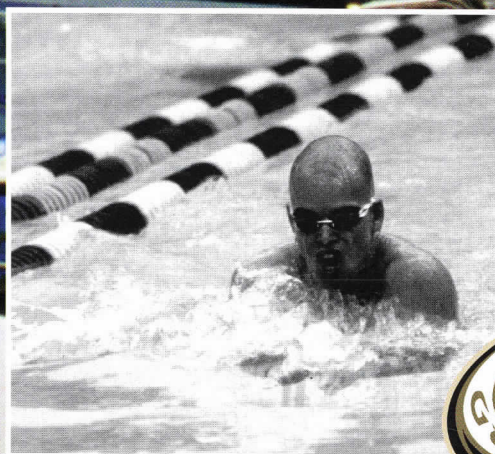
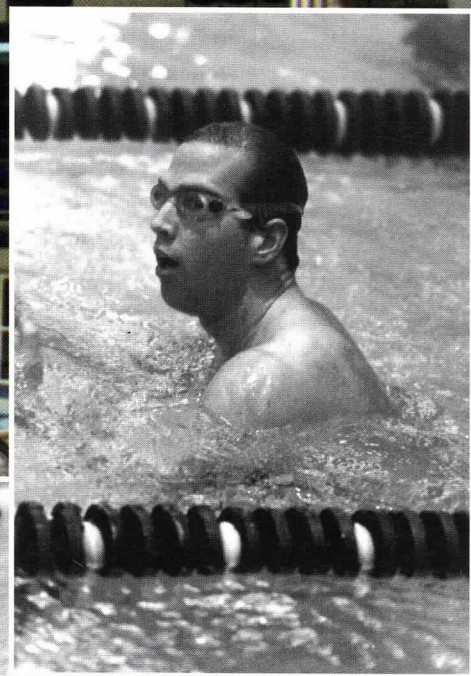


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1998-99 MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING GUIDE

1998-99 Men's Swimming & Diving Schedule

MONTH	DATE	CONTEST	TIME
September	25	BLACK & GOLD INTRASQUAD	7 p.m.
	26	12th ANNUAL ALUMNI MEET	2 p.m.
October	23	at Bowling Green Relays	11 a.m. (Diving) 5 p.m. (Swimming)
	30	GOLDEN GRIZZLY QUADRANGULAR (Michigan, Eastern Michigan, Michigan State)	7 p.m.
	31	GOLDEN GRIZZLY DIVING FESTIVAL	TBA
November	6	at Wright State	4 p.m.
	7	at Toledo	1 p.m.
	21	at Buffalo	3 p.m.
December	4-5	at Eastern Michigan Invitational	3:30 p.m.
	19-1/5	at Winter Training Trip - Oahu, Hawaii	
January	2-3	at Rainbow Invitational - Oahu, Hawaii	10 a.m./6 p.m.
	15	KENYON	4 p.m.
	22	at Indian River Community College	1 p.m.
	23	at Florida Atlantic University	1 p.m.
	29	at Eastern Michigan	7 p.m.
	30	DENISON	2 p.m.
February	5	OHIO UNIVERSITY	4 p.m.
	6	CINCINNATI	2 p.m.
	25-27	NIC CHAMPIONSHIP	11 a.m.-Prelims 6:30 p.m.-Finals

Host: Oakland University (Rochester, Michigan)

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Oakland University Quick Facts

Location: Rochester, Michigan 48309
Founded: 1957
Enrollment: 14,379
President: Gary Russi
Faculty Representative: Bill Macauley
Conference: Mid-Continent & National Independent
Affiliation: NCAA Division I-AAA (1999-2000)
Nickname: Golden Grizzlies
Colors: Gold, Black, White
Home Court: Recreation and Athletics Center Natatorium

OU Swimming & Diving Information

Head Coach: Pete Hovland (Cal State Chico, '76)
Hovland's Record at Oakland: Four National Championships (1994, 1995, 1996, 1997)
 NCAA Second Place (1983, 1984, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1993)
 NCAA Third Place (1982, 1986, 1992)
 NCAA Sixth Place (1985)
Assistant Coach: Paul Karas (Oakland, '77)
Volunteer Assistant: James Collins (Oakland)
Diving Coach: Don McElreath (Michigan, '78)
Manager: Kristen Olson
1997-98 Dual Meet Record: 2-4
NIC Finish: 5th of 8
NCAA Finish: Not Eligible
Recruiting Class Size: 12

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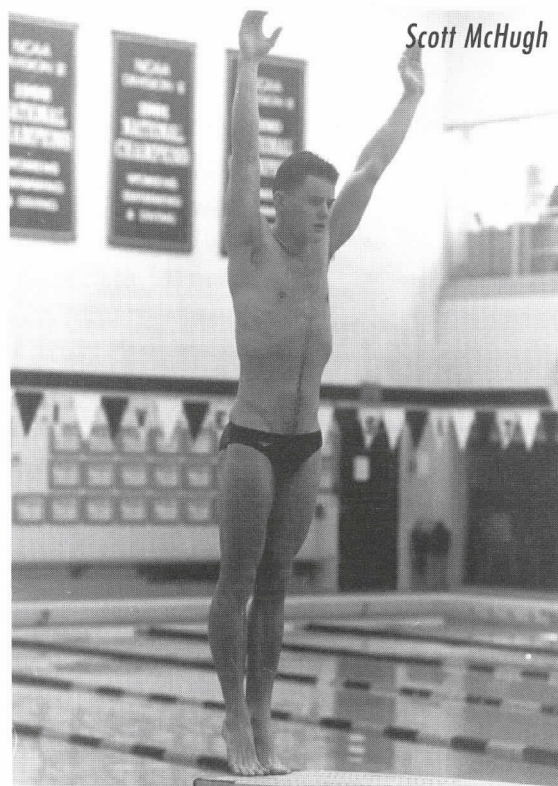
On the Cover of the Oakland University Men's Swimming and Diving Media Guide is the newly opened state-of-the-art OU Aquatics Center. Inset photos are of co-captains Dan Naylis and Ido Meron (bottom).

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Scott McHugh

The Golden Grizzlies Look to Make a Name for Themselves in Division I

The Oakland University swimming and diving program is diving into a new era with the transition from Division II to Division I athletics, competition in the National Independent Conference and the Mid-Continent Conference and a new state-of-the-art facility.

The Golden Grizzlies are in year two of the transition to NCAA Division I status and their second year as a member of the National Independent Conference. Last year Oakland

said. "With the graduation of a number of all-Americans and the transition, we've taken a hit. Hopefully we are on our way back to the level we want to be at. We have done it before and we know we can do it again, we are just going to have to go through the process."

With the move to Division I, Oakland also has many things going their way.

When asked about the strengths for this year, Hovland responded: "the new facility, the

are recruiting for next year will be fully eligible for Division I. There shouldn't be anything that will hold us back."

Another positive for Oakland is that the Golden Grizzlies will be hosting the NIC Championship this year, February 25-27.

"Hosting the NIC's in February will give us 'home court' advantage and a big boost being in our own pool," said Hovland. "The facilities we swam in last year were not up to standard and swimming at home in the new Aquatics Center will make it feel more like a championship."

"We have one year under our belt so we are not the outsiders anymore. Last year we felt like we were not a part of it and we were just invited in order to have enough teams. As we progress in the year and swim against more of the teams in dual meets, the more comfortable we will get in the conference and we will also be earning the respect of those other Division I teams and proving we can swim with these guys."

"Having the NIC's at home will be a great asset to us."

In the quest for the NIC Championship title and respect among Division I programs, the Golden Grizzlies will be led by senior captain Dan Naylis and junior captain Ido Meron.

"Ido and Dan are extremely talented and we will expect a lot from them in the pool and, more importantly, re-establishing and making sure that the new people know what the program is all about," Hovland said. "They need to make sure everyone fully understands that we have to re-focus, re-direct and be able to set the bar and the standard a bit higher at the Division I level."

Here's a look at how OU will stack up against the other teams in 1998-99 and at the NIC Championship in February.

Freestyle

Guiding the way for Oakland in the freestyle



Yoav Ritter

placed fifth at the NIC's in Cincinnati, out of eight participating teams, and OU will host the 1999 NIC Championship.

"Last year gave us an idea of where we need to go in order to compete at this level and to compete with the best teams in the NIC, such as Cincinnati," OU head coach Pete Hovland said. "UC is the school setting the standards and is the team to beat. We have beaten them in the past, so we know we can compete in this level."

"It's just a matter of putting all the pieces back together with the move from Division II to Division I," Hovland said.

In order for OU to be successful at the next level, the Golden Grizzlies will have many obstacles to overcome and rebuilding to do.

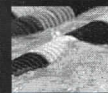
"Basically we are looking at a four-year program to get back to where we were," Hovland

new facility, and the new facility. Right now it's the best thing going for us."

The new \$37 million facility will be a major asset for the swimming and diving program because of the Olympic size pool that includes a diving well and movable bulk heads allowing both long and short course training and the state-of-the-art weight training facility.

"The fact that we were leaving Division II and couldn't compete for a national championship for two years was a major downfall for our program," Hovland said. "If you combine that with the fact that we graduated so many all-Americans in the past couple of years, you realize that we have dug ourselves a pretty big hole."

"Hopefully the new pool is going to be something that helps us to recruit again. This is our last year in the transition, so the kids we



events this year will be Kevin Bobzien (Sr., Orange, CA), Dan Naylis (Sr., Belmont), Yoav Ritter (Jr., Ramat-Gan, Israel), and Thaigo Orso (Jr., Sao Paulo, Brazil). Bobzien finished sixth in the 50 free (20.96) and 12th in the 100 free (46.58) at the 1998 NIC. Naylis will swim the 100, 200, and 500 free. Ritter will swim the 100, 200, and 500 free. Orso was OU's highest scorer in the NIC Championship with 40 points in 1998.

Wesley Brown (Jr., Bloomfield Hills) will swim the 50 and 100 free. Courtney Dunlap (Jr., Ludington), who scored 28 points at the NIC's, and Todd Duncan (So., Trenton) will be the core to developing a strong team in the freestyle events.

OU's top newcomers in the freestyle events are Andy Schmit (Fr., La Mesa, CA), Marc Gray (Fr., Rochester), Colin Dolcetti (Fr., Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada), and Nick Corden (Fr., Canton).

Schmit was high school all-American in 500 free in 1997 and 1998. He will swim the 200, 500, and 1650 free. Gray was all-State in the 500 free in 1998 and all-League in the 500 and 200 free in 1997 and 1998. As a senior he placed 11th in the 200 free and sixth in the 500 free at the state meet.

Corden, who was named to the all-America team his senior year, and Dolcetti, who was named Sault Ste. Marie male athlete of the

year for his club team in 1998, will also help sure up some of the distance events.

Butterfly

The top returners in the butterfly events are Ritter, who placed fifth in the 100 fly (50.01) and eighth in the 200 fly (1:53.35) at the NIC Championships last year. He will be joined by Brown, who finished 12th in the 100 fly (57.77) at the Pioneer Fall Classic, and Nate Murphy (Jr., Tecumseh), who finished third in the 200 fly (2:00.57) at the Pioneer Invitational. Freshman Dolcetti will also contribute in the butterfly events.

Backstroke

Ido Meron (Jr., Hafia, Israel) heads the corps of returning backstrokers. He placed fifth in the 200 back (1:50.90) scoring a total of 28 points at the NIC's last year. Joining him are Kurt Knoper (Jr., Zeeland), who redshirted last year, and Eric Tunison (So., Erie), who will swim the 100 and 200 back.

OU's top newcomers in the backstroke are Dan Gabriel (Fr., Farmington Hills) and Nick Sosnowski (Fr., Farmington Hills). Gabriel was named two time all-State and first team all-American for the 100 back. Sosnowski was on the all-League team all four years and was named all-State his junior and senior year.

Breaststroke

Randy Cobb (Sr., Westland) and Andy Belco (Jr., Plainwell) will be the top returnees in the breaststroke events. Cobb recorded 20 points at the NIC's last year and Belco finished 16th in the 100 breast (59.61) at the NIC's.

Dolcetti and Mark Quinn (Fr., Skipton, North Yorkshire, England), who was national champion in the 200 breast at 16 years old, will be the newcomers that are leading the way in the Breaststroke events.

Individual Medleys

Cobb, Meron and Erich Kelly (Jr., Novi) will head up the individual medleys for Oakland along with newcomers Quinn and Sosnowski. Kelly finished 13th in the 200 IM (1:56.38), while placing 15th in the 400 IM (4:10.49) at

the NIC Invitational last year.

Relays

"Going into the season the relays are going to be a question mark but I think things will work themselves out as the season progresses," said Hovland. "The 800 freestyle relay is one of our stronger events along with the 200 and 400. We have the personnel and we will



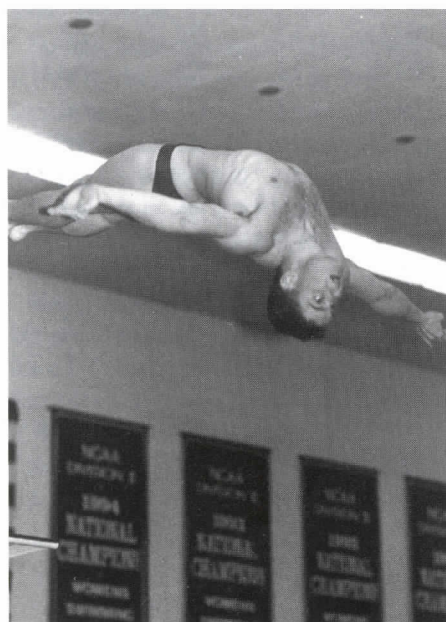
Courtney Dunlap

be able to put it together as the season goes on. Currently its wide open, we have a number of people that will be vying for spots on the relays," said Hovland. "We will have to see how things shake out during the season and hopefully someone will step up and earn a spot on the relay team."

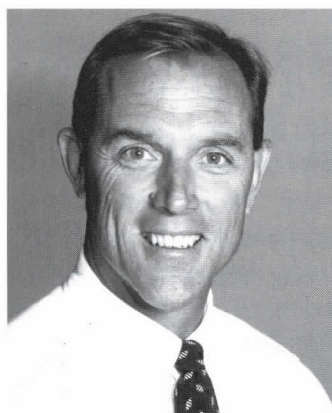
Diving

Scott McHugh (Sr., Grandville) and Jamie Honce (Sr., Troy) are OU's returning divers this year for Oakland. McHugh was OU's second highest scorer at the NIC Championships last year with 37 points. He finished first in the three meter diving with a score of 518.50 points and he placed second in the one meter diving with a score of 494.60 at the NIC Championships.

Honce placed ninth in the one meter diving with a score of 253.05 points and 11th in the three meter diving with a score of 253.25 points, a season best, at the EMU Invitational.



Scott McHugh



Pete Hovland

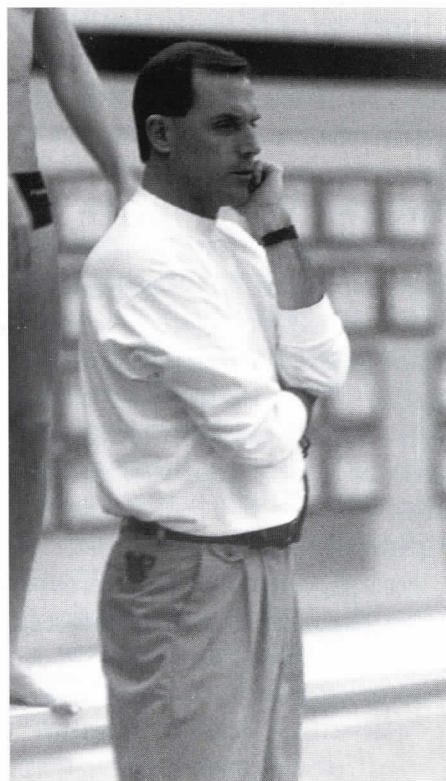
Men's Swimming Coach

18th Season

California-Chico '76

Oakland University's men's swimming coach Pete Hovland enters his 18th season in 1998-99. Hovland and the Golden Grizzlies had firmly established themselves as one of the most successful Division II swimming and diving programs in the nation and prepare to take it to the next level ... NCAA Division I.

The Golden Grizzlies have done it all under Hovland. In 1998, Oakland competed in its first season at the Division I level. OU participated in the National Independent Conference Championship in



Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Golden Grizzlies placed fifth out of eight teams, scoring 404 points in their first year at the NIC's.

In 1997, OU captured its fourth consecutive Division II National Championship in San Antonio, Texas.

In the 1990s alone, Hovland and the Oakland squad claimed four national championships, three NCAA runner-up finishes and one third-place mark. In his 17 years, Oakland has finished in the top three in the country 15 times, with eight second-place finishes, including five in a row from 1987-91. The success has become habitual for the man who has been selected NCAA Division II Coach of the Year six times.

Hovland has had the honor of coaching the NCAA Division II Swimmer of the Year in seven of his 17 seasons. Chris Zoltak was the last to win the honor, being named Division II's top swimmer in 1994. Prior to that, former assistant coach Doug Allen captured the honor in 1991. Tracy Huth, OU's former women's swimming coach, won the honor three times, while Mark VanderMey won it in 1988 and Hilton Woods won it in 1989.

Hovland and Woods spent September of 1988 in Seoul, South Korea, as the two main ingredients of the Netherlands-Antilles Olympic swimming team, Hovland as coach and Woods as its top swimmer. Prior to that the pair was in Indianapolis as Woods captured a Bronze Medal in the 50-meter freestyle at the Pan American Games.

Hovland's Golden Grizzlies posted their first unbeaten dual meet season in history in 1994, going 9-0. They repeated that feat in 1995 with an 8-0 dual record.

Hovland reached the 100-win plateau in his 15th season as coach of the Golden Grizzlies and upped his career mark to 131-49-1 in 1997-1998. In addition, Oakland had won 16 straight GLIAC titles under Hovland, 19-in-a-row overall, and was in the top three nationally for 18 of the last 21 years and in the top seven for the last 25 seasons.

While the success in the pool has been astounding, it has been matched by success in the classroom. The Golden Grizzlies are consistently named as an all-Academic Team by the National Swimming Coaches Association of America, and a number of OU individuals, including 1997 graduate Jay Judson, have been honored by being named to the NSCAA All-Academic Team. With his 3.74 GPA in

English Literature and his many athletic accolades, Judson was awarded one of the prestigious \$5,000 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship in 1997 becoming the seventh OU male swimmer to do so.

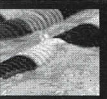
Prior to being handed the head coaching reins, Hovland served as an assistant to OU head coach Ernie Maglischo for two seasons, one of which was OU's NCAA Championship year. The pair first hooked up at California State University at Chico, where Maglischo coached the 23-time all-American Hovland. While at California-Chico, Hovland won five individual national titles and was part of eight national championship relay squads. He was part of four NCAA Championship teams as a college swimmer. In 1977, he was selected as the Western Conference Swimmer of the Year and is being inducted into the Chico State Hall Of Honor this October.

Hovland earned his bachelor's degree in physical education at California-Chico in 1976, and received his master's degree from the University of Northern Iowa three years later. Hovland was an assistant coach at both Chico and Northern Iowa before joining the OU staff.

THE HOVLAND YEARS

YEAR	RECORD	PCT.	NCAA FINISH*
1981-82	5-5-1	.500	3rd
1982-83	11-1	.917	2nd
1983-84	9-4	.692	2nd
1984-85	5-6	.455	6th
1985-86	8-3	.727	3rd
1986-87	9-3	.750	2nd
1987-88	8-2	.800	2nd
1988-89	8-3	.727	2nd
1989-90	7-4	.636	2nd
1990-91	10-3	.769	2nd
1991-92	8-3	.727	3rd
1992-93	5-5	.500	2nd
1993-94	9-0	1.000	1st
1994-95	8-0	1.000	1st
1995-96	8-1	.889	1st
1996-97	11-2	.846	1st
1997-98	2-4	.333	Not Eligible
17 seasons	131-49-1	.727	1st - 4 times, 2nd - 8 times, 3rd - 3 times, 6th - once

*NCAA Division I 1997-present; NCAA Division II 1981-98



Don McElreath

Diving Coach

Third Season

Michigan '78

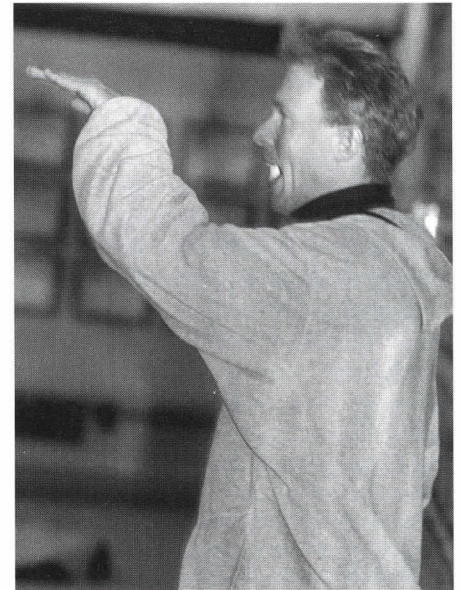
Oakland University's Don McElreath is entering his third season as the head diving coach for both the men's and women's teams.

In his first season (1996-97) he guided two divers to all-GLIAC and all-America honors. Junior Damion Pulliam earned both honors after finishing sixth on the one-meter and seventh on the three-meter at the 1997 NCAA Championship. Pulliam

won both events at the 1997 GLIAC Championship. Freshman Greg Harris claimed 14th place at the NCAA Championship earning him all-America recognition. Harris earned all-GLIAC honors after finishing second on the one-meter and third on the three meter at the GLIAC Championship.

Last year was the first year the Golden Grizzlies competed at the Division I level and in the National Independent Conference Championship. At the NICs Scott McHugh claimed the men's three-meter diving title with 518.50 points and he placed second in the men's one-meter finals with 494.60 points. Joe Noto finished seventh in both the one- and three-meter diving events with scores of 320.70 and 337.75 points, respectively. In the women's diving finals at the 1998 NICs, Devon Cunningham placed eighth in both the women's one meter and three meter boards with 358.75 and 369.10 points in each event.

McElreath, who also serves as a physical education teacher at Shelby Junior High School in Shelby Township, has been a coach in high school athletics since 1976. He began as the diving coach at Ann Arbor Huron High School, while studying for his Bachelor of Science degree in education at the University of Michigan. The 1978 Michigan gradu-



ate has coached both diving and gymnastics at Rochester High School, and has also coached gymnastics at Troy Athens and Birmingham Seaholm High Schools.

He has served as the varsity football defensive coordinator at both Utica and Utica Eisenhower High Schools, the volleyball head coach at Utica Ford High School and as the assistant tennis coach at Troy High School.



Paul Karas

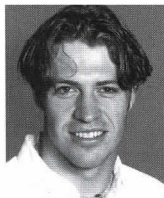
Assistant Coach

Second Season

Paul Karas, an assistant coach for Oakland University in 1978, is in his second season with the Golden Grizzlies. Karas is an engineer at Ford Motor Company (1978 to the present) and in 1994 he was the Henry Ford Technology Award Winner.

Karas received his MBA from Oakland University in 1985 and earned his undergraduate degree from OU in 1977.

While at Oakland, Karas was on the swim team for four years. He was the national champion in the 500 free in 1974 and was a 20-time all American at OU. Karas was Co-Captain in 1977 and is a charter member of OU's Hall of Honor. He is currently a member of the President's Club at OU, an Alumni Association member, and Treasury-Swimming Alumni.



James Collins

Volunteer Assistant Coach

Second Season

James Collins is in his second season as a volunteer assistant swimming coach to Pete Hovland. Collins is currently working to complete his undergraduate degree in communications.

Collins was a 20-time all-American, with 15 coming in individual events, in his four seasons on the Pioneer swim team. Collins was a part of the recent four consecutive NCAA national championships (1994-97). In the 1997 NCAA Championship, Collins swam a leg of the national championship 800 free relay team, marking his fifth NCAA title in the four years.

The Huddersfield, England native is in the Oakland record books on two occasions ... 500 freestyle (4:28.32/1996) and 800 freestyle relay (Collins, Kristensen, Albiero, Ehlen/6:38.88/1996).

In addition to his coaching duties at OU, Collins is also a lifeguard and coach of Oly swimming and summer swim camps.



Kristen Olson

Men's Swimming Manager

First Season

Kristen Olson is presently a student at Oakland University. She transferred to OU from East Carolina University where she swam two years on the varsity swim team. She was a member of the ECU swim team that was the CAA conference champions in 1997. Olson is originally from Rochester, Michigan and she graduated from Rochester High School. She swam four years on the varsity swim team for RHS and earned nine all-State honors and one all-American honor.

1998-99 Swimming & Diving Roster

NAME	EVENT	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL)
Andy Belco	BR/FR	6-2	170	Jr.	Plainwell (Plainwell)
Kevin Bobzien	FR/Fly	6-1	195	Sr.	Orange, CA (Villa Park)
Wesley Brown	FR	5-8	140	Jr.	Bloomfield Hills (Andover)
Randy Cobb	BR	6-3	190	Sr.	Westland (Livonia Franklin)
Nick Corden	FR	6-0	175	Fr.	Canton (Plymouth Salem)
Colin Dolcetti	FR/Fly/BR	6-4	190	Fr.	Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada (Sir James Donn C.U.S.)
Todd Duncan	FR	6-2	180	So.	Trenton (Gibraltar Carlson)
Courtney Dunlap	FR	6-0	180	Jr.	Ludington (Ludington)
Dan Gabriel	BK	6-0	167	Fr.	Farmington Hills (North Farmington)
Marc Gray	Distance	5-10	145	Fr.	Rochester (Rochester Adams)
Jamie Honce	Diving	5-8	145	Sr.	Troy (U of D Jesuit)
Erich Kelly	FR	6-1	185	Jr.	Novi (Novi)
Kurt Knoper	FR/BK	6-0	175	Jr.	Zeeland (Zeeland)
Scott McHugh	Diving	5-11	160	Sr.	Grandville (Grandville)
Ido Meron	BK/IM	5-11	165	Jr.	Haifa, Israel (Irony Hey)
Nate Murphy	FR	5-10	160	Jr.	Tecumseh (Tecumseh)
Dan Naylis	FR	6-2	194	Sr.	Belmont (Rockford)
Thiago Orso	FS/BK	6-0	170	Jr.	Sao Paulo, Brazil (Objetivo)
Mark Quinn	BR	5-10	170	Fr.	Skipton, North Yorkshire, England (Ermysteds Grammar School)
Yoav Ritter	Fly/FR	6-1	175	Jr.	Ramat-Gan, Israel (Irony Hey)
Andy Schmit	FS	6-1	180	Fr.	La Mesa, California (Grossmont)
Nick Sosnowski	BK/IM	6-0	165	Fr.	Farmington Hills (Detroit Catholic Central)
Eric Tunison	BK/Fly	6-1	165	So.	Erie (Mason)

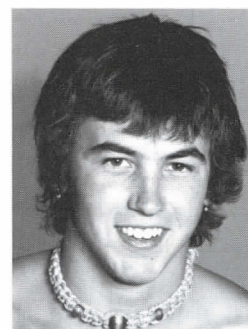
Head Coach: Pete Hovland

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Volunteer Assistant: James Collins

Diving Coach: Don McElreath

Manager: Kristen Olson



Andy Belco
Breaststroke/Freestyle
6-2, 170, Junior
Plainwell, Michigan (Plainwell HS)

Coach Hovland on Belco

"He had a breakthrough year last year. I felt that he really stepped up for us and had his biggest improvement since he has been in the program last year at the NIC's. We are real pleased with his performances last year but he needs to do the same thing again this year."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... He placed fifth in the 200 breast (2:25.18) against Kenyon ... finished 16th in the 100 breast (59.61) at the NIC Championships ... placed third in the 50 breast (29.63) at the Pioneer Fall Classic ... at the EMU Invitational he finished the 50 free with a 22.83.

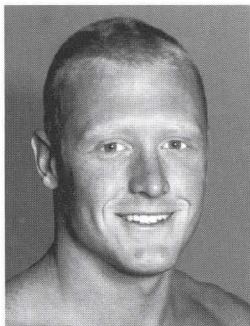
As a Freshman (1996-97) ... His top finishes came in the Pioneer Fall Classic, EMU Invite and in the dual meet at Eastern Michigan ... his top finishes included a 22.27 in the 50 free, a 51.89 in the 100 free, a 30.27 in the 50 breaststroke, a 1:01.91 in the 100 breast and a 2:27.56 in the 200 breast.

High School ... A 1996 graduate of Plainwell High School in Plainwell, Michigan ... swam four years at PHS under head coach John DuBois ... a Class B state finalist who placed fifth in the 100 breaststroke ... member of Plainwell's all-America 200 free relay team that placed second in the state ... Plainwell placed in the top five at the state championship meet during all four of Belco's years ... a member of Plainwell's 1995 Wolverine Conference championship team ... captained the swimming team as a senior ... earned all-League, all-State and all-America honors at PHS ... also was the goalkeeper for the PHS soccer team.

Personal ... Born Andrew N. Belco on March 10, 1978 in Kalamazoo, Michigan ... nickname is Andy ... parents are Tom and Lynn Belco ... father played golf and swam at Western Michigan University ... elementary education major.

**Belco's Top Times in '97-'98**

50 free	22.83	20th	EMU Invitational
50 breast	29.63	3rd	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 breast	59.61	16th*	NIC Championship
200 breast	2:25.18	5th	Kenyon

**Kevin Bobzien**

Butterfly/Freestyle

6-1, 195, Senior

Orange, California (Villa Park HS)

Coach Hovland on Bobzien

"He is one of those guys with tons of potential. He didn't have the type of season as he had expected last year. This year is his last go around and we are expecting big things from Kevin."

As a Junior (1997-98) ... Finished sixth in the 50 free (20.96) and 12th in the 100 free (46.58) at the NIC Championships scoring a total of 17 points ... he finished the 100 fly with a 54.57 at the Pioneer Invitational ... at the Pioneer Fall Classic he placed seventh in the 50 fly (25.61).

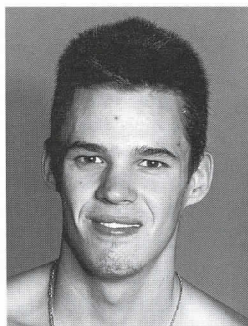
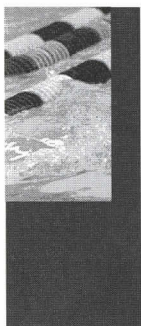
Before OU ... Swam at Orange Coast Community College as a freshman and at Indian River Community College as a sophomore ... earned 13 all-League, all-District and all-America honors in college thus far.

High School ... A 1994 graduate of Villa Park High School in Orange, California ... earned four letters in swimming under head coach Jeff Ehrlich ... captained the swim team as a senior ... earned all-League, all-District, all-State and all-America honors as a senior.

Personal ... Born Kevin Duane Bobzien on January 16, 1976 in Price, Utah ... nicknames are Bob or Red ... parents are Ray and Lynda Bobzien ... communications major.

Bobzien's Top Times in '97-'98

50 free	20.96	6th*	NIC Championship
100 free	46.58	12th*	NIC Championship
50 fly	25.61	7th	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 fly	54.57	—	Pioneer Invitational

**Wesley Brown**

Freestyle

5-8, 140, Junior

Bloomfield Hills, Michigan (Andover HS)

Coach Hovland on Brown

"Wes had a great summer. Hopefully his summer experiences at Region VI's in Cleveland, where he swam some very good times, will carry over and will translate into some bigger swims this year."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... Finished 15th in the 200 free (1:42.65) at the NIC Championships ... at the EMU Invitational he finished the 500 free in a 4:58.68 and placed 13th in the 200 fly (2:03.60) ... against Kenyon he placed fifth in the 50 free (22.78) ... finished 12th in the 100 fly (57.77) at the Pioneer Fall Classic ... and placed 11th in the 100 breast (1:16.23) at the Pioneer Invitational.

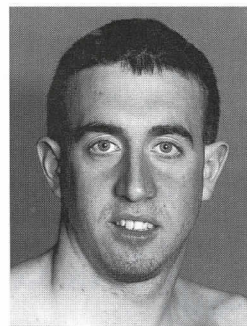
As a Freshman (1996-97) ... Saw limited action as a freshman ... recorded his season bests at the Pioneer Fall Classic (500 free/5:13.85, 100 fly/58.00) and the EMU Invitational (200 free/1:44.81, 200 fly/1:57.96).

High School ... A 1996 graduate of Bloomfield Hills Andover High School in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan ... placed second in the 200 free and third in the 500 free at the state championship meet in 1996 ... a member of four straight state championship teams at BHAHS, helping Andover run its streak to seven ... co-captained the Barons' swim team in 1996.

Personal ... Born Wesley A. Brown on February 26, 1978 in North Carolina ... nickname is Downtown ... parents are Harold and Beverly Brown ... father lettered in fencing at the University of North Carolina ... English Literature major.

Brown's Top Times in '97-'98

50 free	22.78	5th	Kenyon
200 free	1:42.65	15th*	NIC Championship
500 free	4:58.68	—	EMU Invitational
100 fly	57.77	12th	Pioneer Fall Classic
200 fly	2:03.60	13th	EMU Invitational
100 breast	1:16.23	11th	Pioneer Invitational

**Randy Cobb**

Breaststroke

6-3, 190, Senior

Westland, Michigan

(Livonia Franklin HS)

Coach Hovland on Cobb

"Randy has progressed well in the program. He's had the opportunity to train with some of the best swimmers to come out of the program. He is going to have to pass the torch down to the younger players. He is a consistent contributor to the team and handles the pressures of the season well."

As a Junior (1997-98) ... Recorded 20 points at the NIC championships ... finished eighth in the 100 breast (58.35) and ninth in the 200 breast (2:06.93) at the NIC Championships ... placed fifth in the 1650 free (17:32.74) at the Pioneer Invitational ... finished first in the 50 breast (29.15) at the Pioneer Fall Classic ... and at the EMU Invitational he placed 13th in the 200 IM (2:03.12).

As a Sophomore (1996-97) ... Saw limited action as a sophomore ... recorded his season bests at the Pioneer Fall Classic (100 fly/59.75) and the EMU Invitational (100 breast/59.82, 200 breast/2:10.05, 200 IM/2:01.36).

As a Freshman (1995-96) ... Qualified for nationals, but had the unfortunate distinction of being OU's 19th man on the 18-man championship team ... was GLIAC champion in the 200 breaststroke and co-champion in the 100 breaststroke.

High School ... A 1997 graduate of Franklin High School in Livonia, Michigan ... earned three letters (1992, 1994, 1995) at FHS under head coach Jean Pritchard ... earned all-State honors in 1994 and all-League in 1994 and 1995 ... team finished 34th in the state in 1994 and 37th in 1995 ... captained the Patriots swim team twice ... a Class A state finalist in the 100 breast as a senior at FHS, finishing seventh.

Personal ... Born Randall Cobb on Marcy 19, 1997 in Dearborn, Michigan ... nickname is Randy ... parents are Wayne and Ethel Cobb ... computer engineering major.

Cobb's Top Times in '97-'98

1650 free	17:32.74	5th	Pioneer Invitational
50 breast	29.15	1st	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 breast	58.35	8th*	NIC Championship
200 breast	2:06.93	9th*	NIC Championship
200 IM	2:03.12	13th	EMU Invitational



Nick Corden

Freestyle

6-0, 175, Freshman

Canton, Michigan

(Plymouth Salem)

Coch Hovland on Corden

"Nick has potential written all over him. He will add depth to our sprint

corp and the sky is the limit depending on how hungry he is to make a name for himself. He has the potential to participate in all three of our sprint freestyle relays."

High School ... A 1998 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School in Canton Michigan ... swam for four years under head coach Chuck Olson ... he was captain of the high school team and was an eight-time conference champion ... he earned all-State honors in 1997 and 1998 ... named to the all-America team in 1998 ... his team was ranked fifth in the state in 1997 and sixth in 1998 ... in 1997 they finished ninth in the state championships and in 1998 they finished 10th ... he was also a member of the Plymouth Canton Cruisers club team.

Personal ... Born Nicholas Corden on April 9, 1980 in Westland, Michigan ... his parents are Barry and Cindy Corden ... he is undecided on a major.



Colin Dolcetti

Freestyle/Butterfly/Breaststroke

6-4, 190, Freshman

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada

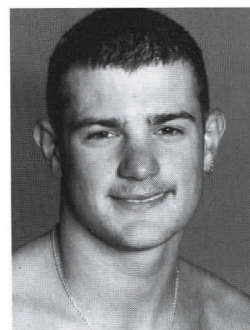
(Sir James Donn C.U.S.)

Coch Hovland on Dolcetti

"Colin has the potential to be a major contributor to our program. He has good size and we are expecting big things from him. Hopefully he will be a pleasant surprise for us this season."

High School ... A 1998 graduate of Sir James Donn C.U.S High School in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada ... swam for his high school team from 1994-1998 ... also swam for the Sault Ste. Marie Club team ... was named Sault Ste. Marie male athlete of the year for his club team in 1998 ... he was also the eastern cup finalist and a junior national finalist.

Personal ... Born Colin Dolcetti on January 26, 1979 in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario ... parents are Jerry and Janice Dolcetti.



Todd Duncan

Freestyle

6-2, 180, Sophomore

Trenton, Michigan

(Gibraltar Carlson HS)

Coch Hovland on Duncan

"Todd came out of high school as one of the top freestylers in Michigan. Hopefully he will perform at the level that we expect him to. He has enough talent

to be a major factor at the National Independent Conference Championship."

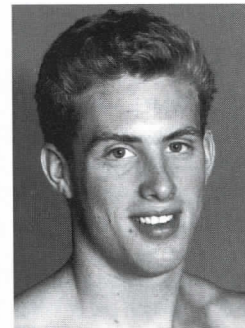
As a Freshman (1997-98) ... Placed fourth in the 100 free (48.66) against Western Kentucky ... versus Cincinnati he finished sixth in the 50 free (22.60) ... In the Pioneer Fall Classic he placed eighth in the 50 fly with a time of 25.65.

High School ... A 1997 graduate of Gibraltar Carlson High School ... earned four letters in swimming under head coach Rick Duncan ... captained the Marauders swim team as a junior and senior ... earned all-League honors all four years at GCHS ... named all-State in the 50 and 100 free in 1997 and was the League's MVP in 1997 ... also lettered in football and track.

Personal ... Born Todd Duncan on May 16, 1979 in Flint, Michigan ... parents are Richard and Kim Duncan ... father swam two years at Central Michigan University ... undecided on a major.

Duncan's Top Times in '97-'98

50 free	22.60	6th	Cincinnati
100 free	48.66	4th	Western Kentucky
50 fly	25.65	8th	Pioneer Fall Classic



Courtney Dunlap

Freestyle

6-0, 180, Junior

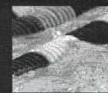
Ludington, Michigan (Ludington HS)

Coch Hovland on Dunlap

"Courtney just keeps getting better and better and better. He was extremely serious about his workout program training in Arizona this summer. He is already starting off where he finished last year. We expect even more improvement from him this year."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... Scored 28 points in the NIC Championships ... placed fifth in both the 50 free (20.95) and the 100 free (45.93) and 15th in the 200 free (1:42.81) at the NIC Championships in 1998 ... at the Pioneer Fall Classic he finished fourth in the 50 fly (25.25).

As a Freshman (1996-97) ... Scored in his first



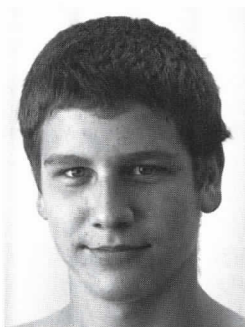
NCAA Championship with a seventh-place finish in the 100y freestyle (46.36), a career best ... posted his career best in the 200 free (1:46.50) at the Eastern Michigan Invitational ... earned his first all-America honor with the seventh-place finish at the NAAs.

High School ... A 1996 graduate of Ludington High School in Ludington, Michigan ... swam four years under Hooker Wellman for LHS ... captained the swim team his senior season ... placed second in the 100 freestyle and third in the 50 freestyle while a senior at Ludington High School ... a prep All-Stater and conference champion.

Personal ... Born Courtney Wayne Dunlap on April 2, 1978 in Ludington, Michigan ... parents are Dennis and Lindia Dunlap.

Dunlap's Top Times in '97-'98

50 free	20.95	5th*	NIC Championship
100 free	45.93	5th	NIC Championship
200 free	1:42.81	15th*	NIC Championship
50 fly	25.25	4th	Pioneer Fall Classic



Marc Gray

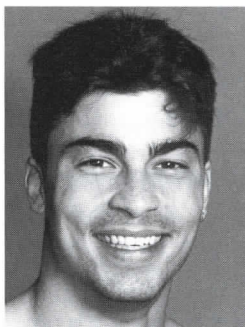
Distance
5-10, 145, Freshman
Rochester, Michigan (Rochester Adams)

Coach Hovland on Gray

"Marc comes to us with a real strong background in the distance events. He is going to be very competitive at the National Independent Conference Championships."

High School ... A 1998 graduate of Rochester Adams High School in Rochester, Michigan ... swam four years under head coach Tim Hickey ... captained the swim team his senior year ... his team was ranked fourth in the state and placed fourth in the state championships in 1998 ... he was all-State in the 500 free in 1998 and all-League in the 500 and 200 free in 1997 and 1998 ... as a junior he placed 15th in the 500 free at the state meet ... as a senior he placed 11th in the 200 free and sixth in the 500 free at the state meet.

Personal ... Born Marc Philip Gray on July 10, 1980 ... parents are Ted and Laura Gray.



Jamie Honce

Diving
5-8, 145, Senior
Troy, Michigan (U of D Jesuit HS)

Coach Hovland on Honce

"Jamie has been with the program for a while and is very consistent. We will be looking for him to score points for us in the one and three meter dives at the NIC's."

As a Junior (1997-98) ... At the Eastern Michigan Invitational he placed ninth in the one meter diving with a score of 253.05 points and 11th in the three meter diving with a score of 253.25 points, a season best.

As a Sophomore (1996-97) ... His 269.60 points at the Eastern Michigan Invitational in the one-meter diving event was a season best ... his 204.82 points at Toledo on the three-meter board was also a season best.

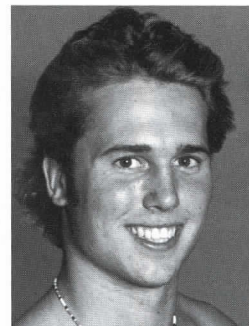
As a Freshman (1995-96) ... OU's top scorer for both six and 11 dives on the one-meter board and for 11 dives on the three-meter board ... seventh in the GLIAC on the one-meter board and eighth on the three-meter.

High School ... A 1995 graduate of U of D Jesuit High School ... earned two letters at U of D High under head coach Jim Feldman ... also played football and threw the discus as a prepster.

Personal ... Born James Erick Honce on August 1, 1976 in Warren, Michigan ... nickname is Jamie ... parents are Joseph and Sonia Honce ... art history major.

Honce's Top Scores in '97-'98

1M (6)	253.05	9th	EMU Invitational
3M (6)	253.25	11th	EMU Invitational



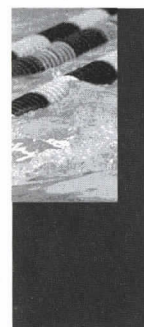
Erich Kelly

Freestyle
6-1, 185, Junior
Novi, Michigan (Novi HS)

Coach Hovland on Kelly

"Erich has been progressing nicely. He has been getting stronger and gaining more confidence in his specialties, the 200 and 400 IM and the 200 back. He has great competitive fire and spirit in him that tends to infect other swimmers."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... Finished fifth in the 200 breast (2:21.24) against Western Kentucky ... placed sixth in the 200 fly (2:08.64) and 10th in the 200 free (1:55.37) at the Pioneer Fall Classic ... at the EMU Invitational he finished the 100 back with a time



Dan Gabriel

Backstroke
6-0, 167, Freshman
Farmington Hills (North Farmington)

Coach Hovland on Gabriel

"Dan is a extremely talented swimmer. It all depends on how he adjusts to the college life and the college program. He came out of the Oakland Live Y'er program. I think in time he will be an extremely valuable backstroker for our program."

High School ... A 1998 graduate of North Farmington High School ... swam four years for the Raiders under head coach Pat Duthie ... named captain of the swim team ... two time all-State and first team all-American in the 100 back ... also lettered two years in soccer and four years in track ... named all-Division and all-Region teams for soccer ... was all-Conference and a State Qualifier in pole vault for track.

Personal ... Born Dan Gabriel on May 25, 1980 ... his parents are John and Debbie Gabriel ... a physical therapy major.

of 56.22 ... he finished 13th in both the 200 back (1:56.12) and 200 IM (1:56.38), while placing 15th in the 400 IM (4:10.49) at the NIC Invitational.

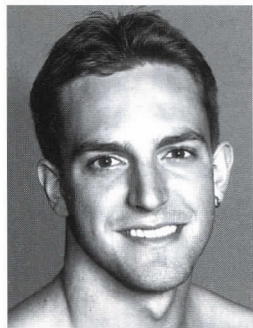
As a Freshman (1996-97) ... Recorded his top performances at the Pioneer Fall Classic, against Hope and at the EMU Invitational ... his season bests were 1:55.20 (200 free), 5:21.86 (500 free), 58.85 (100 back), 2:03.14 (200 back), 1:59.63 (200 IM) and 4:12.51 (400 IM) in 1996-97.

High School ... A 1996 graduate of Novi High School in Novi, Michigan ... earned four letters under Bill McCord at NHS ... also lettered in football, cross country and baseball at NHS ... a prep all-Academic choice in all four sports as a prepster ... formerly one of the state's top age group swimmers.

Personal ... Born Erich Kelly on May 30, 1978 in West Palm Beach, Florida ... parents are John and Karen Kelly ... undecided on a major ... earned a 3.2 GPA in his second semester as a freshman.

Kelly's Top Times in '97-'98

200 free	1:55.37	10th	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 back	56.22	—	EMU Invitational
200 back	1:56.12	13th*	NIC Invitational
200 breast	2:21.24	5th	Western Kentucky
200 fly	2:08.64	6th	Pioneer Fall Classic
200 IM	1:56.38	13th*	NIC Championship
400 IM	4:10.49	15th*	NIC Championship



Kurt Knoper
Freestyle/Backstroke
6-0, 175, Junior
Zeeland, Michigan (Zeeland HS)

Coach Hovland on Knoper

"Kurt redshirted last year. Hopefully the year helped him grow and mature physically and the additional year will pay off in how well he does at the end of the season."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... At the Pioneer Fall Classic he finished fifth in the 50 back (27.37), seventh in the 100 back (58.33) and sixth in the 200 back (2:06.91).

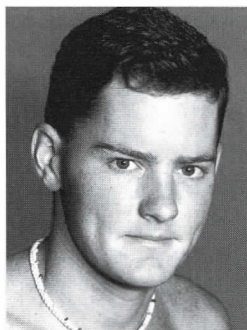
As a Freshman (1996-97) ... Saw limited action as a freshman ... recorded season bests at the Pioneer Fall Classic (200 free/1:53.50, 50 back/27.67, 100 back/58.91), vs. Western Ontario (200 back/2:03.70) and the EMU Invitational (50 free/22.16).

High School ... A 1996 graduate of Zeeland High School in Zeeland, Michigan ... four year letterman under head coach Mike Torrey ... captained the swimming team as a senior ... placed 13th in the state in the 100 free ... a nine-time conference champion as a prep swimmer ... a two-year all-State choice ... named MVP three times ... also lettered three years in water polo.

Personal ... Born Kurt Knoper on July 16, 1978 in Zeeland, Michigan ... parents are Bruce and Ruth Knoper ... education major.

Knoper's Top Times in '97-'98

50 back	27.37	5th	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 back	58.33	7th	Pioneer Fall Classic
200 back	2:06.91	6th	Pioneer Fall Classic



Scott McHugh
Diving
5-11, 160, Senior
Grandville, Michigan
(Grandville HS)

Coach Hovland on McHugh

"Scott was 'Mr. Consistent' last year. He has come in and quietly dominated the one and three meter diving events. I fully expect that he will do the same during our schedule this year."

As a Junior (1997-98) ... He was OU's second highest scorer at the NIC Championships with 37 points ... finished first in the three meter diving with a score of 518.50 points and he placed second in the one meter diving with a score of 494.60 at the NIC Championships ... finished first in the three meter diving with a score of 284.475 against Eastern Michigan ... and placed first in the one meter diving versus Cincinnati with a score of 274.50 points.

Before OU ... Transferred to OU from Eastern Michigan University ... earned two letters at EMU under

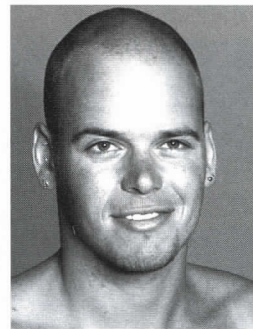
head coach Rich Karban ... qualified for the NCAA Division I zones as a freshman.

High School ... A 1993 graduate of Grandville High School in Grandville, Michigan ... earned four letters in swimming under head coach Dave Brinks ... captained the Bulldogs as a senior ... earned all-America and all-Conference honors in 1993 ... was a junior national qualifier as a junior and senior ... member of the National Honor Society.

Personal ... Born Scott Patrick McHugh on November 7, 1975 in Grand Rapids, Michigan ... parents are James McHugh and Barbara McHugh ... computer science major.

McHugh's Top Scores in '97-'98

1M (6)	274.50	1st	Cincinnati
1M (11)	494.60	2nd	NIC Championship
3M (6)	284.475	1st	Eastern Michigan
3M (11)	518.50	1st	NIC Championship



Ido Meron
Backstroke/IM
5-11, 165, Junior
Haifa, Israel (Irony Hey HS)

Coach Hovland on Meron

"Ido has been a model of consistency in the 100 and 200 backstrokes. With some slight improvement this year he should be contending for titles in both of his events."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... Placed fifth in both the 100 back (51.59) and the 200 back (1:50.90) scoring a total of 28 points at the NIC Championships ... at the Eastern Michigan Invitational he had a time of 54.01 in the 100 fly ... versus Western Kentucky he placed fourth in the 200 IM (1:59.53) ... finished second in the 50 back (26.25) at the Pioneer Fall Classic.

As a Freshman (1996-97) ... Recorded 28 points in his first NCAA Championship ... finished second in the 200 back with a 1:50.98 and eighth in the 100 back with a time of 51.91 ... earned two individual all-America honors in 1997 ... recorded Oakland's best time in the 200 back (1:50.73) at the EMU Invitational.

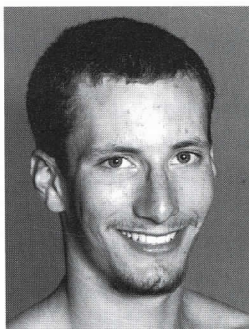


High School ... A 1994 graduate of Irony Hey High School in Haifa, Israel.

Personal ... Born Ido Meron on July 3, 1975 in Israel ... parents are Gad and Miriam Meron ... communications major ... swam for the Israeli National Team ... a 23-year-old who spent two years in the Israeli military.

Meron's Top Times in '97-'98

50 back	26.25	2nd	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 back	51.59	5th	NIC Championship
200 back	1:50.90	5th*	NIC Championship
100 fly	54.01	—	EMU Invitational
200 IM	1:59.53	4th	Western Kentucky



Nate Murphy

Freestyle

5-10, 160, Junior

Tecumseh, Michigan (Tecumseh HS)

Coach Hovland on Murphy

"Nate showed a lot of progress this past year. He has a great work ethic. He had an excellent championship meet last year. Nate is a great competitor and we will be looking for him to do well this year."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... finished third in the 200 fly (2:00.57), fourth in the 1650 free (17:17.24) and fifth in the 100 fly (54.60) at the Pioneer Invitational ... placed sixth in the 200 free (1:48.19) against Western Kentucky ... at the EMU Invitational he was timed at 4:53.24 in the 500 free ... finished sixth in the 1000 free versus Cincinnati.

As a Freshman (1996-97) ... Saw limited action in 1996-97 ... recorded his best times at the Pioneer Fall Classic (100 back/58.85), the EMU Invitational (200 free/1:47.25, 500 free/4:58.67, 1,650 free/17:09.15), at Hope (200 fly/2:07.55) and at Toledo (1,000 free/10:20.42).

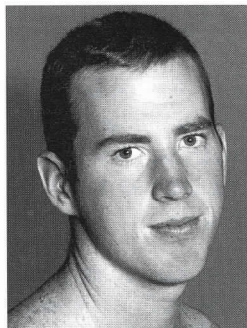
High School ... A 1996 graduate of Tecumseh High School in Tecumseh, Michigan ... swam four years under head coach Larry Reed for the Indians ... captained the Indians his senior season ... a Class B state finalist in the 200 and 500 freestyle as a prepster ... placed second in the 500 and fifth in the 200 ... earned 12 all-Conference (1993-96), four all-State (1995-96), all-

Area (1994-96) and League MVP (1994-96) honors at THS.

Personal ... Born Nate Murphy on February 7, 1978 in Tecumseh, Michigan ... nickname is Murf ... parents are Dan and Linda Murphy ... undecided on a major.

Murphy's Top Times in '97-'98

100 free	51.101	10th	Pioneer Fall Classic
200 free	1:48.19	6th	Western Kentucky
500 free	4:53.24	—	EMU Invitational
1000 free	10:09.81	6th	Cincinnati
1650 free	17:17.24	4th	Pioneer Invitational
100 fly	54.60	5th	Pioneer Invitational
200 fly	2:00.57	3rd	Pioneer Invitational



Dan Naylis

Freestyle

6-2, 194, Senior

Belmont, Michigan (Rockford HS)

Coach Hovland on Naylis

"Dan is in the best shape of his life going in to this season. We need him to come through big time both in the pool and out of the pool. Hopefully he can guide us to the next level."

As a Junior (1997-98) ... His highest finish was third in the 200 free (1:45.93) against Denison ... placed fifth in the 100 free (48.35) versus Kenyon ... at the Eastern Michigan University Invitational he finished 19th in the 500 free (4:58.30).

As a Sophomore (1996-97) ... Scored 19 points in his second NCAA Championship appearance ... was tabbed an all-American after a seventh-place finish in the 200 freestyle (1:41.28) and earned three honorable mention honors after his swims in the 100 free (13th/46.82), 1,650 free (15th/16:29.69) and 500 free (16th/4:44.27) ... he also earned an all-America honor after swimming a leg of the 800 freestyle relay that claimed the national title.

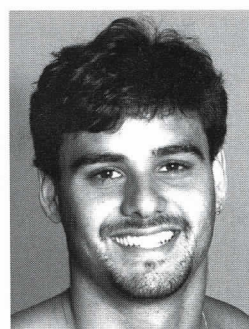
As a Freshman (1995-96) ... Earned a trio of all-America honors, living up to his billing as a solid middle-distance and distance freestyler ... was sixth in the 500 freestyle, ninth in the 200 free and 13th in the 1,650 free.

High School ... A 1994 graduate of Rockford High School in Rockford, Michigan ... an outstanding middle-distance freestyler as a prepster ... placed third in the state in the 500 at 4:35.81 and fourth in the 200 at 1:42.23.

Personal ... Born Daniel P. Naylis on October 25, 1976 in Grand Rapids, Michigan ... nickname is Red ... mother is Maureen Naylis ... general studies major.

Naylis's Top Times in '97-'98

100 free	48.35	5th	Kenyon
200 free	1:45.93	3rd	Denison
500 free	4:58.30	19th	EMU Invitational



Thiago Orso

Freestyle/Backstroke

6-0, 170, Junior

Sao Paulo, Brazil (Objetivo HS)

Coach Hovland on Orso

"Thiago will have an excellent year this year. He is gaining more and more confidence in his surroundings and his level of comfort. He is one of the most talented swimmers on the team. He is very competitive and hopefully he will use that to establish a leadership role throughout the season."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... Was OU's highest scorer in the NIC Championships with 40 points ... finished seventh in the 100 free (46.27), third in the 200 free (1:40.80) and seventh in the 500 free (4:34.28) in the NIC Championships ... finished second in the 50 free (22.43) at the Pioneer Invitational ... at the EMU Invitational he placed fifth in the 200 back (1:54.61), eighth in the 100 fly (51.48) and was timed at 52.98 in the 100 back.

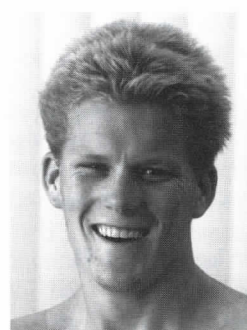
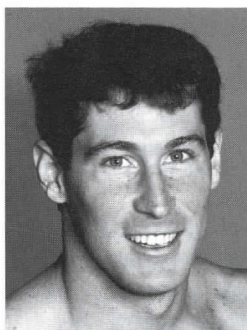
As a Freshman (1996-97) ... Scored 50 points, fourth most on the squad, at the 1997 NCAA Championship ... finished fourth in the 200 free with a 1:40.10, fourth in the 500 free with a 4:31.28, sixth in the 200 back with a 1:52.68 and 10th in the 100 back with a 51.98 ... earned three individual all-America honors and one honorable mention ... also swam a leg of the 1997 NCAA champion 800 free relay team ... swam a leg of the 400 medley relay team that finished second at the NCAAAs ... added two all-America honors with the two relay teams.

High School ... A 1994 graduate of Objetivo High School in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Personal ... Born Thiago Maule Orso on May 2, 1976 in Brazil ... parents are Waldir and Lea Orso.

Orso's Top Times in '97-'98

50 free	22.43	2nd	Pioneer Invitational
100 free	46.03	6th*	NIC Championship
200 free	1:40.80	3rd	NIC Championship
500 free	4:33.67	6th*	NIC Championship
100 back	52.98	—	EMU Invitational
200 back	1:54.61	5th	EMU Invitational
100 fly	51.48	8th	EMU Invitational



Yoav Ritter

Butterfly/Freestyle

6-1, 175, Junior

Ramat-Gan, Israel (Irony Hey HS)

Coach Hovland on Ritter

"Yoav is as good as he wants to be. He is very competitive and hopefully he can come out and establish himself as one of the premier butterfly swimmers in the conference."

As a Sophomore (1997-98) ... Totaled 25 points in the NIC Championships ... Placed fifth in the 100 fly (50.01) and eighth in the 200 fly (1:53.35) at the NIC Championships ... finished first in the 50 fly (24.17) at the Pioneer Fall Classic ... at the EMU Invitational he placed 18th in the 500 free (4:58.27).

As a Freshman (1996-97) ... Scored 44 points in his first NCAA Championship ... won the NCAA individual title in the 200 fly with his 1:50.89 ... finished third in the national meet in the 100 fly with his 49.83 and was 12th and 14th in the 1,650 freestyle (16:21.19) and 500 freestyle (4:37.99), respectively ... earned two all-America honors and two honorable mention all-America honors as an individual at the NCAA Championship ... recorded Oakland's best times in the 50, 100 and 200 fly in 1996-97.

High School ... A 1994 graduate of Irony Hey High School in Haifa, Israel ... swam under coach Avnon Avni while at IHHS.

Personal ... Born Yoav Ritter on June 6, 1975 in Israel ... parents are Nachum and Hanah Ritter ... Yoav swam for the Israeli National Team ... a five-time national champion in Israel in the butterfly events ... 23-year-old who spent two years in the Israeli military ... biology major.

Ritter's Top Times in '97-'98

500 free	4:58.27	18th	EMU Invitational
50 fly	24.17	1st	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 fly	50.01	5th	NIC Championship
200 fly	1:53.16	7th*	NIC Championship

Andy Schmit

Freestyle

6-1, 180, Freshman

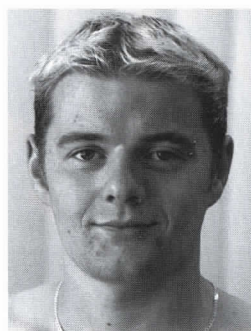
La Mesa, California (Grossmont)

Coach Hovland on Schmit

"Andy has tremendous potential. He was a big signing for us. He has a lot of confidence and I think he will fit in with the program really well and will be a major factor and a finalist in all the events that he swims."

High School ... A 1998 graduate of Grossmont High School in La Mesa, California ... swam four years under head coach Judd Hulbert ... he was a captain for the swim team his junior and senior year ... all-American in 500 free in 1997 and 1998 ... he was league champion four years in the 200 free and 500 free ... His high school swim team had a record of 39-1 during his four years at Grossmont ... his team finished second in the state championships in 1997 and third in 1998 ... he placed fifth at junior nationals in the 1650 free in 1998 for his club team ... he also captained his club team in 1997 and 1998 ... also lettered in water polo ... he graduated with honors in 1998.

Personal ... Born Andrew John Schmit on December 15, 1979 in San Diego, California ... his parents are John and Susan Schmitt.



Mark Quinn

Breaststroke

5-10, 170, Freshman

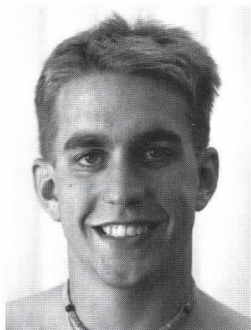
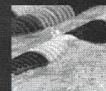
Skipton, North Yorkshire, England (Ermysteads Grammar School)

Coach Hovland on Quinn

"Mark's times have improved tremendously in the past year since we started recruiting him. I think that coming to the U.S. from England and training in this environment will aid in his developing quickly. His times in the 200 breast probably would have won the Junior Nationals this summer in the U.S. He is as good as any breaststroker coming out of high school."

High School ... A 1997 graduate of Ermysteads Grammar School in Skipton, North Yorkshire, England ... he swam for the city of Bradford Club Team ... he was national champion in the 200 breast at 16 years old ... in 1997 he was the winter nationals champion as a junior ... he also swam for the England club team his junior and senior year.

Personal ... Born Mark A. Quinn on June 21, 1979 in Keighley, England ... his parents are Joseph and Marilyn Quinn ... engineering major.



Nick Sosnowski

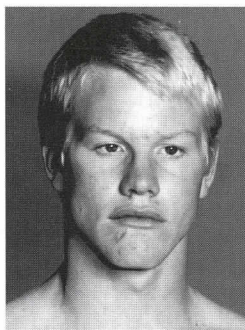
Backstroke/IM
6-0, 165, Freshman
Farmington Hills, Michigan
(Detroit Catholic Central)

Coach Hovland on Sosnowski

"Nick is an extremely bright and talented kid. He has made a lot of improvement since coming out of high school. He needs to keep improving to make that jump to the next level. He has the enthusiasm, the energy, and the work ethic to make it at this level."

High School ... A 1998 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School ... swam for the Shamrocks under head coaches Jon Teal (one year) and Dan Knipper (two years) ... earned four varsity letters at Detroit Catholic Central ... he was on the all-League team all four years, was named all State his junior and senior year, and was named to the Academic all-America team his senior year ... his sophomore year he had a time of 2:00 in the 200 IM ... during his junior year he swam the 200 IM in 1:58 and the 100 back in 54 seconds ... his senior year he swam the 200 free in 1:43, the 500 free in 4:49, the 100 back in 53.7 seconds, and the 400 IM in 4:13 ... in 1997 his team was ranked 10th in the state and finished ninth in the state championships ... was a member of the Honor Society and Phi Beta Kapa.

Personal ... Born Nicholas A. Sosnowski in Detroit, Michigan ... his parents are Leonard and Kathleen Sosnowski ... mechanical engineering major.



Eric Tunison

Backstroke/Butterfly
6-1, 165, Sophomore
Erie, Michigan (Mason HS)

Coach Hovland on Tunison

"Eric was a pleasant surprise for us last year. He is a big inspiration to the team. He works extremely hard and the guys on the team feed off that. He is a very valuable asset to our team."

As a Freshman (1997-98) ... Finished ninth in the 50 back (23.93) against Western Kentucky ... at the Pioneer Invitational he placed 11th in the 100 back (1:00.28), 11th in the 200 back (2:14.10) and 16th in the 50 fly (27.15) ... finished 20th in the 100 fly (59.39) and was timed at 2:15.46 in the 200 IM at the EMU Invitational.

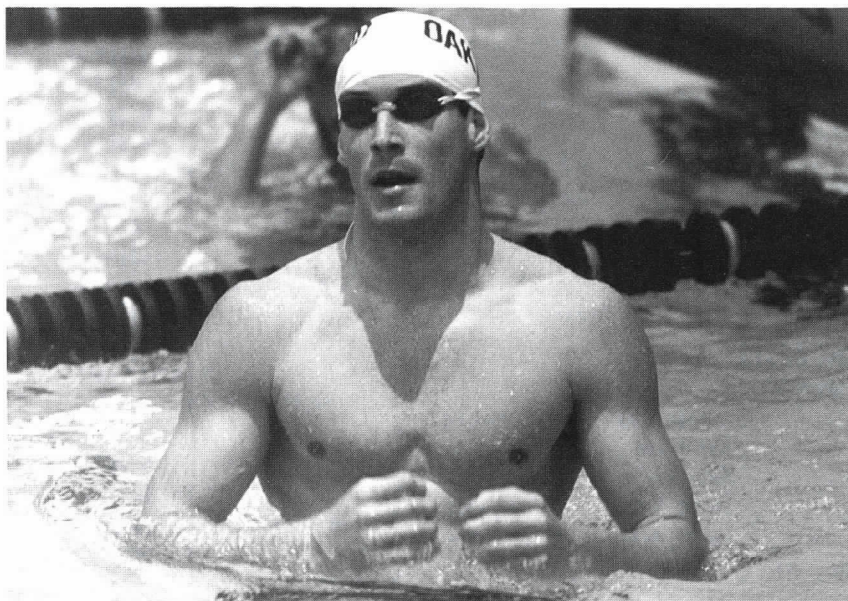
High School ... A 1997 graduate of Erie Mason High School in Erie, Michigan ... earned four letters in swimming under head coach Jack Michael ... earned all-League and all-County his final three years with the Eagles ... named to the all-Region team as a junior and senior and earned all-America plaudits his senior season ... the Eagles went 46-2 in his four years ... captained the 1996-97 swim team, the 1996 football team and the 1997 track team ... also lettered twice in track and once in football ... member of the National Honor Society and Students Against Drunk Driving ... salutatorian of his senior class ... class vice president as a junior.

Personal ... Born Eric C. Tunison on March 13, 1979 in Toledo, Ohio ... nickname is Tuna ... parents are Ray and Chris Tunison ... electrical engineering major.

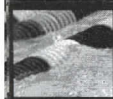
Tunison's Top Times in '97-'98

50 back	23.93	9th	Western Kentucky
100 back	1:00.28	11th	Pioneer Invitational
200 back	2:14.10	11th	Pioneer Invitational
50 fly	27.15	16th	Pioneer Invitational
100 fly	59.39	20th	EMU Invitational
200 IM	2:15.46	—	EMU Invitational

*Preliminary Round of NIC Championship



Yoav Ritter

**1997-98 RESULTS**

Date	Meet	Score	OU Result
Oct. 19	PIONEER FALL CLASSIC	NTS	
Dec. 5-6	at Eastern Michigan Invitational	3rd of 8 (483.50)	
Jan. 10	DENISON	143.5-97.5	W
Jan. 16	at Kenyon	101-138	L
Jan. 23-24	PIONEER INVITATIONAL	1st of 3 (880.00)	
Jan. 30	EASTERN MICHIGAN	107-136	L
Feb. 6	at Cincinnati	145-91	L
Feb. 7	at Western Kentucky	124-113	L
Feb. 26-28	at NIC Championship	5th of 8 (404.00)	

BEST TIMES

Event	Athlete	Time/Score	Event
50 free	Courtney Dunlap	20.95	NIC Championship
100 free	Courtney Dunlap	45.93	NIC Championship
200 free	Thiago Orso	1:40.80	NIC Championship
500 free	Thiago Orso	4:33.67	NIC Championship
1000 free	Matt Henderson	9:58.12	Western Kentucky
1650 free	Karl Kozicki	16:54.72	EMU Invitational
50 back	Ido Meron	24.38	NIC Championship
100 back	Ido Meron	51.59	NIC Championship
200 back	Ido Meron	1:50.90	NIC Championship
50 breast	Randy Cobb	29.15	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 breast	Randy Cobb	58.35	NIC Championship
200 breast	Randy Cobb	2:06.93	NIC Championship
50 fly	Yoav Ritter	24.17	Pioneer Fall Classic
100 fly	Yoav Ritter	50.01	NIC Championship
200 fly	Yoav Ritter	1:53.16	NIC Championship
200 IM	David Puchi	1:56.28	NIC Championship
400 IM	Karl Kozicki	4:04.69	NIC Championship
200 medley relay	Meron, Belco, Ritter, Bobzien	1:33.63	NIC Championship
400 medley relay	Meron, Cobb, Ritter, Orso	3:24.62	NIC Championship
200 free relay	Dunlap, Bobzien, Orso, Duncan	1:22.49	NIC Championship
400 free relay	Dunlap, Orso, Bobzien, Duncan	3:04.99	NIC Championship
800 free relay	Naylis, Orso, Brown, Ritter	6:49.98	NIC Championship
1-meter diving (6)	Scott McHugh	274.50	Cincinnati
3-meter diving (6)	Scott McHugh	284.475	Eastern Michigan
1-meter diving (11)	Scott McHugh	494.60	NIC Championship
3-meter diving (11)	Scott McHugh	518.50	NIC Championship

EVENT BESTS**50 freestyle**

20.95	Courtney Dunlap	NIC Championship*
20.96	Kevin Bobzien	NIC Championship*
21.00	Kevin Bobzien	NIC Championship
21.11	Courtney Dunlap	NIC Championship
21.12	Courtney Dunlap	NIC Championship

100 Freestyle

45.93	Courtney Dunlap	NIC Championship
45.97	Courtney Dunlap	NIC Championship*
46.03	Thiago Orso	NIC Championship*
46.27	Thiago Orso	NIC Championship
46.40	Courtney Dunlap	NIC Championship

200 Freestyle

1:40.80	Thiago Orso	NIC Championship
1:41.12	Thiago Orso	NIC Championship*
1:42.65	Wesley Brown	NIC Championship*
1:42.81	Courtney Dunlap	NIC Championship*
1:43.79	Dan Naylis	NIC Championship

500 Freestyle

4:33.67	Thiago Orso	NIC Championship*
4:34.28	Thiago Orso	NIC Championship
4:34.72	Matt Henderson	NIC Championship
4:37.78	Karl Kozicki	NIC Championship*
4:45.76	Matt Henderson	Eastern Michigan

1000 Freestyle

9:58.12	Matt Henderson	Western Kentucky
9:59.85	Karl Kozicki	Eastern Michigan
10:01.36	Karl Kozicki	Kenyon
10:05.27	David Puchi	Denison
10:05.09	Karl Kozicki	Western Kentucky

1650 Freestyle

16:54.72	Karl Kozicki	EMU Invitational
16:58.93	Matt Henderson	Pioneer Invitational
17:06.59	Karl Kozicki	Pioneer Invitational
17:17.24	Nate Murphy	Pioneer Invitational
17:32.74	Randy Cobb	Pioneer Invitational

50 Backstroke

24.38	Ido Meron	NIC Championship
25.49	Mark Gole	Pioneer Fall Classic
26.25	Ido Meron	Pioneer Fall Classic
27.37	Kurt Knoper	Pioneer Fall Classic
28.76	Eric Tunison	Pioneer Fall Classic

100 Backstroke

51.59	Ido Meron	NIC Championship
51.88	Ido Meron	NIC Championship*
52.08	Ido Meron	NIC Championship
52.68	Ido Meron	EMU Invitational
53.41	Ido Meron	Pioneer Invitational

200 Backstroke

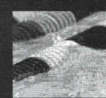
1:50.90	Ido Meron	NIC Championship*
1:51.26	Ido Meron	NIC Championship
1:52.97	Ido Meron	Eastern Michigan
1:53.22	Ido Meron	Western Kentucky
1:54.30	Ido Meron	EMU Invitational

50 Breaststroke

29.15	Randy Cobb	Pioneer Fall Classic
29.18	David Puchi	Pioneer Fall Classic
29.63	Andy Belco	Pioneer Fall Classic
29.70	Wade Washburn	Pioneer Fall Classic

100 Breaststroke

58.35	Randy Cobb	NIC Championship*
58.70	Randy Cobb	NIC Championship
59.61	Andy Belco	NIC Championship*
59.89	Randy Cobb	EMU Invitational
1:00.00	Andy Belco	NIC Championship

**200 Breaststroke**

2:06.93	Randy Cobb	NIC Championship*
2:07.05	Randy Cobb	NIC Championship
2:11.30	Randy Cobb	EMU Invitational
2:11.49	Randy Cobb	Eastern Michigan
2:12.11	Randy Cobb	Western Kentucky

50 Butterfly

24.17	Yoav Ritter	Pioneer Fall Classic
25.25	Courtney Dunlap	Pioneer Fall Classic
25.58	Scott Beebe	Pioneer Fall Classic
25.61	Kevin Bobzien	Pioneer Fall Classic
25.65	Todd Duncan	Pioneer Fall Classic

100 Butterfly

50.01	Yoav Ritter	NIC Championship
50.20	Yoav Ritter	NIC Championship*
51.11	Yoav Ritter	Pioneer Invitational
51.40	Yoav Ritter	Cincinnati
51.48	Thiago Orso	EMU Invitational

200 Butterfly

1:53.16	Yoav Ritter	NIC Championship*
1:53.35	Yoav Ritter	NIC Championship
1:54.57	Yoav Ritter	Western Kentucky
1:55.25	Matt Henderson	NIC Championship*
1:55.40	Yoav Ritter	Eastern Michigan

200 Individual Medley

1:56.28	David Puchi	NIC Championship*
1:56.32	David Puchi	NIC Championship
1:56.38	Erich Kelly	NIC Championship*
1:56.40	Erich Kelly	NIC Championship
1:58.61	Matt Henderson	Eastern Michigan

400 Individual Medley

4:04.69	Karl Kozicki	NIC Championship
4:05.53	Karl Kozicki	NIC Championship*
4:05.58	Matt Henderson	NIC Championship
4:05.96	Matt Henderson	NIC Championship*
4:09.66	David Puchi	NIC Championship

200 Freestyle Relay

1:22.49	Courtney Dunlap Kevin Bobzien Thiago Orso Todd Duncan	NIC Championship
1:25.52	Courtney Dunlap Todd Duncan Kevin Bobzien Thiago Orso	Pioneer Invitational
1:26.92	Courtney Dunlap Thiago Orso Yoav Ritter Ido Meron	EMU Invitational
1:27.30	Courtney Dunlap Thiago Orso Todd Duncan Kevin Bobzien	Cincinnati
1:30.32	Yoav Ritter Doug Redway Matt Henderson Dan Naylis	Cincinnati

400 Freestyle Relay

3:04.99	Courtney Dunlap Thiago Orso Kevin Bobzien Todd Duncan	NIC Championship
3:09.47	Courtney Dunlap Dan Naylis Yoav Ritter Thiago Orso	EMU Invitational
3:09.56	Todd Duncan Yoav Ritter Dan Naylis Thiago Orso	Western Kentucky
3:10.04	Courtney Dunlap Yoav Ritter Dan Naylis Thiago Orso	Eastern Michigan
3:11.63	Courtney Dunlap Dan Naylis Yoav Ritter Kevin Bobzien	Pioneer Invitational

800 Freestyle Relay

6:49.98	Dan Naylis Thiago Orso Wesley Brown Yoav Ritter	NIC Championship
7:12.83	Thiago Orso Dan Naylis Courtney Dunlap Yoav Ritter	EMU Invitational
7:20.87	Wesley Brown Karl Kozicki Nate Murphy Doug Redway	EMU Invitational

200 Medley Relay

1:33.63	Ido Meron Andy Belco Yoav Ritter Kevin Bobzien	NIC Championship
1:36.58	Ido Meron Randy Cobb Yoav Ritter Kevin Bobzien	Cincinnati
1:37.03	Ido Meron Randy Cobb Yoav Ritter Courtney Dunlap	Pioneer Invitational
1:37.46	Ido Meron Yoav Ritter Randy Cobb Courtney Dunlap	EMU Invitational
1:39.15	Erich Kelly Andy Belco Scott Beebe Kevin Bobzien	Pioneer Invitational

400 Medley Relay

3:24.62	Ido Meron Randy Cobb Yoav Ritter Thiago Orso	NIC Championship
3:28.68	Ido Meron Randy Cobb Yoav Ritter Courtney Dunlap	Western Kentucky
3:30.45	Ido Meron Randy Cobb Yoav Ritter Thiago Orso	Eastern Michigan
3:32.54	Ido Meron Randy Cobb Yoav Ritter Courtney Dunlap	Pioneer Invitational

1M Diving (6)

274.50	Scott McHugh	Cincinnati
242.925	Joseph Noto	Denison
240.675	Scott McHugh	Denison
240.0	Scott McHugh	Eastern Michigan
212.77	Joseph Noto	Cincinnati

1M Diving (11)

494.60	Scott McHugh	NIC Championship
383.05	Scott McHugh	EMU Invitational
320.70	Joseph Noto	NIC Championship
283.95	Joseph Noto	EMU Invitational
253.05	Jamie Honce	EMU Invitational

3M Diving (6)

284.475	Scott McHugh	Eastern Michigan
282.60	Scott McHugh	Cincinnati
240.3	Scott McHugh	Denison
225.075	Joseph Noto	Denison
199.20	Joseph Noto	Cincinnati

3M Diving (11)

518.50	Scott McHugh	NIC Championship
489.15	Scott McHugh	EMU Invitational
479.55	Scott McHugh	NIC Championship*
352.45	Joseph Noto	EMU Invitational
337.60	Joseph Noto	NIC Championship*

*Preliminary Round of NIC Championship

1998 NIC INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Swimmer/Event	Time	Place	Points	Total Points
Andy Belco 100 breast	1:00.00	16th	1	1
Kevin Bobzien 50 freestyle 100 freestyle	21.00 47.03	5th 14th	14 3	17
Wesley Brown 200 freestyle	1:44.51	16th	1	1
Randy Cobb 100 breast 200 breast	58.70 2:07.05	8th 9th	11 9	20
Courtney Dunlap 50 freestyle 100 freestyle 200 freestyle	21.11 45.93 1:44.11	7th 5th 15th	12 14 2	28
Matthew Henderson 400 IM 200 fly	4:05.58 1:56.19	11th 15th	6 2	8
Erich Kelly 200 IM 400 IM 200 back	1:56.40 4:13.66 1:56.31	12th 16th 13th	5 1 4	10
Karl Kozicki 500 freestyle 400 IM	4:34.72 4:04.69	11th 10th	6 7	13
Scott McHugh 1M diving 3M diving	494.60 518.50	2nd 1st	17 20	37
Ido Meron 100 back 200 back	51.59 1:51.26	5th 5th	14 14	28
Joe Noto 1M diving 3M diving	320.70 330.75	7th 7th	12 12	24
Thaigo Orso 100 freestyle 200 freestyle 500 freestyle	46.27 1:40.80 4:34.28	7th 3rd 7th	12 16 12	40
David Pucci II 200 IM 400 IM	1:56.32 4:09.66	11th 15th	6 2	8
Yoav Ritter 100 fly 200 fly	50.01 1:53.35	5th 8th	14 11	25

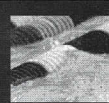
YEAR-BY-YEAR RESULTS

Year	Dual Meet Record	Conference	NIC	NCAA
1965	6-3-1	—	—	—
1966	11-9	—	—	—
1967	7-5	—	—	—
1968	11-4	—	—	—
1969	13-6	—	—	17th
1970	9-7	—	—	29th
1971	4-9	—	—	17th
1972	5-11	—	—	37th
1973	7-7	—	—	—
1974	10-6	—	—	7th
1975	11-1	—	—	4th
1976	5-5	1st	—	3rd
1977	5-2	1st	—	5th
1978	8-3	1st	—	3rd
1979	6-4	—	—	2nd
1980	7-3	—	—	1st
1981	8-3	1st	—	2nd
1982	5-5-1	1st	—	3rd
1983	11-1	1st	—	2nd
1984	9-4	1st	—	2nd
1985	5-6	1st	—	6th
1986	8-3	1st	—	3rd
1987	9-3	1st	—	2nd
1988	8-2	1st	—	2nd
1989	8-3	1st	—	2nd
1990	7-4	1st	—	2nd
1991	10-3	1st	—	2nd
1992	8-3	1st	—	3rd
1993	5-5	1st	—	2nd
1994	9-0	1st	—	1st
1995	8-0	—	—	1st
1996	8-1	1st	—	1st
1997	11-2	1st	—	1st
1998	2-4	Not Eligible	5th	Not Eligible
Total	264-137-2	(34 years)		

Note: Division I, Mid-Continent Conference, National Independent Conference (1998-present), Division II (1965-1998), GLIAC (1976-1997)



Junior Erich Kelly played the Star Spangled Banner prior to OU's final home meet in 1997-98.



1998-99 OPPONENTS

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

October 23, in Bowling Green, OH
Bowling Green Relays

Location Bowling Green, Ohio
Enrollment 17,600
Nickname Falcons
Colors Orange & Brown
Conference Mid-American
Home Arena Cooper Pool
Arena Capacity 2,500
Athletic Director Dr. Ron Zwiernlein
Men's Swimming SID Jeff Weiss
Weiss's Work Phone (419) 372-7077
Weiss's Home Phone (419) 885-0000
Weiss's Email Address weissj@bgsu.edu
Weiss's Fax Number (419) 372-6015
Head Coach Randy Julian (Southern Illinois-Carbondale '90)
Phone (419) 372-2060
Best Time to Reach: Weekdays (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.)
Record at School (Years) 6-31 (3)
Career Record (Years) 6-31 (3)
1997-98 Overall Record 2-13
1997-98 Conference Record 1-5
1997-98 Postseason MAC Championship-6th
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 10/9
Top Returnees (name, year, position) Jeff Allen, Senior, Diving.
Bill Roehl, Sophomore, Backstroke/IM.

MICHIGAN STATE

October 30 in Rochester
Golden Grizzly Quadrangular

Location East Lansing, Michigan
Enrollment 42,603
Nickname Spartans
Colors Green & White
Conference Big Ten
Home Arena Charles McCaffree Pool
Arena Capacity 2,000
Athletic Director Merritt J. Narvett Jr.
Men's Swimming SID Nate Ewell
Ewell's Work Phone (517) 355-2271
Ewell's Home Phone (517) 333-8429
Ewell's Email Address ewell@msu.edu
Ewell's Fax Number (517) 353-9636
Head Coach Richard Bader (Clemson '80)
Phone (517) 355-5261
Best Time to Reach: Late mornings
Record at School (Years) 52-34 (9)
Career Record (Years) 52-34 (9)
1997-98 Overall Record 0-7
1997-98 Conference Record 0-5
1997-98 Postseason 10th in Big Ten Championship
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 13/3
Top Returnees (name, year, position) Chad Gaden, Sophomore, Freestyle. John Munley, Sophomore, Freestyle. Mike Mulshine, Senior, Butterfly. Fred Scharmer, Junior, IM/Backstroke/Butterfly.

MICHIGAN

October 30 in Rochester
Golden Grizzly Quadrangular

Location Ann Arbor, Michigan
Enrollment 36,450
Nickname Wolverines
Colors Maize & Blue
Conference Big Ten
Home Arena Casbam Natatorium
Arena Capacity 1,200
Athletic Director Tom Goss
Men's Swimming SID Barb Cossman
Cossman's Work Phone (734) 763-4423
Cossman's Email Address bcossman@umich.edu
Cossman's Fax Number (734) 647-1188
Head Coach John Urbanchek (Michigan '61)
Phone (734) 647-0500
Best Time to Reach: late morning-early afternoons
Record at School (Years) 124-16 (16)
Career Record (Years) 124-16 (16)
1997-98 Overall Record 4-1
1997-98 Conference Record 3-0
1997-98 Postseason 2nd in Big Ten, 12th NCAA
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 21/5
Top Returnees (name, year, position) Tom Malchew, Senior, Butterfly. Chris Thompson, Sophomore, Distance. Scott Werner, Sophomore, Breaststroke.

EASTERN MICHIGAN

October 30 in Rochester
(Golden Grizzly Quadrangular),
December 4-5 in Ypsilanti
(Eastern Michigan Invitational),
January 29 in Ypsilanti

Location Ypsilanti, Michigan
Enrollment 23,000
Nickname Eagles
Colors Green & White
Conference Mid-American
Home Arena Michael H. Jones Natatorium
Arena Capacity 1,000
Athletic Director Carole Huston
Men's Swimming SID Tom Wywrot
Wywrot's Work Phone (734) 487-0318
Wywrot's Home Phone (734) 528-0244
Wywrot's Email Address tom.wywrot@emich.edu
Wywrot's Fax Number (734) 485-3840
Head Coach Peter Linn
Alma Mater (Year) Eastern Michigan (1973)
Phone (734) 487-3079
Record at School (Years) 70-25 (10)
Career Record (Years) 70-25 (10)
1997-98 Overall Record 12-3, MAC Champions
1997-98 Conference Record 5-1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 34/3
Top Returnees (name, year, position) Mark Leonard, Senior, All-America, Distance. Eric Seidelman, Junior, Freestyle. Eric Zwinger, Junior, Distance. Chris Dix, Senior, Sprint. Josh Bateman, Sophomore, Backstroke. Mark Dell, Junior, Butterfly.

WRIGHT STATE

November 6 in Dayton, OH

Location Dayton, Ohio
Enrollment 16,033
Nickname Raiders
Colors Hunter Green
Conference Midwestern Collegiate
Home Arena WSU Natatorium
Arena Capacity 500
Athletic Director Dr. Michael Cusack
Men's Swimming SID Rob Link
Link's Work Phone (937) 775-3666
Link's Fax Number (937) 775-2818
Head Coach Matt Liddy (Wright State '85)
Phone (937) 775-2771
Best Time to Reach: Mornings
Record at School (Years) 63-48 (Nine)
Career Record (Years) 63-48 (Nine)
1997-98 Overall Record 5-7
1997-98 Conference Record Third in MCC Meet
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 9/5
Top Returnees (name, year, position) Jason Rierkamp, Junior, Freestyle/Butterfly. Erik Spieler, Senior, Freestyle.

TOLEDO

November 7 in Toledo, OH

Location Toledo, Ohio
Enrollment 20,307
Nickname Rockets
Colors Midnight Blue & Gold
Conference Mid-American
Home Arena Recreation Center
Athletic Director Pete Liske
Men's Swimming SID Jennifer Rupp
Rupp's Work Phone (419) 530-3792
Rupp's Home Phone (419) 381-9865
Rupp's Email Address jrupp2@utmet.toledo.edu
Rupp's Fax Number (419) 530-3795
Head Coach Brian Sharar (Ball State '84)
Phone (419) 530-2782
Best Time to Reach: Call SID Office
Record at School (Years) 39-31-1 (Three)
Career Record (Years) 102-59-1 (Eight)
1997-98 Overall Record 10-0
1997-98 Conference Record 6-0
1997-98 Postseason 2nd in MAC Championship
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 16/11
Top Returnees (name, year, position) Dan Fries, Senior, Freestyle/Breaststroke. Tim McCann, Senior, Freestyle/Backstroke. Jeff Rosepapa, Senior, Freestyle.

1998-99 OPPONENTS

BUFFALO

November 21 in Buffalo, NY

Location Buffalo, New York
 Enrollment 24,000
 Nickname Bulls
 Colors Royal Blue & White
 Conference Mid-American Conference
 Home Arena Alumni Natatorium
 Arena Capacity 1,000
 Athletic Director Bob Arkeplane
 Men's Swimming SID Alison Wagner
 Wagner's Work Phone (716) 645-6311
 Wagner's Home Phone (716) 694-0091
 Wagner's Fax Number (716) 645-3130
 Head Coach Budd Termin (Clarion University '79)
 Phone (716) 645-3130

KENYON

January 15 in Rochester

Location Gambier, Ohio
 Enrollment 1,550
 Nickname Lords
 Colors Purple & White
 Conference North Coast Athletic
 Home Arena Ernst Center
 Arena Capacity 500
 Athletic Director Robert D. Bunnell
 Men's Swimming SID Joe Wasiluk
 Wasiluk's Work Phone (740) 427-5471
 Wasiluk's Home Phone (740) 392-6732
 Wasiluk's Email Address wasiluk@kenyon.edu
 Wasiluk's Fax Number (740) 427-5401
 Head Coach Jim Steen (Kent State University '71)
 Phone (740) 427-5554
 Best Time to Reach: 9 a.m. to 3p.m.
 Record at School (Years) 148-105 (22)
 Career Record (Years) Same
 1997-98 Overall Record 7-7
 1997-98 Conference Record First Place
 1997-98 Postseason NCAA Division III Champions (19th
 Consecutive Year)
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 21/7
 Top Returnees (name, year, position) Darrick Bollinger, Jr.,
 Sprints. John Newland, Sr., Back. Lloyd Baron, So., Sprints. Tom
 Rushton, So., Back, IM, Fly.

FLORIDA ATLANTIC

January 23 in Boca Raton, FL

Location Boca Raton, Florida
 Enrollment 20,000
 Nickname Owls
 Colors Blue & Grey
 Conference Independent
 Home Arena FAU Pool
 Athletic Director Tom Cargill
 Men's Swimming SID Katrina McCormack
 McCormack's Work Phone (561) 297-3163
 McCormack's Home Phone (561) 367-9467
 McCormack's Email Address kmccorma@fau.edu
 McCormack's Fax Number (561) 297-2966
 Head Coach Steve Eckelkamp (St. Thomas)
 Phone (561) 297-3784
 Best Time to Reach: Morning
 Record at School (Years) First
 Career Record (Years) First
 1997-98 Overall Record 7-7
 1997-98 Conference Record NA
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 16/4
 Top Returnees (name, year, position) Oliver Agh

DENISON

January 30 in Rochester

Location Granville, Ohio
 Enrollment 2000
 Nickname Big Red
 Colors Red & White
 Conference North Coast Athletic Conference
 Home Arena Mike Gregory Swimming Pool
 Arena Capacity 500
 Athletic Director Larry Schiederer
 Men's Swimming SID Jack Hire
 Hire's Work Phone (740) 587-6546
 Hire's Home Phone (740) 587-2104
 Hire's Email Address hire@denison.edu
 Hire's Fax Number (740) 587-6362
 Head Coach Gregg Parini (Kenyon College '82)
 Phone (740) 587-6678
 Best Time to Reach: 8:30-11:30 a.m.

OHIO

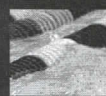
February 5 in Rochester

Location Athens, Ohio
 Enrollment 27,605
 Nickname Bobcats
 Colors Hunter Green & White
 Conference Mid-American
 Home Arena The Convo
 Arena Capacity 13,000
 Athletic Director Thomas Boeh
 Men's Swimming SID TBA
 Men's SID Work Phone (740) 593-1298
 Men's SID Home Phone TBA
 Men's SID Email Address TBA
 Men's SID Fax Number (740) 593-2420
 Head Coach Greg Werner (South Carolina '84)
 Phone (740) 593-1612
 Best Time to Reach: Weekday Mornings
 Record at School (Years) 15-19 (three)
 Career Record (Years) 15-19 (three)
 1997-98 Overall Record 7-5
 1997-98 Conference Record 3-2
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 18/5
 Top Returnees (name, year, position) Nick Mellilo,
 Vermund Vetnes, Doug Grebe, Brian Peresie.

CINCINNATI

February 6 in Rochester

Location Cincinnati, Ohio
 Enrollment 35,000
 Nickname Bearcats
 Colors Red & Black
 Conference National Independent Conference
 Home Arena Laurence Pool
 Arena Capacity 700
 Athletic Director Bob Gohn
 Men's Swimming SID Jeremy Hartigan
 Hartigan's Work Phone (513) 556-5191
 Hartigan's Home Phone (513) 721-4519
 Hartigan's Fax Number (513) 556-0619
 Head Coach Monty Hopkins (Cincinnati '78)
 Phone (513) 556-0564
 Best Time to Reach: mornings
 Record at School (Years) 61-48
 Career Record (Years) 61-48
 1997-98 Overall Record 12-2
 1997-98 Conference Record 3-0
 1997-98 Postseason NIC Championships
 1st of 8. NCAA Championships 23th
 Top Returnees (name, year, position) Steven McLead,
 Sophomore, Backstroke/Freestyle. Hanza Vltazka, Junior,
 Backstroke/Freestyle/IM. Ian Hershey, Senior, Diving.



Men's Swimming & Diving Records

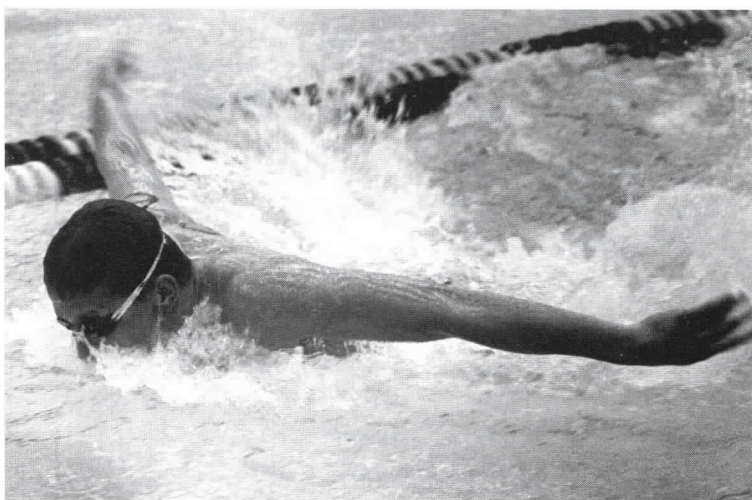
Event	School	Record Holder	Time	Year
50 freestyle		Raffi Karapetian	20.09	1996
100 freestyle		Hilton Woods	44.16	1990
200 freestyle		Hilton Woods	1:38.35	1989
500 freestyle		James Collins	4:28.32	1996
1,000 freestyle		David Paxton	9:29.77	1995
1,650 freestyle		David Paxton	15:39.97	1995
100 butterfly		Eric McIlquham	48.60	1992
200 butterfly		Doug Allen	1:49.52	1991
100 backstroke		Chris Zoltak	48.75	1996
200 backstroke		Chris Zoltak	1:47.93	1995
100 breaststroke		Mark VanderMey	55.17	1988
200 breaststroke		Mark VanderMey	1:58.77	1987
200 individual medley		Mark VanderMey	1:50.31	1988
400 individual medley		Randy Teeters	3:57.89	1996
1-meter diving (6)		Dario DiFazio	340.05	1994
1-meter diving (11)		Dario DiFazio	633.75	1995
3-meter diving (6)		Dario DiFazio	359.175	1994
3-meter diving (11)		Dario DiFazio	651.76	1995
200 freestyle relay		Teal, McIlquham, Seifert, Orr	1:20.95	1991
400 freestyle relay		McIlquham, Teal, Kovach, Woods	2:59.58	1990
800 freestyle relay		Collins, Kristensen, Albiero, Ehlen	6:38.88	1996
200 medley relay		Orr, Michaels, McIlquham, Seifert	1:30.27	1991
400 medley relay		Boyd, Van Norman, McIlquham, Teal	3:18.40	1992

Event	Record Holder	School	Time	Year
50 freestyle	Hilton Woods	OU	20.87	1989
100 freestyle	Gustavo Borges	UM	45.44	1991
200 freestyle	Dennis Mulvihill	Kenyon	1:40.71	1987
500 freestyle	K. Miller	EMU	4:33.67	1983
1,000 freestyle	K. Miller	EMU	9:28.66	1984
1,650 freestyle	Matt Croghan	OU	16:16.04	1986
100 butterfly	Mark McDowell	OU	50.48	1988
200 butterfly	A. Boyd	Toronto	1:52.94	1990
100 backstroke	Carl Boyd	OU	50.98	1992
200 backstroke	Steve Bigelow	UM	1:50.94	1991
100 breaststroke	Mark VanderMey	OU	57.32	1988
200 breaststroke	Mark VanderMey	OU	2:05.97	1988
200 individual medley	R. Watson	Toronto	1:51.94	1990
400 individual medley	Randy Teeters	OU	4:06.86	1996
1-meter diving (6)	Dario DiFazio	OU	340.05	1994
1-meter diving (11)	Dario DiFazio	OU	554.125	1995
3-meter diving (6)	Dario DiFazio	OU	359.175	1994
3-meter diving (11)	Dario DiFazio	OU	594.00	1985
200 freestyle relay	Peters, Seifert, Pritchett, Teal	OU	1:24.44	1991
400 freestyle relay	Teal, Seifert, McIlquham, Woods	OU	3:05.25	1991
800 freestyle relay	Collins, Albiero, Kristensen, Ehlen	OU	6:57.61	1996
200 medley relay	Boyd, Van Norman, McIlquham, Teal	OU	1:34.98	1992
400 medley relay	Albiero, Arndt, Zoltak, Bailey	OU	3:28.32	1994

Golden Grizzlies in the NCAA Championships

1969	17th	1986	3rd
1970	29th	1987	2nd
1971	17th	1988	2nd
1972	37th	1989	2nd
1974	7th	1990	2nd
1975	4th	1991	2nd
1976	3rd	1992	3rd
1977	5th	1993	2nd
1978	3rd	1994	1st
1979	2nd	1995	1st
1980	1st	1996	1st
1981	2nd	1997	1st
1982	3rd	1998	n/a
1983	2nd		
1984	2nd		
1985	6th		

note: Division I - 1998-Present,
Division II - 1965-1997



Scott Beebe

Oakland's National Champions

Event	Athlete	Year	Event	Athlete	Year	Event	Athlete	Year
50 freestyle	Hilton Woods	1988	200 backstroke	Mark Doyle	1978	200 medley		
	Hilton Woods	1989		Mark Doyle	1980	relay	Richie Orr, Jim Surowiec, Eric McIlquham, Dave Rogowski	1989
	Hilton Woods	1990		Mark Doyle	1981		Richie Orr, Jim Surowiec, Eric McIlquham, Jon Teal	1990
	Morgan Bailey	1994		Jeff Colton	1983		Richie Orr, Matt Michaels, Eric McIlquham, Jeff Seifert	1991
	Raffi Karapetian	1996		Chris Zoltak	1995		Carl Boyd, Jeff Van Norman, Eric McIlquham, Jeff Seifert	1992
100 freestyle	Hilton Woods	1990	100 breaststroke	Mark VanderMey	1986		Carl Boyd, Jeff Van Norman, Chris Zoltak, Enos Pritchett	1993
	Jon Teal	1992		Mark VanderMey	1987		Morgan Bailey, Adric Arndt, Chris Zoltak, Sean Peters	1994
200 freestyle	Mark Vagle	1980		Mark VanderMey	1988		Morgan Bailey, Randy Teeters, Chris Zoltak, Joe Snyder	1995
	Mark Vagle	1981	200 breaststroke	Mark VanderMey	1988		Chris Zoltak, Randy Teeters, Joe Snyder, Raffi Karapetian	1996
	Hilton Woods	1989		Jay Judson	1996	400 medley		
	James Collins	1995		Jay Judson	1997	relay	Jeff Colton, Tracy Huth, Alan Faust, Darin Abbasse	1983
500 freestyle	Paul Karas	1974	200 IM	Tom Boyd	1978		Hilton Woods, Mark VanderMey, Mike Nation, Dave Rogowski	1988
	Erik Strom	1989		Tracy Huth	1981		Richie Orr, Jim Surowiec, Eric Dresbach, Hilton Woods	1989
	David Paxton	1994		Tracy Huth	1982		Richie Orr, Jim Surowiec, Eric McIlquham, Hilton Woods	1990
	David Paxton	1995		Tracy Huth	1983		Richie Orr, Matt Michaels, Eric McIlquham, Jon Teal	1991
1,650 freestyle	Mike Schmidt	1983		Tracy Huth	1984		Carl Boyd, Jeff Van Norman, Eric McIlquham, Jon Teal	1992
	David Paxton	1994		Mark VanderMey	1988		Morgan Bailey, Jay Judson, Chris Zoltak, Jens Kristensen	1995
	David Paxton	1995		Doug Allen	1991		Chris Zoltak, Jay Judson, Joe Snyder, Ken Ehlen	1996
100 butterfly	Eric McIlquham	1990		Doug Allen	1992	200 freestyle		
	Eric McIlquham	1992		Arthur Albiero	1995	relay	Dave Rogowski, Jeff Seifert, Jon Teal, Eric McIlquham	1989
	Chris Zoltak	1993	400 IM	Tracy Huth	1981		Eric McIlquham, Enos Pritchett, Richie Orr, Jon Teal	1990
	Chris Zoltak	1994		Tracy Huth	1982		Jon Teal, Eric McIlquham, Jeff Seifert, Richie Orr	1991
	Chris Zoltak	1995		Tracy Huth	1983		Eric McIlquham, Jeff Seifert, Enos Pritchett, Jon Teal	1992
200 butterfly	Paul Karas	1976		Tracy Huth	1984		Morgan Bailey, Sean Peters, Jon Stump, Enos Pritchett	1993
	Ian Dittus	1979		Doug Allen	1991		Morgan Bailey, Joe Snyder, Ken Ehlen, Chris Zoltak	1995
	Ian Dittus	1980		David Paxton	1995		Raffi Karapetian, Joe Snyder, Mark Gole, Randy Teeters	1996
	Doug Allen	1991	One-meter				Raffi Karapetian, Mark Gole, Joe Snyder, Ken Ehlen	1997
	Yoav Ritter	1997	diving	Marc Hairston	1991			
100 backstroke	Mark Doyle	1978		Marc Hairston	1992	400 freestyle		
	Mark Doyle	1979		Dario DiFazio	1994	relay	Darin Abbasse, Tracy Huth, Gordon Gehab, Mark Vagle	1981
	Mark Doyle	1980					Dave Rogowski, Eric Dresbach, Eric McIlquham, Hilton Woods	1989
	Mark Doyle	1981					Eric McIlquham, Jon Teal, John Kovach, Hilton Woods	1990
	Jeff Colton	1983	Three-meter	Dario DiFazio	1994		Sean Peters, Morgan Bailey, Enos Pritchett, Chris Zoltak	1993
	Steve Larson	1987	diving	Dario DiFazio	1995		James Collins, Ken Ehlen, Sean Peters, Morgan Bailey	1994
	Carl Boyd	1992					Morgan Bailey, Joe Snyder, Ken Ehlen, Jens Kristensen	1995
	Chris Zoltak	1995					Ken Ehlen, Jens Kristensen, Chris Zoltak, Raffi Karapetian	1996
	Chris Zoltak	1996					Raffi Karapetian, Mark Gole, Joe Snyder, Ken Ehlen	1997
						800 freestyle		
						relay	Mike O'Hagen, Gordon Gehab, Ian Dittus, Mark Vagle	1980
							Mike O'Hagen, Mark Vagle, Gordon Gehab, Tracy Huth	1981
							Craig Chappell, Steve Gallagher, Mike Schmidt, Tracy Huth	1983
							Tracy Huth, Craig Chappell, Mike McCloskey, Mike Schmidt	1984
							Mark VanderMey, John Kovach, Erik Strom, Hilton Woods	1988
							Erik Strom, Eric Dresbach, Scott Harris, Hilton Woods	1989
							James Colline, Jens Kristensen, Ken Ehlen, Arthur Albiero	1995
							James Collins, Jens Kristensen, Arthur Albiero, Ken Ehlen	1996
							James Collins, Dan Naylis, Thiago Orso, Ken Ehlen	1997

note: Division I - 1998-Present, Division II - 1965-1997



All-Americans

Darin Abbasse (1981-84)	Jordan Hatch (1976-79)	Damian Pulliam (1997)
Arthur Albiero (1994-96)	Tracy Huth (1981-84)	Gary Quitiquit (1970)
Doug Allen (1990-93)	Bob Jenrow (1974-77)	Kirk Raddatz (1987, 1989)
Tom Allen (1978-80)	Curtis Jonas (1982)	Steve Ramsey (1986)
Dan Andrus (1986)	Jay Judson (1994-97)	Yoav Ritter (1997)
Adric Arndt (1993-96)	Raffi Karapetian (1996-97)	Mike Robberson (1997)
Morgan Bailey (1993-95)	Mike Karas (1974)	Dave Rogowski (1986-89)
Carl Boyd (1990-93)	Paul Karas (1974-77)	Jeff Ross (1990)
Tom Boyd (1975-78)	B.J. Kearney (1978)	Mike Sammons (1980-83)
Brian Brink (1979-81)	Dale Kelly (1975)	Greg Santo (1980-81)
Tim Brooks (1975)	Kevin Kirchner (1975)	Mike Schmidt (1981-84)
Mike Campbell (1969-71)	Mark Knapp (1989-90)	Scott Seeley (1988)
Rob Carman (1988)	Chris Knoche (1994, 96)	Jeff Seifert (1989-92)
Sam Castillo (1994-95)	Mike Koleber (1985-87)	James Shirilla (1970)
Craig Chappell (1981-84)	John Kovach (1988, 90-91)	Joe Snyder (1995-97)
John Christiansen (1982-85)	Karl Kozicki (1995-97)	Jason Steele (1996)
Larry Christiansen (1975)	Jens Kristensen (1994-96)	Erik Strom (1988-89)
Doug Cleland (1986-88)	Jeff Kuhn (1987)	Jon Stump (1993)
James Collins (1994-97)	Steve Larson (1984-87)	Jim Surowiec (1987-90)
Art Colton (1969)	Gary Lauinger (1974-75)	Dale Swezene (1975)
Jeff Colton (1983-84)	Mike McCloskey (1984)	Rich Swoboda (1988)
Jeff Cooper (1985-88)	Eric McIlquham (1989-92)	Jon Teal (1989-92)
Rick Cozad (1980-82)	Doug McIntosh (1978-81)	Randy Teeters (1995-96)
Matt Croghan (1984-86)	Todd McNeal (1986)	Scott Teeters (1976-78)
Dario DiFazio (1994-95)	Ido Meron (1997)	Steve Traube (1992)
Ian Dittus (1977-80)	Matt Michaels (1990-91)	Mike Turney (1988)
Mark Doyle (1978-81)	Brian Michalik (1983)	Mark Vanderney (1985-88)
Eric Dresbach (1986-89)	Rod Mitchell (1974-77)	Jeff VanNorman (1990-93)
Jim Druart (1989)	Tim Murphy (1978-80)	Bruce Verburg (1986-87)
Mark Duff (1987-88)	Dave Nack (1988-89)	Tom Warnica (1985)
Courtney Dunlap (1997)	Mike Nation (1986-89)	Shayne Wilson (1989-92)
Ken Ehlen (1994-97)	Dan Naylis (1996-97)	Hilton Woods (1988-90)
Kevin Everett (1994-97)	Eric Newton (1992-95)	Steve Yedlin (1970)
Isaac Farnsworth (1994-97)	Patrick Nichols (1974)	Cory Zieger (1990-91)
Alan Faust (1981-84)	Mike Obenshain (1982)	Chris Zoltak (1993-96)
Stephen Gallagher (1981-83)	Mike O'Hagen (1978-81)	Loren Zook (1991)
Gordon Geheb (1979-82)	Richie Orr (1989-91)	
Byron Gibbs (1974)	Thiago Orso (1997)	<i>note: Division I - 1998-Present,</i>
Mark Gole (1995-97)	John Parker (1969-72)	<i>Division II - 1965-1997</i>
Gordon Haigh (1979)	David Paxton (1994-97)	
Marc Hairston (1990-92)	Nick Pesch (1991)	
Elvind Hansen (1980)	Sean Peters (1991, 1993-94)	
Jim Hanson (1975-77)	Enos Pritchett (1990, 1992-93)	
Scott Harris (1989-90)		

Conference Year-by-Year Standings

1998	NIC	1990	GLIAC	1982	GLIAC
Cincinnati	687	Oakland	798.5	Oakland	687
Southern Illinois	620	Ferris State	402.5	Wayne State	458
NE Louisiana	488	Grand Valley State	374.5	Ferris State	254
Florida Atlantic	473	Wayne State	211	Michigan Tech	174
Oakland	404	Michigan Tech	201		
Western Kentucky	377			1981	GLIAC
SW Missouri State	239	1989	GLIAC	Oakland	607
Charleston	110	Oakland	797	Wayne State	475
		Ferris State	422	Ferris State	340
1997	GLIAC	Grand Valley State	332	Michigan Tech	178
Oakland	698	Michigan Tech	222		
Ashland	385	Wayne State	208	1980	GLIAC
Grand Valley State	311			No championship meet held.	
Wayne State	266	1988	GLIAC		
Gannon	252	Oakland	691	1979	GLIAC
		Ferris State	385	No championship meet held.	
1996	GLIAC	Wayne State	313		
Oakland	706	Grand Valley State	193	1978	GLIAC
Grand Valley State	406	Michigan Tech	158	Oakland	258
Wayne State	351			Northern Michigan	184
Ashland	269	1987	GLIAC	Wayne State	160
Gannon	196	Oakland	952	Ferris State	108
		Ferris State	637		
1995	GLIAC	Wayne State	388.5	1977	GLIAC
No championship meet held.		Grand Valley State	344	Oakland	292
		Wayne State	276.5	Northern Michigan	188
1994	GLIAC			Wayne State	183
Oakland	789	1986	GLIAC	Ferris State	53
Grand Valley State	394.5	Oakland	457		
Ferris State	349	Ferris State	261.5	1976	GLIAC
Wayne State	290.5	Wayne State	131	Oakland	311
		Grand Valley State	122.5	Wayne State	180
1993	GLIAC	Michigan Tech	59	Northern Michigan	172
Oakland	804			Ferris State	48
Ferris State	458	1985	GLIAC		
Grand Valley State	340	Oakland	522	<i>Note: NCAA Division I</i>	
Wayne State		Ferris State	485	<i>1998-present ; NCAA</i>	
		Michigan Tech	297	<i>Division II - 1965-97</i>	
1992	GLIAC	Wayne State	249		
Oakland	708	Grand Valley State	144		
Ferris State	437				
Grand Valley State	358	1984	GLIAC		
Wayne State	183	Oakland	643		
		Ferris State	535		
1991	GLIAC	Wayne State	273		
Oakland	815	Michigan Tech	213		
Ferris State	368				
Grand Valley State	345	1983	GLIAC		
Michigan Tech	293	Oakland	540		
Wayne State	134	Ferris State	505.5		
		Wayne State	465.5		
		Michigan Tech	163		

Mid-Continent Conference

Established in 1982 as the Association of Mid-Continent Universities, the Mid-Continent Conference has endured changes in the highly-competitive world of collegiate athletics, standing today as a nationally-competitive and well-respected league. With a solid foundation of prominent members, the Mid-Con prides itself on providing quality athletic and academic experiences for its student-athletes.

The "new" Mid-Con enters its 17th year with nine NCAA Division-I institutions. Spanning seven states, the Mid-Con includes Chicago State, IUPUI, UMKC, Oakland, Oral Roberts, Southern Utah, Valparaiso, Western Illinois and Youngstown State.

Under the direction of the league's first commissioner, F.L. "Frosty" Ferzacca, the original AMCU-8 included Cleveland State, Eastern Illinois, Illinois-Chicago, Northern Iowa, Southwest Missouri State, Valparaiso, Western Illinois and Wisconsin-Green Bay.

In 1990, the AMCU-8 not only changed its name to the now familiar, Mid-Continent Conference, but also added Northern Illinois and Akron as Southwest Missouri withdrew. In 1991 Wright State joined the Mid-Con, replacing Northern Iowa. The following year, current member Youngstown State joined the Conference as Akron withdrew. Membership in the Mid-Con increased to an all-time high in 1993 when Wisconsin-Milwaukee gave the league 10 members.

The second major change in membership occurred following the 1993-94 season when Cleveland State, Wright State, Illinois-Chicago, Northern Illinois, Wisconsin-Green Bay and Wisconsin-Milwaukee departed. Their absence created the opportunity to add Buffalo, Central Connecticut, Northeastern Illinois, Troy State and current members UMKC and Chicago State. With Eastern Illinois, Central Connecticut, Troy State and Northeastern Illinois departing over the past three years, the Mid-Con has strengthened its membership by welcoming Oral

Roberts, Southern Utah, IUPUI and Oakland to the league.

To date, the Mid-Continent Conference sponsors 18 championship sports. Beginning with the 1999-2000 season, the league will add women's soccer, creating an all-time Conference high 19 sports — nine men's and 10 women's.

The Mid-Con first made its athletic prowess known during the 1986 when Cleveland State received an at-large invitation to the "Big Dance". The Vikings recorded a stunning upset of No. 3 Indiana, en route to the league's first-ever "Sweet 16" appearance.

In 1990, the Mid-Con sent three of its members to postseason play, including Southwest Missouri (NCAA), Northern Iowa (NCAA) and Wisconsin-Green-Bay (NIT). Perhaps one of the most memorable postseasons in NCAA history played out during the 1998 NCAA Tournament when Valparaiso registered a last-second, one-point victory over No. 3 seed Mississippi. The Valpo magic continued into the second round with an overtime upset over Florida State.

Not only has the league gained national notoriety through men's basketball, women's basketball has made a definite impact on the Conference's continuing success. The 1996-97 season marked the first time three Mid-Con teams won at least 20 games in the same year. Northern Illinois received bids to two straight NCAA Tournaments, while Western Illinois earned its first-ever trip to the NCAA Tournament in 1995, followed by Youngstown State in 1996. The Lady Penguins returned to the NCAA Tournament in 1998, advancing to the second round with a victory over the No. 5 seed, Memphis.

Building on the success of its basketball programs, the Mid-Con combined its men's and women's tournaments in 1998, hosting both events at The Mark of the Quad Cities in Moline, Ill. — one of the country's finest, award-winning facilities.

In recent years, the Mid-Con's success has

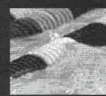
extended well beyond the basketball court. Several athletes have competed in the NCAA Indoor and Outdoor Track & Field Championships ... Volleyball has achieved national prominence, as evidenced by Oral Roberts' upset of No. 5 Arizona in the first round of the 1997 NCAA Tournament ... Mid-Con softball teams have registered seven wins in postseason competition over the last five seasons, while the league's baseball teams have posted eight straight play-in victories, earning a spot in the NCAA Tournament in five straight seasons.

In addition to acknowledging athletic accomplishments, the Mid-Con also promotes academic achievement throughout the league. Each year the Mid-Con presents its top honor to the male and female student-athlete of the year, awards postgraduate scholarships and promotes its Academic All-Conference teams.

In 1997, the Mid-Con introduced the Building Learning arOund Creative Kids (B.L.O.C.K.) program, enhancing the leagues identity through community involvement. The interactive, educational program, designed for elementary students in the Quad Cities, runs each year in conjunction with the Mid-Con Basketball Tournament.

NCAA Principle of Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct

For Intercollegiate athletics to promote the character development of participants, to enhance the integrity of higher education and to promote civility in society, student-athletes, coaches and all other associated with these athletics programs and events should adhere to such fundamental values as respect, fairness, civility, honesty and responsibility. These values should be manifest not only in athletics participation but also in the broad spectrum of activities affecting the athletics program.



Oakland University — Creating Tomorrow's University Today

"Creating the Future" is the best way to describe the excitement building at Oakland University as it charts its path into the 21st century. This comprehensive campus is in its 41st year and continues to increase its programs, facilities, resources and enrollment.

Through the leadership of OU President Gary D. Russi, Oakland students are acquiring the skills they need to succeed in a complex and rapidly changing workplace. Oakland continues to add market-driven degree programs geared to real-world needs. Several new degree programs have come on-line this year, including a Ph.D. in Applied Mathematical Sciences, a Master of Accounting, Master of Biology, Master of Training and Development and a Master of Science in Software Engineering. Also, a new certificate program in Electronic Network Management is the first of its kind in the country.

Oakland introduced a pioneering effort this year that will map its direction into the 21st century. Creating the Future is an initiative comprised of nine task forces of community leaders that made recommendations on how best to strengthen and improve OU. Up to 500 people were involved in the project, which draws from the Oakland University Strategic Plan 1995-2005.

Of Oakland's full-time faculty, 90 percent have earned Ph.D.s from many of the nation's finest research institutions. Less than one percent of classes are taught by graduate students, and OU has small classes that average fewer than 30 students for undergraduate courses. Additionally, students at Oakland have the unique opportunity to conduct research at the undergraduate level. Quality of academics continues to be recognized — OU was rated 24th in academic reputation among the 123 top Midwestern regional colleges and universities for 1998 by U.S. News and World Report. For the second consecutive year, Oakland has been listed in America's 100 Best College Buys 1998-1999 by John Culler & Sons.

Highlights for OU in 1997-1998:

- Celebration of Creating the Future at the 1998 Creating the Future Gala, where task force recommendations on the future of the university were announced.
- Approval of schematic drawings for the new 40,000-square-foot School of Business Building and Applied Technology Institute, scheduled to open in 2000.
- Following a comprehensive review of intercollegiate athletics, the Oakland University Board of Trustees approved moving the university's athletic program from NCAA Division II to Division I-AAA. Beginning in 1998, OU will join the Mid-Continent Conference com-

petition in six men's sports and eight women's sports.

- Oakland changed its mascot from the Pioneers to the Golden Grizzlies, which will help raise the excitement level of OU athletics.
- Construction of a new \$31-million Recreation and Athletic Center was completed in fall 1998. The 250,000-square-foot facility houses a 3,000-seat indoor arena, 1,000-seat natatorium, a gymnasium, weight training and fitness area, a running track, wellness center and a host of athletic courts. The first home basketball game in the new arena takes place November 18 against the Michigan State University Spartans.
- Dedication of numerous laboratories including the Applied Technology in Business Lab, the EDS Software Verification and Testing Lab, and the Computer Manufacturing Lab, as well as the Product Development and Manufacturing Center. Renovations of Hannah Hall of Science are also underway.



- Oakland and the Henry Ford Health System have formed the first partnership of its kind in the nation between a state-supported university and a private health care system. The alliance will prepare nurses for a rapidly changing health care environment, including managed care.
- Oakland's School of Engineering and Computer Science is becoming the "automotive school" for the Big Three automakers. The school has numerous partnerships with each, and was the first to respond to Chrysler Corporation's offer to experience today's manufacturing environment by placing faculty interns in plants, research laboratories and offices.

Several other initiatives are under way at Oakland that support student learning, research and development. More than 300 Oakland students worked in internships

or cooperative job placements during the 1996-97 academic year, generating \$2 million in earned wages and serving government, business and industry throughout southeastern Michigan.

This spring, the four-year-old Trustee Academic Success Scholarship Program graduated its first 10 students, achieving a one-hundred-percent rate of its five-year graduation goal. This is an important step in reaching OU's goal of increasing campus diversity.

The university has major institutes and centers in eye research, wellness, biochemistry technology and international studies. Oakland's new Center for Biomedical Research fosters collaborative research and education, enhancing Oakland's ability to recruit and retain outstanding biomedical scientists. Oakland's internationally renowned Eye Research Institute is supported by the National Institute of Health and earned \$2.2 million in external funds during 1996-97.

To maintain accreditation, OU is reviewed by the North Central Association (NCA) every 10 years. 1998 marks the onset of a major comprehensive self-study in preparation for the February 1999 NCA review.

The Medical Laboratory Sciences program in Oakland's School of Health Sciences is the only program in the state to offer students the options of cytotechnology, histotechnology, medical technology and nuclear medicine technology. A radiation therapy option is now offered as well.

OU's cultural enterprises attract more than 500,000 visitors each year to its beautiful 1,441-acre campus. Patrons of art, theatre, music and historic preservation recognize Oakland's Meadow Brook Art Gallery, Theatre, Music Festival and Hall as second to none.

New this year is a unique partnership between Meadow Brook Theatre and Oakland University's Department of Music Theatre and Dance, offering students the opportunity to take part in a professional theatre production. Events are also offered by the Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute.

Dedicated to preparing students for the challenges of a rapidly changing workplace and society, the university is organized into the College of Arts and Sciences and the schools of Business Administration, Education and Human Services, Engineering and Computer Science, Health Sciences, and Nursing. Oakland offers undergraduate programs in 74 areas with master's and doctoral programs in 54 areas. The university also has an active interdisciplinary Honors College. The university's Continuing Education programs meet the needs of business, industry, governmental units, schools and other community organizations.

OU Administration



Gary Russi

President

Gary Russi was appointed Oakland University president on April 12, 1996, after serving 15 months as Oakland University's interim president and vice president for academic affairs. Before that he

was the university's chief academic officer for a year-and-a-half. Russi is the school's fifth president.

In his first two years as OU's president, Russi has expanded opportunities for learners through a variety of new programs, partnerships and technologies. He has been instrumental in providing new facilities and services and integrating new communication technologies. Under Russi, OU has expanded laboratories and research opportunities with corporate partners and added more internships and co-op opportunities. Oakland has also added numerous new degree and certification programs, as well as continuing ongoing assessment and refinement of existing programs.

During his tenure as interim president, Russi brought to life Oakland's 10-year Strategic Plan. OU has experienced record enrollment growth, major campus construction, new degree programs, increased community and business partnerships, a move to NCAA Division I athletics and historic agreements with community colleges worldwide.

Russi, who is also a tenured professor in health sciences, came to Oakland from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa. He was Drake's vice president for research and strategic planning, and a tenured professor of pharmacology and toxicology. Russi also served as vice provost for academic affairs, vice provost for planning and budgeting, and director of university planning.

An American Council on Education Fellow in 1982-83, Russi received his baccalaureate in pharmacy in 1969 from Southwestern Oklahoma State University and a doctorate in pharmacology and toxicology from the University of Kansas in 1972.



Jack Mehl

Director of Athletics

Jack Mehl, Oakland University's fourth athletic director in history, enters his fourth season as the director in 1998-99.

In Mehl's first season at OU (1995-96), Oakland captured the GLIAC's President's Cup as the top all-around athletic program in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

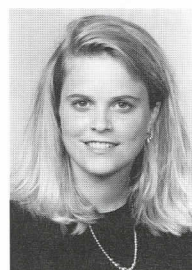
As Mehl embarks on his fourth year at the helm of Oakland athletics, the Golden Grizzlies are venturing into a whole new world for themselves. OU has changed its NCAA affiliation from Division II to Division I and will compete as a member of the Mid-Continent Conference in 1998-99.

Mehl came to Oakland from his position as Business and Marketing Manager for the Rose Bowl, a position he held since 1993.

Mehl served as the Director of Athletics at Florida Atlantic University for 12 years, from 1979-91. At FAU, Mehl was responsible for proposals which moved the athletic program from the NAIA to the NCAA Division II level, and ultimately to its current affiliation at the NCAA Division I level.

Mehl has also been a coach of both golf and basketball during his career in athletics. He was Florida Atlantic's golf coach during his first five years as AD from 1979-84. He was a coach of basketball at three different institutions, including the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, where he served as head coach from 1975-78.

Mehl received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Health and Physical Education from Otterbein College in 1972 and a Master of Arts degree from Ohio State University in 1974.



Amy Stabley Hirschman

Sports Information Director

Senior Women's Administrator

Amy Hirschman joined the Oakland athletic staff as the SID in June of 1997. Hirschman handles all of the day-to-day responsibilities of the sports information office and the publicity of all 13 NCAA Division I Golden Grizzly athletic programs.

Hirschman comes to OU from the University of Texas, where she spent five years as an Assistant Sports Information Director. At UT her primary responsibility was handling the publicity efforts for the Longhorn baseball team. She also supervised student management of media relations for tennis and golf and assisted in game-day operations for football and basketball. Hirschman was the editor of the football game day programs and oversaw the 20-person student SID staff. She served as the media director for NCAA Baseball Regionals in 1993, 1994 and 1996.

The 29-year-old native of Mount Pleasant graduated from Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in journalism in 1991. At CMU, she served as a student assistant in the sports information office for four years. Prior to joining the UT staff, Hirschman served as an intern in the Michigan State University sports information office (1991-92).

The former Amy Stabley is married to Steve Hirschman, a former pitcher at Michigan State, and the couple resides in Shelby Township. Stabley Hirschman is part three to a three-generation SID family. Her grandfather, the late Fred Stabley Sr., was SID at Michigan State for 33 years (1947-80) and her father, Fred Stabley Jr., is the current SID at Central Michigan (1982-present). The threesome is the first, and only, three generation SID family in the history of CoSIDA and collegiate athletics.

OU Athletic Staff



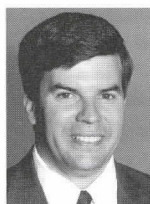
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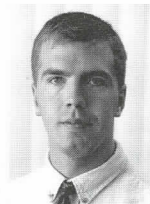
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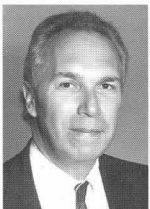
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