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Passed on from this world but never forgotten, Jack Johnson will always be part of the Minnesota wrestling program. The 2006-07 Minnesota Wrestling Media Guide is dedicated to Johnson, the team’s equipment manager, who passed away in February 2006 after a battle with cancer.

QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION
Location ............................................................ Minneapolis, Minn.
Founded ........................................................... 1851
Enrollment ....................................................... 48,150
Nickname ......................................................... Golden Gophers
Colors ............................................................. Maroon and Gold
Conference ...................................................... Big Ten
Facility ............................................................ Sports Pavilion (5,700)
University President ......................................... Robert H. Bruininks
Director of Athletics .......................................... Joel Maturi

TEAM INFORMATION
2005-06 Overall Record ..................................... 20-1
2005-06 Big Ten Record/Finish ......................... 1-1/2nd place
2005-06 Big Ten Tournament Finish ................. 1st place (138 pts)
2006-06 NCAA Finish ...................................... 2nd place (84 pts)
Lettermen Returning/Lost ................................ 14/1
Starters Returning/Lost .................................... 9/1
NCAA Qualifiers Returning/Lost ....................... 7/1
All-Americans Returning/Lost ............................ 4/1

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GOLDEN GOPHER ATHLETICS MISSION STATEMENT
To serve as a window to the University, in an environment of integrity and equity, that enables student-athletes to achieve excellence in their academic and athletic pursuits.

The University of Minnesota is committed to the policy that all persons shall have equal access to its programs, facilities and employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, handicap, age, veteran status or sexual orientation.

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**National Power**

The University of Minnesota wrestling program has reached an elite level under Head Coach J. Robinson. Recruiting some of the nation's top talent and developing wrestlers throughout the course of their career has provided the perfect formula in leading the Golden Gophers to national prominence. One of the most dominant teams in the country over the last 10 seasons, Minnesota is a perennial contender at the NCAA Championships.
National Supremacy

- 2 Straight National Championships in 2001 and 2002
- 57 All-Americans since 1987, tied for most in the nation
- 9 Individual NCAA champions in the last 10 years
- 10 All-Americans in 2001, the first and only team to accomplish the feat
- 4 National Duals titles since 1998
- 843 Dual most winning percentage since 1997 98

Big Ten Dominance

- 5 Big Ten titles in the last eight years
- 25 Big Ten individual titles since 1997, the most in the conference
- 3 Wrestlers have earned the Big Ten Wrestler of the Year award since 1999
- 2 Consecutive Big Ten Freshman of the Year winners (2005, 2006)
- 9 Of the last 10 years, Minnesota has placed in the Top Two at Big Tens
- 6 Big Ten Coach of the Year awards for J Robinson

Ryan Lewis was the 2003 Big Ten champion at 133 pounds and was a two-time national runner-up.
NATIONAL CHAMPS

DAMON HAHN was a four-time All-American and won consecutive national titles at 191 pounds in 2002 and 2004.

BROCK LESNAR took home the 2000 national title at heavyweight after finishing as the runner-up in 1999.

JARED LAWRENCE won the 2007 national title at 149 pounds and finished his career as a four-time All-American.

GULE KUNHAU won the 2008 national title at heavyweight and is a three-time All-American heading into his senior season.
# Gopher Individual Champions

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Marty Morgan was the first national champion for head coach Jim Robinson. The current Gopher head assistant coach won the 1991 149-pound crown.

Luke Becker was a four-time All-American and won the 2002 national crown at 157 pounds.

Dustin Schlatter became the first Gopher freshman to win a national title, winning the 149-pound crown in 2006.
University of Minnesota

About the ‘U’

- Founded in 1851, the University of Minnesota is one of the most comprehensive public universities in the United States and ranks among the most prestigious. It is both the state land-grant university and the state’s primary research university.
- The University of Minnesota, Twin Cities campus is the largest of the four University of Minnesota campuses.
- The University of Minnesota has the second largest student population in the nation, with approximately 50,000 undergraduate and graduate students visiting campus on a daily basis.
- More than 150 bachelor’s degrees, 200 master’s degrees and 100 doctoral degrees are offered.
- More than 30 University programs rank among the top 10 nationally. The University’s Twin Cities campus consistently ranks among the top three public research universities in the nation.
A world-class university — known globally as a leader in teaching, research and public service, the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities consistently ranks among the top 20 public universities in the nation. More than 150 bachelor's degrees, 200 master's degrees and 100 doctoral degrees make the University one of the most comprehensive institutions in the country. Many of the programs are recognized as national and international leaders.

Also a thriving center for culture and the arts, the “U” features outstanding galleries, museums, concerts, theater productions and public lectures. Add in the excitement of Big Ten Athletics and the University of Minnesota has something for everyone. The University community is a broad mix of ethnic backgrounds, interests and cultures. Students come from all 50 states and more than 100 foreign countries. Many small communities of students, faculty and staff help to create a welcoming feeling on campus.

The campus in Minneapolis is located just a few minutes east of downtown. Nestled along the bluffs of the Mississippi River, buildings in Minneapolis range from the ultramodern Weisman Art Museum to the classic and stately Northrop Memorial Auditorium. A few miles to the east in St. Paul, rolling hills and quiet lawns create a more rural setting. The Minneapolis and St. Paul parts of the campus are connected by a convenient campus shuttle system.

The University of Minnesota also provides a life beyond the campus like few other Big Ten universities can. The dynamic communities of Minneapolis and St. Paul offer something for everyone — a nationally-recognized arts and theater community, a thriving entertainment industry, a host of Fortune 500 companies, four glorious seasons of outdoor recreation, exciting professional sports, shopping and restaurants for every taste, all located close to campus.

Founded in 1851, seven years before the territory of Minnesota became a state, the University is the largest in the state and touches the lives of thousands of people every day through its various programs, organizations and associations.
CAMPUS

ONE OF THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE AND PRESTIGIOUS...
Spanning over 2,000 acres filled with vibrant green grass, tall beautiful trees, both historic and modern architecture, the University of Minnesota Twin Cities is uniquely divided among two thriving cities, Minneapolis and St. Paul. The "U," as it is known to locals, was first chartered in 1851 and recently celebrated its sesquicentennial anniversary in 2001.

The heart of campus runs along the east bank of the Mississippi River in Minneapolis. The East Bank contains unique and historic buildings including Northrop Auditorium, home to musical concerts, theatrical performances, convocations, and graduations. The iconic Weisman Art Museum is located right along the east bank of the Mississippi River. The stainless steel building which was called one of the "five most gorgeous galleries on Earth" by New York Times architecture critic Herbert Muschamp, contains many celebrated art works from around the world. Pillsbury Hall, one of the oldest remaining buildings on campus named after former University Regent John S. Pillsbury, provides students, faculty and visitors with a memory of how the campus first appeared. The Coffman Memorial Union, situated adjacent to the Weisman Art Museum, is home to many student organizations and was recently renovated to provide students with top-of-the-line services. Included in the renovation was a dining venue with 10 restaurant options, a game center, computer labs and a campus bookstore.

On the opposite side of the Mississippi River is the University's West Bank campus. Only a few blocks from downtown Minneapolis, the West Bank campus features many modernized buildings, including the Carlson School of Management building and the University's largest library, Wilson Library. Access to the West Bank campus can be obtained by traveling across the Washington Avenue Bridge, a double-decker bridge that accommodates motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and in-line skaters. The bridge also contains a sheltered area for the winter months.

The St. Paul campus provides a distinctly different atmosphere. This "small college" environment is only a short bus ride from the Minneapolis campus using the University shuttle. The Agriculture, Biological Sciences and Human Ecology departments all are located on the St. Paul campus. For those who wish to enjoy all the amenities of a large research university, but live in a small town setting, the St. Paul campus offers this.

The University 154 years old, has seen remarkable improvements and growth. From the first permanent university building, the Old Main built in 1858, to the many current construction projects, the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities campus offers students, faculty and visitors a one-of-a-kind learning environment. 
TWIN CITIES

ONLY IN THE TWIN CITIES
- The largest enclosed mall in the country, the Mall of America
- Second most theater seats per capita behind New York City
- More golfers per capita than any city in the country
- Over 52 blocks of downtown Minneapolis are connected by skyways
TWIN CITIES FACTS

- The Twin Cities metro area has a population of over 2.5 million and is the nation’s 14th-largest media market.
- Minneapolis was named the “Most Fun City in America” by Money Magazine’s “Best Places to Live.”
- Men’s Journal ranked Minneapolis as the “Most Athletic City” in 2006.
- The Twin Cities boast all four major sports franchises (NFL, NBA, NHL, MLB).
- The Twin Cities are home to 130 art galleries and 36 museums.
- 18 Fortune 500 companies are located in the Twin Cities.
- A 2004 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater study revealed Minneapolis as the “Most Literate City” in America.
- Entrepreneur ranked the Twin Cities as the No. 1 large city for entrepreneurs.
- Population Connection ranked Minneapolis as the fifth-best “kid friendly” large city.
- Kiplinger’s rated Minneapolis No. 2 on its “50 Best Places To Live” list.
- Minnesota has been ranked as the healthiest state by United Health Foundation for three straight years.
- Men’s Journal rated the Twin Cities as one of the “50 Best Places To Live” in 2006.
PRO SPORTS, CONCERTS, OUTDOORS

- Target Center (downtown Minneapolis) and Xcel Energy Center (downtown St Paul) both seat over 19,000 spectators and host hundreds of sporting events and concerts each year.
- The Twin Cities are home to the Timberwolves (NBA), Vikings (NFL), Twins (MLB) and Wild (NHL).
- The Twin Cities also play host to professional soccer, women's basketball, lacrosse and minor league baseball.
- Minnesota has over 15,000 lakes that boast some of the country's finest fishing and boating.
- The Twin Cities' thousands of recreational areas and trails make it one of the top outdoor destinations.

ENTERTAINMENT

IT'S BEEN TO THE TWIN CITIES

- 2004 NBA Western Conference Finals
- 2004, '03, '02 American League Divisional Series
- 2002 Major League Baseball ALCS
- 2004 NFL All-Star Game
- 2003 NHL Western Conference Finals
- 2004 World Cup of Hockey
- 2002 PGA Championship
- 2006 U.S. Amateur Golf Championship
- 2001 & 1997 NCAA Men's Basketball Final Four
- 2000 NFL Playoffs
- 2006 & 2003 NCAA Men's Basketball Midwest Regional
Outdoors Options

- The Twin Cities offer countless outdoor sporting activities, including fishing, boating, camping, skiing, golfing, and hiking to name a few. The Cities are covered with trails and thousands of lakes set to entertain any outdoor enthusiast.
ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE
Championships

22 National Championships won by Minnesota overall
7 National Championships won in the last six years
20 Big Ten/WCHA conference regular season or tournament championships won in the last five years

Achievements

16 of Minnesota’s 75 teams finished in the top three of its conference in 2005-06
4 Conference championships won in 2005-06 (men’s hockey, wrestling, women’s gymnastics, women’s outdoor track & field)
11 Straight top 25 finishes in the U.S. Sports Academy Director’s Cup measuring overall athletic prowess
23 Academic All-Americans over the last three years
33 First Team All-Americans in 2005-06
20 Gopher programs reached NCAA postseason competition in 2005-06 including six that finished in the top 15 nationally
ATHLETICS FACILITIES
ACADEMICS

• America’s Best Colleges, published by U.S. News & World Report, named the University of Minnesota among the top 30 public national universities for 2006.
• The University features 145 academic majors or design your own.
• University of Minnesota’s faculty ranks among the Top Ten public institutions in the nation.
• Gourman’s Rating of Undergraduate Programs at the University of Minnesota ranked #14 nationally.
• A record 221 Minnesota student-athletes were named Academic All-Big Ten during the 2005-06 academic year.
• 374 U of M student-athletes maintained a 3.0 grade point average or better during the 2005-06 academic year.
Academic Excellence at the University of Minnesota

Programs Rated Best in the United States
- Agriculture Economics (1st)
- Geography (1st)
- Chemical Engineering (1st)
- Scandinavian Languages (1st)
- Forestry (1st)

Programs Rated in the Top 5 in the United States
- Aerospace Engineering (4th)
- Latin (4th)
- Agricultural Business (5th)
- Materials Science & Engineering (3rd)
- Astrophysics (5th)
- Mechanical Engineering (4th)
- Fish/Game Management (8th)
- Occupational Therapy (6th)
- Geological Engineering (3rd)
- Physical Therapy (4th)
- Home Economics (2nd)
- Psychology (5th)
- Journalism (4th)
- Speech Pathology (3rd)

Programs Rated in the Top 10 in the United States
- Agricultural Engineering (8th)
- Geophysics (10th)
- Agriculture (9th)
- Geosciences (10th)
- Agronomy (9th)
- Greek (10th)
- American Studies (7th)
- Horticulture (8th)
- Animal Science (7th)
- Landscape Architecture (7th)
- Child Psychology (8th)
- Natural Resource Management (7th)
- Economics (7th)
- Political Science (9th)
- Entomology (8th)
- South Asian Studies (7th)
- Food Science (12th)
- Statistics (5th)
- Horticulture (10th)

Programs Rated In the Top 15 in the United States
- Accounting (13th)
- Environmental Science (12th)
- Architecture (13th)
- Hebrew (13th)
- Bacteriology (12th)
- Marketing (13th)
- Botany (13th)
- Microbiology (13th)
- Business Administration (15th)
- Nursing (12th)
- Cell Biology (13th)
- Nutrition (11th)
- Communications (14th)
- Parks Management (12th)
- Theater (11th)
- Environmental Design (14th)

Programs Rated in the Top 20 in the United States
- Electrical Engineering (19th)
- Near/Middle Eastern Studies (16th)
- German (20th)
- Philosophy (20th)
- Italian (20th)
- Pre-Law Studies (20th)
- Management (16th)
- Spanish (18th)
- Mathematics (17th)

Programs Rated in the Top 25 in the United States
- Art (24th)
- Geology (26th)
- Art History (27th)
- History (24th)
- Astronomy (23rd)
- Linguistics (26th)
- Chemistry (22nd)
- Physics (23rd)
- Computer Science (21st)
- Pre-Medical Studies (24th)
LIFE SKILLS

CHAMPS/LIFE SKILLS
Program History

In 1991, the NCAA Foundation initiated efforts to create a total development program for student-athletes. Through the collaborative efforts of the NCAA Foundation and the Division I-A Athletic Department's Association, the CHAMPS/Life Skills Program (Challenging Athletes Minds for Personal Success) was created. Today, the NCAA Education Outreach staff oversees the development of the program, offering services, support, and programs to participating institutions throughout the year. The CHAMPS/Life Skills Program is supported through the promotional and financial efforts of the NCAA Foundation and the NCAA national office.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM

The Life Skills Program at the University of Minnesota includes many programs all designed to help make the student-athlete's experience a positive one. The CHAMPS/Life Skills program is an NCAA sponsored program designed to focus on the total development of the student-athlete. Part of the mission of the Athletic Department is to encourage student-athletes to achieve excellence in their academic and athletic pursuits.

In an effort to assist our student-athletes further, the program is designed to give a comprehensive approach to providing educational experiences and services which focus on the individual. We presently utilize a freshman orientation course, personal development programs, Golden Career Opportunities, various community outreach efforts, and our Student Athlete Advisory Committee (S.A.A.C.) to impact the lives of our young men and women.

Gopher involvement in the CHAMPS/Life Skills Program helps student-athletes enhance the quality of their experience here within the university setting. We are also supplied with instructional materials and supplemental resources which support our student-athletes development within the CHAMPS/Life Skills Commitment Statements' five key areas: academic excellence, athletic excellence, personal development, career development, and community service.
2006-07 SEASON OUTLOOK

Four returning All-Americans and seven NCAA qualifiers hope to lead Minnesota to the national title.

When a second-place finish at the NCAA Championships is a disappointment, it says something about the expectations surrounding a program. The Golden Gophers played the role of underdog through the early part of last season but quickly proved they were one of the elite teams in the nation.

Defending national champions Cole Konrad and Dustin Schlatter lead a group of four All-Americans and seven NCAA qualifiers who return from last year’s team. In addition, C.P. Schlatter and Roger Kish both won Big Ten titles last year and also have their sights set on capturing national titles this season. With an abundance of talent and experience returning, Minnesota expects nothing less than to finish at the top as a team this year.

“Last year we were fighting to get to the top and didn’t finish where we wanted to be,” Head Coach J Robinson said. “This year the guys are a little hungrier. They realize that being No. 1 during the year doesn’t equate to being there at the end of the year, so they’re taking a different approach. These guys expect to do great things, and they have the maturity to understand what they need to do to reach their ultimate goal.”

The foundation is definitely in place to make a run at the NCAA Championships, but the performance of a number of young wrestlers, veterans and a transfer will determine whether the Gophers will be a great team. Redshirt freshman Jayson Ness is expected to start at 125 pounds, while a number of wrestlers are battling for time at the 133, 165 and 197 spots.

In order to reach the goal of winning the national championship, the coaching staff knows it is going to take an entire team effort from top to bottom.

“Our goal is always to get 10 guys to perform at their best in order to compete for the national title,” Robinson said. “We have to continue to improve from week to week and keep our attitude and focus on what we need to do. There will be bumps along the way, but when the time comes we have to rise to the occasion, and this is a team that can do that.”

Pitted as the top team in the nation by every preseason poll, the Gophers have nothing left to do but go out and prove they are deserving. It is a challenge they have been waiting for since the end of last season.

Mack Reiter will look to earn All-American status for the third straight year after battling back from a preseason knee injury.

“It’s been a long wait for these guys to get back out on the mat and start competing,” Assistant Coach Joe Russell stated. “Coming off of last year, winning the Big Ten team title and taking second at nationals, the guys are hungry and anxious to get back out there.”

Redshirt freshman Jayson Ness is primed to take over the reins at 125 pounds. After a redshirt season last year, Ness’s coaches and teammates have raved about his work ethic and the progress he made over the offseason. A former two-time state champion and Asics All-American out of Bloomington Kennedy High School, Ness compiled a 19-4 overall record with seven pins while wrestling at 125 and 133 pounds in his first year of collegiate competition. He took titles at the Flash Flanagan and North Country Kaufman-Brand Open. Following a season in which the 125-pound weight class was up for grabs for most of the year, the Minnesota coaching staff expects a consistent performance from Ness this year.

“Jayson has always been a guy who has competed at the highest level nationally,” Russell said. “He had a great redshirt year and put himself in a place where he’ll be very competitive in his first season in the starting lineup. He’s stepping in as a redshirt freshman, but he’s gained a lot of experience over the years and we expect big things out of him.”

Mike Thorn and Jake Mellmer will battle for the starting spot until Reiter’s expected return in early February.

A preseason injury to two-time All-American Mack Reiter has made things interesting for the Gophers at 133, but two very capable true freshman are anxious to get their feet wet. Mike Thorn and Jake Mellmer will battle for the starting spot until Reiter’s expected return in early February.

The Wrestler of the Year in the state of Minnesota a year ago, Thorn won three state titles and was a four-time finalist during his prep career. A native of St. Michael, Minn., he is a former Cadet National Champion and Junior National All-American.

Mellmer followed his brother Marc’s footsteps to the University of Minnesota and comes in with some very impressive credentials as well. The Dickinson, N.D., native was a four-time North Dakota state champion and five-time state finalist.

With such big shoes to fill, Thorn and Mellmer will have to grow up quickly, but the competition between the two will benefit both of them as they prepare to compete at the Division I level.

“Both of the freshmen are excited,” Robinson stated. “It’s going to be great for them because they’re going to get a lot of attention and it’s going to help them see what they need to do. We need to help them out as much as we can until Mack comes back in February.”

Gabriel Dretsch looks to earn All-America honors after two straight trips to the NCAA Championships.
Season Outlook

Manuel Rivera was one of most improved wrestlers on the Golden Gopher roster a year ago. He set himself apart from the other wrestlers who began the season looking to compete for the starting spot at 141 and put together a solid sophomore season. Rivera finished with a 28-15 overall record, including a 5-2 mark during the Big Ten season. Rivera went on to compete in his first NCAA Championships and gained valuable experience that will benefit him heading into this season.

‘Manuel has established himself as one of the elite wrestlers in college wrestling,’ Russell stated. ‘He had a great spring and summer of training and we expect him to step up and continue to grow. It’s his time to shine, and I think he’s ready.’

It is atypical under Head Coach J Robinson for a freshman not to redshirt, but when Dustin Schlatter arrived on campus last year, the Minnesota coaching staff had no choice but to put him in the lineup. He rewarded them with the best freshman season in school history. Schlatter turned it on in the second half of the year and turned heads with his performance at the 2006 National Duals when he defeated three top-five opponents. He went on to finish his freshman campaign with a 42-1 overall record and became the first Gopher freshman to win an NCAA title. A native of Park Rapids, Minn., Safratowich finished the 2005-06 season with a 16-15 overall record, including a 17-4 mark in dual meets. Kish has had no choice but to put him in the lineup last year. After competing at heavyweight during his freshman season, last year was an adjustment period for him. Rivera went on to compete in his first NCAA Championships and dominated the dual meet season, outscoring his opponents 62-6, and finished with an impressive 36-7 overall record, including a 7-1 mark in the Big Ten. Schlatter went on to capture his first conference title and competed in his second NCAA Championships. He hopes to use that experience to reach the next level and compete for an individual national title this year.

“We expect C.P. to come back and defend his Big Ten title and then go on to nationals and do great things,” Russell commented. “He’s been really solid for us his first couple of years despite having to overcome a major injury. He’s done a great job and we expect him to step up even more this year in his junior season.”

Sophomore Tyler Safratowich moves up a couple of weight classes this year and will battle for time at 157 and 165 pounds for the Gophers. A native of Park Rapids, Minn., Safratowich finished the 2005-06 season with a 16-9 overall record and competed in three dual meets, filling in for Manuel Rivera and Dustin Schlatter.

The Gophers have four veterans and one true freshman competing to fill the void left by All-American Matt Nagel at 165 pounds. Juniors Mitch Kuhlman, Matt Everson and Jeremy Larson, redshirt freshman Nate Matousek and true freshman Scott Glasser are all looking to make their case during the preseason.

Kihlm is the most battle-tested of the bunch, coming off a season which he spent competing at 197 pounds against wrestlers who often outweighed him by more than 20 pounds. The Medford, Minn., native held his own at 197 despite being outnumbered, finishing the year with a 14-15 overall record, including a 3-4 mark during the conference season. He competed in his first Big Ten Championships and looks to make a bigger impact this year now that he is competing at his ideal weight.

Larson is an experienced wrestler who showed great improvement last season. A native of Preston, Minn., he finished the year with a 13-5 overall record with five pins. As a redshirt freshman, Larson competed in eight dual meets in place of Gabe Dretsch at 174 and Roger Kish at 184 pounds.

True freshman Scott Glasser arrives on the University of Minnesota campus with some very impressive credentials to his credit. The only five-time Class A state champion North Dakota history, Glasser was part of a Bismarck High School team that has captured seven consecutive state dual team titles. He was a Wrestling USA All-American and placed second at the 2006 Junior Freestyle Nationals.

Junior Gabriel Dretsch has made significant strides over the last two seasons and has solidified the starting spot at 174 pounds. He competed in his second NCAA Championships last season after a fourth-place finish at the 2006 Big Ten Tournament. After falling to top-seed and eventual NCAA Champion Jake Herbert in the first round of the conference meet, Dretsch rallied to win three consecutive matches to earn his second NCAA Tournament appearance. He finished the season with a 28-16 overall record and looks to build on that performance this year.

“Gabe has been a starter for us for two years now,” Russell said. “That experience has been valuable for him. He’s an upperclassmen now, so we expect him to be one of the anchors of our team. Gabe is a little bit of an unorthodox wrestler, but he uses that to his advantage and is exciting to watch because he leaves everything out on the mat.”

Junior Justin Bronson returns with the most experience to reach the next level and compete for an individual national title. Kish emerged as one of the top wrestlers on the team last season with a breakout performance in which he won 19 of his final 21 matches. He won his first Big Ten title and then put together a remarkable run at the NCAA meet, winning his first four matches to earn his first All-America distinction. He finished the year with a 37-5 overall record, including a 17-4 mark in dual meets. Kish dedicated himself over the offseason to perfecting his positions and enters the 2006-07 season as one of the most focused wrestlers on the roster.

“After January last year, Roger broke through and I think realized how good he can be,” Morgan stated. “This year he has a different mindset. He’s not looking just to win this year – he wants to dominate.”

The Minnesota coaching staff believes increased competition at 197 pounds will lead to stronger results. With five wrestlers in the mix during the preseason, the starting spot is there for the taking.

“We have a lot of tradition at 197, so the expectations are high for whoever steps in there,” Robinson stated. “It’s not just finding a guy to stick in the lineup – it’s a guy we expect to do well at nationals. We have some talented guys at that weight class and we expect one of them to step up and be there in the end.”

Junior Justin Bronson returns with the most experience after he split time with Mitch Kuhlman in the starting lineup last year. After competing at heavyweight during his freshman season, last year was an adjustment period for Bronson, but he has made significant strides during the offseason and has his sights set on a full-time starting position.
Junior college transfer Yura Malamura joins the Golden Gopher program and hopes to have an immediate impact. The 2005 National Junior College champion, Malamura has three years of eligibility remaining after taking a redshirt season last year.

True freshman Brent Eidenschink has been impressive during preseason workouts and will also factor into the equation. A product of Detroit Lakes High School, Eidenschink holds the school’s career and season records for wins and pins. He was a three-time all-state selection and four-time Cadet All-American.

Redshirt freshman Chris McPhail and junior Jason Waidzulis will also push for consideration. McPhail compiled a 9-8 overall record last year during his first season of collegiate competition. Waidzulis has continued to work hard and shown improvement during his first two seasons with the program. He has made one dual meet start in his career.

“The competition should be good for our team because somebody is going to have to step up and control that weight class,” Robinson said.

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Defending national champion Cole Konrad is the class of the NCAA in the heavyweight division. A three-time All-American, Konrad finished the 2005-06 season with a perfect 41-0 record and needs just 18 straight wins to open his career.

“Cole has handled the whole situation really well,” Morgan commented. “He’s confident in where he’s at this year but hasn’t settled for complacency. He has trained as hard, if not harder, than he ever has before with the idea that he wants to distance himself from the rest of the competition.”

SCHEDULE

In addition to the always grueling Big Ten slate, Minnesota will challenge itself against a number of perennial powers during the non-conference portion of the schedule. Defending NCAA Champion Oklahoma State will visit the Sports Pavilion on Wed., Dec. 6, and the Gophers will turn right around to face Iowa State in Ames, Iowa on Dec. 8. The Gophers will also entertain Arizona State on Jan. 2.

Minnesota will seek to defend its National Duals on Jan. 13-14 in Cedar Falls, Iowa before opening the Big Ten season with three straight home matches against Penn State (Jan. 21), Michigan (Jan. 26) and Purdue (Jan. 28). Minnesota will finish the season with five of its final six dual meets at home.

Minnesota will look to defend its conference title at the 2007 Big Ten Championships, which will be held on the campus of Michigan State University, Mar. 3-4. Two weeks later, the Gophers will return to Michigan and attempt to capture a national title at the 2007 NCAA Championships at the Palace of Auburn Hills near Detroit.

“We always prepare a very rigorous schedule because the national tournament is so rigorous,” Morgan stated. “Plus, when you plan a schedule like that, it also helps to market our sport. Bringing in the biggest names and going other places and wrestling against the biggest names helps our guys deal with pressure. We’re not the type of program that says March is all that matters. Our guys believe every match matters, so we set out to perform at our highest level at all times.”

INTERMAT/NWCA PRESEASON TOP 25

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Manuel Rivera qualified for the NCAA Championships for the first time in 2006 at 141 pounds.
## 2006-07 Minnesota Roster

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## 2006-07 Roster by Class/State

- **Seniors**: 3
- **Juniors**: 11
- **Sophomores**: 7
- **Redshirt Freshmen**: 3
- **Freshmen**: 8
- **Total**: 31

### By Class
- **165**: Mitch Kuhlman, Jr.
  - or - Jeremy Larson, Jr.
  - or - Nate Matousek, R-Fr.
  - or - Matthew Everson, Jr.
  - or - Jordan Kolbow, Fr.
  - or - Scott Glasser, So.
  - or - Dan Konrad, Fr.

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- **Washington**: 2
- **Wisconsin**: 2
- **Indiana**: 1
- **Michigan**: 1
- **South Dakota**: 1
- **California**: 1
- **Iowa**: 1
Robinson has amassed an overall record of 298-102-3 with the Gophers, including a 105-51-2 record against Big Ten competition. During his tenure, he has led Minnesota to five Big Ten titles and 14 top-three league finishes. Since 1997, Robinson has guided the Gophers to eight top-three NCAA finishes, the most of any program in the country over that stretch.


Robinson has also coached 23 different wrestlers to 35 Big Ten individual titles. Minnesota's four champions last year – Dustin Schlatter, C.P. Schlatter, Roger Kish and Cole Konrad – were the second-most in Robinson's tenure, as he produced five individual league champions in 2002. He has led the Gophers to top-four conference finishes in 16 of his 20 seasons, including placing in the top three at the Big Ten Championships each of the last ten years.

Minnesota's Big Ten team title last year was its fifth in the last eight years under Robinson. His first conference crown came in 1999, halting Iowa's streak of 25 straight league titles and beginning a run of Big Ten dominance for the Golden Gophers. Minnesota wrestlers have won 23 individual conference titles in the past eight seasons (1999-2006), as opposed to 17 titles in the previous 17 seasons.

In June of 2005, Robinson earned the ultimate honor as he was inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame in a ceremony held in Stillwater, Okla.

Robinson was hired at Minnesota prior to the 1986-87 season to replace Wally Johnson who held the reins of the program for 34 years. In just his third season, Robinson led the Golden Gophers to a second-place finish at the Big Ten Championships, the best placing by the team in seven years. Two years later in 1991, current assistant head coach Marty Morgan earned the first national championship for a Golden Gopher since 1977.

The 1997 season marked the beginning of one of the most remarkable runs in the history of Minnesota athletics. Robinson's Gophers went 16-4-0 during the regular season and placed second at the Big Ten Championships. They went on to earn a third-place finish at nationals, the program's best showing in 56 years.

In 2000-01, Robinson led his squad to the Big Ten and NCAA Championships with an unprecedented 10 All-Americans under his wing. He followed that remarkable season with a perfect 19-0 campaign the following year. The 2001-02 Golden Gophers went 19-0 in dual meets and won the National Duals, Big Ten and NCAA Championships to establish Minnesota as one of the premier programs in the country.

In 2002-03, Robinson and his Golden Gophers claimed a runner-up finish at the NCAA Championships, marking the seventh straight year with a top-three placing at nationals. Minnesota also continued its dominance of the Big Ten with its third straight league title and fourth in five years. During that span, the Golden Gophers posted a 40-2 conference dual meet record.

In 2003-04, Damion Hahn secured his second-straight NCAA Championship, becoming the second wrestler under Robinson to win back-to-back NCAA crowns, joining Morgan.

Robinson's efforts have not gone unnoticed by his peers in the wrestling community. He was named the 1998 and 2001 Dan Gable Coach of the Year by W.I.N. Magazine and earned the National Wrestling Coaches Association Coach of the Year award in 2001. Robinson also has earned Big Ten Coach of the Year honors six times in his career, more than any other coach in the conference's history. At the 2002 National Duals in Columbus, Ohio, Robinson was awarded the 2001 Amateur Wrestling News Man of the
Year award for his work and support of wrestling at all levels.

Four times during Robinson’s tenure, the Golden Gophers have reached the summit at National Duals competitions, including last year’s crown. In 1998, Minnesota won the National Duals title over Iowa at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, becoming only the second team to defeat the Hawkeyes in their own building. In 2000-01, Minnesota defeated Hofstra, Nebraska, Iowa and Oklahoma State on their way to the team title in University Park, Pa., and in 2002, the Gophers dominated the competition in Columbus, Ohio, to win the school’s third National Duals crown.

In eight of the past ten years, Minnesota has finished the year ranked in the top three, including season-ending top national rankings in 2001 and 2002. Minnesota received its first No. 1 ranking in 1993-94 after the Golden Gophers defeated Iowa at Williams Arena and Oklahoma State in front of a sell-out crowd at the Sports Pavilion on its way to a runner-up Big Ten finish. The Gophers spent the entire second half of the 2005-06 season in the top spot before finishing second in the final national poll.

The basis for Robinson’s success comes from his ability to bring some of the greatest talent in the world to the University of Minnesota, and then cultivating that talent. In 1997, Robinson and his staff landed Garrett Lowney, considered to be the No. 1 recruit in the nation by many of the top programs. A native of Freedom, Wis., Lowney was a three-time Junior Freestyle National champion and the nation’s top-ranked wrestler. Since then, Minnesota has landed the nation’s top recruit four times in the last nine years, including current Gophers Roger Kish and Dustin Schlatter.

While landing the No. 1 recruit in the nation is an accomplishment, seven of Minnesota’s recruiting classes have earned the No. 1 ranking from Amateur Wrestling News in Robinson’s 20 years in Gold Country. In 1997, the Golden Gopher coaching staff inked the No. 1-ranked recruiting class in the nation and followed it with another top class in 1999.

In 2003, the Gophers welcomed the nation’s top recruiting class for the sixth time during Robinson’s tenure. The group included two of the top three recruits in the nation in Kish and C.P. University of Minnesota Wrestling 2006-07

ROBINSON AT A GLANCE

BORN: July 7, 1946 (San Diego, Calif.)

HIGH SCHOOL: Mount Miguel H.S. (Spring Valley, Calif.), 1964

COLLEGE: Oklahoma State (Stillwater, Okla.)
B.A. in social studies, 1969; Iowa (Iowa City, Iowa), graduate work

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE:
Olympic Games (Munich) 1972;
Two-time World Team member (1970-71)

COLLEGE ATHLETICS: Wrestling, (1966-67) at Oklahoma State

COLLEGE COACHING EXPERIENCE:
Oklahoma State, graduate assistant (1968-69)
iowa, graduate assistant (1972-76)
iowa, assistant (1976-83)
iowa, interim head coach (1984)
Minnesota, head coach (1985-present)

INTERNATIONAL COACHING EXPERIENCE:
U.S. Olympic Teams, assistant (1976, ’80, ’84, ’88)
Pan America Games, head coach (1983)
Pan America Games, assistant coach (1987)

HONORS/AWARDS:
National Wrestling Hall of Fame Induction, 2005
National Coach of the Year, 1998 (W.I.N.), 2001 (NWCA, W.I.N);
Amateur Wrestling News Man of the Year, 2001

MINNESOTA COACHING HIGHLIGHTS:
• Has coached 39 different wrestlers to 80 All-American certificates.
• Has coached eight Golden Gophers to 10 NCAA individual titles.
• Has coached 23 Golden Gophers to 35 Big Ten individual championships.
• Has guided Minnesota to eight top-three NCAA Championship finishes in the last 10 years, including seven straight from 1997-2003.
• Has produced five Big Ten team championships in the last eight years, including leading the team to three straight conference titles from 2001-03 for the first time in school history.
• Leads all Big Ten active coaches with 298 career dual meet victories.
• Led all 10 of Minnesota’s qualifiers to All-America honors at the 2001 NCAA Championships, a national record.
• Led Minnesota to school’s first back-to-back national team titles in 2001 and ‘02 since the Minnesota football team won two straight in 1940 and ’41.
• In 2001-02, led the Golden Gophers to their first undefeated record in school history.
• Has inked the top recruiting class in the nation seven times during his tenure.
• Originated the Border Brawl and Showdown dual meets with Iowa, creating a new form of collegiate wrestling entertainment.
Minnesota, Robinson served as an assistant state of New York. Northeast Duals to help promote wrestling in the time last year, Robinson took his program to the Greensboro, N.C., the past four years. For the first has competed in the fledgling Southern Scuffle in promote wrestling around the country. Minnesota to St. Paul.

Gopher-Hawkeye matchup attracted 12,180 fans Oklahoma State at Target Center. The Golden Energy Center in St. Paul, and a battle against with Iowa, including the season-opener at the Xcel meet. In 2003, Robinson expanded the concept to attendance record for a collegiate wrestling dual fans on Feb. 1, 2002. The meet set an NCAA Minnesota defeated Iowa, 22-15, in front of 15,646 Minneapolis proved to be a success as top-ranked wrestlers, coaches, fans and local celebrities, Minnesota and arch-rival Iowa that featured an in-exciting and entertaining dual meet event between

highlight videos, instant replays, pyrotechnics, and

wrestlers, coaches, fans and local celebrities, notably, Robinson introduced the Border Brawl, an

Minnesota has established groundbreaking events dedicated his life to. Under his guidance,

Minnesota, Robinson has also been a pioneer in unprecedented success at the University of

and Brandon Eggum. Robinson attributes the signing of top recruits each year to his coaching staff of Morgan, Joe Russell and Brandon Eggum.

In addition to his stellar coaching résumé and unprecedented success at the University of Minnesota, Robinson has also been a pioneer in the marketing and promotion of the sport he has dedicated his life to. Under his guidance, Minnesota has established groundbreaking events at the ‘U which have caught the eye of the Minnesota has also been involved in coaching on the national and international level. He served as an assistant coach on four consecutive U.S. Olympic squads – 1976, 1980, 1984 and 1988 – and was the head coach for the United States at the 1983 Pan American Games.

As a wrestler, Robinson competed on two World teams, placing fourth in 1970 and fifth in 1971. Robinson also represented the United States in the 1972 Olympic Games. He was also named to W.I.N. Magazine’s All-Olympic team of the century. Robinson captured four national titles during his amateur career, two in freestyle and two in Greco-Roman.

After graduating with a bachelor’s degree in social studies from Oklahoma State University in 1969, Robinson began his coaching career with the Cowboys as a graduate assistant before mov- ing on to serve as a captain in the U.S. Army from 1969-72. He served a tour with the first Cavalry Division in Vietnam during 1971-72. In 1973, Robinson joined Iowa’s staff as a graduate assistant and was promoted to assistant in 1976.

In the fall of 2000, J married Sue Rubens. J’s son, Jeb, and daughter, Jordan, both work and reside in the Twin Cities.

ROBINSON’S RECORD

Year Overall Rec. (Pts) Big Ten Rec. (Pts) NCAA Champs

'86-'87 7-14 (.333) 0-8 (.000) 1st (138) 4

'87-'88 15-6 (.714) 4-3 (.571) 6th (56.75) 1 19th (20) 1

'88-'89 15-8 (.652) 6-5 (.545) 2nd (113.75) 2 7th (45.75) 4

'89-'90 10-6 (.625) 2-3 (.400) 3rd (64.5) 3 10th (42.25) 2

'90-'91 11-4 (.733) 3-3 (.500) 7th (55.5) 1 8th (39) 1

'91-'92 8-14 (.364) 2-5 (0.286) 4th (75) 0 21st (14.5) 1

'92-'93 21-3-1 (.660) 6-2-1 (.722) 4th (80) 1 9th (36.5) 4

'93-'94 20-2-909) 9-1 (900) 2nd (104.25) 1 13th (29.25) 2

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MARTY MORGAN

head assistant coach • 15th season

A graduate of Bloomington Kennedy High School in Minnesota, Marty Morgan began his collegiate career at North Dakota State University where he won an NCAA Division II national championship as a true freshman. He then transferred to Minnesota and went on to become a three-time All-American, two-time NCAA finalist and the national champion at 177 pounds as a senior. In his junior season with the Golden Gophers, Morgan pinned 20 opponents to set a school record that still stands today. During his collegiate career, he pinned an average of more than one out of every three opponents he faced.

With a 39-0 record during his senior season, Morgan was the first wrestler in school history to finish with an unblemished record and is one of just three wrestlers in Minnesota history to accomplish that feat. He capped off his career with the Big Ten Medal of Honor for the student-athlete who demonstrates excellence in academics and athletics. He currently ranks 20th in career victories with a 110-12 career mark despite wrestling just three seasons for the Gophers.

Morgan continued to wrestle after college, winning two Greco-Roman national titles and placing twice in the National Freestyle. He participated on two World Championships teams and one World Cup team. Morgan finished third at the 1992 U.S. Olympic Trials and captured second at the 1996 Olympic Trials. He also placed twice in the National Freestyle Open.

The top assistant under head coach J Robinson for the last 12 seasons, Morgan begins his 15th year overall as an assistant coach for the Minnesota wrestling team.

Working with the program’s recruiting efforts, he has helped attract some of the nation’s top talent to the University of Minnesota. Over the last nine years, Minnesota has landed the nation’s top recruit four times, including current Gophers Roger Kish and Dustin Schlatter. In Morgan’s first year as head assistant and recruiting coordinator in 1996, the Golden Gophers landed the best recruiting class in the nation according to W.I.N. Magazine, and the second-ranked class according to Amateur Wrestling News. Two years later, Morgan accomplished the feat once again, landing the top recruiting class in the nation with six top recruits, including Garrett Lowney of Freedom, Wis., considered the best recruit in the nation according to top programs around the country. In 1999, Morgan and the Minnesota coaching staff again landed the No. 1 recruit in the nation in Damion Hahn of Lakewood, N.J.

In 2003, Minnesota unleashed the nation’s top recruiting class for the third time during Morgan’s tenure. The group featured two of the top three recruits in the nation in Kish and C.P. Schlatter. Morgan also helped secure Mack Reiter, the first blue-chip recruit out of the state of Iowa ever to sign with Minnesota.

Dustin Schlatter is the most recent No. 1 recruit Morgan helped lure to Minnesota. Last season, Schlatter became the first freshman in school history to win an individual national title.

Morgan said he enjoys recruiting because he understands the importance of it. “The biggest thing for me is that I believe in what I sell,” Morgan said. “Our team and our coaches are all committed and believe in our program. When recruits come to visit, they see that commitment and that is the easiest sell.”

Morgan’s philosophy is to try first to land the top Minnesota high school wrestlers before moving out of state. “I believe Minnesota high school wrestling is one of the best in the country and it keeps getting better,” he said.

After Minnesota’s stellar 1996-97 season and third-place national finish, Morgan was a finalist for the National Wrestling Coaches Association’s Assistant Coach of the Year. In 1999, he was named NWCA Assistant Coach of the Year. He followed the honor with another record-breaking season that included the National Duals Championship and a second-place finish at the NCAA Championships. In 1999, Morgan helped the Golden Gophers capture their first Big Ten title in 40 years and tie a school record second-place finish at NCAAs.

In the past eight seasons, Morgan has assisted the Maroon and Gold to five Big Ten team titles, including three straight from 2001-03, eight consecutive top-two conference finishes and a pair of NCAA titles.

Morgan comes from a family of 12 children, including two older brothers that have competed on Olympic teams. His brother John represented the U.S. in Seoul, South Korea in 1988 and his brother Gordy was on the 1996 Olympic Team in Atlanta, Ga.

The Morgan family has been very involved with Minnesota Wrestling. Several of Marty’s siblings attend U of M matches regularly and his parents, Jim and Olive, never miss a match. Marty and his wife, Tracy, reside in New Brighton, Minn., with their three children – Rowan, Marrin, and Quinlan. Marty and Tracy both received their education degrees from the University of Minnesota. Tracy completed her master’s of education degree through St. Mary’s, while Marty completed his master’s of education degree at Minnesota.

MORGAN AT A GLANCE

Born: March 6, 1968 (Bloomington, Minn.)
High School: Bloomington Kennedy (Bloomington, Minn.), 1986
College: North Dakota State (Fargo, N.D.); University of Minnesota (Minneapolis, Minn.), B.A. in Art Education, 1991, Master’s of Education, 2001
College Athletics: Wrestling, NCAA Div. II Champion at North Dakota State, three-time NCAA All-American and NCAA Champion at the University of Minnesota, 1991
International Experience:
• Two-time Greco-Roman National Champion (1995-96)
• Two-time member of World Championships team (1993-95)
• Third at U.S. Olympic Trials (1992)
• Second at U.S. Olympic Trials (1996)
• Fourth at U.S. Freestyle World Trials (1993)
College Coaching Experience:
University of Minnesota, assistant (1993-95)
University of Minnesota, head assistant (1996-present)
Entering his 10th season as an assistant coach with the Minnesota wrestling team, Joe Russell is in his 12th year overall as a member of the Golden Gopher staff. Prior to his current position, Russell served two years as the team’s marketing and promotions director. He also taught within the kinesiology department at the U of M as well as directed studies courses.

The Gopher wrestling team has reached new heights since Russell’s first season as an assistant coach in 1996-97. Minnesota has finished in the top-three at the NCAA Championships eight of the last ten years, more than any other school in the country. The Gophers have also finished in the top-two at the Big Ten Tournament nine out of the last 10 years, winning the title five times, including three straight championships from 2001-03.

In addition to his responsibilities with the Golden Gophers, Russell is also a coach with the Minnesota Storm Junior World and University teams. Under Russell’s tutelage, the Storm have won four FILA Junior National Team Championships in both freestyle and Greco-Roman since 1996, with their last freestyle title coming in 2004. He also led the Storm to a second-place finish at the 1997, ’98 and ’99 University National Championships.

An ambassador of the sport, Russell conducted a week-long clinic for enlisted personnel and their children at the U.S. Naval Base in Sasebo, Japan in 2005.

Russell’s coaching career has also featured a number of stints with the U.S. national teams. In the summer of 2000, he was selected to coach the U.S. Junior Team at the 2000 Pan American Championships in Peru. In 2001, he coached a team of USA All-Stars in the First Annual Utah Greco-Roman Challenge in Sandy, Utah.

A graduate of Gresham High School in Gresham, Ore., Russell was a two-time champion at the Junior Nationals as a junior in high school. He was an Espoir National Champion and placewinner at the Espoir World Championships. Russell claimed several youth national titles as well as two World School Boy Championships. He also won two state high school titles in Oregon, compiling a 90-1 overall record.

While in high school, Russell competed as part of an Oregon Cultural Exchange Team in Germany. He was the captain of the High School Dream Team as well as the honorary captain of Team USA vs. Pennsylvania at the Dapper Dan Classic.

Russell’s brother, Dan, was a four-time Oregon high school state champion, compiling a perfect 95-0 overall record. He was also a four-time NCAA Division II National Champion at Portland State, only the second wrestler to ever accomplish that feat. Dan Russell was a two-time World Cup Team member and a member of the national coaching staff.

Russell wrestled at Minnesota from 1988-92. He served as the 1991-92 team captain and was named to the All-Big Ten Academic team his senior season. He was also the winner of the team’s Fraser Dean Most Courageous Wrestler award. He also competed for Athletes in Action on a summer tour to Australia and New Zealand.

As a student-athlete at Minnesota, Russell was named an IBM Student-Athlete of the Week and made the Dean’s List in law school his last two years.

Russell earned his bachelor of arts degree in 1992 and completed his juris doctorate in the spring of 1995. He is a licensed attorney and will complete his master’s degree in sports management in December, 2006.

Russell and his wife, Sadie, currently reside in Vadnais Heights, Minn. She is a University of Minnesota graduate and currently works on campus with the Twin Cities Student Unions.
Brandon Eggum is in his seventh year as a member of the Golden Gopher staff. He is in his third year as an assistant coach after serving four years as the wrestling team’s strength and conditioning coordinator.

During Eggum’s tenure as strength and conditioning coordinator, Minnesota experienced unprecedented success. The Golden Gophers captured back-to-back NCAA Championships and three straight Big Ten Championships. He trained a total of four NCAA individual champions, 12 Big Ten champions and 26 All-Americans.

In Eggum’s first season in 2001, the Golden Gophers earned the program’s first national championship with an NCAA record 10 All-Americans. The team also captured the Big Ten Championship, as well as the National Duals Championship.

A year later, Minnesota capped off a perfect season with its second straight NCAA Championship and a Big Ten title. The Golden Gophers crowned a pair of individual national champions, seven All-Americans and five Big Ten champions on their way to an unbeaten 19-0 season which also included a National Duals team title.

Minnesota earned its third straight Big Ten title in 2003, led by a trio of individual champions. The Golden Gophers claimed second place at the NCAA Championships and Damion Hahn won the first of his back-to-back titles at 197 pounds.

In 2004, Eggum’s training helped propel Minnesota to a second-place finish at the Big Ten Championships with Hahn and Jacob Volkmann earning individual titles. The 2004 season also saw the emergence of redshirt freshman heavyweight Cole Konrad. He earned All-American status and the most wins (38) ever by a Golden Gopher heavyweight. Hahn capped off his record-breaking career, with Eggum on staff throughout, with his second NCAA Championship and fourth All-American citation.

In 1999, Eggum claimed his first Big Ten Championship at 184 pounds and turned his best performance at the NCAA Championships, finishing second to Iowa State’s Cael Sanderson. Eggum finished with a 34-2 overall record that year, including an 18-1 dual meet mark. His .944 winning percentage ranks tied for the 17th-best for a single season in school history.

In his senior season, Eggum earned his second straight Big Ten Championship, as well as a third-place finish at nationals. The three-time All-American posted a 33-5 overall record, including a 15-3 dual meet record. At NCAAs, Eggum rebounded from a semifinal loss to Sanderson to claim third place at 184 pounds. For his efforts, Eggum was awarded the 2000 Big Ten Medal of Honor.

For his career, Eggum ranks tied for 15th in school history in wins with a 115-23-0 overall record, while his .833 winning percentage ranks tied for 14th. Eggum is tied for ninth place all-time with a stellar 61-11 dual meet record.

Competing internationally also brought acclaim to Eggum as he took home the silver medal at the 2001 World Freestyle Championships. He placed second at the 2002 Pan American Freestyle Championships and third at the 2003 U.S. National Freestyle Championships.

Eggum has also spent a number of years working with local wrestling clubs, most notably, the Hi-Flyers. He coached the Hi-Flyers, one of the top youth clubs in Minnesota, to nine straight team state titles. He is also currently in charge of the Minnesota Storm Junior Fila/University teams.

A standout in the classroom, Eggum was a four-time Academic All-Big Ten selection during his collegiate days. A native of Sydney, Mont., he graduated from Minnesota in May of 2000 with a degree in applied economics.

In 2001, Eggum was a three-time All-American and four-year letterwinner for the Golden Gophers from 1997 to 2000. As a sophomore, Eggum earned his first All-American citation with a fifth-place finish at 177 pounds at the 1998 NCAA Championships.

EGGUM AT A GLANCE

Born: April 8, 1976 (Sidney, Mont.)
High School: Sidney High School (Sidney, Mont.), 1995
College: University of Minnesota (Minneapolis, Minn.), B.S. in applied economics, 2000
College Athletics: Wrestling, three-time All-American, two-time Big Ten Champion, four-time Academic All-Big Ten
International Experience: Junior National champion, Espoir National Champion, 2001 World Freestyle Championships silver medalist
Former Golden Gopher Luke Becker enters his fourth year as a member of the Golden Gopher wrestling staff and second as marketing coordinator.

One of just four Golden Gopher wrestlers to be a four-time All-American, Becker won the 2002 NCAA Championship at 157 pounds. He finished his career ranked eighth in school history with a 125-29-0 career record and 10th with 25 career pins. He currently ranks ninth and 11th in those categories. Becker was also a two-time individual Big Ten Champion and was part of a class that claimed three Big Ten Championships, two NCAA Championships and a 72-8 dual meet record.

Becker graduated in May of 2003 with a B.A. in an intercollege program consisting of English, psychology and youth studies.

Former Golden Gopher Chad Erikson enters his third year as a member of the Golden Gopher wrestling staff as an administrative assistant. Erikson was a two-time All-American and a four-year letterwinner for Minnesota from 1999-2002. Erikson earned two runner-up finishes at the Big Ten Championships and finished his collegiate career with a 105-37 record, including a 40-17 mark in dual meets. Erikson's 40 pins ranks fourth on the school's all-time list. His six straight falls from Nov. 11-24, 2000 is the second-longest streak in school history.

Erikson graduated in 2002 with a B.S. in education and psychology. He is currently employed as a realtor at Counselor Realty.

Former Golden Gopher Harry Volkmann begins his third year as a member of the Golden Gopher wrestling development staff. Volkmann was a three-time All-American for the Golden Gophers from 2001-04. He currently ranks tied for seventh in school history with 127 career wins 34 pins. Volkmann is one of just four wrestlers in school history to have three top-four finishes at the NCAA Championships.

Volkmann graduated with a double major in geology and geophysics. He is currently enrolled at Northwestern Health Sciences University to pursue a career as a chiropractor.

He is married to former Golden Gopher distance runner Christine Harper. This fall, Jacob and Christine welcomed a new member to their family, daughter Sophia.

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Former Golden Gopher Jared Lawrence enters his fourth year as a member of the Golden Gopher wrestling staff and his first as the strength coach.

One of just four Golden Gopher wrestlers to be a four-time All-American, Lawrence won the 2002 NCAA Championship at 149 pounds. He ranks sixth in school history with a 130-23-0 career record and eighth with 33 career pins. Lawrence was also a two-time Big Ten Champion and recipient of the 2003 Big Ten Medal of Honor, given annually to one male and female senior student-athlete of each university who demonstrated proficiency in scholarship and athletics. He was part of a class that claimed three Big Ten Championships, two NCAA Championships and a compiled a 72-8 dual meet record.

Lawrence graduated in May of 2003 with a B.A. in business and marketing education and rhetoric.
Cindy Pavlowski, who is in her 10th year as an Academic Counselor at Minnesota, coordinates the academic efforts of the Golden Gopher wrestling team. Her primary role is advising student-athletes on course choices and degree planning.

Pavlowski, a native of Green Bay, Wis., has been a member of the Golden Gopher community for 25 years after coming to the “U” as a student. Prior to her duties with athletics, Pavlowski worked in the Advanced High School Student Services office on the Twin Cities campus from 1992-96 as an advisor.

Pavlowski started working on the U of M campus in 1985 at the General College where her responsibilities included orientation, registration and advising. Pavlowski graduated in 1983 from the U with a degree in family social sciences with an emphasis in youth studies. She earned her master’s degree in 1996 in organizational development and environmental studies.

John Peterson has spent 11 years working with the Golden Gopher wrestling team. He meets weekly for voluntary Bible study and encouragement with many of the wrestlers.

Peterson has been on staff with Athletes in Action since 1973. He spent 10 years working with athletes in Eastern Europe. Peterson travels several times a year on ministry trips to Russia and Mongolia. As a member of the U.S. Wrestling Coaches pool, he has coached the U.S. team in Krasnoyarsk, Russia seven times in the last ten years.

Peterson graduated from Wisconsin-Stout in 1971 with a degree in Industrial Technology Education. He was a teammate of J Robinson on the 1972 Olympic team where he won a silver medal and was an Olympic Champion in 1976. He lives in Comstock, Wis., with his wife, Nancy. They have five children and two grandchildren.

Tom Lamphere begins his 11th year working with the Golden Gopher wrestling team. Lamphere coordinates voluntary chapels prior to meets. He meets weekly for Bible study with many of the wrestlers and also works with the football and baseball programs.

Lamphere is on staff with Athletes in Action, working at the University, as the Chaplain for the Minnesota Vikings, and he leads an NFL Coaches ministry along with Tony Dungy. He is also active in bringing professional and collegiate athletes to conduct sports clinics at local high schools.

Lamphere grew up in New Hope, Minn., and wrestled at the U before competing internationally for Athletes in Action. He graduated with majors in History and Physical Education.

Lamphere currently resides in Prior Lake, Minn., with his wife, Jeannie. Tom and Jeannie have five children.

Rich Schlotfeldt enters his fifth season working with the Golden Gopher wrestling team as the athletic trainer. Prior to coming to Minnesota, Schlotfeldt was the Head Athletic Trainer at Kenyon College in Gambier Ohio.

Schlotfeldt graduated from the University of Iowa in 1993 and received his Master’s degree from the University of Oregon in 1995.

He currently resides in Andover, Minn., with his wife, Jennifer. The couple has three children: Connor, Eryn, Samuel.
Robert H. Bruininks was appointed the 15th president of the University of Minnesota on November 8, 2002. He has served the University for nearly 39 years, formerly as professor, dean, and executive vice president and provost.

Positioning for the future
For the past two years, Bruininks has overseen a major strategic positioning effort at the University that has set high aspirations for the University’s academic profile, its service to students and the community, and its use of resources.

“The University is undertaking significant reforms in the context of an increasingly competitive global market for talent and ideas,” Bruininks said. “Our work is to improve lives through the advancement of knowledge. And our goal is clear-cut: to become one of the top three public research universities in the world.”

Thanks to the intensive efforts of hundreds of people who served on strategic positioning task forces, the University is already seeing progress in a number of key areas:

• Adopting an undergraduate writing initiative that will give all students a stronger voice in the world.
• Enhancing academic advising throughout the University to help students achieve their ultimate goals.
• Planning for an Institute on the Environment to help solve the planet’s most critical problems.
• Creating three new combined colleges with world-class potential—the College of Design; the College of Education and Human Development; and the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Sciences—out of six former colleges.

Student Experience and Affordability
Innovations in the University’s student experience, such as new on-campus learning communities, and expanded undergraduate research and study abroad opportunities, have helped fuel high student satisfaction rates, increased numbers of applicants for admissions and enrollment, and significantly improved graduation rates. With more than 51,000 enrolled students, the University of Minnesota Twin Cities was the second largest campus in the nation in 2005-06.

Affordability for students here and at the University’s three coordinate campuses remains a primary concern for the Bruininks administration, which kept undergraduate tuition increases for 2006-07 at the lowest rate in many years. This year an expanded program, the Founders Opportunity Award, is covering the full cost of tuition and required fees for many low- and moderate-income students. Once fully implemented, the award is expected to benefit 4,500 undergraduates across the University. (To qualify, new students must be Minnesota residents who meet the eligibility for federal Pell grants.)

Bruininks has also made student scholarships his top fundraising priority. Already, 1,500 students are benefiting from a scholarship drive begun in 2004 that is close to reaching an initial goal of $150 million in gift pledges.

Bringing Football Back to Campus:
On May 24, 2006, beneath the preserved arch of Memorial Stadium in the McNamara Alumni Center, a bipartisan group of legislative leaders and Governor Tim Pawlenty gathered for a lively bill signing that authorized funding for a new on-campus Gopher football stadium. For President Bruininks, the University community, and Gopher football fans, it was the joyful culmination of more than three years of fundraising effort.

The new $248 million stadium, to be called TCF Bank Stadium, will be built across from Mariucci Arena on what are now surface parking lots. It is expected to be ready for kickoff in the fall of 2009. The Gopher stadium bill calls for the state to pay $10.25 million per year for 25 years—approximately 55 percent of the total stadium cost—with the University covering the rest of the cost through private funds and a modest student fee.

“Big Ten college football has a proud history and we now have a chance to renew the best of its traditions at the University of Minnesota,” Bruininks said. “It has the power to connect our alumni and fans to our students and to our campus, and it will also provide a home for our great marching band and all-campus events such as convocation and graduation.”

About President Bruininks
Bruininks’s career has centered on child and adolescent development and policy research, and strategic improvement in the fields of pre-kindergarten to grade 12 and higher education. Initially joining the University’s faculty as an assistant professor of educational psychology, he has authored or coauthored nearly 90 journal articles and more than 70 book chapters, as well as training materials and several nationally standardized tests.

During his tenure at the University, Bruininks was instrumental in founding the National Center on Educational Outcomes, the Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Community Living, and the Institute on Community Integration. He has been honored with numerous awards, including the Kellogg Foundation National Leadership Fellowship. He is president emeritus of the American Association on Mental Retardation and has been elected a Fellow of the American Psychological Association and the American Psychological Society. Nationally, he serves on the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board and on the board of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges; in Minnesota he serves as a member of the Itasca group and the Minnesota Business Partnership.

Named Minnesotan of the Year by Minnesota Monthly in 2004, Bruininks regularly speaks on behalf of the University of Minnesota in its important role as the state’s major research university. After shepherding the University through a nearly 15 percent cut in state funding in 2003, he has helped renew the partnership between the state and the University. In 2005 and 2006, with Bruininks as its chief advocate, the University secured increased state funding for key academic priorities and capital projects.

In November 2005, Bruininks led a group of Minnesota educators to China as part of the governor’s trade delegation. In May 2006, he headed a delegation of University leaders to Norway to renew student exchange agreements and deepen research ties with that country’s leading universities.

Bruininks and his wife, Dr. Susan Hagstrom, have three grown sons—two of whom played sports at the Division I level—and two grandsons.
Athletics Administration

JOEL MATURI
Athletics Director

Entering his fifth year as Director of Athletics at the University of Minnesota, Joel Maturi has transformed the Golden Gophers into a model NCAA Division I-A athletic department. A native of Chisholm, Minnesota, Maturi has worked closely with his predecessor and former mentor, University of Wisconsin-Madison Athletic Director Barry Alvarez, to lead the university to unprecedented success on the field and in the classroom.

Under Maturi’s leadership, the Golden Gophers have experienced remarkable improvements in facilities, coaching staffs, student-athlete academic achievement, and overall success. Maturi has brought new life to the Golden Gophers athletic department through his strategic planning and execution of initiatives aimed at enhancing the overall student-athlete experience.

Maturi’s impact on the Golden Gophers athletic department is evident in the growth of the student-athlete population from over 4,000 participants in 2006 to over 5,000 in 2016. He has also been instrumental in the development of numerous academic programs and initiatives aimed at enhancing the educational experience of student-athletes.

In addition to his work at the University of Minnesota, Maturi is also a member of the NCAA Division I Men’s Ice Hockey Executive Committee and serves on the NCAA Division I Men’s Basketball Committee. He is also a member of the NCAA’s Associate Athletic Directors’ Committee.

Maturi has been recognized for his work with numerous awards and distinctions, including the National Association of State Directors of Athletics (NASDA) Athletic Director of the Year Award in 2014. He has also been named a “2015 Top 100 Athletic Director” by Sports Illustrated.

Maturi earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration from Indiana University in 1982. He later earned a master’s degree in educational administration from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville in 1985.

ATHLETICS ADMINISTRATION

REGINA SULLIVAN  Director of Athletics
ELIZABETH ELLIOTT  Associate Athletics Director
SCOTT ELLIOTT  Associate Athletics Director
MIKE HALLORAN  Associate Athletics Director

LEO LEWIS  Associate Athletics Director
MARC RYAN  Associate Athletics Director
TOM WISTROLL  Associate Athletics Director
PHIL ESTEN  Assistant Athletics Director

FRANK KARA  Director of Compliance
MARK NELSON  Director of Academic Counseling & Student Services
LINDA BRADY  Faculty Athletics Representative
RICHARD WEINBERG  Faculty Athletics Representative

The Golden Gophers have won numerous championships and accolades under Maturi’s leadership, including the 2002 NCAA Men’s Basketball Championship, the 2002 NCAA Men’s Cross Country Championship, and the 2003 NCAA Men’s Ice Hockey Championship. Maturi has been instrumental in the development of numerous academic programs and initiatives aimed at enhancing the educational experience of student-athletes.

Maturi and his wife, Lois, have three grown children, Mark, Katie, and Anne.
Defending national champion Cole Konrad is destined to go down as one of the greatest wrestlers in Minnesota history. Entering his senior season, Konrad already ranks among the school’s all-time leaders in career wins, pins and win percentage. Also the reigning two-time Big Ten Champion at heavyweight, Konrad is on pace to challenge Ed Giese’s school record 159 career victories, a record that has stood for over 20 years. He enters the 2006-07 season needing only 18 wins to open the year to break Tim Hartung’s school record of 58 consecutive victories.

With a perfect 41-0 record last year, Konrad completed the best season in school history, becoming just the third Golden Gopher to finish a season with an undefeated record. His 82 wins over the last two seasons are the most since Dan Zilverberg had 88 from 1978-80.

Konrad’s 2005-06 season was highlighted by four victories over two-time NCAA Champion Steve Mocco of Oklahoma State. After defeating Mocco in an exhibition match at the NWCA All-Star Marines Classic, Konrad earned his first official victory over the OSU wrestler with a pin in 5:26 to give Minnesota a 21-14 upset over the Cowboys in the National Duals final. The win ended a streak of 85 consecutive matches without a loss for Mocco, while the Gophers snapped OSU’s 30-match winning streak.

Later in the year, Konrad clinched the Golden Gophers’ 19-16 upset of the top-ranked Cowboys with a 3-1 overtime decision over Mocco in a dual match in Oklahoma City.

Konrad capped his perfect season with a victory over Mocco in the national championship match. Nearly a year to the day when Mocco defeated him in overtime for the 2005 national title, Konrad turned the tables with a 5-2 victory over Mocco at the 2006 NCAA Championships.

As a sophomore, Konrad won his first Big Ten Championship and finished as the runner-up at the 2005 NCAA Championships to earn his second All-America citation. His 41 victories were the most ever by a Minnesota heavyweight and the fourth-highest win total in school history.

Konrad earned his first All-America honor in his first year as a starter in 2003-04. He finished his redshirt freshman season with a 38-10 overall record and finished fourth at the NCAA Championships.

A native of Freedom, Wis., Konrad came to Minnesota a bit under the radar but had the desire to carry on the tradition of great Gopher heavyweights. Following a career which has already seen him win a national title, capture two Big Ten championships and three times • won his second straight Big Ten title with a 6-1 overtime decision over Greg Wagner of Michigan (2/17) • pinned his first four opponents to start the year, three of them in under a minute • won titles at the Bison and Auggie Opens (11/12-19) • earned his third letter.

KONRAD AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

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KONRAD’S CAREER STATISTICS

- Overall Record: 41-0
- Dual Meet Record: 21-0
- Big Ten Record: 9-0
- Pins: 16
- Major Decisions: 8
- Technical Falls: 2

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2004-05 • SOPHOMORE SEASON:

- Overall Record: 41-3
- Dual Meet Record: 16-2
- Big Ten Record: 8-0
- Pins: 10

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2005-06 • JUNIOR SEASON:

- Overall Record: 41-0
- Dual Meet Record: 21-0
- Big Ten Record: 9-0
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2006-07 • SENIOR SEASON:

- Overall Record: 41-0
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- Big Ten Record: 9-0
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2004-05 • SOPHOMORE SEASON:

- Overall Record: 41-3
- Dual Meet Record: 16-2
- Big Ten Record: 8-0
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KONRAD BY THE NUMBERS

- Career Record: 120-13
- Dual Meet Record: 50-7
- Big Ten Record: 22-2
- Pins For / Against: 37 / 0
- Majors For / Against: 17 / 0
- Technical Falls For / Against: 3 / 0
- Team Points For / Against: 213 / 21
- Shuttouts For / Against: 4 / 1
- Matches Decided by 2 pts or less: 26-9
- In Overtime: 9-4
- Consecutive Victories: 31 (11/12/05-present)
- Consecutive Pins: 4 (twice, last 12/29-30/05)
- Quickest Pin: 0:32 vs. Danny Ledes (JC) (11/12/05)
- Most Points: 61 vs. Eric Mustoe (Port. St. (14/04)

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Notes: Contributed 65 team points during the dual meet season • his 29-match win streak (12/12/04-3/15/05) ranked as the sixth-longest in school history • named the team’s Most Outstanding Wrestler • placed second at the NCAA Championships with a 4-1 record • lost 3-1 in the sudden victory period to top-ranked Steve Mocco of Oklahoma State in the finals • won his first Big Ten title with a 4-1 overtime win against third-seeded Pat DeGain of Indiana • finished 4-0 with three pins to claim the title at the Bison Open (11/13) • also claimed the title at the Mat Town USA Invite (11/29) • selected to participate in the NWCA All-Star Mariner Classic, where he dropped a 3-1 overtime decision to Mocco • went 5-0 at the National Duals • earned his second letter.

2003-04 • FRESHMAN SEASON:

Overall Record: ....................................................... 38-10
Dual Meet Record: .................................................... 13-5
Big Ten Record: ....................................................... 6-2
Pins:............................................................................. 11
Major Decisions: ......................................................... 4
Technical Falls: ........................................................... 1

Notes: Led the team with 55 points in dual meets • placed fourth at nationals with a 4-2 record • placed third at the Big Ten Championships with a 4-1 record • all five of his dual meet losses came against ranked opponents • won the title at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15) • finished second at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/22) • took third at the Las Vegas Invitational (12/5) • placed first at the South Regional • placed fourth at nationals with a 4-2 record • placed third at the Las Vegas Invitational (12/5) • captured both the freestyle and Greco-Roman titles at 120 kg at the 2003 FILA Junior National Championships.

HIGH SCHOOL: 2002 Wisconsin state high school champion • captured both the freestyle and Greco-Roman titles at the 2002 Junior National Championships • took fifth place in Greco-Roman at the 2002 Junior World Team Trials • placed fifth in Greco-Roman at 120 kg at the U.S. Olympic Team Trials in Indianapolis • earned his first letter.

2002-03: Redshirted • claimed the heavyweight title at the Kaufman-Brand Open • claimed third place at the Bison Open • captured both the freestyle and Greco-Roman titles at 120 kg at the 2003 FILA Junior National Championships.

PERSONAL: Business and marketing education major • attended the same high school as 2001 Big Ten heavyweight champion and 2000 U.S. Olympic bronze medalist Garret Lowney • son of Mark and Karen Konrad • born April 2, 1984.

KONRAD IN THE RECORD BOOKS

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Gabriel Dretsch
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Frazee, Minn.
Frazee-Vergas High School

A two-time NCAA qualifier, Gabriel Dretsch has made significant strides each year he has been with the Golden Gopher wrestling program and enters this season looking to build on a solid performance from a year ago. Dretsch finished the 2005-06 season with a 28-16 overall record and tied for third on the team with seven major decisions.

Dretsch turned heads with his performance at last year’s Big Ten Championships, earning a fourth place finish with a 3-2 record. After entering the tournament as the No. 8 seed, Dretsch fell to top-seed and eventual NCAA runner-up Jake Herbert of Northwestern in the first round, but he rattled off three straight victories after that to advance to the third-place match.

For the second time in his career, Dretsch advanced to the NCAA Championships. After a tough 3-2 loss in the first round, he rebounded to defeat Blake Maurer of Ohio State before being eliminated in the next round.

Dretsch’s first NCAA Tournament appearance came in his redshirt freshman season in 2004-05. He clinched a trip to NCAA’s with a thrilling 5-4 double overtime victory over James Yonushonis of Penn State at the Big Ten Championships and went on to win his debut at the NCAA meet with a 7-3 victory over Joe Lowe of UNC-Greensboro.

Dretsch came to Minnesota after leading Frazee-Vergas High School to two state titles, a runner-up finish and a pair of third-place finishes. He finished his high school career with an individual state title and earned all-state honors three times. Dretsch also earned All-America recognition twice during his high school career.

2005-06 - SOPHOMORE SEASON:
Overall Record: 28-16
Big Ten Record: 11-10
Pins: 3
Technical Decisions: 3

Notes: Tied for third on the team with seven major decisions, had an 8-9 record against ranked opponents, placed fourth at the Big Ten Championships with a 3-2 record, claimed first at the Bison Open with a 4-0 record (11/12), placed third at the Southern Scuffle (12/30), had a career-long 10 match win streak from 11/26 to 12/30, earned his second letter.

2004-05 - FRESHMAN SEASON:
Overall Record: 23-13
Dual Meet Record: 3-4
Big Ten Record: 3-3
Pins: 3
Major Decisions: 4
Technical Falls: 1

Notes: Finished 1-2 at the NCAA Championships, clinched a trip to NCAA’s with a thrilling 5-4 double overtime decision against James Yonushonis of Penn State at the Big Ten Championships (3/6), began career by winning the title at the Bison Open (11/13), won eight of his first nine matches, made his dual meet debut with a 19-8 major decision against Arizona State’s Ron Renzi (12/7), finished second with a 4-1 record at the Southern Scuffle (12/30), returned from an injury to win three of his first four Big Ten dual matches, earned his first letter.

DRETSCH AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS
2005: Seventh Seed; 1-2; Seventh Place
Quarterfinals: No. 2 Jake Herbert (NU) ........................................... L, 17-9
Consolation: No. 6 Kelly Fiahterty (UW) ....................................... L, 3-0
Seventh Place: No. 8 James Yonushonis (PSU) .......................... W, 5-4 2OT

2006: Eighth Seed; 3-2; Fourth Place
Quarterfinals: No. 1 Jake Herbert (NU) ........................................... L, 5-3
Consolation: No. 6 Kelly Fiahterty (UW) ....................................... W, 10-4
Consolation: No. 5 Blake Maurer (OSU) ....................................... W, 8-6
Consolation: No. 6 Donny Reynolds (ILL) ....................................... W, 4-3
Third Place: No. 3 R.J. Boudro (MSU) ......................................... L, 3-1

2003-04: Redshirted; claimed third place with a 4-1 record at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15), captured first place with a 5-0 record at the Kaufman Brand Open (11/22), went 3-0 at 174 pounds at the Flash Flanagan Open.

HIGH SCHOOL: Graduate of Frazee-Vergas High School, high school coach was Clay Nagel • won the Minnesota state title • four-time all-conference, three-time all-state and two-time All-America selection • helped lead his team to two state championships, a runner-up finish and a pair of third-place finishes • finished fourth at the 2003 NHSCA Senior Nationals • was a Cadet All-American in Greco-Roman.

PERSONAL: Majoring in fisheries and wildlife management • lists hunting and fishing as hobbies • son of Mike and Gayle Dretsch • born August 2, 1984.
Roger Kish is a legitimate national title contender at 184 pounds after finishing second at the 2006 NCAA Championships. A two-time NCAA qualifier, Kish emerged as one of the top wrestlers on the Golden Gopher roster last season with a breakout performance in which he won 19 of his last 21 matches. Kish claimed his first conference title with a 3-1 decision over defending Big Ten Champion Pete Friedl of Illinois, a win which also clinched the Big Ten team title for the Gophers.

Kish then put together a remarkable run at the NCAA Tournament that resulted in a runner-up finish. Kish won his first four matches before falling to Shane Webster of Oregon to capture his first All-America honor. As a redshirt freshman, Kish faced adversity in 2004-05. Cruising along with a 23-6 record, he was sidelined for over a month during the Big Ten regular season with an injury. He returned in time to compete at the 2005 Big Ten Championships, but the effects of the long layoff were evident in a sixth-place finish. Kish also got his first taste of the NCAA Championships and went 3-2 to finish just one win shy of All-America status.

The nation’s top recruit in 2003, the LaPeer, Mich., native was a four-time Michigan state champion and four-time All-American in high school. He holds the state record for consecutive victories (252) and the national record for consecutive victories (223).

2005-06 • SOPHOMORE SEASON:
Overall Record: 37-5
Dual Meet Record: 17-4
Big Ten Record: 7-1
Pins: 9 / 1
Major Decisions: 8
Technical Falls: 1

Notes: Kish was 23-6 overall with a 7-3 dual meet record before being sidelined for nearly a month with a skin infection • returned to place sixth at Big Tens and finish one win shy of All-America status with a 3-2 record at the NCAA Championships • began career with 11 straight wins • won titles at the Bison Open (11/13) and Kaufman-Brand Open (11/20) • finished second at the Mat Town USA Invite • went 5-0 to win the title at the Southern Scuffle • went 4-1 at the National Duals • earned his first letter.

2006 Big Ten Champion • Two-Time NCAA Qualifier

Pigtails: Alex Picazo (OSU) • W, 13-5
Quarterfinals: No. 3 Brady Reinke (UW) • W, 9-3
Semifinals: No. 2 Ben Wissel (PUR) • W, 9-7
Finals: No. 4 Pete Friedl (ILL) • W, 9-5

2005: Sixth Seed; 2-3; Sixth Place
Quarterfinals: No. 5 Paul Bradley (IA) • L, 7-5
Semifinals: No. 2 Eric Bradley (PSU) • W, 4-1
Finals: No. 4 Ben Wissel (PUR) • W, 4-1

KISH’S CAREER STATISTICS
Year: Overall (pins) Dual Ten Tens (place) NCAs (place)
2003-04: redshirted
2004-05: 23-5 (10) 7-5 0-2 2-3 (6th) 3-2
2005-06: 37-5 (4) 17-4 7-1 3-0 (13) 4-1 (2nd)
Career: 65-16 (9) 24-9 7-3 5-3 7-3

KISH AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS
2006: Third Seed; 3-6; First Place
Quarterfinals: No. 6 Mike Tamislow (NU) • W, 9-3
Semifinals: No. 2 Ben Wissel (PUR) • W, 9-7
Finals: No. 4 Pete Friedl (ILL) • W, 9-5

2005: Sixth Seed; 2-3; Sixth Place
Quarterfinals: No. 3 Brady Reinke (UW) • W, 9-4
Semifinals: No. 2 Eric Bradley (PSU) • L, 3-2
Consolation: No. 5 Paul Bradley (IA) • L, 5-1
Final Place: No. 4 Ben Wissel (PUR) • L, 4-3

KISH AT THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS
2006: 2nd Seed; 4-1; Second Place
First Round: Jeremy Colbert (N.C. State) • W, P 2:00
Second Round: Ryan Halsey (Cal Poly) • W, 7-2
Quarterfinals: No. 10 C.B. Dolloway (Arizona State) • W, 7-4
Semifinals: No. 6 Pete Friedl (Illinois) • W, 3-2
Finals: No. 5 Shane Webster (Oregon) • L, 2-3

2005: 10th Seed; 3-2
First Round: Ron Howard (Cleveland State) • W, 23-7
Second Round: No. 7 Tyler Baier (Cornell) • L, 4-2
Consolation: T.J. Morrison (Rider) • W, 10-7
Consolation: Frank Comely (Duke) • W, 7-2
Consolation: Matt Pell (Missouri) • L, 10-7

2006 NCAA Runner-Up • All-American • Two-Time NCAA Qualifier • 2006 Big Ten Champion

University of Minnesota Wrestling 2006-07
MACK REITER

133
Junior
Gilbertville, Iowa
Don Bosco High School

Two-Time All-American • 2006 Big Ten Runner-Up • 2005 Big Ten Freshman of the Year

One of the top wrestlers on the team, Mack Reiter finished fourth at last year's NCAA Championships to earn his second All-America distinction in as many years. He finished the 2005-06 season with a 32-6 overall record and was the only 133-pounder in the Big Ten to go undefeated as he finished with a 6-0 mark in conference duals. Reiter narrowly missed out on his second straight Big Ten title after a tough 6-4 loss to Tom Clum of Wisconsin in the sudden victory period.

Reiter was dealt a significant blow early in pre-season practice when he went down with an injury, but he still hopes to return in time to help the Gophers compete for the Big Ten and NCAA titles.

In 2004-05, Reiter turned in one of the best freshman seasons in school history, finishing the year with a 40-7 overall record, the fifth-highest win total in school history at the time. He became the third Golden Gopher to earn Big Ten Freshman of the Year honors and also was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler at the 2005 Big Ten Championships after winning the 133-pound title with a pin of Mark Jayne of Illinois in the finals.

He went on to win his first three matches at the NCAA Championships en route to a fourth-place finish and his first All-America distinction.

A native of Gilbertville, Iowa, Reiter was the first blue-chip recruit from the neighboring state to sign with the Golden Gophers after finishing his high school career as a four-time state champion.

2005-06 • SOPHOMORE SEASON:
Overall Record: 32-6
Big Ten Record: 6-0
Pins: 9
Major Decisions: 7
Technical Falls: 1

Notes: The lone 133-pounder in the Big Ten to go undefeated at 6-0 • had a 65-6 advantage in dual meet points • was 12-5 against ranked opponents • finished runner-up at the Big Ten Championships after falling in triple overtime to Tom Clum of Wisconsin in the finals (3/5) • missed duals against Wisconsin and Indiana (2/5-5) with a skin infection • began the year with a career-high 15-match winning streak • started the season with three straight pins en route to the finals of the Southern Scuffle (12/30) • earned his second letter.

2004-05 • FRESHMAN SEASON:
Overall Record: 40-7
Dual Meet Record: 16-2
Big Ten Record: 6-2
Pins: 15
Major Decisions: 5
Technical Falls: 2

Notes: Became a first-time All-American after a fourth-place finish at nationals • Big Ten Freshman of the Year • was only the third Golden Gopher to earn the award, joining Keith Nix (1988) and Jared Lawrence (2000) • named the Most Outstanding Wrestler at the Big Ten Championships • his 40 wins ranked as the fifth-highest total in school history • contributed a team-best 22.5 percent of the team’s dual meet points (75/334) • led the Golden Gophers with 15 pins, the second-highest freshman total in school history • his 15 pins ranked sixth overall in school history • recorded three straight pins three separate times • first conference freshman to win a Big Ten title since 2001 • began the year by winning titles at the Bison Open (11/13) and the Mat Town USA Invite • won a then-career-best 12 straight matches (1/4-2/11) • named team’s Most Outstanding Freshman and Most Exciting Wrestler • earned his first letter.

2003-04: Redshirted • claimed third place with a 4-1 record at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15) • rolled to first place at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/22) with a 6-0 record • had three pins, a major decision and a technical fall en route to the title • also claimed first place with a 3-0 record at the Flash Flanagan Open (1/3) • won the FILA Junior National Championship in Greco-Roman at 60kg and finished third in freestyle • one of three Golden Gophers on the seven-member 20-year-old and under U.S. National Team • was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler at the Junior Pan-American Championships in Maracaibo, Venezuela • won the freestyle competition with five straight wins • took second place in Greco-Roman.

HIGH SCHOOL: First blue-chip recruit from the state of Iowa to wrestle for the Golden Gophers • a graduate of Don Bosco High School • head coach was Tom Kettman • four-time Iowa state champion • Junior National Freestyle All-American • four-time all-conference selection.

PERSONAL: Business and marketing education major • son of Doug and Janet Reiter • born August 22, 1984.
After a breakout season in 2005-06, C.P. Schlatter is in the mix to compete for the 157-pound national title this season.

After spending the first half of his freshman season competing at 149 pounds, Schlatter has thrived since being given the opportunity to wrestle at his ideal weight. He climbed to as high as second in the national rankings after winning the Big Ten title last year. After entering the conference tournament as the No. 3 seed, Schlatter shut out his first two opponents before defeating top-seeded Alex Tirapelle of Illinois in the finals. He went on to compete at the 2006 NCAA Championships for the second year in a row. Schlatter’s career did not get off to an ideal start. After redshirting his first year with the program, he suffered an off-season knee injury that forced him to miss the first half of the 2004-05 season. He returned to the lineup in late December and compiled a 17-11 overall record down the stretch and finished one win shy of All-America status at the 2005 NCAA Championships.

In addition to his success on the mat, Schlatter is a two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection and was an NWCA Academic All-American in 2005. The third-ranked recruit in the nation in 2003, Schlatter finished his high school career with a 165-1 record, the best in Ohio state history. He was the recipient of the prestigious Dave Schultz High School Excellence Award as the top prep wrestler in the nation.

2005-06 • SOPHOMORE SEASON:

Overall Record: ........................................... 36-7
Dual Meet Record: ........................................... 19-2
Big Ten Record: ........................................... 7-1
Pins: .............................................................. 1
Major Decisions: ............................................. 5
Technical Fails: ................................................ 4

Notes: Outscored opponents 62-6 during the dual meet season • was 14-5 against ranked opponents • Big Ten champion • finished first with a 4-0 record at the Bison Open (11/12) • placed fourth at the Kaufman-Brand Open with a 5-2 record (11/19) • won a career-best 11 straight matches (11/26-12/30) • named the Big Ten Wrestler of the Week (12/14) • finished second at the Southern Scuffle with two pins and two major decisions and finished second • earned first career win at 157 pounds with a 12-8 decision against Northwestern’s Mike Kimberlin (2/4) • named the team’s Fraser Dean Most Courageous Team • won the gold medal in Greco-Roman at 74 kg at the seven-member 20-year old and under U.S. National Team • won the gold medal in Greco-Roman at 74 kg at the Junior Pan-Am Championships in Maracaibo, Venezuela • withdrew from the freestyle competition due to injury • U of M Scholar-Athlete.

SCHLATTER’S CAREER STATISTICS

Year ................. Overall (pins) ............. Dual ........ Big Ten ........ Big Tens (place) ........ NCAAs
2003-04 ............. redshirted
2004-05 ............. 17-11 (3) ............ 7-6 ............. 2-4 ............. 3-2 (4th) ........ 3-2
2005-06 ............. 36-7 (1) ............. 18-2 ............. 7-1 ............. 3-0 (1st) ........ 2-2
Career ................. 53-18 (4) ............. 25-8 ............. 9-5 ............. 6-2 ................. 5-4

2004-05 • FRESHMAN SEASON:

Overall Record: ........................................... 17-11
Dual Meet Record: ........................................... 7-6
Big Ten Record: ........................................... 2-4
Pins: .............................................................. 3
Major Decisions: ............................................. 3

Notes: NCAA qualifier • ranked as high as 11th in the nation at 149 pounds • moved up to 157 pounds prior to the Michigan dual meet on Jan. 30 • was 8-7 overall and 2-3 in duals at 157 • returned from offseason knee injury to join the lineup in late December • finished 3-2 at the NCAA Championships • entered the Big Ten Championships as the seventh seed • went 2-3 to claim fourth place • rolled to the finals at the Southern Scuffle with two pins and two major decisions and finished second • earned first career win at 157 pounds with a 12-8 decision against Northwestern’s Mike Kimberlin (2/4) • named the team’s Fraser Dean Most Courageous Wrestler Award • NWCA Academic All-American • Academic All-Big Ten selection • U of M Scholar-Athlete • earned his first letter.

2003-04: Redshirted • cruised to first place at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15) with a 5-0 record • posted three major decisions en route to the title • had three pins and two technical falls as he claimed first place at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/22) • one of three Gophers on the seven-member 20-year old and under U.S. National Team • won the gold medal in Greco-Roman at 74 kg at the Junior Pan-Am Championships in Maracaibo, Venezuela • withdrew from the freestyle competition due to injury • U of M Scholar-Athlete.

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of St. Paris Graham High School • four-time Ohio state champ • amassed the best record in Ohio state history with a 165-1 career mark • ranked No. 1 nationally at 145 by USA Wrestling • three-time district champ • led his team to a pair of state championships during his career • 2003 NHSCA Senior National champ • named Most Outstanding Wrestler after winning the freestyle and Greco-Roman titles at the Junior Nationals • claimed a pair of Cadet National Freestyle titles, along with two runner-up finishes in Greco-Roman • recipient of the prestigious Dave Schultz High School Excellence Award as the top prep wrestler in the nation • also named an Academic All-American • ranked fourth in his class of 158 with a 4.06 grade-point-average.

PERSONAL: Pre-nursing major • son of Pat and Joyce Schlatter • born Sept. 27, 1984.
The most improved wrestler on the Golden Gopher roster last season, Manuel Rivera competed in his first NCAA Championships after rallying for a fifth-place finish at the Big Ten meet.

Rivera earned the starting spot at 141 pounds prior to the start of the season and did not disappoint, compiling a 28-15 overall record, including a 5-2 mark in Big Ten competition. He earned six pins and three major decisions on the year in his first season as a full-time starter.

As a redshirt freshman, Rivera split time between 133 and 141 pounds and finished the year with a 13-12 overall record. He got his first taste of collegiate dual meet competition with starts against perennial powers Nebraska and Iowa State.

A native of El Monte, Calif., Rivera was an NHSCA National Champion as a senior and defeated fellow Gopher Mack Reiter on his way to the title.

2005-06 • SOPHOMORE SEASON:
Overall Record: 28-15
Dual Meet Record: 11-7
Big Ten Record: 5-2
Pins: 6
Major Decisions: 3
Technical Falls: 1

Notes: Rallied for a fifth-place finish at the Big Ten Championships with a 3-2 record • began the season with a first-place finish at the Bison Open (11/12) • finished fifth at the Kaufman-Brand Open with a 6-2 record (11/19) • earned his second letter.

2004-05 • FRESHMAN SEASON:
Overall Record: 13-12
Dual Meet Record: 0-2
Pins: 3

Notes: Was 7-6 at 133 pounds and 6-6 at 141 • started a pair of dual meets • had three pins on the season • defeated by Mack Reiter in the finals of the Bison Open (11/13) • posted a second-place finish at the Dragon Open (12/5) • placed sixth with a 3-3 record at the Southern Scuffle (12/29-30) • made his first career start at Nebraska (1/4) • also got the start at Iowa State (1/9) • placed second with a 3-1 record at the North Country Open (2/5) • earned his first letter.

2003-04: Redshirted • compiled a 2-2 record at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15) • claimed third place with a 7-1 record at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/22) • moved up to 141 pounds and earned second place with a 3-1 record at the Flash Flanagan Open (1/3).

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of Rosemead High School • coaches were Louie Madrigal and Mike Tellez • 2003 NHSCA Senior National Champion • defeated fellow Golden Gopher Mack Reiter en route to the national title • three-time all-conference and all-area performer • four-year letterwinner • placed third at 125 at the 2003 state championships.

PERSONAL: Psychology major • son of Manuel and Oralia Rivera • born October 25, 1985.
Schlatter finished his freshman campaign with a 42-1 overall record, the fourth-highest win total in school history. He entered this season with 30 consecutive victories, a streak that ranks as the seventh-longest ever.

After beginning the 2005-06 season unranked, Schlatter caught the eyes of wrestling fans around the nation with his performance at the National Duals where he went 4-0 with three victories over top-five opponents. His most impressive victory was an upset of top-ranked Oklahoma State in the Gophers’ victory over the Cowboys in the championship match.

The younger brother of Gopher junior C.P. Schlatter, Dustin joined the Minnesota wrestling program after one of the most decorated high school careers in history. He was a four-time Ohio state champion, a four-time All-American and joined his brother by winning the Dave Schultz High School Excellence award as the top prep wrestler in the nation.

2005-06 • FRESHMAN SEASON:
Overall Record: 42-1
Dual Meet Record: 19-1
Pins: 7-0
Major Decisions: 14
Technical Falls: 10

Notes: The fourth Golden Gopher to win Big Ten Freshman of the Year honors • was 15-1 against ranked opponents • earned bonus points in 28 of his 42 wins • had a team-best 10 technical falls • also led the team with 14 major decisions • outscored his opponents 65-3 during the dual meet season • won the Big Ten title with three straight wins, including two by major decision • began the season with two majors, three technical falls and four pins in his first nine matches • four pins all occurred less than two minutes into the match • claimed titles at the Bison and Kaufman-Brand Opens (11/12-19) • suffered only loss at second round to Ryan Osgood (Michigan) • finished his freshman year with a 42-1 record.

SCHLATTER AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS
SCHLATTER’S CAREER STATISTICS

2005-06: First Seed; 2-0; 1st Place
Quarterfinals: No. 8 Darren McKnight (MSU) W, M, 17-3
Semifinals: No. 4 J Jaggers (OSU) W, M, 4-1
Finals: Troy Tirapelle (ILL) W, M, 14-0

Career Record: 42-1 (5) Overall (pins) 19-1 Big Ten 7-0 Big Ten (place) 3-0 NCAA’s (place) 5-0

SCHLATTER AT THE NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS
2006: First Seed; 5-0; 1st Place
First Round: Anthony Baza (CS Bakersfield) W, M, 8-0
Second Round: Ryan Osgood (Northern Iowa) W, M, 14-1
Quarterfinals: No. 5 Eric Tannenbaum (Michigan) W, M, 14-1
Semifinals: No. 4 Matt Storlino (Oklahoma) W, M, 14-1
Finals: No. 2 Ty Eustice (Iowa) W, M, 14-0
HIGH SCHOOL: A 2006 graduate of Albert Lea High School • head coach was Larry Goodnature • was the eighth-ranked heavyweight in the country according to InterMat • asics Honorable Mention All-American as a senior • two-time all-state selection • 2006 Minnesota State Champion at 285 pounds • compiled a 47-2 overall record on the season • finished second in state as a junior • three sport all-conference performer in high school • also competed in football and baseball • participated in the MSHSL All-Star Football Game last June.

PERSONAL: Considering majoring in education • son of Brian and Nancy Berhow • born June 9, 1988 • enjoys hunting and fishing during his time away from the mat.

Ben Berhow

HIGH SCHOOL: Freshman

Hwt

Hayward, Minn.

Albert Lea High School

Brent Eidenshink

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Freshman

Detroit Lakes, Minn.

Detroit Lakes High School

PERSONAL: Kinesiology major • son of Richard and Sandy Bronson • born June 8, 1985.

Bronson's Career Statistics

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Justin Bronson

Junior

Princeton, Minn.

Princeton High School

PERSONAL: Considering a major in secondary education or finance • son of Dean and Sue Eidenshink • born January 11, 1988.

Matthew Everson

165

Junior

Mitchell, S.D.

Mitchell High School

PERSONAL: Planning to major in kinesiology • son of Ron and Susan Glasser • born March 17, 1988.

Scott Glasser

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Senior

Bismarck, N.D.

Bismarck High School

PERSONAL: Political science major • son of Robert and Debra Everson • his brother, Andy, was a two-time state champion and is wrestling for South Dakota State • born April 23, 1986.

Eversen's Career Statistics

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Debra Everson • his brother, Andy, was a two-time state champion, the only Class A wrestler to accomplish that feat • 2006 Class A Wrestler of the Year • compiled a 204-23 career record, including 69 straight victories • helped the Demons win seven consecutive dual team state titles • Wrestling USA All-American • finished second at the 2006 Junior Freestyle Nationals.

PERSONAL: Considering major in education • son of Brian and Nancy Berhow • born June 9, 1988 • enjoys hunting and fishing during his time away from the mat.
pounds and 6-3 at 174 • was 7-8 in dual meets at 197 pounds, including 3-4 in the Big Ten • had two pins and two major decisions • took third place in the 174-pound weight class at the Bison Open (11/12) with a 5-1 record • won his dual meet debut at 197 pounds with a 9-4 decision over Wes Taylor of Tennessee-Chattanooga at the Northeast Duals (11/26) • earned his first letter.

2004-05 ▶ FRESHMAN SEASON: Compiled a 12-6 overall record • went 5-6 at 197 pounds and 7-0 at 165 • made one dual meet start • had two pins and one major decision • earned second place with a 3-1 record at the Bison Open (11/13) • dropped an 8-4 decision against Northern Iowa's Chris Bitetto in first career start (12/12) • moved up to 165 pounds prior to the Flash Flanagan Open (1/8) and won seven matches in a row • claimed the title at the Flash with a 3-0 record • cruised to the championship at the North Country Open with four straight wins (2/5).

2003-06: Redshirted • posted a 7-2 overall record at 157 and 165 pounds • claimed fifth place with a 3-2 record at 157 pounds at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15) • earned first place with a 4-0 record at 165 pounds at the Flash Flanagan Open (1/3) • U of M Scholar-Athlete.

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of Freedom High School • head coach was Bob Dettmer • two-time all-state selection • also earned one runner-up finish • five-time regional champion • led his team to three straight state titles • compiled a 105-24 overall record • finished second in the 133-pound weight class at the University of Minnesota Christmas Tournament • 2002 WIAA Division I Regional champion • 2003 NHSCA Senior Nationals champion • Junior National All-American • member of the 2002 Cadet Freestyle All-American • 2001 FILA Cadet Greco-Roman All-American • 2001 FILA Cadet Freestyle All-American • member of the 2002 World Greco Cadet Team • registered three falls in 7:27 at the 2002 FILA Cadet Greco-Roman nationals.

PERSONAL: Communications major • son of Keith and Ellene Lang • lists winning the state title as an eighth grader as his biggest thrill • born May 4, 1985.
LANG AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS
2006: Seventh Seed: 1-2
Pigtail: Nathan Costello (OSU), W. P. 2.24
Quarterfinal: No. 2 Nick Simmons (MSU), L. 7-0
Consolation: Collin Cudd (UN), L. 11-6

Jeremy Larson will compete for time at 165 pounds for the Golden Gophers. As a redshirt freshman in 2004-05, he filled a couple of holes in the lineup when other wrestlers went down with injury. He showed vast improvement last season with a 13-5 overall record and will look to make a bigger impact this year.

2005-06 SOPHOMORE SEASON: Finished the season with a 13-5 overall record at 165 pounds • had five pins and one technical fall • went 3-2 at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/19) • two of his wins came by way of pins • went 5-1 and pinned his last two opponents to finish third at the Dragon Open (12/4) • claimed fifth place at the Southern Scuffle (12/30) with a 5-2 record • one of his matches came by way of default to teammate Matt Nagel • Academic All-Big Ten selection • U of M Scholar-Athlete • earned his second letter.

2004-05 FRESHMAN SEASON: Compiled a 2-8 record at 174 pounds • became the first NJCAA champ in Highline Community College history • redshirted last season to maintain an additional year of eligibility.

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of Pine Island High School • head coach was Paul Greely • won the state title as a senior • also lettered three times in football and track.

PERSONAL: Undecided on major • son of Michael and Linda Matousek • born August 29, 1986.
Abner Andrew Domingues • posted a 4-2 record at 133 pounds in 2004-05 • went 2-2 at the Bison Open (11/12) • pinned Matt Schlimme at 133 in 1:23 in the consolation round.

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of Bloomington Kennedy High School • head coach was Charles Vavra • four-year letterwinner • two-time Minnesota state champion • had an 11-2 mark at 125 and an 8-2 record at 133 • had seven pins and four major decisions • took third place with a 4-1 record at 125 pounds at the Bison Open (11/12) • his only loss came against teammate Andrew Domingues • posted a 4-2 record at 133 pounds to claim fifth place at the UNI Open (12/3) • cruised to the 125-pound title at the Flash Flanagan Open (1/7) with a major decision and two pins.

PERSONAL: Technical education major • lists hunting and fishing as hobbies • son of Jay and Sally Ness • born April 26, 1986.

Economics major • son of Phil and Kim Meinert • a three-year Letterwinner • two-time Minnesota state champion • had a 153-53 career record, including a 11-2 mark at 125 and an 8-2 record at 133 pounds for the Gophers • born November 27, 1987.

HIGH SCHOOL: A 2006 graduate of Dickinson High School • head coach was Larry Berg • six-year letterwinner • won the 2005 state championship • finished with a perfect 40-0 record as a senior • had a 153-53 career record, including a 104-14 record in his final three seasons • placed sixth at the state championships as a sophomore as his team finished second • three-time all-conference honoree • two-year letterwinner on the football team • academic all-state selection.

PERSONAL: Undecided on major • son of Don and Ruth McNellis • oldest of six children • born February 16, 1986.

HIGH SCHOOL: A 2006 graduate of Dickinson High School • head coach was Dave Michaelson • six-year letterwinner • three-time state champion • had three major decisions and two pins placed fifth with a 3-2 record at the Bison Open (11/13) • pinned Matt Lawrence in 1:55 in the first round • earned sixth place at the Dragon Open (12/5) • placed fifth with a 3-2 record at the North Country Open (2/8) • pinned Jaime Compean in just 1:16 in the consolation round.

HIGH SCHOOL: A 2003 graduate of Dickinson High School • head coach was his father, Phil, Sr. • six-year letterwinner • two-time state tournament participant • finished fourth at 171 pounds at the 2004 state tournament • holds school records for wins in a season with 46 and in a career with 110 • also holds the single-season school record for takedowns with 200 • three-time all-conference selection • finished sixth at the Las Vegas Junior Regionals and sixth at the Northern Plains • two-time letterwinner on the football team • member of the school’s honor roll • earned academic all-state honors.

PERSONAL: Economics major • son of Kim and Phil Meinert • prep teammate of current Golden Gopher Justin Bronson • born June 2, 1986.

MEINERT’S CAREER STATISTICS

Year..............Overall (pins) ..............Major..............Dual ..............Big Ten
2004-05........redshirted
2005-06........9-8 (0)..................0-0.................0-0
Career...........9-8 (0)..................0-0.................0-0

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of Princeton High School • high school coach was his father, Phil, Sr. • six-year letterwinner • two-time state tournament participant • finished fourth at 171 pounds at the 2004 state tournament • holds school records for wins in a season with 46 and in a career with 110 • also holds the single-season school record for takedowns with 200 • three-time all-conference selection • finished sixth at the Las Vegas Junior Regionals and sixth at the Northern Plains • two-time letterwinner on the football team • member of the school’s honor roll • earned academic all-state honors.

PERSONAL: Pre-nursing major • son of Rick and Gloria Mellmer • younger brother of Marc, who also wrestles at 133 pounds for the Gophers • born November 27, 1987.

HIGH SCHOOL: A 2006 graduate of Waconia High School • head coach was Kelly Wagner and Mike Pettit • NHSCA All-American as a senior • Junior National Freestyle All-American • two-time state champion • was also a three-year letterwinner in football • captain of his high school football and wrestling teams.

PERSONAL: Planning to major in education • son of John and Jayne Nord • his dad played football in the USFL • born December 11, 1987.

Tyler Safratowich started in three dual meets last season in place of Manuel Rivera and Dustin Schlatter and finished the season with a 16-9 overall record. He moves up a couple of weight classes this season and will compete for time at 157 and 165 pounds.

2005-06 ► FRESHMAN SEASON: Finished the year with a 16-9 overall record • recorded four pins and five major decisions • went 5-2 at the Bison Open (11/12) for fifth place • finished with a 3-2 record at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/19) • was eliminated by teammate Manuel Rivera • competed in three dual meets, filling in for Rivera and went 6-2 at the UNI Open (12/3) to claim fifth place • claimed the title at the Flash Flanagan Open (1/7) with a 4-0 record • made his dual meet debut against Iowa State at the National Duals (1/14) • made his Big Ten debut filling in for Dustin Schlatter at 149 pounds on Ohio State (1/27) • filled in for Rivera at No. 3 Michigan (2/17) • U of M scholar athlete • earned his first letter.

2004-05: Redshirted • compiled a 19-4 overall record, including an 11-2 mark at 125 and an 8-2 record at 133 pounds • had seven pins and four major decisions • took third place with a 4-1 record at 125 pounds at the Bison Open (11/12) • his only loss came against teammate Andrew Domingues • posted a 4-2 record at 133 pounds to claim fifth place at the UNI Open (12/3) • cruised to the 125-pound title at the Flash Flanagan Open (1/7) with a major decision and two pins.

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of Bloomington Kennedy High School • head coach was Charles Vavra • four-year letterwinner • two-time Minnesota state champion • had an 11-2 mark at 125 and an 8-2 record at 133 pounds • had seven pins and four major decisions • took third place with a 4-1 record at 125 pounds at the Bison Open (11/12) • his only loss came against teammate Andrew Domingues • posted a 4-2 record at 133 pounds to claim fifth place at the UNI Open (12/3) • cruised to the 125-pound title at the Flash Flanagan Open (1/7) with a major decision and two pins.

PERSONAL: Technical education major • lists hunting and fishing as hobbies • son of Jay and Sally Ness • born April 26, 1987.

MEINERT’S CAREER STATISTICS

Year..............Overall (pins) ..............Major..............Dual ..............Big Ten
2004-05........redshirted
2005-06........9-8 (0)..................0-0.................0-0
Career...........9-8 (0)..................0-0.................0-0

High school coach was Matt Clark • five-year letterwinner • three-time Minnesota state champion • school’s all-time leader with a career record of 146-27 • went 39-4 as a sophomore to win his first state title • was 39-1 as a junior and claimed his second state championship • was 41-1 as a senior and earned his third-straight title • his 41 wins are a school record • Cadet and Junior National All-American • 2001 Minnesota Cadet champion in both Greco and freestyle and finished second in Greco at nationals • 2002

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of Park Rapids High School • high school coach was Matt Clark • five-year letterwinner • three-time Minnesota state champion • school’s all-time leader with a career record of 146-27 • went 39-4 as a sophomore to win his first state title • was 39-1 as a junior and claimed his second state championship • was 41-1 as a senior and earned his third-straight title • his 41 wins are a school record • Cadet and Junior National All-American • 2001 Minnesota Cadet champion in both Greco and freestyle and finished second in Greco at nationals • 2002
Minnesota Junior Greco champion and Junior Freestyle runner-up • finished third at the 2003 Northern Plains Regional Junior tournament in both Greco and freestyle • two-year letterwinner on the cross country team.

PERSONAL: Construction management major • son of Joe and Sherry Safatowich • born November 26, 1985.

SAFRATOWICH’S CAREER STATISTICS

Year………………Overall (pins)…………Dual…………Big Ten
2004-05…………16-9 (4)…………0-3…………0-2
2005-06…………16-9 (4)…………0-3…………0-2

Brandon Stich
Freshman
Kelso, Wash.
Kelso High School

HIGH SCHOOL: A 2006 graduate of Kelso High School • head coach was Bob Freund • four-time Washington state champion • 2004 Cadet Junior National Freestyle and Greco-Roman Champion • four-time Junior All-American • Wrestling USA All-American • also earned three letters in football • won the 2006 Dave Schultz Award in the state of Washington.

PERSONAL: Planning to major in kinesiology • son of Dennis and Shelley Stich • born March 25, 1988.

Mike Thorn
Freshman
St. Michael, Minn.
St. Michael-Albertville High School

HIGH SCHOOL: A 2006 graduate of St. Michael-Albertville High School • high school coaches were Gregg Greeno and Dan Lefebrve • Minnesota’s Wrestler of the Year last year • three-time state champion and four-time finalist • Junior National All-American • Cadet National Champion.

PERSONAL: Undecided on a major • son of John and Brenda Thorn • born November 18, 1987.

Jason Waidzulis
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Forest Lake, Minn.
Forest Lake High School

2004-05 ▶ SOPHOMORE SEASON: Finished with a 1-9 overall record • had one win over Chase Theilen at the Bison Open (11/12); also competed at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/19) and the Dragon Open (12/4).

2005-06 ▶ FRESHMAN SEASON: Finished with a 1-8 overall record • made one dual meet start against Michigan State’s Joe Williams (1/28); started in place of an injured Roger Kish • finished 1-2 at the North Country Open (2/5).

2003-04: Spent one year at the University of Wisconsin-Madison • did not compete on the wrestling team.

HIGH SCHOOL: A graduate of Forest Lake High School • high school coach was Bob Detmer • three-year letterwinner on the wrestling team • also a three-year letterwinner on the football team • a member of the National Honor Society • a member of the ROTC.


▶ WAIDZULIS’ CAREER STATISTICS

Year………………Overall (pins)…………Dual…………Big Ten
2004-05…………1-9 (0)…………0-1…………0-1
2005-06…………1-8 (0)…………0-0…………0-0
Career………………2-17 (0)…………0-1…………0-1

Danny Williams
Senior
Indianapolis, Ind.
Warren Central High School

One of just three seniors on the Minnesota roster. Danny Williams looks to finish his career on a high note. Williams has been a valuable contributor to the Gophers’ success each of the last three seasons and brings a great personality and positive attitude to the locker room. The two-year letterwinner has competed in 13 dual meets and accumulated 21 wins over the course of his career, with his most successful season coming during his sophomore year in 2004-05.

2005-06 ▶ JUNIOR SEASON: Finished the year with a 7-6 overall record • had one major decision • took second place at the Bison Open (11/12), with his only loss coming to teammate Dustin Schiatter in the championship match; went 4-2 at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/19), winning four consecutive matches • competed in one dual meet, filling in for C.P. Schiatter at 157 pounds against Arizona State (12/3) • also competed at the Southern Scuffle (12/30) • earned his second letter.

2004-05 ▶ SOPHOMORE SEASON: Compiled an 8-11 overall record at 149 and 157 pounds • was 1-8 in dual meets, including a 1-6 mark in Big Ten meets • had two pins on the season • won five straight matches to claim the title at the Bison Open (11/13); placed eighth at the Mat Town USA Invitational (11/27); made eight starts at 149, including an 8-7 victory against Northwestern’s Greg Hagel (2/4); made first career start at 157 pounds against Iowa’s Joe Johnston (2/11); earned first career letter.

2003-04 ▶ FRESHMAN SEASON: Compiled a 6-8 record, including a 1-2 mark in dual meets at 141 pounds • had two major decisions • earned fifth place at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15); won 1-2 at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/22); filled in at 141 pounds for Tommy Owen in three dual meets • earned first career start against Portland State (1/4) and posted a 15-4 major decision against Josh Carroll • also got the start in dual meets at Michigan State and Michigan (1/23-24).

2002-03: Redshirted • compiled an 11-5 overall record • registered a pair of major decisions • claimed second place with a 4-2 record at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15); went 1-2 at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/22); filled in at 141 pounds for Tommy Owen in three dual meets • earned first career start against Portland State (1/4) and posted a 15-4 major decision against Josh Carroll • also got the start in dual meets at Michigan State and Michigan (1/23-24).

2001-02: Redshirted • compiled an 11-5 overall record • registered a pair of major decisions • claimed second place with a 4-2 record at the Harold Nichols Open (11/15); went 1-2 at the Kaufman-Brand Open (11/22); filled in at 141 pounds for Tommy Owen in three dual meets • earned first career start against Portland State (1/4) and posted a 15-4 major decision against Josh Carroll • also got the start in dual meets at Michigan State and Michigan (1/23-24).

HIGH SCHOOL: Two-time Indiana state champion • broke his leg in December 2001 and returned to capture the state title in his senior season • named a 2002 High School All-American.


▶ WILLIAMS’ CAREER STATISTICS

Year………………Overall (pins)…………Dual…………Big Ten
2002-03…………redshirted
2003-04…………6-8 (0)…………1-2…………0-2
2004-05…………8-11 (2)…………1-8…………1-6
2005-06…………7-6 (0)…………0-1…………0-0
Career………………21-25 (2)…………2-11…………1-8

Danny Williams
The University of Minnesota wrestling program is fortunate to have some of the best collegiate wrestling facilities in the country at its disposal. Both the Sports Pavilion and Williams Arena provide Golden Gopher wrestling fans with excellent venues to watch one of the most dominant programs in the nation.

Located adjacent to the historic Williams Arena, the Sports Pavilion will host all of Minnesota’s home matches in 2006. Renovated prior to the 1993-94 season, the Pavilion offers 5,700 seats that all offer excellent sightlines and allow fans to be right on top of the action on the mat.

In its inaugural season, the Pavilion was host to Minnesota wrestling history as the Golden Gophers claimed their first-ever No. 1 national ranking with a 23-16 upset win over top-ranked Oklahoma State on Feb. 5, 1994. The crowd of 5,205 is the largest to ever see a wrestling match in the Sports Pavilion.

A multi-purpose venue, the Pavilion is also the home facility for the nationally-ranked Golden Gopher volleyball team, in addition to the men’s and women’s gymnastics teams.

Formerly Mariucci Arena and the home of Golden Gopher hockey, the Sports Pavilion was part of a $41-million project for on-campus sports facilities. That campaign also raised money for the remodeling of Williams Arena and construction of the new Mariucci Arena.

With a seating capacity of 14,625, Williams Arena traditionally has also hosted Golden Gopher wrestling action. The current home of the Golden Gopher men’s and women’s basketball teams, Williams Arena served as the primary home of the Minnesota grappling until the construction of the Sports Pavilion was completed in 1993. One of the few facilities in the nation with a raised floor, “The Barn” provides fans with a unique perspective of the action on the mats at Minnesota wrestling meets.

On Feb. 20, 2000, the second-ranked Golden Gophers lost a close match to third-ranked Iowa, 20-12, in front of a Williams Arena wrestling attendance record 13,128 fans.

Over the years, the Minnesota wrestling program has also utilized a pair of state-of-the-art facilities in the Twin Cities area. The Golden Gophers have hosted duals at the Target Center in downtown Minneapolis and at the Xcel Energy Center in downtown St. Paul. The dual meets have included an in-arena master of ceremonies, highlight videos, instant replays, pyrotechnics, taped and live interviews with wrestlers, coaches and fans, and much more. The meet is another in the long line of groundbreaking events J Robinson and the University of Minnesota has introduced to the wrestling world.

In 2002-03, the Golden Gophers kicked off their dual meet season against
Iowa at the Xcel Energy Center in downtown St. Paul. A crowd of 12,180 watched Minnesota battle the Hawkeyes.

In 2001-02 in the inaugural Border Brawl at Target Center, Minnesota and Iowa broke the NCAA wrestling dual meet attendance record as 15,646 fans saw the Golden Gophers down the Hawkeyes 22-15.

Practice for the Minnesota wrestling program takes place in the spacious wrestling room in the Bierman Field Athletic Building, providing Minnesota grapplers with an excellent area to hone their skills on the mat.

Strength training for the Minnesota wrestling squad takes place in the 12,000-square-foot weight room in the Bierman Field Athletic Building. Serving as the primary weight room for Golden Gopher student-athletes, the facility is equipped with the most up-to-date equipment not only in the Big Ten, but in the entire nation.

**MINNESOTA TOP WRESTLING ATTENDANCES**

- 15,646 vs. Iowa Target Center Feb. 1, 2002
- 13,128 vs. Iowa Williams Arena Feb. 20, 2000
- 12,180 vs. Iowa Xcel Energy Center Nov. 15, 2002
- 11,284 vs. Iowa Williams Arena Jan. 23, 1998
- 9,565 vs. Oklahoma St. Williams Arena Jan. 7, 2001
- 9,225 vs. Iowa State Williams Arena Feb. 3, 1980

An NCAA dual meet record of 15,646 fans packed into the Target Center for the Minnesota-Iowa Border Brawl in 2002. Minnesota has hosted a total of three meets in the home of the NBA's Minnesota Timberwolves.

The Golden Gophers practice in the spacious wrestling room, located in the Bierman Field Athletic Building.

The University of Minnesota hosted the 1996 NCAA Championships at the Target Center in downtown Minneapolis.

The team strength trains in one of the largest and most-equipped weight rooms in the nation, located in the Bierman Field Athletic Building.
NORTHERN COLORADO Bears

Location ........................................ GREELEY, Colo.
Enrollment ..................................... 12,300
Nickname ......................................... Bears
Colors ........................................... Blue and Gold
Conference .................................... Western Wrestling Conference
Arena (cap.) ...................................... BUTLER HANCOCK SPORTS PAVILION (2,734)

Head Coach ................................. Jack Maughan (NDSU, ’86)

2005-06 Dual Meet Record ............... 7-9
Conference Record/Finish ................ first season
NCAA Tournament Finish ................ n/a
Letterwinners returning/lost ................ 22/11
Starters returning/lost ...................... 6/4
All-Americans returning/lost ............... n/a
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ............ n/a
The Series ...................................... Minnesota leads 3-0
Last Meeting ............................... 12/11/94 at Laramie, Wyo.
(Minnesota 45, Northern Colorado 4)

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OKLAHOMA STATE Cowboys

Location ........................................ Stillwater, Okla.
Enrollment ..................................... 32,721
Nickname ......................................... Cowboys
Colors ........................................... Orange and Black
Conference .................................... Big XII
Arena (cap.) ...................................... GALLEHER-IBA ARENA (13,611)

Head Coach ................................. John Smith (Oklahoma State, ’88)
Record at Oklahoma State ................. 236-27-3 (15 years)
Career Record ......................... same
Assistant Coaches ............... Mark Branch, Eric Guerrero

2005-06 Dual Meet Record ............... 16-2
Conference Record/Finish ................ 5-0/1st
NCAA Tournament Finish ............... 1st (122 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ............... 18/8
Starters returning/lost ...................... 4/6
All-Americans returning/lost ............... 3/3
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ............ 4/5
The Series ...................................... Oklahoma State leads 16-9-0
Last Meeting ............................... 2/12/06 at Stillwater, Okla.
(Minnesota 19, Oklahoma State 16)

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IOWA STATE Cyclones

Location ........................................ Ames, Iowa
Enrollment ..................................... 25,462
Nickname ......................................... Cyclones
Colors ........................................... Cardinal and Gold
Conference .................................... Big XII
Arena (cap.) ...................................... HILTON COLISEUM (14,092)

Head Coach ................................. Cael Sanderson (Iowa State, ’02)
Record at Iowa State ...................... first season
Career Record ......................... first season
Assistant Coaches ............... Cody Sanderson, Tim Hartung

2005-06 Dual Meet Record ............... 11-7
Conference Record/Finish ................ 1-3/4th
NCAA Tournament Finish ............... 13th (48.5 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ............... 13/2
Starters returning/lost ...................... 8/2
All-Americans returning/lost ............... 3/1
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ............ 3/2
The Series ...................................... Iowa State leads 33-15-2
Last Meeting ............................... 1/14/06 at Cedar Falls, Iowa (Nat’l Duals)
(Minnesota 32, Iowa State 6)

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ARIZONA STATE Sun Devils

Location ........................................ Tempe, Ariz.
Enrollment ..................................... 51,612
Nickname ......................................... Sun Devils
Colors ........................................... Maroon and Gold
Conference .................................... Pac-10
Arena (cap.) ...................................... WELLS FARGO AreNA (14,198)

Head Coach ................................. Thom Ortiz (Arizona State, ’90)
Record at Arizona State ................. 57-32-1 (five years)
Career Record ......................... same
Assistant Coaches ............... Aaron Simpson, Eric Larkin

2005-06 Dual Meet Record ............... 14-6
Conference Record/Finish ................ 6-0/1st
NCAA Tournament Finish ............... 6th (81.5 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ............... 13/6
Starters returning/lost ...................... 5/5
All-Americans returning/lost ............... 13/3
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ............ 2/5
The Series ...................................... Arizona State leads 13-9-0
Last Meeting ............................... 1/30/06 at Minneapolis
(Minnesota 23, Arizona State 19)

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MICHIGAN Wolverines

Location ........................................ Ann Arbor, Mich.
Enrollment ..................................... 37,306
Nickname ......................................... Wolverines
Colors ........................................... Maize and Blue
Conference .................................... Big Ten
Arena (cap.) ...................................... CLIFF KEEN ARENA (12,000)

Head Coach ....................... Joe McFarland (Michigan, ’85)
Record at Michigan ................. 104-23-3 (seven years)
Career Record ...................... 128-43-3 (10 years)
Assistant Coaches ............... Kirk Trost, Mike Kulczycki

2005-06 Dual Meet Record ............... 16-2
Conference Record/Finish ................ 6-0/1st
NCAA Tournament Finish ............... 7th (57.5 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ............... 15/7
Starters returning/lost ...................... 7/3
All-Americans returning/lost ............... 2/2
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ............ 7/3
The Series ...................................... Michigan leads 28-23-2
Last Meeting ............................... 2/18/06 at Ann Arbor, Mich.
(Michigan 19, Minnesota 15)

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ILLINOIS

Location.........................Champaign, Ill.
Enrollment.................38,000
Colors .........................Orange and Blue
Arena (cap.) ......................Huff Hall (4,500)
Head Coach .................Mark Johnson (Michigan, '77)
Career Record ..................186-41-5
Assistant Coaches ..........Jim Hoffmenn, Carl Perry, Jeremy Hunter

2005-06 Dual Meet Record .................10-2-1
Conference Record/Finish .......5-2-1/3rd
NCAA Tournament Finish .........25th (29 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ......7/5
Starters returning/lost .............6/4
All-Americans returning/lost ......n/a
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ....2/2
The Series ..................Minnesota leads 26-21-2
Last Meeting ..............2/20/05 at Minneapolis, Minn.
(Illinois 24, Minnesota 13)

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MICHIGAN STATE Spartans

Location .........................East Lansing, Mich.
Enrollment ....................45,166
Nickname ..........................Spartans
Colors .........................Green and White
Arena (cap.) .....................Jenison Field House (5,017)
Head Coach .................Tom Minkel (Central Michigan, '71)
Record at Michigan State ....201-128-3 (15 years)
Career Record ..............136-146-6
Assistant Coaches ..........Roger Chandler, Chris Williams

2005-06 Dual Meet Record .................11-0
Conference Record/Finish .......2-6/T-8th
NCAA Tournament Finish .........T-18th (35 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ......16/10
Starters returning/lost ............6/4
All-Americans returning/lost ......1/1
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ....4/1
The Series ..................Michigan leads 39-4-1
Last Meeting ..............2/5/06 at Minneapolis, Minn.
(Michigan State 21, Indiana 13)

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INDIANA Hoosiers

Location .................Bloomington, Ind.
Enrollment .................38,903
Nickname .........................Hoosiers
Colors .........................Cream and Crimson
Arena (cap.) ..................University Gym (2,500)
Head Coach .................Duane Goldman (Iowa, '86)
Record at Indiana ...........175-96-4 (14 years)
Career Record ..............same
Assistant Coaches ..........Mike Mena, Reggie Wright

2005-06 Dual Meet Record .................11-0
Conference Record/Finish .......2-6/T-8th
NCAA Tournament Finish .........T-18th (35 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ......16/10
Starters returning/lost ............6/4
All-Americans returning/lost ......1/1
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ....4/1
The Series ..................Indiana leads 39-4-1
Last Meeting ..............2/5/06 at Minneapolis, Minn.
(Michigan State 21, Indiana 13)

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WISCONSIN Badgers

Location .................Madison, Wis.
Enrollment .................41,169
Nickname .........................Badgers
Colors .........................Cardinal and White
Arena (cap.) ..................UW Field House (10,300)
Head Coach .................Barry Davis (Iowa, '85)
Record at Michigan State ....222-93-3 (13 years)
Career Record ..............same
Assistant Coaches ..........Bart Chelesvig, Donny Prizlaff

2005-06 Dual Meet Record .................9-5-1
Conference Record/Finish .......2-6/T-8th
NCAA Tournament Finish .........T-18th (35 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ......20/4
Starters returning/lost ............6/4
All-Americans returning/lost ......2/0
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ....2/2
The Series ..................Minnesota leads 31-27
Last Meeting ..............2/19/06 at East Lansing, Mich.
(Minnesota 41, Michigan State 3)

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PURDUE Boilermakers

Location .................West Lafayette, Ind.
Enrollment .................38,653
Nickname .........................Boilermakers
Colors .........................Old Gold and Black
Arena (cap.) ..................Intercollegiate Athletic Facility (1,696)
Head Coach .................Jesse Reyes (Cal State-Bakersfield, '84)
Record at Purdue .............169-112-3 (14 years)
Career Record ..............same
Assistant Coaches ..........Scott Hinkel, Tom Erikson

2005-06 Dual Meet Record .................9-10
Conference Record/Finish .......1-7/9th
NCAA Tournament Finish .........20th (34 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ......7/5
Starters returning/lost ............6/4
All-Americans returning/lost ......n/a
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ....2/2
The Series ..................Michigan State leads 31-27
Last Meeting ..............2/5/06 at Minneapolis, Minn.
(Minnesota 24, Purdue 12)

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NEBRASKA Cornhuskers

Location .................Lincoln, Neb.
Enrollment .................22,000
Colors .........................Scarlet and Cream
Conference .....................Big XII
Arena (cap.) ..................NU Coliseum (4,030)
Head Coach .................Mark Manning (Neb.-Omaha, '85)
Record at Nebraska .........85-32-1 (six years)
Career Record ..............110-56-3
Assistant Coaches ..........Michael Greenfield, Tony Ersland

2005-06 Dual Meet Record .................12-5
Conference Record/Finish .......3-1/3rd
NCAA Tournament Finish .........25th (29 points)
Letterwinners returning/lost ......10/3
Starters returning/lost ............8/2
All-Americans returning/lost ......1/2
NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ....8/2
The Series ..................Minnesota leads 44-17
Last Meeting ..............12/11/05 at Minneapolis, Minn.
(Minnesota 27, Nebraska 11)

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2006-07 OPPONENTS

Two-Time Team National Champions • Five Big Ten Titles in Last Eight Years • 18 National Champions in Last 10 Years

TWO-TIME TEAM NATIONAL CHAMPIONS • FIVE BIG TEN TITLES IN LAST EIGHT YEARS • 18 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS IN LAST TEN YEARS

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2006-07 OPPONENTS

TWO-TIME TEAM NATIONAL CHAMPIONS • FIVE BIG TEN TITLES IN LAST EIGHT YEARS • 18 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS • 57 ALL-AMERICANS IN LAST 10 YEARS

Location ........................................ Iowa City, Iowa
Enrollment ..................................... 29,697
Colors ........................................... Old Gold and Black
Arena (cap.) .................................. Carver-Hawkeye Arena (15,500)

Head Coach ......................... Tom Brands (Iowa, ’92)
Record at Iowa .................................. first season
Career Record .............................. 17-20
Assistant Coaches ............... Dan Gable, Wes Hand

2005-06 Dual Meet Record ....................... 11-7
Conference Record/Finish ...................... 4-4/6th
NCAA Tournament Finish .................... 4th (70 points)

2005 NCAA Qualifiers returning/lost ........... 5/3
Starters returning/lost ............................ 7/3
All-Americans returning/lost ..................... 5/3

The Series .................................... Iowa leads 62-24-1
Last Meeting ............................. 1/22/06 at Minneapolis, Minn.

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2006-07 TOURNAMENTS

BISON OPEN
Sat., November 11, 2006
Fargo, North Dakota
Bison Sports Arena
Host: North Dakota State

Over the 36-year history of the Bison Open, Minnesota has claimed 142 individual titles. The Golden Gophers claimed nine of 10 titles at the 2005 Bison Open.

Minnesota’s 2005 Champions
Andrew Dominique (125)
Mack Reiter (133)
Manuel Rivera (141)
Dustin Schlatter (149)
C.P. Schlatter (157)
Matt Nagel (165)
Gabriel Dretsch (174)
Roger Kish (184)
Cole Konrad (HWT)

20-and-Under Division
1st - Dustin Schlatter, 149
2nd - Jayson Ness, 125
5th - Nate Matousek, 165

NORTHEAST DUALS
Sat., November 25, 2006
Albany, New York
Niskayuna High School

Minnesota at the 2005 Northeast Duals

KAUFMAN-BRAND OPEN
Sat., November 18, 2006
Omaha, Nebraska
Sapp Fieldhouse
Host: Nebraska-Omaha

The Kaufman-Brand Open is the largest single-day collegiate wrestling meet in the nation.

Minnesota’s 2005 Placewinners
Open Division
1st - Roger Kish, 184
2nd - Andrew Dominguez, 125
4th - C.P. Schlatter, 157
4th - Gabriel Dretsch, 174
5th - Travis Lang, 125
5th - Manuel Rivera, 141

2005 Final Team Scores (Top 5)
1. Minnesota 192.0
2. Missouri, 149.0
3. Cornell, 131.0
4. Edinboro, 103.0
5. Ohio State, 94.5

Minnesota’s 2005 Placewinners
1st - Dustin Schlatter, 149
1st - Roger Kish, 184
1st - Cole Konrad, HWT
2nd - Mack Reiter, 133
2nd - C.P. Schlatter, 157
3rd - Matt Nagel, 165
3rd - Gabriel Dretsch, 174
5th - Travis Lang, 125
5th - Jeremy Larson, 165

2006-07 CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

NWCA/CLIFF KEEN NATIONAL DUALS
Sat.-Sun., January 13-14, 2007
Cedar Falls, Iowa
UNI Dome
Host: Northern Iowa

Directions to the UNI-Dome
Take Highway 218 South to the Highway 58/First Street exit. Highway 58 turns into First Street. Take First Street to Hudson Road and turn left. The UNI-Dome will be on your right in about one mile.

2007 BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS
Sat.-Sun., March 3-4, 2007
East Lansing, Michigan
Jenison Field House
Host: Michigan State University

The 5,017-seat Jenison Field House on the campus of Michigan State University will host the 2007 Big Ten Championships. Featuring one of the nation’s only dual meet wrestling platforms, Jenison Field House is one of college wrestling’s most intimate venues and offers fans a truly unique experience.

2007 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS
Thur.-Sat., March 15-17, 2007
Auburn Hills, Michigan
The Palace of Auburn Hills
Hosts: University of Michigan and the Detroit Metro Sports Commission

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2005-06 TEAM RESULTS

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Dual: Dual match record at listed weight class.
Big Ten: Record in Big Ten dual meet matches.
Big Ten/PL: Record and place at Big Ten Championships.
NCAA/PL: Record and place in the NCAA Tournament.

2006-07 returnees in bold
DUAL 1
November 26, 2005 • Albany, N.Y. (Guilderland High School)
Northeast Duals

#5 MINNESOTA 41
Virginia Tech 7

Minnesota kicked off its 2005-06 dual meet season at the Northeast Duals in Albany, N.Y. For the first time since 1994, Minnesota competed in four dual meets in one day. In the first match of the day, the fifth-ranked Golden Gophers rolled past Virginia Tech, 41-7. Minnesota racked up three pins and a technical fall and also benefited from a pair of forfeits. Second-ranked heavyweight Cole Konrad closed out the match with a 7-2 decision against No. 12 Michael Faust. With the match tied at one, Konrad finished the third period with a flurry of takedowns to claim the win.

DUAL 2
November 26, 2005 • Albany, N.Y. (Guilderland High School)
Northeast Duals

#5 MINNESOTA 36
#25 Tenn.-Chattanooga 6

The Golden Gophers breezed to their second victory of the day at the Northeast Duals with a 36-6 victory over No. 25 Tennessee-Chattanooga. Minnesota trailed 5-3 after three matches, but the Gophers rallied to win the final seven matches against the Mocs. Third-ranked Mack Reiter posted the most impressive win of the dual with an 8-0 major decision against 12th-ranked Matt Keller at 197 pounds. Senior All-American Matt Nagel picked up his second straight pin in 6:24 against Daniel Peterson at 165 pounds.

DUAL 3
November 26, 2005 • Albany, N.Y. (Guilderland High School)
Northeast Duals

#5 MINNESOTA 19
#15 Central Michigan 13

Minnesota was tested against 15th-ranked Central Michigan in a 19-13 victory. The Golden Gophers escaped with one-point victories from Mack Reiter, Manuel Rivera and C.P. Schlatter, as well as a 3-1 overtime decision from Roger Kish. Dustin Schlatter suffered what turned out to be the only loss of his freshman season, a narrow 1-0 decision against seventh-ranked Mark DiSalvo. With the Golden Gophers leading 16-13, Konrad clinched the win with a 9-4 decision against 19th-ranked Bubba Gritter at heavyweight.

DUAL 4
November 26, 2005 • Albany, N.Y. (Guilderland High School)
Northeast Duals

#5 MINNESOTA 40
American 10

Minnesota’s final match at the Northeast Duals against American provided a couple of surprising results. Fourth-ranked Matt Nagel and sixth-ranked Roger Kish were both handed their first losses of the season. Nagel suffered a 1-3 major decision defeat against eighth-ranked Muzzaffar Abdurakhmanov at 155 pounds. At 184, 12th-ranked Josh Glenn pinned Kish in 4:02. Despite the losses, Minnesota dominated in the other eight matches en route to the 40-10 win. Cole Konrad finished an impressive day with a 19-4 technical fall against No. 14 Adam LoPiccolo.

DUAL 5
December 2, 2005 • Cedar Falls, Iowa (West Gym)

Northern Iowa 6

The fifth-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team overwhelmed host Northern Iowa, 31-6, winning eight of 10 matches on the night. Minnesota extended its winning streak over the Panthers to 11 matches and improved to 5-0 on the season, its best start since the 2001-02 season. UNI got off to a strong start as 11th-ranked Nick Baima upset No. 4 Matt Nagel, 6-3, at 165 pounds, but Minnesota dominated from there, responding with six straight victories. No. 14 Gabriel Dretsch tied the match with an 8-4 decision against 12th-ranked Alex Dolly at 174 pounds, and sixth-ranked Roger Kish followed with an 8-4 decision against Dan Dunning to give Minnesota the lead. The Gophers never looked back from there, getting victories from Mitch Kuhlman, Cole Konrad, Andrew Domingues, and Mack Reiter. Northern Iowa got its only other win in a wild match at 141 pounds. The Panthers’ C.J. Etelsson held a 12-0 advantage over Manuel Rivera after two periods before Rivera staged a dramatic comeback. Rivera had seven takedowns and a near fall in the third period, but ran out of time in a narrow 19-16 loss. Minnesota closed out the match with back-to-back wins by brothers Dustin and C.P. Schlatter.

WT WRESTLER RESULTS SCORE

125 Andrew Dominguex (Minn.) dec. Christian Smith 6-2
133 No. 3 Mack Reiter (Minn.) maj. dec. No. 12 Matt Keller 8-0
141 No. 5 Michael Keeffe (UTC) dec. Manuel Rivera 10-5
149 Dustin Schlatter (Minn.) maj. dec. Daniel Peterson 14-1
157 No. 8 C.P. Schlatter (Minn.) tech. fall Dale Kiley 17-2
165 No. 4 Matt Nagel (Minn.) pinned Joe Czarny 6:24
174 No. 14 Gabriel Dretsch (Minn.) tech. fall T.J. Sayers 19-4
184 No. 6 Roger Kish (Minn.) won by forfeit
197 John Laboranti (VT) maj. dec. Justin Bronson 12-2
HWT No. 2 Cole Konrad (Minn.) dec. No. 12 Michael Faust 7-2

WT WRESTLER RESULTS SCORE

125 Andrew Dominguex (Minn.) won by forfeit
133 No. 3 Mack Reiter (Minn.) maj. dec. Jordan Lipp 9-0
141 Manuel Rivera (Minn.) won by forfeit
149 Dustin Schlatter (Minn.) tech. fall Tom Kniezewski 15-0
157 No. 8 C.P. Schlatter (Minn.) tech. fall Chris Stout 17-2
165 No. 8 M. Abdurakhmanov (AU) maj. dec. No. 4 Matt Nagel 13-3
174 No. 14 Gabriel Dretsch (Minn.) tech. fall Dwayne Hash-Barberis 17-2
184 No. 12 Josh Glenn (AU) pinned No. 6 Roger Kish 4:02
197 Mitch Kuhlman (Minn.) maj. dec. Tyler Flatt 8-0
HWT No. 2 Cole Konrad (Minn.) tech. fall No. 14 Adam LoPiccolo 19-4

WT WRESTLER RESULTS SCORE

125 No. 3 Mack Reiter (Minn.) dec. No. 15 Eric Neil 2-1
165 No. 4 Matt Nagel (Minn.) maj. dec. Justin Petrone 11-3
174 No. 2 Brandon Simont (CMU) dec. No. 14 Gabriel Dretsch 9-3
185 No. 6 Roger Kish (Minn.) dec. Christian Schlatter 3-1 OT
197 No. 4 Wynn Michalak (CMU) maj. dec. Justin Bronson 13-4
HWT No. 2 Cole Konrad (Minn.) dec. No. 19 Bubba Gritter 9-4

WT WRESTLER RESULTS SCORE

165 No. 11 Nick Baima (UNI) dec. No. 4 Matt Nagel 6-3
174 No. 14 Gabriel Dretsch (Minn.) dec. No. 12 Alex Dolly 8-4
184 No. 6 Roger Kish (Minn.) dec. Dan Dunning 8-4
197 Mitch Kuhlman (Minn.) dec. Andrew Anderson 2-1
HWT No. 2 Cole Konrad (Minn.) pinned Tyler Flatt 2:56
125 Andrew Domingues (Minn.) maj. dec. Jordan Lipp 9-0
141 Manuel Rivera (Minn.) won by forfeit
149 Dustin Schlatter (Minn.) tech. fall Colby Goelsch 18-1, 5:36
157 No. 8 C.P. Schlatter (Minn.) dec. No. 18 Chris Billett 3-2
Season Review

DUAL 6
December 9, 2005 • Minneapolis, Minn. (Williams Arena)

#5 MINNESOTA .............21
#7 Iowa State .............13

Minnesota snapped a four-match losing streak against Iowa State with a 21-13 victory over the seventh-ranked Cyclones at Williams Arena. Sophomore C.P. Schlatter provided the biggest win of the night with a 5-4 upset of second-ranked Trent Paulson at 157 pounds. Iowa State jumped out to a 4-0 lead behind second-ranked Nate Gallick’s 15-5 major decision against sophomore Manuel Rivera at 141 pounds, but Minnesota turned the tide behind the Schlatter brothers. Dustin Schlatter made his debut in front of the Golden Gopher crowd a memorable one with a dominating 19-6 major decision against Aron Scott at 149 pounds before C.P. Schlatter followed with his upset of Paulson. Iowa State responded with a 3-1 decision for sixth-ranked Travis Paulson over No. 4 Matt Nagel at 165 pounds, but Minnesota took a 10-7 lead into intermission after 14th-ranked Gabriel Dretsch defeated David Bertolino, 8-4, at 174 pounds. The Cyclones started strong in the second half of the match behind wins from fifth-ranked Kurt Backes at 184 and Joe Curran at 197. Trailing 13-10, Minnesota closed out the match with three straight victories. After Cole Konrad steamrolled Richard Schopf at heavyweight, Travis Lang made his first career start at 125 pounds and put Minnesota ahead with an 8-0 major decision over ISU’s Ben Hanisch. With a seemingly insurmountable 18-13 lead and with third-ranked Mack Reiter taking to the mat at 133 pounds, Jesse Sundell nearly stole a victory for the Cyclones. Leading comfortably throughout, Reiter held a 7-2 advantage late in the second period, but after attempting to roll Sundell, Reiter slipped and found himself on his back just seconds away from being pinned. Sundell was unable to claim the fall, and Reiter regrouped in the third period to claim a 14-8 decision.

DUAL 7
December 11, 2005 • Minneapolis, Minn. (Sports Pavilion)

#5 MINNESOTA .............27
#19 Nebraska .............11

Gabriel Dretsch upset No. 5 Jacob Klein at 174 pounds to propel Minnesota to a 27-11 victory over No. 19 Nebraska. The Cornhuskers entered the match unbeaten at 3-0 after upsetting second-ranked Michigan two nights earlier. Minnesota jumped ahead early and never looked back as redshirt freshman Travis Lang opened the match with a pin in 3:34 against Paul Donahoe at 125 pounds. The Golden Gophers increased the lead to 9-0 as third-ranked Mack Reiter improved to 11-0 on the year with a 5-0 decision over Patrick Aleksanyan. After Dominick Moyer earned Nebraska’s first win with a 10-2 major decision against Charles Lloyd at 141, Dustin Schlatter answered with a 14-4 major decision against Nebraska’s Robert Sanders at 149 pounds. Schlatter collected his first takedown just six seconds into the match and never looked back as he improved to 16-1 on the year. C.P. Schlatter followed with a 12-5 decision against Chris Oliver at 157 pounds before intermission. Nebraska’s Marc Harwood used a first-period takedown and a third-period escape to upset No. 4 Matt Nagel, 3-2, at 165 pounds, but Dretsch put to rest any hope of a Cornhusker comeback with a dominating 12-4 major decision against Klein, handing him his first loss of the year. Roger Kish gave Minnesota some breathing room with an 11-5 decision against Brandon Browne at 184 pounds, and second-ranked Cole Konrad closed out the dual with a 16-5 major decision against 20th-ranked Jon May at heavyweight.

DUAL 8
January 3, 2006 • Minneapolis, Minn. (Sports Pavilion)

#5 MINNESOTA .............23
#16 Arizona State ..............19

Top-ranked Cole Konrad defeated fourth-ranked Cain Velasquez in the final match as the second-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team defeated No. 16 Arizona State, 23-19. Minnesota held off a late rally to earn its sixth straight win over the Sun Devils. With Minnesota leading 20-19 heading into the heavyweight match, Konrad took control early with a takedown 37 seconds in. Velasquez tied the match with a takedown eight seconds into the third period, but after a brief injury timeout, Konrad started down and scored the escape to earn the 3-2 victory. Arizona State took an early 4-0 lead as eighth-ranked Jeremy Mendoza earned an 8-0 major decision against Andrew Domingues at 125 pounds. Minnesota responded with three straight wins to take a 14-4 lead. Fourth-ranked Mack Reiter improved to 8-0 in the dual meet season with a pin of Adam Hickey at 133 pounds. At 141 pounds, Manuel Rivera took an early lead on Jason Robbins and held on for a 7-3 decision. Dustin Schlatter needed just 2:42 to claim a 15-0 technical fall over Brandon Schad at 149 pounds. Schlatter earned a takedown 10 seconds into the match and then scored four near falls to earn five points for Minnesota. The Sun Devils regained a little momentum just before halftime as ninth-ranked Brian Stih needed just 1:11 to pin junior Danny Williams, who was filling in for an injured C.P. Schlatter at 157 pounds. After Arizona State forfeited at 165 pounds, the Sun Devils got back into the match with three straight wins. The Sun Devils cut Minnesota’s lead to 20-19 at 197 pounds as eightieth-
ranked Ryan Bader defeated Mitch Kuhlman, 6-1. Wrestling up two weight classes, Kuhlman kept the match close to allow the Golden Gophers to hang on to the lead before Konrad's victory.

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**DUAL 9**

January 14, 2006 • Cedar Falls, Iowa (UNI-Dome)

**#2 MINNESOTA .......... 28**

**#18 Hofstra ............ 7**

The second-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team won eight of 10 matches en route to a 28-7 victory against No. 18 Hofstra in the first round of the National Duals in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Travis Lang gave the Golden Gophers a 4-0 lead with a 12-4 major decision against Dave Tomasette at 125 pounds. Mack Reiter followed with a 6-2 decision against Ricky LaForge at 133 pounds, and Manuel Rivera survived at 141 pounds with a 6-5 win against Charles Griffin. Dustin Schlatter provided the biggest win of the match with a 6-0 decision against second-ranked Jon Masa at 149 pounds to increase Minnesota’s lead to 13-0. Schlatter jumped ahead 2-0 with a takedown in the first round of the match and never looked back on his way to the dominating victory. C.P. Schliarter followed with a 7-0 win against 17th-ranked James Strouse at 157 pounds. Matt Nagel increased Minnesota’s lead to 19-0 with a 5-3 overtime win against Chris Vondruska at 165 pounds. Leading 3-2 in the third, Nagel was penalized a point with eight seconds to go for a head butt, but he earned the victory with a takedown with three seconds remaining in overtime. Hofstra earned its first win of the day at 174 pounds, as fourth-ranked Mike Patrovich held off No. 8 Gabriel Dretsch, 6-7. Roger Kish got the Golden Gophers back on track with a 7-2 decision against No. 15 Joe Rovelli at 184 pounds. After the Pride cut the Minnesota lead to 22-7 on Chris Weidman’s major decision at 197 pounds, Matt Nagel defeated Trevor Stewart by major decision. The Chippewas bounced back with two wins in the next three matches, highlighted by Brandon Sinnott’s 4-2 overtime decision against eighth-ranked Gabriel Dretsch at 174 pounds. Roger Kish gave the Golden Gophers an important victory at 184 pounds with a 6-2 decision against Christian Sinnott to give Minnesota a 16-9 lead. After the Chippewas pulled to within one on Wynn Michalak’s pin of Justin Bronson at 197 pounds, Konrad defeated Gritter to clinch the win. Konrad became the 28th wrestler in school history to reach 100 career victories.

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**DUAL 10**

January 14, 2006 • Cedar Falls, Iowa (UNI-Dome)

**#2 MINNESOTA .......... 32**

**#8 Iowa State .......... 6**

Minnesota routed No. 8 Iowa State, 32-6, to advance to the semifinals of the National Duals. The Golden Gophers won eight of 10 matches en route to their biggest win over the Cyclones since a 29-3 victory in 1940. The Golden Gophers jumped out to a 7-0 lead behind wins from Travis Lang and Mack Reiter. In a battle of former four-time Iowa state champions, Reiter collected a 13-4 major decision against Jesse Sundell at 133 pounds. Iowa State cut the lead to 7-4 as top-ranked Nate Gallick earned a 9-4 decision against Tyler Safrautowich, who made his first career start at 141 pounds. Minnesota increased its advantage to 11-4 as Dustin Schlatter claimed an 11-1 major decision against Jason Knipp at 149 pounds. At 157 pounds, second-ranked Trent Paulsen avenged an earlier loss with a 4-0 decision against eighth-ranked C.P. Schliartr in a match that was scoreless until the third period. The turning point of the dual occurred at 165 pounds as ninth-ranked Matt Nagel defeated seventh-ranked Travis Paulsen, 3-2, in double overtime. Leading 14-6, Minnesota put the match away with four more victories. Gabriel Dretsch held on for a 4-2 win over David Bertolino at 174 pounds, and seventh-ranked Roger Kish followed with a hard-fought 6-5 win against ninth-ranked Kurt Backes at 184 pounds. Despite giving up 13 points to his opponent, Mitch Kuhlman avenged an earlier loss by pinning Joe Curran in the second period at 197 pounds. With the dual meet decided, the Cyclones forfeited the heavyweight match.

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DUAL 12
January 15, 2006 • Cedar Falls, Iowa (UNI-Dome)
National Duals Championship

#2 MINNESOTA ............... 21
#1 Oklahoma State ........... 14

Cole Konrad pinned two-time NCAA Champion Steve Mocco to give the second-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team a 21-14 upset of top-ranked Oklahoma State in the finals at the National Duals. Konrad ended Mocco’s 85-match winning streak, while the Golden Gophers snapped the Cowboys’ 30-match winning streak as they won their fourth National Duals title and first since 2002. After defeating Mocco earlier in the year in an exhibition match at the NWCA/Marines All-Star Classic, Konrad earned his first official win over the OSU wrestler. With Minnesota leading 15-14, the heavyweight match started slowly. The two wrestlers traded escapes in the second and third periods and 26 seconds into the third, Konrad got Mocco in a body lock and used an inside trip to send him to his back. He recorded the pin in 5:26 en route to being named the tournament’s Most Outstanding Wrestler, capping a memorable dual for Minnesota.

The Golden Gophers fell behind early as the Cowboys took a 7-0 lead with victories at 125 and 133 pounds. The momentum shifted when Manuel Rivera upset sixth-ranked Daniel Frishkorn with a 9-4 decision at 141 pounds. Rivera trailed 4-1 after the first period but turned things around in the second, getting in on an ankle pick and forcing Frishkorn to his back. The takedown and near fall gave him a 7-4 lead to take control of the match. Dustin Schlatter then knocked off his third top-five ranked wrestler of the weekend, upsetting defending NCAA Champion Zack Esposito in an entertaining 8-7 match. Trailing 7-5, Esposito tied the match with a third-period reversal, but Schlatter needed just six seconds to jump ahead 2-0 with a takedown and scored three near falls to take an 11-0 first-period lead. Schlatter added two more takedowns in the second to end the match in 4:41. C.P. Schlatter followed with a 9-4 decision against Greg Hagel at 157 pounds, and Matt Nagel made the score 18-3 with a 3-1 decision against 17th-ranked Will Durkee at 165 pounds. The Wildcats narrowed the gap to 18-7 as second-ranked Jake Herbert extended his winning streak to 27 matches with a 13-3 major decision against eighth-ranked Gabriel Dretsch at 174 pounds. Minnesota rebounded at 184 pounds, as ninth-ranked Roger Kish defeated 10th-ranked Mike Tamillow, 6-2. After Northwestern’s Matt Delguyd defeated Justin Bronson, 13-2, at 197 pounds, top-ranked heavyweight Cole Konrad defeated ninth-ranked Dustin Fox, 4-0. Konrad’s first-period takedown proved to be the difference as he improved to 25-0 on the year.

DUAL 13
January 20, 2006 • Minneapolis, Minn. (Sports Pavilion)

#1 MINNESOTA ............... 24
#16 Northwestern ............ 11

The top-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team won seven of 10 matches in a 24-11 victory against No. 16 Northwestern in the Big Ten opener for both teams. The Wildcats jumped ahead 3-0 after eighth-ranked John Velez earned a 6-0 decision against Andrew Domingues at 125 pounds. Minnesota responded with five straight victories, including third-ranked Mack Reiter’s 5-2 decision over Daniel Quintela at 133 pounds. The Golden Gophers led 7-3 after Manuel Rivera scored a 14-3 major decision against Marty Gould at 141 pounds. After jumping from No. 7 to No. 2 in the rankings earlier in the week, Dustin Schlatter put on a clinic with a 17-1 technical fall against Jimmy Kim at 149 pounds. Schlatter needed just six seconds to jump ahead 2-0 with a takedown and scored three near falls to take an 11-0 first-period lead. Schlatter added two more takedowns in the second to end the match in 4:41. C.P. Schlatter followed with a 9-4 decision against Greg Hagel at 157 pounds, and Matt Nagel made the score 18-3 with a 3-1 decision against 17th-ranked Will Durkee at 165 pounds. The Wildcats narrowed the gap to 18-7 as second-ranked Jake Herbert extended his winning streak to 27 matches with a 13-3 major decision against eighth-ranked Gabriel Dretsch at 174 pounds. Minnesota rebounded at 184 pounds, as ninth-ranked Roger Kish defeated 10th-ranked Mike Tamillow, 6-2. After Northwestern’s Matt Delguyd defeated Justin Bronson, 13-2, at 197 pounds, top-ranked heavyweight Cole Konrad defeated ninth-ranked Dustin Fox, 4-0. Konrad’s first-period takedown proved to be the difference as he improved to 25-0 on the year.

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Cole Konrad pinned Oklahoma State's Steve Mocco, ending his 85-match winning streak, to give Minnesota the National Duals title.
**DUAL 14**

January 22, 2006 • Minneapolis, Minn. (Williams Arena)

#1 MINNESOTA .......... .25
#7 Iowa ................. .9

The Golden Gophers defeated No. 7 Iowa, 25-9, in front of 6,695 fans at Williams Arena. It was the biggest win for Minnesota over the Hawkeyes since a 23-6 victory in 1941. The Gophers defeated four higher-ranked wrestlers, highlighted by Dustin Schlatter’s 4-1 win over top-ranked Ty Eustice at 149 pounds. The Hawkeyes won the first match at 125 pounds, but it was all Minnesota from there. Mark Reiter dominated Daniel Dennis, a senior from St. Paul, on his way to a 10-2 major decision at 133 pounds. Manuel Rivera recorded the first of four upsets on the day, defeating No. 12 Alex Tsirtsis, 4-3, at 141 pounds. With the match tied at two, Rivera scored the deciding takedown 39 seconds into the third period. Schlatter followed with his second victory over a top-ranked wrestler in two weeks. Ranked second in the country, Schlatter dominated Eustice as he improved to 28-1 on the year. C.P. Schlatter then defeated fifth-ranked Joe Johnston, 12-7, at 157 pounds. Following intermission, Minnesota extended its lead to 19-3 as 10th-ranked Matt Nagel defeated Eric Luedke, 8-3, at 165 pounds. Iowa cut the lead to 19-6 as fourth-ranked Mark Perry returned from injury to defeat No. 8 Gabriel Dretsch, 6-2, at 174 pounds. Minnesota got back on track when ninth-ranked Roger Kish upset No. 8 Paul Bradley, 4-1, at 184 pounds. Bradley had won the previous two meetings, but Kish led this one throughout, beginning with a takedown just seven seconds into the match. After Iowa’s Dan Erskesen defeated Mitch Kuhlman, 6-3, at 197 pounds, top-ranked heavyweight Cole Konrad dominated sixth-ranked Matt Fields. Konrad led 10-1 in the third period, but Fields injured his knee on a takedown and was unable to finish the match. Minnesota was awarded six points for the injury default as Konrad remained unbeaten with a 26-0 record.

**DUAL 15**

January 27, 2006 • Columbus, Ohio (St. John Arena)

#1 MINNESOTA .......... .30
Ohio State .............. .6

Despite wrestling without top-ranked Dustin Schlatter, a former four-time Ohio state champion, the top-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team easily defeated the Buckeyes, 30-6, in Columbus, Ohio. Dustin’s brother, C.P., another four-time Ohio state champion, prevailed in his homecoming with an 11-3 major decision against Steve Sommer. The Buckeyes took an early 3-0 lead as Blake Maurer upset eighth-ranked Gabriel Dretsch, 6-4, in overtime at 174 pounds. The Gophers took over from there as seventh-ranked Roger Kish earned a 16-5 major decision against Alex Picazo at 184 pounds. Kish took control early with three first-period takeowns and earned the bonus point for the major decision with three more takeowns in the final period. The Golden Gophers increased the lead to 7-3 when Mitch Kuhlman defeated James Aston, 6-4, in overtime at 197 pounds. Top-ranked heavyweight Cole Konrad improved to 27-0 with a 3-1 decision against 15th-ranked Kirk Nail. After Ohio State forfeited at 125 pounds, fourth-ranked Mack Reiter gave Minnesota a 19-3 lead with a 6-1 decision against Reece Humphrey at 133 pounds. Minnesota increased the lead to 22-3 when 15th-ranked Manuel Rivera defeated T.J. Enright, 4-2, in double overtime. Wrestling in place of Schlatter, Tyler Saffarotch made his first start at 145 and his second career start as a Golden Gopher. He dropped a narrow 8-6 decision against 14th-ranked Jaggars. Minnesota closed out the dual with wins by C.P. Schlatter and Matt Nagel. Schlatter blew open a close match against Sommer with two second-period takeowns, and Nagel closed out the rout with a 12-4 major decision against Nathaniel Augustson at 165 pounds.

**DUAL 16**

January 29, 2006 • University Park, Pa. (Rec Hall)

#1 MINNESOTA .......... .25
#9 Penn State .......... .16

Pins by the only two upperclassmen in the lineup propelled the top-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team to a 25-16 win against No. 9 Penn State in University Park, Pa. Senior Matt Nagel and junior Cole Konrad registered the falls as Minnesota won six of 10 matches. The Golden Gophers jumped ahead early as fifth-ranked C.P. Schlatter claimed an 8-3 decision over No. 13 Nathan Galloway at 157 pounds. Ranked ninth in the country, Nagel followed with a pin just 50 seconds into his match against 15th-ranked David Erwin. The Nittany Lions roared back with three straight wins to take a 10-9 lead. No. 8 James Younoushoush entered the 174-pound match with an 0-2 record against eighth-ranked Gabriel Dretsch but turned the tables with a 5-4 win. At 184 pounds, eighth-ranked Roger Kish dominated top-ranked Eric Bradle but was unable to finish four quality chances in a 3-2 loss. Penn State took the lead when sixth-ranked Phillip Davis earned a 13-1 major decision against sophomore Mitch Kuhlman at 197 pounds, but Minnesota responded with four wins in the final five matches, starting with Konrad’s pin of 18th-ranked Joe Edwards in 1:44 at heavyweight. In the only match featuring an unranked wrestler, Travis Lang gave Minnesota an 18-10 lead with a 7-6 decision against Tim Haas at 125 pounds. Trailing 5-4 after a wild first period, Lang opened the second period with a two-point reversal. Tied at six through three periods, Lang was awarded one point for riding time to earn the win. Fourth-ranked Mack Reiter won a 5-3 decision against Jake Strayer at 133 pounds. In control throughout, Reiter broke a scoreless tie with a reversal to start the second period to give Minnesota a 21-10 advantage. Needing two pins in the final two match-ups to upset the Golden Gophers, Penn State’s DeWitt Driscoll made things interesting with a pin of No. 15 Manuel Rivera in 2:19 at 141 pounds. The Nittany Lion momentum ended there, as top-ranked Dustin Schlatter sealed the Minnesota win with an 11-0 major decision against 10th-ranked James Woodall at 149.

**Season Review**

- Two-time team national champions
- Five Big Ten titles in last eight years
- 18 national champions
- 57 All-Americans in last 10 years
Season Review

DUAL 17
February 3, 2006 • Minneapolis, Minn. (Sports Pavilion)

#1 MINNESOTA ............ 26
#23 Wisconsin ............ 12

Minnesota wrestled without All-American Mack Reiter but won seven of 10 matches to break a two-match losing streak against the Badgers with a 26-12 victory. More than 50 Golden Gopher alumni were on hand as J Robinson was honored prior to the match for his 20 years as the head coach at Minnesota. Roger Kish earned an 11-3 major decision against Matt Maciag to give Minnesota an early 4-0 lead. Despite giving up 16 pounds, sophomore Mitch Kuhlman held on for a 5-4 decision against Dallas Herbst at 197 pounds. Following Wisconsin’s forfeit at heavyweight, Minnesota took a 16-0 lead when Travis Lang defeated Collin Cudd, 8-7, at 125 pounds. The Badgers got on the board when sixth-ranked Tom Clum pinned Daniel Jackson, who made his first career start in place of Reiter at 133 pounds. Clum earned the takedown 37 seconds into the match and then scored the fall at the 1:15 mark. Trailing 16-6 at intermission, the Badgers got back into the match with a pair of upsets in the next three matches. At 141 pounds, senior Ed Gutnik defeated No. 13 Manuel Rivera, 2-0. In the first of two battles between top-10 opponents, top-ranked Dustin Schlatter gave Minnesota a 19-9 lead with a 14-3 major decision against No. 9 Tyler Turner. The Badgers got their last win of the night at 157 pounds as sixth-ranked Craig Henning topped No. 4 C.P. Schlatter, 7-4. Leading 19-12, Minnesota’s lone senior, Matt Nagel, clinched the match with a 12-7 decision against 17th-ranked Jake Donar at 165 pounds. No. 14 Gabriel Dretsch closed out the Golden Gopher win with a 14-3 major decision against Michael Felling at 174 pounds.

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DUAL 18
February 5, 2006 • Minneapolis, Minn. (Sports Pavilion)

#1 MINNESOTA ............ 25
#15 Indiana ............ 13

Minnesota finished unbeaten at home for the fifth time under head coach J Robinson and honored its lone senior, Matt Nagel, during the intermission of the Gophers’ 25-13 victory over No. 15 Indiana. The Golden Gophers broke a 13-13 tie with three wins to close out the match. The Golden Gophers won the first three matches, including Nagel’s 10-6 win over Max Dean at 165 pounds. Fellow Frazee, Minn., native Gabriel Dretsch gave Minnesota a 6-0 lead with a 10-8 overtime decision against Marc Bennett at 174 pounds. Roger Kish increased the Gopher lead to 10-0 thanks to an amazing third period against Justin Curran at 184 pounds. Kuhlman was 2-0 after two periods and then erupted for eight takedowns in the final two minutes to claim a 22-8 major decision. The Hoosiers got on the board at 197 pounds as ninth-ranked Brandon Mason defeated Mitch Kuhlman, 10-3. Minnesota rebounded when top-ranked Cole Konrad dispatched Dave Herman, 7-3, at heavyweight. Following a scoreless first period, Konrad took over in the second with a pair of takedowns to win his 28th straight match. The Hoosiers fought back to tie the match at 13 with back-to-back wins at 125 and 133 pounds. Top-ranked Joe Dubuque remained unbeaten on the year with a 10-2 major decision against Travis Lang. Andrae Hernandez kept the momentum in IU’s favor with a pin in 3:48 against sophomore Daniel Jackson. Minnesota was unfazed, however, and closed out the dual with three impressive victories. No. 13 Manuel Rivera posted a 21-8 major decision against Chris Kelley at 141 pounds before top-ranked Dustin Schlatter clinched the match for Minnesota with a 17-0 technical fall against Matt Cooper at 149 pounds. The marquee match of the day occurred at 157 pounds, as fourth-ranked C.P. Schlatter defeated eighth-ranked Brandon Becker, 7-6.

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DUAL 19
February 12, 2006 • Oklahoma City, Okla. (Ford Center)

#1 MINNESOTA ............ 19
#2 Oklahoma State ............ 16

A month after snapping Oklahoma State’s 30-match winning streak, the top-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team defeated the second-ranked Cowboys, 19-16, in Oklahoma City, Okla. With the dual tied at 16 entering the final match, top-ranked Cole Konrad defeated two-time NCAA Champion Steve Mocco, 3-1, in overtime to keep Minnesota perfect on the season. Following a scoreless first period, the pair traded escapes in the second to keep the score tied at one. Konrad nearly ended the match with a takedown, but it was waved off as the third period came to an end. In overtime, Konrad countered a Mocco shot and circled around to secure the takedown 26 seconds into the extra period.

Much like the previous meeting at the National Duals, the Cowboys took an early lead with wins at 125 and 133. Fourth-ranked Coleman Scott defeated Travis Lang, 12-5, and Oklahoma State extended its advantage with a 2-1 win by second-ranked Nathan Morgan over third-ranked Mack Reiter. Just like a month earlier, it was again Manuel Rivera who got Minnesota back in the match. Rivera earned a fall in 6:23 against Justin Porter at 141 pounds to tie the match at six. The win set up the highly anticipated rematch between Dustin Schlatter and the Cowboys’ defending NCAA Champion Zack Esposito at 149 pounds. Ranked number one in the country, Schlatter matched his earlier win against Esposito with an astounding 11-2 major decision. C.P. Schlatter followed with a 7-3 decision against 15th-ranked Kevin Ward at 157 pounds to give Minnesota a 13-6 lead. The Cowboys began their comeback with wins in three of the next four matches to pull even at 16 apiece. Defending NCAA Champion Johny Hendricks claimed a 3-1 decision against ninth-ranked Matt Nagel at 165 pounds, and Oklahoma State kept the momentum going at 174 as ninth-ranked Brandon Mason earned a 3-1 decision against 14th-ranked Gabriel Dretsch. With Minnesota leading 13-12, 10th-ranked Roger Kish gave the
Gophers some breathing room with a 5-1 decision against Rusty Blackmon at 184 pounds before two-time NCAA Champion Jake Rosholt tied the match with a 14-2 major decision against the Golden Gophers’ Mitch Kuhlman at 197 pounds to set up the showdown between the heavyweights.

**DUAL 20**

February 17, 2006 • Ann Arbor, Mich. (Cliff Keen Arena)

#3 Michigan ............... 19

#1 MINNESOTA ............ 15

An upset at 125 and a disqualification at 165 propelled third-ranked Michigan to a 19-15 win against the top-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team. Minnesota dropped its first match of the season and fell to 19-15 and 6-1 in the Big Ten. The Wolverines remained perfect in the league with a 7-0 record as well as a 15-2 overall record. In a battle of unbeaters at heavyweight, Minnesota’s Cole Konrad improved to 32-0 with a 1-0 decision against the Golden Gophers’ Mitch Kuhlman at 197 pounds to set up the showdown between the heavies.

Despite giving up nearly 17 pounds, sophomore Mitch Kuhlman closed out the dual with a 5-4 decision against Jeff Clemens at 197.

**DUAL 21**

February 19, 2006 • East Lansing, Mich. (Jenison Field House)

#1 MINNESOTA ............ 41

#18 Michigan State ........... 3

Two days after dropping its first match of the season at Michigan, the top-ranked Golden Gopher wrestling team took out its frustration on No. 18 Michigan State with a dominating 41-3 victory to finish the regular season 20-1 overall, marking just the fourth time in school history the team has reached 20 dual meet wins in a single season. The Golden Gophers racked up three major decisions, a technical fall and a pair of pins in the win. Top-ranked heavyweight Cole Konrad got Minnesota started with a 17-6 major decision against Max Lossen. Michigan State got its only win of the day at 125 pounds when third-ranked Nick Simmons defeated Travis Lang, 9-2. Third-ranked Mack Reiter gave Minnesota an 8-3 lead with a 17-3 major decision over Jeff Wimerberley at 133 pounds, and No. 13 Manuel Rivera extended the lead to 14-3 with his pin of Tim Hammer in 6:09 at 141 pounds. Top-ranked Dustin Schlatter continued his stellar freshman season with a 15-0 technical fall against 15th-ranked Darren McKnight at 149 pounds. Schlatter recorded his team-best 10th technical fall on the year as he improved to 34-1 on the season. C.P. Schlatter followed with a pin of Tony Greathouse in just 1.46 at 157 pounds. Not to be outdone, Matt Nagel needed just 1:22 to record a fall against Brian Harney at 165 pounds. The upset of the day occurred at 174 pounds as 14th-ranked Gabriel Dretsch defeated fifth-ranked R.J. Boudro, 3-1. A former four-time state champion out of LaPeer, Mich., Roger Kish recorded a 16-5 major decision against Joe Williams at 184 pounds. Despite giving up nearly 17 pounds, sophomore Mitch Kuhlman closed out the dual with a 5-4 decision against Jeff Clemens at 197.

**SEASON REVIEW**

The Wolverines’ dominant victory over the Golden Gophers extended their unbeaten run to 17 matches and left them in a four-way tie for first place in the Big Ten with Penn State, Iowa and Minnesota at 16-0. Michigan State needed a third win at Wisconsin to break the tie. Instead, the Wolverines’ triumph over the visiting Golden Gophers-both ranked in the top 10-included 14 major decisions, 10 technical falls, 11 pins and three technical losses.

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7. Daniel Thompson (The Citadel)
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2006 — 149 lbs.

COLE KONRAD
2006 — Hwt.

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2003 — 197 lbs.
2004 — 197 lbs.

JARED LAWRENCE
2002 — 149 lbs.

LUKE BECKER
2002 — 157 lbs.

BROCK LESNAR
2000 — Hwt.

TIM HARTUNG
1999 — 197 lbs.
1998 — 190 lbs.

MARTY MORGAN
1991 — 177 lbs.

PAT NEU
1977 — 134 lbs.

EVAN JOHNSON
1976 — 190 lbs.

DICK MUELLER
1953 — 123 lbs.

VERNE GAGNE
1949 — Hwt.
1948 — 191 lbs.

LEONARD LEVY
1941 — Hwt.

DALE HANSON
1939 — 128 lbs.

JOHN WHITAKER
1937 — 175 lbs.

YEAR NAME WEIGHT
1937  John Whitaker 175
1938  University Park, Pa. 10th
1940  Champaign, Ill. 7th
1941  Bethlehem, Pa. 3rd
1947  Champaign, Ill. 1st
1949  Fort Collins, Colo. 7th
1949  Bethlehem, Pa. 3rd
1950  College Park, Md. 10th
1956  Oklahoma City, Okla. 7th
1957  Pittsburgh, Pa. 10th
1958  University Park, Pa. 8th
1959  Iowa City, Iowa 1st
1960  Ames, Iowa 7th
1961  Norman, Okla. 4th
1962  Tucson, Ariz. 7th
1963  Kent, Ohio 10th
1966  Iowa City, Iowa T9th
1967  Pittsburgh, Pa. T10th
1968  University Park, Pa. 7th
1969  Fort Collins, Colo. 5th
1970  Bethlehem, Pa. 7th
1971  Champaign, Ill. T10th
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1973  Champaign, Ill. T7th
1974  Lancaster, Pa. T4th
1975  University Park, Pa. 6th
1976  Terre Haute, Ind. T3rd

Brock Lesnar, 2000 NCAA Champion, Heavyweight

NCAA INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS

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2006  Dustin Schlatter 149
2004  Damion Hahn 197
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NCAA TOP 10 TEAM FINISHES

YEAR LOCATION FINISH
2006 Oklahoma City, Okla. 2nd
2005 St. Louis, Mo. 5th
2004 St. Louis, Mo. 8th
2003 Kansas City, Mo. 2nd
2002 Albany, N.Y. 1st
2001 Iowa City, Iowa 1st
2000 St. Louis, Mo. 3rd
1999 University Park, Pa. 2nd
1998 Cleveland, Ohio 2nd
1997 Cedar Falls, Iowa 3rd
1993 Ames, Iowa 6th
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1989 Oklahoma City, Okla. 7th
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1937 Terre Haute, Ind. T3rd
Chad Kraft became Minnesota’s first four-time All-American after placing fifth at the 1999 NCAA Championships.

TROY MARR
1999: 149 (7th)
1999: Hwt (2nd)

BROOK LEGNAR
1999: Hwt (2nd)
2000: Hwt (1st)

LEROY VEGA
1999: 125 (5th)
2000: 125 (5th)
2001: 125 (3rd)

LUKE BECKER
2000: 157 (8th)
2001: 157 (4th)
2002: 157 (1st)
2003: 157 (4th)

JARED LAWRENCE
2000: 149 (6th)
2001: 149 (6th)
2002: 149 (1st)
2003: 149 (2nd)

BRAD PAKE
2000: 165 (7th)
2001: 165 (4th)

BRETT LAWRENCE
2001: 133 (8th)

JACOB VOLKMAN
2001: 174 (4th)
2003: 165 (3rd)
2004: 165 (4th)

COLE KONRAD
2004: Hwt (4th)
2005: Hwt (2nd)
2006: Hwt (1st)

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ROGER KISH
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- From 1922-25, team champions were determined by dual meet record.
- In 1934, the Big Ten Conference began using a point system to determine the conference champion.
- No NCAA meet was held from 1943-1945 due to World War II.
1933-34 (2-3-0, 1-1-0 BIG TEN)
L 10-28 Iowa State
W 28-0 Wisconsin
L 15-21 Iowa
L 11-19 Northern Iowa
W 16-14 Cornell College

1934-35 (3-6-0, 1-1-0 BIG TEN)
W 33-0 Carleton
L 13-18 Cornell College
W 16-14 Northern Iowa
L 7.5-21.5 Iowa
L 14-16 at Nebraska
W 30-3 Wisconsin

1935-36 (6-2-0, 1-2-0 BIG TEN)
W 40-0 Carleton
W 39-3 Carleton
W 32-0 Nebraska
W 22-10 Chicago
W 18-12 Northern Iowa
L 11-21 at Iowa
W 25-3 Wisconsin
L 3-23 Illinois

1936-37 (8-1-0, 2-1-0 BIG TEN)
W 34-0 Carleton
W 34-0 North Dakota
W 38-0 Carleton
W 20.5-9.5 Northern Iowa
W 19-9 Nebraska
W 17-11 Iowa State
W 29.5-6.5 Wisconsin
W 24-3 Iowa
L 8-18 Illinois

1937-38 (5-2-1, 3-0-0 BIG TEN)
L 9-19 at Iowa State
L 12.5-15.5 Northern Iowa
W 30-0 at Nebraska
T 12-12 Kansas State
W 18.5-9.5 Wisconsin
W 19-9 Iowa
T 33-5 Iowa
W 29.5-6.5 Wisconsin
W 24-3 Iowa
L 8-18 Illinois

1938-39 (6-1-0, 4-0-0 BIG TEN)
W 17-11 Kansas State
W 30-0 Carleton
L 9-19 at Iowa State
W 17-11 Northern Iowa
W 36-0 Carleton
W 25-5 Iowa
W 20-6 Nebraska

1939-40 (8-1-0, 2-0-0 BIG TEN)
W 38-0 Carleton
W 29-3 Iowa State
W 19-9 at Iowa
L 15.5-16.5 Kansas State
W 21.5-14.5 Nebraska
W 18.14 Northern Iowa
W 31-5 Carleton
W 26-6 Wisconsin
W 27-5 Cornell College

1940-41 (6-1-1, 2-0-0 BIG TEN)
W 18-9 Kansas State
W 20-6 Cornell College
W 20-3 Wisconsin
W 23-4 Iowa
W 24-8 Nebraska
W 16-13 Iowa State
L 6-18 Oklahoma State
T 12-12 Northern Iowa

1941-42 (8-2-0, 1-1-0 BIG TEN)
W 17-11 Cornell College
W 32-0 Wheaton
W 16-13 Iowa State
W 20.5-7.5 Iowa
L 8-18 at Iowa
L 0-28 Oklahoma State
L 17-9 Kansas State
W 20-7.5 Dubuque
W 17-11 Northern Iowa

1942-43 (4-5-0, 0-2-0 BIG TEN)
W 21-11 Carleton
L 3-27 Northern Iowa
W 19-11 Iowa Pre-Fight
L 11-19 Cornell College
W 31-5 Macalaster
L 8-17 Wisconsin
L 14-1 Iowa
W 19-1 Carleton
L 3-29 at Iowa State

1943-44 (3-2-0, 2-1-0 BIG TEN)
W 23-9 Fort Snelling
W 19-11 Wisconsin
L 3-25 at Michigan
W 19-11 at Wisconsin
L 5-22 Iowa Pre-Fight
W 31-5 Macalaster
L 14-1 Iowa
W 21-9 at Iowa State
W 36-0 Wisconsin
W 21-9 at Iowa
T 14-14 Michigan

1944-45 (3-1-2, 3-1-1 BIG TEN)
W 25-14 Wisconsin
L 13-15 Indiana
T 14-14 Iowa Pre-Fight
W 36-0 Wisconsin
W 21-9 at Iowa
T 14-14 Michigan

1945-46 (2-3-2, 1-2-1 BIG TEN)
L 5-29 Northern Iowa
L 28-0 Nebraska
T 12-12 Purdue
L 8-23 Michigan State
T 14-14 Iowa State
W 23-3 Wisconsin
L 13-15 Iowa

1946-47 (4-7-1, 0-3-1 BIG TEN)
Jan. 11 W 34-0 Carleton
Jan. 18 L 9-19 at Iowa State
Jan. 25 L 6-20 Purdue
Jan. 25 L 9-19 Ohio State
Feb 1 W 16-14 at Colorado
Feb 1 L 14-16 at Northern Colorado
Feb 3 L 12-14 Nebraska
Feb 8 T 12-12 Wisconsin
Feb 14 W 25-2 Carleton
Feb 15 W 14-12 Kansas State
Feb 17 L 3-27 Northern Iowa
Feb 22 L 19-9 Iowa
Big Nine Championships - 4th (16 pts.)

1947-48 (4-4-1, 2-2 BIG TEN)
Jan. 19 W 36-0 Carleton
Jan. 24 T 14-14 at Iowa State
Jan. 31 L 6-21 Ohio State
Jan. 31 L 10-21 Michigan
Feb 7 W 14-12 Nebraska
Feb 9 L 10.5-27.5 Northern Iowa
Feb 13 L 13-14 Kansas State
Feb 24 W 27-4 Carleton
Feb 25 W 14-15 Iowa
Big Nine Championships - 5th (19 pts.)

1948-49 (11-3-0, 3-2-0 BIG TEN)
W 29-5 Carleton
Jan. 13 W 15-11 Colorado State
W 22-6 at Colorado
Jan. 14 W 22-6 at Denver
W 19-8 Nebraska
W 16-14 Iowa State
W 18-11 Ohio State
L 11-16 Purdue
L 12-18 Illinois
W 15-11 at Northern Colorado
Feb. 12 W 19-8 Wisconsin
W 22-8 Kansas State
W 20-5 Carleton
L 12-14 Northern Iowa
W 14-13 Iowa

Western Conference Championships - 2nd (18 pts.)

1949-50 (6-0-0, 1-4-0 BIG TEN)
Jan. 14 W 34-0 Carleton
Jan. 21 W 19-11 at Northwestern
Jan. 21 W 15-7 Ohio State*
Jan. 23 W 25-6 at Iowa State

1950-51 (6-5-0, 3-3-0 BIG TEN)
Jan. 13 W 26-7 Carleton
Jan. 20 W 26-4 at Northwestern
Jan. 20 L 8-21 Iowa State*
Jan. 22 L 14-16 Iowa State
Jan. 27 L 22-5 South Dakota State
Feb. 3 L 3-25 Illinois
Feb. 10 W 22-8 Indiana
Feb. 13 W 27-2 at Carleton
Feb. 16 L 11-17 Iowa State, Teachers
Feb. 17 L 11-16 at Iowa
Feb. 24 W 17-9 Wisconsin
Big Ten Tournament - 7th *at Evanston, Illinois

1951-52 (3-5-0, 3-1-0 BIG TEN)
Jan. 14 W 33-0 Carleton
Jan. 19 W 15-9 at Northwestern
Jan. 19 L 8-19 Ohio State*
Jan. 26 L 11-21 at Northwestern
Feb. 4 W 29-5 South Dakota State
Jan. 11 L 8-19 Iowa State, Teachers
Feb. 23 W 14-12 at Wisconsin
Mar. 1 W 15-9 Iowa
Big Ten Tournament - 9th (14 pts.) *at Northwestern

1952-53 (10-2-0)

1953-54 (6-6-1)

1954-55 (3-7-1)

All-Time Results

Note: From 1910 to 1916, the wrestling team did not have any dual meets but did participate in the conference championships.

1910-1911: Western Conference Champs
1912-1913: Western Conference Champs
1913-1914: Big Ten Co-Champions
1917-1918: No varsity competition
1919-1920: No varsity competition
1921-1922: Western Conference Champs
1922-1923: Big Ten Co-Champions
1924-1925: No varsity competition
1926-1927: Big Ten Co-Champions
1929-1930: Big Ten Co-Champions
1935-1936: Big Ten Co-Champions
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1954-1955: Big Ten Co-Champions

Western Conference Championships - 2nd (18 pts.)
Big Ten Tournament - 3rd (15 pts.)
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Big Ten Tournament - 3rd (15 pts.)
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## Verdict

The University of Minnesota Wrestling 2006-07 team had a successful season with notable achievements in various events such as NCAA Championships, Big Ten Tournaments, and Quad Meets. The team's performance across different locations and opponents is evident, showcasing their strength and competitiveness. The season highlights include significant victories over major opponents, making it a remarkable year for the team. The data reflects a strong showing in both dual matches and conference tournaments, solidifying their status as a top-tier team in wrestling. The year 2006-07 was indeed a record-breaking season for the University of Minnesota Wrestling team, exemplifying their dedication and skill in the sport.
Dec. 25 L 23-10 North Dakota State
Feb. 10 L 14-19 Iowa
Jan. 19 L 17-14 Wisconsin
Jan. 15 L 11-21 New Mexico
Jan. 10 L 30-9 Missouri
Jan. 21 W 26-13 at Arizona State
Jan. 16 L 18-23 Michigan State
Jan. 16 W 29-19 Purdue
Jan. 16 W 29-8 Western Illinois
Dec. 28 W 38-5 at Illinois
Feb. 15 W 35-19 Illinois
Feb. 14 W 34-9 Northwestern
Feb. 11 W 25-13 at Indiana
Feb. 11 W 25-13 at Indiana
Feb. 10 W 24-12 at Ohio State
Feb. 7 W 25-13 Drake
Feb. 6 W 24-13 Drake
Feb. 2 L 22-19 at Minnesota
Feb. 1 W 19-19 Tennessee
Feb. 14 W 19-19 at Illinois
Feb. 11 W 13-23 at Michigan State
Jan. 28 L 14-24 at Nebraska
Jan. 24 L 13-23 at Iowa State
Jan. 18 L 12-21 Indiana
Jan. 10 L 27-5 Missouri
Jan. 8 L 16-20 at Wisconsin
Jan. 5 W 27-10 Indiana
Jan. 1 W 25-13 at Nebraska
Dec. 30 W 32-6 at Iowa
Dec. 29 W 30-13 at Nebraska
Dec. 23 W 25-13 at Iowa
Dec. 20 W 18-25 Ohio State
Dec. 13 W 20-29 North Carolina
Dec. 11 W 23-16 Hawaii
Dec. 9 L 28-29 at Michigan
Dec. 4 L 12-17 Wisconsin
Dec. 2 L 16-20 at Nebraska
Dec. 2 W 22-15 Michigan State
Dec. 1 W 21-19 at Ohio State
Nov. 29 W 22-15 at Nebraska
Nov. 28 W 22-15 at Nebraska
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**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WRESTLING 2006-07**

**ALL-TIME RESULTS**

**1983-84 (10-9, 6-0 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 15 W 27-13 Northwestern
- Dec. 15 L 30-10 Indiana
- Dec. 15 W 23-10 Illinois
- Dec. 16 W 28-17 Illinois
- Dec. 16 W 29-17 Iowa
- Dec. 27 W 19-16 Iowa
- Jan. 3 L 20-27 Minnesota
- Jan. 5 W 30-17 Minnesota
- Jan. 8 L 27-21 Pennsylvania
- Jan. 12 W 29-17 Minnesota
- Jan. 19 W 26-9 Illinois
- Jan. 26 W 25-2 Iowa
- Feb. 1 L 6-9 at Michigan
- Feb. 7 W 42-6 Indiana
- Feb. 9 L 33-12 Illinois
- Feb. 12 W 28-9 at Illinois
- Feb. 16 W 44-2 Maryland
- Feb. 23 W 24-18 Purdue
- NCAA Championships - 3rd (47.75 pts.)

**1984-85 (10-0, 8-0 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 7 W 22-9 Michigan
- Dec. 7 L 28-27 at Michigan
- Dec. 7 W 23-18 Appalachian
- Dec. 8 W 27-25 Illinois
- Dec. 8 W 30-8 Illinois
- Dec. 21 W 26-24 Michigan State
- Jan. 16 W 17-10 at Indiana
- Jan. 18 W 38-3 at Illinois
- Jan. 25 L 27-35 at Northwestern
- Feb. 1 W 13-9 at Michigan
- Feb. 2 L 14-22 at Michigan State
- Feb. 10 L 2-39 Iowa
- Feb. 16 W 25-7 at Iowa
- Feb. 23 L 18-26 Iowa
- NCAA Championships - 7th (47.75 pts.)

**1985-86 (16-7-0, 4-4 BIG TEN)**
- Feb. 19 W 24-16 Ohio State
- Feb. 22 W 31-16 UW-River Falls
- NCAA Championships - 7th (47.75 pts.)

**1986-87 (7-14-0, 4-0 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 2 L 19-18 at Illinois
- Dec. 3 L 26-11 at Brigham Young
- Dec. 14 W 22-19 at North Dakota State
- Dec. 17 W 33-9 at Nebraska
- Jan. 3 L 24-19 at Purdue
- Jan. 9 W 27-17 at Minnesota
- Jan. 11 L 21-11 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 18 L 6-9 at Minnesota
- Jan. 24 L 19-17 Michigan
- Jan. 25 W 31-9 at Minnesota
- Jan. 30 L 13-20 at Wisconsin
- Feb. 4 L 19-19 at Purdue
- NCAA Championships - 3rd (47.75 pts.)

**1987-88 (15-6-0, 5-3 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 4 W 27-11 at North Carolina State
- Dec. 4 W 46-3 at The Citadel
- Dec. 5 W 30-7 at Clemson
- Dec. 5 L 18-20 at North Carolina
- Dec. 9 L 29-1 at N. Illinois
- Dec. 9 L 14-21 at Floridain
- Dec. 9 L 55-15 at Bloomington
- Dec. 9 W 21-17 at Wisconsin
- Dec. 9 L 23-17 at Illinois
- Jan. 3 W 25-17 at Illinois
- Jan. 8 W 22-17 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 8 W 23-17 at North Carolina State
- Jan. 15 W 21-15 at Northwestern
- Jan. 16 W 30-12 at North Dakota
- Jan. 17 W 20-19 at Nebraska
- Jan. 21 W 11-26 at Iowa
- Jan. 21 W 21-13 at Wisconsin
- Feb. 4 L 17-21 Michigan
- Feb. 6 W 35-9 Michigan State
- Feb. 12 W 24-12 at Purdue
- Feb. 21 W 9-29 at Ohio University
- Feb. 21 W 25-16 at Ohio State
- Big Ten Tournament - 6th (58 pts.)

**1988-89 (11-9-0, 4-3 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 17 W 29-10 at Cal-State-Fullerton
- Dec. 17 W 37-9 at Fresno State
- Jan. 6 W 18-15 at N. Carolina State
- Jan. 6 L 13-27 at Penn State
- Jan. 12 L 9-35 at Lock Haven
- Jan. 13 W 22-12 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 14 L 18-22 at Northwestern
- Jan. 22 W 17-22 at Iowa
- Jan. 24 W 9-0 at Markate State
- Jan. 27 W 21-13 Northwestern
- Jan. 27 L 13-26 Iowa
- Jan. 27 L 20-20 at Minnesota
- Feb. 6 W 25-14 at Michigan
- Feb. 12 W 24-13 at Illinois
- Feb. 17 W 21-11 at Minnesota
- NCAA Championships - 4th (37 pts.)

**1989-90 (10-6-0, 2-3 BIG TEN)**
- Nov. 29 L 15-23 at Northern Iowa
- Dec. 2 W 53-0 at North Dakota
- Dec. 12 W 26-10 at Brigham Young
- Dec. 12 W 32-9 at Portland State
- Dec. 13 L 20-13 at Boise State
- Jan. 3 W 20-16 Clayton
- Jan. 5 W 32-16 at Nebraska
- Jan. 8 W 44-4 James
- Jan. 8 W 32-14 at Bloomings
- Jan. 13 W 31-9 at Cal-State-Fullerton
- Jan. 19 L 29-14 Northwestern
- Jan. 19 W 28-14 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 24 L 24-16 at Iowa
- Jan. 29 L 9-3 at Eastern Michigan
- NCAA Championships - 10th (42.25 pts.)

**1992-93 (21-3-1, 6-1 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 13 W 29-6 at Florida State
- Dec. 13 W 9-3 at Iowa
- Dec. 13 W 21-14 at Fresno State
- Dec. 13 W 24-10 at Cal State Bakersfield
- Jan. 8 W 40-0 at Virginia Military
- Jan. 12 W 30-3 at Oklahoma
- Jan. 9 W 21-12 at Oklahoma
- Jan. 9 W 24-12 at Northern Iowa
- Jan. 16 W 30-9 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 17 L 23-21 at Indiana
- Jan. 17 W 35-9 Drake
- Jan. 23 W 35-9 Illinois
- Jan. 23 T 18-18 at Northwestern
- Jan. 30 L 30-21 at Ohio State
- Feb. 2 L 9-22 at Illinois
- Feb. 7 W 27-16 at Northern Iowa
- Feb. 7 W 46-5 Northern Illinois
- Feb. 11 W 39-6 at Wyoming
- Feb. 13 W 40-10 at Carcross-Newman
- Feb. 13 W 41-9 at Central Michigan
- Feb. 13 W 26-10 at Michigan State
- Feb. 17 W 23-13 at Nebraska
- Feb. 19 W 26-10 at Northern Illinois
- Feb. 21 L 14-22 at Ohio State
- Feb. 21 W 27-9 Purdue
- NCAA Championships - 4th (40 pts.)

**1993-94 (20-2-0, 10-0 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 12 W 48-0 at UC Davis
- Dec. 12 W 36-9 at San Francisco State
- Dec. 12 W 40-0 at Colorado State
- Dec. 27 W 29-0 at Cal State Bakersfield
- Jan. 9 W 28-18 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 17 W 35-12 at Morgan State
- Jan. 21 L 27-9 Cornell
- Jan. 18 W 41-3 Wisconsin
- Jan. 28 W 29-8 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 28 W 22-11 at Michigan
- Jan. 28 W 23-12 Purdue
- Jan. 23 W 19-11 Indiana
- Jan. 28 W 23-11 Iowa
- Jan. 27 W 24-10 at Nebraska
- Feb. 5 W 23-16 at Ohio State
- NCAA Championships - 3rd (22.5 pts.)

**1994-95 (15-1-0, 8-1 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 1 L 30-9 at Northern Illinois
- Dec. 11 W 45-4 at Northern Colorado
- Dec. 11 W 30-12 at Nebraska
- Dec. 11 W 25-9 at North Dakota
- Jan. 19 W 13-9 at Purdue
- Jan. 19 W 25-14 at Nebraska
- Feb. 19 W 17-8 at Ohio State
- Feb. 22 L 17-9 at Penn State
- NCAA Championships - 2nd (42.25 pts.)
- NCAA Championships - 3rd (22.5 pts.)

**1995-96 (10-8-1, 3-5 BIG TEN)**
- Dec. 1 W 29-6 at Wisconsin
- Dec. 10 T 18-18 at Michigan State
- Dec. 20 W 7-3 at Illinois
- Dec. 10 W 17-6 at Cal State Bakersfield
- Jan. 5 W 43-9 at North Dakota
- Jan. 9 L 27-20 at Nebraska
- Jan. 12 W 9-2 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 12 W 34-9 at Wisconsin
- Jan. 13 W 21-6 Kentucky
- Jan. 20 W 9-5 at Minnesota
- Jan. 12 W 20-18 at Illinois
- NCAA Championships - 12th (34.5 pts.)
Minnesota won the 1999 Big Ten Championship, the school’s first in 40 years.

NCAA Championships - 1st (126.5 pts.)
* National Duals (Columbus, Ohio)

2000-01 (19-1-0, 9-0-0 BIG TEN)
Nov. 18 W 4-4-0 at North Dakota State
Dec. 26 W 36-3 Northern Iowa
Dec. 27 W 10-7 at Northern Illinois
Jan. 23 L 20-24 at Illinois State
Feb. 10 W 21-16 at Illinois State
Feb. 10 W 20-18 at Central Michigan
Feb. 23 W 25-17 Indiana

Big Ten Tournament - 1st (154 pts.)
NCAA Championships - 1st (138.5 pts.)
* National Duals (University Park, Pa.)

2001-02 (19-0-0, 8-0-0 BIG TEN)
Nov. 19 W 51-0 St. Cloud State
Nov. 28 W 28-9 Hofstra
Dec. 10 W 27-6 at Northern Iowa
Dec. 12 W 48-0 Portland State
Jan. 7 W 29-13 Nebraska
Jan. 9 W 19-15 at Ohio State
Jan. 14 W 29-9 at Penn State
Jan. 15 W 31-12 at Ohio State
Jan. 22 W 41-0 Montana St. Northern
Jan. 22 W 28-6 Cornell
Jan. 23 L 16-17 Iowa State*
Jan. 28 W 32-6 Wisconsin
Jan. 29 W 35-0 Indiana
Feb. 11 W 32-6 at Michigan
Feb. 13 W 25-9 at Michigan
Feb. 18 W 35-8 Northwestern
Feb. 20 L 12-30 Iowa

Big Ten Tournament - 2nd (116.5 pts.)
NCAA Championships - 3rd (71 pts.)
* National Duals (Columbus, Ohio)

1998-99 (18-2-4, 9-0-0 BIG TEN)
Nov. 14 W 7-5 at North Dakota State
Nov. 19 W 17-21 Illinois
Dec. 3 W 45-0 at Minn. St, Mankato
Dec. 13 W 26-12 at Oregon State
Dec. 13 W 37-6 at Portland State
Dec. 16 W 48-0 Augsburg*
Jan. 16 W 25-9 Central Michigan*
Jan. 17 W 21-14 Iowa*
Jan. 17 L 17-20 Ohio State*
Jan. 22 W 23-17 Maryland
Jan. 24 W 27-10 Michigan
Jan. 30 W 19-17 at Iowa
Jan. 31 W 36-7 at Wisconsin
Feb. 5 W 30-6 Illinois
Feb. 7 W 32-6 Ohio State
Feb. 12 W 38-3 St. Cloud State
Feb. 12 W 33-6 Northern Iowa
Feb. 14 W 22-9 at Nebraska
Feb. 19 W 36-2 at Purdue
Feb. 21 W 25-15 at Northwestern

Big Ten Tournament - 1st (139 pts.)
NCAA Championships - 2nd (98.5 pts.)
* National Duals (Iowa City, Iowa)

1999-2000 (17-2-0, 7-1-0 BIG TEN)
Nov. 19 W 33-2 at North Dakota State

Minnesota won its first national title in 2000-01. All 10 Golden Gophers earned All-America status.
Gopher Olympians

Michial Foy (top), Brandon Paulson (middle), Garrett Lowney (bottom)

ALAN RICE
1956 U.S. Olympian

DAN CHANDLER
1976, '80, '84 U.S. Olympian

EVAN JOHNSON
1976 U.S. Olympian

JIM MARTINEZ
1984 U.S. Olympian
Bronze Medalist

GORDY MORGAN
1996 U.S. Olympian
Ninth-Place Finisher

BRANDON PAULSON
1996 U.S. Olympian
Silver Medalist

MICHAEL FOY
1988, '92 U.S. Olympian

GARRETT LOWNEY
2000 U.S. Olympian
Bronze Medalist
2004 U.S. Olympian

DAVE ZUNIGA
1996 U.S. Olympian
10th-Place Finisher

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University of Minnesota athletes and alumni have had a great tradition of freestyle and Greco-Roman wrestling experience, especially the latter. Many individuals have excelled to the highest level, the Olympics, in Greco-Roman competition. After three Minnesota alumni made the 1996 Olympic team in Greco-Roman: Brandon Paulson, Dave Zuniga and Gordy Morgan, the next generation of Golden Gophers has made its impact at the FILA Junior Freestyle and Greco-Roman Nationals. The 1996 team, wrestling under Minnesota Storm (Minnesota’s club team), collected both national titles, freestyle and Greco-Roman. The foundation for the up-and-coming freestyle and Greco-Roman programs was beginning to be built.

The past 10 years have seen the Golden Gophers continue to thrive in both freestyle and Greco-Roman.

1997 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE (2ND PLACE)
Ryan Lewis (2nd)
Luke Becker (4th)
Brad Pike (7th)
Damion Hahn (4th)

1997 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN (2ND PLACE)
Ryan Lewis (3rd)
Leroy Vega (5th)
Brett Lawrence (3rd)
Jared Lawrence (5th)
Josh Krebs (3rd)
Mitch Marr (5th)

1997 U.S. OPEN NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Willy Short (4th)

1997 U.S. OPEN NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Mitch Marr (5th)
Josh Krebs (3rd)
Jared Lawrence (5th)
Brett Lawrence (3rd)
Leroy Vega (5th)
Ryan Lewis (3rd)

1997 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN (2ND PLACE)
Damion Hahn (4th)
Brad Pike (7th)
Luke Becker (4th)
Ryan Lewis (2nd)

1997 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Brent Boeshans (2nd)
Delaney Berger (6th)
Tim Kinsella (5th)
Mike Cuperus (1st)

1997 UNIVERSITY NATIONALS FREESTYLE
David Zuniga

1997 UNIVERSITY NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Bart Golyer (7th)

1998 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Mike Flanagan (4th)
Shelton Benjamin (8th)
Garrett Lowney (1st)
Ken Howard (3rd)

1998 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN (1ST PLACE)
Desmond Radunz (8th)
Jacob Volkmann (6th)
Leroy Vega (3rd)

1998 UNIVERSITY NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Bart Golyer (7th)

1998 UNIVERSITY NATIONALS FREESTYLE
David Zuniga

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Brent Boeshans (2nd)
Delaney Berger (6th)
Tim Kinsella (5th)
Mike Cuperus (1st)

1999 UNIVERSITY NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Jason Klohs (1st)
Jared Lawrence (1st)
Matt Kraft (7th)

1999 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Jared Lawrence (1st)
Damion Hahn (1st)
Luke Becker (3rd)
Jacob Volkmann (6th)
Desmond Radunz (8th)

1999 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Tyler Marr (2nd)
Drew Hageman (3rd)
Desmond Radunz (4th)
Josh McLay (5th)
Mike Flanagan (6th)
Eli Ross (6th)
Jacob Volkmann (8th)

2000 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Tim Hartung (4th)

2000 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Garrett Lowney (2nd)
Jason Klohs (3rd)
Billy Pierce (5th)

2000 FILA JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
Garrett Lowney (3rd)

2000 U.S. OPEN NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Tim Hartung (7th)

2000 U.S. OPEN NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Garrett Lowney (2nd)
Jason Klohs (3rd)

2001 WORLD TEAM TRIALS FREESTYLE
Brandon Eggum (2nd)
Garrett Lowney (2nd)
Brent Boeshans (7th)

2001 WORLD TEAM TRIALS GRECO-ROMAN
Garrett Lowney (1st)
Brent Paulson (1st)

2001 U.S. NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Brandon Eggum (2nd)
Garrett Lowney (2nd)

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Garrett Lowney (1st)

2003 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2003 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Mike Flanagan (4th)

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Mike Flanagan (4th)

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Mike Flanagan (4th)

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Mike Flanagan (4th)

2006 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2006 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2007 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2007 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2008 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2008 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2009 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2009 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2010 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS FREESTYLE
Mike Flanagan (4th)

2010 FILA JUNIOR NATIONALS GRECO-ROMAN
Mike Flanagan (4th)
Brandon Paulson won the 2002 and ‘03 U.S. National Greco-Roman titles.

Jared Lawrence won the 2000 FILA Junior National title and took second at the 2005 U.S. Senior Nationals.
Gopher Wrestling History

In 94 seasons of intercollegiate competition, the University of Minnesota wrestling program has achieved a consistency that has launched it into the upper echelon of collegiate wrestling.

Golden Gopher teams have dominated on the national scene, winning more than 66 percent of their matches for an all-time record of 803-393-19. Minnesota ranks fifth in the nation in all-time dual meet wins.

The University of Minnesota wrestling program has reached an elite level under Head Coach J. Robinson. One of the most dominant teams in the country over the last 10 seasons, Minnesota is a perennial contender at the NCAA Championships. The Gophers have eight top-three NCAA team finishes since 1997, more than any other program in the country. Minnesota’s 57 All-Americans since 1997 are also tied for the most in the nation. The Gophers have crowned nine individual national champions in the last 10 years.

Minnesota has four All-Americans earn All-American honors a year ago, led by a pair of national champions. Cole Konrad finished the 2005-06 season with a perfect 41-0 record and won his first national title at heavyweight, earning All-American status for the third time in his career, and Dustin Schlatter became the first freshman in school history to win an individual national wrestling title.

In addition, Minnesota has dominated the Big Ten Conference in recent years. After snapping Iowa’s streak of 25 consecutive team titles in 1999, the Golden Gophers have been crowned Big Ten Champions five of the last eight years. Minnesota has placed first or second at Big Tens nine of the last 10 seasons. Minnesota wrestlers have won 25 individual conference titles since 1997, more than any other school in the conference.

Last season, Konrad became the fifth wrestler in school history to earn Big Ten Wrestler of the Year honors. Dustin Schlatter was also the second straight Gopher to earn the Big Ten’s Freshman of the Year, following Mack Reiter, who captured the award in 2005. Robinson was named the Big Ten Coach of the Year for the sixth time in his career.

Minnesota’s success has been the result of recruiting some of the top talent in the nation. The Gophers introduced the nation’s top-ranked recruiting class in 2004-05 highlighted by Reiter, the first blue-chip recruit out of Iowa to ever sign with Minnesota. Robinson has inked the top recruiting class in the nation seven times during his tenure.

Konrad has continued Minnesota’s recent domination of the heavyweight division, following the likes of Garrett Lowney, Brock Lesnar, and Shelton Benjamin. He enters his senior season looking to win his second straight NCAA title. Three years ago, Damion Hahn became the school’s third two-time NCAA Champion as he won his second-straight crown in dominating fashion. He was also a three-time Big Ten Champion.

In 2002-03, Minnesota earned its seventh straight top three finish at the NCAA Championships with a runner-up showing. The Golden Gophers had six All-Americans, including Hahn, who won his first national title. The Golden Gophers finished the year with a 17-5 record, including a 7-1 mark in the Big Ten. Their league mark pushed their conference record to 40-2 over the previous five-year period.

In 2001-02, Minnesota won its second-straight national crown to put a cap on a season which set records and provided proof that the 2001 NCAA title was no fluke. Prior to the national tournament, the Golden Gophers stormed through the regular season, posting the first undefeated season in the history of the program. The Maroon and Gold went 19-0 in dual meets and won team titles at the National Duals and Big Ten Championships.

At the NCAA Championships, the Golden Gophers scored 126.5 points with five All-Americans, including individual titles from Jared Lawrence and Luke Becker.

Minnesota finished atop the nation in collegiate wrestling for the first time in school history in 2001-02, capturing the NCAA Championship in record-breaking fashion. The Golden Gophers scored 138.5 points with an NCAA-record 10 All-Americans. In addition, the Maroon and Gold grapplers captured the national crown without a single wrestler in a title match, a first for the NCAA meet. It truly was a remarkable and unforgettable national tournament for the Gophers.


The numbers are equally impressive at the Big Ten Conference level. The Golden Gophers have won the conference team championship 11 times, including five of the last eight titles. Minnesota has placed in the top five at Big Ten 26 of the last 31 seasons. On the individual side, the Golden Gophers have won 81 individual championships, including four-time Big Ten champion Verne Gagne, who is one of only nine conference athletes in history to capture four crowns.

The Golden Gophers wasted no time in storming onto the wrestling scene when varsity competition began in Gold Country in 1910. Minnesota captured three conference titles between 1910 and 1916 when the team champion was determined in an open meet by the Western Intercollegiate Wrestling, Gymnastics and Fencing Association.

Varsity wrestling took a brief hiatus from 1917-1919, but the Golden Gophers returned with a vengeance in the 1920s. Steve Easter became Minnesota’s first Big Ten

Minnesota’s first NCAA Champion, John Whitaker (175 pounds) in 1937.
Tim Hartung was Minnesota’s second two-time NCAA champion, winning the 197-pound title in 1999 and the 190-pound crown in 1998.
The Golden Gopher wrestling program has not only found success on the mat but also with the recruitment of fans in the stands. One of the results of the increased popularity of wrestling at the University of Minnesota is the increased membership of the Golden Gopher Take Down Club. One of the largest booster clubs at the University of Minnesota, the Take Down Club currently has over 700 members and is shooting for a membership of over 1,000.

The Take Down Club has been a visible presence in recent years both at home and on the road. Included among their destinations this year are the Southern Scuffle in Greensboro, N.C., the National Duals in Cedar Falls, Iowa, and the Big Ten Championships in East Lansing, Mich. The Take Down Club also has approximately 350 rooms blocked in the Auburn Hills, Mich., area for the 2007 NCAA Championships and will be chartering a bus to Iowa for the Border Brawl in February. In addition, arrangements are already in the works for the 2008 and 2009 NCAA Championships, which will be held in St. Louis, Mo.

The Take Down Club was established in 1988 and has continued to grow each year since its inception. Providing a tremendous social environment for fans, the booster club has helped create and promote an exciting atmosphere around the Golden Gopher wrestling program. Every year, through booster memberships and merchandise sales, the booster club raises funds to continue to offer the best possible experience for one of the top programs in the nation. The money is used for Take Down Club social events, the biggest of which is the annual Verne Gagne Minnesota Wrestling Golf Classic each June. The Take Down Club is also responsible for gathering wrestling fans together from all over the state to attend pre-match and post-match victory socials.

In 1999, the Take Down Club stormed into Carver-Hawkeye Arena and cheered the Golden Gophers to their second victory over Iowa in its home arena at the National Duals. In 2000, the booster club made up a large portion of the school-record crowd of 13,128 for the Feb. 22 match against Iowa in Williams Arena.

Over 850 Minnesota fans traveled to the 2000 NCAA Championships in St. Louis, Mo., making their presence known throughout the arena. On the final day, Minnesota had a lot to cheer for as six Golden Gophers earned All-American honors. The booster club was at its loudest when heavyweight Brock Lesnar defeated arch-rival Wes Hand of Iowa to capture the title at heavyweight.

In 2000-01, the Take Down Club was as visible and as vocal as ever during the Maroon and Gold's run to the conference and national titles. Over 450 Golden Gopher faithful were present in Evanston, Ill., to witness Minnesota's convincing team triumph at the Big Ten Championships. Two weeks later, over 850 Maroon and Gold fans ventured south from Gold Country into the lion's den of Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City, Iowa for the NCAA Championships. Many times during the tournament, the cheers of the members of the Take Down Club drowned out the sounds of the hometown Iowa crowd. Few Golden Gopher fans can forget the chants of “ten, ten, ten” by the Minnesota crowd in response to the Maroon and Gold's 10 All-Americans and 2001 NCAA crown.

In 2001-02, the Take Down Club made up a sizable portion of the crowd at the Border Brawl versus arch-rival Iowa at Target Center in Minneapolis. The meet drew 15,646 fans to set an NCAA attendance record for a collegiate wrestling dual meet.

In 2002-03, the Take Down Club was instrumental in bringing over 12,000 fans to watch Iowa and Minnesota wrestle for the first time at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul.

No matter where or when the Golden Gopher wrestling team is competing, the Take Down Club will be sure to be there in full force cheering its favorite team to victory. For more information about the Take Down Club, visit www.gophertakedown.club.com.
The University of Minnesota wrestling media guide was prepared to assist the media in their coverage of Golden Gopher wrestling. Requests for additional information should be directed to Tory Kukowski, Athletic Communications Intern, University of Minnesota, 516 15th Ave. SE, 244 Biemar Field Athletic Building, Minneapolis, MN 55455. (612) 625-4090.

Media Credentials
Requests for working media credentials (newspaper, radio, TV, photo) for Minnesota home meets must be made in advance to Tory Kukowski. Delivery of credentials will be handled according to individual situations, but in most cases will not be mailed. Credentials can be picked up at the media pass gate at the Sports Pavilion.

Media Pass Gate
If you have your media credentials in advance, you can enter the Sports Pavilion through any entrance. If you have to pick up credentials, please proceed to the west lobby of the Sports Pavilion. You must have proper identification to receive your credentials. The media pass gate opens one hour prior to the start of the meet.

Photo and Film Credentials
Photographers and film crews may work only in the designated areas. Photographers are allowed on the floors of the competition building and locker rooms. Photographers are not allowed to be near the competition area or on the competition floor. Photographers are allowed on floors of the student seating section as well.

Meet Services
Pre-meet notes, cumulative statistics, media guides and game programs will be available prior to the start of each meet on Press Row. A bout sheet with updated starting line-ups will be distributed before the start of competition. Final results will be disseminated to the media after the meet. Results will be faxed or emailed to all media outlets at the conclusion of the meet. Please make fax arrangements with Athletic Communications personnel prior to the meet.

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In-Season Interviews
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