

SPARTAN INVITATIONAL
Oshkosh North
Thursday, September 23, 1993

RUNNER	ONE MILE	FINISHING TIME	PLACE
Bret Weyenberg	5:09	16:13	1st
Rhett Weyenberg	5:09	16:28	5th
Jay Frater	5:14	16:53	15th
Ben Miller	5:12	16:55	18th
Andy Marks	5:15	16:58	20th
Ryan Freund	5:08	17:10	23rd
Justin Bricco	5:18	17:12	25th
Chad Gorectke	5:21	17:13	26th

JV RUNNER			
Rich Rasmussen	5:25	17:35	1st
Chris Core	5:42	18:25	6th
Jamie Remme	5:46	18:32	7th
Mike Heidke	5:43	18:48	11th
Brian Wankel	5:45	19:18	18th
Ryan Hayes	6:23	19:44	29th
Joe Nichols	6:23	19:55	32nd
Jamie Michalkiewicz	6:26	20:42	49th
Ryan Mulroy	6:43	22:30	72nd
Jason Wendler	6:27	22:30	73rd

REMAINDER OF TOP TEN	SCHOOL	FINISHING TIME	PLACE
Aaron Sass	Appleton East	16:13	2nd
Abe Mendoza	Appleton East	16:19	3rd
Matt Barrette	Beaver Dam	16:27	4th
Dugan Webster	Appleton East	16:29	6th
Denin Gutgesell	Beaver Dam	16:31	7th
Charlie Boldt	Beaver Dam	16:32	8th
Matt Toeppler	Menasha	16:33	9th
Travis Weisensel	Beaver Dam	16:34	10th

VARSITY TEAMS	SCORE
Appleton East	35
Beaver Dam	48
Neenah	59
Wausau West	168
Oshkosh West	173
Green Bay Southwest	190
Marshfield	209
Oshkosh North	244
Berlin	254
Menasha	258

JV TEAM	
Neenah	43
Beaver Dam	61
Green Bay Southwest	97
Appleton East	100
Marshfield	131
Oshkosh West	146
New London	249

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GIRLS

RUNNER	MILE	2 MILE	FINISH	PLACE
1. Julie Olson	6:08	12:47	15:50	3
2. Meghan Patterson	6:08	12:48	15:51	4
3. Christy McCutcheon	6:08	12:49	15:53	5
4. Christy Codner	6:08	12:55	16:09	7
5. Sara Codner	6:11	12:59	16:13	8
6. Krista Erickson	6:25	13:35	16:57	23
7. Heather Michalkiewicz	6:39	13:58	17:25	34
8. Megan Mutchler	6:53	14:24	18:02	51

JV RUNNER

1. Mandy Gunderson	6:46	13:52	17:08	1
2. Danelle Johnson	6:48	14:06	17:34	3
3. Lisa Heroux	6:54	14:28	17:53	8
4. Holly Goudreau	7:14	14:42	18:10	11
5. Norel Miller	7:14	14:50	18:30	13
6. Sarah Brey	7:09	15:04	18:40	14
7. Julee Beckstrom	7:19	15:11	18:44	15
8. Alicia Hilliker	7:25	15:20	18:56	16
9. Shayna Brown	7:37	15:53	19:41	20
10. Mysee Moua	7:28	16:08	19:56	21
11. Sara Mulroy	7:59	16:51	20:49	30
12. Liz Stelow	7:43	16:51	21:08	33

TOP TEN	SCHOOL	TIME
1. Kristy Koplien	New London	15:35
2. Kelly Koplien	New London	15:49
3. Julie Olson	Neenah	15:50
4. Meghan Patterson	Neenah	15:51
5. Christy McCutcheon	Neenah	15:53
6. Sarah Schleis	G.B. Southwest	16:00
7. Christy Codner	Neenah	16:09
8. Sara Codner	Neenah	16:13
9. Michelle Rubow	Wausau West	16:18
10. Kim Hofkens	Menasha	16:21

TEAM SCORES

1. Neenah	27	Green Bay SW	31
2. Green Bay Southwest	60	Neenah	36
3. Oshkosh North	114	Wausau West	86
4. Wausau West	119	Oshkosh West	147
5. Marshfield	191	Menasha	170
6. Menasha	199		
7. Beaver Dam	212		
8. New London	216		
9. Appleton East	235		
10. Oshkosh West	239		
11. Ashwaubenon	301		
12. Hortonville	308		

JV SCORES

Neenah won the girls race with 3-4-5 finishes by Julie Olson, Meghan Patterson and Christy McCutcheon, respectively. New London's Kristy Koplien won the race, with sister Kelly second.

Girls

NEENAH 27, GREEN BAY SOUTHWEST 60, OSHKOSH NORTH 114, WAUSAU WEST 119, MARSHFIELD 191, MENASHA 199, BEAVER DAM 212, NEW LONDON 216, APPLETON EAST 235, OSHKOSH WEST 239, ASHWAUBENON 301, HORTONVILLE 308.

1. Kristy Koplien NL 15:35; 2. Kelly Koplien NL 15:49; 3. Julie Olson NEE 15:50; 4. Meghan Patterson NEE 15:51; 5. Christy McCutcheon NEE 15:53; 6. Sarah Schleis GBSW 16:00; 7. Christy Codner NEE 16:09; 8. Sara Codner NEE 16:13; 9. Michelle Rubow WW 16:18; 10. Kim Hofkens MEN 16:21.

Other local finishers

Appleton East: 21. Heather Lichtenber; 24. Beth Egelhoff; 42. Laura Johnson; 72. Rachel Mielka; 76. Tracy Coenen; 81. Anh Hoang; 88. Sarah Sonsthagen.

Hortonville: 48. Sarah Litz; 54. Lindsey Rasmussen; 56. Rhonda Huett; 71. Missy Meyer; 79. Kathy Neubert.

Menasha: 30. Nicole Schmidt; 32. Stacy Beyer; 59. Patty Tietz; 68. Julie Schiegg; 80. Stacy Herald; 85. Jeannine Resch.

Neenah: 23. Krista Erickson; 34. Heather Michalkiewicz; 51. Megan Mutchler.

New London: 60. Jenny Kloehn; 75. Heidi Aver; 78. Jessica Philips; 82. Kelly Murphy; 87. Amy Wilfer; 90. Erin Slossa.

Weyenberg wins invite

West fifth; North eighth

BY COLLEEN BARRETT
OF THE NORTHWESTERN

Bret Weyenberg took first, leading the Neenah boys' cross country team to a third-place finish at the Spartan Invitational Thursday at Menominee Park.

Appleton East won the 13-team invite with 35 points. Beaver Dam was second with 48 and Neenah had 59. Oshkosh West was fifth with 173 and Oshkosh North finished eighth with 244, Berlin was ninth with 254 and Menasha was 10th with 258.

Junior Shawn Burwell led West, finishing 12th and Tim Rumlow, a junior, finished 21st.

"Shawn Burwell and Tim Rumlow are really coming along," Oshkosh West coach Russ Hoxtell said. "I was really impressed with them. They have been leaders this year."

Other West finishers included Nate Uselding (36th),

Todd Hansen (40th) and Nate Rutz (64th).

"We've improved a lot lately, but there was a big drop today (in times) with all five varsity."

Ben Tremble finished 16th, leading North.

"Ben did a nice job," North coach Chuck Reigel said. "With three top-ranked schools here, we knew it would be a real dogfight. I'm just happy to get guys in the middle of it."

Other North finishers were Eric Sawicki (44th), Pete Crossman (53rd), Bruce Sieloff (59th) and Brent Schneider (72nd).

"We had some good times, which happens with good competition," Reigel said. "It was neat to race with top-notch teams."

Other Neenah finishers included Rhett Weyenberg in fifth, Jay Frater 15th, Ben Miller 18th and Andy Marks 20th.

"We can do better," Neenah

coach Tom Jensen said. "Our normal No. 1 runner, Rhett, has not been feeling well and has been out of school, but Bret ran well."

Kevin Randall led Berlin finishing 30th. Other Berlin finishers included Andy Bending (35th), Randy Przybyl (56th), Brent Newport (62nd) and Tyler Stobbe (71st).

"Coming into this meet, we knew it would be tough with the Division 1 competition," Berlin coach Dave Reich said. "We were looking to improve our times and our times continue to improve."

Menasha's Matt Toeppler finished ninth, leading the Bluejays.

Balance keys Neenah to first in girls' meet

Spartans finish third; Indians place 10th

BY COLLEEN BARRETT
OF THE NORTHWESTERN

With five of the top 10 finishers, the Neenah girls' cross country team ran away with the championship at the Spartan Invitational, Thursday at Menominee Park.

Neenah finished with 27 points. Green Bay Southwest was second with 60 and Oshkosh North was third with 114. Menasha was sixth with 199 and Oshkosh West was 10th with 239. Berlin had an incomplete team.

Leading the Rockets was Julie Olson in third and Meghan Patterson in fourth, finishing one second apart. Christy McCutcheon finished fifth, Christy Codner was seventh and Sara Codner was eighth.

"We ran well; our top six all had personal records today," Neenah coach Ron Fedenko



Habeck



Tritt

said. "There were some good teams out here and we showed we can be competitive."

Sophomore Tania Habeck led North, finishing in 13th.

Manikhone Luagpraseuth finished 18th and Thip Luangpraseuth was 19th for the Spartans.

"Tania Habeck did a real nice job," Oshkosh North coach Chuck Reigel said.

"We did some switching around (in leaders), but we

had three finish in the top 20, that's nice."

Other finishers for North included Marcie Fisher (27th) and Marilyn Bowden (37th).

"This is a tough course and I'm just happy things are going well," Reigel said.

Missy Tritt led Oshkosh West, finishing 26th.

"We all ran well, but we didn't improve our times," West coach Russ Hoxtell said. "The kids kind of stagnated, which happens this time of year, but I'm not concerned."

Other West finishers include Lynn Kusche (38th), Connie Meronk (53rd), Angie Gruendemann (57th) and Justina Krueger (65th).

"Our top runners have traded off this year," Hoxtell said.

Kim Hofkens led Menasha finishing 10th.

Berlin's Polly Kafer finished 66th and teammate Louise Erb was 67th.

ROCKETS RUN WELL: The Neenah boys and girls cross-country teams fared well at the Milwaukee Marquette Invitational, finishing fourth and second, respectively.

In the boys' meet, Neenah's Rhett Weyenberg finished second with a time of 16:30, five seconds behind Sean Roberts of Waukesha West.

In the girls' meet, the Rockets finished six points behind champion Waukesha West. Julie Olson was the top Rockets runner with a fourth-place finish.

CROSS COUNTRY

Rockets running out to a fast start

The Neenah girls' cross-country team is picking up right where it left off last October when it finished second at the WIAA Division 1 state meet.

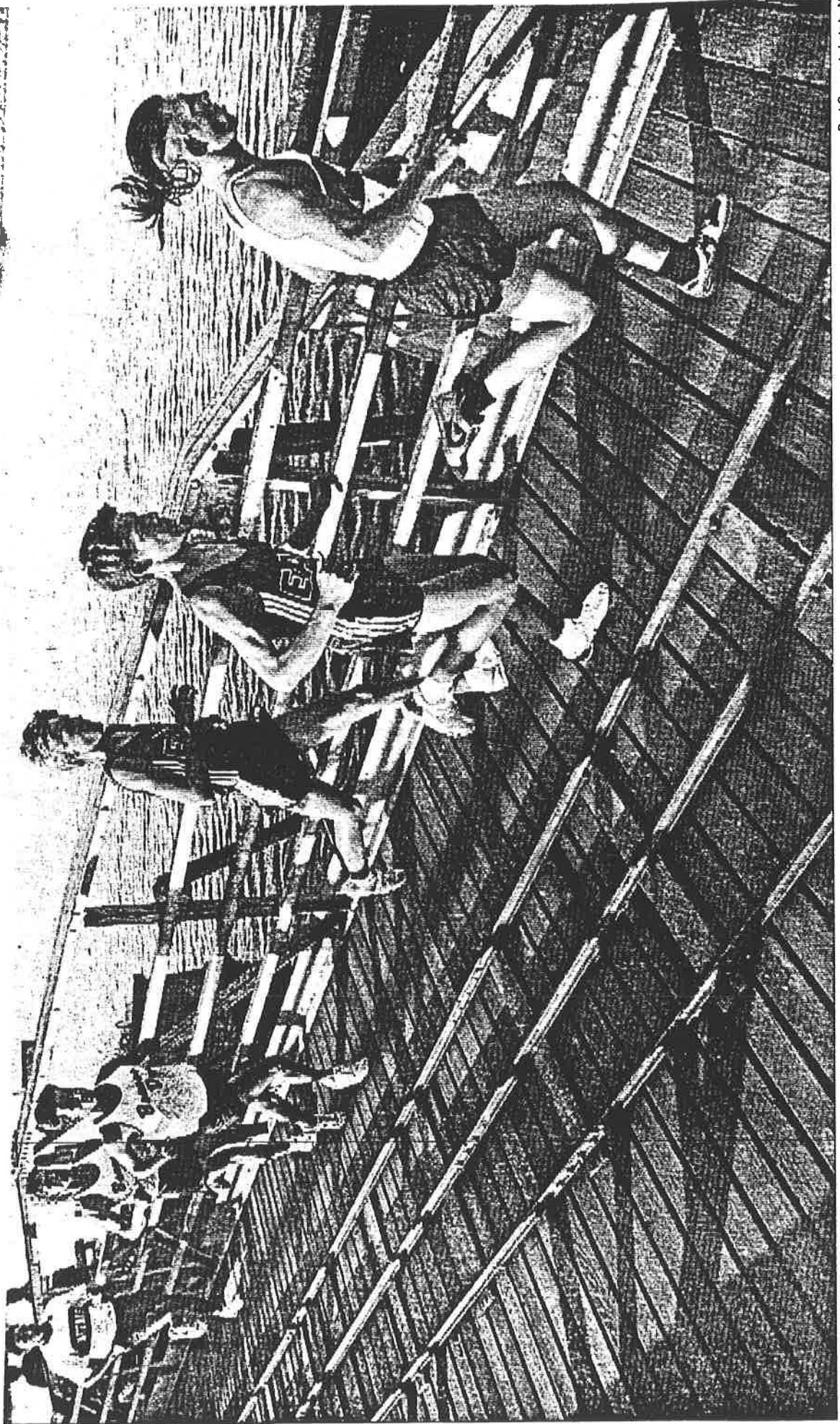
And this year, according to coach Ron Fedenko, the Rockets have the added advantage of believing in themselves.

"Last year, little by little as the season went on, they felt more confident," Fedenko said. "Even at the state meet, they weren't sure how they could compete, but that second place gave them a good boost."

Last week at the Rhinelander Invitational, Neenah stomped the field, placing five runners in the top 10 to win with 37 points, 52 ahead of Stevens Point.

Neenah isn't depending on any one runner to lead them, as the Rockets feature four strong runners.

"Saturday, Meghan Patterson led us," Fedenko said. "One of our seniors, Julie Olson, has been our top runner and last year a freshman, Christy McCutcheon, led us for much of the year."



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AREA CROSS COUNTRY runners head across a bridge at Menominee Park in Oshkosh during the Spartan Invitational on Thursday. See story and results, Page C-4.

Neenah cross country faces top-ranked East

■ The Rockets and Appleton East will be matched in the Oshkosh North Invitational

By George Mancosky
News-Record sports editor

NEENAH — Neenah's boys cross country team, which finished fourth in the Milwaukee Marquette Invitational Saturday, will get a big test Thursday afternoon.

The Rockets, who were ranked 12th in last week's state coaches poll, will run into top-ranked Appleton East in the Oshkosh North Invitational.

Although the Rockets were dethroned in the Rhinelander and Marquette invitationals, coach Tom Jensen said he's pleased with his team's progress.

"We've been pushing them very hard. We've been working twice a day since the season started, and they are getting a little tired. The next couple of weeks we're going to back off and concentrate on the conference and tournaments," Jensen said.

Jensen, in his 26th year as Neenah coach, said the Rockets' times in the trials and Rhinelander and Shawano meets were better than a year ago.

He added that the squad of 29 candidates in grades 9-12 is the largest in recent years, although most of the ninth graders are running with the Shattuck Junior High School team.

Tyler Schultz and Tuffy Knoch,

two of the top five from last year's conference champions, have graduated. But the Rockets have a good returning nucleus. Several runners currently are slowed down by injuries.

Senior Rhett Weyenberg, a three-year veteran, finished second in the Marquette race, and his twin brother Bret was 10th.

"Rhett ran an outstanding race at Marquette. He beat last year's winner and finished ahead of other good runners," Jensen said.

Rhett Weyenberg won the FVA five-team meet; finished second in the Rhinelander Invitational; and was third in the Shawano meet in other starts this season.

Bret recorded a third, a fourth and a fifth place in the first three meets.

In addition to the Weyenbergs, returning lettermen include seniors Jay Frater and Justin Bricco, and juniors Ryan Freund and Ben Miller. Miller has two top-10 finishes and Freund and Bricco each have one.

Sophomores Andy Marks and Blaine Schultz have also performed well, Jensen said. Both are listed among the top seven runners.

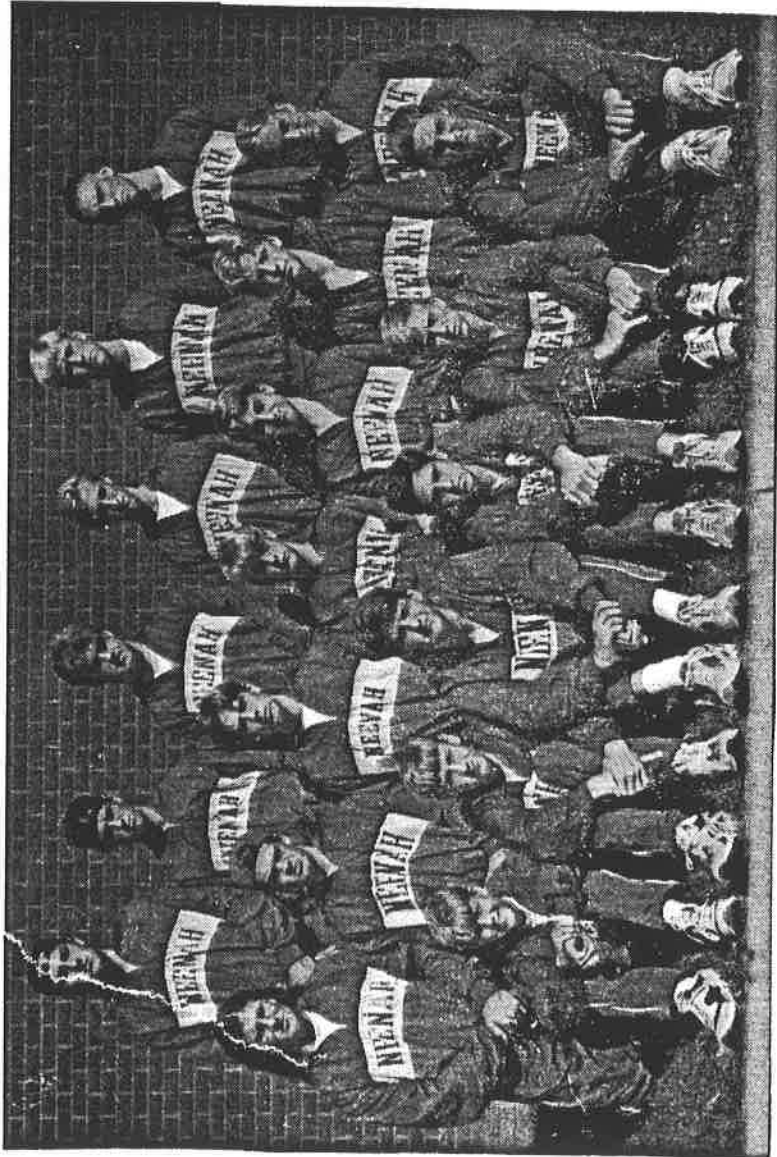
Jensen agrees with Appleton East's selection as the state's top team.

"They've won two invitationals. I could see in track last spring that they would have good cross country team," he reported.

In addition the Appleton East, the Rockets will face Ashwaubenon, Beaver Dam, Green Bay Southwest, New London, Oshkosh West and North, Hartford, and Marshfield at Oshkosh.

The Rockets are the defending champions.

FIRST ROW: (from left) Jamie Michalkiewicz, Joe Nichols, Mike Helake, Chris Core, Andy Marks, Jason Leundler.
SECOND ROW: Justin Britco, Jamie Remme, Jay Frater, Brian Wankel, Richard Rasmussen, Ryan Hayes, Blaine Schultz.
THIRD ROW: Rhett Weyenberg, Ryan Freund, Ryan Muirroy, Chad Gorectke, Ben Miller, Bret Weyenberg.



FIRST ROW: (from left) Shayna Brown, Holly Goudreau, Heather Michalkiewicz, Alicia Hilliker, Julie Beckstrom, Mysee Mouda, Megan Mutchler. **SECOND ROW:** Missy Klabunde, Julie Olson, Liz Stelow, Mandy Gunderson, Christy Codner, Sara Codner, Krista Erickson, Meghan Patterson. **THIRD ROW:** Coach Ron Fedenko, Karen Schaper, Sarah Brey, Danelle Johnson, Sara Mulroy, Christy McCutcheon, Lisa Heroux, Norel Miller.

