

# 2007 MIAC Men's Indoor Track & Field Championships Awards

St. Paul, Minn. -- The 2007 Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) Indoor Track & Field Championships came to a close on Saturday evening with the St. Thomas men and women capturing the team titles. This week individuals awards were announced and they are listed below.

As part of a conference-wide sportsmanship initiative, the MIAC selected the first annual All-MIAC Sportsmanship teams for Indoor Track & Field. 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.

## Men's Track Athlete of the Meet - **Josh Otto, Bethel**

- Otto (Jr., White Bear Lake, Minn.) tied the Bethel school record of 49.11 in winning the 400 meter dash, which qualified him for the national meet; he also placed second in the 600 yard dash in 1:13.74. Otto was a member of the Bethel 800 and 1600 meter relay teams that won conference championships.

## Men's Field Athlete of the Meet - **Andy Klaers, Gustavus**

- Klaers (Sr., Loretto, Minn./Delano) won the 35-pound weight throw with his best mark of the season (57-7 3/4). Klaers also placed sixth in the shot put (46-1 1/4).

## Men's Outstanding Performance of the Meet - **Matt Schroeder, St. Thomas**

- Schroeder (Sr., Winona, Minn.) broke a 24-year-old pole vault meet record last Saturday (16-3 1-4) to help St. Thomas claim the school's 23rd consecutive MIAC championship. The vault also sent him in this weekend's NCAA meet seeded eighth.

## Men's and Women's Coach of the Year - **Jim Timp, Bethel**

- Timp was named Indoor Track Coach of the Year for both the men's and women's teams in just his second full year with both teams. The women's team finished in a best ever second place, while the men finished in a very strong fourth place showing great improvement over last years ninth place finish for both teams.

## Men's Indoor Track & Field All-MIAC Sportsmanship Team

Augsburg College - Spencer Power (Sr., Montgomery, Minn.)

Bethel University - Andy Kenutis (Sr., Eden Prairie, Minn.)

Carleton College - Jason Weaver (Sr., Monument, Colo.)

Concordia College - Steve Astrup (Jr., Dilworth, Minn.)

Gustavus Adolphus College - Alex Zupan (Sr., Monona, Wis.)

Hamline University - Drew Jones (Sr., Coon Rapids, Minn.)

Macalester College - Drake Anderson (So., Des Plaines, Ill.)

Saint John's University - Jacob Hartman (Sr., Yale, Iowa)

Saint Mary's University - Eric Sonnek (Sr., Delaran, Minn.)

St. Olaf College - Tom Cruse (Jr., Hastings, Minn.)