

GOPHERS RETAIN NO. 1 RANKING • NO. 4 PENN STATE AND NO. 16 OHIO STATE REMAIN UNDEFEATED • MINNESOTA'S GENTIL NAMED PLAYER OF THE WEEK

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2004 CONFERENCE & OVERALL STANDINGS

	BIG TEN Matches			All Matches			vs. Top 25*	vs. Non-Conf.	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	LAST 10	STREAK
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	
1. OHIO STATE	2	0	1.000	12	0	1.000	1-0	10-0	4-0	5-0	3-0	10-0	W12
PENN STATE	2	0	1.000	11	0	1.000	1-0	9-0	6-0	3-0	2-0	10-0	W11
MINNESOTA	2	0	1.000	13	1	.929	4-1	11-1	6-0	2-0	5-1	10-0	W12
PURDUE	2	0	1.000	9	3	.750	2-0	7-3	5-1	1-1	3-1	7-3	W2
4. MICHIGAN	1	1	.500	10	2	.833	1-1	9-1	5-1	3-1	2-0	8-2	L1
ILLINOIS	1	1	.500	9	2	.818	1-0	8-1	4-1	1-1	4-0	8-2	W1
IOWA	1	1	.500	9	4	.692	0-0	8-3	3-3	1-1	5-0	7-3	W1
7. WISCONSIN	0	2	.000	6	4	.600	1-0	6-2	4-3	0-1	2-0	6-4	L2
MICHIGAN STATE	0	2	.000	5	5	.500	0-2	5-3	3-0	1-3	1-2	5-5	L5
INDIANA	0	2	.000	6	7	.462	0-1	6-5	3-4	1-3	2-0	4-6	L5
NORTHWESTERN	0	2	.000	5	7	.417	0-5	5-5	3-5	0-2	2-0	3-7	L4

* USA Today/CSTV Coaches Poll

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Big Ten Volleyball Set for Full Week of Action

Five out of the seven days this week will feature Big Ten volleyball action, beginning with Notre Dame at Michigan in non-Conference action on Tuesday, September 28, followed by Wisconsin at Northwestern on Wednesday, September 29. A full slate of matches are scheduled for Friday and Saturday, October 1-2, while the week concludes on Sunday, October 3 with Illinois traveling to Madison to face Wisconsin.

No. 1 Minnesota Set to Battle Nationally-Ranked Teams

In what perhaps has been the most anticipated road trip of the year and the biggest test yet for top-ranked Minnesota, the Golden Gophers will face two top-20 Conference teams on the road this weekend. Minnesota travels to No. 16 Ohio State on Friday for a televised match on FSN Chicago, followed by a Saturday matchup at No. 4 Penn State.

When the Gophers meet the Nittany Lions on Saturday, it will mark the highest-ranking matchup in the Big Ten history and only the second time ever that two League teams face off while each is nationally ranked in the top five. The only other time this scenario occurred in Conference history was when No. 4 Ohio State battled No. 5 Penn State on November 29, 1994.

Not since October 19, 2002 have two Big Ten squads taken to the court ranked in the top 10. Ironically, that match was also between Minnesota (9) and Penn State (8).

ALL-TIME BIG TEN TOP-10 MEETINGS

Compiled by Steve Geller, University of Minnesota

Match	Date
#1 Minnesota vs. #4 Penn State	10/2/04
#9 Minnesota vs. #8 Penn State	10/19/02
#7 Minnesota vs. #6 Wisconsin	10/28/00
#2 Penn State vs. #6 Wisconsin	10/10/98
#2 Penn State vs. #6 Wisconsin	11/6/98
#1 Penn State vs. #7 Wisconsin	10/31/97
#1 Penn State vs. #10 Wisconsin	10/4/97
#2 Penn State vs. #7 Michigan State	10/11/96
#6 Penn State vs. #5 Michigan State	11/9/96
#6 Penn State vs. #10 Ohio State	11/1/95
#7 Penn State vs. #6 Michigan State	10/21/95
#8 Penn State vs. #7 Michigan State	11/17/95
#6 Ohio State vs. #7 Michigan State	11/18/95
#2 Penn State vs. #6 Ohio State	9/21/94
#4 Ohio State vs. #5 Penn State	11/29/94
#6 Illinois vs. #9 Penn State	11/27/92

THIS WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Notre Dame at MICHIGAN 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

WISCONSIN at NORTHWESTERN 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

#19 ILLINOIS at NORTHWESTERN 7 p.m.
INDIANA at MICHIGAN STATE 7 p.m.
IOWA at #4 PENN STATE 7 p.m.
PURDUE at MICHIGAN 7 p.m.
#1 MINNESOTA at #16 OHIO STATE 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

INDIANA at MICHIGAN 6 p.m.
IOWA at #16 OHIO STATE 7 p.m.
PURDUE at MICHIGAN STATE 7 p.m.
#1 MINNESOTA at #4 PENN STATE 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

#19 ILLINOIS at WISCONSIN 1 p.m.

All Times Local

LAST WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

#1 MINNESOTA def. Cincinnati, 3-0 30-24, 30-14, 30-19

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

PURDUE def. INDIANA, 3-0 30-22, 30-20, 30-12

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

PURDUE def. #13 ILLINOIS, 3-1 30-25, 30-25, 21-30, 30-28
MICHIGAN def. IOWA, 3-0 37-35, 30-14, 30-23
#1 MINNESOTA def. MICHIGAN STATE, 3-0 30-16, 30-18, 30-19
#4 PENN STATE def. NORTHWESTERN, 3-0 30-25, 30-24, 30-24
#20 OHIO STATE at WISCONSIN, 3-1 30-20, 23-30, 30-18, 30-24

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

#13 ILLINOIS def. INDIANA, 3-0 30-22, 30-21, 30-27
MICHIGAN STATE def. IOWA, 3-1 30-25, 28-30, 30-17, 30-20
#1 MINNESOTA def. MICHIGAN, 3-0 30-26, 30-17, 30-27
#20 OHIO STATE def. NORTHWESTERN, 3-0 30-23, 30-17, 30-25

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

#4 PENN STATE def. WISCONSIN, 3-0 30-19, 30-26, 30-28

BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Paula Gentil, Minnesota
JR, Libero, Forteleaza Ceara', Brazil/Lake Highland

Gentil earned her second Big Ten Player of the Week honor of the year after averaging 8.11 digs per game in three matches last weekend and becoming just the first League player to record 39 or more digs in a match since October 20, 1990. Gentil broke her own school record with 39 digs (13.0 dpg) against Michigan on September 25, bettering her previous high of 37 against then-No. 1 USC on August 28 in five games.

The Minnesota junior moved into fourth place on the Big Ten all-time digs list with 1,569 career digs.

Gentil tied a career-high with four service aces against Cincinnati earlier in the week on September 20 and totaled six service aces and 73 digs in three matches. She averaged 0.67 service aces per game and 0.44 assists per game as well as leading a defensive charge that saw the Golden Gophers limit their opponents to a .030 hitting percentage on the week, including a -.024 hitting percentage for Michigan State on September 24.

THIS WEEK ON FSN CHICAGO



#1 MINNESOTA (13-1, 2-0)

at

#16 OHIO STATE (12-0, 2-0)



Match Date & Time
Friday, October 1 • 7 p.m. EDT

Broadcast Date & Time
Sunday, October 3 • 3 p.m.

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All Hail The Gophers

Minnesota has claimed the No. 1 spot in the USA Today/CSTV Top 25 poll once again this week. The Golden Gophers are 13-1 and 2-0 in the Big Ten after sweeping Michigan and Michigan State last weekend. This is the third-straight week Minnesota has been ranked No. 1, marking the first time a Big Ten squad has ruled the collegiate volleyball scene in three-consecutive weeks since Penn State in 1999. The Nittany Lions held the No. 1 rank for 11-straight weeks from October 4, 1999 until the final poll of the 1999 season when PSU captured the NCAA title.

Five Big Ten Teams Earn Recognition in Top 25 Poll

Five Big Ten teams have received recognition in the USA Today/CSTV Top 25 poll released September 27. Minnesota leads the nation at No. 1, followed by No. 4 Penn State, No. 16 Ohio State and No. 19 Illinois. Ohio State has improved nearly five spots (25-20-16) each week since entering the poll three weeks ago. Michigan and Purdue also received votes.

Gentil Digs Out Yet Another Record

Minnesota junior libero Paula Gentil broke her own school record with 39 digs (13.0 dpg) against Michigan on September 25, bettering her previous high of 37 against then-No. 1 USC on August 28 in five games. Gentil's school record marked just the first time a League player has recorded 39 or more digs in a match since October 20, 1990. She is now in fourth place on the Big Ten all-time digs list with 1,569 career digs.

Underclassmen Blocking Out the Competition

Seven underclassmen, including three freshmen in the top seven, currently lead the Conference in blocks. Only two juniors and one senior can be found among the top 10 blockers in the League. Wisconsin junior Sheila Shaw leads the Conference with 1.42 blocks per game, but freshman Lyndsay Miller (1.41) and sophomore Megan Bowman (1.37), both of Michigan, are second and third, respectively. Wisconsin freshman Taylor Reineke (1.36) is fourth and Ohio State freshman Danielle Meyer (1.10) is seventh.

Keep Your Eye on the Hawks

Under first-year head coach Cindy Fredrick, the Iowa Hawkeyes have already surpassed their win total from last season and given the Iowa mentor her first career Big Ten win as well. Iowa is 9-4 on the season and 1-1 in the League. The Hawkeyes were just 6-24 (1-19, Big Ten) last season and 8-22 (2-18) in 2002. The nine-win total marks the highest number of victories for the Iowa program since 2000 when the Hawkeyes placed sixth in the Conference with an overall record of 15-13 and 11-9 in League play.

Big Ten Boasts Winning Record Over Top-25 Teams

In the four total weeks of non-conference action, Big Ten teams were a combined 10-5 against top-25 competition. League teams defeated two top-10 teams, including then top-ranked USC (Illinois, 3-2), and posted a record of 7-4 against teams in the top-15. On three occasions, three different Big Ten teams defeated the 12th-ranked team, as Purdue and Wisconsin topped then-No. 12 Georgia Tech the first week of September, while Penn State topped No. 12 Stanford the week after.

Three Big Ten Squads Affected by Hurricane Season

Big Ten teams have never been so happy to move inland for the Conference season. On two occasions during non-conference action, three League squads had scheduling conflicts due to three hurricanes that pounded Florida in September.

Most recently, Michigan State was scheduled to face No. 2 USC at the Gamecock Invitational in South Carolina on September 19, but the Women of Troy backed out due to safety concerns with Hurricane Ivan in the area and Hurricane Jeanne surfacing in the Atlantic.

As the approach of Hurricane Frances threatened the eastern coast of Florida, both Illinois and Northwestern were forced to cancel their previously scheduled volleyball tournaments September 3-4, on the campuses of Miami and Florida, respectively. Both Florida schools cancelled their tournaments on September 1 in anticipation of severe weather. The cancellations forced Illinois to travel to the Hurricane Frances Classic in Oxford, Ohio, while Northwestern quickly organized the NU Labor Day Classic in Evanston.

BIG TEN VOLLEYBALL BITS



No. 19 Illinois (9-2, 1-1) fell 3-1 to Purdue last Friday, but rebounded to sweep Indiana 3-0 on Saturday. Lauren Harks moved into fourth place all-time in Illini history in digs Friday night with 1,102 passing Mary Eggers' mark of 1,092. Stephanie Obermeier took the reigns of the Illini this week after All-American senior setter Erin Vitore went down with a season-ending knee injury. Obermeier, a redshirt freshman, contributed nicely last weekend as she dished a combined 98 assists in the two matches. The Illini, who travel to Northwestern and Wisconsin this weekend, currently rank first among Big Ten teams in service aces at 2.12 per game.



Indiana (6-7, 0-2) dropped its initial two conference matches to Purdue (3-0, 30-22, 30-20, 30-12) and 13th-ranked Illinois (3-0, 30-22, 30-21, 30-27). With 10 kills at Purdue and eight against Illinois, senior Christina Archibald reached the 10-plus kill mark in 58 of her last 60 matches. Junior Mandy Eberle moved over the century kill mark with 11 against Illinois for a tally of 104. The Hoosiers continue their road trip this weekend, traveling to Michigan State on Friday and Michigan on Saturday.



Iowa (9-4, 1-1) gave head coach Cindy Fredrick her first career Big Ten win last weekend with a 3-1 victory over Michigan State. The Hawkeyes were just 6-24 last season and 8-22 in 2002. The nine-win total marks the highest number of victories for the Iowa program since 2000 when the Hawkeyes placed sixth in the Conference with an overall record of 15-13 and 11-9 in League play. Iowa ranks first among Conference teams in blocks by opponents with a 1.61 bpg average and is fourth overall in opponent hitting percentage (.162). Iowa travels to No. 4 Penn State and No. 16 Ohio State this Friday and Saturday, respectively.



Michigan (10-2, 1-1) opened its Conference season with a 3-0 road win at Iowa last Friday. The Wolverines fell to top-ranked Minnesota in three games, but saw strong performances from key players. Megan Bowman recorded her 200th career block against Minnesota, while Erin Cobler recorded her 100th career block against the Gophers. Lisa Gamalski has now recorded four straight double-doubles dating back to September 17 and Jennifer Gandolph is 38 kills shy of breaking the Michigan school record for career kills. U-M hosts Notre Dame on Tuesday, as well as Purdue and Indiana this weekend. Michigan is holding its opponents to a League-best .105 hitting percentage.



Michigan State (5-5, 0-2) dropped its first two Big Ten matches last weekend, but did so with a very young lineup. The Spartans played six freshmen in both Conference opening matches at Minnesota and Iowa, including three freshmen -- Maggie Griffin, Andrea Hansen and Meghan Schoen -- who saw action in all seven MSU games on the weekend. Griffin ranks seventh in the League overall in assists with 12.03 per game, while teammate Kim Schram holds the third-best average in the Conference for kills at 4.38. The Spartans will host Indiana and Purdue this weekend, marking the first home matches since September 4 (seven matches).



No. 1 Minnesota (13-1, 2-0) won for the 12th straight time to reach its fourth-longest winning streak in school history. The Golden Gophers won a record 15 matches in a row in 2000. Only its 13-0 start in 2000 and its 12-0-1 start in 1974 are better than this year's start. Erin Martin moved into eighth place on the Minnesota all-time kills list with 1,394 career kills. She is six kills from becoming only the eighth player in school history to record 1,400 career kills. Minnesota had a school-record for digs in a three-game match with 96 against Michigan on September 25. Lindsey Taatjes recorded her 4,000 career assist (fifth in school history to reach 4,000) on September 24 against Michigan State. The Gophers travel to No. 16 Ohio State and No. 4 Penn State this weekend.



Northwestern (5-7, 0-2) fell to No. 4 Penn State in three close games (30-25, 30-24, 30-24) in its Big Ten season opener Friday night in Evanston, but posted a season-high 12 blocks against the Nittany Lions. Most of the blocks came from freshmen Stefanie Alde, Stephanie Jurivich, and Brittney Aldridge as the trio hounded Penn State's hitters all night, tallying 8.5 blocks between them. In their second Big Ten match of the season, the Cats went up against No. 20 Ohio State, losing in three games (30-23, 30-17, 30-25) on Saturday. Northwestern returns to the court on Wednesday as host to Wisconsin and again on Friday against No. 19 Illinois.



No. 16 Ohio State (12-0, 2-0) is 2-0 in the Big Ten for the first time since 2001 and its 12-0 start is the best since 2001 when OSU began the year 13-0. OSU's 3-1 win at Wisconsin stopped a 14-match Badger winning streak over Ohio State and is the Buckeyes' first victory in Madison since 1995. OSU will remain on the road as this weekend the Buckeyes travel to top-ranked Minnesota on Friday and to Iowa on Saturday. The Buckeyes currently lead both the League and the nation in hitting percentage (.339), assists per game (16.67) and kills (18.08).



No. 4 Penn State (12-0, 2-0) remained undefeated this past weekend with 3-0 wins at Northwestern (30-25, 30-24, 30-24) and Wisconsin (30-19, 30-26, 30-28). Against the Badgers, senior Tabitha Eshleman recorded a career-high 18 digs to help lead the Nittany Lions to the weekend sweep. PSU currently ranks second in the League in hitting percentage (2.98), which is also fourth best in the nation, opponent hitting percentage (.120), and digs per game (18.19). Penn State hosts Iowa on Friday and will then face top-ranked Minnesota on Saturday. Minnesota (0.52) and Penn State (0.72) are first and second, respectively, in the Conference in allowing the fewest number of service aces by an opponent.



Purdue (9-3, 2-0) knocked off No. 13 Illinois on Friday, marking the second Top 15 team the Boilermakers have beaten this year. The last time Purdue defeated two Top 15 teams in the same season was 1990. With the win over Illinois, Purdue ended a six-match losing streak to the Illini. Prior to the Illinois match, Purdue retained the Monon Spike after sweeping intrastate rival Indiana 3-0 to open Big Ten play. Currently, Purdue ranks first in Conference-only games in hitting percentage (.326), assists per game (16.86) and kills per game (17.71). The Boilermakers will look for their 10th win on Friday at Michigan, followed by a match with Michigan State on Saturday.



Wisconsin (6-4, 0-2) dropped its first two League matches to No. 20 Ohio State and No. 4 Penn State last weekend. Senior Jill Odenthal became the 13th player in UW history to record 1,000 career kills as she totaled 17 kills against Ohio State last Friday, which gave her exactly 1,000 kills. She then moved into 12th on the UW career list when she totaled 10 kills against Penn State on Sunday to move her total to 1,010. Wisconsin leads all Conference teams in overall blocks with 3.39 per game and is led by junior Sheila Shaw who is averaging a League-best 1.42 bpg. Freshman Taylor Reineke is fourth in the Big Ten with a 1.36 bpg average. The Badgers will look for their first Conference win of the season at Northwestern on Wednesday.

USA TODAY/CSTV TOP 25 POLL

Rank	School (Votes)	Points	2004 Record	Last Week
1	MINNESOTA (40)	1,587	13-1	1
2	Washington (23)	1,573	10-0	3
3	Southern California	1,435	6-2	2
4	PENN STATE (2)	1,417	11-0	4
5	Florida	1,347	10-1	5
6	Hawai'i	1,330	10-0	6
7	Nebraska	1,262	9-1	7
8	UC Santa Barbara	1,159	8-0	8
9	Colorado State	1,129	10-1	9
10	UCLA	1,010	8-3	10
11	Stanford	994	9-2	12
12	California	843	7-3	16
13	Santa Clara	651	8-2	17
14	Texas A&M	611	6-4	11
15	Kansas State	604	8-4	19
16	OHIO STATE	602	12-0	20
17	Arizona	588	8-4	14
18	Texas	568	11-0	22
19	ILLINOIS	476	9-2	13
20	Tennessee	403	12-1	24
21	Louisville	359	9-2	15
22	Utah	310	8-2	23
23	Long Beach State	236	10-1	18
24	Kansas	210	10-2	21
25	Colorado	84	7-4	25

Others receiving points and listed on two or more ballots: Florida A&M 74, Saint Mary's (Calif.) 67, Ohio 54, MICHIGAN 41, Rice 40, PURDUE 21, Pepperdine 14, San Diego 7, Pacific 4, Western Kentucky 4.

TOP 25 POLL BIG TEN BREAKDOWN

	ILL	IND	IOWA	MICH	MSU	MINN	NU	OSU	PSU	PUR	WIS
PRE	19	-	-	arv	arv	5	-	arv	8	-	23
9/6	16	-	-	arv	arv	5	-	arv	7	24	25
9/13	9	-	-	arv	arv	1	-	25	5	arv	arv
9/20	13	-	-	arv	-	1	-	20	4	-	arv
9/27	19	-	-	arv	-	1	-	16	4	arv	-
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10/11											
10/18											
10/25											
11/1											
11/8											
11/15											
11/22											
11/29											
12/6											
FINAL											

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Illini's Virtue to Miss Remainder of Season

Illinois senior setter Erin Virtue has suffered a tear of her anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) in her right knee, an MRI revealed Wednesday. The Honorable Mention All-American and Preseason All-Big Ten selection will need surgery and will miss the rest of the season. Virtue, who topped the 2,000 assist mark in just one-plus year as Illinois' starter, amassed 424 assists during the 2004 season before suffering the injury late in the Illini's win over Ball State on September 17.

Gophers Say Just Bring it

Minnesota has stormed out to a 13-1 record this season, with four of those games coming against top 20 competition. The Gophers fell to No. 1 USC in a five-game heartbreaker in August, but have captured top-15 wins over No. 4 Florida (3-2), No. 11 Colorado State (3-1), and No. 15 Kansas State (3-2). USC is the two-time defending national champion, while Florida was a national semifinalist along with the Gophers last season. The Gophers will look to improve on their 3-1 record versus top 20 teams when they travel to No. 4 Penn State and No. 20 Ohio State this weekend.

Bowman Brings It During Top-Ranked Competition

Minnesota's Kelly Bowman is one of only two Big Ten players (Lisa Gamalski, MICH, 1) so far this season to record at least one triple-double. The sophomore setter has tallied four triple-doubles this year, with two coming against two of the top four teams in the nation. On August 28, Bowman recorded 17 kills, 18 digs and 40 assists versus No. 1 USC, while on September 11, she recorded 11 kills, 19 kills and 15 assists against No. 4 Florida. On September 17, in Minnesota's first match as the top-ranked team in the nation, Bowman posted 11 kills, 22 digs and 30 assists to help the Gophers survive a 3-2 scare against Rice. Most recently, Bowman delivered 10 kills, 12 digs and 21 assists against Michigan on September 25.

The Conquer of Troy

In front of nearly 3,000 fans in Huff Hall on September 11, then-No. 16 Illinois defeated top-ranked and two-time defending national champion USC, 3-2, ending the longest winning streak in NCAA volleyball history at 52 straight. The Illini topped the Women of Troy 30-24, 24-30, 12-30, 30-27, 15-8, which marked the first time in school history that the Orange and Blue defeated a number one team. Earlier this year, current-No. 1 Minnesota dropped a 3-2 heartbreaker to USC at the NACWAA Tournament.

Ohio State's Gordon Eyes All-Time Big Ten Kill Mark

Ohio State's Stacey Gordon, who set a Big Ten record last season with 6.62 kills per game, has her eyes set on the all-time Big Ten kill record of 2,379, set by Minnesota's Nicole Branagh from 1997-2000.

Currently, the Buckeye senior has 2,227 kills for her career, 152 shy of the record. Gordon, who is averaging 6.95 kills per game through 39 games this season, is on pace to break the mark in approximately 22 games.

Gordon leaped over fifth-place (Debbie McDonald, PUR, 2,108) and into fourth-place all-time in Big Ten history, surpassing Minnesota's Andrea Gonzalez's mark of 2,140. Gordon recorded 85 kills in the first week of play this season to surpass the 2,000 plateau, making her one of only seven players in League history to have surpassed 2,000 kills.

BIG TEN VS. TOP 25 TEAMS

10-5 AGAINST NON-CONFERENCE TOP-25 TEAMS as of 9/27/04

#1 (1-1)		
#1 USC def. #5 Minnesota, 2-3		8/28/04
#16 Illinois def. #1 USC, 3-2		9/11/04
#4 (1-1)		
#4 Florida def. Northwestern, 0-3		9/5/04
#5 Minnesota def. #4 Florida, 3-2		9/11/04
#6 (0-1)		
#6 Washington def. Michigan State, 0-3		9/11/04
#11 (1-0)		
#5 Minnesota def. #11 Colorado State, 3-1		8/27/04
#12 (3-0)		
Purdue def. #12 Georgia Tech, 3-1		9/3/04
Wisconsin def. #12 Georgia Tech, 3-2		9/4/04
#7 Penn State def. #12 Stanford, 3-2		9/10/04
#13 (0-1)		
#13 Stanford def. Northwestern, 3-0		9/18/04
#15 (1-0)		
#5 Minnesota def. #15 Kansas State, 3-2		9/10/04
#20 (1-0)		
#1 Minnesota def. #20 Loyola Marymount, 3-0		9/18/04
#21 (1-1)		
Ohio State def. #21 Georgia Tech, 3-0		9/12/04
#21 Long Beach State def. Northwestern, 3-0		9/14/04
#22 (1-0)		
Michigan def. #22 Tennessee, 3-1		9/18/04

ALL-TIME BIG TEN KILLS RECORD

TRACKING OHIO STATE'S STACEY GORDON

152

Rank	Player	Years	Kills
1	Nicole Branagh, Minnesota	1997-00	2,379
2	Katrien DeDecker, Minnesota	1993-96	2,300
3	Jenna Wrobel, Michigan State	1995-98	2,292
4	Stacey Gordon, Ohio State	2001-Pres.	2,227
5	Andrea Gonzalez, Minnesota	1985-88	2,140

ALL-TIME BIG TEN DIGS RECORD

TRACKING MINNESOTA'S PAULA GENTIL

362

Rank	Player	Years	Kills
1	Janet Moylan, Iowa	1987-90	1,931
2	Susan Wohlford, Wisconsin	1988-91	1,920
3	Jenny Rees, Iowa	1987-90	1,632
4	Paula Gentil, Minnesota	2002-Pres.	1,569
5	Becky Kanitz, Purdue	1985-88	1,564

BIG TEN VOLLEYBALL ON TELEVISION

Over the 2004 season, at least 11 Big Ten volleyball contests will air on ESPN2 and FSN Chicago, as the schedule will feature each Conference school in action at least once.

which at least three matches will be broadcast. The League also begins its eighth season with FSN Chicago, which will broadcast eight Conference matches on its network.

For more than a decade, the Big Ten has been a leader in collegiate volleyball television exposure. The Conference enters its 10th-consecutive year of partnership with ESPN2 in

The ESPN2 network is seen in over 87 million households nationwide, while the FSN network reaches nearly 20 million cable households nationwide.

DATE	MATCH	TIME	STATION	BROADCAST DATE/TIME
Fri., Sept. 24	Michigan at Iowa	7 p.m. CDT	FSN Chicago	Sept. 26 at 6 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 1	#1 Minnesota at #16 Ohio State	7 p.m. EDT	FSN Chicago	Oct. 3 at 3 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 9	Michigan State at Illinois	7 p.m. CDT	FSN Chicago	Oct. 10 at 3 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 16	Michigan State at Penn State	7 p.m. EDT	ESPN2	Oct. 17 at 2:30 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 16	Indiana at Northwestern	7 p.m. CDT	FSN Chicago	Oct. 17 at 3 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 30	Minnesota at Wisconsin	7 p.m. CDT	ESPN2	Oct. 31 at 2:30 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 30	Purdue at Penn State	7 p.m. EDT	FSN Chicago	Oct. 31 at 3 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 6	Northwestern at Illinois	7 p.m. CST	ESPN2	Nov. 7 at 4:00 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 12	Wisconsin at Penn State	7 p.m. EST	FSN Chicago	Nov. 14 at 3 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 20	Michigan State at Wisconsin	7 p.m. CST	FSN Chicago	Nov. 21 at 3 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 26 or Sat. Nov. 27	WILDCARD	TBD	FSN Chicago	Nov. 28 at 3 p.m.

* NOTE: Schedule dates and times subject to change

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BIGTEN.ORG QUICKIES

Others in League Stalking Gordon's Mark

Several other Big Ten student-athletes have their sights set on individual marks for kills this season as well. Indiana's Christina Archibald surpassed the 1,500-kill plateau September 18 and now stands at 1,582 for her career. Minnesota's Erin Martin (1,394) and Michigan's Jennifer Gandolph (1,347) are also quickly approaching the 1,500-kill mark.

Gordon Named AVCA National Player of the Week

After earning her 12th career Big Ten Player of the Week honor September 13, Ohio State's Stacey Gordon was honored by the AVCA as the National Player of the Week. It was Gordon's second career weekly honor by the AVCA.

Gordon Extends Double-Figure Streak for Kills

Ohio State's Stacey Gordon has extended her double-figure kill streak to 88 after tallying double-digit totals in each of her two matches last weekend. Against Wisconsin on September 24, Gordon registered 27 kills to mark her 100th match with double-figure kills. She now has double-figure kills in 101 of her 103 career matches.

Big Ten Ranks Among Nation's Best

As of September 19, the Big Ten boasted several of its teams and student-athletes at or near the top of the NCAA statistical rankings. Ohio State's Stacey Gordon leads the nation in kills per game (7.00), while teammate Marisa Main is first in the country in assists per game (14.94). In team categories, Ohio State leads the nation in assists per game (16.85) followed by top-ranked Minnesota (16.28). In the same category, Purdue ranks eighth and Penn State is 10th. OSU also holds the nation's best mark in hitting percentage (.348) and kills per game (18.18).

OSU's Stone Reaches No. 500

Ohio State head coach Jim Stone captured his 500th career win September 17 when his Buckeyes defeated Northeastern, 3-1. The win ranks him fourth among active coaches in the League.

Worth the Wait for Waite

Wisconsin head coach Pete Waite captured career win No. 400 last Friday in a 3-0 sweep of Virginia. Waite, who is in his 17th year at the helm of the Badgers, ranks 35th all-time among active coaches with 402 wins, but ranks near the top 10 in winning percentage at .739 (402-142) overall.

Wolverines Go 3-0 For Rosen's 3-0-0

Michigan head coach Mark Rosen recorded his 300th career victory in a 3-0 defeat of Oakland University on September 11. The Wolverines captured the Michigan/Pepsi Challenge title that evening with a 3-0 sweep of Florida State. Rosen is now 304-109 in his 13th season as a head coach and has 95 wins at the Michigan helm, third-best on the all-time list.

The Sweet Smell of a Rose

Penn State opened its season September 3 with a 3-0 sweep of Rutgers, giving head coach Russ Rose his 800th career victory. The Nittany Lion mentor became only the sixth coach in Division I history to reach the 800-win plateau. Currently, Rose ranks second all-time among active coaches in winning percentage (.846, Hawaii's Dave Shoji-.850) and third all-time in victories (811).

BIG TEN VS. NCAA LEADERS

Stats Through 9/19/04;
Top-30 List Compiled Every Wednesday

Assists Per Game

#	Name, Team	Cl	G	A	Per/G
1	Marisa Main, OSU	So.	33	493	14.94
2	Erin Virtue, ILL	Sr.	30	424	14.13
14	Renata Dargan, PUR	Jr.	34	459	13.50
24	Sam Tortorello, PSU	Jr.	30	394	13.13
29	Tasha Arsenych, IND	So.	43	554	12.88

Digs Per Game

#	Name, Team	Cl	G	D	Per/G
1	Elvina Kung, Brown	Sr.	22	156	7.09
7	Paula Gentil, MINN	Jr.	46	281	6.11
19	Pam Kavadas, IOWA	Sr.	39	212	5.44
24	Kaleena Walters, PSU	Jr.	30	158	5.27

Hitting Percentage

#	Name, Team	Cl	G	Kills	Err	TA	Pct.
1	Sami Cash, UC Irvine	Sr.	30	94	15	151	.523
8	Stacey Gordon, OSU	Sr.	32	224	44	403	.447
24	Kim Holm, PSU	So.	30	65	12	130	.408

Kills Per Game

#	Name, Team	Cl	G	Kills	Per/G
1	Stacey Gordon, OSU	Sr.	32	224	7.00
13	Erin Martin, MINN	Sr.	46	240	5.22

Assists Per Game

#	Team	G	Assists	Per/G
1	Ohio State	33	556	16.85
2	Minnesota	46	749	16.28
8	Purdue	38	599	15.76
10	Penn State	30	469	15.63
21	Illinois	34	509	14.97

Blocks Per Game

#	Team	G	BS	BA	Per/G
1	Nebraska	27	17	168	3.74
8	Wisconsin	30	13	180	3.43
23	Michigan	34	20	164	3.00

Digs Per Game

#	Team	G	Digs	Per/G
1	Robert Morris	45	994	22.09
19	Minnesota	46	863	18.76

Hitting Percentage

#	Team	Kills	Err	TA	Pct.
1	Ohio State	600	178	1211	.348
4	Penn State	508	124	1187	.324
12	Purdue	652	204	1551	.289
19	Michigan	546	183	1304	.278
28	Wisconsin	445	152	1100	.266

Kills Per Game

#	Team	G	Kills	Per/G
1	Ohio State	33	600	18.18
2	Minnesota	46	812	17.65
8	Purdue	38	652	17.16
13	Penn State	30	508	16.93
25	Illinois	34	557	16.38

MINNESOTA TABBED AS BIG TEN PRESEASON VOLLEYBALL FAVORITE FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR

After earning its first ever trip to the NCAA National Semifinals last season, Minnesota was selected as the top choice in the 2004 Big Ten Volleyball Preseason Coaches Poll, it was announced August 16 by League officials. Penn State, the defending Conference champion, was tabbed second, while Wisconsin was voted to the No. 3 spot. The Big Ten coaches also selected a 12-member Preseason All-Big Ten team, which included student-athletes from nine different League institutions.

2004 BIG TEN PRESEASON POLL

1. Minnesota
2. Penn State
3. Wisconsin
4. Michigan State
5. Illinois
6. Michigan
- Ohio State
8. Purdue
9. Northwestern
10. Indiana
11. Iowa

2004 PRESEASON ALL-BIG TEN VOLLEYBALL TEAM

Name	Yr/Position	Hometown
Erin Virtue, Illinois	Sr./Setter	St. Charles, Ill.
Christina Archibald, Indiana (2)	Sr./Outside Hitter	Belleville, Ill.
Jennifer Gandolph, Michigan	Sr./Outside Hitter	Greenwood, Ind.
Kim Schram, Michigan State #	Sr./Outside Hitter	London, Ontario
Paula Gentil, Minnesota (2)	Jr./Libero	Fortaleza Ceara, Brazil
Erin Martin, Minnesota	Sr./Outside Hitter	Ames, Iowa
Stacey Gordon, Ohio State (3) #	Sr./Outside Hitter	Oshawa, Ontario
Ashley Pederson, Penn State	Sr./Outside Hitter	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Cassy Salyer, Penn State	So./Middle Hitter	Aurora, Colo.
Sam Tortorello, Penn State (2) #	Jr./Setter	Shorewood, Ill.
Renata Dargan, Purdue	Jr./Setter	New Lenox, Ill.
Jill Odenthal, Wisconsin	Sr./Opposite Hitter	Geneva, Ill.

- Unanimous Selection • (2) - Two-time selection • (3) - Three-time selection

NATIONAL ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Compiled by Diane Nordstrom, University of Wisconsin
September 27, 2004

RANKED BY AVERAGE

School	Avg.	Total	Matches
1. Hawaii	6,766	67,659	10
2. Nebraska	4,132	20,662	5
3. WISCONSIN	3,814	26,699	7
4. PENN STATE	2,594	15,564	6
5. Florida	2,039	4,078	2
6. MINNESOTA	2,026	12,157	6
7. ILLINOIS	1,924	9,620	5
8. Illinois State	1,903	9,514	5
9. Pacific	1,866	3,732	2
10. Colorado State	1,801	14,411	8
11. PURDUE	1,645	8,225	5
12. Texas A&M	1,637	8,186	5
13. Long Beach State	1,517	12,137	8
14. Eastern Washington	1,427	1,427	1
15. Texas	1,346	6,731	5
16. Kansas State	1,325	5,299	4
17. MICHIGAN	1,310	7,863	6
18. BYU	1,221	8,548	7
19. Northern Iowa	1,216	3,648	3
20. South Carolina	1,110	3,301	3
21. Notre Dame	1,093	4,373	4
22. Georgia Tech	1,070	5,350	7
23. Valparaiso	1,029	1,029	1
24. Missouri	962	4,812	5
25. North Carolina	946	3,784	4
26. UCLA	942	1,885	2
27. Stanford	924	4,622	5

TOP MATCH ATTENDANCES

8,656 - Pepperdine at Hawaii, 9-25
7,954 - UCLA at Hawaii, 9-11
6,926 - UC Irvine at Hawaii, 9-18
6,849 - Pepperdine at Hawaii, 9-24
6,840 - California at Hawaii, 9-17
6,661 - Arizona at Hawaii, 9-5
6,146 - San Diego at Hawaii, 9-3
6,144 - Santa Clara at Hawaii, 9-10
5,857 - Eastern Washington at Hawaii, 9-2
5,626 - SW Missouri State at Hawaii, 9-9
4,937 - PENN STATE AT WISCONSIN, 9-24
4,520 - OHIO STATE AT WISCONSIN, 9-26
4,299 - GEORGIA TECH AT WISCONSIN, 9-4
4,151 - Florida A&M at Nebraska, 9-10
4,142 - Ball State at Nebraska, 9-11
4,135 - Texas A&M at Nebraska, 9-25
4,127 - Missouri at Nebraska, 9-15
4,107 - Maryland at Nebraska, 9-12
3,998 - VIRGINIA AT WISCONSIN, 9-17
3,986 - Georgia Tech at Colorado State, 8-28
3,383 - Northern Iowa at Illinois State, 9-25
3,321 - MISSOURI AT WISCONSIN, 9-3
3,267 - MINNESOTA AT COLORADO STATE, 8-27
3,044 - CINCINNATI AT WISCONSIN, 9-18
3,043 - WEST VIRGINIA AT PENN STATE, 9-18
3,043 - YALE AT PENN STATE, 9-18

THE MILESTONE MARKER

The following is a list of League coaches who have or had career milestones on the horizon this season:

Coach, Team	Career Win	Countdown
Russ Rose, PSU	800	Set 9/3/04
Chuck Erbe, MSU	550	547, 3 left
Jim Stone, OSU	500	Set 9/17/04
Pete Waite, WIS	400	Set 9/17/04
Don Hardin, ILL	350	342, 8 left
Mark Rosen, MICH	300	Set 9/11/04

Coach, Team	School Win	Countdown
Mike Herbert, MINN	200	Set 8/27/04
Mark Rosen, MICH	100	95, 5 Left
Cindy Fredrick, IOWA	1	Set 9/3/04

Coach, Team	Big Ten Win	Countdown
Mark Rosen, MICH	50	47, 3 left
Cindy Fredrick, IOWA	1	Set 9/25/04

OTHER TOP PERFORMERS IN THE BIG TEN LAST WEEK

ILLINOIS - Meghan Macdonald, Sophomore, Middle Blocker

Macdonald set a new career high against Purdue on Friday with 14 kills, eclipsing her old mark of 12 set last week against Arkansas. She averaged .353 in hitting for the weekend.

INDIANA - Christina Archibald, Senior, Outside Hitter

Archibald extended her 10-plus kill streak to 21 games at Purdue before snapping the streak at Illinois when she registered just eight.

IOWA - Stacy Vitali, Freshman, Outside Hitter

Vitali has played a key role in the last two weeks for Iowa. In the Hawkeyes' Big Ten win against Michigan State, Vitali led all hitters with 22 kills. It was the second conference win for Iowa in two years.

MICHIGAN - Lyndsay Miller, Freshman, Middle Blocker

Miller had 24 kills and nine blocks in her first Big Ten weekend series. She currently ranks second in the League with 1.41 blocks per game.

MICHIGAN STATE - Kim Schram, Senior, Outside Hitter

Schram led Michigan State in its Big Ten-opening matches against Minnesota and Iowa, hitting .262 on the weekend. Her 15 kills at Minnesota marked the first time since State's fourth match of the season that she had at least 15 in a match.

NORTHWESTERN - Drew Robertson, Senior, Setter

Robertson recorded a double-double (34 assists, 16 digs) and kept the 'Cats within striking distance versus No. 4 Penn State last Friday. Against the No. 20 Buckeyes on Saturday, Robertson came two digs shy of recording her second double-double of the weekend. She ended the match with 26 assists and 8 digs.

OHIO STATE - Stacey Gordon, Senior, Outside Hitter

Gordon had 27 kills and 20 digs in OSU's 3-1 win at Wisconsin, the Buckeyes first victory over the Badgers in the last 15 meetings and OSU's first win in Madison since 1995. Her 27 kills was her 100th match with double-figure kills. She now has double-figure kills in 101 of her 103 career matches. Gordon's 20 kills and 12 digs in OSU's 3-0 win at Northwestern gave OSU its first Big Ten road sweep since 2002. Gordon averaged 6.71 kills (.340), 4.57 digs and 1.00 blocks per game on the weekend. She has had 20 or more kills in her last four matches and has extended her streak of consecutive double-figure kill matches to 88. Gordon now has 2,227 career kills. Her 32-digs now gives her 1,243 career digs and has moved her to fourth in OSU career digs passing Laura Davis (1991-94) who has 1,239.

PENN STATE - Syndie Nadeau, Senior, Outside Hitter

Nadeau fell one dig shy of recording two double-doubles for the weekend as the Nittany Lions defeated Northwestern and Wisconsin to open up Big Ten play undefeated on the road. Against the 'Cats, Nadeau recorded a match-high 12 kills and added nine digs and a team-high five blocks in the three game win. In Madison, the senior posted 10 kills while hitting .391 and notched 14 digs for her fourth double-double of the year. For the weekend, Nadeau attacked at a .365 clip and averaged 3.67 kills per game, 3.83 digs per game and 1.17 blocks per game.

PURDUE - Leah Wischmeier, Junior, Outside Hitter

Wischmeier led Purdue in kills in both matches as the Boilermakers started the Big Ten season 2-0 with wins over Indiana and No. 13 Illinois. Wischmeier posted seven kills in Game 2 of Purdue's sweep of the Hoosiers, including back-to-back kills to seal the game. The redshirt junior continued her success against the Illini, racking up 18 kills, including the game-winner of Game 1 and seven in the deciding fourth game. Wischmeier set up Purdue's first match-point attempt with back-to-back kills to make it 29-26 in Game 4. For the week, Wischmeier averaged 5.00 kills per game on a .389 hitting percentage.

WISCONSIN - Jill Odenthal, Senior, Outside Hitter

Odenthal became the 13th player in UW history to record 1,000 career kills last weekend. She totaled 17 kills against Ohio State last Friday, which gave her exactly 1,000 kills. Odenthal moved into 12th on the UW career list when she totalled 10 kills against Penn State on Sunday to move her total to 1,010.

2004 BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

AUGUST 30	Paula Gentili, Minnesota	JR, Libero, Forteleaza Ceara', Brazil/Lake Highland
SEPTEMBER 6	Kim McConaha, Purdue	SR, Middle Hitter, Centerville, Ind./Centerville
SEPTEMBER 13	* Stacey Gordon, Ohio State	SR, Outside Hitter, Oshawa, Ontario, Canada/Eastdale
SEPTEMBER 20	Sam Tortorello, Penn State	JR, Setter, Shorewood, Ill./Joliet Catholic Academy
SEPTEMBER 27	Paula Gentili, Minnesota	JR, Libero, Forteleaza Ceara', Brazil/Lake Highland

* AVCA National Player of the Week



ILLINOIS fighting illini
9-2 (1-1, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
1	ILLINOIS STATE	W, 3-0	30-21, 30-19, 30-20
4	vs. TCU (1)	W, 3-1	30-26, 27-30, 30-21, 30-20
	at Miami (OHIO) (1)	W, 3-0	30-26, 30-18, 30-23
10	MIAMI (OHIO) (2)	W, 3-0	30-20, 30-25, 30-24
11	#1 USC (2)	W, 3-2	30-24, 24-30, 12-30, 30-27, 15-8
14	at Loyola-Chicago	L, 2-3	25-30, 24-30, 30-26, 30-28, 15-13
17	vs. Houston (3)	W, 3-0	30-25, 33-31, 30-16
	vs. Ball State (3)	W, 3-1	30-23, 33-35, 30-23, 30-23
18	at Arkansas (3)	W, 3-1	30-22, 29-31, 30-20, 31-29
24	PURDUE	L, 1-3	25-30, 25-30, 30-21, 28-30
25	INDIANA	W, 3-0	30-22, 30-21, 30-27

OCTOBER			
1	at Northwestern		7 p.m.
2	at Wisconsin		1 p.m.
8	MICHIGAN		7 p.m.
9	MICHIGAN STATE		7 p.m.
15	at Iowa		7 p.m.
16	at Minnesota		7 p.m.
22	PENN STATE		7 p.m.
23	OHIO STATE		7 p.m.
29	at Michigan State		7 p.m.
30	at Michigan		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER			
5	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.
6	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.
12	at Indiana		7 p.m.
13	at Purdue		8 p.m.
19	at Ohio State		7 p.m.
20	at Penn State		7 p.m.
26	MINNESOTA		7 p.m.
27	IOWA		7 p.m.

(1) Hurricane Frances Classic, Oxford, Ohio
(2) State Farm Illini Classic, Champaign, Ill.
(3) C&C Services Invitational, Fayetteville, Ark.



INDIANA hoosiers
6-7 (0-2, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
1	at IUPUI	W, 3-1	30-23, 28-30, 30-25, 30-20
3	MURRAY STATE (1)	W, 3-0	32-30, 30-28, 30-18
4	SAINT LOUIS (1)	L, 0-3	28-30, 30-32, 27-30
	OREGON STATE (1)	W, 3-0	30-24, 30-26, 36-34
10	vs. Arkansas-Little Rock (2)	W, 3-1	30-32, 30-22, 30-15, 30-21
11	vs. Houston (2)	W, 3-1	30-20, 30-18, 27-30, 30-23
	at Texas Arlington (2)	L, 0-3	30-16, 31-29, 30-28
14	IPFW	W, 3-2	30-32, 30-16, 24-30, 30-22, 15-11
17	ALABAMA (3)	L, 1-3	30-25, 26-30, 31-33, 25-30
18	KENT STATE (3)	L, 2-3	30-28, 30-27, 37-39, 28-30, 15-17
18	PITTSBURGH (3)	L, 2-3	30-21, 27-30, 24-30, 30-18, 7-15
22	at Purdue	L, 0-3	22-30, 20-30, 12-30
25	at #13 Illinois	L, 0-3	22-30, 21-30, 27-30

OCTOBER			
1	at Michigan State		7 p.m.
2	at Michigan		6 p.m.
8	OHIO STATE		7 p.m.
9	PENN STATE		7 p.m.
15	at Wisconsin		7 p.m.
16	at Northwestern		7 p.m.
22	MINNESOTA		7 p.m.
23	IOWA		7 p.m.
29	at Penn State		7 p.m.
30	at Ohio State		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER			
5	MICHIGAN		7 p.m.
6	MICHIGAN STATE		7 p.m.
10	PURDUE		7 p.m.
12	ILLINOIS		7 p.m.
18	at Iowa		7 p.m.
20	at Minnesota		7 p.m.
26	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.
27	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.

(1) IU Invitational, Bloomington, Ind.
(2) UT-Arlington Invitational, Arlington, Texas
(3) TIS/Taylor Tournament, Bloomington, Ind.



IOWA hawkeyes
9-1 (1-1, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
3	vs. Wright State (1)	W, 3-2	28-30, 30-25, 30-18, 27-30, 15-11
4	vs. Denver (1)	W, 3-0	30-28, 33-31, 30-20
	at Illinois State (1)	L, 0-3	21-30, 16-30, 25-30
10	vs. Georgia State (2)	W, 3-2	30-26, 30-32, 30-28, 27-30, 15-7
	vs. Weber State (2)	W, 3-1	30-14, 30-24, 25-30, 30-28
11	vs. Grambling State (2)	W, 3-0	30-15, 30-24, 30-24
	at Lamar (2)	W, 3-0	32-30, 30-22, 30-21
14	CREIGHTON	L, 0-3	23-30, 26-30, 18-30
17	EASTERN WASHINGTON (3)	L, 1-3	27-30, 26-30, 30-26, 25-30
18	FURMAN (3)	W, 3-0	30-20, 30-24, 30-14
	CHICAGO STATE (3)	W, 3-0	30-27, 30-23, 30-20
24	MICHIGAN	L, 0-3	35-37, 14-30, 23-30
25	MICHIGAN STATE	W, 3-1	30-25, 28-30, 30-17, 30-20

OCTOBER			
1	at #4 Penn State		7 p.m.
2	at #16 Ohio State		7 p.m.
5	at Northern Iowa		7 p.m.
8	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.
9	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.
13	MINNESOTA		7 p.m.
15	ILLINOIS		7 p.m.
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23	at Indiana		7 p.m.
29	at Wisconsin		7 p.m.
30	at Northwestern		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER			
5	OHIO STATE		7 p.m.
6	PENN STATE		7 p.m.
12	at Michigan State		7 p.m.
13	at Michigan		7 p.m.
18	INDIANA		7 p.m.
21	PURDUE		2 p.m.
24	at Minnesota		7 p.m.
27	at Illinois		7 p.m.

(1) Illinois State Tournament, Normal, Ill.
(2) Lamar University Cardinal Classic, Beaumont, Texas
(3) Hawkeye Holiday Inn Classic, Iowa City, Iowa



MICHIGAN wolverines
10-2 (1-1, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
1	at Valparaiso	W, 3-0	30-24, 30-20, 35-33
3	vs. Maryland-Eastern Shore (1)	W, 3-0	30-18, 30-22, 30-17
4	at Manhattan (1)	W, 3-0	30-19, 30-18, 30-17
	vs. American (1)	W, 3-1	27-30, 30-25, 30-22, 30-27
10	EASTERN MICHIGAN (2)	W, 3-0	32-30, 30-26, 30-17
11	OAKLAND (2)	W, 3-0	30-10, 30-12, 30-18
	FLORIDA STATE (2)	W, 3-0	30-25, 30-22, 30-21
17	VIRGINIA TECH (3)	W, 3-0	30-16, 30-18, 30-24
	WESTERN MICHIGAN (3)	L, 2-3	30-27, 30-25, 27-30, 27-30, 14-16
18	TENNESSEE (3)	W, 3-1	30-27, 19-30, 30-23, 30-20
24	at Iowa	W, 3-0	37-35, 30-14, 30-23
25	at #1 Minnesota	L, 0-3	30-26, 30-17, 30-27
28	NOTRE DAME		7 p.m.

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26	OHIO STATE		7 p.m.
27	PENN STATE		7 p.m.

(1) Manhattan College Invitational, Riverdale, N.Y.
(2) Michigan/Pepsi Challenge, Ann Arbor, Mich.
(3) Michigan/Nike Challenge, Ann Arbor, Mich.



MICHIGAN STATE spartans
5-5 (0-2, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
3	OHIO (1)	W, 3-0	30-26, 30-22, 30-27
4	ST. JOHN'S (1)	W, 3-0	30-19, 30-24, 30-24
	FLORIDA A&M (1)	W, 3-0	30-23, 30-25, 30-23
10	vs. Arkansas (2)	W, 3-1	29-31, 30-24, 30-22, 30-20
	at Wichita State (2)	W, 3-2	25-30, 30-23, 32-34, 30-27, 15-11
11	vs. #6 Washington (2)	L, 0-3	14-30, 17-30, 27-30
17	vs. Notre Dame (3)	L, 1-3	30-22, 24-30, 30-21, 30-19
18	at South Carolina (3)	L, 2-3	30-22, 30-21, 21-30, 25-30, 15-6
19	vs. #1 USC (3)		CANCELLED
24	at #1 Minnesota	L, 0-3	16-30, 18-30, 19-30
25	at Iowa	L, 0-3	25-30, 30-28, 17-30, 20-30

OCTOBER			
1	INDIANA		7 p.m.
2	PURDUE		7 p.m.
6	at Michigan		7 p.m.
9	at Illinois		7 p.m.
15	at Ohio State		7 p.m.
16	at Penn State		7 p.m.
22	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.
23	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.
27	MICHIGAN		7 p.m.
29	ILLINOIS		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER			
5	at Purdue		7 p.m.
6	at Indiana		7 p.m.
12	IOWA		7 p.m.
13	MINNESOTA		7 p.m.
19	at Northwestern		7 p.m.
20	at Wisconsin		7 p.m.
26	PENN STATE		7 p.m.
27	OHIO STATE		7 p.m.

(1) Coca-Cola/MSU Volleyball Invitational, East Lansing, Mich.
(2) Wichita State Tournament, Wichita, Kan.
(3) South Carolina Invitational, Columbia, S.C.



MINNESOTA golden gophers
13-1 (2-0, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
AUGUST			
27	at #11 Colorado State (1)	W, 3-1	23-30, 30-24, 30-22, 30-27
28	vs. #1 USC (1)	L, 2-3	30-25, 30-32, 30-26, 28-30, 12-15

SEPTEMBER			
3	vs. Texas-San Antonio (2)	W, 3-0	30-20, 30-18, 30-24
	vs. Idaho State (2)	W, 3-0	30-19, 30-19, 30-18
4	at Wyoming (2)	W, 3-0	30-17, 30-24, 30-20
10	#15 KANSAS STATE (3)	W, 3-2	30-28, 26-30, 26-30, 30-27, 15-13
11	#4 FLORIDA (3)	W, 3-2	30-22, 28-30, 26-30, 30-18, 17-15
12	NORTHERN IOWA (3)	W, 3-1	26-30, 30-25, 32-30, 30-24
17	vs. Rice (4)	W, 3-2	30-23, 30-32, 26-30, 30-28, 15-11
18	vs. Loyola Marymount (4)	W, 3-0	32-30, 30-20, 30-23
	at North Carolina (4)	W, 3-0	30-24, 30-22, 30-12
20	CINCINNATI	W, 3-0	30-24, 30-14, 30-19
24	MICHIGAN STATE	W, 3-0	30-16, 30-18, 30-19
25	MICHIGAN	W, 3-0	30-26, 30-17, 30-27

OCTOBER			
1	at #16 Ohio State		7 p.m.
2	at #4 Penn State		7 p.m.
8	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.
9	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.
13	at Iowa		7 p.m.
16	ILLINOIS		7 p.m.
22	at Indiana		7 p.m.
23	at Purdue		7 p.m.
29	at Northwestern		7 p.m.
30	at Wisconsin		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER			
5	PENN STATE		7 p.m.
6	OHIO STATE		7 p.m.
12	at Michigan		7 p.m.
13	at Michigan State		7 p.m.
19	PURDUE		7 p.m.
20	INDIANA		7 p.m.
24	IOWA		7 p.m.
26	at Illinois		7 p.m.

(1) NACWAA Tournament, Colorado Springs, Colo.
(2) Wyoming Tournament, Laramie, Wyo.
(3) Diet Coke Classic, Minneapolis, Minn.
(4) North Carolina Tournament, Chapel Hill, N.C.



NORTHWESTERN wildcats
5-7 (0-2, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
4	IPFW (1)	W, 3-2	26-30, 30-27, 29-31, 22-30, 15-13
5	BOWLING GREEN (1)	W, 3-0	30-28, 26-30, 17-30
	#4 FLORIDA (1)	L, 0-3	24-30, 20-30, 14-30
10	at Loyola (2)	L, 0-3	22-30, 24-30, 28-30
11	vs. DePaul (2)	W, 3-0	30-19, 30-18, 31-29
	vs. Illinois-Chicago (2)	W, 3-1	33-35, 30-22, 30-22, 30-17
14	at #21 Long Beach State	L, 0-3	28-30, 23-30, 24-30
17	VILLANOVA (3)	W, 3-0	30-16, 30-24, 30-23
	WESTERN KENTUCKY (3)	L, 1-3	28-30, 30-17, 29-31, 24-30
18	#13 STANFORD (3)	L, 0-3	17-30, 23-30, 18-30
24	#4 PENN STATE	L, 0-3	25-30, 24-30, 24-30
25	#20 OHIO STATE	L, 0-3	23-30, 17-30, 25-30
29	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.

OCTOBER

1	#19 ILLINOIS		7 p.m.
8	at Iowa		7 p.m.
9	at Minnesota		7 p.m.
15	PURDUE		7 p.m.
16	INDIANA		7 p.m.
22	at Michigan		7 p.m.
23	at Michigan State		7 p.m.
29	MINNESOTA		7 p.m.
30	IOWA		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

3	at Wisconsin		7 p.m.
6	at Illinois		7 p.m.
12	at Ohio State		7 p.m.
13	at Penn State		7 p.m.
19	MICHIGAN STATE		7 p.m.
20	MICHIGAN		7 p.m.
26	at Indiana		7 p.m.
27	at Purdue		7 p.m.

(1) NU Labor Day Invite, Evanston, Ill.
(2) Loyola's Chicago Challenge, Chicago, Ill.
(3) Wildcat Classic, Evanston, Ill.



OHIO STATE buckeyes
12-0 (2-0, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
1	DAYTON	W, 3-0	30-17, 30-16, 30-15
3	at Temple (1)	W, 3-0	30-21, 30-17, 30-22
4	vs. North Carolina (1)	W, 3-1	30-23, 23-30, 30-25, 30-28
	vs. Western Michigan (1)	W, 3-1	30-27, 30-21, 29-31, 30-21
11	vs. Xavier (2)	W, 3-0	30-22, 30-18, 30-22
12	at #21 Georgia Tech (2)	W, 3-0	30-26, 30-28, 30-28
14	YOUNGSTOWN STATE	W, 3-0	30-11, 30-25, 30-20
17	FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL (3)	W, 3-0	30-15, 30-23, 30-23
	NORTHEASTERN (3)	W, 3-1	29-31, 30-17, 30-22, 30-20
18	MONTANA STATE (3)	W, 3-0	30-19, 30-23, 30-24
24	at Wisconsin	W, 3-1	30-20, 23-30, 30-18, 30-24
25	at Northwestern	W, 3-0	30-23, 30-17, 30-25

OCTOBER

1	#1 MINNESOTA		7 p.m.
2	IOWA		7 p.m.
8	at Indiana		7 p.m.
9	at Purdue		7 p.m.
15	MICHIGAN STATE		7 p.m.
16	MICHIGAN		7 p.m.
20	at Penn State		7 p.m.
23	at Illinois		7 p.m.
29	PURDUE		7 p.m.
30	INDIANA		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

5	at Iowa		7 p.m.
6	at Minnesota		7 p.m.
12	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.
13	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.
17	PENN STATE		7 p.m.
19	ILLINOIS		7 p.m.
26	at Michigan		7 p.m.
27	at Michigan State		7 p.m.

(1) Temple Tournament, Philadelphia, Pa.
(2) Georgia Tech Invitational, Atlanta, Ga.
(3) Buckeye Classic, Columbus, Ohio



PENN STATE nittany lions
11-0 (2-0, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
3	RUTGERS (1)	W, 3-0	30-24, 30-25, 30-18
4	QUINNIPIAC (1)	W, 3-0	30-11, 30-5, 30-16
	BRIGHAM YOUNG (1)	W, 3-1	30-26, 27-30, 30-17, 30-11
9	vs. San Francisco (2)	W, 3-0	30-21, 30-20, 30-24
10	at #12 Stanford (2)	W, 3-2	31-29, 23-30, 30-25, 26-30, 15-12
11	vs. Eastern Washington (2)	W, 3-0	30-22, 30-26, 30-14
17	MARYLAND-BALTIMORE CO. (3)	W, 3-0	30-14, 30-12, 30-12
18	YALE (3)	W, 3-0	30-16, 30-14, 30-11
	WEST VIRGINIA (3)	W, 3-0	30-18, 30-20, 30-18
24	at Northwestern	W, 3-0	30-25, 30-24, 30-24
26	at Wisconsin	W, 3-0	30-19, 30-26, 30-28

OCTOBER

1	IOWA		7 p.m.
2	#1 MINNESOTA		7 p.m.
8	at Purdue		7 p.m.
9	at Indiana		7 p.m.
15	MICHIGAN		7 p.m.
16	MICHIGAN STATE		7 p.m.
20	OHIO STATE		7 p.m.
22	at Illinois		7 p.m.
29	INDIANA		7 p.m.
30	PURDUE		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

5	at Minnesota		7 p.m.
6	at Iowa		7 p.m.
12	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.
13	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.
17	at Ohio State		7 p.m.
20	ILLINOIS		7 p.m.
26	at Michigan State		7 p.m.
27	at Michigan		7 p.m.

(1) Penn State Invitational, University Park, Pa.
(2) Stanford Invitational, Palo Alto, Calif.
(3) Penn State Classic, University Park, Pa.



PURDUE boilermakers
9-3 (2-0, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
1	BUTLER	W, 3-1	28-30, 30-25, 30-21, 30-25
3	vs. #12 Georgia Tech (1)	W, 3-1	30-27, 30-26, 27-30, 30-28
4	vs. Missouri (1)	W, 3-2	17-30, 33-31, 25-30, 30-24, 15-9
10	vs. Tennessee-Martin (2)	W, 3-0	30-17, 30-18, 30-19
11	vs. Wake Forest (2)	L, 0-3	22-30, 19-30, 27-30
	at Tennessee (2)	L, 1-3	30-28, 23-30, 24-30, 23-30
14	VALPARAISO	W, 3-1	30-16, 30-17, 28-30, 30-26
17	CENTRAL MICHIGAN (3)	W, 3-0	30-18, 30-15, 30-24
18	EAST TENNESSEE STATE (3)	W, 3-0	30-12, 30-22, 30-16
	KENTUCKY (3)	L, 2-3	30-24, 21-30, 31-33, 30-25, 15-17
22	INDIANA	W, 3-0	30-22, 30-20, 30-12
24	at #13 Illinois	W, 3-1	30-25, 30-25, 21-30, 30-28

OCTOBER

1	at Michigan		7 p.m.
2	at Michigan State		7 p.m.
8	PENN STATE		7 p.m.
9	OHIO STATE		7 p.m.
15	at Northwestern		7 p.m.
16	at Wisconsin		7 p.m.
22	IOWA		7 p.m.
23	MINNESOTA		8 p.m.
29	at Ohio State		7 p.m.
30	at Penn State		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

5	MICHIGAN STATE		7 p.m.
6	MICHIGAN		7 p.m.
10	at Indiana		7 p.m.
13	ILLINOIS		8 p.m.
19	at Minnesota		7 p.m.
21	at Iowa		2 p.m.
26	WISCONSIN		7 p.m.
27	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.

(1) Badger Challenge, Madison, Wis.
(2) Lady Vols Classic, Knoxville, Tenn.
(3) Mortar Board Premier, West Lafayette, Ind.



WISCONSIN badgers
6-4 (0-2, Big Ten)

Date	Opponent	W/L	Time/Score
SEPTEMBER			
3	MISSOURI (1)	L, 1-3	19-30, 30-25, 35-37, 13-30
4	#12 GEORGIA TECH (1)	W, 3-2	30-22, 26-30, 30-22, 19-30, 20-18
10	vs. Denver (2)	W, 3-0	30-23, 30-21, 30-19
	at Kansas (2)	L, 1-3	21-30, 26-30, 31-29, 22-30
11	vs. Rhode Island (2)	W, 3-1	30-28, 21-30, 30-20, 30-20
17	VIRGINIA (3)	W, 3-0	30-20, 30-20, 30-21
18	MARSHALL (3)	W, 3-0	30-13, 30-19, 30-24
	CINCINNATI (3)	W, 3-0	30-25, 30-25, 30-20
24	#20 OHIO STATE	L, 1-3	20-30, 30-23, 18-30, 24-30
26	#4 PENN STATE	L, 0-3	19-30, 26-30, 28-30
29	at Northwestern		7 p.m.

OCTOBER

3	#19 ILLINOIS		1 p.m.
8	at Minnesota		7 p.m.
9	at Iowa		7 p.m.
15	INDIANA		7 p.m.
16	PURDUE		7 p.m.
22	at Michigan State		7 p.m.
23	at Michigan		7 p.m.
29	IOWA		7 p.m.
30	MINNESOTA		7 p.m.

NOVEMBER

3	NORTHWESTERN		7 p.m.
5	at Illinois		7 p.m.
12	at Penn State		7 p.m.
13	at Ohio State		7 p.m.
19	MICHIGAN		7 p.m.
20	MICHIGAN STATE		7 p.m.
26	at Purdue		7 p.m.
27	at Indiana		7 p.m.

(1) Badger Challenge, Madison, Wis.
(2) Kansas Invitational, Lawrence, Kan.
(3) InnTowner Invitational, Madison, Wis.