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Jenny Gensch Named All-North Central Region by Daktronics:

Kansas City, Mo. – St. Cloud State softball senior shortstop Jenny Gensch has been named All-North Central Region by Daktronics for the first time in her career. A first team selection, this is the second All-Region Honor as just yesterday she was named first team All-North Central Region by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association.

On the first team Gensch joins teammate's Lizzy Dwyer, and Rachel Haines while a fourth Husky, Kaity Strever, was a second team selection. The 27 member squad is made up of players from the NCC, NSIC and MIAA and was selected from a region wide vote of member school's sports information directors. The first team honorees will now advance to the nation wide All-America ballot.

In addition to now being a two-time All-Region performer, earlier this month the Apple Valley native took home her second straight All-NCC plaudit. After charting SCSU season record totals with 62 RBI, 50 runs, and 17 home runs (tie), she has cemented her place in the SCSU history books. She headed in to the final weekend of the season batting .395, but after a 5-8 performance in three games in the NCC Tournament ended her final season batting .406.

The first record fell with her 55th RBI on Apr. 15, three days later on Apr. 18, her 17th home run tied her atop the season charts and in the final game of the season on May 4, her 50th run gave her yet another SCSU season best. Her .806 slugging percentage is the second best in school history, just off the record of .807.

On the SCSU career charts she ranks 2nd in walks (83), 2nd in assists (502), 2nd in double plays turned (17), 3rd in stolen bases (56), 3rd in runs scored (139), 3rd in home runs (27), 3rd in games played and started (230), 4th in RBI (130), 7th in hits (207), and 7th in at-bats (658). Among her opponents in the NCC Gensch ranked 1st in home runs/game (0.30), 1st in walks/game (0.64), 1st in assists (141), 1st in fielding double plays (6), 2nd in RBI/game (1.11), 4th in runs/game (0.89), 9th in hits/game (1.20), and 9th in stolen bases/game (0.30)

She was named NCC player of the week on Mar. 18 after a two game span where she went 4-8 with four RBI, three runs scored, two home runs and a stolen base to propel the Huskies to a 2-0 mark at the Pitt State Invite. The two games were the capper to an 11 game hitting streak that began on Mar. 2 and saw her hit .526 (20-38) with seven multi-hit games and raise her average from .429 to .468. After the streak, one hitless game led to a three game span where she went 6-8 with six RBI and four runs to raise her average to .472 on Mar. 22.

St. Cloud State University is the largest member of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) system. Founded in 1869, and located in St. Cloud, Minn. along the banks of the scenic Mississippi River, SCSU boasts an enrollment of 16,000 students and is a member of NCAA Division II athletics where they compete in the North Central Conference (NCC).



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2008 Daktronics Division II SIDs All-North Central Region Softball Team

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First team

Pitcher

*Amanda Johnson, Jr., Southwest Minnesota State,
Fremont, Neb.
Samantha Sheeley, Sr., Emporia State, Coralville, Iowa
Meagan Teal, Jr., Minnesota State-Mankato, Savage,
Minn.

Catcher

*Jessika Anastos, So., Fort Hays State, Broomfield,
Colo.

1st Base

*Jennifer Radley, Fr., Wayne (Neb.) State, Des Moines,
Iowa

2nd Base

*Rachel Haines, Jr., St. Cloud State, Pepin, Wis.

Shortstop

*Jenny Gensch, Sr., St. Cloud State, Apple Valley,
Minn.

3rd Base

*Miranda Campbell, So., Emporia State, Bogota, Texas

Outfield

*Casie Hanson, Jr., North Dakota, St. Peter, Minn.
Casey Carper, Jr., Northwest Missouri State, Sulphur
Springs, Texas
Lynndi Decker, Sr, Minnesota State-Mankato, West
Des Moines, Iowa

Designated Player

*Abby Brundidge, So., Concordia-St. Paul, Nekoosa,
Wis.

Utility

*Lizzy Dwyer, So., St. Cloud State, Kalispell, Mont.

Second team

Pitcher

Megan Leonard, Jr., Central Missouri, Purdy, Mo.
Kaity Strever, So., St. Cloud State, Laurel, Mont.
Stacey Struzynski, Fr., Winona State, Homewood,
Iowa

Catcher

Erin Dickhausen, Sr., Southwest Minnesota State,
Watertown, Minn.

1st Base

Nicole Puerling, Jr., North Dakota, Camarillo, Calif.

2nd Base (tie)

Shannon Pivovar, So., Missouri Western, Ralston,
Neb.
Treighton Yates, So., Nebraska-Omaha, Bellevue, Neb.

Shortstop

Cortney Channell, Sr., Northwest Missouri State,
Kansas City, Kan.

3rd Base

Leslie Svoboda, Sr., Nebraska-Omaha, Lincoln, Neb.

Outfield

Christen Belcher, Sr., Truman, Lee's Summit, Mo.
Tarese Ely-Myers, So., Central Missouri, Richland,
Mo.
Chelsea Rosenow, Sr., Winona State, Chippewa Falls,
Wis.

Designated Player

Abby Morris, So., Minnesota State-Mankato,
Johnston, Iowa

Utility

Leslie Benavidez, Sr., Mary, Albuquerque, N.M.

*=Leading vote-getter at her position

The first team selections will advance to the Daktronics Division II SIDs All-America Team ballot. The All-Region team is voted on by the Sports Information Directors from the North Central Region of Division II. Out of 29 potential voters, 25 cast ballots.

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