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**MVL advances  
to state tournament**



## Minnesota State at Nebraska-Omaha

1 p.m. today, Caniglia Field, KTOE 1420-AM

The Mavericks (2-8, 0-5 in North Central Conference) wrap up the season today on the road, hoping to build on last season's 20-13 victory at Blakeslee Stadium that kept Nebraska-Omaha out of the NCAA Division II playoffs. Nebraska-Omaha leads the series 12-11, and the Mavericks are 4-8 in games played at Omaha, having lost the last four times there. Nebraska-Omaha has won nine straight at home and 18 of the



**Tyrell Smith leads Minnesota State with 62 catches for 814 yards. MSU closes the season today with a game against UNO.**

last 19 at Caniglia Field.

Tyrell Smith's 62 receptions is tied for ninth in Minnesota State's single-season record book, and his 814 yards receiv-

ing is 10th. Sean Treasure has 947 yards in career kick returns, which is fourth best in program history. Jimmie Gunn has 104 tackles, the 14th consecutive season in which one of the Mavericks made at least 100 tackles. The Mavericks have 14 interceptions and 17 fumble recoveries, with a plus-14 in turnover margin. Minnesota State has outscored opponents 248-226, which includes a 63-7 victory against Oklahoma Panhandle State

and a 38-0 victory over Upper Iowa.

Nebraska-Omaha kept its postseason hopes alive by winning 20-19 at previously undefeated North Dakota last week. Senior quarterback Brian Masek, a regional finalist for the Harlan Hill Award, has completed 124 of 211 passes for 1,727 yards with 21 touchdowns and seven interceptions. Junior linebacker Kenny Onatolu leads the team with 71 tackles.