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Schedule

Tuesday, May 14

M & W Track at St. Thomas Invite

Friday, May 17

M & W Track at St. Olaf Invite

May 16-19

NCAA DIII National Softball Tournament

NCAA DIII Baseball Regionals

May 23-25

W Track at NCAA DIII Championships

at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn.

M Track at NCAA DIII Championships

at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn.

May 24-29

Baseball NCAA World Series, Appleton

UP THIS WEEK!!!

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

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FRESHMAN KAELA WOLD NAMED FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

MENOMONIE - Freshman outfielder **Kaela Wold (Altoona)** was the lone UW-Stout player named to the 2002 All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) softball team.

Senior second baseman **Sarah Kokke (Galesville)** and sophomore shortstop **Kim Caswell (Stanley)** were named to the honorable mention team.

Wold, who started 19 of the Blue Devils' 24 games, led Stout in batting average (.409, 27 hits in 66 at-bats), runs batted in (14), home runs (4), slugging percentage (.712, 47 total bases) and matched Caswell for doubles (8). Wold finished with 13 runs scored and had a fielding percentage of .909. Conference play did not deter the young Wold. Rather, she increased her percentages in conference games only, hitting at a .464 clip (13-of-28) with 11 RBI. She also smacked three home runs and three doubles in conference play.

Kokke was the Blue Devils' team captain and was also a clutch hitter this season, hitting .322 (19-of-59) with two doubles, two home runs and 12 RBI. She also stole three bases. Caswell hit .297 (22-of-74), but in particular liked conference pitching, averaging .382 (13-of-34) in league play. Overall, she had eight doubles, one home run and 12 RBI. She was second on the team in stolen bases with eight.

Stout finished the season at 9-16 overall, 3-9 in WIAC play and tied for fifth in the WIAC tournament.

WET WEATHER DOES NOT HAMPER LUER OR SCHACHTNER

MINNEAPOLIS - UW-Stout's **Jenney Luer (Sr, Colfax)** has never let a little damp weather crimp her style. Rather, she has excelled in it, but never as much as Saturday, May 11 when Luer completely destroyed her discus record on her way to a first place finish at the University of Minnesota Qualifier. Coming into the event with the top distance in NCAA Division III in the discus, Luer may have the put the event out of reach by tossing the plate 175-feet, 1-inch, in a constant drizzle, 16 feet over her previous best of 159-1. Her toss is an automatic distance in Division III and would be a provisional distance in Division I.

Not to be outdone, **Marci Schachtner (Fr, Deer Park)** snapped the school record in the hammer throw as she placed fifth behind four Division I competitors, tossing the ball on a wire in a provisional qualifying mark of 153-3, erasing Jen Turner's 1999 mark of 147-4.

Luer has qualified to the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships, May 23-25 at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn., in both the discus and the shot put.

Laura Verdegan (So, Tony) captured two first place finishes at the meet, jumping 17-9.50 in the long jump and 37-1 in the triple jump. Both are short of her season-bests.

MARCI SCHACHTNER IMPROVES DISTANCE IN HAMMER THROW

LA CROSSE - UW-Stout's **Marci Schachtner (Fr, Deer Park)** set a personal best in the hammer throw at the Leo Schnur Invitational, Friday, May 10 in La Crosse. Schachtner, who during the course of one week earlier in the season increased her distance by nearly 50 feet, placed sixth in the event, but threw the hammer 137-feet, 9-inches. Schachtner's previous best was 132-3, set last week at the conference meet. Her cousin, **Ann Schachtner (Fr, Somerset)**, placed second in the shot put with a throw of 40-0.75, her third best throw of the season. **Laura Verdegan (So, Tony)** was trying to improve her distance in the long jump and placed third (17-7.50) and fourth in the 400-hurdles (1:05.72). **Tracy Oostdyk (So, Spooner)** was ninth in the 3000-steeplechase (11:58.92, an NCAA Division III provisional qualifying time) and **Amy Arndt (Sr, Lakefield, Minn)** was 13th (12:42.38).

For up-to-date results and stats, check out the Blue Devil Athletic web site.

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD NAMES 2002 TEAM AWARDS

MENOMONIE - Jenney Luer (Sr, Colfax) and Laura Verdegan (So, Tony) was named as co-most valuable field performers while **Kate Werner (Fr, Elk Mound)** was named as the most valuable track performer, UW-Stout women's track & field coach Joe Harlan announced at the team's annual awards banquet, Sunday, May 12. Both Luer and Verdegan have rewritten their portion of the Blue Devils' record books and both have earned All-America status this year by placing third at the 2002 NCAA Division III Indoor Track & Field Championships. The two scored 12 points at the meet, placing Stout 11th, the highest ever finish for a Blue Devil women's team at the national meet. Both have qualified to the outdoor championships later this month. Luer has advanced in both the shot put and the discus, while Verdegan has secured a spot in the triple jump and is provisionally qualified in the long jump. Luer won the outdoor conference discus title, while Verdegan won the outdoor triple jump crown. Luer set the school record this year in the indoor shot put (46-8), the outdoor shot put (46-10) and the discus (175-1), while Verdegan set the school mark for the indoor triple jump (38-3.50) and tied the school record for the outdoor long jump (18-4.50). Verdegan set the outdoor triple jump mark last season.

Werner was having an outstanding indoor season as a sprinter until an injury put her out for the second half of the season and part of the outdoor season. Werner came back in mid-April to run individual and relay races for the Blue Devils.

Marci Schachtner (Fr, Deer Park) was named the team's most improved performer. Schachtner started the outdoor season off with a hammer throw of 80-feet. Her next time out, she tossed the appliance 131-7 and went on to set the school record with a toss of 153-3. Her lone throw in the indoor 20-lb weight throw (36-11.75) was the best toss for a Blue Devils this season.

Distance runner **Amy Arndt (Sr, Lakefield, Minn)** was named the most inspirational. Arndt, along with **Heidi Bedsted (Jr, Plainview, Minn)**, was honored as a 2002 team captain. Bedsted, **Amy Biegel (Jr, Eau Claire)** and Verdegan were named 2003 team captains.

2002 UW-Stout Women's Track & Field team awards

Most Valuable Field Performers: Jenney Luer (Sr, Colfax), Laura Verdegan (So, Tony); **Most Valuable Track Performer:** Kate Werner (Fr, Elk Mound); **Most Improved:** Marci Schachtner (Fr, Deer Park); **Most Inspirational:** Amy Arndt (Sr, Lakefield, Minn); **2002 Team Captains:** Heidi Bedsted (Jr, Plainview, Minn), Amy Arndt (Sr, Lakefield, Minn); **2003 Team Captains:** Heidi Bedsted (Jr, Plainview, Minn), Amy Biegel (Jr, Eau Claire), Laura Verdegan (So, Tony).

DAVE HANSON SETS SCHOOL RECORD, QUALIFIES TO NATIONALS

LA CROSSE - UW-Stout's **Dave Hanson (Jr, Sun Prairie)** set a school record in the 400-meter hurdles and pole vaulters **Jeff Rotering (Sr, Waumandee)** and **Lewis Cassellius (So, Glenwood City)** improved on their season bests with performances at the Leo Schurr Invitational, Friday, May 10 in La Crosse. Hanson placed second to UW-La Crosse nemesis, Derek Toshner, in the hurdles, clocking a time of 52.20 seconds, breaking the mark of 52.52 set by Dan Doucette in 1989. The time also automatically qualified Hanson for the NCAA Division III Track & Field Championships, May 23-25 in St. Paul, Minn. **Jeff Miller (Sr, St. Louis Park, Minn)** was 10th in the event (56.15).

Vaulters Rotering and Cassellius placed third and fifth, respectively, with season bests. Rotering improved his lot for the NCAA championships with a leap of 15-feet, 10-inches, while Cassellius topped the career-best he set last week by sailing 15-2.25. **Dave Huber (Sr, Mendota Heights, Minn)** placed second in the 10,000-meter run, improving his lot to advance to the NCAA championships with a time of 31:07.64. **Justin Zmyewski (Fr, Houston, Minn)** was fourth in the high jump with a collegiate-best of 6-3.50. **John Hanson (Sr, Grantsburg)** was eighth in the 800 (1:55.56). **Ryan Chernik (Fr, Pewaukee)** ran a 16:15.68 in the 5000-meter.

TASHA PASCH EARNS BLUE DEVIL GYMNASTICS MVP AWARD

MENOMONIE - Tasha Pasch (Jr, Northfield, Minn) was named as the 2001-02 UW-Stout gymnastics team most valuable performer, coach Jeff Richards announced at the team's award banquet, Sunday, May 12. Pasch made her third consecutive trip to the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association (NCGA) Championships, this time advancing on the uneven bars where she set a school record in the event with a score of 9.225. Pasch either holds individually or shares four of the five possible UW-Stout records. **Scarlett Ramey (Sr, Seattle, Wash)** was named most inspirational, **Jennie Rosinsky (So, Green Bay)** was named hardest working, **Mandy Neuman (Fr, St. Paul, Minn)** was named most consistent and **Jill Birschbach (Fr, Chilton)** was named most improved.

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2001-02 UW-Stout Gymnastics Letterwinners

Jill Birschbach, Fr, Chilton, Wis.; Mandy Neuman, Fr, St. Paul, Minn; Erika Opoien, Jr, Superior, Wis.; Tasha Pasch, Jr, Northfield, Minn.; Scarlett Ramey, Sr, Seattle, Wash; Jennie Rosinsky, So, Green Bay, Wis; Lacey Schroedl, Fr, Minneapolis, Minn.

VOLLEYBALL TEAM ANNOUNCES RECRUITING CLASS OF 2002

MENOMONIE - UW-Stout volleyball coach Jill Jolliff announced the names of her recruiting class for the year 2002. The Blue Devils, who compete in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC), finished with a 23-9 overall record and were tied for third in league play. Jolliff enters her 10th year as the Blue Devils' head coach. The class consists of 14 hitters, five setters and two defensive specialists. The class includes three transfers. Stout opens their season Aug. 30 at the UW-River Falls Tournament.

UW-Stout 2002 Volleyball Recruiting Class:

Name, Pos, Ht, Yr, Hometown (High School) - Larissa Bloom, DS, 5-7, Fr, Maplewood, Minn. (Roseville); Ashley Brant, H, 5-10, Fr, St. Michael, Minn. (St. Michael-Albertville); Melissa Halama, H, 5-7, Fr, Whitehall, Wis.; Tanya Harter, S, 5-5, Fr, Grantsburg, Wis.; Kari Voth, H, 5-9, Fr, Red Wing, Minn.; Kensey Gore, H, 5-8, Fr, River Falls, Wis.; Nicole Rademacher, H, 5-10, Fr, St. Michael, Minn. (St. Michael-Albertville); Kelly Downing, H, 5-9, Fr, Brown Deer, Wis.; Christina Steinmetz, H, 5-10, Fr, Boyd, Wis. (Stanley-Boyd); Rachel Linbo, S, 5-9, Fr, Stewartville, Minn.; Stefanie Santspre, H, 5-11, Fr, Oconto, Wis.; Jamie Koss, DS, 5-5, Fr, Chippewa Falls, Wis.; Jill Luken, H, 5-8, Fr, St. Paul, Minn. (Highland Park); Andrea Schutt, S, 5-6, Fr, Amboy, Minn. (Maple River); Erin Strausbauch, S, 5-6, Fr, Rochester, Minn. (Lourdes); Courtney Zafft, H, 5-9, Fr, Rochester, Minn. (Century); Stefanie Zeihen, H, 5-11, Fr, Bristol, Wis. (Westosha Central); Tanille Zenner, H, 5-10, Fr, Athens, Wis. **Transfers:** Jessica Brossard, H, 5-11, Jr, West Concord, Minn/Rochester CC; Erin Heger, S/DS, 5-6, So, Chaska, Minn./St. Benedict; Brooke Viegut, H, 5-9, Jr, Abbotsford, Wis./Western Illinois.

Baseball
Final Record: 18-20, 12-15

Date / Opponent / Time or Result

Mon., March 4 / University of Dubuque / W 4-0, W 6-5
 Sun., March 17 / at Missouri Southern Classic
 vs. Huron University, W 18-5
 at Pittsburg State, L 5-2
 Mon., March 18 / at Pittsburg State, W 5-2, L 6-1
 Tues., March 19 / at Evangel University, cancelled
 Wed., March 20 / at Missouri Southern / L 5-2
 Thurs., March 21 / at Missouri Southern Classic
 vs. UW-Superior, W 12-1
 vs. Missouri Southern, L 7-4
 Fri., March 22 / at Missouri Southern Classic
 vs. Morningside, L 3-1
 vs. St. Olaf, W 4-2
 Sat., April 6 / at UW-Platteville* (2) / L 5-3, W 6-3
 Sun., April 7 / at UW-Platteville* (2) / L 15-11, cancelled
 Fri., April 12 / at UW-River Falls* (2) / W 6-4, W 4-1
 Sat., April 13 / UW-Oshkosh* (2) / L 5-3, L 7-3
 Sun., April 14 / UW-Oshkosh* (2) / W 8-7, W 11-10
 Wed., April 17 / UW-Superior* (2) / W 15-0, L 12-5
 Sat., April 20 / UW-Whitewater* (2) / L 8-0, L 2-1
 Wed., April 24 / UW-River Falls* (2) / W 12-6, W 13-9
 Fri., April 26 / UW-Whitewater* (2) / L 9-4, L 9-3
 Sat., April 27 / at UW-Stevens Point* (2) / L 9-1, L 5-3
 Mon., April 29 / at UW-Stevens Point* (2) / L 9-8, L 14-6
 Wed., May 1 / at UW-Superior* (2) / W 7-6, W 3-0
 Sat., May 4 / UW-La Crosse* (2) / L 7-4, W 18-6
 Sun., May 5 / UW-La Crosse* (2) / L 10-2, W 8-7

Softball
Final Record: 9-16, 3-9

Date / Opponent / Time or Result

March 16-23 / Spring Trip (8-0) exhibition / Bahamas
 Thurs., Mar. 28 / at Winona State / L 7-4, L 8-0
Wed., April 3 / UW-Eau Claire (2)* / ppd
 Thurs., April 4 / at Hamline (2) / ppd
April 6-7 / UW-Stout Invitational / TBA
Saturday, April 6
 Stout 13, Northland 2 (5 inn)
 Stout 12, Northwestern 4 (5 inn)
 St. Scholastica 7, Northland 0
 Northwestern 8, St. Scholastica 7
 Stout 13, Northwestern 2 (5 inn)
Sunday, April 7
 St. Scholastica 13, Northland 2
 Northwestern 10, Northland 2 (5 inn)
 St. Scholastica 7, Stout 6
 Sat., April 13 / at WIAC Cluster Tourney at Whitewater
 vs. Whitewater*, L 10-0
 vs. Stevens Point*, W 9-8
 Sun., April 14 / at WIAC Cluster Tourney at Whitewater
 vs. Platteville*, W 4-1
 vs. Oshkosh*, L 7-3
 Tues., April 16 / at UW-Superior (2)* / W 5-0, L 10-4
Thurs., April 18 / UW-La Crosse (2)* / L 4-0, L 10-2
 Fri., April 19 / at Hamline (2) / L 14-3, L 6-3
Tues., April 23 / UW-Eau Claire (2)* / L 8-1, L 5-4
 Wed., April 25 / at UW-River Falls (2)* / L 2-0, L 11-0
 Sat., April 27 / at WIAC Cluster Tourney* at Menomonie
 vs. Platteville*, cancelled
 vs. Oshkosh*, cancelled
 Sun., April 28 / at WIAC Cluster Tourney* at Superior
 vs. Whitewater*, cancelled
 vs. Stevens Point*, cancelled
Tues., April 30 / St. Olaf (2) / W 10-2, W 9-7
 May 3-5 / at WIAC Tournament at Onalaska
 vs. Stevens Point, W 3-1
 vs. Superior, L 5-2
 vs. Platteville, L 1-0
 May 9-12 / NCAA DIII Regionals / TBA
 May 16-19 / NCAA DIII National Tourney/ TBA
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Men's Track & Field

Outdoor

Sat., April 6 / at Luther Norse Invite / 2nd of 6
 Sat., April 13 / at UW-La Crosse Triangular / 10:30 a.m.
 Sat., April 20 / at Carleton Relays / TBA
 Sat., April 27 / at UW-La Crosse Classic / 10:30 a.m.
 May 3-4 / at WIAC Championships / 7th of 8
 La Crosse, Wis.
 Fri., May 10 / at UW-La Crosse Qualifier / 3 p.m.
 Sat., May 11 / at U of Minnesota Qualifier / 4 p.m.
 Tues., May 14 / at St. Thomas Invite / 4 p.m.
 Fri., May 17 / at St. Olaf Invite / 4 p.m.
 May 23-25 / at NCAA DIII Championships / TBA
 St. Paul, Minn.

Indoor

Date / Opponent / Time or Result

Fri., Jan. 18 / UW-Stout Quad / not scored
 Sat., Jan. 26 / at St. Mary's Invite / not scored
Sat., Feb. 2 / UW-Stout Invite / 2nd of 5
Fri., Feb. 8 / UW-Stout Pentangular / 2nd of 5
Sat., Feb. 9 / Warren Bowls Invite / Noon
 Sat., Feb. 16 / at Wis/Minn Challenge / 4th of 4
Fri., Feb. 22 / Blue Devil Invite / not scored
 March 1-2 / at WIAC Championships / 7th of 8
 Whitewater, Wis.
 March 8-9 / at NCAA DIII Championships / 25th
 (Ohio Northern hosts)

Women's Track & Field

Outdoor

March 15-20 / at Pt Loma Nazarene / 3rd of 3
 San Diego, Calif
 Sat., April 6 / at UW-Eau Claire Invite / 11 a.m.
 Sat., April 13 / at Gustavus Adolphus Invite / 10:30 a.m.
 Sat., April 20 / at St. Olaf Relays / TBA
 Sat., April 27 / at UW-La Crosse Classic / 10:30 a.m.
 May 3-4 / at WIAC Championships / 6th of 9
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 Fri., May 10 / at UW-La Crosse Qualifier / 3 p.m.
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