



# GOLDEN GOPHER

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**WEEKLY RELEASE**  
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### MEDIA INFORMATION

**TV (FRIDAY ONLY):**  
 Midwest Sports Channel /  
 Frank Mazzocco-play-by-  
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 Pat Micheletti - interviews

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 (Live)/Dan Terhaar-play-by-  
 play; Glen Sonmor-color;  
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 host

**INTERVIEWS:** The coaching  
 staff and players are avail-  
 able for interviews on  
 WEDNESDAYS by request  
 through the Media Relations  
 office. The Golden Gopher  
 locker room is CLOSED to  
 the media at all times.

Postgame interviews will be  
 done outside the locker  
 room after a 10 minute cool-  
 ing off period.

**This Weekend**  
**#7 Minnesota (9-3-2, 7-1-2) at**  
**Denver (4-7-1, 3-5-0)**  
**Fri., Dec. 1 • 8:35 p.m.**  
**Sat., Dec. 2 • 8:05 p.m.**  
**Magness Arena**

### Series Information

**Series Notes:** This will be the 139th and 140th meeting between Minnesota and Denver • The Golden Gophers lead the all-time series 80-49-9 • Minnesota is 6-3-1 in the last 10 meetings, including a pair of victories last season at Mariucci Arena • The two teams first met on Jan. 1, 1951 with the Golden Gophers pre-vailling 10-4 • Minnesota's longest win streak was eight games from 1987-89 • Denver's longest win streak was 10 games from 1960-74.

**Head Coach:** George Gwozdecky is in his seventh season at the helm of the Denver program. He is 128-110-16 as head coach of the Pioneers. He is in his 15th year overall as a head coach and owns a 281-234-37 career record. Before joining Denver, Gwozdecky was head coach at Miami of Ohio.

**Last Year:** Minnesota swept Denver at Mariucci Arena on Jan. 14-15. In the opener, the Golden Gophers jumped out to a 5-1 first-period lead, but needed Jordan Leopold's goal in overtime to pull out a 7-6 victory. On Saturday, John Pohl collected his first career hat trick in style. He tallied a short-handed, a power-play and an even-strength goal in a 7-3 victory. Aaron Miskovich added a career-high four assists.

### SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Oct. 7	vs. Notre Dame%	W 7-3
Oct. 14	at Bemidji State#	W 9-3
Oct. 20	MINN-DULUTH	W 3-1
Oct. 21	MINN-DULUTH	W 9-2
Oct. 27	ALASKA-ANCH.	W 2-1
Oct. 28	ALASKA-ANCH.	T 3-3
Nov. 3	WISCONSIN	W 4-0
Nov. 4	WISCONSIN	W 5-2
Nov. 10	at North Dakota	L 5-7
Nov. 11	at North Dakota	T 5-5
Nov. 17	at St. Cloud State	W 2-0
Nov. 18	ST.CLOUDSTATE	W 4-3
Nov. 24	MICHIGANSTATE#	L 2-3
Nov. 25	MICHIGAN#	L 1-4
Dec. 1	at Denver	8:35 p.m.
Dec. 2	at Denver	8:05 p.m.
Dec. 9	QUINNIPIAC#	7:05 p.m.
Dec. 10	EXHIBITION*	7:05 p.m.
Dec. 29	MARIUCCI CLASSIC#	
	Lake Superior State/Bemidji State	4 p.m.
	Union/Minnesota	7 p.m.
Dec. 30	MARIUCCI CLASSIC#	
	Third place game	4 p.m.
	Championship game	7 p.m.
Jan. 5	at Alaska-Anch.	10:35 p.m.
Jan. 6	at Alaska-Anch.	10:35 p.m.
Jan. 12	NORTH DAKOTA	7:05 p.m.
Jan. 13	NORTH DAKOTA	7:05 p.m.
Jan. 19	at Wisconsin	7:05 p.m.
Jan. 20	at Wisconsin	7:05 p.m.
Jan. 23	BROWN#	7:05 p.m.
Jan. 27	BEMIDJI STATE#	7:05 p.m.
Feb. 2	MICHIGANTECH	7:05 p.m.
Feb. 3	MICHIGANTECH	3:05 p.m.
Feb. 9	at MSU, Marquette	7:35 p.m.
Feb. 10	at MSU, Marquette	7:35 p.m.
Feb. 16	COLORADO COLL	7:05 p.m.
Feb. 17	COLORADO COLL	7:05 p.m.
Feb. 23	at Minn.-Duluth	7:05 p.m.
Feb. 24	at Minn.-Duluth	7:05 p.m.
March 2	ST.CLOUDSTATE	7:05 p.m.
March 3	at St. Cloud State	7:05 p.m.
March 9-11	WCHA FIRST ROUND	
March 15-17	WCHA FINAL FIVE	
	(at Xcel Energy Center - St. Paul, Minn.)	
March 24-26	NCAA REGIONALS	
	(at Grand Rapids, Mich.)	
	(at Worcester, Mass.)	
April 5	NCAA SEMIFINALS	
	(at Albany, N.Y.)	
April 7	NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP	
	(at Albany, N.Y.)	
	%-at Xcel Energy Center (St. Paul, Minn.)	
	* - exhibition game	
	# - nonconference game	
	all game times are Central	
	game times are subject to change	

### Did You Know?

In 15 of the past 21 games, the winner between Minnesota and Denver has scored at least five goals. Last year, the Golden Gophers scored a total of 14 goals in a two-game sweep of the Pioneers. Minnesota is 12-7-2 in those contests.

### Career Scoring vs. Denver

Player (games)	G-A-Pts	Notes
John Pohl (4)	3-6-9	3-4--7 in sweep last year
Aaron Miskovich (6)	2-4--6	4a on 1/15/00
Erik Westrum (5)	1-4--5	1-2--3 in 7-6 win on 1/14/00
Jordan Leopold (4)	2-2--4	GWG goal on 1/14/00
Pat O'Leary (2)	3-0--3	career-high 2g on 1/15/00
Stuart Senden (6)	2-1--3	1g in tie on 1/9/99
Nick Anthony (2)	1-0--1	1g in win on 1/15/00
Matt Leimbek (2)	1-0--1	1g in win on 1/14/00
Nick Angell (4)	1-0--1	1g in win on 1/15/00
Dylan Mills (6)	0-1--1	1a on 1/15/00
Jeff Taffe (2)	0-1--1	1a on 1/15/00
Erik Wendell (4)	0-1--1	1a on 1/9/99

## 2000-01 Record When

Overall Record	9-3-2
WCHA Record	7-1-2
Home Record	6-2-1
Road Record	2-1-1
Neutral Site Record	1-0-0
Last 20 Games (including last year)	12-6-2
Last 10 Games (including last year)	6-2-2
Last 5 Games	2-2-1
Scoring A Power-Play Goal	8-1-1
Not Scoring A Power-Play Goal	1-2-1
Allowing A Power-Play Goal	4-3-1
Not Allowing A Power-Play Goal	5-0-1
Scoring A Short-Handed Goal	4-1-0
Allowing A Short-Handed Goal	0-1-0
10 Or More Penalties	6-1-1
Fewer Than 10 Penalties	3-2-1
More Penalties Than Opponent	3-3-1
Fewer Penalties Than Opponent	4-0-1
Same Amount Of Penalties	2-0-0
In One-Goal Games	2-1-0
In Two-Goal Games	2-1-0
In Three-Goal or More Games	5-1-0
In Overtime Games	0-0-2
Scoring 4 or More Goals	6-1-1
Scoring 3 or Fewer Goals	3-2-1
Scoring 3 or More Goals	7-1-2
Scoring 2 or Fewer Goals	2-2-0
Allowing 4 or More Goals	0-2-1
Allowing 3 or Fewer Goals	9-1-1
Scoring First Goal Of Game	8-2-1
Opponents Score First	1-1-1
Leading After One Period	5-2-1
Trailing After One Period	0-1-1
Tied After One Period	4-0-0
Scoring First Goal Of Second Period	6-1-0
Leading After Two Periods	6-2-0
Trailing After Two Periods	0-0-0
Tied After Two Periods	3-0-2
Scoring First Goal Of Third Period	7-0-2
Having 10-19 Shots On Goal	0-0-0
Having 20-29 Shots On Goal	1-1-0
Having 30-39 Shots On Goal	4-1-1
Having 40 or More Shots On Goal	4-1-1
Allowing 10-19 Shots On Goal	3-0-1
Allowing 20-29 Shots On Goal	2-1-0
Allowing 30-39 Shots On Goal	4-1-1
Allowing 40 or More Shots On Goal	0-1-0
Outshooting Opponent	8-2-2
Opponent Outshoots Minnesota	1-1-0
Shots Are Even	0-0-0
October	5-0-1
November	4-3-1
December	0-0-0
January	0-0-0
February	0-0-0
March	0-0-0
Tuesdays	0-0-0
Fridays	4-2-0
Saturdays	5-1-2
Sundays	0-0-0
Series Record	3-0-2
Games Following A Win	6-1-1
Games Following A Loss	0-18-1
Games Following A Tie	2-1-0

## News & Notes

**Minnesota Swept in College Hockey Showcase:** Minnesota was defeated twice in the College Hockey Showcase at Mariucci Arena this past weekend. In Friday's 3-2 defeat against top-ranked Michigan State, Brian Maloney scored on the power-play with 1:37 to play in the game to break a 2-2 tie. On Saturday against seventh-ranked Michigan, the Wolverines used two goals and an assist from Mike Cammalleri, and goaltender Josh Blackburn made 33 saves in the 4-1 victory. This was only the second time in the eight-year history of the College Hockey Showcase that Minnesota failed to win at least one game.

**Minnesota Drops in National Rankings:** With a pair of losses over the weekend, the Golden Gophers dropped in the national rankings. Ranked second in the nation last week by USCHO.com, Minnesota fell to No. 7. The Golden Gophers were ranked No. 1 in the nation in the *USA Today*/American Hockey Magazine poll, but also dropped to seventh. Minnesota has been ranked number one in the nation twice, but dropped the following week after a loss and a tie at North Dakota on Nov. 10-11, and losses to Michigan State and Michigan this past weekend.

**Head Coach Don Lucia:** Golden Gopher Head Coach Don Lucia has a career coaching record of 308-177-32 (.627) in 13-plus seasons behind the bench. At Minnesota, he owns a 29-22-4 mark (.564). His teams have won 20 or more games in all but three of the past 13 seasons, including a streak of eight straight years with 20-plus wins. Lucia owns a 19-14-2 mark against the Pioneers in his career, but just a 2-9-0 record in games played in Denver.

**Strong Starts:** Junior goaltender Adam Hauser has gotten off to great starts in games this season. In the past five games and seven of the past eight games, he has not allowed a first-period goal. The only blemishes in that span are goals by North Dakota's Bryan Lundbohm and David Lundbohm in the first period on Nov. 10. In 12 games this year, Minnesota has given up six goals in the first period.

**Turning the Tables:** Last year, Minnesota went a combined 3-15-2 (.200) against teams that advanced to the 2000 NCAA Tournament. This season after facing teams that participated in last year's tournament (Wisconsin, North Dakota, St. Cloud State, Michigan State, Michigan), the Golden Gophers are 4-3-1 (.563).

**Pohl and the Pioneers:** Junior John Pohl has dominated Denver in his four career games played against the Pioneers. Last year in the Golden Gophers' sweep at Mariucci Arena, the Red Wing, Minn., native tallied four assists in a 7-6 overtime victory, and followed that with his first career hat trick in a 7-3 triumph. Pohl has career totals of 3-6--9 in four games against Denver. Pohl's single-game career-highs for goals, assists and points were all set over the weekend.

**High-Scoring Affairs:** In the past 30 meetings with the Pioneers, Minnesota has averaged 4.5 goals per contest. The Golden Gophers have a 19-8-3 record in those contests. Minnesota has scored five or more goals in 15 of the 30 games. Last year, the Golden Gophers scored seven goals in each of the victories at Mariucci Arena.

**Tell-Tale Signs:** One of the keys to success this season has been the play of the special teams. In Minnesota's nine victories, the Golden Gophers capitalized on 34.5 percent of their power-play opportunities (19-of-55), while opponents were at 7.5 percent (4-of-53). In the three Golden Gopher losses, Minnesota's power-play was at 11.1 percent (1-of-9), while the opponents were at 36.4 (4-of-9).

**First Time for Everything:** Michigan's 3-1 lead after two periods on Saturday was the first time this season that Minnesota trailed entering the third period. The Golden Gophers also entered the weekend with an 8-0-1 mark when scoring first, but after tallying first-period goals in both games, lost both contests.

**Third-Period Blues:** Through the first seven games of the 2000-01 season, the Golden Gophers outscored their opponents 19-5 in the third period. Since then, in seven games, the Golden Gophers have been outscored 16-8 in the final period.

Minnesota was 21-0-2 when leading after the second period under head coach Don Lucia. In the past three weeks, the Golden Gophers have lost two games after taking a lead into the third period, last Friday against Michigan State (1-0 lead) and Nov. 10 at North Dakota (5-3 lead).

**Misky Moves Closer to Mark:** A week after senior captain Erik Westrum collected his eighth career short-handed goal, fellow senior Aaron Miskovich recorded his ninth short-handed tally against Michigan State on Friday. His dramatic third-period goal moves him to within one of Paul Broten's career record of 10, set between 1984-88. While Broten played in 172 career games, Miskovich has moved to within one of the all-time mark in 124 contests. In eight home games this season, Minnesota has scored five short-handed goals, while allowing just five power-play goals.

**Hauser vs. the Pioneers:** Hauser has a 2-1-1 record against Denver with a 3.84 goals-against-average and .872 save percentage.

Date	Result	Saves	GA
1/9/99	T 3-3	25	3
1/10/99	L 0-5	16	5
1/14/00	W 7-6 (ot)	41	6
1/15/00	W 7-3	27	3

## Tale of the Tape

Series Information	Team Comparisons	
Minnesota leads 80-49-9	UM	DU
Last 10 games - MN 6-3-1	23/72 (.319)	PP 5/54 (.093)
First meeting - 1/1/51, MN 10-4	17/55 (.309)	WCHA PP 3/31 (.097)
Last meeting - 1/15/00, MN 7-3	63/72 (.875)	PK 49/61 (.803)
MN's longest win streak - 8 (1987-89)	48/54 (.889)	WCHA PK 34/41 (.829)
DU's longest win streak - 10 (1960-74)	6-2-1	Home 3-1-1
'90s - MN 22-10-3	2-1-1	Away 4-0-0
Last win for Minnesota - 1/15/00 (7-3)	4.4	Goals/Game 2.9
Last win for Denver - 1/10/99 (5-0)	2.6	Goals Allowed/Game 3.6
	9.5	Penalties/Game 8.4
	37.6	Shots on Goal/Game 28.8

## USCHO.com

### USCHO.com Division I Men's Poll

1. Michigan State (38)	598
2. North Dakota (2)	527
3. Boston College	483
4. New Hampshire	448
5. Michigan	424
6. Western Michigan	416
7. Minnesota	391
8. Providence	282
9. Colorado College	280
10. St. Cloud State	267

### WCHA Teams Receiving Votes:

16. Wisconsin	50
21. Alaska-Anchorage	9

## USA Today

### USA Today/American Hockey Magazine Poll

1. Michigan State (14)	265
2. North Dakota (3)	240
3. Boston College (1)	235
4. Michigan	207
5. New Hampshire	196
6. Western Michigan	185
7. Minnesota	167
8. Providence	127
9. St. Cloud State	123
10. Colorado College	119

### WCHA Teams Receiving Votes:

16. Wisconsin	30
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## Period-By-Period

Scoring	1st	2nd	3rd	OT	Total	Avg.
MINN	15	19	27	0	61	4.4
Opp.	6	10	21	0	37	2.6

  

Shots on Goal	1st	2nd	3rd	OT	Total	Avg.
MINN	164	188	172	3	527	37.6
Opp.	126	120	125	5	376	26.9

## Miscellaneous

Minnesota has 21 winning seasons in the last 23 years • the Golden Gophers were 17-5-0 against non-NCAA tournament teams in the 1999-2000 campaign, but only 3-15-2 against teams who made it to the national tournament • Minnesota led the WCHA in power-play efficiency in both conference games only and all games • the Golden Gophers return six of their top seven scorers from last season • Minnesota said goodbye to five seniors from the 1999-2000 roster (Dave Spehar, Nate Miller, Rico Pagel, Mike Lyons, Ryan Trebil) • the Golden Gophers were 1-2-0 in neutral ice games last season • Minnesota was 11-3-0 after Christmas break before mononucleus sidelined goalie Adam Hauser • among returning players in the WCHA, only North Dakota's Jeff Panzer (19-44-63) had more points than John Pohl (18-41-59) • Minnesota has won nine of its last 13 road contests with two ties; the only losses coming to St. Cloud State, 3/4/00, and North Dakota, 11/10/00.

## Preseason Pub

### Grand Forks Herald WCHA Coaches Poll

1. North Dakota (6)	77
2. Wisconsin (3)	70
3. St. Cloud State (1)	61
Minnesota	61
5. Colorado College	54
6. Denver	37
7. MSU, Mankato	35
8. Alaska-Anchorage	23
Minnesota-Duluth	23
10. Michigan Tech	9

### WCHA Preseason Player of the Year

Dany Heatley, Wisconsin

### WCHA Preseason Rookie of the Year

Connor James, Denver  
Troy Riddle, Minnesota

## THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

### Minnesota Swept A Road Series:

March 10-11, 2000 @ Colorado College (4-2, 3-2)

### Minnesota Was Swept In A Road Series:

November 12-13, 2000 @ Wisconsin (4-3, 5-4 ot)

### Minnesota Swept A Home Series:

Nov. 3-4, 2000 vs. Wisconsin (4-0, 5-2)

### Minnesota Was Swept In A Home Series:

February 25-26, 2000 vs. Wisconsin (4-2, 5-4)

### Minnesota Shut Out An Opponent:

November 17, 2000 at St. Cloud State  
(Adam Hauser, 2-0)

### An Opponent Shut Out Minnesota:

March 3, 2000 vs. St. Cloud State (Scott Meyer, 5-0)

### Minnesota Player Scored A Hat Trick:

February 18, 2000 @ Michigan Tech  
(Dave Spehar, 9-2 Minnesota win)

### Minnesota Player Scored A Pure Hat Trick:

February 26, 1999 @ Minnesota-Duluth  
(Wyatt Smith, 4-1 Minnesota win)

### An Opponent Scored A Hat Trick:

January 22, 1999 @ North Dakota  
(Jeff Panzer, four goals, 5-4, Minnesota loss)

### Minnesota Player Scored Four Goals In A Game:

February 27, 1999 @ Minnesota-Duluth  
(Reggie Berg, 10-7 Minnesota win)

### Minnesota Won When Trailing After Two Periods:

March 11, 2000 @ Colorado College in WCHA First Round (3-2 OT/trailing 1-0 heading into third period)

### Minnesota Had 50 or More Shots On Goal In A Game:

November 3, 2000 vs. Wisconsin  
(51 shots, 4-0 Minnesota win)

### Opponent Had 50 or More Shots On Goal In A Game:

January 31, 1997 @ North Dakota  
(51 shots, 6-4 Minnesota loss)

### Minnesota Player Scored A Shorthanded Goal:

November 24, 2000 vs. Michigan State  
(Aaron Miskovich, third period, 3-2 loss)

### Minnesota Won In Overtime:

March 11, 2000 vs. Colorado College (3-2)

### Minnesota Lost In Overtime:

March 4, 2000 @ St. Cloud State (4-3)

### Minnesota Tied In Overtime:

November 11, 2000 at North Dakota (5-5)

### Minnesota Scored 10 Goals Or More In A Game:

February 27, 1999 @ Minnesota-Duluth  
(10-7 Minnesota win)

### Opponent Scored 10 Goals Or More In A Game:

January 30, 1993 @ Michigan Tech  
(10-2 Minnesota loss)

## Career Game Highs

### #1 Adam Hauser

Goals Allowed: 0 (6 times, last 11/17/00 at SCSU)  
Saves: 44 (10/22/99 vs. North Dakota)  
Saves %: 1.000 (6 times, last 11/17/00 at SCSU)

### #2 Mark Nenovich

Goals: 1 (2 times, last 3/11/00 at CC)  
Assists: 1 (2 times, last 1/30/00 vs. MSU, Mank.)  
Points (Game): 2 (12/29/99 vs. Harvard)

### #3 Jordan Leopold

Goals: 2 (3 times, last 11/10/00 at UND)  
Assists: 3 (3 times, last 10/14/00 at BSU)  
Points (Game): 4 (10/14/00 at BSU)

### #4 Dylan Mills

Goals: 2 (1/29/00 vs. MSU, Mankato)  
Assists: 2 (10 times, last 11/4/00 vs. Wis.)  
Points: 4 (1/29/00 vs. MSU, Mankato)

### #7 Erik Westrum

Goals: 3 (11/13/99 at Wisconsin)  
Assists: 4 (10/14/00 at Bemidji State)  
Points: 5 (10/14/00 at Bemidji State)

### #9 John Pohl

Goals: 3 (1/15/00 vs. Denver)  
Assists: 4 (1/14/00 vs. Denver)  
Points: 4 (3 times, last 1/15/00 vs. Denver)

### #10 Paul Martin

Goals: N/A  
Assists: 1 (11/24/00 vs. Michigan State)  
Points: N/A

### #11 Erik Wendell

Goals: 1 (12 times, last 10/21/00 vs. UMD)  
Assists: 1 (9 times, last 2/26/00 vs. Wis.)  
Points: 2 (2 times, last 3/12/99 vs. UAA)

### #12 Matt Koalska

Goals: 1 (4 times, last 11/10/00 at UND)  
Assists: 1 (3 times, last 11/3/00 vs. Wis.)  
Points: 2 (3 times, last 11/3/00 vs. Wis.)

### #15 Stuart Senden

Goals: 2 (2 times, last 2/26/00 vs. Wis.)  
Assists: 2 (2 times, last 10/21/00 vs. UMD)  
Points: 2 (5 times, last 10/21/00 vs. UMD)

### #16 Nick Anthony

Goals: 1 (5 times, last 11/18/00 vs. SCSU)  
Assists: 1 (6 times, last 11/10/00 vs. UND)  
Points: 2 (10/29/99 vs. BC)

### #18 Grant Potulny

Goals: 2 (10/14/00 at Bemidji State)

Assists: 1 (4 times, last 11/10/00 at UND)  
Points: 3 (10/14/00 at Bemidji State)

### #19 Matt DeMarchi

Goals: 1 (2 times, last 10/14/00 at BSU)  
Assists: 2 (3/16/00 vs. MSU, Mankato)  
Points: 2 (2 times, last 10/14/00 at BSU)

### #21 Troy Riddle

Goals: 2 (10/14/00 at Bemidji State)  
Assists: 1 (2 times, last 11/3/00 vs. Wis.)  
Points: 2 (10/14/00 at Bemidji State)

### #22 Jeff Taffe

Goals: 2 (1/29/00 vs. MSU, Mankato)  
Assists: 4 (2/18/00 at Michigan Tech)  
Points: 4 (2/18/00 at Michigan Tech)

### #24 Ben Tharp

Goals: 1 (2 times, last 10/21/00 vs. UMD)  
Assists: 3 (2/18/00 at Michigan Tech)  
Points: 3 (2/18/00 at Michigan Tech)

### #25 Pat O'Leary

Goals: 2 (1/15/00 vs. Denver)  
Assists: 1 (5 times, last 11/11/00 at UND)  
Points: 2 (1/15/00 vs. Denver)

### #26 Nick Angell

Goals: 1 (5 times, last 10/21/00 vs. UMD)  
Assists: 2 (12/10 at SCSU)  
Points: 2 (3 times, last 10/21/00 vs. UMD)

### #27 Aaron Miskovich

Goals: 2 (4 times, last 2/11/00 vs. CC)  
Assists: 4 (1/15/00 vs. Denver)  
Points: 4 (2 times, last 2/11/00 vs. CC)

### #28 Matt Leimbek

Goals: 2 (10/28 vs. UAA)  
Assists: 2 (2 times, last 1/29/99 vs. MTU)  
Points: 3 (1/29/99 vs. Michigan Tech)

### #30 Erik Young

Goals Allowed: 3 (2/25/00 vs. Wis.)  
Saves: 30 (2/26/00 vs. Wis.)  
Saves Percentage: .900 (2/25/00 vs. Wis.)

### #34 Pete Samargia

Goals Allowed: 4 (3/4/00 at SCSU)  
Saves (Game): 35 (3/4/00 at SCSU)  
Saves%: .897 (3/4/00 at SCSU)

## Did You Know?

**Minnesota and the NHL:** Fifty-four percent (14/26) of the Golden Gophers on this year's squad have been drafted by teams in the NHL, the highest percentage ever at Minnesota. Prior to the 1998-99 season, only 25 percent (7/28) of players on the roster had been chosen.

### CAREER GOALS - CURRENT PLAYERS

Erik Westrum	53
Aaron Miskovich	36
John Pohl	32
Jordan Leopold	18
Stuart Senden	17
Jeff Taffe	15
Erik Wendell	13
Dylan Mills	11
Matt Leimbek	9
Troy Riddle	8
Pat O'Leary	7
Nick Angell	5
Nick Anthony	5
Matt Koalska	4
Grant Potulny	4
Mark Nenovich	2
Matt DeMarchi	2
Ben Tharp	2

### CAREER ASSISTS - CURRENT PLAYERS

Erik Westrum	76
John Pohl	60
Dylan Mills	50
Jordan Leopold	47
Aaron Miskovich	38
Jeff Taffe	20
Matt Leimbek	19
Nick Angell	17
Stuart Senden	15
Ben Tharp	13
Matt DeMarchi	10
Erik Wendell	9
Nick Anthony	9
Pat O'Leary	5
Grant Potulny	4
Matt Koalska	3
Mark Nenovich	2
Troy Riddle	2
Jon Waibel	2
Paul Martin	1

### CAREER POINTS - CURRENT PLAYERS

Erik Westrum	129
John Pohl	92
Aaron Miskovich	74
Jordan Leopold	66
Dylan Mills	61
Jeff Taffe	35
Stuart Senden	32
Matt Leimbek	28
Erik Wendell	22
Nick Angell	22
Ben Tharp	15
Nick Anthony	14
Matt DeMarchi	12
Pat O'Leary	12
Troy Riddle	10
Grant Potulny	8
Matt Koalska	7
Mark Nenovich	4
Jon Waibel	2
Paul Martin	1

### CAREER GAMES - CURRENT PLAYERS

Erik Westrum	132
Dylan Mills	131
Aaron Miskovich	124
Stuart Senden	113
Matt Leimbek	101
John Pohl	96
Jordan Leopold	91
Adam Hauser	89
Nick Angell	87
Erik Wendell	81
Pat O'Leary	53
Jeff Taffe	52
Matt DeMarchi	50
Mark Nenovich	47
Nick Anthony	43
Ben Tharp	42
Matt Koalska	14
Paul Martin	14
Grant Potulny	14
Troy Riddle	14
Jon Waibel	14
Joey Martin	4
Chad Roberg	3

## WCHA Standings/Schedule

Team (Overall Record, win %)	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	GDif
Minnesota (9-3-2, .714)	10	7	1	2	16	42	24	+18
North Dakota (10-2-4, .750)	10	7	2	1	15	51	35	+16
Colorado College (8-3-1, .708)	10	7	3	0	14	37	26	+11
Wisconsin (8-8-0, .500)	10	5	5	0	10	28	29	-1
MSU, Mankato (6-8-0, .429)	12	5	7	0	10	38	39	-2
Alaska Anchorage (5-4-1, .550)	6	3	2	1	7	15	14	+1
St. Cloud State (8-3-1, .708)	6	3	3	0	6	18	15	+3
Denver (4-7-1, .375)	8	3	5	0	6	23	32	-9
Michigan Tech (3-9-1, .269)	12	3	9	0	6	28	46	-18
Minnesota-Duluth (2-10-0, .167)	8	1	7	0	2	19	39	-20

### Games This Weekend

St. Cloud State at Michigan Tech (Fri./Sat.)

Wisconsin at Minn.-Duluth (Fri./Sat.)

North Dakota at Alaska Anchorage (Fri./Sat.)

Air Force (Fri.) / Bemidji State (Sat.) at Colorado College

## Season Highs/Lows

### Team

<b>MOST GOALS/GAME</b>	(9) two times, last 10/21 vs. UMD
<b>LEAST GOALS/GAME</b>	(1) 11/25 vs. Michigan
<b>MOST ASSISTS/GAME</b>	(13) 10/14 @ Bemidji State
<b>LEAST ASSISTS/GAME</b>	(2) 11/25 vs. Michigan
<b>MOST GOALS AGAINST/GAME</b>	(7) 11/10 at North Dakota
<b>LEAST GOALS AGAINST/GAME</b>	(0) two times, 11/17 at SCSU
<b>MOST ASSISTS AGAINST/GAME</b>	(12) 11/10 at North Dakota
<b>LEAST ASSISTS AGAINST/GAME</b>	(0) two times, 11/17 at SCSU
<b>MOST GOALS/PERIOD</b>	(5) 11/10 at North Dakota - second period
<b>MOST GOALS AGAINST/PERIOD</b>	(4) 11/10 at North Dakota - third period
<b>MOST POWER PLAY GOALS/GAME</b>	(4) 10/21 vs. UMD
<b>MOST POWER PLAY GOALS ALLOWED/GAME</b>	(2) two times, last 11/18 vs. SCSU
<b>MOST SHOTS ON GOAL/GAME</b>	(54) 10/14 @ Bemidji State
<b>LEAST SHOTS ON GOAL/GAME</b>	(26) 11/17 at SCSU
<b>MOST SHOTS AGAINST/GAME</b>	(40) 11/10 at North Dakota
<b>LEAST SHOTS AGAINST/GAME</b>	(13) 10/20 vs. UMD
<b>MOST SHOTS ON GOAL/PERIOD</b>	(24) two times, last 11/3 vs. Wisconsin - second period
<b>MOST SHOTS AGAINST/PERIOD</b>	(16) 11/10 at North Dakota - third period
<b>MOST PENALTIES/GAME</b>	(21) 10/7 vs. Notre Dame
<b>LEAST PENALTIES/GAME</b>	(2) 10/27 vs. Alaska-Anchorage
<b>MOST PIM/GAME</b>	(44) 11/3 vs. Wisconsin
<b>LEAST PIM/GAME</b>	(4) 10/27 vs. Alaska-Anchorage
<b>MOST OPP. PENALTIES/GAME</b>	(20) 10/7 vs. Notre Dame
<b>LEAST OPP. PENALTIES/GAME</b>	(2) 10/27 vs. Alaska-Anchorage
<b>MOST OPP. PIM/GAME</b>	(51) 10/7 vs. Notre Dame
<b>LEAST OPP. PIM/GAME</b>	(4) 10/27 vs. Alaska-Anchorage
<b>QUICKEST TWO GOALS</b>	(0:14) 11/10 at North Dakota - second period (Taffe, Koalska)
<b>QUICKEST THREE GOALS</b>	(1:17) 11/10 at North Dakota - second period (Leopold, Taffe, Koalska)

## Individual

<b>GOALS/GAME</b>	(2) six times, last Jordan Leopold, 11/10 at North Dakota
<b>GOALS/PERIOD</b>	(2) three times, last Jordan Leopold, 11/10 at North Dakota - second period
<b>ASSISTS/GAME</b>	(4) Erik Westrum, 10/14 at Bemidji State
<b>ASSISTS/PERIOD</b>	(2) six times, last John Pohl, 11/10 at North Dakota - second period
<b>POINTS/GAME</b>	(5) Erik Westrum, 10/14 at Bemidji State
<b>POINTS/PERIOD</b>	(3) two times, last Jeff Taffe, 11/10 at North Dakota - second period
<b>PENALTIES/GAME</b>	(4) two times, last Matt DeMarchi, 11/4 vs. Wisconsin
<b>PIM/GAME</b>	(16) Matt DeMarchi, 11/4 vs. Wisconsin
<b>SHOTS ON GOAL/GAME</b>	(8) John Pohl, 11/3 vs. Wisconsin
<b>SAVES/GAME</b>	(36) Adam Hauser, 11/4 vs. Wisconsin

## Goal Breakdown

	MN	OPP
5-on-5	31	23
5-on-4	21	9
6-on-5	0	0
4-on-5	5	1
4-on-4	2	1
5-on-3	2	0
4-on-3	0	0
Power Play	23	9
Shorthanded	5	1
Empty Net	1	0
First Minute of Game	0	1
First 2 Minutes of Game	2	1
First 5 Minutes of Game	3	2
First 10 Minutes of Game	6	3
First Goal of Game	11	3
First Minute of Period	5	1
Last Minute of Period	2	1
Last Minute of Game	2	0
Last 5 Minutes of Game	5	2
To Tie Game - Last 5 Minutes	1	0
To Win Game - Last 5 Minutes	1	1
Unassisted	4	2
One Assist	26	12
Two Assists	30	20
Home	33	17
Road	21	15
Neutral	7	3
Overtime	0	0

### GOAL SCORED AFTER OPPONENTS' GOAL

	MN	OPP
Less Than One Minute	1	2
One To Three Minutes	3	3
Three To Five Minutes	1	1

## Stats By Class

	G-A--Pts	P/M	PP	SH	GW
Senior (5)	19-26--45	34/68	5	4	3
Junior (5)	16-28--44	30/68	7	0	1
Sophomore (7)	9-20--29	42/108	3	0	4
Freshman (5)	17-11--28	27/62	8	1	1

## Drafted Golden Gophers

Player	Organization
Matt DeMarchi	New Jersey
Adam Hauser	Edmonton
Matt Koalska	Nashville
Jordan Leopold	Calgary
Joey Martin	Chicago
Paul Martin	New Jersey
Aaron Miskovich	Colorado
Pat O'Leary	Phoenix
John Pohl	St. Louis
Grant Potulny	Ottawa
Troy Riddle	St. Louis
Jeff Taffe	St. Louis
Erik Wendell	Washington
Erik Westrum	Phoenix

## multiple-point games (season/career)

Player (Games)	Last Time	Record
Erik Westrum (6/32)	11/18/00 vs. SCSU (1g, 2a)	5-0-1/16-13-3
Jordan Leopold (5/12)	11/11/00 at North Dakota (1g, 1a)	3-1-1/6-5-2
John Pohl (3/23)	11/11/00 at North Dakota (2a)	2-0-1/16-6-1
Jeff Taffe (3/7)	11/11/00 at North Dakota (1g, 1a)	1-1-1/4-2-1
Matt Koalska (3/3)	11/4/00 vs. Wisconsin (1g, 1a)	3-0-0/3-0-0
Grant Potulny (3/3)	11/11/00 at North Dakota (1g, 1a)	2-0-1/2-0-1
Troy Riddle (2/2)	10/21/00 vs. UMD (1g, 1a)	2-0-0/2-0-0
Aaron Miskovich (2/15)	11/3/00 vs. Wisconsin (1g, 1a)	2-0-0/11-3-1
Dylan Mills (1/14)	11/4/00 vs. Wisconsin (2a)	1-0-0/10-4-0
Stuart Senden (1/5)	10/21/00 vs. UMD (2a)	1-0-0/3-2-0
Matt Leimbek (1/4)	10/28/00 vs. UAA (2g)	0-0-1/2-1-1
Nick Angell (1/3)	10/21/00 vs. UMD (1g, 1a)	1-0-0/2-1-0
Ben Tharp (1/3)	10/21/00 vs UMD (1g, 1a)	1-0-0/3-0-0
Nick Anthony (1/2)	10/14/00 at Bemidji State (2a)	1-0-0/2-0-0
Matt DeMarchi (1/2)	10/14/00 at Bemidji State (1g, 1a)	1-0-0/2-0-0
Erik Wendell (0/2)	3/12/99 vs. UAA (1g, 1a)	0-0-0/2-0-0
Mark Nenovich (0/1)	12/29/99 vs. Harvard (1g, 1a)	0-0-0/1-0-0
Pat O'Leary (0/1)	1/15/00 vs. DU (2g)	0-0-0/1-0-0

## multiple-goal games (season/career)

Player (Games)	Last Time	Record
Erik Westrum (2/11)	10/20/00 vs. UMD (2g)	2-0-0/5-5-1
John Pohl (1/4)	11/4/00 vs. Wisconsin (2g)	1-0-0/4-0-0
Grant Potulny (1/1)	10/14/00 at Bemidji State (2g)	1-0-0/1-0-0
Matt Leimbek (1/1)	10/28/00 vs. UAA (2g)	0-0-1/0-0-1
Troy Riddle (1/1)	10/14/00 at Bemidji State (2g)	1-0-0/1-0-0
Aaron Miskovich (0/4)	2/13/00 vs. CC (2g)	0-0-0/4-0-0
Jordan Leopold (1/3)	11/10/00 at North Dakota (2g)	0-1-0/1-2-0
Stuart Senden (0/2)	2/26/00 vs. WIS (2g)	0-0-0/1-1-0
Dylan Mills (0/1)	1/29/00 vs. MSU (2g)	0-0-0/0-1-0
Pat O'Leary (0/1)	1/15/00 vs. DU (2g)	0-0-0/1-0-0
Jeff Taffe (0/1)	1/29/00 vs. MSU (2g)	0-0-0/0-1-0

## Minnesota Goal Scorers

Opponent	Result	Goal Scorers
Notre Dame	W 7-3	Koalska, Potulny, Westrum (2), Taffe, Riddle, O'Leary
at Bemidji State	W 9-3	DeMarchi, Potulny (2), Westrum, Tharp, Riddle (2), Miskovich, Leopold
Minn.-Duluth	W 3-1	Westrum (2), Taffe
Minn.-Duluth	W 9-2	Riddle, Tharp, Angell, Koalska, Pohl, Leopold, Miskovich, Leimbek, Wendell
Alaska-Anchorage	W 2-1	Riddle, Westrum
Alaska-Anchorage	T 3-3	Leimbek (2), Riddle
Wisconsin	W 4-0	Miskovich, Wendell, Westrum, Pohl
Wisconsin	W 5-2	Westrum, Koalska, Miskovich, Pohl (2)
at North Dakota	L 5-7	Leopold, Taffe, Koalska, Leopold, Pohl
at North Dakota	T 5-5	Potulny (2), Taffe, Riddle, Leopold
at St. Cloud State	W 2-0	Riddle, Pohl
St. Cloud State	W 4-3	Pohl, Anthony, Westrum, Taffe
Michigan State	L 3-2	Senden, Miskovich
Michigan	L 4-1	Westrum

## Month-By-Month

No.	Player	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	Total
26	Nick Angell	1-2--3 (6)	0-1--1 (8)					1-3--4 (14)
16	Nick Anthony	0-4--4 (6)	1-1--1 (4)					1-5--6 (14)
19	Matt DeMarchi	1-3--4 (6)	0-1--1 (6)					1-4--5 (12)
1	Adam Hauser	5-0-1, 2.14, .889	4-3-1, 2.86, .911					9-3-2, 2.55, .904
12	Matt Koalska	2-2--4 (6)	2-1--3 (8)					4-3--7 (14)
28	Matt Leimbek	3-0--3 (3)	0-2--2 (8)					3-2--5 (11)
3	Jordan Leopold	2-7--9 (6)	3-7--10 (8)					5-14--19 (14)
10	Paul Martin	0-0--0 (6)	0-1--1 (8)					0-1--1 (14)
4	Dylan Mills	0-3--3 (6)	0-4--4 (8)					0-7--7 (14)
27	Aaron Miskovich	2-1--3 (6)	3-2--5 (8)					5-3--8 (14)
25	Pat O'Leary	1-0--1 (5)	0-2--2 (7)					1-2--2 (12)
9	John Pohl	1-5--6 (6)	6-4--10 (8)					7-9--16 (14)
18	Grant Potulny	3-2--5 (6)	2-1--3 (8)					5-3--8 (14)
21	Troy Riddle	6-1--7 (6)	2-1--3 (8)					8-2--10 (14)
15	Stuart Senden	0-2--2 (4)	1-0--1 (2)					1-2--2 (6)
22	Jeff Taffe	2-4--6 (6)	3-6--9 (8)					5-10--15 (14)
24	Ben Tharp	2-1--3 (6)	0-0--0 (5)					2-1--3 (11)
5	Jon Waibel	0-1--1 (6)	0-1--1 (8)					0-2--2 (14)
11	Erik Wendell	1-0--1 (6)	1-0--0 (3)					2-0--2 (9)
7	Erik Westrum	6-7--13 (6)	4-5--9 (8)					10-12--22 (14)

## fall signings announced

**Keith Ballard**, a 5'11", 200-pound defenseman from Baudette, Minn., is spending this season with the Omaha Lancers in the United States Hockey League. This season through 16 games with the Lancers, he leads the team in scoring with nine goals and 10 assists for 19 points. Ballard played last season in the United States Junior Development program in Ann Arbor, Mich. He had 12 goals and 21 assists in 58 games and led all defensemen in scoring.

**Mike Erickson** is a 6'2", 180-pound forward from Eden Prairie High School in Eden Prairie, Minn. Erickson was an All-State, All-Metro and All-Conference selection during his junior season. He led the State Class AA in scoring with 38 goals and 25 assists for 63 points. A two-year letterwinner and team MVP last year, Erickson has amassed career totals of 62 goals, 43 assists and 105 points. He is also the starting quarterback for the Eden Prairie football team which won the 2000 state title.

**Jake Fleming**, a 5'9", 170-pound center from Osseo, Minn., is spending this season with the Omaha Lancers in the United States Hockey League. He has tallied five goals and six assists through 15 games this season with the Lancers. Fleming played last season in the United States Junior Development program in Ann Arbor, Mich. He had nine goals and 18 assists, which ranked sixth on the team. Fleming also spent time with the team during the 1998-99 season.

**Garrett Smaagaard**, a 5'11", 165-pound forward from Eden Prairie High School in Eden Prairie, Minn., joins teammate Mike Erickson in signing with the Golden Gophers. Smaagaard earned All-Metro and All-Conference laurels during his junior campaign and tallied 22 goals and 36 assists for 58 points. A two-year letterwinner, he has career totals of 41 goals, 60 assists and 101 points. Smaagaard is also a starting defensive back and wide receiver for the Eden Prairie football team which finished the 2000 season unbeaten and won the state title.

**Barry Tallackson** is a 6'4", 192-pound forward from St. Paul, Minn., who is playing with the United States Junior Development program in Ann Arbor, Mich. He leads the team with 12 goals in 23 games this season. Tallackson has spent two years in Ann Arbor and tallied 14 goals and six assists in 53 games last season. He played at St. Paul Johnson as a sophomore.

**Travis Weber**, a 5'11", 205-pound goaltender from Hibbing, Minn., is playing with the United States Junior Development program. Last year, he posted a team-best 2.73 goals-against-average and .894 save percentage in Ann Arbor, Mich. This season, Weber was in goal as the team defeated then-sixth ranked Michigan State 6-4.

