



# News Release

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## Offensive Player of the Week

**Kathleen Hruska**  
**South Dakota**

Kathleen Hruska of South Dakota have been named the Offensive Player of the Week by the North Central Conference.

Hruska, a junior middle hitter from Sioux Falls, S.D., averaged 4.62 kills per game while hitting .404 (60k-16e-109ta) in four matches at the Northwest Bearcat Classic last week. She has led USD to a 13-0 start.

Others nominated: Cayla Schroeder, Augustana; Kari Wolford, Minnesota Duluth; Mary Blume, North Dakota; Amanda Beckman, Minnesota State; Ellen Thommes, Nebraska-Omaha.

## Defensive Player of the Week

**Cayla Schroeder**  
**Augustana**

Cayla Schoeder of Augustana has been named the Defensive Player of the Week by the North Central Conference.

Schoeder, a junior outside hitter from Kasson, Minn., averaged 4.47 digs and 0.20 blocks per game as the Vikings rolled through the Northwest Bearcat Classic.

Others nominated: Jamie Tooley, Nebraska-Omaha; Crystal Hoffrogge, Minnesota Duluth; Amber Kobus, South Dakota; Ashley Nachreiner, Minnesota State; Courtney Halvorson, North Dakota

## 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 14.46 assists and 2.15 digs per game in four matches at the UMD Volleyball Classic.

Others nominated: Stef Sandstrom, Minnesota State; Lisa Hoegh, Augustana; Megan Langseth, North Dakota; Katie Agnew, Nebraska-Omaha.

## North Central Conference Volleyball Standings

### Standings Through Saturday, September 8

	NCC Matches				All Matches			
	W	L	GW	GL	W	L	GW	GL
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	13	0	39	9
Minnesota Duluth	0	0	0	0	11	1	35	6
Minnesota State	0	0	0	0	10	1	32	8
Augustana	0	0	0	0	10	2	30	13
Nebraska-Omaha	0	0	0	0	7	2	23	7
St. Cloud State	0	0	0	0	5	6	18	23
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	3	9	19	31

**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, September 4

Concordia-St. Paul def. St. Cloud State 30-19, 30-17, 28-30, 30-13

#### Wednesday, September 5

Nebraska-Omaha def. Wayne St. 30-20, 30-16, 30-21

#### Thursday, September 6

Minnesota St. def. Lake Superior State 30-25, 30-24, 30-17

Minnesota Duluth def. Michigan Tech 30-8, 30-16, 30-14

#### Friday, September 7

Augustana def. Newman 30-17, 30-20, 31-29

Minnesota St. def. West Texas A&M 30-28, 15-30, 30-24, 30-23

Minnesota St. def. Lake Superior St. 30-23, 30-20, 30-15

Ferris St. def. North Dakota 26-30, 30-21, 30-19, 24-30, 15-11

South Dakota def. NW Missouri St. 30-24, 30-20, 22-30, 30-27

Augustana def. Southwest Baptist 25-30, 30-18, 30-28, 30-28

Minnesota State def. Michigan Tech 30-19, 30-20, 30-23

West Texas A&M def. North Dakota 30-17, 30-19, 30-19

South Dakota def. Newman 30-19, 30-20, 30-15

Minnesota Duluth def. Ferris State 30-28, 30-21, 30-15

#### Saturday, September 8

Lake Superior State def. North Dakota 30-13, 30-27, 29-31, 30-26

South Dakota def. Southwest Baptist 30-23, 30-28, 30-25

Augustana def. Texas A&M International 30-26, 30-23, 30-20

North Dakota def. Michigan Tech 29-31, 29-31, 30-28, 30-24, 15-8

Augustana def. Northwest Missouri State 30-21, 25-30, 21-30, 30-32, 15-11

South Dakota def. Texas A&M International 30-18, 30-15, 30-11

Minnesota Duluth def. West Texas A&M 30-21, 30-28, 29-31, 30-24

## 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  
 Sept. 10- Kathleen Hruska, South Dakota

### Defensive Player Honor Roll:

Aug. 27 - Crystal Hoffrogge, Minnesota Duluth  
 Sept. 4 - Danielle Zimmermann, Minnesota St.  
 Sept. 10- Cayla Schroeder, Augustana

### Setter Honor Roll:

Aug. 27 - Katie Gangelhoff, Minnesota Duluth  
 Sept. 4 - Katie Gangelhoff, Minnesota Duluth  
 Sept. 10- Katie Gangelhoff, Minnesota Duluth

## This Week's Schedule

### Tuesday, September 11

Augustana at SW Minnesota St., 7 p.m.  
 Minnesota Duluth at Concordia-St. Paul, 7 p.m.  
 Bemidji St. at St. Cloud St., 7 p.m.

### Wednesday, September 12

South Dakota at Wayne St., 7 p.m.

### Friday, September 14

\*Nebraska-Omaha at Minnesota Duluth, 7 p.m.  
 \*North Dakota at Minnesota St., 7 p.m.  
 \*South Dakota at Augustana, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, September 15

\*North Dakota at Minnesota Duluth, 4 p.m.  
 \*St. Cloud St. at Augustana, 5 p.m.  
 \*Nebraska-Omaha at Minnesota St., 7 p.m.

**Conference Season Opens** - The final North Central Conference volleyball season is slated to get underway on Friday and Saturday with a trio of games each day. Minnesota Duluth is on a quest for its fourth straight NCC title.

### The Notebook

**AUGUSTANA** - Augustana extended its winning streak to 5 matches with a 4-0 showing at the Northwest Missouri State Bearcat Classic. It is Augie's second 5-match winning streak of the year...Cayla Schroeder had 4 double-doubles last week, bringing her season total to seven. She capped the weekend with a 21-kill, 21-dig effort against Northwest Missouri State...S Lisa Hoegh averaged 13.40 assists and 3.27 digs per game last weekend. That included a season-high 60 assists and career high 19 digs against Southwest Baptist...Hoegh and Schroeder were named to the Northwest Bearcat All-Tourney team.

**MINNESOTA DULUTH** - Minnesota Duluth had quite a run at the UMD Classic last weekend, going a perfect 4-0 with victories over Michigan Tech, Lake Superior State, Ferris State and West Texas A&M. The Bulldogs have now won nine matches in a row and are off to an 11-1 start to the season...In the second game of UMD's four-game win over West Texas A&M, OH Kari Wolford joined an elite club in Bulldog volleyball history as she recorded her 1,000th career-kill. Wolford tallied a total of 21 kills against West Texas A&M to finish the contest with 1,011 for her career...The Bulldogs had four players named to the UMD Classic all-tournament team including S Katie Gangelhoff, Wolford, MB Sarah Wyffels and RSH Vicky Braegelmann, the tournament MVP.

**NEBRASKA-OMAHA** - MB Carlie Christensen has moved up to sixth on the Maverick career charts with 341 block assists...S Katie Agnew ranks 11th with 1,634 career set assists...All-American Carlie Christensen will be looking to become the 16th player in school history to record 1,000 career kills. The senior from Omaha has tallied 978 kills to date.

**NORTH DAKOTA** - The Fighting Sioux volleyball team went 1-3 at the Minnesota Duluth Classic...their lone victory was against Michigan Tech in a five-game match...Tara Holmen \ surpassed 1,000 career kills in the match against Michigan Tech...Holmen also set the Fighting Sioux record in block assists during the match with six block assists to raise her career total to 362...Holmen raised her career total in total blocks to 407 and becomes the third player in UND history to accomplish the feat...S/L Megan Langseth set a career high in set assists with 59 set assists against Michigan Tech...UND will return to action on Friday against Minnesota State.

**ST. CLOUD STATE** - The SCSU volleyball team (5-6, 0-0 NCC) returns home for a non-conference match against Bemidji State on Tuesday, Sept. 11, in Halenbeck Hall... SCSU opens NCC action on Saturday, Sept. 15, in Sioux Falls, S.D., with a match against Augustana...SCSU's L Andreana Pieper is closing in on 1,000 career digs. Pieper has 863 digs in 249 career games played and is averaging 5.29 digs per game in 2007.

**SOUTH DAKOTA** - Kathleen Hruska and Amber Kobus were named to the Northwest Bearcat All-Tourney team.

**2007 North Central Conference  
Conference Individual Leaders as of Sep 10, 2007**

(Players listed below meet or exceed the minimums and have played in at least 50.00 percent of their team's games.)

HITTING PERCENTAGE (Minimum .200/3.0 attacks per game)							
Player	Team	Cl	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Heather Hult.....	USD	JR	45	126	21	232	.453
2. Ellen Thommes.....	UNO	SO	30	101	17	194	.433
3. Kathleen Hruska.....	USD	JR	48	222	45	426	.415
4. Sarah Wyffels.....	UMD	SO	41	121	26	236	.403
5. Vicky Braegelmann...	UMD	SR	41	183	49	336	.399
6. Carlie Christensen..	UNO	SR	30	117	28	227	.392
7. Kimber Kuhl.....	MSU	FR	20	37	9	73	.384
8. Nicole McLeod.....	UNO	SR	30	74	16	169	.343
9. Kari Wolford.....	UMD	SR	41	173	39	415	.323
10. Allison Kunath.....	MSU	JR	24	45	16	92	.315
11. Danielle Zimmermann.	MSU	SO	37	68	21	151	.311
12. Ashley Nachreiner...	MSU	JR	38	170	48	397	.307
13. Ashley Gross.....	USD	SR	49	137	40	327	.297
14. Katie Agnew.....	UNO	SR	30	38	8	103	.291
15. Amanda Beekman.....	MSU	FR	38	128	39	329	.271

KILLS (Minimum 2.00 per game)						
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Avg/G	
1. Kathleen Hruska.....	USD	JR	48	222	4.62	
2. Ashley Nachreiner...	MSU	JR	38	170	4.47	
3. Vicky Braegelmann...	UMD	SR	41	183	4.46	
4. Kari Wolford.....	UMD	SR	41	173	4.22	
5. Emily Baldwin.....	SCSU	JR	41	167	4.07	
6. Carlie Christensen..	UNO	SR	30	117	3.90	
7. Cayla Schroeder.....	AC	JR	43	155	3.60	
Ellen Andrews.....	AC	SO	43	155	3.60	
9. Britta Hanson.....	UND	SO	50	172	3.44	
10. Amanda Beekman.....	MSU	FR	38	128	3.37	
11. Ellen Thommes.....	UNO	SO	30	101	3.37	
12. Kati Newgard.....	AC	JR	43	137	3.19	
13. Mary Blume.....	UND	SR	50	148	2.96	
14. Sarah Wyffels.....	UMD	SO	41	121	2.95	
15. Kelli Goeser.....	UNO	SO	24	69	2.88	

ASSISTS (Minimum 5.00 per game)					
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Katie Gangelhoff....	UMD	JR	41	591	14.41
2. Katie Agnew.....	UNO	SR	30	386	12.87
3. Gina Baldwin.....	USD	SO	49	592	12.08
4. Lisa Hoegh.....	AC	JR	43	513	11.93
5. Stef Sandstrom.....	MSU	SR	38	447	11.76
6. Jennifer Waterman...	SCSU	FR	41	412	10.05
7. Allison Louwagie....	UND	JR	32	287	8.97

SERVICE ACES (Minimum 0.10 per game)					
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Kari Wolford.....	UMD	SR	41	33	0.80
2. Ashley Nachreiner...	MSU	JR	38	22	0.58
3. Stef Sandstrom.....	MSU	SR	38	18	0.47
4. Annie Rice.....	UNO	JR	30	14	0.47
5. Amber Kobus.....	USD	JR	49	22	0.45
6. Crystal Hoffrogge...	UMD	SR	41	16	0.39
7. Shanna Seidel.....	SCSU	SO	41	15	0.37
8. Kelly Sandstrom.....	MSU	SO	28	9	0.32
9. Liz Ingram.....	UNO	SO	25	8	0.32
10. Allison Louwagie....	UND	JR	32	10	0.31

BLOCKS (Minimum 1.00 per game)							
Player	Team	Cl	G	Solo	Asst	Total	Avg/G
1. Danielle Zimmermann.	MSU	SO	37	10	47	57.0	1.54
2. Ellen Thommes.....	UNO	SO	30	5	39	44.0	1.47
3. Carlie Christensen..	UNO	SR	30	1	41	42.0	1.40
4. Allison Kunath.....	MSU	JR	24	6	26	32.0	1.33
5. Tara Holmen.....	UND	SR	46	6	53	59.0	1.28
6. Lindsey Clairmont...	UMD	JR	41	5	46	51.0	1.24
7. Kati Newgard.....	AC	JR	43	8	38	46.0	1.07

DIGS (Minimum 1.00 per game)						
Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Avg/G	
1. Andreaana Pieper.....	SCSU	JR	41	217	5.29	
2. Crystal Hoffrogge...	UMD	SR	41	216	5.27	
3. Annie Rice.....	UNO	JR	30	144	4.80	
4. Amber Kobus.....	USD	JR	49	217	4.43	
5. Jenna Lago.....	AC	SR	43	187	4.35	
6. Kelly Sandstrom.....	MSU	SO	28	115	4.11	
7. Kari Wolford.....	UMD	SR	41	167	4.07	
8. Cayla Schroeder.....	AC	JR	43	158	3.67	
9. Jamie Tooley.....	UNO	FR	30	110	3.67	
10. Kayla Jansen.....	UNO	SO	30	109	3.63	
11. Ashley Holmen.....	UND	SO	46	161	3.50	
12. Liz Ingram.....	UNO	SO	25	87	3.48	
13. Dana Ostertag.....	MSU	SR	38	125	3.29	
14. Danielle Beckstrand.	UMD	SR	41	133	3.24	
15. Laura Slagter.....	USD	JR	43	132	3.07	

POINTS									
Player	Team	Cl	G	K	SA	BS	BA	Points	Avg/G
1. Ashley Nachreiner...	MSU	JR	38	170	22	3	20	205.0	5.39
2. Kari Wolford.....	UMD	SR	41	173	33	1	16	215.0	5.24
3. Kathleen Hruska.....	USD	JR	48	222	7	6	32	251.0	5.23
4. Vicky Braegelmann...	UMD	SR	41	183	0	1	32	200.0	4.88
5. Carlie Christensen..	UNO	SR	30	117	0	1	41	138.5	4.62
6. Ellen Thommes.....	UNO	SO	30	101	6	5	39	131.5	4.38
7. Emily Baldwin.....	SCSU	JR	41	167	6	0	9	177.5	4.33
8. Ellen Andrews.....	AC	SO	43	155	12	4	27	184.5	4.29
9. Amanda Beekman.....	MSU	FR	38	128	11	4	33	159.5	4.20
10. Cayla Schroeder.....	AC	JR	43	155	6	2	15	170.5	3.97

**2007 North Central Conference  
Conference Team Leaders as of Sep 10, 2007**

HITTING PERCENTAGE	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Minnesota Duluth....	41	709	220	1605	.305
2. South Dakota.....	49	795	248	2004	.273
3. Nebraska-Omaha.....	30	505	165	1276	.266
4. Minnesota State.....	38	571	216	1417	.251
5. Augustana.....	43	668	274	1867	.211
6. North Dakota.....	50	669	334	1867	.179
7. St. Cloud State.....	41	530	256	1591	.172

ASSISTS	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Minnesota Duluth....	41	663	16.17
2. Nebraska-Omaha.....	30	460	15.33
3. Augustana.....	43	606	14.09
4. Minnesota State.....	38	529	13.92
5. South Dakota.....	49	678	13.84
6. North Dakota.....	50	592	11.84
7. St. Cloud State.....	41	466	11.37

BLOCKS	G	Solo	Asst	Total	Avg/G
1. Minnesota State.....	38	29	186	122.0	3.21
2. Nebraska-Omaha.....	30	8	161	88.5	2.95
3. North Dakota.....	50	14	211	119.5	2.39
4. Augustana.....	43	22	152	98.0	2.28
5. Minnesota Duluth....	41	12	154	89.0	2.17
6. South Dakota.....	49	27	131	92.5	1.89
7. St. Cloud State.....	41	17	106	70.0	1.71

MATCH WON-LOST PCT	--Conference--		---Overall---	
	W-L	Pct	W-L	Pct
South Dakota.....	0-0	.000	13-0	1.000
Minnesota Duluth....	0-0	.000	11-1	.917
Minnesota State.....	0-0	.000	10-1	.909
Augustana.....	0-0	.000	10-2	.833
Nebraska-Omaha.....	0-0	.000	7-2	.778
St. Cloud State.....	0-0	.000	5-6	.455
North Dakota.....	0-0	.000	3-9	.250

OPPONENT HITTING PCT	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Nebraska-Omaha.....	30	370	220	1351	.111
2. Minnesota State.....	38	432	272	1369	.117
3. Minnesota Duluth....	41	462	271	1617	.118
4. South Dakota.....	49	607	312	1798	.164
5. Augustana.....	43	659	291	1875	.196
6. North Dakota.....	50	730	332	1935	.206
7. St. Cloud State.....	41	626	244	1678	.228

KILLS	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Minnesota Duluth....	41	709	17.29
2. Nebraska-Omaha.....	30	505	16.83
3. South Dakota.....	49	795	16.22
4. Augustana.....	43	668	15.53
5. Minnesota State.....	38	571	15.03
6. North Dakota.....	50	669	13.38
7. St. Cloud State.....	41	530	12.93

SERVICE ACES	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Minnesota Duluth....	41	94	2.29
2. Minnesota State.....	38	78	2.05
3. Nebraska-Omaha.....	30	50	1.67
4. Augustana.....	43	62	1.44
5. St. Cloud State.....	41	59	1.44
6. South Dakota.....	49	65	1.33
7. North Dakota.....	50	62	1.24

DIGS	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Nebraska-Omaha.....	30	639	21.30
2. Augustana.....	43	792	18.42
3. Minnesota Duluth....	41	754	18.39
4. St. Cloud State.....	41	695	16.95
5. Minnesota State.....	38	632	16.63
6. South Dakota.....	49	804	16.41
7. North Dakota.....	50	751	15.02