



News Release

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Offensive Players of the Week

Kari Wolford
 Minnesota Duluth

Kathleen Hruska
 South Dakota

Kari Wolford of Minnesota Duluth and Kathleen Hruska of South Dakota have been named the Offensive Players of the Week by the North Central Conference.

Wolford, a outside hitter from Avon, Minn., hit .397 (57k-11e-116ta), averaging 4.38 kills per game as Minnesota Duluth claimed the championship of the Colorado Premier Challenge with wins over Regis, Cal St.-Los Angeles, Augustana and Southwest Minnesota State.

Hruska, a junior middle hitter from Sioux Falls, S.D., averaged 4.22 kills per game while hitting .453 (76k-13e-139ta) in four matches last week. She has led USD to a 9-0 start.

Others nominated: Ellen Andrews, Augustana; Ashley Nachreiner, Minnesota State; Britta Hanson, North Dakota; Emily Baldwin, St. Cloud State; Ellen Thommes, Nebraska-Omaha.

Setter of the Week

Katie Gangelhoff
 Minnesota Duluth

Katie Gangelhoff of Minnesota Duluth has been named the Setter of the Week by the North Central Conference.

Gangelhoff, a junior from South St. Paul, Minn., averaged 15.15 assists and 2.69 digs per game in four matches at the Colorado Premier Challenge.

Others nominated: Stef Sandstrom, Minnesota State; Lisa Hoegh, Augustana; Jennifer Waterman, St. Cloud State; Gina Baldwin, South Dakota; Laura Stirling, North Dakota; Katie Agnew, Nebraska-Omaha.

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North Central Conference Volleyball Standings

Standings Through Saturday, September 1

	NCC Matches				All Matches			
	W	L	GW	GL	W	L	GW	GL
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	9	0	27	8
Minnesota Duluth	0	0	0	0	7	1	23	5
Minnesota State	0	0	0	0	7	1	23	7
Augustana	0	0	0	0	6	2	18	10
Nebraska-Omaha	0	0	0	0	6	2	20	7
St. Cloud State	0	0	0	0	5	5	17	20
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	2	6	13	20

CSTV/AVCA Ranked Teams (Sept. 3) - No. 4 Minnesota Duluth, No. 16 Nebraska-Omaha, 17. Augustana, No. T25 Minnesota State

Last Week's Results

Tuesday, August 28

St. Cloud State def. Upper Iowa 30-22, 27-30, 30-27, 30-15
 South Dakota def. Winona State 1 30-12, 30-14, 22-30, 30-23

Thursday, August 30

North Dakota def. Minnesota State Moorhead 31-29, 25-30, 30-25, 30-26
 Lewis def. St. Cloud State 30-22, 30-25, 30-23

Friday, August 31

Pittsburg State def. Nebraska-Omaha 30-23, 30-26, 33-31
 St. Cloud State def. St. Joseph's 30-22, 30-25, 26-30, 30-24
 Minnesota Duluth def. Cal St.-Los Angeles 30-17, 30-17, 30-17
 Northern State def. North Dakota 30-22, 20-30, 30-24, 25-30, 15-13
 Minnesota State def. Wayne State 30-19, 30-26, 30-15
 St. Cloud State def. St. Francis 30-24, 30-23, 30-22
 South Dakota def. Fort Hays State 30-24, 20-30, 36-38, 32-30, 15-9
 Washburn def. Minnesota State 30-24, 24-30, 30-27, 26-30, 15-12
 South Dakota def. Emporia State 30-20, 28-30, 30-32, 30-24, 15-13
 Northern Michigan def. North Dakota 30-21, 29-31, 26-30, 30-19, 15-13
 Nebraska-Omaha def. Florida Southern 33-31, 30-26, 24-30, 30-28
 Augustana def. Central Missouri 30-28, 30-27, 30-28
 Augustana def. Chico State 28-30, 24-30, 30-27, 30-27, 15-8
 Minnesota Duluth def. Regis 30-20, 30-27, 30-27

Saturday, September 1

Minnesota State def. Colorado-Colorado Springs 31-33, 30-13, 30-20, 21-30, 18-16
 Nebraska-Omaha def. St. Leo 30-23, 30-24, 30-26
 Southern Indiana def. St. Cloud State 26-30, 30-19, 24-30, 30-28, 15-12
 Minnesota State def. Nebraska-Kearney 30-15, 30-23, 30-19
 South Dakota def. Newman 31-29, 25-30, 30-15, 30-24
 Wisconsin-Parkside def. St. Cloud State 30-27, 30-23, 30-19
 Nebraska-Omaha def. Lees-McRae 30-18, 30-14, 30-15
 North Dakota def. Chadron State 30-20, 30-15, 26-30, 30-20
 South Dakota def. Missouri Western State 21-30, 30-23, 30-25, 30-24
 Minnesota Duluth def. Augustana 30-15, 30-19, 30-13
 Minnesota Duluth def. Southwest Minnesota State 25-30, 31-29, 30-23, 30-17
 Augustana def. West Texas A&M 34-32, 30-28, 26-30, 30-27

Player of the Week Honor Roll

Offensive Player Honor Roll:

Aug. 27 - Carlie Christensen, Nebraska-Omaha
 Sept. 4 - Kari Wolford, Minnesota Duluth
 Kathleen Hruska, South Dakota

Defensive Player Honor Roll:

Aug. 27 - Crystal Hoffrogge, Nebraska-Omaha
 Sept. 4 - Danielle Zimmermann, Minnesota St.

Setter Honor Roll:

Aug. 27 - Katie Gangelhoff, Minnesota Duluth
 Sept. 4 - Katie Gangelhoff, Minnesota Duluth

Defensive Player of the Week Danielle Zimmermann, Minnesota State

Danielle Zimmermann of Minnesota State has been named the Defensive Player of the Week by the North Central Conference.

Zimmermann, a junior from Wellsburg, Iowa, averaged 2.13 blocks per game as

the Mavericks went 3-1 at the Rockhurst tournament.

Others nominated: Crystal Hoffrogge, Minnesota Duluth; Kati Newgard, Augustana; Megan Langseth, North Dakota; Andreana Pieper, St. Cloud State; Annie Rice, Nebraska-Omaha.

The Notebook

AUGUSTANA - Despite being unranked, Augustana went 3-1 last week against ranked opponents to finish third at the Colorado Premier Challenge in Denver. The Vikings knocked off No. 12 Central Missouri, No. 13 Chico State and No. 14 West Texas A&M to finish third. Augie's only blemish was a loss to No. 2 Minnesota Duluth...Ellen Andrews and Lisa Hoegh had strong matches in the consolation win over West Texas A&M. Andrews pounded a career-high 23 kills, the first 20-kill match of her career, while Hoegh dished out a season-high 59 assists...Andrews and Hoegh were honored on the all-tournament team.

MINNESOTA DULUTH - Minnesota Duluth volleyball team walked away with gold in an all Minnesota final in the championship match at the Denver Premier Tournament this past weekend in Denver, Colo. The Bulldogs defeated No. 25 Southwest Minnesota State University for the title at the prestigious tournament...UMD also secured wins over Cal St.-Los Angeles, Regis, and Augustana...S Katie Gangelhoff, OH Danielle Beckstrand and three-time AVCA All-American and 2006 AVCA Division II Co-National Player of the Year Vicky Braegelmann were named to the all-tournament team...Braegelmann left Denver with the Most Valuable Player honor at the tournament... Braegelmann totaled 56 kills during the Bulldogs four victories for a .343 attack percentage. Her match-high of the tournament came when she pounded down 23 against SMSU...Gangelhoff left the court with a total of 197 assists during UMD's four matches, averaging 15.15 assists per game...Beckstrand finished the tournament with 48 kills and 3.69 kills per game average. She also had 33 digs during the Bulldogs four wins.

ST. CLOUD STATE - SCSU's Emily Baldwin was named to the Flyer Festival All-Tournament team.

SOUTH DAKOTA - The Coyotes are undefeated on the season at 9-0, the best start in team history.