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McCawley is Player of the Year; Shandri Named Freshman of the Year; Miscek Crowned Coach of the Year

Three Repeat Selections Highlight All-NCC Soccer Squad

Sioux Falls, S.D. -- Nebraska-Omaha and Minnesota State combined for seven members of the 11-member All-North Central Conference women's soccer first team selected by league coaches. Nebraska-Omaha's Dani McCawley was selected as the league's Most Valuable Player and Katie Shandri of Augustana was selected as the Freshman of the Year. Chris Miscek of Minnesota State was named the Coach of the Year.

Tara Wegehaupt & Dani McCawley of Nebraska-Omaha and Briana Francisco of Minnesota Duluth were selected to the team for the second time in their careers.

McCawley collected three goals and added two assists while taking 17 shots in league play. This marks the third consecutive year that a UNO player has been named the Player of the Year following Beth McGill taking the honor in 2005 and 2006.

Shandri finished second in the league stats with 43 shots, was tied for third with five goals and tied for fifth with 12 points. Shandri is the second Augie player to be named Freshman of the Year with the other honoree being Erin Seidel in 2003.

Miscek is being honored by her peers for the fourth time in her 12-year career. She was previously honored in 2000, 2003 and 2005. She guided the Mavericks to a 12-0 record in NCC play and a 17-2 mark overall, shutting out a team-record 12 opponents. The 2007 MSU squad is the first team to go through the NCC double-round robin schedule without a loss or tie. The Mavericks will host the first and second round of the NCAA Division II Women's Soccer Championship and will face the winner of the Mary/Central Missouri game on Sunday. Miscek has announced her retirement from coaching at the end of the season.

Here is the 2007-2008 All-North Central Conference Soccer Team as selected by the league's coaches:

2007-2008 All-North Central Conference Soccer Team

First Team

<u>Name</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Top NCC Stats</u>
Brandie Beale	Nebraska-Omaha	F	Sr.	Independence, Mo.	46 shots, 14 pts., 8 assists
Casey Bigsby	Nebraska-Omaha	F	Jr.	Omaha, Neb.	18 pts., 35 shots, 8 goals
Carly Petersen	Minnesota State	F	Jr.	Verona, Wis.	14 pts., 5 goals, 4 asst., 35 shots
Heather Cutter	Minnesota Duluth	M	Sr.	Chaska, Minn.	3 goals, 17 shots, 7 pts.
Dani McCawley*	Nebraska-Omaha	M	Sr.	Ralston, Neb.	3 goals, 2 assts., 17 shots
Gina Paletta	Minnesota State	M	So.	Omaha, Neb.	2 goals, 1 asst., 5 pts, 21 shots
Tara Wegehaupt*	Nebraska-Omaha	M	Jr.	Duluth, Minn.	6 shots
Jill Goodrich	Augustana	D	Fr.	Coralville, Iowa	1 goal, 1 assist, 5 shots
Emily Petrovich	Minnesota State	D	Fr.	Omaha, Neb.	1 assist, 1 shot
Brooke Youds	South Dakota	D	Sr.	Maple Grove, Minn.	1 goal, 5 shots
Briana Francisco*	Minnesota Duluth	GK	Sr.	Eden Prairie, Minn.	1.06 GAA, .828 save%, 5 shutouts

*-Two-time selection (first team only)

Second Team

<u>Name</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Top NCC Stats</u>
Lauren Herrmann	North Dakota	F	So.	Eagan, Minn.	1 goal, 26 shots
Laura Leber	Minnesota State	F	Fr.	Council Bluffs, Iowa	20 pts., 9 goals, 2 asst., 36 shots
Katie Shandri	Augustana	F	Fr.	Windsor Heights, Iowa	12 pts., 5 goals, 2 asst., 12 shots
Kelly Duchene	Minnesota Duluth	M	So.	Chanhasen, Minn.	2 goals, 1 asst., 5 pts., 15 shots
Marti Klinsing	Minnesota State	M	Jr.	Wayzata, Minn.	3 goals, 3 asst., 17 shots, 9 pts.
Lara Traczyk	North Dakota	M	Jr.	Markham, Ont.	2 goals, 2 asst., 6 pts., 29 shots
Katie Freeman	South Dakota	D	Sr.	Urbandale, Iowa	3 goals, 2 asst., 8 pts., 16 shots
Laura Mayerle	Minnesota Duluth	D	Sr.	Bloomington, Minn.	5 shots
Jessica Powers	Nebraska-Omaha	D	So.	Bellevue, Neb.	6 shots
Kelly Sadler	Minnesota State	D	Jr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.	1 asst., 2 shots
Nicole Johannson	Minnesota State	G	Sr.	North Delta, B.C.	0.42 GAA, .902 save%, 8 shutouts

Most Valuable Player: Dani McCawley, Nebraska-Omaha

Freshman of the Year: Katie Shandri, Augustana

Coach of the Year: Chris Miscek, Minnesota State

Class Breakdown (1st team): Senior (5), Junior (3), Sophomore (1), Freshman (2).

Team Breakdown (1st team): Nebraska-Omaha (4), Minnesota State (3), Minnesota Duluth (2), Augustana (1), South Dakota (1)