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MEMORANDUM

TO: Football Coaching Staff
FROM: Marc Ryan *MR*
RE: Final Football Rankings

I have attached the final Sagarin ratings (team-by-team and conference), along with the AP and *USA Today*/Hall of Fame national polls and complete bowl results.

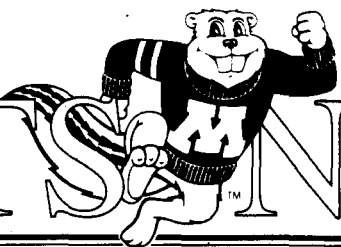
A couple of things that may help on the recruiting trail. Note that (regardless of our 2-4 record in the bowls) Sagarin still has the Big Ten as the top-rated conference in the nation. This might help out when you are trying to attract kids that are live in Big Eight (now Big 12 with the SWC schools) country, SEC country, Big East country, Pac 10 country or wherever the recruiting road takes you.

Another thing to note is that according to Sagarin, we had the seventh toughest schedule in the nation in '95. In fact, nine of the top 10 are Big Ten schools. Our three non-conference opponents — Syracuse (9-3), Ball State (7-4) and Arkansas State (6-5) — all had winning records as well. The top 10 are listed below (schedule rating):

1. Michigan State (82.96)
 2. Wisconsin (82.69)
 3. Indiana (82.19)
 4. Purdue (81.88)
 5. Northwestern (81.83)
 6. Illinois (81.48)
 7. **MINNESOTA (80.98)**
 8. Ohio State (80.94)
 9. Michigan (80.31)
 10. Notre Dame (80.27)
- Also: Penn State (80.22)
Iowa (76.40)

Please don't hesitate to call or stop down to the Media Relations Office if we can be of assistance in any way. Keep believing and plugging away. Take Care!





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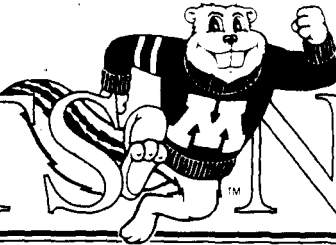
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GOLDEN GOPHERS TO PLAY NORTHEAST LOUISIANA IN 1996 OPENER

The University of Minnesota announced today that a preliminary agreement has been reached to play Northeast Louisiana at Malone Stadium in Monroe, La., on Saturday, September 7, in the 1996 football season opener.

The Golden Gophers were set to open the 1996 season at the University of Pacific on Saturday, September 7. Pacific's Board of Regents, however, voted last month to stop playing football for at least one season due to a budget shortfall, so a new opening game opponent needed to be found to fill the Golden Gophers' 11-game schedule.

Due to a Twins game in the Metrodome on September 7, the game could not be played at home. As part of the agreement, the Golden Gophers will play host to Northeast Louisiana on September 11, 1999 and September 2, 2000.

"Pacific dropping its football program had potentially disastrous consequences for us if we had not been able to arrange a game with another Division I-A institution," said Director of Men's Athletics Dr. Mark Dienhart. "We originally hoped to arrange a seventh home game, but the availability of the Metrodome proved to be a problem. We subsequently found out that there were very, very few schools with openings on the date we needed a game. At this point we feel very fortunate to have found a game that keeps the rest of our schedule intact."

1996 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 7	at Northeast Louisiana
Sept. 14	BALL STATE
Sept. 21	SYRACUSE
Oct. 5	at Purdue
Oct. 12	at Northwestern
Oct. 19	MICHIGAN STATE
Oct. 26	MICHIGAN
Nov. 2	at Ohio State
Nov. 9	at Wisconsin
Nov. 16	ILLINOIS
Nov. 23	IOWA

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MONDAY, JANUARY 8

Head Wrestling Coach **J Robinson**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

Assistant Basketball Coach **Milt Barnes** with a Penn State scouting report

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10

Head Hockey Coach **Doug Woog**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

Head Track and Field Coach **Phil Lundin** with a preview of Saturday's season-opening Northwest Open meet

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Head Swimming and Diving coach **Dennis Dale**

SAT-SUN, JANUARY 13-14

Head Basketball Coach **Clem Haskins** with postgame comments following Saturday's game vs. Purdue

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<http://espn.sportszone.com>

THIS WEEK...

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9

Wrestling vs. **Nebraska**
Sports Pavilion
7 p.m., MSC

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11

Basketball at Penn State
Bryce Jordan Center (15,000)
University Park, Pa.
6:30 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Hockey vs. **Minnesota-Duluth**
Mariucci Arena
7:05 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Wrestling

at Virginia Duals
Norfolk, Va.
All Day

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

Basketball vs. **Purdue**
Williams Arena
1:15 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

Gymnastics

Alumni Meet
Sports Pavilion
1 p.m.

Hockey

vs. **Minnesota-Duluth**
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7:05 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Swimming & Diving

at Kansas
Robinson Natatorium
Lawrence, Kan.
1 p.m.

Track & Field

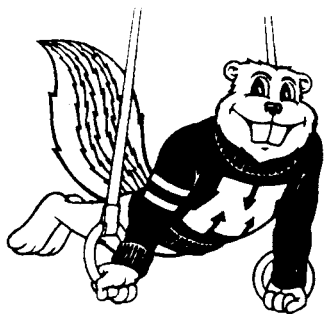
Northwest Open
Field House
9 a.m.

Wrestling

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All Day

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Tennis at Great Northwest Shoot-Out
vs. Utah/Washington winner
Nordstrom Tennis Center
Seattle, Wash.
1 p.m.



GYMNASTICS

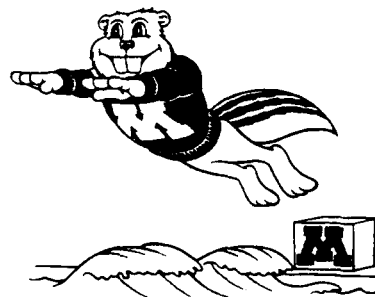
Gymnasts Ranked Ninth in the Country: The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team is ranked ninth in the College Sports Magazine's preseason Top 10. The defending Big Ten Champs are one of four Big Ten teams in the poll. Ohio State is second, Penn State is fifth and Iowa seventh.

The College Sports Top 10

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|---------------|--------|
| 1. Stanford | 89(5) |
| 2. Ohio State | 83 (4) |
| 3. Nebraska | 80 |
| 4. Oklahoma | 59 (1) |
| 5. Penn State | 54 |
| 6. California | 51 |
| 7. Iowa | 50 |
| 8. New Mexico | 42 |
| 9. Minnesota | 22 |
| 10. BYU | 7 |

Alumni Meet Saturday: The Gophers have their annual alumni meet on Saturday, Jan. 13 at 1 p.m. Admission is free and there will be free pizza and soft drinks available for everyone who is in attendance.

Windy City Invitational Jan. 19-20: The Minnesota gymnasts first meet of the year is in two weeks at the Windy City Invitational in Chicago, Ill. Teams from all over the country will compete in the two day event. Last year Minnesota finished fifth behind Iowa, Ohio State, Illinois-Chicago and Michigan. This season Minnesota will be led by senior captain **Andrew Weaver (Sr., Albuquerque, N.M.)** who was an all-Big Ten selection last season and placed fifth in the Big Ten Championships in 1995.



SWIMMING & DIVING

Kansas and Nebraska Dual: The Golden Gophers will travel to Lawrence, Kan., this Saturday, Jan. 13, for non-conference dual competition against the 21st-ranked Kansas Jayhawks and 20th-ranked Nebraska Cornhuskers. The duals are set to begin at 1 p.m. at the Robinson Natatorium.

Gold Country Invite: The Maroon and Gold captured top honors at the Gold Country Invitational last weekend in Minneapolis. The tankers won every event, finishing 1-2 in every race. **Bernie Zeruhn (Sr., Hamburg, Germany)** claimed three events, winning the 100 backstroke, 50 freestyle and the 200 IM. Double winners included **P.J. Bogart (Sr., Mesa, Ariz.)** in 1- and 3-meter diving, **Derek Williams (Sr., Lansdale, Pa.)** in the 100 freestyle and butterfly and **Manolis Lentaris (So., Hania, Crete, Greece)** in the 200 freestyle and backstroke. Individual event winners were **Ty Bathurst (So., Albuquerque, N.M.)** in the 100 breaststroke, **Jeff Miller (Fr., Brookfield, Wis.)** in the 500 freestyle, **Jeff Rodriguez (So., Pecos, Texas)** in the 400 IM, **Kenji Sudoh (Sr., Maplewood, Minn.)** in the 200 breaststroke, **Gavin Thornton (Fr., Burnsville, Minn.)** in the 200 butterfly and **Jeremy Witikko (Fr., Hastings, Minn.)** in the 1650 freestyle.

Up Next: The Golden Gophers will travel to Indianapolis, Ind., to compete in duals against Notre Dame, So. Illinois and Purdue on January 19-20.

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December 10-24	Winter Training Trip- Sacred Heart College		W 218-44
January 6	Gold Country Invitational		
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March 28-30	NCAA Championships		
	Home events in BOLD		



TRACK & FIELD

Track Begins Indoor Season with Northwest

Open: Minnesota's men's track and field team will open the season on Saturday, when the team plays host to the Northwest Open at the UM Field House. Field events and the developmental running events are scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m., while the invitational running will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Northwest Open Schedule

Field Events:

- 9:30 a.m. Long Jump (W, M)
- 10:30 a.m. High Jump (M, W)
- 10:30 a.m. Shot Put (W, M)
- 10:30 a.m. Pole Vault (M)
- Triple Jump will follow Long Jump

Developmental Section:

- 9:30 a.m. 400m Dash (W, M)
- 600m Dash (W, M)
- 800m Dash (W, M)
- Ron Daws Masters Mile Run (Co-Ed)
- Distance Medley Relay (800, 400, 1200, 1600; W,M)

Invitational Section:

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| 11:30 a.m. | Garry Bjorklund 3,000m Run (W,M) | |
| Noon | 55m Hurdles (W,M) | Trials |
| | 55m Dash (W,M) | Trials |
| 1 p.m. | One Mile Run (W,M) | |
| 1:30 p.m. | 55m Hurdles (M,W) | Finals |
| 1:45 p.m. | 55m Dash (M,W) | Finals |
| 1:55 p.m. | 400m Dash (W,M) | |
| 2:15 p.m. | 600m Dash (W,M) | |
| 2:35 p.m. | 800m Run (W,M) | |
| 2:55 p.m. | 4x400m Relay (W,M) | |

All events will be run as heats against time with the exception of the 55m Dash and 55m Hurdles.



WRESTLING

Minnesota to Wrestle No. 3 Nebraska Tomorrow

Night: The Nebraska Cornhuskers will travel to the Twin Cities tomorrow for a dual meet at 7 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion. The fifth-ranked Golden Gophers will attempt to preserve their unbeaten record at the Sports Pavilion in the Midwest SportsChannel-televised dual. Ryan Lefebvre will handle the play-by-play, while former Golden Gopher All-American Jim Martinez will provide color analysis.

This will be the first of two dual meets to be televised by MSC this season. The Feb. 24 matchup against No. 4 Michigan State will also be broadcast live.

One vs. Two Highlight of Tuesday's Dual:

Minnesota's second-ranked senior heavyweight **Billy Pierce** (Minneapolis, Minn.) has posted a 16-1 record so far this season, and his only loss came at the hands of Nebraska's Tolly Thompson in the finals of the Northern Open. Pierce will get another chance at Thompson, who is currently the top-ranked heavyweight in the country, in the final match of Tuesday's dual.


Gophers defeat Sioux at Grand Rapids High

School: The fifth-ranked Minnesota wrestling team posted a 43-9 victory over North Dakota on Friday night at Grand Rapids (Minn.) High School. The Golden Gophers improved their record to 4-0-1, while the Fighting Sioux dropped to 1-4 on the season.

In four of the seven contested weight classes, Golden Gophers won by pins. Redshirt freshmen **Pat Connors** (126, 8-7, Longview, Wash.) and **Tim Hartung** (177, 13-4, Durand, Wis.) and junior **Gerald Carr** (167, 12-2, Dublin, Ga.) won by pinning their opponents, as did Grand Rapids High School graduate **Jeremy Goeden**, who wrestled at heavyweight in his homecoming.

No. 5 Minnesota 43, North Dakota 9

- 118- Adrian Simmons, UND, win by forfeit
- 126- Pat Connors, Minn., pinned Charlie Ritchie, UND, 2:34
- 134- Nick Antila, Minn., win by forfeit
- 142- No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., maj. dec. Ben Berogan, UND, 23-8
- 150- Troy Marr, Minn., dec. Sean McDonald, UND, 7-6
- 158- Chris Johncheck, UND, dec. Jesse Krebs, Minn., 8-6
- 167- No. 9 Gerald Carr, Minn., pinned James Kisgen, UND, 5:35
- 177- Tim Hartung, Minn., pinned Travis Hughes, UND, 5:21
- 190- Chad Kraft, Minn., win by forfeit
- HWT- Jeremy Goeden, Minn., pinned Keith MacArthur, UND, 2:55



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MINNESOTA'S PIERCE DEFEATS TOP-RANKED THOMPSON; TEAM LOSES TO NEBRASKA BY THREE POINTS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.- Minnesota senior heavyweight Billy Pierce earned a 4-1 victory over top-ranked and defending NCAA Champion Tolly Thompson of Nebraska, but the Golden Gopher grapplers were unable to win the team contest, falling to the Cornhuskers 20-17 at the Sports Pavilion on Tuesday night.

Thompson and Pierce came into Tuesday's dual ranked first and second, respectively, at heavyweight. As collegians, the two were 4-4 against each other with Thompson earning the last four victories over Pierce, including wins in the 1994 and 1995 NCAA Championships.

In the team competition, the meet was tied at 14 heading into the eighth (177) weight class. The Golden Gophers earned victories at 126, where freshman Pat Connors pinned Jose DeAnda of Nebraska in 2:24, 142 and 167. The Cornhuskers earned six team points at 177 and 190 combined, and Pierce's decision over Thompson was not enough to overcome the deficit in the team race.

The Golden Gophers return to action this weekend when they travel to Norfolk, Va., for the Virginia Duals. Minnesota is the three-time defending Virginia Duals champion.

No. 3 Nebraska 20, No. 5 Minnesota 17

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142- No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., tech. fall, Dusty Morris, Neb., 6:37

150- Jason Kraft, Neb., maj. dec. Chad Kraft, Minn., 11-2

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Senior forward David Grim

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Basketball at Ohio State
St. John Arena (13,276)
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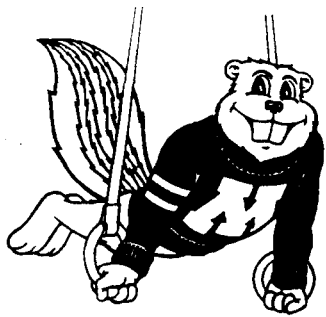
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2 p.m.

Tennis at Kansas
Lawrence, Kan.
9 a.m., 6 p.m.

Track & Field at Wisconsin Invitational
Madison, Wis.
9 a.m.

Wrestling vs. Northwestern and Illinois
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Gymnasts Head for the Windy City Invitational:

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Men's Gymnasts Lose to Alumni Team: The

University of Minnesota men's gymnastic team lost a dual meet with the alumni team Saturday. The alumni team, led by a number of former and current national team members defeated the Golden Gophers 221.20-215.80. This is the 25th straight win for the alumni team.

Minnesota was led in the all-around by junior **Frank Ticknor (Milwaukee, Wis.)** with a score of 53.45 points. Junior **Heath Wall (Sterling Heights, Mich.)** also posted an impressive score with 52.75 points.

Minnesota Scores — All-Around:

Frank Ticknor 53.45
 Heath Wall 52.75
 Andrew Weaver 50.05
 Robert Hubbard 51.95
 Clay Baimbridge 51.40
 Dan Boots 49.40
 George Beatty 35.25

First Big Ten Meet Jan. 27: Minnesota opens the Big Ten season Jan. 27 on the road in Columbus, Ohio against the Ohio State Buckeyes. Ohio State is considered by many to be the favorite for the Big Ten title and national championship. Minnesota upset the Buckeyes at last year's Big Ten Championship to win Coach Roethlisberger's 11th title.



SWIMMING & DIVING

Three Duals: The Golden Gophers will travel to Indianapolis, Ind., for a dual meet against Notre Dame, Southern Illinois and Purdue on Friday and Saturday. The duals will be held at the IUPUI Natatorium with Purdue acting as the host school. Competition is set to begin at 6 p.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday. Minnesota enters this weekend's competition with an overall dual meet record of 7-1 and a 3-1 Big Ten mark.

Last Week: The Minnesota men's swimming and diving squad won a pair of dual victories at the Robinson Natatorium in Lawrence, Kan. The Golden Gophers downed 21st-ranked Kansas 139-104 and 20th-ranked Nebraska 145-98. Senior **Bernie Zeruhn (Hamburg, Germany)** led the Maroon and Gold with wins in the 200 freestyle and 200 butterfly. Other first-place finishers included sophomore **Manolis Lentaris (Hania, Crete, Greece)** in the 200 IM, senior **P.J. Bogart (Mesa, Ariz.)** in one-meter diving and the 400 medley relay squad of Zeruhn, **Mitch Henke (Jr., Mandan, N.D.)**, **Derek Williams (Sr., Lansdale, Pa.)** and **Matt Schlessman (Jr., Avon, Ohio)**.

Up Next: The Golden Gophers will host Big Ten foe Iowa at the Aquatic Center on Sat., Jan. 27. The dual is set to begin at 1:30 p.m.

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TENNIS

Golden Gophers Drop Two Matches At

Washington Invite: In two matches that mirrored one another, the Golden Gopher men's tennis team dropped a pair of 4-3 decisions last weekend at the Great Northwest Shootout men's tennis tournament at Washington's Nordstrom Tennis Center in Seattle, Wash. Minnesota, who is currently ranked 23rd in the nation and was seeded second in the six-team invite, lost Sunday to the Washington and then on Monday to Boise State.

The Golden Gophers won the doubles point in each match, but dropped four of six singles clashes which proved to be the difference. The only Golden Gopher singles or doubles tandem to win both days was the **Martin Kristofferson (Fr., Portsgrunn, Norway)/Tom Chicoine (Neenah, Wis.)** team.

The Golden Gophers will return to action this weekend as they travel to Lawrence, Kan., for a pair of dual meets Saturday against Fresno State University (9 a.m.) and host Kansas University (6 p.m.).

Sunday's Result

WASHINGTON 4, MINNESOTA 3

Singles:

Ornell Arlati (UW) def. Lars Hjarrand (MN) 6-2, 6-3
Ben Gabler (MN) def. Steffano Rampazzo (UW) 6-4, 6-0
Eric Drew (UW) def. Erik Donley (MN) 2-6, 6-4, 6-2
Nick Williams (UW) def. Tom Chicoine (MN) 6-0, 3-6, 7-6
Adam Selkirk (MN) def. Scott Moore (UW) 6-4, 7-6
Sasha Rampazzo (UW) def. John Cheregi (MN) 6-1, 7-6

Doubles:

Donley/Hjarrand (MN) def. Arlati/Williams (UW) 9-8
Drew/Moore (UW) def. Cheregi/Gabler (MN) 8-1
Kristofferson/Chicoine (MN) def. Sa. Rampazzo/St. Rampazzo (UW) 8-5

Monday's Result

BOISE STATE 4, MINNESOTA 3

Singles:

Lars Hjarrand (MN) def. Albin Polonyi (BSU) 6-4, 6-2
Ernesto Diaz (BSU) def. Ben Gabler (MN) 7-6, 6-1
Rikard Strom (BSU) def. Erik Donley (MN) 6-2, 6-4
Tom Chicoine (MN) def. David Dalgaard (BSU) 6-4, 4-6, 6-2
Ben Davidson (BSU) def. Adam Selkirk (MN) 6-2, 6-2
Jason Anderson (BSU) def. John Cheregi (MN) 7-6, 6-7, 6-3

Doubles:

Diaz/Polonyi (BSU) def. Donley/Hjarrand (MN) 8-3
Cheregi/Gabler (MN) def. Strom/Thompson (BSU) 8-5
Kristofferson/Chicoine (MN) def. Adams/Vozeh (BSU) 8-5



TRACK & FIELD

Golden Gophers Take Five Event Titles at

Northwest Open: Four Minnesota men and one Gopher relay team took event titles at the Northwest Open indoor track meet on Saturday at the U of M Field House. This was an unscored meet, and was the first meet of the season for the team.

Juniors **Tim VanVoorhis (Apple Valley, Minn.)** and **Scott Beadle (Moohead, Minn.)** took home event titles in the 55m dash (6.41) and 600m dash, (1:20.21) respectively, while senior captain **Paul Michalek (Bloomington, Minn.)** earned the title in the Mile run. His time of 4:10.31 provided a margin of victory of more than eight seconds over teammate **Kevin Dunbar (Brockville, Ontario, Canada)**. Sophomore **Niles Deneen (St. Paul, Minn.)** took first in the 55m Hurdles with a time of 7.63, while teammate **Aaron Wheatcraft (Aple Valley, Minn.)** finished runner-up in 7.79. The Gopher men's 4x400m relay team, anchored by Michalek, was also victorious in a time of 3:24.78.

Sophomore **Tyler McCormick (White Bear Lake, Minn.)** earned the high jump title with a leap of 6-11, while **Wil Kurth (Rochester, Minn.)** posted a mark 6-9 1/2 to tie for second place.

Rantanen Posts Provisional Mark in First

Collegiate Competition: In his first performance as a Golden Gopher, freshman **Vesa Rantanen (Virrat, Finland)** posted a NCAA provisional qualifying mark of 17-4 1/2 while finishing second in the pole vault at the Northwest Open. Rantanen's performance was second to former Golden Gopher and 1993 NCAA Indoor pole vault champion **Martin Erickson's** mark of 18-2 1/2, which set new Field House and meet records for that event.

Up Next: The Golden Gopher track and field team will travel to Madison, Wis., this weekend to participate in the Wisconsin Invitational. The meet is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.



WRESTLING

Wrestlers Earn Fourth Consecutive Virginia

Duals Title: The University of Minnesota wrestling team earned its fourth consecutive Virginia Duals title Saturday night with a 21-16 defeat of Illinois. Minnesota posted victories over Lock Haven (21-6, Semifinals), Wyoming (34-9, Quarterfinals) and Lehigh (37-7, First Round) to advance through the tournament. Minnesota's team dual meet record is currently 8-1-1.

Kraft Defeats Three Ranked Opponents: Golden Gopher freshman **Chad Kraft** (Lakefield, Minn.) won all four of his matches at the Virginia Duals. Kraft defeated three athletes ranked in the top-10 at 150. Kraft started the weekend with a pin of Lehigh's Matt Vigderchik, the only unranked opponent he faced at the tournament. Against Wyoming, Kraft defeated No. 9 Brent Voorhees 2-1. Lock Haven's third-ranked Mike Rodgers was Kraft's next victim, as the Gopher freshman posted a 3-2 win. Kraft finished off the tournament with a 4-3 overtime win over No. 8 Eric Sibert of Illinois.

Pierce Injures Knee: Senior heavyweight **Billy Pierce** (Minneapolis, Minn.) pinned both of his opponents on Friday, sticking Travis Jackson of Lehigh in 28 seconds and Nathan Hoenir of Wyoming in 2:47. In Saturday's competition, Pierce won by forfeit against Lock Haven before suffering an injury to his right knee during his match against Illinois junior Seth Brady in the finals. Pierce is scheduled to see a team doctor on Tuesday evening.

Up Next: The Gophers will return to action next weekend, when they travel to Evanston, Ill., on Sat., Jan. 20 for Big Ten dual meets against Northwestern and Illinois.

No. 7 Minnesota 37, No. 23 Lehigh 7

First Round, Virginia Duals, Norfolk, Va.

118- Bart Golyer, Minn., pinned Mike Sferez, Lehigh, 5:47
126- No. 10 Jason Kutz, Lehigh, def. Pat Connors, Minn., 9-7
134- Nick Antila, Minn., def. Mark Lombardy, Lehigh, 15-5
142- Chris Ayers, Lehigh def. Troy Marr, Minn., 11-1
150- Chad Kraft, Minn., pinned Matt Vigderchik, Lehigh, 5:32
158- Josh Holiday, Minn., def. Brian Strunck, Lehigh, 5-1
167- Gerald Carr, Minn., pinned Cory Brechill, Lehigh, 2:42
177- Tim Hartung, Minn., def. John Van Dores, Lehigh, 5-2
190- Jeremy Goeden, Minn., def. John Leonardis, Lehigh, 5-4
HWT- Billy Pierce, Minn., pinned Travis Jackson, Lehigh, 0:28

No. 7 Minnesota 34, No. 15 Wyoming 9

Quarterfinals, Virginia Duals, Norfolk, Va.

118- Bart Golyer, Minn., maj. dec. Cory Hamrick, Wyo., 16-6
126- No. 7 Tom Hickenlooper, Wyo, dec. Pat Connors, Minn., 10-5
134- Nick Antila, Minn., maj. dec. Mark Soriano, Wyo., 16-4
142- No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., pinned Allen Watkins, Wyo., 1:46
150- Chad Kraft, Minn., def. No. 9 Brent Voorhees, Wyo., 2-1
158- Josh Holiday, Minn., maj. dec. No. 7 Brandon Alderman, Wyo., 18-6
167- No. 8 Gerald Carr, Minn., dec. No. 9 Brad Alderman, Wyo., inj. def.
177- No. 2 Reese Andy, Wyo., dec. Tim Hartung, Minn., 4-1
190- Rex Harr, Wyo., dec. Jeremy Goeden, Minn., 6-4
HWT- Billy Pierce, Minn., pinned Nathan Hoenir, Wyo., 2:47

No. 7 Minnesota 21, No. 14 Lock Haven 6

Semifinals, Virginia Duals, Norfolk, Va.

118- Bart Golyer, Minn., dec. Mike Kusick, LH, 10-4
126- Pat Connors, Minn., dec. Terry Showalter, LH, 3-1
134- No. 1 Cary Kolat, LH, pinned Nick Antila, Minn., 1:20
142- No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., dec. Brian Lietzel, LH, 10-9
150- Chad Kraft, Minn., dec. No. 3 Mike Rogers, LH, 3-2
158- Josh Holiday, Minn., dec. Neil Barnes, LH, 9-4
167- No. 8 Gerald Carr, Minn., dec. Ben Keebler, LH, 13-7
177- Tim Hartung, Minn., dec. David Murray, LH, 9-3
190- Jeremy Goeden, Minn., dec. Tom Hoffman, LH, 2-1
HWT- No. 2 Billy Pierce, Minn., win by forfeit

No. 7 Minnesota 21, No. 11 Illinois 16

Finals, Virginia Duals, Norfolk, Va.

118- Lindsey Durlacher, Ill., def. Bart Golyer, Minn., 2-1
126- Pat Connors, Minn., dec. Rob Anderson, Ill., 9-3
134- Nick Antila, Minn., pinned Jason Pero, Ill., 6:33
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

Head Basketball Coach Clem Haskins' weekly news conference

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

Head Hockey Coach Doug Woog

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

Head Wrestling Coach J Robinson

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

Head Track and Field Coach Phil Lundin

SAT.-SUN., JAN. 27-28

Head Basketball Coach Clem Haskins with postgame comments following Saturday's game vs. Michigan State

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

Basketball at Wisconsin
UW Field House
Madison, Wis.
7 p.m., WCCO-AM (850), MSC

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

Tennis at Notre Dame
Eck Pavilion
South Bend, Ind.
3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

Hockey vs. Northern Michigan
Mariucci Arena
7:05 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Tennis

at Big Ten Indoor Championships
MSU Indoor Tennis Facility
East Lansing, Mich.
All Day

Wrestling

vs. Iowa (Showcase)
Sports Pavilion
6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

Basketball vs. Michigan State
Williams Arena
3:15 p.m., WCCO-AM (830),
WCCO-TV (Creative Sports)

Gymnastics

at Ohio State
Larkins Hall
Columbus, Ohio
6:30 p.m.

Hockey

vs. Northern Michigan
Mariucci Arena
7:05 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Swimming & Diving

vs. Iowa
Aquatic Center
1:30 p.m.

Tennis

at Big Ten Indoor Championships

Track & Field

Minnesota Invitational
U of M Field House
9 a.m.

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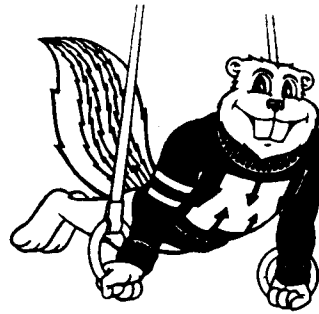
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- 5-9 p.m. Twins' Clubhouse tours



GYMNASTICS

Minnesota Travels to Columbus This Weekend: The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team travels to Columbus, Ohio to take on the second-ranked Buckeyes in the Golden Gophers first Big Ten meet of the season. Ohio State won the Windy City Invitational last weekend and are favorites to win the Big Ten title.

Gymnasts Take Sixth at Windy City Invite: The Golden Gophers finished sixth in the twelve-team Windy City Invitational late Saturday night. Minnesota scored 213.450 points, ten points behind champion Ohio State.

In the individual portion of the event, junior **Chris Harrington (Brookfield, Wis.)** finished third in the vault (9.400) and fourth in the floor exercise (9.425). Junior **Frank Ticknor (Milwaukee, Wis.)** was the top Golden Gopher finisher in the all-around with 52.700 points, good for 18th. Ticknor also finished sixth on the floor with a 9.400.

Final Team Results:

- Ohio State — 223.550
- Iowa — 219.875
- Ill.-Chicago — 216.350
- Penn State — 215.100
- Illinois — 214.650
- Minnesota — 213.450**
- Michigan State — 212.700
- Group B — 205.950
- Western Michigan — 205.800
- Group A — 203.050
- Michigan — 197.550
- Group C — 187.750

All-Around Standings:

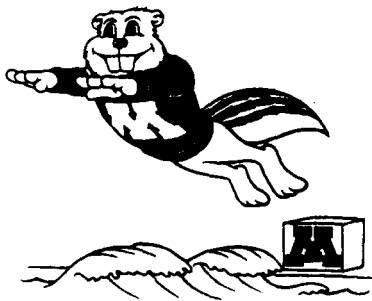
- 1. Drew Durbin, OSU 55.750
- 2. Mike Morgan, OSU 55.250
- 3. Aaron Cotter, Iowa 55.000
- 4. Tim Elsner, OSU 54.800
- 5. Yuval Ayalon, Illinois 54.500
- 18. Frank Ticknor, Minnesota 52.700**
- 21. Andrew Weaver, Minnesota 52.450**
- 30. Heath Wall, Minnesota 50.850**
- 44. George Beatty, Minnesota 46.900**

Vault Results:

- 1. Keith Douglas, Michigan State 9.500
- 2. Tim Elsner, Ohio State 9.425
- 3. Chris Harrington, Minnesota 9.400**
- 4. Steve McSparren, Penn State 9.325
- 5. Mike Morgan, Ohio State 9.300

Floor Results:

- 1. Steve McSparren, Michigan State 9.700
- 2. Shannon Welker, UIC 9.637
- 3. Drew Durbin, Ohio State 9.475
- 4. Chris Harrington, Minnesota 9.425**
- 4. Tim Elsner, Ohio State 9.425
- 6. Frank Ticknor, Minnesota 9.400**



SWIMMING & DIVING

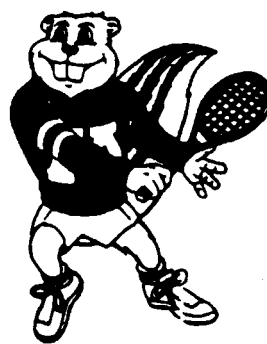
This Week: The Golden Gopher men's swimming and diving team will host 16th-ranked Iowa at the Aquatic Center with action set to begin at 1:30 p.m. Minnesota enters this week-end's competition with an overall dual meet record of 10-1 with a 4-1 Big Ten mark. The Hawkeyes handed Minnesota its only dual defeat of the year last season in Iowa by a count of 145-138.

Last Week: The Minnesota men's swimming and diving squad won three dual victories at the IUPUI Natatorium in Indianapolis, Ind. The Golden Gophers downed Purdue 256-112, So. Illinois 296-70 and Notre Dame 304-67. The Maroon and Gold claimed the top spot in 16 of 20 events during the two-day competition and were led by senior **Bernie Zeruhn (Hamburg, Germany)** who had a hand in five first-place finishes (1000 free, 200 fly, 800 free relay, 500 free, 400 free relay). Sophomore **Manolis Lentaris (Hania, Creete, Greece)** also claimed victories in the 200 free, 200 IM and 400 free relay. **Duane Dobko (Sr., Ajax, Ont., Canada)** won the 100 and 200 back and 200 medley relay, **Matt Schlessman (Jr., Avon, Ohio)** won the 50 and 100 free and the 400 and 800 free relay. Senior **P.J. Bogart (Mesa, Ariz.)** also earned the top spot in both the three- and one-meter diving events.

Making a Splash: Several Golden Gophers have contributed to this season's success including P.J. Bogart. The senior has come back from an early-season injury and has won five of six diving events since his return. Bernie Zeruhn has also swam back into shape as the senior has won every event (10) he's been entered in since the Christmas training trip.

New Poll: The Golden Gophers remain in the 10th spot in the latest Speedo America Coaches Association top 25 poll. Minnesota has held that spot since the pre-season poll at the beginning of the season. The entire poll follows:
1. Michigan, 346; 2. Auburn, 327; 3. Stanford, 314; T3. Texas, 314; 5. Tennessee, 290; 6. USC, 269; 7. California, 264; 8. SMU, 259; 9. Arizona, 234; 10. Minnesota, 231; 11. Georgia, 210; 12. Arizona St., 168; 13. Florida, 149; 14. Miami, 132; 15. No. Carolina, 131; 16. Iowa, 116; 17. Alabama, 94; 18. Nebraska, 80; 18T. Ohio State, 80; 20. Texas A&M, 76; 20T. Kansas, 76; 22. Harvard, 70; 23. Indiana, 68; 24. LSU, 67; 25. Princeton, 41.

Up Next: The Golden Gophers will host the All-Comers Open at the Aquatic Center on Friday, Feb., 2 beginning at 6 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 3, at noon.



TENNIS

Golden Gophers Travel To Notre Dame, Big Ten Indoor Singles: The Golden Gophers will be back in action Thursday as they travel to South Bend, Ind., for a dual match against Notre Dame at 3:30 p.m., then on to East Lansing, Mich., this weekend for the Big Ten Indoor Singles Championships.

Golden Gophers Fall To Fresno State and Kansas: Twenty-second ranked Kansas University won the decisive doubles point late Saturday evening on their way to a 4-3 victory over the University of Minnesota in a dual match at Alvarac Racquet Club in Lawrence, Kan. The narrow defeat is the fourth consecutive 4-3 loss for the Golden Gophers on the young dual match season.

The twenty-third ranked Golden Gophers, who were downed earlier Saturday by No. 13 Fresno State University, earned singles points from junior **Ben Gabler (Chambersburg, Pa.)**, senior **Erik Donley (Duluth, Minn.)**, and freshman **Tom Chicoine (Neenah, Wis.)**. Donley and Chicoine won both of their respective singles matches on the day. For the second consecutive match, the Golden Gophers were swept 3-0 for the doubles point.

In the featured singles match, Jayhawk Enrique Abaroa, ranked #13 in the nation, downed Golden Gopher junior **Lars Hjarrand (Oslo, Norway)**, ranked #32 in the nation, 6-4, 6-1. Earlier in the day, Fredrik Giers from Fresno State, the number three singles player in the country according to the latest Rolex/ITA rankings, was taken to three sets by Gabler before prevailing 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

#13 FRESNO STATE 4, #23 MINNESOTA 3

Singles:

1. Frederick Beugh (FSU) def. Lars Hjarrand (Minn.) 6-3, 7-6
2. Frederick Giers (FSU) def. Ben Gabler (Minn.) 4-6, 6-3, 6-4
3. Erik Donley (Minn.) def. Bryan Juinio (FSU) 7-6, 6-4
4. Thomas Chicoine (Minn.) def. Blago Petrov (FSU) 7-6, 6-2
5. Adam Selkirk (Minn.) def. Jake Bragonier (FSU) 6-4, 7-6
6. Ryan Juinio (FSU) def. John Cheregi (Minn.) 6-1, 6-4

Doubles:

1. Giers/R. Juinio (FSU) def. Hjarrand/Donley (Minn.) 8-6
2. Beugh/P.J. Dormire (FSU) def. Gabler/Cheregi (Minn.) 8-2
3. Cullett/B. Juinio (FSU) def. Chicoine/Robin Rutilli (Minn.) 8-2

#22 KANSAS 4, #23 MINNESOTA 3

Singles:

- Enrique Abaroa (KU) def. Lars Hjarrand (MN) 6-4, 6-1
 Ben Gabler (MN) def. Victor Fimbres (KU) 6-2, 2-6, 6-3
 Erik Donley (MN) def. Trent Tucker (KU) 3-6, 7-5, 6-4
 Tom Chicoine (MN) def. Luis Uribe (KU) 6-3, 6-4
 Michael Isroff (KU) def. Adam Selkirk (MN) 6-1, 6-4
 Fernando Sierra (KU) def. Robin Rutilli (MN) 4-6, 7-5, 6-4

Doubles:

- Isroff/Abaroa (KU) def. Donley/Hjarrand (MN) 9-8
 Avila/Fimbres (KU) def. Cheregi/Gabler (MN) 8-4
 Sierra/Uribe (KU) def. Rutilli/Chicoine (MN) 8-3



TRACK & FIELD

Minnesota Invitational This Weekend: The Golden Gopher track and field team will return to action next Saturday, when the team plays host to the Minnesota Invitational in the U of M Field House. This will be the first scored meet of the indoor season for the Golden Gopher men, and will include teams from Northern Iowa, Drake and Wisconsin. The meet is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. with the men's pentathlon.

McCormick Takes Second High Jump Title of Season: Minnesota sophomore Tyler McCormick (White Bear Lake, Minn.) earned his second event title of the indoor track season on Saturday at the Badger Track Classic in Madison, Wis. McCormick's leap of 7-3 makes him the second Golden Gopher to post a NCAA provisional qualifying mark this season. The Badger Track Classic was an unscored meet.

Rantanen Posts NCAA Provisional Mark: Golden Gopher freshman Vesa Rantanen (Virrat, Finland) finished second in the pole vault for the second straight week, clearing 17-1 1/2 only to finish second behind a facility-record 18-0 1/2 vault by former Golden Gopher Martin Ericksson. Rantanen's 17-1 1/2 vault is a qualifying mark, but does not improve on the 17-4 1/2 mark set last weekend at the Northwest Open.

Schedule of Events; Minnesota Invitational:

9 a.m.	60m Hurdles (M) Pentathlon*
10 a.m.	Weight Throw (M,W)
11:30 a.m.	Long Jump, Triple Jump (follows long jump), Pole Vault, High Jump, Shot Put
Noon	One Mile Run
12:10 p.m.	55m High Hurdles (M)
12:20 p.m.	55m Hurdles (W)
12:40 p.m.	400m Dash
12:55 p.m.	600m Dash
1 p.m.	High Jump (W) Pentathlon
1:05 p.m.	55m Dash
1:20 p.m.	800m Run
1:30 p.m.	200m Dash
1:45 p.m.	3,000m Run
2:05 p.m.	4x400m Relay
2:15 p.m.	4x800m Relay
2:30 p.m.	Shot Put (W) Pentathlon
3:30 p.m.	Long Jump (W) Pentathlon
4:30 p.m.	800m Run, Pentathlon

* Events for the men's Pentathlon will be run in the following order: 60m Hurdles, Long Jump, Shot Put, High Jump, 1,000m Run. Each event will begin 30 minutes after the conclusion of the prior event.



WRESTLING

Hawkeyes Next Opponent: The Golden Gophers will play host to the Iowa Hawkeyes on Friday night at the Sports pavilion. The dual meet is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. The Hawkeyes feature seven athletes ranked in the top-10 by *Amateur Wrestling News*, including three athletes, Mike Mena (118), Jeff McGinnis (126) and Bill Zadick (142), who are ranked No. 1 in their weight class.

Gophers Defeat Illinois, Lose to Northwestern: The Golden Gopher wrestling team dropped their Big Ten opener to No. 20 Northwestern 25-9, but rebounded to defeat No. 11 Illinois 19-18 in Evanston, Ill., on Saturday evening. Illinois defeated Northwestern 19-14 in the third dual of the triangular meet. Minnesota is currently 9-2-1 (1-1 Big Ten) on the season, while Northwestern stands at 4-3 (2-3) and Illinois is 6-2 (2-1).

Dauids, Carr Continue to Lead Team: Sophomore Jason Dauids (21-1, Forest Lake, Minn.) and junior Gerald Carr (19-2, Dublin, Ga.) led the Golden Gophers as each posted a pair of wins on the evening. Dauids and Carr are the only Golden Gophers that remain undefeated in dual meets this season. Freshman Chad Kraft (18-4, Lakefield, Minn.) repeated his 4-3 overtime win over eighth-ranked Eric Siebert of Illinois, as the pair grappled to an identical result one week ago in the final of the Virginia Duals.

No. 20 Northwestern 25, No. 7 Minnesota 9

- 118- Bart Golyer, Minn., def. Dominic Caruso, NU, 10-4
- 126- Scott Schatzman, NU, maj. dec. Pat Connors, Minn., 14-2
- 134- Tony Pariano, NU, pinned Nick Antila, Minn., 4:45
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- 150- Brent Shiver, NU, dec. Chad Kraft, Minn., 7-3
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CHEERLEADERS AND DANCE TEAM PLACE AT NATIONAL COMPETITION

The University of Minnesota dance team and cheerleaders placed fifth and ninth respectively at the College Cheerleading and Dance team Championships in Orlando, Fla., during the week of January 3-5, 1996. Goldy Gopher also placed ninth in the mascot portion of the competition. Minnesota is the only Big Ten school to have all three parts of its spirit groups place in the top ten.

"Our cheerleaders did the best they have ever done, and our dance team ranked the highest of the Big Ten teams" said Beth Knutson head Spirit Squad coach. "When we go down there (Orlando) the teams we compete against get full ride scholarships and we don't, and they are older on the average than us, so we are very excited about our finish."

The College Cheerleading and Dance Team Championships will air March 14th at 9:00 PM on ESPN, and is also guaranteed to run six more times on ESPN and ESPN2.

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MINNESOTA MEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING DUAL AGAINST IOWA POSTPONED

The men's swimming and diving dual scheduled for Saturday, February 27, at 1:30 p.m. against the University of Iowa has been postponed due to poor travel conditions in Iowa. The dual will be rescheduled. A date and time has not been set.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

Head Basketball Coach Clem Haskins' weekly news conference

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

Head Hockey Coach Doug Woog

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Head Wrestling Coach J Robinson

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Head Baseball Coach John Anderson

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THIS WEEK...

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

Basketball vs. Northwestern
Williams Arena
7 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Hockey at North Dakota
Ralph Engelstad Arena
Grand Forks, N.D.
7:35 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Swimming & Diving All Comers Open
Aquatic Center, 6 p.m.

Track & Field at Mercantile Bank Invitational
Unidome
Cedar Falls, Iowa, 4:30 p.m.

Wrestling vs. Oklahoma State
Williams Arena, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Baseball vs. Pro-Alumni
Metrodome, WCCO-AM (830)
7 p.m.

Golf at Oral Roberts
Tulsa, Okla.
All Day

Hockey at North Dakota
7:35 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Swimming & Diving All Comers Open
Aquatic Center
Noon/6 p.m.

Tennis at Stanford
Stanford Tennis Stadium
Stanford, Calif., 2 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Tennis at California
Hellman Tennis Center
Berkeley, Calif., 1 p.m.

Wrestling at Wisconsin
Wisconsin Field House
Madison, Wis., 2:30 p.m.



BASEBALL

Fifth Annual Pro-Alumni Game at the Metrodome Saturday:

The Fifth Annual Coca-Cola Pro-Alumni game will be held Sat., Feb. 3, at the Metrodome at 7 p.m. Many former Golden Gopher and current major league stars will test this year's version of the Maroon and Gold including the newest member of the Minnesota Twins, Paul Molitor. Molitor will be joined by Dan Wilson of the Seattle Mariners, Brian Raabe of the Twins, Brent Gates and Terry Steinbach of the Oakland Athletics, as well as several others.

There are many events planned around the game, including a baseball clinic, a silent auction and Twins clubhouse tours. The first 5,000 fans attending the game will receive a 1996 Minnesota Baseball schedule magnet. Drawings for autographed baseballs will be held throughout the game.

Long-time WCCO and Golden Gopher radio play-by-play announcer Ray Christensen is set to call his first University of Minnesota baseball game. He will be joined in the booth by Twins' color analyst John Gordon.

Tickets for the game are \$6 at the door or see Coca-Cola displays at all metro Holiday Station Stores for a two-for-one ticket offer. TwinsFest '96 ticket holders also receive passes to the clinic and game. All proceeds benefit the Dick Siebert Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Pro-Alumni Game Activities:

- 4 p.m. Gates Open
- 3-4 p.m. Golden Gopher batting practice
- 4-5 p.m. Pro-Alumni batting practice
- 5-6 p.m. Baseball Clinic (Open to kids and coaches of any age)
- 6:20-6:40. Infield/Outfield
- 6:50 p.m. Team introductions
- 7:05 p.m. First pitch

Other Activities:

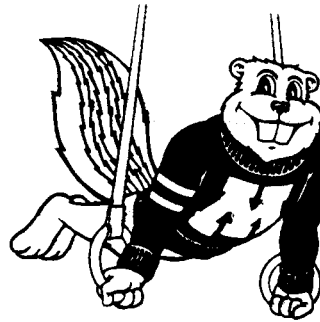
- 5-8 p.m. Silent Auction in concourse (sports memorabilia, bats, hats, balls, etc.)
- 5-9 p.m. Twins' Clubhouse tours



GOLF

Golf Team Resumes Play At Oral Roberts: The men's golf team will resume play this weekend with a one round match vs. Oral Roberts in Tulsa, Okla. Following that match, the Maroon and Gold will travel to Rio Mar, Puerto Rico, Feb. 16-18 for the NCAA Challenge.

Barber Leads Fall Schedule: Senior All-America candidate Aaron Barber (New London, Minn.) led the men's team in stroke average for the fall with a 74.8 mark in 12 rounds. His highest finish was at the ReliaStart Collegiate Invitational where he finished with medalist honors, leading the team to third place finish. Freshman Matt Doyle (Simsbury, Ct.) was second on the team with a 75.1 mark and a top finish at the Wolverine Invitational, where he tied for first place.



GYMNASTICS

Next Meet Feb. 10: The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team will resume their schedule on Feb. 10, when the team plays host to the Iowa Hawkeyes in the Sports Pavilion.

No. 2 Ohio State Upends No. 9 Gophers: Minnesota lost a dual meet with Ohio State Saturday in Columbus, Ohio. Ohio State scored 224.75 points defeating the Golden Gophers who finished with 219.75. Andrew Weaver (Sr., Albuquerque, N.M.) recorded the highest score on the high bar with a 9.65.

All-Around Standings: 1. Drew Durbin, OSU 57.0; 2. Tim Elsner, OSU 55.3; **Floor Ex:** 1. Elsner/Durbin, OSU 9.7; **Pommel:** 1. Durbin, OSU 9.85; **Rings:** 1. David Erkert, OSU 9.75; **Vault** 1. Neil Niemi, OSU 9.45 **Parallel Bars:** 1. Eckert/Durbin, OSU 9.45 **High Bar:** 1. Andrew Weaver, Minn 9.65



SWIMMING & DIVING

This Week: The Golden Gophers will host the All-Comers Open at the Aquatic Center on Friday, Feb., 2 beginning at 6 p.m. and Sat., Feb. 3, at noon. Club teams from around the area as well as individual registered members of United States Swimming will be competing.

S(no)w Dual: The dual against Iowa scheduled for Sat., Feb. 27, at 1:30 p.m. was postponed due to poor travel conditions in Iowa. The dual will be rescheduled. A date and time has not been set.

Up Next: The Golden Gopher men's swimming and diving team will not compete again until the Big Ten Championships February 15-17 at Ann Arbor, Mich.

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	Nebraska		W 145-98
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TENNIS

No. 23 Golden Gophers Travel To The Golden State; Battle Top-Ranked Stanford and No. 14

California: The No. 23 Golden Gophers men's tennis team will be back in action this weekend as they travel to the West Coast for dual meets against top-ranked Stanford on Saturday at Noon (PST), then on to Berkeley, Calif., for a match against No. 14 California on Sunday at 11 a.m. (PST).

Gabler Reaches Big Ten Indoor Semifinals: Junior Ben Gabler (Chambersburg, Pa.) was defeated 6-3, 6-4 by David Paradzik of Michigan early Monday morning in the semifinals of the Big Ten Indoor Championships at the MSU Indoor Tennis Facility at East Lansing, Mich. Gabler had reached the final four of the tournament with straight set win over Alberto Brause of Michigan State (6-2, 7-5) and a three-set win over Alex Witt (6-4, 3-6, 6-3) of Northwestern on Sunday.

Freshman Adam Selkirk (St. Joseph, Md.) advanced to the quarterfinals Sunday before being ousted by Arvid Swan of Michigan in straight sets (6-3, 6-3).

Golden Gophers Fall To No. 16 Notre Dame:

Sixteenth-ranked Notre Dame won four of six singles matches last Thursday afternoon on its way to a 5-2 victory over Minnesota in a dual match at Eck Pavilion in South Bend, Ind. The defeat was the fifth consecutive against a ranked opponent for the Golden Gophers, and kept Minnesota winless (0-5) on the young dual match season.

The Golden Gophers earned singles points from freshmen Tom Chicoine (Neenah, Wis.) and Martin Kristoffersen (Portsgrunn, Norway). The win at number four singles for Chicoine was his third consecutive, and lifted his record on the season to 12-7. For the third consecutive match, the Golden Gophers were swept 3-0 for the doubles point.

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Singles:

Mike Sprouse (ND) def. Lars Hjarrand (MN) 6-3, 2-6, 6-4
 Jakub Pietrowski (ND) def. Ben Gabler (MN) 6-3, 6-4
 Ryan Simme (ND) def. Erik Donley (MN) 7-6, 6-4
 Tom Chicoine (MN) def. Brian Patterson (ND) 6-4, 6-2
 John J. O'Brien (ND) def. Adam Selkirk (MN) 6-3, 6-1
 Martin Kristoffersen (MN) def. Jason Pun (ND) 7-6, 6-2

Doubles:

Sprouse/Pun (ND) def. Donley/Gabler (MN) 9-7
 Pietrowski/Rothchild (ND) def. Chicoine/Kristoffersen (MN) 8-3
 Simme/O'Brien (ND) def. Hjarrand/Rutili (MN) 8-6



TRACK & FIELD

Up Next: The University of Minnesota men's Track and Field team will travel to Cedar Falls, Iowa, this weekend to compete in the Mercantile Bank Invitational.

Gophers Win Three Events at Minnesota Invitational: The Golden Gopher men's track and field squad earned the top spot in three events Saturday at the Minnesota Invitational at the University of Minnesota Fieldhouse in a non-scored meet at the U of M Fieldhouse.

Minnesota finished one-two in the 600-meter dash as junior **Scott Beadle (Moorhead, Minn.)** edged teammate **Travis Nordrum (Bloomer, Wis.)** crossing the line at 1:20.51 ahead of Nordrum's 1:20.60. Junior **Kevin Dunbar (Brockville, Ont., Canada)** captured the 800-meter run clocking in at 1:52.33 and freshman **Marcus Westberry (Minneapolis, Minn.)** won the triple jump with a leap of 50-4 1/2.

Golden Gopher freshman **Glenn Lindqvist (Aland, Finland)** set a Minnesota team record with 3,514 points in the pentathlon. He outdistanced the pack in the 1000-meter run with an event-best 2:50.07, placed second in 60 meter high hurdles and third in the shot put.

MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL • University of Minnesota Fieldhouse • January 27, 1996

MEN'S RESULTS

55 Meter Dash: 1., Reggie Torian, Wisconsin, 6.43; 2., Tim Van Voorhis, Minn., 6.46; 5., Lee Hutton, Minn., 6.58; 6., Eric Stommes, Minn., 6.59; 7., Mari Moore, Minn., 6.67; 9., Rodney Heath, Minn., 6.73; 10., Raphael Cooper, Minn., 6.76; **200 Meter Dash:** 1., Tony Simmons, Wisconsin, 21.79; 3., Eric Stommes, Minn., 22.24; 6., Mari Moore, Minn., 22.98; 8., Raphael Cooper, Minn., 23.53; **400 Meter Dash:** 1., Bryan Jones, Unat., 48.92; **600 Meter Dash:** 1., Scott Beadle, Minn., 1:20.51; 2., Travis Nordrum, Minn., 1:20.60; **800 Meter Run:** 1., Kevin Dunbar, Minn., 1:52.33; **Mile Run:** 1., Todd Agger, Wis., 4:14.16; 2., Paul Michalek, Minn., 4:14.67; 8., Brendan O'Brien, Minn., 4:34.21; **3000M Run:** 1., Tony Escarcoga, Wis., 8:20.56; 9., Patrick Markey, Minn., 8:59.98; 11., Allen Broderius, Minn., 9:01.51; 13., Joshua Christman, Minn., 9:02.83; 15., Neal Janquart, Minn., 9:16.72; **55M High Hurdles:** 1., Reggie Torian, Wis., 7.30 (NCAA prov.); 2., Aaron Wheatcraft, Minn., 7.79; 3., Greg Nelson, Minn., 7.80; **4X400 Meter Relay:** 1., Wisconsin, 3:16.18; 2., Minnesota, 3:16.66; **4X800 Meter Relay:** 1., Wisconsin, 7:52.86; 2., Minnesota, 7:53.98; **Long Jump:** 1., Reggie Torian, Wis., 23-5 1/4 (7.14m); 3., Tyler McCormick, Minn., 21-9 1/2 (6.64m); 4., Adrian Ellis, Minn., 21-6 (6.55m); **Triple Jump:** 1., Marcus Westberry, Minn., 50-4 1/2 (15.35m); 4., Donald Mosely, Minn., 46-7 1/4 (14.20m); **Shot Put:** 1., Bobby Smith, Wis., 56-8 3/4 (17.29m); 2., Jeff Marsh, Minn., 52-0 1/2 (15.86m); **High Jump:** 1., Jeremy Fischer, Wis., 6-11 1/2 (2.12m); 2., Will Kurth, Minn., 6-11 1/2 (2.12m); **Pole Vault:** 1., Martin Eriksson, Unat., 17-10 1/2 (5.45m); 2., Vesa Rantanen, Minn., 17-0 3/4 (5.20m); 4., Seth Mischke, Minn., 15-7 (4.75m); **Weight Throw:** 1., Jon Mago, Unat., 51-1 1/2 (15.58m); **Pentathlon:** 1., Greg Gill, Wis., 3679 (Fieldhouse record); 6., Glenn Lindqvist, Minn., 3514, (Team record); 8., J.J. Beckstrand, Minn., 704



WRESTLING

Grapplers Host No. 2 Oklahoma State Friday: The University of Minnesota wrestling team plays host to the second-ranked Oklahoma State Cowboys on Friday night at Williams Arena. The Cowboys feature six ranked athletes, highlighted by second-ranked Mark Branch at 167. Branch upset top-ranked Markus Motlica of Arizona State 6-4 in a dual meet on Saturday night.

Hawkeyes Defeat Gophers: The Golden Gophers dropped a 27-12 decision to the Iowa Hawkeyes in front of a near-capacity crowd of 5,128 at the Sports Pavilion last Friday night, dropping Minnesota to 9-3-1 (1-2 Big Ten) on the season.

Senior All-American **Billy Pierce (21-2, Minneapolis, Minn.)** pinned Iowa's Eric Stroner in an impressive 48 seconds, wrestling for the first time as the top-ranked heavyweight in the nation. **Tim Hartung (177, 17-8, Durand, Wis.)** defeated his first ranked opponent of the season with a 7-2 decision of 11th-ranked Curt Heideman, while **Chad Kraft (150, 19-4, Lakefield, Minn.)** was the third Golden Gopher to post a victory on the evening.

No. 1 Iowa 27, No. 7 Minnesota 12

Sports Pavilion, Minneapolis, Minn., Attendance: 5,128

- 118- No. 1 Mike Mena, Iowa, maj. dec. Bart Golyer, Minn., 16-6
- 126- No. 2 Jeff McGinness, Iowa, maj. dec. Pat Connors, Minn., 14-5
- 134- No. 2 Mark Ironside, Iowa, pinned Nick Antila, Minn., 4:37
- 142- No. 2 Bill Zadick, Iowa, dec. No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., 4-3
- 150- No. 9 Chad Kraft, Minn., dec. Mike Uker, Iowa, 3-2
- 158- No. 1 Joe Williams, Iowa, dec. No. 12 Josh Holiday, Minn., 10-7
- 167- No. 5 Daryl Weber, Iowa, maj. dec. No. 8 Gerald Carr, Minn., 12-4
- 177- Tim Hartung, Minn., dec. No. 11 Curt Heideman, Iowa, 7-2
- 190- Lee Fullhart, Iowa, dec. Brent Boeshans, Minn., 10-4
- HWT- No. 1 Billy Pierce, Minn., pinned Erik Stroner, Iowa, 0:48

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SCHOEMANN NAMED COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR

The University of Minnesota announced today the hiring of Chris Schoemann as the compliance coordinator for men's and women's athletics.

Schoemann has served as a legislative assistant for the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) for the last four years where he was responsible for assisting the Association's membership and other interested parties and organizations in understanding NCAA legislation and interpretations. He was the staff liaison to the NCAA Committee on Financial Aid and Amateurism, and the Special NCAA Committee to Study Rules Federation by Sport. In addition, he served as the conference liaison to the Big Ten, Big Sky, Great Midwest, Northeast-10, California Collegiate and Southern Collegiate Conferences.

Prior to joining the NCAA staff, Schoemann served as the head men's golf coach at Whittier (Calif.) College in 1990-91. Prior to that, he was the assistant video coordinator for the National Basketball Association's Boston Celtics from 1988-90. He also worked as a public relations assistant with the Celtics.

A native of Philadelphia, Schoemann earned a bachelor's degree in physical education from Whittier College in 1987, where he was a member of the school's basketball, golf and baseball teams. He then earned a master's degree in physical education/sports management from Springfield (Mass.) College in 1988.

Schoemann and his wife, Kristine Jacobs-Schoemann, are expecting their first child in June.

"I couldn't be more excited about the opportunity to be associated with an outstanding academic institution like the University of Minnesota," Schoemann said. "The position will enable me to work with two fine athletics programs that compete in the Big Ten Conference, a league that has a reputation that speaks for itself around the country."

"Chris comes to the University of Minnesota with an outstanding background in so many areas," said Vice President for Student Development and Athletics Dr. McKinley Boston. "We are excited to have him join us and think he will make a wonderful addition to the staff."





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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Head Basketball Coach **Clem Haskins** with post-game comments following Tuesday night's game vs. Indiana (available approx. 10 p.m. CST)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Head Football Coach **Jim Wacker** (available approx. 5 p.m. CST)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Head Hockey Coach **Doug Woog**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Head Gymnastics Coach **Fred Rothleisberger**

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Tennis at Rolex Indoor Championships
Dallas, Texas
All Day

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Hockey vs. **Colorado College**
Mariucci Arena
7 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Tennis at Rolex Indoor Championships

Track & Field

at Iowa State
Ernst F. Lied Recreation Athletic Center
Ames, Iowa, 7 p.m.

Wrestling

at Iowa State
Hilton Coliseum
Ames, Iowa, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Basketball at Northwestern
Welsh-Ryan Arena
Evanston, Ill.
7 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

Golf

at Oral Roberts
White Hawk Golf Course (7,140 yds.)
Tulsa, Okla.
All Day

Gymnastics

vs. **Iowa**
Sports Pavilion, 1 p.m.

Hockey

vs. **Colorado College**
Mariucci Arena
8 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Tennis

at Iowa
Rec Building
Iowa City, Iowa, 12:30 p.m.
and at Rolex Indoor Championships

Track & Field

at Iowa State, All Day

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Tennis at Northwestern
Evanston, Ill., 1 p.m.
and at Rolex Indoor Championships



BASEBALL

Golden Gophers Start '96 Campaign in Florida:

The Golden Gophers will travel to Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 16-18 and take on the 10th-ranked Florida State Seminoles to start the 1996 season. The Maroon and Gold will play 8 non-conference games against ranked teams before the Big Ten season begins March 29.

KSGS-AM 950 To Broadcast Games In 1996:

KSGS-AM 950 radio to broadcast all Golden Gopher regular-season baseball games during the 1996 and 1997 seasons. Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder Ryan Lefebvre will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons.

1996 Pro-Alumni Team Downs Golden Gophers:

The 1996 Pro-Alumni team downed the Golden Gophers 5-2 Saturday, Feb. 3, at the Metrodome in front of 2,609 fans. Brent Gates of the Oakland Athletics went 2-for-3 with a walk as the Pro-Alumni had five extra-base hits in their nine hits.

The Pro-Alumni jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the top half of the first inning on doubles by Wes Denning, Terry Steinbach and Gates.

An RBI-single by J.T. Bruett in the second knocked in Charlie Nelson, who had the Pro-Alumni's fourth double of the game, to extend the lead to 3-0.

The Golden Gophers put two on the board in the bottom half of the second inning on junior Troy Stein's (Cold Spring, Minn.) two-RBI double. Junior Bryan Guse (New Brighton, Minn.) led off the inning with the game's fifth double and junior Phil McDermott (Roseville, Minn.) was hit by a pitch before Stein's hit.

In the top of the eighth inning Paul Molitor doubled and scored on a single by Mark Merila to give the Pro-Alumni a 4-2 lead. Gates walked and scored on a fielder's choice to round out the scoring.

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'96 Pro-Alumni	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	9	1
Minnesota	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	x		2	5	2

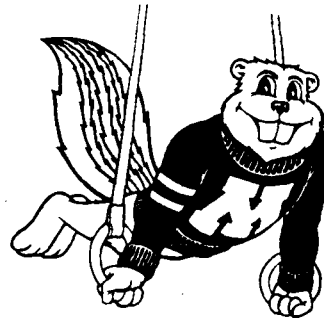
'96 PA-Kearin, Zrust (6), Bakkum (9) and Wilson, McIntosh (9). UM-Westfall, Felling (6), Hammerschmidt and Guse. WP-Kearin, LP-Westfall, HR-None, Att. - 2,609.



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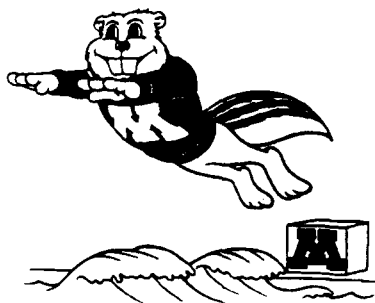
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GYMNASTICS

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REMINDER-Head Football Coach Jim Wacker will hold a news conference at 4:30 p.m. in the Football Lounge on Wednesday, February 7. The entire list of Golden Gopher signees and bio information will be released at that time.



SWIMMING & DIVING

This Week: The Golden Gophers will have this weekend off to prepare for the Big Ten Championships which will be held February 15-17 at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Last Week: The Maroon and Gold hosted the All-Comers Open at the Aquatic Center. **Derek Williams (Sr., Lansdale, Pa.)** and **Duane Dobko (Sr., Ajax, Ontario, Canada)** were double winners for the men, with Williams finishing first in the 100 and 200 butterfly and Dobko first in the 100 and 200 backstroke.

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TENNIS

Gophers Start Conference Schedule This

Weekend: The Minnesota tennis team travels to Iowa and Northwestern this weekend for the first two dual matches of the conference season. Junior **Lars Hjarrand (Oslo, Norway)** will also travel to the Rolex Indoor Championships as an individual, as he qualified for the tournament last November.

Stanford Downs Minnesota, California Match

Cancelled: Number-one ranked Stanford (4-0) won five of six singles matches Saturday afternoon on its way to a 6-1 victory over the Minnesota in a dual match at the Stanford's Tennis Stadium in Stanford, Calif. The win extended the Cardinal's winning streak to 31 matches. The defeat is the sixth consecutive against a ranked opponent for the Golden Gophers, and kept Minnesota winless (0-6) on the young dual match season.

The twenty-third ranked Golden Gophers' Lars Hjarrand earned a singles victory by defeating the Stanford's Jeff Salzenstein 3-6, 6-3, 7-5. Salzenstein was up 5-2 in the third set, but Hjarrand rebounded to win five straight games. For the fourth consecutive match, the Golden Gophers were swept 3-0 for the doubles point.

Sunday's scheduled dual match against California-Berkeley was cancelled due to rain in Southern California.

STANFORD 6, MINNESOTA 1

Singles:

Lars Hjarrand (MN) def. Jeff Salzenstein (S) 3-6, 6-3, 7-5

Ryan Wolters (S) def. Ben Gabler (MN) 2-6, 6-2, 6-1

Paul Goldstein (S) def. Tom Chicoine (MN) 7-5, 4-6, 6-2

Jim Thomas (S) def. John Cheregi (MN) 6-2, 6-3

Grant Elliott (S) def. Adam Selkirk (MN) 6-4, 6-4

Ricky Becker (S) def. Martin Kristoffersen (MN) 7-6, 3-6, 6-3

Doubles:

Salzenstein/Goldstein (S) def. Hjarrand/Cheregi (MN) 9-7

Wolters/Elliott (S) def. Chicoine/Kristoffersen (MN) 8-3

Becker/Thomas (S) def. Rutili/Selkirk (MN) 8-1



TRACK & FIELD

Up Next: The University of Minnesota men's Track and Field team will travel to Ames, Iowa, this weekend to compete in the Iowa State Invitational.

Gophers Win Three Events at Mercantile Bank Invitational: The Golden Gopher track team earned 82 points at the Mercantile Bank Invitational Friday night on the campus of Northern Iowa. Iowa State took the meet team title, scoring 129 points, followed by Wisconsin (127), Northern Iowa (100), Minnesota, Iowa (36) and Drake (21).

Minnesota athletes competed in 11 of the 16 scheduled events, earning three event titles. Junior **Scott Beadle (Moorhead, Minn.)** took the 400m dash title in a time of 48.40, which ranks third on Minnesota's all-time list. Sophomore **Wil Kurth (Rochester, Minn.)** leaped a personal-best 6-11 3/4 to claim the high jump title and move into sixth place on the team's all-time list. The third individual title was earned by senior **Paul Michalek (Bloomington, Minn.)**, who edged Northern Iowa's Joe Woody by .01 to earn the 800m title in 1:51.64.

Mercantile Bank Invitational, Feb. 2, 1996, UNI-Dome, Cedar Fall, Iowa

Men's Team Results: 1. Iowa State, 129; 2. Wisconsin, 127; 3. Northern Iowa, 100; 4. Minnesota, 82; 5. Iowa, 36, 6. Drake, 21
35LB. WEIGHT THROW: 1. Matt Casillas, UNI, 64-4 1/2; 2. Allan Walz, UNI, 63-6 1/2; 3. Jamie Beyer, ISU, 56-0 1/2. LONG JUMP: 1. Yago Lamela-Tobio, ISU, 24-8 1/4; 2. Reggie Torian, UW, 24-6 1/2; 3. Richey Madison, ISU, 24-2 1/4. MILE: 1. Dmitry Drozdov, ISU, 4:11.16; 2. Corey Ihmels, ISU, 4:11.17; 3. Sean Agger, UW, 4:11.99. 55M HIGH HURDLES: 1. Reggie Torian, UW, 7.20; 2. Dion Trowers, Iowa, 7.33; 3. David Williams, Drake, 7.53; 10. Aaron Wheatcraft, UM, 7.78; 11. Greg Nelson, UM, 7.88. 400M DASH: 1. Scott Beadle, UM, 48.40; 2. Jon Judisch, UNI, 49.21; 3. David Sengstock, UW, 49.33. 600M DASH: 1. Carlton Clark, UW, 1:20.39; 2. Matt Mullenix, UNI, 1:20.85; 3. Travis Nordrum, UM, 1:20.90. HIGH JUMP: 1. Wil Kurth, UM, 6-11 3/4; 2. Damon Lampley, ISU, 6-11 3/4; 3. Jeremy Fischer, UW, 6-8; 2. Tyler McCormick, UM, 6-6 1/4. 55M DASH: 1. Jerry Harris, ISU, 6.31; 2. Tony Simmons, UW, 6.37; 3. Randy Thompson, ISU, 6.38; 5. Eric Stommes, UM, 6.47; 8. Lee Hutton, UM, 6.59; 10. Mari Moore, UM, 6.65. TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Yago Lamela-Tobio, ISU, 50-8; 2. Adrian Ellis, UM, 50-2 1/2; 3. Marcus Westberry, UM, 49-8 1/4; 6. Chip Mosley, UM, 47-4 1/5. 800M RUN: 1. Paul Michalek, UM, 1:51.64; 2. Joey Woody, UNI, 1:51.65; 3. Kevin Dunbar, UM, 1:53.52. SHOT PUT: 1. Bobby Smith, UW, 56-9 1/4; 2. Jeff Marsh, UM, 54-6 1/2; 3. Matt Casillas, UNI, 54-0. 1,000M RUN: 1. Todd Agger, UW, 2:29.12; 2. Mark Hauser, UW, 2:30.14; 3. Kory Swart, UNI, 2:30.47. POLE VAULT: 1. Juri Rován, UNI, 17-2 3/4; 2. Garrick Wilson, Drake, 16-10.3/4; 3. James Kunkelberger, UW, 16-6 3/4; 4. Seth Mischke, UM, 16-6 3/4. 200M DASH: 1. Tony Simmons, UW, 21.71; 2. Randy Thompson, ISU, 21.80; 3. Jerry Harris, ISU, 21.85; 4. Eric Stommes, UM, 21.92; 7. Lee Hutton, UM, 23.06; 9. Mari Moore, UM, 23.09; 14. Greg Nelson, UM, 23.70. 3,000M RUN: 1. Dmitry Drozdov, ISU, 8:29.49; 2. Jeff Joiner, UNI, 8:30.82; 3. Henry Dennis, UW, 8:34.31. 4x400M RELAY: 1. Iowa, 3:17.33; 2. Northern Iowa, 3:19.59; 3. Minnesota, 3:20.45



WRESTLING

Grapplers Travel to Ames on Friday: The Minnesota wrestling team will return to action on Fri., Feb. 9, when they travel to Ames, Iowa, to take on the fifth-ranked Iowa State Cyclones for a non-conference dual meet.

Gophers Lose Two in Long Weekend: Minnesota suffered a 22-13 upset at the hands of the 14th-ranked Wisconsin Badgers Sunday afternoon in Madison, after losing a 20-12 decision to second-ranked Oklahoma State on Friday night. The Golden Gophers are currently 9-5-1 (1-3 Big Ten).

On Sunday, freshman **Jesse Krebs (11-7, Minot, N.D.)** scored a major decision over Wisconsin's Greg Keigher at 158, moving the Gophers into the lead (10-9) for the first time in the dual. Junior **Nick Antila (15-9, Robbinsdale, Minn.)** and sophomore **Jason Davids (23-2, Forest Lake, Minn.)** earned decisions for the Gophers at 134 and 142, respectively. Junior **Gerald Carr (20-5, Dublin, Ga.)** was able to end his personal two-match losing streak with a 17-12 decision over Chad Lipton of Wisconsin, but that was the last match the Golden Gophers would win.

On Friday night, OSU opened up an early 11-0 lead before Davids handed OSU's Scott Reyna a 10-4 defeat. At 150, freshman **Chad Kraft (20-5, Lakefield, Minn.)** took a 7-3 lead into the third period and extended it to 9-3 before OSU's Strickland scored five consecutive points to pull within one, but Kraft earned a reversal as time expired and one point for riding time to post a 12-8 victory.

Victories by **Tim Hartung (18-9, Durand, Wis.)** and **Jeremy Goeden (8-11, Grand Rapids, Minn.)** brought the Gophers to within five points of OSU, but **Josh Dodd (6-9, Northwood, Iowa)** lost a 6-3 decision to Ben Lee.

Both dual meets this weekend saw the Gophers compete without two ranked wrestlers, as 12th-ranked 158-pound freshman **Josh Holiday (17-10, Anaheim, Calif.)** and top-ranked senior heavyweight **Billy Pierce (21-2, Minneapolis, Minn.)** were unable to compete due to injuries.


No. 14 Wisconsin 22, No. 7 Minnesota 13

February 4, 1996, Wisconsin Field House, Madison, Wis.
118- Scout Clough, UW, dec. Bart Golyer, Minn., 5-4
126- No. 4 Eric Jetton, UW, dec. Pat Connors, Minn., 10-3
134- Nick Antila, Minn., dec. Brett Werkheiser, UW, 7-5
142- No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., dec. Steve Haddon, UW, 10-5
150- Steve Best, UW, dec. No. 9 Chad Kraft, Minn., 7-4
158- Jesse Krebs, Minn., maj. dec. Greg Keigher, UW, 16-5
167- No. 8 Gerald Carr, Minn., dec. Chad Lipton, UW, 17-12
177- Joe Mahoney, UW, dec. Tim Hartung, Minn., 7-5
190- No. 6 Aaron Stark, UW, maj. dec. Jeremy Goeden, Minn., 10-2
HWT- No. 4 Jeff Walter, UW, pinned Josh Dodd, Minn., 4:50

No. 2 Oklahoma State 20, No. 7 Minnesota 12

Williams Arena, Minneapolis, Minn., ATT: 1,022
118- Teague Moore, OSU, maj. dec. Kipp Williamson, Minn., 16-7
126- No. 5 Eric Guerrero, OSU, dec. Pat Connors, Minn., 9-2
134- No. 3 Steven Schmidt, OSU, maj. dec. Mauricio Mora, Minn., 11-0
142- No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., dec. No. 11 Scott Reyna, OSU, 10-4
150- No. 9 Chad Kraft, Minn., dec. Mark Strickland, OSU, 12-8
158- Hardell Moore, OSU, dec. Jesse Krebs, Minn., 6-2
167- No. 2 Mark Branch, OSU, dec. No. 8 Gerald Carr, Minn., 6-0
177- Tim Hartung, Minn., dec. Kyle Pennington, OSU, 5-0
190- Jeremy Goeden, Minn., dec. No. 10 Aaron Strobel, OSU, 6-4
HWT- Ben Lee, OSU, dec. Josh Dodd, Minn., 6-3

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January 28, 1996

GABLER REACHES BIG TEN INDOOR SEMIFINALS

Junior Ben Gabler defeated Alberto Brause of Michigan State 6-2, 7-5 and Alex Witt of Northwestern 6-4, 3-6, 6-3 on Sunday afternoon to advance to the semifinals of the Big Ten Indoor Singles Championship at the MSU Indoor Tennis Facility on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing, Mich.

Gabler, who advanced through Saturday's preliminary round action with a straight set victory over Luke Linder of Michigan State and Jake Raiton of Michigan, is the only Golden Gopher remaining in the final four of the tournament. Gabler's semifinal match against David Paradzik of Michigan is scheduled for 8:30 a.m., with the winner meeting the survivor of the match between Arvid Swan and Peter Pusztai, both of Michigan, at 11:30 a.m. for the title.

Golden Gopher freshman Adam Selkirk advanced to the quarterfinals Sunday before being ousted by Swan in straight sets (6-3, 6-3). Freshman Tom Chicoine and sophomore Robin Rutili each won two matches to reach the round of 16 before being eliminated.

For Immediate Release

January 30, 1996

SCHOEMANN NAMED COMPLIANCE COORDINATOR

The University of Minnesota announced today the hiring of Chris Schoemann as the compliance coordinator for men's and women's athletics.

Schoemann has served as a legislative assistant for the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) for the last four years where he was responsible for assisting the Association's membership and other interested parties and organizations in understanding NCAA legislation and interpretations. He was the staff liaison to the NCAA Committee on Financial Aid and Amateurism, and the Special NCAA Committee to Study Rules Federation by Sport. In addition, he served as the conference liaison to the Big Ten, Big Sky, Great Midwest, Northeast-10, California Collegiate and Southern Collegiate Conferences.

Prior to joining the NCAA staff, Schoemann served as the head men's golf coach at Whittier (Calif.) College in 1990-91. Prior to that, he was the assistant video coordinator for the National Basketball Association's Boston Celtics from 1988-90. He also worked as a public relations assistant with the Celtics.


A native of Philadelphia, Schoemann earned a bachelor's degree in physical education from Whittier College in 1987, where he was a member of the school's basketball, golf and baseball teams. He then earned a master's degree in physical education/sports management from Springfield (Mass.) College in 1988.

Schoemann and his wife, Kristine Jacobs-Schoemann, are expecting their first child in June.

"I couldn't be more excited about the opportunity to be associated with an outstanding academic institution like the University of Minnesota," Schoemann said. "The position will enable me to work with two fine athletics programs that compete in the Big Ten Conference, a league that has a reputation that speaks for itself around the country."

"Chris comes to the University of Minnesota with an outstanding background in so many areas," said Vice President for Student Development and Athletics Dr. McKinley Boston. "We are excited to have him join us and think he will make a wonderful addition to the staff."





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BONIN, DEBUS, GOLDEN GOPHERS LEAD IN NCAA STATS

In addition to gaining a number one ranking for the first time this season, the Golden Gopher hockey team also has two individuals leading the nation according to the latest NCAA Men's Ice Hockey statistics released today.

Senior forward and Hobey Baker candidate Brian Bonin currently leads the country in total points, with 21 goals and 34 assists for 55 points. Bonin, who was WCHA MVP and a Hobey Baker Award finalist last season as a junior, has scored two or more points in his last five games, and 15 points in that span. He has been honored two times this season (six times in his career) as WCHA Offensive Player of the Week.

Sophomore goaltender Steve DeBus leads the nation in save percentage (.927), is third in goals-against average (2.04), and is fourth in winning percentage (12-2-0, .857). DeBus, who is currently on a 12-game winning streak, has not given up a goal in his last 155:30, has a 1.11 GAA in his last eight-plus games overall and a 0.65 GAA in his last six-plus WCHA contests. DeBus has given up one goal or less in 28 consecutive and 38 of 42 periods this season.

The Golden Gophers as a team rank first in the nation in scoring defense (2.32), first in winning percentage (23-3-2, .857), third in penalty-killing percentage (.863), and fourth in power-play percentage (.268).

Other Golden Gophers in the top 10 individually are goaltender Jeff Moen, who is tied for fourth in winning percentage with DeBus, and eighth in GAA (2.42). Bonin is tied for fourth in game-winning goals (5), eighth in assists per game (1.21), and ninth in points per game (1.96).



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GOLDEN GOPHER BASEBALL SIGNS EXCLUSIVE TWO-YEAR RADIO DEAL WITH KSGS-AM 950

The University of Minnesota announced today that it has reached an exclusive agreement with KSGS-AM 950 radio to broadcast all Golden Gopher regular season baseball games* during the 1996 and 1997 seasons.

"We're excited about this new partnership," Head Baseball Coach John Anderson said. "It gives our fans the opportunity to follow and support our team every step of the way. Having every game on the radio the next two years will be a big step towards gaining more exposure."

Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder Ryan Lefebvre will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons.

"This is a positive step for our baseball program," said Director of Men's Athletics Dr. Mark Dienhart. "Our broadcast relationship with KFAN the past few years has been excellent. This new agreement with KSGS will now allow us to have all of our games on the air at a consistent location on the dial, which we feel will help increase the exposure of our baseball program."

The Golden Gophers will open the 1996 season on the road February 16-18 at Florida State.

*Due to a previous agreement with WCCO-AM 830, Saturday's Pro-Alumni game at the Metrodome and the March 2 game against Tennessee will be broadcast by WCCO-AM.

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TO: Media Representatives
FROM: Marc Ryan, Director of Media Relations
RE: Football National Signing Day
Haskins Weekly Luncheon
DATE: Feb. 4, 1996

Just a reminder that the national college football signing day is **WEDNESDAY**. Coach Wacker will hold a news conference at 4:30 p.m. in the Football Lounge. The entire list of Golden Gopher signees and bio information on each signee will be released at that time.

Another reminder that since the Golden Gopher basketball team plays Indiana on Tuesday, Coach Haskins' regular weekly luncheon will be held on **MONDAY** at noon in the (third floor) Williams Arena Club Room.





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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA FOOTBALL PROGRAM ANNOUNCES NATIONAL LETTERS OF INTENT SIGNEES

Head Football Coach Jim Wacker announced today that 14 student-athletes have signed national letters of intent to attend the University of Minnesota and play football for the Golden Gophers.

The Golden Gophers signed three offensive linemen, three linebackers, three defensive backs, two defensive linemen, one quarterback, one wide receiver and one punter.

"We had some specific needs to fill, especially on the defensive side of the ball," Wacker said. "I feel as though we accomplished that goal with some outstanding student-athletes, including eight defensive players. We are especially excited about the four young men from Minnesota who decided to stay at home and wear the Maroon & Gold. Minnesota has always been our top priority and we have to work even harder in the future to make sure that we keep the state's best at home."

Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Hometown (Last School)
Donny Dalton *	LB	6-0	230	Fontana, Calif. (Mount San Antonio CC)
Jean Dugas	SS	5-10	170	Katy, Texas (Maydee Creek)
Jerome Elliott **	DL	6-5	265	Lakeview Terrace, Calif. (LA Valley CC)
Daryl Goring	CB	5-10	186	West Palm Beach, Fla. (Palm Beach Lakes)
Adam Haayer	DE	6-5	237	Wyoming, Minn. (Forest Lake)
Ben Hamilton	C	6-4	233	Plymouth, Minn. (Wayzata)
Mike Harden	DB	6-2	190	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Piper)
Sean Hoffman	LB	6-3	230	Fargo, N.D. (North)
Steve Kempf	P	6-1	185	Chicago, Ill. (Mt. Carmel)
Erik Larson	OT	6-5	240	Cambridge, Minn.
Luther Leverson	WR	6-0	170	Miami, Fla. (Northwestern)
Andy Persby	QB	6-3	210	North St. Paul, Minn. (Hill Murray)
Troy Turek	OT	6-6	295	Sun Prairie, Wis.
Ryan Venturine **	LB	6-3	230	Westlake, Calif. (LA Valley CC)

* junior college signee (has two seasons of eligibility remaining)

** junior college signee (has three seasons of eligibility remaining)

(Bios follow)

Donny Dalton, 6-0, 230, LB, Fontana, Calif (Mount San Antonio CC)
First-team All-Southern California JUCO selection in '95...runs the 40 in 4.7...all-conference and all-city choice during prep career at Eisenhower High School when he helped lead the school to the CIS title with a perfect 14-0 mark...also lettered in basketball as a prepster...high school coach was Tom Hoak...JUCO coach was Bill Fisk...plans to major in business at the U of M...has two seasons of eligibility remaining.

Jean Dugas, 5-10, 170, SS, Katy, Texas (Maydee Creek)
Honored on the all-district team in '95 when he registered 94 tackles...speedster who runs the 40 in 4.4 and has run a 10.5 100 meters...three-year letterwinner...registered five interceptions...has also collected three letters in track and two in basketball...regional qualifier in track...high school coach was Joe Sheffy.

Jerome Elliott, 6-5, 265, DL, Lakeview Terrace, Calif. (LA Valley CC)
Helped lead school to the national JUCO championship game and a 10-1 overall record in '95...outstanding athlete who played basketball his first year...three-time all-area and all-conference selection as a prepster at San Fernando High...also lettered in both basketball and track in high school...high school coach was Sam Blunt...JUCO coach was Jim Fenwick...plans to major in sociology at the U of M...JUCO teammate of fellow Golden Gopher signee Ryan Venturine...has three seasons of eligibility remaining.

Daryl Goring, 5-10, 186, CB, West Palm Beach, Fla. (Palm Beach Lakes)
Blue Chip Magazine All-Southeast Regional Team selection in '95...Palm Beach County All-Star Game participant...all-county selection...runs the 40 in 4.5...high school coach was Bill Bolinder...also considered Kansas State, Wisconsin and Wake Forest.

Adam Haayer, 6-5, 237, DE, Wyoming, Minn. (Forest Lake)
Honorable mention all-state choice in '95 when he collected seven sacks...two-time all-conference selection...played defensive end and tight end...two-year letterwinner...outstanding basketball player who was named to the all-conference team as a junior...has good speed for his size...runs the 40 in 4.9...honor roll student who plans to study business/economics at the U of M...high school coach was Jim Herman...also considered Iowa State and Wyoming.

Ben Hamilton, 6-4, 233, C, Plymouth, Minn. (Wayzata)
USA Today honorable mention All-America choice in '95...*Star Tribune* all-state selection...also earned all-conference and all-metro honors as a senior...helped lead school to the '95 Section 8AA crown...two-year letterwinner...son of former Vikings' lineman Wes Hamilton...has also lettered in tennis...honor roll student who plans to study civil engineering at the U of M...high school coach was Roger Lipelt...also considered Tulsa and San Diego State.

Mike Harden, 6-2, 190, DB, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Piper)
Blue Chip Magazine All-Southeast Regional Team selection...also earned all-county honors...broken foot hampered his senior season...has also lettered in track during prep career...runs the 40 in 4.5...brother of former Miami Dolphin Bobby Harden...high school coach was Mike Consaul.

Sean Hoffman, 6-3, 230, LB, Fargo, N.D. (North)
Honored as the '95 Gatorade North Dakota Player of the Year when he helped lead the school to the state title...*USA Today* All-America selection as well...three-time all-state choice...earned three letters...team captain in football, hockey and track...all-state and all-conference selection in hockey...top scoring defenseman in the state on the ice...two-time state placemaker in the discus...plans to study business at the U of M...high school coach was Bruce Larson...also considered Nebraska and Wyoming.

Steve Kempth, 6-1, 185, P, Chicago, Ill. (Mt. Carmel)

SuperPrep All-America selection in '95 when he averaged 44 yards per punt...outstanding "coffin corner" punter...had eight punts inside the 10 and 13 inside the 20 this past season...also earned first-team all-state honors during final prep campaign...two-time all-conference choice...honor roll student and National Honor Society member...plans to study business at the U of M...high school coach was Frank Lenti...also considered Northwestern, Michigan State and Wisconsin.

Erik Larson, 6-5, 240, OT, Cambridge, Minn.

Star Tribune and Associated Press all-state choice as a senior...two-time all-conference selection...led school to the state playoffs...starter on the school's basketball team...has lettered in track & field as well...high school coach was Mark Solberg...also considered Northwestern and Iowa State.

Luther Levenson, 6-0, 170, WR, Miami, Fla. (Northwestern)

Miami Herald Top 20 player for South Florida (#15)...two-year starter who had 30 receptions during final prep campaign when he helped lead the school to the state 6A title...speedster who runs the 40 in 4.4...track letterwinner who has clocked a 10.8 in the 100 meters...averaging 12 points per game as a starting guard on the school's basketball team...high school coach was Willie Goldsmith.

Andy Persby, 6-3, 210, QB, North St. Paul, Minn. (Hill-Murray)

Honored on the all-state team as a senior when he completed 204 of 337 pass attempts (60.5 percent) for 2,827 yards and 22 TDs...two-time all-conference selection...three-year letterwinner who runs the 40 in 4.8...captain of the school's football, basketball and baseball teams...averaging 14 points and nine rebounds per game in basketball...hit .536 last spring in baseball en route to collecting all-conference laurels...president of the school's Drug Free Target program...interested in studying physical therapy...high school coach was Steve Frickey.

Troy Turek, 6-6, 295, OT, Sun Prairie, Wis.

Milwaukee Journal first-team all-state selection as a senior...also a first-team coaches all-state honoree...all-conference and Madison all-area choice...helped school capture the '95 Class A Division I state title...has also lettered in baseball as a pitcher/first baseman...had a 6-2 record with a 1.85 ERA on the mound, and hit .275 at the plate, to help propel the school to the '95 conference crown...honor roll student who has his sights set on a career in education...high school coach was Mike Hahn...prep teammate of current Golden Gophers' Jeff Baldauf and Jason Zander...also considered Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Ryan Venturine, 6-3, 230, LB, Westlake, Calif. (LA Valley CC)

Will join fellow LA Valley CC teammate Jerome Elliott at the U of M...the talented twosome helped lead the school to the National JUCO title game in '95...runs the 40 in 4.7...*Cal Hi Sports* prep All-America choice as a senior when he played quarterback at El Camino High in Woodland Hills, Calif...also earned all-area and all-conference honors during prep career...clocked a time of 48.9 in the 400 meters in track...key performer on the school's two city championship baseball squads...plays the piano...honored with the school's Outstanding Music Award...plans to study music at the U of M...high school coach was Mike Maio...JUCO coach was Jim Fenwick...has three seasons of eligibility remaining...also considered UCLA.

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ADDITIONAL ROW OF GOLDEN GOPHER HOCKEY SEASON TICKETS AVAILABLE

The University of Minnesota announced today that a preview sale of assured seating locations for a new row of seats in Mariucci Arena begins today and will run through March 29.

The new row will be added prior to the start of the 1996-97 season. It will be installed in the existing standing room locations, which will then be moved back to accommodate the renovation. A total of 392 seats will be added to the arena, bringing the total seating capacity to 9,742.

Season tickets to Golden Gopher hockey have sold out on an annual basis since Mariucci Arena first opened prior to the start of the 1993-94 season.

"Golden Gopher hockey continues to be extraordinarily popular and we want to respond to the current demand for tickets to the extent we are able," said Director of Men's Athletics Dr. Mark Dienhart.

"We have been forced to return several hundred paid ticket applications each of the last several years because we lack the seats to accommodate new people desiring to see Gopher hockey games in person," said Assistant Athletics Director Ken Buell. "The new row will help us seat fans who have been buying each year in standing room locations, as well as those who have purchased tickets without a guaranteed location."

For information on how to purchase assured seats in the new row, contact Carrie Pietruszewski at (612) 625-4569.



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GOPHER HOTLINE

The Golden Gopher Hotline features daily interviews with players and coaches. It is available to the media 24 hours a day by calling (612) 625-7887. The Hotline is broadcast quality and is changed by noon each day. This service is for media use only. The schedule for this week is as follows:

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Head Basketball Coach Clem Haskins' weekly news conference

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Head Hockey Coach Doug Woog

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Head Tennis Coach David Geatz

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Head Baseball Coach John Anderson

GOPHERS ONLINE

The University of Minnesota Men's Athletic Department is now on the Internet. The World Wide Web site contains press releases, statistics, rosters, schedules and much more information. The Web pages can be accessed at:

<http://www.umn.edu/mica/>

Information on every Big Ten school and the conference is also available via computer internet. The Big Ten's home page on ESPNET SportsZone will be available at the following address:

<http://espnet.sportszone.com>

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THIS WEEK...

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Basketball at Michigan State
Breslin Center (15,138)
East Lansing, Mich.
7 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Swimming & Diving at Big Ten Championships
Donald B. Canham Natatorium
Ann Arbor, Mich.
Noon (preliminaries), 7 p.m. (finals)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Baseball at Florida State
Dick Howser Stadium
Tallahassee, Fla.
2:30 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf at NCAA Challenge
Rio Mar Country Club
Rio Grande, Puerto Rico, All Day

Gymnastics at Michigan State
Jenison Gymnasium
East Lansing, Mich., 7 p.m.

Hockey vs. St. Cloud State
Mariucci Arena
7 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Swimming & Diving at Big Ten Championships

Tennis Ice Volleys
98th Street Courts
6:30 p.m. (singles), 7:30 p.m. (doubles)

Track & Field Snowshoe Open
U of M Field House, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Baseball at Florida State
1 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Basketball vs. Wisconsin
Williams Arena
1:15 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

Golf at NCAA Challenge, All Day

Hockey at St. Cloud State
National Hockey Center (6,000)
8 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Baseball at Florida State
1 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf at NCAA Challenge, All Day

Gymnastics at Michigan
Cliff Keen Arena
Ann Arbor, Mich., 1 p.m.

Wrestling vs. Michigan
Williams Arena, 2:30 p.m.



BASEBALL

Golden Gophers Start '96 Campaign in Florida:

The Golden Gophers will travel to Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 16-18 and take on the 10th-ranked Florida State Seminoles to start the 1996 season. Game times are set for 2:30 p.m. (Central) Friday, and 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The Seminoles finished 53-16 last year and are 4-0 this season after a pair of two-game sweeps of Marshall and UNC-Ashville. Florida State is led by third baseman Scott Zech (.330, 3 HR, 43 RBI) and center fielder J.D. Drew (.325, 17 HR, 63 RBI). Coach Mike Martin is in his 17th season at FSU and has a 871-296-3 mark. Florida State has never lost to the Golden Gophers holding a 10-0 mark in the all-time series record.

1996 Pro-Alumni Team Downs Golden Gophers:

The 1996 Pro-Alumni team downed the Golden Gophers 5-2 Saturday night at the Metrodome in front of 2,609 fans. Brent Gates of the Oakland Athletics went 2-for-3 with a walk as the Pro-Alumni had five extra-base hits in their nine hits.

The Pro-Alumni jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the top half of the first inning on doubles by Wes Denning, Terry Steinbach and Gates.

An RBI-single by J.T. Bruett in the second knocked in Charlie Nelson, who had the Pro-Alumni's fourth double of the game, to extend the lead to 3-0.

The Golden Gophers put two on the board in the bottom half of the second inning on junior Troy Stein's (Cold Spring, Minn.) two-RBI double. Junior Bryan Guse (New Brighton, Minn.) led off the inning with the game's fifth double and junior Phil McDermott (Roseville, Minn.) was hit by a pitch before Stein's hit.

In the top of the eighth inning Paul Molitor doubled and scored on a single by Mark Merila to give the Pro-Alumni a 4-2 lead. Gates walked and scored on a fielder's choice to round out the scoring.

KSGS-AM 950 To Broadcast Games In 1996:

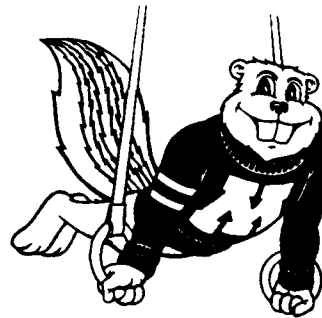
KSGS-AM 950 radio to broadcast all Golden Gopher regular-season baseball games during the 1996 and 1997 seasons. Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder Ryan Lefebvre will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons.



GOLF

Golf Team Travels to Puerto Rico for NCAA Challenge:

The men's golf team will travel to Rio Mar, Puerto Rico, Feb. 16-18 for the NCAA Challenge. Last year, the Golden Gophers finished 10th with a three-round score of 914. Following the NCAA Challenge, the Maroon and Gold will travel to Tampa, Fla., Feb. 23-25 for the University of South Florida Invitational.



GYMNASTICS

Gymnasts travel to Michigan and Michigan State:

The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team travels to the state of Michigan this weekend for dual meets against Michigan State on Friday and Michigan on Sunday. Minnesota is still looking for their first win of the year.

Ticknor back this weekend: Senior Frank Ticknor (Milwaukee, Wis.) will return to action after missing last weekend's dual with Iowa with a broken finger.

Gymnasts lose dual with Iowa: The Gophers lost to Iowa in a dual meet last Saturday at the Sports Pavilion. The seventh-ranked Hawkeyes defeated the ninth-ranked Golden Gophers 225.45 - 219.25. Minnesota is now 0-2 in dual meets this season.

The top Gopher all-rounder was junior Heath Wall (Sterling Heights, Mich.) with 53.95 points, senior Andrew Weaver (Albuquerque, N.M.) recorded 53.90 points. In event competitions, junior Chris Harrington (Brookfield, Wis.) won the floor exercise with a 9.65 and tied Wall for top honors in the rings with a 9.85.

All-Around Results: 1. Jay Thornton, (UI) - 56.65; 2. Tyler Vogt, (UI) - 56.05; 3. Aaron Cotter, (UI) - 55.20; 4. Heath Wall, (UM) - 53.95; 5. Andrew Weaver, (UM) - 53.90. **Floor Exercise:** 1. Chris Harrington, (UM) - 9.65; 2. Thornton, (UI) - 9.60; 3. Mike Townsend, (UI) - 9.40. **Pommel Horse:** 1. Hugh Lau, (UI) - 9.55; 2. Cotter, (UI) - 9.50; 3. Ryan Carns, (UM) - 9.45. **Still Rings:** 1. Wall, (UM) - 9.85; 1. Harrington, (UM) - 9.85; 3. Vogt, (UI) - 9.65. **Vault:** 1. Thornton, (UI) - 9.55; 2. Vogt, (UI) - 9.25; 3. Cotter, (UI) - 9.05 and Wall, (UM) - 9.05. **Parallel Bars:** 1. Thornton, (UI) - 9.65; 2. Vogt, (UI) - 9.60; 3. Carns, (UM) - 9.45. **High Bar:** 1. Vogt, (UI) - 9.65; 2. Weaver, (UM) - 9.50 and Thornton, (UI) - 9.50



SWIMMING & DIVING

This Week: The Golden Gophers will travel to Ann Arbor, Mich., for the Big Ten Championships which will be held Feb. 15-17. Prelims will start at noon and finals will be held at 7 p.m. each day.

Last Year: The Maroon and Gold finished second at the 1995 Big Ten Championships behind eventual national champion Michigan. **P.J. Bogart** (Sr., Mesa, Ariz.) won the 1-meter, 3-meter and 10-meter platform diving competitions and **Derek Williams** (Sr., Lansdale, Pa.) won the 100 fly and established a new Big Ten record in the prelims (47.44).

1995-96 Minnesota Swimming and Diving Schedule

November 4	Quad Duals Madison, Wis.	Wisconsin Michigan Michigan State	W 146-96 L 88-155 W 168-71
November 11	Northwestern North Carolina		W 223-77 W 180-120
November 17-19	Minnesota Inv.		
	1. Minn. 1160; 2. Geo. 931; 3. Wis. 543; 4. Iowa St. 525; 5. Fla. St. 448; 6. St. Olaf 130; 7. North Dakota 65.		
December 10-24	Winter Training Trip- Sacred Heart College		W 218-44
January 6	Gold Country Invitational		
	1. Minn., 1365; 2. St. Olaf, 341; 3. Mankato St. 268; 4. Gustavus, 235; 5. St. Cloud St., 147.5; 6. St. Thomas, 130; 7. Carleton, 126; 8. St. Mary's, 94; 9. Macalaster, 25.		
January 13	Kansas Nebraska		W 139-104 W 145-98
January 19-20	Quad Duals: Purdue Notre Dame Southern Illinois		W, 256-112 W, 304-67 W 296-70
January 27	Iowa	Postponed due to snow	
February 2-3	All Comers Open	No Team Scores	
February 15-17	Big Ten Championships		
February 25	Go-Pher-It		
March 6-12	Olympic Trials		
March 15-16	NCAA Diving Zone Qualifying		
March 28-30	NCAA Championships		
Home events in BOLD			



TENNIS

Ice Volleys This Weekend: Minnesota's Ice Volleys tournament is scheduled for the 98th Street Courts this weekend. The tournament features Southern Alabama, Florida State, Kansas and the Gophers. The tournament schedule is as follows:

Ice Volleys Schedule:

Friday, February 16

6:30 p.m. Southern Alabama vs. **Minnesota (singles)**

Florida State vs. Kansas (doubles)

7:30 p.m. Southern Alabama vs. **Minnesota (doubles)**

Florida State vs. Kansas (singles)

Saturday, February 17

6:30 p.m. Florida State vs. **Minnesota (singles)**

Southern Alabama vs. Kansas (doubles)

7:30 p.m. Florida State vs. **Minnesota (doubles)**

Southern Alabama vs. Kansas (singles)



TRACK & FIELD

Gophers Host Snowshoe Meet Friday: The Gopher track and field team will play host to the final pre-championship meet of the indoor season this Friday, when the Gold Country Snowshoe begins at 5:30 p.m. at the U of M Field House. The schedule of events follows.

Gold Country Snowshoe Order of Events:

5:30 p.m. Long Jump, Triple Jump
6 p.m. High Jump, Shot Put, Pole Vault
6:15 p.m. Mile, 400m, 55m, 800m, 55HH, 600m, 3,000m, 200m, 4x400m Relay

Three Gophers Post Qualifying Marks: Three members of the track and field team posted NCAA provisional qualifying marks during competition Saturday afternoon at the Iowa State Classic in Ames, Iowa. The ISU Classic was not a team scored meet and was run on an oversize (300m) track.

Freshman **Vesa Rantanen (Virrat, Finland)** finished second in the pole vault with a season-best vault of 17-7 1/4. This improves Rantanen's previous qualifying mark by three inches. Junior **Scott Beadle (Moorhead, Minn.)** dropped his season-best 400m dash time by over a second, finishing second in 47.33. Senior **Paul Michalek (Bloomington, Minn.)** was the third Golden Gopher to post a qualifying mark, running a 4:03.51 mile to finish second in that event and post his first NCAA qualifying mark of the indoor season.



WRESTLING

Wrestling Hosts Michigan Sunday: The Minnesota wrestling team will enjoy over a week without a competition before the team plays host to the Michigan Wolverines in Williams Arena on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. The Wolverines are currently ranked 15th by *Amateur Wrestling News* and feature four athletes ranked in the top-10 in their respective weight classes. Jesse Rawls is the highest-ranked athlete for Michigan at No. 4 in the 177 weight class. Michigan athletes are also ranked at 150 (Bill Lacure, 9th), 158 (Jeff Catrabone, 5th) and heavyweight (Airon Richardson, 7th).

Grapplers Fall to Iowa State in Ames: Minnesota lost a 22-12 decision to the second-ranked Iowa State Cyclones on Friday night in Ames, Iowa. ISU improved to 11-4-1 on the season with the win, while the Gophers fall to 9-6-1.

Minnesota did not score a team point until the 167-pound weight class, where **Gerald Carr (Dublin, Ga.)** earned a 3-2 decision over seventh-ranked Barry Weldon. Freshman **Tim Hartung (Durand, Wis.)** followed with a pin of Matt Mulvihill in 6:24 at 177, and sophomore **Jeremy Goeden (Grand Rapids, Minn.)** completed Minnesota's team scoring with a 9-3 decision over Matt Patitz.

No. 2 Iowa State 22, No. 7 Minnesota 12

James H. Hilton Coliseum, Ames, Iowa, ATT: 2,173

118- No. 4 Jason Nurre, ISU, match term. Kipp Williamson, Minn., 18-1, 4:44
126- Eric Keller, ISU, dec. Pat Connors, Minn., 7-5
134- Dwight Hinson, ISU dec. Nick Antila, Minn., 12-7
142- No. 4 Derek Mountsier, ISU, dec. No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., 9-8
150- No. 2 Chris Bono, ISU, dec. Chad Kraft, Minn., 7-2
158- Bart Horton, ISU, dec. Josh Holiday, Minn., 12-8
167- No. 8 Gerald Carr, Minn., dec. No. 7 Barry Weldon, ISU, 3-2
177- Tim Hartung, Minn., pinned Matt Mulvihill, ISU, 6:24
190- Jeremy Goeden, Minn., dec. Matt Patitz, ISU, 9-3
HWT- Trent Hynek, ISU, dec. Josh Dodd, Minn., 7-3