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CULIK COMPLETES FINAL SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Senior Susan Culik of Chapin, SC, and Chapin High School, ended her final season with the University of Minnesota women's tennis team earlier this month.

Culik finished the season with a record of 19-19 overall at the number two and four singles positions for the Gophers. Culik was the Gophers hottest player at the end of the season winning her last nine of 10 matches and was undefeated in both singles and doubles in the month of March.

Culik also played doubles for the Gophers this season at the number two and three positions. Culik, who teamed with **Bridget Ferguson**, was 20-4 in doubles and finished the spring season with a 19-2 record. Culik and Ferguson's .833 doubles winning percentage ranks them fourth in the history of the program.

During her career, Culik collected 65 singles wins and 51 doubles victories for the Gophers and had 20 or more wins in singles or doubles twice.

As a team, the Gophers finished the season 9-14 overall and 4-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They placed seventh at the Big Ten Conference tournament with a victory over Ohio State and losses to Indiana and Illinois.

Culik also was a star in the classroom for the Gophers. She was named a "Top Five" recipient for the second time in her career, which recognizes the five student-athletes with the highest GPA's in the department. She is also a three-time all-Big Ten selection and a two-time CoSIDa academic all-district selection.

Culik has a 3.91 GPA in chemistry and has had eight quarters of a perfect 4.0 GPA. She plans to go to graduate school studying chemistry at either Georgia Tech, North Carolina or Emory University.

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FERGUSON COMPLETES FINAL SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Senior **Bridget Ferguson** of Burnsville, Minn., and Eden Prairie High School, ended her final season with the University of Minnesota women's tennis team earlier this month.

Ferguson finished the season with a record of 12-19 overall at the number six singles positions for the Gophers. At one point in the season, Ferguson won five matches in a row from January 28-February 11.

Ferguson also played doubles for the Gophers this season at the number two and three positions. Ferguson, who teamed with Susan Culik, was 20-4 in doubles and finished the spring season with a 19-2 record. Culik and Ferguson's .833 doubles winning percentage ranks them fourth in the history of the program.

During her career, Ferguson collected 25 singles wins and 28 doubles victories for the Gophers, after transferring before her junior season from Gustavus Adolphus.

As a team, the Gophers finished the season 9-14 overall and 4-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They placed seventh at the Big Ten Conference tournament with a victory over Ohio State and losses to Indiana and Illinois.

Ferguson also performed in the classroom for the Gophers. She was named an academic all-Big Ten selection this season with a 3.61 GPA in microbiology.

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HAYES COMPLETES FIRST SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

First-year player Jennifer Hayes of Fond du Lac, Wisc., and Goodrich High School, ended her first season with the University of Minnesota women's tennis team earlier this month.

Hayes finished the season with a record of 11-19 overall at the number five singles position for the Gophers. Hayes won five of seven matches for the Gophers from January 20-February 11.

Hayes also played doubles for the Gophers this season at the number two and three positions. Hayes, who teamed with Jenni Svehla, was 12-14 in doubles and finished the year strong with wins over teams from Ohio State and Penn State.

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PETERSON COMPLETES JUNIOR SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Junior Dana Peterson of Apple Valley, Minn., and Apple Valley High School, ended her junior season with the University of Minnesota women's tennis team earlier this month.

Peterson finished the season with a record of 15-19 overall at the number two and three singles positions for the Gophers. At one point in the season, Peterson won nine of 12 matches for Minnesota from January 4-February 19.

Peterson also played doubles for the Gophers this season at the number one position. Peterson, who teamed with Tiffany Gates, was 22-10 in doubles and finished the spring season with a 15-6 record. Gates and Peterson were ranked as high as 30th in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings earlier this season and won the Notre Dame Invitational doubles title.

As a team, the Gophers finished the season 9-14 overall and 4-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They placed seventh at the Big Ten Conference tournament with a victory over Ohio State and losses to Indiana and Illinois.

Peterson also performed in the classroom for the Gophers. She was named an academic all-Big Ten selection this season with a 3.74 GPA in Biology.

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SVEHLA COMPLETES FIRST SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

First-year player Jenni Svehla of Naperville, Ill., and Central High School, ended her first season with the University of Minnesota women's tennis team earlier this month.

Svehla finished the season with a record of 16-20 overall at the number three and four singles positions for the Gophers. At one point in the season, Svehla won nine of 12 matches for the Gophers from January 4-February 11.

Svehla also played doubles for the Gophers this season at the number two and three positions. Svehla, who teamed with Jennifer Hayes, was 12-14 in doubles and finished the year strong with wins over teams from Ohio State twice and Penn State.

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TENNIS HOMETOWN RELEASE #4

GATES INVITED TO NCAA'S: GOPHERS SEVENTH AT BIG TEN MEET

Sophomore TIFFANY GATES (GRANDVILLE, MI) was extended an invitation to participate in the 1995 NCAA Women's Tennis Championships May 12-20 in Malibu, Calif., last week. Gates becomes the first player in Minnesota women's tennis history to be invited to the NCAA tournament and is one of 64 players across the country to participate. The singles draw and Gates' opponent will be announced later this week.

Gates finished the regular season 26-10 and 11-2 in the Big Ten at the number one singles position. She is ranked 55th in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings, her highest ranking ever during her career at Minnesota. Gates had victories over six nationally-ranked opponents in the spring, including Wendy Crabtree of Notre Dame, who is ranked 16th in the country.

In doubles, Gates was just as tough as she teamed with junior DANA PETERSON (APPLE VALLEY, MN) in the number one position throughout the season. Gates and Peterson finished the year 22-10 and 10-3 in the Big Ten Conference. The duo was ranked as high as 30th in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings earlier this season.

GATES NAMED ALL-BIG TEN AND ATHLETE OF MONTH--Gates, who was a perfect 3-0 in singles at the Big Ten Championships in Champaign, Ill., was named all-Big Ten for the second time in her career. She then returned home to be named the Minnesota Women's Athletic Department Athlete of the Month for April after going 14-2 for the month.

GOPHERS PLACE SEVENTH AT BIG TEN'S--Minnesota finished seventh at the Big Ten Championships May 26-30 in Champaign, Ill. The Gophers defeated Ohio State in the first round, then lost to number one seed and eventual champion Indiana and fourth-seeded Illinois. It was the fourth consecutive year Minnesota has placed seventh at the Big Ten Championships. On the season, Minnesota finished the year 9-14 in dual meet action and 4-9 in the Big Ten Conference.

In the first round against Ohio State, Minnesota received singles victories from Gates, Peterson, SUSAN CULIK (CHAPIN, SC) and JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI) to take a 4-2 lead going into doubles. The Gopher clinched the match when Hayes and JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL) defeated the number two team from Ohio State in straight sets and moved on to play top-seeded Indiana.

RELEASE #4...2...2...2

Minnesota 6, Ohio State 3

Tiffany Gates def. Michelle Busch	6-4, 6-2
Susan Culik def. Chrissy Splawnyk	3-6, 6-4, 7-5
Dana Peterson def. Chris Lucia	7-5, 6-2
Jenni Svehla lost to Linda Magid	6-4, 5-7, 6-3
Jennifer Hayes def. Mandy Yeley	6-3, 6-0
Bridget Ferguson lost to Myerly Kertis	5-7, 6-4, 7-5

Gates/Peterson lost to Busch/Lucia	7-6, 6-1
Culik/Ferguson def. Splawnyk/Yeley	6-1, 7-5
Svehla/Hayes def. Magid/Nahuz	6-3, 6-2

Against the Hoosiers, Minnesota's only victory came from Gates, as she defeated Holly Taylor 7-5, 6-1. The only other match that went three sets was at number four singles where Svehla lost to Megan McCarney 5-7, 6-1, 6-2.

Gates def. Holly Taylor	7-5, 6-1
Culik lost to Natasha Joshi	6-3, 6-3
Peterson lost to Lizl Coetzee	6-2, 6-3
Svehla lost to Megan McCarney	5-7, 6-1, 6-2
Hayes lost to Lee-Ann Rostovsky	6-2, 6-3
Ferguson lost to Kathy Herring	6-2, 6-0

Minnesota then played Illinois for the right to advance to the fifth place-match. Once again, Minnesota's only victory came at the number one position where Gates crushed Kristen Jones 6-3, 6-1.

Gates def. Kristen Jones	6-3, 6-1
Culik lost to Camille Baldrich	6-4, 6-4
Peterson lost to Susanne Land	6-2, 4-6, 6-2
Svehla lost to Jessica Klapper	4-6, 6-3, 7-5
Hayes lost to Lissa Kimmel	6-4, 7-5
Ferguson lost to Natalie Adsuar	6-2, 6-3

CULIK AND FERGUSON SHINE--Culik and BRDGET FERGUSON (BURNSVILLE, MN/EDEN PRARIE) finished 19-2 for the Gophers in the spring, and 20-4 overall for the Gophers this season. They won 10 of their last 12 matches during the spring and were a perfect 4-0 after moving to the number two position.

CULIK WINS MINNESOTA "TOP FIVE" AWARD--Culik was named a "Top Five" scholar-athlete award winner at the Student-Athlete Award Reception held May 2. Culik is a senior in the Institute of Technology majoring in chemistry. She will complete her chemistry degree next fall, after four years and one quarter, and has earned eight quarters of a perfect 4.0 GPA. She has a cumulative GPA of 3.91 and plans to attend graduate school next fall in chemistry.

RELEASE #4...3...3...3

NOVAK SIGNS TOP RECRUIT--Head coach Martin Novak announced the signing of Wisconsin all-state tennis player Jana Hrdinova of Stoughton, Wisc., to a national letter of intent to play at the University of Minnesota. Hrdinova will join the Gophers in the fall.

Hrdinova, a native of Czechoslovakia, won the Wisconsin Athletic Association (WIAA) Division One state championship in 1994, and was a perfect 25-0 on the season at Stoughton High School. She also was the champion of the prestigious USTA Bay Classic Tournament in Green Bay, Wisc., and the North Shore Junior Tournament in Milwaukee, Wisc., in 1994.

Hrdinova was named to the 1994 Wisconsin all-state tennis team and was the 1994 Most Valuable Athlete on the Stoughton High School squad.

"We are very pleased with Jana's decision to come to Minnesota," Novak said. "She will be a great addition to our team and will make an immediate impact on our line-up next season."

Hrdinova is the third recruit signed by Novak and the Gophers this year. In the fall, Minnesota announced the signings of Tarah Elkins of Birmingham, Mich., and Sitinee (Alice) Rangsitienchai of Flossmoor, Ill., to play at Minnesota.



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TENNIS HOMETOWN RELEASE #3

MINNESOTA CHALLENGING NATIONALLY-RANKED OPPONENTS

Minnesota is 5-6 overall and 1-3 in the Big Ten in dual meet action this season. Minnesota has defeated Baylor, Marquette, Iowa State, Western Michigan and Michigan State and lost to #30 Vanderbilt, #15 Notre Dame, #25 Michigan, #33 Wisconsin, #15 Northwestern and # 20 San Diego thus far. Here's a look at the season since the last release:

Notre Dame 6, Minnesota 3: Against Notre Dame, number one player TIFFANY GATES (GRANDVILLE, MI) defeated Notre Dame's Wendy Crabtree, ranked No. 25 in the nation, 7-5, 6-3. Minnesota's other singles win came at number six singles where BRIDGET FERGUSON (BURNSVILLE, MN/EDEN PRARIE) beat Erin Gowen, 7-6, 7-5. After singles play, Minnesota trailed 4-2.

The Gophers made it close in doubles, as the number three team of SUSAN CULIK (CHAPIN, SC) and Ferguson defeated Kelley Olson/Meredith Siegfried 6-4, 6-3, to pull the Gophers to within one match. The Gophers were up a break in the two remaining doubles matches, but could not pull out the win. The Irish doubles team of Gowen and Molly Gavin beat JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL) and JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LUC, WI/GOODRICH) 6-3, 6-3 to clinch the match for Notre Dame.

Minnesota 9, Western Michigan 0: Against Western Michigan, Minnesota completely dominated to win 9-0. Gates continued her unbeaten ways in the spring with another impressive victory at number one singles, beating Audrey Smith 6-1, 6-2. Minnesota did not lose a set against WMU.

Minnesota 9, Marquette 0: Minnesota crushed Marquette, 9-0, at the 98th Street Swim and Racquet Club. It was the second victory in a row for the Gophers and put them over the .500 mark for the season. Gates defeated Joanna Bauza in straight sets, while Peterson defeated Betty Kane.

Minnesota 9, Iowa State 0: Minnesota won its third straight match by a score of 9-0 to better its record to 4-2 heading into Big Ten play.

Minnesota 9, Michigan State 0: Minnesota got off to a good start in the Big Ten as they cruised by the Spartans, 9-0. Minnesota won every match in straight sets and did not give up anymore than six games in a match.

HOMETOWN RELEASE #3...2...2...2

Minnesota 9, Michigan State 0

Tiffany Gates def. Kim Andersen	6-0, 6-2
Dana Peterson def. Sara Hulewicz	6-4, 6-2
Jenni Svehla def. Amy Spiegel	6-1, 6-2
Susan Culik def. Angie Catron	6-2, 6-1
Jennifer Hayes def. Laura Worzniak	6-2, 6-1
Bridget Ferguson def. Kendra Barry	6-4, 6-0

Gates/Peterson def. Andersen/Hulewicz	6-2, 6-2
Svehla/Hayes def. Spiegel/Catron	6-1, 6-3
Culik/Ferguson def. Worzniak/Barry	6-3, 6-1

Michigan 8, Minnesota 1: Against the Wolverines, the Gophers were not quite as lucky, losing every match in straight sets. The loss ended Minnesota's four-match winning streak. Only the doubles team of Gates and Peterson won defeating the nationally-ranked team of Sarah and Liz Cyganiak 6-3, 7-6.

Michigan 8, Minnesota 1

Gates lost to Sara Cyganiak	6-2, 6-0
Peterson lost to Angie Popek	6-3, 6-3
Svehla lost to Jamie Fielding	6-2, 6-2
Culik lost to Sora Moon	6-3, 6-4
Hayes lost to Liz Cyganiak	6-2, 6-1
Ferguson lost to Tara Graff	6-2, 6-3

Gates./Peterson def. Cyganiak/Cyganiak	6-3, 7-6
Svehla/Hayes lost to Popek/Moon	6-2, 6-4
Culik/Ferguson lost to Fielding/Graff	6-4, 6-1

Wisconsin 6, Minnesota 3: Minnesota lost to #34 Wisconsin in Madison, Wisc., 6-3. Gates had a great win at the number one position defeating Lauren Gavaris, ranked 12th in the country, 7-5, 6-4. Minnesota's other wins came at number one singles with Peterson beating Colleen Lucey 6-2 in the third and the number three doubles team of Culik and Ferguson.

Wisconsin 6, Minnesota 3

Tiffany Gates def. #12 Lauren Gavaris	7-5, 6-4
Dana Peterson def. Colleen Lucey	3-6, 7-5, 6-2
Jenni Svehla lost to Jamie Fouret	6-2, 5-7, 6-1
Susan Culik lost to Tracy Zobrist	6-0, 6-3
Jennifer Hayes lost to Shannon Tully	6-3, 2-6, 6-0
Bridget Ferguson lost to Tina Grubisic	6-1, 3-6, 6-2

Gates/Peterson lost to Gavaris/Lucey	4-6, 7-5, 7-5
Svehla/Hayes lost to Tully/Fouret	7-5, 6-1
Culik/Ferguson def. Zobrist/Knipp	5-7, 6-4, 7-6

Northwestern 7, Minnesota 2: Northwestern won five-of-six singles matches to defeat the Gophers 7-2. Gates defeated her third ranked opponent of the spring when she trounced Siri Eklund, ranked #74 in the nation, 7-6, 6-1. Minnesota other win came at the number three doubles spot where Culik/Ferguson won by default.

HOMETOWN RELEASE #3...3...3...3

Northwestern 7, Minnesota 2

Tiffany Gates def. Siri Eklund	7-6, 6-1
Peterson lost to Marjorie Gantman	6-1, 6-2
Svehla lost to Elissa Kim	6-2, 6-2
Culik lost to Joanna Feria	6-3, 6-2
Hayes lost to Mary Beth Novak	7-5, 6-7, 6-3
Ferguson lost to Ana Gonzales	4-6, 6-2, 7-5
Gates/Peterson lost to Gantman/Eklund	1-6, 7-6, 6-2
Svehla/Hayes lost to Kim/Novak	4-6, 6-4, 7-6
Culik/Ferguson def. Gonzales/Feria	default

San Diego 7, Minnesota 2: Minnesota lost its fourth straight dual meet as it fell to #20 San Diego, 7-2, in San Diego, Calif. Gates continued her dominance this spring as she defeated Dina Birch, ranked 54th in the country, 6-1, 6-0. The Gophers other win came at the number three doubles position, where Culik/Ferguson won their third match in a row defeating Yvonne Doyle and Tasha Jackson 4-6, 6-2, 6-4.

San Diego 7, Minnesota 2

Tiffany Gates def. Dina Birch	6-1, 6-0
Dana Peterson lost to Yvonne Doyle	6-3, 6-0
Jenni Svehla lost to Kristine Smith	6-4, 5-7, 6-3
Susan Culik lost to Brigid Joyce	6-2, 6-2
Jennifer Hayes lost to Julie Baird	1-6, 7-5, 6-0
Bridget Ferguson lost to Tasha Jackson	6-1, 6-2

Gates/Peterson lost to Lindsay Blackenseed/Steffi Hesse	6-4, 4-6, 6-1
Hayes/Svehla lost to Baird/Birch	6-3, 6-4
Ferguson/Culik def. Doyle/Jackson	4-6, 6-2, 6-4

GATES ALMOST PERFECT IN DUAL MEET ACTION--Gates is 10-1 during the dual meet season for the Gophers. During that time, she has beat four nationally-ranked players, including #12 Lauren Gavaris of Wisconsin and #25 Wendy Crabtree of Notre Dame. Her only loss came against Sarah Cyganiak of Michigan, ranked #70 in the country.

CULIK AND FERGUSON SHINE--Culik and Ferguson are 10-1 in the number three doubles position for the Gophers in the spring and have won 10 of their last 11 matches. Their only loss came at the hands of Tara Graff and Jamie Fielding of Michigan.

PETERSON AND GATES RANKED-- The doubles team of Peterson and Gates is ranked No. 30 in the country and No. 4 in the region in the latest Rolex rankings. The duo has a 14-8 record this season and has defeated the nationally-ranked team of the Cyganiak sisters from Michigan.

PETERSON/GATES ON LOSING SKID--Gates and Peterson may not be ranked much longer as they have lost their last three matches, dropping their overall record to 14-8. Before the three match skid, the duo had won five in a row and seven of their last eight.

HOMETOWN RELEASE #3...4...4...4

NATIONAL RANKINGS OUT-- Minnesota is not ranked in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings, but the Gophers face 11 teams listed in the rankings including #11 Kansas, #12 Indiana, #13 Notre Dame, #15 Northwestern, #23 San Diego, #25 Michigan, #26 Vanderbilt, #33 Wisconsin, # 40 Illinois and #41 North Carolina State and #49 Furman, during the course of the season.

INJURY REPORT-- Senior AMY ERSKINE (EDINA, MN) and sophomore KATHY WAYNE (TEMPE, AZ/CORONA DEL SOL) still have not played a match for the Gophers this season. Erskine is out with shoulder injury and Wayne has a foot injury.

UP NEXT--The Gophers have three weeks off before travelling to South and North Carolina to play Furman, North Carolina State and North Carolina at the end of March. Minnesota then resumes Big Ten play when it travels to Iowa April 2. Minnesota then plays host for five straight matches when the Gophers play Illinois, Purdue, Indiana, Ohio State and Penn State in April.



January 26, 1995

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TENNIS HOMETOWN RELEASE #2

MINNESOTA STARTS SPRING SEASON WITH GOOD PERFORMANCES-- The University of Minnesota women's tennis team started the fall with a smash at the Milwaukee Classic and the Federated Insurance Court Classic.

MILWAUKEE CLASSIC--Frosh JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL) and senior SUSAN CULIK (CHAPIN, SC) had good tournaments at the Milwaukee Tennis Classic in Milwaukee, Wis. Svehla lost to Sora Moon of Michigan, 6-4, 7-6, in the consolation finals. For the tournament, Svehla finished with a 4-2 record. Culik advanced to the consolation semifinals of the Classic, also losing to Moon. Culik ended the weekend 3-2.

Sophomore and number one player TIFFANY GATES (GRANDVIEW, MI) won her first two matches, but then lost to Gulberk Gultekin of Alabama-Birmingham in the third round. Gates finished the weekend 2-1 in singles. DANA PETERSON (APPLE VALLEY, MN) and BRIDGET FERGUSON (BURNSVILLE, MN/EDEN PRARIE) completed the weekend 2-2.

The doubles teams, which had a great fall, struggled as both Culik/Ferguson and Gates/Peterson lost first-round matches. Gates/Peterson were seeded number three to start the tournament.

FEDERATED INSURANCE COURT CLASSIC--The third annual Federated Insurance Court Classic took on a new format this season, as for the first time the competition was a championship format. The Gophers lost 5-4 in the Championship match to 30th-ranked Vanderbilt, while 10th-ranked Kansas defeated Baylor for the consolation championship.

In the semifinals, Minnesota defeated Baylor 7-2. Minnesota won four of six singles matches against the Bears, including Gates thrilling three-set win over Melissa Castro in a match that took two hours and 25 minutes to complete. Other singles wins for the Gophers came from Svehla, Peterson and JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH).

Two doubles teams won as Gates/Peterson defeated Castro and Greta Gibson 6-1, 7-6 and Culik/Ferguson beat Sophie Goldschmidt and Julie Hamilton 6-4, 1-6, 6-2.

MINNESOTA vs. BAYLOR--

Tiffany Gates def. Melissa Castro	6-3, 4-6, 7-5
Susan Culik lost to Greta Gibson	3-6, 6-1, 6-4
Jenni Svehla def. Sophie Goldschmidt	6-3, 6-1
Dana Peterson def. Sarah Chester	6-2, 6-3
Jennifer Hayes def. Amber Simpson	6-2, 7-5
Bridget Ferguson lost to Carolyn McGrath	6-4, 7-6

HOMETOWN RELEASE #2...2...2...2

Minnesota vs. Baylor con't

Gates/Peterson def. Castro/Gibson	6-1, 7-6
Culik/Ferguson def. Golschmidt/Hamilton	6-4, 1-6, 6-2
Svehla/Hayes def. McGrath/Simpson	3-6, 6-3, 7-6

MINNESOTA VS. VANDERBILT-- In the Championship match, Minnesota just lost to Vanderbilt 5-4. Vanderbilt won four of the first five singles matches, before Gates kept Minnesota's hopes alive with a 6-4, 3-6, 6-2 win against Kim Schiff. Minnesota's other singles win came from Peterson with a 6-1, 6-1 win over Susan Bregin. Vanderbilt sealed the championship with a win in the first doubles match.

Gates def. Kim Schiff	6-4, 3-6, 6-2
Culik lost to Meredith Chiles	7-6, 6-2
Svehla lost to Jenni Svehla	6-3, 6-2
Peterson def. Susan Bregin	6-1, 6-1
Hayes lost to Spencer Shelfer	6-3, 6-1
Ferguson lost to Deena Raja	6-0, 3-6, 6-2

Gates/Peterson def. Chiles/Schiff	6-3, 6-4
Hayes/Svehla lost to Morelos/Brown	6-2, 6-4
Culik/Ferguson def. Shelfer/Raja	6-4, 2-6, 6-2

PETERSON AND GATES RANKED-- The doubles team of Peterson and Gates is ranked No. 30 in the country and No. 4 in the region in the latest Rolex rankings. The duo has a 9-4 record this season.

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STREET LEAVES TEAM--Sophomore APRIL STREET (BATON ROUGE, LA/BROADMOOR) has decided to leave the team due to personal reasons. Street had not played a match for the Gophers all season.

1994-95 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall Record: 1-1 Big Ten: 0-0 Home: 1-1 Away: 0-0 Neutral: 0-0
 Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
9/23	at William & Mary Invitational		no team score
9/24	at William & Mary Invitational		no team score
9/25	at William & Mary Invitational		no team score
10/7	at Notre Dame Invitational		no team scores
10/8	at Notre Dame Invitational		no team scores
10/9	at Notre Dame Invitational		no team scores
11/3	at Rolex Regional Qualifier		no team scores
11/4	at Rolex Regional Qualifier		no team scores
11/5	at Rolex Regional Qualifier		no team scores
11/6	at Rolex Regional Qualifier		no team scores
1/4	at Milwaukee Classic		no team scores
1/5	at Milwaukee Classic		no team scores
1/6	at Milwaukee Classic		no team scores
1/7	at Milwaukee Classic		no team scores
1/8	at Milwaukee Classic		no team scores
1/20	vs. Baylor	W	7-2
1/21	vs. Vanderbilt	L	5-4
1/28	at Notre Dame		
1/29	at Western Michigan		
2/3	Marquette		
2/5	Iowa State		
2/11	at Michigan State		
2/12	at Michigan		
2/18	at Wisconsin		
2/19	at Northwestern		
2/25	at San Diego		
3/22	at Furman		
3/24	at North Carolina State		
3/25	at North Carolina		
4/2	at Iowa		
4/7	Illinois		
4/9	Purdue		
4/14	Indiana		
4/16	Ohio State		
4/23	Penn State		
4/27	at Big Ten Championship (Champaign, IL)		
4/28	at Big Ten Championship (Champaign, IL)		
4/29	at Big Ten Championship (Champaign, IL)		
4/30	at Big Ten Championship (Champaign, IL)		

TENNIS TEAM STATS 2-2-2

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Susan Culik		0-2					5-9		5-11	.313
Amy Erskine										
Bridget Ferguson						0-2	5-3		5-5	.500
Tiffany Gates	2-0						6-7		8-7	.533
Jennifer Hayes					1-1		2-5		3-6	.333
Dana Peterson				2-0			4-7		6-7	.462
Jenny Svehla			1-1				8-5		9-6	.600
Kathy Wayne										
Totals							30-36		36-42	.462

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Peterson/Gates	2-0			7-4		9-4	.692
Culik/Ferguson		1-0	1-0	2-2		4-2	.667
Svehla/Hayes		0-1	1-0	3-2		4-3	.571
Totals				12-8		17-9	.607

INDIV. DOUBLES

	Overall	Pct.	Big Ten	Pct.
Susan Culik	4-2	.667		
Amy Erskine				
Bridget Ferguson	4-2	.667		
Tiffany Gates	9-4	.692		
Jennifer Hayes	4-3	.571		
Dana Peterson	9-4	.692		
April Street				
Jenny Svehla	4-3	.571		
Kathy Wayne				



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TENNIS HOMETOWN RELEASE #1

MINNESOTA DOUBLES HAS GOOD FALL-- The Minnesota doubles teams had a good fall season for head coach Martin Novak. The No. 1 team of TIFFANY GATES (GRANDVIEW, MI) and DANA PETERSON (APPLE VALLEY, MN) finished 7-3 overall and won the "A" doubles crown at the Notre Dame Invitational. The duo also advanced to the semifinals of the Rolex Regional qualifier.

The frosh duo of JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH) and JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL) finished the fall season 3-2 and won the flight four championship at the Notre Dame Invite. The doubles team of SUSAN CULIK (CHAPIN, SC) and BRIDGET FERGUSON (BURNSVILLE, MN/EDEN PRARIE) also finished above .500 at 2-1.

For the fall, Minnesota doubles teams were 12-6.

SINGLES NOT QUITE AS GOOD-- In singles action, only Ferguson and Svehla were above .500 for the fall. Svehla, who was 4-3, won the Flight D consolation championship in her first collegiate tournament at the William & Mary Invitational. Ferguson advanced to the finals of the flight four singles draw at the Notre Dame Invitational and ended the fall 3-1.

Gates, an all-Big Ten selection last season and the Gophers number one player, suffered a back injury early in the fall and finished 4-6 in singles.

INJURY REPORT-- Senior AMY ERSKINE (EDINA, MN), frosh APRIL STREET (BATON ROUGE, LA/BROADMOOR) and sophomore KATHY WAYNE (TEMPE, AZ/CORONA DEL SOL) did not compete this fall due to injuries. Erskine and Street are both out with shoulder injuries and Wayne has a foot injury. All should be back in the spring.

NATIONAL RANKINGS OUT-- Minnesota is not ranked in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings, but the Gophers face 11 teams listed in the rankings including #11 Kansas, #12 Indiana, #13 Notre Dame, #15 Northwestern, #23 San Diego, #49 Furman, #25 Michigan, #26 Vanderbilt, #33 Wisconsin, # 40 Illinois and #41 North Carolina State during the course of the season.

COUGHLIN HIRED AS ASSISTANT COACH-- Jennie Coughlin, formerly Jennie Moe, has been hired by Novak as the new restricted earnings tennis coach. Coughlin, who was a four-time letterwinner with the Gophers, began her duties in September. Coughlin was a three-time all-Big Ten selection and the Gophers Most Valuable Player in 1991 and 1992. She was also a two-time academic all-Big Ten selection and made the Dean's list in 1991 and 1992.

Since leaving Minnesota, Coughlin has worked as a tennis professional at the Minnesota Valley Country Club and as an assistant account executive at Mona Meyer McGrath & Gavin, a public relations firm in Bloomington, Minn.

FALL IN REVIEW--

GATES AND PETERSON DO WELL AT ROLEX--The doubles team of Gates and Peterson advanced to the semifinals of the Rolex Regional Qualifier Nov. 3-6, in East Lansing, Mich. Gates and Peterson lost to Illinois' Camille Baldrich and Kristen Jones, the No. 2 seed in the tournament, 6-1 and 6-1. The duo had defeated three opponents before advancing to the finals, including Siri Eklund and Marjorie Gantman of Northwestern, the third seed, 2-6, 6-4 and 7-5. The duo also defeated Colleen Lucey and Lauren Gavaris of Wisconsin 6-1 and 7-5, and the sister-duo of Sarah and Liz Cyganiak of Michigan 6-1, 6-3.

In singles action, Gates advanced to the second round before losing to Lucey 6-4, 6-3. Gates had defeated Joanna Bauza of Marquette 6-1, 6-1 to advance to the second round. Culik was not as fortunate as she she went 0-2 at the Rolex tournament. Culik lost to Lisa Drewitt of Ball State in the first round, then lost to Klara Salopek of DePaul in the consolation round.

MINNESOTA SHINES AT NOTRE DAME INVITE-- Gates and Peterson won the Flight One doubles title at the Notre Dame Invitational in South Bend, Ind. Gates/Peterson defeated Susan Hall and Nikki Uelze of Drake, 6-3, 7-5 in the first round, then defeated Rebecca Case and Valerie Springer of Missouri in straight sets to advance to the championship match. The duo then defeated Alyssa Kohl and Nan Smith of Purdue for the title.

Hayes and Svehla won the Flight Four doubles championship with a perfect 3-0 record. Hayes/Svehla defeated Fisher and Darcie Sweet of Notre Dame, 7-5 and 6-4. The team then beat Tara Graff and Simone Lacher of Michigan, before defeating Rachel Fiset and Libby Vote of Purdue to claim the championship.

In singles action, Ferguson advanced to the finals of the Flight Four draw before losing to Chessa Bieri of Kansas, 6-1 and 6-4. Ferguson had defeated Vote, Beth Morgan of Notre Dame and Graff to gain the finals.

Also, the doubles team of Culik and Ferguson won the back draw of the Flight Three doubles defeating Stephanie DeWald and Amy Hansen of Drake, 6-3 and 6-3.

MINNESOTA EARNS SIX SINGLES WINS AT WILLIAM & MARY

INVITATIONAL-- The Gophers earned six singles victories in the team's first competition of the season at the William & Mary Invitational in Williamsburg, Va.

Leading the victory parade was Svehla, who went 2-1 during the Invitational to win the consolation bracket of the Flight D singles. After losing her first match, Svehla defeated Elizabeth Henkin of Maryland 6-0, 6-4, and Tina Grubisic of Wisconsin, 6-0, 6-3, to claim the consolation prize.

Gates won her first match in Flight A with a 6-1, 7-6 victory over Sophia Eiort of Virginia Commonwealth. Gates then lost her next three matches to finish 1-3 on the weekend.

Other singles victories for the Gophers came from Culik, who defeated Jones of Illinois in Flight A, Peterson in Flight B with a 4-6, 7-6, 7-6, triumph over Leisa Bilak of Richmond and Hayes with a 6-3, 6-3 win over Catherine Lankford of Richmond in Flight C.

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FINAL FALL RESULTS--

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Susan Culik							3-7		3-7	.300
Amy Erskine										
Bridget Ferguson							3-1		3-1	.750
Tiffany Gates							4-6		4-6	.400
Jennifer Hayes							2-5		2-5	.285
Dana Peterson							2-5		2-5	.285
April Street										
Jenny Svehla							4-3		4-3	.571
Kathy Wayne										
Totals							18-27		18-27	.400

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Peterson/Gates				7-3		7-3	.700
Culik/Ferguson				2-1		2-1	.667
Svehla/Hayes				3-2		3-2	.600
Totals				12-6		12-6	.667

INDIV. DOUBLES	Overall	Pct.	Big Ten	Pct.
Susan Culik	2-1	.667		
Amy Erskine				
Bridget Ferguson	2-1	.667		
Tiffany Gates	7-3	.700		
Jennifer Hayes	3-2	.600		
Dana Peterson	7-3	.700		
April Street				
Jenny Svehla	3-2	.600		
Kathy Wayne				