

WCHA ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

Bruce M. McLeod
Commissioner
Carol LaBelle-Ehrhardt
Assistant Commissioner of Operations
Greg Shepherd
Supervisor of Officials
Mailing Address
Western Collegiate Hockey Association
2211 S. Josephine Street, Room 302,
Denver, CO 80210
p: 303 871-4223. f: 303 871-4770.
e: clabelle@wcha.com

WCHA WOMEN'S OFFICE; WCHA PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE

Sara R. Martin
Associate Commissioner
p: 608 829-0104. f: 608 829-0105.
e: smartin@wcha.com
Doug Spencer
Associate Commissioner
for Public Relations
p: 608 829-0100. f: 608 829-0200.
e: dspencer@mailbag.com
Bill Brophy
Women's Public Relations Director
p: 608-277-0282.
e: bbrophy@wcha.com
Mailing Address
Western Collegiate Hockey Association
559 D'Onofrio Drive, Suite 103
Madison, WI 53719-2096

WCHA WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Bemidji State University
University of Minnesota
University of Minnesota Duluth
Minnesota State University
University of North Dakota
Ohio State University
St. Cloud State University
University of Wisconsin

HOME OF A RECORD NINE CONSECUTIVE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS

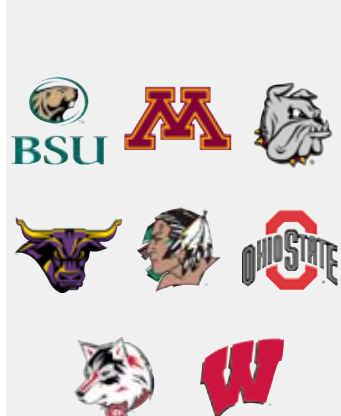
2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008

2009 WCHA FINAL FACE-OFF

March 7-8 • Ridder Arena
Minneapolis, MN

visit us on the web at:

WCHA.CSTV.COM



November 19, 2008/For Immediate Release

UW'S KNIGHT, SCSU'S HIRSCH, UMD'S WINBERG NAMED WCHA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

MADISON, Wis. – The Western Collegiate Hockey Association today announced it's players of the week for November 19-25. They are University of Wisconsin forward **Hilary Knight** on offense, St. Cloud State University defenseman **Danielle Hirsch** on defense, and University of Minnesota Duluth forward **Pernilla Winberg** as rookie of the week.

WCHA OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

HILARY KNIGHT • SO., F, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Hilary Knight, a sophomore right wing from Hanover, N.H., had six scoring points against WCHA-rival North Dakota in unbeaten Wisconsin's two road victories on Nov. 15 and Nov. 16.

In the Badgers' 5-1 win in Grand Forks last Saturday afternoon, Knight had three assists and in the second game of the series last Sunday, Knight recorded her third collegiate three-goal hat trick, and second of the 2008-09 season. Two of Knight's goals were on the power-play, as the unbeaten and top-ranked Badgers shutout the Sioux 4-0 to complete the sweep. Her natural hat trick kept her on the top of the point and goal-scoring columns in the WCHA. Through 12 games, she has 16 goals, nine assists and 25 points.

Also nominated for the award this week were: Terra Rasmussen, F, Minnesota; Haley Irwin, F, Minnesota Duluth; Christina Lee, F, Minnesota State; Hayley Klassen, F, Ohio State; Holly Roberts, F, St. Cloud State; Megan McCarthy, F, St. Cloud State.

WCHA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

DANIELLE HIRSCH • JR., D, ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY

St. Cloud State junior defenseman Danielle Hirsch led all Husky scorers with one goal and three helpers for four points in a two-game WCHA road sweep against Minnesota State on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 14-15.

Last Saturday alone, the junior blueliner posted a goal and two assists, as St. Cloud State held off a furious rally to sweep the Mavericks with a 4-3 win at the Alltel Civic Center. This was the third three-point performance of Hirsch's collegiate career. She also had an assist in the Huskies' 3-2 overtime victory over the host Mavericks last Friday, and fired six shots on goal in the series.

On the 2008-09 season, Hirsch is the top scoring defenseman in the WCHA overall with two goals, 10 assists and 12 points in 14 games played.

Also nominated for the award this week were: Michelle Maunu, D, Minnesota; Jaime Rasmussen, D, Minnesota Duluth; Emilia Andersson, D, Minnesota State; Susanne Fellner, D, North Dakota; Shannon Reilly, D, Ohio State; and Jessie Vetter, G, Wisconsin.

WCHA ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

PERNILLA WINBERG • FR., F, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA DULUTH

Pernilla Winberg, a freshman forward at the University of Minnesota Duluth from Malmo, Sweden, dished out four assists this past weekend, including three in last Saturday's contest, to help the visiting Bulldogs sweep WCHA rival Ohio State at Columbus.

Winberg had an assist on UMD's second goal in last Friday's (Nov. 14) 3-0 win over the Buckeyes, and then helped set up three goals for the Bulldogs in their 8-3 triumph last Saturday (Nov. 15). In addition, she also fired eight shots on goal in the series and earned a +3 plus/minus rating.

Winberg, who is currently No. 4 in assists in NCAA Div. 1 Women's Hockey with 12 in 12 outings, leads the Bulldogs in scoring with 14 points (2g, 12a). She is also fifth in scoring among WCHA rookies so far this season.

Also nominated for the award this week were: Monique Lamoureux, F, Minnesota; Emmi Leinonen, F, Minnesota State; Stephanie Ney, G, North Dakota; Laura McIntosh, F, Ohio State; and Brooke Ammerman, F, Wisconsin.