (ot)

March

7 St. Cloud State^ W, 10-0

11 Minnesota State, Mankato^ W, 6-0

22 Olympic Dev. Program 7:05 p.m.

26 New Hampshire& 8 p.m.

27 Brown/Harvard& 4/7 p.m.

Home games in bold at Mariucci Arena

All times local

*—All-American East-West Challenge

@—Princeton Thanksgiving Invitational

#—Bison Invitational

\$—High Peaks Classic

%—Citizens Bank Border Battle

^—Midwest Showdown

&—AWCHA National Championship

Minnesota Hockey 1998-99

March 22, 1999

CODP vs. #3 Minnesota
Monday, March 22

AWCHA Championship
Friday-Saturday, March 26-27



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THIS WEEK—Minnesota will wrap up its 1998-99 season with three games at Mariucci Arena this week, including the American Women's College Hockey Alliance Division I National Championship.

The Gophers face the Community Olympic Development Program, a team featuring the top high school players in Minnesota, Monday at 7:05 p.m.

Friday, the third-ranked Gophers will face second-ranked New Hampshire in the second semifinal, slated for an 8 p.m. faceoff, of the AWCHA Championship. Top-ranked Harvard faces fourth-ranked Brown in the other semifinal game beginning at 5 p.m. The third-place and championship games are scheduled for Saturday at 4 and 7 p.m.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY—The Gophers have been off since posting a 6-0 win over Minnesota State, Mankato in the championship game of the Midwest Showdown, March 11, at Mariucci Arena.

After a slow start, Minnesota scored twice in the second period and four times in the final 20 minutes to raise its record to 27-3-3.

Despite being outshot 22-1 in the opening period, Maverick goalie Jenny Padgett kept her team in the game by shutting out Minnesota in the first period.

Ambria Thomas (Fairbanks, Alaska/West Valley) broke up the scoreless tie at 4:23 of the second period and Courtney Kennedy (Woburn, Mass./Buckingham Browne & Nichols), who set up that goal, went end-to-end to make it 2-0 with 1:49 left in the period.

The Gophers clinched the game with a four-goal third period, led by Winny Brodt (Roseville, Minn./Roseville Area), who had a goal and two assists in the final 20 minutes.

Erica Killewald (Troy, Mich./Troy), who recorded her first career assist on Thomas' goal, recorded her 17th win and seventh shutout of the season by stopping 12 shots as Minnesota outshot its guests 54-12.

NEW HAMPSHIRE RECENTLY—The Wildcats defeated Northeastern 5-1 Saturday in the ECAC semifinals but dropped a 5-4 decision in overtime to Harvard in the title game Sunday.

Carisa Zaban scored two of New Hampshire's four power-play goals in Saturday's win while Samantha Holmes chipped in with a pair of assists. Alicia Roberts stopped 22 of 23 shots.

After taking the initial 1-0 lead and then trailing 3-2 after two periods, Zaban and Tina Carrabba scored to give New Hampshire a 4-3 lead with just 4:22 to play in the third period. The Crimson, however, scored with just 1:15 to play in regulation time and got the game-winner 1:15 into overtime. Roberts stopped 31 shots in the loss, including four of five shots in 75 seconds of overtime.

HARVARD RECENTLY—The Crimson made it a sweep of ECAC titles by claiming the playoff championship with a 5-4 overtime win over New Hampshire Sunday.

Harvard, which also won the ECAC regular-season crown, advanced to the title game with an 8-1 win over Dartmouth as A.J. Mleczo recorded a hat trick.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 2-2-2-2

Tammy Shewchuk had two goals and three assists and Jen Botterill had a goal and three assists. Angela Ruggiero chipped in with a pair of goals and an assist.

In Sunday's title game, Angie Francisco put the Crimson up 1-0 but Shewchuk had to help overcome a pair of deficits, the first giving her team a 3-2 lead with a power-play goal at 16:07 of the second period, the second occurring when she scored with 1:15 to play in regulation to tie the game at 4-4.

Shewchuk notched her third point of the game when she assisted on Mleczo's goal at 1:15 of overtime, giving Harvard its 31st win of the year.

BROWN RECENTLY—The Bears fell, 3-0, at home to Dartmouth, March 12, in an ECAC quarterfinal game. Ali Brewer stopped 29 of 32 shots in the game but her team, which had beaten the Big Green 4-0 on the road a week earlier, was shutout on 28 shots.

ABOUT TO IMplode—Depth has been the biggest strength of the Minnesota team this year, especially when it comes to scoring.

Last season, six Gopher players topped the 10-goal mark and seven reached 20 points. This year, 10 players have reached double figures in goals and 14 have scored more than 10 points, including 11 who have topped 20 points.

Minnesota's top nine forwards have all reached the 10-goal and 20-point marks, including six who have recorded at least 20 assists and eight who have scored at least 30 points.

OUTGUNNING THE OPPOSITION—With an average advantage of more than 21 shots on goal per game, the Gophers have overwhelmed a number of opponents this season.

In its last 11 games, Minnesota has outshot opponents 470-180, an average margin of 42.7-16.4, with six games of more than 40 shots.

The Gophers have outshot their opponents 27 times this season and are a perfect 27-0-0 when doing so. On the other hand, they are 0-3-3 when being outshot.

SHE'S BACK—Minnesota frosh center **Jenny Schmidgall (Edina, Minn./Edina)** returns from Finland with a silver medal in hand after leading the U.S. Women's National Team to second place at the International Ice Hockey Federation World Championships.

A member of the 1998 squad that won the gold medal at the Winter Olympics, **Schmidgall** was named the Most Outstanding Forward of the World Championships after leading the tournament in scoring with 12 points in five games. She had 11 points in three games during pool play and scored the American's lone goal in a 3-1 loss to Canada in the gold medal game.

Schmidgall will return to the Gophers' lineup Monday, bringing back her 32 goals and 34 assists, which give her a school-record 66 points on the season in just 29 games.

SHE'S A KILLER—Minnesota goalie **Erica Killewald** raised her nation-leading save percentage and regained the lead in goals against average last week.

Killewald now boasts a .948 save percentage and a 1.15 goals against average, the lowest it has been since a season-opening 11-1 win over MSU, Mankato, Oct. 30.

In 23 starts, she has allowed more than two goals just twice and has seven shutouts. Her save percentage has not been under .930 since stopping 35 of 37 shots in a 3-1 loss to Harvard in the Gophers' home opener, Nov. 5.

A LOOK IN TRAINING ROOM—Minnesota has lost the services of sophomore forward **Sarma Pone (Minneapolis, Minn./Minneapolis Southwest)** for the remainder of the season.

Pone suffered a broken clavicle during pregame warmups prior to Minnesota's Midwest Showdown semifinal game with St. Cloud State, March 7.

NATURAL BORN KILLERS—The Gophers were 3-for-3 killing penalties against MSU, Mankato. The second-ranked penalty killing team in nation, Minnesota has allowed just two power-play goals in its last 17 games.

During that stretch, Minnesota had a 10-game streak of not allowing a power-play goal and has killed 60 of its opponents' last 62 power plays.

NATIONAL STATISTICS—Minnesota was ranked highly in a number of team statistical categories last week, as were several Gopher players.

Total points—4. Jenny Schmidgall, 66; t7. Kris Scholz, 49; t11. Nadine Muzerall, 43. **Points per game**—4. Schmidgall, 2.28; t8. Scholz, 1.53; t10. Muzerall, 1.48. **Total goals**—t2. Schmidgall, 32; t7. Muzerall, 25. **Goals per game**—3. Schmidgall, 1.10; 7. Muzerall, 0.86. **Total assists**—5. Schmidgall, 34; t6. Scholz, 33; t11. Brodt, 25. **Assists per game**—6. Schmidgall, 1.17; 8. Scholz, 1.03; t12. Brodt, 0.83. **Power-play goals**—t2. Schmidgall, 9; 7. Muzerall, 8; t19. Courtney Kennedy, 5. **Short-handed goals**—t4. Muzerall, Schmidgall, 2. **Game-winning goals**—t2. Muzerall, 6; t8. Shannon Kennedy, 4; t19. Schmidgall.

Goals against average—2. Erica Killewald, 1.20. **Save percentage**—1. Killewald, .947. **Winning percentage**—3. Killewald, .795. **Shutouts**—2. Crystal Nicholas, 7; 3. Killewald. **Scoring offense**—3rd, 5.81. **Scoring defense**—1st, 1.13. **Scoring differential**—2nd, +4.69. **Power play**—3rd, 30.8%. **Penalty kill**—2nd, 91.9%.

THE COACH—Now in her second season behind the Minnesota bench and ninth season as a college head coach, **Laura Halldorson** has established herself as one of the nation's premier coaches in women's hockey, sporting a 107-85-15 overall record and a 47-10-6 mark at Minnesota.

She began her head coaching career at Colby College, where she led the White Mules, one of only two non-Division I schools at the time in the 12-team Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference, to a 12-9-1 overall record in 1995-96, earning ECAC Co-Coach of the Year honors as well as being named the New England Hockey Writers' Coach of the Year. While at Colby, she also recruited and coached ECAC Player of the Year Meaghan Sittler.

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey 3-3-3-3

At the national level, she was the assistant coach for the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 U.S. Olympic Festival. In December, she will serve as an assistant for the U.S. National team that competes in the Three Nations Cup in Finland.

A native of Plymouth, Minn., and a 1981 graduate of Wayzata High School, **Halldorson** played four years at Princeton, where she was a co-captain and all-conference performer while leading the Tigers to three Ivy League titles. She graduated from Princeton in 1985 with a degree in psychology.

A member of the 1987 U.S. National Women's Team and three national club championship teams with the Minnesota Checkers, **Halldorson** returned to her alma mater in 1987 to begin her collegiate coaching career as an assistant.

IT'S HOME—The home of Gopher Women's Hockey is **Mariucci Arena (9,700)**. One of the finest college hockey facilities in the country, **Mariucci Arena** will be Minnesota's home until the new women's hockey facility, scheduled to open in the fall of 2000, is completed.

Known as one of the toughest arenas in the nation on visiting teams, the Gophers are 24-4-5 in the five-year old building.

GONE POLLING—Minnesota maintained its number three ranking in the *U.S. College Hockey Online* coaches' poll and moved up to third in the *American Hockey Magazine/USA Today* poll last week. Harvard remained number one in both polls.

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll (March 8, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (10)	28- 1-0	100	1
2. Brown	20- 4-4	85	2
3. Minnesota	16- 2-3	82	3
4. New Hampshire	20- 4-5	72	4
5. Northeastern	21- 6-3	61	5
6. Dartmouth	15- 8-5	50	6
7. Providence	17-10-3	39	7
8. Princeton	14-13-1	28	18

Also receiving votes: Cornell 3.

American Hockey Magazine/USA Today Poll (March 16, 1999)

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	Pts	LW
1. Harvard (5)	29- 1-0	25	1
2. New Hampshire	21- 5-5	19	2
3. Minnesota	27- 3-3	15	4
4. Northeastern	25- 6-3	10	5
5. Dartmouth	16- 8-5	4	NR

Also receiving votes: Brown 2.

UP NEXT—Minnesota concludes its 1998-99 season with this weekend's ACHA National Championship.

THE POWER PLAY—As a team, Minnesota is 38-for-123 (30.9%) on the power play after going 3-for-3 against St. Cloud State. The Gophers' 123 power plays have resulted in 186:35 of power-play time and they average a goal every 4:55 while on the power play. Here are the individual power-play numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	29	9	11	20	40	.225
Kris Scholz	33	3	15	18	15	.200
Nadine Muzerall	30	8	4	12	35	.229
Winnie Brodt	31	2	8	10	15	.133
Courtney Kennedy	31	5	4	9	26	.192
Brittney Ralph	32	3	5	8	34	.088
Emily Buchholz	32	3	5	8	12	.250
Shannon Kennedy	31	2	4	6	8	.250
Ambria Thomas	30	1	4	5	11	.091
Laura Slominski	32	1	2	3	6	.167
Tai Thorsheim	32	0	3	3	0	.000
Amber Hegland	33	1	1	2	5	.200
Matty Brekken	9	0	2	2	2	.000
Megan Milbert	19	0	1	1	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	30	0	0	0	11	.000
Angela Borek	32	0	0	0	2	.000
Kelly Olson	28	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	33	38	69	107	224	.170
Opponents	33	9	15	24	124	.073

THE PENALTY-KILL—As a team, Minnesota is 105-for-114 (92.1%) killing penalties after going 3-for-3 Thursday. Its opponents have spent 182:56 on the power play, averaging a goal every 20:20. Here are the individual penalty-kill numbers.

Player	GP	G	A	Pts	SOG	Pct.
Jenny Schmidgall	29	2	0	2	7	.273
Nadine Muzerall	30	2	0	2	5	.400
Courtney Kennedy	31	0	2	2	3	.000
Brittney Ralph	32	1	0	1	3	.333
Kris Scholz	33	1	0	1	2	.500
Winnie Brodt	31	0	1	1	2	.000
Tai Thorsheim	32	0	1	1	1	.000
Tracy Engstrom	30	0	1	1	0	.000
Laura Slominski	32	0	0	0	4	.000
Shannon Kennedy	31	0	0	0	4	.000
Ambria Thomas	30	0	0	0	4	.000
Emily Buchholz	32	0	0	0	1	.000
Matty Brekken	9	0	0	0	1	.000
Kelly Olson	28	0	0	0	1	.000
Megan Milbert	19	0	0	0	1	.000
Minnesota	33	6	5	11	39	.154
Opponents	33	1	1	2	11	.091

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Individual Statistics (as of Mar 22, 1999)

All games

Overall: 27-3-3 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 12-2-2 Away: 7-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

Name	GP	SHOTS					+/-	PENALTIES				GOALS								
		G	A	Pts	Shots	Pct		No-Min	Min	Maj	Oth	PP	SH	FG	GW	GTG	OT	HT	PN	SO
Jenny Schmidgall	29	32	34	66	168	.190	+46	7-14	7	0	0	9	2	5	3	1	0	1	0	0
Kris Scholz	33	16	33	49	83	.193	+34	3-6	3	0	0	3	1	2	2	0	0	1	0	0
Nadine Muzerall	30	26	18	44	165	.158	+35	11-22	11	0	0	8	2	8	6	0	0	3	0	0
Winnie Brodt	31	13	27	40	105	.124	+51	6-12	6	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ambria Thomas	30	13	22	35	77	.169	+39	9-18	9	0	0	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
Shannon Kennedy	31	13	21	34	88	.148	+41	8-16	8	0	0	2	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0
Amber Hegland	33	15	17	32	79	.190	+36	6-12	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Courtney Kennedy	31	15	16	31	88	.170	+44	17-34	17	0	0	5	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Laura Slominski	31	10	21	31	69	.145	+38	4-8	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Engstrom	30	11	14	25	70	.157	+33	7-14	7	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Brittney Ralph	32	7	17	24	93	.075	+38	9-18	9	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Emily Buchholz	32	4	15	19	43	.093	+36	15-30	15	0	0	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Megan Milbert	19	5	6	11	18	.278	+11	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matty Brekken	9	4	7	11	16	.250	+12	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Tai Thorsheim	32	1	8	9	30	.033	+27	8-16	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Angela Borek	32	1	7	8	20	.050	+39	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Betsey Kukowski	25	1	5	6	23	.043	+9	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Olson	28	1	4	5	27	.037	+41	5-10	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sarma Pone	27	1	3	4	19	.053	+9	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tracy Donaghue	18	2	1	3	13	.154	+3	2-4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lacey Franzmeier	17	1	1	2	16	.063	+5	3-6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erica Killewald	23	0	1	1	0	.000	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crystal Nicholas	12	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM	7	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	33	192	298	490	1310	.147	+627	130-260	130	0	0	38	6	27	27	1	0	6	0	0
Opponents.....	33	36	45	81	601	.060	-	146-330	140	2	4	9	1	5	3	1	0	0	0	0

Name	GP	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD				GOALS				
		Minutes	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho	PP	SH	EN	PEN	SOG
Crystal Nicholas	12	636:11	9	0.85	88	.907	10	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0
Erica Killewald	23	1357:40	26	1.15	477	.948	17	3	3	7	8	1	0	0	0
TEAM	7	1:09	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total.....	33	1995:00	36	1.08	565	.940	27	3	3	14	9	1	1	0	0
Opponents.....	33	1995:00	192	5.77	1118	.853	3	27	3	2	38	6	1	0	0

1998-99 Minnesota Hockey Statistics

GOPHER WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Mar 22, 1999)

All games

Overall: 27-3-3 Conf: 0-0-0 Home: 12-2-2 Away: 7-0-1 Neut: 8-1-0

TEAM STATISTICS	MINN	OPP

SHOT STATISTICS.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	192-1310	36-601
Shot pct.....	.147	.060
Goals/Game.....	5.8	1.1
Shots/Game.....	39.7	18.2
Assists.....	298	45
POWER PLAYS.....		
Goals-Power Plays.....	38-123	9-114
Conversion Percent.....	.309	.079
Shot Attempts.....	386	263
Shot Percent.....	.098	.034
SHORT-HANDED.....		
Goals-Shot attempts.....	6-64	1-18
Shot Percent.....	.094	.056
GOAL BREAKDOWN.....		
Total Goals.....	192	36
Power Play.....	38	9
Short-handed.....	6	1
Empty net.....	1	1
Penalty.....	0	0
Overtime.....	0	0
PENALTIES.....		
Number.....	130	146
Minutes.....	260	330
Penalties/Game.....	3.9	4.4
Pen minutes/Game.....	7.9	10.0
Minor.....	130	140
Major.....	0	2
10-minute Misconduct.....	0	2
Game Misconduct.....	0	2
Gross Misconduct.....	0	0
Match.....	0	0
FACEOFFS (W-L).....	1185-895	895-1185
ATTENDANCE.....		
Total.....	18003	2827
Dates/Avg Per Date.....	16/1125	8/353
Neutral Site #/Avg.....	9/117	

GOALS BY PERIOD	1	2	3	OT	Total

Minnesota.....	71	68	53	0 -	192
Opponents.....	8	10	18	0 -	36



1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics

#16 Minnesota at the Big Ten Championships
 Saturday, Feb. 27
 at Michigan State University

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1999 Minnesota Gymnastics

January

2	Intrasquad		
9	Best of Minnesota		
	Minnesota		192.400
	Winona State		178.750
	Hamline		138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus		137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W,	193.550-193.050
23	#2 Utah	L,	194.600-194.175
30	#1 Alabama	L,	196.025-194.650

February

6	#12 Iowa State	W,	193.375-191.075
13	Iowa	W,	194.275-187.725
20	vs. West Virginia, N.C. State		
	#12 West Virginia		195.175
	North Carolina State		193.200
	Minnesota		192.425
27	at #25 Illinois	W,	194.900-194.475

March

5	at Iowa	W,	194.75-0
7	at #20 Iowa State	L,	195.775-195.575
12	#14 West Virginia	W,	194.375-189.875
21	#19 Denver	W,	196.125-194.700
27	Big Ten Championships (Michigan State)		

April

10	NCAA Regional Championships (Utah State)
22-24	NCAA Championships (Utah)

All home meets in **bold** are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

GOLDEN GOPHERS TRAVEL TO BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS — Minnesota, the defending conference champion, travels to the 1999 Big Ten Conference Championships on Saturday, March 27, at Michigan State.

MINNESOTA RANKED NO. 16 — The Golden Gophers are ranked No. 16 after the 10th week of competition with a regional qualifying score of 194.700. Minnesota is one of five Big Ten Conference schools listed in the ranking. The others are Michigan (No. 5), Penn State (No. 6), Ohio State (No. 9) and Illinois (No. 24). The RQS is based on a team's six best regular-season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. The high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged. The next rankings will be released Wednesday.

BIG TEN PREVIEW —

Team title — Minnesota and Michigan have combined to win the last eight titles, with the Wolverines winning six straight conference titles before the Golden Gophers placed first a year ago. Michigan has the conference lead of seven team titles. Ohio State is second with five, and Minnesota has four. Of the seven Big Ten schools with women's gymnastics programs, five were ranked last week. Michigan State and Iowa are not ranked.

Minnesota is 4-0 against conference teams in 1999. The Gophers defeated Michigan in Ann Arbor on Jan. 15, 193.550-193.050. Minnesota swept Iowa in the two meetings, Feb. 13 at the Sports Pavilion and March 5 in Iowa City. The Gophers defeated Illinois on Feb. 27, 194.900-194.475, in Champaign, Ill.

Vault — Lindsey Vagades of Ohio State won the vault in her first season, scoring a 9.9. Vagades and Michigan athletes Sarah Cain and Lisa Simes are tied for the Big Ten lead with a RQS of 9.90. Minnesota's top competitor is sophomore **Shanyn Lancaster (Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser)**, who leads the team with a 9.733 average. She scored a personal-best 9.90 at Iowa on March 5.

Uneven bars — Michigan senior Nikki Peters will try for her fourth consecutive uneven bars title. She recorded a perfect 10.0 to win the event in both 1996 and 1998. Peters is fourth on the Big Ten list this season. Susan Eckman of Ohio State is first with an RQS of 9.9125. Minnesota's **Judy Cavazos (Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste)** is fifth with a RQS of 9.8875. She has recorded a season-high 9.925 twice, most recently on Sunday against Denver.

Balance beam — Minnesota's **Cathy Keyser (Plymouth, Minn./Lake Fininndero (Australia))** won the title in 1998, scoring 9.875. She was the second consecutive Golden Gopher to win the event, as former Minnesota athlete and current student assistant coach **Mindy Knaeble** finished in a three-way tie for the title in 1997 with Michigan athletes Beth Amelkovich and Lisa Simes. Both Amelkovich and Simes are back this year. Michigan State's Carolyn Hecht, the 1996 co-champion, returns for the 1999 championships in her home arena. She has the fifth-best RQS this season.

Floor exercise – Michigan sophomore **Bridget Knaeble**, younger sister of **Mindy Knaeble**, won the floor exercise last year with a 9.875. She is tied for third this season. Sarah Cain has the top floor exercise RQS, 9.9437. **Judy Cavazos** has Minnesota's highest floor exercise average of the season, 9.858, while frosh **Megan Beuckens (Brandon, S.D./Brandon)** has the team's highest score of the season, 9.925, on March 5.

All around – Michigan athletes won six straight all around titles before Penn State's Ellen Casey won the title last year. Casey returns to defend her title this season and is ranked No. 2 in the conference. The 1997 champion, Sarah Cain, is back as a junior, as is the 1996 champion, senior Beth Amelkovich. Cain is a definite favorite for the all around title this year as she is ranked No. 1 this season in the all around, floor exercise and vault, while ranked second on balance beam and seventh on uneven bars.

Minnesota has had two athletes competing in the all around this season. Frosh **MaryAnne Kelley (Barrington, Ill./Fremd)** recorded the team's highest all around score, 39.025, on March 5. **Judy Cavazos** has not had an all around score the past four meets but may return to the vault lineup this weekend.

LAST YEAR AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS — Minnesota ended Michigan's streak of six straight conference championships. The Gophers placed first with 195.400, while Michigan was second at 194.900. Minnesota co-head coaches **Jim** and **Meg Stephenson** earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors. It was the third honor for **Jim Stephenson**, who earned the honor in 1997 and shared the award in 1995. **Cathy Keyser** won the balance beam. **Judy Cavazos** placed second on the uneven bars, breaking the school record with a 9.95.

MINNESOTA HISTORY AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS — The Gophers have won four titles in team history. Minnesota will try to win back-to-back titles for the second time, as the Gophers won in both 1988 and 1989. Minnesota's other title came in 1991. The Gophers set a school record of 196.350 at the conference meet in 1996 at the Sports Pavilion, finishing second to Michigan's conference meet record of 197.150. Minnesota has finished either first or second in eight of the 17 conference championships.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — Minnesota set a school record on the uneven bars en route to 196.125-194.700 victory over No. 19 Denver on Sunday in the Sports Pavilion. The total score is Minnesota's highest of the season and the second-best in school history.

All five Minnesota scorers recorded a 9.825 or higher on the bars, leading to a record of 49.350. **Judy Cavazos** won her ninth uneven bars title of the season with a 9.925, which ties her season high. Sophomore **Megan Skokut (Carmel, Ind./Carmel)** set a personal best of 9.90 to place

second. Frosh **Catie Christensen (Columbus, Ohio/Thomas Worthington)** tied her personal best with a 9.875, placing third. Senior **Cathy Keyser** and junior **Melissa Chang (Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs)** tied for fifth at 9.825. Both scores are season bests.

Keyser won the balance beam for the sixth time this season, tying her personal best with a 9.925. That is Minnesota's highest balance beam score of the season. **Cavazos** placed third with a 9.825.

Cavazos won the floor exercise title for the eighth time this season, scoring a 9.90. She has won both bars and floor seven times this season.

CAVAZOS WINS ON BARS AND FLOOR, AGAIN — **Judy Cavazos** won the uneven bars Sunday against Denver, tying her season best with a 9.925. She has won nine uneven bars titles this season. **Cavazos** is listed in the uneven bars ranking, tied for No. 19 with a RQS of 9.8875. She averages 9.798 on the uneven bars and owns the Minnesota record on the bars at 9.95.

Cavazos also won her eighth floor exercise title of the season Sunday, tying her season-best with a 9.90. She has scored a 9.80 or higher on the floor exercise in all 12 meets this season. **Cavazos** is tied for No. 16 in the nation on the floor exercise with a regional qualifying score of 9.8812. She averages 9.858 on the floor exercise and has a share of the school record at 9.95.

KEYSER MOVES INTO BALANCE BEAM RANKINGS — **Cathy Keyser**, the 1998 Big Ten balance beam champion, has moved into the national rankings for the first time this season. She is tied for No. 21 on the balance beam with a regional qualifying score of 9.8562. She has won the balance beam six times this season and averages 9.744 on the beam, led by a Minnesota season-high 9.90 last Friday against West Virginia.

CHRISTENSEN RANKED ON FLOOR — **Catie Christensen** entered the national rankings for the first time a week ago, at No. 23 in the floor exercise. She fell out of the rankings this week despite recording a 9.80 against West Virginia on March 12. **Christensen** has scored a 9.80 or higher in 11 of the 12 meets this season, including the last seven.

FIVE DIFFERENT GOPHERS LEAD EVENTS — Five different Minnesota athletes hold the team's top score in the five events. **Shanyn Lancaster** recorded a 9.90 on the vault March 5. **Judy Cavazos** is the Gophers' top scorer on the uneven bars, with a 9.925 set twice, Sunday against Denver and Feb. 27 at Illinois. **Cathy Keyser** scored Minnesota's top balance beam mark of 9.925 Sunday. **Megan Beuckens** has Minnesota's top floor exercise score of the season, 9.925, set on March 5. **MaryAnne Kelley** scored a 39.025 in the all around March 5 for the team's top score of the season.

POURSHOUSTARI AND MAZZONE OUT FOR SEASON — Frosh Mariam Pourshoustari (Rockville, Md./Walter Johnson) tore her left ACL on her beam dismount at Iowa State. She had surgery on Thursday and will not return this season.

Senior Jenny Mazzone (Sparks, Nev./McQueen) had knee surgery Dec. 14 and will not return to the Golden Gopher lineup.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches Jim and Meg Stephenson are in their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 28-12 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson is in his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. Stephenson has a career record of 101-95, with a record of 73-83 in his first five years at Minnesota. Jim Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson is in her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Stephenson was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

NATIONAL RANKING (March 16) —

1. Georgia	197.1125
2. Alabama	197.0875
3. Utah	196.8000
4. LSU	196.1562
5. Michigan	196.0812
6. Penn State	196.0375
7. Nebraska	195.6375
8. Arizona State	195.5062
9. Ohio State	195.1375
10. Maryland	195.1000
11. Florida	194.9187
12. Utah State	194.8125
13. Oregon State	194.8125
14. UCLA	194.7375
15. Stanford	194.7375
16. Minnesota	194.7000
17. Oklahoma	194.6062
18. Kentucky	194.5937
19. Denver	194.5250
20. Iowa State	194.4750
21. West Virginia	194.4375
22. Illinois-Chicago	194.3812
23. North Carolina State	194.2687
24. Illinois	194.2187
25. Towson	194.2125

OTHER TEAM RANKINGS (March 16) —

Event	Rank	RQS
Vault	19	48.5562
Uneven Bars	16	48.8687
Balance Beam	24	48.4375
Floor Exercise	10	49.0750

INDIVIDUALS IN THE NATIONAL RANKINGS —

Uneven Bars	t19	Judy Cavazos	9.8875
Balance Beam	t21	Cathy Keyser	9.8562
Floor Exercise	t16	Judy Cavazos	9.8812

BIG TEN RANKINGS (March 16) —

1. Michigan	196.0812
2. Penn State	196.0375
3. Ohio State	195.1375
4. Minnesota	194.7000
5. Illinois	194.2187
6. Michigan State	192.6375

REGION 2 RANKINGS (March 16) —

1. Utah	196.8000
2. Utah State	194.8125
3. Minnesota	194.7000
4. Denver	194.5250
5. Iowa State	194.4750
6. Brigham Young	193.9562
7. Southern Utah	192.4625
8. Air Force Academy	189.0062
9. Hamline	176.3875

UP NEXT — The Region 2 meet will be held April 10 at Utah State. The top six teams from the region will compete, based on regional qualifying score.

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 10-5 Dual: 7-3 Home: 7-1 Away: 3-3 Neutral: 0-1 Big Ten: 4-0 Top 25: 5-4

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of Minnesota	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #5 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 #2 Utah	194.175	194.600	48.200	48.475	48.725	48.725	48.650	49.050	48.600	48.350
1/30 at #1 Alabama	194.650	196.025	48.600	48.750	48.825	49.550	48.350	48.375	48.875	49.350
2/6 #12 Iowa State	193.375	191.075	48.275	48.300	48.275	48.450	48.175	46.250	48.650	48.075
2/13 Iowa	194.275	187.725	48.325	47.450	48.950	46.075	48.175	46.175	48.825	48.025
2/20 at #12 West Virginia	192.425	195.175	48.250	48.600	48.275	49.000	46.825	48.375	49.075	49.200
vs. North Carolina State		193.200		48.375		48.225		47.850		48.750
2/27 at #25 Illinois	194.900	194.475	48.750	48.100	49.250	48.900	47.775	48.750	49.125	48.725
3/5 at Iowa	194.875	0.0	48.700	0.0	48.875	0.0	47.950	0.0	49.350*	0.0
3/7 at #20 Iowa State	195.575	195.775	48.575	48.875	48.825	48.800	49.025	48.825	49.150	49.275
3/12 #14 West Virginia	194.375	189.875	48.350	47.450	48.700	47.300	48.475	47.675	48.850	47.450
3/21 #19 Denver	196.125	194.700	48.750	48.925	49.350*	48.825	48.925	48.125	49.100	48.825
3/27 Big Ten Championships										

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM SEASON HIGHS BY EVENT

Vault	9.900	Shanyn Lancaster	at Iowa, 3/5
Uneven Bars	9.925	Judy Cavazos	vs. #19 Denver, 3/21 at #25 Illinois, 2/27
Balance Beam	9.925	Cathy Keyser	vs. #19 Denver, 3/21
Floor Exercise	9.925	Megan Beuckens	at Iowa, 3/5
All Around	39.025	MaryAnne Kelley	at Iowa, 3/5
Team Vault	48.750	vs. #19 Denver, 3/21 at #25 Illinois, 2/27	
Team Uneven Bars	49.350*	vs. #19 Denver, 3/21	
Team Balance Beam	49.025	at #20 Iowa State, 3/7	
Team Floor Exercise	49.350*	at Iowa, 3/5	
Total Team Score	196.125	vs. #19 Denver, 3/21	

* School record



1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule

Overall: 20-5 Big Ten: 0-0

FEBRUARY

12-14 Metrodome Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Missouri in semis)

18 North Carolina W, 3-1; W, 1-0

19-21 Triangle Classic
(7-0 record, co-champs with Marshall)

26-28 Troy Cox Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Texas Tech in quarters)

MARCH

5-7 Aggie II Invitational
(5-1 record, tournament champions)

22 at Florida State (2) 5:30 p.m.
24 at Bethune-Cook. (2) 2 p.m.
26 at South Florida (2) 5 p.m.
31 MSU, Mankato (2) 2 p.m.
(Rice Street Dome)

APRIL

3 at Purdue (2) 1 p.m.
4 at Purdue 1 p.m.
7 Drake (2) 3 p.m.
10 at Michigan (2) 1 p.m.
11 at Michigan 1 p.m.
13 at Iowa State (2) 3 p.m.
15 Northern Iowa (2) 3 p.m.
17 Penn State (2) 1 p.m.
18 Penn State Noon
21 at Wisconsin (2) 1 p.m.
24 Indiana (2) 1 p.m.
25 Indiana Noon
28 at Northwestern (2) 2 p.m.

MAY

1 at Michigan State (2) 1 p.m.
2 at Michigan State Noon
5 Iowa (2) 2 p.m.
8 Ohio State (2) 1 p.m.
9 Ohio State Noon
14-15 Big Ten Tournament TBA
20-23 NCAA Regionals TBA
27-31 NCAA Women's College
World Series (Oklahoma City)

* Big Ten games
Home games in **bold** at Bierman Softball Stadium, unless otherwise indicated.
Game times local to site.

Minnesota Softball 1999

Record: 20-5

National Ranking: No. 18



March 22: at Florida State (19-16-1), 5:30 p.m. (EST)
March 24: at Bethune-Cookman (12-22), 2 p.m. (EST)
March 26: at No. 19 South Florida (29-13), 5 p.m. (EST)

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Minnesota (20-5), ranked 18th in the USA Today/NFCA coaches' poll, returns to action this week with a six-game road trip to the state of Florida. The Gophers will play non-conference doubleheaders at Florida State, Bethune-Cookman and South Florida. Minnesota has the second-best non-conference record of any Big Ten team. **Shannon Beeler (Shelton, Wash./Shelton)** is within two home runs of becoming the Big Ten's all-time home run leader. **Steph Klaviter (New Ulm, Minn./Cathedral)** won her 68th career game March 5 against Texas A&M, becoming the school's all-time winningest pitcher.

MINNESOTA'S CO-COACHES — Minnesota co-head coach **Lisa Bernstein** is in her eighth season at the school. Her overall record is 260-187-1 (.582). **Bernstein** won her 250th game in the Triangle Classic, defeating Ball State in the Gophers' first game Feb. 21. In the last three-plus seasons, Minnesota has won 70 percent of its games and qualified for two NCAA tournaments.

Minnesota co-head coach **Julie Standerling** was elevated to her current position Jan. 22, and has a Minnesota career record of 20-5 (.800). **Standerling** was an assistant coach at Minnesota from 1992-96 and had been the associate head coach of the Gophers for the past two seasons.

BIG TEN UPDATE — Minnesota has the second-best non-conference record of any Big Ten team. Michigan, the defending Big Ten champion, has not lost in 17 games and has the highest ranking (No. 10) of any Big Ten team. Iowa (No. 21) is the other Big Ten team that is nationally ranked, and no other conference team is receiving votes in the national poll. Michigan and Iowa played twice March 21 in the Capital Classic, with Michigan taking the first game 2-0 and the second game ending in a 2-2 tie after eight innings. The standings, through games of March 21:

	Record	Pct.	Next Game
Michigan	21-5-1	.808	at Boilermaker Classic (March 27)
Minnesota	20-5	.800	at Florida State (March 22)
Iowa	20-7-1	.741	hosts Hawkeye Classic (March 27)
Purdue	13-8	.619	vs. Notre Dame (March 23)
Michigan State	16-11	.593	at Fla. State Invite (March 27)
Penn State	11-9	.550	at Virginia Invite (March 26)
Wisconsin	8-7	.533	vs. Loyola-Chicago (March 30)
Ohio State	7-8	.467	at Cal State-Fullerton (March 22)
Indiana	8-12	.400	at Indiana State (March 23)
Northwestern	9-14	.391	at Buzz Classic (March 26)

ABOUT FLORIDA STATE — Florida State has qualified for 12 of the last 13 NCAA softball tournaments. They qualified for the College World Series in 1987, 1990, 1991, 1992 and 1993. In last week's games, Florida State split a doubleheader with No. 17 Massachusetts and swept two games from Virginia.

THE SERIES — Florida State leads the series, 1-0.

ABOUT BETHUNE-COOKMAN — Bethune-Cookman is 12-22 overall and 5-1 in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference. The Lady Wildcats were 30-27 last season, falling to Florida A&M in the final game of the MEAC championship tournament. Junior catcher Kamilah Johnson and junior outfielder Ayanna Pullam were first-team all-MEAC selections in 1998. Bethune-Cookman will host a doubleheader against Hartford and two twinbills versus Maryland-Eastern Shore before playing Minnesota.

THE SERIES — First meeting.

ABOUT SOUTH FLORIDA — The Bulls are ranked 19th nationally after a 29-13 start. Last year's team qualified for the NCAA tournament and finished the season with a 57-14 record. In its two doubleheaders last week, South Florida split two games with No. 20 New Mexico and swept a pair of games from Virginia. South Florida will host a doubleheader against Elon College on Wednesday before hosting the Gophers.

THE SERIES — Minnesota leads the series, 2-0.

BEELER CONTINUES THE RECORD CHASE — Minnesota shortstop **Shannon Beeler** has shattered many of the records in the Gopher record book, both single season and career. No Gopher has hit more home runs than **Beeler**, and no Gopher has driven in more runs than **Beeler**, either in a single season or a career. Since that measure of comparison is gone, **Beeler** must now be compared to the greatest players in Big Ten and NCAA history. With her three home runs in College Station, **Beeler** pulled to within one home run of the all-time Big Ten home record, held by Monica Armendarez of Indiana. She has moved within four RBI of ninth place on the NCAA all-time RBI list, and is on pace to move into the top five before the season is finished. The data:

**NCAA DIVISION I CAREER LEADERS
HOME RUNS**

1. Leah Braatz, Arizona	85
12. Nina Lindenberg, Fresno St./LBSU	40
Chelo Lopez, Cal State Northridge	40
14. Monica Armendarez, Indiana	38
15. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota*	37
Shannon Tanski, Liberty	37

RUNS BATTED IN

1. Jenny Dalton, Arizona	328
7. Nina Lindenberg, Fresno St./LBSU	218
8. Sara Pickering, Washington	216
9. Ali Viola, Nebraska	213
10. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota*	209

* denotes active players

THE DEUCE DRIVES ON — Minnesota center fielder **Steph Midthun (Rio Rancho, N.M./Cibola)** can occasionally get overlooked on a team that hits as many home runs as the Gophers do. However, do not underestimate the impact that the Minnesota leadoff has on the Gopher offense. **Midthun** had a big weekend in Texas, hitting .526 (10-for-19) with four stolen bases and seven runs scored. She leads the Gophers with a .402 batting average, 33 hits and 10 stolen bases. **Midthun** has not been caught stealing this season. She is tied with **Shannon Beeler** for team leadership with 22 runs scored. **Midthun** needs nine hits to become the seventh Gopher in history with 200 career hits. She is tied for fourth on the all-time career list with 129 runs scored and is fourth with 61 stolen bases. A career .345 hitter, **Midthun's** average has risen in every year of her career.

KLAVITER BREAKS WINS RECORD — **Steph Klaviter**

is Minnesota's all-time winningest pitcher after winning her 68th game Friday at Texas A&M. She broke the record previously held by Brenda Bixby, who won 67 games from 1988-92. **Klaviter**, who has won 73 percent of her games at Minnesota, is in second place on the Gopher all-time list with 299 strikeouts and is tied for fifth with 16 shutouts. She now has thrown 603 innings in her Gopher career, becoming the third Minnesota pitcher in history to do so.

KLAVITER TO PARTICIPATE IN USA SOFTBALL NATIONAL TEAM FESTIVAL — **Steph Klaviter**

has been chosen to participate in the 1999 Coca-Cola USA Softball Women's National Team Festival from June 8-14 in Fresno, Calif. **Klaviter** will be one of 60 players in the Festival. Ten players in the group have been chosen to participate as a member of the United States team at the 1999 Pan American Games. **Klaviter** will compete for one of the five remaining positions.

THE POLL — The Gophers are ranked 18th in this week's USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association poll. Minnesota was tied for 18th in the previous poll. The next poll will be released Wednesday.

GOPHER HOME OPENER MARCH 31 — The

Gophers' next action after their trip to Florida will be a non-conference doubleheader against Minnesota State, Mankato, on March 31 at 2 p.m. at the Rice Street Dome in St. Paul. Minnesota's Big Ten opener is April 3 at Purdue.

1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule/Results

Metrodome Softball Classic (Minneapolis, Minn.)		
Feb. 12	W, 8-7	Western Illinois
	L, 7-0	Kansas
Feb. 13	W, 8-0 (5)	Northern Illinois
	W, 2-1	Missouri
Feb. 14	L, 4-3	Missouri

Feb. 18	W, 3-1	North Carolina
	W, 1-0 (6)	North Carolina

Triangle Classic (Raleigh, N.C.)		
Feb. 19	W, 7-5	Campbell
Feb. 20	W, 3-2	Akron
	W, 12-2 (5)	UNC-Wilmington
	W, 1-0 (8)	Virginia
Feb. 21	W, 3-2	Ball State
	W, 6-5 (8)	Maryland
	W, 1-0	Illinois-Chicago

Troy Cox Invitational (Las Cruces, N.M.)		
Feb. 26	W, 3-1 (9)	Wichita State
	W, 8-5	Utah
Feb. 27	W, 11-7	New Mexico State
	L, 5-1	Oregon State
	L, 5-0	Texas Tech

Aggie II Invitational (College Station, Texas)		
Mar. 5	W, 8-0 (5)	Butler
	W, 2-0	Texas A&M
Mar. 6	W, 6-1	Butler
	L, 2-0	Texas A&M
Mar. 7	W, 10-3	Dayton
	W, 8-0 (5)	Dayton

Mar. 22	5:30 p.m.	Florida State
		Florida State

Mar. 24	3 p.m.	Bethune-Cookman
		Bethune-Cookman

Mar. 26	5 p.m.	South Florida
		South Florida

Mar. 31	2 p.m.	MSU, MANKATO
		MSU, MANKATO

(Games played at Rice Street Dome)

Apr. 3	1 p.m.	Purdue
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Purdue

Apr. 4	1 p.m.	Purdue
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Apr. 7	3 p.m.	DRAKE
		DRAKE

Apr. 10	1 p.m.	Michigan
		Michigan

Apr. 11	1 p.m.	Michigan
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Apr. 13	3 p.m.	Iowa State
		Iowa State

Apr. 15	3 p.m.	NORTHERN IOWA
		NORTHERN IOWA

Apr. 17	1 p.m.	PENN STATE
		PENN STATE

Apr. 18	noon	PENN STATE
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Apr. 21	1 p.m.	Wisconsin
		Wisconsin

Apr. 24	1 p.m.	INDIANA
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INDIANA

Apr. 25	noon	INDIANA
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Apr. 28	2 p.m.	Northwestern
		Northwestern

May 1	1 p.m.	Michigan State
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Michigan State

May 2	noon	Michigan State
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May 5	2 p.m.	IOWA
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IOWA

May 8	1 p.m.	OHIO STATE
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OHIO STATE

May 9	noon	OHIO STATE
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Home games in bold are played at the Bierman Softball Stadium unless otherwise noted.

All times are local to the site of the game.

Overall:	20-5	Big Ten:	0-0
Home:	0-0	Home:	0-0
Away:	3-1	Away:	0-0
Neutral:	17-4		

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Mar 08, 1999)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 20-5-0 Home 0-0-0 Away: 3-1-0 Neutral: 17-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Steph Midthun.....	.402	25-25	82	22	33	4	0	0	7	37	.451	2	0	10	0	.417	0	5	10-10	23	4	1	.964
Shannon Beeler.....	.378	24-24	74	22	28	8	0	7	28	57	.770	6	1	4	0	.432	0	3	4-4	40	58	8	.925
Tammi Hays.....	.366	25-25	71	16	26	1	0	0	5	27	.380	5	1	15	0	.416	0	8	4-6	26	0	3	.897
Jordanne Nygren.....	.365	25-25	74	15	27	2	0	9	27	56	.757	10	0	15	0	.440	0	3	0-1	53	39	4	.958
Angel Braden.....	.345	12-12	29	4	10	1	1	0	8	13	.448	4	2	8	0	.457	0	1	0-0	9	19	7	.800
Amy Hafemeyer.....	.333	11-10	24	2	8	1	0	0	2	9	.375	0	0	5	0	.333	0	6	0-1	1	0	0	1.000
Michelle Bennett....	.250	18-18	44	5	11	2	0	2	6	19	.432	10	1	7	0	.400	0	4	1-1	127	11	7	.952
Christine Lindberg..	.214	14-9	28	3	6	2	0	1	2	11	.393	1	0	10	0	.241	0	2	2-2	0	9	2	.818
Katie Orth.....	.200	14-9	30	5	6	0	0	1	2	9	.300	2	0	6	1	.250	0	1	1-1	8	5	0	1.000
Erin Mooney.....	.200	11-2	15	0	3	0	0	0	2	3	.200	0	1	5	0	.250	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Morgan Holden.....	.180	22-19	50	5	9	2	0	0	4	11	.220	5	1	10	0	.268	0	2	0-0	15	25	9	.816
Lara Severson.....	.167	18-12	30	7	5	0	0	0	2	5	.167	5	0	10	0	.286	0	1	0-1	4	1	0	1.000
Dana Ballard.....	.154	6-6	13	1	2	1	0	0	2	3	.231	2	0	2	0	.267	0	0	0-0	53	5	0	1.000
Erin Brophy.....	.140	19-15	43	6	6	5	0	0	6	11	.256	6	1	8	0	.260	0	1	1-1	61	11	3	.960
Meghan Smith.....	.133	15-14	30	0	4	1	0	0	1	5	.167	0	3	15	0	.212	0	1	1-1	82	4	6	.935
--- Others ---																							
Ninette Mohns.....	.000	15-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-2	0	1	0	1.000
Totals.....	.289	25-25	637	115	184	30	1	20	104	276	.433	58	11	130	1	.358	0	38	27-32	507	226	53	.933
Opponents.....	.224	25-25	646	65	145	13	2	10	49	192	.297	48	8	132	0	.286	0	25	16-22	482	202	33	.954

LOB - Team (151), Opp (159). DPs turned - Team (6), Opp (2). IBB - Team (1), Nygren 1, Opp (5). Picked off - Mohns 1, Ballard 1, Beeler 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Heather Brown.....	1.21	4-0	8	6	2	1/1	0	29.0	27	10	5	6	30	1	0	3	120	.248	1	1	0	0	4
Steph Klaviter.....	1.29	7-3	14	10	6	4/0	2	65.0	53	24	12	17	49	6	2	2	279	.213	3	3	0	0	10
Michelle Harrison...	1.31	7-1	12	5	4	0/1	1	53.1	45	18	10	14	33	5	0	2	227	.221	3	2	0	0	7
Rayny Camacho.....	1.94	2-1	5	4	2	1/0	0	21.2	20	13	6	11	20	1	0	3	101	.238	4	2	0	0	4
Totals.....	1.37	20-5	25	25	14	7/1	3	169.0	145	65	33	48	132	13	2	10	727	.224	11	8	0	0	25
Opponents.....	4.01	5-20	25	25	20	3/0	0	160.2	184	115	92	58	130	30	1	20	744	.289	7	11	0	0	38

PB - Team (8), Smith 6, Brophy 2, Opp (12). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - Smith (9-11), Brophy (7-11), Klaviter (5-9), Harrison (7-8), Camacho (3-3), Brown (1-2).



University of Minnesota
Women's Athletics

1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 9-3

Big Ten: 3-0

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan W, 5-2
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 at #35 Marquette L, 5-4

FEBRUARY

7 Illinois-Chicago W, 5-2
12 at Syracuse W, 6-1
13 vs. #41 Maryland (at Syracuse) L, 6-3
20 Illinois W, 5-2
27 Indiana W, 5-2
28 Purdue W, 4-3

MARCH

5 at Iowa State W, 9-0
6 at Drake W, 6-3
25 at Texas Christian 2 p.m.

APRIL

4 Northwestern 10 a.m.
10 at Iowa 10 a.m.
11 at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)
14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home matches in bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

at Texas Christian
Thursday, March 25

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GOPHERS COMPETE AT TEXAS CHRISTIAN — Minnesota is back in action on Thursday, March 25, when the Gophers travel to Texas Christian. The Golden Gophers have not competed since March 6, when they defeated Drake, 6-3, in Des Moines, Iowa. Minnesota is on a five-match winning streak and has started the season 9-3, including a 3-0 record in the Big Ten.

GOPHERS START CONFERENCE SEASON PERFECT — Minnesota has a perfect 3-0 record to open the 1999 Big Ten season. Last year, Minnesota started conference play 4-0 before falling to Michigan.

SITINEE ON A HOT STREAK — Senior **Sitinee Rangsitienchai (Flossmoor, Ill/Homewood Flossmoor)** has won seven matches in a row, including three straight in the Big Ten season. She has won nine of 10 matches since moving to the No. 3 position. **Rangsitienchai** has Minnesota's best spring record, 10-2, and is 21-9 overall in the 1998-99 season.

SAUSKA AND HOWARD LEADING IN DOUBLES — The doubles team of junior **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** and frosh **Jen Howard (Thornhill, Ontario/Thornlea)** has the team's best doubles record, 16-4. After a 7-1 fall season, the duo has compiled a 9-3 spring record, including 3-0 in the Big Ten.

THE GOPHERS IN THE RANKINGS — Minnesota is ranked No. 47 in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings, released March 9. The next rankings will be released Tuesday.

ABOUT TEXAS CHRISTIAN — The Horned Frogs are ranked No. 51 and have a 5-6 record. **Lucie Dvorakova** leads the team with a 7-4 record at the No. 1 position. **Jessica Kjeligren** is 5-2 at No. 4 singles. In doubles, the team of **Dvorakova** and **Daria Zoldakova** are 4-1 at No. 1 and 5-0 at No. 2. **Leoni Weirich** and **Jessica Kjeligren** are 6-4 at No. 3 doubles.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — **Martin Novak** is in his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gophers. **Novak** has compiled a record of 90-98. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten.

UP NEXT — Minnesota will return home on Sunday, April 4, for a Big Ten match against Northwestern.

1998-99 University of Minnesota Women's Tennis

Overall: 9-3 Big Ten: 3-0 Home: 5-1 Away: 3-1 Neutral: 1-1

Date	Opponent	Location	W/L	Score	Record	Big Ten
1/22	#15 Pepperdine	Home	L	5-2	0-1	
1/23	DePaul	Home	W	6-1	1-1	
1/30	Western Michigan	Milwaukee	W	7-2	2-1	
1/31	#35 Marquette	Away	L	5-4	2-2	
2/7	Illinois-Chicago	Home	W	5-2	3-2	
2/12	Syracuse	Away	W	6-1	4-2	
2/13	#41 Maryland	Syracuse	L	6-3	4-3	
2/20	#62 Illinois*	Home	W	5-2	5-3	1-0
2/27	#37 Indiana*	Home	W	5-2	6-3	2-0
2/28	#43 Purdue*	Home	W	4-3	7-3	3-0
3/5	Iowa State	Away	W	9-0	8-3	
3/6	Drake	Away	W	6-3	9-3	
3/25	Texas Christian	Away				
4/4	Northwestern*	Home				
4/10	Iowa*	Away				
4/11	Wisconsin*	Away				
4/16	Michigan*	Home				
4/18	Michigan State*	Home				
4/23	Ohio State*	Away				
4/25	Penn State*	Away				
4/29-30	Big Ten Championship	Michigan State				

*Big Ten Conference matches

Singles	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Spring	Big Ten	Pct.	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang							4-0				4-0	1.000
Kim Simonsen	2-2	7-1					6-3	9-3	3-0	1.000	15-6	.714
S. Rangsitienchai	1-1		9-1				11-7	10-2	3-0	1.000	21-9	.700
Nora Sauska	4-2	3-1	2-0				8-5	9-3	2-1	.667	17-8	.680
Jen Howard				0-1	7-4		3-3	7-5	1-2	.333	10-8	.556
Tarah Elkins				3-4	1-0	3-1	3-2	7-5	0-3	.000	10-7	.588
Jana Hrdinova				1-3		5-2	3-3	6-5	3-0	1.000	9-8	.529
Andrea Rose						1-0	2-3	1-0			3-3	.500
Totals	7-5	10-2	11-1	4-8	8-4	9-3	40-26	49-23	12-6	.667	89-49	.645

Doubles	#1	#2	#3	Open	Spring	Big Ten	Pct.	Total	Pct.
Simonsen/Rose	1-0				1-0			1-0	1.000
Sauska/Howard		0-1	9-2	7-1	9-3	3-0	1.000	16-4	.800
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1				2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1				1-1	.500
Elkins/Rangsitienchai		6-5	1-0	1-2	7-5	1-2	.667	8-7	.533
Hrdinova/Simonsen	5-6			3-3	5-6	1-2	.667	8-9	.471
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2				1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsitienchai				0-1				0-1	.000
Totals		6-6	6-6	10-2	15-11	22-14	.545	37-25	.597

1999 Minnesota Schedule

INDOOR

January

- 9 **Northwest Open** unscored
16 **at Badger Classic** unscored
 (Madison, Wis.)
23 **at Wis.-Stout** 5th (48 points)
30 **Minnesota Classic** 1st (89 points)

February

- 5-6 **at Iowa State Invitational** unscored
 (Ames, Iowa)
13 **Minnesota Open** unscored
20-21 **at Big Ten Championships**
 (Ohio State) 7th (66.33 points)
26 **Iowa State Qualifier** unscored

March

- 5-6 **at NCAA Championships**
 (Indianapolis) 1-24th (8 points)
21-28 **Spring Trip**
 (Rice University)

Home meets in bold at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

April

- 2-3 **at Texas Relays**
 (Austin, Texas)
10 **at Sun Devil Invitational**
 (Arizona State)
17 **at UNI Invitational**
 at St. Olaf Invitational
23-24 **at Penn Relays**
 (Philadelphia, Pa.)
24-25 **at Drake Relays**
 (Des Moines, Iowa)
25 **at Macalaster Invitational**
 (St. Paul, Minn.)

May

- 1 **Heartland Classic** 10 a.m.
1 **at Iowa Invitational** 10 a.m.
8 **Minnesota Open** 10 a.m.
8 **at North Carolina Invitational**
15 **Minnesota Qualifier** 10 a.m.
21-23 **at Big Ten Championships**
 (Purdue)

June

- 2-5 **at NCAA Championships**
 (Boise State)

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Minnesota Track and Field 1999

Spring Training Trip
at Bayou Classic
Rice University (Houston, Texas)

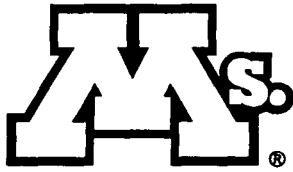
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GOPHERS TO COMPETE AT BAYOU CLASSIC — Minnesota is in Houston, Texas, for its Spring Training Trip this week. The Gophers will compete in the Bayou Classic hosted by Rice University on Friday and Saturday, March 26-27.

INDOOR REVIEW — Minnesota finished the indoor track and field season March 6 at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships in Indianapolis. Sophomore **Aubrey Schmitt (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)** earned All-America honors by placing second in the shot put with a school-record 54-4 3/4, a Big Ten indoor record. Junior **Christine Gulbrandsen (Kristiansand, Norway/Katedralskole)** placed 12th in the triple jump. Minnesota tied for 24th place with eight points. Texas placed first with 61.

The Gophers set seven team records in the 1999 indoor season. **Aubrey Schmitt** broke the shot put record at the Big Ten Championships and set the weight throw record of 59-9 1/2. **Christine Gulbrandsen** broke her own record in the triple jump (42-10 1/4) and the pole vault (11-6). Senior **Yvette White (Washington, D.C./Woodrow Wilson)** set records in the 400 meters (56.10 seconds) and 60 hurdles (8.72). Senior **Kim Heath (Pittsburgh, Pa./Schenley)** set the Minnesota record in the 60 meters (7.74).

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — Head coach Gary Wilson is in his 14th season at Minnesota. Wilson guided the Golden Gophers to the NCAA Cross Country Championships for the second consecutive year in 1998. The cross country team also finished third at both the Big Ten meet and the NCAA regional meet for the second consecutive year. Along the way, junior **Rasa Michniovaite** won the individual title at the regional meet and earned All-America honors by placing 16th. Wilson also coached the Minnesota track and field team to top-25 finishes at the NCAA outdoor championships in 1990, 1991, 1995 and 1996.



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 **Minnesota Inv.**
3rd of 13 teams
- 25-27 **Lady Northern**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
8th of 14 teams

OCTOBER

- 12-13 **Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot Out**
(Bloomington, Ind.)
11th of 15 teams
- 23-24 **Notre Dame Inv.**
(Bonita Springs, Fla.)
3rd of 13 teams

FEBRUARY

- 27-28 **Midwest Classic**
(Dallas, Tex.)
1st of 13 teams

MARCH

- 8-9 **Peggy Kirk Invitational**
(Winter Springs, Fla.)
T-7th of 17
- 27-28 **Myrtle Beach**
Taylor Made Classic
(Myrtle Beach, S.C.)

APRIL

- 10-11 **Indiana Invitational**
(Bloomington, Ind.)
- 17-18 **Hawkeye Invitational**
(Iowa City, Iowa)
- 24-25 **Buckeye Invitational**
(Columbus, Ohio)
- 30 **Big Ten Championship**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)

MAY

- 1-2 **Big Ten Championship**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 6-8 **NCAA East Regional**
(U. of South Carolina)
- 19-22 **NCAA Championship**
(Tulsa University)

Home tournament played at the U. of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course



Minnesota Golf 1998-99

Myrtle Beach Taylor Made Classic
Saturday-Sunday, March 27-28
Myrtle Beach, S.C.

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GOLDEN GOPHERS HOST CLASSIC – The University of Minnesota women's golf team will host the third annual Myrtle Beach Taylor Made Classic at the Myrtlewood Golf Club's Pine Hills Course in Myrtle Beach, S.C., on Saturday and Sunday, March 27-28.

The tournament is in its third year but the 1999 Classic marks the first time that the event has a major sponsor, Taylor Made, a national leader in golf equipment. Businesses throughout the Myrtle Beach area will also join forces in making this spring's tournament a huge success.

The Myrtlewood Golf Club will once again provide the challenging, yet beautiful backdrop to this collegiate women's golf event. The 36-hole Classic will be played on a 5,900-yard course with a par of 72.

"We're excited to be part of a growing tournament, it's come a long way in three years," said Keith Stanzel, Director of Marketing and Sales for the golf division of Burroughs and Chapin. "The Classic is a nice commitment for us, it associates us with the leaders of tomorrow."

Currently eight teams, in addition to Coastal Carolina and Minnesota, are expected to compete in this year's Classic: defending champion Northwestern University, University of Iowa, Iowa State University, Northern Illinois University, Ohio University, University of North Carolina-Wilmington, University of Michigan and the College of Charleston.

"This tournament has the potential to be one of the finest in the nation," said Minnesota women's golf coach Kathy Williams. "The location, the course, the sponsors, the teams, we're all striving to make this tournament a great one."

THE LAST TIME OUT – Minnesota dropped two strokes from their first-day tally but still slid down one position in the team standings, finishing in a tie for seventh at the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational, March 8-9, in Winter Springs, Fla. The Golden Gophers completed the tournament with a score of 653 (328-325) behind champion Campbell's winning score of 630 (312-318).

Sophomore **Jenny Bruun** played to a 6-over-par 78 in the second day's round to tally 161; placing in a tie for 18th place and turning in the Gophers' highest finish in the tourney. Seniors **Michelle Ballou** and **Melanie Lepp** fell from the top 20 in the second round. **Ballou**, who was in 14th place after 18 holes, fell to a 28th-place tie at 164 (80-84). **Lepp** finished in a tie for 68th at 173 (81-92) after entering the final round in 20th place.

Campbell's Patricia Monchietti captured medalist honors after winning a playoff. Monchietti was one of four golfers to post a 36-hole score of 156.

Minnesota Finishes

T18	Jenny Bruun (Crookston, Minn./Central)	83-78	161
T28	Michelle Ballou (Chaska, Minn./Chaska)	80-84	164
T32	Donna Boom (Albert Lea, Minn./Albert Lea)	84-81	165
T68	Melanie Lepp (Easton, Minn./United South Central)	81-92	173
T68	Katie Bakken (Brooklyn Center, Minn./Brooklyn Center)	91-82	173

A LOOK AHEAD – The Golden Gophers next competition is April 10-11 at the Indiana Invitational in Bloomington, Ind.



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule
40-1-1 overall
1999 Big Ten Champion

NOVEMBER

- 6-7 at North Carolina
 (Chapel Hill, N.C.)
 def. Michigan 230.5-139.5
 def. S. Carolina 278-92
 tied N. Carolina 185-185
- 13-14 Meet of Champions Exb.
 (Evanston, Ill.)
- 20-22 **Minnesota Invitational**
 (1st/12 teams, 1,045.5 pts.)

DECEMBER

- 13-24 Training Trips
 Swimmers - Maui, Hawaii
 Divers - Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

JANUARY

- 8-10 All-American Inv. (Divers)
 (Austin, Texas)
- 9 **Gold Country Invitational**
 (1st/13 teams, 1,257 pts.)
- 16 **Nebraska W, 170-130**
- 22 at Northwestern L, 154-146
- 23 **Iowa W, 169.5-130.5**
- 29-30 Wisconsin W, 224-117
 Illinois W, 227-118
 Purdue W, 238-118

FEBRUARY

- 5-6 **Minnesota Challenge ns**
- 18-20 **Big Ten Championship**
 (1st/11 teams, 668.5 pts.)
- 27 **Go-Pher-It Inv. ns**

MARCH

- 12-13 Zone C Diving ns
 (Bloomington, Ind.)
- 18-20 NCAA Championships
 (Athens, Ga.)
 (T-24th, 34 points)

Home meets at the University
 Aquatic Center, Dorothy L. Sheppard
 Pool



1998-99 Minnesota
Swimming & Diving

Season Completed

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GOLDEN GOPHERS END SEASON AT NCAA MEET — Minnesota concluded its 1998-99 season by placing in a tie with South Carolina for 24th at the NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships in Athens, Ga., March 18-20. The Golden Gophers scored 34 points. Georgia captured its first team title scoring 504.5 points, outdistancing second-place Stanford's total of 441.

JASHINSKY EARNS ALL-AMERICA ACCORD IN 100 FLY — Junior Terri Jashinsky (Menomonee Falls, Wis./Menomonee Falls) was the only Minnesota swimmer to earn individual honors at the NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships. Jashinsky placed 13th in the 100-yard butterfly in a time of 54.76 seconds to earn honorable mention All-America honors. She added the citation in the fly to three others earned in this year's championships in relay events. Jashinsky, the Big Ten title in the 100 fly, has earned a total of eight All-America awards in her career but this is her first in an individual event.

ALL FIVE RELAYS SCORE AT NATIONALS — For the first time in Minnesota history, all five of the Golden Gopher relays scored at the NCAA Championships, each earning honorable mention All-America status.

The 400 medley relay of Beth Shimanski (Hutchinson, Minn./Hutchinson), Kate McMillan (Palatine, Ill./Palatine), Terri Jashinsky and Jenny Hennen (Anoka, Minn./Anoka) swam a time of 3:45.95 for 16th place. Shimanski, Jashinsky and Hennen are repeat honorable mention All-Americans in the event, placing 11th in the event in 1998. It was McMillan's first All-America honor of her career.

Minnesota's 800 freestyle relay of Amy Cottrill (Fairport, N.Y./Fairport), Katy Christoferson (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville), Jinny Smedstad Cedar Rapids, Iowa/JFK) and Hennen also placed 11th with a time of 7:21.57. Hennen collected her third All-America honor in this event, while for Christoferson and Cottrill it was their second. Smedstad earned the first All-America honor of her career.

The 200 freestyle relay, with the squad of Christoferson (Burnsville, Minn./Burnsville), Cottrill, Jashinsky and Hennen, posted a time of 1:33.15 to place 13th in the consolation final. Cottrill, Jashinsky and Hennen earned their second All-America honor in this event. All three were members of the Gophers' 13th-place relay in 1997.

The Golden Gopher 400 freestyle relay, of Cottrill, Christoferson, Meaghan Sonstegard (Sioux Falls, S.D./Apple Valley) and Hennen finished the relay scoring, placing 15th with a time of 3:23.70. The honorable mention All-America citation was the first in this event for all four swimmers.

The 200 medley relay of Sonstegard, McMillan, Jashinsky and Cottrill captured honorable mention All-America status by placing 15th with a time of 1:43.10. Sonstegard, Jashinsky and Cottrill earned their second All-America award in the event.

GOPHER INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES AT NCAA MEET —

Swimmer	Event	Place	Time
Jenny Hennen	200 fly	20th	2:01.40
	100 fly	25th	55.76
Kate McMillan	200 breast	36th	2:19.40
	100 breast	33rd	1:04.43
Meaghan Sonstegard	100 free	50th	51.88
	400 IM	23rd	4:22.14
Jinny Smedstad	500 free	42nd	4:57.01
	50 free	47th	23.67
Katy Christoferson	400 IM	24th	4:22.40
	200 IM	27th	2:03.02
Beth Shimanski	100 back	27th	56.61

University of Minnesota 1998-99 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 40-1-1 Dual Record: 7-1-1 Big Ten: 5-1 Invitationals: 23-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/6-7/98	vs. #7 Michigan	W	12th	230.5-139.5	1/23/99	Iowa	W	14th	169.5-130.5
11/6-7/98	at #16 North Carolina	T	12th	185-185	1/29-30/99	vs. #16 Wisconsin	W	14th	224-117
11/6-7/98	vs. South Carolina	W	12th	278-92	1/29-30/99	vs. Purdue	W	14th	238-118
11/13-14/98	at Meet of Champions	Exb.	12th	n/a	1/29-30/99	vs. Illinois	W	14th	227-118
11/20-22/98	Minnesota Invite	1st/12	13th	1045.5	2/5-6/99	Minnesota Challenge		14th	n/a
12/13-24/98	Training Trip (Hawaii/Florida)		13th	n/a	2/18-20/99	Big Ten Champ.	1st/11	14th	668.5
1/6-10/99	at All-American Inv. (Divers)		13th	n/a	2/27/99	Gopher Invitational	n/a	11th	
1/9/99	Gold Country Invite	1st/13	13th	1257	3/12-13/99	at NCAA Zone C Diving	n/a	11th	
1/16/99	#8 Nebraska	W	13th	170-130	3/18-20/99	at NCAA Championships	T24	11th	34
1/22/99	at #12 Northwestern	L	14th	154-146					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center Dorothy L. Sheppard Pool

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (22.78, 23.46, 22.97) Amy Cottrill 2/18/99 23.14 ⁶ Jenny Hennen 2/18/99 23.53 Katy Christoferson 2/18/99 23.69 ¹ Terri Jashinsky 2/5/99 23.73 Meghan Sonstegard 2/18/99 23.77	200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.70, 1:59.60) Ann Cahoy 2/20/99 2:00.52 ⁶ Amy Mickschl 2/20/99 2:01.05 ⁶ Emily Deppe 2/20/99 2:02.21 Jinny Smedstad 2/20/99 2:02.24 Beth Shimanski 2/20/99 2:02.70	400y Free Relay (3:19.16, 3:25.13, 3:20.28) 3:20.28 ^{2,6} Katy Christoferson, Amy Cottrill 2/20/99 Meghan Sonstegard, Jenny Hennen
100y Free (49.39, 50.87, 50.28) Jenny Hennen 2/20/99 50.04 ^{6,2} Amy Cottrill 2/20/98 50.37 ⁶ Katy Christoferson 2/20/99 50.52 ^{1,6} Meghan Sonstegard 2/20/98 50.80 ⁶ Terri Jashinsky 11/20/98 51.79	100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32 ^{4,5,9}) Kate McMillan 2/19/99 1:03.08 ⁶ Kelsey Hegener 2/19/99 1:03.51 ⁶ Elizabeth Pierce 2/19/99 1:05.25 Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 1:05.41 Kim Harrod 11/20/98 1:06.70	800y Free Relay (7:14.15, 7:27.17, 7:18.49) 7:18.49 ^{2,6} Jenny Hennen, Katy Christoferson 11/20/98 Jinny Smedstad, Amy Cottrill
200y Free (1:47.58, 1:50.80, 1:48.52) Amy Cottrill 2/19/99 1:48.89 ⁶ Jenny Hennen 2/19/99 1:49.80 ⁶ Jinny Smedstad 1/23/99 1:51.21 Amy Mickschl 2/19/99 1:51.36 Katy Christoferson 11/6/98 1:52.63	200y Breaststroke (2:14.16, 2:18.18, 2:11.60) Kate McMillan 2/20/99 2:16.23 ⁶ Kelsey Hegener 2/20/99 2:18.85 Elizabeth Pierce 2/20/99 2:18.86 Katy Christoferson 1/23/99 2:21.81 Kim Harrod 2/20/99 2:24.88	200y Medley Relay (1:41.48, 1:44.52, 1:41.58) 1:41.94 ⁶ Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan 2/19/99 Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill
500y Free (4:46.31, 4:54.89, 4:46.95 ⁹) Jinny Smedstad 2/18/99 4:48.86 ⁶ Amy Mickschl 2/18/99 5:01.00 Terri Jashinky 11/20/98 5:01.52 Marta Knowles 11/20/98 5:01.87 Jenny Hennen 11/20/98 5:05.80	100y Butterfly (54.58, 56.21, 54.24) Terri Jashinsky 2/19/99 54.38 ⁶ Jenny Hennen 2/19/99 54.68 ⁶ Andrea Simakova 2/19/99 55.56 Jen DeLong 2/19/99 57.62 Anne Koller 2/19/99 57.94	400y Medley Relay (3:39.58, 3:46.16, 3:41.27) 3:41.53 ⁶ Beth Shimanski, Kate McMillan, 2/18/99 Terri Jashinsky, Jenny Hennen
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68) Jinny Smedstad 1/29/99 10:07.45 Marta Knowles 1/22/99 10:22.04 Terri Jashinsky 1/23/99 10:27.88 Amy Mickschl 1/23/99 10:30.74 Briana Rygg 1/16/99 10:53.54	200y Butterfly (2:00.09, 2:03.69, 1:59.34) Jenny Hennen 2/20/99 1:59.34 ^{2,6} Terri Jashinsky 2/20/99 2:00.95 ⁶ Andrea Simakova 2/20/99 2:01.49 ⁶ Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 2:08.57 Kim Hamren 1/23/99 2:09.20	1 M Diving (6) (255, 295.12) T.D. Rowe 1/22/99 289.20 ⁷ Rachel Degener 1/22/99 275.55 ⁷ Tracy LaVoi 1/22/99 263.02 ⁷ Christina Rinkus 1/16/99 252.45 Rachelle Giese 1/23/99 220.05
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67) Marta Knowles 2/20/99 17:05.66 Jinny Smedstad 1/9/99 17:18.40 Shelley Miller 2/20/99 17:51.57 Briana Rygg 1/9/99 18:04.88 Kim Hamren 1/9/99 18:44.29	200y IM (2:00.94, 2:04.56, 2:02.29) Katy Christoferson 2/18/99 2:02.43 ⁶ Ann Cahoy 2/18/99 2:03.10 ⁶ Terri Jashinsky 2/18/99 2:03.44 ⁶ Andrea Simakova 2/18/99 2:04.02 ⁶ Emily Deppe 2/18/99 2:04.10 ⁶	1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15) T.D. Rowe 1/29/99 491.80 ⁷ Rachel Degener 1/29/99 431.15 ⁷ Christina Rinkus 1/29/99 391.70 ⁷ Tracy LaVoi 1/29/99 389.70 Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 322.90
100y Backstroke (54.87, 56.51, 54.21) Beth Shimanski 2/19/99 55.51 ⁶ Lital Kashriel 2/19/99 56.42 Ann Cahoy 2/19/99 56.57 Meghan Sonstegard 2/19/99 56.85 Sara Rutkowski 2/19/99 58.01	400y IM (4:17.34, 4:25.06, 4:16.25) Katy Christoferson 2/19/99 4:18.68 ⁶ Jinny Smedstad 2/19/99 4:19.53 ⁶ Marta Knowles 2/19/99 4:24.28 ⁶ Emily Deppe 2/19/99 4:26.21 Andrea Simakova 1/9/99 4:35.68	3 M Diving (6) (270, 332.90) T.D. Rowe 1/16/99 310.73 ⁷ Rachel Degener 1/22/99 262.58 Christina Rinkus 1/22/99 261.75 Tracy LaVoi 1/23/99 250.57 Rachelle Giese 12/18/98 202.05
200y Free Relay (1:30.76, 1:33.48, 1:32.09) 1:32.09 ^{2,6} Amy Cottrill, Katy Christoferson, 2/18/99 Terri Jashinsky, Jenny Hennen		3 M Diving (11) (425, 572.75) T.D. Rowe 2/19/99 512.90 ⁷ Christina Rinkus 1/9/99 454.05 ⁷ Rachel Degener 2/19/99 435.00 ⁷ Tracy LaVoi 2/19/98 413.15 Alison Schiefelbein 1/9/99 384.35
		Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05) T.D. Rowe 11/20/98 295.40 Christina Rinkus 11/20/98 267.80 Tracy LaVoi 2/20/99 267.65 Rachelle Giese 11/20/98 203.05
		Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75) Rachel Degener 2/20/99 477.30 ⁷ Christina Rinkus 2/20/99 476.75 ⁷

¹Lead-off split time ²Varsity record ³NCAA automatic qualifying time ⁴Former American Record ⁵All-time Big Ten Record
⁶NCAA Consideration time ⁷NCAA Zone diving qualifying ⁸at NCAA Zone C meet ⁹at NCAA Championship ¹⁰Big Ten Championship Record

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Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Tuesday, April 13		
SB at Iowa State (2)		3 p.m.
Thursday, April 15		
SB hosts Northern Iowa		3 p.m.
Friday, April 16		
TN hosts Michigan	2 p.m./6:30 p.m.	
Saturday, April 17		
SB hosts Penn State (2)		1 p.m.
T/F at St. Olaf Invitational		9 a.m.
GF at Hawkeye Invitational		8:30 a.m.
Sunday, April 18		
SB hosts Penn State		noon
TN hosts Michigan State		10 a.m.
GF at Hawkeye Invitational		9 a.m.

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What's Coming Up

Golf

- Gophers travel to Iowa City for the Hawkeye Invitational

Softball

- #22 Golden Gophers play non-conference doubleheaders at Iowa State and at home against Northern Iowa
- Minnesota continues Big Ten schedule with a three-game series at home against Penn State

Tennis

- Golden Gophers face Big Ten rivals Michigan and Michigan State at home
- Matches will be played outside weather permitting

Track and Field

- Minnesota heads to Northfield for the annual St. Olaf Invitational

Gopher Highlights

Golf

- Kristi Weichert leads the Gophers with a second-place finish at the Indiana Invitational

Gymnastics

- Gophers tie for fourth place at NCAA Regionals
- Frosh Megan Beuckens places seventh in the floor exercise

Softball

- Gophers open the home season by sweeping Drake in a doubleheader

Tennis

- Gophers defeat Iowa before falling at Wisconsin
- Sophomore Tammy Wang wins twice in singles over the weekend

Track and Field

- Minnesota throwers win two events at the Hayward relays
- Rasa Michniovaite and Beth Howard provisionally qualify for the NCAA Outdoor Championships



1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 11-5 Big Ten: 4-2

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan
(at Milwaukee, Wis.) W, 5-2
31 at #35 Marquette L, 5-4

FEBRUARY

7 Illinois-Chicago W, 5-2
12 at Syracuse W, 6-1
13 vs. #41 Maryland (at Syracuse) L, 6-3
20 Illinois W, 5-2
27 Indiana W, 5-2
28 Purdue W, 4-3

MARCH

5 at Iowa State W, 9-0
6 at Drake W, 6-3
25 at Texas Christian W, 6-3

APRIL

4 Northwestern L, 6-1
10 at Iowa W, 4-3
11 at Wisconsin L, 4-3
16 Michigan 2 p.m. out/6:30 p.m. in
18 Michigan State 10 a.m.
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)
14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home matches in **bold**



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

vs. Michigan
Friday, April 16

vs. Michigan State
Sunday, April 18

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GOPHERS HOME FOR THE FINAL WEEKEND — Minnesota (11-5, 4-2) host their final home matches this weekend. Both matches are scheduled to be played on the campus of St. Catherine, weather permitting. The Northwest Athletic Club at 98th Street in Bloomington, Minn., is the indoor site.

On Friday, the Golden Gophers will take on Michigan beginning at 2 p.m. (if outdoors) or 6:30 p.m. (if indoors). Minnesota hosts Michigan State on Sunday beginning at 10 a.m. for either location.

Call the Diet Coke Gopher Sports Hotline at 612-626-STAT the day of the match for the location.

FINAL HOME WEEKEND FOR THREE SENIORS — This weekend's matches against Michigan and Michigan State will be the final home matches for seniors **Tarah Elkins** (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm), **Jana Hrdinova** (Prague, Czech Republic/Stoughton, Wis.) and **Sitinee Rangsitienchai** (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor).

Tarah Elkins – Elkins has a 10-11 record this season. She has teamed with **Rangsitienchai** for a 12-7 record in doubles during the 1998-99 season. Last year, she had the second-best record on the team, at 19-12. **Elkins** is an Academic All-Big Ten selection and a University of Minnesota Women's Athletics Top Five Scholar Athlete.

Jana Hrdinova – Hrdinova has a 5-4 record at No. 6 singles this year. She earned the team's Most Improved award in her first season. **Hrdinova** is an Academic All-Big Ten selection, a GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District honoree and a University of Minnesota Women's Athletics Top Five Scholar Athlete.

Sitinee Rangsitienchai – The 1996 Big Ten Women's Tennis Newcomer of the Year and 1998 Big Ten Women's Tennis Sportswoman of the Year, **Rangsitienchai** leads the team in victories this season, with 23. **Rangsitienchai** shared team MVP honors last season with **Nora Sauska**. She is an Academic All-Big Ten selection.

THE GOPHERS IN THE RANKINGS — Minnesota is ranked No. 43 in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings, released April 6. Minnesota is one of seven Big Ten schools listed in the top 75. Northwestern is ranked the highest of conference schools, at No. 23, followed by Ohio State at No. 31. The others ranked are Iowa (38), Minnesota (43), Illinois (51), Wisconsin (62) and Indiana (65).

BIG TEN STANDINGS —

1. Northwestern	5-1
2. Ohio State	5-2
3. Minnesota	4-2
Wisconsin	4-2
Indiana	4-2
6. Illinois	3-3
Iowa	3-3
Purdue	3-3
9. Michigan	3-4
10. Michigan State	1-6
11. Penn State	0-7

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — The Gophers split in Big Ten action this weekend, winning at Iowa, 4-3, but dropping a close match at Wisconsin, 4-3.

Minnesota and Iowa split in singles matches but the Gophers won the doubles point to defeat the Hawkeyes on Saturday in Iowa City, Iowa.

The Gophers also won the doubles point at Wisconsin on Sunday, but the Badgers won four of the six singles matches to earn the victory.

Sophomore **Tammy Wang (Grand Island, Neb./Grand Island)** made her first appearances of the spring season, playing at No. 6 singles both matches. Wang was the only Minnesota athlete to win both singles matches over the weekend.

STREAK SNAPPED — Sophomore **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)** had her seven-match winning streak stopped by Wisconsin's Barbara Urbanska on Sunday. Urbanska is the Big Ten's highest-ranked singles player, at No. 44.

DOUBLES TEAMS PICKING UP — The Golden Gophers have won the doubles point in four of their six Big Ten matches this season. Minnesota's doubles teams have won 63 percent of their matches during the dual season.

ABOUT MICHIGAN — The Wolverines are 4-13 overall and 3-4 in the Big Ten. Since defeating Iowa on March 27, Michigan has lost five straight matches.

Danielle Lund is 2-11 at the No. 1 singles position. No Wolverine athlete has a .500 or higher singles record this season. Lund has teamed with Brooke Hart for a 4-9 doubles record this season.

Michigan leads the series, 13-11. The Wolverines have won the last two meetings, including a 4-3 win in Minneapolis on April 10, 1998.

ABOUT MICHIGAN STATE — The Spartans are 11-8 overall and 1-6 in the Big Ten. Since defeating Penn State, 4-3, on Feb. 27, Michigan State has dropped five straight conference matches, including a pair at home against Purdue and Indiana over the weekend.

Michigan State hosts the 1999 Big Ten Championships May 1-2.

Minnesota leads the series, 16-8. Minnesota defeated the Spartans, 6-1, on April 12, 1998.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — Martin Novak is in his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gophers. Novak has compiled a record of 93-100. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten.

1999 Minnesota Women's Tennis Statistics

Singles	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Spring	Big Ten	Pct.	Total	Pct.
Wang						2-0	4-0	2-0	2-0	1.000	6-0	1.000
Simonsen	2-2	9-3					6-3	11-5	4-2	.667	16-9	.640
Rangsithienchai	1-1		11-3				11-7	12-4	4-2	.667	23-11	.676
Sauska	7-3	3-1	2-0				8-5	12-4	4-2	.667	20-9	.690
Howard				0-1	7-8		3-3	7-9	1-5	.167	10-12	.455
Elkins				3-8	1-0	3-1	3-2	7-9	0-6	.000	10-11	.476
Hrdinova				1-3		5-4	3-3	6-7	3-1	.750	9-10	.474
Rose						1-0	2-3	1-0			3-3	.500
Totals	10-6	12-4	13-3	4-12	8-8	11-5	40-26	58-38	18-18	.500	98-64	.605

Doubles	#1	#2	#3	Open	Spring	Big Ten	Pct.	Total	Pct.
Simonsen/Rose	1-0				1-0			1-0	1.000
Sauska/Howard		0-1	12-3	7-1	12-4	5-1	.833	19-5	.792
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1				2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1				1-1	.500
Elkins/Rangsithienchai		10-5	1-0	1-2	11-5	4-2	.667	12-7	.632
Hrdinova/Simonsen	6-9			3-3	6-9	1-5	.167	9-12	.429
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2				1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai				0-1				0-1	.000
Totals	7-9	10-6	13-3	15-11	30-18	10-8	.556	45-29	.608



1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule

Overall: 28-13 Big Ten: 2-4

FEBRUARY

12-14 Metrodome Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Missouri in semis)

18 North Carolina W, 3-1; W, 1-0

19-21 Triangle Classic
(7-0 record, co-champs with Marshall)

26-28 Troy Cox Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Texas Tech in quarters)

MARCH

5-7 Aggie II Invitational
(5-1 record, tournament champions)

22 at Florida State L, 5-0; L, 5-2

24 at B.-Cookman W, 7-0; W, 10-0

26 at South Florida L, 4-0; L, 2-1

31 MSU, Mankato W, 15-0; W, 3-0

APRIL

3 at Purdue W, 4-1; L, 6-3

4 at Purdue W, 2-1 (9)

7 Drake W, 2-1 (9); W, 2-1

10 at Michigan L, 5-2; L, 8-3

11 at Michigan L, 6-3

13 at Iowa State (2) 3 p.m.

15 Northern Iowa (2) 3 p.m.

17 Penn State (2) 1 p.m.

18 Penn State Noon

21 at Wisconsin (2) 1 p.m.

24 Indiana (2) 1 p.m.

25 Indiana Noon

28 at Northwestern (2) 2 p.m.

MAY

1 at Michigan State (2) 1 p.m.

2 at Michigan State Noon

5 Iowa (2) 2 p.m.

8 Ohio State (2) 1 p.m.

9 Ohio State Noon

14-15 Big Ten Tournament TBA

20-23 NCAA Regionals TBA

27-31 NCAA Women's College
World Series (Oklahoma City)

* Big Ten games

Home games in **bold** at Bierman Softball Stadium, unless otherwise indicated. Game times local to site.

Minnesota Softball 1999

Record: 28-13, 2-4 National Ranking: No. 22



at Iowa State (13-23), April 13, 3 p.m. (DH)
vs. Northern Iowa (20-14), April 15, 3 p.m. (DH)
vs. Penn State (21-13, 4-2), April 17, 1 p.m. (DH)
vs. Penn State, April 18, noon (1 game)

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Minnesota (28-13, 2-4), ranked 22nd in the USA Today/NFCA coaches' poll, has its busiest week of the month of April with seven games in six days. The Gophers have non-conference doubleheaders at Iowa State and at home versus Northern Iowa before continuing its Big Ten season with a three-game home series against Penn State. Minnesota finishes with 11 of its final 18 conference games at home. The Gophers own the second-best overall record of any Big Ten team. **Shannon Beeler (Shelton, Wash./Shelton)** needs one home run to become the Big Ten's all-time home run leader.

MINNESOTA'S CO-COACHES — Minnesota co-head coach **Lisa Bernstein** is in her eighth season at the school. Her overall record is 268-195-1 (.579). **Bernstein** won her 250th game in the Triangle Classic, defeating Ball State in the Gophers' first game Feb. 21. In the last three-plus seasons, Minnesota has won 69 percent of its games and qualified for two NCAA tournaments.

Minnesota co-head coach **Julie Standerling** was elevated to her current position Jan. 22, and has a Minnesota career record of 28-13 (.683). **Standerling** was an assistant coach at Minnesota from 1992-96 and had been the associate head coach of the Gophers for the past two seasons.

BIG TEN UPDATE — Michigan is the only unbeaten team in conference play after two weeks of Big Ten play. The Wolverines are unbeaten in their last 31 games. Seven of the conference's 10 teams are within two games of .500. The top two teams in the conference will meet this weekend as the Wolverines travel to Northwestern. The Big Ten standings, complete though games of April 12:

	Big Ten	Pct.	Record	Pct.	This Week (Big Ten)
Michigan	8-0	1.000	35-5-1	.866	vs. PSU/at Northwestern
Northwestern	5-1	.833	24-19	.558	vs. Michigan
Penn State	4-2	.667	21-13	.618	at Mich./at Minnesota
Michigan State	2-2	.500	26-13	.667	vs. Ohio State
Purdue	3-4	.429	22-16	.579	at OSU/vs. Wisconsin
Wisconsin	2-3	.400	16-12	.571	at Purdue
Indiana	3-5	.375	16-22	.421	at Iowa
Minnesota	2-4	.333	28-13	.683	vs. Penn State
Iowa	2-4	.333	24-15-1	.613	vs. Indiana
Ohio State	1-7	.125	11-20	.355	vs. Pur./at Michigan State

Big Ten Games

April 13 (DH)

Penn State at Michigan

April 14 (DH)

Purdue at Ohio State

April 17-18 (DH Sat., 1 game Sun.)

Indiana at Iowa

Ohio State at Michigan State

Penn State at **Minnesota**

Michigan at Northwestern

Wisconsin at Purdue

ABOUT IOWA STATE — The Cyclones (13-23) have struggled in the last 2 1/2 weeks, losing nine of their last 10 games. Iowa State has opened 0-6 in the Big XII, but all six losses have come to nationally ranked teams (Texas, Texas A&M, Oklahoma). The only Cyclone win since March 27 was a 1-0 win against Iowa in the second game of a doubleheader April 7 in Ames.

Iowa State's top two hitters are senior catcher Erin Woods (.310, 7 HR, 23 RBI) and first-year player Laura Browning (.300, 14 runs). The likely Cyclone pitchers are junior right-hander Mandy Loushin (6-11, 3.13 ERA) and sophomore right-hander Kristin Ferguson (6-8, 3.45 ERA). Beth Haag is in her third year as the head coach at Iowa State and has a record of 46-74. Her seven-year career record is 148-177.

THE SERIES — Minnesota leads the series, 36-28. The Gophers swept last year's doubleheader in Minneapolis by scores of 4-0 and 3-1. Minnesota has played Iowa State more than any other non-conference opponent.

ABOUT NORTHERN IOWA — The Panthers (20-14) are headed in the correct direction, having won six of their last eight games. Northern Iowa is 4-4 in the Missouri Valley Conference, sweeping doubleheaders from SW Missouri State and Indiana State and being swept by Wichita State and Illinois State. The Panthers also won a doubleheader at Iowa State by scores of 5-4 and 5-3 on April 6.

Northern Iowa's top hitters are first-year infielder Lindsay Wood (.343, 13 runs, 11 RBI), junior shortstop Kylie Sloan (.337, 15 2B, 18 RBI) and senior infielder Jackie Paulus (.303, 15 runs). The probable Panther starters are junior right-handers Jeannine Soncini (11-5, 2.37 ERA) and Heidi Fromherz (4-8, 4.07 ERA). Head coach Meredith Bakely is in her 21st season and has a record at Northern Iowa of 592-478-3.

THE SERIES — Minnesota leads the series, 17-7. The Gophers and Panthers split a doubleheader April 22, 1998, in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Northern Iowa won the first game, 3-2, and Minnesota took the nightcap, 5-3.

ABOUT PENN STATE — The Lady Lions (21-13, 4-2 Big Ten) are off to their best start in conference play since entering the Big Ten in 1992. Penn State swept three games from Iowa to open the Big Ten season despite entering the series with a 2-23 career record against the Hawkeyes. The Lady Lions dropped two of three games to Northwestern last weekend. Penn State will travel to Michigan for a doubleheader Tuesday before its games at Minnesota.

Penn State has two of the top five average hitters in the Big Ten. They are junior outfielder Gina Bianchini (.400, 24 runs) and junior shortstop Terra Pracht (.386, 13 runs). The Lady Lions' top pitcher is sophomore right-hander Tanis Ambelang (11-6, 1.64 ERA). Head coach Robin Petrini is in her third season as the Lady Lion head coach and has a record of 65-74-1.

THE SERIES — Minnesota leads the series 21-5. The Gophers and Lady Lions split two meetings in 1998, with Minnesota winning the opener, 4-2, and Penn State taking the second game, 7-3. Minnesota won all three games in Penn State's last trip to Minneapolis in 1997.

GOPHERS SWEEP DRAKE, LOSE THREE AT MICHIGAN —

Game 37: Minnesota 2, Drake 1 (9 inn.) — The Gophers won their second consecutive extra-inning game, defeating the Bulldogs in nine innings. **Erin Brophy (Crystal, Minn./Robbinsdale)** hit a two-out double to left field, scoring **Angel Braden (Chino, Calif./St. Lucy's)** with the winning run. **Steph Klaviter (New Ulm, Minn./Cathedral)** tossed a complete-game four-hitter, walked none and struck out seven batters. **Jordanne Nygren (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)** drove in Minnesota's first run with a first-inning single.

Game 38: Minnesota 2, Drake 1 — Minnesota scored runs in the first two innings and held on to complete the doubleheader sweep. **Jordanne Nygren** drove in a first-inning run with a double and **Dana Ballard (Oak Park, Ill./Fenwick)** knocked in a second-inning run with her first career triple. **Heather Brown (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)** won her eighth consecutive game, a complete-game six-hitter. **Brown** struck out 10 batters, the third consecutive start that she has compiled double digits in strikeouts.

Game 39: Michigan 5, Minnesota 2 — Minnesota had a 2-0 lead but could not hold on in the opener of the series. **Dana Ballard** hit a two-run double in the fourth inning to give the Gophers a 2-0 lead, but Michigan evened the score with single runs in the fourth and fifth inning. Michigan designated player **Stefanie Volpe** hit a three-run double in the bottom of the sixth inning to give the Wolverines the victory. **Michelle Harrison (Anaheim, Calif./Orange Lutheran)** pitched the final two innings and took the loss.

Game 40: Michigan 8, Minnesota 3 — The Wolverines sent 11 batters to the plate and scored five runs in the opening inning to put Minnesota away. **Angel Braden** hit a two-run home run in the fourth inning, her first of the season, to cut the Michigan lead to 6-3, but could get no closer. **Shannon Beeler** had two hits and scored two runs for Minnesota. **Heather Brown** did not make it out of the first inning and took her first loss as a collegian.

Game 41: Michigan 6, Minnesota 3 — Michigan took advantage of more chances than Minnesota to complete the series sweep. Minnesota had runners on in every inning of the game, but left a season-high 14 runners on base. **Jordanne Nygren** drove in two runs with a bases-loaded walk and a double. **Steph Klaviter** pitched the first 4 1/3 innings and suffered her first Big Ten defeat of the season.

BEELER CONTINUES THE RECORD CHASE —

Minnesota shortstop **Shannon Beeler** has shattered many of the records in the Gopher record book, both single season and career. No Gopher has hit more home runs than **Beeler**, and no Gopher has driven in more runs than **Beeler**, either in a single season or a career. Since that measure of comparison is gone, **Beeler** must now be compared to the greatest players in Big Ten and NCAA history. With her home run at South Florida on March 26, **Beeler** matched the all-time Big Ten home run record, held by Monica Armendarez of Indiana. She is in seventh place on the NCAA all-time RBI list, and is on pace to move into the top five before the season is finished. The data:

NCAA DIVISION I CAREER LEADERS**HOME RUNS**

1. Leah Braatz, Arizona	85
12. Nina Lindenberg, Fresno St./LBSU	40
Chelo Lopez, Cal State Northridge	40
14. Monica Armendarez, Indiana	38
Shannon Beeler, Minnesota*	38

RUNS BATTED IN

1. Jenny Dalton, Arizona	328
4. Leticia Pineda, Arizona	240
5. Jennifer Cline, Washington	227
6. Michelle Church, Washington	225
7. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota*	220

* denotes active players

OTHER BEELER NUMBERS — A career .362 hitter, **Shannon Beeler** is currently fourth on the Minnesota all-time list for batting average. She has 255 career hits, and her next double will be the 50th of her career. She is second on the Gopher all-time chart with 149 career runs scored.

THE DEUCE DRIVES ON — Minnesota center fielder **Steph Midthun** can occasionally get overlooked on a team that hits as many home runs as the Gophers do. However, do not underestimate the impact that the Minnesota leadoff has on the Gopher offense. **Midthun** is second on the team with a .355 batting average, tied for the team lead with 30 runs scored and leads the Gophers with 49 hits and 14 stolen bases. **Midthun** singled in her first at bat against MSU, Mankato on March 31, the 200th hit of her career. She is the seventh Gopher in history to accumulate 200 hits. A career .339 hitter, **Midthun** is third on the all-time career list with 137 runs scored and 65 stolen bases.

MINNESOTA CAREER LEADERS**Batting Average (min. 350 AB)**

1. Amber Hegland (1995-98)	.399
2. Shelly Medernach (1976-79)	.393
3. Rachel Nelson (1994-97)	.386
4. Shannon Beeler (1996-C)	.362
5. Steph Midthun (1996-C)	.339
Lezlie Weiss (1990-93)	.339

Hits

1. Rachel Nelson (1994-97)	313
2. Amber Hegland (1995-98)	291
3. Lezlie Weiss (1990-93)	259
4. Shannon Beeler (1996-C)	255
5. Steph Midthun (1996-C)	207
6. Mischel Doerr (1990-93)	203
7. Kari Blank (1988-92)	201

Runs Scored

1. Rachel Nelson (1994-97)	175
2. Shannon Beeler (1996-C)	149
3. Steph Midthun (1996-C)	136
4. Laura Peters (1995-98)	135

Stolen Bases

1. Mischel Doerr (1990-93)	81
2. Rachel Nelson (1994-97)	66
3. Steph Midthun (1996-C)	65
4. Laura Peters (1995-98)	62

KLAVITER BREAKS WINS RECORD — Steph

Klaviter is Minnesota's all-time winningest pitcher after winning her 68th game March 5 at Texas A&M. She broke the record previously held by Brenda Bixby, who won 67 games from 1988-92. **Klaviter**, who has won 72 percent of her games at Minnesota (71-28), is in second place on the Gopher all-time list with 325 strikeouts and is fifth with 17 shutouts. She now has thrown 652 innings in her Gopher career and has moved past former Gopher Jennifer Johnson into second place on the all-time Minnesota list.

KLAVITER TO PARTICIPATE IN USA SOFTBALL NATIONAL TEAM FESTIVAL — Steph Klaviter

has been chosen to participate in the 1999 Coca-Cola USA Softball Women's National Team Festival from June 8-14 in Fresno, Calif. **Klaviter** will be one of 60 players in the Festival. Ten players in the group have been chosen to participate as a member of the United States team at the 1999 Pan American Games. **Klaviter** will compete for one of the five remaining positions.

THE POLL — The Gophers are ranked 22nd in the April 7 edition of the USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association poll. Minnesota improved its ranking from last week's placing of 23rd. The next poll will be released Wednesday.

NEXT WEEK — Minnesota's final 15 games of the regular season will take place against Big Ten foes. The Gophers travel to Wisconsin to play a doubleheader against the Badgers on Wednesday, April 21 at 1 p.m. Minnesota will host Indiana in a three-game series at the Bierman Softball Complex on Saturday, April 24, at 1 p.m., and Sunday, April 25, at noon.

1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule/Results

Metrodome Softball Classic (Minneapolis, Minn.)

Feb. 12	W, 8-7	Western Illinois
	L, 7-0	Kansas
Feb. 13	W, 8-0 (5)	Northern Illinois
	W, 2-1	Missouri
Feb. 14	L, 4-3	Missouri

Feb. 18	W, 3-1	North Carolina
	W, 1-0 (6)	North Carolina

Triangle Classic (Raleigh, N.C.)

Feb. 19	W, 7-5	Campbell
Feb. 20	W, 3-2	Akron
	W, 12-2 (5)	UNC-Wilmington
	W, 1-0 (8)	Virginia
Feb. 21	W, 3-2	Ball State
	W, 6-5 (8)	Maryland
	W, 1-0	Illinois-Chicago

Troy Cox Invitational (Las Cruces, N.M.)

Feb. 26	W, 3-1 (9)	Wichita State
	W, 8-5	Utah
Feb. 27	W, 11-7	New Mexico State
	L, 5-1	Oregon State
	L, 5-0	Texas Tech

Aggie II Invitational (College Station, Texas)

March 5	W, 8-0 (5)	Butler
	W, 2-0	Texas A&M
March 6	W, 6-1	Butler
	L, 2-0	Texas A&M
March 7	W, 10-3	Dayton
	W, 8-0 (5)	Dayton

March 22	L, 5-0	Florida State
	L, 5-2	Florida State

March 24	W, 7-0	Bethune-Cookman
	W, 10-0 (5)	Bethune-Cookman

March 26	L, 4-0	South Florida
	L, 2-1	South Florida

March 31	W, 15-0 (5)	MSU, MANKATO
	W, 3-0	MSU, MANKATO

(Games played at Rice Street Dome)

April 3	W, 4-1	Purdue
	L, 6-3	Purdue

April 4	W, 2-1 (9)	Purdue
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April 7	W, 2-1 (9)	DRAKE
	W, 2-1	DRAKE

April 10	L, 5-2	Michigan
	L, 8-3	Michigan

April 11	L, 6-3	Michigan
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April 13	3 p.m.	Iowa State
		Iowa State

April 15	3 p.m.	NORTHERN IOWA
		NORTHERN IOWA

April 17	1 p.m.	PENN STATE
		PENN STATE

April 18	noon	PENN STATE
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April 21	1 p.m.	Wisconsin
		Wisconsin

April 24	1 p.m.	INDIANA
		INDIANA

April 25	noon	INDIANA
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April 28	2 p.m.	Northwestern
		Northwestern

May 1	1 p.m.	Michigan State
		Michigan State

May 2	noon	Michigan State
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May 5	2 p.m.	IOWA
		IOWA

May 8	1 p.m.	OHIO STATE
		OHIO STATE

May 9	noon	OHIO STATE
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Home games in **bold** are played at the Bierman Softball Stadium unless otherwise noted.

All times are local to the site of the game.

Overall:	28-13	Big Ten:	2-4
Home:	2-0	Home:	0-0
Away:	7-6	Away:	2-4
Neutral:	19-4		

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Apr 12, 1999)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 28-13-0 Home 2-0-0 Away: 7-9-0 Neutral: 19-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Shannon Beeler.....	.378	38-38	111	30	42	9	0	8	39	75	.676	12	3	6	0	.452	0	5	4-4	59	85	20	.878
Steph Midthun.....	.355	41-41	138	30	49	5	1	0	8	56	.406	5	0	15	0	.378	0	7	14-15	34	4	2	.950
Jordanne Nygren.....	.342	41-41	120	20	41	8	0	10	38	79	.658	20	1	22	0	.440	0	3	1-2	95	54	8	.949
Angel Braden.....	.327	20-20	55	6	18	1	1	1	12	24	.436	5	2	14	0	.403	0	1	0-0	72	25	8	.924
Tammi Hays.....	.313	41-41	112	28	35	2	0	0	5	37	.330	8	5	23	0	.384	0	12	10-13	35	1	4	.900
Katie Orth.....	.239	25-12	46	5	11	0	0	1	2	14	.304	2	0	10	1	.271	0	2	1-1	10	5	0	1.000
Amy Hafemeyer.....	.239	24-21	46	9	11	1	0	0	6	12	.261	2	0	11	0	.271	0	8	3-4	4	0	1	.800
Erin Mooney.....	.231	20-5	26	0	6	1	0	0	4	7	.269	2	1	8	0	.310	0	1	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Christine Lindberg..	.222	20-10	36	6	8	2	0	2	4	16	.444	1	0	13	0	.243	0	2	3-3	0	10	2	.833
Michelle Bennett....	.214	32-32	84	6	18	2	0	2	7	26	.310	12	1	13	0	.320	0	7	1-1	151	48	11	.948
Morgan Holden.....	.203	38-30	79	9	16	3	0	0	4	19	.241	10	1	23	0	.300	0	3	1-1	23	32	11	.833
Dana Ballard.....	.179	20-15	39	3	7	2	1	0	5	11	.282	4	2	8	0	.289	0	0	0-0	88	10	0	1.000
Erin Brophy.....	.169	34-28	83	10	14	8	0	3	13	31	.373	9	1	15	0	.258	0	2	1-1	117	15	5	.964
Meghan Smith.....	.156	25-23	45	2	7	2	0	1	4	12	.267	0	4	22	0	.224	0	5	1-1	126	7	8	.943
Lara Severson.....	.147	27-12	34	7	5	0	0	0	2	5	.147	5	0	12	0	.256	0	1	0-1	4	1	0	1.000
Abby Stehula.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
--- Others ---																							
Ninette Mohns.....	.000	25-0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3-4	0	1	0	1.000
Totals.....	.273	41-41	1055	174	288	46	3	28	153	424	.402	97	21	216	1	.346	0	59	44-52	825	365	86	.933
Opponents.....	.226	41-41	1056	110	239	25	2	11	85	301	.285	75	13	227	0	.286	0	48	27-35	808	352	64	.948

LOB - Team (254), Opp (263). DPs turned - Team (6), Opp (9). CI - Team (2), Smith 1, Brophy 1. IBB - Team (2), Nygren 2, Opp (7). Picked off - Mohns 1, Ballard 1, Beeler 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Heather Brown.....	1.00	8-1	16	10	4	2/2	0	56.0	40	14	8	13	82	3	0	3	224	.202	2	2	1	0	10
Steph Klaviter.....	1.47	10-6	24	18	10	5/0	2	114.0	99	47	24	31	75	11	2	3	501	.223	3	6	0	0	19
Rayny Camacho.....	1.54	3-1	7	5	3	2/0	0	27.1	24	13	6	13	24	1	0	3	126	.224	5	2	0	0	4
Michelle Harrison...	1.80	7-5	18	8	5	0/2	2	77.2	76	36	20	18	46	10	0	2	343	.248	3	3	1	0	15
Totals.....	1.48	28-13	41	41	22	11/2	4	275.0	239	110	58	75	227	25	2	11	1194	.226	13	13	2	0	48
Opponents.....	3.27	13-28	41	41	32	5/0	2	269.1	288	174	126	97	216	46	3	28	1232	.273	13	21	0	0	59

PB - Team (13), Smith 8, Brophy 5, Opp (17). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - Brophy (16-20), Smith (11-15), Klaviter (9-15), Harrison (11-12), Camacho (4-4), Brown (3-4).

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
 Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Apr 12, 1999)
 (Big Ten games only Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 2-4-0 Home 0-0-0 Away: 2-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Shannon Beeler.....	.368	6-6	19	4	7	0	0	0	4	7	.368	4	0	1	0	.478	0	0	0-0	11	10	1	.955
Michelle Bennett....	.278	6-6	18	0	5	0	0	0	1	5	.278	1	0	1	0	.316	0	2	0-0	9	18	3	.900
Jordanne Nygren.....	.250	6-6	16	2	4	2	0	0	3	6	.375	7	0	1	0	.478	0	0	0-0	12	7	3	.864
Katie Orth.....	.250	3-1	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	0	0	0	0	.250	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Angel Braden.....	.238	6-6	21	1	5	0	0	1	4	8	.381	1	0	6	0	.273	0	0	0-0	50	4	1	.982
Steph Midthun.....	.227	6-6	22	2	5	0	0	0	0	5	.227	1	0	2	0	.261	0	1	1-1	6	0	0	1.000
Amy Hafemeyer.....	.200	4-2	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	0	0	1	0	.200	0	0	0-0	1	0	1	.500
Meghan Smith.....	.200	5-4	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	0	0	2	0	.200	0	2	0-0	11	2	2	.867
Morgan Holden.....	.167	6-4	12	2	2	1	0	0	0	3	.250	2	0	2	0	.286	0	0	0-0	5	0	0	1.000
Tammi Hays.....	.154	6-6	13	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	.154	1	1	3	0	.267	0	3	0-1	4	1	1	.833
Erin Brophy.....	.133	6-5	15	0	2	1	0	0	0	3	.200	3	0	3	0	.278	0	1	0-0	17	0	1	.944
Dana Ballard.....	.125	5-2	8	0	1	1	0	0	2	2	.250	1	0	0	0	.222	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Christine Lindberg..	.000	3-0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Erin Mooney.....	.000	3-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
--- Others ---																							
Lara Severson.....	.000	2-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Ninette Mohns.....	.000	4-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.221	6-6	163	17	36	5	0	1	14	44	.270	22	1	25	0	.317	0	10	2-3	126	58	13	.934
Opponents.....	.256	6-6	164	27	42	4	0	0	23	46	.280	16	3	24	0	.333	0	10	0-1	132	70	13	.940

LOB - Team (47), Opp (42). DPs turned - Team (0), Opp (3). CI - Team (2), Smith 1, Brophy 1. IBB - Team (1), Nygren 1, Opp (2).

(Big Ten games only Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Steph Klaviter.....	2.37	1-1	6	4	1	0/0	0	23.2	22	13	8	10	8	3	0	0	110	.244	0	2	0	0	7
Heather Brown.....	3.00	1-1	4	1	0	0/0	0	7.0	3	3	3	3	12	0	0	0	28	.130	0	0	1	0	1
Michelle Harrison...	4.94	0-2	3	1	0	0/0	0	11.1	17	11	8	3	4	1	0	0	57	.333	0	1	1	0	2
Totals.....	3.17	2-4	6	6	1	0/0	0	42.0	42	27	19	16	24	4	0	0	195	.256	0	3	2	0	10
Opponents.....	1.59	4-2	6	6	4	0/0	1	44.0	36	17	10	22	25	5	0	1	196	.221	2	1	0	0	10

PB - Team (1), Brophy 1, Opp (2). SB/SBA - Smith (0-1), Klaviter (0-1).

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1999 Minnesota Track & Field Schedule

INDOOR

January

9	Northwest Open	unscored
16	at Badger Classic (Madison, Wis.)	unscored
23	at Wis.-Stout	5th (48 points)
30	Minnesota Classic	1st (89 points)

February

5-	at Iowa State Invitational	unscored
6	(Ames, Iowa)	
13	Minnesota Open	unscored
20-	at Big Ten Championships	
21	(Ohio State)	7th (66.33 points)
26	Iowa State Qualifier	unscored

March

5-	at NCAA Championships	
6	(Indianapolis)	t-24th (8 points)

Home meets in **bold** at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

March

26-	at Bayou Classic	1st of 7 (157 points)
27	(Rice)	

April

10	at Sun Angel Classic (Arizona State)	unscored
10	at Hayward Relays (Oregon)	unscored
10	at Hamline Quad	unscored
17	at St. Olaf Invitational	9 a.m.
23-	at Drake Relays	8 a.m.
24		
24	at Macalaster Invitational	

May

1	Minnesota Classic	9 a.m.
1	at Iowa Invitational	10 a.m.
8	Minnesota Open	9 a.m.
15	Minnesota Qualifier	10 a.m.
21-	at Big Ten Championships	
23	(Purdue)	

June

2-	at NCAA Outdoor Championships	
5	(Boise State)	

Home meets in **bold** at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, Minn.)

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THIS WEEK—Minnesota will compete at the annual St. Olaf Invitational this Saturday. The meet, in Northfield, Minn., is scheduled to get underway at 9 a.m.

LAST WEEK—The Gophers sent the bulk of their squad to a pair of PAC-10 sites at Arizona State and Oregon.

At Sun Angel Classic in Tempe, Ariz., Saturday, **Christine Gulbrandsen (Kristiansand, Norway/Katerdralskole)** had a pair of top-five finishes while **Rasa Michniovaite (Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius)** posted an NCAA provisional qualifying time.

Gulbrandsen soared 11 feet, 1 3/4 inches in the pole vault to tie her own school record and finish fourth. She also tallied the Minnesota's highest finish in the meet when she placed third in the triple jump with an effort of 40-1 1/2.

Michniovaite, in her first outdoor 1,500-meter race at Minnesota, finished fourth in 4 minutes, 23.95 seconds to post a provisional time while placing fifth.

Four other Gophers posted top-six finishes as **Minna Haronja (Illo, Finland/Vammala)** took fourth in the 3,000-meter run (9:46.88), **Neketa Sears (Nassau, Bahamas/C.J. Gibson Secondary)** fifth in the 100-meter hurdles (15.90), **Yvette White (Washington, D.C./Woodrow Wilson)** sixth in the 400-meter hurdles (1:01.93) and **Apasha Blocker (Blockport, N.Y./Blockport)** sixth in the shot put (40-2 3/4).

Minnesota throwers travelled to Eugene, Ore., for the Hayward Relays, where they fared well, posting a pair of first-place finishes in four events.

Nicole Chimko (Aldersyde, Alberta/Foothills Composite) took first in the javelin with a throw of 172-7, while **Aubrey Schmitt (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)** earned first place in the shot put with a toss of 46-4 1/4.

In all, five Minnesota throwers had top-five finishes on the day as **Beth Howard (North Branch, Minn./North Branch)** bested her own school record in the hammer throw by over 10 feet, finishing second in the event with a throw of 186-2 to post a provisional qualifying distance. **Angie Hill (Poplar Bluff, Mo./Poplar Bluff)** finished fourth with a throw of 172-4. In the discus, **Brenda Meyer (Watertown, Wis./Watertown)** placed third with a throw of 153-8.

THROWING DOWN THE GAUNTLET—The Gophers have already have had three different athletes post NCAA provisional or automatic distance in throwing events.

On March 27, **Nicole Chimko** automatically qualified for the NCAA Championships with a javelin throw of 180-2, moving into second on Minnesota's all-time list.

Aubrey Schmitt has the Gophers' top throws this season in both the discus (160-9) and shot put (49-5 3/4). Her effort in the shot put at the Bayou Classic in Houston, March 27, was an NCAA provisional qualifying effort.

Beth Howard set both a qualifying distance and a school record on Saturday with her throw of 186-2 in the hammer.

RECORDS WERE MEANT TO BE BROKEN—Junior **Beth Howard** has set school records in the hammer throw in each of her two outings this season.

After transferring from Minnesota-Duluth, she won the event and set a school record in the process at the Bayou Classic, March 27, in Houston. Her mark of 176-1 bettered the previous Minnesota record of 158-2 set last season. She then went out Saturday and bettered that mark by a more than 10 feet while posting an NCAA qualifying distance.

1999 Track and Field 2-2-2-2-2

JUMP AROUND—With a pair of top-five finishes at the Sun Angel Classic, **Christine Gulbrandsen** is off to a solid start to the outdoor season.

She tied her own school record of 11-1 3/4 in the pole vault to place fourth and also garnered a third-place finish with a leap of 40-1 1/2 in the triple jump.

A RASA AGAINST TIME—In her first 1,500-meter run as a Golden Gopher, **Rasa Michniovaite** moved into fourth place on Minnesota's all-time list and posted an NCAA provisional qualifying time of 4:23.95 while finishing fifth at the Sun Angel Classic Saturday.

Two weeks ago, at the Bayou Classic, she became the fifth-fastest Gopher in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:10.66.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — Head coach Gary Wilson is in his 14th season at Minnesota. Wilson guided the Golden Gophers to the NCAA Cross Country Championships for the second consecutive year in 1998. The cross country team also finished third at both the Big Ten meet and the NCAA regional meet for the second consecutive year. Along the way, junior **Rasa Michniovaite** won the individual title at the regional meet and earned All-America honors by placing 16th. Wilson also coached the Minnesota track and field team to top-25 finishes at the NCAA outdoor championships in 1990, 1991, 1995 and 1996.

UP NEXT—Minnesota will scatter its members again next weekend among three events. The Penn Relays are slated for April 23-24, in Philadelphia, Pa., while Drake Relays take place April 24-25, in Des Moines, Iowa. Other members of the team will participate at the Macalaster Invitational in St. Paul, Minn.

Minnesota's NCAA Automatic Qualifiers—

• Javelin	Nicole Chimko	54.92 (180-2)	Bayou Classic, March 27
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Minnesota's NCAA Provisional Qualifiers—

• 1500 meters	Rasa Michniovaite	4:23.95	Sun Angel Classic, April 10
• Shot Put	Aubrey Schmitt	15.08 (49-5 3/4)	Bayou Classic, March 27
• Hammer Throw	Beth Howard	56.74 (186-2)	Hayward Relays, April 10

New Minnesota Outdoor Track and Field Records—

• Pole Vault	Christine Gulbrandsen	3.40 (11-1 3/4)	Sun Angel Classic, April 10
• Hammer Throw	Beth Howard	56.74 (186-2)	Hayward Relays, April 10

1999 Minnesota Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters

1. Kim Heath (b)	12.31
2. Amber Day (b)	12.70
3. Pattie Galle (a)	12.95

200 meters

1. Kim Heath (b)	25.32
2. Amber Day (b)	25.75
3. Alisa Gartner (a)	27.21

400 meters

1. Alisa Gartner (a)	1:00.05
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800 meters

1. Rasa Michniovaite (a)	2:10.66
2. Jenny Moylan (b)	2:16.25
3. Jessica Shuster (b)	2:17.21

1500 meters

1. Rasa Michniovaite (b)	#4:23.95
2. Genalyn Johnson (b)	4:39.09
3. Minna Haronja (a)	4:40.29

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (b)	9:46.88
2. Corinne Nimitz (a)	9:52.66
3. Elaine Eggleston (b)	9:57.96

5000 meters

1. Deb Hudleston (a)	18:23.63
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10,000 meters

100-meter hurdles

1. Neketa Sears (a)	15.68
2. Julie Antczak (a)	16.23

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	1:01.93
2. Neketa Sears (b)	1:03.21

4x100 Meter Relay

1. (b)	47.09
2. (a)	47.14

4x400 Meter Relay

1. (b)	3:51.09
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Long Jump

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	12.23 (40-1 1/2)
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High Jump

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	*3.40 (11-1 3/4)
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	3.05 (10-0)

Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (a)	#15.08 (49-5 3/4)
2. Nicole Chimko (c)	12.85 (42-2)
3. Apasha Blocker (b)	12.26 (40-2 3/4)

Discus

1. Aubrey Schmitt (a)	49.00 (160-9)
2. Nicole Chimko (a)	47.34 (155-4)
3. Brenda Meyer (c)	46.84 (153-8)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a)	@54.92 (180-2)
2. Apasha Blocker (a)	36.38 (119-4)

Hammer

1. Beth Howard (c)	*#56.74 (186-2)
2. Angie Hill (c)	52.52 (172-4)
3. Brenda Meyer (a)	50.08 (164-4)

Heptathlon

@ NCAA Automatic Qualifier

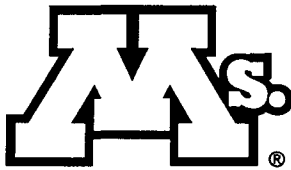
NCAA Provisional Qualifier

* School Record

(a) Bayou Classic (Rice, Houston, Tex.)

(b) Sun Angel Classic (Arizona State, Tempe, Ariz.)

(c) Hayward Relays (Oregon, Eugene, Ore.)



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 Minnesota Invitational
3rd of 13 teams
- 25-27 Lady Northern Invitational
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
8th of 14 teams

OCTOBER

- 12-13 Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot Out
(Bloomington, Ind.)
11th of 15 teams
- 23-24 Notre Dame Invitational
(Bonita Springs, Fla.)
3rd of 13 teams

FEBRUARY

- 27-28 Midwest Classic
(Dallas, Texas)
1st of 13 teams

MARCH

- 8-9 Peggy Kirk Invitational
(Winter Springs, Fla.)
T-7th of 17 teams
- 27-28 Myrtle Beach
Taylor Made Classic
(Myrtle Beach, S.C.)
1st of 10 teams

APRIL

- 10-11 Indiana Invitational
(Bloomington, Ind.)
4th of 13 teams
- 17-18 Hawkeye Invitational
(Iowa City, Iowa)
- 24-25 Buckeye Invitational
(Columbus, Ohio)
- 30 Big Ten Championship
(West Lafayette, Ind.)

MAY

- 1-2 Big Ten Championship
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 6-8 NCAA East Regional
(U. of South Carolina)
- 19-22 NCAA Championship
(Tulsa University)

Home tournament played at the U. of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course



Minnesota Golf 1998-99

Hawkeye Invitational
Saturday-Sunday, April 17-18
Iowa City, Iowa

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GOLDEN GOPHERS COMPETE IN HAWKEYE INVITE – The University of Minnesota women's golf team will compete in the Hawkeye Invitational this weekend, Saturday-Sunday, April 17-18 at the Finkbine Golf Course in Iowa City, Iowa. The tournament is a 54-hole event, with 36 holes scheduled for Saturday starting at 8:30 a.m. and 18 holes Sunday starting at 9 a.m. The course is a par-73, 6,000-yard layout for the event.

WEICHERT NOTCHES SECOND-PLACE FINISH AT INDIANA – Senior **Kristi Weichert (Caledonia, Minn./Caledonia)** carded a three-round total of 231 to tie for the individual title, but lost the medalist honor to Ohio State's Lisa Strom, at the Indiana Invitational.

The Gophers finished fourth as a team with a total of 948 strokes, 14 strokes behind champion Indiana's 934. Ohio State placed second at 937, while Purdue was third at 947.

Weichert, Strom and Ohio State's Natalie Mosher all turned in a 9-over par 231 in the 54-hole tournament. The players returned to the 17th hole to begin the playoff. All three players pared the hole. On the 18th, Strom hit par, while **Weichert** and Mosher bogeyed the hole, giving Strom the medalist honor.

Gopher senior **Melanie Lepp (Easton, Minn./United South Central)** scored the invitational's lowest round, an even-par 74, on Sunday to improve her standing to a tie for 19th with a total of 240. She started the final round in a tie for 38th.

Indiana Invitational
Indiana University G.C., Bloomington, Ind.
Par 74, 6,134 yards

Team Scores

1.	Indiana	320-308-306	934
2.	Ohio State	314-311-312	937
3.	Purdue	311-313-323	947
4.	Minnesota	325-314-309	948
5.	Michigan State	313-316-321	950
6.	Wisconsin	327-318-318	963
7.	Northwestern	318-330-327	975
8.	Southern Illinois	328-333-334	995
9.	Michigan	331-328-338	997
10.	Illinois State	330-338-338	1006
11.	Ohio U.	341-337-331	1009
12.	Notre Dame	339-332-334	1015
13.	Illinois	347-342-344	1033

Gopher scores:

T2	Kristi Weichert	79-75-77=231
T19	Melanie Lepp	85-81-74=240
T22	Michelle Ballou (Chaska, Minn./Chaska)	80-84-77=241
T22	Jenny Bruun (Crookston, Minn./Central)	82-78-81=241
T35	Donna Boom (Albert Lea, Minn./Albert Lea)	84-80-83=247

A LOOK AHEAD – Minnesota will play its final tuneup for the Big Ten Championships on April 24-25 at the Buckeye Invitational in Columbus, Ohio.



1999 Minnesota Gymnastics January

2	Intrasquad		
9	Best of Minnesota		
	Minnesota		192.400
	Winona State		178.750
	Hamline		138.625
	Gustavus Adolphus		137.200
15	#5 Michigan	W,	193.550-193.050
23	#2 Utah	L,	194.600-194.175
30	#1 Alabama	L,	196.025-194.650

February

6	#12 Iowa State	W,	193.375-191.075
13	Iowa	W,	194.275-187.725
20	vs. West Virginia, N.C. State		
	#12 West Virginia		195.175
	North Carolina State		193.200
	Minnesota		192.425
27	at #25 Illinois	W,	194.900-194.475

March

5	at Iowa	W,	194.75-0
7	at #20 Iowa State	L,	195.775-195.575
12	#14 West Virginia	W,	194.375-189.875
21	#19 Denver	W,	196.125-194.700
27	Big Ten Champ.	4th,	194.150

April

10 NCAA Region 2 4th (194.2)
22-24 NCAA Championships (Utah)

All home meets in **bold** are held at the Sports Pavilion; all times are local to site

1999 Minnesota Women's Gymnastics

Season Complete

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GOLDEN GOPHERS FOURTH AT REGION 2 CHAMPIONSHIPS —

The No. 19 Golden Gophers tied with the University of Denver for fourth place at the NCAA Region 2 Gymnastics Championships in Logan, Utah, on Saturday. Defending national champion Georgia and No. 10 Florida advanced to the NCAA Championships, which will be held April 24 in Salt Lake City.

Of the six regional meets, only the Region 2 Championships had all six teams ranked in the top 25.

Minnesota started the meet on the balance beam. Senior **Cathy Keyser (Plymouth, Minn./Lake Fininndero)** led the Gophers with a score of 9.75, tying for 10th place, followed by newcomer **Catie Christensen (Columbus, Ohio/Buckeye)** at 9.7, good for 19th place.

Minnesota scored its highest event total on the floor exercise. Frosh **Megan Beuckens (Brandon, S.D./Brandon Valley)** tied for seventh place with a score of 9.85. Christensen was right behind, tying for 11th at 9.825. Junior **Kristi Selinger (Aurora, Colo./Gateway)** tied her career best at 9.80, placing 15th.

Sophomore **Shanyn Lancaster (Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser)** led Gopher finishers on the vault by scoring a 9.725, placing 20th. Frosh **Courtney Norman (Minneapolis, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall)** tied her personal best with a 9.70, and **Selinger** scored 9.675.

Christensen scored 9.80 to lead Minnesota on the uneven bars, tying for 17th place. **Keyser** and sophomore **Megan Skokut (Carmel, Ind./Carmel)** each scored a 9.775 on bars, tying for 21st place.

Minnesota competed without junior **Judy Cavazos (Monterrey, Mexico/Mexicana del Noreste)**, who dislocated a joint in her right foot during practice a week ago.

Team scores:

#1 Georgia	197.375
#10 Florida	195.225
#17 Utah State	194.575
#19 Gophers	194.2
#13 Denver	194.2
#16 Iowa State	194.175

MINNESOTA RANKED NO. 19 — The Golden Gophers are ranked No. 19 nationally with a regional qualifying score of 195.0000. The RQS is based on a team's six best regular-season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. The high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged.

KEYSER RANKED — Senior **Cathy Keyser** is tied for No. 23 in the nation on the balance beam with a regional qualifying score of 9.8750. **Keyser** averages 9.712 on the balance beam.

BEUCKENS ENDS HER FIRST SEASON STRONG — Frosh **Megan Beuckens** tied for seventh place on the floor exercise at the NCAA Region 2 Championships on Saturday. The finish was Minnesota's highest individual place of

the meet, as was her score of 9.85.

At the Big Ten Championships, **Beuckens** tied for second on the floor exercise (9.90) and tied for fifth on the balance beam (career-high 9.825) to lead Minnesota to fourth place. She earned All-Big Ten honors in both events.

FROSH SCORE BIG AT REGION 2 MEET — Of Minnesota's 24 routines at the NCAA Region 2 Championships, 12 were performed by first-year athletes. **Megan Beuckens** tied for seventh on the floor exercise, Minnesota's highest individual finish. She scored 9.850, Minnesota's highest individual score of the meet. **Beuckens** competed in the all around for the first time in her career at the Region 2 meet.

Catie Christensen led Minnesota on the uneven bars with a 17th-place finish at 9.80. **Christensen** was Minnesota's second finisher on the floor exercise, scoring a 9.825. She competed on the balance beam for the first time since Feb. 20, scoring 9.70.

Frosh **MaryAnne Kelley (Barrington, Ill./Fremd)** competed in all four events at the regional meet. **Kelley** is Minnesota's only athlete to compete in the all around every meet this season.

Courtney Norman tied her personal best on the vault with a 9.70.

SEVEN RECEIVE ACADEMIC ALL-BIG TEN HONORS — **Megan Skokut** holds the distinction of being the only Big Ten female athlete competing in a winter sport to hold a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

Other Golden Gopher gymnasts receiving Academic All-Big Ten honors are **Judy Cavazos, Melissa Chang, Shanyn Lancaster, Jenny Mazzone, Mariam Pourshoushtari** and **Kristi Selinger**.

GOLDEN GOPHER CO-HEAD COACHES JIM AND MEG STEPHENSON — Co-head coaches **Jim** and **Meg Stephenson** finished their second season as co-head coaches at Minnesota. The duo earned 1998 Big Ten Coach of the Year honors after leading the Golden Gophers to their first conference title since 1991. The duo has a 32-18-1 record as co-head coaches.

Jim Stephenson ended his seventh season as head coach of the Golden Gophers. He earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors in 1997 and 1995. **Stephenson** has a career record of 105-93-1, with a record of 73-83 in his first five years at Minnesota. **Jim Stephenson** came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine All-Americans on the uneven bars.

Meg Stephenson is in her second season as co-head coach of the Golden Gophers. She was an assistant coach at Minnesota for five seasons. Prior to coming to Minnesota, **Stephenson** was a consultant for four years at the University of Utah, where she assisted in both balance beam and floor exercise.

NATIONAL RANKING (March 29) —

1. Georgia	197.4437
2. Alabama	197.0875
3. Utah	196.8000
4. Michigan	196.7000
5. LSU	196.1562
6. Penn State	196.0375
7. Stanford	195.8687
8. Arizona State	195.7437
9. Nebraska	195.6812
10. Florida	195.6375
11. Ohio State	195.6125
12. Oregon State	195.5312
13. Denver	195.4187
14. Maryland	195.3187
15. UCLA	195.2937
16. Iowa State	195.1875
17. Utah State	195.1312
18. Boise State	195.0750
19. Minnesota	195.0000
20. West Virginia	194.9125
21. Oklahoma	184.8125
22. North Carolina State	194.7250
23. Brigham Young	194.6375
24. Kentucky	194.5937
25. Illinois-Chicago	194.5625

1999 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

Overall: 14-11-1 Dual: 7-3 Home: 7-1 Away: 4-4 Neutral: 4-5-1 Big Ten: 7-3 Top 25: 7-10-1

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/9 Best of Minnesota	192.400		47.425		47.700		48.275		48.950	
Winona State		178.750		44.600		44.350		43.700		46.100
Hamline		138.625		35.400		33.950		33.850		35.425
Gustavus Adolphus		137.200		36.125		31.875		33.700		35.500
1/15 at #5 Michigan	193.550	193.050	48.250	48.900	48.375	39.325	48.225	47.025	48.700	47.800
1/23 #2 Utah	194.175	194.600	48.200	48.475	48.725	48.725	48.650	49.050	48.600	48.350
1/30 at #1 Alabama	194.650	196.025	48.600	48.750	48.825	49.550	48.350	48.375	48.875	49.350
2/6 #12 Iowa State	193.375	191.075	48.275	48.300	48.275	48.450	48.175	46.250	48.650	48.075
2/13 Iowa	194.275	187.725	48.325	47.450	48.950	46.075	48.175	46.175	48.825	48.025
2/20 at #12 West Virginia	192.425	195.175	48.250	48.600	48.275	49.000	46.825	48.375	49.075	49.200
vs. North Carolina State		193.200		48.375		48.225		47.850		48.750
2/27 at #25 Illinois	194.900	194.475	48.750	48.100	49.250	48.900	47.775	48.750	49.125	48.725
3/5 at Iowa	194.875	0.0	48.700	0.0	48.875	0.0	47.950	0.0	49.350*	0.0
3/7 at #20 Iowa State	195.575	195.775	48.575	48.875	48.825	48.800	49.025	48.825	49.150	49.275
3/12 #14 West Virginia	194.375	189.875	48.350	47.450	48.700	47.300	48.475	47.675	48.850	47.450
3/21 #19 Denver	196.125	194.700	48.750	48.925	49.350*	48.825	48.925	48.125	49.100	48.825
3/27 Big Ten Championships										
Michigan		196.300		49.175		49.300		48.350		49.475
Penn State		195.550		48.850		49.225		48.350		49.125
Ohio State		194.625		48.875		48.850		47.825		49.075
Minnesota	194.150		48.375		48.825		47.800		49.150	
Illinois		193.800		48.250		47.675		48.900		48.975
Michigan State		191.600		48.250		47.025		47.425		48.900
Iowa		136.825		28.225		35.575		44.500		28.525
4/10 Region 2 Championships										
#1 Georgia		197.375		49.325		49.500		49.075		49.475
#10 Florida		195.225		48.650		49.375		48.700		48.500
#17 Utah State		194.575		48.800		48.625		48.125		49.025
Minnesota	194.200		48.325		48.775		48.175		48.925	
#13 Denver		194.200		48.500		49.025		48.275		48.400
#16 Iowa State		194.175		49.000		48.850		47.550		48.775

1999 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM SEASON HIGHS BY EVENT

Vault	9.900	Shayn Lancaster	at Iowa, 3/5
Uneven Bars	9.925	Judy Cavazos	vs. #19 Denver, 3/21 at #25 Illinois, 2/27
Balance Beam	9.925	Cathy Keyser	vs. #19 Denver, 3/21
Floor Exercise	9.925	Megan Beuckens	at Iowa, 3/5
All Around	39.025	MaryAnne Kelley	at Iowa, 3/5
Team Vault	48.750		vs. #19 Denver, 3/21 at #25 Illinois, 2/27
Team Uneven Bars	49.350*		vs. #19 Denver, 3/21
Team Balance Beam	49.025		at #20 Iowa State, 3/7
Team Floor Exercise	49.350*		at Iowa, 3/5
Total Team Score	196.125		vs. #19 Denver, 3/21

* School record

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Women's Athletics Mission Statement

The Department of Women's Athletics is dedicated to offering compelling experiences to the community by providing an environment steeped with integrity, values and vitality with the ultimate goal of exceeding all others in athletic excellence.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (all times central)

Wednesday, April 21		
SB at Wisconsin (2)		1 p.m.
Friday, April 23		
T/F at Drake Relays		8 a.m.
TN at Ohio State		1:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 24		
SB hosts Indiana (2)		1 p.m.
T/F at Drake Relays		8 a.m.
T/F at Macalaster Invitational		9 a.m.
GF at Buckeye Invitational		7:30 a.m.
Sunday, April 25		
SB hosts Indiana		noon
TN at Penn State		9 a.m.
GF at Buckeye Invitational		7:30 a.m.

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What's Coming Up

Golf

- Gophers compete in the Buckeye Invitational in Columbus, Ohio

Softball

- Minnesota travels to Wisconsin for a doubleheader on Wednesday
- #25 Golden Gophers host Indiana in a three-game Big Ten series over the weekend

Tennis

- Minnesota travels to Ohio State and Penn State to finish the Big Ten regular season

Track and Field

- Minnesota splits the squad, sending athletes to the Drake Relays and the Macalaster Invitational

Gopher Highlights

Golf

- Three seniors place in the top ten, leading the Gophers to a second-place finish in the Hawkeye Invitational

Softball

- Shannon Beeler becomes the all-time Big Ten home run leader after hitting her 39th career home run at Iowa State
- Minnesota takes two of three games to win the series against Big Ten rival Penn State

Tennis

- Gophers sweep doubles matches against both Michigan and Michigan State
- Minnesota is tied for second place in the Big Ten with a conference record of 6-2

Track and Field

- Nicole Chimko wins the discus at the St. Olaf Invitational, provisionally qualifying for the NCAA Outdoor Championships



1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule

Overall: 31-15 Big Ten: 4-5

FEBRUARY

12-14 Metrodome Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Missouri in semis)

18 North Carolina W, 3-1; W, 1-0

19-21 Triangle Classic
(7-0 record, co-champs with Marshall)

26-28 Troy Cox Softball Classic
(3-2 record, lost to Texas Tech in quarters)

MARCH

5-7 Aggie II Invitational
(5-1 record, tournament champions)

22 at Florida State L, 5-0; L, 5-2

at B.-Cookman W, 7-0; W, 10-0

26 at South Florida L, 4-0; L, 2-1

31 MSU, Mankato W, 15-0; W, 3-0

APRIL

3 at Purdue W, 4-1; L, 6-3

4 at Purdue W, 2-1 (9)

7 Drake W, 2-1 (9); W, 2-1

10 at Michigan L, 5-2; L, 8-3

11 at Michigan L, 6-3

13 at Iowa St. L, 3-1; W 11-4 (6)

17 Penn State W, 1-0; W, 6-3

18 Penn State L, 3-1

21 at Wisconsin (2) 1 p.m.

24 Indiana (2) 1 p.m.

25 Indiana Noon

28 at Northwestern (2) 2 p.m.

MAY

1 at Michigan State (2) 1 p.m.

2 at Michigan State Noon

5 Iowa (2) 2 p.m.

8 Ohio State (2) 1 p.m.

9 Ohio State Noon

14-15 Big Ten Tournament TBA

20-23 NCAA Regionals TBA

27-31 NCAA Women's College
World Series (Oklahoma City)

* Big Ten games
Home games in bold at Bierman Softball
Stadium, unless otherwise indicated.
Game times local to site.

Minnesota Softball 1999



Record: 31-15, 4-5 National Ranking: No. 25

at Wisconsin (20-13, 4-4), April 21, 1 p.m. (DH)

vs. Indiana (17-27, 3-8), April 24, 1 p.m. (DH)

vs. Indiana, April 25, noon (1 game)

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Minnesota (31-15, 4-5), ranked 25th in the USA Today/NFCA coaches' poll, continues its 1999 Big Ten season with a doubleheader at Wisconsin and a three-game series at home against Indiana. The Gophers are part of a tight race in the Big Ten, as seven teams are within a game of each other. Minnesota finishes with eight of its final 15 conference games at home. The Gophers own the third-best overall record of any Big Ten team. **Shannon Beeler (Shelton, Wash./Shelton)** became the all-time Big Ten home run champion Tuesday with her 39th career homer at Iowa State.

MINNESOTA'S CO-COACHES — Minnesota co-head coach **Lisa Bernstein** is in her eighth season at the school. Her overall record is 271-197-1 (.579). **Bernstein** won her 250th game in the Triangle Classic, defeating Ball State in the Gophers' first game Feb. 21. In the last three-plus seasons, Minnesota has won 69 percent of its games and qualified for two NCAA tournaments.

Minnesota co-head coach **Julie Standerling** was elevated to her current position Jan. 22, and has a Minnesota career record of 31-15 (.674). **Standerling** was an assistant coach at Minnesota from 1992-96 and had been the associate head coach of the Gophers for the past two seasons.

BIG TEN UPDATE — Michigan took control of the conference race last weekend, winning three games at Northwestern. The Wolverines hold a six-game lead over its nearest competitor and are poised to win their sixth Big Ten title in the last eight seasons. The race for second place is very tight, as seven teams begin the week within one game of second-place Michigan State. It is a busy week in the Big Ten, as there are five midweek doubleheaders scheduled along with the weekend series. The current standings:

	Big Ten	Pct.	Record	Pct.	This Week (Big Ten)
Michigan	13-0	1.000	41-6-1	.865	vs. MSU/at Iowa
Michigan State	4-3	.571	30-14	.682	vs. PSU/at Mich./at NU
Iowa	5-4	.556	30-16-1	.649	vs. NU/vs. Michigan
Northwestern	5-4	.556	24-22	.522	at Iowa/vs. Michigan St.
Purdue	6-6	.500	25-18	.581	at Ind./at Penn State
Wisconsin	4-4	.500	20-13	.606	vs. Minn./vs. Ohio State
Penn State	5-6	.455	22-17	.564	at MSU/vs. Purdue
Minnesota	4-5	.444	31-15	.674	at Wis./vs. Indiana
Indiana	3-8	.273	17-27	.386	vs. Pur./at Minnesota
Ohio State	2-11	.154	13-24	.351	at Wisconsin

Big Ten Games

April 19 (DH)

Penn State at Michigan State

April 21 (DH)

Minn. at Wis.; Purdue at Indiana;

MSU at Mich.; N'western at Iowa

April 24-25 (DH Sat., 1 game Sun.)

Michigan at Iowa

Indiana at Minnesota

Michigan State at Northwestern

Purdue at Penn State

Ohio State at Wisconsin

ABOUT WISCONSIN — The Badgers (20-13, 4-4 Big Ten) moved back to the .500 mark in Big Ten play last weekend by winning two of three games at Purdue. Earlier in the conference season, Wisconsin dropped two games to Michigan State and won two of three games at Indiana. The two games against Minnesota begin a five-game homestand for the Badgers, who will host Ohio State this weekend.

Wisconsin's top two hitters are senior shortstop Julie Bouchard (.358, 4 HR, 23 RBI) and junior infielder Amanda Berg (.343, 4 HR, 19 RBI). The Badgers' starting pitchers will likely be sophomore right-hander Jennifer Cummings (9-5, 1.56 ERA) and senior right-hander Ashley Fauser (10-7, 2.25 ERA). Head coach Karen Gallagher is in her fourth season and has a career record of 85-108-2.

THE SERIES — The series is tied, 3-3. The two teams split a doubleheader in Minneapolis last season, with Minnesota winning the first game, 6-0, and Wisconsin winning the nightcap, 2-0. **Steph Klaviter (New Ulm, Minn./Cathedral)** pitched a five-hitter in the first game, while Badger hurler Ashley Fauser pitched a three-hitter in the second game. Minnesota is 0-2 lifetime in Madison, having been swept in a doubleheader by scores of 3-2 and 3-1 in 1997.

ABOUT INDIANA — The Hoosiers (17-27, 3-8 Big Ten) have struggled in recent Big Ten games, losing their last five conference games. Indiana scored four runs in its three losses at Iowa last weekend. The Hoosiers have earned three Big Ten victories, with two coming against Ohio State and one against Wisconsin. Indiana hosts Purdue in a Big Ten doubleheader Wednesday before traveling to the Twin Cities for the weekend series against the Gophers.

The leading offensive players for Indiana are senior outfielder Khara Good (.321, 30 runs), first-year catcher Brooke Monroe (.291, 4 HR, 27 RBI), and junior outfielder Staci Meek (.278, 21 RBI). The Hoosier pitchers will be junior right-hander Teresa Martinez (8-10, 2.13 ERA) and first-year right-hander Alison Cooke (8-10, 2.91 ERA). Head coach Diane Stephenson is in her 12th season at Indiana and has a record of 358-290-3.

THE SERIES — Indiana leads the series, 36-27. The Gophers won two of three games last year in Bloomington, losing the first game, 2-1, and winning the last two games by scores of 6-1 and 8-3. Minnesota won both meetings at the Bierman Softball Complex in 1997 and has won the last three games at home against Indiana, dating back to 1995.

GOPHERS SPLIT AT IOWA STATE, TAKE TWO OF THREE FROM PENN STATE —

Game 42: Iowa State 3, Minnesota 1 — Cyclone pitcher Mandy Loushin shut down the Gophers on two hits and struck out 10 batters to help Iowa State hand Minnesota its fourth consecutive loss. **Steph Midthun (Rio Rancho, N.M./Cibola)** drove in Minnesota's only run with a double in the third inning. The Cyclones broke a 1-1 tie with two runs in the fourth inning and held on for the victory.

Game 43: Minnesota 11, Iowa State 4 (6 inn.) — The Gophers broke out with 12 hits, including three home runs, to gain the split in Ames. **Shannon Beeler** hit a solo home run in the first inning, her ninth of the season and 39th of her career. The home run broke the all-time Big Ten career record held by Monica Armendarez of Indiana. **Jordanne Nygren (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)** tied two Minnesota single-game records by hitting two home runs and driving in seven runs. **Nygren** hit three-run home runs in consecutive at bats in the fourth and sixth innings. **Heather Brown (Farmington, N.M./Farmington)** improved to 9-1 with four innings of two-run, five-hit pitching.

Game 44: Minnesota 1, Penn State 0 — A classic pitching duel between Penn State's Jaci Kalp and Minnesota's **Steph Klaviter** was ended by **Dana Ballard (Oak Park, Ill./Fenwick)** in the bottom of the seventh inning. **Ballard's** bases-loaded, two-out single scored **Shannon Beeler** with the game's only run. **Klaviter** threw her sixth shutout of the season and the 18th of her career, a two-hitter that needed only 71 pitches to complete.

Game 45: Minnesota 6, Penn State 3 — The Gophers scored three runs in the top of the first inning and cruised to victory. **Steph Midthun** tied a school record with four hits in the game. **Tammi Hays (Hastings, Minn./Hastings), Jordanne Nygren** and **Angel Braden (Chino, Calif./St. Lucy's)** each had two hits in the Gophers' 11-hit attack. **Heather Brown** improved to 10-1, 2-1 in the Big Ten with 4 2/3 innings of four-hit pitching, and **Michelle Harrison (Anaheim, Calif./Orange Lutheran)** retired seven of the final eight batters for her third save of the season.

Game 46: Penn State 3, Minnesota 1 — The Nittany Lions salvaged the final game of the series with single runs in the second, fifth and seventh innings. **Erin Brophy (Crystal, Minn./Robbinsdale)** drove in Minnesota's only run with an infield single in the fifth inning. The Gophers loaded the bases with one out in the sixth inning but failed to score. **Steph Klaviter** took the loss, pitching a complete game for Minnesota.

BEELER CONTINUES THE RECORD CHASE —

Minnesota shortstop **Shannon Beeler** has shattered many of the records in the Gopher record book, both single season and career. No Gopher has hit more home runs than **Beeler**, and no Gopher has driven in more runs than **Beeler**, either in a single season or a career. Since that measure of comparison is gone, **Beeler** must now be compared to the greatest players in Big Ten and NCAA history. With her home run at Iowa State last Tuesday, **Beeler** surpassed the all-time Big Ten home run record, held by Monica Armendarez of Indiana. She is in seventh place on the NCAA all-time RBI list, and is on pace to move into the top five before the season is finished. The data:

NCAA DIVISION I CAREER LEADERS

Home Runs

1. Leah Braatz, Arizona	85
12. Nina Lindenberg, Fresno St./LBSU Chelo Lopez, Cal State Northridge	40
14. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota*	39

Runs Batted In

1. Jenny Dalton, Arizona	328
4. Leticia Pineda, Arizona	240
5. Jennifer Cline, Washington	227
6. Michelle Church, Washington	225
7. Shannon Beeler, Minnesota*	221

* denotes active players

OTHER BEELER NUMBERS — A career .358 hitter, Shannon Beeler is currently fourth on the Minnesota all-time list for batting average. She has 258 career hits, and her next double will be the 50th of her career. She is second on the Gopher all-time chart with 153 career runs scored.

THE DEUCE DRIVES ON — Minnesota center fielder Steph Midthun can occasionally get overlooked on a team that hits as many home runs as the Gophers do. However, do not underestimate the impact that the Minnesota leadoff has on the Gopher offense. Midthun is second on the team with a .357 batting average, is tied for second with 32 runs scored and leads the Gophers with 56 hits and 16 stolen bases. Midthun singled in her first at bat against MSU, Mankato on March 31, the 200th hit of her career. She is the seventh Gopher in history to accumulate 200 hits. A career .340 hitter, Midthun is second on the all-time career list with 67 stolen bases and is third with 139 runs scored.

MINNESOTA CAREER LEADERS

Batting Average (min. 350 AB)

1. Amber Hegland (1995-98)	.399
2. Shelly Medernach (1976-79)	.393
3. Rachel Nelson (1994-97)	.386
4. Shannon Beeler (1996-C)	.358
5. Steph Midthun (1996-C)	.340

Hits

1. Rachel Nelson (1994-97)	313
2. Amber Hegland (1995-98)	291
3. Lezlie Weiss (1990-93)	259
4. Shannon Beeler (1996-C)	258
5. Steph Midthun (1996-C)	214
6. Mischel Doerr (1990-93)	203
7. Kari Blank (1988-92)	201

Runs Scored

1. Rachel Nelson (1994-97)	175
2. Shannon Beeler (1996-C)	153
3. Steph Midthun (1996-C)	139
4. Laura Peters (1995-98)	135

Stolen Bases

1. Mischel Doerr (1990-93)	81
2. Steph Midthun (1996-C)	67
3. Rachel Nelson (1994-97)	66

BRADEN LEADS GOPHER HITTERS — It might surprise some people that sophomore infielder Angel Braden is currently the Gophers' top hitter for average, both in overall and Big Ten play. Despite missing five weeks with a broken orbital bone suffered in New Mexico, she leads Minnesota with a .357 (25-70) batting average. In Big Ten play, Braden leads the Gophers with a .323 batting average, .484 slugging percentage, and five runs batted in. She is tied for the team lead with 10 hits, and has the team's only triple and home run in conference play. Braden has improved her career batting average to .317 (53-167) with 22 runs scored, 10 extra-base hits and 30 RBI in 56 career games.

KLAVITER BREAKS WINS RECORD — Steph Klaviter is Minnesota's all-time winningest pitcher after winning her 68th game March 5 at Texas A&M. She broke the record previously held by Brenda Bixby, who won 67 games from 1988-92. Klaviter, who has won 71 percent of her games at Minnesota (72-29), is in second place on the Gopher all-time list with 331 strikeouts and is fifth with 18 shutouts. She now has thrown 666 innings in her Gopher career and has moved past former Gopher Jennifer Johnson into second place on the all-time Minnesota list.

KLAVITER TO PARTICIPATE IN USA SOFTBALL NATIONAL TEAM FESTIVAL — Steph Klaviter has been chosen to participate in the 1999 Coca-Cola USA Softball Women's National Team Festival from June 8-14 in Fresno, Calif. Klaviter will be one of 60 players in the Festival. Ten players in the group have been chosen to participate as a member of the United States team at the 1999 Pan American Games. Klaviter will compete for one of the five remaining positions.

THE POLL — The Gophers are ranked 25th in this week's USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association poll. Minnesota fell from last week's placing of 22nd. The next poll will be released Wednesday.

NEXT WEEK — Minnesota's final 10 games of the regular season will take place against Big Ten foes. The Gophers travel to Northwestern to play a doubleheader against the Wildcats on Wednesday, April 28 at 2 p.m. Minnesota travels to Michigan State in a three-game series in East Lansing, Mich., on Saturday, May 1, at 1 p.m., and Sunday, May 2, at noon.

1999 Minnesota Softball Schedule/Results

Metrodome Softball Classic (Minneapolis, Minn.)

Feb. 12	W, 8-7	Western Illinois
	L, 7-0	Kansas
Feb. 13	W, 8-0 (5)	Northern Illinois
	W, 2-1	Missouri
Feb. 14	L, 4-3	Missouri

Feb. 18	W, 3-1	North Carolina
	W, 1-0 (6)	North Carolina

Triangle Classic (Raleigh, N.C.)

Feb. 19	W, 7-5	Campbell
Feb. 20	W, 3-2	Akron
	W, 12-2 (5)	UNC-Wilmington
	W, 1-0 (8)	Virginia
Feb. 21	W, 3-2	Ball State
	W, 6-5 (8)	Maryland
	W, 1-0	Illinois-Chicago

Troy Cox Invitational (Las Cruces, N.M.)

Feb. 26	W, 3-1 (9)	Wichita State
	W, 8-5	Utah
Feb. 27	W, 11-7	New Mexico State
	L, 5-1	Oregon State
	L, 5-0	Texas Tech

Aggie II Invitational (College Station, Texas)

March 5	W, 8-0 (5)	Butler
	W, 2-0	Texas A&M
March 6	W, 6-1	Butler
	L, 2-0	Texas A&M
March 7	W, 10-3	Dayton
	W, 8-0 (5)	Dayton

March 22	L, 5-0	Florida State
	L, 5-2	Florida State

March 24	W, 7-0	Bethune-Cookman
	W, 10-0 (5)	Bethune-Cookman

March 26	L, 4-0	South Florida
	L, 2-1	South Florida

March 31	W, 15-0 (5)	MSU, MANKATO
	W, 3-0	MSU, MANKATO

(Games played at Rice Street Dome)

April 3	W, 4-1	Purdue
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	L, 6-3	Purdue
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April 4	W, 2-1 (9)	Purdue
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April 7	W, 2-1 (9)	DRAKE
	W, 2-1	DRAKE

April 10	L, 5-2	Michigan
	L, 8-3	Michigan

April 11	L, 6-3	Michigan
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April 13	L, 3-1	Iowa State
	W, 11-4 (6)	Iowa State

April 17	W, 1-0	PENN STATE
	W, 6-3	PENN STATE

April 18	L, 3-1	PENN STATE
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April 21	1 p.m.	Wisconsin
		Wisconsin

April 24	1 p.m.	INDIANA
		INDIANA

April 25	noon	INDIANA
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April 28	2 p.m.	Northwestern
		Northwestern

May 1	1 p.m.	Michigan State
		Michigan State
May 2	noon	Michigan State

May 5	2 p.m.	IOWA
		IOWA

May 8	1 p.m.	OHIO STATE
		OHIO STATE

May 9	noon	OHIO STATE
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Home games in **bold** are played at the Bierman Softball Stadium unless otherwise noted.

All times are local to the site of the game.

Overall:	31-15	Big Ten:	4-5
Home:	4-1	Home:	2-1
Away:	8-10	Away:	2-4
Neutral:	19-4		

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Apr 18, 1999)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 31-15-0 Home 4-1-0 Away: 8-10-0 Neutral: 19-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Angel Braden.....	.357	25-25	70	7	25	2	2	1	14	34	.486	5	2	16	0	.416	0	3	1-1	92	31	8	.939
Steph Midthun.....	.357	46-46	157	32	56	6	1	0	9	64	.408	5	0	17	0	.377	0	7	16-17	36	4	2	.952
Shannon Beeler.....	.352	43-43	128	34	45	9	0	9	40	81	.633	13	3	11	0	.424	0	5	4-4	70	94	21	.886
Jordanne Nygren.....	.351	46-46	134	25	47	9	0	12	46	92	.687	23	1	22	0	.449	0	3	1-2	104	62	8	.954
Tammi Hays.....	.310	46-46	126	32	39	2	0	0	5	41	.325	10	5	25	0	.383	0	12	12-15	40	1	4	.911
Katie Orth.....	.234	26-12	47	5	11	0	0	1	2	14	.298	2	0	10	1	.265	0	2	1-1	10	5	0	1.000
Amy Hafemeyer.....	.229	27-22	48	11	11	1	0	0	6	12	.250	2	0	11	0	.260	0	8	3-4	4	0	1	.800
Christine Lindberg..	.222	20-10	36	6	8	2	0	2	4	16	.444	1	0	13	0	.243	0	2	3-3	0	10	2	.833
Michelle Bennett....	.206	37-37	97	6	20	2	0	2	7	28	.289	15	2	15	0	.325	0	7	2-2	177	61	12	.952
Morgan Holden.....	.200	43-34	90	9	18	3	0	0	4	21	.233	10	1	25	0	.287	0	4	1-1	26	32	11	.841
Erin Mooney.....	.200	24-5	30	0	6	1	0	0	4	7	.233	2	1	10	0	.273	0	1	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Dana Ballard.....	.185	25-20	54	3	10	3	1	0	8	15	.278	4	2	12	0	.267	0	0	0-0	88	10	0	1.000
Erin Brophy.....	.172	38-29	87	10	15	8	0	3	14	32	.368	10	1	18	0	.265	0	2	1-1	122	16	5	.965
Lara Severson.....	.147	29-12	34	7	5	0	0	0	2	5	.147	5	0	12	0	.256	0	1	0-1	4	1	0	1.000
Meghan Smith.....	.137	30-27	51	2	7	2	0	1	4	12	.235	0	6	25	0	.228	0	6	1-2	142	11	8	.950
Abby Stehula.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
--- Others ---																							
Ninette Mohns.....	.000	30-0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	4-5	0	1	0	1.000
Totals.....	.271	46-46	1190	194	323	50	4	31	169	474	.398	107	24	243	1	.344	0	63	51-60	924	413	88	.938
Opponents.....	.226	46-46	1178	123	266	30	2	14	96	342	.290	83	15	248	0	.285	0	50	31-40	909	388	72	.947

LOB - Team (286), Opp (285). DPs turned - Team (7), Opp (9). CI - Team (2), Smith 1, Brophy 1, Opp (1). IBB - Team (2), Nygren 2, Opp (7). Picked off - Mohns 1, Ballard 1, Beeler 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Heather Brown.....	1.35	10-1	19	12	4	2/2	0	67.1	52	20	13	13	90	5	0	4	271	.215	3	4	2	0	11
Steph Klaviter.....	1.42	11-7	26	20	12	6/0	2	128.0	108	50	26	35	81	13	2	3	556	.219	3	6	0	0	20
Michelle Harrison...	1.83	7-6	21	9	5	0/2	3	84.0	79	38	22	20	53	10	0	3	366	.241	4	3	1	0	15
Rayny Camacho.....	1.95	3-1	8	5	3	2/0	0	28.2	27	15	8	15	24	2	0	4	135	.237	6	2	0	0	4
Totals.....	1.57	31-15	46	46	24	12/2	5	308.0	266	123	69	83	248	30	2	14	1328	.226	16	15	3	0	50
Opponents.....	3.23	15-31	46	46	35	5/0	3	303.0	323	194	140	107	243	50	4	31	1385	.271	14	24	2	0	63

PB - Team (15), Smith 9, Brophy 6, Opp (17). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - Brophy (17-21), Smith (14-19), Klaviter (10-16), Harrison (12-13), Brown (5-7), Camacho (4-4).

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOFTBALL
 Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Apr 18, 1999)
 (Big Ten games only Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 4-5-0 Home 2-1-0 Away: 2-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Angel Braden.....	.323	9-9	31	2	10	0	1	1	5	15	.484	1	0	7	0	.344	0	0	1-1	68	6	1	.987
Jordanne Nygren.....	.304	9-9	23	4	7	2	0	0	4	9	.391	10	0	1	0	.515	0	0	0-0	18	13	3	.912
Steph Midthun.....	.294	9-9	34	3	10	0	0	0	0	10	.294	1	0	3	0	.314	0	1	3-3	7	0	0	1.000
Shannon Beeler.....	.267	9-9	30	6	8	0	0	0	4	8	.267	4	0	4	0	.353	0	0	0-0	17	17	2	.944
Michelle Bennett....	.200	9-9	25	0	5	0	0	0	1	5	.200	3	1	1	0	.310	0	2	1-1	22	30	3	.945
Morgan Holden.....	.200	9-7	20	2	4	1	0	0	0	5	.250	2	0	4	0	.273	0	1	0-0	7	0	0	1.000
Katie Orth.....	.200	4-1	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	0	0	0	0	.200	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Amy Hafemeyer.....	.200	5-2	5	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	0	0	1	0	.200	0	0	0-0	1	0	1	.500
Tammi Hays.....	.182	9-9	22	4	4	0	0	0	0	4	.182	2	1	4	0	.280	0	3	2-3	8	1	1	.900
Dana Ballard.....	.176	8-5	17	0	3	2	0	0	4	5	.294	1	0	3	0	.222	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Erin Brophy.....	.167	9-5	18	0	3	1	0	0	1	4	.222	3	0	5	0	.286	0	1	0-0	21	0	1	.955
Meghan Smith.....	.125	8-7	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.125	0	1	4	0	.222	0	3	0-1	19	3	2	.917
Erin Mooney.....	.000	5-0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	2	0	.200	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Christine Lindberg..	.000	3-0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
--- Others ---																							
Ninette Mohns.....	.000	7-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-2	0	0	0	.000
Lara Severson.....	.000	4-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.233	9-9	245	25	57	6	1	1	19	68	.278	28	3	41	0	.319	0	12	9-11	189	91	14	.952
Opponents.....	.233	9-9	240	33	56	7	0	1	28	66	.275	20	5	36	0	.306	0	11	1-2	194	92	18	.941

LOB - Team (70), Opp (56). DPs turned - Team (0), Opp (3). CI - Team (2), Smith 1, Brophy 1, Opp (1). IBB - Team (1), Nygren 1, Opp (2).

(Big Ten games only Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Steph Klaviter.....	1.86	2-2	8	6	3	1/0	0	37.2	31	16	10	14	14	5	0	0	165	.221	0	2	0	0	8
Heather Brown.....	3.00	2-1	5	2	0	0/0	0	11.2	7	6	5	3	14	1	0	1	48	.171	0	2	1	0	1
Michelle Harrison...	4.10	0-2	4	1	0	0/0	1	13.2	18	11	8	3	8	1	0	0	65	.305	0	1	1	0	2
Totals.....	2.56	4-5	9	9	3	1/0	1	63.0	56	33	23	20	36	7	0	1	278	.233	0	5	2	0	11
Opponents.....	1.52	5-4	9	9	6	0/0	2	64.2	57	25	14	28	41	6	1	1	289	.233	3	3	2	0	12

PB - Team (3), Brophy 2, Smith 1, Opp (2). SB/SBA - Klaviter (1-2), Smith (1-2).



University of Minnesota
Women's Athletics

1998-99 Minnesota Tennis Schedule

Overall: 13-5 Big Ten: 6-2

SEPTEMBER

24-27 at National Clay Court Championship
(Baltimore, Md.)

OCTOBER

1-3 at UNLV Tournament
20-25 at Riviera All-American Championship
30-31 at Florida State Fall Classic

NOVEMBER

1 at Florida State Fall Classic
5-8 at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Notre Dame, Ind.)

JANUARY

22-23 Federated Insurance Court Classic
23 vs. #15 Pepperdine L, 5-2
24 vs. DePaul W, 6-1
30 vs. Western Michigan W, 5-2
(at Milwaukee, Wis.)
31 at #35 Marquette L, 5-4

FEBRUARY

7 Illinois-Chicago W, 5-2
12 at Syracuse W, 6-1
13 vs. #41 Maryland (at Syracuse) L, 6-3
20 Illinois W, 5-2
27 Indiana W, 5-2
28 Purdue W, 4-3

MARCH

5 at Iowa State W, 9-0
6 at Drake W, 6-3
25 at Texas Christian W, 6-3

APRIL

4 Northwestern L, 6-1
10 at Iowa W, 4-3
11 at Wisconsin L, 4-3
16 Michigan W, 5-2
18 Michigan State W, 6-1
23 at Ohio State 2:30 p.m.
25 at Penn State 10 a.m.
29-30 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)

MAY

1-2 at Big Ten Championships
(Michigan State)
14-16 NCAA Regionals
20-28 NCAA Championships
(Gainesville, Fla.)

All home matches in bold



Minnesota Tennis 1998-99

at Ohio State
Friday, April 23

at Penn State
Sunday, April 25

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GOPHERS ON THE ROAD FOR END OF REGULAR SEASON —

Minnesota (13-5, 6-2) is on the road this weekend for the final matches of the regular season. The Gophers will play at Ohio State (14-8, 6-3) on Friday and at Penn State (3-13, 0-9) on Sunday. Minnesota is tied for second place in the conference, while Ohio State is third and Penn State 11th.

THE BIG TEN RACE — Minnesota is tied with Wisconsin for second place in the Big Ten standings. Northwestern remains in first place with a 7-1 record. Minnesota's highest conference finish was a tie for third place in 1996.

1. Northwestern	7-1
2. Minnesota	6-2
Wisconsin	6-2
4. Ohio State	6-3
5. Illinois	5-3
6. Indiana	4-4
Iowa	4-4
8. Purdue	3-5
Michigan	3-5
10. Michigan State	1-7
11. Penn State	0-9

THE GOPHERS IN THE RANKINGS — Minnesota is ranked No. 43 in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings, released April 6. Minnesota is one of seven Big Ten schools listed in the top 75. Northwestern is ranked the highest of conference schools, at No. 23, followed by Ohio State at No. 31. The others ranked are Iowa (38), Minnesota (43), Illinois (51), Wisconsin (62) and Indiana (65). The next rankings will be released Tuesday.

MINNESOTA RECENTLY — Minnesota moved into a tie for second place in the Big Ten with two wins over the weekend. The Gophers defeated Michigan, 5-2, on Friday and Michigan State, 6-1, on Sunday. Both matches were played at the Northwest Athletic Club in Bloomington.

Minnesota swept the doubles matches against both opponents. Seniors **Tarah Elkins (Birmingham, Mich./Seaholm)** and **Sitinee Rangsitienchai (Flossmoor, Ill./Homewood Flossmoor)** won their eighth straight match at No. 2 doubles on Sunday. The duo is 14-7 on the season and 6-2 in the Big Ten.

Junior **Nora Sauska (Budapest, Hungary/Vorosmarty)**, junior **Kim Simonsen (Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West)**, **Rangsitienchai** and sophomore **Tammy Wang (Grand Island, Neb./Grand Island)** each won both of their singles matches over the weekend.

RANGSITHIENCHAI SIXTH ON ALL-TIME LIST — Sitinee

Rangsitienchai's 86 career singles wins ranks sixth all-time for Minnesota. She leads the team in singles victories this season, with 25. That total surpasses her previous season high of 24 set in her first year. She won 19 singles matches her sophomore year and 18 her junior year.

WANG IS UNDEFEATED — Sophomore **Tammy Wang** improved her record during the 1998-99 season to 8-0 with two wins at the No. 6 singles position over the weekend. She has played the last four matches for Minnesota

and is 4-0 in Big Ten matches. Wang won the Florida State Classic Flight C singles title in the fall with a perfect 4-0 tournament record.

ELKINS/RANGSITHIENCHAI ON HOT STREAK — Seniors Tarah Elkins and Sitinee Rangsithienchai have won eight straight matches at the No. 2 doubles position dating back to March 5. They have the team's second-best doubles record, 14-7, and are 6-2 in the Big Ten.

NO DOUBLE TROUBLE — The Golden Gophers have won the doubles point in six of their eight Big Ten matches this season, including a sweep of the three doubles matches against both Michigan and Michigan State over the weekend. Minnesota's doubles teams have won 67 percent of their matches during the dual season (36-18) and in Big Ten matches (16-8).

ABOUT OHIO STATE — Ohio State is ranked No. 31 in the latest ITA poll. The Buckeyes sport a 6-3 record and are in third place in the conference after a loss to Wisconsin, 4-3, on Sunday. Ohio State defeated Iowa, 6-1, on Friday and is 14-8 overall.

Sophomore Kristy Dascoli is ranked No. 49 and is 15-6 at the No. 1 position. She lost her first match of the Big Ten season Sunday to Wisconsin's Barbara Urbanski, the conference's top-ranked player at No. 44. Michelle Matko is 13-4 at No. 2 and Briana Harris is 11-5 at No. 3.

In doubles, the team of Dascoli and Harris is ranked

No. 21 with a 14-8 record.

Ohio State head coach Chuck Merzbacher is in his third season. He was a three-time All-Big Ten selection and won the Big Ten No. 4 singles title in 1984.

Minnesota leads the all-time series with Ohio State, 21-5. The Gophers have won seven straight matches against the Buckeyes, including a 6-1 victory in Columbus, Ohio, on March 8, 1998.

ABOUT PENN STATE — The Nittany Lions have lost four straight, including 7-0 losses to Wisconsin and Iowa over the weekend. Penn State has not won a conference match this season.

The Nittany Lions have no seniors in the singles lineup this season. Frosh Rebecca Ho is 5-11 at the No. 1 position and frosh Jan Perez is 4-10 at No. 2. Juniors Pilar Montgomery and Alison Barnett, who played at No. 1 and No. 2 singles last season, are redshirting this season.

Minnesota leads the all-time series with Penn State, 6-1, including a 5-2 win at Penn State on March 29, 1998.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — Martin Novak is in his ninth year as head coach of the Golden Gophers. Novak has compiled a record of 95-100. Last season, the Gophers finished with an 11-10 record, 6-4 and tied for fourth place in the Big Ten.

UP NEXT — The Big Ten Championship Tournament begins April 29 at Michigan State.

1999 Minnesota Women's Tennis Statistics

Singles	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Spring	Pct.	Big Ten	Pct.	Total	Pct.
Tammy Wang						4-0	4-0	4-0	1.000	4-0	1.000	8-0	1.000
Nora Sauska	9-3	3-1	2-0				8-5	14-4	.778	6-2	.750	22-9	.710
S. Rangsithienchai	1-1		13-3				11-7	14-4	.778	6-2	.750	25-11	.694
Kim Simonsen	2-2	11-3					6-3	13-5	.722	6-2	.750	18-9	.667
Andrea Rose						1-0	2-3	1-0	1.000			3-3	.500
Tarah Elkins				3-9	2-0	3-1	3-2	8-10	.444	1-7	.125	11-12	.478
Jen Howard				0-1	7-8		3-3	7-9	.438	1-5	.167	10-12	.455
Jana Hrdinova				1-4	0-1	5-4	3-3	6-9	.400	3-3	.500	9-12	.429
Totals	12-6	14-4	15-3	4-14	9-9	13-5	40-26	67-41	.620	27-21	.563	107-67	.615

Doubles	#1	#2	#3	Open	Spring	Pct.	Big Ten	Pct.	Total	Pct.
Simonsen/Rose	1-0				1-0	1.000			1-0	1.000
Sauska/Howard		0-1	14-3	7-1	14-4	.778	7-1	.875	21-5	.808
Elkins/Rangsithienchai		12-5	1-0	1-2	13-5	.722	6-2	.750	14-7	.667
Elkins/Simonsen				2-1					2-1	.667
Rose/Wang				1-1					1-1	.500
Hrdinova/Simonsen	8-9			3-3	8-9	.471	3-5	.375	11-12	.478
Hrdinova/Rose				1-2					1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai				0-1					0-1	.000
Totals	9-9	12-6	15-3	15-11	36-18	.667	16-8	.667	51-29	.638

Catch what you've been Missing!

1999 Minnesota Track & Field Schedule

INDOOR

January

9	Northwest Open	unscored
16	at Badger Classic (Madison, Wis.)	unscored
23	at Wis.-Stout	5th (48 points)
30	Minnesota Classic	1st (89 points)

February

5-	at Iowa State Invitational	unscored
6	(Ames, Iowa)	
13	Minnesota Open	unscored
20-	at Big Ten Championships	
21	(Ohio State)	7th (66.33 points)
26	Iowa State Qualifier	unscored

March

5-	at NCAA Championships	
6	(Indianapolis)	t-24th (8 points)

Home meets in **bold** at the University Fieldhouse

OUTDOOR

March

26-	at Bayou Classic	1st of 7 (157 points)
27	(Rice)	

April

10	at Sun Angel Classic	unscored
	(Arizona State)	
10	at Hayward Relays	unscored
	(Oregon)	
10	at Hamline Quad	unscored
17	at Manitou Classic	1st of 21 (103 pts)
	(St. Olaf)	
23-	at Drake Relays	8 a.m.
24		
24	at Macalaster Invitational	9 a.m.

May

1	Minnesota Classic	9 a.m.
1	at Iowa Invitational	10 a.m.
8	Minnesota Open	9 a.m.
15	Minnesota Qualifier	10 a.m.
21-	at Big Ten Championships	
23	(Purdue)	

June

2-	at NCAA Outdoor Championships	
5	(Boise State)	

Home meets in **bold** at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium



Minnesota Track and Field 1999

April 23-24 at Drake Relays (Des Moines, Iowa)
April 24 at Macalester Invitational (Northfield, Minn.)

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THIS WEEK—Minnesota will compete in two events this week, the Drake Relays and the Macalester Invitational.

The Gophers will take 22 of their top athletes to Des Moines, Iowa, for the Drake Relays, one of the nation's top collegiate track and field events. Five other athletes are scheduled for competition at Macalester in St. Paul, Minn.

LAST WEEK—The Gophers cruised to first place, scoring 103 points, at the St. Olaf Manitou Classic in Northfield, Minn., Saturday.

Minnesota finished 14 points ahead of runner-up Gustavus Adolphus while Minnesota-Duluth was a distant third with 70 points, followed by St. Olaf (68) and Wisconsin-River Falls (66.5), rounding out the top five in the 21 team field.

Kim Heath (Pittsburgh, Pa./Schenley) helped account for two of the Gophers' five first-place finishes. The top qualifier for the 100-meter dash finals, she cruised to victory in 12.24 seconds while **Yvette White (Washington, D.C./Woodrow Wilson)** and **Amber Day (Columbia, Md./Oakland Mills)** finished third and fourth respectively, in career-best times of 12.40 and 12.42. That trio was joined by **Pattie Galle (Colgate, Wis./Germantown)** in winning the 4x100 relay in 47.70.

Minnesota earned one other victory on the track as **Chris Eid (Richfield, Minn./Richfield)** won the 10,000 in 37 minutes, 31.45 seconds, earning her first collegiate victory by nearly 46 seconds.

The Gophers also claimed a pair of firsts in the throwing events, led by **Nicole Chimko (Aldersyde, Alberta/Foothills Composite)** who won the discus with an NCAA provisional qualifying throw of 52.46 meters (172 feet, one inch).

She was joined by **Beth Howard (North Branch, Minn./North Branch)**, whose throw of 51.78 (169-11) in the hammer throw was also good for first place.

IT'S AS EASY AS 1-2-3—Once again showing its depth in the throwing events, Minnesota swept the top three places in the discus at the Manitou Classic.

Nicole Chimko came within three inches of a personal best as she won the event while **Brenda Meyer (Watertown, Wis./Watertown)** fell seven inches short of moving onto the Gophers' all-time top 10 list with a second-place throw of 47.66 (156-4). **Jenny Luer (Palmer, Alaska/Palmer)** was third with a throw of 45.04 (147-9).

DOUBLE TROUBLE—With her discus throw Saturday, **Nicole Chimko** now has met NCAA qualifying standards, one provisional and one automatic in two events.

Chimko surpassed the automatic standard in the javelin with a personal-best effort of 54.92 (180-2) to win the Bayou Classic at Rice University, March 27.

Minnesota now has qualifiers in all four throwing events with **Beth Howard** in the hammer throw and **Aubrey Schmitt (Hastings, Minn./Hastings)** in the shot put having also surpassed provisional standards.

Rasa Michniovaite (Pabrade, Lithuania/University of Vilnius) has also provisionally qualified in the 1,500-meter run.

DROPPING THE HAMMER—Junior **Beth Howard** has won two of three meets in the hammer throw this season, her first at Minnesota after transferring from Minnesota-Duluth.

She has broken the old school record (158-2) in all three meets, including her school-record throw of 56.74 (186-2) to place second at the Hayward Relays at Oregon, April 10.

1999 Track and Field 2-2-2-2-2

A MAD DASH—The Gophers got a solid effort from their sprinters in the 100-meter dash Saturday, claiming three of the top four spots at the Manitou Classic.

Kim Heath was rolled to a .13-second victory in 12.24. **Yvette White** finished third in 12.40 to move into eighth on Minnesota's all-time Top Ten Performers list while **Amber Day** finished fourth in 12.42 to tie for ninth on the all-time list.

GOING THE DISTANCE—Frosh distance runner **Chris Eid** made her collegiate debut at 10,000 meters a memorable won as she was victorious at the Manitou Classic. An all-state cross country runner at Richfield High School, she ran her first race in 37:31.45 to win by nearly 46 seconds.

HEAD COACH GARY WILSON — Head coach Gary Wilson is in his 14th season at Minnesota. Wilson guided the Golden Gophers to the NCAA Cross Country Championships for the

second consecutive year in 1998. The cross country team also finished third at both the Big Ten meet and the NCAA regional meet for the second consecutive year. Along the way, junior **Rasa Michniovaite** won the individual title at the regional meet and earned All-America honors by placing 16th. Wilson also coached the Minnesota track and field team to top-25 finishes at the NCAA outdoor championships in 1990, 1991, 1995 and 1996.

UP NEXT—Minnesota will host the first of three outdoor home meets next weekend with the Minnesota Classic, Saturday, May 1, at the **Bierman Track and Field Complex**. Competition gets underway at 9 a.m.

The Gophers are also scheduled to send participants to the Iowa Invitational, slated to begin at 10 a.m. May 1, in Iowa City, Iowa.

Minnesota's NCAA Automatic Qualifiers—

• Javelin	Nicole Chimko	54.92 (180-2)	Bayou Classic, March 27
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Minnesota's NCAA Provisional Qualifiers—

• 1500 meters	Rasa Michniovaite	4:23.95	Sun Angel Classic, April 10
• Discus	Nicole Chimko	52.46 (172-1)	Manitou Classic, April 17
• Hammer Throw	Beth Howard	56.74 (186-2)	Hayward Relays, April 10
• Shot Put	Aubrey Schmitt	15.08 (49-5 3/4)	Bayou Classic, March 27

New Minnesota Outdoor Track and Field Records—

• Pole Vault	Christine Gulbrandsen	3.40 (11-1 3/4)	Sun Angel Classic, April 10
• Hammer Throw	Beth Howard	56.74 (186-2)	Hayward Relays, April 10

1999 Minnesota Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters

1. Kim Heath (d)	12.24
2. Yvette White (d)	12.40
3. Amber Day (d)	12.42

200 meters

1. Kim Heath (b)	25.32
2. Pattie Galle (d)	25.74
3. Amber Day (b)	25.75

400 meters

1. Jessica Shuster (d)	58.75
2. Jenny Moylan (d)	59.72
3. Alisa Gartner (d)	59.79

800 meters

1. Rasa Michniovaite (a)	2:10.66
2. Jenny Moylan (b)	2:16.25
3. Jessica Shuster (b)	2:17.21

1500 meters

1. Rasa Michniovaite (b)	#4:23.95
2. Genalyn Johnson (b)	4:39.09
3. Minna Haronja (a)	4:40.29

3000 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (b)	9:46.88
2. Corinne Nimtz (b)	9:52.66
3. Elaine Eggleston (b)	9:57.96

5000 meters

1. Deb Hudleston (a)	18:23.63
2. Danielle Giusti (d)	19:39.36

10,000 meters

1. Chris Eid (d)	37:31.45
2. Nikki Rassbach (d)	40:22.40

100-meter hurdles

1. Neketa Sears (a)	15.68
2. Julie Antczak (a)	16.23
3. Jaime Hamilton (d)	16.86

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (b)	1:01.93
2. Neketa Sears (b)	1:03.21
3. Jaime Hamilton (d)	1:11.42

4x100 Meter Relay

1. Sears, Heath, Galle, Day (b)	47.09
2. Sears, Heath, Galle, Day (a)	47.14
3. Sears, Heath, Galle, Day (d)	47.70

4x400 Meter Relay

1. White, Sears, Day, Galle (b)	3:51.09
2. White, Sears, Day, Galle (d)	3:59.13

Long Jump

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	12.23 (40-1 1/2)
2. Sara Rutkowski (d)	9.56 (31-4 1/2)

High Jump

Pole Vault

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b)	*3.40 (11-1 3/4)
2. Stacie Blaskowski (a)	3.05 (10-0)

Shot Put

1. Aubrey Schmitt (a)	#15.08 (49-5 3/4)
2. Nicole Chimko (c)	12.85 (42-2)
3. Apasha Blocker (b)	12.26 (40-2 3/4)

Discus

1. Nicole Chimko (d)	52.46 (172-1)
2. Aubrey Schmitt (a)	49.00 (160-9)
3. Brenda Meyer (d)	47.66 (156-4)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a)	@54.92 (180-2)
2. Apasha Blocker (a)	36.38 (119-4)

Hammer

1. Beth Howard (c)	*#56.74 (186-2)
2. Angie Hill (c)	52.52 (172-4)
3. Brenda Meyer (a)	50.08 (164-4)

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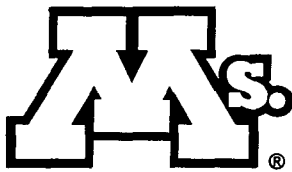
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(a) Bayou Classic (Rice — Houston, Tex.)

(b) Sun Angel Classic (Arizona State — Tempe, Ariz.)

(c) Hayward Relays (Oregon — Eugene, Ore.)

(d) Manitou Classic (St. Olaf — Northfield, Minn.)



1998-99 Minnesota Schedule

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 **Minnesota Invitational**
3rd of 13 teams
- 25-27 **Lady Northern Invitational**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
8th of 14 teams

OCTOBER

- 12-13 **Big Ten/Big 12 Shoot Out**
(Bloomington, Ind.)
11th of 15 teams
- 23-24 **Notre Dame Invitational**
(Bonita Springs, Fla.)
3rd of 13 teams

FEBRUARY

- 27-28 **Midwest Classic**
(Dallas, Texas)
1st of 13 teams

MARCH

- 8-9 **Peggy Kirk Invitational**
(Winter Springs, Fla.)
T-7th of 17 teams
- 27-28 **Myrtle Beach**
Taylor Made Classic
(Myrtle Beach, S.C.)
1st of 10 teams

APRIL

- 10-11 **Indiana Invitational**
(Bloomington, Ind.)
4th of 13 teams
- 17-18 **Hawkeye Invitational**
(Iowa City, Iowa)
2nd of 9 teams
- 24-25 **Lady Buckeye Invitational**
(Columbus, Ohio)
- 30 **Big Ten Championship**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)

MAY

- 1-2 **Big Ten Championship**
(West Lafayette, Ind.)
- 6-8 **NCAA East Regional**
(U. of South Carolina)
- 19-22 **NCAA Championship**
(Tulsa University)

Home tournament played at the U. of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course



Minnesota Golf 1998-99

Buckeye Invitational
Saturday-Sunday, April 24-25
Columbus, Ohio

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GOLDEN GOPHERS SET FOR LAST REGULAR-SEASON TEST – The University of Minnesota women’s golf team will compete in the Lady Buckeye Invitational, Saturday-Sunday, April 24-25, in their final tune-up before the Big Ten Conference Championships. The 54-hole tournament will be contested at Ohio State’s Scarlet Course. The course plays at 6,037 yards and par 72. Two rounds or 36 holes will be played on Saturday, and 18 holes on Sunday. A shotgun start is scheduled for both days at 8:30 a.m.

SENIOR TRIO LEADS GOPHERS TO RUNNER-UP FINISH – Seniors **Michelle Ballou (Chaska, Minn./Chaska)**, **Donna Boom (Albert Lea, Minn./Albert Lea)** and **Melanie Lepp (Easton, Minn./United South Central)** notched top-ten finishes in leading the Golden Gophers to a runner-up showing at the Hawkeye Invitational in Iowa City, Iowa, last weekend.

Indiana won the team title with 614 (307-307) strokes, and captured the top four individual honors. Minnesota tallied 638 (318-320) for second, while Northwestern was third at 645 (327-318).

Ballou shot a 5-over par 78 in the second round to move into a tie for fifth place at 157 (79-78). **Boom** and **Lepp** shot identical rounds of 79 on both days to finish in a tie for seventh place at 158 (79-79).

Indiana’s **Erin Carney** held on to win medalist honors with a 36-hole total of 151. Carney carded a 79 on Sunday after shooting the tournament’s only sub-par round, a 1-under 72, on Saturday.

Other Gopher finishes were **Kristi Weichert (Caledonia, Minn./Caledonia)**, who tied for 25th at 165 (81-84) and **Jenny Bruun (Crookston, Minn./Central)**, who tied for 34th at 169 (85-84). **Megan Stier (Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine)** competed on an individual basis and placed in a tie for 30th at 167 (88-79).

Team Standings

1.	Indiana	307-307	614
2.	Minnesota	318-320	638
3.	Northwestern	327-318	645
4.	Wisconsin	330-319	649
5.	Iowa	331-322	653
6.	Michigan	333-324	657
7.	Notre Dame	337-327	664
8.	Arkansas-Little Rock	343-323	666
9.	Illinois	348-341	689

Minnesota golfers

T5	Michelle Ballou	79-78	157
T7	Melanie Lepp	79-79	158
T7	Donna Boom	79-79	158
T25	Kristi Weichert	81-84	165
T30	Megan Stier	88-79	167
T34	Jenny Bruun	85-84	169

A LOOK AHEAD – Minnesota’s next competition is the Big Ten Conference Championship, April 30-May 2, at West Lafayette, Ind.