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Offensive Player of the Week

Vicky Braegelmann
Minnesota Duluth

Vicky Braegelmann of Minnesota Duluth has been named the Offensive Player of the Week by the North Central Conference.

Braegelmann, a junior from Albany, Minn., hit .461 (60k-13e-102ta) as the Bulldogs posted a 3-1 record at the Colorado Premier Tournament. She averaged 4.29 kills per game.

Others nominated: Carlie Christensen, Nebraska-Omaha; Britta Hanson, North Dakota; Lindsey Gothe, St. Cloud State; Heather Hult, South Dakota; Andrea Oswald, Augustana; Ashley Nachreiner, Minnesota State.

Defensive Player of the Week

Amber Kobus
South Dakota

Amber Kobus of South Dakota has been named the Defensive Player of the Week by the North Central Conference.

Kobus, a sophomore from Columbus, Neb., averaged 7.94 digs and 0.76 service aces per game as the Coyotes went 2-2 at the Northern Extreme Fall Classic with wins over Upper Iowa and Minnesota State-Moorhead.

Others nominated: Lindsey Gothe, St. Cloud State; Rachel Langseth, Minnesota Duluth; Lindsay Vortherms, North Dakota; Stacie Wemhoff, Nebraska-Omaha; Abby Schmidt, Augustana; Cassie Wolpren, Minnesota State.

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 sophomore from South St. Paul, Minn., averaged 13.93 assists per game as the Bulldogs went 3-1 at the Colorado Premier Tournament.

Others nominated: Sierra Nowak, St. Cloud St.; Allison Louwagie, North Dakota; Katie Agnew, Nebraska-Omaha; Stef Sandstrom, Minnesota State.

North Central Conference Volleyball Standings

Standings Through Saturday, September 2

	NCC Matches				All Matches			
	W	L	GW	GL	W	L	GW	GL
Nebraska-Omaha	0	0	0	0	7	0	21	4
Minnesota Duluth	0	0	0	0	7	1	23	3
Minnesota State	0	0	0	0	7	1	22	8
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	4	4	14	14
South Dakota	0	0	0	0	3	5	15	20
Augustana	0	0	0	0	2	6	15	19
St. Cloud State	0	0	0	0	2	7	14	22

CSTV/AVCA Ranked Teams (Aug. 21) - No. 5 Minnesota Duluth, No. 24 Nebraska-Omaha

Last Week's Results

Tuesday, August 30

SW Minnesota St. def. St. Cloud St. 30-21, 30-26, 30-22

Friday, September 1

Minnesota St. def. Upper Iowa 30-27, 30-23, 30-22
 Northern St. def. St. Cloud St. 30-27, 30-18, 29-31, 30-27
 North Dakota def. Upper Iowa 30-18, 30-20, 30-24
 Mary def. South Dakota 30-22, 30-25, 21-30, 30-24
 Dickinson St. def. St. Cloud St. 23-30, 27-30, 30-25, 30-23, 15-11
 Minnesota St. def. Minnesota St.-Moorhead 30-20, 17-30, 30-27, 28-30, 15-9
 Northern St. def. South Dakota 20-30, 30-28, 26-30, 30-28, 15-9
 North Dakota def. Mary 30-26, 30-19, 30-25
 Nebraska-Omaha def. Emporia St. 26-30, 30-20, 30-19, 30-32, 16-14
 Nebraska-Omaha def. Fort Hays St. 30-13, 30-13, 30-19
 West Texas A&M def. Augustana 32-30, 30-27, 24-30, 30-21
 Tampa def. Augustana 32-30, 30-17, 24-30, 30-28
 Minnesota Duluth def. Mesa St. 30-19, 30-19, 30-15
 Florida Southern def. Minnesota Duluth 20-30, 21-30, 30-28, 35-33, 18-16

Saturday, September 2

South Dakota def. Upper Iowa 30-21, 30-23, 29-31, 30-21
 Minnesota St.-Moorhead def. St. Cloud St. 30-27, 30-17, 30-28
 Northern St. def. North Dakota 30-21, 30-27, 24-30, 15-30, 15-10
 Minnesota St. def. Mary 30-13, 30-27, 30-28
 South Dakota def. Minnesota St.-Moorhead 30-27, 18-30, 15-30, 30-26, 16-14
 Mary def. St. Cloud St. 30-28, 19-30, 32-30, 21-30, 17-15
 Minnesota St. def. Northern St. 30-22, 28-30, 30-24, 30-23
 North Dakota def. Dickinson St. 28-30, 30-28, 30-27, 15-30, 15-7
 Nebraska-Omaha def. Missouri Western 30-22, 30-25, 30-20
 Nebraska-Omaha def. NW Missouri St. 30-22, 30-28, 34-32
 Augustana 3 def. Regis 27-30, 30-19, 30-20, 30-24
 Minnesota Duluth def. Abilene Christian 27-30, 30-19, 30-20, 30-24
 Augustana def. Metro State 30-22, 32-30, 21-30, 26-30, 15-10
 Minnesota Duluth def. West Texas A&M 30-18, 30-17, 30-17

Player of the Week Honor Roll

Offensive Player Honor Roll:

Aug. 28 - Vicky Braegelmann, Minnesota Duluth
Sept. 5 - Vicky Braegelmann, Minnesota Duluth

Defensive Player Honor Roll:

Aug. 28 - Christina Reicks, Nebraska-Omaha
Sept. 5 - Amber Kobus, South Dakota

Setter Honor Roll:

Aug. 28 - Katie Gangelhoff, Minnesota Duluth
Sept. 5 - Katie Gangelhoff, Minnesota Duluth

This Week's Schedule

Tuesday, September 5

SW Minnesota St. at Minnesota Duluth, 6 p.m.
St. Cloud St. at Concordia-St. Paul, 7 p.m.
Nebraska-Omaha at Wayne St., 7 p.m.

Thursday, September 7

North Dakota at SW Minnesota St., 7 p.m.

Friday, September 8

Nebraska-Omaha vs. Fort Hays St., 9 a.m.
South Dakota at Washburn, 9 a.m.
Minnesota St. vs. Emporia St., 9 a.m.
Minnesota Duluth vs. North Alabama, 11 a.m.
Nebraska-Omaha vs. Truman St., 1 p.m.
Minnesota St. at Washburn, 3 p.m.
Minnesota Duluth vs. Emporia St., 5 p.m.
South Dakota vs. Fort Hays St., 5 p.m.
Augustana vs. NW Missouri St., 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 9

Minnesota Duluth vs. NW Missouri St., 9 a.m.
Nebraska-Omaha at Washburn, 9 a.m.
Augustana vs. Pittsburg St., 11 a.m.
South Dakota vs. Emporia St., 11 a.m.
Minnesota St. vs. Fort Hays St., 11 a.m.
Minnesota Duluth vs. Truman St., 1 p.m.
Augustana vs. Fort Hays St., 1 p.m.
Nebraska-Omaha vs. Emporia St., 3 p.m.
Minnesota St. vs. NW Missouri St., 3 p.m.
South Dakota vs. Pittsburg St., 5 p.m.

Season Moves Along - The volleyball season is two weeks old and the conference schools have one more weekend of non-conference play before the NCC slate begins on Friday, September 15.

The Notebook

Augustana - Three of Augustana's six losses have come in 5 games...Andrea Oswald has had at least 20 kills in 4 matches this season and is hitting .321 on the year...Blythe Johnson has had at least 4 blocks in her last 6 matches...Abby Schmidt averaged 6.0 digs per game at the Colorado Premier.

Nebraska-Omaha - At 7-0, Mavericks are off to their best start since the 2000 season when they started with 15 straight wins...UNO is 6-0 against MIAA opponents with four more MIAA teams on tap this week...Carlie Christensen, Christina Reicks, and Stacie Wemhoff were named to the all-tournament team at the Missouri Western Invitational.

South Dakota - Libero Amber Kobus had a career-high 41 digs against Northern State..Middle blocker Heather Hult posted a career-high 17 kills and had a .455 hitting percentage in the win over Upper Iowa...USD had 95 digs compared to just 66 by MSU Moorhead as the Coyotes rallied from a 2-1 deficit to win the match 3-2...USD picked up the 300th victory in the history of the program when they rallied to defeat MSU Moorhead on Saturday 3-2.

National Statistics - NCAA Division II national statistics will be released for the first time this week and then every-other week through the end of the season.

**2006 North Central Conference
Conference Individual Leaders as of Sep 05, 2006**

(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. Vicky Braegelmann...	UMD	JR	25	118	21	195	.497
2. Carlie Christensen..	UNO	JR	25	92	16	165	.461
3. Rachel Langseth.....	UMD	SR	24	78	17	143	.427
4. Sarah Wyffels.....	UMD	FR	18	34	6	78	.359
5. Nicole McLeod.....	UNO	JR	25	56	11	128	.352
6. Dana Ostertag.....	MSU	JR	21	52	14	111	.342
7. Andrea Oswald.....	AC	SR	34	145	45	312	.321
8. Kristi Pangrac.....	SCSU	JR	36	114	36	254	.307
9. Megan Stroud.....	MSU	JR	30	68	20	160	.300
10. Katie Agnew.....	UNO	JR	25	26	4	78	.282

KILLS (Minimum 2.00 per game)

Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Vicky Braegelmann...	UMD	JR	25	118	4.72
2. Andrea Oswald.....	AC	SR	34	145	4.26
3. Kari Wolford.....	UMD	JR	24	94	3.92
4. Carlie Christensen..	UNO	JR	25	92	3.68
5. Lindsey Gothe.....	SCSU	SR	36	128	3.56
6. Christina Reicks....	UNO	SR	25	87	3.48
7. Rachel Langseth.....	UMD	SR	24	78	3.25
8. Kristi Pangrac.....	SCSU	JR	36	114	3.17
9. Ashley Nachreiner...	MSU	SO	30	92	3.07
10. Terrin Post.....	AC	SR	34	101	2.97

ASSISTS (Minimum 5.00 per game)

Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Katie Gangelhoff....	UMD	SO	26	370	14.23
2. Sierra Nowak.....	SCSU	SR	36	413	11.47
3. Katie Agnew.....	UNO	JR	25	280	11.20
4. Stef Sandstrom.....	MSU	JR	30	324	10.80
5. Jenna Lago.....	AC	JR	34	349	10.26
6. Allison Louwagie....	UND	SO	28	268	9.57
7. Casey Beardsley.....	USD	SR	29	185	6.38

SERVICE ACES (Minimum 0.10 per game)

Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Amber Kobus.....	USD	SO	34	21	0.62
2. Annie Rice.....	UNO	SO	24	11	0.46
3. Aileen Cahill.....	UND	SR	25	11	0.44
4. Ashley Nachreiner...	MSU	SO	30	12	0.40
5. Chelsea Meierotto...	UMD	SR	26	10	0.38
6. Casey Beardsley.....	USD	SR	29	11	0.38
7. Andreaana Pieper.....	SCSU	SO	33	12	0.36
8. Carlie Christensen..	UNO	JR	25	9	0.36
9. Stef Sandstrom.....	MSU	JR	30	10	0.33
10. Christina Reicks....	UNO	SR	25	8	0.32

BLOCKS (Minimum 1.00 per game)

Player	Team	Cl	G	Solo	Asst	Total	Avg/G
1. Lindsey Clairmont...	UMD	SO	21	3	27	30.0	1.43
2. Blythe Johnson.....	AC	FR	34	7	31	38.0	1.12
3. Andrea Oswald.....	AC	SR	34	8	29	37.0	1.09
4. Rebecca Zenefski....	SCSU	SO	36	6	33	39.0	1.08
5. Britta Hanson.....	UND	FR	28	4	26	30.0	1.07
6. Rachel Langseth.....	UMD	SR	24	1	24	25.0	1.04
Ellen Andrews.....	AC	FR	24	4	21	25.0	1.04
8. Mary Blume.....	UND	JR	18	2	16	18.0	1.00
Carlie Christensen..	UNO	JR	25	1	24	25.0	1.00
Heather Hult.....	USD	SO	35	11	24	35.0	1.00

DIGS (Minimum 1.00 per game)

Player	Team	Cl	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Amber Kobus.....	USD	SO	34	210	6.18
2. Chelsea Meierotto...	UMD	SR	26	151	5.81
3. Cassie Wolpern.....	MSU	SR	30	164	5.47
4. Abby Schmidt.....	AC	SR	34	168	4.94
5. Lindsay Vortherms...	UND	SO	24	117	4.88
6. Stacie Wemhoff.....	UNO	SR	25	113	4.52
7. Christina Reicks....	UNO	SR	25	111	4.44
8. Aileen Cahill.....	UND	SR	25	102	4.08
9. Mandy Reuter.....	MSU	SR	30	117	3.90
10. Lisa Rohret.....	MSU	SO	25	91	3.64

**2006 North Central Conference
Conference Team Leaders as of Sep 05, 2006**

HITTING PERCENTAGE	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Minnesota Duluth....	26	446	157	1019	.284
2. Nebraska-Omaha.....	25	365	103	972	.270
3. Minnesota State.....	30	456	169	1267	.227
4. St. Cloud State.....	36	508	232	1373	.201
5. North Dakota.....	28	412	200	1177	.180
6. Augustana.....	34	458	231	1374	.165
7. South Dakota.....	35	420	236	1436	.128

ASSISTS	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Minnesota Duluth....	26	420	16.15
2. Minnesota State.....	30	413	13.77
3. Nebraska-Omaha.....	25	339	13.56
4. North Dakota.....	28	371	13.25
5. Augustana.....	34	424	12.47
6. St. Cloud State.....	36	435	12.08
7. South Dakota.....	35	394	11.26

BLOCKS	G	Solo	Asst	Total	Avg/G
1. Minnesota Duluth....	26	17	112	73.0	2.81
2. Augustana.....	34	30	121	90.5	2.66
3. Minnesota State.....	30	22	112	78.0	2.60
4. South Dakota.....	35	35	94	82.0	2.34
5. St. Cloud State.....	36	22	116	80.0	2.22
6. North Dakota.....	28	6	105	58.5	2.09
7. Nebraska-Omaha.....	25	5	84	47.0	1.88

MATCH WON-LOST PCT	--Conference--		---Overall---	
	W-L	Pct	W-L	Pct
Nebraska-Omaha.....	0-0	.000	7-0	1.000
Minnesota Duluth....	0-0	.000	7-1	.875
Minnesota State.....	0-0	.000	7-1	.875
North Dakota.....	0-0	.000	4-4	.500
South Dakota.....	0-0	.000	3-5	.375
Augustana.....	0-0	.000	2-6	.250
St. Cloud State.....	0-0	.000	2-7	.222

OPPONENT HITTING PCT	G	Kills	Errs	Total	Pct
1. Minnesota Duluth....	26	263	201	941	.066
2. Minnesota State.....	30	352	202	1187	.126
3. Nebraska-Omaha.....	25	274	150	981	.126
4. South Dakota.....	35	482	239	1463	.166
5. Augustana.....	34	502	255	1434	.172
6. North Dakota.....	28	357	158	1113	.179
7. St. Cloud State.....	36	565	213	1456	.242

KILLS	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Minnesota Duluth....	26	446	17.15
2. Minnesota State.....	30	456	15.20
3. North Dakota.....	28	412	14.71
4. Nebraska-Omaha.....	25	365	14.60
5. St. Cloud State.....	36	508	14.11
6. Augustana.....	34	458	13.47
7. South Dakota.....	35	420	12.00

SERVICE ACES	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Nebraska-Omaha.....	25	50	2.00
2. South Dakota.....	35	62	1.77
3. Minnesota State.....	30	53	1.77
4. Minnesota Duluth....	26	44	1.69
5. North Dakota.....	28	44	1.57
6. St. Cloud State.....	36	52	1.44
7. Augustana.....	34	35	1.03

DIGS	G	No.	Avg/G
1. Minnesota State.....	30	636	21.20
2. Nebraska-Omaha.....	25	476	19.04
3. North Dakota.....	28	520	18.57
4. South Dakota.....	35	625	17.86
5. Minnesota Duluth....	26	455	17.50
6. Augustana.....	34	588	17.29
7. St. Cloud State.....	36	516	14.33