

Augsburg's Muyres, Navarre headline 2014 MIAC Women's Soccer Awards

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ST. PAUL, Minn. -- It was an incredible season of firsts for the Augsburg women's soccer team, as the Auggies won their first-ever Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) regular-season and Playoff championships and earned their first trip to the NCAA tournament. Therefore, it was no surprise Thursday when Augsburg headlined the 2014 MIAC Women's Soccer Awards by claiming the conference's top individual honors.

Augsburg senior forward Olivia Muyres was honored with the 2014 MIAC Women's Soccer Player-of-the-Year award, and her coach, Mike Navarre, was recognized by his peers with the 2014 MIAC Women's Soccer Coach-of-the-Year award. This marked the second time an Auggie has won each award, and the first for both since the mid-90s.



In addition to the Player- and Coach-of-the-Year award, the conference also announced the 2014 MIAC Women's Soccer All-Conference team, as well as All-Conference Honorable Mention selections and the members of the All-MIAC Sportsmanship Team.

Muyres and Navarre received their conference awards for their roles in Augsburg's success during an unforgettable and historic season. The Auggies finished 16-4 overall and 9-2 in the MIAC with 27 points to claim the conference championship by a single point over Concordia. Then, Augsburg defeated St. Thomas and the Cobbers last week en route to its first-ever MIAC Playoff title. Saturday, the Auggies will make the NCAA Division III Tournament debut when they face UW-Oshkosh in Chicago at 1:30 p.m.

The Player-of-the-Year award caps a historic season and career for Muyres, who finished with 14 goals, 10 assists and 38 points overall this season. Her goals, points, 66 shots and six game-winning goals all rank first in the MIAC and her assist total ranks second. She was just as good in MIAC play, with a league-leading 11 goals, 27 points, 39 shots and six game-winners, and her five MIAC assists also ranked second on the conference leader board.

In addition to the Player-of-the-Year award, Muyres also received her second-straight All-Conference honor, and she has been named MIAC Women's Soccer Athlete-of-the-Week four times over the last two seasons. Muyres will graduate as Augsburg's career leader in goals (45) and points (117) and second in career assists (27). Muyres is the second Auggie to win MIAC Player-of-the-Year honors, joining Astrid Larssen, who won the honor in 1996.

This marks Navarre's first MIAC Coach-of-the-Year award in his 16th season leading the Auggies. In addition to the program's first MIAC regular-season and postseason championships and first NCAA bid, he coached the MIAC Player-of-the-Year in Muyres, three All-MIAC selections and two Honorable Mention picks. Navarre's career record improved to 144-109-40 (.569), and he is Augsburg's all-time leader in coaching victories and winning percentage.

Muyres was one of 10 players to make a repeat appearance on the All-Conference team this season, led by Concordia star Libby Fransdal's third-straight selection. Muyres, St. Olaf's Kajsa Brindley, Concordia's Laura Prosinski and Elizabeth Robinson and Saint Benedict's Peggy Reiner and Grace Vaughn each earned their second-straight All-MIAC selection, while Augsburg's Molly Allen, Bethel's Jessica Huseby and Saint Benedict's Alyssa Hoffman each received their second career All-Conference honor after also receiving the award in 2012.

The 20-player 2014 MIAC Women's Soccer All-Conference team included four players from Saint Benedict, three each from Augsburg and Concordia, two apiece from St. Olaf and St. Thomas, and Bethel, Hamline, Macalester and St. Catherine each had one player honored. The team was heavy on veterans, with eight seniors, nine juniors and three sophomores selected.

As part of a conference-wide sportsmanship initiative, the MIAC announced the ninth-annual All-MIAC Sportsmanship team for women's soccer. 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.

2014 MIAC WOMEN'S SOCCER AWARDS

Player-of-the-Year: Olivia Muyres, Augsburg (Sr., F, Rochester, Minn. / Lourdes)

Coach-of-the-Year: Mike Navarre, Augsburg (16th season)

2014 MIAC WOMEN'S SOCCER ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM

Name	Team	Year	Pos.	Hometown/Previous School
Molly Allen	Augsburg	Sr.	M	Stillwater, Minn.

Kajsa Brindley	St. Olaf	Jr.	M	Lexington, Ky. / Paul Laurence Dunbar
Hannah Brown	St. Catherine	Jr.	M	Burnsville, Minn. / Lakeville South
Mikayla Coulombe	Carleton	Jr.	G	Crystal, Minn. / Benilde-St. Margaret's
Marie Fitzgerald	Augsburg	Jr.	F	Fort Atkinson, Wis.
Libby Fransdal	Concordia	Sr.	D	Hopkins, Minn.
Ingrid Greene	Macalester	Sr.	M/F	Madison, Wis. / Memorial
Malya Hirshkowitz	Hamline	So.	D/M	Seattle, Wash. / Bush
Alyssa Hoffman	Saint Benedict	Jr.	F	Chaska, Minn. / Benilde-St. Margaret's
Jessica Huseby	Bethel	Sr.	F/M	Medina, Minn. / Heritage Christian
Ava Lewis	Carleton	So.	M	Seattle, Wash. / Garfield
Morgan McConachie	St. Thomas	Sr.	F/M	Lake Forest, Ill.
Ellie Mullen	Saint Benedict	Jr.	D	Portland, Ore. / Scappoose
Olivia Muyres	Augsburg	Sr.	F	Rochester, Minn. / Lourdes
Laura Prosinski	Concordia	Sr.	M	Billings, Mont. / West
Peggy Reiner	Saint Benedict	Jr.	M	Plymouth, Minn. / Benilde-St. Margaret's
Elizabeth Robinson	Concordia	Sr.	F	Minneapolis, Minn. / Southwest
Tarynn Theilig	St. Thomas	So.	G	Appleton, Wis. / St. Frances Xavier
Madison Van Wylen	St. Olaf	Jr.	M	Northfield, Minn.
Grace Vaughan	Saint Benedict	Jr.	F	Shakopee, Minn.

2014 MIAC WOMEN'S SOCCER ALL-CONFERENCE HONORABLE MENTION

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Hometown/Previous School</u>
Marta Anderson	Augsburg	So.	M	Mankato, Minn. / East
Elizabeth Bitzan	Concordia	Jr.	G	Moorhead, Minn. / Shanley
Brittany Chase	Gustavus	Jr.	F	Victoria, Minn. / Chanhassen
Brooke DeMets	Saint Benedict	Fr.	D	Eden Prairie, Minn.
Hayley Engel	St. Thomas	Jr.	M	Minneapolis / Shattuck St. Mary's
Olivia Haggerty	Bethel	Sr.	D	Buffalo, Minn.
Corinne Henning	Hamline	Sr.	M	St. Paul, Minn. / Culver Academy
Courtney Jones	Carleton	Sr.	D	Westerville, Ohio / Central
Ellen Kokes	St. Catherine	Jr.	D	Bloomington, Minn.
Emily Loof	Saint Mary's	Fr.	F	Colorado Springs, Colo. / St. Mary's
Hannah Okerstrom	St. Catherine	So.	M	Bayport, Minn. / Stillwater
Marta Prosinski	Concordia	Sr.	M	Billings, Mont. / West
Abi Rodstein	Augsburg	Sr.	M	Eagan, Minn.
Emma Schaefer	Saint Mary's	So.	M	Falcon Heights, Minn. / Roseville
Emily Sierakowski	St. Olaf	Jr.	F	Stillwater, Minn. / Mahtomedi
Mikala Smith	Bethel	So.	M	Blaine, Minn. / Spring Lake Park
Emma Toomer	Macalester	Fr.	G	Leesburg, Virginia / Loudoun County
Bailey Ulbricht	Carleton	Sr.	F/M	Severna Park, Md.
Victoria Vargas	St. Thomas	Jr.	D	San Diego, Calif. / Cathedral Catholic
Ellie Wilson	Carleton	Sr.	F	Roseville, Minn.

2014 WOMEN'S SOCCER ALL-MIAC SPORTSMANSHIP TEAM

Augsburg: Bri Felton (Sr., Fridley, Minn.)

Bethel: Christa Heiligenthal (Sr., Ames, Iowa)

Carleton: Megan King (Jr., Corvallis, Ore.)

Concordia: Sarah Fleissner (Sr., Duluth, Minn. / Denfeld)

Gustavus: Valerie Belanger (Sr., Zimmerman, Minn.)

Hamline: Alyssa Skinner (Sr., Parker, Colo.)

Macalester: Margaret Nemetz (Sr., Ann Arbor, Mich. / Pioneer)

Saint Benedict: Megan Favorite (Sr., Maple Grove, Minn.)

St. Catherine: Jennifer Goetz (Sr., Minneapolis, Minn. / Southwest)

Saint Mary's: Miranda Halling (Sr., Rochester, Minn. / Mayo)

St. Olaf: Megan Fellows (Sr., Urbandale, Iowa)

St. Thomas: Nicole Lenz (Sr., Lino Lakes / Centennial)

