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## Midwest Conference News

### ***Lake Forest's Lynch, Knox's McDavid Named Sportsmanship Winners***

**Ripon, Wis.** -- The Midwest Conference is pleased to announce Lake Forest College's senior Alison Lynch and Knox College's junior Maurice McDavid have been selected as the league's 2009 Sportsmanship Award winners.

Lynch, the Forester's goalkeeper, played a huge role in the team's qualification for the four-team Midwest Conference tournament, both on and off the field. After playing 807 minutes, earning a 5-4 record, and making 32 saves for a .681 saves percentage, Lynch suffered a season-ending injury nine games into her senior campaign. She remained active throughout the season by attending every game and helping to prepare her replacement for each contest. Lake Forest closed out the regular season with four consecutive one-goal victories en route to qualifying for the MWC Tournament.



*Alison Lynch*

As a junior, the Dunlap, Illinois native was stellar, starting all 20 games en route to earning First Team All-Midwest Conference. She earned MWC Defensive Player of the Week honors twice during the season and was named the team's Most Valuable Player.

In three seasons, Knox College's Maurice McDavid has never been flagged for a penalty and is coming off a season in which he was second in tackles amongst Prairie Fire defensive linemen. He has a genuine concern for the opponent's well-being and does not look for advantages that are not present in good, clean play.



*Maurice McDavid*

Away from the football field, McDavid - an ordained minister from Dekalb, Illinois- has participated in Special Olympics and a reading program with local elementary school students. He is a founding member of the Gentlemen of Quality fraternity chapter, an organization that is focused on brotherhood, multiculturalism, academics and community service. McDavid is also a Knox College student ambassador, officer for ABLE (Allied Blacks for Liberty and Equality) and served as the KC SAAC football representative until studying abroad this winter.

The pair will be the conference's nominations for the 2009 NCAA Division III Sportsmanship Award. The NCAA Committee will select one male and female student-athlete from each division as finalists and then one male and one female from those six finalists as the NCAA Sportsmanship Award winners.

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*The Midwest Conference is a NCAA Division III organization comprised of ten private, liberal arts institutions in Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin. The Midwest Conference sponsors 20 championship sports for over 3,000 student-athletes and its office is located on the campus of Ripon College.*

