

# Augsburg's Kornbaum headlines 2013-14 MIAC Men's Basketball Awards

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ST. PAUL, Minn. -- The 2013-14 Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) men's basketball season just finished and, Thursday, the league's top performers from another outstanding season on the court were honored with the announcement of the 2013-14 MIAC Men's Basketball Awards.

The top three individual awards were spread out among three of the league's top teams. Augsburg senior Dan Kornbaum was named the MIAC Joe Hutton Player-of-the-Year for his outstanding play in the post for the Auggies. St. Olaf's Dan Kosmoski was voted the MIAC Coach-of-the-Year by his peers in recognition of the Oles' milestone season, and Saint John's sophomore Alex Schmitt was named the league's top reserve with his selection as MIAC Sixth Man-of-the-Year.



In addition to the top individual honors, the MIAC also announced the MIAC All-Conference, All-Defensive, All-Freshman and All-Conference Honorable Mention teams, and it recognized the Men's Basketball All-MIAC Sportsmanship Team.

Kornbaum was a dominant force in the paint for the Auggies for the second season in a row after transferring from UM-Duluth, resulting in his Joe Hutton Player-of-the-Year honor and a second-straight All-MIAC selection. Kornbaum helped the Auggies to a third-place finish in the MIAC this season at 14-6 (18-8 overall) and two-straight trips to the MIAC Playoffs.

This season, Kornbaum averaged 19.3 points and 7.9 rebounds per game with 43 blocked shots, and he shot a remarkable 66.7 percent from the floor, 61.9 percent on 3-point attempts and 75.3 percent from the line. In conference play, Kornbaum led the league in scoring (19.1 ppg), points (382), blocked shots (36), field goals (159), field-goal percentage (69.7) and offensive rebounds (53), and he ranked second in rebounds per game (7.9), total rebounds (158).

Kosmoski's milestone 20th season leading the Oles has been one to remember, as his team won its first-ever MIAC Playoff title and received a bid to the NCAA Division III Tournament, where it will take on Central (Iowa) Friday in Stevens Point, Wis., to open the tournament. St. Olaf has set new school records for regular-season (22) and MIAC (17) wins with a 22-5 overall record, and a 17-3 conference mark. The Oles finished in second, just a game behind regular-season champ St. Thomas, and they'll enter the NCAA Tournament on a five-game winning streak. St. Olaf has won 15 of its last 16 games.

St. Olaf has been stingy on defense this season, allowing just 57.5 ppg and holding opponents to just 42.9 percent shooting from the floor, both of which rank No. 1 in the MIAC, and it allowed a league-leading 56.0 ppg in conference play. The Oles ranked third in scoring (72.4 ppg), second in assists (14.6 per game) and were the only team in the league to average single-digit turnovers (9.6 per game). Kosmoski coached a pair of All-MIAC selections, an All-Defensive Team pick and an All-Conference Honorable Mention honoree.

Schmitt received his Sixth Man-of-the-Year award for his contributions to Saint John's 13-7 MIAC record (15-11 overall) and fourth-place finish in the standings and earn a MIAC Playoff bid. The Johnnies won 10 of their final 12 regular season games, and were the only team to beat MIAC champ St. Thomas in the regular season as they swept their two meetings with the Tommies.

Schmitt - a sophomore guard - averaged 11.1 points per game for Saint John's while shooting a remarkable 93.6 percent from the free-throw line (44-for-47) in addition to 50.5 percent from the floor. In conference play, Schmitt averaged 9.9 points in 16.1 minutes per game, and his average of 24.8 points per 40 minutes in MIAC games ranked No. 1 in the league this season.

Kornbaum was one of two All-Conference selections to receive the honor for the second year in a row, along with Saint John's senior wing Seth Marx. Four players earned both All-Conference and All-Defensive Team honors - Carleton's Taylor Hanson, St. Olaf's Sterling Nielsen, St. Thomas' Erik Tengwall and Augsburg's Noah Veach. Tengwall and Veach were repeat All-Defensive Team selections. And standout Bethel rookie Brycen Wojta earned both All-Conference and All-Rookie Team honors.

St. Thomas captured its ninth-straight MIAC regular-season championship this season, and was rewarded with three All-Conference selections, which tied Augsburg for the league's lead. St. Olaf and Gustavus had two All-MIAC players apiece, and Bethel, Carleton, Concordia, Hamline and Saint John's each had one player honored. The All-MIAC team was heavy on experience, as the 15-member squad was comprised of nine seniors, three juniors, two sophomores and one freshman.

As part of a conference-wide sportsmanship initiative, the MIAC also announced the eighth annual All-MIAC Sportsmanship team for men's basketball. 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.

**Joe Hutton Player-of-the-Year** - Dan Kornbaum, Augsburg (Sr., Post, Little Falls, Minn.)  
**Sixth Man-of-the-Year** - Alex Schmitt, Saint John's (So., Guard, Chaska, Minn./Waconia)  
**Coach-of-the-Year** - Dan Kosmoski, St. Olaf (20th season)

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#### 2013-14 MIAC Men's Basketball 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>
Jordan Bolger	Concordia	So.	Forward	Apple Valley, Minn./Eastview
Jordan Dick	Gustavus	Sr.	Wing	Wabasha, Minn./Wabasha-Kellogg
Dior Ford	Hamline	Jr.	Forward	Tucson, Ariz./Sahuaro
Connor Gunderson	St. Olaf	Sr.	Guard	Austin, Minn.
Taylor Hanson	Carleton	Sr.	Forward	St. Paul, Minn./Minnehaha Academy
Dan Kornbaum	Augsburg	Sr.	Post	Little Falls, Minn.
Seth Marx	Saint John's	Sr.	Wing	Maple Grove, Minn./Benilde-St. Margaret's
Sterling Nielsen	St. Olaf	Jr.	Guard	Sioux Falls, S.D./O'Gorman
Conner Nord	St. Thomas	Jr.	Forward	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Zach Riedeman	St. Thomas	Sr.	Forward	Forest Lake, Minn.
Andy Seidlitz	Augsburg	Sr.	Guard	New Hope, Minn./Robbinsdale Armstrong
Erik Tengwall	St. Thomas	Sr.	Guard	Spicer, Minn./New London-Spicer
Noah Veach	Augsburg	Sr.	Forward	Grand Haven, Mich.
Brycen Wojta	Bethel	Fr.	Guard	Maple Grove, Minn.
Brody Ziegler	Gustavus	So.	Post	Mankato, Minn./East

#### 2013-14 MIAC Men's Basketball All-Defensive 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>
Martin Feddersen	Gustavus	Jr.	Wing	Winona, Minn.
Taylor Hanson	Carleton	Sr.	Forward	St. Paul, Minn./Minnehaha Academy
Sterling Nielsen	St. Olaf	Jr.	Guard	Sioux Falls, S.D./O'Gorman
Erik Tengwall	St. Thomas	Sr.	Guard	Spicer, Minn./New London-Spicer
Noah Veach	Augsburg	Sr.	Forward	Grand Haven, Mich.

#### 2013-14 MIAC Men's Basketball All-Freshman 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>
Tianen Chen	Carleton	Fr.	Forward	Germantown Hills, Ill./Metamora Township
Kareem Ismail	Macalester	Fr.	Center	Pasadena, Calif./Flintridge Prep
Peter Kruize	Gustavus	Fr.	Post	St. Peter, Minn.
Grant Shaeffer	St. Thomas	Fr.	Guard	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Brycen Wojta	Bethel	Fr.	Guard	Maple Grove, Minn.

#### 2013-14 MIAC Men's Basketball 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>
Marcus Alipate	St. Thomas	Jr.	Guard	Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson
Luke Buthenhoff	Bethel	Sr.	Forward	Watertown, Minn./Mayer Lutheran
Martin Feddersen	Gustavus	Jr.	Wing	Winona, Minn.
Parker Hines	Augsburg	Jr.	Guard	Lakeville, Minn./Minnehaha Academy
Brian Jacobs	Gustavus	Jr.	Post	Lake Crystal, Minn./LCWM
Dylan Kilgour	Macalester	So.	Guard	La Crescenta, Calif./Crescenta Valley
Blake Maslonkowski	Saint John's	Jr.	Post	St. Joseph, Minn./St. Cloud Apollo
Kevin McKenzie	Saint John's	Sr.	Guard	De Pere, Wis./Notre Dame Academy
Justin Pahl	St. Olaf	So.	Guard	Woodbury, Minn./East Ridge
Will Swiggum	Saint Mary's	So.	Forward	St. Charles, Minn.

#### 2013-14 Men's Basketball All-MIAC Sportsmanship Team

Augsburg - Dan Kornbaum (Sr., Little Falls, Minn.)  
Bethel - Kyle Zimmerman (Sr., Champlin, Minn./Champlin Park)  
Carleton - Cameron Webb (Sr., Portland, Ore./Lincoln)  
Concordia - Tom Fraase (So., Bismarck, N.D./Century)  
Gustavus - Jordan Dick (Sr., Wabasha, Minn./Wabasha-Kellogg)  
Hamline - Dior Ford (Jr., Tucson, Ariz./Sahuaro)  
Macalester - Kyle Bernhard (So., Sleepy Hollow, Ill./Dundee-Crown)  
Saint John's - Jack Wittenborg (Sr., Bloomington, Minn./Jefferson)  
Saint Mary's - Aaron Romportl (Fr., Stillwater, Minn.)  
St. Olaf - Josh Pratt (Sr., Roseville, Minn./St. Anthony)  
St. Thomas - Jimmy Ancius (Jr., La Crosse, Wis./Aquinas)

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