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ROELL CONTINUES TO IMPROVE

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota sophomore basketball player Lisa Roell is proof that hard work pays off. Roell continued to improve in 1992-93 while bettering her numbers in nearly every statistical category from a year ago.

Roell, one of the first to be called upon in critical game situations, posted her best performance of the season against Wisconsin-Green Bay in the sixth game of the year, when she scored a career-high seven points. Roell was perfect from both the floor and the line, connecting on 2-of-2 from the field (including one three-point goal) and 2-of-2 from the charity stripe. She also recorded one rebound and one steal in nine minutes of play.

Roell finished the season averaging 1.7 ppg and 4.9 minutes per game. Always a three-point threat, she connected on five of 13 attempts from long-range for the best three-point shooting percentage on the team.

As a freshman in 1991-92, Roell appeared in 20 games and averaged .9 ppg in 3.5 minutes of play per game.

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As a prep star at North Dickinson High School in Iron Mountain, Mich., Roell set the single season scoring record in the Upper Peninsula, finishing her senior season with 1,773 career points. She was an all-

LISA ROELL — CAREER STATS — Roell is majoring in pre-pharmacy at Minnesota.

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	M-A/PCT	FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/ D	TO	BLK	MIN
1991-92	20/0	5/20	.250	3-11/.273	4/6	.667	17	.9	6	.3	5	1	4/ 0	4	0	70
1992-93	15/0	9/27	.333	5-13/.385	2/2	1.000	25	1.7	12	.8	1	2	8/ 0	6	0	74
Totals	35/0	14/47	.298	8-24/.333	6/8	.750	42	1.2	18	.5	6	3	12/ 0	10	0	144



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COATES FINDS PLACE IN LINEUP

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota junior basketball player Nikki Coates came into her own as a player for the Gophers in 1992-93, earning the starting point guard position after the graduation of Holly Thompson, the Gophers' floor leader for the previous three seasons. Coates received the starting nod in the second game and started 23 of Minnesota's 26 games.

Coates scored a season-high 16 points against Santa Clara in the first round of the Diet Pepsi Shootout, hitting 6-of-8 field goal attempts and connecting on three of four field goals. She scored the Gophers' last five points in that game, including a three-point goal with 0:25 left and the winning basket with 0:16 left.

The team leader in assists with 104, Coates finished the season fourth in the Big Ten in that category with 4.1 per game. She recorded five or more assists 14 times and recorded a career-high six steals against Illinois. Coates started 17 of the first 18 games of the season before being sidelined for two games while recovering from a grade two concussion suffered on Feb. 14 against Northwestern.

As a freshman in 1988-89, Coates suffered a season-ending knee injury after only four games and redshirted the season. She started 14 games in 1990-91 while averaging 4.9 ppg and last year had a hot and cold season, appearing in just 17 games and averaging 2.9 ppg.

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As a prep star at Leavenworth High School, Coates was named Miss Basketball as a senior and was the recipient of the Greater Kansas City-Missouri area scholar-athlete award. A psychology major at Minnesota, Coates is interested in working with children.

NIKKI COATES — CAREER STATS — LEAVENWORTH, KS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	M-A/PCT	FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/D	TO	BLK	MIN
1989-90	4/0	2/2	1.000	0-0/.000	1/3	.333	5	1.3	1	.3	3	3	2/0	5	0	24
1990-91	27/14	49/162	.302	18-56/.321	17/23	.739	133	4.9	46	1.7	46	32	54/1	63	1	514
1991-92	17/0	15/51	.294	4-15/.267	15/21	.714	49	2.9	20	1.2	20	15	20/0	25	1	190
<u>1992-93</u>	<u>24/23</u>	<u>51/143</u>	<u>.357</u>	<u>11-45/.244</u>	<u>54/73</u>	<u>.740</u>	<u>167</u>	<u>7.0</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>3.2</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>75/1</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>726</u>
Totals	72/37	117/358	.327	33-116/.284	87/120	.725	354	4.9	144	2.0	173	103	151/2	179	3	1454



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CARVER SETS RECORDS IN FINAL SEASON AS A GOPHER

(Minneapolis, MN) —Stacy Carver was Minnesota's cocaptain and lone senior on the 1992-93 Gopher basketball squad. But her contributions to the team go much deeper. A starter for the last three seasons, Carver set the school record for three-point goals in a single game when she connected on nine trifectas — just one shy of the NCAA record — against Boise State in the championship game of the 1992-93 Diet Pepsi Shootout in Santa Clara, Calif. The previous record for threes in a game was six. She was named to the all-tournament team for her performance.

Carver finished the season as the team's second-leading scorer with a 10.4 ppg average and top long-range shooter with 43 three-point goals, which ranks third on Minnesota's season record list. Her 126 three-point attempts is the most ever in a season for the Gophers. She was tenth in the conference in three-point goals per game with 1.17.

Carver, one of only two players to start all 26 games, had 11 double-figure scoring games as a senior, including a career-high 33 points against Boise State. She recorded 26 points, including four three-pointers, and tied her career high with 10 rebounds on the road against Purdue. She recorded a career-high seven assists against Wisconsin in the next-to-last game of the season.

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As a prep star at Buffalo High School, Carver was named the 1989 *Star Tribune* Metro Player of the Year and the Wright County Female Athlete of the Year. She was named All-American by both *Converse* and *Parade Magazine*. Stacy was also a member of the AAU state championship team and was named Minnesota's player of the year by *USA Today*, Gatorade and the Atlanta Tip-off club. To top it off, Carver was also invited to the U.S. Olympic Trials.

Stacy ended her five-year career at Buffalo with a total of 1,857 points after starting in 104 consecutive varsity games. She averaged 26.6 points and 14.0 rebounds per game in her high school career.

STACY CARVER— CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/D	TO	BLK	MIN
				M-A/PCT													
1989-90	28/0	26/69	.377	2-9/.222		8/12	.667	62	2.2	28	1.0	11	8	12/0	15	0	179
1990-91	25/14	94/245	.384	15-57/.263		31/40	.775	234	9.4	93	3.7	36	16	56/0	76	8	600
1991-92	26/25	96/252	.366	20-77/.260		34/44	.773	246	9.5	119	4.6	55	20	41/1	78	4	699
<u>1992-93</u>	<u>26/26</u>	<u>99/277</u>	<u>.357</u>	<u>43-126/.341</u>		<u>28/36</u>	<u>.778</u>	<u>269</u>	<u>10.4</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>4.6</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>43/0</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>728</u>
Totals	105/66	315/843	.374	80-269/.297		101/132	.765	811	7.7	360	3.4	156	69	152/1	227	15	2206



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STAFFORD REBOUNDS FROM INJURY

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota freshman basketball player Cheri Stafford did not get off to the kind of start that she would have liked to in her first year of play, but her patience paid off and she proved to be an important contributor to the team.

Stafford was forced to sit out for the first five games of the season after being diagnosed with a stress fracture. But after rehabilitation and a lot of patience, Stafford checked into her first collegiate game against Wisconsin-Green Bay and proved that she was worth the wait, as she scored 12 points and led the team in rebounding with nine boards. That was her top performance of the season, while another was at home against Michigan, where she scored six points and pulled down five rebounds in 13 minutes of play.

Stafford appeared in 20 games, averaging 1.9 ppg and 2.0 rpg in 6.9 minutes per game.

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As a prep star at Blaine High School, Stafford was all-conference, all-metro and all-state for two years. She is a pre-secondary education major at Minnesota.

CHERI STAFFORD— CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/ D	TO	BLK	MIN
				M-A/PCT													
1992-93	20/0	16/29	.552	0-1/.000		6/9	.667	38	1.9	39	2.0	4	7	17/ 0	7	2	138



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LOEBLEIN HAS HOT AND COLD SEASON

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota sophomore basketball player Shannon Loeblein started out the 1992-93 season slowly but rebounded to turn in some strong performances after mid-season. Loeblein was one of the first players off the bench and was counted on for her aggressive play. She played in 25 games and once got the starting nod at guard.

After averaging 8.9 minutes and 2.3 ppg in the first 11 games, Loeblein picked up the pace and averaged 6.6 ppg in 16.3 minutes per game in the last 14 contests.

Loeblein's best performance of the season came at home against Michigan, when she tied her career high with 18 points. She shot 6-of-10 from the field in that game and connected on five-of-five from three-point range. She recorded four double-figure scoring games during the year and finished the season sixth in scoring with 4.7 ppg.

As a freshman in 1991-92, Loeblein recorded nine double-figure scoring games. Her best offensive performance was against Illinois, when she scored 18 points, connecting on 9-of-10 shots from the free throw line, and shot 80 percent from the floor. The team's top three-point shooter, Loeblein shot 28 percent from long-range. She finished the season fourth in scoring with a 6.9 ppg average.

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As a prep star at St. Paul's Harding High, Loeblein was named Minnesota's 1991 Miss Basketball. She was an all-state selection, the 1990 and 1991 metro player of the year and *USA Today* Minnesota player of the year as a junior and senior. As a senior, Loeblein guided Harding to a runner-up finish in the state championship game.

SHANNON LOEBLEIN — CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/ D	TO	BLK	MIN
				M-A/PCT													
1991-92	26/2	62/168	.369	19/69		37/53	.698	180	6.9	52	2.0	36	30	52/0	60	1	404
<u>1992-93</u>	<u>25/1</u>	<u>40/113</u>	<u>.354</u>	<u>14/37</u>		<u>24/30</u>	<u>.800</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>4.7</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>2.1</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>32/ 0</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>327</u>
Total	51/3	102/281	.362	33/106		61/83	.735	298	5.8	104	2.0	70	39	84/ 0	96	3	731



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ALEXANDER FINDS ROLE AS STABILIZER

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota junior basketball player Nancy Alexander may not have posted spectacular numbers in her third season as a Gopher, but her ability to come off the bench and perform consistently was a stabilizing force for the team.

Alexander finished the 1992-93 season with a 1.1 ppg average and .6 rpg while playing 6.1 minutes per game. Her best performance came against Wisconsin in the next-to-last game of the season when she scored a season-high six points and tied her career high in rebounding with five in 10 minutes of play. She appeared in 21 games and more than doubled her playing time from a year ago.

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As a prep star at Brockport High School in New York, Alexander set the school scoring record with 1,310 points and averaged 22.5 ppg and 14.5 rpg as a senior. She was team captain her last two years and also played varsity soccer. Alexander is a child psychology major at Minnesota.

NANCY ALEXANDER— CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/ D	TO	BLK	MIN
				M-A/PCT													
1990-91	24/0	35/73	.479	0-0/.000		9/17	.529	21	.09	25	1.1	24	22	29/ 0	31	0	209
1991-92	12/0	4/20	.200	1-4/.250		2/2	1.000	11	.92	10	.91	1	0	4/ 0	6	0	53
1992-93	21/0	10/33	.303	0-1/.000		3/5	.600	23	1.1	13	.6	6	2	9/ 0	13	0	127
Totals	57/0	49/126	.389	1-5/.200		14/24	.583	55	.97	48	.84	31	24	42/ 0	50	0	389



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FLINT STEPS UP PLAY

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota junior basketball player Crystal Flint stepped up her performance on the court, upping her scoring average from 3.1 ppg as a sophomore to 8.6 ppg as a junior. Flint was a leader both on and off the floor in 1992-93, serving as a team cocaptain.

Flint started 24 games for the Gophers and appeared in all 26, scoring a then-career high 12 points in the first game of the season. Flint went on to break her career high in scoring four times during the season, topping out at 19 points against Wisconsin in the next-to-last game. She scored in double figures in 14 games and in 11 of the last 15 contests. Her 8.6 ppg average was fourth-best on the team.

Flint also stepped up a level in rebounding, bettering her career high in the first game of the season with eight rebounds. She later surpassed that, totaling a career-high 11 boards. Flint recorded 13 blocks for the season, second on the team in that category, after denying just five shots in her first two seasons.

As a freshman in 1990-91, Flint played in just three games before a knee injury ended her season. She rebounded her sophomore year, earning the team's most improved award while finishing the season first on the team in field goal percentage.

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As a prep star at South Boston High, Flint was the leading scorer on the *Boston Globe* and *Boston Herald* high school charts. A pre-BIS major, Flint's career interests include becoming a sports commentator, color analyst or talk show host.

CRYSTAL FLINT — CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/D	TO	BLK	MIN
				M-A/PCT													
1990-91	3/0	4/5	.800	0-0/.000		2/3	.667	10	3.3	3	1.0	2	2	0/0	5	0	30
1991-92	25/1	28/49	.571	0-0/.000		22/36	.611	78	3.1	48	1.9	10	12	25/0	21	5	205
1992-93	<u>26/24</u>	<u>91/187</u>	<u>.487</u>	<u>0-2/.000</u>		<u>42/67</u>	<u>.627</u>	<u>224</u>	<u>8.6</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>4.8</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>66/1</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>672</u>
TOTALS	54/25	123/241	.510	0-0/.000		66/106	.623	312	5.8	176	3.3	37	36	91/1	72	18	907



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KLOTZBEECHER STEPS UP PLAY

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota junior basketball player Mary Klotzbeecheer stepped up her play in her third season, backing up starter Nikki Coates at the point guard position and providing a defensive spark off the bench.

Klotzbeecheer appeared in all 26 games and averaged 12.2 minutes per game. She recorded her first two collegiate starts at Indiana and Purdue in mid-February, filling in for Coates, who was recovering from a concussion. She recorded career highs in scoring, rebounding and assists, scoring 13 points against Marquette, seven rebounds against Indiana and eight assists against Michigan. She finished the season averaging 1.2 ppg and 1.4 rpg. Her best overall performance came against Marquette, where she shot 6-of-7 from the field while recording three rebounds, four assists and four steals.

As a sophomore in 1991-92, Klotzbeecheer appeared in 19 games, averaged 10 minutes of playing time and 2.1 ppg.

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As a prep star at Bishop McDevitt High School in Harrisburg, Pa., Klotzbeecheer captained the team her last two years and was named to the *Patriot News* Big 15 team as a senior. She is a sociology major at Minnesota.

MARY KLOTZBEECHER— CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	M-A/PCT	FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/ D	TO	BLK	MIN
1990-91	23/0	6/16	.375	0-0/.000	9/17	.529	21	.9	25	1.1	24	22	26/ 0	31	0	209
1991-92	19/0	9/24	.375	1-6/.167	20/34	.588	39	2.1	18	1.0	11	18	20/ 0	35	2	194
1992-93	26/2	11/35	.314	1-7/.143	9/22	.409	32	1.2	35	1.4	39	25	40/ 0	42	0	317
Totals	68/2	26/75	.347	2-13/.154	38/73	.521	92	1.4	78	1.1	74	72	86/ 0	108	2	720



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LAWLER LOOKED TO FOR CONSISTENCY

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota sophomore basketball player Lori Lawler proved to be a valuable member of the 1992-93 Gopher squad, coming off the bench to provide consistent play at guard. Lawler started five games and appeared in 25 during the season.

Lawler opened up the season with an eight-point, five-assist performance against Kansas at Williams Arena. She shot 5-of-6 from the foul line while adding a three-point goal and recording four rebounds. The five assists was her best of the season and tied a career high. Lawler's best performance of the season came in the next-to-last game, when she scored a season-high 10 points, shooting 4-of-5 from the field (1-of-1 from three-point range), and recording three rebounds and two steals in 19 minutes of play. Lawler finished the season with a 3.2 ppg and 2.1 rpg average.

As a freshman in 1991-92, Lawler saw the most playing time among the newcomers and started three games. She was one of the team's top free throw shooters, connecting on 83 percent of her attempts.

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As a prep star at Rochester's Lourdes High School, Lawler helped lead the team to a 30-0 record her senior season and second consecutive Class IA state championship. She holds the Lourdes career assist record with 388 in four years. Lawler averaged 17.4 ppg and 4.6 assists per game as a senior.

LORI LAWLER— CAREER STATS

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				M-A/PCT													
1991-92	26/3	39/92	.391	14-40/.350		44/53	.350	130	5.0	63	2.4	35	16	43/ 0	32	1	413
1992-93	25/5	25/81	.309	5-17/.294		26/40	.650	81	3.2	47	1.9	28	13	40/ 0	34	1	368
Totals	51/8	64/173	.370	19-57/.333		70/93	.753	211	4.1	110	2.2	63	29	83/ 0	66	2	781



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MCNULTY MAKES IMPACT AS FRESHMAN

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota freshman basketball player Kelly McNulty made an immediate impact in her first season as a Gopher and shows much promise for the future. McNulty, one of three freshmen on the 1992-93 squad, averaged 2.2 ppg and appeared in 21 games.

McNulty made her first appearance in the second game of the season, scoring two points and recording three rebounds. In her second appearance, McNulty helped the Gophers to an 82-80 victory over Santa Clara with her nine points and three blocked shots in 17 minutes of play. Her best scoring game came on the road against Penn State, when she scored 10 points, connecting on four-of-five shots from the field and two-of-two from the line. Her 8.9 minutes per game was the most of any freshman and her 2.2 ppg was eighth on the team.

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As a prep star at Edina High School, McNulty scored a school-record 1,201 career points and also set the all-time school rebounding record. She was an all-state selection as a senior and a *Street and Smith* honorable mention all-American.

KELLY MCNULTY— CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT M-A/PCT	FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/ D	TO	BLK	MIN
1992-93	21/0	22/44	.500	0-0/.000	3/6	.500	47	2.2	25	1.2	11	7	15/ 0	6	5	186



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NANCY SHUDLICK PAYS DUES AS FRESHMAN

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota freshman basketball player Nancy Shudlick paid her dues as a freshman, appearing in just four of the first 22 games of the season before seeing action in the last four contests. But her contributions in those contests show promise for the future.

Shudlick's best all-around performance of the season came at home against Wisconsin, when she recorded four points, three rebounds and one assist in just 10 minutes of play. She scored two points in each of four other games in which she appeared. Shudlick was a perfect six-of-six from the free throw line for the season.

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As a prep star at Apple Valley High School, Shudlick was an all-conference and all-state selection as a senior. She is the sister of teammate Carol Ann Shudlick, who is a junior and the team's leading scorer in 1992-93. Nancy is a pre-psychology major at Minnesota.

NANCY SHUDLICK— CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/ D	TO	BLK	MIN
				M-A/PCT													
1992-93	8/0	3/8	.375	0-0	.000	6/6	1.000	12	1.5	9	1.1	3	2	1/ 0	3	1	47



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CAROL ANN SHUDLICK NAMED HONORABLE MENTION KODAK ALL-AMERICA, ALL-BIG TEN

(Minneapolis, MN) — University of Minnesota basketball star Carol Ann Shudlick just keeps getting better. After an outstanding sophomore season, Shudlick completed her junior season this year with a list of honors and records that will no longer allow her to go unnoticed.

Shudlick was named to the District IV All-America team and Kodak honorable mention all-America team, recognizing her as one of the top 45 players in the nation. She is only the third Minnesota player to receive such an honor. Shudlick was also named to the All-Big Ten first team, Minnesota's first such selection since Laura Coenen in 1985. Other season honors earned by Shudlick include being named to the academic All-Big Ten team and being named the Big Ten Player of the Week a conference-high three times.

Her honors speak for themselves, but her consistent performances are what stand out. Shudlick scored in double figures in all games as a junior, in 27 consecutive games and has reached double digits in 63 of 77 career games. She finished the season fifth on Minnesota's all-time scoring list with 1,419 career points and is just 22 points away from moving into fourth. Shudlick scored her 1,000th career point on Dec. 30, 1992. Her season scoring total of 587 points is second on the Gopher all-time season scoring list and she finished the season as the nation's seventh leading scorer with 22.6 ppg.

Shudlick led the Big Ten in scoring the entire season, averaging 21.7 ppg in conference games. She was also among the conference leaders in several other categories — fourth in field goal percentage (.540), seventh in rebounding (8.1 rpg) and seventh in blocked shots (1.22/game).

Shudlick scored 30 points or better five times as a junior, including her season-high performance of 36 points against Boise State in the finals of the Diet Pepsi Shootout Dec. 19-20 in Santa Clara, Calif. She was named MVP of the tournament for her performance after setting shootout records for points in a single game and points in the tournament (66). Shudlick also posted double figures in rebounding seven times, including a career-high 16 boards against Marquette.

The team leader in field goal percentage (.538) and blocks (30), Shudlick was second on the team in free throw percentage (.779) and steals (47).

Shudlick's numbers this season were an improvement over an outstanding sophomore campaign when she hit double-figure scoring in 26 of 27 games, 20-point or better performances in 13 games and better than 30 points twice. Her sophomore season also saw her lead the team in scoring with 20.3 ppg, while finishing second in the Big Ten in overall scoring, fifth in field goal percentage (.514) and eighth in free throw percentage (.714).

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Shudlick's play has not gone unnoticed by opposing coaches and players. Said Wisconsin coach Mary Murphy after Shudlick scored 31 points in a 75-72 Badger win over Minnesota: "Carol Ann Shudlick is like money in the bank. They just keep going to her and going to her. And she just kept putting it down. We tried big, we tried small, we tried roughing her up, we tried quickness. The woman is legit. I kept thinking, I don't know how she's doing it, but she keeps doing it to us."

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As a prep star at Apple Valley High School, Shudlick was named Minnesota's 1990 Miss Basketball. She was also the 1990 Gatorade Minnesota Player of the Year and the 1989 *St. Paul Pioneer Press* Athlete of the Year. Shudlick scored 1,558 points and had 1,111 rebounds in her four-year high school career.

Shudlick's Career stats

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT		FT/FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/D	TO	BLK	MIN
				M-A/PCT													
1990-91	24/11	107/230	.465	0-0/.000		71/97	.732	285	11.9	126	5.3	25	30	73/1	45	12	523
1991-92	27/26	226/440	.514	0-1/.000		95/133	.714	547	20.3	190	7.0	39	30	107/7	53	14	805
<u>1992-93</u>	<u>26/26</u>	<u>253/470</u>	<u>.538</u>	<u>0-2/.000</u>		<u>81/104</u>	<u>.779</u>	<u>587</u>	<u>22.6</u>	<u>215</u>	<u>8.3</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>83/5</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>840</u>
Totals	77/63	586/1140	.514	0-3/.000		247/334	.740	1419	18/4	531	6.9	125	106	263/13	174	62	2168



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PEARSON EARNS HONORABLE MENTION ALL-BIG TEN HONORS AS SOPHOMORE

(Minneapolis, MN) —Minnesota sophomore basketball player Cara Pearson made great strides in her performance this past season, earning a starting forward spot and being named to the honorable mention all-Big Ten team. Pearson doubled her point performance from her freshman season, averaging 8.8 ppg as a sophomore compared to 4.4 ppg as a first-year player.

Pearson earned the starting spot in the fourth game of the year and retained it for the final 23 games of the season. She posted her best performance of the season at home against Penn State, recording a career-high 21 points while adding 11 rebounds and two blocked shots. She finished the season third on the team in scoring (8.8 rpg), scoring in double figures nine times, and second in rebounding (5.5 rpg). Her 13 rebounds at Wisconsin was a career best.

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As a prep star at St. Paul's Harding High, Pearson was an all-state selection as a senior, when her Harding team went to the state championship, finishing second. Pearson averaged 19.1 ppg and 10.0 rpg as a junior. She is a pre-medicine major at Minnesota.

CARA PEARSON— CAREER STATS

YEAR	G/GS	FG/FGA	FG%	3-POINT			PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	AST	STL	PF/ D	TO	BLK	MIN
				M-A/PCT	FT/FTA	FT%										
1991-92	27/2	42/122	.344	0-0/.000	34/46	.739	118	4.4	95	3.5	24	19	56/ 1	42	5	409
<u>1992-93</u>	<u>26/23</u>	<u>92/224</u>	<u>.411</u>	<u>0-0/.000</u>	<u>44/64</u>	<u>.688</u>	<u>288</u>	<u>8.8</u>	<u>142</u>	<u>5.5</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>87/ 3</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>675</u>
Totals	53/26	134/346	.387	0-0/.000	78/110	.709	406	7.6	237	4.5	63	51	143/ 4	121	14	1084