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MSU BASKETBALL NEWSLETTER

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

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MSU 81 **Concordia-St. Paul 64**

The 11th-rated Minnesota State men's basketball team maintained the lead throughout its NSIC opener Saturday evening as it defeated the Concordia-St. Paul Golden Bears 81-64.

With the win, the Mavericks improve to 7-1 on the season, including a 1-0 record in NSIC play. With the loss, the Golden Bears fall to 3-2, including a 0-1 record in NSIC play.

Junior forward Assem Marei made his presence felt in his return to the court as he posted a game-high 24 points, while shooting 11-of-12 (.916) from the field, to go along with nine rebounds.

Senior Connor O'Brien added 18 points, six rebounds and a career-high five blocks, while junior Zach Monaghan tallied 12 points and seven assists.

As a team, MSU shot 27-of-49 (.551) from the field and 22-of-30 (.733) from the free throw line. The Mavericks also brought down 40 rebounds and passed out 20 assists.

MSU wasted little time jumping out in front of the Golden Bears as it built a 13-point lead at 23-10 with 9:07 left in the first half. CU managed to close within seven points of the Mavericks at 33-26 before heading into the locker room.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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MSU 87 **Concordia-St. Paul 63**

The No. 17 Minnesota State women's basketball team netted nine three pointers in the first half, to earn a convincing 87-63 win over No. 14 Concordia-St. Paul, improving to 4-1 on the season and 1-0 in NSIC action.

The Mavericks would find themselves trailing 17-10 with 11:30 remaining in the opening stanza before MSU caught fire from behind the arc, going on a 20-0 run opening a 30-17 lead with 6:05 to play in the first half.

The Golden Bears would find some offensive rhythm, but the Mavericks outscored them 12-8 in the final six minutes of the frame taking a 42-25 lead into intermission.

MSU would see nine different athletes contribute buckets in the first half led by senior Ali Wilkinson (Blue Mounds, Wis.) who poured in nine points. As a unit the Mavericks connected on 14-of-31 (45%) from the field and 9-of-19 (47%) from behind the arc.

The Mavericks would cool off in the second half, as they only connected on 33% of their shots from behind the arc and 45% field, but still outscored the Golden Bears 45-38 in the closing frame, earning the 87-63 win.

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PLAYER PROFILES

PRESENTED THIS WEEK BY:



#24 Karlee Gengenbacher

Guard | 5-10 | Senior | Quincy, Illinois

2012-13

One of three Mavericks to average double-digit points with 10.3 per contest... Connected on 43% (126-292) of her shots from the field while draining 33 three-point shots...Hauled in 120 rebounds while dishing out 55 assists.

Pre-MSU

Played 60 games at Quincy University where she averaged 7.35 points and 4.2 points per game... Recorded 115 assists and 53 steals in two seasons with the Hawks... Two-time GLVC Academic All-Conference.

High School

Earned eight total letters for her efforts in softball (4) and basketball (4)... Currently all-time leading scorer for Quincy Notre Dame... All-conference honors... Four year record of 104-13... Second place finish at the state tournament senior year.

Personal

Daughter of Rick and Becky Gengenbacher... Born Jan. 4, 1992... Majoring in speech language pathology.



#32 Gage Wooten

Guard | 6-4 | Senior | Aurora, Colorado

2012-13

Started all 33 games for the Mavericks... Averaged 9.2 points and 5.1 rebounds per game... Shot 112-of-219 (.511) from the field and 52-of-65 (.800) from the charity stripe... Posted a career-high 19 points against both Augustana (1/4) and Bemidji State (2/8)... Notched a career-high 12 rebounds against the University of Mary (2/1) and notched a double double against Bethany Lutheran College with 12 points and 10 rebounds... Tallied at least 10 points in 16 games.

Pre-MSU

Averaged 18.3 points per game in 29 games at Missouri State West Plains where he shot 55 percent from the floor and 81 percent from the stripe while grabbing 6.8 rebounds per game... Was named to the NJCAA Region 16 All-Region team... As a sophomore he tallied seven double-doubles last season and eclipsed the 20-point barrier in four games.

High School

Was a three-year starter and letterwinner at Eagle Crest.



Personal

Born March 29, 1991... Son of Huey Wooten and Kerry Bellmyer... Intends to major in business at Minnesota State

UPCOMING GAMES

PRESENTED THIS WEEK BY:



GAMES

December 6
vs Upper Iowa | 6:00/8:00pm
Bresnan Arena

December 13
at Wayne State | 6:00/8:00pm
Wayne, NE

December 7
vs Winona State | 4:00/6:00pm
Bresnan Arena

December 14
at Augustana | 4:00/6:00pm
Sioux Falls, SD

EVENTS

Women's Basketball Social **December 6 vs Upper Iowa**

Women's Basketball parents and Hoops Club Members are invited into Johnson Alumni Room immediately following the Women's Game to enjoy food & beverages, while getting to know your 2013-14 team and coaching staff!

WHITEOUT! **December 7 vs Winona State**

Help WHITEOUT Bresnan Arena as the Mavericks take on Winona State Warriors!

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December 7th



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December 7th

