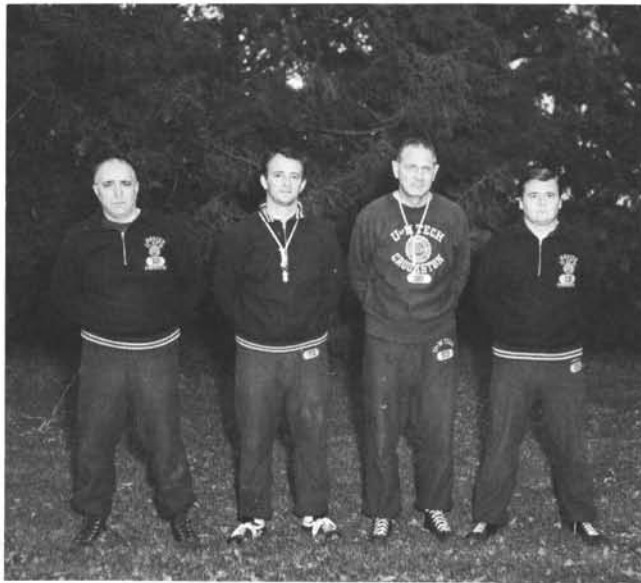




They placed third in the state. *First Row:* Ivan Kroulik, Mike Mullan, Allen Peterson, Pete Novotny, Ernie Pietruszewski, Brian Sjodin, Ted Potrament, Chuck Gust, Jim Beck, Harold Lueck, and Paul Aakre. *Second Row:* Donn Sawyer, Dennis O'Neill, Dave Baston, Gregory Kipp, Glen Hopman, Capt. Harold Knoll, Doug Hand, Tom Hughes, Richard Wehking, Denis Braukmann, Jim LeClair, Chris Young, and Richard Watkins. *Third Row:* David Lysaker, Dennis Nelson, Mike Watson, Don Krumwiede, Frank Magdziarz, Gary Anderson, Roger Donnay, Mike England, James Gettler, Jerome Rutten, and Dan Motschenbacher.



UMC football coaches are Joseph Mazzitelli, Ronald Ebner, Head Coach Herschal Lysaker, Ralph Nestor. One of the big games was the Papa Lysaker (Tech) — Son Pepper (Mesabi) contest on Sept. 28.

The 1968 football team completed a successful season with an over-all 6-2 record. Pre-season practice found four returning lettermen and thirty-two enthusiastic freshmen on hand. After a short week of drills, the Trojans took on the strong Mayville frosh and, to everyone's surprise and delight, defeated them. Off to a great start, Tech's men then swamped Notre Dame of Canada and rolled on to bring defeat to Mesabi and Itasca. Shortly after the Itasca victory, the Trojans were ranked first in the state and 20th in the nation among junior colleges. Ironically, however, in the last home game of the season they suffered a severe setback at the hands of the Willmar Warriors, exploding their dreams of national honors. But they bounced back to win the next one from Vermilion. Traveling to Osseo, they came back the losers in a non-conference battle with North Hennepin. Spurred on by this loss, they trounced Hibbing soundly to finish the season and win the northern conference title. Two players were named to the NJCAA All-Region and All-Minnesota squads: Richard Watkins and Jim LeClair.