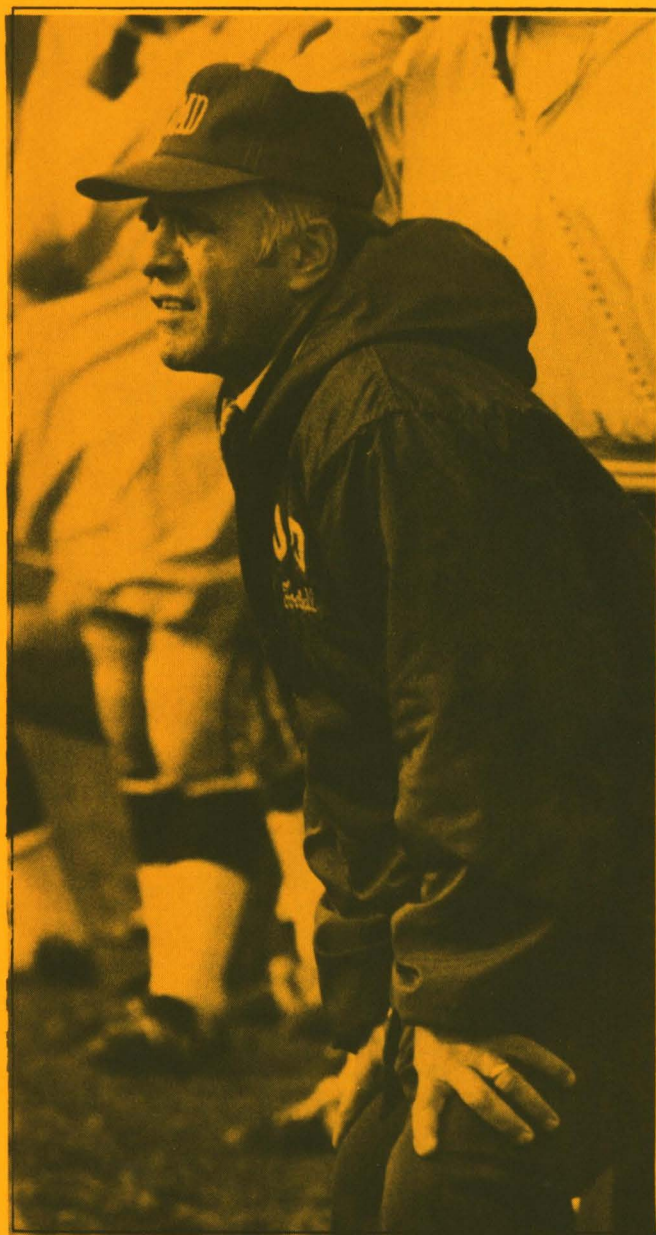


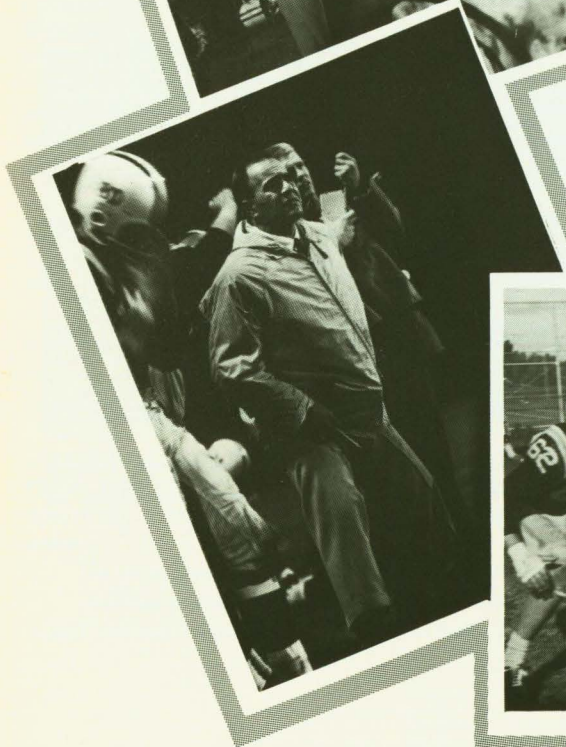
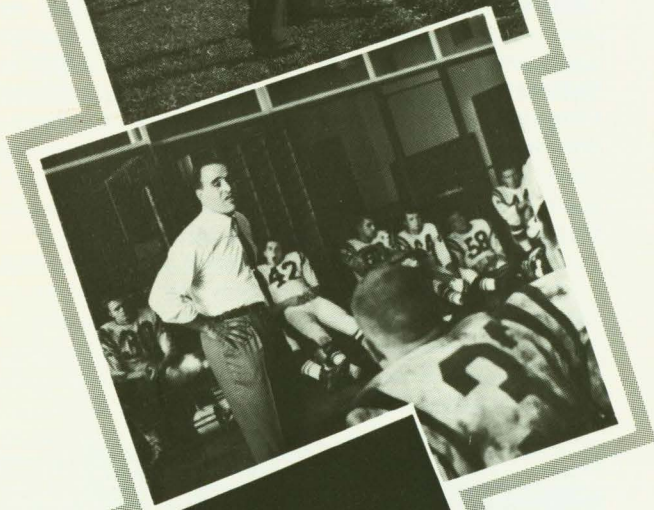
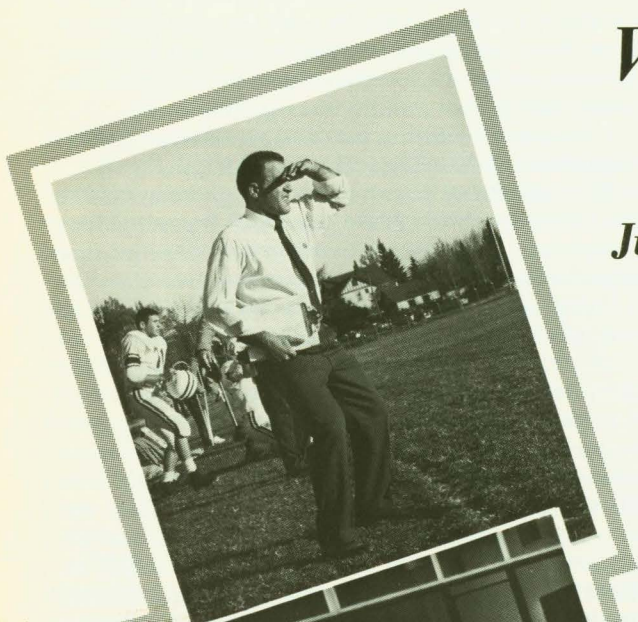
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Jim Malosky: a living legend

The stories, of course, are the stuff of legends and that's really what Malosky is in Duluth now, a legend.

A legend in his own time.

Sifting back through the 25 years you begin to understand why. When his appointment as UMD football coach was announced in April, 1958, Reidar Lund wrote in his column in the Duluth News-Tribune: "Here is a young man, a graduate of the University of Minnesota, who is destined . . . to go a long way in his profession." All the way from Public Schools Stadium, where the Bulldogs played home games when he signed on, to Griggs Field, their present on-campus home, with no stops in between.

Twenty-five years isn't really a long way, it is a long time. People don't stay in the same place 25 years, at least not people in the coaching profession, but Malosky has. The Bulldogs have been the richer for it.

When he arrived in town he was single and, indeed, in a story on the forthcoming Leap Year in 1960 the News-Tribune decreed him one of the community's most eligible bachelors. The lovely Lilah Bendickson of Thief River Falls was equal to the challenge and they've raised their family—three girls and a boy—these years in Duluth. "We like Duluth," Malosky says simply. "We have great educational facilities here and it is a great place to raise a family."

It's his football face that people know best. His demeanor is intense. Vocal. Dedicated. Highly organized. Never relaxed. Always worried. They all describe him.

"'Mo' gets a little wild once in awhile, but we respond to his personality. He gets on us, but he makes us believe in ourselves," says Amory Bodin, one of his former players and captain of the unbeaten, untied 1980 Bulldogs.

Malosky describes his own approach to football thusly:

"You have to be yourself. You have to get your own style across to your team," he tells students in his coaching classes at UMD.

His style is simple. Very basic, power football. Error-free, percentage football.

Etched in the memories of Bulldog football—watchers over the years, of course, is the familiar Malosky prowl along the sidelines on fall Saturdays, the gestures, the snarls and, of course, his familiar "squat"—hands on his knees, legs apart, crouched forward—as he views the play, a stance, presumably, not unlike that he used as a blocking back for the Minnesota Gophers in the late 40s. The "squat" is as much a part of Griggs Field as the goalposts.

He has been known, too, to hurl an occasional epithet in the direction of an official who has made a

call—or a non-call—that doesn't please him. And there has been many a Bulldog who has shrunked toward the bench, hoping to melt into the crowd of players there so as to avoid his wrath over a missed tackle, missed block, fumble, blown coverage or one of many things that can go wrong.

A winning tradition, too, is part of what he has wrought for the Bulldogs. But it wasn't always so.

When Malosky coached his first game at UMD it was against Superior State, now UW-Superior. The battleground was Superior Memorial Field, now Haugrud Field. In 1958 both benches were on the west side of the field, with an imaginary line at midfield separating the team areas.

Mertz Mortorelli, then as now the Yellowjackets' coach, recalls with amusement an incident that evening: "It was well into the second half and we were desperately trying to stop a UMD drive into our territory. The sequence of plays was moving from UMD's end of the field, past their bench, past our bench and toward our goal line. Bill Finn was my assistant then and was with me on the sidelines. Between the two of us we were trying to come up with something to stop them. I was hollering at my defensive captain and then over my shoulder to Bill. Then I turned again to say something to Bill and it wasn't Bill Finn at all. I'm staring right at Jim Malosky—in the middle of OUR bench area!"

Things got a little sticky and Malosky and Finn



In one of his most gratifying moments, Coach Malosky is hoisted onto his players' shoulders in celebration of another championship!

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By Bruce Bennett

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nearly got into a fistfight before the UMD coach, sweating profusely, sputtering and spitting, retreated to the sanctity of his own bench area. What had happened was that the rookie coach had become so engrossed in his team's play that he had moved right along the sidelines with them, right into enemy territory, exhorting them as only he can.

"Yeah, I got a little excited that night," Malosky recalled years later. "But I wasn't listening to whatever Mertz and Bill were telling their players. I was too busy yelling at my own guys."

UMD lost that night, 14-6, but two weeks later posted their first triumph under the new coach, 22-6, over Hamline. It was to be the first of many. Very many.

Malosky, of course, is a great needler. "Probably the best around," says former Bulldog center Scott Hanna, who now serves as UMD's baseball coach and a Malosky assistant during the fall. "Most of the time he'll be yelling for no apparent reason. Or maybe just to get the troops loose."

There's a fun 'n games side to the coach too. While he is a heckler, he is also a target for the barbs of his assistants. Hanna is the perpetrator of many of the tricks. The coaches locker room in the basement of the UMD Phy Ed. Building is usually the playground.

"One of the best was a couple years ago," recalled Hanna, holding back a chuckle at the remembrance. "My dad had caught about an eight-pound northern and I took the head and put a tongue depressor in its mouth and stuck it on the shelf in his locker. When he opened the locker, there was this big fish staring at him. Kind of our version of Jaws. Nobody got near him for a week. His locker smelled just like a sardine can."

Another time Malosky wore a new pair of over-shoes. "You know, the kind you haven't seen since the seventh grade, with big buckles on them," says Hanna. "He was so proud of those boots... 'tinglies,' we called them. John Economos (also an assistant then) and I nailed them to a board on top of his locker. He came in and tried to pick them up... well, he was pretty cross with us for about a week."

Hanna, is not the only prankster around. Neil Ladsten, his line coach and the Bulldogs' wrestling mentor, has had a hand in the hijinks, too. He likes to bug Malosky with little things, especially when he's rushing between classes. Like maybe putting adhesive tape around the combination lock on his locker, then smearing vaseline over that and maybe spraying it all with Right Guard—just a big, gooey mess.

Such is life in the Bulldog inner sanctum.

Malosky credits two men, his Crosby-Ironton High School football coach Herman Woock, and

Bernie Bierman, the legendary Gopher coach, for his coaching philosophy. "Herman taught me discipline, hard work," he says. "He was a worker himself. He coached everything at Crosby. I respected him. And Bernie taught me the fine points of the game—how to do the little things well. You can learn the offenses and defenses from any book, but I guess I got most of my coaching philosophy from those two."

"There's nobody at school who puts in a harder day than 'Mo,'" says Don Roach, the trainer. Work is the ethic by which he coaches his teams. They may not be flashy, but they are sound fundamentally. They play basic, hard-nosed football. Always have.

"Hard work will overcome a lot of deficiencies," he says. "That alone won't do it all, but it will help make a team respectable. You always hope going into a year if you work hard you'll win all your games. It doesn't always work out that way, but you have to think that."

Only once, in 1980, when the Bulldogs went 10-0 and won the Northern Intercollegiate Conference championship, has a Malosky team gone unbeaten and untied. It was the first time in the school's history, too.

"It was a lot of fun that year," he says, "because it was a challenge. When you have a group like we did then—a group that is above average in intelligence and skills—you can expand things. We're a basic team, but that year we were much more sophisticated. We did a lot of things people didn't notice. Our blocking schemes were more complicated, the team adapted well to situations and played with remarkable consistency. We had very few 'down periods' that season. We seldom gave up the ball in our own territory."

Like all college coaches Malosky's teams turn over every four years. "That's the difficult part," he says, "replacing the talent. Like right now, we're looking at trying to replace people like Craig Nasvik, Gary Birkholz, Paul Sever and Brad Havron (all big linemen) this fall. It's tough to replace size. Replacing people, that's what you think most about in the offseason."

But replace people he has done for 25 summers. Success breeds success and UMD's reputation as having a strong football program is directly attributable to Malosky. Strong, swift, sizeable young men now seem to gravitate to UMD. How many more years will he coach? I like to think that the enthusiasm is still there," is all he'll say. "I feel like I get as emotional and as worked up as ever, maybe more so. When I don't, I'll know it's time to step down."

That time is, obviously, a ways off.

50 years old — and thriving

“Duluth State Teachers College had its first team in 1930, and 28 players responded to Coach Kovach’s call.”

So records the 1930-31 Chronicle (yearbook), depicting the origins of Bulldog history when UMD wasn’t UMD, but rather the Duluth State Teachers College (DSTC). “Coach Kovach” is Frank Kovach, an industrial arts specialist who organized and coached the first team that would evolve into one of the most successful small college football programs in the country!

Appropriately enough, Kovach also became UMD’s first coach to shepherd his flock to an unbeaten season as the Bulldogs debuted in 1930 with two ties in their only two games—a scoreless tie against Itasca Junior College, and a 6-6 deadlock versus Duluth Junior College.

Following Kovach’s baptismal year, he yielded the coaching gavel to Lloyd Peterson in 1931, beginning an era that would continue through the 1957 season, after which a brash, young Jim Malosky would step in to become just the third coach in UMD football history.

That triumvirate has shaped and molded 50 conglomerates into singly unique editions of DSTC and UMD football. Each team has its own tales of last second heroics and heart-breaking defeats; the cast from each of those dramas has developed life-long relationships that continue to thrive today; together, those 50 teams formulate a rich tradition of football excellence!

The '30's

The Bulldogs’ first victory ever (after the two ties in 1930) came during their second campaign when DSTC upended Winona State Teachers College for its only victory of the 1931 season, the first of 84 victories for Coach Peterson.

But that 1-5 season in '31 planted the seed of enthusiasm in the program, and by the time 1932 rolled around, despite the greatest depression this country has ever endured, as many as 55 candidates were showing up for the opening of fall drills. The 1932 squad recorded a 3-3 record and tied for the Northern State Teachers College Conference championship. In '33, the team outscored its opponents by a lopsided 85-28, but had to settle for its second straight 3-3 season, even slipping in the standings to second place.

The 1934 season was the Bulldogs’ first outright championship campaign as they captured three titles—the Northern State Teachers College Conference, the City College, and the Twin Ports College championships—with a 6-1 record, the most memorable victory coming against arch-rival Superior in a 17-6 affair.

The last part of the '30's was one of the most successful eras in Bulldog history as from 1934 through 1939, DSTC constructed a 31-7-2 record with a co-championship in 1938 following the Bulldogs’ 1937 outright title! In that '37 season, the Bulldogs dropped their first two games of the year, but rebounded to win the next five. In 1936, the final game of the year against Moorhead was cancelled—because of a snowstorm!

The 1939 season was the reverse of 1937 as the Bulldogs won their first five games, but lost and tied the final two contests to drop into second place in the conference.

The '40's

The early '40s was a period in Bulldog history that found the football program struggling. The 1941 season was the worst in the school’s history to that point with a 1-6 record as the military draft took its toll on the Bulldog camp. World War II, in fact, finally caught up with the school’s efforts to field a team, and for three years (1943-45), there was no football team at DSTC as Bulldog players were called to more important battles than those waged on the gridiron.

When calm was restored, however, the Bulldogs made a quick comeback as they tied Mankato for the Conference championship with a 4-1-2 overall record. The championship showdown against Mankato paralleled the intensity of the just-completed War as the game ended in a 0-0 stalemate! Bob Galenski, Gus Novotrey, and Wes Olson were all selected to the All-Conference team, and the Bulldogs’ defensive unit posted three straight shutouts! It was the final season for the Bulldogs as the Duluth State Teachers College as in 1947 the school formally became a branch of the University of Minnesota, and the green and gold school colors were swapped for maroon and gold!

The first captain of a UMD team was Dan Devine, who more recently has become one of the nation’s most revered coaches at the collegiate and professional levels. His 1947 Bulldogs, however, had a frustrating year as evidenced by their game with Winona—UMD had 10 first downs to Winona’s two, but lost 7-0 when Winona recovered a Bulldog fumble on the Winona one-yard as the gun sounded the end of the game!

In 1948, the Bulldogs posted a mediocre 4-4 record, but nonetheless won their sixth Northern State Teachers College Conference championship as all of their losses came against non-conference competition while all four victories were against conference foes! Fred Murphy, an All-Conference fullback, was the Bulldogs’ mainstay.

UMD bowed out of the Northern State Teachers

By Dukes Knutson

Sports Information Director

College conference for the 1949 season and played an independent schedule before joining the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) in 1950. As independents in '49, UMD rode Chuck Koopman's two touchdowns to a 13-12 triumph over Bemidji and Winona was humbled 32-6 in the Bulldog's Homecoming contest. Jubilant fans carried Coach Lloyd Peterson off the field following UMD's 33-27 conquest over Superior!

The '50's

The Bulldogs debuted in the MIAC with an impressive 19-6 victory over St. Olaf, but even with a 3-3 conference record, they could do no better than fifth place in the tough MIAC. UMD's top linemen included Bob Murray, Phil LeTourneau, Chuck Jeronimus, and Pixie MacDonald. The experience they had under their belts helped the 'Dogs improve to second place the following year with a 5-2-1 overall record, but a 27-12 defeat to Gustavus Adolphus in the final game of the season in 17-degree temperatures cost UMD the MIAC championship.

1952 was the most disasterous year UMD has ever experienced as it suffered through an 0-7-1 season, finishing last in the nine-team conference,

but the Bulldogs rebounded to a 3-4 log the following year with three of those losses by a total of nine points!

Darrell "Lefty" Warner was the sparkplug who led the Bulldogs to four consecutive wins to start the '54 season, but injuries proved costly as UMD then lost three in a row to take itself out of title contention. Warner led the team in scoring, rushing, total offense, punting, and kickoff returns!

Warner was named to the 1955 All-Conference team, but his heroics were dimmed by a dismal 1-5 record and seventh place finish in the MIAC. John Bymark, for the second year in a row, was named to the All-Conference second team as a center.

The 1956 Bulldogs lost four of their first five games, but they salvaged the season by winning three in a row, including an 18-6 Homecoming triumph over Macalester, a 7-0 win over Gustavus Adolphus, and a 45-13 licking of Superior. Warner and halfback Marv Heikkinen, fullback Bob Visina, and quarterback Wayne Rau were credited with leading the Bulldog comeback.

Legendary Lloyd Peterson closed out his 24-year career as the Bulldog mentor in 1957 as UMD struggled to a 2-5-1 record, finishing sixth in the conference. Heikkinen, who currently coaches football at Duluth Denfeld High School, was the team's leader in rushing, passing, and scoring.

Following the 1957 campaign, Peterson handed the ball off to a youngster from Crosby-Ironton who had already made a mark as a wonder-worker in the high school ranks at Morris and Edina, and the rich tradition that was ignited by Kovach and fueled by Peterson was put into full gear by the man who has now dedicated 25 years of his life to UMD football—Jim Malosky! The history of Makosky's first quarter-century at UMD are documented on the following pages!



UMD's penchant for producing outstanding running backs was evidenced in the mid-'70's when Ted McKnight became the Bulldogs' all-time leading rusher with 2,957 total yards!

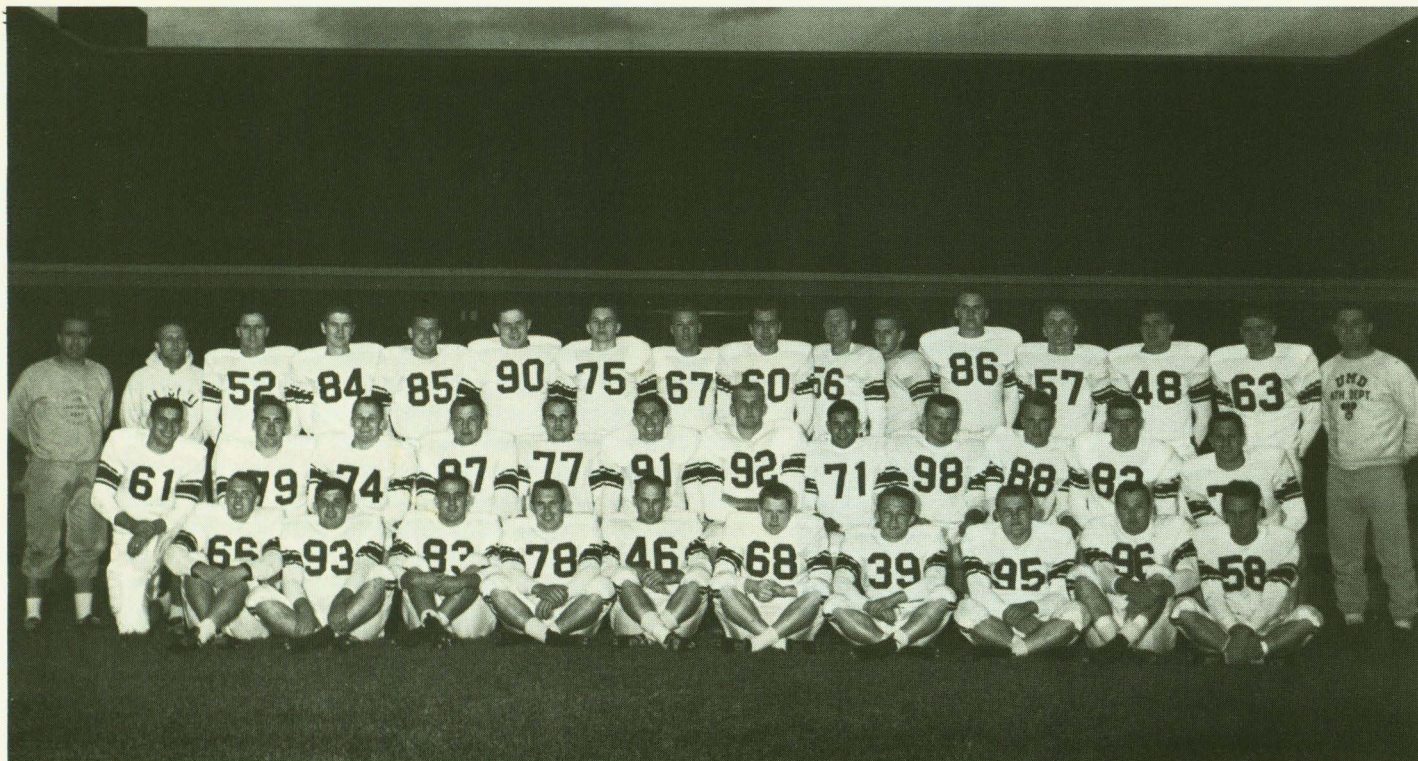
Sept. 12, 1958 - the beginning of the Malosky regime

It was September 12, 1958 when Coach Malosky made his debut as the Bulldogs' head coach, and he suffered a 14-6 loss to Superior State—one of only two losses Malosky-coached teams have sustained to the Yellowjackets in 25 years of the cross-the-bridge rivalry! The Bulldogs won their home opener in 1958 with a convincing 22-6 triumph over Hamline, which was followed by a tough 38-30 loss to Concordia. The season was also highlighted by a 7-6 victory over St. Thomas in the Bulldogs' Homecoming game. Overall, UMD completed Malosky's first season with a 4-4 record (4-3 in the MIAC) and fourth place finish in the conference. Sophomore Dick Pesonen, who went on to play pro football with the New York Giants and Minnesota Vikings, broke the school record for most touchdowns in a season with nine!

1958 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

Superior State 14, UMD 6
 Gustavus Adolphus 34, UMD 20
 UMD 22, HAMLINE 6
 CONCORDIA 38, UMD 30
 St. John's 42, UMD 29
 UMD 7, ST. THOMAS 6 (Homecoming)
 UMD 24, MACALESTER 14
 UMD 27, Augsburg 13

Overall Record: 4-4
 MIAC Record: 4-3 (4th place)
 Captains: Dick Ferrera and Clyde Smith



1958 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): Manager D. Johnson, J. Salmi, J. Ahlin, R. Kosteliz, W. Anderson, R. Johnson, W. Gilchrist, R. Neimi, J. Rauker, and G. Richardson; Row 2: J. Drazenovitch, R. Aho, M. Skavnak, R. Tarnowski, L. Rouzi, S. Johnson, R. Nemanic, M. Chupurdia, W. Swanson, C. Smith, and C. Jeanetta; Row 3: Coach Jim Malosky, Back Coach R. Neuses, W. Rau, G. Moe, W. Breemeersch, D. Hampton, D. Hammer, A. Hanninen, W. Fontaine, W. Bort, D. Lindstrom, E. Lundstrom, D. Saarela, L. Vereecken, and Line Coach D. Forbort.

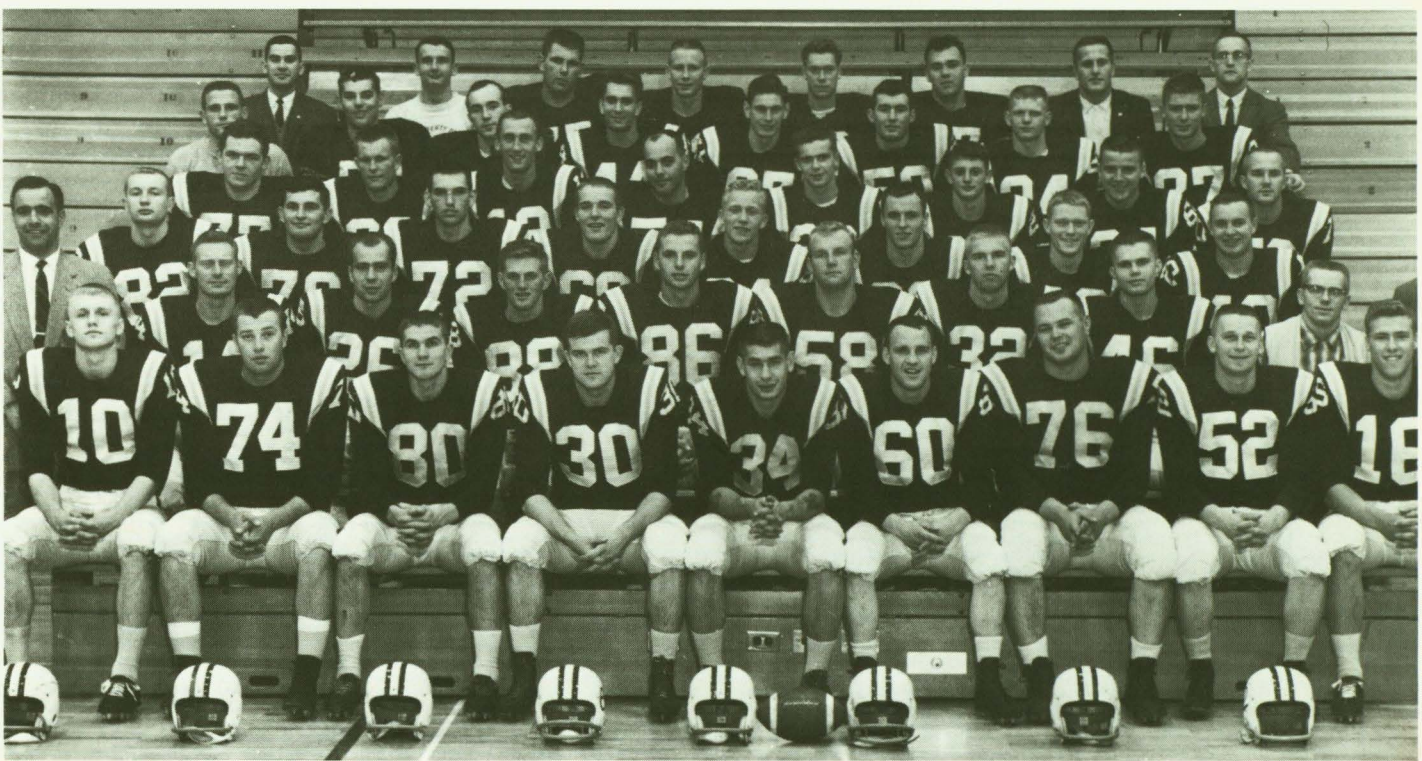
Pesonen puts Malosky game plan on course

When Coach Malosky first arrived on the UMD campus, he boldly predicted that an MIAC championship could be developed within a three-year building program. He made giant strides towards that end in his sophomore season as the Bulldogs fashioned a 5-2-1 record. The Bulldogs avenged their opening season loss to Superior State in 1958 by whitewashing the Yellowjackets 28-0 in the 1959 inaugural before going on to a 4-2-1 MIAC record, good enough for third place. Gustavus Adolphus, for the second season in a row, waltzed through the MIAC unbeaten to cop the Conference championship. Dick Pesonen was once again UMD's top offensive threat as he gained 594 yards on 96 carries for a 6.2 average, and he was also the team's top pass receiver with 245 yards. The Proctor junior was one of the top scorers in small college in 1959 with 80 points, a school record. Skip Fontaine established himself as the best quarterback in the MIAC by completing 42 of 98 passes for 701 yards. All in all, the Malosky "game plan" was right on schedule!

1959 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in capital letters)

- UMD 28, SUPERIOR STATE 0
- UMD 38, AUGSBURG 25
- GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 22, UMD 7
- UMD 14, Hamline 0
- UMD 12, St. Thomas 12
- UMD 28, Macalester 14
- UMD 14, ST. JOHN'S 6
- Concordia 22, UMD 0

Overall Record: 5-2-1
MIAC Record: 4-2-1 (3rd place)
Captains: Lino Rauzi and John Drazenovich



1959 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): E. Lundstrom, J. Raukar, D. Saarela, R. Strand, J. Drazenovich, L. Rauzi, G. Melin, M. Skavinik, and A. Hansen; Row 2: Jim Malosky, S. Fontaine, D. Pesonen, B. Bort, D. Lindstrom, S. Johnson, J. Ahlin, B. Johnson, K. Salo. Row 3: F. Murphy, R. Kosteliz, E. Galeaneult, V. Bushy, B. Manfred, P. Delaney, R. Gilchrist, and J. Shofman; Row 4: D. Hampton, D. Ness, G. Richardson, J. Birt, R. Anzels, D. Valentino, J. Karnowski, and T. Modahl; Row 5: Coach G. Rauzi, V. Bradow, S. Paun, J. McDowell, J. Whereley, G. Raasch, L. Vereecken; Row 6: Trainer P. Andrews, Manager D. Johnson, G. Olt Dahl, C. Johnson, D. Schinn, Coach C. Jeanetta, and Coach R. Neuses.

'Dogs unseat Gustavus as MIAC champions

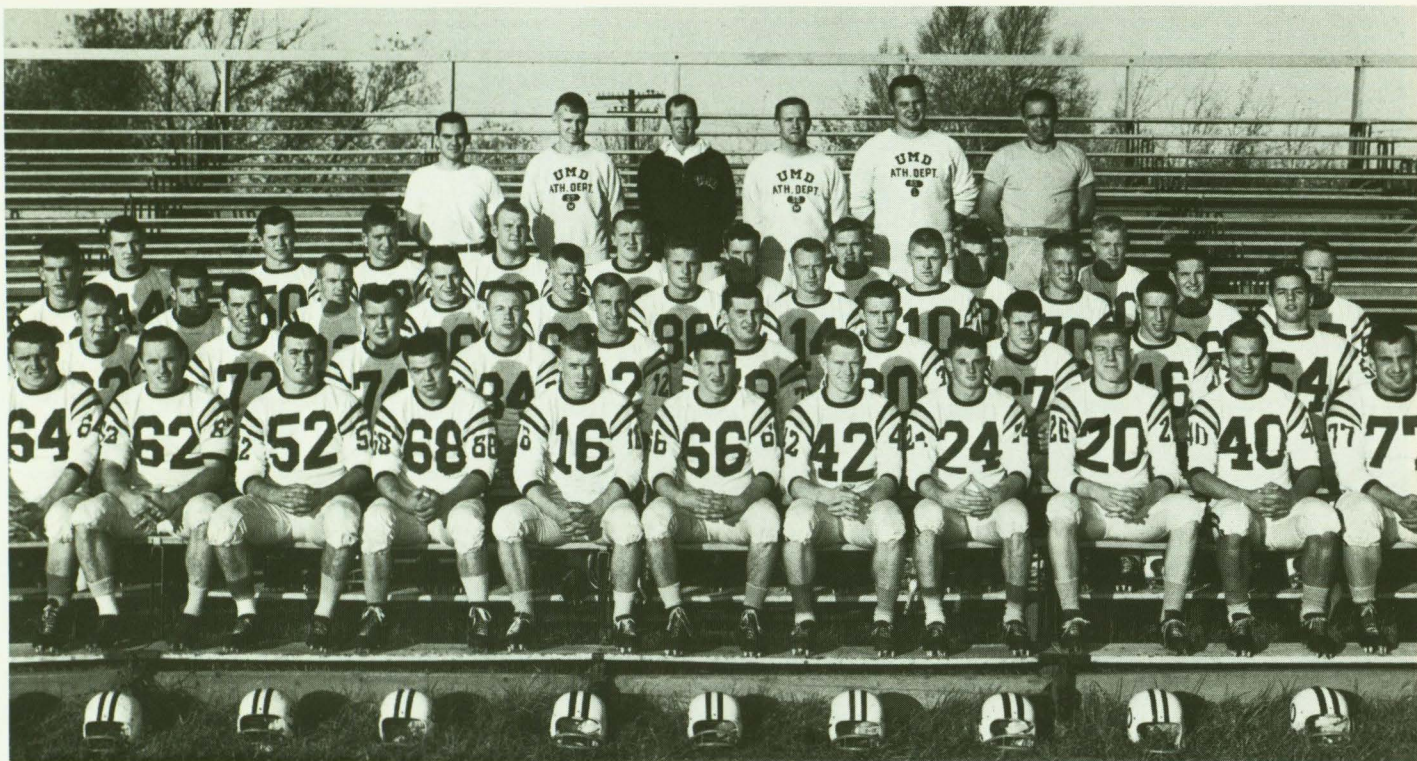
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In just his third year with the Bulldog program, Coach Malosky molded the championship team he had predicted as the Bulldogs unseated Gustavus Adolphus as MIAC champions. In the fourth game of the season, the Bulldogs traveled to St. Peter's for a showdown with the Gusties, and UMD held on for a 20-14 victory that propelled them to the MIAC title. Only a heart-breaking 8-7 loss at St. John's and a 6-6 deadlock with Superior State blemished UMD's 6-1-1 record, and the Bulldogs closed out the year with a 61-6 thrashing of St. Thomas! The running combination of Jerry Richardson and John Nachtsheim accounted for over 1,100 yards alone, and Skip Fontaine closed out his brilliant career with 564 passing yards to become the school's all-time passing leader. Six-foot-six end Dave Lindstrom was Fontaine's favorite target as he hauled in 18 receptions for 190 yards!

1960 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 6, Superior State 6
 UMD 39, MACALESTER 0
 UMD 26, Augsburg 14
 UMD 20, Gustavus Adolphus 14
 UMD 22, HAMLINE 8
 UMD 44, CONCORDIA 20
 St. John's 8, UMD 7
 UMD 61, St. Thomas 6

Overall Record: 6-1-1
 MIAC Record: 6-1
 Captain: Skip Fontaine



1960 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): J. Karnowski, P. Delaney, J. Wherley, R. Tusler, R. Naslund, D. Schwartz, W. Gilchrist, R. Valentine, P. Fahey, S. Paun, and D. Mancuso; Row 2: P. Johnson, E. Galarneaut, J. Minks, F. Murphy, J. Richardson, R. Kosteliz, B. Johnson, J. McDowell, J. Nachtsheim, D. Nystrom, D. Pitkanen; Row 3: T. Adams, J. Drazenovich, K. Salo, R. Visinia, D. Ness, D. Lindstrom, W. Fontaine, E. Lundstrom, R. Carlson, R. Galarnealt, and G. Johnson; Row 4: R. Allison, D. Melin, L. Vereecken, S. Johnson, M. Schuster, P. Johnson, D. Carlson, R. Manfred; Row 5: Trainer P. Andrews, Manager J. Boeder, Equipment Manager P. Hanson, Coach R. Neuses, Coach G. Melin, Coach Malosky.

Bulldogs win big while defending title

It's been said many times that it is more difficult to repeat a championship than it is to garner that first title, but the Bulldogs found the going much easier as they trounced the rest of the MIAC for their second straight championship. UMD's closest contest was a 12-6 victory over St. John's, and lopsided victories included back-to-back victories over Gustavus Adolphus (70-0) and Hamline (61-0). The Bulldogs only loss came against Northern Michigan as the powerful Wildcats humbled UMD 35-6. John Nachtsheim nosed out teammate Bruce Johnson 671-670 for the team rushing title, and quarterback Ed Lundstrom, who had been Fontaine's understudy for three years, finally got his opportunity, and he came through with the best single season ever by a quarterback with 50 completions for 872 yards! Tom Adams, who would go on to become an NFL receiver, scored eight touchdowns through the air, collecting 475 yards on 19 catches! The Bulldogs outscored their opponents 355-112 for an average of 39.4-12.4!

1961 SCOREBOARD

(Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 43, SUPERIOR STATE 6
Northern Michigan 35, UMD 6
UMD 47, Macalester 13
UMD 45, AUGSBURG 14
UMD 70, GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 0
UMD 61, Hamline 0
UMD 34, Concordia 14
UMD 12, ST. JOHN'S 6
UMD 36, St. Thomas 13

Overall Record: 8-1

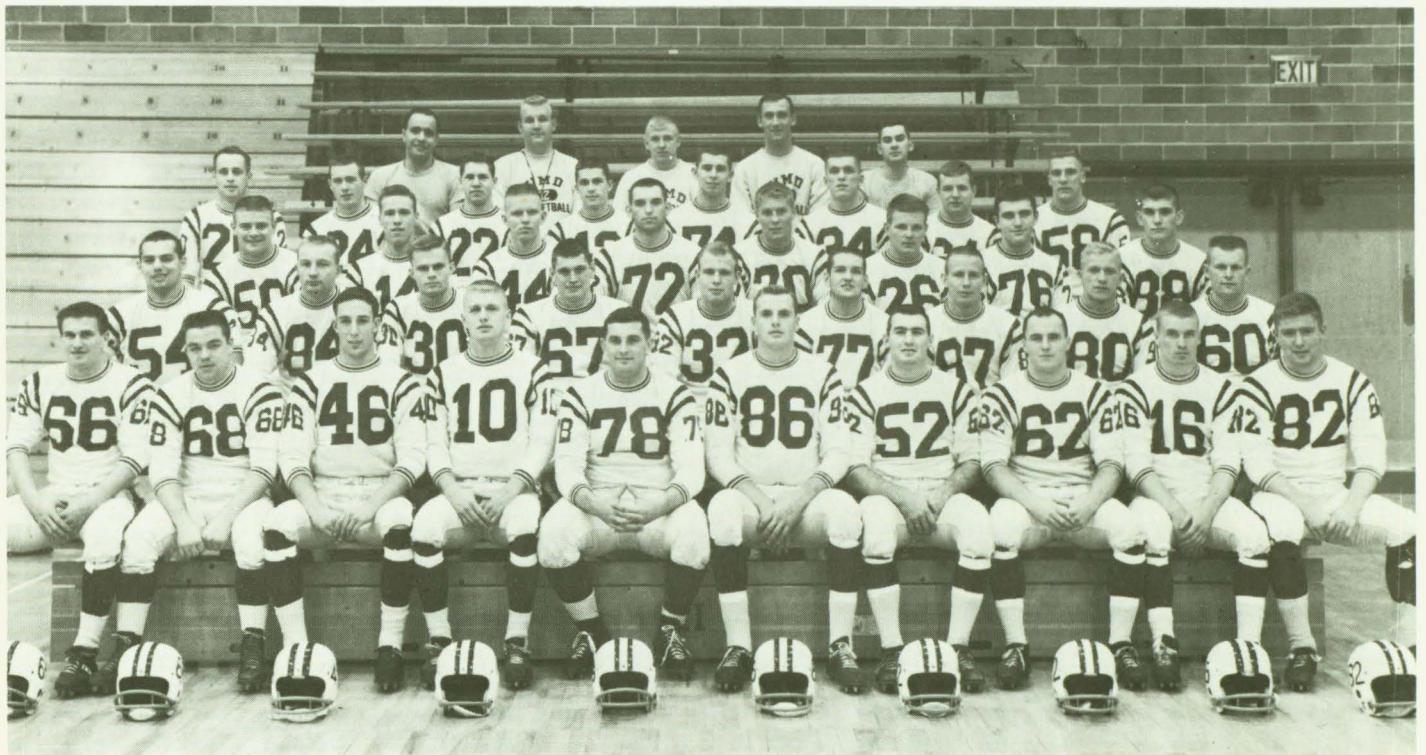
MIAC Record: (1st place)

Captain: Dave Lindstrom

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1961 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): D. Schwartz, B. Tusler, J. Nachtsheim, E. Lundstrom, R. Kosteliz, D. Lindstrom, J. Wherley, P. Delaney, B. Naslund, L. Vereecken; Row 2: D. Nystrom, F. Murphy, B. Johnson, J. McDowell, K. Schloer, R. Galarneault, G. Johnson, R. Manfred, D. Ness; Row 3: A. Gruenhagen, A. Hanson, E. Himes, E. Galarneault, R. Carlson, N. Mattson, B. Allison, T. Adams; Row 4: G. Petricka, R. Murphy, D. Royal, D. LeBeau, D. Kosteliz, D. Fisher, P. Fahey, R. Kohlts; Row 5: Coach Malosky, S. Johnson, J. Boeder, G. Richardson, P. Andrews.

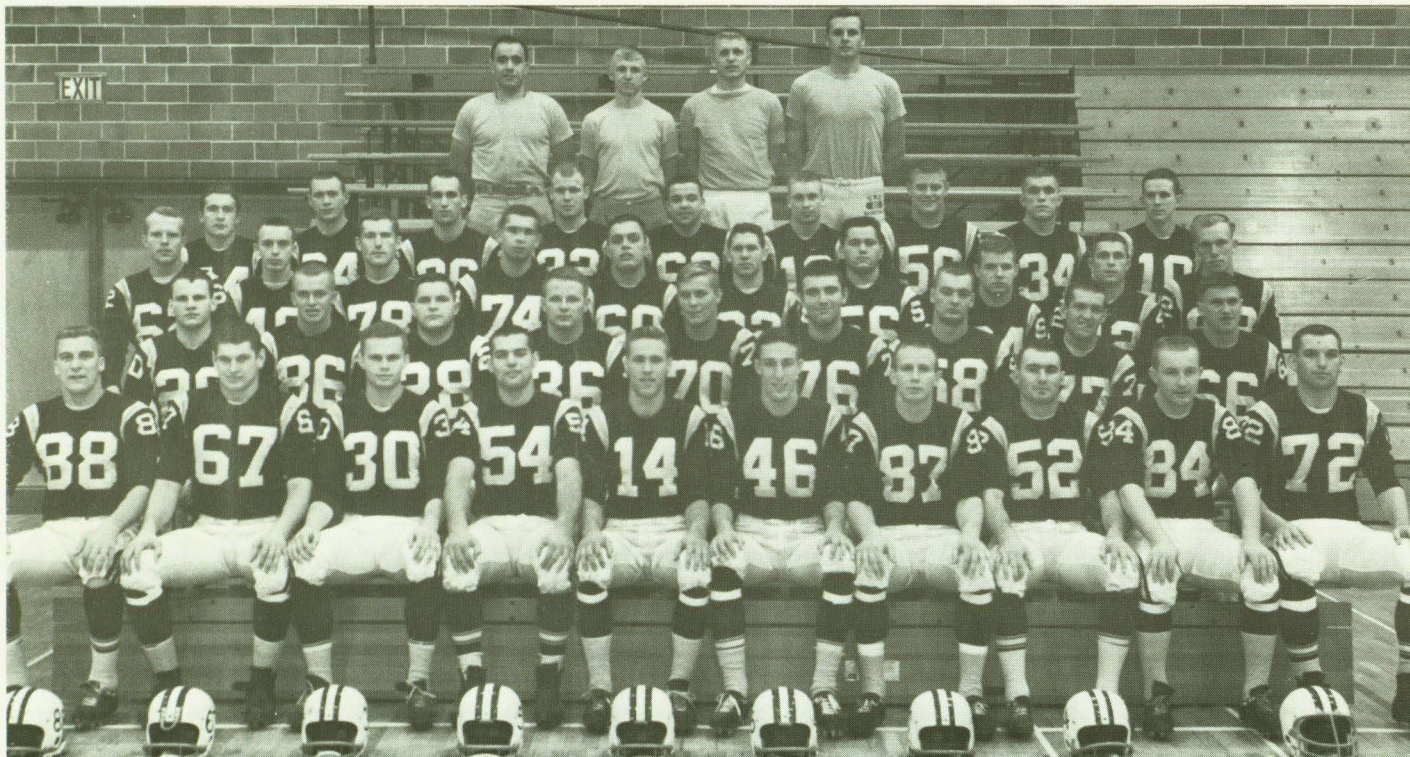
Johnnies thwart 'Dogs' quest for 3rd championship

The Bulldogs's quest for a third successive MIAC championship was thwarted by eventual champion St. John's in the third game of the season as the Johnnies eeked out a 6-0 victory. That loss came on the heels of perhaps the most impressive Bulldog win of the year, a 14-0 upset victory over small college power Northern Michigan. A hint of what was to happen in 1962 was evident in the season's opening game as UMD dropped a 7-6 decision to Superior State. That was the last time UMD has lost to a Superior team! The Bulldogs did put together a neat five-game winning streak following the St. John's loss, finishing the season with an 8-8 tie with Concordia for a 6-2-1 log. John Nachtsheim continued his brilliance on the gridiron by churning up 620 yards on the ground and 193 more in the air. Kenny Schloer and Bruce Johnson had good seasons in the backfield, and sophomore Dick LeBeau emerged as one of the stars of the future.

1962 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

Superior State 7, UMD 6
 UMD 14, NORTHERN MICHIGAN 0
 St. John's 6, UMD 0
 UMD 22, ST. THOMAS 0
 UMD 14, MACALESTER 10
 UMD 31, Augsburg 8
 UMD 22, Gustavus Adolphus 6
 UMD 34, HAMLINE 7
 UMD 8, CONCORDIA 8

Overall Record: 6-2-1
 MIAC Record: 5-1-1 (2nd place)
 Captain: Bruce Johnson



1962 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): R. Kohlts, J. McDowell, B. Johnson, D. Nystrom, A. Hansen, J. Nachtsheim, G. Johnson, J. Wherley, F. Murphy, E. Galarneault; Row 2: F. Rauzi, B. Kuusisto, M. Rosen, N. Mattson, D. Carlston, R. Allison, R. Peterson, R. Galarneault, D. Schwartz; Row 3: B. Dahl, L. Tapper, J. Sweeney, D. Kosteliz, D. Jankovich, J. Petricka, R. Ludwig, P. Fahey, D. LeBeau, D. Hoglund; Row 4: J. Gruben, R. Murphy, R. Thompson, K. Schloer, B. Tusler, B. Nasland, A. Gruenhagen, D. Fisher, R. Norsted; Row 5: Coach Malosky, Manager J. Boeder, Coach E. Lundstrom, Coach D. Lindstrom.

Bulldogs slump to 3-6; LeBeau emerges as star

In the four seasons prior to 1963, Malosky-coached teams lost a total of six games. The 1963 gridders also lost six games, winning three, in what turned out to be a disappointing season for the Bulldogs.

Two of the losses—to Augsburg and Hamline—resulted when UMD failed to convert its extra-point attempts. One of the most lopsided losses in all of UMD gridiron history occurred when the Bulldogs were flattened by St. John's 60-6.

However, when the '63 squad won, it won in style as it crushed Superior State 28-6, whitewashed Macalester 12-0, and shot down Gustavus Adolphus 26-7.

Captain Ken Schloer led the club in scoring with 32 points, but the individual statistics were dominated by junior Dick LeBeau, who led the 'Dogs in pass receiving, punt returns, and kickoff returns while finishing second in rushing and scoring. Roger Halverson won the team rushing title with 385 yards for a 4.3 average.

St. John's went on to win the MIAC and NAIA small college championships.

1963 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

- UMD 28, SUPERIOR STATE 6
- University of North Dakota 33, UMD 0
- Concordia 36, UMD 16
- ST. JOHN'S 60, UMD 6
- St. Thomas 14, UMD 0
- UMD 12, Macalester 0
- AUGSBURG 14, UMD 12
- UMD 26, GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 7
- Hamline 16, UMD 12

Overall Record: 3-6
MIAC Record: 2-5 (6th place)
Captain: Ken Schloer



1963 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): P. Fahey, D. Carlson, R. Naslund, B. Tusler, K. Schloer, D. Schwartz, E. Galarneault, C. Thompson, R. Murphy, D. LeBeau; Row 2: S. Sands, G. Zanko, H. Lewis, D. Hoglund, R. Norsted, P. McCrady, M. Rosen, B. Dahl, D. Kosteliz; Row 3: J. Sweeney, M. Murphy, B. Tanski, S. Mittelstedt, F. Rauzi, F. Anderson, B. Kuusisto, T. Gunderson; Row 4: M. Anderson, J. Martin, B. Wilkowski, E. Stephens, C. Johnson, J. Gruber, D. Fisher, J. Heining, R. Halverson; Row 5: D. Nystrom, J. McDowell, Coach Malosky, Manager J. Boeder, Assistant Manager J. Foley.

Norsted, LeBeau, Hoglund nurse Bulldog recovery

The Bulldog's bid to rebound from 1963's disaster was a slow recovery, but the 1964 gridders improved their overall record to 4-5 in a season highlighted by individual heroics.

The Bulldogs started out in a flurry, winning three consecutive games while outscoring their opponents 109-12! However, UMD would win just one more game the rest of the year, that coming in a 42-0 shellacking of Macalester at home.

Concordia, which went on to win the MIAC title, stopped UMD's winning streak at three with a 24-6 thumping, and the Bulldogs also lost heartbreakers to St. John's (21-12), St. Thomas (22-20), and Gustavus Adolphus (21-20).

Quarterback Ray Norsted set a school record by completing 93 passes—a record that continues to stand today—and became the first quarterback in UMD history to pass for over 1,000 yards in a single season (1,261). Senior Dick LeBeau led the team in rushing (578 yards) and pass receiving (455 yards on 25 receptions), and Dean Hoglund was named the outstanding lineman of the year.

1964 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 29, EAU CLAIRE STATE 6
 UMD 46, Superior State 6
 UMD 34, HAMLIN 0
 CONCORDIA 24, UMD 6
 St. John's 21, UMD 12
 ST. THOMAS 22, UMD 20
 UMD 42, MACALESTER 0
 Augsburg 14, UMD 0
 Gustavus Adolphus 21, UMD 20

Overall Record: 4-5
 MIAC Record: 2-5 (5th place)
 Captain: Dick Fisher



1964 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): G. Gruber, M. Zeleny, B. Urbick, D. Fisher, R. Murphy, B. Dahl, D. LeBeau, R. Thomson, J. Sweeney, R. Norsted; Row 2: D. Tanski, J. Martin, G. Zanko, R. Halverson, D. Hoglund, D. Kosteliz, F. Anderson, A. Ballavance, J. Heining; Row 3: B. Miller, B. Wilkowski, T. Bell, S. Sands, M. Murphy, J. Mason, B. Kuusisto, V. Emerson, H. Lewis, Manager J. Foley; Row 4: Coach Malosky, B. Tanski, D. Halvorson, E. Eversley, J. Biller, J. Broselle, C. Voxland, D. Boyer, G. Milosevich, G. Egerdahl, G. Younghans, J. Foss.

Champion Johnnies rally to douse 'Dogs' upset bid

1965 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 38, SUPERIOR STATE 6
 North Dakota State 55, UMD 8
 GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 17, UMD 6
 UMD 22, Hamline 16
 Concordia 48, UMD 12
 ST. JOHN'S 17, UMD 8
 St. Thomas 20, UMD 6
 UMD 34, Macalester 6
 UMD 16, AUGSBURG 0

Overall Record: 4-5
 MIAC Record: 3-4 (5th place)
 Captain: Ray Norsted

After evening its series with Superior State (13-13-6) with a 38-6 victory in the season opener, UMD lost five of its next six games, squeezing in a 22-16 over Hamline. However, Malosky's chargers closed out the season with convincing wins over Macalester and Augsburg to leave UMD with its second straight 4-5 record.

The Bulldogs nearly pulled off the upset of the year as eventual MIAC champion St. John's had to rally from an 8-0 deficit before clipping the Bulldogs 17-8. The Johnnies were also ranked No. 1 in the NAIA in 1965.

Sophomore Gary Egerdahl emerged as UMD's top ground-gainer, averaging 5.0 yards per carry, while five other Bulldogs accumulated more than 100 yards rushing. Quarterback Ray Norsted moved into the top slot in UMD record books as he tacked on another 616 yards through the air to bulge his career total to 2,321 yards, becoming the first QB to surpass the 2,000 mark. Norsted's mark was eclipsed in 1982 by Bruce Grant. Bob Wilkowski with 28 receptions for 432 yards, and Egerdahl with 22 catches for 281 yards led the receiving corps.



1965 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): A. Ballavance, M. Murphy, C. Johnson, R. Tanski, P. Delaney, R. Norsted, D. Haglin, F. Rauzi, M. Rosen, H. Lewis, M. Zeleny; Row 2: R. Wilkowski, E. Eversley, G. Zanko, J. Martin, D. Larson, J. Broselle, D. Lacher, C. Voxland, J. Hall, P. Collier, N. Ladsten; Row 3: M. Gowell, D. Halvorson, D. Boyer, T. Bell, G. Egerdahl, J. Mason, M. Griffin, M. Esser, D. Kurimay, R. Minks, R. Farel, K. Burkey; Row 4: Manager J. Biller, G. Kelly, D. Carlson, V. Emerson, S. Gernander, R. Gustafson, D. Arnold, S. Hedstrom, J. Christiansen, F. Mehle, D. Roper; Row 5: Manager J. Foley, Coach G. Johnson, Coach Malosky, Coach D. Lindstrom, Coach E. Lundstrom.

Back to basics with 3 E's - Eversley, Egerdahl, Emerson

After going winless in its first four games of the year, UMD regrouped and won its final five games of the season to finish third in the MIAC.

The Bulldogs failed to score in their first two games of the year but then managed to tie Augsburg 14-14 before dropping an 18-6 contest to Hamline, which went on to cop the MIAC crown.

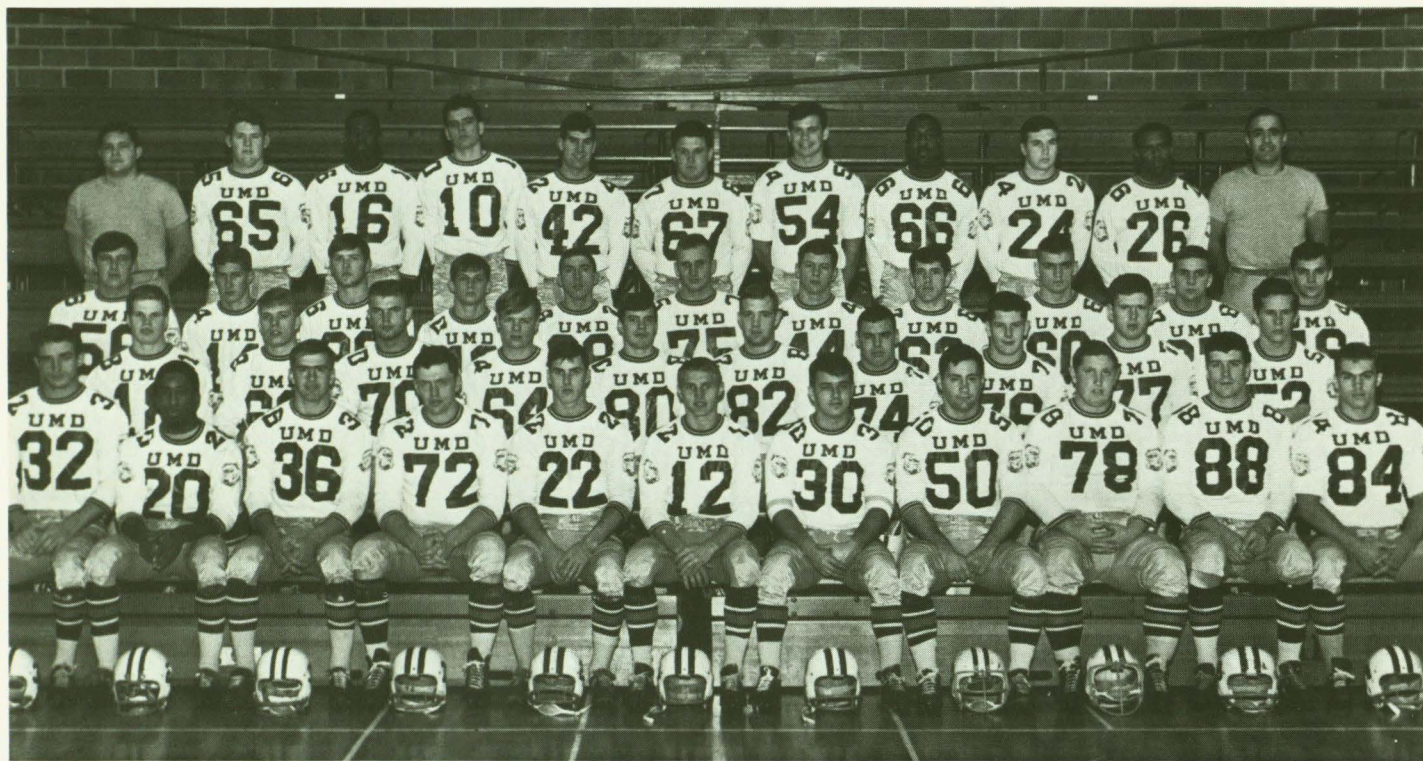
From there on, however, the Bulldog's offense began to roll. Concordia, St. John's, St. Thomas and Macalester all fell to the Bulldogs in MIAC battles before UMD closed out the '66 season with a 40-0 bombing over Superior State. UMD's 22-7 win at St. John's was the Johnnies first loss at home since the 1960 season!

Quarterback Steve Sands assumed the starting quarterback position and came through with nearly 600 yards passing. End Fred Anderson led the team in receiving despite missing much of the first half of the season with a shoulder injury, and junior Eric Eversley won the team rushing title with 481 yards for a 6.5 average! Gary Egerdahl, for the second straight year, led the team in scoring, and Vern Emerson was making a name for himself as one of the premier tackles in the conference.

1966 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE 27, UMD 0
Augsburg 13, UMD 0
UMD 14, Gustavus Adolphus 14
HAMLINE, 18, UMD 6
UMD 18, CONCORDIA 6
UMD 22, St. John's 7
UMD 20, ST. THOMAS 14
UMD 46, Macalester 6
UMD 40, Superior State 0

Overall Record: 5-3-1
MIAC Record: 4-2-1 (3rd place)
Captain: Steve Sands



1966 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): D. Voltzke, E. Eversley, G. Egerdahl, J. Martin, B. Tanski, S. Sands, R. Tanski, M. Murphy, G. Zanko, D. Larson, H. Lewis; Row 2: L. Christiansen, R. Minks, N. Ladsten, G. Anderson, F. Anderson, J. Mason, D. Lacher, J. Broselle, V. Emerson, K. Burkey; Row 3: P. Peterson, S. Gernander, M. Gowell, B. Smith, G. Rider, S. LeDoux, J. Hall, D. Esser, A. Decker, G. Doty, D. Telega; Row 4: M. Rosen, B. Lippet, H. Hardeman, S. Olson, D. Roper, D. Halverson, B. Bell, G. Kelly, D. Kurimay, B. Davis, Coach Malosky.

Bulldogs settle for 2nd place despite 7-1-1 record

Although the Bulldogs managed to mold a 7-1-1 record in 1967, they had to settle for a second place tie in the tough MIAC scramble.

The Bulldogs' fortunes started with an upset victory over highly-touted South Dakota State 12-7, which avenged a 27-0 setback the previous year to the Jackrabbits. After blowing out Macalester and Augsburg in their first MIAC encounters of the year, the stage was set for the Bulldogs to face Gustavus Adolphus in what was billed as the conference championship game. Unfortunately, costly fumbles thwarted UMD's hopes as the Gusties pulled out a 26-16 triumph. Two weeks later, a UMD kickoff fumble on its own 10-yard line allowed Concordia to tie the 'Dogs 8-8, which eventually was the difference between first and second place in the MIAC. UMD continued its domination over Superior State with a 62-14 victory in the season finale. Vern Emerson and Eric Eversley continued their outstanding play for the Bulldogs.

1967 SCOREBOARD

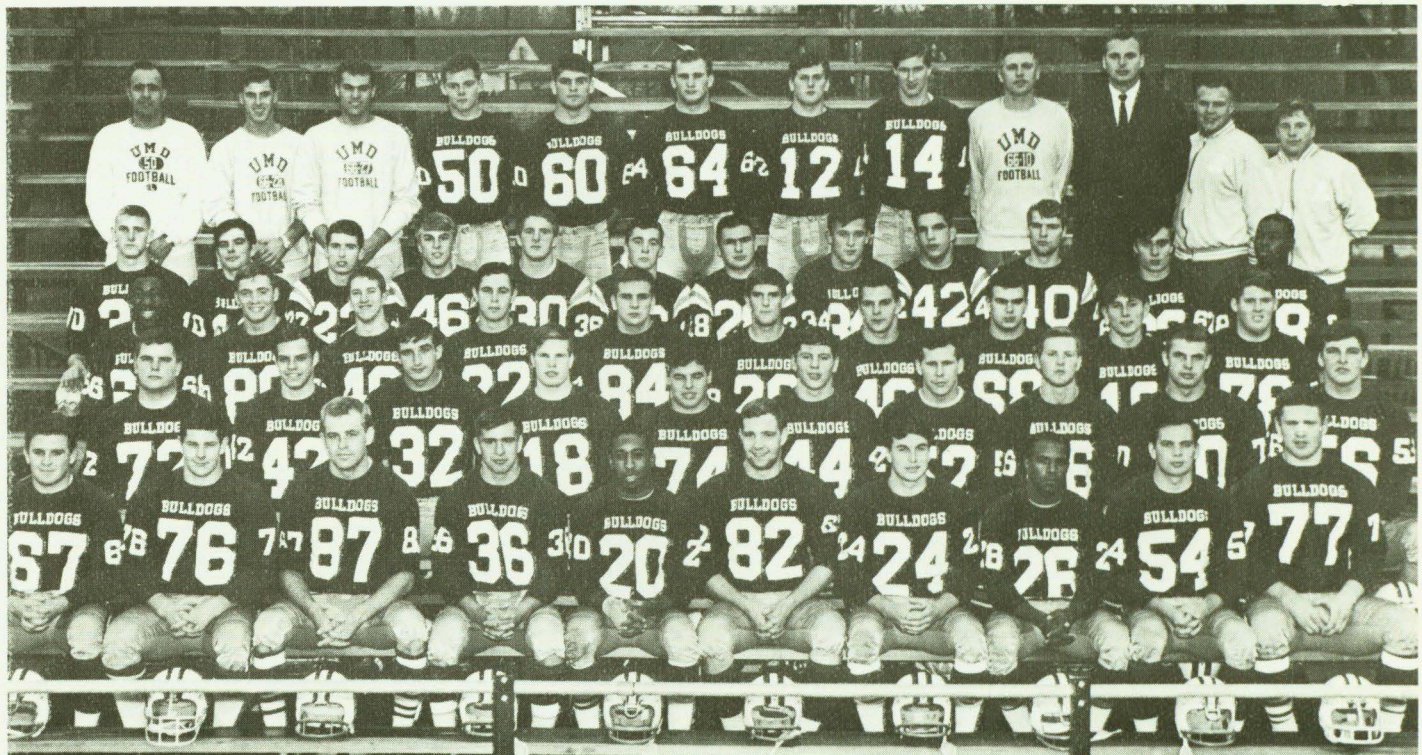
(Home Games in Capital Letters)

- UMD 12, South Dakota State 7
- UMD 38, Macalester 10
- UMD 29, AUGSBURG 0
- GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 26, UMD 16
- UMD 22, Hamline 13
- UMD 8, Concordia 8
- UMD 42, St. Thomas 26
- UMD 62, SUPERIOR STATE 14

Overall Record: 7-1-1

MIAC Record: 5-1-1 (tie for 2nd place)

Captain: Eric Eversley



1967 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): D. Halvorson, J. Broselle, B. Wilkowski, G. Egerdahl, E. Eversley, J. Mason, D. Kurimay, H. Davis, T. Bell, V. Emerson; Row 2: J. Hartman, D. Lueck, D. Voltzke, L. Christiansen, D. Lacher, J. Hall, K. Burkey, M. Gowell, N. Ladsten, P. Peterson; Row 3: G. Kelly, R. Shefchik, M. Lundgren, G. Schneider, G. Doty, M. Snyder, D. Telega, N. Bonstrom, S. Fairbanks, B. Lippitt; Row 4: B. Bloomgren S. Olson, F. Cox, G. Ahlgren, M. Hyland, J. Wagner, K. Coleman, H. Peterson, M. Katzenberger, K. Kiekow, T. Swiderski, H. Hardeman; Row 5: Coach Malosky, Coach B. Tanski, Coach H. Lewis, T. Cady, A. Decker, S. LeDoux, D. Daly, S. Gernander, Coach E. Lundstrom, Coach D. Lindstrom, Manager R. Farel, Manager M. Hamilton.

Five straight losses mar early season gains

With heavy graduation losses from 1967's 7-1-1 squad, the Bulldogs' youth wasn't able to deal with their more experienced opponents as the team fell below .500 with a 4-6 record.

The 'Dogs opened with wins over Superior State and Moorhead State before bowing to St. Thomas in an 18-16 cliff hanger. UMD thrust itself into MIAC title contention with victories over Macalester and Augsburg to set up a battle for first place with defending league champion Gustavus Adolphus, and after one of the hardest-hitting battles of the season, the Gusties reigned 10-6 on the strength of a 43-yard field goal. From there, it was all downhill for UMD as it dropped four more games.

Dick Voltzke, who was chosen the team's Most Valuable Player, bulldozed his way for 685 yards from his fullback slot, and quarterback Lee Christiansen threw for 550 yards with his understudy, Scott Gernander, also doubling as the team's top receiver! Glen Kelly was UMD's top lineman, and the team captain was Neil Ladsten, who has served as an assistant coach for Malosky ever since his graduation in 1969. Ladsten is also the wrestling coach at UMD!

1968 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 33, Superior State 6
 UMD 36, MOORHEAD STATE 26
 ST. THOMAS 18, UMD 16
 UMD 26, MACALESTER 6
 UMD 23, Augsburg 0
 Gustavus Adolphus 10, UMD 6
 HAMLINE 32, UMD 22
 CONCORDIA 23, UMD 14
 St. John's 21, UMD 6
 Mankato State 28, UMD 23

Overall Record: 4-6
 MIAC Record: 2-5 (7th place)
 Captain: Neil Ladsten



1968 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): G. Kelly, K. Burke, S. Gernander, J. Hall, D. Lacher, N. Ladsten, L. Christiansen, M. Gowell, D. Voltzke; Row 2: M. Katzenberger, D. Leuck, G. Doty, J. Wagner, N. Bonstrom, D. Telega, T. Cady, A. Decker; Row 3: M. Snyder, D. Esser, D. LeDoux, B. Lippitt, D. Daly, G. Schneider, M. Lundgren, G. Davies, J. Olson; Row 4: B. Froehle, B. Bloomgren, G. LaBine, T. Worthman, G. Polich, T. Anderson, M. Antilla, S. Fairbanks; Row 5: J. Highbrink, T. Switzer, B. Ahlgren, D. Niemi, J. Graden, R. McAdams, R. Stenson, P. MacDonald, B. Rolf; Row 6: G. Ahlgren, H. Martinson, M. Hyland, K. Johnson, S. Duncan, T. Crump, R. Michelson, P. Furo; Row 7: T. Swiderski, Manager J. Dreher, R. Farrel, Coach Malosky, Coach E. Lundstrom, Coach B. Tanski, Coach D. Lindstrom, J. Zupetz.

Second-half tailspin again dooms Bulldogs

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1969 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 36, SUPERIOR STATE 0
 UMD 26, Moorhead State 12
 ST. JOHN'S 16, UMD 12
 UMD 27, St. Thomas 8
 Macalester 38, UMD 35
 UMD 37, AUGSBURG 6
 GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 20, UMD 14
 Hamline 32, UMD 12
 Concordia 28, UMD 7
 Mankato State 42, UMD 6

Overall Record: 4-6
 MIAC Record: 2-5 (6th place)
 Captain: Al Decker

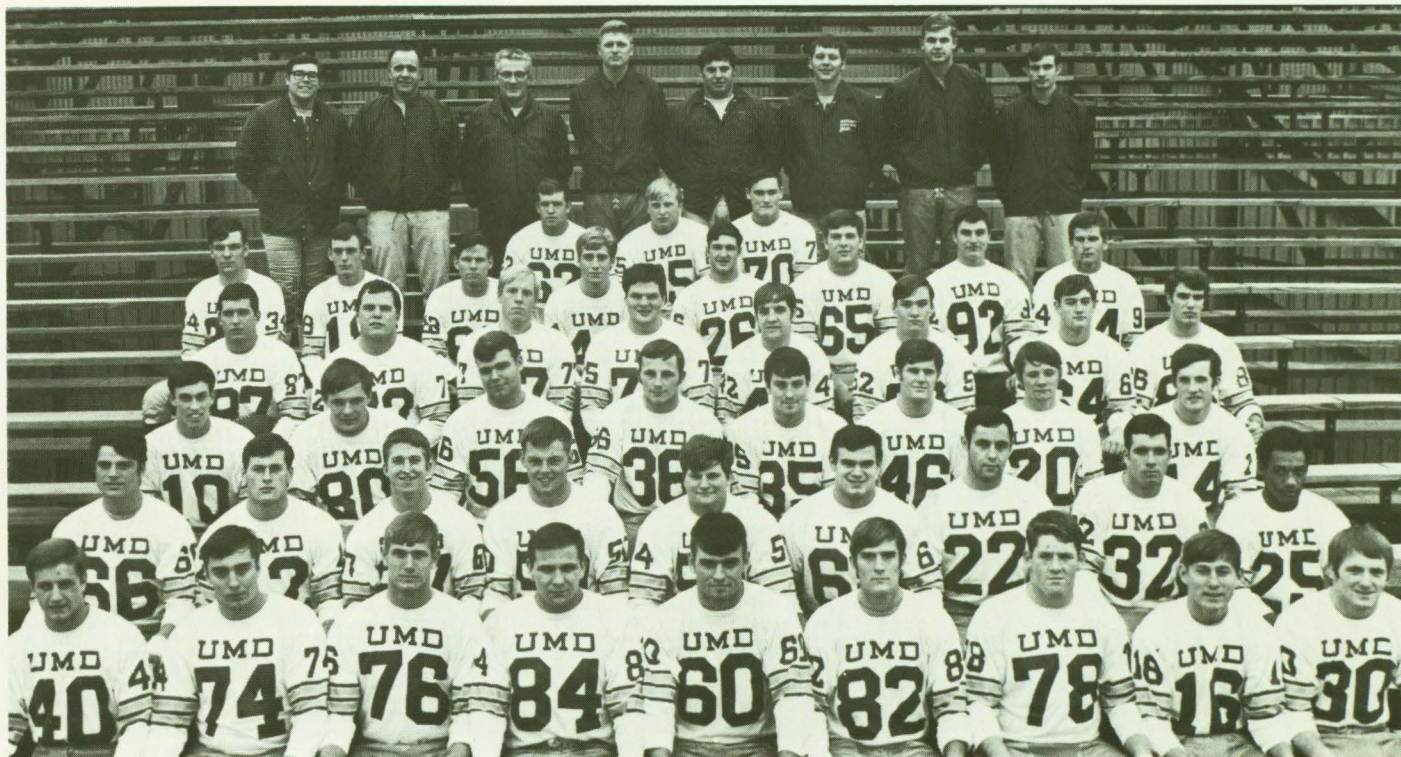
The 1969 gridders won three of their first four games, but could muster just one more triumph in their last four games to finish the season with their second straight 4-6 record. This was just the fifth—and last—time a Malosky-coached team had finished below .500!

The Bulldogs opened the season with their seventh straight victory over Superior State, a 36-0 spanking. After a hard-fought 26-12 triumph over Moorhead State, UMD squared off against powerful St. John's and although the statistics were even, the Johnnies came out on top 16-12. The Bulldogs lost a couple more close contests—38-35 to Macalester and 20-14 to Gustavus Adolphus—but the second half of the season gave UMD folk little to cheer about.

Bob Froehle, who was also an All-Conference wrestler, led the club in rushing in 1969 with 665 yards while halfbacks Pete Furo and Hank Martinsen also cracked the 500-yard mark. Froehle's credentials were just 20 yards shy of the school record. Quarterback Dan Daly passed for 566 yards and was also the team's fourth leading rusher.

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1969 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): P. Furo, T. Swiderski, B. Bloomgren, G. Doty, A. Decker, M. Snyder, B. Lippit, S. Fairbanks, B. Froehle; Row 2: J. Stocco, D. Daly, M. Lundgren, T. Cady, S. Hanna, N. Bonstrom, G. Schneider, S. Duncan, T. Crump; Row 3: J. Zupetz, M. Antilla, B. McAdams, M. Hyland, H. Martinsen, G. Polich, T. Anderson, R. Mickelson; Row 4: F. Cox, J. Hartman, G. Heidbrink, D. Niemi, J. Jablonski, J. Langenbruner, W. Blazer, J. Economos; Row 5: R. Kjorlien, G. Milich, M. Filburn, B. Bye, F. Spanish, S. Skildum, J. Olson, R. Knowles; Row 6: M. Watters, S. Wilkowski, E. Hanson; Row 7: Manager J. Dreher, Coach Malosky, Equipment Manager C. Hillman, Coach E. Lundstrom, Coach D. Lacher, Coach J. Hall, Coach N. Ladsten, Manager S. Ramsey.

Balanced running game spearheads 'Dogs' revival

Coach-of-the-Year Malosky guided the Bulldogs back into title contention in 1970 as UMD compiled a 7-2-1 record.

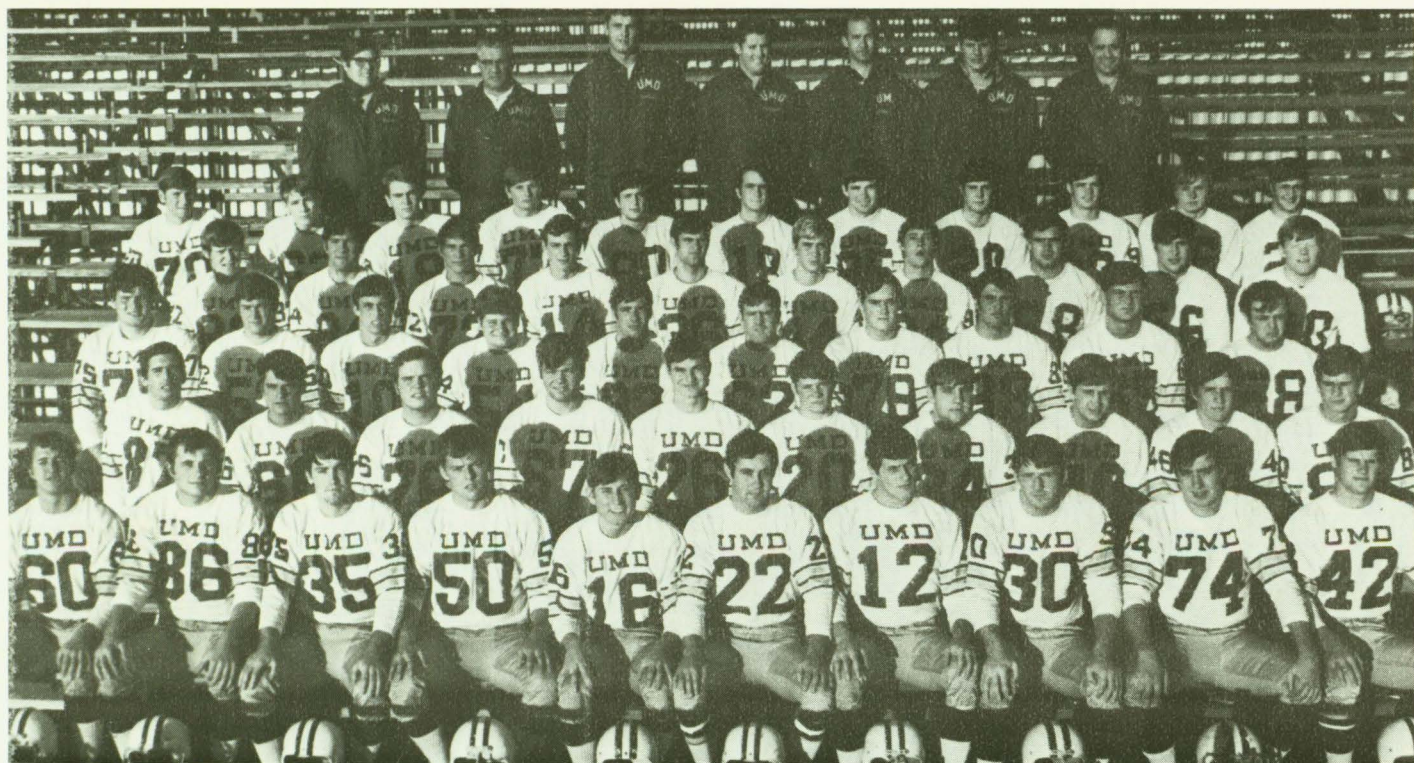
The Bulldogs tuned-up for the vigorous MIAC slate with non-conference wins over Superior State and Moorhead State before meeting Concordia at home in what was billed as an early season showdown between two of the conference favorites. Although the Bulldogs won the battle with a 14-8 victory, they lost the war as the Cobbers went on to win the MIAC championship. However, a disappointing 22-18 loss to St. John's came on the heels of the win over Concordia and was costly in the Bulldogs' attempt to capture the MIAC title.

To say Malosky's running attack in 1970 was balanced is an understatement as the top three rushers—fullback Bob Froehle, halfbacks Hank Martinsen and fullback Eric Kaiser—all finished the season within 15 yards of each other! John Zupetz inherited the quarterbacking chores and came through with nearly 900 yards in passing. John Olson was one of the league's finest punters with a 40.7 average and Tom Cady and Daryl Niemi had outstanding years on the line.

1970 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 20, Superior State 0
 UMD 23, MOORHEAD STATE 7
 UMD 14, CONCORDIA 8
 St. John's 22, UMD 18
 UMD 3, ST. THOMAS 0
 UMD 14, MACALESTER 14
 UMD 16, Augsburg 15
 Gustavus Adolphus 41, UMD 15
 UMD 14, HAMLINE 0
 UMD 16, St. Cloud State 10

Overall Record: 7-2-1
 MIAC Record: 4-2-1 (4th place)
 Captains: Tom Cady and Slats Fairbanks



1970 Football Team (Front row, left to right): M. Lundgren, M. Hyland, H. Martinsen, T. Cady, S. Fairbanks, G. Schneider, D. Daly, B. Froehle, T. Swiderski, G. Polich; Row 2: F. Cox, J. Stucco, J. Hartman, B. McAdams, J. Olson, T. Anderson, J. Jablonski, P. Furo, R. Mickelson, B. Knowles; Row 3: D. Niemi, W. Blazei, J. Zupetz, S. Hanna, S. Duncan, M. Watters, E. Hanson, J. Economos, S. Skildum, C. Cluka; Row 4: D. Week, G. Udjur, J. Rentschler, G. Milich, E. Kaiser, B. Bye, K. Johnson, N. Bonstrom, J. Christiansen, S. Lyons; Row 5: R. Hogue, L. Laursen, D. McKibbon, W. Vasil, S. Taran, T. Moynihan, M. Staum, B. Gardner, B. Spray, S. Wilkowski, F. Spanish; Row 6: Manager J. Dreher, Equipment Manager C. Hillman, Coach N. Ladsten, Coach B. Lippitt, Trainer D. Roach, Coach J. Hall, Coach Malosky.

Stingy Bulldog defense records four shutouts

1971 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

- UMD 10, SUPERIOR STATE 0
- UMD 14, Moorhead State 14
- Hamline 10, UMD 7
- UMD 13, Concordia 0
- UMD 22, ST. JOHN'S 21
- UMD 14, St. Thomas 0
- UMD 16, Macalester 7
- UMD 38, AUGSBURG 0
- GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 18, UMD 12
- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee 13, UMD 0

Overall Record: 6-3-1
 MIAC Record: 5-2 (3rd place)
 Captains: John Zupetz and Pete Furo

The Bulldogs strung together a five-game winning streak in the middle portion of the 1971 season, but an end-of-the-year showdown with eventual MIAC champion Gustavus Adolphus resulted in an 18-12 Gustie victory, sinking UMD into third place in the conference with a 5-2 log.

After a win and a tie in non-conference action to open the season, the Bulldogs were dealt a severe blow when Hamline upended UMD 10-7 in the first MIAC game of the season. Led by an experienced backfield, the Bulldogs then put together the five-game winning streak which included a nail-biting 22-21 victory over St. John's.

Defense was the name of the game for the '71 'Dogs as UMD recorded four shutouts in its six victories and only once—the 22-21 win over St. John's—yielded more than 18 points in a game!

Quarterback John Zupetz tacked on 695 yards through the air to thrust himself into third place on UMD's all-time leading quarterback list. Fullback Eric Kaiser won the team rushing title with 436 yards, one yard more than versatile halfback John Olson, who also led the team in scoring with 34 points and was once again one of small college's best punters (2,400 yards on 66 punts; 36.4 average).



1971 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): B. McAdams, J. Stocco, T. Anderson, G. Polich, R. Mickelson, P. Furo, J. Zupetz, J. Olson, S. Duncan, D. Niemi; Row 2: E. Hanson, E. Kaiser, B. Knowles, J. Jablonski, G. Milich, S. Hanna, S. Wilkowski, D. Weeks, M. Watters; Row 3: T. Moynihan, M. Staum, G. Udjur, S. Lyons, J. Christiansen, S. Skildum, F. Spanish, J. Economos, unidentified; Row 4: T. Borgren, W. Vasil, B. Gardner, W. Blazei, L. Laursen, D. McKibbin, R. Hogue, J. Rentschler, S. Taran; Row 5: B. Spray, unidentified, R. Tafelski, R. Walton, Z. Taran, C. Cluka, unidentified, unidentified; Row 6: unidentified, M. Briggs, C. Viola, B. Becklin, unidentified, M. Johnson, unidentified, J. Mielke, K. Ulrich; Row 7: D. Roach (trainer), Coach Malosky, N. Ladsten (assistant coach), A. Holland (assistant coach), M. Lundgren (assistant coach), B. Lippitt (assistant coach).

McKibbon's arm leads to mid-season surge

The Bulldogs' pre-season hopes of challenging for the MIAC title were quickly erased as UMD bowed to Moorhead State and Gustavus after opening the season with another shutout victory over Superior.

Undaunted, however, the Bulldogs won four of their next five games, including two nip-and-tuck contests against Concordia (10-9) and St. Thomas (21-19). UMD's bid to finish second in the conference fell short when Augsburg grabbed the season finale by a 28-27 count.

The Bulldogs' running game was again a potpourri of equally skilled backs as five players finished in triple figures, led by rushing king Tim Moynihan. Freshman Terry Egerdahl, third in the team rushing stats, was the club's leading receiver, followed closely by John Economos. Quarterback Darrell McKibbon came into his own in '72 as he set a school record for pass completion percentage by hitting on 48 of 85 attempts (.565), a record that stood for 10 years until being surpassed by Bruce Grant's .596 success rate in 1982.

Scott Hanna, currently an assistant football coach and head baseball coach at UMD, was the Bulldogs' top lineman in 1972.

1972 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 12, University of Wisconsin-Superior 0

MOORHEAD STATE 14, UMD 6

Gustavus Adolphus 17, UMD 12

UMD 49, HAMLINE 13

UMD 10, CONCORDIA 9

St. John's 34, UMD 0

UMD 21, ST. THOMAS 19

UMD 56, MACALESTER 0

Augsburg 28, UMD 27

Overall Record: 5-4

MIAC Record: 4-3 (tie for 3rd place)

Captain: Steve Skildum



1972 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): E. Hanson, J. Jablonski, J. Economos, S. Hanna, G. Polich, S. Skildum, B. Bye, F. Spanish, G. Milich; Row 2: T. Moynihan, G. Johnson, J. Rentschler, B. Gardner, T. Borgren, D. McKibbon, L. Laursen, R. Walton, D. Lueck; Row 3: C. Cluka, B. Spray, E. Kaiser, G. Udjur, S. Lyons, J. Christiansen, W. Vasil, M. Staum, T. Egerdahl, R. Hogue; Row 4: C. Viola, M. Johnson, B. Becklin, R. Tafelski, J. Ridinger, M. Briggs, J. Tongen, J. Bye, S. Opehim; Row 5: R. Barnett, D. Kusnierek, K. Ulrich, J. Casey, F. Potter, M. Briggs; Row 6: C. Hillman (equipment manager), A. Decker (assistant coach), Coach Malosky, B. Hall (trainer), M. Nierengarten (trainer), D. Roach (head trainer).

Six-game win streak gives Bulldogs tie for title

1973 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 29, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN—
SUPERIOR 0

UMD 7, Michigan Tech 0
AUGSBURG 14, UMD 12
UMD 14, GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 13
UMD 17, Hamline 13
UMD 16, Concordia 13
UMD 28, ST. JOHN'S 12
UMD 30, St. Thomas 13
UMD 21, Macalester 0

Overall Record: 8-1

MIAC Record: 6-1 (tied for 1st place)

Captains: Darrell McKibbon, Scott Lyons,
and Eric Kaiser

The drought finally ended for the Bulldogs as the MIAC championship was brought to UMD for the first time since 1961! UMD had to share the title, however, with St. Thomas as both teams suffered just one loss all season.

The season opened with a 29-0 whitewashing over UW-Superior, the fifth straight year the Bulldogs had shutout the Yellowjackets! Following another non-conference victory (and another shutout—7-0 over Michigan Tech), the Bulldogs were upset by Augsburg in a 14-12 duel, which proved to be UMD's only loss of the season.

The Bulldogs prevailed in their final six games of the season, but nothing came easy as evidenced by the scores—14-13 over Gustavus Adolphus, 17-13 over Hamline, and 16-12 over Concordia. In the pivotal game of the season, the Bulldogs ran all over St. Thomas in a 30-13 triumph!

Eric Kaiser again led the Bulldogs in rushing with 672 yards, but sophomore Terry Egerdahl was beginning to make his mark as he churned up 605 yards. A freshman halfback debuted in 1973, Ted McKnight, in the dawn of a career that would lead him to the National Football League!

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1973 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): L. Laursen, J. Rentschler, T. Moynihan, D. McKibbon, S. Lyons, E. Kaiser, W. Vasil, G. Johnson, B. Spray, B. Gardner; Row 2: J. Christiansen, J. Casey, J. Bye, J. Tongen, T. Egerdahl, G. Udjur, M. Staum, R. Hogue, K. Ulrich; Row 3: G. Heidebrink, D. Mitchell, unidentified, M. Milberger, R. Tafelski, B. Becklin, M. Johnson, C. Viola, D. Kusnierek; Row 4: M. Waterhouse, J. Farchmin, N. Turk, P. Kubat, K. Duwaller, Dan Battaglia, T. Treichel, T. McKnight; Row 5: T. Mattila, M. Hickey, S. Sundquist, M. Enderle, L. Abrahamson, R. Buria, T. Thompson, K. Anderson, J. Ridinger, F. Potter; Row 6: C. Hillman (equipment manager), Coach Malosky, S. Hanna (assistant coach), T. Anderson (assistant coach), J. Economos (assistant coach), S. Skildum (assistant coach), M. Nierengarten (trainer), A. Cassabone (manager).

Championship eludes Bulldogs despite 6 shutouts

If ever there was a frustrating year in Coach Malosky's first quarter-century of coaching at UMD, it had to be 1974 when the Bulldogs posted a creditable 7-2-1 record, but had to be satisfied with a tie for third in the MIAC race.

Concordia and St. John's tied for the MIAC crown, but UMD defeated both clubs on successive weekends—15-0 over the Johnnies and 14-10 over the Cobbers—to take the lead with a perfect record heading into the final three weeks of the season.

But Augsburg upset the Bulldogs 7-6 and the following weekend UMD could do no better than a 0-0 tie with Hamline. Still, the Bulldogs needed only to beat winless St. Olaf in the last game of the year to win the MIAC championship. But the Oles dealt the Bulldogs a stunning 7-0 loss, and the champagne was put back into storage.

Nonetheless, it was an outstanding year for a pair of UMD's all-time great running backs—Terry Egerdahl and Ted McKnight—who each collected over 700 yards on the ground. The stellar Bulldog defense posted five more shutouts, and never allowed more than 14 points in any one game. Safety Mark Johnson became the first player in UMD history to win All-American status.

1974 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 20, University of Wisconsin-Superior 14
 UMD 20, University of Minnesota-Morris 0
 UMD 22, Gustavus Adolphus 0
 UMD 20, ST. CLOUD STATE 14
 UMD 6, MACALESTER 0
 UMD 15, St. John's 0
 UMD 14, CONCORDIA 0
 Augsburg 7, UMD 6
 UMD 0, Hamline 0
 St. Olaf 7, UMD 0

Overall Record: 7-2-1
 MIAC Record: 4-2-1 (tie for 3rd place)
 Captain: Mark Johnson



1974 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): B. Huima, B. Johnson, S. Sundquist, R. Tafelski, M. Johnson, B. Becklin, K. Ulrich, J. Tongen, T. Egerdahl, J. Bye; Row 2: B. McDonough, K. Anderson, J. Farchmin, N. Turk, M. Milberger, L. Abrahamson, N. Patronas, W. Waterhouse, D. Kusnierek, B. Madar; Row 3: R. Buria, Dave Battaglia, L. Oling, P. Kubat, A. Holmes, K. Dauwaller, R. Thompson, J. Castonguay, M. Davies, M. Kaiser; Row 4: D. Wood, C. Newman, D. Rowland, J. Ridinger, Dan Battaglia, T. Mensing, D. Nelson, S. Canakes, P. Baroni, K. Conrad; Row 5: J. Ridinger, T. Treichel, D. Hoffman, M. Spencer, D. Clement, R. Norton, S. Moreland, T. McKnight; Row 6: D. Roach (trainer), C. Hillman (equipment manager), A. Cassabone (manager), A. Holland (assistant coach), M. Staum (assistant coach), Coach Malosky.

Malosky wins 100th . . . Egerdahl shines . . . 'Dogs leave MIAC . . .

1975 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

- UMD 34, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-SUPERIOR 6
- UMD 22, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA-MORRIS 13
- UMD 28, GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS 0
- St. Cloud State 34, UMD 16
- UMD 13, Macalester 7
- ST. JOHN'S 13, UMD 10
- UMD 10, Concordia 6
- UMD 16, AUGSBURG 3
- UMD 38, Hamline 6
- UMD 14, ST. OLAF 6

Overall Record: 8-2
 MIAC Record: 6-1 (2nd place)
 Captain: Terry Egerdahl

1975 marked the end of an era for the Bulldogs as they competed in the MIAC for their 26th and final season by finishing second with a 6-1 conference record and 8-2 overall log.

A mid-season grudge match with St. John's turned out to be the Bulldogs' Waterloo as the Johnnies escaped the confines of Griggs Field with a 13-10 victory, the only MIAC loss of the year for UMD.

Malosky's knack for developing a stingy defense continued in '75 as the Bulldogs held their opponents to seven or less points seven times!

Captain Terry Egerdahl became the first Bulldog runner in history to reach 800 yards in a season and also the second player in history to be accorded Little All-American honors. Egerdahl closed out his career at UMD as the only player to accumulate more than 2,000 rushing yards in a career (2,565), and he also held school records in points scored (266), touchdowns (37), pass receptions (111), pass receiving yardage (1,425), and total offense (2,638).

UMD's 38-6 win over Hamline in the second to last game of the year marked Malosky's 100th victory as coach of the Bulldogs!



1975 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): D. Wood, T. McKnight, Dave Battaglia, Dan Battaglia, J. Bye, K. Conrad, T. Egerdahl, B. Becklin, M. Milberger, J. Tongen, J. Castonguay, L. Oling; Row 2: P. Kubat, R. Thornton, M. Spencer, J. Farchmin, N. Patronas, L. Abrahamson, B. McDonough, T. Thompson, T. Treichel, M. Waterhouse, D. Hoffman; Row 3: S. Sundquist, E. McDonald, B. Grealish, S. Johnson, D. LeTourneau, B. Bloomquist, R. Buria, D. Lien, K. Dauwalter, G. Lennartson, L. Schulz; Row 4: R. Ollila, K. Mollberg, J. Astin, M. Davies, M. Spencer, D. Clement, S. Canakes, D. Nelson, B. Johnson, D. Eaton; Row 5: R. Bryan, D. Dock, M. Johnson, G. Jay, D. Fish, D. Weber, R. Fredin, K. Seaman; Row 6: D. Griffin, L. Kennedy, S. Kazle, C. Studley, K. Fleissner, M. Dorn; Row 7: N. Ladsten (assistant coach), D. Roach (trainer), M. Johnson (assistant coach), D. McKibbin (assistant coach), Coach Malosky, A. Holland (assistant coach).

McKnight shatters records as 'Dogs return to NIC

The Bulldogs return to the Northern Intercollegiate Conference, a conference they left in 1947 after being one of the original members in 1932, was celebrated with a 40-0 victory over Winona State.

The pivotal game of the year for the Bulldogs came at Morris where the eventual champion Cougars battered the Bulldogs 35-6 enroute to the NIC title. The Bulldogs also lost a tough 14-13 decision to nemesis Moorhead State, but finished the year with a respectable 7-3 mark, 5-2 in the conference, tied with Michigan Tech for second place. UMD earned the tie with Tech by defeating the Huskies 21-14 in the final game of the season.

This was the year Ted McKnight came into the spotlight as the senior running back nearly doubled Terry Egerdahl's school record for most yards rushing in a season. McKnight accumulated 1,482 yards, scored 24 touchdowns and 144 points, and became UMD's all-time leading rusher with 2,957 yards! He became UMD's third Little All-American the year after Egerdahl received the same honor!

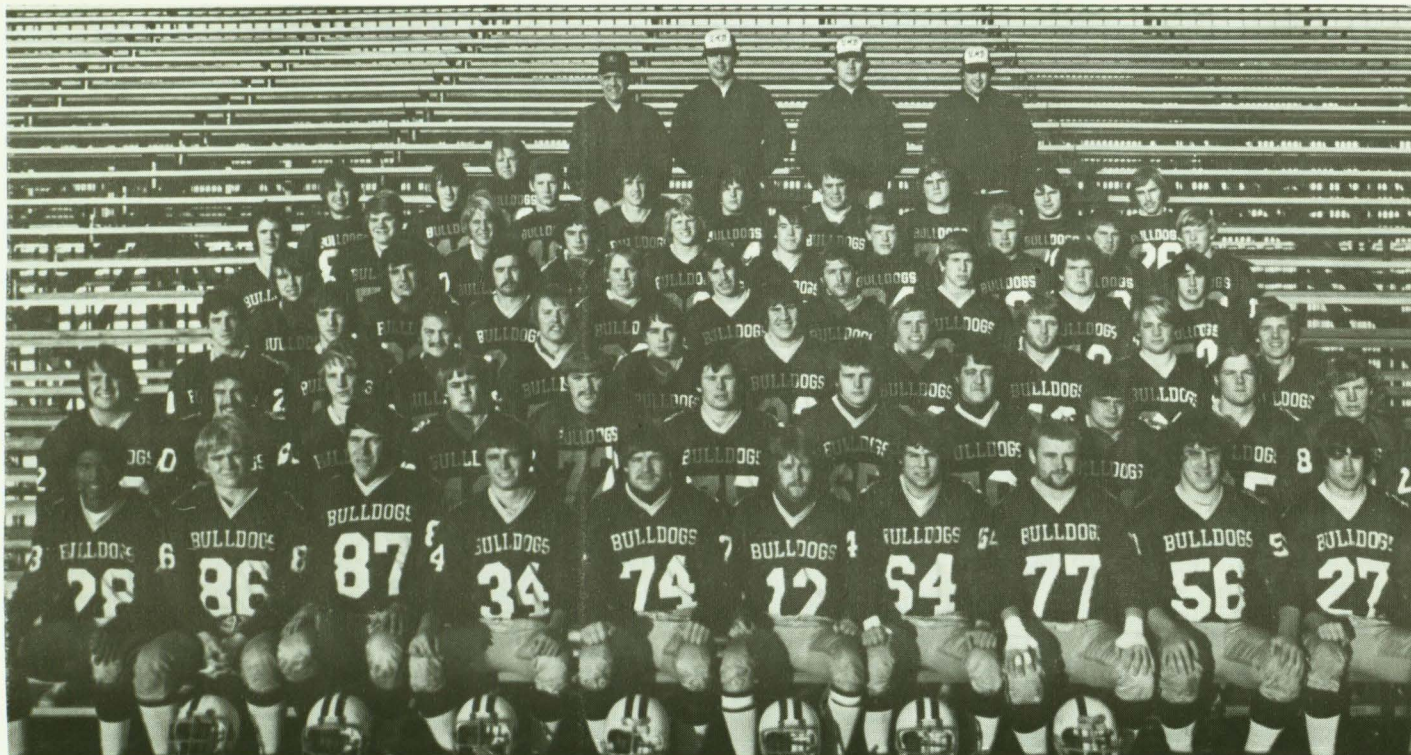
Bulldozing Ray Buria also had a spectacular year for the 'Dogs as he gained over 500 yards on the ground and led the team in receiving as well.

1976 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 40, Winona State 0
UMD 35, University of Wisconsin-Superior 7

*ST. CLOUD 10, UMD 0
Northern Michigan 44, UMD 0
University of Minnesota-Morris 35, UMD 6
UMD 70, SOUTHWEST STATE 0
UMD 42, BEMIDJI STATE 13
UMD 24, ST. THOMAS 0
Moorhead State 14, UMD 13
UMD 21, MICHIGAN TECH 14
*Game forfeited to UMD

Overall Record: 7-3
NIC Record: 5-2 (tie for 2nd place)
Captain: Pat Kubat



1976 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): T. McKnight, S. Sundquist, D. Griffin, J. Farchmin, P. Kubat, R. Thompson, K. Dauwalter, M. Milberger, L. Abrahamson, R. Thornton; Row 2: L. Schulz, M. Waterhouse, R. Ollila, B. Larson, G. Jay, D. LeTourneau, S. Johns, C. Studley, T. Treichel, D. Hoffman, M. Lind; Row 3: D. Clement, J. Northey, M. Spencer, B. Johnson, K. Fleissner, S. Canakes, D. Nelson, J. D. Walker, R. Norton, M. Dorn; Row 4: G. Scheffler, M. Davies, B. McDonough, D. Wrazidlo, J. Jansen, unidentified, M. Tuszka, V. Ekroot, M. Olson; Row 5: R. Fadness, D. Kent, D. Lien, R. Buria, B. Bloomquist, J. Martinson, R. Bodin, J. Watts, D. Stefanowski, A. Bodin; Row 6: B. Mundy, unidentified, D. Daniels, R. Newman, J. Phillips, T. Swanson, S. Edgette, J. Roche, J. Bistodeau, unidentified; Row 7: Coach Malosky, N. Ladsten (assistant coach), B. Mechikoff (assistant coach), B. Becklin (assistant coach).

Malosky harvests another great runner in Bodin

The Bulldogs duplicated their 7-3 record from 1976, but unfortunately all three losses in '77 came in conference play and UMD tied for fourth place in the balanced NIC.

After impressive wins over Michigan Tech and UW-Superior to open the season, the Bulldogs were upset by Bemidji State 21-18 in the conference opener—the only time the Beavers have defeated UMD since the Bulldogs rejoined the NIC in 1976. Another three-point loss two weeks later to Morris thwarted any title hopes the Bulldogs harbored.

Sophomore Amory Bodin was beginning to carve his niche in the history books as he led the team in rushing with 614 yards. Ironically, though, Bodin didn't score a point all year! Jack Martinsen, a hard-driving halfback who finished runner-up to Bodin in the rushing stats, led the club with 56 points, including nine touchdowns.

Cal Barr, who returned two interceptions for touchdowns, joined Dan Hoffman and Dave Nelson on the All-Conference team, and Nelson was also voted the Bulldogs' Most Valuable Lineman and recipient of the E.L. "Duce" Rasmussen Award for outstanding performance on the field and in the classroom.

1977 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

- UMD 28, Michigan Tech 6
 UMD 33, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-SUPERIOR 0
 Bemidji State 21, UMD 18
 UMD 12, St. Cloud State 0
 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA-MORRIS 17, UMD 14
 UMD 49, Southwest State 7
 UMD 21, Mankato State 6
 UMD 20, St. Thomas 0
 MOORHEAD STATE 21, UMD 8
 UMD 43, Winona State 0
- Overall Record: 7-3
 NIC Record: 4-3 (tie for 4th place)
 Captain: Dave Nelson



1977 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): R. Fadness, D. Hoffman, L. Schulz, R. Buria, M. Waterhouse, B. Johnson, D. Nelson, S. Canakes, D. Lien; Row 2: M. Olson, D. Clement, M. Davies, D. LeTourneau, S. Johns, K. Fleissner, M. Dorn, B. Bloomquist; Row 3: J. Vlatkovich, E. McDonald, T. Swanson, G. Scheffler, D. Wrazidlo, D. Daniels, B. Mundy, C. Studley, R. Norton; Row 4: J. Northey, S. Edgette, V. Ekroot, C. Barr, M. Tuszka, R. Newman, R. Bodin, R. Johnson; Row 5: J. Roche, R. Ollila, J. Phillips, D. Kent, S. Rossi, J. Grogan, D. Stefanowski, L. Tafelski, G. Keeler; Row 6: A. Bodin, J. Martinsen, M. Peterson, J. Roche, M. Thomas, S. Ulicsni, J. Leitch, P. Pecchia; Row 7: M. Larson, G. Friedlieb, T. Sacchetti, J. Trudell, J. Schanandone, S. Wolter, J. Gaboury, M. Reger, B. Twaddle; Row 8: T. Emanuel, M. Reamer, R. Roningen, S. Fredrickson, R. Cox, G. Fall, M. Rogers, M. Beard, D. Lewandowski; Row 9: N. Ladsten (assistant coach), S. Lyons (assistant coach), A. Holland (assistant coach), B. Becklin (assistant coach), D. Roach (trainer), Coach Malosky.

Bodin blossoms as 'Dogs finish second

The Bulldogs' knack for coming up with a dominating running back continued as Amory Bodin blossomed into the best all-around player in the NIC. Bodin, a Duluth Central product, rushed for 957 yards, led the conference in scoring with 56 points, and also led the NIC in punting with a 42.4 average.

The year started out well for the Bulldogs as they continued their mastery over UW-Superior with their 16th straight victory over the Yellowjackets before a pair of NIC wins over Bemidji State and Michigan Tech set up a crucial match with NIC favorite Minnesota-Morris. The Cougars clawed their way to a 12-7 victory, and went on to win the league championship with a perfect 8-0 mark. The Bulldogs meanwhile, settled for a second place tie with St. Cloud after the Huskies upended UMD 30-23 in an offensive explosion at mid-season.

Besides Bodin's heroics, five other Bulldogs finished the season with rushing totals in triple figures, and quarterback Roger Ollila tacked on 588 yards through the air.

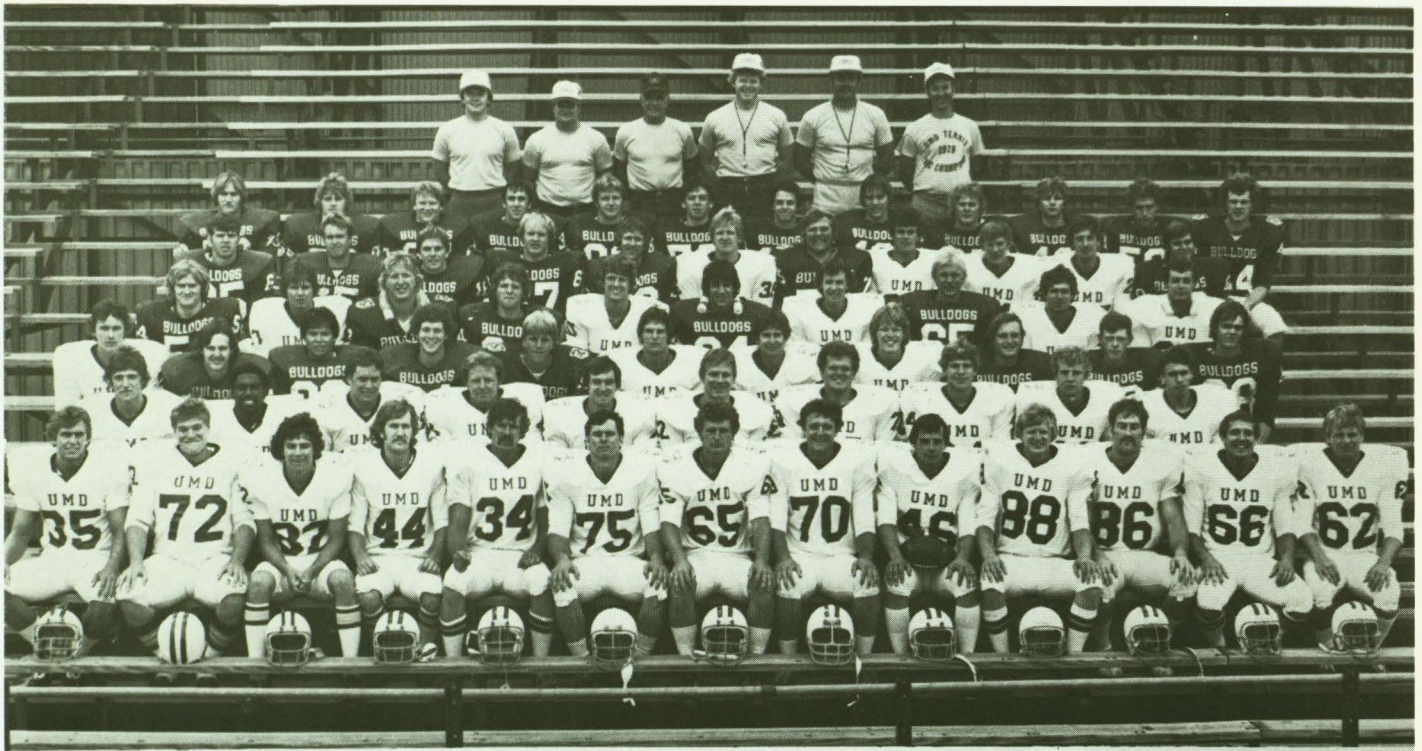
1978 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

- UMD 21, University of Wisconsin-Superior 14
- UMD 42, Bemidji State 0
- UMD 24, MICHIGAN TECH 19
- University of Minnesota-Morris 12, UMD 7
- UMD 26, MANKATO STATE 7
- UMD 57, Southwest State 0
- ST. CLOUD STATE 30, UMD 23
- UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-STOUT 21, UMD 2
- UMD 14, WINONA STATE 0
- UMD 32, Moorhead State 6

Overall Record: 7-3

NIC Record: 6-2 (tie for 2nd place)

Captain: Kelly Fleissner



1978 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): G. Scheffler, D. Kent, M. Peterson, G. Freidlieb, M. Reamer, D. LeTourneau, S. Johns, C. Studley, K. Fleissner, B. Bloomquist, C. Barr, M. Dorn, R. Norton; Row 2: J. Northey, E. McDonald, S. Edgette, D. Daniels, J. Martinsen, D. Wrazidlo, V. Ekroot, M. Tuszka, R. Ollila, J. Jansen; Row 3: B. Twaddle, J. Trudell, J. Schanandore, J. Gaboury, J. Hedin, T. Swanson, M. Olson, A. Bodin, D. Lewandowski, R. Bodin; Row 4: B. Mundy, S. Fredrickson, M. Larson, S. Wolter, J. Vlatkovich, G. Keeler, D. Norlander, R. Johnson, M. Rogers; Row 5: B. Jensen, R. Roningen, D. Katoski, D. Smith, S. Gehrman, L. Tafelski, M. Thomas, S. Ulicsni, T. Lawrence, J. Leitch, S. Sargeant; Row 6: B. Havron, S. Abrahamson, B. Bunger, T. Stoll, M. Kroll, P. Sever, M. Gilbert, J. Nelson, J. Baublitz, T. Visina, J. Docter, M. Johnson; Row 7: V. Repesch (assistant coach), S. Hanna (assistant coach), Coach Malosky, S. Lyons (assistant coach), N. Ladsten (assistant coach), D. Roach (trainer).

Bulldogs crush Moorhead to tie for NIC crown

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1979 SCOREBOARD

(Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 49, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-SUPERIOR 0

UMD 40, BEMIDJI STATE 3

UMD 17, Michigan Tech 7

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA-

MORRIS 19, UMD 17

UMD 21, Mankato State 7

UMD 37, SOUTHWEST STATE 0

UMD 14, St. Cloud State 6

University of Wisconsin-Stout 13, UMD 0

UMD 39, Winona State 17

UMD 34, MOORHEAD STATE 8

Overall Record: 8-2

NIC Record: 7-1 (tie for 1st place)

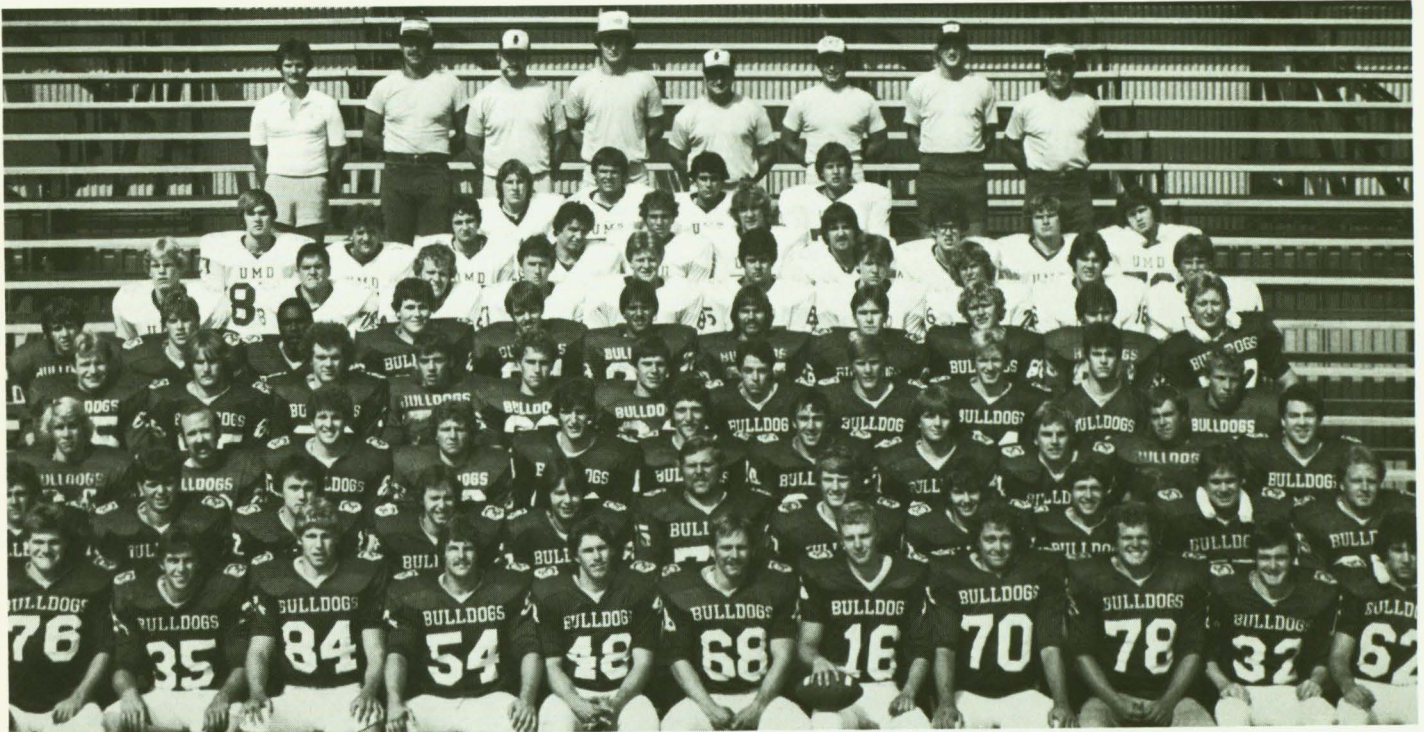
Captain: Roger Ollila

The 1979 season came down to the final game of the year as far as Bulldog backers were concerned. UMD had put together a 7-2 record heading into that final contest against Moorhead State, and the Dragons resting in first place one game ahead of the Bulldogs. But Moorhead had to be content with sharing the NIC championship with UMD as the Bulldogs crushed the Dragons 34-6.

After three impressive wins to open the season, Minnesota-Morris stunned the Bulldogs 19-17, which turned out to be the team's only NIC loss of the year. Only a non-conference loss to Stout blemished the Bulldogs' streak the rest of the way.

The offense was led by running back Tom Stoll, who netted 897 yards on the ground, and by quarterback Roger Ollila, who moved into the top five in UMD's all-time leading quarterback statistics. Jack Martinsen also had an outstanding year gaining 573 yards on the ground and leading the team with 16 receptions for 241 yards.

Following the loss to Stout, the Bulldogs defeated Winona and Moorhead to close out the season and begin a string of 20 consecutive victories that would stretch over three seasons.



1979 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): D. Kent, G. Scheffler, M. Tuszka, T. Swanson, J. Jansen, D. Wrazidlo, R. Ollila, C. Studley, V. Ekroot, J. Martinsen, J. Vlatkovich; Row 2: B. Hanson, B. Jensen, B. Twaddle, G. Keeler, B. Mundy, M. Thomas, S. Wolter, M. Olson, R. Johnson, S. Edgette, D. Daniels; Row 3: R. Faye, J. Brostrom, J. Gaboury, M. Larson, S. Mensing, J. Northey, T. Stoll, T. Visina, D. Katoski, R. Riningen, G. Kolodge; Row 4: M. Kroll, B. Havron, M. Johnson, P. Sever, M. Docter, S. Sargeant, M. Gilbert, T. Lawrence, L. Tafelski, S. Ulicsni, S. Ollila; Row 5: M. Swarz, S. Abrahamson, E. McDonald, G. Birkholz, M. Brugman, P. Bachinski, J. Kessler, T. Cook, R. Ekroot, J. Gieseke, S. Frederickson; Row 6: D. Thormodsgaard, C. Nasvik, M. Picott, M. Johnson, S. Graham, M. Leutem, S. Bodin, B. Henderson, B. Grant, T. Hervas; Row 7: L. Norgren, T. Gilchrist, T. Kearney, B. Ross, D. Holt, S. Kohlts, K. Redmond, K. Mollberg, R. Ekroot, G. Radziej; Row 8: C. Johnson, C. Roningen, A. Lynch, E. Harstad; Row 9: C. Huntley (trainer), N. Ladsten (assistant coach), M. Milberger (assistant coach), S. Johns (assistant coach), S. Hanna (assistant coach), V. Repesch (assistant coach), B. Bloomquist (assistant coach), Coach Malosky.

UNDEFEATED!

The 1980 UMD football team became the first—and only—Bulldog team to complete an undefeated, untied season as it swept through its 10-game schedule with ease.

In fact, except for a tight 24-21 victory over Minnesota-Morris which turned out to be the game which decided the NIC championship, the Bulldogs' closest game was a 17-point victory over Northwestern (Orange City, IA).

For the second season in a row, the 'Dogs opened the season with a 49-0 win over the outmanned Yellowjackets of UW—Superior, which tuned UMD up for the crucial match with Morris the following weekend. After the victory at Morris, only one more time did an opposing team manage to score in double figures against the Bulldogs' hammering defense.

UMD set 10 team records in 1980, and Amory Bodin, returning after sitting out the 1979 season with an injury, became just the second player in UMD history to rush for more than 1,000 yards in a season (1,057).

Bodin and Stoll joined Mike Thomas, Craig Nasvik, Tom Lawrence, and Tom Swanson on the All-NIC team, the largest contingent of Bulldogs ever selected to the All-NIC team in any one year. Thomas was also named to the Little All-American third team as an offensive tackle.

1980 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 49, University of Wisconsin-Superior 0

UMD 24, University of Minnesota-Morris 21

UMD 38, MANKATO STATE 6

UMD 24, Northwestern 7

UMD 28, Southwest State 7

UMD 35, ST. CLOUD STATE 12

UMD 55, Bemidji State 7

UMD 38, WINONA STATE 0

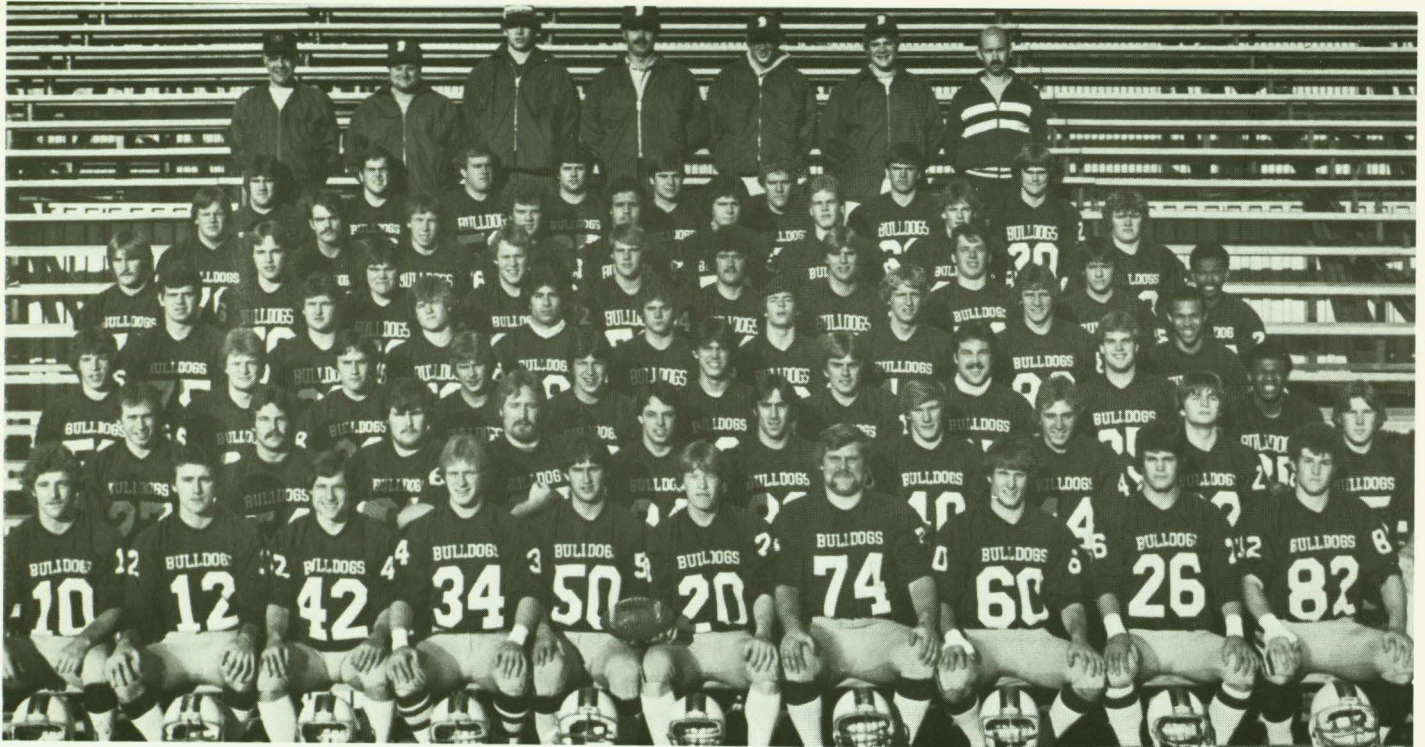
UMD 32, Moorhead State 9

UMD 31, NORTHERN STATE 7

Overall Record: 10-0

NIC Record: 8-0 (1st place)

Captain: Amory Bodin



1980 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): J. Northey, B. Twaddle, R. Johnson, L. Tafelski, M. Olson, A. Bodin, M. Thomas, S. Wolter, S. Ulicsni, J. Gaboury; Row 2: G. Keeler, T. Swanson, G. Birkholz, S. Fredrickson, M. Gilbert, T. Stoll, T. Lawrence, J. Crawford, T. Visina, C. Johnson; Row 3: M. LaVenture, S. Graham, M. Johnson, B. Henderson, M. Kucza, B. Grant, D. Katoski, G. Kolodge, Judd Fraham, C. Kennemer; Row 4: B. Jensen, M. Nelson, S. McGuire, J. Green, S. Marshall, B. Nelson, M. Ogren, S. Kohlts, G. Giles; Row 5: B. Havron, G. Simmons, S. McGuire, B. Dunsmoor, Jeff Fraham, B. Nelson, J. Scheffler, P. Sever, D. Bretting, P. Curry; Row 6: D. Schleuter, M. Bruggman, S. Ollila, M. Johnson, S. Sargeant, M. Newell, D. Thormodsgaard, M. Fadness, R. Ekroot; Row 7: B. Hanson, C. Nasvik, R. Roningen, M. Leutem, S. Sargeant, M. Picott, C. Roningen, B. Ahlgren; Row 8: Coach Malosky, M. Tuszka (assistant coach), N. Ladsten (assistant coach), B. Bloomquist (assistant coach), D. Kent (assistant coach), D. Roach (trainer).

20-game win streak snapped by Moorhead

Except for the perfect 10-0 season the year before, 1981's 9-1 record was the second best record in UMD history, but it was that lone loss that will always linger on as one of the most bitter defeats UMD has ever endured.

The Bulldogs were gaining national attention as they continued to build on their winning streak that began two seasons before. Eight games into the season UMD was marching toward a second straight unbeaten, untied season as Moorhead State visited Griggs Field in what surely would decide the NIC championship.

To say the Bulldogs fell hard is an understatement as the Dragons surprisingly but totally dominated UMD in a 29-0 contest. Moorhead State won the title and the Bulldogs fell to second.

Again it was Tom Stoll and Boyd Hanson chugging through the opposition with Hanson winning the team rushing title from Stoll 886-766. Quarterback Bruce Grant established himself as one of the best at his position in all of small college football as he became just the second player in Bulldog history to pass for more than 1,000 yards in a season! Wide receiver Gene Giles danced through secondaries like a deer and averaged more than 37 yards per catch.

1981 SCOREBOARD

(Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 68, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-SUPERIOR 23

UMD 23, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA-MORRIS 7

UMD 21, Mankato State 9

UMD 27, Northwestern 6

UMD 32, SOUTHWEST STATE 3

UMD 10, St. Cloud State 7

UMD 21, BEMIDJI STATE 3

UMD 49, Winona State 10

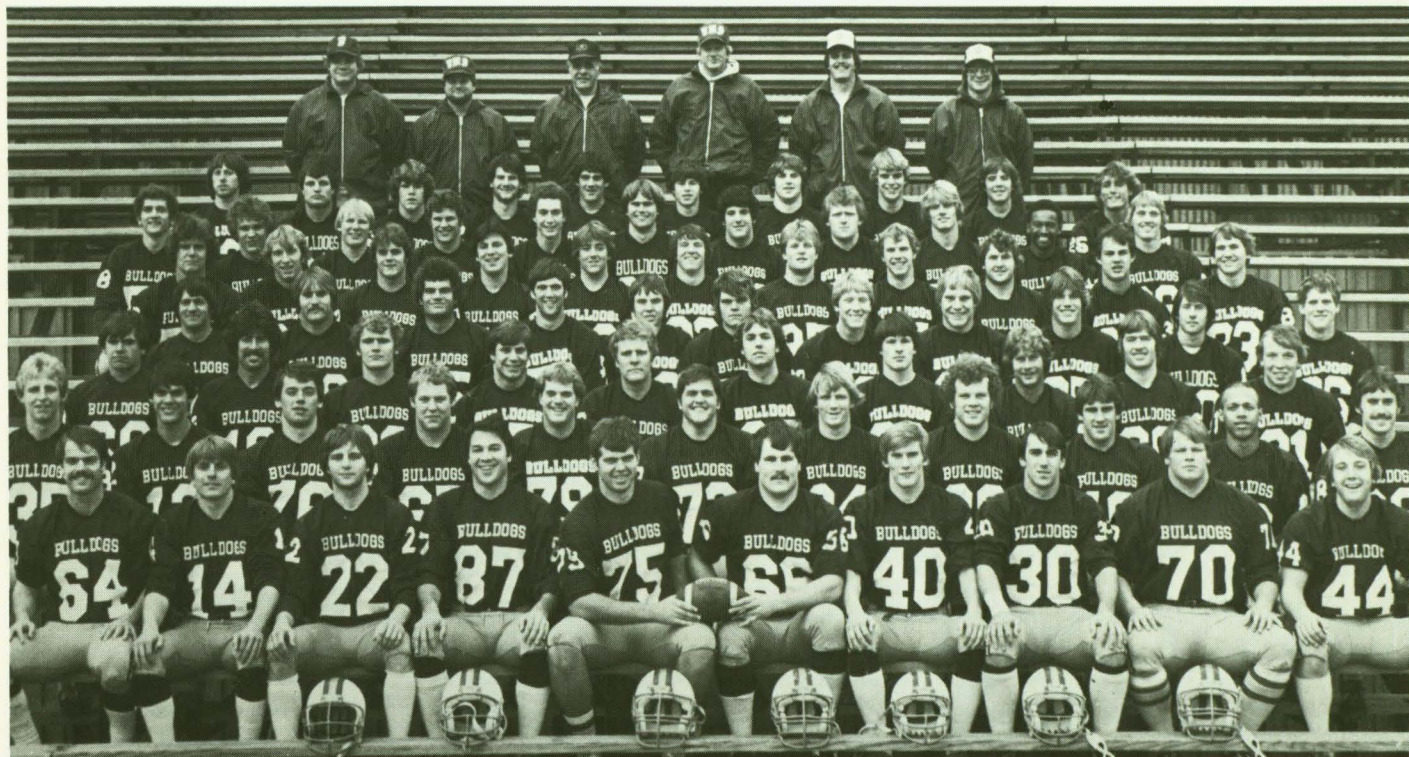
MOORHEAD STATE 29, UMD 0

UMD 44, Northern State 10

Overall Record: 9-1

NIC Record: 5-1 (2nd place)

Captain: Tom Lawrence



1981 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): M. Brugman, D. Katoski, T. Visina, G. Kolodge, B. Jensen, G. Birkholz, T. Lawrence, T. Stoll, D. Schlueter, J. Crawford; Row 2: M. Ogren, B. Grant, P. Sever, B. Dunsmoor, Judd Frahm, C. Nasvik, M. Fadness, M. Johnson, B. Hanson, G. Giles, M. Johnson; Row 3: C. Roningén, J. Green, R. Ekroot, S. Sargeant, M. Picott, B. Street, R. Backlund, B. Henderson, K. Luoma, S. Ollila; Row 4: D. Bretting, B. Havron, T. Bergstedt, G. Irons, S. Johnson, S. McGuire, J. Donovan, N. Manty, J. DeRoche, K. Jugasek, K. Boily; Row 5: M. Newell, C. Koss, S. Marshall, M. Kucza, J. DeRungs, M. Sunnarborg, S. Graham, D. Keeler, M. Nelson, S. Peterson, K. Kretschmer; Row 6: S. Rue, E. Coulter, J. Richards, R. Ebner, M. Raarup, B. Ahlgren, R. Keenelly, J. Lowen, M. Hall, P. Curry, G. Saarela; Row 7: S. Ahlers, B. Makala, S. Carlson, B. LaFontaine, R. Capra, C. Gaegre, S. Abrahamson, J. Scheffler, S. Eklund, M. Weiss; Row 8: D. Kent (assistant coach), S. Hanna (assistant coach), Coach Malosky, B. Becklin (assistant coach), S. Ulicni (assistant coach), K. Fleissner (assistant coach).

Winning tradition continues; Grant rewrites record book

As expected, the NIC championship boiled down to the intense rivalry between the Bulldogs and Moorhead State. UMD had won three of its first four games heading into the Moorhead contest, the lone loss coming at Northern Michigan. The season opener against UW-Superior was Coach Malosky's 150th career coaching victory!

The Moorhead game was a topsy-turvy affair with the lead exchanging hands several times. However, the Bulldogs were victimized by some crucial injuries during the contest, particularly to Gene Giles and Craig Nasvik, and the homestanding Dragons pulled away to a 30-20 triumph.

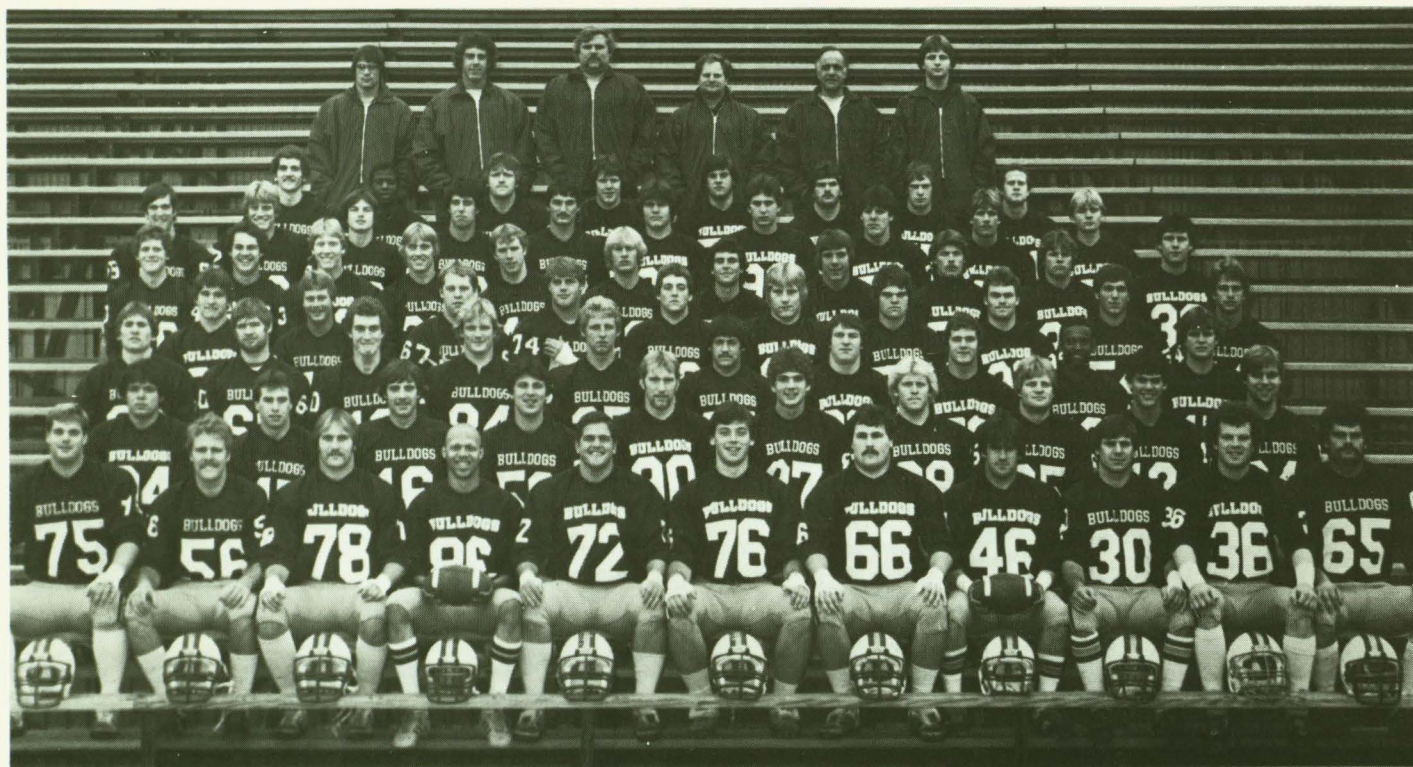
Boyd Hanson led the Bulldogs in rushing with 768 yards, moving him into fourth place on the all-time rushing roster with 2,575 yards. Quarterback Bruce Grant had a record shattering season as he eclipsed eight school records and became UMD's all-time leading quarterback—with still a year of eligibility left in 1983!

The line play was once again dominated by Gary Birkholz, who was shuffled from guard to center and back, and Craig Nasvik, but Brad Havron emerged as one of the league's outstanding linesmen as well.

1982 SCOREBOARD (Home Games in Capital Letters)

UMD 39, University of Wisconsin-Superior 3
Northern Michigan 48, UMD 21
UMD 42, MANKATO STATE 17
UMD 51, SOUTHWEST STATE 13
Moorhead State 30, UMD 20
UMD 32, WINONA STATE 8
UMD 35, University of Minnesota-Morris 17
UMD 30, NORTHERN STATE 7
UMD 28, Bemidji State 0

Overall Record: 7-2
NIC Record: 6-1 (2nd place)
Captain: Boyd Hanson



1982 Football Team (Front Row, left to right): Judd Frahm, M. Picott, B. Havron, G. Giles, C. Nasvik, P. Sever, G. Birkholz, B. Hanson, S. Sargeant, M. Johnson, T. Bergstedt; Row 2: P. Pickering, D. Glowacki, S. Ecklund, M. Kucza, C. Koss, A. Verhel, P. Eid, S. Graham, B. Grant, J. Scheffler; Row 3: K. Kretschmer, K. Luoma, M. Raarup, M. Fadness, M. Ogren, D. Bretting, M. Sunnarborg, S. Marshall, P. Curry, B. McCabe; Row 4: C. Elliott, B. Henderson, B. Dunsmoor, Jeff Frahm, J. DeRungs, N. Manty, S. McGuire, M. Salo, L. Banks, S. Kragseth; Row 5: K. Boily, S. Peterson, J. Donovan, G. Saarela, D. Keeler, T. Peterson, K. Nevala, C. Thomas, M. Wedward, G. Snyder, J. Ingebrand; Row 6: G. Irons, M. Hall, C. Veech, T. Rapps, J. Sajdak, C. Ekroot, J. Facciotto, S. Walsh, K. Falchus, M. Smith; Row 7: S. Rue, R. Berry, J. Lowan, S. Carlson, D. Obermann, J. Ahlbright, T. Prill, J. Campbell; Row 8: K. Fleissner (assistant coach), L. Abrahamson (assistant coach), M. Thomas (assistant coach), S. Hanna (assistant coach), Coach Malosky, T. Visina (assistant coach).

Jim Malosky's Favorite Team



Front Row

Tammy Malosky, 14, will be a sophomore at Central High School; Jim Malosky, 17, will be a senior at Central High School; Linda Malosky, 19, will be a sophomore at St. Olaf College in Northfield.

Back Row

Coach Jim Malosky; Lilah Malosky; Lisa Malosky, 21, will be a senior at St. Olaf College.

