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LYNN NEWTON WCCO RADIO HOMETOWN DAY

Minneapolis, Minn. - Senior freestyle specialist **LYNN NEWTON** and her hometown of **INVER GROVE HEIGHTS, MINN.**, will be honored during the Gold Country Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 4, 1992 as part of the Women's Athletics-WCCO Radio Hometown Days campaign. Newton, a 1988 graduate of Simley High School, has been a vital team member of the women's swimming and diving team since her freshman year.

Ranked 25th in the world in the 1500-meter freestyle, Newton has recorded the season's top times for Minnesota in the 500-, 1000- and 1650-yard freestyle events and the 400 individual medley. She is also a member of the Gophers' fastest 800 free relay team. A member of two NCAA women's swimming and diving championship teams, Newton is a 1990 all-American honorable mention in the 1650 freestyle. She holds the Minnesota varsity records in the 1000 (9:56.27) and 1650 freestyles (16:26.65) and as a member of the 800 free relay (7:26.36). She is a three-time 'M' letterwinner, having scored 758 letter-points during her collegiate career and 129 points at Big Ten conference championship meets through her junior year.

At Simley Senior High School, Newton was named Minnesota Female Swimmer of the Year and Simley High Girl Athlete of the Year during her senior year. She competed six years as a varsity swimmer, lettering each year, and held all Simley High swimming records except for diving and the 100-yard breaststroke. Newton was the state high school girls champion in the 500 freestyle four years in a row and the state champion three times in the 200 freestyle. She is the daughter of Howard and Martha Newton of Inver Grove Heights.



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Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championship Review

GOPHERS THIRD AT BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP

The University of Minnesota was third at the 11th Annual Big Ten Women's Swimming and Diving Championship in Indianapolis, scoring 433 points. Michigan won its sixth straight Big Ten title with 887 points and Northwestern was second with 463.5 points.

The Gophers won two relay team events, two individual events and set two varsity records while four student-athletes made NCAA automatic qualifying times in two events.

COACH'S COMMENTS - "We were happy to finish in third place after the final day of the meet," says head swimming and diving coach Jean Freeman. "Michigan was a much stronger team than we gave them credit for going into the meet."

"The swimmers on our first place 400-yard freestyle relay team - Pam Smith, Laura Herman, Uta Herrmann and Trina Thames - along with Lynn Newton and diver Laurie Nelson, were our outstanding student-athletes of the meet," says Freeman. "Herrmann and Newton (both seniors) had excellent performances in their final Big Ten championship. Every time Smith swam, she kept going faster and faster. Last fall Herman decided she wanted to go the NCAA swimming and diving championships, and she went out and met her goal."

BIG TEN ALL-DECADE TEAM - The Big Ten Conference announced its all-decade swimming and diving team during the conference meet. **LINDA OEGEMA (DEDEMSVAART, THE NETHERLANDS)** was the only Gopher named to the all-decade team. Oegema, the 1989-90 Big Ten champion in the 200- and 400-yard individual medley events, is taking 1991-92 off to train for the Dutch Olympic team. She expects to return to Minnesota this fall for her final year of eligibility.

Throughout 1991-92, all-decade teams for women's volleyball, cross country, field hockey, basketball, gymnastics, swimming and diving, indoor and outdoor track and field, softball, golf and tennis are being selected as part of the Big Ten's year long celebration of the 10th anniversary of women's athletics. Women's athletics were officially incorporated into the Big Ten beginning with the 1981-82 year. A blue ribbon panel of media and conference office representatives selects each all-decade team.

FIRST EVER DIVING CHAMP - Sophomore **LAURIE NELSON (ETOBICOKE, ONTARIO, CANADA)** became Minnesota's first-ever Big Ten diving champion, male or female, when she won the 1-meter diving event with 409.14 points. Nelson, the Gophers' high-point individual at the conference championship, was third in 3-meter diving with 470.07 points and 11th in platform diving with 265.29 points. Nelson was the only Minnesota diver named to the all-Big Ten team.

HERMAN BRINGS HOME A TRIO OF TROPHIES - Junior **LAURA HERMAN (HALES CORNERS, WI/WHITNALL)** earned three conference titles, winning one individual event and two as a member of relay teams. She won the 50-yard freestyle with an NCAA automatic qualifying time of :23.22. Herman was on the winning 200-yard freestyle relay team, which qualified for the NCAA championships with a time of 1:33.28. She also shared in the Big Ten title as a member of the 400-yard free relay with a winning time of 3:24.80. In other relay events, she was second in the 200-yard medley relay (1:43.93) and fourth in the 400 medley relay (3:48.13). Herman was named to the all-Big Ten team at the end of the championship.

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THAMES EARNS PAIR OF TITLES, VARSITY RECORDS - Junior **TRINA THAMES** (EAU CLAIRE, WI/EAU CLAIRE NORTH) was a member of the first place 200-yard freestyle relay team with an NCAA automatic qualifying time of 1:33.28. She also shared in the Big Ten title as a member of the 400-yard free relay with a winning time of 3:24.80.

Thames reset her varsity records in the 100 and 200-yard backstroke events. She broke her 100-yard backstroke Big Ten and varsity record of :56.00 in the finals of the event with a second place time of :55.71. Michigan's Alecia Humphrey set a new Big Ten record with a first place time of :55.28. In the 200-yard backstroke, Thames clocked a Minnesota record with a fourth-place time of 2:02.10, eclipsing her previous record of 2:02.76.

As a member of the 200-yard medley relay, she was second with a time of 1:43.93 and was fourth in the 400 medley relay (3:48.13). In the 50-yard freestyle, Thames was 12th with a time of :23.99. She was one of five Gophers named to the all-Big Ten team at the end of the championship.

SMITH DOUBLES IN FREE RELAYS - Freshman **PAM SMITH** (SPRINGFIELD, IL/SPRINGFIELD SOUTHEAST) was a member of the Big Ten championship 200 and 400-yard free relay teams. The 200-yard freestyle relay qualified for the NCAA championship in March with an automatic qualifying time of 1:33.28. The first swimmer in the 400-yard free relay, Smith set the pace for the rest for the team, with Minnesota clocking a team time of 3:24.80. Smith's lead-off split time of :51.31 is the fastest 100-yard freestyle time turned in this year by a Minnesota swimmer. In the 100-yard freestyle, she was 9th with a time of :51.34, and in the 50-yard freestyle, she was 13th with a time of :24.02. Smith was named to the all-Big Ten team for her championship performances.

HERRMANN WINS PAIR, COMPETES IN SEVEN EVENTS - Senior **UTA HERRMANN** (HERNE, GERMANY) competed in seven events at the Big Ten championship, placing in each of them. Herrmann was on the winning 200-yard freestyle relay team, which qualified for the NCAA championships with a time of 1:33.28. She also shared in the Big Ten title as a member of the 400-yard free relay with a winning time of 3:24.80. In other relay events, Herrmann was second in the 200-yard medley relay (1:43.93) and fourth in the 400 medley relay (3:48.13). She was fourth in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of :23.57 and seventh in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of :51.53. In the 100-yard butterfly, Herrmann clocked Minnesota's best time of the year, :51.53, for a 15th place finish. At the conclusion of the championship, Herrmann was named to the 1991 all-Big Ten team.

SUOMU SCORES FOUR TIMES - Sophomore **SUSAN SUOMU** (WAUKEGAN, IL/WAUKEGAN WEST) placed in three individual and one relay team event at the conference finals. She was fourth in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:50.71, fifth in the 500-yard freestyle after recording a time of 4:53.31 and 11th with a time of 2:03.16 in the 200-yard backstroke. Suomu was a member of the 800-yard freestyle relay which finished in sixth place with a time of 7:31.75.

KABANUK FINDS NEW EVENTS - Junior **KRINA KABANUK** (FARGO, ND/FARGO SOUTH) found herself in a unique situation at the Big Ten championship - she competed for the first time in her life in the 200- and 400-yard individual medley events. Kabanuk scored points in both events, taking 13th place in each. She clocked a time of the 2:07.90 in the 200-yard individual medley and a 4:31.77 in the longer version of the race which features backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle strokes.

As a member of the 800-yard freestyle relay, Kabanuk helped the Gophers place sixth with a time of 7:31.75. Her lead-off split time of 1:53.48 in the 800-yard freestyle relay is Minnesota's second fastest 200-yard freestyle time this year. In the 500-yard freestyle, Kabanuk was 20th with a time of 4:58.44.

NEWTON IN TOP EIGHT - Senior **LYNN NEWTON** (INVER GROVE HEIGHTS, MN/SIMLEY) placed in the top eight in each of her events, including a second place finish in the 1650-yard freestyle with a time of 16:40.22. In the 500-yard freestyle, she was sixth with a time of 4:54.92, and in the 400-yard individual medley, Newton clocked a time of 4:31.91 for an eighth-place mark.

ZELLER VITAL TO MEDLEY RELAYS - Sophomore **KRIS ZELLER** (FARIBAULT, MN/FARIBAULT) was a vital member of Minnesota's 200- and 400-yard medley relay teams at the conference championship, swimming the breaststroke portion of each of the relays. As a member of the 200-yard medley relay, she was second with a time of 1:43.93 and was fourth in the 400 medley relay with a time of 3:48.13.

In the 100-yard breaststroke, Zeller clocked a time of 1:06.66 for a 15th-place finish and was 25th in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:25.25). She placed 26th in the 200-yard individual medley (2:09.61).

NIEDENFUER SCORES IN TWO EVENTS - Senior **STACEY NIEDENFUER** (ALEXANDRIA, MN/JEFFERSON) earned points for Minnesota in two events - the 50-yard freestyle and the 800-yard freestyle relay. During the preliminaries of the 50-yard freestyle, Niedenfuer and Rachael Hath of Michigan State tied for 16th place after both clocked a time of :24.17. Niedenfuer won the swim-off and the right to compete in the consolation finals with a time of :24.07, surpassing Hath's time of :24.31. During the consolations of the shorter sprint freestyle, Niedenfuer finished in 15th-place with a time of :24.31. The 800-yard freestyle relay team which she was a member of was sixth with a time of 7:31.75.

The defending Big Ten champion in the 100-yard freestyle, Niedenfuer was 18th this year with a time of :52.55. She was also 23rd in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:53.68.

WALNUT CREEK'S ADAMS SCORES IN IM EVENT - Sophomore **KAREN ADAMS** (WALNUT CREEK, CA/NORTHGATE) was 16th in the 400-yard individual medley with time of 4:36.65. She was also 19th in the 200-yard butterfly (2:06.85) and 40th in the 500-yard freestyle (5:08.08).

BARR PLACES IN SWIMMERS MILE - Sophomore **CHANDY BARR** (LINCOLN, NE/SOUTH-EAST) earned her first Big Ten points ever when she finished 15th in the 1,650-yard freestyle with a time of 17:30.01. Barr ranks third on this year's Minnesota squad in the swimmers mile. She was also 26th in the 400-yard individual medley (4:38.44) and 41st in the 500-yard freestyle (5:08.52).

MARTIN TOP GOPHER IN PLATFORM DIVING - Freshman **KARA MARTIN** (LINCOLN, NE/LINCOLN EAST) was the number one Minnesota diver in platform diving, placing seventh with 405.87 points. In 3-meter diving Martin was 18th with 367.89 points, and in the 1-meter event she scored 290.58 points for 21st place.

YASIS SCORES IN TWO DIVING EVENTS - Junior **JENNIFER YASIS** (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/ST. PAUL JOHNSON) was 12th in platform diving with 265.29 points and was 16th in 3-meter diving with 370.86 points. She also placed 19th in 1-meter diving with a score of 299.04.

HOP ON 6TH PLACE RELAY TEAM - Senior **DEANNE HOP** (ST. LOUIS PARK, MN) was a member of Minnesota's 800-yard freestyle relay team which clocked a time of 7:31.75 for 6th place. Hop also was 20th in the 50-yard freestyle (:24.26), 27th in the 100-yard freestyle (:53.04) and 21st in the 200-yard freestyle (1:53.50).

ANDERSON IN THREE EVENTS - Freshman **KIRSTEN ANDERSON** (FALCON HEIGHTS, MN/ROSEVILLE) competed in three events during the preliminary events at the conference championship. In the 100-yard backstroke she was 21st with a time of :58.69, 25th in the 200-yard backstroke (2:07.35) and 25th in the 100-yard butterfly (:58.31).

BIERBAUM IN BACKSTROKE AND IM EVENTS - Sophomore **JENNIFER BIERBAUM** (ROCHESTER, MN/JOHN MARSHALL) competed in both backstroke events and one individual medley event at the conference championship. She was 41st in the 100-yard backstroke (1:02.43), 46th in the 200-yard backstroke (2:17.47) and 73rd in the 200-yard individual medley (2:20.93).

EASTER IN TOP 25 - Sophomore **JENNY EASTER** (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) placed in the top 25 of both of her events at the Big Ten meet. In the 50-yard freestyle, she was 25th with a time of :24.39, and was 24th in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:54.45.

HESS IN THREE EVENTS - Sophomore **TONYA HESS** (GRAND FORKS, ND/RED RIVER) placed 40th in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:01.96 at the conference championship meet. In the 200-yard backstroke (2:10.16) she was 34th, and in the 200-yard individual medley (2:13.48) she placed 51st.

LOGAN HIGH'S KRAJEWSKI IN THREE FREESTYLE EVENTS - Freshman **JENNIFER KRAJEWSKI** (LA CROSSE, WI/LOGAN) competed in three of five possible freestyle events at the Big Ten conference meet. She clocked a time of :54.28 for 45th-place in the 100-yard freestyle, was 35th in the 200-yard freestyle (1:55.30) and 48th in the 500-yard freestyle (5:13.48).

LUCAS AMONG TOP 20 IN BREASTSTROKE - Junior **ALISON LUCAS** (LACROSSE/CENTRAL) placed among the top 20 swimmers in the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke events at the Big Ten meet. She was 19th in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:23.76) and 20th in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:06.87). Lucas was also in the 200-yard individual medley where she clocked a time of 2:11.39 for 41st place.

LARSON IN THREE EVENTS - Junior **JENNIFER LARSON** (PLYMOUTH, MN/HOPKINS) competed in both breaststroke events and the sprint freestyle at the Big Ten meet. In the 100-yard breaststroke she was 29th with a time of 1:07.66 and was 42nd in the 200-yard breaststroke after recording a time of 2:30.38. Larson clocked a time of :25.15 in the 50-yard freestyle for a 49th place finish.

FREESTYLER RIED IN THREE EVENTS - Sophomore **MARSHA RIED** (NEW BERLIN, WI/NEW BERLIN) competed in the three longest freestyle events at the Big Ten meet. Her best finish was in the 1650-yard freestyle where she placed 18th with a time of 17:36.22. In the 500-yard freestyle (5:07.07) she was 34th and in the 200-yard freestyle (1:56.96), Ried was 44th.

RUDSER IN THREE EVENTS - Sophomore **ANDREA RUDSER** (MINOT, ND/MINOT) placed among the top 25 swimmers in the butterfly events at the Big Ten championship meet. She was 19th in the 100-yard butterfly (:57.72) and 24th in the 200-yard butterfly (2:07.76). Rudser also competed in the 50-yard freestyle, placing 37th with a time of :24.69.

WHALE IN HER LAST MEET - Senior **MICHELLE WHALE** (MINNEAPOLIS, MN/ROOSEVELT) concluded her Big Ten swimming career at the conference championship. She placed 26th in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:25.31), 33rd in the 200-yard butterfly (2:10.06) and 29th in the 400-yard individual medley (4:40.01).

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1992 All-Big Ten Team				Final Team Standings	
Kristin Kane	Indiana	Holly Humphrey	Ohio State	1. Michigan	887
Katherine Creighton	Michigan	Katie Hedman	Ohio State	2. Northwestern	463.5
Mindy Gehrs	Michigan	Fran McDermid	Penn State	3. Minnesota	433
Lara Hooiveld	Michigan	Kim Fritsch	Purdue	4. Purdue	413
Alecia Humphrey	Michigan			5. Ohio State	350
Jennifer Love	Michigan	Big Ten Swimmer of the Year		6. Penn State	346.5
Missy McCracken	Michigan	Mindy Gehrs	Michigan	7. Iowa	274
Kirsten Silvester	Michigan			8. Indiana	211
Michelle Swix	Michigan	Swimming Coach of the Year		9. Wisconsin	175
Nicole Williamson	Michigan	Jim Richardson	Michigan	10. Michigan State	156
Laurie Nelson	Minnesota			11. Illinois	147
Trina Thames	Minnesota	Big Ten Diver of the Year			
Laura Herman	Minnesota	Kristin Kane	Indiana		
Uta Herrmann	Minnesota				
Pam Smith	Minnesota	Diving Coach of the Year			
Christy Wicke	Northwestern	Jeff Huber	Indiana		

University of Minnesota

1991-92 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record:6-1

Big Ten: 4-0

DATE	MEET	W/L	SCORE
11/9	Iowa State	W	176.5-123.5
11/10	NORTHWESTERN	W	153-147
11/22-24	MINNESOTA INVITE	1st/9 teams	1,015 pts.
11/29-12/1	US OPEN	No team scores	
1/4	GOLD COUNTRY	2nd/5 teams	1,066 pts.
1/11	@ Kansas	L	133-110
1/17-18	Illinois @ Wisconsin	W	172-102
	Purdue @ Wisconsin	W	164-115
	@ Wisconsin	W	163-113
1/24-25	MINN. CHALLENGE	No team scores	
2/1	@Nebraska	W	180-160

DATE	MEET	W/L	SCORE
2/13-15	@Big Ten Championship	3/11 teams	433 pts.
3/1-6	@Olympic Trials		
3/6-8	MINN. USS MEET		
3/13-14	NCAA ZONE DIVING		
3/19-21	@ NCAA Championships		
3/24-28	@ USS Junior Nationals		
4/3-5	@ Phillips 66 Diving Prelims		
4/14-19	@ Phillips 66 Diving Champ.		

Meets in CAPS at the University Aquatic Center

** 100 Backstroke

Trina Thames	* :55.71
Kiki Anderson	:58.60
Uta Herrmann	1:01.15
Susan Suomu	\$ 1:01.60
Tonya Hess	1:01.96

** 200 Backstroke

Trina Thames	* 2:02.10
Susan Suomu	2:03.16
Kiki Anderson	2:07.35
Uta Herrmann	2:08.37
Tonya Hess	2:10.16

** 100 Breaststroke

Kris Zeller	1:05.97
Alison Lucas	1:06.87
Jenny Larson	1:07.66
Anne Peters	1:09.61
Michelle Whale	1:10.70

** 200 Breaststroke

Alison Lucas	2:23.76
Kris Zeller	2:25.25
Michelle Whale	2:25.31
Jenny Larson	2:29.06
Lynn Newton	2:29.35

** 100 Butterfly

Uta Herrmann	:57.53
Andrea Rudser	:57.72
Kirsten Anderson	:58.31
Laura Herman	1:00.42
Pam Smith	1:00.53

** 200 Butterfly

Karen Adams	2:06.85
Andrea Rudser	2:07.76
Michelle Whale	2:10.06
Lynn Newton	2:11.00
Uta Herrmann	2:11.46

** 50 Free

Laura Herman	# :23.22
Uta Herrmann	:23.57
Trina Thames	:23.92
Pam Smith	:23.95
Stacey Niedenfuer	:24.07

** 100 Free

Pam Smith	\$:51.31
Laura Herman	:51.39
Uta Herrmann	:51.53
Stacey Niedenfuer	:52.55
Trina Thames	:52.84

** 200 Free

Susan Suomu	1:50.71
Krina Kabanuk	\$ 1:53.48
Deanne Hop	1:53.50
Stacey Niedenfuer	1:53.68
Pam Smith	1:54.35

** 500 Free

Susan Suomu	4:53.31
Lynn Newton	4:53.85
Krina Kabanuk	4:58.44
Marsha Ried	5:07.07
Karen Adams	5:08.08

** 1000 Free

Lynn Newton	\$ 10:04.38
Susan Suomu	10:20.92
Krina Kabanuk	10:28.93
Chandy Barr	\$ 10:30.79
Marsha Ried	\$ 10:34.39

** 1650 Free

Lynn Newton	16:40.22
Susan Suomu	17:25.39
Chandy Barr	17:30.01
Marsha Ried	17:36.22
Stacey Niedenfuer	18:34.59

** 200 IM

Susan Suomu	2:07.82
Krina Kabanuk	2:07.90
Kris Zeller	2:09.61
Lynn Newton	2:10.33
Uta Herrmann	2:11.39
Alison Lucas	2:11.39

** 400 IM

Lynn Newton	4:29.92
Krina Kabanuk	4:30.65
Karen Adams	4:32.10
Susan Suomu	4:35.49
Chandy Barr	4:38.44

** 200 Free Relay

1:33.28 - Laura Herman, Uta Herrmann, Pam Smith, Trina Thames

** 400 Free Relay

3:24.08 - Pam Smith, Laura Herman, Uta Herrmann, Trina Thames

** 800 Free Relay

7:31.75 - Krina Kabanuk, Stacey Niedenfuer, Deanne Hop, Susan Suomu

** 200 Medley Relay

1:43.93 - Trina Thames, Kris Zeller, Uta Herrmann, Laura Herman

** 400 Medley Relay

3:48.13 - Trina Thames, Kris Zeller, Uta Herrmann, Laura Herman

** 1 M Diving (10)

Laurie Nelson	% 409.14
Jennifer Yasis	% 385.90
Kara Martin	330.05

** 1 M Diving (6)

Jennifer Yasis	% 273.75
Laurie Nelson	% 271.80
Kara Martin	225.68

** 3 M Diving (11)

Laurie Nelson	% 470.07
Jennifer Yasis	% 465.80
Kara Martin	400.85

** 3 M Diving (6)

Laurie Nelson	% 293.325
Kara Martin	% 255.525
Jennifer Yasis	243.25

** Platform

Kara Martin (11 dives)	430.00
Laurie Nelson (8 dives)	265.29
Jennifer Yasis (8 dives)	251.82

\$Lead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualify time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying



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SWIMMING & DIVING TEAM PLACES 10TH AT NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Minnesota women's swimming and diving team had its first top 10 NCAA finish ever, placing 10th at the 1992 NCAA Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, March 19-21. The Gophers previous best finish was 18th in 1991. The meet was at the Texas Swimming Center on the campus of the University of Texas in Austin. The Gophers scored 117.5 points in 10 events, which more than doubled Minnesota's previous best-ever score of 47 points at the 1989 NCAA championships. Stanford was first with 735.5 points and Texas was second with 651.00 points.

In addition to its best finish and most points ever, Minnesota had five student-athletes earn eight all-American honors in five events, and six Gophers received 14 all-American honorable mentions, also in five events. Four Minnesota varsity records were broken seven times during the preliminaries and finals at the championships. One Gopher record fell three times during the meet.

NELSON PLACES IN TOP EIGHT IN ALL THREE DIVING EVENTS -

Sophomore **LAURIE NELSON** (ETOBICOKE, ONTARIO, CANADA) earned three all-American certificates at the NCAA championships after placing in finals of all three diving events. Nelson's best finish was in the 3-meter springboard diving event, where she was fourth with 483.90 points. In 1-meter springboard diving, Nelson was 6th with 403.50 points and in platform diving, she was eighth with 453 points. Nelson accounted for 33 percent of Minnesota's total points at the championships, tallying 39 points overall.

THAMES ALL-AMERICAN TWICE, SECOND IN BACKSTROKE - Junior **TRINA THAMES** (EAU CLAIRE, WI/EAU CLAIRE NORTH) earned two all-American and four all-American honorable mention certificates at the NCAA championships after scoring in six of the seven events in which she competed. Thames placed higher than any other Minnesota athlete at the meet, finishing second in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of :54.21 to earn all-American honors.

She reset her own 1992 varsity record of :55.71 in the 100-yard backstroke three times during the meet. Swimming the lead-off leg of the 400-yard medley relay on the first day of the meet, Thames set the record with a time of :54.60. Then, on the second day of the meet, Thames swam a :54.56 during the preliminaries of the 100-yard backstroke, and clocked her current record of :54.26 during the event finals. Thames also set the Minnesota varsity record in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 1:59.96, finishing in 18th-place. Thames, the number-two Minnesota scorer at championships with 34.5 points, also competed in four relay team events.

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RELAY TEAMS PRODUCTIVE - All four of the Gopher's relay teams at the championships scored points for Minnesota, earning all-American status in one and all-American honorable mention honors in the others.

The 200-yard medley relay team garnered all-American honors with its eighth-place finish. The relay team of **Thames**, sophomore **KRIS ZELLER** (FARIBAULT, MN), senior **UTA HERRMANN** (HERNE, GERMANY) and junior **LAURA HERMAN** (HALES CORNERS, WI/WHITNALL) set the varsity record in the shorter medley relay twice, clocking a time of 1:43.23 in the prelims and a 1:43.20 during the finals. The previous record of 1:43.82 was set by Herrmann, Tami Grewenow, Shannon Heringer and Herman in 1990. The same foursome set a varsity record in the 400-yard medley relay a 13th-place finish time of 3:46.56. The previous record of 3:47.37 was set last season by Thames, Zeller, Andrea Rudser and Stacey Niedenfuer.

All-American honorable mention honors were earned by **Thames**, **Herman**, **Herrmann** and sophomore **PAM SMITH** (SPRINGFIELD, IL/SPRINGFIELD SOUTHEAST) as members of the ninth place 200-yard freestyle relay team (1:33.39) and the 13th place 400-yard freestyle relay team (3:25.46).

NEWTON DOES WELL AFTER TWO WEEK BREAK - Senior **LYNN NEWTON** (INVER GROVE HEIGHTS, MN) received all-American honorable mention honors in the 1,650-yard freestyle with her 13th-place finish in the event. Jean Freeman, Minnesota's head swimming and diving coach, was quite pleased with Newton's time of 16:42.60 in the 1,650-yard freestyle.

"Lynn had quit swimming for two weeks after the Big Ten championship (Feb. 13-15), since she had not made the NCAA automatic qualifying time for the mile," Freeman said. "When the NCAA notified us she was invited to swim at the championship because of her consideration time, Lynn had to start her training all over again for this meet. She did a great job getting ready." Newton's best time this year in the 1,650-yard freestyle was 16:40.22. She scored four points for the Gophers at the meet.

RUDSER MEMBER OF 200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY - Sophomore **ANDREA RUDSER** (MINOT, ND/MINOT) swam the butterfly leg of the 400-yard medley relay, helping Minnesota qualify for the consolation finals of the event. The relay team placed 14th in the preliminaries of the event with a time of 3:48.55. Rudser was helping teammate Uta Herrmann rest her chronically sore knees for the consolation finals, where Herrmann, along with Trina Thames, Laura Herman and Kris Zeller placed 13th with a time of 3:46.56.

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Event results**1-meter diving**

6. Laurie Nelson 403.50 All-American

3-meter diving

4. Laurie Nelson 483.90 All-American

Platform diving

8. Laurie Nelson 453.00 All-American

50-yard freestyle

15. Trina Thames :23.46 All-American honorable mention

22. Laura Herman :23.56

1,650-yard freestyle

13. Lynn Newton 16:42.60 All-American honorable mention

100-yard backstroke

2. Thames :54.21 (varsity record) All-American

200-yard backstroke

18. Trina Thames 1:59.96 (varsity record)

200 free relay

9. Trina Thames, Laura Herman, Uta Herrmann, Pam Smith

1:33.29 All-American honorable mention

400-yard freestyle relay

13. Trina Thames, Uta Herrmann, Pam Smith, Laura Herman

3:25.46 All-American honorable mention

200-yard medley relay

8. Trina Thames, Kris Zeller, Uta Herrmann, Laura Herman

1:43.20 (varsity record) All-American

400 medley relay

13. Thames, Kris Zeller, Uta Herrmann, Laura Herman

3:46.56 (varsity record) All-American honorable mention

Top 20 teams

1. Stanford	735.5	11. California	107.5
2. Texas	651.0	12. Arizona State	73.0
3. Florida	294.5	13. Miami (Florida)	63.0
4. Southern Methodist	285.0	14. North Carolina	57.0
5. Arizona	272.0	15. Kansas	55.0
6. UCLA	206.5	16. Southern California	54.0
7. Michigan	188.0	17. Ohio State	53.0
8. Auburn	154.0	18. Tennessee	50.0
9. Georgia	130.0	18. Northwestern	50.0
10. Minnesota	117.5	20. Clemson	37.0

Swimmer of the Year

Summer Sanders Stanford

Swimming Coach of the Year

Richard Quick Stanford

Diver of the Year

Eileen Richetelli Stanford

Diving Coach of the Year

Dr. Rick Schavone Stanford

University of Minnesota

1991-92 Women's Swimming and Diving Top Times/Scores

Dual Record:6-1

Big Ten: 4-0

Big Ten Finish: 3rd

NCAA Finish: 10th

DATE	MEET	W/L	SCORE	DATE	MEET	W/L	SCORE
11/9	Iowa State	W	176.5-123.5	1/17-18	@ Wisconsin	W	163-113
11/10	NORTHWESTERN	W	153-147	1/24-25	MINN. CHALLENGE	No team scores	
11/22-24	MINNESOTA INVITE	1st/9 teams	1,015 pts.	2/1	@Nebraska	W	180-160
11/29-12/1	US OPEN	No team scores		2/13-15	@Big Ten Championship	3/11 teams	433 pts.
1/4	GOLD COUNTRY	2nd/5 teams	1,066 pts.	1/19-21	@ NCAA Championships	10/42 teams	117.5 pts.
1/11	@ Kansas	L	133-110	Meets in CAPS at the University Aquatic Center			
1/17-18	Illinois @ Wisconsin	W	172-102				
1/17-18	Purdue @ Wisconsin	W	164-115				

** 100 Backstroke

Trina Thames	*!	:54.21
Kiki Anderson		:58.60
Uta Herrmann		1:01.15
Susan Suomu	\$	1:01.60
Tonya Hess		1:01.96

** 200 Backstroke

Trina Thames	*!	1:59.96
Susan Suomu		2:03.16
Kiki Anderson		2:07.35
Uta Herrmann		2:08.37
Tonya Hess		2:10.16

** 100 Breaststroke

Kris Zeller		1:05.97
Alison Lucas		1:06.87
Jenny Larson		1:07.66
Anne Peters		1:09.61
Michelle Whale		1:10.70

** 200 Breaststroke

Alison Lucas		2:23.76
Kris Zeller		2:25.25
Michelle Whale		2:25.31
Jenny Larson		2:29.06
Lynn Newton		2:29.35

** 100 Butterfly

Uta Herrmann		:57.53
Andrea Rudser		:57.72
Kirsten Anderson		:58.31
Laura Herman		1:00.42
Pam Smith		1:00.53

** 200 Butterfly

Karen Adams		2:06.85
Andrea Rudser		2:07.76
Michelle Whale		2:10.06
Lynn Newton		2:11.00
Uta Herrmann		2:11.46

** 50 Free

Laura Herman	#	:23.22
Uta Herrmann		:23.57
Trina Thames		:23.92
Pam Smith		:23.95
Stacey Niedenfuer		:24.07

** 100 Free

Pam Smith	\$:51.31
Laura Herman		:51.39
Uta Herrmann		:51.53
Stacey Niedenfuer		:52.55
Trina Thames		:52.84

** 200 Free

Susan Suomu		1:50.71
Krina Kabanuk	\$	1:53.48
Deanne Hop		1:53.50
Stacey Niedenfuer		1:53.68
Pam Smith		1:54.35

** 500 Free

Susan Suomu		4:53.31
Lynn Newton		4:53.85
Krina Kabanuk		4:58.44
Marsha Ried		5:07.07
Karen Adams		5:08.08

** 1000 Free

Lynn Newton	\$	10:04.38
Susan Suomu		10:20.92
Krina Kabanuk		10:28.93
Chandy Barr	\$	10:30.79
Marsha Ried	\$	10:34.39

** 1650 Free

Lynn Newton		16:40.22
Susan Suomu		17:25.39
Chandy Barr		17:30.01
Marsha Ried		17:36.22
Stacey Niedenfuer		18:34.59

** 200 IM

Susan Suomu		2:07.82
Krina Kabanuk		2:07.90
Kris Zeller		2:09.61
Lynn Newton		2:10.33
Uta Herrmann		2:11.39
Alison Lucas		2:11.39

** 400 IM

Lynn Newton		4:29.92
Krina Kabanuk		4:30.65
Karen Adams		4:32.10
Susan Suomu		4:35.49
Chandy Barr		4:38.44

** 200 Free Relay

1:33.28 - Laura Herman, Uta Herrmann, Pam Smith, Trina Thames

** 400 Free Relay

3:24.08 - Pam Smith, Laura Herman, Uta Herrmann, Trina Thames

** 800 Free Relay

7:31.75- Krina Kabanuk, Stacey Niedenfuer, Deanne Hop, Susan Suomu

** 200 Medley Relay

1:43.20 *! - Trina Thames, Kris Zeller, Uta Herrmann, Laura Herman

** 400 Medley Relay

3:46.56 *! - Trina Thames, Kris Zeller, Uta Herrmann, Laura Herman

** 1 M Diving (10)

Laurie Nelson	%	409.14
Jennifer Yasis	%	385.90
Kara Martin		330.05

** 1 M Diving (6)

Jennifer Yasis	%	273.75
Laurie Nelson	%	271.80
Kara Martin		225.68

** 3 M Diving (11)

Laurie Nelson	!	483.90
Jennifer Yasis	%	465.80
Kara Martin	@	402.25

** 3 M Diving (6)

Laurie Nelson	%	293.325
Kara Martin	%	255.525
Jennifer Yasis		243.25

** Platform

Kara Martin (11 dives)		430.00
Laurie Nelson (8 dives)		265.29
Jennifer Yasis (8 dives)		251.82

\$Lead-off split time *Varsity record #NCAA automatic qualify time %NCAA Zone diving qualifying
@at NCAA Zone C meet !at NCAA championship