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### NSIC PLAYER OF THE YEAR



**Jessica Lucia**  
**RS, 5-9, Sr.**  
**Plymouth, Minn.**  
**Wayzata HS**  
**Concordia-St. Paul**

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### NSIC LIBERO OF THE YEAR



**Laura Dolezal**  
**DS, 5-8, JR.,**  
**Columbus, Neb.**  
**Columbus Scotus HS**  
**Wayne State**

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### NSIC FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR



**Maggie McNamara**  
**S, 5-9, Fr.,**  
**Zumbrota, Minn.**  
**Zumbrota-Mayzeppa HS**  
**Concordia-St. Paul**

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### NSIC COACH OF THE YEAR



**Brady Starkey**  
**4th Year**  
**Concordia-St. Paul**



St. Paul, Minn. - The Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference has announced the 2006 Volleyball All-Conference team, as voted on by the league coaches. **Concordia-St. Paul's Jessica Lucia** was named NSIC Player of the Year for the second consecutive season. Lucia, the NSIC Preseason Player of the Year and a three time NSIC Player of the Week, helped lead the Golden Bears to a perfect 18-0 mark in NSIC play this season. **Wayne State's Laura Dolezal** repeated as NSIC Libero of the Year. Dolezal was named NSIC Libero of the Week four times this season as she helped the Wildcats to a second place finish in the NSIC. **Concordia-St. Paul's Maggie McNamara** was named NSIC Freshman of the Year for her outstanding season as the Golden Bear's setter. She was named NSIC Setter of the Week five times this season. **Concordia-St. Paul's Brady Starkey** was named NSIC Coach of the Year for the third time in the last four seasons. Starkey, in his fourth season, has led the Golden Bears to the last four NSIC Regular Season Championships.

### NSIC FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

| #  | Name              | School             | Pos   | Ht   | Yr  | Hometown            |
|----|-------------------|--------------------|-------|------|-----|---------------------|
| 5  | Kelsey Kyro       | Concordia-St. Paul | MH    | 5-8  | Sr. | Minneapolis, Minn.  |
| 8  | Jessica Lucia     | Concordia-St. Paul | RS    | 5-9  | Sr. | Plymouth, Minn.     |
| 9  | Erin Contons      | SW Minnesota State | OH    | 5-10 | Jr. | Apple Valley, Minn. |
| 12 | Maggie McNamara   | Concordia-St. Paul | S     | 5-9  | Fr. | Zumbrota, Minn.     |
| 13 | Megan Wendorff    | SW Minnesota State | MH    | 6-1  | Sr. | Kenyon, Minn.       |
| 9  | Emily Schroeder   | Wayne State        | OH    | 5-11 | Jr. | Belden, Neb.        |
| 4  | Brittany Coleman  | Wayne State        | S     | 5-9  | Sr. | Beatrice, Neb.      |
| 10 | Laura Dolezal     | Wayne State        | Lib   | 5-8  | Jr. | Columbus, Neb.      |
| 4  | Julie Vancura     | MSU Moorhead       | S     | 5-6  | Jr. | Anoka, Minn.        |
| 4  | Megan Graham      | Concordia-St. Paul | Lib   | 5-6  | Sr. | Dayton, Minn.       |
| 12 | Odemaris Diaz     | Northern State     | OH/MH | 5-11 | Sr. | Vega Alta, PR       |
| 12 | Michelle Eckhardt | Wayne State        | MH    | 5-10 | Sr. | Ayr, Neb.           |

### NSIC ALL-CONFERENCE HONORABLE MENTION

| #  | Name               | School               | Pos | Ht   | Yr  | Hometown                      |
|----|--------------------|----------------------|-----|------|-----|-------------------------------|
| 4  | Erin Flynn         | Minnesota, Crookston | MH  | 5'11 | Sr. | Bloomer, Wis.                 |
| 13 | Becky Anderson     | MSU Moorhead         | MH  | 5'10 | Sr. | Fargo, N.D.                   |
| 9  | Maria Steinhagen   | Concordia-St. Paul   | MH  | 5'10 | So. | Alexandria, Minn.             |
| 10 | Melanie Perez      | Northern State       | Lib | 5'8  | So. | Rio Piedras, PR               |
| 7  | Megan Pulvermacher | Winona State         | OH  | 5'11 | Sr. | Black Earth, Wis.             |
| 11 | Meagan Brandon     | MSU Moorhead         | MH  | 5'11 | So. | Orangevale, Calif.            |
| 4  | Brittney Burns     | Bemidji State        | OH  | 6'0  | Jr. | LeSueur, Minn.                |
| 10 | Kasey Loeslie      | SW Minnesota State   | MB  | 6'1  | Jr. | Tracy, Minn.                  |
| 8  | Kelly Heier        | Northern State       | S   | 5'6  | Sr. | Aberdeen, S.D.                |
| 8  | Tatiani Santos     | University of Mary   | MH  | 5'11 | Jr. | San Jose Do-Rio Preto, Brazil |

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