GOLDENGOPHERFOOTBALL

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Minnesota (3-8, 1-6) vs. Iowa (6-4, 3-4)

Saturday, Nov. 22, 1997 • Kinnick Stadium (70,397)

Kickoff: 1 p.m. (Central) • Iowa City, Iowa

The Series: Minnesota leads 55-33-2

The Series at Iowa: Minnesota leads 22-21-1

Last Meeting: The Hawkeyes defeated the Golden Gophers 43-24 before 53,349 fans at the Metrodome in Minneapolis on Nov. 23, 1996.

Last Week: The Golden Gophers defeated Indiana 24-12 at the Metrodome Saturday. The Hawkeyes lost 15-14 to Northwestern at Ryan Field in Evanston, Ill.

TV: Midwest Sports Channel (tape-delayed following Golden Gopher hockey at approximately 9:30 p.m.) (Ryan Lefebvre, play-by-play; Keith Fahnhorst, color).

Radio: WCCO-AM (830) (John Gordon, play-by-play; Paul Flatley, color).

LAMANZER LIGHTS IT UP

A candidate for All-America honors, Golden Gopher senior defensive end Lamanzer Williams has been a dominant player this season. He has already shattered the single-season school record with a Big Ten-leading 15.5 sacks. He went into last weekend's games ranked second in the nation in sacks (new national sacks leaders will be announced Tuesday). In addition, he has set another single-season school record with 20 tackles for loss. Williams, the all-time school leader with 20.5 career sacks, has 36 tackles (28 solos), 14 tackles for loss, 10 sacks, two pass breakups and three forced fumbles the past five games. Lamanzer, who also leads the team with 16 quarterback hurries and a Big Ten-leading five forced fumbles, is the brother of Dan Williams, a first-round draft pick of the NFL's Denver Broncos in '92. Dan currently plays for the Kansas City Chiefs.

FLOYD OF ROSEDALE

In 1935 "Floyd of Rosedale" was a championship hog that became the object of a wager between Minnesota Governor Floyd Olson and Iowa Governor Clyde Herring hinging on the outcome of that year's game. The wager was a diplomatic move to ease the tension between Golden Gopher and Hawkeye fans. Minnesota won the game 13-6 and brought home the prized hog, which had been donated by the owner of Rosedale Farms near Fort Dodge, Iowa, and named after the Minnesota governor. Later the spirit of good sportsmanship embodied by "Floyd" would live on in the form of a 15 1/2-inch high, 21-inch long bronze statue. Heading into Saturday's game at Kinnick Stadium, the Golden Gophers lead 35-25-2 in the battle for "Floyd of Rosedale". For more information, please turn to page 195 of the Golden Gopher media guide.



MINNESOTA SCHEDULE/RESULTS

MIN	MEGRIY GRUERATE\ÜE	OULIO		
Aug. 30	at Hawaii (MSC)	17-3 L		
Sept. 13	IOWA STATE (MSC)	53-29 W		
Sept. 20	at Memphis (MSC)	20-17 W		
Sept. 27	HOUSTON (MSC)	45-43 L		
Oct. 4	at Michigan St. (MSC, TD)	31-10 L		
Oct. 11	PURDUE (MSC)	59-43 L		
Oct. 18	at Penn State (ESPN Reg.)	16-15 L		
Oct. 25	WISCONSIN (ESPN2)	22-21 L		
Nov. 1	at Michigan (ESPN Reg.)	24-3 L		
Nov. 8	OHIO STATE* (MSC, TD)	31-3 L		
Nov. 15	INDIANA (MSC)	24-12 W		
Nov. 22	at Iowa (MSC, TD)	1 p.m.		
All times	are Central * Hor	necoming		
Head Coach: Glen Mason (Ohio State '72)				
Career (Seasons): 62-72-1 (12th season)				
	ta (Seasons): 3-8 (1st seaso	on)		
Mason vs. Iowa: First Meeting				

IOWA SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Sept. 6	NORTHERN IOWA	66-0 W
Sept. 13	TULSA	54-16 W
Sept. 20	at Iowa State (ABC)	63-20 W
Sept. 27	ILLINOIS (ESPN2)	38-10 W
Oct. 4	at Ohio State (ABC)	23-7 L
Oct. 18	at Michigan (ESPN)	28-24 L
Oct. 25	INDIANA (ESPN Reg.)	62-0 W
Nov. 1	PURDUE (ESPN2)	35-17 W
Nov. 8	at Wisconsin (ESPN)	13-10 L
Nov. 15	at Northwestern (ESPN2)	15-14 L
Nov. 22	MINNESOTA	1 p.m.
All times	are Central	

Head Coach: Hayden Fry (Baylor '51) Career (Seasons): 228-169-10 (36th season) Iowa (Seasons): 139-80-6 (19th season)

Fry vs. Minnesota: 11-7

DID KNOW?

The University of Minnesota football program will reach a major milestone Saturday at Iowa. The Golden Gophers, who have won six national titles, 18 conference titles and have charted an impressive 565-390-44 overall record (.588 winning percentage), will take the field for the program's 1,000th game in the '97 season finale against the Hawkeyes.



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THE OFFENSE

First Unit 7 - Luke Leverson (6-0, 177, So) 84 - Alex Hass (6-5, 250, So) 78 - Jon Albrecht (6-5, 299, Jr) 64 - Luke Glime (6-4, 270, Sr) 55 - Ben Hamilton (6-5, 258, Fr) 77 - Pat Hau (6-6, 279, So) 63 - Tim Socha (6-6, 291, Jr) 17 - Cory Sauter (6-5, 214, Sr) 36 - Byron Evans (5-9, 203, So) 38 - Justin Hall (6-3, 210, Fr) 1 - Tutu Atwell (5-9, 168, Sr)	Pos. WR TE LT LG C RG RT QB RB FB WR	Second Unit 9 - Greg Nelson (6-1, 208, Sr) 87 - Troy Duerr (6-4, 260, Jr) 74 - Jeff Baldauf (6-7, 289, Sr) 73 - Kris Hoffarth (6-5, 278, So) 61 - Jason Zander (6-5, 277, So) 66 - Ryan Roth (6-3, 300, Fr) 79 - Theron Von Behren (6-5, 268, So) 5 - Billy Cockerham (6-1, 202, So) 12 - Thomas Hamner (6-0, 183, So) 25 - Brad Prigge (5-10, 191, So) 88 - Ryan Hubbard (6-3, 223, Sr)
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THE DEFENSE

First Unit 91 - Raymond Baylor (6-1, 277, Sr) 58 - Antoine Richard (6-3, 283, Jr) 94 - Josh Rawlings (6-5, 281, So) 56 - Lamanzer Williams (6-4, 260, Sr) 45 - Sean Hoffman (6-3, 237, Fr) 37 - Parc Williams (6-3, 238, Jr) 46 - Rufus Smith (6-2, 241, Jr) 30 - Jimmy Wyrick (5-9, 170, So) 22 - Tyrone Carter (5-9, 178, So) 23 - Crawford Jordan (5-10, 194, Sr) 2 - Craig Scripps (5-9, 171, Jr)	Pos. DE DT DE OLB MLB OLB CB SS FS CB
2 - Craig Scruggs (5-9, 171, Jr)	СВ

Net Returns

Second Unit 98 - Mike Cernoch (6-6, 255, Fr) 41 - Mark Cross (6-3, 256, Sr) 92 - Dyron Russ (6-1, 278, So) 95 - Jon Michals (6-4, 252, So) 32 - Donny Dalton (6-1, 232, Sr) 52 - Luke Braaten (6-4, 231, So) 97 - Ben Mezera (6-4, 225, Fr) 43 - Mari Moore (6-1, 168, Jr) 28 - Tim Grate (5-11, 205, Jr) 8 - Keith Dimmy (6-1, 167, Jr)

20 - Fred Rodgers (5-9, 167, So)

Punt - 35 Ryan Rindels, 26 Steve Kemph PAT/FG - 19 Adam Bailey, 34 Erin McManus KO - 34 Erin McManus, 19 Adam Bailey Long Snaps - 18 Derek Rackley, 53 Scott Kneen Holder - 35 Ryan Rindels, 34 Erin McManus P/Return - 1 Tutu Atwell, 22 Tyrone Carter **KO/Return** - 22 Tyrone Carter, 1 Tutu Atwell, 30 Jimmy Wyrick, 4 Antoine Henderson

Led by senior Tutu Atwell and sophomore Tyrone Carter, the Golden Gophers have been one of the best return teams in the country this season. The Golden Gophers are ranked first in the Big Ten and fifth in the nation with an average of 25.7 yards per kick return. They are also second in the Big Ten and 17th in the nation with 12.0 yards per punt return. Carter is first in the Big Ten and 11th in the nation with an average of 26.8 per kick return, while Atwell is second in the league and 19th in the country at 26.0. Atwell is fourth in the Big Ten and 21st in the country with an average of 12.0 yards per punt return.

GAME-BY-GAME STARTING LINEUPS

OFF.	WR	TE	LT	LG ·	\boldsymbol{C}	RG	RT	QB	<i>RB</i>	FB/TE*	WR
Hawaii	Nelson	Hass	Herkenhoff	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Hamner	Duerr*	Atwell
ISU	Nelson	Hass .	Albrecht	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Henderson	Duerr*	Atwell
Memphis	Nelson	Hass	Albrecht	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Hamner	Hall	Atwell
Houston	Leverson	Hass	Herkenhoff	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Hamner	Hall	Atwell
MSU	Nelson	Hass	Albrecht	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Henderson	Hall	Atwell
Purdue	Nelson	Hass	Albrecht	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Hamner	Hall	Atwell
PSU	Nelson	Hass	Albrecht	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Hamner	Hall	Atwell
Wis.	Nelson	Hass	Albrecht	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Hamner	Duerr*	Atwell
Mich.	Nelson	Hass	Albrecht	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Evans	Hall	Atwell
OSU	Nelson	Hass	Herkenhoff	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Albrecht	Sauter	Evans	Hall	Atwell
Ind.	Leverson	Hass	Albrecht	Glime	Hamilton	Hau	Socha	Sauter	Hamner	Hall	Atwell
Iowa											
DEF.	DE	DT	DT	DE	OLB	MLB	OLB	CB	SS	FS	CB
DEF. Hawaii	DE Baylor	<i>DT</i> Richard	DT Russ	DE L. Williams	OLB Hoffman	<i>MLB</i> P. Williams	OLB Smith	<i>CB</i> Wyrick	SS Carter	FS Jordan	CB Scruggs
	Baylor	Richard	Russ	L. Williams	Hoffman	P. Williams	Smith	Wyrick	Carter	Jordan	Scruggs
Hawaii ISU	Baylor Baylor		Russ Russ			P. Williams P. Williams	Smith Smith	Wyrick Wyrick	Carter Carter	Jordan Jordan	Scruggs Scruggs
Hawaii	Baylor Baylor	Richard Richard	Russ	L. Williams L. Williams	Hoffman Hoffman	P. Williams	Smith Smith Mezera	Wyrick	Carter	Jordan	Scruggs Scruggs Scruggs
Hawaii ISU Memphis	Baylor Baylor Baylor	Richard Richard Richard	Russ Russ Russ	L. Williams L. Williams L. Williams	Hoffman Hoffman Hoffman	P. Williams P. Williams P. Williams	Smith Smith Mezera Smith	Wyrick Wyrick Wyrick	Carter Carter Carter	Jordan Jordan Jordan	Scruggs Scruggs Scruggs Scruggs
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HOTES & OTHER STUFF

Player of the Week: Sophomore strong safety Tyrone Carter was named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week for his efforts in Saturday's 24-12 win over Indiana. Carter collected a career-high 17 tackles (14 solos) and one pass breakup in the victory over the Hoosiers and now ranks second overall in the Big Ten with 120 total tackles (97 solos) on the season. That marks the highest total by a Golden Gopher since Jon Leverenz collected 162 tackles back in '87.

One Good Thing Deserves Another: Minnesota's 24-12 win over Indiana Saturday snapped a four-game losing streak to the Hoosiers. The Golden Gophers will now look to end a four-game losing skid against Iowa this Saturday.

Farewell Seniors: A total of 17 seniors will play the final game of their collegiate careers Saturday at Iowa:

Tutu Atwell	WR	Miami, Fla.
Jeff Baldauf	OT	Sun Prairie, Wis.
Raymond Baylor	DE	Houston, Texas
Mark Cross	DT	Milwaukee, Wis.
Donny Dalton	LB	Fontana, Calif.
James Elizondo	OG	Round Rock, Texas
Dave Erickson	DT	Sauk Rapids, Minn.
Luke Glime	OG	Bemidji, Minn.
Luke Herkenhoff	OT	Albany, Minn.
Ryan Hubbard	WR	Jensen Beach, Fla.
Gregg James	C	Clinton Township, Mich.
Crawford Jordan	FS	Fort Worth, Texas
Ray Kaiser	LB	St. Paul Park, Minn.
Dan Moore	LB	Cold Spring, Minn.
Greg Nelson	WR	Dallas, Texas
Cory Sauter	QB	Hutchinson, Minn.
Lamanzer Williams	DE	Ypsilanti, Mich.
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Young Guns: It goes without saying that the Golden Gophers are a young team with just six seniors among the squad's 22 starters. In fact, there are just 11 seniors listed on the 44-player two-deep depth chart heading into the '97 season finale at Iowa.

Taking Care of the Ball: Minnesota is ranked sixth in the Big Ten with a +2 (22 takeaways, 20 giveaways) in turnover margin this season. Minnesota ranked ninth in the Big Ten in turnover margin (-5; 21-26) in '96, tied for ninth in both '95 (-5; 19-24) and '94 (-8; 21-29), 10th in '93 (-11; 28-39), 11th in '92 (-12; 13-25) and 10th again in '91 (-9; 18-27). The Golden Gophers have not been on the plus side of the turnover battle since ranking sixth in the Big Ten with a +2 (27-25) in turnover margin in '90.

Looking Good: The Golden Gophers not only had just one turnover in Saturday's win over Indiana, but they also committed just two penalties for nine yards against the Hoosiers.

Making The Adjustments: Minnesota has outscored its opponents this season 125-116 in the second half.

Defense Steps Up: The Golden Gophers' bend, but don't break defense came up with some big plays against Indiana Saturday as they held the Hoosiers to four field goals in the first half and then scoreless in the second half. Sophomore cornerback Jimmy Wyrick intercepted a pass early in the third quarter in the end zone to snuff out a potential Indiana scoring drive, and then senior free safety Crawford Jordan collect-



- Directed one of the most monumental turnarounds in college football in nine seasons at Kansas
- √ 1995 Big Eight Conference Coach of the Year
- √ 1995 Football Writers Bear Bryant National Coach of the Year Award finalist
- √ 1992 Kodak Region IV Coach of the Year
- √ 1992 Football Writers Bear Bryant National Coach of the Year Award finalist
- N 1991 Big Eight Conference Coach of the Year
- √ 1986 Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year after turning around the Kent program
- V Linebacker on Ohio State's 1970 Big Ten championship team
- √ 62-72-1 record in his 12th season as a head coach
- √ 113-55-3 record in 14 seasons as an assistant coach
- N 175-127-4 overall record in his 26th season as a head/assistant coach

NOTES & OTHER STUFF (CONTINUED)

ed his seventh career interception early in the fourth quarter to squelch another Indiana drive deep into Minnesota territory. Lamanzer Williams had two sacks, three tackles for loss and a forced fumble, Tyrone Carter collected a career-high 17 tackles and junior linebacker Parc Williams had 12 tackles to go along with a big fumble recovery that put the game on ice.

Is That It?: No it's not. The defense has been steadily improving all season long. Wisconsin came into the Oct. 25 game against the Golden Gophers ranked third in the Big Ten and 18th in the nation in rushing offense with an average of 215.5 yards per game on the ground. The Golden Gophers not only held Wisconsin to just 163 net rushing yards, but it took the Badgers 52 attempts, an average of only 3.1 vards per carry, to reach that figure. The Golden Gophers were the first team this season to hold then No. 1 Penn State scoreless in the first quarter and without a TD in the first three quarters. The powerful Nittany Lions went into the game on Oct. 18 ranked third in the nation in total offense with an average of 508.8 yards per game and sixth in the country in scoring offense with an average of 43.0 points per game. The Nittany Lions were held to just 274 yards of total offense and 16 points in the game.

Sack Attack: Minnesota's defense is ranked first in the Big Ten with a single-season school record 36 sacks this season. That eclipsed the previous record of 30 sacks which was set during the '90 season. Minnesota had just eight total sacks during the '96 season and only 12 in '95. The seven sacks recorded by the Minnesota defense in the 53-29 win over Iowa State on Sept. 13 were the most since the defense registered seven in a 21-3 loss at Iowa on Nov. 20, 1993. The single-game school record of eight sacks was set in a 21-3 win at Wisconsin on Nov. 3, 1990.

National Sack Leaders: Northeast Louisiana's Steve Foley led the nation

RECORDS WATCH

The following school records have already been broken during the '97 season (previous record listed in parenthesis):

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Pass Attempts, Career	
Cory Sauter	929
(Marquel Fleetwood, 876, '89-92)	
Poss Commissions Comes	
Pass Completions, Career	500
Cory Sauter	532
(Marquel Fleetwood, 465, '89-92)	
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Cory Sauter	6,730
(Marquel Fleetwood, 5,279, '89-92)
250-Yard Passing Games, Career	,
Cory Sauter	11
(tied with Mike Hohensee, '81-82)	
Touchdown Passes, Career	
Cory Sauter	40
(D: 1 E : 24 294 97)	70
(Rickey Foggie, 34, '84-87)	
Receptions, Career	
Tutu Atwell	166
(Decem The Israell 126 204 06)	100
(Ryan Thelwell, 136, '94-96)	
Receiving Yards, Career	
Tutu Atwell	2,558
(Ryan Thelwell, 2,232, '94-96)	_,
(Ryan Therwen, 2,232, 94-90)	
100-Yard Receiving Games, Care	er
Tutu Atwell	11
(Ryan Thelwell, 9, '94-96)	
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Receiving TDs, Career	
Tutu Atwell	17
(Dwayne McMullen, 15, '82-84)	
Sacks, Career	
	20.5
Lamanzer Williams	20.5
(Ben Williams, 13, '88-91)	
Sacks, Season	
Lamanzer Williams	15.5
(Dennis Connelle 7.5 '00)	13.3
(Dennis Cappella, 7.5, '92)	
Tackles for Loss, Season	
Lamanzer Williams	20
(Steve Neils, 14, '73)	
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All-Purpose Yards, Season	1.005
Tutu Atwell	1,925
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The Last Time

Minnesota scored a touchdown on a kickoff return:

Sept. 13, 1997, wide receiver Tutu Atwell set a new Big Ten record and tied the NCAA mark with two kickoff returns for TDs (89 and 93 yards) in a 53-29 victory over Iowa State in the Metrodome.

Minnesota scored a touchdown on a punt return:

Oct. 5, 1996, cornerback Rodney Heath returned a Purdue punt 72 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter, but the Boilermakers came away with a 30-27 victory at Ross-Ade Stadium in West Lafayette, Ind.

Minnesota blocked a field goal attempt and returned it for a touchdown:

Oct. 21, 1989, free safety Frank Jackson blocked an Indiana field goal attempt and cornerback Fred Foggie returned it 98 yards for a fourth quarter touchdown. Indiana went on to win 28-18 at Memorial Stadium in Bloomington, Ind.

Minnesota scored a touchdown on a blocked punt:

Oct. 12, 1996, late in the third quarter, slotback Jimmy Wyrick stormed through to block a Northwestern punt attempt, flanker Lee Hutton scooped it up at the 30-yard line, and then ran it into the end zone to cut the Northwestern lead to 26-18. The No. 15 Wildcats held on for a 26-24 victory over the Golden Gophers at Dyche Stadium in Evanston, Ill.

Minnesota scored a touchdown on an interception:

Sept. 30, 1995, on the fourth play of the game, strong safety Crawford Jordan picked off a Johnny Covington pass and returned it 45 yards for his first career TD to put the Golden Gophers on top 7-0 en route to a 55-7 rout of Arkansas State.

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HOYES & OTHER STUFF (CONTINUED)

heading into last weekend with 15.5 sacks on the season, while Minnesota's Lamanzer Williams was second with 13.5 sacks. Boston College's Erik Storz and Florida State's Andre Wadsworth were tied for third with 13 sacks apiece, while Ron Warner of Kansas is fifth with 12.5. The new national sacks leaders will be announced Tuesday.

What's A Game Without A Sack Or Two: Lamanzer Williams has been a model of consistency throughout the '97 season. In fact, he has had at least one sack in nine of 11 games this season.

What A Rush!: The Golden Gophers are ranked fifth in the Big Ten and 39th in the nation in rushing defense by allowing just 132.5 yards per game on the ground this season. In contrast, Minnesota ranked 11th in the Big Ten and 104th in the nation in '96 by allowing a whopping 246.5 yards rushing per game.

The Century Mark: During the '96 season the Golden Gophers allowed opposing running backs to rush for over 100 yards in 10 of 11 games. That included 297 yards by Wisconsin's Ron Dayne and 315 yards by Robert Holcombe of Illinois in back-to-back games. This year only three opposing running backs — Houston's Vaughn Inniss (129 yards), Penn State's Curtis Enis (112 yards) and Dayne (183 yards) — have surpassed the century mark on the ground against the stubborn Golden Gopher defense.

Bright Future: At 29 years of age, David Gibbs is not only the youngest defensive coordinator in Division I-A football this season, but more important-

ly a talented coach with a bright future. When the Golden Gophers faced Penn State in Happy Valley on Oct. 18, his counterpart across the field was Nittany Lion defensive coordinator Jerry Sandusky. Sandusky was a coach for the Nittany Lions before Gibbs was even born. Sandusky is in his 30th season on the Penn State staff.

"Touchdown Tyrone": A 5-9, 178-pound sophomore with a real nose for the football, strong safety Tyrone Carter leads the team and is second in the Big Ten with 120 total tackles, including 97 solos. The single-season school record for solo tackles is 103 set by George Washington back in '75. Carter made his first collegiate start a memorable one last fall when he returned two fumbles for TDs against Syracuse in front of a national television audience on ESPN2, a new Big Ten and NCAA single-

REGORDS WATCH, 2

Field Goals. Game

Adam Bailey vs. Penn St., Oct. 18 5 (previous record of 4 held by many, most recently Bailey vs. Ball St. in '96. Note: This is also a modern-day Big Ten record)

Sacks, Game

Jon Michals vs. Iowa St., Sept. 13 3 Lamanzer Williams vs. Penn St., Oct. 18 (tied with Andy Kratochvil vs. Kansas St. in '93)

Team Sacks, Season
(30 in '90)
36
Team Kickoff Return Yards, Season
(1,139 in '93)
1,155
Team Kickoff Return Yards, Game
Iowa State, Sept. 13
(250 vs. San Jose St. in '92)

Team Kickoff Returns for TDs, Game vs. Iowa St., Sept. 13 2 (1 several times, most recently vs. Michigan in '92)

The Golden Gophers have a shot at breaking the following school records heading into the season finale at Iowa (current record in parenthesis):

Pass Completion Percentage, Career Cory Sauter (532-of-929) (Mark Carlson, .570, 255-of-447, '77-79) Kickoff Return Average, Season Tyrone Carter 26.8 Tutu Atwell 26.0 (Bobby Weber, 27.4, '77) Punt Return Yards, Season 252 Tutu Atwell (Rick Upchurch, 305, '73) Field Goals, Season Adam Bailey 15 (Paul Rogind, 18, '77) Punting Yards, Season 2,577 Ryan Rindels (Frank Mosko, 2,835, '73) Solo Tackles, Season Tyrone Carter (George Washington, 103, '75) 97 Team Field Goals, Season (18 in '77) 15 Team Kickoff Return Average, Season (23.7 in '77)

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The Last Time

Minnesota scored a safety:

Oct. 25, 1997, the ball was snapped over Wisconsin punter Kevin Stemke's head and out of the end zone, but the Badgers still came away with a 22-21 victory over the Golden Gophers at the Metrodome.

Minnesota shut out its opponent:

Oct. 20, 1990, Minnesota beat Indiana 12-0 in the Metrodome to record its first shutout since 1977.

Minnesota beat Iowa:

Nov. 21, 1992, Rob St. Sauver completed 21 of 32 pass attempts for 261 yards and two TDs to lead the Golden Gophers to a 28-13 win over the Hawkeyes before 57,368 fans at the Metrodome.

AND THE WINNER IS:

The University of Minnesota football program has charted a 565-390-44 (.588) overall record heading into Saturday's season finale against Iowa.

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6 National Titles	18 Big Ten Titles
1934	1900
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game record. Nicknamed "Touchdown Tyrone" after scoring 23 TDs during his final prep season at Ely High School in Pompano Beach, Fla., he started the final nine games of the '96 season and ranked second on the team with 83 tackles.

Best Of The Best: Tyrone Carter's two fumble returns against Syracuse last fall were honored as part of the College Football "Plays of the Year." Carter's heroics were named the Best "Hustle Plays" of the Year. Sports information directors throughout the country submitted nominations and then a panel of SID's and sportswriters determined the winners in each category. Texas quarterback James Brown's 61-yard pass to tight end Derek Lewis late in the Big 12 championship game that sealed a win over Nebraska was named the '96 "Play of the Year."

Defensive Stopper: Parc Williams is second on the team and seventh in the Big Ten with 108 tackles, including 78 solos, through 11 games. The two-time Academic All-Big Ten choice and GTE Academic All-America District V selection, had 12 solo tackles and a fumble recovery in Saturday's win over Indiana. It marked the seventh time this season and the 13th time in his career that he has reached double digits in tackles in a game. A great story of perseverance and dedication, he led the team with 98 tackles last season. As a true freshman in the '94 season opener against Penn State, he suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament to his left knee on the very first play of his collegiate career. He received a medical redshirt season and then came back in '95 to rank fourth on the team with 56 tackles.

Fargo Flash: Redshirt freshman linebacker Sean Hoffman of Fargo, N.D., is third on the team through 11 games with 89 total tackles, including 55 solos. He had his first career interception in the season opener at Hawaii on Aug. 30. He also is tied for the team lead with three fumble recoveries to his credit. The first came against Iowa State on Sept. 13, the second against Michigan State on Oct. 4 and the third against Wisconsin on Oct. 25 when he stripped the ball from the running back and then pounced on it to help set up the Golden Gophers' first touchdown of the game. He had a single-game best 10 total tackles against the Badgers and then matched that with 10 more against Michigan on Nov. 1 when he also had a sack, two tackles for loss and a pass breakup.

It's Been Mesmerizing: The performance of true freshman outside linebacker Ben Mezera, who is tied for the team high with three fumble recoveries and two interceptions, has been mesmerizing. Mezera recovered a fumble and intercepted a pass at Penn State on Oct. 18. He had two sacks and intercepted a pass in his first collegiate game against Iowa State Sept. 13. He then provided the appropriate encore by recovering two fumbles that directly led to the two Golden Gopher TDs in the win at Memphis on Sept. 20.

In The Trenches: Lamanzer Williams and junior defensive tackle Antoine Richard lead a much-improved Golden Gopher defensive line that has held its own this season. Richard is sixth overall on the team with 61 total tackles this season. He had a career-high 10 tackles against Houston on Sept. 27. Sophomore defensive end Jon Michals, who made his first career start against Ohio State on Nov. 8, matched the school single-game record with three sacks against Iowa State on Sept. 13.

It's All Secondary: The Golden Gopher secondary has done a solid job this season. Penn State came into the game on Oct. 18 averaging over 250 passing yards per outing. The Golden Gophers held the Nittany Lions to just 86 passing yards in the game, including only 10 in the first half. Tyrone Carter, and free safeties Keith Dimmy and Crawford Jordan, who has 277 career tackles and seven career interceptions, have been joined in the lineup by cornerbacks Craig Scruggs and Jimmy Wyrick. A junior who started five games in '96, Scruggs has a team-leading 11 pass breakups and is

"RAH, RAH, RAH"

One of the most visible traditions in sports was born nearly 100 years ago at the U of M. In 1898, student Johnny Campbell offered to lead organized cheers at football games after three straight losses, and an editorial in the school paper called for more enthusiasm at home games. Campbell led organized cheers at the next home game against Northwestern. Minnesota won 17-6, and much of the credit went to Campbell and his "yell leaders." At that late-season game, the tradition of cheerleading was born.

HOME PAGE

The Golden Gophers' new athletics website, located at www.gophersports.com, was named "Best Website in the State" at the Minnesota Magazine Publishers Associaton's Excellence Awards on Nov. 6 at the Metropolitan Ballroom in Minneapolis. The Golden Gopher men's and women's media relations departments, along with MSP Inter@ctive, who created and helps maintain the site, were rewarded for their diligent work in keeping the website current with statistics and fresh content on a daily basis.

THE NICKNAME

The Gopher mascot is a tradition as old as the state. Minnesota was tabbed the "Gopher State" in 1857 after a cartoon satirizing proposed legislative action for \$5 million for building railroads in western Minnesota was published. The cartoon depicted nine gophers with the heads of politicians pulling a locomotive. Later, the "U" picked up the nickname.

BIG TEN TELEGONFERENGE

Golden Gopher Head Coach Glen Mason is available each Tuesday during the season at 12:40 p.m. (Central) on the Big Ten teleconference call. Media should call (847) 619-6161 to participate. Please do not release this phone number to the public.

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tied for the team lead with two interceptons. A former receiver who made the switch to the defensive side of the ball this season, Wyrick, a sophomore, snuffed out a potential scoring drive at Michigan Nov. 1 with his first career interception and then turned the trick again with another "pick" in the end zone against Indiana Saturday. Ranked second on the team with 10 pass breakups, Wyrick is also fifth overall with 62 total tackles, including 51 solos.

What A Kick!: Junior placekicker Adam Bailey set a single-game school record and tied the modern day (since 1939) all-time Big Ten single-game mark with five field goals at Penn State on Oct. 18 en route to earning Big Ten co-Special Teams Player of the Week honors along with Iowa's Tim Dwight and Northwestern's Anwawn Jones. Bailey tied his career-long with a 52-yarder to open the scoring and then came back to hit a 50-yarder in the third quarter. A Lou Groza semifinalist both in '96 and again this season, he is now ranked third in the Big Ten and 17th in the nation with 1.36 field goals per game. He has hit 15-of-19 field goal attempts this season to rank second in the conference with a .789 field goal percentage. He has three makes from 50-plus yards and is a perfect 23-of-23 on PATs.

What A Kick — Part Two: The punting game has been a thorn in the Golden Gophers' side for many years — a U of M punter has not averaged over 40 yards per attempt in a season since Brent Herbel averaged 40.4 yards per kick in '86. Heading into Saturday's season finale at Iowa, sophomore Ryan Rindels is averaging 40.9 yards per punt. He also had a short stint at quarterback against Purdue on Oct. 11; one play to be exact. He connected with cornerback Jimmy Wyrick on a 42-yard touchdown pass on a second-quarter fake punt which cut the Golden Gophers' deficit to 24-21. It was a career first for both.

Just Tutu Much: A preseason All-Big Ten choice by Sporting News, senior wide receiver Tutu Atwell is one of the country's most electrifying players. He is ranked first in the Big Ten and sixth in the country with an average of 175.0 all-purpose yards per game. In addition, he is also fifth in the Big Ten with 4.8 receptions per game, second in the conference and 19th in the nation with an average of 26.0 yards per kick return, and fourth in the league and 21st in the country with an average of 12.0 yards per punt return

More Tutu: Tutu Atwell is the all-time school career leader in receptions (166), receiving yards (2,558) and receiving TDs (17). He is ranked eighth on the all-time Big Ten records list in receptions and ninth in receiving yards. A durable performer who has never missed a game during his career (44 straight games), he has now caught at least one pass in a school record 35 consecutive games. He set a new single-season school record with 62 receptions in '96 and has caught a team-leading 53 passes this season.

What's The Latest: Tutu Atwell has already set a single-season school record with 754 yards on kick returns this season. The previous mark of 715 was set by John Lewis in '92. Atwell is also tied with Lewis (set in '92) for the single-season school record with 29 kickoff returns.

All-Around Guy: With 1,925 all-purpose yards through 11 games, Tutu Atwell has set another single-season school record. The previous record of 1,742 all-purpose yards was set by Chris Darkins in '94. Atwell, who had 214 all-purpose yards in Saturday's win over Indiana, is also ranked fourth on the all-time school records list with 3,759 career all-purpose yards. Darrell Thompson ('86-89) is first with 4,825 yards, Chris Darkins ('92-95) second with 4,594 yards and Marion Barber ('77-80) is third at 3,794.

Jack Of All Trades: Tutu Atwell stunned the crowd against Purdue at the Metrodome on Oct. 11 when he took a pitch from Cory Sauter on Minnesota's first drive of the

FIRST CHAMPIONSHIP

Minnesota recorded an undefeated season in 1892, playing future Big Ten opponents Michigan and Northwestern that season. That year the team won its first-ever conference title, winning the Intercollegiate Athletic Association of the Northwestern championship.

ALFRED PILLSBURY

Alfred Pillsbury was one of the founders of football at Minnesota. In the early days there were no governing bodies regulating collegiate eligibility, and Pillsbury played at Minnesota for eight seasons, from 1885-92. His greatest contribution may have been changing the team's style of play from the soccer style to the rugby style of play. He accomplished this mainly because he owned the only rugby ball in town!

146-0

In 1904 Minnesota rolled to its most lopsided victory ever, a 146-0 thrashing of Grinnell. In this game Minnesota broke what was referred to as "the world's record for scoring", the previous high being a 130-0 Michigan victory over West Virginia. The Golden Gophers were consistent, scoring 73 points in each half. The record stood for 13 years. Minnesota went on to a perfect 13-0 season and its third overall Big Ten crown.

MAROON & GOLD

In 1880 the University of Minnesota was preparing for spring graduation. For the previous 29 years, different graduation colors were used every ceremony. In the spring of 1880, President Folwell began a tradition of common school colors at the University. He asked an English instructor, Mrs. Augusta Smith, to select proper colors to use for graduation ribbons and other occasions. She chose maroon & gold, which made a favorable impression on the students and faculty in 1880. As the years passed and without any kind of formal action, maroon & gold became the official school colors.

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game and launched a 31-yard touchdown pass to senior wide receiver Greg Nelson to put the Golden Gophers ahead 7-0. Atwell also had 87 yards on kickoff returns and 21 yards on punt returns. In addition he carried the ball twice for 44 yards and caught two passes for 61 yards and a touchdown against the Boilermakers.

Is That A Fact?: Tutu Atwell set a new single-game Big Ten record and tied the all-time NCAA mark by returning two kickoffs for TDs in the 53-29 win over Iowa State on Sept. 13. He set another Big Ten record with a total of 225 yards on four kickoff returns to break former Golden Gopher John Lewis' single-game mark of 223 yards set against San Jose State in '92. Atwell, who had 59 yards on three punt returns, also had a 90-yard punt return for a TD called back because of a penalty. The 284 yards in total kick returns also set a new Big Ten and NCAA record. Honored as the Big Ten Special Teams Player of the Week, he also had five receptions for 44 yards and a TD, and 21 yards rushing, to finish the game with a school record 349 all-purpose yards.

Making History: The NCAA Division I-A record that Tutu Atwell tied with his two kickoff returns for TDs against Iowa State has been accomplished only eight times in NCAA history by seven different players. Notre Dame's Raghib Ismail is the only player to accomplish the feat twice during his career. "The Rocket" had kickoff returns of 87 and 83 yards for TDs against Rice on Nov. 5, 1988, and then returns of 88 and 92 yards against Michigan on Sept. 16, 1989. The most recent player to run two back in a game was Texas A&M's Leeland McElroy with returns of 93 and 88 yards against Rice on Oct. 23, 1993. Atwell's 284 yards in total kick returns (225 yards on kickoffs and 59 yards on punts) also set a new NCAA Division I-A record, shattering the old mark of 247 yards held jointly by Nebraska's Tyrone Hughes (vs. Kansas State on Oct. 6, 1991) and Brigham Young's Golden Richards (vs. North Texas on Sept. 10, 1971).

What If?: If Tutu Atwell's 90-yard punt return for a TD against Iowa State hadn't been called back due to a Golden Gopher penalty, he would have set another NCAA Division I-A single-game record with three total kick returns (punt or kickoff) for TDs. Several players hold the record with two. Credited with a seven-yard punt return on the play (from the spot of the infraction), he would also have come oh so close to the NCAA mark for all-purpose yards in one game. Without the penalty, Atwell would have finished the game with 432 all-purpose yards. The single-game record is held by Brian Pruitt of Central Michigan who racked up 435 all-purpose yards (356 yards rushing, 79 yards on kickoff returns) vs. Toledo on Nov. 5, 1994.

Three's A Charm: The NCAA Division I-A record for kickoff returns for TDs in a season is three. The mark is held by six players, most recently Leeland McElroy of Texas A&M in '93. The career record is six held by USC's Anthony Davis ('72-74).

Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award: A preseason All-Big Ten selection by Sporting News and Lindy's, senior quarterback Cory Sauter was one of 17 candidates for the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award. The honor is presented annually to the nation's top senior quarterback by the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Educational Foundation, Inc. and the Kentucky Chapter of the National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame, Inc.

Sauter Closing In On More Records: In addition to having already broken school records for career passing yards (6,730), career completions (532), career attempts (929) and career TD passes (40), Cory Sauter is ranked second behind Rickey Foggie ('84-87, 7,312) with 6,520 yards in career total offense.

One-Two Punch: Head Coach Glen Mason has rotated his quarterback duo of Cory Sauter and sophomore Billy Cockerham at times during the last half of the season, with Sauter still getting the majority of the playing time. A multi-talented athlete with loads of potential, Cockerham has completed 12-of-23 passing attempts for 232 yards and

HALL OF FAMERS

Four former Golden Gophers are in the Pro Football Hall of Fame:

Bobby Bell Bud Grant Bronko Nagurski Leo Nomellini

BIG TEN TITLES

Minnesota is ranked third overall with 18 Big Ten football titles. Michigan leads the way with 37 league crowns, followed by Ohio State with 27 and then the Golden Gophers. A complete listing of Big Ten titles by school follows:

- 1. Michigan 37
- 2. Ohio State 27
- 3. MINNESOTA 18
- 4. Illinois 14
- 5. Iowa & Wisconsin 9
- 7. Purdue, Chicago, Northwestern - 7
- 10. Michigan State 6
- 11. Indiana 2
- 12. Penn State 1

ON THE AIRWAVES

The "Glen Mason Show" airs on the Midwest Sports Channel (MSC) every Monday throughout the season at 6:30 p.m. Coach Mason can also be heard on WCCO-AM (830), the flagship station for Golden Gopher football, on Sundays at 9:30 a.m., Tuesdays and Fridays at 8:20 a.m., Thursdays at 5:40 p.m., and his pregame and postgame shows. He will also appear each Saturday at 11:05 p.m. throughout the season on KARE-TV's "Gopher Sports Extra."

TEAM GAPTAINS

Senior quarterback Cory Sauter, senior wide receiver Tutu Atwell, senior free safety Crawford Jordan and junior linebacker Parc Williams are serving as team captains for the Golden Gophers in '97.

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three TDs this season. Cockerham also has 126 yards on 43 rushing attempts, including a career-long 22-yarder against Wisconsin on Oct. 25.

Center of Attention: Redshirt freshman center Ben Hamilton has been outstanding this year for the Golden Gophers. The son of former Minnesota Vikings' offensive lineman Wes Hamilton, he has been the most consistent performer for the Golden Gophers along the offensive line and is a candidate for All-Big Ten honors.

Herk's Been Missed: It goes without saying that the Golden Gophers have missed the full-time services of senior offensive left tackle Luke Herkenhoff, who suffered a sprained knee in prefall drills. A returning starter for the Golden Gophers, "Herk" has played in only three games this season — Hawaii on Aug. 30, Houston on Sept. 27 and then Ohio State last Saturday.

Heartbreak City: Three of the Golden Gophers' eight defeats this season have been by a combined total of four points. In addition to back-to-back, one-point losses at then-No. 1 Penn State (16-15) on Oct. 18 and at home to Wisconsin (22-21) on Oct. 25, the Golden Gophers lost by two points (45-43) to Houston at the Metrodome on Sept. 27.

You Don't Say: The University of Minnesota has played a total of 40 one-point games in the long and storied history of its intercollegiate football program. The Golden Gophers have a 20-20 overall record in those games.

Attendance Watch: The Golden Gophers attracted 269,385 fans to the Metrodome for the team's six home games this season for an average of 44,898 fans per game. That's the second-highest average since '87 when 53,131 fans per game came through the turnstiles. The Golden Gophers averaged 48,574 fans per game in '95.

Fax On Demand: One phone call from a fax machine handset allows instant access to the Big Ten member schools' up-to-date information (releases/game notes, statistics, depth charts, etc.). The information can be accessed by calling (770) 399-3066 and entering the Big Ten passcode #282. This is for media use only. The University of Minnesota football "cell" numbers are listed below:

#2210 Weekly release (includes notes, quotes, statistics, depth chart, etc.)

#2211 Cumulative team & individual statistics

#2212 Rosters/Schedule

#2213 Statistics from most recent game

Golden Gopher Hotline: The Golden Gopher Hotline features daily interviews with coaches and players. It is available to the media 24 hours a day by calling (612) 625-7887. The Hotline is broadcast quality and is changed by noon each day (unless noted). Do not release the phone number to the public. The Minnesota-Iowa game week schedule is as follows:

Mon. (Nov. 17): Defensive coordinator David Gibbs

Tues. (Nov. 18): Coach Mason's news conference (available 1 p.m.)

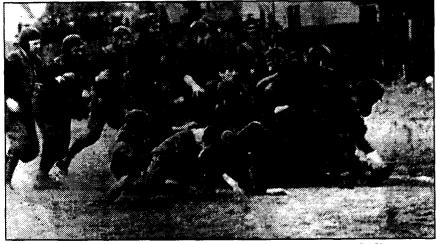
Wed. (Nov. 19): Quarterback Cory Sauter, wide receiver Tutu Atwell and

defensive end Lamanzer Williams

Thurs. (Nov. 20): Basketball Coach Clem Haskins

Fri. (Nov. 21): Hockey Coach Doug Woog

Sat.-Sun. (Nov. 22-23): Coach Mason's postgame Iowa news conference



1900: The first known action photo of a Minnesota football game.

After 114 seasons of Minnesota football that have included 18 conference titles, six national championships, a Heisman Trophy winner and 49 first-team All-Americans, the Golden Gophers will reach a new milestone Saturday in Iowa City, Iowa, when the team plays its 1,000th game in school history.

With the success of the first 999 games, the University and the state of Minnesota can take pride in knowing that the next 1,000 games should be just as exciting. With new Head Coach Glen Mason at the helm, the Golden Gophers will be a force to be reckoned with in the Big Ten in the near future.

But the journey through the next 1,000 games cannot begin without a brief look back at what brought the Maroon and Gold into this Saturday's battle with Iowa (by no means can we even begin to cover all the highlights in just one page).

First game in school history

Minnesota football history was made on Sept. 29, 1882, when Minnesota played Hamline at the Col. King State Fairgrounds in South Minneapolis. These two teams, along with Carleton, were to take part in a "Field Day" at the Fairgrounds. Carleton failed to show-up, and Hamline nearly left. But Minnesota team captain A.J. Baldwin talked Hamline into staying and playing what would be the first football game in Minnesota history. Baldwin scored the first points of the game to lead the Gophers to a 4-0 win.

They called him Coach

In the fall of 1883, Thomas Peebles came to Minnesota to teach mental and moral philosophy. Soon after he came to the University, some of the boys found out that their professor had played football at Princeton and asked him to help with their game against Carleton College.

So in the fall of 1883, Peebles became the first head football coach at the University of Minnesota.

The 100th Game

The turn of the century also marked the year for Minnesota's 100th football game. On Nov. 12, 1900, the Men of Gold took the field to play Northwestern in front of 3,000 fans.

Minnesota shut out Northwestern 21-0 on that day, and many who saw the game said it was the best performance of the year by the Golden Gophers. One news source described the scene by writing that "Victory is again Minnesota's, and by the convincing score of 21 to 0. Northwestern's gritty and clever football players could not stand against the terrific charges of the big North Star men, though they

played a splendid game and used their heads in every play today."

The Great Coach, Henry L. Williams

The season of 1900 was a year of great achievement for the Gophers. It was the first under the coaching of Henry "Doc" Williams. The

Gophers went 10-0-2 in 1900 and captured their first Big Ten title. Dr. Williams, who coached the Gophers for 22 years, called the team one of the best teams he ever saw.

The First All-American

In 1909, John McGovern was named the best quarterback in the country and given a place on the All-America Team, the first Gopher player to gain this honor. Squatty and powerfully built, McGovern was an outstanding player for three years. Except for one game, he played every minute of every game for three years.

The Legend of Memorial Stadium

On Thursday, March 6, 1924, in spite of snow and cold wind, 500 Minnesotans gathered at the corner of Oak Street and University Avenue to watch University President L.D. Coffman pitch the first spadeful of dirt, which marked the official start to the building of Memorial Stadium. The stadium was ready for the opening game of the 1924 season, 42 days ahead of schedule. The first official game in the stadium was against North Dakota, in which the Golden Gophers won 14-0 after "playing far below expectations." The formal dedication took place on the day of the Illinois game, and the team responded by winning 20-7.

The first points ever scored in Memorial Stadium were by Minnesota's Clarence Schutte, who plunged over the goal line from two yards out to break a scoreless tie in the third quarter

against North Dakota.

Unfortunately for Minnesota fans, the last game at Memorial Stadium was Nov. 21, 1981, when Wisconsin defeated Minnesota, 26-21. The final points scored by Minnesota in the stadium came when quarterback Mike Hohensee connected with Chester Cooper on a four-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter to give the Gophers a 21-20 lead. However the legend of Memorial Stadium ended when Badger reserve quarterback Randy Wright hit Michael Jones for a seven-yard TD pass with 1:05 remaining.

Bronko

The 1929 season will be remembered as the final season for Bronko Nagurski. Sportswriters decided after his senior season in 1929 that he was the best fullback and the best tackle in the nation, making Nagurski the first player ever to be named first-team, consensus All-American at two different positions in the same season. In 1979, his No. 72 was officially retired

from the Minnesota roster.

The First of Six National Championships The 1934 season will go down as one of the most memorable in Golden Gopher history. A 34-0 win over Wisconsin in the final game of the season gave the Golden Gophers an undefeated season

and shot them into national prominence as they were voted national champions in every poll for the first time. Bernie Bierman, who was in his third year of coaching, led the team with the modesty and quietness that became typical of him. It wasn't until the end of the season when the Little Brown Jug, the national and Big Ten championships were secure did Bierman smile.

The Heisman Trophy
The 1941 season will not only be remembered as a national championship season, but also as a season in which possibly the best football player in Golden Gopher history, Bruce Smith, became the first and only player to be honored with the Heisman Trophy Award.

Smith was a great ball-carrier, a fine passer, a superb blocker and a very strong defensive player. And beyond that he was an outstanding

spiritual leader.

Smelling Roses

The 1960 season will always be remembered as the biggest turnaround in the history of Minnesota football. The Gophers finished the 1959 season 2-7 overall and 1-6 in the Big Ten to finish last. The 1960 season saw the Gophers finish 8-2 overall and 6-1 in the conference to earn the school's first trip to the Rose Bowl. The national champion Golden Gophers lost the Rose Bowl game to Washington, 17-7.

Rose Bowl Champions

On January 1, 1962, the Minnesota Gophers evened their record in the Rose Bowl with a 21-3 win against UCLA. Murray Warmath's Gophers simply outclassed and overpowered UCLA before nearly 100,000 fans in Pasadena.

The Little Brown Jug
Oscar Munson may not be known throughout college football, but the long-time equipment manager at the University of Minnesota started one of college football's most recognized traditions—the battle for the Little Brown Jug. In 1977, Michigan waltzed into Memorial

Stadium with the nation's No. 1 ranking, but left with a stunning 16-0 loss to the Golden Gophers. The game marked the first time Michigan had been shut out in nine years. The victory also returned the Little Brown Jug to Minnesota for the first time since 1967.

The Last Time

In 1985, assistant coach John Gutekunst took over for Lou Holtz in the final game of the season against Clemson in the Independence Bowl. The Golden Gophers' 20-13 victory gave John Gutekunst a victory in his first collegiate game as head coach and Minnesota's last victory

in a bowl game.

The 1986 season ended with an invitation to the Liberty Bowl for the Golden Gophers, which was the last bowl game Minnesota has played in. The Golden Gophers faced Tennessee on a chilly night in Memphis. The Volunteers started fast and scored last to beat Minnesota 21-14.

Back-to-Back against Bucky Badger The 1990s produced plenty of excitement for Golden Gopher fans, but the most exciting moments may have happened during consecutive wins against Wisconsin in 1993-94.

The Badgers rolled into Minneapolis in 1993 with a No. 15 national ranking and Rose Bowl hopes in mind. Although Wisconsin would eventually capture the Rose Bowl crown, Minnesota defeated Wisconsin 28-21 behind two Chris Darkins' touchdowns.

In 1994, Wisconsin had revenge on its mi only to have then-freshman Tutu Atwell catch 32-yard touchdown pass from Tim Schade with just over four minutes remaining to give the Golden Gophers a 17-14 win in Madison.

6 O L D E N G D P H E R F O O T B A L I

Individual Stats (Avg.)	(Top 10) Big Ten	NCAA
Passing, Sauter (133.8)	9th	
Receptions, Atwell (4.8)	5th	49th
Receiving Yards, Atwell (76.5	5) 4th	43rd
Total Offense, Sauter (137.1)	10th	
All Purpose, Atwell (175.0)	1st	6th
Field Goals, Bailey (1.36)	3rd	17th (t)
Field Goal Pct., Bailey (.789)	2nd	*
PAT Pct., Bailey (1.000)	1st (t)	*
Kick Scoring, Bailey (6.2)	7th	*
Punting, Rindels (40.9)	8th	
Kickoff Returns, Carter (26.8) 1st	11th
Kickoff Returns, Atwell (26.0)) 2nd	19th
Punt Returns, Atwell (12.0)	4th	21st
Tackles, Carter (120)	2nd	*
Tackles, P. Williams (108)	7th	*
Sacks, L. Williams (15.5)	1st	*
Tackles for Loss, L. Williams	(20) 2nd (t)	*
Pass Breakups!, Scruggs (13)	1st (t)	*
Pass Breakups!, Wyrick (12)	5th	*
Forced Fumbles, L. Williams	(5) 1st	*
Forced Fumbles, P. Williams	(3) ² nd (t)	*

* Not an official NCAA Stat

! Includes interceptions

Minnesota in the Big Ten/NCAA (Top 50) Stats:						
Team Stats (Avg.)	Big Ten	NCAA				
Rushing Offense (137.7)	8th					
Passing Offense (161.5)	9th					
Total Offense (299.3)	9th					
Scoring Offense (21.6)	8th					
Rushing Defense (132.5)	5th	39th				
Passing Defense (242.7)	11th					
Total Defense (375.3)	6th					
Scoring Defense (27.5)	9th					
Net Punting (36.5)	4th					
Punt Returns (12.0)	2nd	17th				
Kickoff Returns (25.7)	1st	5th				
First Downs Offense (14.4)	. 11th	*				
First Downs Defense (18.5)	6th	*				
3rd-Down Conv. Offense (.288)	11th	*				
3rd-Down Conv. Defense (.373)	7th	*				
4th-Down Conv. Offense (.474)	5th	*				
4th-Down Conv. Defense (.500)	7th	*				
Penalties (46.1)	5th	*				
Opp. Penalties (47.5)	5th	*				
Turnover Margin (+2)	6th					
Quarterback Sacks (36)	1st	*				
Quarterback Sacks Against (42)	11th	*				
Time of Possession (29:39)	7th	*				

Time of Possession (29:39) 7th * Minnesota Record in '97:

(28-0 at Michigan State)

Largest halftime deficit

2 0 | 10 | G THE RED ZONE

The Golden Gophers have scored points 21 out of the 27 times they've reached the "red zone" (the 20-yard line on in) this season, including 13 touchdowns.

son, including 13 touchdowns.								
Opp.	No.	TD	FG	Fgm#	TO	Dn*	Pnt	Score %
Hawaii	1	_	_	#1	_	_	-	.000
ISU	4	4	_	_	_	_	_	1.000
Memphis	2	1	1	_	_	_	_	1.000
Houston	3	3	_	-	_	_	_	1.000
MSU	1	_	1	_	_	_	_	1.000
Purdue	3	2	_	_	-	1	_	.667
PSU	4		3	#1			· _	.750
Wis.	4	2	1	-	1	_	_	.750
Mich.	1	_	1	_	_	_	_	1.000
OSU	1	_	_	_	_	1	_	.000
Ind.	3	1	1	1	_	_	_	.667
Iowa								
Totals	27	13	8	3	1	2	_	.778

Fgm: (field goals missed; #denotes blocked); TO: (turnovers); Dn: (lost ball on downs, *game ends); Pnt: (punted)

TUTU'S NUMBERS

Caree	r Re	ceivi	ng Sta	ts		
Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
1994	11	10	159	15.9	1	32 vs. Wis.
1995	11	41	735	17.9	5	58 vs. MSU
1996	11	62	822	13.3	6	58 vs. Pur.
1997	11	53	842	15.9	5	58 vs. Ind.
Total	44	166	2558	15.4	17	58 three times
Caree	r Rı	ıshin	g Stats	3		
Year	G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
1994						
1774	11	4	26	6.5	0	21 vs. Pur.
1995		4 10			-	
	11	10 4	59	5.9	1	
1995	11	10	59	5.9	1	18 vs. Pur. 11 vs. Syr.

GAME-BY-GAME IN '97

	Rush/Yds	Rec/Yds	KR/Yds	PR/Yds	TD
Hawaii	0/0	4/52	4/92	2/1	0
Iowa St.	2/21	5/44	4/225	3/59	3
Memphis	0/0	4/25	3/55	0/0	0
Houston	0/0	11/177	4/65	1/4	2
Mich. St.	1/2	5/39	2/50	1/2	0
Purdue	2/44	2/61	4/87	2/21	2*
Penn St.	0/0	6/81	1/17	1/-1	0
Wisconsin	1/17	4/126	1/23	2/38	0
Michigan	0/0	1/15	1/29	1/3	0
Ohio State	0/0	4/55	3/92	5/90	0
Indiana	1/-7	7/167	2/19	3/35	1
Iowa					
Total	7/77	53/842	29/754	21/252	8*
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Catches - 12 vs. Purdue (10-5-96) Long Reception - 58 (three times) last vs. Indiana (11/15/97)

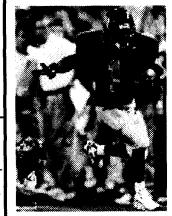
Yards - 177 vs. Houston (9-27-97)

Long Kickoff Return - 93 vs. Iowa State (TD, 9-13-97) Long Punt Return - 40 vs. Iowa State (9-13-97)

TDs - 3 vs. Iowa State (9-13-97)

Tutu Atwell Senior Wide Receiver 5-9, 168 Miami, Fla.

Sporting News preseason first-team All-Big Ten pick...candidate for the Biletnikoff Award, which honors the nation's most outstanding receiver...speedster who is also a candidate for All-America honors in '97...set new single-season school records with 754 kickoff return yards and 1,925 all-purpose yards...alltime school record holder with 166 career receptions, 2,558 receiving yards and 17 touchdown receptions...threw his first



career touchdown pass against Purdue...has at least one reception in 35 consecutive games...caught 11 passes for a career-high 177 yards and two touchdowns against Houston...received Big Ten Special Teams Player of the Week honors after returning four kicks for a Big Ten and school record 225 yards and two touchdowns against Iowa State...the two kickoffs returned for touchdowns also tied the all-time NCAA Division I-A record...the 284 total return yards (225 yards on kickoffs and 59 yards on punts) set new Big Ten and Division I-A single game records...also had a school record 349 all-purpose yards against the Cyclones...currently ranks first in the Big Ten and sixth nationally in all-purpose yards (175.0 ypg)...second in the Big Ten and 19th in the nation in kickoff return yardage (26.0 ypa)...fourth in the Big Ten and 21st in the nation in punt return yardage (12.0)...hon-orable mention All-Big Ten choice in '96 when he set a new single-season school record with 62 receptions... Bruce Smith Award winner (team offensive MVP) last season...serving as a team cap-

*Includes TD pass vs. Purdue

SINGLE-SEASON RECEPTS Tutu Atwell (1996) Omar Douglas (1992) 61 Omar Douglas (1993) 60 58 Ryan Thelwell (1995) Chester Cooper (1981) 58 54 **53** 52 Ryan Thelwell (1996) Tutu Atwell (1997) Chuck Rios (1994) Chuck Rios (1993) 48 Chris Gaiters (1988) Ron Kullas (1975)

CAREER RECEPTIONS

		Rec
1.	Tutu Atwell ('94-)	166
2.	Ryan Thelwell ('94-96)	136
3.	Chuck Rios ('90-94)	132
4.	Omar Douglas ('90-93)	130
5.	Aaron Osterman ('90-94)	111
6.	Dwayne McMullen ('82-84)	95
7.	Chris Gaiters ('87-89)	86
8.	Ken Last ('64-66)	82
9.	Elmer Bailey ('77-79)	79
10.	Ron Kullas ('74-76)	78

CAREER RECEIVING YARDS

		Y ds
1.	Tutu Atwell ('94-)	2,558
2.	Ryan Thelwell ('94-96)	2,232
3.	Omar Douglas ('90-93)	1,681
4.	Dwayne McMullen ('82-84)	1,627
5.	Aaron Osterman ('90-94)	1,598
6.	Chester Cooper ('78-81)	1,317
7.	Elmer Bailey ('77-79)	1,266
8.	Mel Anderson ('83-86)	1,265
9.	Chris Gaiters ('87-89)	1,161
10.	Chuck Rios ('90-94)	1,146

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U	MILLII MEGLIYIMG IB G	TD's
1.	Tutu Atwell ('94-)	17
2.	Dwayne McMullen ('82-84)	15
3.	Ryan Thelwell ('94-96)	14
	Omar Douglas ('90-93)	14
5.	Elmer Bailey ('77-79)	12
6.	Jay Carroll ('81-83)	10
7.	Chris Gaiters ('87-89)	9
8.	Ken Last ('64-66)	8
	Chester Cooper ('78-81)	8
10.	Greg Nelson (94-)	7
	Aaron Osterman ('90-94)	7
	Mel Anderson ('83-86)	7

TUTU'S CLIMB UP THE BIG TEN CAREER LADDER

ATWELL'S ATTACK ON THE U OF M RECORD BOOK

	CATCHES			RECEIVING YARDS			TO CATCHES	
		No		•	Yds			No
1.	David Williams, ILL '83-85	262	1.	David Williams, ILL '83-85	3,392	1.	A. Carter, MICH '79-82	37
2.	Rich Buchanan, NU '87-90	197	2.	Bobby Engram, PSU '91-95	3,139	2.	Bobby Engram, PSU '91-95	33
3.	Rodney Carter, PUR '82-85	181	3.	A. Carter, MICH '79-82	3,076	3.	D. Howard, MICH '89-91	32
4.	Dave Young, PUR '77-80	180	4.	Andre Rison, MSU '85-88	2,992	4.	Brian Alford, PUR '94-	30
5.	Bobby Engram, PSU '91-95	171	5.	Brian Alford, PUR '94-	2,853		Jade Butcher, IND '67-69	30
6.	Jason Dulick, ILL '93-96	169	6.	Gary Williams, OSU '79-82	2,792	6.	Dave Young, PUR '77-80	27
7.	Cris Carter, OSU '84-86	168	7.	Cris Carter, OSU '84-86	2,725		Cris Carter, OSU '84-86	27
8.	Tutu Atwell, MINN '94-	166	8.	A. Toomer, MICH '92-95	2,657	8.	Kirk Gibson, MSU '75-78	24
9.	A. Carter, MICH '79-82	161	9.	Tutu Atwell, MINN '94-	2,558		David Williams, ILL '83-85	24
10.	John Wright, ILL '65-67	159	10.	Rich Buchanan, NU '87-90	2,474	10.	Rich Buchanan, NU '87-90	22
			1			1	Tutu Atwell, MINN '94-	17

6 O L D E N G O P H E R F O O T B A L L

CORY'S NUMBERS

areei	r Pas	sing	Stats				
Year	G	Att	Com	Pct	Yds	TD	Int
1994	5	21	9	.429	80	0	1
1995	11	338	204	.604	2600	18	13
1996	11	352	200	.568	2578	14	11
1997	11	218	119	.546	1472	8	7
Total	38	929	532	.573	6730	40	32
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Career Rushing Stats
Year G Att Yds Avg TD Long

1994 5 7 (-25) (-3.6) 0 10 vs. Ind. 1995 11 54 (-108) (-2.0) 2 14 vs. Wis. 1996 11 71 (-113) (-1.6) 3 17 vs. Iowa 1997 11 123 36 0.3 3 19 vs. Pur.

Total 38 255 (-210) (-0.8) 8 19 vs. Pur.

GAME-BY-GAME IN '97

	Att.	Com.	Yds	Pct.	TD	Int.
Hawaii	27	13	121	.481	0	1
Iowa State	17	10	87	.588	1	0
Memphis	18	11	107	.611	0	1
Houston	35	23	368	.657	3	0
Mich. State	19	9	54	.473	0	2
Purdue	14	10	115	.714	1	0
Penn State	20	9	102	.450	0	1
Wisconsin	12	6	144	.500	1	0
Michigan	8	3	12	.375	0	0
Ohio State	23	9	95	.391	0	1
Indiana	25	16	267	.640	2	1
lowa						
Total	218	119	1472	.546	8	7

SINGLE-GAME CAREER HIGHS

Attempts - 50 vs. Northwestern (10-14-95)

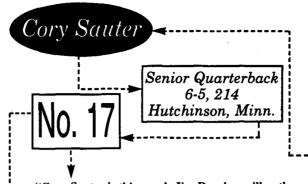
Completions - 29 vs. N'western (10-14-95)

Yards - 404 vs. Michigan State (10-21-95)

Passing TDs - 4 vs. Michigan St. (10-21-95)

Pct. - .765 (13-of-17) vs. Ark. St. (9-30-95)

(Min. 15 attempts)



"Cory Sauter is this year's Jim Druckenmiller, the best quarterback you've never heard of."

- 1997 Sports Illustrated College Football Preview



Sporting News and Lindy's preseason first-team All-Big Ten pick...Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award and Davey O'Brien Award candidate in '97...rated the fourth best quarterback in the nation by Sporting News and the sixth best by Lindy's...GTE Academic All-America District V selection in '96 and '97...completed 16 of 25 passes for 267 yards and two touchdowns against Indiana...also ran one in against the Hoosiers...all-time school career record holder with 40 touchdown passes, 532 completions and 6,730 passing yards...completed 23 of 35 passes for 368 yards and three touchdowns against Houston...the 368-yard effort ranks No. 7 on the school's all-time single game list...rushed for 57 yards and two touchdowns as well vs. the Cougars...has started 33 straight games the past three seasons...serving as a team captain for the second straight season in '97...honorable mention All-Big Ten choice in '96...Butch Nash Award winner in '96 for competitiveness on the field and in the classroom...ranked first in the Big Ten and 25th in the country in total offense (224.1) last season...has thrown for over 300 yards in seven games the past three seasons...completed 23 of 35 for 397 yards and two TDs vs. Ball State (9-14-96)...the 397-yard effort ranks No. 5 on the all-time school single-game list...threw for a career-high 404 yards and four TDs at Michigan State (10-21-95)...the 404-yard day is No. 3 on the all-time single-game chart...ranks second with 6,520 yards in total offense on the all-time school list...second in the Big Ten and 25th in the nation in total offense (226.6) in '95...also fourth in the Big Ten in passing efficiency (134.9) in '95 when he set single-season school records with 2,600 yards passing and a .604 completion percentage...two-time recipient of the Murray Warmath Endowed Scholarship...Academic All-Big Ten in '94, '95 and '96...honorable mention Playboy's Anson Mount Scholar/Athlete Award Winner in '97.

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CAREER COMPLETIONS

		Com
1.	Cory Sauter ('94-)	532
2.	Marquel Fleetwood ('89-92	2) 465
3.	Mike Hohensee ('81-82)	392
4.	Tim Schade ('93-94)	322
5.	Rickey Foggie ('84-87)	311
6.	Scott Schaffner ('87-91)	278
7.	Tony Dungy ('73-76)	274
8.	Mark Carlson ('76-79)	256
9.	Craig Curry ('69-71)	226
10.	Phil Hagen ('67-69)	211

CAREER PASSING YARDS

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	Yds
1. Cory Sauter ('94-)	6,730
2. Marquel Fleetwood ('89-92)	5,279
3. Rickey Foggie ('84-87)	5,162
4. Mike Hohensee ('81-82)	4,792
5. Tim Schade ('93-94)	3,986
6. Tony Dungy ('73-76)	3,515
7. Scott Schaffner ('87-91)	3,472
8. Mark Carlson ('76-79)	3,128
9. Craig Curry ('69-71)	3,060
10. John Hankinson ('62-65)	2,561

CAREER TOUCHDOWN PASSES

1.	Cory Sauter ('94-)
2.	Rickey Foggie ('84-87)
3.	Mike Hohensee ('81-82)
	Tony Dungy ('73-76)
5.	Scott Schaffner ('87-91)
	Tim Schade ('93-94)
7.	Marquel Fleetwood ('89-92)
8.	Mark Carlson ('76-79)
9.	Craig Curry ('69-71)
	John Hankinson ('62-65)

TOTAL OFFENSE

101111 OLLEHOE	
	Yds
1. Rickey Foggie ('84-87)	7,312
2. Cory Sauter (*94-)	6,520
3. Marquel Fleetwood ('89-92)	6,154
4. Mike Hohensee ('81-82)	4,855
5. Tony Dungy ('73-76)	4,680
6. Darrell Thompson ('86-89)	4,676
7. Paul Giel ('51-53)	4,110
8. Tim Schade ('93-94)	4,017
9. Craig Curry ('69-71)	3,794
10.Scott Schaffner ('87-91)	3,646

CORY'S CLIMB UP THE BIG TEN CAREER LADDER

PASS ATTEMPTS

		Att
1.	Mark Hermann, PUR '77-80	1,30
2.	Jack Trudeau, ILL '81-85	1,24
3.	Chuck Long, IOWA '81-85	1,20
4,	Jason Verdusco, ILL '89-92	1,08
5.	Len Williams, NU '90-93	1.07
6.	Scott Campbell, PUR '80-83	1,06
ל.	Darrell Bevell, WIS '92-95	1,05
8.	Scott Bradley, IND '83-85	1,02
9.	Sandy Schwab, NU '82-85	975
10.	Jim Everett, PUR '81-85	965
	Cory Sauter, MINN '94-	929

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		Cor
1.	Jack Trudeau, ILL '81-85	797
2.	Chuck Long, IOWA '81-85	782
3.	Mark Hermann, PUR '77-80	772
4.	Jason Verdusco, ILL '89-92	678
5.	Darrell Bevell, WIS '92-95	646
6.	Len Williams, NU '90-93	644
7.	Scott Campbell, PUR '80-83	609
8.	Jim Everett, PUR'81-85	572
9.	Tony Eason, ILL '81-82	561
10.	Matt Rodgers, IOWA '88-91	550

Cory Sauter, MINN '94-

PASSING YARDS

		Yds
1.	Chuck Long, IOWA '81-85	10,46
2.	Mark Hermann, PUR '77-80	9,946
3.	Jack Trudeau, ILL '81-85	8,723
4.	Darrell Bevell, WIS '92-95	7,686
5.	Scott Campbell, PUR '80-83	7,63
6.	Art Schlichter, OSU '78-81	7,54
7.	Len Williams, NU '90-93	7,48
8.	Jim Everett, PUR'81-85	7,41
9.	Bobby Hoying, OSU '92-95	7,23
10.	Tony Eason, ILL '81-82	7,03
	Cory Souter, MINN '94.	6.73

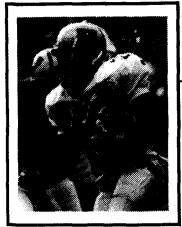
TOUCHDOWN PASSES

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-		No
1.	Chuck Long, IOWA '81-85	74
2.	Mark Hermann, PUR '77-80	71
	Elvis Grbac, MICH '89-92	71
4.	Darrell Bevell, WIS '92-95	59
5.	Bobby Hoying, OSU '92-95	57
6.	Jack Trudeau, ILL'81-85	55
7.	Art Schlichter, OSU '78-81	50
8.	Rick Leach, MICH'75-78	48
9.	Scott Campbell, PUR '80-83	45
10.	Len Williams, NU '90-93	44
	Cory Sauter, MINN '94-	40

TOTAL OFFENSE

TOUTHU JAIUI	
	Yds
Chuck Long, IOWA '81-85	10,254
Mark Hermann, PUR '77-80	9,134
Art Schlichter, OSU '78-81	8,850
Jack Trudeau, ILL'81-85	8,650
Len Williams, NU '90-93	8,029
Darrell Bevell, WIS '92-95	7,686
Scott Campbell, PUR '80-83	7,526
Rickey Foggie, MINN '84-87	7,312
Jim Everett, PUR '81-85	7,284
Jason Verdusco, ILL '89-92	7,256
Cory Sauter, MINN '94-	6,520

6 O L D E N G O P H E R F O O T B A L L



Tyrone Carter

No. 22

Sophomore Safety 5-9, 178 Pompano Beach, Fla.

Hard-hitting sophomore with a nose for the ball...leads the team with 120 tackles, good for second in the Big Ten...earned Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week honors after making a career-high 17 tackles against Indiana, includ-

ing 14 solos...registered 14 tackles against Michigan...collected 11 tackles and an interception against Penn State...had 15 tackles against Houston...double threat as a kick returner...ranks first in the Big Ten and 11th nationally in kickoff returns (26.8 ypa)... ranked second on the team with 83 tackles, including 55 solos last season...made his first collegiate start a memorable one when he returned two fumbles for TDs vs. Syracuse (9-21-96), a new NCAA and Big Ten single-game record...recovered a fumble to set up a field goal in the win over Illinois (11-16-96).

TYRONE'S NUMBERS

Career Defensive Stats

 Year
 G
 Solo Ass't
 Tot.
 T/L
 Int.
 PBU
 FR
 Sack

 1996
 11
 55
 28
 83
 0/0
 1
 1
 3
 0/0

 1997
 11
 97
 23
 120
 0/0
 1
 6
 0
 0/0

 Total
 22
 152
 51
 203
 0/0
 2
 7
 3
 0/0

GAME-BY-GAME IN '97

Opp.	Solo	Ass't	Tot.	T/L	Int.	PBU	FR	Sack
Hawaii	7	3	10	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
ISU	5	2	7	0/0	0	1	0	0/0
Memp.	6	2	8	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
Hous.	12	3	15	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
MSU	11	3	14	0/0	0	1	0	0/0
Purdue	5	0	5	0/0	0	1	0	0/0
Penn St	. 11	0	11	0/0	1	0	0	0/0
Wis.	7	3	10	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
Mich.	11	3	14	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
Ohio St	. 8	1	9	0/0	0	2	0	0/0
Indiana	14	3	17	0/0	0	1	0	0/0
Iowa								
Total	97	23	120	0/0	1	6	0	0/0

ADAM'S NUMBERS

Career Kicking Stats

 Year
 10-29
 30-39
 40-49
 50+
 PAT
 Long

 1995
 DNP

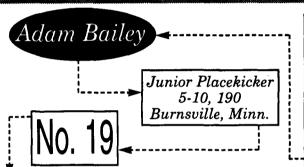
 1996
 7/7
 4/5
 3/6
 0/2
 16/20
 49 vs. Mich.

 1997
 3/5
 6/6
 3/4
 3/4
 23/23
 52 twice

 Total
 10/12
 10/11
 6/10
 3/6
 39/43
 52 twice

GAME-BY-GAME IN '97

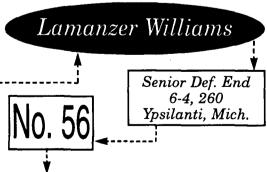
Opp.	FG/Att	Long	PAT/Att	Pts
Hawaii	1/2	44	0/0	3
Iowa St.	1/1	52	6/6	9
Memphis	2/2	39	2/2	8
Houston	0/1		5/5	5
MSU	1/1	30	1/1	4
Purdue	0/0		5/5	5
Penn St.	5/6	52	0/0	15
Wis.	2/2	42	1/1	. 7
Mich.	1/1	27	0/0	3
OSU	1/1	47	0/0	3
Indiana	1/2	37	3/3	6
Iowa				
Total	15/19	52	23/23	68



Postseason awards candidate in '97...Lou Groza Award semifinalist...also a Lou Groza Award semifinalist and an honorable mention All-Big Ten selection in '96...set a single-game school record and tied the modern-day all-time Big Ten record with five field goals against Penn State en route to earning Co-Big Ten Special Teams Player of the Week...

tied a career-high with his 52-yard field goal against the Nittany Lions...also connected from 50 yards out...drilled a 52-yarder against Houston...ranks fourth in the Big Ten and 17th in the nation with 1.36 field goals per game ...earned a scholarship after coming to the U of M as a walk-on...paced the team with 58 points in '96...drilled the game-winner from 26 yards out with 42 seconds left vs. Syracuse (9-21-96)...hit four field goals against Ball State (9-14-96).





Impact type of player who is a candidate for postseason honors...tallied nine tackles and two sacks against Michigan...collected a career-high 10 tackles along with two sacks and three tackles for loss against Wisconsin...registered nine tackles, including eight solos and four tackles for loss, against Penn State...tied the single-game school record with three sacks against the top-ranked Nittany Lions...all-time school record holder with 20.5 career sacks...has already set the school's single season record for sacks with a Big Ten leading total of 15.5...has at least one sack in all but two games...leads the Big Ten with five forced fumbles and is the team leader with a single-season school record 20 tackles for loss, good for second in the conference...brother, Dan, was a first round draft pick of the Denver Broncos in 1992 and currently plays for the Kansas City Chiefs.

LAMANZER'S NUMBERS

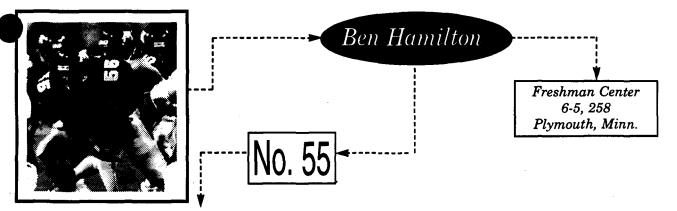
Career Defensive Stats

Year G Solo Ass't Tot. T/L Int. PBUFR Sack 199411 6 10 2/18 0 0 2/18 1995 11 9 14 4/20 0 3/19 0 199610 9 14 1/6 0 0/0 199711 42 62 20/89 0 0 15.5/76 Total 43 66 34 100 27/133 0 1 20.5/113

GAME-BY-GAME IN '97

Opp.	Solo	Ass't	Tot.	T/L	Int.	PBU	FR	Sack	
Hawaii	2	1	3	1/6	0	1	0	1/6	
ISU	2	4	6	1/11	0	0	0	1/11	
Memp.	2	1	3	3/17	0	0	0	2.5/12	
Hous.	2	2	4	0/0	0	0	0	0/0	
MSU	2	3	5	1/1	0	1	0	1/1	
Purdue	4	1	5	0/0	0	1	0	0/0	
PSU	8	1	9	4/17	0	0	0	3/16	1
Wis.	8	2	10	3/11	0	0	0	2/9	1
Mich.	5	4	9	2/6	0	2	0	2/6	
OSU	3	0	3	2/7	0	0	0	1/3	
Indiana	١ 4	1	5	3/13	0	0	0	2/12	
Iowa									
Total	42	20	62	20/89	0	5	0	15.5/76	,

GOLDENGOPHERFOOTBALL



Redshirt freshman who has started every game this season...candidate for postseason honors in '97...has become the anchor of the offensive line...talented performer who has a strong work ethic...played key role in Minnesota's 313 rushing yards against Purdue...that total was the most for the Gophers since they rushed for 322 yards against the Boilermakers back on Oct. 7, 1995...son of former Minnesota Viking lineman Wes Hamilton.

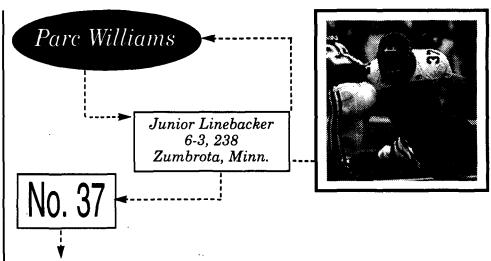
PARC'S NUMBERS

Career Defensive Stats

Year	G	Solo	Ass't	Tot.	T/L	Int.	PBU	FR	Sack
995	11	36	20	56	4/21	0	0	0	1.5/13
1996	11	61	37	98	4/7	1	2	0	0.5/4
1997	11	78	30	108	4/15	0	2	1	3/11
Total	33	175	87	262	12/43	. 1	4	1	5/28

GAME-BY-GAME IN '97

Opp.	Solo	Ass't	Tot.	T/L	Int.	PBU	FR	Sack
Hawaii	9	2	11	1/4	0	0	0	0/0
ISU	9	. 3	12	0/0	0	1	0	0/0
Memp.	2	2	4	1/3	0	0	0	1/3
Hous.	5	6	11	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
MSU	8	4	12	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
Purdue	5	t	6	0/0	0	1	0	0/0
PSU	7	4	11	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
Wis.	7	1	8	1/3	0	0	0	1/3
Mich.	7	2	9	0/0	0	0	0	0/0
osu	7	5	12	1/5	0	0	0	1/5
Indiana	12	0	12	0/0	0	0	1	0/0
Iowa								
Total	78	30	108	4/15	0	2	1	3/11



Multi-talented player who is a candidate for postseason honors in '97...GTE Academic All-America District V selection in '96 and '97...tallied 12 tackles, all solos, against Indiana marking the seventh time this season and 13th time in his career he has reached double digits in tackles...currently second on the team and seventh in the Big Ten with 108 tackles...tied for second in the Big Ten with three forced fumbles...serving as a team captain this season...Carl Eller Award (team defensive MVP) in '96 when he registered a team-leading 98 tackles...tied for second on the team with four tackles for loss last season...had a career-high 15 tackles, including a tackle for a loss at Wisconsin (11-9-96)...great success story...suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament (left knee) as a true freshman in the '94 season opener vs. Penn State on his very first collegiate play...received a medical redshirt season and came back to finish fourth on the team in '95 with 56 tackles...'95 and '96 Academic All-Big Ten selection.

Aug. 30, 1997 • Aloha Stadium (31,510) Game #1 • Minnesota at Hawaii

Game #2 • Iowa State at Minnesota

Sept. 13, 1997 • Metrodome (55,943)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	Final
MINNESOTA	3	0	0	0	3
Hawaii	0	7	0	10	17

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: UM-8:49-Bailey 44 FG

2nd Qtr.: UH-12:17-Carey 1 run (Hannum kick)

3rd Qtr.: No Scoring

4th Qtr.: UH-14:52-Shinnick 2 fumble returned

(Hannum kick)

UH-5:57-Hannum 31 FG

	MINNESOTA	Hawaii
First Downs	13	11
Rushing Yards	100	72
Passing Yards	121	102
Net Yards	221	174
Att/Comp/Int	27/13/1	29/11/1
Punts/Avg	9/43.3	10/44.5
Fumbles/Lost	4/2	0/0
Penalties/Yds	8/69	8/73

RUSHING

UM: Thomas Hamner - 22/104 UH: Charles Tharp - 8/54

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 27/13/1, 121 yards

UH: Tim Carey - 24/9/1, 72 yards; Dan Robinson - 4/2/0, 30 yards

RECEIVING

UM: Luke Leverson - 5/51; Tutu Atwell - 4/52

UH: Lonn Kalama - 4/16

HIGHLIGHTS

Despite a strong effort from the Golden Gopher defensive unit which included an interception by freshman linebacker Sean Hoffman, Minnesota fell 17-3 at Hawaii in the season opener. Hoffman picked off Hawaii's Tim Carey in the first quarter to set up Adam Bailey's 44yard field goal. Quarterback Cory Sauter completed 13of-27 passing attempts for 121 yards in the game and in the process became Minnesota's all-time leading passer with 5,379 career yards. Sophomore Thomas Hamner returned to his team-leading rushing form of last season with 104 rushing yards on 22 carries. On the opposite side of the ball, junior outside linebacker Rufus Smith steadied the defensive attack with two sacks for a loss of 14 yards. He had a total of four tackles for a loss in the game. Fellow outside linebacker Parc Williams, also a junior paced the defense in total tackles with 11, including nine solos. Hawaii's outstanding defensive back Eddie Klaneski had a big interception in the end zone, returned a blocked field goal 78 yards, recovered a fumble and had three punt returns for 29 yards to pace the Rainbows to the win.

SCOREBOARD 2 3 4 Final 3 10 16 0 29 Iowa State **MINNESOTA** 14 7 25 53

SCORING SUMMARY

UM-8:25-Hamner 9 run (Bailey kick) ISU-2:35-Kohl 31 FG ISU-11:34-Kohl 48 FG 1st Qtr.:

2nd Qtr.:

UM-11:18-Atwell 89 kickoff return

(Bailey kick)

UM-6:34-Evans 1 run (Bailey kick) ISU-1:09-Williams 15 pass from Bandhauer

(Kohl kick)

3rd Qtr.: ISU-10:02-Kohl 19 FG ISU-3:44-Watley 81 pass from Bandhauer

(Bandhauer run failed) ÙM-3:29-Atwell 93 kickoff return

(Bailey kick)
ISU-:56-Williams 45 pass from Bandhauer
(Kohl kick)

UM-12:48-Hamner 34 run (Hamner run) UM-10:41-Bailey 52 FG 4th Qtr.:

UM-5:02-Hall 1 pass from Sauter

(Bailey kick) UM-2:13-Atwell 8 pass from Cockerham

(Bailey kick)

	MINNESOTA	Iowa State
First Downs	11	21
Rushing Yards	195	52
Passing Yards	95	295
Net Yards	290	347
Att/Comp/Int	18/11/0	35/21/1
Punts/Avg	5/46.2	5/44.8
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	3/2
Penalties/Yds	8/82	1/5

RUSHING

UM: Thomas Hamner-14/89, 2 TDs; Byron Evans - 4/55, 1 TD ISU: James O'Neal - 21/88

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 17/10/0, 87 yards, 1 TD ISU: Todd Bandhauer - 35/21/1, 295 yards, 3 TDs

RECEIVING

UM: Tutu Atwell - 5/44, 1 TD ISU: Tyrone Watley-9/149, 1 TD; Ed Williams-4/82, 2 TD

HIGHLIGHTS

Trailing 29-28 after three quarters, the Golden Gophers defeated the Iowa State Cyclones 53-29 in front of 55,943 at the Metrodome in Head Coach Glen Mason's home debut. Senior Tutu Atwell set a new Big Ten record and tied the all-time NCAA mark when he returned two kickoffs for touchdowns. He also set a new Big Ten record with 225 yards on kickoff returns. On top of that, he also scored on an eight-yard pass from Billy Cockerham in the fourth quarter. Sophomore Thomas Hamner crossed the goal line twice, finishing with 89 rushing yards on 14 carries. Adam Bailey booted a career-long 52 yard field goal in the fourth quarter, which tied him for the seventh longest field goal in school history. The Golden Gopher defense had seven sacks, led by sophomore Jon Michals who tied the school single-game record with three. Iowa State quarterback Todd Bandhauer paced the Cyclones by completing 21-of-35 passing attempts for 295 yards and three touchdowns.

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	Final
MINNESOTA	7	10	3	0	20
Memphis	0	7	0	10	17

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: UM-1:52-Hamner 1 run (Bailey kick) 2nd Qtr.: UM-12:05-Hamner 26 run (Bailey kick)

UM-2:27-Bailey 27 FG

Mem.-:28-Oden 1 run (Cande kick)

3rd Qtr.: UM-Bailey 39 FG

4th Qtr.: Mem.-13:04-Oden 31 run (Cande kick)

Mem.-11:26-Cande 27 FG

	MINNESOTA	Memphis
First Downs	15	20
Rushing Yards	153	49
Passing Yards	107	300
Net Yards	260	349
Att/Comp/Int	18/11/1	44/25/0
Punts/Avg	8/43.5	8/44.1
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	4/2
Penalties/Yds	7/68	8/70

RUSHING

UM: Thomas Hamner - 23/102, 2 TDs Mem.: Bernard Oden - 16/39, 2 TDs

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 18/11/1, 107 yards Mem.: Bernard Oden - 44/25/0, 300 yards

RECEIVING

UM: Luke Leverson - 4/66 Tutu Atwell - 4/25 Mem.: Damien Dodson - 9/127

Chancey Carr - 4/57 Chris Powers - 4/50 Richie Floyd - 4/42

HIGHLIGHTS

Two long Hail Mary passes by Memphis quarterback Bernard Oden nearly won the game for the Tigers, but the Golden Gophers escaped with a 20-17 win at Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium. Minnesota struck first on a one-yard run from sophomore Thomas Hamner. Hamner scored again on a 26-yard run in the second quarter to give the Golden Gophers an early 14-point lead. He finished the game with 102 yards on 23 carries. Junior Adam Bailey continued to split the uprights with two field goals of 39 and 27 yards, respectively. Minnesota's defense had another successful outing. Freshman Ben Mezera recovered two fumbles that set up both Golden Gopher touchdowns, while senior Lamanzer Williams registered two and a half sacks in the win. Oden scored both touchdowns for Memphis and finished with 300 yards on 25-for-44 passing to lead a furious comeback that fell just short.

SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4 Final Houston 22 14 3 45 6 **MINNESOTA** 14 15 43

SCORING SUMMARY

UH-9:31-Villarreal 26 FG UH-5:47-Villarreal 43 FG

2nd Qtr.: UH-14:09-Malone 55 fumble recovery

(Iglesias 2 pass from McKinley) UM-11:56-Nelson 38 pass from Sauter (Bailey kick)

UH-10:08-Burton 59 pass from McKinley (Villarreal kick)

UH-1:58-McGuire 2 run (Villarreal kick) UM-1:01-Atwell 28 pass from Sauter

(Bailey kick)

3rd Qtr.: UM-14:24-Sauter 13 run (Bailey kick)
UH-7:55-Burton 8 pass from McKinley

(Villarreal kick)

ÙH-4:31-McGúire 1 run (Villarreal kick) UM-2:01-Henderson 31 run (Bailey kick)

UM-10:32-Sauter 6 run (Bailey kick) UH-2:48-Villarreal 27 FG 4th Qtr.:

UM-:03-Atwell 9 pass from Sauter

(Henderson run)

	MINNESOTA	Houston
First Downs	23	17
Rushing Yards	163	176
Passing Yards	368	310
Net Yards	531	486
Att/Comp/Int	35/23/0	26/17/0
Punts/Avg	3/46.3	4/42.8
Fumbles/Lost	4/3	1/0
Penalties/Yds	3/11	6/56

RUSHING

UM: Antoine Henderson - 16/88, 1 TD; Cory Sauter - 19/57, 2 TDs

UH: Vaughn Inniss - 29/129

UM: Cory Sauter - 35/23/0, 368 yards, 3 TDs *UH*: Jason McKinley - 26/17/0, 310 yards, 2 TDs

RECEIVING

UM: Tutu Atwell - 11/177, 2 TDs; Luke Leverson - 5/81 UH: Orlando Iglesias - 8/171; Ryan Burton - 2/67, 2 TDs

HIGHLIGHTS

Trailing 42-35 to Houston with just over five minutes left in the fourth quarter, the Golden Gophers failed to convert on a fourth-and-one at their own 32. Houston then put the game out of reach with a 27-yard field goal by Sebastian Villarreal. Minnesota did score a last second touchdown and two-point conversion to make the final score 45-43. Senior Cory Sauter completed 23-of-35 passing attempts for a total of 368 passing yards and three touchdowns. Sauter's three touchdown passes gave him 36 for his career and allowed him to surpass Ricky Foggie's old school record of 34. Sauter also carried the ball 19 times for 57 yards and two touchdowns. Sauter's favorite target was senior Tutu Atwell who caught 11 passes for 177 yards and two touchdowns. Atwell's 11 receptions brought his career total to 137 which broke Ryan Thelwell's old school record of 136. Freshman Antoine Henderson rushed for 88 yards on 16 carries and scored the first touchdown of his career on a 31-yard run. Houston quarterback Jason McKinley led the Cougar attack by completing 17-of-26 passing attempts for 310 yards and two touchdowns.

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Game #5 • Minnesota at Michigan State Oct. 4, 1997 • Spartan Stadium (75,263)

SCOREBOARD 2 3 4 Final 1 7 **MINNESOTA** 0 0 3 10 0 Michigan State 14 14 3 31

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: MSU-6:59-Long 5 pass from Schultz

(Gardner kick)

MSU-2:45-Renaud 5 run (Gardner kick) 2nd Qtr.: MSU-8:47-Irvin 34 pass from Schultz

(Gardner kick)

MSU-1:47-Rainko 2 pass from Schultz

(Gardner kick)

3rd Qtr.: MSU-11:40-Gardner 34 FG

UM-3:03-Bailey 30 FG

4th Qtr.: UM-7:29-Leverson 75 pass from Cockerham

(Bailey kick)

MINNESOTA	Michigan State
14	24
96	141
150	304
246	445
22/12/2	31/19/1
5/40.4	2/34.5
0/0	2/1
4/32	5/51
	14 96 150 246 22/12/2 5/40.4 0/0

RUSHING

SCOREBOARD

Penalties/Yds

UM: Antoine Henderson 10/29 Cory Sauter 10/23 MSU: Sedrick Irvin 21/72

1

2

3

Final

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 19/9/2, 54 yards

Billy Cockerham - 3/3/0, 96 yards, 1 TD MSU: Todd Schultz - 31/19/1, 304 yards, 3 TDs

UM: Luke Leverson - 3/96, 1 TD; Tutu Atwell - 5/39 MSU: Gari Scott - 5/117; Sedrick Irvin - 5/79, 1TD

HIGHLIGHTS

Michigan State scored on five of its first seven possessions and dug Minnesota a hole that they could not get out of, as the Golden Gophers to lost their 1997 Big Ten opener. The Michigan State defense held the Golden Gopher offense to 246 total yards, while the Spartan offense rolled up 445 total yards. But the Golden Gophers did not quit after being down 31-0. On their first drive of the second half, the Golden Gophers put together a 17-play drive which ended with an Adam Bailey 30yard field goal. Two possessions later, with Billy Cockerham replacing starting quaterback Cory Sauter for the Golden Gophers, Cockerham tossed a pass to sophomore wide receiver Luke Leverson in which Leverson went between three defenders to catch the ball. From there it was a footrace as Leverson blazed into the end zone for the Golden Gophers' only TD of the day. The play covered 75 yards. It was Leverson's first career TD and the longest reception of his career.

Game #6 • Purdue at Minnesota Oct. 11, 1997 • Metrodome (37, 821)

Purdue MINNESC)TA	17 14	21 7	14 7	7 15	59 43
]	UM-10:3 (Bailey k PUR-10: (Ryan kid PUR-6:3	11-Nels iick) 03-War ck) 0-Ryar	tson 65 p	ass fron	n Dicken	
2nd Qtr.:	(Ryan kid UM-5:07 (Bailey k PUR-4-4	GCK) 5-Wats ck) -Wyrid cick) 5-93 ps	son 21 pa ck 42 pas	ss from F	Dicken Rindels	ck)
PUR-4:45-93 pass from Dicken (Ryan kick) PUR-1:36-Watson 1 run (Ryan kick) 3rd Qtr.: UM-13:53-Evans 45 run (Bailey kick) PUR-10:11-Dicken 11 run (Ryan kick) PUR-1:33-Alford 89 pass from Dicken (Ryan kick)						
4th Qtr.: PUR-9:40-Jones 4 pass from Dicken (Ryan kick) UM-7:21-Atwell 46 pass from Cockerham (Bailey kick) UM-:38-Bean 1 run (Bean run)						
First Down	nc	MIN	NESOT	A	Purdu 15	e
Rushing Yo	ards		313		158	
Passing Yards 266 334 Net Yards 579 492						
Att/Comp/I	Int	2	4/17/1	٠	24/11/	1
Punts/Avg			1/32.5		3/49.3	
Fumbles/L			1/1 8/80		1/0	

8/80

RUSHING

UM: Byron Evans - 7/83, 1 TD PUR: Kendall Matthews - 7/55, 1 TD

UM: Cory Sauter - 10/14, 115 yards, 1 TD Billy Cockerham - 4/7/1, 78 yards, 1 TD PUR: Billy Dicken - 10/22/1, 333 yards, 5 TDs

RECEIVING
UM: Greg Nelson - 3/58, 1 TD; Tutu Atwell - 2/61, 1 TD
PUR: Brian Alford - 4/215, 2 TDs; Edwin Watson 4/115, 2 TDs

HIGHLIGHTS

The Golden Gophers' Big Ten home opener against the Boilermakers turned out to be an offensive showcase which resulted in a 59-43 Purdue win. Minnesota scored first on a pitch from quarterback Cory Sauter to senior wideout Tutu Atwell who then threw a 31-yard pass to senior Greg Nelson for the touchdown. The Golden Gophers pulled within 24-21 in the second quarter after a fake punt by sophomore Ryan Rindels, who threw a 42-yard pass to sophomore corporaback Limpuy Wurick 42-yard pass to sophomore cornerback Jimmy Wyrick. Minnesota trailed 59-28 midway in the fourth quarter when sophomore quarterback Billy Cockerham connected with Atwell on a 46-yard touchdown pass. The Golden Gophers struck once more on a one-yard run by junior Jim Bean who would also run it in for the twopoint conversion to close out the scoring. Purdue was led by senior quarterback Billy Dicken who completed 10-of-22 passing attempts for 333 yards and five touchdowns. His favorite target, wide receiver Brian Alford, caught four passes for 215 yards and two touchdowns.

Oct. 18, 1997 • Beaver Stadium (96,953) Game #7 • Minnesota at Penn State

Game #8 • Wisconsin at Minnesota

Oct. 25, 1997 • Metrodome (57,563)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	Final
MINNESOTA	3	6	3	3	15
Penn State	0	3	0	13	16

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: UM-2:31-Bailey 52 FG 2nd Qtr.: UM-10:20-Bailey 23 FG PS-5:25-Forney 34 FG UM-:16-Bailey 32 FG

UM-3:09-Bailey 50 FG 3rd Qtr.: 4th Qtr.: UM-14:14-Bailey 33 FG

PS-9:02-Enis 6 run (Forney kick)

PS-3:59-Enis 10 run (McQueary pass failed)

	MINNESOTA	Penn State
First Downs	14	17
Rushing Yards	158	188
Passing Yards	116	86
Net Yards	274	274
Att/Comp/Int	23/11/1	18/7/2
Punts/Avg	5/38.8	4/42.3
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	3/2
Penalties/Yds	5/55	4/35

RUSHING

UM: Thomas Hamner - 32/154 PS: Curtis Enis - 26/112, 2 TDs

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 20/9/1, 102 yards PS: Mike McQueary - 16/6/2, 85 yards

RECEIVING

UM: Tutu Atwell - 6/81

PS: Curtis Enis - 3/22; Joe Jurevicius - 1/28

HIGHLIGHTS

Trailing 15-3 in the fourth quarter, the No. 1 Penn State Nittany Lions rallied to score two touchdowns to pull out a 16-15 come-from-behind victory over the Golden Gophers in front of a homecoming crowd of 96,953 fans at Beaver Stadium. On a key third down at the Minnesota 21-yard line, Penn State quarterback Mike McQueary's pass sailed out-of-bounds and a late flag was thrown on the Golden Gophers for pass interference. The call set up a six-yard touchdown run for junior Heisman Trophy candidate Curtis Enis to bring the score to 15-10. Two possessions later, Minnesota fumbled a pitch on a thirdand-two which was recovered by Penn State. That set up another touchdown run for Enis which secured the victory for Penn State. Although the Golden Gophers did not score any touchdowns on the day, it was a record-setting day for placekicker Adam Bailey. Bailey set a singlegame school record and tied the modern day Big Ten sin-gle-game record by splitting the uprights five times, including a 52-yard boot in the first quarter to tie his career long. Senior Lamanzer Williams paced the Golden Gopher defense, which held the Nittany Lions without a touchdown for three quarters, with three quarterback cacks to the the single same school record. In the process sacks to tie the single-game school record. In the process he set a single-season school record with 8.5 sacks and became the all-time school leader with 13.5 career sacks. Sophomore running back Thomas Hamner carried the ball 32 times for 154 yards to lead Minnesota's offensive

SCOREBOARD Final Wisconsin 7 6 0 22 **MINNESOTA** 21 13

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: UW-12:00-Simmons 53 pass from Samuel

(Davenport kick)

UM-3:50-Bailey 30 FG UM-1:55-Safety, ball snapped out of end zone UM-:10-Bailey 42 FG

2nd Qtr.: UW-12:52-Hayes 53 pass from Samuel

(Dayne run failed)

3rd Qtr.: UM-7:57-Nelson 11 pass from Sauter

(Bean run failed)

UM-3:50-Evans 4 run (Bailey kick)

4th Qtr.: UW-13:18-Davenport 38 FG

UW-7:40-Dayne 1 run (Samuel pass failed)

	MINNESOTA	Wisconsin
First Downs	12	20
Rushing Yards	98	163
Passing Yards	169	202
Net Yards	267	365
Att/Comp/Int	14/7/0	14/11/0
Punts/Avg	5/36.4	2/53.0
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	3/2
Penalties/Yds	3/15	3/31

RUSHING

UM: Byron Evans - 12/38, 1 TD UW: Ron Dayne - 40/183, 1 TD

UM: Cory Sauter - 12/6/0, 144 yards, 1 TD

UW: Mike Samuel - 14/11/0, 202 yards, 2 TDs

RECEIVING

UM: Tutu Atwell - 4/126

UW: Donald Hayes - 6/113, 1 TD;

Tony Simmons 3/76, 1 TD

HIGHLIGHTS

The Golden Gophers had a 21-13 lead heading into the Ine Golden Gopners had a 21-13 lead heading into the fourth quarter of the annual border battle with the Badgers. But Heisman Trophy candidate Ron Dayne's one-yard run with 7:40 remaining capped a Wisconsin rally that gave the Badgers a 22-21 victory. The Badgers jumped out early with a 53-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Mike Samuel to senior wideout Tony Simmons. Minnesota would fight back with a pair of field goals and a safety after a botched punt span from field goals and a safety after a botched punt snap from the Badgers sailed through the end zone. In the second quarter Samuel again connected on a 53-yard touchdown pass, this time to Donald Hayes. Minnesota came back to take a 14-13 when quarterback Cory Sauter found senior Greg Nelson on an 11-yard touchdown reception. The Golden Gophers would score again on a four-yard run from sophomore Byron Evans to increase the lead to run from sophomore Byron Evans to increase the lead to 21-13, but a Wisconsin field goal and Dayne's touchdown run put the Badgers up for good. Senior wideout Tutu Atwell led Minnesota with four receptions for 126 yards, while placekicker Adam Bailey hit 30 and 42-yard field goals. Leading the way for Wisconsin was Samuel who completed 11-of-14 pass attempts for 202 yards and two touchdowns. Hayes caught six passes for 113 yards and one touchdown, while Dayne finished the game with 40 carries for 183 yards and one touchdown 40 carries for 183 yards and one touchdown.

Nov. 1, 1997 • Michigan Stadium (106,577) Game #9 • Minnesota at Michigan

SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4 Final **MINNESOTA** 3 0 0 0 3 0 14 7 3 24 Michigan

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: UM-10:49-Bailey 27 FG

2nd Otr.: Mich.-14:51-Woodson 33 run (Baker kick)

Mich.-7:58-Campbell 12 pass from Griese

(Baker kick)

3rd Qtr.: Mich.-7:49-Thomas 29 run (Baker kick)

4th Qtr.: Mich.-4:25-Baker 31 FG

	MINNESOTA	Michigan
First Downs	6	22
Rushing Yards	90	204
Passing Yards	12.	190
Net Yards	102	394
Att/Comp/Int	11/3/0	30/15/1
Punts/Avg	9/34.2	4/38.3
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	2/1
Penalties/Yds	5/35	11/87

RUSHING

UM: Byron Evans - 17/82 Mich.: Chris Howard - 20/98

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 8/3/0, 12 yards

Mich.: Brian Griese, 27/14/1, 171 yards, 1 TD

RECEIVING

UM: Tutu Atwell - 1/15 Mich.: Chris Howard - 4/40;

Mark Campbell - 3/44, 1 TD

HIGHLIGHTS

After the Golden Gophers drove the ball 71 yards on their first possession to set up Adam Bailey's 27-yard field goal, they were held scoreless the remainder of the game by the relentless defense of No. 4-ranked and undefeated Michigan. The Wolverines got on the board early in the second quarter on a 33-yard run by junior Charles Woodson and then cruised to a 24-3 win. Two possessions later Michigan scored on a 12-yard pass from quarterback Brian Griese to junior Mark Campbell. Michigan scored one more touchdown in the third quarter on a 29yard run by freshman Anthony Thomas and tacked on a 31-yard field goal by Kraig Baker in the fourth to secure the win. Sophomore Byron Evans led the Golden Gopher rushing attack with 82 yards on 17 carries. Senior linebacker Lamanzer Williams added to his single-season school record sack count with two sacks for a total loss of nine yards. Sophomore cornerback Jimmy Wyrick snuffed a potential Michigan scoring drive late in the first half with his first career interception. Michigan's defense compiled five sacks and 12 tackles for a loss on the day to stifle the Golden Gophers' offense. Griese completed 14-of-27 passing attempts for 171 yards and one touchdown for Michigan.

SCOREBOARD 2 3 Final Ohio State 10 14 0 7 31 **MINNESOTA** 0 3

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: OSU-9:27-Pearson 9 run (Stultz kick)

OSU-6:11-Stultz 38 FG

2nd Otr.: UM-11:36-Bailey 47 FG

OSU-8:39-Boston 6 pass from Germaine

(Stultz kick)

OSU-:32-Lumpkin 25 pass from Germaine

(Stultz kick)

No Scoring 3rd Otr.:

OSU-13:10-Boston 4 pass from Germaine 4th Qtr.:

(Stultz kick)

	MINNESOTA	Ohio State
First Downs	6	18
Rushing Yards	51	105
Passing Yards	106	254
Net Yards	157	359
Att/Comp/Int	27/10/2	31/21/0
Punts/Avg	8/42.9	9/43.7
Fumbles/Lost	5/2	2/2
Penalties/Yds	7/51	8/60

UM: Byron Evans - 11/32

OSU: Matt Keller - 5/37; Pepe Pearson - 6/20, 1 TD

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 23/9/1, 95 yards

OSU: Joe Germaine - 21/17/0, 211 yards, 3 TDs Stanley Jackson - 7/4/0, 43 yards

RECEIVING

UM: Tutu Atwell - 4/55 OSU: David Boston - 8/94, 2 TDs;

Dee Miller - 5/80; John Lumpkin - 1/25, 1 TD

HIGHLIGHTS

The No. 7-ranked Ohio State Buckeyes cruised to a 31-3 victory over the Golden Gophers in the 79th Homecoming game at the Metrodome. The Buckeyes got on the board first when senior Pepe Pearson scored on a nine-yard run in the first quarter. Ohio State added a 38yard field goal by placekicker Dan Stultz to go up 10-0 with 6:11 reamining in the first quarter. Minnesota scored its only points of the game on a 47-yard field goal by junior Adam Bailey early in the second quarter. From that point on it was all Ohio State as they scored two more touchdowns in the second quarter and one in the fourth to win the game. The Golden Gophers were led by senior Tutu Atwell who caught four passes for 55 yards. He also returned five punts for 90 yards and three kickoffs for 92 yards. Senior quarterback Cory Sauter completed 9-of-23 passing attempts for 95 yards with one interception. Ohio State was led by Germaine who completed 17-of-21 passing attempts for 211 yards and three touchdowns. Sophomore wideout David Boston caught eight passes for two touchdowns and 94 yards. Defensively for the Buckeyes, freshman Na'il Diggs had three sacks for a loss of 12 yards.

<u> 6 O L D E N 6 O P H E R F O O T B A L L</u>

Game #11 • Indiana at Minnesota Nov. 15, 1997 • Metrodome (33,905)

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	Final
Indiana	6	6	0	0	12
MINNESOTA	14	0	3	7	24

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: IU-12:55-Payne 48 FG

UM-7:21-Hamner 23 pass from Sauter

(Bailey kick)

IU-4:11-Payne 22 FG

UM-3:49-Atwell 45 pass from Sauter

(Bailey kick)

2nd Qtr.: ÎU-4:23-Payne 21 FG IU-:00-Payne 40 FG

3rd Qtr.: UM-1:55-Bailey 37 FG

4th Qtr.: UM-2:50-Sauter 5 run (Bailey kick)

	MINNESOTA-	Indiana
First Downs	17	18
Rushing Yards	98	150
Passing Yards	267	293
Net Yards	365	443
Att/Comp/Int	25/16/1	41/23/2
Punts/Avg	6/40.2	5/35.8
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	2/1
Penalties/Yds	2/9	4/15

RUSHING

UM: Byron Evans - 11/42 IU: Glynn Johnson - 16/99

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 25/16/1, 267 yards, 2 TDs

IU: Jay Rodgers - 40/22/2, 254 yards

RECEIVING

UM: Tutu Atwell - 7/167, 1 TD

IU: Chris Gall - 9/55

HIGHLIGHTS

The Golden Gophers picked up their first Big Ten victory of the season, a 24-12 win over Indiana, in the 97 home finale. Indiana placekicker Andy Payne got the Hoosiers on the board first with a 48-yard field goal early in the first quarter. Minnesota went up 7-3 after quarterback Cory Sauter hooked up with sophomore Thomas Hamner on a 23-yard pass play. On the Golden Gophers' next posession, Sauter connected with senior wideout Tutu Atwell for a 45-yard completion to increase the lead to 14-6. With Minnesota in front 17-12 in the fourth quarter, Payne attempted his fifth field goal of the game, but the 41-yard boot hit the left upright and bounced out. Sauter then clinched the victory with a five-yard touchdown run to close out the scoring. Atwell finished the game with 214 all-purpose yards to become Minnesota's single-season leader with 1,925 all-purpose yards, surpassing Chris Darkins' 1994 record of 1,742. Senior Lamanzer Williams added two sacks to increase his single-season school record to 15.5. Interceptions by defensive backs Jimmy Wyrick and Crawford Jordan snuffed out potential Indiana scoring drives. Indiana quarterback Jay Rodgers completed 22-of-40 passing attempts for 254 yards, while Payne hit four field goals to score all of Indiana's points.

SCOREBOARD 1 2 3 4 Final Iowa 10 7 16 10 43 MINNESOTA 0 10 7 7 24

SCORING SUMMARY

1st Qtr.: Iowa-8:54-Shaw 5 run (Bromert kick)

Iowa-4:47-Hurley 50 FG

2nd Qtr.: Iowa-12:52-Dwight 5 run (Bromert kick)

UM-6:49-Bailey 20 FG

UM-:10-Thelwell 9 pass from Sauter

(Bailey kick)

3rd Qtr.: UM-8:16-Sauter 1 run (Bailey kick)

Iowa-2:53-Willock recovered ball in end zone

(Bromert kick)

Iowa-2:31-safety, ball snapped out of end zone

Iowa-:58-Dwight 53 pass from Sherman

(Bromert kick)

4th Qtr.: Iowa-11:21-Bromert 25 FG

Iowa-10:10-Shaw 14 run (Bromert kick)

UM-6:50-Thelwell 11 pass from Sauter

(Bailey kick)

MINNESOTA	Iowa
20	18
75	227
235	226
310	453
47/17/2	21/17/0
6/36.8	3/45.7
3/1	5/2
5/35	5/41
	20 75 235 310 47/17/2 6/36.8 3/1

RUSHING

UM: Byron Evans - 12/40

Iowa: Sedrick Shaw - 27/108, 2 TDs

PASSING

UM: Cory Sauter - 47/17/2, 235 yards, 2 TDs

Iowa: Matt Sherman - 21/17/0, 226 yards, 1 TD

RECEIVING

UM: Ryan Thelwell - 8/127, 2 TDs lowa: Tim Dwight - 7/134, 1 TD

HIGHLIGHTS

Tied 17-17 midway through the third quarter, Iowa broke the game open with 26 unanswered points en route to a 43-24 win over the Golden Gophers in the season finale. The Golden Gophers erased an early 17-0 Hawkeye lead with 17 points of their own. After a 20-yard Adam Bailey field goal, Cory Sauter connected with Ryan Thelwell on a nine-yard scoring play to cut the deficit to seven at the half. A 30-yard Sauter-to-Thelwell pass play set up a oneyard sneak for a TD by Sauter with 8:46 left in the third that knotted things up. Behind quarterback Matt Sherman, running back Sedrick Shaw and receiver Tim Dwight, the Hawkeyes then surged to their fourth straight win over the Gophers. Thelwell, the all-time school career leader in both receptions and receiving yards, established a new single-season school record with 1,051 receiving yards. Tutu Atwell also set a single-season school mark with 62 receptions in '96.

1997 Minnesota Golden Gopher Football Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 16, 1997) All games

TEAM STATISTICS	UM	OPP
SCORING	238	303
Points Per Game	21.6	27.5
FIRST DOWNS	158	203
Rushing	82	69
Passing	67	117
Penalty	9	17
RUSHING YARDAGE	1515	1458
Yards gained rushing	1941	1783
Yards lost rushing	426	325
Rushing Attempts	465	442
Average Per Rush	3.3	3.3
Average Per Game	137.7	132.5
TDs Rushing	12	15
PASSING YARDAGE	1777	2670
Att-Comp-Int	244-134-9	323-181-9
Average Per Pass	7.3	8.3
Average Per Catch	13.3	14.8
Average Per Game	161.5	242.7
TDs Passing	13	19
TOTAL OFFENSE	3292	4128
Total Plays	709	765
Average Per Play	4.6	5.4
Average Per Game	299.3	375.3
KICKOFF RETURNS: #-YARDS	45-1155	44-985
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	21-252	29-267
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	9 - 42	9-106
KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE	25.7 12.0	22.4 9.2
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	4.7	11.8
FUMBLES-LOST	19-11	23-13
PENALTIES-YARDS	60-507	62-522
Average Per Game	46.1	47.5
PUNTS-YARDS	68-2749	56-2410
Average Per Punt	40.4	43.0
Net punt average	36.5	38.5
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	29:40	30:12
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	46/160	62/166
3rd-Down Pct	29%	37%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	9/19	6/12
4th-Down Pct	47%	50%
SACKS BY-YARDS	36-167	42-247
MISC YARDS	6	58
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	27	. 36
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	15-19	18-24
PAT KICKS-ATTEMPTS	23-23	31-31
ATTENDANCE	269385	333511
Games/Avg Per Game	6/44898	5/66702
BY QUARTER 1st 2nd 3rd 4th	Total	
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Team 59 54 53 72		
Opponents 63 124 54 62	- 303	

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I)ate		Opponent		Score		Overall Record	Conference Record	Time	Attend
7	lug 30, 1997	at	Hawai'i		3-17	L	0- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:09	31510
5	Sep 13, 1997		IOWA STATE	W	53-29		1- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:17	55943
S	Sep 20, 1997	at	Memphis	W	20-17		2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:09	23208
S	Sep 27, 1997		HOUSTON		43-45	L	2- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	3:26	36447
* C	oct 4, 1997	at	Michigan State		10-31	L	2- 3- 0	0- 1- 0	2:45	75263
	oct 11, 1997		PURDUE		43-59	L	2- 4- 0	0- 2- 0	3:18	37821
* 0	oct 18, 1997	at	Penn State		15-16	L	2- 5- 0	0- 3- 0	3:06	96953
* C	ct 25, 1997		WISCONSIN		21-22	L	2- 6- 0	0- 4- 0	2:50	57563
* N	lov 1, 1997	at	Michigan	•	3-24	L	2- 7- 0	0- 5- 0	2:54	106577
* N	lov 08, 1997		OHIO STATE		3-31	L	2- 8- 0	0- 6- 0	3:08	47706
* N	iov 15, 1997		INDIANA	W	24-12		3- 8- 0	1- 6- 0	3:01	33905
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D	ate		Opponent		Score		Record	Record	Time	Attend
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	ug 30, 1997	at	Hawai'i	••	· - ·	L	0- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:09	31510
	ep 13, 1997	- 1	IOWA STATE	W	53-29		1- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:17	55943
	ep 20, 1997	at	Memphis	W	20-17		2- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	3:09	23208
	ep 27, 1997		HOUSTON		43-45	L	2- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	3:26	36447
	ct 4, 1997	at	Michigan State		10-31	L	2- 3- 0	0- 1- 0	2:45	75263
	ct 11, 1997		PURDUE		43-59	L	2- 4- 0	0- 2- 0	3:18	37821
	ct 18, 1997	at	Penn State		15-16	L	2- 5- 0	0- 3- 0	3:06	96953
	ct 25, 1997		WISCONSIN		21-22	L	2- 6- 0	0- 4- 0	2:50	57563
	ov 1, 1997	at	Michigan		3-24	L	2- 7- 0	0- 5- 0	2:54	106577
	ov 08, 1997		OHIO STATE		3-31	L	2- 8- 0	0- 6- 0	3:08	47706
* N	ov 15, 1997		INDIANA	W	24-12		3- 8- 0	1- 6- 0	3:01	33905

^{*} indicates conference game

		First	RUSHING	PASSING		TOTAL	OFFENSE	Return	Penalty	Turn-
0pponent	Score	Downs	Number-Yards	Attempts-Comp-Int	Yards	Plays	Yards	Yards	Yards	Overs
		/	/		/	/	/	/	/	/
Hawai'i	3-17	13/11	42-100 / 36-72	27-13- 1 / 29-11- 1	121/102	69/65	221/174	99/85	69/73	3/1
IOWA STATE	53-29	11/21	37-195 / 38-52	18-11- 0 / 35-21- 1	95/295	55/73	290/347	320/215	82/5	1/3
Memphis	20-17	15/20	50-153 / 31-49	18-11- 1 / 44-25- 0	107/300	68/75	260/349	55/85	68/70	1/2
HOUSTON	43-45	23/17	39-163 / 45-176	35-23- 0 / 26-17- 0	368/310	74/71	531/486	180/138	11/56	3/0
Michigan State	10-31	14/24	35-96 / 45-141	22-12- 2 / 31-19- 1	150/304	57/76	246/445	95/113	32/51	2/2
PURDUE	43-59	27/15	57-313 / 32-158	24-17- 1 / 24-11- 1	266/334	81/56	579/492	132/204	80/39	2/1
Penn State	15-16	14/17	45-158 / 45-188	23-11- 1 / 18- 7- 2	116/86	68/63	274/274	37/156	55/35	2/4
WISCONSIN	21-22	12/20	38-98 / 52-163	14- 7- 0 / 14-11- 0	169/202	52/66	267/365	120/99	15/31	1/2
Michigan	3-24	6/22	40-90 / 49-204	11- 3- 0 / 30-15- 1	12/190	51/79	102/394	47/140	35/87	0/2
OHIO STATE	3-31	6/18	40-51 / 36-105	27-10- 2 / 31-21- 0	106/254	67/67	157/359	224/69	51/60	4/2
INDAMA	24-12	17/18	42-98 / 33-150	25-16- 1 / 41-23- 2	267/293	67/74	365/443	146/112	9/15	1/3
Totals	238-303	158/203	465-1515/442-1458	244-134- 9/323-181- 9	1777/2670	709/765	3292/4128	1455/1416	507/522	20/22

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RUSHING	G	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/	G	PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Thomas Hamner	11	147	650	37	613	4.2	4	35	55.	7	Tutu Atwell	21	252	12.0	0	40
Byron Evans	9	67	381	23	358	5.3	3	45	39.	8	Team totals	21	252	12.0	0	40
A. Henderson	6	49	226	32	194	4.0	1	31	32.	3	Opp totals	29	267	9.2	0	27
Billy Cockerham	7	43	163	37	126	2.9	0	22	18.	0						
Jim Bean	11	26	97	2	95	3.7	1	14	٠ 8.	6	INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Tutu Atwell	11	7	96	19	77	11.0	0	44	7.	0					-'	
Cory Sauter	11	123	312	276	36	0.3	3	19	3.	3	Ben Mezera	2	0	0.0	0	0
Greg Nelson	11	1	11	0	11	11.0	0	11	1.	0	Craig Scruggs	2	0	0.0	0	0
Justin Hall	11	2	5	0	5	2.5	0	3	0.	5	Jimmy Wyrick	2	0	0.0	0	0
Team totals	11	465	1941	426	1515	3.3	12	45	137	7	Sean Hoffman	1	6	6.0	0	6
Opp totals	11	442	1783	325	1458	3.3	15	33	132	.5	Crawford Jordan	1	36	36.0	0	36
.,											Tyrone Carter	1	0	0.0		0
PASSING	G	Eff	fic A	tt-Cmp	o-Int	Pct	Yds	: TD	Lng	Avg/G	Team totals	9	42	4.7	0	36
											Opp totals	9	106	11.8	0	45
Cory Sauter	11	116.	.99	218-1	19-7	54.6	1472	2 8	58	133.8						
Billy Cockerham	7	162.	.56	23-12	2-2	52.2	232	2 3	75	33.1	KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Ryan Rindels	11	441.	.40	2-2	-0	100.0	42	2 1	42	3.8						
Tutu Atwell	11	690.	.40	1-1-	-0	100.0	3'	1 1	31	2.8	Tutu Atwell	29	754	26.0	2	93
Team totals	11	126.	.30	244-13	34-9	54.9	1777	7 13	75	161.5	Tyrone Carter	14	375	26.8	0	55
Opp totals	11	139.	.31	323-18	81-9	56.0	2670	19	93	242.7	Mike Harden	1	15	15.0	0	15
											Byron Evans	1	11	11.0	0	11
RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Av.	g TD	Long	Avg/(3			Team totals	45	1155	25.7	2	93
								-			Opp totals	44	985	22.4	0	40
Tutu Atwell	11	53	842	15.9	9 5	58	76.	5								
Luke Leverson	11	28	400	14.3	3 1	<i>7</i> 5	36.4	4			FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Greg Nelson	11	13	182	14.0	0 3	38	16.	5								
Thomas Hamner	11	12	85	7.	1 1	23	7.3	7			Mike Cernoch	1	0	0.0	0	0
Alex Hass	11	6	92	15.	3 0	25	8.4	4			Parc Williams	1	1	1.0	0	1
Justin Hall	11	6	53	8.	8 1	40	4.8	В			Sean Hoffman	1	3	3.0	0	3
A. Henderson	6	6	21	3.	5 0	8	3.	5			Jimmy Wyrick	1	2	2.0	0	2
Byron Evans	9	4	26	6.	5 0	11	2.9	9			Team totals	4	6	1.5	0	3
Ryan Hubbard	10	2	27	13.	5 0	19	2.	7			Opp totals	5	58	11.6	2	55
Troy Duerr	11	2	4	2.	0 1	2	0.4	4								
Jimmy Wyrick																
	11	1	42	42.	0 1	42	3.	В								
Jim Bean		1					3.0 0.3									
Jim Bean Team totals	11	1		3.	0 0	3		3								

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,							PATS
TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G	SCORING TD FGs Kick Rush Rcv Pass DXP Saf - Pts
							•••••
Cory Sauter	11	341	36	1472	1508	137.1	Adam Bailey 0 15-19 23-23 0-0 0 0-0 0 0 - 68
Thomas Hamner	11	147	613	0	613	55.7	Tutu Atwell 7 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 0 - 42
Billy Cockerham	7	66	126	232	358	51.1	Thomas Hamner 5 0-0 0-0 1-1 0 0-0 0 0 - 32
Byron Evans	9	67	358	0	358	39.8	Byron Evans 3 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 0 - 18
A. Henderson	6	49	194	0	194	32.3	Cory Sauter 3 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 - 18
Tutu Atwell	11	8	77	31	108	9.8	Greg Nelson 3 0-0 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 - 18
Jim Bean	11	26	95	0	95	8.6	Jim Bean 1 0-0 0-0 1-2 0 0-0 0 0 - 8
Ryan Rindels	11	2	0	42	42	3.8	A. Henderson 1 0-0 0-0 1-1 0 0-0 0 0 - 8
Greg Nelson	11	1	11	0	11	1.0	Troy Duerr 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 0 - 6
Justin Hall	11	2	5	0	5	0.5	Justin Hall
Team totals	11	709	1515	1777	3292	299.3	Jimmy Wyrick 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 0 - 6
Opp totals	11	765	1458	2670	4128	375.3	Luke Leverson 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 0 - 6
, ,							TM 0 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0-0 0 1 - 2
							Team totals 27 15-19 23-23 3-4 0 0-0 0 1 - 238
							Opp totals 36 18-24 31-31 0-2 1 1-3 0 0 - 303

ALL PURPOSE		Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	FR	Tot	Avg/G
Tutu Atwell	11	 77	842	252	754	0	0	1925	175.0
Thomas Hamner	11	613	85	0	0	0	0	698	63.5
Luke Leverson	11	0.5	400	0	0	0	0	400	36.4
Byron Evans	9	358	26	0	11	0	0	395	43.9
Tyrone Carter	11	0	0	0	375	0	0	375	34.1
A. Henderson	6	194	21	0	0	0	0	215	35.8
Greg Nelson	11	11	182	0	0	0	0	193	17.5
Billy Cockerham	7	126	0	0	0	0	0	126	18.0
Jim Bean	11	95	3	0	0	0	0	98	8.9
Alex Hass	11	0	92	0	0	0	0	92	8.4
Justin Hall	11	5	53	0	0	0	0	58	5.3
Jimmy Wyrick	11	0	42	0	0	0	2	44	4.0
Crawford Jordan	11	0	0	0	0	36	0	36	3.3
Cory Sauter	11	36	0	0	0	0	0	36	3.3
Ryan Hubbard	10	0	27	0	0	0	0	27	2.7
Mike Harden	9	0	0	0	15	0	0	15	1.7
Sean Hoffman	11	0	0	0	0	6	3	9	0.8
Troy Duerr	11	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	0.4
Parc Williams	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.1
Team totals	11	1515	1777	252	1155	42	6	4747	431.5
Onn totals	11	1458	2670	267	985	106	58	5544	504.0

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FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA Pct 01-19 20-29 30-39 4	0-49 50-99 Lg Blk	PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	120	Blkd
Adam Bailey	15-19 78.9 0-0 3-5 6-6	3-4 3-4 52 2	Ryan Rindels	63	2577	40.9	68	3	12	11	0
			Steve Kemph	4	172	43.0	56	2	0	0	0
FG SEQUENCE	Minnesota	OPPONENTS	Team	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1
			Team totals	68	2749	40.4	68	5	12	11	1
Hawai'i	(44),22	33,(31)	Opp totals	56	2410	43.0	62	6	13	15	0
Iowa State	(52)	(31),(48),(19)									
Memphis	(27),(39)	(27)									
Houston	56	(26),(43),41,(27)									
Michigan State	(30)	(34),52									
Purdue	-	(32)									
Penn State	(52),(23),(32),(50),24,(33)	51,(34)									
Wisconsin	(30),(42)	(38)									
Michigan	(27)	33,(31)									
Ohio State	(47)	(38)									
Indiana	45,(37)	(48),(22),(21),(40)	,41								

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

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DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	UT	AT		ForLoss	No-Yards							Saf
lla Tyrone Carter	11	97	23	120	•	•	1-0	6	•	•	1	•	•
Ma Parc Williams	11	78	30	108	4-15	3.0-11	• •	2	4	1-1	3	•	•
lla Sean Hoffman	11	55	34	89	6-13	2.0-10	1-6	3	1	3-3	•	•	•
Ma L. Williams	11	42	20	62	20-89	15.5-76	•	5	16	•	5	• •	•
‼a Jimmy Wyrick	11	51	11	62	1-2	•	2-0	10	1	2-2	1	•	•
Ma Antoine Richard	11	32	29	61	5-6	2.0-2	•	•	3	1-0	•	•	•
lla Crawford Jordan	11	47	11	58	1-3	•	1-36	3	•	•	•	•	•
‼a Keith Dimmy	10	36	12	48	•	•	•	1	•	•	•	•	•
‼a Craig Scruggs	11	26	6	32	•	•	2-0	11	•	•	•	•	•
‼a Rufus Smith	10	23	8	31	6-26	3.0-18	•	•	6	•	1	•	•
‼a Raymond Baylor	11	15	12	27	2-5	1.5-5	•	•	3	•	•	•	•
‼a Ben Mezera	10	16	8	24	6-44	4.0-35	2-0	1	3	3-0	•	•	•
‼a Dyron Russ	10	11	9	20	1-5	•	•	•	1	1-0	•	•	•
‼a Mark Cross	11	11	7	18	2-10	1.0-2	•	•	3	•	•	•	•
‼a Josh Rawlings	11	7	9	16	•	•	•	•	•	1-0	•	•	•
‼a Tim Grate	11	8	2	10	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
‼a Donny Dalton	11	6	2	8	•	•	•	•	•	•	1	•	•
‼a Trevis Graham	11	6	•	6	•	•	•	1	•	•	1	•	
‼a Mike Cernoch	7	5	1	6	2-5	1.0-1	•	•	•	1-0	1	•	•
Fred Rodgers	11	6	•	6	•	•	•	2	•	•	•	•	•
Jon Michals	9	5	•	5	3-16	3.0-16	•	•	1	• ,	•	•	•
‼a Mike Harden	9	4	•	4	•	•	•	•		•	•		•
‼a Bo Wasurick	11	3	•	3	•	•	•		•	•			•
‼a Nate Pearson	1	2	1	3	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
‼a Derek Rackley	10	1	1	2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
lla Erin McManus	4	2	•	2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
!!a Billy Cockerham	7	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
‼a Jim Bean	11	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•			
‼a Luke Leverson	11	1	•	1	÷	•	•			•	•	•	
‼a Rahim Artic	2		1	1	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	
‼a Ryan Rindels	11	1		1	•	•	•	•		•	•		•
‼a Tutu Atwell	11	1		1	•	•	•	•		•		•	
‼a Luke Braaten	6	1		1	•	•	•			•	•	•	
‼a Thomas Hamner	11	1	•	1	•	•	•	•		•			•
!!a Adam Bailey	11	1	•	1	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
TM TM	2	-	_	_	•	•	•	•	•	•	2	•	1
!!a Team totals	11	603	237	840	59 - 239	36.0-176	9-42	45	42	13-6	16	•	1
!!a Opp totals	11			-	-	42.0-259	9-106	24	6	11-58	10	3	-
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