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NCC Men's Basketball

Ten Players Named to All-North Central Conference Team

Sioux Falls, S.D. -- Ten players have been named to the 2005-2006 All-North Central Conference men's basketball team announced today by the conference office. St. Cloud State placed three players on the select squad. Minnesota State head coach Matt Margenthaler earned Coach of the Year honors for the first time in his career.

Turner Trofholz of South Dakota won Most Valuable Player for the second consecutive year and Chris Whitfield of Minnesota State was named Defensive Player of the Year. Jesse Becker of South Dakota was named the Freshman of the Year while Paris Kyles nabbed Newcomer of the Year laurels.

Four players are repeat selections to the team led by Minnesota State's Luke Anderson, a three-time selection. The three players making their second appearance on the team are Calvin Kapels of Nebraska-Omaha, Nick Olson of Augustana and Turner Trofholz of South Dakota.

Turner Trofholz repeated as Most Valuable Player after a season where he was the leading rebounder (9.6 rpg) and second-leading scorer (20.8) in league play. Becker, selected as a Freshman of the Year, had the highest scoring tally (12.8 ppg), free throw percentage (86.5%) and three-point field goals made (2.25) among freshman. Those marks also ranked 12th, fifth and sixth among all players, respectively. Whitfield, the pick for Defensive Player of the Year, led the league in blocks with 33 swats (2.75 bpg) while finishing sixth in rebounding (7.0 rpg). Kyles, the league's newcomer of the year after transferring from Minneapolis Community College, finished second in steals (1.83 spg), third in three-point field goal percentage (46.4%), tied for seventh in assists (3.08 apg) and assist/turnover ratio (1.54), 12th in field goal percentage (46.8%), 15th in scoring (11.3 ppg). All statistics are for conference games only.

Margenthaler led the Mavericks to the NCC regular-season championship with a 9-3 record. The Mavericks also captured the Wells Fargo Finals championship and are the fourth seed in the North Central Region of the NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Championship beginning Saturday in Winona, Minn.

2005-2006 All-North Central Conference Men's Basketball Team

Name	School	Pos	Ht	Yr	NCC PPG	NCC RPG	Hometown
Luke Anderson [^]	Minnesota State	G/F	6-5	Jr.	19.9	5.7	Bloomington, Minn.
David Dreas	St. Cloud State	G	6-0	So.	20.8	2.5	Winona, Minn.
John Emerson	Minnesota Duluth	F	6-5	Sr.	13.5	2.9	New Richmond, Wis.
Calvin Kapels*	Nebraska-Omaha	G	6-4	Sr.	16.0	7.6	Columbus, Neb.
Evan Lindahl\$	North Dakota	F	6-10	Sr.	14.5	4.3	Cando, N.D.
Nick Olson*	Augustana	F	6-6	Jr.	11.8	4.7	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Matt Siegle	St. Cloud State	C	6-8	Sr.	16.4	9.3	Long Prairie, Minn.
Adam Sullivan	St. Cloud State	G	6-5	Jr.	15.4	5.7	Green Bay, Wis.
Turner Trofholz*	South Dakota	F	6-8	Sr.	20.5	9.6	Schuyler, Neb.
Chris Whitfield	Minnesota State	C	6-8	Sr.	5.2	7.0	Apple Valley, Minn.

*Two-time Selection (2005, 2006), \$-Two-time selection (2004, 2006), ^-Three-time selection

Coach of the Year: Matt Margenthaler, Minnesota State

Most Valuable Player: Turner Trofholz, South Dakota (repeat from 2005)

Defensive Player of the Year: Chris Whitfield, Minnesota State

Freshman of the Year: Jesse Becker, South Dakota

Newcomer of the Year: Paris Kyles, Minnesota State

By Schools: Augustana (1), Minnesota Duluth (1), Minnesota State (2), Nebraska-Omaha (1), North Dakota (1), St. Cloud State (3), South Dakota (1).

By Class: Sophomore (1), Junior (2), Senior (7)

Honorable Mention: *Augustana:* Joey Ryan; *Minnesota Duluth:* John Vaudreuil; *Minnesota State:* Paris Kyles; *Nebraska-Omaha:* Chris DeSpain; *South Dakota:* Eric Hall.

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