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LeCuyer Named MVP, Roebuck Named Coach of the Year

All-NCC Women's Basketball Team Features Seven Repeat Selections

Sioux Falls, S.D. -- League champion North Dakota placed four members on the 16-member 2000-2001 All-North Central Conference women's basketball team voted on by NCC coaches and announced today. The Sioux also had a good showing in the individual awards with coach Gene Roebuck being named Coach of the Year, Theresa LeCuyer picking up Most Valuable Player honors and Tonia Jones being selected Defensive Player of the Year. South Dakota State's Brenda Davis and St. Cloud State's Andrea Shogren shared the Freshman of the Year award.

All 10 NCC institutions placed players on the squad led by the four selections from North Dakota.

LeCuyer capped an impressive career by finishing second in league statistics in scoring (17.2 ppg) and tied for fourth in steals (2.22 pg). She also ranks tied for third in offensive rebounds (2.94 pg), tenth in free throw percentage (76.7%) and 14th in rebounding (6.5 rpg).

Jones led the NCC in steals (2.94 spg) and assist/turnover ratio (2.03) and finished seventh in assists (3.72 apg).

Davis played in all 18 NCC games for South Dakota State, averaging 9.1 points and 4.2 rebounds per game.

Shogren started 12 of the 18 games in which she played for St. Cloud State. She averaged 8.0 points and 2.4 rebounds per game.

Roebuck was selected Coach of the Year after guiding the Sioux to the NCC championship with a 15-3 record in the league and a 23-3 mark overall as of Feb. 28. He has compiled a 356-60 (.856) record in 14 seasons at North Dakota and has a 443-74 (.857) record in 17 years as a collegiate coach. It is the sixth time that Roebuck has been named NCC Coach of the Year.

Three repeat selections are making their third appearance on the All-NCC squad: Sherri Brende from South Dakota State, Brittani Janssen from Augustana and Christine Williamson of St. Cloud State (after a one-year absence due to injury). The trio is joined by two-time selections Theresa LeCuyer of North Dakota, Kelly Gese of South Dakota, Jaime Berry of North Dakota State and Trish Martin of Morningside (the last three after a one-year hiatus).

2000-2001 All-North Central Conference Women's Basketball Team

Name	School	Pos	Ht	Yr	NCC PPG	NCC RPG	Hometown
Mandy Arndtson	North Dakota	F	5-11	Sr.	12.6	6.6	Austin, Minn.
Jaime Berry*	North Dakota State	C	6-1	Sr.	16.6	7.3	Watertown, S.D.
Jenny Boll	North Dakota	F/C	6-1	So.	12.8	7.5	Crookston, Minn.
Missy Borell	Northern Colorado	C	6-1	So.	16.5	9.7	Mahtomedi, Minn.
Sherri Brende**	South Dakota State	G	5-7	Sr.	11.4	2.8	Baltic, S.D.
Kelly Gese*	South Dakota	G	5-8	Jr.	12.8	3.6	Shoreview, S.D.
Amanda Gehrke	North Dakota State	F	5-10	Jr.	15.6	6.2	Cass Lake, Minn.
Brittani Janssen**	Augustana	C	6-1	Sr.	13.9	5.8	DeSmet, S.D.
Tonia Jones	North Dakota	G	5-8	Sr.	6.3	4.1	Thompson, N.D.
Theresa LeCuyer*	North Dakota	F/C	6-1	Sr.	17.2	6.5	Anoka, Minn.
Trish Martin*	Morningside	F	5-10	Sr.	12.5	12.1	South Sioux City, Neb.
Jennifer Mitchell	Nebraska-Omaha	G	5-8	Jr.	13.8	4.6	Mankato, Minn.
Kris Neuberger	Minnesota State, Mankato	F	6-0	Sr.	4.9	5.1	Garner, Iowa
Tamera Oltmanns	Augustana	G	5-10	Jr.	16.7	4.9	Lennox, S.D.
Tina Schreiner	St. Cloud State	G	5-8	Jr.	18.8	9.8	Cold Spring, Minn.
Christine Williamson**	St. Cloud State	P	6-0	Sr.	15.1	7.4	Apple Valley, Minn.

*Two-time selection **Three-time selection

Coach of the Year: Gene Roebuck, North Dakota

Most Valuable Player: Theresa LeCuyer, North Dakota

Defensive Player of the Year: Tonia Jones, North Dakota

Freshmen of the Year: Brenda Davis, South Dakota State and Andrea Shogren, St. Cloud State

By Schools: Augustana (2), Morningside (1), Minnesota State, Mankato (1), Nebraska-Omaha (1), North Dakota (4), North Dakota State (2), Northern Colorado (1), St. Cloud State (2), South Dakota (1), South Dakota State (1).

By Class: Sophomores (2), Juniors (5), Seniors (9)

Honorable Mention: *Augustana:* Nicole Tendler; *Minnesota State, Mankato:* Jenny Groom; *Morningside:* Danika Okerstrom, Erica Thein; *Nebraska-Omaha:* Tanya Hammes; *North Dakota State:* Jayne Boeddeker; *St. Cloud State:* Nicole Persby; *South Dakota:* Julia Frie, Kelly Koepp; *South Dakota State:* Angie Loken, Melissa Pater.