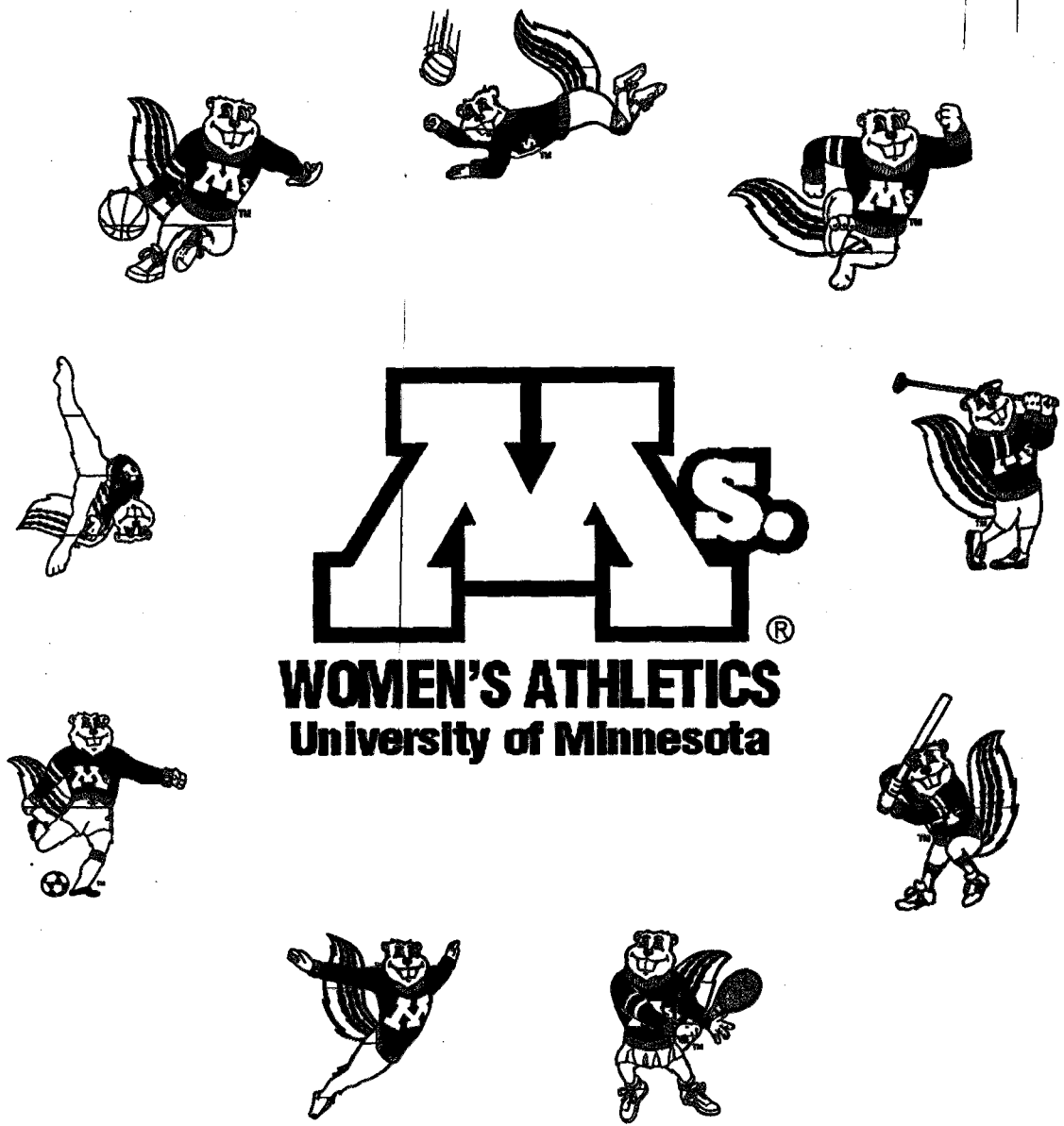


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**1996-97 Sears Directors' Cup
 Final Standings**

1.	Stanford	1,084.5
2.	North Carolina	804.0
3.	UCLA	802.0
4.	Nebraska	780.5
5.	Florida	763.0
6.	Arizona	672.5
7.	Texas	671.0
8.	Ohio State	628.0
tie	Southern California	628.0
10.	Louisiana State	624.0
11.	Michigan	610.5
tie	Washington	610.5
13..	Arizona State	571.0
14	Notre Dame	558.5
15.	MINNESOTA	556.5
16.	Brigham Young	553.0
17.	Tennessee	531.5
18.	Alabama	529.5
19.	Auburn	527.0
20.	Penn State	520.0

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Volleyball

24-11 Overall

14-6 Big Ten (Fourth)

NCAA Second Round

Soccer

13-7 Overall

5-2 Big Ten (Third)

NCAA First Round

Cross Country

Big Ten - Fifth

Swimming & Diving

NCAA - 13th

Big Ten - Second

Gymnastics

NCAA - 10th

Big Ten - Second

Basketball

4-24 Overall

1-15 Big Ten (11th)

Tennis

11-7 Overall

6-4 Big Ten (Fifth)

NCAA First Round

Softball

37-19 Overall

10-13 Big Ten (T-Sixth)

Golf

Big Ten - Fifth

Track & Field

Big Ten Indoor - Sixth

Big Ten Outdoor - Seventh



1996-97 U. of Minnesota Golden Gophers Year in Review

The University of Minnesota Women's Athletics Department enjoyed another banner year in 1996-97. From the first day of preseason practices in August until the final competition of the track and field team in June, the Gophers achieved many spectacular accomplishments over the past year.

Two of those accomplishments, one by an individual and one by a team, stand at the pinnacle of the highlights of the 1996-97 sporting seasons.

Swimmer **Gretchen Hegener**, the co-recipient of the Big Ten's prestigious Suzy Favor Athlete of the Award, proved she was the best of the best in her sport by capturing the NCAA title and American record in the 100-yard breaststroke. The first Gopher to hold such an elite mark as an American record, **Hegener's** dream season was concluded by a record clocking of 1:00.32 in the national championship race.

Labeling **Hegener's** junior season as sensational would be a vast understatement. In addition to her national championship in the 100 breaststroke, she also earned all-America honors in the 200 breaststroke and the 200 and 400 medley relays. She was the Big Ten champion in both individual and relay events as well, en route to sharing Big Ten Swimmer of the Year honors. Three times in '96-97 **Hegener** was honored as the Big Ten Swimmer of the Month and an unprecedented four times she garnered the honor of Minnesota Athlete of the Month.

The team achievement foremost in one's mind for the '96-97 campaign was the feat accomplished by the Gopher gymnastics team. Minnesota vaulted from a second-place finish in the Big Ten championships to qualify for the NCAA regional competition and from there to the NCAA Gymnastics Championships for the first time in Minnesota history. The Gophers placed 10th at the NCAA's, tying the highest national team finish in the history of Gopher women's athletics.

Here's a brief sport-by-sport recap of the 1996-97 year in Gopher women's athletics:

The surprise of the fall season was the outcome of the volleyball season. Under the direction of new head coach **Mike Hebert**, the Gophers posted a 24-11 overall record, placed fourth in the Big Ten and received just the third bid in Minnesota volleyball history to compete in the NCAA tournament. In tournament play, the Gophers defeated Central Florida in a grueling five-set match at the Sports Pavilion before being eliminated by Long Beach State.

Outside hitter **Katrien DeDecker** concluded a brilliant volleyball career with first-team all-America and Big Ten Medal of Honor awards among her many accolades. She finished her Gopher career with a Minnesota and Big Ten record 2,300 career kills; a mark which also ranks fifth in NCAA volleyball history.

The soccer team fell short of its goal to defend its Big Ten title won in 1995 but achieved another by earning its second consecutive postseason invitation. The Gophers lost a hard-fought, 3-2 overtime game at Nebraska in the NCAA tournament's first round, which head coach **Sue Montagne** called the best match she'd ever seen. Minnesota completed the '96 season with a record of 13-7 overall, 5-2 and third in the Big Ten standings.

While the season began with the loss of 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year **Jennifer Walek** to a season-ending knee injury, junior midfielder **Jennifer McElmury** emerged as a dominant player and earned 1996 Big Ten Player of the Year acclaim. **McElmury**, who finished the season with a team-high 14 goals and 35 points, was honored as a second-team all-American for the second straight season.

The cross country team concluded its season by sending one athlete, sophomore

Anna Gullingsrud, to the NCAA championship where she placed 71st with a time of 18:50.00. Gullingsrud made quite the splash in her first season as a Gopher after transferring from Purdue. In her first race at Les Bolstad, she ran the fastest time ever by a Gopher runner on the Minnesota home course.

The Gopher harriers placed fifth in the '96 Big Ten championships, paced by the effort of junior **Kari Thompson**, who placed 14th in a time of 18:29.3 to earn second-team all-Big Ten honors.

With the coming of the winter sports seasons, the swimming and diving team dove into one of the most highly-anticipated seasons in Gopher sports history. The Gophers were ranked 15th in the preseason poll and climbed to as high as eighth, working their way to a perfect 15-0 regular-season record.

The Gophers placed 13th at the NCAA championships, with each participant contributing points to the team total. In addition to **Hegener**, first-team all-Americans were **Olga Splichalova**, **Amy Cottrill**, **Shona Baillie**, **Tanya Schuh** and **Jenny Hennen**. Honorable mention all-America recipients were **Andrea Berg**, **Kimberly Wilson**, **Carrie Hansen** and **Terri Jashinsky**.

The Big Ten championships found the Gophers battling perennial champ Michigan. The Gophers placed second but scored 608.5 points to Michigan's 708, making the '97 conference meet one of the closest in championship history. The Gophers claimed conference titles in five individual events and two relays.

While the swimmers and divers were expected to make noise on the national scene, the gymnasts put together one of the most exciting seasons in Gopher sports history.

The gymnastics team crowned a first-team all-American for the first time since Marie Rothlisberger in 1990 when **Mindy Knaeble** earned the honor on the floor exercise. Newcomer **Judith Cavazos** put the finishing touches on a stellar initial collegiate season by claiming second-team all-America honors on the uneven bars.

Another highlight of the '97 gymnastics season was the Big Ten championships, which was hosted by the Gophers in the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota pushed favored Michigan to the limit before finishing in second place with a record team score of 196.350. **Knaeble** captured a share of the conference title on the balance beam with an all-time Minnesota-best score of 9.950, while **Jim Stephenson** was honored as the 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year.

On the basketball court, junior center **Angie Iverson** turned in an outstanding performance, leading the nation in rebounds and earning second-team all-Big Ten accolades. The Gophers upset Wisconsin in the Big Ten tournament before falling to Illinois and finished the season with a 4-24 overall mark, 1-15 and 11th in the Big Ten standings.

The Gopher spring sports were highlighted by the performance of the tennis team, which advanced as a team to the NCAA tournament and sent its top player **Nora Sauska** to the NCAA singles tournament. A loss to Indiana in

NCAA regional action ended the Gophers' season with a record of 11-7. **Sauska** lost her first-round match to the top-seeded player in the tournament to complete her first season with the Gophers with a 23-6 record. Along the way, she was ranked as high as 40th, tying the highest individual rank in Gopher tennis history. She also earned first-team all-Big Ten honors.

The softball team finished the season with a #21 national ranking and a 37-19 overall record. The Gophers were ranked as high as ninth midway through the season but struggled in Big Ten play to finish in a tie for sixth in the conference. Several Minnesota career records were set in '97, most notably **Rachel Nelson** with 313 hits and **Amber Hegland** with 133 runs batted in. **Nelson's** hit total also set a Big Ten career record and ranked fifth all-time in NCAA softball history. Both **Nelson** and **Hegland** landed spots on the all-Big Ten second team and joined **Steph Klaviter** on the all-region second team.

After winning three tournament in their fall season, the golf concluded its spring campaign with a fifth-place finish at the Big Ten tournament. Junior **Amy Dahle** earned first-team all-Big Ten honors for the second consecutive season by posting a score of 317 to tie for seventh-place in the conference tournament.

The performance of senior thrower **Dani Parkos** highlighted the 1997 indoor and outdoor track and field seasons. **Parkos** became just the second Gopher to capture Big Ten track and field titles in two separate events, adding the outdoor shot put title to the discus crown she won in '95. Her winning throw traveled a distance of 51-10 1/2. She qualified for the NCAA outdoor championships, where she ended her career by placing 18th. Indoors, she placed third in the shot put at the Big Ten championships.

The Gopher track and field team placed sixth at the indoor Big Ten championships and seventh at the conference indoor meet.

In the classroom, Gopher student-athletes continued to uphold their standard of excellence. The golf team dethroned the tennis team for the 1996-97 Team Academic Award, while six individual student-athletes received academic honors from GTE/CoSIDA. Senior softball player **Rachel Nelson** earned the highest accolade as a third-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-American. Soccer players **Erin Hussey** and **Jennifer McElmury**, diver **Andrea Berg**, tennis player **Jana Hrdinova** and golfer **Any Dahle** were selected to GTE/CoSIDA academic all-district squads.

1996-97 Minnesota Honors List

Big Ten Suzy Favor Co-Athlete of the Year

Gretchen Hegener
(Shared with Wisconsin's Kathy Butler)

Big Ten Medal of Honor

Katrien DeDecker (volleyball)

Senior Athlete of the Year

Katrien DeDecker (volleyball)

NCAA National Champion

Swimming & Diving — Gretchen Hegener
(100 breaststroke, 1:00.32)

American Record

Swimming & Diving — Gretchen Hegener
(100 breaststroke)

All-America (First Team)

Gymnastics — Mindy Knaeble (floor exercise)
Swimming & Diving — Gretchen Hegener (100 breast stroke, 200 breaststroke; 200 medley relay; 400 medley relay); Olga Splichalova (500 freestyle); Amy Cottrill (200 medley relay); Shona Baillie (200 medley relay; 400 medley relay); Tanya Schuh (200 medley relay; 400 medley relay); Jenny Hennen (400 medley relay)
Volleyball — Katrien DeDecker

All-America (Second Team)

Gymnastics — Judith Cavazos (uneven bars)
Soccer — Jennifer McElmury

All-America (Honorable Mention)

Swimming & Diving — Tanya Schuh (100 butterfly); Andrea Berg (3-meter diving); Kimberly Wilson (1650 freestyle); Amy Cottrill (200 freestyle relay, 800 freestyle relay); Carrie Hansen (1-meter springboard); Gretchen Hegener (200 freestyle relay); Jenny Hennen (200 freestyle relay, 800 freestyle relay); Terri Jashinsky (200 freestyle relay, 800 freestyle relay); Olga Splichalova (800 freestyle)

Big Ten Coach of the Year

Gymnastics — Jim Stephenson

Big Ten Athlete of the Year

Soccer — Jennifer McElmury
Swimming & Diving — Gretchen Hegener

All-Kaepa/AVCA District 2

Volleyball — Katrien DeDecker

NSCAA/UMBRO All-Great Lakes Region

Soccer — Jennifer McElmury (first team), Vanessa Touset (second team), Erin Hussey (third team)

All-District Region IV

Cross Country — Anna Gullingsrud

NSCA All-Mideast Region (second team)

Softball — Rachel Nelson, Amber Hegland, Steph Klaviter

All-Big Ten (first team)

Golf — Amy Dahle
Gymnastics — Mindy Knaeble (beam)
Soccer — Jennifer McElmury, Erin Hussey
Swimming & Diving — Shona Baillie (400 medley relay, 200 medley relay); Amy Cottrill (200 medley relay); Olga Splichalova (500 freestyle); Jenny Hennen (400 medley relay); Tanya Schuh (100 butterfly, 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay); Kimberly Wilson (1650 freestyle); Gretchen Hegener (100 breaststroke, 200 breaststroke, 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay)
Tennis — Nora Sauska
Volleyball — Katrien DeDecker

All-Big Ten (second team)

Basketball — Angie Iverson
Cross Country — Kari Thompson
Softball — Rachel Nelson, Amber Hegland
Soccer — Vanessa Touset

Big Ten Individual Champions

Swimming & Diving — Gretchen Hegener (100 breast stroke, 200 breaststroke, 400 medley relay, 200 medley relay); Shona Baillie (200 medley relay, 400 medley relay); Olga Splichalova (500 freestyle); Tanya Schuh (100 butterfly, 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay); Jenny Hennen (400 medley relay); Amy Cottrill (200 medley relay); Kimberly Wilson (1650 Freestyle)
Gymnastics — Mindy Knaeble (beam)

Big Ten Athlete of the Month — Cross Country

September — Anna Gullingsrud

Big Ten Athlete of the Month — Swimming & Diving

January — Gretchen Hegener
February — Gretchen Hegener
March — Gretchen Hegener

Big Ten Athlete of the Month — Tennis

February — Nora Sauska
March — Nora Sauska

AVCA National Volleyball Player of the Week

Oct. 7 — Becky Bauer

Big Ten Player of the Week — Volleyball

Sept. 9, Sept. 23 — Katrien DeDecker

Oct. 7 — Becky Bauer

Big Ten Player of the Week — Soccer

Sept. 4 — Erin Hussey

Big Ten Player of the Week — Softball

April 7, April 14 — Jennifer Johnson (pitcher)

April 7 — Rachel Nelson

Participants in NCAA Championships

Cross Country — Anna Gullingsrud

Gymnastics — Mindy Knaeble

Swimming & Diving — Shona Baillie, Andrea Berg, Amy Cottrill, Carrie Hansen, Gretchen Hegener, Jenny Hennen, Terri Jashinsky, Tanya Schuh, Beth Shimanski, Olga Splichalova, Kimberly Wilson

Tennis — Nora Sauska

Track & Field — Dani Parkos

Teams participating in NCAA Championships

Gymnastics, Volleyball, Soccer, Tennis

Sports Information Athlete of the Month

September — Katrien DeDecker, Volleyball

October — Becky Bauer, Volleyball

November — Gretchen Hegener, Swimming & Diving

December — Angie Iverson, Basketball

January — Gretchen Hegener, Swimming & Diving

February — Gretchen Hegener, Swimming & Diving

March — Gretchen Hegener, Swimming & Diving

April — Mindy Knaeble, Gymnastics

May — Dani Parkos, Track & Field

All-Tournament Team Selections

Basketball — Angie Iverson (Dial Soap Classic, Lady Rebel Classic); Mindy Hansen (Dial Soap Classic)

Golf — Amy Dahle (Wildcat Invitational, champion)

Soccer — Jennifer McElmury (Offensive Player of the Game-Portland Classic, Wisconsin Invitational), Erin Hussey (Wisconsin Invitational), Dorcey Nelson (Defensive Player of the Game-Portland Classic), Vanessa Tousek (Wisconsin Invitational)

Softball — Steph Klaviter (Triangle Classic), Shannon Beeler (Triangle Classic), Ann Bartholmey (Triangle Classic), Amber Hegland (Troy Cox Invitational)

Tennis — Nora Sauska (Notre Dame Classic "B" Singles; Wolfpack Invitational "A" Singles; Notre Dame Classic "B" Doubles), Jana Hrdinova (Notre Dame Classic "B" Doubles, Indiana Regional Invitational Doubles)

Volleyball — Katrien DeDecker (Diet Coke Classic, San Diego Tournament, Holiday Inn Classic, Boston College Eagle Invitational), Becky Bauer (Diet Coke Classic)

GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-America (third team)

Softball — Rachel Nelson

GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District (second team)

Soccer — Erin Hussey, Jennifer McElmury

Swimming & Diving — Andrea Berg

Golf — Amy Dahle

Tennis — Jana Hrdinova

Academic All-Big Ten

Basketball — Jaime Ellis, Angie Iverson, Sarah Klun, Sonja Robinson

Soccer — Mikki Denney, Erin Hussey, Jennifer McElmury, Kelly Shea

Cross Country — Julie Golla, Janet Howe, Amy Hoel, Karen Kleindl, Andrea Lentz, Bridget Neutgens, Keri Zweig

Volleyball — Becky Bauer, Tara Baynes, Katrien DeDecker, Tera Fiamengo, Jane Passer, Sarah Pearman,

Swimming & Diving — Andrea Berg, Krissy Berglund, Stefanie Bradford, Devon Coellner, Carrie Hansen, Suzie Helvig, Alicia Hicken, Carrie Raeth, Jessica Smith, Elizabeth Weld, Kimberly Wilson

Gymnastics — Jonda Hammons, Jenny Mazzone, Mindy Myhre, Lacey Purkat, Kristen Vandersall

Tennis — Tarah Elkins, Jennifer Hayes, Jana Hrdinova, Alice Rangsitienchai,

Softball — Jennifer Bauer, Shannon Beeler, Jennifer Fox, Amber Hegland, Steph Klaviter, Steph Midthun, Renee Sbrocco, Lara Severson

Golf — Michelle Ballou, Amy Dahle, Jenny Trendera

Track & Field — Karen Kleindl, Andrea Lentz, Tina McDonald, Dani Parkos, Kari Thompson, Keri Zweig

Top Five Scholar-Athlete Award Winners

Dana Peterson, Jennifer Hayes, tennis; Susan Castner, gymnastics; Jaime Ellis, Basketball; Stefanie Bradford, swimming & diving

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1996 Minnesota Results

AUGUST

30-31	at San Diego Tournament (San Diego, CA)	
30	vs. San Diego State	L, 3-1
31	at San Diego	L, 3-0
31	vs. Cal-Northridge	W, 3-0

SEPTEMBER

6-7	at Holiday Inn Classic (Bozeman, Mont.)	
6	at Montana State	W, 3-0
7	vs. Washington	L, 3-1
7	vs. Kent State	W, 3-1
13-14	Diet Coke Classic	
13	vs. Georgia Tech	L, 3-2
14	vs. Marshall	W, 3-0
14	vs. Arkansas	W, 3-0
20-21	at Boston College Tourn.	
20	vs. Providence	W, 3-1
20	vs. Dartmouth	W, 3-0
21	vs. Bucknell	W, 3-0
21	at Boston College	W, 3-0
27	Penn State *#	L, 3-0
28	Ohio State *#	W, 3-0

OCTOBER

4	at Iowa #	W, 3-2
5	at Illinois #	W, 3-1
9	at Wisconsin */** #	L, 3-0
12	at Michigan #	W, 3-0
18	Indiana *** #	W, 3-1
19	Purdue #	W, 3-1
25	at Michigan State #	L, 3-0
26	at Northwestern #	W, 3-1

NOVEMBER

1	Illinois *#	W, 3-2
2	Iowa #	W, 3-0
6	Wisconsin *#	W, 3-0
8	Michigan #	L, 3-0
15	at Purdue #	W, 3-1
16	at Indiana #	W, 3-0
22	Northwestern #	W, 3-0
23	Michigan State #	L, 3-0
29	at Ohio State #	W, 3-1
30	at Penn State #	L, 3-1

DECEMBER

4	Central Florida	W, 3-2
	NCAA First Round	
7	Long Beach State	L, 3-0
	NCAA Second Round	

Home matches in bold played at the Sports Pavilion

- # Big Ten matches
- * Match on Midwest Sports Channel
- ** Match on Sports Channel-Chicago
- *** Match on ESPN2.



Volleyball 1996

The 1996 Season

24-11 Overall

14-6 Big Ten (Fourth)

Advanced to NCAA Tournament
Second Round

GOPHERS EARN RESPECT IN '96 — The University of Minnesota volleyball team entered the 1996 campaign with many more questions than answers. After all, Minnesota opened the season with a brand new head coach and a roster low in numbers. Only eleven players made up the Gopher squad of 1996.

The Gophers began their season with a 3-3 record. Maybe the Big Ten coaches pre-season poll, which selected Minnesota to finish eighth, was on target. Minnesota opened the Big Ten season at home against highly-ranked Penn State. The Gophers lost to the Lady Lions, 3-0. Another top-ten team, Ohio State, visited the Sports Pavilion the following night. It was quite possibly in this match, a 3-0 Gopher victory, that the fortunes of the Minnesota volleyball success of '96 took a major swing. A belief was born — this Gopher team could compete with anyone and win. The 1996 season was bound to be a special one.

The first road trip of the Big Ten season would prove to be a huge test of the togetherness of this team. The Gophers found themselves down 2-0 at Iowa but dug deep within themselves to pull out an exhausting 3-2 victory in the longest match in Gopher volleyball history. The second half of the doubleheader weekend didn't allow for an emotional letdown. The match was at Illinois, especially important in the scheme of things because it marked the first homecoming of Mike Hebert to the house and tradition of success that he had built there. His Minnesota team was not about to let their new coach down as the Gophers captured a 3-1 victory in one of the toughest places to play in the Big Ten. The Minnesota record now stood at 12-5.

At the halfway point of the Big Ten season, the Gophers' secret was out -- they were a team to reckon with. Minnesota was 18-7, more importantly 7-3 in the Big Ten and engaged in a battle not only for a spot in the upper echelon of the conference but for the team title as well.

The Gophers matched their 7-3 mark in the second half of the Big Ten season to finish at 14-6. Minnesota placed fourth in the conference but was not eliminated from the team title chase until the final weekend of the season. Highlights of the final go-around of league play included wins over Wisconsin and Ohio State.

Minnesota finished the regular season with a 23-10 record. Their fourth-place finish virtually assured the Gophers of an NCAA Tournament invitation. That indeed happened as the Gophers were selected to host Central Florida in the first round of the 1996 NCAA Volleyball Championship.

A team weakened by illness to several key players took to the court against Central Florida. A scrappy UCF team came in with nothing to lose and grabbed a 2-0 lead in the match. The Minnesota season seemed to be in jeopardy. The Gophers proved resilient once again, rallying to a 17-15 victory in the fifth and deciding game of the match, sending Minnesota to California and the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

A talented squad from Long Beach State awaited the Gophers. Minnesota battled to the final point but lost by a 3-0 count to the 49'ers. The Gophers' season was ended at 24-11.

The 1996 Gophers turned a season of doubt into one of the most exciting seasons in Minnesota volleyball history. One last question: is Minnesota volleyball back? The answer is yes.

THE 1996 MINNESOTA GOPHERS —

Starting Lineup:

Name	Pos.	Ht	Yr.	Hometown / High School
Becky Bauer	ST	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn. / Jefferson
Katrien DeDecker	OH	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium / Royal Athenuem
Sarah Pearman	OH	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn. / Apple Valley
Tera Fiamengo	OH	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif. / St. Anthony
Jane Passer	MB	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn. / United South Central
Tara Baynes	MB	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn. / Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

Bethany Baker	DS	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill. / Knoch
Hillary Hebert	DS	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM / Highlands
Jill McDonell	MB/OH	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn. / Totino-Grace
Michelle Miller	ST	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill. / Worth
Susan Shudlick	ST	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn. / Apple Valley

BIG TEN STANDINGS

Final	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State*	18	2	.900	31	3	.912
Michigan State*	18	2	.900	26	7	.788
Ohio State	15	5	.750	27	6	.828
MINNESOTA	14	6	.722	24	11	.686
Wisconsin	13	7	.650	25	8	.758
Michigan	9	11	.450	14	17	.452
Illinois	8	12	.400	13	15	.464
Purdue	6	14	.300	13	19	.406
Iowa	5	15	.250	10	21	.323
Indiana	4	16	.200	10	22	.313
Northwestern	0	20	.000	9	24	.273

* Co-Big Ten champions

THE BIG TEN IN THE NCAA'S —

Wed., Dec. 4	NCAA First Round MINNESOTA def. Central Florida (8-15, 12-15, 15-12, 15-9, 17-15) WISCONSIN def. Colgate (15-5, 15-3, 15-11)
Sat., Dec. 7	NCAA Second Round LONG BEACH STATE def. Minnesota 3-0 (15-10, 15-13, 15-6) Wisconsin def. GEORGE MASON 3-1 (2-15, 15-9, 15-10, 15-11) MICHIGAN STATE def. Texas A&M 3-0 (19-17, 15-13, 15-12)

Sun. Dec. 8	NCAA Second Round Ohio State def. NOTRE DAME 3-2 (8-15, 11-15, 15-11, 15-11, 15-8) PENN STATE def. Georgia Tech 3-0 (15-7, 15-10, 15-13)
Thur., Dec. 12	NCAA Regionals (at Florida) Michigan State def. Long Beach State 3-1 (15-4, 13-15, 15-6, 15-8) Florida def. Ohio State 3-2 (15-8, 14-16, 13-15, 15-12, 15-6)
Fri, Dec. 13	NCAA Regional Final (at Florida) Florida def. Michigan State 3-1 (7-15, 15-7, 15-9, 17-15)
	NCAA Regional (at Nebraska) Penn State def. Wisconsin 3-0 (15-11, 15-5, 15-5)
Sat., Dec. 14	NCAA Regional Final (at Nebraska) Nebraska def. Penn State 3-2 (15-12, 8-15, 15-13, 9-15, 20-18)

NCAA TOURNEY TIDBITS — Minnesota made its third appearance in the NCAA Tournament, adding 1996 to the 1989 and 1993 seasons. The Gophers are 4-3 in NCAA post-season action, never losing a first-round contest. The 1993 Gopher team owns the honor of advancing the farthest in the NCAA Tournament before losing in the regional semi-final round.

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT— Head coach **Dr. Mike Hebert** guided the Gophers to a 24-11 (.686) record in his first season at Minnesota. In 21 years of coaching, **Hebert** owns a career mark of 596-268 (.690) and has directed teams to NCAA Tournament appearances in each of the last 12 seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** completed their first seasons at Minnesota and third with **Mike Hebert**.

GOPHERS FIND SUCCESS ON AND OFF THE COURT – The Minnesota volleyball team accomplished many things on the court in the season of '96. The Gophers earned plenty of high marks for their efforts, and that success followed them into the classroom as well. The entire starting lineup of **Katrien DeDecker**, **Tera Fiamengo**, **Becky Bauer**, **Jane Passer**, **Sarah Pearman** and **Tara Baynes** were honored as members of the 1996 Academic all-Big Ten team. All honorees must be at least a sophomore in eligibility, a letterwinner and maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher.

DeDECKER AN ALL-AMERICAN – **Katrien DeDecker** was awarded the final piece of the puzzle in making her career the most decorated in Minnesota volleyball history when she was named to the Kaepa / American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) All-America First Team. **DeDecker** is the first Gopher to earn NCAA all-America first-team honors in volleyball.

The award caps a spectacular and historic career for **DeDecker**, a senior outside hitter from Bredene, Belgium. She was a three-time Kaepa / AVCA all-district and three-time all-Big Ten selection. In '96, the Gopher co-captain led her squad to the second round of the NCAA Tournament and topped the team with a Minnesota single-season record 738 kills. **DeDecker** completed the most prolific career in Gopher volleyball history with 2,300 kills, which is the Minnesota and Big Ten career kill record, as well as the fifth-best career kill mark in NCAA volleyball history. **DeDecker** was a member of two NCAA tournament teams. In her first season of 1993, Minnesota reached the Sweet 16.

Minnesota has had two volleyball players previously receive NCAA all-America honors. Andrea Gonzalez was named a second-team all-American in 1988, and Jill Halsted received honorable mention acclaim in 1982. Halsted also was accorded first team AIAW all-America honors in 1981.

Three other Big Ten players were selected on the first team: Michigan State's Val Sterk, Ohio State's Vanessa Wouters and Penn State's Terri Zemaitis. Nebraska, Hawaii and Stanford each placed two players on the first team.

1996 Kaepa / AVCA All-America First Team:

Robyn Ah Mow *	S	Hawaii
Angela Bransom	OH	Washington
Katrien DeDecker	OH	Minnesota
Angelica Ljungquist *#	MB	Hawaii
Fiona Nepo	S	Nebraska
Lisa Reitsma *	RS	Nebraska
Lisa Sharpley *	S	Stanford
Sarah Silvernail +	MB	Washington State
Val Sterk *	MB	Michigan State
Kerri Walsh	RS	Stanford
Vanessa Wouters	OH	Ohio State
Terri Zemaitis +	MB	Penn State

Kaepa / AVCA All-America Second Team:

Laura Abbinante	S	Wisconsin
Bonnie Bremner	S	Penn State
Sacha Caldemeyer	S	Pacific
Virag Domokos	MB	George Mason
Kristin Folk *%	OH	Stanford
Angie Kammer	OH	Penn State
Eileen Murfee	MB	Stanford
Gale Oborn Johnson	OH	BYU
Stephanie Papke	S	Washington State
Aurymar Rodriguez	OH	Florida
Demetria Sance +	OH	Texas
Jenny Wood	RS	Florida

1996 Kaepa / AVCA Player of the Year:

Angelica Ljungquist, Hawaii

- * First team selection in '95
- + Second team selection in '95
- % First team selection in '94
- # Second team selection in '94
- \$ Second team selection in '93

DeDECKER NAMED TO ALL-DISTRICT TEAM –

Katrien DeDecker was one of 12 players named to the 1996 Kaepa/AVCA District 2 Team.

Big Ten co-champion Penn State and #1-ranked Florida led all schools with four players selected to an all-district team.

The District 2 team:

Laura Abbinante	S	Wisconsin
Jen Boleyn	S	Ohio State
Bonnie Bremner	S	Penn State
Lauren Cacciamani	MB	Penn State
Katrien DeDecker	OH	Minnesota
Heather Dodaro	MB	Wisconsin
Sherri Helman	MB	Ohio State
Angie Kammer	OH	Penn State
Lori Reinart	MB	Miami, Ohio
Val Sterk	MB	Michigan State
Vanessa Wouters	OH	Ohio State
Terri Zemaitis	MB	Penn State

DeDECKER A UNANIMOUS ALL-BIG TEN PICK — Senior outside hitter **Katrien DeDecker** added another award to her long list of accomplishments when she was named a unanimous all-Big Ten selection. It was the third all-conference award for **DeDecker**.

1996 All-Big Ten Team

- Val Sterk, MH, Michigan State *
 - Katrien DeDecker, OH, Minnesota ***
 - Vanessa Wouters, OH, Ohio State *
 - Terri Zemaitis, MH, Penn State *
 - Jenna Wrobel, OH, Michigan State
 - Bonnie Bremner, S, Penn State
 - Dana Cooke, MH, Michigan State
 - Lauren Cacciamani, MH, Penn State
 - Angie Kammer, OH, Penn State
 - Laura Abbinante, S, Wisconsin
 - Brooke White, OH, Purdue (tie)
 - Heather Dodaro, MH, Wisconsin (tie)
 - Kelly Scherr, OH, Illinois (tie)
 - Sherri Helman, OH, Ohio State (tie)
- * Unanimous Selection

All-Big Ten Honorable Mention: Mary Coleman, Illinois; Jennifer Webb, Iowa; Sarah Jackson, Michigan; Veronica Morales, Michigan State; Jen Boleyn, Ohio State.

Player of the Year: Vanessa Wouters, Ohio State
 Newcomer of the Year: Bonnie Bremner, Penn State
 Coach of the Year (coaches' and media selection):
 Russ Rose, Penn State

THE RECORD STANDS AT 2,300 — With the illustrious career of **Katrien DeDecker** completed, **DeDecker's** entry into the Minnesota and Big Ten record books can be made. **DeDecker**, who became the career Minnesota and Big Ten kill leader on Nov. 8 in a match against Michigan, finished with 2,300 kills in her career.

ONE OF THE BEST IN NCAA HISTORY — A three-time all-Big Ten and all-region player and now a first-team NCAA all-American, **Katrien DeDecker** not only finished her career as the one of the best players in Minnesota and Big Ten history but in NCAA volleyball history as well. **DeDecker's** 2,300 career kills ranks fifth on the NCAA's career kill list. George Washington's **Svetlana Vtyurina** is the best all-time with 3,043 kills from 1992-95.

NCAA Career Kills	Years	Games	Kills
1. Svetlana Vtyurina George Washington	1992-95	488	3,043
2. Jovonne Brooks New Orleans	1989-92	597	2,932
3. Tara Cross Long Beach State	1986-89	488	2,767
4. Priscilla Pacheco Georgia	1991-94	480	2,675

5. Katrien DeDecker Minnesota	1993-96	479	2,300
6. Lori Barberich Penn State	1981-84	---	2,282

DeDECKER SETS SINGLE-SEASON RECORD —

Katrien DeDecker added the Minnesota single-season kill record to the career record she set earlier in the season. **DeDecker's** 738 kills in '96 surpassed the previous Minnesota single-season record of 646 by **Chris Schaefer** in 1988.

DeDECKER'S SEASON TALLY SECOND IN BIG TEN HISTORY —

Katrien DeDecker won the race to the Big Ten single-season kill record but still must settle for the second-highest single-season kill total in Big Ten history with 738. **DeDecker** and Ohio State's Vanessa Wouters raced to the previous record of 714 set by Erin Borske of Illinois in 1995. **DeDecker** broke the record first with 17 kills in the NCAA Tournament contest against Central Florida but Wouters, the Big Ten Player of the Year, posted big numbers in the Buckeyes' tournament matches to finish the season with the record of 765 kills.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN —

Katrien DeDecker moved up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. **DeDecker's** 20 kills in the season finale against Long Beach State was the 19th time this season the senior outside hitter landed 20 or more kills in a match. She had six 30-plus kill matches in her career. **DeDecker** also hit 10 or more kills in an amazing 112 of her 135 career matches.

DOUBLING IT UP — Depending on how you look at it, **Katrien DeDecker** was a statistician's best dream or worst nightmare. **DeDecker** stacked up 16 kill/dig double-doubles in the 1996 season and 32 in her career. She never missed a match during her entire collegiate career and scored at least one kill in each of the 135 matches.

BAUER SETS HER WAY TO THE SECOND BEST ASSIST TOTAL IN MINNESOTA HISTORY —

Becky Bauer didn't let **Katrien DeDecker** have all the fun. **Bauer's** season assist total of 1,657 is the second-best season tally in Gopher history. **Sharon Oesterling** set the standard with 1,725 assists in 1989. **Bauer** also owns the third-best mark in school history with 1,641 assists in 1994 and the ninth-best total of 1,157 in 1995.

PEARMAN DUG HER ROLE IN '96 —

Junior outside hitter **Sarah Pearman** was featured on this season's schedule poster digging a volleyball. It was a pose she struck often, leading the Gophers with 448 digs, the second-best single-season mark in Minnesota volleyball history. **Pearman** is also knocking on the door of the career digs list with 836 and needs 42 more digs to move on to the Gopher top ten list in that statistic.

THE QUIET ONE, PASSER POSTS BIG NUMBERS –

Middle blocker **Jane Passer** quietly contributed one of the finest all-around seasons in Gopher volleyball history. **Passer** led the team in hitting percentage at .307 and total blocks with 146. She is only the seventh Gopher to post over a .300 attack percentage season. With her outstanding junior season, **Passer** moved on to the Minnesota career attack percentage top ten list and is currently 10th with a .243 career percentage. Of her total blocks, 128 of them were assisted, setting a new Minnesota single-season record.

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	10-4
Road matches	9-5
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	12-7
In four-game matches	8-3
In five-game matches	4-1
Record winning the first game	19-2
Record winning first two games	14-0
Record losing first game	5-9
Record losing first two games	2-8
Record vs. ranked opponents	3-8

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
 Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
 Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 15 vs. Iowa
 Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
 Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, **Katrien DeDecker** vs. Illinois
 Attempts — 94, **Katrien DeDecker** vs. Iowa
 Attack Pct. — .800, **Tera Fiamengo** (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 77, **Becky Bauer** vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 7, **Tara Baynes** vs. Iowa
 Digs — 26, **Sarah Pearman** vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 5, **Tara Baynes** vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 9, **Tara Baynes** vs. Iowa

TWO TEAM RECORDS SET IN '96 – The number of individual records set in '96 seemed endless, but just two team records were set or tied during the season. The Gophers' 14 wins during the Big Ten season matches the record set first by the 1993 squad. Behind the awesome offensive display by the Gophers this season, especially the play of setter **Becky Bauer**, the one record rewritten by the 1996 team was in assists with 1,947.

NATIONAL STATS – **Katrien DeDecker** led the nation for much of the 1996 season in kills per game but slipped to fourth in the final release of the NCAA statistics with a 5.95 kills per game average. Setter **Becky Bauer** completed the season ranked 10th in assists per game at 13.81. As a team, Minnesota finished with a ranking of seventh in kills per game (17.60), 10th in assists per game (15.70) and 17th in hitting percentage (.270).

GOPHER VOLLEYBALL A BIG HIT WITH FANS –

The excitement of Minnesota volleyball spread to the fans as the Gophers averaged an attendance figure of 1,884 fans per match in '96, which ranked as the ninth best attendance average in the country. The biggest crowd of the season was 3,514 against Illinois on November 1, setting a new Sports Pavilion attendance record. Two other matches in '96 made their way on to the top ten attendance list, versus Northwestern and Michigan State.

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.	3,869	vs. Michigan State	11/10/90
6.	3,514	vs. Illinois %#	11/1/96
7.	2,766	vs. Northwestern %	11/22/96
8.	2,719	vs. Illinois	10/30/92
9.	2,569	vs. Michigan State %	11/23/96
10.	2,541	vs. Purdue	10/22/93

* NCAA tournament

% Match played at Sports Pavilion

Sports Pavilion record

***Minnesota hosted the championship game of the NCAA tournament between Texas and Hawaii in 1988; attendance was 9,107

MINNESOTA RECEIVED VOTES IN NATIONAL POLL

— For seven straight weeks at the end of the '96 season, the Gophers received points in the AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches Poll. Minnesota tallied 17 points in the final poll of the season. If the ranking were carried further than 25th, the Gophers would be ranked 27th in the Dec. 24 poll.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Big Ten Medal of Honor

Katrien DeDecker

Senior Athlete of the Year

Katrien DeDecker

MSC Division I Athlete of the Year

Katrien DeDecker

AVCA All-America (first team)

Katrien DeDecker

All-Big Ten (first team)

Katrien DeDecker

Academic All-Big Ten

Becky Bauer, Tara Baynes, Tera Fiamengo, Katrien DeDecker, Jane Passer, Sarah Pearman

AVCA National Volleyball Player of the Week

Oct. 7 — Becky Bauer

Big Ten Player of the Week

Sept. 9, Sept. 23 — Katrien DeDecker

Oct. 7 — Becky Bauer

Sports Information Athlete of the Month

September — Katrien DeDecker, Volleyball

October — Becky Bauer, Volleyball

1996 Co-captains

Katrien DeDecker, Sarah Pearman

Most Valuable Player

Katrien DeDecker

Coaches Award

Sarah Pearman

All-Tournament Team Selections

Katrien DeDecker (Diet Coke Classic, San Diego Tournament, Holiday Inn Classic, Boston College Eagle Invitational), Becky Bauer (Diet Coke Classic)

Patty Berg Award Winners

Bethany Baker, Katrien DeDecker, Tera Fiamengo, Hillary Hebert, Jane Passer, Sarah Pearman

"M" Letterwinners

Bethany Baker, Becky Bauer, Tara Baynes, Katrien DeDecker, Tera Fiamengo, Hillary Hebert, Jill McDonell, Michelle Miller, Jane Passer, Sarah Pearman, Susan Shudlick

As of: December 7, 1996
 #8 Long Beach State
 35 Matches played
 24 Wins, 11 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	34	90	1	1	3	.000	2	0	0	10	0	0	91
2	Fiamengo, T.	35	122	273	93	621	.290	66	0	0	24	7	62	204
3	Miller, M.	21	41	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	5	0	3	22
4	McDonell, J.	35	81	59	39	163	.123	5	0	0	12	2	17	97
5	Hebert, H.	32	65	0	1	3	-.333	2	0	0	4	0	0	38
7	Baynes, T.	30	105	230	87	527	.271	21	0	0	26	19	116	135
8	DeDecker, K.	35	124	738	222	1743	.296	41	0	0	40	25	83	336
9	Passer, J.	35	124	379	122	837	.307	24	0	0	39	18	128	340
10	Pearman, S.	35	123	353	166	952	.196	45	0	0	22	8	42	448
13	Bauer, B.	34	120	139	44	329	.289	1657	0	0	37	9	96	244
1	Shudlick, S.	31	82	0	2	7	-.286	17	0	0	11	0	0	62
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		35	124	2182	778	5203	.270	1947	0	0	230	88	547	2017
TEAM BLOCKS:		361												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	90	0	3	0	22	0.01	0.02	0.11	1.01	0.00	0.28
2	Fiamengo, T.	122	2	1	13	38	2.24	0.54	0.20	1.67	0.57	0.43
3	Miller, M.	41	0	0	1	9	0.24	1.63	0.12	0.54	0.07	0.24
4	McDonell, J.	81	2	9	2	21	0.73	0.06	0.15	1.20	0.23	0.40
5	Hebert, H.	65	0	4	0	5	0.00	0.03	0.06	0.58	0.00	0.14
7	Baynes, T.	105	5	4	13	56	2.19	0.20	0.25	1.29	1.29	0.70
8	DeDecker, K.	124	2	44	7	91	5.95	0.33	0.32	2.71	0.87	1.15
9	Passer, J.	124	3	11	7	41	3.06	0.19	0.31	2.74	1.18	0.48
10	Pearman, S.	123	3	51	4	70	2.87	0.37	0.18	3.64	0.41	1.02
13	Bauer, B.	120	32	0	15	46	1.16	13.81	0.31	2.03	0.88	0.51
1	Shudlick, S.	82	0	1	0	21	0.00	0.21	0.13	0.76	0.00	0.27
0		0	0	3	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		124	49	131	62	420	17.60	15.70	1.85	16.27	2.91	4.94

As of: December 7, 1996
 #8 Long Beach State
 20 Matches played
 14 Wins, 6 Losses

CONFERENCE CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	19	45	0	1	2	-.500	0	0	0	2	0	0	37
2	Fiamengo, T.	20	71	180	53	397	.320	38	0	0	17	3	45	129
3	Miller, M.	9	21	2	0	5	.400	15	0	0	2	0	0	5
4	McDonnell, J.	20	46	18	18	69	.000	4	0	0	7	0	4	56
6	Hebert, H.	18	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	22
7	Baynes, T.	19	65	145	53	331	.278	13	0	0	17	8	77	79
8	DeDecker, K.	20	71	430	151	1067	.261	28	0	0	22	10	52	206
9	Passer, J.	20	71	227	70	511	.307	19	0	0	24	9	72	209
10	Pearman, S.	20	71	199	95	556	.187	32	0	0	12	4	18	278
13	Bauer, B.	20	71	100	30	232	.302	1011	0	0	18	5	58	146
14	Shudlick, S.	20	52	0	2	5	-.400	8	0	0	6	0	0	40
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		20	71	1301	473	3175	.261	1168	0	0	130	39	326	1207
TEAM BLOCKS:		202												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	45	0	1	0	13	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.82	0.00	0.31
2	Fiamengo, T.	71	1	0	8	18	2.54	0.54	0.24	1.82	0.68	0.37
3	Miller, M.	21	0	0	0	3	0.10	0.71	0.10	0.24	0.00	0.14
4	McDonnell, J.	46	2	4	0	8	0.39	0.09	0.15	1.22	0.09	0.26
6	Hebert, H.	36	0	2	0	5	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.61	0.00	0.19
7	Baynes, T.	65	3	4	8	33	2.23	0.20	0.26	1.22	1.31	0.69
8	DeDecker, K.	71	1	22	2	55	6.06	0.39	0.31	2.90	0.87	1.11
9	Passer, J.	71	2	5	6	25	3.20	0.27	0.34	2.94	1.14	0.51
10	Pearman, S.	71	1	33	2	32	2.80	0.45	0.17	3.92	0.31	0.94
13	Bauer, B.	71	16	0	9	28	1.41	14.24	0.25	2.06	0.89	0.52
14	Shudlick, S.	52	0	1	0	13	0.00	0.15	0.12	0.77	0.00	0.27
0		0	0	2	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		71	26	74	35	233	18.32	16.45	1.83	17.00	2.85	4.82

**University of Minnesota
1996 Volleyball Season Results -- Final**

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Game scores</u>	<u>Location</u>
#10 San Diego State	8/30/96	L 1-3	6-15, 12-15, 15-8, 14-16	San Diego, CA
San Diego	8/31/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 9-15	San Diego, CA
Cal St.-Northridge	8/31/96	W 3-0	15-8, 15-4, 15-13	San Diego, CA
Montana State	9/6/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-13, 15-13	Bozeman, MT
Washington	9/7/96	L 1-3	16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15	Bozeman, MT
Kent State	9/7/96	W 3-1	7-15, 15-6, 15-7, 15-2	Bozeman, MT
#19 Georgia Tech	9/13/96	L 2-3	14-16, 15-9, 15-8, 7-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
Marshall	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-3, 15-12, 15-8	Minneapolis, MN
Arkansas	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-7, 16-14, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Providence	9/20/96	W 3-1	15-7, 14-16, 15-1, 15-4	Chestnut Hill, MS
Dartmouth	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-10, 15-5, 15-5	Chestnut Hill, MS
Bucknell	9/21/96	W 3-0	15-11, 15-4, 15-7	Chestnut Hill, MS
Boston College	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-13, 15-0, 15-2	Chestnut Hill, MS
#2 Penn State *	9/27/96	L 0-3	11-15, 3-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
#8 Ohio State *	9/28/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-13, 15-11	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	10/4/96	W 3-2	14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13	Iowa City, IA
Illinois *	10/5/96	W 3-1	15-8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13	Champaign, IL
#9 Wisconsin *	10/9/96	L 0-3	9-20, 10-19, 10-16	Madison, WI
Michigan *	10/12/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-6, 15-11	Ann Arbor, MI
Indiana *	10/18/96	W 3-1	12-7, 10-11, 16-10, 17-8	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	10/19/96	W 3-1	15-6, 6-15, 15-7, 15-13	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan State *	10/25/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 7-15	East Lansing, MI
Northwestern *	10/26/96	W 3-1	15-7, 15-11, 16-18, 15-6	Evanston, IL
Illinois *	11/1/96	W 3-2	13-15, 15-8, 15-4, 17-19, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	11/2/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-9, 15-4	Minneapolis, MN
#13 Wisconsin *	11/6/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-12, 15-12	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan *	11/8/96	L 0-3	12-15, 7-15, 10-15	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	11/15/96	W 3-1	15-13, 14-16, 15-7, 15-11	West Lafayette, IN
Indiana *	11/16/96	W 3-0	15-9, 15-9, 15-10	Bloomington, IN
Northwestern *	11/22/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-4, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
#9 Michigan State *	11/23/96	L 3-0	4-15, 4-15, 11-15	Minneapolis, MN
#10 Ohio State	11/29/96	W, 3-1	15-12, 8-15, 15-4, 15-1	Columbus, OH
#4 Penn State	11/30/96	L, 3-1	11-15, 15-7, 15-8, 15-3	State Park, PA
Central Florida ##	12/4/96	W, 3-2	8-15, 12-15, 15-12, 15-9, 17-15	Minneapolis, MN
#8 Long Beach State ##	12/7/96	L, 3-0	10-15, 13-15, 6-15	Long Beach, CA

* denotes Big Ten match

NCAA Tournament

Record: Overall 24-11

Big Ten 14-6

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1996 Minnesota Results

AUGUST

31 at Valparaiso W, 10-0

SEPTEMBER

2 at Butler W, 3-1

7 Auburn W, 2-0

8 New Mexico W, 1-0

14 at Portland L, 3-2

15 vs. Washington W, 2-1

20 Wis-Milwaukee W, 1-0

22 at Penn State * L, 3-2

27 Northwestern * W, 1-0

29 Wisconsin * L, 3-1

OCTOBER

6 Minn.-Duluth W, 5-0

11 at Michigan State * W, 2-1

13 at Michigan * W, 4-2

18 Indiana * W, 2-1

20 Ohio State * W, 1-0

25 vs. North Carolina L, 2-0
(at Madison, Wis.)

27 vs. Northern Illinois W, 3-1
(at Madison, Wis.)

NOVEMBER

3 Evansville L, 2-1

8 at Big Ten Championship
(Columbus, Ohio)
vs. Northwestern L, 2-1

17 NCAA Tournament
First Round
at Nebraska L, 3-2 (ot)

* Big Ten Matches

Home matches in bold played at the
St. Paul Campus Soccer Field
(St. Paul, Minn.)



Soccer 1996

The 1996 Season

13-7 Overall

5-2 Big Ten (Third)

Advanced to NCAA Tournament
First Round

1996 SOCCER REVIEW

Minnesota experienced another successful season with a 13-7 overall record and a 5-2 mark in the Big Ten Conference. After some doubt, the Gophers qualified for the NCAA Tournament for the second consecutive year and played one of the greatest games in the history of the tournament against Nebraska in Lincoln, Neb. But the year was not without a number of struggles as the Gophers suffered a number of key injuries early in the year, including season-ending knee injuries to Noelle Papenhausen and 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year Jennifer Walek.

The season started with a bang as the Gophers opened with a 10-0 victory over Valparaiso. In that game, senior Erin Hussey scored a Minnesota and Big Ten record four goals and recorded 10 points, another Big Ten and Minnesota record. For her efforts, Hussey was named Big Ten Player of the Week.

Minnesota won its next four games, including victories over New Mexico and Auburn at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. At 5-0, Minnesota tied its best start in history and earned its first top-ten national ranking at #10 on Sept. 23.

The upstart Gophers then hit the road for a pair of games against nationally-ranked teams at the Portland Classic. Minnesota lost to #3 Portland in a close game, 3-2, but then defeated #18 Washington, 2-1.

After defeating Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Minnesota opened Big Ten play with a road game at Penn State. The Gophers could not get anything started, and Penn State beat the Gophers 3-2 in overtime. Minnesota would have to regroup as it had a big weekend ahead with home matches against Big Ten-rivals Northwestern and Wisconsin.

The Gophers defeated Northwestern, 1-0, in a hard-fought battle, setting up the showdown with Wisconsin, the team Minnesota defeated for the Big Ten title in 1995. A St. Paul Campus Field record 1,427 fans showed up to see Wisconsin defeat the Gophers, 3-1.

Minnesota soon rebounded, winning its next five games, including Big Ten victories against Michigan, Michigan State, Indiana and Ohio State. The Gophers outscored their opponents 14-4 during that stretch and were primed for a big weekend with a matchup against perennial national power #2 North Carolina at the Wisconsin Invitational.

Minnesota played the Tar Heels close but could not get the ball into the net, losing 2-0. The Gophers then defeated Northern Illinois 3-1 as Jennifer McElmury, Erin Hussey and Vanessa Tousek were named to the all-tournament team.

Minnesota closed out the regular season with a shocking loss to Evansville. It was only the third home loss in Minnesota history at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field and was an eerie omen for the rest of the season.

The Gophers entered the Big Ten Tournament as the #3 seed, earning a matchup against Northwestern. After a scoreless first half, the Gophers took a 1-0 lead in the beginning of the second period on a Jennifer McElmury goal. Northwestern answered with 10 minutes to go and then scored again with four minutes remaining, sending Minnesota to its earliest defeat in Big Ten Tournament history.

After some doubt, Minnesota received an invitation to the NCAA Tournament, having to travel to Lincoln, Neb., to play #5 Nebraska in the first round. Nebraska went ahead early, scoring two goals in the first 10 minutes of the game, but Minnesota responded by tying the score at 2-2 at the end of regulation. The two teams played

1996 Soccer Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Exp.	Hometown / High School / College
00	Dana Larson	Fr.	G	5-7	1V	Delaware, OH / R.B. Hayes
1	Teresa O'Hearn	Sr.	G	5-9	4V	Champlin, MN / Anoka
2	Nicole Lee	Fr.	F	5-5	1V	Blaine, MN / Champlin Park
3	Vanessa Touset	So.	D	5-5	2V	Woodbridge, VA / Gar-Field
4	Sarah Conners	Fr.	F/MF	5-4	1V	St. Paul, MN / Hill Murray
5	Kristen Peterson	Fr.	F	5-6	1V	Del Mar, CA / Torrey Pines
6	Michealene Denney	Sr.	D	5-7	3V	Omaha, NE / Marian / N. Carolina
7	Amy Koehler	Fr.	MF	5-7	1V	Maple Grove, MN / Osseo
8	Erika Berghauer	Fr.	F	5-6	SQ	Elm Grove, WI / Catholic Memorial
9	Erin Hussey	Sr.	F	5-5	4V	Plymouth, MN / Wayzata
11	Jaime O'Gara	So.	F	5-8	1V	Omaha, NE / Millard North
12	Erika Kruse	Fr.	MF/D	5-5	1V	Stillwater, MN / Stillwater
13	Kelly Shea	So.	MF	5-6	1V	El Cajon, CA / Valhalla
14	Noelle Papenhausen	So.	D	5-3	RS/1V	Burnsville, MN / Burnsville
15	Corinne Bolder	So.	F	5-3	2V	Dale City, VA / Gar-Field
16	Rose Grimm	Fr.	D	5-3	SQ	Wauwatosa, WI / Rufus King
17	Dorcey Nelson	Fr.	D	5-7	SQ	Minneapolis, MN / Holy Angels
19	Jennifer Walek	Sr.	F	5-4	RS/3V	Lake Elmo, MN / North Saint Paul
20	Allison Johnson	Sr.	D	5-8	4V	Eagan, MN / Eagan
21	Colleen Tierney	So.	F	5-7	SQ/1V	St. Paul, MN / St. Paul Academy
22	Megan Johnson	Fr.	MF	5-6	1V	Rosemount, MN / Rosemount
25	Jamie Wyffels	So.	D	5-4	2V	Coon Rapids, MN / Coon Rapids
27	Jennifer McElmury	Jr.	MF	5-5	3V	White Bear Lake, MN / White Bear Lake

Head Coach: Sue Montagne (4th year)

Assistant Coaches: Barbara Wickstrand, Geno Loida

V - Varsity Letters Earned, SQ - Squad Member in '96, RS - Redshirt in '96

through two 15-minute overtime periods with neither team scoring before Nebraska's Kari Uppinghouse scored the game-winner in the 140th minute to win, 3-2, in what was the longest game in Minnesota soccer history.

THE NCAA TOURNAMENT — Minnesota, in only its fourth year as a soccer program, received its second consecutive NCAA bid after finishing third in the regular-season Big Ten standings. Minnesota was one of five Big Ten teams to make the tournament as Indiana, Wisconsin, Penn State, Minnesota and Northwestern all received bids. The five Big Ten teams mark the most conference teams ever invited to the NCAA Tournament (the previous high was three) and was second in numbers only to the ACC, which sent seven schools to the tournament.

RESULTS FROM THE NCAA TOURNAMENT —

First Round—Wisconsin def. Northwestern 1-0; Penn State def. George Mason, 2-0; Notre Dame def. Indiana 8-1; Nebraska def. Minnesota 3-2 (ot)

Second Round—Notre Dame def. Wisconsin 5-0; Santa Clara def. Penn State 3-1

MINNESOTA IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT —

Minnesota has a 0-2 record in NCAA tournament play after losing to Nebraska, 3-2, in overtime. In 1995, Minnesota lost to Wisconsin, 1-0, in Madison, Wis.

THE BIG TEN CONFERENCE STANDINGS —

Indiana won the Big Ten Conference Tournament and the automatic bid to the NCAA Championships after defeating Wisconsin in the championship game, 1-0. Minnesota finished the regular season in third place in the conference standings. Wisconsin was first followed by Penn State and the Gophers.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

Final

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
1. Wisconsin	5	0	2	15	5	4
2. Penn State	5	1	1	15	5	2
3. Minnesota	5	2	0	13	7	0
4. Michigan	3	3	1	10	7	3
5. Ohio State	3	4	0	14	7	0
Northwestern	3	4	0	13	8	1
7. Indiana	2	5	0	11	11	0
8. Michigan State	0	7	0	3	17	0

THE BIG TEN TOURNAMENT —

First Round—(1) Wisconsin def. (8) Michigan State 1-0; (4) Michigan def. (5) Ohio State 2-1; (7) Indiana def. (2) Penn State 1-0; (6) Northwestern def. (3) Minnesota 2-1

Semifinals—Wisconsin def. Michigan 2-0; Indiana def. Northwestern 2-0

Finals—Indiana def. Wisconsin 1-0

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE — Sue Montagne completed her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 52-24-6 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

McELMURY NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-AMERICAN — Jennifer McElmury was named a second-team all-American by both the NSCAA and Soccer Buzz Magazine. It was the second consecutive year that McElmury earned second-team honors at the midfield position.

McELMURY, HUSSEY, TOUSET EARN ALL-REGION HONORS — Jennifer McElmury was named to the first team of the all-Great Lakes Region squad, while **Vanessa Touset** earned second-team honors and **Erin Hussey** was named to the third team.

McELMURY NAMED BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE YEAR — Junior Jennifer McElmury was named 1996 Big Ten Player of the Year at the annual awards banquet. **McElmury** was also named first-team all-Big Ten, along with senior **Erin Hussey**. **Vanessa Touset** was named to the second team. **McElmury** finished tied for first in the Big Ten in scoring at 35 points, while **Hussey** ranked fourth at 30 points. **Touset** was the anchor of the Minnesota defense which allowed only 25 goals in 20 games this season.

HUSSEY AND TOUSET EARN ALL-BIG TEN HONORS — Erin Hussey and **Vanessa Touset** were named to the all-Big Ten team as **Hussey** was on the first team with **McElmury** and **Touset** was named to the second team.

MINNESOTA IN THE POLLS — Minnesota was ranked in the national polls for the entire season until losing to Northwestern at the Big Ten Tournament in November. The Gophers cracked the top 10 for the first time in program history on September 23, when they were #10. The following is Minnesota's progress in the polls during the season:

Sept. 9	#14
Sept. 16	#14
Sept. 23	#10
Sept. 30	#13
Oct. 7	#18
Oct. 14	#17
Oct. 21	#17
Oct. 28	#14
Nov. 4	#14
Nov. 11	#18
Nov. 18	NR

MINNESOTA RANKS SECOND IN THE REGION IN ATTENDANCE — Minnesota finished the year with 5,074 fans passing through the gates at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field, an average of 564 a match. Minnesota finished second in the region in attendance, trailing only Notre Dame, which was ranked #1 in the nation for most of the year.

GOPHERS SET ATTENDANCE RECORD AGAINST WISCONSIN — A crowd of 1,427 fans attended the Minnesota/Wisconsin battle at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. The mark broke the old attendance record of 726 set against Indiana in 1995.

LAST YEAR COMPARED TO THIS YEAR — Even with the loss of **Jennifer Walek**, the Gophers were right on course with last season's record-breaking year. The Gophers saw a shift in offense versus defense in 1996 compared to last season. Minnesota averaged 3.45 goals a game while giving up 1.11 goals a game with 11 shutouts in 1995. This year, Minnesota averaged 2.30 goals a game while giving up only 1.19 a game and posting seven shutouts.

INJURY REPORT — Minnesota lost three players to season ending injuries. **Jennifer Walek**, the 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year, and **Noelle Papenhausen** both missed the year with ACL injuries. **Jaime O'Gara** was also lost for the season with a stress fracture.

GOALIE SHUFFLE — Minnesota had a changing of the guard in goal as newcomer **Dana Larson** assumed the starting keeper duties midway through the season. **Larson** finished the year with a record of 7-3 in the net. She gave up 12 goals and owned a GAA of 1.21. Senior **Teresa O'Hearn** started the season in goal, starting 10 matches. On the season, **O'Hearn** had a record of 6-4 and a goals against average of 1.17 in 13 matches played.

McELMURY MOVES INTO SECOND ON ALL-TIME SCORING LIST — Jennifer McElmury moved into second place on the Gophers' all-time scoring list, surpassing former Gopher and third-team academic all-America recipient Gretchen Brandt. McElmury has 93 points in her illustrious career. Brandt recorded 79 points while playing for the Gophers from 1993-95. First on the all-time scoring list is Jennifer Walek, who has 142 points for her career.

MOVE OVER AGAIN, GRETCHEN — Erin Hussey moved into third place on the all-time scoring list. Hussey has 83 points in her career, while Gretchen Brandt has 79.

HUSSEY BREAKS BIG TEN RECORD FOR GOALS AND POINTS IN A GAME — Erin Hussey exploded out of the gate this season with four goals and two assists against Valparaiso in the first match of the season. Hussey's four goals and 10 points were new Minnesota and Big Ten records for goals and points scored in a match. For her efforts, Hussey was named Big Ten Player of the Week for September 3.

HUSSEY ADDS TO HER CONSECUTIVE GAMES STREAK — Senior Erin Hussey is the only member of the Minnesota team to have played in every game since the inception of the program, starting all but one of those games. Hussey is the Minnesota career recordholder in games played with 82.

MINNESOTA HAS THREE NAMED ALL-TOURNAMENT AT WISCONSIN INVITATIONAL — Three Minnesota players were named to the all-tournament team at the Wisconsin Invitational as Jennifer McElmury, Erin Hussey and Vanessa Touset, who played stellar defense the entire weekend, garnered honors for the Gophers. McElmury had a goal and an assist while Hussey had an assist for the maroon and gold.

MINNESOTA AT HOME — Minnesota has a storied tradition at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field as it posted a 7-2 record in 1996 and has an overall record of 21-3-3 (.778) in the three-year history of the program at the St. Paul field. Minnesota played its first season at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium and posted a 6-1 record.

HONORS AND AWARDS

1996 Captains

Teresa O'Hearn, Mikki Denney, Allison Johnson, Erin Hussey

NSCAA/UMBRO All-American (Second Team)

Jennifer McElmury

Soccer Buzz Magazine All-American

Jennifer McElmury (second team)

All-Great Lakes Region

Jennifer McElmury (first team)
Vanessa Touset (second team)
Erin Hussey (third team)

1996 Big Ten Player of the Year

Jennifer McElmury

All-Big Ten

Jennifer McElmury, Erin Hussey (first team)
Vanessa Touset (second team)

Big Ten Player of the Week

Erin Hussey (Sept. 3)

Most Valuable Player

Jennifer McElmury

Most Improved Player

Sarah Connors

Hustle Award

Erika Berghauer, Teresa O'Hearn

Unsung Hero Award

Allison Johnson

All-Tournament Team

Wisconsin Invitational all-tournament team:
Jennifer McElmury, Erin Hussey, Vanessa Touset
Portland Classic Offensive Player of the Game:
Jennifer McElmury
Portland Classic Defensive Player of the Game:
Dorcey Nelson

CoSIDA/GTE Academic all-district (second team)

Erin Hussey, Jennifer McElmury

Academic all-Big Ten — Mikki Denney, Erin Hussey, Jennifer McElmury, Kelly Shea

Patty Berg Award Winners — Rose Grimm, Erin Hussey, Erika Kruse, Jennifer McElmury, Noelle Papenhausen, Kelly Shea, Jennifer Walek

"M" Letterwinners — Corinne Bolder, Sarah Connors, Mikki Denney, Erin Hussey, Allison Johnson, Megan Johnson, Amy Koehler, Erika Kruse, Dana Larson, Nicole Lee, Jennifer McElmury, Teresa O'Hearn, Kristen Peterson, Kelly Shea, Vanessa Touset, Jamie Wyffles

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	at Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		NA
Sept. 2	at Butler	W	3-1	2-0		NA
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	at #4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	vs. #14 Washington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*at Penn State	L	3-2 (OT)	6-2	0-1	NA
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W	1-0	7-2	1-1	442
Sept. 28	*#16 Wisconsin	L	3-1	7-3	1-2	1,427
Oct. 6	Minnesota-Duluth	W	5-0	8-3		587
Oct. 11	* at Michigan State	W	2-1	9-3	2-2	88
Oct. 13	* at Michigan	W	4-2	10-3	3-2	347
Oct. 18	* Indiana	W	2-1	11-3	4-2	361
Oct. 20	* Ohio State	W	1-0	12-3	5-2	426
Oct. 25	vs. #2 North Carolina	L	2-0	12-4		N/A
Oct. 27	vs. Northern Illinois	W	3-1	13-4		N/A
Nov. 3	Evansville	L	2-1	13-5		520
Nov. 9	! vs. Northwestern	L	2-1	13-6	5-3	N/A
Nov. 17	^^#5 Nebraska	L	3-2 (ot)	13-7		1,544

*Big Ten Conference match

! Big Ten Conference Tournament

^^ NCAA Tournament

Overall Record: 13-7

Home Record: 7-2

Away Record: 4-2

Neutral Record: 2-3

Overtime Record: 0-3

Big Ten Record: 5-3

Home Record: 3-1

Away Record: 2-1

Goals for: 46

Goals Against: 25

Goals for, first half: 18

Goals for, second half: 28

Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 12

Goals against, second half: 11

Goals against, overtime: 2

Home Attendance: 5074/564 per match

FINAL 1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erika Berghauer	2	0	0	1	0	0
Corinne Bolder	20	19	5	35	3	13
Sarah Conners	16	0	1	11	1	3
Michealene Denney	20	20	1	7	0	2
Rose Grimm	2	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	20	20	10	38	10	30
Allison Johnson	20	20	0	12	1	1
Megan Johnson	20	20	1	16	11	13
Amy Koehler	16	0	1	4	0	2
Erika Kruse	15	0	1	3	0	2
Nicole Lee	20	16	8	37	5	21
Jennifer McElmury	20	20	14	88	7	35
Dorsey Nelson	9	0	0	0	0	0
Jaime O'Gara	3	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	17	1	0	9	0	0
Kelly Shea	20	20	1	11	1	3
Colleen Tierney	9	0	0	6	0	0
Vanessa Touset	20	20	0	8	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	7	1	7
Jamie Wyffels	20	20	0	2	0	0
Totals	20	20	46	296	40	142

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared	W/L
Teresa O'Hearn	13	10	998	13	49	1.17	2	2	6-4
Dana Larson	12	10	895	12	47	1.21	3	2	7-3

Corner Kicks	87
Fouls	180
Penalty Kicks	2/1

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	18	28	0	0	0	0	46
Opponents	12	11	1	0	0	1	25

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1996 Minnesota Results

SEPTEMBER

- 14 Minnesota Triangular**
(St. Paul, Minn.)
2nd (36 points)
- 21 at St. Olaf Invitational**
(Northfield, Minn.)
T-2nd (81 points)
- 28 Roy Griak Invitational**
(St. Paul, Minn.)
10th (272 points)

OCTOBER

- 12 at Auburn, Invitational**
(Auburn, Ala.)
8th (220 points)
- 19 at Iowa State Invitational**
(Ames, Iowa)
2nd (48 points)
- 26 Minnesota Open**
(St. Paul, Minn.)
No team scores

NOVEMBER

- 2 at Big Ten Championships**
(Bloomington, Ind.)
5th (134 points)
- 16 at NCAA Region IV**
Championships
(Champaign, Ill.)
7th (179 points)
- 25 at NCAA Championships**
(Tucson, Ariz.)
No team score

Home meets in **BOLD** at the
Les Bolstad Cross Country
Course in St. Paul, Minn.



Cross Country 1996

The 1996 Season

Big Ten Championship -- Fifth

1996 CROSS COUNTRY REVIEW – In her first season with the Gophers after transferring from Purdue, Minnesota sophomore **Anna Gullingsrud** made an instant impact. **Gullingsrud** led the team in five of the six meets in which she competed and etched her name into the school's record books in the process.

Gullingsrud opened the season by placing first in the team's intrasquad meet at the Les Bolstad Course, but no one was prepared for the sophomore's performance in her first two meets of the regular season.

At the Minnesota Triangular on September 14 against Arkansas and Drake, **Gullingsrud** won the five-kilometer race with a time of 17 minutes, 24 seconds, the fastest time ever run by a Gopher runner on the Les Bolstad Course. Lori Townsend, who graduated in 1996, had set the previous record of 17:33 at the 1995 Nike Invitational. Newcomer **Minna Haronoja** finished fifth in 18:21, and junior **Kari Thompson** was two seconds behind in sixth place. The Gophers finished second in the race with 36 points behind Arkansas' 27.

Two weeks later, **Gullingsrud** improved her Bolstad record by 34 seconds to 16:50 as the Gophers placed 10th at the 23-team Roy Griak Invitational. **Gullingsrud** placed fifth in the meet, fourth among collegiate runners, as Minnesota scored 272 points. Her time was also the fastest ever by a Gopher sophomore and the third-fastest time ever by a Minnesota runner. Providence won the Griak Invitational with 41 points, scoring the top two runners and five in the top 17. For Minnesota, **Thompson** ran 17:57 to finish 40th, **Haronoja** was 60th, senior **Karen Kleindl** 74th and sophomore **Julie Golla** 99th.

Gullingsrud's performances earned her the September Big Ten Cross Country Athlete of the Month award.

Between the two home meets, the Gophers' junior varsity finished in a tie for second at the St. Olaf Invitational. Senior **Janet Howe** led the Gophers with an eighth-place finish, followed by **Danielle Giusti** in 12th place and **Gillian Haro** 13th.

At the Auburn Invitational in Auburn, Ala., Minnesota finished eighth out of 42 teams. **Haronoja** and **Thompson** led the Gophers, finishing 35th and 36th.

The following week, the Gophers finished second at the Iowa State Invitational behind the host Cyclones. **Gullingsrud** ran the course in 17:58 to finish third. **Haronoja** finished 12th in 18:51 and **Thompson** 13th in 18:55. Minnesota finished just 14 points behind Iowa State and defeated a field that included Iowa, Drake and Kansas.

Following the unscored Minnesota Open, the Gophers traveled to Bloomington, Ind., for the Big Ten Championships, where they placed fifth behind Wisconsin, Penn State, Michigan and Michigan State. **Thompson** led the Gophers by finishing 14th with a time of 18:29.3 to earn all-Big Ten honors. **Haronoja** was 21st, flu-stricken **Gullingsrud** 28th, junior **Andrea Lentz** 35th and sophomore **Amy Hoel** 41st. The Gophers tallied 134 points as a team.

Gullingsrud was back in form at the NCAA District IV Championships in Champaign, Ill. She ran the University of Illinois course in 17:33 to finish sixth, leading the Gophers to a seventh-place finish. In the process, Minnesota beat Michigan State after finishing behind the Spartans in the Big Ten meet.

Thompson (30th), **Haronoja** (35th), **Lentz** (52nd) and **Kleindl** (56th) were the Gophers' other scorers, generating a team score of 179.

Gullingsrud qualified for the NCAA Championships on November 25 in Tucson, Ariz. The sophomore finished 71st in the field of 184.

1996 Cross Country Roster

Name	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/College)
Megan Amundson	Fr.	SQ	Grafton, WI (Grafton)
Tiffany Barron	Fr.	SQ	Pelican Rapids, MN (Pelican Rapids)
Beth Cordes	Fr.	SQ	Apple Valley, MN (Rosemount)
Danielle Giusti	So.	SQ	Lake St. Louis, MO (Victor)
Julie Golla	So.	2V	Rochester, MN (John Marshall)
Anna Gullingsrud	So.	1V	Shoreview, MN (Mounds View/Purdue)
Gillian Haro	So.	SQ	Minneapolis, MN (Southwest)
Minna Haronoja	Fr.	1V	Illo, Finland (Vammala Secondary School)
Christie Heikes	Jr.	SQ	Montevideo, MN (Montevideo)
Amy Hoel	So.	2V	Cornell, WI (Cornell)
Janet Howe	Sr.	2V	Siren, WI (Siren)
Genalyn Johnson	Fr.	SQ	Fon du Lac, WI (L.P. Goodrich)
Heidi Johnson	Fr.	SQ	Anchorage, AK (East Anchorage)
Renee Kalmbach	So.	SQ	Bismark, ND (Minot)
Karen Kleindl	Sr.	3V	Graceville, MN (Clinton-Graceville)
Andrea Lentz	Jr.	2V	Willmar, MN (Willmar)
Anne-Marie Marshall	Jr.	SQ	Schofield, WI (D.C. Everest)
Marissa McGill	So.	SQ	Plymouth, MN (Armstrong)
Laurie McGinley	Fr.	SQ	Mauston, WI (Mauston Area)
Daphne Panhuysen	Fr.	RS	Maastricht, Netherlands ('t Stedelyle)
Nikki Rassbach	So.	SQ	Chippewa Falls, WI (Chippewa Falls)
Andrea Swansby	Jr.	SQ	Pewaukee, WI (Kettle Moraine)
Kari Thompson	Jr.	2V	Alexandria, MN (Jefferson)
Keri Zweig	Sr.	3V	Excelsior, MN (Minnetonka)

Head Coach: Gary Wilson

V - Varsity Letters, SQ - Squad Member, RS - Redshirt

HONORS AND AWARDS

Tri-Captains

Karen Kleindl, Bridget Neutgens, Keri Zweig

NCAA Championships Participant

Anna Gullingsrud

All-Big Ten

Kari Thompson

Academic All-Big Ten

Janet Howe, Karen Kleindl, Bridget Neutgens, Keri Zweig, Andrea Lentz, Julie Golla, Amy Hoel

Most Valuable

Anna Gullingsrud

Most Improved

Kari Thompson, Danielle Giusti

Coaches Award

Laurie McGinley

Tough as Nails Award

Andrea Lentz

Blue Collar Award

Karen Kleindl

Frosh of the Year

Minna Haronoja

Patty Berg Award Winners

Tiffany Barron, Danielle Gusti, Minna Haronoja, Christie Heikes, Janet Howe, Genalyn Johnson, Renee Kalmbach, Andrea Lentz, Laurie McGinley, Nikki Rassbach

"M" Letterwinners

Julie Golla, Anna Gullingsrud, Minna Haronoja, Amy Hoel, Janet Howe, Karen Kleindl, Andrea Lentz, Bridget Neutgens, Kari Thompson, Keri Zweig

1996 Cross Country Results

Sept. 14	Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd (36 points)
Sept. 21	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	t-2nd (81 points)
Sept. 28	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)	10th (272 points)
Oct. 12	at Auburn, Invitational (Auburn, AL)	8th (220 points)
Oct. 19	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	2nd (48 points)
Oct. 26	Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)	No team scores
Nov. 2	at Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)	5th (134 points)
Nov. 16	at NCAA Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)	7th (179 points)
Nov. 25	at NCAA Championships (Tucson, AZ)	No team score

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)	20:31 (M171/4th)	DNC	DNC	22:50 (12th)
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)	20:35 (M177/5th)	DNC	DNC	DNC
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)	19:46 (M95/1st)	DNC	DNC	20:33 (8th)
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st/1st)	DNC	16:50 (5th/1st)	DNC	17:58 (3rd/1st)	DNC
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)	19:03 (141st/12th)	18:58.7 (113th/8th)	19:51 (51st/11th)	19:54 (6th)
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC	18:37 (99th/5th)	18:41 (77th/4th)	19:52 (49th/10th)	DNC
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)	18:51 (125th/10th)	19:25.0 (146th/10th)	DNC	18:58 (1st)
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC	18:12 (60th/3rd)	18:11.0 (35th/1st)	18:51 (12th/2nd)	DNC
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNC	20:39 (9th)
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC	18:39 (102nd/6th)	18:48.6 (92nd/6th)	19:21 (31st/8th)	DNC
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)	18:43 (109th/8th)	18:52.7 (110th/7th)	19:18 (29th/7th)	DNC
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC	18:47 (115th/9th)	DNC	DNC	19:13 (2nd)
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)	20:19 (M145/2nd)	DNC	DNC	20:19 (7th)
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)	19:51 (177th/16th)	DNC	DNC	19:49 (4th)
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC	18:20 (74th/4th)	18:23.3 (55th/3rd)	19:02 (16th/4th)	DNC
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC	18:58 (135th/11th)	18:59.9 (116th/9th)	19:07 (22nd/5th)	DNC
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)	20:48 (M201/6th)	DNC	DNC	21:47 (11th)
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	19:50
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC	18:42 (107th/7th)	18:46.5 (89th/5th)	19:39 (44th/9th)	DNC
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)	19:42 (173rd/15th)	DNC	DNC	19:51 (5th)
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)	19:23 (155th/14th)	DNC	DNC	19:39 (3rd)
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC	17:57 (40th/2nd)	18:12.0 (36th/2nd)	18:55 (13th/3rd)	DNC
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC	19:05 (144th/13th)	21:03.0 (256th/11th)	19:15 (25th/6th)	DNC

	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)	NCAA Meet (5,000m)
Anna Gullingsrud	18:53.6 (28th/3rd)	17:33 (6th/1st)	18:50 (71st)
Julie Golla	DNC	19:17 (122nd/7th)	DNC
Minna Haronoja	18:39.1 (21st/2nd)	18:21 (35th/3rd)	DNC
Amy Hoel	19:13.7 (41st/5th)	18:49 (74th/6th)	DNC
Janet Howe	19:26.3 (52nd/7th)	DNC	DNC
Karen Kleindl	19:27.7 (54th/8th)	18:35 (57th/5th)	DNC
Andrea Lentz	19:03.6 (35th/4th)	18:31 (52nd/4th)	DNC
Bidget Neutgens	19:19.9 (48th/6th)	DNC	DNC
Kari Thompson	18:29.3 (14th/1st)	18:18 (30th/2nd)	DNC
Keri Zweig	20:20.7 (79th/9th)	DNC	DNC

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you've been
sing!*

1996-97 Minnesota Results

NOVEMBER

1	at Tar Heel Invitational	
	Unscored	
2	at #16 North Carolina	W
	158-142	
8	at Iowa State	W
	152-145	
9	#23 Penn State	W
	177-118	
16	#11 Nebraska	W
	186-114	
22-24	Minnesota Invite	1st
	1,248 points	

DECEMBER

19	at Hawaii	W
	149-55	

JANUARY

10	#19 Kansas	W
	197-103	
11	Gold Country Invite	1st
	1,037 points	
18	at #14 Northwestern	W
	155-145	
19	at Notre Dame	W
	176-124	
24	Ohio State	W
	178-117	
31-1	#22 Wisconsin	W
	243-105	
31-1	Purdue	W
	243-107	
31-1	#23 Illinois	W
	219-130	

FEBRUARY

8	Iowa	W
	187-106	
14-15	Minnesota Challenge	
	Unscored	
20-22	at Big Ten Champ.	2nd
	608.5 points	

MARCH

20-22	@ NCAA Champ.	13th
	117.5 points	

Home meets in bold at the University Aquatic Center



Swimming & Diving 1996-97

The 1996-97 Season
NCAA Championships – 13th
Big Ten Championships – Second

1996-97 SWIMMING & DIVING REVIEW

One American record. Minnesota's first NCAA women's swimming champion. The second-highest Gopher finish at the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships at 13th. Six swimmers earn 10 all-America honors. Nine swimmers and divers earn 12 honorable mention all-America certificates. An IUPUI pool record set. Ranked among the top 10 teams in seven of the nine coaches polls during the season. A Gopher swimmer sets the Big Ten all-time record in 100-yard breaststroke. Minnesota sets four Big Ten championship records. Gophers win seven events at the Big Ten Conference meet. Minnesota earns 608.5 points to set school record at the Big Ten finale. Six school records set at the conference championships. Gophers have a perfect 15-0 season.

Any two or three of the above highlights from the 1996-97 University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving season would make a year to remember. But by combining all 11 highlights, it makes a great season that won't be forgotten for years to come.

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Eighth-ranked Minnesota finished 13th with 117.5 points at the 1997 NCAA Division I Women's Swimming and Diving Championships at the Indiana Natatorium on the IUPUI campus in Indianapolis. It was the Gophers' sixth top-20 NCAA finish in the 15 years Minnesota has competed at the meet. Other top-20 finishes were 10th in 1992, 15th (1996), 18th (1991), 19th (1995) and 20th (1989).

Southern California won the team title with 406 points, breaking the 14-year strangle hold Stanford and Texas had on the team title, with each team winning seven times. Stanford was second (395), followed by Southern Methodist (353.5), Arizona (351.5), Georgia (312), Michigan (264.5), Auburn (240), Nebraska (174.5), California (148), Texas (146.5) and Tennessee (130).

The Gophers tied their team record for number of points scored at an NCAA meet originally set in 1992, when the Gophers placed 10th with 117.5 points at the University of Texas-Austin. Minnesota scored a clean sweep at the championships, with all 10 Gopher participants earning points toward the team total.

More all-America honors were earned by this year's Minnesota NCAA team than ever before. Six Gophers earned all-America honors in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events, the 200- and 400-yard medley relay events and the 500-yard freestyle. Nine Gophers earned honorable mention all-America status in 1- and 3-meter diving, the 100-yard butterfly, the 200- and 800-yard freestyle relay events and the 1,650-yard freestyle.

Minnesota junior **Gretchen Hegener** set the American record in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:00.32 at the NCAA championships. **Hegener**, by winning the 100-yard breaststroke, became Minnesota's first female NCAA champion in swimming and diving and the school's second NCAA champion overall. Former gymnast Marie Roethlisberger was the Gophers' first NCAA champion, winning the uneven bars at the 1990 championships. Minnesota's first-ever female gold medalist was Chris Curry, when she won the 3-meter diving at the 1982 AIAW Swimming and Diving Championships.

Hegener also set the IUPUI Indiana Natatorium pool record in the 100-yard breaststroke, breaking the 1994 record of 1:00.46 set by Arizona State's Beata

1996-97 Swimming and Diving Roster

Name	Yr.	Event(s)	Exp.	Hometown/High School/College
Shona Baillie	Jr.	Backstroke	3V	Oakville, ON/Canada/Silverthorn/Mission Viejo
Andrea Berg	Sr.	Diving	4V	Issaquah, WA/Liberty
Krissy Berglund	So.	Free/Butterfly	2V	Somerville, NJ/Somerville
Stefanie Bradford	Sr.	Sprint Freestyle	1V	Owatonna, MN/Owatonna
Devon Coellner	Sr.	Freestyle/IM	4V	Salina, KS/Salina South
Jennifer Cook	Sr.	Diving	SQ/3V	Elk River, MN/Elk River
Amy Cottrill	Fr.	Freestyle	1V	Fairport, NY/Fairport
Carolyn Donald	Sr.	Freestyle	SQ	Shoreview, MN/Mounds View
Nicole Fiest	Jr.	Breaststroke/IM	SQ	Mandan, ND/Mandan
Michelle Fischer	So.	Breaststroke	1V	Oshkosh, WI/North/Illinois-Chicago
Jessica Grass	Sr.	Butterfly/IM	4V	Knoxville, TN/Farragut
Kerry Grimord	So.	Sprint Freestyle	SQ	Hales Corners, WI/Whitnall
Libby Haagensen	Fr.	Backstroke	SQ	Madison, WI/West
Carrie Hansen	Sr.	Diving	3V	Lakeville, MN/Rosemount/North Dakota
Gretchen Hegener	Jr.	Breaststroke/IM	3V	Cologne, MN/Mayer Lutheran
Suzie Helvig	Sr.	Sprint Free	4V	Mandan, ND/Mandan
Jenny Hennen	Fr.	Freestyle/Butterfly	1V	Anoka, MN/Anoka
Alicia Hicken	Sr.	Mid-Distance Freestyle	4V	Campbellville, ON, Canada/Silverthorn
Jamie Holden	So.	Sprint Free/Butterfly	SQ	Rochester, MN/John Marshall
Terri Jashinsky	Fr.	Butterfly/Freestyle	1V	Menomonee Falls, WI/Menomonee Falls
Marta Knowles	Fr.	IM/Freestyle	1V	Denver, CO/St. Mary's Academy (Englewood)
Kate McMillan	Fr.	Breaststroke/IM	1V	Palatine, IL/Palatine
Heather Miller	So.	Sprint Freestyle	1V	Willmar, MN/Willmar
Shelby Miller	So.	Diving	1V	Northfield, MN/Northfield
Katie Olson	Fr.	Breaststroke	1V	Eden Prairie, MN/Eden Prairie
Kathleen Preston	Fr.	Freestyle/Backstroke	SQ	Madison, WI/Madison East
Carrie Raeth	Sr.	Sprint Free/Butterfly	4V	Kalispell, MT/Flathead
Briana Rygg	So.	Mid-Distance Freestyle	SQ	Kalispell, MT/Flathead
Tanya Schuh	Sr.	Butterfly	4V	Lake Elmo, MN/Stillwater
Beth Shimanski	So.	Backstroke	2V	Hutchinson, MN/Hutchinson
Jessica Smith	Sr.	Breaststroke	SQ/2V	Portland, OR/Reynolds
Olga Splichalova	Jr.	Distance Freestyle	3V	Znojmo, Czech Republic/Karl Polesny Gymn.
Andrea Toft	Sr.	Backstroke/Freestyle	1V	Minnetonka, MN/Minnetonka
Ashley Wallace	Fr.	Backstroke/Freestyle	SQ	Park Rapids, MN/Park Rapids
Elizabeth Weld	Sr.	Backstroke/Freestyle	1V	Eau Claire, WI/Memorial
Andrea Wheeler	Fr.	Diving	SQ	Burnsville, MN/Burnsville
Kimberly Wilson	Jr.	Distance Freestyle	3V	South Bend, IN/Riley

Head Coach: Jean Freeman

Diving Coach: Kongzheng Li

Assistant Coach: Terry Nieszner

Volunteer Assistant Swimming Coach: Jim Andersen

Volunteer Assistant Diving Coach: Jacqueline Schneider

Student Assistants: Kate Wendt, Wendy Woods, PJ Bogart

Student Manager: Sara Kroetz, Greg Earhart

V - Varsity Letters Earned, SQ - Squad Member in '96-97

Kazuba. **Hegener** earned four all-America honors at the NCAA meet, breaking the Minnesota record of three set by former diver Laurie Nelson at the 1992 championships. **Hegener** earned honors in the 100-yard breaststroke, the 200-yard breaststroke, the 200-yard medley relay and the 400-yard medley relay. She also was an honorable mention all-American in the 200-yard freestyle relay. **Hegener** set the Big Ten Conference record in the 100-yard breaststroke with her time of 1:00.32. She broke the former record of 1:00.47 set in 1993 by Michigan's Lara Hooiveld.

The last four times **Hegener** raced the 100-yard breaststroke, she lowered her time, setting a Minnesota school record each time. In the prelims at the Big Ten championships, **Hegener** broke her existing record of 1:02.03, set last season, with a time of 1:01.63. During the evening finals, she reset it at 1:00.81 to win the event. During the NCAA prelims, **Hegener** reset the mark again at 1:00.75, and then again in the finals with 1:00.32.

Junior **Olga Splichalova** earned her first all-America certificate in the 500-yard freestyle with an eighth-place finish in a time of 4:50.45. She reset her Minnesota school record in the prelims of the event with a time 4:46.95, surpassing her former record of 4:47.02 set at the Big Ten championships.

Junior **Shona Baillie** and senior **Tanya Schuh** were all-Americans in the 200- and 400-yard medley relay team events. First-year team member **Amy Cottrill** also earned all-America status in the 200-yard medley relay, while newcomer **Jenny Hennen** did the same in the longer relay.

1997 NCAA Women's Division I Swimming & Diving Championships Team Results (Indianapolis, Ind.)

1.	Southern California	406
2.	Stanford	395
3.	Southern Methodist	353.5
4.	Arizona	351.5
5.	Georgia	312
6.	Michigan	264.5
7.	Auburn	240
8.	Nebraska	174.5
9.	California	148
10.	Texas	146.5
11.	Tennessee	130
12.	Northwestern	123
13.	Minnesota	117.5
14.	UCLA	104
15.	Miami	85.5

The Gophers at the NCAA's

200-yard freestyle: 13. Minnesota (Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen, Terri Jashinsky, Gretchen Hegener) 1:33.74 (all-America status).

500-yard freestyle: 8. Olga Splichalova 4:50.45 (all-America status). 19. Kimberly Wilson 4:50.03.

50-yard freestyle: 41. (tie) Amy Cottrill 23.53.

1-meter diving: 15. (tie) Carrie Hansen 364.60 (honorable

mention all-American). 17. Andrea Berg 360.95.

400-yard medley relay: 6. Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen 3:41.30 (all-America status).

200-yard medley relay: 7. Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Amy Cottrill 1:42.15 (all-America status; ties Minnesota school record set at 1997 Big Ten championships by the same four swimmers).

100-yard butterfly: 11. Tanya Schuh 55.05 (all-America honorable mention). 30. Terri Jashinsky 55.86.

100-yard breaststroke: 1. Gretchen Hegener 1:00.32 (American record, pool record, school record, all-America status)

3-meter diving: 15. Andrea Berg 456.10 (all-America honorable mention). 23. Carrie Hansen 427.40.

800-yard freestyle relay: 16. Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Olga Splichalova 7:26.01 (all-America honorable mention).

1,650-yard freestyle: 13. Kimberly Wilson 16.28.29 (honorable mention all-American.)

200-yard breaststroke: 6. Gretchen Hegener 2:13.34 (all-American).

Platform diving: 19. Carrie Hansen 285.20. 21. Andrea Berg 277.15.

100-yard freestyle: 36. Jenny Hennen 50.92. 49. Amy Cottrill 51.24.

200-yard butterfly: 31. Terri Jashinsky 2:03.87.

400-yard freestyle relay: 17. Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen, Olga Splichalova, Terri Jashinsky 3: 27.06.

BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Minnesota finished second at the 16th Annual Big Ten Conference Women's Swimming and Diving Championships in Indianapolis. The Gophers scored 608.5 points, its highest total ever and nearly 200 points more than the third-place competitor. It was the eighth time Minnesota has placed second at the championships.

Michigan won its 11th consecutive team title, scoring 708 points and beating the Gophers by 99.5 points, the fourth-closest meet in the championship's history. Wisconsin was third with 412 points and was followed by Northwestern (403.5), Ohio State (394), Illinois (268), Michigan State (211), Indiana (189), Purdue (157.5), Iowa (152) and Penn State (145). Minnesota's previous high score was 605 points, set in 1983, when the team finished third behind Ohio State and Michigan.

The Gophers won seven events over the three days, surpassing the previous mark of five victories at a Big Ten championship, set at the 1984 and 1986 championships. Minnesota also won more individual events, five, than ever before, surpassing the previous mark of four, set at the 1996 championships. Gopher winners were **Olga Splichalova** in the 500-yard freestyle, **Wilson** in the 1650-yard freestyle, **Hegener** in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events and the 200- and 400-yard medley relays, **Tanya Schuh** in the 100-yard butterfly and the 200- and 400-yard medley relays,

Baillie in the 200- and 400-yard medley relays, **Hennen** in the 400-yard medley relay and **Cottrill** in the 200-yard medley relay.

Hegener was named co-Big Ten Swimmer of the Year, sharing the honors with Michigan frosh Shannon Shakespeare. **Hegener** was also named an all-Big Ten selection, as were teammates **Splichalova**, **Baillie**, **Schuh**, **Hennen**, **Cottrill** and **Wilson**. Other conference awards went to Jenny Dixon of Indiana as Diver of the Year, and her coach, Jeff Huber, was named Diving Coach of the Year. Michigan State's Richard Badger was named Swimming Coach of the Year.

Minnesota set four Big Ten championship and six school records during the weekend. Setting records in both categories were **Hegener** in the 100- and 200-yard breast-stroke events and as a member of the 200- and 400-yard medley relay teams. In the 100 breaststroke, **Hegener** had a time of 1:00.81, breaking the previous record of 1:01.63, while finishing at 2:11.60 in the 200 breaststroke, surpassing the old mark of 2:13.74. In the 400-yard medley relay, the team of **Hegener**, **Baillie**, **Schuh** and **Hennen**, set the meet record of 3:41.27, passing the previous time of 3:42.18. **Cottrill** joined **Hegener**, **Baillie** and **Schuh** in setting the 200-yard medley relay record at 1:42.15, passing the previous time of 1:42.40.

Hennen set a Minnesota record in the 100-yard freestyle, breaking the previous record of 50.55, set in 1991 by Stacey Niedenfuer. **Splichalova** reset her own school record in the 500-yard freestyle at 4:47.02, passing her old mark of 4:47.54.

1997 Big Ten Women's Swimming & Diving Results

1.	Michigan	708
2.	Minnesota	608.5
3.	Wisconsin	412
4.	Northwestern	403.5
5.	Ohio State	394
6.	Illinois	268
7.	Michigan State	211
8.	Indiana	189.5
9.	Purdue	157.5
10.	Iowa	152
11.	Penn State	145

GOPHERS UNDEFEATED DURING DUAL MEET SEASON

The Gophers had their fourth undefeated season, finishing 15-0 in all competitions. Minnesota was 13-0 in dual meets, 7-0 against Big Ten opponents and 2-0 in scored invitationals. The previous undefeated seasons were 1994-95, 1976-77 and 1974-75.

The team started the season ranked 15th in College Swim Coaches Association's Oct. 16 pre-season poll. Minnesota opened the season by defeating 16th-ranked North Carolina, Iowa State and No. 23 Penn State. After the trio of wins, Minnesota leaped to 10th in the country in the

Nov. 12 poll. The swimmers and divers went on a seven-meet winning streak while at 10th. They defeated 11th-ranked Nebraska, won the Minnesota Invitational, defeated Hawaii, Kansas, won the Golf Country Invitational, beat 14th-ranked Northwestern and defeated Notre Dame. In the Feb. 22 coaches poll, Minnesota moved into ninth place. While ninth, the Gophers defeated Ohio State, No. 22 Wisconsin, Purdue and 23rd-ranked Illinois.

Minnesota was ranked eighth in the Feb. 5 poll, giving the Gophers their highest ranking ever. Minnesota beat Iowa and won the Minnesota Challenge while eighth but slipped to 10th in the Feb. 19 poll. After the team's strong showing at the Big Ten championships, the Gophers were again ranked eighth in the final poll of the season before the NCAA championships.

POSTSEASON TEAM AWARDS AND HONORS

It came as no surprise that **Hegener** was named most valuable athlete at the swimming and diving team's annual awards banquet in April. For the third consecutive year, **Splichalova** was named hardest worker. **Jessica Grass** and **Beth Shimanski** shared the most improved award. The student-athlete award went to the foursome of **Stefanie Bradford**, **Carrie Hansen**, **Andrea Berg** and **Krissy Berglund**. **Tanya Schuh** received team's prestigious Dorothy Lestina Sheppard award.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Big Ten Suzy Favor Co-Athlete of the Year

Gretchen Hegener
(Shared with Wisconsin's Kathy Butler)

American Record Holder

Gretchen Hegener, 100-yard breaststroke, 1:00.32

NCAA Champion

Gretchen Hegener, 100-yard breaststroke, 1:00.32

All-America

Gretchen Hegener (100- and 200-yard breaststroke, 200- and 400-yard medley relay)
Tanya Schuh (200- and 400-yard medley relay)
Amy Cottrill (200- yard medley relay)
Jenny Hennen (400-yard medley relay)
Shona Baillie (200- and 400-yard medley relay)

Honorable Mention All-America

Andrea Berg (3-meter diving)
Amy Cottrill (200- and 800-yard freestyle relays)
Carrie Hansen (3-meter diving)
Gretchen Hegener (200-yard freestyle relay)
Jenny Hennen (200- and 800-yard freestyle relays)
Terri Jashinsky (200- and 800-yard freestyle relays)
Tanya Schuh (100-yard butterfly)
Olga Splichalova (800-yard freestyle relay)
Kimberly Wilson (1,650-yard freestyle)

Coaches Association Academic All-America

Andrea Berg
Carrie Hansen

Coaches Association Academic Honorable Mention All-American*

Alicia Hicken
Jessica Grass
*pending spring quarter grades

Co-Big Ten Swimmer of the Year

Gretchen Hegener

All-Big Ten

Shona Baillie, Amy Cottrill, Olga Splichalova, Jenny Hennen, Tanya Schuh, Kimberly Wilson, Gretchen Hegener

All-Big Ten Academic Team

Andrea Berg, Devon Coellner, Alicia Hicken, Elizabeth Weld, Krissy Berglund, Carrie Hansen, Carrie Raeth, Kimberly Wilson, Stefanie Bradford, Suzie Helvig, Jessica Smith

Big Ten Athlete of the Month

January - Gretchen Hegener
February - Gretchen Hegener
March - Gretchen Hegener

Minnesota Sports Information Athlete of the Month

November - Gretchen Hegener
January - Gretchen Hegener
February - Gretchen Hegener
March - Gretchen Hegener

Dorothy L. Sheppard Award

Tanya Schuh

1996-97 Tri-captains

Carrie Hansen, Suzie Helvig, Elizabeth Weld

Student-Athlete Award

Andrea Berg, Krissy Berglund, Stefanie Bradford, Carrie Hansen

Most Valuable

Gretchen Hegener

Hard Worker

Olga Splichalova

Most Improved

Jessica Grass, Beth Shimanski

Berg Academic Award Winners

Andrea Berg, Krissy Berglund, Stefanie Bradford, Devon Coellner, Nicole Fiest, Michelle Fischer, Jessica Grass, Carrie Hansen, Suzie Helvig, Alicia Hicken, Marta Knowles, Kate McMillan, Katie Olson, Carrie Raeth, Briana Rygg, Andrea Simakova, Jessica Smith, Kimberly Wilson.

"M" Letterwinners

Shona Baillie, Andrea Berg, Krissy Berglund, Stefanie Bradford, Devon Coellner, Amy Cottrill, Michelle Fischer, Jessica Grass, Carrie Hansen, Gretchen Hegener, Suzie Helvig, Jenny Hennen, Alicia Hicken, Terri Jashinsky, Marta Knowles, Kate McMillan, Heather Miller, Shelby Miller, Katie Olson, Carrie Raeth, Tanya Schuh, Beth Shimanski, Andrea Toft, Elizabeth Weld, Kimberly Wilson.

University of Minnesota 1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 15-0 Dual Record: 13-0 Big Ten: 7-0 Invitationals: 2-0 Big Ten Championships: 2nd NCAA's: 13th

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State	W	#9	178-117
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Wisconsin	W	#9	243-105
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue	W	#9	243-107
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois	W	#9	219-130
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa	W	#8	187-106
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge		#8	Unscored
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Champ.	2nd	#10	608.5 pts.
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Champ.	13th	#8	117.5 pts.
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)

Jenny Hennen	23.54 •
Amy Cottrill	23.60 •
Beth Shimanski	23.98
Terri Jashinsky	24.08
Devon Coellner	24.18

100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.40)

Jenny Hennen	50.40 *•
Amy Cottrill	51.11 •
Terri Jashinsky	52.30
Krissy Berglund	52.51
Suzie Helvig	52.62

200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)

Jenny Hennen	1:48.76 •
Olga Splichalova	1:50.19 •
Alicia Hicken	1:51.22
Amy Cottrill	1:51.80
Terri Jashinsky	1:52.98

500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:46.95!)

Olga Splichalova	4:46.95 !*
Kimberly Wilson	4:50.14 •
Alicia Hicken	4:52.18
Jenny Hennen	4:58.75
Jessica Grass	5:01.59

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

Olga Splichalova	9:50.10
Kimberly Wilson	9:53.84 \$
Alicia Hicken	10:05.60 \$
Jessica Grass	10:19.90
Jenny Hennen	10:21.44

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

Kimberly Wilson	16:19.43 #
Olga Splichalova	16:26.22 •
Alicia Hicken	16:43.81
Elizabeth Weld	17:45.76
Marta Knowles	17:47.14

100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)

Shona Baillie	56.46 •
Beth Shimanski	56.56 •
Carrie Raeth	1:00.30
Marta Knowles	1:00.38
Terri Jashinsky	1:00.56

200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)

Beth Shimanski	2:01.87
Marta Knowles	2:03.70
Kimberly Wilson	2:05.96
Amy Cottrill	2:10.13
Alicia Hicken	2:12.12

100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32^=!)

Gretchen Hegener	1:00.32 ^=!*
Devon Coellner	1:04.18
Kate McMillan	1:04.43
Michelle Fischer	1:05.78
Katie Olson	1:07.04

200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:11.60)

Gretchen Hegener	2:11.60 #>*
Devon Coellner	2:19.87
Kate McMillan	2:20.54
Michelle Fischer	2:21.82
Jessica Smith	2:24.98

100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)

Tanya Schuh	54.86 #
Terry Jashinsky	55.52 •
Carrie Raeth	57.45
Jenny Hennen	57.75
Jessica Grass	58.94

200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)

Jessica Grass	2:02.73 •
Terri Jashinsky	2:02.83 •
Jenny Hennen	2:04.25
Tanya Schuh	2:05.33
Kimberly Wilson	2:07.64

200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)

Gretchen Hegener	2:03.64
Jessica Grass	2:04.82
Devon Coellner	2:05.41
Jenny Hennen	2:06.46
Terri Jashinsky	2:08.72

400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)

Jessica Grass	4:20.29 •
Olga Splichalova	4:21.91 •
Kimberly Wilson	4:25.92
Marta Knowles	4:27.05

200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)

1:33.11• – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Beth Shimanski

400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)

3:24.78• – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Devon Coellner, Beth Shimanski

800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:21.43)

7:21.43• – Jenny Hennen, Alicia Hicken, Amy Cottrill, Olga Splichalova

200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.15)

1:42.15*•> – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Amy Cottrill

400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:41.27)

3:41.27#*•> – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)

Carrie Hansen	272.40 %
Andrea Berg	268.90 %
Jenny Cook	253.73 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	233.25
Andrea Wheeler	173.95

1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)

Carrie Hansen	430.15 %
Andrea Berg	428.75 %
Jenny Cook	351.35
Shelby Evadine Miller	325.70
Andrea Wheeler	213.10

3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)

Carrie Hansen	291.40 %
Andrea Berg	283.65 %
Jenny Cook	272.63 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	254.55
Andrea Wheeler	188.70

3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)

Andrea Berg	516.90 %
Carrie Hansen	469.35 %
Jenny Cook	430.90 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	384.00
Andrea Wheeler	280.10

Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)

Carrie Hansen	325.35 %
Jenny Cook	287.10
Andrea Berg	268.55 @
Andrea Wheeler	264.25

Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

Andrea Berg	436.55 %
Carrie Hansen	480.95 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	224.15

\$Lead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time ^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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1997 Minnesota Results

JANUARY

4	Intrasquad Meet	189.875
11	Best of Minnesota	192.825
	Winona State	179.575
	Hamline	169.450
	Gustavus	168.400
18	at Michigan	192.100
		-193.525
25	Arizona	191.800
		-191.425
31	at Utah State	193.650
		-193.825

FEBRUARY

8	at Iowa State	193.700
		-191.900
15	Utah	195.000
		-195.050
22	at Massachusetts	193.650
	Massachusetts	194.900
	Vermont	181.275
	MIT	176.050

MARCH

1	vs. OSU/IL	194.500
	Ohio State	192.225
	Illinois	188.775
9	at Missouri	193.775
	Missouri	192.925
	Eastern Michigan	191.850
	Iowa	189.800
14	Iowa State	194.850
		-194.725
22	Big Ten Championships (Minneapolis, Minn.)	
	Michigan (1st)	197.150
	Minnesota (2nd)	196.300

APRIL

5	at NCAA Central Regional (Ann Arbor, Mich.)	
	Michigan (1st)	197.700
	Minnesota (4th)	195.125
17-19	at NCAA Championships (Gainesville, Fla.)	
	UCLA (1st)	197.150
	Minnesota (10th)	194.775

Home meets in bold in
the Sports Pavilion
Minnesota team score listed first



Gymnastics 1997

The 1997 Season
NCAA Championships – 10th
Big Ten Championships – Second

1997 GYMNASTICS REVIEW

The 1997 gymnastics season will go down in the record book as the greatest year in the history of the program. The Gophers set a number of school records, had two all-Americans and for the first time in school history qualified as a team for the NCAA Gymnastics Championships.

Minnesota opened the competition season with the Best of Minnesota meet against in-state rivals Winona State, Hamline and Gustavus Adolphus. The Gophers easily won the competition by scoring a 192.825, the seventh-highest team score in history, but also a score they would have to improve upon if they were going to compete with the nation's elite. During the meet, **Mindy Knaeble** started what would be a weekly occurrence as she tied the school record in the floor exercise with a 9.90.

The Gophers met the nation's elite the next week as they traveled to Ann Arbor, Mich., to take on #5-ranked Michigan. The Wolverines handled the Gophers, 193.525-192.100, sending Minnesota back to the gym to refocus on what they had set out to accomplish for the season. **Knaeble** once again etched her name into the Minnesota record books with a school record 9.925 on the floor exercise.

Minnesota returned to form the next week, defeating #12 Arizona in a thrilling meet, 191.800-191.425. The maroon and gold trailed Arizona, 144.025-142.925, going into the final rotation. The Gophers rallied with a 48.875 on the floor, while Arizona suffered three falls on the beam, as Minnesota edged the Wildcats for the victory. Newcomer **Judith Cavazos** won her first all-around competition with a 38.45, which was a sign of many great things to come for **Cavazos** in '97.

Next up was another nationally-ranked team in #11 Utah State Minnesota's third consecutive competition against a Top 25 opponent. Minnesota scored its highest point total thus far in the season with a 193.650, but it was not enough as Utah State pulled it out in the final rotation, posting a 193.825 to escape with the victory.

After a meet in Ames, Iowa, where Minnesota bettered its high team score against Iowa State and broke the school record in the vault with a score of 48.75, the Gophers returned to the Sports Pavilion to face its toughest challenge yet against #2 Utah. In the most exciting meet of the year, Minnesota scored its highest score in team history with a 195.000 and lost by .05, as Utah posted a 195.05. In only her sixth collegiate meet, **Cavazos** put on the performance of a lifetime as she shattered the long-standing all-around school record of Marie Roethlisberger by scoring a 39.300. Along the way, **Cavazos** set personal records in all four events.

The Gophers then hit the road again with a quad meet in Amherst, Mass. Minnesota won three events and **Stacey Batza** tied the school vault record with a 9.90, but the Gophers still lost to UMass 194.900-193.650. Minnesota did defeat Vermont and MIT at the meet.

In a Big Ten championship preview, Minnesota challenged both Illinois and Ohio State at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota defeated both teams with a 194.500 and won three individual titles on the evening. **Cavazos** won the bars with a 9.85, **Cathy Keyser** was first on the beam with a 9.875 and **Knaeble** won the floor with a 9.90.

The Corvette Cup in Columbia, Mo., provided some serious competition for the Gophers. Minnesota posted record team scores on the vault and floor exercise en route to a team score of 193.775. The Gophers posted a 49.125 on the vault and was led by **Kim Sveum**, who set the Minnesota vault record with a 9.925. The Gophers then tied their floor record score of 49.275, including **Mindy Knaeble** and **Jonda Hammons** with 9.90 performances.

1997 Gymnastics Roster

Name	Year	Ht.	Exp.	Hometown / H.S. / Club
Stacey Batza	Jr.	5-2	3V	Oxford, CT /Seymour/C.A.T.S. Gym
Judith Cavazos	Fr.	5-4	1V	Monterrey, Mex. /Mexicana del Noreste/Elite Gym. Acad.
Melissa Chang	Fr.	5-4	SQ	Blue Springs, MO /Blue Springs
Jonda Hammons	Sr.	5-5	4V	Lodi, CA /Lodi/Pantheon School of Gymnastics
Cathy Keyser	So.	5-0	2V	Plymouth, MN /Australian Inst. of Sport
Mindy Knaeble	Jr.	5-5	3V	New Hope, MN /Totino-Grace/Twin City Twisters
Jenny Mazzone	So.	5-0	1V	Sparks, NV /McQueen/Gymnastics Nevada
Mindy Myhre	Jr.	5-2	3V	Mahtomedi, MN /Mahtomedi/Crowley's Gymnastics
Cami Phillippi	Fr.	5-0	SQ	Roseville, MN /Roseville Area
Lacey Purkat	Sr.	5-0	3V	Annandale, VA /W.T. Woodson/Karon's Gymnastics
Kristi Selinger	Fr.	5-3	1V	Aurora, CO /Gateway
Kim Sveum	Jr.	5-3	2V	Minot, ND /Minot/Minot Majic Gym
Molly Umland	Jr.	5-3	3V	Brooklyn Park, MN /Park Center/ Olympic Gymnastics Acad.
Kristen Vandersall	Sr.	5-5	4V	Plymouth, MN /Armstrong/ Northland Gymnastics Academy

Head Coach: Jim Stephenson

Assistant Coaches: Trina Tinti, Meg Stephenson

V - Varsity Letters Earned, SQ - Squad Member in '96-97.

The Gophers returned home to the Sports Pavilion for a meet against #14 Iowa State in their final test before the Big Ten Championships. Minnesota recorded the second-best team score in school history with a score of 194.850. The highlight of the evening occurred in the floor exercise, where Minnesota scored a 49.225 and **Judith Cavazos** set the school floor record with a 9.95, the highest score in school history on any apparatus. One routine later, **Kristen Vandersall** equalled the performance with another 9.95.

The biggest meet of the year for the Gophers at the Sports Pavilion followed, as Minnesota hosted the 1997 Big Ten Championships. Michigan took top honors, winning its sixth consecutive team title with a Big Ten-record score of 197.150, but Minnesota gave the Wolverines all they could handle with a school-record score of 196.350 to finish second. **Knaeble** set a Minnesota record on the beam with a 9.95 to capture a share of the Big Ten balance beam title. Also, head coach **Jim Stephenson** was named Big Ten Coach of Year for the second time in three seasons.

Minnesota's performance at the Big Ten Championships vaulted the Gophers into the NCAA Central Regional Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich. The Gophers got off to a shaky start with a fall on the beam. Things looked bleak for the Gophers when **Cavazos** sprained her ankle on the floor exercise during the second rotation and was lost for the competition, but Minnesota rallied behind the great performances of **Kristi Selinger** and **Melissa Chang** to record a 195.125, the second-highest team score in history, to place fourth. The Gophers' score also qualified them for the 1997 NCAA Championships as the #11 seed.

Minnesota embarked on its first national championship appearance, traveling to Gainesville, Fla., for the NCAA Championships. The Gophers showed they belonged among the nation's elite as they placed 10th with a score of 194.700.

Minnesota's 10th-place finish tied the squad for the highest finish by a Gopher team at a national championship, equaling that of the cross country team in 1983 and the swimming and diving team in 1992. **Knaeble** also made history as she became the first first-team all-American since Marie Roethlisberger in 1990. **Knaeble** scored a 9.85 on the floor exercise during Thursday's preliminaries to advance to the finals on Saturday. During the finals she placed ninth with a score of 9.70. Only able to compete on the bars due to her injured ankle, **Cavazos** also made a strong showing, posting a career-high 9.875 on the bars to earn second-team all-America honors.

1997 Final NCAA Championships Results

Team Results: 1. UCLA 197.150; 2. Arizona State 196.850; 3. Georgia 196.600; 4. Michigan 196.500; 5. Florida 196.425; 6. Nebraska 195.250; (Preliminaries) 7. Utah 196.025; 8. Washington 195.975; 9. Alabama 195.600; 10. Minnesota 194.775; 11. Penn State 194.300; 12. Louisiana State 193.825

All-Around: 1. Kim Arnold, Georgia, 39.550; 2. Meredith Willard, Alabama, 39.500; 3. Leah Brown, Georgia, 39.475; T4. Chrissy Van Fleet, Florida, 39.425; T4. Leah Homma, UCLA, 39.425; 6. Meagan Wright, Arizona State, 39.400

Floor Exercise: 1. Leah Brown, Georgia, 9.95; 2. Elizabeth Reid, Arizona State, 9.90; 2. Kim Arnold, Georgia, 9.90; 4. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.85; 4. Meredith Willard, Alabama, 9.85; 6. Klara Kudlikova, Washington, 9.825; 6. Leslie Angeles, Georgia, 9.825. Other Gophers: 9. Mindy Knaeble 9.70.

Balance Beam: 1. Summer Reid, Utah, 9.90; 1. Elizabeth Reid, Arizona State, 9.90; 3. Meredith Willard, Georgia, 9.85; 3. Traci Sommer, Utah, 9.85; 5. Leah Homma, UCLA, 9.825; 6. Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 9.80

Uneven Bars: 1. Jenni Beathard, Georgia, 9.95; 2. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.90; 2. Stephanie Woods, Alabama, 9.90; 2. Elizabeth Reid, Arizona State, 9.90; 5. Leah Brown, Georgia, 9.85; 6. Angie Leonard, Utah, 9.825; 6. Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.825

Vault: 1. Susan Hines, Florida, 9.8875; 2. Leah Brown, Georgia, 9.8625; 3. Kim Arnold, Georgia, 9.85; 4. Angie Leonard, Utah, 9.825; 5. Lena Degteva, UCLA, 9.8125; 6. Tiffany Simpson, Washington, 9.800

1997 NCAA Central Regional Results

Team results: 1. Michigan 197.70 2. Alabama 196.250 3. LSU 196.175, 4. Minnesota 195.125, 5. Michigan State, 194.700; 6. Iowa State 194.475; 7. SE Missouri 193.450

All-Around: 1. Meredith Willard, Alabama, 39.625; 2. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 39.575; 3. Stephanie Hyett, LSU, Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 39.375, 5. Amy McClosky, LSU, 39.325; 6. Colleen Barger, LSU, Kim Mazza, Iowa State, 39.150.

Balance Beam: 1. Meredith Willard, Alabama, 9.925; 2. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.90; 3. Gwen Spidle, Alabama, Andrea McDonald, Michigan, Amy McClosky, Stephanie Hyett, 9.875. Other Minnesota scores: Stacey Batza, 9.125; Mindy Myhre, 9.60; Judith Cavazos, 9.325; Cathy Keyser, 9.725; Lacey Purkat, 9.725; Mindy Knaeble, 9.75.

Uneven Bars: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.975; 2. Polly Kiker, Michigan State, 9.925; 3. Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, Stephanie Woods, Alabama, 9.90; 5. Kristen Vandersall, Minnesota, Kristen Duff, Michigan, Meredith Willard, Alabama, 9.875. Other Minnesota scores: Melissa Chang 9.675; Jenny Mazzone 9.75; Cathy Keyser 9.825; Molly Umland 9.775;

Vault: 1. Lisa Simes, Michigan, Stephanie Hyett, LSU, 9.95; 3. Kelli Smith, LSU, Merritt Booth, Alabama; Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.925; 6. Kim Sveum, Minnesota, Kate Farrington, SE Missouri, Kristen Peugeot, Michigan State, Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, Heather Kabnick, Michigan, Meredith Willard, Alabama, 9.90. Other Minnesota scores: Melissa Chang 9.725; Molly Umland 9.675; Kristi Selinger 9.70; Mindy Knaeble 9.85; Stacey Batza 9.825.

Floor Exercise: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.975; 2. Hope Spidle, Alabama, Meredith Willard, Alabama, Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.925; 5. Shay Murphy, Alabama, Stephanie Booth, Alabama, Lisa Simes, Michigan, Kim Mazza, Iowa State, 9.90. Other Minnesota scores: Mindy Myhre, 9.70; Kim Sveum, 9.775; Judith Cavazos, No Score; Jonda Hammons, 9.825; Kristen Vandersall, 9.85; Mindy Knaeble, 9.875.

1997 Big Ten Championships Results

Team scores: 1. Michigan 197.150***; 2. Minnesota 196.350; 3. Ohio State 195.825; 4. Michigan State 195.475; 5. Penn State 194.300; 6. Illinois 194.075; 7. Iowa 193.725

All-around: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 39.650; 2. Lisa Simes, Michigan, 39.575; 3. Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 39.475; 4. Jaime Elwell, Michigan State, 39.300; 5. Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 39.275; 6. Briony Lecky, Michigan State, 39.250

Floor Exercise: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.925**; Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.925**; Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.925**; 4. Mindy Knaeble, Minnesota, 9.90; 5. Lori Whitwer, Iowa, 9.875; Lisa Simes, Michigan, 9.875

Balance Beam: 1. Mindy Kneable, Minnesota, 9.950***; Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 9.950***; Lisa Simes, Michigan, 9.950***; 4. Jaime Elwell, Michigan State, 9.925; Kim Berres, Illinois, 9.925; Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.925; Mindy Farmer, Ohio State, 9.925; Nikki Smith, Penn State, 9.925

Uneven Bars: 1. Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.95; 2. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.90; Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 9.90; Ellen Casey, Penn State, 9.90; 5. Judith Cavazos, Minnesota, 9.875; Koyuki, Oka, Ohio State, 9.875

Vault: 1. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.95; 2. Lisa Simes, Michigan 9.925; Kelly Harper, Ohio State, 9.925; 4. Kim Sveum, Minnesota, 9.90; Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.90; 6. Puni Viernes, Illinois, 9.875; Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.875; Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 9.875; Ellen Casey, Penn State, 9.875

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MINNESOTA QUALIFIES FOR NCAA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

— For the first time in the history of the program, the women's gymnastics squad qualified for the team competition at the NCAA Championships. Minnesota earned a wild-card bid and entered the meet as the #11 seed after placing fourth at the 1997 NCAA Central Regional Championships.

KNAEBLE, CAVAZOS NAMED ALL-AMERICANS — **Mindy Knaeble** and **Judith Cavazos** were named all-Americans for the first time in their careers. **Knaeble** earned first-team all-America honors on the floor exercise after placing ninth on the floor exercise at the NCAA Championships. **Cavazos** was named to the second team after scoring a career-best 9.875 on the uneven bars.

KNAEBLE FIRST FIRST-TEAMER SINCE MARIE — **Mindy Knaeble** became the first first-team all-American and individual event qualifier since Marie Roethlisberger did it on the uneven bars in 1990.

HEAD COACH JIM STEPHENSON — Head coach **Jim Stephenson** completed his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota gymnastics program. **Stephenson** was named 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year and was the Big Ten co-coach of the year in 1995. His career record with the Gophers is 73-83, after leading Minnesota to a 23-17 record this season.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Trina Tinti** completed her fifth season as the first assistant coach for the Gophers, while **Meg Stephenson** ended her third season as the second assistant after serving for two years as a volunteer coach.

MINNESOTA CONCLUDES MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR IN HISTORY — Minnesota concluded its most successful year in history with its trip to the NCAA Championships. A recap of the records broken for the 1997 Gophers:

Team Records:

Team score:	196.300	Big Ten Championships (3/22)
Vault:	49.125	Corvette Cup (3/9)
Beam:	49.300	Big Ten Championships (3/22)
Floor:	49.275	Corvette Cup (3/9)

Individual Records:

Vault:	Kim Sveum	9.925
	at Corvette Cup (3/22)	
Beam:	Mindy Knaeble	9.950
	at Big Ten Champ. (3/22)	
Floor:	Kristen Vandersall	9.950
	vs. Iowa State (3/14)	
	Judith Cavazos, 9.95	
	vs. Iowa State (3/14)	
All Around:	Judith Cavazos	39.300
	vs. Utah (2/15)	

MINNESOTA SETS TEAM RECORD AT BIG TEN'S — Minnesota set a team record with a 196.350 to finish second at the Big Ten Championships. The 196.350 shattered the old mark of 195.000 set against Utah earlier in '97.

KNAEBLE WINS BIG TEN BEAM TITLE — Junior **Mindy Knaeble** became Minnesota's first Big Ten champion on the beam since **Kathy Ness** in 1991. **Knaeble** posted a 9.95 on the event to tie Michigan's Beth **Amelkovich** and Lisa Simes for the title. **Knaeble** broke the Minnesota record of 9.925 set by **Cathy Keyser** in '96, and tied the highest score ever recorded in Minnesota school history. For her efforts, **Knaeble** earned all-Big Ten honors, for the second time in her career. She was named all-Big Ten in 1996 after winning a share of the floor exercise title.

STEPHENSON NAMED BIG TEN COACH OF THE YEAR — Minnesota's **Jim Stephenson** was named the 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year. It was the second time in three years **Stephenson** won the honor. In '97, **Stephenson** led Minnesota to a second-place finish at the Big Ten meet as Minnesota posted its highest score in history. In 1995, **Stephenson** shared the same award with Michigan's Bev Plocki.

MORE RECORDS BROKEN AT BIG TEN'S — Minnesota had an outstanding Big Ten meet as it set a new team and beam record. Minnesota scored a 196.350, breaking its old record of 195.000 set against Utah earlier this season. Minnesota had struggled all year on the beam but received outstanding performances from **Mindy Knaeble**, **Kristi Selinger**, **Cami Phillippi**, **Cathy Keyser**, **Lacey Purkat** and **Judith Cavazos** to set a new Minnesota and Big Ten record of 49.300, breaking the old school record of 48.975 set at Southeast Missouri in 1996. **Selinger** recorded a career-high of 9.875, tying for her for #3 in Minnesota history, in only her second time competing in the event. **Purkat** also set a career-high with a 9.875, followed by **Phillippi** who posted a 9.775. **Phillippi**, who had only competed on the beam only one time prior to the Big Ten meet, had a 9.775.

CAVAZOS AND VANDERSALL SHARE NEW FLOOR RECORD — The Minnesota school record on floor exercise was broken not once but twice in the Gophers' win over Iowa State on March 14. **Judith Cavazos** tallied a 9.950 to break **Mindy Knaeble's** former record of 9.925. One performance later, senior **Vandersall** equaled **Cavazos'** 9.950 to grab her share of the record.

KNAEBLE SOLID ON THE FLOOR — In 12 of 14 performances this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble** has scored a 9.600 or better in 24 of her last 25 performances and holds nine of the top ten scores in Gopher floor exercise history.

MORE ON THE FLOOR — **Mindy Knaeble** isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota recorded eight of the top ten scores in school history in the event, including tying the school record with a team score of 49.275 against Missouri on March 9. Competing with the

same rotation on floor throughout '97 until the national meet, all six Gopher gymnasts had equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including the school record of 9.95 shared by **Judith Cavazos** and **Kristen Vandersall**. **Knaeble**, the previous record holder with a 9.925, and senior **Jonda Hammons** with a 9.900 added an explosive scoring punch to the Gophers' floor team. **Knaeble, Vandersall, Cavazos** and **Hammons** have combined to produce 29 of Minnesota's 30 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only Lori Kindler, who scored a 9.900 on Feb. 5, 1994, was not a member of the '96-97 team.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS — In 12 meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** earned five all-around victories, but no one was ready for what she did against #2 Utah. Competing against Utah's Traci Sommer and Denise Jones, ranked ninth and 19th nationally, respectively, in the all-around, **Cavazos** broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3 en route to winning the event. Sommer scored 39.1 and Jones had 39.025. **Cavazos** also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.875 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. **In all, Cavazos** has recorded five of the top ten all-around scores in Minnesota history.

SVEUM SETS VAULT RECORD — Juniors **Kim Sveum** and **Stacey Batza** have a lot in common. **Sveum** set the vault record twice last season, posting scores of 9.90. **Batza** then tied the record against UMass earlier this year before **Sveum** set the new standard with a 9.925 on March 9 at Missouri. Together the pair own 13 of the top 15 vault scores in school history.

MINNESOTA AND THE RANKINGS — Minnesota started the year ranked #23 in the national rankings. By the end of the season, the Gophers surprised everyone by finishing in the top 10 of the nation for the first time in history.

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| 1. UCLA | 16. Iowa State |
| 2. Arizona State | 17. BYU |
| 3. Georgia | 18. Stanford |
| 4. Michigan | 19. Arizona |
| 5. Florida | 20. Ohio State |
| 6. Nebraska | Kent |
| 7. Utah | 22. Utah State |
| 8. Washington | 23. Southeast Missouri |
| 9. Alabama | 24. West Virginia |
| 10. Minnesota | 25. California |
| 11. Penn State | |
| 12. Louisiana State | |
| 13. Oregon State | |
| 14. Boise State | |
| 15. Michigan State | |

Week	Team	Floor	Beam	Bars	Vault
Preseason	23rd	—	—	—	—
Jan. 14	8th	2nd	13th	12th	12th
Jan. 21	19th	3rd	—	—	20th
Jan. 28	16th	3rd	—	—	—
Feb. 4	16th	2nd	—	—	—
Feb. 11	16th	4th	—	20th	—
Feb. 18	15th	4th	—	18th	—
Feb. 25	15th	5th	24th	16th	—
March 4	16th	6th	—	14th	—
March 11	20th	7th	—	16th	—
March 19	20th	6th	—	16th	23rd
March 25	21st	8th	—	16th	22nd
April 8	11th				
Final	10th				

HONORS AND AWARDS

NCAA Individual Qualifier
Mindy Knaeble (floor)

All-America (First Team)
Mindy Knaeble (floor)

All-America (Second Team)
Judith Cavazos (bars)

Big Ten Co-Champion
Mindy Knaeble (beam)

All-Big Ten
Mindy Knaeble

Big Ten Coach of the Year
Jim Stephenson

Most Valuable Athlete
Mindy Knaeble

Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month
Mindy Knaeble (April)

1996-97 Captains
Jonda Hammons, Kristen Vandersall

Academic all-Big Ten — Jonda Hammons, Jenny Mazzone, Mindy Myhre, Lacey Purkat, Kristen Vandersall

Patty Berg Award Winners — Melissa Chang, Jonda Hammons, Mindy Knaeble, Jenny Mazzone, Lacey Purkat, Kristi Selinger, Kim Sveum, Kristen Vandersall

"M" Letterwinners — Stacey Batza, Judith Cavazos, Jonda Hammons, Cathy Keyser, Mindy Knaeble, Jenny Mazzone, Mindy Myhre, Lacey Purkat, Kristi Selinger, Kim Sveum, Molly Umland, Kristen Vandersall

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/21--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
#20 UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- OSU/IL	194.500		48.150		48.650		48.475		49.225	
Ohio State		192.225		48.475		47.000		48.375		48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri	193.775		49.125		48.775		46.600		49.275	
Missouri		192.925		48.600		47.250		48.625		48.450
Eastern Michigan		191.850		48.050		48.150		47.325		48.325
Iowa		189.800		47.775		48.400		45.900		47.725
3/14--#14 Iowa State	194.850	194.725	48.900	48.575	48.925	48.250	47.800	48.875	49.225	49.025
3/22--Big Ten Champ.	196.350		49.075		49.000		49.300		48.975	
Michigan		197.150		49.500		49.300		48.875		49.475
Ohio State		195.825		48.975		49.125		48.875		48.850
Michigan State		195.475		49.025		48.125		49.300		49.025
Penn State		194.300		48.600		48.775		48.700		48.225
Illinois		194.075		48.450		48.250		48.750		48.625
Iowa		193.725		48.075		48.350		48.550		48.750
4/5--NCAA Region	195.125		49.000		48.975		48.125		49.025	
Michigan		197.700		49.550		49.450		49.200		49.500
Alabama		196.250		49.175		48.525		49.025		49.525
LSU		196.175		49.275		49.000		49.225		48.675
Michigan State		194.700		48.975		48.150		48.625		48.950
Iowa State		194.475		48.325		48.375		48.725		49.050
SE Missouri		193.450		48.800		48.075		47.900		48.675
4/17 NCAA Champ.	194.775		48.625		48.975		48.450		48.725	
UCLA		197.150		49.300		49.525		49.200		49.125
Arizona State		196.850		49.300		49.125		49.275		49.150
Georgia		196.600		49.650		49.625		48.125		49.200
Michigan		196.500		49.425		49.425		48.75		48.875
Florida		196.425		49.325		48.900		49.225		48.975
Nebraska		195.250		48.825		49.225		48.550		48.650
Utah		196.025		49.025		49.075		49.250		48.675
Washington		195.975		49.175		49.025		48.725		49.050
Alabama		195.600		49.125		49.225		48.325		48.925
Penn State		194.300		48.800		48.575		48.325		48.600
Louisiana State		193.825		48.650		47.875		48.850		48.450

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

VAULT	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
1/11														
Best of MN	9.675	9.475				9.675					9.500	9.775	9.375	
1/18														
at Michigan	9.750	9.575				9.675					9.550	9.625	9.600	
1/25														
Arizona	9.650	9.300				9.625					9.450	9.700	9.350	
1/31														
at Utah State	9.625	9.675				9.700					9.625	9.250	9.650	
2/8														
at Iowa State	9.800	9.675				9.750					9.750	9.750	9.700	
2/15														
Utah	9.675	9.725				9.650					9.700	9.800	9.575	
2/21														
at UMass	9.900	9.100				9.800					9.575	9.75	9.650	
3/1														
OSU, Ill.	9.575	9.675				9.650					9.525	9.725	9.475	
3/9														
at Missouri	9.875	9.850				9.725					9.800	9.925	9.675	
3/14														
Iowa State	9.750	9.800				9.800					9.700	9.825	9.725	
3/22														
Big Ten Champ.	9.850	9.825				9.775					9.725	9.900	9.650	
4/5														
at NCAA Region1	9.825		9.725			9.850					9.700	9.900	9.675	
4/17														
at NCAA Champ.	9.800		9.550			9.650					9.700	9.825	9.650	
4/18														
at NCAA Champ.														
4/19														
at NCAA Champ.														
Season # of scores	13	11	2	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	13	13	0
Season cumulative	126.700	105.675	19.275			123.325					125.300	126.75	124.750	
Season average	9.746	9.607	9.637			9.717					9.638	9.750	9.596	
Career # of scores	35	11	2	24	0	37	0	1	0	2	13	34	36	12
Career cumulative	337.875	105.675	19.275	227.700		357.70		8.250		18.075	125.300	329.25	341.525	109.425
Career average	9.653	9.607	9.637	9.488		9.667		8.250		9.038	9.638	9.683	9.486	9.119

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

BEAM	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
1/11														
Best of MN	9.475	9.425			9.350	9.750		9.150		9.700				
1/18														
at Michigan	9.275	9.675			9.700	9.200		9.500		9.225				
1/25														
Arizona	9.675	9.600			9.175	9.750	8.950			9.775				
1/31														
at Utah State	9.650	9.625			9.625	9.700		9.550		9.500				
2/8														
at Iowa State	8.675	9.225			9.750	9.850		9.125		9.750				
2/15														
Utah	9.175	9.850			9.825	9.875		9.325		9.550				
2/21														
at UMass	9.550	9.200			9.650	9.175		8.950		9.800				
3/1														
OSU, Ill.	9.250	9.800			9.875	9.775	9.300			9.725				
3/9														
at Missouri	8.875	9.100	8.950		9.700	9.225				9.700				
3/14														
Iowa State		9.300			9.750	9.825			9.175	9.200	9.725			
3/22														
Big Ten Champ.		9.350			9.825	9.950			9.775	9.875	9.875			
4/5														
at Regionals	9.125	9.325			9.725	9.750		9.600		9.725				
4/17														
at NCAA Champ.	9.650				9.750	9.775		9.400		9.750	9.525			
4/18														
at NCAA Champ.														
4/19														
at NCAA Champ.														
Season # of scores	11	12	1	0	13	13	2	8	2	13	3	0	0	0
Season cumulative	102.375	113.475	8.950		125.700	125.600	18.250	74.600	18.95	125.275	29.125			
Season average	9.306	9.456	8.950		9.669	9.651	9.125	9.325	9.475	9.636	9.708			
Career # of scores	32	12	1	21	26	37	2	18	2	38	3	6	0	0
Career cumulative	300.400	113.475	8.950	196.875	250.800	356.850	18.250	168.525	18.95	363.575	29.125	54.775		
Career average	9.387	9.456	8.950	9.375	9.646	9.644	9.125	9.362	9.475	9.567	9.708	9.129		

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

BARS	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
1/11														
Best of MN		9.050	8.050		9.700					9.700			9.600	9.775
1/18														
at Michigan		9.825			8.600		9.425			9.550			9.650	9.100
1/25														
Arizona		9.700			8.775		9.600			9.600			9.500	8.550
1/31														
at Utah State		9.800			9.625		9.550			9.525			9.600	9.050
2/8														
at Iowa State		9.800			9.700		9.450			9.625			9.700	9.800
2/15														
Utah		9.850			9.775		9.700			9.675			9.725	9.750
2/21														
at UMass		9.800			9.725		9.700			9.650			9.725	9.750
3/1														
OSU, Ill.		9.850	9.575		9.775					9.625			9.575	9.825
3/9														
at Missouri		9.875	9.650		9.725					9.675			9.675	9.825
3/14														
Iowa State		9.875	9.625		9.850					9.700			9.275	9.875
3/22														
Big Ten Champ.		9.875			9.800		9.600			9.675			9.800	9.850
4/5														
at Regionals			9.675		9.825		9.750			9.750			9.775	9.875
4/17														
at NCAA Champ.		9.875			9.800		9.700			9.750			9.675	9.850
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at NCAA Champ.														
4/19														
at NCAA Champ.														
Season # of scores	0	12	5	0	13	0	9	0	0	13	0	0	13	13
Season cumulative		117.175	46.575		124.675		86.475			125.50			125.275	124.875
Season average		9.764	9.315		9.590		9.608			9.653			9.636	9.605
Career # of scores	10	12	5	0	26	12	9	0	0	36	0	4	36	48
Career cumulative	91.000	117.175	46.575		249.85	111.875	86.475			338.725		37.525	344.350	468.600
Career average	9.100	9.764	9.315		9.609	9.323	9.608			9.409		9.381	9.565	9.762

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

FLOOR	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
1/11														
Best of MN		9.825		9.875		9.900		9.575				9.750		9.850
1/18														
at Michigan		9.775		9.750		9.925		9.625				9.675		9.825
1/25														
Arizona		9.850		9.825		9.900		9.150				9.425		9.875
1/31														
at Utah State		9.775		9.800		9.875		9.800				9.675		9.875
2/8														
at Iowa State		9.800		9.325		9.825		9.500				9.675		9.825
2/15														
Utah		9.875		9.850		9.850		9.775				9.450		9.875
2/21														
at UMass		9.725		9.800		9.900		9.550				9.600		9.875
3/1														
OSU, Ill.		9.800		9.875		9.900		9.800				9.725		9.850
3/9														
at Missouri		9.800		9.900		9.900		9.800				9.775		9.875
3/14														
Iowa State		9.950		9.800		9.425		9.725				9.800		9.950
3/22														
Big Ten Champ.		9.625		9.825		9.900		9.725				9.725		9.800
4/5														
at Regionals		8.750		9.825		9.875		9.700				9.775		9.850
4/17														
at NCAA Champ.				9.700		9.850		9.725				9.700		9.750
4/18														
at NCAA Champ.														
4/19														
at NCAA Champ.						9.700								
Season # of scores	0	12	0	13	0	14	0	13	0	0	0	13	0	13
Season cumulative		116.550		127.150		137.725		125.450				125.75		128.075
Season average		9.712		9.780		9.837		9.650				9.673		9.851
Career # of scores	7	11	0	47	13	38	0	34	0	14	0	29	0	49
Career cumulative	65.950	116.550		456.125	122.500	369.645		322.825		131.550		279.850		473.425
Career average	9.421	9.712		9.704	9.423	9.727		9.494		9.396		9.650		9.660

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

ALL-AROUND	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
1/11														
Best of MN		37.775												
1/18														
at Michigan		38.850												
1/25														
Arizona		38.450												
1/31														
at Utah State		38.875												
2/8														
at Iowa State		38.500												
2/15														
Utah		39.300												
2/21														
at UMass		37.825												
3/1														
OSU, Ill.		39.125												
3/9														
at Missouri		38.625												
3/14														
Iowa State		38.925												
3/22														
Big Ten Champ.		38.675												
4/5														
at Regionals		DNF												
4/17														
at NCAA Champ.														
4/18														
at NCAA Champ.														
4/19														
at NCAA Champ.														
Season # of scores	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Season cumulative		424.925												
Season average		38.629												
Career # of scores	7	11	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0
Career cumulative	262.400	424.925				460.850				75.150		113.500		
Career average	37.486	38.629				38.404				37.575		37.833		

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.900	9.850	9.725			9.850					9.800	9.925	9.725	
Season Average	9.746	9.607	9.637			9.717					9.638	9.750	9.596	
Career Best	9.900	9.850	9.725	9.725		9.850		8.250		9.125	9.800	9.925	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.653	9.607	9.637	9.488		9.667		8.250		9.038	9.638	9.683	9.486	9.119
BARS														
Season Best		9.875	9.675		9.850		9.750			9.750			9.800	9.875
Season Average		9.764	9.315		9.590		9.608			9.653			9.636	9.605
Career Best	9.575	9.875	9.675		9.900	9.800	9.750			9.775		9.500	9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.764	9.315		9.609	9.323	9.608			9.409		9.381	9.565	9.762
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.850	8.950		9.875	9.950	9.300	9.600	9.775	9.875	9.875			
Season Average	9.306	9.456	8.950		9.669	9.651	9.125	9.325	9.475	9.636	9.708			
Career Best	9.825	9.850	8.950	9.725	9.925	9.950	9.300	9.775	9.775	9.875	9.875	9.775		
Career Average	9.387	9.456	8.950	9.375	9.646	9.644	9.125	9.362	9.475	9.567	9.708	9.129		
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.950		9.900		9.925		9.800				9.800		9.950
Season Average		9.712		9.780		9.837		9.650				9.673		9.851
Career Best	9.600	9.950		9.900	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.950
Career Average	9.421	9.712		9.704	9.423	9.727		9.494		9.396		9.650		9.660
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		39.300												
Season Average		38.629												
Career Best	38.275	39.300				39.075				37.900		38.375		
Career Average	37.486	38.629				38.404				37.575		37.833		

1997 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.925*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.875	Three times (Last at Big Ten's 3/22)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.875	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.950*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Judith Cavazos	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)

TEAM VAULT	49.125*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	49.000	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	49.300*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	49.275**	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	196.350*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)

*-school record

** ties school record

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1996-97 Minnesota Results

NOVEMBER

22	at W. Illinois (Macomb, Ill.)	L, 70-61
24	Iowa State *	L, 73-69
30	Dial Soap Classic Wyoming	W, 68-66

DECEMBER

1	Dial Soap Classic vs. James Madison	L, 64-56
3	at Colorado State (Ft. Collins, Col.)	L, 78-60
6	Marquette *	L, 75-62
15	at UW-Green Bay (Green Bay, Wis.)	L, 66-63
19	at UNLV Tournament (Las Vegas, Nev.) Stephen F. Austin	L, 80-63
20	at UNLV Tournament vs. Fairfield	W, 74-68
28	Iowa *	L, 61-48
30	Michigan *	L, 82-63

JANUARY

3	at Indiana * (Bloomington, Ind.)	L, 67-61
7	at Nebraska (Lincoln, Neb.)	L, 68-47
10	Illinois *	L, 89-85 ot
12	Michigan State *	L, 76-65
17	at Ohio State * (Columbus, Ohio)	L, 84-61
19	Northwestern *	L, 91-84
24	at Penn State * (State College, Pa.)	L, 83-62
26	at Wisconsin * (Madison, Wis.)	L, 84-57
31	Purdue *	L, 82-64

FEBRUARY

2	Ohio State *	W, 66-64
7	at Michigan State * (East Lansing, Mich.)	L, 102-51
9	at Illinois * (Champaign, Ill.)	L, 95-76
16	Indiana *	L, 103-75
21	at Michigan * (Ann Arbor, Mich.)	L, 107-75
23	at Iowa * (Iowa City, Ia.)	L, 78-42
28	at Big Ten Tournament (Indianapolis, Ind.) Wisconsin	W, 80-75

MARCH

1	at Big Ten Tournament Illinois	L, 98-76
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* Big Ten games

Home games in bold and played in the Sports Pavilion.



Basketball 1996-97

The 1996-97 Season

4-24 Overall

1-15 Big Ten (11th)

1996-97 BASKETBALL REVIEW

The 1996-97 season was a struggle for the Gophers, but one thing that showed through all of the tough times was the "Never Give Up" attitude displayed by this team. And that attitude was never more apparent than at the 1997 Big Ten Tournament, where the Gophers pulled off the shock of the championship by beating Wisconsin in the first round, 80-75. It was something that will not be forgotten and, more importantly, something to build on for next season.

The Gophers finished the year with a 4-24 record and a 1-15 conference mark while struggling with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost **Cheri Stafford**, **Swantreca Taylor** and **Sarah Schieber** before the year even began to season- or career-ending injuries. But the Gophers plodded on with only eight players, opening the season on the road at Western Illinois. Minnesota lost a tough game, 70-61, and **Angie Iverson** opened the year with the first of her 19 double-doubles on the season. The Gophers returned home and lost a close game to Iowa State, who many had ranked in the Top 30 in the nation, by a score of 77-73. Minnesota then hosted the Dial Soap Basketball Classic, where it defeated Wyoming in the first round, but lost to James Madison in the championship game.

The Gophers lost the next four games, falling to Colorado State, Marquette, Wisconsin-Green Bay and #23 Stephen F. Austin. Although the Gophers lost to Colorado State, **Angie Iverson** made history as she pulled down 25 rebounds setting the Minnesota single-game record and tying the Big Ten mark. Her 25 rebounds were also the highest total in the nation in 1996-97.

Trying to get back on track, the Gophers opened Big Ten play with 11 straight losses before defeating Ohio State, 66-64, at the Sports Pavilion. The victory ended Minnesota's streak of 32 straight Big Ten losses, a record for any sport in conference history. Minnesota then limped home for the remainder of the Big Ten season with five more losses before heading to Indianapolis as the 11th seed for the Big Ten Tournament.

Minnesota was trying to defy all odds, having never won a game in the Big Ten Tournament and slated to play nationally-ranked Wisconsin. Minnesota played inspired basketball and defeated the Badgers, 80-75, to earn a game against Big Ten co-champion Illinois. The Gophers played tough, but Illinois had too many guns and beat Minnesota, 98-76, ending a difficult season for the maroon and gold.

After the season concluded, head coach **Linda Hill-MacDonald** resigned on March 7 and was soon replaced with **Cheryl Littlejohn**. Littlejohn was hired as the seventh head coach in Minnesota history on April 10, after serving as the #1 assistant at Alabama for the past three seasons.

THE HEAD COACH — **Linda Hill-MacDonald** finished her seventh season with the Gophers, compiling a 66-126 record at Minnesota. **Hill-MacDonald** led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American Carol Ann Shudlick. For her career, **Hill-MacDonald** has a record of 232-256 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

1996-97 Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Exp.	Hometown / High School
10	Swantreca Taylor	G	Jr.	5-7	RS/2V	Donaldsonville, La. / Como Park (MN)
12	Mindy Hansen	G	So.	5-9	2V	Chaska, Minn. / Chaska
14	Sarah Schieber	G	Jr.	5-11	RS	Caledonia, Minn. / Caledonia
15	Jaime Ellis	G	Jr.	5-9	3V	Lake Oswego, Ore. / Lake Oswego
21	Sonja Robinson	F	So.	5-10	2V	Scottsdale, Ariz. / Chaparral
22	Stephanie Strommen	G	So.	5-8	SQ	Bloomington, Minn. / Kennedy
23	Kiauna Burns	G	Fr.	5-7	1V	Litchfield, Minn. / Litchfield
24	Margaret Blom	C	Fr.	6-1	SQ	Milwaukee, Wis. / Rufus King
25	Sy Nonginthirath	G	Sr.	5-5	SQ	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt Coll.
32	Lynda Hass	F	So.	6-1	2V	St. Francis, Minn. / St. Francis
33	Teresa O'Hearn	F	Jr.	6-0	SQ	Champlin, Minn. / Anoka
35	Andrea Seago	C	Fr.	6-3	1V	Cherry Valley, Ill. / Rockford Guilford
45	Sarah Klun	F	So.	6-0	1V	Madison, Wis. / LaFollette
53	Angie Iverson	F	Jr.	6-0	3V	Owatonna, Minn. / Owatonna

Head Coach: Linda Hill-MacDonald (7th season)

Assistant Coaches: Treka McMillian, Crystal Flint, Cara Pearson

V - Varsity Letters Earned, SQ - Squad Member, RS - Redshirt in '96-97

FINAL BIG TEN STANDINGS — Purdue, Michigan State and Illinois shared the regular season title, with Iowa winning its first Big Ten tournament. The final Big Ten standings:

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Illinois	12	4	.750	24	8	.750
Michigan State	12	4	.750	22	8	.733
Purdue	12	4	.750	17	11	.607
Northwestern	9	7	.563	17	11	.607
Iowa	9	7	.563	18	12	.600
Wisconsin	8	8	.500	16	11	.593
Penn State	8	8	.500	15	12	.556
Michigan	7	9	.438	15	11	.577
Indiana	7	9	.438	16	13	.552
Ohio State	3	13	.188	12	16	.429
Minnesota	1	15	.063	4	24	.143

THE BIG TEN IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT — The Big Ten had five teams earn bids into the NCAA tournament field, with Illinois going the farthest of all the teams. Illinois advanced to the third round before falling to UConn.

East Regional—(8) Michigan State def. (9) Portland 75-70; (8) Michigan State lost to (1) North Carolina 81-71 (ot); (12) Northwestern lost to (5) George Washington 61-46

Midwest Regional—(8) Purdue def. (9) Maryland 74-48; (8) Purdue lost to (1) Old Dominion 69-65

Midwest Regional—(9) Iowa def. (8) North Carolina State 56-50; (8) Iowa lost to (1) UConn 72-53; (4) Illinois def. (13) Drake 79-62; (4) Illinois def. (5) Duke 85-67; (4) Illinois lost to (1) UConn 78-71

RESULTS OF THE BIG TEN TOURNAMENT —

First round—(8) Indiana def. (9) Michigan 72-54; (10) Ohio State def. (7) Penn State 80-79; (11) Minnesota def. (6) Wisconsin 80-75

Second round—(8) Indiana def. (1) Purdue 61-54; (4) Iowa def. (5) Northwestern 73-63; (2) Michigan State def. (10) Ohio State 85-79; (3) Illinois def. (11) Minnesota 98-76

Semifinals—(4) Iowa def. (8) Indiana 87-53; (3) Illinois def. (2) Michigan State 77-66

Championship—(4) Iowa def. (3) Illinois 63-56

All-tournament team—(MVP) Angela Hamblin, Iowa; Ashley Berggren, Illinois; Katie Coleman, Illinois; Paula Sanders, Michigan State; Tangel Smith, Iowa

BIG TEN TOURNAMENT RECORDS SET BY MINNESOTA —

Steals in a game—7 by Kiauna Burns vs. Wisconsin
 Rebounding Average—14.5 by Angie Iverson
 Steals Average—4.5 by Kiauna Burns
 Team Rebounding Average—49.5

THE ASSISTANTS — Tréka McMillian completed her first season as the first assistant after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach the previous three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint** moved up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant in 1995-96, and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moved into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. **Pearson** was an assistant coach at Tartan High School in 1995-96.

IS THERE A DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE? — The Gophers struggled with injuries the first-half of the season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries and suffered continuous injuries throughout the season. Here was the injury timeline of the Gophers in 1996-97:

September 13, 1996 — All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For **Stafford**, it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. **Stafford** was the Gophers' leading scorer in '95-96 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold that season.

September, 1996 — Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** is granted a medical hardship due to personal health considerations. **Taylor** was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

October 15, 1996 — Forward **Sarah Schieber** tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. **Schieber** had surgery Dec. 6, and was lost for the season. **Schieber** was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers in '95-96, connecting on 41 percent.

November 20, 1996 — Forward **Lynda Hass** is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy. **Hass** missed the first two games of the year.

December, 1996 — Starting point guard **Jaime Ellis**, who had averaged 34 minutes a game, is diagnosed with a stress fracture and is limited to 16 minutes a game.

December 30, 1996 — Reserve **Andrea Seago** suffered a nasal fracture when **Angie Iverson** caught her with an elbow.

January 3, 1997 — **Teresa O'Hearn** suffered a sprain of the right ankle. She missed the Indiana game, but returned for the Nebraska contest.

January 3, 1997 — Reserve **Margaret Blom** missed the Indiana game due to migraine headaches.

January 7, 1997 — **Jaime Ellis** missed the Nebraska game due to a stress fracture.

SHOOTING WOES HURT GOPHERS — Minnesota struggled from the field all season, shooting only 39 percent, ranking last in the Big Ten. Minnesota shot above 45 percent only five times the entire season and above 40 percent seven times in 1996-97. Only **Angie Iverson**, at 47.4 percent, and

Andrea Seago, at 45.5 percent, shot over 45 percent for the Gophers.

REBOUNDING ANOTHER PROBLEM — With no players taller than 6-0 in the starting lineup, Minnesota was killed on the boards, especially the offensive glass, where they were outrebounded 438-344. Minnesota was outrebounded by its opponents by a 43.1-40.3 rebound per game margin this season.

HOLD ONTO THAT BALL — With such a young squad, especially in the backcourt, turnovers hurt the Gophers in 1996-97. Minnesota turned the ball over an average of 24.4 times a game, including 40 against Illinois in the final game of the season.

WHERE'S THE THREE — The loss of **Sarah Schieber** to an ACL injury at the beginning of the season really hurt the Gophers. **Schieber** was Minnesota's leading three-point shooter in 1995-96 at 42 percent, connecting on 36 treys from the field. This season, the Gophers only shot 22 percent from three-point range and made only 62 threes the entire season. **Lynda Hass** led the way with 19 treys on the year. **Mindy Hansen** was second at 18 and **Jaime Ellis** was the only other Gopher in double figures with 14.

IVERSON NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-BIG TEN BY THE MEDIA — Junior **Angie Iverson** was named second-team all-Big Ten by the media and third-team all-Big Ten by the coaches. **Iverson** became the first Minnesota player since **Shannon Loeblein** in 1995 to earn second-team honors. The rest of the all-Big Ten teams:

Media all-Big Ten team

First team: Keisha Anderson, Wisconsin; Angie Potthoff, Penn State; Jannon Roland, Purdue; Ashley Berggren, Illinois, Michele Ratay, Northwestern

Second team: **Angie Iverson, Minnesota;** Pollyanna Johns, Michigan; Paula Sanders, Michigan State; Stephanie White, Purdue; Kristina Divjak, Northwestern

Third team: Tamika Matlock, Michigan State; Nicole Cushing-Adkins, Michigan State; Angela Hamblin, Iowa; Alicia Sheeler, Illinois; Ann Klapperich, Wisconsin

Honorable Mention: Krista Reinking, Illinois, Quacy Barnes, Indiana; Nadine Domond, Tangel Smith, Iowa; Stacey Thomas, Michigan; Megan Chawansky, Northwestern; Marcie Alberts, Larecha Jones, Ohio State; Corissa Yasen, Purdue

Player of the Year: Ashley Berggren, Illinois
Frosh of the Year: Stacey Thomas, Michigan

Coaches all-Big Ten team

First team: Angie Potthoff, Penn State; Jannon Roland, Purdue; Ashley Berggren, Illinois; Keisha Anderson, Wisconsin; Paula Sanders, Michigan State

Second team: Stephanie White, Purdue; Michele Ratay, Northwestern; Kristina Divjak, Northwestern; Tamika Matlock, Michigan State; Pollyanna Johns, Michigan

Third team: **Angie Iverson, Minnesota;** Angela Hamblin, Iowa; Alicia Sheeler, Illinois; Quacy Barnes, Indiana; Megan Chawansky, Northwestern

Honorable Mention: Kristi Green, Indiana; Tangela Smith, Iowa; Stacey Thomas, Michigan; Nicole Cushing-Adkins, Michigan State; Corissa Yasen, Purdue; Ann Klapperich, Wisconsin

Player of the Year: Jannon Roland, Purdue
Frosh of the Year: Stacey Thomas, Michigan

IVERSON FINISHES FIRST IN THE NATION IN TOTAL REBOUNDS — Angie Iverson, at only 6-0, crashed the boards at a record pace this season, finishing first in the nation in total rebounds. Iverson finished with 344 rebounds compared to 341 for Melanie Halker of Siena.

IVERSON SECOND IN THE NATION IN REBOUNDING PER GAME — Center Angie Iverson finished second in the nation in rebounds per game with 12.3 a game on the season. Georgia State's Etolia Mitchell led the nation with 13.2 a game.

IVERSON WINS BIG TEN REBOUNDING TITLE — Angie Iverson won the Big Ten regular-season rebounding title this season for all games and conference-only games. Iverson finished the year averaging 12.1 rebounds a game, 11.63 in conference games. Angie Potthoff tried to overtake Iverson but came up just short, finishing with 11 rebounds a game and 11.56 in conference games.

IVERSON IN THE BIG TEN STATS — Angie Iverson finished in the Big Ten's top ten list in a number of categories this season. The following is list of where Iverson finished:

	Big Ten	Season
Rebounding	1st-11.63	1st-12.12
Scoring	4th-18.81	7th-16.81
FG %	9th-.491	NR
FT %	8th-.797	8th-.753

IVERSON FOURTH ON BIG TEN AND MINNESOTA REBOUNDING LIST FOR A SEASON — Angie Iverson finished the year with 344 rebounds on the season, good for fourth all-time in Minnesota and Big Ten history.

Minnesota single-season list

1. Linda Roberts	387	(1977-78)
2. Linda Roberts	378	(1978-79)
3. Linda Roberts	362	(1980-81)
4. Angie Iverson	344	(1996-97)

Big Ten single-season list

1. Theresa Huff, Wisconsin	394	(1981-82)
2. Denise Jackson, Indiana	366	(1982-83)
3. Denise Jackson, Indiana	348	(1981-82)
4. Angie Iverson, Minnesota	344	(1996-97)

ON THE CAREER LISTS — With her 643 rebounds, Angie Iverson has moved into ninth place all-time in Minnesota history on the rebounding list. Iverson could finish as high as fourth on both the Minnesota and Big Ten lists when her career concludes next season.

IVERSON RECORD SECOND-HIGHEST MINNESOTA REBOUND AVERAGE — Angie Iverson recorded the second-highest season rebound average in history with her 12.3 rebounds a game. Denise Erstad holds the record at 15.8 boards a game set in 1974-75.

IVERSON FINISHES WITH THIRD-HIGHEST REBOUND AVERAGE IN CONFERENCE GAMES — Angie Iverson finished with 11.6 rebounds a game in conference play, the third-highest total in Big Ten history. Denise Jackson holds the record of 12.9 set in 1983. Iverson also finished tied for ninth with 186 points on the season.

IVERSON THIRD IN MINNESOTA HISTORY IN FREE THROWS MADE IN A SEASON — Angie Iverson can also shoot the ball, as she finished with 149 made free throws, the third-highest total in Minnesota history. Laura Coenen holds the record at 158 set in 1984-85.

IVERSON TIES BIG TEN AND SETS MINNESOTA MARK FOR REBOUNDS IN A GAME — Angie Iverson pulled down 25 rebounds against Colorado State in December, setting a Minnesota record and tying the Big Ten mark. The old Minnesota record was 23 set by Molly Tadich against Northwestern in 1984. Iverson now shares the Big Ten record with Leslie Schultz of Purdue, set in 1981.

IVERSON DOUBLED HER PLEASURE — Angie Iverson posted 19 double-doubles in 28 games for the Gophers this season. Iverson now has 25 double-doubles in her career. Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON AND HANSEN NAMED TO DIAL ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM — Angie Iverson and Mindy Hansen were named to the all-tournament team at the Dial Soap Basketball Classic. For the tournament, Iverson averaged 8.5 points and 10.5 rebounds, while Hansen had 12.5 points and 3.5 assists. It was the first time either player had been named to an all-tournament team in her career.

IVERSON NAMED TO LADY REBEL ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM — Angie Iverson was named to her second all-tournament team of the season at the Lady Rebel Classic. Iverson averaged 16 points and 12 rebounds a game in Las Vegas.

IVERSON AND HANSEN NAMED E.F. JOHNSON ATHLETES OF THE MONTH — Angie Iverson and Mindy Hansen were named E. F. Johnson Athletes of the Month for January. Iverson received the award after leading the team in scoring and rebounding, while Hansen was honored after recording her first career double-double and recording a career-high 24 points against Northwestern.

BURNS FINISHES REGULAR SEASON RANKED EIGHTH IN STEALS — Kiauna Burns ranked eighth in the Big Ten for steals with 2.15 a game, good for #8 in the conference. Wisconsin's Keisha Anderson led the Big Ten with 3.63 a game.

ACADEMICS OUTSTANDING FOR THE GOPHERS — Minnesota had a stellar season in the classroom in 1996-97 as four players earned academic all-Big Ten honors, six won Patty Berg Awards and one was named the Outstanding Minority Student in her major. Jaime Ellis was named a Top Five Award winner after posting a 3.87 GPA in the Carlson School of Management, while she also earned academic all-Big Ten honors and the Patty Berg Award. Other academic all-Big Ten recipients were Angie Iverson, Sarah Klun and Sonja Robinson. Iverson, Klun, Robinson, Sarah Schieber and Stephanie Strommen received the Patty Berg Award, while Robinson was named the outstanding minority student in her field of study. Robinson is an electrical engineering major and has a 3.6 GPA.

HONORS AND AWARDS

1996-97 Captain — Angie Iverson

All-Big Ten second-team (media) — Angie Iverson

All-Big Ten third-team (coaches) — Angie Iverson

Chicago Tribune MVP — Angie Iverson

Most Valuable Player — Angie Iverson

Academic Award — Jaime Ellis

Fastbreak Club Award — Angie Iverson

Hustle Award — Mindy Hansen

Most Improved Player — Margaret Blom

Coaches Award — Teresa O'Hearn, Sy Nonginthirath, Stephanie Strommen, Margaret Blom

Dial Classic All-Tournament Team — Angie Iverson, Mindy Hansen

Lady Rebel Classic All-Tournament Team — Angie Iverson

Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month — Angie Iverson (December)

Top Five Award Winner — Jaime Ellis

Academic All-Big Ten — Jaime Ellis, Angie Iverson, Sarah Klun, Sonja Robinson

Patty Berg Award Winners — Jaime Ellis, Angie Iverson, Sarah Klun, Sonja Robinson, Sarah Schieber, Stephanie Strommen

"M" Letterwinners — Kiauna Burns, Jaime Ellis, Mindy Hansen, Lynda Hass, Angie Iverson, Sarah Klun, Sonja Robinson, Andrea Seago

CUMULATIVE
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 28 Games)

PLAYER	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/						OFF DEF TOT									
	G/ GS	FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	REB	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
Angie Iverson	28/ 28	162/ 342	.474	2/ 10	.200	149/ 196	.760	475	17.0	143	201	344	12.3	85/ 1	38	89	11	34	916
Mindy Hansen	28/ 20	135/ 361	.374	18/ 73	.247	47/ 77	.610	335	12.0	35	87	122	4.4	59/ 1	85	147	10	45	895
Sarah Klun	28/ 28	93/ 232	.401	3/ 14	.214	54/ 61	.885	243	8.7	39	64	103	3.7	82/ 3	35	87	2	21	686
Lynda Hass	26/ 1	78/ 204	.382	19/ 74	.257	39/ 53	.736	214	8.2	40	50	90	3.5	43/ 1	33	55	4	18	577
Kiauna Burns	28/ 16	66/ 178	.371	6/ 41	.146	56/ 99	.566	194	6.9	21	49	70	2.5	69/ 2	81	132	7	65	872
Sonja Robinson	28/ 20	62/ 172	.361	0/ 3	.000	38/ 55	.691	162	5.8	43	65	108	3.9	67/ 1	43	69	12	24	680
Jaime Ellis	27/ 27	37/ 111	.333	14/ 59	.237	10/ 13	.769	98	3.6	6	25	31	1.2	33/ 0	56	69	2	16	524
Andrea Seago	28/ 0	35/ 77	.455	0/ 0	.000	13/ 18	.722	83	3.0	14	49	63	2.3	45/ 0	7	21	9	5	368
Si Nonginthirat	7/ 0	2/ 4	.500	0/ 1	.000	2/ 2	1.000	6	.9	0	2	2	.3	2/ 0	1	8	0	1	24
Margaret Blom	8/ 0	1/ 7	.143	0/ 0	.000	2/ 2	1.000	4	.5	1	4	5	.6	9/ 0	0	2	2	1	42
Teresa O'Hearn	10/ 0	0/ 1	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	.1	1/ 0	0	4	0	0	24
StephanieStromm	6/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 1	.000	0	.0	1	3	4	.7	0/ 0	1	0	0	2	17
Team Rebounds													185						
Golden Gophers	28/ 28	671/1691	.397	62/ 277	.224	410/ 577	.711	1814	64.8	344	599	1128	40.3	495/ 9	380	683	59	232	--
Team Rebounds													139						
Opponent Totals	28/ 28	865/1953	.443	120/ 407	.295	379/ 551	.688	2229	79.6	438	629	1206	43.1	523/ 8	514	534	127	381	--

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/																	
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN							
Angie Iverson	5.8	12.2	.1	.4	5.3	7.0	17.0	12.3	1.4	3.2	.4	1.2	32.7							
Mindy Hansen	4.8	12.9	.6	2.6	1.7	2.8	12.0	4.4	3.0	5.3	.4	1.6	32.0							
Sarah Klun	3.3	8.3	.1	.5	1.9	2.2	8.7	3.7	1.3	3.1	.1	.8	24.5							
Lynda Hass	3.0	7.9	.7	2.9	1.5	2.0	8.2	3.5	1.3	2.1	.2	.7	22.2							
Kiauna Burns	2.4	6.4	.2	1.5	2.0	3.5	6.9	2.5	2.9	4.7	.3	2.3	31.1							
Sonja Robinson	2.2	6.1	.0	.1	1.4	2.0	5.8	3.9	1.5	2.5	.4	.9	24.3							
Jaime Ellis	1.4	4.1	.5	2.2	.4	.5	3.6	1.2	2.1	2.6	.1	.6	19.4							
Andrea Seago	1.3	2.8	.0	.0	.5	.6	3.0	2.3	.3	.8	.3	.2	13.1							
Si Nonginthirat	.3	.6	.0	.1	.3	.3	.9	.3	.1	1.1	.0	.1	3.4							
Margaret Blom	.1	.9	.0	.0	.3	.3	.5	.6	.0	.3	.3	.1	5.3							
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.1	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.1	.0	.4	.0	.0	2.4							
StephanieStrommen	.0	.3	.0	.3	.0	.2	.0	.7	.2	.0	.0	.3	2.8							
Golden Gophers	24.0	60.4	2.2	9.9	14.6	20.6	64.8	40.3	13.6	24.4	2.1	8.3	----							
Opponent Totals	30.9	69.8	4.3	14.5	13.5	19.7	79.6	43.1	18.4	19.1	4.5	13.6	----							

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
len Gophers	823	980	11	0	1814	60
ment Totals	1067	1147	15	0	2229	53

ALL TEAM RECORD	4-24	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	55663	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	1988
ig Ten	1-15	HOME	15573	HOME AVERAGE	1298
ial Soap Classic	1- 1	AWAY	40090	AWAY AVERAGE	2506
Classic	1- 1				

#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	1/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	1/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	Wyoming	68- 66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	James Madison	56- 64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60- 78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62- 75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63- 66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	2/19	Stephen F. Austin	63- 80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	2/20	Fairfield	74- 68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48- 61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	2/20	*Michigan	63- 82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	1/03	*Indiana	61- 67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47- 68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	11/10	*Illinois	85- 89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	11/12	*Michigan State	65- 76	L H	1288 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7
16	01/17	*Ohio State	61- 84	L A	3835 Hansen, 18	Klun, 6	Jones, 25	Jones, 9
17	01/19	*Northwestern	84- 91	L H	2122 Hansen, 24	Iverson, 14	Chawansky, 27	Ratay, 8
18	11/24	*Penn State	62- 83	L A	5646 Klun, 18	Iverson, 14	Potthoff, 20	Garner, 9
19	1/26	*#13 Wisconsin	57- 84	L A	7260 Hass, 16	Klun, 7	Klapp, Wiersma, 17	Wiersma, 9
20	01/31	*Purdue	64- 82	L H	1077 Iverson, 28	Iverson, 12	Roland, 27	Yasen, 7
21	02/02	*Ohio State	66- 64	W H	1403 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 9	Moua, 13	Jones, 11
22	12/07	*Michigan State	51-102	L A	3788 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 13	Engen, 22	Rasmussen, 11
23	02/09	*#25 Illinois	76- 95	L A	3235 Iverson, 30	Iverson, 18	Berggren, 20	Vasey, 13
24	02/16	*Indiana	75-103	L H	2045 Hansen, 23	Iverson, 15	Vesel, 22	Kerns, Honegger, 4
25	2/21	*Michigan	75-107	L A	3038 Iverson, 27	Iverson, 15	Johns, 20	Thomas, 9
26	02/23	*Iowa	42- 78	L A	8769 Hansen, 11	Hansen, 9	Koering, Herrig, 16	Smith 12
27	2/28	Wisconsin	80- 75	W N	0 Hansen, 19	Iverson, 15	Paulius, 20	Klapperich, 12
28	03/01	Illinois	76- 98	L N	0 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 21	Leonhardt, 7

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TEAM HIGHS/LOWS FOR THE SEASON

		Minnesota			Opponent		
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Total Points:	High	85	vs	Illinois		107	by Michigan
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Field Goals Made:	High	34	vs	Northwestern		46	by Michigan
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Field Goals Att:	High	80	vs	Colorado State		86	by #13 Wisconsin
	Low	46	vs	#13 Wisconsin		53	by Ohio State
FG Percentage:	High	.519	vs	Purdue		.648	by Michigan
	Low	.274	vs	Iowa		.317	by Indiana
3-Pt Field Goals:	High	5	vs	Iowa State		13	by Northwestern
	Low	0	vs	#25 Illinois	*	0	by Penn State
3-Pt FG Attempted:	High	17	vs	Iowa State		27	by Northwestern
	Low	3	vs	Wisc.-Green Bay		7	by #13 Wisconsin
3-Pt FG Percentage:	High	.500	vs	Indiana		.546	by Wisc.-Green Bay
	Low	.000	vs	#25 Illinois	*	.000	by Penn State
Free Throws:	High	24	vs	Michigan		27	by #25 Illinois
	Low	4	vs	Colorado State		5	by Nebraska
Free Throws Attempted:	High	37	vs	Wyoming		40	by Illinois
	Low	8	vs	Iowa	*	9	by Michigan State
Free Throw Percentage:	High	.870	vs	Illinois		.882	by Indiana
	Low	.364	vs	Colorado State		.333	by Nebraska
Offensive Rebounds:	High	21	vs	Fairfield		28	by #13 Wisconsin
	Low	6	vs	#13 Wisconsin		6	by Iowa
Defensive Rebounds:	High	32	vs	Illinois	*	37	by Iowa
	Low	10	vs	Wisc.-Green Bay		11	by Indiana
Total Rebounds:	High	55	vs	Illinois		58	by Marquette
	Low	26	vs	Wisc.-Green Bay		24	by Fairfield
Assists:	High	20	vs	Iowa State		32	by Michigan State
	Low	6	vs	Iowa	*	4	by Western Illinois
Blocked Shots:	High	5	vs	Wisconsin		11	by Illinois
	Low	0	vs	Iowa	*	0	by Purdue
Steals:	High	14	vs	Wisc.-Green Bay	*	22	by Nebraska
	Low	5	vs	Ohio State	*	6	by Wyoming
Turnovers:	High	40	vs	Illinois		31	by Ohio State
	Low	11	vs	Northwestern		10	by Purdue
Personal Fouls:	High	31	vs	Illinois		29	by Wyoming
	Low	10	vs	Michigan	*	12	by Michigan State

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CUMULATIVE BIG TEN STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 16 Games)

PLAYER	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			OFF DEF TOT												
	G/ GS	FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	REB	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
Angie Iverson	16/ 16	107/ 218	.491	2/ 8	.250	85/ 108	.787	301	18.8	78	108	186	11.6	49/ 1	26	44	8	24	536
Mindy Hansen	16/ 8	70/ 188	.372	9/ 40	.225	27/ 38	.711	176	11.0	19	43	62	3.9	38/ 0	49	78	6	26	498
Lynda Hass	16/ 1	51/ 136	.375	14/ 54	.259	21/ 26	.808	137	8.6	20	32	52	3.3	27/ 0	24	36	0	10	375
Shah Klun	16/ 16	52/ 129	.403	2/ 10	.200	25/ 29	.862	131	8.2	24	39	63	3.9	44/ 1	17	55	1	7	386
Shauna Burns	16/ 13	39/ 105	.371	2/ 22	.090	32/ 54	.593	112	7.0	13	27	40	2.5	43/ 0	49	77	2	33	540
Sonja Robinson	16/ 10	35/ 89	.393	0/ 1	.000	16/ 22	.727	86	5.4	21	23	44	2.8	39/ 0	23	34	6	15	372
Trime Ellis	16/ 16	19/ 54	.352	5/ 20	.250	1/ 2	.500	44	2.8	4	13	17	1.1	12/ 0	17	37	0	6	236
Andrea Seago	16/ 0	17/ 45	.378	0/ 0	.000	6/ 8	.750	40	2.5	8	27	35	2.2	27/ 0	4	9	1	4	203
Nonginthirath	5/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	.8	0	2	2	.4	2/ 0	1	8	0	1	18
Margaret Blom	6/ 0	1/ 6	.167	0/ 0	.000	2/ 2	1.000	4	.7	1	2	3	.5	6/ 0	0	2	2	1	28
Mesa O'Hearn	8/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	1/ 0	0	2	0	0	17
Stephanie Stromm	5/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 1	.000	0	.0	1	3	4	.8	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	16
Team Rebounds													87						
den Gophers	16/ 16	393/ 975	.403	34/ 157	.217	215/ 290	.741	1035	64.7	189	319	595	37.2	288/ 2	210	382	26	129	--
Team Rebounds													84						
ponent Totals	16/ 16	529/1130	.468	63/ 230	.274	227/ 314	.723	1348	84.3	246	361	691	43.2	276/ 2	318	286	70	218	--

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/--TOTAL-/			/- 3PT -/															
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN						
Angie Iverson	6.7	13.6	.41	.5	5.3	6.8	18.8	11.6	1.6	2.8	.5	1.5	33.5						
Mindy Hansen	4.4	11.8	.36	2.5	1.7	2.4	11.0	3.9	3.1	4.9	.4	1.6	31.1						
Lynda Hass	3.2	8.5	.39	3.4	1.3	1.6	8.6	3.3	1.5	2.3	.0	.6	23.4						
Shah Klun	3.3	8.1	.41	.6	1.6	1.8	8.2	3.9	1.1	3.4	.1	.4	24.1						
Shauna Burns	2.4	6.6	.31	1.4	2.0	3.4	7.0	2.5	3.1	4.8	.1	2.1	33.8						
Sonja Robinson	2.2	5.6	.30	.1	1.0	1.4	5.4	2.8	1.4	2.1	.4	.9	23.3						
Trime Ellis	1.2	3.4	.35	1.3	.1	.1	2.8	1.1	1.1	2.3	.0	.4	14.8						
Andrea Seago	1.1	2.8	.30	.0	.4	.5	2.5	2.2	.3	.6	.1	.3	12.7						
Nonginthirath	.4	.6	.00	.0	.0	.0	.8	.4	.2	1.6	.0	.2	3.6						
Margaret Blom	.2	1.0	.00	.0	.3	.3	.7	.5	.0	.3	.3	.2	4.7						
Mesa O'Hearn	.0	.0	.00	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.3	.0	.0	2.1						
Stephanie Stromm	.0	.4	.00	.4	.0	.2	.0	.8	.0	.0	.0	.4	3.2						
den Gophers	24.6	60.9	.21	9.8	13.4	18.1	64.7	37.2	13.1	23.9	1.6	8.1	----						
ponent Totals	33.1	70.6	.39	14.4	14.2	19.6	84.3	43.2	19.9	17.9	4.4	13.6	----						

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	455	569	11	0	1035	30
Opponent Totals	661	672	15	0	1348	29

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	1-15	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	47603	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	2975
Big Ten	1-15	HOME	10821	HOME AVERAGE	1353
Dial Soap Classic	0- 0	AWAY	36782	AWAY AVERAGE	4598
UNLV Classic	0- 0				

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20	01/31	*Purdue	64- 82	L H 1077	Iverson, 28	Iverson, 12	Roland, 27	Yasen, 7
21	02/02	*Ohio State	66- 64	W H 1403	Iverson, 22	Iverson, 9	Moua, 13	Jones, 11
22	02/07	*Michigan State	51-102	L A 3788	Iverson, 22	Iverson, 13	Engen, 22	Rasmussen, 11
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Defensive Rebounds:	High	32 vs Indiana			37 by Iowa
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Total Rebounds:	High	52 vs Illinois			52 by Michigan State
	Low	27 vs Ohio State			33 by Indiana
Assists:	High	18 vs Indiana	*		32 by Michigan State
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Blocked Shots:	High	4 vs Northwestern	*		8 by Michigan State
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1996-97 Minnesota Results

FEBRUARY

1	Iowa State	W, 6-1
7	Drake	W, 6-1
9	DePaul	W, 6-1
14	# 54 Purdue	W, 7-0
16	# 63 Illinois	W, 6-1
23	at Iowa	W, 5-2
28	at #51 Syracuse	W, 7-0

MARCH

1	vs. #37 Maryland	W, 4-3
7	Ohio State	W, 6-1
9	# 24 Indiana	L, 4-3
28	at BYU-Hawaii	L, 4-0

APRIL

4	#69 Penn State	L, 4-3
12	at #19 Michigan	L, 7-0
13	at Michigan State	W, 6-1
19	at #42 Northwestern	W, 5-2
20	at #19 Wisconsin	L, 4-3
27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)	
	vs. #42 Northwestern	L, 4-3

MAY

9	NCAA Regional (South Bend, Ind.)	
	vs. #29 Indiana	L, 5-2

Home matches in bold and played at the 98th Street Racquet Club in Bloomington, Minn.



Tennis 1996-97

The 1996-97 Season

11-7 Overall

6-4 Big Ten (Fifth)

Advanced to NCAA Regional Play

1996-97 TENNIS REVIEW

Head coach **Martin Novak** and the 1997 Minnesota tennis team had another strong year as they advanced to the NCAA Midwest Regional Championship for the second consecutive season and were nationally-ranked much of the year. With three first-year athletes and three sophomores in the starting lineup, Minnesota gained some valuable experience and showed that it will be a serious contender in years to come.

The Gophers started the fall season at the Notre Dame Invitational in South Bend, Ind., where the country got its first look at newcomer **Nora Sauska**. **Sauska** won the "B" singles title and teamed with **Jana Hrdinova** to win the "B" doubles title in her first collegiate competition.

Sauska did not stop there as she traveled to the Wolfpack Invitational in Raleigh, N.C. and claimed the "A" singles title. **Sauska** opened the season 10-0 before losing in the third round of the Rolex Regional Qualifier in Madison, Wis.

Hrdinova also had a successful fall as she teamed with Iowa's Christy Delgado to win the Indiana Regional Invitational doubles title. **Hrdinova** finished the fall season with a 4-2 doubles record.

The fall was also good to the doubles team of **Alice Rangsihienchai** and **Jennifer Hayes**, who received an invitation to play in the Riviera All-American Classic in Pacific Palisades, Calif.

At the end of the fall season, Minnesota had compiled a 51-32 singles record and two titles to its credit. The Gophers were solid in doubles with a 13-13 record and another two tournament victories.

The spring started just as strong for the Gophers as Minnesota began the dual meet season with a perfect 9-0 record, its best start in history. Minnesota defeated Syracuse and nationally-ranked Maryland during that time and won its first four Big Ten matches to achieve its highest ranking in the history of the program at #28 in the Rolex Regional Rankings.

The Gophers then suffered an injury to junior **Jenni Svehla** that caused **Novak** to shuffle the lineup in both doubles and singles. Minnesota lost to #24 Indiana in a heartbreaking 4-3 loss, followed by losses to BYU-Hawaii, Penn State and Michigan. Minnesota stopped its downward spiral with wins over Michigan State and Northwestern but lost another 4-3 match to Wisconsin to close the Big Ten season.

The Gophers went to the Big Ten Tournament as the fourth seed and drew #5 Northwestern. The Wildcats got the best of the Gophers, 4-3, and Minnesota had to hold its breath for an invitational to the NCAA Midwest Regionals.

Minnesota did not turn blue in the face as the Gophers were invited to South Bend, Ind., for the regional, drawing Indiana as its first-round opponent. Minnesota lost 5-2 and finished the season with a 11-7 overall record and a fifth-place showing in the Big Ten. Of Minnesota's seven losses this season, four of them were by margins of 4-3 and all of them came after the injury to **Svehla**.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK — Head coach **Martin Novak** completed his seventh season at the helm of the Minnesota program. **Novak** has a Minnesota record of 71-85 and a career mark of 142-130. Since **Novak** has been at Minnesota, the Gophers have had their highest team Big Ten finish (third in 1996), achieved its highest team ranking in history (#28 in 1997) and sent three players to the NCAA Singles Championships.

1996-97 Tennis Roster

Name	Cl.	R/L	Exp.	Hometown / High School
Meghan Donley	Fr.	R	SQ	Duluth, MN / East
Tarah Elkins	So.	L	2V	Birmingham, MI / Seaholm
Jennifer Hayes	Jr.	R	3V	Fond du Lac, WI / Goodrich
Jana Hrdinova	So.	R	2V	Prague, Czech Republic / Stoughton (WI)
Alice Rangsithienchai	So.	R	2V	Flossmoor, IL / Homewood Flossmoor
Nora Sauska	Fr.	R	1V	Budapest, Hungary / Vorosmarty Gymnazium
Kim Simonsen	Fr.	R	1V	Chalfunt, PA / Central Bucks West
Jenni Svehla	Jr.	R	3V	Naperville, IL / Central
Helen Wang	Fr.	R	1V	Eagan, MN / Burnsville

Head Coach: Martin Novak (7th year)

Assistant Coach: Jennie Coughlin (3rd year)

V - Varsity Letters Earned, SQ - Squad Member

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — Jennie Coughlin completed her third year as an assistant coach for the Minnesota tennis program. **Coughlin** was a three-time all-Big Ten player at Minnesota from 1989-92. **Linda LeClaire** was in her first season as the volunteer assistant for the program.

1997 Final Big Ten Standings

1. Michigan
2. Indiana
3. Wisconsin
4. Northwestern
5. Minnesota
6. Illinois
7. Purdue
8. Penn State
9. Ohio State
10. Iowa
11. Michigan State

The Big Ten in the NCAA's — NCAA Championships

Michigan lost to Florida, 5-0
Wisconsin lost to Stanford, 5-0

NCAA Individual Qualifiers: Nora Sauska, Minnesota, lost to Karin Miller, Duke, 6-3, 6-4; Sarah Cyganiak, Michigan, lost to Esther Knox, Cal, 6-3, 7-5; Mary Beth Maggart, Purdue, lost to Vanessa Webb, Duke, 6-0, 6-3; Melissa Zimpfer, Wisconsin, lost to Baili Camino, Alabama, 5-7, 7-5, 4-6; Olga Novikova, Penn State, lost to Katia Roubanova, UCLA, 6-4, 6-3.

Doubles: Cyganiak/Moon, Michigan, lost to Petrov/Lawrence, Pepperdine, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2; Zimpfer/Lucey def. Vallin/Garvin, UNLV, 6-4, 2-6, 7-6; Zimpfer/Lucey def.

Osterloh/Schlukibir, Stanford, 6-0, 6-3; Zimpfer/Lucey def. Chapman/Muzamel, Mississippi, 6-1, 6-4; Zimpfer/Lucey lost to Buth/Nickitas, Florida, 6-3, 6-4;

NCAA TOURNAMENT TIDBITS — Minnesota advanced to the Midwest Regionals for the second consecutive year. The Gophers lost to Indiana in the first-round, 5-2. Overall, Minnesota is 1-2 in NCAA Midwest Regional play.

NCAA INDIVIDUALS — Minnesota's Nora Sauska became the third Gopher in history to qualify for the NCAA Singles Championships. **Sauska** lost to #1-seed Karin Miller of Duke, 6-3, 6-4. The first-year athlete joined Tiffany Gates (1995) and Dana Peterson (1996) as the only Gophers to qualify for the NCAA Singles Championships. Minnesota's record in NCAA Singles Championships is 0-3 as all three lost their first-round matches.

THE TOURNAMENT WINNERS — Newcomer Nora Sauska won her first two singles tournaments as she claimed the Notre Dame Invitational "B" singles crown and the Wolfpack Invitational "A" singles crown. **Jana Hrdinova** also won two doubles titles in the fall as she teamed with **Sauska** to win the Notre Dame Invitational "B" doubles crown and then was paired with Iowa's Christy Delgado to win the Indiana Regional Tournament doubles championship.

SAUSKA WAS A STAR — Newcomer Nora Sauska had an excellent season as she won 23 matches in '96-97 and ended the year with a 23-6 singles record. She had winning streaks of 10 and 11 matches during the season, just off the record of 13 set by Liz Martin in 1984.

SAUSKA NAMED BIG TEN ATHLETE OF THE MONTH TWICE — Nora Sauska was named Big Ten Tennis Player of the Month for February and March. During February, Sauska was 9-0 in singles. March was no different as she was 3-0 for the month.

SAUSKA NAMED ALL-BIG TEN — Newcomer Nora Sauska earned all-Big Ten honors for her stellar performance this season.

1997 All-Big Ten Team

Lizl Coetsee, Indiana; Sarah Cyganiak, Michigan; Marjorie Gantman, Northwestern; Kristen Jordan, Ohio State; Mary Beth Maggert, Purdue; Megan McCarney, Indiana; Sora Moon, Michigan; Katherine Nasser, Northwestern; Olga Novikova, Penn State; Nora Sauska, Minnesota; Barbara Urbanska, Wisconsin; Melissa Zimpfer, Wisconsin.

MINNESOTA AND THE RANKINGS — Minnesota had its best season yet in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings, topping out at #28 as a team. Also, Nora Sauska was ranked as high as #40 in the nation in the spring, matching the highest ranking for a Minnesota player in singles. Tiffany Gates was ranked #40 to open the 1996 season.

Team Rankings

Report #	Ranking
Preseason	37th
Winter	39th
Report #1	38th
Report #2	28th
Report #3	36th
Report #4	47th
Report #5	49th
Report #6	50th
Final	50th

Individual Rankings

Report #	Sauska	Rangsithienchai
Preseason	NR	NR
Winter	47th	NR
Report #1	41st	91st
Report #2	40th	NR
Report #3	48th	NR
Report #4	56th	NR

RANGSITHIENCHAI HAS GOOD SEASON — Sophomore Alice Rangsithienchai had another good season as she won 18 singles matches and posted a 10-10 doubles mark. Rangsithienchai had a nine-match winning streak from February 1-March 7.

SIMONSEN AND WANG MAKE BIG IMPACT IN LINEUP — Newcomers Kim Simonsen and Helen Wang also made huge impacts in the Gopher lineup. Simonsen was 17-8 on the season in the #3 singles position, while Wang

was 16-6 in singles. Simonsen also saw a lot of time in the doubles lineup as she was 12-12 on the season.

SVEHLA'S INJURY HURTS — Junior Jenni Svehla missed most of the season with tendonitis. She was limited to only three singles match during the spring dual season, although she did play #1 doubles with Tarah Elkins at the end of the season. On the year, Svehla posted a 6-8 singles record. The Gophers lost seven of nine matches with her out of the lineup.

ACADEMICS STILL OUTSTANDING — Although the tennis team did not win the team academic award for the first time in five seasons, Minnesota still had some outstanding academic achievements as Jennifer Hayes was named a Top Five Award winner. The Gophers also had Jana Hrdinova earn GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District honors, while Hrdinova, Rangsithienchai, Hayes and Tarah Elkins were named academic all-Big Ten recipients.

HONORS AND AWARDS

NCAA Singles Qualifier

Nora Sauska

All-Big Ten

Nora Sauska

Big Ten Athlete of the Month

Nora Sauska (January, February)

Most Valuable Athlete

Nora Sauska

Most Improved Athlete

Kim Simonsen

Most Enthusiastic

Helen Wang

1996-97 Captains — Jennifer Hayes, Jenni Svehla

Top Five Winner — Jennifer Hayes

Academic All-Big Ten — Jennifer Hayes, Alice Rangsithienchai, Tarah Elkins, Jana Hrdinova

GTE CoSIDA Academic All-District — Jana Hrdinova

Patty Berg Award Winners — Tarah Elkins, Jennifer Hayes, Jana Hrdinova, Alice Rangsithienchai, Kim Simonsen

"M" Letterwinners — Tarah Elkins, Jennifer Hayes, Jana Hrdinova, Alice Rangsithienchai, Nora Sauska, Kim Simonsen, Jenni Svehla, Helen Wang

1996-97 Minnesota Tennis Results

Overall: 11-7 Big Ten: 6-4 Home: 6-2 Away: 4-3 Neutral: 1-2
 Big Ten Finish: 5th

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score
Feb. 1	Iowa State	W	6-1
Feb. 7	Drake	W	6-1
Feb. 9	DePaul	W	6-1
Feb. 14	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
Feb. 16	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
Feb. 23	at Iowa	W	5-2
Feb. 28	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
March 1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
March 7	Ohio State	W	6-1
March 9	# 24 Indiana	L	4-3
March 28	BYU-Hawaii	L	4-0
April 4	#69 Penn State	L	4-3
April 12	at #19 Michigan	L	7-0
April 13	at Michigan State	W	6-1
April 19	at #42 Northwestern	W	5-2
April 20	at #19 Wisconsin	L	4-3
April 27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		
	vs. #42 Northwestern	L	4-3
May 9	vs. #29 Indiana **	L	5-2

** NCAA Regional (at South Bend, Ind.)

Minnesota Tennis Statistics

Singles	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	Pct.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	6-3	2-3		6-4	5-6	16-12	.571
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	3-1	0-6	2-1	3-8	.272
Jana Hrdinova			1-0	2-4	7-1	0-1	6-4	7-4	16-10	.571
Alice Rangsithienchai		12-5					7-3	5-4	19-8	.703
Nora Sauska	13-4						10-2	7-3	23-6	.793
Kim Simonsen		1-0	5-5	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	8-3	17-9	.607
Jenni Svehla			1-1	0-1			5-6	0-1	6-8	.428
Helen Wang					1-0	8-3	7-4	6-2	16-7	.696
Totals							47-33	40-24	116-68	.630

Doubles	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins	1-7			4-3	1-5	5-10	.333
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-2		1-4	6-5	.545
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-2	3-2		3-2	5-4	.555
Hrdinova/Simonsen		1-1	1-3		2-4	2-4	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai		2-2	1-0		3-2	3-2	.600
Hayes/Wang			1-0		1-0	1-0	1.000
				13-13	14-19	40-38	.513

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1997 Minnesota Results

FEBRUARY

14	vs. Detroit Mercy	W, 11-1
	vs. Detroit Mercy	W, 17-0
15	vs. Baylor	L, 1-0
	vs. Texas A&M	W, 4-3
	vs. S. F. Austin	L, 6-3
16	vs. Louisiana Tech	W, 2-0
	at TX-Arlington	W, 2-0
20	at North Carolina	W, 5-2
	at North Carolina	W, 6-0
21	vs. Maryland	W, 1-0
	vs. East Carolina	W, 4-0
22	vs. Robert Morris	W, 15-1
	vs. Temple	W, 9-0
23	vs. Ohio	W, 4-0
	vs. Illinois-Chicago	W, 3-1
	vs. East Carolina	W, 8-0
27	vs. New Mexico	W, 4-2
	vs. Baylor	L, 5-4
28	vs. Wichita State	W, 6-2
	at New Mexico St.	L, 2-0

MARCH

1	vs. Furman	W, 8-1
	vs. Ohio State	L, 4-2
2	vs. Loyola	W, 8-0
	vs. Texas Tech	W, 7-4
24	at Georgia Tech	W, 5-1
25	at Georgia State	W, 5-1
	at Georgia State	L, 4-2
29	at Michigan State *	L, 3-1
	at Michigan State *	L, 11-4
	at Michigan State *	L, 3-2

APRIL

2	Mankato State	W, 5-0
	Mankato State	W, 3-2
5	Indiana *	W, 9-1
	Indiana *	W, 12-2
9	Northern Iowa	W, 2-0
	Northern Iowa	W, 8-0
12	Penn State *	W, 3-0
	Penn State *	W, 7-0
13	Penn State *	W, 4-3
16	at Northwestern *	L, 4-3
	at Northwestern *	W, 1-0
19	at Michigan *	L, 2-1
	at Michigan *	L, 10-2
20	at Michigan *	L, 1-0
23	Iowa *	L, 4-2
	Iowa *	L, 1-0
26	Ohio State *	W, 6-3
	Ohio State *	W, 4-1
27	Ohio State *	W, 3-0
29	at Wisconsin *	L, 3-2
	at Wisconsin *	L, 3-1

MAY

1	Drake	W, 5-0
	Drake	W, 1-0
3	at Purdue *	L, 2-0
	at Purdue *	W, 2-0
4	at Purdue *	L, 3-2

* Big Ten games



Softball 1997

The 1997 Season

Overall Record: 37-19

Big Ten Record: 10-13 (T6th)

Home Record: 12-2

GOPHERS' SEASON ENDS AT 37-19 — The Minnesota softball team ended its 1997 season with a 37-19 record. Big Ten tournament champion Michigan and conference regular-season titlest Iowa, as well as Michigan State, received bids to the national tournament. Iowa and Michigan also advanced to the College Softball World Series in Oklahoma City, Okla., where Arizona defended its national crown.

THE 1997 IN REVIEW — The 1997 season didn't turn out as coach **Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien** and her experienced Gopher squad would have liked. The season began with great expectations after a 1996 season in which the Gophers finished 44-18 overall en route to placing second in the Big Ten and advancing to the NCAA Tournament.

Minnesota opened the '97 campaign with a #20 preseason ranking and moved up as far as #9 with a 18-5 start to the season. Included in the early-season highlights for the Gophers was the championship of the Triangle Classic in Raleigh, N.C. During that span, they also ran off 12 consecutive victories to tie the Minnesota record for consecutive wins. All told, the Gophers headed into Big Ten action with a 21-6 record.

The Gophers ran into a hot Michigan State squad in East Lansing, Mich., on the opening weekend of conference play. The Spartans swept the three-game series, putting the maroon and gold in a chase position from the get-go.

A string of home games was the perfect cure. The Gophers rattled off nine straight wins at home, including series sweeps over Indiana and Penn State.

Now back into the thick of things in the conference race, the Gophers faced an important, and what turned out to be a season-turning, road trip to Northwestern and Michigan. The first game against the Wildcats was a sign of things to come for the Gophers. Northwestern edged Minnesota by a score of 4-3. Gopher pitchers combined to toss a two-hitter in that game, but both of those hits found the outside of the left field fence. The Gophers would salvage a split with the Wildcats but were unable to capture a victory at Michigan, dropping two of the three games of the series by a one-run margin.

After Minnesota unsuccessfully took its turn at trying to halt Iowa's bid at an undefeated conference season, the Gophers clawed their way back into Big Ten tournament contention with a three-game sweep of Ohio State. Great weather and winning Gopher softball brought out the fans. A crowd of 647 filled the stands for the doubleheader, followed by 576 for Sunday's single game. Both ranked among the top 10 attendance figures in Minnesota history with the 647 mark going down as the second-highest crowd ever. More importantly, the Gophers had found a way to control their own destiny heading into the final week of Big Ten action and road games at Wisconsin and Purdue.

One step forward...two steps back. Two of the toughest losses of the season followed as Wisconsin used seventh-inning heroics to score a doubleheader sweep over the Gophers and severely dim Minnesota's chances of qualifying for the conference tournament. A two-run home run ended the first game and a spectacular defensive play determined the outcome in the nightcap.

The Gophers' Big Ten Tournament hopes were ended by a 2-0 loss to Purdue in the first game of the three-game series with the Boilermakers. Minnesota tallied their 37th win of '97 before losing the series' final game and ending its season with a 37-19 record.

1997 Minnesota Softball Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/College)
3	Dana Ballard	1B	R/R	Fr.	1V	Oak Park, IL (Fenwick)
14	Ann Bartholmey	C	R/R	Sr.	4V	Austin, MN (Austin)
11	Jennifer Bauer	P	R/R	Sr.	4V	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
5	Shannon Beeler	SS	R/R	So.	2V	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
24	Michelle Bennett	IF/C	R/R	Fr.	1V	Hermantown, MN (Hermantown)
19	Erin Brophy	IF	R/R	So.	SQ	Crystal, MN (Robbinsdale)
17	Tracy Carey	1B	R/R	Jr.	1V	Richfield, MN (Nebraska-Omaha)
25	Aubree Espinosa	C	R/R	Fr.	SQ	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
20	Jennifer Fox	OF	R/R	Sr.	4V	Austin, MN (Austin)
21	Jodi Halvorson	1B/3B	R/R	Sr.	4V	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
9	Amber Hegland	3B/OF	L/R	Jr.	3V	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
22	Chantell Jernell	UT	R/R	Jr.	SQ	Minnetonka, MN (Hopkins)
23	Jennifer Johnson	P	R/R	Sr.	4V	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)
13	Hillary Johnson	P	R/R	Fr.	RS	Bloomington, MN (Holy Angels)
7	Steph Klaviter	P	R/R	So.	2V	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
18	Wendy Logue	P	R/R	Jr.	3V	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
2	Steph Midthun	OF	L/R	So.	2V	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
1	Rachel Nelson	OF	L/R	Sr.	4V	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
12	Laura Peters	2B	L/R	Jr.	3V	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
6	Renee Sbrocco	OF	R/R	Sr.	4V	Rochester, MN (Mayo)
44	Kate Schwartz	OF/IF	R/R	Fr.	SQ	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
16	Lara Severson	C	R/R	So.	1V	LeSueur, MN (LeSueur)

Head Coach: Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien

Associate Head Coach: Julie Standering

Assistant Coach: Jennifer McGuinness

V - Varsity Letters Earned, SQ - Squad Member in '97, RS - Redshirt in '97

GOPHERS RANKED 21TH — The Gophers were ranked #21 in the final USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll of the season. Defending national champion Arizona (52-4) continued to hold down the #1 spot, followed by South Carolina (57-3) and Iowa (46-5). Iowa and Minnesota were two of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 25. Michigan was ranked eighth, while Michigan State was 13th.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

(Final)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Iowa	22	0	1.000	52	9	.852
Michigan*#	18	4	.818	56	16	.774
Michigan State	14	9	.609	47	22	.681
Purdue	14	10	.583	41	23	.641
Indiana	10	12	.455	26	22	.542
MINNESOTA	10	13	.435	37	19	.661
Wisconsin	10	13	.435	32	25	.561
Northwestern	10	13	.435	20	30	.400
Ohio State	4	18	.182	19	30	.388
Penn State	2	22	.083	23	31	.426

* Michigan has one (1) tie on its record.
Big Ten Conference Tournament champion.

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN —

Minnesota head coach **Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien** completed her sixth season with the Gophers, sporting an overall coaching record of 192-161-1 (.544). **Bernstein-O'Brien**, who owns a Big Ten record of 78-77 (.503), guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach **Julie Standering** concluded her sixth season with the Gophers, while **Jennifer McGuinness** finished her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

HOME FIELD RECORD — The Gophers finished the 1997 home schedule with a 12-2 record at the Bierman Softball Complex. The only two home losses were to fifth-ranked Iowa.

THOSE ONE-RUN GAMES — Nine of Minnesota's 23 Big Ten games were decided by a one-run margin. The Gophers were 2-7 in those games with only a 4-3 win over Penn State and a 1-0 victory over Northwestern ending up in the win column. Overall in '97, Minnesota was 6-9 in one-run decisions.

ONE STEP FURTHER — The difference between a good record and a great record is often one or two runs. That sums up the Minnesota season perfectly. Of the Gophers' 19 losses, 16 of them were by one- or two-run margins. Overall, Minnesota was 12-16 in one- or two-run games.

EXTRA INNINGS — Minnesota's nine-inning game against Drake was the longest of the season. The Gophers were 4-2 in extra-inning games this season.

GOPHERS LAND THREE ON ALL-REGION SOFTBALL TEAM — Minnesota's **Rachel Nelson**, **Amber Hegland** and **Steph Klaviter** were named to the all-Mideast Region Second Team.

Nelson is a four-time all-region honoree, having earned first-team status in 1995 and 1996 and second-team awards in 1994 and 1997. The Minnesota and Big Ten record holder with 313 career hits was a first-team all-American a year ago and a third-team all-America selection as a sophomore in 1995. **Nelson** started all 56 games in center field for the Gophers this season and a total of 234 contests in her career. In '97, she led the team with 45 runs scored, 71 hits and 25 stolen bases, while batting .382 from the plate. The Big Ten Conference honored **Nelson** as a member of the all-conference second team.

Hegland was named to the all-region second team as a utility player. During the 1997 season, **Hegland** played a total of five positions, spending the majority of the innings at third base. **Hegland**, a second-team all-American and first-team all-region selection last year and a second-team all-region pick in '95, joined **Nelson** on the all-Big Ten second team this spring. She led the Gophers with a .400 batting average. She also broke career records in doubles (42) and RBI (133) during the season.

Klaviter adds the 1997 all-region second-team award to the one she earned last season. The sophomore pitcher was the workhorse of the Gophers' staff this season, pitching 138 innings and compiling a 16-4 record and a 1.32 ERA. She completed 11 of her 21 starts, including five shutout victories. **Klaviter** owns a 41-9 overall record after her second season with the Gophers. Her career win total of 41 already ranks fourth in Minnesota softball history.

All-Mideast Region First Team

P	Nicole Terpstra, DePaul
P	Sheryl Scheve, Purdue
C	Brandy Macias, Iowa
1B	Kari Knopf, Iowa
2B	Yvette Healy, DePaul
3B	Monica Armendarez, Indiana
SS	Christy Hebert, Iowa
OF	Lea Twigg, Iowa
OF	Jenny Schoen, Purdue
OF	Erin Hickey, DePaul
DP	Katie Marten, Notre Dame
UT	Debbie Bilbao, Iowa

All-Mideast Region Second Team

P	Steph Klaviter, Minnesota
P	Angela Bessolo, Notre Dame
C	Shelly Willman, Northeastern Illinois
1B	Kristina Luna, DePaul
2B	Erin McGee, Iowa
3B	Amy Daugherty, Western Michigan
SS	Meghan Murray, Notre Dame
OF	Rachel Nelson, Minnesota
OF	Liza Brown, DePaul
OF	Amanda Peterson, Northwestern
DP	Meg Montgomery, Indiana
UT	Amber Hegland, Minnesota

HEGLAND, NELSON NAMED ALL-BIG TEN —

Amber Hegland and **Rachel Nelson** were named to the all-Big Ten Second Team. **Hegland**, the Gophers' leading hitter with a .400 batting average while playing at third base, is a three-time second-team all-Big Ten selection. It is the fourth conference honor for **Nelson**. She was a first-team pick in 1996 and a second-team selection in '94 and '95.

1997 All-Big Ten First Team

1B	Traci Conrad, Michigan
2B	Erin McGee, Iowa
SS	Christy Hebert, Iowa
3B	Monica Armendarez, Indiana
C	Brandi Macias, Iowa
OF	Jenny Schoen, Purdue
OF	Kellyn Tate, Michigan
OF	Lea Twigg, Iowa
P	Debbie Bilbao, Iowa
P	Kelly Holmes, Michigan
Utility (tie)	Jen Blasnick, Purdue
	Tammy Mika, Michigan
At Large	Kari Knopf, Iowa

1997 All-Big Ten Second Team

1B	Stacey Phillips, Michigan State
2B	Sam Mercier, Purdue
SS	Keri Lamasters, Michigan State
3B	Amber Hegland, Minnesota
C	Ashley Gayer, Indiana
OF (tie)	Kelli Brandt, Indiana
	Cathy Davie, Michigan
	Rachel Nelson, Minnesota
	Erin Robson, Northwestern
P	Sheryl Scheve, Purdue
P	Stacey Smith, Michigan State
Utility	Jaclyn DeBoard, Northwestern
At Large	Melissa Gentile, Michigan

Player of the Year — Debbie Bilbao, Iowa
 Pitcher of the Year — Kelly Holmes, Michigan
 Newcomer of the Year — Melissa Gentile, Michigan
 Coach of the Year — Gayle Blevins, Iowa

NELSON EARNS ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA HONORS — Rachel Nelson was named to the 1997 University Division GTE/CoSIDA Academic all-America Softball Third Team by the College Sports Information Directors of America. Nelson is a kinesiology and adapted physical education major with a 3.24 grade point average.

NELSON'S FINAL HIT COUNT — All-America outfielder Rachel Nelson recorded her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over Robert Morris, during the Triangle Classic on Feb. 22, to set a new Minnesota career hits record. Nelson finished with 313 hits in her career.

FIFTH-BEST ALL-TIME — Rachel Nelson's assault on the record books extended to the NCAA record book as well. Nelson ends her career fifth on the NCAA career hits list with 313 hits. Arizona's Amy Chellevoid is the best all-time with 371 hits from 1992-95. Listed are the eight players in NCAA history to record over 300 hits in a career.

NCAA Career Hits	Years	Games	Hits	Avg
1. Amy Chellevoid Arizona	1992-95	255	371	.415
2. Robyn Yorke Fresno State	1994-97	240	357	.435
3. Tiff Tootle South Carolina	1990-93	242	351	.432
4. Martha Noffsinger Fresno State	1987-90	291	327	.335
5. Rachel Nelson Minnesota	1994-97	234	313	.386
6. Michelle Minton Coastal Carolina	1991-94	199	308	.458
7. Dana Fulmer South Carolina	1992-95	268	304	.368
8. Denelle Hicks Campbell	1993-96	219	300	.446

JOHNSON LEADS NATION IN SAVES — Pitcher Jennifer Johnson and Michigan State's Erica Strutz shared the nation's top spot with eight saves. Johnson was also listed 15th in strikeouts per seven innings at 7.5.

THE STRIKEOUT RECORD — Senior pitcher Jennifer Johnson, who owned the Minnesota career strikeout record for the most of the last two seasons, completed her career with 528 strikeouts. In '97, Johnson struck out 118 batters in compiling an 9-10 record. It was the second consecutive season that Johnson hit the century mark in strikeouts.

HEGLAND BUILDS ON CAREER RBI RECORD — Junior all-American Amber Hegland owns the Minnesota career record with 133 RBI in three seasons with the Gophers. Hegland, however, must build on the her record to stay ahead of sophomore shortstop Shannon Beeler. Beeler led the team in RBI this season with 45 and after a record 62

RBI a year ago is already third on the career RBI list with 107.

RECORD ROUND-TRIPPERS — Sophomore shortstop Shannon Beeler hit her 16th career home run against Drake to set a new Minnesota career home runs record. Beeler previously shared the record with current Minnesota assistant coach Jennifer McGuinness, who played for the Gophers from 1991-94.

JOHNSON SETS SAVE RECORD — Senior pitcher Jennifer Johnson collected her seventh and eighth saves against Ohio State to set the Minnesota single-season saves record. Johnson improved her career record for saves to 18.

THE GREEN LIGHT — Rachel Nelson's 66 career steals ranks second only to Mischel Doerr's mark of 81 from 1990-93. Nelson converted 25 of 31 steal attempts in '97, just one steal shy of Doerr's single-season record of 26.

MAKE IT FIVE — The versatility of Amber Hegland was more than apparent on the Gopher defense this spring. Hegland, an all-American a year ago while playing in left field, played five different defensive positions for the Gophers in '97. When Shannon Beeler went down with a hand injury in the Iowa series, Hegland answered the call once more, moving to shortstop and tallying her fifth position change of the season. The Gophers' starter at third base, Hegland also saw playing time in left field and right field, at second base, and at shortstop in '97.

HEGLAND SETS CAREER DOUBLES MARK — Amber Hegland hit the 40th double of her career in the doubleheader against Iowa to set a new Minnesota career record. The previous mark was held by Barb Drake (1984-87). Hegland finished the season with 42 career doubles.

BIG TEN STATS — Despite Minnesota's 10-13 Big Ten record, the Gophers were ranked first in team defense (.970), third in team ERA (1.46) and fourth in team batting average (.290). A number of individuals were statistical leaders as well. Jennifer Johnson was first in strikeouts per seven innings (7.56) and saves (8). Amber Hegland led in walks (28), was sixth in batting average (.400) and eighth in RBI (40). Rachel Nelson was third in stolen bases (25-31) and fifth in runs scored (45) and hits (71). Shannon Beeler was second in RBI (45). Pitchers Wendy Logue (1.30) and Steph Klaviter (1.32) ranked seventh and eighth in ERA, while Klaviter was also listed seventh in wins (16).

GOPHERS RECORD TRIPLE PLAY — In the 1-0 Minnesota win at Northwestern on April 16, the Gophers recorded the second triple play in their history and first against a Big Ten opponent. With runners on first and second base in the top of the fourth inning, Amber Hegland fielded a ground ball and threw to Shannon Beeler at third

base for the first out. **Beeler** then fired the ball to **Jodi Halvorson** at first base, who then threw back to **Beeler** to tag the runner trying to advance from second base to complete the triple play. Minnesota's first triple play occurred against North Dakota State in 1983.

USA TODAY / NFCA COACHES TOP 25 POLL -

Poll #11 — May 6 (FINAL)

Rank	School	Record	Points	LtWk
1.	Arizona (24)	52-4	624	1
2.	South Carolina (1)	57-3	595	3
3.	Iowa	46-5	554	5
4.	Fresno State	45-10	553	2
5.	UCLA	39-11	538	4
6.	Washington	43-13	486	6
7.	Missouri	47-14	457	9
8.	Michigan	48-13-1	440	8
9.	Oklahoma	54-17	416	7
10.	Colorado State	47-12	398	10
11.	Long Beach State	42-17-1	378	12
12.	South Florida	45-11	331	13
13.	Michigan State	44-18	283	11
14.	Utah	39-16	224	16
15.	Florida State	45-17-1	210	17
16.	Cal Poly SLO	36-17	205	15
17.	Oklahoma State	38-20	177	20
18.	Arizona State	31-21	165	14
19.	Cal State Northridge	34-18-2	155	21
	Northeast Louisiana	46-10	155	18
21.	MINNESOTA	37-19	124	19
	Southwestern Louisiana	44-16	124	22
23.	Louisiana State	43-12	63	24
24.	New Mexico State	33-22	58	NR
25.	California	31-23	57	23

THE GOPHERS IN THE NATIONAL POLL —

Minnesota was ranked in the top 25 in every week of the '97 season. The Gophers' highest ranking was ninth the week of March 12. The following is a week-by-week recap of the Gophers' ranking in the USA Today / NFCA Top 25 poll:

Preseason		20th
Poll #1	Feb. 26	11th
Poll #2	March 5	10th
Poll #3	March 12	9th
Poll #4	March 19	10th
Poll #5	March 25	11th
Poll #6	April 1	14th
Poll #7	April 8	15th
Poll #8	April 15	T14th
Poll #9	April 22	16th
Poll #10	April 29	19th
Poll #11 (Final)	May 6	T21st

TWO TOP TEN ATTENDANCE FIGURES NOTCHED IN '97 — The doubleheader weekend against Ohio State on April 26-27 highlighted a season of solid attendance figures

at the Bierman Softball Complex. On Saturday, April 26, the Gophers drew 647 fans, the second-best crowd in Minnesota softball history. The next day, Sunday, April 27, 576 fans were in attendance for the second-highest single-game crowd and sixth-best overall. On the season, which featured eight home dates, the Gophers averaged an attendance of 393.

MINNESOTA ATTENDANCE RECORDS

(at Bierman Softball Complex)

1.	822	vs. Michigan (2)	5/4/96
2.	647	vs. Ohio State (2)	4/26/97
3.	624	vs. Michigan (2)	5/8/92
4.	617	vs. Michigan (2)	5/10/91
5.	579	vs. Michigan (1)	5/5/96
6.	576	vs. Ohio State (1)	4/27/97
7.	555	vs. Michigan (2)	5/11/91
8.	464	vs. Michigan (2)	5/9/92
9.	459	vs. Indiana (2)	5/9/86
10.	454	vs. Purdue (2)	4/20/96

HONORS AND AWARDS

NSCA All-Mideast Region (second team)

Rachel Nelson, Amber Hegland, Steph Klaviter

All-Big Ten (second team)

Rachel Nelson, Amber Hegland

Most Valuable Player

Rachel Nelson

Big Ten Player of the Week

April 7 — Rachel Nelson

Big Ten Pitcher of the Week

April 7, April 14 — Jennifer Johnson

All-Tournament Team Selections

Steph Klaviter (Triangle Classic), Shannon Beeler (Triangle Classic), Ann Bartholmey (Triangle Classic), Amber Hegland (Troy Cox Invitational)

CoSIDA/GTE Academic All-America (third team)

Rachel Nelson

Academic All-Big Ten

Jennifer Bauer, Shannon Beeler, Jennifer Fox, Amber Hegland, Steph Klaviter, Steph Midthun, Renee Sbrocco, Lara Severson

"M" Letterwinners

Dana Ballard, Ann Bartholmey, Jennifer Bauer, Shannon Beeler, Michelle Bennett, Tracy Carey, Jennifer Fox, Jodi Halvorson, Amber Hegland, Steph Klaviter, Jennifer Johnson, Wendy Logue, Steph Midthun, Rachel Nelson, Laura Peters, Renee Sbrocco, Lara Severson

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of May 06, 1997)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 37-19-0 Home 12-2-0 Away: 7-13-0 Neutral: 18-4-0

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%
Lara Severson.....	.417	33-1	12	10	5	0	0	0	2	5	.417	0	0	1	0	.417	0	1	3-4	3	0	0	1.000
Amber Hegland.....	.400	56-56	165	26	66	9	0	1	40	78	.473	28	2	11	0	.490	1	0	4-7	38	73	7	.941
Rachel Nelson.....	.382	56-56	186	45	71	4	2	1	27	82	.441	18	0	24	0	.436	0	5	25-31	48	2	3	.943
Chantell Jernell....	.333	12-1	9	4	3	0	0	0	2	3	.333	0	1	3	0	.400	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Laura Peters.....	.331	54-51	124	25	41	0	0	0	4	41	.331	12	2	20	0	.399	0	15	22-26	99	89	6	.969
Steph Midthun.....	.326	50-49	129	25	42	2	0	0	6	44	.341	8	1	12	0	.370	0	13	14-15	43	1	3	.936
Shannon Beeler.....	.322	56-56	174	21	56	11	2	6	45	89	.511	17	1	15	1	.383	1	0	3-3	78	145	12	.949
Ann Bartholmey.....	.256	56-56	125	11	32	5	1	1	13	42	.336	3	10	3	0	.326	0	10	1-2	242	35	3	.989
Tracy Carey.....	.239	36-29	88	9	21	5	2	2	13	36	.409	10	0	13	0	.313	1	2	0-0	230	11	3	.988
Jennifer Fox.....	.221	45-28	95	8	21	5	0	0	17	26	.274	2	0	8	0	.237	0	3	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Jodi Halvorson.....	.218	54-54	133	9	29	2	0	0	13	31	.233	9	0	11	0	.268	0	5	0-1	220	93	7	.978
Renee Sbrocco.....	.197	50-43	127	20	25	3	1	1	16	33	.260	4	2	11	0	.233	0	4	4-5	28	1	2	.935
Wendy Logue.....	.182	4-4	11	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.182	0	0	3	0	.182	0	0	0-0	15	41	2	.961
Dana Ballard.....	.173	41-22	81	8	14	4	0	1	13	21	.259	6	3	12	0	.253	1	0	2-4	35	1	1	.973
Erin Brophy.....	.143	8-0	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.143	1	0	2	0	.250	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	10-0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.222	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Bauer.....	.000	1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
Michelle Bennett....	.000	35-0	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-4	0	0	0	.000
Aubree Espinosa.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	16-0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Johnson....	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	12	1	.938
Totals.....	.290	56-56	1477	240	429	50	8	13	213	534	.362	120	22	154	1	.352	4	59	83-107	1091	537	51	.97
Opponents.....	.212	56-56	1334	103	283	25	9	14	92	368	.276	55	9	229	1	.248	3	47	27-46	1079	515	79	.953

LOB - Team (364), Opp (255). DPs turned - Team (9), Opp (9). TPs turned - Team (1). IBB - Team (2), A. Hegland 1, T. Carey 1, Opp (3). Picked off - A. Hegland 1, L. Peters 1, R. Sbrocco 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
Jennifer Bauer.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	3.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	14	.100	0	0	0	0	0
Wendy Logue.....	1.30	12-5	25	20	8	6/3	0	113.1	90	31	21	15	33	9	5	1	449	.215	3	0	0	1	15
Steph Klaviter.....	1.32	16-4	28	21	11	5/3	0	138.0	121	38	26	21	74	9	2	2	562	.232	2	5	0	1	16
Jennifer Johnson....	1.86	9-10	31	15	8	2/6	8	109.1	71	34	29	15	118	7	2	11	423	.183	3	4	0	1	16
Totals.....	1.46	37-19	56	56	27	20/7	8	363.2	283	103	76	55	227	25	9	14	1448	.212	8	9	0	3	47
Opponents.....	3.46	19-37	56	56	39	5/0	1	359.2	429	240	178	120	154	49	8	13	1682	.290	16	22	0	4	59

PB - Team (3), A Bartholmey 3, Opp (11). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (3). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (27-44), S. Klaviter (10-21), W. Logue (15-20), J. Johnson (2-5).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of May 06, 1997)
 (Big Ten games only Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 10-13-0 Home 8-2-0 Away: 2-11-0

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%
Amber Hegland.....	.388	23-23	67	7	26	6	0	0	13	32	.478	10	1	4	0	.474	0	0	2-3	18	48	7	.904
Shannon Beeler.....	.343	23-23	67	4	23	4	0	0	10	27	.403	5	1	8	1	.397	0	0	0-0	29	58	5	.946
Jachel Nelson.....	.338	23-23	71	18	24	1	0	1	9	28	.394	6	0	9	0	.390	0	3	9-11	19	1	2	.909
Laura Peters.....	.293	23-23	58	7	17	0	0	0	2	17	.293	5	1	13	0	.359	0	8	5-9	53	45	3	.970
Steph Midthun.....	.255	23-23	51	9	13	0	0	0	1	13	.255	2	1	5	0	.296	0	6	6-6	22	1	1	.958
Shantell Jernell....	.250	3-1	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	0	0	2	0	.250	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Erin Brophy.....	.200	6-0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	1	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Fox.....	.193	20-20	57	3	11	2	0	0	8	13	.228	1	0	7	0	.207	0	3	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Ann Bartholmey.....	.160	23-23	50	1	8	2	0	1	4	13	.260	3	5	2	0	.276	0	4	0-0	95	17	1	.991
Jenee Sbrocco.....	.145	22-21	62	9	9	1	1	1	8	15	.242	2	1	4	0	.185	0	2	3-3	15	0	2	.882
Jodi Halvorson.....	.137	22-22	51	1	7	1	0	0	6	8	.157	3	0	5	0	.185	0	2	0-0	168	16	4	.979
Dana Ballard.....	.053	15-2	19	0	1	1	0	0	4	2	.105	0	0	4	0	.050	1	0	0-0	10	0	0	1.000
Tracy Carey.....	.000	6-2	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.200	1	0	0-0	15	3	0	1.000
Wendy Logue.....	.000	1-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	2	11	1	.929
Aubree Espinosa.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Lara Severson.....	.000	11-0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	13-0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Johnson....	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	8	1	.900
Michelle Bennett....	.000	14-0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-2	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.245	23-23	575	71	141	18	1	3	67	170	.296	40	10	68	1	.305	2	29	28-39	451	217	28	.960
Opponents.....	.237	23-23	558	60	132	9	4	8	56	173	.310	27	7	93	1	.280	1	32	6-13	457	207	26	.962

LOB - Team (128), Opp (114). DPs turned - Team (6), Opp (3). TPs turned - Team (1). IBB - Team (1), A. Hegland 1, Opp (3).
 Picked off - A. Hegland 1, L. Peters 1.

(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
Wendy Logue.....	1.93	2-3	9	8	1	1/1	0	32.2	31	14	9	6	9	3	1	0	136	.254	1	0	0	0	8
Steph Klaviter.....	2.18	4-2	12	6	2	1/1	0	54.2	53	21	17	9	22	3	1	1	230	.251	1	3	0	0	10
Jennifer Johnson....	2.33	4-8	17	9	6	1/2	3	63.0	48	25	21	12	60	3	2	7	259	.211	2	4	0	1	14
Totals.....	2.19	10-13	23	23	9	5/2	3	150.1	132	60	47	27	91	9	4	8	625	.235	4	7	0	1	32
Opponents.....	2.30	13-10	23	23	16	3/0	0	152.1	141	71	50	40	68	17	1	3	656	.245	6	10	0	2	29

PB - Team (1), A Bartholmey 1, Opp (3). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (6-12), W. Logue (5-9), S. Klaviter (1-3), J. Johnson (0-1).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Game Results for MINNESOTA (as of May 05, 1997)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 11-1	11	15	0/	1	4	1	5	1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 1-0)		50
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 17-0	17	16	0/	0	3	3	5	2- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 1-0)		50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Baylor	0-1 L	0	7	1/	1	3	2	7	2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (L 1-1)		50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Texas A&M	W 4-3	4	9	3/	3	5	3	(8)	3- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 2-0)		50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Stephen F. Austin	3-6 L	3	9	4/	6	9	0	7	3- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (L 2-1)		50
Feb 16, 1997	vs Louisiana Tech	W 2-0	2	6	0/	0	3	2	7	4- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 1-0)		50
Feb 16, 1997	at Texas-Arlington	W 2-0	2	7	0/	0	3	1	7	5- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 3-1)		50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 5-2	5	9	0/	2	8	2	7	6- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 4-1)		50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 6-0	6	11	1/	0	3	1	7	7- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 2-1)		50
Feb 21, 1997	vs Maryland	W 1-0	1	2	0/	0	2	1	6	8- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 5-1)		50
Feb 21, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 4-0	4	10	0/	0	3	2	5	9- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 3-1)		50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Robert Morris	W 15-1	15	14	1/	1	6	1	4	10- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 4-1)		50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Temple	W 9-0	9	12	0/	0	1	2	5	11- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 2-0)		50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Ohio	W 4-0	4	11	1/	0	3	0	7	12- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 6-1)		50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Illinois-Chicago	W 3-1	3	10	0/	1	3	0	7	13- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 3-0)		50
Feb 23, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 8-0	8	10	1/	0	3	3	5	14- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 5-1)		50
Feb 27, 1997	vs New Mexico	W 4-2	4	7	2/	2	4	4	7	15- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 6-1)		50
Feb 27, 1997	vs Baylor	4-5 L	4	9	1/	5	11	0	(8)	15- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (L 6-2)		50
Feb 28, 1997	vs Wichita State	W 6-2	6	8	0/	2	6	2	7	16- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 7-1)		50
Feb 28, 1997	at New Mexico State	0-2 L	0	3	0/	2	3	2	7	16- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 3-1)		50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Furman	W 8-1	8	12	1/	1	3	0	7	17- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 8-1)		50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Ohio State	2-4 L	2	8	1/	4	9	2	7	17- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (L 8-2)		50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Loyola	W 8-0	8	8	0/	0	1	2	6	18- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 7-2)		50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Texas Tech	W 7-4	7	14	0/	4	8	0	7	19- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 4-1)		50
Mar 24, 1997	at Georgia Tech	W 5-1	5	8	1/	1	5	1	7	20- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 8-2)		30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	W 5-1	5	10	1/	1	4	2	(8)	21- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 9-2)		30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	2-4 L	2	4	1/	4	6	1	7	21- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-2)		30
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	1-3 L	1	3	1/	3	4	3	7	21- 7- 0	0- 1- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-3)		80
*Mar 29, 1997	vs Michigan State	4-11 L	4	9	3/	11	15	2	7	21- 8- 0	0- 2- 0	S. Klaviter (L 9-3)		105
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	2-3 L	2	5	1/	3	8	1	7	21- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-4)		105
Apr 02, 1997	Mankato State	W 5-0	5	7	1/	0	4	4	7	22- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 5-4)		265 5:30
Apr 02, 1997	Mankato State	W 3-2	3	8	1/	2	6	1	7	23- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 10-3)		265 1:35
*Apr 05, 1997	Indiana	W 9-1	9	7	0/	1	4	2	5	24- 9- 0	1- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 6-4)		382 1:15
*Apr 05, 1997	vs Indiana	W 12-2	12	16	3/	2	4	3	5	25- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 11-3)		382 1:45
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 2-0	2	4	1/	0	4	1	7	26- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	W. Logue (W 9-2)		50 1:35
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 8-0	8	7	0/	0	6	2	5	27- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 12-3)		50 1:35
*Apr 12, 1997	Penn State	W 3-0	3	5	1/	0	2	2	7	28- 9- 0	3- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 7-4)		340 1:50
*Apr 12, 1997	vs Penn State	W 7-0	7	11	2/	0	5	1	7	29- 9- 0	4- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 13-3)		340 2:10
*Apr 13, 1997	Penn State	W 4-3	4	11	1/	3	4	1	7	30- 9- 0	5- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 8-4)		358 2:00
*Apr 16, 1997	at Northwestern	3-4 L	3	6	0/	4	2	0	7	30-10- 0	5- 4- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-5)		50 1:45
*Apr 16, 1997	vs Northwestern	W 1-0	1	6	1/	0	4	0	(8)	31-10- 0	6- 4- 0	W. Logue (W 10-2)		50 1:45
*Apr 19, 1997	at Michigan	1-2 L	1	3	2/	2	6	1	(8)	31-11- 0	6- 5- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-6)		308 2:05
*Apr 19, 1997	vs Michigan	2-10 L	2	3	2/	10	10	2	6	31-12- 0	6- 6- 0	W. Logue (L 10-3)		308 1:50
*Apr 20, 1997	at Michigan	0-1 L	0	3	2/	1	5	3	7	31-13- 0	6- 7- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-7)		379 1:35
*Apr 23, 1997	Iowa	2-4 L	2	4	1/	4	10	0	7	31-14- 0	6- 8- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-8)		292 1:50
*Apr 23, 1997	vs Iowa	0-1 L	0	5	0/	1	8	1	7	31-15- 0	6- 9- 0	W. Logue (L 10-4)		292 1:45
*Apr 26, 1997	Ohio State	W 6-3	6	8	1/	3	5	1	7	32-15- 0	7- 9- 0	J. Johnson (W 9-8)		647 1:50
*Apr 26, 1997	vs Ohio State	W 4-1	4	4	0/	1	5	1	7	33-15- 0	8- 9- 0	S. Klaviter (W 14-3)		647 1:35
*Apr 27, 1997	Ohio State	W 3-0	3	6	1/	0	3	1	7	34-15- 0	9- 9- 0	W. Logue (W 11-4)		576 2:30
*Apr 29, 1997	at Wisconsin	2-3 L	2	4	0/	3	3	1	7	34-16- 0	9-10- 0	J. Johnson (L 9-9)		154 2:00
*Apr 29, 1997	vs Wisconsin	1-3 L	1	7	3/	3	7	0	7	34-17- 0	9-11- 0	W. Logue (L 11-5)		154 1:50
May 01, 1997	Drake	W 5-0	5	8	0/	0	5	2	7	35-17- 0	9-11- 0	S. Klaviter (W 15-3)		246 1:40
May 01, 1997	Drake	W 1-0	1	5	0/	0	4	3	(9)	36-17- 0	9-11- 0	W. Logue (W 12-5)		246 2:00
*May 3, 1997	at Purdue	0-2 L	0	3	1/	2	3	0	7	36-18- 0	9-12- 0	J. Johnson (L 9-10)		100 1:20
*May 3, 1997	vs Purdue	W 2-0	2	5	1/	0	3	0	7	37-18- 0	10-12- 0	S. Klaviter (W 16-3)		100 1:30
*May 4, 1997	at Purdue	2-3 L	2	7	1/	3	12	0	7	37-19- 0	10-13- 0	S. Klaviter (L 16-4)		100 1:40

*Conference game
 #Tournament game
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*Catch what
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1996-97 Minnesota Results

FALL SEASON

SEPTEMBER

14-15	Minnesota Inv. 2nd of 15 teams	619
20-22	at Lady Northern (East Lansing, Mich.) 8th of 15 teams	953
28-29	at Lady Badger (Madison, Wis.) 1st of 11 teams	938

OCTOBER

5-6	at Huskie Classic (DeKalb, Ill.) 1st of 13 teams	634
12-13	at Northwestern Inv. (Evanston, Ill.) 1st of 6 teams	928
13	Gopher Fall Classic No team scores	

SPRING SEASON

FEBRUARY

21-22	at Midwest Classic (Sun City, Ariz.) 2nd of 9 teams	610
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MARCH

10-11	at Peggy Kirk Bell Inv. (Winter Park, Fla.) 9th of 15 teams	997
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APRIL

5-6	at Indiana Inv. (Bloomington, Ind.) 4th of 17 teams	649
19-20	at Hawkeye Inv. (Iowa City, Iowa) 6th of 8 teams	948

MAY

2-4	at Big Ten Championship (East Lansing, Mich.) 5th of 11 teams	1,297
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Home tournaments in bold at the Les Bolstad Golf Course (St. Paul, Minn.)



Golf 1996-97

The 1996-97 Season

Big Ten - Fifth

MINNESOTA SHUT OUT FROM NATIONAL PLAY

Minnesota women's head golf coach **Kathy Williams** was not surprised to learn that Minnesota was not chosen as a team to compete in the NCAA East Regional. What came as a surprise was that no Minnesota individual was chosen to compete. This is the first time in the five-year history of the East Regional that Minnesota has not been represented at the national championship-qualifying tournament.

BIG TEN WRAP-UP

The University of Minnesota women's golf team placed fifth at the 16th Annual Big Ten Women's Golf Championships in East Lansing, Mich. The Gophers finished at 1,297 strokes after rounds of 330, 319, 329 and 319. Ohio State won its sixth team title, finishing at 1,246. Indiana was second at 1,257, and was followed by Penn State (1,283), Michigan (1,285), the Gophers, Purdue (1,302), Northwestern (1,307), Michigan State (1,307), Wisconsin (1,315), Iowa (1,323) and Illinois (1,354). The 72-hole tournament, hosted by Michigan State was played on the 5,818 yard, par 72 Forest Akers West Golf Course.

Junior **Amy Dahle** was named an all-Big Ten selection at the conference championships for the second consecutive season. **Dahle**, playing in the No. 3 spot for Minnesota, led the team by tying for seventh with rounds of 81, 81, 76 and 79 for 317 strokes, 12 strokes behind tournament winner Amy Langhals of Ohio State.

Seniors **Carolyn Klecker** and **Cathy Lindblad** tied for 31st place at 331. **Klecker**, playing in the No. 1 position for the Gophers, posted rounds of 84, 80, 84 and 83, while Lindblad at No. 6 had scores of 85, 81, 85 and 80.

Playing in the No. 5 spot for Minnesota, sophomore **Michelle Ballou** placed 37th with scores of 84, 77, 87 and 84 for 332. At No. 2, sophomore **Melanie Lepp** had a 72-hole 334 after rounds of 86, 85, 84 and 79. Junior **Keri Sawvell** tied for 48th-place with marks of 81, 88, 89 and 81 for 339.

A LOOK AT THE SEASON

The Gophers started the fall portion of its split season with a second-place finish at the 15-team Minnesota Invitational. Minnesota carded rounds of 312 and 307 to finish at 619 behind tournament winner and top-20 ranked Oregon at 611. Oregon set a University of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course record with its 36-hole score. The previous record was 617 set by Indiana in '96 at the Minnesota Invitational. Iowa State was third at 631, followed by Kansas (640) and Arkansas-Little Rock (642).

Sawvell set two collegiate-best marks and tied another at the Minnesota Invitational when she finished third at 151 after rounds of 75 and 76. Her third-place finish was her best collegiate finish ever, with her previous low finish of ninth at the Iowa Invitational in '96. **Sawvell's** 151 was four strokes better than her previous 36-hole total of 155, set in February of '96 at the Midwest Classic. Her first round 75 tied her low 18-hole score, also set the Midwest Classic. Two other Gophers finished in the top 10 at the Minnesota Invitational. **Klecker** was fourth after rounds of 75 and 77 to finish at 152. **Dahle** tied for ninth place at 156 after rounds of 80 and 76.

In their second tournament, the Gophers finished eighth at the Lady Northern Invitational at 953 with marks of 319, 311 and 323 in the 15-team field. Minnesota was led by **Dahle** and **Klecker**, who tied for 21st at 239.

The mid-field finish at the Lady Northern was the turning point for the Gophers,

1996-97 Minnesota Golf Roster

Name	Yr.	Swing	Exp.	Hometown / High School / College
Michelle Ballou	So.	R	1V	Chaska, MN / Chaska
Donna Boom	So.	R	SQ	Albert Lea, MN / Albert Lea
Jenny Bruun	Fr.	R	RS	Crookston, MN / Central
Amy Dahle	Jr.	R	3V	Red Lake Falls, MN / Lafayette
Glenna Gilbert	So.	R	SQ	Bloomington, MN / Jefferson
Monica Haag	Fr.	R	RS	Duluth, MN / Duluth East
Carolyn Klecker	Sr.	R	3V	River Falls, WI / River Falls
Melanie Lepp	So.	R	2V	Easton, MN / United South Central
Cathy Lindblad	Sr.	R	2V	Willmar, MN / Willmar
Emily Norby	So.	R	SQ	Grand Forks, ND / Red River / Ohio State
Kristin Olson	Jr.	R	SQ	Glencoe, MN / Glencoe/Luther
Marcy Savage	Jr.	R	SQ	Hibbing, MN / Hibbing
Keri Sawvell	Jr.	R	2V	Prairie du Chien, WI / Prairie
Jenny Trendera	Sr.	R	1V	Owatonna, MN / Owatonna
Kristi Weichert	So.	R	SQ	Caledonia, MN / Caledonia

Head Coach: Kathy Williams
Assistant Coach: Glen Peterson

V - Varsity Letters, RS - Redshirt, SQ - Squad Member

as the team turned its game around, winning their next three tournaments and recording 10 top-10 finishes.

Minnesota won its seventh team title in the 15-event history of the Lady Badger Invitational in Madison, Wis., defeating the number two team by 19 strokes. The Gophers finished at 938 after rounds of 312, 321 and 305, well ahead of second-place Purdue at 957 and third-place Michigan at 961. Minnesota also won the Lady Badger in 1976, 1977, 1978, 1984, 1985 and 1988, and has finished among the top three teams 11 times since the tournament's 1976 inception.

Minnesota was led by **Klecker** with rounds of 80, 79 and 73 to tie for second at 232. **Klecker's** third round one-over par 73 was the low round of the tournament and ties the Lady Badger record for low third round score. **Dahle** and **Lindblad** tied for fifth at 234 after **Dahle** had rounds of 77, 81 and 76 while **Lindblad** had scores of 78, 81 and 75.

The Gophers won the Northern Illinois Huskie Fall Classic in Genoa, Ill. with scores of 315 and 319 to finish at 634, two strokes ahead of host school Northern Illinois. **Lindblad** was the top Gopher in the field of 76 golfers, tying for second at 155 after rounds of 74 and 81. **Lepp** was fifth after scores of 81 and 78 to finish at 159. **Dahle** and **Sawvell** tied for ninth at 162 after **Dahle** had rounds of 82 and 80, and **Sawvell** carded a 78 and 84.

The golf team concluded its fall season by posting a double win at Northwestern's Wildcat Invitational. The Gophers won the team title and **Dahle** was the tournament medalist. All the Gophers finished among the top 15. Minnesota had rounds of 311, 307 and 310 to finish in first place at 928 in the field of six teams. **Dahle**, with her first win of the fall season, finished one-over par at 226 after

rounds of 81, 70 and 74. Her second-round, five-under 70 is a Lakeshore Country Club course record for women.

Klecker tied for fifth with rounds of 78, 79 and 79 to finish at 236. **Lindblad** finished at 237 with a seventh-place tie after rounds of 79, 82 and 76. **Lepp** tied for 10th with scores of 79, 78 and 81 to finish at 238.

During spring golf season, the Gophers finished in the top half of the field in two of their four tournaments. At the Midwest Invitational, the golf team was second in Surprise, Ariz. The Gophers had rounds of 311 and 299 to finish at 610, seven strokes behind tournament winner Northwestern. The Wildcats won at 603. The Gophers were led by **Klecker** in a tie for fourth with rounds of 76 and 76 for 152. **Lindblad**, **Sawvell** and **Lepp** all tied for seventh at 153.

The team finished ninth in a field of 15 teams at the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational. The Gophers had rounds of 328, 327 and 342 to finish at 997. Campbell University was first at 924. Minnesota was led by **Dahle**, who tied for eighth with rounds of 78, 79 and 79 to finish at 236.

Next in the lineup, the Gophers tied for fourth place with Iowa at 649 at the Indiana Invitational in Bloomington, Ind. Minnesota had rounds of 322 and 327 while the Haweyes had scores of 326 and 323 for the tie. The Gophers were led by **Dahle**, who tied for fifth at 154 after rounds of 75 and 79.

In the regular-season finale, Minnesota was sixth at the eight-team Hawkeye Invitational, with rounds of 320, 318 and 310 to finish at 948. The Gophers were led by **Klecker** with a ninth-place tie at 233 after rounds of 81, 76 and 76.

1997 Big Ten Conference Golf Championships
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Mich.)
Forest Akers West Golf Course (5,818 yards, par 72)

Final Team Standings

1.	Ohio State	313-312-314-307-1246
2.	Indiana	316-313-309-319-1257
3.	Penn State	329-322-317-315-1283
4.	Michigan	314-325-325-321-1285
5.	Minnesota	330-309-329-319-1297
6.	Purdue	315-331-331-325-1302
7.	Northwestern	330-332-329-316-1307
7.	Michigan State	329-336-325-317-1307
9.	Wisconsin	322-330-332-331-1315
10.	Iowa	342-328-326-327-1323
11.	Illinois	341-338-343-332-1354

Top Five Golfers

1.	Amy Langhals	Ohio State	80-75-76-74-305
2.	Michelle Hatfield	Indiana	83-78-72-77-310
3.	Karen England	Northwestern	78-81-81-73-313
4.	Jessica Luciuk	Ohio State	83-76-77-78-314
5.	Emily Marron	Penn State	79-77-75-84-315

The Gophers

T7.	Amy Dahle	81-81-76-79-317
T31.	Carolyn Klecker	84-80-84-83-331
T31.	Cathy Lindblad	85-81-85-80-331
37.	Michelle Ballou	84-77-87-84-332
40.	Melanie Lepp	86-85-84-79-334
T48.	Keri Sawvell	81-88-89-81-339

HONORS AND AWARDS

"M" Letterwinners

Michelle Ballou, Amy Dahle, Carolyn Klecker, Melanie Lepp, Cathy Lindblad, Keri Sawvell, Jenny Trenda

Berg Academic Award Winners

Michelle Ballou, Donna Boom, Amy Dahle, Glenna Gilbert, Monica Haag, Carolyn Klecker, Melanie Lepp, Emily Norby, Kristin Olson, Keri Sawvell, Jenny Trenda, Kristi Weichert

Co-Captains

Carolyn Klecker, Cathy Lindblad

All-Big Ten

Amy Dahle

GTE/CoSIDA District Academic All-American

Amy Dahle

Academic All-Big Ten

Michelle Ballou, Amy Dahle, Jenny Trenda

Co-Most Valuable Player

Amy Dahle, Carolyn Klecker

Most Improved

Michelle Ballou

Medalist Honors

Amy Dahle, Northwestern Invitational
 Michelle Ballou, Gopher Fall Classic

Special Event Award (Hole in One)

Keri Sawvell (March 11, Alaqua CC, Winter Park, FL)

NGCA All-American Scholars

Amy Dahle, Melanie Lepp

NGCA All-Scholar Team

Michelle Ballou, Donna Boom, Amy Dahle, Glenna Gilbert, Monica Haag, Carolyn Klecker, Melanie Lepp, Emily Norby, Kristin Olson, Jenny Trenda, Marcy Savage, Kristi Weichert

1996-97 Player by Player Summary **

Player	Tourn- aments	Rounds/ Counted	Strokes	Avg	18	Best Rounds			Under			Finishes		
						36*	54	72	Par	Par	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Top 20
Michelle Ballou	7	17/8	1391	81.82	78	159	242	332	0	0	1	1	1	2
Donna Boom	3	7/2	573	81.86	79	165	239		0	0	0	0	0	0
Amy Dahle	10	27/24	2120	78.52	70	154	226	317	1	1	1	3	7	8
Glenna Gilbert	1	2/0	171	85.50	84	171			0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolyn Klecker	10	27/23	2162	80.19	73	152	232	331	0	0	0	4	5	6
Melanie Lepp	9	24/16	1940	80.83	73	153	238	334	0	0	0	1	3	5
Cathy Lindblad	9	24/15	1948	81.17	73	153	234	331	0	0	0	2	4	4
Emily Norby	1	1/0	87	87.00	87				0	0	0	0	0	0
Marcy Savage	2	3/0	253	84.33	82	164			0	0	0	0	0	0
Keri Sawvell	10	27/17	2200	81.48	74	151	240	339	0	1	0	1	3	4
Jenny Trenda	3	6/2	487	81.17	79	159	245		0	0	0	1	1	2
Kristi Weichert	3	6/0	504	84.00	78	164	258		0	0	0	1	1	1

*Low 36-hole tournament score, **Includes all tournaments

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Fall Statistics

						Fall			
		Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Total	Place	Str	Rds	Avg
9/14-15/96	Minnesota Invite	312	307		619	2nd/15 teams	619	2	309.50
9/20-22/96	Lady Northern	319	311	323	953	8th/15 teams	1572	5	314.40
9/28-29/96	Lady Badger	312	321	305	938	1st/11 teams	2510	8	313.75
10/5-6/96	Huskie Classic	315	319		634	1st/13 teams	3144	10	314.40
10/12-13/96	Northwestern Invite	311	307	310	928	1st/6 teams	4072	13	313.23
10/13/96	Gopher Fall Classic	no team scoring							

	Minnesota Invite (74)				Lady Northern (74)				Lady Badger (72)				Huskie Classic (72)			Northwestern Invite (75)							
	R1	R2	Tot.		R1	R2	R3	Tot.		R1	R2	R3	Tot.		R1	R2	R3	Tot.					
Michelle Ballou	81	79	160	t-19th	84	78	80	242	t-31st						82	84	166	t-21st					
Donna Boom	85	80	165	t-35th											85	84	169	t-27th	79	80	80	239	12th
Amy Dahle	80	76	156	t-9th	78	78	83	239	t-21st	77	81	76	234	t-5th	82	80	162	t-9th	81	70	75	226	1st
Glenna Gilbert	87	84	171	t-60th																			
Carolyn Klecker	75	77	152	4th	80	79	80	239	t-21 st	80	79	73	232	t-2nd	84	80	164	t-16th	78	79	79	236	t-5th
Melanie Lepp	85	78	163	t-26th						77	80	85	242	t-16th	81	78	159	5th	79	78	81	238	t-10th
Cathy Lindblad	83	80	163	t-26th	84	76	83	243	t-37th	78	81	75	234	t-5th	74	81	155	2nd	79	82	76	237	t-7th
Emily Norby																							
Marcy Savage	82	82	164	t-31st																			
Keri Sawvell	76	75	151	3rd	78	79	83	240	24th	86	81	81	248	t-30th	78	84	162	t-9th	75	82	83	240	t-13th
Jenny Trenda	79	80	159	t-17th	83	82	80	245	t-41st														
Kristi Weichert	86	78	164	t-31st																			

	Gopher Invite (74)*#		Fall 1996			Career Fall			Career			
	R1	Tot.	Str.	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	
Michelle Ballou	81	81	1st	649	8	81.13	816	10	81.60	1256	15	83.73
Donna Boom				573	7	81.86	734	9	81.56	1163	14	83.07
Amy Dahle				1017	13	78.23	2997	38	78.87	5725	72	79.51
Glenna Gilbert				171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker				1023	13	78.69	3141	39	80.54	6171	76	81.20
Melanie Lepp				802	10	80.20	1941	24	80.88	2725	33	82.58
Cathy Lindblad				1032	13	79.38	2432	30	81.07	3611	44	82.07
Emily Norby	87	87	t-8th	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00
Marcy Savage	89	89	11th	253	3	84.33	672	8	84.00	672	8	84.00
Keri Sawvell				1041	13	80.08	2432	30	81.07	2925	36	81.25
Jenny Trenda	83	83	3rd	487	6	81.17	1151	14	82.21	2124	25	84.96
Kristi Weichert	82	82	2nd	246	3	82.00	419	5	83.80	419	5	83.80

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competed as individuals, no team scoring

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Spring and Season Statistics

		Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Total	Place	Spring			Season			1996 Fall Results		
								Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Tournament	Score	Place
2/21-22/97	Midwest Classic	311	299			610	2nd/9 teams	610	2	305.00	4682	15	312.13	Minnesota Inv.	619	2nd/15 teams
3/10-11/97	Peggy Kirk Bell Inv.	328	327	342		997	9th/15 teams	1607	5	321.40	5679	18	315.50	Lady Northern	953	8th/15 teams
4/5-6/97	Indiana Invitational	322	327			649	4th/17 teams	2256	7	322.29	6328	20	316.40	Lady Badger	938	1st/11 teams
4/19-20/97	Hawkeye Invitational	320	318	310		948	6th/8teams	3204	10	320.40	7276	23	316.35	Huskie Classic	634	1st/13 teams
5/2-4/97	Big Ten Champ.	330	319	329	319	1297	5th/11 teams	4501	14	321.50	8573	27	317.52	Northwestern Inv.	928	1st/6 teams

	Midwest Classic (72)*				Peggy Kirk Bell Inv. (72)				Indiana Invite (74)				Iowa Invitational (73)				Spring		
	R1	R2	Tot.		R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou	79	80	159 t-27th										79	91	81	251 42nd	742	9	82.44
Donna Boom																			
Amy Dahle	79	76	155 t-19th		78	79	79	236 t-8th	75	79	154 t-5th		83	78	80	241 t-25th	1103	14	78.79
Glenna Gilbert																			
Carolyn Klecker	76	76	152 t-4th		84	86	84	254 t-44th	85	84	169 51st		81	76	76	233 t-9th	1139	14	81.36
Melanie Lepp	77	76	153 t-7th		82	80	88	250 36th	81	84	165 t-31st		79	84	73	236 t-13th	1138	14	81.29
Cathy Lindblad	80	73	153 t-7th		89	85	91	265 t-61st	87	80	167 t-39th						916	11	83.27
Emily Norby																			
Marcy Savage																			
Keri Sawvell	79	74	153 t-7th		84	83	92	259 t-53rd	81	84	165 t-31st		81	80	82	243 t-31st	1159	14	82.79
Jenny Trendera																			
Kristi Weichert													81	90	87	258 46th	258	3	86.00

	Big Ten Championship (72)*					Season			Fall			Career		
	R1	R2	R3	R4*	Tot	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou	84	77	87	84	332 37th	1391	17	81.82	649	8	81.13	1998	24	83.25
Donna Boom						573	7	81.86	573	7	81.86	1163	14	83.07
Amy Dahle	81	81	76	79	317 t-7th	2120	27	78.52	1017	13	78.23	6828	86	79.40
Glenna Gilbert						171	2	85.50	171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker	84	80	84	83	331 t-31st	2162	27	80.07	1023	13	78.69	7310	90	81.22
Melanie Lepp	86	85	84	79	334 40th	1940	24	80.83	802	10	80.20	3863	47	82.19
Cathy Lindblad	85	81	85	80	331 t-31st	1948	24	81.17	1032	13	79.38	4527	55	82.31
Emily Norby						87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00
Marcy Savage						253	3	84.33	253	3	84.33	672	8	84.00
Keri Sawvell	81	88	89	81	339 t-48th	2200	27	81.48	1041	13	80.08	4342	53	81.92
Jenny Trendera						487	6	81.17	487	6	81.17	2124	25	84.96
Kristi Weichert						504	6	84.00	246	3	82.00	677	8	84.63

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1997 Minnesota Results

INDOOR SEASON

JANUARY

- 11 Northwest Open
25 Minnesota Invitational

FEBRUARY

- 8 at Iowa State Invitational
(Ames, Iowa)
15 Minnesota Open
22-23 at Big Ten Championships
(Champaign, Ill.)

OUTDOOR SEASON

MARCH

- 23-30 at North Carolina State
(Raleigh, N.C.)

APRIL

- 12 at Missouri Invitational
(Columbia, Mo.)
at Sea Ray Invitational
(Knoxville, Tenn.)
18-19 at Mt. Sac Relays
(Walnut, Calif.)
at St. Olaf Invitational
(Northfield, Minn.)
25-26 at Drake Relays
(Des Moines, Iowa)
at Penn Relays
(Philadelphia, Pa.)
at Macalaster Invitational
(St. Paul, Minn.)

MAY

- 3 Minnesota Classic
10 Minnesota Open
17 Minnesota Last Chance
23-25 at Big Ten Championships
(Champaign, Ill.)

JUNE

- 4-7 at NCAA Championships
(Indianapolis, Ind.)

Indoor home meets in bold at the University Fieldhouse.

Outdoor home meets in bold at the Bierman Track & Field Stadium.

Complete team scores included in the following pages.



Track & Field 1997

The 1997 Season

Big Ten Indoor Championship – Sixth
Big Ten Outdoor Championship – Seventh

1997 INDOOR SEASON REVIEW

It was a season of records during the indoor season. In all, six school records and five frosh records were broken.

Minnesota's newcomers made an instant impact. During the Northwest Open, the first meet of the season, one meet record and two frosh records were broken.

Christine Gulbrandsen set a meet record, as well as a frosh record, in the triple jump with a leap of 40-11. **Daphne Panhuysen** also set a frosh record, in the 3000 meters in a time of 9:46.80. The Gophers had nine event winners in all, with junior transfer **Chanteau White** leading the way with two wins, the 55-meter dash and the 55-meter hurdles.

The Gophers sent three athletes to the Badger State Classic in Madison, Wis., and came away with two event wins. **Dani Parkos** won the shot put while **Gulbrandsen** captured the triple jump.

The Gophers were back in Minneapolis the next weekend for the Minnesota Invitational. **Chanteau White** broke the school record in the 55-meter dash in 6.97 seconds, a record held previously by teammate **Kim Heath**. **White** also took first place in the long jump and second place in the 55 meter hurdles. **Natalie Smith** placed first in the triple jump. **Andrea Lentz**, **Keri Zweig**, and **Minna Haronoja** placed second, third, and fourth in the mile run. **Panhuysen** was just two seconds off her own frosh record in the 3000-meter run in a time of 9:48.28, which placed her second in that event. **Kari Thompson**, **Amy Hoel** and **Janet Howe** placed second, third, and fourth in the 5000-meter run. In the shot put, **Parkos** placed second and **Tina McDonald** third. As a team, Minnesota placed first with 142 points, 43 ahead of second-place North Dakota State.

At the Mercantile Bank Invitational, **Parkos** placed first in the shot put and recorded the first of five NCAA provisional-qualifying marks in the event. **McDonald's** 47-7 3/4 was third in that event also with a provisional mark. **Smith** placed in three events, taking first place in both the long jump and the triple jump and placing eighth in the 55-meter hurdles. **Gulbrandsen** placed second in the triple jump with a leap of 39-4 1/2.

Four new Minnesota school records were set at the Iowa State Classic in Ames, Iowa. **Chanteau White's** 19-11 1/2 in the long jump and :07.68 in the 60-meter dash were both new school records. **Gulbrandsen** broke the school record in the triple jump. Her mark of 41-3 3/4 was 1/4 inch better than the previous record held by current volunteer coach Lori Hardrick. **Yvette White** set a school record in the 400 meter dash with a time of :56.71. Minnesota had two event winners: **Gulbranson** was first in the triple jump and **Parkos** first in the shot put. Both athletes provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships.

Another school record was broken the next week at the Minnesota Open at the University Fieldhouse. The 4x200-meter relay team of **Smith**, **Shellie Brags**, **Heath** and **Yvette White** set a new school record of 1:42.79, which broke the previous record of 1:42.98 set in 1995. **Panhuysen** set her second frosh record of the season, this time in the 1000-meter run with a time of 2:52.68. In all, Minnesota won 12 of 19 events.

Minnesota had its best showing ever at the Big Ten Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships in 1997. The Gophers finished sixth, their highest finish ever, with 52 points, which was their highest point total ever.

1997 Track and Field Roster

Name	Event(s)	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/College)
Megan Amundson	Distance	Fr.	SQ	Grafton, WI (Grafton)
Tiffany Barron	Distance	Fr.	SQ	Pelican Rapids, MN (Pelican Rapids)
Apasha Blocker	Heptathlon	So.	2V	Brockport, NY (Brockport)
Shellie Braggs	Sprints	Jr.	2V	Dallas, TX (Lincoln)
Alissa Bruss	Hurdles	Fr.	SQ	Wells, MN (United South Central)
Nicole Chimko	Throws	Fr.	1V	Aldersyde, Alberta (Foothills Composite)
Beth Cordes	Distance	Fr.	SQ	Apple Valley, MN (Rosemount)
Aimee Daugs	Distance	Fr.	SQ	Watertown, WI (Watertown)
Kay Fuller	Hurdles	Fr.	1V	Verndale, MN (Verndale)
Alisa Gartner	Sprints	Fr.	1V	Buffalo, MN (Buffalo)
Danielle Giusti	Distance	So.	SQ	Lake St. Louis, MO (Victor)
Julie Golla	Middle Distance	So.	SQ	Rochester, MN (John Marshall)
Christine Gulbrandsen	Jumps	Fr.	1V	Kristiansand, Norway (Kristiansand Katedralskole)
Anna Gullingsrud	Distance	So.	1V	Shoreview, MN (Mounds View/Purdue)
Gillian Haro	Distance	So.	SQ	Minneapolis, MN (Southwest)
Minna Haronoja	Middle Distance	Fr.	1V	Illo, Finland (Vammala Secondary School)
Kimberly Heath	Sprints	So.	2V	Pittsburgh, PA (Schenley)
Christie Heikes	Distance	Jr.	SQ	Montevideo, MN (Montevideo)
Angela Hill	Throws	Fr.	SQ	Poplar Bluff, MO (Poplar Bluff)
Amy Hoel	Distance	So.	SQ	Cornell, WI (Cornell)
Kim Hofner	Sprints	Sr.	2V	Burlington, WI (Burlington)
Janet Howe	Distance	Sr.	SQ	Siren, WI (Siren)
Genalyn Johnson	Distance	Fr.	SQ	Fon du Lac, WI (L.P. Goodrich)
Renee Kalmbach	Distance	So.	SQ	Bismark, ND (Minot)
Karen Kleindl	Distance	Sr.	SQ	Graceville, MN (Clinton-Graceville)
Andrea Lentz	Middle Distance	Jr.	2V	Willmar, MN (Willmar)
Tina McDonald	Throws	So.	2V	Amherstburg, Ontario (General Amherst)
Marissa McGill	Distance	So.	SQ	Plymouth, MN (Armstrong)
Laurie McGinley	Distance	Fr.	SQ	Mauston, WI (Mauston Area)
Brenda Meyer	Throws	Fr.	SQ	Watertown, WI (Watertown)
Daphne Panhuysen	Middle Distance	Fr.	1V	Maastricht, Netherlands ('t Stedelyle)
Danielle Parkos	Throws	Sr.	4V	Grand Forks, ND (Central)
Nikki Rassbach	Distance	So.	SQ	Chippewa Falls, WI (Chippewa Falls)
Mellodee Rush	Sprints	Fr.	SQ	Anchorage, AK (East)
Aubrey Schmitt	Throws	Fr.	SQ	Hastings, MN (Hastings)
Natalie Smith	Jumps	Fr.	1V	St. Thomas, Barbados (The St. Michael School)
Kristie Stiles	Sprints	Fr.	1V	Eden Prairie, MN (Eden Prairie)
Andrea Swansby	Distance	Jr.	SQ	Pewaukee, WI (Kettle Moraine)
Kari Thompson	Distance	Jr.	1V	Alexandria, MN (Jefferson)
Chanteau White	Sprints/Hurdles	Jr.	1V	Allen, Texas (Allen/Central State)
Yvette White	Sprints/Hurdles	So.	1V	Washington, DC (Woodrow Wilson)
Keri Zweig	Middle Distance	Sr.	2V	Excelsior, MN (Minnetonka)

Head Coach: Gary Wilson

Assistant Coaches: Lynne Anderson, Jahan Culbreath, Lori Hardrick

V - Varsity Letters Earned, SQ - Squad Member in '97.

In the process, **Chanteau White** broke her own school record in the 55-meter dash, at 6.96 seconds, set during the preliminaries.

Minnesota had two placewinners in each of three events. In the shot put, **Parkos** placed third with a throw of 50-2 3/4 and **McDonald** fifth with a throw of 48-4 3/4. Both marks were personal bests and provisional qualifiers for the NCAA championships. In the triple jump, **Gulbrandsen** was third with a leap of 40-6 and **Natalie Smith** (38-3 1/2) was seventh. In the 5000-meter run, **Anna Gullingsrud** was seventh and **Thompson** finished eighth.

Other Minnesota scorers: **Chanteau White** placed fourth in the long jump, fifth in the 55-meter dash and seventh in the 55-meter hurdles. **Panhuysen** finished fifth in the mile run. **Yvette White** placed seventh in the 400-meter dash. Minnesota's distance medley relay team of **Zweig**, **Yvette White**, **Haronoja** and **Lentz** placed fifth with a time of 11:58.55. The 4x400-meter relay team of **Smith**, **Braggs**, **Apasha Blocker** and **Yvette White** placed seventh. **Blocker** also placed third in the pentathlon and seventh in the high jump. **Kristie Stiles** set a Minnesota frosh record in the 600-meter dash with a time of 1:36.26.

Wisconsin was the team winner with 119 points, easily outdistancing second-place Michigan with 82 points. The Badgers were led by Kathy Butler, who defended all three of her individual titles: the mile run, 3000-meter run and the 5000-meter run.

The Gophers had one more record to break before the end of the season. **Chanteau White** broke her own record in the 60-meter dash at the Last Chance Meet in Ames, Iowa.

Although the Gophers had no qualifiers for the NCAA Indoor Championships, the newcomers showed that the team has a lot to look forward to in the seasons to come.

INDOOR NCAA PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS —

Chanteau White, 55-meter dash, two times
 Chanteau White, long jump
 Daphne Panhuysen, 3000-meter run
 Christine Gulbrandsen, triple jump
 Dani Parkos, shot put, five times
 Tina McDonald, shot put

MINNESOTA INDOORS RECORDS SET IN 1997 —

Varsity Records

55-meter dash: Chanteau White, :06.96
 60-meter dash: Chanteau White, :07.56
 400-meter dash: Yvette White, :56.71
 Long Jump: Chanteau White, 19-11 1/2 (6.08m)
 Triple Jump: Christine Gulbrandsen, 41-3 3/4 (12.59m)

Frosh Records

600-meter run: Kristie Stiles, 1:36.26
 1000-meter run: Daphne Panhuysen, 2:52.68
 3000-meter run: Daphne Panhuysen, 9:46.80
 Long Jump: Natalie Smith, 19-3 (5.87m)
 Triple Jump: Christine Gulbrandsen, 41-3 3/4 (12.59m)

MINNESOTA'S ALL-TIME INDOOR TOP TEN LIST

— **Chanteau White** ranks in the top ten of four all-time lists. **White** holds school records in the 55-meter dash, 60-meter dash and the long jump. She also holds fifth place in the 55-meter hurdles. **Yvette White** ranks on three lists: first in the 400-meter dash, eighth in the 55-meter hurdles and eighth in the 200-meter dash. **Apasha Blocker** is the school record holder in the pentathlon and also ranks ninth all-time in the triple jump and 10th in the high jump. **Christine Gulbrandsen** holds the top spot in the triple jump and is 10th in the 55-meter hurdles. **Kim Heath** ranks first in the 200-meter dash and second in the 55-meter dash. **Daphne Panhuysen** ranks second all-time in the 1000-meter run, fifth in the mile and sixth in the 3000 meter run. In the shot put, **Dani Parkos** holds the number two spot while **Tina McDonald** is sixth. **Natalie Smith** ranks third in the long jump and fourth in the triple jump. The distance medley relay team of **Andrea Lentz**, **Yvette White**, **Kristie Stiles** and **Daphne Panhuysen** ranks second. Two 4x400-meter relay teams moved into the top ten this season. The team of **Natalie Smith**, **Shellie Braggs**, **Apasha Blocker** and **Yvette White** are fifth all-time, while the team of **Shellie Braggs**, **Yvette White**, **Kay Fuller** and **Alisa Gartner** ranks sixth. **Kristie Stiles** is sixth in the 600-meter run and **Anna Gullingsrud** is eighth in the 5000-meter run. **Shellie Braggs** is seventh in the 400-meter dash and 10th in the 200-meter dash. **Andrea Lentz** is ninth in the mile run, while **Keri Zweig** is 10th in the 1000 meter run.

1997 OUTDOOR SEASON REVIEW

Dani Parkos led the Minnesota throws team to new heights during the 1997 outdoor season. **Parkos** won the Big Ten shot put championship with a career-best mark of 51 feet, 10 1/2 inches and advanced to the NCAA championships.

The throwers started the season with a bang at the Raleigh Relays, where **Parkos** provisionally qualified for the NCAA championships in two events and **Nicole Chimko** in one. **Parkos** won the discus with a throw of 161-5 and took second in the shot put with 48-1 1/4. **Chimko** set her mark in the javelin with a throw of 156-11.

At the Tom Botts Invitational, hosted by the University of Missouri, **Parkos** and **Chimko** won two of Minnesota's three event titles. **Parkos** won the shot put with a throw of 44-6, while **Chimko** won the javelin with a toss of 148-7, and sophomore **Apasha Blocker** the high jump with a jump of 5-5. **Parkos** was also second in the discus with a toss of 158-11. **Natalie Smith** was second in two events, the long jump (18-3) and the triple jump (37-5). **Yvette White** was second in the 100-meter hurdles (:14.89) and third in the 400-meter hurdles (1:06.41). Other top-three finishers for the Gophers: **Anna Gullingsrud**, second in the 5000-meter run (17:37.46); **Christine Gulbrandsen**, third in the triple jump (37-4); **Tina McDonald**, second in the shot put (44-5 1/4); **Kim Heath**, third in the 100-meter dash (:12.70); and

the 4x100-meter relay team of **Heath, Kim Hofner, Shellie Braggs** and **White** (:50.74).

The field events took center stage for the Gophers again at the Drake Relays. **Parkos** placed second in the shot put and third in the discus, while **Chimko** placed third in the javelin with a toss of 154-9. **Gulbrandsen's** triple jump of 40-2 was good for fifth place.

At the Minnesota Classic at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium, the Gophers won four events to finish second behind Marquette. Event champions were **Parkos** in the shot put title with an effort of 49-8 1/2, **Chimko** in the javelin with toss of 155-5, **Kristie Stiles** in the 400-meter dash in 57.76, and **Anna Gullingsrud** in the 5000 meters in 17:41.18.

Other top-three finishes: **Heath**, third in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes; **Parkos**, third in the discus; **Ali Gartner**, third in the 400-meter dash; **Andrea Lentz**, second in the 800-meter run; **Karen Kleindl**, third in the 3000-meter run; the second-place 4x100-meter relay team of **Heath, Yvette White, Hofner** and **Smith**; and the third-place 4x400-meter relay team of **Smith, Gartner, Kay Fuller** and **Stiles**.

The Gophers fared even better the next weekend at the Minnesota Open. Minnesota won 13 events overall, led by four athletes who each took titles in two events. **Smith** captured the long jump with a leap of 18 feet, 5 inches and the triple jump with a distance of 39-2 1/4. **White** placed first in the 100 hurdles in a time of 14.19 seconds and the 400 hurdles in 1:01.14. **Chimko** won two throwing events, the javelin with a toss of 144-5 and the discus with a throw of 163-7. **Heath** was the top finisher in both the 100-meter dash (12.14 seconds) and the 200-meter dash (25.29). Both marks were Minnesota season bests.

Other winners: The 4x100-meter relay team of **Heath, White, Braggs** and **Blocker** placed first in a time of 47.24. **Gullingsrud** in the 3000 meters (10:21.14); **Marissa McGill** in the 1500 meters (4:56.86); **Stiles** in the 800 (2:18.02); and the 4x400-meter relay team of **Smith, Braggs, Ali Gartner** and **Stiles** (3:58.21) also won events.

At the Minnesota Last Chance, the Gophers again had four event wins. **Parkos** won the shot put with a throw of 49 feet, 1 3/4 inches. The 4x100-meter relay team of **Heath, White, Braggs** and **Blocker** placed first with a time of 47.02 seconds. **Blocker** also placed first in the long jump with a leap of 18-1 3/4, the eighth-best Minnesota mark ever.

Parkos saved her best for the Big Ten Outdoor Championships. **Parkos** won the 1997 Big Ten shot put title with a career-best throw of 51 feet, 10 1/2 inches, bettering her previous career best by over two feet. Her previous best throw was 49-8 1/2 set at the Minnesota Classic earlier in the season and was the second-best throw in Minnesota history. She then went on to place third in the discus with a throw of 156-07. **Parkos** added the 1997 Big Ten shot put title to the Big Ten discus title she won in 1995.

Along with the Big Ten title of **Parkos** in the shot put, the rest of the throwers had an outstanding championship as

well. **McDonald**, throwing in front of her father for the first time in her career, threw a career-best 48-3 1/2 to finish fourth in the shot put. **McDonald's** throw moves her into sixth place on the all-time Minnesota list and beats her previous career-high of 47-10 set at the Texas Relays earlier in the season. In the discus, **McDonald** placed fourth with a toss of 152-8. **Chimko** was second in the javelin with a personal-best throw of 159-10 on her last throw of the competition, the fifth-best mark in Minnesota history. **Chimko** went on to place fifth in the discus with a throw of 146-9.

Yvette White scored 16 points at the Big Ten meet. In addition to running the second leg of the relay, **White** was a big scorer for the Gophers as she placed fifth in the 100 hurdles with a time of 14.02. **White** set the Minnesota school record in the event with a time of 13.99 in the prelims. In the 400 hurdles, **White** ran a 1:00.69 to place third.

Blocker also had a good championship meet as she finished fourth in the heptathlon and ninth in the javelin. **Blocker** scored 5,107 points in the heptathlon and then placed ninth in the javelin with a throw of 107-7.

The 4x100 relay team of **White, Heath, Braggs** and **Blocker** surprised the field and placed third at the Big Ten meet. Minnesota entered the day as the eighth seed but ran an outstanding race as **Braggs** caught runners from Purdue and Penn State on the third leg and passed the baton to **Blocker** who held on for third place. In the prelims, the 4x100 team of **White, Heath, Braggs** and **Smith** ran the second-fastest time in school history at 46.67.

Minnesota placed seventh as a team with 63 points. Wisconsin won the team title with 121 points, followed by Michigan, Penn State, Ohio State, Indiana and Purdue.

Parkos was the only Gopher to advance to the NCAA championships. **Parkos** placed 18th in the shot put with a toss of 48 feet, 4 1/2 inches. She entered the meet with the 10th-best shot put in the nation this season at 51 feet, 10 1/2 inches but could manage no better than 18th. Nebraska junior Tressa Thompson won the event with a mark of 60-8 1/2, a new NCAA Track and Field Championship meet record.

1997 CAPTAINS — Minnesota's captains for both the 1997 indoor and outdoor seasons: senior **Dani Parkos**, sophomore **Kim Heath**, senior **Keri Zweig**, senior **Karen Kleindl** and frosh **Christine Gulbrandsen**. This marks the first time that a frosh has been named a captain of the track team.

OUTDOOR NCAA PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS —

- Dani Parkos, shot put, five times
- Dani Parkos, discus, three times
- Tina McDonald, shot put, twice
- Nicole Chimko, discus
- Nicole Chimko, javelin, three times
- Apasha Blocker, heptathlon

MINNESOTA OUTDOOR RECORDS SET IN 1997 —

Varsity Record

100-meter hurdles: Yvette White, 13.99

Frosh Records

Long Jump: Natalie Smith, 18-8 1/2 (5.70m)

Triple Jump: Christine Gulbrandsen, 40-7 (12.37m)

Javelin: Nicole Chimko, 159-10 (48.72m)

MINNESOTA'S OUTDOOR TOP TEN LISTS —

Yvette White set a new school record in the 100-meter hurdles. The 4x100 team of **Kim Heath, White, Shellie Braggs** and **Apasha Blocker** holds the 2nd, 4th, 6th and 8th places. **Dani Parkos** ranks second in the shot put and fourth in the discus. **Natalie Smith** is third in the long jump and fifth in the triple jump. **Christine Gulbrandsen** holds the third spot in the triple jump. **Tina McDonald** is sixth in the shot put and eighth in the discus. **Nicole Chimko** ranks fifth in the javelin and sixth in the discus. **Apasha Blocker** ranks in three top-ten individual lists: sixth in the high jump, seventh in the 100-meter hurdles and eighth in the javelin. **Ali Gartner** is sixth in the 400-meter dash.

HONORS AND AWARDS

NCAA Championship Participant

Dani Parkos (outdoor shot put)

Big Ten Champion

Dani Parkos (outdoor shot put)

Academic All-Big Ten

Karen Kleindl, Andrea Lentz, Tina McDonald, Dani Parkos, Kari Thompson, Keri Zweig

Minnesota Athlete of the Month

Dani Parkos (May)

Team Most Valuable Athlete

Dani Parkos

Most Valuable Field Athlete

Dani Parkos

Most Valuable Track Athlete

Yvette White

Coaches Award

Alisa Gartner

Tough as Nails Award

Kari Thompson

Most Improved Athlete

Tina McDonald

Rookie of the Year

Nicole Chimko

Official of the Year

Paul Martin

Captains

Dani Parkos, Kim Heath, Karen Kleindl, Keri Zweig, Christine Gulbrandsen

Patty Berg Award Winners

Tiffany Barron, Alissa Bruss, Aimee Daug, Kay Fuller, Alisa Gartner, Danielle Giusti, Christine Gulbrandsen, Minna Haronoja, Christie Heikes, Janet Howe, Genalyn Johnson, Renee Kalmbach, Andrea Lentz, Laurie McGinley, Brenda Meyer, Dani Parkos, Nicole Rassbach, Aubrey Schmitt, Hayley Singer, Andrea Swansby, Kari Thompson, Keri Zweig

"M" Letterwinners

Apasha Blocker, Shellie Braggs, Nicole Chimko, Kay Fuller, Alisa Gartner, Christine Gulbrandsen, Anna Gullingsrud, Minna Haronoja, Kim Heath, Kim Hofner, Andrea Lentz, Tina McDonald, Daphne Panhuysen, Dani Parkos, Natalie Smith, Kristie Stiles, Kari Thompson, Chanteau White, Yvette White, Keri Zweig

INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS

Jan. 11 – Northwest Open

Minneapolis, Minn.

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions:

55 Meter Dash: Chanteau White, 7.21

200 Meter Dash: Shellie Braggs, 26.34

400 Meter Dash: Kay Fuller, 1:01.73

3000 Meter Run: Daphne Panhuysen, 9:46.80

55 Meter Hurdles: Chanteau White, 8.54

4x400-meter relay: Natalie Smith, Shellie Braggs,

Kay Fuller, Yvette White, 4:06.41

Long Jump: Natalie Smith, 17-9 (5.41m)

Triple Jump: Christine Gulbrandsen, Minnesota, 40-11 (12.47m), Meet record

Shot Put: Dani Parkos, 46-11 1/2 (14.31m)

Jan. 18 – Badger State Classic

Madison, Wis.

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions:

Shot Put: Tina McDonald 47-1 3/4 (14.37m)

Triple Jump: Christine Gulbrandsen 41-0 1/2 (12.51m)

Jan. 25 – Minnesota Invitational

Minneapolis, Minn.

Team Scores: Minnesota 142, North Dakota State 99, Iowa State 93, Iowa 73, Manitoba 60, St. Cloud State 26, St.

Thomas 19, Hamline 6, North Dakota 4

Minnesota Event Champions:

55 Meter Dash: Chanteau White, 6.97

Long Jump: Chanteau White, 18-8 (5.69m)

Triple Jump: Natalie Smith, 38-7 1/2 (11.77m)

Feb. 1 – Mercantile Bank Invitational

University of Northern Iowa

Cedar Falls, Iowa

Team Scores: Kansas 62, Iowa State 56, Northern Iowa 43, Drake 35, Iowa 32, Minnesota 25

Minnesota Event Champions:

Long Jump: Natalie Smith 18-8 (5.69m)

Triple Jump: Natalie Smith 39-10 1/2 (12.15m)

Shot Put: Dani Parkos 47-9 (14.55m)

Feb. 7-8 – Iowa State Classic

Ames, Iowa

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions:

Triple Jump: Christine Gulbrandsen 41-3 3/4

Shot Put: Dani Parkos 48-7 1/2 (14.82m)

Feb. 15 – Minnesota Open

Minneapolis, Minn.

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions:

55-meter dash: Kimberly Heath 7.30

400-meter dash: Alisa Gartner 1:00.67

600-meter dash: Kristie Stiles 1:37.53

800-meter run: Andrea Lentz 2:17.14

1000-meter run: Daphne Panhuysen 2:52.68

3000-meter run: Amy Hoel 10:29.35

55-meter hurdles: Yvette White 8.4

4x200-meter relay: Natalie Smith, Shellie Braggs,

Kimberly Heath, Yvette White 1:42.79 (school record)

4x400-meter relay: Natalie Smith, Shellie Braggs, Alisa

Gartner, Yvette White 3:56.88

Triple Jump: Natalie Smith 38-7 (11.76m)

Shot Put: Dani Parkos 48-6 1/4 (14.79m)

High Jump: Apasha Blocker 5-3 3/4 (1.62m)

Feb. 22-23 – Big Ten Championships

Champaign, Ill.

Final team results

1. Wisconsin 119; 2. Michigan 82; 3. Ohio State 79; 4.

Illinois 66; 5. Penn State 63; 6. Minnesota 52; 7. Michigan

State 50; 8. Purdue 49; 9. (tie) Indiana 31; 9. (tie) Iowa 31

Minnesota Event Champions: None

March 1 – Last Chance Meet

Ames, Iowa

Unscored

Minnesota Event Champions:

Shot Put: 1. Dani Parkos 49-11 1/4 (15.22m)

March 8-9 – NCAA Championships

Bloomington, Ind.

Minnesota participants: None

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS

March 23-30 – Raleigh Relays

Raleigh, N.C.

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions:

Discus: Dani Parkos 161-5 (49.20m)

April 2-5 – Texas Relays

Austin, Texas

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions: None

April 12 – Tom Botts Invitational

University of Missouri

Columbia, Mo.

Team scores:

Missouri 153; Minnesota 121; Kansas State 92; Kansas 60;

Southwest Missouri 52; Nebraska 29; Cornell 24;

Southeast Missouri 3.

Minnesota Event Champions:

High Jump: Apasha Blocker, 5-5 (1.65m)

Shot Put: Dani Parkos, 44-6 (13.56m)

Javelin: Nicole Chimko, 148-7 (45.28m)

April 18-20 – Mt. Sac Relays

Walnut, Calif.

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions: None

April 19 – Manitou Classic

St. Olaf University

Northfield, Minn.

Team scores: 1. St. Thomas 111.5; t -11th Minnesota 29;

23 teams competed

Minnesota Event Champions: None

April 25-26 – Drake Relays

Des Moines, Iowa

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions: None

April 23-26 – Penn Relays

Philadelphia, Pa.

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions: None

April 26 – Macalaster Invitational

St. Paul, Minn.

Team scores: 1. St. Thomas, 130; 10. Minnesota, 26;
13 teams competed

Minnesota Event Champions: None

May 3 – Minnesota Classic

Minneapolis, Minn.

Team scores: Marquette 162.0; Minnesota 119.0;
South Dakota State 79.5; St. Cloud State, 56.5;
Mankato State 44.0; High Plains T&F 28.0; St. Thomas
27.0; St. Olaf 9.0; Hamline 8.0; Carleton 8.0; Minnesota
Duluth, 1.0; Augsburg 1.0

Minnesota Event Champions:

400-meter dash: Kristie Stiles 57.76

5000-meter run: Anna Gullingsrud 17:41.18

Shot Put: Dani Parkos 49-8 1/2 (15.15m) (NCAA
Provisional Qualifier)

Javelin: 1. Nicole Chimko 155-5 (47.38m)

May 10 – Minnesota Open

Minneapolis, Minn.

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions:

100-meter dash: Kim Heath 12.14

200-meter dash: Kim Heath 25.29

800-meter run: Kristie Stiles 2:18.02

1500-meter run: Marissa McGill 4:56.86

3000-meter run: Anna Gullingsrud 10:21.14

100-meter hurdles: Yvette White 14.19

400-meter hurdles: Yvette White 61.14

4x100-meter relay: Kim Heath, Yvette White, Shellie
Braggs, Apasha Blocker 47.24

4x400-meter relay: Natalie Smith, Shellie Braggs, Ali
Gartner, Kristie Stiles 3:58.21

Long Jump: Natalie Smith 18-5 (5.61m)

Triple Jump: Natalie Smith 39-2 1/4 (11.94m)

Discus: Nicole Chimko 163-7 (49.86m)
(NCAA provisional qualifier)

Javelin: Nicole Chimko 144-5 (44.02m)

May 17 – Minnesota Last Chance

Minneapolis, Minn.

No team scores

Minnesota Event Champions:

4x100-meter relay: Kim Heath, Yvette White, Shellie
Braggs, Apasha Blocker 47.02

Long Jump: Apasha Blocker 18-1 3/4 (5.53m)

Shot Put: Dani Parkos 49-1 3/4 (14.98m)

Javelin: Nicole Chinko 148-8 (45.32m)

May 23-25 – Big Ten Championships

Champaign, Ill.

Team scores: 1. Wisconsin 121; 2. Michigan 111; 3. Penn
State 91; 4. Ohio State 84; 5. Indiana 67; 6. Purdue 64; 7.
Minnesota 63; 8. Illinois 54; 9. Michigan State 42; 10.
Iowa 39

Minnesota Event Champions:

Shot Put: Dani Parkos 51-10 1/2 (15.81)

June 4-7 – NCAA Championships

Bloomington, Ind.

Minnesota participant:

Dani Parkos, shot put 48-4 1/2 (14.74m) 18th

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

55 Meters

1. Chanteau White (g) (prelims) *,***	:06.96
2. Chanteau White (c) (finals) ***	:06.97
3. Chanteau White (g) (finals)	:07.00

200 meters

1. Yvette White (c)	:25.76
2. Shellie Braggs (c)	:25.93
3. Kim Heath (e)	:26.33

400 meters

1. Yvette White (e) *	:56.71
2. Yvette White (g) (trials)	:57.13
3. Yvette White (g) (finals)	:57.60

600 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (g) **	1:36.26
2. Kristie Stiles (f)	1:37.53
3. Alissa Bruss (f)	1:40.25

800 meters

1. Andrea Lentz (f)	2:17.14
2. Kristie Stiles (c)	2:19.88
3. Minna Haronoja (e)	2:21.15

Mile

1. Daphne Panhuysen (g) (finals)	4:51.72
2. Daphne Panhuysen (g) (trials)	4:54.45
3. Andrea Lentz (g)	4:57.45

3000 meters

1. Daphne Panhuysen (a) **, ***	9:46.80
2. Daphne Panhuysen (e)	9:47.13
3. Daphne Panhuysen (c)	9:48.28

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (e)	17:11.60
2. Anna Gullingsrud (g)	17:15.39
3. Kari Thompson (g)	17:25.10

55 meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (c)	:08.20
2. Chanteau White (g) (trials)	:08.26
3. Chanteau White (g) (finals)	:08.29

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Smith, Braggs, Blocker, Y. White (g)	3:51.91
2. Braggs, Y. White, Fuller, Gartner (e)	3:53.79
3. Smith, Braggs, Gartner, Y. White (f)	3:56.88

Distance Medley Relay

1. Lentz, Y. White, Stiles, Panhuysen (h)	11:48.10
2. Zweig, Y. White, Haronoja, Lentz (g)	11:58.55
3. Zweig, Daniel, Stiles, Lentz (c)	12:31.35

High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (g)	5-5 1/4 (1.66m)
2. Apasha Blocker (e)	5-4 1/2 (1.64m)
3. Apasha Blocker (f)	5-3 3/4 (1.62m)

Long Jump

1. Chanteau White (e) *, ***	19-11 1/2 (6.08m)
2. Natalie Smith (e) **	19-3 (5.87m)
3. Chanteau White (g)	18-9 1/4 (5.72m)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (e) *, ***	41-3 3/4 (41-3 3/4m)
2. Christine Gulbrandsen (b) **	41-0 1/2 (12.51m)
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (a)	40-11 (12.47m)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (g) ***	50-2 3/4 (15.31m)
2. Dani Parkos (h) ***	49-11 1/4 (15.22m)
3. Dani Parkos (e) ***	48-7 1/2 (14.82m)

Pentathlon

1. Apasha Blocker (g)	3,598 points
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* Minnesota record

** Frosh record

*** NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, WI)

(c) Minnesota Invitational (Minneapolis, MN)

(d) Mercantile Bank Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)

(f) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(g) Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)

(h) Last Chance Meet (Aines, Iowa)

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters		4x400-meter Relay	
1. Kim Heath (j)	:11.89	1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
2. Kim Heath (h)	:12.14	2. Smith, Gartner, Fuller, Stiles (g)	3:57.97
3. Kim Heath (g)	:12.15	3. Smith, Braggs, Gartner, Stiles (h)	3:58.21
200 meters		High Jump	
1. Kim Heath (j)	:24.71	1. Apasha Blocker (e)	5-6 1/2 (1.69)
2. Kim Heath (h)	:25.29	2. Apasha Blocker (c)	5-5 (1.65)
3. Kim Heath(g)	:25.45	Apasha Blocker (j)	5-5 (1.65)
400 meters		Long Jump	
1. Ali Gartner (j)	:57.13	1. Natalie Smith (j) #	18-8 1/2 (5.70)
2. Kristie Stiles (g)	:57.76	2. Natalie Smith (d)	18-7 1/4 (5.67)
3. Natalie Smith (i)	:57.85	3. Natalie Smith (h)	18-5 (5.61)
800 meters		Triple Jump	
1. Andrea Lentz (i)	2:14.24	1. Christine Gulbrandsen (j) #	40-7 (12.37)
2. Minna Haronoja (i)	2:15.77	2. Christine Gulbrandsen (f)	40-2 (12.24)
3. Andrea Lentz (g)	2:17.16	3. Natalie Smith (h)	39-4 (11.99)
1500 meters		Shot Put	
1. Minna Haronoja (d)	4:34.63	1. Dani Parkos (j) *	51-10 1/2 (15.81)
2. Andrea Lentz (d)	4:34.71	2. Dani Parkos (g) *	49-8 1/2 (15.15)
3. Minna Haronoja (j) (finals)	4:37.75	3. Dani Parkos (i) *	49-1 3/4 (14.98)
3000 meters		Discus	
1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40	1. Dani Parkos (b) *	168-11 (51.48)
2. Anna Gullingsrud (h)	10:21.14	2. Nicole Chimko (h) *	163-7 (49.86)
3. Karen Kleindl (j)	10:22.63	3. Dani Parkos (h) *	161-11 (49.36)
5000 meters		Javelin	
1. Anna Gullingsrud (c)	17:37.46	1. Nicole Chimko (j) * #	159-10 (48.72)
2. Anna Gullingsrud (g)	17:41.18	2. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11 (47.84)
3. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24	3. Nicole Chimko (g)	155-5 (47.38)
10,000 meters		Heptathlon	
1. Anna Gullingsrud (d)	36:26.72	1. Apasha Blocker (e) *	5,146 points
2. Kari Thompson (a)	37:37.00	2. Apasha Blocker (j) *	5,107 points
100-meter hurdles		(a) Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, NC)	
1. Yvette White (j) (trials) ##	:13.99	(b) Texas Relays (Austin, TX)	
2. Yvette White (j) (finals)	:14.02	(c) Tom Botts Invitational (Columbia, MO)	
3. Yvette White (h)	:14.19	(d) Mt. Sac Relays (Walnut, CA)	
400-meter hurdles		(e) Penn Relays (Philadelphia, PA)	
1. Yvette White (e)	1:00.03	(f) Drake Relays (Des Moines, IA)	
2. Yvette White (j) (trials)	1:00.60	(g) Minnesota Classic (Minneapolis, MN)	
3. Yvette White (j) (finals)	1:00.72	(h) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis, MN)	
4x100-meter Relay		(i) Last Chance (Minneapolis, MN)	
1. Heath, White, Braggs, Blocker (j) (trials)	:46.67	(j) Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)	
2. Heath, White, Braggs, Blocker (i)	:47.02	* NCAA Provisional Qualifier	
3. Heath, White, Braggs, Blocker (j) (finals)	:47.09	# Minnesota Frosh Record	
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