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## BAUER COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL FIRST SEASON AS GOPHER SETTER

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Frosh setter Becky Bauer made an immediate impact in her first season at Minnesota, starting in all 36 matches for the maroon and gold. After just one season, Bauer is fourth on the career assists list at Minnesota and is second on the single season assist list with 1,641 career assists. Sharon Oesterling holds the single season record with 1,725.

Bauer recorded a season-high 69 assists twice during the season, including the final match of the season against Cal State-Northridge. She compiled 15 matches of 50 or more assists during the season and had a season and career high 22 digs against Michigan State on Oct. 15. Bauer averaged 12.72 assists per game and was fourth in the Big Ten in assist per game.

A 1994 graduate of Bloomington-Jefferson High, Bauer was named to the all-tournament team at the Minnesota Classic in September after helping guide the Gophers to the championship of that tournament. She recorded 58 block assists and seven block solos during the season and was second on the team in service aces with 47.

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## DAHL CONCLUDES CAREER WITH MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Senior middle blocker Gretchen Dahl completed her successful Gopher career by contributing to the success of the 1994 Minnesota squad. Dahl closed out her career second on the all-time block assists list with 366 and tied for fifth in total career blocks with 365.

A 1994 cocaptain, Dahl recorded a career high 12 block assists against Cal State-Northridge in the final match of her career. She had eight block assists against Oregon State and Sam Houston State in the two previous matches. Dahl holds the Minnesota record for block assists in a season with 125, set last year.

A graduate of Holy Angels High School, Dahl averaged 1.65 kills per game and 2.06 kills per game. She had 10 or more digs in six matches this season, with 19 against Penn State on Oct. 28. She was named to the academic all-Big Ten team for the third consecutive year.

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## DEDECKER COMPLETES SOPHOMORE SEASON WITH MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Sophomore outside hitter Katrien DeDecker completed a successful season as a Gopher volleyball player, appearing in all 36 of Minnesota's matches in 1994.

DeDecker led the Gophers in kills with 3.83 per game and moved into ninth place on the all-time career kills list with 991 in just two years. She is just nine kills away from becoming only the ninth player in Gopher history to record better than 1,000 career kills. She had a total of 418 kills in 1994. DeDecker hit a career-high .478 against Northern Arizona with 12 kills and one error in 23 attempts. She also recorded career highs with eight service aces against Wisconsin and 15 digs against the Badgers.

A native of Bredene, Belgium, DeDecker hit over .300 in nine matches in 1994 and had a season-high 24 kills against Michigan State on Oct. 15. She was named to the all-tournament team of the Minnesota Classic in September and she led or tied team match highs in kills in 20 of Minnesota's 36 matches last season.

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## FIAMENGO COMPLETES SOPHOMORE SEASON WITH MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Sophomore outside hitter Tara Fiamengo completed a successful season as a Gopher volleyball player, appearing in 29 of Minnesota's 36 matches this season.

Fiamengo averaged 1.45 kills per game and recorded a career high 17 kills at Northwestern on Nov. 19, besting her previous best of 11 against Wisconsin one match before. She also had career highs in attempts (42) against Northwestern, hitting percentage (.500) vs. Michigan and digs (8) vs. Michigan State. Fiamengo also served as the team's backup setter for part of the season. She has played every position for the Gophers during her two-year career.

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## FOESCH COMPLETES JUNIOR SEASON WITH MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Junior outside hitter Heidi Foesch completed a successful season as a Gopher volleyball player, appearing in 32 of Minnesota's 36 matches in 1994.

Foesch recorded 81 kills in 1994, including a season high 12 against Northern Arizona in September. She also had a season best 11 digs against Northern Arizona. Another top performance for Foesch in 1994 was at Michigan State, where she had 10 kills and 17 digs.

A graduate of Buffalo-Lake Hector High, Foesch was a 1994 academic all-Big Ten selection.

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## LOUREY COMPLETES FINAL SEASON WITH MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Senior outside hitter Brigitte Lourey completed a successful season as a Gopher volleyball player, appearing in 35 of Minnesota's 36 matches in 1994.

Lourey was a part-time starter for the Gophers in 1994 after playing for three years at the University of Wisconsin. She finished her senior year at Minnesota with 103 kills and 216 digs. Lourey recorded a season high 10 kills twice, first against #20 Duke in September and again against Cal State-Northridge in the final match of her career.

A graduate of Columbia Heights High, Lourey had five matches with double figure kills and recorded a career high 24 digs against Duke.

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## OLHAUSEN COMPLETES JUNIOR SEASON WITH MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Junior outside hitter Heidi Olhausen completed a successful season as a Gopher volleyball player, setting a new school record for block assists in a season with 126. She topped senior Gretchen Dahl's 1993 season record of 125.

Olhausen started all 36 matches for the Gophers this season and led Minnesota in block assists (126) and digs (309). She finished third on the team in kills (373), attacks (902), aces (37) and block solos (13). She hit .253 for the season, the best of her career. Olhausen recorded 24 matches with double figure kills, including a season-high 18 against Oregon State in the National Invitational Volleyball Championships. She recorded a career-high 23 digs against Fresno State in September.

A graduate of Lakeville High School, Olhausen was named to the all-tournament team at the Minnesota Classic and was an academic all-Big Ten selection in 1994.

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## PASSER COMPLETES FIRST YEAR WITH GOPHER VOLLEYBALL

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Frosh outside hitter Jane Passer recently completed a successful first season at the University of Minnesota, appearing in 30 of the Gophers' 36 matches in 1994.

Passer made several starts for the Gophers in the early part of the season and finished the year with 75 kills and 95 digs. She had a career high 12 kills and 13 digs while hitting .346 against Fresno State on Sept. 16. She followed that performance with matches of five, seven and seven kills. Her season high hitting percentage was .455 against North Carolina in early September.

A 1994 graduate of United South Central High School in Wells, Minn., Passer averaged 1.14 kills per game and 1.44 digs per game. She was one of only two frosh on the 1994 squad.

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## SCHINTZ CONCLUDES CAREER WITH MINNESOTA VOLLEYBALL

(Minneapolis, Minn.) — Senior middle hitter Jean Schintz ended her Minnesota career with a flourish after being named to the all-Big Ten first team. A 1994 cocaptain, Schintz worked her way up through the record books in several categories. She closed out her four-year career as a Gopher tied for fifth on the all-time kills list with 1,250 kills, tied for fifth in career block assists with 307, third in career service aces (223) and fifth in career digs (1040). Schintz finished the 1994 season with a hitting percentage of .316, good for sixth on the single-season list.

Schintz started in all 36 of Minnesota's matches in 1994 and led the Gophers in service aces (56) and hitting percentage (.316). She was second on the team in kills (418), attempts (927) and digs (302). She set a Minnesota varsity record for hitting percentage when she hit .818 (9-0-11) against New Mexico State at the Sun Devil Challenge in Tempe, Ariz. in September.

A graduate of White Bear Lake High, Schintz was named the most valuable player of the Minnesota Classic and was named to the all-tournament team at the National Invitational Volleyball Championship in Kansas City, Mo. Dec. 2-4. She finished in double figure kills in 25 of 38 matches in 1994 and tied a career high with 21 kills against Michigan State in October.

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Wakefield started for the Gophers at middle blocker during part of the season and finished the year with 158 kills for a 1.76 kill per game average. Her 62 block assists was fourth-best on the team. Wakefield set a career best with 13 kills and 28 swings against George Washington in early September and had a career mark with 13 digs against Arizona State the next night.

A graduate of Edward Clark High in Las Vegas, Nev., Wakefield hit a career high .571 in three matches during the 1994 season.

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