

Brian Krause, St. Thomas

Week of: 2003-05-05

University of St. Thomas pitcher Brian Krause (Soph., RHP, Appleton, Wis./North HS) earned a save and had three solid outings to help the Tommies go 4-1 and claim the outright MIAC championship. In Saturday's key game-two win over Concordia, the Tommie closer got the final 11 outs (3 2/3 innings) and allowed one hit and one walk on a combined two-hit shutout in a 7-0 win. He also pitched in both games vs. Hamline. He came on in the fifth inning with two runners on base and UST leading 2-0 and got an inning-ending pop-up. On the week he pitched 6 2/3 innings and allowed no runs, three hits and one walk with three strikeouts. The 14th-ranked Tommies, 27-8-1, are the top seed for this week's MIAC playoffs in Dundas and Northfield.

Sean Lindstrom, St. Thomas

Week of: 2003-04-28

University of St. Thomas junior Sean Lindstrom (RHP, Cedar, Minn./St. Francis HS) had two complete-game victories, winning two tight games, and allowed no earned runs and just four hits in 16 innings, to help the Tommies move into sole possession of the MIAC lead. He allowed just a bunt single in Tuesday's nine-inning, 1-0 win over St. Mary's (9 IP, 0R, 1H, 3W, 6K). He allowed three hits and one unearned run in Sunday's 3-1 win over Gustavus -- a game tied until the bottom of the sixth inning (7IP, 1R, 0ER, 3H, 2W, 2K). He retired 16 of the last 17 batters. Lindstrom leads the conference in ERA -- in three starts he's 3-0 with no earned runs in 22.2 innings. The Tommies, 23-7-1 overall and 14-2 in the conference, have clinched a playoff berth for the fourth year in a row.

Tony LePage, Carleton

Week of: 2003-04-21

Carleton College senior pitcher Tony LePage (Duluth, Minn./Denfeld HS) tossed a six-hit shutout, going the distance in a nine-inning, 1-0 win over Gustavus on Saturday. The senior fanned 13 in notching his third complete game in MIAC play in four starts this year (his only non-complete game was a 10-inning, two day affair with St. Thomas). He came back in the second game, pitching one inning in allowing two runs, one earned, in absorbing the loss in relief. LePage is 2-2 with an 0.82 ERA in league play, as opposing batters are hitting only .223 against him.

Matt Johnson, Saint John's

Week of: 2003-04-14

Saint John's University junior pitcher Matt Johnson (Plymouth, Minn.) pitched two complete games wins last week, including a 2-0 one-hit shut out against Saint Mary's on April 8. Johnson faced the minimum 21 batters against the Cardinals, striking out seven. Johnson pitched a complete game and only allowed an unearned run in a 6-1 win over Gustavus on April 12. For the week, Johnson pitched 14 innings, allowing no earned runs on seven hits, while striking out 11 and walking none. The Johnnies went 3-2 during the week and are now 12-8 overall and 4-4 in the MIAC. Johnson is now 4-1 on the season with a 3.00 ERA and 3-0 with a 1.71 ERA in MIAC play.

Jeremy Hinderks, Concordia

Week of: 2003-04-07

Concordia-Moorhead College junior pitcher Jeremy Hinderks (Renville, Minn./Renville County West HS) pitched a complete-game shutout against St. John's on Sunday in his only appearance of the week. Hinderks held the Johnnies, who were ranked fifth in the Midwest Region entering the game, to four hits while striking out seven. He walked two batters and faced only 27 St. John's hitters. After working out of a bases-loaded jam in the second inning, Hinderks only allowed two hits in the remaining five innings and didn't allow a single runner past second base. It was Hinderks' second straight shutout and moves his scoreless inning streak to 15. He is currently 4-1 on the year with a 2.25 earned-run average.

Ryan Hebrink, Concordia

Week of: 2003-05-05

Concordia College junior Ryan Hebrink (1B, Sacred Heart, Minn./Renville-County West HS) went 8-for-17 (.471), collected 7 RBI's and was one of the driving forces behind Concordia's playoff clinching victories last week. Concordia went 3-1 on the week in the MIAC, sweeping St. Mary's and splitting with MIAC champion St. Thomas. The Cobbers won three straight games and had a chance to share the MIAC title before losing to the Tommies in the final game of the regular season. To go along with his seven RBI's, Hebrink also hit two home runs and had three runs scored. Hebrink leads the MIAC in RBI's and tied the school record for home runs and RBI's in a single season with his output last week. Besides the four conference games, the Cobbers also played NCAA Division II North Dakota State in a non-conference game last week, Despite losing to the Bison, Hebrink had two hits in the game - half of Concordia's total offensive output.

Justin Holmgren, Saint John's

Week of: 2003-04-28

Saint John's University senior first baseman Justin Holmgren (Bemidji, Minn.) hit .455 this past week in six MIAC games, which helped the Johnnies to a 4-2 record. Holmgren had 10 hits in 22 at-bats, with six runs, six RBI, two doubles, two triples and a 1.000 fielding percentage in 49 chances. Holmgren had six hits in a doubleheader sweep of Augsburg on April 21, three hits in a split with Carleton on April 22 and one hit in a split with nationally ranked St. Thomas on April 26. On the season, Holmgren is hitting .420 with 37 hits and 21 RBI in 27 games. SJU is currently 19-10 overall and 10-6 in the MIAC.

Ben Kvidt, Concordia

Week of: 2003-04-21

Concordia-Moorhead College senior catcher Ben Kvidt (Detroit Lakes, Minn.) had 11 RBI's and 11 runs scored in helping the Cobbers post a perfect 5-0 record last week. The Cobbers beat UM-Morris and the swept road doubleheaders from Macalester and Hamline. The hard working catcher was 6-for-17 (.353) and had two home runs and a double in the five games. His on-base percentage for the week was .421 and he had a slugging percentage of .705. He reached base safely in all five games and had three multiple-RBI games, three multiple-runs scored games and two multiple-hit games.

Nate Dammann, Hamline

Week of: 2003-04-14

Hamline University junior catcher Nate Dammann (Maynard, Minn. / MACCRAY HS) knocked in 13 runs as the Pipers went 4-1 on the week, 3-1 in the MIAC. In the Pipers' doubleheader sweep over Bethel, Dammann knocked nine runs. In a 6-3 first game win, Dammann went 2-for-3 with five RBIs including at 3-run homer in the third and two-run double in the fifth. He added four more RBIs, going 3-for-4 from the plate, in the Pipers' 20-9 win in the nightcap. Against Saint Mary's, Dammann went 2-for-6, knocking in four runs, three in Hamline's 14-9 win. For the week, Dammann was 8-for 17 (.471) from the plate, 7-for-13 (.538) in conference games. He also walked three times and was hit by a pitch. Stats for the week: 4-1 Record, 8-17 (.471), 7-13 in conference (.538), 13 RBIs, 4 Rs, .571 OB%

Pat Marsh, Augsburg

Week of: 2003-04-07

Augsburg College senior shortstop Pat Marsh (Crystal, Minn./Robbinsdale Armstrong HS) went 5-for-5 with five runs scored and two RBI, and reached base all eight times he came to the plate in the Auggies' doubleheader split with Carleton on Wednesday, Augsburg's only action of the week. He went 4-for-4 at the plate with four runs scored, an RBI, double and triple in Augsburg's 8-5, first-game win. In the second game, he was 1-for-1 at the plate, but was walked three times -- twice intentionally -- in Augsburg's 2-1 loss. On the season, Marsh leads the Auggies with a .486 batting average (22-of-47) with 14 runs scored, four doubles and 11 RBI. His slugging percentage is .660 and on-base percentage is .545.