

THIS WEEK IN MEN'S ATHLETICS

January 31-February 6, 2000

BASKETBALL



AT ILLINOIS, WED., FEB. 2 - 8 P.M. - CHAMPAIGN, ILL.
VS. WISCONSIN, SAT., FEB. 5 - 7 P.M. - WILLIAMS ARENA
MIDWEST SPORTS CHANNEL LIVE & WCCO 830 AM LIVE

Last Week's Results:

- Penn State 80, Minnesota 72 (University Park, Pa.) & Minnesota 69, Northwestern 60 (Williams Arena)

HOCKEY

AT MINNESOTA-DULUTH, FRI-SAT., FEB. 4-5 - 7:05 P.M. - DULUTH, MINN.
MIDWEST SPORTS CHANNEL LIVE & KSTP 1500-AM LIVE



Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gophers split with Minnesota State, Mankato winning 3-2 Friday and lost 6-5 in overtime Saturday.

WRESTLING



AT MICHIGAN, FRI., FEB. 11 - 7 P.M. - ANN ARBOR, MICH.
AT MICHIGAN STATE, SUN., FEB. 13 - 1 P.M. - EAST LANSING, MICH.

Last Week's Results:

- No. 3 Minnesota defeated No. 18 Wisconsin 32-6 Friday and No. 23 Indiana 38-0 Saturday afternoon.

TENNIS

AT PENN STATE, SUN., FEB. 6 - 11 A.M. - UNIVERSITY PARK, PA.



Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota won three matches this weekend at the Louisville Invite in Louisville, Ky., this past weekend.

GYMNASTICS



AT MICHIGAN, FRI., FEB. 4 - 7 P.M. & AT MICHIGAN ST., SAT., FEB. 5 - 7 P.M.

Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gopher gymnastics team lost to Iowa Saturday afternoon 223.15-221.325 at the Sports Pavilion.

TRACK AND FIELD

DRAKE, N. IOWA, MINNESOTA STATE, MANKATO, SAT., FEB. 5 - ALL DAY - FIELD HOUSE

Last Week's Results:

- Junior Tom Gerding won the 600 meter dash with a time of 1:19.70 last Saturday at the Fieldhouse.



SWIMMING AND DIVING



MINNESOTA CHALLENGE, FRI., FEB. 4 - 6 P.M., SAT., FEB. 5 - NOON/6 P.M. - AQUATIC CENTER

Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gophers defeated No. 23 Purdue 218-118 and No. 24 Wisconsin 227-100 at the Aquatic Center.

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GYMNASTICS



LAST WEEK'S MEET: The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team fell to the fourth-ranked Iowa Hawkeyes Saturday afternoon by a score of 223.15-221.325. The team score of 221.325 was a team season-

high for the Golden Gophers but was not enough to defeat the Hawkeyes. With Iowa leading the meet by only .7 heading into the final rotation, Minnesota missed five of six routines on the horizontal bar.

Sophomore Justin Conner was the lone Golden Gopher to hit his horizontal bar routine with a score of 9.4, good for fourth place in the event. Connor also scored a team season-high in the all-around with a score of 55.25, to earn second-place honors and was part of a four-way tie for first place on the vault with a score of 9.4. Minnesota took first place honors in three out of the six events.

Freshman Clay Strother (Jasper, Texas) had two solid routines on the floor exercise and parallel bars earning first-place honors in both. He scored a career-high 9.85 on the floor exercise, bettering his previous career high by .05. The 9.85 score by Strother is the second-highest score ever recorded on the floor exercise in Golden Gopher history.

Senior Lindsey Fang (Allentown, Pa.) also scored a career-high 9.8 on his pommel horse routine to better his previous career high of 9.600 which he scored in 1998 against Illinois-Chicago. Senior Ryan Winterbourne (Anaheim, Calif.) earned third-place honors with a season-high 9.35 on the still rings.

A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT: The Golden Gopher men's gymnastics team has made a significant improvement from where it was last year at this time. Through its first three meets last season (Windy City, at Iowa, vs. Ohio State) the average team score was 210.967. Through the first three meets this season (Windy City, vs. Illinois, vs.

Iowa), Minnesota's average team score is 220.325. In their last meet with Iowa, the Golden Gophers set four team season high scores on the pommel horse, still rings, vault and parallel bars.

THE FABULOUS CONNER BOYS: The brother combination of Chad and Justin Conner (Dallas, Texas) have been one of the key reasons for the Golden Gophers improvement so far this season. In last Saturday's meet with Iowa, Justin bettered his career-high in the all-around with a score of 55.25 setting personal season highs on the pommel horse (9.3), still rings (9.1) and horizontal bar (9.4) in the process. Chad, on the other hand, set a personal season high on the pommel horse as well (9.575), good for third place in the event.

THE FRESHMEN: Joining the fray this season for the Golden Gophers are four talented freshmen, two of which have made an immediate impact on the starting line up. Clay Strother posted an all-around score of 54.200 in his first collegiate competition. He continued his impressive start last week against Iowa as he scored a 9.85 on his floor exercise routine, good for first place. That score was the second highest score ever recorded by a Golden Gopher on the floor exercise. He also had a 9.65 on his parallel bars routine, good for first place. Freshman Tim Koehler (North Bergen, N.J.) has turned in a couple of promising performances in his first three competitions.

NEXT WEEK: The Golden Gophers make the Michigan road trip as they take on defending national champion Michigan on Friday night at 7 p.m. (ET) and then travel to East Lansing to take on the Michigan State Spartans Saturday night at 7 p.m. (ET).

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Date	Opponent
Jan. 8	Alumni Meet/L, 223.35-216.05
Jan. 15	Windy City Invitational/5th 219.325
Jan. 22	Illinois/L, 222.250-220.325
Jan. 29	Iowa/L, 223.15-221.325
Feb. 4	Michigan/7 p.m.
Feb. 5	Michigan State/7 p.m.
Feb. 11-12	Winter Cup/Las Vegas, N.V.
Feb. 19	Ohio/7 p.m.
March 4	U of Chicago-Illinois/1 p.m.
March 11	Nebraska/1 p.m.
March 17-18	*Big Ten Championships/7 p.m.
March 30	#NCAA Qualifying Meet/1 & 7 p.m.
March 31	#NCAA Championships/7 p.m.
April 1	#NCAA Championships/2 p.m.

bold signifies home meet

* Michigan State University - East Lansing, Mich.

University of Iowa - Iowa City, Iowa

2000 GOLDEN GOPHERS

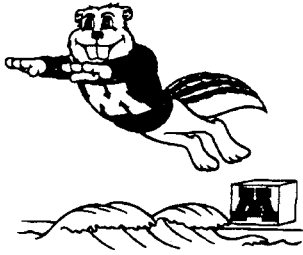
Name	Yr.	Hometown
Chad Conner	SR	Dallas, Texas
Justin Conner	SO	Dallas, Texas
Bart Cramer	SR	Edina, Minn.
Lindsey Fang	SR	Allentown, Pa.
Robert Goss	JR	Kenosha, Wis.
Todd Guilbeau	SO	Houston, Texas
Brian Hutchinson	FR	Floodwood, Minn.
Matthew Kieffer	SR	Inver Grove Heights, Minn.
Tim Koehler	FR	North Bergen, N.J.
Allen Sopko	JR	Brookfield, Wis.
Jason Stingle	FR	Waukesha, Wis.
Clay Strother	FR	Jasper, Texas
Ryan Winterbourne	SR	Anaheim, Calif.

Head Coach: Fred Roethlisberger (Wisconsin, '66)

Assistant Coaches: Thom Glielmi, Russ Fystrom

Volunteer Coach: John Roethlisberger

Trainer: Tom Kiff



SWIMMING & DIVING



NO. 10 MINNESOTA WINS

TRIPLE DUALS WITH EASE: The 10th-ranked Minnesota men's swimming and diving team easily won its Big Ten Dual meets at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center. The Golden Gophers took care of 23rd-ranked Purdue, 218-118, and 24th-ranked Wisconsin, 227-100. The team won seven of the nine events on Saturday and nine of the 10 events on Friday night, giving the Golden Gophers wins in 16 of 19 events in the weekend's meet.

The Golden Gophers won both the 400 free relay and the 200 freestyle relay contested on Saturday afternoon. In the 400 free relay, teammates **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), **RICARDO DORNELAS** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), **ALLEN ONG** (Ipoh, Malaysia) and **MAX VON BODUNGEN** (Malmo Sweden) swam a time of 3:00.19 to take top honors. Purdue's relay team swam a time of 3:04.11 to take second place. In the 200 free relay, the team of Dornelas, **GRANT BUTLER** (West Bend, Wis.), Ong and **BRANDON CROOK** (Omaha, Neb.) outraced Purdue's relay team and took first with a time of 1:21.94.

The Golden Gophers received event wins from Massura, who won both the 200 backstroke with a time of 1:45.91 and the 100 backstroke with a time of 48.08. Dornelas also won two events for Minnesota. He placed first in the 100 freestyle with a winning time of 44.95 and in the

50 freestyle with a time of 20.09. In the 100 breaststroke, teammates **JEFF HACKLER** (Alpharetta, Ga.) and **DOV MALNIK** (Rishon le-zion, Israel) scored a 1-2 punch, with Hackler placing first in the event with a time of 56.85 just .02 faster than Malnik, who had a time of 56.87.

Junior **DAN CROASTON** (Champlin, Minn.) swept the one-meter and the three-meter diving over the weekend, scoring 512.10 points in the one-meter diving on Friday night and 489.69 points in the three-meter diving on Saturday.

The Golden Gophers will host the two day Minnesota Challenge, beginning Friday, Feb. 4 at 6 p.m. at the Aquatic Center and continuing through Saturday, Feb. 5.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Oct. 16	Intrasquad Meet	No Team Scores
Oct. 29	Alumni Meet	No Team Scores
Nov. 5-6	N. Carolina	W, 235-135
	Nebraska	W, 247-123
Nov. 13	Northwestern	W, 198-95
Nov. 19-21	Minnesota Invitational	1st/12 teams
Dec. 3-5	Texas Invitational	No Team Scores
Jan. 21	Iowa	W, 186-83
Jan. 28-29	Triple Duals	
	Purdue	W, 218-118
	Wisconsin	W, 227-100
Feb. 4-5	Minnesota Challenge	6 p.m.
Feb. 24-26	Big Ten Championships	Ann Arbor, Mich.
March 5	Go-Pher It Invitational	Aquatic Center
March 9-11	NCAA Diving Zone Qual.	Aquatic Center
March 23-25	NCAA Championships	Aquatic Center

Ryan Ayres	Jr.	Snellville, Ga.
Ben Bartell	So.	Grafton, Wis.
David Batulis	Fr.	Burnsville, Minn.
Ben Baumann	Fr.	Overland Park, Kan.
Max von Bodungen	So.	Malmo, Sweden
Chris Brunson	Fr.	Madison, Wis.
Blair Buccicone	So.	Rochester, Minn.
Grant Butler	Jr.	West Bend, Wis.
Dan Croaston	Jr.	Champlin, Minn.
Brandon Crook	So.	Omaha, Neb.
Travis Crow	So.	Sheboygan, Wis.
Mark Dillion	Fr.	Cumberland, R.I.
Ricardo Dornelas	So.	Jacaraide, Brazil
Chris Forrest	So.	Appleton, Wis.
Karl Frisinger	Fr.	Napa, Calif.
Jeff Hackler	Fr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
Ben Herdt	Fr.	East Lansing, Mich.
Shane Hillsley	So.	Longmont, Colo.
Brian Howard	Sr.	Kearney, Mo.
Chad Krastins	So.	Apple Valley, Minn.
Ryan L'Roy	Fr.	Beaverton, Ore.
Mike Mahoney	Fr.	Edina, Minn.
Dov Malnik	So.	Rishon Le-Zion, Israel
Alex Massura	Jr.	Sao Paulo, Brazil
Marc Maynard	Fr.	St. Paul, Minn.
Yoav Meiri	Sr.	Modein, Israel
Mike Melrose	Fr.	Eau Claire, Wis.
Allen Ong	Fr.	Perak, Malaysia
Brian Porter	So.	Omaha, Neb.
Shane Ryan	Fr.	Cross Plains, Wis.
Brandon Schindler	Sr.	Saratoga, Calif.
Tim Sheely	Jr.	Schaumburg, Ill.
Aaron Shilt	Fr.	Appleton, Wis.
Todd Smolinski	Fr.	St. John, Ind.
Peter Sonstegard	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Matt Taylor	Fr.	Shorewood, Minn.
Nick Toumanoff	Fr.	Pewaukee, Wis.
Adam White	Fr.	Hopkins, Minn.

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Keam Ang	Jr.	Ipoh, Malaysia
Mark Atoowd	Fr.	Alexandria, Minn.

TENNIS



MEN'S TENNIS TEAM COMPETES IN LOUISVILLE INVITE

Minnesota won three dual meets at the Louisville Invite last weekend in Louisville, Ky. Saturday, the Golden Gophers defeated

Louisville 5-2 and Middle Tennessee State 5-2. Sunday afternoon Minnesota blanked Kansas 7-0.

Against Louisville, Minnesota won five of the six singles matches and just one of three doubles matches to win 5-2. At No. 1 singles, freshman Harsh Mankad defeated Tvrtko Kujundzic 5-7, 7-5, 7-5. Junior Jorge Duenas defeated Alex Sivertsen 6-4, 6-7, 6-4 at No. 3 singles. Following Duenas, senior Martin Michalowski topped Paulo Carvalho 6-4, 7-6 at No. 4 singles. At No. 5 singles, junior Tyson Parry defeated Cody Conley 6-3, 6-4 and at No. 6 singles, sophomore Karl Sloss won his match over Hazuan Hizan 0-6, 7-5, 7-6.

Minnesota also won five singles matches against Middle Tennessee State, but lost the doubles point by only winning one doubles match. At No. 2 singles, Duenas defeated Oliver Foreman 4-6, 6-4, 6-3. At No. 3 singles, sophomore Thomas Haug defeated Robert Gustafsson 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 and No. 4 singles, Michalowski won his match with a 6-7, 6-4, 6-4 score over Olle Nystrom. Finishing out the win was Parry with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over Michael Lancefield and at No. 6 singles junior Jon Svensson defeated Mark Pellerin 7-5, 6-1.

Sunday's match was dominated by Minnesota, winning all six singles matches and two of the three doubles matches. At No. 1 singles Mankad defeated Rodrigo Echagaray 7-5, 7-5 and at No. 2 singles



Haug beat Eleazar Magallan 6-3, 6-0. Following him at No. 3 singles was Duenas with a 6-3, 6-2 win over Alex Barragan. At No. 4 singles Michalowski topped Quentin Blakeney 6-4, 6-3.

Parry won his match at No. 5 singles with a 7-6, 6-4 score over Pete Stroer and at No. 6 singles, Svensson defeated Ed Dus 6-1, 6-3.

In doubles, Mankad and Duenas teamed up at the No. 1 spot to defeat Echagara and Dus 8-4. At No. 2 doubles, Svensson and freshman Eric Robertson defeated Magallan and Barragan 9-8.

UP NEXT: The Golden Gopher men's tennis team will open up its 1999-2000 dual meet Big Ten season against the Penn State Nittany Lions at University Park, Pa., Sunday, Feb. 6.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Jan. 4-9	Milwaukee Tennis Classic/No Team Scores
Jan. 7	University of Marquette/W, 6-1
Jan. 15-17	Big Ten Singles Championships/No Team Scores
Jan. 21-22	Ice Volleys (98th Street Racquet Club)
	New Mexico/W, 5-2
	Washington/W, 5-2
Jan. 29-30	Louisville Invite (Louisville, Ky.)
	Louisville/W, 5-2
	Middle Tennessee State/W, 5-2
	Kansas/W, 7-0
Feb. 6	Penn State
Feb. 12-13	SMU Invite
Feb. 19	Virginia Tech
Feb. 19	Ohio State
Feb. 25-27	National Team Indoors
March 3-5	Corpus Christi Invitational
March 18	Michigan State (98th Street Racquet Club)
March 19	Michigan (98th Street Racquet Club)
March 26-31	BYU Invitational (Hawaii)
April 8	Wisconsin
April 9	Iowa
April 14	Illinois (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 15	Northwestern (98th Street Racquet Club)

April 22	Purdue (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 23	Indiana (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 27-30	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, Ind.)

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Jorge Duenas	Jr.	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
Thomas Haug	So.	Zurich, Switzerland
Harsh Mankad	Fr.	Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
Ed Marques	Jr.	Brasillia, Brazil
Nathan McLain	Fr.	Prior Lake, Minn.
Martin Michalowski	Jr.	Ottawa, Ontario
Tyson Parry	Jr.	Chatham, Ontario
Eric Robertson	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis.
Karl Sloss	So.	Kildeer, Ill.
Steve Solberg	Fr.	Fridley, Minn.
Jon Svensson	Jr.	Kristianstad, Sweden



TRACK & FIELD



GOLDEN GOPHERS FARE WELL AT THE MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL:

University of Minnesota junior **TOM GERDING** (Waconia, Minn.) clocked a time of 1:19.70 in the 600m dash to lead the Golden Gophers at the 2000 Minnesota Invitational, it was his fastest time in the 600m dash this season. Gerding's first-place finish was the first of six individual titles the Golden Gophers won at the Invitational, which featured Georgia, Marquette and Southwest Missouri State.

Senior **JEREMY POLSON** (Duluth, Minn.) ran to a first-place finish in the 3,000m run with a winning-time of 8:31.98. Jon Chanier of Marquette took second place, clocking a time of 8:34.27..

Junior **ADAM FREED** (Proctor, Minn.) won the 400m dash with a time of 49.36 and Marquette's Brian Hardin placed second with a time of 49.59.

In the pole vault, freshman **STEVE SLATTERY** (Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.) won his first-ever collegiate event for Minnesota when vaulted a winning 16-0 3/4 as the Golden Gophers took the top three places in the pole vault. Senior **LINUS LINDROTH** (Goteberg, Sweden) placed second with a vault of 16-0 3/4 and sophomore **LYNDON MCDOWELL** (Port Elgin, Ontario) took third with a vault of 13-1 1/2.

Minnesota swept the relays, winning the distance medley relay with a time of 10:12.3 and the 4 x 400 meter relay with a time of 3:19.50.

In the weight throw, Iowa State's Jamie

Beyer's fieldhouse record of 65-10 1/4 lasted just two weeks as Georgia's Andras Haklitz threw the weight 69-4 to win the event and set a new fieldhouse record.

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers will play host to Drake and Minnesota State, Mankato on Saturday, Feb. 5 at the University of Minnesota Fieldhouse.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

January

Jan. 8	Early Bird Open	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 15	Northwest Open	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 22	Iowa/South Dakota	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores /Wisconsin
Jan. 29	Marquette/Georgia	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores S.W. Missouri State

February

Feb. 5	Drake/Minn. St.	UM Fieldhouse
Feb. 11-12	Cyclone Classic	Ames, Iowa
Feb. 18	Snowshoe	UM Fieldhouse
Feb. 26-27	Big Ten Indoor	Bloomington, Ind.

March

March 3	NCAA Qualifying	Ames, Iowa
March 10-11	NCAA Indoor	Fayetteville, Ark.
March 24-25	Baldy Castillo	Tempe, Ariz.

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Scott Bergen	So.	Hortonville, Wis.
Josh Brang	Sr.	Winona, Minn.
Steve Burkholder	Sr.	Superior, Wis.
Nate Clay	Sr.	Grand Rapids, Minn.
Joey Corr	So.	Redmond, Wash.
Christopher Dixon	Fr.	Burnsville, Minn.
Zach Edmonson	So.	Ballwin, Mo.
Michael Ehlers	So.	Red Wing, Minn.
Mark Fahey	Jr.	Scandia, Minn.
Erik Foley	Fr.	White Bear Lake, Minn.

Adam Freed	So.	St. Paul, Minn.
Thoams Gerding	Jr.	Waconia, Minn.
Neil Hanson	Fr.	Granada, Minn.
Toby Henkels	So.	Worthington, Minn.
Marc Johannsen	Jr.	Miller, S.D.
Andy Kummer	So.	White Bear Lake, Minn.
Glenn Lindqvist	Sr.	Aland, Finland
Linus Lindroth	Fr.	Duluth, Minn.
Brent Loberg	Fr.	Ukiah, Calif.
Ryan Mack	Fr.	Menomonie, Wis.
Jesse Madsen	Jr.	Midway, Ontario, Canada
Wil McComb	Fr.	Port Elgin, Ontario, Canada
Lyndon McDowell	So.	Bognor, Ontario, Canada
Andrew McKessock	So.	Bognor, Ontario, Canada
Ryan Melena	Fr.	Arden Hills, Minn.
Ben Meyer	Jr.	Pine Island, Minn.
Brian Meyer	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn.
Luke Mullranin	Fr.	Bemidji, Minn.
Jason Owen	Jr.	Stewartville, Minn.
Joe Palke	Fr.	Roseville, Minn.
Jayne Pantekoek	So.	Mankato, Minn.
Eric Pierce	Sr.	Lino Lakes, Minn.
Jeremy Polson	Sr.	Duluth, Minn.
Mitchell Potter	Fr.	Isanti, Minn.
Matthew Prebil	Fr.	Blaine, Minn.
Robert Quade	Jr.	Sherburn, Minn.
Erik Quam	So.	Alexandria, Minn.
Lynden Reder	Fr.	Luverne, Minn.
Fred Rodgers	Jr.	Hamilton, Ohio
Steve Slattery	So.	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
Chuck Smith	Sr.	Lakeville, Minn.
Matthew Stark	So.	Apple Valley, Minn.
Adam Steele	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Michael Stoick	Sr.	St. Michael, Minn.
Derek Sykes	Fr.	North Branch, Minn.
Ben Taylor	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Matt Taylor	Fr.	Duluth, Minn.
Scott Utne	So.	Falcon Heights, Minn.
Andrew Wiberg	Jr.	Roseville, Minn.
Jude Wimberger	Sr.	Fond du Lac, Wis.
Andy Wohlin	So.	St. Paul, Minn.

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For Immediate Release

Feb. 1, 2000

NCAA TO SELL 2,000 ADDITIONAL LOWER-LEVEL SEATS FOR FIRST AND SECOND ROUND GAMES AT THE METRODOME.

The NCAA has announced that there will be 2,000 additional lower-level seats available for purchase beginning Wednesday for first and second round games that will be played at the Metrodome on Thursday, March 16 and Saturday, March 18.

The seats will be located in the temporary seating structure, located in right field of the baseball configuration of the Metrodome.

All additional seats will be sold for \$120 and include all six games that will be played at the Metrodome. Thursday's session will include four games, while Saturday's session will include two games. Game times will not be determined until Monday, March 13.

To purchase tickets, please call the University of Minnesota ticket office at (612) 624-8080 or 1-800-U-GOPHER.



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GALYAN'S GOPHER PRO-ALUMNI GAME SET FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7 AT THE METRODOME

The 27th-ranked University of Minnesota baseball team opens up the home portion of their 2000 schedule with the ninth annual Galyan's Gopher Pro-Alumni baseball game on Monday, Feb. 7 at 6:35 p.m. at the Metrodome. For the past eight years, former Maroon and Gold greats have returned to the field to take on the current Minnesota squad in an event that celebrates the rich tradition of Golden Gopher baseball.

Former Golden Gophers that are scheduled to appear at this year's game include: Aron Amundson, Jason Dobis, Kai Freeman, Shane Gunderson, Steve Huls, Tim McIntosh, Mark Merila, Paul Molitor, Greg Olson, Brad Pautz, Justin Pederson, Robb Quinlan, Brian Raabe, Matt Scanlon, Terry Steinbach, George Thomas, Frank Wagner and Dan Wilson. Former long-time assistant coach Herb Isakson will coach the Alumni team.

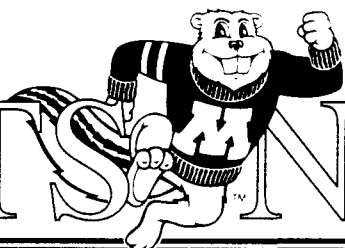
Tickets for the game are \$6 and can be purchased by calling the University of Minnesota Athletics Ticket Office at (612) 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER. A two-for-one coupon is available at the Galyan's Trading Company's metro area locations in Minnetonka, Richfield or Woodbury. Those coupons can be redeemed at the ticket gates on the day of the game.

While at Galyan's, fans can register for an opportunity to win 'Fan of the Game.' This entitles the winner to be accompanied to the mound with Paul Molitor and throw out the first pitch. The Fan of the Game can also choose to sit in either the alumni or varsity dugout for the duration of the game and lead the crowd in "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" during the seventh inning stretch.

All proceeds benefit the Dick Siebert Scholarship Endowment Fund.

Galyan's Gopher Pro-Alumni Game Activities—Monday, February 7

- 3:00 p.m. U of M team on field
- 3:35 p.m. U of M batting practice
- 4:45 p.m. Pro-alumni batting practice
- 5:00 p.m. Gates open
- 5:35 p.m. Pro-Alumni pre-game infield / outfield
- 5:45 p.m. U of M pre-game infield / outfield
- 5:55 p.m. Field preparation
- 6:10 p.m. Player introductions and presentation of Distinguished Service Award to Terry Steinbach
- 6:30 p.m. National Anthem
- 6:35 p.m. 1st Pitch



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 2, 2000

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA FOOTBALL PROGRAM ANNOUNCES NATIONAL LETTERS OF INTENT SIGNEES

Head Football Coach Glen Mason announced today that 24 student-athletes have signed national letters of intent to attend the University of Minnesota and play football for the Golden Gophers.

"We signed 14 on offense and 10 players on defense, so we are very pleased that we were able to fill some needs on both sides of the ball, particularly along the offensive and defensive lines," Mason said. "Our main priority is always to close the borders on the state of Minnesota and keep our in-state talent at home. We are very excited about the players who have decided to stay at home and play for the Golden Gophers. Our success last season enabled us to recruit some outstanding student-athletes to the University of Minnesota. I'm very happy with this recruiting class."

Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Hometown (Last School)
Antoine Burns	WR	6-1	195	Milwaukee, Wis. (Rochester, Minn. CC)
Travis Cole	QB	6-3	210	Lake Oswego, Ore. (Foothill, Calif. JC)
Ukee Dozier	DB	6-1	170	Bradenton, Fla. (Southeast HS)
Justin Fraley	DB	6-1	198	Cleveland, Ohio (Benedictine HS)
Jason Green	DE	6-4	260	Orange, N.J. (Orange HS)
Brandon Harston	DL	6-3	290	Fort Worth, Texas (Crowley HS)
Terry Jackson, III	RB	5-10	193	Saginaw, Mich. (Saginaw HS)
Demetrus Johnson	RB	5-10	173	Milwaukee, Wis. (Homestead HS)
Keith Matthews	WR	6-3	188	Akron, Ohio (Archbishop Hoban HS)
Mark McElroy	OL	6-4	300	Roseville, Minn. (Cretin-Derham Hall HS)
Rian Melander	OL	6-6	238	Shoreview, Minn. (Cretin-Derham Hall HS)
Larry Pinson, Jr.	FB	6-2	225	Eagan, Minn. (Eagan HS)
Josh Plisch	OL	6-3	290	Rothschild, Wis. (D.C. Everest HS)
Peter Prudden	OL	6-5	270	Wayzata, Minn. (Breck HS)
Chad Redmann	TE	6-3	230	Burnsville, Minn. (Apple Valley HS)
Darrell Reid	LB	6-3	245	Farmingdale, N.J. (Freehold Boro HS)
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Steven Watson	LB	6-3	215	Defiance, Mo. (Francis Howell HS)
Ricky Wymer	OL	6-9	325	Westerville, Ohio (North HS)

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Antoine Burns, 6-1, 195, WR, Milwaukee, Wis. (Rochester CC)

Named a junior college *Gridwire* All-American...listed in *PrepStar's* Super Juco 75 list...rated 17th in *SuperPrep's* Juco 100...caught 58 passes for 1,100 yards last season at Rochester...scored 23 touchdowns (17 receiving, three on punt returns, and three on kickoff returns)...his Rochester teams were a combined 22-2 with two bowl berths in his two seasons there... has three years remaining to complete his two years of eligibility...lists reading as one of his hobbies...plans to major in kinesiology at the U of M...high school coach was Adam Walker...junior college coach was Joel Swisher...son of Leon and Bernice Williams.

Travis Cole, 6-3, 210, QB, Lake Oswego, Ore. (Foothill JC)

In his two years as the starting quarterback at Foothill JC, he threw for 5,286 yards and 58 touchdowns...passed for 25 touchdowns this past season...should compete for the starting job at the U of M next season...arrived on campus in time for second semester and is currently in classes...played both quarterback and receiver at Lakeridge High School, many times switching from one position to another with each play...runs the 40 in 4.65 seconds...has three years remaining to complete his two years of eligibility...also an outstanding baseball player, he was a draft pick of the Toronto Blue Jays...junior college coach was Marshall Sperbeck...son of Steve and Lisa Cole and Debra Cole.

Ukee Dozier, 6-1, 170, DB, Bradenton, Fla. (Southeast HS)

Registered 38 solo tackles, 12 assists, four pass-breakups, and three tackles for loss in his senior season...played in nine games as a senior, missing the final four with a shoulder injury...the injury has since been repaired...runs the 40 in 4.5 seconds...basketball and track and field letterwinner...named most valuable performer on the track squad...one of the top long and triple jumpers in the state of Florida...high school coach was Paul Maechtle...son of Shirley Shird.

Justin Fraley, 6-1, 198, DB, Cleveland, Ohio (Benedictine HS)

Two-time all-state selection...gained 922 yards in just 150 attempts as a senior (6.1 per carry)...amassed 2,450 yards during prep career and 41 touchdowns...racked up 210 tackles on the defensive side of the ball...intercepted 34 passes and forced 28 fumbles during his high school career...accumulated impressive stats while playing on a team that was 1-8 last season...played some quarterback in his freshman and junior seasons...runs the 40 in 4.45 seconds...president of his senior class and vice president of the student council...honor student with a 3.0 GPA...lists interception to seal the state championship win as a freshman as his most memorable sports thrill...also lettered in track and field...won the 100-meter state track championship as a junior with a time of 10.6...high school coach was Derek Slesh...son of Greg Fraley and Henry and Toni Curtis.

Jason Green, 6-4, 260, DE, Orange, N.J. (Orange HS)

SuperPrep all-Northeast team selection...ranked 22nd-best player in the state...named to the all-state team after a senior season where he collected 85 solo tackles, 20 assists, 18 tackles for loss and 12 sacks...named to all-county and all-city teams as well during final prep campaign...also letters in basketball, where he plays forward, and track and field...has an interest in studying criminal justice...high school coach was Randy Daniels...son of Janice Green.

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Brandon Harston, 6-3, 290, DL, Fort Worth, Texas (Crowley HS)

Named to the *SuperPrep* all-Southwest team...one of the better defensive linemen recruits in the country according to Tom Lemming's *Prep Football Report*...amassed 120 career tackles, including 98 solos, despite playing just four games in his senior campaign due to a high ankle sprain...defensive career stats also include 15 sacks, 10 pass breakups, 15 forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries, and three interceptions...caught 50 career passes for 10 touchdowns from his tight end position on the offensive side of the ball...also lettered in basketball...member of the honor roll with a 3.00 GPA...calls his most memorable sports thrill winning the state championship in basketball...high school coach was Brad McCone...son of Mike and Georgia Harston.

Terry Jackson III, 5-10, 193, RB, Saginaw, Mich. (Saginaw HS)

Rushed for 1,774 yards and 21 touchdowns as a senior when he helped lead his high school to its first-ever state championship...also pitched in with 18 solo tackles on defense...played defensive back as a junior...three-year letterwinner...named to the all-conference and all-state teams following his senior season...basketball (point guard) and track and field letterwinner...lists hobbies as drawing and writing poetry...high school coach was Donald Durrett...son of Terry and Linda Jackson.

Demetrus Johnson, 5-10, 173, RB, Milwaukee, Wis. (Homestead HS)

Named Wisconsin State Player of the Year by the Wisconsin State Coaches Association and the *Wisconsin Journal Sentinel*...Named a two-time all-state selection after amassing 2,229 yards, 32 touchdowns, and an average of 7.0 yards per carry in his senior season...the yardage and touchdown totals set single-season school records...rushed for school-record 315 yards and five touchdowns in a single game...also returned nine punts for an average of 24 yards per tote and two touchdowns along with 14 kickoff returns for an average of 30 yards per runback...caught 11 passes out of the backfield for 148 yards and a touchdown...has also accumulated three letters in basketball and one in track and field...named to the all-conference team in basketball and all-state squad in track and field...is an honor roll student who plans to major in business at the U of M...calls most memorable sports thrill rushing for 198 yards and two touchdowns in the state championship game...high school coach was Dave Keel...son of Nathaniel and Zara Johnson.

Keith Matthews, 6-3, 188, WR, Akron, Ohio (Archbishop HS)

Two-time all-state selection...outstanding player on both sides of the ball in high school...played wide receiver and safety...caught 92 career passes for a total of 1,605 yards and 19 touchdowns...averaged 17.4 yards per reception in his prep career...also rushed for 574 career yards and six touchdowns...logged 205 career tackles on defense...credited with 11 career sacks, seven fumble recoveries, and eight interceptions...returned two of the interceptions for touchdowns...prep teams were 10-2 and 9-3 in his final two seasons...also a three-year letterwinner in track and field and basketball...lists most memorable sports thrill when he scored four touchdowns in a game...plans on majoring in business at the U of M...high school coach was Ralph Orsini...son of Diane and Willie Matthews.

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Mark McElroy, 6-4, 300, OL, Roseville, Minn. (Cretin-Derham Hall HS)

Named one of the top 10 offensive lineman prospects in the Midwest according to *PrepStar*...listed on the *SuperPrep* all-Midwest team...named to the all-state squad after helping lead Cretin-Derham Hall to the Class AAAAA State Championship as a senior...three-year starter at offensive tackle...played strong-side tackle...known for his exceptional run-blocking ability...was a big reason behind Cretin-Derham Hall's combined record of 34-2 over the last three seasons while earning three varsity letters...also letters in track, throwing the shot put and discus...recipient of the Outstanding Academic Achievement Award...honor roll student who carries a 3.2 GPA...lists winning the state football title as his most memorable sports thrill...high school coach was Rick Kallok...son of Robert and Carol McElroy.

Rian Melander, 6-6, 238, OL, Shoreview, Minn. (Cretin-Derham Hall HS)

Named to the all-state squad after helping lead Cretin-Derham Hall to the Class AAAAA State Championship as a senior...allowed only two sacks on his quarterback all season from his weak-side tackle position...was one of the fastest rising prospects in the entire Midwest during his senior season, climbing from a preseason rating of No. 101 to a final ranking of No. 40 on the *SuperPrep* list of top players in the Midwest...named honorable mention All-America by *USA Today*...three-year letterwinner who was a big reason for Cretin-Derham Hall's combined record of 34-2 over the last three seasons...also played basketball...honor student with a 3.0 GPA...high school coach was Rich Kallok...uncle Jon Melander was a letterwinner along the offensive line for the Golden Gophers from 1986-89 who went on to play in the NFL...lists winning the state title as his most memorable sports thrill...son of Peter and Judy Melander.

Larry Pinson, Jr., 6-2, 225, FB, Eagan, Minn. (Eagan HS)

All-state selection who rushed for 1,327 yards and 17 touchdowns as a senior...averaged 120 yards per game and seven yards per carry as a senior...runs the 40 in 4.6 seconds and can bench press 330 pounds...honored on the All-Lake Conference team as a senior...lived in Georgia as a prep junior and did not play football...named to the *SuperPrep* all-Midwest team...track and field letterwinner...honored as an all-conference selection in track...lists most memorable sports thrill as beating Apple Valley in the state section semifinals...named to the academic All-State team...holds a 3.99 GPA...interested in studying communications or pre-med at the U of M...high school coach was Dave Fritze...son of Larry and Lennelle Pinson.

Josh Plisch, 6-3, 290, OL, Rothschild, Wis. (D.C. Everest HS)

Named the seventh-best offensive line recruit in the Midwest by *PrepStar*...listed as the eighth overall best line prospect (offense or defense) in the Midwest by *SuperPrep*...One of the most sought-after lineman in the Midwest, he led his prep team to a three-year varsity record of 30-5...high school All-America performer and two-time all-state selection...high school team was a perfect 14-0 as a junior...letterwinner in hockey (defenseman) and track and field (shotput and discus)...plans to major in elementary education at the U of M...lists his hobbies as skiing and spending time with family...high school coach was Wayne Steffenhagen...son of Sherri Plisch.

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Peter Prudden, 6-5, 270, OL, Wayzata, Minn. (Breck HS)

Named to the *SuperPrep* all-Midwest team...Named to the all-state team after leading Breck to a 9-2 record as a senior...prep teams combined for a 38-9 record in his four years as a letterwinner...a two-way player, he registered 195 career tackles, 20 sacks, 10 pass breakups, 11 forced fumbles and four fumble recoveries as a defensive end...allowed no sacks by the players he blocked as a senior on the offensive line...also handled long snapping duties and kickoffs...lettered in basketball as a power forward, averaging 11.4 points and 10.2 rebounds per game as a junior...member of school's student government...interested in studying business at the U of M...lists reading as one of his hobbies...high school coach was John Theil...son of John and Stephanie Prudden.

Chad Redmann, 6-3, 230, TE, Burnsville, Minn. (Apple Valley HS)

Played a number of positions (running back, fullback, safety, defensive end, punter) during his prep career...rushed for career totals of 1,445 and 31 touchdowns on the ground...caught 18 passes for 230 yards...ran the ball 111 times for 541 yards and 11 touchdowns as a senior...had a career average of 39.0 yards per kick as a punter with a long boot of 65 yards...also returned four kicks for 120 yards...earned four wrestling and two track letters in addition to his three letters on the gridiron...has a career record of 73-14 with 42 falls on the mat...finished second in the state individually at heavyweight as a junior while helping his squad to the team championship as a junior grappler...he is 27-0 with 20 pins thus far this season on the mat...holds team weightlifting record...Academic All-State selection...high school coach was Mike Fritze...son of John and Cheryl Redmann.

Darrell Reid, 6-3, 245, LB, Farmingdale, N.J. (Freehold Boro HS)

Ranked as the second-best linebacker prospect in the Northeast by *SuperPrep*...named one of the top linebacker prospects in the East according to *PrepStar*...rated the ninth-best player overall in the state...player of the year as a senior in Monmouth County...registered 99 tackles, including 36 solos, as a senior...also blocked five kicks, five pass breakups, and three forced fumbles in his final prep campaign...named to the New Jersey all-state team as well as being a three-time all-conference and all-area pick...played six games as a senior with a cast on a broken hand...rated one of the top players in the state despite his team's 0-10 mark during final prep campaign...also a four-time letterwinner in basketball as a forward...high school coach was Larry Boice...son of Jeanette Williams.

Marcus Sanders, 6-0, 186, RB, Ravenna, Ohio (Ravenna HS)

Rushed for 2,374 yards (11.5 per carry) and scored 34 touchdowns as a senior...rushed for 6,688 career yards and scored 81 touchdowns...only fifth back in Ohio prep history to rush for more than 6,000 yards in his career...also caught six passes out of the backfield as a senior for 154 yards and a pair of touchdowns...rated the 10th-best running back in the Midwest according to *PrepStar*...set 14 school records including most yards rushing (career and season), most net yards (career and season), and most touchdowns scored (career and season)...a four-year all-conference selection...named honorable mention All-America...four-year starter...on defense, he was in on 108 stops and had eight sacks and four interceptions as a senior...honor student with a 3.0 GPA...basketball letterwinner as a point guard who averaged 13 points and 4.5 rebounds a game as a junior...high school coach was Cyle Feldman...son of Michael and Sharon Sanders.

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Dominique Sims, 6-2, 195, DB, Minneapolis, Minn. (De La Salle HS)

USA Today first-team All-America...named Minnesota State Player of the Year by the Associated Press after leading the Islanders to the state championship...rated one of the top 20 recruits in the Midwest according to *SuperPrep*...*PrepStar* calls him the top player in Minnesota this season...*Parade Magazine* All-America selection...one of four finalists for the Franklin Watkins Award, given annually to the top African-American student-athlete in the country...as a safety, he recorded 130 tackles, 23 pass breakups, three sacks, two fumble recoveries and two interceptions as a senior...rushed for 1,409 yards and 17 touchdowns during final prep campaign...passed for 756 yards and 12 touchdowns...also caught three passes for 112 yards and a touchdown and returned three kicks for touchdowns...runs the 40 in 4.5...an outstanding student, he carries a 4.16 GPA and ranks third in his high school class of 103...father Charles played basketball for the Golden Gophers from 1971-75...older brother Jason played basketball at Northern Iowa...older brother Ty played collegiate basketball at Kansas State after two years of junior college...high school coach was Tony Johnson...son of Charles and Kim Sims.

Arthur Smith, 6-9, 323, OL, Columbus, Ohio (Brookhaven HS)

Helped lead his team to the state playoffs as a senior after winning the league championship his junior season...played on both sides of the ball, starting at both offensive and defensive tackle...teams combined for a record of 25-8 in his three seasons...logged 60 tackles as a senior, including three sacks, 10 tackles for loss, three pass breakups, nine forced fumbles, and four fumble recoveries...honored on the all-state, all-city, and all-conference squads...also lettered in basketball, wrestling, and track and field during his prep career...has shown an interest in majoring in pre-dentistry at the U of M...member of the high school honor roll...high school coach was Gregg Miller...son of Martie Johnston.

Eric Stenzel, 6-3, 230, LB, Mankato, Minn. (West HS)

An all-state selection who led the Scarlets (Mankato West) to a 10-4 record and the Class AAAA state crown...also garnered all-state honors as a junior...set state records for assisted tackles (246) and total tackles (587) during his three-year varsity career despite playing half his senior season with a cast on a broken thumb...logged 163 tackles, including 96 solos, had five fumble recoveries and an interception in his senior campaign...featured in *Sports Illustrated's* Faces In The Crowd...named to the *SuperPrep* all-Midwest team...listed on the *PrepStar* all-Midwest team...three-year All-Big Nine selection...behind his leadership, team improved gradually from a 0-8 record his freshman season to the state title as a senior...runs the 40 in 4.7 seconds and bench presses 305 pounds...an honor roll student with a GPA of 3.00...basketball and track and field letterwinner...high school coach was Rick Sutton...son of Linnie and Brenda Stenzel.

Mackenzey Toussaint, 6-0, 177, DB, Miami, Fla. (North Miami HS)

Third-team All-Dade County selection...had 11 pass breakups, five fumble recoveries, two interceptions, and three tackles for loss as a senior...led his high school to its first playoff berth in many years with an 8-3 mark...also letters in track and field, where he is a hurdler along with specializing in the long and triple jump...regional finalist in the 110 hurdles...plans to major in business at the U of M...lists pool and basketball as his hobbies...high school coach was Gil Lora...son of Manilia Bellot.

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Timothy Ward, 6-3, 255, DL, Milwaukee, Wis. (Bay View HS)

Athletic two-way prep player who played middle linebacker and tight end in high school...collected 85 tackles, 45 of which were solos, as a senior...also logged three sacks and forced three fumbles...caught 11 passes, three of which were for touchdowns on the offensive side of the ball...also lettered in basketball and track and field...was an all-conference performer (shot put and discus champ) as a prep junior...plans to major in business at the U of M...high school coach was Craig Klumb...son of Lillie Ward.

Steven Watson, 6-3, 215, LB, Defiance, Mo. (Francis Howell HS)

Rated one of the top defensive end prospects in the Midlands according to *SuperPrep*...All-state selection who led his prep team to a combined record of 29-6 over the past three seasons...logged 115 tackles as a senior to accompany 12 sacks, six forced fumbles, and two fumble recoveries...63 of his tackles were solos...played fullback on the offensive side of the ball, gathering 712 yards and eight touchdowns...registered six sacks as a junior...a four-sport athlete who also lettered in track and field, basketball, and wrestling...won the conference championship in the high jump...calls defeating the top-ranked team in the state in double overtime in his senior season Homecoming game as his most memorable sports thrill...high school coach was Larry Branson...son of Robert and Judith Watson.

Ricky Wymer, 6-9, 325, OL, Westerville, Ohio (Westerville North HS)

Three-time all-conference and two-time all-area selection...rated 14th-best offensive lineman in the Midwest according to *PrepStar*...had surgery the day before Thanksgiving to repair torn knee ligaments, but still managed to play in every game his senior season while injured...also played basketball his freshman and sophomore years in high school...considers working on computers as one of his hobbies...high school coach was Bob Cavin...son of Rick and Char Wymer.

THIS WEEK IN MEN'S ATHLETICS

February 7-13, 2000

BASKETBALL



VS. INDIANA, WED., FEB. 9 - 7 P.M. - WILLIAMS ARENA
MIDWEST SPORTS CHANNEL LIVE & WCCO 830 AM LIVE

Last Week's Results:

- Illinois 73, Minnesota 59 (Champaign, Ill.) & Wisconsin 66, Minnesota 64 (Williams Arena)

HOCKEY

VS. COLORADO COLLEGE, FRI.-SAT., FEB. 11-12 - 7:05 P.M.
MIDWEST SPORTS CHANNEL LIVE & KSTP 1500-AM LIVE



Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gophers swept Duluth last weekend 3-2 Friday and 4-1 Saturday night in Duluth, Minn.

WRESTLING



AT MICHIGAN, FRI., FEB. 11 - 7 P.M. - ANN ARBOR, MICH.
AT MICHIGAN STATE, SUN., FEB. 13 - 1 P.M. - EAST LANSING, MICH.

Last Week's Results:

- Brock Lesnar, Brandon Eggum and Leroy Vega wrestled in the NWCA All-Star meet Monday night.

TENNIS

AT SMU INVITE, SAT.-SUN., FEB. 12-13 - ALL DAY - DALLAS, TEXAS



Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota defeated Penn State 7-0 Sunday afternoon in University Park, Pa.

GYMNASTICS



AT WINTER CUP, FRI.-SAT., FEB. 11-12 - ALL DAY - LAS VEGAS, NEV.

Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota lost to Michigan and Penn State Friday and Michigan State Saturday, both meets in Michigan.

TRACK AND FIELD

AT CYCLONE CLASSIC, FRI.-SAT., FEB. 11-12 - ALL DAY - AMES, IOWA

Last Week's Results:

- Sophomore Andrew McKessock won the 3,000 meter run Saturday at the Minnesota Triangular.



BASEBALL



PRO-ALUMNI, MON., FEB. 7 - 6:30 P.M. - METRODOME/V.S. ILLINOIS STATE, SUN., FEB. 13 - 7 P.M. - METRODOME

Last Week's Results:

- The No. 27th-ranked Golden Gophers open their season this week with the Pro-Alumni Game Monday.

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G Y M N A S T I C S

Gophers set team season highs on the pommel horse, vault, parallel bars and horizontal bar.



LAST WEEK: The Golden Gopher men's gymnastics team made the weekend swing through Michigan last weekend and came away with some outstanding performances. In the triangular meet with defending nation-

al champion Michigan and Penn State on Friday night, the Golden Gophers scored a season-high team score of 223.425.

Freshman Clay Strother (Jasper, Texas) and seniors Lindsey Fang and Chad Conner turned in outstanding performances to lead the Maroon and Gold. Strother scored an amazing 9.95 on his floor exercise routine to earn first-place honors in that event. His score is a Minnesota school record and is the highest score on the floor exercise in the nation this year. Fang scored a 9.825 on the pommel horse, setting a new career-high in the process. He tied with the 1999 NCAA pommel horse champion, Penn State's Brandon Stefaniak, for first place honors in the event. Conner scored a 9.900 on his parallel bars routine tying school record and setting a new career high. Minnesota earned first place honors in three of the six events on the night.

Against Michigan State Saturday night, the Golden Gophers fell by a score of 227.55-222.9. Leading the way for the Golden Gophers was freshman Clay Strother. Fresh off of setting a school record with a 9.95 on the floor exercise Friday night, Strother scored a 9.775 to earn second-place honors in that event Saturday night. Senior Lindsey Fang bettered his career high of 9.825 that he set Friday night with a score of 9.875, good for second place.

A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT: Through Minnesota's first five meets last season the average team score was 212.475. Through the first five meets this season, Minnesota's average team score is 221.460. In last weekend's meets at Michigan and Michigan State, the Golden

while also setting a team season-high score against Michigan/Penn State. The team score of 223.425 was the Golden Gophers' highest team score since March 7, 1998 when they scored a 224.100 against Illinois-Chicago. That was also their last dual meet win.

THE FABULOUS CONNER BOYS: The brother combination of Chad and Justin Conner (Dallas, Texas) have been just one of the key reasons for the improvements that the Golden Gophers have experienced so far this season. Chad put together an outstanding string of performances last weekend including tying the school record with a 9.900 on the parallel bars and setting his career-high all-around at 55.900 on Friday night. He now holds two of the six season best individual scores and the top individual score in the all-around. Not to be left out, Justin has come on strong this season as well. Justin has also set career highs in five of the six events and has set a career high in the all-around with a score of 55.250.

MOLDING THE CLAY: Freshman Clay Strother is leaving his mark on the Golden Gopher program in just his first season with the Maroon and Gold. Besides scoring the record-setting 9.95 in last weekend's meet with Michigan/Penn State, he has also tied the third and fourth highest marks in Golden Gopher history. He is averaging an amazing 9.830 through the first five competitions of the season.

NEXT WEEK: The Golden Gophers return to action on Feb. 19 when they travel to Columbus, Ohio, to take on the Ohio State Buckeyes in a dual meet.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Date	Opponent
Jan. 8	Alumni Meet/L, 223.35-216.05
Jan. 15	Windy City Invitational/5th 219.325
Jan. 22	Illinois/L, 222.250-220.325
Jan. 29	Iowa/L, 223.15-221.325
Feb. 4	Michigan/L, 230.555-223.425
	Penn State/L, 227.300-223.425
Feb. 5	Michigan State/L, 227.550-222.900
Feb. 11-12	Winter Cup/Las Vegas, N.V.
Feb. 19	Ohio/7 p.m.
March 4	U of Chicago-Illinois/1 p.m.
March 11	Nebraska/1 p.m.
March 17-18	*Big Ten Championships/7 p.m.
March 30	#NCAA Qualifying Meet/1 & 7 p.m.
March 31	#NCAA Championships/7 p.m.
April 1	#NCAA Championships/2 p.m.

bold signifies home meet

* Michigan State University - East Lansing, Mich.

University of Iowa - Iowa City, Iowa

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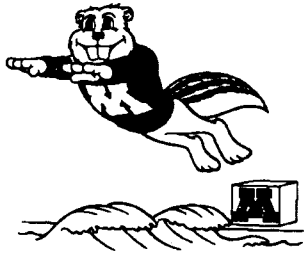
Name	Yr.	Hometown
Chad Conner	SR	Dallas, Texas
Justin Conner	SO	Dallas, Texas
Bart Cramer	SR	Edina, Minn.
Lindsey Fang	SR	Allentown, Pa.
Robert Goss	JR	Kenosha, Wis.
Todd Guilbeau	SO	Houston, Texas
Brian Hutchinson	FR	Floodwood, Minn.
Matthew Kieffer	SR	Inver Grove Heights, Minn.
Tim Koehler	FR	North Bergen, N.J.
Allen Sopko	JR	Brookfield, Wis.
Jason Stingle	FR	Waukesha, Wis.
Clay Strother	FR	Jasper, Texas
Ryan Winterbourne	SR	Anaheim, Calif.

Head Coach: Fred Roethlisberger (Wisconsin, '66)

Assistant Coaches: Thom Glielmi, Russ Fystrom

Volunteer Coach: John Roethlisberger

Trainer: Tom Kiff



SWIMMING & DIVING



NO. 10 MINNESOTA MEN DOMINATE MINNESOTA CHALLENGE: The 10th-ranked University of Minnesota men's swimming and diving team competed its regular season with the Minnesota Challenge last weekend, Feb. 4-5, at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center. The Golden Gophers won four of the five events contested on Friday night and 14 of the 15 events on Saturday, giving them 18 wins in 20 events over the weekend.

Minnesota won both relays on Friday night. In the 200 freestyle relay, the team of **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), **RICARDO DORNELAS** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), **GRANT BUTLER** (West Bend, Wis.) and **ALLEN ONG** (Ipoh, Malaysia) won in a time of 1:23.11 and in the 400 medley relay, the team of Massura, **DOV MALNIK** (Rishon le-zion, Israel) **KEAM ANG** (Ipoh, Malaysia) and **BRANDON CROOK** (Omaha, Neb.) won in a time of 3:21.50.

Senior **YOAV MEIRI** (Modein, Israel) won three events over the weekend, taking first in the 200 individual medley with a time of 1:53.20, in the 100 butterfly with a time of 49.40 and first in the 100 backstroke with a time of 51.87.

Sophomore **SHANE HILLSLEY** (Longmont, Colo.) swept the diving events when he took first place in the three-meter diving with 467.65 points and he won the one-meter diving with 421.75 points.

Freshmen **JEFF HACKLER** (Alpharetta, Ga.) and **MARK**

DILLON (Cumberland, R.I.) placed first in their respective events. Dillon swam a time of 1:41.36 in the 200 freestyle and Hackler swam a time of 4:06.66 in the 400 individual medley.

Others who placed first in their perspective events were **RYAN L'ROY** (Beaverton, Ore.), who placed first in the 1650 freestyle with a time of 15:58.56 and sophomore **BEN BARTELL** (Grafton, Wis.), who placed first in the 200 backstroke with a time of 1:50.80.

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers will compete in the 2000 Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 24-26.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Oct. 16	Intrasquad Meet	No Team Scores
Oct. 29	Alumni Meet	No Team Scores
Nov. 5-6	N. Carolina	W, 235-135
	Nebraska	W, 247-123
Nov. 13	Northwestern	W, 198-95
Nov. 19-21	Minnesota Invitational	1st/12 teams
Dec. 3-5	Texas Invitational	No Team Scores
Jan. 21	Iowa	W, 186-83
Jan. 28-29	Triple Duals	
	Purdue	W, 218-118
	Wisconsin	W, 227-100
Feb. 4-5	Minnesota Challenge	No Team Scores
Feb. 24-26	Big Ten Championships	Ann Arbor, Mich.
March 5	Go-Pher It Invitational	Aquatic Center
March 9-11	NCAA Diving Zone Qual.	Aquatic Center
March 23-25	NCAA Championships	Aquatic Center

Ryan Ayres	Jr.	Snellville, Ga.
Ben Bartell	So.	Grafton, Wis.
David Batulis	Fr.	Burnsville, Minn.
Ben Baumann	Fr.	Overland Park, Kan.
Max von Bodungen	So.	Malmö, Sweden
Chris Brunson	Fr.	Madison, Wis.
Blair Buccicone	So.	Rochester, Minn.
Grant Butler	Jr.	West Bend, Wis.
Dan Croaston	Jr.	Champlin, Minn.
Brandon Crook	So.	Omaha, Neb.
Travis Crow	So.	Sheboygan, Wis.
Mark Dillon	Fr.	Cumberland, R.I.
Ricardo Dornelas	So.	Jacaraide, Brazil
Chris Forrest	So.	Appleton, Wis.
Karl Frisinger	Fr.	Napa, Calif.
Jeff Hackler	Fr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
Ben Herdt	Fr.	East Lansing, Mich.
Shane Hillsley	So.	Longmont, Colo.
Brian Howard	Sr.	Kearney, Mo.
Chad Krastins	So.	Apple Valley, Minn.
Ryan L'Roy	Fr.	Beaverton, Ore.
Mike Mahoney	Fr.	Edina, Minn.
Dov Malnik	So.	Rishon Le-Zion, Israel
Alex Massura	Jr.	Sao Paulo, Brazil
Marc Maynard	Fr.	St. Paul, Minn.
Yoav Meiri	Sr.	Modein, Israel
Mike Melrose	Fr.	Eau Claire, Wis.
Allen Ong	Fr.	Perak, Malaysia
Brian Porter	So.	Omaha, Neb.
Shane Ryan	Fr.	Cross Plains, Wis.
Brandon Schindler	Sr.	Saratoga, Calif.
Tim Sheely	Jr.	Schaumburg, Ill.
Aaron Shilt	Fr.	Appleton, Wis.
Todd Smolinski	Fr.	St. John, Ind.
Peter Sonstegard	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Matt Taylor	Fr.	Shorewood, Minn.
Nick Toumanoff	Fr.	Pewaukee, Wis.
Adam White	Fr.	Hopkins, Minn.

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Keam Ang	Jr.	Ipoh, Malaysia
Mark Atoowd	Fr.	Alexandria, Minn.

TENNIS



GOLDEN GOPHERS CRUSH PENN STATE 7-0: The No. 23-ranked University of Minnesota men's tennis team crushed Penn State Sunday afternoon 7-0 in University Park, Pa. The Golden

Gophers won all six singles matches and all three doubles matches to earn the 7-0 shutout.

At No. 1 singles freshman Harsh Mankad defeated Steve Van Der Westhuyzen of Penn State 6-4, 6-3. Following Mankad at No. 2 singles was sophomore Thomas Haug, who defeated Marc Dorfman with a 6-1, 6-2 victory. Junior Jorge Duenas topped Jeff Martini at No. 3 singles 6-0, 7-5. At No. 4 singles senior captain Martin Michalowski defeated Jamie Gresh 6-4, 6-4 and at No. 5 singles junior Jon Svensson defeated Matt Frakes 6-1, 6-4. Rounding out the singles was freshman Eric Robertson, who won his match over Damon Accardi 2-6, 6-2, 6-4.

In doubles action, Haug and Michalowski defeated Dorfman and Martini 8-4 at No. 1. Svensson and Robertson won their match at No. 2 doubles with an 8-6 score over Accardi and Van Der Westhuyzen. At No. 3 doubles, Mankad and Duenas defeated Gresh and Frakes 8-6.

OFF TO AN UNDEFEATED START: The Golden Gophers are off to their first undefeated start in dual meets since the 1993 season when they started off with 12 straight dual meet wins. In 1993 Minnesota finished the year with a 29-2 overall record and placed



first at the Big Ten Championships. They also finished with a 14-0 dual meet record in the Big Ten. Minnesota is 1-0 in Big Ten dual meets so far this year.

MINNESOTA RANKED 23RD: The

Golden Gophers are ranked 23rd in the latest ITA poll. That is a significant step up from 33rd, which was the previous ranking. Minnesota is the second highest Big Ten team ranked, Illinois is ranked 10th overall. Michigan is next at 32nd, Indiana at 33rd, Ohio State at 58th, Purdue at 74th, Michigan State tied for 75th with Northwestern. Ranked No. 1 is UCLA followed by LSU in second and Stanford in third.

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers will travel to Dallas, Texas, this weekend to compete in the Southern Methodist University Invitational. Other teams competing include: No. 8 SMU, No. 30 Boise State and No. 25 Clemson.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Jan. 4-9	Milwaukee Tennis Classic/No Team Scores
Jan. 7	University of Marquette/W, 6-1
Jan. 15-17	Big Ten Singles Championships/No Team Scores
Jan. 21-22	Ice Volleys (98th Street Racquet Club)
	New Mexico/W, 5-2
	Washington/W, 5-2
Jan. 29-30	Louisville Invite (Louisville, Ky.)
	Louisville/W, 5-2
	Middle Tennessee State/W, 5-2
	Kansas/W, 7-0
Feb. 6	Penn State/W, 7-0
Feb. 12-13	SMU Invite
Feb. 19	Virginia Tech
Feb. 19	Ohio State
Feb. 25-27	National Team Indoors
March 3-5	Corpus Christi Invitational
March 18	Michigan State (98th Street Racquet Club)
March 19	Michigan (98th Street Racquet Club)
March 26-31	BYU Invitational (Hawaii)
April 8	Wisconsin
April 9	Iowa
April 14	Illinois (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 15	Northwestern (98th Street Racquet Club)

April 22	Purdue (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 23	Indiana (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 27-30	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, Ind.)

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Jorge Duenas	Jr.	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
Thomas Haug	So.	Zurich, Switzerland
Harsh Mankad	Fr.	Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
Ed Marques	Jr.	Brasillia, Brazil
Nathan McLain	Fr.	Prior Lake, Minn.
Martin Michalowski	Jr.	Ottawa, Ontario
Tyson Parry	Jr.	Chatham, Ontario
Eric Robertson	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis.
Karl Sloss	So.	Kildeer, Ill.
Steve Solberg	Fr.	Fridley, Minn.
Jon Svensson	Jr.	Kristianstad, Sweden



TRACK & FIELD



MINNESOTA WINS SEVEN TITLES AT

THE MINNESOTA TRIANGULAR: Sophomore

ANDREW MCKESSOCK (Owen Sound, Ontario) won his third race of the season when he took first place in the 3,000m run with a time of 8:14.24 at the 2000 Minnesota Triangular, which featured Drake and Minnesota State, Mankato. Minnesota senior **NATE CLAY** (Grand Rapids, Mich.) placed fourth in the same event with a time of 8:27.63.

Freshman **ERIK FOLEY** (White Bear Lake, Minn.) placed first in the 400m dash with a time of 50.25 and junior **TOM GERDING** (Waconia, Minn.) continues to increase his times in the 600m dash, running a season-high 1:18.59. Teammate **BOB QUADE** (Sherburn, Minn.) came in second with a time of 1:20.18.

Sophomore **JOEY CORR** (Redmond, Wash.) ran to a second place finish in the mile run with a personal-best time of 4:11.89.

MICHAEL EHLERS (Red Wind, Minn.) placed first in the shot put with a throw of 53-9 3/4, while teammate **BEN MEYER** (Pine Island, Minn.) placed first in the weight throw with a heave of 54-7 1/2. Teammates **MARK FAHEY** (Scandia, Minn.) and Michael Ehlers came in second and third, respectively, with throws of 51-10 and 47-10 1/2.

Freshman **SCOTT BERGGREN** (Hortonville, Wis.) won the high jump with a leap of 6-4 3/4.

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers hit the road

for the first time during the indoor season when they travel to Ames, Iowa, to compete in the annual Cyclone Challenge Feb. 11-12. Minnesota will return home for their last home meet of the indoor season Feb. 18, when they host the 2000 Snowshoe Invitational. The Big Ten Indoor Championships will be held at Bloomington, Ind., Feb. 26-27.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

January

Jan. 8	Early Bird Open	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 15	Northwest Open	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 22	Iowa/South Dakota	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores /Wisconsin
Jan. 29	Marquette/Georgia	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores S.W. Missouri State

February

Feb. 5	Drake/Minn. St.	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Feb. 11-12	Cyclone Classic	Ames, Iowa
Feb. 18	Snowshoe	UM Fieldhouse
Feb. 26-27	Big Ten Indoor	Bloomington, Ind.

March

March 3	NCAA Qualifying	Ames, Iowa
March 10-11	NCAA Indoor	Fayetteville, Ark.
March 24-25	Baldy Castillo	Tempe, Ariz.

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Scott Bergen	So.	Hortonville, Wis.
Josh Brang	Sr.	Winona, Minn.
Steve Burkholder	Sr.	Superior, Wis.
Nate Clay	Sr.	Grand Rapids, Minn.
Joey Corr	So.	Redmond, Wash.
Christopher Dixon	Fr.	Burnsville, Minn.
Zach Edmonson	So.	Ballwin, Mo.
Michael Ehlers	So.	Red Wing, Minn.
Mark Fahey	Jr.	Scandia, Minn.
Erik Foley	Fr.	White Bear Lake, Minn.

Adam Freed	So.	St. Paul, Minn.
Thoams Gerding	Jr.	Waconia, Minn.
Neil Hanson	Fr.	Granada, Minn.
Toby Henkels	So.	Worthington, Minn.
Marc Johannsen	Jr.	Miller, S.D.
Andy Kummer	So.	White Bear Lake, Minn.
Glenn Lindqvist	Sr.	Aland, Finland
Linus Lindroth	Fr.	
Brent Loberg	Fr.	Duluth, Minn.
Ryan Mack	Fr.	Ukiah, Calif.
Jesse Madsen	Jr.	Menomonie, Wis.
Wil McComb	Fr.	Midmay, Ontario, Canada
Lyndon McDowell	So.	Port Elgin, Ontario, Canada
Andrew McKessock	So.	Bognor, Ontario, Canada
Ryan Melena	Fr.	Arden Hills, Minn.
Ben Meyer	Jr.	Pine Island, Minn.
Brian Meyer	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn.
Luke Mullranin	Fr.	Bemidji, Minn.
Jason Owen	Jr.	Stewartville, Minn.
Joe Palke	Fr.	Roseville, Minn.
Jayne Pantekoek	So.	Mankato, Minn.
Eric Pierce	Sr.	Lino Lakes, Minn.
Jeremy Polson	Sr.	Duluth, Minn.
Mitchell Potter	Fr.	Isanti, Minn.
Matthew Prebil	Fr.	Blaine, Minn.
Robert Quade	Jr.	Sherburn, Minn.
Erik Quam	So.	Alexandria, Minn.
Lynden Reder	Fr.	Luverne, Minn.
Fred Rodgers	Jr.	Hamilton, Ohio
Steve Slattery	So.	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
Chuck Smith	Sr.	Lakeville, Minn.
Matthew Stark	So.	Apple Valley, Minn.
Adam Steele	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Michael Stoick	Sr.	St. Michael, Minn.
Derek Sykes	Fr.	North Branch, Minn.
Ben Taylor	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Matt Taylor	Fr.	Duluth, Minn.
Scott Utne	So.	Falcon Heights, Minn.
Andrew Wiberg	Jr.	Roseville, Minn.
Jude Wimberger	Sr.	Fond du Lac, Wis.
Andy Wohlin	So.	St. Paul, Minn.

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GREAT GOPHER SPORTS AUCTION TO BE HELD APRIL 15 AT WILLIAMS ARENA

The fifth annual Great Gopher Sports Auction will take place Saturday, April 15 at Williams Arena. Registration and social hour begin at 6 p.m. at the Oak Street Lobby. The silent auction begins at 7 p.m. with the live auction following at 9 p.m.

Last year the Great Gopher Sports Auction raised over \$89,000 for the Williams Fund and Men's Athletics. Money raised helps the men's athletics department offset the \$2.5 million dollars that go toward eleven sports scholarship costs and events.

Tickets to the auction are \$20 each and include unlimited food and beverages. Golden Gopher coaches and student-athletes will be on hand during the event. For more information please contact the Williams Fund at (612) 625-1001.



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PETERSEN & BROWNING NAMED GOLDEN GOPHER CO-OFFENSIVE COORDINATORS; SMITH TO COACH GUARDS & CENTERS

University of Minnesota Head Football Coach Glen Mason announced today that Tony Petersen and Mitch Browning have been named co-offensive coordinators for the Golden Gophers. Mason also named Jared Smith the Golden Gophers' guards and centers coach.

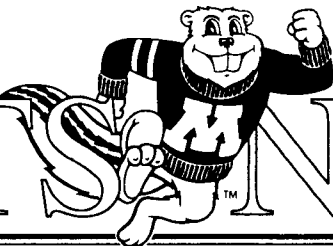
Petersen just completed his first season as the Golden Gophers' quarterbacks coach, a role he will maintain in addition to his coordinator duties. He was instrumental in last season's success of record-setting senior quarterback Billy Cockerham, who set new single-season school records for total offense (2,922 yards), rushing yards by a quarterback (831) and rushing touchdowns by a quarterback (10). A 1988 graduate of Marshall University where he charted a standout career of his own at quarterback for the Thundering Herd, Petersen came to the U of M after eight successful seasons as an assistant coach at his alma mater. He served as the offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach in 1998 when the Thundering Herd captured its second straight Mid-American Conference title.

Browning, a member of Coach Mason's staff at Kent State University, Kansas and now at Minnesota, will continue to coach the Golden Gopher tight ends and tackles in addition to his coordinator duties. He helped to develop senior tight end Alex Hass into an honorable mention All-Big Ten selection this past season. Browning was the team's tight ends coach/recruiting coordinator in both 1997 and 1998. The Golden Gophers' signed outstanding recruiting classes both years. Browning is a 1979 graduate of Capital (Ohio) University where he was a four-year letterwinner at linebacker during his collegiate career and an All-Ohio Athletic Conference selection as a senior. A versatile coach, he has coached seven different positions during his 21-year coaching career.

"I thought we made significant progress on the offensive side of the ball last season, and Tony and Mitch played major roles in that success," Mason said. "As a result, I felt it was important to maintain as much continuity as possible."

Smith spent the past two seasons as a graduate assistant coach for the Golden Gophers. A 1996 graduate of the University of Kansas, he was a four-year letterwinner at center during his collegiate career for Coach Mason's Jayhawks. As a senior, Smith helped lead Kansas to a convincing 51-30 defeat of UCLA in the Aloha Bowl.

"Jared is an outstanding young man who was a fine football player for me at Kansas," Mason said. "I have been tremendously impressed with his work as a graduate assistant coach for us the past two seasons, not only with our offensive line, but also as the coordinator of our special teams on gameday."



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PRZYBILLA NAMED BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Sophomore Joel Przybilla was named the Big Ten Player of the Week for his efforts vs. Indiana last Wednesday night. Przybilla scored 33 points, pulled down 14 rebounds, had three assists and blocked three shots in Minnesota's 77-75 upset win against No. 10 Indiana. He was 11-for-11 and scored 22 of his 33 points in the second half and scored the last four points in the game, including the winning basket with 3.9 seconds left in the game. It is the second time this year he has been honored with the award.

In Big Ten games, Przybilla leads the team in scoring with 17.2 points per game, in rebounds with 11.2 points per game and in blocked shots with four blocks per game. He also leads the team in scoring in all games with 14.2 points per game, in rebounds with 8.2 rebounds per game and blocked shots with 3.6 per game. Przybilla is seventh in the nation and leads the Big Ten in field goal percentage with .613, is sixth in the nation and second in the Big Ten in blocked shots, third in the conference in rebounds and 12th in the Big Ten in scoring.



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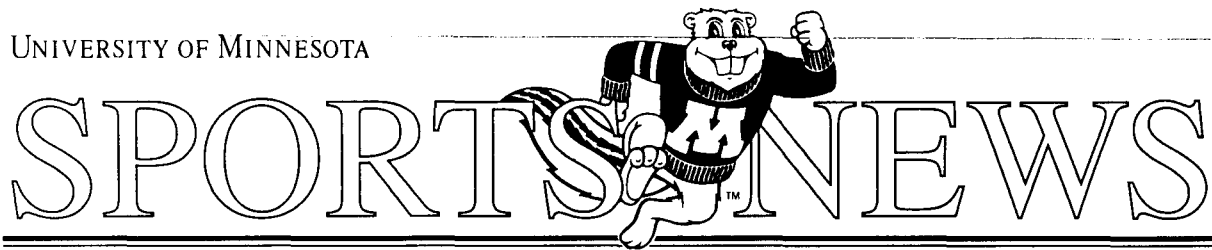
February 14, 2000

SURGERY ON BICKERSTAFF'S FRACTURED TIBIA IS SUCCESSFUL

The University of Minnesota announced today that the surgery to repair the fracture in John-Blair Bickerstaff's right tibia was successful and full recovery is expected. Bickerstaff will not be allowed to put any weight on the fracture for eight weeks. Following that period he will begin rehabilitation of the leg, with full recovery expected in 16-18 weeks.

"John Blair's fracture was in the growth plate of his right tibia just below where the patella tendon attaches to the bone," said Men's Athletics Medical Director and team orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Liza Arendt. "The x-rays suggest that the fracture occurred at the location of an old stress fracture. We reduced the fracture with three screws and the surgery went very well and I anticipate a full recovery."

Dr. Liza Arendt and Dr. Marc Swiontkowski performed the surgery on Bickerstaff this morning at the Fairview/University Medical Center. Dr. Arendt is the Medical Director for Men's Intercollegiate Athletics, a member of the University of Minnesota Department of Orthopedic Surgery and the team's orthopedic surgeon. Dr. Swiontkowski is the Chairman of the University of Minnesota Department of Orthopedic Surgery and a specialist in bone trauma (bone fractures).



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MONSON SUSPENDS PRZYBILLA FOR ACADEMIC ISSUES

University of Minnesota Men's Basketball Coach Dan Monson announced today that he has suspended center Joel Przybilla indefinitely for a lack of academic commitment. Przybilla will sit out at least Thursday's game vs. Illinois at Williams Arena.

"Joel and I met before practice to discuss some academic issues," said Monson. "I notified him that he would not play Thursday and was suspended indefinitely until he addressed those issues. The ball is in Joel's court. We have guidelines on this team for academics and Joel was very well aware of the guidelines and the repercussions of not adhering to them. My main concerns are for Joel and our team. He is a fine young man who needs to get his priorities straight. If you are a member of the University of Minnesota basketball team, you are going to be held accountable for what you do on the court, what you do socially and what you do in the classroom."

"I fully support coach Monson's decision," said Interim Athletics Director Tom Moe. "It is imperative that we send the right message to our student athletes, the University and the community at large that we take academic issues seriously. It takes a coach with strong values to make this type of decision and that is why Mark Dienhart and President Yudof hired Dan. He is not afraid to make the tough decisions."

THIS WEEK IN MEN'S ATHLETICS

February 14-20, 2000

BASKETBALL



VS. ILLINOIS, THURS., FEB. 17 - 6 P.M. - WILLIAMS ARENA
AT PURDUE, SAT., FEB. 19 - 1:30 P.M. - WEST LAFAYETTE, IND.
MIDWEST SPORTS CHANNEL LIVE & WCCO 830 AM LIVE

Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota 77, Indiana 75 (Williams Arena)

HOCKEY

AT MICHIGAN TECH, FRI., FEB. 18 - 6:35 P.M., SAT., FEB. 19 - 6 P.M. - HOUGHTON, MICH.
KSTP 1500-AM LIVE



Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gophers split with Colorado College winning 6-2 Friday and losing 5-1 Saturday.

WRESTLING



VS. NORTHWESTERN, FRI., FEB. 18 - 7:30 P.M. - FAIRMONT, MINN.
VS. IOWA, SUN., FEB. 20 - 2 P.M. - WILLIAMS ARENA

Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota defeated No. 9 Michigan 32-6 Friday night and No. 11 Michigan State 25-9 Sunday in Michigan.

TENNIS

VS. VIRGINIA TECH, SAT., FEB. 19 - 7 P.M./VS. OHIO STATE, SUN. FEB. 20 - 1 P.M. - COLUMBUS, OHIO



Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota lost to No. 7 SMU 4-2, defeated Boise State 4-1 and lost to Clemson 4-3 at the SMU Invite.

GYMNASTICS



AT OHIO STATE, SAT., FEB. 19 - 7 P.M. - COLUMBUS, OHIO

Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota will resume competition this weekend after having a bye last weekend due to the Winter Cup.

TRACK AND FIELD

SNOWSHOE OPEN, FRI., FEB. 18 - ALL DAY - FIELD HOUSE



Last Week's Results:

- Andrew McKessock clocked a school-record time of 4:02.56 in the mile run Saturday in Ames, Iowa.

BASEBALL



VS. ILLINOIS STATE (2), MON., FEB. 14 - 1 P.M. - METRODOME
AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC, FRI., FEB. 18 - 6 P.M./SAT., FEB. 19 - 2 P.M./SUN., FEB. 20 - 11 A.M. - BOCA RATON, FLA.

Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gophers won their season opener with a 9-1 victory over Illinois State at the Metrodome.

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G Y M N A S T I C S



LAST WEEK: Freshman Clay Strother (Jasper, Texas) and Justin Conner (Dallas, Texas) both competed at the 2000 Winter Cup in Las Vegas, Nev. Strother scored

a 49.500 to qualify for the second day of competition. He scored a 9.300 in his pommel horse routine which was the fifth-highest scored recorded in the qualifying round. Former Golden Gopher great and current volunteer assistant coach John Roethlisberger scored a 53.850 and tied for fifth place in the qualifying round. He came back in the second day to score a 53.875 to finish fifth overall. Conner scored a 48.900 and did not qualify for the second day of competition.

A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT: The Golden Gopher men's gymnastics team has made a significant improvement from where it was last year at this time. Through its first five meets last season the average team score was 212.475. Through the first five meets this season, Minnesota's average team score is 221.460. In last weekend's meets at Michigan and Michigan State, the Golden Gophers set team-season highs on the pommel horse, vault, parallel bars and horizontal bar while also setting a team season high score against Michigan/Penn State. The team score of 223.425 was the Golden Gophers highest team score since March 7, 1998 when they scored a 224.100 against Illinois-Chicago. That was also their last dual meet win.

THE FABULOUS CONNER BOYS: The brother combination of Chad and Justin Conner (Dallas, Texas) have been just one of the key reasons for the improvements that the

Golden Gophers have experienced so far this season. Chad put together an outstanding string of performances this season including tying the school record with a 9.900 on the parallel bars and setting his career-high all-around at 55.900 on against Michigan. He now holds two of the six season best individual scores and the top individual score in the all-around. Not to be left out, Justin has come on strong this season as well. Justin owns the individual season high score on the vault at 9.450 along with Bob Goss (Kenosha, Wis.). He has also set career highs in five of the six events and has set a career high in the all-around with a score of 55.250.

MOLDING THE CLAY: Freshman Clay Strother is leaving his mark on the Golden Gopher program in just his first season with the Maroon and Gold. The freshman from Jasper, Texas is tearing up the mat on the floor exercise, his favorite event. Besides scoring the record-setting 9.95 in the meet with Michigan/Penn State, he has also tied the third and fourth highest marks in Golden Gopher history. He is averaging an amazing 9.830 through the first five competitions of the season. Strother currently occupies the top spot in the nation on the floor exercise.

NEXT WEEK: The Golden Gophers return to action Feb. 19 when they travel to Columbus, Ohio, to take on the Ohio State Buckeyes in a dual meet.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Date	Opponent
Jan. 8	Alumni Meet/L, 223.35-216.05
Jan. 15	Windy City Invitational/5th 219.325
Jan. 22	Illinois/L, 222.250-220.325
Jan. 29	Iowa/L, 223.15-221.325
Feb. 4	Michigan/L, 230.555-223.425
	Penn State/L, 227.300-223.425
Feb. 5	Michigan State/L, 227.550-222.900
Feb. 19	Ohio State/7 p.m.
March 4	U of Chicago-Illinois/1 p.m.
March 11	Nebraska/1 p.m.
March 17-18	*Big Ten Championships/7 p.m.
March 30	#NCAA Qualifying Meet/1 & 7 p.m.
March 31	#NCAA Championships/7 p.m.
April 1	#NCAA Championships/2 p.m.

bold signifies home meet

* Michigan State University - East Lansing, Mich.

University of Iowa - Iowa City, Iowa

2000 GOLDEN GOPHERS

Name	Yr.	Hometown
Chad Conner	SR	Dallas, Texas
Justin Conner	SO	Dallas, Texas
Bart Cramer	SR	Edina, Minn.
Lindsey Fang	SR	Allentown, Pa.
Robert Goss	JR	Kenosha, Wis.
Todd Guilbeau	SO	Houston, Texas
Brian Hutchinson	FR	Floodwood, Minn.
Matthew Kieffer	SR	Inver Grove Heights, Minn.
Tim Koehler	FR	North Bergen, N.J.
Allen Sopko	JR	Brookfield, Wis.
Jason Stingle	FR	Waukesha, Wis.
Clay Strother	FR	Jasper, Texas
Ryan Winterbourne	SR	Anaheim, Calif.

Head Coach: Fred Roethlisberger (Wisconsin, '66)

Assistant Coaches: Thom Glielmi, Russ Fystrom

Volunteer Coach: John Roethlisberger

Trainer: Tom Kiff



SWIMMING & DIVING



NO. 10 MINNESOTA MEN DOMINATE MINNESOTA CHALLENGE: The 10th-ranked University of Minnesota men's swimming and diving team competed its regular season with the Minnesota Challenge last weekend, Feb. 4-5, at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center. The Golden Gophers won four of the five events contested on Friday night and 14 of the 15 events on Saturday, giving them 18 wins in 20 events over the weekend.

Minnesota won both relays on Friday night. In the 200 freestyle relay, the team of **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), **RICARDO DORNELAS** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), **GRANT BUTLER** (West Bend, Wis.) and **ALLEN ONG** (Ipoh, Malaysia) won in a time of 1:23.11 and in the 400 medley relay, the team of Massura, **DOV MALNIK** (Rishon le-zion, Israel) **KEAM ANG** (Ipoh, Malaysia) and **BRANDON CROOK** (Omaha, Neb.) won in a time of 3:21.50.

Senior **YOAV MEIRI** (Modein, Israel) won three events over the weekend, taking first in the 200 individual medley with a time of 1:53.20, in the 100 butterfly with a time of 49.40 and first in the 100 backstroke with a time of 51.87.

Sophomore **SHANE HILLSLEY** (Longmont, Colo.) swept the diving events when he took first place in the three-meter diving with 467.65 points and he won the one-meter diving with 421.75 points.

Freshmen **JEFF HACKLER** (Alpharetta, Ga.) and **MARK**

DILLON (Cumberland, R.I.) placed first in their respective events. Dillon swam a time of 1:41.36 in the 200 freestyle and Hackler swam a time of 4:06.66 in the 400 individual medley.

Others who placed first in their perspective events were **RYAN L'ROY** (Beaverton, Ore.), who placed first in the 1650 freestyle with a time of 15:58.56 and sophomore **BEN BARTELL** (Grafton, Wis.), who placed first in the 200 backstroke with a time of 1:50.80.

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers will compete in the 2000 Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich., Feb. 24-26.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Oct. 16	Intrasquad Meet	No Team Scores
Oct. 29	Alumni Meet	No Team Scores
Nov. 5-6	N. Carolina	W, 235-135
	Nebraska	W, 247-123
Nov. 13	Northwestern	W, 198-95
Nov. 19-21	Minnesota Invitational	1st/12 teams
Dec. 3-5	Texas Invitational	No Team Scores
Jan. 21	Iowa	W, 186-83
Jan. 28-29	Triple Duals	
	Purdue	W, 218-118
	Wisconsin	W, 227-100
Feb. 4-5	Minnesota Challenge	No Team Scores
Feb. 24-26	Big Ten Championships	Ann Arbor, Mich.
March 5	Go-Pher It Invitational	Aquatic Center
March 9-11	NCAA Diving Zone Qual.	Aquatic Center
March 23-25	NCAA Championships	Aquatic Center

Ryan Ayres	Jr.	Snellville, Ga.
Ben Bartell	So.	Grafton, Wis.
David Batulis	Fr.	Burnsville, Minn.
Ben Baumann	Fr.	Overland Park, Kan.
Max von Bodungen	So.	Malmö, Sweden
Chris Brunson	Fr.	Madison, Wis.
Blair Buccicone	So.	Rochester, Minn.
Grant Butler	Jr.	West Bend, Wis.
Dan Croaston	Jr.	Champlin, Minn.
Brandon Crook	So.	Omaha, Neb.
Travis Crow	So.	Sheboygan, Wis.
Mark Dillon	Fr.	Cumberland, R.I.
Ricardo Dornelas	So.	Jacaraide, Brazil
Chris Forrest	So.	Appleton, Wis.
Karl Frisinger	Fr.	Napa, Calif.
Jeff Hackler	Fr.	Alpharetta, Ga.
Ben Herdt	Fr.	East Lansing, Mich.
Shane Hillsley	So.	Longmont, Colo.
Brian Howard	Sr.	Kearney, Mo.
Chad Krastins	So.	Apple Valley, Minn.
Ryan L'Roy	Fr.	Beaverton, Ore.
Mike Mahoney	Fr.	Edina, Minn.
Dov Malnik	So.	Rishon Le-Zion, Israel
Alex Massura	Jr.	Sao Paulo, Brazil
Marc Maynard	Fr.	St. Paul, Minn.
Yoav Meiri	Sr.	Modein, Israel
Mike Melrose	Fr.	Eau Claire, Wis.
Allen Ong	Fr.	Perak, Malaysia
Brian Porter	So.	Omaha, Neb.
Shane Ryan	Fr.	Cross Plains, Wis.
Brandon Schindler	Sr.	Saratoga, Calif.
Tim Sheely	Jr.	Schaumburg, Ill.
Aaron Shilt	Fr.	Appleton, Wis.
Todd Smolinski	Fr.	St. John, Ind.
Peter Sonstegard	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Matt Taylor	Fr.	Shorewood, Minn.
Nick Toumanoff	Fr.	Pewaukee, Wis.
Adam White	Fr.	Hopkins, Minn.

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Keam Ang	Jr.	Ipoh, Malaysia
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TENNIS



GOLDEN GOPERS COMPETE AT SMU INVITE: The No. 23-ranked Golden Gophers lost to No. 7 Southern Methodist University 4-2, defeated No. 29 Boise State 4-1 and lost to No. 26

Clemson 4-3 at the SMU Invitational this past weekend in Dallas, Texas.

Saturday afternoon, Minnesota lost to SMU 4-2 in the first match of the afternoon. Junior Tyson Parry won the lone singles match for Minnesota, defeating Alexis Rudzinski 6-3, 6-4 at No. 5 singles. Minnesota then won two of three doubles matches to earn the doubles point. Sophomore Thomas Haug and senior Martin Michalowski defeated Toby Hansson and Jon Wallmark at No. 1 doubles 8-5. At No. 2 doubles junior Jorge Duenas and freshman Harsh Mankad defeated Dustin Mauck and Vinay Venkataraghavan 9-7.

Later that day the Golden Gophers defeated No. 29 Boise State 4-1. Minnesota won three singles matches and won two of three doubles matches to earn the doubles point. Mankad defeated Wesley Moodie of Boise State 7-5, 1-6, 6-4 at No. 1 singles. At No. 3 singles, Duenas defeated Rio Kuharski 6-1, 6-1 and at No. 6 singles, junior Jon Svensson defeated Mark Roberts 7-5, 7-6.

In doubles action, Haug and Michalowski defeated Leif Meineke and Moodie 9-7 at No. 1 doubles. At No. 2 doubles, Duenas and Mankad defeated Roberts and Andrew Roumieh 8-5 at No. 2.

Sunday, the Golden Gophers lost a really close match to No. 26 Clemson. Minnesota won three singles matches and one doubles



match and lost another doubles match in a tiebreaker.

Winning in singles competition was Haug over Garcia 6-2, 3-6, 6-4 at No. 2 singles. At No. 4 singles Michalowski defeated Eschmeyer 6-4, 6-7, 6-3. At No. 5 singles, Parry topped Darren Knight 5-7, 6-3, 6-2.

In doubles play, Haug and Michalowski defeated Goffi and Knight 9-8 at the No. 1 position. At No. 2 doubles, Duenas and Mankad lost to Boinecki and Marco Gojanovic 9-8.

MINNESOTA RANKED 23RD: The Golden Gophers are ranked 23rd in the latest ITA poll. That is a significant step up from 33rd, which was the previous ranking. Minnesota is the second highest Big Ten team ranked, Illinois is ranked 11th overall. Michigan is next at 32nd, Indiana at 33rd, Ohio State at 54th, Purdue at 66th, Iowa is ranked 68th and Wisconsin is ranked 71st. Ranked No. 1 is LSU followed by Stanford in second and Duke in third.

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers will travel to Columbus, Ohio, to compete in a dual meet against No. 47 Virginia Tech and No. 54 Ohio State Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Jan. 4-9	Milwaukee Tennis Classic/No Team Scores
Jan. 7	University of Marquette/W, 6-1
Jan. 15-17	Big Ten Singles Championships/No Team Scores
Jan. 21-22	Ice Volleys (98th Street Racquet Club)
	New Mexico/W, 5-2
	Washington/W, 5-2
Jan. 29-30	Louisville Invite (Louisville, Ky.)
	Louisville/W, 5-2
	Middle Tennessee State/W, 5-2
	Kansas/W, 7-0
Feb. 6	Penn State/W, 7-0
Feb. 12-13	SMU Invite
	SMU/L, 4-2
	Boise State/W, 4-1
	Clemson/L, 4-3
Feb. 19	Virginia Tech
Feb. 19	Ohio State
Feb. 25-27	National Team Indoors
March 3-5	Corpus Christi Invitational
March 18	Michigan State (98th Street Racquet Club)
March 19	Michigan (98th Street Racquet Club)
March 26-31	BYU Invitational (Hawaii)
April 8	Wisconsin

April 9	Iowa
April 14	Illinois (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 15	Northwestern (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 22	Purdue (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 23	Indiana (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 27-30	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, Ind.)

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Jorge Duenas	Jr.	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
Thomas Haug	So.	Zurich, Switzerland
Harsh Mankad	Fr.	Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
Ed Marques	Jr.	Brasillia, Brazil
Nathan McLain	Fr.	Prior Lake, Minn.
Martin Michalowski	Jr.	Ottawa, Ontario
Tyson Parry	Jr.	Chatham, Ontario
Eric Robertson	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis.
Karl Sloss	So.	Kildeer, Ill.
Steve Solberg	Fr.	Fridley, Minn.
Jon Svensson	Jr.	Kristianstad, Sweden



TRACK & FIELD



MINNESOTA SETS TWO SCHOOL RECORDS AT THE IOWA STATE CLASSIC:

Sophomore **ANDREW MCKESSOCK** (Owen Sound, Ontario) clocked a school-record time of 4:02.56 in the mile run and placed second in the event Saturday, at the Iowa State Classic in Ames, Iowa. McKessock's time of 4:02.56 was also a career-best for him. The previous record in the mile was 4:02.73, set by Paul Michalek in 1995.

Big Ten outdoor champion **TOM GERDING** set a school record in the 400m dash with a time of 47.10. The previous record was 47.33, set by Scott Beadle in 1996.

Freshman **CHRIS DIXON** (Burnsville, Minn.) placed sixth in the triple jump with a jump of 49-10 (15.19m), which is a personal-best jump for him.

Sophomore **BOB QUADE** (Sherburn, Minn.) placed first in the 600 yard run with a time of 1:10.35. Teammate Andy Wohlin (St. Paul, Minn.) placed third in the event with a time of 1:11.73.

Junior **MARC JOHANNSEN** (Miller, S.D.) placed fourth in the high jump with a jump of 6-11 1/2 (2.12m).

Golden Gophers' **JEREMY POLSON** (Duluth, Minn.) and **JOEY CORR** (Redmond, Wash.,) placed eighth and 13th, respectively, in the 5,000m run with times of 14:28.54 and 14:42.74.

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers will play host to the Snowshoe Invitational on Friday, Feb. 18 at 6 p.m. at the U of M Fieldhouse. Minnesota will compete in the Big Ten Championships on Feb. 26 and 27.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

January

Jan. 8	Early Bird Open	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 15	Northwest Open	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 22	Iowa/South Dakota	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores /Wisconsin
Jan. 29	Marquette/Georgia	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores S.W. Missouri State

February

Feb. 5	Drake/Minn. St.	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Feb. 11-12	Cyclone Classic	Ames, Iowa/No Team Scores
Feb. 18	Snowshoe	UM Fieldhouse
Feb. 26-27	Big Ten Indoor	Bloomington, Ind.

March


March 3	NCAA Qualifying	Ames, Iowa
March 10-11	NCAA Indoor	Fayetteville, Ark.
March 24-25	Baldy Castillo	Tempe, Ariz.

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Scott Bergen	So.	Hortonville, Wis.
Josh Brang	Sr.	Winona, Minn.
Steve Burkholder	Sr.	Superior, Wis.
Nate Clay	Sr.	Grand Rapids, Minn.
Joey Corr	So.	Redmond, Wash.
Christopher Dixon	Fr.	Burnsville, Minn.
Zach Edmonson	So.	Ballwin, Mo.
Michael Ehlers	So.	Red Wing, Minn.
Mark Fahey	Jr.	Scandia, Minn.
Erik Foley	Fr.	White Bear Lake, Minn.

Adam Freed	So.	St. Paul, Minn.
Thoams Gerding	Jr.	Waconia, Minn.
Neil Hanson	Fr.	Granada, Minn.
Toby Henkels	So.	Worthington, Minn.
Marc Johannsen	Jr.	Miller, S.D.
Andy Kummer	So.	White Bear Lake, Minn.
Glenn Lindqvist	Sr.	Aland, Finland
Linus Lindroth	Fr.	
Brent Loberg	Fr.	Duluth, Minn.
Ryan Mack	Fr.	Ukiah, Calif.
Jesse Madsen	Jr.	Menomonie, Wis.
Wil McComb	Fr.	Midmay, Onatario, Canada
Lyndon McDowell	So.	Port Elgin, Ontario, Canada
Andrew McKessock	So.	Bognor, Ontario, Canada
Ryan Melena	Fr.	Arden Hills, Minn.
Ben Meyer	Jr.	Pine Island, Minn.
Brian Meyer	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn.
Luke Mullranin	Fr.	Bemidji, Minn.
Jason Owen	Jr.	Stewartville, Minn.
Joe Palke	Fr.	Roseville, Minn.
Jayme Pantekoek	So.	Mankato, Minn.
Eric Pierce	Sr.	Lino Lakes, Minn.
Jeremy Polson	Sr.	Duluth, Minn.
Mitchell Potter	Fr.	Isanti, Minn.
Matthew Prebil	Fr.	Blaine, Minn.
Robert Quade	Jr.	Sherburn, Minn.
Erik Quam	So.	Alexandria, Minn.
Lynden Reder	Fr.	Luverne, Minn.
Fred Rodgers	Jr.	Hamilton, Ohio
Steve Slattery	So.	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
Chuck Smith	Sr.	Lakeville, Minn.
Matthew Stark	So.	Apple Valley, Minn.
Adam Steele	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Michael Stoick	Sr.	St. Michael, Minn.
Derek Sykes	Fr.	North Branch, Minn.
Ben Taylor	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Matt Taylor	Fr.	Duluth, Minn.
Scott Utne	So.	Falcon Heights, Minn.
Andrew Wiberg	Jr.	Roseville, Minn.
Jude Wimberger	Sr.	Fond du Lac, Wis.
Andy Wohlin	So.	St. Paul, Minn.

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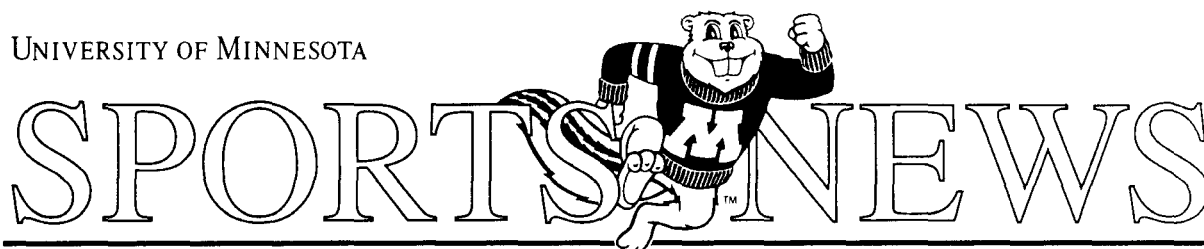
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500 TICKETS REMAINING FOR MINNESOTA/IOWA WRESTLING MATCH SUNDAY

The No. 2-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team will face No. 1 Iowa Sunday at 2 p.m., in Williams Arena. As of today, 12,500 tickets were sold for the match, which is a new school record. The previous school record attendance for a home wrestling match was 11,284 vs. Iowa, Jan. 23, 1998 in Williams Arena. The capacity for wrestling in Williams Arena is 13,000.

Tickets will go on sale at 11:30 a.m. Sunday in the east lobby and the doors will open at 12:30 p.m. The will call window will be located on the southside entrance. Seating is general admission.

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**GOLDEN GOPHER MEN'S BASKETBALL ANNUAL BANQUET SET FOR
MONDAY, MARCH 13 AT MINNEAPOLIS HILTON**

The 2000 Golden Gopher Basketball Banquet, sponsored by the Golden Dunkers, is set for Monday, March 13, 2000 at the Minneapolis Hilton Hotel. The festivities begin at 6 p.m. and include player autographs, dinner and a program hosted by legendary broadcaster Ray Christensen. This event is open to the public. For more information, contact the University of Minnesota basketball office at (612) 625-3085.

THIS WEEK IN MEN'S ATHLETICS

February 21-27, 2000

BASKETBALL



AT SETON HALL, WED., FEB. 23 - 6:30 P.M. - SOUTH ORANGE, N.J.
AT IOWA, SUN., FEB. 27 - 1:05 P.M. - IOWA CITY, IOWA
MIDWEST SPORTS CHANNEL LIVE & WCCO 830 AM LIVE

Last Week's Results:

- Illinois 89, Minnesota 80 (Williams Arena); Purdue 97, Minnesota 61 (West Lafayette, Ind.)

HOCKEY

VS. WISCONSIN, FRI.-SAT., FEB. 25-26 - 7:05 P.M. - MARIUCCI ARENA
MIDWEST SPORTS CHANNEL LIVE & KSTP 1500-AM LIVE



Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gophers swept Michigan Tech winning 9-2 Friday night and 4-1 Saturday night.

WRESTLING



AT BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS, SAT.-SUN., MARCH 4-5 - ALL DAY - WEST LAFAYETTE, IND.

Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota defeated Northwestern 35-6 Friday night and lost to No. 1 Iowa 20-13 Sunday afternoon.

GOLF

AT PUERTO RICO CHALLENGE, SUN.-TUES., FEB. 27-29 - ALL DAY - SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO



Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gophers begin their spring season at the Puerto Rico Challenge this weekend.

SWIMMING AND DIVING



AT BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS, THURS.-SAT., FEB. 24-26 - ALL DAY - ANN ARBOR, MICH.

Last Week's Results:

- The Golden Gophers prepare for the 2000 Big Ten Championships, after placing second last year to Penn State.

TRACK AND FIELD

AT BIG TEN INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS, SAT.-SUN., FEB. 26-27 - ALL DAY - BLOOMINGTON, IND.

Last Week's Results:

- The 4X400 relay team set a Minnesota Field House Record Saturday in the Snowshoe Open.



BASEBALL



AT MCNEESE STATE, FRI., FEB. 25 - 7 P.M., SAT., FEB. 26 - 4 P.M., SUN., FEB. 27 - 1 P.M.
LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA

Last Week's Results:

- Minnesota defeated Florida Atlantic 6-2 Saturday and lost 9-4 Friday and 7-6 Sunday in Boca Raton, Fla.

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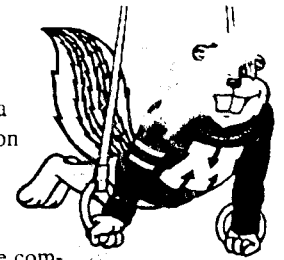
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GYMNASTICS

FLIPPIN'

FANG: Senior Lindsey Fang is putting together a solid senior season



LAST WEEK: The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team competed in a four-team event Saturday in Columbus, Ohio. Ohio State recorded the top score with a 230.725, followed by Iowa in second with 228.700, Brigham Young University in third with 226.375 and Minnesota with a 221.075.

Freshman Clay Strother (Jasper, Texas) set a new school record with a 9.95 on the pommel horse which tied for first place in the meet. It is the second school record that Strother has set this season as he set the school record for the floor exercise with a 9.95 against Michigan/Penn State. He also added a 9.525 on the floor exercise. Senior Lindsay Fang (Allentown, Penn.) was the next highest finisher on the horse with a 9.750. Fang also topped all Golden Gophers with a 9.650 on the parallel bars. Sophomore Justin Conner (Dallas, Texas) scored a 9.550 on the vault to lead Minnesota. He placed fifth in the all-around with a 54.500.

A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT: The Golden Gopher men's gymnastics team has made a significant improvement from where it was last year at this time. Through its first six meets last season the average team score was 212.970. Through the first six meets this season, Minnesota's average team score is 221.396. They have surpassed season-highs from last year in five of the six events and have also passed the season team-high score of 221.85, which they achieved in the last meet of the season against Illinois-Chicago, on two separate occasions. Last year, the team only passed the 220-point mark once, while this season, the team has passed that mark in five of its first six competitions.

for the Golden Gophers. The Allentown, Penn., native, who sat out all of last season due to a stress fracture in his back, has excelled in the two events in which he competes, the pommel horse and parallel bars. In his last four meets on the pommel horse, Fang has averaged a 9.813 and in the process scored a 9.875 which tied the second highest score ever recorded on the horse by a Minnesota gymnast. He is currently tied for fifth in the nation on the apparatus. In the last three meets on the parallel bars, Fang is averaging 9.483 including a 9.650 in last week's meet with Ohio State.

MOLDING THE CLAY: Freshman Clay Strother is leaving his mark on the Golden Gopher program in just his first season at Minnesota. The freshman is tearing up the mat on the floor exercise, his favorite event. Besides scoring the record-setting 9.95 in the meet with Michigan/Penn State, he has also tied the third and fourth highest marks in Golden Gopher history. He is averaging an amazing 9.830 through the first five competitions of the season. Strother currently occupies the top spot in the nation on the floor exercise. But he is not just a specialist on the floor exercise. Just last week in the four-team meet with Ohio State, BYU and Iowa, Strother added another school record to his list of record breaking performances. He recorded a 9.95 on the pommel horse which broke the existing school record held by three gymnasts. He currently boasts an NCAA average score of 9.575.

NEXT WEEK: The Golden Gophers will return to action on March 4 against Illinois-Chicago at the Sports Pavilion at 1 p.m.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Date	Opponent
Jan. 8	Alumni Meet/L, 223.35-216.05
Jan. 15	Windy City Invitational/5th 219.325
Jan. 22	Illinois/L, 222.250-220.325
Jan. 29	Iowa/L, 223.15-221.325
Feb. 4	Michigan/L, 230.555-223.425
	Penn State/L, 227.300-223.425
Feb. 5	Michigan State/L, 227.550-222.900
Feb. 19	Ohio State/L, 230.725-221.075
	Iowa/L, 228.700-221.075
	BYU/L, 226.375-221.075
March 4	U of Chicago-Illinois/1 p.m.
March 11	Nebraska/1 p.m.
March 17-18	*Big Ten Championships/7 p.m.
March 30	#NCAA Qualifying Meet/1 & 7 p.m.
March 31	#NCAA Championships/7 p.m.
April 1	#NCAA Championships/2 p.m.

bold signifies home meet

* Michigan State University - East Lansing, Mich.

University of Iowa - Iowa City, Iowa

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Name	Yr.	Hometown
Chad Conner	SR	Dallas, Texas
Justin Conner	SO	Dallas, Texas
Bart Cramer	SR	Edina, Minn.
Lindsey Fang	SR	Allentown, Pa.
Robert Goss	JR	Kenosha, Wis.
Todd Guilbeau	SO	Houston, Texas
Brian Hutchinson	FR	Floodwood, Minn.
Matthew Kieffer	SR	Inver Grove Heights, Minn.
Tim Koehler	FR	North Bergen, N.J.
Allen Sopko	JR	Brookfield, Wis.
Jason Stingle	FR	Waukesha, Wis.
Clay Strother	FR	Jasper, Texas
Ryan Winterbourne	SR	Anaheim, Calif.

Head Coach: Fred Roethlisberger (Wisconsin, '66)

Assistant Coaches: Thom Glielmi, Russ Fystrom

Volunteer Coach: John Roethlisberger

Trainer: Tom Kiff



SWIMMING & DIVING



NO. 10 MINNESOTA HEADS TO 2000 BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS: The 10th-ranked University of Minnesota men's swimming and diving team will compete in the 2000 Big Ten Championships, held in Ann Arbor, Mich., on Feb. 24 through Feb. 26. The Golden Gophers head to the Big Ten Championships with an undefeated record. They cruised through the Big Ten dual season with a 4-0 record with wins over Northwestern, Iowa, Wisconsin and Purdue and the regular season, going 8-0, with wins over North Carolina, Nebraska, Pacific and taking the title in their own invitational over Utah, Air Force, Iowa State, Pittsburgh and Iowa.

Last year, the Golden Gophers placed second behind Penn State with 588 points. Minnesota clinched four relay titles and had a fifth relay disqualified in the first day of competition, which prevented the Golden Gophers from sweeping the relay events. The 400 medley relay team of **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), Oscar Godoi, Martin Zielinski and John Cahoy placed first with a pool record time of 3:14.31. In the second day of competition, the 200 medley relay team of **DORNELAS** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil) placed first by breaking its previous Big Ten record set the year before with a time of 1:27.58.

Dornelas won the 50 freestyle with a time of 19.79, just three-hundredths of a second off the school record time in the event. Brandon

Schindler placed third with a time of 20.02 and Luis Lopez placed fifth with a time of 20.30.

Zielinski captured the 100 butterfly title with a time of 47.17. **DAN CROASTON** (Champlin, Minn.) won Minnesota's first Big Ten diving title since 1996 when he won the three-meter diving with 581.20 points. Alex Massura won the 100 backstroke with a time of 47.62. During the preliminaries in that event, Massura broke his own school record in the event when he swam a time of 47.24. He was named Co-Big Ten Swimmer of the Year.

This year, the Golden Gophers are looking to take home their third Big Ten title of the '90s and leading the way is Massura, who has 13 first-place finishes on the year. Croaston, who has been consistent for the U, has taken nine first-place finishes between the one-meter and the three-meter diving competitions. Dornelas, who set freshman records in the 50 free, as part of the 400 medley and the 400 free relay, also looks to make a splash.

The Big Ten Championships will start with the preliminaries on Thursday, Feb. 24 at noon and conclude Saturday evening.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Oct. 16	Intrasquad Meet	No Team Scores
Oct. 29	Alumni Meet	No Team Scores
Nov. 5-6	N. Carolina	W, 235-135
	Nebraska	W, 247-123
Nov. 13	Northwestern	W, 198-95
Nov. 19-21	Minnesota Invitational	1st/12 teams
Dec. 3-5	Texas Invitational	No Team Scores
Jan. 21	Iowa	W, 186-83
Jan. 28-29	Triple Duals	
	Purdue	W, 218-118
	Wisconsin	W, 227-100
Feb. 4-5	Minnesota Challenge	No Team Scores
Feb. 24-26	Big Ten Championships	Ann Arbor, Mich.
March 5	Go-Pher It Invitational	Aquatic Center
March 9-11	NCAA Diving Zone Qual.	Aquatic Center
March 23-25	NCAA Championships	Aquatic Center

Ryan Ayres	Jr.	Snellville, Ga.
Ben Bartell	So.	Grafton, Wis.
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TENNIS



NO. 23 GOLDEN GOPHERS DEFEAT OHIO STATE AND VIRGINIA TECH: The No. 23-ranked

Golden Gophers defeated Ohio State and Virginia Tech both in Columbus, Ohio, Saturday afternoon. Minnesota defeated No. 49 Ohio State 5-2 first and then beat Virginia Tech 5-2 Saturday evening.

Against Ohio State five Golden Gophers won singles matches and they lost both doubles matches to earn five team points. At No. 2 singles, sophomore Thomas Haug defeated Andrew Carlson 7-5, 6-3. At the No. 3 singles position, junior Jorge Duenas defeated Phil Metz 1-6, 6-2, 6-4 and at No. 4 singles, senior Martin Michalowski defeated Vince Ng 6-0, 6-0. Junior Tyson Parry won his match at No. 5 singles with a 7-6 (4), 7-5 score. At No. 6 singles, junior Jon Svensson topped Bob Wellstein 6-4, 6-7 (4), 7-6.

The Golden Gophers lost both doubles matches.

Minnesota won four singles matches against Virginia Tech and won two of three doubles matches to earn five team points. No. 1 singles player Harsh Mankad defeated Davor Dupljak 6-4, 6-0. Haug topped Michael Kurz 6-4, 6-4. Duenas defeated Andrew Vu 6-3, 6-4. Parry and freshman Eric Robertson both lost at No. 5 and No. 6 singles.

At No. 2 doubles, Mankad and Robertson defeated Vu and Gerard Baynham 8-5, while at No. 3 doubles Parry and Svensson defeated



Jay Bruner and Terzimchi 8-3. Minnesota is now 10-2 and 2-0 in the Big Ten.

NEXT UP: The Golden Gophers will travel to Corpus Christi, Texas, March 3-5 to compete in the Corpus Christi Invitational.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Jan. 4-9	Milwaukee Tennis Classic/No Team Scores
Jan. 7	University of Marquette/W, 6-1
Jan. 15-17	Big Ten Singles Championships/No Team Scores
Jan. 21-22	Ice Volleys (98th Street Racquet Club)
	New Mexico/W, 5-2
	Washington/W, 5-2
Jan. 29-30	Louisville Invite (Louisville, Ky.)
	Louisville/W, 5-2
	Middle Tennessee State/W, 5-2
	Kansas/W, 7-0
Feb. 6	Penn State/W, 7-0
Feb. 12-13	SMU Invite
	SMU/L, 4-2
	Boise State/W, 4-1
	Clemson/L, 4-3
Feb. 19	Virginia Tech/W, 5-2
Feb. 19	Ohio State/W, 5-2
Feb. 25-27	National Team Indoors
March 3-5	Corpus Christi Invitational
March 18	Michigan State (98th Street Racquet Club)
March 19	Michigan (98th Street Racquet Club)
March 26-31	BYU Invitational (Hawaii)
April 8	Wisconsin

April 9	Iowa
April 14	Illinois (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 15	Northwestern (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 22	Purdue (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 23	Indiana (98th Street Racquet Club)
April 27-30	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, Ind.)

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Jorge Duenas	Jr.	Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
Thomas Haug	So.	Zurich, Switzerland
Harsh Mankad	Fr.	Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
Ed Marques	Jr.	Brasilia, Brazil
Nathan McLain	Fr.	Prior Lake, Minn.
Martin Michalowski	Jr.	Ottawa, Ontario
Tyson Parry	Jr.	Chatham, Ontario
Eric Robertson	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis.
Karl Sloss	So.	Kilgore, Ill.
Steve Solberg	Fr.	Fridley, Minn.
Jon Svensson	Jr.	Kristianstad, Sweden



TRACK & FIELD



TRACK RELAY TEAM SETS FIELDHOUSE RECORD AT SNOWSHOE

OPEN: The 4 x 400 relay team of **BOB QUADE** (Sherburn, Minn.), **ANDY WOHLIN** (St. Paul, Minn.), **ADAM FREED** (Proctor, Minn.) and **TOM GERDING** (Waconia, Minn.) ran a time of 3:13.34 to set a new fieldhouse record. Friday night at 2000 Snowshoe Open. The old record of 3:15.18 was set by the University of Northern Iowa in 1990.

The Golden Gophers took seven other titles on the evening. Freshman **ERIK FOLEY** (White Bear Lake, Minn.) ran to a first place finish in the 400m dash with a time of 49.61, while teammates **ANDY WIBERG** (Roseville, Minn.) and **ZACH EDMONSON** (Ballwin, Mo.) took fourth and seventh places, respectively with times of 51.21 and 52.68.

Sophomore **ANDREW MCKESSOCK** (Owen Sound, Ontario) placed first in the 800m run with a time of 1:53.82 and senior **NATE CLAY** (Grand Rapids, Mich.) placed second with a time of 1:54.82.

In the mile run, freshman **ERIK QUAM** (Alexandria, Minn.) took first with a time of 4:19.72, while teammate **ANDY KUMMER** (White Bear Lake, Minn.) placed sixth with a time of 4:27.27.

Freshman **JOE PALKE** (Roseville, Minn.) placed first in the shot put with a heave of 51-5 3/4. **BEN MEYER** (Pine Island, Minn.) and **MARK FAHEY** (Scandia, Minn.) placed first and second in the weight throw with throws of 55-10 1/2 and 55-7. The distance medley team placed first with a time of 10:31.12.

GOLDEN GOPHERS HEAD TO 2000 BIG TEN INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

The University of Minnesota track and field team will head to Bloomington, Ind., to take part in the 90th annual Big Ten Indoor Championships, Saturday, Feb. 26 and Sunday, Feb. 27. The Golden Gophers are looking to better their third place performance from a year ago.

The Golden Gophers scored 83 1/2 points to take third place behind Michigan State (107) and Illinois (89). Individual titles went to Staffan Strand, who placed first in the high jump with a leap of 7-1 3/4 and Benjamin Jensen took the victory in the pole vault with a vault of 17-3 3/4 and in the heptathlon, scoring 5,622 points.

Of the athletes returning, **GLENN LINDQVIST** (Aland, Finland) placed second in the heptathlon, scoring 5,582 points. Junior Tom Gerding placed fourth in the 600m run with a time of 1:19.31 and **STEVE BURKHOLDER** (Superior, Wis.) placed fourth in the 60m dash with a time of 6.82. Andrew McKessock placed sixth in the mile run last year with a time of 4:17.76. McKessock broke the U of M mile record on Feb. 12 at Iowa State when he ran a time of 4:02.56. Of the newcomers, freshman **CHRIS DIXON** (Burnsville, Minn.) looks to leave a mark in the triple jump. He had a personal-best jump of 49-10 at Iowa State Feb. 12.

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

January

Jan. 8	Early Bird Open	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 15	Northwest Open	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 22	Iowa/South Dakota Wisconsin	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Jan. 29	Marquette/Georgia S.W. Missouri State	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores

February

Feb. 5	Drake/Minn. St.	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Feb. 11-12	Cyclone Classic	Ames, Iowa/No Team Scores
Feb. 18	Snowshoe	UM Fieldhouse/No Team Scores
Feb. 26-27	Big Ten Indoor	Bloomington, Ind.

March

March 3	NCAA Qualifying	Ames, Iowa
March 10-11	NCAA Indoor	Fayetteville, Ark.
March 24-25	Baldy Castillo	Tempe, Ariz.

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Scott Bergen	So.	Hortonville, Wis.
Josh Brang	Sr.	Winona, Minn.
Steve Burkholder	Sr.	Superior, Wis.
Nate Clay	Sr.	Grand Rapids, Minn.
Joey Corr	So.	Redmond, Wash.
Christopher Dixon	Fr.	Burnsville, Minn.
Zach Edmonson	So.	Ballwin, Mo.
Michael Ehlers	So.	Red Wing, Minn.
Mark Fahey	Jr.	Scandia, Minn.
Erik Foley	Fr.	White Bear Lake, Minn.

Adam Freed	So.	St. Paul, Minn.
Thoams Gerding	Jr.	Waconia, Minn.
Neil Hanson	Fr.	Granada, Minn.
Toby Henkels	So.	Worthington, Minn.
Marc Johannsen	Jr.	Miller, S.D.
Andy Kummer	So.	White Bear Lake, Minn.
Glenn Lindqvist	Sr.	Aland, Finland
Linus Lindroth	Fr.	
Brent Loberg	Fr.	Duluth, Minn.
Ryan Mack	Fr.	Ukiah, Calif.
Jesse Madsen	Jr.	Menomonie, Wis.
Wil McComb	Fr.	Midmay, Onatario, Canada
Lyndon McDowell	So.	Port Elgin, Ontario, Canada
Andrew McKessock	So.	Bognor, Ontario, Canada
Ryan Melena	Fr.	Arden Hills, Minn.
Ben Meyer	Jr.	Pine Island, Minn.
Brian Meyer	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn.
Luke Mullranin	Fr.	Bemidji, Minn.
Jason Owen	Jr.	Stewartville, Minn.
Joe Palke	Fr.	Roseville, Minn.
Jayne Pantekoeck	So.	Mankato, Minn.
Eric Pierce	Sr.	Lino Lakes, Minn.
Jeremy Polson	Sr.	Duluth, Minn.
Mitchell Potter	Fr.	Isanti, Minn.
Matthew Prebil	Fr.	Blaine, Minn.
Robert Quade	Jr.	Sherburn, Minn.
Erik Quam	So.	Alexandria, Minn.
Lynden Reder	Fr.	Luverne, Minn.
Fred Rodgers	Jr.	Hamilton, Ohio
Steve Slattery	So.	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
Chuck Smith	Sr.	Lakeville, Minn.
Matthew Stark	So.	Apple Valley, Minn.
Adam Steele	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Michael Stoick	Sr.	St. Michael, Minn.
Derek Sykes	Fr.	North Branch, Minn.
Ben Taylor	Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Matt Taylor	Fr.	Duluth, Minn.
Scott Utne	So.	Falcon Heights, Minn.
Andrew Wiberg	Jr.	Roseville, Minn.
Jude Wimberger	Sr.	Fond du Lac, Wis.
Andy Wohlin	So.	St. Paul, Minn.