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~ This Week in Gopher Sports ~

Saturday, December 12



Basketball
vs. Eastern Michigan
Williams Arena
Midwest Sports Channel live
WCCO Radio (830 am) live
7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 13

Wrestling
at Oregon State
Corvallis, Ore.
Noon



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Wednesday, December 9:

Senior forward **QUINCY LEWIS** previews the Eastern Michigan game.

Thursday, December 10:

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Friday, December 11:

Senior wrestler **PAT CONNORS** previews upcoming dual meets against Oregon State and Portland State.

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WEEKLY RELEASES

The University of Minnesota Men's Media Relations Office will be producing five separate releases during the 1998-99 academic year. Football, basketball, hockey and baseball information will be covered in sport-specific weekly releases, while information on "Olympic Sports" will appear each Monday in this release. Please refer any questions to the Men's Media Relations office at (612) 625-4090.

Wrestling



GOLDEN GOPHERS BLANK MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MANKATO 45-0:

The No. 2 ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team defeated No. 7 ranked Minnesota State University, Mankato, 45-0 in front of 2,185 at Otto Arena in Mankato, Minn., Thursday night. Freshman **LEROY VEGA** (Portage, Ind.) got the Golden Gophers started with a pin over Chris Maggard in 5:54 at 125 to earn Minnesota six points. Senior **PAT CONNORS** (Longview, Wash.), ranked 10th in the nation, continued the winning ways with a major decision over Mark Natzke 20-9 at 133. Freshman **CHAD ERIKSON** (Apple Valley, Minn.), ranked 11th in the nation, who upset the No. 8 ranked Jamill Kelly of Oklahoma State Sunday, defeated Travis Shives, ranked fifth in the Division II, 17-5.

At 149, senior **TROY MARR** (Wyoming, Minn.) decisioned the defending NCAA Division II champion Troy Szydel, 6-3 to up the Golden Gopher lead to 17-0. Senior **CHAD KRAFT** (Lakefield, Minn.), ranked No. 1 in the nation, increased Minnesota's lead to 21-0 with a major decision over Matt Petsinger 18-6.

Senior **JOSH HOLIDAY** (Anaheim, Calif.), ranked fourth in the nation defeated Brian Beste 15-6, at 165 to open the second half and increase the lead to 25-0. Junior **DELANEY BERGER** (Mandan, N.D.) earned his first pin of the year in defeating Billy Dehmer in 2:39 at 174 pounds. No. 1 ranked junior **BRANDON EGGUM** (Sydney, Mont.) defeated Ryan Rettke 24-10 at 184 to increase the lead to 35-0. Senior **TIM HARTUNG** (Durand, Wis.), ranked No. 1 in the nation, earned his seventh pin of the season in 1:10 over Chad Kranz at 197. Junior **BRENT BOESHANS** (Beulah, N.D.) finished out the match for

the Golden Gophers with a 15-4 major decision. Here are the results from the Minnesota State University, Mankato dual meet:

No. 2 Minnesota 45, No. 7 Minnesota State University, Mankato 0
 Otto Arena • December 3, 1998
 125 -- Leroy Vega (MINN) pinned Chris Maggard (MSUM) 5:54
 133 -- Pat Connors (MINN) maj. dec. Mark Natzke (MSUM) 20-9
 141 -- Chad Erikson (MINN) maj. dec. Travis Shives (MSUM) 17-5
 149 -- Troy Marr (MINN) dec. Troy Szydel (MSUM) 6-3
 157 -- Chad Kraft (MINN) maj. dec. Matt Petsinger (MSUM) 18-6
 165 -- Josh Holiday (MINN) maj. dec. Brian Beste (MSUM) 15-6
 174 -- Delaney Berger (MINN) pinned Billy Dehmer (MSUM) 2:39
 184 -- Brandon Eggum (MINN) maj. dec. Ryan Rettke (MSUM) 24-10
 197 -- Tim Hartung (MINN) pinned Chad Kranz (MSUM) 1:10
 HWT -- Brent Boeshans (MINN) maj. dec. Jeremy Swenson (MSUM) 15-4

CLARK PLACES SECOND AT NORTHERN IOWA OPEN:

Freshman **JACOB CLARK** (S. St. Paul, Minn.) finished second competing unattached at 165 pounds at the Northern Iowa Open in Cedar Falls, Iowa Saturday night. Clark won four straight matches before losing to Don Pritzlaff of Wisconsin, 5-2, in the championships match. At 149, freshman **LUKE BECKER** (Cambridge, Minn.) finished fifth overall defeating Dusty Coufal of Wisconsin, 5-3. Freshman **JOE CALAVITTA** (Yorba Linda, Calif.) also competed at Iowa Saturday, but did not place.

NO. 1 OKLAHOMA STATE DEFEATS NO. 2 MINNESOTA: The No. 1 ranked Oklahoma State Cowboys extended their 46 dual meet win streak to 47 with a 21-17 victory over the second ranked Golden Gophers in front of 5,284 at Williams Arena. The match was tied at 17-17 heading into the final match at 125 between No. 1 ranked Teague Moore of Oklahoma State and No. 16 Leroy Vega of Minnesota. Moore defeated Vega 16-6 to score four points for the Cowboys to win the match. Minnesota led at halftime after freshman Chad Erikson, ranked

Scoreboard

Golden Gopher Wrestling Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Saturday, Nov. 14	Bison Open	Fargo, N.D.	9 Titles
Saturday, Nov. 21	North Dakota St.	Fargo, N.D.	W, 27-12
Saturday, Nov. 21	at St. Louis Open	St. Louis, Mo.	1 Title
Saturday, Nov. 21	at Kaufman-Brand	Omaha, Neb.	3 Titles
Sunday, Nov. 29	Oklahoma State	Williams Arena	L, 21-17
Thursday, Dec. 3	at Minnesota St.	Mankato, Minn.	W, 45-0
Sunday, Dec. 13	at Oregon State	Corvallis, Ore.	Noon
Sunday, Dec. 13	at Portland State	Portland, Ore.	7 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 2	Iowa State	Williams Arena	7:30 p.m.
Sat.-Sun., Jan. 16-17	National Duals	Iowa City, Iowa	All Day
Friday, Jan. 22	Michigan	Sports Pavilion	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 24	Michigan State	Sports Pavilion	2 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 30	at Iowa	Iowa City, Iowa	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 31	at Wisconsin	Madison, Wis.	1 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 5	Illinois	Williams Arena	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 7	Ohio State	Sports Pavilion	2 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 12	Northern Iowa	Sports Pavilion	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 14	at Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.	2 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 19	at Purdue	West Lafayette, Ind.	7 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 21	at Northwestern	Evanston, Ill.	TBA
Sat.-Sun., March 6-7	at Big Tens	Ann Arbor, Mich.	TBA
Thurs.-Sat., March 18-20	at NCAAAs	University Park, Pa.	TBA

1998-99 Roster

Name	Yr.	Wgt.	Hometown(High School)
Julio Alaniz	Fr.	125	Mankato, Minn. (Mankato West)
Steven Bartlett	Fr.	197	Racine, Wis. (S.I. Case)
Luke Becker	Fr.	149	Cambridge, Minn. (Cambridge)
Delaney Berger	Jr.	174	Mandan, N.D. (Mandan)
Benjamin Bly	Fr.	184	LaCrescent, Minn. (LaCrescent)
Brent Boeshans	Jr.	HWT	Beulah, N.D. (Mandan)
Joe Calavitta	Fr.	141	Yorba Linda, Calif. (Calvary Chapel)
Jacob Clark	Fr.	165	South St. Paul, Minn. (South St. Paul)
Pat Connors	Sr.	133	Longview, Wash. (R.A. Long)
Mike Cuperus	Fr.	174	Worthington, Minn. (Worthington)
Brandon Eggum	Jr.	184	Sidney, Mont. (Sidney)
Owen Elzen	Fr.	197	Eyota, Minn. (Dover-Eyota)
Chad Erikson	Fr.	141	Apple Valley, Minn. (Apple Valley)
Mike Flanagan	Fr.	HWT	St. Paul, Minn. (St. Thomas Academy)
Ty Friederichs	Jr.	141	Maple Grove, Minn. (Osseo)
Bart Golyer	Sr.	133	Cedar, Minn. (St. Francis)
Tim Hartung	Sr.	197	Durand, Wis. (Durand)
Josh Holiday	Sr.	165	Anaheim, Calif. (Calvary Chapel)
Kenneth Howard	So.	184	Mandan, N.D. (Mandan)
Chad Kraft	Sr.	157	Lakefield, Minn. (Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield)
Matt Kraft	Fr.	174	Lakefield, Minn. (Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield)
Jesse Krebs	Sr.	157	Minot, N.D. (Minot)
Josh Krebs	So.	149	Minot, N.D. (Minot)
Brett Lawrence	So.	133	Sandpoint, Idaho (Sandpoint)
Jared Lawrence	Fr.	141	Sandpoint, Idaho (Sandpoint)
Garrett Lowney	Fr.	HWT	Appleton, Wis. (Freedom)
Mitch Marr	Fr.	149	Wyoming, Minn. (Forest Lake)
Troy Marr	Sr.	149	Wyoming, Minn. (Forest Lake)
Casey McGraw	Fr.	197	Jacksonville, Fla. (Bolles School)
Eddie Pak	Jr.	157	Grayslake, Ill. (Grayslake)
Brad Pike	So.	149	Brownsdale, Minn. (Hayfield)
Doug Surgenor	Fr.	149	Neenah, Wis. (Neenah)
Leroy Vega	Fr.	125	Portage, Ind. (Portage)

Wrestling



14th in the country knocked off No. 8 Jamill Kelly 15-9 at 141. No. 1 ranked Chad Kraft continued the winning ways with a 3-1 decision over third ranked Jimmy Arias. Senior Josh Holiday ranked seventh in the country defeated Ty Wilcox 14-6 to put the Golden Gophers up 10-8 at the break.

Junior Delaney Berger lost a close match to No. 1 ranked Mark Smith 2-1 at 174. Junior Brandon Eggum, ranked No. 1 in the nation, decisioned eighth ranked Mark Munoz 5-2 at 184. No. 1 ranked senior Tim Hartung put the Golden Gophers up 17-11 after a 21-6 technical fall decision over Pat Popolizio. Heavyweight Brent Boeshans was pinned by 16th ranked Dave Anderton to even the score 17-17 heading into the final match.

GOLDEN GOPHERS ARE NO. 2 IN LATEST RANKING:

Minnesota is ranked No. 2 in the nation according to *Intermat* and No. 3 according to *Amateur Wrestling News*. According to *Intermat*, seniors Tim Hartung, Chad Kraft and junior Brandon Eggum are all ranked No. 1 at 197, 157 and 184 respectively. Senior Josh Holiday is No. 4 at 165, junior Delaney Berger is No. 10 at 174, senior Pat Connors is ranked No. 10 at 133, freshman Chad Erikson is ranked No. 11 at 141 and freshman Leroy Vega is ranked No. 16 at 125.

NO. 1 RECRUIT SIGNS WITH MINNESOTA: The University of Minnesota wrestling program announced that Damion Hahn signed a national letter of intent to attend the University of Minnesota.

Hahn, a native of Lakewood, N.J., is the No. 1 high school wrestler in the nation at any weight class according to *Amateur Wrestling News*, *Wrestling Institute Newsmagazine*, *USA Wrestling* and the National Wrestling Coaches Association. A standout at Lakewood High School, Hahn has won two New Jersey state titles at 189 pounds. He is also a two-time Junior National Freestyle Champion and a four-time Junior Olympic champion at 178 pounds. In three years, Hahn has racked up a 94-2 overall record and has won 64 consecutive matches at Lakewood.

"Landing Damion Hahn is another big step in bringing our program to the top," Minnesota Head Assistant Coach Marty Morgan said. "He had it narrowed down to Oklahoma State and us and usually at that point we lose them, but it was different this time. Damion and his dad realized Minnesota is an up and coming powerhouse and they wanted Damion to be a part of it."

Hahn will compete in the 184 pound weight class at Minnesota.

HARTUNG IS FINALIST FOR PRESTIGIOUS HODGE AWARD:

Senior Tim Hartung, a two-time Big Ten Champion and the 1998 NCAA Champion, was named a finalist for the Dan Hodge Trophy given to the most outstanding wrestler in the college ranks. The Hodge Trophy is the equivalent to the Heisman Trophy. Hartung joins Oklahoma State's Eric Guerrero and Cal State-Bakersfield's Stephen Neal as finalists for the award. Hartung was also a Hodge Trophy award finalist last year.

UP NEXT: Minnesota hits the road Sunday, Dec. 13, to face Oregon Portland State and Oregon State. The Golden Gophers will wrestle Portland State at 12 p.m. in Portland, Ore. and then travel to Corvallis, Ore. to wrestle Oregon State at 9 p.m.

1998-99 Minnesota Wrestling Records

Wt.	Name	O'all	Total	Dual	Big Ten
125	Leroy Vega	5-2	5-2	1-2	0-0
	Julio Alaniz	3-1	3-1	0-0	0-0
133	Pat Connors	8-3	8-3	1-1	0-0
	Bart Golyer	8-2	8-2	1-0	0-0
141	Brett Lawrence	10-2	10-2	0-0	0-0
	Jared Lawrence	9-0	9-0	0-0	0-0
149	Chad Erikson	11-2	11-2	2-0	0-0
	Ty Friederichs	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
157	Joe Calavitta	6-3	6-3	1-0	0-0
	Brad Pike	14-3	14-3	0-0	0-0
165	Troy Marr	6-2	6-2	2-1	0-0
	Luke Becker	14-2	14-2	0-0	0-0
174	Josh Krebs	2-1	2-1	0-0	0-0
	Doug Surgenor	2-3	2-3	0-0	0-0
184	Mitch Marr	2-4	2-4	0-0	0-0
	Chad Kraft	7-0	7-0	3-0	0-0
197	Eddie Pak	3-2	3-2	0-0	0-0
	Josh Holiday	10-1	10-1	2-0	0-0
74	Jacob Clark	8-1	8-1	0-0	0-0
	Jesse Krebs	5-1	5-1	1-0	0-0
184	Delaney Berger	4-1	4-1	1-1	0-0
	Matt Kraft	4-3	4-3	0-1	0-0
197	Mike Cuperus	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
	Brandon Eggum	7-0	6-0	2-0	0-0
HWT	Kenneth Howard	3-2	3-2	0-1	0-0
	Benjamin Bly	10-3	10-3	0-0	0-0
HWT	Tim Hartung	11-0	11-0	2-0	0-0
	Brandon Eggum		1-0	1-0	0-0
HWT	Owen Elzen	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0
	Steve Bartlett	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0
HWT	Casey McGraw	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
	Brent Boeshans	5-2	5-2	2-1	0-0
HWT	Garrett Lowney	7-1	7-1	0-0	0-0
	Mike Flanagan	3-4	3-4	0-0	0-0
Team Totals		188-55	188-55	22-8	0-0

Team Stats: Weight-by-Weight Results

Weight	Overall Record	Overall Dual	Big Ten Dual
125	8-3	1-2	0-0
133	26-7	2-1	0-0
141	26-5	3-0	0-0
149	40-15	2-1	0-0
157	10-2	3-0	0-0
165	23-3	3-0	0-0
174	8-4	1-2	0-0
184	19-5	2-1	0-0
197	13-4	3-0	0-0
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G O L D E N G O P H E R W R E S T L I N G

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133	Pat Connors	8-3	8-3	1-1	0-0	1-0	4/5	2-0	0-1		
	Brett Lawrence	10-2	10-2	0-0	0-0	3-0	0/0	4-0	0-0		
	Bart Golyer	8-2	8-2	1-0	0-0	2-0	3/0	1-0	1-0		
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	Ty Friederichs	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0		
	Joe Calavitta	6-3	6-3	1-0	0-0	3-1	3/0	0-0	0-0		
149	Brad Pike	14-3	14-3	0-0	0-0	2-0	0/0	5-0	0-0		
	Troy Marr	6-2	6-2	2-1	0-0	1-0	6/3	0-0	1-0		
	Luke Becker	14-2	14-2	0-0	0-0	6-0	0/0	2-0	2-0		
	Josh Krebs	2-1	2-1	0-0	0-0	1-0	0/0	0-0	0-0		
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	Mike Cuperus	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0		
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Season: Wrestler's record in all weight classes during the 98-99 season; **Total:** Wrestler's full-season record for 98-99 in the specified weight class; **Dual:** Dual match record at listed weight class; **Big Ten:** Dual Record vs. Big Ten Opponents; **Pins:** Total number of pins; **Points:** Total points scored in dual meets - Minnesota/Opponent; **MD:** Record in major decision matches; **TF:** Record in technical fall matches. **BTC:** Record and finish at Big Ten Championships. **NCAA:** Record and finish at NCAA Championships.

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165	23-3	3-0	0-0	4
174	8-4	1-2	0-0	1
184	19-5	2-1	0-0	10
197	13-4	3-0	0-0	7
HWT	15-7	2-1	0-0	6
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NO. 2 GOLDEN GOPHERS TO MEET NO. 6 IOWA STATE

The No. 6 ranked Iowa State Cyclones are 10-1 on the season thus far. Iowa State has seven wrestlers ranked in the top 20 according to *InterMat's* December 2 poll. At 133, junior Cody Sanderson is ranked fourth, sophomore Cole Sanderson is ranked 10th at 149. David Maldonado is ranked fifth at 157, freshman Joe Heskett is ranked fifth at 165, junior Ben Perkins is 14th at 174, at 184 freshman Cael Sanderson is sixth, at 197 sophomore Zach Thompson is seventh and freshman Mark Knauer is 15th at heavy-weight.

THE SERIES: Iowa State leads the Golden Gophers 29-13-2 in the all-time series. The last time the two teams met was January 4, 1998, when Minnesota defeated the Cyclones 20-15 at Hilton Coliseum in Ames, Iowa. Minnesota claimed six matches, which included five decisions. Bart Golyer, Jason Davids, Josh Holiday, Zac Taylor, Brandon Eggum and Tim Hartung picked up victories for the Golden Gophers. The last time Iowa State defeated the Golden Gophers was January 4, 1997, at Williams Arena, where the Cyclones downed Minnesota 19-16. Minnesota and Iowa State have met five consecutive seasons and the Golden Gophers lead the series 3-2 in those five years.

NO. 2 MINNESOTA WINS TWO DUAL MEETS IN OREGON:

The No. 2 ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team defeated No. 10 Oregon State 26-12 at Gill Coliseum in Corvallis, Ore. Minnesota claimed six of the 10 matches to defeat the Beavers. Senior Josh

Holiday, ranked No. 4 in the country, started Minnesota off with a 14-4 major decision victory over Isaac Wood at 165. No. 1 ranked junior Brandon Eggum defeated Isaac Weber 16-5 at 184. Senior Tim Hartung, ranked No. 1 in the nation, defeated sixth-ranked Shane Zajac with a technical fall decision in 6:45. At 125, freshman Leroy Vega defeated Nathan Navarro with a major decision score of 14-6. Freshman Chad Erikson, ranked No. 11 in the nation, pinned Shane Cunanan in just 0:21 seconds to earn the Golden Gophers six points at 141 pounds. Sophomore Brad Pike lost a close match to No. 1 ranked Oscar Wood with a 4-3 decision at 149 and senior Chad Kraft, ranked No. 1 in the nation, defeated No. 15 ranked Eric Jorgensen 7-6 to clinch the victory.

The No. 2 ranked Golden Gophers defeated Portland State 37-6 at Stott Center in Portland, Ore. Minnesota won matches to defeat the Vikings and improve its dual meet record to 4-1. Senior Chad Kraft, ranked No. 1 in the nation, pinned Derek Smith in 4:13 to earn Minnesota six points to start off the match at 157. Following him, senior Josh Holiday, ranked fourth in the country, defeated R. J. Gillespie 14-5 at 165 pounds. No. 1 ranked junior Brandon Eggum defeated Lonnie Eggert 16-7 at 184 and senior Tim Hartung, also ranked No. 1 at 197, earned his seventh pin of the season over Adam Thomas in 2:46. Also winning for Minnesota at 133 was senior Pat Connors with a 18-5 major decision, freshman Joe Calavitta with a 24-10 major decision over Casey Hunt at 141 and senior Troy Marr with a 9-3 decision over Brad Galletes at 149.

HARTUNG NAMED CAPTAIN OF ALL-AMERICAN FARM

TEAM: Senior wrestler Tim Hartung, of Durand, Wis., was named the captain of the wrestling All-American Farm Team. The All-American Farm Team is a scholastic program sponsored by Dodge Truck and Successful Farming magazine honoring outstanding collegiate athletes who call a farm or ranch home. A \$1,000 scholarship will be donated

Scoreboard

Golden Gopher Wrestling Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Saturday, Nov. 14	Bison Open	Fargo, N.D.	9 Titles
Saturday, Nov. 21	North Dakota St.	Fargo, N.D.	W, 27-12
Saturday, Nov. 21	at St. Louis Open	St. Louis, Mo.	1 Title
Saturday, Nov. 21	at Kaufman-Brand	Omaha, Neb.	3 Titles
Sunday, Nov. 29	Oklahoma State	Williams Arena	L, 21-17
Thursday, Dec. 3	at Minnesota St.	Mankato, Minn.	W, 45-0
Sunday, Dec. 13	at Oregon State	Corvallis, Ore.	W, 26-12
Sunday, Dec. 13	at Portland State	Portland, Ore.	W, 37-6
Saturday, Jan. 2	Iowa State	Williams Arena	7:30 p.m.
Sat.-Sun., Jan. 16-17	National Duals	Iowa City, Iowa	All Day
Friday, Jan. 22	Michigan	Sports Pavilion	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 24	Michigan State	Sports Pavilion	2 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 30	at Iowa	Iowa City, Iowa	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 31	at Wisconsin	Madison, Wis.	1 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 5	Illinois	Williams Arena	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 7	Ohio State	Sports Pavilion	2 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 12	Northern Iowa	Sports Pavilion	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 14	at Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.	2 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 19	at Purdue	West Lafayette, Ind.	7 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 21	at Northwestern	Evanston, Ill.	TBA
Sat.-Sun., March 6-7	at Big Tens	Ann Arbor, Mich.	TBA
Thurs.-Sat., March 18-20	at NCAAs	University Park, Pa.	TBA

1998-99 Roster

Name	Yr.	Wgt.	Hometown(High School)
Julio Alaniz	Fr.	125	Mankato, Minn. (Mankato West)
Steven Bartlett	Fr.	197	Racine, Wis. (S.I. Case)
Luke Becker	Fr.	149	Cambridge, Minn. (Cambridge)
Delaney Berger	Jr.	174	Mandan, N.D. (Mandan)
Benjamin Bly	Fr.	184	LaCrescent, Minn. (LaCrescent)
Brent Boeshans	Jr.	HWT	Beulah, N.D. (Mandan)
Joe Calavitta	Fr.	141	Yorba Linda, Calif. (Calvary Chapel)
Jacob Clark	Fr.	165	South St. Paul, Minn. (South St. Paul)
Pat Connors	Sr.	133	Longview, Wash. (R.A. Long)
Mike Cuperus	Fr.	174	Worthington, Minn. (Worthington)
Brandon Eggum	Jr.	184	Sidney, Mont. (Sidney)
Owen Elzen	Fr.	197	Eyota, Minn. (Dover-Eyota)
Chad Erikson	Fr.	141	Apple Valley, Minn. (Apple Valley)
Mike Flanagan	Fr.	HWT	St. Paul, Minn. (St. Thomas Academy)
Ty Friederichs	Jr.	141	Maple Grove, Minn. (Osseo)
Bart Golyer	Sr.	133	Cedar, Minn. (St. Francis)
Tim Hartung	Sr.	197	Durand, Wis. (Durand)
Josh Holiday	Sr.	165	Anaheim, Calif. (Calvary Chapel)
Kenneth Howard	So.	184	Mandan, N.D. (Mandan)
Chad Kraft	Sr.	157	Lakefield, Minn. (Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield)
Matt Kraft	Fr.	174	Lakefield, Minn. (Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield)
Jesse Krebs	Sr.	157	Minot, N.D. (Minot)
Josh Krebs	So.	149	Minot, N.D. (Minot)
Brett Lawrence	So.	133	Sandpoint, Idaho (Sandpoint)
Jared Lawrence	Fr.	141	Sandpoint, Idaho (Sandpoint)
Garrett Lowney	Fr.	HWT	Appleton, Wis. (Freedom)
Mitch Marr	Fr.	149	Wyoming, Minn. (Forest Lake)
Troy Marr	Sr.	149	Wyoming, Minn. (Forest Lake)
Eddie Pak	Jr.	157	Grayslake, Ill. (Grayslake)
Brad Pike	So.	149	Brownsdale, Minn. (Hayfield)
Doug Surgenor	Fr.	149	Neenah, Wis. (Neenah)
Leroy Vega	Fr.	125	Portage, Ind. (Portage)

Wrestling



to the University of Minnesota in Hartung's name. Hartung has also earned two Academic All-Big Ten awards. Other members of the wrestling All-American Farm Team include: Jeff Freidhof of Luther College, Wes Hand of Iowa and Chad Wickman of South Dakota. Honorable mention honorees include: Tim Cobb Jr. of Missouri Valley College, John Newman of St. John's University, Mark Pisoni of University of California-Davis and Chance Stoesser of Augustana College.

CLARK WINS JUNIOR DIVISION OF THE 1998 USA WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP BELT SERIES: University of Minnesota freshman Jacob Clark of St. Paul, Minn., won the Junior level Championship Belt Series with 214 points, defeating runner-up Clark Forward of Archbold, Ohio by an impressive 52 points. Junior wrestlers are athletes in grades 9-12. Clark won a gold medal at the Asics Tiger Junior Nationals in Greco-Roman and placed second in the Junior National in freestyle. He won the Most Falls Trophy in the Greco-Roman event. He was also a Southeast Regionals double champion and a Northern Plains Regional freestyle champion.

GOLDEN GOPHERS ARE NO. 2 IN LATEST RANKING: Minnesota is ranked No. 2 in the nation according to NWCA's December 16 poll. According to *Intermat*, seniors Tim Hartung, Chad Kraft and junior Brandon Eggum are all ranked No. 1 at 197, 157 and 184 respectively. Senior Josh Holiday is No. 4 at 165, junior Delaney Berger is No. 13 at 174, senior Pat Connors is ranked No. 13 at 133.

freshman Chad Erikson is ranked No. 10 at 141, freshman Leroy Vega is ranked No. 19 at 125 and senior Troy Marr is ranked 20th at 149.

NO. 1 RECRUIT SIGNS WITH MINNESOTA: The University of Minnesota wrestling program announced that Damion Hahn signed a national letter of intent to attend the University of Minnesota.

Hahn, a native of Lakewood, N.J., is the No. 1 high school wrestler in the nation at any weight class according to *Amateur Wrestling News*, *Wrestling Institute Newsmagazine*, *USA Wrestling* and the National Wrestling Coaches Association. A standout at Lakewood High School, Hahn has won two New Jersey state titles at 189 pounds. He is also a two-time Junior National Freestyle Champion and a four-time Junior Olympic champion at 178 pounds. In three years, Hahn has racked up a 94-2 overall record and has won 64 consecutive matches at Lakewood. Hahn will compete in the 184 pound weight class at Minnesota.

HARTUNG IS FINALIST FOR PRESTIGIOUS HODGE AWARD: Senior Tim Hartung, a two-time Big Ten Champion and the 1998 NCAA Champion, was named a finalist for the Dan Hodge Trophy given to the most outstanding wrestler in the college ranks. The Hodge Trophy is the equivalent to the Heisman Trophy. Hartung joins Oklahoma State's Eric Guerrero and Cal State-Bakersfield's Stephen Neal as finalists for the award. Hartung was also a Hodge Trophy award finalist last year.

UP NEXT: Minnesota will have a week off to prepare to defend its title at the Cliff Keen/N.W.C.A National Wrestling Duals Tournament at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, Iowa, January 16-17.

1998-99 Minnesota Wrestling Records

Wt.	Name	O'all	Total	Dual	Big Ten
125	Leroy Vega	6-3	6-3	2-3	0-0
	Julio Alaniz	3-1	3-1	0-0	0-0
133	Pat Connors	9-4	9-4	2-2	0-0
	Bart Golyer	8-2	8-2	1-0	0-0
	Brett Lawrence	10-2	10-2	0-0	0-0
141	Jared Lawrence	9-0	9-0	0-0	0-0
	Chad Erikson	12-2	12-2	3-0	0-0
	Ty Friederichs	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
	Joe Calavitta	7-3	7-3	2-0	0-0
149	Brad Pike	14-4	14-4	0-1	0-0
	Troy Marr	7-2	7-2	3-1	0-0
	Luke Becker	14-2	14-2	0-0	0-0
	Josh Krebs	2-1	2-1	0-0	0-0
	Doug Surgenor	2-3	2-3	0-0	0-0
	Mitch Marr	2-4	2-4	0-0	0-0
157	Chad Kraft	9-0	9-0	5-0	0-0
	Eddie Pak	3-2	3-2	0-0	0-0
165	Josh Holiday	12-1	12-1	4-0	0-0
	Jacob Clark	8-1	8-1	0-0	0-0
	Jesse Krebs	5-1	5-1	1-0	0-0
74	Delaney Berger	5-2	5-2	2-2	0-0
	Matt Kraft	4-3	4-3	0-1	0-0
	Mike Cuperus	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
184	Brandon Eggum	9-0	8-0	4-0	0-0
	Kenneth Howard	3-2	3-2	0-1	0-0
	Benjamin Bly	10-3	10-3	0-0	0-0
197	Tim Hartung	13-0	13-0	4-0	0-0
	Brandon Eggum		1-0	1-0	0-0
	Owen Elzen	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0
	Steve Bartlett	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0
HWT	Brent Boeshans	5-4	5-4	2-3	0-0
	Garrett Lowney	7-1	7-1	0-0	0-0
	Mike Flanagan	3-4	3-4	0-0	0-0
Team Totals		202-61	202-61	36-14	0-0

Team Stats: Weight-by-Weight Results

Weight	Overall Record	Overall Dual	Big Ten Dual
125	9-4	2-3	0-0
133	27-8	3-2	0-0
141	28-5	5-0	0-0
149	41-16	3-2	0-0
157	12-2	5-0	0-0
165	25-3	5-0	0-0
174	9-5	2-3	0-0
184	21-5	4-1	0-0
197	15-4	5-0	0-0
HWT	15-9	2-3	0-0
Total	202-61	36-14	0-0

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SKATE WITH THE GOPHERS SLATED FOR JANUARY 31

The University of Minnesota men's hockey program will host its annual "Skate With The Gophers" on Sunday, Jan. 31, 1999 from Noon to 3 p.m. at Mariucci Arena. The afternoon will feature the Golden Gopher hockey team, Goldy Gopher, and interactive games for fans of all ages.

Ice times must be reserved in advance by calling the Gopher Ticket Office at 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER. The ticket office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be a \$1 admission fee at the door.



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~ This Week in Gopher Sports ~

Wednesday, January 6



Basketball
 vs. Northwestern
 Williams Arena
 Midwest Sports Channel live
 WCCO Radio (830 a.m.) live
 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 9



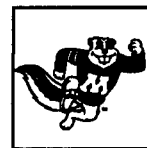
Swimming and Diving
 Gold Country Invite
 Aquatic Center
 11 a.m.

Wednesday-Sunday, Jan. 6-10



Swimming and Diving
 at All-American Diving Invite
 Austin, Texas
 All Day

Saturday, January 9



Track and Field
 Northwest Open
 UM Fieldhouse
 9 a.m.

Saturday, January 9



Basketball
 vs. Penn State
 Williams Arena
 Midwest Sports Channel live
 WCCO Radio (830 a.m.) live
 8 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 9-10



Hockey
 at Denver
 Colorado Springs, Colo.
 KSTP Radio (1500 a.m.) live
 7:05 p.m.

GOPHER HOTLINE

The Golden Gopher Hotline features daily interviews with players and coaches. 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. This service is for media use only. The schedule for this week is as follows:

Monday, January 4:
 No hotline available.

Tuesday, January 5:
 Head Basketball Coach **CLEM HASKINS'** weekly news conference.

Wednesday, January 6:
 Head Basketball Coach **CLEM HASKINS'** post-game news conference from the Northwestern game.

Thursday, January 7:
 Senior forward **MIKE ANDERSON** previews the Denver series.

Friday, January 8:
 Head Swimming and Diving Coach **DENNIS DALE** previews the Gold Country Invitational.

Saturday, January 9:
 Head Swimming and Diving Coach **DENNIS DALE** previews the Gold Country Invitational.

WEEKLY RELEASES

The University of Minnesota Men's Media Relations Office will be producing five separate releases during the 1998-99 academic year. Football, basketball, hockey and baseball information will be covered in sport-specific weekly releases, while information on "Olympic Sports" will appear each Monday in this release. Please refer any questions to the Men's Media Relations office at (612) 625-4090.

Swimming & Diving



NO. 10 GOLDEN GOPHERS HOST GOLD COUNTRY INVITATIONAL: The 10th ranked University of Minnesota Golden Gophers will host the Gold Country Invitational Saturday, Jan. 9, in the Aquatic Center. The co-ed meet features Carleton, Gustavus, Illinois-Chicago, Minnesota State University-Mankato, St. John's, St. Cloud State, St. Mary's and St. Olaf on the men's side. Last year at the Gold Country Invitational, Minnesota won 14 of 17 events to score 1,189.5 points to win the meet. The next closest team was St. Olaf with 405.5 points, followed by South Dakota, who finished third in the 10 team invitational with 276 points.

Then-freshman **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil), then-sophomore **BILL BISHOP** (Barrington, Ill.) and then-freshman **DAN CROASTON** (Champlin Park, Minn.) each won two events for the Golden Gophers in the victory.

CROASTON AND HILLSLEY TO COMPETE IN ALL-AMERICAN DIVING INVITE: Sophomore Dan Croaston and freshman **SHANE HILLSLEY** (Longmont, Colo.) will compete in the All-American Diving Invite from Wed.-Sun., Jan. 6-10 in Austin, Texas.

CROASTON TAKES FOURTH DURING WINTER TRAINING TRIP: University of Minnesota sophomore Dan Croaston, of Champlin, Minn., took fourth place in both the one and three meter diving competitions against the University of Miami and Ohio State University during Minnesota's annual diving winter training trip in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Croaston scored 309.70 points to finish fourth in the three meter, behind Imre Lengyel of Miami in first with 377, Stefan Ahrens of Miami in second with 374.20 and Rio Romirez of Miami in third with 347.15.

Croaston scored 289.10 points in the one meter diving competition for fourth place behind three divers from Miami. Rio Romirez of Miami took first place with 355.25 points, Stefan Ahrens was second with 329.45 and Imre Lengyel of Miami was third with 294.35 points.

Freshman Shane Hillsley placed sixth in the one meter with 222.60 points and also finished sixth in the three meter with 208.55 points.

UP NEXT: The Golden Gophers will host the University of Nebraska, Saturday, Jan. 16 at 1 p.m. in the Aquatic Center for a dual meet.

Scoreboard

GOLDEN GOPHER SCHEDULE

Oct. 31	Northwestern	W, 178-120
Nov. 6-7	Quad Duals North Carolina South Carolina Pittsburgh	L, 206.5-161.5 W, 246.5-123.5 W, 270-100
Nov. 13-14	Big 10 All-Stars vs. USA	No Team Scores
Nov. 20-22	Minnesota Invitational	W, 1,098.5 pts.
Dec. 13-24	Winter Training Trip	Hawaii
Jan. 6-10	All-American Diving Invite	Austin, Texas
Jan. 9	Gold Country Invitational	Aquatic Center
Jan. 16	Nebraska	Aquatic Center
Jan. 22-23	Dallas Morning News Invite	Dallas, Texas
Jan. 29-30	Triple Duals	West Lafayette, Ind.
Feb. 5-6	Minnesota Challenge	Aquatic Center
Feb. 25-27	Big Ten Championships	Bloomington, Ind.
March 7	Go-Pher-It Invitational	Aquatic Center
March 12-13	NCAA Diving Zone	Bloomington, Ind.
March 25-27	NCAA Championships	Indianapolis, Ind.

1998-99 Roster

Name	Yr.	Hometown
Ryan Ayres	So.	Lilburn, Ga.
Ben Bartell	Fr.	Grafton, Wis.
Bill Bishop	Jr.	Barrington, Ill.
Blair Buccicone	Fr.	Rochester, Minn.
Grant Butler	So.	West Bend, Wis.
John Cahoy	Sr.	Hudson, Wis.
Dan Croaston	So.	Champlin, Minn.
Brandon Crook	Fr.	Omaha, Neb.
Ryan Crosby	Jr.	River Falls, Wis.
Travis Crow	Fr.	Sheboygan, Wis.
Ricardo Dornelas	Fr.	Jacaraibe Serra E.S, Brazil
Nick Early	Fr.	Red Wing, Minn.
Chris Forrest	Fr.	Appleton, Wis.
Regan Foster	Fr.	Eagan, Minn.
Adam Frankow	Jr.	Shelby, Ohio
Oscar Godoi	Jr.	Sao Jose do Rio Preto, Brazil
Shane Hillsley	Fr.	Longmont, Colo.
Scott Holbrook	Fr.	Rosemount, Minn.
Brian Howard	Jr.	Shawnee Mission, Kan.
Chad Krastins	Fr.	Apple Valley, Minn.
Luis Lopez	Sr.	Aurora, Colo.
Dove Malnik	Fr.	Rishon le-Zion, Israel
Alexandre Massura	So.	Sao Paulo, Brazil
Jonathan McLeod	Sr.	Regina, Sask., Canada
Yoav Meiri	Jr.	Reute, Israel
Jeff Miller	Sr.	Brookfield, Wis.
Marc-Phillippe Piche	Fr.	Saginaw, Mich.
Brian Porter	Fr.	Omaha, Neb.
Stelios Sardelas	Sr.	Athens, Greece
Brandon Schindler	Jr.	Saratoga, Calif.
Tim Sheely	So.	Schaumburg, Ill.
Gary Taylor	Jr.	Shorewood, Minn.
Jeremy Witikko	Sr.	Hastings, Minn.
Martin Zielinski	Sr.	Bloomington, Minn.

Track & Field



MINNESOTA MEN'S TRACK TEAM STARTS OFF 1999 SEASON WITH THE NORTHWEST OPEN: The University of Minnesota men's track and field team is set to start off the 1999 season by hosting the Northwest Open on Saturday, Jan. 9, 1999 at the University of Minnesota Fieldhouse starting at 9:00 a.m.

WHAT HAPPENED LAST YEAR: 1998 turned out to be a banner year for the Golden Gopher Track and Field Team.

Head Coach Phil Lundin and his team accomplished something that no other Minnesota track and field team has done since 1968. They won a Big Ten title in both the indoor and outdoor track and field seasons. Lundin was honored for those accomplishments by being named Big Ten Coach of the Year for both the indoor and outdoor seasons.

During the indoor season, Minnesota utilized its depth to unseat three-time defending champion Wisconsin at the Big Ten Championships held in West Lafayette, Ind. **STAFFAN STRAND** (Uppsland Vasby, Sweden) won the indoor high jump title by tying his Big Ten Champion meet record jump of 7-4 1/2. **BENJAMIN JENSEN** (Mandal, Norway) also captured a title for the Maroon and Gold when he won his second straight heptathlon title.

During the outdoor season, the Golden Gophers also ended Wisconsin's reign at the Big Ten Outdoor Championships when they took their second title of the year in Columbus, Ohio. Minnesota finished with 134.50 points to Wisconsin's 120 points. Fred Rodgers paced the Golden Gophers by winning his first Big Ten title in the 100-meter dash.

"There was no other feeling like," said junior **FRED RODGERS** (Hamilton, Ohio). "It was great to win the 100-meter in my home state and in the last track event at Ohio Stadium."

Now as the Golden Gophers enter the 1999 season, the task at hand is to successfully defend their titles. With the return of Strand, Jensen and Rodgers, as well as numerous other talented runners, throwers and jumpers, Coach Lundin feels that another Big Ten title is well within their reach.

"It's going to be a daunting task to try and follow up the success of last year," Coach Lundin said. "But if we can keep everyone happy and injury-free, I think we'll definitely be in the hunt for another title."

Scoreboard

1998-99 Indoor Schedule

January

Sat. Jan. 9	Northwest Open	UM Fieldhouse
Sat. Jan. 16	Badger Classic	Madison, Wis.
Sat. Jan. 23	Iowa, Wisconsin	UM Fieldhouse
Sat. Jan. 30	Minnesota Invite	UM Field house

February

Feb. 5-6	Iowa State Classic	Ames, Iowa
Feb. 12	Snowshoe Invitational	UM Fieldhouse
Feb. 20-21	Big Ten Indoor Championships	Madison, Wis.
Feb. 27	NCAA Qualifying Meet	Ames, Iowa

March

Mar. 5-6	NCAA Indoor Championships	Indianapolis, Ind.
Mar. 26-27	Arizona Invitational	Tempe, Ariz.

Gopher Flashes

1998-99 Outdoor Schedule

April

Apr. 2-3	Texas Relays	Austin, Texas
Apr. 3	Macalester	St. Paul, Minn.
Apr 9-10	Sea Ray Relays	Knoxville, Tenn.
Apr. 10	Hamline	St. Paul, Minn.
Apr. 15-18	Mt. Sac Decathlon	Walnut, Calif.
Apr. 16-17	Iowa Open	Iowa City, Iowa
Apr. 23-24	Drake Relays	Des Moines, Iowa

May

May 1	Minnesota Classic	Bierman Field
May 2	Jesse Owens Classic	Columbus, Ohio
May 7	Stanford Invitational	Palo Alto, Calif.
May 8	Maroon and Gold Open	Bierman Field
May 15	Fishing Opener Open	Bierman Field
May 21-23	Big Ten Outdoor	West Lafayette, Ind.

June

June 2-5	NCAA Outdoor	Boise, Idaho
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Wrestling



MINNESOTA'S MEET WITH IOWA STATE POSTPONED DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS: The University of Minnesota and Iowa State wrestling match was postponed due to severe winter weather conditions in Iowa. The match will be rescheduled at a later date and time.

GOLYER, LAWRENCE AND CALAVITTA COMPETE AT THE MIDLANDS CHAMPIONSHIPS: Senior **BART GOLYER** (Cedar, Minn.) took fourth place at the Midlands Championships in Evanston, Ill. Golyer defeated Dale Eggert of Wildcat WC 5-1 in the first round at 133. He then went on to lose to Roman Fleszar of Hofstra 7-3 in the second round, but won six matches before losing to Jay Vesperman of Central Michigan 3-0 to finish fourth. Sophomore **BRETT LAWRENCE** (Sandpoint, Idaho) lost in the second round also at 133 pounds. Lawrence defeated Steve Mlynzreczyk of Chicago, 12-1 also in the first round at 133 pounds. Pat McNamara of Michigan State then defeated Lawrence 10-2 in the second round. In the consolation round, Lawrence defeated Tim Brosnan of Lehigh, 12-2, but lost to Jason Nashbaum of Michigan State 6-4. Freshman **JOE CALAVITTA** (Yorba Linda, Calif.) was defeated in the preliminary round 8-4 by Mark Perryman of Arizona State. He then went on to defeat Aaron Paterson of Lehigh 9-2 in the consolation round before losing to Jon Archuleta of Cal-Bakersfield 17-0. Former Golden Gopher wrestler Shelton Benjamin also competed at heavyweight unattached at the Midlands. Benjamin pinned Cedric More of UNC Greensboro in 2:42 in the first round. He then went on to defeat Seth Charles of Cornell 18-5 in the

second round. In the third match of the night, Benjamin was pinned by Angelo Borzio of NYAC in 4:51.

NO. 2 MINNESOTA WINS TWO DUAL MEETS IN OREGON: The No. 2 ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team defeated No. 10 Oregon State 26-12 at Gill Coliseum in Corvallis, Ore. Minnesota claimed six of the 10 matches to defeat the Beavers. Senior **JOSH HOLIDAY** (Anaheim, Calif.), ranked No. 4 in the country, started Minnesota off with a 14-4 major decision victory over Isaac Wood at 165. No. 1 ranked junior **BRANDON EGGUM** (Sidney, Mont.) defeated Isaac Weber 16-5 at 184. Senior **TIM HARTUNG** (Durand, Wis.), ranked No. 1 in the nation, defeated sixth-ranked Shane Zajac with a technical fall decision in 6:45. At 125, freshman **LEROY VEGA** (Portage, Ind.) defeated Nathan Navarro with a major decision score of 14-6. Freshman **CHAD ERIKSON** (Apple Valley, Minn.), ranked No. 11 in the nation, pinned Shane Cunanan in just 0:21 seconds to earn the Golden Gophers six points at 141 pounds. Sophomore **BRAD PIKE** (Brownsdale, Minn.) lost a close match to No. 1 ranked Oscar Wood with a 4-3 decision at 149 and senior **CHAD KRAFT** (Lakefield, Minn.), ranked No. 1 in the nation, defeated No. 15 ranked Eric Jorgensen 7-6 to clinch the victory.

The No. 2 ranked Golden Gophers defeated Portland State 37-6 at Stott Center in Portland, Ore. Minnesota won matches to defeat the Vikings and improve its dual meet record to 4-1. Senior Chad Kraft, ranked No. 1 in the nation, pinned Derek Smith in 4:13 to earn Minnesota six points to start off the match at 157. Following him, senior Josh Holiday, ranked fourth in the country, defeated R. J. Gillespie 14-5 at 165 pounds. No. 1 ranked junior Brandon Eggum defeated Lonnie Eggert 16-7 at 184 and senior Tim Hartung, also ranked No. 1 at 197, earned his seventh pin of the season over Adam Thomas in 2:46. Also winning for Minnesota at 133 was senior Pat Connors with a 18-5 major decision, freshman Joe Calavitta with a 24-10 major decision over Casey Hunt at 141 and senior **TROY MARR** (Wyoming, Minn.) with a 9-3 decision over Brad Galletes at 149.

Scoreboard

Golden Gopher Wrestling Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Saturday, Nov. 14	Bison Open	Fargo, N.D.	9 Titles
Saturday, Nov. 21	North Dakota St.	Fargo, N.D.	W, 27-12
Saturday, Nov. 21	at St. Louis Open	St. Louis, Mo.	1 Title
Saturday, Nov. 21	at Kaufman-Brand	Omaha, Neb.	3 Titles
Sunday, Nov. 29	Oklahoma State	Williams Arena	L, 21-17
Thursday, Dec. 3	at Minnesota St.	Mankato, Minn.	W, 45-0
Sunday, Dec. 13	at Oregon State	Corvallis, Ore.	W, 26-12
Sunday, Dec. 13	at Portland State	Portland, Ore.	W, 37-6
Saturday, Jan. 2	Iowa State	Williams Arena	Postponed
Sat.-Sun., Jan. 16-17	National Duals	Iowa City, Iowa	All Day
Friday, Jan. 22	Michigan	Sports Pavilion	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 24	Michigan State	Sports Pavilion	2 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 30	at Iowa	Iowa City, Iowa	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 31	at Wisconsin	Madison, Wis.	1 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 5	Illinois	Williams Arena	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 7	Ohio State	Sports Pavilion	2 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 12	Northern Iowa	Sports Pavilion	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 14	at Nebraska	Lincoln, Neb.	2 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 19	at Purdue	West Lafayette, Ind.	7 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 21	at Northwestern	Evanston, Ill.	TBA
Sat.-Sun., March 6-7	at Big Tens	Ann Arbor, Mich.	TBA
Thurs.-Sat., March 18-20	at NCAAs	University Park, Pa.	TBA

1998-99 Roster

Name	Yr.	Wgt.	Hometown(High School)
Julio Alaniz	Fr.	125	Mankato, Minn. (Mankato West)
Steven Bartlett	Fr.	197	Racine, Wis. (S.I. Case)
Luke Becker	Fr.	179	Cambridge, Minn. (Cambridge)
Delaney Berger	Jr.	144	Mandan, N.D. (Mandan)
Benjamin Bly	Fr.	184	LaCrescent, Minn. (LaCrescent)
Brent Boeshans	Jr.	HWT	Beulah, N.D. (Mandan)
Joe Calavitta	Fr.	141	Yorba Linda, Calif. (Calvary Chapel)
Jacob Clark	Fr.	165	South St. Paul, Minn. (South St. Paul)
Pat Connors	Sr.	133	Longview, Wash. (R.A. Long)
Mike Cuperus	Fr.	174	Worthington, Minn. (Worthington)
Brandon Eggum	Jr.	184	Sidney, Mont. (Sidney)
Owen Elzen	Fr.	197	Eyota, Minn. (Dover-Eyota)
Chad Erikson	Fr.	141	Apple Valley, Minn. (Apple Valley)
Mike Flanagan	Fr.	HWT	St. Paul, Minn. (St. Thomas Academy)
Ty Friederichs	Jr.	141	Maple Grove, Minn. (Osseo)
Bart Golyer	Sr.	133	Cedar, Minn. (St. Francis)
Tim Hartung	Sr.	197	Durand, Wis. (Durand)
Josh Holiday	Sr.	165	Anaheim, Calif. (Calvary Chapel)
Kenneth Howard	So.	184	Mandan, N.D. (Mandan)
Chad Kraft	Sr.	157	Lakefield, Minn. (Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield)
Matt Kraft	Fr.	174	Lakefield, Minn. (Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield)
Jesse Krebs	Sr.	157	Minot, N.D. (Minot)
Josh Krebs	So.	149	Minot, N.D. (Minot)
Brett Lawrence	So.	133	Sandpoint, Idaho (Sandpoint)
Jared Lawrence	Fr.	141	Sandpoint, Idaho (Sandpoint)
Brock Lesnar	Jr.	HWT	Webster, S.D. (Bismarck JC)
Garrett Lowney	Fr.	HWT	Appleton, Wis. (Freedom)
Mitch Marr	Fr.	149	Wyoming, Minn. (Forest Lake)
Troy Marr	Sr.	149	Wyoming, Minn. (Forest Lake)
Eddie Pak	Jr.	157	Grayslake, Ill. (Grayslake)
Brad Pike	So.	149	Brownsdale, Minn. (Hayfield)
Doug Surgenor	Fr.	149	Neenah, Wis. (Neenah)
Leroy Vega	Fr.	125	Portage, Ind. (Portage)

Wrestling



CLARK WINS JUNIOR DIVISION OF THE 1998 USA WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP BELT SERIES:

University of Minnesota freshman Jacob Clark of St. Paul, Minn., won the Junior Level Championship Belt Series with 214 points, defeating runner-up Clark Forward of Archbold, Ohio by an impressive 52 points. Junior wrestlers are athletes in grades 9-12. Clark won a gold medal at the Asics Tiger Junior Nationals in Greco-Roman and placed second in the Junior National in freestyle. He won the Most Falls Trophy in the Greco-Roman event. He was also a Southeast Regionals double champion and a Northern Plains Regional freestyle champion.

GOLDEN GOPHERS ARE NO. 2 IN LATEST RANKING:

Minnesota is ranked No. 2 in the nation according to NWCAs December 16 poll. According to *Intermat*, seniors Tim Hartung, Chad Kraft and junior Brandon Eggum are all ranked No. 1 at 197, 157 and 184, respectively. Senior Josh Holiday is No. 4 at 165, junior Delaney Berger is No. 13 at 174, senior Pat Connors is ranked No. 13 at 133, freshman Chad Erikson is ranked No. 10 at 141, freshman Leroy Vega is ranked No. 19 at 125 and senior Troy Marr is ranked 20th at 149.

NO. 1 RECRUIT SIGNS WITH MINNESOTA: The University of Minnesota wrestling program announced that Damion Hahn signed a national letter of intent to attend the University of Minnesota.

Hahn, a native of Lakewood, N.J., is the No. 1 high school wrestler

in the nation at any weight class according to *Amateur Wrestling News*, *Wrestling Institute Newsmagazine*, *USA Wrestling* and the National Wrestling Coaches Association. A standout at Lakewood High School, Hahn has won two New Jersey state titles at 189 pounds. He is also a two-time Junior National Freestyle Champion and a four-time Junior Olympic champion at 178 pounds. In three years, Hahn has racked up a 94-2 overall record and has won 64 consecutive matches at Lakewood. Hahn will compete in the 184 pound weight class at Minnesota.

HARTUNG IS FINALIST FOR PRESTIGIOUS HODGE AWARD:

Senior Tim Hartung, a two-time Big Ten Champion and the 1998 NCAA Champion, was named a finalist for the Dan Hodge Trophy given to the most outstanding wrestler in the college ranks. The Hodge Trophy is the equivalent to the Heisman Trophy. Hartung joins Oklahoma State's Eric Guerrero and Cal State-Bakersfield's Stephen Neal as finalists for the award. Hartung was also a Hodge Trophy award finalist last year.

UP NEXT: Minnesota will have a week off to prepare to defend its title at the Cliff Keen/N.W.C.A National Wrestling Duals Tournament at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, Iowa, January 16-17.

1998-99 Minnesota Wrestling Records

Wt.	Name	O'all	Total	Dual	Big Ten
125	Leroy Vega	6-3	6-3	2-3	0-0
	Julio Alaniz	3-1	3-1	0-0	0-0
133	Pat Connors	9-4	9-4	2-2	0-0
	Bart Golyer	14-4	14-4	1-0	0-0
	Brett Lawrence	12-4	12-4	0-0	0-0
141	Jared Lawrence	9-0	9-0	0-0	0-0
	Chad Erikson	12-2	12-2	3-0	0-0
	Ty Friederichs	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
	Joe Calavitta	8-5	8-5	2-0	0-0
149	Brad Pike	14-4	14-4	0-1	0-0
	Troy Marr	7-2	7-2	3-1	0-0
	Luke Becker	14-2	14-2	0-0	0-0
	Josh Krebs	2-1	2-1	0-0	0-0
	Doug Surgenor	2-3	2-3	0-0	0-0
	Mitch Marr	2-4	2-4	0-0	0-0
157	Chad Kraft	9-0	9-0	5-0	0-0
	Eddie Pak	3-2	3-2	0-0	0-0
165	Josh Holiday	12-1	12-1	4-0	0-0
	Jacob Clark	8-1	8-1	0-0	0-0
	Jesse Krebs	5-1	5-1	1-0	0-0
74	Delaney Berger	5-2	5-2	2-2	0-0
	Matt Kraft	4-3	4-3	0-1	0-0
	Mike Cuperus	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
184	Brandon Eggum	9-0	8-0	4-0	0-0
	Kenneth Howard	3-2	3-2	0-1	0-0
	Benjamin Bly	10-3	10-3	0-0	0-0
197	Tim Hartung	13-0	13-0	4-0	0-0
	Brandon Eggum		1-0	1-0	0-0
	Owen Elzen	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0
	Steve Bartlett	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0
HWT	Brent Boeshans	5-4	5-4	2-3	0-0
	Garrett Lowney	7-1	7-1	0-0	0-0
	Mike Flanagan	3-4	3-4	0-0	0-0
Team Totals		213-67	213-67	36-14	0-0

Team Stats: Weight-by-Weight Results

Weight	Overall Record	Overall Dual	Big Ten Dual
125	9-4	2-3	0-0
133	37-12	3-2	0-0
141	29-7	5-0	0-0
149	41-16	3-2	0-0
157	12-2	5-0	0-0
165	25-3	5-0	0-0
174	9-5	2-3	0-0
184	21-5	4-1	0-0
197	15-4	5-0	0-0
HWT	15-9	2-3	0-0
Total	213-67	36-14	0-0