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## Dugout Chatter

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### Mavericks Looking to Defend NCC Championship

Dear Alumni and Friends of MSU Baseball,

I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday season and that you enjoyed your time with your family. Thank you for all the cards and picture from our many baseball friends.

Since July 1, 2007 over 130 donors have given \$22,521. Special thanks go out to Doug Helget at Northwestern Mutual Financial Network and Bob Harvey, CEO of Oakridge Holdings Inc. for investing their monies toward a championship banner that will display all of MSU's conference championships. The banner will cover the entire back of our permanent bleachers and also be in the Field House during the winter.

The team is currently practicing six days a week in preparation for our first game February 22 against Southwest Baptist. We are excited for the first time to be traveling to Arizona from Mach 8-16. On Tuesday, March 11 we play at 6:30pm and will have a tailgate party prior to the game. Information and details will be sent to you soon.

Thanks to Bob Bresnahan's persistence plans have begun for building a clubhouse and a baseball alumni center on the third base side of the baseball field. We will be looking for in-kind gifts, so please think about companies you know that may want or can help us. More information will be coming about a potential meeting after the March 25 Dome game.

Please mark Saturday May 3 on your calendar. Cheri and I want to thank all of our baseball friends that have made our journey with MSU Baseball so unbelievably great. That day we play a doubleheader versus UNO and then have a function in the Myers Field House. It will be free of charge and hope you are able to attend to help us celebrate.

For those living in the Twin Cities area we play two doubleheaders in the Metrodome. The first against Concordia-St. Paul on March 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:00, the second against Quincy starting at 11:30am on March 25<sup>th</sup>. This could be a very good year as we have some key veterans returning and many newcomers who have a great passion for the game. Plan on coming out and watching us play this spring.

In Baseball,

Dean Bowyer

### 2008 Captains Announced

The 2008 team recently voted for its captains and they are senior first baseman/catcher Kyle Hoover (Burlington, IA), junior first baseman/catcher Travis Taran (Hermantown, Minn.), and junior right-handed pitcher Matt Mathiowetz (Sleepy Eye, Minn.).

The right-handed hitting Hoover led the 2007 team with 11 doubles and finished with a .323 average, 5 HR, 35 RBI, playing in 45 out of the 50 games.

In playing in 38 games last year, the left-handed Taran hit .290, 5 2B, 2 HR, and 11 RBI. Taran has also proven his value defensively committing only 1 error last season.

Righty Matt Mathiowetz will be looked upon as a leader for the young pitching staff this season after appearing in 4 games last year before taking a medical redshirt. Prior to MSU, Mathiowetz played two seasons at Iowa Lakes Community College.



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Maverick Conference  
Championships



<u>Year</u>	<u>Record</u>
1968	21-10
1969	22-14
1970	19-2
1971	22-12
1974	22-13
1976	23-12
1977	22-17
1979	26-11-1
1980	34-21-1
1981	30-10
1982	30-9
1983	29-12
1985	30-20
1986	35-15
1987	32-16
1988	30-17
1989	33-19
1990	34-9-1
1996	36-18
1997	32-14
1999	33-13-1
2000	36-18
2001	32-15
2002	31-16
2006	43-13
2007	45-10

## 2008 Minnesota State Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Times</u>
Feb. 22	Fri	Southwest Baptist	Bolivar, MO	2	1:00
Feb. 23	Sat	Southwest Baptist	Bolivar, MO	2	12:00
Feb. 28	Thu	West Georgia	Carrollton, GA	2	1:00
Feb. 29	Fri	West Georgia	Carrollton, GA	2	1:00
Mar. 1	Sat	West Georgia	Carrollton, GA	1	3:00
Mar. 4	Tue	Concordia - St. Paul	Metrodome	2	5:00
Mar. 9	Sun	Mary	Chandler, AZ	1	1:00
Mar. 10	Mon	SIU-Edwardsville	Chandler, AZ	1	1:00
Mar. 11	Tue	SIU-Edwardsville	Chandler, AZ	1	6:30
Mar. 12	Wed	SIU-Edwardsville	Chandler, AZ	1	10:00
Mar. 14	Fri	Bemidji State	Chandler, AZ	1	9:30
Mar. 15	Sat	Dana	Chandler, AZ	1	3:30
Mar. 15	Sat	Dakota State	Chandler, AZ	1	7:00
Mar. 20	Thu	Wayne State	Wayne, NE	2	1:00
Mar. 21	Fri	Wayne State	Wayne, NE	2	12:00
Mar. 25	Tue	Quincy	Metrodome	2	11:30
Mar. 28	Fri	Grandview	Des Moines, IA	2	2:00
Apr. 2	Wed	UW-Parkside	Mankato	2	1:00
Apr. 5	Sat	Augustana	Sioux Falls, SD	2	1:00
Apr. 6	Sun	Augustana	Sioux Falls, SD	2	12:00
Apr. 7	Mon	SW MN State	Marshall	1 - 9in.	2:30
Apr. 9	Wed.	Upper Iowa	Fayette, IA	2	2:00
Apr. 12	Sat	North Dakota	Mankato	2	1:00
Apr. 13	Sun	North Dakota	Mankato	2	1:00
Apr. 16	Wed	Upper Iowa	Mankato	2	2:00
Apr. 18	Fri	St. Cloud State	St. Cloud	2	2:00
Apr. 20	Sun	St. Cloud State	Mankato	2	1:00
Apr. 26	Sat	Minnesota-Duluth	Duluth	2	1:00
Apr. 27	Sun	Minnesota-Duluth	Duluth	2	12:00
Apr. 29	Tue	Winona State	Winona	2	2:00
May. 2	Fri	Nebraska-Omaha	Mankato	2	1:00
May. 3	Sat	Nebraska-Omaha	Mankato	2	12:00
May. 5	Mon	Bethany	Mankato	1 - 9in.	7:00
May 8-11		NCC Tournament	Omaha		
May 15-18		Central Regional	TBD		
TBA		World Series			