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June 28, 1995

GOLDEN GOPHER HOCKEY PLAYERS TO PLAY IN FESTIVAL

Ten members of the University of Minnesota hockey team have been selected to play in the 1995 U.S. Olympic Festival, set for July 24-30 at Denver Coliseum in Denver, Colo. USA Hockey recently made the announcement of the rosters of the four teams that will compete in the event.

Team North features three Golden Gopher forwards, including incoming freshmen Mike Anderson of Bloomington, Minn. and Wyatt Smith of Warroad, Minn., and sophomore Ryan Kraft of Moorhead, Minn. Team South includes seniors Dan Trebil of Bloomington, Minn. and Hobey Baker Award candidate Brian Bonin of White Bear Lake, Minn.

Team East has Maroon and Gold sophomore forward Casey Hankinson of Edina, Minn. and incoming freshman forward and 1995 Minnesota Mr. Hockey recipient Erik Rasmussen of St. Louis Park, Minn. Team West has three Golden Gophers, including Bloomington natives Mike Crowley, a sophomore defenseman, and Nick Cheeco, a junior forward. Incoming freshman forward Reggie Berg rounds out the Golden Gopher contingent in the Festival.

There are 80 players total selected to play in the 1995 U.S. Olympic Festival, which includes 24 native Minnesotans.

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Smith Withdraws From Consideration For U of M Head Men's Track Coaching Position

Martin Smith, one of four finalists for the head men's track and field coaching position at the University of Minnesota, has withdrawn his name from consideration for the post.

Smith, who interviewed for the position in May, had decided to stay in his current capacity as head men's cross country and assistant men's track and field coach at the University of Wisconsin.

"We are disappointed that a coach of Martin's caliber has taken his name out of the hopper," said Mark Dienhart, U of M senior associate director of athletics. "But we respect his decision and wish him continued success at Wisconsin."

Smith's withdrawal leaves three finalists who are candidates for the position: In alphabetical order they are: Don Larson, head men's cross country and track and field coach at North Dakota State, Phil Lundin, assistant men's track and field coach at Minnesota, and Jerry Quiller, head men's and women's cross country and track and field coach at Colorado.

Men's Director of Athletics Dr. McKinley Boston is out of the office until after the Fourth of July, but is expected to make his decision as to who will be the new head men's track and field coach sometime next week.

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THREE-DAY FOOTBALL CLINIC BEGINS TUESDAY

A football clinic for sixth, seventh and eighth-graders will be held Tuesday through Thursday from 2-5 p.m. at the Minneapolis North High School Football Field.

A number of University of Minnesota football coaches and current players will serve as clinicians, including 1995 All-America candidate and Heisman Trophy hopeful Chris Darkins.

Co-sponsored by Athletes in Action and Hospitality House Boys and Girls Clubs, the clinic is open to the first 50 registered participants each day. The cost is \$1 per day or \$2 for all three days which includes a t-shirt. Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. each day.

ANDERSON NAMED USA ASSISTANT TRACK & FIELD COACH

University of Minnesota assistant men's and women's track & field coach Lynne Anderson has been selected to serve as an assistant coach for the U.S. women's track & field which will compete in a dual meet against Great Britain in Gateshead, England on Aug. 21.

A three-time U.S. champion and former national record holder in the discus, Anderson was a member of the 1976 and 1980 U.S. Olympic Teams.



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MEN'S BASKETBALL AND ICE HOCKEY SCHEDULES ANNOUNCED

The University of Minnesota announced its tentative men's basketball and ice hockey schedules for the 1995-96 school year today. The basketball schedule is highlighted by a six-game non-conference home slate that features a game vs. California on Dec. 16 at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome. The Golden Gophers will play every Big Ten foe twice except for Indiana and Michigan. The Maroon and Gold entertain the Hoosiers on Feb. 7, and travel to Ann Arbor, Mich. to play the Wolverines on Feb. 24.

The ice hockey schedule features key non-conference matchups with Michigan State and Michigan in the College Hockey Showcase on Nov. 24-25, and Harvard on Dec. 29 in the Mariucci Classic. The hockey team's unbalanced schedule has them playing every team four times except for Michigan Tech and Northern Michigan. The Golden Gophers open the season at Michigan Tech on Oct 13-14, and entertain Northern Michigan on Jan. 26-27.

The tentative schedules with times to be announced are as follows:

BASKETBALL

Oct. 14 MIDNIGHT MADNESS
 Nov. 9 EXHIBITION
 Nov. 16 EXHIBITION
 Nov. 24-26 @Big Island Invitational
 Hilo, Hawaii
 Nov. 24 vs. Valparaiso
 Nov. 25 TBA
 Nov. 26 TBA
 Nov. 28 CHARLESTON SOUTHERN
 Nov. 30 BETHUNE COOKMAN
 Dec. 9 NEBRASKA
 Dec. 12 @Cincinnati
 Dec. 16 CALIFORNIA *
 Dec. 19 @Clemson
 Dec. 23 @Sacramento State
 Dec. 28 MOUNT ST. MARY'S
 Dec. 31 MERCER
 Jan. 3 ILLINOIS
 Jan. 6 @Iowa
 Jan. 10 @ Penn State
 Jan. 13 PURDUE
 Jan. 20 @ Ohio State
 Jan. 24 @ Wisconsin
 Jan. 27 MICHIGAN STATE
 Jan. 31 NORTHWESTERN
 Feb. 7 INDIANA
 Feb. 10 @Northwestern
 Feb. 14 @Michigan State
 Feb. 17 WISCONSIN
 Feb. 21 OHIO STATE
 Feb. 24 @Michigan
 Feb. 28 @Purdue
 Mar. 2 PENN STATE
 Mar. 6 IOWA
 Mar. 9 @Illinois

* Metrodome

HOCKEY

Oct. 13-14 @Michigan Tech
 Oct. 21-22 @Colorado College #
 Oct. 27-28 ALASKA ANCHORAGE
 Nov. 4 @St. Cloud State
 Nov. 5 ST. CLOUD STATE
 Nov. 11-12 DENVER
 Nov. 17-18 @Minnesota-Duluth
 Nov. 24-25 @College Hockey Showcase
 Milwaukee, Wis.
 Nov. 24 vs. Michigan State
 Nov. 25 vs. Michigan
 Dec. 9-10 NORTH DAKOTA
 Dec. 15-16 @Alaska Anchorage
 Dec. 29-30 MARIUCCI CLASSIC
 Dec. 29 HARVARD
 Dec. 30 (BOWLING GREEN OR NEW HAMPSHIRE)
 Jan. 5-6 @Denver
 Jan. 12-13 MINNESOTA-DULUTH
 Jan. 19 WISCONSIN
 Jan. 20 WISCONSIN \$
 Jan. 26-27 NORTHERN MICHIGAN
 Feb. 2-3 @North Dakota
 Feb. 9-10 COLORADO COLLEGE
 Feb. 16 ST. CLOUD STATE
 Feb. 17 @St. Cloud State
 Feb. 23-24 @Wisconsin
 Mar. 1-2 WCHA First Round Playoffs
 Mar. 7-9 WCHA Final Five
 Milwaukee, Wis.
 Mar. 22-24 NCAA Regional
 Mar. 28, 30 NCAA Championships
 Cincinnati, Ohio
 # Air Force Academy
 \$ Target Center

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The Golden Gopher mascot is a cartoon gopher wearing a dark sweater with white stripes on the sleeves and a white collar. It is holding a large letter 'M' in its paws. The mascot is positioned behind the word 'SPORTS' in the 'SPORTS NEWS' title.

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LUNDIN NAMED GOLDEN GOPHER HEAD TRACK & FIELD COACH

Dr. Phil Lundin has been named head men's track and field coach at the University of Minnesota, pending final approval of the U of M's Board of Regents.

Lundin has served as Roy Griak's top assistant coach for the last 12 years. Griak, who retired as head track & field coach following the 1995 season after 32 years at the helm, will remain cross country coach and serve as an administrative assistant to the track & field program.

During his career at the University of Minnesota, Lundin has coached student-athletes to a total of 10 All-America performances including 1993 NCAA indoor pole vault champion Martin Eriksson. The Golden Gophers finished sixth in the final team standings at the 1993 NCAA Indoor Championships, the best in the history of the program at the national indoor meet, and have now placed in the upper division at the past eight Big Ten Championships.

An outstanding recruiter, Lundin's efforts have brought a number of world-class competitors to the U of M, including '94 World Junior Championships decathlon champion Benjamin Jensen of Norway who will be a redshirt freshman for the Golden Gophers this season. He will be joined by Glenn Lindqvist of Finland, the '94 World Junior decathlon bronze medalist, Vesa Rantanen, the top-ranked junior pole vaulter in Finland with a mark of 18-2 1/4, and Marcus Westberry of Minneapolis Washburn, who was a multiple Minnesota state champion in the jumps during his prep career for the Millers.

Before joining the staff at the University of Minnesota, Lundin taught physical education and health, and was cross country/track and field coach for 12 years at Burnsville High School. While there, he helped build the school into a state powerhouse. The school won three straight Class AA cross country crowns (1978, 1979, 1980), as well as the 1978 Class AA track and field title under his direction.

A native of Columbia Heights, Minn., Lundin is a 1974 graduate of Augsburg College in Minneapolis, where he was a four-year letterwinner in track and field and football for the Auggies during his collegiate career.

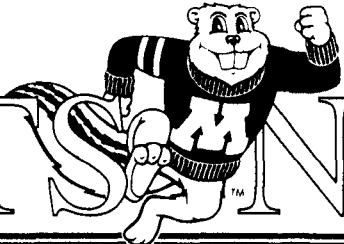
Lundin, who is widely recognized for his work in the research and application of training theories, went on to earn his master's degree in physical education from the University of Minnesota in 1976, and then added his Ph.D. in biomechanics from the U of M in 1983.

"Phil is the right person to work hand-in-hand with Roy as cross country coach to take our program to the next level," said Vice President for Student Development and Athletics Dr. McKinley Boston in announcing his decision. "His energy and effectiveness as a recruiter, and the strong support of current team members, were factors working strongly in Phil's favor."

"I'm excited about this opportunity and look forward to the future with great anticipation," Lundin said. "We've made steady progress the past few years and the goal is to bring the program to the point where we can compete for Big Ten indoor and outdoor titles on an annual basis."

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Dale Named To Coach West Swim Team At Olympic Festival

University of Minnesota head men's swimming coach **Dennis Dale** has been named the head coach of the West team at the 1995 Olympic Festival. This year's Fest will take place at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo. The swimming events will be contested July 22-24.

Dale led Minnesota to its sixth consecutive Big Ten runner-up finish this past spring. His Golden Gophers placed ninth at the 1995 NCAA Championships. Dale has a career dual record of 77-21 during his 10 years as the U of M head coach, and is regarded as one of the top collegiate coaches in the country.

The Olympic Festival's connection with Golden Gopher swimming does not stop with Dale. Incoming freshman **John Cahoy**, a 1995 graduate of **Hudson (Wis.) High School**, will compete for the North squad. The Golden-Gopher-to-be will race in the 100 free, the 200 free and the 100 fly. He placed third in the 200 free and fourth in the 100 free at the National High School Championships in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., in June.

Another Dennis Dale recruit, **Martin Zielinski**, also fared well at the National High School Championships. Zielinski, a 1995 **Bloomington Jefferson High School** grad, set a new meet record in the 100 fly, winning that event in 49.70. He also placed fourth in the 100 back.



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GOLDEN GOPHER HOCKEY TO PRESENT AQUATENNIAL CLINIC

Golden Gopher Head Coach Doug Woog and members of his hockey team will present Doug Woog's Aquatennial In-Line Hockey Clinic on Wednesday, July 19 from 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the North Terminal Lot at the corner of Nicollet Mall and 3rd Street South in Minneapolis. The clinic is sponsored by Cub Foods and Coca-Cola, and is free for kids ages 8-13.

Woog and a number of the members from the Golden Gopher hockey team will give an in-line hockey skating demonstration plus host a clinic for kids ages 8-13, and will also be available for autographs following the clinic.

"We're excited about being part of the Minneapolis Aquatennial and looking forward to skating downtown with kids from across the Twin Cities," said Woog. The clinic is free and open to the public.



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MEDIA ADVISORY

DATE: July 17, 1995
TO: Golden Gopher Media Outlets
FROM: U of M Media Relations
RE: Clem Haskins' News Conference

There will be a news conference concerning the physical condition of Golden Gopher Head Men's Basketball Coach Clem Haskins today (Monday) at 2 p.m. in the Hegman Conference Room, which is located on the ground floor of the Masonic Cancer Center next to the University of Minnesota Hospital & Clinic. The street address is 424 Harvard Street SE, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dr. Robert Wilson, the physician who has been treating Coach Haskins, will be available for comment at the news conference, along with Coach Haskins, to answer questions about Haskins' condition. If you have any questions about directions to the news conference, please contact Mary Stanik from the U of M Hospital & Clinic Public Relations office at 624-4604.

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THREE NAMED U OF M MEN'S ATHLETIC DIRECTOR FINALISTS

Mark Dienhart, senior associate director of men's intercollegiate athletics at the University of Minnesota; Charles Harris, former Arizona State University athletic director; and Fred Mims, University of Iowa associate athletic director, have been named finalists for director of Men's Intercollegiate Athletics at the University of Minnesota.

Search committee chair Norman Chervany forwarded the names Thursday (July 13). The three candidates will be invited to campus for executive interviews as soon as schedules can be arranged. McKinley Boston, vice president for student development and athletics, to whom the position reports, will then make a recommendation to university President Nils Hasselmo. After that, the appointment goes on to the board of regents for final approval.

Background on the candidates follows:

- **Mark Dienhart** has been with the university men's athletics department for five years, four as senior associate director. Before that he served 15 years in a variety of capacities at the University of St. Thomas, including executive director of public and alumni affairs and head coach of football and track and field. He has a bachelor's degree from St. Thomas and master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Minnesota. He was drafted by and played briefly for the Buffalo Bills of the National Football League in 1975.

- **Charles Harris** has recently completed 11 years as Arizona State's athletic director. Before that, he served six years as director of the division of recreation and intercollegiate athletics at the University of Pennsylvania and six years at the University of Michigan in a variety of positions, including assistant athletic director. He did his undergraduate study at the Hampton Institute (Hampton, Va.), and also completed academic work at the University of Pennsylvania, University of Michigan and Arizona State University.

- **Fred Mims** has been with the University of Iowa since 1977, serving as academic counselor, assistant baseball coach, assistant athletic director and, since 1989, associate athletic director, athletic compliance officer and athletic student services director. He played professional baseball in the Houston Astros organization from 1972 to 1975. Mims has bachelor's and master's degrees from Iowa.

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HASKINS TO BE RELEASED TODAY FROM HOSPITAL AFTER UNDERGOING ANGIOPLASTY ON A CORONARY ARTERY

University of Minnesota Head Men's Basketball Coach Clem Haskins will be released today from the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinics after undergoing angioplasty yesterday on a coronary artery.

Angioplasty is a procedure in which a small balloon is inserted into the artery in the thigh and guided up to the area where the blockage exists. In this case the first attempt to enlarge the flow of the artery was not as successful as doctors would have liked, so a stainless steel stent (mesh tube) was inserted permanently to help keep the artery fully open.

Haskins entered the hospital late Saturday evening after developing chest discomfort. Dr. Robert Wilson of the U of M Hospital and Clinic's Cardiology Department performed the procedure while Haskins was under local anesthesia.

"Coach Haskins procedure was very successful and we expect a complete and full recovery," said Dr. Robert Wilson. "He will need to rest for a couple of weeks, but after that should be able to resume his normal schedule. Coach Haskins' cholesterol count was normal when he was admitted, and like any coronary patient he should watch his intake, but it was not a major factor in the problem; nor are any significant dietary changes necessary."

"Let me first say that I feel great and I want to thank the hospital staff and Dr. Wilson for the outstanding job they have done," said Haskins. "I'm not the easiest patient in the world and they did a great job both when I was admitted and during the procedure. This procedure will not in any way effect my duties and responsibilities as head basketball coach at the University of Minnesota, or my obligations to USA Basketball as a member of the 1996 U.S. Olympic basketball coaching staff."

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BASKETBALL, HOCKEY SEASON TICKETS ON SALE AUGUST 14

The University of Minnesota Men's Athletics Department has announced that basketball and hockey season ticket sales will begin on Monday, Aug. 14.

Basketball season tickets are priced at \$309 each, with the sale of season tickets continuing through Friday, Oct. 20. If individual game tickets remain available, they will go on sale beginning Wednesday, Nov. 15. Single game tickets are \$19 each. Single game ticket orders for basketball may not be accepted before Nov. 15, with the exception of two exhibition games scheduled for Nov. 9 and 16. Tickets for those games may be ordered beginning Nov. 2, at a cost of \$12 each.

The non-conference game on Dec. 16 against California will be held at the Metrodome. Tickets for that game will go on sale Saturday, Sept. 16 and can be purchased at all Dayton's ticket outlets in addition to the Golden Gopher Athletic Ticket Sales Office.

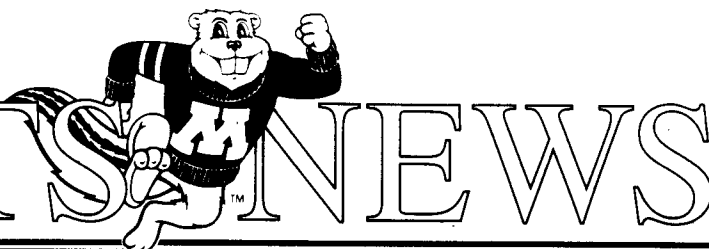
Hockey season tickets are priced at \$357 each. The sale of season tickets will continue through Friday, Sept. 29. If individual game tickets remain available, they will go on sale beginning Monday, Oct. 16. Single game tickets are \$17 each. Single game ticket orders for hockey may not be accepted before Oct. 16.

The cost of tickets reflects a \$2 increase per game for basketball and a \$1 increase per game for hockey. Ticket prices are adjusted on an annual basis to allow the Men's Athletics Department to offset anticipated expenses and produce a balanced budget. The department is mandated by the University to be financially self-supporting.

For more information, fans may call the Golden Gopher Athletic Ticket Sales Office at (612) 624-8080 or 1-800-U-GOPHER.

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CAMPBELL NAMED ASSISTANT MEN'S SWIMMING COACH

The University of Minnesota has announced the hiring of Clark Campbell as Assistant Men's Swimming Coach, pending final approval by the University's Board of Regents. Campbell comes to Minnesota after spending the last two seasons as the Head Men's and Women's Swimming Coach at West Virginia Wesleyan College.

During his stint at West Virginia Wesleyan, Campbell had a hand in producing 24 NAIA and NCAA All-Americans, one national champion, set all 38 school swimming records and compiled a winning dual meet record. In 1995, Campbell was named NAIA Men's Swimming Coach of the Year. Previous to his tenure there, Campbell was an Assistant Men's and Women's Coach from 1992-1993 at the University of Kansas, and had been the Head Coach of the USA Junior National Triathlon Team from 1992-1994.

A professional triathlete from 1985-1992, Campbell earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education-Exercise Science from the University of Kansas. He is scheduled to complete his Master of Science in Physical Education and Coaching from West Virginia University this summer.

"I'm extremely excited about Clark's arrival to our staff at the University of Minnesota," said Head Men's Swimming Coach Dennis Dale. "Clark brings a wealth of scientific background in swimming and plenty of enthusiasm to the job."

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NEW U OF M MEN'S ATHLETIC DIRECTOR TO BE CONSIDERED AT SPECIAL BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING TOMORROW

The University of Minnesota board of regents will hold a special meeting at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2, to consider the administration's recommendation for a new director of men's intercollegiate athletics. The meeting will be convened by President Nils Hasselmo and conducted via phone hook-up in 238 Morrill Hall. Should the recommendation be approved, a news conference will follow immediately, also in 238 Morrill, to introduce the new men's athletic director.

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MARK DIENHART NAMED U OF M MEN'S DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Mark Dienhart was named director of men's intercollegiate athletics at the University of Minnesota after a vote today, Aug. 2, by the university's board of regents. Dienhart, 41, has been with the department for five years, the past four as senior associate director. He was chosen by McKinley Boston, vice president for student development and athletics, and endorsed by university President Nils Hasselmo. He succeeds Boston in the director's post.

A lifelong Minnesotan, Dienhart came to the university in 1990 after 15 years in a variety of capacities at the University of St. Thomas, including executive director of public and alumni affairs, head football coach and head men's track and field coach. He has a bachelor's degree from St. Thomas and master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Minnesota. He was drafted and played briefly for the Buffalo Bills of the National Football League in 1975. He is a graduate of De La Salle High School in Minneapolis.

"I have come to appreciate the high quality of Mark Dienhart's work over the last three years, and believe he is more than ready to step in and be the next men's director of athletics," said Vice President Boston. "Not only am I looking forward to working with him in my new capacity, but I'm really excited about the continuity that this appointment affords for the university and its athletics program."

"I'm delighted with the choice that Dr. Boston has made," said President Hasselmo. "Mark Dienhart shares Mac's commitment to athletic competitiveness, fiscal accountability, rule compliance and, most important, the long-term best interests of student-athletes. He and Mac developed an excellent working relationship during Mac's tenure as men's A.D., and we expect that to continue as both move into new positions."

"My top priority is to see our recent progress continue," said Dienhart. "There is plenty of work yet to be done. I am an educator, like my predecessor, and I believe there has never been a better time to fully integrate intercollegiate athletics into the broader educational mission of the university. I intend to work closely with Mac Boston toward that end."

(Mark Dienhart's bio follows)

Dr. Mark Dienhart, 41, has been a member of the University of Minnesota men's intercollegiate athletics staff since May 8, 1990, when he signed on as the associate director for external operations under then-Director of Athletics Rick Bay. Dienhart took over as the interim senior associate director of athletics in Dec. of 1991 under Director of Athletics Dr. McKinley Boston, before assuming the permanent title on June 18, 1992. On Aug. 2, 1995, he was named director of men's intercollegiate athletics.

As senior associate director of athletics, Dienhart served as second in command of the men's athletics department. He managed all administrative areas of the department and directly supervised the operations of all of the 11 men's sports. He also negotiated all media contracts, assisted in facilities planning and managed budgets of \$2 million.

During his tenure at Minnesota, Dienhart has played a major role in enabling the department to balance its budget each of the last three years and significantly reduce a \$2 million deficit. In addition, Minnesota has placed second in the Big Ten men's all-sports standings three of the last four years. He also served as media relations director for the 1991 NCAA Basketball First and Second Rounds and the 1992 Final Four.

A native of Minnesota, Dienhart came to the University of Minnesota from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, where he had served at different times as head football coach, head track and field coach, and executive director of public and alumni affairs.

As a football coach at St. Thomas, Dienhart's teams ranked in the nation's top 20 on an annual basis, and amassed a record of 44-14-1, which ranked him among the top 10 active NCAA Division III coaches in the nation in winning percentage (.758). He developed four consensus All-America football players and two players who successfully competed for NFL teams.

As the track and field coach, Dienhart led the Tommies to their first conference track and field title in 30 years in 1983. His teams successfully defended that title each of the next three seasons. Dienhart's 1985 team won the NCAA indoor championship and finished third in the outdoor championship that year. He developed 21 All-America track and field athletes in his six years as head coach.

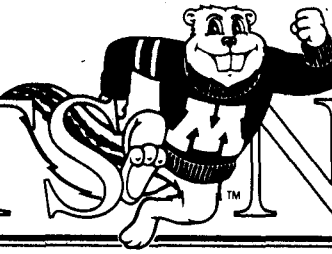
Dienhart is a 1971 graduate of De La Salle High School in Minneapolis. The class Salutatorian, he attended the College of St. Thomas and was graduated Summa Cum Laude in 1975. While at St. Thomas, he earned All-America honors in football and track and field, and was named Academic All-American twice. He was an NCAA champion in the shot put in 1975, and set the St. Thomas indoor and outdoor shot put records, which still remain as the oldest standing track and field records at his alma mater. He was then drafted by the Buffalo Bills of the National Football League in the spring of 1975.

A Rhodes Scholarship finalist, he has earned numerous additional prestigious academic and athletic awards. He is a four-time finalist for the CoSIDA Academic All-America Hall of Fame. He also was honored with the prestigious NCAA Top-Five Student-Athlete Award and was an NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship winner.

Dienhart holds a bachelor's degree from St. Thomas in philosophy. He earned a master of arts degree in journalism from the University of Minnesota in 1978. He went on to earn his doctorate in higher education from the U of M in 1988. In 1989 he was awarded a Bush Leadership Fellowship for post-doctoral work at both Harvard and Stanford.

Dienhart and his wife Kate reside in St. Paul and have three daughters: Mary, Alissa, and Carolyn.

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August 7, 1995

GOLDEN GOPHER FOOTBALL MEDIA DAY SET FOR AUGUST 25

The 1995 University of Minnesota Football Media Day will be held on Friday, August 25 beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome. Media parking will be available in the upper level press lot. Enter the building through the door next to the Vikings' ticket office.

A special luncheon will get things underway in the lounge area near the football press box. Head Coach Jim Wacker will be on hand to visit with the media and discuss the upcoming season. Following that, all members of the Golden Gophers' coaching staff and squad will be available for interviews and photos on the field.

We urge you to attend. With the Vikings scheduled to play a preseason game the following afternoon, it is a wonderful opportunity for out-of-town media to come to the Twin Cities and cover both teams.

Please complete and return the form at the bottom of this page to Marc Ryan, Director of Media Relations, so we can estimate our luncheon count and prepare 1995 media credentials. You can fax your response to (612) 625-0359 or mail it to: 516 15th Ave SE, 208 Bierman Building, Minneapolis, MN 55455.

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for the University of Minnesota football season, and we would like to pick up those credentials at the Metrodome on Media Day.

NOTE: If you requested such credentials a year ago and did not pick them up as directed or did not use them for every game, please do not make a similar request for 1995. If you are not able to cover all home games, please request your credentials on an individual game basis.

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PRACTICE BEGINS NEXT WEEK FOR GOLDEN GOPHER FOOTBALL TEAM

Coach Jim Wacker's University of Minnesota football team will begin practice sessions next week in preparation for the '95 season opener on Sept. 16 against Ball State at the Metrodome.

Led by Heisman Trophy hopeful Chris Darkins, a total of 38 letterwinners, including 32 that were listed on the two-deep for the '94 season finale against Iowa, return this season.

A reminder to all media that the '95 Golden Gopher Media Day will be held Friday, August 25 at 11:30 a.m. at the Metrodome. If you have not already done so, please notify the Media Relations Office at (612) 625-4090 if you plan to attend.

The practice schedule for the first week of the season is listed below:


Wednesday, August 23: First freshman practice (7:30 - 9 p.m.)

Thursday, August 24: Freshman practice (1 - 2 p.m. and 7:30 - 9 p.m.)

Friday, August 25: Media Day (11:30 a.m., Metrodome)

Saturday, August 26: First full squad practice (7:30 - 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.)

Sunday, August 27: Full squad practice (3:30 - 5:30 p.m.)



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STANLEY CUP, GOPHER ALUMS TO APPEAR AT THE STATE FAIR

One of the most prized trophies in all sports, the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup, will be on display Friday, Aug. 25 from 5-9 p.m. at the Minnesota State Fair in Falcon Heights. Appearing along with the Cup will be members of the 1995 NHL Champion New Jersey Devils and Golden Gopher hockey alumni Tom Chorske and Chris McAlpine. Fans are encouraged to bring their cameras and autograph memorabilia, as the players and the Cup will be accessible to the public at the Golden Gopher booth on the second floor of the Grandstand building.

The event coincides with the Golden Gopher hockey alumni weekend, with events scheduled Thursday through Saturday. For more information on the alumni weekend, please call (612) 625-8090.

The Stanley Cup is the oldest trophy competed for by professional athletes in North America. It was donated by Frederick Arthur, Lord Stanley of Preston and son of the Earl of Derby, in 1893. Lord Stanley purchased the trophy for \$50 for presentation to the amateur hockey champions of Canada. Since 1910, when the National Hockey Association took possession of the Stanley Cup, the trophy has been the symbol of professional hockey supremacy. It has been competed for only by NHL teams since 1926 and has been under control of the NHL since 1946.



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MEN'S ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT TO HAVE BOOTH AT STATE FAIR

Gopher basketball coach Clem Haskins will appear at the University of Minnesota Men's Athletics Department booth in the Upper level Grandstand at the Minnesota State Fair Thursday.

Haskin's appearance will be followed by several members of the Gopher coaching and administrative staff throughout the fair. Hockey coach Doug Woog, former NCAA national and current U.S. national gymnastics champion John Roethlisberger, football coach Jim Wacker, and athletics director Mark Dienhart are also scheduled to appear.

Goldy and the cheerleaders will also appear Aug. 24-27 and Aug. 31-Sept. 4 from 2-6 p.m.

A complete schedule follows:

Thursday	August 24	Clem Haskins	Basketball
Friday	August 25	Doug Woog	Hockey
Saturday	August 26	Dave Skrien	Football Administrative Assistant
Sunday	August 27	Fred Roethlisberger	Gymnastics
Sunday	August 27	John Roethlisberger	Gymnastics
Monday	August 28	Mike Guentzel	Asst. Hockey
Monday	August 28	Tom Ward	Asst. Hockey
Tuesday	August 29	Lynne Anderson	Asst. Track & Field
Tuesday	August 29	Phil Lundin	Track & Field
Wednesday	August 30	John Anderson	Baseball
Wednesday	August 30	John Means	Golf
Thursday	August 31	Larry Davis	Asst. Basketball
Friday	September 1	Rob Fornasiere	Asst. Baseball
Saturday	September 2	Doug Shaffer	Diving
Saturday	September 2	Dennis Dale	Swimming
Sunday	September 3	Jim Wacker	Football
Sunday	September 3	Dave Geatz	Tennis
Monday	September 4	Mark Dienhart	Athletic Director

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TO: Media Outlets Covering Minnesota Football

FROM: Marc Ryan, Director of Media Relations

RE: Media Services

DATE: August 25, 1995

Weekly Coach Wacker Media Luncheons

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11:50 a.m. - Barry Alvarez, Wisconsin

12:50 p.m. - Players of the Week (if available)

The entire teleconference will also be available for 48 hours after its completion by calling (312) 864-2820 and code "10". Please do not release these phone numbers to the public.

Weekly Big Ten Satellite Feed

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FOOTBALL MEDIA DAY
Friday, August 25, 1995**

Schedule of Events

- 11:30 a.m. Lunch service begins (Viking Lounge)
Pick up credentials
- Noon Coach Wacker
- 12:45 p.m. Media members move from Viking
Lounge down to field level to begin
one-on-one interviews with
players/coaches
- 2 p.m. Team departs

**Saturday Practice Schedule
(Gibson-Nagurski Complex)**

- Session #1 7:15 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Session #2 3:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.



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GOLDEN GOPHERS PLAN RADIO ROADBLOCK TO PROMOTE FOOTBALL SEASON OPENER

The University of Minnesota Marketing Department is planning a radio roadblock on Monday Sept. 11 from 7:20 to 7:30 a.m. to help promote the Golden Gophers' season opener against Ball State at the Metrodome on Sept. 16.

With a Wicked Witch impersonator talking about wearing a pair of Converse Chuck Taylor tennis shoes and mimicking Dorothy from The Wizard of Oz fame, "There's No Place Like The Home Opener" is the theme of the advertisement which is scheduled to run on more than 80 radio stations statewide during the 10-minute segment.

For \$25, fans not only get two tickets to the game against Ball State, but also a free pair of the tennis shoes.

"We're really excited about the concept," said Pat Forcica, assistant athletics director for external relations. "The idea is that just about anyone throughout the state who has their radio on during the morning drive time will hear the advertisement."

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TICKET OFFICE TO BEGIN EXTENDED HOURS FRIDAY

The University of Minnesota Athletics Ticket Sales Office has announced plans to extend business hours during peak months beginning Friday, Sept. 1. The ticket office will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday during September, October, November, and March.

In addition, the Golden Gopher ticket office phone lines will be open this Sunday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This is an exclusive Sunday in which the phone lines only (not the walk-up window) will be open.

The local number for the Golden Gopher Athletics Ticket Sales Office is (612) 624-8080. Fans outside the metro area can call 1-800-UGOPHER.

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GOLDEN GOPHER BASKETBALL CALIFORNIA TICKETS GO ON SALE SEPTEMBER 16

The Golden Gopher Athletics Ticket Office announced today that tickets for the Minnesota/California basketball game at the Metrodome on Dec. 16, will go on sale Saturday, Sept. 16. The Metrodome will be set up similar to the NCAA Tournament layout and will accommodate 35,000 people. This will be a great opportunity for non-season ticket holders to see the Golden Gophers play. In addition, people who purchase two California basketball tickets on the 16th will receive a voucher good for a free pair of tickets to the football opener vs. Ball State that evening at the Metrodome.

The basketball tickets are priced at \$10 and \$15 for adults and \$5 for students and youths 18 and under. The basketball/football ticket combo will be available on the 16th at Dayton's, Target stores in Bloomington and Shoreview, and the Golden Gopher Athletics Ticket Office in Mariucci Arena.

Head Basketball Coach Clem Haskins, Goldy, cheerleaders, and members of the Alumni Band will make public appearances and sign autographs to promote the event at the Ridgedale Dayton's (Noon-1 p.m.), the Shoreview Target store (10 a.m.-11 a.m.), and the Bloomington Target (2 p.m.-3 p.m.) on Saturday the 16th.

Tickets to the California basketball game at the Metrodome will be available after the 16th through any TicketMaster outlet or at the Golden Gopher Athletics Ticket Office. For more information call the ticket office at (612) 624-8080.



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DEFENSE, DARKINS SHINE IN GOLDEN GOPHERS' FIRST SCRIMMAGE

The overall play of the defense and an electrifying 95-yard touchdown run by Heisman Trophy candidate Chris Darkins highlighted the University of Minnesota Golden Gophers' first football scrimmage of the season Saturday at Bierman Stadium.

Junior defensive end Jerome Davis got the defense on the scoreboard when he tackled sophomore quarterback Cory Sauter in the end zone early in the scrimmage. Junior cornerback Terrance Blayne intercepted a pass in the corner of the end zone to stop offensive drive, while redshirt freshman linebacker Rufus Smith recorded an interception of his own near midfield later in the scrimmage.

Darkins provided the offensive fireworks. He took a handoff from junior quarterback Jason Murdock, cut to the outside and then it was off to the races. Darkins finished the day with 125 yards on seven carries.

"I was really encouraged by the play of our defense, with the exception of the one long run by Darkins," Golden Gopher Coach Jim Wacker said. "The coverage in the secondary was outstanding. Terrance Blayne played really well, and along with Rodney Heath, gives us two very good players at the corners."

The Golden Gophers will open the 1995 season on Saturday, Sept. 16 in the Metrodome against Ball State.

PASSING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Comp</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Int</u>
Cory Sauter	4	9	25	----	1
Jason Murdock	2	14	20	----	1
Rob Jones	2	8	25	----	----
Spergon Wynn III	4	7	45	----	----
Billy Cockerham	5	10	41	----	----
Derek Rackley	3	7	21	----	----

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RECEIVING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rec</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>
Tony Vann	2	13	---
Kahlen Barnes	1	5	---
Ryan Hubbard	1	19	---
Thomas Hamner	1	6	---
Chris Darkins	1	(-4)	---
Rafael Cooper	1	13	---
Greg Nelson	1	7	---
Tutu Atwell	2	22	---
Johnny Woodson	1	7	---
Paul Kratochvil	1	6	---
Lyman Myers III	3	23	---
Jimmy Wyrick	2	36	---
Keith Dimmy	1	8	---
Alex Hass	1	9	---
Bo Wasurick	1	7	---

RUSHING

<u>Name</u>	<u>Att</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>TD</u>
Tommy Watson	5	(-7)	---
Chris Darkins	7	125	1
Tutu Atwell	2	14	---
Rafael Cooper	13	31	---
Billy Cockerham	3	12	1
Byron Evans	6	(-4)	---
Cory Sauter	4	(-1)	---
Javon Jackson	13	38	---
Rob Jones	3	(-4)	---
Chris Anders	5	18	1
Jason Murdock	1	(-6)	---
Thomas Hamner	6	36	---
Verdis Webb III	9	35	---
Spergon Wynn III	1	7	---
Jim Bean	4	18	---

INTERCEPTIONS

<u>Name</u>	<u>No</u>
Terrance Blayne	1
Rufus Smith	1

SCORING SUMMARY

Anders 3 run (Chalberg kick)
Darkins 95 run (no PAT attempted)
Safety, Sauter tackled in end zone by Davis
Cockerham 2 run (Bailey kick)

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The logo features the Gopher mascot, a cartoon gopher wearing a dark sweater with a white 'M' and a white 'G' on it, and a white scarf. The mascot is positioned behind the word 'SPORTS' in the 'SPORTS NEWS' title.

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GOPHERS ANNOUNCE CHANGE OF DATE FOR MIDNIGHT MADNESS

The University of Minnesota men's athletic department announced today that they have had to change the date of "Midnight Madness" - the first official day of basketball practice for the 1995-96 basketball Golden Gophers - from Friday, October 13th at midnight to Saturday, October 14th at midnight. The Gophers were one of 12 schools that had to make this date change at the request of the NCAA.

"I'm told someone at the NCAA was a bit spooked about the prospect of beginning the basketball season with an event on Friday the 13th," said Gophers Assistant Athletic Director Pat Forceia. "Saturday is shaping up to be the most exciting fall homecoming days in the University's history."

"Midnight Madness" will now become the final event of Magic Johnson's Blockbuster Weekend - a series of events designed to raise money for AIDS organizations across the state. Magic Johnson's "Stand Against AIDS" will take place Saturday with registration starting at 9:30 a.m. and an opening ceremony at 11 a.m.

The schedule of events for the special evening will remain the same:

- 6 p.m. - Gophers homecoming football game vs. Northwestern
- 10 p.m. - Rock concert at Williams Arena featuring Mick Sterling and the Stud Brothers
- 11 p.m. - Celebrity basketball events featuring Magic Johnson
- Midnight - First basketball practice of the year

For more information about the weekend call either Pat Forceia at 625-0507 or Art Sasse at 399-0673.

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REGENTS TO DISCUSS FOOTBALL, VOTE ON SWITCH TO SEMESTERS THURSDAY, SEPT. 7

The University of Minnesota board of regents will receive the final report from President Hasselmo's blue ribbon panel on football, and will vote on a resolution to change to a semester-based academic calendar by fall 1999 during their monthly meetings Thursday and Friday, Sept. 7 and 8.

Action on the resolution to switch to a semester system will be taken at Thursday's educational planning and policy committee meeting. The resolution cites several advantages of a semester-based calendar over the current quarter-based system, including easier transferability for many students, the chance for more cooperative ventures with other institutions and greater administrative efficiency.

The blue ribbon panel on football was appointed last November to develop recommendations for improving the Gophers' on-field competitiveness. Though no immediate board action is necessary, the regents will be asked to approve a resolution making clear that winning will not be pursued at all costs, that there are no plans to build an on-campus football stadium and that academic standards will not be relaxed for student-athletes. The resolution will be voted on at Thursday's committee of the whole meeting. After the meeting is over, there will be a **media availability** in 238 Morrill with President Hasselmo, regents board chair Tom Reagan, Vice President for Student Development and Athletics McKinley Boston and Men's Athletic Director Mark Dienhart.

Here's a schedule of committee meetings and a sample of agenda items:

Thursday, Sept. 7

- 8 a.m. Faculty, staff and student affairs, 238 Morrill. Student financial aid discussion.
- 9:30 a.m. Facilities, 238 Morrill. Amendments to capital budget.
- 10:15 a.m. Educational planning and policy, 238 Morrill. Vote on conversion to semesters.
- 10:15 a.m. Financial operations, 300 Morrill.
- 2:15 p.m. Committee of the whole, 238 Morrill. Final report on blue ribbon panel on football, discussion of final environmental impact statement on proposed renovations to the university steam plant.

Friday, Sept. 8

- 9:30 a.m. Committee of the whole, 238 Morrill. Strategic issues facing Academic Health Center.
- After committee of the whole, board of regents, 238 Morrill.

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STAFF RESPONSIBILITY CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN MEN'S ATHLETICS

University of Minnesota Men's Athletics Director Dr. Mark Dienhart has announced a number of staff responsibility changes that are effective immediately.

Associate Athletic Director Jeff Schemmel will become the chief administrative officer in the department where he will assume most of Dienhart's former responsibilities. In addition to continuing to serve as the director of championship events hosted by the U of M, Schemmel will now oversee general department administrative activities, the ticket office, sports support functions in strength and conditioning and medical services and the student development program. He will also be the department's primary liaison to the academic counseling and financial aid units, and continue to oversee the compliance office during the transition period.

Formerly assistant athletics director for business and finance, Pete Hagan is now the assistant athletics director for administration. He will retain his responsibilities in business and finance, but also assume additional responsibilities in human resources and in overseeing all facilities management personnel.

Ellen Downing, formerly secretary to the director, will assume the new title of coordinator of human resources where she will handle personnel issues, including the management of job searches, compliance with EEO requirements, employee orientations, department-wide professional development activities, etc.

Craig Fahey, assistant athletics ticket office manager, will now also serve as the department's business manager in addition to his current duties.

Jan Unstad, who had served as the director of development, is now the executive director of development where she will assume complete responsibility for the management of the department's fund raising activities.

Scott Ellison has been named the director of facilities. In addition to continuing to manage Mariucci Arena, Williams Arena and the Sports Pavilion, he will also oversee facilities management for the Bierman Athletic Complex, Gibson-Nagurski Football Building, Peik Gymnasium and the St. Paul campus soccer field.

"I'm excited that we were able to reassign responsibilities within the department so that the need was minimized for additional staff and searches to cover the day-to-day functioning of the department," Dienhart said. "These are outstanding people and I look ahead to the department continuing to make progress without missing a beat."





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	Dinner and social event	Dellwood Hills G.C.
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Head Football Coach **Jim Wacker's** press conference (available at 1 p.m. CDT)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Senior running back **Chris Darkins**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Head Cross Country Coach **Roy Griak** - preview of the upcoming cross country season

SAT. - SUN, SEPTEMBER 17-18

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THIS WEEK...

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Football vs. **Ball State University**
H.H.H. Metrodome
6 p.m. WCCO-AM (830)
Midwest Sports Channel

Cross Country at Collegiate Open
Kenosha, Wis.
10 a.m.

Golf **ReliaStar Collegiate Invitational**
Dellwood, Minn.
Dellwood Hills Golf Club
All Day

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Golf **ReliaStar Collegiate Invitational**
Dellwood, Minn.
Dellwood Hills Golf Club
All Day

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Golf **ReliaStar Collegiate Invitational**
Dellwood, Minn.
Dellwood Hills Golf Club
All Day

WEEKLY RELEASE CHANGE

The University of Minnesota Men's Media Relations Office will be producing four separate releases during the 1995-96 academic year. Football, basketball and hockey information will be covered in sport-specific weekly releases, while information on "Olympic Sports" will appear each Monday in this release. Please refer any questions to the Men's Media Relations office at (612) 625-4090.



BASKETBALL

Gophers announce change of date for Midnight Madness:

The University of Minnesota Men's Athletic Department announced today that they have had to change the date of "Midnight Madness" - the first official day of basketball practice for the 1995-96 basketball Golden Gophers - from Friday, October 13th at midnight to Saturday, October 14th at midnight. The Gophers were one of 12 schools that had to make this date change at the request of the NCAA.

"I'm told someone at the NCAA was a bit spooked about the prospect of beginning the basketball season with an event on Friday the 13th," said Gophers Assistant Athletic Director Pat Forceia. "Saturday is shaping up to be the most exciting fall homecoming days in the University's history."

"Midnight Madness" will now become the final event of Magic Johnson's Blockbuster Weekend - a series of events designed to raise money for AIDS organizations across the state. Magic Johnson's "Stand Against AIDS" will take place Saturday with registration starting at 9:30 a.m. and an opening ceremony at 11 a.m.

The schedule of events for the special evening will remain the same:

- 6 p.m. - Gophers homecoming football game vs. Northwestern
- 10 p.m. - Rock concert at Williams Arena featuring Mick Sterling and the Stud Brothers
- 11 p.m. - Celebrity basketball events featuring Magic Johnson
- Midnight - First basketball practice of the year

For more information about the weekend call either Pat Forceia at 625-0507 or Art Sasse at 399-0673.



CROSS COUNTRY

1995 CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

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Obleman, a two-year letterwinner, paced the team last year with a 22nd-place finish at the Big Ten Championships and then came back to place 39th at the District Four meet. Michalek, 40th at last fall's Big Ten meet, is coming off outstanding indoor and outdoor track seasons and will look to continue his recent success into cross country season.

"Those three are going to be key performers for us this fall," said Head Coach Roy Griak. "They've been working hard all summer long and have their sights set on an outstanding season."

Newcomers will be tested early: One of Griak's finest recruiting classes ever will be put to the test right away. Headlining the newcomers are **BRENDON O'BRIEN** (Rhinelander, Wis.) and **CHARLES McCLURE** (Brookfield, Wis.). O'Brien captured last year's Wisconsin state large school cross country title with McClure right on his heels in second.

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NCAA OFFICIAL SCORING SUMMARY

Visitor _____ vs. _____ Home _____

Overall Record Now _____ Stadium Metrodome Overall Record Now _____

Date Sept. 9 19 95 Site Minneapolis, MN Attendance _____

(City, State)

Final Scrimmage

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	OT	Final
(V)						
(H)						

Sample:	1	7:43	John Smith 36 Pass from Bill Jones	Tim Brown Kick	7-64	7-0
(Team)	(Qtr.)	(Time Left)	(Scoring Play)	(Conversion)	(Drive Play-Yds.)	(Score)
			<u>Thelwell 71 pass from Sauter</u>	<u>Chalberg Kick</u>		
			<u>Woodson 56 pass from Sauter</u>	<u>Chalberg Kick</u>		
			<u>Darkins 4 run</u>	<u>McManus Kick</u>		
			<u>Levine 68 pass from Sauter</u>	<u>Bailey Kick</u>		
			<u>Cooper 9 run</u>	<u>Chalberg Kick</u>		

Time of Game: Kickoff _____ End of Game _____ Total Elapsed Time _____

Officials _____

Temperature _____ Wind _____ at _____ MPH Weather _____

NCAA FINAL INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Home

Rushing	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long
Chris Perkins	7			39	1	
Javon Jackson	2			10	0	
Ketael Cooper	8			27	1	
Tommy Watson	3			-1	0	
Jason Murdock	2			2	0	
Thomas Hamner	2			7	0	
Byron Evans	2			4	0	
Rob Jones	3			-3	0	
Chris Anders	1			2	0	
Totals						

Passing	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yards	TD	Long	Sacks
Cory Sauter	18	11	0	270	3		
Jason Murdock	19	11	0	90	0		
Rob Jones	2	1	0	6	0		
Totals							

Pass Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Ryan Howell	5	108	1	
Derrick Harvey	3	27	0	
Chris Perkins	1	-3	0	
Joe Hutton	4	26	0	
Mark Tangen	3	16	0	
Johnny Woodson	1	56	1	
Greg Nelson	1	24	0	
Tony Levine	3	97	1	
Paul Hutochvil	2	15	0	
Totals				

Punting	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
Totals				

Field Goals	Attempts	Made
Mike Chalberg	44-56	(37)
<i>attempted as an XP</i>		
Totals		

(After player's name list distances of each attempt and circle FGs Made, e.g., 46- (23) -35)

All Returns*	Punts			Kickoffs			Int. Passes		
	No.	Yds.	LP	No.	Yds.	LP	No.	Yds.	LP
Totals									

Visitor

Rushing	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long
Totals						

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Totals							

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*Fumble Returns listed on Defensive Statistics Chart.
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SAT. - SUN, SEPTEMBER 23-24

Head Football Coach **Jim Wacker**, Syracuse postgame comments (available 10:30 p.m. CDT Saturday)

THIS WEEK...

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Golf Wolverine Invitational
Ann Arbor, Mich.
University of Michigan Course
All Day

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Cross Country Iowa-Drake Invitational
Iowa City, Iowa
10:30 a.m., 8,000 meters

Football at Syracuse
Syracuse, N.Y.
Carrier Dome
11 a.m. CDT, WCCO-AM (830)
WCCO-TV (4) (live, Creative Sports)

Golf Wolverine Invitational
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

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GOLF

Barber Wins ReliaStar - LSU Wins Team Title

Senior All-America candidate **AARON BARBER** (New London, Minn.) carded an even par 72 to win the ReliaStar Collegiate Golf Invitational by two strokes over Scott Rowe of Northwestern last Monday. Barber finished with a three-round total of 215 to garner his first collegiate tournament victory. Rowe fired a 69 on the final day to finish in a three-way tie with Jay Osman of Colorado State and P.J. Smith of LSU.

Louisiana State was led to the team title by P.J. Smith and D.A. Points who carded 67 and 68 respectively on the last day. The Tigers came from six strokes behind the Golden Gophers to win by 11 over Northwestern. They shot seven under par as a team on the final round to finish at 874.

Golden Gopher Recap: Golden Gopher sophomore **ADAM DOOLEY** (Albany, Minn.) finished ninth in only his second collegiate tournament at 221. Minnesota freshman **BILL THOMPSON** (Wayzata, Minn.), competing as an individual, carded a 223 to finish in a tie for 13th with teammate **ANDY KOMOR** (New Brighton, Minn.). Rounding out the Minnesota team scoring was freshman **MATT DOYLE** (Simsbury, Conn.) with a 225, good for 21st. Junior **MARK HALVERSON** (Fargo, N.D.) carded a 227 to finish 30th, while sophomore **ROB KERR** (Pointe Claire, Quebec) was 40th at 229.

Next up: The Golden Gophers travel to Ann Arbor, Mich. this weekend for the Wolverine Invitational. Following the Wolverine Invitational, the Maroon and Gold will have a week off before competing in the Windom Memorial in Evanston, Ill., on Oct. 9-10.

TEAM RESULTS


1. LOUISIANA ST.	300-293-281=874
2. NORTHWESTERN	298-296-291=885
3. MINNESOTA	298-289-299=886
COLORADO ST.	298-297-291=886
5. UCLA	296-301-292=889
6. KANSAS	298-302-292=895
7. DUKE	310-304-287=901
8. FLORIDA STATE	304-303-296=903
9. MICHIGAN	305-309-300=914
IOWA	305-308-301=914
11. VANDERBILT	311-304-305=920
12. RHODE ISLAND	307-312-304=923

TOP TEN INDIVIDUALS

1. Aaron Barber, Minnesota	72-71-72=215
2. Scott Rowe, Northwestern	74-74-69=217
P.J. Smith, LSU	72-78-67=217
Jay Osman, Colorado St.	69-77-71=217
5. B.J. Schlagenhauf, UCLA	70-75-73=218
Alan Stearns, Kansas	69-78-71=218
7. Brian Payne, Northwestern	72-74-73=219
Brian Bateman, LSU	77-68-74=219
9. Adam Dooley, Minnesota	72-72-77=221
Jeff Fugimoto, Colorado St.	76-72-73=221

Other Gophers: 13. Bill Thompson 223, Andy Komor 223, 25. Matt Doyle 225, 30. Mark Halverson 227, 40. Rob Kerr 229

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The Gopher harriers will return to action next Saturday, when they play host to the Minnesota Invitational on the Les Bolstad U of M Golf Course. The men's race is scheduled to begin at 11 a.m.

**IOWA CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL
SEPTEMBER 23, 1995
FINKBINE FIELD
IOWA CITY, IOWA**

TEAM RESULTS: 1. Iowa, 21; 2. Minnesota, 43; 3. Drake, 75; 4. Western Illinois, 103.

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SAT., SEPT. 30 - SUN., OCT. 1

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Football

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(Live)

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The No. 2 University of Wisconsin cross country team will return this year to defend the men's team and individual titles. The meet will also feature five additional teams that were ranked in the pre-season top-25, including No. 4 Iowa State, No. 7 Georgetown, No. 11 Penn State, No. 16 Providence and No. 21 Kansas.



GOLF

Doyle wins Wolverine Invitational; Leads team to first victory of the season: Freshman Matt Doyle (Simsbury, Conn.) carded a final-round 73 to tie for medalist honors at the Wolverine Invitational in Ann Arbor, Mich., this past weekend. His final round score was the lowest of the leaders, giving him the victory over Jonathan Clark of Marshall and Kyle Voska of Miami because there was no playoff. Doyle's two round total of 218 led the Golden Gophers to their first victory of the season. The Maroon and Gold came from six shots behind Miami on the final day to win by two strokes, 897-899. Doyle was followed in the scoring by senior All-American Aaron Barber (New London, Minn.) who finished tied for ninth at 223. Junior Mark Halverson (Fargo, N.D.) was tied for 14th at 226. Freshman Bill Thompson (Wayzata, Minn.) was 37th at 230, while sophomore Adam Dooley (Albany, Minn.) was 90th at 240. Miami finished second in the tournament with a score of 899, followed by Indiana at 900. Purdue was fourth at 902 and Ohio University was fifth at 905.

Next up: The Golden Gophers will take a week off before heading to Evanston, Ill., to defend their title in the Windon Memorial Collegiate Golf tournament, Oct. 9-10, which is hosted by Northwestern.

The numbers: Senior All-American candidate Aaron Barber leads the team with a 73.0 stroke average after two tournaments followed by Doyle at 73.8. Halverson is at 75.5, Thompson is at 75.5, Andy Komor (So., New Brighton, Minn.) is at 74.3, Rob Kerr (So., Pointe Claire, Quebec) is at 76.3 and Dooley is at 76.8.

Team and individual scoring from the Wolverine Invitational

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minnesota, 897 2. Miami, 899 3. Indiana, 900 4. Purdue, 902 5. Ohio University, 904 6. Marshall University, 905 7. Wisconsin, 907 8. Louisville, 908 9. Notre Dame, 912 10. Penn State, 915 11. Eastern Michigan, 918 Northern Illinois, 918 13. Michigan, 919 14. Michigan State, 920 15. Eastern Kentucky, 924 16. Iowa, 925 17. Bowling Green, 933 18. Wright State, 934 19. Akron, 936 20. Detroit, 939 21. Kentucky 943 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Matt Doyle, Minnesota 75-70-73=218 Kyle Voska, Miami 75-69-74=218 Jon Clark, Marshall 70-72-76=218 4. M. van den Berg, Miami, 72-72-75=219 Randy Leen, Indiana, 76-70-73=219 Jim Sudac, Purdue 77-71-71=219 7. Keith Ohr, Louisville, 72-74-74=220 8. Don Padgett, Indiana 74-76-72=222 9. Aaron Barber, Minnesota 75-72-76=223 Adam Decker, Penn State 75-74-74=223 <p>Other Gopher scores</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark Halverson, 76-74-76=226 (14th) Bill Thompson, 74-8-76=230 (37th) Adam Dooley, 82-80-78=240 (90th) |
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HOCKEY

Hockey Team Begins Practice Today: The 1995-96 Golden Gopher hockey season begins in earnest with the first official team practice at 2:30 p.m. today at Mariucci Arena. The team will skate at that time Monday through Friday each of the next three weeks in preparation for the season opener on Friday, Oct. 13, at Michigan Tech.

The Golden Gophers return 17 lettermen and lose only four from last season's 25-14-5 team that reached the NCAA Final Four for the second consecutive season and the sixth time in Head Coach Doug Woog's 10-year career. Co-captains **BRIAN BONIN (Sr., White Bear Lake, Minn.)**, who was a finalist last season for the Hobey Baker Award, and **DAN TREBIL (Sr., Bloomington, Minn.)**, who led all WCHA defensemen in scoring in league games in 1994-95, lead a veteran group that includes 10 seniors.


Media Information: Any requests for interviews can be made through Brad Ruitter at the U of M Media Relations office, and to insure that they can be done in a timely fashion, should be made at least 24 hours prior to the day you would like the interview. This season, to allow players and coaches the necessary time to prepare for practice, all interviews must be concluded with players and coaches at least 15 minutes before practice starts. Please call (612) 625-4090 if you have any questions.

Mall Of America Clinic Slated For Saturday: On Saturday, Sept. 30 from Noon - 1 p.m., the Mall of America's east rotunda will be turned into a hockey arena for a day when Head Coach Doug Woog and the Golden Gophers will appear on ice. A demonstration of hockey and skating skills will be followed by a short clinic. The event is free and open to the public.

Media Day Set For Friday, Oct. 6: Hockey media day is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 6 at Noon in the Club Room at Mariucci Arena. Head Coach Doug Woog will be available to answer questions, as well as senior co-captains Brian Bonin and Dan Trebil. An intrasquad scrimmage will be held following media day from 2:30 - 5 p.m.

Credential Requests: All requests for season or single game credentials to Golden Gopher hockey should be made on letterhead to Brad Ruitter in care of the University of Minnesota Men's Athletics Media Relations Office. The fax number is (612) 625-0359.

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FORMER GOPHERS PARTICIPATE IN "TICKETS FOR KIDS" EVENT

Three former Golden Gopher football players have purchased 100 tickets each for Saturday's football tickets against Arkansas State at the Metrodome and donated the tickets to the "Tickets For Kids" program. The charity allows kids to attend a college sporting event and support the Golden Gophers.

New Orleans kicker Chip Lohmiller, along with New York Giants receiver Omar Douglas and center Brian Williams all donated tickets for the event. Lohmiller donated his tickets to the Jaycee Foundation, Douglas to the African-American Mentor Program with St. Paul Schools, and Williams to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

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MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING TEAM RANKED 10TH IN THE NATION

The University of Minnesota men's swimming and diving team is ranked 10th in the nation in the current *College Sport Magazine's* preseason swimming poll. The Golden Gopher swimmers finished ninth in the nation at last year's championships and second at the Big Ten Championships for the sixth consecutive year. Defending NCAA swimming and diving national champion Michigan is atop the poll and is the only other Big Ten team in the top 10. The Golden Gophers open the 1995-96 swim season Oct. 14, at the Aquatic Center against the U of M alumni.

The *College Sports Magazine's* Preseason Division I Men's Swimming Top 10 follows:

1. Michigan 97 (8)
2. Stanford 90 (2)
3. Auburn 79
4. Texas 72
5. Arizona 45
6. Tennessee 40
7. California 37
8. USC 32
9. SMU 27
- 10. Minnesota 21**

(First place votes)