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113 Student-Athletes Honored as WCHA Scholar-Athletes for 2013-14

All 10 Men’s and All Eight Women’s Member Institutions are Represented; Ninth Annual Group Includes 37 Repeat Honorees

MADISON, Wis. – The Western Collegiate Hockey Association, through Minnesota State University, Mankato President Richard Davenport (Chair, Board of Directors), St. Cloud State University Faculty Representative Bill Hudson (Chair, women’s league), men’s Commissioner Bruce McLeod and women’s Commissioner Sara Martin, today announced that 113 conference-member student-athletes make up the ninth annual group of WCHA Scholar-Athlete Award recipients for 2013-14. The 113 figure represents every conference-member institution and is the second highest number of recipients in one season, behind the 116 honored a year ago (2012-13).

“One on behalf of the entire Western Collegiate Hockey Association family, we offer heartfelt congratulations to all of our men’s and women’s WCHA Scholar-Athletes for 2013-14,” said Dr. Davenport, Hudson, McLeod and Martin in a joint statement. “Each year at this time, as our member teams are engaged in the heat of competition for championships and playoff positions, we have a special opportunity to publicly recognize the very best in our student-athletes.

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Michigan Technological University: **Tanner Kero** (Jr., F, Hancock, MI); **Daniel Sova** (D, Sr., Cottage Grove, MN).
University of Minnesota: **Kelly Terry** (F, Sr., Whitby, ON), Minnesota State University, Mankato: **Lauren Barnes** (D/F, Sr., Burnsville, MN); **Mat Knoll** (D, So., Edmonton, AB); **Erin Krichiver** (G, So., Chicago, IL).
University of North Dakota: **Shelby Amsley-Benzie** (G, So., Warroad, MN); **Andrea Dalen** (F, Jr., Hønefoss, Norway); **Shannon Kaiser** (F, So., Crookston, MN); **Tori Williams** (D, Jr., The Pas, MB).
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St. Cloud State University: **Sydney Burghardt** (F, Sr., Medicine Hat, AB); **Julie Friend** (G, Jr., Minnetonka, MN); **Julia Gilbert** (F, Sr., Hermantown, MN); **Amanda Monkman** (D, Sr., Roseau, MN); **Amy Olson** (F, Jr., Roseau, MN).
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In 2005-06, the first season of the WCHA Scholar-Athlete award, there were a combined 47 men’s and women’s honorees. Total honorees by year have been: 2005-06 (47), 2006-07 (49), 2007-08 (79), 2008-09 (71), 2009-10 (80), 2010-11 (90), 2011-12 (110), 2012-13 (116), and 2013-14 (113).

**WCHA Scholar-Athlete Award recipients will be publicly honored by their respective schools and presented with a commemorative plaque.**

**2013-14 WCHA Scholar-Athletes**

*** indicates three-time recipient; ** two time recipient

**University of Alabama in Huntsville**
Chad Brears (F, So., Cold Lake, AB); Brice Geoffrion (F, Sr., Brentwood, TN); Jeff Vanderlugt (F, Jr., Richmond Hill, ON); Anderson White (D, So., Caledon, ON).

**University of Alaska Anchorage**
Matt Bailey*** (F, Sr., Oakbank, MB); Michael Matyas (G, Fr., Calgary, AB); Austin Sevalrud (D, So., Calgary, AB); Blake Tatchell (F, So., North Battleford, SK).

**University of Alaska**
Sean Cahill (G, Jr., Calgary, AB); Trevor Campbell (D, Jr., Kansas City, MO); Matt Friese (F, So., Wasilla, AK); Nolan Huysmans (F, So., Ponoka, AB); Colton Parayko (D, So., St. Albert, AB); John Keeney (G, So., Twin Peaks, CA); Garrick Perry (F, Jr., Apple Valley, MN).
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Bowling Green State University
Ryan Carpenter (F, Jr., Oviedo, FL); Mark Cooper (F, So., Toronto, ON); Marcus Perrier (F, Jr., Thunder Bay, ON); Jake Slat (D, Sr., Louisville, CO); Mike Sullivan (D, Jr., Toronto, ON); Chad Sumson (F, Sr., Woodstock, ON); Ryan Viselli (F, Sr., Windsor, ON); Andrew Wallace (F, Sr., Bedford, NS); Bryce Williamson (F, Sr., Seba Beach, AB); Camden Wojtala (F, Sr., Trenton, MI); Scott Zacharias (G, Sr., Winnipeg, MB).

Ferris State University
Brandon Anselmini (D, So., Guelph, ON); Kenny Babinski (F, So., Midland, MI); Jason Binkley (D, Jr., Powell, OH); Cory Kane (F, Sr., Irvine, CA); Matt Robertson (F, So., Rohnert Park, CA); Travis White (D, Jr., Sterling Heights, MI); Charles Williams (G, So., Canton, MI).

Lake Superior State University
Matt Bruneteau (D, Sr., Omah, NE); Chris Ciotti (F, Jr., Oxford, MI); Kevin Czuczman (D, Jr., Port Elgin, ON); Kevin Kapalka (G, Sr., Mississauga, ON); Austin McKay (F, So., Toronto, ON); Andrew Perrault (D, Sr., Grand Coulee, SK); Dan Radke (F, Sr., Orinda, CA); Zach Sternberg (D, Sr., Toronto, ON).

Michigan Technological University
C.J. Eick (F, So., Appleton, WI); Tanner Kero** (F, Jr., Hancock, MI); Daniel Sova** (D, Sr., Cottage Grove, MN); Brad Stebner*** (D, Sr., Fort Mc Murray, AB).

University of Minnesota
Rachael Bona (F, Jr., Coon Rapids, MN); Hannah Brandt (F, So., Vadnais Heights, MN); Bethany Brausen*** (F, Sr., Little Canada, MN); Rachel Ramsey (D, Jr., Chamhanssen, MN); Kelly Terry** (F, Sr., Whitby, ON).

University of Minnesota Duluth
Alivia Del Basso (F, So., Perth, Australia); Sofia Carlström (G, So., Danderyd, Sweden); Marie Delarbre (F, So., Fussen, Germany); Brienna Gillanders (F, Sr., Kyle, SK); Jordan Krause (D, So., Kelowna, BC).

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Northern Michigan University
Cohen Adair (F, So., Stratford, ON); Jake Johnson (F, Sr., Duluth, MN); Ryan Kesti (F, Jr., Red Wing, MN); Aaron Leach (F, So., Marquette, MI); Nathan Taurence (D, Jr., Trenton, MI); Stephan Vigier (F, Sr., Notre Dame, MB).

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Four-Time WCHA Scholar-Athletes

Anna Donlan, St. Cloud State (2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13)
Emily Erickson, Bemidji State (2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13)
Chay Genoway, North Dakota (2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11)
Austin Lee, Minnesota State (2008-09, 2010-10, 2011-12)
Kenny Reiter, Minnesota Duluth (2008-09, 2010-10, 2011-12)

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Colorado College

University of Denver

* note: Colorado College, Denver, Minnesota, Minnesota Duluth, North Dakota, St. Cloud State end men’s WCHA after 2012-13 season.