

# Bethel's Masten headlines 2013-14 MIAC Women's Hockey Awards

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ST. PAUL, Minn. -- The 2013-14 Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) women's hockey season was an unforgettable one on the ice, with the conference title up in the air until the final day of the regular season and countless unforgettable games and star performances. Wednesday, the conference honored the top performers from an outstanding season with the announcement of the 2013-14 MIAC Women's Hockey Awards.

Three of the five MIAC Playoff teams split the top honors, with Bethel star Cristina Masten receiving the MIAC Player-of-the-Year award. The MIAC Shelia Brown Award was awarded to St. Catherine senior Nicki Mosbeck, and St. Thomas Head Coach Tom Palkowski was voted the MIAC Coach-of-the-Year by his peers for leading the Tommies to the conference's regular-season championship. The conference also announced the All-Conference, All-Rookie and All-Conference Honorable Mention teams, as well as the Women's Hockey All-MIAC Sportsmanship Team.



Masten's MIAC Player-of-the-Year honor caps a stellar career that includes four-straight MIAC All-Conference selections in addition to her All-Rookie Team honor in 2010-11. Throughout her career, she has been one of the league's best scorers and playmakers, and has helped lead Bethel through its best era of women's hockey. This year, the Royals went 17-7-2 overall and 13-5 in MIAC play, which are both new program records for single-season wins.

Masten was the MIAC's top scorer this season, leading the league in overall games with 35 points and 20 goals, and her 15 assists rank fourth in the league. She ranks second in both power-play (six) and short-handed (two) goals, and her four game-winning goals rank second. All four came in MIAC play, to lead the league, and her 22 points and 14 goals both ranked second in conference games only.

Mosbeck received her prestigious honor, which was fittingly named for former St. Catherine Athletic Director Shelia Brown. By definition, the Shelia Brown Award is given to one senior who has made long-term contribution to her team's success and who has consistently competed with good sportsmanship. This season, Mosbeck served as the Wildcats' captain and led the team back to the MIAC Playoffs with an overall record of 11-14-1 and a MIAC record of 8-9-1.

St. Catherine Head Coach Brad Marshall credited Mosbeck for being a team leader, a selfless player, a hard worker, and someone who practices outstanding sportsmanship. Off the ice, Mosbeck has been just as successful. She volunteers at the Special Olympics, is the president of the Wildcat Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and is also involved with the ASL club and New Student Orientation. Mosbeck is majoring in American Sign Language Interpretation, and her athletic and academic pursuits were the subject of a [MIAC Friday Feature](#) and [video](#) in January.

Palkowski received his first MIAC Coach-of-the-Year honor thanks to his job guiding the Tommies to the MIAC's regular-season title with a record of 14-2-2 in conference play. His team is currently 18-5-3 overall, and preparing to host Saturday's MIAC Playoff championship game. St. Thomas' title ended a streak of nine-straight MIAC crowns by Gustavus, and Palkowski's team will face the Gusties in Saturday's postseason title game. He is now in his seventh season, with an overall record of 111-52-18.

Palkowski coached the league's best defensive team in 2013-14, as the Tommies surrendered a MIAC-low 39 goals this season, for a 1.60 goals against average and a collective .933 save percentage. UST ranked third in goals (67) and goals-per-game (2.79). St. Thomas was even better in MIAC play, allowing just 22 goals for a 1.28 goals against average, with a .946 save percentage, and UST scored 51 goals for an even average of 3.00 goals per game en route to the MIAC title. This season, Palkowski coached five All-Conference selections and two Honorable Mention picks.

Masten wasn't the only player to repeat as an All-Conference selection. St. Thomas senior goalie Alise Riedel received her third-straight All-MIAC honor, and she was an All-Rookie and Honorable Mention pick her first year. Bethel's Lindsay Burman, Saint Mary's Macki Fadness, St. Olaf's Margo Fleming and St. Thomas' Christina Rozeske each earned their second-straight All-Conference honor.

The MIAC-champion Tommies and Bethel tied for the most All-Conference selections with five apiece. Gustavus had four players honored, Concordia had three, Saint Mary's and St. Olaf each had two, and Augsburg and Hamline had one apiece. The team was evenly split from an experience standpoint, as eight seniors, eight juniors and seven sophomores were selected.

As part of a conference-wide sportsmanship initiative, the MIAC also announced the seventh annual All-MIAC Sportsmanship team for women's hockey. Members of the All-MIAC Sportsmanship team are selected by their coaches and teammates as individuals who demonstrate ideals of positive sportsmanship both on and off the field of competition.

**Player-of-the-Year** - Cristina Masten, Bethel (Sr., Forward, Fergus Falls, Minn.)  
**Shelia Brown Award** - Nicki Mosbeck, St. Catherine (Sr., Forward, Emo, Ont./Athol Murray)  
**Coach-of-the-Year** - Tom Palkowski, St. Thomas (Seventh season)

#### 2013-14 MIAC Women's Hockey All-Conference Team

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Team</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Hometown/Previous School</u></b>
Erika Allen	Bethel	So.	Goaltender	Roseville, Minn.
Paige Baldwin	St. Thomas	Jr.	Forward	Shorewood, Minn./Minnetonka
Courtney Boucher	Gustavus	Jr.	Defense	Hastings, Minn.
Lindsay Burman	Bethel	Jr.	Forward	Stanchfield, Minn./Cambridge-Isanti
Melissa Doyle	Gustavus	Sr.	Forward	White Bear Lake, Minn./Hill-Murray
Carolyn Draayer	Gustavus	Jr.	Forward	Deephaven, Minn./Minnetonka
Allison Eder-Zdechlik	Gustavus	So.	Forward	Stillwater, Minn.
Macki Fadness	Saint Mary's	So.	Defense	Eau Claire, Wis.
Margot Fleming	St. Olaf	Sr.	Forward	Wayzata, Minn./Benilde-St. Margaret's
Mary Grace Flesher	St. Thomas	Sr.	Defense	Rochester, Minn./Mayo
Libby Fransdal	Concordia	Jr.	Defense	Hopkins, Minn.
Kayla Fuechtmann	Augsburg	So.	Forward	Circle Pines, Minn./Centennial
Madison Gendreau	Concordia	Jr.	Forward	Bismarck, N.D.
Erin Harper	Bethel	So.	Defense	Blaine, Minn.
Corinne Henning	Hamline	Sr.	Forward	St. Paul, Minn.
Kalie Johnson	Bethel	Jr.	Forward	Richfield, Minn.
Megan Juricko	St. Thomas	So.	Defense	Eagan, Minn.
Cristina Masten	Bethel	Sr.	Forward	Fergus Falls, Minn.
Katie Moeller	St. Olaf	Sr.	Forward	Lansing, Mich./Grand Ledge
Breanna Peterson	Saint Mary's	Jr.	Forward	Macomb, Mich./Honeybaked
Alise Riedel	St. Thomas	Sr.	Goaltender	Hudson, Wis.
Christina Rozeske	St. Thomas	Sr.	Forward	Owatonna, Minn.
Anna Westmark	Concordia	So.	Forward	Appleton, Wis./North

#### 2013-14 MIAC Women's Hockey All-Rookie Team

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Team</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Hometown/Previous School</u></b>
Bri Flynn	Concordia	Fy.	Forward	Bismarck, N.D./Century
Danielle Heitkamp	Augsburg	Fy.	Defense	Bismarck, N.D./Grand Rapids (Minn.)
Andrea Klug	Concordia	Fy.	Goaltender	West Fargo, N.D./West
Kathryn Larson	Bethel	Fy.	Forward	Shoreview, Minn./Mounds View
Callen Naasz	Augsburg	Fy.	Forward	Lakeville, Minn./South
Jaci Reinke	Hamline	Fy.	Defense	Waconia, Minn.

#### 2013-14 MIAC Women's Hockey All-Conference Honorable Mention

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Team</u></b>	<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Hometown/Previous School</u></b>
Christine Brodersen	Saint Benedict	Sr.	Defense	Shakopee, Minn./Breck
Haley Coolsaet	Saint Mary's	Sr.	Defense	Grosse Ile, Mich.
Madison Denny	Concordia	So.	Goaltender	Andover, Minn.
Randi Fabsits	St. Catherine	So.	Defense	Tinley Park, Ill./Victor J. Andrew
Bri Flynn	Concordia	Fy.	Forward	West Fargo, N.D./West
Tara Frey	Saint Benedict	Jr.	Forward	River Falls, Wis.
Danielle Heitkamp	Augsburg	Fy.	Defense	Bismarck, N.D./Grand Rapids (Minn.)
Megan Killmer	St. Catherine	Jr.	Forward	Savage, Minn./Burnsville
Andrea Klug	Concordia	Fy.	Goaltender	West Fargo, N.D.
Jenny Magill	Hamline	So.	Defense	Lake Elmo, Minn.
Callen Naasz	Augsburg	Fy.	Forward	Lakeville, Minn./South
Brenna Nakonechny	Augsburg	So.	Defense	Grand Forks, N.D./Red River

Shea Noerenberg	St. Olaf	Jr.	Defense	Plymouth, Minn./Orono
Bailey Rasmussen	St. Catherine	Jr.	Forward	Grand Rapids, Minn.
Mallory Ryan	St. Catherine	So.	Defense	Cottage Grove, Minn./Park
Jenny Saxon	St. Thomas	Sr.	Forward	Plymouth, Minn./Wayzata
Brianna Schulz	Augsburg	Jr.	Goaltender	Prior Lake, Minn.
Jenna Traut	Saint Benedict	Jr.	Goaltender	St. Cloud, Minn./Apollo
Courtney Umland	St. Thomas	So.	Forward	Maple Grove, Minn.
Jordan Verleye	Hamline	Jr.	Forward	Livonia, Mich.

**2013-14 Women's Hockey All-MIAC Sportsmanship Team**

- Augsburg - Casey Miller (Jr., Bemidji, Minn.)
- Bethel - Caroline Kivisto (So., Dassel, Minn./Dassel-Cokato)
- Concordia - Madison Gendreau (Jr., Bismarck, N.D. )
- Gustavus - Carolyn Draayer (Jr., Deephaven, Minn.)
- Hamline - Corinne Henning (Sr., St. Paul, Minn.)
- Saint Benedict - Megan Brettingen (Jr, Mora, Minn./Warroad)
- St. Catherine - Annie Buttermore (So., Mahtomedi, Minn.)
- Saint Mary's - Haley Coolsaet (Sr., Grosse Ile, Mich.)
- St. Olaf - Tara Reyelts (Sr., Grand Rapids, Mich./Forest Hills Eastern)
- St. Thomas - Maria Bothwell (Sr., North St. Paul, Minn.)