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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, August 30

VB vs. San Diego State 7 p.m.
(San Diego, Calif.)

Saturday, August 31

VB at San Diego 1 p.m.
(San Diego, Calif.)

VB vs. Cal State Northridge 7 p.m.
(San Diego, Calif.)

SC at Valparaiso 1 p.m.
(Valparaiso, Ind.)

Monday, September 2

SC at Butler 3 p.m.
(Indianapolis, Ind.)

All Times CST

Volleyball

VOLLEYBALL OPENS 1996 SEASON IN SAN DIEGO—The Minnesota volleyball team opens up the 1996 season Friday at the San Diego Classic in San Diego, Calif. The Gophers will challenge San Diego State Friday at 7 p.m. (CST) to open the season, followed by showdowns against San Diego Saturday at 1 p.m. (CST) and Cal State Northridge at 7 p.m. (CST).

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

SAN DIEGO STATE—SDSU is ranked 10th in the preseason AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches Poll after finishing the 1995 season 13th. Last year, San Diego State, in **Mark Warner's** first year as head coach, finished the year with a 27-5 record and advanced to the second round of the NCAA tournament before falling to Michigan State, 3-0. SDSU is led by **Juliana Cezar** and **Ginger Ernest**. Cezar, a junior outside hitter, averaged 3.72 kills and 3.13 digs a game, while Ernest was at 4.14 kills a game.

Series Record—SDSU leads the series 5-0, defeating the Gophers 3-2 in the last meeting on September 7, 1989.

SAN DIEGO—San Diego and head coach **Sue Snyder** finished last season with a 22-11 record advancing to the semifinals of the NIVC Championships in Kansas City, Mo. San Diego has eight letterwinner back and is led by outside hitter **LaManda Mounts** and middle blocker **Sara Gunsaulus**. Mounts averaged 3.6 kills and 3.2 digs a game last season, while Gunsaulus was at 3.1 kills and 1.3 blocks.

Series Record: Minnesota leads the series 2-0, last defeating USD 3-2 on September 9, 1980.

CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE—Under the direction of **Dr. Lian Lu**, Northridge won the NIVC Championship two years ago. After struggling to a 2-29 record last season, Northridge picked up a quality recruit in **Gergan Dimitrova**, a 6-4 middle blocker from Bulgaria. Teaming with Dimitrova will be sophomore outside hitter **Carrie Kapfenberg** who averaged 3.42 kills a game last year. Assistant Coach **Kathleen O'Laughlin** was a setter for Minnesota head coach **Mike Hebert** while he was at Illinois.

Series Record: Northridge leads the series 1-0, defeating Minnesota 3-1 at the NIVC Championships in 1994.

ABOUT MINNESOTA—The Gophers are rebuilding with its third head coach in three years. Minnesota finished 1995 with a 13-17 overall record and 7-13 Big Ten mark, good for eighth in the conference. The maroon and gold will be led by senior **Katrien DeDecker (Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. **DeDecker** is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is only 578 kills away from breaking **Andrea Gonzalez's** record. Also back for the Gophers is the quarterback of the offense, junior setter **Becky Bauer (Bloomington, MN/Jefferson)**.

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach **Dr. Mike Hebert** takes over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his reign at Illinois, **Hebert** led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Entering his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 572-257 and a .687 winning percentage. While at Illinois, **Hebert** had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—**Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** enter their first seasons at Minnesota and third with **Mike Hebert**. **Batie** and **Ikeda** worked with **Hebert** for two seasons at Illinois.

PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—Minnesota's lineup is a question mark as injuries have decimated the team since the beginning of fall practice. The probable lineup is as follows:

Pos.	Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
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DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth

DEDECKER NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN TEAM--Senior **Katrien DeDecker** was named to the preseason all-Big Ten team released today. **DeDecker** is a two-time all-Big Ten recipient and an all-Region selection. As a team, the Gophers were picked to finish eighth in the conference. Michigan State received the nod from the coaches as the favorites to win the conference championship with Penn State and Wisconsin not far behind the Spartans.

The Preseason Big Ten Volleyball Poll:

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8.	MINNESOTA	51
9.	Purdue	42
10.	Iowa	24
11.	Northwestern	18

Preseason all-Big Ten Team--**Terri Zemaitis**, Penn State; **Laura Abbinante**, Wisconsin; **Val Sterk**, Michigan State; **Veronica Morales**, Michigan State; **Katrien DeDecker**, Minnesota; **Sherri Helman**, Ohio State; **Jen Boleyn**, Ohio State; **Jenna Wrobel**,

Michigan State; **Kelly Scherr**, Illinois; **Dana Cooke**, Michigan State; **Julie Flatley**, Indiana; **Jennifer Webb**, Iowa; **Angie Kammer**, Penn State; **Amy Lee**, Wisconsin.

INJURIES ARE TAKING THEIR TOLL—Injuries have hit the Gophers extremely hard during the offseason and the fall practice. Senior outside hitter/middle blocker **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY'S)** is out with a stress fracture in her foot. She has been doing limited jumping the past week. Sophomore middle blocker **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MN/BELLE PLAINE)** is also out suffering from the effects of post-concussive syndrome. **Baynes** has seen extremely limited action in the off-season and her date of return is unknown.

MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL—A FAMILY AFFAIR—The Gophers have a long tradition of family on the 1996 squad. Head coach **Mike Hebert's** daughter, **HILLARY HEBERT (ALBUQUERQUE, NM/HIGHLANDS)**, is a first-year defensive specialist for the Gophers. Setter **MICHELLE MILLER (WORTH, IL/WORTH)** is the youngest of three sisters to play volleyball at Minnesota. Miller's oldest sister **Pam** was a player for the Gophers from 1983-86 and was the interim head coach last season. **Lori Miller** played for the Gophers from 1986-89. First-year setter **SUSAN SHUDLICK (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** is the youngest of four sisters, three of which played intercollegiate athletics at Minnesota. Oldest sister **Carol Ann** won the Wade Trophy as the nation's outstanding senior basketball player and was a first team Kodak all-American in 1994, while **Nancy** was a four-year basketball letterwinner at Minnesota. Sister **Linda** is a sophomore middle blocker at UCLA.

PRESEASON AVCA/USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES POLL—Minnesota is not ranked in the preseason AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches poll, but five of its opponents are. Michigan State tops the list at #3, while Penn State is #8, San Diego State is #10, Ohio State is #15 and Georgia Tech is #16.

1.	Hawaii (26)	1422
2.	Stanford (20)	1402
3.	Michigan State (6)	1355
4.	Texas (1)	1281
5.	Nebraska (6)	1210
6.	UCLA	1157
7.	Penn State	1074
8.	Washington State	978
9.	Notre Dame	955
10.	San Diego State	880
11.	Florida	813
12.	Long Beach State	779
13.	USC	748
14.	Pacific	716
15.	Ohio State	675
16.	Georgia Tech	453
17.	UC Santa Barbara	428
18.	Texas A&M	404
19.	BYU	353
20.	Loyola Marymount	330

21. Arizona State	267
22. Colorado	203
23. Oral Roberts	170
24. Georgia	147
25. Louisville	122

MICHIGAN STATE TOPS VOLLEYBALL MONTHLY POLL--Michigan State is ranked #1 in the preseason *Volleyball Monthly* poll. Other Big Ten teams include Penn State at #9, Wisconsin #12 and Ohio State #17. San Diego State, Minnesota's opening match opponent, is #10. The *Volleyball Monthly* poll:

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4. Nebraska
5. Texas
6. Notre Dame
7. Washington State
8. UCLA
9. Penn State
10. San Diego State
11. Pacific
12. Wisconsin
13. Arizona State
14. USC
15. Oral Roberts
16. Colorado
17. Ohio State
18. Long Beach State
19. UC Santa Barbara
20. Florida

UP NEXT--Minnesota travels to Bozeman, Mont., Friday-Saturday, Sept. 6-7, for the Holiday Inn Classic. Minnesota will face Montana State, Washington and Kent State.

Soccer

MINNESOTA GOPHERS 1995 BIG TEN CHAMPIONS OPEN ON THE ROAD IN INDIANA- The 1996 Minnesota women's soccer team opens the 1996 season in Valparaiso, Ind., facing Valparaiso Saturday at 1 p.m. and then head to Indianapolis, Ind., facing Butler Monday, Sept. 2, at 3 p.m.

ABOUT VALPARAISO- The Crusaders open the season against Minnesota. Valparaiso finished the 1995 season with a 3-17 record and return 10 letterwinners

The series- Minnesota lead the overall series, 3-0. The Gophers defeated Valparaiso, 4-0, last year.

ABOUT BUTLER- Butler opens the season against Lewis University on Monday, Aug. 26, and then host Michigan August 31, before they face the Gophers on September 2, at 3 p.m. The Bulldogs finished the 1995 season 10-7.

George VanLinder enters his second year at Butler and as a collegiate coach. He has a 10-7 record.

The series- Minnesota leads the overall series, 1-0. The Gophers defeated Butler, 3-0, last year.

THE GOPHERS RETURN BIG TEN CHAMPS FOR THE 1996 SEASON- The Minnesota soccer program begins its fourth collegiate season. The program has set high standards, goals and has work hard over the past three years to exceed all expectations. The payoff came last season when the Gophers captured their first-ever Big Ten Championship and a trip to the NCAA tournament.

SECOND TEAM ALL-AMERICAN RETURNS- Junior **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE)** returns for the 1996 season after being named a second-team all-American. McElmury finished with 12 goals, six assists for 30 points.

BIG TEN HONOREES RETURN- **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/NORTH ST. PAUL)** earned Big Ten Player of the Year and first-team all-Big Ten honors. McElmury also earned first-team honors. Joining Walek and McElmury, senior **MIKKI DENNEY (OMAHA, NE/MARIAN)**, sophomore **CORINNE BOLDER (DALE CITY, VA/GAR-FIELD)**, and senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)** all earned second-team all-Big Ten honors. Denney anchored the Gophers defense that allowed only 27 goals in 23 matches. Bolder was second on the team in scoring with 11 goals and 11 assists for 33 points. Hussey wrapped-up with eight goals, six assists for 22 points.

1995 BIG TEN COACH OF THE YEAR SUE MONTAGNE- Sue Montagne returns for her fourth season at Minnesota as the women's soccer program's only head coach. She has a 38-17-6 record in three seasons.

14 RETURNERS PROVIDE STRENGTH FOR THE

GOPHERS-Minnesota returns 14 letterwinners from last season's 16-5-2 team. Joining the Big Ten honorees are senior goalie **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)**, who returns for her fourth season. She had a 1.09 goals against average earned allowed only 24 goals last season. Sophomore defender **VANESSA TOUSET (WOODRIDGE, VA/GARFIELD)** scored one goal, two assists for four points. Sophomore forward **JAMIE O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLARD NORTH)** ended the season with two goals, three assists for two points. Sophomore midfielder **KELLY SHEA (EL CAJON, CA/VAHALLA)** returns her third season with one-goal for two points. Sophomore defender **NOELLE PAPPENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/BURNSVILLE)** is out for the season with a torn anterior cruciate ligamate. Senior defender **ALLISON JOHNSON (EAGAN, MN/EAGAN)** played in 18 matches, started 13 and had five shots on goal for the season. Sophomore forward **COLLEEN TIERNEY (ST. PAUL, MN/ST. PAUL ACADEMY)** scored six goals, had 26 shots on goal for 12 points. Senior defender **JENNY SHRUM (FALCON HIGHTS, MN/ROSEVILLE)** had one goal, two assists for four points. Rounding out the list is sophomore midfielder **JAMIE WYFFELS (COON RAPIDS, MN/COON RAPIDS)** who had two goals, two assists for six points.

10 NEWCOMERS GIVE MINNESOTA THEIR BEST RECRUITING CLASS EVER-

The group of newcomers finally gives the Gophers full depth to the team. Leading the group is **MEGAN JOHNSON (ROSEMOUNT, MN/ROSEMOUNT)**, **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK)** and **ERICA KRUSE (STILLWATER, MN/STILLWATER)**. Johnson was an all-state honorable mention and all-conference honoree her senior year and the leading soccer player for Rosemount. Lee was an all-state, all-metro and all-conference player at Champlin. She also was selected and has played on the Minnesota Olympic Program for the past four years. Kruse, a midfielder and a captain for the 1994 state champions Stillwater Ponies, earned all-conference and all-state honorable mention honors in 1994.

Rounding out the list of newcomers for the season include: **AMY KOHLER (MALPE GROVE, MN/OSSEO)**, **DANA LARSEN (DELAWARE, OH/DELAWARE)**, **DORESY NELSON (MINNEAPOLIS, MN/HOLY ANGLES)**, **KRISTEN PETERSON (DEL MAR, CA/VALHALLA)**, **SARAH CONNOR (ST. PAUL, MN/HILL MURRAY)**, **ERIKA BERGHAEUER (ELM GROVE, MN/CATHOLIC MEMORIAL)** and **ROSE GRIMM (WAUWATOSA, WI/RUFUS KING)**

UP NEXT--Minnesota returns for its home opener on Saturday, Sept. 7, vs. Auburn at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Game time is 1 p.m.



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September 3, 1996

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Wednesday, September 4**
VB hosts Varsity/Alum Challenge 7 p.m.
- Friday, September 6**
VB at Montana State 8:30 p.m.
(Bozeman, Mont.)
- Saturday, September 7**
SC hosts Auburn 1 p.m.
CC hosts Intrasquad 11 a.m.
VB vs. Washington 12 noon
(Bozeman, Mont.)
VB vs. Kent State 7 p.m.
(Bozeman, Mont.)
- Sunday, September 8**
SC hosts New Mexico 1 p.m.

All Times CST

Volleyball

VOLLEYBALL HOSTS ALUM MATCH; THEN GOES TO MONTANA—The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 1-2 overall, hosts the annual Varsity-Alum Challenge Wednesday, Sept. 4, at the Sports Pavilion, before traveling to Bozeman, Mont., for the Holiday Inn Classic. Other teams participating in the Holiday Inn Classic include host Montana State, Washington and Kent State.

THE VARSITY-ALUM CHALLENGE—Head Coach Mike Hebert and the Gophers will host the Varsity-Alum Challenge Wednesday, Sept. 4, at the Sports Pavilion. Match time is 7 p.m. and will feature the current varsity team taking on 20 former Minnesota volleyball alums including Sharon Oesterling, Angie Hanna, Heidi Olhausen, Jean Schintz and Pam Miller. Admission is free.

THE HOLIDAY INN CLASSIC—Minnesota will then leave Thursday for the Holiday Inn Classic in Bozeman, Mont. The Gophers play host Montana State Friday at 9:30 p.m. CST, followed by matches against Washington and Kent State, Saturday, at 12 noon and 7 p.m. (CST), respectively.

ABOUT MINNESOTA—The Gophers are 1-2 overall after beating Cal State Northridge and losing to #10 San Diego State and San Diego over the weekend. Minnesota is looking at 1996 as a rebuilding year with their third head coach in three years. Minnesota finished 1995 with a 13-17 overall record and 7-13 Big Ten mark, good for eighth in the conference. The maroon and gold welcome seven letterwinners back and are led by senior **KATRIEN DEDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. **DeDecker** is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is only 506 kills away from breaking **Andrea Gonzalez'** record. Also back for the Gophers is the quarterback of the offense, junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while junior middle blocker **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore middle blocker **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MN/BELLE PLAINE)** are the top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

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OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-0	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

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S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

SOCCER'S HUSSEY NAMED BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)** was named Big Ten Player of the Week for the period ending September 3. **Hussey** had five goals and two assists on the weekend and set a Minnesota team record for points in a match with 10, and goals in a match with four against Valparaiso. **Hussey** then answered with another goal against Butler Monday. On the season, **Hussey** has five goals and two assists for 12 points, after finishing the 1995 year with six goals and five assists for 17 points.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

MONTANA STATE—The Bobcats are 3-0 after winning the Marquette Classic over the weekend. MSU defeated Marquette, 3-0, Morehead State, 3-1, and Virginia Commonwealth, 3-0. Montana State is led by **Jennifer Elliot** and **Karen Weyler**. Elliott had 34 kills in three matches, while Weyler had 33 and hit .286. Setter **Kira Laden** averaged 40 assists a match for MSU.

The Series—This is the first meeting between the two schools.

WASHINGTON—Washington opened the season 2-1 with wins over Butler and George Mason and a loss to Georgia at the Georgia Invitational. UW will play again Tuesday versus North Carolina. The Huskies' leader is **Angela Bransom** and **Leslie Tuiasosopo**. Bransom leads the Huskies with 52 kills, a 4.33 kill per game average and a .285 hitting percentage. Tuiasosopo is hitting .378 and is averaging 1.33 blocks per game.

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KENT STATE—Kent went 4-0 over the weekend with wins over East Carolina, 3-0, Xavier, 3-0, Towson State, 3-0 and West Virginia, 3-1, at the Towson State Labor Day Classic. KSU is led by setter **Nicole Collias** who averages 11.76 a game and leads the team with 39 digs. Kent State has a balanced attack with four players with 37 or more kills, led by **Becky Neglia** with 45. As a team, Kent State is hitting .286.

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MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota went 1-2 at the San Diego Invitational last weekend. The Gophers opened the year losing a tough four-game match to #10 San Diego State, 15-6, 15-12, 8-15 and 16-14. Minnesota then fell to San Diego, 15-9, 15-13 and 15-9, before rebounding to defeat Cal State Northridge, 15-8, 15-4 and 15-13. **Katrien DeDecker** was the leader of the pack for the Gophers as she averaged 7.2 kills a game and had three matches with 20+ kills. DeDecker hit .378 on the weekend. Junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** also had a big weekend as she had 17 kills against San Diego State and 15 against Northridge. **Pearman's** 17 kills were a career-high, improving her previous career-best of four set in 1993. Junior **Jane Passer** knocked down 27 kills over the weekend and hit .385, while **Tara Baynes** had 20 kills and hit .368. As a team, Minnesota hit .292 for the weekend.

DEDECKER NAMED ALL-TOURNAMENT—For her efforts, **Katrien DeDecker** was named to the all-tournament team in San Diego. DeDecker had 72 kills in 148 swings for the Gophers, while hitting .378. DeDecker also had 20 digs, four services aces, three block assists and two block solos.

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INJURIES MAKE PRESEASON TOUGH—Injuries have hit the Gophers extremely hard during the offseason and fall practice, but miraculously the team was at full strength as the season opened. Senior outside hitter **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** played in the season opener after missing most of the preseason with a stress fracture in her right foot. Also, sophomore middle blocker **Tara Baynes** started in the season opener after missing the past five months suffering from the effects of post-concussive syndrome. **Baynes** could not do any type of physical activity since April when she was hit in the face with a volleyball at the Wisconsin Invite. This fall, **Baynes** did not participate in any drills until last week when she was finally cleared to practice.

DEDECKER BACK STRONGER THAN EVER—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** is back for her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, **DeDecker** is only 506 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. She currently ranks third all-time with 1,634 kills. **DeDecker** also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks, service aces and digs. She is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

DEDECKER NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN TEAM—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** was named to the preseason all-Big Ten team for the third time in her career. The 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year, **Terri Zemaitis** of Penn State, **Laura Abbinante** of Wisconsin and **Val Sterk** of Michigan State were all unanimous selections.

Preseason all-Big Ten Team—**Terri Zemaitis**, Penn State; **Laura Abbinante**, Wisconsin; **Val Sterk**, Michigan State; **Veronica Morales**, Michigan State; **Katrien DeDecker**, Minnesota; **Sherri Helman**, Ohio State; **Jen Boleyn**, Ohio State; **Jenna Wrobel**, Michigan State; **Kelly Scherr**, Illinois; **Dana Cooke**, Michigan State; **Julie Flatley**, Indiana; **Jennifer Webb**, Iowa; **Angie Kammer**, Penn State; **Amy Lee**, Wisconsin.

PEARMAN MAKES BIG IMPACT IN FRONT ROW—Junior **Sarah Pearman** made a huge impact in the front row for the Gophers in San Diego. After playing only in the back row her entire career at Minnesota, head coach **Mike Hebert** moved

Pearman to the front row this year. **Pearman** knocked down a career-high 17 kills against #10 San Diego State and then had 15 against Northridge. On the weekend, **Pearman** had 34 kills in 81 swings, while playing solid defense with 19 digs.

PASSER DOES WELL IN NEW POSITION—Junior **Jane Passer** had her first action at the middle blocker position over the weekend and did quite well. **Passer** had 27 kills and hit a team-leading .385. She also recorded a team-high 21 digs and eight block assists to go along with one block solo. **Passer** played outside hitter her first two seasons at Minnesota and switched to the middle blocker position this past spring.

BAYNES PLAYS WELL IN DEBUT—After missing the last five months with a head injury, **Tara Baynes** made her 1996 debut with 20 kills in three matches, including 10 against San Diego. **Baynes** hit .368 on the weekend and had nine block assists and two block solos.

MCDONELL RECORDS FIRST CAREER KILL—After seeing action in only 16 games last season, **JILL MCDONELL (BROOKLYN PARK, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** got the first start of her career against San Diego State. **McDonell** recorded her first career kill against San Diego. She also had three kills in only one game against Northridge.

EVERYONE SEES ACTION—Head Coach **Mike Hebert** got everyone some playing time over the weekend. **HILLARY HEBERT (ALBUQUERQUE, NM/HIGHLANDS)** played in six games with one dig, while **BETHANY BAKER (SPRING VALLEY, IL/KNOCH)** also played in six games. **SUSAN SHUDLICK (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** played against Northridge and recorded a dig, while **MICHELLE MILLER (WORTH, IL/WORTH)** appeared in four games with one assist.

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UP NEXT—Minnesota returns home for the First Annual Diet Coke Volleyball Classic, September 13-14, at the Sports Pavilion. The Gophers play host to Marshall, Arkansas and Georgia Tech in the inaugural tournament.

Soccer

GOPHERS OPEN HOME SEASON THIS WEEKEND-

Minnesota begins the home portion of the schedule Saturday against Auburn at 1 p.m. The Gophers then host New Mexico on Sunday at 1 p.m. All home matches are played at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field on North Cleveland Ave., just south of Larpentuer Ave.

ABOUT AUBURN- The Tigers enter the weekend 0-1. Auburn opened the season by losing to Clemson, 3-1, on August 31.

Auburn is coached by **Bill Waltkins** who is 23-14-4 in three seasons at Auburn.

The Series-- This will be the first meeting for the Gophers and the Tigers.

ABOUT NEW MEXICO- New Mexico enters this weekend 0-1. The Lobos lost to Toledo 2-1 on August 30. New Mexico will play their second match of the season on Friday at 1 p.m. against Auburn at the St. Paul Campus field before facing Minnesota on Sunday at 1 p.m.

The Tigers are coached by **John DeWitt** who was 10-7-3 in his first season at New Mexico.

The Series- Minnesota won the last meeting against New Mexico. The teams met for the first time in the 1995, with the Gophers defeating the Lobos 2-0.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE- Minnesota head coach **Sue Montagne** is in her fourth season as the head coach of the Minnesota women's soccer team. She has a 41-17-6 record in her four seasons as a collegiate coach.

SOLID START TO THE 1996 SEASON- The Gophers came back from Indiana with two wins under their belts. Minnesota defeated Valparaiso, 10-0, last Saturday. Sophomore **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE)** scored the first goal of the 1996 season 20 minutes into the match. Senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)** scored the second goal of the game and recorded three more goals and two assists in the match. Others to score for the Gophers include: frosh **SARAH CONNORS (ST. PAUL, MN/HILL MURRAY)**, senior **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/NORTH SAINT PAUL)**, sophomore **CORINNE BOLDER (DALE CITY, VA/GAR-FIELD)** and frosh **AMY KOEHLER (MAPLE GROVE, MN/OSSEO SENIOR)**.

The Gophers went on to face Butler University on Monday. Minnesota took their second victory of the season by defeating the Bulldogs, 3-1. **Walek** scored the first goal of the game in the first three minutes of the game. **Hussey** followed up with the second goal of the game in the second half at 63:14. Butler scored a goal in the second half to make the score 2-1. Frosh **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK)** scored the third goal of the game and her first collegiate goal to wrap-up the game 3-1.

HUSSEY SETS POINTS IN MATCH RECORD-With her four goals and two assists against Valparaiso, **Erin Hussey** set a new Minnesota record for points in a match with 10. The previous record was seven set by **Jennifer Walek** and **Corinne Bolder** against Northern Illinois last year.

HUSSEY ALSO SETS GOALS RECORD-Erin Hussey had four goals against Valpo, breaking the previous record of three set by **Gretchen Brandt**, **Jennifer Walek** and **Hussey**.

HUSSEY OFF TO FAST START-On the weekend, **Erin Hussey** had five goals and two assists for 12 points. **Hussey** finished the 1995 season with only six goals and 17 points the entire year.

ALL-AMERICA UPDATE-**Jennifer McElmury** and **Jennifer Walek** are well on their way to another great season. **McElmury** scored the first goal of the 1996 season against Valpo and ended the weekend with two goals and an assist for five points. **Walek** had two goals for four points.

GOAL MINNESOTA-The 10 goals by the Gophers against Valparaiso were the second highest total in Minnesota history. Minnesota had 12 against St. Thomas in 1993, and recorded 10 against Northern Illinois last year.

FROSH MAKE IMMEDIATE IMPACT-Three Minnesota newcomers made an immediate impact in the lineup scoring goals for the maroon and gold. **Sarah Connors**, **Amy Koehler** and **Nicole Lee** all scored their first goals over the weekend.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE- Minnesota will practice Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Bierman Building. For more information on practice times, please contact **Valerie Becker**, women's soccer contact at (612) 624-0522

UPCOMING MATCHES- The Golden Gophers travel to Portland next weekend to face Portland Saturday, Sept. 14, at 2:15 p.m. and Washington Sunday, Sept. 15, at 4 p.m.

Cross Country

CROSS COUNTRY TO OPEN WITH INTRASQUAD—

The 1996 cross country season opens Saturday, Sept. 7, with an intrasquad meet at the Les Bolstad/University of Minnesota Golf Course. Meet time is 11 a.m.

OFF AND RUNNING—Coming off a fifth-place finish in 1995, and graduating only one runner, head coach **Gary Wilson** returns with a solid team for the 1996 season. Wilson's first action will be compensating for the loss of all-Big Ten and all-Region runner **Lori Townsend**. Townsend was the only Gopher to compete at the NCAA Championships the past two seasons, placing a career-best 45th in 1995.

Wilson will look to sophomore **JULIE GOLLA (ROCHESTER, MN/MARSHALL)** and seniors **KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/GRACEVILLE-CLINTON)** and **KERI ZWIEG (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA)** to help pick up the pieces. Golla burst on the scene last year and emerged as Minnesota's number two runner behind Townsend. Kleindl and Zwiieg are seasoned veterans and will add consistency and steadiness to the program. Other returners for the Gophers include **KARI THOMSPON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON)**, who had a strong season after recovering from numerous injuries, and **JANET HOWE (SIREN, WI/SIREN)**. Minnesota also welcomes an outstanding recruiting class that features seven new runners including Wisconsin state champion **AIMEE DAUGS (WATERTOWN, WI/WATERTOWN)** and **ANNA GULLINGSRUD**, a transfer from Purdue.

THE SCHEDULE—Minnesota faces a tough schedule as they open the season hosting Arkansas and Drake Friday, Sept. 13, before hosting the Minnesota Cross Country Extravaganza, one of the nation's largest cross country meets, on September 28. Last year, over 170 teams and 3,000 runners participated in the meet that features many of the nation's top collegiate and high school runners. After that, the Gophers will go to Auburn and Iowa State before competing at the Big Ten Championships in Bloomington, Ind., November 2. The season continues with the District IV Championships November 16, in Champaign, Ill., followed by the NCAA Championships Monday, Nov. 25, at Tucson, Ariz.

UP NEXT—The Gophers host Arkansas and Drake in a Triangular, Friday, Sept. 13, at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. Meet time is 4 p.m.

As of: 8/31/96
 Cal Northridge
 3 Matches played
 1 Wins, 2 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

# Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1 Baker, B.	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 Fiamengo, T.	3	10	14	11	41	.073	6	0	0	3	0	5	12
3 Miller, M.	3	4	0	0	1	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 McDonell, J.	3	6	6	4	17	.118	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
6 Hebert, H.	3	6	0	1	1	-1.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
7 Baynes, T.	3	10	20	6	38	.368	4	0	0	2	2	9	12
8 DeDecker, K.	3	10	72	16	148	.378	1	0	0	4	2	3	20
9 Passer, J.	3	10	27	7	52	.385	1	0	0	2	1	8	21
10 Pearman, S.	3	10	34	20	81	.173	0	0	0	0	0	4	19
13 Bauer, B.	3	10	14	4	25	.400	130	0	0	1	0	6	21
14 Shudlick, S.	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TEAM TOTALS	3	10	187	69	404	.292	143	0	0	13	5	35	111
TEAM BLOCKS:	22												

Negatives

Per Game Average

# Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1 Baker, B.	6	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2 Fiamengo, T.	10	1	1	2	6	1.40	0.60	0.30	1.20	0.50	0.90
3 Miller, M.	4	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4 McDonell, J.	6	0	3	0	4	1.00	0.00	0.17	0.67	0.00	1.17
6 Hebert, H.	6	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.00	0.00
7 Baynes, T.	10	1	0	2	9	2.00	0.40	0.20	1.20	1.10	1.10
8 DeDecker, K.	10	0	4	1	12	7.20	0.10	0.40	2.00	0.50	1.70
9 Passer, J.	10	0	0	0	5	2.70	0.10	0.20	2.10	0.90	0.50
10 Pearman, S.	10	0	6	0	9	3.40	0.00	0.00	1.90	0.40	1.50
13 Bauer, B.	10	8	0	1	5	1.40	13.00	0.10	2.10	0.60	0.60
14 Shudlick, S.	2	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00
TEAM TOTALS	10	10	14	6	50	18.70	14.30	1.30	11.10	2.20	7.00

As of: 8/31/96
 Cal Northridge
 3 Matches played
 1 Wins, 2 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 Match Statistics

NP	Game	U. of Minnesota					PTS	K	E	Opponents			PTS
		K	E	TA	ATK%	TA				ATK%			
3	1	53	19	127	.268	30	52	21	117	.265	38		
3	2	62	16	108	.426	40	48	19	98	.296	34		
3	3	57	25	119	.269	39	53	16	115	.322	36		
1	4	15	9	50	.120	14	22	15	57	.123	16		

Match Comparisons

Positives

	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
U. of Minnesota	3	10	187	69	404	.292	143	0	0	13	5	35	111
Opponents	3	10	175	71	387	.269	140	0	0	14	9	38	123

Negatives

Per Game Average

	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
U. of Minnesota	10	10	14	6	50	18.70	14.30	1.30	11.10	2.20	7.00
Opponents	10	6	13	7	26	17.50	14.00	1.40	12.30	2.80	4.60

Legend

- MP = matches played
- E = errors
- A = assists
- SA = service aces
- DG = digs
- SE = service errors
- NP = Number of matches where this game number played
- GP = games played
- TA = total attempts
- TA = total attempts
- BS = block solos
- RE = receive errors
- #1 = Coach's optional statistic
- K = kills
- ATK% = attack percentage
- AST% = assist percentage
- BA = block assists
- BE = block errors

Individual Blocks = BS + BA

Team Blocks = BS + (BA/2)

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Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15, 12-15, 15- 8, 14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15, 13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8, 15- 4, 15-13		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ---- Overall -- 1- 2
 Conference -- 0- 0

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent	W/L/T	Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		
Sept. 2	Butler University	W	3-1	2-0		

*Big Ten Conference match
 !NCAA Tournament, Madison, Wis.

Overall Record: 2-0
 Home Record:
 Away Record: 2-0
 Neutral Record:
 Overtime Record:

Big Ten Record: NA
 Home Record:
 Away Record:

Goals for: 13
 Average:

Goals Against:
 Average:

Goals for, first half: 6
 Average:
 Goals for, second half: 7
 Average:
 Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half:
 Average:
 Goals against, second half:
 Average:
 Goals against, overtime:

Total Attendance:
 Average:
 Home Attendance:
 Average:
 Neutral Attendance:
 Average:

Away Attendance: NA
 Average:

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erica Berghauer	1	0	0	0	0	0
Corinne Bolder	2	2	1	4	1	3
Sarah Connors	2	0	0	0	1	1
Michealene Denney	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rose Grimm	1	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	2	2	5	17	2	12
Allison Johnson	1	1	0	0	0	0
Megan Johnson	2	0	0	1	2	2
Amy Koehler	2	0	0	0	0	0
Erica Kruse	2	0	0	0	0	0
Nicole Lee	2	0	1	2	2	4
Jennifer McElmury	2	2	2	10	1	5
Dorcey Nelson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Jamie O'Gara	1	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Shea	1	0	0	0	0	0
Colleen Tirney	1	0	0	0	0	0
Vanessa Touset	2	2	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Walek	2	2	2	7	0	4
Jamie Wyffels	2	2	0	0	0	0
Totals						

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	2	2	160	1	11	1.80	1	1
Dana Larson	1	0	20	0	1		1	1
Totals	3	2	180	1	12	1.80	2	2

Team Stats	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
Corner Kicks		
4	7	0

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	6	7	0	0	13
Opponents	0	1	0	0	1



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, September 10
Inner Circle
Radisson Metrodome 6:30 p.m.

Friday, September 13
VB hosts Diet Coke Classic
Marshall vs. Arkansas 6 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Georgia Tech 8 p.m.
CC hosts the Minnesota Triangular
4 p.m.

Saturday, September 14
VB hosts Diet Coke Classic
Arkansas vs. Georgia Tech 11 a.m.
Minnesota vs. Marshall 1 p.m.
Georgia Tech vs. Marshall 6 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Arkansas 8 p.m.
GF hosts Minnesota Invitational
9 a.m.
SC at Portland 2:15 p.m.
(Portland, OR)

Sunday, September 15
GF hosts Minnesota Invitational
9 a.m.
SC vs. Washington 4 p.m.
(Portland, OR)

Volleyball

DeDecker Named Big Ten Player of the Week

KATRIEN DEDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENENUM) was named Big Ten Player of the Week for the period ending September 8, 1996. It was the second time in DeDecker's career she received the honor and the first time since her initial campaign at Minnesota in 1993. DeDecker had an impressive week as she was named to the all-tournament team at the Holiday Inn Classic in Bozeman, Mont., after knocking down 68 kills and hitting .424 for the weekend. DeDecker averaged 23 kills and eight digs a match. Against Montana State, DeDecker had 33 kills and set a Minnesota record for kills in a three-game match. She broke the old record of 27 set by Chris Schaefer in 1987. On the season, DeDecker has 140 kills is hitting .401.

VOLLEYBALL OPENS HOME SCHEDULE BY HOSTING FIRST ANNUAL DIET COKE CLASSIC—The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 3-3 overall, hosts the First Annual Diet Coke Classic on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 13-14, in the Sports Pavilion. Arkansas, #16 Georgia Tech and Marshall join the Gophers in the Classic field.

THE CLASSIC SCHEDULE — Minnesota will play three matches this weekend. The Gophers meet Georgia Tech on Friday at 8 p.m. and Marshall and Arkansas on Saturday at 1 p.m. and 8 p.m., respectively. The entire Diet Coke Classic schedule follows:

Friday — Sept. 13	Arkansas vs. Marshall	6 p.m.
	Minnesota vs. Georgia Tech	8 p.m.
Saturday — Sept. 14	Arkansas vs. Georgia Tech	11 a.m.
	Minnesota vs. Marshall	1 p.m.
	Georgia Tech vs. Marshall	6 p.m.
	Minnesota vs. Arkansas	8 p.m.

ABOUT MINNESOTA—The Gophers are 3-3 overall after a 2-1 weekend at the Holiday Inn Classic in Bozeman, Mont. Minnesota captured victories over Montana State and Kent State, while losing to Washington in action over the weekend. The maroon and gold are led by senior **Katrien DeDecker**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. DeDecker is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is 438 kills away from breaking **Andrea Gonzalez'** record. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while junior middle blocker **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)**, **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** and sophomore middle blocker **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MN/BELLE PLAINE)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./ Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/ Royal Athenuem
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./ Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./ St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./ United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-0	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./ Belle Plaine
Off the Bench:				
OH	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./ Totino-Grace
DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/ Highlands
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./ Apple Valley

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

ARKANSAS—The Lady Razorbacks suffered their first setback of the season losing a three-game match to George Mason at the Capital Premiere in their last outing and own a 6-1 record on the season. A balanced Arkansas offense is led by outside hitter **Denise Baez** and middle blocker **Kim Storey**. Baez tops the squad with 72 kills, a total affected by six of the Lady Razorbacks' seven matches ending in three games. Storey is hitting .419 on the season and provides the defensive charge with a team-high 31 total blocks.

The Series—This is the first meeting between the two schools.

GEORGIA TECH—Georgia Tech continues its accent up the AVCA polls looking to improve on its 16th rank with its 11-0 start to the 1996 campaign. Tech's record includes a perfect 8-0 mark at last weekend's Furman Invitational. The Yellow Jackets are hitting a solid .297 as a team behind the power of middle blocker **Chelle Komula** and outside hitter **Sara McKee**. Komula, one of three Minnesotans on the Tech roster, leads the Jackets with 111 kills and an impressive .474 hitting percentage. McKee has made an immediate impact with her team-best 129 kills. Setter **Andrea Nachtrieb** has utilized the hitters around her to the tune of 13.78 assists per game.

The Series—This is the first meeting between the two schools.

MARSHALL—Marshall is 6-3 on the season after going 3-1 at the Virginia Tournament, losing a three-game match to host Virginia in its last action. The Thundering Herd's biggest offensive threats come from outside hitters **Alisha Bable** and **Jessica Downs**. Bable checks in with a team-best 148 kills and a

.302 attack percentage. Downs is second on the team with 101 kills.

The Series—This is the first meeting between the two teams.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota went 2-1 at the Holiday Inn Classic in Bozeman, Mont., last weekend. The Gophers collected a three-game victory over host Montana State (15-4, 15-13, 15-13) behind a record 33 kills by **Katrien DeDecker**. The only Gopher loss on the weekend came at the hands of Washington who battled back from a one-game deficit to defeat Minnesota in four games (14-16, 15-6, 15-7, 15-9). The Gophers last action resulted in a four-game win over Kent State (7-15, 15-6, 15-7, 15-2).

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Entering his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 575-258 and a .690 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—Maurice Batie and Nao Ikeda enter their first seasons at Minnesota and third with Mike Hebert. Batie and Ikeda worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

DEDECKER NAMED ALL-TOURNAMENT—For the second time in as many weeks **Katrien DeDecker** earned a spot on the all-tournament team. DeDecker added the honor at last weekend's Holiday Inn Classic by smashing 68 kills at a .424 percentage. She also contributed 26 digs and 13 total blocks.

DEDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, DeDecker is only 438 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. She currently ranks third all-time with 1,634 kills. DeDecker also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks, service aces and digs. She is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

BAUER SETS HER WAY INTO THE RECORD BOOKS—Junior setter **Becky Bauer** wasn't about to let **Katrien DeDecker** have all the fun. Both rewrote the Gopher record books in the win over Montana State. Bauer compiled 60 assists to set a new mark for assists in a three-game match. Thirty-three of those assists came off a record number of kills by DeDecker.

MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL—A FAMILY AFFAIR—The Gophers have a long tradition of family on the 1996 squad. Head coach Mike Hebert's daughter, Hillary Hebert, is a first-year defensive specialist for the Gophers. Setter Michelle Miller is the youngest of three sisters to play volleyball at Minnesota. Miller's oldest sister Pam was a player for the Gophers from 1983-86 and was the interim head coach last season. Lori Miller played for the Gophers from 1986-89. First-year setter Susan Shudlick is the youngest of four sisters, three of which played intercollegiate athletics at Minnesota. Oldest sister Carol Ann won the Wade Trophy as the nation's outstanding senior basketball player and was a first team Kodak all-American in 1994, while Nancy was a four-year basketball letterwinner at Minnesota. Sister Linda is a sophomore middle blocker at UCLA.

INJURIES MAKE PRESEASON TOUGH—Injuries have hit the Gophers extremely hard during the offseason and fall practice, but miraculously the team was at full strength as the season opened. Senior outside hitter TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY) played in the season opener after missing most of the preseason with a stress fracture in her right foot. Also, sophomore middle blocker Tara Baynes started in the season opener after missing the past five months suffering from the effects of post-concussive syndrome. Baynes could not do any type of physical activity since April when she was hit in the face with a volleyball at the Wisconsin Invite. This fall, Baynes did not participate in any drills until two weeks ago when she was finally cleared to practice.

DEDECKER NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN TEAM—Senior Katrien DeDecker was named to the preseason all-Big Ten team for the third time in her career. Preseason all-Big Ten Team—Terri Zemaitis, Penn State; Laura Abbinante, Wisconsin; Val Sterk, Michigan State; Veronica Morales, Michigan State; Katrien DeDecker, Minnesota; Sherri Helman, Ohio State; Jen Boleyn, Ohio State; Jenna Wrobel, Michigan State; Kelly Scherr, Illinois; Dana Cooke, Michigan State; Julie Flatley, Indiana; Jennifer Webb, Iowa; Angie Kammer, Penn State; Amy Lee, Wisconsin.

MINNESOTA PICKED TO PLACE EIGHTH—As a team, the Gophers were picked to finish eighth in the conference. Michigan State received the nod from the coaches as the favorites to win the conference championship with Penn State and Wisconsin not far behind the Spartans.

The Preseason Big Ten Volleyball Poll:

1. Michigan State (9)	118
2. Penn State (1)	108
3. Wisconsin (1)	101
4. Ohio State	87
5. Michigan	64
6. Indiana	58
7. Illinois	54
8. MINNESOTA	51
9. Purdue	42
10. Iowa	24
11. Northwestern	18

HAWAII TOPS AVCA/USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES POLL—Michigan State tops the list at #5, while Penn State is #6, San Diego State is #10, Ohio State is #14, Georgia Tech is #16 and Wisconsin is #17.

1. Hawaii (40)	4-0	1
2. Stanford (19)	3-0	2
3. Texas	2-1	4
4. Nebraska	3-1	5
5. Michigan State	1-2	3
6. Penn State	2-0	7
7. Washington State	4-0	8
8. Notre Dame	3-0	9
9. Florida	4-1	11
10. San Diego State	3-0	10
11. Long Beach State	2-0	12
12. UCLA	1-1	6
13. Pacific	3-0	14
14. Ohio State	3-0	15
15. USC	1-1	13
16. Georgia Tech	3-0	16
17. Wisconsin	2-0	NR
18. UC Santa Barbara	1-0	17
19. Louisville	1-1	25
20. Texas A&M	2-1	18
21. BYU	1-1	19
22. Loyola Marymount	2-1	20
23. Arizona State	2-0	21
24. Oral Roberts	4-0	23
25. Colorado State	2-1	NR

MICHIGAN STATE TOPS VOLLEYBALL MONTHLY POLL—Michigan State is ranked #1 in the preseason Volleyball Monthly poll. Other Big Ten teams include Penn State (#9), Wisconsin (#12), Ohio State (#17).

1. Michigan State
2. Hawaii
3. Stanford
4. Nebraska
5. Texas
6. Notre Dame
7. Washington State
8. UCLA
9. Penn State
10. San Diego State
11. Pacific
12. Wisconsin
13. Arizona State
14. USC
15. Oral Roberts
16. Colorado
17. Ohio State
18. Long Beach State
19. UC Santa Barbara
20. Florida

UP NEXT — Minnesota travels to Boston, Mass., Friday-Saturday, Sept. 20-21, for the Boston College Tournament. The Gophers will face Providence, Dartmouth, Bucknell and Boston College.

Soccer

#14 MINNESOTA HITS THE ROAD TO FACE #3 PORTLAND AND #19 WASHINGTON- Minnesota hits the road for the second time this season, as they head to Portland, Ore., to face #3 Portland on Saturday, Sept. 14, at 2:15 p.m. and #19 Washington on Sunday, Sept. 15, at 4 p.m. Both matches will be played in Portland.

ABOUT PORTLAND- The Portland Pilots will meet Minnesota this weekend with a record of 2-0 and are ranked #3 in the NSCAA National Top 25 poll. The Pilots return 14 players from last year's team including leading scorer Wynne McIntosch, who posted 63 shots on goal, 21 goals and four assists for a total of 46 points last season.

Portland is coached by Clive Charles who is 106-24-6 in his eighth season as head coach for the Pilots.

The Series— This will be the first meeting for the Golden Gophers and the Pilots.

ABOUT WASHINGTON- Washington enters this weekend ranked #19 by the NSCAA National Top 25 poll and are 2-1 for the season. The Huskies received their two wins this season by defeating Gonzaga, 3-0, and #12 William & Mary, 2-0. The first loss for Washington came when they were defeated by #2 Notre Dame 4-0. Washington returns 12 players from last year's NCAA Tournament first-round team.

Washington is coached by Leslie Gallimore who is 27-15-2 in his third season as head coach for the Huskies.

The Series— This will be the first meeting for the Huskies and the Gophers.

GOPHER REWIND--MINNESOTA RECORDS THIRD SHUTOUT OF THE SEASON- Minnesota wrapped up their home opener over the weekend by defeating Auburn, 2-0, and New Mexico, 1-0. The Gophers went into the weekend with two previous wins by defeating Valparaiso, 10-0, and Butler, 3-1, in Indiana. The Gophers are now 4-0 for the season.

AGAINST AUBURN— Minnesota had 15 shots on goal but were unsuccessful in putting the ball in until the second period. Senior **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE)** had the first goal at 62:01 with an assist from junior **JENNIFER MCELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE)**. The second goal of the game only two minutes later when frosh. **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK)** received a cross pass from sophomore **KELLY SHEA (EL CAJON, CA/VALAHALLA)**.T

AGAINST NEW MEXICO- The Minnesota Gophers had a tough time racking up a goal against New Mexico. At the end of the first half, both teams were scoreless. New Mexico's defense held the Gophers allowing only four shots on goal in the first half. Heading into the second half the Gophers regrouped and made their first goal of the game at 46:42. McElmury made the goal with a pass from frosh **MEGAN JOHNSON (ROSEMOUNT, MN/ROSEMOUNT)**. The Gophers managed

to hold on for their fourth victory of the season by a 1-0 victory over New Mexico.

INJURIES HIT THE GOPHERS- Minnesota has had to add another player to the injured list this weekend. Senior all-American (second team) Jennifer Walek came out midway through the first half of the match against New Mexico on Sunday. Walek has a sprained left knee and will be going to see a physician for an MRI on Monday. Her playing status at this time is undetermined. Walek joins fellow team members sophomore **NOELLE PAPAN HAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/BURNSVILLE)**, who is out for the season with a torn anterior cruciate ligament and sophomore **JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLARD NORTH)**, who is out due to a stress fracture.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE--Sue Montagne is in her fourth season as head coach of the Gophers. She has a record of 43-17-6 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

O'HEARN OFF TO GOOD START--Keeper **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)** is off to a great start with three shutouts in four games. She has only given up one goal this season.

ERIN HUSSEY BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK FOR SEPT. 4--Senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)** was named Big Ten Player of the Week for Sept. 4. Hussey scored a Minnesota record four goals and recorded two assists for a team record 10 points against Valparaiso. She then added another goal against Butler.

ALL-AMERICAN MCELMURY PICKING UP WHERE SHE LEFT OFF--Second-team all-America junior Jennifer McElmury is having another banner season. McElmury has two goals and two assists for six points.

MINNESOTA ALMOST OFF TO BEST START EVER--Minnesota is 4-0 on the year and needs one more victory to tie its best start ever. Last year the Gophers opened the year 5-0 before tying George Washington 2-2.

FANS POURING IN TO WATCH THE GOPHERS--Last weekend's home opener brought 889 total fans over two games to the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Last season, Minnesota ranked in the top 20 in the nation in soccer attendance.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE- Minnesota will practice Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the St. Paul Campus Field on North Cleveland Ave., just south of Larpentuer Ave. For more information on practice times, please contact Valerie Becker, women's soccer contact at (612)624-0522

UPCOMING MATCHES- The Golden Gophers will play a home match on Friday, Sept. 20, at 4 p.m. against Wisconsin-Milwaukee before heading out on Saturday to face Penn State on Sunday, Sept. 22 at 4 p.m. in University Park, Pa.

Cross Country

GOPHERS HOST MINNESOTA TRIANGULAR—Minnesota will host Drake and Arkansas in the Minnesota Triangular on Friday, Sept. 13, at 4 p.m. The meet will take place on the 5,000-meter Les Bolstad/University of Minnesota Cross Course with regular scoring.

GOPHER REWIND—The gold team defeated the maroon team, 27-28, Saturday in the closest intrasquad meet ever. Junior **ANNA GULLINGSRUD**, a transfer from Purdue, placed first with a time of 14:19.3. **MINNA HARONOJA** was second in 14:44.4, with **KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON)** third in 14:47.1.

Intrasquad results

Saturday, September 7, 1996

1. Anna Gullingsrud, Gold, 14:19.3. 2. Minna Haronoja, Maroon, 14:44.4. 3. Kari Thompson, Gold, 14:47.1. 4. Keri Zweig, Maroon, 15:06.7. 5. Karen Kleindl, Gold, 15:13.4. 6. Bridget Neutgens, Maroon, 15:15.8. 7. Andrea Lentz, Maroon, 15:16.5. 8. Amy Hoel, Gold, 15:23.3. 9. Julie Golla, Maroon, 15:28.2. 10. Danielle Giusti, Gold, 15:37.0. 11. Heidi Johnson, Maroon, 15:38.6. 12. Andrea Swansby, Gold, 15:54.6. 13. Gillian Haro, Maroon, 15:58.3. 14. Renee Kalmbach, Maroon, 15:59.0. 15. Nikki Rassbach, Gold, 16:03.2. 16. Janet Howe, Gold, 16:17.7. 17. Tiff Barron, Gold, 16:42.9. 18. Laurie McGinley, Maroon, 16:46.4. 19. Marissa McGill, Maroon, 16:52.9. 20. Beth Cordes, Maroon, 17:28.3. 21. Megan Amundson, Gold, 17:40.1.

OFF AND RUNNING—Coming off a fifth-place finish in 1995 and graduating only one runner, head coach **Gary Wilson** returns with a solid team for the 1996 season. **Wilson's** first action will be compensating for the loss of all-Big Ten and all-Region runner **Lori Townsend**. **Townsend** was the only Gopher to compete at the NCAA Championships the past two seasons, placing a career-best 45th in 1995. **Wilson** will look to sophomore **JULIE GOLLA (ROCHESTER, MN/MARSHALL)** and seniors **KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/GRACEVILLE-CLINTON)** and **KERI ZWEIG (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA)** to help pick up the pieces. **Golla** burst onto the scene last year and emerged as Minnesota's number two runner behind **Townsend**. **Kleindl** and **Zweig** are seasoned veterans and will add consistency and steadiness to the program. Other returners for the Gophers include **Kari Thompson**, who had a strong season after recovering from numerous injuries, and **JANET HOWE (SIREN, WI)**. Minnesota also welcomes an outstanding recruiting class that features seven new runners, including Wisconsin state champion **AIMEE DAUGS (WATERTOWN, WI)** and **Anna Gullingsrud**.

THE SCHEDULE—Minnesota will host the Minnesota Cross Country Extravaganza, one of the nation's largest cross country meets, on September 28. Last year, over 170 teams and 3,000 runners participated in the meet that features many of the nation's top collegiate and high school runners. After that, the Gophers will go to Auburn and Iowa State before competing at the Big Ten Championships in Bloomington, Ind., November 2. The season continues with the District IV Championships on November 16 in Champaign, Ill, followed by the NCAA Championships on Monday, November 25 in Tucson, Ariz.

UP NEXT--The Gophers travel to Northfield, Minn., for the St. Olaf Invitational Saturday, Sept. 21. Meet time is 10 a.m.

Golf

GOLFERS OPEN SEASON AT HOME WITH 15-TEAM MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL--The University of Minnesota women's golf team opens its 1996 fall season by hosting the Minnesota Invitational Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 14-15. The two-day, 36-hole tournament at the University of Minnesota-Les Bolstad Golf Course has a par of 74 and will play at 5,955 yards.

The Minnesota Invitational, for the second straight year, will be part of the Rolex Collegiate Tour. The 14-team field includes four teams ranked among the final 1995-96 Rolex Women's Rankings, led by 23rd-ranked Oregon, No. 38 Iowa State, No. 42 Minnesota and No. 46 Arkansas-Little Rock. Other teams in the field are Kansas, Bradley, Northern Illinois, Illinois State, Northern Iowa, Bowling Green, Iowa, Missouri-Kansas City, Creighton and Truman State.

The Rolex Collegiate Tour, administered by the College Golf Foundation, is a 200-event tour which includes 110 men's and 90 women's national and regional collegiate golf tournaments from across the country in its second year. The College Golf Foundation is a non-profit organization, founded with support of Rolex Watch U.S.A., dedicated to the growth of and promotion of men's and women's collegiate golf.

MINNESOTA'S FIELD -- The probable starting field for the Gophers this weekend will be junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)**, seniors **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVER FALLS, WI)** and **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLIAM, MN)** and junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WI)**.

LAST YEAR AT THE MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL -- Minnesota (313-320-633) finished third in last year's Invitational, behind team champion Indiana (617) and runner-up Arkansas-Little Rock (631). Of the Minnesota returnees from last year's field, **Dahle** was the top Gopher, finishing in ninth-place at 159. **Klecker** and sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** tied for 11th-place at 160, with **Lindblad** at 164 for 23rd-place and **Sawvell** in 27th-place at 167.

As of: September 7, 1996
 Kent State
 6 Matches played
 3 Wins, 3 Losses

SID Report - Volleyball
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	6	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	16
2	Fiamengo, T.	6	19	33	24	84	.107	9	0	0	6	0	5	21
3	Miller, M.	6	9	0	0	3	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
4	McDonell, J.	6	12	13	8	32	.156	1	0	0	2	0	1	10
6	Hebert, H.	6	9	0	1	1	-1.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
7	Baynes, T.	6	21	43	15	88	.318	6	0	0	2	9	16	22
8	DeDecker, K.	6	21	140	25	287	.401	3	0	0	5	5	13	46
9	Passer, J.	6	21	43	13	92	.326	2	0	0	4	3	21	45
10	Pearman, S.	6	21	57	38	155	.123	0	0	0	3	0	8	53
13	Bauer, B.	6	21	17	7	42	.238	265	0	0	3	2	15	36
14	Shudlick, S.	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		6	21	346	131	784	.274	287	0	0	29	19	79	257
TEAM BLOCKS:		58												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	17	0	0	0	2	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.94	0.00	0.12
2	Fiamengo, T.	19	1	1	4	10	1.74	0.47	0.32	1.11	0.26	0.79
3	Miller, M.	9	0	0	0	2	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.22	0.00	0.22
4	McDonell, J.	12	0	4	0	6	1.08	0.08	0.17	0.83	0.08	0.83
6	Hebert, H.	9	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.44	0.00	0.00
7	Baynes, T.	21	2	0	3	12	2.05	0.29	0.10	1.05	1.19	0.71
8	DeDecker, K.	21	1	9	3	20	6.67	0.14	0.24	2.19	0.86	1.52
9	Passer, J.	21	1	1	0	6	2.05	0.10	0.19	2.14	1.14	0.33
10	Pearman, S.	21	1	10	1	22	2.71	0.00	0.14	2.52	0.38	1.57
13	Bauer, B.	21	10	0	5	8	0.81	12.62	0.14	1.71	0.81	0.62
14	Shudlick, S.	3	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.67	0.00	0.00
0		0	0	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		21	16	26	16	88	16.48	13.67	1.38	12.24	2.76	6.19

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Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15, 12-15, 15- 8, 14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15, 13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8, 15- 4, 15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15- 6, 15-13, 15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15, 15- 6, 15- 7, 15- 2		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ---- Overall -- 3- 3
 Conference -- 0- 0

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erica Berghauer	1	0	0	0	0	0
Corinne Bolder	4	4	1	5	1	3
Sarah Connors	4	0	2	0	1	5
Michealene Denney	4	0	0	1	0	0
Rose Grimm	1	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	4	4	5	19	2	12
Allison Johnson	4	4	0	0	0	0
Megan Johnson	3	0	0	1	4	4
Amy Koehler	4	0	1	1	0	2
Erica Kruse	4	0	0	0	0	0
Nicole Lee	4	0	3	2	2	6
Jennifer McElmury	4	4	2	12	2	6
Dorcey Nelson	2	0	0	0	0	0
Jamie O'Gara	1	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Shea	4	0	0	0	1	1
Colleen Tirney	1	0	0	0	0	0
Vanessa Touset	4	4	0	1	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	12	1	7
Jamie Wyffels	4	4	0	0	0	0
Totals						

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	4	4	340	1	18	3.77	3	1
Dana Larson	1	0	20	0	1	1.80	1	1
Totals	4	4	360	1	19	5.57	4	2

Team Stats

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
15	21	0

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	6	10	0	0	16
Opponents	0	1	0	0	1

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1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent	W/L/T	Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		
Sept. 2	Butler University	W	3-1	2-0		
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423

*Big Ten Conference match
!NCAA Tournament, Madison, Wis.

Overall Record: 4-0
Home Record: 2-0
Away Record: 2-0
Neutral Record:
Overtime Record:

Big Ten Record: NA
Home Record:
Away Record:

Goals for: 16
Average:

Goals Against: 1
Average:

Goals for, first half: 6
Average:
Goals for, second half: 10
Average:
Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 1
Average:
Goals against, second half: 0
Average:
Goals against, overtime: 0

Total Attendance: 889
Average:
Home Attendance:
 Away Attendance: NA
Average:
Neutral Attendance:
Average:

Average:



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Friday, September 20**
- SC hosts Wis.-Milwaukee 4 p.m.
 - VB at Boston College Classic (Chestnut Hill, MA)
 - Minnesota vs. Providence 4 p.m.
 - Minnesota vs. Dartmouth 6 p.m.
 - GF at Lady Northern All Day (East Lansing, MI)
- Saturday, September 21**
- VB at Boston College Classic (Chestnut Hill, MA)
 - Minnesota vs. Bucknell 11 a.m.
 - Minnesota at Boston College 5 p.m.
 - GF at Lady Northern All Day (East Lansing, MI)
 - CC at St. Olaf Invitational 10 a.m. (Northfield, MN)
- Sunday, September 22**
- GF at Lady Northern All Day (East Lansing, MI)
 - SC at Penn State 12 noon (University Park, PA)

Soccer

#14 MINNESOTA PLAYS WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE, FRIDAY, THEN HEADS EAST TO FACE BIG TEN OPPONENT PENN STATE- Minnesota splits the weekend up between home and the east coast. The Gophers face Wisconsin-Milwaukee on Friday at 4 p.m. at the St. Paul Campus Field. On Sunday, Minnesota faces its first Big Ten opponent of the season, Penn State, at University Park, Penn., for a 12 noon (CDT) match.

ABOUT WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE-The Wisconsin-Milwaukee Panthers come to Minnesota with a 2-2 record this season. The Panthers first loss of the season was in their first game of the year against UW-Green Bay, 3-0. The Panthers followed that in facing Iowa State and capturing their first win, 4-1. UWM then played Northwestern, winning 3-0. The Panthers then went on to face #19 Wisconsin where they suffered a tough 1-0 loss.

Wisconsin-Milwaukee is coached by **Susan Moynihan** who is 37-37-4 in her fifth season as head coach for the Panthers.

The Series- This will be the third meeting between the Panthers and the Gophers. The series is tied 1-1 with the last victory going to the Gophers, 5-1.

ABOUT PENN STATE- Minnesota heads to Penn State to face the 3-0-1 Lady Lions. This match will be the first Big Ten meeting of the season for both teams. Last season, the Lady Lions were 15-7-1 and third in the Big Ten. Penn State also made its first appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

Penn State is coached by **Pat Farmer** who is 32-11-2 in his third season as head coach for the Lady Lions.

The Series- This will be the third meeting for the Lady Lions and the Gophers. The series stands at 1-1 with the last victory going to the Gophers, 2-0.

GOPHER REWIND— MINNESOTA SUFFERS FIRST LOSS OF THE SEASON- Minnesota went out west last weekend to face #3 Portland and #19 Washington. The Gophers had a heartbreaking 3-2 loss to Portland on Saturday. On Sunday, the Gophers faced Washington where they captured their fifth win of the season by defeating the Huskies, 2-1.

AGAINST #3 PORTLAND-Minnesota had to face a tough Portland defense as the Gophers were allowed only seven shots on goal compared to Portland's 15. Senior **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE)** scored the first goal for the Gophers at 16:55 with an assist from frosh **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK)**. Portland answered back with a goal at 20:06, ending the first half 1-1. Heading into the second half, Portland scored the first two goals of the half at 55:21 and 83:30. Minnesota picked up the pace and tried to rally back by making their second goal of the game in the final two minutes. **McElmury** scored again for the Gophers at the 87 minute mark, making the final score 3-2.

AGAINST #19 WASHINGTON-Minnesota went toe-to-toe with the Huskies on Sunday and pulled off the win. Washington's **Erin Pochman** scored the first goal of the match in the first two minutes. The Gophers' first goal of the match was in the second half at 51:55 from the **Jennifer McElmury** with an assist to senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)**. The game remained a 1-1 score until the last three

minutes when frosh Nicole Lee scored, with an assist from McElmury. Minnesota managed to hold on for the 2-1 victory.

INJURY UPDATE-Minnesota's backup goalie frosh **DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OH/DELAWARE)** has been added to the injury list for the Gophers. Larson dislocated her thumb in practice last Friday, Larson will be out for two to three weeks. Larson now joins her fellow teammates senior **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N.ST. PAUL)** and **NOELLE PAPHENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/BURNSVILLE)**, both out for the season with torn ACL injuries. Sophomore **JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLARD NORTH)** is out due to a stress fracture.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE-- Sue Montagne is in her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 44-17-7 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

ALL-AMERICAN McELMURY KEEPS UP THE PACE-- Second-team all-American junior **Jennifer McElmury** is stepping in after the loss of senior **Jennifer Walek** to a torn ACL. McElmury scored a total of three goals last weekend, one against Portland and two against Washington. McElmury now has four goals and three assists for the season.

O'HEARN KEEPS GOING STRONG—Keeper **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)** keeps up the great work in goal. O'Hearn has allowed just three goals in five matches. She has played 520 minutes and has a goals against average of 0.52.

ERIN HUSSEY BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK FOR SEPT. 4—Senior **Erin Hussey** was named Big Ten Player of the Week for Sept. 4. Hussey scored a Minnesota record four goals and recorded two assists for a team record 10 points against Valparaiso. She leads the team in scoring with 13 points. Over the weekend, Hussey added an assist in the game against Washington.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE- Minnesota will practice Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the St. Paul Campus Field. On Thursday, the Gophers will have a 3 -4 p.m. practice at Bierman Field in preparation for Friday's match against Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

UPCOMING MATCHES-The Golden Gophers will be hosting two consecutive Big Ten matches. On Friday, Sept. 27, Minnesota takes on Northwestern at 4 p.m. and on Sunday, Sept. 29, Minnesota faces border rival #19 Wisconsin at 1 p.m. The Wisconsin match is a rematch of last year's Big Ten Championship match and NCAA Tournament first-round match. The Gophers beat the Badgers at the Big Ten Championships, and Wisconsin won the NCAA game, 1-0. Both matches will be played on the St. Paul Campus Field.

Volleyball

VOLLEYBALL TEAM TO COMPETE IN THE BOSTON COLLEGE EAGLE CLASSIC — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 5-4 overall, will compete in the Boston College Eagle Classic on Friday-Saturday, Sept. 20-21, in its final tune-up before opening Big Ten play on Sept. 27, against Penn State. Joining Minnesota and host Boston College in the tournament field are Providence, Dartmouth, Cincinnati and Bucknell. The Gophers, however, will not face Cincinnati in tournament play.

THE CLASSIC SCHEDULE — Minnesota will play four matches this weekend. The Gophers' schedule at this weekend's Boston College Tournament follows:

Friday — Sept. 20	Minnesota vs. Providence 5 p.m. (CST) Minnesota vs. Dartmouth 7 p.m. (CST)
Saturday — Sept. 21	Minnesota vs. Bucknell Noon (CST) Minnesota vs. BC 7 p.m. (CST)

ABOUT MINNESOTA— The Gophers improved their record to 5-4 on the season with a 2-1 finish at their own Diet Coke Classic last weekend. Minnesota opened Classic action with a tough five-game loss to #19 Georgia Tech, then captured three-game victories over Marshall and Arkansas in its last outings. The maroon and gold is led by senior **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. DeDecker is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is 378 kills away from breaking Andrea Gonzalez' record. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while junior middle blocker **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore middle blocker **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MN/BELLE PLAINE)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota. Outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** complete the Gophers' starting lineup.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-0	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

OH	Jill McDonnell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

BOSTON COLLEGE—The Eagles opened their '96 season with two losses but are undefeated since bringing a 7-2 record into their own tournament. Boston College has one match scheduled before the Eagle Classic against New Hampshire on Tuesday. In their last action, the Eagles went 3-0 in last weekend's New England Invitational defeating Utah State, Drexel and Northeastern. **Amy Lawrence** was selected to the all-tournament team and is currently second on the squad in kills with 106. Senior outside hitter **Deanna Herman** leads the way with 129 kills on the season.

Boston College head coach **Nadine Lilavois** is in her fifth season with the Eagles and owns a 56-90 (.384) record with the Eagles.

The Series—This is the first meeting between Boston College and Minnesota.

BUCKNELL—Bucknell is currently 8-2 on the season after winning six straight matches, including the title in last weekend's Bucknell Invitational. The Bison are an experienced squad with five seniors on the roster but it is junior middle hitter **Melissa Wharton** who leads the team statistically. **Wharton** is hitting at a torrid .455 pace with a team-high 179 kills in 321 attempts. She is also the top Bison defensively at the net where she has 78 total blocks on the season. Junior setter **Amy Turnshek** averages 10.36 assists per game.

Bison head coach **Cindy Opalski** is in her seventh season and sports a 87-106 (.451) record at Bucknell.

The Series—This is the first meeting between Bucknell and Minnesota.

DARTMOUTH—The 1996 season for the Big Green of Dartmouth is just underway as they opened their campaign going 2-1 at Bucknell last weekend. The Big Green lost a tough five-game match to Bucknell then came back to capture wins over St. Bonaventure (3-1) and Rider (3-1). Sophomore outside hitter **Alison McKinley** is off to a great start to her season leading the team in kills with 63 and attack percentage at .341. Sophomore setter **Felicity Kolp** directs the Big Green offense and averages 11.38 assists per game.

Dartmouth head coach **Ann Marie Larese** is in her third season with the Big Green and holds a record of 21-32 (.396).

The Series—This is the first meeting between Dartmouth and Minnesota.

PROVIDENCE—The Lady Friars are 5-6 overall after finishing with a 1-2 record at the St. Mary's Invitational last weekend. The only Providence win in the tournament was over Air Force, a first-year Division I program. Providence's offense has struggled in '96 owning a team .181 attack percentage. Senior **Becky Loftus** leads the way with 101 kills but averages just 2.53 per game. She also tops the team on defense with 48 total blocks on the season.

Providence head coach **Karen Mendes** is in her third season with the Lady Friars and owns a 42-33 (.560) record.

The Series—Minnesota owns a 1-0 advantage in series play against Providence. The Gophers defeated the Lady Friars, 3-0, during the 1985 season in only meeting between the two schools.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Entering his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 577-259 and a .690 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—**Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** enter their first seasons at Minnesota and third with **Mike Hebert**. **Batie** and **Ikeda** worked with **Hebert** for two seasons at Illinois.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota hosted the Diet Coke Classic last weekend, in its first home action of the '96 season. The Gophers lost a heartbreaker to #19 Georgia Tech, the eventual Classic champion, in five games by scores of 16-14, 9-15, 8-15, 15-7, 15-12. Minnesota regrouped to capture a pair of three-game victories on Saturday, over Marshall by scores of 15-3, 15-12, 15-8 and against Arkansas, 15-7, 16-14, 15-9.

MAKE IT THREE STRAIGHT, DeDECKER NAMED ALL-TOURNAMENT AGAIN — It has become a habit, but a good habit, as **Katrien DeDecker** completed the hat trick last weekend by adding an all-tournament honor at the Diet Coke Classic to those earned previously this season at the San Diego and Montana State tournaments. Last weekend, **DeDecker** landed a total of 60 kills in a .256 attack percentage. She swatted 29 kills in a career-high 82 attempts against Georgia Tech, a season-low eight kills versus Marshall and 22 winners in the match with Arkansas. **DeDecker** also contributed 14 total blocks, seven service aces and 26 digs.

BAUER ALSO SELECTED TO ELITE SQUAD — Playing with the consistency necessary to guide a squad to bigger and better things, junior setter **Becky Bauer** joined teammate **Katrien DeDecker** on the all-tournament team. **Bauer** collected 156 assists, an impressive 14.18 assists per game, in the 11 games played over the weekend. Her 62 assists against Georgia Tech set a new Sports Pavilion record. She also added nine total blocks, seven service aces and 24 digs.

DeDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, **DeDecker** is only 378 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. She currently ranks third all-time with 1,762 kills. **DeDecker** also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks, service aces and digs. The all-time digs list should be **DeDecker's** next top ten entry as she enters play this weekend needing nine digs to match **Gretchen Dahl's** (1991-94) 10th all-

time total of 807 digs. She is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

MATCH WITH GEORGIA TECH LONGEST HOME MATCH IN PAVILION HISTORY — The marathon five-game match against #19 Georgia Tech lasted two hours, 26 minutes, the longest match ever played in the Sports Pavilion. The previous record of two hours, 25 minutes was set in a five-game match versus Wisconsin during the 1994 season.

SEVERAL PAVILION RECORDS FALL AGAINST GEORGIA TECH — In addition to the longest match record, nine other Sports Pavilion records fell in the match with Georgia Tech. Six records were set by the Gophers: **Katrien DeDecker's** 82 attack attempts; **Becky Bauer's** 65 assists; **Sarah Pearman's** 26 digs and team records for digs (94), solo blocks (4) and total blocks (16). Georgia Tech rewrote Pavilion marks in assists (**Andrea Nachtrieb**, 67), team kills (86) and team attack attempts (231).

SARAH PEARMAN HITS THE MARK VERSUS ARKANSAS — Junior **Sarah Pearman** found the groove in the match against Arkansas setting a career-best and Sports Pavilion record with a hitting performance resulting in a .684 attack percentage. **Pearman** smashed a season-high 14 kills in 19 attempts with one hitting error. She improved several career-bests in the Georgia Tech match as well collecting 38 attacks, three blocks assists, three total blocks, three assists and 26 digs. Her dig total set a Sports Pavilion match record.

JANE PASSER'S OFFENSIVE GAME CLICKS — **Jane Passer** contributed an excellent offensive performance to the Gopher cause last weekend. The junior outside hitter tallied a combined .352 attack percentage and a total of 84 kills against Georgia Tech, Marshall and Arkansas. Against Georgia Tech, she smacked 16 winners. Versus Marshall, it was her accuracy which set yet another career best. **Passer** hit 14 kills in 22 attempts with two errors for a .545 attack percentage

THE NATION'S BEST — **Katrien DeDecker's** 6.67 kills per game led the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. Only Arizona State's **Terri Cox** and Texas Christian's **Jill Pape** join **DeDecker** in landing over six kills per game. Heading into last weekend, **DeDecker's** total of 33 kills against Montana State is the fifth-highest match kill total in the nation so far this season. **Pape** hit 37 winners versus SMU to lead the way. **DeDecker** checks in with 6.25 kills per game for this week's national statistics to be released Thursday.

BIG TEN STATS & STUFF — In addition to leading the nation, **Katrien DeDecker** tops the Big Ten with 6.25 kills per game. She is also eight in hitting percentage at .350 and ninth in service aces at 0.38 per game. **Becky Bauer** is first in assists (13.16 apg.), while **Tara Baynes** (1.34 tbpg.) and **Jane Passer** (1.16 tbpg.) rank fourth and seventh in total blocks per game. As a team, the Gophers are third in the Big Ten in hitting percentage (.258), kills per game (16.38) and team blocks per game (3.05).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	2-1
Road matches	1-1
Neutral site matches	2-2
In three-game matches	4-1
In four-game matches	1-2
In five-game matches	0-1
Record winning the first game	4-1
Record winning first two games	4-0
Record losing first game	1-3
Record losing first two games	0-2
Record vs. ranked opponents	0-1

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 76 vs. Georgia Tech
Total Attempts — 216 vs. Georgia Tech
Attack Percentage — .427 vs. California-Northridge
Assists — 75 vs. Georgia Tech
Service Aces — 11 vs. Georgia Tech
Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
Blocks Assists — 24 vs. Georgia Tech
Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 33, Katrien DeDecker vs. Montana State
Attempts — 82, Katrien DeDecker vs. Georgia Tech
Attack Pct. — .684, Jane Passer (14-1-19) vs. Arkansas
Assists — 65, Becky Bauer vs. Georgia Tech
Service Aces — 4, Katrien DeDecker vs. Arkansas
Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
Block Assists — 6, Tara Baynes vs. Georgia Tech & Marshall

DEDECKER NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN

TEAM—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** was named to the preseason all-Big Ten team for the third time in her career. The 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year, **Terri Zemaitis** of Penn State, **Laura Abbinante** of Wisconsin and **Val Sterk** of Michigan State were all unanimous selections.

Preseason all-Big Ten Team—**Terri Zemaitis**, Penn State; **Laura Abbinante**, Wisconsin; **Val Sterk**, Michigan State; **Veronica Morales**, Michigan State; **Katrien DeDecker**, Minnesota; **Sherri Helman**, Ohio State; **Jen Boleyn**, Ohio State; **Jenna Wrobel**, Michigan State; **Kelly Scherr**, Illinois; **Dana Cooke**, Michigan State; **Julie Flatley**, Indiana; **Jennifer Webb**, Iowa; **Angie Kammer**, Penn State; **Amy Lee**, Wisconsin.

MINNESOTA PICKED TO PLACE EIGHTH—As a team, the Gophers were picked to finish eighth in the conference. Michigan State received the nod from the coaches as the favorites to win the conference championship with Penn State and Wisconsin not far behind the Spartans.

The Preseason Big Ten Volleyball Poll:

1. Michigan State (9)	118
2. Penn State (1)	108
3. Wisconsin (1)	101
4. Ohio State	87
5. Michigan	64
6. Indiana	58
7. Illinois	54
8. MINNESOTA	51
9. Purdue	42
10. Iowa	24
11. Northwestern	18

HAWAII TOPS AVCA/USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES

POLL—Penn State tops the list of Minnesota's nationally-ranked opponents at #5 in last week's national poll. Michigan State remained in the top 10 falling from #6 to #8. Wisconsin improved to #17 while Diet Coke Classic opponent Georgia Tech checks in at #19. Washington and Arkansas are opponents which garnered points in this week's poll.

Poll #2 — Sept. 10	Record	Points	LtWk
1. Hawaii (40)	8-0	1461	1
2. Stanford (13)	4-0	1429	2
3. Texas	4-1	1348	3
4. Nebraska	5-1	1294	4
5. Penn State	6-0	1206	6
6. Washington State	7-0	1167	7
7. Florida	7-1	1076	9
8. Michigan State	1-4	1042	6
9. Long Beach State	6-0	1014	11
10. UCLA	5-2	844	12
11. Notre Dame	5-2	823	8
12. Ohio State	6-0	766	14
13. USC	2-1	682	15
14. Wisconsin	5-0	672	17
15. Louisville	5-1	661	29
16. Pacific	4-1	630	13
17. UC Santa Barbara	6-0	612	18
18. San Diego State	3-2	510	10
19. Georgia Tech	11-0	479	16
20. Loyola Marymount	5-1	324	22
21. Texas A&M	4-2	298	20
22. Pepperdine	4-0	213	NR
23. Oral Roberts	7-1	155	24
24. Colorado State	5-1	116	25
25. BYU	1-3	86	21

Others recovering points: Arizona (71), Arizona State (56), Arkansas (40), Oregon State (26), Washington (22), Texas Tech (18), George Mason (11), Colorado (5), Idaho (5), Georgia (4), Fresno State (4), Kansas State (3), South Florida (1), Oklahoma (1).

UP NEXT — Minnesota opens its Big Ten season on Friday, Sept. 27 with a home match against Penn State, then hosts Ohio State on Saturday, Sept. 28.

Cross Country

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO ST. OLAF—Minnesota will travel to Northfield, Minn., for the St. Olaf Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 21. Meet time is 10 a.m.

GOPHER REWIND—The Gophers hosted the Minnesota Triangular on Saturday at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. Sophomore ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/ MOUNDS VIEW) placed first out of 39 runners in a time of 17:24, the fastest time ever by a Minnesota runner on the new Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. Her time was one second faster than the fastest time ever run by former Minnesota athlete Lori Townsend, who was a two-time all-Region and all-Big Ten runner for the Gophers from 1992-96. Gullingsrud's nearest competitor was Karen Bockel of Arkansas in a time of 18:04. Arkansas, with finishers in the second, third, and fourth places, won the triangular with 27 points. Minnesota was second with 36 points and Drake third with 57 points. Other top finishers for the Gophers include MINNA HARONOJA (ILLO, FINLAND/ VAMMALIA) fifth in 18:21; KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON) sixth in 18:23; KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/CLINTON-GRACEVILLE) 11th in 18:45; and BRIDGET NEUTGENS (OLIVIA, MN/OLIVIA) 13th in 18:51.

Minnesota Triangular Results September 13, 1996

1. Anna Gullingsrud, Minn., 17:24. 2. Karen Bockel, Ark., 18:04. 3. Amy Yoder, Ark., 18:05. 4. Lis Shell, Ark., 18:16. 5. Minna Haronoja, Minn., 18:21. 6. Kari Thompson, Minn., 18:23. 7. Carla Sudbeck, Drake, 18:32. 8. Margaret Robinson, Ark., 18:33. 9. Kelly Noonan, Drake, 18:35. 10. Desiree Owen, Ark., 18:41. 11. Karen Kleindl, Minn., 18:45. 12. Summer Johnson, Drake, 18:50. 13. Bridget Neutgens, Minn., 18:51. 14. Carrie Cesario, Drake, 18:55. 15. Carissa Romberg, Drake, 18:57. 16. Amy McKinley, Ark., 18:59. 17. Amy Hoel, Minn., 18:59. 18. Keri Zweig, Minn., 19:01. 19. Andrea Lentz, Minn., 19:02. 20. Heidi Johnson, Minn., 19:05. 21. Julie Golla, Minn., 19:08. 22. Janet Howe, Minn., 19:20. 23. Danielle Giusti, Minn., 19:30. 24. Gillian Haro, Minn., 19:42. 25. Annette Quaid, Ark., 19:46. 26. Andrea Swansby, Minn., 19:53. 27. Nikki Rassbach, Minn., 20:05. 28. Amy Marts, Drake, 20:12. 29. Maggie Fleming, Ark., 20:17. 30. Renee Kalmbach, Minn., 20:30. 31. Beth Cords, Minn., 20:35. 32. Glenalyn Johnson, Minn., 20:36. 33. Laurie McGinley, Minn., 20:41. 34. Sarah Miller, Drake, 20:42. 35. Tiffany Barron, Minn., 20:49. 36. Mona Skoog, Drake, 21:02. 37. Megan Amundson, Minn., 21:29. 38. Anne-Marie Marshall, Minn., 21:38. 39. Nicole Addington, Drake, 22:05.

WHAT'S NEXT--Minnesota will host the Minnesota Cross Country Extravaganza, one of the nation's largest cross country meets, on September 28. Last year, over 170 teams and 3,000 runners participated in the meet that features many of the nation's top collegiate and high school runners.

Golf

GOLFERS TRAVEL TO 15-TEAM LADY NORTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE--The University of Minnesota women's golf team travels to the Lady Northern Intercollegiate golf tournament in East Lansing, Mich., Sept. 20-22. The Lady Northern is part of Rolex Collegiate Tour which features 90 women's tournaments in 1996-97. Hosted by Michigan State, the 15-team Lady Northern field will compete on MSU's Forest Akers West Golf Course, with a par of 72 and plays at 7,012 yards. The three-day competition is 54-holes, with 18 holes being played each day.

The field which includes all 11 of the Big Ten Conference schools - Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Northwestern, Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue and Wisconsin - also includes Illinois State, Iowa State, Missouri and Northern Illinois.

The Gophers have faced four of the Lady Northern teams earlier this year at the Minnesota Invitational. Minnesota finished better than Iowa State by 12 strokes, Northern Illinois (26 strokes), Iowa (30 strokes) and Illinois State (38 strokes).

GOPHERS SECOND AT HOME - Minnesota finished second at its 15-team Minnesota Invitational which is part of the Rolex Collegiate Tour, Sept. 14-15. The Gophers carded rounds of 312 and 307 to finish at 619 behind tournament winner and top 20 ranked Oregon at 611. Oregon set an University of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course record with its 36-hole score. The previous record was 617 set by Indiana last year at the Minnesota Invitational. Iowa State was third at 631 and was followed by Kansas (640), Arkansas-Little Rock (642).

SAWVELL SETS TWO PERSONAL BESTS - Junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WI)** set two collegiate best marks and tied another at the Minnesota Invitational when she finished third at 151 after rounds of 75 and 76. Her third-place finish was her best collegiate finish ever, with her previous low finish being ninth last season at the Iowa Invitational. Sawvell's 151 was four strokes better than her previous 36-hole total of 155, set in February at the Midwest Classic. Her first round 75 tied her low 18-hole score, also set the Midwest Classic.

TWO MORE GOPHERS IN THE TOP 10 - Two other Gophers finished in the top 10 at the Minnesota Invitational. Senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVER FALLS, WI)** was fourth after rounds of 75 and 77 to finish at 152. Klecker was tied for first place after the first round of play. Junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)** tied for ninth-place at 156 after rounds of 80 and 76.

OTHER GOPHERS IN THE FIELD - Senior **JENNY TRENDIA (OWATONNA, MN)** tied for 17th (79-80-159), sophomore **MICHELLE BALLOU (CHASKA, MN)** tied for 19th (81-79-160), senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)** tied for 26th (83-80-163), sophomore **MELANIE LEPP**

(EASTON, MN)/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL), competing as an individual, also tied for 26th (85-78-163), junior **MARCY SAVAGE (HIBBING, MN)** tied for 31st (82-82-164), junior **KRISTI WEICHERT (CALEDONIA, MN)**, competing as an individual, also tied for 31st (88-78-164), sophomore **DONNA BOOM (ALBERT LEA, MN)**, competing as an individual, tied for 35th (85-80-165) and junior **GLENNA GILBERT (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)** tied for 60th (87-84-171).

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent	W/L/T	Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		
Sept. 2	Butler University	W	3-1	2-0		
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	#4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	#14 Wahsington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912

*Big Ten Conference match
!NCAA Tournament, Madison, Wis.

Overall Record: 5-1
Home Record: 2-0
Away Record: 3-1
Neutral Record:
Overtime Record:

Big Ten Record: NA
Home Record:
Away Record:

Goals for: 19
Average:

Goals Against: 3
Average:

Goals for, first half: 6
Average:
Goals for, second half: 13
Average:
Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 2
Average:
Goals against, second half: 0
Average:
Goals against, overtime: 0

Total Attendance: 3860
Average:
Home Attendance:
 Away Attendance: NA
Average:

Average:

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erika Berghauer	1	0	0	0	0	0
Corinne Bolder	6	6	1	8	1	3
Sarah Connors	5	0	1	1	1	3
Michealene Denney	4	0	0	1	0	0
Rose Grimm	1	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	6	6	5	20	1	13
Allison Johnson	6	6	0	0	0	0
Megan Johnson	3	0	0	1	4	4
Amy Koehler	6	0	1	1	0	2
Erika Kruse	6	0	0	0	0	0
Nicole Lee	6	2	4	5	3	11
Jennifer McElmury	6	6	4	20	3	11
Dorcey Nelson	4	0	0	0	0	0
Jamie O'Gara	1	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Shea	6	6	0	3	1	1
Colleen Tirney	1	0	0	0	0	0
Vanessa Touset	6	6	0	2	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	12	1	7
Jamie Wyffels	6	6	0	0	0	0
Totals						

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	6	6	520	3	28	0.52	3	1
Dana Larson	1	0	20	0	1	0	1	1
Totals	7	7	540	3	29	0.52	4	2

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
24	39	0

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	7	12	0	0	19
Opponents	1	2	0	0	3

As of: 9-14-96
Arkansas
9 Matches played
5 Wins, 4 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	9	27	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	5	0	0	33
2	Fiamengo, T.	9	30	54	31	135	.170	13	0	0	6	1	10	42
3	Miller, M.	9	15	0	0	3	.000	1	0	0	0	0	1	7
4	McDonnell, J.	9	15	18	12	49	.122	1	0	0	2	1	3	16
6	Hebert, H.	8	13	0	1	1	-1.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
7	Baynes, T.	9	32	61	27	141	.241	6	0	0	7	11	32	44
8	DeDecker, K.	9	32	200	45	443	.350	5	0	0	12	9	23	72
9	Passer, J.	9	32	84	23	180	.339	4	0	0	8	4	33	73
10	Pearman, S.	9	31	87	52	228	.154	4	1	****	7	0	13	99
13	Bauer, B.	9	32	20	12	63	.127	421	0	0	10	2	24	60
14	Shudlick, S.	5	11	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	6
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		9	32	524	203	1243	.258	458	1	****	58	28	139	456
TEAM BLOCKS:		97												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	27	0	2	0	5	0.00	0.07	0.19	1.22	0.00	0.26
2	Fiamengo, T.	30	1	1	4	14	1.80	0.43	0.20	1.40	0.37	0.63
3	Miller, M.	15	0	0	0	3	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.47	0.07	0.20
4	McDonnell, J.	15	0	4	0	9	1.20	0.07	0.13	1.07	0.27	0.87
6	Hebert, H.	13	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.00	0.00
7	Baynes, T.	32	2	0	3	20	1.91	0.19	0.22	1.38	1.34	0.72
8	DeDecker, K.	32	1	12	3	26	6.25	0.16	0.38	2.25	1.00	1.28
9	Passer, J.	32	1	2	1	8	2.63	0.13	0.25	2.28	1.16	0.34
10	Pearman, S.	31	2	12	1	29	2.81	0.13	0.23	3.19	0.42	1.35
13	Bauer, B.	32	12	0	5	9	0.63	13.16	0.31	1.88	0.81	0.44
14	Shudlick, S.	11	0	0	0	1	0.00	0.09	0.09	0.55	0.00	0.09
0		0	0	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		32	19	34	17	124	16.37	14.31	1.81	14.25	3.03	5.47

University of Minnesota - 1996
Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15, 12-15, 15-8, 14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15, 13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15-8, 15-4, 15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15-6, 15-13, 15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15, 15-6, 15-7, 15-2		
#19 Georgia Tech	Loss 2-3	9-13-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 14-16, 15-9, 15-8, 7-15, 12-15		
Marshall	Win 3-0	September 14, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15-3, 15-12, 15-8		
Arkansas	Win 3-0	9-14-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15-7, 16-14, 15-9		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ---- Overall -- 5- 4
 Conference -- 0- 0

1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/7 Intrasquad/Alumni (St. Paul, MN)	Gold 27, Maroon 28	10/26 Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)	
9/14 Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd, (36 points)	11/2 Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)	
9/21 at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)		11/16 at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)	
9/28 Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)		11/25 at NCAA Championships (Tucson, AZ)	
10/12 at Auburn Invitational (Auburn, AL)			
10/19 at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)			

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (4,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)							
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)							
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)							
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st/1st)							
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)							
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)							
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)							
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)							
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF							
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)							
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)							
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)							
Glenalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)							
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)							
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)							
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)							
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)							
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC							
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)							
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)							
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)							
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)							
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)							
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)							



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 27
 SC hosts Northwestern 4 p.m.
 VB hosts Penn State (MSC) 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 28
 VB hosts Ohio State (MSC) 7 p.m.
 CC hosts Roy Griak Invite 9 a.m.
 GF at Lady Badger 9 a.m.
 (Madison, WI)

Sunday, September 29
 SC hosts Wisconsin 1 p.m.
 GF at Lady Badger 9 a.m.
 (Madison, WI)



VOLLEYBALL TEAM OPENS BIG TEN SEASON — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 9-4 overall, hosts Penn State on Friday, Sept. 27 and Ohio State on Saturday, Sept. 28, to open the 1996 Big Ten schedule.

A HUGE CHALLENGE — Like challenges? Then check out the Gophers' first Big Ten doubleheader weekend of the conference season. Penn State brings its lofty #4 ranking and a perfect 11-0 record into Friday's match. Ohio State, also at 11-0, is off to the best start in Buckeye history and ranked #10.

MSC BROADCASTS BOTH MATCHES LIVE — Midwest Sports Channel (MSC) will broadcast both the Penn State and Ohio State matches live. **Ryan Lefebvre** will handle the play-by-play and former Gopher **Chris Schaefer** will serve as the color analyst.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — The Gophers improved their record to 9-4 on the season with a 4-0 finish at the Boston College Eagle Classic last weekend. Minnesota defeated Providence, 3-1, before sweeping Dartmouth, Bucknell and Boston College in three-game matches to improve its winning streak to six matches. The maroon and gold is led by senior **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATH-ENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. **DeDecker** is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is 307 kills away from **Andrea Gonzalez'** record. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while junior middle blocker **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Athenuem
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

DeDECKER EARNS SECOND BIG TEN HONOR OF SEASON — Senior outside hitter **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)** has been selected as this week's Big Ten Volleyball Player of the Week. It is the second time this season **DeDecker** has captured the conference's weekly honor. The all-America candidate led the Gophers to a 4-0 record in last weekend's Boston College Eagle Classic en route to earning all-tournament acclaim for the fourth time this season. **DeDecker** paced the Gopher attack with 71 kills and a blistering .504 attack percentage. She also added 45 digs, five service aces and seven total blocks.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

PENN STATE—The #4 Lady Lions off to a 11-0 start to the 1996 season and are steadily climbing the national polls. Penn State was picked to finish second in the Big Ten in the coaches' preseason volleyball poll, but entering the conference season would have to be labeled as the team to beat early on. The Penn State roster is loaded with talent starting with the 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year **Terri Zemaitis**. **Zemaitis** leads the team offensively and defensively from her middle hitter position with 153 kills (.379 attack percentage) and 55 total blocks. All-Big Ten honorable mention performer **Angie Kammer**, a senior outside hitter, is second on the team with 73 kills. The offense is directed by setter **Bonnie Bremner**, who has 383 assists on the season.

Penn State head coach **Russ Rose**, is in his 18th season, sports a 566-114 (.832) record with the Lady Lions. The 1992 and 1993 Big Ten Coach of the Year guided his squad to Big Ten championships in the '92 and '93 seasons and to the Central Regional in last year's NCAA Tournament before they were defeated by eventual national champion Nebraska.

The Series—Penn State leads the series with Minnesota by a 10-2 margin. The Lady Lions have won four straight matches over the Gophers, including a pair of 3-0 victories last season.

OHIO STATE—The Buckeyes take their best-ever start at 11-0 into Friday's match at Wisconsin prior to Saturday's match with the Gophers. Ohio State was ranked #10 in last week's poll and look to move up after keeping its unblemished record intact heading into the Big Ten season. The heart of the Buckeye squad is senior setter **Jen Boleyn**. **Boleyn**, a two-time all-Big Ten selection, is averaging 13.06 assists per game in '96. Junior outside hitter **Vanessa Wouters**, a transfer from Southwest Missouri State, has made an immediate impact in her first season with the Buckeyes, topping the team with 194 kills. Senior middle blocker **Sherri Helman**, an honorable mention all-Big Ten pick a year ago, leads the team with a .386 hitting percentage.

Ohio State head coach **Jim Stone** is in his 15th season with the Buckeyes and owns a 324-138 (.701) record. During the **Stone** era, the Buckeyes have made seven consecutive trips to the NCAA Tournament and won Big Ten titles in 1989, 1991 and 1994. Like Penn State, Ohio State advanced to the Central Regional of the NCAA Tournament last season. The Buckeyes were eliminated by UCLA.

The Series—Ohio State owns a 22-14 advantage in series play with Minnesota. The Buckeyes have won the last four meetings including a 3-0 win in Columbus and a 3-1 victory in Minneapolis last season.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach **Dr. Mike Hebert** has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, **Hebert** led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Midwest Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 581-259 and a .692 winning percentage. While at Illinois, **Hebert** had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—**Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** enter their first seasons at Minnesota and third with **Mike Hebert**. **Batie** and **Ikeda** worked with **Hebert** for two seasons at Illinois.

BAYNES' STATUS QUESTIONABLE FOR THIS WEEK-END — Middle blocker **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MN/BELLE PLAINE)** is listed as questionable for the upcoming matches this weekend due to a lumbar spine injury. **Baynes** started Minnesota's first nine matches this season, and is second the squad in total blocks with 43. To say **Baynes'** season has been injury-ridden would be an understatement. **Baynes** was cleared to play just days before the Gophers' first match after missing five months with post-concussive syndrome suffered after she was hit in the face with a volleyball at the Wisconsin Invite last April. Sophomore **JILL McDONELL (BROOKLYN PARK, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** would replace **Baynes** in the starting lineup.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota returned from their final non-conference action before entering Big Ten play with a 4-0 record at the Boston College Eagle Classic. The Gophers downed Providence by scores of 15-7, 14-16, 15-1, 15-4 with the loss in the second game going down as Minnesota's last of the weekend. The Gophers swept their next three opponents; Dartmouth by scores of 15-10, 15-5, 15-5; Bucknell by scores of 15-11, 15-4, 15-7; and Boston College by scores of 15-13, 15-0, 15-2.

GOPHER SHUT OUT OPPONENT FOR FIRST TIME IN NINE SEASONS — The Gophers 15-0 shutout victory over Boston College in the second game of the three-game match was last accomplished in the 1987 season versus South Florida. For the record, that was 280 matches or 1,013 games ago.

PLAY IT AGAIN, DeDECKER NAMED ALL-TOURNAMENT — **Katrien DeDecker** added yet another all-tournament honor to her collection last weekend at the Boston College Eagle Classic. **DeDecker** has been named to the all-tournament squads in each of the four tournaments the Gophers have played this

season. Last weekend, she hit 71 kills and a .504 attack percentage to attract the attention of opposing defenses and coaches. She landed 25 kills against Providence and played to near perfection versus Bucknell hitting 16 kills in 20 attempts for a .650 attack percentage.

DeDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, DeDecker is only 307 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. She currently ranks third all-time with 1,833 kills. In the Providence match over the weekend, **DeDecker** moved into the top ten list in career digs and is now 10th with 843. She also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks and service aces. **DeDecker** is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

AMONG THE NATION'S BEST — **Katrien DeDecker's** 6.25 kills per game ranked second the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. Arizona State's **Terri Cox** tops the national statistics at 6.32 kills a game. Heading into last weekend, **DeDecker's** total of 33 kills against Montana State is the seventh-highest match kill total in the nation so far this season. Texas Christian's **Jill Pape** hit 37 winners versus SMU to lead the way. **DeDecker** checks in with 6.02 kills per game for this week's national statistics to be released Thursday.

FIAMENGO HITS .800 IN MATCH — Middle blocker **Tera Fiamengo** on average doesn't see a great number of sets come her way. Against Bucknell, she made the most of her opportunities hitting eight kills in ten attempts for a .800 attack percentage. That .800 attack percentage is not only the best in a match for the Gophers this season, it ties the best attack percentage performance in the Big Ten this season.

McDONELL SHINES WITH EXTENDED PLAYING TIME — The versatile play of **Jill McDonell** paid off in extended playing time last weekend. **McDonell**, able to play a variety of positions on the court, was called into action at middle blocker with the injury to **Tara Baynes**. **McDonell** responded with career highs in most statistical categories including kills (10 vs. Dartmouth), attack percentage (.500 vs. Providence), service aces (3 vs. Providence) and digs (8 vs. Providence and Dartmouth).

BIG TEN STATS & STUFF — **Katrien DeDecker** tops the Big Ten with 6.00 kills per game. She is also eighth in hitting percentage at .376 and 10th in service aces at 0.38 per game. **Becky Bauer** is second in assists (13.17 apg.), while **Tara Baynes** (1.34 tbpg.) and **Jane Passer** (1.13 tbpg.) rank fourth and seventh in total blocks per game. **Sarah Pearman** jumped into the digs list this week and is eighth at 3.25 digs a game. As a team, the Gophers are second in the Big Ten in hitting percentage (.294), third in kills per game (16.62) and fourth in assists per game (14.73) and team blocks per game (3.05).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	2-1
Road matches	2-1
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	7-1
In four-game matches	2-2
In five-game matches	0-1
Record winning the first game	8-1
Record winning first two games	7-0
Record losing first game	1-3
Record losing first two games	0-2
Record vs. ranked opponents	0-2

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 76 vs. Georgia Tech
Total Attempts — 216 vs. Georgia Tech
Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
Assists — 75 vs. Georgia Tech
Service Aces — 11 vs. Georgia Tech
Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
Blocks Assists — 24 vs. Georgia Tech
Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 33, Katrien DeDecker vs. Montana State
Attempts — 82, Katrien DeDecker vs. Georgia Tech
Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
Assists — 65, Becky Bauer vs. Georgia Tech
Service Aces — 4, Katrien DeDecker vs. Arkansas
Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
Block Assists — 6, Tara Baynes vs. Georgia Tech & Marshall

DeDECKER NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN

TEAM—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** was named to the preseason all-Big Ten team for the third time in her career. The 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year, **Terri Zemaitis** of Penn State, **Laura Abbinante** of Wisconsin and **Val Sterk** of Michigan State were all unanimous selections.

Preseason all-Big Ten Team—**Terri Zemaitis**, Penn State; **Laura Abbinante**, Wisconsin; **Val Sterk**, Michigan State; **Veronica Morales**, Michigan State; **Katrien DeDecker**, Minnesota; **Sherri Helman**, Ohio State; **Jen Boleyn**, Ohio State; **Jenna Wrobel**, Michigan State; **Kelly Scherr**, Illinois; **Dana Cooke**, Michigan State; **Julie Flatley**, Indiana; **Jennifer Webb**, Iowa; **Angie Kammer**, Penn State; **Amy Lee**, Wisconsin.

MINNESOTA PICKED TO PLACE EIGHTH—As a team, the Gophers were picked to finish eighth in the conference. Michigan State received the nod from the coaches as the favorites to win the conference championship with Penn State and Wisconsin not far behind the Spartans.

The Preseason Big Ten Volleyball Poll:

1. Michigan State (9)	118
2. Penn State (1)	108
3. Wisconsin (1)	101

4. Ohio State	87
5. Michigan	64
6. Indiana	58
7. Illinois	54
8. MINNESOTA	51
9. Purdue	42
10. Iowa	24
11. Northwestern	18

HAWAII TOPS AVCA/USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES POLL

— Penn State tops the list of Minnesota's nationally-ranked opponents at #4. Michigan State checks in at #9, while Ohio State entered the top 10 at #10 and Wisconsin improved to #13. Georgia Tech at #17, #23 San Diego State and #24 Washington all defeated the Gophers earlier this season. With the University of San Diego receiving points in last week's poll, each of the teams from the Gophers' four losses so far this season are represented in the Sept. 17 national poll.

Poll #2 — Sept. 17	Record	Points	LtWk
1. Hawaii (40)	10-0	1460	1
2. Stanford (13)	6-0	1430	2
3. Texas	5-1	1356	3
4. Penn State	8-0	1292	5
5. Florida	10-1	1195	7
6. Washington State	8-1	1143	6
7. Long Beach State	8-0	1093	9
8. Nebraska	6-2	1070	4
9. Michigan State	5-4	999	8
10. Ohio State	9-0	864	12
11. USC	5-1	825	13
12. Notre Dame	6-3	811	11
13. Wisconsin	7-0	801	14
14. UCLA	7-3	770	10
15. UC Santa Barbara	7-2	570	17
16. Loyola Marymount	8-1	548	20
17. Georgia Tech	14-0	481	19
18. Louisville	6-2	464	15
19. Pacific	6-2	426	16
20. Texas A&M	8-2	361	21
21. Colorado State	8-1	300	24
22. Oral Roberts	8-1	190	23
23. San Diego State	4-5	155	18
24. Washington	9-1	141	NR
25. Arizona	9-1	99	NR

Others receiving points: Pepperdine (84), George Mason (41), BYU (39), Texas Tech (34), Oregon State (33), Idaho (33), Colorado (20), Arizona State (13), Houston (10), North Carolina (8), Fresno State (6), Kansas State (4), San Diego (3), South Florida (2), Drake (1).

Dropping from the top 25 this week:

Pepperdine	5-2	22
BYU	1-4	25

UP NEXT — Minnesota takes to the road for its first Big Ten trip of the season, traveling to Iowa on Friday, Oct. 4. Coach **Mike Hebert** makes his return to Illinois the next night on Saturday, Oct. 5.

GOPHERS HOST ROY GRIAK INVITATIONAL

Minnesota will host the Roy Griak Invitational at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course on Saturday, Sept. 28. The women's race, at 12:50 p.m., features the top ranked teams in the nation in Providence, Villanova and Georgetown. The Maroon race, featuring Division II, III, NAIA, and JC schools, begins at 10:30 a.m. There will also be two men's races at 11:15 a.m. and 12 noon, featuring Wisconsin, Iowa State and Minnesota, as well as many Division II and III schools. For the third year in a row, there will also be a high school boys and girls meet at 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. respectively.

THE HISTORY—The Roy Griak Invitational, formerly called the Nike Invitational, is one of the largest cross country meets in the nation. This is the 12th year that Minnesota has hosted the meet. Last year, Providence won the meet with 65 points.

Kathy Butler of Wisconsin was the top overall finisher in a time of 16:47. Previous team winners were Oregon in 1994, and North Carolina State in 1993.

THE TEAMS—Over 30 Division I teams are competing in the Gold Race including: Adams State, Air Force, Alabama, Boston College, Coastal Carolina, Colgate, Colorado State, Connecticut, DePaul, Drake, Eastern Michigan, Georgetown, Illinois State, Iowa State, Kansas, Manitoba, Marquette, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Northern Arizona, Northern Iowa, Oregon, Penn State, Providence College, Purdue, South Carolina, UNC-Charlotte, UW-Milwaukee, Villanova, Virginia, Washington, Weber State, and Wyoming.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota, running without its top seven runners, tied for second place at the St. Olaf Invitational on Saturday in Northfield, Minn. St. Olaf was the team winner with 61 points, followed by Minnesota and Wisconsin-LaCrosse with 81 points each. Luther College and Macalaster tied for fourth with 108 each. **JANET HOWE (SIREN, WI)** led the way for the Gophers in a time of 19:37, good for eighth place.

DANIELLE GIUSTI (VICTOR, NY) was 12th in 20:06.

Turena Johnson of Luther College was the overall winner in 18:12.

Gopher Results: 8. Janet Howe, 19:37. 12. Danielle Guisti, 20:03. 13. Gillian Haro, 20:06. 20. Nikki Rassbach, 20:16. 28. Andrea Swansby, 20:30. 57. Gena Johnson, 21:02. 62. Renee Kalmbach, 21:08. 67. Beth Cordes, 21:10. 105. Laurie McGinley, 21:44. 118. Megan Amundson, 21:50. 141. Tiffany Barron, 22:06. 180. Anne Marie Marshall, 22:44.

THE SCHEDULE—Minnesota hosts the Roy Griak Invitational on Saturday. After that, the Gophers will go to Auburn and Iowa State before competing at the Big Ten Championships in Bloomington, Ind., November 2. The season continues with the District IV Championships on November 16, in Champaign, Ill., followed by the NCAA Championships on Monday, November 25, in Tucson, Ariz.

#10 MINNESOTA STAYS AT HOME FOR BIG TEN

PLAY-Minnesota will play its third and fourth Big Ten conference games at home this weekend. On Friday, Sept. 27, Minnesota will take on Northwestern at 4 p.m. and on Sunday, Sept. 29, Minnesota will face border rivals #17 Wisconsin. Both games will be played on the Saint Paul Campus Field located on the corner of Larpentuer and Cleveland in St. Paul.

ABOUT NORTHWESTERN- Northwestern is 4-2 on the season heading into the match-up against Minnesota. Northwestern had its first Big Ten match last Friday against Wisconsin. The Badgers defeated the Wildcats 3-0.

Northwestern is coached by **Marcia McDermott** who is 15-24-3 in her third season as head coach for the Wildcats

The Series- This will be the third meeting for the Gophers and the Wildcats. The Gophers lead the series 2-0 with the last meeting on October 26, 1996, where the Gophers won 4-0.

ABOUT #17 WISCONSIN-The Wisconsin Badgers head to Minnesota with a 6-2-1 overall record and 1-0-0 in the Big Ten. The Badgers played their first Big Ten match last week when they took on Northwestern. Wisconsin defeated Northwestern 3-0.

Wisconsin is coached by **Dean Duerst** who is 20-8-5 overall and 5-2-1 in the Big Ten in his third season as head coach for the Badgers

The Series- The Badgers and the Gophers have had their fair share of meetings. In the past three seasons, Minnesota and Wisconsin have met five times, three of which were last season two of which were in postseason play. Minnesota leads the series 3-2 with the last meeting November 11, 1996, in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. Minnesota lost 1-0.

THE GOPHER REWIND—MINNESOTA OPENS BIG TEN PLAY WITH A LOSS-Minnesota finished a split weekend hosting Wisconsin-Milwaukee at home before heading out to face Penn State on Sunday. Minnesota defeated Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 1-0, and took its second loss of the season in a 3-2 overtime game against Big Ten opponents Penn State. The Gophers are now 6-2 overall and 0-1 in the Big Ten.

AGAINST WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE- Minnesota went scoreless at home in the first half for the third time this season. Heading into the second half, junior **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN)** made the loan goal of the in the last 13 minutes. **McElmury** scored the goal off a corner kick from senior **ERIN HUSSEY (Lake Elmo, MN/North Saint Paul)**. The Gophers held on for the 1-0 victory.

AGAINST PENN STATE- This was the first Big Ten conference match of the season for both Minnesota and Penn State. Penn State pulled off the win 3-2 in overtime. Penn State was off and running in the first half of the game scoring the first two goals of the game. Minnesota answered the call by coming back in the second half to score the next two goals of the game. Frosh

NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/ CHAMPLIN PARK) made both goals for the Gophers. **Lee's** first goal came with a blast from eight yards out with 13 minutes left in the game. Eight minutes later, **Lee** answered the call against by making a goal off a corner cross pass from senior **Erin Hussey** to tie the game 2-2 and head into overtime. **Carole Dutchkia** tapped in the game winning goal of the game from four yards out ending the game, 3-2, Penn State.

INJURY UPDATE-Minnesota's backup goalie frosh **DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OH/DELAWARE)** is back after a dislocated thumb. **Larson** started and played the entire game in a 1-0 victory over Wisconsin-Milwaukee last Friday. **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL)** and **NOELLE PAPPENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/ BURNSVILLE)** are both out for the season with a torn ACL. Sophomore **JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLARD NORTH)** is out due to a stress fracture.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE-- **Sue Montagne** is in her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 45-17-8 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournaments.

ALL-AMERICAN McELMURY KEEPS UP THE PACE-- Second-team all-American junior **Jennifer McElmury** scored the one and only goal in a 1-0 victory over Wisconsin-Milwaukee. **McElmury** now leads the team in scoring with seven goals, and three assists for a total of 17 points this season.

FROSH NICOLE LEE STEPS IN TO MAKE THE PLAY- Frosh **Nicole Lee** has stepped in to fill the spot of injured senior **Jennifer Walek**. **Lee** has started the last four games and is second on the team in scoring with six goals and four assists for 16 points. **Lee** scored the both goals for Minnesota in a 3-2 loss in overtime.

ERIN HUSSEY BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK FOR SEPT. 4—Senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/ WAYZATA)** was named Big Ten Player of the Week for Sept. 4. **Hussey** scored a Minnesota record four goals and recorded two assists for a team record 10 points against Valparaiso.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE- Minnesota will practice Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 at Bierman. Thursday, the team will practice from 3:00 to 4:00 at the St. Paul Campus Field in preparation for this weekend's Big Ten matches.

UPCOMING MATCHES-The Golden Gophers will be at home to face the University of Minnesota-Duluth on Sunday, Oct. 6, at 1 p.m. The following weekend, the Gophers will head to Michigan where they will take on Michigan State on October 11, in East Lansing, MI and Michigan on October 13.



LADY BADGER INVITATIONAL NEXT FOR GO-

PHERS—The University of Minnesota women's golf team has its third tournament of the fall season, the Lady Badger Invitational, Sept. 28-29, in Madison, Wis. The tournament is at the University Ridge Golf Course, a par-72 course that plays at 5,826 yards.

The two-day, 54-hole tournament features 36 holes on Saturday, Sept. 28, with the final round being played on Sunday. An 8 a.m. shotgun start will be held each day, with Saturday's second round starting 20 minutes after the first round concludes. The 10-team field consists of Eastern Michigan, Illinois, Iowa, Iowa State, Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Northern Illinois, Purdue and Wisconsin.

GOPHERS HOLD NUMEROUS LADY BADGER

RECORDS — This year's Lady Badger Invitational is the 15th edition since its inception in 1976. Minnesota has won the tournament six times, more than any other school. The Badgers are #2 in the win category, with three victories. Minnesota was first in 1976, 1977, 1978, 1984, 1985 and 1988, while finishing among the top three four others times. As a student-athlete, Minnesota head coach **Kathy Williams** won the Lady Badger more times than any other golfer, twice, with back-to-back wins in 1977 and 1978. Minnesota holds the record for the low 18-hole score (300 - 1985), low 36-hole score (610 - 1985) and low 54-hole score (910 - 1985). Minnesota has had seven individual medalists at the tournament, with former Gopher **Amy Schmiessing** winning the last Lady Badger in 1993 at 228.

GOLFERS EIGHTH AT LADY NORTHERN —The golf team finished in eighth place at the Lady Northern in East Lansing, Mich. The Gophers recorded rounds of 319, 311 and 323 to finish the 54-hole tournament at 953. Indiana was first at 914 and Ohio State second at 929.

The Gophers were led by senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVER FALLS, WI)** and junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)**, who tied one another for 21st at 239. **Klecker** had rounds of 89, 79 and 80 while **Dahle** had marks of 78, 78 and 83. Junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WI/PRAIRIE)** had rounds of 78, 79 and 83 to finish 24th at 240. Sophomore **MICHELLE BALLOU (CHASKA, MN)** tied for 31st with rounds of 84, 78 and 80 to finish at 242. Senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)** finished at 243, tied at 37th after scores of 84, 76 and 83, while senior **JENNY TRENDIA (OWATONNA, MN)** tied for 41st with scores of 83, 82 and 80 to finish at 245. Ohio State's **Amy Langhals** was first at 223 after winning a playoff against Indiana's **Jenny Gray** and **Julie Campbell** of Michigan State, who also finished regular play at 223.

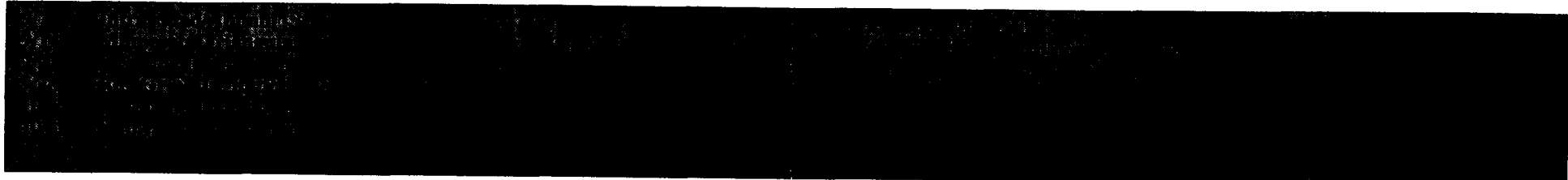
Minnesota at the Lady Northern Intercollegiate tournament, Forest Akers West Golf Course, East Lansing, Mich., 54-holes, par 72, 5,818 yards.

Final team standings (54-holes): 1. Indiana 305-309-300—914. 2. Ohio State 312-302-315—929. t-3. Purdue 313-307-301—938; Wisconsin 316-306-316—938; Northwestern 304-316-318—938. 6. Missouri 325-305-313—943. 7. Michigan State 315-307-323—945. 8. Minnesota 319-311-323—953. 9. Michigan 320-311-328—959. 10. Penn State 315-321-323—964. 11. Iowa 336-311-325—972. 12. Iowa State 326-323-335—984. 13. Northern Illinois 334-325-327—986. 14. Illinois State 335-329-327—991. 15. Illinois 338-336-338—1012.

Individual leaders: 1. (playoff winner) **Amy Langhals, OSU, 76-73-74—223.** t-2. **Jenny Gray, IND 74-76-73—223;** **Julie Campbell, MSU, 74-72-77—223.** 4. **Rheba Mabie, WIS 74-74-77—225.** 5. **Mary Vajgrt, IND 75-77-75—227.**

The Gophers: t-21. **Carolyn Klecker 80-79-80—239;** **Amy Dahle 78-78-83—239.** 24. **Keri Sawvell 78-79-83—240.** t-31. **Michelle Ballou 84-78-80—242.** t-37. **Cathy Lindblad 84-76-83—243.** t-41. **Jenny Trendia 83-82-80—245.**

1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results



	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (4,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)						
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)						
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)						
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st /1st)	DNC						
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)						
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC						
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)						
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC						
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC						
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC						
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)						
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC						
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)						
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)						
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC						
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC						
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)						
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC						
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)	21:44 (105th/9th)						
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC						
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)						
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)						
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC						
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC						

As of: Sept. 20, 1996
 Boston College
 13 Matches played
 9 Wins, 4 Losses

SID Report - Volleyball
 University of Minnesota

Positives

# Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1 Baker, B.	13	39	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	50
2 Fiamengo, T.	13	43	79	35	185	.238	23	0	0	6	1	15	57
3 Miller, M.	12	20	8	1	13	.538	52	0	0	3	0	3	17
4 McDonnell, J.	13	28	41	21	92	.217	1	0	0	5	2	12	40
6 Hebert, H.	12	20	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	1	0	0	16
7 Baynes, T.	9	32	61	27	141	.241	6	0	0	7	11	32	44
8 DeDecker, K.	13	45	271	57	560	.382	11	0	0	17	12	27	117
9 Passer, J.	13	45	127	39	260	.338	5	0	0	9	8	47	102
10 Pearman, S.	13	44	132	61	326	.218	12	1	****	9	4	20	147
13 Bauer, B.	12	41	31	13	81	.222	541	0	0	16	4	31	69
14 Shudlick, S.	9	22	0	0	2	.000	9	0	0	4	0	0	20
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS	13	45	750	255	1663	.298	663	1	****	83	42	187	679
TEAM BLOCKS:	135												

Negatives

Per Game Average

# Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1 Baker, B.	39	0	2	0	8	0.00	0.05	0.15	1.28	0.00	0.26
2 Fiamengo, T.	43	1	1	4	17	1.84	0.53	0.14	1.33	0.37	0.51
3 Miller, M.	20	0	0	1	6	0.40	2.60	0.15	0.85	0.15	0.35
4 McDonnell, J.	28	0	5	2	13	1.46	0.04	0.18	1.43	0.50	0.71
6 Hebert, H.	20	0	2	0	0	0.00	0.05	0.05	0.80	0.00	0.10
7 Baynes, T.	32	2	0	3	20	1.91	0.19	0.22	1.38	1.34	0.72
8 DeDecker, K.	45	1	17	3	30	6.02	0.24	0.38	2.60	0.87	1.11
9 Passer, J.	45	1	5	1	12	2.82	0.11	0.20	2.27	1.22	0.40
10 Pearman, S.	44	2	14	2	36	3.00	0.27	0.20	3.34	0.55	1.18
13 Bauer, B.	41	14	0	5	15	0.76	13.20	0.39	1.68	0.85	0.49
14 Shudlick, S.	22	0	0	0	6	0.00	0.41	0.18	0.91	0.00	0.27
0	0	0	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS	45	21	47	21	163	16.67	14.73	1.84	15.09	3.00	5.13

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Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15,12-15,15- 8,14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15,13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15- 4,15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15- 6,15-13,15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15,15- 6,15- 7,15- 2		
#19 Georgia Tech	Loss 2-3	9-13-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 14-16,15- 9,15- 8, 7-15,12-15		
Marshall	Win 3-0	September 14, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 3,15-12,15- 8		
Arkansas	Win 3-0	9-14-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15- 7,16-14,15- 9		
Providence	Win 3-1	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15- 7,14-16,15- 1,15- 4		
Dartmouth	Win 3-0	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-10,15- 5,15- 5		
Bucknell	Win 3-0	Sept. 21, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-11,15- 4,15- 7		
Boston College	Win 3-0	Sept. 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-13,15- 0,15- 2		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ---- Overall -- 9- 4
 Conference -- 0- 0

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erika Berghauer	1	0	0	0	0	0
Corinne Bolder	8	8	1	11	2	4
Sarah Connors	5	0	1	1	1	3
Michealene Denney	6	2	0	1	0	0
Rose Grimm	1	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	8	8	5	23	2	12
Allison Johnson	8	8	0	0	0	0
Megan Johnson	5	2	0	2	2	2
Amy Koehler	7	0	1	1	0	2
Erika Kruse	8	0	0	0	0	0
Nicole Lee	8	4	6	8	4	16
Jennifer McElmury	8	8	7	33	3	17
Dorcey Nelson	4	0	0	0	0	0
Jamie O'Gara	1	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Shea	8	8	0	3	1	1
Colleen Tirney	1	0	0	0	0	0
Vanessa Touset	8	8	0	7	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	2	12	1	5
Jamie Wyffels	8	8	0	0	0	0
Totals						

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	7	7	610	8	39	1.18	3	1
Dana Larson	2	1	110	0	5	0	1	1
Totals	7	7	540	3	29	1.18	4	2
Corner Kicks		Fouls		Penalty Kicks				
32		75		0				

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	7	16	0	0	23
Opponents	4	4	0	0	8

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent	W/L/T	Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		
Sept. 2	Butler University	W	3-1	2-0		
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		463
Sept. 14	#4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		423
Sept. 15	#14 Wahsington	W	2-1	5-1		1,059
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		1,912
Sept. 22	*Penn State	L	3-2(OT)	6-2		442

*Big Ten Conference match
 INCAA Tournament, Madison, Wis.

Overall Record: 6-2
 Home Record: 3-0
 Away Record: 3-2
 Neutral Record:
 Overtime Record:

Big Ten Record: NA
 Home Record:
 Away Record:

Goals for: 23
 Average:

Goals Against: 8
 Average:

Goals for, first half: 7
 Average:

Goals against, first half: 2
 Average:

Goals for, second half: 14
 Average:

Goals against, second half: 3
 Average:

Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, overtime: 0

Total Attendance: 4302
 Average:

Home Attendance:

Away Attendance: 2971

Average:

Average:

Neutral Attendance:

Average:



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September 30, 1996

Catch what you've been missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Friday, October 4
VB at Iowa 7 p.m.
(Iowa City, IA)
- Saturday, October 5
VB at Illinois 7 p.m.
(Champaign, Ill.)
- Sunday, October 6
SC hosts Minnesota-Duluth 1 p.m.
GF at Huskie Classic
(DeKalb, IL)
- Monday, October 7
GF at Huskie Classic All Day
(DeKalb, IL)

Gullingsrud Named Big Ten CC Athlete of Month

Minnesota sophomore ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW/PURDUE) was named Big Ten Cross Country Athlete of the Month today by the conference office. In her first race as a Gopher, Gullingsrud ran the fastest time ever by a Minnesota runner on the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course in finishing first at the Minnesota Triangular against nationally-ranked Arkansas and Drake. Gullingsrud's time of 17:24 was the 24th fastest time ever run in Minnesota history.

Two weeks later at the prestigious Roy Griak Invitational, Gullingsrud placed fifth among the nation's best runners as 12 of the top 25 teams, including #1 ranked Providence, were in the meet. Gullingsrud shattered her own Minnesota record on the Les Bolstad Course with a time of 16:50. It was the third fastest time run by a Minnesota runner in the history of the program and the fastest time ever posted by a sophomore runner in Gopher history.

Soccer

#13 MINNESOTA TAKES ON MINNESOTA-DULUTH SUNDAY-Minnesota, 7-3 overall and 1-2 in the Big Ten, plays its sixth home game of the season Sunday, Oct. 6, at 1 p.m. against Minnesota-Duluth at the Saint Paul Campus Field.

ABOUT MINNESOTA-DULUTH- Minnesota-Duluth heads down south this weekend with a 6-4 record on the season. UMD is lead by junior Erika Ludwig, who was the teams leading scorer in '95 with 15 goals and 10 assist for a total of 40 points. In 1995 the Bulldogs finished 13-4-1 overall and will begin play in the NSIC (Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference) this season.

Minnesota-Duluth is coached by Greg Cane, who is 20-12-1 in his third season as head coach for the Bulldogs.

The Series- This will be the second meeting for the Gophers and the Bulldogs. Minnesota leads the series 1-0 with the Gophers winning 9-0 last season.

THE GOPHER REWIND—MINNESOTA GOES 1-1, PLAYS IN FRONT OF RECORD BREAKING CROWD- Minnesota finished its second and third Big Ten matches of the season over the weekend at the Saint Paul Campus Field against Northwestern and #18 Wisconsin. The Gophers defeated Northwestern on Friday, 1-0, and lost 3-1 loss to #18 Wisconsin on Sunday in front of a record-breaking crowd of 1,427 fans.

AGAINST NORTHWESTERN- Minnesota and the Wildcats went head to head throughout the entire game but Minnesota snatched a 1-0 victory. In the first half, Minnesota posted several shots on goal but were unsuccessful in placing the ball in the net as the Wildcat keeper saved all eight of Minnesota's opportunities. Northwestern faced the same fate as they were held to only one shot on goal by Minnesota's defense. The second half proved to be turning point for Minnesota. Senior ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA) blasted the ball into the net off of a pass from frosh NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK) in the 77th minute of the game. Northwestern was unable to match the goal in the remaining time if the game and Minnesota captured its seventh win of the season, 1-0.

AGAINST WISCONSIN- The border battle heated up on Sunday as Minnesota and Wisconsin faced each other for the first time this season in front of a record-breaking crowd of 1,427. Wisconsin scored the first goal of the game within the first two minutes. Senior **Heather Maier** registered the first of three goals for Wisconsin with a pass from senior **Jill Stewart**. Minnesota was unable to answer the call in the first half ending the first period 1-0 in favor of the Badgers. The second half of the game looked to tell a different story for Minnesota as senior **MIKKI DENNEY (OMAHA, NE/MARIAN/N. CAROLINA)** posted the first goal for Minnesota at 48:25 off of a pass from frosh **MEGAN JOHNSON (ROSEMOUNT, MN/ROSEMOUNT)**. It did not take Wisconsin long to jump back ahead as **Maier** scored her second goal of the game sending Wisconsin up 2-1. The score of the game changed again seven minutes later as junior **Cathy Strey** of Wisconsin knocked the ball in the net putting Wisconsin up 3-1.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE-- Sue Montagne is in her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 46-18-6 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

MINNESOTA HURTING ON OFFENSE--With the loss of 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL)** to ACL surgery, the Gophers are struggling to score. The Gophers have averaged only 2.4 goals a game this season and have scored over three goals only once, a 10-0 victory over Valparaiso. Since **Walek's** injury, Minnesota has averaged only 1.3 goals a game, while giving up 1.67 a game and has a 3-3 record.

INJURY REPORT--**Jennifer Walek** and **NOELLE PAPHENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/BURNSVILLE)** are both out for the season with ACL injuries. **JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLIARD NORTH)** is back after missing three weeks due to a stress fracture.

GOALIE SHUFFLE--Minnesota is playing two keepers at the present time. **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)** started the season in goal and has seen action in 10 games giving up eight goals, but newcomer **DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OH/DELAWARE)** has been seeing more action lately. **Larson** started against Northwestern and Wisconsin-Milwaukee and played the second half against Wisconsin relieving **O'Hearn** after halftime. **Larson** has given up two goals and has a goals against average of 0.90, while **O'Hearn's** GAA is 1.03.

ERIN HUSSEY POSTS HER SIXTH GOAL OF THE SEASON- Erin Hussey scored her sixth goal of the season posting Minnesota's loan goal in a 1-0 victory against Northwestern. Hussey is tied with frosh **Nicole Lee** for second on the team in scoring with six goals and two assists for 14 points.

JENNIFER McELMURY CONTINUES TO LEAD THE TEAM-Junior **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE)** continues to lead the Gophers this season in scoring with seven goals and three assists for 17 points. **McElmury** was a second-team all-American selection last season, the first player in Minnesota history to receive such an honor.

RECORD BREAKING CROWDS ATTEND MINNESOTA/WISCONSIN MATCH- The weather and the rivalry with Wisconsin contributed to the record breaking crowd of 1,427 at Sunday's match against Wisconsin. The crowd was the largest crowd ever to attend a home soccer match in the four years of the program and was just 25 fans short of doubling the previous record of 726 set last season against Indiana.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE- Minnesota soccer switches to afternoon practices this week. The Gophers will be at Bierman Tuesday through Thursday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and play an intersquad match at the Saint Paul Campus Field on Friday at 3 p.m.

UPCOMING MATCHES-Minnesota heads to Michigan where it faces two Big Ten opponents #24 Michigan and Michigan State. On Friday, Oct. 11, Minnesota will be in East Lansing, Mich., for a 3 p.m. match with Michigan State. On Sunday, Oct. 13, Minnesota will be in Ann Arbor, Mich., for a 2 p.m. match with #24 Michigan.

Volleyball

SPIKERS TRAVELS TO IOWA AND ILLINOIS FOR FIRST BIG TEN ROAD MATCHES OF SEASON — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 10-5 overall and 1-1 in the Big Ten, takes to the road for the first time in the 1996 Big Ten season traveling to Iowa on Friday, Oct. 4 and Illinois on Saturday, Oct. 5.

HEBERT RETURNS TO ILLINOIS FOR THE FIRST TIME AS A GOPHER — The match against Illinois marks the first return of former Illinois head coach **Mike Hebert** to Champaign as the head coach of the Minnesota Gophers. During his 13 years in Champaign, Hebert led Illinois to four Big Ten titles and NCAA Tournament berths in each of his last 11 seasons. Last December, Hebert left Illinois to become the sixth head coach in the history of Minnesota volleyball.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— The maroon and gold is led by senior **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. DeDecker is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is 265 kills away from **Andrea Gonzalez'** record. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MN/BELLE PLAINE)** and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

IOWA—The Iowa Hawkeyes are 6-7 overall and 1-1 in the Big Ten heading into its third straight home Big Ten match. Iowa opened its Big Ten season with a 3-0 loss to Illinois and a 3-2 win over Michigan. The Hawkeyes have struggled offensively in '96 and own a .204 attack percentage as a result. **Jennifer Webb**, an all-Big Ten honorable mention pick a year ago, tops the Hawkeye squad with 246 kills and a .258 hitting percentage. Webb is coming off an impressive 29-kill performance against Michigan. Setter **Barb Zvonek** was credited with 70 assists

versus Michigan and has a total of 541 on the season.

Iowa head coach **Dr. Linda Schoenstedt** is in her sixth season with the Hawkeyes and sports a 71-104 (.405) record. Schoenstedt was named the Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1994 after leading the Hawkeyes to only the second NCAA Tournament appearance in Iowa history.

The Series—Minnesota owns a commanding 36-12 lead in series play with Iowa. The teams split in action last season, each winning on their home court. The Hawkeyes defeated the Gophers in Iowa City, 3-1, by game scores of 7-15, 15-11, 15-4, 15-10. Minnesota gained revenge in Minneapolis handing Iowa a 3-1 defeat by scores of 10-15, 15-5, 15-12, 15-13 in the final match of the '95 season.

ILLINOIS—Illinois is 7-3 overall and takes its 2-0 Big Ten mark into Friday's match versus Wisconsin prior to Saturday's match with the Gophers. Illinois defeated Iowa, 3-0, and Michigan, 3-2, in its opening week of Big Ten play. The orange and blue feature a trio of dangerous outside hitters in **Mary Coleman**, **Tracey Marshall** and **Paula Prentice**. Coleman led Illinois to the win over Michigan with 26 kills and has a team-high 441 on the season. Marshall landed 23 kills in her last outing and has 367 in '96. Prentice, the Big Ten's top first-year player in attack percentage a year ago, has improved her percentage from .306 in '95 to .350 with 220 kills this season. The setting duties are shared between **Melissa Beitz** and **Heidi Coulter**.

Illinois head coach **Don Hardin** is in his first season with Illinois after spending eight seasons at Louisville, where he compiled a 182-74 (.711) record. Hardin led the Cardinals to six NCAA Tournament appearances and six conference championships, including the first-ever Conference USA title in 1995.

The Series—Illinois has owned Minnesota in recent years and owns a 27-8-1 advantage in series play. Illinois won matches by scores of 3-0 and 3-2 in 1995 to extend its winning streak over the Gophers to 12 matches. Minnesota defeated Illinois twice in 1989, marking the last time the Gophers tasted victory over Illinois.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach **Dr. Mike Hebert** has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 582-260 and a .691 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—**Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** enter their first seasons at Minnesota and third with **Mike Hebert**. Batie and Ikeda worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota split in the opening weekend of Big Ten play losing 3-0 to #2 Penn State then defeating #8 Ohio State, 3-0, to set its record at 10-5 overall and 1-1 in the Big Ten. **THE PENN STATE MATCH:** Minnesota gave #2 ranked Penn State a run for its money but came up short in dropping a three-game match to the Lady Lions by scores of 15-11, 15-3, 15-12. The Gophers led early in the first game taking a 10-4 lead behind five kills by **Katrien DeDecker** but an experienced Penn State squad regrouped, allowed the Gophers just one more point in the game, and eventually captured the victory. Game two was all Penn State as the Lions outhit the Gophers by a 15-5 kill margin. Minnesota battled but was unable to avoid the sweep losing the deciding game 15-12. **THE OHIO STATE MATCH:** The Gophers grabbed their first victory over a nationally-ranked opponent in style sweeping #8 Ohio State by scores of 15-12, 15-13, 15-11. Minnesota's passing game clicked as the Buckeyes tallied just one service ace in the match. Meanwhile, the Ohio State offense was hampered by hitting errors which allowed them to hit .173 for the match compared to .240 for the Gophers. **Katrien DeDecker** gathered 25 kills to the lead the way, while **Becky Bauer** contributed 37 assists and **Sarah Pearman** added 4 digs.

DeDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, **DeDecker** is only 265 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. She currently ranks third all-time with 1,875 kills, 22 kills from surpassing **Chris Schaefer's** second-place total of 1,896 kills. **DeDecker** has moved into the top ten list in career digs as well and is currently 10th with 859. She also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks and service aces. **DeDecker** is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN —**Katrien DeDecker** is moving up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. **DeDecker's** 25 kills against Ohio State in her last outing was the ninth time this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match.

BAYNES RETURNS TO GOPHER LINEUP — Middle blocker **Tara Baynes** returned to the Gophers' starting lineup against Ohio State after missing five starts with a back injury. **Baynes** did see limited action in the Penn State match and contributed a total of eight kills, three service aces, three blocks and 11 digs in action in four games last weekend. She is currently second on the Gopher squad with 53 total blocks.

AMONG THE NATION'S BEST — **Katrien DeDecker's** 6.02 kills per game ranked second the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. Arizona State's **Terri Cox** topped the national statistics at 6.15 kills a game. **DeDecker** checks in with 6.14 kills per game for this week's national statistics released Thursday.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — **Becky Bauer** was also listed among the national statistics ranked 15th in assists per game at 13.17. As a team, Minnesota ranked ninth in attack percentage (.294), 15th in assists per game (14.73 and 17th in kills per game (16.62).

BIG TEN STATS & STUFF — **Katrien DeDecker** tops the Big Ten with 6.14 kills per game. She is also fifth in hitting percentage at .368 and ninth in service aces at 0.37 per game. **Becky Bauer** is fifth in assists (13.13 avg.), and **Sarah Pearman** is sixth in digs (3.42 dpg.), while **Tara Baynes** (1.28 tbpg.) and **Jane Passer** (1.16 tbpg.) rank sixth and eighth in total blocks per game. As a team, the Gophers are second in the Big Ten in hitting percentage (.285), third in assists per game (15.02) fourth in kills per game (16.04) and team blocks per game (2.83).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	3-2
Road matches	2-1
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	8-2
In four-game matches	2-2
In five-game matches	0-1
Record winning the first game	9-1
Record winning first two games	8-0
Record losing first game	1-4
Record losing first two games	0-3
Record vs. ranked opponents	1-3

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 76 vs. Georgia Tech
Total Attempts — 216 vs. Georgia Tech
Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
Assists — 75 vs. Georgia Tech
Service Aces — 11 vs. Georgia Tech
Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
Blocks Assists — 24 vs. Georgia Tech
Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 33, Katrien DeDecker vs. Montana State
Attempts — 82, Katrien DeDecker vs. Georgia Tech
Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
Assists — 65, Becky Bauer vs. Georgia Tech
Service Aces — 4, Katrien DeDecker vs. Arkansas
Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
Block Assists — 6, Tara Baynes vs. Georgia Tech & Marshall

DeDECKER NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN

TEAM—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** was named to the preseason all-Big Ten team for the third time in her career. **Preseason all-Big Ten Team**—**Terri Zemaitis**, Penn State; **Laura Abbinante**, Wisconsin; **Val Sterk**, Michigan State; **Veronica Morales**, Michigan State; **Katrien DeDecker**, Minnesota; **Sherri Helman**, Ohio State; **Jen Boleyn**, Ohio State; **Jenna Wrobel**, Michigan State; **Kelly Scherr**, Illinois; **Dana Cooke**, Michigan

State; Julie Flatly, Indiana; Jennifer Webb, Iowa; Angie Kammer, Penn State; Amy Lee, Wisconsin.

MINNESOTA PICKED TO PLACE EIGHTH—As a team, the Gophers were picked to finish eighth in the conference. Michigan State received the nod from the coaches as the favorites to win the conference championship with Penn State and Wisconsin not far behind the Spartans.

The Preseason Big Ten Volleyball Poll:

1. Michigan State (9)	118
2. Penn State (1)	108
3. Wisconsin (1)	101
4. Ohio State	87
5. Michigan	64
6. Indiana	58
7. Illinois	54
8. MINNESOTA	51
9. Purdue	42
10. Iowa	24
11. Northwestern	18

HAWAII KEEPS ITS STRONGHOLD ON #1 IN AVCA/ USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES POLL— Penn State tops the list of Minnesota's nationally-ranked opponents at #2 in last week's AVCA/USA Today poll. Ohio State and Michigan State are also in the top 10 at #8 and #9, respectively, while Wisconsin is knocking on the door at #11. All five teams which accounted for Minnesota losses this season are represented in the Sept. 24 poll. In addition to Penn State at #2, Washington checks in at #18, Georgia Tech at #21 and San Diego State and San Diego both received points. Montana State, a team which the Gophers defeated 3-0 earlier this season received its first mention in the poll this season.

Poll #3 — Sept. 24	Record	Points	LtWk
1. Hawaii (59)	12-0	1475	1
2. Penn State	11-0	1376	4
3. Florida	13-1	1357	5
4. Stanford	8-1	1271	2
3. Texas	6-2	1245	3
6. Long Beach State	11-0	1198	7
7. Nebraska	8-2	1097	8
8. Ohio State	11-0	998	10
9. Michigan State	6-4	949	9
10. Washington State	9-2	896	6
11. Wisconsin	10-0	879	13
12. Notre Dame	8-3	795	12
13. UCLA	9-3	770	14
14. Loyola Marymount	10-1	691	16
15. USC	7-2	641	11
16. UC Santa Barbara	8-3	533	15
17. Pacific	7-3	494	19
18. Washington	10-1	452	24
19. Louisville	7-2	423	18
20. Texas A&M	9-2	353	20
21. Georgia Tech	16-1	292	17
22. Oral Roberts	11-1	230	22
23. Oregon State	11-1	179	NR
24. Colorado State	9-3	143	21
25. Texas Tech	13-0	114	NR

Others recovering points: Arizona (84), San Diego State (78), George Mason (70), Kansas State (42), Pepperdine (13), Idaho (12), Arizona State (8), BYU (7), North Carolina (4), San Diego (4), Montana State (1), Auburn (1).



GOPHERS ONE OF 15 TEAMS AT 12TH ANNUAL HUSKIE CLASSIC—The University of Minnesota women's golf team makes its debut at the Huskie Classic, Oct. 6-7, as it travels to Dekalb, Ill., for the 12th Annual Huskie Classic, hosted by Northern Illinois University. This marks the first time the Gophers have competed in the Huskie Classic. The Sunday-Monday tournament is 36 holes and will be played at the par 72, 5,912-yard Oak Club of Genoa in Genoa, Ill. This year's 15-team field consists of Bowling Green, Bradley, Dayton, Grand Valley, Illinois State, Lewis, Loyola, Michigan State, Minnesota, Missouri-Kansas City, Northeastern Illinois, Northern Illinois, Northern Iowa, Truman State and Wayne State. Sunday's competition starts with golfers teeing up from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and a 9 a.m. shotgun start on Monday.

GOPHERS WIN BY 19 AT THE LADY BADGER INVITATIONAL— The Minnesota women's golf team won its seventh team title in the 15-event history of the Lady Badger Invitational in Madison, Wis., last weekend winning by 19 strokes. The Gophers finished first at 938 after a rounds of 312, 321 and 305, well ahead of second-place Purdue at 957 (317-326-314) and third-place Michigan at 961 (325-318-318). Minnesota also won the Lady Badger in 1976, 1977, 1978, 1984, 1985 and 1988, and has finished among the top three teams 11 times since the tournament's inception in 1976.

Minnesota was led by senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVER FALLS, WI)** with rounds of 80, 79 and 73 to tie for second at 232. Klecker's third round one-over par 73 was the low round of the tournament and ties the Lady Badger record for low third-round score. Junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE, MN/LAFAYETTE)** and senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)** tied for fifth at 234 after Dahle had rounds of 77, 81 and 76 while Lindblad had scores of 78, 81 and 75. Sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** tied for 16th after rounds of 77, 80 and 85 to finish at 242, while junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE DU CHEIN, WI/PRAIRIE)** tied for 30th at 248 after marks of 86, 81 and 81. Michigan's **Sharon Park** was the individual medalist at a 12-over par 228.

Cross Country

GOPHER REWIND—ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) finished in fifth place at the Roy Griak Invitational at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course last Saturday. Gullingsrud's time of 16:50 was the fastest time ever by a Minnesota sophomore and the third-fastest Gopher time in the history of the program. Junior **KARI THOMPSON** (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON) finished 39th in a career-best 17:57. Minnesota finished in 10th place with 272 points. Providence, with 41 points, was the team winner for the second year in a row. **Maria McCambridge** of Providence was the overall winner in a course-record 16:35. In the maroon race, featuring Division II and III runners, **BETH CORDES** (APPLE VALLEY, MN/ROSEMOUNT) led the Gophers junior varsity squad, which finished 23rd with 650 points.

Gopher results (Gold): 4. Anna Gullingsrud, 16:50. 39. Kari Thompson, 17:57. 59. Minna Haronoja, 18:12. 73. Karen Kleindl, 18:20. 97. Julie Golla, 18:37. 99. Amy Hoel, 18:39. 103. Bridget Neutgens, 18:42. Heidi Johnson, 18:47. Gillian Haro, 18:51. Andrea Lentz, 18:51. Danielle Giusti, 19:03. Keri Zweig, 19:05. Andrea Swansby, 19:23. Nikki Rassbach, 19:42. Renee Kalmbach, 19:51.

Gopher results (Maroon): 86. Beth Cordes, 19:46. 128. Glenalyn Johnson, 20:19. 135. Laurie McGinley, 20:22. 149. Megan Amundson, 20:31. 152. Tiffany Barron, 20:35. 168. Anne Marshall, 20:48.

GRIAK INDIVIDUAL WINNERS

Women's Gold: Maria McCambridge, Providence, 16:35 (course record)
Men's Gold: Jonah Kiptarus, Nebraska, 23:57 (course record)
Women's Maroon: Turena Johnson, Luther, 17:16
Men's Maroon: Joey Keillor, Mankato State, 25:01
High school girls: Victoria Moses, Irondale, 18:12
High school boys: Nic Matak, Duluth East, 15:12

GRIAK TEAM WINNERS

Women's Gold: Providence, 41 points
Men's Gold: Wisconsin, 79 points
Women's Maroon: North Dakota, 85 points
Men's Maroon: South Dakota State, 64 points
High school girls: Duluth East, 55 points
High school boys: White Bear Lake, 94 points

AMAZING ANNA--In the two races Anna Gullingsrud has competed in, she has broken the Minnesota record on the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. At the Minnesota Triangular, Gullingsrud won the race in a time of 17:24, breaking the old record of 17:33 set by Lori Townsend in 1995. Then at the Roy Griak Invitational, Gullingsrud shattered her own record set two weeks ago with a time of 16:50, 36 seconds faster than the previous record. Her time of 16:50 is the third fastest time in Minnesota history on any course. Gullingsrud has a legitimate

shot at breaking the Minnesota varsity record of 16:32.60 set by Jodi Eder at the University of Illinois in 1984.

IT WAS A BIG MEET FOR ALL--Junior Kari Thompson also shattered her personal bests at the Roy Griak Invitational by finishing the race in 17:57. Her previous career-best was 18:55.1 set at the Big Ten Championships at the Les Bolstad Course in 1995. Newcomer **MINNA HAROJONA** (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA SECONDARY SCHOOL) shaved nine seconds off her career-best time. **KAREN KLEINDL** (GRACEVILLE, MN/GRACEVILLE-CLINTON) improved her career-best by 26 seconds at 18:20, while **JULIE GOLLA** (ROCHESTER, MN/MARSHALL) finished in 18:37, an 11-second improvement. **AMY HOEL** (CORNELL, WI/CORNELL) improved her career-best by almost a minute finishing in 18:39 and **BRIDGET NEUTGENS** (OLIVIA, MN/OLIVIA) shaved over 35 seconds off her previous best.

FINISHLYNX NCAA Division I Women's Cross Country National Poll September 30, 1996

1.	Providence (8)	200
2.	Colorado	191
3.	Stanford	178
4.	Georgetown	170
5.	Brigham Young	163
6.	Wisconsin	160
7.	Boston College	152
8.	Villanova	150
9.	Michigan	140
10.	North Carolina State	129
11.	Arizona	111
12.	Weber State	104
13.	Arkansas	101
14.	Missouri	95
15.	Dartmouth	94
16.	Penn State	82
17.	North Carolina	78
18.	Oregon	65
19.	Northern Arizona	50
20.	Florida	34
	Kansas State	34
22.	Notre Dame	31
23.	Colorado State	19
24.	UCLA	18
	William & Mary	18

Others receiving votes: Baylor 14, Coastal Carolina 7, Utah 4, Texas-El Paso 3, Washington 2, Wake Forest 2, Michigan State 1.

UP NEXT--Minnesota has the weekend off before traveling to Auburn, Ala., on Oct. 12, for the Auburn Invitational. Minnesota will take its top seven runners to a race that will once again include the nation's elite programs.

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erika Berghauer	1	0	0	0	0	0
Corinne Bolder	10	10	1	12	2	4
Sarah Connors	5	0	1	1	1	3
Michealene Denney	10	10	1	2	0	2
Rose Grimm	1	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	10	10	6	26	2	14
Allison Johnson	10	10	0	1	0	0
Megan Johnson	7	4	0	7	2	2
Amy Koehler	7	0	1	1	0	2
Erika Kruse	8	0	0	0	0	0
Nicole Lee	10	6	6	12	5	17
Jennifer McElmury	10	10	7	39	3	17
Dorcey Nelson	5	0	0	0	0	0
Jamie O'Gara	3	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly Shea	10	10	0	4	1	1
Colleen Tirney	1	0	0	0	0	0
Vanessa Touset	10	10	0	8	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	2	12	1	5
Jamie Wyffels	10	10	0	1	0	0
Totals						

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	10	10	700	8	45	1.03	3	1
Dana Larson	3	2	200	2	9	0.9	1	1
Totals	13	12	900	10	54	1.93	4	2
Corner Kicks		Fouls		Penalty Kicks				
39		56		0				

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	7	18	0	0	25
Opponents	5	6	0	0	11

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent	W/L/T	Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		
Sept. 2	Butler University	W	3-1	2-0		
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	#4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	#14 Wahsington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*Penn State	L	3-2(OT)	6-2		
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W	1-0	7-2		442
Sept. 28	*Wisconsin	L	3-1	7-3		1,427

*Big Ten Conference match
!NCAA Tournament, Madison, Wis.

Overall Record: 7-3
Home Record: 4-1
Away Record: 3-2
Neutral Record:
Overtime Record:

Big Ten Record: NA
Home Record:
Away Record:

Goals for: 25
Average:

Goals Against: 11
Average:

Goals for, first half: 5
Average:
Goals for, second half: 20
Average:
Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 5
Average:
Goals against, second half: 6
Average:
Goals against, overtime: 0

Total Attendance: 6171
Average:
Home Attendance:
 Away Attendance: 2971
Average:
Neutral Attendance:
Average:

Average:

As of: September 28, 1996
 #8 Ohio State
 15 Matches played
 10 Wins, 5 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	15	44	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	58
2	Fiamengo, T.	15	49	93	40	219	.242	28	0	0	6	1	18	67
3	Miller, M.	14	24	8	1	14	.500	61	0	0	3	0	3	18
4	McDonnell, J.	15	32	44	23	102	.206	2	0	0	5	2	13	51
6	Hebert, H.	14	23	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	1	0	0	17
7	Baynes, T.	11	36	69	29	165	.242	8	0	0	10	11	35	55
8	DeDecker, K.	15	51	313	68	666	.368	15	0	0	19	13	30	133
9	Passer, J.	15	51	145	45	304	.329	7	0	0	11	9	54	121
10	Pearman, S.	15	50	147	78	387	.178	15	1	****	9	4	24	175
13	Bauer, B.	14	47	42	15	105	.257	618	0	0	16	4	32	78
14	Shudlick, S.	11	27	0	0	2	.000	9	0	0	4	0	0	25
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		15	51	861	300	1967	.285	766	1	****	90	44	209	798
TEAM BLOCKS:		148												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	44	0	2	0	8	0.00	0.05	0.14	1.32	0.00	0.23
2	Fiamengo, T.	49	1	1	5	17	1.90	0.57	0.12	1.37	0.39	0.47
3	Miller, M.	24	0	0	1	7	0.33	2.54	0.13	0.75	0.13	0.33
4	McDonnell, J.	32	0	5	2	13	1.38	0.06	0.16	1.59	0.47	0.63
6	Hebert, H.	23	0	2	0	0	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.74	0.00	0.09
7	Baynes, T.	36	2	0	3	22	1.92	0.22	0.28	1.53	1.28	0.69
8	DeDecker, K.	51	1	17	3	37	6.14	0.29	0.37	2.61	0.84	1.12
9	Passer, J.	51	1	5	2	16	2.84	0.14	0.22	2.37	1.24	0.45
10	Pearman, S.	50	2	16	2	38	2.94	0.30	0.18	3.50	0.56	1.12
13	Bauer, B.	47	16	0	6	16	0.89	13.15	0.34	1.66	0.77	0.47
14	Shudlick, S.	27	0	0	0	8	0.00	0.33	0.15	0.93	0.00	0.30
0		0	0	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		51	23	49	24	182	16.88	15.02	1.76	15.65	2.90	5.00

University of Minnesota - 1996
Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15, 12-15, 15- 8, 14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15, 13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8, 15- 4, 15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15- 6, 15-13, 15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15, 15- 6, 15- 7, 15- 2		
#19 Georgia Tech	Loss 2-3	9-13-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 14-16, 15- 9, 15- 8, 7-15, 12-15		
Marshall	Win 3-0	September 14, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 3, 15-12, 15- 8		
Arkansas	Win 3-0	9-14-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15- 7, 16-14, 15- 9		
Providence	Win 3-1	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15- 7, 14-16, 15- 1, 15- 4		
Dartmouth	Win 3-0	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-10, 15- 5, 15- 5		
Bucknell	Win 3-0	Sept. 21, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-11, 15- 4, 15- 7		
Boston College	Win 3-0	Sept. 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-13, 15- 0, 15- 2		
* #2 Penn State	Loss 0-3	September 27, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 11-15, 3-15, 12-15		
* #8 Ohio State	Win 3-0	September 28, 1996	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15-12, 15-13, 15-11		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ---- Overall -- 10- 5
Conference -- 1- 1

University of Minnesota Women's Golf 1996-97 Player by Player Summary

Player	Tourn- aments	Rounds/ Counted	Strokes	Avg	Best Rounds			Under			Top 5 Finishes	Top 10 Finishes	Top 20 Finishes	
					18	36*	54	72	Par	Par				Wins
Michelle Ballou	2	5/4	402	80.40	78	160	242		0	0	0	0	0	1
Donna Boom	1	2/0	165	82.50	80	165			0	0	0	0	0	0
Amy Dahle	3	8/7	629	78.63	76	156	234		0	0	0	1	2	2
Glenna Gilbert	1	2/0	171	85.50	84	171			0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolyn Klecker	3	8/7	623	77.88	73	152	239		0	0	0	2	2	2
Melanie Lepp	2	5/2	405	81.00	77	163	242		0	0	0	0	0	1
Cathy Lindblad	3	8/4	640	80.00	75	163	243		0	0	0	1	1	1
Emily Norby	0													
Marcy Savage	1	2/0	164	82.00	82	164			0	0	0	0	0	0
Keri Sawvell	3	8/6	639	79.88	75	151	248		0	0	0	1	1	1
Jenny Trendera	2	5/2	404	80.80	79	159	245		0	0	0	0	0	1
Kristi Weichert	1	2/0	164	82.00	78	164			0	0	0	0	0	0

*Low 36-hole tournament score

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Fall Statistics

					Fall				
		Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Total	Place	Str	Rds	Avg
9/14-15/96	Minnesota Invite	312	307		619	2nd/15 teams	619	2	309.50
9/20-22/96	Lady Northern	319	311	323	953	8th/15 teams	1572	5	314.40
9/28-29/96	Lady Badger	312	321	305	938	1st/11 teams	2510	8	313.75
10/5-6/96	Huskie Classic								
10/12-13/96	Northwestern Invite								
10/12/96	Gopher Classic								

	Minnesota Invite (74)			Lady Northern (74)				Lady Badger (72)				Huskie Classic (72)			Northwestern Invite		
	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3 Tot.
Michelle Ballou	81	79	160	t-19th	84	78	80	242	t-31st								
Donna Boom	85	80	165	t-35th													
Amy Dahle	80	76	156	t-9th	78	78	83	239	t-21st	77	81	76	234	t-5th			
Glenna Gilbert	87	84	171	t-60th													
Carolyn Klecker	75	77	152	4th	80	79	80	239	t-21st	80	79	73	232	t-2nd			
Melanie Lepp	85	78	163	t-26th						77	80	85	242	t-16th			
Cathy Lindblad	83	80	163	t-26th	84	76	83	243	t-37th	78	81	75	234	t-5th			
Emily Norby																	
Marcy Savage	82	82	164	t-31st													
Keri Sawvell	76	75	151	3rd	78	79	83	240	24th	86	81	81	248	t-30th			
Jenny Trenda	79	80	159	t-17th	83	82	80	245	t-41st								
Kristi Weichert	86	78	164	t-31st													

	Gopher Invite			Fall 1996			Career Fall			Career		
	R1	R2	Tot.	Str.	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou				402	5	80.40	569	7	81.29	1009	12	84.08
Donna Boom				165	2	82.50	326	4	81.50	755	9	83.89
Amy Dahle				629	8	78.63	2609	33	79.06	5382	67	80.33
Glenna Gilbert				171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker				623	8	77.88	2741	34	80.62	5771	71	81.28
Melanie Lepp				405	5	81.00	1544	19	81.26	2328	28	83.14
Cathy Lindblad				640	8	80.00	2040	25	81.60	3219	39	82.54
Emily Norby												
Marcy Savage				164	2	82.00	583	7	83.29	583	7	83.29
Keri Sawvell				639	8	79.88	2030	25	81.20	2523	31	81.39
Jenny Trenda				404	5	80.80	1068	13	82.15	2041	24	85.04
Kristi Weichert				164	2	82.00	337	4	84.25	337	4	84.25

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1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/7	Intrasquad/Alumni (St. Paul, MN)	Gold (27 points)	10/26	Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)
9/14	Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd (36 points)	11/21	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)
9/21	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	2nd (8 points)	11/16	and Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)
9/28	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)	10th (272 points)	11/25	at NCAAA Championships (Tucson, AZ)
10/12	at Auburn Invitational (Auburn, AL)			
10/19	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)			

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (4,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)	20:31 (M171/4th)					
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)	20:35 (M177/5th)					
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)	19:46 (M95/1st)					
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st /1st)	DNC	16:50 (5th/1st)					
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)	19:03 (141st/12th)					
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC	18:37 (99th/5th)					
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)	18:51 (125th/10th)					
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC	18:12 (60th/3rd)					
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNF					
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC	18:39 (102nd/6th)					
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)	18:43 (109th/8th)					
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC	18:47 (115th/9th)					
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)	20:19 (M145/2nd)					
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)	19:51 (177th/16th)					
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC	18:20 (74th/4th)					
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC	18:58 (135th/11th)					
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)	20:48 (M201/6th)					
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC					
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)	21:44 (105th/9th)	20:22 (M153/3rd)					
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC	18:42 (107th/7th)					
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)	19:42 (173rd/15th)					
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)	19:23 (155th/14th)					
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC	17:57 (40th/2nd)					
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC	19:05 (144th/13th)					



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, October 9		
VB at Wisconsin***	6 p.m.	
(Madison, WI)		
Friday, October 11		
SC at Michigan State	2 p.m.	
(East Lansing, MI)		
Saturday, October 12		
VB at Michigan	6 p.m.	
(Ann Arbor, MI)		
GF at Northwestern Invite	All Day	
(Evanston, IL)		
SB at Big Ten Fall Classic	All Day	
(Madison, WI)		
Sunday, October 13		
SC at Michigan	1 p.m.	
(Ann Arbor, MI)		
GF hosts the Gopher Gold Classic		
GF at Northwestern Invite	All Day	
(Evanston, IL)		
SB at Big Ten Fall Classic	All Day	
(Madison, WI)		

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Bauer Named Big Ten VB Athlete of Week

Junior setter BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON) was named the co-Big Ten Volleyball Player of the Week. She shares this week's honor with middle blocker Kelly Kennedy of Wisconsin. Bauer collected 145 assists in directing the Gophers to road wins at Iowa and Illinois. She averaged 16.11 assists per game while adding 16 total blocks, 20 kills and 22 digs. Against Iowa, Bauer smashed a career-high 14 kills and assisted on a personal-best eight blocks. It is the first Big Ten weekly honor for Bauer in her career but the third time this season a Gopher has been recognized.



VOLLEYBALL TEAM CONTINUES BIG TEN ACTION AT WISCONSIN AND MICHIGAN — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 12-5 overall and 3-1 in the Big Ten, plays its third and fourth consecutive Big Ten battles on the road when it travels to #9 Wisconsin on Wednesday, Oct. 9, and to Michigan on Saturday, Oct. 12.

GOPHERS OFF TO 3-1 BIG TEN MARK — The Gophers opened their Big Ten season with a loss to #2 Penn State but have rebounded with three straight victories (Ohio State, Iowa and Illinois) and take their 3-1 conference mark into Wisconsin on Wednesday. Overall, Minnesota has won nine of its last ten matches.

WISCONSIN MATCH LIVE ON MIDWEST SPORTS CHANNEL — Midwest Sports Channel will televise Wednesday night's match against the Badgers live with a 6 p.m. start time. The match will be played using the modified rules format of scoring.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — The maroon and gold is led by senior KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM), who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. DeDecker is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is 202 kills away from Andrea Gonzalez' record. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON), while middle blockers junior JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL) and sophomore TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MINN./BELLE PLAINE) and outside hitters senior TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY) and junior SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY) are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS Bethany Baker 5-4 Fr. Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch

DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

WISCONSIN—The Badgers are off to a 13-1 record on the season with their only loss coming at the hands of #2 Penn State. Wisconsin also defeated Illinois and Iowa last weekend and owns a Big Ten mark of 3-1, identical to that of the Gophers. One of the premier setters in the Big Ten directs the Badger offense in senior **Laura Abbinante**. Abbinante, who has 582 assists this season, ranks seventh on the Big Ten's all-time list with 5,070 career assists. Her favorite target is junior outside hitter **Amy Lee**. Lee leads the Badgers with 191 kills. Co-Big Ten Player of the Week, first-year player **Kelly Kennedy** tops the squad with a .336 attack percentage and is coming off 10-kill, 11-block performances against both Illinois and Iowa.

Wisconsin head coach **John Cook** is in his fifth season with the Badgers and sports a 89-58 (.605) record. Cook led the Badgers to NCAA Tournament appearances in 1993 and 1994, and to the National Invitational Volleyball Championship last season.

The Series—Minnesota owns a 24-14 advantage in series play with Wisconsin. The Gophers swept the Badgers in '95, winning 3-0 (15-10, 15-2, 15-8) in Minneapolis and 3-2 (8-15, 15-13, 14-16, 15-6, 19-17) in Madison. The series over the last 10 matches is split at 5-5.

MICHIGAN—The Wolverines are 6-9 overall and 1-3 in the Big Ten. Michigan captured its first conference victory of the season defeating Northwestern, 3-0, in its last outing. Sophomore outside hitter **Karen Chase** led the Wolverines against the Wildcats with 17 kills and owns a team-high 179 on the season. Junior setter **Linnea Mendoza** has 615 assists in '96, but as a team, the Wolverines are struggling offensively with a .206 team attack percentage.

Michigan head coach **Greg Giovanazzi** is in his fifth season with Michigan and owns a record of 63-78 (.447). He led the Wolverines to a postseason appearance in the 1995 National Invitational Volleyball Championship, Michigan's first postseason action since 1981.

The Series—Minnesota has dominated Michigan in volleyball owning the series lead by a 28-4 margin. Michigan captured one of its few wins against Minnesota in the first meeting of '95 by a 3-0 (15-6, 16-14, 15-13) score in Ann Arbor. The Gophers returned the favor in Minneapolis winning the second meeting by a 3-0 (15-3, 15-2, 15-13) count as well.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Midwest Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 584-260 and a .692 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—Maurice Batie and Nao Ikeda enter their first seasons at Minnesota and third with Mike Hebert. Batie and Ikeda worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota extended its Big Ten winning streak to three matches with road wins at Iowa and Illinois last weekend. The Gophers' record now stands at 12-5 overall and 3-1 in the Big Ten.

THE IOWA MATCH: Minnesota fought back from a two-game deficit to capture a 3-2 (14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13) victory over Iowa in the longest match in Gopher volleyball history. Two hours and fifty minutes after the match's first serve, the Gophers nailed down the victory on a Jane Passer kill and a Hawkeye hitting error to close out the fifth-game rally scoring. Five Gophers finished with double-digit kills led by **Katrien DeDecker's** 29. She hit those 29 winners in a Minnesota record 94 attack attempts. Three Gophers also set new career-highs in kills, tallying double-doubles in the process. **Sarah Pearman** collected 20 kills and 18 digs, **Jane Passer** had 18 kills and 16 digs, and **Becky Bauer** added 14 kills and 11 digs. **Tera Fiamengo** was the fifth Gopher in double figures hitting 13 kills. Defensively, **Tara Baynes** led the charge at the net stuffing a career-high 11 total blocks.

THE ILLINOIS MATCH: The homecoming of coach **Mike Hebert** was a successful one as the Gophers captured a 3-1 (15-8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13) victory. The win broke a 12-match losing streak against Illinois. **Katrien DeDecker** added a couple more Minnesota records to her resume by hitting 34 kills in 86 attempts (four-game match records). **Tera Fiamengo** hit an impressive .414 in the match landing 12 kills in 29 attempts without an error. **Tara Baynes**, **Becky Bauer** and **DeDecker** all finished the match with eight total blocks. As a team, the Gophers hit .299 in the match.

WHAT A WEEKEND—Obviously the two victories were the most important outcomes of last weekend's road trip to Iowa and Illinois. A look behind the scenes shows more good news. All told, 11 match records and 19 individual career-highs were set last weekend. A total of seven double-doubles (kills / digs) were recorded, including ones by **Tera Fiamengo**, **Sarah Pearman** and **Katrien DeDecker** in both the Iowa and Illinois matches.

MARATHON WINNERS—The Gopher volleyball team has a

lot in common with the athletes who ran Sunday's Twin Cities Marathon. The winner in the women's race was timed at two hours, 27 minutes. Both Gopher matches last weekend surpassed that mark. The grueling five-game match at Iowa was timed at 2:50, making it the longest match in Gopher volleyball history. The Illinois match went 2:35 before it ended in four games.

DeDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH—Senior Katrien DeDecker continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, DeDecker is only 202 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. Against Iowa, she moved into second-place surpassing Chris Schaefer's total of 1,896 career kills and now has 1,938 kills in her illustrious career. DeDecker has moved on to the list in career digs as well and is currently ninth with 891. She also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks and service aces. DeDecker is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN—Katrien DeDecker is moving up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. DeDecker's 29 kills against Iowa and 34 kills versus Illinois were the 10th and 11th times this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has five 30-plus kill matches in her career.

BAYNES & BAUER LEAD THE GOPHER BLOCK—The Minnesota defense received a big boost last weekend with the blocking performances of Tara Baynes and Becky Bauer. Baynes rejected 11 attacks in the Iowa match, setting a new career-high. The sophomore middle blocker added eight versus Illinois to regain the team lead in total blocks at 55. Bauer collected eight total blocks in both the Iowa and Illinois match.

LEADING THE NATION—Katrien DeDecker's 6.12 kills per game led the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. Texas Christian's Jill Pape was second in the national statistics at 5.97 kills a game. DeDecker improved her average to 6.25 kills per game over the weekend and should remain #1 in the national stats which will be released Thursday.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS—Becky Bauer was also listed among the national statistics ranking 16th in assists per game at 13.13. As a team, Minnesota ranked 12th in assists per game (15.02) and 13th in both kills per game (16.84) and hitting percentage (.282).

BIG TEN STATS & STUFF—Katrien DeDecker tops the Big Ten with 6.25 kills per game. She is also 10th in hitting percentage at .335 and ninth in service aces at 0.35 per game. Becky Bauer is second in assists (13.61 apg), and Sarah Pearman is seventh in digs (3.44 dpg.), while Tara Baynes (1.44 tbpg.) and Jane Passer (1.17 tbpg.) rank fifth and ninth in total blocks per game. As a team, the Gophers are first in kills per game (17.42) and assists per game (15.58), second in the Big Ten in hitting percentage (.281), and fourth in team blocks per

game (3.03).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	3-2
Road matches	2-3
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	8-2
In four-game matches	3-2
In five-game matches	1-1
Record winning the first game	10-1
Record winning first two games	9-0
Record losing first game	2-4
Record losing first two games	1-3
Record vs. ranked opponents	1-3

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 11 vs. Georgia Tech
Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
Blocks Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, Katrien DeDecker vs. Illinois
Attempts — 94, Katrien DeDecker vs. Iowa
Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
Assists — 77, Becky Bauer vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 4, Katrien DeDecker vs. Arkansas
Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
Block Assists — 9, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa

FIRST DISTRICT RANKING RELEASED—Minnesota was ranked fifth in the first release of the NCAA District 2 poll on Oct. 1. The Gophers trail Penn State, Wisconsin, Michigan State and Ohio State.

District 2 Poll #1 — Oct. 1

1. Penn State
2. Wisconsin
3. Michigan State
4. Ohio State
5. Minnesota
6. Miami, Ohio
7. Illinois
8. Central Michigan
9. Kent State
10. Purdue

UP NEXT--Minnesota returns to Minneapolis for homecoming festivities to play Indiana, Friday, Oct. 18, and Purdue, Saturday, Oct. 19. The Indiana match will be shown live on ESPN2 beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Soccer

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO MICHIGAN STATE AND MICHIGAN— #18 Minnesota, 8-3 overall and 1-2 in the Big Ten, returns to Big Ten action playing Friday, Oct. 11, at Michigan State and Sunday, Oct. 13 at Michigan in Ann Arbor, Mich. Minnesota has won four of its last six games and is coming off a 5-0 victory over Minnesota-Duluth Sunday afternoon.

ABOUT MICHIGAN STATE—The Spartans are 3-8 overall and 0-2 in the Big Ten. MSU has lost seven matches in a row after opening the season 3-1. Head coach **Tom Saxton** is in his sixth season with the Spartans and posts a 59-41-7 record for his career. MSU is led by **Kristen Lester** with six goals and one assist for 13 points. **Becky Ketola** is second on the team in scoring at nine points with four goals and one assist. **Gina Belardi** and **Mara Lee** have been sharing the keeper duties with Belardi posting a 2.12 GAA and a 4-3 record, while Lee has a 2.14 GAA and an 0-3 record.

THE SERIES—Minnesota leads the series 2-1 and won the last meeting, 3-2, in overtime last season at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field.

ABOUT MICHIGAN—Michigan is 4-4-2 overall and 1-1 in the Big Ten. The Wolverines are led by third-year coach **Debbie Belkin** who has a 22-22-5 record at Michigan. UM is led by **Amber Berendowsky** who has four goals and two assists for 10 points. **Mari Hoff** is next at eight points with four goals. The keeper for Michigan is **Jessica Jones**, who has a GAA of 1.35 and is 3-2-2 on the season.

THE SERIES—Minnesota is 3-0 against the Wolverines and defeated them last season, 2-0, in Minneapolis.

GOPHER REWIND— Minnesota overcame a slow start and defeated Minnesota-Duluth, 5-0, in front of 587 fans at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field.

The Gophers completely dominated the game, outshooting the Bulldogs 30-3 for the game and 15-0 in the first half, but could not put the ball in the net.

Minnesota then exploded for five second-half goals, including four in 11 minutes. The goal parade was started by senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)** who scored her seventh goal of the season unassisted at 47:33. Newcomer **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK)** answered just five minutes later with her seventh goal of the year on a crossing pass from **MEGAN JOHNSON (ROSEMOUNT, MN)** at 52:37. **JEN McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN)**, **CORINNE BOLDER (DALE CITY, VA/GAR-FIELD)** and **KELLY SHEA (EI CAJON, CA/VALHALLA)** also scored for the Gophers

Once again, the goaltending was solid for the Gophers as senior **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)** and newcomer **DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OH/HAYES)** recorded the sixth shutout of the season for Minnesota and the second shared shutout between the two keepers.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE—Sue Montagne is in her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 48-20-6 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

MINNESOTA HURTING ON OFFENSE—With the loss of 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL)** to ACL surgery, the Gophers are struggling to score. The Gophers have averaged only 2.7 goals a game this season and have scored over three goals only twice, a 10-0 victory over Valparaiso and a 5-0 win over UMD. Since **Walek's** injury, Minnesota has averaged only 2.14 goals a game, while giving up 1.42 a game.

FIRST HALF WOES—Minnesota is having a hard time scoring in the first half of its games this season. The Gophers have posted only seven scores in the first half, compared to 23 in the second half. Minnesota's opponents have posted four goals in the first half, six in the second and one in overtime.

INJURY REPORT—**Jennifer Walek** and **NOELLE PAPPENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/BURNSVILLE)** are both out for the season with ACL injuries. **JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLIARD NORTH)** is still recovering from a stress fracture.

GOALIE SHUFFLE—Minnesota is playing two keepers at the present time. **Teresa O'Hearn** started the season in goal and has seen action in 10 games, giving up eight goals, but **Dana Larson** has been seeing more action lately. **Larson** started against Northwestern and Wisconsin-Milwaukee and played the second-half against Wisconsin and UMD. **Larson** has given up two goals and has a goals against average of 0.73, while **O'Hearn's** GAA is 0.97.

McELMURY CONTINUES TO SHINE—Junior **Jennifer McElmury** is once again among the team and conference leaders in scoring and making a claim for her second straight season of all-America honors. After a slow start, **McElmury** has been Minnesota's main offensive threat since the loss of **Jennifer Walek**. **McElmury** has seven goals and four assists for 18 points this season, ranking her fourth in the conference. Last year, the second-team all-American and first-team all-Big Ten and all-Great Lakes Region selection had 12 goals and six assists last season for 30 points.

McELMURY IN POSITION FOR SECOND ON ALL-TIME SCORING LIST—**Jennifer McElmury**, currently third on the Minnesota career scoring list, is only four points from surpassing former Gopher and third-team academic all-America recipient **Gretchen Brandt** for second on the Minnesota career scoring list. **McElmury** has 76 points in her illustrious career, while **Brandt** recorded 79 points while playing for the Gophers from 1993-95. First on the all-time scoring list is **Jennifer Walek**, who has 142 points for her career.



LEE MAKING STRONG CASE FOR NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR HONORS—First-year forward Nicole Lee is making a strong bid for Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors. Lee is seeing increased playing time filling in for Jennifer Walek and making the most of it. Through 11 games, Lee is tied for second on the team in scoring with seven goals and four assists for 18 points and ranks in the top five in the Big Ten in scoring.

HUSSEY SOLID FOR GOPHERS—Erin Hussey is the team leader in scoring with seven goals and six assists for 20 points. Hussey was tied with Penn State's Rachel Hoffman for the conference lead in scoring going into last weekend. Hussey exploded out of the gate this season with four goals and two assists against Valparaiso in the first match of the season. Hussey's four goals and 10 points were new Minnesota varsity records for goals and points scored in a match. For her efforts that week, Hussey was named Big Ten Player of the Week for September 3.

DENNEY ANCHORS THE DEFENSE—Defender MIKKI DENNEY (OMAHA, NE/MARIAN/NORTH CAROLINA) is the anchor of the Minnesota defense that has allowed only 11 goals and recorded six shutouts in ten games this season. Denney is also contributing offensively, scoring the first goal of her career against Wisconsin. It was Denney's only goal in 54 games played with the Gophers.

BOLDER STRUGGLES THIS SEASON—Sophomore Corinne Bolder has struggled to get on track in 1996, but had a breakout game against Minnesota-Duluth. Bolder, a second-team all-Big Ten selection in 1995, had a goal and an assist against the Bulldogs to increase her season totals to two goals and two assists. Bolder had not scored a goal since the first game of the year against Valparaiso until Sunday. Last season, Bolder had 11 goals and 11 assists for 33 points.

ATTENDANCE SOARS IN 1996—Minnesota, always a national leader in attendance, is doing it again this season as it is averaging 630 fans a match. On the season, 3,784 fans have passed through the gates, including a record-setting 1,427 fans for the Wisconsin match.

WHAT'S NEXT—Minnesota returns for homecoming weekend to play Indiana, Friday, Oct. 18, and Ohio State Sunday, Oct. 20. Game time Friday is 3 p.m., while Sunday's tilt begins at 1 p.m.

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO AUBURN—Minnesota travels to Auburn, Ala. on Saturday, Oct. 12, for the Auburn Invitational. Minnesota will take its top 12 runners to a race that will once again include the nation's elite programs.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota, running without its top seven runners, placed fourth at the Eau Claire Invitational last Saturday. Senior KERI ZWEIG (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA) placed first among Minnesota runners, ninth overall, in a time of 18:49. Junior ANDREA SWANSBY (PEWAUKEE, WI/KETTLE MORAINE) finished in a time of 19:19. Sophomore NIKKI RASSBACH (CHIPPEWA FALLS, WI) recorded a time of 19:38, with frosh BETH CORDES (APPLE VALLEY, MN/ROSEMOUNT) close behind in 19:43. Wisconsin-Oshkosh was the team winner with 28 points, 33 points ahead of second-place St. Thomas at 61 points. Host Eau Claire was third with 134 points, with Minnesota fourth at 140 points.

AMAZING ANNA—In each of the two races sophomore ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) has competed in, she has broken the Minnesota record on the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. At the Minnesota Triangular, Gullingsrud won the race in a time of 17:24, breaking the old record of 17:33 set by Lori Townsend in 1995. Then at the Roy Griak Invitational, Gullingsrud shattered her own record set two weeks previously with a time of 16:50, 36 seconds faster than the previous record. Her time of 16:50 is the third-fastest time in Minnesota history on any course. Gullingsrud has a legitimate shot at breaking the Minnesota varsity record of 16:32.60 set by Jodi Eder at the University of Illinois in 1984.

1996 Cross Country Schedule

- Oct. 12 at Auburn Invitational
- Oct. 19 at Iowa State
- OCT. 26 MINNESOTA OPEN**
- Nov. 2 at Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)
- NOV. 3 ROCKY'S RUN**
- Nov. 16 at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)
- Nov. 25 at NCAA Championships (Tucson, AZ)

What's Next--Minnesota travel to Iowa State Saturday, October 19, for the Cyclone Invitational.

Tennis

TENNIS HAS WEEK OFF BEFORE NEXT TOURNAMENT—Minnesota will take the next week off before traveling to Raleigh, NC, for the Wolfpack Invitational and Pacific Palisades Calif., for the Riviera All-American Championships. Junior **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** and sophomore **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** received invitations to play in the pre-qualifying draw of the All-American, while the rest of the squad will travel to Raleigh for the Wolfpack Invitational.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota went 20-11 in singles and 9-4 in doubles in the season opener at the Notre Dame Invitational in South Bend, Ind. Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY)** got her college career off to a rousing start by winning both the B singles and doubles title. Sauska, playing in her first tournament as a Gopher, won four matches en route to her first collegiate title. Sauska defeated **Brooke Hart** of Michigan, 6-3, 6-2, in the championship. Sauska also teamed with **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAQUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** to win the B doubles title. Sauska and **Hrdinova** defeated the team of **Cohen** and **Hall** of Purdue, 8-4, for the title.

Junior **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)** had a good tournament finishing third in the B singles draw after defeating **Tomeika Harris** of Michigan, 6-3, 6-4. Svehla went 3-1 on the weekend. **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** placed fifth in the B draw with a 6-3, 7-5 win over **Erryn Weggerman** of Michigan. **Alice Rangsithienchai** also finished fifth in the A singles draw with a victory over **Kelly Zelinski** of Notre Dame. The doubles team of **Elkins** and **Svehla** also won the consolation championship of the B flight defeating **Druce/Shapiro** of Illinois, 8-5.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK—Martin Novak is back for his seventh season as head coach of the Gophers. Last year, Novak led the Gophers to a 16-8 overall record and a 9-4 Big Ten mark, while achieving a national ranking of #31. Minnesota also advanced to the semifinals of the NCAA Midwest Regionals and placed in a tie for third at the Big Ten Tournament, the highest ever for a Minnesota squad.

SEASON OUTLOOK—After experiencing the best season in Minnesota tennis history and having everyone back but all-Big Ten player **Dana Peterson**, who became only the second player in Minnesota tennis history to receive an invitation to the NCAA Singles Championships, head coach **Martin Novak** is expecting big things from his squad in 1996-97. Making up for the loss of Peterson will be sophomore **Alice Rangsithienchai** and junior **Jennifer Hayes**. **Rangsithienchai** was named the Big Ten Newcomer of the Year after posting a 24-10 singles record and a 14-12 doubles record. She was named all-Big Ten and was ranked as high as #84 in the nation. **Hayes** finished 1996 strong as she had a 16-6 record over her last 22 matches and tied **Rangsithienchai** for the team lead in singles victories with 24. She also had a record of 19-8 at the #1 doubles position.

Also returning for the Gophers are **Jenni Svehla**, **Ashley Fuller** and sophomores **Tarah Elkins** and **Jana Hrdinova**. Add that to one of the best recruiting classes in Minnesota history with four top players **Nora Sauska**, **Kim Simonsen**, **Helen Wang** and **Meghan Donley**, and the Gophers should challenge for a top position regionally and nationally.

THE REST OF THE FALL SCHEDULE—After that, Minnesota has two weeks off before heading to Madison, Wis., for the Rolex Regionals and to Bloomington, Ind., for the Indiana Regional Invitational.



GOLFERS TRAVEL TO NORTHWESTERN FOR FINAL TEAM TOURNAMENT OF THE FALL SEASON—The University of Minnesota women's golf team completes its final team competition of the fall at Northwestern's Wildcat Invitational, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 12-13. Four Big Ten teams - Minnesota, Iowa, Northwestern and Wisconsin - will be joined by Northern Illinois and Notre Dame in the two-day, 54-hole tournament. The teams will play 36 holes on Saturday and the final 18 on Sunday. The Lakeshore Country Club in Gencoe, Ill., is the site of this year's Wildcat Invitational. Last year, Minnesota finished eighth out of 15 teams at the tournament.

MINNESOTA HOSTS GOPHER GOLD CLASSIC - The women's golf team is hosting the Gopher Golf Classic at the Les Bolstad University of Minnesota Golf Course on Sunday, Oct. 13. Mankato State University and St. Cloud State University are the only teams in the field along with six Minnesota individuals. The Gophers will not be competing towards the team score.

HUSKIE FALL CLASSIC - Final results from the Huskie Fall Classic at Northern Illinois University will be available in the Oct. 14 release. After the first round, Minnesota was in first place at 315, and senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR)** was tied for first at 74.



Minnesota travels to Madison, Wis., for the Big Ten Fall Classic Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 12-13. The schedule of Minnesota's games:

Saturday--	Sunday--
10 a.m.-- vs. Wisconsin	10:30 a.m.--vs. Wisconsin
1 p.m.--vs. Northwestern	12 noon--vs. Iowa
2:30--vs. Iowa	3 p.m.--Championship game

As of: October 5, 1996
 Illinois
 17 Matches played
 12 Wins, 5 Losses

SID Report - Volleyball
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	17	49	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	60
2	Fiamengo, T.	17	58	118	43	274	.274	34	0	0	8	1	24	81
3	Miller, M.	16	29	8	1	15	.467	62	0	0	3	0	3	19
4	McDonell, J.	17	37	44	23	106	.198	2	0	0	6	2	14	58
6	Hebert, H.	16	26	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	1	0	0	17
7	Baynes, T.	13	45	82	37	199	.226	8	0	0	11	13	52	63
8	DeDecker, K.	17	60	376	89	846	.339	20	0	0	21	14	40	165
9	Passer, J.	17	60	177	52	378	.331	13	0	0	13	9	65	140
10	Pearman, S.	17	59	180	88	457	.201	20	1	****	12	4	27	207
13	Bauer, B.	16	56	62	24	152	.250	763	0	0	18	5	47	100
14	Shudlick, S.	13	33	0	0	3	.000	10	0	0	4	0	0	29
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		17	60	1047	358	2433	.283	935	1	****	103	48	272	939
TEAM BLOCKS:		184												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	49	0	2	0	10	0.00	0.04	0.12	1.22	0.00	0.24
2	Fiamengo, T.	58	1	1	5	21	2.03	0.59	0.14	1.40	0.43	0.47
3	Miller, M.	29	0	0	1	7	0.28	2.14	0.10	0.66	0.10	0.28
4	McDonell, J.	37	0	6	2	13	1.19	0.05	0.16	1.57	0.43	0.57
6	Hebert, H.	26	0	2	0	1	0.00	0.04	0.04	0.65	0.00	0.12
7	Baynes, T.	45	2	3	5	27	1.82	0.18	0.24	1.40	1.44	0.78
8	DeDecker, K.	60	2	19	3	44	6.27	0.33	0.35	2.75	0.90	1.10
9	Passer, J.	60	1	5	3	18	2.95	0.22	0.22	2.33	1.23	0.43
10	Pearman, S.	59	2	19	2	43	3.05	0.34	0.20	3.51	0.53	1.08
13	Bauer, B.	56	19	0	7	22	1.11	13.62	0.32	1.79	0.93	0.52
14	Shudlick, S.	33	0	0	0	8	0.00	0.30	0.12	0.88	0.00	0.24
0		0	0	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		60	27	58	28	214	17.45	15.58	1.72	15.65	3.07	5.00

University of Minnesota - 1996
Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15,12-15,15- 8,14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15,13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15- 4,15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15- 6,15-13,15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15,15- 6,15- 7,15- 2		
#19 Georgia Tech	Loss 2-3	9-13-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 14-16,15- 9,15- 8, 7-15,12-15		
Marshall	Win 3-0	September 14, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 3,15-12,15- 8		
Arkansas	Win 3-0	9-14-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15- 7,16-14,15- 9		
Providence	Win 3-1	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15- 7,14-16,15- 1,15- 4		
Dartmouth	Win 3-0	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-10,15- 5,15- 5		
Bucknell	Win 3-0	Sept. 21, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-11,15- 4,15- 7		
Boston College	Win 3-0	Sept. 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-13,15- 0,15- 2		
* #2 Penn State	Loss 0-3	September 27, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 11-15, 3-15,12-15		
* #8 Ohio State	Win 3-0	September 28, 1996	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15-12,15-13,15-11		
* Iowa	Win 3-2	October 4, 1996	Iowa City, Iowa
	Game scores: 14-16,13-15,15-11,17-15,15-13		
* Illinois	Win 3-1	October 5, 1996	Champaign, Ill.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15-13,13-15,15-13		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ---- Overall -- 12- 5
 Conference -- 3- 1

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	at Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		NA
Sept. 2	at Butler	W	3-1	2-0		NA
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	at #4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	vs. #14 Washington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*at Penn State	L	3-2 (OT)	6-2	0-1	NA
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W	1-0	7-2	1-1	442
Sept. 28	*#16 Wisconsin	L	3-1	7-3	1-2	1,427
Oct. 6	Minnesota-Duluth	W	5-0	8-3		587
Oct. 11	* at Michigan State					
Oct. 13	* at Michigan					
Oct. 18	* Indiana					
Oct. 20	* Ohio State					
Oct. 25	vs. North Carolina					
Oct. 27	vs. Northern Illinois					
Nov. 3	Evansville					

***Big Ten Conference match**

Overall Record: 8-3
 Home Record: 5-1
 Away Record: 2-2
 Neutral Record: 1-0
 Overtime Record: 0-1

Big Ten Record: 1-2
 Home Record: 1-1
 Away Record: 0-1

Goals for: 30

Goals Against: 11

Goals for, first half: 7
 Goals for, second half: 23
 Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 4
 Goals against, second half: 6
 Goals against, overtime: 1

Home Attendance: 3784/ 630 per match

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points			
Erika Berghauer	2	0	0	1	0	0			
Corinne Bolder	11	11	2	18	2	6			
Sarah Connors	6	0	1	4	1	3			
Michealene Denney	11	11	1	3	0	2			
Rose Grimm	2	0	0	0	0	0			
Erin Hussey	11	11	7	26	6	20			
Allison Johnson	11	11	0	1	0	0			
Megan Johnson	8	5	0	7	6	6			
Amy Koehler	8	0	1	1	0	2			
Erika Kruse	9	0	0	0	0	0			
Nicole Lee	11	7	7	16	4	18			
Jennifer McElmury	11	11	7	46	4	18			
Dorsey Nelson	6	0	0	0	0	0			
Jaime O'Gara	3	0	0	0	0	0			
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Kristen Peterson	3	0	0	1	0	0			
Kelly Shea	11	11	1	6	1	3			
Colleen Tierney	2	0	0	1	0	0			
Vanessa Touset	11	11	0	8	0	0			
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	12	1	7			
Jamie Wyffels	11	11	0	1	0	0			
Totals	11	11	30	156	25	85			

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	10	9	745	8	45	0.97	3	2
Dana Larson	4	2	245	2	12	0.73	1	2
Totals	14	11	990	10	57	0.91	4	2

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
48	64	0

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	7	23	0	0	30
Opponents	4	6	1	0	11



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, October 17
 TN at Riviera All-America Classic
 (Pacific Palisades, CA)

Friday, October 18
 SC hosts Indiana 3 p.m.
 VB hosts Indiana*** 7:30 p.m.
 TN at Riviera All-America Classic
 (Pacific Palisades, CA)
 TN at Wolfpack Invitational
 (Raleigh, NC)

Saturday, October 19
 VB hosts Purdue 7 p.m.
 SW hosts Alum Meet 12 noon
 CC at Iowa State Invitational 11 a.m.
 TN at Riviera All-America Classic
 (Pacific Palisades, CA)
 TN at Wolfpack Invitational
 (Raleigh, NC)

Sunday, October 20
 SC hosts Ohio State 1 p.m.
 TN at Riviera All-America Classic
 (Pacific Palisades, CA)
 TN at Wolfpack Invitational
 (Raleigh, NC)

*** Live on ESPN2

Volleyball

GOPHER VOLLEYBALL TEAM HOSTS INDIANA AND PURDUE OVER HOMECOMING WEEKEND — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 13-6 overall and 4-2 in the Big Ten, celebrates Homecoming weekend with home matches against Indiana on Friday, Oct. 18, and Purdue on Saturday, Oct. 19.

ESPN2 BROADCASTS INDIANA MATCH LIVE — ESPN2 will broadcast Friday's match versus Indiana live, starting at 7:30 p.m. Chris Marlowe will handle the play-by-play and Heather Cox the color analysis.

GOPHERS THIRD IN BIG TEN WITH 4-2 MARK — The Gophers are currently tied with Wisconsin at 4-2 for third-place in the Big Ten standings. Michigan State leads the way at 6-0, while Penn State is second at 5-1.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— The maroon and gold is led by senior **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. DeDecker is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is 169 kills away from Andrea Gonzalez' record. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MINN/BELLE PLAINE)** and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

INDIANA —The Hoosiers bring a 7-11 overall and 1-5 Big Ten record into Friday's match at Minnesota. The Big Ten season has not been kind to Indiana, which has lost four straight including home matches against Iowa and Illinois last weekend. The Hoosier attack is led by outside hitters **Julie Flatley** and honorable mention all-Big Ten pick **Jennifer Magelssen**; dead-even for the team lead in kills with 214. Indiana's offense is run by setters **Heather Magelssen**, the older sister of Jennifer, and **Kristina Sanderson**. Magelssen owns 423 assists to Sanderson's 327 on the season.

Indiana head coach **Katie Weismiller** is in her fourth season with the Hoosiers and sports a 54-59 (.478) record. Weismiller led the Hoosiers to their first NCAA Tournament appearance a year ago, losing in the first round to George Mason.

The Series—Minnesota has doubled-up on Indiana in the series with a 20-10 advantage. The Hoosiers, however, swept the Gophers in action last season, winning 3-1 matches both in Minneapolis and Bloomington, Ind.

PURDUE --Purdue won matches over Illinois and Iowa last weekend to improve its record to 10-8 overall and 3-3 in the Big Ten. The Boilermakers play at Wisconsin on Friday night prior to the Saturday's match at Minnesota. All-Big Ten honorable mention selection **Brooke White** powers the Purdue offense from her middle blocker position with 326 kills, a .355 attack percentage and 68 total blocks on the season. Outside hitter **Lauri Grimes** has contributed 296 kills, while setter **Linda Menconi** has 785 assists to her credit.

Purdue head coach **Joey Vrazel** is in her second season with Purdue and owns a 8-20 (.286) record. Vrazel is just the second coach in the history of Purdue volleyball.

The Series—Purdue holds a 24-17 lead in the series with Minnesota in one of the more even series battles in the Big Ten for the Gophers. In 1995, both teams captured 3-0 victories on their home courts.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach **Dr. Mike Hebert** has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 585-261 and a .691 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—**Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** enter their first seasons at Minnesota and third with **Mike Hebert**. Batie and Ikeda worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota split in road action last week losing 3-0 to Wisconsin, then rebounding to defeat Michigan by the same score. The Gophers are currently third in the Big Ten standings with a 4-2 record, 13-6 overall.

THE MICHIGAN MATCH: The Gophers put together one of their best all-around matches of the season in defeating Michigan at Ann Arbor by game scores of 15-12, 15-6, 15-11. As a team, Minnesota hit an impressive .352 in the match behind 19 kills from **Katrien DeDecker**, 17 from **Jane Passer** and 12 from **Tera Fiamengo**. In all, four of the six starters hit above the team's average for the match. Setter **Becky Bauer** collected five kills in seven attacks, without an error, for a team-high .714 hitting percentage. Fiamengo contributed one of her best offensive matches hitting .526.

THE WISCONSIN MATCH: The Gophers ran into a big road block in losing 3-0 to #9 ranked Wisconsin on Wednesday in Madison. Games scores of 20-9, 19-10 and 16-10 reflect the television scoring format. The Badgers collected 18 total team blocks to frustrate the Minnesota offense. The Gophers hit just .071 in the match, the lowest team attack percentage of the season, while Wisconsin fared much better at .291. A pesky Badger defense focused on stopping **Katrien DeDecker**, but **DeDecker** still hit 14 kills to lead all Gopher attackers. Wisconsin's **Amy Lee** tallied a triple-double with 17 kills, 12 digs and 10 blocks.

DeDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, DeDecker is only 169 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. Against Iowa, she moved into second-place surpassing **Chris Schaefer's** total of 1,896 career kills and now has 1,971 kills in her illustrious career. DeDecker has moved on to the list in career digs as well and is currently ninth with 909. She also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks and service aces. DeDecker is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

AIMING FOR #2,000 — That's 2,000 kills. Only two Big Ten players have ever surpassed that mark; Minnesota's **Andrea Gonzalez** with 2,140 and Purdue's **Debbie McDonald** with 2,108. DeDecker, currently owning 1,971 career kills, needs 29 kills to become the third Big Ten player to reach 2,000.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN —**Katrien DeDecker** is moving up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. DeDecker's 29 kills against Iowa and 34 kills versus Illinois were the 10th and 11th times this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has five 30-plus kill matches in her career.

LEADING THE NATION — **Katrien DeDecker's** 6.25 kills per game led the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. Texas Christian's **Jill Pape** was second in the national statistics at 5.94 kills a game.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — Becky Bauer was also listed among the national statistics ranking ninth in assists per game at 13.61. As a team, Minnesota ranked fourth in assists per game (15.50), fifth in kills per game (17.42) and 13th in hitting percentage (.281).

BIG TEN STATS & STUFF — Katrien DeDecker tops the Big Ten with 6.20 kills per game. She is also 10th in hitting percentage at .328 and service aces at 0.33 per game. Becky Bauer is second in assists (13.60 apg), and Sarah Pearman is fifth in digs (3.65 dpg.), while Tara Baynes (1.39 tbpg.) and Jane Passer (1.21 tbpg.) rank fifth and eighth in total blocks per game. As a team, the Gophers are second in kills per game (17.56), hitting percentage (.275) and assists per game (15.65), and fourth in team blocks per game (3.022).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	3-2
Road matches	3-4
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	9-3
In four-game matches	3-2
In five-game matches	1-1
Record winning the first game	11-1
Record winning first two games	10-0
Record losing first game	2-5
Record losing first two games	1-4
Record vs. ranked opponents	1-4

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
 Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
 Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 11 vs. Georgia Tech
 Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
 Blocks Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
 Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, Katrien DeDecker vs. Illinois
 Attempts — 94, Katrien DeDecker vs. Iowa
 Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 77, Becky Bauer vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 4, Katrien DeDecker vs. Arkansas
 Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 9, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa

FIRST DISTRICT RANKING RELEASED — Minnesota was ranked fifth in the first release of the NCAA District 2 poll on Oct. 1. The Gophers trail Penn State, Wisconsin, Michigan State and Ohio State.

District 2 Poll #1 — Oct. 1

1. Penn State
2. Wisconsin
3. Michigan State
4. Ohio State
5. Minnesota
6. Miami, Ohio
7. Illinois
8. Central Michigan
9. Kent State
10. Purdue

HAWAII KEEPS ITS STRONGHOLD ON #1 IN AVCA/ USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES POLL— Penn State tops the list of Minnesota's nationally-ranked opponents at #2.

Michigan State kept its #7 ranking, Wisconsin remained at #9 and Ohio State stayed at #14 in the Oct. 8 poll. Other Minnesota opponents, both of which defeated the Gophers earlier this season, mentioned in the poll are Washington ranked #15 and Georgia Tech, which received points but fell from the top 25 last week.

Poll #6 — Oct. 8	Record	Points	LtWk
1. Hawaii (59)	15-0	1475	1
2. Penn State	15-0	1400	2
3. Florida	17-1	1349	3
4. Stanford	12-1	1298	4
5. Long Beach State	16-0	1243	6
6. Nebraska	12-2	1171	7
7. Michigan State	10-4	1071	9
8. Texas	9-3	1044	8
9. Wisconsin	13-1	1020	9
10. Washington State	12-3	920	10
11. Loyola Marymount	12-2	847	13
12. Texas A&M	13-2	768	15
13. UCLA	12-4	741	11
14. Ohio State	13-2	671	14
15. Washington	14-2	593	19
16. USC	9-4	578	17
17. UC Santa Barbara	12-4	535	16
18. Pacific	10-4	499	18
19. Notre Dame	10-4	485	12
20. Louisville	11-2	418	20
21. Oral Roberts	15-1	245	23
22. Oregon State	13-3	228	21
23. Oregon	15-2	148	NR
24. George Mason	13-1	131	NR
25. Texas Tech	15-2	103	24

Others receiving points: Arizona (54), Colorado State (46), Georgia Tech (21), Pepperdine (18), San Diego State (18), Maryland (16), Fresno State (12), Idaho (3), South Florida (3), Miami, Ohio (2), Houston (1)

UP NEXT—The Gophers travel to Big Ten leader Michigan State on Friday, Oct. 25, and to Northwestern on Saturday, Oct. 26, before starting a stretch of four straight home matches in early November.

Soccer

MINNESOTA RETURNS HOME FOR BIG TEN CLASH— #17 Minnesota, 10-3 overall and 3-2 in the Big Ten, returns to the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field for two Big Ten matchups. First, Minnesota hosts Indiana Friday, Oct. 18, then plays Ohio State Sunday, Oct. 20. Sunday is Adidas Youth Day where fans can register for fabulous prizes.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— Minnesota, ranked 17th in the latest NSCA poll and third in the region, has won six of its last eight matches and three in a row. The Gophers, who were having trouble scoring goals, have gotten hot connecting for 11 goals in the last three games, an average of almost four a contest. After the loss of **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL)** to ACL surgery, Minnesota has turned to senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)**, second team all-American **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN)** and newcomer **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/ CHAMPLIN PARK)**. Hussey leads the Big Ten in scoring with 24 points, followed closely by McElmury at 22 points and Lee at 20. Minnesota had three of the top four scorers in the conference heading into action last weekend.

The Gophers have also received great play in the nets as **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)** and **DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OH/HAYES)** have shared time. O'Hearn has started nine games, recording three shutouts, two shared shutouts and a goals against average of 0.97. Larson has gotten the start in the last two games and has a 4-1 record and a GAA of 1.08.

ABOUT INDIANA—Indiana is 6-6 overall and 2-3 in the Big Ten after losing to both Wisconsin and Northwestern over the weekend. Indiana lost to the Badgers, 3-0, Friday afternoon, then fell Sunday to Northwestern, 3-1, both at home. The Hoosiers are led by head coach **Joe Kelly**, who has a record of 34-32-1 in this his fourth season at Indiana. Kelly looks to **Amy Friederich** for most of his scoring. Friederich has five goals and six assists on the season for 16 points. She is followed by a trio of players at nine points apiece. In goal for Indiana is **Merit Elzey**, a first-team all-Big Ten selection in 1995, who has a 6-6 record with two shutouts this year. She has a goals against average of 1.60.

THE SERIES—Minnesota leads the series 2-1-2. The Gophers went 1-0-1 against Indiana last season, tying the regular season matchup, 1-1, at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field and then beating IU, 3-2, in the second-round of the Big Ten Tournament.

ABOUT OHIO STATE—Ohio State is 10-3-0 and 3-2 in the Big Ten. OSU plays Cincinnati on Tuesday before matches this weekend. The Buckeyes defeated Northwestern, 3-1, and lost to Wisconsin, 3-1, last weekend. Head Coach **Lori Henery** has a 33-33-3 record in her fourth season at Ohio State. OSU is led by **Tiffany Tisdale** and **Lisa Suttmiller**, both with 13 points on the season.

THE SERIES—Minnesota is 3-0 against the Buckeyes and defeated them last season, 2-0, in Minneapolis.

GOPHER REWIND—

AGAINST MICHIGAN STATE—First the Gophers went to East Lansing, Mich., and escaped with a narrow 2-1 victory over the Spartans. Minnesota got on the board first as **Erin Hussey** connected on her eighth goal of the year. Michigan State tied the game and battled the Gophers tough until the 67 minute mark of the game when **CORINNE BOLDER (DALE CITY, VA/GAR-FIELD)** scored the gamewinner on an assist from **Jennifer McElmury**. Minnesota outshot MSU 15-9 and **Dana Larson** got her third win of the season.

AGAINST MICHIGAN— On Sunday, the Gophers went to Ann Arbor, Mich., and beat UM 4-2. Minnesota connected first as **Bolder** scored her fourth goal of the season, and third in three games, at the 9:57 mark unassisted. **Bolder** scored into the open net as Michigan's keeper **Jessica Jones** could not stop the shot by **McElmury**. **McElmury** answered with a goal of her own only three minutes later, on a **Bolder** assist, to put the Gophers up 2-0. Michigan stormed back with two goals by **Ruth Poulin**, but **Hussey** scored her ninth goal of the season at the 55:14 mark to put the Gophers ahead to stay. **Nicole Lee** finished the scoring for Minnesota at 67:54 on an assist from **MEGAN JOHNSON (ROSEMOUNT, MN/ROSEMOUNT)**. Minnesota outshot Michigan 28-23, and **Larson** made seven saves in getting her fourth win of the season.

MORE ABOUT MINNESOTA—

LAST YEAR COMPARED TO THIS YEAR—Even with the loss of **Jennifer Walek**, the Gophers are right on course with last season's record-breaking year. Through 13 games in 1995, Minnesota was 10-2-1, while in 1996 they are 10-3. The Gophers have seen a shift in offense versus defense in 1996 compared to the first 13 games last season. Minnesota averaged four goals a game, while giving up 1.15 goals a game with five shutouts. This year, Minnesota is averaging three goals a game, while giving up only one a game and posting six shutouts.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE—Sue Montagne is in her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 50-20-6 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

INJURY REPORT—**Jennifer Walek** and **NOELLE PAPPENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/BURNSVILLE)** are both out for the season with ACL injuries. **JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLIARD NORTH)** is still recovering from a stress fracture and will be out for the rest of the season.

GOALIE SHUFFLE—Minnesota is playing two keepers at the present time. **Teresa O'Hearn** started the season in goal and has seen action in 10 games, giving up eight goals, but **Dana Larson** has been seeing more action lately. **Larson** started both games over the weekend and has started four of the last six games, and has seen action in all six games. **Larson** has given up five goals and has a goals against average of 1.08, while **O'Hearn's** GAA is 0.97.

McELMURY CONTINUES TO SHINE—Jennifer McElmury is once again among the team and conference leaders in scoring and making a claim for her second straight season of all-America honors. After a slow start, McElmury has been Minnesota's main offensive threat since the loss of Jennifer Walek. McElmury has eight goals and six assists for 22 points this season, ranking her among the top five in the conference. Last year, the second-team all-America and first-team all-Big Ten and all-Great Lakes Region selection, had 12 goals and six assists for 30 points.

McELMURY MOVES INTO SECOND ON ALL-TIME SCORING LIST—With her four points over the weekend, Jennifer McElmury moved into second on the all-time scoring list surpassing former Gopher and third-team academic all-American recipient Gretchen Brandt. McElmury has 80 points in her illustrious career. Brandt recorded 79 points while playing for the Gophers from 1993-95. First on the all-time scoring list is Jennifer Walek, who has 142 points for her career.

LEE MAKING STRONG CASE FOR NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR HONORS—First-year forward Nicole Lee is making a strong attempt for Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors. Lee is seeing increased playing time filling in for Jennifer Walek and making the most of it. Through 13 games, Lee is third on the team in scoring with eight goals and four assists for 20 points and ranks in the top five in the Big Ten in scoring.

HUSSEY SOLID FOR GOPHERS—Erin Hussey is the team leader in scoring with nine goals and six assists for 24 points. Hussey is near the top of the Big Ten Conference in scoring, after being tied last week for the conference lead. She has scored a goal in the last three matches and in six of 13 games this year. Hussey exploded out of the gate this season with four goals and two assists against Valparaiso in the first match of the season. Hussey's four goals and 10 points were new Minnesota varsity records for goals and points scored in a match. For her efforts that week, Hussey was named Big Ten Player of the Week for September 3.

BOLDER BREAKING OUT—Sophomore Corinne Bolder has broken out of her season-long slump. A second-team all-Big Ten selection in 1995, Bolder had only one goal and one assist through 10 games, but has exploded in her last three contests. Bolder had a goal and an assist against UMD, then had a goal against Michigan State and a goal and assist against Michigan. Last season, Bolder had 11 goals and 11 assists for 33 points.

ATTENDANCE SOARS IN 1996—Minnesota, always a national leader in attendance, is doing it again this season averaging 630 fans a match. On the season, 3,784 fans have passed through the gates, including a record-setting 1,427 fans for the Wisconsin match.

WHAT'S NEXT—Minnesota travels Madison, Wis., Friday, Oct. 25, to play top-ranked North Carolina followed by a match Sunday, Oct. 27, against Northern Illinois. Game time Friday is 6 p.m., followed by a noon start on Sunday.

Cross Country

GOPHER REWIND—The cross country team, competing without top runner ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW), finished in eighth place with 280 points Saturday at the Auburn Invitational in Auburn, Ala. Newcomer MINNA HARONOJA (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA SECONDARY SCHOOL) was Minnesota's top finisher in 18:11, with teammate KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON) right behind in 18:12. Haronoja finished in 35th place and Thompson in 36th place. Senior KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/CLINTON-GRACEVILLE) was Minnesota's third finisher in 18:23, good for 55th place. Other Gophers to place in the top 100 in the field of 309 runners include JULIE GOLLA (ROCHESTER, MN/JOHN MARSHALL), BRIDGET NEUTGENS (OLIVIA, MN/BOLD), AMY HOEL (CORNELL, WI), and JANET HOWE (SIREN, WI). Janet Trujillo of Auburn was the top individual finisher in 17:09. William and Mary, with 115 points, was the overall team winner out of 42 teams competing, followed by Nebraska with 146 points and Coastal Carolina with 174.

Minnesota finishers

35. Minna Haronoja, 18:11. 36. Kari Thompson, 18:12. 55. Karen Kleindl, 18:23.3. 77. Julie Golla, 18:41. 89. Bridget Neutgens, 18:46.5. 92. Amy Hoel, 18:48.6. 100. Janet Howe, 18:52.7. 113. Danielle Giusti, 18:58.7. 116. Andrea Lentz, 18:59.5. 146. Gillian Haro, 19:25.0. 256. Keri Zweig, 21:03.

GOPHERS ILL—Sophomore Anna Gullingsrud became ill on Friday and did not make the trip with the rest of the team due to a stomach virus. Senior KERI ZWEIG (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA) became ill during the race. Zweig finished in 256th place after walking in the last part.

AMAZING ANNA—In each of the two races sophomore Anna Gullingsrud has competed in, she has broken the Minnesota record on the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. At the Minnesota Triangular, Gullingsrud won the race in a time of 17:24, breaking the old record of 17:33 set by Lori Townsend in 1995. Then at the Roy Griak Invitational, Gullingsrud shattered her own record set two weeks previously with a time of 16:50, 36 seconds faster than the previous record. Her time of 16:50 is the third-fastest time in Minnesota history on any course. Gullingsrud has a legitimate shot at breaking the Minnesota varsity record of 16:32.60 set by Jodi Eder at the University of Illinois in 1984.

UP NEXT—Minnesota travels to Ames, Iowa, for the Iowa State Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 19.

Tennis

TENNIS TEAM SPLITS SQUAD—Minnesota travels to Raleigh, NC, for the Wolfpack Invitational and Pacific Palisades, Calif., for the Riviera All-American Championships. Junior **JENNIFER HAYES** (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH) and sophomore **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI** (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR) received invitations to play in the pre-qualifying draw of the All-American, while the rest of the squad will travel to Raleigh for the Wolfpack Invitational.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota went 20-11 in singles and 9-4 in doubles in the season opener at the Notre Dame Invitational in South Bend, Ind. Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA** (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY) got her college career off to a rousing start by winning both the B singles and doubles title. Sauska, playing in her first tournament as a Gopher, won four matches en route to her first collegiate title. Sauska defeated **Brooke Hart** of Michigan, 6-3, 6-2, in the championship. Sauska also teamed with **JANA HRDINOVA** (PRAQUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON) to win the B doubles title. Sauska and Hrdinova defeated the team of **Cohen and Hall** of Purdue, 8-4, for the title.

Junior **JENNI SVEHLA** (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL) had a good tournament finishing third in the B singles draw after defeating **Tomeika Harris** of Michigan, 6-3, 6-4. Svehla went 3-1 on the weekend. **TARAH ELKINS** (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM) placed fifth in the B draw with a 6-3, 7-5 win over **Erryn Weggerman** of Michigan. **Alice Rangsithienchai** also finished fifth in the A singles draw with a victory over **Kelly Zelinski** of Notre Dame. The doubles team of **Elkins and Svehla** also won the consolation championship of the B flight defeating **Druce/Shapiro** of Illinois, 8-5.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK—Martin Novak is back for his seventh season as head coach of the Gophers. Last year, Novak led the Gophers to a 16-8 overall record and a 9-4 Big Ten mark, while achieving a national ranking of #31. Minnesota also advanced to the semifinals of the NCAA Midwest Regionals and placed in a tie for third at the Big Ten Tournament, the highest ever for a Minnesota squad.

SEASON OUTLOOK—After experiencing the best season in Minnesota tennis history and having everyone back but all-Big Ten player **Dana Peterson**, who became only the second player in Minnesota tennis history to receive an invitation to the NCAA Singles Championships, head coach **Martin Novak** is expecting big things from his squad in 1996-97. Making up for the loss of Peterson will be sophomore **Alice Rangsithienchai** and junior **Jennifer Hayes**. **Rangsithienchai** was named the Big Ten Newcomer of the Year after posting a 24-10 singles record and a 14-12 doubles record. She was named all-Big Ten and was ranked as high as #84 in the nation. **Hayes** finished 1996 strong as she had a 16-6 record over her last 22 matches and tied **Rangsithienchai** for the team lead in singles victories with 24. She also had a record of 19-8 at the #1 doubles position. Also returning for the Gophers are **Jenni Svehla**, **Ashley Fuller**

and sophomores **Tarah Elkins** and **Jana Hrdinova**. Add that to one of the best recruiting classes in Minnesota history with four top players **Nora Sauska**, **Kim Simonsen**, **Helen Wang** and **Meghan Donley**, and the Gophers should challenge for a top position regionally and nationally.

THE REST OF THE FALL SCHEDULE—After that, Minnesota has two weeks off before heading to Madison, Wis., for the Rolex Regionals and to Bloomington, Ind., for the Indiana Regional Invitational.

Golf

GOLFERS END SEASON ON WINNING NOTES AT WILDCAT INVITE--The University of Minnesota women's golf team concluded its fall season by winning its third consecutive tournament by posting a double win at Northwestern's Wildcat Invitational in Glencoe, Ill., Oct. 12-13. The Gophers won the team title and Minnesota junior **AMY DAHLE** (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE) was the tournament medalist. All the Gophers finished among the top 15.

Minnesota had rounds of 311, 307 and 310 to finish in first place at 928 in the field of six teams. Iowa was second at 937, and was followed by Northwestern (965), Northern Illinois (970), Notre Dame (976) and Wisconsin (978).

Dahle, with her first win of the fall season, finished at one-over par at 226 after rounds of 81, 70 and 74. Her second round five-under 70 is a Lakeshore Country Club course record for women, breaking the former record of 72. Iowa's **M.C. Mullen** was second, four strokes back at 230.

Senior **CAROLYN KLECKER** (RIVER FALLS, WI) tied for fifth with rounds of 78, 79 and 79 to finish at 236. Senior **CATHY LINDBLAD** (WILLMAR, MN) finished at 237 with a seventh-place tie after rounds of 79, 82 and 76. Sophomore **MELANIE LEPP** (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL) tied for 10th with scores of 79, 78 and 81 to finish at 238, while sophomore **DONNA BOOM** (ALBERT LEA, MN) finished at 239 and 12th place after rounds of 79, 80 and 80. Junior **KERI SAWVELL** (PRAIRIE DU CHEIN, WI) tied for 13th with scores of 75, 82 and 83 to finish at 240.

GOPHERS WIN HUSKIE INVITATIONAL — Minnesota won the Huskie Fall Classic in Genoa, Ill., Oct. 7. The Gophers' had scores of 315 and 319 to finish at 634, two strokes ahead of host school Northern Illinois.

Lindblad was the top Gopher in the field of 76 golfers, tying for second at 155 after rounds of 74 and 81. **Lepp** was fifth after scores of 81 and 78 to finish at 159. **Dahle** and **Sawvell** tied for ninth at 162 after **Dahle** had rounds of 82 and 80, and **Sawvell** carding 78 and 84. **Klecker** tied for 16th after marks of 84 and 80 to finish at 164, while junior **MICHELLE BALLOU** (CHASKA, MN) tied for 21st at 166 with scores of 82 and 84. **Boom** tied for 27th with scores of 85 and 84 to finish at 169.

Basketball

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SET TO OPEN PRACTICE—It is that time already as the Minnesota women's basketball team will kickoff the 1996-97 season with its first practice Tuesday evening at the Sports Pavilion beginning at 7 p.m. Minnesota, who was 4-23 overall and 0-16 in the Big Ten last season, returns seven players and adds two newcomers to its squad.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE—

Tuesday, Oct. 15	7-9:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Wednesday, Oct. 16	12:30-3 p.m.	Pavilion
Thursday, Oct. 17	12:30-3 p.m.	Bierman
Friday, Oct. 18	1-3:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Saturday, Oct. 19	8-10:30 a.m.	Rec Center
Sunday, Oct. 20	9-11:30 a.m.	Pavilion

Players and coaches are available for interviews Monday-Friday after practice. Please contact Lisa Nelson in the Sports Information Office at (612) 624-9396 to set up an interview.

MINNESOTA HIRES PEARSON AS THIRD ASSISTANT COACH—Head Coach Linda Hill-MacDonald hired former Gopher great Cara Pearson as the third assistant coach to complete her coaching staff. Pearson was a four-year letterwinner at Minnesota from 1992-95 and finished her career ranked 10th on the all-time scoring list at 1,018 points. Pearson was named honorable mention all-Big Ten twice in her career and won Minnesota MVP honors in 1995. For her career, she averaged 13 points and eight rebounds a game. She had been playing professionally in Luxembourg before coming back to the Gophers.

THE COACHING STAFF—Linda Hill-MacDonald enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 64-102 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to the NCAA Tournament in 1994, and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-America Carol Ann Shudlick. Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are Treka McMillan, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher Crystal Flint moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season.

THE TEAM—Minnesota returns seven players, in addition to two first-year athletes in 1996-97. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA)**. Iverson was the top rebounder for the Gophers in 1996, and ranked fifth in the Big Ten Conference at nine boards a game. Last season, Iverson shattered a Sports Pavilion record with 19 rebounds in a game against Northwestern. She also was the second leading scorer for the maroon and gold at 10 points a game. Also back for Minnesota is junior point guard **JAIMIE ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO)**, who was 11th in the Big Ten in assists per game at 3.1. Ellis is in the best shape of her career and looks to be a floor leader for the Gophers this year. Junior **SARAH SCHIEBER**

(**CALEDONIA, MN/CALEDONIA**) is also back this season after leading the Gophers in three point shooting. Schieber connected on 36 treys last season, sixth in the history of the program, and hit 41 percent from the field. Add that to **SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out of last season, and a talented sophomore crew of **MINDY HANSEN (CHASKA, MN/CHASKA)**, **LYNDA HASS (ST. FRANCIS, MN/ST. FRANCIS)** and **SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL)** and the Gophers have the basis of an upper division finish.

THE NEWCOMERS—Minnesota adds two newcomers to the roster this season in **KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)** and **ANDREA SEAGO (CHERRY VALLEY, IL/ROCKFORD GUILFORD)**. Burns, an all-state player, is a 5-7 lightning quick guard that plays both the one and the two. She likes to penetrate the lane and isn't afraid to take the ball to the basket. Seago, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster and is the first player from her conference to play in the Big Ten Conference. Seago averaged almost 15 points and 15 rebounds a game and will have to quickly learn the physical style of play in Big Ten to help Minnesota this season.

THE ROSTER—Minnesota has nine active players on this year's roster.

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Ht.	Hometown/High School
23	Kiauna Burns	G	Fr.	5-7	Litchfield, MN/Litchfield
15	Jaime Ellis	G	Jr.	5-9	Lake Oswego, OR/Lake Oswego
12	Mindy Hansen	G	So.	5-9	Chaska, MN/Chaska
32	Lynda Hass	F	So.	6-0	St. Francis, MN/St. Francis
53	Angie Iverson	F	Jr.	6-0	Owatonna, MN/Owatonna
45	Sarah Klun	F	So.	6-0	Madison, WI/LaFollette
21	Sonja Robinson	F	So.	5-10	Scottsdale, AZ/Chaparrel
14	Sarah Schieber	F/G	Jr.	5-11	Caledonia, MN/Caledonia
35	Andrea Seago	C	Fr.	6-3	Cherry Valley, IL/Rockford Guiliford

Head Coach: Linda Hill-MacDonald (West Chester State, 1970)
Assistant Coaches: Treka McMillan (South Carolina, 1992), Crystal Flint (Minnesota, 1995), Cara Pearson (Minnesota, 1996)

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers have already suffered some major injuries and the season has not even begun yet. All-Big Ten honorable mention center **CHERI STAFFORD (HAM LAKE, MN/BLAINE)** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons and doctors advised her to quit playing. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Also, point guard **SWANTRECA TAYLOR (DONALDSONVILLE, LA/COMO PARK (MN))** will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health problems. Taylor was the backup to Jaime Ellis last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

THE SCHEDULE—Minnesota plays a tough schedule once again as many nationally-ranked teams will invade the Sports Pavilion in 1996-97. The Gophers open the season Thursday, Nov. 14, with an exhibition game against the Eastern European Select Team at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota then travels to Macomb, Ill., to open the season Friday, Nov. 21, against Western Illinois. The Gophers then have their regular season home opener Sunday, Nov. 24, against Iowa State before hosting the Dial Soap Classic Saturday, Nov. 30 and Sunday, Dec. 1 at the Sports Pavilion.

Softball

GOPHER REWIND--Minnesota went 3-2-1 and tied for first place at the Big Ten Fall Umpires Clinic. Minnesota tied with Iowa for first followed by Wisconsin and Northwestern. In the Gophers' three wins, **WENDY LOGUE (MILAN, IL/MILAN)** threw three shutouts for Minnesota's three wins.

Swimming and Diving

SWIMMING AND DIVING HOLDS ANNUAL ALUM MEET--The University of Minnesota's men's and women's swimming and diving teams host their annual Alum Meet as part of the University's Homecoming activities on Saturday, Oct. 19. The meet starts at 12 noon at the University Aquatic Center.

Midway through the meet, **George Bledsoe** will be inducted into the University of Minnesota Aquatics Hall of Fame. Bledsoe retired in this past spring after nearly 25 years as pool operator, first at Cooke Hall, and then at the University Aquatic Center since it opened in 1990. There will also be an all-alumni recognition on the bulk head.

As of: October 12, 1996
 Michigan
 19 Matches played
 13 Wins, 6 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

# Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1 Baker, B.	19	52	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	63
2 Fiamengo, T.	19	64	134	47	304	.286	39	0	0	10	1	26	91
3 Miller, M.	18	32	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	3	0	3	20
4 McDonell, J.	19	41	49	27	121	.182	2	0	0	7	2	14	65
6 Hebert, H.	18	31	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	4	0	0	19
7 Baynes, T.	15	51	92	42	231	.216	8	0	0	12	14	57	65
8 DeDecker, K.	19	66	409	101	939	.328	21	0	0	22	15	46	183
9 Passer, J.	19	66	199	60	435	.320	14	0	0	15	9	71	158
10 Pearman, S.	19	65	196	105	512	.178	25	1	****	12	4	29	237
13 Bauer, B.	18	62	70	24	167	.275	843	0	0	18	5	50	119
14 Shudlick, S.	15	38	0	0	3	.000	11	0	0	4	0	0	33
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS	19	66	1159	408	2733	.275	1033	1	****	113	50	296	1053
TEAM BLOCKS:	198												

Negatives

Per Game Average

# Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1 Baker, B.	52	0	2	0	10	0.00	0.04	0.12	1.21	0.00	0.23
2 Fiamengo, T.	64	1	1	7	24	2.09	0.61	0.16	1.42	0.42	0.50
3 Miller, M.	32	0	0	1	7	0.31	2.09	0.09	0.63	0.09	0.25
4 McDonell, J.	41	0	8	2	13	1.20	0.05	0.17	1.59	0.39	0.56
6 Hebert, H.	31	0	4	0	2	0.00	0.03	0.13	0.61	0.00	0.19
7 Baynes, T.	51	2	3	5	29	1.80	0.16	0.24	1.27	1.39	0.73
8 DeDecker, K.	66	2	21	3	50	6.20	0.32	0.33	2.77	0.92	1.12
9 Passer, J.	66	1	5	4	19	3.02	0.21	0.23	2.39	1.21	0.42
10 Pearman, S.	65	2	20	3	46	3.02	0.38	0.18	3.65	0.51	1.06
13 Bauer, B.	62	19	0	8	24	1.13	13.60	0.29	1.92	0.89	0.52
14 Shudlick, S.	38	0	0	0	9	0.00	0.29	0.11	0.87	0.00	0.24
0	0	0	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS	66	27	65	33	233	17.56	15.65	1.71	15.95	3.00	5.02

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Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15,12-15,15- 8,14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15,13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15- 4,15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15- 6,15-13,15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15,15- 6,15- 7,15- 2		
#19 Georgia Tech	Loss 2-3	9-13-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 14-16,15- 9,15- 8, 7-15,12-15		
Marshall	Win 3-0	September 14, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 3,15-12,15- 8		
Arkansas	Win 3-0	9-14-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15- 7,16-14,15- 9		
Providence	Win 3-1	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15- 7,14-16,15- 1,15- 4		
Dartmouth	Win 3-0	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-10,15- 5,15- 5		
Bucknell	Win 3-0	Sept. 21, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-11,15- 4,15- 7		
Boston College	Win 3-0	Sept. 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-13,15- 0,15- 2		
* #2 Penn State	Loss 0-3	September 27, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 11-15, 3-15,12-15		
* #8 Ohio State	Win 3-0	September 28, 1996	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15-12,15-13,15-11		
* Iowa	Win 3-2	October 4, 1996	Iowa City, Iowa
	Game scores: 14-16,13-15,15-11,17-15,15-13		
* Illinois	Win 3-1	October 5, 1996	Champaign, Ill.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15-13,13-15,15-13		
* #9 Wisconsin	Loss 0-3	October 9, 1996	Madison, Wis.
	Game scores: 9-20,10-19,10-16		
* Michigan	Win 3-0	October 12, 1996	Ann Arbor, Mich.
	Game scores: 15-12,15- 6,15-11		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ----- Overall -- 13- 6
Conference -- 4- 2

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	at Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		NA
Sept. 2	at Butler	W	3-1	2-0		NA
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	at #4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	vs. #14 Washington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*at Penn State	L	3-2 (OT)	6-2	0-1	NA
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W	1-0	7-2	1-1	442
Sept. 28	*#16 Wisconsin	L	3-1	7-3	1-2	1,427
Oct. 6	Minnesota-Duluth	W	5-0	8-3		587
Oct. 11	* at Michigan State	W	2-1	9-3	2-2	88
Oct. 13	* at Michigan	W	4-2	10-3	3-2	347
Oct. 18	* Indiana					
Oct. 20	* Ohio State					
Oct. 25	vs. North Carolina					
Oct. 27	vs. Northern Illinois					
Nov. 3	Evansville					

*Big Ten Conference match

Overall Record: 10-3
 Home Record: 5-1
 Away Record: 4-2
 Neutral Record: 1-0
 Overtime Record: 0-1

Big Ten Record: 3-2
 Home Record: 1-1
 Away Record: 2-1

Goals for: 36

Goals Against: 14

Goals for, first half: 10
 Goals for, second half: 26
 Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 6
 Goals against, second half: 7
 Goals against, overtime: 1

Home Attendance: 3784/ 630 per match

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points			
Erika Berghauer	2	0	0	1	0	0			
Corinne Bolder	13	13	4	27	3	11			
Sarah Conners	7	0	1	7	1	3			
Michealene Denney	13	13	1	4	0	2			
Rose Grimm	2	0	0	0	0	0			
Erin Hussey	13	13	9	33	6	24			
Allison Johnson	13	13	0	4	0	0			
Megan Johnson	10	7	0	7	8	8			
Amy Koehler	10	0	1	2	0	2			
Erika Kruse	9	0	0	0	0	0			
Nicole Lee	13	9	8	21	4	20			
Jennifer McElmury	13	13	8	56	6	22			
Dorsey Nelson	6	0	0	0	0	0			
Jaime O'Gara	3	0	0	0	0	0			
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Kristen Peterson	5	0	0	3	0	0			
Kelly Shea	13	13	1	7	1	3			
Colleen Tierney	3	0	0	1	0	0			
Vanessa Touset	13	13	0	9	0	0			
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	12	1	7			
Jamie Wyffels	13	13	0	1	0	0			
Totals	13	13	36	206	30	102			

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	10	9	745	8	45	0.97	3	2
Dana Larson	6	4	415	5	25	1.08	1	2
Totals		13	1155	13	70	1.01	4	2

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
54	83	0

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	10	26	0	0	36
Opponents	6	7	1	0	14

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Fall Statistics

		Fall							
		Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Total	Place	Str	Rds	Avg
9/14-15/96	Minnesota Invite	312	307		619	2nd/15 teams	619	2	309.50
9/20-22/96	Lady Northern	319	311	323	953	8th/15 teams	1572	5	314.40
9/28-29/96	Lady Badger	312	321	305	938	1st/11 teams	2510	8	313.75
10/5-6/96	Huskie Classic	315	319		634	1st/13 teams	3144	10	314.40
10/12-13/96	Northwestern Invite	311	307	310	928	1st/6 teams	4072	13	313.23
10/13/96	Gopher Fall Classic	no team scoring							

	Minnesota Invite (74)			Lady Northern (74)				Lady Badger (72)				Huskie Classic (72)			Northwestern Invite (75)				
	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	
Michelle Ballou	81	79	160	84	78	80	242					82	84	166				t-21st	
Donna Boom	85	80	165									85	84	169	79	80	80	239	12th
Amy Dahle	80	76	156	78	78	83	239	77	81	76	234	82	80	162	81	70	75	226	1st
Glenna Gilbert	87	84	171																
Carolyn Klecker	75	77	152	80	79	80	239	80	79	73	232	84	80	164	78	79	79	236	t-5th
Melanie Lepp	85	78	163					77	80	85	242	81	78	159	79	78	81	238	t-10th
Cathy Lindblad	83	80	163	84	76	83	243	78	81	75	234	74	81	155	79	82	76	237	t-7th
Emily Norby																			
Marcy Savage	82	82	164																
Keri Sawvell	76	75	151	78	79	83	240	86	81	81	248	78	84	162	75	82	83	240	t-13th
Jenny Trenda	79	80	159	83	82	80	245												
Kristi Weichert	86	78	164																

	Gopher Invite (74)*#		Fall 1996			Career Fall			Career		
	R1	Tot.	Str.	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou	81	81	649	8	81.13	816	10	81.60	1256	15	83.73
Donna Boom			573	7	81.86	734	9	81.56	1163	14	83.07
Amy Dahle			1017	13	78.23	2997	38	78.87	5770	72	80.14
Glenna Gilbert			171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker			1023	13	78.69	3141	39	80.54	6171	76	81.20
Melanie Lepp			802	10	80.20	1941	24	80.88	2725	33	82.58
Cathy Lindblad			1032	13	79.38	2432	30	81.07	3611	44	82.07
Emily Norby	87	87	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00
Marcy Savage	89	89	253	3	84.33	672	8	84.00	672	8	84.00
Keri Sawvell			1041	13	80.08	2432	30	81.07	2925	36	81.25
Jenny Trenda	83	83	487	6	81.17	1151	14	82.21	2124	25	84.96
Kristi Weichert	82	82	246	3	82.00	419	5	83.80	419	5	83.80

* par

competed as individuals, no team scoring

University of Minnesota Women's Golf 1996-97 Player by Player Summary

Player	Tourn- aments	Rounds/ Counted	Strokes	Avg	Best Rounds				Under			Top 5 Finishes	Top 10 Finishes	Top 20 Finishes
					18	36*	54	72	Par	Par	Wins			
Michelle Ballou	3	5/4	649	81.13	78	160	242		0	0	1	1	1	2
Donna Boom	3	7/2	573	81.86	79	165	239		0	0	0	0	0	0
Amy Dahle	5	13/11	1017	78.23	70	156	226		1	1	1	2	4	5
Glenna Gilbert	1	2/0	171	85.50	84	171			0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolyn Klecker	5	13/11	1023	78.69	73	152	232		0	0	0	3	3	4
Melanie Lepp	4	10/6	802	80.20	77	159	238		0	0	0	1	2	3
Cathy Lindblad	5	13/8	1032	79.38	74	155	234		0	0	0	2	3	3
Emily Norby	1	1/0	87	87.00	87				0	0	0	0	0	0
Marcy Savage	2	2/0	253	84.33	82	164			0	0	0	0	0	0
Keri Sawvell	5	13/9	1041	80.08	75	151	240		0	1	0	1	2	3
Jenny Trendera	3	5/2	487	81.17	79	159	245		0	0	0	1	1	2
Kristi Weichert	2	2/0	246	82.00	78	164			0	0	0	1	1	1

*Low 36-hole tournament score

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins							3-1		3-1	.750
Jennifer Hayes							0-3		0-3	.000
Jana Hrdinova							2-2		2-2	.500
Alice Rangsithienchai							3-1		3-1	.750
Nora Sauska							4-0		4-0	1.00
Kim Simonsen							2-2		2-2	.500
Jenni Svehla							3-1		3-1	.750
Helen Wang							3-1		3-1	.750
Totals							20-11		20-11	.645

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				3-1		3-1	.750
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-3		0-3	.000
Simonsen/Wang				2-2		2-2	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-0		4-0	1.00
				9-6		9-6	.600

1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/7	Intrasquad/Alumni (St. Paul, MN)	Gold 27 Maroon 28		10/26	Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)
9/14	Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd (36 points)		11/2	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)
9/21	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	2nd (81 points)		11/16	at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)
9/28	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)	10th (272 points)		11/25	at NGA/A Championships (Tucson, AZ)
10/12	at Auburn Invitational (Auburn, AL)				
10/19	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)				

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (4,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)	20:31 (M171/4th)	DNC				
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)	20:35 (M177/5th)	DNC				
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)	19:46 (M95/1st)	DNC				
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st /1st)	DNC	16:50 (5th/1st)	DNC				
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)	19:03 (141st/12th)	18:58.7 (113th/7th)				
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC	18:37 (99th/5th)	DNC				
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)	18:51 (125th/10th)	19:25.0 (146th/9th)				
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC	18:12 (60th/3rd)	18:11.0 (35th/1st)				
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNF	DNC				
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC	18:39 (102nd/6th)	18:48.6 (92nd/5th)				
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)	18:43 (109th/8th)	18:52.7 (110th/6th)				
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC	18:47 (115th/9th)	DNC				
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)	20:19 (M145/2nd)	DNC				
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)	19:51 (177th/16th)	DNC				
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC	18:20 (74th/4th)	18:23.3 (55th/3rd)				
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC	18:58 (135th/11th)	18:59.9 (116th/8th)				
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)	20:48 (M201/6th)	DNC				
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC				
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)	21:44 (105th/9th)	20:22 (M153/3rd)	DNC				
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC	18:42 (107th/7th)	18:46.5 (89th/4th)				
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)	19:42 (173rd/15th)	DNC				
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)	19:23 (155th/14th)	DNC				
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC	17:57 (40th/2nd)	18:12.0 (36th/2nd)				
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC	19:05 (144th/13th)	21:03.0 (256th/10th)				



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, October 25		
SC vs. North Carolina (Madison, WI)		6 p.m.
VB at Michigan State (East Lansing, MI)		6 p.m.
Saturday, October 26		
CC hosts Minnesota Open	10 a.m.	
SW hosts Intrasquad Meet	12 noon	
VB at Northwestern	7:30 p.m.	
Sunday, October 27		
SC vs. N. Illinois (Madison, WI)	12 noon	

Soccer

MINNESOTA TAKES ON NATIONAL POWER NORTH CAROLINA—#17 Minnesota, 12-3 overall and 5-2 in the Big Ten, faces its biggest test in the short four-year history of the program when it travels to Madison, Wis., Friday, Oct. 25, to play #2 North Carolina. Match time is 6 p.m. The Gophers will then play Northern Illinois Sunday, Oct. 27, at 1 p.m. in Madison.

ABOUT MINNESOTA—Minnesota, ranked 17th in the latest NSCAA poll, has won seven of its last nine matches and five in a row. The five-match winning streak ties the longest streak in Gophers' history. Minnesota has shined on defense this season allowing an average of one goal a game and posting seven shutouts. Offensively, Minnesota is down in scoring after the loss of **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL)** to ACL surgery, but is still getting the job done posting a better record in 1996, than in its Big Ten Championship season last year. Minnesota has turned to senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)**, second team All-America **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN)** and newcomer **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK)** for its scoring punch. Hussey leads the Big Ten in scoring with 27 points, followed closely by McElmury at 26 points and Lee at 20. Minnesota had three of the top four scorers in the Conference.

The Gophers have also gotten great play in the nets as **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)** and **DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OH/HAYES)** have shared time. O'Hearn has started nine matches, recording three shutouts, two shared shutouts and posting a goals against average of 0.97. Larson has gotten the start in the last four matches and has a 6-1 record and a GAA of 1.06.

ABOUT NORTH CAROLINA—#2 North Carolina, 12-1 overall and 4-0 in the ACC, is a national powerhouse in women's soccer. The Tarheels have won 12 NCAA Championships, the most championships of a team sport for any school in the nation. UNC won the adidas Challenge Cup over the weekend in Houston with victories over Vanderbilt, 4-0, and Texas A&M, 3-0. Head Coach Anson Dorrance has a career-record of 360-11-10 in this his 18th year at UNC. The Tarheels are led by Robin Confer and Debbie Keller, who are tied with nine goals and six assists for 24 points. In goal for NC is Siri Mullinix, who has a goals against average of 0.41 in 12 games. Gretchen Overgaard has also seen action in 10 games for the Tarheels and has a GAA of 0.36.

THE SERIES—This is the first match between the two schools.

ABOUT NORTHERN ILLINOIS—The Huskies are 4-11 overall and 2-5 in the MCC. NIU has lost six straight matches setting a program record and has been outscored 24-3 during that streak. Head Coach Frank Horvat has a 32-37-3 record, now in his fourth season at Northern Illinois. The Huskies are led by forward Allison Wade who has 12 goals and four assists for 28 points. Wade, a transfer from Indiana, has been limited lately due to an injured right hip. Midfielder Anne Mucci has seven goals and seven assists on the year for 21 points, while Kerri Franklin is the only other NIU player in double figures with five goals and three assists for 13 points. Stefanie Maurer is the keeper for NIU, posting a 4-9 record with a GAA of 2.53 and no shutouts.

THE SERIES—Minnesota leads the series 3-0, winning the last matchup, 10-0, last year at the St. Paul Campus Field.

GOPHER REWIND—

AGAINST OHIO STATE— The University of Minnesota soccer team won its fifth consecutive match and secured the third seed in the Big Ten Conference Tournament with a 1-0 victory over Ohio State at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Minnesota scored the lone goal of the game at the 14:44 mark when Erin Hussey scored her 10th goal of the season on a crossing pass from MEGAN JOHNSON (ROSEMOUNT, MN/ROSEMOUNT) at the 14:44. Dana Larson got her sixth win of the season in posting her second shutout and the team's seventh of the year. Larson made seven saves in the match.

AGAINST INDIANA— Minnesota, behind two goals by junior All-America Jennifer McElmury, defeated Indiana, 2-1, Friday at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Indiana scored first as Amy Friederich headed the ball in off a corner kick from Emily Etzkorn at the 25:00 minute mark of the first half. Minnesota players and coaches argued that it was a hand-ball, but to no avail as the goal was allowed. Minnesota then answered at the 33:40 mark on a goal from McElmury off an assist from senior Erin Hussey. Hussey headed the ball to McElmury, who then put it past Indiana goalkeeper Merit Elzey. McElmury connected on her 10th goal after she was taken down in the goal box and was awarded a penalty kick. McElmury scored low and to Elzey's right at the 48:34 mark of the game to give Minnesota the win. The Gophers outshot Indiana, 14-8, and keeper Dana Larson picked up her fifth victory of the season after making five saves.

MORE ABOUT MINNESOTA—

LAST YEAR COMPARED TO THIS YEAR—Even with the loss of Jennifer Walek, the Gophers are right on course with last season's record-breaking year. Through 15 games in 1995, Minnesota was 11-2-2, while in 1996 they are 12-3. The Gophers have seen a shift in offense versus defense in 1996 compared to the first 15 games last season. Minnesota averaged four goals a game, while giving up 1.15 goals a game with five shutouts in 1995. This year, Minnesota is averaging three goals a game, while giving up only one a game and posting seven shutouts.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE—Sue Montagne is in her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 52-20-6 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

INJURY REPORT—Jennifer Walek and NOELLE PAPENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/BURNSVILLE) are both out for the season with ACL injuries. JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLARD NORTH) is still recovering from a stress fracture and will be out for the rest of the season after being granted a medical hardship.

GOALIE SHUFFLE; LARSON IS IN—Minnesota has had a changing of the guard in goal as newcomer Dana Larson has assumed the starting keeper duties. Larson, 6-1 on the season, has seen action in seven games, starting the last four. She has given up seven goals and has a GAA of 1.06, while making 37 saves. Senior Teresa O'Hearn started the season in goal, seeing

action in 10 games and giving up only eight goals. O'Hearn has a record of 7-2 and a goals against average of 0.97.

MCELMURY CONTINUES TO SHINE—Jennifer McElmury is once again among the team and conference leaders in scoring and making a claim for her second straight season of All-America honors. After a slow start, McElmury has been Minnesota's main offensive threat since the loss of Jennifer Walek. McElmury has 10 goals and six assists for 26 points this season, ranking her second in the conference behind Erin Hussey. Last year, the second-team all-American and first-team all-Big Ten and all-Great Lakes Region selection, had 12 goals and six assists for 30 points.

MCELMURY MOVES INTO SECOND ON ALL-TIME SCORING LIST—Jennifer McElmury moved into second place on the Gophers' all-time scoring list surpassing former Gopher and third-team academic all-American recipient Gretchen Brandt. McElmury has 84 points in her illustrious career. Brandt recorded 79 points while playing for the Gophers from 1993-95. First on the all-time scoring list is Jennifer Walek, who has 142 points for her career.

MOVE OVER AGAIN GRETCHEN—Erin Hussey moved into third place on the all-time scoring list Sunday with a goal against Ohio State. Hussey has 80 points in her career, while Gretchen Brandt has 79. Next up is teammate Jennifer McElmury at 84.

LEE MAKING STRONG CASE FOR NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR HONORS—First-year forward Nicole Lee is making a strong attempt for Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors. Lee is seeing increased playing time filling in for Jennifer Walek and making the most of it. Through 15 games, Lee is third on the team in scoring with eight goals and four assists for 20 points and ranks in the top five in the Big Ten in scoring.

HUSSEY SOLID FOR GOPHERS—Erin Hussey is the team leader in scoring with 10 goals and seven assists for 27 points. Hussey leads the Big Ten Conference in scoring, but is being trailed closely by Jennifer McElmury. Hussey has scored a goal in four of the Gophers' last five games and has a five-game scoring streak with an assists against Indiana Friday. Hussey exploded out of the gate this season with four goals and two assists against Valparaiso in the first match of the season. Hussey's four goals and 10 points were new Minnesota varsity records for goals and points scored in a match. For her efforts that week, Hussey was named Big Ten Player of the Week for September 3.

DENNEY ANCHORS THE DEFENSE—Defender MIKKI DENNEY (OMAHA, NE/MARIAN/NORTH CAROLINA) is the anchor of the Minnesota defense that has allowed only 15 goals and recorded seven shutouts in 15 games this season, better than its Big Ten Championship number from last season. Denney is also contributing offensively, scoring the first goal of her career against Wisconsin.

BOLDER BREAKING OUT—Sophomore Corinne Bolder has broken out of her season-long slump. A second-team all-Big Ten selection in 1995, Bolder had only one goal and one assist through 10 games, but has exploded in the last three weeks. Bolder had a goal and an assist against UMD, then had a goal against Michigan State and a goal and assist against Michigan. Last season, Bolder had 11 goals and 11 assists for 33 points.

MEGAN JOHNSON: THE PLAYMAKER—Although she has not put the ball in the net yet, Megan Johnson has become the playmaker for the Gophers. Johnson, who moved from defense to midfielder in the middle of the season, has nine assists for the Gophers and currently ranks fifth on the team in scoring.

HOME IS WHERE THE WINS ARE—Minnesota has a storied tradition at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field as it has posted a 7-1 record this season and has an overall record of 21-2-3 (.840) in the three-year history of the program at the St. Paul Field. Minnesota played its first season at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium and posted a 6-1 record.

MINNESOTA VS. NATIONALLY-RANKED—Minnesota is 1-2 this season against ranked teams with a clash against North Carolina still to play this week. Minnesota defeated #14 Washington, 2-1, and lost a close match against #4 Portland, 3-2, at Portland. Minnesota then fell to #16 Wisconsin, 3-1.

THE POLLS—Minnesota currently ranks #17 in the latest NSCAA Soccer Poll and #15 in Soccer America. The Gophers have tumbled a bit after being ranked 10th in the nation earlier in the season.

NSCAA/Umbro Select Women's Rankings

1. Notre Dame	13-1-0	369
2. North Carolina	10-1-0	359
3. Santa Clara	11-2-0	343
4. Connecticut	13-1-0	334
5. Maryland	15-0-1	314
6. Nebraska	13-0-0	296
7. Portland	8-0-2	292
8. Texas A&M	13-1-0	268
9. Florida	11-1-0	256
10. Clemson	9-3-1	222
11. Wisconsin	9-2-2	219
12. Virginia	8-3-2	209
13. Harvard	9-0-0	206
14. Massachusetts	10-0-1	180
15. Penn State	9-2-2	167
16. California	9-1-1	152
17. MINNESOTA	10-3-0	139
18. UNCG	10-3-0	115
19. James Madison	8-3-1	89
20. San Diego	7-2-1	86
21. Vanderbilt	8-6-0	68
22. Kentucky	8-2-2	56
23. George Mason	7-4-0	42
24. Colgate	11-1-0	34
25. NC State	8-4-1	25

SOCCKER AMERICA/SOCCKER NEWS POLLS—The follow-

ing is the rankings for Soccer America and Soccer News. Where each team ranks in Soccer America will appear first followed by the Soccer News ranking.

Soccer America	Soccer News
1. Notre Dame	1
2. Santa Clara	3
3. North Carolina	2
4. Connecticut	4
5. Nebraska	5
6. Portland	7
7. Texas A&M	9
8. Florida	10
9. Maryland	6
10. Virginia	12
11. Massachusetts	8
12. Wisconsin	14
13. UNC Greensboro	18
14. Clemson	13
15. MINNESOTA	17
16. Penn State	16
17. Harvard	11
18. NC State	20
19. George Mason	19
20. James Madison	23

Others ranked in Soccer News: Kentucky (15), California (21), Rutgers (22); Wake Forest (24); George Washington (25).

MINNESOTA IN THE REGIONAL RANKINGS--As of last week, Erin Hussey ranked 10th in the Great Lakes region for total points with 24. Tracie Strother of Eastern Illinois and Jenny Streiffer of Notre Dame lead with 41 points. Megan Johnson ranked ninth in assists with eight, while the Minnesota offense was fourth in the region at 2.77 goals a game.

ATTENDANCE SOARS IN 1996—Minnesota, always a national leader in attendance, is doing it again this season as it is averaging 571 fans a match. On the season, 4,571 fans have passed through the gates, including a record-setting 1,427 fans for the Wisconsin match. Minnesota currently ranks second in the region, behind Notre Dame, in average attendance.

WCCO RADIO AND THE COACH—Sue Montagne will be the featured guest this week during the WCCO 8•3•0 Women's Athletics Update. Airtimes are Tuesday afternoon at 3:40 p.m. during the "Cannon Mess" and again Wednesday morning at 8:50 a.m. for the "Good Morning Show."

WHAT'S NEXT—Minnesota returns home to host Evansville, Sunday, Nov. 3, in the final regular-season match before heading to Columbus, Ohio, for the Big Ten Championships. Minnesota is the third-seed at the Big Ten Championships.

Volleyball

SPIKERS TRAVEL TO BIG TEN LEADING MICHIGAN STATE THEN NORTHWESTERN THIS WEEKEND —

The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 15-6 overall and 6-2 in the Big Ten, completes the first half of the Big Ten season with matches at conference-leading Michigan State on Friday, Oct. 25, and Northwestern on Saturday, Oct. 26.

GOPHERS TIED FOR SECOND IN BIG TEN WITH 6-2 MARK —

The Gophers are currently tied with Penn State and Wisconsin at 6-2 for second-place in the Big Ten standings. Michigan State leads the way with an 8-0 mark. Minnesota was picked to finish eighth in the conference in a preseason poll of conference coaches.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— The maroon and gold is led by senior **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. DeDecker is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is 117 kills away from **Andrea Gonzalez'** record. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MINN/BELLE PLAINE)** and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine
Off the Bench:				
DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

BIG TEN STANDINGS (as of Oct. 21)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Michigan State	8	0	1.000	14	4	.778
Penn State	6	2	.750	17	2	.895
Wisconsin	6	2	.750	16	2	.889
MINNESOTA	6	2	.750	15	6	.714
Ohio State	5	3	.625	16	3	.842
Illinois	4	4	.500	9	7	.563
Purdue	3	5	.375	10	10	.500
Iowa	3	5	.375	8	11	.421
Michigan	2	6	.250	7	12	.368
Indiana	1	7	.125	7	13	.350
Northwestern	0	8	.000	9	12	.429

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

MICHIGAN STATE— Michigan State is 14-4 overall on the year and leads the Big Ten with a perfect 8-0 mark. The Spartans, ranked #7 in last week's poll, have won 12 consecutive matches heading into Friday's clash with the Gophers. MSU's four losses on the season all have come at the hands of teams ranked in the nation's top ten; Stanford, Texas and twice defending national champion Nebraska. A very talented Michigan State squad is led by a pair of returning AVCA first team all-Americans, Val Sterk and Dana Cooke. Sterk is having a phenomenal season thus far, leading the team with 295 kills and a .456 attack percentage which is second-best in the nation. Sterk also tops the Spartans in total blocks with 85. Cooke owns a team-high 207 digs on the season, along with 173 kills and 65 total blocks. Sophomore outside hitter Jenna Wrobel was an AVCA National Player of the Week recipient earlier this season and is right behind Sterk in the kill category with 293. Julie Pavlus feeds all this Spartan firepower from her setter position where she has collected 861 assists on the season.

Michigan State head coach Chuck Erbe is in his fourth season with the Spartans and sports a 74-44 (.627) record. Erbe led the Spartans to an impressive 34-3 mark in 1995, a season which was concluded with MSU's first Big Ten championship and a trip to the national semifinals. The Spartans season was ended by a loss to eventual national champion Nebraska.

The Series—Minnesota owns a 23-8 lead in the series with Michigan State. The Gophers have won seven of the last ten matches, but the Spartans own wins in the last three matches of the series, including two 3-0 victories last season.

NORTHWESTERN --The Wildcats are 9-12 overall and 0-8 in the Big Ten heading into Friday's match with Wisconsin, prior to Saturday's contest against Minnesota. A young Northwestern team has struggled on offense and owns just an .187 attack percentage with one frosh and two sophomores as its top three hitters. Newcomer outside hitter Jennifer Zagorski lead the team in kills with 249 but it hitting .194. Sophomore outside hitter Jessica Holloway has 238 kills and a .164 attack percentage, while sophomore middle hitter Melissa Doan checks in with a .team-best .218 attack percentage and 204 kills.

Wildcat head coach Margie Fitzpatrick is in her third season with Northwestern and owns a 26-57 (.313) record. Fitzpatrick, a former player and coach at Wisconsin, is just the third coach in the history of Northwestern volleyball.

The Series—Minnesota owns a 20-13 lead in the series with Northwestern. The Gophers won both matches last season by 3-0 scores, improving their winning streak to five consecutive matches over the Wildcats. Minnesota has also won nine of the last ten matches in the series.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region

berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 587-261 and a .692 winning percentage. While at Illinois, **Hebert** had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—Maurice Batie and Nao Ikeda enter their first seasons at Minnesota and third with Mike Hebert. Batie and Ikeda worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

GOPHER REWIND— Minnesota captured a pair of big home victories, over Indiana and Purdue, last weekend to move into a tie for second in the Big Ten standings. The Gophers, 15-6 overall and 6-2 in the Big Ten, have now won three straight matches and 12 of their last 14 contests.

THE INDIANA MATCH: The largest crowd of the season, 2,124 fans, saw the Gophers hand Indiana a 3-1 setback by modified TV format scores of 12-7, 10-11, 16-10, 17-8. **Katrien DeDecker** smacked 24 kills to charge the Minnesota offense, which hit .333 as a team in the match. Three other Gophers collected double-figure kill totals as well. **Tara Baynes** coupled 13 kills on offense with eight blocks on defense. **Jane Passer** hit 11 kills and **Tera Fiamengo** landed 10 kills while hitting .556.

THE PURDUE MATCH: **Katrien DeDecker** smashed 28 kills and surpassed 2,000 kills in her career in leading the Gophers to a 15-6, 6-15, 15-7, 15-13 win over Purdue in their last outing. **Jane Passer** contributed one of her best all-around matches of the season in nailing 11 kills in 21 attempts for a .476 attack percentage, stuffing seven total blocks and collecting 18 digs. **Becky Bauer** was credited with 48 assists and hit seven kills in 11 attempts without an error for an impressive .636 hitting percentage.

WIN TOTAL BETTERS '95 MARK — With two wins over the weekend, Minnesota's 15 wins on the season surpasses the win total from the entire 1995 season when the Gophers finished 13-17.

GAME RECORD FALLS VS. INDIANA — The Gophers set a Sports Pavilion single-game record against Indiana by hitting .733 as a team in the match's fourth game. In that deciding game, Minnesota hit 11 kills in 15 attempts without committing a single attacking error.

DeDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH—Senior **Katrien DeDecker** continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, DeDecker is only 117 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. Earlier this season against Iowa, she moved into second-place surpassing **Chris Schaefer's** total of 1,896 career kills and now has 2,203 kills in her illustrious career. **DeDecker** has moved on to the list in career digs as well and is currently ninth with 930. She also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks

and service aces. **DeDecker** is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

DeDECKER HITS 2,000TH KILL — In a season of milestones, **Katrien DeDecker** surpassed yet another one when she hit her 2,000th career kill in the match against Purdue last Saturday. She is just the third player, and second Gopher, in Big Ten history to reach the 2,000-kill plateau. Minnesota's **Andrea Gonzalez** (1985-88) was the first player to accomplish the feat and still owns the Big Ten career kill record at 2,140. Purdue's **Debbie McDonald** (1986-89) is second on the list with 2,108 career kills.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN — **Katrien DeDecker** is moving up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. **DeDecker's** 24 kills against Indiana and 28 kills versus Purdue were the 11th and 12th times this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has five 30-plus kill matches in her career.

LEADING THE NATION — **Katrien DeDecker's** 6.20 kills per game led the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. Central Florida's **Renata Menchikova** was second in the national statistics at 6.03 kills a game. **DeDecker** improved her average to 6.23 kills per game heading into the this week's release of the national statistics on Thursday.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — **Becky Bauer** was also listed among the national statistics ranked eighth in assists per game at 13.60. As a team, Minnesota ranked seventh in kills per game (17.56) and assists per game (15.65) and 14th in hitting percentage (.275).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	5-2
Road matches	5-2
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	9-3
In four-game matches	5-2
In five-game matches	1-1
Record winning the first game	13-1
Record winning first two games	10-0
Record losing first game	2-5
Record losing first two games	1-4
Record vs. ranked opponents	1-4

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 11 vs. Georgia Tech
Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
Blocks Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, Katrien DeDecker vs. Illinois
 Attempts — 94, Katrien DeDecker vs. Iowa
 Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 77, Becky Bauer vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 4, Katrien DeDecker vs. Arkansas
 Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 9, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa

MINNESOTA REMAINS FIFTH IN DISTRICT POLL —

Minnesota continued to hold the #5 ranking in the second release of the NCAA District 2 poll on Oct. 15. The Gophers trail Michigan State, Penn State, Wisconsin, and Ball State. Ohio State fell from #4 to #6 in the poll.

District 2 Poll #2 — Oct. 15

1. Michigan State
2. Penn State
3. Wisconsin
4. Ball State
5. Minnesota
6. Ohio State
7. Miami, Ohio
8. Purdue
9. Illinois
10. Central Michigan

UP NEXT— The Gophers begin the second half of the Big Ten season with a stretch of four home conference matches in a span of 10 days, starting with Illinois visiting the Sports Pavilion on Friday, Nov. 1. Minnesota will then face Iowa on Saturday, Nov. 2, Wisconsin on Wednesday, Nov. 6 and Michigan on Friday, Nov. 8.

Tennis

TENNIS HAS TWO WEEKS OFF BEFORE REGIONAL MEET—Minnesota takes the next two weeks off before traveling to Madison, Wis., for the Rolex Regional Qualifier and Bloomington, Ind., for the Indiana Regional Invitational. Bids will be extended for the Rolex Regional Tournament next week, with the remainder of the players traveling to Indiana.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota had a successful weekend at the Wolfpack Invitational in Raleigh, NC. Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY)** remained undefeated on the season winning the A Flight singles championships. Sauska won four matches to improve her record to 8-0. Sophomore **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC)** placed second in the C draw, while sophomore **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and newcomer **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/CENTRAL BUCKS WEST)** placed third in their respective divisions. Minnesota went 17-10 on the weekend in singles and is now 37-21 (.638) in singles and 11-11 in doubles (.500).

In California, **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** went 2-1 and almost advanced to the qualifying draw at the Riviera All-American Classic. Rangsithienchai lost to Wendy Fix of Duke in the match that would have advanced her to the next round. **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** lost her only singles match and the doubles team of Hayes/Rangsithienchai lost in the first round of the doubles draw.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK—Martin Novak is back for his seventh season as head coach of the Gophers. Last year, Novak led the Gophers to a 16-8 overall record and a 9-4 Big Ten mark, while achieving a national ranking of #31. Minnesota also advanced to the semifinals of the NCAA Midwest Regionals and placed in a tie for third at the Big Ten Tournament, the highest ever for a Minnesota squad.

SEASON OUTLOOK—After experiencing the best season in Minnesota tennis history and having everyone back but all-Big Ten player **Dana Peterson**, who became only the second player in Minnesota tennis history to receive an invitation to the NCAA Singles Championships, head coach **Martin Novak** is expecting big things from his squad in 1996-97. Making up for the loss of Peterson will be sophomore **Alice Rangsithienchai** and junior **Jennifer Hayes**. Rangsithienchai was named the Big Ten Newcomer of the Year after posting a 24-10 singles record and a 14-12 doubles record. She was named all-Big Ten and was ranked as high as #84 in the nation. Hayes finished 1996 strong as she had a 16-6 record over her last 22 matches and tied Rangsithienchai for the team lead in singles victories with 24. She also had a record of 19-8 at the #1 doubles position. Also returning for the Gophers are **Jenni Svehla**, **Ashley Fuller** and sophomores **Tarah Elkins** and **Jana Hrdinova**. Add that to one of the best recruiting classes in Minnesota history with four top players including **Nora Sauska**, **Kim Simonsen**, **Helen Wang** and **Meghan Donley**, the Gophers should challenge for a top position regionally and nationally.

Basketball

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PRACTICE—Basketball continues to practice in anticipation for its first exhibition game November 14 versus the Eastern European squad. Minnesota, who was 4-23 overall and 0-16 in the Big Ten last season, returns six players and adds two newcomers to its squad.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE—

Tuesday, Oct. 22	OFF	
		(Mall of America App., 4-7 p.m.)
Wednesday, Oct. 23	12:30-3 p.m.	Pavilion
Thursday, Oct. 24	4-6:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Friday, Oct. 25	12:30-3 p.m.	Pavilion
Saturday, Oct. 26	8-10 a.m.	Pavilion
	10-12 noon	Clinic at Pavilion
Sunday, Oct. 27	9-11:30 a.m.	Pavilion

Players and coaches are available for interviews Monday-Friday after practice. Please contact Lisa Nelson in the Sports Information Office at (612) 624-9396 to set up an interview. The doors of the Pavilion are locked after 5 p.m. and on weekends, so special arrangements need to be made through Lisa Nelson.

THE COACHING STAFF—Linda Hill-MacDonald enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 64-102 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to the NCAA Tournament in 1994, and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-America Carol Ann Shudlick. Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are Treka McMillan, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher Crystal Flint moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season, while Cara Pearson assumes the third assistant duties.

THE TEAM—Minnesota returns seven players, in addition to two first-year athletes in 1996-97. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA)**. Iverson was the top rebounder for the Gophers in 1996, and ranked fifth in the Big Ten Conference at nine boards a game. Last season, Iverson shattered a Sports Pavilion record with 19 rebounds in a game against Northwestern. She also was the second leading scorer for the maroon and gold at 10 points a game. Also back for Minnesota is junior point guard **JAIME ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO)**, who was 11th in the Big Ten in assists per game at 3.1. Ellis is in the best shape of her career and looks to be a floor leader for the Gophers this year. Add that to **SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out of last season, and a talented sophomore crew of **MINDY HANSEN (CHASKA, MN/CHASKA)**, **LYNDA HASS (ST. FRANCIS, MN/ST. FRANCIS)** and **SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL)** and the Gophers have the basis of an upper division finish.

THE NEWCOMERS—Minnesota adds two newcomers to the roster this season in **KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)** and **ANDREA SEAGO (CHERRY VALLEY, IL/ROCKFORD GUILFORD)**. Burns, an all-state player, is a 5-7 lightning quick guard that plays both the one and the two. She likes to penetrate the lane and isn't afraid to take the ball to the basket. Seago, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster and is the first player from her conference to play in the Big Ten Conference. Seago averaged almost 15 points and 15 rebounds a game and will have to quickly learn the physical style of play in Big Ten to help Minnesota this season.

THE ROSTER—Minnesota has nine active players on this year's roster.

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Ht.	Hometown/High School
23	Kiauna Burns	G	Fr.	5-7	Litchfield, MN/Litchfield
15	Jaime Ellis	G	Jr.	5-9	Lake Oswego, OR/Lake Oswego
12	Mindy Hansen	G	So.	5-9	Chaska, MN/Chaska
32	Lynda Hass	F	So.	6-0	St. Francis, MN/St. Francis
53	Angie Iverson	F	Jr.	6-0	Owatonna, MN/Owatonna
45	Sarah Klun	F	So.	6-0	Madison, WI/LaFollette
21	Sonja Robinson	F	So.	5-10	Scottsdale, AZ/Chaparral
35	Andrea Seago	C	Fr.	6-3	Cherry Valley, IL/Rockford Guilford

Head Coach: Linda Hill-MacDonald (West Chester State, 1970)

Assistant Coaches: Treka McMillan (South Carolina, 1992),

Crystal Flint (Minnesota, 1995), Cara Pearson (Minnesota, 1996)

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers have already suffered some major injuries and the season has not even begun yet. All-Big Ten honorable mention center **CHERI STAFFORD (HAM LAKE, MN/BLAINE)** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons and doctors advised her to quit playing. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Forward **SARAH SCHIEBER (CALEDONIA, MN/CALEDONIA)** is out for the year after injuring her ACL in her left knee. Schieber averaged six points and two rebounds a game for Minnesota and was its leading three-point shooter in 1995-96.

Also, point guard **SWANTRECA TAYLOR (DONALDSONVILLE, LA/COMO PARK (MN))** will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health problems. Taylor was the backup to Jaime Ellis last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

Swimming and Diving

INTRASQUAD MEET ON SATURDAY AT 12 NOON

The annual men's and women's intrasquad meet is at 12 noon at the University Aquatic Center on Saturday, Oct. 26. The competition will be a double-dual meet with the men's and women's teams splitting into maroon and gold teams for the meet. The regular season opens for both teams at the University of North Carolina's coed Tar Heel Invitational on Friday, Nov. 1, in Chapel Hill, NC. On Saturday, Nov. 2, both teams will compete in a dual meet with North Carolina.

HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE – George Bledsoe was inducted into the University of Minnesota Aquatic Hall of Fame at the annual Alumni Meet, Oct. 19. Bledsoe retired this past spring after nearly 25 years as pool operator, first at Cooke Hall, and then at the University Aquatic Center since it opened in 1990. The Alumni Meet was unscored.

Cross Country

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota's cross country team finished in second place at the Iowa State Memorial Classic in Ames, Iowa, on Saturday, only 14 points out of first place. Sophomore **ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)** was Minnesota's top finisher, third overall, in a time of 17:58. Newcomer **MINNA HARONOJA (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA SECONDARY SCHOOL)** finished 12th in a time of 18:51, with teammate **KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/MINNETONKA)** right behind 18:55. **KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/CLINTON-GRACEVILLE)**, 16th in 18:55, and **ANDREA LENTZ (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR)**, 22nd in 19:07, were the other Gopher scorers. **Kris Ihle**, running unattached, was the individual winner in 17:30, 24 seconds ahead of second place **Josephine Kandie** of Life College. Host #22 Iowa State was the team winner with 34 points; Minnesota was second with 48 points.

Minnesota finishers

3. Anna Gullingsrud, 17:58. 12. Minna Haronoja, 18:51. 13. Kari Thompson, 18:55. 16. Karen Kleindl, 19:02. 22. Andrea Lentz, 19:07. 25. Keri Zweig, 19:15. 29. Janet Howe, 19:18. 31. Amy Hoel, 19:21. 44. Bridget Neutgens, 19:39. 49. Julie Golla, 19:52. 51. Danielle Giusti, 19:54.

Individual finishers

1. Kris Ihle, unattached, 17:30. 2. Josephine Kandie, Life College, 17:54. 3. Anna Gullingsrud, Minnesota, 17:58. 4. Tumaini Urrio, Life College, 18:13. 5. Jane Groves, Iowa State, 18:17. 6. Michelle Clark, Mankato State, 18:20. 7. Sarah Korir, McKendree College, 18:28. 8. Sydney Pounds, Iowa State, 18:29. 9. Emily Martini, Iowa State, 18:36. 10. Kiersten Pauling, Iowa, 18:43. 11. Emily Miles, Kansas, 18:48. 12. Minna Haronoja, Minnesota, 18:51. 13. Kari Thompson, Minnesota, 18:55. 14. Laurie Meythaler, Iowa State, 18:55. 15. Jena Swant, Illinois State, 18:57. 16. Karen Kleindl, Minnesota, 19:02. 17. Stacey Armstrong, Iowa State, 19:04. 18. Cindra Schelling, Northern Iowa, 19:04. 19. Ann Pare, Iowa, 19:05. 20. Carla Sudbeck, Drake, 19:06.

Team finishers

1. Iowa State, 34. 2. MINNESOTA, 48. 3. Iowa, 102. 4. Northern Iowa, 138. 5. Drake, 143. 6. Kansas, 161. 7. Illinois State, 164. 8. Missouri-Kansas City, 218. 9. Mankato State, 224. 10. Minnesota-Duluth, 247. 11. Creighton, 319.

UP NEXT—The Gophers host the Minnesota Open on Saturday, Oct. 26, at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course in St. Paul. The 5,000-meter race will begin at 10 a.m. The meet will give Minnesota's younger runners a chance to improve personal-best times, as Minnesota's top runners will have the weekend off to prepare for the Big Ten Championships.

1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/7	Intrasquad/Alumni (St. Paul, MN)	Gold 27, Maroon 28	10/26	Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)
9/14	Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd (36 points)	11/2	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)
9/21	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	2nd (81 points)	11/16	at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)
9/28	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)	10th (272 points)	11/25	at NCAA Championships (Tucson, AZ)
10/12	at Auburn Invitational (Auburn, AL)	8th (220 points)		
10/19	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	2nd (43 points)		

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (5,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)	20:31 (M171/4th)	DNC	DNC			
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)	20:35 (M177/5th)	DNC	DNC			
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)	19:46 (M95/1st)	DNC	DNC			
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st/1st)	DNC	16:50 (5th/1st)	DNC	17:58 (3rd/1st)			
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)	19:03 (141st/12th)	18:58.7 (113th/7th)	19:51 (51st/11th)			
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC	18:37 (99th/5th)	DNC	19:52 (49th/10th)			
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)	18:51 (125th/10th)	19:25.0 (146th/9th)	DNC			
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC	18:12 (60th/3rd)	18:11.0 (35th/1st)	18:51 (12th/2nd)			
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNC			
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC	18:39 (102nd/6th)	18:48.6 (92nd/5th)	19:21 (31st/8th)			
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)	18:43 (109th/8th)	18:52.7 (110th/6th)	19:18 (29th/7th)			
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC	18:47 (115th/9th)	DNC	DNC			
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)	20:19 (M145/2nd)	DNC	DNC			
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)	19:51 (177th/16th)	DNC	DNC			
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC	18:20 (74th/4th)	18:23.3 (55th/3rd)	19:02 (16th/4th)			
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC	18:58 (135th/11th)	18:59.9 (116th/8th)	19:07 (22nd/5th)			
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)	20:48 (M201/6th)	DNC	DNC			
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC			
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)	21:44 (105th/9th)	20:22 (M153/3rd)	DNC	DNC			
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC	18:42 (107th/7th)	18:46.5 (89th/4th)	19:39 (44th/9th)			
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)	19:42 (173rd/15th)	DNC	DNC			
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)	19:23 (155th/14th)	DNC	DNC			
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC	17:57 (40th/2nd)	18:12.0 (36th/2nd)	18:55 (13th/3rd)			
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC	19:05 (144th/13th)	21:03.0 (256th/10th)	19:15 (25th/6th)			

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	at Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		NA
Sept. 2	at Butler	W	3-1	2-0		NA
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	at #4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	vs. #14 Washington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*at Penn State	L	3-2 (OT)	6-2	0-1	NA
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W	1-0	7-2	1-1	442
Sept. 28	*#16 Wisconsin	L	3-1	7-3	1-2	1,427
Oct. 6	Minnesota-Duluth	W	5-0	8-3		587
Oct. 11	* at Michigan State	W	2-1	9-3	2-2	88
Oct. 13	* at Michigan	W	4-2	10-3	3-2	347
Oct. 18	* Indiana	W	2-1	11-3	4-2	361
Oct. 20	* Ohio State	W	1-0	12-3	5-2	426
Oct. 25	vs. North Carolina					
Oct. 27	vs. Northern Illinois					
Nov. 3	Evansville					

*Big Ten Conference match

Overall Record: 12-3
 Home Record: 7-1
 Away Record: 4-2
 Neutral Record: 1-0
 Overtime Record: 0-1

Goals for: 39

Goals for, first half: 12
 Goals for, second half: 27
 Goals for, overtime: 0

Home Attendance: 4571/ 571 per match

Big Ten Record: 5-2
 Home Record: 3-1
 Away Record: 2-1

Goals Against: 16

Goals against, first half: 7
 Goals against, second half: 7
 Goals against, overtime: 1

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erika Berghauer	2	0	0	1	0	0
Corinne Bolder	15	15	4	30	3	11
Sarah Connors	9	0	1	8	1	3
Michealene Denney	15	15	1	4	0	2
Rose Grimm	2	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	15	15	10	37	7	27
Allison Johnson	15	15	0	7	0	0
Megan Johnson	12	9	0	9	9	9
Amy Koehler	12	0	1	2	0	2
Erika Kruse	10	0	0	1	0	0
Nicole Lee	15	11	8	25	4	20
Jennifer McElmury	15	15	10	62	6	26
Dorsey Nelson	6	0	0	0	0	0
Jaime O'Gara	3	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	7	0	0	6	0	0
Kelly Shea	15	15	1	9	1	3
Colleen Tierney	4	0	0	1	0	0
Vanessa Touset	15	15	0	9	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	12	1	7
Jamie Wyffels	15	15	0	1	0	0
Totals	15	15	39	234	32	110

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	10	9	745	8	45	0.97	3	2
Dana Larson	8	6	595	7	37	1.06	2	2
Totals		15	1335	15	82	1.01	5	2

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
66	106	2

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	12	27	0	0	39
Opponents	7	7	1	0	15

As of: October 19, 1996
 Purdue
 21 Matches played
 15 Wins, 6 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	21	56	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	68
2	Fiamengo, T.	21	72	152	51	342	.295	45	0	0	11	1	34	104
3	Miller, M.	20	38	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	3	0	3	20
4	McDonnell, J.	21	48	50	27	123	.187	2	0	0	8	2	14	67
6	Hebert, H.	20	34	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	4	0	0	20
7	Baynes, T.	17	59	109	49	270	.222	11	0	0	12	14	71	68
8	DeDecker, K.	21	74	461	119	1067	.321	25	0	0	23	15	51	204
9	Passer, J.	21	74	221	65	478	.326	18	0	0	17	10	81	187
10	Pearman, S.	21	73	210	111	556	.178	30	0	0	13	5	31	276
13	Bauer, B.	20	70	85	27	194	.299	944	0	0	20	5	59	129
14	Shudlick, S.	17	43	0	0	4	.000	12	0	0	4	0	0	39
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		21	74	1298	451	3055	.277	1157	0	0	121	52	344	1182
TEAM BLOCKS:		224												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	56	0	2	0	11	0.00	0.04	0.11	1.21	0.00	0.23
2	Fiamengo, T.	72	1	1	7	25	2.11	0.63	0.15	1.44	0.49	0.46
3	Miller, M.	38	0	0	1	8	0.26	1.76	0.08	0.53	0.08	0.24
4	McDonnell, J.	48	0	8	2	13	1.04	0.04	0.17	1.40	0.33	0.48
6	Hebert, H.	34	0	4	0	4	0.00	0.03	0.12	0.59	0.00	0.24
7	Baynes, T.	59	2	3	5	30	1.85	0.19	0.20	1.15	1.44	0.64
8	DeDecker, K.	74	2	26	3	56	6.23	0.34	0.31	2.76	0.89	1.15
9	Passer, J.	74	1	6	4	21	2.99	0.24	0.23	2.53	1.23	0.42
10	Pearman, S.	73	2	27	3	48	2.88	0.41	0.18	3.78	0.49	1.07
13	Bauer, B.	70	21	0	9	26	1.21	13.49	0.29	1.84	0.91	0.50
14	Shudlick, S.	43	0	0	0	11	0.00	0.28	0.09	0.91	0.00	0.26
0		0	0	1	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		74	29	78	34	253	17.54	15.64	1.64	15.97	3.03	4.93

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Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15, 12-15, 15- 8, 14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15, 13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8, 15- 4, 15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15- 6, 15-13, 15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15, 15- 6, 15- 7, 15- 2		
#19 Georgia Tech	Loss 2-3	9-13-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 14-16, 15- 9, 15- 8, 7-15, 12-15		
Marshall	Win 3-0	September 14, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 3, 15-12, 15- 8		
Arkansas	Win 3-0	9-14-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15- 7, 16-14, 15- 9		
Providence	Win 3-1	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15- 7, 14-16, 15- 1, 15- 4		
Dartmouth	Win 3-0	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-10, 15- 5, 15- 5		
Bucknell	Win 3-0	Sept. 21, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-11, 15- 4, 15- 7		
Boston College	Win 3-0	Sept. 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-13, 15- 0, 15- 2		
* #2 Penn State	Loss 0-3	September 27, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 11-15, 3-15, 12-15		
* #8 Ohio State	Win 3-0	September 28, 1996	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15-12, 15-13, 15-11		
* Iowa	Win 3-2	October 4, 1996	Iowa City, Iowa
	Game scores: 14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13		
* Illinois	Win 3-1	October 5, 1996	Champaign, Ill.
	Game scores: 15- 8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13		
* #9 Wisconsin	Loss 0-3	October 9, 1996	Madison, Wis.
	Game scores: 9-20, 10-19, 10-16		
* Michigan	Win 3-0	October 12, 1996	Ann Arbor, Mich.
	Game scores: 15-12, 15- 6, 15-11		
* Indiana	Win 3-1	October 18, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 12- 7, 10-11, 16-10, 17- 8		
* Purdue	Win 3-1	October 19, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 6, 6-15, 15- 7, 15-13		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ----- Overall -- 15- 6
Conference -- 6- 2

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins							6-2		6-2	.800
Jennifer Hayes							0-4		0-4	.000
Jana Hrdinova							5-3		5-3	.500
Alice Rangsithienchai							5-2		5-2	.750
Nora Sauska							8-0		8-0	1.000
Kim Simonsen							5-3		5-3	.500
Jenni Svehla							4-4		4-4	.500
Helen Wang							4-3		4-3	.750
Totals							37-21		37-21	.638

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-2		4-2	.667
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				3-3		3-3	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
				11-11		11-11	.500



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, November 1	
VB hosts Illinois	7:00 p.m.
SW at Tarheel Inv. (Chapel Hill, N.C.)	4:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 2	
VB hosts Iowa	7:00 p.m.
CC at Big Ten Champ. (Bloomington, IN)	
SW at North Carolina	3:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 3	
CC hosts Rocky's Run	11:00 a.m.
SC hosts Evansville	1:00 p.m.

Volleyball

VOLLEYBALL TEAM HOSTS ILLINOIS AND IOWA IN IMPORTANT DOUBLEHEADER WEEKEND — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 16-7 overall and 7-3 in the Big Ten, begins the second go-around of the Big Ten schedule with an important conference doubleheader weekend at home. The Gophers host Illinois on Friday, Nov. 1, and then Iowa on Saturday, Nov. 2.

GOPHERS TIED FOR THIRD IN BIG TEN WITH 7-3 MARK — The Gophers are currently tied with Ohio State and Wisconsin at 7-3 for third place in the Big Ten standings. Michigan State leads the way with a perfect 10-0 mark, followed by Penn State in second at 8-2. Minnesota was picked to finish eighth in the conference in a preseason poll of conference coaches.

HOME SWEET HOME — Minnesota has played just seven of its 23 matches at home so far this season but heads into a stretch of four consecutive home contests in a span of ten days. After hosting Illinois and Iowa this weekend, the Gophers will face Wisconsin on Wednesday, Nov. 6, and Michigan on Friday, Nov. 8. The Gophers are 5-2 this season on their home court in the Sports Pavilion.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — The maroon and gold is led by senior **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. DeDecker is also vying to become the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and is 72 kills away from Andrea Gonzalez' record. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MINN./BELLE PLAINE)** and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

BIG TEN STANDINGS

(as of Oct. 29)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Michigan State	10	0	1.000	16	4	.800
Penn State	8	2	.800	19	2	.905
Ohio State	7	3	.700	18	3	.857
Wisconsin	7	3	.700	17	3	.850
MINNESOTA	7	3	.700	16	7	.696
Purdue	4	6	.400	11	11	.500
Illinois	4	6	.400	9	9	.500
Iowa	3	7	.300	8	13	.381
Michigan	3	7	.300	8	13	.381
Indiana	2	8	.200	8	14	.364
Northwestern	0	10	.000	9	14	.391

This Week in the Big Ten —

Wed., Oct. 30	Northwestern at Michigan State
Fri., Nov. 1	Illinois at Minnesota
	Penn State at Indiana
	Iowa at Wisconsin
	Ohio State at Purdue
	Northwestern at Michigan
Sat., Nov. 2	Iowa at Minnesota
	Michigan State at Michigan
	Penn State at Purdue
	Illinois at Wisconsin
	Ohio State at Indiana

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

ILLINOIS — Illinois has suffered losses in six of its last eight matches to drop its record to 9-9 overall on the season, 4-6 in the Big Ten. The Illinois squad has lost three straight matches but at the hands of nationally-ranked Michigan State, Ohio State and Penn State. Illinois captured a win in game two against Michigan State but has dropped ten straight games since that time. Sophomore outside hitter Mary Coleman leads the team 352 kills, while frosh Tracey Marshall has 266. Kelly Scherr and Paula Prentice are the team's most efficient attackers with Scherr hitting .307 and Prentice .301. First-year setter Melissa Beitz owns 640 assists on the season and a hefty 14.49 assists per game average in Big Ten play.

Illinois head coach Don Hardin is in his first season with Illinois after spending eight seasons at Louisville, where he compiled a 182-74 (.711) record. Hardin led the Cardinals to six NCAA Tournament appearances and six conference championships, including the first-ever Conference USA title in 1995.

The Series — Illinois owns a 27-9-1 advantage in series play with Minnesota. The Gophers, however, captured a 3-1 victory in Champaign earlier this season to break a 12-match Illinois winning streak.

The Last Time vs. Illinois — The homecoming of coach Mike Hebert was a successful one as the Gophers captured a 3-1 (15-8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13) victory in Champaign on Oct. 5. The win broke a 12-match losing streak against Illinois. Katrien DeDecker added a couple more Minnesota records to her resume

by hitting 34 kills in 86 attempts (four-game match records). Tera Fiamengo hit an impressive .414 in the match, landing 12 kills in 29 attempts without an error. Tara Baynes, Becky Bauer and DeDecker all finished the match with eight total blocks. As a team, the Gophers hit .299 in the match.

IOWA -- The Hawkeyes are 8-13 overall and 3-7 in the Big Ten heading into Friday's match at Wisconsin, prior to Saturday's contest against Minnesota. Iowa, like Illinois, has lost six of its last eight matches. The Hawkeyes were swept by Penn State and Ohio State in action last weekend. Iowa was drilled by Penn State in just 57 minutes as the Lady Lions hit a blistering .510 to an ice-cold -.014 for the Hawkeyes, but gave the Buckeyes a run for their money before losing by game scores of 15-4, 16-14, 17-15. Senior middle hitter Jennifer Webb is the main threat of the Hawkeye offense. Webb checks in with 403 kills on the season and a team-high .248 attack percentage. Jennifer Bell, with 286 kills and 62 total blocks, is another Hawkeye to watch.

Iowa head coach Dr. Linda Schoenstedt is in her sixth season with the Hawkeyes and sports a 79-117 (.403) record. Schoenstedt was named the Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1994 after leading the Hawkeyes to only the second NCAA Tournament appearance in Iowa history.

The Series — Minnesota owns a commanding 37-12 lead in series play with Iowa. The Gophers have won eight of the last ten matches against the Hawkeyes, including a 3-2 victory in Iowa City in the first meeting of the season.

The Last Time vs. Iowa — Minnesota fought back from a two-game deficit to capture a 3-2 (14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13) victory over Iowa in the longest match in Gopher volleyball history, on Oct. 4 in Iowa City. Two hours and fifty minutes after the match's first serve, the Gophers nailed down the victory on a Jane Passer kill and a Hawkeye hitting error to close out the fifth-game rally scoring. Five Gophers finished with double-digit kills, led by Katrien DeDecker's 29. She hit those 29 winners in a Minnesota record 94 attack attempts. Three Gophers also set new career-highs in kills, tallying double-doubles in the process. Sarah Pearman collected 20 kills and 18 digs, Jane Passer had 18 kills and 16 digs, and Becky Bauer added 14 kills and 11 digs. Tera Fiamengo was the fifth Gopher in double figures, hitting 13 kills. Defensively, Tara Baynes led the charge at the net, stuffing a career-high 11 total blocks.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT — Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 588-262 and a .692 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES -- Maurice Batie and Nao Ikeda are in their first seasons at Minnesota and third with Mike Hebert. Both worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota dropped into a three-way tie for third-place in the Big Ten standings with a split in action last weekend on the road. The Gophers, 16-7 overall and 7-3 in the Big Ten, have now won 11 of their 15 road matches this season.

THE MICHIGAN STATE MATCH: The #6 Spartans remained undefeated in Big Ten action with a 15-9, 15-13, 15-7 victory over Minnesota in East Lansing. Michigan State broke a 7-7 tie with seven straight points on its way to winning game one. The Gophers battled back in game two and received ten kills from **Katrien DeDecker**, but it wasn't enough to overcome eight Minnesota service errors. Game three went Michigan State's way as the Gophers hit a negative .192 attack percentage as a team. **DeDecker** was the only Gopher to finish in double-digit kills with 17.

THE NORTHWESTERN MATCH: Minnesota rebounded from the loss at Michigan State with a 15-7, 15-11, 16-18, 15-6 victory over Northwestern at Evanston. **Becky Bauer** sparked the Gophers to the win in game one by serving nine straight points to turn a 7-6 deficit into a 14-6 lead. Two solo blocks by **Katrien DeDecker** late in the game helped the Gophers claim game two. **Sarah Pearman** contributed six of her nine kills in the fourth game to lead the Gophers to a 15-6 win in the deciding game. **DeDecker** led all hitters with 28 kills, while **Jane Passer** added 12 kills and 22 digs.

DeDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH — Senior **Katrien DeDecker** continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, **DeDecker** is only 72 kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history. Earlier this season against Iowa, she moved into second-place surpassing **Chris Schaefer's** total of 1,896 career kills and now has 2,068 kills in her illustrious career. **DeDecker** has moved on to the list in career digs as well and is currently eighth with 950. She also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks and service aces. **DeDecker** is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

DeDECKER HITS 2,000TH KILL — In a season of milestones, **Katrien DeDecker** surpassed yet another one when she hit her 2,000th career kill in the match against Purdue. She is just the third player, and second Gopher, in Big Ten history to reach the 2,000-kill plateau. Minnesota's **Andrea Gonzalez** (1985-88) was the first player to accomplish the feat and still owns the Big Ten career kill record at 2,140. Purdue's **Debbie McDonald** (1986-89) is second on the list with 2,108 kills.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN — **Katrien DeDecker** is moving up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. **DeDecker's** 28 kills against Northwestern was the 13th time this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has five 30-plus kill matches in her career.

LEADING THE NATION — **Katrien DeDecker's** 6.23 kills per game led the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. California State Sacramento's **Jill Kaas** was second at 6.05 kills a game.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — **Becky Bauer** was also listed among the national statistics, ranked 13th in assists per game at 13.49. As a team, Minnesota was ranked fifth in kills per game (17.54), sixth in assists per game (15.64) and 14th in hitting percentage (.277).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	5-2
Road matches	6-3
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	9-4
In four-game matches	6-2
In five-game matches	1-1
Record winning the first game	14-1
Record winning first two games	11-0
Record losing first game	2-6
Record losing first two games	1-5
Record vs. ranked opponents	1-5

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 11 vs. Georgia Tech
Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
Blocks Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, Katrien DeDecker vs. Illinois
Attempts — 94, Katrien DeDecker vs. Iowa
Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
Assists — 77, Becky Bauer vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 4, Katrien DeDecker vs. Arkansas
Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
Block Assists — 9, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa

MINNESOTA RECEIVES VOTES IN NATIONAL POLL

— The Gophers received five points in last week's AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches Poll, marking the first time this season Minnesota has earned national recognition. If the ranking were carried further than 25th, the Gophers would be ranked 32nd in the Oct. 22 poll.

HAWAII KEEPS ITS STRONGHOLD ON #1 IN AVCA/ USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES POLL — Little changed in the AVCA poll this week. Michigan State is now the highest ranked Big Ten school at #6, up one spot from #7 last week. Ohio State's defeat of Penn State resulted in one of the only shifts in the top ten this week as the Lady Lions fell from #5 to #7. Wisconsin remained in the #11 position, as did Ohio State at #15. Another of Minnesota's earlier opponents continues its national ranking, Washington at #14.

Poll #8 — Oct. 22	Record	Points	LtWk
1. Hawaii (59)	20-0	1475	1
2. Florida	21-1	1403	2
3. Stanford	16-1	1360	3
4. Long Beach State	19-0	1298	4
5. Nebraska	16-2	1236	6
6. Michigan State	14-4	1175	7
7. Penn State	17-2	1068	5
8. Loyola Marymount	16-2	1033	9
9. Texas	12-4	1000	8
10. Texas A&M	16-3	931	10
11. Wisconsin	16-2	874	11
12. USC	12-5	800	12
13. Washington State	15-4	778	13
14. Washington	17-3	725	14
15. Ohio State	16-3	700	15
16. Pacific	14-4	598	16
17. Louisville	15-2	496	18
18. UCLA	13-7	484	17
19. UC Santa Barbara	14-6	438	19
20. Texas Tech	19-2	282	24
21. Notre Dame	13-5	275	22
22. George Mason	15-2	229	23
23. Kansas State	18-3	168	25
24. Oral Roberts	18-2	133	20
25. Oregon State	14-5	102	21

Others receiving points: Idaho (21), San Diego State (16), Maryland (15), South Florida (14), Fresno State (10), Ball State (6), Drake (6), MINNESOTA (5), Houston (4), BYU (4), Arizona (3), Georgia Tech (3), Miami, Ohio (2), Illinois State (2), South Carolina (1), Colorado (1), Colorado State (1).

UP NEXT — The Gophers host Wisconsin on Wednesday, Nov. 6, and Michigan on Friday, Nov. 8, in upcoming action next week.

Soccer

MINNESOTA TAKES ON EVANSVILLE IS REGULAR-SEASON FINALE — #14 Minnesota, 13-4 overall and 5-2 in the Big Ten, faces Evansville to wrap up the regular season Sunday, Nov. 3, at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Game time is 1 p.m. After that, it is a trip to Columbus, Ohio for the 1996 Big Ten Tournament. Minnesota is the third seed for the event.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — Minnesota, ranked 14th in the latest NSCAA poll, has won six of its last seven matches after going 1-1 over the weekend. #2 North Carolina stopped Minnesota's five-match winning streak Friday with a 2-0 victory. The Gophers then rebounded with a 3-1 win over Northern Illinois. The five-match winning streak before the UNC match tied the Gophers' longest winning streak in school history.

Minnesota has shined on defense this season, allowing an average of 1.05 goals a game and posting seven shutouts. Offensively, Minnesota is down in scoring after the loss of **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL)** to ACL surgery, but is still getting the job done posting a better record in 1996 at this point in the season, than in its Big Ten Championship season last year. Minnesota has turned to senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)**, second team All-America **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN)** and newcomer **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK)** for its scoring punch. McElmury leads the Big Ten in scoring with 29 points, followed closely by Hussey at 28 points and Lee at 20. Minnesota has three of the top four scorers in the conference.

The Gophers have also gotten great play in the nets as **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)** and **DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OH/HAYES)** have shared time. O'Hearn has started nine matches, recording three shutouts, two shared shutouts and posting a goals against average of 1.02. Larson has gotten the start in the last six matches and has a 7-2 record and a GAA of 1.11.

ABOUT EVANSVILLE — Evansville brings a 12-4-1 overall record in this week's action. The Aces host Valparaiso on Thursday prior to traveling to Minnesota on Sunday. Evansville head coach Mick Lyon is in his fourth season with the Aces and sports a 37-32-2 coaching record. The Aces are led in scoring by sophomore forward **Sandy Jakubczak**, who has netted 16 goals and tallied 36 points. Jakubczak has four two-goal games to her credit this season. Senior midfielder **Sally Meek** checks in with 13 goals and 28 points. In the net, Evansville's **Misty Long** owns a 1.00 goals against average and is 9-3-1 on the season with four shutouts.

GOPHER REWIND—

AGAINST #2 NORTH CAROLINA — #14 Minnesota lost a tough match to #2-ranked North Carolina, 2-0, in Madison, Wis. Minnesota gave the 12-time national champion Tarheels a match, but just could not pull it out. UNC got on the board at the 14:37 mark when **Laurie Schwoy** knocked in a header off a crossing pass from **Sarah Daley**. Minnesota held the

Tarheels scoreless until the 81:57 mark, when **Aubrey Falk** scored on a loose ball about 15 feet in front of the net, sealing the win for the Tarheels. For the match, Minnesota was outshot 16-9 and **Dana Larson** suffered only her second loss of the season in making seven saves. The shutout was the first one handed Minnesota this season and the first time since the NCAA Tournament last season when the Gophers lost a heartbreaker to Wisconsin, 1-0.

AGAINST NORTHERN ILLINOIS — Minnesota defeated Northern Illinois, 3-1, at the Wisconsin Soccer Invitational in Madison, Wis. The game was scoreless until the midway through the first when Minnesota exploded for three straight goals. The first came at the 34:50 mark when **Jennifer McElmury** scored her 11th goal of the year off a crossing pass from **Allison Johnson**. **Erika Kruse** connected on her first collegiate goal five minutes later on an assist from **Erin Hussey**. Minnesota recorded its third goal at the 44:45 mark when **Megan Johnson** scored her first goal as a Gopher on a shot from eight-yards out. Minnesota keeper **Teresa O'Hearn**, who came in to replace starter **Dana Larson** in the second half, gave up a goal to Northern Illinois at 64:52 when **Dee Dee Rubens** scored on a shot from 25 yards out, but it was not enough as Minnesota won its sixth game in its last seven.

MINNESOTA HAS THREE NAMED ALL-TOURNAMENT — Minnesota had three players named to the all-tournament team as **McElmury**, **Hussey** and sophomore **Vanessa Tousek**, who played stellar defense the entire weekend, garnered honors for the Gophers. **McElmury** had a goal and an assist, while **Hussey** had an assist for the maroon and gold.

LAST YEAR COMPARED TO THIS YEAR — Even with the loss of **Jennifer Walek**, the Gophers are right on course with last season's record-breaking year. Through 17 games in 1995, Minnesota was 12-3-2, while in 1996 they are 13-4. The Gophers have seen a shift in offense versus defense in 1996 compared to the first 17 games last season. Minnesota averaged four goals a game, while giving up 1.15 goals a game with five shutouts in 1995. This year, Minnesota is averaging 2.5 goals a game, while giving up only 1.05 a game and posting seven shutouts.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE — Sue Montagne is in her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 53-21-6 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

INJURY REPORT — **Jennifer Walek** and **NOELLE PAPPENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN/BURNSVILLE)** are both out for the season with ACL injuries. **JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLARD NORTH)** is still recovering from a stress fracture and will be out for the rest of the season after being granted a medical hardship.

MINNESOTA IN THE REGIONAL RANKINGS — As of last week, **Erin Hussey** was ranked 10th in the Great Lakes region for total points with 27. **Jenny Streiffer** of Notre Dame led with 43 points. **Megan Johnson** was ranked eighth in assists with

nine, while the Minnesota offense was sixth in the region at 2.60 goals a game. **Teresa O'Hearn** also ranked ninth in the region with a 0.97 GAA.

GOALIE SHUFFLE; LARSON IS IN — Minnesota has had a changing of the guard in goal as newcomer **Dana Larson** has assumed the starting keeper duties. **Larson**, 7-2 on the season, has seen action in nine games, starting the last six. She has given up nine goals and has a GAA of 1.11, while making 41 saves. Senior **Teresa O'Hearn** started the season in goal, seeing action in 11 games and giving up only nine goals. **O'Hearn** has a record of 7-2 and a goals against average of 1.02.

MCELMURY CONTINUES TO SHINE — **Jennifer McElmury** is the team and conference leader in scoring and making a claim for her second straight season of All-America honors. **McElmury** has been Minnesota's main offensive threat since the loss of **Jennifer Walek**. **McElmury** has 11 goals and seven assists for 29 points this season. Last year, the second-team all-American and first-team all-Big Ten and all-Great Lakes Region selection had 12 goals and six assists for 30 points.

MCELMURY MOVES INTO SECOND ON ALL-TIME SCORING LIST — **Jennifer McElmury** moved into second place on the Gophers' all-time scoring list surpassing former Gopher and third-team academic all-American recipient **Gretchen Brandt**. **McElmury** has 87 points in her illustrious career. **Brandt** recorded 79 points while playing for the Gophers from 1993-95. First on the all-time scoring list is **Jennifer Walek**, who has 142 points for her career.

MOVE OVER AGAIN GRETCHEN — **Erin Hussey** moved into third place on the all-time scoring list Sunday with a goal against Ohio State. **Hussey** has 81 points in her career, while **Gretchen Brandt** has 79. Next up is teammate **Jennifer McElmury** at 87.

LEE MAKING STRONG CASE FOR NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR HONORS — First-year forward **Nicole Lee** is making a strong attempt for Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors. **Lee** is seeing increased playing time filling in for **Jennifer Walek** and making the most of it. Through 17 games, **Lee** is third on the team in scoring with eight goals and four assists for 20 points and ranks in the top five in the Big Ten in scoring.

HUSSEY SOLID FOR GOPHERS — **Erin Hussey** is the second on the team in scoring with 10 goals and eight assists for 27 points. **Hussey** exploded out of the gate this season with four goals and two assists against Valparaiso in the first match of the season. **Hussey's** four goals and 10 points were new Minnesota varsity records for goals and points scored in a match. For her efforts that week, **Hussey** was named Big Ten Player of the Week for September 3.

DENNEY ANCHORS THE DEFENSE — Defender **MIKKI DENNEY (OMAHA, NE/MARIAN/NORTH CAROLINA)** is the anchor of the Minnesota defense that has allowed only 18

goals and recorded seven shutouts in 17 games this season, better than its Big Ten Championship numbers from last season. Denney is also contributing offensively, scoring the first goal of her career against Wisconsin.

BOLDER BREAKING OUT — Sophomore Corinne Bolder has broken out of her season-long slump. A second-team all-Big Ten selection in 1995, Bolder had only one goal and one assist through 10 games, but has exploded in the last three weeks. Bolder had a goal and an assist against UMD, then had a goal against Michigan State and a goal and assist against Michigan. Last season, Bolder had 11 goals and 11 assists for 33 points.

MEGAN JOHNSON: THE PLAYMAKER — Yes, Megan Johnson finally scored after being designated the playmaker for the Gophers. Johnson, who moved from defense to midfielder in the middle of the season, had nine assists for the Gophers on the season before finally connecting on a goal of her own against Northern Illinois Sunday, the first of her Gopher career. Johnson is currently tied with Corinne Bolder for fourth on the team in scoring with one goal and nine assists for 11 points.

HOME IS WHERE THE WINS ARE — Minnesota has a storied tradition at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field as it has posted a 7-1 record this season and has an overall record of 21-2-3 (.840) in the three-year history of the program playing at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Minnesota played its first season at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium and posted a 6-1 record.

MINNESOTA VS. NATIONALLY-RANKED TEAMS — Minnesota is 1-3 this season against ranked teams; Minnesota defeated #14 Washington, 2-1, and lost a close match against #4 Portland, 3-2, at Portland. Minnesota then fell to #16 Wisconsin, 3-1, before losing to #2 North Carolina, 2-0.

ATTENDANCE SOARS IN 1996 — Minnesota, always a national leader in attendance, is doing it again this season as it is averaging 571 fans a match. On the season, 4,571 fans have passed through the gates, including a record-setting 1,427 fans for the Wisconsin match. Minnesota currently ranks second in the region, behind Notre Dame, in average attendance.

THE POLLS — Minnesota currently ranks #14 in the latest NSCAA Soccer Poll and #13 in Soccer America. The Gophers have tumbled a bit after being ranked 10th in the nation earlier in the season.

NSCAA/Umbro Select Women's Rankings

1. Notre Dame	14-1-0	367
2. North Carolina	12-1-0	361
3. Portland	10-0-2	342
4. Connecticut	15-1-0	336
5. Nebraska	15-0-0	304
6. Santa Clara	11-3-0	298
7. Maryland	15-1-1	293
8. Texas A&M	15-2-0	272
9. Florida	14-1-0	261
10. Wisconsin	10-2-3	228
11. Penn State	10-2-2	216
12. Harvard	11-0-0	209
13. UNC-Greensboro	12-3-0	189
14. Minnesota	12-3-0	170
15. Virginia	9-4-2	158
16. Clemson	11-4-1	136
17. UCLA	9-4-1	121
18. NC State	10-4-1	116
19. James Madison	10-3-1	98
20. Dartmouth	8-2-0	92
21. Vanderbilt	9-7-0	69
22. San Diego	9-3-1	66
23. George Mason	8-4-1	53
24. Kentucky	10-3-2	40
25. George Washington	9-4-1	23

SOCCKER AMERICA POLL—The following is the rankings for Soccer America. Minnesota is currently 13th in the that poll.

Soccer America

1. Notre Dame
2. North Carolina
3. Portland
4. Connecticut
5. Santa Clara
6. Nebraska
7. Texas A&M
8. Florida
9. UNC Greensboro
10. N.C. State
11. Maryland
12. Virginia
13. Minnesota
14. Wisconsin
15. Penn State
16. Harvard
17. George Mason
18. George Washington
19. James Madison
20. Clemson

Basketball

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PRACTICE—Basketball continues to practice in anticipation for its first exhibition game November 14 versus the Eastern European squad. Minnesota, who was 4-23 overall and 0-16 in the Big Ten last season, returns six players and adds two newcomers to its squad.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE—

Tuesday, Oct. 29	7-9:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Wednesday, Oct. 30	12:30-3 p.m.	Pavilion
Thursday, Oct. 31	OFF	

Players and coaches are available for interviews Monday-Friday after practice. Please contact Lisa Nelson in the Sports Information Office at (612) 624-9396 to set up an interview. The doors of the Pavilion are locked after 5 p.m. and on weekends, so special arrangements need to be made through Lisa Nelson.

BIG TEN BASKETBALL LUNCHEON -- The 1996 Big Ten Women's Basketball Luncheon is Thursday, Nov. 7, at the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis. All 11 head coaches will appear and tickets are \$25. Media registration is at 7:30 a.m. with coaches interviews from 8:30-11 a.m. The media will not be charged for luncheon tickets. For more information, contact the Big Ten Office at (847) 696-1010. Media deadline is Nov. 1.

THE ALUM GAME--Minnesota will host the second annual Alum game Sunday, Nov. 17, at the Sports Pavilion. Game time is 2 p.m. Come see many former Gopher greats take the court.

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers have already suffered some major injuries and the season has not even begun yet. All-Big Ten honorable mention center **CHERI STAFFORD (HAM LAKE, MN/BLAINE)** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons and doctors advised her to quit playing. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Forward **SARAH SCHIEBER (CALEDONIA, MN/CALEDONIA)** is out for the year after injuring her ACL in her left knee. Schieber averaged six points and two rebounds a game for Minnesota and was its leading three-point shooter in 1995-96.

Also, point guard **SWANTRECA TAYLOR (DONALDSONVILLE, LA/COMO PARK (MN))** will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health problems. Taylor was the backup to Jaime Ellis last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

Cross Country

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota's cross country team participated in the Minnesota Open at the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course last Saturday. Sophomore **GILLIAN HARO (MINNEAPOLIS, MN/SOUTHWEST)** was Minnesota's top finisher in a time of 18:58, followed by newcomer **HEIDI JOHNSON (ANCHORAGE, AK/EAST ANCHORAGE)** in 19:13 and junior **ANDREA SWANSBY (PEWAUKEE, WI/KETTLE MORAINE)** in 19:39. No team scores were kept.

Minnesota finishers

18:58	Gillian Haro
19:13	Heidi Johnson
19:39	Andrea Swansby
19:49	Renee Kalmbach
19:50	Marissa McGill, unattached
19:51	Nikki Rassbach
19:54	Danielle Giusti
20:19	Glenalyn Johnson
20:33	Beth Cordes
20:39	Christie Heikes
21:31	Laurie McGinley
21:47	Anne Marshall
22:50	Megan Amundson

AMAZING ANNA—In each of the two home meets sophomore **ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)** has competed in, she has broken the Minnesota record on the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course. At the Minnesota Triangular, Gullingsrud won the race in a time of 17:24, breaking the old record of 17:33 set by Lori Townsend in 1995. Then at the Roy Griak Invitational, Gullingsrud shattered her own record set two weeks previously with a time of 16:50, 36 seconds faster than the previous record. Her time of 16:50 is the third-fastest time in Minnesota history on any course. Gullingsrud has a legitimate shot at breaking the Minnesota varsity record of 16:32.60 set by Jodi Eder at the University of Illinois in 1984.

UP NEXT—Minnesota travels to Bloomington, Indiana, for the 16th-annual women's Big Ten Cross Country Championship. The women's championship begins at 10:45 a.m., with the men's championship at 11:30 a.m. Wisconsin won the team title last year and is the conference's highest-ranked team this year at #10 in the nation. Other ranked conference teams are Michigan at #12 and Penn State at #15. Individually, four of last year's top 10 runners are returning: 1995 runner-up Erin St. John from Penn State, Michigan State's Stephanie Dueringer (fourth last year), and Janet Westphal (fifth last year) and Angie Kujak (seventh last year), both from Wisconsin.

Previous Big Ten Championships

	1995	1994
Megan Amundson	DNC	DNC
Tiffany Barron	DNC	DNC
Beth Cordes	DNC	DNC
Danielle Giusti	DNC	DNC
Julie Golla	18:49.6 (30th)	DNC
Anna Gullingsrud	DNC	DNC
Gillian Haro	DNC	DNC
Minna Haronoja	DNC	DNC
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNC
Amy Hoel	19:25.5 (53rd)	DNC
Janet Howe	19:26.6 (55th)	DNC
Glenalyn Johnson	DNC	DNC
Heidi Johnson	DNC	DNC
Renee Kalmbach	DNC	DNC
Karen Kleindl	19:48.6 (64th)	19:33.9 (68th)
Andrea Lentz	19:49.4 (65th)	DNC
Anne Marshall	DNC	DNC
Marissa McGill	DNC	DNC
Laurie McGinley	DNC	DNC
Bridget Neutgens	19:38.6 (60th)	19:53.6 (77th)
Nikki Rassbach	DNC	DNC
Andrea Swansby	DNC	DNC
Kari Thompson	18:55.1 (35th)	DNC
Keri Zweig	18:52.5 (33rd)	19:14.9 (55th)

1996 Cross Country Schedule

- Nov. 2 at Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)
- NOV. 3 **ROCKY'S RUN**
- Nov. 16 at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)
- Nov. 25 at NCAA Championships (Tucson, AZ)

Swimming and Diving

MINNESOTA RANKED 15TH IN PRESEASON POLL
 The University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team is ranked 15th in the Speedo America's Top 25 College Swimming Preseason Poll. The Gophers are one of five Big Ten schools to be listed. In order of ranking, the teams are Stanford, SMU, Michigan, Southern California, Georgia, Arizona, Florida, Texas, UCLA, Tennessee, Auburn, Alabama, Nebraska, North-western, Minnesota, North Carolina, California, Kentucky, Wisconsin, LSU, Arizona State, Kansas, Penn State, Texas A&M and Miami.

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO CHAPEL HILL, N.C., FOR A PAIR OF MEETS – For its season opener, the 15th-ranked women's swimming and diving team travels to Chapel Hill, NC. for a pair of meets, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 1 and 2. On Friday, Minnesota competes in the unscored coed 20th Annual Tar Heel Invitational against North Carolina and about 30 United States Swimming (USS) club teams, with the invitational starting at 4 p.m. (CST).

On Saturday, the Gophers compete against the 16th-ranked North Carolina women's team in a coed dual meet, starting at 3 p.m. (CST). This is the third meeting between the teams, with Minnesota winning both previous encounters. Last year, the Gophers defeated North Carolina 164-136 at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center, and during the 1994-95 season, Minnesota defeated the Tar Heels at North Carolina's Koury Natatorium, 157-143. The Minnesota men's swimming and diving team will also be at both meets.

The North Carolina women are 0-1 for the 1996-97 season after losing its season opener, 174-126, to fifth-ranked Georgia on Oct. 26 in Athens, GA. At that meet, Carolina junior cocaptain Chrissy Miller posted an automatic NCAA qualifying time for next March's national meet in the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 1:59.81. That's the second fastest time in that event in Carolina women's history.

INTRASQUAD MEET FEATURES GREAT SWIMMING – The University of Minnesota men's and women's swimming and diving team hosted their annual Maroon and Gold Intrasquad Meet on Saturday at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center.

In the women's meet, 10 new meet records were set as the Maroon defeated the Gold 160-138, with each team sporting one double-event winner. Senior **JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT)** won the 200-yard butterfly and the 500-yard freestyle for the Maroon team, while frosh **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)** won the 100- and 200-yard freestyle events for the Gold team. Grass set a meet record in the distance butterfly with a time of 2:04.40, (previous record 2:05.97- Olga Splichalova '95), defeated Maroon teammate frosh **TERRI JASHINKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)** by over a second and Gold Team member 1996 Big Ten champion in the event **TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/ STILLWATER)** by nearly three seconds. "Jessica swam a very tough race," head coach Jean Freeman said.

Hennen set meet records in the 100- and 200-yard freestyle events. In the 100-yard freestyle, she had a record-setting time of 51.72 (previous record 52.66 - Suzie Helvig '95), and in the 200-yard freestyle, Hennen had a meet record time of 1:52.00 (previous record 1:53.81 - Susan Suomu '91).

Single event winners for the Maroon team were junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)** in the 1,000-yard freestyle with a meet record time of 10:00.20 (previous record 10:13.61 - Lynn Newton '91); senior **DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)** in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:06.35); frosh **AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY)** in the 50-yard freestyle (24.58); frosh **KATE MCMILLAN (PALANTINE, IL)** in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:25.91); senior **CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)** in 3-meter diving with a meet record 291.40 points (previous record 287.40 - Andrea Berg '95), and **Jashinsky** in the 200-yard individual medley with a meet record 2:09.47 (previous record 2:11.87 - Suomu '91).

Gold winners were sophomore **BETH SHIMANSKI (HUTCHINSON, MN)** in the 100-yard backstroke with a meet record time of 58.38 (previous record 59.04 - Shona Baillie '95); senior **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)** in 1-meter diving with a record 268.90 points (previous record 259.30 - Laurie Nelson '92); frosh **MARTA KNOWLES (DENVER, CO/ST. MARY'S ACADEMY)** in the 200-yard backstroke (2:08.18) and **Schuh** in the 100-yard butterfly with a meet record 56.50 (previous record 56.82 - Schuh '95). The Gold team won both relays, with the medley relay setting a meet record. The 200-yard medley relay team members were Shimanski, junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)**, Schuh and senior **SUZIE HELVIG (MANDAN, ND)**, and they had a record-setting time of 1:46.91 (previous record 1:50.15 - Baillie, Leslie Wilcox, Schuh, Kim Bryant '95). The 400-yard freestyle relay team winners were Schuh, sophomore **KRISSY BERGLUND (SOMERVILLE, NJ)**, senior **ALICIA HICKEN (CAMPBELLVILLE, ONT, CANADA)** and Hennen.

Annual Alumni Meet

Maroon 160

Gold 138

200-yard medley relay: 1. Gold A (Beth Shimanski, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Suzie Helvig) 1:46.91. 2. Maroon A (Shona Baillie, Kate McMillan, Carrie Raeth, Terri Jashinsky) 1:48.20.

1000-yard freestyle: 1. Olga Splichalova, MAR, 10:00.20. 2. Kimberly Wilson, GOLD, 10:22.61. 3. Jessica Grass, MAR, 10:31.30.

200-yard freestyle: 1. Jenny Hennen, GOLD, 1:52.00. 2. Alicia Hicken, GOLD, 1:56.33. 3. Amy Cottrill, MAR, 1:57.77.

100-yard backstroke: 1. Shimanski, GOLD, 58.38. 2. Baillie, MAR, 59.56. 3. Raeth, MAR, 1:02.49.

100-yard breaststroke: 1. Devon Coellner, MAR, 1:06.35. 2. McMillan, MAR, 1:07.64. 3. Michelle Fischer, MAR, 1:09.15.

200-yard butterfly: 1. Jessica Grass, MAR, 2:04.40. 2. Jashinsky, MAR, 2:05.49. 3. Schuh, GOLD, 2:07.18.

50-yard freestyle: 1. Cottrill, MAR, 24.58. 2. Hegener, GOLD, 24.91. 3. Heather Miller, MAR, 24.99.

100-yard freestyle: 1. Hennen, GOLD, 51.72. 2. Splichalova, MAR, 53.11. 3. Helvig, GOLD, 53.92.

1-meter diving: 1. Andrea Berg, GOLD, 268.90. 2. Carrie Hansen, MAR, 267.10. 3. Jenny Cook, MAR, 239.65.

200-yard backstroke: 1. Knowles, GOLD, 2:08.18. 2. Shimanski, GOLD, 2:11.65. 3. Wilson, GOLD, 2:11.81.

200-yard breaststroke: 1. McMillan, MAR, 2:25.91. 2. Splichalova, MAR, 2:27.18. 3. Fischer, MAR, 2:27.76.

500-yard freestyle: 1. Grass, MAR, 5:06.98. 2. Hicken, GOLD, 5:08.14. 3. Elizabeth Weld, MAR, 5:18.39.

100-yard butterfly: 1. Schuh, GOLD, 56.50. 2. Jashinsky, MAR, 57.20. 3. Raeth, MAR, 59.26.

200-individual medley: 1. Jashinsky, MAR, 2:09.47. 2. Coellner, MAR, 2:10.28. 3. Knowles, GOLD, 2:13.52.

3-meter diving: 1. Hansen, MAR, 291.40. 2. Berg, GOLD, 269.70. 3. Cook, MAR, 263.40.

400-yard freestyle relay: 1. Gold A (Schuh, Berglund, Hicken, Hennen) 3:37.38. 2. Maroon A (Weld, Miller, Cottrill, Splichalova) 3:41.07.

As of: October 26, 1996
 Northwestern
 23 Matches played
 16 Wins, 7 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

# Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1 Baker, B.	23	62	0	0	1	.000	2	0	0	6	0	0	73
2 Fiamengo, T.	23	79	168	58	386	.285	47	0	0	13	1	40	122
3 Miller, M.	21	41	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	5	0	3	22
4 McDonell, J.	23	53	55	32	137	.168	2	0	0	9	2	14	77
6 Hebert, H.	21	35	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	4	0	0	21
7 Baynes, T.	19	66	118	53	291	.223	13	0	0	13	15	78	75
8 DeDecker, K.	23	81	506	135	1170	.317	26	0	0	25	17	54	224
9 Passer, J.	23	81	240	72	520	.323	18	0	0	17	11	88	215
10 Pearman, S.	23	80	224	120	597	.174	30	0	0	13	5	33	297
13 Bauer, B.	22	77	88	31	212	.269	1031	0	0	23	5	64	147
14 Shudlick, S.	19	47	0	1	5	-.200	12	0	0	6	0	0	41
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS	23	81	1409	504	3340	.271	1249	0	0	134	56	374	1314
TEAM BLOCKS:	243												

Negatives

Per Game Average

# Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1 Baker, B.	62	0	2	0	13	0.00	0.03	0.10	1.18	0.00	0.24
2 Fiamengo, T.	79	1	1	7	27	2.13	0.59	0.16	1.54	0.52	0.44
3 Miller, M.	41	0	0	1	9	0.24	1.63	0.12	0.54	0.07	0.24
4 McDonell, J.	53	0	9	2	15	1.04	0.04	0.17	1.45	0.30	0.49
6 Hebert, H.	35	0	4	0	4	0.00	0.03	0.11	0.60	0.00	0.23
7 Baynes, T.	66	5	4	5	31	1.79	0.20	0.20	1.14	1.41	0.61
8 DeDecker, K.	81	2	33	3	61	6.25	0.32	0.31	2.77	0.88	1.20
9 Passer, J.	81	1	6	5	25	2.96	0.22	0.21	2.65	1.22	0.44
10 Pearman, S.	80	2	29	3	51	2.80	0.38	0.16	3.71	0.47	1.04
13 Bauer, B.	77	25	0	11	30	1.14	13.39	0.30	1.91	0.90	0.53
14 Shudlick, S.	47	0	1	0	13	0.00	0.26	0.13	0.87	0.00	0.30
0	0	0	2	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS	81	36	91	37	279	17.40	15.42	1.65	16.22	3.00	5.02

University of Minnesota - 1996
Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15,12-15,15- 8,14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15,13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15- 4,15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15- 6,15-13,15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15,15- 6,15- 7,15- 2		
#19 Georgia Tech	Loss 2-3	9-13-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 14-16,15- 9,15- 8, 7-15,12-15		
Marshall	Win 3-0	September 14, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 3,15-12,15- 8		
Arkansas	Win 3-0	9-14-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15- 7,16-14,15- 9		
Providence	Win 3-1	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15- 7,14-16,15- 1,15- 4		
Dartmouth	Win 3-0	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-10,15- 5,15- 5		
Bucknell	Win 3-0	Sept. 21, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-11,15- 4,15- 7		
Boston College	Win 3-0	Sept. 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-13,15- 0,15- 2		
* #2 Penn State	Loss 0-3	September 27, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 11-15, 3-15,12-15		
* #8 Ohio State	Win 3-0	September 28, 1996	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15-12,15-13,15-11		
* Iowa	Win 3-2	October 4, 1996	Iowa City, Iowa
	Game scores: 14-16,13-15,15-11,17-15,15-13		
* Illinois	Win 3-1	October 5, 1996	Champaign, Ill.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15-13,13-15,15-13		
* #9 Wisconsin	Loss 0-3	October 9, 1996	Madison, Wis.
	Game scores: 9-20,10-19,10-16		
* Michigan	Win 3-0	October 12, 1996	Ann Arbor, Mich.
	Game scores: 15-12,15- 6,15-11		
* Indiana	Win 3-1	October 18, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 12- 7,10-11,16-10,17- 8		
* Purdue	Win 3-1	October 19, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 6, 6-15,15- 7,15-13		
* Michigan State	Loss 0-3	October 25, 1996	E. Lansing, Mich.
	Game scores: 9-15,13-15, 7-15		
* Northwestern	Win 3-1	October 26, 1996	Evanston, Ill.
	Game scores: 15- 7,15-11,16-18,15- 6		

* denotes Conference Match.

RECORD ---- Overall -- 16- 7
Conference -- 7- 3

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	at Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		NA
Sept. 2	at Butler	W	3-1	2-0		NA
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	at #4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	vs. #14 Washington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*at Penn State	L	3-2 (OT)	6-2	0-1	NA
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W	1-0	7-2	1-1	442
Sept. 28	*#16 Wisconsin	L	3-1	7-3	1-2	1,427
Oct. 6	Minnesota-Duluth	W	5-0	8-3		587
Oct. 11	* at Michigan State	W	2-1	9-3	2-2	88
Oct. 13	* at Michigan	W	4-2	10-3	3-2	347
Oct. 18	* Indiana	W	2-1	11-3	4-2	361
Oct. 20	* Ohio State	W	1-0	12-3	5-2	426
Oct. 25	vs. #2 North Carolina	L	2-0	12-4		N/A
Oct. 27	vs. Northern Illinois	W	3-1	13-4		N/A
Nov. 3	Evansville					

*Big Ten Conference match

Overall Record: 13-4
 Home Record: 7-1
 Away Record: 4-2
 Neutral Record: 2-1
 Overtime Record: 0-1

Big Ten Record: 5-2
 Home Record: 3-1
 Away Record: 2-1

Goals for: 42

Goals Against: 18

Goals for, first half: 15
 Goals for, second half: 27
 Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 9
 Goals against, second half: 8
 Goals against, overtime: 1

Home Attendance: 4571/ 571 per match

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erika Berghauer	2	0	0	1	0	0
Corinne Bolder	17	16	4	31	3	11
Sarah Conners	11	0	1	8	1	3
Michealene Denney	17	17	1	4	0	2
Rose Grimm	2	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	17	17	10	41	8	28
Allison Johnson	17	17	0	9	1	1
Megan Johnson	14	11	1	11	9	11
Amy Koehler	14	0	1	2	0	2
Erika Kruse	12	0	1	2	0	2
Nicole Lee	17	13	8	31	4	20
Jennifer McElmury	17	17	11	71	7	29
Dorsey Nelson	7	0	0	0	0	0
Jaime O'Gara	3	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	9	1	0	6	0	0
Kelly Shea	17	17	1	10	1	3
Colleen Tierney	6	0	0	3	0	0
Vanessa Touset	17	17	0	10	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	12	1	7
Jamie Wyffels	17	17	0	1	0	0
Totals	17	17	42	262	35	119

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	11	9	790	9	46	1.02	3	2
Dana Larson	10	8	730	9	41	1.11	2	2
Totals		17	1520	18	87	1.06	5	2

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
67	137	2

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	15	27	0	0	42
Opponents	9	8	1	0	18

1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/7	Intrasquad/Alumni (St. Paul, MN)	Gold 27, Maroon 28		10/19	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	2nd (43 points)
9/14	Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd (36 points)		10/26	Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)	No team scores
9/21	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	1-2nd (81 points)		11/2	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)	
9/28	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)	10th (272 points)		11/16	at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)	
10/12	at Auburn, Invitational (Auburn, AL)	8th (220 points)		11/25	at NCAA Championships (Tuscon, AZ)	

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (5,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)	20:31 (M171/4th)	DNC	DNC	22:50 (12th)		
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)	20:35 (M177/5th)	DNC	DNC	DNC		
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)	19:46 (M95/1st)	DNC	DNC	20:33 (8th)		
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st /1st)	DNC	16:50 (5th/1st)	DNC	17:58 (3rd/1st)	DNC		
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)	19:03 (141st/12th)	18:58.7 (113th/8th)	19:51 (51st/11th)	19:54 (6th)		
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC	18:37 (99th/5th)	18:41 (77th/4th)	19:52 (49th/10th)	DNC		
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)	18:51 (125th/10th)	19:25.0 (146th/10th)	DNC	18:58 (1st)		
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC	18:12 (60th/3rd)	18:11.0 (35th/1st)	18:51 (12th/2nd)	DNC		
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNC	20:39 (9th)		
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC	18:39 (102nd/6th)	18:48.6 (92nd/6th)	19:21 (31st/8th)	DNC		
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)	18:43 (109th/8th)	18:52.7 (110th/7th)	19:18 (29th/7th)	DNC		
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC	18:47 (115th/9th)	DNC	DNC	19:13 (2nd)		
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)	20:19 (M145/2nd)	DNC	DNC	20:19 (7th)		
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)	19:51 (177th/16th)	DNC	DNC	19:49 (4th)		
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC	18:20 (74th/4th)	18:23.3 (55th/3rd)	19:02 (16th/4th)	DNC		
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC	18:58 (135th/11th)	18:59.9 (116th/9th)	19:07 (22nd/5th)	DNC		
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)	20:48 (M201/6th)	DNC	DNC	21:47 (11th)		
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	19:50		
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)	21:44 (105th/9th)	20:22 (M153/3rd)	DNC	DNC	21:31 (10th)		
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC	18:42 (107th/7th)	18:46.5 (89th/5th)	19:39 (44th/9th)	DNC		
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)	19:42 (173rd/15th)	DNC	DNC	19:51 (5th)		
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)	19:23 (155th/14th)	DNC	DNC	19:39 (3rd)		
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC	17:57 (40th/2nd)	18:12.0 (36th/2nd)	18:55 (13th/3rd)	DNC		
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC	19:05 (144th/13th)	21:03.0 (256th/11th)	19:15 (25th/6th)	DNC		



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, November 6
VB hosts Wisconsin 7 p.m.

Thursday, November 7
TN at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Madison, WI)
TN at Indiana Regional Invitational
(Bloomington, IN)

Friday, November 8
VB hosts Michigan 7 p.m.
SC at Big Ten Championships
(Columbus, Ohio) 2:30 p.m.
TN at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Madison, WI)
TN at Indiana Regional Invitational
(Bloomington, IN)
SW at Iowa State 4 p.m.
(Ames, Iowa)

Saturday, November 9
SW hosts Penn State 2 p.m.
SC at Big Ten Championships
(Columbus, Ohio)
TN at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Madison, WI)
TN at Indiana Regional Invitational
(Bloomington, IN)

Sunday, November 10
SC at Big Ten Championships *
(Columbus, Ohio)
TN at Rolex Regional Qualifier
(Madison, WI)
TN at Indiana Regional Invitational
(Bloomington, IN)

* Live--Midwest Sports Channel (MSC)

Bauer Named Athlete of the Month

Junior setter **BECKY BAUER** (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON) has been named the Minnesota Women's Athletics Department's October Athlete of the Month. Bauer was honored as the AVCA National Player of the Week and the co-Big Ten Volleyball Player of the Week after wins at Iowa and Illinois and led the Gophers to a record of 6-2 during October. In the win at Iowa, Bauer tallied the only triple-double of the season for the Gophers, with 14 kills, 77 assists and 11 digs. Currently ranked second in the Big Ten and 13th nationally in assists per game, Bauer improved her season average to 13.52 with 413 assists in 30 games during the month. She also collected 46 kills and hit a .280 attack percentage.

Volleyball

SPIKERS HOST WISCONSIN IN MIDWEEK BATTLE THEN MICHIGAN ON FRIDAY — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 18-7 overall and 9-3 in the Big Ten, hosts #13 Wisconsin on Wednesday, Nov. 6, in a battle of teams currently entangled in a three-way tie for third-place in the Big Ten standings. Michigan then comes to town on Friday, Nov. 8.

GOPHERS TIED FOR THIRD IN BIG TEN WITH 9-3 MARK — The Gophers are currently tied with Ohio State and Wisconsin at 9-3 for third place in the Big Ten standings. Michigan State leads the way with a perfect 12-0 mark, followed by Penn State in second at 10-2. Minnesota was picked to finish eighth in the conference in a preseason poll of conference coaches.

MSC BROADCASTS WISCONSIN MATCH LIVE — Midwest Sports Channel (MSC) will broadcast Wednesday night's match against Wisconsin live. Ryan Lefebvre will handle the play-by-play and Minnesota athletics director Chris Voelz will serve as the color analyst.

THE RECORD AWAITS DeDECKER — The countdown to both the Minnesota and Big Ten career-kill records began in the Gophers' first match of the season and now stands at 28. **KATRIEN DeDECKER** (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATH-ENEUM), whose kill count stands at 2,112, is 28 kills from Andrea Gonzalez' (1985-88) Minnesota and Big Ten record of 2,140 career kills.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— The maroon and gold is led by senior **Katrien DeDecker**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **Becky Bauer** while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER** (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL) and sophomore **TARA BAYNES** (BELLE PLAINE, MINN./BELLE PLAINE) and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO** (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY) and junior **SARAH PEARMAN** (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY) are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn/Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

BIG TEN STANDINGS

(as of Nov. 4)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Michigan State	12	0	1.000	18	4	.818
Penn State	10	2	.833	21	2	.913
Ohio State	9	3	.750	20	3	.870
Wisconsin	9	3	.750	19	3	.864
MINNESOTA	9	3	.750	18	7	.720
Purdue	4	8	.333	11	13	.458
Illinois	4	8	.333	9	11	.450
Iowa	3	9	.250	8	15	.348
Michigan	4	8	.333	9	14	.391
Indiana	2	10	.167	8	16	.333
Northwestern	0	12	.000	9	16	.360

This Week in the Big Ten —

Wed., Nov. 6	Wisconsin at Minnesota
Fri., Nov. 8	Michigan at Minnesota Michigan State at Ohio State Northwestern at Penn State Purdue at Iowa Indiana at Illinois
Sat., Nov. 9	Michigan State at Penn State Michigan at Wisconsin Northwestern at Ohio State Purdue at Illinois Indiana at Iowa

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS—

WISCONSIN—The Badgers own an impressive record of 19-3 on the season, 9-3 in the Big Ten. Win or lose, Wisconsin does it in three-game matches. Only seven of its 22 matches have gone longer than the three-game minimum; all of which were victories. Each of the Badgers' three losses, Penn State, Michigan and Michigan State, also went three games. Junior outside hitter **Amy Lee** leads a powerful Badger attack with 283 kills. Middle blocker **Kelly Kennedy** is making a strong bid for Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors, checking in with a team-high .366 attack percentage and 175 kills. **Heather Dodaro** is second on

the team with 217 kills and first with 122 total blocks from her middle blocker position. Solidifying the Badger lineup is one of the best setters in the nation in senior **Laura Abbinante**. **Abbinante's** 925 assists equal an average of 14.02 a game, the best in the Big Ten.

Wisconsin head coach **John Cook** is in his fifth season with the Badgers and sports a 95-60 (.613) record. **Cook** led the Badgers to NCAA Tournament appearances in 1993 and 1994, and to the National Invitational Volleyball Championship last season.

The Series—Wisconsin captured a 3-0 victory in Madison earlier this season, but Minnesota still owns a 24-15 advantage in series play against the Badgers. The series over the last 10 matches is split at 5-5.

The Last Time Against Wisconsin — The Gophers ran into a big road block in losing 3-0 to #9-ranked Wisconsin in Madison on Oct. 9. Games scores of 20-9, 19-10 and 16-10 reflect the television scoring format. The Badgers collected 18 total team blocks to frustrate the Minnesota offense. The Gophers hit just .071 in the match, the lowest team attack percentage of the season, while Wisconsin fared much better at .291. A pesky Badger defense focused on stopping **Katrien DeDecker**, but **DeDecker** still hit 14 kills to lead all Gopher attackers. Wisconsin's **Amy Lee** tallied a triple-double with 17 kills, 12 digs and 10 blocks.

MICHIGAN --The Wolverines are 9-14 overall and 4-8 in the Big Ten. Michigan, coming off four straight matches at home, returns to the trials and tribulations of the road where the Wolverines own a 4-9 overall record, 1-5 in league play. Michigan's offense revolves around a solid nucleus of hitters with over 200 kills in **Kelly Chase**, **Sarah Jackson** and **Shareen Luze**. **Chase** leads the way with 253, while **Jackson** has landed 246 in a team-high .275 attack percentage. **Luze**, who missed this season's first meeting with the Gophers to attend a family wedding, has 213 kills. Setter **Linnea Mendoza** owns 937 assists on the season.

Michigan head coach **Greg Giovanazzi** is in his fifth season with Michigan and owns a record of 66-83 (.443) record. He led the Wolverines to a postseason appearance in the 1995 National Invitational Volleyball Championship; Michigan's first postseason action since 1981.

The Series—Minnesota has dominated Michigan in volleyball owning the series lead by a 29-4 margin. The Gophers have won six of the last seven matches against the Wolverines, including a 3-0 win in Ann Arbor earlier this season.

The Last Time Against Michigan — The Gophers put together one of their best all-around matches of the season in defeating Michigan at Ann Arbor on Oct. 12, by game scores of 15-12, 15-6, 15-11. As a team, Minnesota hit an impressive .352 in the match behind 19 kills from **Katrien DeDecker**, 17 from **Jane Passer** and 12 from **Tera Fiamengo**. In all, four of the six starters hit above the team's average for the match. Setter **Becky Bauer** collected five kills in seven attacks, without an error, for a team-high .714 hitting percentage. **Fiamengo** contributed one of her best offensive matches hitting .526.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT—Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 590-262 and a .692 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES—Maurice Batie and Nao Ikeda are in their first seasons at Minnesota and third with Mike Hebert. Batie and Ikeda worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

GOPHER REWIND—Three straight victories, including home wins over Illinois and Iowa, have improved the Minnesota's record to 18-7 overall and 9-3 in the Big Ten.

THE ILLINOIS MATCH: The Gophers treated a record Sports Pavilion crowd of 3,514 fans to a 13-15, 15-8, 15-4, 17-19, 15-9 victory over Illinois. After dropping game one, the Gophers used six second-game service aces to get back into the match. Four of those aces were served up by newcomer Susan Shudlick. Minnesota breezed to a win in game three before a gritty Illinois squad fought back to take the 19-17 win in game four. In that game, the Gophers were unable to cash in on six match-point opportunities. Katrien DeDecker smashed five of her team-high 28 kills in the fifth and deciding game to lead the Gophers to the victory. Four Gophers finished in double digits in kills; Tera Fiamengo with 16, Jane Passer with 14, Sarah Pearman with 13, and Tara Baynes with 10.

THE IOWA MATCH: Minnesota collected its second win of the weekend downing Iowa, 3-0, by game scores of 15-6, 15-9, 15-4. The Gophers set a Sports Pavilion record with 15 service aces in the match, seven of them by Tara Baynes. When the serve didn't directly result in a point, the Gopher hitting attack sliced the Hawkeye defense with a .429 team attack percentage. Four starters hit above that percentage, including Sarah Pearman at .550 with 12 kills and Baynes at .529 with 11 kills. Katrien DeDecker smacked 16 kills to capture match honors.

PACKIN' THE PAVILION — The Gopher volleyball team is one of the hottest tickets in town. A crowd of 3,514 watched Minnesota defeat Illinois last Friday night to set a new Sports Pavilion attendance record. That crowd is the sixth largest to ever watch a home Minnesota volleyball match, the top five biggest crowds coming when the Gophers played in Williams Arena. The old Sports Pavilion record was 2,398 for the 1995 match against Indiana.

DeDECKER AND THE RECORD WATCH—Senior Katrien DeDecker continues her assault on opponent defenses and the Minnesota record books in her final season with the Gophers. A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, DeDecker is only 29

kills away from becoming the all-time kill leader in Minnesota history and Big Ten record. Earlier this season against Iowa, she moved into second-place surpassing Chris Schaefer's total of 1,896 career kills and now has 2,112 kills in her illustrious career. DeDecker has moved on to the list in career digs as well and is currently eighth with 965. She also has a chance by season's end to enter the Minnesota career top ten list in attacks, block assists, total blocks and service aces. DeDecker is trying to become the first-ever Minnesota player to be named a first-team all-American during the NCAA era.

DeDECKER HITS 2,000TH KILL — In a season of milestones, Katrien DeDecker surpassed yet another one when she hit her 2,000th career kill in the match against Purdue. She is just the third player, and second Gopher, in Big Ten history to reach the 2,000-kill plateau. Minnesota's Andrea Gonzalez (1985-88) was the first player to accomplish the feat and still owns the Big Ten career kill record at 2,140. DeDecker is now second on the Big Ten all-time career kill list with 2,112.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN — Katrien DeDecker is moving up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. DeDecker's 28 kills against Illinois was the 14th time this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has five 30-plus kill matches in her career. DeDecker has also hit ten or more kills in an amazing 103 of her 125 career matches.

ONE OF THE BEST IN NCAA HISTORY — Katrien DeDecker is not only aiming at finishing her career as the one of the best players in Minnesota and Big Ten history, but in NCAA volleyball history as well. When DeDecker captures the Minnesota and Big Ten career kill record with her 2,141st kill, she will also enter the NCAA all-time career kill list's top ten. At this time, the NCAA only records the top ten so it is impossible to know where DeDecker's current total of 2,112 ranks.

LEADING THE NATION — Katrien DeDecker's 6.23 kills per game led the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. California State Sacramento's Jill Kaas was second at 6.05 kills a game.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — Becky Bauer was also listed among the national statistics, ranked 13th in assists per game at 13.49. As a team, Minnesota was ranked fifth in kills per game (17.54), sixth in assists per game (15.64) and 14th in hitting percentage (.277).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	7-2
Road matches	6-3
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	9-4
In four-game matches	6-2
In five-game matches	3-1
Record winning the first game	14-1
Record winning first two games	11-0
Record losing first game	4-6
Record losing first two games	1-5

Record vs. ranked opponents 1-5

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

- Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
- Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
- Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
- Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
- Service Aces — 15 vs. Iowa
- Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
- Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
- Blocks Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
- Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

- Kills — 34, **Katrien DeDecker** vs. Illinois
- Attempts — 94, **Katrien DeDecker** vs. Iowa
- Attack Pct. — .800, **Tera Fiamengo** (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
- Assists — 77, **Becky Bauer** vs. Iowa
- Service Aces — 7, **Tara Baynes** vs. Iowa
- Digs — 26, **Sarah Pearman** vs. Georgia Tech
- Block Solos — 5, **Tara Baynes** vs. Kent State
- Block Assists — 9, **Tara Baynes** vs. Iowa

MINNESOTA SLIPS TO SIXTH IN DISTRICT POLL —

Minnesota, despite increasing its number of points in the national poll, slipped from #5 to #6 in the District 2 poll released this week. Ohio State jumped from sixth to third pushing Wisconsin, Ball State and Minnesota down on spot.

District 2 Poll #3 — Oct. 28

1. Michigan State
2. Penn State
3. Ohio State
4. Wisconsin
5. Ball State
6. Minnesota
7. Miami, Ohio
8. Kent State
9. Central Michigan
10. Ohio

MINNESOTA RECEIVES VOTES IN NATIONAL POLL:

HAWAII STILL #1 — For the second straight week, the Gophers received points in the AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches Poll. Minnesota tallied seven points in last week's poll. If the ranking were carried further than 25th, the Gophers would be ranked 39th in the Oct. 29 poll.

Losses by Stanford and Nebraska juggled the top ten in last week's poll, but little else changed as no new teams made their way into the top 25 poll. Michigan State is the highest ranked Big Ten school at #5, up one spot from #6 last week. Penn State also improve one spot to #6. Wisconsin fell from #11 to #13 after losing to Michigan State, while Ohio State remained at #15 for the third straight week.

UP NEXT — The Gophers face Purdue on Friday, Nov. 15, and Indiana on Saturday, Nov. 16, in upcoming road matches next week.

Soccer

MINNESOTA TAKES ON NORTHWESTERN IN FIRST-ROUND OF BIG TEN TOURNAMENT — #14 Minnesota, 13-5 overall and 5-2 in the Big Ten, faces Northwestern, 12-6-1 overall and 3-4 in the Big Ten, in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament. Minnesota, the defending Big Ten Champion, is the third seed in the tournament and will play sixth-seeded Northwestern Friday, Nov. 8, at 2:30 p.m. (CST). The tournament is single elimination with the championship game scheduled for Sunday at 12 noon.

THE BIG TEN TOURNAMENT DRAW--Minnesota is the third seed in this year's tournament. Wisconsin is the #1 seed followed by Penn State, Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio State, Northwestern, Indiana and Michigan State.

Friday, Nov. 8, 1996 (all times CST)

- #1 Wisconsin vs. #8 Michigan State 9 a.m.
- #4 Michigan vs. #5 Ohio State 11 a.m.
- #2 Penn State vs. #7 Indiana 1 p.m.
- #3 Minnesota vs. #6 Northwestern 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 9, 1996

- Winner of game one vs. winner of game two 10 a.m.
- Winner of game three vs. winner of game four 1 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 10, 1996

- Championship Game 12 noon

THE BIG TEN CONFERENCE STANDINGS--Minnesota finished the regular season in third place in the conference standings. Wisconsin was first followed by Penn State and the Gophers. The entire Big Ten Standings:

1. Wisconsin	5-0-2	12-3-4
2. Penn State	5-1-1	14-3-2
3. Minnesota	5-2-0	13-5-0
4. Michigan	3-3-1	9-6-3
5. Ohio State	3-4-0	14-6-0
Northwestern	3-4-0	12-6-1
7. Indiana	2-5-0	8-10-0
8. Michigan State	0-7-0	3-16-0

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME TO BE SHOWN ON MSC--The Big Ten Soccer Championship game will be shown live on Midwest Sports Channel (MSC) Sunday at 12 noon.

MINNESOTA'S BIG TEN HISTORY--The Gophers have advanced to the championship game both years of the Big Ten Tournament. In 1994, the first season of Big Ten Conference soccer, Minnesota finished second losing to Wisconsin, 3-0, in the finals. Last season, Minnesota won the championship defeating the Badgers, 1-0, in Bloomington, Ind.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — Minnesota, ranked 14th in the latest NSCAA poll, has won six of its last eight matches despite losing to Evansville Sunday, 2-1, at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field.

Minnesota has shined on defense this season, allowing an average of 1.12 goals a game and posting seven shutouts. Offensively, Minnesota is down in scoring after the loss of **JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL)** to ACL surgery, but is still getting the job done posting as good of a record in 1996 at this point in the season, than in its Big Ten Championship season last year. Minnesota has turned to senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)**, second team all-America **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN)** and newcomer **NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLINPARK)** for its scoring punch. McElmury is second in the Big Ten in scoring with 31 points, followed closely by Hussey at 29 points and Lee at 20.

The Gophers have also received great play in the nets as **TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA)** and **DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OHIO/HAYES)** have shared time. O'Hearn has started 10 matches, recording three shutouts, two shared shutouts and posting a goals against average of 1.12. Larson started six of the last seven matches and has a 7-2 record and a GAA of 1.11. Larson is expected to get the start against Northwestern.

ABOUT NORTHWESTERN--The Wildcats are 12-6-1 overall and 3-4 in the Big Ten Conference. NU had won five matches in a row before falling to Kentucky over the weekend, 1-0. The Wildcats are coached by Marcia McDermott who is 23-28-4 during her three years at Northwestern. The Wildcats are led by **Stephanie Erickson** who has 13 goals and seven assists for 33 points to lead the Big Ten Conference. Erica Westrich is second in scoring at seven goals and six assists for 20 points followed by **Erin Aubry** at five goals and seven assists for 17 points. The Northwestern goalkeeper is Wendy Scholz who has a record of 12-6-1, giving up 19 goals and posting seven shutouts for a GAA of 1.00.

The series--Minnesota leads 3-0 including beating the Wildcats, 1-0, at the St. Paul Campus Field earlier this year.

GOPHER REWIND— AGAINST EVANSVILLE--#14 Minnesota was upset by Evansville in the regular season final, 2-1, at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field.

Minnesota outshot the Aces 14-9, but it was not enough as Evansville keeper **Misty Long** had nine saves and Minnesota had two balls hit the crossbar. The Gophers scored first when junior **Jennifer McElmury** scored her 12th goal of the season converting the corner kick from **Erin Hussey** at the 28:37 mark. Evansville answered less than a minute later when **Sally Meek** scored her fifth goal of the year when she converted a penalty kick high over the shoulder of Minnesota keeper **Teresa O'Hearn**. The game remained tied until the 77:54 mark when Evansville's **Stephanie Hartong** capitalized on some sloppy defense by the Gophers and put the ball high and to the right of **O'Hearn**.

It was only the third loss suffered by the Gophers in the three-year history of the program playing at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Minnesota now has a 21-3-3 mark at the St. Paul Field and was 6-1 when it played at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium in 1993, the first year of the program.

LAST YEAR COMPARED TO THIS YEAR — Even with the loss of **Jennifer Walek**, the Gophers are right on course with last season's record-breaking year. Through 18 games in 1995, Minnesota was 12-4-2, while in 1996 they are 13-5. The Gophers have seen a shift in offense versus defense in 1996 compared to the first 18 games last season. Minnesota averaged 3.56 goals a game, while giving up 1.33 goals a game with eight shutouts in 1995. This year, Minnesota is averaging 2.39 goals a game, while giving up only 1.11 a game and posting seven shutouts.

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE — Sue Montagne is in her fourth season as head coach for the Gophers. She has a record of 53-22-6 and was named Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1995, when she led her team to the Big Ten Championship and the NCAA Tournament.

INJURY REPORT — **Jennifer Walek** and **NOELLE PAPPENHAUSEN (BURNSVILLE, MN)** are both out for the season with ACL injuries. **JAIME O'GARA (OMAHA, NE/MILLARD NORTH)** is still recovering from a stress fracture and will be out for the rest of the season after being granted a medical hardship. Forward **KRISTEN PETERSON (DEL MAR, CA/VALHALLA)** was out for the Evansville match and could be out possibly longer with a stress fracture. Peterson has played in nine games, starting one for Minnesota. Also on the mend are defender **VANESSA TOUSET (WOODBRIDGE, VA/GAR-FIELD)**, **Erin Hussey** and defender **JAIME WYFFLES (COON RAPIDS, MN)**. Touset has a bruised kidney and her status for the Big Ten Tournament is yet to be determined, while Hussey has a hyperextended knee and Wyffles has a strained hip flexor. Both are listed as day-to-day.

GOALIE SHUFFLE; LARSON IS IN—Minnesota has had a changing of the guard in goal as newcomer **Dana Larson** has assumed the starting keeper duties. Larson, 7-2 on the season, has seen action in nine games, starting six of the last seven. She has given up nine goals and has a GAA of 1.11, while making 41 saves. She currently ranks third in the Big Ten Conference in goals against average. Senior **Teresa O'Hearn** started the season in goal, seeing action in 12 games and giving up only 11 goals. **O'Hearn** has a record of 6-3 and a goals against average of 1.12.

McELMURY CONTINUES TO SHINE—**Jennifer McElmury** is the team leader and second in the conference in scoring and making a claim for her second straight season of all-America honors. McElmury has been Minnesota's main offensive threat since the loss of **Jennifer Walek**. McElmury has 12 goals and seven assists for 31 points this season. Last year, the second-team all-American and first-team all-Big Ten and all-Great Lakes Region selection had 12 goals and six assists for 30 points.

McELMURY MOVES INTO SECOND ON ALL-TIME SCORING LIST—**Jennifer McElmury** moved into second place on the Gophers' all-time scoring list surpassing former Gopher and third-team academic all-American recipient **Gretchen Brandt**. McElmury has 89 points in her illustrious career. Brandt recorded 79 points while playing for the Gophers

from 1993-95. First on the all-time scoring list is Jennifer Walek, who has 142 points for her career.

MOVE OVER AGAIN GRETCHEN—Erin Hussey moved into third place on the all-time scoring list with a goal against Ohio State. Hussey has 82 points in her career, while Gretchen Brandt has 79. Next up is teammate Jennifer McElmury at 89.

LEE MAKING STRONG CASE FOR NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR HONORS—First-year forward Nicole Lee is making a strong attempt for Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors. Lee is seeing increased playing time filling in for Jennifer Walek and making the most of it. Through 18 games, Lee is third on the team in scoring with eight goals and four assists for 20 points and ranks eighth in the Big Ten in scoring, just trailing Penn State newcomer Kelly Convey in scoring at 22. Lee has been struggling of late though, as she has not scored a point in seven consecutive matches.

HUSSEY SOLID FOR GOPHERS— Erin Hussey is second on the team in scoring with 10 goals and nine assists for 28 points. She also ranks fourth in the conference in scoring after leading much of the season. Hussey exploded out of the gate this season with four goals and two assists against Valparaiso in the first match of the season. Hussey's four goals and 10 points were new Minnesota varsity records for goals and points scored in a match. For her efforts that week, Hussey was named Big Ten Player of the Week for September 3.

HUSSEY ADDS TO HER CONSECUTIVE GAMES STREAK--Senior Erin Hussey is the only member of the Minnesota team to have played in every game since the inception of the program, starting all but one of those games. Hussey is the Minnesota career-record holder in games played with 80.

DENNEY ANCHORS THE DEFENSE—Defender Mikki Denney is the anchor of the Minnesota defense that has allowed only 20 goals and recorded seven shutouts in 18 games this season, better than its Big Ten Championship numbers from last season. Denney, a two-time all-Big Ten and an all-region pick, is also contributing offensively, scoring the first goal of her career against Wisconsin.

BOLDER'S PEAKS AND VALLEYS — Sophomore Corinne Bolder has fallen back into her slump. A second-team all-Big Ten selection in 1995, Bolder had only one goal and one assist through 10 games, but exploded in the middle of the season before hitting another valley. Bolder had a goal and an assist against UMD, then had a goal against Michigan State and a goal and assist against Michigan. Bolder has not scored since the Michigan game. Last season, Bolder had 11 goals and 11 assists for 33 points.

MEGAN JOHNSON: THE PLAYMAKER — Yes, Megan Johnson finally scored after being designated the playmaker for the Gophers. Johnson had nine assists for the Gophers on the season before finally connecting on a goal of her own against Northern Illinois, the first of her Gopher career. Johnson is currently tied with Corinne Bolder for fourth on the team in scoring with one goal and nine assists for 11 points.

TOUSET ALSO PLAYING LIKE AN ALL-BIG TEN PLAYER--Vanessa Tousest quietly is having an all-Big Ten season. Tousest is a member of the Gopher defense that has allowed only 20 goals in 18 games this season.

MINNESOTA HAS THREE NAMED ALL-TOURNAMENT AT WISCONSIN INVITATIONAL— Minnesota had three players named to the all-tournament team as McElmury, Hussey and sophomore Vanessa Tousest, who played stellar defense the entire weekend, garnered honors for the Gophers. McElmury had a goal and an assist, while Hussey had an assist for the maroon and gold.

THE POLLS — Minnesota currently ranks #14 in the latest NSCAA Soccer Poll and #12 in Soccer America. The Gophers have tumbled a bit after being ranked 10th in the nation earlier in the season.

NSCAA/Umbro Select Women's Rankings

1 Notre Dame (14)	16-1-0	374
2 No. Carolina (1)	15-1-0	361
3 Portland	12-0-2	339
4 Connecticut	17-1-0	336
5 Nebraska	17-0-0	312
6 Santa Clara	12-3-1	284
7 Texas A&M	16-2-0	282
8 Maryland	16-1-2	277
9 Florida	17-1-0	268
10 Wisconsin	11-3-3	226
11 Harvard	12-1-0	216
12 UNCG	14-3-0	212
13 Virginia	11-4-2	202
14 Minnesota	14-3-0	195
15 Penn State	12-3-2	166
16 Clemson	11-5-1	123
17 J. Madison	11-4-1	112
18 Kentucky	12-3-2	107
19 Dartmouth	11-2-0	100
20 BYU	17-1-0	91
21 No. Carolina St.	11-6-1	63
22 G. Mason	10-4-1	54
23 G. Washington	10-4-2	44
24 Vanderbilt	10-8-0	43
25 California	11-3-1	40

MINNESOTA THIRD IN THE REGION--The Gophers are currently ranked third in the region behind top-ranked Notre Dame and Wisconsin. The Regional rankings as of October 28.

1. Notre Dame
2. Wisconsin
3. Minnesota
4. Kentucky
5. Northwestern
6. Ohio State
7. Butler
8. Cincinnati
9. Detroit
10. Michigan

Basketball

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PRACTICE—Basketball continues to practice in anticipation for its first exhibition game Thursday, Nov. 14, versus a Eastern European squad. Minnesota will play a team from Lithuania.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE—

Tuesday, Nov. 5	OFF	
Wednesday, Nov. 6	1-3:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Thursday, Nov. 7	7-9:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Friday, Nov. 8	1-3:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Saturday, Nov. 9	10 a.m. Clinic	Pavilion
Sunday, Nov. 10	10-12:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Monday, Nov. 11	12:30-3 p.m.	Pavilion

Players and coaches are available for interviews Monday-Friday after practice. Please contact Lisa Nelson in the Sports Information Office at (612) 624-9396 to set up an interview. The doors of the Pavilion are locked after 5 p.m. and on weekends, so special arrangements need to be made through Lisa Nelson.

BIG TEN BASKETBALL LUNCHEON -- The 1996 Big Ten Women's Basketball Luncheon is Thursday, Nov. 7, at the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis. All 11 head coaches will appear and tickets are \$25. Media registration is at 7:30 a.m. with coach interviews from 8:30-11 a.m. The media will not be charged for luncheon tickets. For more information, contact the Big Ten Office at (847) 696-1010.

THE ALUM GAME--Minnesota will host the annual Alum game Sunday, Nov. 17, at the Sports Pavilion. Game time is 2 p.m. Come see many former Gopher greats take the court.

THE ROSTER--Minnesota added a player to its roster, raising the number to nine total players. **MARGARET BLUM (MILWAUKEE, WI)** has walked on the squad. Blum is a 6-1 post player. The rest of the active roster:

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Ht.	Hometown/High School
23	Kiauna Burns	G	Fr.	5-7	Litchfield, MN/Litchfield
15	Jaime Ellis	G	Jr.	5-9	Lake Oswego, OR/Lake Oswego
12	Mindy Hansen	G	So.	5-9	Chaska, MN/Chaska
32	Lynda Hass	F	So.	6-0	St. Francis, MN/St. Francis
53	Angie Iverson	F	Jr.	6-0	Owatonna, MN/Owatonna
45	Sarah Klun	F	So.	6-0	Madison, WI/LaFollette
21	Sonja Robinson	F	So.	5-10	Scottsdale, AZ/Chaparral
35	Andrea Seago	C	Fr.	6-3	Cherry Valley, IL/Rockford Guilford

Head Coach: Linda Hill-MacDonald (West Chester State, 1970)
Assistant Coaches: Tréka McMillan (South Carolina, 1992),
Crystal Flint (Minnesota, 1995), Cara Pearson (Minnesota, 1995)

Cross Country

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota finished fifth with 134 points at the Big Ten Championships in Bloomington, Indiana, on Saturday. The Gophers were led by junior **KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON)**, who finished 14th in a time of 18:29. Newcomer **MINNA HARONOJA (ILLA, FINLAND/VAMMALA)** was 21st in a time of 18:39. Sophomore **ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)**, who was suffering from bronchitis, finished 28th in 18:53. Wisconsin, with six runners among the top 10 finishers, tallied 28 points to finish first for the second consecutive year. Penn State's **Kim McGreevy** was the individual winner in a time of 17:45.

Overall finishers

1. Kim McGreevy, Penn State, 17:45.5. 2. Erin St. John, Penn State, 17:46.2. 3. Angie Kujak, Wisconsin, 17:47.5. 4. Jenni Westphal, Wisconsin, 17:48.2. 5. Stephanie Duehinger, Michigan State, 17:49.3. 6. Sara Fredrickson, Wisconsin, 17:50.2. 7. Janet Westphal, Wisconsin, 17:55.5. 8. Jenelle Deatherage, Wisconsin, 18:00.2. 9. March Akard, Michigan, 18:17.4. 10. Sho Kroeger, Wisconsin, 18:20.4.

Minnesota finishers

14. Kari Thompson, 18:29.3 21. Minna Haronoja, 18:39.1 28. Anna Gullingsrud, 18:53.6. 35. Andrea Lentz, 19:03.6. 41. Amy Hoel, 19:13.7. 48. Bridget Neutgens, 19:19.9. 52. Janet Howe, 19:26.3. 54. Karen Kleindl, 19:27.7. 79. Keri Zweig, 20:20.7.

Team finishers

1. Wisconsin, 28. 2. Penn State, 56. 3. Michigan, 74. 4. Michigan State, 108. 5. Minnesota, 134. 6. Illinois, 186. 7. Indiana, 208. 8. Purdue, 218. 9. Iowa, 223. 10. Ohio State, 288.

UP NEXT — The Gophers have the weekend off to prepare for the Region IV Championships. Minnesota will send its top nine runners to the regional meet in Champaign, Ill., on November 16.

Tennis

TENNIS GOES TO REGIONAL MEETS—Minnesota will send five athletes to Madison, Wis., for the Rolex Regional Qualifier and the rest of the squad to Bloomington, Ind., for the Indiana Regional Invitational. ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR), NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY), JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH), JENNI SYEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL) and TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM) will all travel to Madison for the Rolex Tournament.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 37th in the preseason Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41, after getting as high as #30 in the spring. Minnesota has no individual players ranked in singles nor doubles in the preseason poll. The next rankings come out the first week of December.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota had a successful weekend at the Wolfpack Invitational in Raleigh, NC, two weeks ago. Nora Sauska remained undefeated on the season winning the A Flight singles championships. Sauska won four matches to improve her record to 8-0. Sophomore JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC) placed second in the C draw, while sophomore Tarah Elkins and newcomer KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/CENTRAL BUCKS WEST) placed third in their respective divisions. Minnesota went 17-10 on the weekend in singles and is now 37-21 (.638) in singles and 11-11 in doubles (.500).

In California, Alice Rangsithienchai went 2-1 and almost advanced to the qualifying draw at the Riviera All-American Classic. Rangsithienchai lost to Wendy Fix of Duke in the match that would have advanced her to the next round. Jennifer Hayes lost her only singles match and the doubles team of Hayes/Rangsithienchai lost in the first round of the doubles draw.

HEAD COACH MARTIN NOVAK—Martin Novak is back for his seventh season as head coach of the Gophers. Last year, Novak led the Gophers to a 16-8 overall record and a 9-4 Big Ten mark, while achieving a national ranking of #31. Minnesota also advanced to the semifinals of the NCAA Midwest Regionals and placed in a tie for third at the Big Ten Tournament, the highest ever for a Minnesota squad.

SAUSKA IS HOT--Nora Sauska is 8-0 in her young collegiate career and has three titles to her credit. Sauska is only five wins away from tying the Minnesota record for consecutive wins at 13 held by Lisa Martin set in 1983-84.

EVERYONE PLAYING WELL--As a team, Minnesota has a 37-21 (.638) singles record and an 11-11 (.500) doubles record thus far in 1996.

UP NEXT--After this weekend, the fall season is over. Minnesota will host Vanderbilt January 17, at the 98th Street Club.

Swimming and Diving

GOPHERS HAVE TWO MEETS IN TWO DAYS IN TWO STATES--The 15th-ranked University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team have a pair of dual meets Friday and Saturday, Nov. 8 and 9, with one meet away and the other at home.

Minnesota (1-0, 0-0) will send its "depth squad" to Iowa State (1-1, 0-0) in Ames, Iowa, for a dual meet on Friday in the Cyclones home opener. According to the head coach Jean Freeman, the "depth squad" is comprised of the swimmers who did not place in the top three of their respective events this past weekend. Minnesota has a 14-1 won/loss record with Iowa State, with 11 consecutive victories for the Gophers. On Nov. 1, ISU defeated Western Illinois 70-43 and on Nov. 2, lost to Illinois State 181-119.

On Saturday, Minnesota hosts 23rd-ranked Penn State in a dual meet at the University Aquatic Center. This will be the first meet of the year for Penn State. Last season in Happy Valley, the Gophers and Nittany Lions tied 150-150. Minnesota has a 1-1-1 record with PSU.

MINNESOTA WINS SEASON OPENER AT NORTH CAROLINA --In its season opener, Minnesota defeated the 16th-ranked University of North Carolina Tar Heels 158-142, in a dual meet in Chapel Hill, NC on Saturday, Nov. 2. Both teams each won eight events and set seven meet records, but Minnesota's depth in the events gave them the 16-point winning edge. Minnesota is 1-0 for the year and North Carolina in 0-2, with Minnesota having a 3-0 series won/loss record with the Tar Heels.

HEGENER QUALIFIES FOR NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS -- Junior GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN) won the 100-yard breaststroke with an NCAA automatic qualifying time of 1:02.32. She also won the 200-yard breaststroke race with an NCAA consideration time of 2:16.69.

GOPHER'S SWIM NCAA TIMES FOR SCHOOL RECORD -- At the Tar Heel-Gopher dual meet, Minnesota had one swimmer clock an NCAA automatic qualifying time in an individual event. Six swimmers in five events had NCAA consideration times and one Gopher relay team had an NCAA consideration time. This is the first time Minnesota has had a swimmer make automatic NCAA times in the first meet of the year. The Gophers have also never had so many student-athletes make NCAA consideration times at the first meet of the season.

EVENT WINNERS -- The Gophers were first in the 200-yard medley relay with the team of junior SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN/MISSION VIEJO), senior TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER), Hegener and frosh AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY) with an NCAA consideration time of 1:44.39. Junior OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC) was double-event winner, taking the gold in the 500- and 1,000-yard freestyle events. She had an NCAA

consideration time of 4:52.31 in the 500-yard freestyle and a winning time of 9:50.10 in the longer event. Senior **CARRIE HANSEN** (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT) won both the 1- and 3-meter diving events. She surpassed NCAA Zone Diving qualifications in both events, with 256.50 points on the low board and 283.27 points on the 3-meter springboard. Frosh **JENNY HENNEN** (ANOKA, MN) was first in the 200-yard freestyle with an NCAA consideration time of 1:50.47. Minnesota's winning 200-yard medley relay team of **Baillie, Schuh, Hegener and Schuh** had an NCAA consideration time of 1:44.39.

MORE NCAA CONSIDER TIME RESULTS – Senior **JESSICA GRASS** (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT) had an NCAA consideration time and a personal best time of 4:22.52 in the 400-yard individual medley with a second-place finish. Grass is now number two as Minnesota's all-time fastest swimmer in the 400-yard individual medley, moving up from the third spot. In the 100-yard butterfly, two swimmers had NCAA consideration times, with **Schuh** finishing second at 55.65 and frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY** (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI) third with a time of 56.31.

TAR HEEL INVITATIONAL RESULTS – At the four-event unscored Tar Heel Invitational on Friday, Nov. 1, in Chapel Hill, Minnesota was first in one event, second in two others and had four finishers in the top 10 of a 72-competitor event. The Gophers won the 200-yard medley relay with the team of **Baillie, Schuh, Hegener and Hennen**. Grass was second in the 400-yard individual medley and junior **KIMBERLY WILSON** (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY) was second in the 1,650-yard freestyle. In the 50-yard freestyle which featured 72 swimmers, Minnesota had four swimmers in the top 10. **Hennen** was third, **Cottrill** was fourth, **Jashinsky** was sixth and **Hegener** was seventh.

S&D ATHLETES OF THE WEEK– Two swimmers and a diver were named swimming and diving's Athletes of the Week by the coaching staff after their performances versus North Carolina in the dual meet. Sharing the honors are **Hansen** for her two diving victories, **Splichalova** for her pair of freestyle wins and **Hegener** for qualifying for the NCAA championships with her win in the 100-yard breaststroke.

As of: Nov. 2, 1996
 Iowa
 25 Matches played
 18 Wins, 7 Losses

SID Report - Volleyball
 University of Minnesota

Positives

# Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1 Baker, B.	25	68	0	1	2	-.500	2	0	0	7	0	0	79
2 Fiamengo, T.	25	87	189	63	427	.295	51	0	0	16	2	44	134
3 Miller, M.	21	41	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	5	0	3	22
4 McDonell, J.	25	55	55	33	138	.159	2	0	0	9	2	14	77
6 Hebert, H.	23	38	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	4	0	0	22
7 Baynes, T.	21	74	139	60	332	.238	14	0	0	20	16	86	88
8 DeDecker, K.	25	89	550	149	1268	.316	27	0	0	29	18	60	239
9 Passer, J.	25	89	265	80	575	.322	19	0	0	23	13	95	242
10 Pearman, S.	25	88	249	124	657	.190	34	0	0	13	5	35	324
13 Bauer, B.	24	85	95	35	236	.254	1149	0	0	25	6	68	161
14 Shudlick, S.	21	52	0	2	6	-.333	15	0	0	10	0	0	42
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS	25	89	1552	549	3662	.274	1381	0	0	161	62	405	1430
TEAM BLOCKS:	264												

Negatives

Per Game Average

# Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1 Baker, B.	68	0	2	0	16	0.00	0.03	0.10	1.16	0.00	0.26
2 Fiamengo, T.	87	1	1	7	28	2.17	0.59	0.18	1.54	0.53	0.41
3 Miller, M.	41	0	0	1	9	0.24	1.63	0.12	0.54	0.07	0.24
4 McDonell, J.	55	0	9	2	16	1.00	0.04	0.16	1.40	0.29	0.49
6 Hebert, H.	38	0	4	0	4	0.00	0.03	0.11	0.58	0.00	0.21
7 Baynes, T.	74	5	4	7	34	1.88	0.19	0.27	1.19	1.38	0.61
8 DeDecker, K.	89	2	34	3	69	6.18	0.30	0.33	2.69	0.88	1.19
9 Passer, J.	89	1	7	5	28	2.98	0.21	0.26	2.72	1.21	0.45
10 Pearman, S.	88	2	32	3	56	2.83	0.39	0.15	3.68	0.45	1.03
13 Bauer, B.	85	25	0	12	32	1.12	13.52	0.29	1.89	0.87	0.52
14 Shudlick, S.	52	0	1	0	14	0.00	0.29	0.19	0.81	0.00	0.29
0	0	0	2	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS	89	36	96	40	306	17.44	15.52	1.81	16.07	2.97	4.97

University of Minnesota - 1996
Volleyball Season Results

Opponent	Results	Date	Location
#10 San Diego St.	Loss 1-3	8/30/96	San Diego, CA
	Game scores: 6-15,12-15,15- 8,14-16		
San Diego	Loss 0-3	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 9-15,13-15, 9-15		
Cal Northridge	Win 3-0	8/31/96	San Diego, Calif.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15- 4,15-13		
Montana State	Win 3-0	September 6, 1996	Bozeman, MT
	Game scores: 15- 6,15-13,15-13		
Washington	Loss 1-3	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15		
Kent State	Win 3-1	September 7, 1996	Bozeman, Montana
	Game scores: 7-15,15- 6,15- 7,15- 2		
#19 Georgia Tech	Loss 2-3	9-13-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 14-16,15- 9,15- 8, 7-15,12-15		
Marshall	Win 3-0	September 14, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 3,15-12,15- 8		
Arkansas	Win 3-0	9-14-96	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15- 7,16-14,15- 9		
Providence	Win 3-1	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15- 7,14-16,15- 1,15- 4		
Dartmouth	Win 3-0	September 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-10,15- 5,15- 5		
Bucknell	Win 3-0	Sept. 21, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-11,15- 4,15- 7		
Boston College	Win 3-0	Sept. 20, 1996	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
	Game scores: 15-13,15- 0,15- 2		
* #2 Penn State	Loss 0-3	September 27, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 11-15, 3-15,12-15		
* #8 Ohio State	Win 3-0	September 28, 1996	Minneapolis, MN
	Game scores: 15-12,15-13,15-11		
* Iowa	Win 3-2	October 4, 1996	Iowa City, Iowa
	Game scores: 14-16,13-15,15-11,17-15,15-13		
* Illinois	Win 3-1	October 5, 1996	Champaign, Ill.
	Game scores: 15- 8,15-13,13-15,15-13		
* #9 Wisconsin	Loss 0-3	October 9, 1996	Madison, Wis.
	Game scores: 9-20,10-19,10-16		
* Michigan	Win 3-0	October 12, 1996	Ann Arbor, Mich.
	Game scores: 15-12,15- 6,15-11		
* Indiana	Win 3-1	October 18, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 12- 7,10-11,16-10,17- 8		
* Purdue	Win 3-1	October 19, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 6, 6-15,15- 7,15-13		
* Michigan State	Loss 0-3	October 25, 1996	E. Lansing, Mich.
	Game scores: 9-15,13-15, 7-15		
* Northwestern	Win 3-1	October 26, 1996	Evanston, Ill.
	Game scores: 15- 7,15-11,16-18,15- 6		
* Illinois	Win 3-2	November 1, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 13-15,15- 8,15- 4,17-19,15- 9		
* Iowa	Win 3-0	Nov. 2, 1996	Minneapolis, Minn.
	Game scores: 15- 6,15- 9,15- 4		

* denotes Conference Match.

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	at Valparaiso	W 10-0	1-0		NA
Sept. 2	at Butler	W 3-1	2-0		NA
Sept. 7	Auburn	W 2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W 1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	at #4 Portland	L 3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	vs. #14 Washington	W 2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W 1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*at Penn State	L 3-2 (OT)	6-2	0-1	NA
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W 1-0	7-2	1-1	442
Sept. 28	*#16 Wisconsin	L 3-1	7-3	1-2	1,427
Oct. 6	Minnesota-Duluth	W 5-0	8-3		587
Oct. 11	* at Michigan State	W 2-1	9-3	2-2	88
Oct. 13	* at Michigan	W 4-2	10-3	3-2	347
Oct. 18	* Indiana	W 2-1	11-3	4-2	361
Oct. 20	* Ohio State	W 1-0	12-3	5-2	426
Oct. 25	vs. #2 North Carolina	L 2-0	12-4		N/A
Oct. 27	vs. Northern Illinois	W 3-1	13-4		N/A
Nov. 3	Evansville	L 2-1	13-5		520
Nov. 9	! vs. Northwestern				

*Big Ten Conference match
! Big Ten Conference Tournament

Overall Record: 13-5
Home Record: 7-2
Away Record: 4-2
Neutral Record: 2-1
Overtime Record: 0-1

Big Ten Record: 5-2
Home Record: 3-1
Away Record: 2-1

Goals for: 43

Goals Against: 20

Goals for, first half: 16
Goals for, second half: 27
Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 10
Goals against, second half: 9
Goals against, overtime: 1

Home Attendance: 5074/564 per match

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER STATISTICS

Players	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Erika Berghauer	2	0	0	1	0	0
Corinne Bolder	18	17	4	32	3	11
Sarah Conners	12	0	1	8	1	3
Michealene Denney	18	18	1	4	0	2
Rose Grimm	2	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	18	18	10	42	9	29
Allison Johnson	18	18	0	10	1	1
Megan Johnson	15	12	1	12	9	11
Amy Koehler	15	0	1	2	0	2
Erika Kruse	13	0	1	2	0	2
Nicole Lee	18	14	8	31	4	20
Jennifer McElmury	18	18	12	78	7	31
Dorsey Nelson	8	0	0	0	0	0
Jaime O'Gara	3	0	0	0	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	9	1	0	6	0	0
Kelly Shea	18	18	1	11	1	3
Colleen Tierney	7	0	0	5	0	0
Vanessa Touset	18	18	0	10	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	12	1	7
Jamie Wyffels	18	18	0	1	0	0
Totals	18	18	43	276	36	122

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared
Teresa O'Hearn	12	10	880	11	51	1.12	3	2
Dana Larson	10	8	730	9	41	1.11	2	2
Totals		18	1610	20	92	1.12	5	2

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
75	153	2

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	16	27	0	0	43
Opponents	10	9	1	0	20

1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/7	Intrasquad/Alumni (St. Paul, MN)	Gold 27, Maroon 28		10/19	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	2nd (43 points)
9/14	Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd (36 points)		10/26	Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)	No team scores
9/21	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	t-2nd (81 points)		11/2	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)	5th (134 points)
9/28	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)	10th (272 points)		11/16	at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)	
10/12	at Auburn, Invitational (Auburn, AL)	8th (220 points)		11/25	at NCAA Championships (Tuscon, AZ)	

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (5,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)	20:31 (M171/4th)	DNC	DNC	22:50 (12th)	DNC	
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)	20:35 (M177/5th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)	19:46 (M95/1st)	DNC	DNC	20:33 (8th)	DNC	
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st /1st)	DNC	16:50 (5th/1st)	DNC	17:58 (3rd/1st)	DNC	18:53.6 (28th/3rd)	
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)	19:03 (141st/12th)	18:58.7 (113th/8th)	19:51 (51st/11th)	19:54 (6th)	DNC	
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC	18:37 (99th/5th)	18:41 (77th/4th)	19:52 (49th/10th)	DNC	DNC	
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)	18:51 (125th/10th)	19:25.0 (146th/10th)	DNC	18:58 (1st)	DNC	
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC	18:12 (60th/3rd)	18:11.0 (35th/1st)	18:51 (12th/2nd)	DNC	18:39.1 (21st/2nd)	
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNC	20:39 (9th)	DNC	
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC	18:39 (102nd/6th)	18:48.6 (92nd/6th)	19:21 (31st/8th)	DNC	19:13.7 (41st/5th)	
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)	18:43 (109th/8th)	18:52.7 (110th/7th)	19:18 (29th/7th)	DNC	19:26.3 (52nd/7th)	
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC	18:47 (115th/9th)	DNC	DNC	19:13 (2nd)	DNC	
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)	20:19 (M145/2nd)	DNC	DNC	20:19 (7th)	DNC	
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)	19:51 (177th/16th)	DNC	DNC	19:49 (4th)	DNC	
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC	18:20 (74th/4th)	18:23.3 (55th/3rd)	19:02 (16th/4th)	DNC	19:27.7 (54th/8th)	
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC	18:58 (135th/11th)	18:59.9 (116th/9th)	19:07 (22nd/5th)	DNC	19:03.6 (35th/4th)	
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)	20:48 (M201/6th)	DNC	DNC	21:47 (11th)	DNC	
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	19:50	DNC	
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)	21:44 (105th/9th)	20:22 (M153/3rd)	DNC	DNC	21:31 (10th)	DNC	
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC	18:42 (107th/7th)	18:46.5 (89th/5th)	19:39 (44th/9th)	DNC	19:19.9 (48th/6th)	
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)	19:42 (173rd/15th)	DNC	DNC	19:51 (5th)	DNC	
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)	19:23 (155th/14th)	DNC	DNC	19:39 (3rd)	DNC	
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC	17:57 (40th/2nd)	18:12.0 (36th/2nd)	18:55 (13th/3rd)	DNC	18:29.3 (14th/1st)	
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC	19:05 (144th/13th)	21:03.0 (256th/11th)	19:15 (25th/6th)	DNC	20:20.7 (79th/9th)	

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins							6-2		6-2	.800
Jennifer Hayes							0-4		0-4	.000
Jana Hrdinova							5-3		5-3	.500
Alice Rangsithienchai							5-2		5-2	.750
Nora Sauska							8-0		8-0	1.000
Kim Simonsen							5-3		5-3	.500
Jenni Svehla							4-4		4-4	.500
Helen Wang							4-3		4-3	.750
Totals							37-21		37-21	.638

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-2		4-2	.667
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				3-3		3-3	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
				11-11		11-11	.500



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, November 14
BB hosts Lithuania/Latvia 8 p.m.

Friday, November 15
VB at Purdue 6:30 p.m.
(W. Lafayette, Ind.)

Saturday, November 16
SW hosts Nebraska 6 p.m.
CC at District IV Championships 11 a.m.
(Champaign, Ill.)
VB at Indiana 6:30 p.m.
(Bloomington, Ind.)

Sunday, November 17
BB hosts Alum Game 2 p.m.

Volleyball

VOLLEYBALL VISITS PURDUE AND INDIANA THIS WEEKEND — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 19-8 overall and 10-4 in the Big Ten, embarks on an important Big Ten doubleheader weekend with road matches at Purdue on Friday, Nov. 15, and at Indiana on Saturday, Nov. 16.

BIG TEN RACE HEATS UP, GOPHERS IN FOURTH — Three weeks remain in the race for the Big Ten title and things are heating up. Minnesota is tied for fourth with Wisconsin at 10-4, trailing leaders Penn State and Michigan State at 12-2. Ohio State, winners of eight straight matches, has moved into third at 11-3.

THE RECORD FALLS — Senior outside hitter **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)** is now the all-time career kill leader in both Minnesota and Big Ten history. DeDecker surpassed the old record of 2,140 held by Minnesota's **Andrea Gonzalez** last Friday night in a match against Michigan and now has 2,145 kills in her career.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— The maroon and gold is led by senior **Katrien DeDecker**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MINN./BELLE PLAINE)** and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

BIG TEN STANDINGS

(as of Nov. 11)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State	12	2	.857	23	2	.920
Michigan State	12	2	.857	18	6	.750
Ohio State	11	3	.786	22	3	.880
Wisconsin	10	4	.714	20	4	.833
MINNESOTA	10	4	.714	19	8	.704
Illinois	6	8	.429	11	11	.500
Michigan	5	9	.357	10	15	.400
Purdue	4	10	.286	11	15	.423
Iowa	4	10	.286	9	16	.360
Indiana	3	11	.214	9	17	.346
Northwestern	0	14	.000	9	18	.333

This Week in the Big Ten —

Wed., Nov. 13 Ohio State at Penn State

Fri., Nov. 15 Minnesota at Purdue
 Penn State at Michigan
 Illinois at Michigan State
 Wisconsin at Indiana
 Iowa at Northwestern

Sat., Nov. 16 Minnesota at Indiana
 Iowa at Michigan State
 Ohio State at Michigan
 Wisconsin at Purdue
 Illinois at Northwestern

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

PURDUE — Purdue has not found the road easy-going since it last met Minnesota on Oct. 19. The Boilermakers have won just one match since that time and currently own an 11-15 overall record, 4-10 in the Big Ten. Purdue's offense is led by a pair of seniors in middle blocker Brooke White and outside hitter Lauri Grimes. White, the only Boilermaker to play in every game of every match this season, tops the team in kills with 453, attack percentage at .330 and total blocks with 92. Grimes checks in with 416 kills and a hitting percentage of .230. Purdue is able to run a 6-2 offense with setters Linda Menconi and Taryn Catlin. Though Menconi leads the team in assists on the cumulative season stat sheet, Catlin takes over the lead in Big Ten matches averaging 10.11 assists per game.

Purdue head coach Joey Vrazel is in her second season with Purdue and owns a 19-35 (.352) record. Vrazel is just the second coach in the history of Purdue volleyball.

The Series—Purdue holds a 24-18 lead in the series with Minnesota in one of the more even series battles in the Big Ten. Minnesota has tightened the series dramatically winning seven of the last eight matches, including a four-game victory earlier this season.

The Last Time Against Purdue — Katrien DeDecker smashed 28 kills and surpassed 2,000 kills in her career in leading the Gophers to a 15-6, 6-15, 15-7, 15-13 win over Purdue on Oct. 19 in Minneapolis. Jane Passer contributed one of her best all-

around matches of the season in nailing 11 kills in 21 attempts for a .476 attack percentage, stuffing seven total blocks and collecting 18 digs. Becky Bauer was credited with 48 assists and hit seven kills in 11 attempts without an error for an impressive .636 hitting percentage.

INDIANA —The Hoosiers bring a 9-17 overall and 3-11 Big Ten record into Friday's match against Wisconsin, prior to the Minnesota match on Saturday. Indiana broke a four-match losing streak by defeating Iowa in its last outing behind a 15-kill, .464 attack percentage outing by sophomore outside hitter Jennifer Magelssen. Magelssen is second on the team with 311 kills, while leading in digs with 258. Junior outside hitter Julie Flatley edges Magelssen for the team lead for kills with 316. Melissa Rooney is the Hoosiers' top blocker with 82 on the season, ten of them in her last outing against Iowa.

Indiana head coach Katie Weismiller is in her fourth season with the Hoosiers and sports a 56-65 (.463) record. Weismiller led the Hoosiers to their first NCAA Tournament appearance a year ago, losing in the first round to George Mason.

The Series—Minnesota has doubled-up on Indiana in the series with a 21-10 advantage. The Gophers, winners of a four-game match over the Hoosiers earlier this season, have won eight of the last ten matches.

The Last Time Against Indiana — A crowd of 2,124 fans saw the Gophers hand Indiana a 3-1 setback by modified TV format scores of 12-7, 10-11, 16-10, 17-8 on a match broadcast live on ESPN2, Oct. 18, in Minneapolis. Katrien DeDecker smacked 24 kills to charge the Minnesota offense, which hit .333 as a team in the match. Three other Gophers collected double-figure kill totals as well. Tara Baynes coupled 13 kills on offense with eight blocks on defense. Jane Passer hit 11 kills and Tera Fiamengo landed 10 kills while hitting .556.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT— Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 591-263 and a .692 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — Maurice Batie and Nao Ikeda are in their first seasons at Minnesota and third with Mike Hebert. Both worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

DeDECKER CHASES SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS — Now that senior Katrien DeDecker owns the career kill records in both the Minnesota and Big Ten record books, it's time to switch gears to chase the single-season records. DeDecker's 583 kills this season is second on the Minnesota single-season list trailing only Chris Schaefer's tally of 646 in 1988. DeDecker's 1996 mark is currently eighth-best on the Big Ten list, which is

led by Illinois' Erin Borske's 714 kills a year ago.

ONE OF THE BEST IN NCAA HISTORY — A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, **Katrien DeDecker** is not only aiming at finishing her career as the one of the best players in Minnesota and Big Ten history but in NCAA volleyball history as well. DeDecker's 2,145 career kills ranks 10th on the NCAA's career kill list. George Washington's **Svetlana Vtyurina** is the best all-time with 3,043 kills from 1992-95. DeDecker's next target is **Dylonn Duncan** of Brigham Young (1985-88), who is ranked ninth with 2,188 career kills.

MILLER OUT INDEFINITELY — Senior setter **Michelle Miller** is out of action indefinitely with a lower back injury which athletic trainer **Patty Lacy** termed a lumbar disk herniation. **Susan Shudlick** will backup **Becky Bauer** at the setter position.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota's four-match winning streak was snapped by Michigan, dropping the Gophers' record to 19-8 overall and 10-4 in the Big Ten. A big win over #13 Wisconsin highlighted Minnesota's action last week.

THE WISCONSIN MATCH: Minnesota moved into sole possession of third-place in the Big Ten with a 15-5, 15-12, 15-12 victory over #13 Wisconsin. **Katrien DeDecker** finished with 20 kills to move within nine kills of setting a new Minnesota and Big Ten career-kill record, but it was a balanced Gopher attack which proved to be the difference in the match. **Jane Passer** added 16 kills, hitting .323, and **Sarah Pearman** landed 14 winners and an impressive .423 attack percentage to lead the Gophers to a .309 hitting percentage. Both Passer and Pearman also tallied double-doubles in the match, contributing 13 and 11 digs, respectively. A scrappy Gopher defense collected 63 digs and outblocked the Badgers by an 11-8 margin to force Wisconsin's hitting percentage down to .158.

THE MICHIGAN MATCH: **Katrien DeDecker** became the career kill leader in both Minnesota and Big Ten history, but it was the only high point of the match for the Gophers, who dropped a 15-12, 15-7, 15-10 decision to Michigan in their last outing. DeDecker, who broke the record in the second game off an assist by **Becky Bauer**, led the Gophers with 13 kills but also committed an uncharacteristic 12 errors in the match. A bright spot for Minnesota was the play of **Tara Baynes**, who landed 12 kills and hit for a .556 attack percentage. The Gophers as a team, however, managed just a .143 hitting percentage.

BAUER SETS HER WAY TO THE TOP — **Becky Bauer** isn't letting **Katrien DeDecker** have all the fun. Bauer's season assist total stands at 1,240, the seventh-best season tally in Gopher history. **Sharon Oesterling** set the standard with 1,725 assists in 1989. Bauer owns the second-best mark in school history with 1,641 assists in 1995.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN — **Katrien DeDecker** moved up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. DeDecker's 20 kills against Wisconsin was the 15th time this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has five 30-plus kill matches in her career.

DeDecker has also hit 10 or more kills in an amazing 105 of her 127 career matches.

LEADING THE NATION — **Katrien DeDecker's** 6.18 kills per game led the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. California State Sacramento's **Jill Kaas** was second at 6.02 kills a game.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — **Becky Bauer** was also listed among the national statistics, ranked 10th in assists per game at 13.52. As a team, Minnesota was ranked sixth in kills per game (17.44), eighth in assists per game (15.52) and 14th in hitting percentage (.274).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	8-3
Road matches	6-3
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	10-5
In four-game matches	6-2
In five-game matches	3-1
Record winning the first game	15-1
Record winning first two games	12-0
Record losing first game	4-7
Record losing first two games	1-6
Record vs. ranked opponents	2-5

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 15 vs. Iowa
Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
Blocks Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, Katrien DeDecker vs. Illinois
Attempts — 94, Katrien DeDecker vs. Iowa
Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
Assists — 77, Becky Bauer vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 7, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa
Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
Block Assists — 9, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa

MINNESOTA SLIPS TO SIXTH IN DISTRICT POLL — Minnesota, despite receiving points in the national poll, slipped from #5 to #6 in the District 2 poll released Oct. 28. Ohio State jumped from sixth to third, pushing Wisconsin, Ball State and Minnesota down one spot.

District 2 Poll #3 — Oct. 28

1. Michigan State
2. Penn State
3. Ohio State
4. Wisconsin

- 5. Ball State
- 6. Minnesota
- 7. Miami, Ohio
- 8. Kent State
- 9. Central Michigan
- 10. Ohio

MINNESOTA RECEIVES VOTES IN NATIONAL POLL

— For the third straight week, the Gophers received points in the AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches Poll. Minnesota tallied seven points in last week's poll. If the ranking were carried further than 25th, the Gophers would be ranked 34th in the Nov. 5 poll.

HAWAII LOSES TO STANFORD, FLORIDA TAKES OVER #1 IN AVCA/USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES POLL

Florida moved into the #1 spot in the AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches Poll after Hawaii, the #1 team through nine polls this season, suffered a 3-1 loss to Stanford. With the win, Stanford jumped from #4 to #2. The four Big Ten schools ranked in the top 25 all remained steady with Michigan State as the highest ranked conference school at #5. Penn State is #6, Wisconsin stayed at #13 and Ohio State at #15. Another of Minnesota's earlier opponents continues its national ranking, Washington at #14.

Poll #10 — Nov. 5	Record	Points	LtWk
1. Florida	25-1	1416	2
2. Stanford	19-2	1395	4
3. Hawaii (59)	23-1	1379	1
4. Long Beach State	25-0	1348	3
5. Michigan State	18-4	1228	5
6. Penn State	21-2	1146	6
7. Nebraska	19-3	1104	7
8. Loyola Marymount	20-2	1033	8
9. Texas	16-4	999	9
10. Texas A&M	20-3	942	10
11. Washington State	19-4	909	11
12. USC	15-5	834	12
13. Wisconsin	19-3	767	13
14. Washington	20-4	719	14
15. Ohio State	20-3	669	15
16. UC Santa Barbara	17-7	582	18
17. Pacific	17-5	516	16
18. George Mason	20-2	410	21
19. Louisville	18-3	378	17
20. Kansas State	20-5	307	23
21. Texas Tech	21-4	280	19
22. Oral Roberts	21-2	261	22
23. UCLA	14-9	183	20
24. Maryland	20-4	116	NR
25. Notre Dame	15-8	69	24

UP NEXT — The Gophers close the home portion of their regular-season schedule by hosting Northwestern on Friday, Nov. 22, and Michigan State on Saturday, Nov. 23.

Basketball

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HOSTS EXHIBITION

THURSDAY—The women's basketball squad will host its first exhibition game of the season Thursday, Nov. 14, against Lithuania/Latvia at the Sports Pavilion. Game time is 8 p.m.

GAME TIME CHANGED--The game time for Thursday's game has been changed to 8 p.m. Admission will be \$2 at the door, but all people attending the men's basketball exhibition against the Converse All-Stars will be admitted free.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE SCHEDULE—

Tuesday, Nov. 12	7-9:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Wednesday, Nov. 13	12:30-3 p.m.	Pavilion
Thursday, Nov. 14	GAME at 7 p.m.	
Friday, Nov. 15	OFF	
Saturday, Nov. 16	10-12:30 p.m.	Rec Center
Sunday, Nov. 17	10-12:30 p.m.	Pavilion
Monday, Nov. 18	12:30-3 p.m.	Pavilion

Players and coaches are available for interviews Monday-Friday after practice. Please contact Lisa Nelson in the Sports Information Office at (612) 624-9396 to set up an interview. The doors of the Pavilion are locked after 5 p.m. and on weekends, so special arrangements need to be made through Lisa Nelson.

THE ALUM GAME--Minnesota will host the annual Alum game Sunday, Nov. 17, at the Sports Pavilion. Game time is 2 p.m. Come see many former Gopher greats take the court.

THE ROSTER--Minnesota added a player to its roster, raising the number to nine total players. **MARGARET BLOM (MILWAUKEE, WI)** has walked on the squad. Blom is a 6-1 post player. The rest of the active roster:

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Ht.	Hometown/High School
23	Kiauna Burns	G	Fr.	5-7	Litchfield, MN/Litchfield
24	Margaret Blom	C	Fr.	6-1	Milwaukee, WI
15	Jaime Ellis	G	Jr.	5-9	Lake Oswego, OR/Lake Oswego
12	Mindy Hansen	G	So.	5-9	Chaska, MN/Chaska
32	Lynda Hass	F	So.	6-0	St. Francis, MN/St. Francis
53	Angie Iverson	F	Jr.	6-0	Owatonna, MN/Owatonna
45	Sarah Klun	F	So.	6-0	Madison, WI/LaFollette
21	Sonja Robinson	F	So.	5-10	Scottsdale, AZ/Chaparral
35	Andrea Seago	C	Fr.	6-3	Cherry Valley, IL/Rockford Guilford

Head Coach: Linda Hill-MacDonald (West Chester State, 1970)
Assistant Coaches: Tréka McMillan (South Carolina, 1992), Crystal Flint (Minnesota, 1995), Cara Pearson (Minnesota, 1995)

MINNESOTA PICKED TO FINISH 11TH--Minnesota was picked to finish 11th by the coaches in the Big Ten Preseason poll. Iowa was picked to finish first followed by Wisconsin, Penn State, Michigan State, Northwestern, Illinois, Ohio State, Purdue, Indiana, Michigan and Minnesota.

UP NEXT--Minnesota opens the season Friday, Nov. 22, at Western Illinois. Game time is 7 p.m.

Cross Country

UP NEXT — The Gophers travel to Champaign, Ill., for the Region IV Championships. Minnesota will send its top nine runners to the regional meet Saturday, Nov. 16. The top two teams automatically advance to the NCAA Championships in Tucson, Ariz., on Monday, Nov. 25.

THOMPSON NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-BIG TEN--KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON) was named second-team all-Big Ten after the Big Ten Championships. It was the first time that Thompson, who placed 14th, was given the award.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota finished fifth with 134 points at the Big Ten Championships in Bloomington, Ind., on November 2. The Gophers were led by junior Kari Thompson, who finished 14th in a time of 18:29. Newcomer **MINNA HARONOJA (ILLA, FINLAND/VAMMALA)** was 21st in a time of 18:39. Sophomore **ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)**, who was suffering from bronchitis, finished 28th in 18:53. Wisconsin, with six runners among the top 10 finishers, tallied 28 points to finish first for the second consecutive year. Penn State's Kim McGreevy was the individual winner in a time of 17:45.

Minnesota finishers

14. Kari Thompson, 18:29.3 21. Minna Haronoja, 18:39.1 28. Anna Gullingsrud, 18:53.6 35. Andrea Lentz, 19:03.6 41. Amy Hoel, 19:13.7 48. Bridget Neutgens, 19:19.9 52. Janet Howe, 19:26.3 54. Karen Kleindl, 19:27.7 79. Keri Zweig, 20:20.7.

Team finish

1. Wisconsin, 28. 2. Penn State, 56. 3. Michigan, 74. 4. Michigan State, 108. 5. Minnesota, 134. 6. Illinois, 186. 7. Indiana, 208. 8. Purdue, 218. 9. Iowa, 223. 10. Ohio State, 288.

UP NEXT--Minnesota will see if it qualifies for the NCAA Championships. The top two teams from the district meet and possibly a third at-large bid will go in the team competition. Minnesota also could send individual participants to the NCAA meet and they are selected at-large.

Swimming and Diving

GOPHERS TO HOST #12 CORNHUSKERS AT UNIVERSITY AQUATIC CENTER--The 12th-ranked University of Nebraska women's swimming and diving team travels to Minnesota for a coed dual meet on Sat., Nov. 16 at 6 p.m. The 12th-ranked Gophers are 3-0 overall this year and 1-0 in the Big Ten Conference, while the Cornhuskers are 1-0 after defeating non-conference opponent Colorado State 175-125 on Nov. 3. Minnesota has an 8-5 lead in the series record with Nebraska, defeating them last year, 151-169, at Nebraska.

MINNESOTA DEFEATS PENN STATE IN BIG TEN CONFERENCE OPENER — In the Big Ten Conference opener for both teams, and Penn State's season opener, Minnesota defeated the 23rd-ranked Nittany Lions (0-1, 0-1), 177-118, at the University Aquatic Center on Nov. 9. The Gophers won 12 of the 16 events, stretching their series record with Penn State to 2-1-1, after tying them last year in Happy Valley 150-150.

MINNESOTA EVENT WINNERS — The 11 Gopher medalists against Penn State were:

GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)

200-yard medley relay 1:44.89 (meet record)
100-yard breaststroke 1:02.65 (meet record)
200-yard breaststroke 2:18.66 (meet record)

TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)

200-yard medley relay 1:44.89 (meet record)
100-yard butterfly 55.49

SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN/MISSION VIEJO)

200-yard medley relay 1:44.89 (meet record)
100-yard backstroke 58.41

OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)

1,000-yard freestyle 9:55.37 (meet record)

TERRI JASHINSKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)

200-yard medley relay 1:44.89 (meet record)

JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)

200-yard freestyle 1:50.86 (meet record)

JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT)

200-yard butterfly 2:03.08 (meet record)

AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY)

50-yard freestyle 24.36

DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)

100-yard freestyle 53.05

KIMBERLY WILSON (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)

500-yard freestyle 4:57.12

CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)

3-meter diving 285.37

MINNESOTA WINS 12TH STRAIGHT OVER IOWA STATE — The Gophers defeated Iowa State 152-145 in a dual meet on Friday, Nov. 8, in Ames, Iowa. It was Minnesota's 12th consecutive win over the Cyclones. Gopher event winners were:

BETH SHIMANSKI (HUTCHINSON, MN)

200-yard medley relay 1:52.29
200-yard backstroke 2:11.25

KATIE OLSON (EDEN PRAIRIE, MN)

200-yard medley relay 1:52.29
100-yard breaststroke 1:08.39

JAMIE HOLDEN (ROCHESTER, MN/JOHN MARSHALL)

200-yard medley relay 1:52.29

HEATHER MILLER (WILLMAR, MN)		
200-yard medley relay		1:52.29
50-yard freestyle		24.53
ELIZABETH WELD (EAU CLAIRE, W/MEMORIAL)		
1,000-yard freestyle		10:56.68
500-yard freestyle		5:20.66
AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY)		
100-yard backstroke		1:01.63
JESSICA SMITH (PORTLAND, OR/REYNOLDS)		
200-yard breaststroke		2:30.12
JENNY COOK (ANOKA, MN)		
1-meter diving		253.725
3-meter diving		272.625

S&D ATHLETES OF THE MEET— Three swimmers and a diver were named swimming and diving's Athletes of the Meet by the coaching staff after their performances against Iowa State and Penn State. For their pair of individual victories at the Iowa State meet, mid- and distance freestyle specialist Elizabeth Weld and diver Jenny Cook were named Athletes of the Meet. Weld was first in the 500- and 1,000-yard freestyle events, while Cook won the 1- and 3-meter springboard diving events. After the Penn State meet, Gretchen Hegener and Devon Coellner were named Athletes of the Meet. Hegener won the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events and was on the winning 200-yard medley relay team. Coellner had a personal season's best time with her victory in the 100-yard freestyle and a team season's best time in the 200-yard individual medley. Coellner swam the 200-yard IM against Penn State as an exhibition competitor, but her time would have won the event.

Tennis

TENNIS DONE FOR FALL--Minnesota is done for the fall season and will not take the court again until January when it hosts Vanderbilt Friday, Jan. 17, at the 98th Street Racquet Club. Match time is 6:30 p.m.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 37th in the preseason Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41, after getting as high as #30 in the spring. Minnesota has no individual players ranked in singles nor doubles in the preseason poll. The next rankings come out the first week of December.

GOPHER REWIND—Minnesota's **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** won the doubles draw and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** made it to the semifinals at the Indiana Regional Invitational in Bloomington, Ind. Hrdinova, who did not have a partner from Minnesota, teamed with Christy Delgado of Iowa and won the championship. Hrdinova and Delgado defeated the team of Kohtari/Scharfield, the number four seed, 8-4. Delgado and Hrdinova also beat the number one seed of Scaringe/Sweet of Notre Dame, 8-6, in the first round.

Wang advanced to the semifinals before falling to Karen Kohtari of Northwestern, 6-4, 6-3. Wang had won three matches before losing to Kohtari.

In Madison, Wis., **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROZSMARTY)** and **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** advanced to the third round before losing. Sauska, who was undefeated in her college career at 10-0, lost to Ana Fernandez of Marquette, 4-6, 6-2, 7-6. Ransithienchai lost to Jean Kansuthi of Eastern Michigan, 6-3, 7-5.

SAUSKA IS HOT--Nora Sauska finished the fall with a 10-1 record winning three titles. Sauska was only three wins away from tying the Minnesota record for consecutive wins at 13 set by Lisa Martin set in 1983-84.

TWO OTHERS HAVE SEVEN WINS--Alice Rangsithienchai and Helen Wang are second, behind Sauska, with seven wins apiece.

EVERYONE PLAYING WELL--As a team, Minnesota has a 51-32 (.614) singles record and a 13-13 (.500) doubles record thus far in 1996.

MINNESOTA WINS FOUR TITLES IN FALL--Nora Sauska and Jana Hrdinova combined to win Minnesota's four titles this fall. Sauska was the singles champion in Flight B at the Notre Dame Invitational and the A winner at the Wolfpack Invite, while Sauska teamed with Hrdinova to win the B doubles crown at Notre Dame. Hrdinova won her second doubles title over the weekend teaming with Christy Delgado of Iowa at the Indiana Regional Invitational.

Soccer

MINNESOTA AWAITS WORD ON NCAA TOURNAMENT-- #18 Minnesota, 13-6 overall, awaits word if it will receive a bid to the NCAA Tournament Monday at 5 p.m. Minnesota's chances are slim at best after losing to Evansville to close the regular season and then falling to Northwestern in the first round of the Big Ten Conference Tournament.

THE BIG TEN CONFERENCE STANDINGS--Indiana won the Big Ten Conference Tournament and the automatic bid to the NCAA Championships after defeating Wisconsin in the championship game 1-0. Minnesota finished the regular season in third place in the conference standings. Wisconsin was first followed by Penn State and the Gophers. That would mean that four Big Ten teams would need to be invited to the NCAA Tournament for Minnesota to go, something that has never happened before. Last season, three Big Ten teams were invited (Minnesota, Wisconsin and Penn State).

The final Big Ten Standings:

1. Wisconsin	7-1-2	14-4-4
2. Penn State	5-2-1	14-4-2
3. Minnesota	5-3-0	13-6-0
4. Michigan	4-4-1	10-7-3
5. Ohio State	3-5-0	14-7-0
Northwestern	4-5-0	13-7-1
7. Indiana	5-5-0	11-10-0
8. Michigan State	0-8-0	3-17-0

MCELMURY NAMED BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE YEAR--Junior **JENNIFER MCELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE)** was named 1996 Big Ten Player of the Year at the annual awards banquet. **McElmury** was also named first-team all-Big Ten, along with senior **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)**. **VANESSA TOUSET (WOODBIDGE, VA/GAR-FIELD)** was named to the second team. **McElmury** is second in the Big Ten in scoring at 33 points, while **Hussey** ranks fifth at 30 points. **Touset** is the anchor of the Minnesota's defense which allowed only 22 goals in 19 games this season.

GOPHER REWIND — AGAINST NORTHWESTERN--#18 Minnesota lost to Northwestern, 2-1, in the first round of the Big Ten Conference Tournament in Columbus, Ohio. Both teams battled back and forth in the first half and were unable to score. It was not until the 51st minute that Minnesota got on the board first as junior **Jennifer McElmury** scored her 13th goal of the season off a header. **McElmury** took a corner kick from **Erin Hussey** and headed the ball past Cats goalie **Wendy Scholz**.

Northwestern responded nine minutes later when **Catherine Cook** scored on a controversial goal. **Cook** took a corner kick from **Erica Westrich** and put it past keeper **Dana Larson**. Minnesota defender **Allison Johnson** looked to head the ball out of the net, but the referees said that **Johnson** was over the goal line and allowed the **Wildcats'** goal.

NU got the game-winner at 64:22 when **Stephanie Erickson** scored on a scramble in front of the net. **Erickson** beat a Minnesota defender and **Larson** twenty feet in front of the net

and bounced the open shot into the goal.

Minnesota had a chance to tie the game with 9:20 left as **Hussey** had a breakaway. But **Hussey**, who had beat both of her defenders and had the goalie down, just missed an open net wide to the right.

THE POLLS — Minnesota currently ranks #18 in the latest NSCAA Soccer Poll after ranking 14th last week. Minnesota was ranked as high as 10th earlier this season.

1 Notre Dame(14)	18-1-0
2 N. Carolina (1)	17-1-0
3 Portland	14-0-2
4 Connecticut	19-1-0
5 Nebraska	19-0-0
6 Santa Clara	13-3-1
7 Texas A&M	18-2-0
8 Florida	17-2-0
9 Maryland	17-3-2
10 Wisconsin	12-3-4
11 Harvard	14-1-0
12 Penn State	14-3-2
13 Clemson	13-5-1
14 Virginia	11-5-2
15 Kentucky	13-4-2
16 UNCG	15-5-0
17 J. Madison	13-4-2
18 Minnesota	13-5-0
19 Dartmouth	11-3-0
20 BYU	19-1-0
21 Duke	9-8-3
22 G. Mason	12-5-1
23 Vanderbilt	11-8-0
24 Massachusetts	14-3-1
25 California	12-3-1

MINNESOTA THIRD IN THE REGION--The Gophers are currently ranked sixth in the region after falling three places from the last poll. The Regional rankings as of November 11.

1. Notre Dame
2. Wisconsin
3. Evansville
Kentucky
5. Northwestern
6. Minnesota
7. Indiana
8. Michigan
9. Ohio State
10. Butler

As of: November 8, 1996
 Michigan
 27 Matches played
 19 Wins, 8 Losses

SID Report - Volleyball
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Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	27	70	0	1	2	-.500	2	0	0	7	0	0	79
2	Fiamengo, T.	27	93	201	70	456	.287	53	0	0	17	3	49	150
3	Miller, M.	21	41	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	5	0	3	22
4	McDonell, J.	27	58	55	33	139	.158	2	0	0	9	2	14	79
6	Hebert, H.	25	42	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	4	0	0	23
7	Baynes, T.	23	80	158	65	370	.251	16	0	0	24	16	93	104
8	DeDecker, K.	27	95	583	167	1356	.307	28	0	0	32	19	66	257
9	Passer, J.	27	95	291	91	635	.315	21	0	0	24	14	104	265
10	Pearman, S.	27	94	266	129	697	.197	36	0	0	15	5	36	353
13	Bauer, B.	26	91	101	38	255	.247	1240	0	0	29	6	74	169
14	Shudlick, S.	23	57	0	2	6	-.333	16	0	0	10	0	0	46
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		27	95	1665	598	3937	.271	1482	0	0	176	65	439	1547
TEAM BLOCKS:		284												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	70	0	2	0	16	0.00	0.03	0.10	1.13	0.00	0.26
2	Fiamengo, T.	93	1	1	8	30	2.16	0.57	0.18	1.61	0.56	0.42
3	Miller, M.	41	0	0	1	9	0.24	1.63	0.12	0.54	0.07	0.24
4	McDonell, J.	58	0	9	2	17	0.95	0.03	0.16	1.36	0.28	0.48
6	Hebert, H.	42	0	4	0	4	0.00	0.02	0.10	0.55	0.00	0.19
7	Baynes, T.	80	5	4	8	41	1.97	0.20	0.30	1.30	1.36	0.66
8	DeDecker, K.	95	2	36	4	73	6.14	0.29	0.34	2.71	0.89	1.19
9	Passer, J.	95	1	8	5	29	3.06	0.22	0.25	2.79	1.24	0.44
10	Pearman, S.	94	2	38	3	59	2.83	0.38	0.16	3.76	0.44	1.06
13	Bauer, B.	91	26	0	12	38	1.11	13.63	0.32	1.86	0.88	0.55
14	Shudlick, S.	57	0	1	0	14	0.00	0.28	0.18	0.81	0.00	0.26
0		0	0	2	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		95	37	105	43	330	17.53	15.60	1.85	16.28	2.99	5.03

University of Minnesota
1996 Volleyball Season Results

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Game scores</u>	<u>Location</u>
#10 San Diego State	8/30/96	L 1-3	6-15, 12-15, 15-8, 14-16	San Diego, CA
San Diego	8/31/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 9-15	San Diego, CA
Cal St.-Northridge	8/31/96	W 3-0	15-8, 15-4, 15-13	San Diego, CA
Montana State	9/6/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-13, 15-13	Bozeman, MT
Washington	9/7/96	L 1-3	16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15	Bozeman, MT
Kent State	9/7/96	W 3-1	7-15, 15-6, 15-7, 15-2	Bozeman, MT
#19 Georgia Tech	9/13/96	L 2-3	14-16, 15-9, 15-8, 7-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
Marshall	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-3, 15-12, 15-8	Minneapolis, MN
Arkansas	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-7, 16-14, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Providence	9/20/96	W 3-1	15-7, 14-16, 15-1, 15-4	Chestnut Hill, MS
Dartmouth	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-10, 15-5, 15-5	Chestnut Hill, MS
Bucknell	9/21/96	W 3-0	15-11, 15-4, 15-7	Chestnut Hill, MS
Boston College	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-13, 15-0, 15-2	Chestnut Hill, MS
#2 Penn State *	9/27/96	L 0-3	11-15, 3-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
#8 Ohio State *	9/28/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-13, 15-11	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	10/4/96	W 3-2	14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13	Iowa City, IA
Illinois *	10/5/96	W 3-1	15-8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13	Champaign, IL
#9 Wisconsin *	10/9/96	L 0-3	9-20, 10-19, 10-16	Madison, WI
Michigan *	10/12/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-6, 15-11	Ann Arbor, MI
Indiana *	10/18/96	W 3-1	12-7, 10-11, 16-10, 17-8	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	10/19/96	W 3-1	15-6, 6-15, 15-7, 15-13	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan State *	10/25/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 7-15	East Lansing, MI
Northwestern *	10/26/96	W 3-1	15-7, 15-11, 16-18, 15-6	Evanston, IL
Illinois *	11/1/96	W 3-2	13-15, 15-8, 15-4, 17-19, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	11/2/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-9, 15-4	Minneapolis, MN
#13 Wisconsin *	11/6/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-12, 15-12	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan	11/8/96	L 0-3	12-15, 7-15, 10-15	Minneapolis, MN

* denotes Big Ten match

Record:	Overall	19-8
	Big Ten	10-4

1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/7	Intrasquad/Alumni (St. Paul, MN)	Gold 27, Maroon 28		10/19	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	2nd (43 points)
9/14	Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd (36 points)		10/26	Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)	No team scores
9/21	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	1-2nd (81 points)		11/2	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)	5th (134 points)
9/28	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)	10th (272 points)		11/16	at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)	
10/12	at Auburn Invitational (Auburn, AL)	8th (220 points)		11/25	at NCAA Championships (Tucson, AZ)	

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (5,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)	20:31 (M171/4th)	DNC	DNC	22:50 (12th)	DNC	
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)	20:35 (M177/5th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)	19:46 (M95/1st)	DNC	DNC	20:33 (8th)	DNC	
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st /1st)	DNC	16:50 (5th/1st)	DNC	17:58 (3rd/1st)	DNC	18:53.6 (28th/3rd)	
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)	19:03 (141st/12th)	18:58.7 (113th/8th)	19:51 (51st/11th)	19:54 (6th)	DNC	
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC	18:37 (99th/5th)	18:41 (77th/4th)	19:52 (49th/10th)	DNC	DNC	
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)	18:51 (125th/10th)	19:25.0 (146th/10th)	DNC	18:58 (1st)	DNC	
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC	18:12 (60th/3rd)	18:11.0 (35th/1st)	18:51 (12th/2nd)	DNC	18:39.1 (21st/2nd)	
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNC	20:39 (9th)	DNC	
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC	18:39 (102nd/6th)	18:48.6 (92nd/6th)	19:21 (31st/8th)	DNC	19:13.7 (41st/5th)	
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)	18:43 (109th/8th)	18:52.7 (110th/7th)	19:18 (29th/7th)	DNC	19:26.3 (52nd/7th)	
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC	18:47 (115th/9th)	DNC	DNC	19:13 (2nd)	DNC	
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)	20:19 (M145/2nd)	DNC	DNC	20:19 (7th)	DNC	
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)	19:51 (177th/16th)	DNC	DNC	19:49 (4th)	DNC	
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC	18:20 (74th/4th)	18:23.3 (55th/3rd)	19:02 (16th/4th)	DNC	19:27.7 (54th/8th)	
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC	18:58 (135th/11th)	18:59.9 (116th/9th)	19:07 (22nd/5th)	DNC	19:03.6 (35th/4th)	
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)	20:48 (M201/6th)	DNC	DNC	21:47 (11th)	DNC	
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	19:50	DNC	
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)	21:44 (105th/9th)	20:22 (M153/3rd)	DNC	DNC	21:31 (10th)	DNC	
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC	18:42 (107th/7th)	18:46.5 (89th/5th)	19:39 (44th/9th)	DNC	19:19.9 (48th/6th)	
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)	19:42 (173rd/15th)	DNC	DNC	19:51 (5th)	DNC	
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)	19:23 (155th/14th)	DNC	DNC	19:39 (3rd)	DNC	
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC	17:57 (40th/2nd)	18:12.0 (36th/2nd)	18:55 (13th/3rd)	DNC	18:29.3 (14th/1st)	
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC	19:05 (144th/13th)	21:03.0 (256th/11th)	19:15 (25th/6th)	DNC	20:20.7 (79th/9th)	

University of Minnesota
1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 3-0 Big Ten: 1-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		No team scoring	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame		
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State		
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#19 Wisconsin		
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue		
11/16/96	#12 Nebraska			1/31-2/1/97	Illinois		
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invitational			2/8/97	Iowa		
12/20/96	@ Hawaii			2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge		
1/10/97	#22 Kansas			2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships		
1/11/97	Gold Country Invitational			3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational		
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern			3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships		

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

<p>50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)</p> <p>Jenny Hennen 23.96 Amy Cottrill 24.31 Heather Miller 24.53 Terri Jashinsky 24.56 Gretchen Hegener 24.72</p>	<p>200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)</p> <p>Marta Knowles 2:05.11 Beth Shimanski 2:09.21 Kimberly Wilson 2:11.81 Amy Cottrill 2:14.76 Kathleen Preston 2:21.66</p>	<p>200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)</p> <p>1:36.75 – Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Suzie Helvig, Jenny Hennen</p> <p>400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)</p> <p>3:29.35 – Terri Jashinsky, Olga Splichalova, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen</p>
<p>100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)</p> <p>Jenny Hennen 51.72 Terri Jashinsky 52.49 Amy Cottrill 52.65 \$ Devon Coellner 53.05 Olga Splichalova 53.11</p>	<p>100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)</p> <p>Gretchen Hegener 1:02.32 # Devon Coellner 1:05.66 Kate McMillan 1:06.01 Katie Olson 1:08.39 Michelle Fischer 1:09.15</p>	<p>800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)</p> <p>200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)</p> <p>1:44.39* – Shona Baillie, Tanya Schuh, Gretchen Hegener, Amy Cottrill</p>
<p>200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)</p> <p>Jenny Hennen 1:50.47 • Olga Splichalova 1:52.30 Alicia Hicken 1:53.79 Krissy Berglund 1:57.54 Amy Cottrill 1:57.77</p>	<p>200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:16.10)</p> <p>Gretchen Hegener 2:16.69 • Kate McMillan 2:24.57 Jessica Grass 2:25.94 Olga Splichalova 2:27.18 Jessica Smith 2:27.51</p>	<p>400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)</p> <p>1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)</p> <p>Andrea Berg 268.900 % Carrie Hansen 267.100 % Jenny Cook 253.725 % Shelby Evadine Miller 230.620 Andrea Wheeler 173.950</p>
<p>500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)</p> <p>Olga Splichalova 4:52.31 • Kimberly Wilson 4:57.12 Jenny Hennen 4:58.75 Alicia Hicken 5:02.14 Jessica Grass 5:06.98</p>	<p>100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)</p> <p>Tanya Schuh 55.49 • Terry Jashinsky 56.31 • Carrie Raeth 58.58 Jenny Hennen 59.30 Krissy Berglund 1:00.04</p>	<p>1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)</p> <p>3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)</p> <p>Carrie Hansen 291.400 % Andrea Berg 274.650 % Jenny Cook 272.625 % Shelby Evadine Miller 228.825 Andrea Wheeler 183.150</p>
<p>1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68S)</p> <p>Olga Splichalova 9:50.10 Kimberly Wilson 10:11.20 Jessica Grass 10:19.90 Jennifer Bloomer 10:48.96</p>	<p>200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)</p> <p>Jessica Grass 2:03.08 Terri Jashinsky 2:03.70 Tanya Schuh 2:05.33 Marta Knowles 2:17.45</p>	<p>3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)</p> <p>Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)</p> <p>Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)</p>
<p>1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)</p> <p>Kimberly Wilson 17:04.34</p>	<p>200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)</p> <p>Devon Coellner 2:08.44 Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72 Marta Knowles 2:13.52 Michelle Fischer 2:16.10 Nicole Fiest 2:16.95</p>	
<p>100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)</p> <p>Beth Shimanski 58.38 Shona Baillie 58.41 Amy Cottrill 1:01.63 Carrie Raeth 1:02.04 Alicia Hicken 1:04.74</p>	<p>400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)</p> <p>Jessica Grass 4:22.52 Marta Knowles 4:30.41 Kimberly Wilson 4:41.89</p>	

\$Lead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time
 •NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins							6-4		6-4	.600
Jennifer Hayes							0-6		0-6	.000
Jana Hrdinova							6-4		6-4	.600
Alice Rangsitienchai							7-3		7-3	.700
Nora Sauska							10-1		10-1	1.000
Kim Simonsen							6-4		6-4	.600
Jenni Svehla							5-6		5-6	.500
Helen Wang							7-4		7-4	.750
Totals							51-32		51-32	.614

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-3		4-3	.667
Hayes/Rangsitienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
				13-13		13-13	.500

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	at Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		NA
Sept. 2	at Butler	W	3-1	2-0		NA
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	at #4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	vs. #14 Washington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*at Penn State	L	3-2 (OT)	6-2	0-1	NA
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W	1-0	7-2	1-1	442
Sept. 28	*#16 Wisconsin	L	3-1	7-3	1-2	1,427
Oct. 6	Minnesota-Duluth	W	5-0	8-3		587
Oct. 11	* at Michigan State	W	2-1	9-3	2-2	88
Oct. 13	* at Michigan	W	4-2	10-3	3-2	347
Oct. 18	* Indiana	W	2-1	11-3	4-2	361
Oct. 20	* Ohio State	W	1-0	12-3	5-2	426
Oct. 25	vs. #2 North Carolina	L	2-0	12-4		N/A
Oct. 27	vs. Northern Illinois	W	3-1	13-4		N/A
Nov. 3	Evansville	L	2-1	13-5		520
Nov. 9	! vs. Northwestern	L	2-1	13-6		N/A

*Big Ten Conference match
! Big Ten Conference Tournament

Overall Record: 13-6
Home Record: 7-2
Away Record: 4-2
Neutral Record: 2-2
Overtime Record: 0-1

Big Ten Record: 5-2
Home Record: 3-1
Away Record: 2-1

Goals for: 44

Goals Against: 22

Goals for, first half: 16
Goals for, second half: 28
Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 10
Goals against, second half: 11
Goals against, overtime: 1

Home Attendance: 5074/564 per match

1996 Overall Statistics

<u>Players</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Shots</u>	<u>Assists</u>	<u>Points</u>
Erika Berghauer	2	0	0	1	0	0
Corinne Bolder	19	18	4	31	3	11
Sarah Conners	15	0	1	11	1	3
Michealene Denney	19	19	1	4	0	2
Rose Grimm	2	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	19	19	10	35	10	30
Allison Johnson	19	18	0	11	1	1
Megan Johnson	19	19	1	14	10	12
Amy Koehler	16	0	1	4	0	2
Erika Kruse	14	0	1	3	0	2
Nicole Lee	19	15	8	35	4	20
Jennifer McElmury	19	19	13	81	7	33
Dorsey Nelson	9	0	0	0	0	0
Jaime O'Gara	3	0	0	1	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	16	1	0	8	0	0
Kelly Shea	19	19	1	10	1	3
Colleen Tierney	8	0	0	5	0	0
Vanessa Touset	19	19	0	8	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	7	1	7
Jamie Wyffels	19	19	0	2	0	0
Totals	19	19	44	272	38	126

Keepers

	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	Shared	W/L
Dana Larson	12	9	860	10	47	1.04	5	2	7-3
Teresa O'Hearn	12	10	875	12	38	1.23	3	1	6-3

Corner Kicks: 79

Fouls: 163

Penalty Kicks: 2/1

Scoring by Periods:

Minnesota	16	28	0-0	44
Opponents	10	11	1-0	22



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, November 22
 VB hosts Northwestern 7 p.m.
 SW hosts Minnesota Invite 11 a.m./6 p.m.
 BB at Western Illinois 7:30 p.m.
 (Macomb, Ill.)

Saturday, November 23
 VB hosts Michigan State 7 p.m.
 SW hosts Minnesota Invitational 11 a.m./6 p.m.

Sunday, November 24
 BB hosts Iowa State * 2 p.m.
 SW hosts Minnesota Invitational 10 a.m./3 p.m.

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Volleyball

SPIKERS CLOSE HOME SCHEDULE AGAINST NORTHWESTERN AND MICHIGAN STATE — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 21-8 overall and 12-4 in the Big Ten, will face the first-place and last-place teams in the conference this weekend as the Gophers close out their regular-season home schedule. The Gophers host Northwestern, currently last in the Big Ten standings, on Friday, Nov. 22, then battle co-Big Ten leader Michigan State on Saturday, Nov. 23.

THE STRETCH RUN, FIVE TEAMS REMAIN IN CONTENTION FOR BIG TEN TITLE — The race for the Big Ten crown is in its stretch run with two weeks of play remaining and five teams, including Minnesota, still in contention for the title. Penn State and Michigan State own identical 14-2 records and share the top spot. Minnesota, Wisconsin and Ohio State are deadlocked for third with 12-4 records. The Gophers are easily the surprise team in the Big Ten this season. Minnesota was picked to finish eighth in the pre-season coaches poll.

THREE SENIORS HONORED SATURDAY NIGHT — Three Gopher seniors will be honored prior to Saturday night's match against Michigan State. Four-year letterwinners **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATH-ENEUM)** and **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)**, and two-year letterwinner **MICHELLE MILLER (WORTH, IL/WORTH)** make up the senior class of the 1996 Minnesota volleyball team.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— The maroon and gold is led by senior **Katrien DeDecker**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MINN./BELLE PLAINE)** and outside hitters senior **Tera Fiamengo** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Athenuem
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Skudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

BIG TEN STANDINGS

(as of Nov. 18)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State	14	2	.875	25	2	.926
Michigan State	14	2	.875	20	6	.769
Ohio State	12	4	.750	23	4	.852
Wisconsin	12	4	.750	22	4	.846
MINNESOTA	12	4	.750	21	8	.724
Illinois	7	9	.438	12	12	.500
Michigan	5	11	.313	10	17	.370
Iowa	5	11	.313	10	17	.370
Purdue	4	12	.250	11	17	.393
Indiana	3	13	.188	9	19	.321
Northwestern	0	16	.000	9	20	.310

This Week in the Big Ten —

- Wed., Nov. 20 Indiana at Purdue
- Fri., Nov. 22 Northwestern at Minnesota
Penn State at Illinois
Michigan State at Wisconsin
Ohio State at Iowa
Michigan at Purdue
- Sat., Nov. 23 Michigan State at Minnesota
Penn State at Iowa
Ohio State at Illinois
Northwestern at Wisconsin
Michigan at Indiana

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

NORTHWESTERN --The Wildcats are 9-20 overall and remain winless in Big Ten play with a 0-16 mark. Dating back to the middle of last season, the Wildcats have lost 26 straight Big Ten matches. Northwestern has struggled on offense and owns a .167 attack percentage. Sophomore outside hitter **Jessica Holloway** leads the team with 283 kills, but is hitting for just a .145 attack percentage. **Holloway** is a leader on defense as well, where her 3.78 digs per game ranks second in the Big Ten. Setter **Liz Renius** is one of the better servers in the conference, ranking third with 40 service aces and a 0.42 ace per game average.

Wildcat head coach **Margie Fitzpatrick** is in her third season with Northwestern and owns a 26-65 (.286) record. **Fitzpatrick**, a former player and coach at Wisconsin, is just the third coach in the history of Northwestern volleyball.

The Series—Minnesota owns a 21-13 lead in the series with Northwestern. A 3-1 Minnesota victory earlier this season extended the Gophers' winning streak over the Wildcats to six matches.

The Last Time Against Northwestern — Minnesota rebounded from a loss at Michigan State with a 15-7, 15-11, 16-18, 15-6 victory over Northwestern at Evanston on Oct. 26. **Becky Bauer** sparked the Gophers to the win in game one by serving nine straight points to turn a 7-6 deficit into a 14-6 lead. Two solo blocks by **Katrien DeDecker** late in the game helped

the Gophers claim game two. **Sarah Pearman** contributed six of her nine kills in the fourth game to lead the Gophers to a 15-6 win in the deciding game. **DeDecker** led all hitters with 28 kills, while **Jane Passer** added 12 kills and 22 digs.

MICHIGAN STATE—Michigan State is 20-6 overall and shares the Big Ten lead with Penn State at 14-2. The Spartans, ranked #9 in last week's AVCA poll, play at Wisconsin on Friday night, prior to the Minnesota match on Saturday. Each of MSU's six losses has come at the hands of highly-ranked teams, including two losses to defending national champion Nebraska. Ohio State, currently ranked #11, is the lowest ranked team to have defeated the Spartans. A very talented Michigan State squad is led by a pair of AVCA first team all-Americans. **Val Sterk** and **Dana Cooke**. **Sterk** leads the nation with an impressive .451 attack percentage. She has 397 kills and a team-high 117 total blocks to her credit this season. **Cooke** owns a team-high 278 digs on the season, along with 244 kills and 104 total blocks. Sophomore outside hitter **Jenna Wrobel**, this week's Big Ten Player of the Week and an AVCA National Player of the Week recipient earlier this season, leads the team in kills with 438, but is hitting just .238. **Julie Pavlus** feeds all this Spartan firepower from her setter position where she has collected 1,244 assists on the season.

Michigan State head coach **Chuck Erbe** is in his fourth season with the Spartans and sports a 80-46 (.635) record. **Erbe** led the Spartans to an impressive 34-3 mark in 1995, a season which was concluded with MSU's first Big Ten championship and a trip to the national semi-finals. The Spartans season was ended by a loss to eventual national champion Nebraska.

The Series—Minnesota owns a 23-9 lead in the series with Michigan State. The Spartans, however, own wins in the last four matches of the series, including a 3-0 victory earlier this season.

The Last Time Against Michigan State — The #6 Spartans remained undefeated in Big Ten action with a 15-9, 15-13, 15-7 victory over Minnesota in East Lansing on Oct. 25. Michigan State broke a 7-7 tie with seven straight points on its way to winning game one. The Gophers battled back in game two and received ten kills from **Katrien DeDecker**, but it wasn't enough to overcome eight Minnesota service errors. Game three went Michigan State's way as the Gophers hit a negative .192 attack percentage as a team. **DeDecker** was the only Gopher to finish in double digit kills with 17.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT— Head coach **Dr. Mike Hebert** has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, **Hebert** led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Midwest Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 593-263 and a .693 winning percentage. While at Illinois, **Hebert** had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — Maurice Batie and Nao Ikeda are in their first seasons at Minnesota and third with Mike Hebert. Both worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

THE RECORD SETTER — Each time senior outside hitter Katrien DeDecker lands a kill, she betters her Minnesota and Big Ten career kill records. DeDecker, who became the career kill leader on Nov. 8 in a match against Michigan, now has 2,191 career kills in her career.

DeDECKER CHASES SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS — Now that senior Katrien DeDecker owns the career kill records in both the Minnesota and Big Ten record books, it's time to switch gears to chase the single season records. DeDecker's 629 kills this season is second on the Minnesota single-season list trailing only Chris Schaefer's tally of 646 in 1988. DeDecker's 1996 mark is currently fourth-best on the Big Ten list, which is led by Illinois' Erin Borske's 714 kills a year ago.

ONE OF THE BEST IN NCAA HISTORY — A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, Katrien DeDecker is not only aiming at finishing her career as the one of the best players in Minnesota and Big Ten history but in NCAA volleyball history as well. DeDecker's 2,191 career kills ranks ninth on the NCAA's career kill list. George Washington's Svetlana Vtyurina is the best all-time with 3,043 kills from 1992-95. DeDecker's next target is Becky Howlett of Cal. State Fullerton/Washington State (1990-91 / 1992-93), who is ranked eighth with 2,241 career kills.

MILLER OUT INDEFINITELY — Senior setter Michelle Miller is out of action indefinitely with a lower back injury. Susan Shudlick will backup Becky Bauer at the setter position.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota captured two important road victories at Purdue and Indiana last weekend to improve its record to 21-8 overall and 12-4 in the Big Ten.

THE PURDUE MATCH: Minnesota used a dozen service aces and 30 kills from Katrien DeDecker to defeat Purdue, 15-13, 14-16, 15-7, 15-11, at West Lafayette last Friday. The Gophers trailed 12-7 in game one before Sarah Pearman served up two consecutive aces to charge the Minnesota rally. Minnesota outscored Purdue 7-1 the rest of the way to take the first game, 15-13. After the Boilermakers tied the match at 1-1, the Gopher offense turned up the intensity, hitting .464 and .380 in games three and four to seal the win. DeDecker added 15 digs to her 30 kills. Four other Gophers tallied double-digit kills. Tara Baynes collected 16 kills and hit .452. Tera Fiamengo, Jane Passer and Pearman notched double-doubles in the match. Fiamengo had 15 kills and 12 digs, Passer finished with 13 kills and 12 digs and Pearman 11 kills and a team-high 16 digs. Becky Bauer contributed 71 assists and six kills to the victory.

THE INDIANA MATCH: The Gophers hit for a team .380 attack percentage in capturing a 15-9, 15-9, 15-10 victory over Indiana in Bloomington, last Saturday. For the second straight match, five Gophers recorded double-figure kill performances. Katrien DeDecker led the way with 16 kills, while Tara Baynes, Tera Fiamengo, Jane Passer and Sarah Pearman all landed 10. Baynes, despite playing with a back

injury, hit for an impressive .563 attack percentage, followed closely by Fiamengo's .500 percentage. Passer coupled her .421 hitting performance with a team-high six blocks. Each of Passer's blocks scored a point for the Gophers.

BAUER SETS HER WAY TO THE TOP — Becky Bauer isn't letting Katrien DeDecker have all the fun. Bauer's season assist total stands at 1,356, the seventh-best season tally in Gopher history. Sharon Oesterling set the standard with 1,725 assists in 1989. Bauer owns the second-best mark in school history with 1,641 assists in 1994.

BAUER COLLECTS 4,000TH ASSIST — Setter Becky Bauer collected her 4,000th career assist in the match, Nov. 8, against Michigan. She is currently third on the Gopher career assist list with 4,154, behind Sharon Osterling's (1986-89) total of 6,024 assists and Sue Jackson's (1990-93) 5,120 career assists.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN — Katrien DeDecker moved up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. DeDecker's 30 kills against Purdue was the 16th time this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has six 30-plus kill matches in her career. DeDecker has also hit 10 or more kills in an amazing 107 of her 129 career matches.

DeDECKER COLLECTS 1,000TH CAREER DIG — With several milestones already surpassed, Katrien DeDecker surpassed yet another against Indiana when she collected her 1,000th career dig. DeDecker's total currently stands at 1,011, seventh on the Minnesota career digs list. She joined an elite group of Gopher players to tally over 1,000 kills and digs in their careers. DeDecker is the fifth to accomplish the feat following Andrea Gonzalez (2,140K / 1,188D; 1985-88), Chris Schaefer (1,896K / 1,287D; 1986-89), Jean Schintz (1,250K / 1,040D; 1991-94), and Karyn Daline (1,073K / 1,040D; 1991-94).

PEARMAN'S DIGGIN' HER ROLE — Junior outside hitter Sarah Pearman was featured on this season's schedule poster digging a volleyball. It's a pose she's struck often this season, leading the Gophers with 377 digs, the sixth-best single-season mark in Minnesota volleyball history.

THE RIGHT STUFF — Middle blocker Jane Passer is quietly contributing an outstanding season, leading the Gophers in total blocks and attack percentage. Passer owns 130 total blocks in '96. Her 114 assisted blocks is eighth on the single-season honor roll. She is also the Gophers' leading hitter in attack percentage with a career-best .321 mark.

LEADING THE NATION — Katrien DeDecker's 6.14 kills per game led the nation in NCAA statistics released last week. Fellow Belgium native Vanessa Wouters of Ohio State was second with 6.11 kills per game.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — Becky Bauer was also listed among the national statistics, ranked 9th in assists per game at 13.63. As a team, Minnesota was ranked eighth in kills

per game (17.53) and assists per game (15.60) and 17th in hitting percentage (.271).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	8-3
Road matches	8-3
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	11-5
In four-game matches	7-2
In five-game matches	3-1
Record winning the first game	17-1
Record winning first two games	13-0
Record losing first game	4-7
Record losing first two games	1-6
Record vs. ranked opponents	2-5

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
 Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
 Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 15 vs. Iowa
 Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
 Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, Katrien DeDecker vs. Illinois
 Attempts — 94, Katrien DeDecker vs. Iowa
 Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 77, Becky Bauer vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 7, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa
 Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 9, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa

MINNESOTA SEVENTH IN DISTRICT POLL — Minnesota, despite receiving more points in the national poll, dropped one position to the #7 ranking in the District 2 poll released this week.

District 2 Poll #4 — Nov. 11

1. Penn State
2. Michigan State
3. Ohio State
4. Ball State
5. Wisconsin
6. Miami, Ohio
7. Minnesota
8. Central Michigan
9. Kent State
10. Western Michigan

MINNESOTA RECEIVES VOTES IN NATIONAL POLL

— For the fourth straight week, the Gophers received points in the AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches Poll. Minnesota tallied 15 points in last week's poll. If the ranking were carried further than 25th, the Gophers would be ranked 30th in the Nov. 12 poll.

FLORIDA STAYS AT #1 IN AVCA/USA TODAY TOP 25 COACHES POLL

— Florida remained the nation's #1 ranked team in last week's AVCA/USA Today Top 25 Coaches Poll. Penn State is the highest-ranked Big Ten team at #4, up from #6 last week. Michigan State dropped from #5 to #9 after losses at Ohio State and Penn State last weekend. Ohio State improved its ranking from #15 to #11, while Wisconsin slid from #13 to #17 after losing to Minnesota. Other Minnesota opponents in this week's poll are #15 Washington and three teams which received points, San Diego State, Arkansas and Cal State Northridge.

Poll #11 — Nov. 12	Record	Points	LtWk
1. Florida	26-1	1441	1
2. Stanford	21-2	1431	2
3. Hawaii (59)	25-1	1369	3
4. Penn State	23-2	1263	6
5. Nebraska	21-3	1193	7
6. Long Beach State	26-1	1161	4
7. Loyola Marymount	21-2	1094	8
8. Texas	18-4	1053	9
9. Michigan State	18-6	1018	5
10. Washington State	21-4	980	11
11. Ohio State	22-3	846	15
12. USC	16-6	815	12
13. Texas A&M	21-4	744	10
14. Pacific	19-5	689	17
15. Washington	21-5	678	14
16. UC Santa Barbara	19-7	599	16
17. Wisconsin	20-4	564	13
18. George Mason	22-2	491	18
19. Louisville	19-3	392	19
20. Kansas State	22-5	358	20
21. Oral Roberts	24-2	239	22
22. Texas Tech	21-6	213	21
23. Maryland	21-4	183	24
24. UCLA	14-11	99	23
25. Arizona	16-8	64	NR

Out of the top 25:
 Notre Dame 17-9 25

Others receiving points: BYU (52), Notre Dame (28), San Diego State (24), South Florida (19), MINNESOTA (15), Houston (11), Illinois State (11), Colorado State (10), Ball State (7), Arkansas (4), Colorado (4), Cal State Northridge (3), South Carolina (3), Idaho (3), Miami, Ohio (2), Drake (1), Rhode Island (1).

UP NEXT — The Gophers close their regular-season schedule on the road at Ohio State on Friday, Nov. 29, and at Penn State on Saturday, Nov. 30.

Basketball

MINNESOTA STARTS SEASON THIS WEEKEND--

Minnesota opens the 1996-97 season Friday, Nov. 22, in Macomb, Ill., against Western Illinois. The Gophers then return for their home opener against Iowa State Sunday, Nov. 24, at the Sports Pavilion. Game time is 2 p.m. and the game will be broadcast live on MSC. Ryan Lefebvre will handle the play-by-play duties, while former Gophers player Lea Bergin-Olsen will be the color analyst.

BASKETBALL MEDIA DAY SET FOR WEDNESDAY--The Gophers will have a basketball media day Wednesday, Nov. 20, after practice at the Sports Pavilion. The schedule of events for Wednesday:

- 12:30-3 p.m.--Basketball Practice (Pavilion)
- 3-4--Interviews with players and coaches

PRACTICE SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK--

Tuesday, Nov. 19	OFF
Wednesday, Nov. 20	12:30-3p.m. (Pavilion)
Thursday, Nov. 21	Leave for Western Illinois
Friday, Nov. 22	Game at Western Illinois, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 23	12noon-2:30 p.m. (Pavilion)
Sunday, Nov. 24	Game vs. Iowa State, 2 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 25	OFF

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota returns six players, in addition to two first-year athletes in 1996-97. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA)** Iverson was the top rebounder for the Gophers in 1996, and ranked fifth in the Big Ten Conference at nine boards a game. Last season, Iverson shattered a Sports Pavilion record with 19 rebounds in a game against Northwestern. She also was the second leading scorer for the maroon and gold at 10 points a game. Also back for Minnesota is junior point guard **JAIME ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO)**, who was 11th in the Big Ten in assists per game at 3.1. Ellis is in the best shape of her career and looks to be a floor leader for the Gophers this year. Add that to **SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out of last season, and a talented sophomore crew of **MINDY HANSEN (CHASKA, MN/CHASKA)**, **LYNDA HASS (ST. FRANCIS, MN/ST.FRANCIS)** and **SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL)** and the Gophers have the basis for an upper division finish.

Minnesota also adds two newcomers to the roster this season in **KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)** and **ANDREA SEAGO (CHERRY VALLEY, IL/ROCK-FORD GUILFORD)**. Burns, an all-state player, is a 5-7 lightning quick guard that plays both the one and the two and likes to penetrate the lane and is not afraid to take the ball to the basket. Seago, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster and is the first player from the Northern Sun Conference to play in the Big Ten. Seago averaged almost 15 points and 15 rebounds a game.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota features two juniors and three sophomores in the probable starting lineup this weekend. Juniors Jaime Ellis and Angie Iverson have the most experience in the starting lineup for Minnesota, starting 26 and 18 games, respectively. The probable starting lineup:

G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Phoenix, Ariz./Chaparrel

The Reserves

G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford

THE HEAD COACH--Linda Hill-MacDonald enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 64-102 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994, and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American Carol Ann Shudlick. For her career, Hill-MacDonald has a record of 228-232 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are Tréka McMillian, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher Crystal Flint moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season and Cara Pearson, another former Gopher, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. She was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

THE OPPONENTS--WESTERN ILLINOIS--The Westernwinds take on the Gophers in their home opener. WIU finished last season with a 10-17 record and did not advance to any postseason action. Regina Miller is in her fifth season at Western and boasts a 45-63 record, including taking her squad to the NCAA Tournament two years ago. WIU returns guard Deirdre LaFrance and center Nikka Nohl this season. LaFrance averaged 15.6 points and 3.7 rebounds last year, while Nohl was at 7.6 points and 5.4 boards a game.

THE SERIES--The series is tied at 1-1, with teams getting wins on the road. In 1994, Minnesota defeated WIU 73-63 in Macomb, Ill., while last year the Westernwinds returned the favor defeating the Gophers 65-55 at the Sports Pavilion.

ABOUT IOWA STATE--Iowa State opens its season also against the Gophers Sunday. The Cyclones finished last year with a 17-10 record and return all 10 players from last year's roster. Head coach Bill Fennelly enters his second season at ISU and has a career record of 183-68 over eight years. Iowa State returns five starters who all averaged in double figures last season, including center Jayme Olson and guard Kim Martin. Olson averaged 16.6 points and 8.1 rebounds a game, while Martin, a guard, was at 10.1 points and 7.2 rebounds a game.

THE SERIES--Minnesota leads the series 8-3, but the two schools have not played each other since the 1989-90 season, where the Gophers won 86-81 at Williams Arena. Minnesota has won four of the last five matchups between the two schools.

GOPHER REWIND--Minnesota started the season on the right foot as it defeated a team from Lithuania/Latvia, 94-70, in an exhibition game at the Sports Pavilion Thursday night. As a team, the Gophers shot 43 percent and used 35 Lithuania/Latvia turnovers to their advantage. Minnesota was led by junior center **Angie Iverson**, who had 38 points and 13 rebounds. Both would have been career highs if the game would have counted. In all, Minnesota had four players in double figures including **Mindy Hansen** with 13 points, **Lynda Hass** with 12 and **Sarah Klun** with 10. Sophomore **Sonja Robinson** had 16 rebounds and six assists for the Gophers.

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries. All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For **Stafford** it was her third leg injury in four seasons and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. **Stafford** was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. **Taylor** was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

Forward **Sarah Schieber** was the latest Gophers casualty as she tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. **Schieber** will have surgery in December and is lost for the season.

MINNESOTA PICKED TO FINISH 11TH IN BIG TEN--Minnesota was picked to finish 11th by the Big Ten Coaches at the 1996 Big Ten basketball Tip off luncheon in Indianapolis. Iowa, who is ranked #6 in the country, was picked to finish first, followed by Wisconsin, Penn State, Michigan State, Northwestern, Illinois, Ohio State, Purdue, Indiana, Michigan and Minnesota.

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will make seven appearances on TV this season as MSC will broadcast seven games, including when Minnesota plays Wisconsin January 26, in the Big Ten Game of the Week.

Other games appearing on MSC:

Sunday, Nov. 24	Iowa State	2 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 6	Marquette	7 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 30	Michigan	7 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 12	Michigan State	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 19	Northwestern	2 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 16	Indiana	2 p.m.

THE POLL--Stanford is the preseason #1 in the AP poll released Tuesday. Stanford received 35 of 42 first-place votes, followed by Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and Connecticut in the top five. Three Big Ten teams are ranked in the top 25, including Iowa who is #6. Minnesota is scheduled to play four teams in the preseason top 25 including Iowa, Penn State, Wisconsin and Stephen F. Austin in the first round of the Lady Rebel Roundup in Las Vegas, Nev. The preseason AP poll:

1. Stanford (35)	1040
2. Alabama (7)	995
3. Georgia	952
4. Tennessee	887
5. Connecticut	886
6. Iowa	861
7. Old Dominion	773
8. Western Kentucky	677
9. Vanderbilt	642
10. Virginia	619
11. Texas Tech	515
12. Kansas	487
13. NC State	474
14. La. Tech	453
15. Penn State	385
16. Duke	380
17. Colorado	323
18. Arkansas	279
19. Texas	240
20. Notre Dame	233
21. Florida	227
22. Wisconsin	180
23. North Carolina	159
24. Stephen F. Austin	154
25. Auburn	134

Minnesota opponents in bold.

UP NEXT--Minnesota will host the Dial Soap Basketball Classic at the Sports Pavilion Saturday-Sunday, Nov.30-December 1. Minnesota, James Madison, Wyoming and Kent State are in this year's Dial Classic with JMU playing Kent State and Minnesota playing Wyoming in the first round. Game times are 6 and 8 p.m. Saturday night and 1 and 3 p.m. Sunday afternoon.

Swimming and Diving

SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM RANKED 10TH IN COUNTRY--The University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team rocketed into 10th place from 15th in the Nov. 13 Speedo America's Top 25 Swimming Poll. This is the highest ranking ever for the women's team, with its previous high being 14th in the Feb. 22, 1995 coaches poll.

FREEMAN SPEAKS OUT--"Our strengths have only gotten stronger and our depth has gotten deeper," head swimming and diving coach Jean Freeman coach said after receiving the poll. Freeman credits the five-step climb since the Oct. 16 preseason poll to strong returnees in both swimming and diving events as well as newcomers to the team. A total of six Big Ten Conference schools are ranked in the top 25. Michigan is third and is followed by Minnesota, Northwestern (15th), Wisconsin (21st), Illinois (23rd) and Penn State (24th). Stanford in first in the rankings and SMU is second.

COED MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL NEXT MEET--The Minnesota women's and men's team swimming and diving teams host the Minnesota Invitational, Friday through Sunday, Nov. 22-24. Six coed teams will be competing as well as two women's only and two men's only teams. Coed teams are from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa State, North Dakota, St. Olaf and Florida Atlantic. Women's teams from Northern Michigan and Concordia and men's teams from Carleton and Utah will also be competing.

Friday, November 22 (Prelims/Finals)

Swimming 11 a.m./6 p.m.

Diving 1:30 p.m./7 p.m.

200-yard freestyle relay

500-yard freestyle

200-yard individual medley

women's 1-meter diving

men's 3-meter diving

400-yard medley relay.

Saturday, November 23 (Prelims/Finals)

Swimming 11 a.m./6 p.m.

Diving 1:30 p.m./7 p.m.

200-yard medley relay

400-yard individual medley

100-yard butterfly

200-yard freestyle

100-yard breaststroke

100-yard backstroke

women's 3-meter diving

men's 1-meter diving

800-yard freestyle relay

Sunday, November 24 (Prelims/Finals)

Swimming 10 a.m./3 p.m.

Diving finals 12:30 p.m.

1,650-yard freestyle

200-yard backstroke

100-yard freestyle

200-yard breaststroke

200-yard butterfly

men's and women's platform diving

400-yard freestyle

GOPHER'S DROWN #11 HUSKERS 186-114 -- The 10th-ranked Gophers remain undefeated as they beat the 11th-ranked Cornhuskers of Nebraska, 186-114, at the University Aquatic Center on Saturday, Nov. 14. Minnesota in now 4-0 overall and Nebraska in 1-1.

HEGENER IMPROVES QUALIFYING TIME -- Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)** improved her automatic NCAA qualifying time in the 100-yard breaststroke with a winning time of 1:02.21, bettering her previous qualifying time of 1:02.32. She was also first in the 200-breaststroke with an NCAA consideration time of 2:16.19.

HENNEN FIRST IN THREE EVENTS -- Frosh **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)** won three of the five freestyle events, all with NCAA consideration times.

1. 50-yard freestyle -- 23.69 (NCAA consideration time)

1. 100-yard freestyle -- 51.41 (NCAA consideration time)

1. 200-yard freestyle -- 1:50.11 (NCAA consideration time)

1. 200-yard medley relay -- 1:43.97 (NCAA consideration)

MORE MINNESOTA WINNERS --

Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)**

1. 500-yard freestyle -- 4:53.91 (NCAA consideration time)

1. 1000-yard freestyle -- 10:02.10

Senior **TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)**

1. 100-yard butterfly 55.34 (NCAA consideration time)

1. 200-yard medley relay -- 1:43.97 (NCAA consideration)

Senior **JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT)**

1. 200 yard fly -- 2:02.73 (NCAA consideration time)

Junior **SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN/MISSION VIEJO)**

1. 200-yard medley relay -- 1:43.97 (NCAA consideration)

Senior **DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)**

1. 200-yard medley relay -- 1:43.97 (NCAA consideration)

Senior **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)**

1. 3-meter diving -- 280.13 (NCAA Zone Diving qualifying)

ATHLETES OF THE MEET -- Jenny Hennen was named athlete of the Minnesota-Nebraska meet for her triple freestyle victories. She was first with NCAA consideration times in the 50-, 100- and 200-yard freestyle events. Hennen was also the anchor leg of Minnesota's exhibition 400-yard freestyle relay team which turned in the fastest time at the meet.

Cross Country

GULLINGSRUD WAITS FOR NCAA INVITE--Sophomore ANNA GULLINGSRUD (MOUNDS VIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) must wait and see if she will qualify for the NCAA Championships, held on Monday, Nov. 25, in Tucson, Ariz. Gullingsrud was not an automatic qualifier but will most likely be selected as an at-large bid.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota finished in seventh place with 179 points at the District IV Championships in Champaign, Ill., on Saturday. Wisconsin was the team winner with 54 points, while Eden Prairie's Joanna Deeter of Notre Dame was the overall winner in a time of 17:18.

Leading the way for the Gophers was Anna Gullingsrud, who finished sixth in a time of 17:33. Second for the Gophers was junior KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON), who was 30th overall in 18:18. New-comer MINNA HARONOJA (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA) finished 35th in a time of 18:21. Junior AN-DREA LENTZ (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR) was 52nd in a season-best time of 18:31. Other Gopher results: KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/CLINTON-GRACEVILLE), 57th in 18:35; AMY HOEL (CORNELL, WI) 74th in 18:49; and JULIE GOLLA (ROCHESTER, MN/JOHN MARSHALL), 122nd in 19:17.

MORE ABOUT ANNA--Anna Gullingsrud was named Big Ten Cross Country Athlete of the Month in September. In her first race as a Gopher, Gullingsrud ran the fastest time ever by a Minnesota runner on the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course in finishing first at the Minnesota Triangular against nationally-ranked Arkansas and Drake. Gullingsrud's time of 17:24 was the 24th fastest time ever run in Minnesota history.

Two weeks later at the prestigious Roy Griak Invitational, Gullingsrud placed fifth among the nation's best runners as 12 of the top 25 teams, including #1 ranked Providence, were in the meet. Gullingsrud shattered her own Minnesota record on the Les Bolstad Course with a time of 16:50. It was the third fastest time run by a Minnesota runner in the history of the program and the fastest time ever posted by a sophomore runner in Gopher history.

THOMPSON NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-BIG TEN — Kari Thompson was named second-team all-Big Ten after the Big Ten Championships. It was the first time that Thompson, who placed 14th, was given the award.

Soccer

MINNESOTA ENDS SEASON WITH THRILLING MATCH AT NEBRASKA--Minnesota finished the season losing a thrilling match to #5 Nebraska, 3-2, in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in Lincoln, Neb. Minnesota completes the season with a 13-7 record and a third-place finish in the Big Ten Conference.

GOPHER REWIND: NEBRASKA--In what many have said was the most exciting game in NCAA Tournament history, Minnesota lost a heartbreaker to the Huskers, 3-2, in the 148th minute of action. Nebraska's Kari Uppinghouse connected on a shot that bounced off the post and high into the corner past Minnesota keeper TERESA O'HEARN (ANOKA, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK) with 1:17 remaining in the second sudden death overtime.

Nebraska jumped on the board only 2:23 into the match as Uppinghouse scored the first goal of the game on a scramble off a corner kick in front of the net.

The Gophers soon responded at 13:54 when JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE) scored her 14th goal of the season low and to the left of Nebraska keeper Becky Hornbacher off an assist from NICOLE LEE (BLAINE, MN/CHAMPLIN PARK).

Nebraska scored again five minute later when Jenny Benson scored on a corner kick that went through the hands of starting keeper DANA LARSON (DELAWARE, OH/HAYES) at 19:11.

The Gophers tied the game at two when CORINNE BOLDER (DALE CITY, VA/GAR-FIELD) scored off a crossing pass from MEGAN JOHNSON (ROSEMOUNT, MN/ROSEMOUNT) at 25:35. Bolder took the pass from Johnson and hit the cross bar before the ball went straight down and into the goal.

The game remained scoreless for the next 123 minutes, with both teams having numerous scoring opportunities, before Uppinghouse connected to end the game. Nebraska outshot the Gophers 14-9 and had 19 corner kicks compared to only eight for the Gophers.

Nebraska will now play Duke in the second round of the tournament.

MCELMURY NAMED BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE YEAR--Junior Jennifer McElmury was named 1996 Big Ten Player of the Year at the annual awards banquet. McElmury was also named first-team all-Big Ten, along with senior ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA). VANESSA TOUSET (WOODBIDGE, VA/GAR-FIELD) was named to the second team. McElmury was second in the Big Ten in scoring at 35 points, while Hussey ranked fifth at 30 points. Touset is the anchor of Minnesota's defense, which allowed only 25 goals in 20 games this season.

As of: November 16, 1996
 Indiana
 29 Matches played
 21 Wins, 8 Losses

SID Report - Volleyball
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	28	73	0	1	2	-.500	2	0	0	7	0	0	80
2	Fiamengo, T.	29	100	226	80	505	.289	55	0	0	18	3	52	168
3	Miller, M.	21	41	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	5	0	3	22
4	McDonell, J.	29	65	55	33	140	.157	3	0	0	11	2	14	83
6	Hebert, H.	26	43	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	4	0	0	23
7	Baynes, T.	25	87	184	68	417	.278	17	0	0	24	19	96	113
8	DeDecker, K.	29	102	629	182	1457	.307	31	0	0	32	19	70	285
9	Passer, J.	29	102	314	96	680	.321	23	0	0	28	16	114	283
10	Pearman, S.	29	101	287	133	756	.204	39	0	0	18	6	36	377
13	Bauer, B.	28	98	110	40	274	.255	1356	0	0	32	6	82	183
14	Shudlick, S.	25	61	0	2	6	-.333	16	0	0	10	0	0	49
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		29	102	1815	637	4258	.277	1610	0	0	189	71	467	1666
TEAM BLOCKS:		304												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	73	0	2	0	16	0.00	0.03	0.10	1.10	0.00	0.25
2	Fiamengo, T.	100	1	1	10	30	2.26	0.55	0.18	1.68	0.55	0.41
3	Miller, M.	41	0	0	1	9	0.24	1.63	0.12	0.54	0.07	0.24
4	McDonell, J.	65	1	9	2	19	0.85	0.05	0.17	1.28	0.25	0.46
6	Hebert, H.	43	0	4	0	4	0.00	0.02	0.09	0.53	0.00	0.19
7	Baynes, T.	87	5	4	9	45	2.11	0.20	0.28	1.30	1.32	0.67
8	DeDecker, K.	102	2	37	5	79	6.17	0.30	0.31	2.79	0.87	1.19
9	Passer, J.	102	1	10	6	32	3.08	0.23	0.27	2.77	1.27	0.47
10	Pearman, S.	101	2	41	4	60	2.84	0.39	0.18	3.73	0.42	1.04
13	Bauer, B.	98	26	0	13	39	1.12	13.84	0.33	1.87	0.90	0.53
14	Shudlick, S.	61	0	1	0	15	0.00	0.26	0.16	0.80	0.00	0.26
0		0	0	3	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		102	38	112	50	348	17.79	15.78	1.85	16.33	2.98	5.00

University of Minnesota
1996 Volleyball Season Results

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Game scores</u>	<u>Location</u>
#10 San Diego State	8/30/96	L 1-3	6-15, 12-15, 15-8, 14-16	San Diego, CA
San Diego	8/31/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 9-15	San Diego, CA
Cal St.-Northridge	8/31/96	W 3-0	15-8, 15-4, 15-13	San Diego, CA
Montana State	9/6/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-13, 15-13	Bozeman, MT
Washington	9/7/96	L 1-3	16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15	Bozeman, MT
Kent State	9/7/96	W 3-1	7-15, 15-6, 15-7, 15-2	Bozeman, MT
#19 Georgia Tech	9/13/96	L 2-3	14-16, 15-9, 15-8, 7-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
Marshall	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-3, 15-12, 15-8	Minneapolis, MN
Arkansas	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-7, 16-14, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Providence	9/20/96	W 3-1	15-7, 14-16, 15-1, 15-4	Chestnut Hill, MS
Dartmouth	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-10, 15-5, 15-5	Chestnut Hill, MS
Bucknell	9/21/96	W 3-0	15-11, 15-4, 15-7	Chestnut Hill, MS
Boston College	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-13, 15-0, 15-2	Chestnut Hill, MS
#2 Penn State *	9/27/96	L 0-3	11-15, 3-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
#8 Ohio State *	9/28/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-13, 15-11	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	10/4/96	W 3-2	14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13	Iowa City, IA
Illinois *	10/5/96	W 3-1	15-8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13	Champaign, IL
#9 Wisconsin *	10/9/96	L 0-3	9-20, 10-19, 10-16	Madison, WI
Michigan *	10/12/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-6, 15-11	Ann Arbor, MI
Indiana *	10/18/96	W 3-1	12-7, 10-11, 16-10, 17-8	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	10/19/96	W 3-1	15-6, 6-15, 15-7, 15-13	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan State *	10/25/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 7-15	East Lansing, MI
Northwestern *	10/26/96	W 3-1	15-7, 15-11, 16-18, 15-6	Evanston, IL
Illinois *	11/1/96	W 3-2	13-15, 15-8, 15-4, 17-19, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	11/2/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-9, 15-4	Minneapolis, MN
#13 Wisconsin *	11/6/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-12, 15-12	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan *	11/8/96	L 0-3	12-15, 7-15, 10-15	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	11/15/96	W 3-1	15-13, 14-16, 15-7, 15-11	West Lafayette, IN
Indiana *	11/16/96	W 3-0	15-9, 15-9, 15-10	Bloomington, IN

* denotes Big Ten match

Record:	Overall	21-8
	Big Ten	12-4

University of Minnesota
1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 4-0 Big Ten: 1-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational			Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame			
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State			
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#21 Wisconsin			
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue			
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois			
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite				2/8/97	Iowa			
12/20/96	@ Hawaii				2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge			
1/10/97	#20 Kansas				2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite				3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #15 Northwestern				3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center
Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)
Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)		200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)		200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)
Jenny Hennen 23.69 •		Marta Knowles 2:05.11		1:36.75 – Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Suzie Helvig, Jenny Hennen
Amy Cottrill 24.24		Beth Shimanski 2:09.21		
Heather Miller 24.53		Kimberly Wilson 2:11.81		400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)
Terri Jashinsky 24.56		Amy Cottrill 2:14.76		3:29.35 – Terri Jashinsky, Olga Splichalova, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen
Suzie Helvig 24.63		Kathleen Preston 2:19.42		
100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)		100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)		800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)
Jenny Hennen 51.41 •		Gretchen Hegener 1:02.21 #		
Terri Jashinsky 52.49		Devon Coellner 1:05.66		200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)
Amy Cottrill 52.65 \$		Kate McMillan 1:06.01		1:43.97* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Devon Coellner
Devon Coellner 53.05		Katie Olson 1:08.39		
Olga Splichalova 53.11		Michelle Fischer 1:09.15		400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)
200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)		200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:16.10)		
Jenny Hennen 1:50.11 •		Gretchen Hegener 2:16.19 •		1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)
Olga Splichalova 1:50.19 •		Kate McMillan 2:24.09		Andrea Berg 268.900 %
Alicia Hicken 1:53.79		Jessica Grass 2:25.94		Carrie Hansen 267.100 %
Krissy Berglund 1:57.54		Olga Splichalova 2:27.18		Jenny Cook 253.725 %
Amy Cottrill 1:57.77		Jessica Smith 2:27.51		Shelby Evadine Miller 230.620
500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)		100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)		Andrea Wheeler 173.950
Olga Splichalova 4:52.31 •		Tanya Schuh 55.34 •		1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)
Kimberly Wilson 4:57.12		Terry Jashinsky 56.31 •		
Jenny Hennen 4:58.75		Carrie Raeth 58.58		3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)
Alicia Hicken 5:00.93		Jenny Hennen 59.30		Carrie Hansen 291.400 %
Jessica Grass 5:01.59		Krissy Berglund 1:00.04		Andrea Berg 280.130 %
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68\$)		200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)		Jenny Cook 272.625 %
Olga Splichalova 9:50.10		Jessica Grass 2:02.73 •		Shelby Evadine Miller 254.550
Kimberly Wilson 10:06.79		Terri Jashinsky 2:03.05 •		Andrea Wheeler 183.150
Alicia Hicken 10:14.87		Tanya Schuh 2:05.33		3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)
Jessica Grass 10:19.90		Marta Knowles 2:17.45		
Jennifer Bloomer 10:48.96		200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)		Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)		Devon Coellner 2:08.44		Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)
Kimberly Wilson 17:04.34		Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72		
		Jessica Grass 2:08.97		
		Marta Knowles 2:13.08		
		Michelle Fischer 2:16.10		
100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)		400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)		
Shona Baillie 58.12		Jessica Grass 4:22.52		
Beth Shimanski 58.38		Marta Knowles 4:30.41		
Marta Knowles 1:00.38		Kimberly Wilson 4:41.89		
Amy Cottrill 1:01.63				
Carrie Raeth 1:02.04				

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time
•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

1996 University of Minnesota Cross Country Results

9/7	Intrasquad/Alumni (St. Paul, MN)	Gold 27, Maroon 28		10/19	at Iowa State Invitational (Ames, Iowa)	2nd (43 points)
9/14	Minnesota Triangular (St. Paul, MN)	2nd (36 points)		10/26	Minnesota Open (St. Paul, MN)	No team scores
9/21	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	t-2nd (81 points)		11/2	Big Ten Championships (Bloomington, IN)	5th (134 points)
9/28	Roy Griak Invitational (St. Paul, MN)	10th (272 points)		11/16	at Region IV Championships (Champaign, IL)	7th (179 points)
10/12	at Auburn, Invitational (Auburn, AL)	8th (220 points)		11/25	at NCAA Championships (Tucson, AZ)	

	Intrasquad (4,000m)	Triangular (5,000m)	St. Olaf (5,000m)	Roy Griak (5,000m)	Auburn (5,000m)	Iowa State (5,000m)	MN Open (5,000m)	Big Ten (5,000m)	Region IV (5,000m)
Megan Amundson	17:40.10 (21st)	21:29 (37th/21th)	21:50 (118th/10th)	20:31 (M171/4th)	DNC	DNC	22:50 (12th)	DNC	DNC
Tiffany Barron	16:42.90 (17th)	20:49 (35th/20th)	22:06 (141st/11th)	20:35 (M177/5th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC
Beth Cordes	17:28.30 (20th)	20:35 (31st/17th)	21:10 (67th/8th)	19:46 (M95/1st)	DNC	DNC	20:33 (8th)	DNC	DNC
Anna Gullingsrud	14:19.30 (1st)	17:24 (1st/1st)	DNC	16:50 (5th/1st)	DNC	17:58 (3rd/1st)	DNC	18:53.6 (28th/3rd)	17:33 (6th/1st)
Danielle Giusti	15:37.00 (10th)	19:30 (23rd/12th)	20:02 (12th/2nd)	19:03 (141st/12th)	18:58.7 (113th/8th)	19:51 (51st/11th)	19:54 (6th)	DNC	DNC
Julie Golla	15:28.20 (9th)	19:08 (21st/10th)	DNC	18:37 (99th/5th)	18:41 (77th/4th)	19:52 (49th/10th)	DNC	DNC	19:17 (122nd/7th)
Gillian Haro	15:58.30 (13th)	19:42 (24th/13th)	20:03 (13th/3rd)	18:51 (125th/10th)	19:25.0 (146th/10th)	DNC	18:58 (1st)	DNC	DNC
Minna Haronoja	14:44.40 (2nd)	18:21 (5th/2nd)	DNC	18:12 (60th/3rd)	18:11.0 (35th/1st)	18:51 (12th/2nd)	DNC	18:39.1 (21st/2nd)	18:21 (35th/3rd)
Christie Heikes	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNF	DNC	DNC	20:39 (9th)	DNC	DNC
Amy Hoel	15:23.30 (8th)	18:59 (17th/6th)	DNC	18:39 (102nd/6th)	18:48.6 (92nd/6th)	19:21 (31st/8th)	DNC	19:13.7 (41st/5th)	18:49 (74th/6th)
Janet Howe	16:17.70 (16th)	19:20 (22nd/11th)	19:37 (8th/1st)	18:43 (109th/8th)	18:52.7 (110th/7th)	19:18 (29th/7th)	DNC	19:26.3 (52nd/7th)	DNC
Heidi Johnson	15:38.60 (11th)	19:05 (20th/9th)	DNC	18:47 (115th/9th)	DNC	DNC	19:13 (2nd)	DNC	DNC
Genalyn Johnson	DNC	20:36 (32nd/18th)	21:02 (57th/6th)	20:19 (M145/2nd)	DNC	DNC	20:19 (7th)	DNC	DNC
Renee Kalmbach	15:59.00 (14th)	20:30 (30th/16th)	21:08 (62nd/7th)	19:51 (177th/16th)	DNC	DNC	19:49 (4th)	DNC	DNC
Karen Kleindl	15:13.40 (5th)	18:45 (11th/4th)	DNC	18:20 (74th/4th)	18:23.3 (55th/3rd)	19:02 (16th/4th)	DNC	19:27.7 (54th/8th)	18:35 (57th/5th)
Andrea Lentz	15:16.50 (7th)	19:02 (19th/8th)	DNC	18:58 (135th/11th)	18:59.9 (116th/9th)	19:07 (22nd/5th)	DNC	19:03.6 (35th/4th)	18:31 (52nd/4th)
Anne Marshall	DNC	21:38 (38th/22nd)	22:44 (180th/12th)	20:48 (M201/6th)	DNC	DNC	21:47 (11th)	DNC	DNC
Marissa McGill	16:52.90 (19th)	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	DNC	19:50	DNC	DNC
Laurie McGinley	16:46.40 (18th)	20:41 (33rd/19th)	21:44 (105th/9th)	20:22 (M153/3rd)	DNC	DNC	21:31 (10th)	DNC	DNC
Bridget Neutgens	15:15.80 (6th)	18:51 (13th/5th)	DNC	18:42 (107th/7th)	18:46.5 (89th/5th)	19:39 (44th/9th)	DNC	19:19.9 (48th/6th)	DNC
Nikki Rassbach	16:03.20 (15th)	20:05 (27th/15th)	20:16 (20nd/4th)	19:42 (173rd/15th)	DNC	DNC	19:51 (5th)	DNC	DNC
Andrea Swansby	15:54.60 (12th)	19:53 (26th/14th)	20:30 (28th/5th)	19:23 (155th/14th)	DNC	DNC	19:39 (3rd)	DNC	DNC
Kari Thompson	14:47.10 (3rd)	18:23 (6th/3rd)	DNC	17:57 (40th/2nd)	18:12.0 (36th/2nd)	18:55 (13th/3rd)	DNC	18:29.3 (14th/1st)	18:18 (30th/2nd)
Keri Zweig	15:06.70 (4th)	19:01 (18th/7th)	DNC	19:05 (144th/13th)	21:03.0 (256th/11th)	19:15 (25th/6th)	DNC	20:20.7 (79th/9th)	DNC

1996 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S SOCCER RESULTS

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall Record	Conf. Record	Att.
Aug. 31	at Valparaiso	W	10-0	1-0		NA
Sept. 2	at Butler	W	3-1	2-0		NA
Sept. 7	Auburn	W	2-0	3-0		463
Sept. 8	New Mexico	W	1-0	4-0		423
Sept. 14	at #4 Portland	L	3-2	4-1		1,059
Sept. 15	vs. #14 Washington	W	2-1	5-1		1,912
Sept. 20	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	W	1-0	6-1		442
Sept. 22	*at Penn State	L	3-2 (OT)	6-2	0-1	NA
Sept. 27	*Northwestern	W	1-0	7-2	1-1	442
Sept. 28	*#16 Wisconsin	L	3-1	7-3	1-2	1,427
Oct. 6	Minnesota-Duluth	W	5-0	8-3		587
Oct. 11	* at Michigan State	W	2-1	9-3	2-2	88
Oct. 13	* at Michigan	W	4-2	10-3	3-2	347
Oct. 18	* Indiana	W	2-1	11-3	4-2	361
Oct. 20	* Ohio State	W	1-0	12-3	5-2	426
Oct. 25	vs. #2 North Carolina	L	2-0	12-4		N/A
Oct. 27	vs. Northern Illinois	W	3-1	13-4		N/A
Nov. 3	Evansville	L	2-1	13-5		520
Nov. 9	! vs. Northwestern	L	2-1	13-6	5-3	N/A
Nov. 17	^^#5 Nebraska	L	3-2 (ot)	13-7		1,544

*Big Ten Conference match

! Big Ten Conference Tournament

^^ NCAA Tournament

Overall Record: 13-7

Home Record: 7-2

Away Record: 4-2

Neutral Record: 2-3

Overtime Record: 0-3

Big Ten Record: 5-3

Home Record: 3-1

Away Record: 2-1

Goals for: 46

Goals Against: 25

Goals for, first half: 18

Goals for, second half: 28

Goals for, overtime: 0

Goals against, first half: 12

Goals against, second half: 11

Goals against, overtime: 2

Home Attendance: 5074/564 per match

1996 Final Minnesota Overall Statistics

<u>Players</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Shots</u>	<u>Assists</u>	<u>Points</u>
Erika Berghauer	2	0	0	1	0	0
Corinne Bolder	20	19	5	35	3	13
Sarah Conners	16	0	1	11	1	3
Michealene Denney	20	20	1	7	0	2
Rose Grimm	2	0	0	0	0	0
Erin Hussey	20	20	10	38	10	30
Allison Johnson	20	20	0	12	1	1
Megan Johnson	20	20	1	16	11	13
Amy Koehler	16	0	1	4	0	2
Erika Kruse	15	0	1	3	0	2
Nicole Lee	20	16	8	37	5	21
Jennifer McElmury	20	20	14	88	7	35
Dorsey Nelson	9	0	0	0	0	0
Jaime O'Gara	3	0	0	1	0	0
Noelle Papenhausen	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kristen Peterson	17	1	0	9	0	0
Kelly Shea	20	20	1	11	1	3
Colleen Tierney	9	0	0	6	0	0
Vanessa Touset	20	20	0	8	0	0
Jennifer Walek	4	4	3	7	1	7
Jamie Wyffels	20	20	0	2	0	0
Totals	20	20	46	296	40	132

Keepers

	<u>GP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>Saves</u>	<u>GAA</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>Shared</u>	<u>W/L</u>
Dana Larson	13	10	895	12	47	1.21	3	2	7-3
Teresa O'Hearn	13	10	998	13	49	1.17	2	2	6-4

Corner Kicks: 87

Fouls: 180

Penalty Kicks: 2/1

Scoring by Periods:

Minnesota	18	28	0-0	46
Opponents	12	11	1-0-0-1	25



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Catch what you've been missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, November 29
VB at Ohio State 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 30
BKB hosts the Dial Classic
James Madison vs. Kent 6 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Wyoming 8 p.m.
VB at Penn State 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 24
BB hosts Dial Soap Classic
Consolation game 1 p.m.
Championship game 3 p.m.
VB hosts Selection Show Party*
(Williams Club Room) 4:30 p.m.

* Live on MSC

What's Coming Up

- Basketball hosts the Dial Soap Basketball Classic Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 30-Dec.1
- Fans have a chance to win a Ford Windstar Minivan and a \$500 gift certificate for Rainbow Foods
- Volleyball plays Ohio State and Penn State to close regular season
- NCAA Volleyball selection show set for Sunday, Dec. 1, at 5 p.m. Media invited to gathering at Williams Arena

Last Week's Highlights

- DeDecker sets Minnesota single-season record for kills
- Swimming's Schuh qualifies for NCAA meet as #10 Gophers win Minnesota Invitational
- Swimming's Hegener ties school record
- Iverson has two double-doubles in close losses to Western Illinois and Iowa State

Basketball

MINNESOTA PLAYS HOST TO DIAL SOAP BASKETBALL CLASSIC--Minnesota, 0-2 after losing to both Western Illinois and Iowa State last weekend, hosts the Dial Soap Basketball Classic Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 30-Dec. 1, at the Sports Pavilion. This marks the 15th season the University of Minnesota has been a host of the Dial Soap Basketball Classic. This year's field includes Minnesota, Wyoming, James Madison and Kent State.

The pairings for the Dial Soap Basketball Classic:
 Saturday, Nov. 30--James Madison vs. Kent State 6 p.m.
 Minnesota vs. Wyoming 8 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 1--Consolation Game 1 p.m.
 Championship Game 3 p.m.

A banquet will also be held Friday evening at the Radisson Metrodome beginning at 7 p.m. All members of the media are invited to attend and should respond to Lisa Nelson in the Sports Information Office at 624-9396.

LOTS OF PROMOTIONS AT THE DIAL CLASSIC--Many promotions will be taking place at the Dial Classic this weekend. On Friday, Dial and Rainbow Foods will sponsor the chance to win a \$500 gift certificate. The lucky contestant will attempt one free throw. If the contestant makes the shot, it will receive \$500. If the contestant misses, it is still worth \$100 dollars to Rainbow Foods.

On Sunday, Dial, Target and KS95 will have two promotions. The first will have three contestants attempt a free throw. If made, the contestant wins \$50 gift certificate to Target and if missed, the person wins a Dial Soap basketball. Then in the grand prize giveaway, a person has the chance to make a halfcourt shot to win a Ford Windstar Minivan.

HISTORY OF THE DIAL CLASSIC--Each year since 1979, the Dial Corporation has helped inaugurate the women's collegiate basketball season with the Dial Soap Basketball Classic tournament series. The 1996 Dial Soap Classic's are among the biggest and best in sports as Dial is sponsoring 12 tournaments across the country, with 48 teams participating. In the past, the Dial Soap Classics have an illustrious past, having been involved with over 60 hosts schools, over 400 participating teams and thousands of student-athletes.

MINNESOTA IN THE DIAL CLASSIC--Minnesota has won the Dial Classic crown six times over the years, including three straight from 1991-93. Minnesota has also had six players named MVP of the tournament, including Carol Ann Shudlick, who won the honor in 1991 and 1993. The Gophers have also had 26 student-athletes receive all-tournament honors.

Last season, Princeton won the team title, while Minnesota was third. Former Gopher guard Kay Schmidt was the only Minnesota player named to the all-tournament team.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota features two juniors and three sophomores in the probable starting lineup today. Juniors Jaime Ellis and Angie Iverson have the most experience in the starting lineup for Minnesota, starting 28 and 20 games, respectively. Sarah Klun and Sonja Robinson made only their second collegiate starts against Iowa State. The probable starting lineup:

G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Phoenix, Ariz./Chaparral

The Reserves

G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
G	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, Minn./Anoka

PRACTICE SCHEDULE--Minnesota will hold practice at the Sports Pavilion this week. Players and coaches are available for interviews after practice. Please call Lisa Nelson at 624-9396 to request an interview. Also, the Sports Pavilion doors are locked after 5 p.m. and special arrangements need to be made with Nelson for entry into the facility.

Monday, Nov. 25	OFF
Tuesday, Nov. 26	Practice 7-9:30
Wednesday, Nov. 27	Practice 12:30-3 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 28	OFF
Friday, Nov. 29	TBA
Saturday, Nov. 30	Dial Soap Basketball Classic vs. Wyoming, 8 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 1	Dial Soap Basketball Classic Consolation Game, 1 p.m. Championship game, 3 p.m.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota returns six players, in addition to two first-year athletes in 1996-97. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward Angie Iverson. Iverson was the top rebounder for the Gophers in 1996, and ranked fifth in the Big Ten Conference at nine boards a game. Last season, Iverson shattered a Sports Pavilion record with 19 rebounds against Northwestern. She also was the second-leading scorer for the maroon and gold at 10 points a game. Also back for Minnesota is junior point guard Jaime Ellis, who was 11th in the Big Ten in assists per game at 3.1. Ellis is in the best shape of her career and looks to be a floor leader for the Gophers this year. Add that to Sarah Klun, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season, and a talented sophomore crew of Mindy Hansen, Lynda Hass and Sonja Robinson, and the Gophers have the basis for an upper-division finish.

Minnesota also adds two newcomers to the roster this season in Kiauna Burns and Andrea Seago. Burns, an all-state player, is a 5-7 lightning quick guard that plays both the one and the two and likes to penetrate the lane. Seago, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster and is the first player from the Northern Sun Conference to play in the Big Ten. Seago averaged almost 15 points and 15 rebounds a game as a junior.

GOPHERS ADD TWO WALK-ONS--Minnesota added two walkons to the roster this week in **SY NONGINTHIRATH** (EDGERTON, MN/SOUTHWEST CHRISTIAN/DORDT COLLEGE) and **TERESA O'HEARN** (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA). Nonginthirath is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. O'Hearn, who was the keeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. O'Hearn is a 6-0 forward.

THE HEAD COACH—**Linda Hill-MacDonald** enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 64-104 record at Minnesota. **Hill-MacDonald** led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994, and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, **Hill-MacDonald** has a record of 228-234 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: **Hill-MacDonald's** assistant coaches are **Tréka McMillian**, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint** moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. Pearson was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

THE OPPONENTS--WYOMING--Wyoming has played Crieghton and Montana this season, but information was unavailable at press time. The Cowgirls finished last season with a 11-16 record overall and a fourth-place finish in the WAC. Head coach **Chad Lavin** is in his 11th season at Wyoming and has a record of 148-134. Wyoming is led by returners **Jessica Cross**, a first-team all-WAC player, and **Chrissy Ingalls**, an all-WAC Newcomer. **Cross** averaged 12.3 points and 7.5 rebounds a game, while **Ingalls** finished the year at 11.7 points and 5.8 rebounds a game.

THE SERIES--Minnesota leads the series 1-0, but the two teams have not met since the 1985 season. Minnesota won the matchup 71-53 at Williams Arena.

JAMES MADISON--JMU is 2-0 on the season after defeating Radford, 63-49, and Maine, 69-63, over the weekend. Head coach **Sheila Moorman** is in her 15th season and has a record of 285-125. As a team, JMU is shooting 44 percent, including 35 percent from behind the three point arc. They are also out rebounding their opponents 37-32. James Madison has a balanced scoring attack with five players averaging in double figures. JMU is led by **Sarah Screib** and **Hope Cook** who are both averaging 13 points a game and six rebounds, while **Misty Colebank** is shooting 62 percent from the field and averaging 11.5 points a game.

THE SERIES--JMU leads the series 1-0 after defeating the Gophers 73-63 in Harrisonburg, Va., last season.

ABOUT KENT STATE--Kent is 0-1 on the season after losing to #14 Notre Dame, 66-44, in the first round of the Preseason NIT. Kent's head coach is **Bob Lindsay**, who is 121-81 during his eight seasons of coaching the Golden Flashes. As a team, Kent is shooting only 29 percent from the field and was outrebounded by the Irish 40-34. Kent is led by forward **Carrie Templin** who had 13 points and 10 rebounds in the Notre Dame game. **Dawn Zerman** is the only other Kent player in double figure scoring with 11 points.

THE SERIES--If Minnesota and Kent play in the championship game, it would be the first meeting for both schools.

GOPHER REWIND: AGAINST IOWA STATE--In an exciting game, Iowa State went on an 16-5 run with seven minutes left in the game, erasing a six-point Minnesota lead, and defeated the Gophers, 73-69, at the Sports Pavilion. The Gophers led 61-55 with six minutes to go, but Iowa State's run put the Cyclone ahead 69-64 with 1:12 to go. **Jaime Ellis** connected on a three pointer bringing the Gophers to within two. Minnesota then tied the game at 69-69 with 42.2 seconds left, but **Ellis** fouled **Tara Gunderson**, who connected on both free throws to ice the game for ISU. Minnesota only shot 35 percent for the game, but cut down on its turnovers with 15 against Iowa State. Minnesota also outrebounded the Cyclones 47-42.

The Gophers were led by **Angie Iverson**, who had 17 points and 17 rebounds. Three other Gophers finished in double figures including **Mindy Hansen** who had 15 points. **Ellis** finished with a career-high 13 points and zero turnovers, while **Sarah Klun** had her second consecutive games in double figures with 10 points.

AGAINST WESTERN ILLINOIS--Minnesota played well, but ran out of gas as it fell to Western Illinois, 70-61, in Macomb, Ill., Friday evening. The Gophers, playing with only seven players, led for much of the game as they jumped out to a 31-26 halftime lead behind 12 points by **Sarah Klun**, who was making her first career start after missing the entire 1995-96 season with a torn ACL.

Minnesota led by as much as 10 in the second half, but WIU went on a 12-2 run and tied the game on a **Meschele Darden** six-footer with 11:52 to go in the game. Minnesota continued to battle, but turnovers in the final 10 minutes gave the victory to the Westerwinds.

For the game Minnesota had 31 turnovers and struggled from the field in the second half, shooting 37 percent, after connecting on 50 percent in the first half. Minnesota was also outrebounded 47-37, including 21-11 on the offensive glass.

Leading the way for the Gophers was **Klun** who posted a career-best 18 points on 8-of-13 shooting in a career-high 37 minutes. **Angie Iverson** had a double-double with 16 points and 10 rebounds, while **Sonja Robinson** had eight points and 10 rebounds.

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries, and then lost **Lynda Hass** with appendicitis. All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For **Stafford** it was her third leg injury in four seasons and doctors advised her to quit playing

basketball. **Stafford** was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. **Taylor** was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

Forward **Sarah Schieber** was the latest Gophers casualty as she tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. **Schieber** will have surgery in December and is lost for the season.

Hass, who missed both the Iowa State and Western Illinois games due to appendicitis, is scheduled to begin practicing again Monday and is probable for the Dial Classic.

KLUN GLAD TO BE BACK--Sophomore **Sarah Klun**, who missed last season with a torn ACL, made an impressive return to the floor as she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes Friday against Western Illinois. Then against Iowa State, **Klun** had 10 points, five rebounds and four assists in 30 minutes before fouling out. **Klun** played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

IVERSON GETS THAT ELUSIVE DOUBLE-DOUBLE--Although it was rough going, junior **Angie Iverson** had double-doubles against Western Illinois and Iowa State over the weekend, the seventh and eighth in her career. **Iverson**, who was in foul trouble much of the evening, scored 16 points and 10 rebounds against the Westerwinds. She followed that performance with 17 points and 17 rebounds against ISU. Last season, **Iverson** had five double-doubles, but missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

ROBINSON HAS STRONG GAME ON THE BOARDS--Sophomore **Sonja Robinson**, who saw limited action last season after suffering a stress fracture, is crashing the boards for the Gophers this season. **Robinson** had a career-high 10 boards against Western Illinois, including eight on the defensive glass, and recorded six against Iowa State. Against Lithuania/Latvia, **Robinson** pulled down 16 rebounds, only three away from **Angie Iverson's** Sports Pavilion record of 19 set last season against Northwestern.

THE NEWCOMERS SEE A LOT OF PLAYING TIME--**Kiauna Burns** and **Andrea Seago** are having to step into the rotation right away as Minnesota was down to seven players over the weekend with the injury to **Lynda Hass**. Against Western Illinois, **Burns** had five points, including a three pointer, and two rebounds in 27 minutes, while **Seago** recorded four points and five rebounds in 17 minutes. **Burns** was all over the floor against Iowa State as she recorded six points, four rebounds, three steals and three assists in 21 minutes, while **Seago** had four points and two rebounds in 12 minutes.

CAREER-HIGHS--In what will be a trend all season with the limited playing time most of the athletes have had during their careers, many career-highs were set against Western Illinois and Iowa State over the weekend including:

WIU GAME--

- Jaime Ellis**--Steals (3)
- Sarah Klun**--Points (18), Assists (4), Steals (4), Minutes (36)
- Mindy Hansen**--Steals (4-tied), Minutes (33)
- Sonja Robinson**--Points (8); Rebounds (10); Assists (3); Steals (2); Blocks (1-tied); Minutes (27)

IOWA STATE GAME--

- Jaime Ellis**--Points (13)
- Angie Iverson**--Minutes (37)
- Sarah Klun**--Rebounds (5); Assists (4-tied)
- Mindy Hansen**--Minutes (32-tied)
- Sonja Robinson**--Assists (4); Minutes (32)

MINNESOTA ON TV--Today will mark the first of seven appearances on TV for the Gophers this season as MSC will broadcast seven games, including when Minnesota plays Wisconsin January 26, in the Big Ten Game of the Week.

Other games appearing on MSC:

Friday, Dec. 6	Marquette	7 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 30	Michigan	7 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 12	Michigan State	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 19	Northwestern	2 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 16	Indiana	2 p.m.

MINNESOTA SIGNS TWO IN THE EARLY PERIOD--Minnesota has signed **Theresa LeCuyer** of Anoka, Minn., and **Ayesha Whitfield** from Detroit Cass Tech to national letters of intent for the fall of 1997. **LeCuyer** is a 6-1 forward, while **Whitfield** is a point guard.

UP NEXT--Minnesota will travel to Fort Collins, Colo., Tuesday, Dec. 3, to play Colorado State. Game time is 6:30 p.m. (CST). Minnesota then returns home to play Marquette at the Sports Pavilion Friday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. The game will be televised live by MSC.

Volleyball

VOLLEYBALL TEAM CLOSES REGULAR SEASON ON THE ROAD — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 22-9 overall and 13-5 in the Big Ten, takes to the road for its final weekend of regular-season action. The Gophers travel to Ohio State on Friday, Nov. 29, and to Penn State on Saturday, Nov. 30.

GOPHERS LOOK TO PLAY ROLE OF SPOILER — Minnesota is out of the race for the Big Ten title, but the Gophers will have a lot to say in the final awarding of the conference championship. Heading into the final weekend of Big Ten play, three teams remain in contention for the crown — Michigan State, Penn State and Ohio State. Michigan State and Penn State are tied for the lead with 16-2 records, while Ohio State needs some outside help, but still clings to title hopes with a 14-4 record. Minnesota and Wisconsin, deadlocked in fourth with 13-5 records, both visit Penn State and Ohio State this weekend. Michigan State hosts Purdue and Indiana.

NCAA SELECTION AIRED LIVE ON MSC — The bracket for the 1996 NCAA Volleyball Championship will be announced during a selection show, televised live on Midwest Sports Channel, Sunday, Dec. 1 at 5 p.m. The media are invited to attend a selection show party with the Gopher volleyball team in the Williams Arena Club Room Sunday at 4:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Lisa Nelson at 624-9396 if you plan on attending.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— The maroon and gold is led by senior **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MN/BELLE PLAINE)** and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

BIG TEN STANDINGS

(as of Nov. 25)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State	16	2	.889	27	2	.931
Michigan State	16	2	.889	22	6	.786
Ohio State	14	4	.778	25	4	.862
Wisconsin	13	5	.722	23	5	.821
MINNESOTA	13	5	.722	22	9	.710
Illinois	7	11	.389	12	14	.462
Michigan	7	11	.389	12	17	.414
Purdue	5	13	.278	12	18	.400
Iowa	5	13	.278	10	19	.345
Indiana	3	15	.167	9	21	.300
Northwestern	0	18	.000	9	22	.290

This Week in the Big Ten —

Wed., Nov. 27 Iowa at Illinois

Fri., Nov. 29 Minnesota at Ohio State
Purdue at Michigan State
Wisconsin at Penn State
Illinois at Michigan
Indiana at Northwestern

Sat., Nov. 30 Minnesota at Penn State
Indiana at Michigan State
Wisconsin at Ohio State
Iowa at Michigan
Purdue at Northwestern

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

OHIO STATE—The #10 Buckeyes, 13-0 on their home court in St. John's Arena, look to avenge early-season losses to Minnesota and Wisconsin this week. Ohio State only other losses on the season were to Big Ten leaders Michigan State and Penn State. The heart of the Buckeye squad is senior setter **Jen Boleyn** and junior outside hitter **Vanessa Wouters**. Boleyn, a two-time all-Big Ten selection, is averaging 14.96 assists per game in '96. Vanessa Wouters, a native of Westmalle, Belgium, is Boleyn's favorite target leading to 660 kills and the nation's best kills per game average of 6.47. Middle hitter **Sherri Helman** is second on the team with 322 kills, but is tops in attack percentage at .358 and total blocks with 124.

Ohio State head coach **Jim Stone** is in his 15th season with the Buckeyes and owns a 338-142 (.704) record. During the Stone era, the Buckeyes have made seven consecutive trips to the NCAA Tournament and won Big Ten titles in 1989, 1991 and 1994. Like Penn State, Ohio State advanced to the Central Regional of the NCAA Tournament last season. The Buckeyes were eliminated by UCLA.

The Series—Ohio State owns a 22-15 advantage in series play with Minnesota. The Gophers, however, snapped a four-match losing streak with a 3-0 win in Minneapolis earlier this season.

The Last Time Against Ohio State — The Gophers grabbed their first victory over a nationally-ranked opponent in style sweeping #8 Ohio State by scores of 15-12, 15-13, 15-11 in Minneapolis on Sept. 28. Minnesota's passing game clicked as the Buckeyes tallied just one service ace in the match. Meanwhile, the Ohio State offense was hampered by hitting errors which allowed them to hit .173 for the match compared to .240 for the Gophers. **Katrien DeDecker** gathered 25 kills to the lead the way, while **Becky Bauer** contributed 37 assists and **Sarah Pearman** added 14 digs.

PENN STATE—The #4 Lady Lions are in the hunt for their second Big Ten title and first since the 1993 season. Penn State host Wisconsin on Friday night, prior to the Minnesota match on Saturday. The Penn State roster is loaded with talent starting with the 1995 Big Ten Player of the Year **Terri Zemaitis**. **Zemaitis** leads the team offensively and defensively from her middle hitter position with 443 kills (.317 attack percentage) and 176 total blocks. First-year sensation **Lauren Cacchiamani**, a favorite in the running for Big Ten Newcomer of the Year honors, has contributed an outstanding season, leading the team with a .372 attack percentage. **Cacchiamani**, a middle hitter, is second only to **Zemaitis** in kills and blocks with 276 and 136. The Lions hit for an impressive .323 as a team, while their defense has limited opponents to a mere .152 hitting percentage.

Penn State head coach **Russ Rose** is in his 18th season and sports a 582-116 (.834) record with the Lady Lions. The 1992 and 1993 Big Ten Coach of the Year guided his squad to Big Ten championships in the '92 and '93 seasons and to the Central Regional in last year's NCAA Tournament before they were defeated by eventual national champion Nebraska.

The Series — Penn State leads the series with Minnesota by a 11-2 margin. The Lady Lions have won five straight matches over the Gophers, including a 3-0 victory earlier this season.

The Last Time Against Penn State — Minnesota gave #2 ranked Penn State a run for its money but came up short in dropping a three-game match to the Lady Lions by scores of 15-11, 15-3, 15-12 in Minneapolis on Sept. 27. The Gophers led early in the first game taking a 10-4 lead behind five kills by **Katrien DeDecker** but an experienced Penn State squad regrouped, allowing the Gophers just one more point in the game, and eventually captured the victory. Game two was all Penn State as the Lions out-hit the Gophers by a 15 to five kill margin. Minnesota battled but was unable to avoid the sweep losing the deciding game 15-12.

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT— Head coach **Dr. Mike Hebert** has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, **Hebert** led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 594-264 and a .692 winning percentage. While at Illinois, **Hebert** had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten

11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — **Maurice Batie** and **Nao Ikeda** are in their first seasons at Minnesota and third with **Mike Hebert**. Both worked with **Hebert** for two seasons at Illinois.

THE RECORD FALLS — Each time senior outside hitter **Katrien DeDecker** lands a kill, she betters her Minnesota and Big Ten career kill records. **DeDecker**, who became the career kill leader on Nov. 8, in a match against Michigan, now has 2,206 career kills in her career.

DeDECKER SETS SINGLE-SEASON RECORD — Senior **Katrien DeDecker** added the Minnesota single-season kill record to the career record she set earlier this season.

DeDecker's 651 kills this season surpasses the previous Minnesota single-season record of 646 by **Chris Schaefer's** in 1988. **DeDecker's** 1996 mark is currently third-best on the Big Ten list, which is led by Illinois' **Erin Borske's** 714 kills a year ago. Ohio State's **Vanessa Wouters'** count of 660 this season is currently the second-highest Big Ten season total.

ONE OF THE BEST IN NCAA HISTORY — A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, **Katrien DeDecker** is not only aiming at finishing her career as the one of the best players in Minnesota and Big Ten history but in NCAA volleyball history as well. **DeDecker's** 2,206 career kills ranks ninth on the NCAA's career kill list. George Washington's **Svetlana Vtyurina** is the best all-time with 3,043 kills from 1992-95. **DeDecker's** next target is **Becky Howlett** of Cal State Fullerton/Washington State (1990-91 / 1992-93), who is ranked eighth with 2,241 career kills.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota split in action last weekend, winning a three-game match to the last-place team in the Big Ten and losing a three-gamer to the top team in the conference. The Gophers' record stands at 22-9 overall and 13-5 in the Big Ten.

THE NORTHWESTERN MATCH: Minnesota needed just 78 minutes to defeat Northwestern, 3-0. The Gophers cruised to a 15-5, 15-4, 15-9 victory to hand the Wildcats their 27th consecutive Big Ten loss. **Sarah Pearman** led the way for the Gophers tagging a match-high 15 kills, while **Tara Baynes** hit 11 and **Tera Fiamengo** 10. Minnesota hit for an impressive .371 attack percentage as a team, reflecting the solid play of setter **Becky Bauer**. **Bauer** dished out 45 assists in the match and added an offensive assault of her own in contributing nine kills in 12 attempts for a .750 hitting percentage.

THE MICHIGAN STATE MATCH: The Gophers were unable to find the answers to defend a powerful Spartan attack as #9 Michigan State defeated Minnesota 15-4, 15-4, 15-11, in their last outing. MSU overpowered Minnesota out-hitting the Gophers by a 53-35 kill margin. The Spartans also hit .347 as a team compared to .165 for the Gophers. **Katrien DeDecker** was the lone Gopher in double-figure kills with 15.

BAUER SETS HER WAY TO THE TOP — **Becky Bauer** isn't letting **Katrien DeDecker** have all the fun. **Bauer's** season assist total stands at 1,432, the sixth-best season tally in Gopher

history. **Sharon Oesterling** set the standard with 1,725 assists in 1989. **Bauer** owns the second-best mark in school history with 1,641 assists in 1994.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN — **Katrien DeDecker** moved up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. **DeDecker's** 30 kills against Purdue was the 16th time this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has six 30-plus kill matches in her career. **DeDecker** has also hit 10 or more kills in an amazing 108 of her 131 career matches.

PEARMAN'S DIGIN' HER ROLE— Junior outside hitter **Sarah Pearman** was featured on this season's schedule poster digging a volleyball. It's a pose she's struck often this season, leading the Gophers with 403 digs, the fourth-best single-season mark in Minnesota volleyball history.

THE RIGHT STUFF — Middle blocker **Jane Passer** is quietly contributing an outstanding season, leading the Gophers in total blocks and attack percentage. **Passer** owns 132 total blocks in '96. Her 116 assisted blocks is tied for sixth on the single-season honor roll. She is also the Gophers' leading hitter in attack percentage with a career-best .321 mark.

DeDECKER FALLS TO #2 NATIONALLY — After spending most of the season leading the nation in kills per game, **Katrien DeDecker** fell to #2 in the national statistics last week. **DeDecker's** 6.17 kills was second only to Ohio State's **Vanessa Wouters' 6.22** kills per game.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — **Becky Bauer** was also listed among the national statistics, ranked seventh in assists per game at 13.84. As a team, Minnesota was ranked fourth in kills per game (17.79), seventh in assists per game (15.79) and 12th in hitting percentage (.277).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	9-4
Road matches	8-3
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	12-6
In four-game matches	7-2
In five-game matches	3-1
Record winning the first game	18-1
Record winning first two games	14-0
Record losing first game	4-8
Record losing first two games	1-7
Record vs. ranked opponents	2-6

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
 Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
 Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 15 vs. Iowa
 Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State

Block Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
 Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, **Katrien DeDecker** vs. Illinois
 Attempts — 94, **Katrien DeDecker** vs. Iowa
 Attack Pct. — .800, **Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10)** vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 77, **Becky Bauer** vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 7, **Tara Baynes** vs. Iowa
 Digs — 26, **Sarah Pearman** vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 5, **Tara Baynes** vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 9, **Tara Baynes** vs. Iowa

Swimming and Diving

WINTER TRAINING NEXT ON SWIMMING & DIVING AGENDA--The University of Minnesota women's swimming team has a break from competition until Dec. 20, when they take on the University of Hawaii in Hawaii. The team will be in the islands from Dec. 16-24 for their annual training trip. The diving team will train at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center during winter break. They will not have a diving competition during their training period.

KZ CONDUCTS CLINIC IN JAPAN -- KZ Li, Minnesota's head diving coach, travels to Japan to conduct a diving and coaches clinic for the Japanese Diving Federation, Dec. 21-26. Forty divers and 20 coaches are expected to participate.

GOPHERS SPLASH THE COMPETITION AT THE MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL -- The 10th-ranked Gophers easily outpaced the competition at last weekend's Minnesota Invitational at the University Aquatic Center. Minnesota was first with 1,248 points in the field of five Division I teams and was followed by Wisconsin (866), Iowa (586), Iowa State (249) and Florida Atlantic (237). In the Division II portion of the meet, Northern Michigan was first (373) and North Dakota was second (274). On the Division III level, St. Olaf (64) defeated first-year women's swimming and diving team Concordia of Moorhead (26).

SCHUH HAS AUTOMATIC NCAA QUALIFYING TIME -- Senior all-American **TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)** turned in an automatic NCAA qualifying time of 54.86 in the 100-yard butterfly to win the event by nearly two seconds. She becomes the second Minnesota swimmer to qualify for the March 1997 NCAA championships. Schuh was also a member of the winning 200- (1:43.18) and 400-yard medley relay teams (3:46.10) both of which had NCAA consideration times.

HEGENER TIES HER SCHOOL RECORD -- Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)** tied her 1996 school record in the 200-yard breaststroke with a second-place time of 2:16.10. The mark also improves her NCAA consideration time in the event by over one-half second. She was also on the winning 200-yard freestyle relay team (1:35.14) and the 200- (1:43.18) and 400-yard medley relay teams (3:46.10). Both medley relay teams made NCAA consideration times.

MORE GOPHER WINNERS

Frosh **AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY)**

200-yard freestyle relay - 1:35.14

400-yard freestyle relay - 3:28.50 (NCAA consideration time)

Senior **DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)**

200-yard freestyle relay - 1:35.14

Frosh **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)**

200-yard freestyle relay - 1:35.14

400-yard medley relay - 3:46.10 (NCAA consideration time)

200-yard medley relay - 1:43.18 (NCAA consideration time)

800-yard freestyle relay - 7:29.86 (NCAA consideration time)

400-yard freestyle relay - 3:28.50 (NCAA consideration time)

Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)**

500-yard freestyle - 4:50.45 (NCAA consideration time)

400-yard individual medley - 4:21.91 (NCAA consideration)

800-yard freestyle relay - 7:29.86 (NCAA consideration time)

1650-yard freestyle - 16:27.68 (NCAA consideration time)

Senior **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)**

1-meter diving - 428.75 points (NCAA zone diving standard)

3-meter diving - 487.10 points (NCAA zone diving standard)

Senior **CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)**

Platform diving - 325.35 points

Junior **SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA/**

SILVERTHORN/MISSION VIEJO

400-yard medley relay - 3:46.10 (NCAA consideration time)

200-yard medley relay - 1:43.18 (NCAA consideration time)

100-yard backstroke - 58.07

Frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)**

800-yard freestyle relay - 7:29.86 (NCAA consideration time)

400-yard freestyle relay - 3:28.50 (NCAA consideration time)

Senior **ALICIA HICKEN (CAMPBELLVILLE, ON, CANADA/**

SILVERTHORN

800-yard freestyle relay - 7:29.86 (NCAA consideration time)

Frosh **MARTA KNOWLES (DENVER, CO/ST. MARY'S ACADEMY)**

200-yard backstroke - 2:06.61

Senior **JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT)**

200-yard butterfly - 2:02.79 (NCAA consideration time)

Sophomore **KRISSY BERGLUND (SOMERVILLE, NJ)**

400-yard freestyle relay - 3:28.50 (NCAA consideration time)

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 2 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	2/ 2	11/ 22	.500	0/ 0	.000	11/ 15	.733	33	16.5	11	16	27	13.5	5/ 0	2	6	0	1	64		
Sarah Klun	2/ 2	11/ 25	.440	0/ 1	.000	6/ 6	1.000	28	14.0	3	3	6	3.0	7/ 1	8	5	1	5	66		
Jaime Ellis	2/ 2	7/ 17	.412	3/ 11	.273	2/ 2	1.000	19	9.5	0	2	2	1.0	5/ 0	4	4	0	3	69		
Mindy Hansen	2/ 2	7/ 24	.292	2/ 9	.222	3/ 7	.429	19	9.5	2	3	5	2.5	2/ 0	9	10	1	5	65		
Sonja Robinson	2/ 2	5/ 18	.278	0/ 1	.000	2/ 3	.667	12	6.0	5	11	16	8.0	3/ 0	7	9	1	2	59		
Kiauna Burns	2/ 0	5/ 13	.385	1/ 4	.250	0/ 1	.000	11	5.5	0	6	6	3.0	2/ 0	4	7	2	3	48		
Andrea Seago	2/ 0	4/ 8	.500	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	8	4.0	2	5	7	3.5	4/ 0	1	4	1	0	29		
Team Rebounds													15								

Golden Gophers	2/ 2	50/ 127	.394	6/ 26	.231	24/ 34	.706	130	65.0	23	46	84	42.0	28/ 1	35	45	6	19	--
Team Rebounds													8						

Opponent Totals	2/ 2	57/ 139	.410	8/ 27	.296	21/ 27	.778	143	71.5	32	49	89	44.5	31/ 0	22	39	7	25	--
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/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	5.5	11.0	.0	.0	5.5	7.5	16.5	13.5	1.0	3.0	.0	.5	32.0
Sarah Klun	5.5	12.5	.0	.5	3.0	3.0	14.0	3.0	4.0	2.5	.5	2.5	33.0
Jaime Ellis	3.5	8.5	1.5	5.5	1.0	1.0	9.5	1.0	2.0	2.0	.0	1.5	34.5
Mindy Hansen	3.5	12.0	1.0	4.5	1.5	3.5	9.5	2.5	4.5	5.0	.5	2.5	32.5
Sonja Robinson	2.5	9.0	.0	.5	1.0	1.5	6.0	8.0	3.5	4.5	.5	1.0	29.5
Kiauna Burns	2.5	6.5	.5	2.0	.0	.5	5.5	3.0	2.0	3.5	1.0	1.5	24.0
Andrea Seago	2.0	4.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	4.0	3.5	.5	2.0	.5	.0	14.5

Golden Gophers	25.0	63.5	3.0	13.0	12.0	17.0	65.0	42.0	17.5	22.5	3.0	9.5	----
Opponent Totals	28.5	69.5	4.0	13.5	10.5	13.5	71.5	44.5	11.0	19.5	3.5	12.5	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	61	69	0	0	130	2
Opponent Totals	59	84	0	0	143	0

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	0- 2	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	976	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	488
Big Ten	0- 0	HOME	976	HOME AVERAGE	976
Dial Soap Classic	0- 0	AWAY	0	AWAY AVERAGE	0
UNLV Classic	0- 0				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14

* Big Ten I Dial Soap Classic @ UNLV Classic

As of: November 23, 1996
 #9 Michigan State
 31 Matches played
 22 Wins, 9 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	30	78	0	1	2	-.500	2	0	0	7	0	0	84
2	Fiamengo, T.	31	106	240	83	534	.294	59	0	0	19	3	54	176
3	Miller, M.	21	41	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	5	0	3	22
4	McDonell, J.	31	69	57	34	146	.158	4	0	0	11	2	15	89
6	Hebert, H.	28	49	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	4	0	0	30
7	Baynes, T.	27	93	198	77	456	.265	19	0	0	24	19	102	118
8	DeDecker, K.	31	108	651	193	1515	.302	34	0	0	36	20	73	301
9	Passer, J.	31	108	328	100	711	.321	23	0	0	29	16	116	289
10	Pearman, S.	31	107	307	139	805	.209	41	0	0	19	6	37	403
13	Bauer, B.	30	104	121	41	292	.274	1432	0	0	33	8	84	197
14	Shudlick, S.	27	67	0	2	7	-.286	16	0	0	10	0	0	57
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		31	108	1912	672	4489	.276	1698	0	0	197	74	484	1766
TEAM BLOCKS:		316												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	78	0	3	0	17	0.00	0.03	0.09	1.08	0.00	0.26
2	Fiamengo, T.	106	2	1	10	32	2.26	0.56	0.18	1.66	0.54	0.41
3	Miller, M.	41	0	0	1	9	0.24	1.63	0.12	0.54	0.07	0.24
4	McDonell, J.	69	1	9	2	19	0.83	0.06	0.16	1.29	0.25	0.43
6	Hebert, H.	49	0	4	0	5	0.00	0.02	0.08	0.61	0.00	0.18
7	Baynes, T.	93	5	4	11	49	2.13	0.20	0.26	1.27	1.30	0.69
8	DeDecker, K.	108	2	37	5	83	6.03	0.31	0.33	2.79	0.86	1.16
9	Passer, J.	108	2	10	6	35	3.04	0.21	0.27	2.68	1.22	0.47
10	Pearman, S.	107	2	43	4	64	2.87	0.38	0.18	3.77	0.40	1.04
13	Bauer, B.	104	28	0	14	39	1.16	13.77	0.32	1.89	0.88	0.51
14	Shudlick, S.	67	0	1	0	17	0.00	0.24	0.15	0.85	0.00	0.27
0		0	0	3	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		108	42	115	53	369	17.70	15.72	1.82	16.35	2.93	4.97

As of: November 23, 1996
 #9 Michigan State
 18 Matches played
 13 Wins, 5 Losses

CONFERENCE CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

# Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1 Baker, B.	17	39	0	1	2	-.500	0	0	0	1	0	0	34
2 Fiamengo, T.	18	63	161	48	349	.324	36	0	0	13	2	39	119
3 Miller, M.	9	21	2	0	5	.400	15	0	0	2	0	0	5
4 McDonell, J.	18	41	16	13	54	.056	3	0	0	6	0	3	49
6 Hebert, H.	16	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	14
7 Baynes, T.	18	61	137	50	315	.276	13	0	0	17	8	70	74
8 DeDecker, K.	18	63	380	136	955	.255	23	0	0	19	8	46	184
9 Passer, J.	18	63	201	61	451	.310	18	0	0	20	8	69	187
10 Pearman, S.	18	63	175	78	479	.203	29	0	0	10	2	17	256
13 Bauer, B.	18	63	90	28	211	.294	891	0	0	17	4	53	128
14 Shudlick, S.	18	45	0	2	5	-.400	7	0	0	6	0	0	37
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS	18	63	1162	417	2826	.264	1035	0	0	114	32	297	1087
TEAM BLOCKS:	180												

Negatives

Per Game Average

# Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1 Baker, B.	39	0	1	0	9	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.87	0.00	0.26
2 Fiamengo, T.	63	1	0	6	15	2.56	0.57	0.21	1.89	0.65	0.33
3 Miller, M.	21	0	0	0	3	0.10	0.71	0.10	0.24	0.00	0.14
4 McDonell, J.	41	1	4	0	6	0.39	0.07	0.15	1.20	0.07	0.24
6 Hebert, H.	29	0	2	0	5	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.48	0.00	0.24
7 Baynes, T.	61	3	4	8	29	2.25	0.21	0.28	1.21	1.28	0.67
8 DeDecker, K.	63	1	20	2	53	6.03	0.37	0.30	2.92	0.86	1.19
9 Passer, J.	63	1	5	5	23	3.19	0.29	0.32	2.97	1.22	0.52
10 Pearman, S.	63	0	29	2	28	2.78	0.46	0.16	4.06	0.30	0.94
13 Bauer, B.	63	14	0	9	24	1.43	14.14	0.27	2.03	0.90	0.52
14 Shudlick, S.	45	0	1	0	11	0.00	0.16	0.13	0.82	0.00	0.27
0	0	0	2	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS	63	21	68	32	206	18.44	16.43	1.81	17.25	2.86	4.86

**University of Minnesota
1996 Volleyball Season Results**

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Game scores</u>	<u>Location</u>
#10 San Diego State	8/30/96	L 1-3	6-15, 12-15, 15-8, 14-16	San Diego, CA
San Diego	8/31/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 9-15	San Diego, CA
Cal St.-Northridge	8/31/96	W 3-0	15-8, 15-4, 15-13	San Diego, CA
Montana State	9/6/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-13, 15-13	Bozeman, MT
Washington	9/7/96	L 1-3	16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15	Bozeman, MT
Kent State	9/7/96	W 3-1	7-15, 15-6, 15-7, 15-2	Bozeman, MT
#19 Georgia Tech	9/13/96	L 2-3	14-16, 15-9, 15-8, 7-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
Marshall	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-3, 15-12, 15-8	Minneapolis, MN
Arkansas	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-7, 16-14, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Providence	9/20/96	W 3-1	15-7, 14-16, 15-1, 15-4	Chestnut Hill, MS
Dartmouth	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-10, 15-5, 15-5	Chestnut Hill, MS
Bucknell	9/21/96	W 3-0	15-11, 15-4, 15-7	Chestnut Hill, MS
Boston College	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-13, 15-0, 15-2	Chestnut Hill, MS
#2 Penn State *	9/27/96	L 0-3	11-15, 3-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
#8 Ohio State *	9/28/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-13, 15-11	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	10/4/96	W 3-2	14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13	Iowa City, IA
Illinois *	10/5/96	W 3-1	15-8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13	Champaign, IL
#9 Wisconsin *	10/9/96	L 0-3	9-20, 10-19, 10-16	Madison, WI
Michigan *	10/12/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-6, 15-11	Ann Arbor, MI
Indiana *	10/18/96	W 3-1	12-7, 10-11, 16-10, 17-8	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	10/19/96	W 3-1	15-6, 6-15, 15-7, 15-13	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan State *	10/25/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 7-15	East Lansing, MI
Northwestern *	10/26/96	W 3-1	15-7, 15-11, 16-18, 15-6	Evanston, IL
Illinois *	11/1/96	W 3-2	13-15, 15-8, 15-4, 17-19, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	11/2/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-9, 15-4	Minneapolis, MN
#13 Wisconsin *	11/6/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-12, 15-12	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan *	11/8/96	L 0-3	12-15, 7-15, 10-15	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	11/15/96	W 3-1	15-13, 14-16, 15-7, 15-11	West Lafayette, IN
Indiana *	11/16/96	W 3-0	15-9, 15-9, 15-10	Bloomington, IN
Northwestern *	11/22/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-4, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
#9 Michigan State *	11/23/96	L 3-0	4-15, 4-15, 11-15	Minneapolis, MN

* denotes Big Ten match

Record:	Overall	22-9
	Big Ten	13-5

University of Minnesota
1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 4-0 Big Ten: 1-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame			
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State			
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#21 Wisconsin			
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue			
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois			
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	W	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa			
12/20/96	@ Hawaii				2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge			
1/10/97	#20 Kansas				2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite				3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #15 Northwestern				3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)

Jenny Hennen	23.69 •
Amy Cottrill	24.24
Terri Jashinsky	24.34
Devon Coellner	24.49
Heather Miller	24.53

200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)

Marta Knowles	2:05.11
Beth Shimanski	2:09.21
Amy Cottrill	2:10.13
Kimberly Wilson	2:11.81
Kathleen Preston	2:19.42

200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)

1:35.14 – Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen

400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)

3:28.50 – Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Krissy Berglund, Jenny Hennen

100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)

Jenny Hennen	51.41 •
Terri Jashinsky	52.49
Amy Cottrill	52.65 \$
Devon Coellner	53.05
Olga Splichalova	53.11

100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)

Gretchen Hegener	1:02.21 #
Devon Coellner	1:05.66
Kate McMillan	1:06.01
Katie Olson	1:09.97
Jessica Smith	1:08.51

800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)

7:29.86* – Jenny Hennen, Terri Jashinsky, Alicia Hicken, Olga Splichalova

200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)

1:43.18* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)

Jenny Hennen	1:50.11 •
Olga Splichalova	1:50.19 •
Terri Jashinsky	1:52.98
Alicia Hicken	1:53.56
Amy Cottrill	1:55.06

200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:16.10)

Gretchen Hegener	2:16.10 *•
Kate McMillan	2:22.33
Devon Coellner	2:23.22
Michelle Fischer	2:25.48
Jessica Grass	2:25.94

400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)

3:46.10* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)

Olga Splichalova	4:50.45 •
Kimberly Wilson	4:56.98
Jenny Hennen	4:58.75
Alicia Hicken	4:59.68
Jessica Grass	5:01.59

100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)

Tanya Schuh	54.86 •
Terry Jashinsky	56.31 •
Jenny Hennen	57.92
Carrie Raeth	58.58
Jessica Grass	59.64

1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)

Andrea Berg	268.900 %
Carrie Hansen	267.100 %
Jenny Cook	253.725 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	230.620
Andrea Wheeler	173.950

1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)

Andrea Berg	428.750 %
Carrie Hansen	393.200 %
Jenny Cook	351.35
Shelby Evadine Miller	305.00
Andrea Wheeler	213.10

1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68\$)

Olga Splichalova	9:50.10
Kimberly Wilson	10:06.79
Alicia Hicken	10:14.87
Jessica Grass	10:19.90
Jennifer Bloomer	10:48.96

200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)

Jessica Grass	2:02.73 •
Terri Jashinsky	2:03.05 •
Jenny Hennen	2:04.25
Tanya Schuh	2:05.33
Marta Knowles	2:17.45

3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)

Carrie Hansen	291.400 %
Andrea Berg	280.130 %
Jenny Cook	272.625 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	254.550
Andrea Wheeler	183.150

1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)

Olga Splichalova	16:27.68 •
Kimberly Wilson	16:46.66 •
Alicia Hicken	17:06.47
Marta Knowles	17:47.14
Elizabeth Weld	18:08.52

200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)

Jenny Hennen	2:06.46
Jessica Grass	2:07.46
Devon Coellner	2:08.44
Terri Jashinsky	2:08.72
Michelle Fischer	2:12.93

3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)

Andrea Berg	487.10 %
Carrie Hansen	441.60 %
Jenny Cook	430.90 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	352.10
Andrea Wheeler	280.10

100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)

Shona Baillie	58.07
Beth Shimanski	58.21
Marta Knowles	1:00.38
Amy Cottrill	1:01.63
Carrie Raeth	1:02.04

400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)

Olga Splichalova	4:21.91
Jessica Grass	4:22.52
Marta Knowles	4:30.41
Kimberly Wilson	4:31.39

Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)

Carrie Hansen	325.35 %
Jenny Cook	287.10
Andrea Wheeler	264.25

Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

\$Lead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time

•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet †at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record



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December 2, 1996

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, December 3
BKB at Colorado State 6:30 p.m.
(Ft. Collins, Col.)

Wednesday, December 4
VB hosts Central Florida 7 p.m.

Friday, December 6
BKB hosts Marquette * 7 p.m.

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Hegener Named November Athlete of the Month

GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, ND/MAYER LUTERAN) was named Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for November. The junior automatically qualified for the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships in March in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:02.65 and has bettered that mark in every meet this season. She also tied the school record in the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:16.10. Hegener is undefeated in the 100 breaststroke and the 200 medley relay and has three firsts in the 200 breaststroke.

What's Coming Up

- Volleyball hosts Central Florida Wednesday in NCAA Tournament
- DeDecker named all-Big Ten
- Basketball travels to Colorado State, before returning home for game against Marquette on MSC

Last Week's Highlights

- Gullingsrud places 71st at NCAA Championships
- Volleyball defeats Ohio State, loses tough match against Penn State to earn NCAA Tournament berth
- Hansen and Iverson earn all-tournament honors as Minnesota places second at Dial Soap Classic

Volleyball

VOLLEYBALL TEAM HEADS INTO NCAA TOURNAMENT PLAY — The University of Minnesota volleyball team, 23-10 on the season, hosts the University of Central Florida in the first round of the 1996 NCAA Volleyball Championship on Wednesday, Dec. 4.

TOURNEY TIDBITS — Minnesota makes its third NCAA Tournament appearance and first since 1993. Central Florida, 23-12 overall, has made trips to the NCAA's in each of the last two seasons.

WORKING ON A SELL-OUT — Ticket prices for Wednesday's contest are as follows:

- Courtside Reserved \$7
- General Admission
- Adult \$6
- Senior Citizens, U of M Students, Children Age 7-18 \$4
- Children Age 6 and under \$2

MINNESOTA FINISHED FOURTH IN BIG TEN — Minnesota proved to be the surprise of the Big Ten season, finishing in fourth-place behind co-champions Michigan State and Penn State and third-place Ohio State. The Gophers were picked to finish eighth in a pre-season poll of conference coaches.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — The maroon and gold is led by senior **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, who is trying to become the first-ever first-team all-American in Minnesota history during the NCAA volleyball era. The quarterback of the offense is junior setter **BECKY BAUER (BLOOMINGTON, MN/JEFFERSON)**, while middle blockers junior **JANE PASSER (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and sophomore **TARA BAYNES (BELLE PLAINE, MINN/BELLE PLAINE)** and outside hitters senior **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** and junior **SARAH PEARMAN (APPLE VALLEY, MN/APPLE VALLEY)** are other top offensive threats for Minnesota.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	Name	Ht	Yr.	Hometown/High School
S	Becky Bauer	5-11	Jr.	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
OH	Katrien DeDecker	6-2	Sr.	Bredene, Belgium/Royal Atheneum
OH	Sarah Pearman	5-10	Jr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley
OH	Tera Fiamengo	6-0	Sr.	Long Beach, Calif./St. Anthony
MB	Jane Passer	5-11	Jr.	Wells, Minn./United South Central
MB	Tara Baynes	6-1	So.	Belle Plaine, Minn./Belle Plaine

Off the Bench:

DS	Bethany Baker	5-4	Fr.	Spring Valley, Ill./Knoch
DS	Hillary Hebert	5-7	Fr.	Albuquerque, NM/Highlands
MB	Jill McDonell	5-10	So.	Brooklyn Park, Minn./Totino-Grace
S	Michelle Miller	5-9	Sr.	Worth, Ill./Worth
S	Susan Shudlick	5-11	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley

BIG TEN STANDINGS

Final	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State*	18	2	.900	29	2	.935
Michigan State*	18	2	.900	24	6	.800
Ohio State	15	5	.750	26	5	.839
MINNESOTA	14	6	.722	23	10	.697
Wisconsin	13	7	.650	23	7	.767
Michigan	9	11	.450	14	17	.452
Illinois	8	12	.400	13	15	.464
Purdue	6	14	.300	13	19	.406
Iowa	5	15	.250	10	21	.323
Indiana	4	16	.200	10	22	.313
Northwestern	0	20	.000	9	24	.273

* Co-Big Ten champions

The Big Ten in the NCAA's —

- Wed., Dec. 4 NCAA First Round
Central Florida at Minnesota, 7:00 p.m.
Colgate at Wisconsin, 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Dec. 7 Central Florida / Minnesota winner at Long Beach State, 7:30 p.m.
Colgate / Wisconsin winner at George Mason, 3:00 p.m.
Arkansas-Little Rock / Texas A&M winner at Michigan State, 7:00 p.m.
- Sun. Dec. 8 Ohio State at Hofstra / Notre Dame winner, 2:00 p.m.
Coastal Carolina / Georgia Tech winner at Penn State, 2:00 p.m.

ABOUT THE OPPONENT --

CENTRAL FLORIDA --The Golden Knights, the champion of the Trans America Athletic Conference, bring a 23-12 record into NCAA Tournament action. Central Florida comes to Minnesota with a 9-11 record in matches away from its home court this season. Included in that record is a 3-1 loss to Purdue. The Knights have plenty of firepower on offense in the form of outside hitter **Renata Menchikova** and middle blocker **Tyra Harper**. Menchikova, a native of Russia, contributes team-high in kills with 727 and attack percentage at .332. Harper checks in with 512 kills and a .289 attack percentage, while leading the team in total blocks with 165. Senior setter **Elyse Schneider** directs the offense and has tabulated 1,380 assists on the season.

Central Florida head coach **Laura Smith** is in her sixth season with the Golden Knights and sports a record of 160-69 (.699). In addition to leading Central Florida to NCAA appearances in 1994 and 1995, Smith has guided the Golden Knights to TAAC titles in each of the last five seasons.

The Series — Minnesota owns a 4-0 lead in the series with Central Florida. The last time the two teams met was during the 1992 season.

Series results

Minnesota leads Central Florida 4-0

10/9/81 15-5, 15-1, 15-9 at Longhorn Classic, Austin, Texas
 10/8/82 15-5, 11-15, 15-6 at Florida State Tournament
 9/8/84 15-8, 15-3, 15-11 at Central Florida Tournament (semi-final game)
 9/5/92 15-6, 15-10, 15-1 at Crimson Classic (game 3)

MORE ABOUT THE GOPHERS—

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT— Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert has taken over the reigns of the Minnesota volleyball program after serving at Illinois the past 13 seasons. During his tenure at Illinois, Hebert led the orange and blue to 11 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances, seven Mideast Region berths, two NCAA semifinal appearances, four Big Ten titles and two undefeated conference seasons. Currently in his 21st year, the good doctor has an overall record of 595-265 and a .692 winning percentage. While at Illinois, Hebert had a record of 323-127 (.718) and finished in the upper half of the Big Ten 11 consecutive seasons.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES — Maurice Batie and Nao Ikeda are in their first seasons at Minnesota and third with Mike Hebert. Both worked with Hebert for two seasons at Illinois.

THE RECORD FALLS — Each time senior outside hitter Katrien DeDecker lands a kill, she betters her Minnesota and Big Ten career kill records. DeDecker, who became the career kill leader on Nov. 8 in a match against Michigan, now has 2,263 career kills in her career.

DeDECKER SETS SINGLE-SEASON RECORD — Now that senior Katrien DeDecker added the Minnesota single-season kill record to the career record she set earlier this season. DeDecker's 701 kills this season surpasses the previous Minnesota single-season record of 646 by Chris Schaefer in 1988. DeDecker's 1996 mark is currently third-best on the Big Ten list, which is led by Illinois' Erin Borske's 714 kills a year ago. Ohio State's Vanessa Wouters' count of 705 this season is currently the second-highest Big Ten season total.

ONE OF THE BEST IN NCAA HISTORY — A two-time all-Big Ten and all-region player, Katrien DeDecker is not only aiming at finishing her career as the one of the best players in Minnesota and Big Ten history but in NCAA volleyball history as well. DeDecker's 2,263 career kills ranks eighth on the NCAA's career kill list. George Washington's Svetlana Vtyurina is the best all-time with 3,043 kills from 1992-95. DeDecker's next target is Lisa Pikalek of Virginia Tech (1989-92), who is ranked seventh with 2,270 career kills.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota closed its regular season with an exciting win at #10 Ohio State and a tough loss at #4 ranked Penn State and enters the NCAA Tournament with a 23-10 overall record.

THE OHIO STATE MATCH: Behind 26 kills from Katrien DeDecker, Minnesota captured their second victory of the season over #10 Ohio State. The Gophers invaded Columbus and handed the Buckeyes a 15-12, 8-15, 15-4, 15-1 defeat. DeDecker hit .365 in the match, while collecting another double-double on the season with 10 digs. Jane Passer added 12 kills and hit .409, while Tera Fiamengo tallied nine kills in an impressive .533 attack percentage.

THE PENN STATE MATCH: The Gophers gave the #4 ranked Lions a run for their money but came up short in dropping an 11-15, 15-7, 15-8, 15-3 match at Penn State. Four Gophers finished in double-digit kills but it was not enough to overcome a dominating Penn State defense which out-blocked Minnesota by a 21-10 margin. Katrien DeDecker smashed 24 kills to lead the way for the Gophers. Sarah Pearman added 17, while Jane Passer chipped in 14 and Tera Fiamengo 10. Minnesota hit .181 as a team, compared to .307 for the Lady Lions.

BAUER SETS HER WAY TO THE TOP — Becky Bauer isn't letting Katrien DeDecker have all the fun. Bauer's season assist total stands at 1,552, the fourth-best season tally in Gopher history. Sharon Oesterling set the standard with 1,725 assists in 1989. Bauer owns the second-best mark in school history with 1,641 assists in 1994.

THE GOPHERS' BIG GUN — Katrien DeDecker moved up the all-time kills list in big chunks, usually 20 or more kills at a time. DeDecker's 26 kills against Ohio State and 24 kills versus Penn State were the 17th and 18th time this season the senior outside hitter has landed 20 or more kills in a match. She has six 30-plus kill matches in her career. DeDecker has also hit 10 or more kills in an amazing 110 of her 133 career matches.

PEARMAN'S DIGIN' HER ROLE — Junior outside hitter Sarah Pearman was featured on this season's schedule poster digging a volleyball. It's a pose she's struck often this season, leading the Gophers with 425 digs, the third-best single-season mark in Minnesota volleyball history.

THE RIGHT STUFF — Middle blocker Jane Passer is quietly contributing an outstanding season, leading the Gophers in total blocks and attack percentage. Passer owns 136 total blocks in '96. Her 119 assisted blocks is sixth on the single-season honor roll. She is also the Gophers' leading hitter in attack percentage with a career-best .318 mark.

DeDECKER FALLS TO #2 NATIONALLY — After spending most of the season leading the nation in kills per game, Katrien DeDecker fell to #2 in the national statistics last week. DeDecker's 6.17 kills was second only to Ohio State's Vanessa Wouters' 6.22 kills per game.

MORE NATIONAL NUMBERS — Becky Bauer was also listed among the national statistics, ranked seventh in assists per game at 13.84. As a team, Minnesota was ranked fourth in kills per game (17.79), seventh in assists per game (15.79) and 12th in hitting percentage (.277).

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS

Home matches	9-4
Road matches	9-4
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	12-6
In four-game matches	8-3
In five-game matches	3-1
Record winning the first game	19-2
Record winning first two games	14-0
Record losing first game	4-8
Record losing first two games	1-7
Record vs. ranked opponents	3-7

TEAM SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 15 vs. Iowa
Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
Block Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS

Kills — 34, Katrien DeDecker vs. Illinois
Attempts — 94, Katrien DeDecker vs. Iowa
Attack Pct. — .800, Tera Fiamengo (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
Assists — 77, Becky Bauer vs. Iowa
Service Aces — 7, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa
Digs — 26, Sarah Pearman vs. Georgia Tech
Block Solos — 5, Tara Baynes vs. Kent State
Block Assists — 9, Tara Baynes vs. Iowa

Home Attendance Records

All matches at Williams Arena except where noted

1.	6046	vs. Purdue	9/28/90
2.	6002	vs. Notre Dame*	12/10/93
3.	5011	vs. Ohio State	11/11/89
4.	4969	vs. Colorado*	12/2/89
5.	3869	vs. Michigan State	11/10/90
6.	3514	vs. Illinois%#	11/1/96
7.	2766	vs. Northwestern%	11/22/96
8.	2719	vs. Illinois	10/30/92
9.	2569	vs. Michigan State%	11/23/96
10.	2541	vs. Purdue	10/22/93

*NCAA tournament

%Match played at Sports Pavilion

#Sports Pavilion record

***Minnesota hosted the championship game of the NCAA tournament between Texas and Hawaii in 1988; attendance was 9,107



GOPHER REWIND — Sophomore ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) competed at the NCAA Women's Cross Country Championships in Tucson, Ariz., on Monday, Nov. 25. Gullingsrud's time of 18:50 earned her 71st place overall.

Stanford was the team winner with 101 points. Former Minnesota runner Beth Alford-Sullivan, who is now the coach at Stanford, was named Coach of the Year. Alford-Sullivan competed for current Minnesota coach Gary Wilson at both Wisconsin-LaCrosse and Minnesota.

MORE ABOUT ANNA — Anna Gullingsrud was named Big Ten Cross Country Athlete of the Month in September. In her first race as a Gopher, Gullingsrud ran the fastest time ever by a Minnesota runner on the Les Bolstad Cross Country Course in finishing first at the Minnesota Triangular against nationally-ranked Arkansas and Drake. Gullingsrud's time of 17:24 was the 24th-fastest time ever run in Minnesota history.

Two weeks later at the prestigious Roy Griak Invitational, Gullingsrud placed fifth among the nation's best runners as 12 of the top 25 teams, including #1-ranked Providence, were in the meet. Gullingsrud shattered her own Minnesota record on the Les Bolstad Course with a time of 16:50. It was the third-fastest time run by a Minnesota runner in the history of the program and the fastest time ever posted by a sophomore runner in Gopher history.

THOMPSON NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-BIG TEN — Kari Thompson was named second-team all-Big Ten after the Big Ten Championships. It was the first time that Thompson, who placed 14th, was given the award.

Basketball

MINNESOTA SET TO PLAY COLORADO STATE AND MARQUETTE-- Minnesota, 1-3 after placing second in the Dial Soap Basketball Classic with a victory over Wyoming and a loss to James Madison, travels to Ft. Collins, Col., to play Colorado State on Tuesday, Dec. 3. Game time is 6:30 p.m. (CST). Minnesota then returns home to play Marquette on Friday in a game televised live by Midwest Sports Channel with **Ryan Lefebvre** and **Lea Bergin-Olsen** calling the action. Game time is 7 p.m.

THIS WEEK'S PRACTICE SCHEDULE--Minnesota holds all of its practices at the Sports Pavilion, unless otherwise noted. The Sports Pavilion is locked after 5 p.m. and special arrangements need to be made with **Lisa Nelson** at 624-9396 for entry into the arena.

Tuesday, Dec. 3--Game at Colorado State, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 4--Practice 3-5 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 5--Practice 12:30-3 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 6--Game vs. Marquette, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 7--OFF

Sunday, Dec. 8--Practice 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 9--Practice 7-9:30 p.m.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota features two juniors and three sophomores in the probable starting lineup. Juniors **Jaime Ellis** and **Angie Iverson** have the most experience in the starting lineup for Minnesota, starting 30 and 22 games, respectively. **Sarah Klun** and **Sonja Robinson** made only their fourth collegiate starts against James Madison. The probable starting lineup:

G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Phoenix, Ariz./Chaparral

The Reserves

F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota returns six players, in addition to two first-year athletes and three walk-ons in 1996-97. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **Angie Iverson**. Iverson was the top rebounder for the Gophers in 1996, and ranked fifth in the Big Ten Conference at nine boards a game. Iverson leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 13 points and 12 boards a game. Also back for Minnesota is junior point guard **Jaime Ellis**, who was 11th in the Big Ten in assists per game at 3.1 last season. Add that to **Sarah Klun**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season, and a talented sophomore crew of **Mindy Hansen**, **Lynda Hass** and **Sonja Robinson**, and the Gophers have the basis for an

upper-division finish. Hansen is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11 points a game, while Robinson is at 9.5 points and 8.0 assists a game. Both Hass and Klun are averaging 8.5 points a game.

Minnesota also adds two newcomers to the roster this season in **Kiauna Burns** and **Andrea Seago**. Burns, an all-state player, is a 5-7 lightning quick guard who plays both the one and the two. Burns has seen action in all four games and is averaging 24 minutes a contest. Seago, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster and is the first player from the Northern Sun Conference to play in the Big Ten. Seago is averaging 11.8 minutes a game.

GOPHERS ADD THREE WALK-ONS--Minnesota added three walk-ons to the roster this week in **SY NONGINTHIRATH** (EDGERTON, MN/SOUTHWEST CHRISTIAN/DORDT COLLEGE), **MARGARET BLOM** (MILWAUKEE, WI/RUFUS KING) and **TERESA O'HEARN** (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA). Nonginthirath is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. Blom is a 6-1 first-year center, while O'Hearn, who was the keeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. O'Hearn is a 6-0 forward and is waiting to receive her certificate of eligibility before she is eligible.

THE HEAD COACH--**Linda Hill-MacDonald** enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 65-105 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994, and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, Hill-MacDonald has a record of 229-235 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are **Tréka McMillian**, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint** moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. Pearson was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

THE OPPONENTS--COLORADO STATE--Colorado State is 3-1 on the season after defeating Washington State, Cal State Sacramento and Davidson, while losing to Eastern Washington. CSU head coach **Greg Williams** has a 90-82 record in his seventh season. Last year, the Rams finished 26-5 and won the WAC Conference advancing to the second round of the NCAA Tournament before losing to Stanford, 94-63.

CSU is led by **Katie Cronin**, who is averaging 20.8 points and 7.3 rebounds a game, and **Becky Hammon**, who is at 17 points and 3.5 rebounds. **Jacque Johnson**, a newcomer to the program, is averaging 13.8 points and one rebound a game.

THE SERIES--This is the first meeting between the two

schools.

MARQUETTE--The Golden Eagles are 2-3 and play UW-Milwaukee Tuesday night. Marquette has beat Cansius and Nicholls State. Marquette head coach Terri Mitchell is in her first season as the head coach after serving as the top assistant for the past five years. MU is led by power forward Clare Barnard, who is averaging 15.2 points and 7.8 rebounds a game. Ayesha Rembert, a newcomer, is averaging almost 10 points a game.

THE SERIES--Minnesota leads the series 4-2 including a victory in each of the last two seasons. Minnesota won 80-73 last year at the MECCA in Milwaukee.

GOPHER REWIND--JAMES MADISON--Minnesota lost to the Dukes in championship of the Dial Soap Classic, 64-58. Minnesota struggled with turnovers, committing 30, and shot only 40 percent. The Gophers were led by Sonja Robinson posting her first career double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Mindy Hansen scored 11 points for Minnesota, while Jaime Ellis recorded a career-high eight assists.

WYOMING--Minnesota ended a 19-game losing streak with a 68-66 victory over Wyoming in the first round of the Dial Soap Basketball Classic at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota shot only 39 percent for the game and was outrebounded 53-46, but it did not matter as Minnesota went to the free throw line 37 times, connecting on 21 free throws, compared to only 16 attempts for the Cowgirls.

Minnesota once again had a balanced scoring attack as four players finished in double figures including Mindy Hansen, who had a team-high 14 points. She also had five rebounds and dished out six assists. Angie Iverson had her third double-double of the season with 12 points and 14 rebounds, while Sonja Robinson connected for a career-high 12 points and Kiauna Burns had her first game in double figures with a career-high 10 points for the Gophers. Sophomore Lynda Hass, playing her first game since having an appendectomy only nine days earlier, had a strong game with a career-high nine points and eight rebounds, including six on the offensive glass.

IVERSON AND HANSEN NAMED TO THE ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM--Angie Iverson and Mindy Hansen were named to the all-tournament team at the Dial Soap Basketball Classic. For the tournament, Iverson averaged 8.5 points and 10.5 rebounds, while Hansen had 12.5 points and 3.5 assists. It was the first time in either player's career to be named to an all-tournament team.

INJURY REPORT--The Gophers lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries. All-Big Ten honorable mention center Cheri Stafford is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Point guard Swantreca Taylor will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. Taylor was the backup to Jaime Ellis last season and averaged 2.2 points

and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

Forward Sarah Schieber was the latest Gophers casualty as she tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. Schieber will have surgery in December and is lost for the season.

TEAM NOTES--On the season, statistics do not tell the whole story as the Gophers have been ahead in the second half in all four games this season and leading at halftime in three of the contests despite posting a 1-3 record. Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field shooting only 39 percent, including only 26 percent from three-point land. Minnesota has also been outrebounded 45-42 and has averaged over 23 turnovers a game.

MINNESOTA BY THE NUMBERS--

Leading at the half--1-2

Losing at the half--0-1

Shooting over 50%--0-0

Shooting under 50%--1-3

20 or more turnovers--0-2

Less than 20 turnovers--1-1

By the Month

November--1-2

December--0-1

By the Day of the Week--

Friday--0-1

Sunday--0-2

Saturday--1-0

IVERSON GETS THAT ELUSIVE DOUBLE-DOUBLE--

Angie Iverson has posted three double-doubles in four games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 13 points and 12 rebounds a game. Iverson now has nine double-doubles in her career. Iverson, who was in foul trouble much of the evening, scored 16 points and 10 rebounds against the WIU. She followed that performance with 17 points and 17 rebounds against ISU. Against Wyoming, Iverson finished with 12 points and 14 rebounds. Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles, but missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

KLUN GLAD TO BE BACK--Sophomore Sarah Klun, who missed last season with a torn ACL, made an impressive return to the floor as she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes against Western Illinois. Against Iowa State, Klun had 10 points, five rebounds and four assists in 30 minutes before fouling out. She is currently fourth on the team in scoring at 8.5 points a game and fourth on the team in assists with 10. Klun played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

ROBINSON RECORDS FIRST DOUBLE-DOUBLE--

Sophomore Sonja Robinson, who saw limited action last season after suffering a stress fracture, had her first career double-double against James Madison with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Robinson has been crashing the boards the entire season. Robinson had 10 boards against Western Illinois, including eight on the defensive glass, and recorded six against Iowa State. Against Lithuania/Latvia, Robinson pulled down 16 rebounds, only three away from Angie Iverson's Sports Pavilion record of 19 set last season against Northwestern. On the season, Robinson is second on the team in rebounding, averaging eight boards and 9.5 points a game.

HASS MAKES IMPRESSIVE RETURN--Sophomore Lynda Hass, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, made an impressive return to the floor as she had nine points and eight rebounds in 24 minutes, all career-highs, against Wyoming, and then had eight points and five rebounds against JMU. Hass, who only played in 13 games as a first-year athlete due to a stress fracture, averaged only 1.4 points and two rebounds a game last year.

THE NEWCOMERS SEE A LOT OF PLAYING TIME--Kiauna Burns and Andrea Seago are having to step into the rotation right away and making the most of it. Against Western Illinois, Burns had five points, including a three pointer, and two rebounds in 27 minutes, while Seago recorded four points and five rebounds in 17 minutes. Burns was all over the floor against Iowa State as she recorded six points, four rebounds, three steals and three assists in 21 minutes, while Seago had four points and two rebounds in 12 minutes. Versus Wyoming, Burns was once again a force as she had a career-high 10 points, while recording three rebounds, two assists and three steals in 27 minutes.

CAREER-HIGHS--In what will be a trend all season with the limited playing time most of the athletes have had during their careers, many career-highs were set in the first three games, including:

WIU GAME--

Jaime Ellis--Steals (3)
Sarah Klun--Points (18), Assists (4), Steals (4), Minutes (36)
Mindy Hansen--Steals (4-tied), Minutes (33)
Sonja Robinson--Points (8); Rebounds (10); Assists (3); Steals (2); Blocks (1-tied); Minutes (27)

IOWA STATE GAME--

Angie Iverson--Minutes (37)
Sarah Klun--Rebounds (5); Assists (4-tied)
Sonja Robinson--Assists (4); Minutes (32)

WYOMING GAME--

Angie Iverson--Blocks (1--tied)
Mindy Hansen--Rebounds (5--tied); Minutes (37)
Lynda Hass--Points (9); Rebounds (8); Blocks (2); Minutes (27)
Sonja Robinson--Points (12); Blocks (1-tied)

JAMES MADISON GAME--

Sonja Robinson--Points (14), Rebounds (11)

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will make seven appearances on MSC this season, including when the Gophers play Wisconsin January 26, in the Big Ten Game of the Week.

Other games appearing on MSC:

Friday, Dec. 6	Marquette	7 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 30	Michigan	7 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 12	Michigan State	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 19	Northwestern	2 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 16	Indiana	2 p.m.

MINNESOTA SIGNS TWO IN THE EARLY PERIOD--

Minnesota has signed Theresa LeCuyer of Anoka, Minn., and Ayesha Whitfield from Detroit Cass Tech to national letters of intent for the fall of 1997. LeCuyer is a 6-1 forward, while Whitfield is a point guard.

UP NEXT--Minnesota will take the next week off for finals before traveling to Green Bay, Wis., Sunday, Dec. 15, to play Wisconsin-Green Bay at 4 p.m. Minnesota then travels to Las Vegas, Nev., for the Lady Rebel Classic Dec. 19-20. Minnesota plays nationally-ranked Stephen F. Austin in the first round.

As of: November 30, 1996
 #4 Penn State
 33 Matches played
 23 Wins, 10 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

# Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1 Baker, B.	32	84	0	1	2	-.500	2	0	0	8	0	0	87
2 Fiamengo, T.	33	114	259	88	582	.294	61	0	0	23	4	60	186
3 Miller, M.	21	41	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	5	0	3	22
4 McDonell, J.	33	74	59	39	161	.124	5	0	0	12	2	16	96
6 Hebert, H.	30	56	0	1	3	-.333	1	0	0	4	0	0	38
7 Baynes, T.	28	97	206	80	472	.267	19	0	0	24	19	109	123
8 DeDecker, K.	33	116	701	208	1627	.303	39	0	0	39	22	79	323
9 Passer, J.	33	116	354	109	771	.318	24	0	0	33	17	119	311
10 Pearman, S.	33	115	331	156	882	.198	44	0	0	21	8	38	425
13 Bauer, B.	32	112	131	43	313	.281	1552	0	0	34	9	89	215
14 Shudlick, S.	29	74	0	2	7	-.286	17	0	0	10	0	0	60
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS	33	116	2051	728	4838	.273	1831	0	0	213	81	513	1886
TEAM BLOCKS:	337												

Negatives

Per Game Average

# Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1 Baker, B.	84	0	3	0	21	0.00	0.02	0.10	1.04	0.00	0.29
2 Fiamengo, T.	114	2	1	12	35	2.27	0.54	0.20	1.63	0.56	0.42
3 Miller, M.	41	0	0	1	9	0.24	1.63	0.12	0.54	0.07	0.24
4 McDonell, J.	74	2	9	2	21	0.80	0.07	0.16	1.30	0.24	0.43
6 Hebert, H.	56	0	4	0	5	0.00	0.02	0.07	0.68	0.00	0.16
7 Baynes, T.	97	5	4	11	53	2.12	0.20	0.25	1.27	1.32	0.70
8 DeDecker, K.	116	2	39	5	85	6.04	0.34	0.34	2.78	0.87	1.11
9 Passer, J.	116	3	10	7	37	3.05	0.21	0.28	2.68	1.17	0.47
10 Pearman, S.	115	3	47	4	68	2.88	0.38	0.18	3.70	0.40	1.03
13 Bauer, B.	112	30	0	14	43	1.17	13.86	0.30	1.92	0.88	0.51
14 Shudlick, S.	74	0	1	0	19	0.00	0.23	0.14	0.81	0.00	0.27
0	0	0	3	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS	116	47	121	56	396	17.68	15.78	1.84	16.26	2.91	4.94

University of Minnesota
1996 Volleyball Season Results

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Game scores</u>	<u>Location</u>
#10 San Diego State	8/30/96	L 1-3	6-15, 12-15, 15-8, 14-16	San Diego, CA
San Diego	8/31/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 9-15	San Diego, CA
Cal St.-Northridge	8/31/96	W 3-0	15-8, 15-4, 15-13	San Diego, CA
Montana State	9/6/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-13, 15-13	Bozeman, MT
Washington	9/7/96	L 1-3	16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15	Bozeman, MT
Kent State	9/7/96	W 3-1	7-15, 15-6, 15-7, 15-2	Bozeman, MT
#19 Georgia Tech	9/13/96	L 2-3	14-16, 15-9, 15-8, 7-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
Marshall	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-3, 15-12, 15-8	Minneapolis, MN
Arkansas	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-7, 16-14, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Providence	9/20/96	W 3-1	15-7, 14-16, 15-1, 15-4	Chestnut Hill, MS
Dartmouth	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-10, 15-5, 15-5	Chestnut Hill, MS
Bucknell	9/21/96	W 3-0	15-11, 15-4, 15-7	Chestnut Hill, MS
Boston College	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-13, 15-0, 15-2	Chestnut Hill, MS
#2 Penn State *	9/27/96	L 0-3	11-15, 3-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
#8 Ohio State *	9/28/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-13, 15-11	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	10/4/96	W 3-2	14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13	Iowa City, IA
Illinois *	10/5/96	W 3-1	15-8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13	Champaign, IL
#9 Wisconsin *	10/9/96	L 0-3	9-20, 10-19, 10-16	Madison, WI
Michigan *	10/12/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-6, 15-11	Ann Arbor, MI
Indiana *	10/18/96	W 3-1	12-7, 10-11, 16-10, 17-8	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	10/19/96	W 3-1	15-6, 6-15, 15-7, 15-13	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan State *	10/25/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 7-15	East Lansing, MI
Northwestern *	10/26/96	W 3-1	15-7, 15-11, 16-18, 15-6	Evanston, IL
Illinois *	11/1/96	W 3-2	13-15, 15-8, 15-4, 17-19, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	11/2/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-9, 15-4	Minneapolis, MN
#13 Wisconsin *	11/6/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-12, 15-12	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan *	11/8/96	L 0-3	12-15, 7-15, 10-15	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	11/15/96	W 3-1	15-13, 14-16, 15-7, 15-11	West Lafayette, IN
Indiana *	11/16/96	W 3-0	15-9, 15-9, 15-10	Bloomington, IN
Northwestern *	11/22/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-4, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
#9 Michigan State *	11/23/96	L 3-0	4-15, 4-15, 11-15	Minneapolis, MN
#10 Ohio State	11/29/96	W, 3-1	15-12, 8-15, 15-4, 15-1	Columbus, OH
#4 Penn State	11/30/96	L, 1-3	11-15, 15-7, 15-8, 15-3	State Park, PA

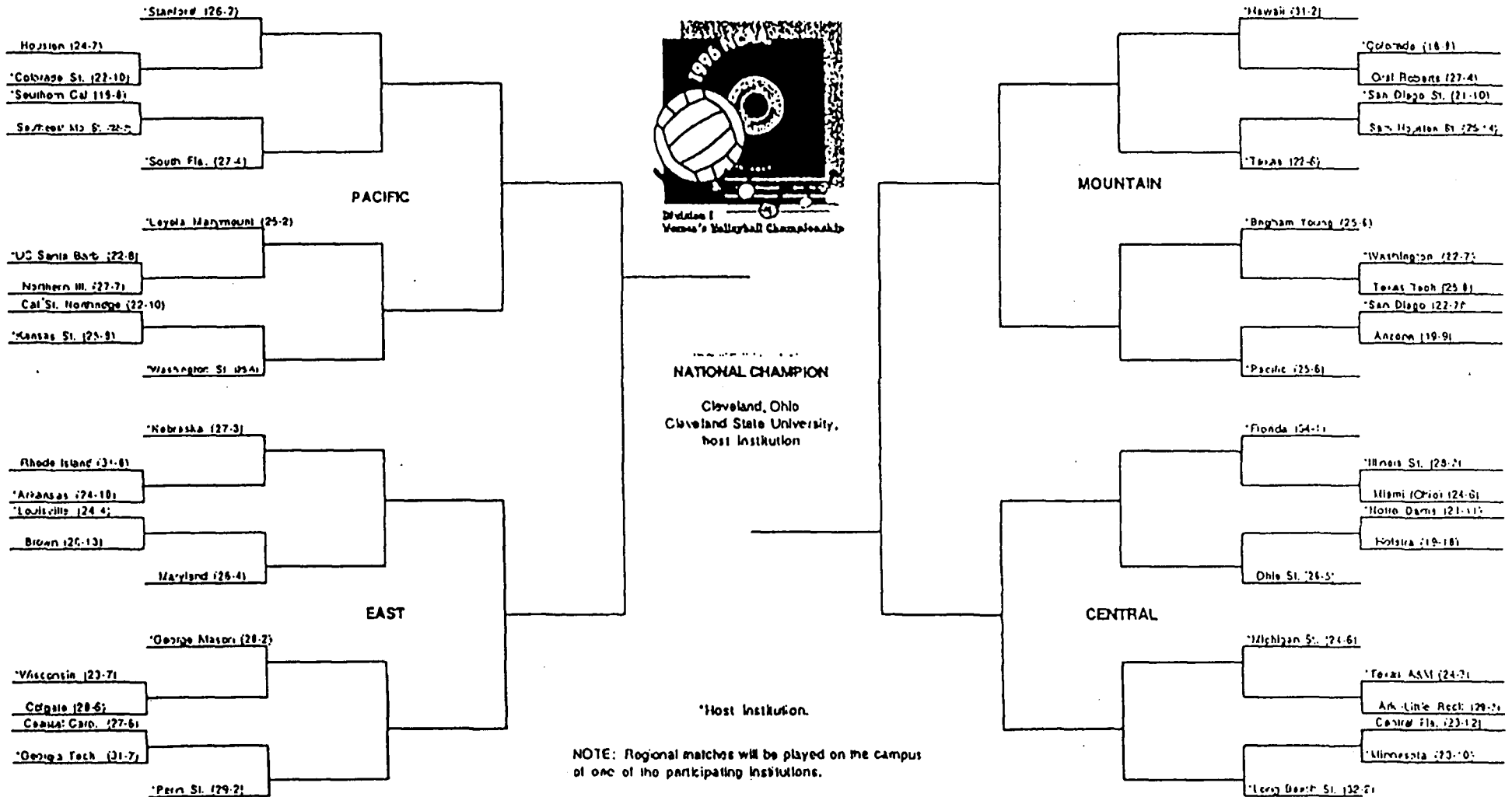
* denotes Big Ten match

Record:	Overall	23-10
	Big Ten	14-6



1996 National Collegiate Division I Women's VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

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MINNESOTA CUMULATIVE STATS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 4 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/	FGA	FG%	FG/	FGA	FG%					REB	REB	REB							
Angie Iverson	4/ 4	15/	36	.417	0/ 0	.000	22/ 30	.733	52	13.0	17	31	48	12.0	11/ 0	3	10	1	2	130	
Mindy Hansen	4/ 4	18/	48	.375	3/ 12	.250	5/ 14	.357	44	11.0	2	11	13	3.3	4/ 0	16	22	2	7	136	
Sonja Robinson	4/ 4	15/	42	.357	0/ 1	.000	8/ 14	.571	38	9.5	13	19	32	8.0	12/ 1	10	17	2	4	114	
Lynda Hass	2/ 0	5/ 16	.313	0/ 1	.000	7/ 9	.778	17	8.5	8	5	13	6.5	1/ 0	2	2	2	1	47		
Sarah Klun	4/ 4	13/ 34	.382	0/ 2	.000	8/ 8	1.000	34	8.5	3	6	9	2.3	12/ 1	11	12	1	8	103		
Jaime Ellis	4/ 4	12/ 27	.445	6/ 19	.316	4/ 6	.667	34	8.5	0	4	4	1.0	12/ 0	13	9	0	4	126		
Kiauna Burns	4/ 0	10/ 24	.417	2/ 7	.286	3/ 8	.375	25	6.3	1	8	9	2.3	4/ 0	7	14	2	7	97		
Andrea Seago	4/ 0	5/ 9	.556	0/ 0	.000	0/ 1	.000	10	2.5	2	7	9	2.3	6/ 0	1	6	4	0	47		
Team Rebounds													33								

Golden Gophers	4/ 4	93/ 236	.394	11/ 42	.262	57/ 90	.633	254	63.5	46	91	170	42.5	62/ 2	63	92	14	33	--		
Team Rebounds													26								

Opponent Totals	4/ 4	109/ 276	.395	12/ 47	.255	43/ 64	.672	273	68.3	63	92	181	45.3	83/ 4	63	83	14	47	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	3.8	9.0	.0	.0	5.5	7.5	13.0	12.0	.8	2.5	.3	.5	32.5
Mindy Hansen	4.5	12.0	.8	3.0	1.3	3.5	11.0	3.3	4.0	5.5	.5	1.8	34.0
Sonja Robinson	3.8	10.5	.0	.3	2.0	3.5	9.5	8.0	2.5	4.3	.5	1.0	28.5
Lynda Hass	2.5	8.0	.0	.5	3.5	4.5	8.5	6.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	.5	23.5
Sarah Klun	3.3	8.5	.0	.5	2.0	2.0	8.5	2.3	2.8	3.0	.3	2.0	25.8
Jaime Ellis	3.0	6.8	1.5	4.8	1.0	1.5	8.5	1.0	3.3	2.3	.0	1.0	31.5
Kiauna Burns	2.5	6.0	.5	1.8	.8	2.0	6.3	2.3	1.8	3.5	.5	1.8	24.3
Andrea Seago	1.3	2.3	.0	.0	.0	.3	2.5	2.3	.3	1.5	1.0	.0	11.8

Golden Gophers	23.3	59.0	2.8	10.5	14.3	22.5	63.5	42.5	15.8	23.0	3.5	8.3	----
Opponent Totals	27.3	69.0	3.0	11.8	10.8	16.0	68.3	45.3	15.8	20.8	3.5	11.8	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	121	133	0	0	254	7
Opponent Totals	117	156	0	0	273	6

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	1- 3	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	3545	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	886
Big Ten	0- 0	HOME	3545	HOME AVERAGE	1182
Dial Soap Classic	1- 1	AWAY	0	AWAY AVERAGE	0
UNLV Classic	0- 0				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	!Wyoming	68- 66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	!James Madison	56- 64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9

* Big Ten ! Dial Soap Classic @ UNLV Classic

1996 VOLLEYBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM

Val Sterk, MH, Michigan State*
Katrien DeDecker, OH, Minnesota*
Vanessa Wouters, OH, Ohio State*
Terri Zemaitis, MH, Penn State*
Jenna Wrobel, OH, Michigan State
Bonnie Bremner, S, Penn State
Dana Cooke, MH, Michigan State

* unanimous selection

Lauren Cacciamari, MH, Penn State
Angie Kammer, OH, Penn State
Laura Abbinante, S, Wisconsin
Brooke White, OH, Purdue (tie)
Heather Dodaro, MH, Wisconsin (tie)
Kelly Scherr, OH, Illinois (tie)
Sherri Helman, OH, Ohio State (tie)

Honorable Mention: Mary Coleman, Illinois; Jennifer Webb, Iowa; Sarah Jackson, Michigan; Veronica Morales, Michigan State; Jen Boleyn, Ohio State.

Player of the Year

Vanessa Wouters, Ohio State

Freshman of the Year

Bonnie Bremner, Penn State

Coach of the Year

(coaches' and media selection)

Russ Rose, Penn State



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, December 11
BKB at Wis.-Green Bay 4 p.m.
(Green Bay, Wis.)

What's Coming Up

- Basketball plays at Wisconsin-Green Bay Sunday

Last Week's Highlights

- Minnesota loses in second round of NCAA's
- DeDecker named all-Big Ten
- Iverson breaks Minnesota rebound record

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Basketball

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY-- Minnesota, 1-5 after losing to Colorado State and Marquette last week, travels to Wisconsin-Green Bay for a tilt Sunday, Dec. 15. Game time is 4 p.m. Wisconsin-Green Bay is 1-3 on the season defeating only Alcorn State, 58-48. Green Bay has suffered losses to Tennessee, DePaul and Wisconsin.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE--Due to finals, Minnesota is practicing at some odd hours this week. All practice are at the Sports Pavilion. Players and coaches are available for interviews after practice. Please contact Lisa Nelson, Sports Information Director, for interviews.

Monday, Dec. 9	6-8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 10	12:30-3 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 11	12:30-3 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 12	10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. 2 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 13	10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 14	10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Leave for Green Bay
Sunday, Dec. 15	Game vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay, 4p.m.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota features two juniors and three sophomores in the probable starting lineup. Juniors Jaime Ellis and Angie Iverson have the most experience in the starting lineup for Minnesota, starting 32 and 24 games, respectively. Sarah Klun and Sonja Robinson made only their sixth collegiate starts against Marquette. The probable starting lineup:

G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Phoenix, Ariz./Chaparral

The Reserves

F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota returns six players, in addition to two first-year athletes and three walk-ons in 1996-97. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward Angie Iverson. Iverson was the top rebounder for the Gophers in 1996, and ranked fifth in the Big Ten Conference at nine boards a game. Iverson leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 13.2 points and 14.2 boards a game. Also back for Minnesota is junior point guard Jaime Ellis, who is averaging 4.0 assists a game this season. Add that to Sarah Klun, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season, and a talented sophomore crew of Mindy Hansen, Lynda Hass and Sonja

Robinson, and the Gophers have the basis for an upper-division finish. Hansen is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11.2 points a game, while Hass is at 9.5 points and Klun is at 9.0 a game.

Minnesota also adds two newcomers to the roster this season in Kiauna Burns and Andrea Seago. Burns, an all-state player, is a 5-7 lightning quick guard who plays both the one and the two. Burns has seen action in all six games and is averaging 23 minutes a contest. Seago, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster and is the first player from the Northern Sun Conference to play in the Big Ten. Seago is averaging 11.7 minutes a game.

GOPHERS ADD THREE WALK-ONS--Minnesota added three walk-ons to the roster in Sy Nonginthirath, Margaret Blom and Teresa O'Hearn. Nonginthirath is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. Blom is a 6-1 first-year center, while O'Hearn, who was the keeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. O'Hearn is a 6-0 forward. None of the walk-ons have seen action thus far for the maroon and gold.

THE HEAD COACH--Linda Hill-MacDonald enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 63-107 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994, and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American Carol Ann Shudlick. For her career, Hill-MacDonald has a record of 229-237 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS:--Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are Tréka McMillian, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player Crystal Flint moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season and Cara Pearson, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. Pearson was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT--The Gophers lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries. All-Big Ten honorable mention center Cheri Stafford is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Point guard Swantreca Taylor will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. Taylor was the backup to Jaime Ellis last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

Forward Sarah Schieber was the latest Gophers casualty as she tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. Schieber will have surgery in December and is lost for the season.

Lynda Hass, who missed the first two games of the season

due to an emergency appendectomy, is fully recovered and has seen extensive action in the last four contests.

THE OPPONENTS--WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY--Wisconsin-Green Bay is 1-3 overall after falling to Wisconsin-Madison last week 68-56. On the season, UWGB is shooting 35 percent from the field and 66 percent from the free-throw line. Head coach Carol Hammerle is in her 24th season at the helm of the Phoenix and has a 419-210 record.

UWGB is led by Shelly Beaver, who is averaging 11.5 points and 6.5 rebounds a game. Amy Strohmeyer is the only other UWGB player scoring in double figures with 10.8 points, while Cheri Nordgaard is averaging 8.8 points and 8.8 rebounds a contest.

THE SERIES--Minnesota leads the series 4-1, winning the last matchup between the two schools, 62-60, at the Sports Pavilion.

GOPHER REWIND--MARQUETTE--Minnesota shot only 32 percent from the field and was outrebounded by the Golden Eagles, 58-45, including 27-18 on the offensive boards, in losing 75-62 at the Sports Pavilion. This game marked the first game that Minnesota had not led at some point in the second half.

Minnesota was led once again by Angie Iverson, who recorded her fifth double-double of the season with 11 points and 12 rebounds. Sarah Klun led all Gophers with 12 points, while Lynda Hass had 11 points and Mindy Hansen recorded 10 for the Gophers.

Clare Barnard led all scorers with 15 points, while Kiesha Oliver had 13 points and 12 rebounds.

COLORADO STATE: Colorado State used an 18-2 run, including five consecutive three pointers, in the second half to pull away from the upset-minded Gophers and win 78-60 in Fort Collins, Col.

Colorado State jumped out to a 20-7 lead in the first half, before Minnesota rallied in the last 10 minutes and took the lead, 31-29, on a Mindy Hansen three-pointer with :48 to go in the first half. Hansen had nine points in the first half, while Angie Iverson pulled down 12 boards in the first period of play.

Minnesota was ahead 38-36, before Colorado State went on the game-deciding run over the next six minutes and took a 57-40 lead.

Once again, Minnesota struggled from the field, connecting on only 33 percent. Minnesota has not shot over 43 percent from the field all season and has been under 40 percent its last three games. The Gophers are also struggling from the free-throw line as they shot 36 percent, missing 4-of-11 in the game.

The Gophers were led by Iverson, who had a career-high and Minnesota record 25 rebounds to go along with 16 points. Hansen finished with 13 points. Lynda Hass was the only other Gopher in double figures, finishing with a career-high 10 points.

Becky Hammon was the leading scorer for CSU with 21 points, including five three-pointers. Katie Cronin finished with 14, while Jacque Johnson had 13 for the Rams.

TEAM NOTES--On the season, statistics do not tell the whole story as the Gophers have been ahead in the second half in five of six games this season and leading at halftime in four of the

contests despite posting a 1-5 record.

Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field shooting only 37 percent, including 24 percent from three-point land. Minnesota has not shot above 43 percent the entire season. The Gophers are also struggling from the free-throw line shooting 63 percent, including 31 percent against Colorado State. Turnovers are also plaguing this young squad at a rate of 23 a game.

MINNESOTA BY THE NUMBERS--

Leading at the half--1-3
Losing at the half--0-2
Shooting over 50%--0-0
Shooting under 50%--1-5
20 or more turnovers--0-3
Less than 20 turnovers--1-2

By the Month

November--1-2
December--0-3

By the Day of the Week--

Tuesday--0-1
Friday--0-2
Sunday--0-2
Saturday--1-0

OTHER GOPHER NOTES--

IVERSON BREAKS REBOUNDING RECORD--Angie Iverson's 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record of 23 set in 1984 by Molly Tadich against Northwestern.

ALTHOUGH SHORT, IVERSON BIG IN THE MIDDLE--

On the season, Angie Iverson is averaging an impressive 14 rebounds on the boards. Iverson is a 6-0 center and has been, on the average, three inches shorter than the opponent guarding her this season.

IVERSON AND HANSEN NAMED TO DIAL ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM--Angie Iverson and Mindy Hansen were named to the all-tournament team at the Dial Soap Basketball Classic. For the tournament, Iverson averaged 8.5 points and 10.5 rebounds, while Hansen had 12.5 points and 3.5 assists. It was the first time in either player's career to be named to an all-tournament team.

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--Angie Iverson has posted five double-doubles in six games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 13 points and 14 rebounds a game. Iverson now has 11 double-doubles in her career. Iverson was a one-person show at Colorado State ripping down a Minnesota record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and 16 points. Iverson also has double doubles against Marquette (11-12); Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14).

Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles, but missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a

double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

KLUN GLAD TO BE BACK--Sophomore Sarah Klun, who missed last season with a torn ACL, made an impressive return to the floor as she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes against Western Illinois. Against Iowa State, Klun had 10 points, five rebounds and four assists in 30 minutes before fouling out. She is currently fourth on the team in scoring at 9.0 points a game. Klun played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

ROBINSON RECORDS FIRST DOUBLE-DOUBLE--

Sophomore Sonja Robinson, who saw limited action last season after suffering a stress fracture, had her first career double-double against James Madison with 14 points and 11 rebounds. On the season, Robinson is second on the team in rebounding, averaging 6.2 boards and fifth in scoring at 8.5 points a game.

HASS MAKES IMPRESSIVE RETURN--Sophomore Lynda Hass, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, made an impressive return to the floor as she had nine points and eight rebounds in 24 minutes, all career-highs, against Wyoming, and then had eight points and five rebounds against JMU. She then recorded a career-high 10 points against Colorado State. Hass followed that with 11 points, another career-high, against Marquette. Hass, who only played in 13 games as a first-year athlete due to a stress fracture, averaged only 1.4 points and two rebounds a game last year.

THE NEWCOMERS SEE A LOT OF PLAYING TIME--

Kiauna Burns and Andrea Seago are having to step into the rotation right away and making the most of it. Against Western Illinois, Burns had five points, including a three pointer, and two rebounds in 27 minutes, while Seago recorded four points and five rebounds in 17 minutes. Burns was all over the floor against Iowa State as she recorded six points, four rebounds, three steals and three assists in 21 minutes, while Seago had four points and two rebounds in 12 minutes. Versus Wyoming, Burns was once again a force as she had a career-high 10 points, while recording three rebounds, two assists and three steals in 27 minutes.

CAREER-HIGHS--In what will be a trend all season with the limited playing time most of the athletes have had during their careers, many career-highs were set in the first five games, including:

COLORADO STATE GAME--

Angie Iverson--Rebounds (25)***
Sarah Klun--Rebounds (5-tied)
Mindy Hansen--Rebounds (6)
Lynda Hass--Points (10)

MARQUETTE GAME--

Sonja Robinson-- Blocks (1-tied); Minutes (32-tied)
Lynda Hass--Points (11)

***New Minnesota record

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will make seven appearances on MSC this season, including when the Gophers play Wisconsin January 26, in the Big Ten Game of the Week.

Other games appearing on MSC:

Monday, Dec. 30	Michigan	7 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 12	Michigan State	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 19	Northwestern	2 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 16	Indiana	2 p.m.

MINNESOTA PICKED FINISH 11TH IN BIG TEN--

Minnesota was picked to finish 11th in the preseason Big Ten standings. Iowa was picked to finish first, followed by Wisconsin, Penn State, Northwestern, Michigan State, Illinois, Purdue, Indiana, Michigan and Minnesota.

MINNESOTA SIGNS TWO IN THE EARLY

PERIOD--Minnesota has signed Theresa LeCuyer of Anoka, Minn., and Ayesha Whitfield from Detroit Cass Tech to national letters of intent for the fall of 1997. LeCuyer is a 6-1 forward, while Whitfield is a point guard.

UP NEXT--Minnesota travels to Las Vegas, Nev., for the Lady Rebel Classic Dec. 19-20. Minnesota plays nationally-ranked Stephen F. Austin in the first round, before either playing Fairfield or host UNLV in the second round. Minnesota then is off until the Big Ten opener Saturday, Dec. 28, versus Iowa at the Sports Pavilion.

Volleyball

VOLLEYBALL TEAM ENDS SEASON WITH 24-11 MARK — The University of Minnesota volleyball team advanced to the second round of the NCAA Volleyball Championship and placed fourth in the Big Ten on its way to posting a 24-11 record in the 1996 season. The Gophers went 14-6 in Big Ten play, finishing behind co-champions Penn State and Michigan State and third-place Ohio State. Minnesota was easily the surprise team of the Big Ten this fall, with their fourth-place finish after the pre-season coaches' poll predicted the Gophers would finish no better than eighth.

THREE SENIORS COMPLETE THEIR GOPHER CAREERS — Minnesota will lose three players to graduation from the 1996 squad. **KATRIEN DeDECKER (BREDENE, BELGIUM/ROYAL ATHENEUM)**, and **TERA FIAMENGO (LONG BEACH, CA/ST. ANTHONY)** were four-year letterwinners for the Gophers, while **MICHELLE MILLER (WORTH, IL/WORTH)** transferred into the program for the final two years of her collegiate career.

BIG TEN STANDINGS

Final	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Penn State*	18	2	.900	30	2	.937
Michigan State*	18	2	.900	25	6	.806
Ohio State	15	5	.750	27	5	.844
MINNESOTA	14	6	.722	24	11	.686
Wisconsin	13	7	.650	25	7	.781
Michigan	9	11	.450	14	17	.452
Illinois	8	12	.400	13	15	.464
Purdue	6	14	.300	13	19	.406
Iowa	5	15	.250	10	21	.323
Indiana	4	16	.200	10	22	.313
Northwestern	0	20	.000	9	24	.273

* Co-Big Ten champions

The Big Ten in the NCAA's —

Wed., Dec. 4	NCAA First Round MINNESOTA def. Central Florida (8-15, 12-15, 15-12, 15-9, 17-15) WISCONSIN def. Colgate (15-5, 15-3, 15-11)
Sat., Dec. 7	LONG BEACH STATE def. Minnesota (15-10, 15-13, 15-6) Wisconsin def. GEORGE MASON (2-15, 15-9, 15-10, 15-11) MICHIGAN STATE def. Texas A&M (19-17, 15-13, 15-12)
Sun. Dec. 8	Ohio State def. NOTRE DAME (8-15, 11-15, 15-11, 15-11, 15-8) PENN STATE def. Georgia Tech (15-7, 15-10, 15-13)

HEAD COACH MIKE HEBERT— Head coach Dr. Mike Hebert completed his first season at Minnesota with a 24-11 (.686) mark. After 21 seasons as a head coach, Hebert now sports a career record of 596-266 (.691). His 1996 Minnesota squad was Hebert's 12th consecutive team to receive an NCAA Tournament bid.

DeDECKER'S FINAL COUNT — **Katrien DeDecker** completed the most prolific career in Minnesota volleyball history with 2,300 kills, the Minnesota and Big Ten career kill record. That mark is also fifth on the NCAA all-time career kill list. DeDecker's 738 kills in 1996 in also a Minnesota single-season record, and for the time being, a Big Ten single-season record. Ohio State's **Vanessa Wouters** has a chance to break DeDecker's Big Ten mark in NCAA play.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota went 1-1 in its third appearance in the NCAA Volleyball Championship.

THE CENTRAL FLORIDA MATCH: Minnesota dug themselves a hole dropping the first two games against Central Florida by scores of 8-15, 12-15. Drawing on the strength of a total team effort, the Gophers rebounded to capture 15-12, 15-9 and 17-15 victories in games three, four and five to win their 24th match of the season and advance into the NCAA's second round. The Golden Knights hit their way to an 18-kill advantage in the first two games in building the 2-0 lead. The Gophers fired off to a 9-2 lead in the third game to ignite the rally. In the rally-scoring fifth and deciding game, Minnesota worked its way to a 14-11 advantage but a determined Central Florida squad did not give up. The Knights clawed back to tie the score at 14-14 on a kill from Russian ace **Renata Menchikova**. **Katrien DeDecker**, hampered by the flu through the week, answered for the Gophers with a kill down the baseline. Another **Menchikova** kill knotted the score at 15-15. It was middle blocker **Tara Baynes** who gave the Gophers another shot at match point with a smash in the middle. Fittingly, DeDecker landed the winning shot to give the Gophers the exciting 3-2 comeback victory. Five Gophers finished in double-figure kills led by DeDecker and **Jane Passer** with 17. **Sarah Pearman** and **Baynes** each contributed 13 kills, while **Tera Fiamengo** added 12.

THE LONG BEACH STATE MATCH: The Gophers saw their season end with a 15-10, 15-13, 15-6 loss at Long Beach State in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. The #8 ranked 49'ers were able to use a balanced offensive attack which hit .368 and a hustling defense which collected a 59-36 advantage in digs to capture the three-game victory. **Katrien DeDecker** led the way for the Gophers with 20 kills, while **Tara Baynes** was the only other Gopher in double figures with 11 kills. Minnesota was on the short end of a 67-54 kill count and hit .192 in the match.

DeDECKER A UNANIMOUS ALL-BIG TEN PICK —

Senior outside hitter **Katrien DeDecker** added another award to her long list of accomplishments when she was named a unanimous all-Big Ten selection. It was the third all-conference award for DeDecker.

1996 All-Big Ten Team

Val Sterk, MH, Michigan State *
Katrien DeDecker, OH, Minnesota *
 Vanessa Wouters, OH, Ohio State *
 Terri Zemaitis, MH, Penn State *
 Jenna Wrobel, OH, Michigan State
 Bonnie Bremner, S, Penn State
 Dana Cooke, MH, Michigan State
 Lauren Cacciamani, MH, Penn State
 Angie Kammer, OH, Penn State
 Laura Abbinante, S, Wisconsin
 Brooke White, OH, Purdue (tie)
 Heather Dodaro, MH, Wisconsin (tie)
 Kelly Scherr, OH, Illinois (tie)
 Sherri Helman, OH, Ohio State (tie)
 * Unanimous Selection

All-Big Ten Honorable Mention: Mary Coleman, Illinois; Jennifer Webb, Iowa; Sarah Jackson, Michigan; Veronica Morales, Michigan State; Jen Boleyn, Ohio State.

Player of the Year: Vanessa Wouters, Ohio State
 Newcomer of the Year: Bonnie Bremner, Penn State
 Coach of the Year (coaches' and media selection): Russ Rose, Penn State

MINNESOTA COURT COUNTS - Final

Home matches	10-4
Road matches	9-5
Neutral site matches	5-2
In three-game matches	12-7
In four-game matches	8-3
In five-game matches	4-1
Record winning the first game	19-2
Record winning first two games	14-0
Record losing first game	5-9
Record losing first two games	2-8
Record vs. ranked opponents	3-8

TEAM SEASON-BESTS - Final

Kills — 99 vs. Iowa
 Total Attempts — 255 vs. Iowa
 Attack Percentage — .455 vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 91 vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 15 vs. Iowa
 Digs — 94 vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 7 vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 32 vs. Illinois
 Total Blocks — 25 vs. Kent State

INDIVIDUAL SEASON-BESTS - Final

Kills — 34, **Katrien DeDecker** vs. Illinois
 Attempts — 94, **Katrien DeDecker** vs. Iowa
 Attack Pct. — .800, **Tera Fiamengo** (8-0-10) vs. Bucknell
 Assists — 77, **Becky Bauer** vs. Iowa
 Service Aces — 7, **Tara Baynes** vs. Iowa
 Digs — 26, **Sarah Pearman** vs. Georgia Tech
 Block Solos — 5, **Tara Baynes** vs. Kent State
 Block Assists — 9, **Tara Baynes** vs. Iowa

MINNESOTA CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 6 Games)

PLAYER	/-- TOTAL --/		/--- 3PT ---/			OFF DEF TOT													
	G/ GS	FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	REB	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
Angie Iverson	6/ 6	24/ 58	.414	0/ 0	.000	31/ 47	.660	79	13.2	32	53	85	14.2	17/ 0	9	19	1	3	186
Mindy Hansen	6/ 6	27/ 83	.325	5/ 19	.263	8/ 19	.421	67	11.2	8	16	24	4.0	10/ 1	22	30	2	10	200
Lynda Hass	4/ 0	11/ 31	.355	2/ 5	.400	14/ 21	.667	38	9.5	11	8	19	4.8	8/ 1	2	5	2	1	82
Sarah Klun	6/ 6	21/ 51	.412	0/ 3	.000	12/ 12	1.000	54	9.0	9	8	17	2.8	18/ 1	12	17	1	11	157
Sonja Robinson	6/ 6	21/ 60	.350	0/ 2	.000	9/ 16	.563	51	8.5	14	23	37	6.2	15/ 1	11	23	3	4	173
Kiauna Burns	6/ 0	16/ 38	.421	4/ 12	.333	4/ 13	.308	40	6.7	1	14	15	2.5	11/ 1	9	19	2	11	138
Jaime Ellis	6/ 6	13/ 42	.310	6/ 30	.200	5/ 7	.714	37	6.2	0	8	8	1.3	16/ 0	24	15	2	6	194
Andrea Seago	6/ 0	5/ 12	.417	0/ 0	.000	0/ 1	.000	10	1.7	3	10	13	2.2	7/ 0	2	8	5	0	70
Team Rebounds													50						
Golden Gophers	6/ 6	138/ 375	.368	17/ 71	.239	83/ 136	.610	376	62.7	78	140	268	44.7	102/ 5	91	136	18	46	--
Team Rebounds													36						
Opponent Totals	6/ 6	160/ 421	.380	24/ 88	.273	82/ 115	.713	426	71.0	100	154	290	48.3	123/ 4	89	122	25	72	--

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/													
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN			
Angie Iverson	4.0	9.7	.0	.0	5.2	7.8	13.2	14.2	1.5	3.2	.2	.5	31.0			
Mindy Hansen	4.5	13.8	.8	3.2	1.3	3.2	11.2	4.0	3.7	5.0	.3	1.7	33.3			
Lynda Hass	2.8	7.8	.5	1.3	3.5	5.3	9.5	4.8	.5	1.3	.5	.3	20.5			
Sarah Klun	3.5	8.5	.0	.5	2.0	2.0	9.0	2.8	2.0	2.8	.2	1.8	26.2			
Sonja Robinson	3.5	10.0	.0	.3	1.5	2.7	8.5	6.2	1.8	3.8	.5	.7	28.8			
Kiauna Burns	2.7	6.3	.7	2.0	.7	2.2	6.7	2.5	1.5	3.2	.3	1.8	23.0			
Jaime Ellis	2.2	7.0	1.0	5.0	.8	1.2	6.2	1.3	4.0	2.5	.3	1.0	32.3			
Andrea Seago	.8	2.0	.0	.0	.0	.2	1.7	2.2	.3	1.3	.8	.0	11.7			
Golden Gophers	23.0	62.5	2.8	11.8	13.8	22.7	62.7	44.7	15.2	22.7	3.0	7.7	----			
Opponent Totals	26.7	70.2	4.0	14.7	13.7	19.2	71.0	48.3	14.8	20.3	4.2	12.0	----			

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	189	187	0	0	376	16
Opponent Totals	182	244	0	0	426	10

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	1-5	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	5838	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	973
Big Ten	0-0	HOME	4752	HOME AVERAGE	1188
Dial Soap Classic	1-1	AWAY	1086	AWAY AVERAGE	543
UNLV Classic	0-0				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61-70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69-73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	Wyoming	68-66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	James Madison	56-64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60-78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62-75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12

* Big Ten

I Dial Soap Classic

@ UNLV Classic

As of: December 7, 1996
 #8 Long Beach State
 35 Matches played
 24 Wins, 11 Losses

SEASON CUMULATIVE STATISTICS
 University of Minnesota

Positives

#	Name	MP	GP	K	E	TA	ATK%	A	TA	AST%	SA	BS	BA	DG
1	Baker, B.	34	90	1	1	3	.000	2	0	0	10	0	0	91
2	Fiamengo, T.	35	122	273	93	621	.290	66	0	0	24	7	62	204
3	Miller, M.	21	41	10	1	18	.500	67	0	0	5	0	3	22
4	McDonnell, J.	35	81	59	39	163	.123	5	0	0	12	2	17	97
6	Hebert, H.	32	61	0	1	3	-.333	2	0	0	4	0	0	38
7	Baynes, T.	30	105	230	87	527	.271	21	0	0	26	19	116	135
8	DeDecker, K.	35	124	738	222	1743	.296	41	0	0	40	25	83	336
9	Passer, J.	35	124	379	122	837	.307	24	0	0	39	18	128	340
10	Pearman, S.	35	123	353	166	952	.196	45	0	0	22	8	42	448
13	Bauer, B.	34	120	139	44	329	.289	1657	0	0	37	9	96	244
14	Shudlick, S.	31	82	0	2	7	-.286	17	0	0	11	0	0	62
0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEAM TOTALS		35	124	2182	778	5203	.270	1947	0	0	230	88	547	2017
TEAM BLOCKS:		361												

Negatives

Per Game Average

#	Name	GP	#1	RE	BE	SE	K	A	SA	DG	B	E
1	Baker, B.	90	0	3	0	22	0.01	0.02	0.11	1.01	0.00	0.28
2	Fiamengo, T.	122	2	1	13	38	2.24	0.54	0.20	1.67	0.57	0.43
3	Miller, M.	41	0	0	1	9	0.24	1.63	0.12	0.54	0.07	0.24
4	McDonnell, J.	81	2	9	2	21	0.73	0.06	0.15	1.20	0.23	0.40
6	Hebert, H.	61	0	4	0	5	0.00	0.03	0.07	0.62	0.00	0.15
7	Baynes, T.	105	5	4	13	56	2.19	0.20	0.25	1.29	1.29	0.70
8	DeDecker, K.	124	2	44	7	91	5.95	0.33	0.32	2.71	0.87	1.15
9	Passer, J.	124	3	11	7	41	3.06	0.19	0.31	2.74	1.18	0.48
10	Pearman, S.	123	3	51	4	70	2.87	0.37	0.18	3.64	0.41	1.02
13	Bauer, B.	120	32	0	15	46	1.16	13.81	0.31	2.03	0.88	0.51
14	Shudlick, S.	82	0	1	0	21	0.00	0.21	0.13	0.76	0.00	0.27
0		0	0	3	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	*****
TEAM TOTALS		124	49	131	62	420	17.60	15.70	1.85	16.27	2.91	4.94

University of Minnesota
1996 Volleyball Season Results -- Final

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Game scores</u>	<u>Location</u>
#10 San Diego State	8/30/96	L 1-3	6-15, 12-15, 15-8, 14-16	San Diego, CA
San Diego	8/31/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 9-15	San Diego, CA
Cal St.-Northridge	8/31/96	W 3-0	15-8, 15-4, 15-13	San Diego, CA
Montana State	9/6/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-13, 15-13	Bozeman, MT
Washington	9/7/96	L 1-3	16-14, 6-15, 7-15, 9-15	Bozeman, MT
Kent State	9/7/96	W 3-1	7-15, 15-6, 15-7, 15-2	Bozeman, MT
#19 Georgia Tech	9/13/96	L 2-3	14-16, 15-9, 15-8, 7-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
Marshall	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-3, 15-12, 15-8	Minneapolis, MN
Arkansas	9/14/96	W 3-0	15-7, 16-14, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Providence	9/20/96	W 3-1	15-7, 14-16, 15-1, 15-4	Chestnut Hill, MS
Dartmouth	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-10, 15-5, 15-5	Chestnut Hill, MS
Bucknell	9/21/96	W 3-0	15-11, 15-4, 15-7	Chestnut Hill, MS
Boston College	9/20/96	W 3-0	15-13, 15-0, 15-2	Chestnut Hill, MS
#2 Penn State *	9/27/96	L 0-3	11-15, 3-15, 12-15	Minneapolis, MN
#8 Ohio State *	9/28/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-13, 15-11	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	10/4/96	W 3-2	14-16, 13-15, 15-11, 17-15, 15-13	Iowa City, IA
Illinois *	10/5/96	W 3-1	15-8, 15-13, 13-15, 15-13	Champaign, IL
#9 Wisconsin *	10/9/96	L 0-3	9-20, 10-19, 10-16	Madison, WI
Michigan *	10/12/96	W 3-0	15-12, 15-6, 15-11	Ann Arbor, MI
Indiana *	10/18/96	W 3-1	12-7, 10-11, 16-10, 17-8	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	10/19/96	W 3-1	15-6, 6-15, 15-7, 15-13	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan State *	10/25/96	L 0-3	9-15, 13-15, 7-15	East Lansing, MI
Northwestern *	10/26/96	W 3-1	15-7, 15-11, 16-18, 15-6	Evanston, IL
Illinois *	11/1/96	W 3-2	13-15, 15-8, 15-4, 17-19, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
Iowa *	11/2/96	W 3-0	15-6, 15-9, 15-4	Minneapolis, MN
#13 Wisconsin *	11/6/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-12, 15-12	Minneapolis, MN
Michigan *	11/8/96	L 0-3	12-15, 7-15, 10-15	Minneapolis, MN
Purdue *	11/15/96	W 3-1	15-13, 14-16, 15-7, 15-11	West Lafayette, IN
Indiana *	11/16/96	W 3-0	15-9, 15-9, 15-10	Bloomington, IN
Northwestern *	11/22/96	W 3-0	15-5, 15-4, 15-9	Minneapolis, MN
#9 Michigan State *	11/23/96	L 3-0	4-15, 4-15, 11-15	Minneapolis, MN
#10 Ohio State	11/29/96	W, 3-1	15-12, 8-15, 15-4, 15-1	Columbus, OH
#4 Penn State	11/30/96	L, 3-1	11-15, 15-7, 15-8, 15-3	State Park, PA
Central Florida ##	12/4/96	W, 3-2	8-15, 12-15, 15-12, 15-9, 17-15	Minneapolis, MN
#8 Long Beach State ##	12/7/96	L, 3-0	10-15, 13-15, 6-15	Long Beach, CA

* denotes Big Ten match

NCAA Tournament

Record: Overall 24-11
Big Ten 14-6



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Catch what you've been missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, December 19
 BKB vs. Stephen F. Austin 7 p.m.
 (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Friday, December 20
 BKB vs. UNLV or Fairfield TBA
 (Las Vegas, Nev.)

What's Coming Up

- Basketball plays at Lady Rebel Classic

Last Week's Highlights

- Soccer's McElmury named second-team all-American
- McElmury receives tryout for U.S. National Team
- 17 Minnesota fall student-athletes named Academic all-Big Ten
- Iverson has career-high vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay

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Basketball

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO LAS VEGAS FOR TOURNEY-- Minnesota, 1-6 after losing to Wisconsin-Green Bay Sunday, travels to Las Vegas for the Lady Rebel Classic Thursday-Friday, Dec. 19-20. Minnesota plays nationally-ranked Stephen F. Austin in the first round, and then will play either Fairfield or UNLV on Friday.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota features two juniors and three sophomores in the probable starting lineup. Juniors **Jaime Ellis** and **Angie Iverson** have the most experience in the starting lineup for Minnesota, starting 33 and 25 games, respectively. **Sarah Klun** and **Sonja Robinson** made only their sixth collegiate starts against Marquette. The probable starting lineup:

G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Phoenix, Ariz./Chaparral

The Reserves

F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season. Minnesota suffered a number of injuries early in the year, three of which were season- or career-ending. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **Angie Iverson**. **Iverson** was the top rebounder for the Gophers in 1996, and ranked fifth in the Big Ten Conference at nine boards a game. **Iverson** leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 14.7 points and 13.3 boards a game. Also back for Minnesota is junior point guard **Jaime Ellis**, who is averaging 3.9 assists a game this season. Add that to **Sarah Klun**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season, and a talented sophomore crew of **Mindy Hansen**, **Lynda Hass** and **Sonja Robinson**, and the Gophers have the basis for an upper-division finish. **Hansen** is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11.6 points a game, while **Hass** is at 8.0 points and **Klun** is at 7.7 a game.

Minnesota also adds two newcomers to the roster this season in **Kiauna Burns** and **Andrea Seago**. **Burns**, an all-state player, is a 5-7 lightning-quick guard who plays both the one and the two. **Burns** has seen action in all seven games and is averaging 24 minutes a contest. She played a career-high 31 minutes against Wisconsin-Green Bay. **Seago**, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster and is the first player from the Northern Sun Conference to play in the Big Ten. She is averaging 13.7 minutes a game and had career highs in minutes played (26) and points (10) in the loss Sunday.

GOPHERS ADD THREE WALK-ONS--Minnesota added three walk-ons to the roster in **Sy Nonginthirath**, **Margaret Blom** and **Teresa O'Hearn**. **Nonginthirath** is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. **Nonginthirath** saw her first action of the season against Wisconsin-Green Bay. **Blom** is a 6-1 first-year center, while **O'Hearn**, who was the keeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. **O'Hearn** is a 6-0 forward.

THE HEAD COACH--**Linda Hill-MacDonald** enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 63-107 record at Minnesota. **Hill-MacDonald** led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, **Hill-MacDonald** has a record of 229-237 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are **Tréka McMillian**, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint** moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. **Pearson** was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT--The Gophers lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries. All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For **Stafford** it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. **Stafford** was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. **Taylor** was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

Forward **Sarah Schieber** tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. **Schieber** had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. **Schieber** was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

Forward **Lynda Hass** is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. **Hass** missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor off the bench in the last five contests.

Starting point guard **Jaime Ellis** was limited with a stress fracture against Wisconsin-Green Bay. She only played 19 minutes after averaging almost 34 minutes in the previous six games.

THE OPPONENTS--STEPHEN F. AUSTIN--Stephen F. Austin is 7-1 overall and has won four consecutive games. The Ladyjacks' only loss came to top-ranked Stanford, 85-62.

As a team, Stephen F. Austin is shooting 42 percent from the field and 57 percent from the free-throw line. Head coach **Royce Chadwick** is in his third season at the helm of the Ladyjacks and has a 56-13 record at Stephen F. Austin and a 265-96 career record.

The Ladyjacks are led by junior guard **Katrina Price**, who is averaging 18.6 points and 5.8 rebounds a game while shooting 39 percent from beyond the three-point arc. Sophomore forward **Anitra Davis** is averaging 13.4 points and 6.8 rebounds a game, while junior center **Christie Smith** has averages of 11.1 points and 7.8 rebounds.

THE SERIES--Stephen F. Austin leads the series 3-0, with the last matchup an 84-66 Ladyjacks victory in 1990.

FAIRFIELD--Fairfield is 4-2 overall defeating Seton Hall, Central Connecticut, Cornell and St. John's. The Stags are coached by **Dianne Nolan**, in her 18th year at the helm. Nolan has a 287-211 record, while at Fairfield.

As a team, Fairfield is shooting 41 percent from the field, while its opponents are at 35 percent. Fairfield is giving its opponents only 60 points a game.

The Stags are led by **Page Driscoll** and **Jessica Grossarth**. Driscoll is averaging 16.8 points and 6.7 rebounds a game, while Grossarth is at 14.7 points and 6.0 rebounds a game. **Chantel Williams** is the only other Fairfield player in double figure scoring with 12.3 points a game.

THE SERIES--This could be the first meeting between the two schools.

UNLV--The Lady Rebels are 1-5 on the season after losing to San Francisco, 72-61, over the weekend. UNLV's head coach is **LaDonna McClain**, who is in her first season with the Rebels.

As a team UNLV is shooting 38 percent from the field and only 57 percent from the free throw line. The Rebels have had trouble scoring this season, only averaging 55 points a game, while giving up 71 to its opponents.

UNLV is led by **Celeste Taylor** and **Taniesha Gossett**. Taylor leads the Rebels in scoring at 11.2 points a game, while Gossett is at 10.3 points. Taylor is also pulling down 9.3 rebounds a contest. **Toby Girard** is the only other UNLV player in double figures with 10 points a game.

THE SERIES--Minnesota and UNLV have never met in women's basketball.

GOPHER REWIND--WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY--Minnesota shot 41 percent from the field and made 23 of 28 free throws but lost to the Phoenix, 66-63, at the Phoenix Sports Center in Green Bay.

The Gophers led 35-29 at halftime before UWGB scored the first nine points of the second half. The Phoenix extended their lead to 59-53 with 3:53 remaining. But Minnesota rallied to tie the score when **Angie Iverson** hit two free throws with 33 seconds left.

UWGB regained the lead on a free throw by **Shelly Beaber** and extended it to three points on two **Amy Strohmeier** free

throws. **Iverson** cut the lead to one with a lay-up, but **Beaber** converted two more free-throws with three seconds left. A last-second Minnesota three-pointer bounced off the rim.

Iverson led Minnesota with a career-high 24 points, 13 in the second half. **Mindy Hansen** had 14 and **Andrea Seago** had a career-high 10.

For the Phoenix, **Shelly Beaber** scored 18 points and **Amy Strohmeier** added 17. UWGB outrebounded Minnesota 37-26.

TEAM NOTES--On the season, statistics do not tell the whole story as the Gophers have been ahead in the second half in six of seven games this season and leading at halftime in five of the contests despite posting a 1-6 record.

Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 37 percent, including 23 percent from three-point land. Minnesota has not shot above 43 percent the entire season. The Gophers shot 82 percent from the free-throw line against Wisconsin-Green Bay, but are also struggling in that area for the season, shooting 65 percent. Turnovers are also plaguing this young squad at a rate of 23 a game.

MINNESOTA BY THE NUMBERS--

Leading at the half--1-4
Losing at the half--0-2
Shooting over 50%--0-0
Shooting under 50%--1-6
20 or more turnovers--0-4
Less than 20 turnovers--1-2

By the Month

November--1-2
December--0-4

By the Day of the Week--

Tuesday--0-1
Friday--0-2
Sunday--0-3
Saturday--1-0

OTHER GOPHER NOTES--

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--**Angie Iverson** has posted five double-doubles in seven games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 14.7 points and 13.3 rebounds a game. **Iverson** now has 11 double-doubles in her career. **Iverson's** best totals were at Colorado State, where she ripped down a Minnesota record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and 16 points. **Iverson** also has double-doubles against Marquette (11-12), Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14).

Last season, **Iverson** had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON SETS CAREER-HIGH IN SCORING--

Angie Iverson scored a career-high 24 points on 7-of-13 shooting against Green Bay over the weekend. **Iverson's** previous career-best was 19 set against Marquette in 1994.

IVERSON BREAKS REBOUNDING RECORD--Angie Iverson's career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record of 23 set in 1984 by Molly Tadiach against Northwestern.

ALTHOUGH SHORT, IVERSON BIG IN THE MIDDLE--On the season, Angie Iverson is averaging an impressive 13.3 rebounds on the boards. Iverson is a 6-0 center and has been, on the average, three inches shorter than the opponent guarding her this season.

IVERSON AND HANSEN NAMED TO DIAL ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM--Angie Iverson and Mindy Hansen were named to the all-tournament team at the Dial Soap Basketball Classic. For the tournament, Iverson averaged 8.5 points and 10.5 rebounds, while Hansen had 12.5 points and 3.5 assists. It was the first time in either player's career to be named to an all-tournament team.

HANSEN SCORING TOO--Sophomore Mindy Hansen is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11.6 a game. Last season, Hansen averaged almost six points a game and had a career-high of 19 points versus Northern Iowa.

KLUN GLAD TO BE BACK--Sophomore Sarah Klun, who missed last season with a torn ACL, made an impressive return to the floor as she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes against Western Illinois. Against Iowa State, Klun had 10 points, five rebounds and four assists in 30 minutes before fouling out. She is currently fourth on the team in scoring at 7.7 points a game. Klun played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

ROBINSON RECORDS FIRST DOUBLE-DOUBLE--Sophomore Sonja Robinson, who saw limited action last season after suffering a stress fracture, had her first career double-double against James Madison with 14 points and 11 rebounds. On the season, Robinson is second on the team in rebounding, averaging 5.3 boards a game and is fifth in scoring at 7.1 points a game.

HASS MAKES IMPRESSIVE RETURN--Sophomore Lynda Hass, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, made an impressive return to the floor as she had nine points and eight rebounds in 24 minutes, all career-highs, against Wyoming, and then had eight points and five rebounds against JMU. She then recorded a career-high 10 points against Colorado State. Hass followed that with 11 points, another career-high, against Marquette. Hass, who only played in 13 games as a first-year athlete due to a stress fracture, averaged only 1.4 points and two rebounds a game last year.

THE NEWCOMERS SEE A LOT OF PLAYING TIME--Kiauna Burns and Andrea Seago are having to step into the rotation right away and making the most of it. Against Western Illinois, Burns had five points, including a three pointer, and two rebounds in 27 minutes, while Seago recorded four points and five rebounds in 17 minutes. Burns was all over the floor against Iowa State as she recorded six points, four rebounds, three steals

and three assists in 21 minutes, while Seago had four points and two rebounds in 12 minutes. Versus Wyoming, Burns was once again a force as she had a career-high 10 points, while recording three rebounds, two assists and three steals in 27 minutes. The pair had their best game on Sunday against Wisconsin-Green Bay. Burns had nine points and saw extensive action at point guard, playing 31 minutes. Seago played 26 minutes and scored a career-high 10 points.

NONGINTHIRATH MAKES APPEARANCE FOR GOPHERS--Senior Sy Nonginthirath, who walked on the team after seeing an ad in the student newspaper, became the first walk-on to see some game time. Nonginthirath played almost two minutes against Wis.-Green Bay.

CAREER-HIGHS--In what will be a trend all season with the limited playing time most of the athletes have had during their careers, many career-highs were set in the first seven games, including:

WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY GAME--

Angie Iverson--Points (24)
Andrea Seago--Points (10), Rebounds (4) Minutes (26)
Kiauna Burns--Minutes (31)
Sonja Robinson--Blocks (2)
Mindy Hansen--Minutes (37-tied)

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will make seven appearances on MSC this season, including when the Gophers play Wisconsin January 26, in the Big Ten Game of the Week.

Other games appearing on MSC:

Monday, Dec. 30	Michigan	7 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 12	Michigan State	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 19	Northwestern	2 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 16	Indiana	2 p.m.

MINNESOTA PICKED TO FINISH 11TH IN BIG TEN--Minnesota was picked to finish 11th in the preseason Big Ten standings. Iowa was picked to finish first, followed by Wisconsin, Penn State, Northwestern, Michigan State, Illinois, Purdue, Indiana, Michigan and Minnesota.

MINNESOTA SIGNS TWO IN THE EARLY PERIOD--Minnesota has signed Theresa LeCuyer of Anoka, Minn., and Ayesha Whitfield from Detroit Cass Tech to national letters of intent for the fall of 1997. LeCuyer is a 6-1 forward, while Whitfield is a point guard.

UP NEXT--Minnesota kicks off the Big Ten season with a home game versus nationally-ranked Iowa on Saturday, Dec. 28, at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota then hosts Michigan at the Pavilion Monday, Dec. 30. The first 1,500 fans at each game will receive a 1997 Golden Gopher Calendar featuring student-athletes from both the men's and women's athletics departments. Game time Saturday and Monday is 7 p.m.

Soccer

MCELMURY NAMED ALL-BIG TEN--Junior **JENNIFER McELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE)** was named to the second-team of the National Soccer Coaches Association of America/Umbro Senior College Division I All-American team. **McElmury**, a midfielder, was also named to the second-team in 1995.

McElmury, the 1996 Big Ten Player of the Year, finished second in the conference in scoring with 14 goals and seven assists for 35 points. She scored at least one goal in 12 of Minnesota's 20 games this season and recorded a point in 15 of 20 games. She was named first-team all Great Lakes Region, first-team all-Big Ten and all-tournament at the Wisconsin Invitational during the season.

MCELMURY RECEIVES TRYOUT WITH U.S. NATIONAL TEAM--**Jennifer McElmury** has received a tryout with the U.S. National Soccer Team. **McElmury** will fly to San Diego in early January for a chance to make the national team and represent the United States.

HUSSEY AND TOUSET ALSO HONORED--The Gophers had two other players named to the all-Great Lakes Region team as defender **VANESSA TOUSET (WOODBIDGE, VA/GAR-FIELD)** was named to the second team and senior forward **ERIN HUSSEY (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA)** was named to the third team.

Touset was the anchor of the defense that allowed only 25 goals in 20 games on the season. She was named second-team all-Big Ten and was an all-tournament selection at the Wisconsin Invitational.

Hussey, a first-team all-Big Ten selection, was second on the Gophers in scoring and in the top five of the Big Ten. **Hussey** had 10 goals and 10 assists for 30 points on the season. She set a Minnesota record for goals and points in a game with four goals and 10 points against Valparaiso in the first game of the season.

Academics

SEVENTEEN GOPHERS NAMED ACADEMIC-ALL-BIG TEN--Seventeen Minnesota fall student-athletes were named named academic all-Big Ten last week. All winners must be at least a sophomore in eligibilty, a letterwinner and maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher. This year's winners are:

Volleyball--**Katrien DeDecker, Tera Fiamengo, Becky Bauer, Jane Passer, Sarah Pearman and Tara Baynes**

Soccer--**Mikki Denney, Jennifer McElmury, Erin Hussey and Kelly Shea**

Cross Country--**Janet Howe, Karen Kleindl, Bridget Neutgens, Keri Zweig, Andrea Lentz, Julie Golla, Amy Hoel**

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 7 Games)

PLAYER	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			OFF DEF TOT												
	G/ GS	FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	REB	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
Angie Iverson	7/ 7	31/ 71	.437	0/ 1	.000	41/ 58	.707	103	14.7	39	54	93	13.3	20/ 0	9	24	1	5	220
Mindy Hansen	7/ 7	31/ 97	.320	5/ 21	.238	14/ 28	.500	81	11.6	8	19	27	3.9	12/ 1	24	33	3	12	237
Lynda Hass	5/ 0	12/ 34	.353	2/ 5	.400	14/ 21	.667	40	8.0	11	9	20	4.0	8/ 1	2	8	2	5	102
Sarah Klun	7/ 7	21/ 55	.382	0/ 3	.000	12/ 12	1.000	54	7.7	10	8	18	2.6	20/ 1	14	19	1	12	172
Sonja Robinson	7/ 7	21/ 63	.333	0/ 2	.000	9/ 16	.563	51	7.3	14	23	37	5.3	18/ 1	14	26	5	5	192
Kiauna Burns	7/ 0	19/ 43	.442	4/ 12	.333	7/ 17	.412	49	7.0	1	15	16	2.3	16/ 2	10	26	2	14	169
Jaime Ellis	7/ 7	14/ 43	.326	6/ 30	.200	7/ 9	.778	41	5.9	0	8	8	1.1	17/ 0	27	18	2	7	211
Andrea Seago	7/ 0	9/ 18	.500	0/ 0	.000	2/ 3	.667	20	2.9	3	14	17	2.4	8/ 0	3	8	6	0	96
Si Nonginthirat	1/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0	1
Team Rebounds													58						

Golden Gophers	7/ 7	158/ 424	.373	17/ 74	.230	106/ 164	.646	439	62.7	86	150	294	42.0	119/ 6	103	162	22	60	--
Team Rebounds													37						

Opponent Totals	7/ 7	185/ 476	.389	30/ 99	.303	92/ 130	.708	492	70.3	118	172	327	46.7	145/ 4	104	152	31	83	--

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/														
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN				
Angie Iverson	4.4	10.1	.0	.1	5.9	8.3	14.7	13.3	1.3	3.4	.1	.7	31.4				
Mindy Hansen	4.4	13.9	.7	3.0	2.0	4.0	11.6	3.9	3.4	4.7	.4	1.7	33.9				
Lynda Hass	2.4	6.8	.4	1.0	2.8	4.2	8.0	4.0	.4	1.6	.4	1.0	20.4				
Sarah Klun	3.0	7.9	.0	.4	1.7	1.7	7.7	2.6	2.0	2.7	.1	1.7	24.6				
Sonja Robinson	3.0	9.0	.0	.3	1.3	2.3	7.3	5.3	2.0	3.7	.7	.7	27.4				
Kiauna Burns	2.7	6.1	.6	1.7	1.0	2.4	7.0	2.3	1.4	3.7	.3	2.0	24.1				
Jaime Ellis	2.0	6.1	.9	4.3	1.0	1.3	5.9	1.1	3.9	2.6	.3	1.0	30.1				
Andrea Seago	1.3	2.6	.0	.0	.3	.4	2.9	2.4	.4	1.1	.9	.0	13.7				
Si Nonginthirath	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0				

Golden Gophers	22.6	60.6	2.4	10.6	15.1	23.4	62.7	42.0	14.7	23.1	3.1	8.6	----				
Opponent Totals	26.4	68.0	4.3	14.1	13.1	18.6	70.3	46.7	14.9	21.7	4.4	11.9	----				

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	224	215	0	0	439	20
Opponent Totals	211	281	0	0	492	12

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	1- 6	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	6258	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	894
Big Ten	0- 0	HOME	4752	HOME AVERAGE	1188
Dial Soap Classic	1- 1	AWAY	1506	AWAY AVERAGE	502
UNLV Classic	0- 0				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	Wyoming	68- 66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	James Madison	56- 64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60- 78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62- 75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63- 66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10

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Catch what you've been missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, January 7
BKB at Nebraska 7 p.m.
(Lincoln, Neb.)

Wednesday, January 8
DIV at Texas Diving Invitational
(Austin, Tex.)

Thursday, January 9
DIV at Texas Diving Invitational

Friday, January 10
BKB hosts Illinois 7 p.m.
SW hosts Kansas 7 p.m.
DIV at Texas Diving Invitational

Saturday, January 11
TF hosts Northwest Open 9 a.m.
SW hosts Gold Country Invite 9 a.m.
GY hosts Best of Minnesota 7 p.m.
DIV at Texas Diving Invitational

Sunday, January 12
BKB hosts Michigan State 2 p.m.
DIV at Texas Diving Invitational

What's Coming Up

- Gymnastics, Track and Field start seasons at home
- Basketball plays three games; two at Sports Pavilion
- Sunday is Critter/Mascot Day at Basketball
- Swimming and Diving hit the pool again

Last Week's Highlights

- Iverson posts double-doubles against Michigan and Indiana
- Gymnastics team begins season with Intrasquad
- Gymnast Judith Cavazos makes first appearance for Gophers

Basketball

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO NEBRASKA FOR NON-CONFERENCE GAME THEN HOSTS BIG TEN PLAY-- Minnesota, 2-10 overall and 0-3 in the Big Ten, travels to Lincoln, Neb., Tuesday, Jan. 7, to play #25 Nebraska at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. Nebraska is 9-1 on the season after suffering its first loss at the hands of Colorado, 65-59, to open the Big 12 season Saturday night.

Minnesota then returns home to play Illinois and Michigan State in Big Ten action Friday and Sunday, respectively. Illinois is 9-3 on the season and 1-1 in the Big Ten, while Michigan State is 10-3 and 2-1 in the conference. Game time Friday is 7 p.m., while Sunday's tilt begins at 2 p.m.

SUNDAY'S GAME TO FEATURE CRITTER/MASCOT GAME--Sunday's game against Michigan State will feature the annual Critter/Mascot game at halftime. Many local mascots, including Crunch of the Minnesota Timberwolves, will take part in a basketball game at halftime.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota features two juniors and three sophomores in the probable starting lineup. Juniors **Jaime Ellis** and **Angie Iverson** have the most experience in the starting lineup for Minnesota, starting 37 and 29 games, respectively. Sophomore **Lynda Hass** has also moved into the starting role for the Gophers. Hass made her first career start against Indiana Friday night. The probable starting lineup:

G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis

The Reserves

F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season. Minnesota suffered a number of injuries early in the year, three of which were season- or career-ending. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **Angie Iverson**. Iverson leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 15.2 points and 12.8 boards a game. Iverson also leads the Big Ten in rebounding, with the next closest player, **Paula Sanders** of Michigan State, at 10.27 rebounds a game. Also back for Minnesota is junior point guard **Jaime Ellis**, who is averaging 3.0 assists a game this season. Ellis is suffering from a stress fracture and is limited to only 16 minutes a contest. Add that to **Sarah Klun**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season, and a talented sophomore crew of **Mindy Hansen**, **Lynda Hass** and **Sonja Robinson**, and the Gophers have the basis for an upper-division finish. **Hansen** is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11.3 points a game, while

Klun is at 8.7 after pouring in 16 points against Indiana. **Hass** is fourth on the team in scoring at 8.0 and **Sonja Robinson** rounds out the top five at 6.7 points a contest.

Minnesota also adds two newcomers to the roster this season in **Kiauna Burns** and **Andrea Seago**. **Burns** has seen action in all 12 games and is averaging 25 minutes a contest, while averaging six points a game. **Seago**, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster and is the first player from the Northern Sun Conference to play in the Big Ten. She is averaging 13 minutes and three points a game.

GOPHERS ADD THREE WALK-ONS--Minnesota added three walk-ons to the roster in **Sy Nonginthirath**, **Margaret Blom** and **Teresa O'Hearn** for the 1996-97 season. **Nonginthirath** is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. **Nonginthirath** is the only walk-on to see action thus far as she has played in two games. Against Indiana, **Nonginthirath** played 5 minutes with two points, a steal and a rebound. **Blom** is a 6-1 first-year center, while **O'Hearn**, who was the keeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. **O'Hearn** is a 6-0 forward.

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THE HEAD COACH--**Linda Hill-MacDonald** enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 64-112 record at Minnesota. **Hill-MacDonald** led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, **Hill-MacDonald** has a record of 229-242 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS-- **Hill-MacDonald's** assistant coaches are **Tréka McMillian**, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint** moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. **Pearson** was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT--The Gophers have struggled with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries. All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For **Stafford** it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. **Stafford** was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** will take a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. Taylor was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

Forward **Sarah Schieber** tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. Schieber had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. Schieber was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

Forward **Lynda Hass** is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. Hass missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor for the Gophers and is currently fourth on the squad in scoring.

Starting point guard **Jaime Ellis** is still limited with a stress fracture. She has averaged only 15 minutes a game in her last six contests and played a season-low 11 minutes against Iowa after appearing in obvious pain. Ellis had been averaging 34 minutes a contest in the previous six games.

Reserves **Andrea Seago** and **Teresa O'Hearn** are the latest Gophers to be added to the injured list. Seago suffered a nasal fracture last Monday when **Angie Iverson** caught her with an elbow. She is cleared to play but will have to wear a protective face guard the next six weeks. O'Hearn suffered a sprain of the right ankle and is doubtful for the Nebraska game.

Reserve **Margaret Blom** missed the Indiana game due to migraine headaches but should be in uniform against Nebraska Tuesday.

THE OPPONENTS--NEBRASKA--Nebraska is ranked #25 in the nation after opening the season with a perfect 9-0 record. The Huskers suffered their first loss Saturday night to Colorado, 65-59, at the Devaney Center in the Big 12 opener for both teams. Head coach **Angela Beck** is in her 11th season at Nebraska, posting a 181-120 record. She took her team to the NCAA Tournament last season where it lost to Colorado State, 66-62, in the first round.

Nebraska is shooting 46 percent from the field and 36 percent from three-point land. They are also crashing the boards, pulling down 39.5 rebounds a game, compared to only 32 for their opponents. Nebraska is also tough on defense as it is outscoring its opponents 79-55.

The Huskers use a balanced scoring attack as five players average eight points or more a game. Leading the way for NU is **Anna DeForge**, who is averaging 13.8 points and five rebounds a game. She is also shooting 50 percent from three-point land (11-22). Newcomer **Nicole Kubik** is next for Nebraska at 10.3 points, while **LaToya Doage** is at 10.1 points.

THE SERIES--Nebraska leads the series 4-3. Minnesota and Nebraska have not met since the 1988 season when the Huskers won, 90-77, in Lincoln, Neb.

ILLINOIS--Illinois is 9-3 on the year and 2-1 in the Big Ten Conference defeating Wisconsin and Michigan State. Illinois will play Ohio State Monday and at Arkansas Wednesday before playing the Gophers at the Sports Pavilion.

Head coach **Theresa Grentz** is in her second year at Illinois, posting a 22-18 record after coaching 19 years at Rutgers. She is the eighth-winningest women's basketball coach in NCAA history. She also was the head coach of the 1992 Olympic team which won the bronze medal.

On the season, UI is shooting 46 percent from the field while holding its opponents to under 40 percent. Illinois is also a threat from long range as it is shooting 34 percent from the three-point area. The Orange and Blue are also outrebounding its opponents 43-36.

Illinois is led by preseason all-Big Ten selection **Ashley Berggren** and newcomer **Alicia Sheeler**. Berggren is averaging 18.7 points and 5.8 rebounds a game, while Sheeler is at 12.3 points and 8.0 rebounds a game. **Krista Reinking** and **Nicole Vasey** are averaging 9.8 and 8.8 points respectively.

THE SERIES--Illinois leads the series 16-13 and has won three of the last four contests. Illinois defeated Minnesota, 96-71, at Huff Hall in Champaign, Ill., last year. Illinois though was the victim of Minnesota's last Big Ten victory, a 92-46 win at the Sports Pavilion on February 10, 1995.

MICHIGAN STATE--Michigan State is 10-3 on the season and 2-1 in the Big Ten and will play at Ohio State Friday before traveling to Minneapolis.

Head coach **Karen Langeland** is the dean of Big Ten coaches entering her 21st year at the helm of the Spartans. She has a 317-243 record during her tenure and took her team to the NCAA Tournament last season, advancing to the second round before falling to Connecticut 88-68.

The Spartans are shooting an amazing 47 percent from the field using a strong inside game that features **Paula Sanders**, **Nicole Cushing-Adkins** and **Jamie Wesley**. Sanders is averaging 13.6 points and 10 rebounds a game, second only to **Angie Iverson** in the conference. Cushing-Adkins is at 12.8 points and 6.7 rebounds, while Wesley is averaging 11 points and 2.9 rebounds a game.

THE SERIES--Michigan State leads the series 16-11, but Minnesota has won three of the last five contests. Michigan State did win both games in 1996 defeating the Gophers, 81-61, at the Sports Pavilion and, 69-66, at East Lansing, Mich.

BIG TEN UPDATE--Wisconsin and Michigan State at 3-1 are leading the Big Ten Conference followed closely by Michigan, Illinois and Iowa.

	Big Ten	Overall
1. Wisconsin	3-1	10-2
Michigan State	3-1	10-3
3. Michigan	2-1	10-2
Illinois	2-1	9-3
Iowa	2-1	7-5
6. Ohio State	1-1	9-3
Purdue	2-2	6-6
8. Northwestern	1-2	7-4
Indiana	1-2	8-5
10. Penn State	0-2	7-5
Minnesota	0-3	2-10

GOPHER REWIND--INDIANA--Minnesota lost a heart-breaker to Indiana, 67-61, at Assembly Hall in Bloomington, Ind. Indiana jumped out to an early 23-9 lead, but Minnesota rallied and closed the gap to eight at halftime. In the second half, Indiana got up by as many as 12 before Minnesota closed the gap to five with 11 minutes to go. Minnesota then went on a 7-0 run

and closed the gap to two at 59-57 with 4 minutes to go. Minnesota had a chance to tie the game, but two three-pointers by **Lynda Hass** fell just short and Indiana escaped with the victory. **Angie Iverson** led all Minnesota scorers with 21 points and 11 rebounds, her eighth double-double of the season, while **Sarah Klun** had 16 points and a career-high nine rebounds.

MICHIGAN--The Wolverines got 33 points from their bench as Minnesota fell to 0-2 on the season after losing to Michigan, 82-63, Monday at the Sports Pavilion. Michigan jumped out to an early lead before Minnesota fought back to within one at the break. Michigan then outscored the Gophers 42-24 in the second half as Minnesota shot only 29 percent from the field and committed 25 turnovers for the game.

The Wolverines were led by starter **Stacey Thomas** and reserves **Akisha Franklin** and **Silver Shelman**. Thomas led all scorers with 18 points and nine rebounds, while **Franklin** contributed 17 points and **Shelman** had 14 points and seven boards. Minnesota was led by **Angie Iverson** who recorded 17 points and 17 rebounds. **Lynda Hass** also recorded a career-high 15 points for the Gophers.

TEAM NOTES--On the season, statistics do not tell the whole story as the Gophers have been ahead in the second half in nine of 12 games this season and leading at halftime in five of the contests despite posting a 2-10 record.

Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 38 percent. Minnesota has not shot above 45 percent the entire season. The Gophers are also struggling from the free-throw line, shooting 62 percent. Minnesota has been outscored 71-62 by its opponents and turnovers are plaguing this young squad at a rate of 23 a game.

OTHER GOPHER NOTES--

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--**Angie Iverson** has posted eight double-doubles in 12 games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 15.2 points and 12.8 rebounds a game. Her 12.8 rebounds a game also leads the Big Ten Conference. **Iverson** now has 14 double-doubles in her career. **Iverson's** best totals were at Colorado State, where she ripped down a Minnesota-record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and 16 points. **Iverson** also has double-doubles against Marquette (11-12), Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14) and Fairfield (13-15), Indiana (21-11) and Michigan (17-17). She has also missed two other double-doubles by one point or rebound in 1996-97.

Last season, **Iverson** had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON SETS CAREER-HIGH IN SCORING--**Angie Iverson** scored a career-high 24 points on 7-of-13 shooting against Green Bay earlier this season. **Iverson's** previous career-best was 19 set against Marquette in 1994.

IVERSON BREAKS REBOUNDING RECORD--**Angie Iverson's** career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record of 23 set in 1984 by **Molly Tadich** against Northwestern.

ALTHOUGH SHORT, IVERSON BIG IN THE MIDDLE--On the season, **Angie Iverson** is averaging an impressive 12.8 rebounds on the boards. **Iverson** is a 6-0 center and has been, on the average, three inches shorter than the opponent guarding her this season.

HANSEN SCORING TOO--Sophomore **Mindy Hansen** is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11.3 a game. **Hansen** has been in double figures in eight of 12 games this season for the Gophers and has led the team three times in scoring. Last year, **Hansen** averaged almost six points a game and had a career-high of 19 points versus Northern Iowa.

KLUN GLAD TO BE BACK--Sophomore **Sarah Klun**, who missed last season with a torn ACL, made an impressive return to the floor as she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes against Western Illinois in the first game of the year. Against Iowa State, **Klun** had 10 points, five rebounds and four assists in 30 minutes before fouling out. She is currently third on the team in scoring at 8.8 points a game and was in double figures during both games of the Lady Rebel Classic. Against Indiana, **Klun** had 16 points and a career-high nine rebounds in 26 minutes of action. **Klun** played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

HASS GETS FIRST CAREER START AGAINST INDIANA--Sophomore **Lynda Hass** made her first career start against Indiana Friday night. **Hass** has played in 22 games, all of the bench, for the Gophers before Friday's game. Against the Hoosiers, **Hass** got into early foul trouble but had four points and five rebounds in 14 minutes.

HASS SOLID FOR GOPHERS--Sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, made an impressive return to the floor. She had nine points and eight rebounds in 24 minutes, all career-highs, against Wyoming, and then had eight points and five rebounds against JMU. She then recorded a career-high 10 points against Colorado State. **Hass** followed that with 11 points, another career-high, against Marquette. Finally, **Hass** recorded her latest career-high, 15 points, against Michigan Monday night. **Hass** is fourth on the team in scoring with 8.0 points a game. **Hass**, who only played in 13 games as a first-year athlete due to a stress fracture, averaged only 1.4 points and two rebounds a game last year.

ROBINSON LOSES STARTING SPOT--Sophomore **Sonja Robinson**, who has been struggling of late, has lost her starting spot to **Lynda Hass**. **Robinson** had started the first 11 games for Minnesota.

THE NEWCOMERS SEE A LOT OF PLAYING TIME--**Kiauna Burns** and **Andrea Seago** are having to step into the rotation right away and making the most of it. Against Western Illinois, **Burns** had five points, including a three pointer, and two rebounds in 27 minutes, while **Seago** recorded four points and five rebounds in 17 minutes. **Burns** was all over the floor against Iowa State as she recorded six points, four rebounds, three steals

and three assists in 21 minutes, while Seago had four points and two rebounds in 12 minutes. Versus Wyoming, Burns was once again a force as she had a career-high 10 points, while recording three rebounds, two assists and three steals in 27 minutes. The pair had their best game against Wisconsin-Green Bay. Burns had nine points and saw extensive action at point guard, playing 31 minutes. Seago played 26 minutes and scored a career-high 10 points.

BURNS RANKS IN TOP TEN FOR STEALS--Kiauna Burns ranks eighth in the Big Ten for steals with 2.17 a game tying her with Paula Sanders of Michigan State. Wisconsin's Keisha Anderson leads the Big Ten with 3.36 a game.

NONGINTHIRATH MAKES APPEARANCE FOR GOPHERS--Senior Sy Nonginthirath, who walked on to the team after seeing an ad in the student newspaper, became the first walk-on to see some game time. Nonginthirath played almost two minutes against Wis.-Green Bay and then saw extended minutes against Indiana, where she had two points, a steal and a rebound.

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will make seven appearances on MSC this season, including when the Gophers play Wisconsin January 26, in the Big Ten Game of the Week.

Other games appearing on MSC:

Sunday, Jan. 12	Michigan State	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 19	Northwestern	2 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 16	Indiana	2 p.m.

MINNESOTA SIGNS TWO IN THE EARLY PERIOD--Minnesota has signed Theresa LeCuyer of Anoka, Minn., and Ayesha Whitfield from Detroit Cass Tech to national letters of intent for the fall of 1997. LeCuyer is a 6-1 forward, while Whitfield is a point guard.

Gymnastics

GYMNASTICS TEAM HOSTS BEST OF MINNESOTA MEET -- The 1997 Gopher women's gymnastics season opens this Saturday, January 11, with the Best of Minnesota meet. Minnesota will be joined by Hamline College, Gustavus Adolphus College and Winona State University in the event, which begins at 7 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON--Head coach Jim Stephenson is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, Stephenson owns a 62-80 overall record at Minnesota. Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES--Trina Tinti begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while Meg Stephenson begins her second season as second assistant after serving as a volunteer coach for three seasons. Tinti's background in choreography has enhanced the Gophers' floor exercise team. Since her arrival, Minnesota has broken all of its floor exercise records and produced the 1996 Big Ten floor exercise champion, Mindy Knaeble. Stephenson serves as coach and choreographer of the balance beam routines, as well as aerobics instructor and as a consultant in all areas of the gymnastics program. Since her arrival, the Gophers have broken the school's balance beam record eight times.

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS ROSTER

Name	Year	Ht.	Hometown/H.S./Club
Stacey Batza	Jr.	5-2	Oxford, CT/Seymour/C.A.T.S.
Judith Cavazos	Fr.	5-4	Monterrey, Mex./Mexicana del Noreste/Elite Gymnastics Acad.
Melissa Chang	Fr.	5-4	Blue Springs, MO/Blue Springs
Jonda Hammons	Sr.	5-5	Lodi, CA/Lodi/Pantheon School of Gymnastics
Cathy Keyser	So.	5-0	Plymouth, MN/Australian Inst. of Sport
Mindy Knaeble	Jr.	5-5	New Hope, MN/Totino-Grace/Twin City Twisters
Jenny Mazzone	So.	5-0	Sparks, NV/McQueen/Gymnastics Nevada
Mindy Myhre	Jr.	5-2	Mahtomedi, MN/Mahtomedi/Crowley's Gymnastics
Cami Phillippi	Fr.	5-0	Roseville, MN/Roseville Area
Lacey Purkat	Sr.	5-0	Annandale, VA/W.T. Woodson/Karon's Gymnastics
Kristi Selinger	Fr.	5-3	Aurora, CO/Gateway
Kim Sveum	Jr.	5-3	Minot, ND/Minot/Minot Majic Gym
Molly Umland	Jr.	5-3	Brooklyn Park, MN/Park Center/Olympic Gymnastics Academy
Kristen Vandersall	Sr.	5-5	Plymouth, MN/Armstrong/Northland Gymnastics Academy

1997 OUTLOOK -- MINNESOTA GOPHERS SET TO SHINE IN '97--Jim Stephenson is confident that 1997 is the year.

The fifth-year Gophers coach seeks his first Big Ten title and the team's first since 1991.

Minnesota scored 192.750 to finish fourth last year.

Stephenson said this team's goal is a 196 score as the Big Ten Championships come to the Sports Pavilion on March 22, 1997.

"We have the capability to win the Big Ten championship," Stephenson said. "As good as the Big Ten is overall, and this is the strongest women's gymnastics conference in the country, we have the capability to outscore all the other teams."

The Gophers return three all-Big Ten performers and lose only two seniors from last year's squad. In addition, Stephenson's team has worked hard in the offseason to improve the difficulty of their routines, increasing their scoring potential.

"The thing that's going to make this the best team we've ever had can be found in two things," Stephenson said. "First and most importantly is that our athletes trained very hard in the spring and summer to improve their difficulty level in the skills that they do and in the combination that they perform those skills. The second factor is that we have recruited some people that are going to make a significant difference in the look of our gymnastics. They do high difficulty gymnastics, and they do it very well.

"The outlook for this team is to continue to do the things that we've done over the past few years, which is form and execution, and we're going to see an increase in the difficulty of the performances by the entire squad in every event."

The Gophers are hoping for consistency in all four events. Here's an event-by-event look at the team:

BALANCE BEAM-Traditionally a Minnesota strength, the beam will again be a showcase for the Gophers' talent.

Sophomore **CATHY KEYSER (PLYMOUTH, MN/AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT)** set a school record for any apparatus with a 9.925 last season against Utah. She scored a 9.825 at Big Tens to finish third in the event.

Junior **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)**, who has a career average of 9.635 in the event, junior **LACEY PURKAT (ANNANDALE, VA/W.T. WOODSON)**, the Gophers' top scorer with a 9.694 average in the event in 1995-96, and frosh **MELISSA CHANG (BLUE SPRINGS, MO/BLUE SPRINGS)** add to the Gophers' depth in beam.

"I think we have world-class beam," Stephenson said. "I think it's a place where you're going to see an upgrade in the difficulty level. Our balance beam has been very consistent in the past, and we have counted on it to help us, now more so than ever before."

FLOOR EXERCISE-Stephenson calls this event Minnesota's best, and the head of the class last season was Knaeble.

Knaeble tied for the Big Ten championship last year with a 9.850 and scored lower than 9.8 only three times in 13 tries. Her scoring average in the event was 9.771.

"This year Mindy has a new routine that we feel is even better than the one she's done in the past," Stephenson said.

Senior co-captain **KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ROBBINSDALE ARMSTRONG)** and senior **JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI)** were right behind Knaeble in scoring average. Vandersall averaged 9.763 in 13 routines and Hammons 9.719 in 12 routines.

The Gophers have tremendous depth in the event, with six returnees who competed at least 10 times in floor exercise.

Stephenson credits his assistant coaches, **Trina Tinti** and **Meg Stephenson**, with the choreography and music selection that separates the Gophers from the pack in this event.

"I think you'll find the soundtrack of Gopher women's gymnastics is excellent, and to enhance that with what Trina's done with choreography really makes floor exercise a great experience when you're watching us," Stephenson said.

UNEVEN BARS-The duo of **Vandersall** and **Keyser** should lead the way for the Gophers to move to the next level in this event.

The pair tied for third in the event at the Big Ten Championships last season with identical 9.900 scores.

Vandersall was the Gophers top performer on the bars last season, with an average of 9.781. She never scored below 9.725.

Keyser tied her season-best with the 9.9 at Big Tens and improved throughout the season.

Purkat also is talented in the event and should be even better this year, while junior **MOLLY UMLAND (BROOKLYN PARK, MN/BROOKLYN PARK)** averaged a 9.548 last season and has, according to Stephenson, "the most unique bar routine on the team.

"I think we've got five different people that can score 9.9 or better," Stephenson said. "This team is at the point where we're starting to push the judges to give us a 10.0 on some things. I think there's a real good chance that that's going to happen."

VAULT-The Gophers look to take a big step in this area with the development of the veterans and the influx of new blood.

"This is going to be the first year that we're able to have six competitors up on vaulting," Stephenson said. "All of them can perform vaults valued at 9.9 or 10.0 and that in itself is going to make a big difference."

Junior **KIM SVEUM (MINOT, N.D./MINOT)** was the team's top scorer on vault last season, with a 9.710 average, with a high of 9.9 against Utah. Knaeble was close behind, with a 9.690 average. They will be supported by the improvement of junior **STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR)** and the addition of frosh **KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/AURORA)**.

"Kristi Selinger is going to be a huge asset," Stephenson said. "She does a 10.0 vault. That kind of value is going to take the place of a 9.5 vault from last year. That has the potential to jump our team score by half a point, and in gymnastics, if you jump a tenth of a point, that's a big move."

Stephenson was unsure if any of his athletes would compete in the all-around. That competition is no longer part of the team score, so the emphasis in college gymnastics is to fit the athletes into their best events and capitalize on team depth.

With this year's returnees and the incoming recruits performing potentially higher-scoring returns, Stephenson and the Gophers have the potential to do exactly that.

"One of our goals is to average a 9.8," Stephenson said. "We think that our score potential is around a 196. We want to achieve that score by having excellent form, great amplitude, consistency of performance and valid difficulty."

CAVAZOS JOINS TEAM FOR FIRST MEET—Frosh **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/UNIVERSIDAD MEXICANA DEL NORESTE)** is now eligible to compete for the Gophers and joins the team for the intrasquad meet. Cavazos (pronounced Ca-VA-zos) was the number one-ranked female gymnast in Mexico and was a five-time member of the Mexican national team. She has competed in

six World Championships, the World University Games and the Pan-American Games.

"Judith is one of the most beautiful gymnasts that we've ever seen," Stephenson said. "She is a fantastic dancer. She's great on every event and very likely will perform on all four events."

Cavazos, the daughter of Hector and Isabel Cavazos, will major in sports psychology at Minnesota.

INTRASQUAD RESULTS—The Gophers had their final tune-up for the season last Saturday, when they competed in the annual intrasquad meet. The squad split into two teams for the event but combined for a team score of 189.875.

Mindy Knaeble led the individual performances winning the all-around competition with a score of 38.000. She captured the crown on the balance beam with a 9.725 and shared the title on floor exercise with Kristen Vandersall, each posting a 9.650.

Stacey Batza scored a 9.725 to win the vault, tying Knaeble for the highest individual score in the meet. The uneven parallel bars were won by newcomer Judith Cavazos with a 9.675.

Minnesota team score: 189.875

All-around

- 1. Mindy Knaeble 38.000
- 2. Judith Cavazos 37.175
- 3. Melissa Chang 36.975

Vault

- 1. Stacey Batza 9.725
- 2. Mindy Knaeble 9.625
- Kim Sveum 9.625

Uneven Bars

- 1. Judith Cavazos 9.675
- 2. Lacey Purkat 9.500
- Melissa Chang 9.500

Balance Beam

- 1. Mindy Knaeble 9.725
- 2. Kristi Selinger 9.400
- 3. Jenny Mazzone 9.350

Floor Exercise

- 1. Mindy Knaeble 9.650
- Kristen Vandersall 9.650
- 3. Judith Cavazos 9.600

Track and Field

GOPHERS TO HOST NORTHWEST OPEN — Minnesota begins the 1997 indoor season by hosting the Northwest Open on Saturday at the Minnesota Fieldhouse. The field events and developmental section begin at 9:30 a.m. with the invitational section beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Schedule of Events, Northwest Open

9:30 a.m.	Long Jump
10:30 a.m.	High Jump
10:30 a.m.	Shot Put
10:30 a.m.	Pole Vault
(after long jump)	Triple Jump
11:30 a.m.	Garry Bjorklund 3000m Run
12:00 p.m.	55m hurdles (trials)
	55m dash (trials)
1:00 p.m.	One Mile Run
1:30 p.m.	55m hurdles (finals)
1:45 p.m.	55m dash (finals)
1:55 p.m.	400m dash
2:15 p.m.	600m dash
2:35 p.m.	800m run
2:55 p.m.	4x400 relay

SEASON PREVIEW — Minnesota has a young squad in 1997, with only five seniors and six juniors on a team of 48. Sophomores **APASHA BLOCKER (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT)** and **YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON)** made an immediate impact last season. Blocker holds school records in both the pentathlon and heptathlon. White holds Minnesota's top 100-meter hurdles time and the school's second-fastest 400-meter hurdles time, both outdoor events. White also had the team's top four indoor times in the 400 meters last season. Senior **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** returns to the throwing events after a year's absence. Parkos won the 1995 Big Ten championship in the discus and holds Minnesota's fourth-best mark in that event. Parkos also has the school's fourth-longest shot put throw and the eighth-longest javelin toss. Sophomore **KIMBERLY HEATH (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY)**, formerly Kim Martin, is also back after redshirting last year. Heath is the school record-holder in the indoor 55 and 200 meters. Minnesota is missing four-time all-American **Lori Townsend**, who graduated last spring, but the Gophers' success in cross country this season should translate to strength in the distance races. Sophomore **ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)**, a transfer from Purdue, broke Townsend's Minnesota Les Bolstad Cross Country Course record twice during the fall. The distance group also includes seniors **JANET HOWE (SIREN, WI/SIREN)** and **KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/CLINTON-GRACEVILLE)** and junior **KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON)**. Thompson was an all-Big Ten cross country selection after finishing 14th in the conference meet. Minnesota adds two Europeans to the middle distance group, **MINNA HARONOJA (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA SECONDARY SCHOOL)** and **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN**. Haronoja enjoyed an outstanding initial season in cross country, finishing no worse than third on the team in any meet. Panhuysen is the Dutch national junior record-holder in the 1500 and 3000 meters.

Swimming and Diving

GOPHERS REGAIN TOP-10 RANKING IN LATEST COACHES POLL--

The University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team has regained its top-10 ranking in the Dec. 17 Speedo America's Top Twenty-Five College Swimming and Diving Teams Coaches Poll. The Gophers had been 10th in the Nov. 12 poll but slipped to 11th in the Nov. 27 poll. Five other Big Ten Conference teams are among the top 25 teams, with Michigan tied for fifth with Arizona followed by North-western (15), Illinois (22), Wisconsin (23) and Penn State (24). Ohio State also received votes.

KANSAS VISITS AQUATICS CENTER FOR DUAL MEET -

The 19th-ranked University of Kansas women's swimming and diving team travels to the University Aquatic Center for a coed dual meet at 7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 10. The 10th-ranked Gophers are 5-0 this year in dual meets while the Jayhawks are 3-0 overall in dual meets. Both teams have also won one invitational each.

Kansas has defeated Missouri (164-131), Iowa State (169-119) and Texas A&M (173-117) and won the Open Water Invitational. The Gophers defeated #16 North Carolina (158-142), Iowa State (152-145), #23 Penn State (177-118), #11 Nebraska (186-114), Hawaii (149-55) and won the Minnesota Invitational.

This is the sixth meeting of the two teams, with the Jayhawks holding a 4-1 won/loss record with the Gophers. Last year, Kansas defeated Minnesota 172-128 at Lawrence, Kansas. The Gophers only win against the Jayhawks was during the 1994-95 season when they won at home, 164-136.

GOPHERS HOST GOLD COUNTRY INVITATIONAL -

The men's and women's swimming and diving teams host the 11th Annual Gold Country Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 11, with the action starting at 11 a.m. Women's teams joining the Gophers in the pool are Carleton, Concordia-Moorhead, Kansas, Mankato, Northern Michigan, St. Cloud and St. Olaf. The women's swimming and diving team has won eight of the 10 Gold Country Invitationals, with Kansas winning in 1993 and Penn State in 1992.

ALL-TIME GOLD COUNTRY WINNERS

Year	Winner	Score
1995-96	Minnesota	1,465
1994-95	Minnesota	1,341.5
1993-94	Minnesota	1,250.5
1992-93	Kansas	1,007
1991-92	Penn State	1,083
1990-91	Minnesota	1,326.5
1989-90	Minnesota	842
1988-89	Minnesota	1046
1987-88	Minnesota	498
1986-87	Minnesota	882

MINNESOTA CONCLUDES WINTER TRAINING TRIP WITH A WIN OVER HAWAII - The women's swimming team, sans divers, defeated the University of Hawaii Rainbow Wahine's, 149-55, winning 10 of the 12 events on Thursday, Dec. 19 in Honolulu. Minnesota holds a substantial 6-0 won/loss record with Hawaii. The Gophers were in Hawaii from Dec. 16-24 for their annual winter training trip. The Minnesota divers are holding their winter training at the University Aquatic Center. First-year swimming **AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NEW YORK)** was a triple-event winner, taking first in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle events and was a member of the winning 200-yard medley relay team.

GOPHER EVENT WINNERS

200-yard medley relay: 1:48.79

Junior **SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN & MISSION VIEJO)**

Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)**

Senior **CARRIE RAETH (KALISPELL, MT/FLAT-HEAD)**

Frosh Amy Cottrill

1000-yard freestyle: Frosh **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)**, 9:51.51

200-yard freestyle: Senior **ALICIA HICKEN (CAMPBELLVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN)**, 1:55.88.

50-yard freestyle: Amy Cottrill, 24.92.

200-yard individual medley: Frosh **MARTA KNOWLES (DENVER, CO/ST. MARY'S ACADEMY)**, 2:15.77.

100-yard butterfly: Frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)**, 59.50.

100-yard freestyle: Amy Cottrill, 54.67.

500-yard freestyle: Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)**, 5:01.00.

100-yard breaststroke: Sophomore **MICHELLE FISCHER (OSHKOSH, WI/NORTH)** 1:07.97

200-yard freestyle relay - 1:41.49

Senior **SUZIE HELVIG (MANDAN, ND)**

Jenny Hennen

Carrie Raeth

Senior **CAROLYN DONALD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)**

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 12 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	12/ 12	61/ 138	.442	0/ 3	.000	60/ 86	.698	182	15.2	70	84	154	12.8	35/ 0	15	40	3	11	394		
Mindy Hansen	12/ 12	52/ 166	.313	6/ 37	.162	26/ 44	.591	136	11.3	15	36	51	4.3	24/ 1	37	59	4	18	396		
Sarah Klun	12/ 12	43/ 100	.430	0/ 4	.000	18/ 21	.857	104	8.7	18	28	46	3.8	30/ 1	20	34	1	13	303		
Lynda Hass	10/ 1	28/ 68	.412	6/ 22	.273	18/ 27	.667	80	8.0	17	24	41	4.1	18/ 1	10	18	2	11	205		
Sonja Robinson	12/ 11	30/ 89	.337	0/ 3	.000	20/ 31	.645	80	6.7	21	39	60	5.0	29/ 1	19	36	6	10	337		
Kiauna Burns	12/ 0	25/ 67	.373	5/ 22	.227	16/ 32	.500	71	5.9	6	24	30	2.5	27/ 2	30	52	2	26	305		
Jaime Ellis	12/ 12	18/ 59	.305	9/ 42	.214	10/ 13	.769	55	4.6	1	10	11	.9	22/ 0	36	31	2	9	292		
Andrea Seago	12/ 0	16/ 32	.500	0/ 0	.000	6/ 9	.667	38	3.2	7	21	28	2.3	18/ 0	4	12	6	1	162		
Si Nonginthirat	2/ 0	1/ 1	1.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	2	1.0	0	1	1	.5	1/ 0	0	4	0	1	6		
Team Rebounds													88								
Golden Gophers	12/ 12	274/ 720	.381	26/ 133	.196	174/ 263	.662	748	62.3	155	267	510	42.5	204/ 6	171	286	26	100	--		
Team Rebounds													55								
Opponent Totals	12/ 12	327/ 826	.396	47/ 175	.269	149/ 223	.668	850	70.8	205	281	541	45.1	233/ 6	172	246	52	163	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	5.1	11.5	.0	.3	5.0	7.2	15.2	12.8	1.3	3.3	.3	.9	32.8
Mindy Hansen	4.3	13.8	.5	3.1	2.2	3.7	11.3	4.3	3.1	4.9	.3	1.5	33.0
Sarah Klun	3.6	8.3	.0	.3	1.5	1.8	8.7	3.8	1.7	2.8	.1	1.1	25.3
Lynda Hass	2.8	6.8	.6	2.2	1.8	2.7	8.0	4.1	1.0	1.8	.2	1.1	20.5
Sonja Robinson	2.5	7.4	.0	.3	1.7	2.6	6.7	5.0	1.6	3.0	.5	.8	28.1
Kiauna Burns	2.1	5.6	.4	1.8	1.3	2.7	5.9	2.5	2.5	4.3	.2	2.2	25.4
Jaime Ellis	1.5	4.9	.8	3.5	.8	1.1	4.6	.9	3.0	2.6	.2	.8	24.3
Andrea Seago	1.3	2.7	.0	.0	.5	.8	3.2	2.3	.3	1.0	.5	.1	13.5
Si Nonginthirath	.5	.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.5	.0	2.0	.0	.5	3.0
Golden Gophers	22.8	60.0	2.2	11.1	14.5	21.9	62.3	42.5	14.3	23.8	2.2	8.3	----
Opponent Totals	27.3	68.8	3.9	14.6	12.4	18.6	70.8	45.1	14.3	20.5	4.3	13.6	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	366	382	0	0	748	32
Opponent Totals	380	470	0	0	850	25

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE
2-10	9781	815
Big Ten	HOME 6764	HOME AVERAGE 1127
Dial Soap Classic	AWAY 3017	AWAY AVERAGE 503
UNLV Classic		

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	Wyoming	68- 66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	James Madison	56- 64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60- 78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62- 75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63- 66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	@Stephen F. Austin	63- 80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	12/20	@Fairfield	74- 68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48- 61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63- 82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61- 67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11

* Big Ten I Dial Soap Classic @ UNLV Classic

University of Minnesota
1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 5-0 Big Ten: 1-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame			
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State			
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Wisconsin			
11/9/96	@ #23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue			
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Illinois			
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa			
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge			
1/10/97	#19 Kansas				2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite				3/2/97	@ Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #15 Northwestern				3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)

Jenny Hennen	23.69 •
Amy Cottrill	24.24
Terri Jashinsky	24.34
Devon Coellner	24.34
Heather Miller	24.53

100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)

Jenny Hennen	51.41 •
Terri Jashinsky	52.49
Amy Cottrill	52.57 \$
Devon Coellner	53.05
Olga Splichalova	53.11

200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)

Jenny Hennen	1:50.11 •
Olga Splichalova	1:50.19 •
Terri Jashinsky	1:52.98
Alicia Hicken	1:53.56
Amy Cottrill	1:55.05

500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)

Olga Splichalova	4:50.45 •
Kimberly Wilson	4:56.98
Jenny Hennen	4:58.75
Alicia Hicken	4:59.68
Jessica Grass	5:01.59

1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68\$)

Olga Splichalova	9:50.10
Jenny Hennen	9:51.51
Kimberly Wilson	10:06.79
Alicia Hicken	10:14.87
Jessica Grass	10:19.90

1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)

Olga Splichalova	16:27.68 •
Kimberly Wilson	16:46.66 •
Alicia Hicken	17:06.47
Marta Knowles	17:47.14
Elizabeth Weld	18:08.52

100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)

Shona Baillie	58.07
Beth Shimanski	58.21
Marta Knowles	1:00.38
Amy Cottrill	1:01.63
Carrie Raeth	1:02.04

200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)

Marta Knowles	2:05.11
Beth Shimanski	2:09.21
Kimberly Wilson	2:09.47
Amy Cottrill	2:10.13
Kathleen Preston	2:19.42

100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)

Gretchen Hegener	1:02.21 #
Devon Coellner	1:05.66
Kate McMillan	1:06.01
Michelle Fischer	1:07.97
Katie Olson	1:08.80

200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:16.10)

Gretchen Hegener	2:16.10 *
Kate McMillan	2:22.33
Devon Coellner	2:23.22
Michelle Fischer	2:25.48
Jessica Grass	2:25.94

100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)

Tanya Schuh	54.86 •
Terry Jashinsky	56.31 •
Jenny Hennen	57.92
Carrie Raeth	58.58
Jessica Grass	58.94

200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)

Jessica Grass	2:02.73 •
Terri Jashinsky	2:03.05 •
Jenny Hennen	2:04.25
Tanya Schuh	2:05.33
Marta Knowles	2:17.45

200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)

Jenny Hennen	2:06.46
Jessica Grass	2:07.38
Devon Coellner	2:08.44
Terri Jashinsky	2:08.72
Michelle Fischer	2:12.03

400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)

Olga Splichalova	4:21.91
Jessica Grass	4:22.52
Marta Knowles	4:30.41
Kimberly Wilson	4:31.39

200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)

1:35.14 – Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen

400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)

3:28.50 – Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Krissy Berglund, Jenny Hennen

800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)

7:29.86* – Jenny Hennen, Terri Jashinsky, Alicia Hicken, Olga Splichalova

200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)

1:43.18* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)

3:46.10* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)

Andrea Berg	268.900 %
Carrie Hansen	267.100 %
Jenny Cook	253.725 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	230.620
Andrea Wheeler	173.950

1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)

Andrea Berg	428.750 %
Carrie Hansen	393.200 %
Jenny Cook	351.35
Shelby Evadine Miller	305.00
Andrea Wheeler	213.10

3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)

Carrie Hansen	291.400 %
Andrea Berg	280.130 %
Jenny Cook	272.625 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	254.550
Andrea Wheeler	183.150

3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)

Andrea Berg	487.10 %
Carrie Hansen	441.60 %
Jenny Cook	430.90 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	352.10
Andrea Wheeler	280.10

Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)

Carrie Hansen	325.35 %
Jenny Cook	287.10
Andrea Wheeler	264.25

Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time
 •NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, January 17

TN hosts Vanderbilt 6:30 p.m.
(98th Street Racquet Club)

BKB at Ohio State 6:30 p.m.
(Columbus, Ohio)

Saturday, January 18

SW at Northwestern 2 p.m.
(Evanston, Ill.)

GYM at Michigan 6 p.m.
(Ann Arbor, Mich.)

Sunday, January 19

BKB hosts Northwestern* 2 p.m.
SW at Notre Dame
(South Bend, Ind.)

• Live on MSC

All Times CST

IVERSON NAMED MINNESOTA WOMEN'S ATHLETICS ATHLETE OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER

ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA) was named Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for December. Iverson averaged 14.5 points and 12.8 rebounds during the month. She recorded four double-doubles in the month and set the Minnesota record for rebounds in a game with 25 against Colorado State and a career-high 24 points against Wisconsin-Green Bay. She was also named to the all-tournament team at the Dial Soap Basketball Classic and the Lady Rebel Classic in Las Vegas, Nev.

What's Coming Up

- Basketball to host Northwestern Sunday
- #37 Tennis opens spring season at home
- Gymnastics takes on NCAA runner-up Michigan
- Swimming has tough tests at Northwestern and Notre Dame

Last Week's Highlights

- Swimming's Hegener and Gymnastics' Knaeble set school records
- Basketball's Iverson ranks second in NCAA rebounding
- Track and Field newcomers burn up the track

Basketball

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO OHIO STATE, HOSTS NORTHWESTERN--Minnesota, 2-13 overall and 0-5 in the Big Ten Conference, travels to Columbus, Ohio, to play Ohio State Friday, January 17, before returning home to play Northwestern at the Sports Pavilion.

SUNDAY FEATURES THE SPRITE HALFTIME JAM SESSION--Sunday's Northwestern basketball game features the Sprite Halftime Jam Session. Sponsored by Sprite, fans will have a chance to participate in a shooting contest and win \$10,000. There will also be a postgame shootout tournament for kids. T-shirts and mini basketballs will be given away to fans, courtesy of Sprite.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota used a new three-guard starting lineup against Illinois and Michigan State that was very effective. **Mindy Hansen, Jaime Ellis** and **Kiauna Burns** all started against Illinois and MSU. The lineup now features two juniors in **Angie Iverson** and **Ellis**, two sophomores (**Hansen** and **Sarah Klun**) and a first-year athlete (**Burns**). The probable starting lineup:

#23	G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./ Litchfield
#12	G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
#15	G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
#53	C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./ Owatonna
#45	F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
The Reserves					
#21	F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz./ Chaparral
#22	G	Stephanie Strommen	5-8	So.	Bloomington, Minn./ Kennedy/Arizona St.
#24	C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./ Rufus King
#25	G	Sy Nonginithirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./ Southwest Christian/Dordt College
#32	F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./ St. Francis
#35	C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./ Guilford
#33	F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season. Minnesota suffered a number of injuries early in the year, three of which were season- or career-ending. Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **Angie Iverson**. **Iverson** leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 15.3 points and 12.8 boards a game. **Iverson** is second in the nation in rebounding and leads the Big Ten. Junior point guard **Jaime Ellis** is suffering from a stress fracture and is limited to only 16 minutes a contest, but is still averaging 2.7 assists a game. Add that to **Sarah Klun**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season, and a talented sophomore crew of **Mindy Hansen, Lynda Hass** and **Sonja Robinson**, and the Gophers look to improve last year's 11th -place finish.

Hansen is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11 points a game, while **Klun** is at 8.7. **Hass** is third on the team in scoring at 9.4 and had a career-high 19 points off the bench against Illinois, followed by 14 points versus Michigan State.

Minnesota also adds two newcomers to the roster this season in **Kiauna Burns** and **Andrea Seago**. **Burns** has seen action in all 15 games and is averaging 28 minutes a contest, while averaging six points a game. Against Illinois and Michigan State, **Burns** played 42 and 39 minutes, respectively, averaging nine points a game. **Seago**, at 6-3, is the only true center on the Minnesota roster. She is averaging 13 minutes and three points a game.

GOPHERS ADD FOUR WALK-ONS--Minnesota added four walk-ons to the roster in **Sy Nonginithirath, Margaret Blom, Teresa O'Hearn** and **Stephanie Strommen** for the 1997 season.

Nonginithirath is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. **Nonginithirath** is the only walk-on to see action thus far as she has played in two games. Against Indiana, **Nonginithirath** played five minutes with two points, a steal and a rebound.

Blom is a 6-1 first-year center. **Blom** saw her first action against Nebraska, playing 11 minutes and recording one rebound.

O'Hearn, who was the keeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. **O'Hearn** is a 6-0 forward. She saw her first playing time against Nebraska recording a rebound in five minutes.

Strommen joined the Gophers this week after transferring from Arizona State. **Strommen**, who is from Bloomington, Minn., and Kennedy High School and played with former Gopher **Kay Schmidt** in high school, is a 5-8 guard and a sophomore in eligibility. She will wear #22. **Strommen** did not play basketball at Arizona State.

MINNESOTA ADDS ANOTHER PLAYER FOR 1997-98 SEASON--**Erin Olson**, a 5-9 point guard, has transferred to Minnesota from Wyoming. **Olson**, a sophomore, will be eligible to play for the Gophers winter quarter of next season.

THE HEAD COACH--**Linda Hill-MacDonald** enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 64-115 record at Minnesota. **Hill-MacDonald** led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, **Hill-MacDonald** has a record of 229-245 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS--**Hill-MacDonald's** assistant coaches are **Tréka McMillian**, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint** moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season, and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing

professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. Pearson was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers have struggled with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries and has suffered continuous injuries throughout the season. Here is the injury timeline of the Gophers this season:

September 13, 1996--All-Big Ten honorable mention center Cheri Stafford is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

September, 1996--Point guard Swantreca Taylor takes a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. Taylor was the backup to Jaime Ellis last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

October 15, 1996--Forward Sarah Schieber tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. Schieber had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. Schieber was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

November 20, 1996--Forward Lynda Hass is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. Hass missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor for the Gophers and is currently fourth on the squad in scoring.

December, 1996--Starting point guard Jaime Ellis, who has averaged 34 minutes a game thus far this season, is diagnosed with a stress fracture and is limited to 16 minutes a game.

December 30, 1996--Reserve Andrea Seago suffered a nasal fracture when Angie Iverson caught her with an elbow. She is cleared to play but will have to wear a protective face guard the next six weeks.

January 3, 1997--Teresa O'Hearn suffers a sprain of the right ankle. She missed the Indiana game but returned for the Nebraska contest.

January 3, 1997--Reserve Margaret Blom missed the Indiana game due to migraine headaches. She returned against Nebraska.

January 7, 1997--Jaime Ellis missed the Nebraska game due to a stress fracture.

THE OPPONENTS

OHIO STATE--Life after the Big Ten's all-time leading scorer Katie Smith has been tough for Ohio State. Ohio State is 9-6 on the season but only 1-4 in the Big Ten after losing to both Michigan State and Northwestern over the weekend. OSU has lost its last three games and five of its last seven.

Head Coach Nancy Darsch is in her 12th season at Ohio State, compiling a 231-115 record during her tenure. She led her team to the second round of the NCAA Tournament last season, eventually falling to national champion Tennessee, 97-65.

Ohio State has a strong inside game coupled with the outside shooting of guard Marcie Albers. On the season, OSU is shooting 47 percent from the field and 30 percent from three-point land. Forward Larecia Jones leads all Ohio State scorers

with 13 points and 8.3 rebounds a game. Jones is also shooting 57 percent from the field. Albers, who is averaging 12 points a game, is 40-for-132 from three-point range and currently ranks in the top 20 in the nation for three-pointers per game at 2.7. Michaela Moua is the other Buckeye in double figures at 11 points a game.

THE SERIES--Ohio State has completely dominated the Gophers compiling a 29-4 record. OSU has won the last eight contests, including three of them last year. Ohio State defeated the Gophers, 78-64, in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament.

NORTHWESTERN--This has been the year of streaks for the Northwestern Wildcats in posting a 9-5 overall record and a 2-3 Big Ten mark. Northwestern opened the season winning six of its first seven games, but has dropped four of its next seven. The Wildcats will play at Wisconsin on Friday before coming to Minneapolis.

Head Coach Don Perrelli is in his 13th season at NU, posting an impressive 222-137 record. Last season, Perrelli directed the Cats to a second-place finish at the 1996 NIT Tournament in Amarillo, Tex.

Northwestern has a high-scoring offense especially from the three-point line. Northwestern is second in the nation in three-point shooting, connecting on over 41 percent from outside (114-of-278). Northwestern trails only East Tennessee State in trey percentage (44.7).

NU's three long-range shooters are all averaging over 15 points a game, including senior Michele Ratay. Ratay is averaging 21 points a game and shooting over 42 percent from the three-point arc, connecting on 48-of-112 on the season. Ratay is 26th in the nation in scoring and second in the nation in three-pointers made per game at 3.6. Not to be outdone, Kristina Divjak is at 18.4 points a game, shooting 42 percent from three-point range, while sophomore Megan Chawansky is at 16.6 points a contest and shooting 37 percent from three-land. Divjak is 18th in the nation in three-pointers made per game with 2.8. Northwestern also has a strong inside game with 6-1 Katrina Hannaford. Hannaford is just back into the NU lineup after missing four games due to an illness. She is averaging 10 points and six rebounds a game.

THE SERIES--Northwestern leads the series 23-9 and has won the last three meetings. Last year, Northwestern defeated Minnesota, 73-49, at the Sports Pavilion and 84-71 at Welch-Ryan Arena in Evanston, Ill.

MINNESOTA PICKED TO FINISH 11TH IN BIG TEN--Minnesota was picked to finish 11th in the preseason Big Ten standings. Iowa was picked to finish first, followed by Wisconsin, Penn State, Northwestern, Michigan State, Illinois, Purdue, Indiana, Michigan and Minnesota.

MINNESOTA TRYING TO END BIG TEN LOSING SKID--Minnesota is trying to end a 27-game Big Ten losing streak. The last time the Gophers won a Big Ten game was against Illinois, 92-46, on February 10, 1995. Last year, Minnesota went 0-17 in the Big Ten, including a loss to Ohio State in the Big Ten Tournament, becoming only the second team to go winless in the conference. Michigan was the other team to not win a conference

game during the 1993-94 season.

BIG TEN UPDATE-- Michigan State is in sole possession of first place after defeating the Gophers Sunday. Here are the updated standings as of January 13:

	Big Ten	Overall
1. Michigan State	5-1	12-3
Illinois	4-2	12-4
Purdue	4-2	8-6
4. Wisconsin	3-2	10-3
Iowa	3-2	8-6
Michigan	3-2	11-3
7. Northwestern	2-3	9-5
Indiana	2-3	9-6
9. Penn State	1-2	8-5
10. Ohio State	1-4	9-6
11. Minnesota	0-5	2-13

GOPHER REWIND--MICHIGAN STATE--Michigan State jumped out to a 42-13 lead behind 10 points from Nicole Cushing-Adkins and pushed the lead to 14 by halftime to defeat Minnesota, 76-65, at the Sports Pavilion.

Michigan State went on a 12-4 run to open the second half and extended its lead to 24 points before Minnesota improved its play over the final nine minutes closing the gap to 76-65. Michigan State shot 51 percent for the game while Minnesota shot only 39 percent.

Leading the way for the Gophers was Angie Iverson, who had 24 points and 12 rebounds. Iverson's 24 points tied a career-high. Lynda Hass had 14 off the bench, while Sarah Klun had 11 for Minnesota. Adkins had 16 points in 18 minutes for Michigan State, followed by Jamie Wesley with 13 and Maxann Reese with 10.

ILLINOIS--Minnesota played its best game of the season and pushed Illinois to overtime before losing 89-85 at the Sports Pavilion.

Illinois led by eight with 6:36 to go before Minnesota went on a 10-2 run to tie the game at 68-68 with 2:50 remaining. Minnesota then took the lead at 73-72 with 1:14 remaining on a Lynda Hass three-pointer. Illinois answered when Alicia Sheeler converted at 17-foot jumper to put Illinois back ahead by one with 32.9 seconds to go. After Illinois' Nicole Vasey missed the front-end of a one-and-one, Angie Iverson was fouled with 9.4 seconds. Iverson missed the first and made the second, tying the game at 74-74. Illinois had a final push down the court to win the game in regulation, but Ashley Berggren double-dribbled, sending the game into the extra period.

In overtime, Illinois connected on a three point play by Tajuja Catchings. Minnesota went ahead 78-77 when Hass made a 16-footer, but Illinois got some key turnovers and converted its free throws down the stretch to take the game.

Iverson had 22 points and 14 rebounds for the Gophers, while Hass scored a career-high 19 points off the bench. Kiauna Burns, Sonja Robinson and Mindy Hansen each finished with 10 for the Gophers. Hansen just missed her second consecutive double-double with nine rebounds.

Berggren scored 22 for the Orange and Blue, while Vasey

chipped in 16 and Sheeler 13.

NEBRASKA--Mindy Hansen had the first double-double of her career with 16 points and a career-high 10 rebounds, but it was to no avail as Minnesota dropped its fourth straight game at the hands of Nebraska, 68-47, in Lincoln, Neb.

Nebraska, who was ranked #25 in the nation until a loss to Colorado, used a swarming defense that held Angie Iverson, Minnesota's leading scorer, to only two points and no field goals. Minnesota shot only 30 percent for the game and struggled with turnovers the entire evening. Nebraska, which had forced 32 turnovers a game by its opponents, caused 32 by Minnesota, including 16 in the second half, and recorded 22 steals.

In the opening period, Nebraska jumped out to an early 17-12 lead before going on a 10-0 run over the next four minutes to take a 36-24 lead into the locker room.

In the second half, Nebraska forced Minnesota turnovers on seven of the first nine possessions and scored six points to pull away from the Gophers.

Minnesota was limited in numbers again as only two guards dressed for the game. Starting point guard Jaime Ellis missed the game with a stress fracture and Sy Nonginthirath missed the game due to academic responsibilities. Hansen and newcomer Kiauna Burns, who made her first career start, played the two guard positions putting in 37 minutes a piece, both career highs. The two guards also combined for 18 turnovers for the Gophers.

Iverson, who was averaging 16 points a game, went 0-3 from the field and recorded only two points after getting into foul trouble early in the first half. It was the lowest point total of the season for Iverson. She did have 12 rebounds against the Huskers.

NU had 11 different players score as Anna DeForge had 11 points for Nebraska, while Brooke Schwartz had 10 points.

TEAM NOTES--On the season, statistics do not tell the whole story as the Gophers have been ahead in the second half in 10 of 15 games this season and leading at halftime in five of the contests, despite posting a 2-13 record.

Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 38 percent. Minnesota has shot above 45 percent only once the entire season. The Gophers are also struggling from the free-throw line, shooting 68 percent. Minnesota has been outscored 72-63 by its opponents and turnovers are plaguing this squad at a rate of 25 a game.

OTHER GOPHER NOTES--

IVERSON NAMED MINNESOTA WOMEN'S ATHLETICS ATHLETE OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER--Angie Iverson was named Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for December. Iverson averaged 14.5 points and 12.8 rebounds during the month. She recorded four double-doubles in the month and set the Minnesota record for rebounds in a game with 25 against Colorado State and a career-high 24 points against Wisconsin-Green Bay. She was also named to the all-tournament team at the Dial Soap Basketball Classic and the Lady Rebel Classic in Las Vegas, Nev.

IVERSON SECOND IN THE NATION IN REBOUNDING--Center Angie Iverson, at 6-0, is second in the nation in rebound-

ing as of January 6. Iverson, who is averaging 12.8 boards a game, is second only to Etolia Mitchell of Georgia State, who is 6-2 and averaging 14 rebounds a contest.

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--Angie Iverson has posted 10 double-doubles in 15 games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 15.3 points and 12.8 rebounds a game. Her 12.8 rebounds a game is second in the nation and leads the Big Ten Conference. Iverson now has 16 double-doubles in her career. Iverson's best totals were at Colorado State, where she ripped down a Minnesota record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and 16 points. Iverson also had double-doubles against Marquette (11-12), Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14) and Fairfield (13-15), Indiana (21-11), Illinois (22-14), Michigan State (24-12) and Michigan (17-17). She has also missed two other double-doubles by one point or rebound in 1996-97.

Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON BREAKS REBOUNDING RECORD--Angie Iverson's career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record of 23 set in 1984 by Molly Tadich against Northwestern.

HANSEN RECORDS FIRST DOUBLE-DOUBLE--Mindy Hansen recorded her first double-double against Nebraska Tuesday evening with 16 points and a career-high 10 rebounds in 37 minutes. Hansen's previous career-high in rebounds was eight versus Stephen F. Austin December 19.

HANSEN GOING CRAZY--Sophomore Mindy Hansen is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11.1 a game. Hansen has been in double figures in 10 of 15 games this season for the Gophers and has led the team four times in scoring. Last year, Hansen averaged almost six points a game and had a career-high of 19 points versus Northern Iowa.

KLUN PLAYING SOLID--Sophomore Sarah Klun, who missed last season with a torn ACL, made an impressive return to the floor as she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes against Western Illinois in the first game of the year. Against Iowa State, Klun had 10 points, five rebounds and four assists in 30 minutes before fouling out. She is currently fourth on the team in scoring at 8.7 points a game and was in double figures during both games of the Lady Rebel Classic. Against Indiana, Klun had 16 points and a career-high nine rebounds in 26 minutes of action. Klun played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

KLUN AUTOMATIC FROM THE FREE-THROW LINE--Sarah Klun loves to go to the free-throw line as she has missed only three free throws during her career at Minnesota. Klun is 31-34 (.911) from the line.

HASS SPARK OFF THE BENCH--Sophomore Lynda Hass, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, has been a spark plug for Minnesota off the bench. Hass is third on the team in scoring with 9.4 points a game. She had a career-high 19 points against Illinois Friday evening and followed that with 14 versus Michigan State Sunday. Hass did start the Indiana game for the Gophers struggling the entire game after getting into early foul trouble. Hass, who only played in 13 games as a first-year athlete due to a stress fracture, averaged only 1.4 points and two rebounds a game last year.

BURNS MAKES FIRST CAREER STARTS FOR GOPHERS LAST WEEK--Newcomer Kiauna Burns made her first three career starts as a Gopher against Nebraska, Illinois and Michigan State. Burns replaced Jaime Ellis, who is suffering from a stress fracture, in the starting rotation Tuesday against Nebraska and then teamed with her in the backcourt Friday and Sunday Burns played 42 minutes against Illinois and 39 minutes against Michigan State over the weekend.

BURNS RANKS IN TOP TEN FOR STEALS--Kiauna Burns ranks fourth in the Big Ten for steals with 2.43 a game. Wisconsin's Keisha Anderson leads the Big Ten with 3.42 a game.

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will make seven appearances on MSC this season, including when the Gophers play Wisconsin, January 26, in the Big Ten Game of the Week.

Other remaining games appearing on MSC:

Sunday, Jan. 19	Northwestern	2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan 26	at Wisconsin	3 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 16	Indiana	2 p.m.

MINNESOTA SIGNS TWO IN THE EARLY PERIOD--Minnesota has signed Theresa LeCuyer of Anoka, Minn., and Ayesha Whitfield from Detroit Cass Tech to national letters of intent for the fall of 1997. LeCuyer is a 6-0 forward, while Whitfield is a point guard.

LeCuyer is a two-sport athlete and an all-state soccer goalie for Anoka High School. She played on the Minnesota Power Play AAU team last summer, along with Kiauna Burns, placing fourth in the nation. She was also named MVP at BCI Nationals in Lubbock, Tex.

Whitfield was an all-state player and a PSL Miss Basketball finalist in Detroit. Her team advanced to the second round of the Michigan State tournament this year as she averaged 20 points, five rebounds and six steals a game. She was also named PSL Player of the Week twice during the season. She was named all-city in golf as well, her first year to play the sport.

UP NEXT--Minnesota travels to nationally-ranked Penn State and Wisconsin for games on Friday, Jan. 24, and Sunday, Sunday, Jan. 26. Game time Friday is 6:30 p.m. (CST) and Sunday at 3 p.m.

Swimming and Diving

S&D TRAVELS TO NORTHWESTERN AND NOTRE DAME

– The 10th-ranked University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team has its second Big Ten Conference meet of the season on Saturday, Jan. 18, when the Gophers face the Wildcats of Northwestern in a coed meet Evanston, Ill. On Sunday, Jan. 19., Minnesota competes against Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind., in a women-only dual.

ABOUT NORTHWESTERN – The 14th-ranked Wildcats are 5-3 overall in dual meets and 1-1 in Big Ten competition this year. On Jan. 11, Northwestern suffered its third loss of the year, losing to 13th-ranked Tennessee, 192-160. The Wildcats defeated Wisconsin (132-111) and lost to Illinois (56-57) in conference meets this year in conference action.

Minnesota has the edge in the overall series with Northwestern with a 10-5 won/loss record. The Gophers will try to break their opponent's home pool advantage, as Minnesota has never won a dual against the Wildcats in Evanston. Last year, the Gophers defeated Northwestern, 164-136, at Minnesota's University Aquatic Center.

ABOUT NOTRE DAME – Unranked Notre Dame just returned from its Hawaii winter trip, finishing third at the Rainbow Invitational. The Fighting Irish have a 4-1 dual meet record this year, and are led by all-American backstroker Erin Brooks and distance freestyler Linda Gallow. Minnesota and Notre Dame have competed only twice before, meeting during the 1990-91 and 1986-87 seasons, with Minnesota winning both meets.

GOPHERS DEFEAT KANSAS IN DUAL MEET

– Minnesota's speed and depth overcame 19th-ranked Kansas as the Gophers defeated the Jayhawks 197-103 in a dual meet on Friday, Jan. 10, at the University Aquatic Center. Gopher junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER** (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN) reset her own school record in the 200-yard breaststroke with a winning time of 2:15.49. The previous record, 2:16.10, was set by Hegener last season and tied again by her earlier this year. Hegener also won the 100-yard breaststroke (1:02.62) and was a member of the winning 200-yard medley relay team (1:44.38).

MORE GOPHER WINNERS

Junior SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA/ SILVERTHORN)	
200-yard medley relay	1:44.38
Senior TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)	
200-yard medley relay	1:44.38
100-yard butterfly	54.98
Senior DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)	
200-yard medley relay	1:44.38
400-yard freestyle relay	3:29.95
Junior KIMBERLY WILSON (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)	
1,000-yard freestyle	10:13.98

Frosh **JENNY HENNEN** (ANOKA, MN)

50-yard freestyle	23.89
100-yard freestyle	51.55
200-yard freestyle	1:51.55

Senior **ANDREA BERG** (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)

1-meter diving	269.93
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Frosh **MARTA KNOWLES** (DENVER, CO/ST. MARY'S)

200-yard backstroke	2:07.37
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Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA** (ZNOJMO, CZECH REP.)

500-yard freestyle	4:57.13
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Senior **CARRIE HANSEN** (LAKEVILLE, MN/ ROSEMOUNT)

3-meter diving	303.75
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Senior **SUZIE HELVIG** (MANDAN, ND)

400-yard freestyle relay	3:29.95
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Frosh **AMY COTTRILL** (FAIRPORT, NY)

400-yard freestyle relay	3:29.95
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Frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY** (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)

400-yard freestyle relay	3:29.95
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MINNESOTA WINS GOLD COUNTRY INVITATIONAL

– The Gophers won the 11th Annual Gold Country Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 11. Minnesota scored 1,037 points for the win and was followed by Kansas (935), Northern Michigan (302), St. Cloud (204.5), Mankato State (163.5), St. Olaf (126) and Carleton (104). This marks the ninth time Minnesota has won the Gold Country Invitational.

Berg and Hansen went 1-2 in both diving events, with Berg winning the low board with 426.30 points and the 3-meter springboard with 516.10 points. The Gophers also went 1-2-3 in the 1,650-yard freestyle, with Splichalova winning with a time of 17:06.13, with Wilson taking second and senior **ALICIA HICKEN** (CAMPBELLVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN) was third.

MORE GOPHER GOLD COUNTRY WINNERS

Senior **JESSICA GRASS** (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT)

500-yard freestyle	5:02.53
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Senior **TANYA SCHUH** (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)

100-yard butterfly	56.67
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Frosh **AMY COTTRILL** (FAIRPORT, NY)

200-yard freestyle	1:54.66
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200-yard freestyle relay	1:37.64
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Frosh **KATE McMILLAN** (PALATINE, IL)

200-yard breaststroke	2:23.52
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Frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY** (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)

200-yard freestyle relay	1:37.64
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Sophomore **KRISSY BERGLUND** (SOMERVILLE, NJ)

200-yard freestyle relay	1:37.64
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Sophomore **BETH SHIMANSKI** (HUTCHINSON, MN)

200-yard freestyle relay	1:37.64
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Track and Field

GOPHER REWIND: NEWCOMERS SHINE AT NORTHWEST OPEN — Minnesota's newcomers held the spotlight at the Northwest Open on Saturday. Two Minnesota frosh records and one meet record were broken at the unscored meet at the University Fieldhouse. **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KRISTIANSAND KATEDRASKOLE)** set a frosh and meet record in the triple jump with a leap of 40-11. **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN (MAASBRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDELYLE)** also set a frosh record, in the 3000 meters in a time of 9:46.80. Junior transfer **CHANTEAU WHITE (ALLEN, TEXAS/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE)** was a double event winner as she captured the 55-meter dash title as well as the 55-meter hurdles title. **KAY FULLER (VERNDALE, MN/VERNDALE)** won the 400-meter dash in a time of :61.73. **NATALIE SMITH (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL)** won the long jump by over two feet, at 17-9.

OTHER MINNESOTA WINNERS — Senior **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** won the shot put with a throw of 46-11 1/2. Sophomore **SHELLIE BRAGGS (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN)** won the 200-meter dash in :26.34. The 4x400 meter relay team of **Smith, Braggs, Fuller** and **YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON)** won in a time of 4:06.41.

Minnesota results, Northwest Open

Jan. 11, 1997

- 55 Meter Dash** - 1. Chanteau White, 7.21; 3. Natalie Smith, 7.67; 5. Kim Hofner, 7.75.
- 200 Meter Dash** - 1. Shellie Braggs, 26.34; 2. Yvette White, 26.74; 4. Natalie Smith, 27.52; 5. Apasha Blocker, 27.83.
- 400 Meter Dash** - 1. Kay Fuller, 61.73; 3. Alissa Bruss, 65.95; 4. Alisa Gartner, 66.37.
- 800 Meter Run** - 2. Kristi Stiles, 2:26.91; 3. Carrie Daniel, 2:27.37.
- Mile Run** - 2. Andrea Lentz, 5:09.06; 3. Karen Kleindl, 5:09.84; 4. Minna Haronoja, 5:23.16; 5. Julie Golla, 5:28.52; 7. Marissa McGill, 5:38.25; 8. Genalyn Johnson, 5:40.4.
- 3000 Meter Run** - 1. Daphne Panhuysen, 9:46.80; 2. Kari Thompson, 10:11.91; 3. Keri Zweig, 10:32.04; 4. Amy Hoel, 10:35.66; 6. Nikki Rassbach, 11:17.29; 9. Tiffany Barron, 11:35.17.
- 55 Meter Hurdles** - 1. Chanteau White, 8.54.
- Long Jump** - 1. Natalie Smith, 17-9 (5.41m); 2. Apasha Blocker, 15-7 (4.75m)
- Triple Jump** - 1. Christine Gulbrandson, Minnesota, 40-11 (Meet record).
- Shot Put** - 1. Dani Parkos, 46-11 1/2; 2. Tina McDonald, 46-0 1/2; 5. Nicole Chimko, 38-0 3/4.

THE INDOOR SCHEDULE —

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| Jan. 25 | Nike Invitational | 4 p.m. |
| Feb. 8 | Husker Invitational (Lincoln, NE) | |
| | Iowa State Invitational (Ames, IA) | |
| Feb. 15 | Minnesota Open | 11 a.m. |
| Feb. 22-23 | Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL) | |
| March 8-9 | NCAA Championships (Indianapolis, IN) | |

Tennis

SPRING SEASON OPENS VS. VANDERBILT--The Minnesota tennis team opens its 1997 spring schedule this Friday, January 17, when the Gophers host Vanderbilt. The match, held at the 98th Street Racquet Club, gets underway at 6:30 p.m.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 37th in the preseason Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. Minnesota has no individual players ranked in singles nor doubles in the preseason poll.

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS--NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM) finished the fall with a 10-1 record, winning three titles. Sauska was only three wins away from tying the Minnesota record for consecutive wins at 13 set by Lisa Martin set in 1983-84.

TWO OTHERS HAVE SEVEN WINS--ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR) and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/ BURNSVILLE)** are second, behind Sauska, with seven wins apiece.

EVERYONE PLAYING WELL--As a team, Minnesota has a 51-32 (.614) singles record and a 13-13 (.500) doubles record thus far in 1996.

MINNESOTA WINS FOUR TITLES IN FALL--Nora Sauska and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON, WI)** combined to win Minnesota's four titles this fall. Sauska was the singles champion in Flight B at the Notre Dame Invitational and the A winner at the Wolfpack Invite, while Sauska teamed with Hrdinova to win the B doubles crown at Notre Dame. Hrdinova won her second doubles title over the weekend teaming with Christy Delgado of Iowa at the Indiana Regional Invitational.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO NO. 5 MICHIGAN—No. 23 Minnesota will get an early measure of its prospects in the Big Ten this season when they travel to Ann Arbor, Mich., for a dual meet against the fifth-ranked and defending conference champion Wolverines. The meet is Minnesota's first in '97 against a Big Ten and Division I opponent and its first of eight dual meets.

MICHIGAN—The Wolverines captured last year's Big Ten Championships in Columbus, Ohio, with a score of 194.600, outdistancing runner-up Michigan State by .675. And Michigan returns virtually all of its key performers from last season, led by a super sophomore class of **Beth Amelkovich**, last season's Big Ten all-around champion, **Lisa Simes**; who tied the Gophers' **Mindy Knaeble** for the conference title in the floor exercise; **Nikki Peters**, who scored a perfect 10.0 to win the conference uneven bars title; and **Kathy Burke**, who tied for the championship on the balance beam.

Coach **Bev Plocki** begins her eighth season in Ann Arbor and has a record of 137-42. Minnesota leads the series with Michigan 18-13 and beat the Wolverines last season in both a dual meet at the Sports Pavilion and at the Shanico Invitational in Corvallis, Ore.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON—Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, **Stephenson** owns a 62-80 overall record at Minnesota.

ASSISTANT COACHES—**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her second season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for three seasons.

GOPHERS CAPTURE BEST OF MINNESOTA MEET—Minnesota opened its season with an impressive victory over three teams in the Best of Minnesota meet. The Gophers scored 192.825 points, their seventh-highest team score ever, easily outdistancing second-place Winona State, which scored 179.575. Hamline finished third with 169.45, while Gustavus placed fourth with 168.4. The meet featured the only four schools in Minnesota to have varsity women's gymnastics programs.

KNAEBLE TIES SCHOOL RECORD IN FLOOR EXERCISE — Junior **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** scored a 9.9 in the floor exercise at the Best of Minnesota meet, tying the school record she already shared with **Lori Kindler**. **Knaeble** is the defending Big Ten co-champion in the event.

FLOOR EXERCISE TEAM POSTS SECOND-BEST SCORE EVER—The Gophers' floor exercise team score of 49.200 with just .075 short of the school record the team set last year against Utah. **Knaeble** led the way with a 9.9, followed by senior co-captain **JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI)**, whose 9.875 score tied her for the fifth-highest mark all-time. Senior co-captain **KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH,**

MN/ARMSTRONG) scored 9.85, newcomer **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANA DEL NORESTE)** scored 9.825 and junior **KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT)** scored 9.75.

VAULT TEAM RECORDS FIFTH-HIGHEST MARK — **Stephenson** said before the season that he expected the vault to be Minnesota's most improved event, and the Gophers' vaulting team recorded the school's fifth-highest score ever (48.100) without the benefit of any returning gymnast setting a personal best. **Sveum**, the school record-holder in the event, scored a 9.775. **Knaeble** and junior **STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR)** each had scores of 9.675. Frosh **KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/GATEWAY)** scored a 9.5 in her first official competition, while **Cavazos** scored a 9.475.

GOPHERS WIN EVERY EVENT AT BEST OF MINNESOTA — Minnesota gymnasts won every event at the meet. **Knaeble** won the floor exercise and the balance beam (9.75). **Sveum** took the vault title. **Vandersall** won the uneven bars with a 9.775, and **Cavazos**, the only Gopher to compete in all four events, captured the all-around title with a score of 37.775.

GOPHERS RANKED 23RD IN PRESEASON COACHES POLL—The Gophers are ranked 23rd in the NCAA preseason poll and will face no fewer than eight ranked teams this season. Minnesota has dual meets with No. 4 Utah, No. 5 Michigan, No. 8 Arizona, co-No. 17 Massachusetts and co-No. 20 Utah State. Minnesota also faces No. 24 Ohio State in a March 1 triangular meet that also includes Illinois. No. 14 Michigan State and No. 15 Penn State will join the rest of the conference at the Sports Pavilion on March 22 for the Big Ten Championships.

The preseason poll:

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| 1. UCLA | 14. Michigan State |
| 2. Alabama | 15. Penn State |
| 3. Georgia | 16. Washington |
| 4. Utah | 17. Auburn |
| 5. Michigan | Massachusetts |
| 6. Oregon State | 19. Kentucky |
| 7. Florida | 20. West Virginia |
| 8. Arizona | Utah State |
| 9. Nebraska | 22. California |
| 10. Arizona State | 23. Minnesota |
| 11. Stanford | 24. Ohio State |
| 12. BYU | 25. Towson State |
| 13. LSU | |

UPCOMING SCHEDULE—Following their trip to Michigan, the Gophers return home for a dual meet with No. 8 Arizona at 7 p.m. on Jan. 25 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet will be broadcast in tape-delay format on Midwest Sports Channel.

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 15 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	15/ 15	73/ 169	.432	1/ 4	.250	83/ 114	.728	230	15.3	87	105	192	12.8	44/ 0	18	50	7	17	493		
Mindy Hansen	15/ 15	66/ 203	.325	7/ 42	.167	27/ 47	.575	166	11.1	19	54	73	4.9	30/ 1	46	81	6	26	503		
Lynda Hass	13/ 1	44/ 99	.445	11/ 33	.333	23/ 33	.697	122	9.4	24	29	53	4.1	21/ 1	12	30	2	12	289		
Sarah Klun	15/ 15	52/ 126	.413	0/ 5	.000	27/ 30	.900	131	8.7	21	34	55	3.7	37/ 2	21	43	1	17	370		
Kiauna Burns	15/ 3	35/ 93	.376	5/ 26	.192	20/ 42	.476	95	6.3	10	31	41	2.7	33/ 2	42	69	2	36	423		
Sonja Robinson	15/ 12	34/ 105	.324	0/ 3	.000	26/ 39	.667	94	6.3	26	44	70	4.7	32/ 1	25	40	7	11	406		
Jaime Ellis	14/ 14	21/ 64	.328	9/ 42	.214	10/ 13	.769	61	4.4	3	11	14	1.0	23/ 0	38	37	2	10	318		
Andrea Seago	15/ 0	18/ 42	.429	0/ 0	.000	8/ 11	.727	44	2.9	8	29	37	2.5	24/ 0	5	13	7	1	201		
Si Nonginthirat	2/ 0	1/ 1	1.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	2	1.0	0	1	1	.5	1/ 0	0	4	0	1	6		
Margaret Blom	1/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	1	1	1.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0	11		
Teresa O'Hearn	1/ 0	0/ 1	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	1.0	0/ 0	0	2	0	0	5		
Team Rebounds																				104	
Golden Gophers	15/ 15	344/ 903	.381	33/ 155	.213	224/ 329	.681	945	63.0	199	339	642	42.8	245/ 7	207	369	34	131	--		
Team Rebounds																				63	
Opponent Totals	15/ 15	422/1043	.405	60/ 218	.275	179/ 269	.665	1083	72.2	251	348	662	44.1	287/ 6	240	309	70	211	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	4.9	11.3	.1	.3	5.5	7.6	15.3	12.8	1.2	3.3	.5	1.1	32.9
Mindy Hansen	4.4	13.5	.5	2.8	1.8	3.1	11.1	4.9	3.1	5.4	.4	1.7	33.5
Lynda Hass	3.4	7.6	.9	2.5	1.8	2.5	9.4	4.1	.9	2.3	.2	.9	22.2
Sarah Klun	3.5	8.4	.0	.3	1.8	2.0	8.7	3.7	1.4	2.9	.1	1.1	24.7
Kiauna Burns	2.3	6.2	.3	1.7	1.3	2.8	6.3	2.7	2.8	4.6	.1	2.4	28.2
Sonja Robinson	2.3	7.0	.0	.2	1.7	2.6	6.3	4.7	1.7	2.7	.5	.7	27.1
Jaime Ellis	1.5	4.6	.6	3.0	.7	.9	4.4	1.0	2.7	2.6	.1	.7	22.7
Andrea Seago	1.2	2.8	.0	.0	.5	.7	2.9	2.5	.3	.9	.5	.1	13.4
Si Nonginthirath	.5	.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.5	.0	2.0	.0	.5	3.0
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	11.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	2.0	.0	.0	5.0
Golden Gophers	22.9	60.2	2.2	10.3	14.9	21.9	63.0	42.8	13.8	24.6	2.3	8.7	----
Opponent Totals	28.1	69.5	4.0	14.5	11.9	17.9	72.2	44.1	16.0	20.6	4.7	14.1	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	449	485	11	0	945	39
Opponent Totals	491	577	15	0	1083	32

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	2-13	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	12158	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	811
Big Ten	0- 4	HOME	7639	HOME AVERAGE	955
Dial Soap Classic	1- 1	AWAY	4519	AWAY AVERAGE	646
UNLV Classic	1- 1				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	Wyoming	68- 66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	James Madison	56- 64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60- 78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62- 75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63- 66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	Stephen F. Austin	63- 80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	12/20	Fairfield	74- 68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48- 61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63- 82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61- 67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47- 68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	01/10	*Illinois	85- 89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	01/12	Michigan State	65- 76	L H	1 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7

* Big Ten ! Dial Soap Classic @ UNLV Classic

**University of Minnesota
1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores**

Dual Record: 6-0 Big Ten: 1-0 Invitationals: 2-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame			
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State			
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Wisconsin			
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue			
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Illinois			
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa			
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge			
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern				3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)	Jenny Hennen 23.69 •	Amy Cottrill 23.95	Terri Jashinsky 24.34	Devon Coellner 24.34	Heather Miller 24.53	200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)	Marta Knowles 2:05.11	Beth Shimanski 2:09.21	Kimberly Wilson 2:09.47	Amy Cottrill 2:10.13	Alicia Hicken 2:13.59	400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)	3:28.50 – Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Krissy Berglund, Jenny Hennen
100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)	Jenny Hennen 51.41 •	Amy Cottrill 52.10	Terri Jashinsky 52.49	Devon Coellner 53.05	Olga Splichalova 53.11	100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)	Gretchen Hegener 1:02.21 #	Devon Coellner 1:05.66	Kate McMillan 1:06.01	Michelle Fischer 1:07.58	Katie Olson 1:08.80	800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)	7:29.86* – Jenny Hennen, Terri Jashinsky, Alicia Hicken, Olga Splichalova
200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)	Jenny Hennen 1:50.11 •	Olga Splichalova 1:50.19 •	Terri Jashinsky 1:52.98	Alicia Hicken 1:53.56	Amy Cottrill 1:54.66	200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:15.49)	Gretchen Hegener 2:15.49 **	Kate McMillan 2:22.33	Devon Coellner 2:23.22	Michelle Fischer 2:25.48	Jessica Grass 2:25.94	200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)	1:43.18* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)	Olga Splichalova 4:50.45 •	Kimberly Wilson 4:56.98	Jenny Hennen 4:58.75	Alicia Hicken 4:59.68	Jessica Grass 5:01.59	100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)	Tanya Schuh 54.86 #	Terry Jashinsky 56.31 •	Jenny Hennen 57.92	Carrie Raeth 58.58	Jessica Grass 58.94	400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)	3:46.10* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68S)	Olga Splichalova 9:50.10	Jenny Hennen 9:51.51	Kimberly Wilson 10:06.79	Alicia Hicken 10:14.87	Jessica Grass 10:19.90	200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)	Jessica Grass 2:02.73 •	Terri Jashinsky 2:03.05 •	Jenny Hennen 2:04.25	Tanya Schuh 2:05.33	Kerry Grimord 2:06.61	1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)	Andrea Berg 268.900 %
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)	Olga Splichalova 16:27.68 •	Kimberly Wilson 16:46.66 •	Alicia Hicken 17:06.47	Marta Knowles 17:47.14	Elizabeth Weld 18:08.52	200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)	Jenny Hennen 2:06.46	Jessica Grass 2:07.38	Devon Coellner 2:08.44	Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72	Michelle Fischer 2:12.03	Carrie Hansen 267.100 %	Jenny Cook 253.725 %
100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)	Shona Baillie 58.07	Beth Shimanski 58.21	Marta Knowles 1:00.38	Amy Cottrill 1:01.63	Carrie Raeth 1:01.30	400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)	Olga Splichalova 4:21.91	Jessica Grass 4:22.52	Marta Knowles 4:30.41	Kimberly Wilson 4:31.39		Shelby Evadine Miller 230.620	Andrea Wheeler 173.950
						200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)						Andrea Wheeler 213.10	
						1:35.14 – Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen						3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)	Carrie Hansen 291.400 %
												Andrea Berg 280.130 %	Jenny Cook 272.625 %
												Shelby Evadine Miller 254.550	Andrea Wheeler 183.150
												3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)	Andrea Berg 487.10 %
												Carrie Hansen 441.60 %	Jenny Cook 430.90 %
												Shelby Evadine Miller 352.10	Andrea Wheeler 280.10
												Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)	Carrie Hansen 325.35 %
												Jenny Cook 287.10	Andrea Wheeler 264.25
												Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)	

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time

•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

55 Meters

1. Chanteau White(a) (finals)	:07.21
Chanteau White (a) (trials)	:07.21
3. Natalie Smith (a)	:07.63

200 meters

1. Shellie Braggs (a)	:26.34
2. Yvette White (a)	:26.74
3. Natalie Smith (a)	:27.52

400 meters

1. Kay Fuller (a)	:61.73
2. Alissa Bruss (a)	:65.95
3. Alisa Gartner (a)	:66.37

600 meters

800 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (a)	2:26.91
2. Carrie Daniel (a)	2:27.37

Mile

1. Andrea Lentz (a)	5:09.06
2. Karen Kleindl (a)	5:09.84
3. Minna Haronoja (a)	5:23.16

3000 meters

1. Daphne Panhuysen (a) *	9:46.80
2. Kari Thompson (a)	10:11.91
3. Keri Zweig (a)	10:32.04

5000 meters

55 meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (a)	:08.54
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4x400 Meter Relay

1. Smith, Braggs, Fuller, Y. White (a)	4:06.41
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Distance Medley Relay

High Jump

Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith (a)	17-9
2. Apasha Blocker (a)	15-7

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (a) *	40-11
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Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (a)	46-11 1/2
2. Tina McDonald (a)	46-0 1/2
3. Nicole Chimko (a)	38-0 3/4

Pentathlon

* frosh record

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, MN)

HOME MEETS at the University Fieldhouse



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January 21, 1997

**Catch what
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, January 24
 SW hosts Ohio State 7 p.m.
 BKB at Penn State 6:30 p.m.
 (University Park, Pa.)

Saturday, January 25
 TR hosts Minnesota Invite 12 noon
 GY hosts Arizona 7 p.m.*

Sunday, January 26
 BKB at Wisconsin 3 p.m.*
 (Madison, WI)

* Live on MSC

All Times CST

What's Coming Up

- Gymnastics hosts nationally-ranked Arizona
- #10 Swimming and Diving hosts Ohio State
- Track and Field hosts prestigious Minnesota Invite
- Basketball on the road at Penn State and Wisconsin
- Gymnastics and Basketball vs. Wisconsin on MSC

Last Week's Highlights

- Mindy Knaeble sets Minnesota floor exercise record
- Basketball's Iverson ranks third in NCAA rebounding
- Basketball's Hansen records career-high 24 points against Northwestern
- Swimmers remain undefeated with wins at Northwestern and Notre Dame

Gymnastics

GOPHERS HOST NO. 8 ARIZONA—No. 23 Minnesota will host its first dual meet of the season this weekend when eighth-ranked Arizona visits the Sports Pavilion for a 7 p.m. meet. The Gophers enter the meet with a record of 3-1.

ARIZONA—The Wildcats enter this weekend ranked No. 8 in the country. Arizona placed seventh at the 1996 NCAA Championships. The Wildcats are led by all-American sophomore **Heidi Hornbeek**, who scored a 10.0 to tie for the floor exercise title at the 1996 NCAA meet. **Hornbeek** has a career-high of 39.7 in the all-around and has posted no lower than a 9.9 career-best in any event. Sophomore **Maureen Keeley** placed 10th on the uneven bars at the NCAA Championships, earning all-American status. Other Wildcats to watch are senior **Becky Bowers**, sophomore **Kristin McDermott** and junior **Nancy Milberger**. Head coach **Jim Gault** is in his 17th season at the helm of the Wildcats and has compiled a 320-138-1 record. His teams have competed in the NCAA Championships in nine of the past 13 seasons. Minnesota has a 2-9 record in the series with Arizona.

SATURDAY'S MEET ON MSC—Saturday's meet will be broadcast in tape-delay format on Midwest Sports Channel, beginning at the conclusion of the Gopher men's basketball broadcast, approximately 9 p.m. **Ryan Lefebvre** will handle the play-by-play, while former Gopher gymnast **Robin Huebner** will be the analyst.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON—Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, **Stephenson** owns a 62-80 overall record at Minnesota. **Stephenson** came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES—**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHERS FALL AT NO. 5 MICHIGAN—Minnesota suffered its first loss of the year Saturday night, losing to fifth-ranked Michigan 193.525-192.100 in a dual meet in Ann Arbor, Mich. Led by a school-record 9.925 mark from junior **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)**, Minnesota won the floor exercise by a 48.95-47.15 margin, but lost each of the other three events.

MEET HIGHLIGHTS—

KNAEBLE FLOORS 'EM AGAIN—For the second week in a row, junior **Mindy Knaeble** etched her name in the Minnesota record book in the floor exercise. This time, the record is hers alone, as she scored a 9.925 to break the school mark she had shared with **Lori Kindler**. That score, which won the competition, tied the school individual apparatus record, matching that of junior **CATHY KEYSER (NEW HOPE, MN/LAKE**

FINNINDERO H.S.-AUSTRALIA) on the balance beam in 1996. At the season-opening Best of Minnesota meet, **Knaeble** had scored a 9.9 for the third time in her career. **Knaeble** is the defending Big Ten co-champion in the floor exercise.

CAVAZOS TAKES SECOND IN ALL-AROUND—Gopher newcomer **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANA DEL NORESTE)** continues to shine for Minnesota. **Cavazos** placed second in the all-around with a score of 38.85, losing only to Michigan newcomer **Sarah Cain**. In the process, **Cavazos** beat the defending Big Ten all-around champion, **Beth Amelkovich** of Michigan, who scored 38.8. **Cavazos'** scores included a Minnesota season-high 9.825 on the uneven bars, a 9.575 on the vault, a 9.675 on the balance beam and a 9.775 on the floor exercise. Her highest single-apparatus finish was third on the uneven bars.

VAULT TEAM RECORDS FOURTH-HIGHEST MARK EVER—**Stephenson** said before the season that he expected the vault to be Minnesota's most improved event, and the Gophers' vaulting team has begun the season with two of its six highest team scores ever in the event. Saturday's mark of 48.225 was the fourth-highest in school history. Junior **STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR)** tied for third in the event with a 9.75. Following **Batza** were **Mindy Knaeble** with a 9.675, junior **KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT)** with a 9.625, junior **MOLLY UMLAND (BROOKLYN PARK, MN/PARK CENTER)** with a 9.6 and **Judith Cavazos** with a 9.575.

MAZZONE MAKES GOPHER DEBUT—Sophomore **JENNY MAZZONE (SPARKS, NV/McQUEEN)** participated in the first competition of her Minnesota career, scoring a 9.425 on the uneven bars. **Mazzone** missed all of last season while rehabilitating from knee surgery. She is expected to contribute on uneven bars and possibly balance beam this year.

GOPHERS RANKED 23RD IN PRESEASON COACHES POLL—The Gophers are ranked 23rd in the NCAA preseason poll and will face no fewer than eight ranked teams this season. Minnesota has dual meets with No. 4 Utah, No. 5 Michigan, No. 8 Arizona, #17 Massachusetts and #20 Utah State. Minnesota also faces No. 24 Ohio State in a March 1 triangular meet that also includes Illinois. And No. 14 Michigan State and No. 15 Penn State will join the rest of the conference at the Sports Pavilion on March 22 for the Big Ten Championships.

The preseason poll:

1. UCLA
2. Alabama
3. Georgia
4. Utah
5. Michigan
6. Oregon State
7. Florida
8. Arizona
9. Nebraska
10. Arizona State
11. Stanford
12. BYU

13. LSU
14. Michigan State
15. Penn State
16. Washington
17. Auburn
Massachusetts
19. Kentucky
20. West Virginia
Utah State
22. California
23. Minnesota
24. Ohio State
25. Towson State

UPCOMING SCHEDULE—After hosting Arizona, the Gophers will be on the road for their next two meets. Minnesota travels to Utah State for a dual meet on Jan. 31 and to Iowa State for a dual meet on Feb. 8.

Swimming and Diving

GOPHERS FACE OHIO STATE ON FRIDAY AT UAC--

The No. 10-ranked and undefeated University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team faces The Ohio State University Buckeyes Friday, Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. in the University Aquatic Center. The Gophers are 8-0 overall and 2-0 in Big Ten Conference action while the Buckeye's are 3-2 overall and 2-0 in Big Ten competition. This will be the 10th meeting of the two Big Ten opponents, with Ohio State having the advantage in the won/loss column with a 5-4 record against Minnesota. The last time the team faced one another was during the 1994-95 season at Ohio State, with Minnesota winning 179-121.

TANYA SCHUH TO BE HONORED IN HOMETOWN

DAY--Gopher senior butterflyer TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER) and her hometown of Lake Elmo, Minn., will be honored in a WCCO 8•3•0 Hometown Day prior to Friday night's meet against Ohio State.

1997 NCAA SWIMMING AND DIVING TICKETS GO ON

SALE--Tickets for the 1997 NCAA Division I Swimming and Diving Championships are now on sale. Scheduled for March 20-22, the championships will be at the IUPUI Natatorium in Indianapolis. All-session tickets, which are considered priority seating, are \$42 each and include all preliminary and final sessions. Single day tickets are \$15 each. To receive ticket order forms or to order tickets over the telephone with a credit card, call the IU Natatorium at (317) 274-6787 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. (EST).

GOPHERS CONTINUE WINNING STREAK--

The women's swimming and diving team continued its winning streak the weekend of Jan. 18-19, as they defeated both conference and non-conference foes in dual meets. On Jan. 18, the Gophers defeated No. 14 Northwestern University, 155-145, at the Wildcats Norris Aquatics Center in Evanston, Ill. Non-conference opponent Notre Dame fell to Minnesota, 176-124, on Jan. 19 at South Bend, Ind.

NORTHWESTERN RESULTS –

The Gophers had three double-individual event winners against the Wildcats and set five pool records during the meet. Junior GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER-LUTHERAN) set pool records in the 100- (1:02.99) and 200-yard breaststroke events (2:17.08) and was on the pool record-setting 200-yard medley relay team (1:44.90). Junior OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC) set a pool record in the 1,000-yard freestyle (9:52.30) and won the 500-yard freestyle (4:51.07), while senior ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY) won the 1- (268.73) and 3-meter springboard diving (266.63) events.

MORE GOPHER WINNERS VS. NORTHWESTERN

Minnesota	155
Notre Dame	145
Junior SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA/ SILVERTHORN)	
200-yard medley relay	1:44.90 (pool record)
Junior GRETCHEN HEGENER	
200-yard medley relay	1:44.90 (pool record)
Junior Tanya Schuh	
200-yard medley relay	1:44.90 (pool record)
100-yard butterfly	55:08 (pool record)
Frosh AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY/FAIRPORT)	
200-yard medley relay	1:44.90 (pool record)
Frosh JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN/ANOKA)	
200-yard freestyle	1:51.20

NOTRE DAME RESULTS - The Gophers had two double-event winners against the Fighting Irish, with senior **CARRIE HANSEN** (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT) winning the 1- (268.50) and 3-meter (279.30) diving events and **Splichalova** capturing the 500- (4:58.31) and 1000-yard freestyle (10:08.02) events.

MORE GOPHER WINNERS VS. NOTRE DAME

Minnesota	176
Notre Dame	124
Junior SHONA BAILLIE	
200-yard medley relay	1:47.48
Junior GRETCHEN HEGENER	
200-yard breaststroke	2:21.50
Junior TANYA SCHUH	
200-yard medley relay	1:47.48
100-yard butterfly	56.99
Frosh AMY COTTRILL	
200-yard medley relay	1:47.48
100-yard freestyle	52.65
800-yard freestyle relay	7:38.03
Frosh JENNY HENNEN	
800-yard freestyle relay	7:38.03
Frosh KATE McMILLAN (PALATINE, IL/PALATINE)	
200-yard medley relay	1:47.48
100-yard breaststroke	1:06.90
Senior DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)	
200-yard individual medley	2:10.31
Junior OLGA SPLICHALOVA	
800-yard freestyle relay	7:38.03
Frosh TERRI JASHINSKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)	
800-yard freestyle relay	7:38.03

Track and Field

UP NEXT: MINNESOTA HOSTS MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL - The Gophers will host the Minnesota Invitational on Sat., Jan. 25, at the University Fieldhouse. The coed meet begins with the weight throw at 9:00 a.m., the pentathlon events beginning at 9:30 and the running events beginning at noon.

Schedule of Events, Minnesota Invitational

9:00 a.m.	M,W	Weight Throw
Pentathlon events		
9:30 a.m.	M	55m hurdles
9:45 a.m.	W	55m hurdles
10:05 a.m.	M	Long Jump
10:05 a.m.	W	High Jump
11:00 a.m.	M,W	Shot Put
12:00 p.m.	M	High Jump
12:00 p.m.	W	Long Jump
TBA	M	1000m Run
TBA	W	800m Run
12:00 p.m.	W	55m Dash (trials)
12:10 p.m.	M	55m Dash (trials)
12:20 p.m.	W	55m Hurdles (trials)
12:30 p.m.	M	55m Hurdles (trials)
12:40 p.m.	W	5000m Run
1:00 p.m.	M,W	Shot Put
1:00 p.m.	M	Pole Vault
1:20 p.m.	M,W	Long Jump
1:20 p.m.	W	Ron Renko Memorial Mile Run
1:30 p.m.	M	One Mile Run
1:30 p.m.	W,M	High Jump
1:40 p.m.	M	55m Hurdles (finals)
1:50 p.m.	W	55m Hurdles (finals)
2:00 p.m.	W	400m Dash
2:15 p.m.	M	400m Dash
2:30 p.m.	M	600m Run
2:45 p.m.	W	600m Run
2:45 p.m.	W,M	Triple Jump
3:00 p.m.	W	55m Dash (finals)
3:10 p.m.	M	55m Dash (finals)
3:15 p.m.		Special Presentation
3:25 p.m.	M	800m Run
3:40 p.m.	W	800m Run
3:55 p.m.	W	200m Dash
4:10 p.m.	M	200m Dash
4:25 p.m.	M	3000m Run
4:40 p.m.	W	3000m Run
5:00 p.m.	W	Distance Medley Relay
5:15 p.m.	M	Distance Medley Relay
5:30 p.m.	M	4x400m Relay
5:40 p.m.	W	4x400m Relay

GOPHER REWIND: NEWCOMERS SHINE AT NORTHWEST OPEN - Minnesota's newcomers held the spotlight at the Northwest Open on Saturday, Jan. 11. Two Minnesota frosh records and one meet record were broken at the unscored meet at the University Fieldhouse. **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN**

(KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KRISTIANSAND KATEDRALSKOLE) set a meet record and a frosh record in the triple jump with a leap of 40-11. DAPHNE PANHUYSEN (MAASBRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDELYLE) also set a frosh record, in the 3000 meters in a time of 9:46.80. Junior transfer CHANTEAU WHITE (ALLEN, TEXAS/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE) was a double event winner as she captured the 55 meter dash title as well as the 55 meter hurdles title. KAY FULLER (VERNDALE, MN/VERNDALE) won the 400 meter dash in a time of :61.73. NATALIE SMITH (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL) won the long jump by over two feet, at 17-9.

OTHER MINNESOTA WINNERS — Senior DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL) won the shot put with a throw of 46-11 1/2. Sophomore SHELLIE BRAGGS (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN) won the 200-meter dash in :26.34. The 4x400 meter relay team of Smith, Braggs, Fuller and YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON) won in a time of 4:06.41.

NEW TO THE ALL-TIME TOP TEN LIST — At the Northwest Open, five athletes either moved into the all-time top ten list or improved their standings. Christine Gulbrandsen holds the second spot all-time in the triple jump behind current volunteer jumps coach Lori Hardrick. Chanteau White entered two lists, the 55 meter dash (tied for 4th) and the 55 meter hurdles (tied for 9th). Daphne Panhuysen ranks sixth all-time in the 3000 meter run. Natalie Smith is ninth in the long jump. TINA MCDONALD (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST) set a personal-best in the shot put with a throw of 46-0 1/2 and ranks tenth all-time.

THE SCHEDULE —

Jan. 25	Minnesota Invitational, 12 noon
Feb. 8	Husker Invitational (Lincoln, NE) Iowa State Invitational (Ames, IA)
Feb. 15	Minnesota Open, 11 a.m.
Feb. 22-23	Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)
March 8-9	NCAA Championships (Indianapolis, IN)

Tennis

MATCH VS. VANDERBILT CANCELLED--Minnesota's tennis match scheduled Friday against Vanderbilt was cancelled due to the weather in Nashville, Tenn. The meet is tentatively rescheduled for Tuesday, March 4.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 39th in the fall Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. Minnesota's NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM) is ranked 46th in the nation after an impressive fall season.

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS--Nora Sauska finished the fall with a 10-1 record, winning three titles. Sauska was only three wins away from tying the Minnesota record for consecutive wins at 13 set by Lisa Martin set in 1983-84.

TWO OTHERS HAVE SEVEN WINS--ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR) and HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE) are second, behind Sauska, with seven wins apiece.

EVERYONE PLAYING WELL--As a team, Minnesota has a 51-32 (.614) singles record and a 13-13 (.500) doubles record thus far in 1996 in the fall season.

MINNESOTA WINS FOUR TITLES IN FALL--Nora Sauska and JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON, WI) combined to win Minnesota's four titles this fall. Sauska was the singles champion in Flight B at the Notre Dame Invitational and the A winner at the Wolfpack Invite, while Sauska teamed with Hrdinova to win the B doubles crown at Notre Dame. Hrdinova won her second doubles title over the weekend teaming with Christy Delgado of Iowa at the Indiana Regional Invitational.

UP NEXT--Minnesota will hosts Iowa State at the 98th Street Racquet Club Friday, Feb. 1. Match time is 4:30 p.m.

Basketball

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO PENN STATE AND WISCONSIN--Minnesota, 2-15 overall and 0-7 in the Big Ten Conference, travels to Penn State Friday and Wisconsin Sunday. Penn State, 8-7 overall and 1-4 in the Big Ten, is struggling, having lost seven of its last eight games and falling out of the top 25 for the first time all season. Wisconsin is 12-3 on the season and 5-2 in the Big Ten Conference. The Badgers are currently ranked 12th in the country and have won five of their last six games. Game time Friday in State College is 6:30 p.m. (CST), while Sunday's game starts at 3 p.m. and will be shown live on Midwest Sports Channel as the Big Ten Game of the Week.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota has been shuffling its starting lineup lately as **MINDY HANSEN (CHASKA, MN/CHASKA)**, who started the first 15 games of the season, has come off the bench in the last two games. **SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL)** has started in place of Hansen at the small forward position. The starting lineup now features two juniors in **ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA)** and **JAIME ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO)**, two sophomores (**Robinson and SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)**) and a first-year athlete (**KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)**). The probable starting lineup:

#23	G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
#21	F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
#15	G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./ Lake Oswego
#53	C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
#45	F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette

The Reserves

#12	G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
#22	G	Stephanie Strommen	5-8	So.	Bloomington, Minn./Kennedy/ Arizona St.
#24	C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
#25	G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
#32	F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
#35	C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
#33	F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season, but has battled its opponents close in every game. Minnesota has been ahead in the second half in 10 of 17 games this season and has only lost two games by more than 20 points (Nebraska, Ohio State), while taking Illinois to overtime and falling to three other teams by six points or less.

Minnesota has suffered through a number of injuries this season, three of which were season- or career-ending before the year began.

Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **Angie Iverson**. Iverson leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 15.1 points and 12.4 boards a game. Iverson is third in the nation in rebounding and is 12th in the Big Ten in overall scoring and fourth in conference games. Iverson has recorded 11 double-doubles on the season and set a Minnesota record

with 25 rebounds against Colorado State in December.

Junior starting point guard **Jaime Ellis** is suffering from a stress fracture and is limited to only 16 minutes a contest, but is still averaging 2.5 assists a game. Ellis has given way at the point to newcomer **Kiauna Burns** and sophomore **Mindy Hansen**. Burns is averaging 29 minutes a game this season and has averaged 39 minutes a contest in her last four games. Hansen is second on the team in scoring at 12.2 points a game and had a season-high 24 points against Northwestern after posting 18 versus Ohio State. Add that to **Sarah Klun**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season and is averaging 8.5 points and four rebounds a game, and sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who is third on the team in scoring at 9.3 coming off the bench for the Gophers, and Minnesota has a solid nucleus for next season.

Other players in Minnesota's rotation include sophomore **Sonja Robinson**, at 6.4 points and 4.5 rebounds, and center **Andrea Seago**, the only true center on the Minnesota roster, at three points and 2.5 rebounds.

GOPHERS ADD FOUR WALK-ONS--Minnesota added four walk-ons to the roster in **Sy Nonginthirath**, **Margaret Blom**, **Teresa O'Hearn** and **Stephanie Strommen** for the 1997 season.

Nonginthirath is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. Against Indiana, Nonginthirath played 5 minutes with two points, a steal and a rebound.

Blom is a 6-1 first-year center and has played in two games. Blom saw her first action against Nebraska, playing 11 minutes and recording one rebound. She also played Friday against Ohio State.

O'Hearn, who was the keeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. O'Hearn is a 6-0 forward. She saw her first playing time against Nebraska, recording a rebound in 5 minutes.

Strommen joined the Gophers at winter quarter after transferring from Arizona State. Strommen, who is from Bloomington, Minn., and Kennedy High School and played with former Gopher **Kay Schmidt** in high school, is a 5-8 guard and a sophomore in eligibility. She will wear #22. Strommen did not play basketball at Arizona State.

THE HEAD COACH--**Linda Hill-MacDonald** enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 64-117 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, Hill-MacDonald has a record of 229-247 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are **Tréka McMillian**, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint**

moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season, and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. **Pearson** was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers have struggled with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries and has suffered continuous injuries throughout the season. Here is the injury timeline of the Gophers this season:

September 13, 1996-- All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For **Stafford** it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. **Stafford** was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

September, 1996--Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** takes a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. **Taylor** was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

October 15, 1996--Forward **Sarah Schieber** tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. **Schieber** had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. **Schieber** was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

November 20, 1996--Forward **Lynda Hass** is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. **Hass** missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor for the Gophers and is currently fourth on the squad in scoring.

December, 1996--Starting point guard **Jaime Ellis**, who has averaged 34 minutes a game thus far this season, is diagnosed with a stress fracture and is limited to 16 minutes a game.

December 30, 1996--Reserve **Andrea Seago** suffered a nasal fracture when **Angie Iverson** caught her with an elbow. She is cleared to play, but will have to wear a protective face guard the next six weeks.

January 3, 1997--**Teresa O'Hearn** suffers a sprain of the right ankle. She missed the Indiana game, but returned for the Nebraska contest.

January 3, 1997--Reserve **Margaret Blom** missed the Indiana game due to migraine headaches. She returned Tuesday against Nebraska.

January 7, 1997--**Jaime Ellis** missed the Nebraska game due to a stress fracture.

THE OPPONENTS-PENN STATE--The defending Big Ten Tournament champion Lady Lions are struggling of late as they have dropped seven of their last eight games and have an 8-7 overall record and a 1-4 conference mark, good for 10th place in the conference. Penn State plays Iowa Tuesday night before playing the Gophers Friday.

Head coach **Rene Portland** is in her 17th season at Penn State compiling a 386-124 record. **Portland**, whose teams are traditionally ranked in the top 15 in the nation, led her team to the third-round of the NCAA Tournament a year ago eventually

losing to Auburn, 75-69.

Penn State is shooting 43 percent from the field and 34 percent from behind the three-point arc. Penn State has had a problem with turnovers this season committing over 20 a game.

Leading the way for the Lady Lions is all-Big Ten player **Angie Potthoff** and **Shauntai Hall**. **Potthoff** is among the league leaders in both scoring and rebounding at 19 points and 10 rebounds a game. **Potthoff**, who is 6-4, is also shooting 56 percent from the field. **Hall** is at 8.5 points a game and 3.5 rebounds, while point guard **Tiffany Longworth** is averaging 7.2 points and 5.4 assists a game.

THE SERIES--Penn State leads the series 8-1 and has won the last three games. Minnesota's only win against the Lady Lions occurred in 1995, when Minnesota surprised then #7 Penn State, 71-56, at the Sports Pavilion.

WISCONSIN--Wisconsin is currently ranked 12th in the nation and is second in the Big Ten at 12-3 overall and 5-2 in conference play. Even after the graduation of **Barb Franke** and the loss of **Katie Voigt** to an ACL injury at the beginning of the season, Wisconsin is still one of the premier teams in the Big Ten Conference. Wisconsin plays at Michigan Friday before playing the Gophers Sunday.

Head coach **Jane Albright-Dieterle** is in her third year at Wisconsin posting a 53-20 record during that time. Last season, the Badgers advanced to the second-round of the NCAA Tournament before losing to Texas Tech, 85-66.

On the season, Wisconsin is shooting 47 percent from the field and 38 percent from behind the three-point arc. They are also forcing their opponents to turn the ball over 26 times a game, while outscoring the opponent 78-67.

The Badgers are led by all-Big Ten point guard **Keisha Anderson**, who leads the Big Ten in scoring at 21 points a game. She also leads the Big Ten in steals at over three a game and has handed out almost five assists a game.

Ann Klapperich is second on the team in scoring at 18.3 points and 6.3 rebounds a game, while newcomer **Kelley Paulus** is averaging 7.6 points and 2.6 rebounds coming off of the bench.

THE SERIES--Minnesota leads the series 19-16, but Wisconsin has won the last four matchups. Last season, Wisconsin beat Minnesota 98-64 at the Sports Pavilion and 85-50 in Madison, Wis.

MINNESOTA PICKED TO FINISH 11TH IN BIG TEN--Minnesota was picked to finish 11th in the preseason Big Ten standings. Iowa was picked to finish first, followed by Wisconsin, Penn State, Northwestern, Michigan State, Illinois, Purdue, Indiana, Michigan and Minnesota.

MINNESOTA TRYING TO END BIG TEN LOSING SKID--Minnesota is trying to end a 29-game Big Ten losing streak. The last time the Gophers won a Big Ten game was against Illinois, 92-46, on February 10, 1995. Last year, Minnesota went 0-17 in the Big Ten, including a loss to Ohio State in the Big Ten Tournament, becoming only the second team to go winless in the conference. Michigan was the other team to not win a conference game during the 1993-94 season.

BIG TEN UPDATE-- Michigan State is in sole possession of first place, followed closely by Illinois, Wisconsin and Purdue. Here are the updated standings as of January 20.

	Big Ten	Overall
1. Michigan State	6-1	14-3
2. Illinois	6-2	14-4
3. Wisconsin	5-2	12-3
Purdue	5-2	9-7
5. Iowa	3-2	8-6
6. Michigan	3-4	11-5
Indiana	3-4	10-7
Northwestern	3-4	10-6
9. Ohio State	2-5	10-7
10. Penn State	1-4	8-7
11. Minnesota	0-7	2-15

GOPHER REWIND--NORTHWESTERN--Minnesota shot a season-high 48 percent and had a season-low 11 turnovers, but Northwestern connected on a Big Ten, Northwestern and Sports Pavilion record 13 three-pointers, including six by Kristina Divjak, to defeat the Gophers, 91-84, at the Sports Pavilion.

Minnesota was led by Mindy Hansen, who had a career-high 24 points, and Angie Iverson, who posted her 11th double-double of the season with 19 points and 14 rebounds.

For Northwestern, Megan Chawansky led all scorers with 27 points, followed by Divjak with 25 and Michele Ratay with 18. Point guard Amber DeWall had a career-high 12 assists for the Cats.

OHIO STATE--Minnesota got 18 points from Mindy Hansen, but it wasn't enough as Ohio State handed Minnesota its 28th consecutive Big Ten loss, 84-61, in Columbus, Ohio.

Minnesota outshot the Buckeyes but was completely dominated on the boards. Ohio State outrebounded the Gophers 44-29, including 23-12 on the offensive glass. Turnovers also haunted the Gophers, as they committed 24 in the game, including seven by Kiauna Burns.

The Gophers were in early trouble as Angie Iverson picked up two fouls in the first six minutes and was relegated to the bench for the rest of the first half. Iverson then picked up two quick fouls in the second half and played only 17 minutes in the game collecting eight points and five rebounds. Iverson averages almost 32 minutes a game.

Hansen led all Gopher scorers with 18 points, while Sarah Klun had 12 points and six rebounds. Ohio State's Larecha Jones posted a career-high 25 points and nine rebounds.

TEAM NOTES--On the season, statistics do not tell the whole story as the Gophers have been ahead in the second half in 10 of 17 games this season and leading at halftime in five of the contests, despite posting a 2-15 record.

Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 39 percent. Minnesota has shot above 45 percent only twice the entire season and above 40 percent four times in 1996-97. The Gophers are also struggling from the free-throw line, shooting 68 percent. With no players taller than 6-0 in the starting lineup, Minnesota is struggling on the boards, especially the offensive glass being outrebounded 279-220. Minnesota has been outscored by a 74-64 average by its opponents and turnovers are plaguing this squad at a rate of 24 a game.

IVERSON NAMED MINNESOTA WOMEN'S ATHLETICS ATHLETE OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER--

Angie Iverson was named Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for December. Iverson averaged 14.5 points and 12.8 rebounds during the month. She recorded four double-doubles in the month and set the Minnesota record for rebounds in a game with 25 against Colorado State on Dec. 3. and had a career-high 24 points against Wisconsin-Green Bay and Michigan State. She was also named to the all-tournament team at the Dial Soap Basketball Classic and the Lady Rebel Classic in Las Vegas, Nev.

IVERSON THIRD IN THE NATION IN REBOUNDING--

Center Angie Iverson dropped to third in the nation in rebounding as of January 13, after ranking second last week. Iverson, who is averaging 12.4 boards a game, is third only to Nikisha Moffett of Bethune-Cookman and Etolia Mitchell of Georgia State. Moffett has played in only four games and is averaging 14.8 a game, while Mitchell is averaging 14 rebounds a contest.

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--

Angie Iverson has posted 11 double-doubles in 17 games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 15.1 points and 12.4 rebounds a game. Her 12.4 rebounds a game is third in the nation and leads the Big Ten Conference. Iverson now has 17 double-doubles in her career. Iverson's best totals were at Colorado State, where she ripped down a Minnesota record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and 16 points. Iverson also has double-doubles against Marquette (11-12), Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14) and Fairfield (13-15), Indiana (21-11), Illinois (22-14), Michigan State (24-12), Northwestern (19-14) and Michigan (17-17). She has also missed two other double-doubles by one point or rebound in 1996-97.

Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON RANKS 12th IN BIG TEN IN SCORING--

Angie Iverson currently ranks 12th in the Big Ten in scoring in all games and fourth in conference games at 18.8 points. Northwestern's Michele Ratay and Wisconsin's Keisha Anderson are leading the Big Ten at 21 points a game, followed by Illinois' Ashley Berggren at 18.6 and Northwestern's Kristina Divjak at 18.6.

IVERSON TIES CAREER-HIGH IN SCORING--

Angie Iverson tied her career-high of 24 points on 7-of-16 shooting and 9-of-12 from the free throw line against Michigan State. Iverson also had 24 points against Wisconsin-Green Bay earlier this season. Iverson's previous career-best was 19 set against Marquette in 1994.

IVERSON BREAKS REBOUNDING RECORD--

Angie Iverson's career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record of 23 set in 1984 by Molly Tadich against Northwestern.

ALTHOUGH SHORT, IVERSON BIG IN THE MIDDLE-- On the season, **Angie Iverson** is averaging an impressive 12.4 rebounds on the boards. **Iverson** has led the Gophers in rebounding in 14 of 16 games this season and has not had double-figure rebounds in only two games this year (James Madison, Ohio State). **Iverson**, at 6-0, has been on the average three inches shorter than the opponent guarding her this season.

HANSEN RECORDS CAREER-HIGH--**Mindy Hansen**, who was relegated to the bench against both Ohio State and Northwestern over the weekend in a coach's decision, responded with her best games of the season. **Hansen** had a then-season-high 18 points Friday against Ohio State, then followed that with a career-high 24 points against Northwestern.

HANSEN RECORDS FIRST DOUBLE-DOUBLE--**Mindy Hansen** recorded her first double-double against Nebraska with 16 points and a career-high 10 rebounds in 37 minutes. **Hansen's** previous career-high in rebounds was eight versus Stephen F. Austin December 19.

HANSEN GOING CRAZY--Sophomore **Mindy Hansen** is second on the Gophers in scoring at 12.2 a game. **Hansen** has been in double figures in 12 of 17 games this season for the Gophers and has led the team six times in scoring. Last year, **Hansen** averaged almost six points a game and had a career-high of 19 points versus Northern Iowa.

KLUN PLAYING SOLID--Sophomore **Sarah Klun**, who missed last season with a torn ACL, made an impressive return to the floor as she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes against Western Illinois in the first game of the year.

She is currently fourth on the team in scoring at 8.5 points a game and was in double figures during both games of the Lady Rebel Classic. **Klun** has scored in double figures in nine games this season. Against Indiana, **Klun** had 16 points and a career-high nine rebounds in 26 minutes of action. **Klun** played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

KLUN AUTOMATIC FROM THE FREE-THROW LINE--**Sarah Klun** loves to go to the free-throw line as she has missed only three free throws during her career at Minnesota. **Klun** is 35-38 (.921) from the line.

HASS SPARK OFF THE BENCH--Sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, has been a spark plug for Minnesota off the bench. **Hass** is third on the team in scoring with 9.3 points a game. She had a career-high 19 points against Illinois and followed that with 14 versus Michigan State last week. **Hass**, who played in 13 games as a first-year athlete due to a stress fracture, averaged only 1.4 points and two rebounds a game last year.

BURNS MAKES FIRST CAREER STARTS FOR GOPHERS--Newcomer **Kiauna Burns** made her first three career starts as a Gopher against Nebraska, Illinois and Michigan State and now has earned herself a permanent starting position. Since joining the starting lineup, **Burns** has averaged eight points and 39 minutes, including 42 minutes against Illinois.

BURNS RANKS IN TOP TEN FOR STEALS--**Kiauna Burns** ranks fourth in the Big Ten for steals with 2.4 a game. Wisconsin's **Keisha Anderson** leads the Big Ten with 3.21 a game.

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will make seven appearances on MSC this season, including when the Gophers play Wisconsin January 26, in the Big Ten Game of the Week.

Other remaining games appearing on MSC:

Sunday, Jan 26	at Wisconsin	3 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 16	Indiana	2 p.m.

MINNESOTA SIGNS TWO IN THE EARLY PERIOD--Minnesota has signed **Theresa LeCuyer** of Anoka, Minn., and **Ayesha Whitfield** from Detroit Cass Tech to national letters of intent for the fall of 1997. **LeCuyer** is a 6-0 forward, while **Whitfield** is a point guard.

LeCuyer is a two-sport athlete and an all-state soccer goalie for Anoka High School. She played on the Minnesota Power Play AAU team last summer, along with **Kiauna Burns**, placing fourth in the nation. She was also named MVP at BCI Nationals in Lubbock, Texas. **LeCuyer** leads the state of Minnesota right now and was the KARE-11 Athlete of the Week in January.

Whitfield was an all-state player and a PSL Miss Basketball finalist in Detroit. Her team advanced to the second round of the Michigan State tournament this year as she averaged 20 points, five rebounds and six steals a game. She was also named PSL Player of the Week twice during the season. She was named all-city in golf as well, her first year to play the sport.

UP NEXT--Minnesota returns home to play Purdue and Ohio State at the Sports Pavilion. Game time Friday is 7 p.m. and Sunday is 2 p.m. Sunday will be "Take a Girl to the Game" day where all adults are encouraged to bring a young girl or boy to the game.

University of Minnesota 1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 8-0 Big Ten: 2-0 Invitationals: 2-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State			
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Wisconsin			
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue			
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Illinois			
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa			
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge			
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)		200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)		400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)
Jenny Hennen 23.69 •		Marta Knowles 2:05.11		3:28.50 – Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Krissy Berglund, Jenny Hennen
Amy Cottrill 23.95		Beth Shimanski 2:09.21		
Terri Jashinsky 24.34		Kimberly Wilson 2:08.46		800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)
Devon Coellner 24.34		Amy Cottrill 2:10.13		7:29.86* – Jenny Hennen, Terri Jashinsky, Alicia Hicken, Olga Splichalova
Heather Miller 24.53		Alicia Hicken 2:13.59		
100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)		100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)		200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)
Jenny Hennen 51.41 •		Gretchen Hegener 1:02.21 #		1:43.18* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
Amy Cottrill 52.00		Devon Coellner 1:05.66		
Terri Jashinsky 52.49		Kate McMillan 1:06.01		400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)
Devon Coellner 53.05		Michelle Fischer 1:07.58		3:46.10* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
Olga Splichalova 53.11		Katie Olson 1:08.80		
200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)		200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:15.49)		1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)
Jenny Hennen 1:50.11 •		Gretchen Hegener 2:15.49 **		Andrea Berg 268.900 %
Olga Splichalova 1:50.19 •		Kate McMillan 2:22.33		Carrie Hansen 268.500 %
Terri Jashinsky 1:52.98		Devon Coellner 2:23.22		Jenny Cook 253.725 %
Alicia Hicken 1:53.56		Michelle Fischer 2:25.48		Shelby Evadine Miller 233.250
Amy Cottrill 1:54.66		Jessica Grass 2:25.94		Andrea Wheeler 173.950
500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)		100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)		1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)
Olga Splichalova 4:50.45 •		Tanya Schuh 54.86 #		Andrea Berg 428.750 %
Kimberly Wilson 4:56.98		Terry Jashinsky 56.31 •		Carrie Hansen 393.200 %
Jenny Hennen 4:58.75		Jenny Hennen 57.92		Jenny Cook 351.35
Alicia Hicken 4:59.68		Carrie Raeth 58.58		Shelby Evadine Miller 305.00
Jessica Grass 5:01.59		Jessica Grass 58.94		Andrea Wheeler 213.10
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68\$)		200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)		3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)
Olga Splichalova 9:50.10		Jessica Grass 2:02.73 •		Carrie Hansen 291.400 %
Jenny Hennen 9:51.51		Terri Jashinsky 2:03.05 •		Andrea Berg 283.650 %
Kimberly Wilson 10:06.79		Jenny Hennen 2:04.25		Jenny Cook 272.625 %
Alicia Hicken 10:14.87		Tanya Schuh 2:05.33		Shelby Evadine Miller 254.550
Jessica Grass 10:19.90		Kerry Grimord 2:06.61		Andrea Wheeler 183.150
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)		200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)		3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)
Olga Splichalova 16:27.68 •		Jenny Hennen 2:06.46		Andrea Berg 487.10 %
Kimberly Wilson 16:46.66 •		Jessica Grass 2:07.38		Carrie Hansen 441.60 %
Alicia Hicken 17:06.47		Devon Coellner 2:08.44		Jenny Cook 430.90 %
Marta Knowles 17:47.14		Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72		Shelby Evadine Miller 352.10
Elizabeth Weld 18:08.52		Kate McMillan 2:11.16		Andrea Wheeler 280.10
100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)		400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)		Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)
Shona Baillie 58.07		Olga Splichalova 4:21.91		Carrie Hansen 325.35 %
Beth Shimanski 58.21		Jessica Grass 4:22.52		Jenny Cook 287.10
Marta Knowles 1:00.38		Marta Knowles 4:30.41		Andrea Wheeler 264.25
Amy Cottrill 1:01.63		Kimberly Wilson 4:31.39		
Carrie Raeth 1:01.30		200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)		Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)
		1:35.14 – Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen		

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time

•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 3-1 Dual: 0-1 Invites: 3-0 Home: 3-0 Away: 0-1 Big Ten: 0-1 Top 25: 0-1

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#8 Arizona										
1/31--at #20 Utah St.										
2/8--at Iowa State										
2/15--#4 Utah										
2/22--at #17 UMass										
3/1--#24 Ohio State										
Illinois										
3/9--at Missouri										
3/14--Iowa State										
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										

Raw Average: 192.463

Regional Qual. Score*:

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.775	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.825	at Michigan (1/18/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.750	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Mindy Knaeble	9.925*	at Michigan (1/18/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	38.85	at Michigan (1/18/97)
TEAM VAULT	48.225		at Michigan (1/18/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	47.825		Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	47.700		Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	49.200		Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	192.825		Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)

*-school record

CUMULATIVE
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 17 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN			
		FG/	FGA	FG%	FG/	FGA	FG%					REB	REB	REB										
Angie Iverson	17/ 17	82/	183	.448	1/	4	.250	92/	126	.730	257	15.1	91	120	211	12.4	52/	0	24	54	9	19	545	
Mindy Hansen	17/ 15	84/	234	.359	9/	46	.196	31/	52	.596	208	12.2	21	55	76	4.5	34/	1	54	87	7	29	570	
Lynda Hass	15/ 1	51/	118	.432	12/	39	.308	25/	36	.694	139	9.3	29	31	60	4.0	27/	1	14	32	2	12	337	
Sarah Klun	17/ 17	57/	139	.410	0/	5	.000	31/	34	.912	145	8.5	26	40	66	3.9	45/	2	23	45	1	17	413	
Kiauna Burns	17/ 5	41/	113	.363	6/	31	.194	21/	48	.438	109	6.4	11	33	44	2.6	37/	2	49	79	2	42	499	
Sonja Robinson	17/ 14	40/	119	.336	0/	3	.000	28/	42	.667	108	6.4	29	48	77	4.5	37/	1	26	44	9	12	462	
Jaime Ellis	16/ 16	23/	70	.329	10/	44	.227	10/	13	.769	66	4.1	3	12	15	.9	25/	0	41	41	2	10	343	
Andrea Seago	17/ 0	24/	52	.462	0/	0	.000	8/	11	.727	56	3.3	9	35	44	2.6	27/	0	5	14	7	1	228	
Si Nonginithirat	2/ 0	1/	1	1.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	2	1.0	0	1	1	.5	1/	0	0	4	0	1	6	
Margaret Blom	2/ 0	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0	.0	0	1	1	.5	1/	0	0	1	0	0	16	
Teresa O'Hearn	2/ 0	0/	1	.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	.5	0/	0	0	2	0	0	6	
Team Rebounds																							115	
Golden Gophers	17/ 17	403/	1030	.391	38/	172	.221	246/	362	.680	1090	64.1	220	376	711	41.8	286/	7	236	403	39	143	--	
Team Rebounds																								82
Opponent Totals	17/ 17	483/	1176	.411	78/	262	.298	214/	322	.665	1258	74.0	279	387	748	44.0	321/	6	280	341	75	232	--	

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/--TOTAL-/		/--- 3PT ---/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	4.8	10.8	.1	.2	5.4	7.4	15.1	12.4	1.4	3.2	.5	1.1	32.1
Mindy Hansen	4.9	13.8	.5	2.7	1.8	3.1	12.2	4.5	3.2	5.1	.4	1.7	33.5
Lynda Hass	3.4	7.9	.8	2.6	1.7	2.4	9.3	4.0	.9	2.1	.1	.8	22.5
Sarah Klun	3.4	8.2	.0	.3	1.8	2.0	8.5	3.9	1.4	2.7	.1	1.0	24.3
Kiauna Burns	2.4	6.7	.4	1.8	1.2	2.8	6.4	2.6	2.9	4.7	.1	2.5	29.4
Sonja Robinson	2.4	7.0	.0	.2	1.7	2.5	6.4	4.5	1.5	2.6	.5	.7	27.2
Jaime Ellis	1.4	4.4	.6	2.8	.6	.8	4.1	.9	2.6	2.6	.1	.6	21.4
Andrea Seago	1.4	3.1	.0	.0	.5	.7	3.3	2.6	.3	.8	.4	.1	13.4
Si Nonginithirat	.5	.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.5	.0	2.0	.0	.5	3.0
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.5	.0	.5	.0	.0	8.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.5	.0	1.0	.0	.0	3.0
Golden Gophers	23.7	60.6	2.2	10.1	14.5	21.3	64.1	41.8	13.9	23.7	2.3	8.4	----
Opponent Totals	28.4	69.2	4.6	15.4	12.6	18.9	74.0	44.0	16.5	20.1	4.4	13.7	----

BIG TEN STATS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 7 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	7/ 7	40/ 87	.460	1/ 3	.333	40/ 52	.769	121	17.3	36	46	82	11.7	22/ 0	12	20	6	13	237		
Mindy Hansen	7/ 5	35/ 94	.372	2/ 17	.118	13/ 18	.722	85	12.1	9	18	27	3.9	19/ 0	23	31	3	13	234		
Lynda Hass	7/ 1	29/ 69	.420	8/ 28	.286	10/ 12	.833	76	10.9	11	18	29	4.1	15/ 0	8	18	0	6	185		
Sarah Klun	7/ 7	24/ 51	.471	0/ 2	.000	8/ 10	.800	56	8.0	12	21	33	4.7	15/ 0	7	19	0	3	157		
Kiauna Burns	7/ 4	18/ 51	.353	2/ 13	.154	10/ 19	.526	48	6.9	4	16	20	2.9	16/ 0	24	37	0	19	235		
Sonja Robinson	7/ 4	14/ 40	.350	0/ 1	.000	9/ 13	.692	37	5.3	8	12	20	2.9	15/ 0	9	15	4	3	178		
Andrea Seago	7/ 0	11/ 27	.407	0/ 0	.000	3/ 4	.750	25	3.6	3	17	20	2.9	14/ 0	2	3	0	1	96		
Jaime Ellis	7/ 7	7/ 20	.350	2/ 8	.250	1/ 2	.500	17	2.4	2	3	5	.7	6/ 0	9	14	0	2	92		
Si Nonginthirat	1/ 0	1/ 1	1.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	2	2.0	0	1	1	1.0	1/ 0	0	4	0	1	5		
Margaret Blom	1/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	1/ 0	0	1	0	0	5		
Teresa O'Hearn	1/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0	1		
Team Rebounds																				46	
Golden Gophers	7/ 7	179/ 440	.407	15/ 72	.208	94/ 130	.723	467	66.7	85	152	283	40.4	124/ 0	94	162	13	61	--		
Team Rebounds																				41	
Opponent Totals	7/ 7	210/ 497	.423	32/ 118	.271	98/ 140	.700	550	78.6	113	158	312	44.6	120/ 1	125	133	34	97	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	5.7	12.4	.1	.4	5.7	7.4	17.3	11.7	1.7	2.9	.9	1.9	33.9
Mindy Hansen	5.0	13.4	.3	2.4	1.9	2.6	12.1	3.9	3.3	4.4	.4	1.9	33.4
Lynda Hass	4.1	9.9	1.1	4.0	1.4	1.7	10.9	4.1	1.1	2.6	.0	.9	26.4
Sarah Klun	3.4	7.3	.0	.3	1.1	1.4	8.0	4.7	1.0	2.7	.0	.4	22.4
Kiauna Burns	2.6	7.3	.3	1.9	1.4	2.7	6.9	2.9	3.4	5.3	.0	2.7	33.6
Sonja Robinson	2.0	5.7	.0	.1	1.3	1.9	5.3	2.9	1.3	2.1	.6	.4	25.4
Andrea Seago	1.6	3.9	.0	.0	.4	.6	3.6	2.9	.3	.4	.0	.1	13.7
Jaime Ellis	1.0	2.9	.3	1.1	.1	.3	2.4	.7	1.3	2.0	.0	.3	13.1
Si Nonginthirath	1.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	2.0	1.0	.0	4.0	.0	1.0	5.0
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.0	5.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0
Golden Gophers	25.6	62.9	2.1	10.3	13.4	18.6	66.7	40.4	13.4	23.1	1.9	8.7	----
Opponent Totals	30.0	71.0	4.6	16.9	14.0	20.0	78.6	44.6	17.9	19.0	4.9	13.9	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	514	565	11	0	1090	46
Opponent Totals	582	661	15	0	1258	39

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	2-15	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	19402	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	1141
Big Ten	0- 7	HOME	11048	HOME AVERAGE	1228
Dial Soap Classic	1- 1	AWAY	8354	AWAY AVERAGE	1044
UNLV Classic	1- 1				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	!Wyoming	68- 66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	!James Madison	56- 64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60- 78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62- 75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63- 66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	@Stephen F. Austin	63- 80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	12/20	@Fairfield	74- 68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48- 61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63- 82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61- 67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47- 68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	01/10	*Illinois	85- 89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	01/12	*Michigan State	65- 76	L H	1288 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7
16	01/17	*Ohio State	61- 84	L A	3835 Hansen, 18	Klun, 6	Jones, 25	Jones, 9
17	01/19	*Northwestern	84- 91	L H	2122 Hansen, 24	Iverson, 14	Chawansky, 27	Ratay, 8

* Big Ten

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(for immediate release)

January 27, 1997

Catch what you've been Missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, January 31	
SW hosts Quad Duals	6 p.m.
BKB hosts Purdue	7 p.m.
GY at Utah State	8 p.m.
Saturday, February 1	
SW hosts Quad Duals	12 noon
TN hosts Iowa State	4:30 p.m.
Sunday, February 2	
BKB hosts Ohio State	2 p.m.

All Times CST

What's Coming Up

- #9 Swimming & Diving hosts Quad Duals with nationally-ranked Illinois, Wisconsin and Purdue
- Basketball hosts Purdue and Ohio State
- Sunday is "Take a Girl to the Game" Day at Basketball
- #19 Gymnastics travels to Utah State
- #39 Tennis opens spring season Saturday with dual match against Iowa State

Last Week's Highlights

- Gymnasts upset #12 Arizona
- Newcomer Judith Cavazos wins all-around title versus Arizona
- Swimming and Diving achieves highest national ranking ever at #9, remains undefeated
- Track's Chanteau White sets Minnesota record in 55m hurdles, while Natalie Smith sets frosh record in long jump
- Angie Iverson records 12th double-double of the season, still is third in the nation in rebounding

Swimming and Diving

GOPHERS RANKED NINTH IN THE NATION FOR HIGHEST TEAM RANKING EVER--The University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team received its highest ranking ever in the latest Speedo America's Top 25 Coaches Swimming & Diving Poll. The Gophers were ranked ninth in the poll which was released Jan. 22. Minnesota started the season ranked 15th in the preseason poll released October 16, but jumped to 10th in the next poll, dated November 13. The team slipped to 11th in the November 27 poll, but regained 10th in the December 17 rankings and maintained the position in the January 8 release. Prior to this year, the swimming and diving team's highest ranking was 14th, from the February 22, 1995 coaches poll. The only other Minnesota women's team to be ranked higher than ninth was the softball team with an eighth-place ranking in the March 10, 1992 poll.

There are six Big Ten Conference schools in the last poll, with Michigan at sixth, followed by the Gophers, Northwestern (16), Wisconsin (22), Illinois (23) and Penn State (25). The top five teams, in order, are Stanford, SMU, Georgia, USC and Arizona.

MINNESOTA HOSTS COED QUAD DUALS--The #9 Gophers host the coed Quad Duals meet on Friday, Jan. 31 and Saturday, Feb. 1, at the University Aquatic Center. The Minnesota women will compete against #22 Wisconsin, #23 Illinois and unranked Purdue, while the men will swim against Purdue and Wisconsin. The meet will feature two heats of each event except for 1,000-yard freestyle and both relay team events, which will have one heat each. The competition starts at 6 p.m. on Friday and 12 noon on Saturday.

ABOUT WISCONSIN - The 22nd-ranked Badgers are 5-2 overall and 1-1 in Big Ten competition. Wisconsin won its first Big Ten meet of the year January 24, when they beat Iowa at Iowa City, 165-129, after losing to Northwestern on the road, 132-111. The Badgers have defeated New Mexico (78-17), Hawaii (161-41), Northern Illinois (163-140) and Washington State (150-54), while losing to Arizona (68-31).

SERIES RECORD - This meet will mark the 20th meeting between the two teams, with the Gophers holding the edge in the series record 12-6-1. The first meeting between the teams dates back to the 1977-78 season. Minnesota has won 10 of the last 11 meets, with a tie filling in the gap. In the last Gopher-Badger faceoff which was during the 1994-95 season at the Quad Duals, Minnesota won by just 10 points, 181-171.

ABOUT PURDUE- Purdue is 5-2 overall this season and 1-2 in Big Ten competition. In the conference, the Boilermakers have defeated Indiana 165.6-134.5 and lost to Penn State 195-104 and Northwestern 163-137. Purdue has defeated Miami-Ohio (169-131), Vincennes (130-85), Ball State (178-103) and St. Bonaventure (178-121)

SERIES RECORD - The Gophers and Boilermakers have competed against one another a dozen times since the 1978-79 season, with Minnesota leading 11-1. The teams' last meeting was at the 1994-95 Quad Duals, with Minnesota winning 223-129.

ABOUT ILLINOIS - No. 23-ranked Illinois is 11-3 overall and 3-1 in the conference. Big Ten victories have been at the expense of Northwestern (57-56), Iowa (161-131) and Indiana (199.5-98.5). The only conference loss was with perennial Big Ten powerhouse Michigan, with the Wolverines winning 204-96. Non-conference victories are over Cincinnati, Missouri, Illinois State, Alabama, UC-Irvine, Fresno State, Notre Dame, Southern Illinois. Non-conference losses have been to Tennessee and UCLA.

SERIES RECORD - Minnesota has never lost to Illinois and has a series record of 8-0. The Gophers and Illinois first met in a dual meet during the 1984-85 season. In their last meeting at the Quad Duals during the 1994-95 season, Minnesota defeated Illinois 240-106.

NCAA QUALIFIERS - Minnesota's ninth-place coaches poll ranking is due to the strength and depth of the team. The Gophers are led by a talented group of swimmers and divers, including **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER-LUTHERAN)** and **TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)**, who both have already qualified for the 1997 NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships.

• Junior **Gretchen Hegener** is Minnesota's top breaststroke specialist again this year. A 1996 all-American in the 100-yard breaststroke, **Hegener** has made NCAA automatic qualifying time this year in the 100-yard breaststroke and consideration time in the 200-yard breaststroke. She also reset her school record in the longer event this season with a time of 2:15.49. **Hegener** is undefeated in 100-yard breaststroke with six wins, has finished first six of seven times in the 200-yard race and has been a member of 10 winning 200-yard medley relay teams.

• Senior all-American **Tanya Schuh** is the other Gopher swimmer who has surpassed the NCAA automatic qualifying time in her specialty, the 100-yard butterfly. **Schuh** has won the butterfly eight times this year and had been on 10 winning 200-yard medley relay teams and one victorious 400-yard medley relay team.

GOPHERS DEFEAT OHIO STATE AT HOME - Minnesota defeated Ohio State 178-117 at Minnesota's University Aquatic Center on Friday, Jan. 24. Minnesota improved its unbeaten season record to 9-0 overall and 3-0 in the conference while the Buckeyes slipped to 3-3 overall and 2-1 in the conference.

Minnesota had two double-event winners, with all four victories coming the freestyle races. First-year swimmer **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN/ANOKA)** won the 50- (23.67) and 200-yard freestyle (1:51.69) events while junior distance swimmer **OLGA SPLICALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)** won the 500- (5:53.50) and 1,000-yard freestyle (9:53.29) races.

UP NEXT--Minnesota hosts Iowa in dual meet action Saturday, Feb. 8, at the University Aquatics Center. Meet time is 2 p.m.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO UTAH STATE—The University of Minnesota women's gymnastics team will travel to Logan, Utah, for a dual meet on Friday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m. The Gophers are ranked 19th in the country on the basis of high score and sport a 4-1 record following a 191.800-191.425 victory over No. 12 Arizona on Saturday night.

UTAH STATE—The Aggies were tied for 17th in the country in last week's rankings with a season-high score of 193.000, just ahead of Minnesota's 192.825. Utah State should move up despite a 196.75-193.625 loss this weekend to Utah, because the Aggies increased their season-high.

Utah State is 1-1 following the loss to Utah. The Aggies beat Boise State, 193.000-189.55, in their first meet of the year. Utah State is a young team, with just four seniors and two juniors on a roster of 18. But seniors **Beth Neilson** and **Shannon Passe** have been major contributors. Neilson competes only in the uneven bars, but has posted scores of 9.85 and 9.9 in anchoring the Aggies' best event. Passe has been the team's top all-arounder in both meets, with scores of 38.3 and 38.75. Head coach **Ray Corn** is in his 20th season at Utah State and has a 258-158-2 record. Minnesota is 5-8 in the all-time series with Utah State.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON—Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, Stephenson owns a 54-67 overall record at Minnesota. Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES—**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHERS UPSET NO. 12 ARIZONA—Minnesota improved to 4-1 on the season with a come-from-behind 191.800-191.425 victory over Arizona. Minnesota trailed Arizona 144.025-142.925 entering the evening's final rotation, which was the floor exercise for the Gophers and the balance beam for the Wildcats. Minnesota's last four competitors on the floor — frosh **JUDITH CAVAZOS** (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANA DEL NORESTE), seniors **JONDA HAMMONS** (LODI, CA/LODI) and **KRISTEN VANDERSALL** (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG) and junior **MINDY KNAEBLE** (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE) — each scored above 9.825 on the floor, while Arizona's last three competitors on the beam fell off the apparatus. Minnesota won the floor exercise and balance beam events, while Arizona captured the vault and the uneven bars. Individual event winners for the Gophers were **Knaeble** on the floor exercise with a 9.9, **Cavazos** in the all-around with a total of 38.45, and junior **LACEY PURKAT** (ANNANDALE, VA/W.T. WOODSON), who tied for first on the balance beam with a 9.775. Arizona was without the 1996 NCAA floor exercise

co-champion, **Heidi Hornbeek**, who did not make the trip because of the flu.

KNAEBLE FLOORS 'EM AGAIN—In all three of Minnesota's meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has scored 9.9 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble** continued her stellar season on the floor with a 9.9 to clinch the victory over Arizona. The previous week, she set a school record with a 9.925 in winning the event at Michigan. **Knaeble** now has five of the Gophers' six best marks ever in the event, including the 9.925, which tied the Minnesota individual record for any apparatus, and four scores of 9.9. Former Gopher gymnast **Lori Kindler** also scored a 9.9. **Knaeble**, the defending Big Ten champion in the floor exercise, has won the event in all three of Minnesota's meets this season.

CAVAZOS WINS ALL-AROUND—Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** earned her first all-around victory in only her third collegiate meet. **Cavazos** is the only Gopher to have competed in the all-around this season, and her score of 38.45 was enough to beat Arizona's **Tenli Poggemeyer**, who scored 38.275. **Cavazos'** marks included a personal-record 9.850 on the floor exercise. The victory came on the heels of an impressive performance at Michigan, where **Cavazos** placed second in the all-around with a score of 38.85, losing only to Michigan newcomer **Sarah Cain**. In the process, **Cavazos** beat the defending Big Ten all-around champion, **Beth Amelkovich** of Michigan, who scored 38.8. **Cavazos** set personal records on the uneven bars (a Minnesota season-high 9.825), the vault (9.575) and the balance beam (9.675).

PURKAT HITS GOPHER SEASON-HIGH ON THE BEAM—Minnesota junior **Lacey Purkat** scored a 9.775 on the balance beam to tie for first place. Her score was Minnesota's best on the event this season. **Purkat** recorded her career-high in the event, 9.825, against Utah last season. Led by **Purkat** and **Mindy Knaeble**, who scored 9.75, the Gophers won the beam, 47.975-47.4.

MORE ON THE FLOOR—Minnesota's best event this season has been the floor exercise, where the Gophers have recorded three of their six best scores ever. Their 48.875 mark against Arizona ranks sixth all-time. The Gophers' 48.95 score against Michigan ranks fourth all-time, while the 49.2 at the Best of Minnesota meet is second-best. Minnesota is taking dead aim on the school record of 49.275, which was set against Utah last season. Four Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including **Knaeble's** school record. **Kristen Vandersall** tied her personal best on Saturday with a 9.875, while **Judith Cavazos** set a personal record with a 9.85. **Jonda Hammons** tied her career-high at the Best of Minnesota with a 9.875.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE—Minnesota is on the road for the next two meets. After Utah State, the Gophers visit Iowa State for a dual meet on Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. Their next home meet is Feb. 15 against Utah at the Sports Pavilion. The meet begins at 7 p.m.

Track and Field

Minnesota has the weekend off before traveling to Ames, Iowa, for the Iowa State Invitational on Feb. 8.

GOPHER REWIND: CHANTEAU WHITE BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD IN 55-METER DASH — Minnesota was the team winner at the Minnesota Invitational at the University Fieldhouse on Saturday. Junior **CHANTEAU WHITE (ALLEN, TX/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE)** broke the school record in the 55-meter dash in 6.97 seconds. The previous record was held by teammate **KIMBERLY HEATH (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY)**. White also took first place in the long jump and second place in the 55-meter hurdles. **NATALIE SMITH (ST. SHOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL)** tied a Minnesota frosh record in the long jump with a leap of 18-2 1/4. Smith also placed first in the triple jump.

OTHER GOPHER RESULTS — **ANDREA LENTZ (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR)**, **KERI ZWEIG (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA)**, and **MINNA HARONOJA (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA SECONDARY SCHOOL)** placed second, third, and fourth in the mile run. **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN (MAASBRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDYLE)** was just two seconds off her own frosh record in the 3000-meter run in a time of 9:48.28, which placed her second in that event. **KARI THOMPSON (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON)**, **AMY HOEL (CORNELL, WI/CORNELL)**, and **JANET HOWE (SIREN, WI/SIREN)** placed second, third, and fourth in the 5000-meter run. In the shot put, **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** placed second and **TINA MCDONALD (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERSTBURG)** third. As a team, Minnesota placed first with 142 points, 43 ahead of second-place North Dakota State. Iowa, the only other Big Ten school to compete, was fourth with 73 points.

TEAM SCORES

1	Minnesota	142.0
2	North Dakota State	99.0
3	Iowa State	93.0
4	Iowa	73.0
5	Manitoba	60.0
6	St. Cloud State	26.0
7	St. Thomas	19.0
8	Hamline	6.0
9	North Dakota	4.0

MINNESOTA RESULTS

55 Meter Dash (Final)

1. Chanteau White, :06.97 (Minnesota team record); 5. Kimberly Heath, :07.49; 9. Natalie Smith, :07.67

200 Meter Dash

2. Yvette White, :25.76; 4. Shellie Braggs, :25.93; 11. Kimberly Heath, :26.97

400 Meter Dash

5. Alisa Gartner, 1:00.86

600 Meter Dash

10. Alissa Bruss, 1:43.21

800 Meter Run

6. Kristi Stiles, 2:19.88

Ron Renko Mile Run

2. Andrea Lentz, 5:03.52; 3. Keri Zweig, 5:09.94; 4. Minna Haronoja, 5:12.78; 10. Marissa McGill, 5:22.97; 11. Genalyn Johnson, 5:25.54; 14. Danielle Giusti, 5:36.23; 15. Beth Cordes, 5:38.83

3000 Meter Run

2. Daphne Panhuysen, 9:48.28; 4. Karen Kleindl, 10:22.85; 7. Nikki Rassbach, 11:09.30; 8. Tiffany Barron, 11:14.59; 10. Christie Heikes, 11:32.84

5000 Meter Run

2. Kari Thompson, 17:28.27; 3. Amy Hoel, 18:47.80; 4. Janet Howe, 18:53.33

55m High Hurdles (Final)

2. Chanteau White, :08.20

Distance Medley Relay

2. Minnesota, 12:31.35

Long Jump

1. Chanteau White, 18-8 (5.69m); 2. Natalie Smith, 18-2 1/4 (5.54m) (ties frosh record)

Triple Jump

1. Natalie Smith, 38-7 1/2 (11.77m)

Shot Put

2. Dani Parkos, 46-4 (14.12m); 3. Tina McDonald, 44-8 3/4 (13.63m)

MINNESOTA INVITATIONAL RESULTS IN THE ALL-TIME TOP TEN LIST — Chanteau White, who has competed in just two meets as a Gopher, ranks in the top ten of three all-time lists. White broke the school record in the 55 meters at the Minnesota Invitational. She also holds fifth place in both the 55 hurdles and the long jump. **YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, D.C./WOODROW WILSON)** and **SHELLIE BRAGGS (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN)** both moved into the all-time 200 meter list; White is eighth and Braggs ninth. Natalie Smith ranks fifth in the triple jump and moved up from ninth to eighth in the long jump.

OTHERS IN THE TOP TEN — **Apasha Blocker** is the school record holder in the pentathlon and also ranks ninth all-time in the triple jump. **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KHRISTIANSAND KATEDRALSKOLE)** holds the second spot all-time in the triple jump behind current volunteer jumps coach **Lori Hardrick**. **Kimberly Heath** ranks first in the 200-meter dash and second in the 55-meter dash. **Dani Parkos** holds the third spot in the shot put. **Yvette White** is fourth in the 400 meter dash and eighth in the 55 hurdles. **Daphne Panhuysen** ranks sixth all-time in the 3000 meter run. **Keri Zweig** is ninth in the 1000 meter run. **Tina McDonald** ranks tenth in the shot put.

UP NEXT--Minnesota returns home for the Minnesota Invitational Saturday, Feb. 15 at the Minnesota Fieldhouse.

Tennis

MINNESOTA HOSTS IOWA STATE SATURDAY-- Minnesota will open its spring season Saturday against Iowa State at the 98th Street Racquet Club in Bloomington. Match time is 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY IS HELEN WANG HOMETOWN DAY--The Women's Athletics Department and WCCO 8•3•0 are sponsoring a Hometown Day celebration for newcomer **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** and her hometown of Eagan, Minn. Wang will be honored before the start of Saturday's meet against Iowa State.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--The Gophers are ranked #39 in the nation after a successful fall season where they won 61 percent of their singles matches and half of their doubles contests. Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/ VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)** went 10-1 in the fall taking over the #1 spot on the team.

Minnesota's probable starting lineup

- #1 Nora Sauska
- #2 Alice Rangsitienchai
- #3 Jenni Svehla
- #4 Tarah Elkins
- #5 Jennifer Hayes
- #6 Jana Hrdinova

Doubles:

- #1 Sauska/Elkins
- #2 Svehla/Rangsitienchai
- #3 Hayes/Hrdinova

ABOUT IOWA STATE--This is also the first dual meet of the season for the Cyclones. Iowa State is coached by Michelle Conlon, who is in her fifth season. The Cyclones top player is Erika Asmuss, who has a 5-3 record thus far.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 39th in the fall Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. Nora Sauska is the only Minnesota player ranked in the individual rankings. She is 46th in the nation after posting a 10-1 fall record and winning two singles titles and a doubles title.

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS--Nora Sauska's 10 match winning streak was only three wins away from tying the Minnesota record for consecutive wins at 13 set by Lisa Martin set in 1983-84.

RANGSITHIENCHAI BACK WITH A VENGEANCE--ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/ HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR), the 1996 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year, is playing strong for Gophers again this season. Rangsitienchai won seven matches in the fall, good for second on the team with newcomer Helen Wang.

MINNESOTA WINS FOUR TITLES IN FALL--Nora Sauska and JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON, WI) combined to win Minnesota's four titles this fall. Sauska was the singles champion in Flight B at the Notre Dame Invitational and the A winner at the Wolfpack Invite, while Sauska teamed with Hrdinova to win the B doubles crown at Notre Dame. Hrdinova won her second doubles title over the weekend teaming with Christy Delgado of Iowa at the Indiana Regional Invitational.

UP NEXT--Minnesota will host Drake and DePaul next weekend at the 98th Street Racquet Club. Match time against Drake Friday, Feb. 7, is 6:30 p.m., followed by an 8 a.m. match against DePaul Sunday. Nora Sauska and Alice Rangsitienchai will also be awaiting word if they received an invitational to play in the Rolex Indoor Championships scheduled for Feb. 6-9, in Dallas, Tex.

Basketball

MINNESOTA HOSTS PURDUE AND OHIO STATE-- Minnesota, 2-17 overall and 0-9 in the Big Ten Conference, hosts Purdue Friday evening and Ohio State Sunday afternoon in Big Ten action. Purdue is 10-8 overall and 6-3 in the Big Ten Conference, while Ohio State is 10-9 and 2-7 in conference play. Ohio State defeated Minnesota two weeks ago, 84-61, in Columbus, Ohio.

SUNDAY IS "TAKE A GIRL TO THE GAME" DAY-- Sunday's game against Ohio State is "Take a Girl to the Game" day sponsored by the National Girls and Women in Sports and Host Communications. Any child 18-and-under will receive free admission with a paying adult. NIKE and Lady Foot Locker will recognize regional winners of its 3for All competition and free admission coupons are available at Lady Foot Locker's in the area. Sunday will also be a celebration of Black History Month at the Sports Pavilion.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota has been shuffling its starting lineup lately as MINDY HANSEN (CHASKA, MN/CHASKA), who started the first 15 games of the season, has come off the bench in the last four games. SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL) has started in place of Hansen at the small forward position. The starting lineup now features two juniors in ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA) and JAIME ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO), two sophomores (Robinson and SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)) and a first-year athlete (KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)). The probable starting lineup:

#23	G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
#21	F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
#15	G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
#53	C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
#45	F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette

The Reserves

#12	G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
#22	G	Stephanie Strommen	5-8	So.	Bloomington, Minn./Kennedy/ Arizona St.
#24	C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
#25	G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
#32	F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
#35	C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
#33	F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season, but has battled its opponents close in every game. Minnesota has been ahead in the second half in 10 of 19 games this season and has only lost four games by more than 20 points (Nebraska, Ohio State, Penn State and Wisconsin), while taking Illinois to overtime and falling to three other teams by six points or less.

Minnesota has suffered through a number of injuries this season, three of which were season- or career-ending before the year began.

Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward Angie

Iverson. Iverson leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 14.9 points and 12.1 boards a game. Iverson is third in the nation in rebounding and is 12th in the Big Ten in overall scoring and fourth in conference games. Iverson has recorded 12 double-doubles on the season and set a Minnesota and Big Ten record with 25 rebounds against Colorado State in December.

Junior starting point guard Jaime Ellis is suffering from a stress fracture and is limited to only 16 minutes a contest, but is still averaging 2.4 assists a game. Ellis has given way at the point to newcomer Kiauna Burns and sophomore Mindy Hansen. Burns is averaging 29 minutes a game this season and has averaged 37 minutes a contest in her last seven games. Hansen is second on the team in scoring at 11.9 points a game and had a season-high 24 points against Northwestern after posting 18 versus Ohio State. Add that to Sarah Klun, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season and is averaging 9.1 points and 4.1 rebounds a game, and sophomore Lynda Hass, who is third on the team in scoring at 9.2 points coming off the bench for the Gophers, and Minnesota has a solid nucleus for next season.

Other players in Minnesota's rotation include sophomore Sonja Robinson, at 6.3 points and 4.4 rebounds, and center Andrea Seago, the only true center on the Minnesota roster, at 3.2 points and 2.4 rebounds.

GOPHERS ADD FOUR WALK-ONS--Minnesota added four walk-ons to the roster in Sy Nonginthirath, Margaret Blom, Teresa O'Hearn and Stephanie Strommen for the 1997 season.

Nonginthirath is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. Nonginthirath has played in three games. Against Indiana, Nonginthirath played 5 minutes with two points, a steal and a rebound.

Blom is a 6-1 first-year center and has played in three games. Blom saw her first action against Nebraska, playing 11 minutes and recording one rebound.

O'Hearn, who was the keeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. O'Hearn is a 6-0 forward. She saw her first playing time against Nebraska, recording a rebound in 5 minutes, and has played in four games.

Strommen joined the Gophers at winter quarter after transferring from Arizona State. Strommen, who is from Bloomington, Minn., and Kennedy High School and played with former Gopher Kay Schmidt in high school, is a 5-8 guard and a sophomore in eligibility. She will wear #22. Strommen did not play basketball at Arizona State. She saw her first action of the year Friday night, playing 3 minutes and grabbing one rebound against Penn State. She then collected 2 minutes against Wisconsin.

THE HEAD COACH--Linda Hill-MacDonald is in her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 64-119 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American Carol Ann Shudlick. For her career, Hill-MacDonald has a record of 229-249 in 16 seasons, 10 of those

at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are Tréka McMillian, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player Crystal Flint moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season, and Cara Pearson, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. Pearson was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers have struggled with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries and has suffered continuous injuries throughout the season. Here is the injury timeline of the Gophers this season:

September 13, 1996-- All-Big Ten honorable mention center Cheri Stafford is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

September, 1996--Point guard Swantreca Taylor takes a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. Taylor was the backup to Jaime Ellis last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

October 15, 1996--Forward Sarah Schieber tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. Schieber had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. Schieber was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

November 20, 1996--Forward Lynda Hass is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. Hass missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor for the Gophers and is currently third on the squad in scoring.

December, 1996--Starting point guard Jaime Ellis, who has averaged 34 minutes a game thus far this season, is diagnosed with a stress fracture and is limited to 16 minutes a game.

December 30, 1996--Reserve Andrea Seago suffered a nasal fracture when Angie Iverson caught her with an elbow. She is cleared to play, but will have to wear a protective face guard the next six weeks.

January 3, 1997--Teresa O'Hearn suffers a sprain of the right ankle. She missed the Indiana game, but returned for the Nebraska contest.

January 3, 1997--Reserve Margaret Blom missed the Indiana game due to migraine headaches. She returned Tuesday against Nebraska.

January 7, 1997--Jaime Ellis missed the Nebraska game due to a stress fracture.

THE OPPONENTS-PURDUE--Purdue, led by new head coach Nell Fortner, is 10-8 overall and 6-3 in conference play. The Boilermakers had won four of their last six games before falling

to Indiana, 51-50, Sunday in West Lafayette, Ind. Purdue is the only Big Ten team Minnesota has not played this season.

Fortner is in her first season as the head coach after serving as an assistant coach at Louisiana Tech for five seasons. She also served as an assistant coach to Tara VanDerveer with the 1995-96 USA National Team and the gold medal-winning 1996 USA Women's Basketball team in Atlanta.

Purdue has been awesome at home, losing only Sunday's game against Indiana. On the road, the Boilers have struggled posting a 3-6 record. Purdue is led by forward Jannon Roland and point guard Stephanie White. Roland is averaging 18.5 points and 7.2 rebounds a game. White, a sophomore, is the quarterback of the Purdue offense as she is averaging 16.4 points and 5.9 rebounds. She also averages 4.4 assists a contest. Corissa Yasen, who is the defending NCAA Champion in the heptathlon and a nine-time all-American in track and field, has made a huge impact this season with 10.9 points and 6.6 rebounds.

THE SERIES--Purdue leads the series 19-10 and has dominated lately, winning six of the last seven games between the two teams. Last year, the Boilers defeated the Gophers 74-53 at the Sports Pavilion and 75-37 at Mackey Arena. The last time the Gophers defeated Purdue was in 1995, when Minnesota beat the then #19-ranked Boilermakers, 68-67, on two free throws by current assistant coach Cara Pearson with 0:00 on the clock.

OHIO STATE--Ohio State is 10-9 overall and 2-7 in the Big Ten Conference. The Buckeyes have lost their last three games since defeating the Gophers, 84-61, two weeks ago in Columbus, Ohio. Ohio State plays at Indiana Friday evening before coming to Minneapolis.

Head coach Nancy Darsch in her 12th season at the helm of the Buckeyes, posting a 232-118 record. Last season, Ohio State advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament before losing to eventual national champion Tennessee, 97-65.

OSU is shooting 46 percent from the field and 30 percent from three-point land. The Buckeyes are led by forward Larecha Jones and guard Marcie Alberts. Jones is averaging 13.2 points and 8.3 rebounds a game, while Alberts is at 11.2 points and 3.5 assists. Alberts is also a three-point threat, connecting on 31 percent. Michaela Moua is the only other Buckeye player in double figures at 10.2 points a game.

THE SERIES--Ohio State has completely dominated the Gophers over the years, posting a 29-4 advantage. Ohio State has won eight consecutive games against Minnesota.

GAME ONE REVIEW--Minnesota got 18 points from Mindy Hansen, but it wasn't enough as Ohio State handed Minnesota its 28th consecutive Big Ten loss, 84-61, in Columbus, Ohio.

Minnesota outshot the Buckeyes but was completely dominated on the boards. Ohio State outrebounded the Gophers 44-29, including 23-12 on the offensive glass. Turnovers also haunted the Gophers, as they committed 24 in the game, including seven by Kiauna Burns.

The Gophers were in early trouble as Angie Iverson picked up two fouls in the first six minutes and was relegated to the bench for the rest of the first half. Iverson then picked up two quick fouls in the second half and played only 17 minutes in the game collecting eight points and five rebounds. Iverson aver-

ages almost 32 minutes a game.

Hansen led all Gopher scorers with 18 points, while Sarah Klun had 12 points and six rebounds. Ohio State's Larecha Jones posted a career-high 25 points and nine rebounds.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--

MINNESOTA TRYING TO END BIG TEN LOSING SKID-

Minnesota is trying to end a 31-game Big Ten losing streak. The last time the Gophers won a Big Ten game was against Illinois, 92-46, on February 10, 1995. Last year, Minnesota went 0-17 in the Big Ten, including a loss to Ohio State in the Big Ten Tournament, becoming only the second team to go winless in the conference. Michigan was the other team to not win a conference game during the 1993-94 season.

BIG TEN UPDATE-- Michigan State is in sole possession of first place followed closely by Illinois, Wisconsin and Purdue. Here are the updated standings as of January 27.

	Big Ten	Overall
1. Michigan State	7-1	15-3
2. Illinois	7-2	15-4
Wisconsin	7-2	14-3
4. Purdue	6-3	11-7
5. Iowa	4-4	9-8
Penn State	4-4	11-7
7. Michigan	4-5	12-6
Indiana	4-5	11-8
9. Northwestern	3-6	10-8
10. Ohio State	2-7	10-9
11. Minnesota	0-9	2-17

MINNESOTA PICKED TO FINISH 11TH IN BIG TEN--

Minnesota was picked to finish 11th in the preseason Big Ten standings. Iowa was picked to finish first, followed by Wisconsin, Penn State, Northwestern, Michigan State, Illinois, Purdue, Indiana, Ohio State, Michigan and Minnesota.

GOPHER REWIND--WISCONSIN--The Badgers cleaned up on the glass and converted 30 Minnesota turnovers into 30 points to defeat Minnesota, 84-57, in Madison, Wis. Minnesota shot 46 percent from the field, but were beaten on second, third and even fourth chances given to the Badgers. Wisconsin outrebounded the Gophers, 52-32, including 31-8 on the offensive glass.

Wisconsin also dominated the inside as Ann Klapperich and backup center Amy Wiersma had 17 points apiece. Wiersma also had nine rebounds to go along with her career-high 17 points. Keisha Anderson and Kelley Paulus had 10 points each for UW.

Lynda Hass led all Gopher scorers with 16 points on 5-of-7 shooting. Angie Iverson finished with 12 points, but only five rebounds, while Sarah Klun had 10 points.

PENN STATE--Penn State turned 28 Minnesota turnovers into 28 points in beating the Gophers, 83-62, at the Bryce Jordan Center in University Park, Pa. Minnesota's Sarah Klun tied her career-high with 18 points and played a career-high 38 minutes, while Angie Iverson had her 12th double-double of the season with 14 points and 14 rebounds.

Penn State's Angie Potthoff led all scorers with 20 points, on 10-of-14 shooting from the floor. Helen Darling and Stacey

Brewer each had 14 points for the Lady Lions.

TEAM NOTES--On the season, statistics do not tell the whole story as the Gophers have been ahead in the second half in 10 of 19 games this season and leading at halftime in five of the contests, despite posting a 2-17 record.

Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 39 percent. Minnesota has shot above 45 percent only three times the entire season and above 40 percent five times in 1996-97. The Gophers are also struggling from the free-throw line, shooting 69 percent. With no players taller than 6-0 in the starting lineup, Minnesota is struggling on the boards, especially the offensive glass, where they have been outrebounded 320-236. Minnesota has been outscored 75-64 by its opponents, and turnovers are plaguing this squad at a rate of 24 a game.

IVERSON THIRD IN THE NATION IN REBOUNDING--

Center Angie Iverson is third in the nation in rebounding as of January 20. Iverson, who is averaging 12.1 boards a game, is third only to Nikisha Moffett of Bethune-Cookman and Etolia Mitchell of Georgia State. Moffett has played in only seven games and is averaging 14.6 a game, while Mitchell is averaging 13.9 rebounds a contest.

IVERSON BREAKS BIG TEN AND MINNESOTA REBOUNDING RECORD--

Angie Iverson's career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record and Big Ten record of 23 set in 1984 by Molly Tadich against Northwestern and Wisconsin's Theresa Huff against Indiana in 1983.

IVERSON ON PACE TO ENTER SEASON TOP TEN IN REBOUNDING--

With her 230 rebounds, Angie Iverson is on pace to enter the Minnesota season record list for rebounds in a season. Iverson is on pace to pull down 341 rebounds, which would be the fourth-highest season mark ever recorded in Minnesota and Big Ten history. Linda Roberts holds the Minnesota season record with 387 boards, set in 1977-78 when the Gophers played 34 games and advanced to the AIAW Tournament, while Wisconsin's Theresa Huff holds the Big Ten record at 394 set in 1981-82.

IVERSON'S REBOUNDING AVERAGE RANKS SECOND IN MINNESOTA HISTORY--

If the season ended today, Angie Iverson's 12.1 caroms a game would be the third-highest season rebounding average in Minnesota history. Denise Erstad pulled down 15.8 rebounds a contest in 1974-75.

IVERSON COULD ENTER CAREER TOP TEN IN REBOUNDING--

If Angie Iverson remains on her current pace, she would finish the season with 640 career rebounds, ranking her 10th all-time with one season remaining. Iverson has 515 rebounds in 67 career games. Linda Roberts is the all-time career rebounding leader with 1,413 in 129 games.

IVERSON NAMED MINNESOTA WOMEN'S ATHLETICS ATHLETE OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER--

Angie Iverson was named Minnesota Women's Athletics

Athlete of the Month for December. Iverson averaged 14.5 points and 12.75 rebounds during the month. She recorded four double-doubles in the month and set the Minnesota and Big Ten record for rebounds in a game with 25 against Colorado State on Dec. 3. Iverson also had a career-high 24 points against Wisconsin-Green Bay. She was also named to the all-tournament team at the Dial Soap Basketball Classic and the Lady Rebel Classic in Las Vegas, Nev.

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--Angie Iverson has posted 12 double-doubles in 18 games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 15.1 points and 12.5 rebounds a game. Her rebound average is third in the nation and leads the Big Ten Conference. Iverson now has 18 double-doubles in her career. Iverson's best totals were at Colorado State, where she ripped down a Minnesota and Big Ten record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and scored 16 points. Iverson also has double-doubles against Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14), Marquette (11-12), Fairfield (13-15), Michigan (17-17), Indiana (21-11), Illinois (22-14), Michigan State (24-12), Northwestern (19-14) and Penn State (14-14). She has also missed two other double-doubles by one point or rebound in 1996-97.

Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON RANKS 12TH IN BIG TEN IN SCORING--Angie Iverson currently ranks 12th in the Big Ten in scoring in all games and fifth in conference games at 16.3 points. Wisconsin's Keisha Anderson is leading the Big Ten at 21 points a game, followed by Michele Ratay of Northwestern at 20.8. Northwestern's Kristina Divjak and Penn State's Angie Potthoff are tied for third at 19, while Wisconsin's Ann Klapperich is averaging 17.8.

IVERSON TIES CAREER-HIGH IN SCORING--Angie Iverson tied her career-high of 24 points on 7-of-16 shooting and 9-of-12 from the free-throw line against Michigan State. Iverson also had 24 points against Wisconsin-Green Bay earlier this season. Iverson's previous career-best was 19 set against Marquette in 1994.

ALTHOUGH SHORT, IVERSON BIG IN THE MIDDLE--On the season, Angie Iverson is averaging an impressive 12.1 rebounds on the boards. Iverson has led the Gophers in rebounding in 16 of 19 games this season and has not had double-figure rebounds in only two games this year (James Madison, Ohio State). The 6-foot Iverson has been, on the average, three inches shorter than the opponent guarding her this season.

HANSEN RECORDS CAREER-HIGH--Mindy Hansen, who was relegated to the bench against both Ohio State and Northwestern two weeks ago in a coach's decision, responded with her best games of the season. Hansen had a then-season-high 18 points Friday against Ohio State, then followed that with a career-high 24 points against Northwestern. Hansen also has

found her shooting touch, going 18 for 31 (.580) against Ohio State and Northwestern.

HANSEN GOING CRAZY--Sophomore Mindy Hansen is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11.9 a game. Hansen has been in double figures in 13 of 19 games this season for the Gophers and has led the team six times in scoring. Last year, Hansen averaged almost six points a game and had a career-high of 19 points versus Northern Iowa.

KLUN PLAYING SOLID--Sophomore Sarah Klun, who missed last season with a torn ACL, made an impressive return to the floor as she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes against Western Illinois in the first game of the year.

She is fourth on the team in scoring at 9.1 points a game and was in double figures during both games of the Lady Rebel Classic. Klun has scored in double figures in nine games this season. Against Indiana, Klun had 16 points and a career-high nine rebounds in 26 minutes of action. And against Penn State, she tied her career-high with 18 points in 38 minutes, the longest stint of her career. Klun played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

KLUN AUTOMATIC FROM THE FREE-THROW LINE--Sarah Klun loves to go to the free-throw line, having missed only four free throws during her career at Minnesota. Klun is 43-47 (.914) from the line.

HASS SPARK OFF THE BENCH--Sophomore Lynda Hass, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, has been a spark plug for Minnesota off the bench. Hass is third on the team in scoring with 9.2 points a game. She had a career-high 19 points against Illinois and followed that with 14 versus Michigan State. Hass, who played in only 13 games as a first-year athlete because of a stress fracture, averaged only 1.4 points and two rebounds a game last year.

BURNS PERMANENTLY IN THE STARTING LINEUP--Newcomer Kiauna Burns made her first career start as a Gopher against Nebraska and has become a fixture in the lineup by starting the next six games. Since joining the starting lineup, Burns has averaged 6.8 points and 37 minutes, including 42 minutes against Illinois. She has had three games in double-figure scoring during that time.

BURNS RANKS IN TOP TEN FOR STEALS--Kiauna Burns ranks fourth in the Big Ten for steals with 2.47 a game. Wisconsin's Keisha Anderson leads the Big Ten with 3.07 a game.

UP NEXT--Minnesota travels to Michigan State Friday, Feb. 7, and Illinois Sunday, Feb. 9 for games against two of the top three teams in the conference.

University of Minnesota 1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 9-0 Big Ten: 3-0 Invitationals: 2-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State	W	#9	178-117
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Wisconsin			
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue			
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois			
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa			
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge			
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)		200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)		400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)
Jenny Hennen 23.67 •		Marta Knowles 2:05.11		3:28.50 – Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Krissy Berglund, Jenny Hennen
Amy Cottrill 23.95		Beth Shimanski 2:09.21		
Terri Jashinsky 24.34		Kimberly Wilson 2:08.46		800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)
Devon Coellner 24.34		Amy Cottrill 2:10.13		7:29.86* – Jenny Hennen, Terri Jashinsky, Alicia Hicken, Olga Splichalova
Heather Miller 24.53		Alicia Hicken 2:13.59		
100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)		100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)		200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)
Jenny Hennen 51.41 •		Gretchen Hegener 1:02.21 #		1:43.18* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
Amy Cottrill 52.00		Devon Coellner 1:05.66		
Terri Jashinsky 52.49		Kate McMillan 1:06.01		400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)
Devon Coellner 53.05		Michelle Fischer 1:07.58		3:46.10* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
Olga Splichalova 53.11		Katie Olson 1:08.80		
200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)		200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:15.49)		1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)
Jenny Hennen 1:50.11 •		Gretchen Hegener 2:15.49 *		Carrie Hansen 272.40 %
Olga Splichalova 1:50.19 •		Kate McMillan 2:22.33		Andrea Berg 268.90 %
Terri Jashinsky 1:52.98		Devon Coellner 2:23.22		Jenny Cook 253.73 %
Alicia Hicken 1:53.56		Michelle Fischer 2:25.48		Shelby Evadine Miller 233.25
Amy Cottrill 1:54.66		Jessica Grass 2:25.94		Andrea Wheeler 173.95
500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)		100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)		1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)
Olga Splichalova 4:50.45 •		Tanya Schuh 54.86 #		Andrea Berg 428.75 %
Kimberly Wilson 4:56.98		Terry Jashinsky 56.31 •		Carrie Hansen 393.20 %
Jenny Hennen 4:58.75		Jenny Hennen 57.92		Jenny Cook 351.35
Alicia Hicken 4:59.68		Carrie Raeth 58.58		Shelby Evadine Miller 305.00
Jessica Grass 5:01.59		Jessica Grass 58.94		Andrea Wheeler 213.10
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.685)		200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)		3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)
Olga Splichalova 9:50.10		Jessica Grass 2:02.73 •		Carrie Hansen 291.40 %
Kimberly Wilson 10:06.79		Terri Jashinsky 2:03.05 •		Andrea Berg 283.65 %
Alicia Hicken 10:14.87		Jenny Hennen 2:04.25		Jenny Cook 272.63 %
Jessica Grass 10:19.90		Tanya Schuh 2:05.33		Shelby Evadine Miller 254.55
Jenny Hennen 10:21.44		Kimberly Wilson 2:07.64		Andrea Wheeler 188.70
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)		200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)		3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)
Olga Splichalova 16:27.68 •		Jenny Hennen 2:06.46		Andrea Berg 487.10 %
Kimberly Wilson 16:46.66 •		Jessica Grass 2:07.38		Carrie Hansen 441.60 %
Alicia Hicken 17:06.47		Devon Coellner 2:08.44		Jenny Cook 430.90 %
Marta Knowles 17:47.14		Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72		Shelby Evadine Miller 352.10
Elizabeth Weld 18:08.52		Kate McMillan 2:11.16		Andrea Wheeler 280.10
100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)		400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)		Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)
Shona Baillie 58.07		Olga Splichalova 4:21.91		Carrie Hansen 325.35 %
Beth Shimanski 58.21		Jessica Grass 4:22.52		Jenny Cook 287.10
Marta Knowles 1:00.38		Marta Knowles 4:30.41		Andrea Wheeler 264.25
Amy Cottrill 1:01.63		Kimberly Wilson 4:31.39		
Carrie Raeth 1:01.30				Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)
		200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)		
		1:35.14 – Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen		

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time

•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

55 Meters

1. Chanteaú White (b) (finals) *	:06.97
2. Chanteaú White (b) (trials)	:07.06
3. Chanteaú White (a) (finals)	:07.21
Chanteaú White (a) (trials)	:07.21

200 meters

1. Yvette White (b)	:25.76
2. Shellie Braggs (b)	:25.93
3. Shellie Braggs (a)	:26.34

400 meters

1. Alisa Gartner (b)	1:00.86
2. Kay Fuller (a)	1:01.73
3. Alissa Bruss (a)	1:05.95

600 meters

1. Alissa Bruss (b)	1:43.21
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800 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (b)	2:19.88
2. Kristie Stiles (a)	2:26.91
3. Carrie Daniel (a)	2:27.37

Mile

1. Andrea Lentz	5:03.52
2. Andrea Lentz (a)	5:09.06
2. Karen Kleindl (a)	5:09.84

3000 meters

1. Daphne Panhuysen (a) **	9:46.80
2. Daphne Panhuysen (b)	9:48.28
3. Kari Thompson (a)	10:11.91

5000 meters

1. Kari Thompson (b)	17:28.27
2. Amy Hoel (b)	18:47.80
3. Janet Howe (b)	18:53.33

55 meter hurdles

1. Chanteaú White (b)	:08.20
2. Chanteaú White (b)	:08.49
3. Chanteaú White (a)	:08.20

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Smith, Braggs, Fuller, Y. White (a)	4:06.41
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Distance Medley Relay

1. Minnesota	12:31.35
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High Jump

Long Jump

1. Chanteaú White (b)	18-8
2. Natalie Smith (b)	18-2 1/4
3. Natalie Smith (a)	17-9

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (a) **	40-11
2. Natalie Smith (b)	38-7 1/2

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (a)	46-11 1/2
2. Dani Parkos (b)	46-4
3. Tina McDonald (a)	46-0 1/2

Pentathlon

* Minnesota record

** Frosh record

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(b) Minnesota Invitational (Minneapolis, MN)

HOME MEETS at the University Fieldhouse

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 4-1 Dual: 1-1 Invites: 3-0 Home: 4-0 Away: 0-1 Big Ten: 0-1 Top 25: 1-1

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #17 Utah St.										
2/8--at Iowa State										
2/15--#4 Utah										
2/22--at #17 UMass										
3/1--#24 Ohio State										
Illinois										
3/9--at Missouri										
3/14--Iowa State										
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										

Raw Average: 192.242

Regional Qual. Score*:

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.775	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.825	at Michigan (1/18/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Lacey Purkat	9.775	vs. Arizona (1/25/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Mindy Knaeble	9.925*	at Michigan (1/18/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	38.85	at Michigan (1/18/97)
TEAM VAULT		48.225	at Michigan (1/18/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		47.825	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		47.975	vs. Arizona (1/25/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.200	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		192.825	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)

*-school record

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 19 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	19/ 19	89/ 205	.434	1/ 5	.200	104/ 142	.732	283	14.9	97	133	230	12.1	59/ 1	26	61	10	21	600		
Mindy Hansen	19/ 15	91/ 250	.364	10/ 48	.208	34/ 56	.607	226	11.9	23	62	85	4.5	38/ 1	56	99	8	31	627		
Lynda Hass	17/ 1	57/ 128	.445	13/ 43	.302	30/ 42	.714	157	9.2	29	33	62	3.7	30/ 1	15	36	2	12	372		
Sarah Klun	19/ 19	66/ 162	.407	2/ 10	.200	39/ 43	.907	173	9.1	31	47	78	4.1	52/ 2	29	54	1	19	489		
Sonja Robinson	19/ 16	45/ 129	.349	0/ 3	.000	30/ 44	.682	120	6.3	31	53	84	4.4	43/ 1	28	47	9	14	511		
Kiauna Burns	19/ 7	44/ 123	.358	6/ 31	.194	22/ 50	.440	116	6.1	12	36	48	2.5	42/ 2	51	92	2	44	562		
Jaime Ellis	18/ 18	25/ 75	.333	10/ 44	.227	10/ 13	.769	70	3.9	3	13	16	.9	26/ 0	41	45	2	11	363		
Andrea Seago	19/ 0	26/ 56	.464	0/ 0	.000	8/ 11	.727	60	3.2	9	36	45	2.4	31/ 0	6	15	8	1	252		
Si Nonginthirat	3/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	1.3	0	1	1	.3	2/ 0	0	6	0	1	12		
Margaret Blom	3/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	1	1	.3	1/ 0	0	2	0	1	21		
Teresa O'Hearn	4/ 0	0/ 1	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	.3	0/ 0	0	2	0	0	10		
StephanieStromm	2/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	2	2	1.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	6		
Team Rebounds																				128	
Golden Gophers	19/ 19	445/1132	.393	42/ 184	.228	277/ 401	.691	1209	63.6	236	417	781	41.1	324/ 8	252	459	42	157	--		
Team Rebounds																				87	
Opponent Totals	19/ 19	553/1335	.414	79/ 278	.284	240/ 360	.667	1425	75.0	320	432	839	44.2	356/ 7	312	370	83	265	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	4.7	10.8	.1	.3	5.5	7.5	14.9	12.1	1.4	3.2	.5	1.1	31.6
Mindy Hansen	4.8	13.2	.5	2.5	1.8	3.0	11.9	4.5	3.0	5.2	.4	1.6	33.0
Lynda Hass	3.4	7.5	.8	2.5	1.8	2.5	9.2	3.7	.9	2.1	.1	.7	21.9
Sarah Klun	3.5	8.5	.1	.5	2.1	2.3	9.1	4.1	1.5	2.8	.1	1.0	25.7
Sonja Robinson	2.4	6.8	.0	.2	1.6	2.3	6.3	4.4	1.5	2.5	.5	.7	26.9
Kiauna Burns	2.3	6.5	.3	1.6	1.2	2.6	6.1	2.5	2.7	4.8	.1	2.3	29.6
Jaime Ellis	1.4	4.2	.6	2.4	.6	.7	3.9	.9	2.3	2.5	.1	.6	20.2
Andrea Seago	1.4	3.0	.0	.0	.4	.6	3.2	2.4	.3	.8	.4	.1	13.3
Si Nonginthirath	.7	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.3	.3	.0	2.0	.0	.3	4.0
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.3	.0	.7	.0	.3	7.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.3	.0	.5	.0	.0	2.5
StephanieStrommen	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	3.0
Golden Gophers	23.4	59.6	2.2	9.7	14.6	21.1	63.6	41.1	13.3	24.2	2.2	8.3	----
Opponent Totals	29.1	70.3	4.2	14.6	12.6	19.0	75.0	44.2	16.4	19.5	4.4	14.0	----

BIG TEN STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 9 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN		
		FG/	FGA	FG%	FG/	FGA	FG%					REB	REB	REB									
Angie Iverson	9/ 9	47/	109	.431	1/	4	.250	52/	68	.765	147	16.3	42	59	101	11.2	29/	1	14	27	7	15	292
Mindy Hansen	9/ 5	42/	110	.382	3/	19	.158	16/	22	.727	103	11.4	11	25	36	4.0	23/	0	25	43	4	15	291
Lynda Hass	9/ 1	35/	79	.443	9/	32	.281	15/	18	.833	94	10.4	11	20	31	3.4	18/	0	9	22	0	6	220
Sarah Klun	9/ 9	33/	74	.446	2/	7	.286	16/	19	.842	84	9.3	17	28	45	5.0	22/	0	13	28	0	5	233
Kiauna Burns	9/ 6	21/	61	.344	2/	13	.154	11/	21	.524	55	6.1	5	19	24	2.7	21/	0	26	50	0	21	298
Sonja Robinson	9/ 6	19/	50	.380	0/	1	.000	11/	15	.733	49	5.5	10	17	27	3.0	21/	0	11	18	4	5	227
Andrea Seago	9/ 0	13/	31	.419	0/	0	.000	3/	4	.750	29	3.2	3	18	21	2.3	18/	0	3	4	1	1	120
Jaime Ellis	9/ 9	9/	25	.360	2/	8	.250	1/	2	.500	21	2.3	2	4	6	.7	7/	0	9	18	0	3	112
Si Nonginthirath	2/ 0	2/	3	.667	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	4	2.0	0	1	1	.5	2/	0	0	6	0	1	11
Margaret Blom	2/ 0	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	1/	0	0	2	0	1	10
Teresa O'Hearn	3/ 0	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0/	0	0	0	0	0	5
StephanieStromm	2/ 0	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0	.0	0	2	2	1.0	0/	0	0	0	0	2	6
Team Rebounds																							59

Golden Gophers 9/ 9 221/ 542 .408 19/ 84 .226 125/ 169 .740 586 65.1 101 193 353 39.2 162/ 1 110 218 16 75 --

Team Rebounds 46

Opponent Totals 9/ 9 280/ 656 .427 33/ 134 .246 124/ 178 .697 717 79.7 154 203 403 44.8 155/ 2 157 162 42 130 --

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	5.2	12.1	.1	.5	5.8	7.6	16.3	11.2	1.6	3.0	.8	1.7	32.4
Mindy Hansen	4.7	12.2	.3	2.1	1.8	2.4	11.4	4.0	2.8	4.8	.5	1.7	32.3
Lynda Hass	3.9	8.8	1.0	3.6	1.7	2.0	10.4	3.4	1.0	2.4	.0	.7	24.4
Sarah Klun	3.7	8.2	.2	.8	1.8	2.1	9.3	5.0	1.4	3.1	.0	.6	25.9
Kiauna Burns	2.3	6.8	.2	1.4	1.2	2.3	6.1	2.7	2.9	5.6	.0	2.3	33.1
Sonja Robinson	2.1	5.6	.0	.1	1.2	1.7	5.5	3.0	1.2	2.0	.5	.6	25.2
Andrea Seago	1.4	3.4	.0	.0	.3	.5	3.2	2.3	.3	.5	.1	.1	13.3
Jaime Ellis	1.0	2.8	.2	.9	.1	.2	2.3	.7	1.0	2.0	.0	.3	12.4
Si Nonginthirath	1.0	1.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	2.0	.5	.0	3.0	.0	.5	5.5
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.5	5.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.7
StephanieStrommen	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	3.0
Golden Gophers	24.6	60.2	2.1	9.3	13.9	18.8	65.1	39.2	12.2	24.2	1.8	8.3	----
Opponent Totals	31.1	72.9	3.7	14.9	13.8	19.8	79.7	44.8	17.4	18.0	4.7	14.4	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	567	631	11	0	1209	50
Opponent Totals	668	742	15	0	1425	43

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	2-17	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	32308	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	1700
Big Ten	0- 9	HOME	11048	HOME AVERAGE	1228
Dial Soap Classic	1- 1	AWAY	21260	AWAY AVERAGE	2126
UNLV Classic	1- 1				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	Wyoming	68- 66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	James Madison	56- 64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60- 78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62- 75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63- 66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	@Stephen F. Austin	63- 80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	12/20	@Fairfield	74- 68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48- 61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63- 82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61- 67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47- 68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	01/10	*Illinois	85- 89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	01/12	*Michigan State	65- 76	L H	1288 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7
16	01/17	*Ohio State	61- 84	L A	3835 Hansen, 18	Klun, 6	Jones, 25	Jones, 9
17	01/19	*Northwestern	84- 91	L H	2122 Hansen, 24	Iverson, 14	Chawansky, 27	Ratay, 8
18	01/24	*Penn State	62- 83	L A	5646 Klun, 18	Iverson, 14	Potthoff, 20	Garner, 9
19	01/26	*#13 Wisconsin	57- 84	L A	7260 Hass, 16	Klun, 7	Klapp, Wiersma, 17	Wiersma, 9

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Catch what you've been Missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, February 7

TN hosts Drake 6:30 p.m.
BKB at Michigan State 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 8

SW hosts Iowa 2 p.m.
T/F at Iowa State Invitational 9 a.m.
GY at Iowa State 7 p.m.

Sunday, February 9

TN hosts DePaul 9 a.m.
BKB at Illinois 2 p.m.

All Times CST

What's Coming Up

- Thursday is National Girls and Women in Sports Day
- Women's Athletics sponsors an "Activity Night" for youth Friday evening at the Sports Pavilion
- Swimming and Diving hosts Iowa in last dual meet of year
- Tennis hosts Drake and DePaul
- Basketball travels to nationally-ranked Michigan State and Illinois
- Gymnastics tumbles to Iowa State Saturday for meet
- Volleyball and Soccer signing day Wednesday

Last Week's Highlights

- The streak is over as Basketball defeats Ohio State
- Iverson scores career-high 29 points
- #9 Swimming and Diving remains undefeated
- Hegener named Minnesota Athlete of the Month
- #39 Tennis crushes Iowa State in season opener
- #16 Gymnastics scores season-high 193.650 at Utah State
- Soccer's McElmury named second-team all-American

Announcements

MONTAGNE AND HEBERT TO BE AVAILABLE WEDNESDAY TO TALK ABOUT SIGNEES--Head soccer coach Sue Montagne and head volleyball coach Mike Hebert will be available Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. at the Sports Pavilion to talk about their new soccer and volleyball signees.

THURSDAY IS NATIONAL GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS DAY--Thursday is National Girls and Women in Sports Day. A rally will take place at the State Capitol Rotunda beginning at noon with many University of Minnesota student-athletes and administrators taking part in the celebration.

ACTIVITY NIGHT SET FOR FRIDAY--The University of Minnesota Women's Athletics Department and Minneapolis Parks and Recs are sponsoring an Activity Night Friday evening at the Sports Pavilion and the University Fieldhouse. The event is scheduled to run from 6-8:30 p.m. and will feature student-athletes and coaches from the Minnesota volleyball, soccer and softball teams. Participants in the Activity Night, arranged through the Parks and Recs, will participate in three stations featuring softball, volleyball and soccer.

WOMEN'S ATHLETICS TO SPONSOR BOOK FAIR--The University of Minnesota Women's Athletics Department and Barnes & Noble Bookstores are sponsoring a Book Fair on Saturday, March 8, at the Barnes & Noble store located on 3216 W. Lake Street (near Lake Calhoun). The Fair will take place from 1-3 p.m. and a portion of the proceeds from the event will benefit the Berg Scholarship Fund.

TICKETS FOR THE 1997 BIG TEN GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS ON SALE--Tickets for the 1997 Big Ten Gymnastics Championships are now on sale at the Gopher Ticket Office. Please call 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER to order your tickets.

STEPHENSON TO BE HONORED AT HALFTIME OF IOWA STATE MEN'S BASKETBALL GAME--Minnesota gymnastics head coach Jim Stephenson will present a statue of former Iowa State men's gymnastics coach Ed Gagnier to Gagnier at halftime of the Iowa State/Kansas men's basketball game Sunday in Ames, Iowa. Iowa State University commissioned Stephenson to create the sculpture of Gagnier, whose Cyclone teams won three national championships. Gagnier was Stephenson's coach at Iowa State.

Basketball

MINNESOTA TAKES WIN INTO MEETINGS WITH CONFERENCE BEST--Minnesota, 3-18 overall and 1-10 in the Big Ten conference, tries to ride the momentum of its first conference win in almost two years into East Lansing, Mich., Friday, and Champaign, Ill., Sunday, to play Michigan State and Illinois, respectively. Illinois holds the conference lead by a half game over the Spartans, sporting an impressive 9-2 Big Ten record and 18-4 overall record. Michigan State fell to second place after losing to Iowa, 82-62, Sunday afternoon.

THE STREAK IS OVER--Minnesota stopped its conference-record 32-game Big Ten losing streak with a 66-64 win over Ohio State on Sunday at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota, which had won its last conference game on February 10, 1995, used 22 points from Angie Iverson and a solid defensive effort to defeat the Buckeyes.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota has been shuffling its starting lineup lately as MINDY HANSEN (CHASKA, MN/CHASKA), who started the first 15 games of the season, has come off the bench in the last six games. SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL) has started in place of Hansen at the small forward position. The starting lineup now features two juniors in ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA) and JAIME ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO), two sophomores (Robinson and SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)) and a first-year athlete (KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)). The probable starting lineup:

#23	G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
#21	F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
#15	G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
#53	C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
#45	F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette

The Reserves

#12	G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
#22	G	Stephanie Strommen	5-8	So.	Bloomington, Minn./Kennedy/Arizona St.
#24	C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
#25	G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
#32	F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
#35	C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
#33	F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season, but has battled its opponents close in every game. Minnesota has been ahead in the second half in 11 of 21 games this season and has only lost four games by more than 20 points (Nebraska, Ohio State, Penn State and Wisconsin), while taking Illinois to overtime and falling to three other teams by six points or less.

Minnesota has suffered through a number of injuries this season, three of which were season- or career-ending before the year began.

Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward Angie Iverson. Iverson leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at

15.9 points and 12.0 boards a game. Iverson is second in the nation in rebounding and is 10th in the Big Ten in overall scoring and ninth in conference games. Iverson has recorded 13 double-doubles on the season and set a Minnesota and Big Ten record with 25 rebounds against Colorado State in December.

Junior starting point guard **Jaime Ellis** is suffering from a stress fracture and is limited to only 16 minutes a contest. **Ellis** has given way at the point to newcomer **Kiauna Burns** and sophomore **Mindy Hansen**. **Burns** is averaging 30 minutes a game this season and has averaged 38 minutes a contest in her last nine games. **Hansen** is second on the team in scoring at 11.8 points a game and had a season-high 24 points against Northwestern after posting 18 versus Ohio State. Add that to **Sarah Klun**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season and is averaging 8.4 points and 4.0 rebounds a game, and sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who is third on the team in scoring at 9.1 points coming off the bench for the Gophers, and Minnesota has a solid nucleus for next season.

Other players in Minnesota's rotation include sophomore **Sonja Robinson**, at 6.1 points and 4.3 rebounds, and center **Andrea Seago**, the only true center on the Minnesota roster, at 3.1 points and 2.2 rebounds.

GOPHERS ADD FOUR WALK-ONS--Minnesota added four walk-ons to the roster in **Sy Nonginthirath**, **Margaret Blom**, **Teresa O'Hearn** and **Stephanie Strommen** for the 1997 season.

Nonginthirath is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. **Nonginthirath** has played in three games. Against Indiana, **Nonginthirath** played 5 minutes with two points, a steal and a rebound.

Blom is a 6-1 first-year center and has played in three games. **Blom** saw her first action against Nebraska, playing 11 minutes and recording one rebound.

O'Hearn, who was the goalkeeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. **O'Hearn** is a 6-0 forward. She saw her first playing time against Nebraska, recording a rebound in 5 minutes and has played in four games.

Strommen joined the Gophers at winter quarter after transferring from Arizona State. **Strommen**, who is from Bloomington, Minn., and Kennedy High School and played with former Gopher **Kay Schmidt** in high school, is a 5-8 guard and a sophomore in eligibility. She will wear #22. **Strommen** did not play basketball at Arizona State. She saw her first action of the year Friday night, playing 3 minutes and grabbing one rebound against Penn State. She then collected 2 minutes against Wisconsin.

THE HEAD COACH--**Linda Hill-MacDonald** enters her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 65-120 record at Minnesota. **Hill-MacDonald** led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA Tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, **Hill-MacDonald** has a record of 230-250 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: **Hill-MacDonald's** assistant coaches are **Tréka McMillian**, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint** moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season, and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. **Pearson** was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT--The Gophers have struggled with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries and has suffered continuous injuries throughout the season. Here is the injury timeline of the Gophers this season:

September 13, 1996--All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For **Stafford** it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. **Stafford** was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

September, 1996--Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** takes a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. **Taylor** was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

October 15, 1996--Forward **Sarah Schieber** tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. **Schieber** had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. **Schieber** was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

November 20, 1996--Forward **Lynda Hass** is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. **Hass** missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor for the Gophers and is currently fourth on the squad in scoring.

December, 1996--Starting point guard **Jaime Ellis**, who has averaged 34 minutes a game thus far this season, is diagnosed with a stress fracture and is limited to 16 minutes a game.

December 30, 1996--Reserve **Andrea Seago** suffered a nasal fracture when **Angie Iverson** caught her with an elbow. She is cleared to play but will have to wear a protective face guard for one more week.

January 3, 1997--**Teresa O'Hearn** suffers a sprain of the right ankle. She missed the Indiana game, but returned for the Nebraska contest.

January 3, 1997--Reserve **Margaret Blom** missed the Indiana game due to migraine headaches. She returned Tuesday against Nebraska.

January 7, 1997--**Jaime Ellis** missed the Nebraska game due to a stress fracture.

THE OPPONENTS--MICHIGAN STATE--The Spartans are 18-4 overall and 8-2 in the Big Ten after falling to Iowa, 82-62, on Sunday. MSU has been the surprise of the conference this season and is ranked #23 in the nation.

Head coach **Karen Langeland** is a top candidate for Big Ten Coach of the Year with her tremendous performance this

season. Langeland led her team to the NCAA Tournament last season, where MSU fell in the second round to Connecticut, 88-68. For her career, the dean of Big Ten coaches has a 325-244 record in 21 seasons at MSU.

Michigan State features a balanced attack, inside and outside. Michigan State is shooting 48 percent from the field and 33 percent from behind the three-point arc. MSU is also forcing a number of turnovers, 24 a game to be exact. Forwards **Paula Sanders** and **Nicole Cushing-Adkins** lead the Michigan State attack with 13.3 points apiece. The duo is also pulling down 16 rebounds between them. Guard **Jamie Wesley** is right behind them at 11.2 points a game.

GAME ONE RECAP--Michigan State jumped out to a 22-13 lead behind 10 points from **Nicole Cushing-Adkins** and pushed the lead to 14 by halftime to defeat Minnesota, 76-65, at the Sports Pavilion.

Michigan State went on a 12-4 run to open the second half and extended its lead to 24 points before Minnesota improved its play over the final nine minutes, closing the gap to 76-65. Michigan State shot 51 percent for the game while Minnesota shot only 39 percent.

Leading the way for the Gophers was **Angie Iverson**, who had 24 points and 12 rebounds. **Iverson's** 24 points tied a then career-high. **Lynda Hass** had 14 off the bench, while **Sarah Klun** had 11 for Minnesota. **Adkins** had 16 points in 18 minutes for Michigan State, followed by **Jamie Wesley** with 13 and **Maxann Reese** with 10.

ILLINOIS--Illinois is another team surprising everyone in the Big Ten. UI is in first-place after defeating Penn State, 94-79, Sunday afternoon in Champaign, Ill. On the season, Illinois is 18-4 and 9-2 in the conference. They are also ranked #25 in the latest USA Today/WBCA Coaches Poll.

Head coach **Theresa Grentz** is challenging MSU's **Karen Langeland** for Big Ten Coach of the Year honors. After posting a 13-15 record in her first year at Illinois last season, **Grentz** has pushed Illinois to the top of the conference standings. She has a career record of 492-174 in 23 seasons. She was the head coach of the 1992 USA Olympic Team, which won a bronze medal in Barcelona, Spain.

The Orange and Blue is shooting 46 percent from the field and dominate the glass, outrebounding its opponents 43-37. UI is led by preseason all-Big Ten player **Ashley Berggren** and transfer **Alicia Sheeler**. **Berggren** is averaging 18.1 points and six rebounds a game, while **Sheeler** is at 13.2 points and eight rebounds a contest.

GAME ONE RECAP--Minnesota played its best game of the season and pushed Illinois to overtime before losing 89-85 at the Sports Pavilion.

Illinois led by eight with 6:36 to go before Minnesota went on a 10-2 run to tie the game at 68-68 with 2:50 remaining. Minnesota then took the lead at 73-72 with 1:14 remaining on a **Lynda Hass** three-pointer. Illinois answered when **Alicia Sheeler** converted a 17-foot jumper to put Illinois back ahead by one with 32.9 seconds to go. After Illinois' **Nicole Vasey** missed the front-end of a one-and-one, **Angie Iverson** was fouled with 9.4 seconds. **Iverson** missed the first and made the second, tying the game at 74-74. Illinois had a final push down the court to win

the game in regulation, but **Ashley Berggren** double-dribbled, sending the game into the extra period.

In overtime, Illinois connected on a three point play by **Tauja Catchings**. Minnesota went ahead 78-77 when **Hass** made a 16-footer, but Illinois got some key turnovers and converted its free throws down the stretch to take the game.

Iverson had 22 points and 14 rebounds for the Gophers, while **Hass** scored a career-high 19 points off the bench. **Kiauna Burns**, **Sonja Robinson** and **Mindy Hansen** each finished with 10 for the Gophers. **Hansen** just missed her second consecutive double-double with nine rebounds.

Berggren scored 22 for the Orange and Blue, while **Vasey** chipped in 16 and **Sheeler** 13.

BIG TEN UPDATE-- Illinois is in sole possession of first place, followed closely by Michigan State and Purdue. Here are the updated standings as of Feb. 3.

	Big Ten	Overall
1. Illinois	9-2	17-4
2. Michigan State	8-2	16-4
3. Purdue	7-3	11-8
4. Wisconsin	7-4	14-5
5. Iowa	5-5	10-9
6. Indiana	5-6	12-9
Northwestern	5-6	12-8
8. Penn State	4-6	11-9
Michigan	4-6	12-7
10. Ohio State	3-8	11-10
11. Minnesota	1-10	3-18

GOPHER REWIND--OHIO STATE--Minnesota used excellent defense and another stellar performance from **Angie Iverson** to defeat Ohio State, 66-64, at the Sports Pavilion. The win ended Minnesota's 32-game conference losing streak.

Minnesota capitalized on 31 Ohio State turnovers in the game, including 17 in the second half, to erase a 12-point Ohio State lead in getting the win. Minnesota went on a 14-6 run over a 5-minute span in the second half and tied it 60-60 on two **Iverson** free throws. **Mindy Hansen** then connected on a 14-foot jumper to the Gophers up by two, 64-62. Ohio State cut the lead to one and fouled **Kiauna Burns** with 15 seconds to go. **Burns** hit both free throws to put Minnesota up 66-63. Ohio State took the ball down the court and attempted two shots before **Maritta Porter** was fouled with 4 seconds left. **Porter** made the first and missed the second intentionally, but **Hansen** got the rebound and ran out the clock for the win.

Iverson led all scorers with 22 points and nine rebounds. **Burns** had a career-high 13 points.

PURDUE--Minnesota shot a season-high 52 percent for the game and got a career-high 29 points from **Angie Iverson**, but it was not enough as Purdue beat Minnesota, 82-64, at the Sports Pavilion.

Minnesota led at halftime, 33-32, after shooting 67 percent in the first half, but by game's end, Purdue caused 21 turnovers and had 17 second chance points off of 15 offensive rebounds to beat Minnesota.

Jannon Roland had 27 points for the Boilers, while **Corissa**

Yasen chipped in 20 points and Stephanie White had 11.

For Minnesota, Iverson had her 13th double-double of the season with 29 points and 12 rebounds. The rest of the Minnesota starting lineup had only 11 points combined. Lynda Hass and Mindy Hansen came off the bench with 10 points each for the Gophers.

TEAM NOTES---Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 40 percent. Minnesota has shot above 45 percent only four times the entire season and above 40 percent six times in 1996-97. Minnesota hit a season-high 52 percent from the field against Purdue on Friday. The Gophers are also struggling from the free-throw line, shooting 69 percent. With no players taller than 6-0 in the starting lineup, Minnesota is struggling on the boards, especially the offensive glass, where it has been outrebounded 348-257. Minnesota has been outscored 75-64 by its opponents and turnovers are plaguing this squad at a rate of 24 a game.

IVERSON SECOND IN THE NATION IN REBOUNDING--Center Angie Iverson moved up to second in the nation in rebounding as of January 27. Iverson, who is averaging 12.0 boards a game, is second only Etolia Mitchell of Georgia State. Mitchell, who is 6-2, is averaging 13.9 rebounds a contest.

IVERSON BREAKS BIG TEN AND MINNESOTA REBOUNDING RECORD--Angie Iverson's career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record and Big Ten record of 23 set in 1984 by Molly Tadich against Northwestern and Wisconsin's Theresa Huff against Indiana in 1983. Iverson's 25 rebounds are also the highest rebound total in the nation this season.

HOW LONG ARE THOSE ARMS?--Angie Iverson's 25 rebounds in a game would register in anyone's record books. If Iverson played for the NBA's Minnesota Timberwolves, she would hold the franchise record by five rebounds. She just missed the Minnesota men's record by three boards. A breakdown:

Minnesota women's record: Iverson, 25 (1996)

Minnesota men's record: Larry Mikan, 28 vs. Michigan (1970)

Minnesota Timberwolves record: 20, three times--last by Dean Garrett (1997)

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--Angie Iverson has posted 13 double-doubles in 21 games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 15.6 points and 12.1 rebounds a game. Her rebound average is second in the nation and leads the Big Ten Conference. Iverson now has 19 double-doubles in her career. Iverson's best totals were at Colorado State, where she ripped down a Minnesota and Big Ten record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and scored 16 points. Iverson also has double-doubles against Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14), Marquette (11-12), Fairfield (13-15), Michigan (17-17), Indiana (21-11), Illinois (22-14), Michigan State (24-12), Northwestern (19-14), Penn State (14-14) and Purdue (25-12). She has also missed three other double-doubles by one point or rebound in

1996-97.

Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON SETS CAREER-HIGH IN SCORING AGAINST PURDUE--Angie Iverson's storybook season continued Friday evening as she poured in a career-high 29 points on 13-of-15 shooting from the field. She beat her previous career-high of 24 set twice this season against Wis.-Green Bay and Michigan State.

HANSEN RECORDS CAREER-HIGH--Mindy Hansen, who was relegated to coming off the bench three weeks ago in a coach's decision, responded with her best games of the season. Hansen had a then-season-high 18 points against Ohio State, then followed that with a career-high 24 points against Northwestern. Hansen also has found her shooting touch, going 18-for-31 (.580) against Ohio State and Northwestern. She has scored in double figures in five of six games coming off the bench.

HANSEN GOING CRAZY--Sophomore Mindy Hansen is second on the Gophers in scoring at 11.8 a game. Hansen has been in double figures in 15 of 21 games this season for the Gophers and has led the team six times in scoring. Last year, Hansen averaged almost six points a game and had a career-high of 19 points versus Northern Iowa.

BURNS PERMANENTLY IN THE STARTING LINEUP--Newcomer Kiauna Burns made her first career start as a Gopher against Nebraska and has become a fixture in the lineup by starting the next eight games. Since joining the starting lineup, Burns has averaged seven points and 39 minutes, including 42 minutes against Illinois. She has had four games in double-figure scoring during that time, including a career-high 13 points against Ohio State on Sunday.

BURNS RANKS IN TOP TEN FOR STEALS--Kiauna Burns ranks fifth in the Big Ten for steals with 2.32 a game. Wisconsin's Keisha Anderson leads the Big Ten with 3.11 a game.

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will make a total of seven appearances on MSC this season, including the final televised game against Indiana on Sunday, Feb. 16. Game time is 2 p.m. with Michele Tafoya and Lea Bergin-Olsen calling all of the

Swimming and Diving

HEGENER ATHLETE ON MONTH FOR JANUARY--

Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)** was named Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for January. During the month, Hegener was ranked third in the nation in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:02.21) and sixth in the nation in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:15.49). She beat the nation's second-ranked swimmer in the 200-yard breaststroke, **Sarah Krueger** of Wisconsin, at the Quad Duals meet by 1.21 seconds. Hegener is undefeated this year in 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events with six victories in each event during January. She was also a member of seven winning 200-yard medley relay teams in January. In the Big Ten Conference, she is ranked second in the 100-yard breaststroke and third in the 200-yard breaststroke in the Jan. 27 rankings. On Jan. 10, Hegener reset her Minnesota school record in the 200-yard breaststroke with time of 2:15.49 in dual meet with Kansas, surpassing her previous record of 2:16.10.

GOPHERS LOOKING FORWARD TO PERFECT SEASON --

For the fourth time in the 24-year history of the women's swimming and diving team, Minnesota is looking at an undefeated season going into the final dual meet of the year. The Gophers are 12-0 overall and have a 6-0 Big Ten Conference mark. Previous perfect records came during the 1994-95 season (10-0, 5-0), 1976-77 season (10-0, 1-0) and the 1974-75 season (2-0 overall).

RECORD COULD BE SET AND ANOTHER TIED THIS WEEKEND --

If Minnesota wins its final dual meet of the year against Iowa on Saturday, Feb. 8, it will set a record for the number of Big Ten Conference opponents to fall to the Gophers in a single season at seven. The 1996-97 squad has tied the team record for conference wins at six, with Minnesota having 6-1 Big Ten records during the 1993-94 and 1990-91 seasons. With a victory against the Hawkeyes, Minnesota will tie its record for the most wins in a dual meet season at 13, tying the 1990-91 season record of 13-3.

IOWA VISITS UAC IN GOPHERS FINAL DUAL MEET OF SEASON -

The ninth-ranked University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team hosts the University of Iowa Hawkeyes in both teams' final dual meet of the year. This is the first meeting of the two teams since the 1993-94 season. They were to have a dual meet last year at Minnesota, but inclement weather kept Iowa from making the trip. The Gophers are 12-0 overall this year and 6-0 in the Big Ten, while the Hawkeyes are 2-4 overall and 0-4 in the conference.

The Minnesota-Iowa dual meet series started during the 1976-77 season when the Gophers went 10-0 overall and 1-0 in the conference, with Minnesota leading in the won/loss/tie column 11-5-1. The Gophers have won four of the last five dual meets with the Hawkeyes.

GOPHERS WIN QUAD DUALS -- Three conference opponents fell to Minnesota at the Quad Duals meet, Jan. 31-Feb. 1,

at the University Aquatic Center. The Gophers defeated 22nd-ranked Wisconsin, 243-105; 23rd-ranked Illinois, 219-130; and Purdue 243-107. Minnesota won 12 of the 19 events, including 10 individual events, with three student-athletes winning two individual events each.

Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)** won the 100- (1:02.87) and 200-yard breaststroke (2:16.33) events and was on the winning 200-yard medley relay team (1:43.92). First-year swimmer **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)** was first in the 50- (23.72) and 100-yard freestyle (51.28) events and was a member of the winning 800-yard freestyle (7:29.05) team. Senior **JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN)** gave the Gophers a pair of victories by winning the 200-yard butterfly (2:03.76) and the 400-yard individual medley (4:26.16).

MORE GOPHER QUAD DUALS WINNERS

Junior **SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ONTARIO, CANADA/SILVERTHORN)**

200-yard medley relay 1:43.92

Senior **TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)**

200-yard medley relay 1:43.92

100-yard butterfly 55.74

Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)**

500-yard freestyle 4:55.63

800-yard freestyle relay 7:29.05

Frosh **AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY)**

200-yard medley relay 1:43.92

800-yard freestyle relay 7:29.05

Senior **CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)**

3-meter diving 450.45

Senior **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)**

1-meter diving 407.65

Frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)**

800-yard freestyle relay 7:29.05

Gymnastics

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO IOWA STATE—The University of Minnesota women's gymnastics team will travel to Ames, Iowa, for a dual meet on Saturday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. The Gophers are ranked 16th in the country and sport a 4-2 record following a 193.825-193.650 loss to No. 11 Utah State on Friday night.

IOWA STATE—The Cyclones have a record of 1-3 following a 192.075-190.625 loss to the University of Denver on Saturday. Iowa State is led by the "Mazza Triple Threat" of seniors **Katie, Kim and Karen Mazza**, who are triplets. **Kim Mazza** competes in the all-around, where she recorded a score of 38.250 against Denver to miss the all-around title by just .025. **Katie Mazza** specializes in the balance beam, and **Karen Mazza** is a member of the Cyclones' vaulting team. Head coach **Amy Pyle** is in her fifth season at Iowa State and has a 26-50 career record. She led the Cyclones to their first two NCAA Central Regional appearances ever in 1994 and 1995. The meet will be a homecoming of sorts for Gopher head coach **Jim Stephenson**, who is a 1973 graduate of Iowa State. Gopher assistant coach **Meg Stephenson** also graduated from ISU.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON—Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, **Stephenson** owns a 54-68 overall record at Minnesota. **Stephenson** came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES—**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHERS FALL TO NO. 11 UTAH STATE—Minnesota recorded its highest score of the season on Friday night in a 193.825-193.650 loss to Utah State. Since national rankings are based solely on score, the Gophers should improve in the rankings despite the loss. The meet was a reversal of sorts from Minnesota's come-from-behind victory over Arizona the previous meet. This time the Gophers led entering the final rotation, but Utah State scored 48.975 on the floor exercise to Minnesota's 48.15 on the balance beam to win the meet. Minnesota was again stellar on the floor exercise, recording a 49.125, its third highest score of all-time. Junior **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** and senior **KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG)** tied for first place in the event with scores of 9.875. Newcomer **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANA DEL NORESTE)** won the uneven bars with a 9.8. Other top three finishes for the Gophers were **Knaeble's** 9.7 on the vault, which tied for second, her 9.7 on the balance beam, good for third place, and **Cavazos' 38.875** in the all-around, which placed her third, just a tenth of a point out of first.

MEET HIGHLIGHTS—

KNAEBLE FLOORS 'EM AGAIN—In all four of Minnesota's meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has scored 9.875 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble** continued her outstanding season on the floor with a 9.875 against Utah State. She broke the school record in the event on Jan. 18 with a 9.925 at Michigan, and she scored 9.9 at the season-opening Best of Minnesota meet and in a dual meet with Arizona. **Knaeble** now has five of the Gophers' six best marks ever in the event and eight of the top 16, including the 9.925, which tied the Minnesota individual record for any apparatus. **Knaeble**, the defending Big Ten champion in the floor exercise, is now a perfect 4-for-4, winning the event in all four of Minnesota's meets this year.

MORE ON THE FLOOR—**Mindy Knaeble** isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked third in the nation on the floor exercise, and the team has recorded the second, third, fifth and seventh best scores in school history in the event during its four meets this season. Their 49.125 mark against Utah State ranks No. 3 all-time, following marks of 48.875 (No. 7) against Arizona, 48.95 (No. 5) against Michigan and 49.2 (No. 2) at the Best of Minnesota. Minnesota is taking dead aim on the school record of 49.275, which was set against Utah last season. Four Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including **Knaeble's** school record. **Kristen Vandersall** tied her personal best on Friday with a 9.875. **Judith Cavazos** set a personal record with a 9.85 against Arizona, and senior **JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI)** tied her career-high at the Best of Minnesota with a 9.875. **Knaeble, Vandersall** and **Hammons** have combined to produce 15 of Minnesota's 16 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only **Lori Kindler**, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS—In only four meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** has earned two all-around victories and recorded the sixth- and seventh- best all-around scores in school history. **Cavazos** is the only Gopher to have competed in the all-around this season, and she set a personal best with a 38.875 against Utah State. **Cavazos** finished just one-tenth of a point behind winner **Jessica Porter** of Utah State. Her scores included a personal record 9.675 on the vault. Against Arizona, **Cavazos' score** of 38.45 was enough to win the event, and she scored a personal-record 9.85 on the floor exercise. That victory came on the heels of an impressive performance at Michigan, where **Cavazos** placed second in the all-around with a score of 38.85, losing only to Michigan newcomer **Sarah Cain**. In the process, **Cavazos** beat the defending Big Ten all-around champion, **Beth Amelkovich** of Michigan, who scored 38.8. **Cavazos** set personal records on the uneven bars (a Minnesota season-high 9.825) and the balance beam (9.675). She opened the season by winning the all-around at the Best of Minnesota.

PERSONAL HIGHS ABOUND—As one would expect from a meet where the team set a season-high, many Gopher gymnasts also set season-highs in individual events. A rundown:

Vault—

Frosh **Judith Cavazos**-9.675

Junior **Mindy Knaeble**-9.7

Junior **MOLLY UMLAND (BROOKLYN PARK, MN/PARK CENTER)**-9.65 (tie)

Frosh **KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/GATEWAY)**-9.625

Balance beam—

Junior **MINDY MYHRE (MAHTOMEDI, MN/MAHTOMEDI)**-9.55

Floor exercise—

Junior **Mindy Myhre**-9.8

Senior **Kristen Vandersall**-9.875 (tie, also ties career high)

Minnesota also set season highs as a team in every event except the floor exercise.

MINNESOTA HOSTS BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS—The University of Minnesota will host the Big Ten Gymnastics Championships on March 22-23 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet will include both the men's and women's championships. The women's event will begin at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 22. Tickets are now on sale. To order tickets or for more information, call the Gopher ticket office at 624-8080 during normal business hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE—The Gophers return home from Iowa State and enter their biggest test of the season to date, a showdown with No. 2 Utah on Feb. 15 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet begins at 7 p.m.

Tennis

MINNESOTA HOSTS DRAKE AND DEPAUL--Minnesota, 1-0 overall, hosts Drake on Friday evening and DePaul on Sunday morning at the 98th Street Racquet Club in Bloomington, Minn. Match time Friday is 6:30 p.m., while Sunday is 8 a.m.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--The Gophers are ranked #39 in the nation after a successful fall season in which they won 60 percent of their singles matches and half of their doubles contests. Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)** went 10-1 in the fall, taking over the #1 spot on the team.

Minnesota's probable starting lineup

#1 Nora Sauska

#2 Alice Rangsihienchai

#3 Jenni Svehla

#4 Tarah Elkins

#5 Jennifer Hayes

#6 Jana Hrdinova

Doubles:

#1 Sauska/Elkins

#2 Svehla/Rangsihienchai

#3 Hayes/Hrdinova

GOPHER REWIND--Minnesota opened its season with a 6-1 victory over Iowa State Saturday at the 98th Street Racquet Club. Newcomer Nora Sauska cruised to a 6-2, 6-0 victory over Erika Asmuss at #1 singles to record her 11th victory of the season. Sauska also teamed with **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** for an 8-3 win at #1 doubles. Sophomore **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** won her match in the #2 singles spot with a 6-3, 7-5 win over Kendra Leese to improve her record to 8-3 on the season. Other winners for Minnesota in singles included: **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)**, Elkins and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)**.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 39th in the fall Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. Nora Sauska is the only Minnesota player ranked in the individual rankings. She is 46th in the nation after posting a 10-1 fall record and winning two singles titles and a doubles title.

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS--Nora Sauska won her 11th match of the season against only one defeat. Sauska had won 10 matches in a row until falling at the Rolex Regional Qualifier in November.

RANGSITHIENCHAI BACK WITH A VENGEANCE--Alice Rangsihienchai, the 1996 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year, is playing strong for Gophers again this season. Rangsihienchai has won eight matches this season, good for second on the team with newcomer Helen Wang.

MINNESOTA WINS FOUR TITLES IN FALL--Nora Sauska and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON, WI)** combined to win Minnesota's four titles this fall. Sauska was the singles champion in Flight B at the Notre Dame Invitational and the A winner at the Wolfpack Invite, while Sauska teamed with Hrdinova to win the B doubles crown at Notre Dame. Hrdinova won her second doubles title over the weekend teaming with Christy Delgado of Iowa at the Indiana Regional Invitational.

UP NEXT--Minnesota will host Purdue and Illinois at the 98th Street Racquet Club next Friday and Sunday, respectively. Minnesota plays the Boilers on Friday at 6:30 p.m., followed by an 8 a.m. first serve on Sunday.

Track and Field

UP NEXT — The Gophers travel to Ames, Iowa, for the Iowa State Invitational on Friday and Saturday.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota sent four athletes to the Mercantile Bank Invitational at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls, Iowa, on Friday. **DANI PARKOS** (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL) and **TINA McDONALD** (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST) both provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in the shot put. Parkos's mark of 47-9 was first in that event and McDonald's 47-7 3/4 was third. Frosh **NATALIE SMITH** (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL) placed in three events, taking first place in both the long jump and the triple jump and placing eighth in the 55-meter hurdles. Her mark of 18-8 in the long jump set a Minnesota frosh record. Newcomer **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN** (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KATEDRALSKOLE) placed second in the triple jump with a leap of 39-4 1/2.

Minnesota results, Mercantile Bank Invitational

55m dash

8. Natalie Smith, :07.47

Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith 18-8 (Minnesota frosh record)

Triple Jump

1. Natalie Smith 39-10 1/2

2. Christine Gulbrandsen 39-4 1/2

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos 47-9 (provisional qualifier)

3. Tina McDonald 47-7 3/4 (provisional qualifier)

MINNESOTA ON THE BIG TEN SEASON-BESTS LIST — **CHANTEAU WHITE** (ALLEN, TX/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE) ranks among the conference leaders in three categories: fourth in the 55-meter dash, fifth in the 55-meter hurdles and sixth in the long jump. In the triple jump, Christine Gulbrandsen is first and Natalie Smith fourth. **KARI THOMPSON** (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON) is fourth in the 5000-meter run. In the shot put, Dani Parkos is third and Tina McDonald fifth. **ANDREA LENTZ** (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR) is fifth in the mile run. **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN** (MAASTRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDYLE) is sixth in the 3000-meter run.

MINNESOTA'S ALL-TIME INDOOR TOP TEN LIST — Chanteau White, who has competed in just two meets as a Gopher, ranks in the top ten of three all-time lists. White broke the school record in the 55 meters at the Minnesota Invitational. She also holds fifth place in both the 55 hurdles and the long jump. **YVETTE WHITE** (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON) also ranks on three lists: fourth in the 400-meter dash, eighth in the 55-meter hurdles and eighth in the 200-meter dash. **APASHA BLOCKER** (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT) is the school record holder in the pentathlon and also ranks ninth all-time in the triple jump. Christine

Gulbrandsen is second in the triple jump. **KIMBERLY HEATH** (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY) ranks first in the 200-meter dash and second in the 55-meter dash. In the shot put, Dani Parkos holds the third spot while Tina McDonald is seventh. Natalie Smith ranks fourth in the triple jump and is tied for fifth in the long jump. Daphne Panhuysen ranks sixth all-time in the 3000 meter run. **KERI ZWEIG** (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA) is ninth in the 1000 meter run. **SHELLIE BRAGGS** (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN) is tenth in the 200-meter dash.

THE SCHEDULE —

Feb. 8 Iowa State Invitational (Ames, IA)

Feb. 15 Minnesota Open

Feb. 22-23 Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)

March 8-9 NCAA CHampionships (Indianapolis, IN)

Soccer

MCELMURY NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-AMERICAN BY SOCCER BUZZ MAGAZINE--JENNIFER MCELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR) was named a second team all-American by Soccer Buzz magazine. It was the second all-American citation she has earned this season. She was also named to the second-team of the NSCA All-American team.

McElmury was named Big Ten Player of the Year after recording 14 goals and seven assists for 35 points. She also was named first-team all-Great Lakes region.

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 21 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN		
		FG/	FGA	FG%	FG/	FGA	FG%					REB	REB	REB									
Angie Iverson	21/ 21	110/	234	.470	2/	7	.286	112/	154	.727	334	15.9	106	145	251	12.0	66/	1	30	64	10	25	676
Mindy Hansen	21/ 15	100/	272	.368	11/	54	.204	37/	61	.607	248	11.8	25	64	89	4.2	41/	1	62	105	9	34	683
Lynda Hass	19/ 1	63/	145	.435	14/	49	.286	32/	46	.696	172	9.1	32	34	66	3.5	32/	1	18	42	2	14	425
Sarah Klun	21/ 21	68/	172	.395	2/	10	.200	39/	43	.907	177	8.4	32	51	83	4.0	58/	2	31	62	2	19	526
Kiauna Burns	21/ 9	50/	136	.368	6/	33	.182	28/	59	.475	134	6.4	14	36	50	2.4	47/	2	60	97	3	47	638
Sonja Robinson	21/ 18	49/	141	.348	0/	3	.000	31/	47	.660	129	6.1	34	56	90	4.3	50/	1	36	52	9	18	562
Jaime Ellis	20/ 20	28/	80	.350	11/	45	.244	10/	13	.769	77	3.9	4	17	21	1.1	27/	0	42	52	2	12	390
Andrea Seago	21/ 0	27/	57	.474	0/	0	.000	10/	13	.769	64	3.1	9	38	47	2.2	32/	0	7	15	8	1	276
Si Nonginthirath	3/ 0	2/	3	.667	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	4	1.3	0	1	1	.3	2/	0	0	6	0	1	12
Margaret Blom	3/ 0	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0	.0	0	1	1	.3	1/	0	0	2	0	1	21
Teresa O'Hearn	4/ 0	0/	1	.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	.3	0/	0	0	2	0	0	10
StephanieStromm	2/ 0	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0/	0	.000	0	.0	0	2	2	1.0	0/	0	0	0	0	2	6
Team Rebounds																							139

Golden Gophers 21/ 21 497/1241 .401 46/ 201 .229 299/ 436 .686 1339 63.8 257 445 841 40.1 356/ 8 286 499 45 174 --

Team Rebounds - 101

Opponent Totals 21/ 21 611/1453 .421 88/ 304 .290 261/ 391 .668 1571 74.8 348 464 913 43.5 393/ 7 348 411 87 290 --

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/- TOTAL -/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	5.2	11.1	.0	.3	5.3	7.3	15.9	12.0	1.4	3.1	.5	1.2	32.2
Mindy Hansen	4.8	13.0	.5	2.6	1.8	2.9	11.8	4.2	3.0	5.0	.4	1.6	32.5
Lynda Hass	3.3	7.6	.7	2.6	1.7	2.4	9.1	3.5	1.	2.2	.1	.7	22.4
Sarah Klun	3.2	8.2	.0	.5	1.9	2.1	8.4	4.0	1.5	3.0	.0	.9	25.1
Kiauna Burns	2.4	6.5	.3	1.6	1.3	2.8	6.4	2.4	2.9	4.6	.1	2.2	30.4
Sonja Robinson	2.3	6.7	.0	.1	1.5	2.2	6.1	4.3	1.7	2.5	.4	.9	26.8
Jaime Ellis	1.4	4.0	.6	2.3	.5	.7	3.9	1.1	2.1	2.6	.1	.6	19.5
Andrea Seago	1.3	2.7	.0	.0	.5	.6	3.1	2.2	.3	.7	.4	.1	13.1
Si Nonginthirath	.7	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.3	.3	.0	2.0	.0	.3	4.0
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.3	.0	.7	.0	.3	7.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.3	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.3	.0	.5	.0	.0	2.5
StephanieStrommen	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	3.0

Golden Gophers 23.7 59.1 2.2 9.6 14.2 20.8 63.8 40.1 13.6 23.8 2.1 8.3 ----

Opponent Totals 29.1 69.2 4.2 14.5 12.4 18.6 74.8 43.5 16.6 19.6 4.1 13.8 ----

BIG TEN STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 11 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			OFF DEF TOT											
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	REB	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
Angie Iverson	11/ 11	68/ 138	.493	2/ 6	.333	60/ 80	.750	198	18.0	51	71	122	11.1	36/ 1	18	30	7	19	368
Mindy Hansen	11/ 5	51/ 132	.386	4/ 25	.160	19/ 27	.704	125	11.4	13	27	40	3.6	26/ 0	31	49	5	18	347
Lynda Hass	11/ 1	41/ 96	.427	10/ 38	.263	17/ 22	.773	109	9.9	14	21	35	3.2	20/ 0	12	28	0	8	273
Sarah Klun	11/ 11	35/ 84	.417	2/ 7	.286	16/ 19	.842	88	8.0	18	32	50	4.6	28/ 0	15	36	1	5	270
Kiauna Burns	11/ 8	27/ 74	.365	2/ 15	.133	17/ 30	.567	73	6.6	7	19	26	2.4	26/ 0	35	55	1	24	374
Sonja Robinson	11/ 8	23/ 62	.371	0/ 1	.000	12/ 18	.667	58	5.3	13	20	33	3.0	28/ 0	19	23	4	9	278
Andrea Seago	11/ 0	14/ 32	.438	0/ 0	.000	5/ 6	.833	33	3.0	3	20	23	2.1	19/ 0	4	4	1	1	144
Jaime Ellis	11/ 11	12/ 30	.400	3/ 9	.333	1/ 2	.500	28	2.6	3	8	11	1.0	8/ 0	10	25	0	4	139
Si Nonginthirath	2/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	2.0	0	1	1	.5	2/ 0	0	6	0	1	11
Margaret Blom	2/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	1/ 0	0	2	0	1	10
Teresa O'Hearn	3/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0	5
StephanieStromm	2/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	2	2	1.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	6
Team Rebounds																			70

Golden Gophers	11/ 11	273/ 651	.419	23/ 101	.228	147/ 204	.721	716	65.1	122	221	413	37.6	194/ 1	144	258	19	92	--
Team Rebounds																			60

Opponent Totals	11/ 11	338/ 774	.437	42/ 160	.263	145/ 209	.694	863	78.5	182	235	477	43.4	192/ 2	193	203	46	155	--

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	6.2	12.6	.2	.6	5.5	7.3	18.0	11.1	1.6	2.7	.6	1.7	33.5
Mindy Hansen	4.6	12.0	.4	2.3	1.7	2.5	11.4	3.6	2.8	4.5	.5	1.6	31.6
Lynda Hass	3.7	8.7	.9	3.5	1.6	2.0	9.9	3.2	1.1	2.6	.0	.7	24.8
Sarah Klun	3.2	7.6	.2	.6	1.5	1.7	8.0	4.6	1.4	3.3	.1	.5	24.6
Kiauna Burns	2.5	6.7	.2	1.4	1.6	2.7	6.6	2.4	3.2	5.0	.1	2.2	34.0
Sonja Robinson	2.1	5.6	.0	.1	1.1	1.6	5.3	3.0	1.7	2.1	.4	.8	25.3
Andrea Seago	1.3	2.9	.0	.0	.5	.6	3.0	2.1	.4	.4	.1	.1	13.1
Jaime Ellis	1.1	2.7	.3	.8	.1	.2	2.6	1.0	.9	2.3	.0	.4	12.6
Si Nonginthirath	1.0	1.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	2.0	.5	.0	3.0	.0	.5	5.5
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.5	5.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.7
StephanieStrommen	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	3.0

Golden Gophers	24.8	59.2	2.1	9.2	13.4	18.6	65.1	37.6	13.1	23.5	1.7	8.4	----
Opponent Totals	30.7	70.4	3.8	14.6	13.2	19.0	78.5	43.4	17.6	18.5	4.2	14.1	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	627	701	11	0	1339	54
Opponent Totals	733	823	15	0	1571	45

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	3-18	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	34788	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	1657
Big Ten	1-10	HOME	13528	HOME AVERAGE	1230
Dial Soap Classic	1-1	AWAY	21260	AWAY AVERAGE	2126
UNLV Classic	1-1				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61- 70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69- 73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	!Wyoming	68- 66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	!James Madison	56- 64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60- 78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62- 75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63- 66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	@Stephen F. Austin	63- 80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	12/20	@Fairfield	74- 68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48- 61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63- 82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61- 67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47- 68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	01/10	*Illinois	85- 89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	01/12	*Michigan State	65- 76	L H	1288 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7
16	01/17	*Ohio State	61- 84	L A	3835 Hansen, 18	Klun, 6	Jones, 25	Jones, 9
17	01/19	*Northwestern	84- 91	L H	2122 Hansen, 24	Iverson, 14	Chawansky, 27	Ratay, 8
18	01/24	*Penn State	62- 83	L A	5646 Klun, 18	Iverson, 14	Potthoff, 20	Garner, 9
19	01/26	*#13 Wisconsin	57- 84	L A	7260 Hass, 16	Klun, 7	Klapp, Wiersma, 17	Wiersma, 9
20	01/31	*Purdue	64- 82	L H	1077 Iverson, 28	Iverson, 12	Roland, 27	Yasen, 7
21	02/02	*Ohio State	66- 64	W H	1403 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 9	Moua, 13	Jones, 11

* Big Ten ! Dial Soap Classic @ UNLV Classic

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 4-2 Dual: 1-2 Invites: 3-0 Home: 4-0 Away: 0-2 Big Ten: 0-1 Top 25: 1-2

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State										
2/15--#2 Utah										
2/22--at UMass										
3/1--Ohio State										
Illinois										
3/9--at Missouri										
3/14--Iowa State										
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										
Raw Average:	192.594									
Regional Qual. Score*:										

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.775	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.825	at Michigan (1/18/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Lacey Purkat	9.775	vs. Arizona (1/25/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Mindy Knaeble	9.925*	at Michigan (1/18/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	38.875	at Utah State (1/31/97)
TEAM VAULT		48.275	at Utah State (1/31/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		48.100	at Utah State (1/31/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		48.150	at Utah State (1/31/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.200	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		193.650	at Utah State (1/31/97)

*-school record

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.750	9.675				9.700					9.625	9.775	9.650	
Season Average	9.675	9.506				9.669					9.531	9.588	9.494	
Career Best	9.825	9.675		9.725		9.825		8.250		9.125	9.625	9.900	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.611	9.506		9.488		9.645		8.250		9.038	9.531	9.634	9.435	9.119
BARS														
Season Best		9.825	8.050		9.700		9.600			9.700			9.650	9.775
Season Average		9.594	8.050		9.175		9.525			9.594			9.588	9.119
Career Best	9.575	9.825	8.050		9.900	9.800	9.600			9.775		9.500	9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.594	8.050		9.522	9.323	9.525			9.319		9.381	9.534	9.505
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.675			9.700	9.750	8.950	9.550		9.775				
Season Average	9.519	9.581			9.463	9.600	8.950	9.400		9.550				
Career Best	9.825	9.675		9.725	9.925	9.900	8.950	9.775		9.825		9.775		
Career Average	9.445	9.581		9.375	9.551	9.630	8.950	9.394		9.534		9.129		
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.850		9.875		9.925		9.800				9.750		9.875
Season Average		9.806		9.813		9.900		9.538				9.631		9.856
Career Best	9.600	9.850		9.875	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.875
Career Average	9.421	9.806		9.690	9.423	9.696		9.421		9.396		9.631		9.619
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		38.875												
Season Average		38.488												
Career Best	38.275	38.875				39.075				37.900		38.375		
Career Average	37.486	38.488				38.404				37.575		37.833		

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins				1-0			6-4		7-4	.600
Jennifer Hayes					0-1		0-6		0-7	.000
Jana Hrdinova							6-4		6-4	.600
Alice Rangsithienchai		1-0					7-4		8-4	.750
Nora Sauska	1-0						10-1		11-1	
Kim Simonsen							6-4		6-4	.600
Jenni Svehla			1-0				5-6		6-6	.500
Helen Wang						1-0	7-4		8-4	.750
Totals							47-32		52-33	.612

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-3		4-3	.667
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska			1-0	1-0		1-0	1.000
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai			1-0	1-0		1-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes				1-0		1-0	1.000
				13-13		16-13	.551

University of Minnesota
1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 12-0 Big Ten: 6-0 Invitationals: 2-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State	W	#9	178-117
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Wisconsin	W	#9	243-105
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue	W	#9	243-107
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois	W	#9	219-130
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa			
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge			
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)	Jenny Hennen 23.67 • Amy Cottrill 23.95 Terri Jashinsky 24.34 Devon Coellner 24.34 Heather Miller 24.53	200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96) Marta Knowles 2:05.11 Beth Shimanski 2:09.21 Kimberly Wilson 2:08.46 Amy Cottrill 2:10.13 Alicia Hicken 2:12.12	400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78) 3:28.42 – Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill, Suzie Helvig, Jenny Hennen
100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)	Jenny Hennen 51.28 • Amy Cottrill 51.80 Terri Jashinsky 52.49 Devon Coellner 53.05 Olga Splichalova 53.11	100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03) Gretchen Hegener 1:02.21 # Devon Coellner 1:05.66 Kate McMillan 1:06.01 Michelle Fischer 1:07.58 Katie Olson 1:08.18	800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29) 7:29.05* – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Olga Splichalova
200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)	Jenny Hennen 1:50.11 • Olga Splichalova 1:50.19 • Terri Jashinsky 1:52.98 Alicia Hicken 1:53.56 Amy Cottrill 1:54.66	200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:15.49) Gretchen Hegener 2:15.49 ** Kate McMillan 2:22.33 Devon Coellner 2:23.22 Michelle Fischer 2:24.19 Jessica Grass 2:25.94	200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44) 1:43.18* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)	Olga Splichalova 4:50.45 • Kimberly Wilson 4:56.98 Jenny Hennen 4:58.75 Alicia Hicken 4:59.68 Jessica Grass 5:01.59	100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24) Tanya Schuh 54.86 # Terry Jashinsky 56.31 • Jenny Hennen 57.92 Carrie Raeth 58.58 Jessica Grass 58.94	400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05) 3:46.10* – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68\$)	Olga Splichalova 9:50.10 Kimberly Wilson 10:02.04 Alicia Hicken 10:14.87 Jessica Grass 10:19.90 Jenny Hennen 10:21.44	200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69) Jessica Grass 2:02.73 • Terri Jashinsky 2:03.05 • Jenny Hennen 2:04.25 Tanya Schuh 2:05.33 Kimberly Wilson 2:07.64	1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13) Carrie Hansen 272.40 % Andrea Berg 268.90 % Jenny Cook 253.73 % Shelby Evadine Miller 233.25 Andrea Wheeler 173.95
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)	Olga Splichalova 16:27.68 • Kimberly Wilson 16:46.66 • Alicia Hicken 17:06.47 Marta Knowles 17:47.14 Elizabeth Weld 18:08.52	100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24) Tanya Schuh 54.86 # Terry Jashinsky 56.31 • Jenny Hennen 57.92 Carrie Raeth 58.58 Jessica Grass 58.94	1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15) Andrea Berg 428.75 % Carrie Hansen 430.15 % Jenny Cook 351.35 Shelby Evadine Miller 325.70 Andrea Wheeler 213.10
100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)	Shona Baillie 58.07 Beth Shimanski 58.17 Marta Knowles 1:00.38 Amy Cottrill 1:01.63 Carrie Raeth 1:01.30	200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29) Jenny Hennen 2:06.46 Jessica Grass 2:07.38 Devon Coellner 2:08.44 Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72 Marta Knowles 2:11.65	3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90) Carrie Hansen 291.40 % Andrea Berg 283.65 % Jenny Cook 272.63 % Shelby Evadine Miller 254.55 Andrea Wheeler 188.70
		400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25) Olga Splichalova 4:21.91 • Jessica Grass 4:22.52 • Marta Knowles 4:30.41 Kimberly Wilson 4:30.66	3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51) Andrea Berg 487.10 % Carrie Hansen 450.45 % Jenny Cook 430.90 % Shelby Evadine Miller 375.45 Andrea Wheeler 280.10
		200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77) 1:35.14 – Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen	Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05) Carrie Hansen 325.35 % Jenny Cook 287.10 Andrea Wheeler 264.25
			Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time

•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

55 Meters

1. Chanteau White (c) (finals) *	:06.97
2. Chanteau White (c) (trials)	:07.06
3. Chanteau White (a) (finals)	:07.21
Chanteau White (a) (trials)	:07.21

200 meters

1. Yvette White (c)	:25.76
2. Shellie Braggs (c)	:25.93
3. Shellie Braggs (a)	:26.34

400 meters

1. Alisa Gartner (c)	1:00.86
2. Kay Fuller (a)	1:01.73
3. Alissa Bruss (a)	1:05.95

600 meters

1. Alissa Bruss (c)	1:43.21
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800 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (c)	2:19.88
2. Kristie Stiles (a)	2:26.91
3. Carrie Daniel (a)	2:27.37

Mile

1. Andrea Lentz (c)	5:03.52
2. Andrea Lentz (a)	5:09.06
2. Karen Kleindl (a)	5:09.84

3000 meters

1. Daphne Panhuysen (a) **	9:46.80
2. Daphne Panhuysen (c)	9:48.28
3. Kari Thompson (a)	10:11.91

5000 meters

1. Kari Thompson (c)	17:28.27
2. Amy Hoel (c)	18:47.80
3. Janet Howe (c)	18:53.33

55 meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (c)	:08.20
2. Chanteau White (c)	:08.49
3. Chanteau White (a)	:08.20

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Smith, Braggs, Fuller, Y. White (a)	4:06.41
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Distance Medley Relay

1. Minnesota (c)	12:31.35
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High Jump

Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith (d) **	18-8
Chanteau White (c)	18-8
3. Natalie Smith (c)	18-2 1/4

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (b) **	41-0 1/2
2. Christine Gulbrandsen (a)	40-11
3. Natalie Smith (d)	39-10 1/2

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (d) ***	47-9
2. Tina McDonald (d) ***	47-7 3/4
3. Tina McDonald (b)	47-1 3/4

Pentathlon

* Minnesota record

** Frosh record

*** NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, WI)

(c) Minnesota Invitational (Minneapolis, MN)

(d) Mercantile Bank Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Thursday, February 13**
 SB vs. Tennessee 12 noon
 SB at Texas-Arlington 2 p.m.
 (Arlington, Texas)
- Friday, February 14**
 SW hosts Minnesota Challenge 6 p.m.
 TN hosts Purdue 6:30 p.m.
 SB vs. Baylor 11:15 a.m.
 (Arlington, Texas)
 SB vs. Missouri 3:45 p.m.
 (Arlington, Texas)
- Saturday, February 15**
 SW hosts Minnesota Challenge 12 noon/6 p.m.
 T/F hosts Minnesota Open 11 a.m.
 GY hosts Utah 7 p.m.
 SB vs. Kentucky 9 a.m.
 (Arlington, Texas)
- Sunday, February 16**
 TN hosts Illinois 8 a.m.
 BKB hosts Indiana 2 p.m.
 SB at UTA Tournament

All Times CST

What's Coming Up

- Basketball plays final home game Sunday
- Fargo-Moorhead Acrobatic Team to perform Sunday
- #16 Gymnastics, #39 Tennis, Track and Field and #8 Swimming and Diving all home
- Gymnastics faces #2 Utah Saturday
- Tennis opens Big Ten season with Purdue and Illinois
- #20 Softball opens its season in Texas

Last Week's Highlights

- Gretchen Hegener named Big Ten Swimmer of the Month
- Gymnastics defeats Iowa State with highest team score of the year; set school record in the vault
- Volleyball and soccer sign top players for next season
- Angie Iverson dominates Big Ten's best, posting 14th and 15th double-doubles and a career-high 30 points
- Tennis wins a pair as Nora Sauska improves to 13-1
- Swimming and Diving goes a perfect 13-0 in dual meets and 7-0 in Big Ten
- Four school records set in track and field

Soccer and Volleyball

MONTAGNE AND HEBERT SIGN NATION'S ELITE RECRUITS--Head volleyball coach Dr. Mike Hebert announced the signing of Lisa Aschenbrenner of Algonquin, Ill.; Heather Baxter of Aurora, Ill.; Nicole Branagh of Orinda, Calif.; Erica Glaser of Omaha, Neb.; Tanya Dulder of Manitoba, Canada; and Sonja Posthuma of the Netherlands to National Volleyball Letters of Intent.

Aschenbrenner, a 6-0 left-handed outside hitter, is a four-year letterwinner and a two-time all-state selection from Huntley High School. She led her team to three state tournament appearances earning all-conference acclaim three times and was a member of the gold-medal 1995 U.S. Junior Olympic team.

Baxter, a 6-1 middle hitter, is a three-time letterwinner at West Aurora High School. She unanimous all-conference selection and team MVP as a junior and senior.

Branagh, a 6-1 outside hitter, is a three-year letterwinner at Miramonte High School. A two-time all-conference selection and the '96 Tri-County Athletic League MVP, Branagh led her team to a second-place finish in the Northern California Division III tournament last fall.

Glaser, a 6-1 middle hitter, is a three-time letterwinner and second team all-state selection at Millard North High School. She earned all-Metro Conference honors as a senior after leading the league with an average of 1.42 blocks a game and a hitting percentage of .380.

Dulder, a 6-0 outside hitter, is a three-year letterwinner and provincial all-star at Glenlawn Collegiate High School in Winnepeg. She led her team to a number-one provincial ranking in both her junior and senior seasons and earned a bronze medal at the 1996 National Team Challenge Cup in Calgary.

Posthuma is a 6-0 athlete who could play either the middle blocker or outside hitter position. She plays for the Sneek Club in Holland, which is a part of the Dutch Volleyball Association and an integral feeder system for the Dutch National Teams.

Hebert also announced that Joy Nicholson of River Falls, Wis., will attend Minnesota in the fall and compete for the Gophers as a walk-on. Nicholson, a 6-1 middle hitter, is a four-year letterwinner at River Falls High School. She earned team MVP and all-conference first team honors as both a junior and a senior.

Head soccer coach Sue Montagne announced the signings of Laurie Seidl of St. Charles, Ill., and Julie Eibensteiner of St. Paul, Minn., to National Soccer Letters of Intent. Both will join the Gophers in the fall of 1997.

Seidl, a forward, is a three-year letterwinner at St. Charles High School. She was named Illinois Player of the Year and all-state her junior year. She led St. Charles to the 1996 and 1994 state championship and was named an 1996 all-American after posting 40 goals and 11 assists for 91 points. She is a member of the Olympic Development Program.

Eibensteiner is an all-state goalkeeper from Totino-Grace High School. She led the state in goals-against-average at 0.27 and recorded 11 shutouts on the season in leading her team to the state championship semifinals. Eibensteiner was named to the all-state tournament team twice and earned Midwest all-American honors this season.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS HOST NATIONAL POWER UTAH--The University of Minnesota women's gymnastics team faces its biggest test of the season on Saturday night when Utah visits the Sports Pavilion for a dual meet beginning at 7 p.m. Utah is ranked #2 in the country and has won 10 national championships in the past 16 years. Minnesota, ranked #16 in the country, improved to 5-2 on the season with a 193.700-191.900 victory over Iowa State on Saturday in Ames, Iowa.

UTAH--Utah is 4-1 following its first loss of the season, 194.900-194.575 to Oregon State on Saturday night in Corvallis, Ore. The team entered the meet ranked second in the country with an average score of 196.085. Utah is a young but talented team featuring just one senior and one junior on a roster of 10. Sophomore **Summer Reid** is the defending NCAA champion on the balance beam and has already scored a 10.0 on the beam this season against Brigham Young. Junior **Traci Sommer** is the team's top all-arounder, with a season high of 39.525. Head coach **Greg Marsden** is in his 22nd season at the helm of Utah and is the only coach the program has ever had. Including postseason competition, **Marsden's** record is 635-86-2. He has won 10 national championships. Minnesota head coach **Jim Stephenson** was an assistant at Utah from 1989 to 1992, where he was a part of national championship teams in 1990 and 1992. Utah leads the series with Minnesota 12-0. The Gophers recorded their best team score ever, 194.700, last season against Utah at the Sports Pavilion.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON--Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, **Stephenson** owns a 55-68 overall record at Minnesota. **Stephenson** came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES--**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHERS DEFEAT IOWA STATE--Minnesota recorded its highest score of the season in a 193.700-191.900 victory over Iowa State. The score was highlighted by a school-record performance by the Gophers' vaulting team. Minnesota scored 48.75 in the event to break the old record of 48.525, which was set in 1995. The team also recorded its third-highest score ever on the uneven bars, 48.625. After two events, Minnesota was on a school-record pace. But the Gophers had their lowest mark of the season, 48.625 on the floor exercise and had three gymnasts fall off the balance beam.

Ironically, the vault was the only event not won by a Gopher individual. Senior **KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG)** and newcomer **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANA DEL NORESTE)**

tied for first on the uneven bars with marks of 9.8. Junior **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** won the balance beam with a Minnesota season-high mark of 9.85. **Vandersall** and **Knaeble** tied for the floor exercise title with scores of 9.825. **Cavazos** won her third all-around title of the season by posting a score of 38.5.

VAULTING TO THE TOP—Minnesota's vault score of 48.75 broke the school record of 48.525, which was set against Nebraska in 1995. Junior **STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR)** scored a Minnesota season-high 9.8 to finish second. Juniors **Mindy Knaeble** and **KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT)** and newcomer **KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/GATEWAY)** were part of a four-way tie for third place with marks of 9.75. Junior **MOLLY UMLAND (BROOKLYN PARK, MN/PARK CENTER)** was the fifth scorer for the Gophers with a 9.7. With the exception of **Sveum**, each of the five set a season-high. The vault is Minnesota's most improved event this season. The Gophers have also recorded their third-, sixth- and eighth-best scores ever so far this year.

KNAEBLE FLOORS 'EM AGAIN—In all five of Minnesota's meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble**, who is ranked second in the nation in the event, continued her outstanding season on the floor with a 9.825 against Iowa State. She broke the school record in the event on Jan. 18 with a 9.925 at Michigan, and she scored 9.9 at the season-opening Best of Minnesota meet and in a dual meet with Arizona. **Knaeble** now has five of the Gophers' six best marks ever in the event and eight of the top 16, including the 9.925, which tied the Minnesota individual record for any apparatus. **Knaeble**, the defending Big Ten champion in the floor exercise, is now a perfect 5-for-5, winning the event or sharing the title in all five of Minnesota's meets this year.

MORE ON THE FLOOR—**Mindy Knaeble** isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked second in the nation on the floor exercise, and the team has recorded the second, third, fifth and seventh best scores in school history in the event so far this season. Their 49.125 mark against Utah State ranks No. 3 all-time, following marks of 48.875 (No. 7) against Arizona, 48.95 (No. 5) against Michigan and 49.2 (No. 2) at the Best of Minnesota. Minnesota is taking dead aim on the school record of 49.275, which was set against Utah last season. Four Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set career-highs in the event, including **Knaeble's** school record. **Kristen Vandersall** tied her personal best at Utah State with a 9.875. **Judith Cavazos** set a personal record with a 9.85 against Arizona, and senior **JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI)** tied her career-high at the Best of Minnesota with a 9.875. **Knaeble, Vandersall** and **Hammons** have combined to produce 15 of Minnesota's 16 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only **Lori Kindler**, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS—In only five meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** has earned three all-around victories and recorded the sixth and seventh best all-around scores in school history. Her 38.5 all-around score on

Saturday produced victory number three. **Cavazos** is the only Gopher to have competed in the all-around this season, and she set a personal best with a 38.875 against Utah State. Against Arizona, **Cavazos'** score of 38.45 was enough to win the event, and she scored a personal-record 9.85 on the floor exercise. That victory came on the heels of an impressive performance at Michigan, where **Cavazos** placed second in the all-around with a score of 38.85, losing only to Michigan newcomer **Sarah Cain**. In the process, **Cavazos** beat the defending Big Ten all-around champion, **Beth Amelkovich** of Michigan, who scored 38.8. **Cavazos** set personal records on the uneven bars (a Minnesota season-high 9.825) and the balance beam (9.675). She opened the season by winning the all-around at the Best of Minnesota.

KRISTEN BARS THE DOOR—Senior **Kristen Vandersall** had her best meet of the season on Saturday by winning two events and setting a season-high of 9.8 on the uneven bars. **Vandersall** had struggled on the bars in her previous three meets, but improved her season average from 9.119 to 9.255 with her performance at Iowa State. One of two senior co-captains on the team, **Vandersall** holds a share of the school record on the bars with three marks of 9.9 in her career.

PERSONAL HIGHS ABOUND—As one would expect from a meet where the Gophers had their highest team score of the season, many Minnesota gymnasts also set or tied season highs. A rundown:

Vault—

Junior **Stacey Batza**—9.8
Frosh **Judith Cavazos**—9.675 (tie)
Junior **Mindy Knaeble**—9.75
Frosh **Kristi Selinger**—9.75
Junior **Molly Umland**—9.7

Uneven bars—

Sophomore **CATHY KEYSER (PLYMOUTH, MN/LAKE FININNDERO H.S.-AUSTRALIA)**—9.7 (tie)
Junior **Molly Umland**—9.7
Senior **Kristen Vandersall**—9.8

Balance beam—

Sophomore **Cathy Keyser**—9.75
Junior **Mindy Knaeble**—9.85

MINNESOTA HOSTS BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS—The University of Minnesota will host the Big Ten Gymnastics Championships on March 22-23 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet will include both the men's and women's championships. The women's event will begin at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 22. Tickets are now on sale. To order tickets or for more information, call the Gopher ticket office at 624-8080 during normal business hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE—Following the meet with Utah, Minnesota travels to Amherst, Mass., for a dual meet with the University of Massachusetts. The Gophers' next home meet is Sat., March 1 at 7 p.m. against Big Ten rivals Ohio State and Illinois.

Basketball

MINNESOTA HOSTS INDIANA IN FINAL HOME GAME OF THE SEASON--Minnesota, 3-20 overall and 1-11 in the Big Ten, hosts Indiana Sunday, Feb. 16, in its final home game of the season. Indiana is 13-10 on the season and 6-7 in the Big Ten Conference.

MINNESOTA ON TV--Minnesota will have its final televised game of the season on MSC against Indiana Sunday, Feb. 16. Game time is 2 p.m. with **Michele Tafoya** and **Lea Bergin-Olsen** calling the action. In all, Minnesota had seven games and two magazine shows televised this season by MSC.

SUNDAY IS FEDERATED INSURANCE DAY FEATURING THE FARGO-MOORHEAD ACROBATS--Sunday's game against Indiana is Federated Insurance Day featuring the Fargo-Moorhead Acrobatic Team at halftime. There will also be prize drawings for cellular phones courtesy of AirTouch Cellular.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS--Minnesota has settled on a lineup with **MINDY HANSEN (CHASKA, MN/CHASKA)**, who started the first 15 games of the season, permanently coming off the bench. **SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL)** has started in place of Hansen at the small forward position the last eight games. The starting lineup now features two juniors in **ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA)** and **JAIME ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO)**, two sophomores (**Robinson** and **SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)**) and a first-year athlete (**KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)**). The probable starting lineup:

#23	G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
#21	F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
#15	G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
#53	C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
#45	F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
The Reserves					
#12	G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
#22	G	Stephanie Strommen	5-8	So.	Bloomington, Minn./Kennedy/Arizona St.
#24	C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
#25	G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
#32	F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
#35	C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
#33	F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season, but has the heart of a champion never giving up. Minnesota has been ahead in the second half in 11 of 23 games this season and has only lost five games by more than 20 points (Nebraska, Ohio State, Penn State, Michigan State and Wisconsin), while taking Illinois to overtime in game one and falling to three other teams by six points or less.

Minnesota has suffered through a number of injuries this season, three of which were season- or career-ending before the year began. The Gophers have been healthier of late, not suffer-

ing an injury that would require missed playing time for over a month.

Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **Angie Iverson**, who is attempting to earn first-team all-Big Ten honors. **Iverson** would be the first player since **Carol Ann Shudlick** to receive the honor for the Gophers. **Iverson** definitely has the numbers to back up her cause as she leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 16.8 points and 12.3 boards a game, respectively. **Iverson** is second in the nation in rebounding per game and is ninth in the Big Ten in overall scoring and fourth in conference games. **Iverson** has recorded 15 double-doubles on the season and set a Minnesota and Big Ten record with 25 rebounds against Colorado State in December. She also had a career-high 30 points and 18 rebounds against league-leader Illinois on Sunday.

Junior starting point guard **Jaime Ellis** is suffering from a stress fracture and was limited to only 16 minutes a contest until last weekend. **Ellis** has given way at the point to newcomer **Kiauna Burns** and sophomore **Mindy Hansen**. **Burns** is averaging 31 minutes a game this season and has averaged 38 minutes a contest in her last 11 games. **Hansen** is second on the team in scoring at 11.1 points a game and had a season-high 24 points against Northwestern after posting 18 versus Ohio State in her first two games off the bench. Add that to **Sarah Klun** who is averaging 8.3 points and 4.0 rebounds a game, and sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who is third on the team in scoring at 8.9 points coming off the bench for the Gophers, and Minnesota has a solid nucleus for next season.

Other players in Minnesota's rotation include sophomore **Sonja Robinson**, at 6.0 points and 4.1 rebounds, and center **Andrea Seago**, the only true center on the Minnesota roster, at 2.9 points and 2.3 rebounds.

GOPHERS ADD FOUR WALK-ONS--Minnesota added four walk-ons to the roster in **Sy Nonginthirath**, **Margaret Blom**, **Teresa O'Hearn** and **Stephanie Strommen** for the 1997 season.

Nonginthirath is a 5-5 senior guard. She played from 1992-94 at Dordt College, an NAIA school, in Sioux Center, Iowa. **Nonginthirath** has played in three games. Against Indiana, **Nonginthirath** played 5 minutes with two points, a steal and a rebound. **Nonginthirath** did not make the trip last weekend due to academic responsibilities.

Blom is a 6-1 first-year center and has played in three games. **Blom** saw her first action against Nebraska, playing 11 minutes and recording one rebound. Against Michigan State Friday evening, **Blom** had a block in 5 minutes of play.

O'Hearn, who was the goalkeeper on the Minnesota women's soccer team, completed her soccer eligibility and will have two years to play basketball. **O'Hearn** is a 6-0 forward. She saw her first playing time against Nebraska, recording a rebound in 5 minutes and has played in six games.

Strommen joined the Gophers at winter quarter after transferring from Arizona State. **Strommen**, who is from Bloomington, Minn., and Kennedy High School, is a 5-8 guard and a sophomore in eligibility. She will wear #22. **Strommen** did not play basketball at Arizona State. She saw her first action of the year against Penn State, playing 3 minutes and grabbing one rebound. She then collected 2 minutes against Wisconsin and played a career-high 8 minutes with one rebound against Michi-

gan State.

THE HEAD COACH—Linda Hill-MacDonald is in her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 65-122 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American Carol Ann Shudlick. For her career, Hill-MacDonald has a record of 230-252 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: Hill-MacDonald's assistant coaches are Tréka McMillian, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player Crystal Flint moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season, and Cara Pearson, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. Pearson was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT—The Gophers have struggled with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries and has suffered continuous injuries throughout the season. Here is the injury timeline of the Gophers this season:

September 13, 1996-- All-Big Ten honorable mention center Cheri Stafford is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

September, 1996--Point guard Swantreca Taylor takes a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. Taylor was the backup to Jaime Ellis last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

October 15, 1996--Forward Sarah Schieber tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. Schieber had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. Schieber was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

November 20, 1996--Forward Lynda Hass is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. Hass missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor for the Gophers and is currently third on the squad in scoring.

December, 1996--Starting point guard Jaime Ellis, who had averaged 34 minutes a game, is diagnosed with a stress fracture and is limited to 16 minutes a game.

December 30, 1996--Reserve Andrea Seago suffered a nasal fracture when Angie Iverson caught her with an elbow. She is cleared to play, but will have to wear a protective face guard for one more week.

January 3, 1997--Teresa O'Hearn suffers a sprain of the right ankle. She missed the Indiana game, but returned for the Nebraska contest.

January 3, 1997--Reserve Margaret Blom missed-the

Indiana game due to migraine headaches. She returned Tuesday against Nebraska.

January 7, 1997--Jaime Ellis missed the Nebraska game due to a stress fracture.

KNOCK ON WOOD--Minnesota has finally experienced some good luck lately as the team has gone one month without a serious injury to a player. Jaime Ellis is finally off restriction for her stress fracture and should see more minutes the rest of the season. Ellis played 20 minutes against Michigan State and 17 versus Illinois.

THE OPPONENTS--INDIANA--Indiana is 13-10 on the season and 6-7 in the Big Ten Conference. Indiana's head coach Jim Izard is in his ninth season at Indiana, posting a 141-108 record. The Hoosiers are led by Quacy Barnes and guard Tajana Vesel. Barnes is averaging 14.6 points and 6.2 rebounds a game. She also leads the nation in blocks with 84 and is averaging 3.8 points a game. Vesel is averaging 13.1 rebounds and 4.6rebounds a game. Kristi Green is at 11.9 points and 3.6 rebounds. She also has 3.0 assists.

THE SERIES--Minnesota leads the series 17-13, but has lost the last two meetings after winning five in a row. Minnesota lost to Indiana, 67-61, at Assembly Hall earlier this season.

GAME ONE RECAP--Minnesota lost a heartbreaker to Indiana, 67-61, at Assembly Hall in Bloomington, Ind. Indiana jumped out to an early 23-9 lead, but Minnesota rallied and closed the gap to eight at halftime. In the second half, Indiana got up by as many as 12 before Minnesota closed the gap to five with 11 minutes to go. Minnesota then went on a 7-0 run and closed the gap to two at 59-57 with 4 minutes remaining. Minnesota had a chance to tie the game, but two three-pointers by Lynda Hass fell short and Indiana escaped with the victory. Angie Iverson led all Minnesota scorers with 21 points and 11 rebounds, her eighth double-double of the season, while Sarah Klun had 16 points and a career-high nine rebounds.

BIG TEN UPDATE-- Illinois is tied with Michigan State for first place in the Big Ten standings followed closely by Purdue and Wisconsin. Here are the updated standings as of Feb. 10.

	Big Ten	Overall
1. Illinois	10-2	18-4
Michigan State	10-2	18-4
3. Purdue	9-3	13-8
4. Wisconsin	7-5	14-7
5. Penn State	6-6	13-9
Iowa	6-6	11-10
7. Indiana	6-7	13-10
Northwestern	6-7	13-9
8. Michigan	4-8	12-9
10. Ohio State	3-10	11-12
11. Minnesota	1-12	3-20

THE STREAK IS OVER--Minnesota stopped its conference record 32-game Big Ten losing streak with a 66-64 win over Ohio State Sunday at the Sports Pavilion. Minnesota, which had won its last conference game on February 10, 1995, when it beat Illinois, used 22 points from Angie Iverson and a solid defensive effort to defeat the Buckeyes.

GOPHER REWIND--MICHIGAN STATE--The Spartans dominated the Gophers in every aspect of the game Friday night to win 102-51. The 51-point defeat was the largest margin of deficit for the Gophers since they lost by 53 points last season to Ohio State.

Michigan State, playing without leading scorer **Nicole Cushing-Adkins** due to an elbow injury, used the rest of its bench as 10 different MSU players scored and in five had double-figures. Michigan State was led by **Bella Engen**, who had 22 points on perfect 8-of-8 shooting in only 17 minutes. **Paula Sanders** had 19 points for the Spartans while sitting out the last 10 minutes of the game and **Kristen Rasmussen** recorded her first career double-double with 14 points and a career-high 11 rebounds. **Jamie Wesley** and **Cheri Euler** had 12 points each for MSU.

For the game Michigan State shot 55 percent, while holding the Gophers to only 35 percent. The Spartans also dominated the glass outrebounding the Gophers, 52-33, and converted 27 Minnesota turnovers into 35 points.

For Minnesota, **Angie Iverson** was the star with 23 points and 13 rebounds. It was the 14th double-double of the season for **Iverson** as she accounted for 40 percent of the scoring and 39 percent of the rebounding on the night. **Kiauna Burns** added nine points for the Gophers.

ILLINOIS--Angie Iverson again dissected the opposing defense in scoring a career-high 30 points, but it wasn't enough as the Gophers lost to #25 Illinois 95-76 in Champaign, Ill. **Iverson** also had 18 rebounds in the game for her 15th double-double of the season. **Iverson's** 18 rebounds were her second-highest season total. She had a Big Ten record of 25 earlier this season.

Illinois jumped out to a 52-39 halftime lead as Minnesota committed 17 turnovers in the initial period. The Gophers came back and played a strong second half against Illinois, but could not overcome the halftime deficit.

Ashley Berggren had 20 points and 10 rebounds for Illinois, while **Nicole Vasey** had 16 points and 13 rebounds.

Kiauna Burns tied a career-high with 13 points, while **Lynda Hass** had 12 points and a career-high six assists. **Sarah Klun** also had 10 points for Minnesota.

TEAM NOTES---Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 40 percent. Minnesota has shot above 45 percent only four times the entire season and above 40 percent six times in 1996-97. With no players taller than 6-0 in the starting lineup, Minnesota is getting killed on the boards, especially the offensive glass, where they have been outrebounded 386-288. Minnesota has been outscored 77-64 by its opponents, and turnovers are plaguing this squad at a rate of 24 a game.

IVERSON FIRST IN NATION IN TOTAL REBOUNDS--Angie Iverson, at only 6-0, is crashing the boards at a record pace this season. She is leading the nation in total rebounds with 282 rebounds through 23 games. **Etolia Mitchell** is next closest competitor with 236 rebounds through 17 games.

IVERSON SECOND IN THE NATION IN REBOUNDING

PER GAME--Center **Angie Iverson** is second in the nation in rebounds per game. **Iverson**, who is averaging 12.3 boards a game, is second only **Etolia Mitchell** of Georgia State. **Mitchell**, who is 6-2, is averaging 13.9 rebounds a contest.

IVERSON BREAKS BIG TEN AND MINNESOTA REBOUNDING RECORD--Angie Iverson's career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record and Big Ten record of 23 set in 1984 by **Molly Tadich** against Northwestern and Wisconsin's **Theresa Huff** against Indiana in 1983. **Iverson's** 25 rebounds are also the highest rebound total in the nation this season.

IVERSON EVEN MORE DOMINATING OF LATE--After playing well the entire season, **Angie Iverson** has stepped it up another notch during her last four games. She has averaged 26 points and 14 rebounds against three of the top four teams in the conference. She is shooting almost 65 percent in her last four games and has accounted for 40 percent of the Gophers scoring and rebounding. She has three double-doubles and just missed a fourth by one rebound against Ohio State. She recorded a career-high 30 points against Illinois.

HOW LONG ARE THOSE ARMS?--Angie Iverson's 25 rebounds in a game would register in anyone's record books. If **Iverson** played for the NBA's Minnesota Timberwolves, she would hold the franchise record by five rebounds and she just missed the Minnesota men's record by three boards. A breakdown:

Minnesota women's record: Iverson, 25 (1996)

Minnesota men's record: Larry Mikan, 28 vs. Michigan (1970)

Minnesota Timberwolves record: 20, three times--last by Dean Garrett (1997)

IVERSON ON PACE TO ENTER SEASON TOP TEN IN REBOUNDING--With her 282 rebounds, **Angie Iverson** is on pace to enter the Minnesota season-record list for rebounds in a season. **Iverson** is on pace to pull down 341 rebounds, which would be the fourth-highest season mark ever recorded in Minnesota and Big Ten history. **Linda Roberts** holds the Minnesota season record with 387 boards, set in 1977-78 when the Gophers played 34 games and advanced to the AIAW Tournament, while Wisconsin's **Theresa Huff** holds the Big Ten record at 394 set in 1981-82.

IVERSON'S REBOUNDING AVERAGE RANKS THIRD IN MINNESOTA HISTORY--If the season ended today, **Angie Iverson's** 12.3 caroms a game would be the second-highest season rebounding average in Minnesota history. **Denise Erstad** pulled down 15.8 rebounds a contest in 1974-75.

IVERSON COULD ENTER CAREER TOP TEN IN REBOUNDING--If **Angie Iverson** remains on her current pace, she would finish the season with 640 career rebounds, ranking her 10th all-time with one season remaining. **Iverson** has 581 rebounds in 73 career games. **Linda Roberts** is the all-time career rebounding leader with 1,413 in 129 games.

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--Angie Iverson

has posted 15 double-doubles in 23 games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 16.8 points and 12.3 rebounds a game. **Iverson** now has 21 double-doubles in her career. **Iverson's** best totals were at Colorado State, where she ripped down a Minnesota and Big Ten record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and scored 16 points. **Iverson** also has double-doubles against Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14), Marquette (11-12), Fairfield (13-15), Michigan (17-17), Indiana (21-11), Illinois (22-14), Michigan State (24-12), Northwestern (19-14), Penn State (14-14), Michigan State (22-13), Illinois (30-18) and Purdue (25-12). She has also missed three other double-doubles by one point or rebound in 1996-97.

Last season, **Iverson** had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON RANKS NINTH IN BIG TEN IN SCORING--

Angie Iverson currently ranks ninth in the Big Ten in scoring in all games with 16.8 points and fourth in conference games at 19.2 points. **Michele Ratay** of Northwestern leads at 19.8, while **Keisha Anderson** of Wisconsin is right on her tail at 19.7. Penn State's **Angie Potthoff** (19.1), Purdue's **Jannon Roland** (18.9) and **Kristina Divjak** (18.4) round out the top five.

IVERSON SETS ANOTHER CAREER-HIGH IN SCORING AGAINST ILLINOIS--**Angie Iverson's** storybook season continued Sunday afternoon as she poured in a career-high 30 points on 11-of-23 shooting from the field. She beat her previous career-high of 29 one week earlier against Purdue. **Iverson's** 30 points was the highest point total for the Gophers since **Kay Schmidt** had 31 last season.

ALTHOUGH SHORT, IVERSON BIG IN THE MIDDLE--

On the season, **Angie Iverson** is averaging an impressive 12.3 rebounds on the boards. **Iverson** has led the Gophers in rebounding in 20 of 23 games this season and has not had double-figure rebounds in only four games this year (James Madison, Ohio State-twice and Wisconsin). The 6-foot **Iverson** has been, on the average, three inches shorter than the opponent guarding her this season. **Iverson** pulled down 18 rebounds against Illinois, which has three players above 6-2 in its lineup.

HANSEN STRUGGLES ON WEEKEND--Minnesota's second-leading scorer **Mindy Hansen** struggled last weekend going 3-for-21, including 0-for-11 at Michigan State. On the season, **Hansen** is still averaging in double-figures at 11.1 points a game.

Hansen has been in double figures in 15 of 23 games this season for the Gophers and has led the team in scoring six times.

Last year, **Hansen** averaged almost six points a game and had a career-high of 19 points versus Northern Iowa.

BURNS PERMANENTLY IN THE STARTING LINEUP--

Newcomer **Kiauna Burns** made her first career start as a Gopher against Nebraska and has become a fixture in the lineup by starting the next 11 games. Since joining the starting lineup,

Burns has averaged eight points and 39 minutes, including 42 minutes against Illinois. She has had five games in double-figure scoring during that time, including a career-high 13 points against Ohio State and Illinois.

BURNS RANKS IN TOP TEN FOR STEALS--

Kiauna Burns ranks seventh in the Big Ten in steals with 2.23 a game. Wisconsin's **Keisha Anderson** leads the Big Ten with 3.05 a game.

KLUN PLAYING SOLID--Sophomore **Sarah Klun**, who missed last season with a torn ACL, has made an impressive return to the floor. In her first game back she scored a career-best 18 points and played a career-high 37 minutes against Western Illinois.

Currently, she is fourth on the team in scoring at 8.3 points a game and has scored in double figures in 12 games this season. Against Indiana, **Klun** had 16 points and a career-high nine rebounds in 26 minutes of action. And against Penn State, she tied her career-high with 18 points in 38 minutes, the longest stint of her career.

Klun played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

HASS SPARKS OFF THE BENCH--Sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, has been a spark plug for Minnesota off the bench. **Hass** is third on the team in scoring with 8.9 points a game. **Hass** is third on the team behind **Angie Iverson** and **Andrea Seago** in shooting at 45 percent from the field.

She had a career-high 19 points against Illinois and followed that with 14 versus Michigan State.

Hass, who played in only 13 games as a first-year athlete because of a stress fracture, averaged only 1.4 points and two rebounds a game last year.

UP NEXT--Minnesota hits the road for its final regular season games against Michigan Friday, Feb. 21 and Iowa Sunday, Feb. 23. Game time Friday is 6:30 p.m., followed by a 2 p.m. start in Iowa.

Tennis

MINNESOTA HOSTS PURDUE AND ILLINOIS TO OPEN BIG TEN PLAY--#39 Minnesota, 3-0 overall, will open Big Ten action with matches against Purdue Friday and Illinois Sunday at the 98th Street Racquet Club. Match time Friday is 6:30 p.m., while Sunday's contest begins at 8 a.m.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--The Gophers are ranked #39 in the nation after a successful fall season in which they won 60 percent of their singles matches and half of their doubles contests. Couple that with a 3-0 dual meet start and the Gophers should move up in the polls.

Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)** went 10-1 in the fall, winning 10 straight matches and took over the #1 spot on the team. She is currently 3-0 in the spring and leads the Gophers with 13 victories. **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** is currently second in wins with 10, followed by **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** with nine.

LINEUP CHANGES--Minnesota has used three different lineups in its three matches this season, posting identical 6-1 wins in each match. **Nora Sauska, Alice Rangsithienchai** and **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** are the only Gophers to play in all three matches.

Minnesota's probable starting lineup

- #1 Nora Sauska
- #2 Alice Rangsithienchai
- #3 Jenni Svehla
- #4 Tarah Elkins
- #5 Jennifer Hayes
- #6 Jana Hrdinova

Doubles:

- #1 Sauska/Elkins
- #2 Svehla/Rangsithienchai
- #3 Hayes/Hrdinova

GOPHER REWIND--DRAKE--Minnesota cruised to a 6-1 victory over Drake at the 98th Street Racquet Club Friday night. The Gophers were led by **Nora Sauska**, who defeated **Marianne Motte**, 6-0, 6-1. Minnesota won five of six singles matches in straight sets with no player giving up more than seven games in the wins. Only **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)** lost for the Gophers, falling 6-2 in the third set at #3 singles.

DEPAUL--Minnesota improved to 3-0 on the season with a 6-1 drubbing of DePaul at the 98th Street Racquet Club. **Nora Sauska** continued her dominance at the #1 singles position with a 6-2, 6-0 win over **Nives Milosevic**. **Alice Rangsithienchai** defeated **Klara Salopek**, 6-2, 6-0 for her 10th win of the year. Other winners were **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAQUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)**, **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/CENTRAL BUCKS WEST)** and **Helen**

Wang.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 39th in the fall Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. **Nora Sauska** is the only Minnesota player ranked in the individual rankings. She is 46th in the nation after posting a 10-1 fall record and winning two singles titles and a doubles title.

DOUBLES UNDEFEATED--After struggling some in the fall, the Minnesota's doubles team are back on track. After rearranging the pairings for the spring, the Gophers are off to a perfect 9-0 start during the spring season. The #1 team of **Nora Sauska** and **Tarah Elkins** are 3-0 thus far, as are **Jana Hrdinova** and **JENNI-FER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)**

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS--**Nora Sauska** won her 13th match of the season against only one defeat. **Sauska** had won 10 matches in a row until falling at the Rolex Regional Qualifier in November.

RANGSITHIENCHAI BACK WITH A VENGEANCE--**Alice Rangsithienchai**, the 1996 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year, is playing strong for Gophers again this season. **Rangsithienchai** has won 10 matches this season, good for second on the team.

MINNESOTA WINS FOUR TITLES IN FALL--**Nora Sauska** and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON, WI)** combined to win Minnesota's four titles this fall. **Sauska** was the singles champion in Flight B at the Notre Dame Invitational and the A winner at the Wolfpack Invite, while **Sauska** teamed with **Hrdinova** to win the B doubles crown at Notre Dame. **Hrdinova** won her second doubles title over the weekend teaming with **Christy Delgado** of Iowa at the Indiana Regional Invitational.

UP NEXT--Minnesota travels to Iowa for a dual meet Sunday, Feb. 23. Match time is 10 a.m.

Swimming and Diving

HEGENER BIG TEN SWIMMER OF MONTH FOR JANUARY--Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)** was named the Big Ten Swimmer of the Month for January. During the month, **Hegener** was ranked third in nation in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:02.21) and sixth in nation in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:15.49). She beat the nation's second-ranked swimmer in the 200-yard breaststroke, **Sarah Krueger** of Wisconsin, at Quad Duals meet by 1.21 seconds. **Hegener** is undefeated this year in 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events with six victories in each event during January. She was also a member of seven winning 200-yard medley relay teams in January. In the Big Ten Conference, she is ranked second in the 100-yard breaststroke and third in the 200-yard breaststroke in Jan. 27 rankings. On Jan. 10, **Hegener** reset her Minnesota school record in the 200-yard breaststroke with time of 2:15.49 in a dual meet with Kansas, surpassing her previous record of 2:16.10.

MINNESOTA CHALLENGE LAST MEET BEFORE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The men's and women's swimming and diving teams host the Minnesota Challenge on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14-15. The three-session meet starts at 6 p.m. Friday, and 12 noon and 6 p.m. on Saturday. The unscored meet will have abbreviated teams from Carleton, Nebraska and Iowa State and possibly some USS swimmers. The Minnesota Challenge is the women's final meet before the 16th Annual Big Ten Conference Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, Feb. 20-22, at the IU Natatorium in Indianapolis.

GOPHERS END DUAL MEET SEASON UNDEFEATED

The eighth-ranked Minnesota women's swimming and diving team, 13-0 overall and 7-0 in the Big Ten, concluded its fourth undefeated dual meet season on Saturday with a 187-106 win over the Iowa Hawkeyes at the University Aquatic Center. Minnesota also went also undefeated during the 1994-95 (10-0, 5-0), 1976-77 (10-0, 1-0) and 1974-75 (1-0) seasons.

Against Iowa, Minnesota won 15 of the 16 events, with one swimmer winning more than one event. Senior **KIMBERLY WILSON (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)** was first in the 1,000-yard freestyle at 10:07.31 and the 200-yard backstroke at 2:05.96. Other event winners were:

Senior DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)	
100-yard breaststroke	1:06.19
200-yard medley relay	1:49.39
Senior ALICIA HICKEN (CAMPBELLVILLE, ONT., CANADA/SILVERTHORN)	
200-yard freestyle	1:53.70
Sophomore BETH SHIMANSKI (HUTCHINSON, MN)	
100-yard backstroke	58.34
Senior JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN)	
200-yard butterfly	2:04.15
Frosh JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)	
200-yard individual medley	2:07.72
Senior CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)	
3-meter diving	281.63
Senior ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)	
1-meter diving	266.33
Senior SUZIE HELVIG (MANDAN, ND)	
100-yard freestyle	53.16
Frosh KATE McMILLAN (PALATINE, IL)	
200-yard breaststroke	2:24.43
Junior OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)	
500-yard freestyle	4:55.23
Senior CARRIE RAETH (KALISPELL, MT/FLATHEAD)	
100-yard butterfly	58.56
Junior GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)	
200-yard medley relay	1:49.39
50-yard freestyle	24.60
Junior SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ONTARIO, CANADA/SILVERTHORN)	
200-yard medley relay	1:49.39
Senior STEFANIE BRADFORD (OWATONNA, MN)	
200-yard medley relay	1:49.39

Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota will host the Minnesota Open on Saturday, Feb. 15 at the University Fieldhouse. The meet will begin at 11 a.m. and will serve as a tuneup for the Big Ten Championships, held February 22-23. Teams competing are Augsburg, Bethel, Concordia-St. Paul, Gustavus Adolphus, Hamline, Macalaster, Minnesota, North Park College, South Dakota, St. Benedict, St. Catherine, St. Olaf, St. Thomas and UW-Superior.

GOPHER REWIND — FOUR SCHOOL RECORDS SET — **CHANTEAU WHITE (ALLEN, TX/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE)** continued her excellent indoor season by breaking two school records at the Iowa State Classic in Ames, Iowa, on Saturday. **White's** 19-11 1/2 in the long jump and :07.68 in the 60-meter dash were both new school records. Frosh **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KATEDRALSKOLE)** broke the school record in the triple jump. Her mark of 41-3 3/4 was 1/4 inch better than the previous record held by current volunteer coach **Lori Hardrick**. **YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON)** set a school record in the 400 meter dash with a time of :56.71.

PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS— **Chanteau White's** long jump mark provisionally qualified her for the NCAA Championships. Earlier this season, she also qualified in the 55-meter dash. **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** provisionally qualified in the shot put for the second time this season. Other previous qualifiers: frosh **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN (MAASBRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDYLE)** in the 3000-meter dash and sophomore **TINA MCDONALD (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST)** in the shot put.

MINNESOTA'S ALL-TIME INDOOR TOP TEN LIST — **Chanteau White**, who has competed in just two meets as a Gopher, ranks in the top ten of four all-time lists. **White** holds school records in the 55-meter dash, 60-meter dash and the long jump. She also holds fifth place in the 55-meter hurdles. **Yvette White** also ranks on three lists: first in the 400-meter dash, eighth in the 55-meter hurdles and eighth in the 200-meter dash. **APASHA BLOCKER (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT)** is the school record holder in the pentathlon and also ranks ninth all-time in the triple jump and 10th in the high jump. **Christine Gulbrandsen** holds the top spot in the triple jump. **Kimberly Heath** ranks first in the 200-meter dash and second in the 55-meter dash. In the shot put, **Dani Parkos** holds the third spot while **Tina McDonald** is seventh. **Natalie Smith** ranks fourth in the triple jump and third in the long jump. The 4 x 400-meter relay team of **Shellie Braggs**, **Yvette White**, **KAY FULLER (VERNDALE, MN/VERNDALE)** and **ALISA GARTNER (BUFFALO, MN/BUFFALO)** ranks fifth all-time. **Daphne Panhuysen** ranks sixth all-time in the 3000 meter run. **ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)** is eighth in the 5000-meter run. **Shellie Braggs** is eighth in the 400-meter dash and 10th in the 200-meter dash.

Softball

SOFTBALL TEAM OPENS '97 SEASON IN TEXAS — The University of Minnesota softball team opens its 1997 season with single games against Tennessee and Texas-Arlington on Thursday, Feb. 13, at the 4th Annual Pepsi / UT-Arlington Intercollegiate Classic, Friday-Sunday, Feb. 14-16, in Arlington, Tex.

GOPHERS RANKED 20TH — The Gophers enter the season with a #20 ranking in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Preseason Poll. Defending national champion Arizona holds the #1 rank to start the season.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — Minnesota looks to improve on its 44-18 record from a year ago and has the talent and depth to do so. Two all-Americans, first-teamer **Rachel Nelson** and second-teamer **Amber Hegland**, highlight the group of 16 returning letterwinners from a squad which finished second in the Big Ten with a 17-6 mark.

1997 MINNESOTA ROSTER —

1	Rachel Nelson	OF	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
2	Steph Midthun	OF/IF	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
3	Dana Ballard	1B	R/R	Fr.	Oak Park, IL
5	Shannon Beeler	SS	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
6	Renee Sbrocco	OF/C	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)
7	Steph Klaviter	P	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
9	Amber Hegland	IF/OF	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
11	Jennifer Bauer	P/1B	R/R	Sr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
12	Laura Peters	IF	L/R	Jr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
14	Ann Bartholmey	C	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
16	Lara Severson	C	R/R	So.	LeSueur, MN (LeSueur)
17	Tracy Carey	IF	R/R	Jr.	Richfield, MN (Nebraska-Omaha)
18	Wendy Logue	P/1B	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
19	Erin Brophy	IF	R/R	So.	Crystal, MN (Robbinsdale)
20	Jennifer Fox	OF	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
21	Jodi Halvorson	IF	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
22	Chantell Jernell	UT	R/R	Jr.	Minnetonka, MN (Hopkins)
23	Jennifer Johnson	P	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)
24	Michelle Bennett	IF/C	R/R	Fr.	Hermantown, MN (Hermantown)
25	Aubree Espinosa	C	R/R	Fr.	Rio Rancho, NM
41	Shannon Hansmann	OF	R/R	So.	Richfield, MN (Oklahoma State)
44	Kate Schwartz	OF/IF	R/R	Fr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)

Head Coach: Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien
Associate Head Coach: Julie Standerling
Assistant Coach: Jennifer McGuinness

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
C 14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B 17	Tracy Carey	R/R	Jr.	Richfield, MN (Nebraska-Omaha)
2B 9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
3B 21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
SS 5	Shannon Beeler	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF 2	Steph Midthun	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF 1	Rachel Nelson	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
RF 6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
11	Jennifer Bauer	R/R	Sr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN — Minnesota head coach **Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien** enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 155-142-1 (.522). **Bernstein-O'Brien** owns a Big Ten record of 68-64 (.515) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach **Julie Standerling** is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while **Jennifer McGuinness** is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

THE MINNESOTA OUTLOOK FOR '97 — Where there's smoke, there's fire.

That smoke may be a sign of a smoldering ember ready to kindle flames of fire with the slightest breath of wind.

The University of Minnesota softball team is a smoldering group, just waiting for the winds of spring to ignite the excitement of a much-anticipated 1997 season. A season of promise, of high expectations and of dreams to be fulfilled.

"Dreams are much more important than goals," said Golden Gopher head coach **Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien**. "Dreams are inside of you, pushing you every single day. To me, goals are so finite and definite, that if you don't reach them you consider it a failure.

"It's our dream to win the Big Ten title, receive a post-season bid and advance to the College World Series."

It's a tall order, but it's a dream that **Bernstein-O'Brien's** squad is ready to pursue. The 1997 Gophers are a talented, deep and experienced team. Coming off a 44-18 season, a second-place finish in the Big Ten and an NCAA Tournament appearance, it's a confident **Bernstein-O'Brien** who expects big things from her team in '97. "This team expects to win. The younger players know nothing but winning and the older, more experienced players know what it takes to win. That's an excellent combination."

It's the return of a pair of all-Americans which highlights the 1997 Golden Gopher roster.

First team all-American outfielder **Rachel Nelson** enters her senior campaign as already the most decorated softball athlete in Minnesota history. **Nelson** does it all for the Gophers and as **Bernstein-O'Brien** notes, "we often go where Rachel takes us."

Junior **Amber Hegland** emerged a year ago contributing one of the finest all-around seasons in Gopher softball history and earned second team all-America recognition for her efforts.

With **Nelson** and **Hegland** providing definite firepower to the lineup, it's the vast experience surrounding the all-Americans which contribute a lasting fuel supply for the Gopher softball team.

In all, Minnesota returns 16 players from the 1996 squad. Competition for playing time is fierce, only helping this Gopher team prepare itself for what many believe could be a record-breaking season.

The Pitching Staff

Ask **Bernstein-O'Brien** what element of the game will carry a talented Gopher team to the next level and without hesitation she'll point to her pitching staff.

"If you are strong in the circle, you're going to have a pretty good year. Our pitchers are tough, mentally and physically. They believe in a process combining pitching with weight-training and conditioning, thus becoming pitchers, not just throwers. I'm excited about this group. They go out there and get the job done."

Sophomore **Steph Klaviter** looks to improve on a sensational first year of collegiate softball where she posted a 25-5 record and earned all-region and all-Big Ten second team honors a year ago. **Klaviter**, standing 6-3, is an intimidating figure on the mound, even more so with a fastball exceeding 65 miles per hour.

The experienced veteran of the staff is senior **Jennifer Johnson**. A crafty, yet powerful pitcher, **Johnson** owns a devastating riseball, as well as an excellent curveball. She sat 186 batters down with strikeouts in '96, setting a Minnesota single-season record and ranking 12th in the nation in the process.

Wendy Logue will see plenty of action on the mound, but as one of the best all-around players on the Minnesota roster, expect for **Bernstein-O'Brien** to find a spot in the lineup for **Logue** when she's not pitching. **Logue**, a second team all-Big Ten selection in '96, loves the challenge of the big game. She has command of all pitches and hits her spots extremely well.

Jenny Bauer and **Hillary Johnson** fill out the Gopher pitching staff heading into 1997. **Bauer** is a hard thrower with a great changeup, and with improved consistency should earn playing time this spring. **Johnson** is expected to redshirt this season but has shown vast improvement in responding to the Gophers' training regime.

The Infield

An experienced and solid infield backs the Gopher pitching corps. Stiff competition for playing time will not only make the Gophers stronger at each position but will prepare them well for the long season ahead.

What better place to start a look at the Gopher infield than behind the plate and the catcher position. Senior **Ann Bartholmey** is the anchor of the Gopher defense. "Ann is as solid defensively as they come," said **Bernstein-O'Brien**. "She has an arm, an attitude and a poise about her that makes her an exceptional catcher."

The backup players to **Bartholmey** at catcher each will serve the team in other capacities. Starting outfielder **Renee Sbrocco** could move to catcher if called upon. Perhaps the best all-around athlete of the team, **Lara Severson** is a dangerous baserunner. And **Aubree Espinosa**, a first-year player, could see some opportunities as a pinch hitter.

A pair of newcomers are engaged in a battle for the starting nod at first base. **Tracy Carey**, a two-time NCAA Division II all-American, brings a big bat to the lineup. First-year player **Dana Ballard** has excellent offensive skills and is improving daily on defense.

Perhaps the biggest move of the offseason was at second base where all-American **Amber Hegland** returned to the infield after a sensational sophomore season in left field. **Hegland** displays the take-charge attitude that **Bernstein-O'Brien** loves to see in her players. "Amber can do so many things for us," said **Bernstein-O'Brien**. "She's a leader and a go-to player. She's an excellent hitter, able hit for power and to all fields or lay down the bunt. Defensively, she knows and understands the game so well. There's really nothing she can't do."

Hegland's stats are supporting evidence to the superlatives awarded her by her coaches. She led the team and the Big Ten with a .438 batting average a year ago, the second-best single-season mark in Minnesota history. A power hitter in the Gopher batting order, **Hegland** bettered school records for doubles with 24 and total bases with 130. In compiling an impressive .677 slugging percentage, 33 of her 84 hits went for extra bases. After just two years in the program, the '96 Gopher MVP has made a serious dent in the Minnesota record books. Her .391 career batting average and 93 runs batted in rank second all-time.

Laura Peters started 61 games for the Gophers at second base last season and returns to add experience and strength to the roster at that position. **Peters** is a gifted switch hitter able to effectively utilize the drag bunt.

The position of shortstop is securely in the capable hands of sophomore **Shannon Beeler**. "Offensively and defensively, you couldn't have found a better first-year player in the Big Ten last season," said **Bernstein-O'Brien**. **Beeler** set a Minnesota record with 62 RBI and stroked a team-high 10 home runs while batting .348.

Returning starter **Jodi Halvorson** holds down the starting position at third base. Look for **Halvorson** to increase her leadership, especially strategically, on the field while continuing her stellar defensive play at the hot corner.

The Outfield

The Minnesota outfield is a talent-laden group led by the presence of two-time all-American **Rachel Nelson**.

"Rachel is the catalyst on this team," said **Bernstein-O'Brien**. "We often go where Rachel takes us. Obviously as a first team all-American, it goes without saying that she's an excellent ballplayer."

Nelson is a model of consistency. She has started 160 consecutive games and owns the Minnesota career record for runs scored with 130. During her banner season of '96, the Gopher centerfielder and leadoff batter set single-season records with 65 runs scored and 84 hits. Her .388 career batting average is the third-highest in Minnesota softball history.

The Gophers' rightfielder **Renee Sbrocco** is another fixture of the Minnesota defense. A student of the game, **Sbrocco** is relentless in her style of play and her expectations to succeed.

Sophomore **Steph Midthun** has emerged as the Gophers' leftfielder of the future, allowing **Bernstein-O'Brien** the luxury of moving all-American **Amber Hegland** to second base. **Midthun** possesses a rifle arm and plenty of speed enabling her to not only be a force on defense but on the basepaths as well.

Jennifer Fox, Shannon Hansmann and Kate Schwartz could also step into the lineup for the Gophers. Fox owns one of the prettiest swings in college softball and will likely see her biggest impact coming from a designated player role.

The 1997 Minnesota Gopher softball team. It's a team with an excellent mix of skilled experience and talented youth. It's a squad upon which high expectations have been placed, though not any higher expectations than they've placed on themselves. They are a Gopher squad with a dream, a lofty dream of winning championships.

Most of all, this gathering of talented Gophers has a vision. It may be just smoke now but with the first pitch of the first game, a fire will ignite. Come the month of May, it's a fire coach **Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien** and her Gophers hope will burn forever.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

TENNESSEE — The Lady Volunteers will open their season against the Gophers. Tennessee received votes in the NFCA Preseason Coaches Poll after completing the 1996 season with a 54-14 record. Head coach **Jim Beitia** is in his second season with the Vols and owns a career coaching record of 152-55 over three years. The game marks the first meeting between Tennessee and Minnesota.

TEXAS-ARLINGTON — The Mavericks will also initiate their '97 campaign against Minnesota. First-year head coach **Debbie Hedrick** takes over the Maverick program, which finished the '96 season with a 24-30 record. The Gophers lead the series with Texas-Arlington by a 5-3 count, with three of the Minnesota wins coming last season.

THIS WEEK'S TOURNAMENT — The 22-team field in this week's Pepsi / UT-Arlington Intercollegiate Classic includes three nationally-ranked teams: Oklahoma, Oklahoma State and Minnesota. The tourney field is split into six pools of four or five teams with championship and consolation bracket position determined after pool play. Minnesota is grouped with Missouri, Baylor and Kentucky. The Gophers will play the following schedule:

Friday, Feb. 14	11:15 a.m.	Minnesota vs. Baylor
	3:45 p.m.	Minnesota vs. Missouri
Saturday, Feb. 15	9:00 a.m.	Minnesota vs. Kentucky

Minnesota leads the series with Baylor, 1-0, but that game took place in 1979 when both teams were associated with the AIAW. Missouri holds a 7-3 lead in the series with Minnesota. Softball begins its first season at Kentucky so obviously this is the first meeting of the series in that matchup.

USA TODAY / NFCA PRESEASON COACHES POLL

Rank	School	'96 Record	Points
1.	Arizona	58-9	619
2.	UCLA	47-11	600
3.	Fresno State	51-11	555
4.	Washington	59-9	504

5.	Michigan	51-14	486
6.	Iowa	49-19	441
7.	Southwestern Louisiana	46-10	424
8.	California	41-23	419
9.	South Carolina	38-13	413
10.	Oklahoma	50-20	354
11.	Oklahoma State	37-20	320
12.	Cal State Fullerton	41-28	314
13.	UNLV	36-23	307
14.	Long Beach State	37-22	287
15.	Cal State Northridge	43-16	272
16.	South Florida	41-12	267
17.	Florida State	52-21	229
18.	Princeton	47-8-1	220
19.	Nebraska	42-23	213
20.	MINNESOTA	44-18	197
21.	Notre Dame	48-16	102
22.	Hawaii	36-25	87
23.	Massachusetts	38-15-1	79
24.	Connecticut	36-22	62
25.	Arizona State	34-27	51

Receiving Votes: DePaul (40), Missouri (39), Texas A&M (39), Utah (35), Illinois State (21), Illinois-Chicago (16), Central Michigan (15), Kansas (15), Tennessee (11), Oregon State (10), Indiana (9), Nicholls State (9), Hofstra (7), Colorado State (6), Northern Illinois (6), Southwest Missouri State (6), Cal Poly SLO (5), Cal State Sacramento (5), Florida (5), Arkansas (2), Boston U. (1).

UP NEXT — The Gophers travel to the southeast to play North Carolina on Thursday, Feb. 20, before participating in the Triangle Classic, on Feb. 21-22, in Raleigh, N.C. Minnesota will play Maryland, Robert Morris and East Carolina in pool play.

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 5-2 Dual: 2-2 Invites: 3-0 Home: 4-0 Away: 1-2 Big Ten: 0-1 Top 25: 1-2

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah										
2/22--at UMass										
3/1--Ohio State										
Illinois										
3/9--at Missouri										
3/14--Iowa State										
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										

Raw Average: 192.815

Regional Qual. Score*:

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Stacey Batza	9.800	at Iowa State (2/8/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.825	at Michigan (1/18/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.850	at Iowa State (2/8/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Mindy Knaeble	9.925*	at Michigan (1/18/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	38.875	at Utah State (1/31/97)
TEAM VAULT		48.750	at Iowa State (2/8/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		48.625	at Iowa State (2/8/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		48.150	at Utah State (1/31/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.200	Best of Minnesota (1/11/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		193.700	at Iowa State (2/8/97)

*-school record

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.800	9.675				9.750					9.750	9.775	9.700	
Season Average	9.700	9.540				9.685					9.575	9.620	9.535	
Career Best	9.825	9.675		9.725		9.825		8.250		9.125	9.750	9.900	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.618	9.540		9.488		9.648		8.250		9.038	9.575	9.638	9.445	9.119
BARS														
Season Best		9.825	8.050		9.700		9.600			9.700			9.700	9.800
Season Average		9.635	8.050		9.280		9.506			9.600			9.610	9.255
Career Best	9.575	9.825	8.050		9.900	9.800	9.600			9.775		9.500	9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.635	8.050		9.532	9.323	9.506			9.329		9.381	9.540	9.512
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.675			9.750	9.850	8.950	9.550		9.775				
Season Average	9.350	9.510			9.520	9.650	8.950	9.331		9.590				
Career Best	9.825	9.675		9.725	9.925	9.900	8.950	9.775		9.825		9.775		
Career Average	9.415	9.510		9.375	9.563	9.638	8.950	9.375		9.542		9.129		
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.850		9.875		9.925		9.800				9.750		9.875
Season Average		9.805		9.715		9.885		9.530				9.640		9.850
Career Best	9.600	9.850		9.875	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.875
Career Average	9.421	9.805		9.681	9.423	9.701		9.424		9.396		9.633		9.624
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		38.875												
Season Average		38.490												
Career Best	38.275	38.875				39.075				37.900		38.375		
Career Average	37.486	38.490				38.404				37.575		37.833		

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 23 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/-- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	23/ 23	130/ 274	.475	2/ 9	.222	124/ 167	.743	386	16.8	118	164	282	12.3	70/ 1	34	70	10	26	748		
Mindy Hansen	23/ 15	103/ 293	.352	11/ 61	.180	39/ 65	.600	256	11.1	26	68	94	4.1	46/ 1	72	112	9	38	734		
Lynda Hass	21/ 1	68/ 166	.410	15/ 58	.259	36/ 50	.720	187	8.9	36	39	75	3.6	36/ 1	26	44	2	16	476		
Sarah Klun	23/ 23	75/ 187	.401	2/ 10	.200	39/ 43	.907	191	8.3	36	56	92	4.0	66/ 3	31	70	2	19	564		
Kiauna Burns	23/ 11	58/ 151	.384	6/ 36	.167	34/ 68	.500	156	6.8	16	39	55	2.4	55/ 2	64	108	3	51	707		
Sonja Robinson	23/ 20	53/ 152	.349	0/ 3	.000	31/ 47	.660	137	6.0	37	57	94	4.1	56/ 1	37	58	11	21	596		
Jaime Ellis	22/ 22	31/ 90	.345	11/ 49	.225	10/ 13	.769	83	3.8	5	18	23	1.1	29/ 0	44	58	2	14	427		
Andrea Seago	23/ 0	28/ 64	.438	0/ 0	.000	10/ 13	.769	66	2.9	12	40	52	2.3	39/ 0	7	16	8	1	305		
Si Nonginthirath	3/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	1.3	0	1	1	.3	2/ 0	0	6	0	1	12		
Margaret Blom	4/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	1	1	.3	4/ 0	0	2	1	1	26		
Teresa O'Hearn	6/ 0	0/ 1	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	.2	0/ 0	0	2	0	0	16		
StephanieStromm	3/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	2	3	1.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	14		
Team Rebounds													142								
Golden Gophers	23/ 23	548/1383	.396	47/ 228	.206	323/ 466	.693	1466	63.7	288	485	915	39.8	403/ 9	315	546	48	190	--		
Team Rebounds													107								
Opponent Totals	23/ 23	683/1598	.427	95/ 333	.285	307/ 452	.679	1768	76.9	386	520	1013	44.0	423/ 7	401	446	97	315	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	5.7	11.9	.1	.4	5.4	7.3	16.8	12.3	1.5	3.0	.4	1.1	32.5
Mindy Hansen	4.5	12.7	.5	2.7	1.7	2.8	11.1	4.1	3.1	4.9	.4	1.7	31.9
Lynda Hass	3.2	7.9	.7	2.8	1.7	2.4	8.9	3.6	1.2	2.1	.0	.8	22.7
Sarah Klun	3.3	8.1	.1	.4	1.7	1.9	8.3	4.0	1.4	3.0	.1	.8	24.5
Kiauna Burns	2.5	6.6	.3	1.6	1.5	3.0	6.8	2.4	2.8	4.7	.1	2.2	30.7
Sonja Robinson	2.3	6.6	.0	.1	1.4	2.0	6.0	4.1	1.6	2.5	.5	.9	25.9
Jaime Ellis	1.4	4.1	.5	2.2	.5	.6	3.8	1.1	2.0	2.6	.1	.6	19.4
Andrea Seago	1.2	2.8	.0	.0	.4	.6	2.9	2.3	.3	.7	.4	.0	13.3
Si Nonginthirath	.7	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.3	.3	.0	2.0	.0	.3	4.0
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.3	.0	.5	.3	.3	6.5
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.2	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.2	.0	.3	.0	.0	2.7
StephanieStrommen	.0	.7	.0	.7	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.7	4.7
Golden Gophers	23.8	60.1	2.0	9.9	14.0	20.3	63.7	39.8	13.7	23.7	2.1	8.3	----
Opponent Totals	29.7	69.5	4.1	14.5	13.4	19.7	76.9	44.0	17.4	19.4	4.2	13.7	----

BIG TEN STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 13 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	13/ 13	88/ 178	.494	2/ 8	.250	72/ 93	.774	250	19.2	63	90	153	11.8	40/ 1	22	36	7	20	440		
Mindy Hansen	13/ 5	54/ 153	.353	4/ 32	.125	21/ 31	.677	133	10.2	14	31	45	3.5	31/ 0	41	56	5	22	398		
Lynda Hass	13/ 1	46/ 117	.393	11/ 47	.234	21/ 26	.808	124	9.5	18	26	44	3.4	24/ 0	20	30	0	10	324		
Sarah Klun	13/ 13	42/ 99	.424	2/ 7	.286	16/ 19	.842	102	7.9	22	37	59	4.5	36/ 1	15	44	1	5	308		
Kiauna Burns	13/ 10	35/ 89	.393	2/ 18	.111	23/ 39	.590	95	7.3	9	22	31	2.4	34/ 0	39	66	1	28	443		
Sonja Robinson	13/ 10	27/ 73	.370	0/ 1	.000	12/ 18	.667	66	5.1	16	21	37	2.9	34/ 0	20	29	6	12	312		
Andrea Seago	13/ 0	15/ 39	.385	0/ 0	.000	5/ 6	.833	35	2.7	6	22	28	2.2	26/ 0	4	5	1	1	173		
Jaime Ellis	13/ 13	15/ 40	.375	3/ 13	.231	1/ 2	.500	34	2.6	4	9	13	1.0	10/ 0	12	31	0	6	176		
Si Nonginthirath	2/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	2.0	0	1	1	.5	2/ 0	0	6	0	1	11		
Margaret Blom	3/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	4/ 0	0	2	1	1	15		
Teresa O'Hearn	5/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0	11		
StephanieStromm	3/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	2	3	1.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	14		
Team Rebounds													73								
Golden Gophers	13/ 13	324/ 793	.409	24/ 128	.188	171/ 234	.731	843	64.9	153	261	487	37.5	241/ 2	173	305	22	108	--		
Team Rebounds													66								
Opponent Totals	13/ 13	410/ 919	.446	49/ 189	.259	191/ 270	.707	1060	81.5	220	291	577	44.4	222/ 2	246	238	56	180	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	6.8	13.7	.2	.6	5.5	7.2	19.2	11.8	1.7	2.8	.5	1.5	33.9
Mindy Hansen	4.2	11.8	.3	2.5	1.6	2.4	10.2	3.5	3.2	4.3	.4	1.7	30.6
Lynda Hass	3.5	9.0	.9	3.6	1.6	2.0	9.5	3.4	1.5	2.3	.0	.8	24.9
Sarah Klun	3.2	7.6	.2	.5	1.2	1.5	7.9	4.5	1.2	3.4	.1	.4	23.7
Kiauna Burns	2.7	6.9	.2	1.4	1.8	3.0	7.3	2.4	3.0	5.1	.1	2.2	34.1
Sonja Robinson	2.1	5.6	.0	.1	.9	1.4	5.1	2.9	1.5	2.2	.5	.9	24.0
Andrea Seago	1.2	3.0	.0	.0	.4	.5	2.7	2.2	.3	.4	.1	.1	13.3
Jaime Ellis	1.2	3.1	.2	1.0	.1	.2	2.6	1.0	.9	2.4	.0	.5	13.5
Si Nonginthirath	1.0	1.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	2.0	.5	.0	3.0	.0	.5	5.5
Margaret Blom	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.7	.3	.3	5.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	2.2
StephanieStrommen	.0	.7	.0	.7	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.7	4.7
Golden Gophers	24.9	61.0	1.9	9.9	13.2	18.0	64.9	37.5	13.3	23.5	1.7	8.3	----
Opponent Totals	31.5	70.7	3.8	14.5	14.7	20.8	81.5	44.4	18.9	18.3	4.3	13.9	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	688	767	11	0	1466	58
Opponent Totals	832	921	15	0	1768	52

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	3-20	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	41811	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	1818
Big Ten	1-12	HOME	13528	HOME AVERAGE	1230
Dial Soap Classic	1-1	AWAY	28283	AWAY AVERAGE	2357
UNLV Classic	1-1				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61-70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69-73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	Wyoming	68-66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	James Madison	56-64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60-78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62-75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63-66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	Stephen F. Austin	63-80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	12/20	Fairfield	74-68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48-61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63-82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61-67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47-68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	01/10	*Illinois	85-89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	01/12	*Michigan State	65-76	L H	1288 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7
16	01/17	*Ohio State	61-84	L A	3835 Hansen, 18	Klun, 6	Jones, 25	Jones, 9
17	01/19	*Northwestern	84-91	L H	2122 Hansen, 24	Iverson, 14	Chawansky, 27	Ratay, 8
18	01/24	*Penn State	62-83	L A	5646 Klun, 18	Iverson, 14	Potthoff, 20	Garner, 9
19	01/26	*#13 Wisconsin	57-84	L A	7260 Hass, 16	Klun, 7	Klapp, Wiersma, 17	Wiersma, 9
20	01/31	*Purdue	64-82	L H	1077 Iverson, 28	Iverson, 12	Roland, 27	Yasen, 7
21	02/02	*Ohio State	66-64	W H	1403 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 9	Moua, 13	Jones, 11
22	02/07	*Michigan State	51-102	L A	3788 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 13	Engen, 22	Rasmussen, 11
23	02/09	*#25 Illinois	76-95	L A	3235 Iverson, 30	Iverson, 18	Berggren, 20	Vasey, 13

* Big Ten ! Dial Soap Classic @ UNLV Classic

University of Minnesota 1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 13-0 Big Ten: 7-0 Invitationals: 2-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State	W	#9	178-117
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Wisconsin	W	#9	243-105
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue	W	#9	243-107
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois	W	#9	219-130
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa	W	#8	187-106
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge			
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)

Jenny Hennen	23.67 •
Amy Cottrill	23.95
Terri Jashinsky	24.34
Devon Coellner	24.34
Heather Miller	24.53

100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)

Jenny Hennen	51.28 •
Amy Cottrill	51.80
Terri Jashinsky	52.49
Devon Coellner	53.05
Olga Splichalova	53.11

200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)

Jenny Hennen	1:50.11 •
Olga Splichalova	1:50.19 •
Terri Jashinsky	1:52.98
Alicia Hicken	1:53.56
Amy Cottrill	1:54.66

500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)

Olga Splichalova	4:50.45 •
Kimberly Wilson	4:56.98
Jenny Hennen	4:58.75
Alicia Hicken	4:59.68
Jessica Grass	5:01.59

1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68S)

Olga Splichalova	9:50.10
Kimberly Wilson	10:02.04
Alicia Hicken	10:14.87
Jessica Grass	10:19.90
Jenny Hennen	10:21.44

1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)

Olga Splichalova	16:27.68 •
Kimberly Wilson	16:46.66 •
Alicia Hicken	17:06.47
Marta Knowles	17:47.14
Elizabeth Weld	18:08.52

100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)

Shona Baillie	58.07
Beth Shimanski	58.17
Carrie Raeth	1:00.30
Marta Knowles	1:00.38
Amy Cottrill	1:01.63

200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)

Marta Knowles	2:05.11
Kimberly Wilson	2:05.96
Beth Shimanski	2:09.21
Amy Cottrill	2:10.13
Alicia Hicken	2:12.12

100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)

Gretchen Hegener	1:02.21 #
Devon Coellner	1:05.66
Kate McMillan	1:06.01
Michelle Fischer	1:07.58
Katie Olson	1:08.18

200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:15.49)

Gretchen Hegener	2:15.49 *•
Kate McMillan	2:22.33
Devon Coellner	2:23.22
Michelle Fischer	2:24.19
Jessica Grass	2:25.94

100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)

Tanya Schuh	54.86 #
Terry Jashinsky	56.31 •
Jenny Hennen	57.92
Carrie Raeth	58.56
Jessica Grass	58.94

200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)

Jessica Grass	2:02.73 •
Terri Jashinsky	2:03.05 •
Jenny Hennen	2:04.25
Tanya Schuh	2:05.33
Kimberly Wilson	2:07.64

200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)

Jenny Hennen	2:06.46
Jessica Grass	2:07.38
Devon Coellner	2:08.44
Terri Jashinsky	2:08.72
Marta Knowles	2:11.65

400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)

Olga Splichalova	4:21.91 •
Jessica Grass	4:22.52 •
Marta Knowles	4:30.41
Kimberly Wilson	4:30.66

200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)

1:35.14 - Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen

400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)

3:28.42 - Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill, Suzie Helvig, Jenny Hennen

800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)

7:29.05 - Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Olga Splichalova

200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)

1:43.18 - Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)

3:46.10 - Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)

Carrie Hansen	272.40 %
Andrea Berg	268.90 %
Jenny Cook	253.73 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	233.25
Andrea Wheeler	173.95

1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)

Andrea Berg	428.75 %
Carrie Hansen	430.15 %
Jenny Cook	351.35
Shelby Evadine Miller	325.70
Andrea Wheeler	213.10

3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)

Carrie Hansen	291.40 %
Andrea Berg	283.65 %
Jenny Cook	272.63 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	254.55
Andrea Wheeler	188.70

3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)

Andrea Berg	487.10 %
Carrie Hansen	450.45 %
Jenny Cook	430.90 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	375.45
Andrea Wheeler	280.10

Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)

Carrie Hansen	325.35 %
Jenny Cook	287.10
Andrea Wheeler	264.25

Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time

•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			0-1	2-0			6-4		8-5	.615
Jennifer Hayes					0-1		0-6		0-7	.000
Jana Hrdinova				1-0	1-0		6-4		8-4	.666
Alice Rangsitienchai		3-0					7-3		10-3	.769
Nora Sauska	3-0						10-1		13-1	.929
Kim Simonsen					1-0	1-0	6-4		8-4	.666
Jenni Svehla			1-1				5-6		6-7	.461
Helen Wang						2-0	7-4		9-4	.692
Totals							47-31		64-34	.653

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-3		4-3	.667
Hayes/Rangsitienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	3-0					3-0	1.000
Svehla/ Rangsitienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes			3-0			3-0	1.000
Rangsitienchai/Simonsen		1-0				1-0	1.000
				13-13		22-13	.625

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

55 Meters

1. Chanteau White (c) (finals) *, ***	:06.97
2. Chanteau White (c) (trials)	:07.06
3. Chanteau White (a) (finals)	:07.21
Chanteau White (a) (trials)	:07.21

200 meters

1. Yvette White (c)	:25.76
2. Shellie Braggs (c)	:25.93
3. Kim Heath (e)	:26.33

400 meters

1. Yvette White (e) *	:56.71
2. Shellie Braggs (e)	:58.49
3. Alisa Gartner	1:00.14

600 meters

1. Alissa Bruss (c)	1:43.21
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800 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (c)	2:19.88
2. Minna Haronoja (e)	2:21.15
3. Carrie Daniel (e)	2:21.85

Mile

1. Andrea Lentz (e)	5:01.52
2. Andrea Lentz (c)	5:03.52
2. Karen Kleindl (e)	5:07.93

3000 meters

1. Daphne Panhuysen (a) **, ***	9:46.80
2. Daphne Panhuysen (e)	9:47.13
3. Daphne Panhuysen (c)	9:48.28

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (e)	17:11.60
2. Kari Thompson (e)	17:26.60
3. Kari Thompson (c)	17:28.27

55 meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (c)	:08.20
2. Chanteau White (c)	:08.49
3. Chanteau White (a)	:08.20

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Braggs, Y. White, Fuller, Gartner (e)	3:53.79
2. Smith, Braggs, Fuller, Y. White (a)	4:06.41

Distance Medley Relay

1. Minnesota (c)	12:31.35
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High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (e)	5-4 1/2
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Long Jump

1. Chanteau White (e) *, ***	19-11 1/2
2. Natalie Smith (e) **	19-3
3. Natalie Smith (d)	18-8
Chanteau White (c)	18-8

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (e) *, ***	41-3 3/4
2. Christine Gulbrandsen (b) **	41-0 1/2
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (a)	40-11

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (e) ***	48-7 1/2
2. Dani Parkos (d) ***	47-9
3. Tina McDonald (d) ***	47-7 3/4

Pentathlon

* Minnesota record

** Frosh record

*** NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, WI)

(c) Minnesota Invitational (Minneapolis, MN)

(d) Mercantile Bank Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)

HOME MEETS at the University Fieldhouse



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Catch what you've been missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, February 20

SB at North Carolina 2:30 p.m.
(Chapel Hill, NC)
SW at Big Ten Championships
(Indianapolis, IN)

Friday, February 21

BKB at Michigan 6:30 p.m.
(Ann Arbor, MI)
GF at Midwest Classic All Day
(Sun City, AZ)
SB at Triangle Classic All Day
(Chapel Hill, NC)
SW at Big Ten Championships
(Indianapolis, IN)

Saturday, February 22

GY at UMass 7 p.m.
(Amherst, MA)
GF at Midwest Classic
(Sun City, AZ)
TR at Big Ten Championships
(Champaign, IL)
SW at Big Ten Championships
(Indianapolis, IN)
SB at Triangle Classic
(Chapel Hill, NC)

Sunday, February 23

TN at Iowa 10 a.m.
(Iowa City, IA)
BKB at Iowa 2 p.m.
(Iowa City, IA)
GF at Midwest Classic
(Sun City, AZ)
TR at Big Ten Championships
(Champaign, IL)

All Times CST

What's Coming Up

- #8 Swimming and Diving and Track and Field at the Big Ten Championships
- Golf opens spring in sunny Arizona
- #20 Softball travels to North Carolina
- #16 Gymnastics takes record-setting ways to UMass
- Basketball plays final regular-season games of the season
- #39 Tennis looks to improve to 6-0 against Iowa

Last Week's Highlights

- Gymnastics sets team record against #2 Utah
- Judith Cavazos breaks the all-around record
- Tennis easily wins two Big Ten matches
- Softball opens season 5-2 in Texas
- Track and Field sets one school record in Big Ten tuneup
- Angie Iverson posts 16th double-double; still leads the nation in total rebounding

Announcements

WOMEN'S ATHLETICS TO SPONSOR BOOK FAIR--The University of Minnesota Women's Athletics Department and Barnes & Noble Bookstores are sponsoring a Book Fair on Saturday, March 8, at the Barnes & Noble store located on 3216 W. Lake Street (near Lake Calhoun). The Fair will take place from 1-3 p.m. and a portion of the proceeds from the event will benefit the Berg Scholarship Fund.

TICKETS FOR THE 1997 BIG TEN GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS ON SALE--Tickets for the 1997 Big Ten Gymnastics Championships are now on sale at the Gopher Ticket Office. Please call 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER to order your tickets.

Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota travels to the Big Ten Championships in Champaign, Ill, on Feb. 22-23. The NCAA Championships are in Indianapolis, Ind., on March 8-9.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota's 4x200-meter relay team broke a school record Saturday at the unscored Minnesota Open at the University Fieldhouse. The team of **NATALIE SMITH (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL)**, **SHELLIE BRAGGS (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN)**, **KIMBERLY HEATH (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY)** and **YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON)** set a new school record of 1:42.79, which broke the previous record of 1:42.98 set in 1995. **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** provisionally qualified for the NCAA tournament in the shot put for the third time this season. Her throw of 48-6 1/4 also won that event. **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN (MAASTRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDYLE)** set a frosh record of 2:52.68 in the 1000-meter run. Minnesota swept the top three places in the 1000-meter run, with **Panhuisen** first, **KERI ZWEIG (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA)** second and **MINNA HARONOJA (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA)** third. Minnesota also claimed the top three spots in the 600-meter dash, with **KRISTIE STILES (EDEN PRAIRIE, MN/EDEN PRAIRIE)**, **ALISSA BRUSS (WELLS, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and **CARRIE DANIEL (FOLEY, MN/SAUK RAPIDS)**. In all, Minnesota won 12 of the 19 events.

EVENT WINNERS —

55-meter dash: **Kimberly Heath**, :07.30
 400-meter dash: **ALISA GARTNER (BUFFALO, MN/BUFFALO)**, 1:00.67
 600-meter dash: **Kristie Stiles**, 1:37.53
 800-meter run: **ANDREA LENTZ (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR)**, 2:17.14
 1000-meter run: **Daphne Panhuysen**, 2:52.68 (frosh record)
 3000-meter run: **AMY HOEL (CORNELL, WI/CORNELL)**, 10:29.35
 55-meter hurdles: **Yvette White**, :08.4
 4x200-meter relay: **Natalie Smith, Shellie Braggs, Kimberly Heath, Yvette White**, 1:42.79 (school record)
 4x400-meter relay: **Natalie Smith, Shellie Braggs, Alisa Gartner, Yvette White**, 3:56.88
 Triple Jump: **Natalie Smith**, 38-7 (11.76m)
 Shot Put: **Dani Parkos**, 48-6 1/4 (14.79m) (provisional qualifier)
 High Jump: **APASHA BLOCKER (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT)**, 5-3 3/4 (1.62m)

Minnesota results

55 Meter Dash - 1. Kimberly Heath, 7.30; 400 Meter Dash - 1. Alisa Gartner, 1:00.67; 6. Kay Fuller, 1:01.78; 600 Meter Dash - 1. Kristie Stiles, 1:37.53; 2. Alissa Bruss, 1:40.25; 3. Carrie Daniel, 1:40.97; 800 Meter Run - 1. Andrea Lentz, 2:17.44; 4. Beth Cordes, 2:27.93; 1000 Meter Run - 1. Daphne Panhuysen, 2:52.68; 2. Keri Zweig, 2:59.31; 3. Minna Haronoja, 3:01.64; 8.

Julie Golla, 3:16.21; 1500 Meter Run - 3. Anna Gullingsrud, 4:40.13; 4. Kari Thompson, 4:45.47; 8. Marissa McGill, 4:56.97; 9. Genalyn Johnson, 4:57.11; 10. Gillian Haro, 4:58.18; 18. Danielle Giusti, 5:16.00; 3000 Meter Run - 1. Amy Hoel, 10:29.35; 2. Janet Howe, 10:39.63; 17. Christie Heikes, 11:26.65; 19. Tiffany Barron, 11:36.87; 5000 Meter Run - 6. Nikki Rassbach, 19:07.56; 55 Meter Hurdles - 1. Yvette White, 8.4; 3. Natalie Smith, 8.8; 4x200 Meter Relay - 1. Natalie Smith, Shellie Braggs, Kimberly Heath, Y. White, 1:42.79 (school record); 4x400 Meter Relay - 1. Natalie Smith, Shellie Braggs, Alisa Gartner, Yvette White, 3:56.88; 3. Daphne Panhuysen, Carrie Daniel, Minna Haronoja, Kristie Stiles, 4:06.18; 4. Alissa Bruss, Apasha Blocker, Kimberly Heath, Kay Fuller, 4:08.37; 9. Keri Zweig, Marissa McGill, Julie Golla, Andrea Lentz, 4:19.62; Triple Jump - 1. Natalie Smith, 38-7 (11.76m); Shot Put - 1. Dani Parkos, 48-6 1/4 (14.79m); 2. Tina McDonald, 46-2 3/4 (14.09m); High Jump - 1. Apasha Blocker, 5-3 3/4 (1.62m).

PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS—CHANTEAU WHITE (ALLEN, TX/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE) has provisionally qualified her for the NCAA Championships in both the long jump and the 55-meter dash. **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** has provisionally qualified in the shot put three times this season. Other qualifiers: frosh **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN (MAASBRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDYLE)** in the 3000-meter dash and sophomore **TINA MCDONALD (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST)** in the shot put.

NEW MINNESOTA RECORDS SET IN 1997 —

Varsity Records

55-meter dash: **Chanteau White**, :06.97
 400-meter dash: **Yvette White**, :56.71
 Long Jump: **Chanteau White**, 19-11 1/2 (6.08m)
 Triple Jump: **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KATEDRALSKOLE)**, 41-3 3/4 (12.59m)

Frosh Records

1000-meter run: **Daphne Panhuysen**, 2:52.68
 3000-meter run: **Daphne Panhuysen**, 9:46.80
 Long Jump: **Natalie Smith**, 19-3 (5.87m)
 Triple Jump: **Christine Gulbrandsen**, 41-3 3/4 (12.59m)

MINNESOTA'S ALL-TIME INDOOR TOP TEN LIST —

Chanteau White ranks in the top ten of four all-time lists. **White** holds school records in the 55-meter dash, 60-meter dash and the long jump. She also holds fifth place in the 55-meter hurdles. **Yvette White** ranks on three lists: first in the 400-meter dash, eighth in the 55-meter hurdles and eighth in the 200-meter dash. **Apasha Blocker** is the school record holder in the pentathlon and also ranks ninth all-time in the triple jump and tenth in the high jump. **Christine Gulbrandsen** holds the top spot in the triple jump. **Kimberly Heath** ranks first in the 200-meter dash and second in the 55-meter dash. **Daphne Panhuysen** ranks second all-time in the 1000-meter run and sixth in the 3000 meter run. In the shot put, **Dani Parkos** holds

the third spot while **Tina McDonald** is seventh. **Natalie Smith** ranks third in the long jump and fourth in the triple jump. The 4 x 400-meter relay team of **Shellie Braggs, Yvette White, KAY FULLER (VERNDALE, MN/VERNDALE)** and **Alisa Gartner** ranks fifth all-time. **Kristie Stiles** is eighth in the 600-meter run. **ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)** is eighth in the 5000-meter run. **Shellie Braggs** is eighth in the 400-meter dash and tenth in the 200-meter dash. **Keri Zweig** is tenth in the 1000 meter run.

Swimming and Diving

16TH ANNUAL BIG TEN WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS AT INDIANAPOLIS --

The No. 8 ranked University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team competes at the 16th Annual Big Ten Conference Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 20-21, in Indianapolis. The meet, hosted by Purdue University and Indiana University, will be at the IU Natatorium at the IUPUI campus. This marks the seventh time the women's championships have been at IUPUI.

The Gophers, 13-0 overall and 6-0 in the Big Ten, had their fourth undefeated season this year in the 24-year history of the program. Minnesota also went also undefeated during the 1994-95 (10-0, 5-0), 1976-77 (10-0, 1-0) and 1974-75 (1-0) seasons.

Head coach Jean Freeman, Big Ten Coach of the Year in 1984, 1986, 1996, said "Last year we were third at the Big Ten championships. We plan on finishing higher this year." Freeman also hopes to average three student-athletes in the top 16 in all but two events. "All five of our relays should make NCAA automatic qualifying times, and overall, were hoping to qualify a dozen athletes for the national championships," Freeman said.

Michigan was first at the 1996 finals and was followed by Wisconsin, the Gophers, Northwestern, Purdue, Indiana, Penn State, Illinois, Ohio State, Michigan State and Iowa. Ohio State and Michigan are the only two conference schools to win the swimming and diving championships, with the Buckeyes winning the first five team titles (1982-86) and the Wolverines winning the last 10 titles (1987-1996).

GOPHERS RETURN SIX BIG TEN CHAMPIONS

Minnesota has six returning conference champions on this year's team, representing one relay team event and four individual events. Returning champions are **Tanya Schuh, Beth Shimanski, Gretchen Hegener, Suzie Helvig, Olga Splichalova** and **Kimberly Wilson**. Since the Big Ten sanctioned women's swimming and diving as an official conference sport in 1982, Minnesota has won 25 individual and 19 relay team titles.

Senior **TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)**, the 1996 Big Ten Swimmer of the Year, all-Big Ten selection and three-time Big Ten champion, will compete in the 100- and 200-yard butterfly events, the 50-yard freestyle and as member of the 200- and 400-yard medley relay teams. Schuh has already qualified for the NCAA championships in the 100-yard butterfly.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995	1994
100yd butterfly	1. (54.24)	2. (54.74)	6. (56.66)
200yd butterfly	1. (2:00.69)	3. (2:01.70)	11. (2:06.81)
200yd medley relay	1. (1:42.44)	2. (1:42.93)	4. (1:44.06)
200yd free relay	6. (1:35.01)		
400yd medley relay	2. (3:43.05)	2. (3:44.74)	8. (3:49.42)
400yd free relay	7. (3:28.94)		

Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)** was an all-Big Ten selection, winning two conference titles last year. She will compete in the 500- and 1,650-yard freestyle events, the 400-yard individual medley and as a member of at least one relay team.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995
500yd freestyle	1. (4:47.54)	4. (4:50.27)
1,650 yd freestyle	1. (16:18.72)	3. (16:24.80)
400yd medley relay	2. (3:43.05)	
200yd freestyle	4. (1:50.20)	
800yd free relay	5. (7:28.88)	4. (7:25.29)
400yd free relay	7. (3:28.94)	
400yd ind. medley		12. (4:27.56)

Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)**, the Big Ten Swimmer of the Month for January, 1997, was an all-Big Ten selection last year as a member of a winning relay team. She will compete in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events, 200-yard individual medley and as a member of both medley relay teams. Hegener has already qualified for the NCAA championships in the 100-yard breaststroke and set the Minnesota school record in the 200-yard breaststroke this season.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995
200yd medley relay	1. (1:42.44)	2. (1:42.93)
400yd medley relay	2. (3:43.05)	2. (3:44.74)
200yd ind. medley	10. (2:05.87)	15. (2:07.96)
100yd breaststroke	2. (1:02.38)	3. (1:03.33)
200yd breaststroke	3. (2:16.10)	10. (2:18.58)

Sophomore **BETH SHIMANSKI (HUTCHINSON, MN)** was an all-Big Ten selection last year as a member of a winning relay team. This year, she is entered in the 100- and 200-yard backstroke events, the 50-yard freestyle and possibly as a member of the longer medley relay.

Big Ten Top 16	1996
200yd medley relay	1. (1:42.44)
400yd medley relay	2. (3:43.05)
100yd backstroke	12. (57.42)
200yd backstroke	16. (2:05.28)

Senior **SUZIE HELVIG (MANDAN, ND)** was an all-Big Ten selection last year as a member of a winning relay team. At this year's championships, Helvig will compete in the 50-, 100-, and 200-yard freestyle events.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995	1994
200yd medley relay	1. (1:42.44)	2. (1:42.93)	
200yd free relay	6. (1:35.01)	4. (1:35.13)	6. (1:34.87)
50yd freestyle	16. (23.89)	10. (23.84)	14. (23.99)
800yd free relay	5. (7:28.88)	4. (7:25.29)	7. (7:30.15)
100yd freestyle	16. (51.98)	6. (51.42)	9. (51.34)
400yd free relay	7. (3:28.94)	4. (3:25.40)	5. (3:25.88)
200yd freestyle		9. (1:49.90)	

Junior **KIMBERLY WILSON (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)** was the 1995 conference champion in the 1,650-yard freestyle, setting the current conference record of 16:14.67. This year she is entered in the 500- and 1,650-yard freestyle events and the 400-yard individual medley.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995
500yd freestyle	5. (4:42.32)	2. (4:49.27)
1,650yd freestyle	4. (16:36.63)	1. (16:14.67)
400yd ind. medley	7. (4:26.84)	7. (4:24.14)
800yd free relay	5. (7:28.88)	4. (7:25.29)

OTHER BIG TEN SCORING GOPHERS

Senior **DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)** has been an integral part of the team at the conference level. At this year's meet, Coellner will compete in the 200-yard individual medley, 100-yard breaststroke, 100-yard freestyle and as a member of the 200- and 400-yard freestyle relay teams.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995	1994
200yd free relay	6. (1:35.01)	4. (1:35.13)	6. (1:34.87)
200yd ind. medley	11. (2:06.16)	8. (2:06.64)	12. (2:05.66)
100yd breaststroke	16. (1:05.96)		
400yd free relay	7. (3:28.94)	4. (3:25.40)	5. (3:25.88)
800yd free relay			7. (7:30.15)

Senior **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)** has scored for Minnesota at the past three Big Ten meets in both springboard diving events and is expected to add points to this year's team score as well.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995	1994
1-meter diving	3. (394.75)	4. (426.70)	12. (353.22)
3-meter diving	4. (471.20)	6. (490.25)	6. (493.25)

Senior **CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)** has had a good year of diving going into the conference meet, finishing first or second 24 times this season.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1994
1-meter diving	11. (333.70)	13. (346.98)
3-meter diving	8. (405.50)	
Platform diving (ex.)	5. (430.70)	

Senior **JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT)** has been a constant performer during the past four year. This year, she is entered in the 200- and 400-yard individual medley events and the 200-yard butterfly.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995	1994
200yd ind. medley	9. (2:05.31)		
400yd ind. medley	11. (4:26.84)	8. (4:30.68)	11. (4:27.17)
200yd butterfly	11. (2:05.27)	14. (2:05.79)	3. (2:01.97)

Senior **ALICIA HICKEN (CAMPBELLVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN)** has been a constant source of points at the conference meet. This year, she is competing in the 200-, 500- and 1,650-yard freestyle events and in the 800-yard freestyle relay.

Big Ten Top 16	1996	1995	1994
500yd freestyle	12. (4:55.32)	6. (4:51.96)	
200yd freestyle	14. (1:52.52)	7. (4:55.86)	10. (1:51.01)
800yd free relay	5. (7:28.88)		7. (7:30.15)
1,650yd freestyle	9. (16:44.32)	11. (16:46.43)	9. (17:02.30)

Sophomore **KRISSY BERGLUND (SOMERVILLE, NJ)** scored points in the free relay as a 1996 newcomer to the Big Ten Championships, while competing in three other events. This year, Berglund will compete in three of the four following events: the 50-, 100- and 200-yard freestyle events and the 100-yard butterfly.

Big Ten Top 16	1996
200yd free relay	6. (1:35.01)

Senior **CARRIE RAETH (KALISPELL, MT/FLATHEAD)** is among the top five swimmers this year for Minnesota in the 100-yard backstroke and butterfly events, and will compete this year at the conference meet 50- and 100-yard freestyle events and the 100-yard backstroke.

Big Ten Top 16	1995
100yd butterfly	13. (57.56)

Junior **SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN)** is the Gophers' top 100-yard backstroke specialist this year. She is planning to compete in the 100-yard backstroke after missing last's year Big Ten Championships with an injury.

Big Ten Top 16	1995
100yd backstroke	11. (56.89)

MINNESOTA CHALLENGE RESULTS – Minnesota won 12 of the 17 events at the unscored Minnesota Challenge at the University Aquatic Center, on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14-15. Sophomore **KRISSY BERGLUND, SOMERVILLE, NJ** won the 200- (1:58.44) and 500-yard freestyle (5:11.32) events, as the Gophers' only double-event winner.

OTHER GOPHER WINNERS

Junior **NICOLE FIEST (MANDAN, ND)**

100-yard breaststroke	1:09.15
400-yard medley relay	4:08.47.

Junior **KIMBERLY WILSON (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)**

200-yard individual medley	2:10.48
400-yard medley relay	4:08.47.

Frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)**

100-yard backstroke	1:00.56
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Sophomore **BETH SHIMANSKI (HUTCHINSON, MN)**

50-yard freestyle	24.38
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Sophomore **BRIANA RYGG (KALISPELL, MT/FLATHEAD)**

1,650-yard freestyle	18.16.87
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Frosh **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)**

100-yard butterfly	57.75
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Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)**

200-yard backstroke	2:18.08
200-yard free relay	1:40.93

Senior **CARRIE RAETH (KALISPELL, MT/FLATHEAD)**

200-yard free relay	1:40.93
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Sophomore **KERRY GRIMORD (HALES CORNERS, WI/WHITNALL)**

200-yard free relay	1:40.93
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Senior **ANDREA TOFT (MINNETONKA, MN)**

200-yard free relay	1:40.93
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Frosh **MARTA KNOWLES (DENVER, CO/ST. MARY'S ACADEMY)**

400-yard medley relay	4:08.47.
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Frosh **ASHLEY WALLACE (PARK RAPIDS, MN)**

400-yard medley relay	4:08.47.
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Frosh **HEATHER MILLER (WILLMAR, MN)**

200-yard medley relay	1:53.68
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Senior **JESSICA SMITH (PORTLAND, OR/REYNOLDS)**

200-yard medley relay	1:53.68
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Frosh **KATE McMILLAN (PALATINE, IL)**

200-yard medley relay	1:53.68
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Senior **SUZIE HELVIG (MANDAN, ND)**

200-yard medley relay	1:53.68
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Softball

GOPHER SOFTBALL TEAM TRAVELS TO NORTH CAROLINA — The University of Minnesota softball team continues its non-conference schedule this week in North Carolina. On Thursday, Feb. 20, the Gophers are scheduled to play a doubleheader against North Carolina. Minnesota will then compete in the Triangle Classic Tournament on Friday - Sunday, Feb. 21-23.

MINNESOTA 5-2 ON OPENING WEEKEND — Minnesota posted a 5-2 record in its opening weekend of action in Arlington, Tex. Inclement weather forced the cancellation of the Pepsi / Texas-Arlington Intercollegiate Classic, but teams on site managed to arrange games throughout the weekend.

GOPHERS RANKED 20TH — The Gophers entered the season with ranked #20 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Preseason Poll. Defending national champion Arizona is #1 to begin the '97 season.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — Minnesota looks to improve on its 44-18 record from a year ago and has the talent and depth to do so. Two all-Americans, first teamer **Rachel Nelson** and second teamer **Amber Hegland**, highlight the group of 16 returning letterwinners from a squad which finished second in the Big Ten with a 17-6 mark.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
C 14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B 17	Tracy Carey	R/R	Jr.	Richfield, MN (Neb.-Omaha)
2B 9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
3B 21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
SS 5	Shannon Beeler	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF 2	Steph Midthun	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF 1	Rachel Nelson	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple Rv.)
RF 6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
11	Jennifer Bauer	R/R	Sr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diam. Bar)

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN — Minnesota head coach **Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien** enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 160-144-1 (.526). **Bernstein-O'Brien** owns a Big Ten record of 68-64 (.515) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach **Julie Standering** is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while **Jennifer McGuinness** is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

STAT LEADERS — **Steph Midthun** and **Amber Hegland** lead the Gopher hitters after seven games. **Midthun**, playing in left field, is hitting .478 to lead the team. **Hegland**, playing at second base, is hitting .450 with a team-high seven runs scored. **Shannon Beeler** tops the team in RBI with eight. On the mound, **Wendy Logue** is 3-1 on the season, while **Steph Klaviter** is 1-1 and **Jennifer Johnson** is 1-0 with two saves.

ABOUT THE OPPONENTS —

NORTH CAROLINA — The Tar Heels are 0-2 after opening their season last weekend with losses to Furman and South Carolina. North Carolina head coach **Donna J. Papa** is in her 12th season with the Tar Heels and sports a 382-219-2 record. The series is split at 1-1 with a doubleheader played last season at UNC. North Carolina won the series opener by a 4-2 count, with Minnesota winning the second game, 9-3.

THIS WEEK'S TOURNAMENT — Minnesota would have to be considered the favorite to win the 1997 Triangle Classic Tournament. The Gophers are the only nationally-ranked team in the 12-team field, as well as the tournament's defending champion. The tourney field is split into four pools of four teams with the semifinals and championship games played on Sunday. Minnesota is grouped with Maryland, Robert Morris and East Carolina. The Gophers will play the following schedule:

Friday, Feb. 21	2:00 p.m.	Minnesota vs. Maryland
	5:00 p.m.	Minnesota vs. East Carolina
Saturday, Feb. 22	9:00 a.m.	Minnesota vs. Robert Morris

Minnesota leads series play with Maryland and East Carolina by a 1-0 count. Both games took place at last year's Triangle Classic with Minnesota defeating Maryland, 1-0, and East Carolina by a score of 4-1. Minnesota's game with Robert Morris is the first between the two schools.

GOPHER REWIND — Overall Record: 5-2

Game 1 — Feb. 14 — Arlington, Tex.

Minnesota 11, Detroit Mercy 1

Detroit Mercy	010	00	1	4	1
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Minnesota	235	1-	11	15	0
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W - Logue (1-0), L - Zourendyk, HR - Beeler (1).

Notes: Minnesota scored all the runs it would need in the bottom of the first inning when Shannon Beeler belted a two-run home run in her first at bat of the season. Beeler finished the game going 2-for-3 as one of five Gophers to collect two hits in the season-opener. Wendy Logue went the distance, giving up four hits and no walks.

Game 2 — Feb. 14 — Arlington, Tex.

Minnesota 17, Detroit Mercy 0

Minnesota	440	27	17	15	0
Detroit Mercy	000	00	0	3	1

W - Steph Klaviter (1-0), L - Bierke, HR - none.

Notes: The Gophers jump to a quick lead with four runs in the top of the first inning. Rachel Nelson (3-for-4) and Steph Midthun (3-for-3) go a collective 6-for-7 with six runs scored from the Gophers' number-one and two spots in the batting order. Jennifer Fox leads the team with four RBI. Steph Klaviter earns the win, pitching four innings and allowing three hits.

Game 3 — Feb. 15 — Arlington, Tex.

Baylor 1, Minnesota 0

Minnesota	000	000	0	0	7	1
Baylor	000	000	1	1	3	2

W - Arn, L - Steph Klaviter (1-1), HR - none.

Notes: The Bears score an unearned run in the bottom of the seventh inning to take the win. Steph Klaviter suffers her first loss of the season despite throwing a complete-game three hitter. Steph Midthun and Shannon Beeler lead the team with two hits apiece.

Game 4 — Feb. 15 — Arlington, Tex.

Minnesota 4, Texas A&M 3

Minnesota	001	010	02	4	9	3
Texas A&M	000	002	10	3	5	3

W - Wendy Logue (2-0), L - Gioco, S - Jennifer Johnson (1), HR - none.

Notes: Minnesota scores two runs in the top of the eighth inning and ends a Texas A&M rally with a double play to end the game with a 4-3 victory. Jennifer Fox singled to lead off the eighth and moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Jodi Halvorson. Dana Ballard strokes a pitch-hit RBI single to score Fox and tallies the winning run herself on a game-winning RBI single by Rachel Nelson. Wendy Logue is credited with the win, pitching seven complete innings and giving up three hits. Jennifer Johnson relieved Logue in the eighth with runners on first and second. The A&M run was scored on a single, then after a flyout to right field, the game was ended on a double-play ball to shortstop Shannon Beeler.

Game 5 — Feb. 15 — Arlington, Tex.

Stephen F. Austin 6, Minnesota 3

Minnesota	200	010	0	3	9	3
Stephen F. Austin	011	012	-	6	9	0

W - Bednarski, L - Logue (2-1), HR - Beeler (2), Hegland (1).

Notes: Despite home runs by Shannon Beeler and Amber Hegland, the Gophers dropped a 6-3 decision to Stephen F. Austin. Hegland's blast in the top of the fifth innings knotted the score at 3-3, but Stephen F. Austin added an unearned run in the bottom of the inning and two more in the sixth to secure the win. In all, three Gopher errors led to three unearned SFA runs. Steph Klaviter started the game and tossed two innings before giving way to Wendy Logue. Logue suffered her first loss of the season. Tracy Carey led the Gopher bats going 3-for-4 from the plate.

Game 6 — Feb. 16 — Arlington, Tex.

Minnesota 2, Louisiana Tech 0

Louisiana Tech	000	000	0	0	3	2
Minnesota	020	000	0	2	6	0

W — Jennifer Johnson (1-0), L - Kilpatrick, HR - none.

Notes: Jennifer Johnson fired ten strikeouts to win her first start of the season in a three-hit, complete-game shutout. The Minnesota offense tallied all the runs it would need in the second inning as the Amber Hegland, Tracy Carey and Dana Ballard strung together hits and were aided in scoring two runs on a pair of Tech errors in the outfield.

Game 7 — Feb. 16 — Arlington, Tex.

Minnesota 2, Texas-Arlington 0

Minnesota	000	200	0	2	7	0
Texas-Arlington	000	000	0	0	3	1

W - Wendy Logue (3-1), L - Johnston, S - Jennifer Johnson (2), HR - none.

Notes; Wendy Logue and Jennifer Johnson combined to pitch a three-hit shutout for the Gophers' second 2-0 win of the day. Johnson relieved Logue in the bottom of the seventh with a runner on first and proceeded to retire the side on two strikeouts and a grounder to the shortstop. Jodi Halvorson led the charge on offense going 3-for-3 and bringing home both Gopher runs in the fourth inning with a single to center.

USA TODAY / NFCA PRESEASON COACHES POLL

Rank	School	'96 Record	Points
1.	Arizona	58-9	619
2.	UCLA	47-11	600
3.	Fresno State	51-11	555
4.	Washington	59-9	504
5.	Michigan	51-14	486
6.	Iowa	49-19	441
7.	Southwestern Louisiana	46-10	424
8.	California	41-23	419
9.	South Carolina	38-13	413
10.	Oklahoma	50-20	354
11.	Oklahoma State	37-20	320
12.	Cal State Fullerton	41-28	314
13.	UNLV	36-23	307
14.	Long Beach State	37-22	287
15.	Cal State Northridge	43-16	272
16.	South Florida	41-12	267
17.	Florida State	52-21	229
18.	Princeton	47-8-1	220
19.	Nebraska	42-23	213
20.	MINNESOTA	44-18	197
21.	Notre Dame	48-16	102
22.	Hawaii	36-25	87
23.	Massachusetts	38-15-1	79
24.	Connecticut	36-22	62
25.	Arizona State	34-27	51

UP NEXT — The Gophers next action is in the Troy Cox Invitational on Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 27-March 2, in Las Cruces, N.M.

Tennis

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO IOWA -- #39 Minnesota, 5-0 overall and 2-0 in the Big Ten, will travel to Iowa City, Iowa, Sunday, Feb. 23. Match time is 10 a.m. Iowa is 1-5 on the season and 0-2 in the Big Ten.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--The Gophers are ranked #39 in the nation after a successful fall season in which they won 60 percent of their singles matches and half of their doubles contests. Couple that with a 5-0 dual meet start and the Gophers should move up in the polls.

Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)** went 10-1 in the fall, winning 10 straight matches and took over the #1 spot on the team. She is currently 5-0 in the spring and leads the Gophers with 15 victories. **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** is currently second in wins with 12, followed by **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** with 11.

INJURY REPORT -- Junior **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)** has missed the last three matches due to tendonitis in her shoulder. She is listed as day-to-day.

LINEUP CHANGES--Minnesota has shuffled its lineup this season due to its depth and the injury to #3 player **Jenni Svehla**. Minnesota's singles lineup features three sophomores and three newcomers without **Svehla**. The Gophers have used the same lineup the past three matches. **Nora Sauska, Alice Rangsithienchai, TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** are the only Gophers to play in all five matches.

Minnesota's probable starting lineup

- #1 Nora Sauska
- #2 Alice Rangsithienchai
- #3 Tarah Elkins
- #4 Kim Simonsen
- #5 Jana Hrdinova
- #6 Helen Wang

Doubles:

- #1 Sauska/Elkins
- #2 Simonsen/Rangsithienchai
- #3 Hayes/Hrdinova

GOPHER REWIND--PURDUE--Minnesota swept Purdue, 7-0, to open the Big Ten dual meet season at the 98th Street Racquet Club. The Gophers were playing without #3 singles player junior **Jenni Svehla**, who missed the match due to tendonitis in her shoulder. Due to **Svehla's** absence, Minnesota's singles lineup comprised of three newcomers and three sophomores. It did not seem to matter as it was the first regular season sweep for the Gophers since Minnesota beat Michigan State 9-0 in 1990.

The Gophers started the match strong by winning all three doubles matches and claiming the doubles point. Minnesota then received straight set singles victories from sophomore **Tarah Elkins** and newcomer **Kim Simonsen** before sophomore **Alice Rangsithienchai** clinched the match with a 1-6, 6-3, 6-3 win over Purdue's **Jen Embry**. Minnesota then closed out the sweep with straight set wins by **Jana Hrdinova, Helen Wang** and **Nora Sauska**.

ILLINOIS--Minnesota had to rally after losing the doubles point, but swept the singles claiming a 6-1 victory over Illinois. Minnesota improved its record to 5-0 on the year. The Gophers lost all three doubles matches by an identical 8-4 score, but won five of six singles matches in straight sets. **Nora Sauska** got her 15th win of the season with a 6-2, 6-4 win over **Stacy Shapiro**.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 39th in the fall Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. **Nora Sauska** is the only Minnesota player ranked in the individual rankings. She is 47th in the nation after posting a 10-1 fall record and winning two singles titles and a doubles title.

DOUBLES UNDEFEATED--After struggling some in the fall, the Minnesota's doubles team are back on track. After rearranging the pairings for the spring, the Gophers started the spring season 12-0, before losing all three matches to Illinois. The #1 team of **Nora Sauska** and **Tarah Elkins** are 4-1 thus far, as are **Jana Hrdinova** and **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)**.

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS--**Nora Sauska** won her 15th match of the season against only one defeat. **Sauska** had won 10 matches in a row until falling at the Rolex Regional Qualifier in November.

RANGSITHIENCHAI BACK WITH A VENGEANCE--**Alice Rangsithienchai**, the 1996 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year, is playing strong for Gophers again this season. **Rangsithienchai** has won 12 matches this season, good for second on the team.

MINNESOTA WINS FOUR TITLES IN FALL--**Nora Sauska** and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON, WI)** combined to win Minnesota's four titles this fall. **Sauska** was the singles champion in Flight B at the Notre Dame Invitational and the A winner at the Wolfpack Invite, while **Sauska** teamed with **Hrdinova** to win the B doubles crown at Notre Dame. **Hrdinova** won her second doubles title over the weekend teaming with **Christy Delgado** of Iowa at the Indiana Regional Invitational.

UP NEXT--After its trip to Iowa, the Gophers will go to Syracuse, NY, to play Syracuse and Maryland in non-conference battles. Maryland is ranked # 37 in the country, while Syracuse is #51.

Basketball

MINNESOTA CLOSES REGULAR SEASON AT MICHIGAN AND IOWA--Minnesota, 3-21 overall and 1-13 in the Big Ten, travels to Michigan Friday, Feb. 21, and Iowa Sunday, Feb. 23. Game time Friday is 6:30 p.m. (CST), while Sunday's game starts at 2 p.m. Michigan is 13-10 overall and 5-9 in the Big Ten, while Iowa is 12-11 overall and 7-7 in the conference.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS-- MINDY HANSEN (CHASKA, MN/CHASKA), who started the first 15 games of the season, but had come off the bench during the past eight games, received her 16th start of the season against Indiana Sunday. **SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL)** who had taken Hansen's place in the starting lineup, came off the bench against Indiana. The starting lineup now features two juniors in **ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA)** and **JAIME ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO)**, two sophomores (**Hansen** and **SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)**) and a first-year athlete (**KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)**). The probable starting lineup:

#23	G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
#21	F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
		or			
#12	G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska
#15	G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./Lake Oswego
#53	C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
#45	F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette

The Reserves

#22	G	Stephanie Strommen	5-8	So.	Bloomington, Minn./Kennedy/Arizona St.
#24	C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
#25	G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
#32	F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
#35	C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford
#33	F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season, but has the heart of a champion making it through a difficult season.

Minnesota has suffered through a number of injuries this season, three of which were season- or career-ending before the year began. The Gophers have been healthier of late not suffering an injury that would require missed playing time for over a month.

Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **Angie Iverson**, who is attempting to earn first-team all-Big Ten honors. **Iverson** would be the first player since **Carol Ann Shudlick** to receive the honor for the Gophers. **Iverson** definitely has the numbers to back up her cause as she leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 16.8 points and 12.4 boards a game, respectively. **Iverson** is second in the nation in rebounding per game and leads the nation in total rebounds. She is also seventh in the Big Ten in overall scoring and third in conference games. **Iverson** has recorded 16 double-doubles on the season and set a Minnesota and Big Ten record with 25 rebounds against Colo-

rado State in December. She also had a career-high 30 points and 18 rebounds against league-leader Illinois on Sunday.

Junior starting point guard **Jaime Ellis** is suffering from a stress fracture and was limited to only 16 minutes a contest until two weeks ago. **Ellis** has given way at the point to newcomer **Kiauna Burns** and sophomore **Mindy Hansen**. **Burns** is averaging 31 minutes a game this season and has averaged 38 minutes a contest in her last 12 games. **Hansen** is second on the team in scoring at 11.6 and had 23 points Sunday against Indiana. Add that to **Sarah Klun**, who is coming back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season and is averaging 8.4 points and 3.9 rebounds a game, and sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who is third on the team in scoring at 8.7 points coming off the bench for the Gophers, and Minnesota has a solid nucleus for next season.

THE HEAD COACH--**Linda Hill-MacDonald** is in her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 65-123 record at Minnesota. **Hill-MacDonald** led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, **Hill-MacDonald** has a record of 230-253 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

THE ASSISTANTS: **Hill-MacDonald's** assistant coaches are **Tréka McMillian**, who moves up to the first assistant position after serving as the second assistant and restricted earning coach during the past three years. Former Gopher player **Crystal Flint** moves up to the second assistant spot after being the third assistant last season, and **Cara Pearson**, another former Gopher standout, moves into the third assistant role after playing professional basketball in Luxembourg over the summer. **Pearson** was an assistant coach at Tartan High School last year.

INJURY REPORT--The Gophers have struggled with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries and has suffered continuous injuries throughout the season. Here is the injury timeline of the Gophers this season:

September 13, 1996-- All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For **Stafford** it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. **Stafford** was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

September, 1996--Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** takes a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. **Taylor** was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

October 15, 1996--Forward **Sarah Schieber** tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. **Schieber** had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. **Schieber** was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

November 20, 1996--Forward **Lynda Hass** is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. **Hass** missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor for the Gophers and is currently third on the squad in scoring.

December, 1996--Starting point guard **Jaime Ellis**, who had averaged 34 minutes a game, is diagnosed with a stress fracture and is limited to 16 minutes a game.

December 30, 1996--Reserve **Andrea Seago** suffered a nasal fracture when **Angie Iverson** caught her with an elbow.

January 3, 1997--**Teresa O'Hearn** suffers a sprain of the right ankle. She missed the Indiana game, but returned for the Nebraska contest.

January 3, 1997--Reserve **Margaret Blom** missed the Indiana game due to migraine headaches. She returned Tuesday against Nebraska.

January 7, 1997--**Jaime Ellis** missed the Nebraska game due to a stress fracture.

KNOCK ON WOOD--Minnesota has finally experienced some good luck lately as the team has gone one month without a serious injury to a player. **Jaime Ellis** is finally off restriction for her stress fracture and should see more minutes the rest of the season. **Ellis** played 20 minutes against Michigan State and Indiana and 17 versus Illinois.

THE OPPONENTS--MICHIGAN--Michigan is 13-10 on the season and 5-9 in the conference after splitting games with Penn State and Northwestern over the weekend. Michigan crushed Penn State Friday evening, before being crushed by Northwestern Sunday afternoon.

Head coach **Sue Guevera** is in her first season at Michigan after serving as an assistant coach at Michigan State for eight seasons. **Guevera** was hired as the interim head coach at the beginning of the season, but had the interim title removed last week.

Leading the way for Michigan is **Pollyanna Johns** and **Stacey Thomas**. **Johns** is averaging 15.1 and 10.7 rebounds a game. She is shooting 58 percent from the field. **Thomas** is at 13.2 points and 6.6 rebounds a game, while 51 percent from the field.

THE SERIES--Minnesota leads the series 16-13, Michigan has won the last two games from the Gophers including an 82-63 decision this season.

GAME ONE--The Wolverines got 33 points from their bench as Minnesota fell to 0-2 on the season after losing to Michigan, 82-63, Dec. 30, at the Sports Pavilion. Michigan jumped out to an early lead before Minnesota fought back to within one at the break. Michigan then outscored the Gophers 42-24 in the second half as Minnesota shot only 29 percent from the field and committed 25 turnovers for the game.

The Wolverines were led by starter **Stacey Thomas** and reserves **Akisha Franklin** and **Silver Shelman**. **Thomas** led all scorers with 18 points and nine rebounds, while **Franklin** contributed 17 points and **Shelman** had 14 points and seven boards. Minnesota was led by **Angie Iverson** who recorded 17 points and 17 rebounds. **Lynda Hass** also recorded a career-high 15 points for the Gophers.

IOWA--Iowa has been a huge disappointment this season with a 12-11 overall record and a 7-7 conference mark. The preseason conference champion as selected by the coaches, Iowa plays at Wisconsin Friday night before playing Minnesota

Head coach **Angie Lee** is in her second season compiling a 39-15 record. **Lee** was named Big Ten Coach of the Year last season after leading the Hawkeyes to the Big Ten title.

Iowa uses a balanced attack as four players average in double figures. The Hawkeyes are led by **Angela Hamblin** and **Nadine Domond**. **Hamblin** is a speedy guard who averages 13.8 points and 7.1 rebounds a game, while **Domond** is a 10.4 points and 3.9 rebounds a game. **Amy Herrig** and **Tangela Smith** are the other Hawkeye players in double figures at 10.4 and 10.0, respectively

THE SERIES--Iowa leads the series 13-26, including a win this season at the Sports Pavilion.

GAME ONE--Minnesota lost at the hands of Iowa, 61-48, at the Sports Pavilion. Iowa, behind the scoring of **Angela Hamblin**, took a 25-9 lead and never looked back. Minnesota did close the gap to four at one point, but Iowa went back to its inside game as **Simone Edwards** scored 14 points and grabbed nine rebounds off the bench to help Iowa.

Minnesota shot only 29 percent for the game and was outerbounded, 47-34, including 30-20 on the defensive glass. **Hamblin** led all scorers with 22 points in only 24 minutes. She was taken out of the game in the second half after hitting her head on the floor. **Mindy Hansen** led all Minnesota scorers with 15 points, while **Angie Iverson** had 10 points and nine rebounds.

BIG TEN UPDATE-- There is a log jam for first place in the conference as Illinois, Purdue and Michigan State all have identical 11-3 records. Here are the updated standings as of Feb. 15.

	Big Ten	Overall
1. Illinois	11-3	19-5
Michigan State	11-3	19-5
Purdue	11-3	15-8
4. Wisconsin	8-6	16-8
5. Northwestern	8-7	15-9
6. Iowa	7-7	12-11
7. Penn State	6-8	13-11
8. Indiana	7-8	14-11
9. Michigan	5-9	13-10
10. Ohio State	3-11	11-13
11. Minnesota	1-13	3-21

GOPHER REWIND--INDIANA--Indiana defeated the Gophers 103-75 in the home finale at the Sports Pavilion. The Hoosiers forced 34 Minnesota turnovers and took 25 more shots from the field in gaining the victory. Indiana jumped out to an early 20-6 lead and extended the lead to 22 by halftime. Minnesota played better in the second half, but it wasn't enough as **Tatjana Vesel** had 22 points and **Racheal Honegger** chipped in 21 off the bench. **Angie Iverson** led Minnesota again with 18 points and 15 rebounds in 40 minutes. **Mindy Hansen** had 23 points, one off her career best, while **Sarah Klun** had 11 and **Kiauna Burns** 10.

TEAM NOTES---Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 40 percent. Minnesota has shot above 45 percent only five times the entire season and above 40 percent seven times in 1996-97. With no players taller than 6-0 in the starting lineup, Minnesota is getting killed on the boards, especially the offensive glass, where they have been outrebounded 397-299. Minnesota has been outscored 78-64 by its opponents and turnovers are plaguing this squad at a rate of 24.2 a game.

IVERSON FIRST IN NATION IN TOTAL REBOUNDS--Angie Iverson, at only 6-0, is crashing the boards at a record pace this season. She is leading the nation in total rebounds with 297 rebounds through 24 games. Etolia Mitchell is next closest competitor with 273 rebounds through 20 games.

IVERSON SECOND IN THE NATION IN REBOUNDING PER GAME--Center Angie Iverson is second in the nation in rebounds per game. Iverson, who is averaging 12.4 boards a game, is second only Etolia Mitchell of Georgia State. Mitchell, who is 6-2, is averaging 13.6 rebounds a contest.

IVERSON BREAKS BIG TEN AND MINNESOTA REBOUNDING RECORD--Angie Iverson's career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record and Big Ten record of 23 set in 1984 by Molly Tadich against Northwestern and Wisconsin's Theresa Huff against Indiana in 1983. Iverson's 25 rebounds are also the highest rebound total in the nation this season.

IVERSON EVEN MORE DOMINATING OF LATE--After playing well the entire season, Angie Iverson has stepped it up another notch during her last five games. She has averaged 24.4 points and 14.5 rebounds. She is shooting almost 55 percent in her last four games and has accounted for 40 percent of the Gophers scoring and rebounding. She has four double-doubles and just missed a fourth by one rebound against Ohio State. She recorded a career-high 30 points against Illinois.

IVERSON ON PACE TO ENTER SEASON TOP TEN IN REBOUNDING--With her 297 rebounds, Angie Iverson is on pace to enter the Minnesota season-record list for rebounds in a season. Iverson is on pace to pull down 330 rebounds, which would be the fifth-highest season mark ever recorded in Minnesota and Big Ten history. Linda Roberts holds the Minnesota season record with 387 boards, set in 1977-78 when the Gophers played 34 games and advanced to the AIAW Tournament, while Wisconsin's Theresa Huff holds the Big Ten record at 394 set in 1981-82.

IVERSON'S REBOUNDING AVERAGE RANKS THIRD IN MINNESOTA HISTORY--If the season ended today, Angie Iverson's 12.4 caroms a game would be the second-highest season rebounding average in Minnesota history. Denise Erstad pulled down 15.8 rebounds a contest in 1974-75.

IVERSON COULD ENTER CAREER TOP TEN IN RE-

BOUNDING--If Angie Iverson remains on her current pace, she would finish the season with 640 career rebounds, ranking her 10th all-time with one season remaining. Iverson has 581 rebounds in 73 career games. Linda Roberts is the all-time career rebounding leader with 1,413 in 129 games.

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--Angie Iverson has posted 16 double-doubles in 24 games for the Gophers this season and leads the team in scoring and rebounding at 16.8 points and 12.4 rebounds a game. Iverson now has 22 double-doubles in her career. Iverson's best totals were at Colorado State, where she ripped down a Minnesota and Big Ten record 25 rebounds, including 16 on the defensive glass, and scored 16 points. Iverson also has double-doubles against Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14), Marquette (11-12), Fairfield (13-15), Michigan (17-17), Indiana (21-11), Illinois (22-14), Michigan State (24-12), Northwestern (19-14), Penn State (14-14), Michigan State (22-13), Illinois (30-18), Indiana (18-15) and Purdue (25-12). She has also missed three other double-doubles by one point or rebound in 1996-97.

Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

IVERSON RANKS SEVENTH IN BIG TEN IN SCORING--Angie Iverson currently ranks seventh in the Big Ten in scoring in all games with 16.8 points and third in conference games at 19.1 points. Michele Ratay of Northwestern is at 19.8, while Keisha Anderson of Wisconsin is right on her tail at 19.7. Penn State's Angie Pothoff (19.1), Purdue's Jannon Roland (18.9) and Kristina Divjak (18.4) round out the top five.

IVERSON SETS ANOTHER CAREER-HIGH IN SCORING AGAINST ILLINOIS--Angie Iverson's storybook season continued as she poured in a career-high 30 points on 11-of-23 shooting from the field against Illinois. She beat her previous career-high of 29 one week earlier against Purdue. Iverson's 30 points was the highest point total for the Gophers since Kay Schmidt had 31 last season.

ALTHOUGH SHORT, IVERSON BIG IN THE MIDDLE--On the season, Angie Iverson is averaging an impressive 12.4 rebounds on the boards. Iverson has led the Gophers in rebounding in 21 of 24 games this season and has not had double-figure rebounds in only seven games this year. The 6-foot Iverson has been, on the average, three inches shorter than the opponent guarding her this season. Iverson pulled down 18 rebounds against Illinois, who has three players above 6-2 in its lineup.

HANSEN SCORES WAY TO TOP--After struggling last weekend going 3-for-21, including 0-for-11 at Michigan State, Minnesota's second-leading scorer Mindy Hansen had 23 points against Indiana Sunday. Hansen, who was making her first start in nine games, was 8-of-12 from the field, including a perfect 3-for-3 on three-pointers. She was only one point away from her career-high of 24 set earlier this season against Northwestern

On the year, Hansen is averaging in double-figures at 11.4

points a game. **Hansen** has been in double figures in 16 of 24 games this season for the Gophers and has led the team seven times in scoring.

BURNS HOT OF LATE--Newcomer **Kiauna Burns** made her first career start as a Gopher against Nebraska and has become a fixture in the lineup by starting the next 12 games. Since joining the starting lineup, **Burns** has averaged nine points and 39 minutes, including 42 minutes against Illinois. She has had six games in double-figure scoring during that time, including a career-high 13 points against Ohio State and Illinois.

BURNS DISHING THE ROCK--**Kiauna Burns** also has been dishing out the basketball at a rate of 3.0 assists a game, second on the team to **Mindy Hansen**. **Burns**, who already has a nine-assists game to her credit against Fairfield this season, had seven assists against Indiana Sunday.

BURNS RANKS IN TOP TEN FOR STEALS--**Kiauna Burns** ranks seventh in the Big Ten for steals with 2.22 a game. Wisconsin's **Keisha Anderson** leads the Big Ten with 3.05 a game.

KLUN PLAYING SOLID--Sophomore **Sarah Klun**, who missed last season with a torn ACL, is back at full speed for the Gophers. She is fourth on the team in scoring at 8.4 points a game and has scored in double figures in 13 games this season.

Klun played in only seven games her first season, averaging 2.0 points and 1.3 rebounds a game.

KLUN AUTOMATIC FROM THE FREE-THROW LINE--**Sarah Klun** loves to go to the free-throw line, having missed only five free throws during her career at Minnesota. **Klun** is 44-49 (.897) from the line during her career.

HASS SPARK OFF THE BENCH--Sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who missed the first two games of the season after having an appendectomy Nov. 20, has been a spark plug for Minnesota off the bench. **Hass** is third on the team in scoring with 8.7 points a game. She had a career-high 19 points against Illinois and followed that with 14 versus Michigan State.

Hass also leads the team in three-point shooting with 16 this season.

UP NEXT--Minnesota travels to Indianapolis, Ind., for the 1997 Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament. The tournament is slated for February 28-March 3 at the RCA Dome.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO UMASS--The 16th-ranked University of Minnesota women's gymnastics team, coming off a school-record performance against No. 2 Utah, travels to Amherst, Mass., for a dual meet with the University of Massachusetts at 7 p.m. Saturday night. Minnesota is 5-3 following a thrilling 195.05-195.00 loss to Utah at the Sports Pavilion. The Gophers' team score was a school record, breaking the mark of 194.700 which was set against Utah last season. Massachusetts is also 5-3 after beating Air Force and Yale in its last meet.

MASSACHUSETTS--Massachusetts is 5-3 on the season with losses to Michigan, Penn State and New Hampshire. Michigan is the only common opponent between the Gophers and Minutewomen, with both teams losing to the Wolverines. UMass has been improving with each meet, posting scores of 193.7, 194.925 and 194.85 in its last three meets. Senior **Tara Swartz** is the team's top all-arounder, with a 38.975 score in UMass' last meet against Air Force and Yale. That performance included a 9.95 on the uneven bars. Head coach **David Kuzara** is in his fourth season as head coach of UMass, with a 45-25 record. Minnesota leads the series with Massachusetts, 1-0.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON--Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, **Stephenson** owns a 55-69 overall record at Minnesota. **Stephenson** came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES--**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHERS SET SCHOOL RECORD IN LOSS TO UTAH--No one gave the Gophers much of a chance against No. 2 Utah, but Minnesota came within .05 of pulling a major upset. Despite the loss, the Gophers had the most successful meet in school history, setting a Minnesota record with a team score of 195.0. That broke the old mark of 194.7 set against Utah last season. For the second year in a row, the Gophers had their best meet against Utah, but were not able to overcome a mighty opponent. Minnesota's team scores in the vault (48.55), uneven bars (48.8) and floor exercise (49.225) were each the second-best in school history.

It was also a record-setting night for Gopher frosh **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/ MEXICANA DEL NORESTE)**. **Cavazos**, in only her sixth collegiate meet, broke the Minnesota record in the all-around with a score of 39.3, good enough to win the event. **Cavazos'** score moved her ahead of two of the biggest names in Minnesota gymnastics history, current junior **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** and former Gopher **Marie**

Roethlisberger, who shared the previous record of 39.075. **Cavazos** set personal records in all four events.

Other individual event winners for Minnesota were junior **KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT)**, who tied for first on the vault with a 9.8, and **Cavazos** and senior **KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG)**, who tied for first on the floor exercise with scores of 9.875.

As expected, the final rotation was where the drama unfolded, as each team was on its best event. Utah entered the balance beam competition with a 146.650-145.775 lead on Minnesota, which was beginning the floor exercise. Utah gave the Gophers an opening when two of its gymnasts fell off the beam, but sophomore **Summer Reid**, the defending NCAA balance beam champion, came through with a 9.9 as Utah's final competitor to give her team the narrow victory.

ANATOMY OF A RECORD—For the third consecutive week, the Gophers recorded their highest score of the season. Only five of the Gophers' 24 competitors registered scores of below 9.650 and nine had marks of better than 9.9. Minnesota had a competitor finish no worse than second place in any event. The Gophers overall score and vault score were its best ever at the Sports Pavilion. There were 12 season-highs set or tied by Gopher gymnasts and seven career-highs set or tied, five by **Cavazos**.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS—In only six meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** has earned four all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did on Saturday night. Competing against Utah's **Traci Sommer** and **Denise Jones**, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, **Cavazos** broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. **Sommer** scored 39.1 and **Jones** had 39.025. **Cavazos** also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. **Cavazos** has recorded three of the top eight all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of Minnesota. Against Michigan, she finished second to the Wolverines' **Sarah Cain**, but beat defending Big Ten champion **Beth Amelkovich** of the Wolverines in the process. With a little more than a month before this year's Big Ten meet at the Sports Pavilion, **Cavazos** has become one of the favorites for the title in just her first season of collegiate gymnastics.

VAULTING TO THE TOP—Minnesota has recorded its top two vault scores ever in the past two meets. The Gophers' score of 48.55 on Saturday was its second-best ever, behind only the previous week's mark of 48.75 at Iowa State. Juniors **STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR)** and **Kim Sveum** share the team's season high with 9.8's against Iowa State and Utah, respectively. Coach **Jim Stephenson** tabbed the vault as Minnesota's most improved event at the beginning of the season, and the Gophers have now recorded five of their nine best team scores ever on the event in only six meets.

KNAEBLE FLOORS 'EM AGAIN—In all five of Minnesota's meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble**, who is ranked fifth in the nation in the event, continued her outstanding season on the floor with a 9.85 against Utah. She broke the school record in the event on Jan. 18 with a 9.925 at Michigan, and she scored 9.9 at the season-opening Best of Minnesota meet and in a dual meet with Arizona. **Knaeble** now has five of the Gophers' six best marks ever in the event and eight of the top 18, including the 9.925, which tied the Minnesota individual record for any apparatus. **Knaeble**, the defending Big Ten champion in the floor exercise, has won the floor exercise in five of Minnesota's six meets this year.

MORE ON THE FLOOR—**Mindy Knaeble** isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked fourth in the nation on the floor exercise, and the team has recorded the second-, third-, fourth-, sixth- and eighth- best scores in school history in the event so far this season. Their 49.225 mark against Utah ranks No. 2 all-time, following marks of 49.125 (No. 4) against Utah State, 48.875 (No. 8) against Arizona, 48.95 (No. 6) against Michigan and 49.2 (No. 3) at the Best of Minnesota. Minnesota is taking dead aim on the school record of 49.275, which was set against Utah last season. Four Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including **Knaeble's** school record. **Kristen Vandersall**, ranked 12th in the nation on the floor exercise, tied her personal best against Utah with a 9.875, and **Judith Cavazos** also set a personal record with a 9.875 against Utah. Senior **JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI)** tied her career-high at the Best of Minnesota with a 9.875. **Knaeble, Vandersall** and **Hammons** have combined to produce 16 of Minnesota's 18 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only **Lori Kindler**, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

PERSONAL HIGHS ABOUND—Here's a rundown of the career highs and season highs set by Gopher gymnasts during the meet.

Career highs

Frosh **Judith Cavazos**

Vault—9.725

Uneven bars—9.85

Balance beam—9.85

Floor exercise—9.875

All-around—39.3

Sophomore **JENNY MAZZONE (SPARKS, NV/MCQUEEN)**

Uneven bars—9.7

Senior **Kristen Vandersall**

Floor exercise—9.875 (tie)

Season highs (not including career highs)

Sophomore **CATHY KEYSER (PLYMOUTH, MN/LAKE FININDERO H.S.-AUSTRALIA)**

Uneven bars—9.775

Balance beam—9.825

Junior **Mindy Knaeble**

Balance beam—9.875

Junior **Kim Sveum**

Vault—9.8

Junior **MOLLY UMLAND (BROOKLYN PARK, MN/PARK CENTER)**

Uneven bars—9.725

MINNESOTA HOSTS BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS—The

University of Minnesota will host the Big Ten Gymnastics Championships on March 22-23 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet will include both the men's and women's championships. The women's event will begin at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 22. Tickets are now on sale. To order tickets or for more information, call the Gopher ticket office at 624-8080 during normal business hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE—Minnesota returns home following its trip to Massachusetts for a triangular meet with Big Ten rivals Ohio State and Illinois at 7 p.m. Sat., March 1 at the Sports Pavilion. The Gophers have two of their final three regular season meets of the season at home, before hosting the Big Ten Championships.



LEHMAN AND TAYLOR MADE DONATE \$5000 TO WOMEN'S GOLF --Former University of Minnesota men's golfer Tom Lehman and Taylor Made Golf Company donated \$5,000 to the women's golf program on Jan. 23, Kathy Williams, head women's golf coach said. "The money has been earmarked to help cover expenses towards our team's trip to Scotland, Aug. 18-29."

GOPHERS RANKED 20TH – The University of Minnesota women's golf team is ranked 20th in the pre-spring season NCAA Golfstat standings. Golfstat statistical team rankings also have Minnesota ranked first in the nation in birdies scored at 132. The Gophers are also ranked fifth in both par 5 scoring and subpar strokes per round. Individually at the national level, junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI)** is in a four-way tie for second for the number of eagles scored, two, during the fall season. Junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)** is tied for eighth in the country for the low individual round at 70.

GOLFERS OPEN SPRING SEASON IN ARIZONA --

The University of Minnesota women's golf team opens its spring season at the Midwest Classic, Feb. 19-23, in Surprise, Ariz. Joining the Gophers in the nine-team field are Michigan State, Illinois State, Northwestern, Penn State, Northern Illinois, Michigan, Notre Dame and Southern Illinois. The Midwest Classic is at the Desert Springs Golf Club in Surprise.

The Gopher line-up is:

- No. 1 Junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)**
- No. 2 Senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVERS FALLS, WI)**
- No. 3 Senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)**
- No. 4 Junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI)**
- No. 5 Sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)**
- No. 6 Sophomore **MICHELLE BALLOU (CHASKA, MN)**

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-1	2-0			6-4		10-5	.667
Jennifer Hayes					0-1		0-6		0-7	.000
Jana Hrdinova				1-0	3-0		6-4		10-4	.714
Alice Rangsithienchai		5-0					7-3		12-3	.800
Nora Sauska	5-0						10-1		15-1	.937
Kim Simonsen				2-0	1-0	1-0	6-4		10-4	.714
Jenni Svehla			1-1				5-6		6-7	.461
Helen Wang						4-0	7-4		11-4	.733
Totals							47-31		76-34	.691

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-3		4-3	.667
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	4-1					4-1	.800
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes			4-1			4-1	.800
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-1				2-1	.667
				13-13		25-16	.610

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 5-0 Big Ten: 2-0 Home: 5-0 Away: Neutral:

Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa		
2/28/97	at Syracuse		
3/1	vs. Maryland		
3/7	Ohio State		
3/9	Indiana		
3/24-30	at Hawaii		
4/4	Penn State		
4/12	at Michigan		
4/13	at Michigan State		
4/19	at Northwestern		
4/20	at Wisconsin		
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 24 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	24/ 24	136/ 285	.477	2/ 9	.222	130/ 173	.752	404	16.8	123	174	297	12.4	74/ 1	36	72	11	29	788		
Mindy Hansen	24/ 16	111/ 305	.364	14/ 64	.219	43/ 70	.614	279	11.6	26	71	97	4.0	50/ 1	74	121	10	39	768		
Lynda Hass	22/ 1	70/ 174	.402	16/ 60	.267	36/ 50	.720	192	8.7	37	40	77	3.5	36/ 1	28	49	2	16	494		
Sarah Klun	24/ 24	80/ 197	.406	2/ 10	.200	40/ 45	.889	202	8.4	37	57	94	3.9	69/ 3	32	74	2	19	588		
Kiauna Burns	24/ 12	62/ 159	.390	6/ 38	.158	36/ 71	.507	166	6.9	18	40	58	2.4	58/ 2	71	113	3	52	743		
Sonja Robinson	24/ 20	54/ 154	.351	0/ 3	.000	33/ 49	.674	141	5.9	38	57	95	4.0	57/ 1	38	62	11	22	607		
Jaime Ellis	23/ 23	32/ 92	.348	11/ 50	.220	10/ 13	.769	85	3.7	5	21	26	1.1	31/ 0	46	62	2	14	447		
Andrea Seago	24/ 0	29/ 65	.446	0/ 0	.000	10/ 13	.769	68	2.8	12	41	53	2.2	39/ 0	7	17	8	1	312		
Si Nonginthirath	4/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	1.0	0	2	2	.5	2/ 0	1	6	0	1	16		
Margaret Blom	5/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	2	3	.6	5/ 0	0	2	2	1	30		
Teresa O'Hearn	7/ 0	0/ 1	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	.1	0/ 0	0	2	0	0	17		
StephanieStromm	4/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 1	.000	0	.0	1	3	4	1.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	15		
Team Rebounds													149								
Golden Gophers	24/ 24	576/1439	.400	51/ 236	.216	338/ 485	.697	1541	64.2	299	508	956	39.8	421/ 9	333	580	51	196	--		
Team Rebounds													118								
Opponent Totals	24/ 24	724/1679	.431	101/ 353	.286	322/ 469	.687	1871	78.0	397	531	1046	43.6	442/ 7	430	459	99	332	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/--TOTAL--/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	5.7	11.9	.1	.4	5.4	7.2	16.8	12.4	1.5	3.0	.5	1.2	32.8
Mindy Hansen	4.6	12.7	.6	2.7	1.8	2.9	11.6	4.0	3.1	5.0	.4	1.6	32.0
Lynda Hass	3.2	7.9	.7	2.7	1.6	2.3	8.7	3.5	1.3	2.2	.1	.7	22.5
Sarah Klun	3.3	8.2	.1	.4	1.7	1.9	8.4	3.9	1.3	3.1	.1	.8	24.5
Kiauna Burns	2.6	6.6	.3	1.6	1.5	3.0	6.9	2.4	3.0	4.7	.1	2.2	31.0
Sonja Robinson	2.3	6.4	.0	.1	1.4	2.0	5.9	4.0	1.6	2.6	.5	.9	25.3
Jaime Ellis	1.4	4.0	.5	2.2	.4	.6	3.7	1.1	2.0	2.7	.1	.6	19.4
Andrea Seago	1.2	2.7	.0	.0	.4	.5	2.8	2.2	.3	.7	.3	.0	13.0
Si Nonginthirath	.5	.8	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.0	.5	.3	1.5	.0	.3	4.0
Margaret Blom	.0	.4	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.6	.0	.4	.4	.2	6.0
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.1	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.1	.0	.3	.0	.0	2.4
StephanieStrommen	.0	.5	.0	.5	.0	.3	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.5	3.8
Golden Gophers	24.0	60.0	2.1	9.8	14.1	20.2	64.2	39.8	13.9	24.2	2.1	8.2	----
Opponent Totals	30.2	70.0	4.2	14.7	13.4	19.5	78.0	43.6	17.9	19.1	4.1	13.8	----

Big Ten Stats
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 14 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB								
Angie Iverson	14/ 14	94/ 189	.497	2/ 8	.250	78/ 99	.788	268	19.1	68	100	168	12.0	44/ 1	24	38	8	23	480	
Mindy Hansen	14/ 6	62/ 165	.376	7/ 35	.200	25/ 36	.694	156	11.1	14	34	48	3.4	35/ 0	43	65	6	23	432	
Lynda Hass	14/ 1	48/ 125	.384	12/ 49	.245	21/ 26	.808	129	9.2	19	27	46	3.3	24/ 0	22	35	0	10	342	
Sarah Klun	14/ 14	47/ 109	.431	2/ 7	.286	17/ 21	.810	113	8.1	23	38	61	4.4	39/ 1	16	48	1	5	332	
Kiauna Burns	14/ 11	39/ 97	.402	2/ 20	.100	25/ 42	.595	105	7.5	11	23	34	2.4	37/ 0	46	71	1	29	479	
Sonja Robinson	14/ 10	28/ 75	.373	0/ 1	.000	14/ 20	.700	70	5.0	17	21	38	2.7	35/ 0	21	33	6	13	323	
Andrea Seago	14/ 0	16/ 40	.400	0/ 0	.000	5/ 6	.833	37	2.6	6	23	29	2.1	26/ 0	4	6	1	1	180	
Jaime Ellis	14/ 14	16/ 42	.381	3/ 14	.214	1/ 2	.500	36	2.6	4	12	16	1.1	12/ 0	14	35	0	6	196	
Si Nonginthirath	3/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	1.3	0	2	2	.7	2/ 0	1	6	0	1	15	
Margaret Blom	4/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	1	2	.5	5/ 0	0	2	2	1	19	
Teresa O'Hearn	6/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0	12	
StephanieStromm	4/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 1	.000	0	.0	1	3	4	1.0	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	15	
Team Rebounds													80							

Golden Gophers 14/ 14 352/ 849 .415 28/ 136 .206 186/ 253 .735 918 65.6 164 284 528 37.7 259/ 2 191 339 25 114 --

Team Rebounds

77

Opponent Totals 14/ 14 451/1000 .451 55/ 209 .263 206/ 287 .718 1163 83.1 231 302 610 43.6 241/ 2 275 251 58 197 --

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	6.7	13.5	.1	.6	5.6	7.1	19.1	12.0	1.7	2.7	.6	1.6	34.3
Mindy Hansen	4.4	11.8	.5	2.5	1.8	2.6	11.1	3.4	3.1	4.6	.4	1.6	30.9
Lynda Hass	3.4	8.9	.9	3.5	1.5	1.9	9.2	3.3	1.6	2.5	.0	.7	24.4
Sarah Klun	3.4	7.8	.1	.5	1.2	1.5	8.1	4.4	1.1	3.4	.1	.4	23.7
Kiauna Burns	2.8	6.9	.1	1.4	1.8	3.0	7.5	2.4	3.3	5.1	.1	2.1	34.2
Sonja Robinson	2.0	5.4	.0	.1	1.0	1.4	5.0	2.7	1.5	2.4	.4	.9	23.1
Andrea Seago	1.1	2.9	.0	.0	.4	.4	2.6	2.1	.3	.4	.1	.1	12.9
Jaime Ellis	1.1	3.0	.2	1.0	.1	.1	2.6	1.1	1.0	2.5	.0	.4	14.0
Si Nonginthirath	.7	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	1.3	.7	.3	2.0	.0	.3	5.0
Margaret Blom	.0	.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.5	.0	.5	.5	.3	4.8
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	2.0
StephanieStrommen	.0	.5	.0	.5	.0	.3	.0	1.0	.0	.0	.0	.5	3.8

Golden Gophers 25.1 60.6 2.0 9.7 13.3 18.1 65.6 37.7 13.6 24.2 1.8 8.1 ----

Opponent Totals 32.2 71.4 3.9 14.9 14.7 20.5 83.1 43.6 19.6 17.9 4.1 14.1 ----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	715	815	11	0	1541	58
Opponent Totals	881	975	15	0	1871	52

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	3-21	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	43856	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	1827
Big Ten	1-13	HOME	15573	HOME AVERAGE	1298
Dial Soap Classic	1-1	AWAY	28283	AWAY AVERAGE	2357
UNLV Classic	1-1				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61-70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69-73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	!Wyoming	68-66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	!James Madison	56-64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60-78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62-75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63-66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	@Stephen F. Austin	63-80	L	100 Iverson, 18	Iverson, 9	Price, 24	Davis, Smith, 9
9	12/20	@Fairfield	74-68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen, 13	Iverson, 15	Grossarth, 28	Driscoll, 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48-61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63-82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61-67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47-68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	01/10	*Illinois	85-89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	01/12	*Michigan State	65-76	L H	1288 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7
16	01/17	*Ohio State	61-84	L A	3835 Hansen, 18	Klun, 6	Jones, 25	Jones, 9
17	01/19	*Northwestern	84-91	L H	2122 Hansen, 24	Iverson, 14	Chawansky, 27	Ratay, 8
18	01/24	*Penn State	62-83	L A	5646 Klun, 18	Iverson, 14	Potthoff, 20	Garner, 9
19	01/26	*#13 Wisconsin	57-84	L A	7260 Hass, 16	Klun, 7	Klapp, Wiersma, 17	Wiersma, 9
20	01/31	*Purdue	64-82	L H	1077 Iverson, 28	Iverson, 12	Roland, 27	Yasen, 7
21	02/02	*Ohio State	66-64	W H	1403 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 9	Moua, 13	Jones, 11
22	02/07	*Michigan State	51-102	L A	3788 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 13	Engen, 22	Rasmussen, 11
23	02/09	*#25 Illinois	76-95	L A	3235 Iverson, 30	Iverson, 18	Berggren, 20	Vasey, 13
24	02/16	*Indiana	75-103	L H	2045 Hansen, 23	Iverson, 15	Vesel, 22	Kerns, Honegger, 4

* Big Ten ! Dial Soap Classic @ UNLV Classic

University of Minnesota 1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 13-0 Big Ten: 7-0 Invitationals: 2-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State	W	#9	178-117
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Wisconsin	W	#9	243-105
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue	W	#9	243-107
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois	W	#9	219-130
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa	W	#8	187-106
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge		#8	Unscored
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Championships			
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/2/97	Go-Pher Invitational			
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)

Jenny Hennen	23.67 •
Amy Cottrill	23.95
Terri Jashinsky	24.34
Devon Coellner	24.34
Beth Shimanski	24.38

100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)

Jenny Hennen	51.28 •
Amy Cottrill	51.80
Terri Jashinsky	52.49
Devon Coellner	53.05
Olga Splichalova	53.11

200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)

Jenny Hennen	1:50.11 •
Olga Splichalova	1:50.19 •
Terri Jashinsky	1:52.98
Alicia Hicken	1:53.56
Amy Cottrill	1:54.66

500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.54)

Olga Splichalova	4:50.45 •
Kimberly Wilson	4:56.98
Jenny Hennen	4:58.75
Alicia Hicken	4:59.68
Jessica Grass	5:01.59

1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68\$)

Olga Splichalova	9:50.10
Kimberly Wilson	10:02.04
Alicia Hicken	10:14.87
Jessica Grass	10:19.90
Jenny Hennen	10:21.44

1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)

Olga Splichalova	16:27.68 •
Kimberly Wilson	16:46.66 •
Alicia Hicken	17:06.47
Marta Knowles	17:47.14
Elizabeth Weld	18:08.52

100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)

Shona Baillie	58.07
Beth Shimanski	58.17
Carrie Raeth	1:00.30
Marta Knowles	1:00.38
Terri Jashinsky	1:01.56

200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)

Marta Knowles	2:05.11
Kimberly Wilson	2:05.96
Beth Shimanski	2:09.21
Amy Cottrill	2:10.13
Alicia Hicken	2:12.12

100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03)

Gretchen Hegener	1:02.21 #
Devon Coellner	1:05.66
Kate McMillan	1:06.01
Michelle Fischer	1:07.58
Katie Olson	1:08.18

200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:15.49)

Gretchen Hegener	2:15.49 **
Kate McMillan	2:22.33
Devon Coellner	2:23.22
Michelle Fischer	2:24.19
Jessica Grass	2:25.94

100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)

Tanya Schuh	54.86 #
Terry Jashinsky	56.31 •
Jenny Hennen	57.92
Carrie Raeth	58.56
Jessica Grass	58.94

200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)

Jessica Grass	2:02.73 •
Terri Jashinsky	2:03.05 •
Jenny Hennen	2:04.25
Tanya Schuh	2:05.33
Kimberly Wilson	2:07.64

200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)

Jenny Hennen	2:06.46
Jessica Grass	2:07.38
Devon Coellner	2:08.44
Terri Jashinsky	2:08.72
Kimberly Wilson	2:10.48

400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)

Olga Splichalova	4:21.91 •
Jessica Grass	4:22.52 •
Marta Knowles	4:30.41
Kimberly Wilson	4:30.66

200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)

1:35.14 - Amy Cottrill, Gretchen Hegener, Devon Coellner, Jenny Hennen

400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)

3:28.42 - Terri Jashinsky, Amy Cottrill, Suzie Helvig, Jenny Hennen

800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29)

7:29.05 - Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Olga Splichalova

200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.44)

1:43.18 - Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05)

3:46.10 - Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)

Carrie Hansen	272.40 %
Andrea Berg	268.90 %
Jenny Cook	253.73 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	233.25
Andrea Wheeler	173.95

1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)

Carrie Hansen	430.15 %
Andrea Berg	428.75 %
Jenny Cook	351.35
Shelby Evadine Miller	325.70
Andrea Wheeler	213.10

3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)

Carrie Hansen	291.40 %
Andrea Berg	283.65 %
Jenny Cook	272.63 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	254.55
Andrea Wheeler	188.70

3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)

Andrea Berg	516.90 %
Carrie Hansen	469.35 %
Jenny Cook	430.90 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	384.00
Andrea Wheeler	280.10

Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)

Carrie Hansen	325.35 %
Jenny Cook	287.10
Andrea Wheeler	264.25

Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

\$Lead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time
•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

55 Meters

1. Chanteau White (c) (finals) *, ***	:06.97
2. Chanteau White (c) (trials)	:07.06
3. Chanteau White (a) (finals)	:07.21
Chanteau White (a) (trials)	:07.21

200 meters

1. Yvette White (c)	:25.76
2. Shellie Braggs (c)	:25.93
3. Kim Heath (e)	:26.33

400 meters

1. Yvette White (e) *	:56.71
2. Shellie Braggs (e)	:58.49
3. Alisa Gartner	1:00.14

600 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (f)	1:37.53
2. Alissa Bruss (f)	1:40.25
3. Carrie Daniel (f)	1:40.97

800 meters

1. Andrea Lentz (f)	2:17.14
2. Kristie Stiles (c)	2:19.88
3. Minna Haronoja (e)	2:21.15

Mile

1. Andrea Lentz (e)	5:01.52
2. Andrea Lentz (c)	5:03.52
2. Karen Kleindl (e)	5:07.93

3000 meters

1. Daphne Panhuysen (a) **, ***	9:46.80
2. Daphne Panhuysen (e)	9:47.13
3. Daphne Panhuysen (c)	9:48.28

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (e)	17:11.60
2. Kari Thompson (e)	17:26.60
3. Kari Thompson (c)	17:28.27

55 meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (c)	:08.20
2. Yvette White (f)	:08.40
3. Chanteau White (c)	:08.49

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Braggs, Y. White, Fuller, Gartner (e)	3:53.79
2. Smith, Braggs, Gartner, Y. White (f)	3:56.88
3. Panhuysen, Daniel, Haronoja, Stiles (f)	4:06.18

Distance Medley Relay

1. Minnesota (c)	12:31.35
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High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (e)	5-4 1/2 (1.64m)
2. Apasha Blocker (f)	5-3 3/4 (1.62m)

Long Jump

1. Chanteau White (e) *, ***	19-11 1/2 (6.08m)
2. Natalie Smith (e) **	19-3 (5.87m)
3. Natalie Smith (d)	18-8 (5.69m)
Chanteau White (c)	18-8 (5.69m)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (e) *, ***	41-3 3/4 (41-3 3/4m)
2. Christine Gulbrandsen (b) **	41-0 1/2 (12.51m)
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (a)	40-11 (12.47m)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (e) ***	48-7 1/2 (14.82m)
2. Dani Parkos (f) ***	48-6 1/4 (14.79m)
3. Dani Parkos (d) ***	47-9 (14.55m)

* Minnesota record

** Frosh record

*** NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, WI)

(c) Minnesota Invitational (Minneapolis, MN)

(d) Mercantile Bank Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)

(f) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis, MN)

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 5-3 Dual: 2-3 Invites: 3-0 Home: 4-1 Away: 1-2 Big Ten: 0-1 Top 25: 1-3

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/22--at UMass										
3/1--Ohio State										
Illinois										
3/9--at Missouri										
3/14--Iowa State										
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										
Raw Average:	193.179									
RQS*:	193.069									

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining four scores are averaged. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Twice, last by Kim Sveum	9.800	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.850	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.875	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Mindy Knaeble	9.925*	at Michigan (1/18/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM VAULT	48.750*		at Iowa State (2/8/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	48.800		vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	48.425		vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	49.225		vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	195.000*		vs. Utah (2/15/97)

*-school record

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.800	9.725				9.750					9.750	9.800	9.700	
Season Average	9.696	9.571				9.679					9.596	9.650	9.542	
Career Best	9.825	9.725		9.725		9.825		8.250		9.125	9.750	9.900	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.620	9.571		9.488		9.648		8.250		9.038	9.596	9.644	9.449	9.119
BARS														
Season Best		9.850	8.050		9.775		9.700			9.700			9.725	9.800
Season Average		9.671	8.050		9.363		9.545			9.613			9.629	9.338
Career Best	9.575	9.850	8.050		9.900	9.800	9.700			9.775		9.500	9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.671	8.050		9.545	9.323	9.545			9.341		9.381	9.547	9.518
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.850			9.825	9.875	8.950	9.550		9.775				
Season Average	9.321	9.567			9.571	9.688	8.950	9.330		9.583				
Career Best	9.825	9.850		9.725	9.925	9.900	8.950	9.775		9.825		9.775		
Career Average	9.406	9.567		9.375	9.576	9.646	8.950	9.372		9.542		9.129		
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.875		9.875		9.925		9.800				9.750		9.875
Season Average		9.817		9.738		9.879		9.571				9.608		9.854
Career Best	9.600	9.875		9.875	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.875
Career Average	9.421	9.817		9.685	9.423	9.706		9.437		9.396		9.625		9.630
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		39.300												
Season Average		38.625												
Career Best	38.275	39.300				39.075				37.900		38.375		
Career Average	37.486	38.625				38.404				37.575		37.833		



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Catch what you've been missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, February 27

SB at at Troy Cox Invitational
(Las Cruces, NM)

Friday, February 28

BKB at Big Ten Tournament
vs. Wisconsin 7 p.m.
(Indianapolis, IN)
SB at Troy Cox Invitational
(Las Cruces, NM)
TN at Syracuse
(Syracuse, NY)
TR at Iowa State Last Chance
(Ames, Iowa)

Saturday, March 1

GY hosts Illinois, Ohio State 7 p.m.
BKB at the Big Ten Tournament
SB at Troy Cox Invitational
TN vs. Maryland
(Syracuse, NY)

Sunday, March 2

BKB at Big Ten Tournament
SB at Troy Cox Invitational

Monday, March 3

BKB at Big Ten Tournament

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Gymnastics hosts Big Ten rivals Illinois and Ohio State at Sports Pavilion
- Basketball plays Wisconsin in Big Ten Tournament
- Iverson hopes for all-Big Ten selection this week
- Softball tries to make it two championships in a row
- Tennis takes undefeated record on the road against nationally-ranked Syracuse and Maryland

Last Week's Highlights

- #10 Swimming and Diving places second at Big Ten's; have Minnesota record seven Big Ten Champions
- Gretchen Hegener named co-Big Ten Swimmer of the Year
- #20 Softball wins Triangle Classic; 14-2 on the season
- Track and Field is sixth at Big Ten's; Chanteau White automatically qualifies for NCAA Championships
- Gymnastics Stacey Batza ties Minnesota vault record
- Iverson records 17th double-double of the season
- Golf places second at Midwest Invitational

Announcements

WOMEN'S ATHLETICS TO SPONSOR BOOK FAIR--The University of Minnesota Women's Athletics Department and Barnes & Noble Bookstores are sponsoring a Book Fair on Saturday, March 8, at the Barnes & Noble store located on 3216 W. Lake Street (near Lake Calhoun). The Fair will take place from 1-3 p.m. and a portion of the proceeds from the event will benefit the Berg Scholarship Fund.

TICKETS FOR THE 1997 BIG TEN GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS ON SALE--Tickets for the 1997 Big Ten Gymnastics Championships are now on sale at the Gopher Ticket Office. Please call 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER to order your tickets.

Basketball

MINNESOTA PLAYS WISCONSIN AT BIG TEN TOURNAMENT--Minnesota, 3-23 overall and 1-15 in the Big Ten, travels to Indianapolis for the 1997 Big Ten Tournament. Minnesota, who is the 11th seed, will play #6-seed Wisconsin in the first round Friday, Feb. 28, at 8 p.m. Wisconsin is 16-10 overall and 8-8 in the Big Ten Conference after losing seven of its last nine games to close out the season.

THE BIG TEN TOURNAMENT--The 1997 Big Ten Women's Basketball Tournament has moved from the Hinkle Fieldhouse on the campus of Butler University to the RCA Dome this season. The tournament is a four-day affair beginning Friday, Feb. 28-Monday, Mar. 3. Purdue, with its 80-75 victory over Illinois Sunday, claimed the #1 seed for this season's tournament, with Michigan State the second seed and Illinois #3. The following is the tournament bracket for this weekend's tournament (All times are EST):

Friday, February 28

Game 1: #8 Indiana vs. #9 Michigan	4 p.m.
Game 2: #7 Penn State vs. #10 Ohio State	6 p.m.
Game 3: #6 Wisconsin vs. #11 Minnesota	8 p.m.

Saturday, March 1

Game 4: Winner of game 1 vs. #1 Purdue	1 p.m.
Game 5: #4 Iowa vs. #5 Northwestern	3 p.m.
Game 6: Winner of game 2 vs. #2 Michigan State	6 p.m.
Game 7: Winner of game 3 vs. #3 Illinois	8 p.m.

Sunday, March 2

Game 8: Winner of game 4 vs. winner of game 5	3:30 p.m.
Game 9: Winner of game 6 vs. winner of game 7	6 p.m.

Monday, March 3

Game 10: Winner of game 8 vs. winner of game 9	7 p.m.
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BIG TEN TOURNEY ON TV--Sports Channel Chicago will be broadcasting the semifinal games of the Big Ten Tournament, while the championship game will be aired on ESPN2 Monday, March 3, at 6 p.m. Midwest Sports Channel will pick up the semifinal games with the 6 p.m. game being shown live and the 3:30 game to be aired on a tape delay basis early Monday morning.

MINNESOTA IN THE BIG TEN TOURNAMENT--

Minnesota has not had much success in the Big Ten Tournament as it holds an 0-2 record. Minnesota lost to Iowa, 57-44, in the inaugural year of the tournament and then lost to Ohio State, 78-64, last season.

THE PROBABLE STARTERS-- MINDY HANSEN

(CHASKA, MN/CHASKA), who started the first 15 games of the season, but had come off the bench during the past eight games, is starting once again for the Gophers. SONJA ROBINSON (SCOTTSDALE, AZ/CHAPARRAL) who had taken Hansen's place in the starting lineup, is once again

coming off the bench for the Gophers. The starting lineup now features two juniors in **ANGIE IVERSON (OWATONNA, MN/OWATONNA)** and **JAIME ELLIS (LAKE OSWEGO, OR/LAKE OSWEGO)**, two sophomores (**Hansen** and **SARAH KLUN (MADISON, WI/LAFOLLETTE)**) and a first-year athlete (**KIAUNA BURNS (LITCHFIELD, MN/LITCHFIELD)**). The probable starting lineup:

#23	G	Kiauna Burns	5-7	Fr.	Litchfield, Minn./Litchfield
#15	G	Jaime Ellis	5-9	Jr.	Lake Oswego, Ore./ Lake Oswego
#53	C	Angie Iverson	6-0	Jr.	Owatonna, Minn./Owatonna
#45	F	Sarah Klun	6-0	So.	Madison, Wis./LaFollette
#21	F	Sonja Robinson	5-10	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz./Chaparral
OR					
#12	G	Mindy Hansen	5-9	So.	Chaska, Minn./Chaska

The Reserves

#22	G	Stephanie Strommen	5-8	So.	Bloomington, Minn./ Kennedy/Arizona St.
#24	C	Margaret Blom	6-1	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis./Rufus King
#25	G	Sy Nonginthirath	5-5	Sr.	Edgerton, Minn./Southwest Christian/Dordt College
#32	F	Lynda Hass	6-1	So.	St. Francis, Minn./St. Francis
#33	F	Teresa O'Hearn	6-0	Jr.	Champlin, MN/Anoka
#35	C	Andrea Seago	6-3	Fr.	Cherry Valley, Ill./Guilford

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has struggled with injuries and inexperience this season, but has the heart of a champion making it through a difficult year.

Minnesota has suffered through a number of injuries this season, three of which were season- or career-ending before the year began. The Gophers have been healthier of late not suffering an injury that would require missed playing time for over a month.

Leading the way for the Gophers is junior forward **Angie Iverson**, who is attempting to earn first-team all-Big Ten honors. Iverson would be the first player since **Carol Ann Shudlick** to receive the honor for the Gophers. Iverson definitely has the numbers to back up her cause as she leads the Gophers in scoring and rebounding at 16.8 points and 12.1 boards a game, respectively. Iverson is second in the nation in rebounding per game and led the nation in total rebounds before this weekend. She is also seventh in the Big Ten in overall scoring and fourth in conference games at 18.8. Iverson has recorded 17 double-doubles on the season and set a Minnesota and Big Ten record with 25 rebounds against Colorado State in December. She also had a career-high 30 points and 18 rebounds against Illinois earlier in the season.

Junior starting point guard **Jaime Ellis** is suffering from a stress fracture and was limited to only 16 minutes a contest until three weeks ago. Ellis has given way at the point to newcomer **Kiauna Burns** and sophomore **Mindy Hansen**. Burns is averaging 31 minutes a game this season and has started the last 14 games. Hansen is second on the team in scoring at 11.5. Add that to **Sarah Klun**, who is back from ACL surgery that kept her out last season and averaging 8.5 points and 3.7 rebounds a game, and sophomore **Lynda Hass**, who is fourth on the team in scoring at 8.3 points, coming off the bench for the Gophers and Minnesota has a solid nucleus for next season.

Other players in Minnesota's rotation include sophomore **Sonja Robinson**, at 6.0 points and 3.9 rebounds, and center

Andrea Seago, the only true center on the Minnesota roster, at 2.7 points and 2.3 rebounds.

THE HEAD COACH--**Linda Hill-MacDonald** is in her seventh season with the Gophers and has a 65-125 record at Minnesota. Hill-MacDonald led the Gophers to their first-ever NCAA tournament bid in 1994 and was the coach during the four-year tenure of Wade Trophy recipient and first-team all-American **Carol Ann Shudlick**. For her career, Hill-MacDonald has a record of 230-255 in 16 seasons, 10 of those at Temple, where she finished fifth in the 1982 NWIT Tournament and won three Big 5 Championships.

IS THERE A DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE?--The Gophers have struggled with injuries the entire season. Minnesota lost three players before the year even began to season- and career-ending injuries and has suffered continuous injuries throughout the season. Here is the injury timeline of the Gophers this season:

September 13, 1996-- All-Big Ten honorable mention center **Cheri Stafford** is done for her career after having knee surgery over the summer. For Stafford it was her third leg injury in four seasons, and doctors advised her to quit playing basketball. Stafford was the Gophers' leading scorer in 1996 at 12 points a game and was second in rebounding at six a game. She was the only player to start all 26 games for the maroon and gold in 1996.

September, 1996--Point guard **Swantreca Taylor** takes a medical hardship this season due to personal health considerations. Taylor was the backup to **Jaime Ellis** last season and averaged 2.2 points and 1.6 rebounds a contest.

October 15, 1996--Forward **Sarah Schieber** tore her ACL during the first practice of the season. Schieber had surgery Dec. 6, and is lost for the season. Schieber was the leading three-point shooter for the Gophers last year, connecting on 41 percent.

November 20, 1996--Forward **Lynda Hass** is fully recovered after having an emergency appendectomy Nov. 20. Hass missed the first two games of the year but has been a major contributor for the Gophers and is currently fourth on the squad in scoring.

December, 1996--Starting point guard **Jaime Ellis**, who had averaged 34 minutes a game, is diagnosed with a stress fracture and is limited to 16 minutes a game.

December 30, 1996--Reserve **Andrea Seago** suffered a nasal fracture when **Angie Iverson** caught her with an elbow.

January 3, 1997--**Teresa O'Hearn** suffers a sprain of the right ankle. She missed the Indiana game, but returned for the Nebraska contest.

January 3, 1997--Reserve **Margaret Blom** missed the Indiana game due to migraine headaches.

January 7, 1997--**Jaime Ellis** missed the Nebraska game due to a stress fracture.

KNOCK ON WOOD--Minnesota has finally experienced some good luck lately as the team has gone one month without a serious injury to a player. **Jaime Ellis** is finally off restriction for her stress fracture and should see more minutes the rest of the

season.

THE OPPONENTS--WISCONSIN--The Badgers are 16-10 on the season and 8-8 in the Big Ten Conference, good for the sixth seed in the conference tournament. The Badgers, who were nationally-ranked for most of the season, have limped home down the stretch losing seven of their last nine games, including its last three of the season.

Head coach **Jane Albright-Dieterle** is in her third year with the Badgers and has a 57-27 record at Wisconsin. **Albright-Dieterle** was named Big Ten Coach of the Year last season.

As a team, Wisconsin is shooting 45 percent from the field and 34 percent from three-point land. The Badgers have really struggled on the boards being outrebounded by their opponents 39-37 during Big Ten play. The Badgers are also having trouble from the free-throw line connecting on only 60.6 percent.

A player not struggling for the Badgers is senior point guard **Keisha Anderson**. **Anderson** is averaging 19.8 points on the season in all games, good for first in the conference. **Anderson** also leads the conference in steals and is fifth in assists per game. **Ann Klapperich** is also having a good season for the Badgers at 16.3 points and 6.4 rebounds a game. **Tanisha Boston** is next for the Badgers at 7.1 points and 4.5 rebounds.

THE SERIES--Wisconsin leads the series 20-16 and has won the last five games between the two teams, including earlier this season when the Badgers beat Minnesota 84-57 in Madison, Wis.

GAME ONE--The Badgers cleaned up on the glass and converted 30 Minnesota turnovers into 30 points to defeat Minnesota, 84-57, in Madison, Wis. Minnesota shot 46 percent from the field, but were beaten on second, third and even fourth chances given to the Badgers. Wisconsin outrebounded the Gophers, 52-32, including 31-8 on the offensive glass.

Wisconsin also dominated the inside as **Ann Klapperich** and backup center **Amy Wiersma** had 17 points apiece. **Wiersma** also had nine rebounds to go along with her career-high 17 points. **Keisha Anderson** and **Kelley Paulus** had 10 points each for UW.

Lynda Hass led all Gopher scorers with 16 points on 5-of-7 shooting. **Angie Iverson** finished with 12 points, but only five rebounds, while **Sarah Klun** had 10 points.

BIG TEN UPDATE-- Purdue, Michigan State and Illinois all tied for the conference championship at 12-4 this season followed by Iowa and Northwestern at 9-7. Here are the final regular season standings.

	Big Ten	Overall
1. Illinois	12-4	20-6
Michigan State	12-4	20-6
Purdue	12-4	16-9
4. Northwestern	9-7	17-9
Iowa	9-7	14-11
6. Wisconsin	8-8	16-10
Penn State	8-8	15-11
8. Michigan	7-9	15-10
Indiana	7-9	14-12
10. Ohio State	3-13	11-15
11. Minnesota	1-15	3-23

GOPHER REWIND--IOWA--Minnesota lost to Iowa 78-42 Sunday in Iowa City, Iowa. The Hawkeyes played tough defense on the Gophers, as Minnesota shot only 27 percent from the field. Iowa also held Minnesota leading scorer **Angie Iverson** to only six points and a season-low three rebounds.

Iowa shot 50 percent from the field and rode the wave of the seniors, who were playing in front of the home crowd at Carver-Hawkeye Arena for the final time. **Susan Koering** had a career-high 16 points for Iowa, while **Amy Herrig** also had 16. Senior **Simone Edwards** had 14 points, while **Tangela Smith** had 11 points and 12 rebounds.

Mindy Hansen led the Gophers with 11 points and nine rebounds. **Lynda Hass** and **Jaime Ellis** were next after **Iverson**, with five points.

MICHIGAN--Michigan was off to the races in beating the Gophers, 107-75, in Ann Arbor, Mich., Friday night. The Wolverines were unconscious in the first half as they shot 71 percent racing out to a 61-33 halftime lead. Minnesota stayed with them in the second half, but it was too late as the Wolverines stayed hot from the field shooting 65 percent for the game.

Pollyanna Johns had 20 points for Michigan, while **Molly Murray** and **Stacy Thomas** had 15 points each. **Angie Iverson** was the Gophers leading scorer with 27 points and 15 rebounds. **Sarah Klun** and **Sonja Robinson** each had 14 for Minnesota.

TEAM NOTES--Statistically speaking, Minnesota has struggled from the field, shooting only 39 percent. Minnesota has shot above 45 percent only five times the entire season and above 40 percent seven times in 1996-97. With no players taller than 6-0 in the starting lineup, Minnesota is getting killed on the boards, especially the offensive glass, where they have been outrebounded 412-324. Minnesota has been outscored 79-64 by its opponents and turnovers are plaguing this squad at a rate of 24.0 a game.

IVERSON FIRST IN NATION IN TOTAL REBOUNDS-- **Angie Iverson**, at only 6-0, is crashing the boards at a record pace this season. She was leading the nation in total rebounds with 297 rebounds through 24 games. **Etolia Mitchell** is next closest competitor with 295 rebounds through 22 games. **Iverson** had 18 rebounds last weekend and now has 315 this season.

IVERSON SECOND IN THE NATION IN REBOUNDING PER GAME--Center **Angie Iverson** was second in the nation in rebounds per game going into last weekend. **Iverson**, who was averaging 12.4 boards a game, was second only **Etolia Mitchell** of Georgia State. **Mitchell**, who is 6-2, is averaging 13.4 rebounds a contest. **Iverson's** average dropped to 12.1 after recording only three rebounds against Iowa.

IVERSON WINS BIG TEN REBOUNDING TITLE--**Angie Iverson** won the Big Ten regular-season rebounding title this season for all games and conference games. **Iverson** finished the year average 12.1 a game and conference games at 11.63 a game. **Angie Potthoff** tried to rally at the end to overtake **Iverson**, but came just short finishing with 11 rebounds a game and 11.56 in conference games.

IVERSON FINISHES IN TOP TEN OF ALMOST EVERY CATEGORY--Angie Iverson finished in the Big Ten's top ten list in a number of categories this season. The following is list of where Iverson finished:

	Big Ten	Season
Rebounding	1st-11.63	1st-12.12
Scoring	4th-18.81	7th-16.81
FG%	9th-.491	NR
FT%	8th-.797	8th-.753

IVERSON BREAKS BIG TEN AND MINNESOTA REBOUNDED RECORD--Angie Iverson's career-high 25 rebounds against Colorado State broke the Minnesota record and Big Ten record of 23 set in 1984 by Molly Tadich against Northwestern and Wisconsin's Theresa Huff against Indiana in 1983. Iverson's 25 rebounds are also the highest rebound total in the nation this season.

IVERSON EVEN MORE DOMINATING OF LATE--Even after a disappointing ending to the 1997 regular season against Iowa, Angie Iverson has played some of her best basketball in her previous six games. Iverson averaged 24.6 points and 13.67 rebounds. She has five double-doubles and just missed a sixth by one rebound against Ohio State. She recorded a career-high 30 points against Illinois.

IVERSON DOUBLING HER PLEASURE--Angie Iverson has posted 17 double-doubles in 26 games for the Gophers this season. Iverson now has 23 double-doubles in her career. Iverson also has double-doubles against Western Illinois (16-10), Iowa State (17-17), Wyoming (12-14), Marquette (11-12), Fairfield (13-15), Michigan (17-17), Indiana (21-11), Illinois (22-14), Michigan State (24-12), Northwestern (19-14), Penn State (14-14), Michigan State (22-13), Michigan (27-15), Illinois (30-18), Indiana (18-15) and Purdue (25-12). She has also missed three other double-doubles by one point or rebound in 1996-97.

Last season, Iverson had five double-doubles, and missed eight others by either one point or one rebound. She also had a double-double against Kansas State during her first season.

ALTHOUGH SHORT, IVERSON BIG IN THE MIDDLE--On the season, Angie Iverson is averaging an impressive 12.1 rebounds on the boards. Iverson has led the Gophers in rebounding in 22 of 26 games this season and has not had double-figure rebounds in only eight games this year. The 6-foot Iverson has been, on the average, three inches shorter than the opponent guarding her this season.

HANSEN BEEN HOT AND COLD--After struggling against Michigan State and Indiana going 3-for-21, including 0-for-11 at Michigan State, Minnesota's second-leading scorer Mindy Hansen had 23 points against Indiana last Sunday. Hansen, who was making her first start in nine games, was 8-of-12 from the field, including a perfect 3-for-3 on three-pointers. Hansen then had a cold game at Michigan, where she went 3-for-12 from the field. But at Iowa, Hansen recorded a team-high 11 points and had nine rebounds for the Gophers.

On the year, Hansen is averaging in double-figures at 11.5 points a game. Hansen has been in double figures in 17 of 25 games this season for the Gophers and has led the team eight times in scoring.

BURNS HOT OF LATE--Newcomer Kiauna Burns made her first career start as a Gopher against Nebraska and has become a fixture in the lineup by starting the next 14 games. Since joining the starting lineup, Burns has averaged 7.3 points and 35.6 minutes, including 42 minutes against Illinois. She has had six games in double-figure scoring during that time, including a career-high 13 points against Ohio State and Illinois.

BURNS FINISHES REGULAR SEASON RANKED EIGHTH IN STEALS--Kiauna Burns ranks eighth in the Big Ten for steals with 2.15 a game. good for #8 in the Big Ten Conference. Wisconsin's Keisha Anderson leads the Big Ten with 3.63 a game.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS HOST ILLINOIS AND OHIO STATE—The 15th-ranked University of Minnesota women's gymnastics team hosts a pair of Big Ten opponents, Illinois and Ohio State, this Saturday, March 1, at 7 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion. The Gophers are 7-4 on the season coming off a 194.90 to 193.65 loss at the University of Massachusetts last Friday. Minnesota did defeat Vermont and MIT at the four-team event at UMASS.

ILLINOIS— Illinois is 7-5 overall and 0-2 against Big Ten competition. The orange and blue posted a season-high score but were defeated by Iowa, 193.375 - 193.125 in their last outing on Saturday. Illinois set a school record on the floor exercise with 48.925 and scored a season-high on the uneven bars with a score of 48.625. Two new school records were set in the effort. Sophomore **Kim Berres** scored a 9.9 on the floor exercise and junior **Kelli Farrar** tallied a 9.925 on the uneven bars.

OHIO STATE — Ohio State is 7-3 on the season, coming off a record score of 195.325 in a victory over Denver last Friday. The Buckeyes scored season-high on vault and the uneven bars en route to the team record. Sophomore **Susan Eckman** scored a perfect 10.0 on the vault in leading the Buckeyes to a team score of 49.225. Eckman and teammate **Kuyuki Oka** each posted scores of 9.9 on the bars as the Buckeyes totaled 49.250.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON—Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, **Stephenson** owns a 57-70 overall record at Minnesota. **Stephenson** came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES—**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHERS WIN THREE EVENTS BUT DROP MEET TO UMASS — Three individual Gophers won titles on the vault, uneven bars and floor exercise, but Minnesota was unable to come host UMass' total of 194.900, finishing with a team score of 193.650. The Gophers did pick up a pair of wins in the meet, defeating Vermont (181.275) and MIT (176.050). **STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR)** highlighted the Gophers performance, tying the school record with a 9.9 on the vault. **UDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/ MEXICANA DEL NORESTE)** tied for first on the uneven bars with a score of 9.8, while **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** won the floor exercise with a 9.9.

GOPHERS SET SCHOOL RECORD IN LOSS TO UTAH—No one gave the Gophers much of a chance against #2 Utah, but Minnesota came within .05 of pulling a major upset. Despite the loss, the Gophers had the most successful meet in

school history, setting a Minnesota record with a team score of 195.0. That broke the old mark of 194.7 set against Utah last season. For the second year in a row, the Gophers had their best meet against Utah, but were not able to overcome a mighty opponent. Minnesota's team scores in the vault (48.55), uneven bars (48.8) and floor exercise (49.225) were each the second-best in school history.

It was also a record-setting night for Gopher frosh **Judith Cavazoa**. **Cavazos**, in only her sixth collegiate meet, broke the Minnesota record in the all-around with a score of 39.3, good enough to win the event. **Cavazos'** score moved her ahead of two of the biggest names in Minnesota gymnastics history, current junior **Mindy Knaeble** and former Gopher **Marie Roethlisberger**, who shared the previous record of 39.075. **Cavazos** set personal records in all four events. Other individual event winners for Minnesota were junior **KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT)**, who tied for first on the vault with a 9.8, and **Cavazos** and senior **KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG)**, who tied for first on the floor exercise with scores of 9.875.

As expected, the final rotation was where the drama unfolded, as each team was on its best event. Utah entered the balance beam competition with a 146.650-145.775 lead on Minnesota, which was beginning the floor exercise. Utah gave the Gophers an opening when two of its gymnasts fell off the beam, but sophomore **Summer Reid**, the defending NCAA balance beam champion, came through with a 9.9 as Utah's final competitor to give her team the narrow victory.

BATZA TIES SCHOOL VAULT RECORD — Junior **Stacey Batza** landed a 9.90 to tie teammate **Kim Sveum** for the school record on the vault. **Sveum** has scored 9.9 on the vault twice in her career, both during the 1996 season. **Batza** and **Sveum** have been the forces behind a much-improved Gopher vaulting squad which has posted four of the best five team scores in the event this season. Minnesota scored a school-record 48.55 on the vault against Utah.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS—In only seven meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** has earned four all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did against Utah. Competing against Utah's **Traci Sommer** and **Denise Jones**, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, **Cavazos** broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. **Sommer** scored 39.1 and **Jones** had 39.025. **Cavazos** also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. **Cavazos** has recorded three of the top eight all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of Minnesota. Against Michigan, she finished second to the Wolverines' **Sarah Cain**, but beat defending Big Ten champion **Beth Amelkovich** of the Wolverines in the process. With a little more than a month before this year's Big Ten meet at the Sports Pavilion, **Cavazos** has become one of the favorites for the title in just her first season of college gymnastics.

KNAEBLE FLOORS 'EM AGAIN—In all seven of Minnesota's meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble**, who is ranked eighth in the nation in the event, continued her outstanding season on the floor with a 9.9 against UMass. She broke the school record in the event on Jan. 18 with a 9.925 at Michigan, and she scored 9.9 at the season-opening Best of Minnesota meet and in a dual meet with Arizona. **Knaeble** now has six of the Gophers' seven best marks ever in the event and nine of the top 19, including the 9.925, which tied the Minnesota individual record for any apparatus. **Knaeble**, the defending Big Ten champion in the floor exercise, has won the floor exercise in six of Minnesota's seven meets this year.

MORE ON THE FLOOR—**Mindy Knaeble** isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked fourth in the nation on the floor exercise, and the team has recorded the second-, third-, fourth-, sixth-, eighth- and ninth-best scores in school history in the event so far this season. Their 48.975 against UMass ranks No. 8 all-time, following marks of 49.125 (No. 2) against Utah, 49.125 (No. 4) against Utah State, 48.875 (No. 8) against Arizona, 48.95 (No. 9) against Michigan and 49.2 (No. 3) at the Best of Minnesota. Minnesota is taking dead aim on the school record of 49.275, which was set against Utah last season. Four Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including **Knaeble's** school record. **Kristen Vandersall**, ranked 12th in the nation on the floor exercise, tied her personal best against UMass and Utah with a 9.875, and **Judith Cavazos** also set a personal record with a 9.875 against Utah. Senior **JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI)** tied her career-high at the Best of Minnesota with a 9.875. **Knaeble**, **Vandersall** and **Hammons** have combined to produce 18 of Minnesota's 20 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only **Lori Kindler**, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

MINNESOTA HOSTS BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS—

Minnesota will host the Big Ten Gymnastics Championships on March 22-23 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet will include both the men's and women's championships. The women's event will begin at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 22. Tickets are now on sale. To order tickets or for more information, call the Gopher ticket office at 624-8080 during normal business hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE—Minnesota travels to Missouri to compete on March 9 in its final regular-season meet of the season. The Gophers then host Iowa State on March 14 in their final tune-up before hosting the Big Ten Championships.

Golf

GOLF OFF UNTIL NORTH CAROLINA TRIP--The golf team has the next weekend off before traveling to Chapel Hill, NC, March 23-30, during Spring Break for a tournament.

GOLFERS SECOND AT MIDWEST CLASSIC--The Minnesota women's golf team was second at the Midwest Classic, Feb. 21-22, at the 5,818 yard, par 72, Desert Springs Golf Club in Surprise, Ariz. The Gophers had rounds of 311 and 299 to finish at 610, seven strokes behind tournament winner Northwestern. The Wildcats won at 603 after rounds of 310 and 293. Penn State was third at 614 and was followed by Michigan (622), Southern Illinois (624), Michigan State (628), Illinois State (634), Northern Illinois (636) and Notre Dame (638). Minnesota was led **Carolyn Klecker** at 8-over par a three-way tie at fourth. **Amylou Dueck** of Northwestern (73-76-149) and Illinois State's **Suzanne Walker** (55-74-149) tied for medalist honors.

THE GOPHERS

Senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVER FALLS, WI)**

4. (tie) 76-76-152

Senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)**

7. (tie) 80-73-153

Junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI/PRAIRIE)**

7. (tie) 79-74-153

Frosh **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)**

7. (tie) 77-76-153

Junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN)**

76-75-155

Tennis

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO NEW YORK--Minnesota will travel to Syracuse, NY, to play #51 Syracuse, Friday, Feb. 28, and #37 Maryland, Saturday, Mar. 1. Minnesota, ranked #39 in the nation, is a perfect 6-0 this season and 3-0 in the Big Ten after defeating Iowa, 5-2, Sunday afternoon.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--The Gophers are ranked #39 in the nation after a successful fall season in which they won 60 percent of their singles matches and half of their doubles contests. Couple that with a 6-0 dual meet start and the Gophers should move up in the polls. The new rankings will be released March 4.

Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)** went 10-1 in the fall, winning 10 straight matches and took over the #1 spot on the team. She is currently 6-0 in the spring and leads the Gophers with 16 victories. **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** is currently second in wins with 13, followed by **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** with 12.

OFF TO A GOOD START--The 6-0 record is the best start for the Minnesota tennis program since the 1988-89 season when the Gophers also started the year 6-0.

INJURY REPORT --Junior **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)** has missed the last four matches due to tendonitis in her shoulder. She is listed as day-to-day.

LINEUP CHANGES--Minnesota has shuffled its lineup this season due to its depth and the injury to #3 player **Jenni Svehla**. Minnesota's singles lineup features three sophomores and three newcomers without **Svehla**. The Gophers have used the same lineup the past four matches. **Nora Sauska, Alice Rangsithienchai, TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** are the only Gophers to play in all six matches.

Minnesota's probable starting lineup

- #1 Nora Sauska
- #2 Alice Rangsithienchai
- #3 Tarah Elkins
- #4 Kim Simonsen
- #5 Jana Hrdinova
- #6 Helen Wang

Doubles:

- #1 Sauska/Elkins
- #2 Simonsen/Rangsithienchai
- #3 Hayes/Hrdinova

BOTTOM OF LINEUP MOVING MINNESOTA TO THE TOP--Positions 4-6 are keeping Minnesota on top this season as they are perfect thus far in spring play. The bottom three position of **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/UNITED CENTRAL SOUTH)**, **Jana Hrdinova** and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** have a combined record of 15-0 so far this season.

MINNESOTA SINGLES PLAY DOMINATE OF LATE--The singles play of the Gophers has been fantastic this spring as they have lost only four singles matches. The Gophers singles record is currently 32-4 (.889) for the dual meet season.

DOUBLES HAS STRUGGLED PAST TWO MATCHES--Minnesota had been undefeated (15-0) in doubles until getting swept by Illinois last Sunday. Minnesota then lost the doubles point to Iowa Sunday after dropping two of three matches. The loss of **Jenni Svehla** has impacted the doubles lineup causing head coach **Martin Novak** to shift his lineup. **Alice Rangsithienchai**, who was playing with **Svehla**, is now paired with **Kim Simonsen** and are 2-2 on the year.

GOPHER REWIND--IOWA--Minnesota improved its record to 6-0 overall and 3-0 in the Big Ten with a 5-2 victory over Iowa in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Minnesota lost the doubles point, but won five of six singles matches to take the victory. The Gophers were led by **Nora Sauska**, who won her 16th match of the season with an easy 6-1, 6-3 victory over **Kris McCracken**. **Sauska** also team with **Tarah Elkins** for the Gophers only doubles victory. Other singles winners for Minnesota included **Alice Rangsithienchai, Kim Simonsen, Jana Hrdinova** and **Helen Wang**.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 39th in the fall Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. **Nora Sauska** is the only Minnesota player ranked in the individual rankings. She is 47th in the nation after posting a 10-1 fall record and winning two singles titles and a doubles title.

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS--**Nora Sauska** won her 16th match of the season against only one defeat. **Sauska** had won 10 matches in a row until falling at the Rolex Regional Qualifier in November. She has now won six in a row to start the spring season.

RANGSITHIENCHAI BACK WITH A VENGEANCE--**Alice Rangsithienchai**, the 1996 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year, is playing strong for Gophers again this season. **Rangsithienchai** has won 13 matches this season, good for second on the team.

UP NEXT--The Gophers return to Big Ten play with home matches against Ohio State Friday, Mar. 7, and Indiana Sunday, Mar. 9, at the 98th Street Racquet Club. Match time Friday is 6:30 p.m. and Sunday is 8 a.m.

Swimming and Diving

MINNESOTA SWIMMING & DIVING RANKED 10TH IN COUNTRY--The University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team is currently ranked 10th in the latest Speedo America's Top 25 College Swimming Coaches Poll, released Feb. 19. The Gopher's had been ranked eighth in the previous poll, released Feb. 9. Michigan is ranked third, Northwestern 15th, Illinois 21st, Wisconsin 22nd and Penn State 25th. The top five teams, respectively are Stanford, SMU, Michigan, Georgia and USC.

GOPHER'S QUALIFY 11 FOR NCAA SWIMMING & DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS--Eleven Gopher swimmers have qualified in 16 events for the 1997 NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, March 20-22 in Indianapolis. Another swimmer is "on the bubble" in being invited to the meet. The divers compete at the NCAA Zone C Meet, March 14-15, to qualify for the championships.

Automatically qualifying for the national championships are (all events are in yards):

junior **SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA)**: 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay, 100 backstroke;

junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)**: 100 breaststroke, 200 breaststroke, 200 individual medley, 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay;
frosh **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)**: 50 free, 100 free, 200 free, 200 freestyle relay, 800 freestyle relay, 400 medley relay;

senior **TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)**: 100 butterfly, 200 medley relay, 400 medley relay;

junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)**: 500 freestyle, 1,650 freestyle, 400 individual medley, 800 freestyle relay;

junior **KIMBERLY WILSON (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)**: 500 freestyle, 1,650 freestyle.

Based on events times accepted for the 1996 NCAA championships, the following swimmers should be invited to the meet:

frosh **AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY)**: 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle, 200 medley relay, 800 freestyle relay;

senior **BETH SHIMANSKI (HUTCHINSON, MN)**: 100 backstroke, 200 freestyle relay;

frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, MN)**: 100 butterfly, 200 butterfly, 200 freestyle relay;

senior **ALICIA HICKEN (CAMPBELLVILLE, ON, CANADA)**: 200 freestyle, 500 freestyle, 1,650 freestyle, 800 freestyle relay;

senior **JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT)**: 400 individual medley, 200 butterfly.

Senior **DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)** is on the bubble and may be invited to compete in both the 100 and

200 breaststroke events.

GOPHERS SECOND AT BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Minnesota finished second at the 16th Annual Big Ten Conference Women's Swimming and Diving Championships in Indianapolis. The Gophers scored 608.5 points, its highest total ever and nearly 200 points more than its nearest competitor. It is the eighth time Minnesota has placed second at the championships. Michigan won it 11th consecutive team title, scoring 708 points and beating the Gophers by 99.5 points, the fourth-closest meet in the championship's history. Wisconsin was third with 412 points and was followed by Northwestern (403.5), Ohio State (394), Illinois (268), Michigan State (211), Indiana (189), Purdue (157.5), Iowa (152) and Penn State (145). Minnesota's previous high score was 605 points, set in 1983, when the team finished third behind Ohio State and Michigan.

MINNESOTA WINS SEVEN EVENTS -- The Gophers won seven events over the three days, surpassing the previous mark of five victories at a Big Ten championship, set at the 1984 and 1986 championships. Minnesota also won more individual events, five, than ever before, surpassing the previous of four, set at the 1996 championships. The swimmers were first in the 500-yard freestyle (**Splichalova**), the 1,650-yard freestyle (**Wilson**) the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke (**Hegener**) events, the 100-yard butterfly (**Schuh**) and the 200-yard medley relay (**Baillie, Hegener, Schuh, Cottrill**) and the 400-yard medley relay (**Baillie, Hegener, Schuh, Hennen**).

CO-BIG TEN SWIMMER OF THE YEAR AND ALL-BIG TEN SELECTIONS -- Gretchen Hegener was named co-Big Ten Swimmer of the Year, sharing the honors with Michigan's frosh Shannon Shakespeare. Hegener was also named an All-Big Ten Selection, as were teammates Olga Splichalova, Shona Baillie, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill and Kimberly Wilson. Other conference awards went to Jenny Dixon of Indiana as Diver of the Year and her coach, Jeff Huber was named Diving Coach of the Year. Michigan State's Richard Badger was named Swimming Coach of the Year.

FOUR BIG TEN AND SIX MINNESOTA RECORDS SET BY THE GOPHERS -- Minnesota set four Big Ten championship and six schools records during the weekend. Setting records in both categories were Hegener in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events and as a member of the 200- and 400-yard medley relay teams. In the 100 breaststroke, Hegener had a time of 1:00.81, breaking the previous record of 1:01.63, while in the 200 breaststroke she finished at 2:11.60, surpassing the old mark of 2:13.74. In the 400-yard medley relay, the team of Hegener, Baillie, Schuh and Hennen, set a meet record of 3:41.27, passing the previous time of 3:42.18. Cottrill joined Hegener, Baillie and Schuh in setting the 200-yard medley relay record at 1:42.15, passing the previous time of 1:42.40.

In addition to the combined conference and school records set, Hennen set a Minnesota record in the 100-yard freestyle, breaking the previous record of 50.55, set in 1991 by Stacey Niedenfuer. Splichalova reset her own school record in the 500-yard freestyle at 4:47.02, passing her old mark of

4:47.54.

DAY BY DAY FINALS AND CONSOLATION FINALS WRAP-UP

THURSDAY, FEB. 20 – Minnesota's 400-yard medley relay team of **Baillie, Hegener, Schuh and Hennen** set the Big Ten meet record, the Minnesota school record and qualified for the NCAA championships with a time of 3:41.27. The previous meet record of 3:42.18 was set in 1996 by Michigan. The Gophers previous record was 3:43.05, set in 1996 by **Shimanski, Hegener, Schuh and Splichalova**.

Splichalova defended her 1996 500-yard freestyle Big Ten title, breaking her own Minnesota school record and qualifying for the NCAA's at 4:47.02. Her previous record was 4:47.54, set at the 1996 conference championships at Minnesota. **Wilson** was seventh and had a NCAA consideration time of at 4:51.94 and **Hicken** was 10th at 4:52.18.

The Gophers 200-yard freestyle team of **Hennen, Cottrill, Jashinsky and Shimanski** was third with a NCAA consideration time of 1:33.11. The Gophers placed three swimmers in the consolation finals of the 200-yard individual medley, with **Hegener** finishing ninth and recording the second-fastest time in Minnesota history at 2:03.64, improving her lifetime best in the event by over two seconds. **Hegener** has only competed twice in the 200-yard individual medley this year, with the first time being during Thursday's preliminaries when she placed 10th. **Grass** tied for 10th at 2:05.37 and **Coellner** 13th at 2:06.33.

In the 50-yard freestyle, **Hennen** was sixth at with a NCAA consideration time of 23.54, her fastest of the season. **Cottrill** was 12th, also with also her season's fastest time at 23.60. **Berg** was third in 1-meter diving with 407.75 points and **Hansen** was fourth at 397.20.

FRIDAY, FEB. 21 – The Gopher's 200-yard medley relay team of **Baillie, Hegener, Schuh and Cottrill** set a Big Ten and Minnesota school with a time of 1:42.15. The previous Big Ten mark of 1:42.40 was set in 1993 by Michigan. The former Minnesota record was 1:42.44, set in 1996 by **Shimanski, Hegener, Schuh and Suzie Helvig**. **Schuh** successfully defended her 1996 Big Ten 100-yard butterfly title, winning with a time 54.91 and automatically qualifying for the NCAA's in the event. **Jashinsky** was fourth at 55.52 and **Carrie Raeth** was 12th at 57.45.

Hegener set three records after tying another record in the 100-yard breaststroke for her third championship trophy of the weekend. She won the breaststroke with Big Ten meet record time of 1:00.81, the second fastest time in Big Ten history. **Hegener** reset her own school record for the second time on Friday with the win. **Hegener** first reset the Minnesota record and tied the previous Big Ten meet record Friday morning with a time of 1:01.63 during the preliminaries of the 100-yard breaststroke. The previous Minnesota record was 1:02.03, set by **Hegener** last year at the NCAA championships. The finish also automatically qualifies her for the NCAA championships in the event. **Coellner** was seventh in the 100-yard breaststroke at 1:04.24 and **Kate McMillan** was eighth at 1:04.78.

Berg finished second in 3-meter springboard diving

with 489.40 points, with **Hansen** finishing fifth at 443.75. In the 400-yard individual medley, **Splichalova** was seventh at 4:25.42. **Grass** was ninth at 4:20.29, and was followed by **Wilson** in 12th at 4:25.92 and **Marta Knowles** at 16th with a time of 4:30.26. **Hennen** was fourth in the 200-yard freestyle at 1:48.76 and teammate **Hicken** was 14th with a time of 1:51.45.

The Gophers 800-yard freestyle relay team of **Hennen, Hicken, Cottrill and Splichalova** set a Minnesota school record of 7:21.43 with their second-place finish. The previous record, 7:25.29, was set in 1995 by **Kari Klassen, Helvig, Splichalova and Coellner**.

SATURDAY, FEB. 22 – On Saturday, **Hegener** won her fourth title of the championships, finishing first in the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:11.60, setting a Big Ten meet record, a Minnesota school record and earning an automatic berth to the NCAA championships in March. **Hegener** cut over two seconds off the previous Big Ten meet record (2:13.74) and 3.8 seconds off her own school record of 2:15.40, set Saturday during the prelims of the 200-yard breaststroke. **Coellner** was 13th (2:19.87) and **Kate McMillan** was 16th (2:21.30) in the 200-yard breaststroke.

Wilson regained her 1995 championship mantle in the 1,650-yard freestyle, winning with a NCAA automatic qualifying time of 16.19.43. **Splichalova**, the 1996 champion in the distance race, was third at 16:26.22 and **Hicken** was ninth (16:43.81).

Hennen was fourth in the 100-yard freestyle, setting a Minnesota school record of 50.40, breaking the former record of 50.55, set in 1991 by **Stacey Niedenfuer**. **Cottrill** was eighth at 51.11.

In the 200-butterfly, **Jashinsky** was fourth at 2:02.83 and **Jessica Grass** was ninth (2:04.60). **Schuh**, recovering from a shoulder inflammation and the 1996 200-yard butterfly champion, was 18th (2:05.38). In the 200-yard backstroke, **Shimanski** was fifth at 2:01.87 and **Marta Knowles** was 14th (2:03.86).

Minnesota's 400-yard freestyle relay team of **Hennen, Cottrill, Coellner and Shimanski** was fourth with an NCAA consideration time of 3:24.78. In platform diving, **Hansen** was fifth with 480.95 points, **Berg** was sixth at 436.5 and **Miller** was ninth at 224.15.

Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota travels to Iowa State for an NCAA qualifying meet on Friday afternoon. The Gophers will send the distance medley relay team to try to qualify for the NCAA championships. **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN** (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KATEDRALSKOLE) and **CHANTEAU WHITE** (ALLEN, TX/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE), who have already provisionally qualified, will try to improve their marks. The NCAA championships will be held March 8-9 in Indianapolis.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota finished sixth with 52 points at the Big Ten Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships in Champaign, Ill. It was the second-highest finish ever for the indoor track and field team and the highest point total in school history. Minnesota had two finishers in three events. In the shot put, **DANI PARKOS** (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL) placed third with a throw of 50-2 3/4 and **TINA McDONALD** (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST) fifth with a throw of 48-4 3/4. Both marks were personal bests and provisional qualifiers for the NCAA championships. In the triple jump, **Christine Gulbrandsen** was third with a leap of 40-6 and **NATALIE SMITH** (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL) (38-3 1/2) seventh. In the 5000-meter run, **ANNA GULLINGSRUD** (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) was seventh and **KARI THOMPSON** (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON) eighth.

Other Minnesota scorers: **Chanteau White** placed fourth in the long jump, fifth in the 55-meter dash and seventh in the 55-meter hurdles. **White** set a Minnesota record of :06.96 in the 55-meter dash prelims on Saturday. **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN** (MAASTRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDYLE) finished fifth in the mile run. **YVETTE WHITE** (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON) placed seventh in the 400-meter dash. Minnesota's distance medley relay team of **KERI ZWEIG** (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA), **Yvette White**, **MINNA HARONOJA** (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA) and **ANDREA LENTZ** (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR) placed fifth in a time of 11:58.55. The 4x400-meter relay team of **Natalie Smith**, **SHELLIE BRAGGS** (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN), **APASHA BLOCKER** (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT), **Yvette White** placed seventh. **Blocker** also placed third in the pentathlon and seventh in the high jump. **KRISTIE STILES** (EDEN PRAIRIE, MN/EDEN PRAIRIE) set a Minnesota frosh record in the 600-meter dash with a time of 1:36.26.

TEAM RESULTS — Wisconsin was the team winner with 119 points, easily outdistancing second-place Michigan with 82 points. The Badgers were led by **Kathy Butler**, who defended all three of her individual titles: the mile run, 3000-meter run and the 5000-meter run.

Final team results

1. Wisconsin 119; 2. Michigan 82; 3. Ohio State 79; 4. Illinois 66; 5. Penn State 63; 6. Minnesota 52; 7. Michigan State 50; 8. Purdue 49; 9. (tie) Indiana 31; 9. (tie) Iowa 31

PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS— Junior **Chanteau White** has provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in both the long jump and the 55-meter dash. Senior **Dani Parkos** has provisionally qualified in the shot put four times this season. Other qualifiers: frosh **Daphne Panhuysen** in the 3000-meter dash, frosh **Christine Gulbrandsen** in the triple jump and sophomore **Tina McDonald** in the shot put.

NEW MINNESOTA RECORDS SET IN 1997 —

Varsity Records

55-meter dash: **Chanteau White**, :06.96
 400-meter dash: **Yvette White**, :56.71
 Long Jump: **Chanteau White**, 19-11 1/2 (6.08m)
 Triple Jump: **Christine Gulbrandsen**, 41-3 3/4 (12.59m)

Frosh Records

600-meter run: **Kristie Stiles**, 1:36.26
 1000-meter run: **Daphne Panhuysen**, 2:52.68
 3000-meter run: **Daphne Panhuysen**, 9:46.80
 Long Jump: **Natalie Smith**, 19-3 (5.87m)
 Triple Jump: **Christine Gulbrandsen**, 41-3 3/4 (12.59m)

MINNESOTA'S ALL-TIME INDOOR TOP TEN LIST —

Chanteau White ranks in the top ten of four all-time lists. **White** holds school records in the 55-meter dash, 60-meter dash and the long jump. She also holds fifth place in the 55-meter hurdles. **Yvette White** ranks on three lists: first in the 400-meter dash, eighth in the 55-meter hurdles and eighth in the 200-meter dash. **Apasha Blocker** is the school record holder in the pentathlon and also ranks ninth all-time in the triple jump and tenth in the high jump. **Christine Gulbrandsen** holds the top spot in the triple jump and is tenth in the 55-meter hurdles. **Kimberly Heath** ranks first in the 200-meter dash and second in the 55-meter dash. **Daphne Panhuysen** ranks second all-time in the 1000-meter run, fifth in the mile and sixth in the 3000 meter run. In the shot put, **Dani Parkos** holds the number two spot while **Tina McDonald** is sixth. **Natalie Smith** ranks third in the long jump and fourth in the triple jump. Two 4 x 400-meter relay teams moved into the top ten this season. The team of **Natalie Smith**, **Shellie Braggs**, **Apasha Blocker** and **Yvette White** are fifth all-time, while the team of **Shellie Braggs**, **Yvette White**, **KAY FULLER** (VERNDALE, MN/VERNDALE) and **Alisa Gartner** ranks sixth. **Kristie Stiles** is sixth in the 600-meter run. **Anna Gullingsrud** is eighth in the 5000-meter run. **Shellie Braggs** is seventh in the 400-meter dash and tenth in the 200-meter dash. **Andrea Lentz** is ninth in the mile run. **Keri Zweig** is tenth in the 1000 meter run.

UP NEXT--The 1997 NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships are Friday-Sunday, March 7-9. Minnesota could send as many as five athletes in six events to the meet.

Softball

GOPHER SOFTBALL TEAM TRAVELS TO NEW MEXICO FOR TOURNAMENT — The University of Minnesota softball team continues its non-conference schedule this week in Las Cruces, N.M., competing in the Troy Cox Invitational. The 10-team tournament runs Thursday, Feb. 27 through Sunday, March 2.

NELSON SETS CAREER HITS MARK — All-America outfielder Rachel Nelson hit her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over Robert Morris, last Saturday, to set a new Minnesota career hits record. The old record of 259 hits was held by Lezlie Weiss (1990-93). After last weekend's action, Nelson has 269 hits in her career.

MINNESOTA WINS TRIANGLE CLASSIC — Minnesota posted a perfect 7-0 mark to capture the team title in the Triangle Classic Tournament, last weekend in Raleigh, N.C. The Gophers cruised through the tournament outscoring their opponents by a 44-2 margin. Steph Klaviter, Shannon Beeler and Ann Bartholmey were named to the all-tournament team.

THREE GOPHERS NAMED TO ALL-TOURNEY TEAM — Pitcher Steph Klaviter, shortstop Shannon Beeler and catcher Ann Bartholmey were named to the Triangle Classic all-Tournament team. Klaviter captured three wins in the Classic, including an 8-0 decision in the championship game. The sophomore righthander threw two shutouts in a pair of two-hitters. The only run that crossed the plate with Klaviter on the mound was unearned in the 15-1 win over Robert Morris. Beeler hit .381 in the tournament, but it was her RBI total of 11 that made the difference. Seven of those RBI came against Robert Morris when Beeler hit a grand slam home run and a three-run double. Bartholmey owned the hottest bat in the Gopher lineup. She went 12-for-18 for an impressive .667 batting average in the tournament. Overlooked by the all-tournament voters were Rachel Nelson and Amber Hegland. Nelson hit .625 going 15-for-24 with seven runs scored. Hegland batted .555 going 10-for-18 with seven RBI.

GOPHERS RANKED 20TH — The Gophers entered the season ranked #20 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Preseason Poll. Defending national champion Arizona is #1 to begin the '97 season. The next poll will be released on Wednesday, Feb. 26.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — Minnesota looks to improve on its 44-18 record from a year ago and has the talent and depth to do so. Two all-Americans, first-teamer Rachel Nelson and second-teamer Amber Hegland, highlight the group of 16 returning letterwinners from a squad which finished second in the Big Ten with a 17-6 mark.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.No.	Name	B/T Yr.	Hometown (H.S./College)
C 14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B 17	Tracy Carey	R/R Jr.	Richfield, MN (Nebraska-Omaha)
2B 9	Amber Hegland	L/R Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
3B 21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
SS 5	Shannon Beeler	R/R So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF 2	Steph Midthun	L/R So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF 1	Rachel Nelson	L/R Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
RF 6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T Yr.	Hometown (H.S./College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
11	Jennifer Bauer	R/R Sr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN — Minnesota head coach Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 169-144-1 (.540). Bernstein-O'Brien owns a Big Ten record of 68-64 (.515) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach Julie Standerling is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while Jennifer McGuinness is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

STAT LEADERS — Rachel Nelson improved her batting average to .474 on the season by hitting .625 in the seven games of the Triangle Classic. She also leads the team in runs scored with 12. Amber Hegland also upped her average over the last week and now owns a .432 batting average. Thanks to 14 RBI in the nine games played last week, Shannon Beeler has increased her team-high RBI total to 20 on the season. Wendy Logue owns the most wins on the pitching staff, heading into this week's action with a 6-1 record. Steph Klaviter won four games last week to improve her mark to 5-1. Jennifer Johnson is 3-0.

THIS WEEK'S TOURNAMENT — Minnesota is the only nationally-ranked team in this year's Troy Cox Tournament field. Joining Minnesota and host New Mexico State as tourney entrants are Baylor, Furman, New Mexico, Ohio State, Southern Utah, Texas Tech and Wichita State. The tournament format is a round-robin with the Gophers playing the following schedule:

Thursday, Feb. 27	3:00 p.m.	Minnesota vs. New Mexico
	5:00 p.m.	Minnesota vs. Baylor
Friday, Feb. 28	3:00 p.m.	Minnesota vs. Wichita State
	5:00 p.m.	Minnesota vs. New Mexico State
Saturday, March 1	1:00 p.m.	Minnesota vs. Furman
	3:00 p.m.	Minnesota vs. Ohio State
Sunday, March 2	8:00 a.m.	Minnesota vs. Loyola
	10:00 a.m.	Minnesota vs. Texas Tech

AN EARLY-SEASON LOOK AT A BIG TEN OPPONENT — Minnesota will have the chance to play a Big Ten opponent this weekend when they face Ohio State on Saturday, March 1. The Buckeyes are off to a 2-3 start on the season.

GOPHER REWIND Games #8 - #16) — Overall Record: 14-2
Game 8 — Feb. 20 — Chapel Hill, N.C.

Minnesota 5, North Carolina 2

Minnesota	000	130	1	5	9	0
North Carolina	000	002	0	2	7	2

W - Logue (4-1), L - Arthur, HR - none

Notes: Minnesota scores three runs in the fifth inning to provide the margin of victory. **Shannon Beeler** hits a two-RBI single in the inning and goes 2-for-4. **Dana Ballard** also hits 2-for-4 with two RBI. **Wendy Logue** goes the distance for her fourth win of the season.

Game 9 — Feb. 20 — Chapel Hill, N.C.

Minnesota 6, North Carolina 0

Minnesota	050	000	1	6	11	1
North Carolina	000	002	0	0	3	0

W - Steph Klaviter (2-1), L - Smith, HR - none.

Notes: The Gophers sweep the doubleheader over North Carolina behind the pitching of **Steph Klaviter**. **Klaviter** tosses a three-hitter in recording the shutout. Minnesota's offense explodes for five runs in the second inning. The Gophers strung together five singles in the inning with the big hit coming on a pinch-hit, two-RBI single from **Chantell Jernell**.

Game 10 — Feb. 21 — Raleigh, N.C.

Minnesota 1, Maryland 0

Maryland	000	000		0	2	0
Minnesota	000	01-		1	2	0

W - Wendy Logue (5-1), L - Shipman, HR - none.

Notes: Minnesota edges Maryland in a defensive struggle. **Wendy Logue** tosses the shutout, giving up just two hits. The Gophers managed to score an unearned run in the bottom of the fifth to tally the game's only run. **Dana Ballard** walks and is replaced by **Lara Severson** on the basepaths. **Severson** advances to third on a Maryland error and scores the winning run on a fielder's choice by **Ann Bartholmey**.

Game 11 — Feb. 21 — Raleigh, N.C.

Minnesota 4, East Carolina 0

Minnesota	110	20		4	9	0
East Carolina	000	00		0	2	2

W - Steph Klaviter (3-1), L - Bendle, HR - none.

Notes: **Steph Klaviter** gives up only two singles in blanking East Carolina. **Rachel Nelson** and **Shannon Beeler** team to provide the spark on offense. **Nelson** goes 2-for-3 with two runs scored. **Beeler** brought home two RBI in matching **Nelson** going 2-for-3 from the plate.

Game 12 — Feb. 22 — Raleigh, N.C.

Minnesota 15, Robert Morris 1

Minnesota	812	4		15	14	1
Robert Morris	100	0		1	6	1

W - Steph Klaviter (4-1), L - Schwanke, HR - Beeler (3).

Notes: The Gophers need only four innings to score 15 runs and crush Robert Morris. **Rachel Nelson** hits a single in the third inning to record her 260th career hit and set a new Minnesota career hits record. She also ties a single-game record with three stolen bases. **Shannon Beeler** enters the record books as well,

tying the Minnesota single-game record with seven RBI. **Beeler** went 2-for-3 in the game with a double and a grand slam home run.

Game 13 — Feb. 22 — Raleigh, N.C.

Minnesota 9, Temple 0

Minnesota	007	02		9	11	0
Temple	000	00		0	1	3

W — Jennifer Johnson (2-0), L - Brode, HR - Tracy Carey (1).

Notes: **Jennifer Johnson** and **Jennifer Bauer** combine on a one-hitter to blank Temple, 9-0. On offense, the Gophers put up seven runs in the third inning to break the game open. **Ann Bartholmey** strokes a single to center to score two runs and finishes the game 2-for-2. **Tracy Carey** hits her first home run as a Gopher, slamming a solo shot to lead off the fourth inning.

Game 14 — Feb. 23 — Raleigh, N.C.

Minnesota 4, Ohio 0

Minnesota	012	001	0	4	11	0
Ohio	000	000	0	0	3	1

W - Wendy Logue (6-1), L - Barker, HR - none.

Notes; **Wendy Logue** scatters three hits and shuts out Ohio for her sixth win of the season. **Ann Bartholmey** has another big game at the plate, going 3-for-4 with two RBI. Both her RBI came in the third inning, when **Bartholmey** swapped a double to score **Tracy Carey** and **Jodi Halvorson**.

Game 15 — Feb. 23 — Raleigh, N.C.

Minnesota 3, Illinois-Chicago 1

Minnesota	020	001	0	3	10	0
Illinois-Chicago	000	001	0	1	3	0

W - Jennifer Johnson (3-0), L - Zalewski, HR - Tracy Carey (2), Porter.

Notes; The arm of **Jennifer Johnson** leads the Gophers to a 3-1 win in perhaps the biggest game of the tournament. Illinois-Chicago was among the teams that received votes in the pre-season national poll. **Johnson** gave up just three hits, while striking out 11 batters. **Tracy Carey** belted her second home run of the season to lead off the second inning. **Ann Bartholmey** singled and scored in the second as well, crossing the plate on a single by **Rachel Nelson**. **Bartholmey** scored her second run of the game in the sixth inning on a wild pitch. The only Chicago run came in the sixth inning on a solo home run. **Nelson** led all Gopher hitters going 3-for-4 in the win.

Game 16 — Feb. 23 — Raleigh, N.C. (Triangle Classic Tourn. Championship Game)

Minnesota 8, East Carolina 0

Minnesota	500	03		8	10	1
East Carolina	000	00		0	2	0

W - Steph Klaviter (5-1), L - Davis, HR - none.

Notes; The Gophers' dominant pitching continued into the championship game of the Triangle Classic Tournament as **Steph Klaviter** tossed a two-hitter in leading Minnesota to an 8-0 victory. It was the second time in the Classic that **Klaviter** had shut out East Carolina with a two-hitter. This game was over early as Minnesota erupted for five runs in the top of the first inning. **Rachel Nelson** went 3-for-4, while **Renee Sbrocco** led

the Gophers with three RBI.

USA TODAY / NFCA PRESEASON COACHES POLL

Rank	School	'96 Record	Points
1.	Arizona	58-9	619
2.	UCLA	47-11	600
3.	Fresno State	51-11	555
4.	Washington	59-9	504
5.	Michigan	51-14	486
6.	Iowa	49-19	441
7.	SW Louisiana	46-10	424
8.	California	41-23	419
9.	South Carolina	38-13	413
10.	Oklahoma	50-20	354
11.	Oklahoma State	37-20	320
12.	Cal-Fullerton	41-28	314
13.	UNLV	36-23	307
14.	Long Beach St	37-22	287
15.	Cal-Northridge	43-16	272
16.	South Florida	41-12	267
17.	Florida State	52-21	229
18.	Princeton	47-8-1	220
19.	Nebraska	42-23	213
20.	MINNESOTA	44-18	197
21.	Notre Dame	48-16	102
22.	Hawaii	36-25	87
23.	Massachusetts	38-15-1	79
24.	Connecticut	36-22	62
25.	Arizona State	34-27	51

Receiving Votes: DePaul (40), Missouri (39), Texas A&M (39), Utah (35), Illinois State (21), Illinois-Chicago (16), Central Michigan (15), Kansas (15), Tennessee (11), Oregon State (10), Indiana (9), Nicholls State (9), Hofstra (7), Colorado State (6), Northern Illinois (6), Southwest Missouri State (6), Cal Poly SLO (5), Cal State Sacramento (5), Florida (5), Arkansas (2), Boston U. (1).

UP NEXT — The Gophers have two weeks off before they travel to Atlanta, GA, for doubleheaders at Georgia Tech on Monday, March 24, and at Georgia State on Tuesday, March 25. Minnesota open Big Ten Conference play on Friday-Saturday, March 28-29 at Michigan State.

CUMULATIVE MINNESOTA STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 26 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB									
Angie Iverson	26/ 26	149/ 314	.475	2/ 9	.222	137/ 182	.753	437	16.8	133	182	315	12.1	79/ 1	38	78	11	30	844		
Mindy Hansen	26/ 18	119/ 328	.363	16/ 69	.232	45/ 72	.625	299	11.5	31	80	111	4.3	53/ 1	80	134	10	42	834		
Sarah Klun	26/ 26	85/ 217	.392	2/ 13	.154	48/ 53	.906	220	8.5	38	58	96	3.7	74/ 3	33	81	2	21	642		
Lynda Hass	24/ 1	73/ 185	.395	18/ 65	.277	36/ 50	.720	200	8.3	38	45	83	3.5	39/ 1	30	50	2	16	527		
Kiauna Burns	26/ 14	62/ 167	.371	6/ 40	.150	43/ 83	.518	173	6.7	20	44	64	2.5	64/ 2	74	119	4	56	804		
Sonja Robinson	26/ 20	61/ 168	.363	0/ 3	.000	35/ 51	.686	157	6.0	42	59	101	3.9	61/ 1	40	63	11	24	656		
Jaime Ellis	25/ 25	35/ 104	.337	13/ 56	.232	10/ 13	.769	93	3.7	5	22	27	1.1	31/ 0	49	64	2	14	487		
Andrea Seago	26/ 0	30/ 70	.429	0/ 0	.000	11/ 15	.733	71	2.7	14	45	59	2.3	40/ 0	7	20	8	4	335		
Si Nonginthirat	6/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	.7	0	2	2	.3	2/ 0	1	8	0	1	19		
Margaret Blom	7/ 0	1/ 6	.167	0/ 0	.000	2/ 2	1.000	4	.6	1	3	4	.6	6/ 0	0	2	2	1	39		
Teresa O'Hearn	9/ 0	0/ 1	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	.1	1/ 0	0	4	0	0	22		
StephanieStromm	5/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 1	.000	0	.0	1	3	4	.8	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	16		
Team Rebounds													156								

Golden Gophers	26/ 26	617/1565	.394	57/ 257	.222	367/ 522	.703	1658	63.8	324	543	1023	39.4	450/ 9	352	623	52	211	--		
Team Rebounds													125								

Opponent Totals	26/ 26	802/1809	.443	109/ 374	.291	343/ 496	.692	2056	79.1	412	590	1127	43.4	477/ 7	473	494	111	353	--		

/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/		/- 3PT -/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	5.7	12.1	.1	.4	5.3	7.0	16.8	12.1	1.5	3.0	.4	1.2	32.5
Mindy Hansen	4.6	12.6	.6	2.7	1.7	2.8	11.5	4.3	3.1	5.2	.4	1.6	32.1
Sarah Klun	3.3	8.4	.1	.5	1.9	2.0	8.5	3.7	1.3	3.1	.1	.8	24.7
Lynda Hass	3.0	7.7	.8	2.7	1.5	2.1	8.3	3.5	1.3	2.1	.1	.7	22.0
Kiauna Burns	2.4	6.4	.2	1.5	1.7	3.2	6.7	2.5	2.9	4.6	.2	2.2	30.9
Sonja Robinson	2.4	6.5	.0	.1	1.4	2.0	6.0	3.9	1.5	2.4	.4	.9	25.2
Jaime Ellis	1.4	4.2	.5	2.2	.4	.5	3.7	1.1	2.0	2.6	.1	.6	19.5
Andrea Seago	1.2	2.7	.0	.0	.4	.6	2.7	2.3	.3	.8	.3	.2	12.9
Si Nonginthirath	.3	.5	.0	.0	.0	.0	.7	.3	.2	1.3	.0	.2	3.2
Margaret Blom	.1	.9	.0	.0	.3	.3	.6	.6	.0	.3	.3	.1	5.6
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.1	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.1	.0	.5	.0	.0	2.4
StephanieStrommen	.0	.4	.0	.4	.0	.2	.0	.8	.0	.0	.0	.4	3.2

Golden Gophers	23.7	60.2	2.2	9.9	14.1	20.1	63.8	39.4	13.5	24.0	2.0	8.1	----
Opponent Totals	30.9	69.6	4.2	14.4	13.2	19.1	79.1	43.4	18.2	19.0	4.3	13.6	----

Big Ten Statistics
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 16 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	OFF DEF TOT			PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	REB	REB					REB								
Angie Iverson	16/ 16	107/ 218	.491	2/ 8	.250	85/ 108	.787	301	18.8	78	108	186	11.6	49/ 1	26	44	8	24	536	
Mindy Hansen	16/ 8	70/ 188	.372	9/ 40	.225	27/ 38	.711	176	11.0	19	43	62	3.9	38/ 0	49	78	6	26	498	
Lynda Hass	16/ 1	51/ 136	.375	14/ 54	.259	21/ 26	.808	137	8.6	20	32	52	3.3	27/ 0	24	36	0	10	375	
Sarah Klun	16/ 16	52/ 129	.403	2/ 10	.200	25/ 29	.862	131	8.2	24	39	63	3.9	44/ 1	17	55	1	7	386	
Kiauna Burns	16/ 13	39/ 105	.371	2/ 22	.090	32/ 54	.593	112	7.0	13	27	40	2.5	43/ 0	49	77	2	33	540	
Sonja Robinson	16/ 10	35/ 89	.393	0/ 1	.000	16/ 22	.727	86	5.4	21	23	44	2.8	39/ 0	23	34	6	15	372	
Jaime Ellis	16/ 16	19/ 54	.352	5/ 20	.250	1/ 2	.500	44	2.8	4	13	17	1.1	12/ 0	17	37	0	6	236	
Andrea Seago	16/ 0	17/ 45	.378	0/ 0	.000	6/ 8	.750	40	2.5	8	27	35	2.2	27/ 0	4	9	1	4	203	
Si Nonginthirath	5/ 0	2/ 3	.667	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	4	.8	0	2	2	.4	2/ 0	1	8	0	1	18	
Margaret Blom	6/ 0	1/ 6	.167	0/ 0	.000	2/ 2	1.000	4	.7	1	2	3	.5	6/ 0	0	2	2	1	28	
Teresa O'Hearn	8/ 0	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	1/ 0	0	2	0	0	17	
StephanieStromm	5/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 1	.000	0	.0	1	3	4	.8	0/ 0	0	0	0	2	16	
Team Rebounds													87							

Golden Gophers	16/ 16	393/ 975	.403	34/ 157	.217	215/ 290	.741	1035	64.7	189	319	595	37.2	288/ 2	210	382	26	129	--
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Team Rebounds 84

Opponent Totals	16/ 16	529/1130	.468	63/ 230	.274	227/ 314	.723	1348	84.3	246	361	691	43.2	276/ 2	318	286	70	218	--
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/----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----/

PLAYER	/--TOTAL--/		/--- 3PT ---/		FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
	FG	FGA	FG	FGA									
Angie Iverson	6.7	13.6	.1	.5	5.3	6.8	18.8	11.6	1.6	2.8	.5	1.5	33.5
Mindy Hansen	4.4	11.8	.6	2.5	1.7	2.4	11.0	3.9	3.1	4.9	.4	1.6	31.1
Lynda Hass	3.2	8.5	.9	3.4	1.3	1.6	8.6	3.3	1.5	2.3	.0	.6	23.4
Sarah Klun	3.3	8.1	.1	.6	1.6	1.8	8.2	3.9	1.1	3.4	.1	.4	24.1
Kiauna Burns	2.4	6.6	.1	1.4	2.0	3.4	7.0	2.5	3.1	4.8	.1	2.1	33.8
Sonja Robinson	2.2	5.6	.0	.1	1.0	1.4	5.4	2.8	1.4	2.1	.4	.9	23.3
Jaime Ellis	1.2	3.4	.3	1.3	.1	.1	2.8	1.1	1.1	2.3	.0	.4	14.8
Andrea Seago	1.1	2.8	.0	.0	.4	.5	2.5	2.2	.3	.6	.1	.3	12.7
Si Nonginthirath	.4	.6	.0	.0	.0	.0	.8	.4	.2	1.6	.0	.2	3.6
Margaret Blom	.2	1.0	.0	.0	.3	.3	.7	.5	.0	.3	.3	.2	4.7
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.0	.3	.0	.0	2.1
StephanieStrommen	.0	.4	.0	.4	.0	.2	.0	.8	.0	.0	.0	.4	3.2
Golden Gophers	24.6	60.9	2.1	9.8	13.4	18.1	64.7	37.2	13.1	23.9	1.6	8.1	----
Opponent Totals	33.1	70.6	3.9	14.4	14.2	19.6	84.3	43.2	19.9	17.9	4.4	13.6	----

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	763	884	11	0	1658	60
Opponent Totals	979	1062	15	0	2056	53

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	3-23	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	55663	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	2141
Big Ten	1-15	HOME	15573	HOME AVERAGE	1298
Dial Soap Classic	1-1	AWAY	40090	AWAY AVERAGE	2864
UNLV Classic	1-1				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61-70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69-73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	!Wyoming	68-66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	!James Madison	56-64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60-78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62-75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63-66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	@Stephen F. Austin	63-80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	12/20	@Fairfield	74-68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48-61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63-82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61-67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47-68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	01/10	*Illinois	85-89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	01/12	*Michigan State	65-76	L H	1288 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7
16	01/17	*Ohio State	61-84	L A	3835 Hansen, 18	Klun, 6	Jones, 25	Jones, 9
17	01/19	*Northwestern	84-91	L H	2122 Hansen, 24	Iverson, 14	Chawansky, 27	Ratay, 8
18	01/24	*Penn State	62-83	L A	5646 Klun, 18	Iverson, 14	Potthoff, 20	Garner, 9
19	01/26	*#13 Wisconsin	57-84	L A	7260 Hass, 16	Klun, 7	Klapp, Wiersma, 17	Wiersma, 9
20	01/31	*Purdue	64-82	L H	1077 Iverson, 28	Iverson, 12	Roland, 27	Yasen, 7
21	02/02	*Ohio State	66-64	W H	1403 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 9	Moua, 13	Jones, 11
22	02/07	*Michigan State	51-102	L A	3788 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 13	Engen, 22	Rasmussen, 11
23	02/09	*#25 Illinois	76-95	L A	3235 Iverson, 30	Iverson, 18	Berggren, 20	Vasey, 13
24	02/16	*Indiana	75-103	L H	2045 Hansen, 23	Iverson, 15	Vesel, 22	Kerns, Honegger, 4
25	2/21	*Michigan	75-107	L A	3038 Iverson, 27	Iverson, 15	Johns, 20	Thomas, 9
26	02/23	*Iowa	42-78	L A	8769 Hansen, 11	Hansen, 9	Koering, Herring, 16	Smith 12

* Big Ten ! Dial Soap Classic @ UNLV Classic

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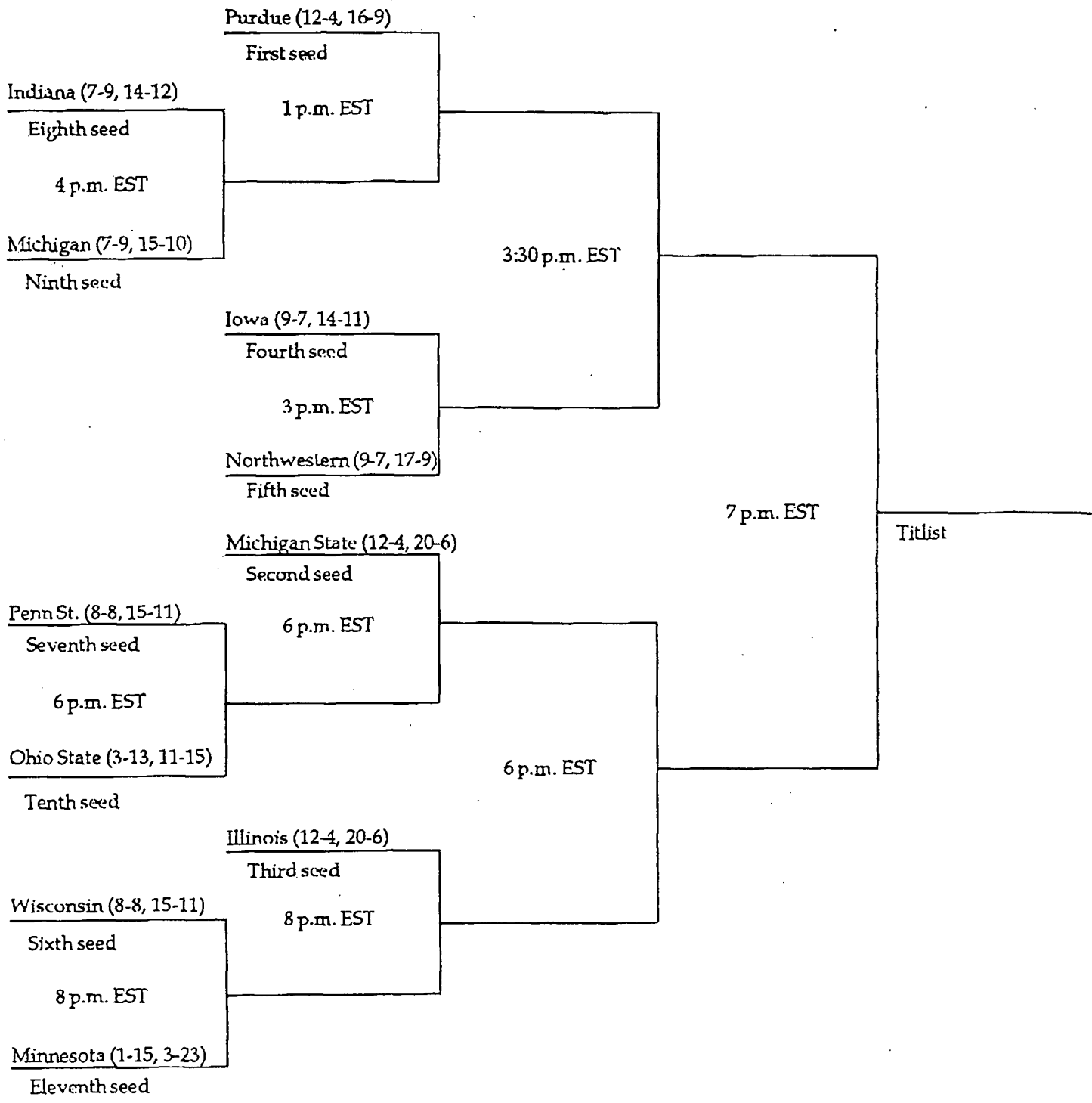
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First Round

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Quarterfinals

Sun., March 2
Semifinals

Mon., March 3
Finals



1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 7-4 Dual: 2-3 Invites: 3-0 Home: 4-1 Away: 3-3 Big Ten: 0-1 Top 25: 1-4

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/22--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1--Ohio State										
Illinois										
3/9--at Missouri										
3/14--Iowa State										
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										
Raw Average:	193.246									
RQS*:	193.185									

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining five scores are averaged. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Stacey Batza	9.900**	vs. UMass (2/21/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.850	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.875	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Mindy Knaeble	9.925*	at Michigan (1/18/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM VAULT	48.750*	at Iowa State (2/8/97)	
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	48.800	vs. Utah (2/15/97)	
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	48.425	vs. Utah (2/15/97)	
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	49.225	vs. Utah (2/15/97)	
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	195.000*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)	

*-school record

** ties school record

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.900	9.725				9.800					9.750	9.800	9.700	
Season Average	9.725	9.504				9.696					9.593	9.664	9.557	
Career Best	9.900	9.725		9.725		9.825		8.250		9.125	9.750	9.900	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.629	9.504		9.488		9.653		8.250		9.038	9.593	9.648	9.456	9.119
BARS														
Season Best		9.850	8.050		9.775		9.700			9.700			9.725	9.800
Season Average		9.689	8.050		9.414		9.571			9.618			9.643	9.396
Career Best	9.575	9.850	8.050		9.900	9.800	9.700			9.775		9.500	9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.689	8.050		9.553	9.323	9.571			9.352		9.381	9.553	9.523
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.850			9.825	9.875	8.950	9.550		9.800				
Season Average	9.354	9.514			9.582	9.614	8.950	9.267		9.614				
Career Best	9.825	9.850		9.725	9.925	9.900	8.950	9.775		9.825		9.775		
Career Average	9.412	9.514		9.375	9.580	9.631	8.950	9.345		9.550		9.129		
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.875		9.875		9.925		9.800				9.750		9.875
Season Average		9.804		9.746		9.882		9.569				9.607		9.857
Career Best	9.600	9.875		9.875	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.875
Career Average	9.421	9.804		9.688	9.423	9.712		9.441		9.396		9.624		9.636
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		39.300												
Season Average		38.511												
Career Best	38.275	39.300				39.075				37.900		38.375		
Career Average	37.486	38.511				38.404				37.575		37.833		

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 6-0

Big Ten: 3-0

Home: 5-0

Away: 1-0

Neutral:

Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at Syracuse		
3/1	vs. Maryland		
3/7	Ohio State		
3/9	Indiana		
3/24-30	at Hawaii		
4/4	Penn State		
4/12	at Michigan		
4/13	at Michigan State		
4/19	at Northwestern		
4/20	at Wisconsin		
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	2-0			6-4	2-1	10-6	.625
Jennifer Hayes					0-1		0-6		0-7	.000
Jana Hrdinova				1-0	4-0		6-4	3-0	11-4	.733
Alice Rangsithienchai		6-0					7-3	3-0	13-3	.813
Nora Sauska	6-0						10-1	3-0	16-1	.941
Kim Simonsen				3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	3-0	11-4	.733
Jenni Svehla			1-1				5-6		6-7	.461
Helen Wang						5-0	7-4	3-0	12-4	.750
Totals							47-31	17-1	81-35	.698

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-3		4-3	.667
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	4-1	1-0			2-1	5-1	.837
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1		4-1		1-2	4-2	.667
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-1	0-1		1-2	2-2	.500
				13-13		26-18	.590

**University of Minnesota
1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores**

Dual Record: 13-0			Big Ten: 7-0		Invationals: 2-0		Big Ten Championships: 2nd		
DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State	W	#9	178-117
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Wisconsin	W	#9	243-105
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue	W	#9	243-107
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois	W	#9	219-130
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa	W	#8	187-106
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge		#8	Unscored
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Champ.	2nd	#10	608.5 pts.
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center
Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)
Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)	Jenny Hennen 23.54 • Amy Cottrill 23.60 • Beth Shimanski 23.98 Terri Jashinsky 24.08 Devon Coellner 24.18	200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96) Beth Shimanski 2:01.87 Marta Knowles 2:03.70 Kimberly Wilson 2:05.96 Amy Cottrill 2:10.13 Alicia Hicken 2:12.12	400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78) 3:24.78* – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Devon Coellner, Beth Shimanski
100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.55)	Jenny Hennen 50.40 *• Amy Cottrill 51.11 • Terri Jashinsky 52.49 Krissy Berglund 52.51 Suzie Helvig 52.62	100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:02.03) Gretchen Hegener 1:01.81 #>• Devon Coellner 1:04.18 Kate McMillan 1:04.43 Michelle Fischer 1:05.78 Katie Olson 1:07.04	800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:25.29) 7:21.43* – Jenny Hennen, Alicia Hicken, Amy Cottrill, Olga Splichalova
200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)	Jenny Hennen 1:48.76 • Olga Splichalova 1:50.19 • Alicia Hicken 1:51.22 Amy Cottrill 1:51.80 Terri Jashinsky 1:52.98	200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:11.60) Gretchen Hegener 2:11.60 #>• Devon Coellner 2:19.87 Kate McMillan 2:20.54 Michelle Fischer 2:21.82 Jessica Smith 2:24.98	200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.15) 1:42.15*•> – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Amy Cottrill
500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.02)	Olga Splichalova 4:47.02 #* Kimberly Wilson 4:50.14 • Alicia Hicken 4:52.18 Jenny Hennen 4:58.75 Jessica Grass 5:01.59	100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24) Tanya Schuh 54.86 # Terry Jashinsky 55.52 • Jenny Hennen 57.45 Carrie Raeth 58.56 Jessica Grass 58.94	400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:43.05) 3:41.27*•> – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68S)	Olga Splichalova 9:50.10 Kimberly Wilson 10:02.04 Alicia Hicken 10:14.87 Jessica Grass 10:19.90 Jenny Hennen 10:21.44	200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69) Jessica Grass 2:02.73 • Terri Jashinsky 2:02.83 • Jenny Hennen 2:04.25 Tanya Schuh 2:05.33 Kimberly Wilson 2:07.64	1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13) Carrie Hansen 272.40 % Andrea Berg 268.90 % Jenny Cook 253.73 % Shelby Evadine Miller 233.25 Andrea Wheeler 173.95
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)	Kimberly Wilson 16:19.43 # Olga Splichalova 16:26.22 • Alicia Hicken 16:43.81 Elizabeth Weld 17:45.76 Marta Knowles 17:47.14	200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29) Gretchen Hegener 2:03.64 Jessica Grass 2:04.82 Devon Coellner 2:05.41 Jenny Hennen 2:06.46 Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72	1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15) Carrie Hansen 430.15 % Andrea Berg 428.75 % Jenny Cook 351.35 Shelby Evadine Miller 325.70 Andrea Wheeler 213.10
100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)	Shona Baillie 56.46 • Beth Shimanski 56.56 • Carrie Raeth 1:00.30 Marta Knowles 1:00.38 Terri Jashinsky 1:01.56	200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29) Gretchen Hegener 2:03.64 Jessica Grass 2:04.82 Devon Coellner 2:05.41 Jenny Hennen 2:06.46 Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72	3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90) Carrie Hansen 291.40 % Andrea Berg 283.65 % Jenny Cook 272.63 % Shelby Evadine Miller 254.55 Andrea Wheeler 188.70
		400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25) Jessica Grass 4:20.29 • Olga Splichalova 4:21.91 • Kimberly Wilson 4:25.92 Marta Knowles 4:30.41	3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51) Andrea Berg 516.90 % Carrie Hansen 469.35 % Jenny Cook 430.90 % Shelby Evadine Miller 384.00 Andrea Wheeler 280.10
		200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77) 1:33.11* – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Beth Shimanski	Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05) Carrie Hansen 325.35 % Jenny Cook 287.10 Andrea Wheeler 264.25
			Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75) Andrea Berg 436.55 % Carrie Hansen 480.95 % Shelby Evadine Miller 224.15

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time
•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Record

**16TH ANNUAL BIG TEN CONFERENCE WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS
COMPLETE RESULTS FOR ALL MINNESOTA SWIMMERS & DIVERS**

Junior SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA)

- 1. 400-yard medley relay 3:41.27
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA automatic qualifying time, school record)
- 1. 200-yard medley relay 1:42.15
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 4. 100-yard backstroke 56.46
(NCAA consideration time)

Senior ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WS/LIBERTY)

- 2. 3-meter diving 498.40
- 3. 1-meter diving 407.75
- 6. platform diving 436.55

Sophomore KRISSEY BERGLUND (SOMERVILLE, NJ)

- 31. 100-yard freestyle 52.51
- 37. 50-yard freestyle 24.31
- 25. 100-yard butterfly 58.96

Senior DEVON COELLNER (SALINA, KS/SOUTH)

- 4. 400-yard freestyle relay 3:24.78
(NCAA consideration time)
- 7. 100-yard breaststroke 1:04.24
- 13. 200-yard breaststroke 2:19.87
- 13. 200-yard individual medley 2:06.33
- TT 50-yard freestyle 24.18

Frosh AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY)

- 1. 200-yard medley relay 1:42.15
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 2. 800-yard freestyle relay 7:21.43
(NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 4. 400-yard freestyle relay 3:24.78
(NCAA consideration time)
- 8. 100-yard freestyle 51.11
(NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 12. 50-yard freestyle 23.60
(NCAA consideration time)
- 3. 200-yard freestyle relay 1:33.11
(NCAA consideration time)
- 18. 200-yard freestyle 1:49.73
(NCAA consideration time)

Frosh MICHELLE FISCHER (OSKOSH, WI/NORTH)

- 39. 200-yard individual medley 2:10.16
- 17. 100-yard breaststroke 1:05.78
- 23. 200-yard breaststroke 2:21.82

Senior JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT)

- 9. 200-yard butterfly 2:03.64
(NCAA consideration time)
- 9. 400-yard individual medley 4:20.29
(NCAA consideration time)
- 10. 200-yard individual medley 2:05.37

Senior CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)

- 4. 1-meter diving 397.20
- 5. 3-meter diving 443.75
- 5. platform diving 480.95

Junior GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLGONE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)

- 1. 100-yard breaststroke 1:00.18
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA automatic qualifying time, school record)
- 1. 200-yard breaststroke 2:11.60
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA qualifying time Minnesota school record)
- 1. 400-yard medley relay 3:41.27
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA automatic qualifying time, school record)
- 1. 200-yard medley relay 1:42.15
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 9. 200-yard individual medley 2:03.64
(NCAA consideration time)

Senior SUZIE HELVIG (MANDAN, ND)

- 44. 50-yard freestyle 24.54
- 36. 200-yard freestyle 1:53.92
- 36. 100-yard freestyle 52.62

Frosh JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)

- 1. 400-yard medley relay 3:41.27
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA automatic qualifying time, school record)
- 2. 800-yard freestyle relay 7:21.43
(NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 4. 400-yard freestyle relay 3:24.78
(NCAA consideration time)
- 4. 200-yard freestyle 1:48.76
(NCAA consideration time)
- 4. 100-yard freestyle 50.40
(NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 6. 50-yard freestyle 23.54
(NCAA consideration time)
- 3. 200-yard freestyle relay 1:33.11
(NCAA consideration time)

Senior **ALICIA HICKEN** (CAMPBELLVILLE, ON, CANADA)

- 2. 800-yard freestyle relay 7:21.43
(NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 9. 1,650-yard freestyle 16:43.81
- 11. 500-yard freestyle 4:52.18
(NCAA consideration time)
- 14. 200-yard freestyle 1:51.45
(NCAA consideration time)

Frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY** (MENOMONEE FALLS, MN)

- 3. 200-yard freestyle relay 1:33.11
(NCAA consideration time)
- 4. 200-yard butterfly 2:02.83
(NCAA consideration time)
- 4. 100-yard butterfly 55.52
(NCAA consideration time)
- TT 50-yard freestyle 24.08
- 38. 100-yard freestyle 52.88

Frosh **MARTA KNOWLES** (DENVER, CO/ST. MARY'S ACADEMY)

- 14. 200-yard backstroke 2:03.86
- 16. 400-yard individual medly 4:30.26
- 31. 200-yard individual medley 2:08.93

Frosh **KATE McMILLAN** (PALATINE, IL)

- 8. 100-yard breaststroke 1:04.78
- 16. 200-yard breaststroke 2:21.30
- 38. 200-yard individual medley 2:10.09

Sophomore **HEATHER MILLER** (WILLMAR, MN)

- 57. 50-yard freestyle 24.80
- 69. 200-yard freestyle 1:58.75
- 57. 100-yard freestyle 53.64

Sophomore **SHELBY MILLER** (NORTHFIELD, MN)

- 19. 3-meter diving 353.95
- 21. 1-meter diving 290.25
- 9. platform diving 224.15

Frosh **KATIE OLSON** (EDEN PRAIRIE, MN)

- 37. 100-yard butterfly 59.76
- 25. 100-yard breaststroke 1:07.04
- 44. 200-yard breaststroke 2:29.91
- TT 50-yard freestyle 25.08

Senior **CARRIE RAETH** (KALISPELL, MT/FLATHEAD)

- 12. 100-yard butterfly 57.45
- 56. 50-yard freestyle 24.75

Senior **TANYA SCHUH** (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)

- 1. 100-yard butterfly 54.91
(NCAA qualifying time)
- 1. 400-yard medley relay 3:41.27
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA automatic qualifying time, school record)
- 1. 200-yard medley relay 1:42.15
(Big Ten meet record, NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 18. 200-yard butterfly 2:05.38
- 74. 50-yard freestyle 25.12

Senior **BETH SHIMANSKI** (HUTCHINSON, MN)

- 3. 200-yard freestyle relay 1:33.11
(NCAA consideration time)
- 4. 400-yard freestyle relay 3:24.78
(NCAA consideration time)
- 5. 200-yard backstroke 2:01.87
- 5. 100-yard backstroke 56.56
(NCAA consideration time)
- 31. 50-yard freestyle 24.21
- TT 50-yard freestyle 23.98

Senior **JESSICA SMITH** (PORTLAND, OR/REYNOLDS)

- 61. 200-yard individual medley 2:14.00
- 35. 100-yard breaststroke 1:08.45
- 30. 200-yard breaststroke 2:24.98

Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA** (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)

- 1. 500-yard freestyle 4:47.02
(NCAA automatic qualifying time, school record)
- 3. 1,650-yard freestyle 16:26.22
- 2. 800-yard freestyle relay 7:21.43
(NCAA consideration time, school record)
- 7. 400-yard individual medly 4:25.42

Senior **ANDREA TOFT** (MINNETONKA, MN)

- 80. 50-yard freestyle 25.58
- TT 50-yard freestyle 25.46
- 76. 200-yard freestyle 2:02.78
- 77. 100-yard freestyle 55.80

Senior **ELIZABETH WELD** (EAU CLAIRE, WI/MEMORIAL)

- 43. 500-yard freestyle 5:08.99
- 60. 200-yard freestyle 1:57.00

Junior **KIMBERLY WILSON** (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)

- 1. 1,650-yard freestyle 16:19.43
(NCAA qualifying time)
- 7. 500-yard freestyle 4:51.94
(NCAA consideration time 4:50.14 in prelims)
- 12. 400-yard individual medly 4:25.92

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

55 Meters

1. Chanteaú White (g) (prelims) *,***	:06.96
2. Chanteaú White (c) (finals) ***	:06.97
3. Chanteaú White (g) (finals)	:07.00

200 meters

1. Yvette White (c)	:25.76
2. Shellie Braggs (c)	:25.93
3. Kim Heath (e)	:26.33

400 meters

1. Yvette White (e) *	:56.71
2. Yvette White (g) (trials)	:57.13
3. Yvette White (g) (finals)	:57.60

600 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (g) **	1:36.26
2. Kristie Stiles (f)	1:37.53
3. Alissa Bruss (f)	1:40.25

800 meters

1. Andrea Lentz (f)	2:17.14
2. Kristie Stiles (c)	2:19.88
3. Minna Haronoja (e)	2:21.15

Mile

1. Daphne Panhuysen (g) (finals)	4:51.72
2. Daphne Panhuysen (g) (trials)	4:54.45
3. Andrea Lentz (g)	4:57.45

3000 meters

1. Daphne Panhuysen (a) **, ***	9:46.80
2. Daphne Panhuysen (e)	9:47.13
3. Daphne Panhuysen (c)	9:48.28

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (e)	17:11.60
2. Anna Gullingsrud (g)	17:15.39
3. Kari Thompson (g)	17:25.10

55 meter hurdles

1. Chanteaú White (c)	:08.20
2. Chanteaú White (g) (trials)	:08.26
3. Chanteaú White (g) (finals)	:08.29

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Smith, Braggs, Blocker, Y. White (g)	3:51.91
2. Braggs, Y. White, Fuller, Gartner (e)	3:53.79
3. Smith, Braggs, Gartner, Y. White (f)	3:56.88

Distance Medley Relay

1. Zweig, Y. White, Haronoja, Lentz (g)	11:58.55
2. Zweig, Daniel, Stiles, Lentz (c)	12:31.35

High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (g)	5-5 1/4 (1.66m)
2. Apasha Blocker (e)	5-4 1/2 (1.64m)
3. Apasha Blocker (f)	5-3 3/4 (1.62m)

Long Jump

1. Chanteaú White (e) *, ***	19-11 1/2 (6.08m)
2. Natalie Smith (e) **	19-3 (5.87m)
3. Chanteaú White (g)	18-9 1/4 (5.72m)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (e) *, ***	41-3 3/4 (41-3 3/4m)
2. Christine Gulbrandsen (b) **	41-0 1/2 (12.51m)
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (a)	40-11 (12.47m)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (g) ***	50-2 3/4 (15.31m)
2. Dani Parkos (e) ***	48-7 1/2 (14.82m)
3. Dani Parkos (f) ***	48-6 1/4 (14.79m)

Pentathlon

1. Apasha Blocker (g)	3,598 points
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* Minnesota record

** Frosh record

*** NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, WI)

(c) Minnesota Invitational (Minneapolis, MN)

(d) Mercantile Bank Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)

(f) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(g) Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)



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Catch what you've been Missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 7
TN hosts Ohio State 6:30 p.m.
TF at NCAA Championships
(Indianapolis, IN)

Saturday, March 8
TF at NCAA Championships

Sunday, March 9
TN hosts Indiana 8 a.m.
TF at NCAA Championships
GY at Corvette Cup 7 p.m.
(Columbia, MO)

Monday, March 10
GF at Peggy Kirk Bell Invite
(Winter Park, FL)

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Women's Athletics to sponsor Book Fair
- Tuesday National Sports-like Conduct Day
- Track awaits invitations to NCAA Championships
- Undefeated Tennis hosts Ohio State and Indiana
- New Tennis rankings to be released Tuesday
- Gymnastics travels to Missouri
- Golf to play in the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational

East Week's Highlights

- Gretchen Hegener named Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for third time this season
- Basketball beats Wisconsin, loses to Illinois to end year
- Angie Iverson named second-team all-Big Ten
- #15 Gymnastics defeats Illinois and Ohio State
- #11 Softball finishes third at Troy Cox Invitational
- #39 Tennis defeats nationally-ranked Syracuse and Maryland, Sauska remains undefeated in spring
- Dani Parkos wins shot put at Last Chance meet

Announcements

WOMEN'S ATHLETICS TO SPONSOR BOOK FAIR--The University of Minnesota Women's Athletics Department and Barnes & Noble Bookstores are sponsoring a Book Fair on Saturday, March 8, at the Barnes & Noble store located on 3216 W. Lake Street (near Lake Calhoun). The Fair will take place from 1-3 p.m. and a portion of the proceeds from the event will benefit the Berg Scholarship Fund.

TICKETS FOR THE 1997 BIG TEN GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS ON SALE--Tickets for the 1997 Big Ten Gymnastics Championships are now on sale at the Gopher Ticket Office. Please call 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER to order your tickets.

HEGENER NAMED ATHLETE OF THE MONTH--Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)** named the Minnesota Athlete of the Month for February. This is the third time this season Hegener has won the award. She was also the Minnesota January athlete of the Month and the Big Ten Swimmer of the Month.

During February at the Big Ten Conference Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, **Hegener** was:

- named the co-Big Ten Swimmer of the Year
- set or help set four Big Ten championship meet records
- set or help set Minnesota school records
- won two individual titles at the conference championships
- shared in two medley relay titles
- placed ninth in one event
- automatically qualified for the NCAA championships in three events
- swam NCAA consideration times in two events

In dual meets and invitationals during the month of February, **Hegener** was:

- first in the 200-yard backstroke at the Minnesota Challenge
- first in the 200-yard freestyle relay at the Minnesota Challenge
- first in the 200-yard medley relay against Iowa
- first in the 50-yard freestyle against Iowa

HALLDORSON TO APPEAR AT GALYAN'S IN MINNETONKA--Head hockey coach **Laura Halldorson** will appear at Gaylan's in Minnetonka on Saturday, Mar. 8, between 11 a.m.-12 noon. Halldorson will appear on Hockey Week Minnesota hosted by KFAN's Mike Woodley beginning at 11 a.m.

TUESDAY IS NATIONAL SPORTS-LIKE CONDUCT DAY--Minnesota women's athletics, along with the Office of Student Development, will take part in the seventh-annual National Sports-like Conduct Day, Tuesday, Mar. 4, as designated by the Institute for International Sport and the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. In the "Dare to Play Fair" celebration, athletes will be encouraged to promote the values of sport and raise awareness of the critical issues of ethics and fair play.

Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota waits to find out if any athletes have qualified for the NCAA championships. Five athletes have provisionally qualified in six events. The NCAA championships will be held March 8-9 in Indianapolis, Ind.

MINNESOTA'S PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS — Junior **CHANTEAU WHITE (ALLEN, TX/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE)** has provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in both the long jump and the 55-meter dash. Senior **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** has provisionally qualified in the shot put five times this season. Other qualifiers: frosh **DAPHNE PANHUYSEN (MAASTRICHT, NETHERLANDS/'T STEDYLE)** in the 3000-meter dash, frosh **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KATEDRALSKOLE)** in the triple jump and sophomore **TINA McDONALD (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST)** in the shot put.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota sent nine athletes to the Last Chance Meet in Ames, Iowa. Leading the way for the Gophers was **Dani Parkos**, who won the shot put and provisionally qualified for the fifth time this season. **Chanteau White** broke her own school record in the 60-meter dash with a time of :07.56. The distance medley relay team of **ANDREA LENTZ (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR)**, **YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON)**, **KRISTIE STILES (EDEN PRAIRIE, MN/EDEN PRAIRIE)** and **Daphne Panhuysen** ran the second-fastest time in school history, 11:48.1. In the long jump, **NATALIE SMITH (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL)** placed third and **Chanteau White** sixth.

Minnesota Results, Last Chance Meet

60-meter dash: **Chanteau White**, :07.56 (school record)
5000-meter run: **Anna Gullingsrud**, 17:50.20
Distance Medley Relay: **Lentz, Y. White, Stiles, Panhuysen**, 11:48.1
Long Jump: **Natalie Smith** 18-8; **Chanteau White** 18-1 3/4
Shot Put: **Dani Parkos** 49-11 1/4; **Tina McDonald** 46-2

NEW MINNESOTA RECORDS SET IN 1997 —

Varsity Records

55-meter dash: **Chanteau White**, :06.96
60-meter dash: **Chanteau White**, :07.56
400-meter dash: **Yvette White**, :56.71
Long Jump: **Chanteau White**, 19-11 1/2 (6.08m)
Triple Jump: **Christine Gulbrandsen**, 41-3 3/4 (12.59m)

Frosh Records

600-meter run: **Kristie Stiles**, 1:36.26
1000-meter run: **Daphne Panhuysen**, 2:52.68
3000-meter run: **Daphne Panhuysen**, 9:46.80
Long Jump: **Natalie Smith**, 19-3 (5.87m)

Triple Jump: **Christine Gulbrandsen**, 41-3 3/4 (12.59m)

MINNESOTA'S ALL-TIME INDOOR TOP TEN LIST —

Chanteau White ranks in the top ten of four all-time lists. **White** holds school records in the 55-meter dash, 60-meter dash and the long jump. She also holds fifth place in the 55-meter hurdles. **Yvette White** ranks on three lists: first in the 400-meter dash, eighth in the 55-meter hurdles and eighth in the 200-meter dash. **Apasha Blocker** is the school record holder in the pentathlon and also ranks ninth all-time in the triple jump and tenth in the high jump. **Christine Gulbrandsen** holds the top spot in the triple jump and is tenth in the 55-meter hurdles. **Kimberly Heath** ranks first in the 200-meter dash and second in the 55-meter dash. **Daphne Panhuysen** ranks second all-time in the 1000-meter run, fifth in the mile and sixth in the 3000 meter run. In the shot put, **Dani Parkos** holds the number two spot while **Tina McDonald** is sixth. **Natalie Smith** ranks third in the long jump and fourth in the triple jump. The distance medley relay team of **Andrea Lentz**, **Yvette White**, **Kristie Stiles** and **Daphne Panhuysen** ranks second time. Two 4 x 400-meter relay teams moved into the top ten this season. The team of **Natalie Smith**, **Shellie Braggs**, **Apasha Blocker** and **Yvette White** are fifth all-time, while the team of **Shellie Braggs**, **Yvette White**, **Kay Fuller** and **Alisa Gartner** ranks sixth. **Kristie Stiles** is sixth in the 600-meter run. **Anna Gullingsrud** is eighth in the 5000-meter run. **Shellie Braggs** is seventh in the 400-meter dash and tenth in the 200-meter dash. **Andrea Lentz** is ninth in the mile run. **Keri Zweig** is tenth in the 1000 meter run.



MINNESOTA RETURNS HOME FOR BIG TEN PLAY--

Minnesota returns home to play Big Ten rivals Ohio State and Indiana, Friday, Mar. 7 and Sunday, Mar. 9, respectively, at the 98th Street Racquet Club in Bloomington, Minn. Friday's match begins at 6:30 p.m., while Sunday's first serve is 8 a.m. Ohio State is 5-5 on the season and 1-1 in the Big Ten, while #49 Indiana is 8-1 this year with its only loss coming to #3 Duke.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--The Gophers are off to their best start in history with a perfect 8-0 record and 3-0 in the Big Ten. Minnesota has won almost 90 percent of its singles matches during the dual meet season and has three players who are undefeated in **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)**, **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)**.

The Gophers are playing with an extremely young lineup as three sophomores and three newcomers are currently in the top six. Juniors **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** and **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)**, who is currently out with a shoulder injury, have also seen time in the lineup this season.

Minnesota is currently ranked #39 in the nation but should move up in the next set of rankings. The new rankings will be released March 4.

Sauska is currently 8-0 in the spring and leads the Gophers with 18 victories against only one loss. **Rangsithienchai** is currently second in wins with 15, followed by **Helen Wang** with 13.

OFF TO A GOOD START--The 8-0 record is the best start for the Minnesota tennis program. The previous best start was during the 1988-89 season when the Gophers started the year 6-0.

LINEUP CHANGES--After an initial lineup change due to the injury of **Jenni Svehla**, the Gophers have used the same lineup the past six matches. **Nora Sauska**, **Alice Rangsithienchai**, **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** are the only Gophers to play in all eight matches.

Minnesota's probable starting lineup

#1 Nora Sauska	Doubles:
#2 Alice Rangsithienchai	#1 Sauska/Elkins
#3 Kim Simonsen	#2 Hayes/Hrdinova
#4 Tarah Elkins	#3 Simonsen/Rangsithienchai
#5 Jana Hrdinova	
#6 Helen Wang	

BOTTOM OF LINEUP MOVING MINNESOTA TO THE TOP--Positions 4-6 are keeping Minnesota on top this season as they are perfect thus far in spring play. The bottom three position of **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/UNITED CENTRAL SOUTH)**, **Jana Hrdinova** and **Helen Wang** have a

combined record of 18-2 so far this season.

MINNESOTA SINGLES PLAY DOMINATES OF LATE--

The singles play of the Gophers has been fantastic this spring as they have lost only six singles matches. The Gophers singles record is currently 42-6 (.875) for the dual meet season.

DOUBLES HAS STRUGGLED PAST TWO MATCHES--

Minnesota had been undefeated (15-0) in doubles until getting swept by Illinois two weeks ago. Minnesota then lost the doubles point to Iowa and to Maryland. The loss of **Jenni Svehla** has impacted the doubles lineup causing head coach **Martin Novak** to shift his lineup. **Alice Rangsithienchai**, who was playing with **Svehla**, is now paired with **Kim Simonsen**; the pair is 3-3 on the year.

GOPHER REWIND--#51 SYRACUSE--

Minnesota swept #51 Syracuse, 7-0, in Syracuse, NY. Minnesota swept all three doubles matches earning the doubles points and then won all six singles matches in straight sets. **Nora Sauska** defeated **Nicole Stradnova**, who is ranked #75 in the nation, 6-2, 7-5. **Jennifer Hayes** also got her first singles victory of the season with a 6-1, 6-2 win over **Cordula Bode**.

#37 MARYLAND--Minnesota had its stiffest challenge yet this season with a 4-3 victory over #37 Maryland. The Gophers lost the doubles point after losing two of three matches. Minnesota rebounded to win four of six singles matches. Three of the four wins were in three-set thrillers. **Nora Sauska** played her first three-set match of the season, defeating **Lorraine Bittles**, ranked #73 in the nation, 7-6, 2-6, 6-2. **Alice Rangsithienchai** also went three sets with #79 **Thea Ivanovic** before prevailing 3-6, 6-3, 6-0. **Tarah Elkins** and **Helen Wang** were also singles winners for Minnesota.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY--Minnesota is ranked 39th in the fall Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. **Nora Sauska** is the only Minnesota player ranked in the individual rankings. She is 47th in the nation after posting a 10-1 fall record and winning two singles titles and a doubles title.

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS--**Nora Sauska** won her 18th match of the season against only one defeat. **Sauska** had won 10 matches in a row until falling at the Rolex Regional Qualifier in November. She has now won eight in a row to start the spring season.

RANGSITHIENCHAI BACK WITH A VENGEANCE--

Alice Rangsithienchai, the 1996 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year, is playing strong for Gophers again this season. **Rangsithienchai** has won 15 matches this season, good for second on the team.

UP NEXT--The Gophers travel to Hawaii for their spring training trip. The Gophers have one match scheduled while they are in Hawaii.



GOLFERS TO FLORIDA FOR PEGGY KIRK BELL

INVITATIONAL--The 20th-ranked University of Minnesota women's golf team travels to Winter Park, Fla., March 9-11, for the 15-team Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational and a co-am tournament. Hosted by Rollins College, the 54-hole invitational is at the par 72 Alaqua Country Club, March 10-11. The tournament, playing at 5,849 yards, opens with 36-holes on Monday, with the final 18 on Tuesday. A co-am practice round will be held on Sunday, March 9.

Teams in the field are Rollins College, Campbell University, University of Central Florida, Florida Atlantic University, Florida International University, Florida Southern College, Indiana University, Jackson State University, University of Miami, University of Minnesota, University of Missouri, Northern Illinois University, University of Notre Dame, Penn State University and Stetson University.

GOPHER LINE-UP: The Gopher line-up for the Peggy Kirk Bell is:

- #1 junior **AMY DAHLE** (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE);
- #2 senior **CAROLYN KLECKER** (RIVERS FALLS, WI);
- #3 senior **CATHY LINDBLAD** (WILLMAR, MN);
- #4 junior **KERI SAWVELL** (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI);
- #5 sophomore **MELANIE LEPP** (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL).

PAST GOPHER RESULTS AT PEGGY KIRK BELL -

Minnesota last competed at the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational in the spring of 1993, when the team placed third at 943, with former Gopher **Sara Evens** finishing third at 229. **Evens** was first at the 1992 Peggy Kirk Bell with a 221, when Minnesota was also first at 937. Prior to 1992, Minnesota's last appearance at the Peggy Kirk Bell was in the spring of 1984, when the team finished sixth at 946 in a field of 19 teams, and former Gopher **Nancy Harris** was 10th at 228.

UP NEXT--Minnesota travels to Chapel Hill, NC, for its spring training trip. Minnesota will play in a tournament will in Chapel Hill.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO MISSOURI FOR CORVETTE CUP—The 15th-ranked University of Minnesota women's gymnastics team travels to Columbia, Mo., Sunday, Mar. 9, for the Corvette Cup. Eastern Michigan, Iowa, Missouri and Minnesota will all participate in the meet. Meet time is 7 p.m.

MISSOURI--Missouri is 6-10 on the season after falling to Oklahoma over the weekend. 194.600-189.000. Missouri did beat Iowa earlier this season with its highest score of the year, 193.775-191.300. The Tigers are led by **Amanda Peterson** and **Charise Schrupp**. **Peterson** has won three beam titles and was the all-around champion at the Shakespeare's Festival with a 38.675. **Schrupp** has won two vault titles and the beam against SE Missouri State. On the season, **Schrupp** is averaging 9.717 on the vault, while **Peterson** is at 9.609.

EASTERN MICHIGAN--Eastern Michigan is 5-2 on the season after losing to SE Missouri State 195.225-192.175. Eastern Michigan set a team record on the beam against SE Missouri with a score of 48.925. EMU is led by **Kim Miller**. **Miller** set a school record in both the beam (9.85) and the all-around (39.050) and scored a season-best 9.775 on the bars. **Miller** holds EMU's top score on every event but the vault. On the vault, **Rachel Johnson** scored a 9.90 at Central Michigan.

IOWA--Information on Iowa was unavailable as press time.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON—Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, **Stephenson** owns a 59-70 overall record at Minnesota. **Stephenson** came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES—**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHERS DEFEAT BOTH ILLINOIS AND OHIO STATE IN BIG TEN PREVIEW--Ohio State posed a serious threat to the Gophers, but Minnesota's floor exercise once again came through in the clutch as the Gophers scored 194.500 in defeating Ohio State and Illinois Saturday night at the Sports Pavilion. Ohio State scored 192.225, while Illinois had a 188.775.

The Gophers won three individual events on the night. **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/ MEXICANADEL NORESTE)** won the bars with a 9.85, tying her career-high. **CATHY KEYSER (PLYMOUTH, MN/ AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY)** was first on the beam with a season-high 9.875 and **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN)** won the floor with a 9.90.

Ohio State and Minnesota were neck and neck going in to the last rotation, but Minnesota scored a 49.225 on the floor,

compared to only 48.375 on the beam for the Buckeyes.

SEASON BESTS SET AGAINST OSU AND ILLINOIS--A number of season-bests were set at last Saturday's meet including:

Cathy Keyser: Bars (9.775); Beam (9.875)

Kristen Vandersall: Bars (9.825)

Judith Cavazos: Bars (9.850-t)

Melissa Chang: Bars (9.575)

Jenny Mazzone: Beam (9.30)

Mindy Myhre: Floor (9.80-t)

Jonda Hammons: Floor (9.875-t)

MINNESOTA SCORES SECOND-HIGHEST FLOOR MARK OF ALL-TIME--Minnesota recorded the second-highest floor exercise mark in school history against Illinois and Ohio State Saturday night. Minnesota scored a 49.225, just missing its best score of 49.275 set against Utah last season. The Gophers did not have a mark below 9.725 and had three scores of 9.85 or higher.

BATZA TIES SCHOOL VAULT RECORD— Junior **Stacey Batza** landed a 9.90 to tie teammate **Kim Sveum** for the school record on the vault against UMass. **Sveum** has scored 9.9 on the vault twice in her career, both during the 1996 season. **Batza** and **Sveum** have been the forces behind a much-improved Gopher vaulting squad which has posted four of the best five team scores in the event this season. Minnesota scored a school-record 48.55 on the vault against Utah.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS—In only eight meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** has earned five all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did against #2 Utah. Competing against Utah's **Traci Sommer** and **Denise Jones**, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, **Cavazos** broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. **Sommer** scored 39.1 and **Jones** had 39.025. **Cavazos** also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. **Cavazos** has recorded four of the top eight all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Illinois, Ohio State, Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of Minnesota. Against Michigan, she finished second to the Wolverines' **Sarah Cain** but beat defending Big Ten champion **Beth Amelkovich** of the Wolverines in the process.

KNAEBLE FLOORS 'EM AGAIN—In all eight of Minnesota's meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble**, who is ranked eighth in the nation in the event, continued her outstanding season on the floor with a 9.9 against Illinois and Ohio State. She broke the school record in the event on Jan. 18 with a 9.925 at Michigan, and she scored 9.9 at the season-opening Best of Minnesota meet and in a dual meet with Arizona. **Knaeble** now has seven of the Gophers' eight best marks ever in the event and 10 of the top 19, including the 9.925, which tied the Minnesota individual record for any apparatus. **Knaeble**, the defending Big

Ten champion in the floor exercise, has won the floor exercise in seven of Minnesota's eight meets this year.

MORE ON THE FLOOR—Mindy Knaeble isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked fourth in the nation on the floor exercise, and the team has recorded the second-, third-, fourth-, sixth-, eighth- and ninth-best scores in school history in the event so far this season. Minnesota is taking dead aim on the school record of 49.275, which was set against Utah last season. Four Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including Knaeble's school record. Kristen Vandersall, ranked 12th in the nation on the floor exercise, tied her personal best against UMass and Utah with a 9.875, and Judith Cavazos also set a personal record with a 9.875 against Utah. Senior JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI) tied her career-high at the Best of Minnesota with a 9.875 and scored that again against Illinois and Ohio State. Knaeble, Vandersall and Hammons have combined to produce 18 of Minnesota's 20 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only Lori Kindler, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

MINNESOTA HOSTS BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS—Minnesota will host the Big Ten Gymnastics Championships on March 22-23 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet will include both the men's and women's championships. The women's event will begin at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 22. Tickets are now on sale. To order tickets or for more information, call the Gopher ticket office at 624-8080 during normal business hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE—Minnesota returns home to hosts Iowa State in its final tuneup of the season before the Big Ten Championships. The Gophers compete against the Cyclones at the Sports Pavilion Friday, Mar. 14, at 7 p.m.

Softball

GOPHER SOFTBALL TEAM OFF FOR THREE WEEKS — The University of Minnesota softball team has three weeks off until it sees its next action. The Gophers, 19-5 overall, travel to Atlanta to play Georgia Tech on Monday, March 24 and Georgia State on Tuesday, March 25.

MINNESOTA THIRD AT TROY COX — Minnesota posted a 5-3 record in the Troy Cox Invitational to place third behind champion Ohio State and runner-up New Mexico State.

HEGLAND NAMED TO ALL-TOURNEY TEAM — Amber Hegland was the only Gopher player selected to the Troy Cox all-tournament team. Hegland came up big at the plate bringing home 11 RBI with a .297 batting average, while defensively playing the entire tournament in right field.

BEELER TIES CAREER HOME RUN MARK — Just 86 games into her collegiate career, sophomore shortstop Shannon Beeler is now tied for the Minnesota career home run record. Beeler belted her fourth and fifth homers of the season in last weekend's Troy Cox Invitational to give her 15 in her brief career as a Gopher. Beeler shares the record with current Minnesota assistant coach Jennifer McGuinness, who played for the Gophers from 1991-94.

GOPHERS RANKED 11TH — The Gophers were ranked #11 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Defending national champion Arizona continued to hold the #1 position. The next poll will be released Wednesday, March 4.

ABOUT MINNESOTA—Minnesota looks to improve on its 44-18 record from a year ago and has the talent and depth to do so. Two all-Americans, first-teamer Rachel Nelson and second-teamer Amber Hegland, highlight the group of 16 returning letterwinners from a squad which finished second in the Big Ten with a 17-6 mark.

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN—Minnesota head coach Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 174-147-1 (.542). Bernstein-O'Brien owns a Big Ten record of 68-64 (.515) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach Julie Standerling is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while Jennifer McGuinness is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

STAT LEADERS — Rachel Nelson improved her batting average to .474 on the season by hitting .625 in the seven games of the Triangle Classic. She also leads the team in runs scored with 12. Amber Hegland also upped her average over the last

week and now owns a .432 batting average. Thanks to 14 RBI in the nine games played last week, **Shannon Beeler** has increased her team-high RBI total to 20 on the season. **Wendy Logue** owns the most wins on the pitching staff, heading into this week's action with a 6-1 record. **Steph Klaviter** won four games last week to improve her mark to 5-1. **Jennifer Johnson** is 3-0.

NELSON SETS CAREER HITS MARK — All-America outfielder **Rachel Nelson** hit her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over Robert Morris during the Triangle Classic to set a new Minnesota career hits record. The old record of 259 hits was held by **Lezlie Weiss** (1990-93). After last weekend's action, **Nelson** has 269 hits in her career.

GOPHER REWIND

Game 17 — Feb. 27 — Las Cruces, N.M.

Minnesota 4, New Mexico 2

Minnesota	300	100	0	4	7	1
New Mexico	000	011	0	2	4	5

W - Steph Klaviter (6-1), L - Robertshaw, SV - Jennifer Johnson (3), HR - none

Notes: Minnesota scores all the runs it would need in the top of the first inning. **Dana Ballard** slaps a two-run single for the big hit. **Jennifer Johnson** relieves **Steph Klaviter** in the bottom of the seventh with a runner on first. **Johnson** earns the save, retiring the side with two strikeouts and a line drive to second.

Rachel Nelson is the only Gopher with two hits, going 2-for-4.

Game 18 — Feb. 27 — Las Cruces, N.M.

Baylor 5, Minnesota 4

Baylor	102	010	01	5	11	1
Minnesota	100	010	20	4	9	0

W - Carrie Arn, L - Jennifer Johnson (3-1), SV - Stacey Allison, HR - none.

Notes: Baylor captures its second one-run decision over Minnesota this season with an extra-inning 5-4 victory. The Bears tally the winning run on an RBI double in the top of the eighth inning. The Gophers have **Lara Severson** on third base with one out in the bottom of the inning, but **Jodi Halvorson** hits into a double play to end the game. **Jennifer Johnson** suffered her first loss of the season, after replacing starter **Wendy Logue** for the eighth inning. **Laura Peters** goes a perfect 3-for-3 to lead the Gopher offense.

Game 19 — Feb. 28 — Las Cruces, N.M.

Minnesota 6, Wichita State 2

Minnesota	310	020	0	6	8	0
Wichita State	002	000	0	2	5	2

W - Steph Klaviter (7-1), L - Trudi Maosi, SV - Jennifer Johnson (4), HR - none.

Notes: The Gophers jump to a 3-0 lead in the top of the first inning. **Rachel Nelson** walks, steals second and then scores on a **Amber Hegland** single to lead off the game. Starter **Steph Klaviter** gives up just five hits but leaves the game in the bottom of the seventh with bases loaded. **Jennifer Johnson** gathers her fourth save of the season forcing a flyout to center and a grounder to the shortstop. **Shannon Beeler** and **Hegland**

each collect two hits in the game.

Game 20 — Feb. 28 — Las Cruces, N.M.

New Mexico State 2, Minnesota 0

Minnesota	000	000	0	0	3	0
New Mexico State	000	020	-	2	3	2

W - Danny Dunn, L - Jennifer Johnson (3-2), HR - none.

Notes: Minnesota and pitcher **Jennifer Johnson** lose a heart-breaker in the 2-0 defeat to New Mexico State. **Johnson** throws a three-hitter, but unfortunately one of those hits comes on a two-run home run in the fifth inning. The Gophers strand six runners in their second shutout loss of the season.

Game 21 — March 1 — Las Cruces, N.M.

Minnesota 8, Furman 1

Minnesota	003	121	1	8	12	0
Furman	010	000	0	1	3	0

W - Steph Klaviter (8-1), L - Stacey Rose, HR - Erin Keen, Shannon Beeler (4)

Notes: Shortstop **Shannon Beeler** goes 2-for-3 from the plate with a double and a three-run home run to bring home five RBI and pace the Gophers to the victory. **Steph Klaviter** gives up just three hits, one of them a home run to account for Furman's only run. **Steph Midthun**, **Jodi Halvorson** and **Laura Peters** also belt two hits in the game.

Game 22 — March 1 — Las Cruces, N.M.

Ohio State 4, Minnesota 2

Minnesota	001	010	0	2	7	1
Ohio State	011	002	0	4	8	1

W — Meaghan Robinson, L - Steph Klaviter (8-2), HR - Jaime Chenevey

Notes: Ohio State breaks a 2-2 tie with a pair of unearned runs in the bottom of the sixth inning off **Steph Klaviter**, who had relieved starter **Wendy Logue** in the inning. **Steph Midthun** and **Amber Hegland** both go 2-for-3 in the game and account for all of the Gophers' scoring. **Midthun** scored both runs on RBI singles by **Hegland**.

Game 23 — March 2 — Las Cruces, N.M.

Minnesota 8, Loyola 0

Loyola	000	000	0	0	1	2
Minnesota	014	003	-	8	8	0

W - Wendy Logue (7-1), L - Erin Henke, HR - Shannon Beeler (5)

Notes: **Wendy Logue** tosses a one-hitter in her first pitching decision of the week with an 8-0 win over Loyola. **Shannon Beeler** belts a grand slam home run in the third inning to break the game open. **Beeler's** fifth homer of the season brings her career total to 15, tying the Minnesota career home run record. **Rachel Nelson**, **Steph Midthun** and **Amber Hegland** all contribute two hits.

Game 24 — March 2 — Las Cruces, N.M.

Minnesota 7, Texas Tech 4

Minnesota	001	101	4	7	13	0
Texas Tech	020	100	1	4	7	1

W - Jennifer Johnson (4-2), L - Danielle Brady, HR - Paula Workman

Notes: Minnesota breaks a 3-3 tie with four runs in the top of the seventh inning to provide the winning margin. **Laura Peters** starts the rally with a single and then scores on a triple by **Shannon Beeler**. **Amber Hegland**, **Tracy Carey** and **Ann Bartholmey** also pick up RBI in the seventh. **Bartholmey** went 3-for-4 in the game. **Steph Klaviter** starts the game but gives way to **Jennifer Johnson** in the bottom of the seventh. **Johnson** is touched for a home run but retires the side with three strikeouts.

USA Today / NFCA Coaches Top 25

Poll #1 — Feb. 26

Rank	School	Record	Points	LtWk
1.	Arizona (25)	15-0	625	1
2.	Fresno State	9-0	600	3
2.	UCLA	13-4	569	2
4.	Washington	12-3	529	4
5.	Michigan	4-2-1	465	5
6.	South Carolina	5-2	451	9
7.	Long Beach State	13-5	422	14
8.	Oklahoma State	9-2	400	11
9.	Iowa	5-1	394	6
10.	California	9-5	336	8
11.	MINNESOTA	14-2	330	20
12.	South Florida	8-0	322	16
13.	Southwestern Louisiana	5-3	314	7
14.	Cal State Northridge	7-2-2	300	15
15.	Arizona State	8-2	287	25
16.	Florida State	10-4	243	17
17.	Oklahoma	11-6	235	10
18.	Cal State Fullerton	7-5	174	12
19.	Cal Poly SLO	16-2	161	NR
20.	Missouri	8-0	135	NR
21.	Princeton	0-0	130	18
22.	Baylor	9-3	123	NR
23.	UNLV	7-5	112	13
24.	Hawaii	10-7-1	88	22
25.	Nicolls State	12-3	62	NR

Receiving Votes: Utah (51), Nebraska (50), Florida (41), Kansas (25), Connecticut (23), DePaul (22), Illinois State (17), Stanford (16), Tennessee (15), Massachusetts (13), Utah State (10), Colorado State (9), Oregon (9), Pacific (8), Texas (7), Notre Dame (4), Southwest Missouri State (4), Central Michigan (2), Georgia (1).

Basketball

MINNESOTA ENDS SEASON WITH WIN OVER WISCONSIN, LOSS TO ILLINOIS--Minnesota, 4-24 overall and 1-15 in the Big Ten regular season, ended the year by defeating Wisconsin, 80-75, in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament in Indianapolis. Minnesota then lost to Illinois 98-76 in the second round to close out the season.

GOPHER REWIND--WISCONSIN--Minnesota, the 11th seed, played a perfect game and upset Wisconsin, the #6 seed, 80-75, in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament in Indianapolis.

Minnesota trailed 39-35 at the half and was down by as many as six in the second half before tying the game on a **Sarah Klun** 11-footer with 11:04 to go. The Gophers then took the lead on a free throw by **Mindy Hansen** with 10:35 in the game. Wisconsin regained the lead and went ahead by four with 4:04 to go. Minnesota battled back with two free throws from **Angie Iverson** and a **Kiauna Burns** layup to tie the game at 70-70 with 2:49 to go. Minnesota then took the lead for good with a 14-5 run that started on a **Hansen** 15-footer with 2:01 to go. The Gophers then got a layup and four clutch free throws from **Burns** putting the Gophers ahead by eight with 40.5 remaining. Wisconsin's **Keisha Anderson** made a three pointer to close the gap to 78-73 before **Burns** made two free throws to preserve the win.

Iverson had 16 points and 15 rebounds for the Gophers, her 18th double-double of the season. **Hansen** led all scorers with 19 points, while **Burns** had her best game of the season tying a career-high with 13 points. She also had a career-high seven steals and held first-team all-Big Ten guard **Anderson** to 14 points and two steals. **Klun** had 10 points for the Gophers, while **Lynda Hass** had nine.

Minnesota, who had lost the last five games to the Badgers by an average of 22 points, shot 47 percent for the game and took away the Badgers' inside game. The last time the two teams met, Wisconsin outrebounded the Gophers 31-8 on the offensive glass. On Friday, Minnesota outrebounded UW 34-29.

#18 ILLINOIS--Minnesota ended its season Saturday with a 98-76 loss to Illinois in the second round of the Big Ten Tournament.

Illinois took advantage of a season-high 40 turnovers, including 29 in the first half by the Gophers, and converted them into 44 points. Illinois took an early 10-0 lead in the game and extended it to 24 by halftime at 49-25. Minnesota did outscore Illinois in the second half, 51-49, but it was not enough.

Minnesota did receive another outstanding performance from **Angie Iverson**. **Iverson** finished with her 19th double-double of the season with 22 points and 14 rebounds. **Mindy Hansen** also had 17 points and eight rebounds but did have 10 turnovers.

Ashley Berggren led the Illinois with 21 points, as six players finished in double figures. **Alicia Sheeler** had 13 points, while **Katie Coleman** had 12 points.

IVERSON NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-BIG TEN--

Junior **Angie Iverson** was named second-team all-Big Ten by the media and third-team all-Big Ten by the coaches. **Iverson** becomes the first Minnesota player since **Shannon Loeblein** in 1995 to earn second-team honors. The rest of the all-Big Ten teams:

Media all-Big Ten team

First team: Keisha Anderson, Wisconsin; Angie Potthoff, Penn State; Jannon Roland, Purdue; Ashley Berggren, Illinois; Michele Ratay, Northwestern

Second team: **Angie Iverson, Minnesota;** Pollyanna Johns, Michigan; Paula Sanders, Michigan State; Stephanie White, Purdue; Kristina Divjak, Northwestern

Third team: Tamika Matlock, Michigan State; Nicole Cushing-Adkins, Michigan State; Angela Hamblin, Iowa; Alicia Sheeler, Illinois; Ann Klapperich, Wisconsin

Honorable Mention: Krista Reinking, Illinois; Quacy Barnes, Indiana; Nadine Domond, Tangela Smith, Iowa; Stacey Thomas, Michigan; Megan Chawansky, Northwestern; Marcie Alberts, Larecha Jones, Ohio State; Corissa Yasen, Purdue

Player of the Year: Ashley Berggren, Illinois

Frosh of the Year: Stacey Thomas, Michigan

Coaches all-Big Ten team

First team: Angie Potthoff, Penn State; Jannon Roland, Purdue; Ashley Berggren, Illinois; Keisha Anderson, Wisconsin; Paula Sanders, Michigan State

Second team: Stephanie White, Purdue; Michele Ratay, Northwestern; Kristina Divjak, Northwestern; Tamika Matlock, Michigan State; Pollyanna Johns, Michigan

Third team: **Angie Iverson, Minnesota;** Angela Hamblin, Iowa; Alicia Sheeler, Illinois; Quacy Barnes, Indiana; Megan Chawansky, Northwestern

Honorable Mention: Kristi Green, Indiana; Tangela Smith, Iowa; Stacey Thomas, Michigan; Nicole Cushing-Adkins, Michigan State; Corissa Yasen, Purdue; Ann Klapperich, Wisconsin

Player of the Year: Jannon Roland, Purdue

Frosh of the Year: Stacey Thomas, Michigan

IVERSON FOURTH ON BIG TEN AND MINNESOTA REBOUNDING LIST FOR A SEASON--Angie Iverson

finished the year with 344 rebounds on the season, good for fourth all-time in Minnesota and Big Ten history.

Minnesota single-season list

1. Linda Roberts 387 (1977-78)
2. Linda Roberts 378 (1978-79)
3. Linda Roberts 362 (1980-81)
4. **Angie Iverson 344 (1996-97)**

Big Ten single-season list

1. Theresa Huff, Wisconsin 394 (1981-82)
2. Denise Jackson, Indiana 366 (1982-83)
3. Denise Jackson, Indiana 348 (1981-82)
4. **Angie Iverson, Minnesota 344 (1996-97)**

ON THE CAREER LISTS--With her 643 rebounds, **Angie Iverson** has moved into ninth place all-time in Minnesota history on the rebounding list. **Iverson** could finish as high as fourth on both the Minnesota and Big Ten lists when her career concludes next season.

IVERSON RECORD SECOND-HIGHEST MINNESOTA REBOUND AVERAGE--Angie Iverson

recorded the second-

highest season rebound average in history with her 12.3 rebounds a game. **Denise Erstad** holds the record at 15.8 boards a game set in 1974-75.

IVERSON FINISHES WITH THIRD-HIGHEST REBOUND AVERAGE IN CONFERENCE GAMES--Angie Iverson

finished with 11.6 rebounds a game in conference play, the third-highest total in Big Ten history. **Denise Jackson** holds the record of 12.9 set in 1983. **Iverson** also finished tied for ninth with 186 points on the season.

IVERSON FINISHES THIRD IN MINNESOTA HISTORY IN FREE THROWS MADE IN A SEASON--Angie Iverson

can also shoot the ball as she finished with 149 made free throws, the third-highest total in Minnesota history. **Laura Coenen** holds the record at 158 set in 1984-85.

IVERSON TIES BIG TEN AND SETS MINNESOTA MARK FOR REBOUNDS IN A GAME--Angie Iverson

pulled down 25 rebounds against Colorado State in December setting a Minnesota record and tying the Big Ten mark. The old Minnesota record was 23 set by **Molly Tadich** against Northwestern in 1984. **Iverson** now shares the Big Ten record with **Leslie Schultz** of Purdue, set in 1981.

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Indoor Track and Field Bests

55 Meters

1. Chanteaú White (g) (prelims) *,***	:06.96
2. Chanteaú White (c) (finals) ***	:06.97
3. Chanteaú White (g) (finals)	:07.00

200 meters

1. Yvette White (c)	:25.76
2. Shellie Braggs (c)	:25.93
3. Kim Heath (e)	:26.33

400 meters

1. Yvette White (e) *	:56.71
2. Yvette White (g) (trials)	:57.13
3. Yvette White (g) (finals)	:57.60

600 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (g) **	1:36.26
2. Kristie Stiles (f)	1:37.53
3. Alissa Bruss (f)	1:40.25

800 meters

1. Andrea Lentz (f)	2:17.14
2. Kristie Stiles (c)	2:19.88
3. Minna Haronoja (e)	2:21.15

Mile

1. Daphne Panhuysen (g) (finals)	4:51.72
2. Daphne Panhuysen (g) (trials)	4:54.45
3. Andrea Lentz (g)	4:57.45

3000 meters

1. Daphne Panhuysen (a) **, ***	9:46.80
2. Daphne Panhuysen (e)	9:47.13
3. Daphne Panhuysen (c)	9:48.28

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (e)	17:11.60
2. Anna Gullingsrud (g)	17:15.39
3. Kari Thompson (g)	17:25.10

55 meter hurdles

1. Chanteaú White (c)	:08.20
2. Chanteaú White (g) (trials)	:08.26
3. Chanteaú White (g) (finals)	:08.29

4x400 Meter Relay

1. Smith, Braggs, Blocker, Y. White (g)	3:51.91
2. Braggs, Y. White, Fuller, Gartner (e)	3:53.79
3. Smith, Braggs, Gartner, Y. White (f)	3:56.88

Distance Medley Relay

1. Lentz, Y. White, Stiles, Panhuysen (h)	11:48.10
2. Zweig, Y. White, Haronoja, Lentz (g)	11:58.55
3. Zweig, Daniel, Stiles, Lentz (c)	12:31.35

High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (g)	5-5 1/4 (1.66m)
2. Apasha Blocker (e)	5-4 1/2 (1.64m)
3. Apasha Blocker (f)	5-3 3/4 (1.62m)

Long Jump

1. Chanteaú White (e) *, ***	19-11 1/2 (6.08m)
2. Natalie Smith (e) **	19-3 (5.87m)
3. Chanteaú White (g)	18-9 1/4 (5.72m)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (e) *, ***	41-3 3/4 (41-3 3/4m)
2. Christine Gulbrandsen (b) **	41-0 1/2 (12.51m)
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (a)	40-11 (12.47m)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (g) ***	50-2 3/4 (15.31m)
2. Dani Parkos (h) ***	49-11 1/4 (15.22m)
3. Dani Parkos (e) ***	48-7 1/2 (14.82m)

Pentathlon

1. Apasha Blocker (g)	3,598 points
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* Minnesota record

** Frosh record

*** NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Northwest Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(b) Badger Track Classic (Madison, WI)

(c) Minnesota Invitational (Minneapolis, MN)

(d) Mercantile Bank Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

(e) Iowa State Classic (Ames, Iowa)

(f) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis, MN)

(g) Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)

(h) Last Chance Meet (Ames, Iowa)

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 8-0

Big Ten: 3-0

Home: 5-0

Away: 2-0

Neutral: 1-0

Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State		
3/9	Indiana		
3/24-30	at Hawaii		
4/4	Penn State		
4/12	at Michigan		
4/13	at Michigan State		
4/19	at Northwestern		
4/20	at Wisconsin		
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	4-0			6-4	2-1	12-6	.667
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	1-0	0-6		1-7	.125
Jana Hrdinova				1-0	5-1		6-4	3-0	12-5	.706
Alice Rangsitienchai		8-0					7-3	3-0	15-3	.833
Nora Sauska	8-0						10-1	3-0	18-1	.947
Kim Simonsen			1-1	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	3-0	12-5	.706
Jenni Svehla			1-1				5-6		6-7	.461
Helen Wang						6-0	7-4	3-0	13-4	.764
Totals							47-31	17-1	91-37	.711

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-3		4-3	.667
Hayes/Rangsitienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska		5-2	1-0		2-1	6-2	.750
Svehla/Rangsitienchai			2-0			2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes		0-1	2-0	4-1	1-2	6-2	.750
Rangsitienchai/Simonsen			2-1	1-2	1-2	3-3	.500
Totals				13-13		30-20	.600

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 9-4 Dual: 2-3 Invites: 3-0 Home: 6-1 Away: 3-3 Big Ten: 0-1 Top 25: 1-4

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	—MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/22--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- Ohio State	194.500	192.225	48.150	48.475	48.650	47.000	48.475	48.375	49.225	48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri										
3/14--Iowa State										
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										
Raw Average:	193.403									
RQS*:	193.404									

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the high score and the low score are eliminated and the remaining six scores are averaged. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Stacey Batza	9.900**	vs. UMass (2/21/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.850	vs. Utah (2/15/97) & Illinois/Ohio State (3-1-97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.875	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
	Cathy Keyser	9.875	vs. Illinois/Ohio State (3-1-97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Mindy Knaeble	9.925*	at Michigan (1/18/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM VAULT		48.750*	at Iowa State (2/8/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		48.800	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		48.475	vs. Illinois/Ohio State (3-1-97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.225	vs. Utah (2/15/97) & Illinois/Ohio State (3-1-97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		195.000*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)

*-school record

** ties school record

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.900	9.725				9.800					9.750	9.800	9.700	
Season Average	9.706	9.525				9.691					9.584	9.672	9.547	
Career Best	9.900	9.725		9.725		9.825		8.250		9.125	9.750	9.900	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.628	9.525		9.488		9.653		8.250		9.038	9.584	9.651	9.456	9.119
BARS														
Season Best		9.850	9.575		9.775		9.700			9.700			9.725	9.825
Season Average		9.709	8.813		9.459		9.571			9.619			9.634	9.450
Career Best	9.575	9.850	9.575		9.900	9.800	9.700			9.775		9.500	9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.709	8.813		9.564	9.323	9.571			9.360		9.381	9.553	9.530
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.850			9.875	9.875	8.950	9.550		9.800				
Season Average	9.340	9.550			9.619	9.634	8.950	9.267		9.628				
Career Best	9.825	9.850		9.725	9.925	9.900	8.950	9.775		9.825		9.775		
Career Average	9.406	9.550		9.375	9.594	9.635	8.950	9.345		9.555		9.129		
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.875		9.875		9.925		9.800				9.750		9.875
Season Average		9.803		9.763		9.884		9.597				9.622		9.856
Career Best	9.600	9.875		9.875	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.875
Career Average	9.421	9.803		9.692	9.423	9.718		9.453		9.396		9.628		9.641
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		39.300												
Season Average		38.588												
Career Best	38.275	39.300				39.075				37.900		38.375		
Career Average	37.486	38.588				38.404				37.575		37.833		

1996-97 FINAL STATISTICS
Basketball Statistics -- Minnesota 1996-97
(Includes 28 Games)

PLAYER	---/-- TOTAL --/			/--- 3PT ---/						OFF DEF TOT									
	G/ GS	FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	REB	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
Angie Iverson	28/ 28	162/ 342	.474	2/ 10	.200	149/ 196	.760	475	17.0	143	201	344	12.3	85/ 1	38	89	11	34	916
Mindy Hansen	28/ 20	135/ 361	.374	18/ 73	.247	47/ 77	.610	335	12.0	35	87	122	4.4	59/ 1	85	147	10	45	895
Sarah Klun	28/ 28	93/ 232	.401	3/ 14	.214	54/ 61	.885	243	8.7	39	64	103	3.7	82/ 3	35	87	2	21	686
Lynda Hass	26/ 1	78/ 204	.382	19/ 74	.257	39/ 53	.736	214	8.2	40	50	90	3.5	43/ 1	33	55	4	18	577
Kiauna Burns	28/ 16	66/ 178	.371	6/ 41	.146	56/ 99	.566	194	6.9	21	49	70	2.5	69/ 2	81	132	7	65	872
Sonja Robinson	28/ 20	62/ 172	.361	0/ 3	.000	38/ 55	.691	162	5.8	43	65	108	3.9	67/ 1	43	69	12	24	680
Jaime Ellis	27/ 27	37/ 111	.333	14/ 59	.237	10/ 13	.769	98	3.6	6	25	31	1.2	33/ 0	56	69	2	16	524
Andrea Seago	28/ 0	35/ 77	.455	0/ 0	.000	13/ 18	.722	83	3.0	14	49	63	2.3	45/ 0	7	21	9	5	368
Si Nonginthirat	7/ 0	2/ 4	.500	0/ 1	.000	2/ 2	1.000	6	.9	0	2	2	.3	2/ 0	1	8	0	1	24
Margaret Blom	8/ 0	1/ 7	.143	0/ 0	.000	2/ 2	1.000	4	.5	1	4	5	.6	9/ 0	0	2	2	1	42
Teresa O'Hearn	10/ 0	0/ 1	.000	0/ 0	.000	0/ 0	.000	0	.0	1	0	1	.1	1/ 0	0	4	0	0	24
StephanieStromm	6/ 0	0/ 2	.000	0/ 2	.000	0/ 1	.000	0	.0	1	3	4	.7	0/ 0	1	0	0	2	17
Team Rebounds													185						
Golden Gophers	28/ 28	671/1691	.397	62/ 277	.224	410/ 577	.711	1814	64.8	344	599	1128	40.3	495/ 9	380	683	59	232	--
Team Rebounds													139						
Opponent Totals	28/ 28	865/1953	.443	120/ 407	.295	379/ 551	.688	2229	79.6	438	629	1206	43.1	523/ 8	514	534	127	381	--

----- PER-GAME AVERAGES -----																			
PLAYER	/-TOTAL-/			/- 3PT -/															
	FG	FGA	FG%	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PTS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN					
Angie Iverson	5.8	12.2	.474	2.0	10.0	14.9	19.6	17.0	12.3	1.4	3.2	.4	1.2	32.7					
Mindy Hansen	4.8	12.9	.374	1.8	7.3	4.7	7.7	12.0	4.4	3.0	5.3	.4	1.6	32.0					
Sarah Klun	3.3	8.3	.401	0.3	1.4	5.4	6.1	8.7	3.7	1.3	3.1	.1	.8	24.5					
Lynda Hass	3.0	7.9	.382	1.9	7.4	3.9	5.3	8.2	3.5	1.3	2.1	.2	.7	22.2					
Kiauna Burns	2.4	6.4	.371	0.6	4.1	5.6	9.9	6.9	2.5	2.9	4.7	.3	2.3	31.1					
Sonja Robinson	2.2	6.1	.361	0.0	0.3	3.8	5.5	5.8	3.9	1.5	2.5	.4	.9	24.3					
Jaime Ellis	1.4	4.1	.333	1.4	5.9	1.0	1.3	3.6	1.2	2.1	2.6	.1	.6	19.4					
Andrea Seago	1.3	2.8	.455	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.8	3.0	2.3	.3	.8	.3	.2	13.1					
Si Nonginthirath	.3	.6	.500	0.0	1.0	0.3	0.3	.9	.3	.1	1.1	.0	.1	3.4					
Margaret Blom	.1	.9	.143	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	.5	.6	.0	.3	.3	.1	5.3					
Teresa O'Hearn	.0	.1	.000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	.0	.1	.0	.4	.0	.0	2.4					
StephanieStrommen	.0	.3	.000	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	.0	.7	.2	.0	.0	.3	2.8					
Golden Gophers	24.0	60.4	.397	6.2	27.7	41.0	57.7	64.8	40.3	13.6	24.4	2.1	8.3	---					
Opponent Totals	30.9	69.8	.443	12.0	40.7	37.9	55.1	79.6	43.1	18.4	19.1	4.5	13.6	---					

SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL	DEADBALL REBOUNDS
Golden Gophers	823	980	11	0	1814	60
Opponent Totals	1067	1147	15	0	2229	53

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	4-24	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	55663	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	1988
Big Ten	1-15	HOME	15573	HOME AVERAGE	1298
Dial Soap Classic	1-1	AWAY	40090	AWAY AVERAGE	2506
UNLV Classic	1-1				

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
1	11/22	Western Illinois	61-70	L A	0 Klun, 18	Iver, Robinson, 10	Darden, 20	Bloch, 8
2	11/24	Iowa State	69-73	L H	976 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Olson, 28	Olson, 14
3	11/30	Wyoming	68-66	W H	948 Hansen, 14	Iverson, 14	Ingalls, 19	Ingalls, 10
4	12/01	James Madison	56-64	L H	1621 Robinson, 14	Robinson, 11	Schreib, 13	Schreib, 9
5	12/03	Colorado State	60-78	L A	1086 Iverson, 16	Iverson, 25	Hammon, 25	Randles, 15
6	12/06	Marquette	62-75	L H	1207 Klun, 12	Iverson, 12	Barnard, 15	Oliver, 12
7	12/15	Wisc.-Green Bay	63-66	L A	420 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 8	Beaber, 18	Beaber, Reimean, 10
8	12/19	@Stephen F. Austin	63-80	L	100 Iverson 18	Iverson 9	Price 24	Davis, Smith 9
9	12/20	@Fairfield	74-68	W	200 Iverson, Hansen 13	Iverson 15	Grossarth 28	Driscoll 7
10	12/28	*Iowa	48-61	L H	1122 Hansen, 15	Iverson, 9	Hamblin, 22	Edwards, 9
11	12/20	*Michigan	63-82	L H	890 Iverson, 17	Iverson, 17	Thomas, 18	Thomas, 9
12	01/03	*Indiana	61-67	L A	1211 Iverson, 21	Iverson, 11	Vesel, 17	Honegger, 11
13	01/07	Nebraska	47-68	L A	1502 Hansen, 16	Iverson, 12	DeForge, 11	Rogers, 8
14	01/10	*Illinois	85-89	OT L H	874 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 22	Leonhardt, 7
15	01/12	*Michigan State	65-76	L H	1288 Iverson, 24	Iverson, 12	Cushing-Adkins, 16	Sanders, 7
16	01/17	*Ohio State	61-84	L A	3835 Hansen, 18	Klun, 6	Jones, 25	Jones, 9
17	01/19	*Northwestern	84-91	L H	2122 Hansen, 24	Iverson, 14	Chawansky, 27	Retay, 8
18	01/24	*Penn State	62-83	L A	5646 Klun, 18	Iverson, 14	Potthoff, 20	Garner, 9
19	01/26	*#13 Wisconsin	57-84	L A	7260 Hass, 16	Klun, 7	Klapp, Wiersma, 17	Wiersma, 9
20	01/31	*Purdue	64-82	L H	1077 Iverson, 28	Iverson, 12	Roland, 27	Yasen, 7
21	02/02	*Ohio State	66-64	W H	1403 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 9	Moua, 13	Jones, 11
22	02/07	*Michigan State	51-102	L A	3788 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 13	Engen, 22	Rasmussen, 11
23	02/09	*#25 Illinois	76-95	L A	3235 Iverson, 30	Iverson, 18	Berggren, 20	Vasey, 13
24	02/16	*Indiana	75-103	L H	2045 Hansen, 23	Iverson, 15	Vesel, 22	Kerns, Honegger, 4
25	2/21	*Michigan	75-107	L A	3038 Iverson, 27	Iverson, 15	Johns, 20	Thomas, 9
26	02/23	*Iowa	42-78	L A	8769 Hansen, 11	Hansen, 9	Koering, Herrig, 16	Smith 12
27	2/28	Wisconsin	80-75	W N	0 Hansen, 19	Iverson, 15	Paulius, 20	Klapperich, 12
28	03/01	Illinois	76-98	L N	0 Iverson, 22	Iverson, 14	Berggren, 21	Leonhardt, 7

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 14

GY hosts Iowa State 7 p.m.
DV hosts NCAA Zone Meet 11 a.m.

Saturday, March 8

DV hosts NCAA Zone Meet 10 a.m.

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Gymnastics closes regular season by hosting Iowa State
- Aquatic Center host to NCAA Zone Diving Meet

Last Week's Highlights

- #16 Gymnastics wins Corvette Cup
- Gymnast Kim Sveum sets Minnesota vault record
- #38 Tennis suffers first defeat of season
- Nora Sauska captures 20th victory of season
- Softball team moves to #10 in poll

Announcements

TICKETS FOR THE 1997 BIG TEN GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS ON SALE--Tickets for the 1997 Big Ten Gymnastics Championships are now on sale at the Gopher Ticket Office. Please call 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER to order your tickets.

Diving

UNIVERSITY AQUATIC CENTERS HOST NCAA ZONE DIVING -- The coed NCAA Zone C Diving Meet will be at the University of Minnesota Aquatic Center, Friday and Saturday, March 14-15. The zone meet is the qualifying meet for divers to continue on to the national championships.

On Friday, the women compete in 3-meter springboard diving, with the men on the 1-meter board. On Saturday, the women compete on the low board with the men on the high one. Ninety minutes after the springboard diving is completed on Saturday, the men and women compete together in platform diving.

Eight divers will qualify from the zone meet for the NCAA championships, March 20-22. Automatic qualifiers will be the top three divers in the two springboard events and the top two in platform diving.

GOPHERS HAVE TWO DIVERS IN ZONE MEET -- Minnesota has two divers in the NCAA Zone C Diving Meet, seniors **CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)** and **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)**. Berg is a 1995 all-America Honorable Mention selection for the Gophers, placing 11th in both springboard events, while Hansen is hoping for her first trip to the NCAA championships.

Softball

GOPHERS MOVE UP TO #10 IN POLL--The Gopher softball team moved up one spot to #10 in last week's USA Today / National Fastpitch Coaches Association national poll. Arizona continues to hold down the #1 ranking, while Minnesota joins Michigan (#7), Iowa (#9) and Michigan State (#25) as ranked Big Ten teams. The Gophers next action is Monday, March 24, when they travel to Georgia Tech.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS HOST IOWA STATE--The 15th-ranked University of Minnesota women's gymnastics team hosts Iowa State on Friday, March 14, at 7 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion. The meet is the Gophers' final regular-season tuneup before hosting the Big Ten Championships on Saturday, March 22. Minnesota is 12-4 overall (4-1 Big Ten) after winning the team title in the Corvette Cup in Missouri in their last competition.

CORVETTE CUP CHAMPS -- Minnesota set the team vault record and tied the team floor exercise mark in tallying a score of 193.775 to capture the team title of the Corvette Cup at the University of Missouri. Missouri finished second with a score of 192.925, followed by Eastern Michigan's 191.850 and Iowa's 189.800.

SVEUM SETS VAULT RECORD -- Junior **KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT)** set a new vault record with a 9.925 in winning the event at the Corvette Cup. Sveum and sophomore **STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR)** shared the old record with a 9.90.

IOWA STATE -- Iowa State is 8-6 overall and ranked #18 nationally. The Cyclones placed second out of three teams at Florida on March 7 in their last outing. Friday's meet marks the second time that the Gophers have faced the Cyclones this season. Minnesota defeated Iowa State by a score of 193.700 to 191.900 on Feb. 8 in Ames, IA. Iowa State has shown vast improvement since that time, posting a record team score of 195.600 against Oklahoma and a 195.100 versus Nebraska. The Cyclones have set school records in all events except on floor exercise. **Kim Mazza** owns the all-around record with a 39.325 and is one-third of the Mazza senior sister act for the Cyclones. Completing the Mazza triplets are **Katie**, who competes on bars and beam, and all-arounder **Karen**.

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON--Head coach Jim Stephenson is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, Stephenson owns a 62-70 overall record at Minnesota. Stephenson came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES--**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHER REWIND --
GOPHERS HIT ON VAULT AND FLOOR TO WIN TITLE
-- Minnesota posted record team totals on vault and floor exercise to defeat Missouri, Eastern Michigan and Iowa, and capture the Corvette Cup title. The Gophers, led by **Kim Sveum's** record 9.925, tallied a team score of 49.125 to set a new Minnesota record on the vault. The floor exercise continued to

be the Gophers' marquee event. Minnesota tied the team record in the event with a score of 49.275.

In addition to Sveum winning the vault, three other Gophers were event champions. **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANADEL NORESTE)** set a personal and team season best in winning the uneven bars with a score of 9.875. **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN)** and **JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI)** shared the crown on floor exercise each scoring a 9.9.

CAREER BESTS SET AT MISSOURI--A number of career--bests were set or tied at last Sunday's meet:

Judith Cavazos: Vault (9.850); Bars (9.850-t)

Melissa Chang: Bars (9.650)

Jonda Hammons: Floor (9.900)

Mindy Myhre: Floor (9.800-t)

Kristi Selinger: Vault (9.800)

Kim Sveum: Vault (9.925); Floor (9.775)

Kristen Vandersall: Floor (9.875- t)

MINNESOTA SET VAULT RECORD -- The record page which included the vault can be ripped out and thrown away. The Gophers rewrote the records in grand fashion at Missouri in compiling the team record of 49.125, smashing the old record of 48.750 set earlier this season at Iowa State. En route the record, the Gophers tallied four of the top six scores in the meet, including the record of 9.925 by Kim Sveum. **Judith Cavazos** posted her career high with a 9.850, as did **KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/GATEWAY)** with a 9.8. **Stacey Batza** added a 9.825.

GOPHERS TIE FLOOR EXERCISE MARK -- Each and every Gopher hit their floor routine helping Minnesota to a tie of the team record with a total of 49.275. **Mindy Knaeble** continued her excellence in the event but had to share the glory with teammate **Jonda Hammons** who landed a career-best 9.9 to tie Knaeble for the event title. With the pair of 9.9's leading the way, the lowest score on the event for the Gophers was a 9.775.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS—In only nine meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** has earned five all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did against #2 Utah. Competing against Utah's **Traci Sommer** and **Denise Jones**, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, **Cavazos** broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. **Sommer** scored 39.1 and **Jones** had 39.025. **Cavazos** also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. **Cavazos** has recorded four of the top eight all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Illinois, Ohio State, Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of Minnesota. Against Michigan, she finished second to the Wolverines' **Sarah Cain** but beat defending Big Ten champion **Beth Amelkovich** of the Wolverines in the process.

KNAEBLE FLOORS 'EM AGAIN—In all nine of Minnesota's meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has

scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble**, who is ranked eighth in the nation in the event, continued her outstanding season on the floor with a 9.9 at the Corvette Cup. She broke the school record in the event on Jan. 18 with a 9.925 at Michigan, and she has scored 9.9 four times in '97. **Knaeble** now has eight of the Gophers' ten best marks ever in the event, including the 9.925 which tied the Minnesota individual record for any apparatus. **Knaeble**, the defending Big Ten champion in the floor exercise, has won the floor exercise in eight of Minnesota's nine meets this year.

MORE ON THE FLOOR—**Mindy Knaeble** isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked fourth in the nation on the floor exercise, and the team has recorded the first-, second-, third-, fourth-, sixth-, eighth- and ninth- best scores in school history in the event so far this season. Competing with the same rotation on floor throughout '97, all six Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including **Knaeble's** school record. **KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG)**, ranked 12th in the nation on the floor exercise, tied her personal best of 9.875 for the fifth time this season at Missouri, and **Judith Cavazos** set a personal record with a 9.875 against Utah. Senior **Jonda Hammons** matched the second-best mark in school history with her personal-best 9.9 at Missouri. **Knaeble, Vandersall** and **Hammons** have combined to produce 23 of Minnesota's 24 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only **Lori Kindler**, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

MINNESOTA HOSTS BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS—Minnesota will host the Big Ten Gymnastics Championships on March 22-23 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet will include both the men's and women's championships. The women's event will begin at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 22. Tickets are now on sale. To order tickets or for more information, call the Gopher ticket office at 624-8080 during normal business hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.



ABOUT MINNESOTA — Minnesota has won 83 percent of its singles matches during the dual meet season. At the number one singles position, newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNAZIUM)** is undefeated in the spring season.

The Gophers are playing with an extremely young lineup as three sophomores and three newcomers are currently in the top six. Juniors **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** and **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)**, who is currently out with a shoulder injury, have also seen time in the lineup this season.

Minnesota is currently ranked #38 in the nation as a team. The Gophers have two ranked individuals in **Nora Sauska** and **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)**. Sauska, 20-1 on the season, is ranked 41st, while **Rangsithienchai**, who is 16-4, is ranked 91st.

Sauska is currently 10-0 in the spring and leads the Gophers with 20 victories against only one loss. **Rangsithienchai** is currently second in wins with 16, followed by **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** with 13.

SAUSKA LOOKS TO CONTINUE SUCCESS — **Nora Sauska** won her 20th match of the season against only one defeat. Sauska had won 10 matches in a row until falling at the Rolex Regional Qualifier in November. She has now won 10 in a row to start the spring season.

RANGSITHIENCHAI BACK WITH A VENGEANCE — **Alice Rangsithienchai**, the 1996 Big Ten Newcomer of the Year, is playing strong for Gophers again this season. **Rangsithienchai** has won 16 matches this season, good for second on the team.

LINEUP CHANGES — After an initial lineup change due to the injury of **Jenni Svehla**, the Gophers have used the same lineup the past eight matches. **Nora Sauska**, **Alice Rangsithienchai**, **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** are the only Gophers to play in all 10 matches.

Minnesota's probable starting lineup

- #1 Nora Sauska
- #2 Alice Rangsithienchai
- #3 Kim Simonsen
- #4 Tarah Elkins
- #5 Jana Hrdinova
- #6 Helen Wang

Doubles:

- #1 Sauska/Elkins
- #2 Hayes/Hrdinova
- #3 Simonsen/Rangsithienchai

BOTTOM OF LINEUP MOVING MINNESOTA TO THE TOP — Positions 4-6 are keeping Minnesota on top this season. The bottom three positions of **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/UNITED CENTRAL SOUTH)**, **Jana Hrdinova** and **Helen Wang** have a combined record of 21-5 so far this season.

MINNESOTA SINGLES PLAY DOMINATES OF LATE — The singles play of the Gophers has been fantastic this spring as they have lost only 10 singles matches. The Gophers singles record is currently 50-10 (.833) for the dual meet season.

DOUBLES HAS STRUGGLED — Minnesota had been undefeated (15-0) in doubles until getting swept by Illinois Feb. 16. Minnesota then lost the doubles point to Iowa, Maryland and Indiana. The loss of **Jenni Svehla** has impacted the doubles lineup, causing head coach **Martin Novak** to shift his lineup. **Alice Rangsithienchai**, who was playing with **Svehla**, is now paired with **Kim Simonsen**; the pair is 5-3 on the year.

GOPHER REWIND — OHIO STATE — The Gophers remained undefeated on the season as they beat the Buckeyes 6-1 to open the spring season 9-0. **Nora Sauska** swept her match 6-0, 6-0 over **Kristin Jordan**. Sauska and **Alice Rangsithienchai**, who won her match 6-1, 4-6, 6-1, remained the only undefeated Gophers as **Helen Wang** lost her first match of the season. Other individual winners for the Gophers were **Kim Simonsen**, **Tarah Elkins** and **Jana Hrdinova**.

#33 INDIANA — Minnesota suffered their first setback of the dual meet season as they fell to #33 Indiana. The Gophers lost the doubles point and three of the singles points to lose the match, 4-3. Minnesota was led by **Nora Sauska**, who remains undefeated at the #1 position after beating **Correne Stout** by a score of 7-5, 6-0. At the #2 spot, **Alice Rangsithienchi** lost her first match of the dual meet season as she fell to **Megan McCarney**, 6-3, 6-2. Also winning for the Gophers were **Kim Simonsen** and **Jana Hrdinova**, who each won two matches during the weekend.

GOPHERS RANKED NATIONALLY — Minnesota is currently ranked 38th in the fall Rolex Collegiate Rankings. Last season, the Gophers ended the year #41 after getting as high as #30 in the spring. **Nora Sauska** and **Alice Rangsithienchai** are both ranked individually.

UP NEXT — The Gophers travel to Hawaii for their spring training trip. The Gophers have one match scheduled while they are in Hawaii.

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 12-4 Dual: 2-3 Invites: 3-0 Home: 6-1 Away: 6-3 Big Ten: 4-1 Top 25: 1-4

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/22--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
#20 UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- OSU/IL	194.500		48.150		48.650		48.475		49.225	
Ohio State		192.225		48.475		47.000		48.375		48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri	193.775		49.125		48.775		46.600		49.275	
Missouri		192.925		48.600		47.250		48.625		48.450
Eastern Michigan		191.850		48.050		48.150		47.325		48.325
Iowa		189.800		47.775		48.400		45.900		47.725
3/14--Iowa State										
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										
Raw Average:	193.444									
RQS*:	193.906									

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the top two home, top two away and next two best scores are identified. The high and low scores are dropped and the remaining four are averaged for the RQS.. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.925*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.875	at Missouri (3/9/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.875	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
	Cathy Keyser	9.875	vs. Illinois/Ohio State (3-1-97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Mindy Knaeble	9.925*	at Michigan (1/18/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM VAULT		49.125*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		48.800	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		48.475	vs. Illinois/Ohio State (3-1-97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.275**	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		195.000*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)

*-school record

** ties school record

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.900	9.850				9.800					9.800	9.925	9.700	
Season Average	9.719	9.561				9.694					9.608	9.700	9.561	
Career Best	9.900	9.850		9.725		9.825		8.250		9.125	9.800	9.925	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.634	9.561		9.488		9.655		8.250		9.038	9.608	9.660	9.463	9.119
BARS														
Season Best		9.875	9.650		9.775		9.700			9.700			9.725	9.825
Season Average		9.728	9.092		9.489		9.571			9.625			9.639	9.492
Career Best	9.575	9.875	9.650		9.900	9.800	9.700			9.775		9.500	9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.728	9.092		9.572	9.323	9.571			9.370		9.381	9.557	9.539
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.850			9.875	9.875	8.950	9.550		9.800				
Season Average	9.289	9.500			9.628	9.589	8.950	9.267		9.636				
Career Best	9.825	9.850		9.725	9.925	9.900	8.950	9.775		9.825		9.775		
Career Average	9.388	9.500		9.375	9.599	9.622	8.950	9.345		9.560		9.129		
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.875		9.875		9.925		9.800				9.775		9.875
Season Average		9.803		9.778		9.886		9.619				9.639		9.858
Career Best	9.600	9.875		9.875	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.875
Career Average	9.421	9.803		9.697	9.423	9.723		9.465		9.396		9.634		9.646
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		39.300												
Season Average		38.591												
Career Best	38.275	39.300				39.075				37.900		38.375		
Career Average	37.486	38.591				38.404				37.575		37.833		

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 9-1

Big Ten: 4-1

Home: 6-1

Away: 2-0

Neutral: 1-0

Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State	W	6-1
3/9	Indiana	L	4-3
3/24-30	at Hawaii		
4/4	Penn State		
4/12	at Michigan		
4/13	at Michigan State		
4/19	at Northwestern		
4/20	at Wisconsin		
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	5-1			6-4	3-2	13-7	.650
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	1-0	0-6		1-7	.125
Jana Hrdinova				1-0	7-1		6-4	5-0	14-5	.737
Alice Rangsithienchai		9-1					7-3	4-1	16-4	.800
Nora Sauska	10-0						10-1	5-0	20-1	.952
Kim Simonsen			3-1	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	5-0	14-5	.737
Jenni Svehla			1-1				5-6		6-7	.461
Helen Wang						6-2	7-4	3-2	13-6	.684
Totals							47-31	25-5	97-42	.698

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-3		4-3	.667
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska		6-3	1-0		3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai			2-0			2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes		0-1	2-2	4-1	1-4	6-4	.600
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen			2-1	3-2	3-2	5-3	.625
				13-13	7-8	33-23	.589



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, March 20
SW at NCAA Championships
(Indianapolis, IN)

Saturday, March 21
GY hosts Big Ten Championships
7 p.m.
SW at NCAA Championships

Sunday, March 22
SW at NCAA Championships

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Gymnastics hosts Big Ten Championships
- Swimming and Diving sends 11 people to NCAA meet

Last Week's Highlights

- Gymnastics' Cavazos and Vandersall set Minnesota floor exercise record
- Gymnasts defeat #14 Iowa State
- Diving's Hansen and Berg qualify for the NCAA meet
- Softball moves up to #9 in the polls

Gymnastics

GOPHERS HOST BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS—The 20th-ranked University of Minnesota women's gymnastics team plays host to the 1997 Big Ten Gymnastics Championships on Saturday, March 22 at 7 p.m. in the Sports Pavilion. It is the first time since 1986 that Minnesota has hosted the event. The Gophers, 13-4 on the season, are coming off one of their best meets of the season. Minnesota defeated #14 Iowa State by a score of 194.85 to 194.725, last Friday at the Sports Pavilion.

TICKET INFORMATION — To order tickets or for more information, call the Gopher ticket office at 624-8080 during normal business hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

CAVAZOS AND VANDERSALL SHARE NEW FLOOR RECORD — The Minnesota school record on floor exercise was broken not once, but twice in the Gophers' win over Iowa State. **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANADEL NORESTE)** tallied a 9.950 to break **MINDY KNAEBLE's (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** former record of 9.925. One performance later, senior **KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG)** equaled Cavazos' 9.950 and grab her share of the record.

CHAMPIONSHIP PREVIEW — For the first time since 1986, the University of Minnesota will host the Big Ten Women's Gymnastics Championships. The Sports Pavilion will be the site of the championships at 7 p.m. March 22. The meet will be held in conjunction with the men's championships, which will be held over two days, on March 22 and 23.

The Gopher women's gymnastics team hopes the home advantage will bring Minnesota its first title since 1991, but they'll face tough competition from the Big Ten's other powers.

Minnesota has its most talented team in **Stephenson's** five-year tenure, led by three returning all-Big Ten selections. Junior **Mindy Knaeble** is the defending conference co-champion in the floor exercise. **Knaeble** scored 9.85 in the event at last year's championships in Columbus, Ohio, tying Michigan's **Lisa Simes** for first place. **Knaeble** has scored higher than 9.825 in nine meets this season.

Sophomore **Cathy Keyser** and senior **Kristen Vandersall** are also returning all-Big Ten honorees. **Keyser** scored a 9.825 on the balance beam to finish third, and she tied **Vandersall** for third on the uneven bars with a school-record tying score of 9.9. The top three finishers in each event earn all-Big Ten distinction. Those three gymnasts, plus talents such as junior **Kim Sveum** on the vault, junior **Lacey Purkat** on the balance beam and uneven bars, senior **Jonda Hammons** on the floor exercise and newcomer **Judith Cavazos** in the all-around, give the Gophers a solid chance to end Michigan's conference championship streak at five.

But the Wolverines return virtually their entire team from last season, and Michigan beat the Gophers 193.525-192.100 in a dual meet on Jan. 18 in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Michigan returns an impressive quintet of sophomores, led by defending conference all-around champion **Beth Amelkovich**.

Amelkovich scored a 39.050 in the event, but **Cavazos** beat her head-to-head in the all-around earlier this season. **Nikki Peters** also returns for Michigan. **Peters** scored a Big Ten-record 10.0 to win the uneven bars in 1996, with **Amelkovich** right behind her at 9.950.

Simes, who tied **Knaeble** for the floor exercise championship, returns for her sophomore season, as does balance beam co-champion **Kathy Burke**. Also back for the Wolverines are junior **Heather Kabnick**, who tied for third on the floor exercise, and senior **Andrea McDonald**, who tied for second on the vault and tied for third on the floor exercise. Michigan also boasts newcomer **Sarah Cain**, who won the all-around title at the Wolverines-Gophers dual meet this year.

Conference runner-up Michigan State also returns a solid lineup. The Spartans finished second last year by .675 (194.600-193.925) and return two talented sophomores in **Carolyn Hecht** and **Erin Mullen**. The duo placed second and third, respectively, in the all-around behind **Amelkovich**. **Hecht** also tied **Burke** for the balance beam title.

1996 Big Ten Conference Championship Results

Team Scores

- | | |
|-----------------|---------|
| 1. Michigan | 194.600 |
| 2. Michigan St. | 193.925 |
| 3. Ohio State | 193.900 |
| 4. Minnesota | 192.750 |
| 5. Illinois | 192.275 |
| 6. Iowa | 191.725 |
| 7. Penn State | 190.775 |

All-Around

- | | |
|--------------------------|--------|
| 1. Beth Amelkovich, Mich | 39.050 |
| 2. Carolyn Hecht, MSU | 38.975 |
| 3. Erin Mullen, MSU | 38.900 |

Vault

- | | |
|--------------------------|-------|
| 1. Wendy Marshall, Mich. | 9.850 |
| 2. Lisa Simes, Mich. | 9.825 |
| Andrea McDonald, Mich. | 9.825 |
| Betsy Cousins, OSU | 9.825 |
| Nikki Peters, Mich. | 9.825 |

Uneven Bars

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| 1. Nikki Peters, Mich. | *10.000 |
| 2. Beth Amelkovich, Mich. | 9.950 |
| 3. Cathy Keyser, Minn. | 9.900 |
| Susan Eckman, OSU | 9.900 |
| Kristen Vandersall, Minn. | 9.900 |

Balance Beam

- | | |
|------------------------|-------|
| 1. Carolyn Hecht, MSU | 9.850 |
| Kathy Burke, Mich. | 9.850 |
| 3. Cathy Keyser, Minn. | 9.825 |

Floor Exercise

- | | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| 1. Mindy Knaeble, Minn. | 9.850 |
| Lisa Simes, Mich. | 9.850 |
| 3. Heather Kabnick, Mich. | 9.825 |
| Andrea McDonald, Mich. | 9.825 |

***Big Ten record**

Hosted by Ohio State (Columbus, OH)

Big Ten Champions

Year	Champion	Score
1996	Michigan	194.600
1995	Michigan	196.50
1994	Michigan	194.850
1993	Michigan	192.925
1992	Michigan	191.70
1991	Minnesota	189.00
1990	Illinois	188.75
1989	Minnesota	187.45
1988	Minnesota	186.10
1987	Ohio State	184.35
1986	Ohio State	181.80
1985	Ohio State	180.85
1984	Ohio State	180.90
1983	Ohio State	178.00
1982	Michigan	140.95
1981	Michigan State	140.30
1980	Michigan State	138.35
1979	Michigan State	131.90
1978	Michigan State	137.84
1977	Illinois	138.04
1976	Illinois	102.55
1975	Michigan State	101.10

GOPHER COACH JIM STEPHENSON—Head coach **Jim Stephenson** is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota women's gymnastics program. The 1995 co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, **Stephenson** owns a 63-70 overall record at Minnesota. **Stephenson** came to Minnesota after a four-year stint as assistant coach at Utah. While there, he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

ASSISTANT COACHES—**Trina Tinti** begins her fifth season as first assistant coach at Minnesota, while **Meg Stephenson** begins her third season as second assistant after serving as volunteer coach for two seasons.

GOPHER REWIND — GOPHERS RECORD SECOND-BEST TEAM SCORE IN SCHOOL HISTORY TO DEFEAT #14 IOWA STATE — #20 Minnesota had to comeback on the floor exercise, including Minnesota individual records of 9.95 by **Judith Cavazos** and **Kristen Vandersall**, to defeat #14 Iowa State 194.850-194.725 in a final tune-up before the Big Ten meet.

The Gophers opened up with a Minnesota Sports Pavilion record on the vault recording a 48.9. Their 48.9 broke the old Gopher Sports Pavilion record of 48.550 set against Utah this season. It was also the second highest score in Minnesota history. The Gophers had three scores higher than 9.80, including a 9.825 by **Kim Sveum**, and none lower than 9.70, pulling ahead of ISU by .7 of a point after the Cyclones recorded a 48.20 on the bars.

Minnesota extended its lead to over a point after scoring a 48.925 on the bars, the second highest total in school history. The Gophers swept the top three spots led by **Cavazos** and **Vandersall**, both with 9.875. **Cathy Keyser** had a 9.85 for the

Gophers.

Iowa State went ahead after the third rotation after Minnesota fell three times on the beam. Iowa State scored a 49.025, while Minnesota scored 47.800 allowing the Cyclones to take a .175 lead into the final rotation.

In the final rotation, Minnesota was on the floor, where it is ranked #7 in the nation, and Iowa State was on the beam. Minnesota scored a 49.925, including **Cavazos'** and **Vandersall's** 9.95, the highest scores ever recorded on any event in Minnesota history. Iowa State scored a 48.875 on the beam to finish just behind the Gophers.

CAREER BESTS SET AGAINST IOWA STATE—A number of career—bests were set or tied at last Friday's meet:

Judith Cavazos: Bars (9.875-t), Floor (9.950)

Cami Phillippi: Beam (9.175)

Kristi Selinger: Bars (9.725)

Kristen Vandersall: Floor (9.950)

DEFENDING CHAMP LOOKS TO REBOUND — In nine of ten Minnesota meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble**, who is ranked ninth in the nation in the event, had scored a 9.600 or better in her last 22 performances until last Friday, when a fall in her routine landed her a score of 9.475. With eight of the top ten scores in Gopher floor exercise history in her possession, look for the defending Big Ten co-champion to rebound with a vengeance in the Championships this Saturday.

MORE ON THE FLOOR—**Mindy Knaeble** isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked seventh in the nation on the floor exercise, and the team has recorded the first-, second-, third-, fourth-, sixth-, eighth- and ninth- best scores in school history in the event so far this season. Competing with the same rotation on floor throughout '97, all six Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including the school record shared by **Judith Cavazos** and **Kristen Vandersall**. **Knaeble**, the previous record holder with a 9.925, and senior **JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI)** with a 9.900 add explosive scoring punch to the Gophers' floor team. **Knaeble**, **Vandersall**, **Cavazos** and **Hammons** have combined to produce 25 of Minnesota's 26 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only **Lori Kindler**, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS—In ten meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** has earned five all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did against #2 Utah. Competing against Utah's **Traci Sommer** and **Denise Jones**, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, **Cavazos** broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. **Sommer** scored 39.1 and **Jones** had 39.025. **Cavazos** also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. **Cavazos** has recorded five of the top ten all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Illinois, Ohio State, Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of

Minnesota. Against Michigan, she finished second to the Wolverines' Sarah Cain but beat defending Big Ten champion Beth Amelkovich of the Wolverines in the process.

Golf

GOPHER REWIND--The University of Minnesota women's golf team finished ninth in a field of 15 teams at the Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational, March 11. The Gophers had rounds of 328, 327 and 342 to finish at 997. Campbell University was first at 924 and was followed by Miami (Fla.) at 929 and Indiana at 957.

Minnesota was led by junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)** with a tie for eighth-place. She had rounds of 78, 79 and 79 to finish at 236.

MORE GOPEHR RESULTS

Sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)**

36. 82-80-88—250

Senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVERS FALLS, WI);**

44. (tie) 84-86-84—254

Junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI);**

53. (tie) 84-83-92—259

Senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN);**

61. (tie) 89-85-91—265

Softball

The Minnesota softball team continued its climb up the USA Today / National Fastpitch Coaches Association Top 25 Poll and is ranked #9 in the poll, released last week. The Gophers, 19-5 on the season, were ranked #10 a week ago.

Defending national champion Arizona continues to hold down the #1 ranking and is off to a 25-0 start in the '97 season. Joining Minnesota as Big Ten teams in the nation's top 25 are Michigan ranked #6 and Iowa at #7 and Michigan State at #16.

USA Today / NFCA Coaches Top 25

Poll #3 — March 12

Rank	School	Record	Points	LtWk
1.	Arizona (25)	25-0	625	1
2.	Fresno State	16-1	594	2
3.	UCLA	22-4	575	3
4.	South Carolina	19-2	549	4
5.	Washington	16-5	509	5
6.	Michigan	18-5-1	468	7
7.	Iowa	10-3	436	9
8.	Cal Poly SLO	22-3	411	13
9.	MINNESOTA	19-5	375	10
10.	Long Beach State	18-8	365	6
11.	Oklahoma State	17-7	337	14
12.	Arizona State	13-5	330	8
13.	Oklahoma	20-8	327	15
14.	South Florida	19-5	302	11
15.	Missouri	13-2	281	16
16.	Michigan State	18-4	213	25
17.	California	11-10	211	12
18.	Florida State	17-9	199	17
19.	Pacific	14-5	193	22
20.	Louisiana Tech	19-9	135	20
21.	Cal -Northridge	8-7-2	104	18
22.	Baylor	19-8	66	24
23.	SW Louisiana	9-8	62	19
24.	NE Louisiana	15-3	57	NR
25.	San Diego State	14-6	55	NR

Receiving Votes: Cal State Sacramento (49), Hawaii (35), Texas (31), Tennessee (28), Nicholls State (26), Utah (25), Cal State Fullerton (22), Indiana (21), UC Santa Barbara (19), DePaul (13), Kansas (12), Princeton (11), Illinois-Chicago (8), Massachusetts (8), Ohio State (8), Boston College (6), Illinois State (6), UNLV (6), Florida (5), Colorado State (3), Louisiana State (2), Creighton (1), Notre Dame (1).

Swimming and Diving

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO NCAA SWIMMING & DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS --The eighth-ranked University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team competes at the 1997 NCAA Division I Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, March 20-22. The championships will be at the Indiana Natatorium on the campus of Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), the site of the 1997 Big Ten women's championships.

This is the 15th consecutive year for the Gophers to compete at the NCAA championships, with Minnesota finishing 15th last year. The Gophers' best finish was 10th at the 1992 championships, the highest finish of any Minnesota women's team at an NCAA championship. Led by **Jean Freeman**, the head coach for the past 24 years, the Gophers' 1997 NCAA team consists of nine swimmers and two divers. Under her direction, Minnesota has had 27 all-Americans and 43 all-American honorable mention student-athletes.

BERG AND HANSEN QUALIFY FOR NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS -- Seniors **CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)** and **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)** qualified for the NCAA championships at the NCAA Zone C Diving Championships, hosted at Minnesota's University Aquatic Center, March 14-15. Berg qualified by winning the 1-meter springboard event with 411.15 points. Hansen made it to the meet with a third-place in platform diving, finishing with 313.25 points.

Both divers have previous NCAA experience. Berg is an all-America honorable mention in both 1- and 3 meter diving, placing 11th in both events at the 1995 championships. Hansen, while attending the University of North Dakota as a frosh, placed fourth in 3-meter diving at the NCAA Division II championships, earning all-America honors.

MINNESOTA HAS 11 ATHLETES AT NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS-- Junior **SHONA BAILLIE (CAMPBELLVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN)** is making her first appearance at the NCAA's. A 1997 Big Ten champion in both medley relay events, she will compete in the 100-yard backstroke and will swim the backstroke legs of the 200- and 400-yard medley relay team events.

First-year team member **AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT NY)**, a 1997 Big Ten champion as a member of the 200-yard medley relay team, will compete in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle events, and as a member of the 200-yard medley relay and 800-yard freestyle relay teams.

Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)**, a four-time 1997 Big Ten champion, will compete in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events and as a member of the 200- and 400-yard medley relay teams. She may also swim as a member of the 200- and 400-yard freestyle relay teams. Hegener is an 1996 all-American in the 100-yard breaststroke and has earned four all-American honorable

mention certificates.

Frosh **JENNY HENNEN (ANOKA, MN)**, a member of the Big Ten championship 400-yard medley relay team, will compete in the 50-, 100- and 200-yard freestyle events, the 400-yard medley relay and the 200-, 400- and 800-yard freestyle relays. She scored in all seven of her Big Ten races.

First-year team member **TERRI JASHINSKY (MENOMONEE FALLS, WI)**, who scored in three events at the Big Ten championships, will compete in the 100- and 200-yard butterfly events and as a member of the 200-yard freestyle relay team. She may also compete as a member of the 800-yard freestyle relay team.

Senior **TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER)**, a two-time NCAA all-American and four-time all-American honorable mention, will compete in the 100-yard butterfly and will swim the butterfly leg of the 200- and 400-yard medley relay teams. She may also swim in the 200-yard freestyle relay. Last year at the NCAA's, Schuh was second in the 100-yard butterfly after being tied for first place in the prelims with the event's eventual champion.

Sophomore **BETH SHIMANSKI (HUTCHINSON, MN)** is attending the NCAA championships as an alternate backstroke for the 200- and 400-yard medley relay events. She is a two-time 1996 all-American honorable mention as a member of the 200-yard medley and freestyle relay teams.

Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)**, a two-time NCAA all-American, three-time all-American honorable mention and three-time Big Ten champion, will compete in the 200- and 500-yard freestyle events and the 400-yard individual medley. She will also swim as a member of the 800-yard freestyle relay and possibly the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Junior **KIMBERLY WILSON (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)**, a two-time Big Ten champion in the 1,650-yard freestyle, is competing in her third NCAA championship. She will compete in the 500- and 1,650-yard freestyle events and possibly as a member of the 800-yard freestyle relay team.

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 13-4 Dual: 3-3 Invites: 3-0 Home: 7-1 Away: 6-3 Big Ten: 4-1 Top 25: 2-4

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/22--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
#20 UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- OSU/IL	194.500		48.150		48.650		48.475		49.225	
Ohio State		192.225		48.475		47.000		48.375		48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri	193.775		49.125		48.775		46.600		49.275	
Missouri		192.925		48.600		47.250		48.625		48.450
Eastern Michigan		191.850		48.050		48.150		47.325		48.325
Iowa		189.800		47.775		48.400		45.900		47.725
3/14--#14 Iowa State	194.850	194.725	48.900	48.575	48.925	48.250	47.800	48.875	49.225	49.025
3/22--Big Ten Champ.										
Raw Average:	193.585									
RQS*:	194.206									

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the top two home, top two away and next two best scores are identified. The high and low scores are dropped and the remaining four are averaged for the RQS.. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT-

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.925*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.875	at Missouri (3/9/97) & vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.875	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.875	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
	Cathy Keyser	9.875	vs. Illinois/Ohio State (3-1-97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Judith Cavazos	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM VAULT		49.125*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		48.925	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		48.475	vs. Illinois/Ohio State (3-1-97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.275**	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		195.000*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)

*-school record

** ties school record

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Philippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.900	9.850				9.800					9.800	9.925	9.725	
Season Average	9.723	9.585				9.705					9.618	9.713	9.578	
Career Best	9.900	9.850		9.725		9.825		8.250		9.125	9.800	9.925	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.638	9.585		9.488		9.660		8.250		9.038	9.618	9.665	9.471	9.119
BARS														
Season Best	9.875	9.875	9.650		9.850		9.700			9.700			9.725	9.875
Season Average	9.743	9.743	9.225		9.525		9.571			9.633			9.603	9.530
Career Best	9.575	9.875	9.650		9.900	9.800	9.700			9.775			9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.743	9.225		9.584	9.323	9.571			9.380			9.548	9.544
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.850	8.950		9.875	9.875	9.300	9.550	9.175	9.800	9.725			
Season Average	9.289	9.480	8.950		9.640	9.613	9.125	9.267	9.175	9.636	9.725			
Career Best	9.825	9.850	8.950	9.725	9.925	9.900	9.300	9.775	9.175	9.825	9.725			9.775
Career Average	9.388	9.480	8.950	9.375	9.630	9.629	9.125	9.345	9.175	9.560	9.725			9.129
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.950		9.900		9.925		9.800				9.800		9.950
Season Average		9.818		9.780		9.840		9.630				9.655		9.868
Career Best		9.950		9.900	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.950
Career Average		9.818		9.699	9.423	9.715		9.473		9.396		9.640		9.653
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		39.300												
Season Average		38.625												
Career Best		38.275				39.075				37.900				38.375
Career Average		37.486				38.404				37.575				37.833

University of Minnesota
1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record: 13-0 Big Ten: 7-0 Invitationals: 2-0 Big Ten Championships: 2nd

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State	W	#9	178-117
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Wisconsin	W	#9	243-105
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue	W	#9	243-107
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois	W	#9	219-130
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa	W	#8	187-106
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge		#8	Unscored
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Champ.	2nd	#10	608.5 pts.
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Championships			
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)

Jenny Hennen	23.54 •
Amy Cottrill	23.60 •
Beth Shimanski	23.98
Terri Jashinsky	24.08
Devon Coellner	24.18

200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)

Beth Shimanski	2:01.87
Marta Knowles	2:03.70
Kimberly Wilson	2:05.96
Amy Cottrill	2:10.13
Alicia Hicken	2:12.12

400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)

3:24.78* – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Devon Coellner, Beth Shimanski

100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.40)

Jenny Hennen	50.40 **
Amy Cottrill	51.11 •
Terri Jashinsky	52.30
Krissy Berglund	52.51
Suzie Helvig	52.62

100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.81)

Gretchen Hegener	1:00.81 #>*
Devon Coellner	1:04.18
Kate McMillan	1:04.43
Michelle Fischer	1:05.78
Katie Olson	1:07.04

800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:21.43)

7:21.43* – Jenny Hennen, Alicia Hicken, Amy Cottrill, Olga Splichalova

200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.15)

1:42.15*> – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Amy Cottrill

400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:41.27)

3:41.27#*> – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen

200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)

Jenny Hennen	1:48.76 •
Olga Splichalova	1:50.19 •
Alicia Hicken	1:51.22
Amy Cottrill	1:51.80
Terri Jashinsky	1:52.98

200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:11.60)

Gretchen Hegener	2:11.60 #>*
Devon Coellner	2:19.87
Kate McMillan	2:20.54
Michelle Fischer	2:21.82
Jessica Smith	2:24.98

1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)

Carrie Hansen	272.40 %
Andrea Berg	268.90 %
Jenny Cook	253.73 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	233.25
Andrea Wheeler	173.95

500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:47.02)

Olga Splichalova	4:47.02 **
Kimberly Wilson	4:50.14 •
Alicia Hicken	4:52.18
Jenny Hennen	4:58.75
Jessica Grass	5:01.59

100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)

Tanya Schuh	54.86 #
Terry Jashinsky	55.52 •
Carrie Raeth	57.45
Jenny Hennen	57.75
Jessica Grass	58.94

1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)

Carrie Hansen	430.15 %
Andrea Berg	428.75 %
Jenny Cook	351.35
Shelby Evadine Miller	325.70
Andrea Wheeler	213.10

1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68S)

Olga Splichalova	9:50.10
Kimberly Wilson	9:53.84 S
Alicia Hicken	10:05.60 S
Jessica Grass	10:19.90
Jenny Hennen	10:21.44

200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)

Jessica Grass	2:02.73 •
Terri Jashinsky	2:02.83 •
Jenny Hennen	2:04.25
Tanya Schuh	2:05.33
Kimberly Wilson	2:07.64

3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)

Carrie Hansen	291.40 %
Andrea Berg	283.65 %
Jenny Cook	272.63 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	254.55
Andrea Wheeler	188.70

1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)

Kimberly Wilson	16:19.43 #
Olga Splichalova	16:26.22 •
Alicia Hicken	16:43.81
Elizabeth Weld	17:45.76
Marta Knowles	17:47.14

200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)

Gretchen Hegener	2:03.64
Jessica Grass	2:04.82
Devon Coellner	2:05.41
Jenny Hennen	2:06.46
Terri Jashinsky	2:08.72

3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)

Andrea Berg	516.90 %
Carrie Hansen	469.35 %
Jenny Cook	430.90 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	384.00
Andrea Wheeler	280.10

100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)

Shona Baillie	56.46 •
Beth Shimanski	56.56 •
Carrie Raeth	1:00.30
Marta Knowles	1:00.38
Terri Jashinsky	1:00.56

400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)

Jessica Grass	4:20.29 •
Olga Splichalova	4:21.91 •
Kimberly Wilson	4:25.92
Marta Knowles	4:27.05

Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)

Carrie Hansen	325.35 %
Jenny Cook	287.10
Andrea Berg	268.55 @
Andrea Wheeler	264.25

200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)

1:33.11* – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Beth Shimanski

Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)

Andrea Berg	436.55 %
Carrie Hansen	480.95 %
Shelby Evadine Miller	224.15

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time

•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying, @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Championship Record

University of Minnesota Women's Golf 1996-97 Player by Player Summary **

Player	Tourn- aments	Rounds/ Counted	Strokes	Avg	Best Rounds				Under			Top 5 Finishes	Top 10 Finishes	Top 20 Finishes
					18	36*	54	72	Par	Par	Wins			
Michelle Ballou	5	10/4	808	80.80	78	159	242		0	0	1	1	1	2
Donna Boom	3	7/2	573	81.86	79	165	239		0	0	0	0	0	0/
Amy Dahle	7	18/16	1408	78.22	70	155	226		1	1	1	2	5	6
Glenna Gilbert	1	2/0	171	85.50	84	171			0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolyn Klecker	6	18/15	1429	79.39	73	152	232		0	0	0	4	4	5
Melanie Lepp	5	15/10	1205	80.33	76	153	238		0	0	0	1	3	4
Cathy Lindblad	6	18/11	1450	80.56	73	153	234		0	0	0	2	4	4
Emily Norby	1	1/0	87	87.00	87				0	0	0	0	0	0
Marcy Savage	2	3/0	253	84.33	82	164			0	0	0	0	0	0
Keri Sawvell	6	18/13	1453	80.72	74	151	240		0	1	0	1	3	4
Jenny Trendera	3	6/2	487	81.17	79	159	245		0	0	0	1	1	2
Kristi Weichert	2	3/0	246	82.00	78	164			0	0	0	1	1	1

Through 3/11/97

*Low 36-hole tournament score

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Spring and Season Statistics

		Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Total	Place	Spring			Season			1996 Fall Results		
		Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Tournament	Score	Place						
2/21-22/97	Midwest Classic	311	299			610	2nd/9 teams	610	2	305.00	4682	15	312.13	Minnesota Invite	619	2nd/15 teams
3/10-11/97	Peggy Kirk Bell Inv.	328	327	342		997	9/15 teams	1607	5	321.40	5679	18	315.50	Lady Northern	953	8th/15 teams
4/12-13/97	Boilermaker Inv.													Huskie Classic	634	1st/13 teams
4/19-20/97	Iowa Invitational													Northwestern Inv	928	1st of 6 teams
5/2-4/97	Big Ten Champ.															
TBA	NCAA Regionals															

	Midwest Classic (72)*			Peggy Kirk Bell Inv. (72)				Boilermaker Invite ()				Iowa Invitational ()				Spring		
	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou	79	80	159 t-27th													159	2	79.50
Donna Boom																		
Amy Dahle	79	76	155 t-19th	78	79	79	236 t-8th									391	5	78.20
Glenna Gilbert																		
Carolyn Klecker	76	76	152 t-4th	84	86	84	254 t-44th									406	5	81.20
Melanie Lepp	77	76	153 t-7th	82	80	88	250 36th									403	5	80.60
Cathy Lindblad	80	73	153 t-7th	89	85	91	265 t-61st									418	5	83.60
Emily Norby																		
Marcy Savage																		
Keri Sawvell	79	74	153 t-7th	84	83	92	259 t-53rd									412	5	82.40
Jenny Trenda																		
Kristi Weichert																		

	Big Ten Championship (*)				NCAA Regionals (*)				NCAA Champ. (*)				Season			Fall			Career			
	R1	R2	R3	R4*: Tot	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	R4	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou														808	10	80.80	649	8	81.13	1415	17	83.24
Donna Boom														573	7	81.86	573	7	81.86	1163	14	83.07
Amy Dahle														1408	18	78.22	1017	13	78.23	6161	77	80.01
Glenna Gilbert														171	2	85.50	171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker														1429	18	79.39	1023	13	78.69	6577	81	81.20
Melanie Lepp														1205	15	80.33	802	10	80.20	3128	38	82.32
Cathy Lindblad														1450	18	80.56	1032	13	79.38	4029	49	82.22
Emily Norby														87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00
Marcy Savage														253	3	84.33	253	3	84.33	672	8	84.00
Keri Sawvell														1453	18	80.72	1041	13	80.08	3337	41	81.39
Jenny Trenda														487	6	81.17	487	6	81.17	2124	25	84.96
Kristi Weichert														246	3	82.00	246	3	82.00	419	5	83.80

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, March 24	
SB at Georgia Tech (Atlanta, Ga.)	1:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 25	
SB at Georgia State (2) (Atlanta, Ga.)	1:30 p.m.
Friday, March 28	
SB at Michigan State (2) (East Lansing, Mich.)	1 p.m.
TR at Raleigh, Relays (Raleigh, NC)	
TN at BYU-Hawaii (Laie, Hi.)	
Saturday, March 29	
SB at Michigan State	12 noon
TF at Raleigh Relays	

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- #10 Softball heads to Atlanta and East Lansing, Mich.
- Track and Golf are in Carolinas for training trips
- Tennis has tough test against BYU-Hawaii

Last Week's Highlights

- Swimming's Hegener wins 100 breaststroke at NCAA Championship, sets American record
- Swimming and Diving finishes 13th at NCAA Championships
- Gymnastics sets school record in finishing second at Big Ten Championships
- Jim Stephenson named Big Ten Coach of the Year
- Mindy Knaeble wins Big Ten beam title, sets school record with a 9.95
- Three Gopher softball players taken in the WPF draft
- Tennis ranked #28 in the nation, Sauska moves up to #40

Softball

GOPHER SOFTBALL TEAM RETURNS TO ACTION —

The University of Minnesota softball team returns to action after a three-week layoff by traveling to Atlanta for a single game against Georgia Tech on Monday, March 24, then a doubleheader versus Georgia State on Tuesday, March 25. The Gophers are 19-5 on the season.

MINNESOTA OPENS BIG TEN SEASON THIS WEEK-END —

Minnesota travels to Michigan State on Friday, March 28 to open the 1997 Big Ten campaign against the Spartans. Michigan State is 22-8 on the season and ranked in the top 10 in the nation. The Gophers and Spartans will play a doubleheader on Friday and a single game on Saturday.

THREE GOPHER SOFTBALL PLAYERS SELECTED IN WPF DRAFT —

Minnesota seniors **Jennifer Johnson**, **Rachel Nelson** and **Ann Bartholmey** were selected in the first-ever Women's Professional Fastpitch (WPF) draft held on Wednesday, March 19, at league headquarters in Denver.

Johnson, a powerful right-handed pitcher, was selected by Durham, N.C. with the second pick in the second round and the eighth pick overall. **Johnson**, the Minnesota record holder for strikeouts with 449, owns a 4-2 mark this season and a career mark of 40-44.

Durham also tabbed **Nelson** with its pick in the fourth round, the 24th selection overall. **Nelson** is a two-time all-America outfielder for the #10-ranked Gophers and is off to another sensational start, hitting .412 with 19 runs scored in '97. Earlier this season, she broke the Minnesota career record for hits and now has 277 hits in her career.

Georgia selected **Bartholmey**, the Gophers' fixture behind the plate at catcher, with their selection in the 10th and final round of the draft, the 55th pick overall. **Bartholmey** has started 130 consecutive games and is hitting .357 so far this season.

Drafted athletes will sign contracts upon the conclusion of their respective college seasons. College play will end in late April or early May. College seniors not selected in the draft are free agents and can sign with any team after their college eligibility has expired.

The 72-game WPF season begins May 30 with teams in Atlanta, Ga.; Charlotte, N.C.; Durham, N.C.; Hampton/Newport News, Va.; Orlando, Fla. and Tampa, Fla. Spring training begins May 19 in these six cities

GOPHERS RANKED 10TH — The Gophers were ranked #10 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Defending national champion Arizona continued to hold the #1 position. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 10. Iowa leads the way ranked #6, followed by Michigan State at #8, defending conference champion Michigan at #9 and Minnesota at #10.

ABOUT MINNESOTA — Minnesota looks to improve on its 44-18 record from a year ago and has the talent and depth to do so. Two all-Americans, first-teamer **Rachel Nelson** and second-

teamer **Amber Hegland**, highlight the group of 16 returning letterwinners from a squad which finished second in the Big Ten with a 17-6 mark.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
C	14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B	17	Tracy Carey	R/R	Jr.	Richfield, MN (Neb.-Omaha)
2B	12	Laura Peters	L/R	Jr.	Cottage Grove, MN
or	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
3B	21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
SS	5	Shannon Beeler	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF	2	Steph Midthun	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF	1	Rachel Nelson	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
RF	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN
or	6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
11	Jennifer Bauer	R/R	Sr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN — Minnesota head coach **Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien** enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 174-147-1 (.542). **Bernstein-O'Brien** owns a Big Ten record of 68-64 (.515) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach **Julie Standerling** is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while **Jennifer McGuinness** is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

BEELER TIES CAREER HOME RUN MARK — Just 86 games into her collegiate career, sophomore shortstop **Shannon Beeler** is now tied for the Minnesota career home run record. **Beeler** belted her fourth and fifth homers of the season in the Troy Cox Invitational to give her 15 in her brief career as a Gopher. **Beeler** shares the record with current Minnesota assistant coach **Jennifer McGuinness**, who played for the Gophers from 1991-94.

SWINGIN' THE STICK — The Gopher bats are making quite a bit of noise early in the '97 season. With eight of nine players in the starting lineup hitting over .300, Minnesota checks in with .338 team batting average. The Gophers have outscored their opposition by an incredible 133-35 margin.

PITCHING STAFF SHUTS 'EM DOWN — Minnesota's trio of pitchers, **Steph Klaviter**, **Jennifer Johnson** and **Wendy Logue**, own a combined ERA of just 1.02. The threesome has also thrown a collective 10 shutouts in '97.

NELSON SETS CAREER HITS MARK — All-America outfielder **Rachel Nelson** recorded her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over

Robert Morris, during the Triangle Classic on Feb. 22, to set a new Minnesota career hits record. The old record of 259 hits was held by Lezlie Weiss (1990-93). To date, Nelson has 277 hits in her career.

THE SCOUTING REPORT —

Georgia Tech — The Yellow Jackets are 13-11 entering Sunday's (March 23) contest against Florida State. Georgia Tech and Minnesota both competed in the Triangle Class in North Carolina in February but did not face each other. They do, however, have three common opponents on the season, Ohio, East Carolina and Illinois-Chicago, with quite different results. Minnesota won all three games against those opponents, Georgia Tech lost all three.

Georgia Tech head coach **Regina Tomaselli** is in her seventh season with the Yellow Jackets and own a record of 206-138-1.

It's no surprise to Georgia Tech followers that **Laura Williams** is off to an amazing start to '97. A three-time all-ACC selection at third base, **Williams** is hitting .556 with 45 hits in 81 at bat. First-year catch **Anne Knobbe** is batting .400, while Georgia Tech as a team owns a .331 batting average. GT's top pitcher is sophomore **Jamie Smith**, who is 5-2 and owns a 2.72 ERA.

The Series - Minnesota leads 1-0.

Georgia State — The Lady Panthers headed into last weekend's Pony Invitational in California with a 9-11 record. Included in the Georgia State record is an 11-3 loss to Michigan.

Georgia State head coach **Bob Heck** is in his 13th season and sports a record of 390-295-2.

The pitching staff owns a 1.79 ERA and has kept the Lady Panthers in games this season. Newcomer **Jaci Davis** tops the pitchers with a 1.32 ERA, but is just 2-2 on the season. Offensively, Georgia State has struggled batting only .235 as a team. Junior shortstop **Stacy Jensen** leads the way with a .328 batting average. Scoring runs has been a problem. No player on the team has more than six RBI.

The Series - Minnesota leads 1-0.

Michigan State — If you're looking for an early-season surprise in the Big Ten, it would have to be Michigan State. The Spartans have climbed the national polls by leaps and bounds in the past month and posted a #8 ranking last week. Entering a tournament in California last weekend, the Spartans owned an impressive 28-8 record.

Michigan State head coach **Jacque Joseph** is in her fourth season with the Spartans and owns a mark of 108-96 at MSU.

The Spartans have been super in crunch time in '97, winning 14 of their 28 games by a margin of one or two runs. Michigan State is batting .281, led by first-year catcher **Margaret Hollis's** .349 batting average. First-team all-Big Ten shortstop **Keri Lemasters** is hitting .361 and leads the team with 25 RBI. Senior pitcher **Stacey Smith** is the workhorse of the Spartan staff and already owns a 15-3 record in '97. In compiling a 0.90 ERA, **Smith** has tossed seven shutouts in 15 complete-game appearances.

The Series - Minnesota leads 38-18.

USA TODAY / NFCA COACHES TOP 25 POLL —

Poll #4 — March 19

Rank	School	Record	Points	LtWk
1.	Arizona (25)	25-0	625	1
2.	Fresno State	19-2	595	2
3.	UCLA	22-4	577	3
4.	South Carolina	24-2	553	4
5.	Washington	16-5	482	5
6.	Iowa	13-3	458	7
7.	Cal Poly SLO	26-4	447	8
8.	Michigan State	25-5	438	16
9.	Michigan	21-7-1	432	6
10.	MINNESOTA	19-5	398	9
11.	Long Beach State	20-8	378	10
12.	Oklahoma State	21-7	365	11
13.	Arizona State	19-7	329	12
14.	Oklahoma	28-9	300	13
15.	Missouri	19-6	274	15
16.	South Florida	25-8	253	14
17.	California	17-12	196	17
18.	Louisiana Tech	23-10	180	20
19.	Colorado State	21-8	150	NR
20.	Pacific	16-7	138	19
21.	Florida State	22-11	129	18
22.	Southwestern Louisiana	15-8	101	23
23.	Hawaii	21-12-1	79	NR
24.	Cal State Northridge	10-9-2	75	21
25.	Northeast Louisiana	20-3	72	24

Receiving Votes: Baylor (41), San Diego State (34), Cal State Sacramento (24), Louisiana State (20), Utah (20), Tennessee (17), DePaul (13), Indiana (10), Kansas (7), Drake (4), Texas (4), Wisconsin (4), Notre Dame (3), Iowa State (2), Nicholls State (2), East Carolina (1), Florida A&M (1), Southern Illinois (1).

UP NEXT — Minnesota is hoping for spring to arrive quickly as the Gophers look forward to the month of April in which they will host 10 of 14 scheduled home dates. Minnesota's home opener is on Wednesday, March 2, against Mankato State.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS WAIT FOR REGIONALS BID—After placing second at the Big Ten Championships last weekend with a team-record score of 196.350, the Gophers are almost assured of an invitation to the NCAA Central Regional competition Saturday, April 5, in Ann Arbor, Mich. Official invitations to the regional will be extended Tuesday, March 25.

MICHIGAN WINS TEAM TITLE, MINNESOTA SECOND AT BIG TEN'S—Michigan claimed its sixth consecutive team title, but Minnesota gave the Wolverines all they could handle at the 1997 Big Ten Championships held in front of 2,391 fans at the Sports Pavilion. Michigan won the title with a Big Ten Championship record score of 197.150. The old record was 196.500 set by Michigan in 1995. Minnesota set a school record scoring a 196.350, while Ohio State was third at 195.825. Michigan had at least one athlete claim a share of every individual title and swept the top three position in the all-around. Newcomer **Sarah Cain**, the 1997 Big Ten Frosh and Athlete of the Year, won the all-around title scoring 39.650. Cain also won a portion of the floor exercise title. **Lisa Simes** was second in the all-around and tied for first on the beam, while **Beth Amelkovich** was third in the all-around and won a share of the beam title with a 9.95. Minnesota's **MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE)** also won a portion of the beam championships with a 9.95, a Minnesota school record. **Simes**, **Ameklovich** and **Knaeble's** score of 9.95 broke the Big Ten Championship record of 9.925 set by Michigan's **Beth Wymer** in 1993. On the floor, Michigan took the top three spots with **Cain**, **Heather Kabnick** and **Nikki Peters** scoring 9.925, tying the Big Ten record. **Peters** won the bars championship with a 9.95 and **Kabnick** took the vault title with a 9.95.

Results from the 1997 Big Ten Championships

Team scores: 1. Michigan 197.150***; 2. Minnesota 196.350; 3. Ohio State 195.825; 4. Michigan State 195.475; 5. Penn State 194.300; 6. Illinois 194.075; 7. Iowa 193.725

All-around: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 39.650; 2. Lisa Simes, Michigan, 39.575; 3. Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 39.475; 4. Jaime Elwell, Michigan State, 39.300; 5. Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 39.275; 6. Briony Lecky, Michigan State, 39.250

Floor Exercise: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.925**; Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.925**; Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.925**;
4. Mindy Knaeble, Minnesota, 9.90; 5. Lori Whitwer, Iowa, 9.875; Lisa Simes, Michigan, 9.875

Balance Beam: 1. Mindy Kneable, Minnesota, 9.950***; Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 9.950***; Lisa Simes, Michigan, 9.950***; 4. Jaime Elwell, Michigan State, 9.925; Kim Berres, Illinois, 9.925; Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.925; Mindy Farmer, Ohio State, 9.925; Nikki Smith, Penn State, 9.925

Uneven Bars: 1. Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.95; 2. Sarah Cain,

Michigan, 9.90; Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 9.90; Ellen Casey, Penn State, 9.90; 5. Judith Cavazos, Minnesota, 9.875; Koyuki, Oka, Ohio State, 9.875

Vault: 1. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.95; 2. Lisa Simes, Michigan 9.925; Kelly Harper, Ohio State, 9.925; 4. Kim Sveum, Minnesota, 9.90; Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.90; 6. Puni Viernes, Illinois, 9.875; Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.875; Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 9.875; Ellen Casey, Penn State, 9.875

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KNAEBLE WINS BIG TEN BEAM TITLE—Junior Mindy Knaeble became Minnesota's first Big Ten Champion on the beam since **Kathy Ness** in 1991. Knaeble posted a 9.95 on the event to tie Michigan's **Beth Amelkovich** and **Lisa Simes** for the title. Knaeble broke the Minnesota record of 9.925 set by **Cathy Keyser** last season and tied the highest score ever recorded in Minnesota school history. For her efforts, Knaeble earned all-Big Ten honors, the second of her career. She was named all-Big Ten in 1996 after winning a share of the floor exercise title.

STEPHENSON NAMED BIG TEN COACH OF THE YEAR—Minnesota's **Jim Stephenson** was named the 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year. It was the second time in three years Stephenson has won the honor. Stephenson led Minnesota to a second-place finish at the Big Ten meet as Minnesota posted its highest score in history. In 1995, Stephenson shared the same award with Michigan's **Bev Plocki**.

MORE RECORDS BROKEN AT BIG TEN'S—Minnesota had an outstanding Big Ten meet as it set a new team and beam record. Minnesota scored a 196.350 breaking its old record of 195.000 set against Utah earlier this season. Minnesota had struggled all year on the vault but received outstanding performances from **Knaeble**, **KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/GATEWAY)**, **LACEY PURKAT (ANNANDALE, VA/W.T. WOODSON)**, **CAMI PHILLIPPI (ROSEVILLE, AREA)** and **CATHY KEYSER (PLYMOUTH, MN/AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT)** to set a new record of 49.300 breaking the old record of 48.975 set at Southeast Missouri in 1996. Selinger recorded a career-high of 9.875, trying for #3 in Minnesota history) in only her second time to compete in the event. Purkat also set a career-high with a 9.875, followed by Phillippi who posted a 9.775. Phillippi had only competed on the beam one time prior to the Big Ten meet and had a 9.175. Keyser remained steady as she had a 9.825.

SVEUM AND CAVAZOS ALSO FINISH IN THE TOP SIX—**KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT)** and **JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANADEL NORESTE)** finished in the top six in individual events for the Gophers. Sveum was fourth in the vault with a 9.90. Cavazos was fifth in the bars with a 9.875, also tying her career-high.

CAVAZOS AND VANDERSALL SHARE NEW FLOOR RECORD — The Minnesota school record on floor exercise

was broken not once, but twice in the Gophers' win over Iowa State on March 14. **Judith Cavazos** tallied a 9.950 to break **Mindy Knaeble's** former record of 9.925. One performance later, senior **Kristen Vandersall** (Plymouth, MN / Armstrong) equaled Cavazos' 9.950 to grab her share of the record.

KNAEBLE SOLID ON THE FLOOR— In 10 of 11 Minnesota meets this season, junior **Mindy Knaeble** has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. **Knaeble**, who is ranked 10th in the nation in the event, had scored a 9.600 or better in her last 22 performances until the meet against Iowa State on March 14, when a fall in her routine landed her a score of 9.475. **Knaeble** holds nine of the top ten scores in Gopher floor exercise history.

MORE ON THE FLOOR — **Mindy Knaeble** isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked sixth in the nation on the floor exercise and has recorded seven of the top ten scores in school history in the event so far this season, including the tie of the school record with a team score of 49.275 against Missouri on March 9. Competing with the same rotation on floor throughout '97, all six Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including the school record shared by **Judith Cavazos** and **Kristen Vandersall**. **Knaeble**, the previous record holder with a 9.925, and senior **Jonda Hammons** (Lodi, CA / Lodi) with a 9.900 add explosive scoring punch to the Gophers' floor team. **Knaeble**, **Vandersall**, **Cavazos** and **Hammons** have combined to produce 29 of Minnesota's 30 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only **Lori Kindler**, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS — In 11 meets this season, Gopher newcomer **Judith Cavazos** has earned five all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did against #2 Utah. Competing against Utah's **Traci Sommer** and **Denise Jones**, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, **Cavazos** broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. **Sommer** scored 39.1 and **Jones** had 39.025. **Cavazos** also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. **Cavazos** has recorded five of the top ten all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Illinois, Ohio State, Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of Minnesota. Against Michigan in a dual meet earlier this season, she finished second to the Wolverines' **Sarah Cain** but beat defending Big Ten champion **Beth Amelkovich** of the Wolverines in the process.

SVEUM, BATZA LEAD VAULT TEAM — Juniors **Kim Sveum** and **Stacey Batza** (Oxford, CT / Seymour) have a lot in common, including the Minnesota school record on vault. **Sveum** set the record twice last season, posting scores of 9.9. **Batza** tied the record against UMass before **Sveum** set the new standard with a 9.925 on March 9 at Missouri. Together the pair owns 11 of the top 13 vault scores in school history.

KEYSER ANOTHER ONE TO WATCH — Two-time all-Big Ten performer **Cathy Keyser** (Plymouth, MN / Australian

Inst. of Sport) has been relatively quiet in 1997. Coming off third-place finishes on bars and beam at last year's Big Ten Championships, **Keyser** struggled on both events early in '97 but is making a strong comeback. On bars, **Keyser** scored a 9.80 at the Big Ten meet, improving her streak to seven meets that she's scored a 9.7 or higher. On beam, **Keyser** has been a stabilizing force of late, scoring 9.7 or better in six of her last seven meets, including a team season-best of 9.875 against Ohio State / Illinois. She posted a 9.825 at the Big Ten Championships.

GOPHERS IN THE NATIONAL RANKINGS — Minnesota is nationally-ranked in three events, helping the Gophers to their overall team ranking of #20. The Gophers' floor exercise squad leads the way with a #6 ranking, followed by the uneven bars contingent ranked #16. After scoring the top five team scores in Gopher history, the vault team has climbed to #23 in the national ranking.

GOPHERS RANKED 20TH IN THE COUNTRY — The Gophers are ranked 20th in the country, based on total season average score. Minnesota has an average of 194.204.

The national rankings:

1.	Georgia	197.722
2.	Utah	196.847
3.	Michigan	196.710
4.	Alabama	196.680
5.	LSU	196.205
6.	Arizona State	196.030
7.	UCLA	195.765
8.	Nebraska	195.740
9.	Utah State	195.447
10.	Florida	195.215
11.	West Virginia	195.172
12.	Washington	194.822
13.	Iowa State	194.777
14.	Brigham Young	194.742
15.	Stanford	194.692
16.	Ohio State	194.660
17.	Southeast Missouri	194.555
18.	Oregon State	192.272
19.	Towson State	194.252
20.	MINNESOTA	194.205
21.	Massachusetts	194.092
22.	Michigan State	194.005
23.	Denver	193.972
24.	North Carolina State	193.957
25.	Penn State	193.852

Tennis

MINNESOTA TO PLAY BYU-HAWAII--Minnesota, 9-1 overall and ranked #28 in the nation, travels to Hawaii to play BYU-Hawaii Friday, March 28. BYU-Hawaii, a Division II school, is currently 18-0 on the season and has defeated Division I power and #36-ranked Utah this season.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has won 83 percent of its singles matches during the dual meet season. At number one singles, newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)**, is undefeated during the dual meet season and has a 20-1 record.

The Gophers are playing with an extremely young lineup as three sophomores and three newcomers are currently in the top six. Juniors **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** and **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)**, who is just back from a shoulder injury, have also seen time in the lineup this season.

Sauska leads the team in wins with 20 followed by **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** with 16 and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** with 13.

MINNESOTA ACHIEVES HIGHEST NATIONAL RANKING EVER--Minnesota moved up from #38 to #28 in the latest national rankings. It is the highest Minnesota has ever been ranked in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings.

SAUSKA MOVES UP TO #40--Newcomer Nora Sauska has moved up to #40 in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher **Tiffany Gates** was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

LINEUP CHANGES--After an initial lineup change due to the injury of **Jenni Svehla**, the Gophers have used the same lineup the past eight matches. **Nora Sauska, Alice Rangsithienchai, Tarah Elkins (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and **Jana Hrdinova (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** are the only Gophers to play in all 10 matches.

Minnesota's probable starting lineup

- #1 Nora Sauska
- #2 Alice Rangsithienchai
- #3 Kim Simonsen
- #4 Tarah Elkins
- #5 Jana Hrdinova
- #6 Helen Wang

Doubles:

- #1 Sauska/Elkins
- #2 Hayes/Hrdinova
- #3 Simonsen/Rangsithienchai

BOTTOM OF LINEUP MOVING MINNESOTA TO THE TOP--Positions 4-6 are keeping Minnesota on top this season as they are perfect thus far in spring play. The bottom three position of **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/UNITED CENTRAL SOUTH)**, **Jana Hrdinova** and **Helen Wang** have a

combined record of 21-5 so far this season.

MINNESOTA SINGLES PLAY DOMINATES OF LATE--The singles play of the Gophers has been fantastic this spring as they have lost only 10 singles matches. The Gophers singles record is currently 50-10 (.833) for the dual meet season.

DOUBLES HAS STRUGGLED PAST TWO MATCHES--Minnesota had been undefeated (15-0) in doubles until getting swept by Illinois February 16. Minnesota then lost the doubles point to Iowa, Maryland and Indiana. The loss of **Jenni Svehla** has impacted the doubles lineup causing head coach **Martin Novak** to shift his lineup. **Alice Rangsithienchai**, who was playing with **Svehla**, is now paired with **Kim Simonsen**; the pair is 5-3 on the year.

UP NEXT--Minnesota returns home for its final home match of the season. Minnesota hosts Penn State Friday, April 4, at the 98th Street Raquet Club.

Golf

GOLF TEAM ON SPRING BREAK TRAINING TRIP

The University of Minnesota women's golf team is in Myrtle Beach, S.C., from March 23-30 for its annual spring break training trip. Eight Gophers are on the trip and will compete in an unscored co-am match play competition with eight amateurs from the Myrtle Beach area on Saturday, March 29. Players on the trip are:

- junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)**;
- senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVERS FALLS, WI)**;
- senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)**;
- junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI)**;
- sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)**;
- sophomore **MICHELLE BALLOU (CHASKA, MN)**;
- senior **JENNY TREND (OWATONNA, MN)**;
- sophomore **DONNA BOOM (ALBERT LEA, MN)**.

Swimming and Diving

MINNESOTA 13TH AT NCAA SWIMMING & DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS--The University of Minnesota was 13th with 117.5 points at the 1997 NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, March 20-22, at the Indiana Natatorium on the IUPUI campus in Indianapolis. This was the Gophers sixth top 20 NCAA finish in the 15 years Minnesota has competed at the meet. Other top 20 finishes were 10th in 1992, 15th (1996), 18th (1991), 19th (1995) and 20th (1989).

Southern California won the team title with 406 points, breaking the 14-year strangle hold Stanford and Texas had on the team title, with each team winning seven times. Stanford was second (395), followed by Southern Methodist (353.5), Arizona (351.5), Georgia (312), Michigan (264.5), Auburn (240), Nebraska (174.5), California (148), Texas (146.5) and Tennessee (130).

GOPHERS TIE RECORD – The Gophers tied their team record for number of points scored at an NCAA meet, set in 1992 when the Gophers placed 10th with 117.5 points at the University of Texas-Austin. Minnesota scored a clean sweep at the championships, with all 10 of team members earning points towards the team total.

SIX GOPHERS EARN ALL-AMERICAN HONORS – More all-American honors were earned by this year's Minnesota NCAA team than ever before. Six Gophers earned 11 all-Americans in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events, the 200- and 400-yard medley relay events and the 500-yard freestyle. Nine Gophers earned honorable mention all-American status in 1- and 3-meter diving, the 100-yard butterfly, the 200- and 800-yard freestyle relay events and the 1,650-yard freestyle.

MORE RECORDS SET BY MINNESOTA – A variety of women's records were set by Minnesota swimmers at the NCAA championships. The records include:

- American record in the 100-yard breaststroke
- First swimming NCAA champion
- IUPUI pool record in the 100-yard breaststroke
- Most all-American honors by a Gopher at an NCAA championship
- Big Ten Conference all-time best performance in the 100-yard breaststroke
- Two Minnesota school records

HEGENER SETS FIVE RECORDS – Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)** had a hand in setting all six of the above records with her NCAA finals swim in the 100-yard breaststroke.

American record – **Hegener** set the American record in the 100-yard breaststroke with a winning time of 1:00.32. The eight-year-old former American record of 1:00.66 was set March 24, 1989, at the USS Senior Nationals in Chapel Hill, N.C., by **Mary Ellen Blanchard**.

First NCAA swimming champion – **Hegener**, by winning the 100-yard breaststroke, became Minnesota's first female

NCAA champion in swimming and diving and the school's second NCAA champion overall. Former gymnast **Marie Roethlisbergèr** was the Gophers' first NCAA champion, winning the uneven bars at the 1990 championships.

Minnesota's first-ever female gold medalist was **Chris Curry**, when she won the 3-meter diving at the 1982 AIAW Swimming and Diving Championships.

IUPUI pool record – **Hegener** also set the IUPUI Indiana Natatorium pool record in the 100-yard breaststroke, breaking the 1994 record of 1:00.46 set by Arizona State's **Beata Kazuba**.

Most all-American honors - **Hegener** earned four all-American honors at the NCAA meet, breaking the Minnesota record of three, set by former diver **Laurie Nelson** at the 1992 championships. **Hegener** earned the honors in the 100-yard breaststroke, the 200-yard breaststroke, the 200-yard medley relay and the 400-yard medley relay. She also was honorable mention all-American in the 200-yard freestyle relay.

Big Ten record – **Hegener** set the the Big Ten Conference record in the All-Time Best Performance category in the 100-yard breaststroke with her time of 1:00.32. She broke the former record of 1:00.47 set in 1993 by Michigan's **Lara Hooiveld**.

Minnesota school record – The last four times **Hegener** has raced the 100-yard breaststroke, she has lowered her time, setting a Minnesota school record each time. At the February Big Ten championships in the prelims of the 100-yard breaststroke, **Hegener** broke her existing record of 1:02.03, set last season, with a time of 1:01.63. During the evening Big Ten finals, she reset it at 1:00.81, winning the event. During Thursday's NCAA prelims, **Hegener** reset it again at 1:00.75, and then again in the finals with 1:00.32.

SPLICHALOVA RESETS FREESTYLE RECORD - Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)** earned her first all-American certificate in the 500-yard freestyle with an eighth-place finish with a time of 4:50.45. She reset her Minnesota school record in prelims of the event with a time 4:46.95, surpassing her former record of 4:47.02 set last month at the Big Ten championships.

COMPLETE MINNESOTA RESULTS FROM THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Junior **SHONA BAILLIE (CAMPBELLVILLE, ON, CANADA/SILVERTHORN)**

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| 6. | 400-yard medley relay | 3:41.30 (all-American) |
| 7. | 200-yard medley relay | 1:42.15 (all-American, ties Minnesota school record) |

Senior **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)**

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| 17. | 1-meter diving | 360.95 |
| 15. | 3-meter diving | 456.10 (honorable mention all-American) |
| 21. | Platform diving | 277.15 |

Frosh **AMY COTTRILL (FAIRPORT, NY)**

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| 7. | 200-yard medley relay | 1:42.15 (all-American, ties Minnesota school record) |
| 13. | 200-yard freestyle relay | 1:33.74 (honorable mention all-American) |
| 16. | 800-yard freestyle relay | 7:26.01 (honorable mention) |

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| 17. | 400-yard freestyle relay | 3:27.06 |
| 41. | (tie) 50-yard freestyle | :23.53 |
| 49. | 100-yard freestyle | 51.24 |

Senior **CARRIE HANSEN** (LAKEVILLE, MN/
ROSEMOUNT)

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|-----|----------------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| 15. | (tie) 1-meter diving | 364.60 | (honorable mention all-American) |
| 23. | 3-meter diving | 427.40 | |
| 19. | Platform diving | 277.15 | |

Senior **GRETCHEN HEGENER** (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)

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|-----|--------------------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. | 100-yard breaststroke | 1:00.32 | (American record, all-American, IUPUI pool record, Minnesota school record) (former American record 1:00.66 - Mary Ellen Blanchard, 3/24/89, at Chapel Hill, NC) |
| 6. | 200-yard breaststroke | 2:13.34 | (all-American) |
| 6. | 400-yard medley relay | 3:41.30 | (all-American) |
| 7. | 200-yard medley relay | 1:42.15 | (all-American, ties Minnesota school record) |
| 13. | 200-yard freestyle relay | 1:33.74 | (honorable mention all-American) |

Frosh **JENNY HENNEN** (ANOKA, MN)

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|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|
| 6. | 400-yard medley relay | 3:41.30 | (all-American) |
| 13. | 200-yard freestyle relay | 1:33.74 | (honorable mention all-American) |
| 16. | 800-yard freestyle relay | 7:26.01 | (honorable mention all-American) |
| 17. | 400-yard freestyle relay | 3:27.06 | |
| 36. | 100-yard freestyle | 50.92 | |

Frosh **TERRI JASHINSKY** (MENOMONNE FALLS, WI)

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|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|
| 13. | 200-yard freestyle relay | 1:33.74 | (honorable mention all-American) |
| 16. | 800-yard freestyle relay | 7:26.01 | (honorable mention all-American) |
| 17. | 400-yard freestyle relay | 3:27.06 | |
| 30. | 100-yard butterfly | 55.86 | |
| 31. | 200-yard butterfly | 2:03.87 | |

Senior **TANYA SCHUH** (LAKE ELMO, MN/
STILLWATER)

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|-----|-----------------------|---------|----------------------------------------------|
| 6. | 400-yard medley relay | 3:41.30 | (all-American) |
| 7. | 200-yard medley relay | 1:42.15 | (all-American, ties Minnesota school record) |
| 11. | 100-yard butterfly | 55.05 | (honorable mention all-American) |

Junior **OLGA SPLICHALOVA** (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC)

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| 8. | 500-yard freestyle | 4:50.45 | (all-American) (set Minnesota school record in prelims - 4:46.95) |
| 16. | 800-yard freestyle relay | 7:26.01 | (honorable mention all-American) |
| 17. | 400-yard freestyle relay | 3:27.06 | |

Junior **KIMBERLY WILSON** (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY)

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| 3. | 1,650-yard freestyle | 16:28.79 | (honorable mention all-American) |
| 19. | 500-yard freestyle | 4:50.03 | |

DAY-BY-DAY NCAA REVIEW**Thursday, March 20, 1997**

Minnesota is tied for ninth place with Nebraska at 46.5 points each after the first day of the 1997 NCAA Division I Women's Swimming and Diving Championships in Indianapolis at IUPUI. Stanford is first at 132 points and is followed by Arizona, Southern Methodist, Georgia, Southern California, Michigan, Auburn and Texas to round out the top 10 teams.

Five Gophers earned all-American honors and five earned honorable mention all-American status in four of the five events Minnesota competed in on Thursday.

The 400-yard medley relay team of **Shona Baillie**, **Gretchen Hegener**, **Tanya Schuh** and **Jenny Hennen** earned all-American honors with a sixth-place finish with a near-school record time of 3:41.30, only three-hundredths off the record time of 3:41.27. Minnesota finished the backstroke leg of the relay in eighth place and moved up to seventh after the **Hegener's** breaststroke and **Schuh's** butterfly legs, with **Hennen** moving the team into sixth-place during the final 100 yard freestyle portion of the race.

In the 500-yard freestyle, **Olga Splichalova** earned her first all-American honors in the event with an eighth-place finish with a time of 4:50.45. She is a two-time honorable mention all-American in 500-yard freestyle, garnering the honors at the 1995 and 1996 NCAA championships. **Splichalova** set the Minnesota school record in the event during the morning preliminaries at 4:46.95, breaking her own record of 4:47.02, set last month at the Big Ten championships. **Kimberly Wilson** swam her best time of the year in the 500-yard freestyle during the prelims to finish at 19th with a time of 4:50.03.

The Gophers 200-yard freestyle relay team of **Amy Cottrill**, **Hennen**, **Terri Jashinsky** and **Hegener** moved up three places from its prelims finish of 16th to 13th with a time of 1:33.74, earning honorable mention all-American honors. Head coach **Jean Freeman** reversed the top two positions in the relay lineup from the prelims, moving **Hennen** to the #2 spot and **Cottrill** to #1. **Cottrill** then swam a lead-off split time of 23.26, the fourth fastest 50-yard freestyle time in Gopher history and the fastest Minnesota time this year. **Cottrill** tied for 41st in the prelims of the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 23.53.

Carrie Hansen, in her second NCAA championship, tied for 15th in 1-meter diving with 364.40 points for her first NCAA Division I honorable mention all-American certificate. **Hansen's** first NCAA meet was the 1993 Division II championships while attending the University North Dakota, where she earned all-American honors with a fourth place in 3-meter diving. She walked-on to the Gopher team in the fall of 1993. Senior **Andrea Berg** was 17th in 1-meter diving with 360.95 points.

Friday, March 21, 1997

Minnesota is 11th with 100.5 points after the second day of the championships. Stanford is first at 286.5 points and is followed by Southern California, Southern Methodist, Georgia, Arizona,

Michigan, Auburn, Nebraska, California and Texas.

Junior **Gretchen Hegener** set the American record in the 100-yard breaststroke with a winning time of 1:00.32 Friday evening. **Hegener** becomes Minnesota's first female NCAA champion in swimming and diving, and the school's second NCAA champion in any sport.

"I never expected that I would have the ability to set the American record," **Hegener** said after the race. "I didn't even know what the record (time) was until after the Big Ten championships. It became my goal to shoot for at the NCAA meet." **Hegener** went on to say "when I won, I was at first amazed, then excited. It's an excellent way to look forward to my 200-yard breaststroke race on Saturday."

Shona Baillie, Hegener, Tanya Schuh and Amy Cottrill placed seventh in the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:42.15, earning all-American honors and tying the school record in the event. The same foursome set the Minnesota record in the event in the same pool at the 1997 Big Ten championships in February.

In the 100-yard butterfly, **Schuh** placed 11th at :55.05 to earn honorable mention all-American honors. Finishing 10th was former Gopher **Kari Klassen** (1994-95 from Northfield, MN) at 55.05, who now swims for Brown University. Minnesota's **Terri Jashinsky** was 30th. **Berg** was 15th in 3-meter diving with 456.10 points and **Hansen** was 23rd at 427.40. Minnesota's 800-yard freestyle relay team of **Hennen, Cottrill, Jashinsky and Splichalova** was 16th at 7:26.01.

Saturday, March 22, 1997

Minnesota was 13th with 117.5 points at the 1997 NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, scoring 17 points in two events on the final day of the meet.

Hegener, the American record holder in the 100-yard breaststroke, earned her fourth all-American certificate of the championships with sixth-place in the 200-yard breaststroke finishing at 2:13.34.

Wilson made it a clean sweep for Minnesota by placing 13th in the 1,650-yard freestyle with a time 16:28.79, earning honorable mention all-American honors. Every Gopher entered in the NCAA championships contributed points to the team's final score. Minnesota's 400-yard freestyle relay team of **Cottrill, Hennen, Splichalova and Jashinsky** finished 17th, only 27 hundredths of a second away from qualifying for the consolation finals. Individually, **Jashinsky** was 31st in the 200-yard butterfly at 2:03.87. In the 100-yard freestyle, **Hennen** was 36th at :50.02 and **Cottrill** was 49th with a time of :51.24. In platform diving on Saturday, **Carrie Hansen** was 19th with 285.20 points and **Andrea Berg** was 21st at 277.15.

EVENT-BY-EVENT RESULTS

200-yard freestyle: 13. Minnesota (Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen, Terri Jashinsky, Gretchen Hegener) 1:33.74 (all-American status).

500-yard freestyle: 8. Olga Splichalova 4:50.45 (all-American status). 19. Kimberly Wilson 4:50.03.

50-yard freestyle: 41. (tie) Amy Cottrill 23.53.

1-meter diving: 15. (tie) Carrie Hansen, 364.60 honorable mention all-American). 17. Andrea Berg, 360.95.

400-yard medley relay: 6. Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen 3:41.30 (all-American status).

200-yard medley relay: 7. Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Amy Cottrill - 1:42.15 (all-American status, ties Minnesota school record set at 1997 Big Ten championships by the same four swimmers).

100-yard butterfly: 11. Tanya Schuh - 55.05 (all-American honorable mention). 30. Terri Jashinsky 55.86.

100-yard breaststroke: 1. Gretchen Hegener - 1:00.32 (American record, pool record, school record, all-American status)

3-meter diving: 15. Andrea Berg - 456.10 (all-American honorable mention). 23. Carrie Hansen - 427.40.

800-yard freestyle relay: 16. Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Olga Splichalova - 7:26.01 (all-American honorable mention).

1,650-yard freestyle: 13. Kimberly Wilson, 16:28.29 (honorable mention all-American).

200-yard breaststroke: 6. Gretchen Hegener 2:13.34 (all-American).

Platform diving: 19. Carrie Hansen, 285.20. 21. Andrea Berg, 277.15.

100-yard freestyle: 36. Jenny Hennen, 50.92. 49. Amy Cottrill, 51.24.

200-yard butterfly: 31. Terri Jashinsky, 2:03.87.

400-yard freestyle relay: 17. Amy Cottrill, Jenny Hennen, Olga Splichalova, Terri Jashinsky, 3: 27.06.

Track and Field

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO NORTH CAROLINA TO OPEN OUTDOOR SEASON--Minnesota will open the 1997 outdoor season at the Raleigh Relays Friday-Saturday, March 28-29. Last season, Minnesota placed third at the Big Ten Championships in the outdoor competition and was 19th nationally.

UP NEXT--Minnesota has the next week off before splitting its squad. Some athletes will compete at the Sea Ray Invitational in Knoxville, Tenn., while others will go to the Missouri Invitational and the Drake Invitational.

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of Mar 04, 1997)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 19-5-0 Home 0-0-0 Away: 3-1-0 Neutral: 16-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Lara Severson.....	.556	16-0	9	6	5	0	0	0	2	5	.556	0	0	1	0	.556	0	0	2-2	1	0	0	1.000
Steph Midthun.....	.421	18-18	57	14	24	2	0	0	5	26	.456	4	0	4	0	.459	0	4	4-4	14	0	2	.875
Rachel Nelson.....	.412	24-24	85	19	35	2	1	0	12	39	.459	7	0	10	0	.457	0	1	10-13	19	1	0	1.000
Laura Peters.....	.409	22-19	44	11	18	0	0	0	2	18	.409	5	0	5	0	.469	0	5	10-10	34	28	3	.954
Amber Hegland.....	.397	24-24	73	16	29	2	0	1	19	34	.466	13	1	6	0	.494	0	0	2-4	14	11	0	1.000
Ann Bartholmey.....	.357	24-24	56	9	20	3	0	0	9	23	.411	0	1	1	0	.368	0	4	1-2	103	15	1	.992
Jodi Halvorson.....	.344	24-24	61	7	21	1	0	0	7	22	.361	6	0	4	0	.403	0	2	0-1	9	66	3	.962
Shannon Beeler.....	.338	24-24	80	15	27	6	2	5	26	52	.650	8	0	6	0	.393	1	0	0-0	31	62	5	.949
Chantell Jernell....	.333	5-0	3	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	.333	0	1	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Fox.....	.292	17-4	24	4	7	3	0	0	7	10	.417	1	0	1	0	.320	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Tracy Carey.....	.279	24-24	68	9	19	3	2	2	11	32	.471	7	0	9	0	.347	0	2	0-0	192	7	2	.990
Wendy Logue.....	.250	3-3	8	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.250	0	0	2	0	.250	0	0	0-0	12	21	1	.971
Dana Ballard.....	.234	20-15	47	7	11	3	0	1	9	17	.362	5	1	7	0	.321	0	0	2-4	11	0	0	1.000
Renee Sbrocco.....	.170	21-15	47	8	8	1	0	0	3	9	.191	2	0	5	0	.204	0	2	1-1	9	1	0	1.000
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	9-0	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.250	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Bauer.....	.000	1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
Michelle Bennett....	.000	15-0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-2	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.338	24-24	671	133	227	26	5	9	115	290	.432	60	4	67	0	.395	1	20	35-45	454	233	17	.976
Opponents.....	.196	24-24	546	35	107	13	4	5	28	143	.262	22	2	92	0	.229	1	14	12-21	449	233	36	.950

LOB - Team (175), Opp (97). DPs turned - Team (3), Opp (4). IBB - Team (1), T. Carey 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Jennifer Bauer.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	3.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	14	.100	0	0	0	0	0
Steph Klaviter.....	0.83	8-2	12	11	6	3/1	0	59.1	48	14	7	9	35	6	0	1	237	.218	1	2	0	0	6
Jennifer Johnson....	0.84	4-2	11	4	2	1/2	4	33.1	14	5	4	2	39	2	0	3	115	.125	0	0	0	0	1
Wendy Logue.....	1.38	7-1	11	9	4	3/1	0	55.2	44	16	11	7	16	5	4	1	219	.216	2	0	0	1	7
Totals.....	1.02	19-5	24	24	12	10/3	4	151.1	107	35	22	22	92	13	4	5	585	.196	3	2	0	1	14
Opponents.....	4.91	5-19	24	24	15	2/0	1	149.2	227	133	105	60	67	26	5	9	756	.338	7	4	0	1	20

PB - Team (1), A Bartholmey 1, Opp (8). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (12-20), S. Klaviter (5-12), W. Logue (6-7), J. Johnson (1-2).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Game Results for MINNESOTA (as of Mar 04, 1997)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Conference	Pitcher of record	Attend Time	
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Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 11-1	11	15	0/1	4	1	5	1-0-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 1-0)	50	
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 17-0	17	16	0/0	3	3	5	2-0-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 1-0)	50	
Feb 15, 1997	vs Baylor	0-1 L	0	7	1/1	3	2	7	2-1-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (L 1-1)	50	
Feb 15, 1997	vs Texas A&M	W 4-3	4	9	3/3	5	3	(8)	3-1-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 2-0)	50	
Feb 15, 1997	vs Stephen F. Austin	3-6 L	3	9	4/6	9	0	7	3-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (L 2-1)	50	
Feb 16, 1997	vs Louisiana Tech	W 2-0	2	6	0/0	3	2	7	4-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 1-0)	50	
Feb 16, 1997	at Texas-Arlington	W 2-0	2	7	0/0	3	1	7	5-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 3-1)	50	
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 5-2	5	9	0/2	8	2	7	6-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 4-1)	50	
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 6-0	6	11	1/0	3	1	7	7-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 2-1)	50	
Feb 21, 1997	vs Maryland	W 1-0	1	2	0/0	2	1	6	8-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 5-1)	50	
Feb 21, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 4-0	4	10	0/0	3	2	5	9-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 3-1)	50	
Feb 22, 1997	vs Robert Morris	W 15-1	15	14	1/1	6	1	4	10-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 4-1)	50	
Feb 22, 1997	vs Temple	W 9-0	9	12	0/0	1	2	5	11-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 2-0)	50	
Feb 23, 1997	vs Ohio	W 4-0	4	11	1/0	3	0	7	12-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 6-1)	50	
Feb 23, 1997	vs Illinois-Chicago	W 3-1	3	10	0/1	3	0	7	13-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 3-0)	50	
Feb 23, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 8-0	8	10	1/0	3	3	5	14-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 5-1)	50	
Feb 27, 1997	vs New Mexico	W 4-2	4	7	2/2	4	4	7	15-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 6-1)	50	
Feb 27, 1997	vs Baylor	4-5 L	4	9	1/5	11	0	(8)	15-3-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 3-1)	50	
Feb 28, 1997	vs Wichita State	W 6-2	6	8	0/2	6	2	7	16-3-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 7-1)	50	
Feb 28, 1997	at New Mexico State	0-2 L	0	3	0/2	3	2	7	16-4-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 3-2)	50	
Mar 1, 1997	vs Furman	W 8-1	8	12	1/1	3	0	7	17-4-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 8-1)	50	
Mar 1, 1997	vs Ohio State	2-4 L	2	8	1/4	9	2	7	17-5-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (L 8-2)	50	
Mar 2, 1997	vs Loyola	W 8-0	8	8	0/0	1	2	6	18-5-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 7-1)	50	
Mar 2, 1997	vs Texas Tech	W 7-4	7	14	0/4	8	0	7	19-5-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 4-2)	50	

*Conference game

#Tournament game

() extra inning game

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 18-5 Dual: 3-3 Invites: 3-0 Home: 12-2 Away: 6-3 Big Ten: 9-2 Top 25: 4-3

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/21--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
#20 UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- OSU/IL	194.500		48.150		48.650		48.475		49.225	
Ohio State		192.225		48.475		47.000		48.375		48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri	193.775		49.125		48.775		46.600		49.275	
Missouri		192.925		48.600		47.250		48.625		48.450
Eastern Michigan		191.850		48.050		48.150		47.325		48.325
Iowa		189.800		47.775		48.400		45.900		47.725
3/14--#14 Iowa State	194.850	194.725	48.900	48.575	48.925	48.250	47.800	48.875	49.225	49.025
3/22--Big Ten Champ.	196.350		49.075		49.000		49.300		48.975	
Michigan		197.150		49.500		49.300		48.875		49.475
Ohio State		195.825		48.975		49.125		48.875		48.850
Michigan State		195.475		49.025		48.125		49.300		49.025
Penn State		194.300		48.600		48.775		48.700		48.225
Illinois		194.075		48.450		48.250		48.750		48.625
Iowa		193.725		48.075		48.350		48.550		48.750
Raw Average:	193.836									
RQS*:	194.531									

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the top two home, top two away and next two best scores are identified. The high and low scores are dropped and the remaining four are averaged for the RQS. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.925*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.875	Three times (Last Big Ten Championships 3/22)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.875	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.950*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Judith Cavazos	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)

TEAM VAULT	49.125*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	49.000	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	49.300*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	49.275**	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	196.350*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)

*-school record

1997 MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

	Batza	Cavazos	Chang	Hammons	Keyser	Knaeble	Mazzone	Myhre	Phillippi	Purkat	Selinger	Sveum	Umland	Vandersall
VAULT														
Season Best	9.900	9.850				9.800					9.800	9.925	9.725	
Season Average	9.734	9.607				9.711					9.627	9.730	9.584	
Career Best	9.900	9.850		9.725		9.825		8.250		9.125	9.800	9.925	9.725	9.325
Career Average	9.644	9.607		9.488		9.663		8.250		9.038	9.627	9.673	9.476	9.119
BARS														
Season Best		9.875	9.650		9.850		9.700			9.700			9.800	9.875
Season Average		9.754	9.225		9.550		9.575			9.636			9.620	9.559
Career Best	9.575	9.875	9.650		9.900	9.800	9.700			9.775		9.500	9.800	9.900
Career Average	9.100	9.754	9.225		9.592	9.323	9.575			9.389		9.381	9.556	9.550
BEAM														
Season Best	9.675	9.850	8.950		9.875	9.950	9.300	9.550	9.775	9.875	9.875			
Season Average	9.289	9.468	8.950		9.657	9.643	9.125	9.267	9.475	9.618	9.800			
Career Best	9.825	9.850	8.950	9.725	9.925	9.950	9.300	9.775	9.775	9.875	9.875	9.775		
Career Average	9.388	9.468	8.950	9.375	9.638	9.638	9.125	9.345	9.475	9.558	9.800	9.129		
FLOOR														
Season Best		9.950		9.900		9.925		9.800				9.800		9.950
Season Average		9.800		9.784		9.845		9.638				9.661		9.861
Career Best	9.600	9.950		9.900	9.725	9.925		9.850		9.650		9.825		9.950
Career Average	9.421	9.800		9.702	9.423	9.720		9.481		9.396		9.643		9.656
ALL-AROUND														
Season Best		39.300												
Season Average		38.629												
Career Best	38.275	39.300				39.075				37.900		38.375		
Career Average	37.486	38.629				38.404				37.575		37.833		

University of Minnesota 1996-97 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Overall: 15-0 Dual Record: 13-0 Big Ten: 7-0 Invitationals: 2-0 Big Ten Championships: 2nd NCAA's: 15th

DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	MINN. RANK	SCORE
11/1/96	@ Tar Heel Invitational		#15	Unscored	1/19/97	@ Notre Dame	W	#10	176-124
11/2/96	@ #16 North Carolina	W	#15	158-142	1/24/97	Ohio State	W	#9	178-117
11/8/96	@ Iowa State	W	#15	152-145	1/31-2/1/97	#22 Wisconsin	W	#9	243-105
11/9/96	#23 Penn State	W	#15	177-118	1/31-2/1/97	Purdue	W	#9	243-107
11/16/96	#11 Nebraska	W	#10	186-114	1/31-2/1/97	#23 Illinois	W	#9	219-130
11/22-24/96	Minnesota Invite	1st	#10	1,248 pts.	2/8/97	Iowa	W	#8	187-106
12/19/96	@ Hawaii	W	#10	149-55	2/14-15/97	Minnesota Challenge		#8	Unscored
1/10/97	#19 Kansas	W	#10	197-103	2/20-22/97	@ Big Ten Champ.	2nd	#10	608.5 pts.
1/11/97	Gold Country Invite	1st	#10	1,037 pts.	3/20-22/97	@ NCAA Champ.	13th	#8	117.5 pts.
1/18/97	@ #14 Northwestern	W	#10	155-145					

Meets in **BOLD** at the University Aquatic Center

Times in (): (NCAA automatic qualifying standard, NCAA consideration standard, Minnesota school record)

Points in (): (NCAA zone diving standard, Minnesota school record)

50y Free (23.12, 23.81, 22.97)		200y Backstroke (1:58.19, 2:01.73, 1:59.96)		400y Free Relay (3:21.52, 3:27.56, 3:22.78)
Jenny Hennen 23.54 •		Beth Shimanski 2:01.87		3:24.78* – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Devon Coellner, Beth Shimanski
Amy Cottrill 23.60 •		Marta Knowles 2:03.70		
Beth Shimanski 23.98		Kimberly Wilson 2:05.96		800y Free Relay (7:17.94, 7:31.07, 7:21.43)
Terri Jashinsky 24.08		Amy Cottrill 2:10.13		7:21.43* – Jenny Hennen, Alicia Hicken, Amy Cottrill, Olga Splichalova
Devon Coellner 24.18		Alicia Hicken 2:12.12		
100y Free (50.15, 51.65, 50.40)		100y Breaststroke (1:02.33, 1:04.19, 1:00.32^=!)		200y Medley Relay (1:41.85, 1:44.90, 1:42.15)
Jenny Hennen 50.40 **		Gretchen Hegener 1:00.32 ^=!*		1:42.15**> – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Amy Cottrill
Amy Cottrill 51.11 •		Devon Coellner 1:04.18		
Terri Jashinsky 52.30		Kate McMillan 1:04.43		400y Medley Relay (3:42.18, 3:48.84, 3:41.27)
Krissy Berglund 52.51		Michelle Fischer 1:05.78		3:41.27#*> – Shona Baillie, Gretchen Hegener, Tanya Schuh, Jenny Hennen
Suzie Helvig 52.62		Katie Olson 1:07.04		
200y Free (1:48.54, 1:51.79, 1:48.52)		200y Breaststroke (2:15.03, 2:19.08, 2:11.60)		1 M Diving (6) (245, 293.13)
Jenny Hennen 1:48.76 •		Gretchen Hegener 2:11.60 #>*		Carrie Hansen 272.40 %
Olga Splichalova 1:50.19 •		Devon Coellner 2:19.87		Andrea Berg 268.90 %
Alicia Hicken 1:51.22		Kate McMillan 2:20.54		Jenny Cook 253.73 %
Amy Cottrill 1:51.80		Michelle Fischer 2:21.82		Shelby Evadine Miller 233.25
Terri Jashinsky 1:52.98		Jessica Smith 2:24.98		Andrea Wheeler 173.95
500y Free (4:47.24, 4:55.85, 4:46.95!)		100y Butterfly (55.09, 56.74, 54.24)		1 M Diving (10) (375, 448.15)
Olga Splichalova 4:46.95 !*		Tanya Schuh 54.86 #		Carrie Hansen 430.15 %
Kimberly Wilson 4:50.14 •		Terry Jashinsky 55.52 •		Andrea Berg 428.75 %
Alicia Hicken 4:52.18		Carrie Raeth 57.45		Jenny Cook 351.35
Jenny Hennen 4:58.75		Jenny Hennen 57.75		Shelby Evadine Miller 325.70
Jessica Grass 5:01.59		Jessica Grass 58.94		Andrea Wheeler 213.10
1000y Free (not an NCAA event, 9:49.68S)		200y Butterfly (2:00.29, 2:03.89, 2:00.69)		3 M Diving (6) (255, 332.90)
Olga Splichalova 9:50.10		Jessica Grass 2:02.73 •		Carrie Hansen 291.40 %
Kimberly Wilson 9:53.84 S		Terri Jashinsky 2:02.83 •		Andrea Berg 283.65 %
Alicia Hicken 10:05.60 S		Jenny Hennen 2:04.25		Jenny Cook 272.63 %
Jessica Grass 10:19.90		Tanya Schuh 2:05.33		Shelby Evadine Miller 254.55
Jenny Hennen 10:21.44		Kimberly Wilson 2:07.64		Andrea Wheeler 188.70
1650y Free (16:20.68, 16:50.10, 16:14.67)		200y IM (2:01.52, 2:05.16, 2:02.29)		3 M Diving (11) (425, 528.51)
Kimberly Wilson 16:19.43 #		Gretchen Hegener 2:03.64		Andrea Berg 516.90 %
Olga Splichalova 16:26.22 •		Jessica Grass 2:04.82		Carrie Hansen 469.35 %
Alicia Hicken 16:43.81		Devon Coellner 2:05.41		Jenny Cook 430.90 %
Elizabeth Weld 17:45.76		Jenny Hennen 2:06.46		Shelby Evadine Miller 384.00
Marta Knowles 17:47.14		Terri Jashinsky 2:08.72		Andrea Wheeler 280.10
100y Backstroke (55.27, 56.92, 54.21)		400y IM (4:17.93, 4:25.66, 4:16.25)		Platform Diving (8) (325, 346.05)
Shona Baillie 56.46 •		Jessica Grass 4:20.29 •		Carrie Hansen 325.35 %
Beth Shimanski 56.56 •		Olga Splichalova 4:21.91 •		Jenny Cook 287.10
Carrie Raeth 1:00.30		Kimberly Wilson 4:25.92		Andrea Berg 268.55 @
Marta Knowles 1:00.38		Marta Knowles 4:27.05		Andrea Wheeler 264.25
Terri Jashinsky 1:00.56				Platform Diving (12) (405, 570.75)
		200y Free Relay (1:32.25, 1:35.01, 1:32.77)		Andrea Berg 436.55 %
		1:33.11* – Jenny Hennen, Amy Cottrill, Terri Jashinsky, Beth Shimanski		Carrie Hansen 480.95 %
				Shelby Evadine Miller 224.15

SLead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualifying time ^American Record =All-time Big Ten Record
•NCAA Consideration time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying @at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship >Big Ten Championship Record

TENNIS TEAM STATS

SINGLES	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	5-1			6-4	3-2	13-7	.650
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	1-0	0-6		1-7	.125
Jana Hrdinova				1-0	7-1		6-4	5-0	14-5	.737
Alice Rangsithienchai		9-1					7-3	4-1	16-4	.800
Nora Sauska	10-0						10-1	5-0	20-1	.952
Kim Simonsen			3-1	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	5-0	14-5	.737
Jenni Svehla			1-1				5-6		6-7	.461
Helen Wang						6-2	7-4	3-2	13-6	.684
Totals							47-31	25-5	97-42	.698

DOUBLES	#1	#2	#3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins				4-3		4-3	.667
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-1		1-4	6-4	.600
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-1	3-2		3-2	5-3	.625
				13-13	7-8	33-23	.589



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, April 2
SB hosts Mankato State 4 p.m.

Friday, April 4
TN hosts Penn State 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 5
SB hosts Indiana (2) 1 p.m.
GY at NCAA Central Regionals
(Ann Arbor, Mich.) 7 p.m.
GF at Indiana Invitational
(Bloomington, Ind.)

Sunday, April 6
SB hosts Indiana 12 noon
GF at Indiana Invitational
(Bloomington, Ind.)

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- #11 Softball opens home season Wednesday
- #28 Tennis has final home match of season Friday
- #21 Gymnastics heads for NCAA Regionals Saturday
- #17 Golf entered in the Indiana Invitational

Last Week's Highlights

- Gretchen Hegener named Athlete of the Month for fourth time this year
- Track and Field's Parkos and Chimko provisional qualify for NCAA meet

Announcements

HEGENER RECEIVES FOURTH ATHLETE OF MONTH AWARD FOR 1996-97--Junior **GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)** is the Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for March. This is the fourth time this school year she has received the honor. No other Minnesota student-athlete has had as many Athlete of the Month honors in a single year. During March, Hegerer:

- set the American record in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:00.32)
- was the 1997 NCAA champion in 100-yard breaststroke (1:00.32)
- set the Big Ten Conference's all-time best performance record in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:00.32)
- set IUPUI Indiana Natatorium pool record in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:00.32)
- set the Minnesota school record in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:00.32)
- was a 1997 NCAA all-American in the 100-yard breaststroke, 200-yard breaststroke, 200-yard medley relay and 400-yard medley relay
- was a 1997 NCAA honorable mention all-American in the 200-yard freestyle relay
- earned more all-American honors (four) at a single women's championship than any other Gopher in Minnesota history
- became the first Minnesota female student-athlete to set an American record
- was the first Minnesota female student-athlete to win an event at the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships.

INNER CIRCLE BREAKFAST APRIL 15--The final Inner Circle breakfast of the season is Tuesday, April 15, at the Radisson Metrodome hotel on Washington Avenue. The program begins at 7:30 a.m. with Kathy Wurzer of KXTA-2 and WCCO Radio serving as emcee for the event. Featured speakers include golf coach Kathy Williams and a softball student-athlete.

Softball

GOPHER SOFTBALL TEAM OPENS HOME SCHEDULE

— The University of Minnesota softball team hopes to open its home schedule on Wednesday, April 2, against Mankato State. The doubleheader at the Bierman Softball Complex is set to begin at 4 p.m. The Gophers continue Big Ten play on Saturday and Sunday when they host Indiana. Saturday's doubleheader is scheduled for a 1 p.m. start. A single game will be played on Sunday starting at noon. Minnesota is 21-9 overall and 0-3 in the Big Ten.

HOME SWEET HOME— Minnesota will play 10 home dates in the month of April, including the next 12 games in seven consecutive home dates. The Gophers were 9-4 on their home field a year ago.

GOPHERS RANKED 11TH — The Gophers were ranked #11 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Defending national champion Arizona continued to hold the #1 position. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 12. Iowa leads the way ranked #6, followed by defending conference champion Michigan at #9, Minnesota at #11 and Michigan State at #12.

ABOUT MINNESOTA— Minnesota looks to improve on its 44-18 record from a year ago and has the talent and depth to do so. Two all-Americans, first-teamer Rachel Nelson and second-teamer Amber Hegland, highlight the group of 16 returning letterwinners from a squad which finished second in the Big Ten with a 17-6 mark.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
C	14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B	17	Tracy Carey	R/R	Jr.	Richfield, MN (Nebraska-Omaha)
2B	12	Laura Peters	L/R	Jr.	Cottage Grove, MN
	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
3B	21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
SS	5	Shannon Beeler	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF	2	Steph Midthun	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF	1	Rachel Nelson	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
RF	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN
	6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)
DP	3	Dana Ballard	R/R	Fr.	Oak Park, IL (Fenwick)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
11	Jennifer Bauer	R/R	Sr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN— Minnesota head coach **Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien** enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 176-151-1 (.538). **Bernstein-O'Brien** owns a Big Ten record of 68-67 (.503) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach **Julie Stander** is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while **Jennifer McGuinness** is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

GOPHERS LOOK TO BREAK THE SLIDE — The Gophers look to break a four-game losing streak when they play Mankato State on Wednesday. Key factors in the Minnesota slide have been run production and missed opportunities. In the last four games, the Gophers have been outscored by a 21-9 margin. Missed opportunities continue to plague the Gophers as they have left 224 runners stranded on base in 30 games this season.

HEGLAND A BRIGHT SPOT IN TOUGH WEEK — Junior **Amber Hegland's** performance was a bright spot in a tough week for the Gophers. Minnesota went 2-4 on the week but **Hegland** provided the biggest bat in the Gopher lineup, hitting .500 for the week. **Hegland** is second on the team in hitting with a .419 batting average and leads the team with her 25 RBI.

KLAVITER TOPS PITCHING STAFF — Sophomore **Steph Klaviter** leads the Gopher pitching staff with nine wins on the season. **Klaviter** owns a 9-3 record and a team-leading 1.24 ERA.

BEELER TIES CAREER HOME RUN MARK — Sophomore shortstop **Shannon Beeler** is tied for the Minnesota career home run record. **Beeler** belted her fourth and fifth homers of the season in the Troy Cox Invitational to give her 15 in her brief career as a Gopher. **Beeler** shares the record with current Minnesota assistant coach **Jennifer McGuinness**, who played for the Gophers from 1991-94.

NELSON SETS CAREER HITS MARK — All-America outfielder **Rachel Nelson** recorded her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over Robert Morris, during the Triangle Classic on Feb. 22, to set a new Minnesota career hits record. The old record of 259 hits was held by **Lezlie Weiss** (1990-93). To date, **Nelson** has 286 hits in her career.

THE SCOUTING REPORT —

MANKATO STATE--Mankato State owns a 15-4 record after going 12-2 on its spring trip to Florida. The Mavericks have won eight straight games, including shutout victories over Augustana (2-0) and Florida Southern (1-0) in their last two outings. Junior **Leah Hughes**, second base, leads the team with a .420 batting average. At first base, senior **Deb Westrum** checks in with a .400 batting average and a team-best 24 RBI. Senior righthander **Pam Stierlen** is the workhorse of the MSU pitching staff and owns a 10-3 record and a 1.23 ERA.

Mankato State head coach **Lori Meyer** is in her 13th season with the Mavericks and sports a 407-236-2 record.

The Series - Minnesota leads 22-4.

INDIANA — The Hoosiers, 19-8 overall and 3-0, take a five-game winning streak into a doubleheader against Ohio State on Wednesday, April 2. Indiana opened its Big Ten season in grand style with a three-game sweep over Penn State. Indiana is

batting .327 as a team behind a pair of powerful hitters in shortstop **Monica Armendarez** and designated player **Meg Montgomery**. **Armendarez** has put up impressive numbers in leading the team with a .463 batting average. Eighteen of her 38 hits this season have gone for extra bases adding up to 33 RBI and .866 slugging percentage. **Montgomery** leads the team with 35 RBI and is a definite long-ball threat with eight home runs this season.

Indiana head coach **Diane Stephenson** is in her 10th season with the Hoosiers and owns a mark of 318-220. **Stephenson** guided the Hoosiers to the NCAA tournament last season and to the Big Ten title in '94.

The Series - Indiana leads 35-22.

USA TODAY / NFCA COACHES TOP 25 POLL —

Poll #5 — March 25

Rank	School	Record	Points	LtWk
1.	Arizona (25)	30-1	625	1
2.	Fresno State	27-4	587	2
3.	UCLA	24-4	579	3
4.	South Carolina	30-2	558	4
5.	Washington	20-6	500	5
6.	Iowa	19-3	469	6
7.	Oklahoma	35-11	441	14
8.	Cal Poly SLO	26-4	436	7
9.	Michigan	25-8-1	418	9
10.	Long Beach State	23-9	367	11
11.	MINNESOTA	19-5	351	10
12.	Michigan State	28-8	337	8
13.	Arizona State	22-7	321	13
14.	Missouri	25-7	292	15
15.	South Florida	28-9	265	16
16.	Oklahoma State	22-11	240	12
17.	Colorado State	27-8	213	19
18.	Florida State	25-12	177	21
19.	Louisiana Tech	23-10	161	18
20.	California	20-15	155	17
21.	Oregon State	16-9	139	NR
22.	Pacific	21-10	106	20
23.	Northeast Louisiana	28-3	97	25
24.	Hawaii	23-15-1	75	23
25.	Baylor	25-12	32	NR

Receiving Votes: Cal State Northridge (26), Utah (22), Tennessee (18), San Diego State (17), Nebraska (16), Hofstra (13), DePaul (12), Louisiana State (12), Indiana (11), Southwestern Louisiana (10), Wisconsin (4), East Carolina (3), Kansas (3), Princeton (3), Illinois-Chicago (2), Creighton (1), Iowa State (1).

UP NEXT — Minnesota hosts Iowa State and Northern Iowa in a non-conference doubleheaders on Tuesday, April 8, and Wednesday, April 9, before welcoming Penn State to town for three Big Ten games on Saturday, April 12 and Sunday, April 13.

Gymnastics

GOPHERS TRAVEL TO MICHIGAN FOR REGIONALS—Minnesota is one of seven teams invited to participate in the NCAA Central Regional Championships, Saturday, April 5, in Ann Arbor, Mich. This is the second consecutive season that Minnesota has been invited to the Central Regional Championships.

Invitations are given to the seven schools with the highest team qualifying scores in the Central region. The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the top two home, top two away and next two best scores are identified. The high and the low scores are dropped and the remaining four are averaged for the RQS.

The Gophers come into the NCAA Central Regional championship with the sixth-highest regional qualifying score at 194.5312. Other teams participating in the regional meet are Michigan, Alabama, Louisiana State, Iowa State, Southeast Missouri and Michigan State.

MICHIGAN WINS TEAM TITLE, MINNESOTA SECOND AT BIG TEN'S—Michigan claimed its sixth consecutive team title, but Minnesota gave the Wolverines all they could handle at the 1997 Big Ten Championships held in front of 2,391 fans at the Sports Pavilion. Michigan won the title with a Big Ten Championship record score of 197.150. The old record was 196.500 set by Michigan in 1995. Minnesota set a school record scoring a 196.350, while Ohio State was third at 195.825. Michigan had at least one athlete claim a share of every individual title and swept the top three positions in the all-around. Newcomer Sarah Cain, the 1997 Big Ten Frosh and Athlete of the Year, won the all-around title scoring 39.650. Cain also won a portion of the floor exercise title. Lisa Simes was second in the all-around and tied for first on the beam, while Beth Amelkovich was third in the all-around and won a share of the beam title with a 9.95. Minnesota's MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE) also won a portion of the beam championships with a 9.95, a Minnesota school record. Simes, Amelkovich and Knaeble's score of 9.95 broke the Big Ten Championship record of 9.925 set by Michigan's Beth Wymer in 1993. On the floor, Michigan took the top three spots with Cain, Heather Kabnick and Nikki Peters scoring 9.925, tying the Big Ten record. Peters won the bars championship with a 9.95 and Kabnick took the vault title with a 9.95.

Results from the 1997 Big Ten Championships

Team scores: 1. Michigan 197.150***; 2. Minnesota 196.350; 3. Ohio State 195.825; 4. Michigan State 195.475; 5. Penn State 194.300; 6. Illinois 194.075; 7. Iowa 193.725

All-around: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 39.650; 2. Lisa Simes, Michigan, 39.575; 3. Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 39.475; 4. Jaime Elwell, Michigan State, 39.300; 5. Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 39.275; 6. Briony Lecky, Michigan State, 39.250

Floor Exercise: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.925**; Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.925**; Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.925**;
4. Mindy Knaeble, Minnesota, 9.90; 5. Lori Whitwer, Iowa, 9.875; Lisa Simes, Michigan, 9.875

Balance Beam: 1. Mindy Knaeble, Minnesota, 9.950***; Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 9.950***; Lisa Simes, Michigan, 9.950***; 4. Jaime Elwell, Michigan State, 9.925; Kim Berres, Illinois, 9.925; Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.925; Mindy Farmer, Ohio State, 9.925; Nikki Smith, Penn State, 9.925

Uneven Bars: 1. Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.95; 2. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.90; Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 9.90; Ellen Casey, Penn State, 9.90; 5. Judith Cavazos, Minnesota, 9.875; Koyuki, Oka, Ohio State, 9.875

Vault: 1. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.95; 2. Lisa Simes, Michigan 9.925; Kelly Harper, Ohio State, 9.925; 4. Kim Sveum, Minnesota, 9.90; Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.90; 6. Puni Viernes, Illinois, 9.875; Nikki Peters, Michigan, 9.875; Susan Eckman, Ohio State, 9.875; Ellen Casey, Penn State, 9.875

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KNAEBLE WINS BIG TEN BEAM TITLE—Junior Mindy Knaeble became Minnesota's first Big Ten Champion on the beam since Kathy Ness in 1991. Knaeble posted a 9.95 on the event to tie Michigan's Beth Amelkovich and Lisa Simes for the title. Knaeble broke the Minnesota record of 9.925 set by Cathy Keyser last season and tied the highest score ever recorded in Minnesota school history. For her efforts, Knaeble earned all-Big Ten honors, the second of her career. She was named all-Big Ten in 1996 after winning a share of the floor exercise title.

STEPHENSON NAMED BIG TEN COACH OF THE YEAR—Minnesota's Jim Stephenson was named the 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year. It was the second time in three years Stephenson won the honor. Stephenson led Minnesota to a second-place finish at the Big Ten meet as Minnesota posted its highest score in history. In 1995, Stephenson shared the same award with Michigan's Bev Plocki.

MORE RECORDS BROKEN AT BIG TEN'S—Minnesota had an outstanding Big Ten meet as it set a new team and beam record. Minnesota scored a 196.350 breaking its old record of 195.000 set against Utah earlier this season. Minnesota had struggled all year on the beam but received outstanding performances from Knaeble, KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/GATEWAY), LACEY PURKAT (ANNANDALE, VA/W.T. WOODSON), CAMI PHILLIPPI (ROSEVILLE, AREA) and CATHY KEYSER (PLYMOUTH, MN/AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT) to set a new record of 49.300 breaking the old record of 48.975 set at Southeast Missouri in 1996. Selinger recorded a career-high of 9.875, tying for #3 in Minnesota history) in only her second time competing in the event. Purkat also set a career-high with a 9.875, followed by Phillippi who posted a 9.775. Phillippi had only competed on

the beam one time prior to the Big Ten meet and had a 9.175. Keyser remained steady as she had a 9.825.

SVEUM AND CAVAZOS ALSO FINISH IN THE TOP SIX—KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT) and JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANADEL NORESTE) finished in the top six in individual events for the Gophers. Sveum was fourth in the vault with a 9.90. Cavazos was fifth in the bars with a 9.875, also tying her career-high.

CAVAZOS AND VANDERSALL SHARE NEW FLOOR RECORD — The Minnesota school record on floor exercise was broken not once, but twice in the Gophers' win over Iowa State on March 14. Judith Cavazos tallied a 9.950 to break Mindy Knaeble's former record of 9.925. One performance later, senior KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG) equaled Cavazos' 9.950 to grab her share of the record.

KNAEBLE SOLID ON THE FLOOR— In 10 of 11 Minnesota meets this season, junior Mindy Knaeble has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. Knaeble, who is ranked 15th in the nation in the event, had scored a 9.600 or better in her last 22 performances until the meet against Iowa State on March 14, when a fall in her routine landed her a score of 9.475. Knaeble holds nine of the top ten scores in Gopher floor exercise history.

MORE ON THE FLOOR — Mindy Knaeble isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked sixth in the nation on the floor exercise and has recorded seven of the top ten scores in school history in the event so far this season, including the tie of the school record with a team score of 49.275 against Missouri on March 9. Competing with the same rotation on floor throughout '97, all six Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including the school record shared by Judith Cavazos and Kristen Vandersall. Knaeble, the previous record holder with a 9.925, and senior JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI) with a 9.900 add explosive scoring punch to the Gophers' floor team. Knaeble, Vandersall, Cavazos and Hammons have combined to produce 29 of Minnesota's 30 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only Lori Kindler, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS — In 11 meets this season, Gopher newcomer Judith Cavazos has earned five all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did against #2 Utah. Competing against Utah's Traci Sommer and Denise Jones, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, Cavazos broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. Sommer scored 39.1 and Jones had 39.025. Cavazos also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. Cavazos has recorded five of the top ten all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Illinois, Ohio State, Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of Minnesota.

SVEUM, BATZA LEAD VAULT TEAM — Juniors Kim Sveum and STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR) have a lot in common, including the Minnesota school record on vault. Sveum set the record twice last season, posting scores of 9.9. Batza tied the record against UMass before Sveum set the new standard with a 9.925 on March 9 at Missouri. Together the pair owns 11 of the top 13 vault scores in school history.

KEYSER ANOTHER ONE TO WATCH — Two-time all-Big Ten performer Cathy Keyser has been relatively quiet in 1997. Coming off third-place finishes on bars and beam at last year's Big Ten Championships, Keyser struggled on both events early in '97 but is making a strong comeback. On bars, Keyser scored a 9.80 at the Big Ten meet, improving her streak to seven meets that she's scored a 9.7 or higher. On beam, Keyser has been a stabilizing force of late, scoring 9.7 or better in six of her last seven meets, including a team season-best of 9.875 against Ohio State / Illinois. She posted a 9.825 at the Big Ten Championships.

GOPHERS IN THE NATIONAL RANKINGS — Minnesota is nationally-ranked in three events, helping the Gophers to their overall team ranking of #21. The Gophers' floor exercise squad leads the way with a #8 ranking, followed by the uneven bars contingent ranked #16. After scoring the top five team scores in Gopher history, the vault team has climbed to #22 in the national ranking.

GOPHERS RANKED 21st IN THE COUNTRY — The Gophers are ranked 21st in the country, based on total season average score. Minnesota has an average of 194.530.

The national rankings:

1.	Georgia	197.927
2.	Michigan	196.892
3.	Utah	196.890
4.	Alabama	196.680
5.	LSU	196.297
6.	UCLA	196.097
7.	Arizona State	196.030
8.	Nebraska	195.927
9.	West Virginia	195.497
10.	Florida	195.485
11.	Utah State	195.447
12.	Stanford	195.297
13.	BYU	195.272
14.	Ohio State	195.177
15.	Washington	195.192
16.	SE Missouri	195.092
17.	Denver	194.990
	Iowa State	194.990
19.	North Carolina State	194.550
20.	Oregon State	194.542
21.	Minnesota	194.530
22.	Michigan State	194.392
23.	Kentucky	194.335
24.	Massachusetts	194.255
25.	Towson State	194.252

Tennis

MINNESOTA TO PLAY FINAL HOME MATCH

AGAINST PENN STATE--Minnesota, 9-2 overall and 4-1 in the Big Ten, plays its final home match of the season Friday, April 4, against Penn State. The location and time of that match is yet to be determined. If the match is played outdoors at the 4th Street Courts, it will begin at 2 p.m. If the match is played indoors it will happen at the 98th Street Racquet Club in Bloomington, Minn. Match time is 6:30 p.m. Call the Diet Coke Gopher Sports Hot.line at 626-7828 for time and location information.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has won 80 percent of its singles matches during the dual meet season. At number one singles, newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)**, is undefeated during the dual meet season and has a 20-1 record.

The Gophers are playing with an extremely young lineup as three sophomores and three newcomers are currently in the top six. Juniors **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** and **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)**, who is just back from a shoulder injury, have also seen time in the lineup this season.

Sauska leads the team in wins with 20 followed by **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** with 16 and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)** with 13.

ABOUT PENN STATE--Penn State is 7-4 on the season and 0-4 in the Big Ten Conference after falling to Wisconsin, Ohio State, Northwestern and Indiana. Penn State is led by **Olga Novikova**, who is 20-4 on the season and plays #1 singles.

MINNESOTA ACHIEVES HIGHEST NATIONAL RANKING EVER--Minnesota moved up from #38 to #28 in the latest national rankings. It is the highest Minnesota has ever been ranked in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings.

SAUSKA MOVES UP TO #40--Newcomer Nora Sauska has moved up to #40 in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher **Tiffany Gates** was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

LINEUP CHANGES--The Gophers are changing their lineup once again as **Jenni Svehla** is back from an injury and should enter the singles lineup once again. **Nora Sauska**, **Alice Rangsithienchai**, **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** are the only Gophers to play in all 11 matches.

GOPHER REWIND--Minnesota lost to **BYU-Hawaii**, 4-0, last week during its spring training trip. **BYU-Hawaii** swept the doubles matches and then won three singles matches before the match was called due to rain.

MINNESOTA SINGLES PLAY DOMINATES OF LATE--The singles play of the Gophers has been fantastic this spring as they have lost only 13 singles matches. The Gophers singles record is currently 50-13 (.805) for the dual meet season.

DOUBLES IS STRUGGLING--Minnesota had been undefeated (15-0) in doubles until getting swept by **Illinois** February 16. Minnesota then lost the doubles point to **Iowa**, **Maryland**, **BYU-Hawaii** and **Indiana**. Head coach **Martin Novak** is going to experiment further with the doubles lineup against **Penn State** this weekend.

UP NEXT--Minnesota is on the road for the final two months of the season starting the stretch with matches at **Michigan** and **Michigan State**. The Gophers play **Michigan** Saturday, April 12, at 10 a.m., followed by the **Spartans** Sunday, April 13, at 10 a.m.

Golf

GOLFERS COMPETE AT INDIANA INVITATIONAL--

The 17th-ranked University of Minnesota's women's golf team competes Saturday and Sunday, April 5-6, at the **Indiana Invitational** in **Bloomington, Ind.** The tournament will be played on the 5,800-yard par 73 **IU Golf Course**, with 7:30 a.m. (CST) shotgun starts both days.

The 17-team field consists of **Indiana**, **Missouri**, **Northwestern**, **Notre Dame**, **Ohio University**, **Purdue**, **Iowa**, **Wisconsin**, **Michigan State**, **Michigan**, **Illinois**, **Ohio State**, **Minnesota**, **Illinois**, **Eastern Michigan**, **Northern Illinois** and **Bowling Green**.

GOPHER LINE-UP - Minnesota's five-player line-up in order, is:

junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)**;
senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVERS FALLS, WI)**;
Senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)**;
sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)**;
junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI)**.

Track and Field

MINNESOTA SENDS FOUR TO TEXAS RELAYS--TINA McDONALD (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST), DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL), NICOLE CHIMKO (ALDERSYDE, ALBERTA/FOOTHILLS COMPOSITE) and APASHA BLOCKER (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT) will travel to the Texas Relays on Friday.

GOPHER REWIND — Dani Parkos provisionally qualified in two events and Nicole Chimko in one at the Raleigh Relays in Raleigh, N.C. last weekend. Parkos won the discus with a throw of 161-5 and took second in the shot put with 48-1 1/4. Chimko set her mark in the javelin with a throw of 156-11, the fifth-best Minnesota throw ever. Tina McDonald set a personal best in the shot put with 46-9, good for seventh place all-time. NATALIE SMITH (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL) ranks sixth all-time for Minnesota in the triple jump after her jump of 37-10 1/2. CHANTEAU WHITE (ALLEN, TX/ALLEN/CENTRAL STATE) moved into seventh place all-time in both the 100-meter dash and 100-meter hurdles.

Minnesota finishers —

100-meter dash (prelims): Chanteau White :12.38; Kim Heath :12.64
 400-meter dash: 42. Shellie Braggs :58.98; 49. Kristie Stiles :59.52
 3000-meter run: 16. Anna Gullingsrud 10:17.40; 21. Andrea Lentz 10:25.33
 5000-meter run: 32. Kari Thompson 17:48.24
 4x400-meter relay: 11. Minnesota 3:54.20
 4x800-meter relay: 12. Minnesota 9:36.15
 4x1500-meter relay: 12. Minnesota 19:40.76
 100-meter hurdles (prelims): Chanteau White :14.86; Yvette White :14.97; Apasha Blocker :15.74
 400-meter hurdles: 20. Yvette White 1:05.10
 Triple Jump: 16. Natalie Smith, 37-10 1/2 (11.54)
 Shot Put: 2. Dani Parkos 48-1 1/4 (14.66) (provisional qualifier); 3. Tina McDonald 46-9 (14.25); 19. Apasha Blocker 40-4 1/4 (12.30)
 Javelin: 3. Nicole Chimko 156-11 (47.84) (provisional qualifier)
 Discus: 1. Dani Parkos 161-5 (49.20) (provisional qualifier)

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of Mar 31, 1997)
 (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 21-9-0 Home 0-1-0 Away: 5-4-0 Neutral: 16-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Lara Severson.....	.500	19-0	10	8	5	0	0	0	2	5	.500	0	0	1	0	.500	0	0	2-2	1	0	0	1.000
Laura Peters.....	.421	28-25	57	13	24	0	0	0	2	24	.421	10	0	7	0	.507	0	8	12-12	47	41	4	.957
Amber Hegland.....	.419	30-30	93	19	39	3	0	1	25	45	.484	16	1	6	0	.509	0	0	2-4	20	14	0	1.000
Rachel Nelson.....	.415	30-30	106	26	44	2	1	0	13	48	.453	10	0	15	0	.466	0	2	16-19	28	1	2	.935
Chantell Jernell....	.375	10-1	8	4	3	0	0	0	2	3	.375	0	1	2	0	.444	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Steph Midthun.....	.356	24-23	73	15	26	2	0	0	5	28	.384	5	0	4	0	.397	0	5	4-4	17	0	2	.895
Ann Bartholmey.....	.319	30-30	72	9	23	4	0	0	10	27	.375	0	1	1	0	.329	0	6	1-2	129	16	1	.993
Shannon Beeler.....	.306	30-30	98	16	30	6	2	5	31	55	.561	11	0	7	0	.373	1	0	3-3	41	71	7	.941
Jodi Halvorson.....	.293	29-29	75	7	22	1	0	0	7	23	.307	6	0	5	0	.346	0	3	0-1	11	81	5	.948
Jennifer Fox.....	.259	20-4	27	4	7	3	0	0	8	10	.370	1	0	1	0	.286	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Tracy Carey.....	.253	29-29	83	9	21	5	2	2	11	36	.434	9	0	11	0	.326	0	2	0-0	230	11	3	.988
Dana Ballard.....	.194	25-20	62	8	12	3	0	1	10	18	.290	6	3	9	0	.296	0	0	2-4	20	0	0	1.000
Wendy Logue.....	.182	4-4	11	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.182	0	0	3	0	.182	0	0	0-0	12	24	1	.973
Renee Sbrocco.....	.157	24-17	51	8	8	1	0	0	4	9	.176	2	1	5	0	.204	0	2	1-1	9	1	0	1.000
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	9-0	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.250	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Bauer.....	.000	1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
Michelle Bennett....	.000	18-0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-2	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.319	30-30	835	152	266	30	5	9	132	333	.399	78	7	82	0	.381	1	29	46-56	571	284	25	.972
Opponents.....	.212	30-30	702	58	149	18	7	7	49	202	.288	28	3	114	0	.245	1	22	18-29	575	294	46	.950

LOB - Team (224), Opp (128). DPs turned - Team (3), Opp (5). IBB - Team (1), T. Carey 1, Opp (2).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Jennifer Bauer.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	3.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	14	.100	0	0	0	0	0
Steph Klaviter.....	1.24	9-3	15	13	7	3/1	0	73.2	65	24	13	10	41	6	2	1	302	.232	2	3	0	0	9
Wendy Logue.....	1.35	8-1	15	11	5	3/1	0	67.1	54	19	13	8	17	6	4	1	267	.216	2	0	0	1	8
Jennifer Johnson....	1.96	4-5	14	6	2	1/2	4	46.1	29	15	13	6	54	6	1	5	173	.179	0	0	0	0	5
Totals.....	1.43	21-9	30	30	14	10/3	4	190.1	149	58	39	28	114	18	7	7	756	.212	4	3	0	1	22
Opponents.....	4.35	9-21	30	30	20	2/0	1	191.2	266	152	119	78	82	30	5	9	950	.319	9	7	0	1	29

PB - Team (2), A Bartholmey 2, Opp (10). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (18-27), S. Klaviter (7-15), W. Logue (9-10), J. Johnson (2-4).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Game Results for MINNESOTA (as of Mar 31, 1997)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend Time
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Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 11-1	11	15	0/	1	4	1	5	1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 1-0)	50
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 17-0	17	16	0/	0	3	3	5	2- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 1-0)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Baylor	0-1 L	0	7	1/	1	3	2	7	2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (L 1-1)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Texas A&M	W 4-3	4	9	3/	3	5	3* (8)	3- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 2-0)	50	
Feb 15, 1997	vs Stephen F. Austin	3-6 L	3	9	4/	6	9	0	7	3- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (L 2-1)	50
Feb 16, 1997	vs Louisiana Tech	W 2-0	2	6	0/	0	3	2	7	4- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 1-0)	50
Feb 16, 1997	at Texas-Arlington	W 2-0	2	7	0/	0	3	1	7	5- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 3-1)	50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 5-2	5	9	0/	2	8	2	7	6- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 4-1)	50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 6-0	6	11	1/	0	3	1	7	7- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 2-1)	50
Feb 21, 1997	vs Maryland	W 1-0	1	2	0/	0	2	1	6	8- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 5-1)	50
Feb 21, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 4-0	4	10	0/	0	3	2	5	9- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 3-1)	50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Robert Morris	W 15-1	15	14	1/	1	6	1	4	10- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 4-1)	50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Temple	W 9-0	9	12	0/	0	1	2	5	11- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 2-0)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Ohio	W 4-0	4	11	1/	0	3	0	7	12- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 6-1)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Illinois-Chicago	W 3-1	3	10	0/	1	3	0	7	13- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 3-0)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 8-0	8	10	1/	0	3	3	5	14- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 5-1)	50
Feb 27, 1997	vs New Mexico	W 4-2	4	7	2/	2	4	4	7	15- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 6-1)	50
Feb 27, 1997	vs Baylor	4-5 L	4	9	1/	5	11	0 (8)	15- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 3-1)	50	
Feb 28, 1997	vs Wichita State	W 6-2	6	8	0/	2	6	2	7	16- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 7-1)	50
Feb 28, 1997	at New Mexico State	0-2 L	0	3	0/	2	3	2	7	16- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 3-2)	50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Furman	W 8-1	8	12	1/	1	3	0	7	17- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 8-1)	50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Ohio State	2-4 L	2	8	1/	4	9	2	7	17- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (L 8-2)	50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Loyola	W 8-0	8	8	0/	0	1	2	6	18- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 7-1)	50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Texas Tech	W 7-4	7	14	0/	4	8	0	7	19- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 4-2)	50
Mar 24, 1997	at Georgia Tech	W 5-1	5	8	1/	1	5	1	7	20- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 8-1)	30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	W 5-1	5	10	1/	1	4	2 (8)	21- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 9-2)	30	
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	2-4 L	2	4	1/	4	6	1	7	21- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-3)	30
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	1-3 L	1	3	1/	3	4	3	7	21- 7- 0	0- 1- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-4)	80
*Mar 29, 1997	Michigan State	4-11 L	4	9	3/	11	15	2	7	21- 8- 0	0- 2- 0	S. Klaviter (L 9-3)	105
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	2-3 L	2	5	1/	3	8	1	7	21- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-5)	105

*Conference game

#Tournament game

() extra inning game

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS RESULTS

Overall: 18-5 Dual: 3-3 Invites: 3-0 Home: 12-2 Away: 6-3 Big Ten: 9-2 Top 25: 4-3

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/21--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
#20 UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- OSU/IL	194.500		48.150		48.650		48.475		49.225	
Ohio State		192.225		48.475		47.000		48.375		48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri	193.775		49.125		48.775		46.600		49.275	
Missouri		192.925		48.600		47.250		48.625		48.450
Eastern Michigan		191.850		48.050		48.150		47.325		48.325
Iowa		189.800		47.775		48.400		45.900		47.725
3/14--#14 Iowa State	194.850	194.725	48.900	48.575	48.925	48.250	47.800	48.875	49.225	49.025
3/22--Big Ten Champ.	196.350		49.075		49.000		49.300		48.975	
Michigan		197.150		49.500		49.300		48.875		49.475
Ohio State		195.825		48.975		49.125		48.875		48.850
Michigan State		195.475		49.025		48.125		49.300		49.025
Penn State		194.300		48.600		48.775		48.700		48.225
Illinois		194.075		48.450		48.250		48.750		48.625
Iowa		193.725		48.075		48.350		48.550		48.750
Raw Average:	193.836									
RQS*:	194.531									

*The regional qualifying score (RQS) is based on a team's six best regular season meet scores, of which two must be home and two away. To obtain the RQS, the top two home, top two away and next two best scores are identified. The high and low scores are dropped and the remaining four are averaged for the RQS. Seven teams qualify for the regional.

1997 INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.925*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.875	Three times (Last Big Ten Championships 3/22)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.875	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.950*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Judith Cavazos	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)

TEAM VAULT	49.125*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS	49.000	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM	49.300*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE	49.275**	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE	196.350*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)

*-school record

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 9-2 Big Ten: 4-1 Home: 6-1 Away: 2-1 Neutral: 1-0
 Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State	W	6-1
3/9	Indiana	L	4-3
3/28	BYU-Hawaii	L	4-0
4/4	Penn State		
4/12	at Michigan		
4/13	at Michigan State		
4/19	at Northwestern		
4/20	at Wisconsin		
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	5-2			6-4	3-2	13-8	.619
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	1-0	0-6		1-7	.125
Jana Hrdinova				1-0	7-1		6-4	5-0	14-5	.737
Alice Rangsithienchai		9-2					7-3	4-1	16-5	.762
Nora Sauska	10-0						10-1	5-0	20-1	.952
Kim Simonsen			3-2	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	5-0	14-6	.700
Jenni Svehla			1-1				5-6		6-7	.461
Helen Wang						6-2	7-4	3-2	13-6	.684
Totals							47-31	25-5	97-45	.683

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins	0-1			4-3		4-4	.500
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-2		1-4	6-5	.545
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-2	3-2		3-2	5-4	.555
				13-13	7-8	33-26	.559

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters

1. Chanteau White (a) (trials)	:12.38
2. Kim Heath (a) (trials)	:12.64

400 meters

1. Shellie Braggs (a)	:58.98
2. Kristie Stiles (a)	:59.52

3000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40
2. Andrea Lentz (a)	10:25.33

5000 meters

1. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24
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4x400-meter Relay

1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
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4x800-meter Relay

1. Haronoja, Kleindl, Stiles, Zweig (a)	9:36.15
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4x1500-meter Relay

1. Lentz, Haronoja, Kleindl, Zweig (a)	19:40.76
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100-meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (a)	:14.86
2. Yvette White (a)	:14.97
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	:15.74

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (a)	1:05.10
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Triple Jump

1. Natalie Smith (a)	37-10 1/2 (11.54)
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Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (a) *	48-1 1/4 (14.66)
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Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11 (47.84)
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Discus

1. Dani Parkos (a) *	161-5 (49.20)
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* NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, NC)



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, April 9	
SB hosts Northern Iowa	2 p.m.
(at the Rice St. Dome)	
Saturday, April 12	
SB hosts Penn State	1 p.m.
TR at Missouri Invitational	
TN at Michigan	9 a.m.
Sunday, April 13	
SB Penn State	12 noon
TN at Michigan State	9 a.m.

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Gymnasts prepare for NCAA National Championships
- Softball game vs. Iowa State rescheduled and Northern Iowa game moved to Rice Street Dome in St. Paul
- #14 Softball continues homestand
- #36 Tennis faces tough challenges at Michigan and Michigan State

Last Week's Highlights

- Gymnastics qualifies for national championships
- Softball wins four games, improves to 25-9
- Nelson and Johnson named Big Ten Softball Players of the Week
- Golf places fourth at Indiana Invitational

Announcements

INNER CIRCLE BREAKFAST APRIL 15--The final Inner Circle breakfast of the season is Tuesday, April 15, at the Radisson Metrodome hotel on Washington Avenue. The program begins at 7:30 a.m. with Kathy Wurzer of KXTA-2 and WCCO Radio serving as emcee for the event. Featured speakers include golf coach Kathy Williams and a softball student-athlete.

MS. GOPHER GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED--The 1997 Ms. Gopher Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Friday, May 16, at the Les Bolstad Golf Course. The shotgun start is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. The cost of tournament is \$125 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch, and prizes, with all proceeds benefiting the Patty Berg Scholarship Fund. For more information call 624-6587.

Gymnastics

MINNESOTA QUALIFIES FOR NCAA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS--For the first time in the history of the program, the women's gymnastics squad has qualified for the team competition at the NCAA Championships, April 17-20, at the Stephen C. O'Connell Center in Gainesville, Fla. Minnesota earned a wildcard bid and enters the meet as the #11 seed after placing fourth at the 1997 NCAA Central Regional Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich., last Saturday.

The competition begins Thursday afternoon with the even seeds competing in session I. Minnesota will then compete with the odd seeds in session II Thursday evening. The top six teams advance to Friday's finals. The competition will conclude Saturday with the individual event championships.

THE NCAA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS--Minnesota was one of the 12 teams to qualify for the NCAA National Championships in Gainesville, Fla. The five winners of the Regional competitions automatically qualified for the championships, while the next seven teams with the highest scores receive at-large bids. Michigan, the winner of the Central Regional, is the #1 seed after scoring a 197.700. UCLA is the #2 seed, followed by Alabama, LSU and Florida. The following are the teams invited to the championships with their score from the Regional meet

1. Michigan	Central	197.700*
2. UCLA	West	196.300*
3. Alabama	Central	196.250
4. LSU	Central	196.175
5. Florida	Southeast	195.750*
6. Washington	West	195.725
7. Georgia	Southeast	195.725
8. Utah	Midwest	195.700*
9. Arizona State	Midwest	195.225
10. Nebraska	Midwest	195.150
11. Minnesota	Central	195.125
12. Penn State	Northeast	194.150*

* Automatic Qualifiers

MINNESOTA IN THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS--Minnesota has never qualified as a team for the NCAA Championships, but has sent individuals in the past. Former Gopher Marie Roethlisberger went to the NCAA Championships four times in her career and was crowned the uneven bars champion in 1990.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--It has been a record-setting year for Minnesota in 1997 as the Gophers advance to the NCAA Championships for the first time in school history. Every team record and three of four individual marks have been set this season. Minnesota set a school record of 196.300 at the Big Ten Championships and then recorded its second-highest team score of 195.125 at NCAA Central Regionals last week.

The Gophers have a specialized team with only one all-

around competing for them in JUDITH CAVAZOS (MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANADEL NORESTE). Minnesota then spreads its lineup of two seniors, six juniors, two sophomores and four newcomers over the four apparatus with only MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE) competing on more than two events. KIM SVEUM (MINTO, ND/MINOT) and STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR) lead Minnesota on the vault, while school record holder KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG) leads the charge on the bars. Kneable is the defending Big Ten Champion on the beam and CATHY KEYSER (PLYMOUTH, MN/AUSTRALIAN INST. OF SPORT) scored a 9.925 last season on the event. The floor exercise is Minnesota's strongest event as a team as they are ranked #9 in the nation and feature four gymnasts who consistently score 9.85 or higher, including Vandersall and Cavazos who share the school record in the event at 9.95.

HEAD COACH JIM STEPHENSON--Head coach Jim Stephenson is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota gymnastics program. Stephenson was named 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year and was the Big Ten co-coach of the Year in 1995. His career record with the Gophers is 71-74 after leading Minnesota to a 21-8 record this season.

Before coming to Minnesota, Stephenson was an assistant coach at Utah where he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES--Trina Tinti begins her fifth season as the first assistant coach for the Gophers, while Meg Stephenson begins her third season as the second assistant after serving for two years as a volunteer coach.

INJURY REPORT--Newcomers KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/GATEWAY) and Judith Cavazos are both recovering from injuries. Cavazos suffered a sprained ankle at the Regional meet. She is receiving treatments on the injury and is expected back for the NCAA meet. Selinger is recovering from a deep shoulder bruise after falling out of her bedroom loft. Selinger was not supposed to compete at the Regional meet, but filled in for the injured Cavazos and scored a 9.70 on the vault.

THE CENTRAL REGIONALS IN REVIEW--Despite an night-ending injury after the second rotation to Judith Cavazos, Minnesota still recorded its second-highest score in school history at 195.125 to finish fourth at the NCAA Central Regional Championships in front of 4,072 fans in Ann Arbor, Mich. Michigan scored 197.700 to win the crown defeating defending national champion Alabama (196.250). LSU was third at 196.175, while Minnesota was fourth. Michigan State, Iowa State and SE Missouri closed out the final three spots, respectively.

Individually, Alabama's Meredith Willard was the all-around champion with a 39.625. Michigan's Heather Kabnick was second in the all-around with a 39.575, followed by Stephanie Hyett of LSU and Beth Amelkovich of Michigan at 39.375.

Minnesota opened the competition on the beam without two of its top competitors. Kristi Selinger and CAMI PHILLIPPI

(ROSEVILLE, MN/AREA) were unable to compete for the Gophers as Selinger injured her shoulder earlier in the week and Phillippi did not make the trip. The Gophers scored a 48.125 after having to count a fall as Batza and Cavazos both had problems on the beam. Minnesota was led by Mindy Knaeble with a 9.75. Cathy Keyser and LACEY PURKAT (ANNANDALE, VA/W.T. WOODSON) both recorded 9.725's.

After having a bye, Minnesota was on the floor for the third rotation. The Gophers, who are ranked #9 in the nation on the event, scored 49.075, despite having to count a no score after Cavazos sprained her ankle on her second tumbling pass and could not complete her routine. Knaeble once again led the Gophers with a 9.875. Kristen Vandersall had a 9.85, while JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI) recorded a 9.825.

Cavazos, Minnesota's only all-around competitor and school record holder in the event, was done for the evening with the ankle sprain causing the Gophers to do some lineup shuffling before the fifth and sixth rotations—the vault and the bars. Cavazos had three scores higher than 9.80 on the vault, including a 9.825 at the Big Ten Championships two weeks ago. She also was Minnesota's leader on the bars this season with a team-high season average of 9.754. She had recorded 9.875's in her last three meets.

On the vault, Minnesota scored a 49.000, the third highest score in Minnesota history, despite not having Cavazos. Selinger stepped in for Cavazos and scored a 9.70, while MELISSA CHANG (BLUE SPRINGS, MO/BLUE SPRINGS) recorded a 9.725 on her first-ever competitive vault. Kim Sveum had a 9.90 to lead Minnesota, followed by a 9.85 by Knaeble and a 9.825 by Batza.

Chang, filling in for Cavazos, started the bars rotation with 9.675. Minnesota then had its next five gymnasts record a 9.75 or higher led by Vandersall with a 9.875, tying her season high. As a team, Minnesota recorded a 48.975, the third highest score in school history.

Team results: 1. Michigan 197.70 2. Alabama 196.250 3. LSU 196.175, 4. Minnesota 195.125, 5. Michigan State, 194.700; 6. Iowa State 194.475; 7. SE Missouri 193.450

All-Around: 1. Meredith Willard, Alabama, 39.625; 2. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 39.575; 3. Stephanie Hyett, LSU, Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, 39.375, 5. Amy McClosky, LSU, 39.325; 6. Colleen Barger, LSU, Kim Mazza, Iowa State, 39.150.

Balance Beam: 1. Meredith Willard, Alabama, 9.925; 2. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.90; 3. Gwen Spidle, Alabama, Andrea McDonald, Michigan, Amy McClosky, Stephanie Hyett, 9.875. Other Minnesota scores: Stacey Batza, 9.125; Mindy Myhre, 9.60; Judith Cavazos, 9.325; Cathy Keyser, 9.725; Lacey Purkat, 9.725; Mindy Knaeble, 9.75.

Uneven Bars: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.975; 2. Polly Kiker, Michigan State, 9.925; 3. Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, Stephanie Woods, Alabama, 9.90; 5. Kristen Vandersall, Minnesota, Kristen Duff, Michigan, Meredith Willard, Alabama, 9.875. Other Minnesota scores: Melissa Chang 9.675; Jenny Mazzone 9.75; Cathy Keyser 9.825; Molly Umland 9.775;

Vault: 1. Lisa Simes, Michigan, Stephanie Hyett, LSU, 9.95; 3. Kelli Smith, LSU, Merritt Booth, Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.925; 6. Kim Sveum, Minnesota, Kate Farrington, SE Missouri, Kristen Peugeot, Michigan State, Beth Amelkovich, Michigan, Heather Kabnick, Michigan, Meredith Willard, Alabama, 9.90. Other Minnesota scores: Melissa Chang 9.725; Molly Umland 9.675; Kristi Selinger 9.70; Mindy Knaeble 9.85; Stacey Batza 9.825.

Floor Exercise: 1. Sarah Cain, Michigan, 9.975; 2. Hope Spidle, Alabama, Meredith Willard, Alabama, Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.925; 5. Shay Murphy, Alabama, Stephanie Booth, Alabama, Lisa Simes, Michigan, Kim Mazza, Iowa State, 9.90. Other Minnesota scores: Mindy Myhre, 9.70; Kim Sveum, 9.775; Judith Cavazos, No Score; Jonda Hammons, 9.825; Kristen Vandersall, 9.85; Mindy Knaeble, 9.875.

MINNESOTA SCORES 195.125 AT CENTRAL REGIONALS--Minnesota's score of 195.125 at the Central Regionals was the second-highest score in school history despite not having Judith Cavazos for two events. Minnesota recorded its third-highest score in school history on the both the vault and the uneven bars with a 49.000 on the vault and a 48.975 on the bars.

VANDERSALL AND SVEUM CRACK TOP SIX AT REGIONALS--With a 9.875 on the bars, Kristen Vandersall was the Gophers' highest individual finisher tying for fifth-place. Kim Sveum was tied for sixth on the vault with a 9.90.

OTHER INDIVIDUAL BESTS AT REGIONALS--Minnesota set a number of career bests at the regional meet including: Mindy Knaeble (9.85, vault); Melissa Chang (9.675, bars; 9.725, vault) and Jenny Mazzone (9.75, bars).

MINNESOTA SETS TEAM RECORD AT BIG TEN MEET -- Minnesota set a school team record with a 196.350 to finish second at the Big Ten Championships three weeks ago. The 196.350 shattered the old record of 195.000 set against Utah earlier this season.

KNAEBLE WINS BIG TEN BEAM TITLE--Junior Mindy Knaeble became Minnesota's first Big Ten Champion on the beam since Kathy Ness in 1991. Knaeble posted a 9.95 on the event to tie Michigan's Beth Amelkovich and Lisa Simes for the title. Knaeble broke the Minnesota record of 9.925 set by Cathy Keyser last season and tied the highest score ever recorded in Minnesota school history. For her efforts, Knaeble earned all-Big Ten honors, the second of her career. She was named all-Big Ten in 1996 after winning a share of the floor exercise title.

STEPHENSON NAMED BIG TEN COACH OF THE YEAR--Minnesota's Jim Stephenson was named the 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year. It was the second time in three years Stephenson won the honor. Stephenson led Minnesota to a second-place finish at the Big Ten meet as Minnesota posted its highest score in history. In 1995, Stephenson shared the same award with Michigan's Bev Plocki.

MORE RECORDS BROKEN AT BIG TEN'S--Minnesota had an outstanding Big Ten meet as it set a new team and beam record. Minnesota scored a 196.350 breaking its old record of 195.000 set against Utah earlier this season. Minnesota had struggled all year on the beam but received outstanding performances from Mindy Knaeble, Kristi Selinger, Cami Phillippi, Cathy Keyser, Lacey Purkat and Judith Cavazos to set a new record of 49.300 breaking the old record of 48.975 set at South-east Missouri in 1996. Selinger recorded a career-high of 9.875, tying for her for #3 in Minnesota history, in only her second time competing in the event. Purkat also set a career-high with a 9.875, followed by Phillippi who posted a 9.775. Phillippi had only competed on the beam one time prior to the Big Ten meet and had a 9.175. Keyser remained steady as she had a 9.825.

CAVAZOS AND VANDERSALL SHARE NEW FLOOR RECORD -- The Minnesota school record on floor exercise was broken not once, but twice in the Gophers' win over Iowa State on March 14. Judith Cavazos tallied a 9.950 to break Mindy Knaeble's former record of 9.925. One performance later, senior KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ ARMSTRONG) equaled Cavazos' 9.950 to grab her share of the record.

KNAEBLE SOLID ON THE FLOOR-- In 11 of 12 Minnesota meets this season, junior Mindy Knaeble has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. Knaeble, who is ranked 15th in the nation in the event, had scored a 9.600 or better in her last 22 performances until the meet against Iowa State on March 14, when a fall in her routine landed her a score of 9.475. Knaeble holds nine of the top ten scores in Gopher floor exercise history.

MORE ON THE FLOOR -- Mindy Knaeble isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked ninth in the nation on the floor exercise and has recorded eight of the top ten scores in school history in the event so far this season, including the tie of the school record with a team score of 49.275 against Missouri on March 9. Competing with the same rotation on floor throughout '97, all six Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including the school record shared by Judith Cavazos and Kristen Vandersall. Knaeble, the previous record holder with a 9.925, and senior Jonda Hammons with a 9.900 add explosive scoring punch to the Gophers' floor team. Knaeble, Vandersall, Cavazos and Hammons have combined to produce 29 of Minnesota's 30 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only Lori Kindler, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS -- In 12 meets this season, Gopher newcomer Judith Cavazos has earned five all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did against #2 Utah. Competing against Utah's Traci Sommer and Denise Jones, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, Cavazos broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. Sommer scored 39.1 and Jones had 39.025. Cavazos also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on

the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. Cavazos has recorded five of the top ten all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Illinois, Ohio State, Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of Minnesota.

SVEUM, BATZA LEAD VAULT TEAM — Juniors Kim Sveum and Stacey Batza have a lot in common, including the Minnesota school record on vault. Sveum set the record twice last season, posting scores of 9.9. Batza tied the record against UMass before Sveum set the new standard with a 9.925 on March 9 at Missouri. Together the pair owns 13 of the top 15 vault scores in school history.

KEYSER ANOTHER ONE TO WATCH — Two-time all-Big Ten performer Cathy Keyser has been relatively quiet in 1997. Coming off third-place finishes on bars and beam at last year's Big Ten Championships, Keyser struggled on both events early in '97 but is making a strong comeback. On bars, Keyser scored a 9.825 at the NCAA Regional meet, improving her streak to eight meets that she's scored a 9.7 or higher. On beam, Keyser has been a stabilizing force of late, scoring 9.7 or better in seven of her last eight meets, including a team season-best of 9.875 against Ohio State / Illinois. She posted a 9.825 at the Big Ten Championships and a 9.725 at the NCAA Central Regionals.

GOPHERS IN THE NATIONAL RANKINGS — Minnesota is nationally-ranked in three events, helping the Gophers to their overall team ranking of #21. The Gophers' floor exercise squad leads the way with a #8 ranking, followed by the uneven bars contingent ranked #16. After scoring the top five team scores in Gopher history, the vault team has climbed to #22 in the national ranking.

GOPHERS RANKED 21st IN THE COUNTRY — The Gophers are ranked 21st in the country, based on total season average score. Minnesota has an average of 194.530.

The national rankings:

1.	Georgia	197.927
2.	Michigan	196.892
3.	Utah	196.890
4.	Alabama	196.680
5.	LSU	196.297
6.	UCLA	196.097
7.	Arizona State	196.030
8.	Nebraska	195.927
9.	West Virginia	195.497
10.	Florida	195.485
11.	Utah State	195.447
12.	Stanford	195.297
13.	BYU	195.272
14.	Ohio State	195.177
15.	Washington	195.192
16.	SE Missouri	195.092
17.	Denver	194.990
	Iowa State	194.990
19.	North Carolina State	194.550
20.	Oregon State	194.542

21.	Minnesota	194.530
22.	Michigan State	194.392
23.	Kentucky	194.335
24.	Massachusetts	194.255
25.	Towson State	194.252

Golf

MINNESOTA TIES FOR FOURTH AT INDIANA INVITATIONAL--The Minnesota women's golf team tied for fourth-place with Iowa with a score of 649 at the Indiana Invitational in Bloomington, Ind., last weekend. Minnesota had rounds of 322 and 327 while the Haweyes' had scores of 326 and 323 for the tie. Ohio State was first at 623, followed by Indiana (624) and Missouri (642). The tournament was on the 6,134-yard, par 74 IU Golf Course.

The Gophers were led by junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)**, who tied for fifth-place at 154 after rounds of 75 and 79. Sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** and junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI)** tied for 31st with 36-hole totals of 165, with teammates senior **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)** was 39th with 167 and senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVERS FALLS, WI)** 51st with a 169. Ohio State's Jessica Luciuk was first with rounds of 78 and 73 for 151.

Swimming and Diving

GOPHER DIVERS QUALIFY FOR U.S. DIVING NATIONALS--Minnesota senior **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)** qualified for the United States Diving (USD) National Championships in 1- and 3-meter diving at the USD Zone Championships in Beaverton, Oregon. On the low board, Berg won the event with 431.35 points in a field of 40 divers. Only the top four competitors advance to the national championships. Gopher senior **CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)** was tenth at 380.25. On the 3-meter board, Berg was fourth with 393.30 points in a field of 39 divers and Hansen was 18th at 186.93. Berg and Hansen won the 3-meter synchronized diving event and the tower synchronized championship to advance to the nationals, April 15-20, at Auburn University.

Softball

BUSY WEEK FOR GOPHER SOFTBALL TEAM — The University of Minnesota softball team takes its 25-9 overall record (2-3 in the Big Ten) and a four-game winning streak into a busy week in which the Gophers will Northern Iowa and Penn State. Northern Iowa travels north to face the Gophers for a doubleheader on Wednesday, April 9, at the Rice and Arlington Sports Dome in St. Paul, at 2 p.m. Minnesota returns to Big Ten action on Saturday-Sunday, April 11-12, for a three game series with Penn State. Saturday's doubleheader gets underway at 1:00 p.m., while Sunday's single game will start at noon.

TUESDAY'S GAME AGAINST IOWA STATE RESCHEDULED--Because of weather, Tuesday's game against Iowa State has been tentatively rescheduled for Thursday, April 24, at the Bierman Softball Complex.

GOPHERS RANKED 11TH — The Gophers were ranked #14 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Defending national champion Arizona continued to hold the #1 position. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 15. Iowa leads the way ranked #6, followed by defending conference champion Michigan at #8, Michigan State at #11 and Minnesota at #14.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
C	14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B	21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
or	17	Tracy Carey	R/R	Jr.	Richfield, MN (Nebraska-Omaha)
2B	12	Laura Peters	L/R	Jr.	Cottage Grove, MN
3B	21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
or	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
SS	5	Shannon Beeler	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF	2	Steph Midthun	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF	1	Rachel Nelson	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
RF	6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)
or	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
DP	20	Jennifer Fox	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)
or	3	Dana Ballard	R/R	Fr.	Oak Park, IL (Fenwick)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
11	Jennifer Bauer	R/R	Sr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN— Minnesota head coach Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 180-151-1 (.544). Bernstein-O'Brien owns a Big Ten record of 70-67 (.511) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach Julie Standering is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while

Jennifer McGuinness is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

PAIR OF GOPHERS EARN BIG TEN HONORS — The Big Ten Conference named two Gophers as the recipients of its Player of the Week honors. Senior outfielder Rachel Nelson was named the Big Ten Player of the Week after hitting a .769 batting average with seven runs scored and nine RBI in four Minnesota victories last week. Nelson blasted 10 hits in 13 at bat, including a game-winning double versus Mankato State and a grand slam home run against Indiana. Jennifer Johnson paced the Gopher pitching staff last week with a 5-0 win over Mankato State and a 9-1 victory over Indiana. Johnson allowed two hits and struck out six batters in combining with Wendy Logue for the shutout win over Mankato State. She followed that performance with a complete-game four-hitter against Indiana to improve her record on the season to 6-5.

WHAT A WEEK — The answer is 39 points. The question is how much did Rachel Nelson improve her batting average in last week's action. Nelson went 10-13 in four games last week to improve her batting average from .415 at the beginning of the week to a team-high .454 by week's end.

KLAVITER TOPS PITCHING STAFF — Sophomore Steph Klaviter leads the Gopher pitching staff with 11 wins on the season. Klaviter owns a 11-3 record and a team-leading 1.31 ERA.

HEGLAND JOINS THE RECORD PARADE — Junior all-American Amber Hegland joined in on the record-breaking parade by setting the new career RBI record with 122. Hegland surpassed the old record of 117 by Gopher Hall of Famer Shelly Medernach (1976-79). Hegland, who has played at four positions in the field in '97 (right and left field, second base and third base), is also nearing the career record for doubles. She currently has 37 career two-baggers and need two more to tie the record of 39 set by Barb Drake (1984-87).

RECORD ROUND-TRIPPERS — Sophomore shortstop Shannon Beeler is tied for the Minnesota career home run record. Beeler belted her fourth and fifth homers of the season in the Troy Cox Invitational to give her 15 in her brief career as a Gopher. Beeler shares the record with current Minnesota assistant coach Jennifer McGuinness, who played for the Gophers from 1991-94.

NELSON'S HIT COUNT — All-America outfielder Rachel Nelson recorded her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over Robert Morris, during the Triangle Classic on Feb. 22, to set a new Minnesota career hits record. Nelson currently has 296 hits in her career.

CLIMBING THE CHARTS — Rachel Nelson's assault on the record books has now extended to the NCAA record book as well. Nelson is currently tied for seventh on the NCAA career hits list with 296 in her career. Arizona's Amy Chellevoid is the best all-time with 371 hits from 1992-95.

NCAA Career Hits	Years	Games	Hits	Avg.
1. Amy Chellevoid Arizona	1992-95	255	371	.415
2. Tiff Tootle South Carolina	1990-93	242	351	.432
3. Martha Noffsinger Fresno State	1987-90	291	327	.335
4. Michelle Minton Coastal Carolina	1991-94	199	308	.458
5. Dana Fulmer South Carolina	1992-95	268	304	.368
6. Denelle Hicks Campbell	1993-96	219	300	.446
T7. Rachel Nelson Minnesota	1994-	212	296	.398
Leigh Ross Toledo	1988-91	224	296	.398

THE SCOUTING REPORT —

Northern Iowa — The Panthers are 22-13 overall and have won 14 of their last 16 games, including the last six. Sophomore outfielder **Jody Dean** leads the team with a .400 batting average and 30 RBI. Older sister, junior **Jen Dean** is a perfect 52-for-52 in stolen bases during her career. Northern Iowa's pitching staff shares the workload as four Panther pitchers have thrown at least 44 innings this season. Newcomer **Heidi Fromherz** owns the best record of the group with a 6-2 mark and a 2.32 ERA.

Northern Iowa head coach **Meredith Bakley** is in her 19th season with the Panthers and sports a record of 539-426 at UNI. Bakley's 598 career coaching victories rank her ninth on the Division I coaching victories list.

The Series - Minnesota leads 12-6.

Penn State — Penn State enters the week with an overall record of 20-13, 1-5 in the Big Ten. The Nittany Lions opened their Big Ten season with five straight losses, three to Indiana and two Purdue. Penn State broke the streak with a 3-1 win over Purdue in their last outing. **Jen McIntyre**, third base, tops the Penn State batting lineup with a .360 average. Junior **Shannon Salsburg**, the team leader with 26 RBI, has been the toughest out in Big Ten action, leading the team with a .333 batting average. Four pitchers have thrown more than 45 innings. Newcomer **Jaci Kalp** is 8-4 from the mound with a 1.32 ERA.

Penn State head coach **Robin Petrini** is in her first season with the Nittany Lions.

The Series - Minnesota leads 17-4

GOPHER REWIND Games #31 - #34) — Overall Record: 25-9, 2-3 Big Ten

Game 31 — April 2 — Minneapolis, MN

Minnesota 5, Mankato State 0

Mankato State	000	000	0	0	4	4
Minnesota	100	112	x	5	7	1

W - Jennifer Johnson (5-5), L - Pam Stierlen HR - none

Notes: Jennifer Johnson and Wendy Logue teamed to pitch a four-hit shutout. Rachel Nelson was the only Gopher with more

than one hit, going 2-for-3 from the plate and knocking in two runs with a triple in the sixth inning.

Game 32 — April 2 — Minneapolis, MN

Minnesota 3, Mankato State 2

Mankato State	001	100	0	2	6	1
Minnesota	100	000	2	3	8	1

W - Steph Klaviter (10-3), L - Amy Slater, HR - none

Notes: The Gophers needed some bottom of the seventh inning heroics to pull out a 3-2 win over the upset-minded Mavericks. With Minnesota trailing 2-1 heading into the seventh, Renee Sbrocco singled to lead off the inning. Ann Bartholmey has hit by a pitch to join Sbrocco on the basepaths. Kate Schwartz replaced Bartholmey as a pinch runner. Lara Severson advanced the runners with a sacrifice bunt to set up Rachel Nelson for the game-winner. Nelson lined a double to the left centerfield gap sending Sbrocco and Schwartz home with the winning runs. Steph Klaviter went the distance, striking out seven.

Game 33 — April 5 — Minneapolis, MN

Minnesota 9, Indiana 1

Indiana	000	10		1	4	2
Minnesota	800	1x		9	7	0

W - Jennifer Johnson (6-5), L - Teresa Martinez; HR - Rachel Nelson (1), Renee Sbrocco (1), Meg Montgomery (9).

Notes: Two home runs in the bottom of the first inning paved the way for the victory. Renee Sbrocco belted her first homer of the year, a three-run shot to left field. Rachel Nelson made the most of her second plate appearance in the inning, sailing a grand slam round-tripper over the centerfield fence to give the Gophers an 8-0 lead after one. Indiana's Meg Montgomery spoiled the shutout with a solo home run in the fourth inning. Shannon Beeler doubled home Nelson in the bottom of that inning to take the lead back to eight, which put the eight-run rule into effect in the fifth inning. Nelson and Laura Peters both went 2-for-3 from the plate.

Game 34 — April 2 — Minneapolis, MN

Minnesota 12, Indiana 2

Indiana	101	00		2	4	3
Minnesota	130	35		12	16	3

W - Steph Klaviter (11-3), L - Jessica Creith HR - none

Notes: Steph Klaviter tossed a four-hitter while the Gopher bats continued to sizzle in smashing 16 hits in the 12-2 win. The eight-run rule went into effect for the second consecutive game. Rachel Nelson went 3-for-3 with four runs scored. Amber Hegland and Shannon Beeler each turned in 3-for-4 performances.

UP NEXT — Minnesota takes to the road in the upcoming week for games at Northwestern and Michigan. The Gophers play a doubleheader on Wednesday, April 16, before heading to Michigan for a three-game series on Saturday-Sunday, April 19-20.

Track and Field

UP NEXT--Minnesota will travel to Columbia, Mo., for the Missouri Invitational Saturday, April 12.

TWO GOPHERS PROVISIONALLY QUALIFY FOR NCAA'S -- A pair of Gopher throwers provisionally qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships while competing at the Texas Relays in Austin, TX, last weekend. Sophomore **Tina McDonald (Amherstburg, Ontario / General Amherst)** placed second with a throw of 47-10 in the shot put. Senior **Dani Parkos (Grand Forks, N.D. / Central)** placed third in the discus with a toss of 168-11.

Tennis

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO MICHIGAN AND MICHIGAN STATE--Minnesota, 9-3 overall and 4-2 in the Big Ten, tries to end a three-match losing streak as it travels to play at Michigan on Saturday, April 12, and at Michigan State on Sunday, April 13. Both match begin at 9 a.m. (CST).

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota has lost three matches in a row and is struggling of late, especially in doubles where they are inching ever closer to the .500 mark. Minnesota has lost the doubles point in each of its last five matches.

At number one singles, newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)**, is undefeated during the dual meet season and has a 21-1 record. Sauska has won 11 matches in a row and is nearing the Minnesota record of consecutive matches won at 14. Sauska is also closing on the single-season winning percentage record of .913 set by Patty Moran in 1975-76. Currently, Sauska is at .954 with her one loss on the season.

The Gophers are playing with an extremely young lineup as three sophomores and three newcomers are currently in the top six. Juniors **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** and **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)**, who is just back from a shoulder injury, have also seen time in the lineup this season.

Sauska leads the team in wins with 21 followed by **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** with 17 and newcomer **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/CENTRAL BUCKS WEST)** with 15.

ABOUT MICHIGAN--Michigan leads the Big Ten Conference standings with a perfect 7-0 conference record. Michigan is led by Sarah Cyganiak

ABOUT MICHIGAN STATE--Michigan State is at the bottom of the Big Ten standings with a 0-7 league mark.

MINNESOTA DROPS IN NATIONAL RANKINGS--After moving up from #38 to #28 in the national rankings, Minnesota

fell again to #36 after losing to Indiana three weeks ago. The #28-ranking was the highest Minnesota has ever been ranked in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings.

SAUSKA DROPS TO #46--Newcomer Nora Sauska dropped to #46 in the last Rolex Rankings. Sauska had moved up to #40 tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher **Tiffany Gates** was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

LINEUP CHANGES--The Gophers are changing their lineup on a regular basis as Jenni Svehla is back from an injury and playing in the #4 position. Nora Sauska, Alice Rangsithienchai, **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and **JANA HRDINOVA (PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC/STOUGHTON)** are the only Gophers to play in all 12 matches.

GOPHER REWIND--Penn State used a grueling three-set victory at the #6 singles position to complete its upset bid over the Minnesota, 4-3.

After the Nittany Lions opened the match by collecting the doubles point and capturing wins at the #4 and #5 singles spots, the Gophers' big guns in the top three singles positions garnered wins to tie the match at 3-3 and set up the dramatic finale.

Penn State's **Kim Bolduc** fought off a furious comeback by Minnesota's **Jana Hrdinova** to win the number-six singles match by a score of 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 and provide the Lions with the winning margin in the team score. **Hrdinova** faced a 5-3 deficit in the third set but came back to force the tie-breaker.

Gopher number-one singles player **Nora Sauska** defeated Penn State's **Olga Novkova** by scores of 6-3, 6-4 to improve her record at the number-one position to a perfect 11-0 on the season.

MINNESOTA SINGLES DOMINATES DURING SPRING--The singles play of the Gophers has been fantastic this spring as they have lost only 16 singles matches. The Gophers singles record is currently 50-16 (.757) for the dual meet season.

DOUBLES IS STRUGGLING--Minnesota had been undefeated (15-0) in doubles until getting swept by Illinois February 16. Minnesota then lost the doubles point to Iowa, Maryland, BYU-Hawaii, Penn State and Indiana. Head coach **Martin Novak** is going to experiment further with the doubles lineup against Michigan and Michigan State this weekend

UP NEXT--Minnesota is on the road for the final two months of the season and will travel to Northwestern and Wisconsin, April 19 and 20. Match time April 19 versus Northwestern is 10 a.m., and Sunday, April 20 against Wisconsin at 10 a.m.

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/21--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
#20 UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- OSU/IL	194.500		48.150		48.650		48.475		49.225	
Ohio State		192.225		48.475		47.000		48.375		48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri	193.775		49.125		48.775		46.600		49.275	
Missouri		192.925		48.600		47.250		48.625		48.450
Eastern Michigan		191.850		48.050		48.150		47.325		48.325
Iowa		189.800		47.775		48.400		45.900		47.725
3/14--#14 Iowa State	194.850	194.725	48.900	48.575	48.925	48.250	47.800	48.875	49.225	49.025
3/22--Big Ten Champ.	196.350		49.075		49.000		49.300		48.975	
Michigan		197.150		49.500		49.300		48.875		49.475
Ohio State		195.825		48.975		49.125		48.875		48.850
Michigan State		195.475		49.025		48.125		49.300		49.025
Penn State		194.300		48.600		48.775		48.700		48.225
Illinois		194.075		48.450		48.250		48.750		48.625
Iowa		193.725		48.075		48.350		48.550		48.750
4/5--NCAA Region	195.125		49.000		48.975		48.125		49.025	
Michigan		197.700		49.550		49.450		49.200		49.500
Alabama		196.250		49.175		48.525		49.025		49.525
LSU		196.175		49.275		49.000		49.225		48.675
Michigan State		194.700		48.975		48.150		48.625		48.950
Iowa State		194.475		48.325		48.375		48.725		49.050
SE Missouri		193.450		48.800		48.075		47.900		48.675

1997 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.925*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.875	Three times (Last at Big Ten's 3/22)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.875	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.950*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Judith Cavazos	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM VAULT		49.125*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		49.000	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		49.300*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.275**	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		196.350*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)

*-school record

** ties school record

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 05, 1997)
 (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

9-0 Home 1-1-0 Away: 8-4-0 Neutral: 16-4-0

	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
son.....	.454	34-34	119	33	54	3	2	1	22	64	.538	12	0	16	0	.504	0	2	19-23	31	1	3	.914
son.....	.417	21-1	12	8	5	0	0	0	2	5	.417	0	0	1	0	.417	0	1	2-2	1	0	0	1.000
rs.....	.412	32-29	68	17	28	0	0	0	2	28	.412	10	1	8	0	.494	0	8	16-16	50	47	4	.960
land.....	.410	34-34	105	21	43	4	0	1	29	50	.476	16	1	6	0	.488	1	0	2-4	20	22	1	.977
Jernell....	.375	10-1	8	4	3	0	0	0	2	3	.375	0	1	2	0	.444	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
thun.....	.346	28-27	81	17	28	2	0	0	5	30	.370	5	0	4	0	.384	0	7	5-5	25	0	2	.926
keeler.....	.327	34-34	110	18	36	8	2	5	35	63	.573	12	0	7	0	.390	1	0	3-3	47	76	9	.932
holme.....	.317	34-34	82	10	26	4	1	0	10	32	.390	0	2	1	0	.333	0	6	1-2	146	17	1	.994
worson.....	.284	32-32	81	8	23	1	0	0	7	24	.296	7	0	5	0	.341	0	3	0-1	28	83	5	.957
Fox.....	.265	23-6	34	5	9	3	0	0	10	12	.353	1	0	2	0	.286	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
rey.....	.253	30-29	83	9	21	5	2	2	12	36	.434	10	0	11	0	.333	0	2	0-0	230	11	3	.988
procco.....	.210	28-21	62	12	13	1	0	1	9	17	.274	3	2	5	0	.269	0	2	1-1	12	1	0	1.000
llard.....	.191	28-22	68	8	13	3	0	1	11	19	.279	6	3	9	0	.282	1	0	2-4	34	1	1	.972
ogue.....	.182	4-4	11	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.182	0	0	3	0	.182	0	0	0-0	12	27	1	.975
Hansmann....	.000	10-0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.222	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
r Bauer.....	.000	1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
le Bennett....	.000	21-0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-2	0	0	0	.000
chwartz.....	.000	4-0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
.....	.325	34-34	934	181	304	34	7	11	158	385	.412	84	10	85	0	.386	3	32	54-65	643	314	30	.970
ents.....	.211	34-34	793	63	167	18	7	8	54	223	.281	29	4	129	1	.242	2	23	19-30	639	327	56	.945

Team (244), Opp (146). DPs turned - Team (5), Opp (5). IBB - Team (1), T. Carey 1, Opp (2).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

er	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
lifer Bauer.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	3.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	14	.100	0	0	0	0	0
ph Klaviter.....	1.31	11-3	17	15	9	3/1	0	85.2	75	28	16	10	49	6	2	1	352	.229	2	4	0	1	9
dy Logue.....	1.33	8-1	16	11	5	3/2	0	68.1	56	19	13	8	17	6	4	1	272	.220	2	0	0	1	8
inifer Johnson....	1.71	6-5	16	8	3	1/3	4	57.1	35	16	14	7	61	6	1	6	213	.175	0	0	0	0	6
als.....	1.40	25-9	34	34	17	11/4	4	214.1	167	63	43	29	129	18	7	8	851	.211	4	4	0	2	23
ponents.....	4.57	9-25	34	34	22	2/0	1	213.0	304	181	139	84	85	34	7	11	1063	.325	10	10	0	3	32

B - Team (2), A Bartholmey 2, Opp (10). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (19-28), S. Klaviter (8-16), W. Logue (9-10), J. Johnson (2-4).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Game Results for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 05, 1997)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend Time
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 11-1	11	15	0/1	4	1	5	1-0-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 1-0)	50
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 17-0	17	16	0/0	3	3	5	2-0-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 1-0)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Baylor	0-1 L	0	7	1/1	3	2	7	2-1-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (L 1-1)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Texas A&M	W 4-3	4	9	3/3	5	3	(8)	3-1-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 2-0)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Stephen F. Austin	3-6 L	3	9	4/6	9	0	7	3-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (L 2-1)	50
Feb 16, 1997	vs Louisiana Tech	W 2-0	2	6	0/0	3	2	7	4-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 1-0)	50
Feb 16, 1997	at Texas-Arlington	W 2-0	2	7	0/0	3	1	7	5-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 3-1)	50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 5-2	5	9	0/2	8	2	7	6-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 4-1)	50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 6-0	6	11	1/0	3	1	7	7-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 2-1)	50
Feb 21, 1997	vs Maryland	W 1-0	1	2	0/0	2	1	6	8-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 5-1)	50
Feb 21, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 4-0	4	10	0/0	3	2	5	9-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 3-1)	50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Robert Morris	W 15-1	15	14	1/1	6	1	4	10-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 4-1)	50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Temple	W 9-0	9	12	0/0	1	2	5	11-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 2-0)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Ohio	W 4-0	4	11	1/0	3	0	7	12-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 6-1)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Illinois-Chicago	W 3-1	3	10	0/1	3	0	7	13-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 3-0)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 8-0	8	10	1/0	3	3	5	14-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 5-1)	50
Feb 27, 1997	vs New Mexico	W 4-2	4	7	2/2	4	4	7	15-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 6-1)	50
Feb 27, 1997	vs Baylor	4-5 L	4	9	1/5	11	0	(8)	15-3-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 3-1)	50
Feb 28, 1997	vs Wichita State	W 6-2	6	8	0/2	6	2	7	16-3-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 7-1)	50
Feb 28, 1997	at New Mexico State	0-2 L	0	3	0/2	3	2	7	16-4-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 3-2)	50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Furman	W 8-1	8	12	1/1	3	0	7	17-4-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 8-1)	50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Ohio State	2-4 L	2	8	1/4	9	2	7	17-5-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (L 8-2)	50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Loyola	W 8-0	8	8	0/0	1	2	6	18-5-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 7-1)	50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Texas Tech	W 7-4	7	14	0/4	8	0	7	19-5-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 4-2)	50
Mar 24, 1997	at Georgia Tech	W 5-1	5	8	1/1	5	1	7	20-5-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 8-1)	30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	W 5-1	5	10	1/1	4	2	(8)	21-5-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 9-2)	30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	2-4 L	2	4	1/4	6	1	7	21-6-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 4-3)	30
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	1-3 L	1	3	1/3	4	3	7	21-7-0	0-1-0	J. Johnson (L 4-4)	80
*Mar 29, 1997	Michigan State	4-11 L	4	9	3/11	15	2	7	21-8-0	0-2-0	S. Klaviter (L 9-3)	105
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	2-3 L	2	5	1/3	8	1	7	21-9-0	0-3-0	J. Johnson (L 4-5)	105
Apr 02, 1997	vs Mankato State	W 5-0	5	7	1/0	4	4	7	22-9-0	0-3-0	J. Johnson (W 5-5)	265 5:30
Apr 02, 1997	vs Mankato State	W 3-2	3	8	1/2	6	1	7	23-9-0	0-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 10-3)	265 1:35
*Apr 05, 1997	vs Indiana	W 9-1	9	7	0/1	4	2	5	24-9-0	1-3-0	J. Johnson (W 6-5)	382 1:15
*Apr 05, 1997	vs Indiana	W 12-2	12	16	3/2	4	3	5	25-9-0	2-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 11-3)	382 1:45

*Conference game
 †Tournament game
 () extra inning game

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Spring and Season Statistics

		Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Total	Place	Spring			Season			1996 Fall Results		
								Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Tournament	Score	Place
2/21-22/97	Midwest Classic	311	299			610	2nd/9 teams	610	2	305.00	4682	15	312.13	Minnesota Inv.	619	2nd/15 teams
3/10-11/97	Peggy Kirk Bell Inv.	328	327	342		997	9th/15 teams	1607	5	321.40	5679	18	315.50	Lady Northern	953	8th/15 teams
4/5-6/97	Indiana Invitational	322	327			649	4th/17 teams	2256	7	322.29	6328	20	316.40	Lady Badger	938	1st/11 teams
4/19-20/97	Iowa Invitational													Huskie Classic	634	1st/13 teams
5/2-4/97	Big Ten Champ.													Northwestern Inv.	928	1st of 6 teams
TBA	NCAA Regionals															

	Midwest Classic (72)*			Peggy Kirk Bell Inv. (72)				Indiana Invite (74)				Iowa Invitational ()				Spring		
	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou	79	80	159 t-27th													159	2	79.50
Donna Boom																		
Amy Dahle	79	76	155 t-19th	78	79	79	236 t-8th	75	79		154 t-5th					545	7	77.86
Glenna Gilbert																		
Carolyn Klecker	76	76	152 t-4th	84	86	84	254 t-44th	85	84		169 51st					575	7	82.14
Melanie Lepp	77	76	153 t-7th	82	80	88	250 36th	81	84		165 t-31st					568	7	81.14
Cathy Lindblad	80	73	153 t-7th	89	85	91	265 t-61st	87	80		167 t-39th					585	7	83.57
Emily Norby																		
Marcy Savage																		
Keri Sawvell	79	74	153 t-7th	84	83	92	259 t-53rd	81	84		165 t-31st					577	7	82.43
Jenny Trenda																		
Kristi Weichert																		

	Big Ten Championship (*)				NCAA Regionals (*)				NCAA Champ. (*)				Season			Fall			Career		
	R1	R2	R3	R4* Tot	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	R4 Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou													808	10	80.80	649	8	81.13	1415	17	83.24
Donna Boom													573	7	81.86	573	7	81.86	1163	14	83.07
Amy Dahle													1562	20	78.10	1017	13	78.23	6315	79	79.94
Glenna Gilbert													171	2	85.50	171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker													1598	20	79.90	1023	13	78.69	6746	83	81.28
Melanie Lepp													1370	17	80.59	802	10	80.20	3293	40	82.33
Cathy Lindblad													1617	20	80.85	1032	13	79.38	4196	51	82.27
Emily Norby													87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00
Marcy Savage													253	3	84.33	253	3	84.33	672	8	84.00
Keri Sawvell													1618	20	80.90	1041	13	80.08	3502	43	81.44
Jenny Trenda													487	6	81.17	487	6	81.17	2124	25	84.96
Kristi Weichert													246	3	82.00	246	3	82.00	419	5	83.80

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**RO rainout

University of Minnesota Women's Golf 1996-97 Player by Player Summary **

Player	Tourn- aments	Rounds/ Counted	Strokes	Avg	Best Rounds				Under			Top 5 Finishes	Top 10 Finishes	Top 20 Finishes
					18	36*	54	72	Par	Par	Wins			
Michelle Ballou	5	10/4	808	80.80	78	159	242		0	0	1	1	1	2
Donna Boom	3	7/2	573	81.86	79	165	239		0	0	0	0	0	0
Amy Dahle	8	20/18	1562	78.10	70	154	226		1	1	1	3	6	7
Glenna Gilbert	1	2/0	171	85.50	84	171			0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolyn Klecker	8	20/17	1598	79.90	73	152	232		0	0	0	4	4	5
Melanie Lepp	7	17/11	1370	80.59	76	153	238		0	0	0	1	3	4
Cathy Lindblad	8	20/12	1617	80.85	73	153	234		0	0	0	2	4	4
Emily Norby	1	1/0	87	87.00	87				0	0	0	0	0	0
Marcy Savage	2	3/0	253	84.33	82	164			0	0	0	0	0	0
Keri Sawvell	8	20/14	1618	80.90	74	151	240		0	1	0	1	3	4
Jenny Trendera	3	6/2	487	81.17	79	159	245		0	0	0	1	1	2
Kristi Weichert	2	3/0	246	82.00	78	164			0	0	0	1	1	1

Through 4/7/97

*Low 36-hole tournament score

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100Meters

1. Chanteau White (a) (trials)	:12.38
2. Kim Heath (a) (trials)	:12.64

400meters

1. Shellie Braggs (a)	:58.98
2. Kristie Stiles (a)	:59.52

3000meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40
2. Andrea Lentz (a)	10:25.33

5000meters

1. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24
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4x400-meter Relay

1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
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4x800-meter Relay

1. Haronoja, Kleindl, Stiles, Zweig (a)	9:36.15
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4x1500-meter Relay

1. Lentz, Haronoja, Kleindl, Zweig (a)	19:40.76
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100-meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (a)	:14.86
2. Yvette White (a)	:14.97
3. Apasha Blocker (a)	:15.74

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (a)	1:05.10
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Triple Jump

1. Natalie Smith (a)	37-10 1/2 (11.54)
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Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (a) *	48-1 1/4 (14.66)
2. Tina McDonald (b) *	47-10 (14.58)
3. Tina McDonald (a)	46-9 (14.25)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11 (47.84)
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Discus

1. Dani Parkos (b) *	168-11 (51.48)
2. Dani Parkos (a) *	161-5 (49.20)

* NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, NC)

(b) Texas Relays (Austin, TX)

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 9-3

Big Ten: 4-2

Home: 6-2

Away: 2-1

Neutral: 1-0

Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State	W	6-1
3/9	Indiana	L	4-3
3/28	BYU-Hawaii	L	4-0
4/4	Penn State	L	4-3
4/12	at Michigan		
4/13	at Michigan State		
4/19	at Northwestern		
4/20	at Wisconsin		
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S TENNIS STATS

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	5-2	0-1		6-4	3-3	13-9	.590
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	1-0	0-6		1-7	.125
Jana Hrdinova				1-0	7-1	0-1	6-4	5-1	14-6	.700
Alice Rangsithienchai		10-2					7-3	4-1	17-5	.772
Nora Sauska	11-0						10-1	6-0	21-1	.954
Kim Simonsen			4-2	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	6-0	15-6	.714
Jenni Svehla			1-1	0-1			5-6	0-1	6-8	.428
Helen Wang						6-2	7-4	3-2	13-6	.684
Totals							47-31	28-8	100-48	.675

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins	0-2			4-3	0-1	4-5	.444
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-2		1-4	6-5	.545
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-2	3-2		3-2	5-4	.555
Hrdinova/Simonsen		0-1			0-1	0-1	.000
Sauska/Rangsithienchai			1-0		1-0	1-0	1.000
				13-13	7-10	33-29	.532



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, April 16
SB at Northwestern (2) 3 p.m.
(Evanston, IL)

Thursday, April 17
GY at NCAA Championships 6 p.m.
(Gainesville, FL)

Friday, April 18
GY at NCAA Championships 6 p.m.
(Gainesville, FL)
TR at Mt. Sac Relays
(Walnut, CA)
TR at St. Olaf Invitational
(Northfield, MN)

Saturday, April 19
SB at Michigan (2) 12 noon
(Ann Arbor, Mich.)
TN at Northwestern 10 a.m.
(Evanston, IL)
TR at St. Olaf Invitational
GY at NCAA Championships 6 p.m.
GF at Iowa Invitational
(Iowa City, IA)

Sunday, April 20
SB at Michigan 11 a.m.
TN at Wisconsin 10 a.m.
(Madison, WI)
TR at Mt. Sac Invitational
(Walnut, CA)
GF at Iowa Invitational

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Gymnasts prepare for NCAA Championships
- #15 Softball travels to Northwestern and Michigan
- #36 Tennis faces tough challenges at Wisconsin and Northwestern
- #18 Golf plays at Iowa Invitational
- Track and Field travels to Mt. Sac and St. Olaf Invitationals

Last Week's Highlights

- Minnesota hires Cheryl Littlejohn as basketball coach
- Jennifer Johnson named Big Ten Pitcher of the Week for second consecutive week
- Softball has nine-game winning streak
- Tennis defeats Michigan State, Sauska wins #22
- Parkos, Blocker and Chimko win events at Missouri Invitational

Announcements

INNER CIRCLE BREAKFAST APRIL 15--The final Inner Circle breakfast of the season is Tuesday, April 15, at the Radisson Metrodome hotel on Washington Avenue. The program begins at 7:30 a.m. with Cathy Wurzer of KXTA-2 and WCCO Radio serving as emcee for the event. Featured speakers include golf coach Kathy Williams and a softball pitcher Jennifer Johnson.

MINNESOTA TO HOLD BOOK FAIR--The University of Minnesota women's athletics department and Barnes & Noble Bookstores will host a book fair Saturday, May 3, at the Barnes and Noble in Burnsville from noon-3 p.m. Proceeds from the book fair will benefit the Berg Scholarship Fund.

MS. GOPHER GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED--The 1997 Ms. Gopher Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Friday, May 16, at the Les Bolstad Golf Course. The shotgun start is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. The cost of tournament is \$125 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch, and prizes, with all proceeds benefiting the Berg Scholarship Fund. For more information call 624-6587.

Basketball

LITTLEJOHN HIRED AS COACH--University of Minnesota women's athletics director Chris Voelz announced Thursday, April 10, the hiring of former Alabama first assistant coach Cheryl Littlejohn as the new head coach of the women's basketball program.

Littlejohn, 32, comes to Minnesota after serving as the first assistant coach and recruiting coordinator under Rick Moody at the University of Alabama the past three seasons. While at Alabama, the Crimson Tide made three NCAA Sweet 16 appearances and was ranked #2 in the country in the preseason polls this year.

The native of Gastonia, N.C., signed a five-year contract. She will be paid a base salary of \$90,000, with a supplemental package worth another \$10,000.

Known as one of the nation's best recruiters, Littlejohn pushed Alabama into the upper echelon of women's basketball the past three seasons. During her tenure, she received national accolades by scoring back-to-back top-10 recruiting classes in 1995 and 1996.

Littlejohn was a four-year letterwinner from 1983-87 for Pat Summitt at the University of Tennessee. While at Tennessee, Littlejohn played on three Final Four teams, an SEC Championship team and an NCAA National Championship team in 1987.

After graduating with a criminal justice degree from Tennessee in 1987, Littlejohn was employed by the Drug Enforcement Administration in Los Angeles.

In 1991, Littlejohn changed careers and was hired as the first assistant coach at North Carolina State. She also scored her first top-10 recruiting class in her initial year as an NCAA Division I basketball coach.

Gymnastics

MINNESOTA QUALIFIES FOR NCAA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS--For the first time in the history of the program, the women's gymnastics squad has qualified for the team competition at the NCAA Championships, April 17-20, at the Stephen C. O'Connell Center in Gainesville, Fla. Minnesota earned a wildcard bid and enters the meet as the #11 seed after placing fourth at the 1997 NCAA Central Regional Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich., April 5.

The competition begins Thursday afternoon with the even seeds competing in session I. Minnesota will then compete with the odd seeds in session II Thursday evening at 6 p.m. (CST). The top six teams advance to Friday's finals. The competition will conclude Saturday with the individual event championships.

THE NCAA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS--Minnesota was one of the 12 teams to qualify for the NCAA National Championships in Gainesville, Fla. The five winners of the Regional competitions automatically qualified for the championships, while the next seven teams with the highest scores receive at-large bids. Michigan, the winner of the Central Regional, is the #1 seed after scoring a 197.700. UCLA is the #2 seed, followed by Alabama, LSU and Florida. The following are the teams invited to the championships with their score from the Regional meet.

1. Michigan	Central	197.700*
2. UCLA	West	196.300*
3. Alabama	Central	196.250
4. LSU	Central	196.175
5. Florida	Southeast	195.750*
6. Washington	West	195.725
7. Georgia	Southeast	195.725
8. Utah	Midwest	195.700*
9. Arizona State	Midwest	195.225
10. Nebraska	Midwest	195.150
11. Minnesota	Central	195.125
12. Penn State	Northeast	194.150*

* Automatic Qualifiers

MINNESOTA IN THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS--Minnesota has never qualified as a team for the NCAA Championships, but has sent individuals in the past. Former Gopher Marie Roethlisberger went to the NCAA Championships four times in her career and was crowned the uneven bars champion in 1990.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--It has been a record-setting year for Minnesota in 1997 as the Gophers advance to the NCAA Championships for the first time in school history. Every team record and three of four individual marks have been set this season. Minnesota set a school record of 196.300 at the Big Ten Championships and then recorded its second-highest team score of 195.125 at NCAA Central Regionals.

The Gophers have a specialized team with only one all-rounder competing for them in JUDITH CAVAZOS

(MONTERREY, MEXICO/MEXICANADEL NORESTE). But Cavazos suffered an ankle injury at the Central Regional Championships and will only participate on the bars at nationals. Minnesota then spreads its lineup of two seniors, six juniors, two sophomores and four newcomers over the four apparatus with only MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE) competing on more than two events. KIM SVEUM (MINOT, ND/MINOT) and STACEY BATZA (OXFORD, CT/SEYMOUR) lead Minnesota on the vault, while school record holder KRISTEN VANDERSALL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG) leads the charge on the bars. Kneable is the defending Big Ten Champion on the beam and CATHY KEYSER (PLYMOUTH, MN/AUSTRALIAN INST. OF SPORT) scored a 9.925 last season on the event. The floor exercise is Minnesota's strongest event as a team as they are ranked #9 in the nation and feature three gymnasts who consistently score 9.85 or higher, including Vandersall, who shares the school record with Cavazos in the event at 9.95.

HEAD COACH JIM STEPHENSON--Head coach Jim Stephenson is in his fifth season at the helm of the Minnesota gymnastics program. Stephenson was named 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year and was the Big Ten co-Coach of the Year in 1995. His career record with the Gophers is 71-74 after leading Minnesota to a 21-8 record this season.

Before coming to Minnesota, Stephenson was an assistant coach at Utah where he coached nine all-Americans on the uneven bars.

THE ASSISTANT COACHES--Trina Tinti begins her fifth season as the first assistant coach for the Gophers, while Meg Stephenson begins her third season as the second assistant after serving for two years as a volunteer coach.

INJURY REPORT--Newcomers KRISTI SELINGER (AURORA, CO/GATEWAY) and Judith Cavazos are both recovering from injuries. Cavazos suffered a sprained ankle at the Regional meet. She is receiving treatments on the injury and is expected back on only the bars for the NCAA meet. Selinger is recovering from a deep shoulder bruise after falling out of her bedroom loft. Selinger was not supposed to compete at the Regional meet, but filled in for the injured Cavazos and scored a 9.70 on the vault.

THE CENTRAL REGIONALS IN REVIEW--Despite an night-ending injury after the second rotation to Judith Cavazos, Minnesota still recorded its second-highest score in school history at 195.125 to finish fourth at the NCAA Central Regional Championships in front of 4,072 fans in Ann Arbor, Mich. Michigan scored 197.700 to win the crown defeating defending national champion Alabama (196.250). LSU was third at 196.175, while Minnesota was fourth. Michigan State, Iowa State and SE Missouri closed out the final three spots, respectively.

Individually, Alabama's Meredith Willard was the all-around champion with a 39.625. Michigan's Heather Kabnick was second in the all-around with a 39.575, followed by Stephanie Hyett of LSU and Beth Amelkovich of Michigan at 39.375.

Minnesota opened the competition on the beam without two of its top competitors. Kristi Selinger and CAMI PHILLIPPI (ROSEVILLE, MN/AREA) were unable to compete for the Gophers as Selinger injured her shoulder earlier in the week and Phillippi did not make the trip. The Gophers scored a 48.125 after having to count a fall as Batza and Cavazos both had problems on the beam. Minnesota was led by Mindy Kneable with a 9.75. Cathy Keyser and LACEY PURKAT (ANNANDALE, VA/W.T. WOODSON) both recorded 9.725's.

Minnesota was on the floor for the third rotation. The Gophers, who are ranked #8 in the nation on the event, scored 49.075, despite having to count a no score after Cavazos sprained her ankle on her second tumbling pass and could not complete her routine. Kneable once again led the Gophers with a 9.875. Kristen Vandersall had a 9.85, while JONDA HAMMONS (LODI, CA/LODI) recorded a 9.825.

Cavazos, Minnesota's only all-around competitor and school record holder in the event, was done for the evening with the ankle sprain causing the Gophers to do some lineup shuffling before the fifth and sixth rotations—the vault and the bars. Cavazos had three scores higher than 9.80 on the vault, including a 9.825 at the Big Ten Championships two weeks ago. She also was Minnesota's leader on the bars this season with a team-high season average of 9.754. She had recorded 9.875's in her last three meets.

On the vault, Minnesota scored a 49.000, the third highest score in Minnesota history, despite not having Cavazos. Selinger stepped in for Cavazos and scored a 9.70, while MELISSA CHANG (BLUE SPRINGS, MO/BLUE SPRINGS) recorded a 9.725 on her first-ever competitive vault. Kim Sveum had a 9.90 to lead Minnesota, followed by a 9.85 by Kneable and a 9.825 by Batza.

Chang, filling in for Cavazos, started the bars rotation with 9.675. Minnesota then had its next five gymnasts record a 9.75 or higher led by Vandersall with a 9.875, tying her season-high. As a team, Minnesota recorded a 48.975, the third highest score in school history.

MINNESOTA SCORES 195.125 AT CENTRAL REGIONALS--Minnesota's score of 195.125 at the Central Regionals was the second-highest score in school history despite not having Judith Cavazos for two events. Minnesota recorded its third-highest score in school history on the both the vault and the uneven bars with a 49.000 on the vault and a 48.975 on the bars.

VANDERSALL AND SVEUM CRACK TOP SIX AT REGIONALS--With a 9.875 on the bars, Kristen Vandersall was the Gophers' highest individual finisher tying for fifth-place. Kim Sveum was tied for sixth on the vault with a 9.90.

OTHER INDIVIDUAL BESTS AT REGIONALS--Minnesota set a number of career bests at the regional meet including: Mindy Kneable (9.85, vault); Melissa Chang (9.675, bars; 9.725, vault) and Jenny Mazzone (9.75, bars).

MINNESOTA SETS TEAM RECORD AT BIG TEN MEET--Minnesota set a school team record with a 196.350 to finish

second at the Big Ten Championships three weeks ago. The 196.350 shattered the old record of 195.000 set against Utah earlier this season.

KNAEBLE WINS BIG TEN BEAM TITLE—Junior Mindy Knaeble became Minnesota's first Big Ten Champion on the beam since Kathy Ness in 1991. Knaeble posted a 9.95 on the event to tie Michigan's Beth Amelkovich and Lisa Simes for the title. Knaeble broke the Minnesota record of 9.925 set by Cathy Keyser last season and tied the highest score ever recorded in Minnesota school history. For her efforts, Knaeble earned all-Big Ten honors, the second of her career. She was named all-Big Ten in 1996 after winning a share of the floor exercise title.

STEPHENSON NAMED BIG TEN COACH OF THE YEAR—Minnesota's Jim Stephenson was named the 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year. It was the second time in three years Stephenson won the honor. Stephenson led Minnesota to a second-place finish at the Big Ten meet as Minnesota posted its highest score in history. In 1995, Stephenson shared the same award with Michigan's Bev Plocki.

MORE RECORDS BROKEN AT BIG TEN'S—Minnesota had an outstanding Big Ten meet as it set a new team and beam record. Minnesota scored a 196.350 breaking its old record of 195.000 set against Utah earlier this season. Minnesota had struggled all year on the beam but received outstanding performances from Mindy Knaeble, Kristi Selinger, Cami Phillippi, Cathy Keyser, Lacey Purkat and Judith Cavazos to set a new record of 49.300 breaking the old record of 48.975 set at South-east Missouri in 1996. Selinger recorded a career-high of 9.875, tying for her for #3 in Minnesota history, in only her second time competing in the event. Purkat also set a career-high with a 9.875, followed by Phillippi who posted a 9.775. Phillippi had only competed on the beam one time prior to the Big Ten meet and had a 9.175. Keyser remained steady as she had a 9.825.

CAVAZOS AND VANDERSALL SHARE NEW FLOOR RECORD — The Minnesota school record on floor exercise was broken not once, but twice in the Gophers' win over Iowa State on March 14. Judith Cavazos tallied a 9.950 to break Mindy Knaeble's former record of 9.925. One performance later, senior Kristen Vandersall equaled Cavazos' 9.950 to grab her share of the record.

KNAEBLE SOLID ON THE FLOOR— In 11 of 12 Minnesota meets this season, junior Mindy Knaeble has scored 9.825 or better on the floor exercise. Knaeble, who is ranked 15th in the nation in the event, had scored a 9.600 or better in her last 22 performances until the meet against Iowa State on March 14, when a fall in her routine landed her a score of 9.475. Knaeble holds nine of the top ten scores in Gopher floor exercise history.

MORE ON THE FLOOR — Mindy Knaeble isn't the only Gopher to shine on the floor this season. Minnesota is ranked eighth in the nation on the floor exercise and has recorded eight of the top ten scores in school history in the event so far this season, including the tie of the school record with a team score of 49.275 against Missouri on March 9. Competing with the same

rotation on floor throughout '97, all six Gopher gymnasts have equaled or set their career-highs in the event, including the school record shared by Judith Cavazos and Kristen Vandersall. Knaeble, the previous record holder with a 9.925, and senior Jonda Hammons with a 9.900 add explosive scoring punch to the Gophers' floor team. Knaeble, Vandersall, Cavazos and Hammons have combined to produce 29 of Minnesota's 30 highest floor exercise scores ever. On that list, only Lori Kindler, who scored a 9.9 on Feb. 5, 1994, is not a current member of the team.

CAVAZOS AN ALL-AROUND SUCCESS — In 12 meets this season, Gopher newcomer Judith Cavazos has earned five all-around victories. But no one was ready for what she did against #2 Utah. Competing against Utah's Traci Sommer and Denise Jones, ranked ninth and 19th, respectively, in the country in the all-around, Cavazos broke the school all-around record with a mark of 39.3, en route to winning the event. Sommer scored 39.1 and Jones had 39.025. Cavazos also set personal records in all four individual events, scoring 9.725 on the vault, 9.850 on the uneven bars, 9.850 on the balance beam and 9.875 on the floor exercise. Cavazos has recorded five of the top ten all-around scores in Minnesota history and has won the event against Illinois, Ohio State, Utah, Iowa State, Arizona and at the Best of Minnesota.

SVEUM, BATZA LEAD VAULT TEAM — Juniors Kim Sveum and Stacey Batza have a lot in common. Sveum set the record twice last season, posting scores of 9.9. Batza tied the record against UMass before Sveum set the new standard with a 9.925 on March 9, at Missouri. Together the pair owns 13 of the top 15 vault scores in school history.

KEYSER ANOTHER ONE TO WATCH — Two-time all-Big Ten performer Cathy Keyser has been relatively quiet in 1997. Coming off third-place finishes on bars and beam at last year's Big Ten Championships, Keyser struggled on both events early in '97 but is making a strong comeback. On bars, Keyser scored a 9.825 at the NCAA Regional meet, improving her streak to eight meets that she's scored a 9.7 or higher. On beam, Keyser has been a stabilizing force of late, scoring 9.7 or better in seven of her last eight meets, including a team season-best of 9.875 against Ohio State / Illinois. She posted a 9.825 at the Big Ten Championships and a 9.725 at the NCAA Central Regionals.

GOPHERS IN THE NATIONAL RANKINGS — Minnesota is nationally-ranked in three events, helping the Gophers to their overall team ranking of #21. The Gophers' floor exercise squad leads the way with a #8 ranking, followed by the uneven bars contingent ranked #16. After scoring the top five team scores in Gopher history, the vault team has climbed to #22 in the national ranking.

Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota travels to Walnut, Calif., for the Mt. Sac Relays and to Northfield, Minn., for the St. Olaf Invitational on April 18-19.

GOPHER REWIND: THREE ATHLETES WIN AT TOM BOTTS — Two Minnesota throwers and one jumper each captured event titles at the Tom Botts Invitational hosted by the University of Missouri-Columbia Saturday. Senior **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** won the shot put with a throw of 44-6, newcomer **NICOLE CHIMKO (ALDERSYDE, ALBERTA/FOOTHILLS COMPOSITE)** won the javelin with a toss of 148-7, and sophomore **APASHA BLOCKER (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT)** won the high jump with a jump of 5-5. Parkos was also second in the discus with a toss of 158-11.

OTHER TOP-THREE FINISHERS — Newcomer **NATALIE SMITH (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL)** was second in two events, the long jump (18-3) and the triple jump (37-5). Sophomore **YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON)** was second in the 100-meter hurdles (:14.89) and third in the 400-meter hurdles (1:06.41). Other top-three finishers for the Gophers: **ANNA GULLINGSRUD (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW)**, second in the 5000-meter run (17:37.46); **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KATEDRALSKOLE)**, third in the triple jump (37-4); **TINA McDONALD (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST)**, second in the shot put (44-5 1/4); **KIM HEATH (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY)**, third in the 100-meter dash (:12.70); and the 4x100-meter relay team of **Heath, KIM HOFNER (BURLINGTON, WI/BURLINGTON), SHELLIE BRAGGS (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN)** and **White (:50.74)**.

NEW TO MINNESOTA'S ALL-TIME TOP TEN — At the Tom Botts Invitational, three athletes moved into Minnesota's all-time outdoor performance lists: **Natalie Smith** ranks seventh in the long jump; **Christine Gulbrandsen** is eighth in the triple jump; and **Apasha Blocker** ranks ninth in the high jump.

TEAM RESULTS — Minnesota finished in second place with 121 points, behind host Missouri's 153. Kansas State was third with 92. In dual meet scoring, Minnesota lost to Missouri, 79-65, but beat Kansas, 96-42.

1. Missouri 153; 2. Minnesota 121; 3. Kansas State 92; 4. Kansas 60; 5. Southwest Missouri 52; 6. Nebraska 29; 7. Cornell 24; 8. Southeast Missouri 3.

COMPLETE MINNESOTA RESULTS —

100-meter dash: 3. Kim Heath, :12.70; 5. Kim Hofner, :13.35.
 1500-meter run: 6. Minna Haronoja, 4:46.77; 7. Andrea Lentz, 4:48.37; 11. Karen Kleindl, 4:55.17; 12. Keri Zweig, 4:56.35.
 3000-meter run: 8. Amy Hoel, 10:45.13; 9. Gillian Haro, 10:46.19; 10. Kari Thompson, 10:47.26.

5000-meter run: 2. Anna Gullingsrud, 17:37.46; 9. Andrea Swansby, 19:16.84; 10. Janet Howe, 19:31.49.
 100-meter hurdles: 2. Yvette White, :14.89; 4. Apasha Blocker, :15.52.
 400-meter hurdles: 3. Yvette White, 1:06.41; 4. Kay Fuller, 1:08.74.
 4x100-meter relay: Heath, Hofner, Braggs, White, :50.74.
 High Jump: 1. Apasha Blocker, 5-5 (1.65m).
 Long Jump: 2. Natalie Smith, 18-3 (5.57m).
 Triple Jump: 2. Natalie Smith, 37-5 (11.42m); 3. Christine Gulbrandsen, 37-4 (11.38m).
 Shot Put: 1. Dani Parkos, 44-6 (13.56m); 2. Tina McDonald, 44-5 1/4 (13.54); 8. Apasha Blocker, 38-3 1/2 (11.67m).
 Discus: 2. Dani Parkos, 158-11 (48.44m); 4. Nicole Chimko, 147-6 (44.96m); 7. Tina McDonald, 141-6 (43.14m).
 Javelin: 1. Nicole Chimko, 148-7 (45.28m).

UPCOMING SCHEDULE —

April 18-19	at Mt. Sac Relays (Walnut, CA)	
	at St. Olaf Invitational (Northfield, MN)	
April 25-26	at Drake Relays (Des Moines, IA)	
	at Penn Relays (Philadelphia, PA)	
	at Macalester (St. Paul, MN)	
May 3	Minnesota Classic	10 a.m.
May 10	Minnesota Open	10 a.m.
May 17	Minnesota Last Chance	10 a.m.
May 23-25	at Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)	
June 4-7	at NCAA Championships (Bloomington, IL)	

Golf

GOLFERS TO IOWA INVITATIONAL--The Minnesota women's golf team competes Saturday -Sunday, April 19-20, at the Iowa Invitational on the University of Iowa's Finkbine Golf Course. The course plays between 5,800 and 6,500 yards and has a par of 72. The 54-hole tournament features 36-holes on Saturday with the final 18 on Sunday. Teams from Iowa, Minnesota, Indiana, Michigan State, Northwestern, Ohio State, Purdue and Wisconsin will be in the field. The Gopher line-up had not been released as of the press release deadline.

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters

1. Chanteau White (a) (trials)	:12.38
2. Kim Heath (c) (trials)	:12.59
3. Kim Heath (a) (trials)	:12.64

400 meters

1. Shellie Braggs (a)	:58.98
2. Kristie Stiles (a)	:59.52

3000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40
2. Andrea Lentz (a)	10:25.33
3. Amy Hoel (c)	10:45.13

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (c)	17:37.46
2. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24
3. Andrea Swansby (c)	19:16.84

100-meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (a)	:14.86
2. Yvette White (c)	:14.89
3. Yvette White (a)	:14.97

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (a)	1:05.10
2. Yvette White (c)	1:06.41
3. Kay Fuller (c)	1:08.74

4x100-meter Relay

1. Heath, Hofner, Braggs, Y. White (c)	:50.74
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4x400-meter Relay

1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
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4x800-meter Relay

1. Haronoja, Kleindl, Stiles, Zweig (a)	9:36.15
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4x1500-meter Relay

1. Lentz, Haronoja, Kleindl, Zweig (a)	19:40.76
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High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (c)	5-5 (1.57)
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Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith (c)	18-3 (5.57)
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Triple Jump

1. Natalie Smith (a)	37-10 1/2 (11.54)
2. Natalie Smith (c)	37-5 (11.42)
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (c)	37-4 (11.38)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (a) *	48-1 1/4 (14.66)
2. Tina McDonald (b) *	47-10 (14.58)
3. Tina McDonald (a)	46-9 (14.25)

Discus

1. Dani Parkos (b) *	168-11 (51.48)
2. Dani Parkos (a) *	161-5 (49.20)
3. Dani Parkos (c)	158-11 (48.44)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11 (47.84)
2. Nicole Chimko (c)	148-7 (45.28)

* NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, NC)

(b) Texas Relays (Austin, TX)

(c) Tom Botts Invitational (Columbia, MO)

Softball

GOPHERS FACE IMPORTANT ROAD TRIP TO NORTHWESTERN AND MICHIGAN — The University of Minnesota softball team travels to Northwestern and Michigan in Big Ten action this week. The Gophers, 30-9 and 5-3 in the Big Ten, play a doubleheader against Northwestern on Wednesday, April 16, and then travel to Michigan for a three-game series with the Wolverines on Saturday and Sunday, April 19-20.

IOWA STATE DOUBLEHEADER CANCELED — The doubleheader versus Iowa State which was tentatively rescheduled for April 24, has now been canceled.

GOPHERS RANKED 15TH — The Gophers were ranked #15 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Fresno State (37-6) dethroned defending national champion Arizona (33-4) from the #1 position for the first time this season. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 15. Iowa leads the way ranked #5, followed by defending conference champion Michigan at #9, Michigan State at #12 and Minnesota at #15.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
C	14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B	21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
2B	12	Laura Peters	L/R	Jr.	Cottage Grove, MN
3B	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
SS	5	Shannon Beeler	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF	2	Steph Midthun	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF	1	Rachel Nelson	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
RF	6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)
DP	20	Jennifer Fox	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
11	Jennifer Bauer	R/R	Sr.	Cottage Grove, MN (Park)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN — Minnesota head coach Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 185-151-1 (.550). Bernstein-O'Brien owns a Big Ten record of 73-67 (.521) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach Julie Standerling is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while Jennifer McGuinness is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

JOHNSON REPEATS BIG TEN HONOR — Senior pitcher Jennifer Johnson was named the Big Ten Pitcher of the Week for the second consecutive week. Johnson gathered two wins

and two saves in a busy week of action from the mound. In 14 complete innings of work, Johnson gave up five hits and allowed just one unearned run to cross the plate. In addition, she recorded 18 strikeouts with only one walk. One of her victories this week was a complete-game, two-hit shutout in the Gophers' 3-0 win over Penn State. Johnson is now 8-5 on the season and owns six saves, tying the Minnesota single-season record.

KEEPIN' THE STREAK ALIVE — Minnesota heads into this week's action with a nine-game winning streak intact. The Gophers also recorded four consecutive shutouts during the streak and a stretch of 31 straight innings in which they did not allow a run. After shutting out Northern Iowa by scores of 2-0 and 8-0, and defeating Penn State, 3-0 and 7-0, the Nittany Lions finally scored on the Gophers in the fourth inning of the 4-3 Minnesota victory.

HEGLAND THE HOT BAT FOR THE WEEK — Seeing full-time action at third base has possibly helped Amber Hegland from the plate. In the five games last week, Hegland owned the hot bat in the Gopher lineup hitting .583 on 7-for-12 from the plate. She improved her season batting average to .427.

HEGLAND JOINS THE RECORD PARADE — Junior all-American Amber Hegland joined in on the record-breaking parade by setting the new career RBI record with 127. Hegland surpassed the old record of 117 by Gopher Hall of Famer Shelly Medernach (1976-79). Hegland, who has played at four positions in the field in '97 (right and left field, second base and third base), is also nearing the career record for doubles. She currently has 37 career two-baggers and need two more to tie the record of 39 set by Barb Drake (1984-87).

RECORD ROUND-TRIPPERS — Sophomore shortstop Shannon Beeler is tied for the Minnesota career home run record. Beeler belted her fourth and fifth homers of the season in the Troy Cox Invitational to give her 15 in her brief career as a Gopher. Beeler shares the record with current Minnesota assistant coach Jennifer McGuinness, who played for the Gophers from 1991-94.

NELSON'S HIT COUNT — All-America outfielder Rachel Nelson recorded her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over Robert Morris, during the Triangle Classic on Feb. 22, to set a new Minnesota career hits record. Nelson currently has 302 hits in her career.

CLIMBING THE CHARTS — Rachel Nelson's assault on the record books has now extended to the NCAA record book as well. Nelson is currently seventh on the NCAA career hits list with 302 in her career. Arizona's Amy Chellevoid is the best all-time with 371 hits from 1992-95.

NCAA Career Hits	Years	Games	Hits	Avg
1. Amy Chellevoid	1992-95	255	371	.415
Arizona				
2. Tiff Tootle	1990-93	242	351	.432
South Carolina				
3. Robyn Yorke	1994-	216	328	.447
Fresno State				

4.	Martha Noffsinger Fresno State	1987-90	291	327	.335
5.	Michelle Minton Coastal Carolina	1991-94	199	308	.458
6.	Dana Fulmer South Carolina	1992-95	268	304	.368
7.	Rachel Nelson Minnesota	1994-	217	302	.398
8.	Denelle Hicks Campbell	1993-96	219	300	.446

THE SCOUTING REPORT —

Northwestern — The Wildcats bring a 12-21 overall record into Wednesday's doubleheader. Northwestern is 2-6 in Big Ten after splitting with Michigan over the weekend. Outfielder Amanda Peterson leads the team from the plate where she is hitting .347 on the season. First-year pitcher Jaclyn DeBoard sees plenty of action in the Wildcat lineup. She has started 25 games from the mound, owns a 10-12 record and a 2.97 ERA in 148.2 innings pitched. DeBoard is also second on the team with her .313 batting average.

Northwestern head coach Sharon Drysdale is in her 19th season with the Wildcats and owns a record of 519-401 at NU. The Series - Minnesota leads 31-28.

Michigan — Michigan, the defending Big Ten champion, is 34-12-1 (5-4 in the Big Ten) entering the week. The Wolverines host Penn State on Wednesday and Central Michigan on Thursday prior to the Minnesota series. Michigan is playing without two-time, first-team all-American Sara Griffin, who broke her left arm earlier in the season. Griffin was 15-2 from the mound with an impressive 0.99 ERA, while hitting .316 from the plate. Senior Kelly Holmes and newcomer Jamie Gillies are now the Wolverines' featured pitchers. Holmes is 12-5 on the season with a 1.43 ERA. Gillies is 7-5. Outfielder Tammy Mika and Traci Conrad at first base own the team's top batting averages at .384 and .376, respectively. Griffin leads in RBI with 36, followed by Cathy Davis' total of 31.

Michigan head coach Carol Hutchins is in her 13th season with the Wolverines and sports a record of 487-241-2 at Michigan.

The Series - Michigan leads 38-19.

UP NEXT — Minnesota hosts Iowa in a doubleheader on Wednesday, April 23. That doubleheader will be televised by MSC.

Swimming and Diving

SWIMMING AND DIVING ANNOUNCE TEAM AWARDS AND NEXT YEAR'S CAPTAINS--The University of Minnesota women's swimming and diving team held its annual awards banquet on Sunday, April 13, at the Radisson Metrodome University Hotel. The following awards were given:

Most Valuable--Junior GRETCHEN HEGENER (COLOGNE, MN/MAYER LUTHERAN)

Hardest Worker (for the third consecutive year)--Junior OLGA SPLICHALOVA (ZNOJMO, CZECH REPUBLIC).

Most Improved--Senior JESSICA GRASS (KNOXVILLE, TN/FARRAGUT) and sophomore BETH SHIMANSKI (HUTCHINSON, MN).

Dorothy Lestina Sheppard Award--Senior TANYA SCHUH (LAKE ELMO, MN/STILLWATER).

Student-Athlete Award was shared by--Senior STEFANIE BRADFORD (OWATONNA, MN), Senior CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT), Senior ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY), Sophomore KRISSY BERGLUND (SOMERVILLE, NJ).

1997-98 Captains: Gretchen Hegener, Olga Splichalova, Junior SHONA BAILLIE (OAKVILLE, ON, CANADA), Junior KIMBERLY WILSON (SOUTH BEND, IN/RILEY).

DIVERS AT U.S. DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS — Two Minnesota divers are competing at the U.S. Spring National Diving Championships, Tuesday-Sunday, April 15-20, in Auburn, Ala. The six-day meet is at the James E. Martin Aquatic Center on the campus of Auburn University.

Seniors ANDREA BERG ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY) and CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT) are competing as a team Tuesday in 3-meter springboard and 10-meter platform synchronized diving semifinals. Individually, Berg will also compete in 1-meter springboard diving on Thursday, and 3-meter springboard diving on Friday.

Tennis

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO NORTHWESTERN AND WISCONSIN--Minnesota, 10-4 overall and 5-3 in the Big Ten, travels to Northwestern and Wisconsin for matches this weekend. Minnesota will play Northwestern Saturday, April 19, at 10 a.m., followed by a Sunday tilt against Wisconsin at 10 a.m.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota ended a four-match losing streak with a victory over Michigan State Sunday. The Gophers have been struggling in all areas, especially doubles where they are inching ever closer to the .500 mark. Minnesota had lost the doubles point in each of its last four matches until squeaking one out against Michigan State.

At number one singles, newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)**, suffered her first loss of the dual meet season against Michigan's **Sarah Cyganiak**, but still posts an impressive 22-2 record. Sauska had won 11 matches in a row before her loss to Cyganiak. Sauska is also closing on the single-season winning percentage record of .913 set by **Patty Moran** in 1975-76. Currently, Sauska is at .916 with her two losses on the season.

The Gophers are playing with an extremely young lineup as three sophomores and three newcomers are currently in the top six. Juniors **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** and **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)**, who is just back from a shoulder injury, have also seen time in the lineup this season.

Sauska leads the team in wins with 22 followed by **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** with 17 and newcomer **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/CENTRAL BUCKS WEST)** with 16.

ABOUT NORTHWESTERN--Northwestern is 9-10 overall and 4-4 in the Big Ten Conference. Northwestern lost to Ohio State, 4-3, and Indiana, 5-2 last weekend.

ABOUT WISCONSIN--The Badgers are 15-6 overall and 6-2 in the Big Ten Conference. Wisconsin suffered its second Big Ten loss of the season falling to Indiana, 4-3. The Badgers then rebounded to defeat Ohio State, 6-1.

MINNESOTA DROPS IN NATIONAL RANKINGS--After moving up from #38 to #28 in the national rankings, Minnesota fell again to #36 after losing to Indiana three weeks ago. The #28-ranking was the highest Minnesota has ever been ranked in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings. The new rankings come out Tuesday, April 15.

SAUSKA DROPS TO #46--Newcomer Nora Sauska dropped to #46 in the last Rolex Rankings. Sauska had moved up to #40 tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher **Tiffany Gates** was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

LINEUP CHANGES--The Gophers are changing their lineup on a regular basis as Jenni Svehla is back from an injury and

played in the #4 position two weeks ago. Against Michigan and Michigan State, Svehla did not play singles.

Jennifer Hayes made an appearance in the Gophers singles lineup against both Michigan and Michigan State. Hayes was filling in for the injured **Alice Rangsithienchai**, who missed the match after having a breathing problem against Michigan.

GOPHER REWIND--MICHIGAN--Minnesota lost its fourth consecutive match falling to Michigan, 7-0, in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Michigan swept the doubles point and then won all six singles matches in straight sets to remain undefeated in the Big Ten. Minnesota's **Nora Sauska** had her 11-match winning streak ended by **Sarah Cyganiak**, 6-3, 7-5.

MICHIGAN STATE--Minnesota ended its four-match losing streak with a 6-1 victory over Michigan State in East Lansing, Mich.

For the first time in five matches, Minnesota won the doubles point as the #2 team of **Jana Hrdinova** and **Kim Simonsen** defeated **Sara Hulewicz** and **Jaime Tannenbaum**, 9-8, and the #3 team of **Jennifer Hayes** and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MNBURNSVILLE)** defeated **Aluna Inkala** and **Brooke Townsend** by the identical score.

Minnesota, playing without #2 player **Alice Rangsithienchai** because of injuries, then went on to win five of six singles matches. The Gophers were led by **Nora Sauska**, who won her 22nd match of the season against only two losses, with a 6-2, 7-6 win over **Hulewicz**.

MINNESOTA SINGLES DOMINATES DURING SPRING--The singles play of the Gophers has been fantastic this spring as they have lost only 23 singles matches. The Gophers singles record is currently 55-23 (.705) for the dual meet season.

DOUBLES IS STRUGGLING--Minnesota had been undefeated (15-0) in doubles until getting swept by Illinois February 16. Minnesota then lost the doubles point to Iowa, Maryland, BYU-Hawaii, Penn State, Michigan and Indiana. The Gophers are 23-19 in doubles during the dual meet season.

UP NEXT--Minnesota, who is on the road for the final two months of the season, will travel to West Lafayette, Ind., for the 1997 Big Ten Championships April 24-27.

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Spring and Season Statistics

	Tournament	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Total	Place	Spring			Season			1996 Fall Results		
		Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Tournament	Score	Place						
2/21-22/97	Midwest Classic	311	299			610	2nd/9 teams	610	2	305.00	4682	15	312.13	Minnesota Inv.	619	2nd/15 teams
3/10-11/97	Peggy Kirk Bell Inv.	328	327	342		997	9th/15 teams	1607	5	321.40	5679	18	315.50	Lady Northern	953	8th/15 teams
4/5-6/97	Indiana Invitational	322	327			649	4th/17 teams	2256	7	322.29	6328	20	316.40	Lady Badger	938	1st/11 teams
4/19-20/97	Iowa Invitational													Huskie Classic	634	1st/13 teams
5/2-4/97	Big Ten Champ.													Northwestern Inv.	928	1st of 6 teams
TBA	NCAA Regionals															

	Midwest Classic (72)*			Peggy Kirk Bell Inv. (72)				Indiana Invite (74)				Iowa Invitational ()				Spring		
	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou	79	80	159 t-27th													159	2	79.50
Donna Boom																		
Amy Dahle	79	76	155 t-19th	78	79	79	236 t-8th	75	79		154 t-5th					545	7	77.86
Glenna Gilbert																		
Carolyn Klecker	76	76	152 t-4th	84	86	84	254 t-44th	85	84		169 51st					575	7	82.14
Melanie Lepp	77	76	153 t-7th	82	80	88	250 36th	81	84		165 t-31st					568	7	81.14
Cathy Lindblad	80	73	153 t-7th	89	85	91	265 t-61st	87	80		167 t-39th					585	7	83.57
Emily Norby																		
Marcy Savage																		
Keri Sawvell	79	74	153 t-7th	84	83	92	259 t-53rd	81	84		165 t-31st					577	7	82.43
Jenny Trenda																		
Kristi Weichert																		

	Big Ten Championship (*)					NCAA Regionals (*)				NCAA Champ. (*)					Season			Fall			Career		
	R1	R2	R3	R4**	Tot	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	R4	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou															808	10	80.80	649	8	81.13	1415	17	83.24
Donna Boom															573	7	81.86	573	7	81.86	1163	14	83.07
Amy Dahle															1562	20	78.10	1017	13	78.23	6315	79	79.94
Glenna Gilbert															171	2	85.50	171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker															1598	20	79.90	1023	13	78.69	6746	83	81.28
Melanie Lepp															1370	17	80.59	802	10	80.20	3293	40	82.33
Cathy Lindblad															1617	20	80.85	1032	13	79.38	4196	51	82.27
Emily Norby															87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00
Marcy Savage															253	3	84.33	253	3	84.33	672	8	84.00
Keri Sawvell															1618	20	80.90	1041	13	80.08	3502	43	81.44
Jenny Trenda															487	6	81.17	487	6	81.17	2124	25	84.96
Kristi Weichert															246	3	82.00	246	3	82.00	419	5	83.80

* par
**RO rainout

University of Minnesota Women's Golf 1996-97 Player by Player Summary **

Player	Tourn- aments	Rounds/ Counted	Strokes	Avg	Best Rounds				Under			Top 5 Finishes	Top 10 Finishes	Top 20 Finishes
					18	36*	54	72	Par	Par	Wins			
Michelle Ballou	5	10/4	808	80.80	78	159	242		0	0	1	1	1	2
Donna Boom	3	7/2	573	81.86	79	165	239		0	0	0	0	0	0
Amy Dahle	8	20/18	1562	78.10	70	154	226		1	1	1	3	6	7
Glenna Gilbert	1	2/0	171	85.50	84	171			0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolyn Klecker	8	20/17	1598	79.90	73	152	232		0	0	0	4	4	5
Melanie Lepp	7	17/11	1370	80.59	76	153	238		0	0	0	1	3	4
Cathy Lindblad	8	20/12	1617	80.85	73	153	234		0	0	0	2	4	4
Emily Norby	1	1/0	87	87.00	87				0	0	0	0	0	0
Marcy Savage	2	3/0	253	84.33	82	164			0	0	0	0	0	0
Keri Sawvell	8	20/14	1618	80.90	74	151	240		0	1	0	1	3	4
Jenny Trendera	3	6/2	487	81.17	79	159	245		0	0	0	1	1	2
Kristi Weichert	2	3/0	246	82.00	78	164			0	0	0	1	1	1

Through 4/7/97

*Low 36-hole tournament score

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/21--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
#20 UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- OSU/IL	194.500		48.150		48.650		48.475		49.225	
Ohio State		192.225		48.475		47.000		48.375		48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri	193.775		49.125		48.775		46.600		49.275	
Missouri		192.925		48.600		47.250		48.625		48.450
Eastern Michigan		191.850		48.050		48.150		47.325		48.325
Iowa		189.800		47.775		48.400		45.900		47.725
3/14--#14 Iowa State	194.850	194.725	48.900	48.575	48.925	48.250	47.800	48.875	49.225	49.025
3/22--Big Ten Champ.	196.350		49.075		49.000		49.300		48.975	
Michigan		197.150		49.500		49.300		48.875		49.475
Ohio State		195.825		48.975		49.125		48.875		48.850
Michigan State		195.475		49.025		48.125		49.300		49.025
Penn State		194.300		48.600		48.775		48.700		48.225
Illinois		194.075		48.450		48.250		48.750		48.625
Iowa		193.725		48.075		48.350		48.550		48.750
4/5--NCAA Region	195.125		49.000		48.975		48.125		49.025	
Michigan		197.700		49.550		49.450		49.200		49.500
Alabama		196.250		49.175		48.525		49.025		49.525
LSU		196.175		49.275		49.000		49.225		48.675
Michigan State		194.700		48.975		48.150		48.625		48.950
Iowa State		194.475		48.325		48.375		48.725		49.050
SE Missouri		193.450		48.800		48.075		47.900		48.675

1997 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.925*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.875	Three times (Last at Big Ten's 3/22)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.875	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.950*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Judith Cavazos	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM VAULT		49.125*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		49.000	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		49.300*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.275**	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		196.350*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)

*-school record

** ties school record

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 14, 1997)
 (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 30-9-0 Home 3-1-0 Away: 9-4-0 Neutral: 18-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD
Rachel Nelson.....	.441	39-39	136	38	60	3	2	1	25	70	.515	13	0	19	0	.490	0	2	22-27	36	1	3	.92
Amber Hegland.....	.427	39-39	117	22	50	4	0	1	34	57	.487	20	2	7	0	.514	1	0	3-5	21	30	2	.96
Lara Severson.....	.417	24-1	12	8	5	0	0	0	2	5	.417	0	0	1	0	.417	0	1	2-2	3	0	0	1.00
Laura Peters.....	.405	37-34	79	20	32	0	0	0	4	32	.405	10	1	9	0	.478	0	10	16-17	58	52	5	.95
Chantell Jernell....	.375	11-1	8	4	3	0	0	0	2	3	.375	0	1	2	0	.444	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.00
Steph Midthun.....	.355	33-32	93	20	33	2	0	0	5	35	.376	6	0	5	0	.394	0	8	9-10	33	0	2	.94
Shannon Beeler.....	.323	39-39	124	19	40	9	2	5	38	68	.548	15	0	11	0	.393	1	0	3-3	57	90	9	.94
Ann Bartholmey.....	.319	39-39	91	10	29	5	1	0	11	36	.396	1	4	2	0	.354	0	7	1-2	169	23	2	.99
Jennifer Fox.....	.265	28-11	49	6	13	4	0	0	13	17	.347	1	0	2	0	.280	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.00
Jodi Halvorson.....	.261	37-37	92	9	24	1	0	0	7	25	.272	8	0	7	0	.320	0	3	0-1	63	83	5	.96
Tracy Carey.....	.244	33-29	86	9	21	5	2	2	12	36	.419	10	0	12	0	.323	0	2	0-0	230	11	3	.98
Renee Sbrocco.....	.218	33-26	78	15	17	2	0	1	12	22	.282	3	2	7	0	.265	0	3	1-1	16	1	0	1.00
Dana Ballard.....	.183	31-22	71	8	13	3	0	1	11	19	.268	6	3	9	0	.272	1	0	2-4	34	1	1	.97
Wandy Logue.....	.182	4-4	11	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.182	0	0	3	0	.182	0	0	0-0	12	30	1	.97
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	10-0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.222	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.00
Erin Brophy.....	.000	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.00
Jennifer Bauer.....	.000	1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.00
Michelle Bennett....	.000	26-0	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-2	0	0	0	.00
Aubree Espinosa.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.00
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	8-0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.00
Totals.....	.323	39-39	1060	205	342	38	7	11	178	427	.403	95	13	101	0	.384	3	38	62-76	742	354	35	.969
Opponents.....	.207	39-39	909	66	188	20	8	8	56	243	.273	38	4	155	1	.241	2	28	20-34	728	357	63	.945

LOB - Team (277), Opp (174). DPs turned - Team (7), Opp (6). IBB - Team (1), T. Carey 1, Opp (2).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SBA
Jennifer Bauer.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	3.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	14	.100	0	0	0	0	0
Steph Klaviter.....	1.20	13-3	19	17	9	3/3	0	93.2	85	28	16	14	52	7	2	1	391	.235	2	4	0	1	10
Wendy Logue.....	1.32	9-1	18	13	6	4/2	0	79.1	62	21	15	12	22	7	5	1	315	.212	2	0	0	1	9
Jennifer Johnson....	1.37	8-5	20	9	4	2/5	6	71.1	40	17	14	8	79	6	1	6	261	.164	1	0	0	0	9
Totals.....	1.27	30-9	39	39	19	15/6	6	247.1	188	66	45	38	155	20	8	8	981	.207	5	4	0	2	28
Opponents.....	4.47	9-30	39	39	24	2/0	1	242.2	342	205	155	95	101	38	7	11	1209	.323	11	13	0	3	38

PB - Team (2), A Bartholmey 2, Opp (10). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (20-32), S. Klaviter (9-18), W. Logue (9-11), J. Johnson (2-5).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 13, 1997)
(Big Ten games only Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 5-3-0 Home 2-1-0 Away: 2-2-0 Neutral: 1-0-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Rachel Nelson.....	.519	8-8	27	12	14	0	0	1	7	17	.630	2	0	4	0	.552	0	1	6-7	9	0	2	.818
Amber Hegland.....	.481	8-8	27	4	13	1	0	0	9	14	.519	2	1	1	0	.533	0	0	1-1	4	14	2	.900
Laura Peters.....	.429	8-8	21	4	9	0	0	0	2	9	.429	3	0	4	0	.500	0	3	1-2	14	13	2	.931
Shannon Beeler.....	.375	8-8	24	3	9	2	0	0	5	11	.458	4	0	4	0	.464	0	0	0-0	14	13	2	.931
Chantell Jernell....	.333	2-1	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.333	0	0	1	0	.333	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Steph Midthun.....	.286	8-8	21	5	6	0	0	0	0	6	.286	0	0	0	0	.286	0	1	2-2	12	0	0	1.000
Ann Bartholmey.....	.250	8-8	20	0	5	2	0	0	2	7	.350	1	0	1	0	.286	0	1	0-0	29	7	0	1.000
Jennifer Fox.....	.250	5-5	16	1	4	1	0	0	4	5	.313	0	0	1	0	.250	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Renee Sbrocco.....	.211	7-6	19	4	4	0	0	1	6	7	.368	1	1	1	0	.286	0	1	0-0	4	0	0	1.000
Jodi Halvorson.....	.125	7-7	16	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	.125	2	0	2	0	.222	0	0	0-0	37	6	2	.956
Dana Ballard.....	.000	5-2	9	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	1	0	0-0	9	0	0	1.000
Tracy Carey.....	.000	4-2	6	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	.000	2	0	2	0	.250	0	0	0-0	15	3	0	1.000
Wendy Logue.....	.000	1-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	1.000
Aubree Espinosa....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Erin Brophy.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Lara Severson.....	.000	3-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Shannon Hansaann....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	5-0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Nhelle Bennett....	.000	5-0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.310	8-8	216	42	67	6	0	2	38	79	.366	17	2	23	0	.364	1	9	10-12	150	63	12	.947
Opponents.....	.245	8-8	188	23	46	4	3	2	20	62	.330	10	2	26	1	.290	0	13	0-4	149	63	15	.934

LOB - Team (54), Opp (40). DPS turned - Team (4), Opp (1). IBB - Team (0), Opp (2).

(Big Ten games only Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Jennifer Johnson....	1.68	3-2	6	3	2	1/1	1	25.0	17	8	6	5	21	2	1	2	97	.200	0	0	0	0	7
Wendy Logue.....	2.74	0-0	3	2	0	0/0	0	7.2	7	4	3	3	1	1	1	0	33	.250	0	0	0	0	2
Steph Klaviter.....	2.83	2-1	4	3	1	0/1	0	17.1	22	11	7	2	4	1	1	0	83	.293	1	2	0	0	4
Totals.....	2.24	5-3	8	8	3	2/1	1	50.0	46	23	16	10	26	4	3	2	213	.245	1	2	0	0	13
Opponents.....	4.37	3-5	8	8	3	0/0	0	49.2	67	42	31	17	23	6	0	2	245	.310	2	2	0	1	9

PB - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (0-3), S. Klaviter (0-2), W. Logue (0-1), J. Johnson (0-1).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Game Results for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 13, 1997)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend Time
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Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 11-1	11	15	0/1	4	1	5	1-0-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 1-0)	50
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 17-0	17	16	0/0	3	3	5	2-0-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 1-0)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Baylor	0-1 L	0	7	1/1	3	2	7	2-1-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (L 1-1)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Texas A&M	W 4-3	4	9	3/3	5	3	(8)	3-1-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 2-0)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Stephen F. Austin	3-6 L	3	9	4/6	9	0	7	3-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (L 2-1)	50
Feb 16, 1997	vs Louisiana Tech	W 2-0	2	6	0/0	3	2	7	4-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 1-0)	50
Feb 16, 1997	at Texas-Arlington	W 2-0	2	7	0/0	3	1	7	5-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 3-1)	50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 5-2	5	9	0/2	8	2	7	6-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 4-1)	50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 6-0	6	11	1/0	3	1	7	7-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 2-1)	50
Feb 21, 1997	vs Maryland	W 1-0	1	2	0/0	2	1	6	8-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 5-1)	50
Feb 21, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 4-0	4	10	0/0	3	2	5	9-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 3-1)	50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Robert Morris	W 15-1	15	14	1/1	6	1	4	10-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 4-1)	50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Temple	W 9-0	9	12	0/0	1	2	5	11-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 2-0)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Ohio	W 4-0	4	11	1/0	3	0	7	12-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 6-1)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Illinois-Chicago	W 3-1	3	10	0/1	3	0	7	13-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 3-0)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 8-0	8	10	1/0	3	3	5	14-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 5-1)	50
Feb 27, 1997	vs New Mexico	W 4-2	4	7	2/2	4	4	7	15-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 6-1)	50
Feb 27, 1997	vs Baylor	4-5 L	4	9	1/5	11	0	(8)	15-3-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 3-1)	50
Feb 28, 1997	vs Wichita State	W 6-2	6	8	0/2	6	2	7	16-3-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 7-1)	50
Feb 28, 1997	at New Mexico State	0-2 L	0	3	0/2	3	2	7	16-4-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 3-2)	50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Furman	W 8-1	8	12	1/1	3	0	7	17-4-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 8-1)	50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Ohio State	2-4 L	2	8	1/4	9	2	7	17-5-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (L 8-2)	50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Loyola	W 8-0	8	8	0/0	1	2	6	18-5-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 7-1)	50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Texas Tech	W 7-4	7	14	0/4	8	0	7	19-5-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 4-2)	50
Mar 24, 1997	at Georgia Tech	W 5-1	5	8	1/1	5	1	7	20-5-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 8-1)	30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	W 5-1	5	10	1/1	4	2	(8)	21-5-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 9-2)	30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	2-4 L	2	4	1/4	6	1	7	21-6-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 4-3)	30
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	1-3 L	1	3	1/3	4	3	7	21-7-0	0-1-0	J. Johnson (L 4-4)	80
*Mar 29, 1997	Michigan State	4-11 L	4	9	3/11	15	2	7	21-8-0	0-2-0	S. Klaviter (L 9-3)	105
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	2-3 L	2	5	1/3	8	1	7	21-9-0	0-3-0	J. Johnson (L 4-5)	105
Apr 02, 1997	vs Mankato State	W 5-0	5	7	1/0	4	4	7	22-9-0	0-3-0	J. Johnson (W 5-5)	265 5:30
Apr 02, 1997	vs Mankato State	W 3-2	3	8	1/2	6	1	7	23-9-0	0-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 10-3)	265 1:35
*Apr 05, 1997	vs Indiana	W 9-1	9	7	0/1	4	2	5	24-9-0	1-3-0	J. Johnson (W 6-5)	382 1:15
*Apr 05, 1997	vs Indiana	W 12-2	12	16	3/2	4	3	5	25-9-0	2-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 11-3)	382 1:45
Apr 09, 1997	Northern Iowa	W 2-0	2	4	1/0	4	1	7	26-9-0	2-3-0	W. Logue (W 9-1)	50 1:35
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 8-0	8	7	0/0	6	2	5	27-9-0	2-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 12-3)	50 1:35
*Apr 12, 1997	vs Penn State	W 3-0	3	5	1/0	2	2	7	28-9-0	3-3-0	J. Johnson (W 7-5)	340 1:50
*Apr 12, 1997	vs Penn State	W 7-0	7	11	2/0	5	1	7	29-9-0	4-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 13-3)	340 2:10
*Apr 13, 1997	vs Penn State	W 4-3	4	11	1/3	4	1	7	30-9-0	5-3-0	J. Johnson (W 8-5)	358 2:00

*Conference game
 ‡Tournament game
 () extra inning game

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 10-4

Big Ten: 5-3

Home: 6-2

Away: 3-2

Neutral: 1-0

Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State	W	6-1
3/9	# 24 Indiana	L	4-3
3/28	BYU-Hawaii	L	4-0
4/4	#69 Penn State	L	4-3
4/12	at #19 Michigan	L	7-0
4/13	at Michigan State	W	6-1
4/19	at Northwestern		
4/20	at Wisconsin		
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S TENNIS STATS

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	5-3	0-2		6-4	3-5	13-11	.590
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	2-1	0-6	1-1	2-8	.200
Jana Hrdinova			1-0	1-1	7-1	0-1	6-4	6-2	15-7	.700
Alice Rangsithienchai		10-3					7-3	4-2	17-6	.772
Nora Sauska	12-1						10-1	6-0	22-2	.904
Kim Simonsen		1-0	4-2	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	7-1	16-6	.727
Jenni Svehla			1-1	0-1			5-6	0-1	6-8	.428
Helen Wang					1-0	6-2	7-4	4-2	14-6	.684
Totals							47-31	31-14	105-54	.655

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins	0-4			4-3	0-3	4-7	.444
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-2		1-4	6-5	.545
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-2	3-2		3-2	5-4	.555
Hrdinova/Simonsen		1-1	0-1		1-2	1-2	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai		0-1	1-0		1-1	1-1	.500
Hayes/Wang			1-0		1-0	1-0	1.000
				13-13	7-10	36-32	.529



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Catch what you've been Missing!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, April 23
SB hosts Iowa (2) 3 p.m.***

Friday, April 25
TN at Big Ten Championships
(West Lafayette, IN)
TR at Drake Relays
(Des Moines, IA)
TR at Penn Relays
(Philadelphia, PA)

Saturday, April 26
SB hosts Ohio State (2) 1 p.m.
TN at Big Ten Championship
TR at Drake Relays
TR at Penn Relays
TR at Macalester
(St. Paul, MN)

Sunday, April 27
SB hosts Ohio State 12 noon
TN at Big Ten Championships

***Broadcast live on MSC

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Softball has final home Big Ten weekend versus Ohio State
- Tennis travels to Big Ten Championship
- Track and Field competes at Drake and Penn Relays

Last Week's Highlights

- Gymnastics places 10th at NCAA's; ties highest finish ever by a women's athletics team
- Mindy Knaeble and Judith Cavazos named all-Americans
- Tennis defeats Northwestern, plays #19 Wisconsin close
- Amber Hegland ties Minnesota career doubles record
- Jennifer Johnson records 500th career strikeout

Announcements

MINNESOTA TO HOLD BOOK FAIR--The University of Minnesota women's athletics department and Barnes & Noble Bookstores will host a book fair Saturday, May 3, at the Barnes and Noble in Burnsville from noon-3 p.m. Proceeds from the book fair will benefit the Berg Scholarship Fund.

MS. GOPHER GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED--The 1997 Ms. Gopher Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Friday, May 16, at the Les Bolstad Golf Course. The shotgun start is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. The cost of tournament is \$125 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch, and prizes, with all proceeds benefiting the Berg Scholarship Fund. For more information call 624-6587.

Tennis

MINNESOTA TRAVELS TO BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP--Minnesota, 11-5 overall and 6-4 in the Big Ten, travels to West Lafayette, Ind., Thursday-Sunday, April 24-27, for the 1997 Big Ten Tennis Championships. Minnesota is the fourth seed for the Championships and will play fifth-seeded Northwestern on Friday afternoon at 1:30 p.m.

ABOUT MINNESOTA--Minnesota split a pair of matches with a 5-2 victory over Northwestern and a close 4-3 loss to Wisconsin. The Gophers have been struggling of late losing five of their last seven matches.

After starting the fall season with a perfect 15-0 in doubles, Minnesota is inching ever closer to the .500 mark. Minnesota had lost the doubles point in four straight matches until winning the point against Michigan State and Northwestern.

At number one singles, newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROSMARTY GYMNASIUM)**, posts an impressive 23-3 record. Sauska had won 11 matches in a row before her losing to Michigan's Sarah Cyganiak March 12. Sauska then lost to Wisconsin's Melissa Zimpfer, who is ranked #6 in the nation.

The Gophers are playing with an extremely young lineup as three sophomores and three newcomers are currently in the top six. Juniors **JENNIFER HAYES (FOND DU LAC, WI/GOODRICH)** and **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)**, who is just back from a shoulder injury, have also seen time in the lineup this season.

Sauska leads the team in wins with 23 followed by **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** with 18. Newcomer **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/CENTRAL BUCKS WEST)** and **JANA HRDINOVA** are next with 16 victories.

ABOUT NORTHWESTERN--Minnesota is coming off a 5-2 win over the Wildcats. Minnesota won the doubles point and then won four of six singles matches.

Northwestern is ranked #42 in the nation and is led by Katherine Nasser and Marjorie Gantman. Gantman is a

former all-Big Ten player, while Nasser has moved into the #1 spot for the Wildcats.

MINNESOTA LINE-UP--Minnesota will play three newcomers and three sophomores in the starting lineup at Big Ten's: The probable lineup:

Singles:

#1 Nora Sauska
#2 Alice Rangsithienchai
#3 Kim Simonsen
#4 Jana Hrdinova
#5 Tarah Elkins
#6 Helen Wang

Doubles:

#1 Svehla/Elkins
#2 Rangsithienchai/Sauska
#3 Simonsen/Hrdinova

MINNESOTA DROPS IN NATIONAL RANKINGS--After moving to #28 in the national rankings earlier in the season, Minnesota fell to #47 in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings. The #28-ranking was the highest Minnesota has ever been ranked in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings.

SAUSKA DROPS TO #56--Newcomer Nora Sauska dropped to #56 in the last Rolex Rankings. Sauska had moved up to #40 tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher Tiffany Gates was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

GOPHER REWIND-- Minnesota defeated Northwestern, 5-2, in Evanston, Ill. The Gophers started strong by winning the doubles point and then taking four of six singles matches. Nora Sauska won her 23rd match of the season with a 6-3, 6-1 win over Katherine Nasser. Other singles winners were Jana Hrdinova, Tarah Elkins and Helen Wang.

WISCONSIN--Minnesota lost to Wisconsin, 4-3, in Madison, Wis. The Gophers lost the doubles point, then rallied by winning three singles matches, but Wisconsin pulled it out in the end to win 4-3. Winners for Minnesota were Alice Rangsithienchai, Tarah Elkins and Jennifer Hayes.

MINNESOTA SINGLES DOMINATES DURING SPRING--The singles play of the Gophers has been fantastic this spring as they have lost only 28 singles matches. The Gophers singles record is currently 62-28 (.688) for the dual meet season.

DOUBLES IS STRUGGLING--Minnesota had been undefeated (15-0) in doubles until getting swept by Illinois February 16. Minnesota then lost the doubles point to Iowa, Maryland, BYU-Hawaii, Penn State, Michigan and Indiana. The Gophers are 25-23 in doubles during the dual meet season.

SAUSKA HAS SHOT AT SINGLE-SEASON PERCENTAGE MARK--With her 23-3 record, Nora Sauska is winning at a .885 clip. The Minnesota record for singles winning percentage in a season is .900, set by Marnie Wheaton in 1975-76.

SAUSKA COULD ENTER TOP TEN SEASON LIST--Nora Sauska is only six wins away from entering the Minnesota top ten list for wins in a season. Tenth place is currently held by Peg Chutich and Patty Moran with 29 wins apiece.

Softball

GOPHERS HOST IOWA AND OHIO STATE THIS WEEK— The University of Minnesota softball team hosts rivals Iowa and Ohio State in important Big Ten games this week. The Gophers, 31-13 overall and 6-7 in conference action, play a doubleheader against the Hawkeyes on Wednesday, April 23, with a 3 p.m. start time. Iowa leads the Big Ten with a perfect 12-0 league mark, 36-5 overall. Minnesota and Ohio State will play a three-game series on Saturday and Sunday, April 26-27. Saturday's doubleheader gets underway at 1 p.m., with a single game on Sunday slated for noon. Ohio State is 17-22 and 2-10 in conference play.

GOPHERS RANKED 14TH — The Gophers were ranked #15 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Fresno State (39-6) held on to the #1 spot for the second straight week. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 15. Iowa leads the way ranked #5, followed by Michigan State at #8, defending conference champion Michigan at #12, and Minnesota at #14.

TWO INDUCTED INTO SOFTBALL HALL OF FAME — Former Gopher softball players Sarah Maschka and Tabbetha Woody-LaPanta will be inducted into the Minnesota Softball Hall of Fame after the first game on Saturday, April 26.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (HS/College)
C	14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B	21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
2B	12	Laura Peters	L/R	Jr.	Cottage Grove, MN
3B	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
SS	5	Shannon Beeler	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF	2	Steph Midthun	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF	1	Rachel Nelson	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
RF	6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)
DP	20	Jennifer Fox	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN— Minnesota head coach Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien enters her sixth season with the Gophers sporting an overall coaching record of 186-155-1 (.545). Bernstein-O'Brien owns a Big Ten record of 74-71 (.510) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach Julie Standerling is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while Jennifer McGuinness is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

JOHNSON HITS 500 MILESTONE — Senior pitcher Jennifer Johnson has owned the Minnesota career record for strikeouts for over a year but last weekend she raised that record to a new level by notching the 500th strikeout of her career. On the season, Johnson has struck out 91 batters in compiling an 8-7 record.

HOME FIELD MAGIC — The Gophers play their next five games on their Bierman Softball Complex home field. Minnesota is a perfect 7-0 at home this season.

THOSE ONE-RUN GAMES — Four of Minnesota's five games last week were decided by a one-run margin, two of them in an extra inning. The Gophers won only one of those one-run games, a 1-0 win against Northwestern. On the season, Minnesota is 5-6 in one-run games.

LEFT THE BATS AT HOME — The Gophers welcome the chance to hit in their own ballpark after they struggled offensively on the road last week. Minnesota collected six hits in each of the games at Northwestern and then only three hits in each of three games at Michigan. Shannon Beeler and Jennifer Fox led the team, both players going 5-for-15 from the plate for a .333 batting average on the week.

HEGLAND TIES CAREER DOUBLES MARK — Amber Hegland's double in the first game against Michigan gave her 39 for her career and tied her for the career doubles mark in Minnesota history. She shares the record with Barb Drake (1984-87).

HEGLAND BUILDS ON CAREER RBI RECORD — Junior all-American Amber Hegland joined in on the record-breaking parade by setting the new career RBI record with 128. Hegland surpassed the old record of 117 by Gopher Hall of Famer Shelly Medernach (1976-79).

RECORD ROUND-TRIPPERS — Sophomore shortstop Shannon Beeler is tied for the Minnesota career home run record. Beeler belted her fourth and fifth homers of the season in the Troy Cox Invitational to give her 15 in her brief career as a Gopher. Beeler shares the record with current Minnesota assistant coach Jennifer McGuinness, who played for the Gophers from 1991-94.

NELSON'S HIT COUNT — All-America outfielder Rachel Nelson recorded her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over Robert Morris, during the Triangle Classic on Feb. 22, to set a new Minnesota career hits record. Nelson currently has 304 hits in her career.

CLIMBING THE CHARTS — Rachel Nelson's assault on the record books has now extended to the NCAA record book as well. Nelson is currently tied for sixth on the NCAA career hits list with 304 in her career. Arizona's Amy Chellevoid is the best all-time with 371 hits from 1992-95.

NCAA Career Hits	Years	Games	Hits	Avg
1. Amy Chellevoid	1992-95	255	371	.415
Arizona				

2.	Tiff Tootle South Carolina	1990-93	242	351	.432
3.	Robyn Yorke Fresno State	1994-	220	335	.447
4.	Martha Noffsinger Fresno State	1987-90	291	327	.335
5.	Michelle Minton Coastal Carolina	1991-94	199	308	.458
6.	Dana Fulmer South Carolina	1992-95	268	304	.368
	Rachel Nelson Minnesota	1994-	222	304	.392
8.	Denelle Hicks Campbell	1993-96	219	300	.446

THE SCOUTING REPORT —

Iowa— Iowa has made trips to the last two College World Series and the #5 ranked Hawkeyes are 36-5 overall entering the week in their bid for a third consecutive appearance. The Hawkeyes are a perfect 12-0 in Big Ten play coming off a three-game sweep of Ohio State last weekend. Third-team all-America shortstop **Christy Hebert** leads a potent Iowa squad which has four starters batting over .400 and checks in at a hefty .363 as a team. Hebert tops the list with a .435 batting average and a team-high 46 runs scored. Leftfielder **Lea Twigg** is hitting at a .426 average, while catcher **Brandi Macias** is at .411 and **Debbie Bilbao**, who spends time at third base when not pitching, owns a .407 batting average. From the mound, **Bilbao** is the ace of the Hawkeye staff owning an impressive 20-3 record and a 1.05 ERA.

Iowa head coach **Gayle Blevins** is in her 10th season with the Hawkeyes and owns a record of 403-188. In 18 years of collegiate coaching, **Blevins** has compiled 704 coaching victories, the fifth-highest mark in NCAA Division I history.

The Series - Minnesota leads, 34-32.

Ohio State — Ohio State is 17-22 (2-10 Big Ten) heading into its action this week, which includes a doubleheader at Penn State on Tuesday (April 22). The Buckeyes were swept by Iowa in three games last weekend, extending their Big Ten losing streak to 10 games. Ohio State features two all-Big Ten performers in its lineup, catcher **Amy Haug** and **Candace Kollen** at second base. **Haug** leads the team with a .378 batting average but has been playing in a designated player role and not at catcher due to a knee injury. **Kollen** owns a .282 batting average. Pitcher **Jodi Dolan** has worked the most innings (107.1) and owns a 6-9 record. **Dolan** also sees time in centerfield when not on the mound and owns a .339 batting average.

Ohio State head coach **Linda Kalafatis** is in her first season with the Buckeyes.

The Series - Minnesota leads, 42-17.

UP NEXT — Minnesota closes its regular-season schedule at Wisconsin on Tuesday, April 29, at home versus Drake on Thursday, May 1 and at Purdue on Saturday-Sunday, May 3-4.

Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota will travel to three meets on April 25: the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa; the Penn Relays in Philadelphia, Pa.; and the Macalaster Invitational in St. Paul, Minn.

GOPHER REWIND: MT. SAC RELAYS — Frosh **NATALIE SMITH** (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL) placed fourth in the long jump at the Mt. San Antonio College Relays in Walnut, Calif. Her mark of 18-7 1/4 was also the fourth best in Minnesota history. New-comer **NICOLE CHIMKO** (ALDERSYDE, ALBERTA/FOOTHILLS COMPOSITE) placed second in the javelin with a toss of 152-7. Senior **DANI PARKOS** (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL) finished ninth in the discus with a throw of 157-6.

OTHER MT. SAC RESULTS — The 4x100-meter relay team recorded the seventh-fastest Minnesota time ever at :47.68. **YVETTE WHITE** (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON) ran the 400-meter hurdles in a season-best 1:00.9. **ANNA GULLINGSRUD** (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) recorded a time of 36:26.72 in her first 10,000 meters of the season. **MINNA HARONOJA** (ILLO, FINLAND/VAMMALA), **ANDREA LENTZ** (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR) and **KAREN KLEINDL** (GRACEVILLE, MN/CLINTON-GRACEVILLE) each set a personal record in the 1500 meters. **Haronoja's** 4:34.63 was a personal-best by almost eight seconds. **Lentz** set her mark at 4:34.71 and **Kleindl** at 4:42.17.

GOPHER REWIND: MANITOU CLASSIC — Minnesota also competed at the Manitou Classic in Northfield, Minn. The Gophers tied for 11th place with 29 points. St. Thomas was the team winner with 111.5.

INDIVIDUAL MANITOU RESULTS — **KRISTIE STILES** (EDEN PRAIRIE, MN/EDEN PRAIRIE) placed second in the 800 in 2:17.85. In the 3000 meters, **AMY HOEL** (CORNELL, WI/CORNELL) placed second (10:36.93) and **GILLIAN HARO** (MINNEAPOLIS, MN/SOUTHWEST) third (10:39.36). Other top-10 results for the Gophers: **ALISA GARTNER** (BUFFALO, MN/BUFFALO), fifth in the 400 meters; **KAY FULLER** (VERNDALE, MN/VERNDALE), eighth in the 400 hurdles; and **ANDREA SWANSBY** (PEWAUKEE, WI/KETTLE MORAINES), eighth in the 5000 meters.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE —

April 25-26	at Drake Relays (Des Moines, IA)	
	at Penn Relays (Philadelphia, PA)	
	at Macalaster (St. Paul, MN)	
May 3	Minnesota Classic	10 a.m.
May 10	Minnesota Open	10 a.m.
May 17	Minnesota Last Chance	10 a.m.
May 23-25	at Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)	
June 4-7	at NCAA Championships (Bloomington, IL)	

Gymnastics

MINNESOTA FINISHES 10TH AT NCAA'S--Minnesota finished 10th in the nation at the NCAA Gymnastics Championships in Gainesville, Fla. The 10th-place finish ties the highest national finish ever for a women's athletics team during the NCAA era at the University of Minnesota. Swimming and Diving placed 10th in 1992, while cross country was 10th in 1983.

Minnesota was participating in its first NCAA Championships as a team and finished sixth in its session with a score of 194.775. It was the fifth highest score ever recorded by a Minnesota gymnastics team and combined with the morning session, put Minnesota ahead of Louisiana State and Penn State in the final rankings.

UCLA won its first national championship, followed by Arizona State, Georgia, Michigan, Florida and Nebraska. History was made at the NCAA Championships this year as nine-time national champion Utah and defending national champion Alabama failed to advance to Friday's Super Six competition

MINNESOTA'S PERFORMANCE--Minnesota had a perfect night hitting 23 of 23 routines Thursday night. The Gophers started the first rotation on the beam, scoring a 48.450, led by **Mindy Knaeble**, who scored a 9.775. **Lacey Purkat** and **Cathy Keyser** had 9.75's on the beam.

Minnesota then rotated to the floor and scored a 48.725. The Gophers were led by **Knaeble**, with the 9.85. **Kristen Vandersall**, competing in her last meet as a Gopher, had 9.75 on the floor, while **Mindy Myhre** had a 9.725.

The Gophers were on the vault for the fourth rotation and finished with a 48.625, the sixth-highest vault score in school history. **Kim Sveum** had the high score for Minnesota with a 9.825. **Stacey Batza** followed with a 9.80.

The Gophers concluded the evening on the bars where they recorded a 48.975, tying the third-highest score recorded in Gopher history. **Judith Cavazos**, who only performed on the bars after suffering an ankle injury at the Central Regionals two weeks earlier, turned in an outstanding performance and scored a 9.875. **Vandersall** also had her best routine of the year with a 9.85, while **Cathy Keyser** had a 9.80. **Lacey Purkat** also recorded a season-high 9.75.

KNAEBLE NAMED AND CAVAZOS NAMED ALL-AMERICANS--Junior **Mindy Knaeble** earned first-team all-America honors on the floor exercise, while newcomer **Judith Cavazos** was a second-team all-American on the uneven bars after their performances at the 1997 NCAA Championships in Gainesville, Fla. It was the first-time that Minnesota had two athletes earn all-America honors in the same year during the NCAA era.

Knaeble was named to the first-team after scoring a 9.85 on Thursday and advancing to Saturday's individual finals. In the individual finals, **Knaeble** scored a 9.70 on the floor to finish ninth. **Knaeble** became Minnesota's first first-team all-American since **Marie Roethlisberger** earned the honors in three

events in 1990.

Cavazos scored a 9.875 in Thursday's competition to earn second-team all-American honors.

KNAEBLE NINTH ON FLOOR--Junior **Mindy Knaeble** placed ninth on the floor exercise in the individual competition at the NCAA Championships. **Knaeble** scored a 9.70 despite going out of bounds on her first tumbling pass of her routine. Results from the floor exercise:

Floor Exercise: 1. Leah Brown, Georgia, 9.95; 2. Elizabeth Reid, Arizona State, 9.90; 3. Kim Arnold, Georgia, 9.90; 4. Meredith Willard, Alabama, 9.85; 4. Heather Kabnick, Michigan, 9.850; 6. Klara Kudlikova, Washington, 9.825; 6. Leslie Angeles, Georgia, 9.825; 8. Amy Smith, UCLA, 9.800; 9. Mindy Knaeble, Minnesota, 9.70; 10. Tiffany Simpson, Washington, 9.675; 11. Misty Oxford, Nebraska, 9.100

INDIVIDUAL EVENT WINNERS--**Susan Hines** of Florida was the individual champion on the vault, while **Jenni Beathard** of Georgia won the bars with a 9.95. On the beam, co-champions were crowned with **Summer Reid** of Utah and **Elizabeth Reid** of Arizona State winning the title with 9.90. Georgia's **Leah Brown** won the floor with a 9.95. Georgia's **Kim Arnold** won the all-around with a 39.550.

MINNESOTA CONCLUDES MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR IN HISTORY--Minnesota concluded its most successful year in history with its trip to the NCAA Championships. A recap of the records broken and honors garnered for the 1997 Gophers:

Team Records:

Team score: 196.300	Big Ten Championships (3/22)
Vault: 49.125	Corvette Cup (3/9)
Beam: 49.300	Big Ten Championships (3/22)
Floor: 49.275	Corvette Cup (3/9)

Individual Records:

Vault: **Kim Sveum**, 9.925
at Corvette Cup (3/22)
Beam: **Mindy Knaeble**, 9.95
at Big Ten Champ. (3/22)
Floor: **Kristen Vandersall**, 9.95
Judith Cavazos, 9.95
vs. Iowa State (3/14)
All Around: **Judith Cavazos**, 39.300
vs. Utah (2/15)

Honors and Awards:

Ist-ever NCAA Appearance as a team (10th place)
NCAA Central Regionals (4th)
Big Ten Championships (2nd)

Jim Stephenson--Big Ten Coach of the Year
Mindy Knaeble--First-team all-American; NCAA individual finalist on the floor; Big Ten co-champion on beam, first-team all-Big Ten

Judith Cavazos--Second-team all-American

Golf

GOLF LOOKS FOWARD TO BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP-

-The University of Minnesota women's golf team has an open weekend April 25-27, as they prepare for the conference championships. The 16th Annual Big Ten Women's Golf Championship, May 2-4, is at the Forest Akers West Golf Course in East Lansing, Mich. The 72-hole tournament, hosted by Michigan State, features 36-holes the first day and 18-holes each of the next two days.

The Forest Akers West Golf Course, playing at 7,012 yards with par of 72, was the site of the 1994 NCAA Women's East Regional Golf Championship. While Minnesota competed at the 1994 East Regional, no members of the current Gopher team have played the golf course in competition.

MINNESOTA SIXTH AT IOWA - Minnesota was sixth at the Hawkeye Invitational, April 19-20, with rounds of 320, 318 and 310 to finish at 948. Ohio State led the field of eight teams at 907 and was followed by Indiana (926), Purdue (938), Iowa (940), Wisconsin (947), Minnesota, Northwestern (962) and Michigan State (975).

GOPHER AND TOURNAMENT LEADER - The Gophers were led by senior **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVERS FALLS, WI)** with a ninth-place tie at 233 after rounds of 81, 76 and 76. Ohio State's Jessica Luciuk was first with a one-over par 220 with marks of 70, 77 and 73.

MORE MINNESOTA SCORES

Sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** tied for 13th at 79, 84 and 73 for 236.

Junior **AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE)** tied for 25th with a final 241 after scores of 83, 78 and 80.

Junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI)** tied for 31st with rounds of 81, 87 and 82 to finish at 243.

Sophomore **MICHELLE BALLOU (CHASKA, MN)** was 42nd with marks of 79, 91 and 81 for 251.

Sophomore **KRISTI WEICHERT (CALEDONIA, MN)**, in her first road trip appearance for the Gophers, place 46th at 258 with scores of 81, 90 and 87.

Diving

BERG AND HANSEN PLACE IN TWO EVENTS AT DIVING NATIONALS--Minnesota seniors **ANDREA BERG (ISSAQUAH, WA/LIBERTY)** and **CARRIE HANSEN (LAKEVILLE, MN/ROSEMOUNT)** placed in both synchronized diving events at the 1997 U.S. Spring National Diving Championships in Beaverton, Ore., April 15-20. **Hansen** and **Berg** finished second in the synchronized platform diving event with 225.54 points. The twosome was also fourth in the 3-meter springboard synchronized diving competition with 237.96 points. Competing individually, **Berg** was 23rd in 1-meter diving with 200.01 points and was also 23rd in 3-meter diving with 215.01 points.

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 11-5 Big Ten: 6-4 Home: 6-2 Away: 4-3 Neutral: 1-0
 Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State	W	6-1
3/9	# 24 Indiana	L	4-3
3/28	BYU-Hawaii	L	4-0
4/4	#69 Penn State	L	4-3
4/12	at #19 Michigan	L	7-0
4/13	at Michigan State	W	6-1
4/19	at #42 Northwestern	W	5-2
4/20	at #19 Wisconsin	L	4-3
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S TENNIS STATS

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	5-3	2-2		6-4	5-5	15-11	.576
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	3-1	0-6	2-1	3-8	.375
Jana Hrdinova			1-0	2-2	7-1	0-1	6-4	7-3	16-8	.667
Alice Rangsithienchai		11-4					7-3	5-3	18-7	.725
Nora Sauska	13-2						10-1	7-2	23-3	.884
Kim Simonsen		1-0	4-4	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	7-3	16-8	.667
Jenni Svehla			1-1	0-1			5-6	0-1	6-8	.428
Helen Wang					1-0	7-2	7-4	5-2	15-6	.714
Totals							47-31	38-19	112-59	.655

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins	0-6			4-3	0-5	4-9	.444
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-2		1-4	6-5	.545
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-2	3-2		3-2	5-4	.555
Hrdinova/Simonsen		1-1	1-2		2-3	2-3	.400
Sauska/Rangsithienchai		1-2	1-0		2-2	2-2	.500
Hayes/Wang			1-0		1-0	1-0	1.000
				13-13	9-14	38-36	.513

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 20, 1997)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 31-13-0 Home 7-0-0 Away: 6-9-0 Neutral: 18-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Lara Severson.....	.417	26-1	12	8	5	0	0	0	2	5	.417	0	0	1	0	.417	0	1	2-2	3	0	0	1.000
Rachel Nelson.....	.411	44-44	151	41	62	3	2	1	26	72	.477	15	0	21	0	.464	0	3	23-28	38	1	3	.929
Amber Hegland.....	.408	44-44	130	23	53	6	0	1	35	62	.477	24	2	8	0	.503	1	0	4-6	25	43	4	.944
Chantell Jernell....	.375	11-1	8	4	3	0	0	0	2	3	.375	0	1	2	0	.444	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Laura Peters.....	.355	42-39	93	20	33	0	0	0	4	33	.355	11	1	15	0	.429	0	13	17-19	75	64	6	.959
Steph Midthun.....	.349	38-37	106	22	37	2	0	0	5	39	.368	6	1	6	0	.389	0	8	10-11	35	0	2	.946
Shannon Beeler.....	.324	44-44	139	19	45	9	2	5	40	73	.525	16	0	11	0	.391	1	0	3-3	63	108	10	.945
Ann Bartholmey.....	.303	44-44	99	11	30	5	1	1	12	40	.404	2	7	2	0	.361	0	9	1-2	192	27	2	.991
Jennifer Fox.....	.281	33-16	64	6	18	5	0	0	15	23	.359	1	0	3	0	.292	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Tracy Carey.....	.241	34-29	87	9	21	5	2	2	12	36	.414	10	0	13	0	.320	0	2	0-0	230	11	3	.988
Jodi Halvorson.....	.233	42-42	103	9	24	1	0	0	7	25	.243	8	0	10	0	.288	0	4	0-1	106	88	7	.965
Renee Sbrocco.....	.183	38-31	93	15	17	2	0	1	12	22	.237	3	2	9	0	.224	0	3	1-1	17	1	1	.947
Wendy Logue.....	.182	4-4	11	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.182	0	0	3	0	.182	0	0	0-0	14	35	1	.980
Dana Ballard.....	.173	35-22	75	8	13	3	0	1	11	19	.253	6	3	10	0	.259	1	0	2-4	34	1	1	.972
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	10-0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.222	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Bauer.....	.000	1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
Erin Brophy.....	.000	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Aubree Espinosa.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Michelle Bennett....	.000	29-0	1	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-3	0	0	0	.000
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	12-0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.307	44-44	1184	212	363	41	7	12	185	454	.383	104	17	119	0	.370	3	45	67-83	842	413	42	.968
Opponents.....	.209	44-44	1030	83	215	22	8	11	73	286	.278	50	6	177	1	.249	3	36	23-39	835	407	69	.947

LOB - Team (307), Opp (201). DPs turned - Team (7), Opp (6). TPs turned - Team (1). IBB - Team (2), A. Hegland 1, T. Carey 1, Opp (3).

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Jennifer Bauer.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	3.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	14	.100	0	0	0	0	0
Wendy Logue.....	1.41	10-3	20	15	7	5/2	0	89.2	68	26	18	15	25	7	5	1	354	.209	3	0	0	1	12
Jennifer Johnson....	1.52	8-7	24	11	5	2/5	6	83.0	49	22	18	12	91	7	1	8	313	.170	1	1	0	1	11
Steph Klaviter.....	1.53	13-3	22	18	9	3/3	0	105.0	97	35	23	19	59	8	2	2	444	.239	2	5	0	1	13
Totals.....	1.47	31-13	44	44	21	16/6	6	280.2	215	83	59	50	177	22	8	11	1125	.209	6	6	0	3	36
Opponents.....	4.02	13-31	44	44	29	3/0	1	278.1	363	212	160	104	119	41	7	12	1353	.307	12	17	0	3	45

PB - Team (2), A Bartholmey 2, Opp (10). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (23-37), S. Klaviter (10-19), W. Logue (11-15), J. Johnson (2-5).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Game Results for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 20, 1997)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend Time	
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Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 11-1	11	15	0/	1	4	1	5	1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 1-0)	50	
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 17-0	17	16	0/	0	3	3	5	2- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 1-0)	50	
Feb 15, 1997	vs Baylor	0-1 L	0	7	1/	1	3	2	7	2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (L 1-1)	50	
Feb 15, 1997	vs Texas A&M	W 4-3	4	9	3/	3	5	3	(8)	3- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 2-0)	50	
Feb 15, 1997	vs Stephen F. Austin	3-6 L	3	9	4/	6	9	0	7	3- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (L 2-1)	50	
Feb 16, 1997	vs Louisiana Tech	W 2-0	2	6	0/	0	3	2	7	4- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 1-0)	50	
Feb 16, 1997	at Texas-Arlington	W 2-0	2	7	0/	0	3	1	7	5- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 3-1)	50	
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 5-2	5	9	0/	2	8	2	7	6- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 4-1)	50	
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 6-0	6	11	1/	0	3	1	7	7- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 2-1)	50	
Feb 21, 1997	vs Maryland	W 1-0	1	2	0/	0	2	1	6	8- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 5-1)	50	
Feb 21, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 4-0	4	10	0/	0	3	2	5	9- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 3-1)	50	
Feb 22, 1997	vs Robert Morris	W 15-1	15	14	1/	1	6	1	4	10- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 4-1)	50	
Feb 22, 1997	vs Temple	W 9-0	9	12	0/	0	1	2	5	11- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 2-0)	50	
Feb 23, 1997	vs Ohio	W 4-0	4	11	1/	0	3	0	7	12- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 6-1)	50	
Feb 23, 1997	vs Illinois-Chicago	W 3-1	3	10	0/	1	3	0	7	13- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 3-0)	50	
Feb 23, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 8-0	8	10	1/	0	3	3	5	14- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 5-1)	50	
Feb 27, 1997	vs New Mexico	W 4-2	4	7	2/	2	4	4	7	15- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 6-1)	50	
Feb 27, 1997	vs Baylor	4-5 L	4	9	1/	5	11	0	(8)	15- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (L 6-2)	50	
Feb 28, 1997	vs Wichita State	W 6-2	6	8	0/	2	6	2	7	16- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 7-1)	50	
Feb 28, 1997	at New Mexico State	0-2 L	0	3	0/	2	3	2	7	16- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 3-1)	50	
Mar 1, 1997	vs Furman	W 8-1	8	12	1/	1	3	0	7	17- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 8-1)	50	
Mar 1, 1997	vs Ohio State	2-4 L	2	8	1/	4	9	2	7	17- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (L 8-2)	50	
Mar 2, 1997	vs Loyola	W 8-0	8	8	0/	0	1	2	6	18- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 7-2)	50	
Mar 2, 1997	vs Texas Tech	W 7-4	7	14	0/	4	8	0	7	19- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 4-1)	50	
Mar 24, 1997	at Georgia Tech	W 5-1	5	8	1/	1	5	1	7	20- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 8-2)	30	
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	W 5-1	5	10	1/	1	4	2	(8)	21- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 9-2)	30	
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	2-4 L	2	4	1/	4	6	1	7	21- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-2)	30	
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	1-3 L	1	3	1/	3	4	3	7	21- 7- 0	0- 1- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-3)	80	
*Mar 29, 1997	vs Michigan State	4-11 L	4	9	3/	11	15	2	7	21- 8- 0	0- 2- 0	S. Klaviter (L 9-3)	105	
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	2-3 L	2	5	1/	3	8	1	7	21- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-4)	105	
Apr 02, 1997	Mankato State	W 5-0	5	7	1/	0	4	4	7	22- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 5-4)	265 5:30	
Apr 02, 1997	Mankato State	W 3-2	3	8	1/	2	6	1	7	23- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 10-3)	265 1:35	
*Apr 05, 1997	Indiana	W 9-1	9	7	0/	1	4	2	5	24- 9- 0	1- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 6-4)	382 1:15	
*Apr 05, 1997	vs Indiana	W 12-2	12	16	3/	2	4	3	5	25- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 11-3)	382 1:45	
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 2-0	2	4	1/	0	4	1	7	26- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	W. Logue (W 9-2)	50 1:35	
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 8-0	8	7	0/	0	6	2	5	27- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 12-3)	50 1:35	
*Apr 12, 1997	Penn State	W 3-0	3	5	1/	0	2	2	7	28- 9- 0	3- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 7-4)	340 1:50	
*Apr 12, 1997	vs Penn State	W 7-0	7	11	2/	0	5	1	7	29- 9- 0	4- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 13-3)	340 2:10	
*Apr 13, 1997	Penn State	W 4-3	4	11	1/	3	4	1	7	30- 9- 0	5- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 8-4)	358 2:00	
*Apr 16, 1997	at Northwestern	3-4 L	3	6	0/	4	2	0	7	30-10- 0	5- 4- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-5)	50 1:45	
*Apr 16, 1997	vs Northwestern	W 1-0	1	6	1/	0	4	0	(8)	31-10- 0	6- 4- 0	W. Logue (W 10-2)	50 1:45	
*Apr 19, 1997	at Michigan	1-2 L	1	3	2/	2	6	1	(8)	31-11- 0	6- 5- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-6)	308 2:05	
*Apr 19, 1997	vs Michigan	2-10 L	2	3	2/	10	10	2	6	31-12- 0	6- 6- 0	W. Logue (L 10-3)	308 1:50	
*Apr 20, 1997	at Michigan	0-1 L	0	3	2/	1	5	3	7	31-13- 0	6- 7- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-7)	379 1:35	

*Conference game
 #Tournament game
 () extra inning game

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters

1. Chanteau White (a) (trials)	:12.38
2. Kim Heath (c) (trials)	:12.59
3. Kim Heath (a) (trials)	:12.64

400 meters

1. Shellie Braggs (a)	:58.98
2. Kristie Stiles (a)	:59.52

800 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (e)	2:17.85
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1500 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (d)	4:34.63
2. Andrea Lentz (d)	4:34.71
3. Karen Kleindl (d)	4:42.17

3000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40
2. Andrea Lentz (a)	10:25.33
3. Amy Hoel (e)	10:36.93

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (c)	17:37.46
2. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24
3. Andrea Swansby (e)	19:01.17

10,000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (d)	36:26.72
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100-meter hurdles

1. Chanteau White (a)	:14.86
2. Yvette White (c)	:14.89
3. Yvette White (a)	:14.97

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (a)	1:05.10
2. Yvette White (c)	1:06.41
3. Kay Fuller (e)	1:08.18

4x100-meter Relay

1. Heath, Hofner, Braggs, Y. White (c)	:50.74
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4x400-meter Relay

1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
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4x800-meter Relay

1. Haronoja, Kleindl, Stiles, Zweig (a)	9:36.15
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4x1500-meter Relay

1. Lentz, Haronoja, Kleindl, Zweig (a)	19:40.76
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High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (c)	5-5 (1.65)
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Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith (d)	18-7 1/4 (5.67)
2. Natalie Smith (c)	18-3 (5.57)

Triple Jump

1. Natalie Smith (a)	37-10 1/2 (11.54)
2. Natalie Smith (c)	37-5 (11.42)
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (c)	37-4 (11.38)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (a) *	48-1 1/4 (14.66)
2. Tina McDonald (b) *	47-10 (14.58)
3. Tina McDonald (a)	46-9 (14.25)

Discus

1. Dani Parkos (b) *	168-11 (51.48)
2. Dani Parkos (a) *	161-5 (49.20)
3. Dani Parkos (c)	158-11 (48.44)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11 (47.84)
2. Nicole Chimko (d)	152-7 (46.52)
3. Nicole Chimko (c)	148-7 (45.28)

* NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, NC)

(b) Texas Relays (Austin, TX)

(c) Tom Botts Invitational (Columbia, MO)

(d) Mt. Sac Relays (Walnut, CA)

(e) Manitou Track and Field Classic (Northfield, MN)

1997 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA RESULTS

OPPONENT	TEAM SCORE		VAULT		BARS		BEAM		FLOOR	
	MINN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP	MN	OPP
1/11--Best of MN	192.825		48.100		47.825		47.700		49.200	
Gustavus Adolphus		168.400		43.850		39.100		42.150		43.300
Hamline		169.450		43.150		37.600		43.150		45.550
Winona State		179.575		44.850		43.825		44.125		46.775
1/18--at #5 Michigan	192.100	193.525	48.225	48.825	47.550	49.150	47.375	48.400	48.950	47.150
1/25--#12 Arizona	191.800	191.425	47.775	47.800	47.175	48.300	47.975	47.400	48.875	47.925
1/31--at #11 Utah St.	193.650	193.825	48.275	48.400	48.100	48.375	48.150	48.075	49.125	48.975
2/8--at Iowa State	193.700	191.900	48.750	48.475	48.625	47.350	47.700	48.475	48.625	47.600
2/15--#2 Utah	195.000	195.050	48.550	48.775	48.800	48.900	48.425	48.400	49.225	48.975
2/21--at UMass	193.650		48.675		48.700		47.375		48.900	
#20 UMass		194.900		48.425		48.975		48.525		48.975
Vermont		181.275		44.300		46.850		45.325		44.800
MIT		176.050		44.075		42.850		44.625		44.500
3/1-- OSU/IL	194.500		48.150		48.650		48.475		49.225	
Ohio State		192.225		48.475		47.000		48.375		48.375
Illinois		188.775		47.675		45.950		47.725		47.425
3/9--at Missouri	193.775		49.125		48.775		46.600		49.275	
Missouri		192.925		48.600		47.250		48.625		48.450
Eastern Michigan		191.850		48.050		48.150		47.325		48.325
Iowa		189.800		47.775		48.400		45.900		47.725
3/14--#14 Iowa State	194.850	194.725	48.900	48.575	48.925	48.250	47.800	48.875	49.225	49.025
3/22--Big Ten Champ.	196.350		49.075		49.000		49.300		48.975	
Michigan		197.150		49.500		49.300		48.875		49.475
Ohio State		195.825		48.975		49.125		48.875		48.850
Michigan State		195.475		49.025		48.125		49.300		49.025
Penn State		194.300		48.600		48.775		48.700		48.225
Illinois		194.075		48.450		48.250		48.750		48.625
Iowa		193.725		48.075		48.350		48.550		48.750
4/5--NCAA Region	195.125		49.000		48.975		48.125		49.025	
Michigan		197.700		49.550		49.450		49.200		49.500
Alabama		196.250		49.175		48.525		49.025		49.525
LSU		196.175		49.275		49.000		49.225		48.675
Michigan State		194.700		48.975		48.150		48.625		48.950
Iowa State		194.475		48.325		48.375		48.725		49.050
SE Missouri		193.450		48.800		48.075		47.900		48.675
4/17 NCAA Champ.	194.775		48.625		48.975		48.450		48.725	

1997 MINNESOTA INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM HIGHS BY EVENT--

VAULT	Kim Sveum	9.925*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
UNEVEN BARS	Judith Cavazos	9.875	Three times (Last at Big Ten's 3/22)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.875	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
BALANCE BEAM	Mindy Knaeble	9.950*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
FLOOR EXERCISE	Judith Cavazos	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
	Kristen Vandersall	9.950*	vs. Iowa State (3/14/97)
ALL-AROUND	Judith Cavazos	39.300*	vs. Utah (2/15/97)
TEAM VAULT		49.125*	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TEAM UNEVEN BARS		49.000	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM BALANCE BEAM		49.300*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)
TEAM FLOOR EXERCISE		49.275**	at Missouri (3/9/97)
TOTAL TEAM SCORE		196.350*	Big Ten Championships (3/22/97)

*-school record

** ties school record

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Spring and Season Statistics

		Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Total	Place	Spring			Season			1996 Fall Results		
								Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Tournament	Score	Place
2/21-22/97	Midwest Classic	311	299			610	2nd/9 teams	610	2	305.00	4682	15	312.13	Minnesota Inv.	619	2nd/15 teams
3/10-11/97	Peggy Kirk Bell Inv.	328	327	342		997	9th/15 teams	1607	5	321.40	5679	18	315.50	Lady Northern	953	8th/15 teams
4/5-6/97	Indiana Invitational	322	327			649	4th/17 teams	2256	7	322.29	6328	20	316.40	Lady Badger	938	1st/11 teams
4/19-20/97	Hawkeye Invitational	320	318	310		948	6th/8teams	3204	10	320.40	7276	23	316.35	Huskie Classic	634	1st/13 teams
5/2-4/97	Big Ten Champ.													Northwestern Inv.	928	1st of 6 teams
TBA	NCAA Regionals															

	Midwest Classic (72)*			Peggy Kirk Bell Inv. (72)				Indiana Invite (74)				Iowa Invitational (73)				Spring		
	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou	79	80	159 t-27th									79	91	81	251 42nd	410	5	82.00
Donna Boom																		
Amy Dahle	79	76	155 t-19th	78	79	79	236 t-8th	75	79	154 t-5th	83	78	80	241 t-25th	786	10	78.60	
Glenna Gilbert																		
Carolyn Klecker	76	76	152 t-4th	84	86	84	254 t-44th	85	84	169 51st	81	76	76	233 t-9th	808	10	80.80	
Melanie Lepp	77	76	153 t-7th	82	80	88	250 36th	81	84	165 t-31st	79	84	73	236 t-13th	804	10	80.40	
Cathy Lindblad	80	73	153 t-7th	89	85	91	265 t-61st	87	80	167 t-39th					585	7	83.57	
Emily Norby																		
Marcy Savage																		
Keri Sawvell	79	74	153 t-7th	84	83	92	259 t-53rd	81	84	165 t-31st	81	80	82	243 t-31st	820	10	82.00	
Jenny Trenda																		
Kristi Weichert												81	90	87	258 46th	258	3	86.00

	Big Ten Championship (*)				NCAA Regionals (*)				NCAA Champ. (*)				Season			Fall			Career			
	R1	R2	R3	R4** Tot	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	R4	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg
Michelle Ballou														1059	13	81.46	649	8	81.13	1666	20	83.30
Donna Boom														573	7	81.86	573	7	81.86	1163	14	83.07
Amy Dahle														1803	23	78.39	1017	13	78.23	6556	82	79.95
Glenna Gilbert														171	2	85.50	171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker														1831	23	79.61	1023	13	78.69	6979	86	81.15
Melanie Lepp														1606	20	80.30	802	10	80.20	3529	43	82.07
Cathy Lindblad														1617	20	80.85	1032	13	79.38	4196	51	82.27
Emily Norby														87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00
Marcy Savage														253	3	84.33	253	3	84.33	672	8	84.00
Keri Sawvell														1861	23	80.91	1041	13	80.08	3745	46	81.41
Jenny Trenda														487	6	81.17	487	6	81.17	2124	25	84.96
Kristi Weichert														504	6	84.00	246	3	82.00	677	8	84.63

* par

** RO rainout

University of Minnesota Women's Golf 1996-97 Player by Player Summary **

Player	Tourn- aments	Rounds/ Counted	Strokes	Avg	Best Rounds				Under			Top 5 Finishes	Top 10 Finishes	Top 20 Finishes
					18	36*	54	72	Par	Par	Wins			
Michelle Ballou	6	13/16	1059	81.46	78	159	242		0	0	1	1	1	2
Donna Boom	3	7/2	573	81.86	79	165	239		0	0	0	0	0	0
Amy Dahle	9	23/20	1803	78.39	70	154	226		1	1	1	3	6	7
Glenna Gilbert	1	2/0	171	85.50	84	171			0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolyn Klecker	9	23/20	1831	79.61	73	152	232		0	0	0	4	5	6
Melanie Lepp	8	20/14	1606	80.30	73	153	238		0	0	0	1	3	5
Cathy Lindblad	8	20/12	1617	80.85	73	153	234		0	0	0	2	4	4
Emily Norby	1	1/0	87	87.00	87				0	0	0	0	0	0
Marcy Savage	2	3/0	253	84.33	82	164			0	0	0	0	0	0
Keri Sawvell	9	23/16	1861	80.91	74	151	240		0	1	0	1	3	4
Jenny Trenda	3	6/2	487	81.17	79	159	245		0	0	0	1	1	2
Kristi Weichert	3	6/0	504	84.00	78	164	258		0	0	0	1	1	1

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*Low 36-hole tournament score



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Tuesday, April 29**
SB at Wisconsin (2) 3 p.m.
(Madison, WI)
- Thursday, May 1**
SB hosts Drake (2) 2 p.m.
- Friday, May 2**
TR hosts Minnesota Classic 1 p.m.
GF at Big Ten Championships
(East Lansing, MI)
- Saturday, May 3**
TR hosts Minnesota Classic 10 a.m.
SB at Purdue (2) 1 p.m.
(West Lafayette, IN)
GF at Big Ten Championships
- Sunday, May 4**
SB at Purdue 1 p.m.
GF at Big Ten Championships

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Softball has important week with seven games
- Golf travels to Big Ten Championship
- Track and Field hosts Minnesota Classic
- Women's Athletics to sponsor Book Fair at Barnes & Noble in Burnsville

Last Week's Highlights

- Softball sweeps Ohio State
- Jennifer Johnson breaks Minnesota single-season saves record
- Dani Parkos places second at Drake Relays in shot put and third in discus

Announcements

MINNESOTA TO HOLD BOOK FAIR--The University of Minnesota women's athletics department and Barnes & Noble Bookstores will host a book fair Saturday, May 3, at the Barnes and Noble in Burnsville from noon-3 p.m. Proceeds from the book fair will benefit the Berg Scholarship Fund.

MS. GOPHER GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED--The 1997 Ms. Gopher Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Friday, May 16, at the Les Bolstad Golf Course. The shotgun start is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. The cost of tournament is \$125 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and prizes, with all proceeds benefiting the Berg Scholarship Fund. For more information call 624-6587.

Tennis

MINNESOTA FALLS AT BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS--Minnesota suffered a quarterfinal defeat at the hands of Northwestern, 4-3, at the Big Ten Tournament in West Lafayette, Ind. Minnesota is now 11-6 on the season and waits to see if it will receive an invitation to the NCAA Regional Championships in Bloomington, Ind.

GOPHER REWIND--NORTHWESTERN--Minnesota was eliminated in the quarterfinals of the Big Ten Championships, 4-3, by Northwestern in West Lafayette, Ind. The Gophers took an early lead in the match, capturing the doubles point, but lost four of six singles matches to lose 4-3. The match was tied 3-3 with Minnesota's **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR)** still on the court.

Rangsithienchai lost a tough three-set match to **Marjorie Gantman** 6-7, 7-6, 7-5 to decide the final outcome. Singles winners for Minnesota was **KIM SIMONSEN (CHALFONT, PA/CENTRAL BUCKS WEST)** and **HELEN WANG (EAGAN, MN/BURNSVILLE)**. The doubles team of **TARAH ELKINS (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM)** and **JENNI SVEHLA (NAPERVILLE, IL/CENTRAL)** won its match at #1 doubles and Rangsithienchai and **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROZSMARTY GYMNASIUM)** won at the #2-doubles position for Minnesota's other victories.

MINNESOTA DROPS IN NATIONAL RANKINGS--After moving to #28 in the national rankings earlier in the season, Minnesota fell to #47 in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings. The #28-ranking was the highest Minnesota has ever been ranked in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings.

SAUSKA DROPS TO #56--Newcomer **Nora Sauska** dropped to #56 in the last Rolex Rankings. Sauska had moved up to #40, tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher **Tiffany Gates** was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

Softball

THE FINAL COUNTDOWN — The University of Minnesota softball team needs a successful week on the road to qualify for the upcoming Big Ten Softball Tournament in two weeks. This week, the Gophers travel to Wisconsin on Tuesday, April 27, for a doubleheader and to Purdue for a three-game series on Saturday-Sunday, May 3-4. Minnesota enters the week with an overall record of 34-15, 9-9 in Big Ten action. The Gophers will also host Drake in the final home contests of the season on Thursday, May 1, in a 2 p.m. doubleheader at the Bierman Softball Complex.

HOW IT LOOK FROM HERE — The top four teams qualify for the May 9-10 Big Ten Tournament. The tournament will be held at the location of the number-one seed. Iowa (17-0) and Michigan (15-4) are locks for two of the positions. Michigan State (13-7) is a solid choice for a third. Purdue (11-8) is in the best position to clinch the final spot. The Boilermakers play at Ohio State on Tuesday before hosting Minnesota in a three-game series on Saturday-Sunday, which could very well decide the Big Ten Tournament's final entry.

SWEEP GIVES GOPHERS A CHANCE — The uphill battle the Gophers are fighting to qualify for the Big Ten Tournament was bolstered by a three-game series sweep over Ohio State last weekend. Minnesota registered 6-3 and 4-1 wins on Saturday (April 26), behind senior **Jodi Halvorson's** 4-for-5, five RBI performance in the two games. On Sunday, **Wendy Logue** and **Jennifer Johnson** teamed to pitch a three-hit, 3-0 shutout.

GOPHERS RANKED 16TH — The Gophers were ranked #16 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Defending national champion Arizona (42-4) recaptured the top spot after Fresno State (42-7) held the #1 ranking for the past two weeks. Minnesota is one of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 16. Iowa leads the way ranked #5, followed by Michigan State at #9, defending conference champion Michigan at #10 and Minnesota at #16.

MINNESOTA'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP—

Pos.	No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
C	14	Ann Bartholmey	R/R	Sr.	Austin, MN (Austin)
1B	21	Jodi Halvorson	R/R	Sr.	Richfield, MN (Richfield)
2B	12	Laura Peters	L/R	Jr.	Cottage Grove, MN
3B	9	Amber Hegland	L/R	Jr.	Farmington, MN (Farmington)
SS	5	Shannon Beeler	R/R	So.	Shelton, WA (Shelton)
LF	2	Steph Midthun	L/R	So.	Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)
CF	1	Rachel Nelson	L/R	Sr.	Good Thunder, MN (Maple River)
RF	6	Renee Sbrocco	R/R	Sr.	Rochester, MN (Mayo)
DP	20	Jennifer Fox	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

MINNESOTA'S PITCHING STAFF —

No.	Name	B/T	Yr.	Hometown (High School/College)
7	Steph Klaviter	R/R	So.	New Ulm, MN (Cathedral)
18	Wendy Logue	R/R	Jr.	Milan, IL (Rockridge)
23	Jennifer Johnson	R/R	Sr.	Diamond Bar, CA (Diamond Bar)

BIG TEN STANDINGS

(as of April 27)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Iowa	17	0	1.000	41	5	.891
Michigan*	15	4	.790	45	13	.771
Michigan State	13	7	.650	43	16	.729
Purdue	11	8	.579	38	21	.644
MINNESOTA	9	9	.500	34	15	.694
Indiana	9	10	.474	25	20	.556
Northwestern	8	10	.444	18	27	.400
Wisconsin	6	12	.333	28	24	.539
Ohio State	3	14	.177	18	26	.409
Penn State	2	19	.095	22	28	.440

* Michigan has one (1) tie on its record.

This Week in the Big Ten —

- Tues., April 29 Northwestern at Iowa (2)
Purdue at Ohio State (2)
Minnesota at Wisconsin (2)
- Wed., April 30 Ball State at Indiana (2), nc
- Sat., May 3 Iowa at Penn State (2)
Michigan at Ohio State (2)
Wisconsin at Michigan State (2)
Minnesota at Purdue (2)
Northwestern at Indiana (2)
- Sun., May 4 Iowa at Penn State
Michigan at Ohio State
Wisconsin at Michigan State
Minnesota at Purdue
Northwestern at Indiana

HEAD COACH LISA BERNSTEIN-O'BRIEN— Minnesota head coach Lisa Bernstein-O'Brien enters her sixth season with the Gophers, sporting an overall coaching record of 189-157-1 (.545). Bernstein-O'Brien owns a Big Ten record of 77-73 (.513) and guided the Gophers to a second-place finish in the conference in 1996. The Gophers' season didn't end there as Minnesota earned a bid to the NCAA tournament for just the third time in school history.

THE COACHING STAFF — Associate head coach Julie Standering is in her sixth season with the Gophers, while Jennifer McGuinness is in her second year as the assistant coach at her alma mater.

HOME FIELD RECORD — The Gophers are 10-2 at the Bierman Softball Complex this season.

THOSE ONE-RUN GAMES — Seven of Minnesota's 18 Big Ten games have been decided by a one-run margin. The Gophers are 2-5 in those games with only a 4-3 win over Penn State and a 1-0 victory over Northwestern ending up in the win column. Overall in '97, Minnesota is 5-7 in one-run decisions.

JOHNSON SETS SAVE RECORD — Senior pitcher Jennifer

Johnson collected her seventh and eighth save against Ohio State last week and now owns the Minnesota single-season saves record. Johnson improves her career record for saves to 18.

MAKE IT FIVE — The versatility of Amber Hegland has been more than apparent on the Gopher defense this spring. Hegland, an all-American a year ago while playing in left field, has played five different defensive positions for the Gophers this spring. When Shannon Beeler went down with a hand injury in the Iowa series, Hegland answered the call once more, moving to shortstop and tallying her fifth position change of the season. The Gophers' starter at third base, Hegland has also seen playing time in left field and right field, at second base, and at shortstop in '97.

HEGLAND SETS CAREER DOUBLES MARK — Amber Hegland hit the 40th double of her career in last week's double-header against Iowa to set a new Minnesota career record. The previous mark was held by Barb Drake (1984-87).

THE GREEN LIGHT — With the career hits and runs records already on her resume, Rachel Nelson is closing on the career stolen bases mark as well. Nelson's 64 career steals ranks second only to Mischel Doerr's mark of 81 from 1990-93. Nelson has converted 23 of 28 steal attempts this season.

JOHNSON HITS 500 MILESTONE — Senior pitcher Jennifer Johnson has owned the Minnesota career record for strikeouts for over a year, but she has raised that record to a new level by notching the 500th strikeout of her career. Heading into action this week, Johnson has 519 career strikeouts. In '97, Johnson has struck out 109 batters in compiling an 9-8 record. It is the second consecutive season that Johnson has hit the century mark in strikeouts.

HEGLAND BUILDS ON CAREER RBI RECORD — Junior all-American Amber Hegland owns the Minnesota career record with 129 RBI in three seasons with the Gophers. Hegland, however, must build on her record to stay ahead of sophomore shortstop Shannon Beeler. Beeler leads the team in RBI this season with 41 and after a single-season 62 RBI a year ago, is already third on the career RBI list with 103.

RECORD ROUND-TRIPPERS — Sophomore shortstop Shannon Beeler is tied for the Minnesota career home run record. Beeler belted her fourth and fifth homers of the season in the Troy Cox Invitational to give her 15 in her brief career as a Gopher. Beeler shares the record with current Minnesota assistant coach Jennifer McGuinness, who played for the Gophers from 1991-94.

NELSON'S HIT COUNT — All-America outfielder Rachel Nelson recorded her 260th career hit on a single in the third inning of the Gophers' 15-1 victory over Robert Morris, during the Triangle Classic on Feb. 22, to set a new Minnesota career hits record. Nelson currently has 306 hits in her career.

CLIMBING THE CHARTS — Rachel Nelson's assault on the record books has now extended to the NCAA record book as

well. Nelson is currently sixth on the NCAA career hits list with 306 in her career. Arizona's Amy Chellevoid is the best all-time with 371 hits from 1992-95.

NCAA Career Hits	Years	Games	Hits	Avg.
1. Amy Chellevoid Arizona	1992-95	255	371	.415
2. Tiff Tootle South Carolina	1990-93	242	351	.432
3. Robyn Yorke Fresno State	1994-	220	335	.447
4. Martha Noffsinger Fresno State	1987-90	291	327	.335
5. Michelle Minton Coastal Carolina	1991-94	199	308	.458
6. Rachel Nelson Minnesota	1994-	227	306	.392
7. Dana Fulmer South Carolina	1992-95	268	304	.368
8. Denelle Hicks Campbell	1993-96	219	300	.446

GOPHERS RECORD TRIPLE PLAY — In the 1-0 Minnesota win at Northwestern on April 16, the Gophers recorded the second triple play in their history and first against a Big Ten opponent. With runners on first and second base in the top of the fourth inning, Amber Hegland fielded a ground ball and threw to Shannon Beeler at third base for the first out. Beeler then fired the ball to Jodi Halvorson at first base, who then threw back to Beeler to tag the runner trying to advance from second base to complete the triple play. Minnesota's first triple play occurred against North Dakota State in 1983.

THE SCOUTING REPORT —

Wisconsin — Wisconsin is 28-24 (6-12 Big Ten) coming off its most successful conference weekend in the brief history of the program. The Badgers used a nearly five hour, 16-inning, 8-7 win over Penn State to complete their first weekend sweep of a conference opponent. First-year player Holly Reister leads the team with a .326 batting average. Reister, playing at first base, hit a single to drive home the winning run in the marathon game on Sunday. In that game, she went 4-for-8 with two runs scored. Sophomore righthander Ashley Fauser tops the Badger pitching staff with a 17-13 record and a 2.25 ERA.

Wisconsin head coach Karen Gallagher is in her second season with the Badgers and owns a record of 42-63-1 The Series - Minnesota leads, 2-0.

Drake — Drake enters the week with a record of 25-15-1. The Bulldogs play Illinois State on Monday prior to Thursday's doubleheader with the Gophers. Senior infielder Aimee DeKeyser leads the Bulldogs with a .367 batting average. DeKeyser earned all-Midwest Region honors a year ago.

Drake head coach Megan Bryant is in her ninth season with the Bulldogs and sports a record of 237-211-1. The Series - Drake leads, 1-2.

Purdue — Purdue enters the stretch drive to the Big Ten Tournament with a 38-21 overall record, 11-8 in conference

action. The Gophers will see plenty of Boilermaker pitching ace Sheryl Scheve. Scheve is 22-6 on the season with a 1.66 ERA and 178 strikeouts. She owns impressive victories over Michigan and twice over Michigan State this season. Outfielder Jenny Schoen is the Purdue leader offensively. Schoen checks in with a .397 batting average and a team-high 32 RBI.

Purdue head coach Carol Bruggerman is in her fourth season with the Boilermakers and owns a record of 118-90-3. The Series - Minnesota leads, 5-3.

USA TODAY / NFCA COACHES TOP 25 POLL —

Poll #9 — April 22

Rank	School	Record	Points	LtWk
1.	Arizona (16)	42-4	616	2
2.	Fresno State (8)	42-7	604	1
3.	South Carolina (1)	51-3	578	3
4.	UCLA	34-10	541	4
5.	Iowa	36-5	531	5
6.	Washington	31-10	497	6
7.	Missouri	41-11	452	9
8.	Oklahoma	46-14	445	7
9.	Michigan State	41-11	452	8
10.	Michigan	40-13-1	377	12
11.	Cal Poly SLO	34-13	349	10
12.	Arizona State	30-14	318	11
13.	Long Beach State	35-16-1	313	13
14.	South Florida	43-11	307	T14
15.	Colorado State	39-10	291	16
16.	MINNESOTA	31-13	202	T14
17.	Florida State	40-15-1	198	18
18.	Utah	34-11	185	20
19.	Oklahoma State	31-17	180	17
20.	Northeast Louisiana	40-7	164	19
21.	Louisiana Tech	30-14	118	21
22.	Southwestern Louisiana	41-15	104	25
23.	Kansas	33-16	64	24
24.	California	27-19	61	22
25.	Cal State Northridge	27-17-2	53	23

Receiving Votes: New Mexico State (34), Central Michigan (27), Louisiana State (25), Connecticut (15), Tennessee (15), Pacific (10), Purdue (7), Nicholls State (5), Hawaii (4), Hofstra (4), Southern Illinois (4), Illinois-Chicago (3), Boston College (2), DePaul (2), San Diego State (2), East Carolina (1), Oregon State (1).

Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota will host the Minnesota Classic at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium on Saturday, May 3, at 10 a.m. The following is a schedule of events:

Friday, May 2

1 p.m. Heptathlon (Day 1)

Saturday, May 3

Field Events

9 a.m. Heptathlon (Day 2)
 10 a.m. Javelin, W
 10:50 a.m. Javelin, M
 11 a.m. Pole Vault, M
 Long Jump, M, W
 noon Shot put, M
 12:45 p.m. High Jump, M
 1 p.m. Shot Put, W
 1:30 p.m. Triple Jump, M, W
 Discus, M, W
 2 p.m. Pole Vault, W
 2:30 p.m. High Jump, W

Track Events

11 a.m. 10000m, W
 noon 5000m, W
 12:30 p.m. 4x100, M
 12:37 p.m. 4x100, W
 12:44 p.m. 3000 Steeplechase, M
 1 p.m. 1500m, M
 1:15 p.m. 1500m, W
 1:35 p.m. 100 hurdles, W
 1:50 p.m. 100 hurdles, M
 2 p.m. 400m, M
 2:07 p.m. 400m, W
 2:17 p.m. 100m, M
 2:27 p.m. 100m, W
 2:37 p.m. 800m, M
 2:47 p.m. 800m, W
 3 p.m. Senior Days and Hometown Days
 3:05 p.m. 400 hurdles, M
 3:15 p.m. 400 hurdles, W
 3:30 p.m. 200m, M
 3:45 p.m. 200m, W
 4 p.m. 3000m, W
 4:15 p.m. 3000m, M
 4:30 p.m. 4x400m, M
 4:40 p.m. 4x400m, W

SATURDAY IS SENIOR DAY FOR FOUR SENIORS--

Saturday's meet will honor five seniors and their outstanding careers at the University of Minnesota in both the track and field and cross country programs. To be honored Saturday at 3 p.m. are **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)**, **KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/GRACEVILLE-**

CLINTON), **JANET HOWE (SIREN, WI/SIREN)** and **KERI ZWEIG (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA)**.

SATURDAY IS HOMETOWN DAY FOR ANDREA

LENTZ--WCCO Radio 8•3•0 and the Women's Athletics Department will honor **ANDREA LENTZ (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR)** and her hometown of Willmar, Minn., during a Hometown Days celebration Saturday at 3 p.m.

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota competed at three meets over the past week: the Penn Relays in Philadelphia, Penn., the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa; and the Macalaster Invitational in St. Paul, Minn.

BLOCKER SECOND IN HEPTATHLON — Sophomore **APASHA BLOCKER (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT)** provisionally qualified for the 1997 NCAA Track and Field Championships after finishing second in the heptathlon at the Penn Relays. Blocker posted 5,146 points and just missed her own school record of 5,153 set last season. Her 5,146 points surpassed the NCAA provisional qualifying mark of 5,075, but her total was short of the automatic qualifying mark of 5,550 points.

WHITE RUNS AT PENN RELAYS--YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON) ran at the Penn Relays posting at 14.20 in the 100 hurdles and a 60.03 in the 400 hurdles.

DRAKE RELAYS — Senior **DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL)** placed second in the shot put and third in the discus. Parkos' mark of 48-10 in the shot put was a personal best and the fourth-best mark in Minnesota history. **NICOLE CHIMKO (ALDERSYDE, ALBERTA/FOOT-HILLS COMPOSITE)** placed third in the javelin with a toss of 154-9. **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KATEDRALSKOLE)** recorded the third-best triple jump in Minnesota history at 40-2 to place fifth.

MACALASTER INVITATIONAL — Minnesota also competed at the Macalaster Invitational. In the 5000 meters, **ANDREA SWANSBY (PEWAUKEE, WI/KETTLE MORAINE)** placed second (18:41.25) and **JANET HOWE (SIREN, WI/SIREN)** third (18:50.05). **TIFFANY BARRON (PELICAN RAPIDS, MN/PELICAN RAPIDS)** placed sixth in the 3000 meters and **MARISSA MCGILL (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG)** seventh in the 1500 meters. Minnesota placed tenth as a team with 26 points. St. Thomas won the meet with 130 points.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE —

May 3	Minnesota Classic	10 a.m.
May 10	Minnesota Open	10 a.m.
May 17	Minnesota Last Chance	10 a.m.
May 23-25	at Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)	
June 4-7	at NCAA Championships (Bloomington, IL)	

Golf

GOLFERS AT 16TH ANNUAL BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS--The University of Minnesota women's golf team competes at the 16th Annual Big Ten Women's Golf Championships, Friday-Sunday, May 2-4, in East Lansing, Mich. The 72-hole tournament, hosted by Michigan State, is at the Forest Akers West Golf Course and features 36-holes the first day and 18-holes each of the next two days.

ABOUT THE COURSE – The Forest Akers West Golf Course, playing at 7,012 yards with par of 72 (36-36), was the site of the 1994 NCAA Women's East Regional Golf Championship. While Minnesota competed at the 1994 East Regional, no members of the current Gopher team have played the golf course in competition.

The golf course underwent a \$1 million renovation in 1992 by former Michigan State golfer Arthur Hills of Arthur Hills and Associates. The renovation included all new bunkers, 18 new tees, new fairway grass, seven new greens and an additional 300 yards.

THE FIELD – All 11 Big Ten Conference schools will be competing, with the field consisting of 66 players. Joining the Gophers in the tournament are Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Michigan State, Northwestern, Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue and Wisconsin. The Minnesota line-up is:

- #1 – Senior **CAROLYN KLECKER** (RIVERS FALLS, WI)
- #2 – Sophomore **MELANIE LEPP** (EASTON, MN/ UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)
- #3 – Junior **AMY DAHLE** (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/ LAFAYETTE)
- #4 – Junior **KERI SAWVELL** (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI)
- #5 – Sophomore **MICHELLE BALLOU** (CHASKA, MN)
- #6 – Senior **CATHY LINDBLAD** (WILLMAR, MN)

THE OPPONENTS – The Big Ten Conference has many strong teams that will be competing for the team and individual titles. Playing in the top two positions for the following schools are:

- Iowa – Candy Schneekloth and M.C. Mullen
- Indiana – Jenny Gray and Erin Carney
- Michigan – Wendy Westfall and Sharon Park
- Michigan State – Julie Campbell and Amy Loviscek
- Northwestern – Karen England and Rebecca Halpern

THIS YEAR'S TEAM AT PREVIOUS BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS – Four members of this year's squad have competed at the Big Ten Conference Women's Golf Championships. Klecker has the most experience, with three conference meets in her bag. She was 13th in 1995 and 1996 and 32nd in at the 1994 championships. Dahle has two Big Ten championships in her past, placing fifth in 1996 and 22nd in 1995. Sawvell was ninth and Lindblad was 26th at the 1996 championships. Minnesota was third last year in the rain-shortened 54-hole championship

behind Indiana and Ohio State at Bloomington, Ind.

COACH WILLIAMS AND THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS – Kathy Williams, Minnesota's head golf coach since 1991, is coaching in her sixth Big Ten golf championship. During her reign, Williams' teams have finished second once, third twice and sixth twice. As a Minnesota student-athlete, Williams competed in the 1978, 1979, 1980 and 1981 Big Ten championships, leading the team her sophomore, junior and senior years at the conference finale. Williams was a member of the first Gopher team to finish first at the conference championships, when the team tied for number one with Michigan State in 1978.

BIG TEN HISTORY – The Big Ten women's golf championship, now in its 16th year, had its first official women's golf championship in 1982 at the then University of Minnesota Golf Course (now the Les Bolstad University of Minnesota Golf Course). Unofficial conference championships were held from 1974 to 1981, with The Ohio State University hosting the first tournament on its demanding Scarlet Golf Course.

Minnesota won the conference championship in 1989, with former Gopher **Kate Hughes** earning medalist honors, defending her 1988 individual title. The Gophers have never finished lower than seventh at any conference meet.

Only five Big Ten Conference schools have won the golf team title since 1982. Indiana has won six conference titles, followed by Ohio State with five. Minnesota, Iowa and Michigan State have each finished first once.

Minnesota at the Big Ten Championships (since 1974)

1st place	1978 (<i>tie</i>), 1989
2nd place	1984, 1986, 1988, 1992
3rd place	1975, 1987, 1990, 1993, 1996
4th place	1974, 1979, 1983
5th place	1977, 1981, 1991
6th place	1976, 1980, 1985, 1994, 1995
7th place	1982

Years in *italics* were unofficial conference championships

Past Conference Champions and Runner-ups

1996	Indiana	Ohio State
1995	Indiana	Ohio State
1994	Wisconsin	Indiana
1993	Ohio State	Indiana
1992	Indiana	Minnesota
1991	Iowa	Indiana
1990	Indiana	Iowa
1989	Minnesota	Indiana
1988	Ohio State	Minnesota
1987	Indiana	Michigan State
1986	Indiana	Minnesota
1985	Ohio State	Indiana
1984	Ohio State	Minnesota
1983	Ohio State	Indiana
1982	Michigan State	Ohio State
1981	Ohio State	Michigan State
1980	Ohio State	Michigan State
1979	Ohio State	Indiana
1978	Minnesota	Ohio State
	Michigan State	
1977	Michigan State	Ohio State
1976	Michigan State	Illinois
1975	Michigan State	Ohio State
1974	Michigan State	Ohio State

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 11-6 Big Ten: 6-4 Home: 6-2 Away: 4-3 Neutral: 1-1
 Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State	W	6-1
3/9	# 24 Indiana	L	4-3
3/28	BYU-Hawaii	L	4-0
4/4	#69 Penn State	L	4-3
4/12	at #19 Michigan	L	7-0
4/13	at Michigan State	W	6-1
4/19	at #42 Northwestern	W	5-2
4/20	at #19 Wisconsin	L	4-3
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.) vs. #42 Northwestern	L	4-3

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S TENNIS STATS

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	5-3	2-3		6-4	5-6	15-12	.555
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	3-1	0-6	2-1	3-8	.375
Jana Hrdinova			1-0	2-3	7-1	0-1	6-4	7-4	16-9	.640
Alice Rangsithienchai		11-5					7-3	5-4	18-8	.692
Nora Sauska	13-3						10-1	7-3	23-4	.851
Kim Simonsen		1-0	5-4	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	8-3	17-8	.680
Jenni Svehla			1-1	0-1			5-6	0-1	6-8	.428
Helen Wang					1-0	8-2	7-4	6-2	16-6	.727
Totals							47-31	40-23	114-63	.644

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins	1-6			4-3	1-5	5-9	.357
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-2		1-4	6-5	.545
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-2	3-2		3-2	5-4	.555
Hrdinova/Simonsen		1-1	1-3		2-4	2-4	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai		2-2	1-0		3-2	3-2	.600
Hayes/Wang			1-0		1-0	1-0	1.000
				13-13	11-15	40-37	.519

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 27, 1997)
 (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 34-15-0 Home 10-2-0 Away: 6-9-0 Neutral: 18-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Lara Severson.....	.417	30-1	12	10	5	0	0	0	2	5	.417	0	0	1	0	.417	0	1	2-2	3	0	0	1.000
Amber Hegland.....	.415	49-49	142	24	59	7	0	1	36	69	.486	27	2	8	0	.512	1	0	4-7	32	53	4	.955
Rachel Nelson.....	.386	49-49	166	43	64	4	2	1	27	75	.452	15	0	23	0	.436	0	4	23-28	43	2	3	.938
Steph Midthun.....	.345	43-42	113	24	39	2	0	0	5	41	.363	7	1	7	0	.388	0	11	10-11	42	0	3	.933
Chantell Jernell....	.333	12-1	9	4	3	0	0	0	2	3	.333	0	1	3	0	.400	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Shannon Beeler.....	.329	49-49	152	20	50	9	2	5	41	78	.513	16	1	12	1	.394	1	0	3-3	64	118	10	.948
Laura Peters.....	.327	47-44	104	20	34	0	0	0	4	34	.327	11	1	17	0	.397	0	14	17-20	86	73	6	.964
Ann Bartholmey.....	.284	49-49	109	11	31	5	1	1	13	41	.376	3	8	2	0	.350	0	10	1-2	217	31	3	.988
Jennifer Fox.....	.250	38-21	76	7	19	5	0	0	17	24	.316	2	0	4	0	.269	0	3	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Jodi Halvorson.....	.241	47-47	116	9	28	2	0	0	13	30	.259	8	0	10	0	.290	0	5	0-1	145	90	7	.971
Tracy Carey.....	.241	35-29	87	9	21	5	2	2	13	36	.414	10	0	13	0	.316	1	2	0-0	230	11	3	.988
Erin Brophy.....	.200	5-0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	0	0	1	0	.200	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Renee Sbrocco.....	.189	43-36	106	19	20	3	0	1	12	26	.245	4	2	9	0	.232	0	4	4-4	23	1	1	.960
Wendy Logue.....	.182	4-4	11	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.182	0	0	3	0	.182	0	0	0-0	14	37	2	.962
Dana Ballard.....	.177	39-22	79	8	14	4	0	1	13	21	.266	6	3	11	0	.258	1	0	2-4	35	1	1	.973
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	10-0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.222	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Bauer.....	.000	1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
Michelle Bennett....	.000	32-0	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-3	0	0	0	.000
Aubree Espinosa.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	15-0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.300	49-49	1298	227	390	46	7	12	200	486	.374	111	19	129	1	.363	4	55	71-90	944	457	45	.969
Opponents.....	.212	49-49	1160	92	246	24	9	12	82	324	.279	50	8	203	1	.249	3	41	25-41	934	468	73	.951

LOB - Team (327), Opp (227). DPs turned - Team (7), Opp (7). TPs turned - Team (1). IBB - Team (2), A. Hegland 1, T. Carey 1, Opp (3). Picked off - A. Hegland 1, L. Peters 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Jennifer Bauer.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	3.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	14	.100	0	0	0	0	0
Wendy Logue.....	1.35	11-4	22	17	7	5/3	0	98.1	76	27	19	15	28	8	5	1	389	.212	3	0	0	1	14
Steph Klaviter.....	1.51	14-3	23	19	9	3/3	0	111.1	102	36	24	19	64	9	2	2	468	.237	2	5	0	1	13
Jennifer Johnson....	1.72	9-8	29	13	7	2/6	8	102.0	67	29	25	12	109	7	2	9	391	.186	3	3	0	1	14
Totals.....	1.51	34-15	49	49	23	17/7	8	314.2	246	92	68	50	203	24	9	12	1262	.212	8	8	0	3	41
Opponents.....	3.80	15-34	49	49	33	4/0	1	311.1	390	227	169	111	129	46	7	12	1487	.300	13	19	0	4	55

PB - Team (2), A Bartholmey 2, Opp (11). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (25-39), S. Klaviter (10-19), W. Logue (13-17), J. Johnson (2-5).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 27, 1997)
 (Big Ten games only Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 9-9-0 Home 8-2-0 Away: 1-7-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Amber Hegland.....	.423	18-18	52	6	22	4	0	0	11	26	.500	9	1	2	0	.516	0	0	2-3	15	37	4	.929
Shannon Beeler.....	.365	18-18	52	4	19	2	0	0	8	21	.404	5	1	5	1	.431	0	0	0-0	21	41	3	.954
Rachel Nelson.....	.316	18-18	57	17	18	1	0	1	9	22	.386	4	0	8	0	.361	0	3	7-8	16	1	2	.895
Steph Midthun.....	.293	18-18	41	9	12	0	0	0	0	12	.293	1	1	2	0	.326	0	4	3-3	21	0	1	.955
Erin Brophy.....	.250	4-0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	0	0	1	0	.250	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Chantell Jernell....	.250	3-1	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	0	0	2	0	.250	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Laura Peters.....	.239	18-18	46	4	11	0	0	0	2	11	.239	4	0	12	0	.300	0	7	2-5	42	34	3	.962
Jennifer Fox.....	.233	15-15	43	2	10	2	0	0	8	12	.279	1	0	3	0	.250	0	3	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Ann Bartholmey.....	.184	18-18	38	1	7	2	0	1	4	12	.316	3	4	1	0	.311	0	4	0-0	77	15	1	.989
Jodi Halvorson.....	.150	17-17	40	1	6	1	0	0	6	7	.175	2	0	5	0	.190	0	2	0-0	119	13	4	.971
Renee Sbrocco.....	.149	17-16	47	8	7	1	0	1	6	11	.234	2	1	3	0	.200	0	2	3-3	11	0	1	.917
Dana Ballard.....	.059	13-2	17	0	1	1	0	0	4	2	.118	0	0	3	0	.056	1	0	0-0	10	0	0	1.000
Tracy Carey.....	.000	6-2	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.200	1	0	0-0	15	3	0	1.000
Wendy Logue.....	.000	1-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	2	8	1	.909
Aubree Espinosa.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Lara Severson.....	.000	9-0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	12-0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Michelle Bennett....	.000	11-0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-1	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.253	18-18	454	64	115	14	0	3	60	138	.304	33	8	51	1	.314	2	26	19-26	352	166	22	.959
Opponents.....	.237	18-18	439	49	104	8	4	6	46	138	.314	22	6	74	1	.282	1	26	5-11	355	174	25	.955

LOB - Team (104), Opp (93). DPs turned - Team (4), Opp (2). TPs turned - Team (1). IBB - Team (1), A. Hegland 1, Opp (3).
 Picked off - A. Hegland 1, L. Peters 1.

(Big Ten games only Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Wendy Logue.....	1.84	2-2	7	6	1	1/1	0	26.2	21	10	7	6	7	2	1	0	107	.223	1	0	0	0	7
Jennifer Johnson....	2.14	4-6	15	7	5	1/2	3	55.2	44	20	17	9	51	3	2	5	227	.218	2	3	0	1	12
Steph Klaviter.....	3.00	3-1	8	5	1	0/1	0	35.0	39	19	15	7	16	3	1	1	160	.273	1	3	0	0	7
Totals.....	2.33	9-9	18	18	7	4/2	3	117.1	104	49	39	22	74	8	4	6	494	.237	4	6	0	1	26
Opponents.....	2.66	9-9	18	18	12	2/0	0	118.1	115	64	45	33	51	14	0	3	523	.253	4	8	0	2	26

PB - Team (0), Opp (3). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (5-10), W. Logue (4-7), S. Klaviter (1-3), J. Johnson (0-1).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Game Results for MINNESOTA (as of Apr 27, 1997)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time	
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Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 11-1	11	15	0/	1	4	1	5	1- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 1-0)	50		
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 17-0	17	16	0/	0	3	3	5	2- 0- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 1-0)	50		
Feb 15, 1997	vs Baylor	0-1 L	0	7	1/	1	3	2	7	2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (L 1-1)	50		
Feb 15, 1997	vs Texas A&M	W 4-3	4	9	3/	3	5	3	(8)	3- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 2-0)	50		
Feb 15, 1997	vs Stephen F. Austin	3-6 L	3	9	4/	6	9	0	7	3- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (L 2-1)	50		
Feb 16, 1997	vs Louisiana Tech	W 2-0	2	6	0/	0	3	2	7	4- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 1-0)	50		
Feb 16, 1997	at Texas-Arlington	W 2-0	2	7	0/	0	3	1	7	5- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 3-1)	50		
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 5-2	5	9	0/	2	8	2	7	6- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 4-1)	50		
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 6-0	6	11	1/	0	3	1	7	7- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 2-1)	50		
Feb 21, 1997	vs Maryland	W 1-0	1	2	0/	0	2	1	6	8- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 5-1)	50		
Feb 21, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 4-0	4	10	0/	0	3	2	5	9- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 3-1)	50		
Feb 22, 1997	vs Robert Morris	W 15-1	15	14	1/	1	6	1	4	10- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 4-1)	50		
Feb 22, 1997	vs Temple	W 9-0	9	12	0/	0	1	2	5	11- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 2-0)	50		
Feb 23, 1997	vs Ohio	W 4-0	4	11	1/	0	3	0	7	12- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 6-1)	50		
Feb 23, 1997	vs Illinois-Chicago	W 3-1	3	10	0/	1	3	0	7	13- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 3-0)	50		
Feb 23, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 8-0	8	10	1/	0	3	3	5	14- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 5-1)	50		
Feb 27, 1997	vs New Mexico	W 4-2	4	7	2/	2	4	4	7	15- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 6-1)	50		
Feb 27, 1997	vs Baylor	4-5 L	4	9	1/	5	11	0	(8)	15- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (L 6-2)	50		
Feb 28, 1997	vs Wichita State	W 6-2	6	8	0/	2	6	2	7	16- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 7-1)	50		
Feb 28, 1997	at New Mexico State	0-2 L	0	3	0/	2	3	2	7	16- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 3-1)	50		
Mar 1, 1997	vs Furman	W 8-1	8	12	1/	1	3	0	7	17- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 8-1)	50		
Mar 1, 1997	vs Ohio State	2-4 L	2	8	1/	4	9	2	7	17- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (L 8-2)	50		
Mar 2, 1997	vs Loyola	W 8-0	8	8	0/	0	1	2	6	18- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 7-2)	50		
Mar 2, 1997	vs Texas Tech	W 7-4	7	14	0/	4	8	0	7	19- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (W 4-1)	50		
Mar 24, 1997	at Georgia Tech	W 5-1	5	8	1/	1	5	1	7	20- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	W. Logue (W 8-2)	30		
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	W 5-1	5	10	1/	1	4	2	(8)	21- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	S. Klaviter (W 9-2)	30		
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	2-4 L	2	4	1/	4	6	1	7	21- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-2)	30		
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	1-3 L	1	3	1/	3	4	3	7	21- 7- 0	0- 1- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-3)	80		
*Mar 29, 1997	vs Michigan State	4-11 L	4	9	3/	11	15	2	7	21- 8- 0	0- 2- 0	S. Klaviter (L 9-3)	105		
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	2-3 L	2	5	1/	3	8	1	7	21- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	J. Johnson (L 4-4)	105		
Apr 02, 1997	Mankato State	W 5-0	5	7	1/	0	4	4	7	22- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 5-4)	265	5:30	
Apr 02, 1997	Mankato State	W 3-2	3	8	1/	2	6	1	7	23- 9- 0	0- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 10-3)	265	1:35	
*Apr 05, 1997	Indiana	W 9-1	9	7	0/	1	4	2	5	24- 9- 0	1- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 6-4)	382	1:15	
*Apr 05, 1997	vs Indiana	W 12-2	12	16	3/	2	4	3	5	25- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 11-3)	382	1:45	
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 2-0	2	4	1/	0	4	1	7	26- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	W. Logue (W 9-2)	50	1:35	
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 8-0	8	7	0/	0	6	2	5	27- 9- 0	2- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 12-3)	50	1:35	
*Apr 12, 1997	Penn State	W 3-0	3	5	1/	0	2	2	7	28- 9- 0	3- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 7-4)	340	1:50	
*Apr 12, 1997	vs Penn State	W 7-0	7	11	2/	0	5	1	7	29- 9- 0	4- 3- 0	S. Klaviter (W 13-3)	340	2:10	
*Apr 13, 1997	Penn State	W 4-3	4	11	1/	3	4	1	7	30- 9- 0	5- 3- 0	J. Johnson (W 8-4)	358	2:00	
*Apr 16, 1997	at Northwestern	3-4 L	3	6	0/	4	2	0	7	30-10- 0	5- 4- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-5)	50	1:45	
*Apr 16, 1997	vs Northwestern	W 1-0	1	6	1/	0	4	0	(8)	31-10- 0	6- 4- 0	W. Logue (W 10-2)	50	1:45	
*Apr 19, 1997	at Michigan	1-2 L	1	3	2/	2	6	1	(8)	31-11- 0	6- 5- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-6)	308	2:05	
*Apr 19, 1997	vs Michigan	2-10 L	2	3	2/	10	10	2	6	31-12- 0	6- 6- 0	W. Logue (L 10-3)	308	1:50	
*Apr 20, 1997	at Michigan	0-1 L	0	3	2/	1	5	3	7	31-13- 0	6- 7- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-7)	379	1:35	
*Apr 23, 1997	Iowa	2-4 L	2	4	1/	4	10	0	7	31-14- 0	6- 8- 0	J. Johnson (L 8-8)	292	1:50	
*Apr 23, 1997	vs Iowa	0-1 L	0	5	0/	1	8	1	7	31-15- 0	6- 9- 0	W. Logue (L 10-4)	292	1:45	
*Apr 26, 1997	Ohio State	W 6-3	6	8	1/	3	5	1	7	32-15- 0	7- 9- 0	J. Johnson (W 9-8)	647	1:50	
*Apr 26, 1997	vs Ohio State	W 4-1	4	4	0/	1	5	1	7	33-15- 0	8- 9- 0	S. Klaviter (W 14-3)	647	1:35	
*Apr 27, 1997	Ohio State	W 3-0	3	6	1/	0	3	1	7	34-15- 0	9- 9- 0	W. Logue (W 11-4)	576	2:30	

*Conference game
 ‡Tournament game

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100Meters

1. Kim Heath (c) (trials)	:12.59
2. Kim Heath (a) (trials)	:12.64
3. Kim Heath (c) (finals)	:12.70

400meters

1. Shellie Braggs (a)	:58.98
2. Alisa Gartner (e)	:59.46
3. Kristie Stiles (a)	:59.52

800meters

1. Kristie Stiles (e)	2:17.85
2. Alissa Bruss (i)	2:25.77

1500meters

1. Minna Haronoja (d)	4:34.63
2. Andrea Lentz (d)	4:34.71
3. Minna Haronoja (c)	4:46.77

3000meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40
2. Andrea Lentz (a)	10:25.33
3. Amy Hoel (e)	10:36.93

5000meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (c)	17:37.46
2. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24
3. Andrea Swansby (i)	18:41.25

10,000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (d)	36:26.72
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100-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (g)	:14.20
2. Yvette White (c)	:14.89
3. Yvette White (a)	:14.97

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (g)	1:00.03
2. Yvette White (a)	1:05.10
3. Yvette White (c)	1:06.41

4x100-meter Relay

1. Heath, Hofner, Braggs, Y. White (c)	:50.74
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4x400-meter Relay

1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
2. Minnesota (e)	4:09.07

4x800-meter Relay

1. Haronoja, Kleindl, Stiles, Zweig (a)	9:36.15
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High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (c)	5-5 (1.65)
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Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith (d)	18-7 1/4 (5.67)
2. Natalie Smith (c)	18-3 (5.57)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (h)	40-2 (12.24)
2. Natalie Smith (a)	37-10 1/2 (11.54)
3. Natalie Smith (c)	37-5 (11.42)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (h) *	48-10 (14.88)
2. Dani Parkos (a) *	48-1 1/4 (14.66)
3. Tina McDonald (b) *	47-10 (14.58)

Discus

1. Dani Parkos (b) *	168-11 (51.48)
2. Dani Parkos (a) *	161-5 (49.20)
3. Dani Parkos (c)	158-11 (48.44)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11 (47.84)
2. Nicole Chimko (h)	154-9 (47.16)
3. Nicole Chimko (d)	152-7 (46.52)

Heptathlon

1. Apasha Blocker (g) *	5,146 points
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* NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, NC)

(b) Texas Relays (Austin, TX)

(c) Tom Botts Invitational (Columbia, MO)

(d) Mt. Sac Relays (Walnut, CA)

(e) Manitou Track and Field Classic (Northfield, MN)

(f) Long Beach Invitational

(g) Penn Relays (Philadelphia, PA)

(h) Drake Relays (Des Moines, IA)

(i) Macalaster Invitational (St. Paul, MN)



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, May 9

TN at NCAA Midwest Regional
vs. Indiana 9 a.m.
(South Bend, Ind.)

Saturday, May 10

TR hosts Minnesota Open 10 a.m.
TN at NCAA Midwest Regional

Sunday, May 11

TN at NCAA Midwest Regional

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Tennis travels to NCAA Midwest Regional
- Track and Field hosts Minnesota Open

Last Week's Highlights

- Mindy Knaeble named April Athlete of the Month
- Nora Sauska invited to NCAA National Championships in singles; team invited to Midwest Regional
- Dani Parkos places first in shot with personal-best throw
- Amy Dahle named all-Big Ten; finishes seventh

Announcements

MS. GOPHER GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED--The 1997 Ms. Gopher Golf Tournament is Friday, May 16, at the Les Bolstad Golf Course. The shotgun start is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. The cost of tournament is \$125 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and prizes, with all proceeds benefiting the Berg Scholarship Fund. For more information call 624-6587.

KNAEBLE NAMED ATHLETE OF THE MONTH FOR APRIL--MINDY KNAEBLE (NEW HOPE, MN/TOTINO-GRACE), who led Minnesota to its first-ever NCAA Championship appearance as a team, was named Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for April. **Knaeble** earned all-America honors on the floor exercise at the 1997 NCAA Championships. **Knaeble** became the first Minnesota athlete to earn all-America honors and qualify for an individual event final since **Marie Roethlisberger** won the uneven bars in 1990. She scored a 9.85 on the floor in the preliminaries to qualify for the individual finals where she placed ninth with a 9.70. She also recorded scores of 9.75 in the beam and 9.65 on the vault at the NCAA Championships.

At the Central Regional championship, **Knaeble** scored a 9.85 on the floor and the vault and a 9.75 on the beam.

For the season, **Knaeble** averaged 9.837 on the floor, 9.717 on the vault and 9.651 on the beam. She was nationally ranked in the floor exercise all season and won the Big Ten title on the balance beam.

PATTY BERG BANQUET SCHEDULED FOR MAY 28--The 1997 Patty Berg Awards Banquet honoring both academic and athletic accomplishments will take place Wednesday, May 28, at the Radisson Metrodome hotel. Social hour begins at 6 p.m., with the banquet beginning at 6:30 p.m. For more information, please call 624-6587.

Tennis

MINNESOTA PLAYS INDIANA AT NCAA MIDWEST REGIONAL--Minnesota, 11-6 on the season, plays Indiana Friday in the first round of the NCAA Midwest Regional tournament in South Bend, Ind. Match time is 9 a.m.

Indiana, ranked 32nd in the nation, is 18-8 on the season and finished second at the Big Ten tournament two weeks ago. The Gophers and the Hoosiers have met once this season with Indiana winning the match, 4-3, in Bloomington, Ind. The draw for the 1997 Midwest Regional:

Friday, May 9

Match 1: South Carolina (13-9) vs. Marquette (17-6)

Match 2: Minnesota (11-6) vs. Indiana (18-8)

Match 3: Wisconsin (19-7) vs. Northwestern (12-11)

Match 4: Illinois (11-13) vs. Notre Dame (17-10)

Saturday, May 10

Match 5: Winner of #1 vs. Winner of #2

Match 6: Winner of #3 vs. Winner of #4

Sunday, May 11

Match 7: Winner of #5 vs. Winner of #6

MINNESOTA AGAINST THE REST OF THE FIELD IN 1997--Minnesota has had a hard time pulling out the fourth match with the teams in the field for the Midwest Regional. The Gophers have a 2-3 record against the rest of the field, losing all three of the matches by 4-3 scores. Minnesota has wins over Northwestern (5-2) and Illinois (6-1) and losses to Northwestern (4-3), Indiana (4-3) and Wisconsin (4-3).

SAUSKA INVITED TO THE NCAA TOURNAMENT--Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROZSMARTY GYM)** is the third Gopher in the past three seasons invited to participate at the NCAA Singles Championships May 17-25 in Stanford, Calif. **Sauska** was invited after being ranked as one of the top six singles players in the Midwest Region. The all-Big Ten player is 23-4 on the season and ranked #62 in the nation.

SAUSKA NAMED ALL-BIG TEN--Nora Sauska was named to the all-Big Ten team last week. **Sauska** was the only member of the Gopher squad named to the all-Big Ten team.

MINNESOTA DROPS IN NATIONAL RANKINGS--After moving to #28 in the national rankings earlier in the season, Minnesota fell to #49 in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings. The #28-ranking was the highest Minnesota has ever been ranked in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings.

SAUSKA DROPS TO #62--Newcomer Nora Sauska dropped to #62 in the last Rolex Rankings. **Sauska** had moved up to #40, tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher **Tiffany Gates** was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota hosts the Minnesota Open on Saturday, May 10. Field events will begin at 10 a.m., with track events at 11 a.m. Athletes from Minnesota, Iowa State, Winona State and Wisconsin-Eau Claire will compete as well as open athletes.

Tentative Schedule, Minnesota Open Field Events

10:00 a.m.	Javelin, Women
10:50 a.m.	Javelin, Men
11:00 a.m.	Pole Vault, Men
11:00 a.m.	Long Jump, Men
11:00 a.m.	Long Jump, Women
12:00 p.m.	Shot Put, Men
12:45 p.m.	High Jump, Men
1:00 p.m.	Shot Put, Women
1:30 p.m.	Triple Jump, Men
1:30 p.m.	Triple Jump, Women
1:30 p.m.	Discus, Men, then Women
2:00 p.m.	Pole Vault, Women
2:30 p.m.	High Jump, Women

Track Events

11:00 a.m.	10,000 Meters, Women
12:00 p.m.	5000 Meters, Women
12:30 p.m.	4x100 Relay, Men
12:37 p.m.	4x100 Relay, Women
12:44 p.m.	3000 Meter Steeplechase, Men
1:00 p.m.	1500 Meters, Men
1:15 p.m.	1500 Meters, Women
1:35 p.m.	100 Hurdles, Women
1:50 p.m.	110 Hurdles, Men
2:00 p.m.	400 Meters, Men
2:07 p.m.	400 Meters, Women
2:17 p.m.	100 Meters, Men
2:27 p.m.	100 Meters, Women
2:37 p.m.	800 meters, Men
2:47 p.m.	800 Meters, Women
3:05 p.m.	400 Hurdles, Men
3:15 p.m.	400 Hurdles, Women
3:30 p.m.	200 Meters, Men
3:45 p.m.	200 Meters, Women
4:00 p.m.	3000 Meters, Women
4:15 p.m.	3000 Meters, Men
4:30 p.m.	4x100 Relay, Men
4:40 p.m.	4x100 Relay, Women

GOPHER REWIND — Minnesota captured four event wins at the Minnesota Classic at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium Saturday. The Gophers finished second behind Marquette.

Team scores: 1. Marquette, 162.0; 2. Minnesota, 119.0; 3. South Dakota State, 79.5; 4. St. Cloud State, 56.5; 5. Mankato State, 44.0; 6. High Plains T&F, 28.0; 7. St. Thomas, 27.0; 8. St. Olaf, 9.0; 9T. Hamline, 8.0; 9T. Carleton, 8.0; 11T. Minnesota Duluth, 1.0; 11T. Augsburg, 1.0;

SHOT PUT — Senior **DANI PARKOS** (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL) won the shot put title with a personal record of 49 feet, 8-1/2 inches. Her mark is the second-best shot put throw ever for Minnesota and provisionally qualifies her for the NCAA championships. Parkos also finished third in the discus with a throw of 159-8.

JAVELIN — Newcomer **NICOLE CHIMKO** (ALDERSYDE, ALBERTA/FOOTHILLS COMPOSITE) won the javelin with a toss of 155-5, which also provisionally qualifies her for the NCAA championships.

400 METERS — **KRISTIE STILES** (EDEN PRAIRIE, MN/EDEN PRAIRIE) won the 400-meter dash in 57.76. Her time ranks 10th in Minnesota history in the event.

5000 METERS — **ANNA GULLINGSRUD** (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) won the 5000 meters in 17:41.18.

OTHER TOP-THREE FINISHES:

- **KIM HEATH** (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY), third in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes
- **ALISA GARTNER** (BUFFALO, MN/BUFFALO), third in the 400-meter dash
- **ANDREA LENTZ** (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR), second in the 800-meter run
- **KAREN KLEINDL** (GRACEVILLE, MN/CLINTON-GRACEVILLE), third in the 3000-meter run
- 4x100-meter relay team of Heath, **YVETTE WHITE** (WASHINGTON, D.C./WOODROW WILSON), **KIM HOFNER** (BURLINGTON, WI/BURLINGTON) and **NATALIE SMITH** (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL), second
- 4x400-meter relay team of Smith, Gartner, **KAY FULLER** (VERNDALE, MN/VERNDALE) and Stiles, third

PARKOS HOT IN APRIL--Dani Parkos recorded five top-three finishes in the shot put and the discus in the month of April and was first in the shot put at the Tom Botts Invitational in Columbia, Mo. She provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in both the shot put and the discus and threw a personal-best in the shot put at the Drake Relays, ranking her fourth all-time in Minnesota history. Over the weekend at the Minnesota Classic, she set another personal best in the shot moving her up to second on the all-time Minnesota list. Parkos' April highlights include: Texas Relays—3rd in the discus (168-11); Tom Botts Invitational—1st in the shot put (44-6); 2nd in the discus (158-11); Mt. Sac Relays—9th in the discus (157-6); Drake Relays—2nd in the shot put (48-10); 3rd in the discus.

McDONALD ALSO MOVES UP MINNESOTA LIST — Sophomore **TINA McDONALD** (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST) set a personal record in the discus with a throw of 156-11 to move up from ninth to seventh place on the Minnesota all-time list.

UP NEXT--Minnesota hosts the Last Chance Meet Saturday, May 17, at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium at 10 a.m.

Softball

GOPHERS AWAIT BID FROM NCAA — The fate of the University of Minnesota softball team is in the hands of the NCAA tournament selection committee, which will announce the 32-team tournament field next Sunday, May 11. The Gophers failed to qualify for the this weekend's (May 9-10) Big Ten Tournament and completed their season with a 37-19 record overall, 10-13 in conference play.

THE BIG TEN TOURNAMENT — Top-seeded Iowa earned the right to host the 1997 Big Ten Tournament this weekend. Michigan, Michigan State and Purdue complete the four-team field.

GOPHERS RANKED 19TH — The Gophers were ranked #19 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Defending national champion Arizona (48-4) continued to hold down the #1 spot, followed by Fresno State (44-7) and South Carolina (57-3). Minnesota was one of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 20. Iowa leads the way ranked #5, followed by defending conference champion Michigan at #8, Michigan State at #11, and Minnesota at #19.

BIG TEN STANDINGS
(as of May 4)

	Conference			Overall		
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct
Iowa	22	0	1.000	46	5	.902
Michigan*	18	4	.818	48	13	.782
Michigan State	14	9	.609	44	18	.710
Purdue	14	10	.583	41	23	.641
Indiana	10	12	.455	26	22	.542
MINNESOTA	10	13	.435	37	19	.661
Wisconsin	10	13	.435	32	25	.561
Northwestern	10	13	.435	20	30	.400
Ohio State	4	18	.182	19	30	.388
Penn State	2	22	.083	23	31	.426

* Michigan has one (1) tie on its record.

JOHNSON LEADS NATION IN SAVES — Pitcher **JENNIFER JOHNSON (DIAMOND BAR, CA/DIAMOND BAR)** with eight saves. **Johnson** is also listed 18th in strikeouts per seven innings at 7.5.

THOSE ONE-RUN GAMES — Nine of Minnesota's 23 Big Ten games have been decided by a one-run margin. The Gophers were 2-7 in those games with only a 4-3 win over Penn State and a 1-0 victory over Northwestern ending up in the win column. Overall in '97, Minnesota is 6-9 in one-run decisions.

ONE STEP FURTHER — The difference between a good record and a great record is often a case of one or two runs. That sums up the Minnesota season perfectly. Of the Gophers' 19 losses, 16 of them have been by one or two-run margins. Minnesota's record overall in such games is 12-16.

EXTRA INNINGS — Minnesota's nine-inning game against Drake was the longest of the season. The Gophers were 4-2 in extra-inning games this season.

GOPHERS GO 3-4 LAST WEEK — The Gophers finished last week with a 3-4 record. Minnesota was swept at Wisconsin, then swept two from Drake at home, before dropping two games of the three-game weekend series at Purdue.

HEARTBREAKERS... WISCONSIN SWEEPS MINNESOTA — Minnesota suffered two heartbreaking defeats at Wisconsin (April 29), with seventh-inning dramatics in both games spelling disaster for the Gophers. In the first game, pitcher **Jennifer Johnson** headed into the bottom of the seventh inning with a no-hitter and a 2-0 lead on the scoreboard. Two singles and a **Carin Bouchard** three-run home run later, the Gophers stood stunned as the Badgers had pulled out a 3-2 victory. It looked like Minnesota's turn to grab victory from defeat in the second game. Trailing 3-1 in the bottom of the seventh, **AMBER HEGLAND (FARMINGTON, MN/FARMINGTON)** was at the plate with **RACHEL NELSON (GOOD THUNDER, MN/GOOD THUNDER)** and **LAURA PETERS (COTTAGE GROVE, MN/PARK)** on the basepaths. **Hegland** lined a shot to left field which had the potential game-tying runs written all over it. Badger outfielder **Courtney Coleman** made a sensational diving catch and then doubled-up **Nelson** at second base to end the game and give Wisconsin a 3-1 victory.

DOUBLEHEADER SWEEP — Minnesota shut out Drake, 5-0 and 1-0, on Thursday (May 1) to close the Gophers' home season. **STEPH KLAVITER (NEW ULM, MN/CATHEDRAL)** picked up her 15th win of the season with a five-hitter in the first game. **SHANNON BEELER (SHELTON, WA/SHELTON)** solo home run in the bottom of the ninth inning won the second game for the Gophers. **WENDY LOGUE (MILAN, IL/ROCKRIDGE)** pitched a four-hit, complete game to pick up the win.

GOPHERS DROP TWO OF THREE AT PURDUE — The Gophers concluded their Big Ten schedule with two losses in a three-game series with Purdue (May 3-4). A first-inning, two-run homer by **Jenny Schoen** was all Purdue needed in the first game, defeating the Gophers by a 2-0 score. Purdue ace **Sheryl Scheve** allowed the Gophers just three hits in the game. Minnesota turned the tide in game two, capturing a 2-0 win of its own. **Steph Klaviter** picked up her 16th win of the season on a three-hit shutout. **Amber Hegland** sparked the Gophers with a double in the first inning, scoring both Minnesota runs. Purdue won the third game, 3-2, on a seventh-inning comeback. The Gophers led 2-1 heading into the bottom of the seventh inning but the Boilermakers scored twice to pull out the victory.



MINNESOTA SHUTOUT FROM NATIONAL PLAY--

Minnesota women's head golf coach **Kathy Williams** was not surprised to learn last week that Minnesota was not chosen as a team to compete in the NCAA East Regionals, May 8-10 in Bloomington, Ill. No Minnesota individual was chosen to compete either. This is the first time in the five-year history of the East Regionals that Minnesota has not been represented at the national championship qualifying tournament.

DAHLE ALL-BIG TEN TEAM SELECTION – Junior AMY DAHLE (RED LAKE FALLS, MN/LAFAYETTE) was

named an all-Big Ten team selection at the conference championship, Friday-Sunday, May 2-4. Dahle also received the honor at the 1996 championship.

“GOLPHERS” FIFTH AT BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS –

Minnesota placed fifth at the 16th Annual Big Ten Women's Golf Championships, in East Lansing, Mich. The Gophers finished at 1,297 after rounds of 330, 319, 329 and 319. Ohio State won its sixth team title, finishing at 1,246. Indiana was second at 1,257, and was followed by Penn State (1,283), Michigan (1,285), the Gophers, Purdue (1,302), Northwestern (1,307), Michigan State (1,307), Wisconsin (1,315), Iowa (1,323) and Illinois (1,354).

DAHLE LEADS GOPHERS – Dahle, playing in the number three spot for Minnesota, led the team, tying for seventh with rounds of 81, 81, 76 and 79=317, 12 strokes behind tournament winner Amy Langhals of Ohio State.

KLECKER AND LINDBLAD TIE – Seniors **CAROLYN KLECKER (RIVERS FALLS, WI)** and **CATHY LINDBLAD (WILLMAR, MN)** tied for 31st place at 331. Klecker, playing in the number one position for the Gophers posted rounds of 84, 80, 84 and 83, while Lindblad at number six had scores of 85, 81, 85 and 80.

THE REST OF THE GOPHERS – Playing in the number five spot for Minnesota, sophomore **MICHELLE BALLOU (CHASKA, MN)** placed 37th with scores of 84, 77, 87 and 84 for 332. At number two, sophomore **MELANIE LEPP (EASTON, MN/UNITED SOUTH CENTRAL)** had a 72-hole 334 after rounds of 86, 85, 84 and 79. Junior **KERI SAWVELL (PRAIRIE du CHIEN, WI)** tied for 48th-place with marks of 81, 88, 89 and 81 for 339.

BIG TEN HISTORY – The Big Ten Conference had its first official women's golf championship in 1982 at the then University of Minnesota Golf Course (now the Les Bolstad University of Minnesota Golf Course). Unofficial conference championships were held from 1974 to 1981, with Ohio State hosting the first tournament on its Scarlet Golf Course.

Minnesota won the conference championships in 1989, with former Gopher **Kate Hughes** leading the way with medalist honors, defending her 1988 individual title. The Gophers have

never finished lower than seventh at any conference meet, placing seventh at the first official championship in 1982.

Minnesota at the Big Ten Championships

1st place	1989
2nd place	1984, 1986, 1988, 1992
3rd place	1987, 1990, 1993, 1996
4th place	1983
5th place	1991, 1997
6th place	1985, 1994, 1995
7th place	1982

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 11-6

Big Ten: 6-4

Home: 6-2

Away: 4-3

Neutral: 1-1

Big Ten Finish:

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State	W	6-1
3/9	# 24 Indiana	L	4-3
3/28	BYU-Hawaii	L	4-0
4/4	#69 Penn State	L	4-3
4/12	at #19 Michigan	L	7-0
4/13	at Michigan State	W	6-1
4/19	at #42 Northwestern	W	5-2
4/20	at #19 Wisconsin	L	4-3
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.) vs. #42 Northwestern	L	4-3

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S TENNIS STATS

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	5-3	2-3		6-4	5-6	15-12	.555
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	3-1	0-6	2-1	3-8	.375
Jana Hrdinova			1-0	2-3	7-1	0-1	6-4	7-4	16-9	.640
Alice Rangsithienchai		11-5					7-3	5-4	18-8	.692
Nora Sauska	13-3						10-1	7-3	23-4	.851
Kim Simonsen		1-0	5-4	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	8-3	17-8	.680
Jenni Svehla			1-1	0-1			5-6	0-1	6-8	.428
Helen Wang					1-0	8-2	7-4	6-2	16-6	.727
Totals							47-31	40-23	114-63	.644

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins	1-6			4-3	1-5	5-9	.357
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-2		1-4	6-5	.545
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-2	3-2		3-2	5-4	.555
Hrdinova/Simonsen		1-1	1-3		2-4	2-4	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai		2-2	1-0		3-2	3-2	.600
Hayes/Wang			1-0		1-0	1-0	1.000
				13-13	11-15	40-37	.519

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of May 05, 1997)
 (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 37-19-0 Home 12-2-0 Away: 7-13-0 Neutral: 18-4-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Lara Severson.....	.417	33-1	12	10	5	0	0	0	2	5	.417	0	0	1	0	.417	0	1	3-4	3	0	0	1.000
Amber Hegland.....	.400	56-56	165	26	66	9	0	1	40	78	.473	28	2	11	0	.490	1	0	4-7	38	73	7	.941
Rachel Nelson.....	.382	56-56	186	45	71	4	2	1	27	82	.441	18	0	24	0	.436	0	5	23-28	48	2	3	.943
Chantell Jernell....	.333	12-1	9	4	3	0	0	0	2	3	.333	0	1	3	0	.400	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Laura Peters.....	.331	54-51	124	25	41	0	0	0	4	41	.331	12	2	20	0	.399	0	15	21-25	99	89	6	.969
Steph Midthun.....	.326	50-49	129	25	42	2	0	0	6	44	.341	8	1	12	0	.370	0	13	14-15	43	1	3	.936
Shannon Beeler.....	.322	56-56	174	21	56	11	2	6	45	89	.511	17	1	15	1	.383	1	0	3-3	78	145	12	.949
Ann Bartholmey.....	.256	56-56	125	11	32	5	1	1	13	42	.336	3	10	3	0	.326	0	10	1-2	242	35	3	.989
Tracy Carey.....	.239	36-29	88	9	21	5	2	2	13	36	.409	10	0	13	0	.313	1	2	0-0	230	11	3	.988
Jennifer Fox.....	.221	45-28	95	8	21	5	0	0	17	26	.274	2	0	8	0	.237	0	3	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Jodi Halvorson.....	.218	54-54	133	9	29	2	0	0	13	31	.233	9	0	11	0	.268	0	5	0-1	220	93	7	.978
Renee Sbrocco.....	.197	50-43	127	20	25	3	1	1	16	33	.260	4	2	11	0	.233	0	4	4-5	28	1	2	.935
Wendy Logue.....	.182	4-4	11	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.182	0	0	3	0	.182	0	0	0-0	15	41	2	.966
Dana Ballard.....	.173	41-22	81	8	14	4	0	1	13	21	.259	6	3	12	0	.253	1	0	2-4	35	1	1	.973
Erin Brophy.....	.143	8-0	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.143	1	0	2	0	.250	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	10-0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.222	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Bauer.....	.000	1-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	1	0	1.000
Michelle Bennett....	.000	35-0	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2-4	0	0	0	.000
Aubree Espinosa.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	16-0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Johnson....	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	3	12	1	.938
Totals.....	.290	56-56	1477	240	429	50	8	13	213	534	.362	120	22	154	1	.352	4	59	80-103	1091	537	51	.970
Opponents.....	.212	56-56	1334	103	283	25	9	14	92	368	.276	55	9	229	1	.248	3	47	27-46	1079	515	79	.953

LOB - Team (364), Opp (255). DPs turned - Team (9), Opp (9). TPs turned - Team (1). IBB - Team (2), A. Hegland 1, T. Carey 1, Opp (3). Picked off - A. Hegland 1, L. Peters 1, R. Sbrocco 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Jennifer Bauer.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	3.0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	14	.100	0	0	0	0	0
Wendy Logue.....	1.30	12-5	25	20	8	6/3	0	113.1	90	31	21	15	33	9	5	1	449	.215	3	0	0	1	15
Steph Klaviter.....	1.32	16-4	28	21	11	5/3	0	138.0	121	38	26	21	74	9	2	2	562	.232	2	5	0	1	16
Jennifer Johnson....	1.86	9-10	31	15	8	2/6	8	109.1	71	34	29	15	118	7	2	11	423	.183	3	4	0	1	16
Totals.....	1.46	37-19	56	56	27	20/7	8	363.2	283	103	76	55	227	25	9	14	1448	.212	8	9	0	3	47
Opponents.....	3.46	19-37	56	56	39	5/0	1	359.2	429	240	178	120	154	49	8	13	1682	.290	16	22	0	4	59

PB - Team (3), A Bartholmey 3, Opp (11). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (3). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (27-44), S. Klaviter (10-21), W. Logue (15-20), J. Johnson (2-5).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
Overall Statistics for MINNESOTA (as of May 05, 1997)
(Big Ten games only Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 10-13-0 Home 8-2-0 Away: 2-11-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Amber Hegland.....	.388	23-23	67	7	26	6	0	0	13	32	.478	10	1	4	0	.474	0	0	2-3	18	48	7	.904
Shannon Beeler.....	.343	23-23	67	4	23	4	0	0	10	27	.403	5	1	8	1	.397	0	0	0-0	29	58	5	.946
Rachel Nelson.....	.338	23-23	71	18	24	1	0	1	9	28	.394	6	0	9	0	.390	0	3	7-8	19	1	2	.909
Laura Peters.....	.293	23-23	58	7	17	0	0	0	2	17	.293	5	1	13	0	.359	0	8	4-8	53	45	3	.970
Steph Midthun.....	.255	23-23	51	9	13	0	0	0	1	13	.255	2	1	5	0	.296	0	6	6-6	22	1	1	.958
Chantell Jernell....	.250	3-1	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	0	0	2	0	.250	0	1	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Erin Brophy.....	.200	6-0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	1	0	1	0	.333	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Fox.....	.193	20-20	57	3	11	2	0	0	8	13	.228	1	0	7	0	.207	0	3	1-1	0	0	0	.000
Ann Bartholmey.....	.160	23-23	50	1	8	2	0	1	4	13	.260	3	5	2	0	.276	0	4	0-0	95	17	1	.991
Renée Sbrocco.....	.145	22-21	62	9	9	1	1	1	8	15	.242	2	1	4	0	.185	0	2	3-3	15	0	2	.882
Jodi Halvorson.....	.137	22-22	51	1	7	1	0	0	6	8	.157	3	0	5	0	.185	0	2	0-0	168	16	4	.979
Dana Ballard.....	.053	15-2	19	0	1	1	0	0	4	2	.105	0	0	4	0	.050	1	0	0-0	10	0	0	1.000
Tracy Carey.....	.000	6-2	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	.000	2	0	3	0	.200	1	0	0-0	15	3	0	1.000
Wendy Logue.....	.000	1-1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	2	11	1	.929
Aubree Espinosa.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Lara Severson.....	.000	11-0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Shannon Hansmann....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Kate Schwartz.....	.000	13-0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1-2	0	0	0	.000
Jennifer Johnson....	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	1	8	1	.900
Michelle Bennett....	.000	14-0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-2	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.245	23-23	575	71	141	18	1	3	67	170	.296	40	10	68	1	.305	2	29	25-35	451	217	28	.960
Opponents.....	.237	23-23	558	60	132	9	4	8	56	173	.310	27	7	93	1	.280	1	32	6-13	457	207	26	.962

LOB - Team (128), Opp (114). DPs turned - Team (6), Opp (3). TPs turned - Team (1). IBB - Team (1), A. Hegland 1, Opp (3).
Picked off - A. Hegland 1, L. Peters 1.

(Big Ten games only Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Wendy Logue.....	1.93	2-3	9	8	1	1/1	0	32.2	31	14	9	6	9	3	1	0	136	.254	1	0	0	0	8
Steph Klaviter.....	2.18	4-2	12	6	2	1/1	0	54.2	53	21	17	9	22	3	1	1	230	.251	1	3	0	0	10
Jennifer Johnson....	2.33	4-8	17	9	6	1/2	3	63.0	48	25	21	12	60	3	2	7	259	.211	2	4	0	1	14
Totals.....	2.19	10-13	23	23	9	5/2	3	150.1	132	60	47	27	91	9	4	8	625	.235	4	7	0	1	32
Opponents.....	2.30	13-10	23	23	16	3/0	0	152.1	141	71	50	40	68	17	1	3	656	.245	6	10	0	2	29

PB - Team (1), A Bartholmey 1, Opp (3). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - A Bartholmey (6-12), W. Logue (5-9), S. Klaviter (1-3), J. Johnson (0-1).

1997 University of Minnesota Softball
 Game Results for MINNESOTA (as of May 05, 1997)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend Time
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 11-1	11	15	0/	1	4	1	5	1-0-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 1-0)	50
Feb 14, 1997	vs Detroit Mercy	W 17-0	17	16	0/	0	3	3	5	2-0-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 1-0)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Baylor	0-1 L	0	7	1/	1	3	2	7	2-1-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (L 1-1)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Texas A&M	W 4-3	4	9	3/	3	5	3	(8)	3-1-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 2-0)	50
Feb 15, 1997	vs Stephen F. Austin	3-6 L	3	9	4/	6	9	0	7	3-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (L 2-1)	50
Feb 16, 1997	vs Louisiana Tech	W 2-0	2	6	0/	0	3	2	7	4-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 1-0)	50
Feb 16, 1997	at Texas-Arlington	W 2-0	2	7	0/	0	3	1	7	5-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 3-1)	50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 5-2	5	9	0/	2	8	2	7	6-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 4-1)	50
Feb 20, 1997	at North Carolina	W 6-0	6	11	1/	0	3	1	7	7-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 2-1)	50
Feb 21, 1997	vs Maryland	W 1-0	1	2	0/	0	2	1	6	8-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 5-1)	50
Feb 21, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 4-0	4	10	0/	0	3	2	5	9-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 3-1)	50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Robert Morris	W 15-1	15	14	1/	1	6	1	4	10-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 4-1)	50
Feb 22, 1997	vs Temple	W 9-0	9	12	0/	0	1	2	5	11-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 2-0)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Ohio	W 4-0	4	11	1/	0	3	0	7	12-2-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 6-1)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs Illinois-Chicago	W 3-1	3	10	0/	1	3	0	7	13-2-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 3-0)	50
Feb 23, 1997	vs East Carolina	W 8-0	8	10	1/	0	3	3	5	14-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 5-1)	50
Feb 27, 1997	vs New Mexico	W 4-2	4	7	2/	2	4	4	7	15-2-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 6-1)	50
Feb 27, 1997	vs Baylor	4-5 L	4	9	1/	5	11	0	(8)	15-3-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (L 6-2)	50
Feb 28, 1997	vs Wichita State	W 6-2	6	8	0/	2	6	2	7	16-3-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 7-1)	50
Feb 28, 1997	at New Mexico State	0-2 L	0	3	0/	2	3	2	7	16-4-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 3-1)	50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Furman	W 8-1	8	12	1/	1	3	0	7	17-4-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 8-1)	50
Mar 1, 1997	vs Ohio State	2-4 L	2	8	1/	4	9	2	7	17-5-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (L 8-2)	50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Loyola	W 8-0	8	8	0/	0	1	2	6	18-5-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 7-2)	50
Mar 2, 1997	vs Texas Tech	W 7-4	7	14	0/	4	8	0	7	19-5-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (W 4-1)	50
Mar 24, 1997	at Georgia Tech	W 5-1	5	8	1/	1	5	1	7	20-5-0	0-0-0	W. Logue (W 8-2)	30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	W 5-1	5	10	1/	1	4	2	(8)	21-5-0	0-0-0	S. Klaviter (W 9-2)	30
Mar 25, 1997	at Georgia State	2-4 L	2	4	1/	4	6	1	7	21-6-0	0-0-0	J. Johnson (L 4-2)	30
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	1-3 L	1	3	1/	3	4	3	7	21-7-0	0-1-0	J. Johnson (L 4-3)	80
*Mar 29, 1997	vs Michigan State	4-11 L	4	9	3/	11	15	2	7	21-8-0	0-2-0	S. Klaviter (L 9-3)	105
*Mar 29, 1997	at Michigan State	2-3 L	2	5	1/	3	8	1	7	21-9-0	0-3-0	J. Johnson (L 4-4)	105
Apr 02, 1997	Mankato State	W 5-0	5	7	1/	0	4	4	7	22-9-0	0-3-0	J. Johnson (W 5-4)	265 5:30
Apr 02, 1997	Mankato State	W 3-2	3	8	1/	2	6	1	7	23-9-0	0-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 10-3)	265 1:35
*Apr 05, 1997	Indiana	W 9-1	9	7	0/	1	4	2	5	24-9-0	1-3-0	J. Johnson (W 6-4)	382 1:15
*Apr 05, 1997	vs Indiana	W 12-2	12	16	3/	2	4	3	5	25-9-0	2-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 11-3)	382 1:45
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 2-0	2	4	1/	0	4	1	7	26-9-0	2-3-0	W. Logue (W 9-2)	50 1:35
Apr 09, 1997	vs Northern Iowa	W 8-0	8	7	0/	0	6	2	5	27-9-0	2-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 12-3)	50 1:35
*Apr 12, 1997	Penn State	W 3-0	3	5	1/	0	2	2	7	28-9-0	3-3-0	J. Johnson (W 7-4)	340 1:50
*Apr 12, 1997	vs Penn State	W 7-0	7	11	2/	0	5	1	7	29-9-0	4-3-0	S. Klaviter (W 13-3)	340 2:10
*Apr 13, 1997	Penn State	W 4-3	4	11	1/	3	4	1	7	30-9-0	5-3-0	J. Johnson (W 8-4)	358 2:00
*Apr 16, 1997	at Northwestern	3-4 L	3	6	0/	4	2	0	7	30-10-0	5-4-0	J. Johnson (L 8-5)	50 1:45
*Apr 16, 1997	vs Northwestern	W 1-0	1	6	1/	0	4	0	(8)	31-10-0	6-4-0	W. Logue (W 10-2)	50 1:45
*Apr 19, 1997	at Michigan	1-2 L	1	3	2/	2	6	1	(8)	31-11-0	6-5-0	J. Johnson (L 8-6)	308 2:05
*Apr 19, 1997	vs Michigan	2-10 L	2	3	2/	10	10	2	6	31-12-0	6-6-0	W. Logue (L 10-3)	308 1:50
*Apr 20, 1997	at Michigan	0-1 L	0	3	2/	1	5	3	7	31-13-0	6-7-0	J. Johnson (L 8-7)	379 1:35
*Apr 23, 1997	Iowa	2-4 L	2	4	1/	4	10	0	7	31-14-0	6-8-0	J. Johnson (L 8-8)	292 1:50
*Apr 23, 1997	vs Iowa	0-1 L	0	5	0/	1	8	1	7	31-15-0	6-9-0	W. Logue (L 10-4)	292 1:45
*Apr 26, 1997	Ohio State	W 6-3	6	8	1/	3	5	1	7	32-15-0	7-9-0	J. Johnson (W 9-8)	647 1:50
*Apr 26, 1997	vs Ohio State	W 4-1	4	4	0/	1	5	1	7	33-15-0	8-9-0	S. Klaviter (W 14-3)	647 1:35
*Apr 27, 1997	Ohio State	W 3-0	3	6	1/	0	3	1	7	34-15-0	9-9-0	W. Logue (W 11-4)	576 2:30
*Apr 29, 1997	at Wisconsin	2-3 L	2	4	0/	3	3	1	7	34-16-0	9-10-0	J. Johnson (L 9-9)	154 2:00
*Apr 29, 1997	vs Wisconsin	1-3 L	1	7	3/	3	7	0	7	34-17-0	9-11-0	W. Logue (L 11-5)	154 1:50
May 01, 1997	Drake	W 5-0	5	8	0/	0	5	2	7	35-17-0	9-11-0	S. Klaviter (W 15-3)	246 1:40
May 01, 1997	Drake	W 1-0	1	5	0/	0	4	3	(9)	36-17-0	9-11-0	W. Logue (W 12-5)	246 2:00
*May 3, 1997	at Purdue	0-2 L	0	3	1/	2	3	0	7	36-18-0	9-12-0	J. Johnson (L 9-10)	100 1:20
*May 3, 1997	vs Purdue	W 2-0	2	5	1/	0	3	0	7	37-18-0	10-12-0	S. Klaviter (W 16-3)	100 1:30
*May 4, 1997	at Purdue	2-3 L	2	7	1/	3	12	0	7	37-19-0	10-13-0	S. Klaviter (L 16-4)	100 1:40

*Conference game
 #Tournament game
 () extra inning game

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters

1. Kim Heath (h)	:12.15
2. Kim Heath (c) (trials)	:12.59
3. Kim Heath (a) (trials)	:12.64

200 meters

1. Kim Heath(h)	:25.45
2. Kim Hofner (h)	:27.16

400 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (h)	:57.76
2. Alisa Gartner (h)	:58.36
3. Shellie Braggs (a)	:58.98

800 meters

1. Andrea Lentz (h)	2:17.16
2. Kristie Stiles (e)	2:17.85
3. Minna Haronoja (h)	2:19.94

1500 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (d)	4:34.63
2. Andrea Lentz (d)	4:34.71
3. Minna Haronoja (c)	4:46.77

3000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40
2. Karen Kleindl (h)	10:24.04
3. Andrea Lentz (a)	10:25.33

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (c)	17:37.46
2. Anna Gullingsrud (h)	17:41.18
3. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24

10,000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (d)	36:26.72
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100-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (f)	:14.20
2. Yvette White (c)	:14.89
3. Yvette White (a)	:14.97

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (f)	1:00.03
2. Yvette White (a)	1:05.10
3. Yvette White (c)	1:06.41

4x100-meter Relay

1. Heath, Y. White, Hofner, Smith (h)	:48.03
2. Heath, Hofner, Braggs, Y. White (c)	:50.74

4x400-meter Relay

1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
2. Smith, Gartner, Fuller, Stiles (h)	3:57.97
3. Minnesota (e)	4:09.07

High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (c)	5-5 (1.65)
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Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith (d)	18-7 1/4 (5.67)
2. Natalie Smith (c)	18-3 (5.57)
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (h)	17-0 (5.18)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (g)	40-2 (12.24)
2. Natalie Smith (a)	37-10 1/2 (11.54)
3. Natalie Smith (c)	37-5 (11.42)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (h) *	49-1 (15.15)
2. Dani Parkos (g) *	48-10 (14.88)
3. Dani Parkos (a) *	48-1 1/4 (14.66)

Discus

1. Dani Parkos (b) *	168-11 (51.48)
2. Dani Parkos (a) *	161-5 (49.20)
3. Dani Parkos (h)	159-8 (48.66)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11 (47.84)
2. Nicole Chimko (g)	154-9 (47.16)
3. Nicole Chimko (d)	152-7 (46.52)

Heptathlon

1. Apasha Blocker (f) *	5,146 points
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* NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, NC)

(b) Texas Relays (Austin, TX)

(c) Tom Botts Invitational (Columbia, MO)

(d) Mt. Sac Relays (Walnut, CA)

(e) Manitou Track and Field Classic (Northfield, MN)

(f) Penn Relays (Philadelphia, PA)

(g) Drake Relays (Des Moines, IA)

(h) Minnesota Classic (Minneapolis, MN)

1996-97 Minnesota Women's Golf Spring and Season Statistics

	Tournament	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Total	Place	Spring			Season			1996 Fall Results		
								Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Tournament	Score	Place
2/21-22/97	Midwest Classic	311	299			610	2nd/9 teams	610	2	305.00	4682	15	312.13	Minnesota Inv.	619	2nd/15 teams
3/10-11/97	Peggy Kirk Bell Inv.	328	327	342		997	9th/15 teams	1607	5	321.40	5679	18	315.50	Lady Northern	953	8th/15 teams
4/5-6/97	Indiana Invitational	322	327			649	4th/17 teams	2256	7	322.29	6328	20	316.40	Lady Badger	938	1st/11 teams
4/19-20/97	Hawkeye Invitational	320	318	310		948	6th/8teams	3204	10	320.40	7276	23	316.35	Huskie Classic	634	1st/13 teams
5/2-4/97	Big Ten Champ.	330	319	329	319	1297	5th/11 teams	4501	14	321.50	8573	27	317.52	Northwestern Inv.	928	1st/6 teams

	Midwest Classic (72)*			Peggy Kirk Bell Inv. (72)				Indiana Invite (74)				Iowa Invitational (73)				Spring					
	R1	R2	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	R1	R2	R3	Tot.	Str	Rds	Avg			
Michelle Ballou	79	80	159	t-27th								79	91	81	251	42nd	742	9	82.44		
Donna Boom																					
Amy Dahle	79	76	155	t-19th	78	79	79	236	t-8th	75	79	154	t-5th	83	78	80	241	t-25th	1103	14	78.79
Glenna Gilbert																					
Carolyn Klecker	76	76	152	t-4th	84	86	84	254	t-44th	85	84	169	51st	81	76	76	233	t-9th	1139	14	81.36
Melanie Lepp	77	76	153	t-7th	82	80	88	250	36th	81	84	165	t-31st	79	84	73	236	t-13th	1138	14	81.29
Cathy Lindblad	80	73	153	t-7th	89	85	91	265	t-61st	87	80	167	t-39th						916	11	83.27
Emily Norby																					
Marcy Savage																					
Keri Sawvell	79	74	153	t-7th	84	83	92	259	t-53rd	81	84	165	t-31st	81	80	82	243	t-31st	1159	14	82.79
Jenny Trendera																					
Kristi Weichert												81	90	87	258	46th	258	3	86.00		

	Big Ten Championship (72)*					Season			Fall			Career			
	R1	R2	R3	R4*	Tot	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	Str	Rds	Avg	
Michelle Ballou	84	77	87	84	332	37th	1391	17	81.82	649	8	81.13	1998	24	83.25
Donna Boom							573	7	81.86	573	7	81.86	1163	14	83.07
Amy Dahle	81	81	76	79	317	t-7th	2120	27	78.52	1017	13	78.23	6873	86	79.92
Glenna Gilbert							171	2	85.50	171	2	85.50	337	4	84.25
Carolyn Klecker	84	80	84	83	331	t-31st	2162	27	80.07	1023	13	78.69	7310	90	81.22
Melanie Lepp	86	85	84	79	334	40th	1940	24	80.83	802	10	80.20	3863	47	82.19
Cathy Lindblad	85	81	85	80	331	t-31st	1948	24	81.17	1032	13	79.38	4527	55	82.31
Emily Norby							87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00	87	1	87.00
Marcy Savage							253	3	84.33	253	3	84.33	672	8	84.00
Keri Sawvell	81	88	89	81	339	t-48th	2200	27	81.48	1041	13	80.08	4084	50	81.68
Jenny Trendera							487	6	81.17	487	6	81.17	2124	25	84.96
Kristi Weichert							504	6	84.00	246	3	82.00	677	8	84.63

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University of Minnesota Women's Golf
1996-97 Player by Player Summary **

Player	Tourn- aments	Rounds/ Counted	Strokes	Avg	Best Rounds				Under			Top 5 Finishes	Top 10 Finishes	Top 20 Finishes
					18	36*	54	72	Par	Par	Wins			
Michelle Ballou	7	17/8	1391	81.82	78	159	242	332	0	0	1	1	1	2
Donna Boom	3	7/2	573	81.86	79	165	239		0	0	0	0	0	0
Amy Dahle	10	27/24	2120	78.52	70	154	226	317	1	1	1	3	7	8
Glenna Gilbert	1	2/0	171	85.50	84	171			0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolyn Klecker	10	27/23	2162	80.19	73	152	232	331	0	0	0	4	5	6
Melanie Lepp	9	24/16	1940	80.83	73	153	238	334	0	0	0	1	3	5
Cathy Lindblad	9	24/15	1948	81.17	73	153	234	331	0	0	0	2	4	4
Emily Norby	1	1/0	87	87.00	87				0	0	0	0	0	0
Marcy Savage	2	3/0	253	84.33	82	164			0	0	0	0	0	0
Keri Sawvell	10	27/17	2200	81.48	74	151	240	339	0	1	0	1	3	4
Jenny Trendera	3	6/2	487	81.17	79	159	245		0	0	0	1	1	2
Kristi Weichert	3	6/0	504	84.00	78	164	258		0	0	0	1	1	1

**Through 5/4/97

*Low 36-hole tournament score



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, May 17
TR hosts Minnesota Last Chance
11 a.m.
(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Women's Athletics hosts Ms. Gopher Golf fundraiser Friday at the Les Bolstad Golf Course
- Track and Field hosts Minnesota Last Chance
- Nora Sauska prepares for NCAA Tennis Championships
- Softball all-region honors announced

Last Week's Highlights

- Track and Field has 13 event winners at Minnesota Open
- Nicole Chimko provisionally qualifies for NCAA Championships in discus
- Rachel Nelson named academic all-district
- Rachel Nelson and Amber Hegland named second-team all-Big Ten

Announcements

MS. GOPHER GOLF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED--The 1997 Ms. Gopher Golf Tournament is Friday, May 16, at the Les Bolstad Golf Course. The shotgun start is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. The cost of tournament is \$125 and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and prizes, with all proceeds benefiting the Berg Scholarship Fund. For more information call 624-6587.

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Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota hosts the Minnesota Last Chance on Saturday, May 17. Field events will begin at 10 a.m. with track events at 11 a.m.

Tentative Schedule, Minnesota Last Chance Field Events

10:00 a.m.	Javelin, Women
10:50 a.m.	Javelin, Men
11:00 a.m.	Pole Vault, Men
11:00 a.m.	Long Jump, Men
11:00 a.m.	Long Jump, Women
12:00 p.m.	Shot Put, Men
12:45 p.m.	High Jump, Men
1:00 p.m.	Shot Put, Women
1:30 p.m.	Triple Jump, Men
1:30 p.m.	Triple Jump, Women
1:30 p.m.	Discus, Men, then Women
2:00 p.m.	Pole Vault, Women
2:30 p.m.	High Jump, Women

Track Events

11:00 a.m.	10,000 Meters, Women
12:00 p.m.	5000 Meters, Women
12:30 p.m.	4x100 Relay, Men
12:37 p.m.	4x100 Relay, Women
12:44 p.m.	3000 Meter Steeplechase, Men
1:00 p.m.	1500 Meters, Men
1:15 p.m.	1500 Meters, Women
1:35 p.m.	100 Hurdles, Women
1:50 p.m.	110 Hurdles, Men
2:00 p.m.	400 Meters, Men
2:07 p.m.	400 Meters, Women
2:17 p.m.	100 Meters, Men
2:27 p.m.	100 Meters, Women
2:37 p.m.	800 meters, Men
2:47 p.m.	800 Meters, Women
3:05 p.m.	400 Hurdles, Men
3:15 p.m.	400 Hurdles, Women
3:30 p.m.	200 Meters, Men
3:45 p.m.	200 Meters, Women
4:00 p.m.	3000 Meters, Women
4:15 p.m.	3000 Meters, Men
4:30 p.m.	4x100 Relay, Men
4:40 p.m.	4x100 Relay, Women

GOPHER REWIND — FOUR WIN TWICE AT MINNESOTA OPEN — Four Minnesota athletes each won two events at the unscored Minnesota Open on Saturday. The Gophers won 13 events overall.

NATALIE SMITH (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL) won the long jump with a leap of 18 feet, 5 inches. She also won the triple jump at 39-2 1/4. Her mark in the triple jump is the fifth-best mark in Minnesota history.

YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, D.C./WOODROW WILSON) won the 100 hurdles in a time of 14.19 seconds and the 400 hurdles in 1:01.14.

NICOLE CHIMKO (ALDERSYDE, ALBERTA/FOOT-HILLS COMPOSITE) won two throwing events, the javelin with a toss of 144-5 and the discus with a throw of 163-7. Her discus throw was the sixth-best in Minnesota history.

KIM HEATH (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY) won both the 100-meter dash (12.14 seconds) and the 200-meter dash (25.29). Both marks were Minnesota season-bests.

RELAY TEAM RANKS FIFTH — The 4x100-meter relay team of Heath, White, **SHELLIE BRAGGS** (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN) and **APASHA BLOCKER** (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT) placed first in a time of 47.24 seconds, the fifth-fastest time ever for Minnesota.

OTHER WINNERS —

- **ANNA GULLINGSRUD** (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) in the 3000 meters (10:21.14)
- **MARISSA MCGILL** (PLYMOUTH, MN/ARMSTRONG) in the 1500 meters (4:56.86)
- **KRISTIE STILES** (EDEN PRAIRIE, MN/EDEN PRAIRIE) in the 800 (2:18.02)
- 4x400-meter relay team of Smith, Braggs, **ALI GARTNER** (BUFFALO, MN/BUFFALO) and Stiles

PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS — Nicole Chimko and **DANI PARKOS** (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL) both provisionally qualified for the NCAA championships in the discus. It was the first provisional mark for Minnesota Open discus champion Chimko this season; she has also provisionally qualified in the javelin twice. Parkos, who finished second in the discus, has provisionally qualified three times this season in both the discus and shot put.

PARKOS AND CHIMKO TOPS IN BIG TEN — Parkos' discus mark of 168-11 set at the Texas Relays is the best discus throw in the Big Ten so far this season. Chimko's 156-11 in the javelin at the Raleigh Relays is also the best Big Ten javelin throw.

BLOCKER MOVES INTO TOP TEN — Apasha Blocker now ranks seventh all-time in the 100-meter hurdles with her time of 14.73.

UP NEXT--Minnesota travels to the Big Ten Championships, May 23-26 in Champaign, Ill.

Tennis

SAUSKA PREPARES FOR NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS--Newcomer **NORA SAUSKA** (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/VOROZSMARTY GYM) prepares this week for the NCAA Singles Championships May 17-25, in Stanford, Calif. Sauska becomes the third Minnesota athlete (**Tiffany Gates** and **Dana Peterson** were the others) in the past three seasons to qualify for the NCAA Singles Championships. The draw will be announced later this week. On the season, Sauska is 23-5 and ranked #62 in the nation.

MINNESOTA LOSES TO #29 INDIANA; FINISHES SEASON--Minnesota lost to Indiana, 5-2, in the first round of the NCAA Midwest Regional tournament in South Bend, Ind. The Gophers finish the year 11-7 overall and fifth in the Big Ten Conference.

Against Indiana, the Hoosiers won four of six singles matches to guarantee the win. The only winners for Minnesota were **ALICE RANGSITHIENCHAI** (FLOSSMOOR, IL/HOMEWOOD FLOSSMOOR) at the #2 singles position and **TARAH ELKINS** (BIRMINGHAM, MI/SEAHOLM) at the #5 singles position.

Indiana 5, Minnesota 2
(Minnesota players listed first)

Nora Sauska lost to Megan McCarney	6-1, 6-1
Alice Rangsithienchai def. Lizl Coetsee	4-6, 7-6, 6-1
Kim Simonsen lost to Correne Stout	6-2, 6-3
Jana Hrdinova lost to Jessica Anderson	5-7, 6-4, 6-4
Tarah Elkins def. Vahara Ahamed	3-6, 6-3, 6-4
Helen Wang lost to Christy Sharp	6-3, 6-3

Doubles

Elkins/Jenni Svehla lost to Sharp/Anderson	8-6
Rangsithienchai/Sauska vs. McCarney/Racey	8-8 (suspended)
Jennifer Hayes/Hrdinova vs. Ahamed/Stout	7-6 (suspended)

MINNESOTA DROPS IN NATIONAL RANKINGS--After moving to #28 in the national rankings earlier in the season, Minnesota fell to #50 in the latest Rolex Collegiate Rankings. The #28-ranking was the highest Minnesota has ever been ranked in the Rolex Collegiate Rankings.

SAUSKA DROPS TO #62--Newcomer Nora Sauska dropped to #62 in the last Rolex Rankings. Sauska had moved up to #40, tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher **Tiffany Gates** was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

Softball

GOPHERS' SEASON ENDS AT 37-19 — The Minnesota softball team did not receive a bid to the NCAA Tournament and ends its season with a 37-19 record. Big Ten tournament champion Michigan and conference regular-season titlist Iowa, as well as Michigan State, received bids into the national tournament.

HEGLAND, NELSON NAMED TO ALL-BIG TEN HONORS — Junior **AMBER HEGLAND** (FARMINGTON, MN/FARMINGTON) and senior **RACHEL NELSON** (GOOD THUNDER, MN/MAPLE RIVER) were named to the all-Big Ten Second Team. **Hegland**, the Gophers' leading hitter with a .400 batting average while playing at third base, is a three-time second-team all-Big Ten selection. It is the fourth conference honor for Nelson. She was a first-team pick in 1996 and a second-team selection in '94 and '95.

NELSON EARNS DISTRICT ACADEMIC HONORS — Rachel Nelson was named to the 1997 University Division GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-District V Softball Team by the College Sports Information Directors of America. Nelson is now eligible for the national academic all-America team announced June 5. Nelson has a 3.24 GPA in kinesiology and adapted physical education.

GOPHERS RANKED 21TH — The Gophers were ranked #21 in the USA Today / National Fastpitch Softball Coaches Poll, released last week. Defending national champion Arizona (52-4) continued to hold down the #1 spot, followed by South Carolina (57-3) and Iowa (46-5). Iowa and Minnesota were two of four Big Ten teams ranked in the top 25. Michigan was ranked eighth, while Michigan State was 13th.

NELSON'S FINAL HIT COUNT — Rachel Nelson ended her Minnesota career with a record 313 hits, which is also the most career hits in Big Ten history. Nelson's assault on the record books extended to the NCAA record book as well. Nelson ends her career fifth on the NCAA career hits list. Arizona's **Amy Chellevoid** is the best all-time with 371 hits from 1992-95.

NCAA Career Hits	Years	Games	Hits	Avg
1. Amy Chellevoid Arizona	1992-95	255	371	.415
2. Tiff Tootle South Carolina	1990-93	242	351	.432
3. Robyn Yorke Fresno State	1994-	220	335	.447
4. Martha Noffsinger Fresno State	1987-90	291	327	.335
5. Rachel Nelson Minnesota	1994-97	234	313	.386
6. Michelle Minton Coastal Carolina	1991-94	199	308	.458
7. Dana Fulmer South Carolina	1992-95	268	304	.368

8. Denelle Hicks Campbell	1993-96	219	300	.446
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JOHNSON LEADS NATION IN SAVES — Pitcher **JENNIFER JOHNSON** (DIAMOND BAR, CA/DIAMOND BAR) and Michigan State's **Erica Strutz** share the nation's top spot with eight saves. **Johnson** is also listed 15th in strikeouts per seven innings at 7.5.

THE STRIKEOUT RECORD— Senior pitcher **Jennifer Johnson**, who owned the Minnesota career strikeout record for the most of the last two seasons, completed her career with 528 strikeouts. In '97, **Johnson** struck out 118 batters in compiling an 9-10 record. It was the second consecutive season that **Johnson** hit the century mark in strikeouts.

1996-97 MINNESOTA TENNIS STATISTICS

Overall: 11-7 Big Ten: 6-4 Home: 6-2 Away: 4-3 Neutral: 1-2
 Big Ten Finish: 5th

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
2/1/97	Iowa State	W	6-1
2/7/97	Drake	W	6-1
2/9/97	DePaul	W	6-1
2/14/97	# 54 Purdue	W	7-0
2/16/97	# 63 Illinois	W	6-1
2/23/97	at Iowa	W	5-2
2/28/97	at #51 Syracuse	W	7-0
3/1	vs. #37 Maryland	W	4-3
3/7	Ohio State	W	6-1
3/9	# 24 Indiana	L	4-3
3/28	BYU-Hawaii	L	4-0
4/4	#69 Penn State	L	4-3
4/12	at #19 Michigan	L	7-0
4/13	at Michigan State	W	6-1
4/19	at #42 Northwestern	W	5-2
4/20	at #19 Wisconsin	L	4-3
4/27-30	at Big Ten Championships (West Lafayette, Ind.)		
	vs. #42 Northwestern	L	4-3
5/9	vs. #29 Indiana	L	5-2

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S TENNIS STATS

SINGLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	# 4	# 5	# 6	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Tarah Elkins			2-2	6-3	2-3		6-4	5-6	16-12	.571
Jennifer Hayes					0-1	3-1	0-6	2-1	3-8	.272
Jana Hrdinova			1-0	2-4	7-1	0-1	6-4	7-4	16-10	.571
Alice Rangsithienchai		12-5					7-3	5-4	19-8	.703
Nora Sauska	13-4						10-1	7-3	23-5	.821
Kim Simonsen		1-0	5-5	3-0	1-0	1-0	6-4	8-3	17-9	.607
Jenni Svehla			1-1	0-1			5-6	0-1	6-8	.428
Helen Wang					1-0	8-3	7-4	6-2	16-7	.696
Totals							47-31	40-23	116-67	.633

DOUBLES	# 1	# 2	# 3	Open	Big Ten	Total	PCT.
Svehla/Elkins	1-7			4-3	1-5	5-10	.333
Hayes/Rangsithienchai				0-4		0-4	.000
Simonsen/Wang				5-4		5-4	.500
Hrdinova/Sauska				4-2		4-2	.667
Elkins/Sauska	6-3	1-0			3-2	7-3	.700
Svehla/ Rangsithienchai		2-0				2-0	1.000
Hrdinova/Hayes	0-1	2-2	4-2		1-4	6-5	.545
Rangsithienchai/Simonsen		2-2	3-2		3-2	5-4	.555
Hrdinova/Simonsen		1-1	1-3		2-4	2-4	.333
Sauska/Rangsithienchai		2-2	1-0		3-2	3-2	.600
Hayes/Wang			1-0		1-0	1-0	1.000
				13-13	11-15	40-38	.512

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters

1. Kim Heath (i)	:12.14
2. Kim Heath (h)	:12.15
3. Kim Heath (c) (trials)	:12.59

200 meters

1. Kim Heath (i)	:25.29
2. Kim Heath (h)	:25.45
3. Kim Hofner (h)	:27.16

400 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (h)	:57.76
2. Ali Gartner (h)	:58.36
3. Ali Gartner (i)	:58.73

800 meters

1. Andrea Lentz (h)	2:17.16
2. Kristie Stiles (e)	2:17.85
3. Kristie Stiles (i)	2:18.02

1500 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (d)	4:34.63
2. Andrea Lentz (d)	4:34.71
3. Minna Haronoja (c)	4:46.77

3000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40
2. Anna Gullingsrud (i)	10:21.14
3. Karen Kleindl (h)	10:24.04

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (c)	17:37.46
2. Anna Gullingsrud (h)	17:41.18
3. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24

10,000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (d)	36:26.72
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100-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (i)	:14.19
2. Yvette White (f)	:14.20
3. Yvette White (c)	:14.89

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (f)	1:00.03
2. Yvette White (i)	1:01.14
3. Yvette White (d)	1:01.31

4x100-meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Braggs, Blocker (i)	:47.7
2. Heath, Smith, Braggs, White (d)	:47.66
3. Heath, Y. White, Hofner, Smith (h)	:48.03

4x400-meter Relay

1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
2. Smith, Gartner, Fuller, Stiles (h)	3:57.97
3. Smith, Braggs, Gartner, Stiles (i)	3:58.21

High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (c)	5-5 (1.65)
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Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith (d)	18-7 1/4 (5.67)
2. Natalie Smith (i)	18-5 (5.61)
3. Natalie Smith (c)	18-3 (5.57)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (g)	40-2 (12.24)
2. Natalie Smith (i)	39-2 1/4 (11.94)
3. Natalie Smith (a)	37-10 1/2 (11.54)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (h) *	49-1 (15.15)
2. Dani Parkos (g) *	48-10 (14.88)
3. Dani Parkos (a) *	48-1 1/4 (14.66)

Discus

1. Dani Parkos (b) *	168-11 (51.48)
2. Nicole Chimko (i) *	163-7 (49.86)
3. Dani Parkos (i) *	161-11 (49.36)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11 (47.84)
2. Nicole Chimko (g)	154-9 (47.16)
3. Nicole Chimko (d)	152-7 (46.52)

Heptathlon

1. Apasha Blocker (f) *	5,146 points
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* NCAA Provisional Qualifier

(a) Raleigh Relays (Raleigh, NC)

(b) Texas Relays (Austin, TX)

(c) Tom Botts Invitational (Columbia, MO)

(d) Mt. Sac Relays (Walnut, CA)

(e) Manitou Track and Field Classic (Northfield, MN)

(f) Penn Relays (Philadelphia, PA)

(g) Drake Relays (Des Moines, IA)

(h) Minnesota Classic (Minneapolis, MN)

(i) Minnesota Open (Minneapolis, MN)



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- Monday, May 19
TN at NCAA Championship
(Stanford, Calif.)
- Tuesday, May 20
TN at NCAA Championship
- Wednesday, May 21
TN at NCAA Championship
- Thursday, May 22
TN at NCAA Championship
- Friday, May 23
TN at NCAA Championship
TR at Big Ten Championship
(Champaign, Ill.) 1:30 p.m.
- Saturday, May 24
TN at NCAA Championship
TR at Big Ten Championship
10:15 a.m.
- Sunday, May 25
TN at NCAA Championship
TR at Big Ten Championship
11:40 a.m.

(All times CST)

What's Coming Up

- Nora Sauska plays at NCAA Tennis Championship
- Track and Field travels to Big Ten Championship

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- Dani Parkos wins shot put at Last Chance Meet
- 4x100 relay team runs third fastest time in history

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Track and Field

UP NEXT — Minnesota travels to the Big Ten Championships in Champaign, Ill. Competition begins Friday and continues through Sunday.

Schedule of events

Friday, May 23

- 1:45 Heptathlon 100-meter hurdles
- 2:20 Heptathlon High Jump
- 5:30 Heptathlon 200-meter dash
- 5:45 10,000-meter run

Saturday, May 24

- 10:15 Heptathlon Long Jump
- 11:30 Heptathlon Javelin
- 1:45 Heptathlon 800-meter run
- 2:10 4x100-meter relay (trials)
- 2:15 High Jump
- 2:30 1500-meter run (trials)
- 3:20 400-meter dash (trials)
- 3:30 Shot put
- 3:50 100-meter dash (trials)
- 4:20 100-meter hurdles (trials)
- 4:35 Long Jump
- 4:45 Javelin
- 5:05 800-meter run (trials)
- 5:35 200-meter dash (trials)
- 6:05 400-meter hurdles (trials)
- 6:35 3000-meter run

Sunday, May 25

- 11:40 Triple Jump
- 11:45 Discus
- 12:45 4x100-meter relay (finals)
- 1:05 1500-meter run (finals)
- 1:25 100-meter hurdles (finals)
- 1:40 400-meter dash (finals)
- 1:50 100-meter dash (finals)
- 2:03 800-meter run (finals)
- 2:18 400-meter hurdles (finals)
- 2:35 200-meter dash (finals)
- 2:49 5000-meter run (finals)
- 3:33 4x400-meter relay

PARKOS AND CHIMKO TOPS IN BIG TEN — Dani Parkos' discus mark of 51.48 set at the Texas Relays is the best

discus throw in the Big Ten so far this season. Nicole Chimko's 47.84 in the javelin at the Raleigh Relays is the best Big Ten javelin throw.

MINNESOTA THROWERS RANK HIGH — Minnesota is ranked in the top five of three Big Ten throwing lists. The Gophers have three marks in the discus list, with Dani Parkos first, Nicole Chimko second, and Tina McDonald fifth. Chimko is number one in the javelin. In the shot put, Parkos is third while McDonald is fourth.

PROVISIONAL QUALIFIERS — Dani Parkos has provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in the shot put four times this season. Parkos has also qualified for the discus three times. Nicole Chimko has provisionally qualified twice in the javelin and once in the discus. Tina McDonald has provisionally qualified in the shot put once.

GOPHER REWIND — DANI PARKOS (GRAND FORKS, ND/CENTRAL) provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships in the shot put at the Last Chance Meet at the Bierman Track and Field Stadium. Her throw of 49 feet, 1 3/4 inches also won the event.

RELAY TEAM IS THIRD ALL-TIME — The 4x100-meter relay team of KIM HEATH (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY), YVETTE WHITE (WASHINGTON, DC/WOODROW WILSON), SHELLIE BRAGGS (DALLAS, TX/LINCOLN) and APASHA BLOCKER (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT) placed first with the third-fastest Minnesota time ever, 47.02 seconds.

BLOCKER ALSO MOVES INTO ALL-TIME LIST — Blocker also placed first in the long jump with a leap of 18-1 3/4, the eighth-best Minnesota mark ever.

OTHER TOP-THREE RESULTS —

- NICOLE CHIMKO (ALDERSYDE, ALBERTA/FOOTHILLS COMPOSITE), first in the javelin with a toss of 148-8 (45.32m)
- ANDREA LENTZ (WILLMAR, MN/WILLMAR), second in the 800 meters (2:14.24)
- KAREN KLEINDL (GRACEVILLE, MN/CLINTON-GRACEVILLE), second in the 1500 meters (4:46.39)
- KERI ZWEIG (EXCELSIOR, MN/MINNETONKA), third in the 1500 meters (4:47.49)
- ANDREA SWANSBY (PEWAUKEE, WI/KETTLE MORAINES), third in the 5000 meters (18:56.47)
- Parkos, third in the discus at 159-3 (48.54m)
- TINA McDONALD (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST), second in the shot put (46-4)
- NATALIE SMITH (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL), third in the 400 meters (57.85).

UPCOMING SCHEDULE —

- May 23-25 at Big Ten Championships (Champaign, IL)
- June 4-7 at NCAA Championships (Bloomington, IL)

Softball

GOPHERS LAND THREE ON ALL-REGION SOFTBALL TEAM--RACHEL NELSON (GOOD THUNDER<,MN/ MAPLE RIVER), AMBER HEGLAND (FARMINGTON, MN/FARMINGTON) and STEPH KLAVITER (NEW ULM, MN/CATHEDRAL) have been named to the all-Mideast Region second team. The trio of players is now eligible for all-America awards, which will be announced this week in conjunction with the College Softball World Series in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Nelson is a four-time all-region honoree, having earned first-team status in 1995 and 1996, and second-team awards in 1994 and 1997. The Minnesota and Big Ten record holder with 313 career hits was a first-team all-American a year ago and a third-team all-America selection as a sophomore in 1995. Nelson started all 56 games in centerfield for the Gophers this season and a total of 234 contests in her career. In '97, she led the team with 45 runs scored, 71 hits and 25 stolen bases, while batting .382 from the plate. The Big Ten Conference honored Nelson as a member of the all-conference second team. She is also an academic all-America nominee after earning GTE/CoSIDA District V honors last week.

Hegland was named to the all-region second team as a utility player. During the 1997 season, Hegland played a total of five positions, spending the majority of innings at third base. A first-team all-region selection last year and a second-team pick in '95, Hegland joined Nelson on the all-Big Ten second team this spring. Hegland led the Gophers with a .400 batting average. She also broke career records in doubles (42) and RBI (133) during the season.

Klaviter adds the 1997 all-region second-team award to the one she earned last season. The sophomore pitcher was the workhorse of the Gophers' staff this season, pitching 138 innings and compiling a 16-4 record and a 1.32 ERA. She completed 11 of her 21 starts, including five shutout victories. Klaviter owns a 41-9 overall record after her second season with the Gophers. Her career win total of 41 already ranks fourth in Minnesota softball history.

Tennis

SAUSKA PLAYS IN NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP--Newcomer NORA SAUSKA (BUDAPEST, HUNGARY/ VOROZSMARTY GYM) plays in the NCAA Singles Championship May 17-25, in Stanford, Calif. Sauska becomes the third Minnesota athlete (Tiffany Gates and Dana Peterson were the others) in the past three seasons to qualify for the NCAA Singles Championships. Sauska opens the tournament Monday with a match against #1 seed Karin Miller of Duke. On the season, Sauska is 23-5 and ranked #62 in the nation.

SAUSKA DROPS TO #62--Newcomer Nora Sauska dropped to #62 in the last Rolex Rankings. Sauska had moved up to #40, tying her for the highest national ranking by a Minnesota athlete. Former Gopher Tiffany Gates was #40 to open the 1995-1996 season.

1997 University of Minnesota Women's Outdoor Track and Field Bests

100 Meters

1. Kim Heath (h)	:12.14
2. Kim Heath (g)	:12.15
3. Kim Heath (c) (trials)	:12.59

200 meters

1. Kim Heath (h)	:25.29
2. Kim Heath (g)	:25.45
3. Ali Gartner (g)	:26.54

400 meters

1. Kristie Stiles (g)	:57.76
2. Natalie Smith (i)	:57.85
3. Ali Gartner (g)	:58.36

800 meters

1. Andrea Lentz (i)	2:14.24
2. Minna Haronoja (i)	2:15.77
3. Andrea Lentz (g)	2:17.16

1500 meters

1. Minna Haronoja (d)	4:34.63
2. Andrea Lentz (d)	4:34.71
3. Karen Kleindl (i)	4:46.39

3000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (a)	10:17.40
2. Anna Gullingsrud (h)	10:21.14
3. Karen Kleindl (g)	10:24.04

5000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (c)	17:37.46
2. Anna Gullingsrud (g)	17:41.18
3. Kari Thompson (a)	17:48.24

10,000 meters

1. Anna Gullingsrud (d)	36:26.72
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100-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (h)	:14.19
2. Yvette White (e)	:14.20
3. Apasha Blocker (h)	:14.73

400-meter hurdles

1. Yvette White (e)	1:00.03
2. Yvette White (h)	1:01.14
3. Yvette White (d)	1:01.31

4x100-meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Braggs, Blocker (i)	:47.02
2. Heath, White, Braggs, Blocker (h)	:47.00
3. Heath, Smith, Braggs, White (d)	:47.00

4x400-meter Relay

1. Blocker, Smith, Braggs, Y. White (a)	3:54.20
2. Smith, Gartner, Fuller, Stiles (g)	3:57.97
3. Smith, Braggs, Gartner, Stiles (h)	3:58.21

High Jump

1. Apasha Blocker (c)	5-5 (1.65)
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Long Jump

1. Natalie Smith (d)	18-7 1/4 (5.67)
2. Natalie Smith (h)	18-5 (5.61)
3. Natalie Smith (c)	18-3 (5.57)

Triple Jump

1. Christine Gulbrandsen (f)	40-2 (12.24)
2. Natalie Smith (h)	39-2 1/4 (11.94)
3. Christine Gulbrandsen (h)	38-9 3/4 (11.83)

Shot Put

1. Dani Parkos (g) *	49-8 1/2 (15.11)
2. Dani Parkos (i) *	49-1 3/4 (14.98)
3. Dani Parkos (f) *	48-10 (14.88)

Discus

1. Dani Parkos (b) *	168-11 (51.48)
2. Nicole Chimko (h) *	163-7 (49.86)
3. Dani Parkos (h) *	161-11 (49.75)

Javelin

1. Nicole Chimko (a) *	156-11
2. Nicole Chimko (g) *	155
3. Nicole Chimko (f)	15

Heptathlon

1. Apasha Blocker (e) *

* NCAA Provisional Qualifier

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, June 4
TR at NCAA Championships
(Bloomington, Ind.)

Thursday, June 5
TR at NCAA Championships
(Bloomington, Ind.)

Friday, June 6
TR at NCAA Championships
(Bloomington, Ind.)

Saturday, June 7
TR at NCAA Championships
(Bloomington, Ind.)

(All times CST)

Week in Review

- Parkos wins Big Ten shot put title; is third in the discus
- Track and Field places seventh as a team at Big Ten's
- Throwers have a field day at Big Ten's
- Yvette White breaks the school record in the 100 hurdles
- Christine Gulbrandsen ranks third in the triple jump

Track and Field

PARKOS WINS BIG TEN SHOT PUT TITLE--Senior **DANI PARKOS** (GRAND FORK, ND/CENTRAL) won the 1997 Big Ten shot put title with a career-best throw at the Big Ten Championships in Champaign, Ill. Parkos had a throw of 51 feet, 10 1/2 inches, bettering her previous career best by over two feet. Her previous best throw was 49-8 1/2 set at the Minnesota Classic earlier this season and is the second-best throw in Minnesota history. Parkos, who redshirted last season to get stronger in an attempt to qualify for the Olympic Trials, adds the 1997 Big Ten shot put title to the Big Ten discus title she won in 1995. She then went on to place third in the discus with a throw of 156-07.

PARKOS RANKS IN TOP TEN IN NATION--With her throw over the weekend, Dani Parkos has entered the top ten in the nation in the shot put and should qualify for the NCAA Championships in Bloomington, Ind., beginning Wednesday, June 4.

MINNESOTA PLACES SEVENTH--Minnesota, competing without some of its top athletes, was fifth going into the final event, the 400-meter relay, but was disqualified in the event when **NATALIE SMITH** (ST. THOMAS, BARBADOS/THE ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL) ran out of her assigned land. Minnesota placed seventh as a team with 63 points. Wisconsin won the team title with 121 points followed by Michigan, Penn State, Ohio State, Indiana and Purdue.

THROWERS HAVE A FIELD DAY AT BIG TEN'S--Along with the Big Ten title of Dani Parkos in the shot put, the rest of the throwers had an outstanding championship as well. Sophomore **TINA MCDONALD** (AMHERSTBURG, ONTARIO/GENERAL AMHERST), throwing in front of her father for the first time in her career, threw a career-best 48-3 1/2 to finish fourth in the shot put. McDonald's throw moves her sixth place on the all-time Minnesota list and beats her previous career-high of 47-10 set at the Texas Relays earlier this year. In the discus, McDonald placed fourth with a toss of 152-08.

Newcomer **NICOLE CHIMKO** (ALDERSYDE, ALBERTA/FOOTHILLS COMPOSITE) was second in the javelin with a personal best throw of 159-10 on her last throw of the competition. Her throw ranks her fifth all-time in Minnesota history and raises her provisional qualifying mark for the NCAA Championships. Chimko then went on to place fifth in the discus with a throw of 146-09.

BLOCKER PLACES FOURTH IN HEPTATHLON--Sophomore **APASHA BLOCKER** (BROCKPORT, NY/BROCKPORT) also had a good championships as she finished fourth in the heptathlon and ninth in the javelin. Blocker finished with 5,107 points in the heptathlon and then placed ninth in the javelin with a throw of 107-07.

4x100 RELAY TEAM SURPRISES THE FIELD--The 4x100 relay team of **YVETTE WHITE** (WASHINGTON DC/WILSON), **KIM HEATH** (PITTSBURGH, PA/SCHENLEY),

SHELLIE BRAGGS (DALLAS, TX/CARTER) and **Apasha Blocker** surprised the field and placed third at the Big Ten meet. Minnesota entered the day as the eighth seed, but ran an outstanding race as Braggs caught runners from Purdue and Penn State on the third leg and passed the baton to Blocker who held on for third place. In the prelims, the 4x100 team of White, Heath, Braggs and Natalie Smith ran the second fastest time in school history at 46.67.

YVETTE WHITE SCORES 16 POINTS AT BIG TEN'S--In addition to running the second leg of the relay, Yvette White was a big scorer for the Gophers as she placed fifth in the 100 hurdles with a time of 14:02. White set the Minnesota school record in the event with a time of 13.99 in the prelims on Saturday. Then in the 400 hurdles, White ran a 1:00.69, to place third.

GULBRANDSEN SETS CAREER-BEST--Newcomer **CHRISTINE GULBRANDSEN** (KRISTIANSAND, NORWAY/KATEDRALSKOLE) was fifth in the triple jump with a career-best leap of 40-7, ranking her third all-time in Minnesota history.

GARTNER ENTERS TOP TEN LIST--Newcomer **ALISA GARTNER** (BUFFALO, MN/BUFFALO) entered the Minnesota top ten list in the 400 meters by clocking a time of 57.13 in Saturday's prelims. Gartner's time ranks her fifth in Minnesota history.

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4x100-meter Relay

1. Heath, White, Braggs, Blocker (j) (trials)	:46.67
2. Heath, White, Braggs, Blocker (i)	:47.02
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4x400-meter Relay

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High Jump

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