



GOLDEN GOPHER MEN'S ATHLETICS

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THIS WEEK IN GOPHER SPORTS

Mon, March 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Basketball vs. Alabama-Birmingham NIT Second Round Williams Arena WCCO-AM (830) (Live) 7:05 p.m. 	Sun, March 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Gymnastics at Big Ten Championships Ann Arbor, Mich. 7 p.m. ✧ Wrestling at NCAA Championships Cleveland, Ohio Fox Sports Net (Tape Delayed) All Day
Thurs, March 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Wrestling at NCAA Championships Cleveland, Ohio Fox Sports Net (Tape Delayed) All Day 	Mon, March 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Golf at Georgia Tech Invitational Atlanta, Ga. All Day ✧ Tennis at South Alabama Mobile, Ala. 1 p.m.
Fri, March 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Wrestling at NCAA Championships Cleveland, Ohio Fox Sports Net (Tape Delayed) All Day 	Tues, March 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Golf at Georgia Tech Invitational Atlanta, Ga. All Day
Sat, March 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Gymnastics at Big Ten Championships Ann Arbor, Mich. 7 p.m. ✧ Wrestling at NCAA Championships Cleveland, Ohio Fox Sports Net (Tape Delayed) All Day 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p>OF NOTE...</p> <p>If the U of M basketball team wins Monday, it is not yet determined when or where the team will play. However, if they do win and host the next game, Clem Haskins' postgame comments will be available to the media via the Golden Gopher hotline following the game and all day the next day. All other scheduled appearances on the hotline will then shift back a day.</p> </div>	

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:

<p>Tuesday, March 17: Head Minnesota Basketball Coach CLEM HASKINS' postgame comments from the UAB game</p> <p>Wednesday, March 18: Head Wrestling Coach J ROBINSON previews the NCAA Championships.</p>	<p>Thursday, March 19: Head Gymnastics Coach FRED ROTHLSBERGER previews the Big Ten Championships.</p> <p>Friday, March 20: Head Baseball Coach JOHN ANDERSON talks about the Golden Gophers' successful season.</p>
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WEEKLY RELEASES

The University of Minnesota Men's Media Relations Office will be producing five separate releases during the 1997-98 academic year. Football, basketball, hockey and baseball information will be covered in sport-specific weekly releases, while information on "Olympic Sports" will appear each Monday in this release. Please refer any questions to the Men's Media Relations office at (612) 625-4090.

GOLF

THIS WEEK: The Golden Gopher men's golf team will compete March 23-24 at the Georgia Tech Invitational.

TEAM STATS

DATE	TOURNAMENT	SCORES	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	287/286/282	855/1st out of 12
Sept. 27-28	Northern Collegiate Invite	296/288/294	878/T-2nd out of 17
Oct. 6-7	Nike Northwest Classic	301/299/295	895/T-13th out of 22
Oct. 10-11	Coca-Cola Classic	289/300/291	880/2nd out of 21
Feb. 16-17	Bridges All-American	286/301	587/3rd out of 18
Feb. 23-24	Puerto Rico Classic	297/298/290	885/T-4th out of 15

INDIVIDUAL STATS

Rob Kerr

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	70/68/71	216	209/1st out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	74/65/71	216	210/1st out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	75/76/75	216	226/T-56th out of 110
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	73/79/70	216	222/T-19th out of 111
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	69/72	142	141/1st out of 90
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	76/73/72	216	221/T-17th out of 75
Rounds: 17 Strokes: 1229	Average: 72.3		

Jeff Barney

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	71/73/70	216	214/T-4th out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	79/78/75	216	232/T-53rd out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	78/76/74	216	228/T-70th out of 110
Rounds: 9 Strokes: 674	Average: 74.9		

Andy Komor

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	72/71/72	216	215/T-6th out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	74/73/76	216	223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	76/79/82	216	237/T-99th out of 110
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	74/74	142	148/T-18th out of 90
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	76/83/75	216	234/T-57th out of 75
Rounds: 14 Strokes: 1057	Average: 75.5		

Adam Dooley

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	74/77/70	216	221/T-28th out of 65
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	77/74/73	216	224/T-35th out of 111
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	72/79	142	151/T-35th out of 90
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	80/80/76	216	236/T-62nd out of 75
Rounds: 11 Strokes: 832	Average: 75.6		

Matt Burgess

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	76/76/71	216	223/T-37th out of 65
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	73/83/75	216	231/T-76th out of 111
Rounds: 6 Strokes: 454	Average: 75.7		

Justin Royer

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	72/77/69	216	218/T-15th out of 65
Rounds: 3 Strokes: 218	Average: 72.7		

Bob Brink

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	75/72/72	216	219/T-20th out of 65
Rounds: 3 Strokes: 219	Average: 73.0		

Bill Thompson

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	71/73/71	216	215/T-6th out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	76/72/75	216	223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	72/74/71	216	217/T-10th out of 110
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	71/73/76	216	220/T-13th out of 111
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	76/76	142	152/T-38th out of 90
Rounds: 14 Strokes: 1027	Average: 73.4		

James McLean

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	71/83	142	154/T-50th out of 90
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	73/73/68	216	214/5th out of 75
Rounds: 5 Strokes: 368	Average: 73.6		

Martin Le Mesurier

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	78/74/70	216	222/T-32nd out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	72/78/73	216	223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	79/73/75	216	227/T-59th out of 110
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	72/74/73	216	219/12th out of 111
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	72/72/75	216	219/T-11th out of 75
Rounds: 15 Strokes: 1110	Average: 74.0		

Santiago Fernandez

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	83/83/78	216	244/64th out of 65
Rounds: 3 Strokes: 244	Average: 81.3		

Note: * indicates that the golfer competed as an individual and the scores did not count towards the team score

GYMNASTICS

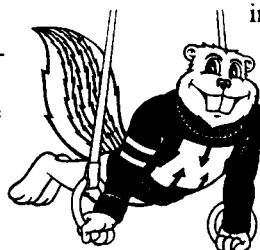
THIS WEEK: The No. 14 Golden Gophers compete at the Big Ten Championships this Friday and Saturday hosted by the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Mich.

LAST YEAR AT BIG TENS: Minnesota captured fourth place at the 1997 Big Ten Championships at the Sports Pavilion. Sophomore **LINDSEY FANG** (Allentown, Pa.) was the Gophers' highest individual finisher with a 9.500 on the vault, good for seventh place. In the all-around competition, Fang established career-highs with a 9.400 on the floor exercise and a 9.575 on the pommel horse as he finished in 15th place.

LAST ACTION: The Golden Gophers defeated No. 15 Illinois-Chicago, March 7, with a season-high score of 224.100 en route to capturing their first meet of the season. Minnesota's gymnasts established or tied 13 personal career-highs.

ROETHLISBERGER'S REIGN: Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger, in his 27th year at the helm, has led his team to 11 Big Ten Championships. In fact, his teams have never finished lower than fourth place.

THE NEWCOMERS: Several Golden Gopher newcomers will be competing in their first Big Ten Championship meet. Their improvement as the season has progressed has Coach Roethlisberger optimistic about this weekend's competition.



Sophomore **RYAN WINTERBOURNE** (Anaheim, Calif.) has been a bright spot on the still rings. He has posted the team's three highest scores in the event, including a 9.500 against Illinois, February 7. Freshman walk-on **BOB GOSS** (Kenosha, Wis.) has set five career-highs in his past two meets. Against Illinois-Chicago, Goss captured second place with a 9.575 on the vault.

POMMEL DOMINATION: Minnesota's best event is the pommel horse. The Golden Gophers are ranked fourth in the country in that event, trailing Nebraska, Iowa and California. The Golden Gophers defeated the Cornhuskers and Hawkeyes on the pommel horse two weeks ago. Leading the way this season are senior co-captain **GEORGE BEATTY** (Aberdeen, N.J.) and junior **JASON KROB** (St. Charles, Mo.). Against Illinois-Chicago, Beatty scored a career-high 9.775 en route to the event title. Beatty has four first-place, one second-place and one third-place finishes. Krob has two first-place and four second-place finishes this season.

INJURY FRONT: The Golden Gophers have been hampered by a rash of injuries to key contributors. **DAN BOOTS** (Pearland, Texas), **TODD GUILBEAU** (Houston, Texas) and **BOB HUBBARD** (Phoenix, Ariz.) have all been sidelined with season-ending injuries.

SCOREBOARD

1998 MEN'S GYMNASTICS SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site/Result
Jan. 10	Alumni Meet	* L 213.90-221.85
Jan. 17	Windy City Invitational	7th/213.85
Jan. 31	Ohio State	L 217.95-226.35
Feb. 7	Illinois	L 221.070-216.550
Feb. 13	Michigan State	L 221.75-228.425
Feb. 14	Michigan	L 222.575-226.85
Feb. 27	Nebraska	L 221.275-229.575
Mar. 1	Iowa	L 222-90-226.40
Mar. 7	Illinois-Chicago	W 224.100-220.800
Mar. 20-21	Big Ten Championships	Ann Arbor, Mich.
April 4	NCAA East Regionals	Amherst, Mass.
April 16-18	NCAA Championships	University Park, Pa.

*Exhibition

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NCAA EAST REGIONAL: The NCAA East Regionals are set for April 4 in Amherst, Mass. The top six teams in the region qualify for the competition. As of last week's rankings, Minnesota is currently ninth in the region.

East Regional Rankings (as of March 9):

1. Iowa	229.025
2. Ohio State	228.950
3. Penn State	228.160
4. Michigan	227.250
5. Michigan State	226.833
6. Illinois	226.695
7. Massachusetts	226.133
8. Temple	224.742
9. Minnesota	222.808
10. Illinois-Chicago	221.892

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS: The Golden Gophers are looking to get back to the NCAA Championships in University Park, Pa., April 16-18, for the first time since 1993. Minnesota last qualified for the championships in 1993 and finished in fifth place.

SWIMMING & DIVING

THIS WEEK: The Golden Gopher (7-1 overall, 3-1 Big Ten) swimmers and divers will rest and prepare for the NCAA Championships, March 26-28 in Auburn, Ala.

TAKE THE PLUNGE: Freshman **DAN CROASTON** (Champlin, Minn.) competed on all three boards at the NCAA Diving Zones, Friday and Saturday, March 13-14 in Oxford, Ohio. Croaston took 13th on the 3-meter springboard with 400.95 points, sixth on the 1-meter springboard with 436.10 points, and sixth on the platform with 402.70 points.

The diving zones qualify divers for the NCAA Championship field of 35. Zone C is allowed six qualifying divers. Qualifying for the NCAAs are: Mike Collier, Indiana; Mike McIntyre, Ohio State; Tom Davidson, Indiana; David Garrow, Ball State; Brett Wilmot, Michigan and Simon Chrisander, Iowa.

A FEW GOOD MEN: Minnesota qualified 14 swimmers for the NCAA Championships next weekend. It is the largest number of qualifiers for the championships the Golden Gophers have ever had. Each swimmer who qualified will compete individually, along with those selected to compete with the five qualifying relays. The 14 swimmers also represent the third largest group of qualifiers in the NCAA Championships field. Stanford leads the bunch with 16 swimmers, followed by



Auburn and Texas with 15 swimmers each. Minnesota is tied with Tennessee with 14 qualifiers. Michigan is the next Big Ten team behind the Golden Gophers with 10 qualifying swimmers.

MEETING THE STANDARD: The Golden Gophers have had 29 NCAA consideration times posted this season along with nine NCAA automatic times. Senior **TY BATHURST** (Albuquerque, N.M.) automatically qualified in the 50-yard freestyle, juniors **JOHN CAHOY** (Hudson, Wis.) and **MARTIN ZIELINSKI** (Bloomington, Minn.) automatically qualified in the 100-yard butterfly, sophomore **YOAV MEIRI** (Jerusalem, Israel) automatically qualified in the 200-yard butterfly, and freshman **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil) automatically qualified in the 100-yard and 200-yard backstroke nad 200-yard freestyle. Additionally, freshman **BRANDON SCHINDLER** (Saratoga, Calif.), junior **LUIS LOPEZ** (Aurora, Colo.) and seniors **ERIEK HULSEMAN** (Edina, Minn.) and **JEREMY RIENTS** (Apple Valley, Minn.) automatically qualified for the NCAAs because of their participation on qualifying relay teams. The nine swimmers have also swam a combined 18 consideration times. Because they qualified automatically, the swimmers can compete in their consideration events as well. A swimmer can not, however, swim in more than seven events.

SCOREBOARD

1998 Big Ten Champions
OVERALL RECORD: 7-1; BIG TEN RECORD: 3-1
TOP INDIVIDUAL EVENT TIMES
(1997-98)

50 FREE — 19.80!*[^], Ty Bathurst (prelim, Big Tens)
100 FREE — 44.03**[^], John Cahoy (2nd, Big Tens)
200 FREE — 1:38.88[^], Jeremy Rients (9th, Big Tens)
500 FREE — 4:24.72[^], Bill Bishop (5th, Big Tens)
1000 FREE — 9:21.53, Bill Bishop (1st, vs. UNC)
1650 FREE — 15:18.50[^], Bill Bishop (4th, Big Tens)
100 BACK — 47.42!*#⁺, Alex Massura (2nd, Big Tens)
200 BACK — 1:43.57*!#⁺, Alex Massura (2nd, Big Tens)
100 BREAST — 55.03*[^], Ty Bathurst (prelim, Big Tens)
200 BREAST — 2:02.55*, Oscar Godoi (prelim, Big Tens)
100 FLY — 47.10!, Martin Zielinski (prelim, Big Tens)
200 FLY — 1:47.44[^], Martin Zielinski (2nd, Big Tens)
200 IM — 1:48.55[^]*, Alex Massura (prelim, Big Tens)
400 IM — 3:50.99[^]*, Bill Bishop (2nd, Big Tens)

* personal best
[^] NCAA consideration
! NCAA automatic
⁺ Minnesota Varsity Record
[#] Minnesota Freshman Record

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RECORDS, RECORDS, RECORDS:

A total of 12 records were set at the Big Ten Championships. Minnesota freshman **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil) was a part of six of those. Massura, who took second in the 100-yard and 200-yard backstroke, set Minnesota school and freshman records in both backstroke events and swam with the 400-yard medley relay and 400-yard freestyle relay teams. Junior **MARTIN ZIELINSKI** (Bloomington, Minn.) and senior **JEREMY RIENTS** (Apple Valley, Minn.) each were a part of both the 400-yard medley record-setting team, while Zielinski set a record with the 200-yard medley team and Rients set another mark with the 400-yard freestyle relay.

COACH'S CALL: Head Coach Dennis Dale was rewarded for preparing his team so well with his third Big Ten Coach of the Year distinction. Dale also won in 1989 and 1996.

TENNIS

THIS WEEK: The 46th-ranked Golden Gophers (4-5 overall; 1-1 Big Ten) face South Alabama Monday, March 23 in Mobile, Ala., at 1 p.m.

AGAINST SOUTH ALABAMA: Thirty-third ranked South Alabama holds the 2-1 series advantage over the Golden Gophers. Last season Minnesota defeated South Alabama 4-3, but suffered a 4-0 defeat this year at the H.E.B. Classic March 7. The U of M lost two of three doubles matches and three singles matches. The other matches did not finish.

LAST ACTION: The Golden Gophers won their opening match of the H.E.B. Classic March 6-8, with a 4-1 won over Baylor. Minnesota then lost three straight matches to South Alabama 4-0, Tulane 4-2 and UNLV 4-1. Only freshman **JON SVENSSON** (Kristianstad, Sweden) and junior **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** (Portsgrunn, Norway) came away unscathed as the pair won every singles match they played.

GOOSE EGG: Freshman **JON SVENSSON** and junior **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** are the only two U of M players with undefeated dual match records. Svensson is 5-0 at No. 6 singles, and has two wins at No. 5 and one win at No. 2 singles. Kristoffersen, seventh in the singles lineup, holds a 2-0 record at No. 6 singles.

MILESTONES: Junior **TOM CHICOINE** (Neenah, Wis.) is five wins from his 75th career singles victory. Chicoine currently has 70 career singles wins, leading all active Golden Gophers. Additionally, Chicoine's 43 career doubles wins are seven shy of 50 career doubles wins.

Selkirk is fast approaching 50 career singles wins, as he is just three victories shy of the mark (47). Only a sophomore, **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** (Ottawa, Canada) already has 35 singles wins for his career.

Head Coach **DAVID GEATZ** earned the 300th victory of his coaching career with a 5-2 win over his alma mater, New Mexico, Jan. 16. Geatz currently has 182 wins in his 10th season with Minnesota and is 303-141 during his 14-plus years of coaching.

The program itself holds a 661-423-3 overall record in 51 seasons.



DOUBLE FIGURES: Minnesota's starting lineup features five of its six singles players with double digits in the win column. **TOM CHICOINE** carries a 15-12 record, followed by freshman **JORGE DUENAS** (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic) who holds a 14-12 record. **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** also carries a 14-10 record, while fellow Canadian countryman freshman **TYSON PARRY** (Chatham, Ontario) brings an 12-12 record to the court. Freshman **JON SVENSSON** is 14-8.

SCOREBOARD

Singles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Tom Chicoine	15-12	2-7	13-5	2-7					
Adam Selkirk	6-14	2-5	4-9		2-4	0-1			
M. Michalowski	14-10	2-4	12-6		1-0	1-4			
Jorge Duenas	14-12	2-5	12-7			1-2	1-3		
Tyson Parry	12-12	4-4	8-8				1-1	3-2	
Jon Svensson	14-8	8-0	6-8		1-0		1-0	2-0	4-0
M. Kristoffersen	8-7	2-0	6-7						2-0
Ed Marques	2-8		2-8						
Voke Okoh	0-2		0-2						

Doubles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3
Michalowski/Parry	12-8	1-5	11-3	1-5		
Chicoine/Duenas	8-9	3-3	5-6		3-3	
Duenas/Svensson	1-0	1-0	0-0		1-0	
Kristoffersen/Selkirk	1-0	1-0	0-0			1-0
Selkirk/Svensson	7-4	3-1	4-3			3-1
Kristoffersen/Svensson	3-1	1-0	2-1			1-0
Kristoffersen/Parry	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1		
Marques/Dvorak	1-1		1-1			
Marques/Okoh	1-1		1-1			

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DOUBLE TROUBLE: Minnesota has won the doubles competition in four out the seven matches the team has competed in, sweeping all three matches from regional foe and powerhouse Notre Dame.

Additionally, the Golden Gophers No. 1 doubles team of **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** and **TYSON PARRY** (Chatham, Ontario) is ranked 36th in the nation.

UNDER PRESSURE: Freshman **TYSON PARRY** (Chatham, Ontario) proved he is ready to compete at the collegiate level after leading the Golden Gophers to a 4-3 upset of No. 24 Kansas Saturday, Feb. 14. Parry's No. 5 singles match was the decisive point for Minnesota who had won the doubles point against the Jayhawks and were down in the singles matches, 3-2. Whoever won at No. 5 would take the match. Fittingly it came down to two freshman, Parry and Jayhawk Ed Dus. Parry battled through the first set, taking it 7-6 with a 9-7 tie break. Parry dropped the second set 5-7, but bounced back to win the third and final set 6-2.

TRACK & FIELD

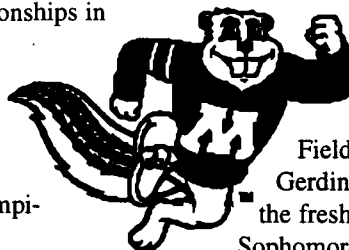
THIS WEEK: Minnesota concluded its indoor season with the NCAA Championships, Friday and Saturday, March 13-14. The outdoor season opens with the Arizona State Invitational in Tempe, Ariz., March 27-28.

ANOTHER FIRST: University of Minnesota junior **VESA RANTANEN** (Virrat, Finland) became the first Golden Gopher indoor track and field NCAA champion since 1993 when he won the pole vault Friday night at the NCAA Championships in Indianapolis. Rantanen tied a U of M school-record with a vault of 18-2 1/2 (5.55m). Rantanen's height actually tied five other athletes' heights, but he won because of fewer missed attempts. Pole vaulter **Martin Eriksson** was the Golden Gophers' last NCAA indoor champion when he vaulted 18-0 1/2 in 1993.

Rantanen, who placed sixth at last season's NCAA outdoor meet, tied senior **TYE HARVEY'S** (Jamestown, Calif.) record which placed Harvey second at last year's NCAA indoor championship. Harvey finished 12th this year with a height of 17-4 1/2 (5.30m).

Also competing for Minnesota was sophomore **STAFFAN STRAND** (Uppsland-Vasby, Sweden). Strand took fourth in the high jump with a leap of 7-3 3/4 (2.23m). He finished second at last season's indoor championships with a height of 7-5.

Minnesota, which only qualified three athletes, finished the



NCAA Championships with 15 points which stood fifth after one day of competition and placed the team tied for 14th with North Carolina and Nebraska after the championships were complete.

FOR THE RECORD: Minnesota broke or tied a total of five records over the course of the season. **VESA RANTANEN** was the latest athlete to set a school mark.

To start the year, freshman **TOM GERDING** (Waconia, Minn.) had established a new Minnesota freshman time in both the 400-meter and 600-meter dash. Gerding then broke his previous record with a freshman-best time of 1:16.19 in the 600-meter dash at the Big Ten Championships. In the trials Saturday, Gerding smashed both his record and the Lambert Field House record, posting a time of 1:19.09.

Gerding's record would later be broken in the finals, but the freshman would take fourth with a time of 1:19.60.

Sophomore **STAFFAN STRAND** won his second consecutive high jump title, tying his Big Ten meet record from a year ago of 7-4 1/2 (2.25m). Junior **BENJAMIN JENSEN** (Mandal, Norway) also broke his own school and Big Ten mark in the heptathlon, winning the event for the second straight year with 5,769 points.

Senior **NILES DENEEN** (St. Paul, Minn.) ran his school-record time of 7.31 four times this year in the 55-meter hurdles.

SCOREBOARD

TOP INDOOR PERFORMANCES

55m Dash -- Fred Rodgers, 6.33 (1/31)
60m Dash -- Fred Rodgers, 6.53 (2/13)
55m Hurdles -- Niles Deneen, 7.31* & \$ (1/31, 2/13)
60m Hurdles -- Benjamin Jensen, 8.03 (2/13)
200m Dash -- Fred Rodgers, 22.03 (2/28)
400m Dash -- Tom Gerding, 47.91\$# (2/7)
500m Dash -- Adam Freed, 1:05.90 (2/13)
600m Dash -- Scott Beadle, 1:18.93 (2/28)
800m Run -- Jason Owen, 1:52.02 (2/28)
Mile Run -- Sami Valtonen, 4:06.58 (2/7)
3,000m Run -- Nate Clay, 8:28.63 (2/27)
5,000m Run -- Tony Riter, 14:31.18 (2/28)
High Jump -- Staffan Strand, 7-6 1/2 (2.30)! & @ ^ \$ (1/24)
Pole Vault -- Vesa Rantanen, 18-2 1/2 (5.55m)! & \$ (3/13)
Long Jump -- Marcus Westberry, 23-7 1/4 (7.19m) (2/27)
Triple Jump -- Marcus Westberry, 49-3 (15.01) (2/27)
Shot Put -- Chad Yanchesky, 59-4 1/4 (18.08m)* \$ (1/24)
Weight Throw -- Ben Meyer, 54-10 (16.71m) (2/13)
Pentathlon -- Jesse Madsen%, 3,289 (1/24)
Heptathlon -- Benjamin Jensen, 5,769 (2/28)

Key:

* NCAA Provisional

! NCAA Automatic

& Minnesota School Record

@ Field House Record

^ Big Ten Record

\$ Personal Best

U of M Freshman Record

GOPHER FLASHES

IT'S A FIRST!: The University of Minnesota took home its first Big Ten Indoor Championship at Purdue University, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 28-March 1. The Golden Gophers upended three-time defending champion Wisconsin on the strength of two individual event titles.

Minnesota earned points in all but two events, one of which had no Golden Gopher entries.

The Golden Gophers, who had not won a Big Ten track and field title since the outdoor team won in 1968, finished 14 points ahead of the Badgers.

BACK-TO-BACK: The men's track and field team added an extra-special punch to the weekend with its Big Ten Championship. Saturday night the men's swimming and diving team captured its second Big Ten crown of the 1990s, and less than 24 hours later the track and field team brought another Big Ten Championship home to Minneapolis. The double whammy marked the first time since 1995 that two Big Ten Championships were won in the same year. The two championships within one sports season had not been done since 1992, but remarkably it was not the first time two Big Ten titles were won in one weekend. In 1982 the men's basketball team captured the outright Big Ten title on March 6 with a 87-75 win over Ohio State. On March 7, the men's gymnastics team won the Big Ten title in Wisconsin by a margin of .90 points.

WRESTLING

THIS WEEK: Nine Golden Gophers travel to the NCAA Championships, which will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, Thursday-Saturday, March 19-21. Hosted by Cleveland State University, the NCAA meet will be held in the Convocation Center. Based on calculations from InterMat/W.I.N., the Golden Gophers are projected to finish third behind Oklahoma State and Iowa.

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS LINEUP:

118 - **BRANDON PAULSON** (Sr., Coon Rapids, Minn.)
 134 - **TROY MARR** (Jr., Wyoming, Minn.)
 142 - **JASON DAVIDS** (Sr., Forest Lake, Minn.)
 150 - **CHAD KRAFT** (Jr., Lakefield, Minn.)
 158 - **JOSH HOLIDAY** (Jr., Anaheim, Calif.)
 167 - **ZAC TAYLOR** (Sr., Sandpoint, Idaho)
 177 - **BRANDON EGGUM** (So., Sidney, Mont.)
 190 - **TIM HARTUNG** (Jr., Durand, Wis.)
 Hwt - **SHELTON BENJAMIN** (Sr., Orangeburg, S.C.)

LAST YEAR AT NCAAS: Minnesota matched its best finish with a third-place showing at the 1997 NCAA Championships. The only other times Minnesota had finished as high as third were in 1937 and 1941. Last year all 10 starters qualified for the national meet, a school record, and Minnesota returned from the NCAAs with a school-best five All-Americans, led by two-time All-Americans **JASON DAVIDS** (third at 142) and **CHAD KRAFT** (third at 150). First-time All-Americans for the Golden Gophers were **SHELTON**

BENJAMIN (fifth at Hwt), **PAT CONNORS** (Jr., Longview, Wash., eighth at 126) and **TIM HARTUNG** (third at 190). The last Golden Gopher to win an NCAA title was current assistant head coach **MARTY MORGAN** who captured the 177-pound national crown in 1991. Minnesota has won nine NCAA titles during the history of the wrestling program.

MINNESOTA SETTLES FOR THIRD AT BIG TENS:

Minnesota battled to a disappointing third-place finish at this year's Big Ten Championships hosted by Penn State University March 7-8 in the Bryce Jordan Center. With 107 team points, the Golden Gophers trailed Iowa, which won its 25th consecutive conference title with 120.5 points, and host Penn State, which finished second with 116.5. Iowa crowned three individual championships and Michigan had two.



HARTUNG DEFENDS BIG TEN TITLE:

Junior **TIM HARTUNG**, ranked No. 2 in the nation at 190 pounds, won his second straight Big Ten title with a 3-1 sudden-death decision over Iowa's Lee Fullhart. It was No. 1-seeded Hartung's second win of the season against Fullhart. Last season, Hartung won the Golden Gophers' only Big Ten title with a 3-1 overtime decision over Michigan State's defending champion Brian Picklo. With his 190-pound title, Hartung becomes the first Golden Gopher since Marty Morgan to win back-to-back conference titles. Morgan captured 177-pound crowns in 1990 and 1991.

SCOREBOARD

TOP INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Wt.	Name	Overall	Total	Dual	Big Ten	Pins
118	Brett Lawrence	16-10	16-10	11-9	2-5	3
	Leroy Vega	11-2	11-2	0-0	0-0	1
	Julio Alaniz	6-4	6-4	0-0	0-0	0
	Brandon Paulson	4-2	4-2	1-0	1-0	1
126	Bart Golyer	20-8	19-7	9-4	3-4	7
	Pat Connors	17-4	9-4	5-3	1-0	4
134	Chad Erikson	11-3	11-3	0-0	0-0	3
	Ty Friederichs	11-7	11-7	0-0	0-0	1
	Pat Connors		8-0	4-0	0-0	3
	Bart Golyer		1-1	1-1	0-0	0
	Josh Krebs	11-6	11-6	2-1	0-0	3
	Troy Marr	28-9	14-7	8-4	5-3	2
142	Jason Davids	32-3	32-3	19-2	6-2	15
	Joe Calavitta	8-2	8-2	0-0	0-0	2
	Troy Marr		14-1	0-0	0-0	0
150	Chad Kraft	22-2	21-2	17-1	6-1	2
	Brad Pike	15-5	15-5	0-2	0-1	3
	Eddie Pak	5-6	5-6	0-0	0-0	0
	Troy Marr		0-1	0-1	0-0	0
158	Tim Kinsella	13-2	13-2	1-0	0-0	1
	Jesse Krebs	6-5	6-5	0-1	0-0	0
	Josh Holiday	29-3	29-3	16-2	6-1	4
	Chad Kraft		1-0	1-0	1-0	0
167	Delaney Berger	18-2	16-1	2-0	0-0	2
	Zac Taylor	29-8	29-8	15-4	5-3	7
	Mike Cuperus	14-2	14-2	0-0	0-0	5
	Matt Kraft	6-2	6-2	0-0	0-0	0
177	Brandon Eggum	24-4	24-4	14-2	1-2	6
	Kenneth Howard	3-3	3-3	0-0	0-0	1
	Delaney Berger		3-1	3-1	3-1	1
190	Tim Hartung	31-1	31-1	20-1	8-0	19
	Owen Elzen	7-4	7-4	0-0	0-0	4
HWT	Shelton Benjamin	30-5	30-5	16-3	7-1	10
	Brent Boeshans	13-4	13-4	2-0	0-0	1

GOPHER FLASHES

LATEST RANKINGS: Individually, All-American and defending Big Ten champion **TIM HARTUNG** is the highest-ranked Golden Gopher in the March 10 InterMat/W.I.N. rankings. Hartung is ranked second at 190 pounds.

Junior **CHAD KRAFT**, a two-time All-American who took third at the NCAAs last year, is ranked third at 150 pounds after a tough loss to Penn State's then No. 3-ranked Clint Musser three weeks ago. Senior **JASON DAVIDS** moved to third in the latest rankings at 142 pounds after holding the top spot for much of the year. Senior All-American **SHELTON BENJAMIN** is ranked third at heavyweight after finishing second at the Big Ten championships.

Other ranked Minnesota wrestlers include junior **TROY MARR** who is the 17th-ranked wrestler at 134, senior **ZAC TAYLOR**, 10th at 167, junior **JOSH HOLIDAY**, seventh at 158 and sophomore **BRANDON EGGUM**, 14th at 177. Senior **BRANDON PAULSON** made his first appearance of the season two weeks ago and is listed as the nation's 18th-best wrestler at 118 pounds.

WRESTLING

NINE GOLDEN GOPHERS QUALIFY FOR

NCAAS: Hartung and eight other Golden Gophers qualified for the NCAA Championships in Cleveland with their performances at the Big Ten Championships. The top seven placemen in each weight class and a wildcard selection by the coaches advance to the national tournament.

Seniors **JASON DAVIDS** and **SHELTON BENJAMIN** each made it to the championship finals in their weight classes but had to settle for second. Davids, the No. 2 seed at 142, pounds, matched his finish from one season ago, losing to Iowa's No. 1 seed Jeff McGinness in a 6-0 decision. Benjamin, the No. 1 seed at heavyweight, improved on his sixth-place showing last year, taking second after a 5-3 loss to Michigan's No. 2 seeded Airron Richardson in the finals.

Two Golden Gophers placed third with their performances at Big Tens. Junior **CHAD KRAFT** took third with a 6-2 win over Wisconsin's Don Pritzlaff. Kraft, the No. 3 seed in a bracket that had the nation's top three wrestlers at 150 pounds, earned a bye in the first round of the tournament and defeated No. 6 Mickey Griffin of Purdue 6-2. In the semifinals, Kraft was dealt his only loss of the tournament in a 2-1 double overtime loss to Penn State's Clint Musser, the No. 2 seed and second-ranked wrestler in the country.

Junior **JOSH HOLIDAY** entered the tournament as the No. 1 seed at 158 pounds but lost his first match in the quarterfinals to drop to the consolation rounds. He rebounded with three wins before decisioning Michigan State's Greg DeGrand 8-5 to place third.

Sophomore **BRANDON EGGUM**, the No. 4 seed at 177, took fourth after a double-overtime 6-2 loss to Illinois' Jevon Herman, the No. 1 seed, in the semifinals dropped him to the consolation bracket. Eggum lost to Penn State's Rob Neidlinger 3-2 in a tough third-place match to finish fourth. Senior **ZAC TAYLOR**, seeded fourth at 167 pounds, took sixth with a 5-4 loss to Michigan State's Will Hill in the consolation finals.

Senior **BRANDON PAULSON** and junior **TROY MARR** each took seventh. Paulson returned to the mat after nearly a year, winning his first match of the tournament before dropping to the consolation bracket. Paulson pinned Michigan's Chris Viola in 6:30 to take seventh. Marr decisioned Purdue's Eric Kerkhof 4-0 in the consolation finals to finish seventh.

Junior **BART GOLYER** (Cedar, Minn.) was the only Golden Gopher who did not qualify for NCAAs. Golyer had one of the toughest draws in the tournament, facing No. 1 Eric Jetton of Wisconsin in the first round and the No. 2 seed Carl Perry of Illinois in the consolation first round.

DAVIDS IS SCHOOL RECORD HOLDER IN

DUAL-MEET WINS: Two-time All-American **JASON DAVIDS** became the all-time school record in Purdue, Feb. 22. Davids finished 19-2 in dual action this season and 79-12-0 for his career. He tied former Golden Gopher Willy Short (1989-1994) with 78 career dual meet victorys after 16-7 maj. dec. over Northwestern's Malik Elliot on Feb. 20. Davids then decisioned No. 4 Willie Wineberg 6-1 of Purdue to take the record two days later. Willy Short finished his career with a 78-18-2 mark in dual-meet action.

On pace to have his third consecutive 30-win season, Davids is also nearing the top of school lists for all-time career victories and pins. With three wins at Big Tens, he moved into a tie for third with Tim Harris (127-47-0/1991-95) in career wins with a 127-25-0 record and in third place for career pins with 36.

DENTING THE RECORD BOOK: Several other Golden Gophers are also climbing their way into Minnesota's record book. Senior **ZAC TAYLOR** is currently seventh all time

with a career record of 116-32-0.

In just three seasons, juniors **TIM HARTUNG** and **CHAD KRAFT** have also moved their way into the Golden Gopher record book. Hartung is tied for 15th place with a career mark of 89-21-0. Kraft is now tied for 18th with a career mark of 82-18-0. Hartung is also nearing the top of the school list for career pins. He is currently in third with 35 career wins by fall, including a team-leading 19 this season.

With his return on Feb. 20, senior **BRANDON PAULSON** is also moving up the ladder. Currently, he is tied with Kraft for 18th all time with an 82-32-0 career mark.

MINNESOTA SETS SCHOOL MARK FOR

ATTENDANCE: The Golden Gophers set a school record this year when 11,284 fans turned out to watch Iowa defeat Minnesota 20-12 on Jan. 23. The attendance mark surpasses the old record set Feb. 3, 1980, when 9,225 fans watched Iowa State defeat the Golden Gophers 19-18 at Williams Arena. The NCAA record for attendance at a dual meet was set Feb. 22, 1992, when 15,291 fans watched Iowa defeat Iowa State 29-8 at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City.

MINNESOTA SLIPS TO FOURTH IN NATION-

AL POLLS: The Golden Gophers finished the season ranked fourth in the final *NWCA/Amateur Wrestling News* rankings for the fourth consecutive week. It is also the lowest ranking for the Golden Gophers which started the season in third and moved to second on Jan. 8. The team spent three weeks in second and two in third before slipping to fourth on Feb. 12.

EIGHT 20-MATCH WINNERS IN LINEUP:

Eight Golden Gophers in the starting lineup have won at least 20 matches this season. Senior **JASON DAVIDS** (142) leads the team with a 32-3 record. Junior **TIM HARTUNG** (190) is second on the team at 31-1, and senior **SHELTON BENJAMIN** (HWT) is third at 30-5. Other 20-match winners include junior **TROY MARR** (134) at 28-9, senior **ZAC TAYLOR** (167) at 29-8, junior **JOSH HOLIDAY** at 29-3, sophomore **BRANDON EGGUM** (177) at 24-4 and junior **CHAD KRAFT** (150) at 22-2.



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MEN'S GYMNASTICS TEAM FINISHES SEVENTH AT BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team finished seventh in the team competition at the Big Ten Men's Gymnastics Championships Friday night in Ann Arbor, Mich. The Golden Gophers finished with a team total of 222.225. Iowa won the team competition with a team total of 230.525, followed by Penn State (229.975) and two-time defending champion Ohio State (228.00).

Sophomore Lindsey Fang, the Golden Gophers' lone competitor in the all-around, took seventh with a career-high 56.475. Fang, who finished 15th last year as a freshman, was bolstered by a personal-best 9.575 on the horizontal bar. Penn State junior Mike Dutka, unranked nationally in the all-around, captured first place with a score of 58.350.

Junior Jason Krob was Minnesota's lone qualifier for tomorrow's event finals. Krob finished in eighth place on the pommel horse with a 9.650. The top eight gymnasts in each event on Friday qualify for the event finals Saturday.

The Big Ten Men's Gymnastics Championships will conclude Saturday with the individual event competition. The session starts at 6 p.m. in Ann Arbor, Mich.

1998 Big Ten Men's Gymnastics Championships
Team and All-Around Competition
Hosted by the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Team	FX	PH	SR	V	PB	HB	Total
1. Iowa	38.575	38.325	38.100	38.175	38.850	38.500	230.525
2. Penn State	38.600	38.725	38.400	38.750	37.900	37.600	229.975
3. Ohio State	38.550	38.100	37.850	38.300	38.650	38.150	229.600
4. Michigan St.	38.600	37.675	37.150	38.900	38.050	37.600	227.975
5. Illinois	38.175	37.500	37.225	38.625	38.150	37.900	227.575
6. Michigan	38.300	36.550	36.950	39.000	38.000	37.825	226.625
7. Minnesota	36.950	38.150	35.850	37.450	36.550	37.275	222.225

All-Around	FX	PH	SR	V	PB	HB	Total
1. Mike Dutka (PSU)	9.90	9.85	9.55	9.85	9.55	9.65	58.35
2. Travis Romagnoli (ILL)	9.70	9.70	9.775	9.80	9.65	9.65	58.275
3. Todd Strada (IOWA)	9.525	9.775	9.50	9.50	9.70	9.65	57.65
4. Doug Stibel (OSU)	9.55	9.40	9.55	9.45	9.55	9.90	57.40
5. Mike Morgan (OSU)	9.725	9.55	9.20	9.50	9.65	9.65	57.275
6. Roy Malka (PSU)	9.45	9.70	9.55	9.20	9.50	9.60	57.00
7. Lindsey Fang (MINN)	9.25	9.50	9.40	9.65	9.10	9.575	56.475
Kevin Roulston (ILL)	9.50	9.25	9.10	9.725	9.60	9.30	56.475



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THIS WEEK IN GOPHER SPORTS

Tues, March 24	☐ Baseball	vs. Northern Iowa Metrodome 1:30 p.m.	Fri, March 27	☐ Swimming & Diving	at NCAA Championships Auburn, Ala. All Day
	☐ Baseball	vs. UW-Milwaukee Metrodome 6:30 p.m.		☐ Tennis	vs. Penn State 98th Street 6 p.m.
	☐ Basketball	vs. Fresno State NIT Semifinals New York, N.Y. ESPN (live) WCCO-AM (830) 6 p.m.		☐ Track & Field	at ASU Invitational Tempe, Ariz. All Day
Wed, March 25	☐ Golf	at Georgia Tech Invitational Atlanta, Ga. All Day	Sat, March 28	☐ Baseball	vs. Purdue (2) Metrodome KKMS-AM (980) (live) 6:30 p.m.
	☐ Baseball	vs. UW-Milwaukee Metrodome 6:30 p.m.		☐ Golf	at Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate Denton, Texas All Day
Thurs, March 26	☐ Tennis	at Tulane New Orleans, La. 1 p.m.		☐ Swimming & Diving	at NCAA Championships Auburn, Ala. All Day
	☐ Basketball	vs. TBA NIT Touranment New York, N.Y. TV TBA WCCO-AM (830) TBA		☐ Tennis	vs. Indiana State 98th Street 6 p.m.
Fri, March 27	☐ Swimming & Diving	at NCAA Championships Auburn, Ala. All Day	☐ Track & Field	at ASU Invitational Tempe, Ariz. All Day	
	☐ Baseball	vs. Purdue Metrodome KKMS-AM (980) (TD) 6:30 p.m.	☐ Baseball	vs. Purdue Metrodome MSC (live) KKMS-AM (980) (live) 1 p.m.	
			Sun, March 29	☐ Golf	at Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate Denton, Texas All Day

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, March 24:

Head Minnesota Baseball Coach **JOHN ANDERSON** previews the Big Ten season.

Wednesday, March 25:

Head Swimming and Diving Coach **DENNIS DALE** previews the NCAA Championships.

Thursday, March 26:

Senior outfielder **MARK GROEBNER** previews the Big Ten season.

Friday, March 27:

Junior outfielder **ROBB QUINLAN** previews the Big Ten season.

GOLF

THIS WEEK: The Golden Gopher men's golf team resumes their schedule this week with two tournaments. Minnesota will be at the Cuscowilla Intercollegiate on Monday and Tuesday before travelling to the Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate on Saturday and Sunday.

TOURNEY INFORMATION:

Event: 1998 Cuscowilla Intercollegiate (First Annual)
Site: The Golf Club at Cuscowilla
Dates: March 23-24, 1998
Host School: Georgia Tech
Format: Best four of five scores each round
Course Info.: par 70 - 6,718 yards
Holes: 54
Starting Times: 8 a.m. shotgun start on Monday, tee times starting at 8 a.m. on Tuesday
Field Includes: 12 teams – including #3 Georgia Tech, #4 Clemson, #13 North Carolina, #14 East Tennessee State, #18 North Carolina State

Event: 1998 Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate (Fifth Annual)
Site: Tanglewood Resort (Lake Texoma) – Pottsboro, Texas
Dates: March 28-29, 1998
Host School: SMU
Format: Best four of five scores each round
Course Info.: par 72 - 7,000 yards designed by Ralph Plummer and Arnold Palmer

Holes: 54
Starting Times: 7 a.m. shotgun start on Saturday, tee times starting at 7 a.m. on Sunday
Field Includes: 18 teams – Akron, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Jackson State, Kent State, Miami (OH), Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Northern Illinois, Northwestern, Penn State, Purdue, SMU, Toledo, Wisconsin

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers will tee it up at the Marshall Invitational in Huntington, West Virginia on April 10-11.

TEAM STATS

DATE	TOURNAMENT	SCORES	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	287/286/282	855/1st out of 12
Sept. 27-28	Northern Collegiate Invite	296/288/294	878/T-2nd out of 17
Oct. 6-7	Nike Northwest Classic	301/299/295	895/T-13th out of 22
Oct. 10-11	Coca-Cola Classic	289/300/291	880/2nd out of 21
Feb. 16-17	Bridges All-American	286/301	587/3rd out of 18
Feb. 23-24	Puerto Rico Classic	297/298/290	885/T-4th out of 15

INDIVIDUAL STATS

Rob Kerr

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	70/68/71	216	209/1st out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	74/65/71	216	210/1st out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	75/76/75	216	226/T-56th out of 110
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	73/79/70	216	222/T-19th out of 111
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	69/72	142	141/1st out of 90
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	76/73/72	216	221/T-17th out of 75
Rounds: 17	Strokes: 1229		Average: 72.3

Justin Royer

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	72/77/69	216	218/T-15th out of 65
Rounds: 3	Strokes: 218		Average: 72.7

Bob Brink

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	75/72/72	216	219/T-20th out of 65
Rounds: 3	Strokes: 219		Average: 73.0

Bill Thompson

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	71/73/71	216	215/T-6th out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	76/72/75	216	223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	72/74/71	216	217/T-10th out of 110
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	71/73/76	216	220/T-13th out of 111
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	76/76	142	152/T-38th out of 90
Rounds: 14	Strokes: 1027		Average: 73.4

James McLean

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	71/83	142	154/T-50th out of 90
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	73/73/68	216	214/5th out of 75
Rounds: 5	Strokes: 368		Average: 73.6

Martin Le Mesurier

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	78/74/70	216	222/T-32nd out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	72/78/73	216	223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	79/73/75	216	227/T-59th out of 110
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	72/74/73	216	219/12th out of 111
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	72/72/75	216	219/T-11th out of 75
Rounds: 15	Strokes: 1110		Average: 74.0

Jeff Barney

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	71/73/70	216	214/T-4th out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	79/78/75	216	232/T-53rd out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	78/76/74	216	228/T-70th out of 110
Rounds: 9	Strokes: 674		Average: 74.9

Andy Komor

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	72/71/72	216	215/T-6th out of 65
Sept. 27-28 Northern Collegiate Invite	74/73/76	216	223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7 Nike Northwest Classic	76/79/82	216	237/T-99th out of 110
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	74/74	142	148/T-18th out of 90
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	76/83/75	216	234/T-57th out of 75
Rounds: 14	Strokes: 1057		Average: 75.5

Adam Dooley

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	74/77/70	216	221/T-28th out of 65
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	77/74/73	216	224/T-35th out of 111
Feb. 16-17 Bridges All-American	72/79	142	151/T-35th out of 90
Feb. 23-24 Puerto Rico Classic	80/80/76	216	236/T-62nd out of 75
Rounds: 11	Strokes: 832		Average: 75.6

Matt Burgess

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	76/76/71	216	223/T-37th out of 65
Oct. 10-11 Coca-Cola Classic	73/83/75	216	231/T-76th out of 111
Rounds: 6	Strokes: 454		Average: 75.7

Santiago Fernandez

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15 ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	83/83/78	216	244/64th out of 65
Rounds: 3	Strokes: 244		Average: 81.3

Note: * indicates that the golfer competed as an individual and the scores did not count towards the team score

GYMNASTICS

THIS WEEK: The No. 14 Golden Gophers completed the team portion of their 1998 season last weekend at the Big Ten Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich., March 20. Seeded ninth in the region as of last week, it appears unlikely the team will advance to the NCAA East Regionals, however some individuals stand a chance of being invited.

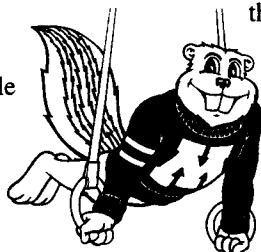
LAST ACTION: Minnesota finished in seventh place at the 1998 Big Ten Championships. The Golden Gophers scored a team total of 222.225, while Iowa captured the title with 230.525 points. Penn State and two-time defending champion Ohio State finished behind the Hawkeyes.

END OF A STREAK: Minnesota's seventh-place finish at Big Tens marked the first time in Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger's 27-year illustrious career his team has finished in the lower half of the conference. Roethlisberger can take solace in the fact that despite losing three key scholarship athletes to season-ending injuries at the beginning of the year, his young and untested Golden Gopher squad improved consistently throughout the season.

THE SPECIALIST: Junior **JASON KROB** (St. Charles, Mo.), a specialist on the pommel horse, was the only Golden Gopher to advance to the Big Ten Event Finals on Saturday, March 21. Krob finished in sixth place on the horse with a 9.650. Penn State's Mike Dutka, fresh off an all-around champi-

onship on Friday, scored a 9.837 to capture the title and one of three individual event titles he won that day. Entering the Big Ten Championships, Krob was ranked eighth in the nation in that event and he should advance to the NCAA East Regionals.

WINTER HEATING UP: Sophomore **RYAN WINTERBOURNE'S** (Anaheim, Calif.) has had to grow up fast this year. In his first season of competition, Winterbourne has shown a glimpse of a bright future ahead. He added a new job title to his resume at the Big Ten Championships: All-Arounder. For the first time this season, Winterbourne competed in all six events. He scored a 9.150 on the vault, his first attempt of the year. A sub-par performance on the horizontal bar on Friday though, relegated the sophomore to 21st place with a total score of 53.450.



LINDSEY LIGHTS IT UP: Sophomore Lindsey Fang entered the Golden Gopher Gymnastics program with very high expectations after an excellent amateur career. Fang has come on as of late with a career-high all-around performance at the Big Ten Championships. He finished in seventh place with a personal-best score of 56.475. Fang bolstered the total with a personal-best 9.575 on the horizontal bar and a career-high tying 9.650 on the vault.

COACH ROETHLISBERGER: Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger is in his 27th year at the helm of the University of Minnesota Gymnastics program. Roethlisberger has led his team to 11 Big Ten Championships during his tenure and has a 170-73-1 (.710) career record.

SCOREBOARD

1998 MEN'S GYMNASTICS SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site/Result
Jan. 10	Alumni Meet	* L 213.90-221.85
Jan. 17	Windy City Invitational	7th/213.85
Jan. 31	Ohio State	L 217.95-226.35
Feb. 7	Illinois	L 221.070-216.550
Feb. 13	Michigan State	L 221.75-228.425
Feb. 14	Michigan	L 222.575-226.85
Feb. 27	Nebraska	L 221.275-229.575
Mar. 1	Iowa	L 222.90-226.40
Mar. 7	Illinois-Chicago	W 224.100-220.800
Mar. 20-21	Big Ten Championships	7th/222.225
April 4	NCAA East Regionals	Amherst, Mass.
April 16-18	NCAA Championships	University Park, Pa.

*Exhibition

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NCAA EAST REGIONAL: The NCAA East Regionals are set for April 4 in Amherst, Mass. The top six teams in the region qualify for the competition. As of last week's rankings, Minnesota is currently ninth in the region.

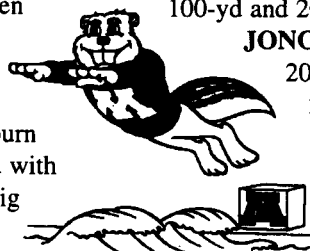
East Regional Rankings (as of March 9):

1. Iowa	229.025
2. Ohio State	228.950
3. Penn State	228.160
4. Michigan	227.250
5. Michigan State	226.833
6. Illinois	226.695
7. Massachusetts	226.133
8. Temple	224.742
9. Minnesota	222.808
10. Illinois-Chicago	221.892

SWIMMING & DIVING

THIS WEEK: The Golden Gophers compete at the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships in Auburn, Ala., March 26-28.

A FEW GOOD MEN: Minnesota qualified 14 swimmers for the NCAA Championships this weekend. It is the largest number of qualifiers for the championships the Golden Gophers have ever had. The 14 swimmers also represent the third largest group of qualifiers in the NCAA Championships field. Stanford leads the bunch with 16 swimmers, followed by Auburn and Texas with 15 swimmers each. Minnesota is tied with Tennessee with 14 qualifiers. Michigan is the next Big Ten team behind the Golden Gophers with 10 qualifying swimmers.



RYAN CROSBY (So., River Falls, Wis.)

100-yd and 200-yd backstroke

OSCAR GODOI (So., San Jose do Rio Preto, Brazil)

100-yd breaststroke

ERIEK HULSEMAN, (Sr., Edina, Minn.)

100-yd backstroke,

LUIS LOPEZ (Jr., Aurora, Colo.)

50-yd and 100-yd freestyle

ALEX MASSURA (Fr., Belo Horizonte, Brazil)

100-yd and 200-yd backstroke, 100-yd freestyle

JONO MCLEOD (Jr., Regina, Sask.)

200-yd and 400-yd individual medley,

200-yd butterfly

YOAV MEIRI (So., Jerusalem, Israel)

200-yd and 400-yd individual medley,

200-yd butterfly

JEREMY RIENTS (Sr., Apple Valley, Minn.)

50-yd, 100-yd and 200-yd freestyle

BRANDON SCHINDLER (Jr., Saratoga, Calif.)

50-yd and 100-yd freestyle

MARTIN ZIELINSKI (Jr., Bloomington, Minn.)

100-yd and 200-yd butterfly, 100-yd backstroke

TID BITS ABOUT THE FIELD: Host Auburn is the defending champion after winning its first title a year ago • Michigan and Ohio State hold the most NCAA titles in history (11) • Texas has won the title five times in the last 10 years.

WHO'S GOING:

TY BATHURST (Sr., Albuquerque, N.M.)

50-yd and 100-yd freestyle, 100-yd breaststroke

BILL BISHOP (So., Barrington, Ill.)

500-yd freestyle, 1,650-yd freestyle, 400-yd individual medley

JOHN CAHOY (Jr., Hudson, Wis.)

50-yd and 100-yd freestyle, 100-yd butterfly

BRYAN CARLSON (So., Rosemount, Minn.)

200-yd freestyle

SCOREBOARD

1998 Big Ten Champions

OVERALL RECORD: 7-1; BIG TEN RECORD: 3-1

TOP INDIVIDUAL EVENT TIMES

(1997-98)

50 FREE — 19.80!*, Ty Bathurst (prelim, Big Tens)
100 FREE — 44.03^*, John Cahoy (2nd, Big Tens)
200 FREE — 1:38.88^, Jeremy Rients (9th, Big Tens)
500 FREE — 4:24.72^, Bill Bishop (5th, Big Tens)
1000 FREE — 9:21.53, Bill Bishop (1st, vs. UNC)
1650 FREE — 15:18.50^, Bill Bishop (4th, Big Tens)
100 BACK — 47.42!*#+, Alex Massura (2nd, Big Tens)
200 BACK — 1:43.57!*#+, Alex Massura (2nd, Big Tens)
100 BREAST — 55.03*^, Ty Bathurst (prelim, Big Tens)
200 BREAST — 2:02.55*, Oscar Godoi (prelim, Big Tens)
100 FLY — 47.10!, Martin Zielinski (prelim, Big Tens)
200 FLY — 1:47.44^, Martin Zielinski (2nd, Big Tens)
200 IM — 1:48.55^*~; Alex Massura (prelim, Big Tens)
400 IM — 3:50.99^*, Bill Bishop (2nd, Big Tens)

* personal best

^ NCAA consideration

! NCAA automatic

+ Minnesota Varsity Record

Minnesota Freshman Record

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MINNESOTA AND THE NCAAS:

Under Head Coach DENNIS DALES'S 13-year reign, the Golden Gophers have placed as high as sixth in 1991-92. Since that season no Minnesota team has finished lower than 12th place at the NCAA Championships. Twelfth is where the Golden Gophers finished the last two seasons.

Minnesota has had 14 individual NCAA champions and two relay champions. The last Golden Gopher to bring home an NCAA crown was diver P.J. Bogart who won the 1-m springboard in 1996. The last swimmer to win an NCAA title was Walt Richardson who won the 100-yard butterfly in 1964 (50.20).

LAST SEASON'S NCAA RUN:

The 13-man NCAA team (12 swimmers and one diver) Minnesota brought to last season's championships was the most-ever by a U of M squad--until its 14 qualifiers this year. All five relay teams placed, the highest finishing fifth in the 200-yard medley relay. The Golden Gophers also finished 10th in the 800-yard freestyle relay, 11th in the 400-yard medley relay and 12th in both the 200-yard and 400-yard freestyle relay. Individually, records fell as sophomore MARTIN ZIELINSKI shattered the 100-yard butterfly school record time when he swam to a fourth-place finish in 47.00. It was the highest ever finish by a U of M swimmer in that event. Freshman BILL BISHOP also broke a Maroon and Gold record taking eighth place in the 1,650-yard freestyle (15:10.55).

TENNIS

THIS WEEK: The 46th-ranked Golden Gophers (4-5 overall; 1-1 Big Ten) face South Alabama Monday, March 23 in Mobile, Ala., at 1 p.m. Minnesota then competes at Tulane Wednesday, March 25 at 1 p.m., before hosting Penn State Friday and Indiana State Saturday. Both home matches will be played at the 98th Street Courts in Bloomington.

AGAINST SOUTH ALABAMA: Thirty-third ranked South Alabama holds a 2-1 series advantage over the Golden Gophers. Last season Minnesota defeated South Alabama 4-3, but suffered a 4-0 defeat this year at the H.E.B. Classic, March 7. The U of M lost two of three doubles matches and three singles matches. The other matches did not finish.

AGAINST TULANE: Minnesota has yet to beat Tulane in four matches played between the two clubs. The latest defeat came in Corpus Christi, Texas when the Green Wave topped the Golden Gophers 4-2 March 7.

VS. PENN STATE: Conversely to the Tulane series, Penn State has yet to win against the Golden Gophers in five meetings. The last tango between these two clubs came in 1996 when Minnesota handed Penn State a 6-1 loss.

VS. INDIANA STATE: ISU and the U of M have not met on the courts since the 1977 season. That year Indiana State topped the Golden Gophers 5-4.

LAST ACTION: The Golden Gophers won their opening match of the H.E.B. Classic, March 6-8, with a 4-1 win over Baylor. Minnesota then lost three straight matches to South Alabama 4-0, Tulane 4-2 and UNLV 4-1. Only freshman **JON SVENSSON** (Kristianstad, Sweden) and junior **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** (Portsgrunn, Norway) came away unscathed as the pair won every singles match they played.



GOOSE EGG: Freshman **JON SVENSSON** and junior **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** are the only two U of M players with undefeated dual match records. Svensson is 5-0 at No. 6 singles, and has two wins at No. 5 and one win at No. 2 singles. Kristoffersen, seventh in the singles lineup, holds a 2-0 record at No. 6 singles.

DOUBLE FIGURES: Minnesota's starting lineup features five of its six singles players with double digits in the win column. **TOM CHICOINE** carries a 15-12 record, followed by freshman **JORGE DUENAS** (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic) who holds a 14-12 record. **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** also carries a 14-10 record, while fellow Canadian countryman freshman **TYSON PARRY** (Chatham, Ontario) brings an 12-12 record to the court. Freshman **JON SVENSSON** is 14-8.

SCOREBOARD

Singles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Tom Chicoine	15-12	2-7	13-5	2-7					
Adam Selkirk	6-14	2-5	4-9		2-4	0-1			
M. Michalowski	14-10	2-4	12-6		1-0	1-4			
Jorge Duenas	14-12	2-5	12-7			1-2	1-3		
Tyson Parry	12-12	4-4	8-8				1-1	3-2	
Jon Svensson	14-8	8-0	6-8		1-0		1-0	2-0	4-0
M. Kristoffersen	8-7	2-0	6-7						2-0
Ed Marques	2-8		2-8						
Voke Okoh	0-2		0-2						

Doubles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3
Michalowski/Parry	12-8	1-5	11-3	1-5		
Chicoine/Duenas	8-9	3-3	5-6		3-3	
Duenas/Svensson	1-0	1-0	0-0		1-0	
Kristoffersen/Selkirk	1-0	1-0	0-0			1-0
Selkirk/Svensson	7-4	3-1	4-3			3-1
Kristoffersen/Svensson	3-1	1-0	2-1			1-0
Kristoffersen/Parry	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1		
Marques/Dvorak	1-1		1-1			
Marques/Okoh	1-1		1-1			

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THE LINEUP: The probable starting lineup for the Golden Gophers is as follows:

- No. 1 **TOM CHICOINE** (Neenah, Wis.)
- No. 2 **ADAM SELKIRK** (St. Joseph, Mo.)
- No. 3 **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** (Ottawa, Ont.)
- No. 4 **JORGE DUENAS** (Santo Domingo, Dominican Rep.)
- No. 5 **TYSON PARRY** (Chatham, Ont.)
- No. 6 **JON SVENSSON** (Kristianstad, Sweden)

Doubles

- No. 1 Michalowski/Parry
- No. 2 Chicoine/Duenas
- No. 3 Selkirk/Svensson

MILESTONES: Junior **TOM CHICOINE** (Neenah, Wis.) has 70 career singles wins, leading all active Golden Gophers. Additionally, Chicoine's 43 career doubles wins are seven shy of 50 career doubles wins.

Selkirk is fast approaching 50 career singles wins, as he is just three victories shy of the mark (47). Only a sophomore, **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** (Ottawa, Canada) already has 35 singles wins for his career.

Head Coach **DAVID GEATZ** earned the 300th victory of his coaching career with a 5-2 win over his alma mater, New Mexico, Jan. 16. Geatz currently has 182 wins in his 10th season with Minnesota and is 303-141 during his 14-plus years of coaching.

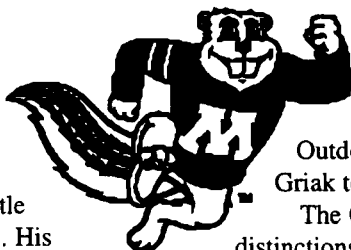
TRACK & FIELD

THIS WEEK: Minnesota opens its outdoor season with the Arizona State Invitational in Tempe, Ariz., March 27-28.

OUTDOORSY: Minnesota brings a strong outdoor contingent to the 1998 spring season. The Golden Gophers will carry its entire indoor roster along with new healthy additions into the new season. Minnesota's indoor crew won the school's first-ever Big Ten Indoor Championship and finished tied for 14th at the NCAA Championships.

Individually, the outdoor season could bring along more hardware to add to the accomplishments from the winter months. The foursome of All-Americans include NCAA Indoor Pole Vault Champion **VESA RANTANEN** (Virrat, Finland) who won the 1997 Big Ten Outdoor Pole Vault title and captured titles at the Texas and Drake Relays. His vault at the Texas Relays (18-5 1/4) broke a Minnesota school outdoor record and set a personal best. He is currently tied with **TYE HARVEY** (Jamestown, Calif.) for the school indoor pole vault record (18-21 1/2).

All-America pole vaulter **TYE HARVEY** will also be back stronger from a season's experience following wrist surgery last spring. Harvey could not defend his 1997 Big Ten indoor pole vault championship in during the outdoor season because of an injury to his wrist sustained in a car accident on the way to the championships.



Also in the hunt for a big spring is Big Ten indoor high jump champion **STAFFAN STRAND** (Uppsland-Vasby, Sweden) and two-time Big Ten indoor champion heptathlete **BENJAMIN JENSEN** (Mandal, Norway). Strand won both the 1997 and 1998 Big Ten Indoor Championships and the 1997 Outdoor Championship in the high jump and took second at the 1997 NCAA Outdoor Championship. Jensen won the decathlon at the 1997 Mt. SAC relays and placed third in the event at last season's NCAA Outdoor Championships with a school-record 7,716 points.

RECAPPING LAST SEASON: The Golden Gophers took second at the Big Ten Outdoor Championships for the second straight season last year and placed ninth at the NCAA Outdoor Championship, its highest finish since Roy Griak took the team to an eighth-place finish in 1971. The Golden Gophers were awarded four All-America distinctions and shattered four outdoor school records and a freshman record. Rantanen earned Big Ten Athlete of the Month honors in April and Strand was named Big Ten Freshman of the year.

During the season of competitions, Minnesota won two titles at the prestigious Drake Relays. Rantanen won the pole vault and the U of M's 4x100 shuttle hurdle relay won its first crown at that event since 1955.

SCOREBOARD

TOP OUTDOOR PERFORMANCES (1997)

100m Dash -- Tim Van Voorhis, 10.37
200m Dash -- Adam Freed, 21.57\$
400m Dash -- Scott Beadle, 47.32
800m Run -- Ron Hoffner, 1:50.82\$
1,500m Run -- Rick Obleman, 3:53.23\$
3,000m Run -- Jeremy Polson, 8:39.56
3,000m Steeplechase -- Rick Obleman, 8:52.49
5,000m Run -- Rick Obleman, 14:51.82\$
110m High Hurdles -- Niles Deneen, 13.95*\$
400m Hurdles -- Aaron Wheatcraft, 53.22\$
4x100m Relay -- 41.39
1,600m Relay -- 3:15.80
High Jump -- Staffan Strand, 7-4 1/2*!#
Pole Vault -- Vesa Rantanen, 18-5 1/4*!&\$
Long Jump -- Staffan Strand, 22-4 1/4
Triple Jump -- Staffan Strand, 48-9
Shot Put -- Chad Yenchsky, 59-2 3/4*\$
Discus -- Jason Schuetter, 198-3&*!\$
Javelin -- Benjamin Jensen, 184-10
Decathlon -- Benjamin Jensen, 7,716*!&\$

Key:

* NCAA Provisional

! NCAA Automatic

& Minnesota School Record

@ Field House Record

^ Big Ten Record

\$ Personal Best

U of M Freshman Record

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IT'S A FIRST!: The University of Minnesota took home its first Big Ten Indoor Championship at Purdue University, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 28-March 1. The Golden Gophers upended three-time defending champion Wisconsin on the strength of two individual event titles.

Minnesota earned points in all but two events, one of which had no Golden Gopher entries.

The Golden Gophers, who had not won a Big Ten Track and Field title since the outdoor team won in 1968, finished 14 points ahead of the Badgers.

AT THE INDOOR NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS:

The men's track and field team added an extra-special punch to the weekend with its Big Ten Championship. After the men's swimming and diving team captured its second Big Ten crown of the 1990s, less than 24 hours later the track and field team brought another Big Ten Championship home to Minneapolis. The double whammy marked the first time since 1995 that two Big Ten Championships were won in the same year. The two championships within one sports season had not been done since 1992, but remarkably it was not the first time two Big Ten titles were won in one weekend. In 1982 the men's basketball team captured the outright Big Ten title on March 6 with a 87-75 win over Ohio State. On March 7, the men's gymnastics team won the Big Ten title in Wisconsin by a margin of .90 points.

WRESTLING

MINNESOTA TAKES SECOND AT NCAAS, ITS BEST FINISH EVER:

The Golden Gophers took second at the 1998 NCAA Wrestling Championships, held in Cleveland State University's Convocation Center, March 19-21. It was a weekend of firsts for the Golden Gophers as the team crowned its first NCAA champion since 1991 in 190-pounder **TIM HARTUNG (Jr., Durand, Wis.)**, finished second for the first time in school history and brought home a school-record six All-Americans.

Minnesota finished with 102 team points, just behind tournament winner Iowa at 115. Iowa won its fourth straight NCAA title, and pre-tournament favorite Oklahoma State finished third with 99.5 points. For Minnesota, the runner-up finish marked its highest finish ever, surpassing the third-place finishes last year, in 1941 and in 1937.

The Big Ten Conference dominated the NCAA meet, crowning six individual champions and 34 All-Americans which was double the accomplishments of any other conference. Three of the top five teams and 10 of the top 25 hailed from the Big Ten (1. Iowa, 2. Minnesota, 4. Penn State, t7. Illinois, 12. Michigan, 13. Michigan State, 18. Northwestern, 19. Wisconsin, t24. Purdue, t58. Indiana).

HARTUNG BECOMES MINNESOTA'S FIRST NCAA CHAMPION SINCE 1991:

With his 5-4 overtime victory over Edinboro's previously unbeaten Jason Robison at 190 pounds, junior **TIM HARTUNG** became Minnesota's first NCAA champion since **MARTY MORGAN** in 1991.

Hartung fell behind 4-2 in the second period but closed the gap to 4-3 with a reversal just five seconds before its end. The two-time All-American then scored an escape at the beginning of the third period to send the match into overtime.

The two circled for 32 seconds of the extra session before Hartung grabbed Robison's leg to score the takedown and the 5-4 victory.

Current assistant head coach Marty Morgan won his NCAA title at 177 pounds in 1991. Hartung became Minnesota's 10th NCAA champion and head coach **J ROBINSON'S** second during his 11-year career at the U of M.



MINNESOTA CROWNS A SCHOOL-RECORD SIX ALL-AMERICANS:

Minnesota wrestlers brought home a school-record six All-America honors with their performances at the NCAA Championships, surpassing the five that the team earned last year.

For the Gophers, junior **CHAD KRAFT (Lakefield, Minn.)** lost his match 7-3 in the finals to Illinois' Eric Siebert, who remained undefeated for the season. The match remained scoreless for the first minute when Kraft, a three-time All-American, fell to the side of the mat, clutching a injured right ankle. Just four seconds after the injury timeout, Siebert scored the first of three takedowns in the match.

Heavyweight **SHELTON BENJAMIN (Orangeburg, S.C.)** finished third, avenging a quarterfinals loss to Lehigh's Bill Closson with a 5-3 decision for his second career All-America distinction. Three-time All-American **JASON DAVIDS (Forest Lake, Minn.)** took fourth at 142 pounds after Oregon's Oscar Wood pinned him in 2:46 in the third-place match.

SCOREBOARD

1998 FINAL INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Wt.	Name	Overall	Total	Dual	Big Ten	Pins
118	Brett Lawrence	16-10	16-10	11-9	2-5	3
	Leroy Vega	11-2	11-2	0-0	0-0	1
	Julio Alaniz	6-4	6-4	0-0	0-0	0
	Brandon Paulson	9-4	9-4	1-0	1-0	2
126	Bart Golyer	20-8	19-7	9-4	3-4	7
	Pat Connors	17-4	9-4	5-3	1-0	4
134	Chad Erikson	11-3	11-3	0-0	0-0	3
	Ty Friederichs	11-7	11-7	0-0	0-0	1
	Pat Connors		8-0	4-0	0-0	3
	Bart Golyer		1-1	1-1	0-0	0
	Josh Krebs	11-6	11-6	2-1	0-0	3
	Troy Marr	30-11	16-9	8-4	5-3	2
142	Jason Davids	36-5	36-5	19-2	6-2	17
	Joe Calavitta	8-2	8-2	0-0	0-0	2
	Troy Marr		14-1	0-0	0-0	0
150	Chad Kraft	26-3	25-3	17-1	6-1	2
	Brad Pike	15-5	15-5	0-2	0-1	3
	Eddie Pak	5-6	5-6	0-0	0-0	0
	Troy Marr		0-1	0-1	0-0	0
158	Tim Kinsella	13-2	13-2	1-0	0-0	1
	Jesse Krebs	6-5	6-5	0-1	0-0	0
	Josh Holiday	31-5	31-5	16-2	6-1	4
	Chad Kraft		1-0	1-0	1-0	0
167	Delaney Berger	18-2	16-1	2-0	0-0	2
	Zac Taylor	30-10	30-10	15-4	5-3	7
	Mike Cuperus	14-2	14-2	0-0	0-0	5
	Matt Kraft	6-2	6-2	0-0	0-0	0
177	Brandon Eggum	29-6	29-6	14-2	1-2	6
	Kenneth Howard	3-3	3-3	0-0	0-0	1
	Delaney Berger		3-1	3-1	3-1	0
190	Tim Hartung	36-1	36-1	20-1	8-0	19
	Owen Elzen	7-4	7-4	0-0	0-0	4
HWT	Shelton Benjamin	36-6	36-6	16-3	7-1	12
	Brent Boeshans	13-4	13-4	2-0	0-0	1

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FINAL RANKINGS: Individually, All-American and defending Big Ten champion **TIM HARTUNG** is the top-ranked Golden Gophers in the final Intermat/*W.I.N.* rankings. Hartung is ranked second at 190 pounds.

Junior **CHAD KRAFT**, a two-time All-American who took third at the NCAAs last year, is ranked third at 150 pounds after a tough loss to Penn State's then No. 3-ranked Clint Musser three weeks ago. Senior **JASON DAVIDS** moved to third in the latest rankings at 142 pounds after holding the top spot for much of the year. Senior All-American **SHELTON BENJAMIN** is ranked third at heavyweight after finishing second at the Big Ten championships.

Other ranked Minnesota wrestlers include junior **TROY MARR (Wyoming, Minn.)** who is the 17th-ranked wrestler at 134, senior **ZAC TAYLOR (Sandpoint, Idaho)**, 10th at 167, junior **JOSH HOLIDAY (Anaheim, Calif.)**, seventh at 158 and sophomore **BRANDON EGGUM (Sidney, Mont.)**, 14th at 177. Senior **BRANDON PAULSON (Coon Rapids, Minn.)** made his first appearance of the season three weeks ago and finished as the nation's 18th-best wrestler at 118 pounds.

WRESTLING

Sophomore **BRANDON EGGUM** earned the first All-America honor of his career, taking fifth at 177 pounds with a 3-1 decision over Illinois' Jevon Herman.

Senior **BRANDON PAULSON** completed his comeback and his career with his first All-America honor, taking seventh at 118 pounds with a 3-2 victory over Rider's John Carvalheira.

With their finishes, Kraft and Davids become Minnesota's first three-time All-Americans since current marketing and promotions director **BILLY PIERCE** (1993, 1995-96).

DAVIDS IS SCHOOL RECORD HOLDER IN DUAL-MEET WINS: Two-time All-American **JASON DAVIDS** became the all-time school record holder for dual-meet wins with a 19-2 mark this year and a 79-12-0 record for his career. With his third consecutive 30-win season (36-5 this year), Davids finished third on school lists for all-time career victories and pins. With a 4-2 record at NAAs, he finished in third place in career wins with a 131-27-0 record and into third place for career pins with 38, including wins by fall in his first two matches at NAAs.

Fellow seniors **ZAC TAYLOR** and **BRANDON PAULSON** also finished their careers as Golden Gophers in the top 20 in career wins. Taylor finished seventh with a career record of 117-34-0 and tied for 10th with 23 career pins. With his return to the team on Feb. 20 and a 5-2 record at NAAs, Paulson moved into 17th place with a career record of 87-34-0.

DENTING THE RECORD BOOK: Several Golden Gophers are also climbing their way into Minnesota's record book. In just three seasons, juniors **TIM HARTUNG** and **CHAD KRAFT** have also moved into the Golden Gopher record book. Hartung is tied for 14th place with a career mark of 94-21-0. Kraft is now ranked 18th with a career mark of 86-19-0. Hartung also stands in third with 35 career pins, including a team-leading 19 this year.

MINNESOTA SETS SCHOOL MARK FOR ATTENDANCE: The Golden Gophers set a school record this year when 11,284 fans turned out to watch Iowa defeat Minnesota 20-12 on Jan. 23. The attendance mark surpasses the old record set Feb. 3, 1980, when 9,225 fans watched Iowa State defeat the Golden Gophers 19-18 at Williams Arena. The NCAA record for attendance at a dual meet was set Feb. 22, 1992, when 15,291 fans watched Iowa defeat Iowa State 29-8 at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City.

NINE FINISH WITH 20 WINS: Nine Gophers finished the season with at least 20 wins this year. Senior **JASON DAVIDS** (36-5 at 142 pounds), junior **TIM HARTUNG** (36-1 at 190) and senior **SHELTON BENJAMIN** (36-6 at HWT) tied for the team lead with 36 wins each. Others with 20 wins include junior **TROY MARR** (134) at 30-11, senior **ZAC TAYLOR** (167) at 30-10, junior **JOSH HOLIDAY** (158) at 31-5, sophomore **BRANDON EGGUM** (177) at 29-6, junior **BART GOLYER** (126; Cedar, Minn.) at 20-8 and junior **CHAD KRAFT** (150) at 26-3.

Individual Results from the 1998 NCAA Wrestling Championships
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Brandon Paulson, unseeded at 118, 5-2 Seventh place

Paulson (UM) pinned Tom Combes (Eastern Illinois), 2:55
No. 1 David Morgan (Michigan State) dec. Paulson (UM) 8-0
Paulson (UM) dec. Ben Richards (Oregon State) 10-8 (ot)
Paulson (UM) dec. No. 9 Cody Sanderson (Iowa State) 8-6
Paulson (UM) dec. No. 6 Shane Valdez (Oklahoma) 7-4
No. 2 Stephen Abas (Fresno State) dec. Paulson (UM) 10-5

Paulson (UM) dec. No. 4 John Carvalheira (Rider) 3-2 (tb) (seventh)

Troy Marr, unseeded at 134, 2-2 DNP

No. 11 Brad Canoyer (Nebraska) dec. Marr (UM) 5-3
Marr (UM) tech. Fall Quinn Foster (Arizona State) 19-2, 7:00
Marr (UM) dec. Mike Collier (UC Davis) 5-3
Sean Gray (Virginia Tech) pinned Marr (UM) 2:22

Jason Davids, No. 3 seed at 142, 4-2 Fourth place

No. 3 Jason Davids (UM) pinned Mike Ziska (Pittsburgh), 3:16
No. 3 Davids (UM) pinned Shane Mack (Maryland), 4:48
No. 3 Davids (UM) dec. No. 6 Adam Tirapelle (Illinois) 9-5
No. 2 Jeff McGinness (Iowa) dec. No. 3 Davids (UM) 7-4
No. 3 Davids (UM) dec. No. 5 Jamarr Billman (Penn State) 12-5
No. 9 Oscar Wood (Oregon State) pinned No. 3 Davids (UM), 2:46

Chad Kraft, No. 3 seed at 150, 4-1 Second place

No. 3 Chad Kraft (UM) major dec. Ben Gerdes (Lock Haven) 12-1
No. 3 Kraft (UM) major dec. Jeff Whalen (Maryland) 12-4
No. 3 Kraft (UM) dec. No. 6 Steve Blackford (Arizona State) 4-3
No. 3 Kraft (UM) dec. No. 2 Clint Musser (Penn State) 3-2
No. 1 Eric Siebert (Illinois) dec. No. 3 Kraft (UM) 7-3

Josh Holiday, No. 8 seed at 158, 2-2 DNP

Jamie Kelly (Old Dominion) dec. No. 8 Josh Holiday (UM) 4-2 (sd)
No. 8 Holiday (UM) dec. Dan Dicesare (Ohio State) 3-1
No. 8 Holiday (UM) dec. Maurice Worthy (Army) 7-6
No. 10 Matt Suter (Arizona State) dec. No. 8 Holiday (UM) 2-0

Zac Taylor, No. 9 seed at 167, 1-2 DNP

No. 9 Zac Taylor (UM) major dec. Lionel Halsey (Cal St. Bakersfield) 15-3
No. 8 Glenn Pritzlaff (Penn State) dec. No. 9 Taylor (UM) 6-5 (tb)
Kevin Welsh (Edinboro) dec. No. 9 Taylor (UM) 7-6

Brandon Eggum, No. 10 seed at 177, 5-2 Fifth place

Leo Giel (Rider) dec. No. 10 Brandon Eggum (UM) 2-2 (tb)
No. 10 Eggum (UM) dec. Steve Alf (Wisconsin) 7-2
No. 10 Eggum (UM) major dec. Dave Murray (Lock Haven) 15-4
No. 10 Eggum (UM) tech. fall Paul Jenn (Iowa) 20-5, 6:58
No. 10 Eggum (UM) dec. Mike Greenfield (Central Michigan) 5-4
No. 5 John Withrow (Pittsburgh) dec. No. 10 Eggum (UM) 3-2
No. 10 Eggum (UM) dec. No. 4 Jevon Herman (Illinois) 3-1

Tim Hartung, No. 2 seed at 190, 5-0 First place

No. 2 Tim Hartung (UM) major dec. Martius Harding (Virginia) 10-1
No. 2 Hartung (UM) major dec. Orville Palmer (Oklahoma) 13-1
No. 2 Hartung (UM) major dec. No. 7 Sam Neider (Northwestern) 12-4
No. 2 Hartung (UM) dec. No. 3 Lee Fullhart (Iowa) 8-7
No. 2 Hartung (UM) dec. No. 1 Jason Robison (Edinboro) 5-4 (sd)

Shelton Benjamin, No. 4 seed at Hwt, 6-1 Third place

No. 4 Shelton Benjamin pinned John-Henry Ward (Oklahoma), 6:51
No. 4 Benjamin (UM) dec. David Pierce (Purdue) 3-2
No. 5 Bill Closson (Lehigh) dec. No. 4 Benjamin (UM) 5-4
No. 4 Shelton Benjamin (UM) dec. No. 10 Mat Orndorff (Oregon State) 9-8
No. 4 Benjamin (UM) pinned No. 12 Wes Hand (Iowa), :50
No. 4 Benjamin (UM) dec. No. 2 Airron Richardson (Michigan) 3-1 (sd)
No. 4 Benjamin (UM) dec. No. 5 Bill Closson (Lehigh) 5-3



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AXMAN NAMED QUARTERBACKS COACH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

University of Minnesota Head Football Coach Glen Mason announced today that Steve Axman has been selected as the Golden Gophers' new quarterbacks coach.

Axman, who coached current NFL stars Troy Aikman at UCLA and Neil O'Donnell at Maryland, comes to the U of M after eight successful seasons as head coach at the University of Northern Arizona where he developed one of the nation's most explosive offensive attacks. He inherited a program in 1990 that had experienced just three winning seasons in the previous decade and had never qualified for the Division I-AA postseason playoffs.

That all changed under Axman's careful direction. Northern Arizona racked up a 48-41 overall record during his eight years in Flagstaff, making him the second winningest coach in school history. His record-breaking offense averaged 30 points per game during that time, including an impressive 33.7 points per game the past five years when he led the Lumberjacks to five straight winning seasons and a 36-20 record.

"Steve comes to our program with a very successful track record of working with quarterbacks," Mason said. "He is an outstanding football coach who will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to our staff."

"I'm very excited to join Coach Mason's staff at the University of Minnesota," Axman said. "He did a great job with the football programs at both Kent State and Kansas, and I look forward to being a part of his efforts at the University of Minnesota."

In 1996 Northern Arizona finished with a lofty 9-3 overall record en route to the school's first-ever postseason playoff appearance. The Lumberjacks were 6-1 in Big Sky Conference play, finishing second to eventual national runner-up Montana. That marked the most league wins in school history since the 1978 squad captured the Big Sky crown with a perfect 6-0 record. Northern Arizona also climbed to a school-best No. 6 national ranking during the 1996 season.

Axman's 1996 team set or tied 14 national records and scored an amazing 475 points during the 11-game regular season to lead the country with a whopping 43.2 points per game average. The Lumberjacks also led the nation in total offense with an average of 522.8 yards per game and ranked third in passing with an average of 311.3 yards per game through the air as Axman earned Region 5 Coach of the Year honors from the American Football Coaches Association. The Northern Arizona offense featured running back Archie Amerson, who won the Walter Payton Award which is the Division I-AA equivalent of the Heisman Trophy. The team became the first in college football to produce a 2,000-yard rusher (Amerson) and a 3,000-yard passer (Travis Brown) in the same season.

Axman, 50, came to Northern Arizona from the University of Maryland where he served as quarterbacks coach for the Terrapins and worked with O'Donnell in 1989. In 1987-88 Axman was the offensive coordinator at UCLA, where he also worked with the quarterbacks, including Aikman, and the offensive line. In 1996 two of Axman's former pupils, O'Donnell with the Pittsburgh Steelers and Aikman with the Dallas Cowboys, faced each other in the Super Bowl.

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Prior to joining the UCLA staff, Axman spent the 1986 season as the offensive line coach at Stanford and the 1985 season in the same capacity with the Denver Gold of the United States Football League. From 1980-84, he was the offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach at the University of Arizona. He spent a year in the Big Ten when he coached quarterbacks and running backs at Illinois in 1979. From 1976-78 Axman was the offensive line/backfield coach at Army, after serving as the offensive line coach at Albany State in 1975.


Axman began his collegiate coaching career in 1974 as the defensive line coach at East Stroudsburg State. Axman kicked off his coaching career in 1969 at Freeport High School in New York state. His first head coaching assignment came in 1973 at McArthur High School in Levittown, N.Y.

A 1969 graduate of C.W. Post in Greenvale, N.Y. with a bachelor's degree in history, Axman went on to earn his first master's degree in education from New York's Long Island University in 1972 and his second in physical education with an emphasis in administration in 1975 while coaching at East Stroudsburg State.

An accomplished writer with many published articles during his career, Axman has authored several books on football schemes and strategies. In the spring of 1997, he released a book and video titled "Coaching Offensive Backs." The release was part of a video series titled "The Art and Science of Coaching," as produced by Coaches Video Choice. He recently released books and videos titled "Coaching Quarterback Passing Mechanics" and "101 Quarterback Drills."

Steve and his wife, Dr. Marie Axman, have four daughters. Mary Beth, 22, a recent graduate of Arizona State University, is now a graduate student in education at Northern Arizona. Jaclyn, 21, is a senior majoring in public relations and advertising at Northern Arizona where she was a former cheerleader for the Lumberjacks. Melissa and Kimberly are 14 and 10, respectively. Marie, who earned her doctorate in education from Northern Arizona University in 1994, is currently the principal of St. Mary's School in Flagstaff.

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KERR RANKED 18TH IN THE NATION IN GOLFSTAT STANDINGS


University of Minnesota senior men's golf captain Rob Kerr is currently ranked 18th in the nation in the annual Golfstat Cup standings. Kerr has an adjusted average of 71.43 in 17 rounds of play this season.

Kerr, a senior from Pointe Claire, Quebec, Canada, has won the ReliaStar Collegiate Invitational, Northern Collegiate Invitational, and Bridges All-American already in the young 1997-98 golf season. He is the highest ranked Big Ten player in the current Golfstat standings.

In its third year, the Golfstat Cup is awarded by Golfstat Incorporated to the Men's Collegiate Golfer with the lowest yearly scoring average. Previous winners of the award are Tiger Woods of Stanford (1995-96, average of 70.61) and Chris Hanell of Arizona State (1996-97 average of 71.44).

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TO: Media Outlets Covering Golden Gopher Football
FROM: Marc Ryan, Director of Media Relations
RE: Coach Mason News Conference/First Day of Spring Practice

Just a reminder that spring football practice at the University of Minnesota begins Monday (March 30) at the Gibson-Nagurski Football Complex.

Prior to the start of the first practice, Head Coach Glen Mason will hold a news conference in the Gibson-Nagurski Complex Players Lounge at 2 p.m.

A complete spring practice schedule follows:

Monday, March 30	Coach Mason News Conference/Practice #1
Thursday, April 2	Practice #2
Saturday, April 4	Practice #3
Sunday, April 5	Practice #4
Monday, April 6	Practice #5
Thursday, April 9	Practice #6
Saturday, April 11	Practice #7
Monday, April 13	Practice #8
Thursday, April 16	Practice #9
Friday, April 17	Practice #10
Saturday, April 18	Practice #11
Monday, April 20	Practice #12
Tuesday, April 21	Practice #13
Thursday, April 23	Practice #14
Saturday, April 25	Spring Game, 11 a.m. (Metrodome)

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call me at the Media Relations Office at (612) 625-4090.

For those media outlets unable to attend, Coach Mason's entire news conference can be heard on the Golden Gopher Hotline at (612) 625-7887 after 3 p.m. Monday and all day Tuesday.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Media Alert - Early NIT video, audio and interview opportunities

March 25, 1998

New York City Pepfest and Local TV Party to Support Gophers at NIT Finals; Charter Flight Package Added


As the Gopher men's basketball team prepares for the National Invitation Tournament title game tomorrow night, there are pregame video, audio and interview opportunities in New York City and a local angle with a game viewing party. Creative Charters has added a weekend trip to New York City, including title game tickets.

- A pregame pepfest on-site at the Madison Square Garden's third-floor Play By Play Restaurant will begin at about 5:30 p.m. (EST). Minnesota dignitaries, Goldy Gopher, Gopher cheerleaders and the pep band are expected to appear.
- The alumni association's official Twin Cities Gopher game-watching site is America's Original Sports Bar in the Mall of America. Thursday's game is expected to tipoff at 6:30 p.m. (CST). Goldy Gopher and the University of Minnesota Alumni Band will be on hand, along with many local Gopher fans.
- Creative Charters (439-0323) is taking reservations for a weekend package **until 2 p.m. today only**. The package, at \$499 per person double occupancy, includes flights leaving Thursday morning and returning Sunday morning, rooms at the Hilton near the airport (downtown is booked) and game tickets.
- The association is again encouraging Minnesota businesses, schools and organizations to declare Thursday, March 26, a maroon and gold day for employees, students or members.

For the latest information, visit the UMAA Website at <http://www.uma.umn.edu>

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Contact: Tom Garrison at 612-624-2323



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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA TIED FOR 11TH IN SEARS DIRECTORS' CUP STANDINGS

The University of Minnesota, on the strength of a second-place finish by the wrestling team at the NCAA Championships last weekend, moved from 27th-place after the fall sports season into a tie for 11th-place with 200 points in the Sears Directors' Cup standings released today. Three-time defending champion Stanford University currently leads the way with 560 points.

The all-sports award, presented by Sears and the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA), honors Division I schools with the best performances in 20 sports--10 sports for men and 10 for women.

Sears Directors' Cup points are based on national tournament finishes. Each national champion receives 100 points, while the second place team receives 80 points (exceptions include brackets of eight teams - 2nd=75 points; or brackets of two or four teams - 2nd=50 points).

The Golden Gophers' picked up points in the following sports this winter:
Wrestling (2nd, 80)
Men's Indoor Track and Field (14th, 30)
Women's Swimming and Diving (16th, 30)


Minnesota attained its highest ranking ever last season when they were in fifth-place during the winter sports season. They ended up finishing in 15th-place for the season, the second-best finish ever for the program. The Golden Gophers' highest finish ever in the final standings was a 14th-place showing for the 1993-94 season.

The Golden Gophers' are currently tied for third-place with Wisconsin among Big Ten schools. Only Michigan and Penn State are ahead of the Golden Gophers and Badgers.

Current Sears Cup Directors' Standings: 1. Stanford, 560; 2. North Carolina, 370; 3. Michigan, 350; 4. Colorado, 290; 4. Penn State, 290; 6. Nebraska, 280; 7. UCLA, 260; 8. Florida, 250; 9. Arkansas, 240; 10. Notre Dame, 220; **11. Minnesota, 200;** 11. BYU, 200; 11. Wisconsin, 200; 14. SMU, 190; 14. Virginia, 190; 16. Texas, 180; 17. Clemson, 150; 17. West Virginia, 150; 19. Dartmouth, 140; 19. Georgia, 140; 19. Louisiana State, 140; 22. Arizona, 130; 22. Iowa, 130; 22. South Carolina, 130; 25. Princeton, 120; 25. Southern California, 120.

Other Big Ten Schools:

27. Ohio State, 110; 37. Indiana, 90; 37. Michigan State, 90; 43. Illinois, 80; 43. Purdue, 80.



SPORTS & FITNESS NEWS

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March 30, 1998

TWO UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA SWIMMERS NAMED TO GTE ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT TEAM

University of Minnesota juniors Martin Zielinski of Bloomington and John Cahoy of Hudson, Wis., were named to the GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District V Team for excellence in both academics and athletics. Zielinski and Cahoy are two of 10 representatives from the district who will be considered for Academic All-America honors. It is the first time both of these student-athletes have been honored by CoSIDA.

Zielinski, a butterfly specialist, carries a 3.63 grade-point average (GPA) in biology/pre-medicine. He recently broke his own Minnesota school record in the 100-yard butterfly while earning All-America honors at the NCAA Championships last weekend in Auburn, Ala. Zielinski finished sixth in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 46.74 to set both the school and conference record. He also picked up honorable mention All-America honors for his participation with the 10th-place 200-yard and 400-yard medley relay team. He is a three-time All-American and four-time honorable mention All-American.

Cahoy, a sprint freestyler, earned his eighth consecutive 4.0 GPA last semester while majoring in chemistry. He earned three honorable mention All-America honors at the NCAA Championships, swimming with the 400-yard medley relay and 400-yard and 800-yard freestyle relay teams. Cahoy is a five-time honorable mention All-American.

Both Zielinski and Cahoy will close out the 1998 season at the Phillips 66 National Swimming Championships April 1-5 at the U of M Aquatic Center. Swimmers at the meet have a chance to qualify for the 1998 Goodwill Games Team.



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THIS WEEK IN GOPHER SPORTS

Wed., April 1	☒ Swimming	vs. Phillips 66 National Chmps U of M Aquatic Center Prelims: 9 a.m. Finals: 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.
	☒ Baseball	at Northern Iowa Waterloo, Iowa 3 p.m.
Thurs., April 2	☒ Swimming	vs. Phillips 66 National Chmps U of M Aquatic Center Prelims: 9 a.m. Finals: 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.
	☒ Baseball	vs. Iowa Siebert Field KKMS-AM (980) (TD) 3 p.m.
Fri., April 3	☒ Swimming	vs. Phillips 66 National Chmps U of M Aquatic Center Prelims: 9 a.m. Finals: 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.
	☒ Track & Field	at Texas Relays Austin, Texas All Day

Sat., April 4	☒ Baseball	vs. Iowa (2) Siebert Field KKMS-AM (980) (Live) MSC (Live) 2 p.m.
	☒ Gymnastics	at NCAA Central Regionals Amherst, Mass. All Day
	☒ Swimming	vs. Phillips 66 National Chmps U of M Aquatic Center Prelims: 9 a.m. Finals: 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Sun., April 5	☒ Tennis	at Michigan State East Lansing, Mich. 1 p.m.
	☒ Track & Field	at Cyclone Open Ames, Iowa All Day
	☒ Track & Field	at Texas Relays Austin, Texas All Day

ACADEMICALLY INCLINED

Two University of Minnesota student-athletes have been named to the GTE Academic All-District Team. Swimming juniors **JOHN CAHOY** and **MARTIN ZIELINSKI** represented the Golden Gophers in District V. Cahoy registered his eighth consecutive 4.0 grade-point average (GPA) in chemistry last quarter, while Zielinski carries a 3.63 GPA in biology/pre-medicine. Both competed at the NCAA Championships March 26-28.

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, March 31:

Head Minnesota Football Coach **GLEN MASON** previews the spring football season.

Wednesday, April 1:

Senior outfielder **MIKE ARLT** on the upcoming games against Northern Iowa and Iowa.

Thursday, April 2:

Head Baseball Coach **JOHN ANDERSON** previews the Iowa series.

Friday, April 3:

Junior linebacker **PARC WILLIAMS** previews the spring football season.

WEEKLY RELEASES

The University of Minnesota Men's Media Relations Office will be producing five separate releases during the 1997-98 academic year. Football, basketball, hockey and baseball information will be covered in sport-specific weekly releases, while information on "Olympic Sports" will appear each Monday in this release. Please refer any questions to the Men's Media Relations office at (612) 625-4090.

GOLF

THIS WEEK: The Golden Gopher men's golf team is idle from competition until April 10-11 when the team participates in the Marshall Invitational in Huntington, W. Va.

MINNESOTA CRUISES TO DR. PEPPER INTER-COLLEGIATE TITLE:

Golden Gopher freshman **JAMES McLEAN** (Wahgunyah, Australia) captured medalist honors with a three-round total of 4-under par 212 (70-69-73) to lead Minnesota to a huge 24-shot win last weekend in the 1998 Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate at Tanglewood Resort in Lake Texoma, Texas. Minnesota owned three individual top 10 finishes to run away with the team title, with sophomore **MARTIN LeMESURIER** (South Hampton, England) (72-73-73--218) tied for sixth and senior captain **ROB KERR** (Pointe Claire, Quebec) (74-71-74--219) tied for eighth place.

McLean, a rookie playing in only his fourth tournament since joining the Golden Gophers at the start of winter quarter, has finished in the top 11 in his last three tournaments. Minnesota survived poor conditions in the event hosted by SMU, playing in persistent winds surpassing 20 miles per hour the entire weekend. McLean and Indiana's Randy Leen were the only two players to shoot below par for the 54-hole event.

The Golden Gophers won their second team title of the season

with the championship. Minnesota won the ReliaStar Collegiate Invitational at Dellwood Golf Club last September. Minnesota now has six top five finishes to its credit in eight tournaments this season.

The U of M, which shot a three-day total of 5-over par 869, was trailed by runner-up Miami of Ohio's 29-over par total of 893. There were nine Big Ten teams participating in the weekend tournament. The Golden Gophers finished in sixth place in last season's Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate.

MINNESOTA NINTH AT CUSCOWILLA INTER-

COLLEGIATE: **MARTIN LeMESURIER's** final round 68 was one of just seven sub-par rounds among 60 individuals last Monday as the Golden Gophers concluded play in the 1998 Cuscowilla Intercollegiate at the Cuscowilla Golf Club in Eatonton, Georgia.

Minnesota placed ninth among 12 teams in the powerful field which included third-ranked Georgia Tech, fourth-ranked Clemson, No. 14 East Tennessee State, and No. 18 North Carolina State. The Golden Gophers finished one shot behind East Tennessee State and Wake Forest, and just two shots behind sixth-place Louisiana State. The event was won by No. 13 North Carolina, as the Tar Heels fired a final round 7-under par 273 to outdistance runner-up Georgia Tech by seven shots.

James McLean finished alone in 11th place with a three-over par total of 213 in the 54-hole event. LeMesurier's 68 was good enough to push him to a tie for 12th place in the final individual standings.



SCOREBOARD

Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate/Tanglewood Resort
Par: 72 Yardage: 6,993

Final Tournament Totals

Teams	Scores
#27 Minnesota	291-284-294--869 (+5)
Miami (Ohio)	306-286-301--893 (+29)
Toledo	304-300-290--894 (+30)
Southern Methodist	314-287-293--894 (+30)
Kent State	299-301-296--896 (+32)
Indiana	312-296-293--901 (+37)
Nebraska	305-299-297--901 (+37)
Northwestern	297-304-301--902 (+38)
Colorado	313-298-300--911 (+47)
Illinois	304-308-301--913 (+49)
Jackson State	300-303-311--914 (+50)
Purdue	307-304-312--923 (+59)
Michigan	312-302-311--925 (+61)
Wisconsin	313-304-311--928 (+64)
Iowa	305-318-307--930 (+66)
Northern Illinois	322-308-302--932 (+68)
Penn State	314-310-315--939 (+75)
Akron	314-314-317--945 (+81)

Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate/Tanglewood Resort
Par: 72 Yardage: 6,993

Final Tournament Totals

Top 10 Individuals

Player	School	Scores (-/+)
1. James McLean	Minnesota	70-69-73--212 (-4)
2. Randy Leen	Indiana	72-70-73--215 (-1)
3. Kyle Voska	Miami (OH)	75-69-72--216 (E)
C.J. Brock	Wisconsin	72-71-73--216 (E)
5. Luke Donald	Northwestern	72-73-72--217 (+1)
6. Martin LeMesurier	Minnesota	72-73-73--218 (+2)
Tee McCabe	Miami (OH)	77-70-71--218 (+2)

8. Rob Kerr	Minnesota	74-71-74--219 (+3)
Hugh Smith	Jackson State	70-73-76--219 (+3)
Hank Kuehne	SMU	75-71-73--219 (+3)
Todd Lancaster	Kent State	73-77-69--219 (+3)
Tim Rice	Toledo	73-76-70--219 (+3)

Golden Gopher Scores

Player	Scores (Place)
James McLean	70-69-73--212 (1)
Martin LeMesurier	72-73-73--218 (T-6)
Rob Kerr	74-71-74--219 (T-8)
Adam Dooley	77-71-76--224 (T-17)
Bill Thompson	75-75-74--224 (T-17)

Cuscowilla Intercollegiate/The Golf Club at Cuscowilla

Par: 70 Yardage: 6,718

54 Hole Tournament Totals

Teams	Scores
#13 North Carolina	287-281-273--841
#4 Clemson	288-279-280--847
#3 Georgia Tech	281-286-287--854
Duke	290-283-288--861
#18 North Carolina State	291-283-289--863
#22 Louisiana State	292-292-288--872
#14 East Tennessee State	294-291-288--873
#32 Wake Forest	293-292-288--873
#27 Minnesota	301-289-284--874
Kent State	302-295-302--899
Missouri	305-287-307--899
Virginia Tech	304-303-307--914

Golden Gopher Scores

Player	Scores (Place)
James McLean	74-67-72--213 (11)
Martin LeMesurier	71-75-68--214 (T-12)
Bill Thompson	78-72-73--223 (T-38)
Rob Kerr	78-75-71--224 (T-41)
Andy Komor	78-78-74--230 (T-52)

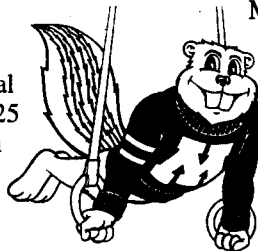
GYMNASTICS

THIS WEEK: The 14th-ranked Golden Gophers completed the team portion of their 1998 season at the Big Ten Championships, March 20-21. Seeded ninth in the region as of last week, it appears unlikely the team will advance to the NCAA East Regionals. Several individuals, however, are likely to advance on their own.

LAST ACTION: Minnesota finished in seventh place at the 1998 Big Ten Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich. The Golden Gophers scored a team total of 222.225, while Iowa captured the title with 230.525 points. Penn State and two-time defending champion Ohio State finished behind the Hawkeyes.

SOUR NOTE: Minnesota's seventh-place finish at Big Tens marked the first time in Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger's illustrious career his team has finished in the lower half of the conference. Roethlisberger can take solace in the fact that despite losing three key scholarship athletes to season-ending injuries at the beginning of the year, his young and untested Golden Gopher squad improved consistently throughout the season.

THE SPECIALIST: Junior **JASON KROB** (St. Charles, Mo.), a specialist on the pommel horse, looks to advance to the NCAA East Regionals for the second consecutive season. Last year, Krob finished took fifth with a 9.675 and advanced to the NCAA Championships. This season, Krob is currently ranked



10th in the nation and has two first-place and four second-place finishes in seven dual meets this season. At the Big Ten Championships, Krob was the only Golden Gopher to advance to the event finals. He finished sixth after posting a 9.650.

SENIOR LEADERSHIP: Senior co-captain **GEORGE BEATTY** (Aberdeen, N.J.) has had an outstanding final season. During the year, Beatty won six individual event titles, including four on the pommel horse. Heading into the East Regionals, Beatty is ranked 12th nationally on the pommel horse. In Minnesota's victory over Illinois-Chicago to close out the regular season, Beatty established a career-high with a 9.775 on that event.

LINDSEY LIGHTS IT UP: Sophomore Lindsey Fang entered the Golden Gopher Gymnastics program with very high expectations after an excellent amateur career. Fang has come on as of late with a career-high performance at the Big Ten Championships. He finished in seventh place with a career-high score of 56.475. Fang added a personal-best 9.575 on the horizontal bar and a career-high tying 9.650 on the vault.

COACH ROETHLISBERGER: Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger is in his 27th year at the helm of the University of Minnesota Gymnastics program. Roethlisberger has led his team to 11 Big Ten Championships during his tenure and has a 170-73-1 (.710) career record.

SCOREBOARD

1998 MEN'S GYMNASTICS SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site/Result
Jan. 10	Alumni Meet	* L 213.90-221.85
Jan. 17	Windy City Invitational	7th/213.85
Jan. 31	Ohio State	L 217.95-226.35
Feb. 7	Illinois	L 221.070-216.550
Feb. 13	Michigan State	L 221.75-228.425
Feb. 14	Michigan	L 222.575-226.85
Feb. 27	Nebraska	L 221.275-229.575
Mar. 1	Iowa	L 222.90-226.40
Mar. 7	Illinois-Chicago	W 224.100-220.800
Mar. 20-21	Big Ten Championships	7th/222.225
April 4	NCAA East Regionals	Amherst, Mass.
April 16-18	NCAA Championships	University Park, Pa.

*Exhibition

GOPHER FLASHES

NCAA EAST REGIONAL: The NCAA East Regionals are set for April 4 in Amherst, Mass. The top six teams in the region qualify for the competition. As of last week's rankings, Minnesota is currently ninth in the region.

East Regional Rankings (as of March 9):

1. Iowa	229.025
2. Ohio State	228.950
3. Penn State	228.160
4. Michigan	227.250
5. Michigan State	226.833
6. Illinois	226.695
7. Massachusetts	226.133
8. Temple	224.742
9. Minnesota	222.808
10. Illinois-Chicago	221.892

SWIMMING & DIVING

THIS WEEK: The Golden Gopher swimmers compete at the Phillips 66 National Swimming Championships hosted by United States Swimming at the U of M Aquatic Center April 1-5.

A PEEK AT SENIOR NATIONALS: The Phillips 66 National Swimming Championships, commonly referred to as Senior Nationals, is a co-ed meet competed in long course meters. Collegiate meets are competed as short course yards, offering swimmers a much shorter distance and different strategy than Senior Nationals.

The Championships will be used, in part, to select the members of the 1998 Goodwill Games team. The meet will feature top swimmers from the collegiate forum, including several Golden Gophers, and top national swimmers like world champions Tom Dolan, Amy Van Dyken, Brooke Bennett and Bill Pilczuk.

The meet begins Wednesday, April 1, with preliminary races at 9 a.m. The men will compete first, followed by the women. Finals start at 5:30 p.m. for B and C finals, and at 7 p.m. for A finals.

NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS BRIEF: Minnesota took 14th at the NCAA Championships in Auburn Ala., March 26-28. The Golden Gophers amassed 105 points, collecting 23 honorable mention All-America and two All-America certificates.



Stanford won its eighth NCAA title, and first since 1994, by a commanding 599-394.5 margin over second-place Auburn. The Cardinal dominated the meet from start to finish, chalking up three relay titles and five individual crowns. Texas finished third (362.5), Tennessee was fourth (233) and Southern California took fifth (220). Michigan finished 12th.

INDIVIDUALLY SPEAKING: A trio of pleasantries at the NCAA Championships began with junior **MARTIN ZIELINSKI's** (Bloomington, Minn.) preliminary swim of the 100-yard butterfly. Zielinski tied his own school record time of 47.00 to become Minnesota's first championships finals competitor Friday. He went on to break that mark in the finals, swimming 46.74 to finish sixth in the finals.

The second bright spot came in the prelims of the 200-yard butterfly Saturday afternoon when sophomore **YOAV MEIRI** (Jerusalem, Israel) swam a career-best time of 1:46.12 to qualify for the consolation finals. Meiri finished 14th in the event to earn honorable mention All-America honors. The Golden Gophers ended the week-end with a record-breaking 400-yard freestyle relay finish. The team of freshman **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), junior **JOHN CAHOY** (Hudson, Wis.) and seniors **JEREMY RIENTS** (Apple Valley, Minn.) and **TY BATHURST** (Albuquerque, N.M.) finished ninth with a Minnesota school record time of 2:54.87. The team of Massura, Cahoy, Rients and junior **LUIS LOPEZ** (Aurora, Colo.) held the old record of 2:55.03 set at this year's Big Ten Championships.

SCOREBOARD

1998 Big Ten Champions
14th at NCAA Championships
OVERALL RECORD: 7-1; BIG TEN RECORD: 3-1
TOP INDIVIDUAL EVENT TIMES
(1997-98)

50 FREE — 19.80!*, Ty Bathurst (prelim, Big Tens)
100 FREE — 44.03^*, John Cahoy (2nd, Big Tens)
200 FREE — 1:38.88^, Jeremy Rients (9th, Big Tens)
500 FREE — 4:24.72^, Bill Bishop (5th, Big Tens)
1000 FREE — 9:21.53, Bill Bishop (1st, vs. UNC)
1650 FREE — 15:18.50^, Bill Bishop (4th, Big Tens)
100 BACK — 47.42!*#+, Alex Massura (2nd, Big Tens)
200 BACK — 1:43.57!*#+, Alex Massura (2nd, Big Tens)
100 BREAST — 55.03*^, Ty Bathurst (prelim, Big Tens)
200 BREAST — 2:02.55*, Oscar Godoi (prelim, Big Tens)
100 FLY — 46.74!*+, Martin Zielinski (6th, NCAAAs)
200 FLY — 1:46.60*, Yoav Meiri (NCAAAs)
200 IM — 1:48.55*^, Alex Massura (prelim, Big Tens)
400 IM — 3:50.99*^, Bill Bishop (2nd, Big Tens)

* personal best

^ NCAA consideration

! NCAA automatic

+ Minnesota Varsity Record

Minnesota Freshman Record

GOPHER FLASHES

TWO NAMED TO ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM:

Juniors **MARTIN ZIELINSKI** and **JOHN CAHOY** were named to the GTE Academic All-District team for excellence in both academics and athletics. Zielinski, the Minnesota school record holder in the 100-yard butterfly and three-time All-American, was the U of M's highest finisher at this year's NCAA Championships. He carries a 3.63 grade-point average (GPA) in biology/pre-medicine. Cahoy has been a critical member of Minnesota's Big Ten champion and record-setting freestyle relay teams. He holds a 4.0 GPA while majoring in chemistry.

TENNIS

THIS WEEK: Minnesota travels to the Great Lakes State to face Michigan State in East Lansing, Saturday, April 4, and Michigan in Ann Arbor, Sunday, April 5.

SCOUTING THE MICHIGANDERS: Minnesota holds a 27-13 series advantage over the Spartans of Michigan State, winning every match since 1973. In the last meeting between the two, the Golden Gophers came away with a 5-2 win at home last year. The U of M built a 1-0 lead, sweeping the doubles competition, and went on to take singles play 4-2.

Michigan leads Minnesota 41-15-2 all-time. However, the Golden Gophers stomped the Wolverines 6-1 last season. The Golden Gophers swept doubles and only lost a three-set match at No. 5 singles in the home match April 6. That win secured a 3-3 Big Ten record for the Maroon and Gold who finished with a 4-6 conference record.

The back-to-back wins over MSU and Michigan broke a three-match losing streak last season.

LAST ACTION: The Golden Gophers are coming off a pair of 7-0 home wins over Penn State (3/27) and Indiana State (3/28). Minnesota had lost five straight before turning around and winning back-to-back matches. The U of M had lost earlier to South Alabama (5-2, 3/23) and Tulane (4-3, 3/25).



SCRAMBLED: Holding a 6-7 overall record and 2-1 conference record Minnesota has been scrambling its lineup. One thing however has remained constant. Freshman **JON SVENSSON** (Kristianstad, Sweden) has won. Since beginning the dual match season, Svensson has posted an 11-0 record, stringing together a current nine-match winning streak. After starting at the No. 6 singles position, he has played anywhere from No. 2 to No. 6 singles. Most recently he has moved up to occupy the No. 4 singles position.

The six-man lineup is never a constant, but the traveling bunch remains: **TOM CHICOINE** (Neenah, Wis.), **ADAM SELKIRK** (St. Joseph, Mo.), **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** (Ottawa, Ont.), **JORGE DUENAS** (Santo Domingo, Dominican Rep.), **TYSON PARRY** (Chatham, Ont.), **JON SVENSSON** (Kristianstad, Sweden) and **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** (Portgrunn, Norway).

SHOOTING BLANKS: In addition to **JON SVENSSON**'s undefeated dual match slate, **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** has kept his loss column clean, going 7-0 in dual matches. Recently Kristoffersen has put out a six-match win streak playing at No. 5 and No. 6 singles.

SCOREBOARD

SOUTH ALABAMA 5, MINNESOTA 2

Mobile, Alabama

March 23, 1998

Singles

- No. 1 Nic Chisholm (USA) def. Tom Chicoine (UM), 6-3, 6-1
- No. 2 John James (USA) def. Adam Selkirk (UM), 6-1, 6-0
- No. 3 Claes Westlin (USA) def. Martin Michalowski (UM), 6-3, 7-6, 6-4
- No. 4 Johan Westberg (USA) def. Jorge Duenas (UM), 7-6, 4-6, 7-5
- No. 5 Jon Svensson (UM) def. Paul McInerney (USA), 6-3, 3-6, 6-3
- No. 6 Martin Kristoffersen (UM) def. Laszlo Rethelyi (USA), 7-5, 4-6, 6-4

Doubles

- No. 1 James/Westlin (USA) def. Michalowski/Parry (UM), 8-3
- No. 2 Chisholm/Rethelyi (USA) def. Chicoine/Kristoffersen, 8-2
- No. 3 McInerney/Homedes (USA) def. Selkirk/Svensson, 8-4

TULANE 4, MINNESOTA 3

New Orleans, La.

March 25, 1998

Singles

- No. 1 Robert Samuelsson (TU) def. Tom Chicoine (UM) 7-5, 7-6
- No. 2 Mikko Viljamen (TU) def. Adam Selkirk (UM) 6-2, 6-2
- No. 3 Ronald Kloppert (TU) def. Martin Michalowski (UM) 6-4, 6-4
- No. 4 Jon Svensson (UM) def. Pekka Rinne (TU) 6-3, 6-2
- No. 5 Jorge Duenas (UM) def. Chip Kelly (TU) 6-2, 6-2
- No. 6 Martin Kristoffersen (UM) def. James Moeckel (TU) 6-3, 6-3

Doubles

- No. 1 Kloppert/Samuelsson (TU) def. Michalowski/Tyson Parry (UM) 8-5
- No. 2 Derya Rosse/Kelly (TU) def. Duenas/Chicoine (UM) 8-6
- No. 3 Viljamen/Rinne (TU) def. Svensson/Selkirk (UM) 8-5

MINNESOTA 7, Penn State 0

Bloomington, Minn.

March 27, 1998

Singles

- No. 1 Tom Chicoine (MN) def. Mike Griesser (PSU), 6-1, 6-3
- No. 2 Martin Michalowski (MN) def. Colin Smeeton (PSU), 6-2, 6-4
- No. 3 Jon Svensson (MN) def. Marc Dorfman (PSU), 3-6, 6-3, 6-3
- No. 4 Jorge Duenas (MN) def. Eric Meditz (PSU), 5-7, 6-4, 7-5
- No. 5 Martin Kristoffersen (MN) def. Matthew Nielsen (PSU), 6-2, 6-4
- No. 6 Tyson Parry (MN) def. Marc MaCallister (PSU), 6-4, 6-2

Doubles

- No. 1 Chicoine/Michalowski (MN) def. Griesser/Smeeton, 8-5
- No. 2 Dorfman/Meditz (PSU) def. Selkirk/Parry (MN), 8-2
- No. 3 Duenas/Svensson (MN) def. Accardi/MaCallister (PSU), 8-5

MINNESOTA 7, Indiana State 0

Bloomington, Minn.

March 28, 1998

Singles

- No. 1 Adam Selkirk (UM) def. Peter Magnusson (ISU) 4-6, 6-4, 7-6
- No. 2 Martin Michalowski (UM) def. Kyle Richards (ISU) 6-2, 6-1
- No. 3 Jorge Duenas (UM) def. Gavin Foulston (ISU) 6-4, 4-6, 6-4
- No. 4 Jon Svensson (UM) def. Nathan Crick (ISU) 6-2, 7-6
- No. 5 Martin Kristoffersen (UM) def. Richard Mayers (ISU) 6-4, 6-2
- No. 6 Tyson Parry (UM) def. Marco Mendes (ISU) 6-3, 6-2

Doubles

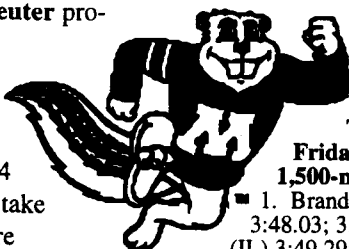
- No. 1 Michalowski/Parry (UM) def. Fernando Forte/Magnusson (ISU) 8-6
- No. 2 Foulston/Crick (ISU) def. Duenas/Kristoffersen (UM) 8-6
- No. 3 Selkirk/Svensson (UM) def. Mayers/Richards (ISU) 8-5

TRACK & FIELD

THIS WEEK: Minnesota once again splits its group and heads to Ames, Iowa, for the Cyclone Open, Saturday, April 4, while other competitors will be at the Texas Relays, April 3-4.

LAST SEASON: Minnesota did not send any competitors to the Cyclone Open last season. However, the Golden Gophers had provisional performances and records broken at the Texas Relays last year.

Former Maroon and Gold thrower **Jason Schleuter** provisionally qualified for the NCAAAs when he placed fourth in the discus with a sail of 191-0 (58.22m). Junior **VESA RANTANEN** (Virrat, Finland) broke a Minnesota school outdoor record which still stands when he vaulted 18-5 1/4 (5.62m) to automatically qualify for NCAAAs and take home the Texas Relays pole vault title. Sophomore **STAFFAN STRAND** (Uppsland-Vasby, Sweden) automatically qualified for the NCAA Championships when he finished second in the high jump with a Minnesota freshman outdoor record 7-4 1/2 (2.25m). Seniors **CHAD YENCHESKY** (DePere, Wis.) and **TYE HARVEY** (Jamestown, Calif.) also provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in the shot put and pole vault, respectively.



**Baldy Castillo Invitational • Arizona State University
Tucson, Ariz**

Friday's Results: March 27, 1998

1,500-meter run

- 1. Brandon Strong (Unattached) 3:47.95; 2. Ari Rodriguez (ASU) 3:48.03; 3. Bernd Schroeder (Idaho) 3:48.51; 4. Cortney Lamb (IL) 3:49.29; 5. John Mortimer (MI) 3: 50.02. Other Minnesota Finishers: 18. Ron Hoffner 3:58.28.

3,000-meter

- 1. Adam Batliner (CO) 8:45.6; 2. Jay Brock (Northern Iowa) 8:51.4; 3. Tom Chorny (IN) 8:53.7; 4. Billy Herman (Northern Arizona) 8:55.4; 5. Sean Lynch (Manhattan) 8:55.6. Other Minnesota Finishers: 8. Matt Carter 9:17.9

500-meter

- 1. Matt Repak (ASU) 14:14.99; 2. Jama Bile (Unattached) 14:16.85; 3. Clint Wells (CO) 14:18.25; 4. Todd Snyder (MI) 14:21.40; 5. Tim Martin (Northern Arizona) 14:21.98. Other Minnesota Finishers: 6. Sami Valtonen 14:23.26; 17. Charles McClure 14:49.11; 18. Jeremy Polson 14:50.25; 20. Eric Hartmark 14:56.64; 26. Todd Landgraff 15:11.04; 29. Nate Clay 15:25.60.

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10,000-meter

- 1. Tony Riter (MN) 31:29.01; 2. Mike Cohen (Darmouth) 31:36.15; 3. Jacob Brundage (Central Michigan) 31:51.29; 4. Steve Beguin (IN) 32:17.05.

Triple Jump

- 1. Samuel Okantey (Central Michigan) 16.21 (53-02.25); 2. Chris Kwaramba (Idaho) 16.05 (52-08.0); 3. Levar Anderson (Louisiana State) 15.96 (52-04.5); 4. Marcus Thomas (LSU) 15.31 (50-02.75); 5. Christian Haar (Manhattan) 15.10 (49-06.5).

Javelin

- 1. Oscar Duncan (Idaho) 66.04 (216-08.0); 2. Jared Schrieber (ASU) 64.14 (210-05.0); 3. Justin Hamill (Dartmouth) 58.54 (192-01.0); 4. Andy Derr (MI) 56.14 (184-02.0); 5. John Wallin (S Conn. St.) 53.10 (174.02.0).

Shot Put

- 1. Kevin Mannon (Wyoming) 18.32 (60-01.25); 2. Ralf Kahles (LSU) 18.09 (59-04.25); 3. Christian Nehme (LSU) 17.35 (56-11.25); 4. Kurt Krick (IN) 17.23 (56-06.5); 5. Alex Forst (LSU) 16.92 (55-06.25). <p>

Saturday Results-March 28, 1998

Hammer

- 1. Mike Laiho (Arizona State) 69.24 (227-02.0); 2. Kevin Mannon (Wyoming) 63.04 (206-10.0); 3. John Woosley (LSU) 58.14 (190-09.0); 4. Jeff Singleton (Colorado) 56.64 (185-10.0); 5. Fred Myall (C. Michigan) 54.42 (178-06.0).

Long Jump

- 1. Mike Aldridge (LSU) 7.60 (24-11.25); 2. Marcus Thomas (LSU) 7.47 (24-06.25); 3. Joe Knuffman (Illinois) 7.47 (24-06.25); 4. Tyler McCormick (Minnesota) 7.32 (24-00.25); 5. Christian Haar (Manhattan) 7.25 (23-09.50)

Pole Vault

- 1. Russ Buller (LSU) 5.07 (16-07.5); 2. Yuri Rovon (Northern Iowa) 5.07 (16-07.50); 3. Charles DeWilot (Michigan) 5.07 (16-07.5); 4. Ben Mischke (Northern Iowa) 4.77 (15-07.75); 5. Justin Norberg (Illinois) 4.62 (15-01.75); 5. Jon Anderson

(Minnesota) 4.62 (15-01.75).

High Jump

- 1. Rugo Munoz (Idaho) 2.16 (7-01.0); 2. J.J. Barton (LSU) 2.11 (6-11.0); 3. Tim Suchan (Unattached) 2.11 (6-11.0); 4. Wil Kurth (Minnesota) 2.06 (6-09.0); 5. Jay Schleicher (Dartmouth) 2.06 (6-09.0). Other Minnesota Finishers: 6. Tyler McCormick 2.01 (6-07.0); 8. Marc Johansson 2.01 (6-07.0). <p>

Discus

- 1. Alex Forst (LSU) 54.48 (178-09.0); 2. Kurt Krick (Indiana) 53.36 (175-01.0); 3. Christian Nehme (LSU) 52.20 (171-03.0); 4. Christer Hagberg (Manhattan) 51.26 (168-02.0); 5. Gunnar Pflingsten (LSU) 50.54 (165-10.0)

4x100 Relay

- 1. LSU 39.35; 2. Northern Iowa 41.04; 3. Idaho 41.06; 4. Michigan 41.17; 5. Arizona State 41.29; 9. Minnesota 42.01.

110-meter Hurdles

- 1. Ty Yeager (Indiana) 13.91; 2. Sherman Armstrong (Illinois) 14.02; 3. Lex Butler (Colorado) 14.14; 4. Niles Deneen (Minnesota) 14.15; 5. Jason Madearis (Wyoming) 14.17.

400-meter

- 1. Felix Kamangiria (Idaho) 46.46; 2. James Davis (Colorado) 46.47; 3. Andrew Pierce (Ohio State) 47.15; 4. Chris Jones (Illinois) 47.22; 5. Tyrone Jones (Illinois) 47.44.

100-meter

- 1. Chris Cummings (LSU) 10.04; 2. Byron Logan (LSU) 10.20; 3. Jermaine Grant (LSU) 10.21; 4. Jonathan Prather (Unattached) 10.41; 5. Russell Brooks (Indiana) 10.50. Other Minnesota Finishers: 20. Niles Deneen 10.85; 25. Tim Van Voorhis 11.17.

400-meter Hurdles

- 1. Sekou Smith (Ohio State) 52.77; 2. Sherman Armstrong (Illinois) 52.96; 3. Ty Yeager (Indiana) 53.33; 4. Brian Theisen (Michigan) 53.51; 5. Brent Maciagen (Northern Iowa) 54.22.

800-meter

- 1. Kevin Sullivan (Michigan) 1:52.05; 2. Eric Potter (Northern Iowa) 1:52.54; 3. Bobby True (Illinois) 1:52.55; 4. Brandon Strong (Unattached) 1:52.64; 5. Jay Cantin (Michigan) 1:53.95. Other Minnesota Finishers: 9. Jason Owen 1:54.64.



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MEN'S GOLF TEAM CRACKS TOP 25 IN LATEST COACHES POLL

The University of Minnesota men's golf team is ranked 21st in the nation in the latest GCAA Team Effort Coaches poll released on Thursday afternoon. The Golden Gophers recently won the Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate Invitational, with freshman James McLean claiming individual medalist honors.

Minnesota is one of only two Big Ten teams to appear on the top 25 list. Northwestern, who finished 33 strokes behind the Golden Gophers in the Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate, is ranked 16th in the nation.

The Golden Gophers are idle from competition until traveling to Huntington, West Virginia for the Marshall Invitational on April 10-11, 1998.

GCAA Team Effort Coaches Poll – April 2, 1998

1. UNLV
2. Texas Christian University
3. Clemson
4. Arizona
5. Oklahoma State
6. Georgia Tech
7. Georgia
8. Florida
9. Arizona State
10. Arkansas
11. Augusta State
12. North Carolina
13. New Mexico
14. Houston
15. Colorado State
16. Northwestern
17. South Carolina
18. Oklahoma
19. USC
20. East Tennessee State
21. Minnesota
22. Tulsa
23. North Carolina State
24. Brigham Young
25. Auburn



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15 GOPHERS HONORED ON WINTER ACADEMIC ALL-BIG TEN TEAMS

A total of 15 University of Minnesota men's student-athletes have been named to the 1998 Winter Academic All-Big Ten team.


Head Coach Dennis Dale's Big Ten champion swimming team led the way with nine honorees. Junior John Cahoy, a chemistry major who played a large role on Minnesota's Big Ten Champion freestyle relay teams, has a perfect 4.0 heading into the spring.

J Robinson's wrestling team had four honorees, the most since 1991, including junior Tim Hartung, a two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection who captured Minnesota's first individual national title since 1991 at this year's NCAA Wrestling Championships.

Senior wrestler Brandon Paulson was honored for the fourth time of his career, and junior swimmer Cubby Campbell received the third accolade of his career.

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Wrestling	Brandon Eggum	SO	3.06	Undecided	Sidney, Mont.
Wrestling	Tim Hartung	JR	3.16	Kinesiology	Durand, Wis.
Wrestling	Brett Lawrence	SO	3.06	Undecided	Sandpoint, Idaho
Wrestling	Brandon Paulson	SR	3.24	Business Adm.	Coon Rapids, Minn.
Gymnastics	Chad Conner	SO	3.94	Mgmt/Pre-Med.	Dallas, Texas
Gymnastics Minn.	Matthew Kieffer	JR	3.68	Pre-Business	Inver Grove Heights,
Swimming	John Cahoy	SO	4.00	Chemistry	Hudson, Wis.
Swimming	Cubby Campbell	JR	3.49	Pre-Med/French	Minneapolis, Minn.
Swimming	Oscar Godoi	SO	3.18	Business	San Jose do Rio Preto, Brazil
Swimming	Brian Howard	SO	3.16	Undecided	Roeland Park, Kan.
Swimming	Luis Lopez	JR	3.49	Mech. Eng.	Aurora, Colo.
Swimming	Jonathon McLeod	JR	3.45	Phys. Therapy	Regina, Saskatchewan
Swimming	Yoav Meiri	SO	3.52	Design Comm.	Jerusalem, Israel
Swimming	Jeff Miller	JR	3.76	Mech. Eng.	Brookfield, Wis.
Swimming	Martin Zielinski	JR	3.63	Bio/Pre-Med	Bloomington, Minn.

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TWO GAMES ADDED TO MINNESOTA BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Two games have been added to the 1998 Golden Gopher baseball schedule to make up for games missed due to inclement weather.

The first additional game is scheduled for Wednesday, April 8 as Minnesota will take on Concordia St. Paul at Siebert Field at 3 p.m.

The other make-up game will be a midweek contest with St. Olaf College Wednesday, May 6 at 6 p.m. at Siebert Field.



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THIS WEEK IN GOPHER SPORTS

Tues, April 7

- Baseball vs. Saint John's University
Siebert Field
3 p.m.

Wed, April 8

- Baseball vs. Concordia-St. Paul
Siebert Field
3 p.m.

Fri, April 10

- Baseball at Michigan
Ann Arbor, Mich.
KKMS-AM (980) (TD 7 p.m.)
3 p.m.
- Golf at Marshall Invitational
Huntington, W.Va.
All Day
- Track & Field at Sea Ray Relays
Knoxville, Tenn.
All Day

Sat, April 11

- Baseball at Michigan (2)
Ann Arbor, Mich.
KKMS-AM (980) (Live)
1 p.m.
- Golf at Marshall Invitational
Huntington, W.Va.
All Day

Sat, April 11

- Tennis at Northwestern
Evanston, Ill.
Noon
- Track & Field at Sea Ray Relays
Knoxville, Tenn.
All Day

Sun, April 12

- Baseball at Michigan
Ann Arbor, Mich.
KKMS-AM (980) (Live)
1 p.m.
- Tennis at Wisconsin
Madison, Wis.
Noon

ACADEMIC ALL-BIG TEN

Wrestling	Brandon Eggum	Undecided	3.06
	Tim Hartung	Kinesiology	3.16
	Brett Lawrence	Undecided	3.06
Gymnastics	Brandon Paulson	Business Admin.	3.24
	Chad Conner	Mgmt/Pre-Med	3.94
	Matt Kieffer	Pre-Business	3.68
	John Cahoy	Chemistry	4.00
	Cubby Campbell	Pre-Med/French	3.49
Swimming	Oscar Godoi	Business	3.18
	Brian Howard	Undecided	3.16
	Luis Lopez	Mech. Eng.	3.49
	Jono McLeod	Phys. Therapy	3.45
	Yoav Meiri	Design Comm.	3.52
	Jeff Miller	Mech. Eng.	3.76
	Martin Zielinski	Bio/Pre-Med	3.63

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, March 31:

Head Baseball Coach **JOHN ANDERSON** previews the upcoming games against St. John's, Concordia-St. Paul and Michigan.

Wednesday, April 1:

Junior outfielder **CRAIG SELANDER** on the upcoming Michigan series.

Thursday, April 2:

Head Golf Coach **JOHN MEANS** previews the Marshall Invitational and talks about the recent team championship at the Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate.

Friday, April 3:

Sophomore safety **TYRONE CARTER** talks about the spring football season.

WEEKLY RELEASES

The University of Minnesota Men's Media Relations Office will be producing five separate releases during the 1997-98 academic year. Football, basketball, hockey and baseball information will be covered in sport-specific weekly releases, while information on "Olympic Sports" will appear each Monday in this release. Please refer any questions to the Men's Media Relations office at (612) 625-4090.

GOLF

THIS WEEK: The Golden Gopher men's golf team is back in action this weekend as they travel to the Marshall Invitational in Hinton, W. Va. The first 36 holes of the tournament will be played Friday, April 10, with the final 18 holes of action slated for Saturday, April 11.

TEAM STATS

DATE	TOURNAMENT	SCORES	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	287/286/282	855/1st out of 12
Sept. 27-28	Northern Collegiate Invite	296/288/294	878/T-2nd out of 17
Oct. 6-7	Nike Northwest Classic	301/299/295	895/T-13th out of 22
Oct. 10-11	Coca-Cola Classic	289/300/291	880/2nd out of 21
Feb. 16-17	Bridges All-American	286/301	587/3rd out of 18
Feb. 23-24	Puerto Rico Classic	297/298/290	885/T-4th out of 15
Mar. 23-24	Cuscowilla Intercolleg.	301/289/284	874/9th out of 12
Mar. 28-29	Dr. Pepper Intercolleg.	291/284/294	869/1st out of 18

INDIVIDUAL STATS

James McLean

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Feb. 16-17	Bridges All-American	71/83	142 154/T-50th out of 90
Feb. 23-24	Puerto Rico Classic	73/73/68	216 214/5th out of 75
Mar. 23-24	Cuscowilla Intercollegiate	74/67/72	210 213/11th out of 60
Mar. 28-29	Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate	70/69/73	216 212/1st out of 90
Rounds: 11 Strokes: 793		Average: 72.1	

Mar. 28-29	Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate	75/75/74	216 224/T-17th out of 90
Rounds: 20 Strokes: 1474		Average: 73.7	

Adam Dooley

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	74/77/70	216 221/T-28th out of 65
Oct. 10-11	Coca-Cola Classic	77/74/73	216 224/T-35th out of 111
Feb. 16-17	Bridges All-American	72/79	142 151/T-35th out of 90
Feb. 23-24	Puerto Rico Classic	80/80/76	216 236/T-62nd out of 75
Mar. 28-29	Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate	77/71/76	216 224/T-17th out of 90
Rounds: 14 Strokes: 1056		Average: 75.4	

Jeff Barney

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	71/73/70	216 214/T-4th out of 65
Sept. 27-28	Northern Collegiate Invite	79/78/75	216 232/T-53rd out of 90
Oct. 6-7	Nike Northwest Classic	78/76/74	216 228/T-70th out of 110
March 8-9	Alabama-Birm. Invite	81/77	144 n/a
Rounds: 11 Strokes: 832		Average: 75.6	

Andy Komor

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	72/71/72	216 215/T-6th out of 65
Sept. 27-28	Northern Collegiate Invite	74/73/76	216 223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7	Nike Northwest Classic	76/79/82	216 237/T-99th out of 110
Feb. 16-17	Bridges All-American	74/74	142 148/T-18th out of 90
Feb. 23-24	Puerto Rico Classic	76/83/75	216 234/T-57th out of 75
Mar. 23-24	Cuscowilla Intercollegiate	78/78/74	210 230/T-52nd out of 60
Rounds: 17 Strokes: 1287		Average: 75.7	

Burgess

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	76/76/71	216 223/T-37th out of 65
Oct. 10-11	Coca-Cola Classic	73/83/75	216 231/T-76th out of 111
March 8-9	Alabama-Birm. Invite	79/79	144 n/a
Rounds: 8 Strokes: 612		Average: 76.5	

Rob Kerr

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	70/68/71	216 209/1st out of 65
Sept. 27-28	Northern Collegiate Invite	74/65/71	216 210/1st out of 90
Oct. 6-7	Nike Northwest Classic	75/76/75	216 226/T-56th out of 110
Oct. 10-11	Coca-Cola Classic	73/79/70	216 222/T-19th out of 111
Feb. 16-17	Bridges All-American	69/72	142 141/1st out of 90
Feb. 23-24	Puerto Rico Classic	76/73/72	216 221/T-17th out of 75
Mar. 23-24	Cuscowilla Intercollegiate	78/75/71	210 224/T-41st out of 60
Mar. 28-29	Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate	74/71/74	216 219/T-8th out of 90
Rounds: 23 Strokes: 1672		Average: 72.7	

Justin Royer

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	72/77/69	216 218/T-15th out of 65
Rounds: 3 Strokes: 218		Average: 72.7	

Martin Le Mesurier

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	78/74/70	216 222/T-32nd out of 65
Sept. 27-28	Northern Collegiate Invite	72/78/73	216 223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7	Nike Northwest Classic	79/73/75	216 227/T-59th out of 110
Oct. 10-11	Coca-Cola Classic	72/74/73	216 219/12th out of 111
Feb. 23-24	Puerto Rico Classic	72/72/75	216 219/T-11th out of 75
Mar. 23-24	Cuscowilla Intercollegiate	71/75/68	210 214/T-12th out of 60
Mar. 28-29	Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate	72/73/73	216 218/T-6th out of 90
Rounds: 21 Strokes: 1542		Average: 73.4	

Bill Thompson

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	71/73/71	216 215/T-6th out of 65
Sept. 27-28	Northern Collegiate Invite	76/72/75	216 223/T-18th out of 90
Oct. 6-7	Nike Northwest Classic	72/74/71	216 217/T-10th out of 110
Oct. 10-11	Coca-Cola Classic	71/73/76	216 220/T-13th out of 111
Feb. 16-17	Bridges All-American	76/76	142 152/T-38th out of 90
Mar. 23-24	Cuscowilla Intercollegiate	78/72/73	210 223/T-38th out of 60

Bob Brink

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	75/72/72	216 219/T-20th out of 65
March 8-9	Alabama-Birm. Invite	87/79	144 n/a
Rounds: 5 Strokes: 385		Average: 77.0	

Santiago Fernandez

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
Sept. 14-15	ReliaStar Coll. Invite*	83/83/78	216 244/64th out of 65
March 8-9	Alabama-Birm. Invite	78/82	144 n/a
Rounds: 5 Strokes: 404		Average: 80.8	

Dave Gunderson

TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
March 8-9	Alabama-Birm. Invite	84/77	144 n/a
Rounds: 2 Strokes: 161		Average: 80.5	

Brian Santee

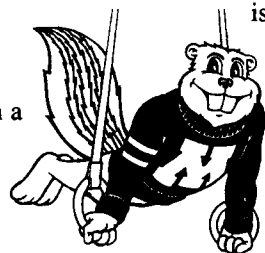
TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
March 8-9	Alabama-Birm. Invite	86/79	144 n/a
Rounds: 2 Strokes: 165		Average: 82.5	

Note: * indicates that the golfer competed as an individual and the scores did not count towards the team score

GYMNASTICS

THIS WEEK: Senior **GEORGE BEATTY** (Aberdeen, N.J.) is the lone Golden Gopher who qualified at the NCAA East Regional to compete at the NCAA Championships April 16-18, in University Park, Pa. Beatty will compete on the parallel bars.

LAST ACTION: Four individual competitors qualified for the NCAA East Regional Championships last weekend in Amherst, Mass. Senior **GEORGE BEATTY** finished in a tie for 12th place with a 9.550 on the parallel bars to qualify for the NCAA Championships on that event. Beatty also finished in a tie for third on the pommel horse with a score of 9.650 and placed 38th on the high bar with a 8.700. Sophomore **LINDSEY FANG** (Allentown, Pa.) finished 11th in the all-around competition with a 55.150. Fang took a share of 15th place on the floor exercise (9.500), 13th on the pommel horse (9.450), 15th on the vault (9.600), 27th on the parallel bars (9.300), 34th on the high bar (8.850) and 47th on the still rings (8.450). Junior **JASON KROB** (St. Charles, Mo.) finished in a tie for 19th place on the pommel horse with a 9.300 and sophomore **CHAD CONNER** (Dallas, Texas) competed on the high bar, but did not post a score.



event. He also tied for third place on the pommel horse scoring a 9.65, but did not qualify due to tie-breaking criteria. The top three individuals in each event who have not qualified in the all-around competition or are not members of teams that qualified advance to the championships. Ties are broken by the gymnasts' regional qualifying average.

LINDSEY LIGHTS IT UP: Sophomore Lindsey Fang entered the Golden Gopher gymnastics program with very high expectations after an excellent amateur career. Fang finished 11th in the all-around competition at the NCAA East Regionals with a score of 55.150. Fang came on late in the season posting several career-high performances at the Big Ten Championships. He finished in seventh place with a career-high score of 56.475 in the all-around. Fang set a personal-best 9.575 on the horizontal bar and a career-high tying 9.650 on the vault.

COACH ROETHLISBERGER: Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger is in his 27th year at the helm of the University of Minnesota Gymnastics program. Roethlisberger has led his team to 11 Big Ten Championships during his tenure and has a 170-73-1 (.710) career record.

BEATTY IS LONE QUALIFIER: Senior co-captain **GEORGE BEATTY** has had an outstanding final season. Beatty most recently scored a 9.550 on the parallel bars at the East Regional to qualify for the NCAA Championships on that

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1998 MEN'S GYMNASTICS SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site/Result
Jan. 10	Alumni Meet	* L 213.90-221.85
Jan. 17	Windy City Invitational	7th/213.85
Jan. 31	Ohio State	L 217.95-226.35
Feb. 7	Illinois	L 221.070-216.550
Feb. 13	Michigan State	L 221.75-228.425
Feb. 14	Michigan	L 222.575-226.85
Feb. 27	Nebraska	L 221.275-229.575
Mar. 1	Iowa	L 222-90-226.40
Mar. 7	Illinois-Chicago	W 224.100-220.800
Mar. 20-21	Big Ten Championships	7th/222.225
April 4	NCAA East Regionals	No team scores
April 16-18	NCAA Championships	University Park, Pa.

*Exhibition

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NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS: The NCAA Championships are set for April 16-18 in University Park, Pa. The top three teams in each region qualify for the competition. Here are the results of the East Regional held in Amherst, Mass., last weekend.

Team Scores:

1. Ohio State	228.725
2. Illinois	227.925
3. Iowa	226.975
4. Penn State	226.925
5. Michigan	225.100
6. Michigan State	223.425

Individual Results

All-Around: Travis Romagnoli (IL) 58.100
Floor Exercise: D. Gerlach (Temple) 9.800
Pommel Horse: Mike Dutka (PSU) 9.825
Still Rings: Ron Roeder (PSU) 9.800
Vault: Travis Romagnoli (IL) 9.850
Parallel Bars: Jason Krane (una.) 9.825
High Bar: Travis Romagnoli (IL) 9.900

SWIMMING & DIVING

WRAP UP!: With the conclusion of the Phillips 66 National Championships Sunday, April 6, the Golden Gophers' season comes to a close. The 1998 season featured a 7-1 record, a Big Ten Championship, a 14th-place finish at the NCAA Championships and men's title at the Phillips 66 National Championships held at the U of Aquatic Center.

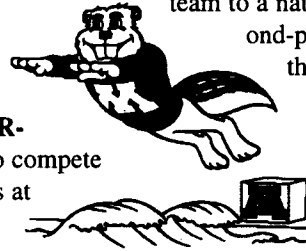
SEE YOU AGAIN?: Most notable among the summer competition is the 1998 Goodwill Games in New York City July 19-August 2. Juniors **JOHN CAHOY** (Hudson, Wis.) and **MARTIN ZIELINSKI** (Bloomington, Minn.) qualified to compete at the Goodwill Games following their performances at the Phillips 66 National Championships.

Other championships that may include Golden Gopher swimmers is the U.S. Swimming National Championships, or Summer Nationals, in Clovis, Calif., August 11-15th. The Summer Nationals will be televised by NBC Sports and serve as the selection meet for the 1999 Pan Pacific Championships, 1999 Pan American Games and 1999 World University Games.

For USA Swimming meet information check the USS website at www.usa-swimming.org.

ANOTHER KIND OF NATIONAL CHAMPION:

The Golden Gophers roared to redemption, claiming the men's title at the Phillips 66 National Championships Sunday.



Minnesota finished third in the combined men's and women's competition.

The U of M was boosted by an individual and relay national title. **MARTIN ZIELINSKI** won the 100-meter butterfly Saturday in the race's last 50 meters to claim his first ever national championship and qualify for the Goodwill Games. Later in the evening, Minnesota secured its second title, as anchor sophomore **BILL BISHOP** (Barrington, Ill.) led the 800-meter freestyle relay team to a national championship, touching .09 ahead of the second-place Terrapins of Concord, Calif. Also swimming the relay were **JOHN CAHOY**, sophomore **BRYAN CARLSON** (Rosemount, Minn.) and senior **JEREMY RIENTS** (Apple Valley, Minn.).

PUSHING EACH OTHER: After qualifying for the Goodwill Games Thursday, **JOHN CAHOY** realized he needed a roommate for New York. His roomie on the road all season long, **MARTIN ZIELINSKI**, was swimming to qualify in the 100-meter butterfly Saturday.

Cahoy called Zielinski Friday night and told him he hoped Zielinski was rested and ready to go.

"That got me motivated," Zielinski explained following his win.

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1998 Big Ten Champions
1998 Phillips 66 Men's National Champions
14th at NCAA Championships
OVERALL RECORD: 7-1; BIG TEN RECORD: 3-1
TOP INDIVIDUAL EVENT TIMES
(1997-98)

50 FREE — 19.80!*[^], Ty Bathurst (prelim, Big Tens)
100 FREE — 44.03*[^], John Cahoy (2nd, Big Tens)
200 FREE — 1:38.88*[^], Jeremy Rients (9th, Big Tens)
500 FREE — 4:24.72*[^], Bill Bishop (5th, Big Tens)
1000 FREE — 9:21.53, Bill Bishop (1st, vs. UNC)
1650 FREE — 15:18.50*[^], Bill Bishop (4th, Big Tens)
100 BACK — 47.42!*^{#+}, Alex Massura (2nd, Big Tens)
200 BACK — 1:43.57!*^{#+}, Alex Massura (2nd, Big Tens)
100 BREAST — 55.03*[^], Ty Bathurst (prelim, Big Tens)
200 BREAST — 2:02.55*[^], Oscar Godoi (prelim, Big Tens)
100 FLY — 46.74!*⁺, Martin Zielinski (6th, NCAAAs)
200 FLY — 1:46.60*[^], Yoav Meiri (NCAAs)
200 IM — 1:48.55*[^], Alex Massura (prelim, Big Tens)
400 IM — 3:50.99*[^], Bill Bishop (2nd, Big Tens)

* personal best

[^] NCAA consideration

[!] NCAA automatic

⁻ Minnesota Varsity Record

[#] Minnesota Freshman Record

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OTHER TOP FINISHERS: Finishing well in addition to **MARTIN ZIELINSKI** and **JOHN CAHOY**, were junior **BRANDON SCHINDLER** (Saratoga, Calif.), who took sixth in the 50-meter freestyle in his first national championship final, and sophomore **YOAV MEIRI** (Jerusalem, Israel), who finished ninth in the 200-meter individual medley.

JACK OF ALL TRADES: Sophomore **BILL BISHOP**, the U of M's top distance freestyler certainly went the distance at the national meet. Bishop competed in five events, the most of any Golden Gopher. Bishop took 19th in the 200-meter butterfly, 10th in the 400-meter individual medley, 12th in the 1,500-meter freestyle, 18th in the 400-meter freestyle and swam the anchor leg of the 800-meter freestyle relay.

TWO NAMED TO ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM:

Juniors **MARTIN ZIELINSKI** and **JOHN CAHOY** were named to the GTE Academic All-District team for excellence in both academics and athletics. Zielinski carries a 3.63 grade-point average (GPA) in biology/pre-medicine. Cahoy holds a 4.0 GPA while majoring in chemistry.

TENNIS

THIS WEEK: Minnesota goes on the road to face 14th-ranked Northwestern Saturday, April 11, at noon and Wisconsin Sunday at noon. It is the second straight weekend away from Minnesota for the Golden Gophers.

GOPHERS, WILDCATS, BADGERS, OH MY!:

Northwestern holds the 42-33-1 margin all-time versus the Golden Gophers. The Maroon and Gold lost twice to the Wildcats last season, 5-2 at home (4/11), and 4-2 in the NCAA Region IV finals (5/11).

Against the Badgers, Minnesota has had more luck. The U of M has a 46-39 all-time record against its neighbors to the east. Last year Minnesota picked up the 7-0 win at home (4/12).

LAST ACTION: Minnesota is looking to end its two-match road losing streak. The Golden Gophers dropped 4-3 matches to Michigan State and Michigan Saturday and Sunday of last week. Minnesota lost the doubles point in both and had the match against MSU come down to No. 1 singles and the match versus Michigan come down to No. 3 singles.

Minnesota's record in 4-3 matches is 1-5 this season.

SCRAMBLED: With a 6-9 overall record and 2-3 conference record, Minnesota has been scrambling its lineup. The six-man lineup is never a constant, but the traveling bunch remains: **TOM CHICOINE** (Neenah, Wis.), **ADAM SELKIRK**

(St. Joseph, Mo.), **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** (Ottawa, Ont.), **JORGE DUENAS** (Santo Domingo, Dominican Rep.), **TYSON PARRY** (Chatham, Ont.), **JON SVENSSON** (Kristianstad, Sweden) and **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** (Portsgrunn, Norway).

ON A ROLL: With two more wins this past weekend, freshman **JON SVENSSON** (Kristianstad, Sweden) has won 11 straight matches and 14 consecutive dual matches. After starting at the No. 6 singles position, he has played anywhere from No. 2 to No. 6 singles. In Michigan, Svensson played No. 4 and 5 singles.



SHOOTING BLANKS: In addition to **JON SVENSSON's** undefeated dual match slate, **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** has kept his loss column clean, going 7-0 in dual matches. Recently Kristoffersen has put out a six-match win streak playing at No. 5 and No. 6 singles.

MILESTONES: Junior **TOM CHICOINE** (Neenah, Wis.) has 72 career singles wins, leading all active Golden Gophers.

Selkirk is fast approaching 50 career singles wins, as he is just a victory of the mark (49). Only a sophomore, **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** (Ottawa, Canada) already has 37 singles wins for his career.

SCOREBOARD

Michigan State 4, Minnesota 3
East Lansing, Mich.
April 4, 1998

Singles

- No. 1 - Trey Eubanks (MSU) def. Tom Chicoine (MN) 7-5, 1-6, 7-6 (2)
- No. 2 - Ivica Primorac (MSU) def. Martin Michalowski (MN) 6-4, 6-4
- No. 3 - Adam Selkirk (MN) def. Chris Struck (MSU) 6-3, 7-6 (4)
- No. 4 - Jon Svensson (MN) def. Benjamin Hetzler (MSU) 2-6, 6-1, 6-2
- No. 5 - Ken Kigongo (MSU) def. Jorge Duenas (MN) 6-4, 3-6, 6-3
- No. 6 - Martin Kristoffersen (MN) def. Francisco Trinidad (MSU) 6-2, 6-1

Doubles

- No. 1 - Chicoine/Michalowski (MN) def. Kigongo/Struck (MSU) 9-8 (5)
- No. 2 - Eubanks/Hetzler (MSU) def. Kristoffersen/Tyson Parry (MN) 8-3
- No. 3 - Primorac/Trinidad (MSU) def. Svensson/Selkirk (MN) 8-5

Michigan 4, Minnesota 3
Ann Arbor, Mich.
April 5, 1998

Singles

- No. 1 - Tom Chicoine (MN) def. David Paradzik (UM) 6-1, 6-2
- No. 2 - Adam Selkirk (MN) def. Matt Wright (UM) 1-6, 6-1, 7-5
- No. 3 - Arvid Swan (UM) def. Martin Michalowski (MN) 6-3, 7-6 (10)
- No. 4 - Will Farah (UM) def. Jorge Duenas (MN) 6-4, 2-6, 6-2
- No. 5 - Jon Svensson (MN) def. Brook Blain (UM) 6-3, 7-5
- No. 6 - John Long (UM) def. Tyson Parry (MN) 7-5, 6-3

Doubles

- No. 1 - Swan/Blain (UM) def. Michalowski/Parry (MN) 8-5
- No. 2 - Wright/Jake Raiton (UM) def. Chicoine/Duenas (MN) 8-3
- No. 3 - Selkirk/Martin Kristofferson (MN) def. Miki Pusztai/Long (UM) 9-8

Records

Singles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Tom Chicoine	17-15	4-10	13-5	4-10					
Adam Selkirk	9-16	5-7	4-9	1-0	3-6	1-1			
M. Michalowski	16-14	4-8	12-6		3-1	1-7			
Jorge Duenas	17-15	5-8	12-9			3-3	2-4	0-1	
Tyson Parry	14-13	6-5	8-8				1-1	3-3	2-1
Jon Svensson	20-8	14-0	7-8			2-0	4-0	4-0	4-0
M. Kristoffersen	14-7	8-0	6-7					2-0	6-0
Ed Marques	2-8		2-8						
Voke Okoh	0-2		0-2						

Doubles

Doubles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3
Michalowski/Parry	13-11	2-8	11-3	2-8		
Chicoine/Duenas	8-11	3-5	5-6		3-5	
Chicoine/Michal.	1-0	1-0	0-0	1-0		
Duenas/Svensson	2-0	2-1	0-0	1-0		1-0
Kristoff./Selkirk	2-0	2-0	0-0			2-0
Selkirk/Svensson	9-6	5-3	4-3			5-3
Kristoff./Svensson	3-1	1-0	2-1		1-0	
Kristoffersen/Parry	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-1	0-1	
Marques/Dvorak	1-1		1-1			
Marques/Okoh	1-1		1-1			
Chicoine/Kristoff.	0-1	0-1		0-1		
Chicoine/Michal.	1-0	1-0	1-0			
Selkirk/Parry	0-1	0-1				
Duenas/Kristoff.	0-1	0-1				

TRACK & FIELD

THIS WEEK: The Golden Gophers travel 15 competitors to the Sea Ray Relays in Knoxville, Tenn., Friday and Saturday, April 10-11.

ABOUT THE SEA RAYS: The four-day event gets underway Wednesday with the decathlon and heptathlon. Minnesota will compete Friday and Saturday with 10 events the first day and three events the following day. The U of M will have athletes in the throws, high jump, vault, steeplechase, hurdles, 800-meter run and 400-meter dash and two relays.

LAST YEAR AT THE SEA RAYS:

Senior **CHAD YENCHESKY** (DePere, Wis.) qualified provisionally for the NCAA Championships in the shot put, tossing 17.60m (57-9). His throw placed him second.

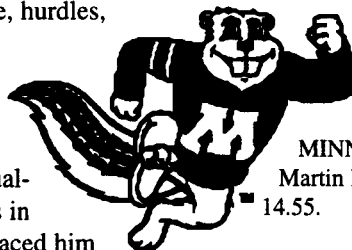
The 4x110 relay team took third and the sprint medley team finished fourth. Senior **NILES DENEEN** (St. Paul, Minn.) also placed sixth in the 110-meter hurdles.

LAST ACTION: **NILES DENEEN** finished fifth in the 110-meter hurdles at the Texas Relays in Austin, Texas, while three Golden Gophers took titles at the Bolstorff Time Trials hosted by Macalester College Saturda in Minneapolis.

Deneen posted a time of 14.32 to win the event. **BRIAN MEYER** (Bloomington, Minn.) took the 400-meter dash title (49.22), along with **JOSH BRANG** (Winona, Minn.) who won the 800-meter run (1:55.74) and **JEREMY POLSON** (Duluth, Minn.) who won the 1,500-meter (3:56.46) at Macalester College. Polson led a group of Golden Gophers who took four of the top five places, including first.

Texas Relays Austin, Texas

April 1-4, 1998



UNIVERSITY MEN'S 110 METER HURDLES

1. John McAfee, BAYLOR 14.01; 2. Kevin Hamilton, TEXAS 14.07; 3. Michael Robbins, NORTHEAST LA 14.12; 4. Rashad Stafford, RICE 14.29; 5. Niles Deneen, MINNESOTA 14.32; 6. Jok Tan Byerly, UTSA 14.33; 7. Martin Dossett, BAYLOR 14.51; 8. John Buschema, FLORIDA 14.55.

UNIVERSITY MEN'S 5,000 METER RUN

1. Jason Larabee, OKLAHOMA 14:13.04; 2. Michael Njenga, TEXAS TECH 14:13.82; 3. David Lagat, TCU 14:32.76; 4. Ricardo Amezcua, KANSAS 14:43.70; 5. Rob Evans, FLORIDA 14:45.98; 6. Jerry Pullins, KANSAS 14:47.07; 7. Devin Elizoudo, U C L A 14:49.68; 8. Rob Genzel, STEPHEN F. A 14:52.36; MINN Finisher: 10. Rick Obleman, MINNESOTA 14:57.66;

UNIV/COLL MEN'S DISCUS THROW

1. John Davis, HOUSTON 59.72m (195-11); 2. Andy Kokhanovsky, ACU 58.38m (191-06); 3. Alex Forst, L S U 58.36m (191-06); 4. Luke

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Sullivan, U C L A 58.04m (190-05); 5. Stefanos Konstas, UTEP 54.46m (178-08); 6. Ed Stansbury, U C L A 53.62m (175-11); 7. Adam Reed, MINNESOTA 53.04m (174-0); 8. Kevin Mannon, WYOMING 52.92m (173-07); 8. Mark Roos, Unattached 52.92m (173-07);

UNIV/COLL MEN'S HIGH JUMP

1. Mark Boswell, TEXAS 2.29m (7-06); 2. Charles Austin, Unattached 2.25m (7-04.50); 3. Ivan Wagner, TEXAS 2.21m (7-03); 4. Ronald Nelson, PRAIRIE VIEW 2.18m (7-01.75); 5. Nathan Leeper, KANSAS STATE 2.18m (7-01.75); 6. Craig Geter, SOUTHERN - B 2.15m (7-00.50); 6. Eric Bishop, NORTH CAROLI 2.15m (7-00.50); 8. Tyler McCormick, MINNESOTA 2.15m (7-00.50);

Bolstroff Time Trial Macalester College April 4, 1998

Men's 400-meter Dash

1. Brian Meyer, MINN, 49.22; 2. Zach Jones, CARLETON, 49.31; 3. Tony Lorenzen, JAMESTWN, 49.52; 4. Brian Lynch, MARY, 49.81; 5. Jason Owen, MINN, 49.85; OTHER MINN FINISHERS: 7. Ron Hoffner, MINN, 51.03; 15. Glen Lindqvist, MINN, 52.72.

Men's 800-meter Run

1. Josh Brang, MINN, 1:55.74; 2. Walt Stevens, JAMESTWN, 1:56.34; Ryan Olson, SJU, 1:56.37; 4. Jarrod Herbers, MARY, 1:56.45; Norbert Typek, MARY, 1:57.52.

Men's 1,500-meter Run

1. Jeremy Polson, MINN, 3:56.46; 2. Joey Corr, UNATT, 3:59.46; 3. Eric Hartmark, MINN, 4:01.85; 4. Charlie McClure, MINN, 4:04.12; 5. Todd Landgraff, MINN, 4:04.73; OTHER MINN FINISHER: 8. Matt Carter, MINN, 4:08.51

Men's 5,000-meter Run

1. John Krueger, SJU, 15:10.44; 2. Dan Simmons, SJU, 15:13.64; 3. Phil Smith, MINN, 15:32.48; 4. Chuck Smith, MINN, 15:34.05; 5. Chris Hassing, HAMLINE, 15:35.60; OTHER MINN FINISHER: 8. Chris Rogers, MINN, 16:01.24

Men's Shot Put

1. JJ Syvaud, JAMESTWN, 16.57m; 2. Darwin Dumonceaux, SJU, 15.08m; 3. Ryan Kooy, BETHEL, 13.86m; 4. Glenn Lindqvist, MINN, 13.64m; 5. Herber Kennedy, HAMLINE, 13.35m