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**WCHA ANNOUNCES 2017-18 ALL-LEAGUE TEAMS,
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*All-WCHA and All-Academic teams honored***

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. – Feb. 23, 2018 – Before the league’s postseason begins, the Women’s League of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) is proud to recognize the 24 student-athletes represented on its 2017-18 All-WCHA Teams, along with the ninety-five (95) All-Academic Team honorees. Each of the five All-WCHA Teams are Powered by GoodWood Hockey.

“On and off the ice, each and every season, our student-athletes show why the WCHA is the premier league in college hockey,” said WCHA Vice President and Women’s League Commissioner **Katie Million**. “We are proud of each All-WCHA honoree for their athletic and academic successes, and applaud them for a wonderful season.”

Showcasing the league’s impressive group of underclassmen, freshmen and sophomores account for five of six All-WCHA First Team selections, and nine of 18 spots overall.

The 2017-18 WCHA Offensive Player, Defensive Player, Goaltender, Rookie, Outstanding Student-Athlete and Coach of the Year, respectively, followed by the Overall WCHA Player of the Year, will be announced next week. Each WCHA individual award is, likewise, Powered by GoodWood Hockey.

All-WCHA First Team, Powered by GoodWood Hockey

The high-scoring forward trio consists of Wisconsin sophomore **Abby Roque** (Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.) and freshmen **Emma Maltais** of Ohio State (Burlington, Ontario) and **Grace Zumwinkle** of Minnesota (Excelsior, Minn). Zumwinkle is the first freshman since 2009-10 to be WCHA Scoring Champion, leading the league with 27 points (11g-16a) in 24 WCHA games. Maltais is the WCHA’s overall scoring leader with 38 points (14g-24a), including 24 in league play (10g-14a), keying the Buckeyes to program records with 21 overall wins and 14 WCHA victories. Roque tallied 21 (6g-15a) of her 35 overall points in league games, helping the top-ranked Badgers to their third-straight WCHA regular season championship.

The first-team All-WCHA defense consists of Minnesota senior **Sydney Baldwin** (Minnetonka, Minn.) and Ohio State redshirt-sophomore **Jincy Dunne** (O’Fallon, Mo.). Baldwin, a top-10 finalist for the Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award, led WCHA defensemen with 22 points (9g-13a) and 76 blocks in league play, while posting a plus-10 rating. Dunne paced league blueliners with 15 assists in WCHA competition, while logging 41 blocks and a plus-13 rating.

Wisconsin sophomore **Kristen Campbell** (Brandon, Manitoba), a Patty Kaz top-10 finalist, is the All-WCHA First Team goaltender. In her first season in Madison, the transfer from North Dakota started all 24 league games for the WCHA champion Badgers, leading the league with 20 wins, an .875 winning percentage (20-2-2), eight shutouts a 1.16 goals-against average and a .941 save percentage. Campbell’s overall numbers lead all NCAA Division I netminders in the same categories.

All-WCHA Second Team, Powered by GoodWood Hockey

A pair of Wisconsin forwards – senior **Claudia Kepler** (Verona, Wis.) and junior **Sophia Shaver** (Wayzata, Minn.) – join Minnesota senior **Caitlin Reilly** (Chanhassen, Minn.) on the All-WCHA Second Team. In her first on-ice season with the Badgers, Kepler led the WCHA during league play with 15 goals (and is second with 20 overall) and five power-play markers, while ranking second with a plus-19 rating. Shaver contributed to UW's 20-2-2 league record with 18 points on nine goals (including two game-winners) and nine assists, along with a plus-12. Reilly tied for third in the league scoring derby with 22 points (9g-13a) in 24 WCHA games.

Defensively, the second-team All-WCHA includes Wisconsin junior **Mikaela Gardner** (Plainfield, Ill.) and Bemidji State senior **Alexis Joyce** (Lakeville, Minn.). Gardner posted a WCHA-best plus-22 rating in her 21 league games, while tallying 14 points (3g-11). Joyce, one of the highest-scoring blueliners in BSU history, collected 16 of her career-high 21 points in WCHA play (tied for second among her defense peers), with three goals and 13 assists against league opponents (along with 42 blocked shots).

Reigning All-American and Ohio State's all-time saves leader, **Kassidy Sauv ** (Whitby, Ontario) is the second-team All-WCHA goaltender. The redshirt-junior, who leads the WCHA (and is third nationally) with 849 saves overall, ranked second with 571 stops, 11 wins and six shutouts in league play.

All-WCHA Third Team, Powered by GoodWood Hockey

Ohio State freshman **Tatum Skaggs** (Hartland, Wis.), Minnesota Duluth senior **Kateřina Mr zov ** (Prague, Czech Republic) and another rookie, Bemidji State's **Clair DeGeorge** (Anchorage, Alaska), are the trio of forwards on the All-WCHA Third Team. Skaggs, the WCHA's overall leader with 21 goals (among 35 points), lit the lamp a rookie-best 12 times in league games (along with eight assists for 20 points). Mr zov  helped key the Bulldogs' surge into home ice for the WCHA Quarterfinals, collecting 15 points (7g-8a) in league competition. DeGeorge was fourth among league rookies with 17 points in her 24 WCHA contest, scoring five goals with 12 assists.

Wisconsin senior **Maddie Rolfes** (West Des Moines, Iowa) and Minnesota Duluth sophomore **Jalyn Elmes** (Brandon, Manitoba) are the third-team All-WCHA defense. A clutch performer, Rolfes led WCHA blueliners (and tied for third overall) with three game-winning goals in league games, while contributing 15 points (4g-11a) and a plus-16 rating. Elmes tied for second among WCHA blue-line skaters with 16 points (4g-12a) in WCHA play, while leading that group with five power-play assists (tied) and seven power-play points.

St. Cloud State freshman **Emma Polusny** (Mound, Minn.), who burst onto the scene with a program single-season record four shutouts, is the All-WCHA Third Team goaltender. Three of her shutouts came in her 13 WCHA starts, while she was second in league play with a .940 save percentage and third with a 1.88 goals-against average.

WCHA All-Rookie Team, Powered by GoodWood Hockey

The WCHA All-Rookie Team forwards are a trio of freshmen who have the distinction of making two all-league teams in their first collegiate seasons: Ohio State's **Maltais**, Minnesota's **Zumwinkle** and Bemidji State's **DeGeorge**.

Patrolling the WCHA All-Rookie blue line are Bemidji State's **Mak Langei** (East Grand Forks, Minn.) and Minnesota's **Olivia Knowles** (Campbell River, British Columbia). Among her WCHA freshman defense peers, Langei was tops with four goals, 10 assists, 14 points, two power-play assists (tied), two game-

winning goals, 44 shots on goal and 56 blocks. Knowles, meanwhile, was tied for second with eight points (2g-6a) and third with 48 blocks.

St. Cloud State's **Polusny**, like the forwards, is on her second all-league team as the WCHA All-Rookie goaltender.

About the 2017-18 WCHA All-WCHA Teams, Powered by GoodWood Hockey

WCHA Women's League member team head coaches and assistant coaches vote for the All-WCHA Teams. The All-WCHA First, Second and Third Teams are determined by tabulating votes on a sliding 5-3-1 scale (wherein a vote for First Team results in five [5] points, etc.). The WCHA All-Rookie Team is determined by tabulating the number of votes each player receives.

All-Academic Team

The League also released the 2017-18 WCHA All-Academic Team, comprised of 95 student-athletes representing all seven WCHA Women's League member institutions.

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2017-18 All-WCHA First Team

- Forwards: Abby Roque, So., UW; Emma Maltais, Fr., OSU; Grace Zumwinkle, Fr., UMN
- Defense: Sydney Baldwin, Sr., UMN; Jincy Dunne, RS-So., OSU
- Goaltender: Kristen Campbell, So., UW

2017-18 All-WCHA Second Team

- Forwards: Claudia Kepler, Sr., UW; Sophia Shaver, Jr., UW; Caitlin Reilly, Sr., UMN
- Defense: Mikaela Gardner, Jr., UW; Alexis Joyce, Sr., BSU
- Goaltender: Cassidy Sauvé, RS-Jr., OSU

2017-18 All-WCHA Third Team

- Forwards: Tatum Skaggs, Fr., OSU; Kateřina Mrázová, Sr., UMD; Clair DeGeorge, Fr., BSU
- Defense: Maddie Rolfes, Sr., UW; Jalyn Elmes, So., UMD
- Goaltender: Emma Polusny, Fr., SCSU

2017-18 WCHA All-Rookie Team

- Forwards: Emma Maltais, OSU; Grace Zumwinkle, UMN; Clair DeGeorge, BSU
- Defense: Mak Langei, BSU; Olivia Knowles, UMN
- Goaltender: Emma Polusny, SCSU

2017-18 WCHA All-Academic Team, Powered by GoodWood Hockey

To qualify for the WCHA All-Academic Team, student-athletes must have completed one year of eligibility at present institution, prior to the current academic year and have a GPA of at least 3.0 for the previous two semesters or three quarters.

Following, by team, are the ninety-five (95) 2017-18 WCHA All-Academic Team honorees:

Bemidji State University

Lauren Bench (RS-Fr., G, Eagan, Minn.); Emily Bergland (Jr., F, Thief River Falls, Minn.); Erin Deters (Sr., G, Sartell, Minn.); Reilly Fawcett (Sr., F, Proctor, Minn.); Abby Halluska (So., F, Delano, Minn.); Melissa Hunt (Jr., D, Hartney, Manitoba); Briana Jorde (So., D, Thief River Falls, Minn.); Alexis Joyce (Sr., D, Lakeville, Minn.); Jacqueline Kaasa (So., F, North Hudson, Wis.); Haley Mack (So., F, East Grand Forks, Minn.);

Sylvia Marolt (Jr., F, Thief River Falls, Minn.); Heather Olson (So., D, Bemidji, Minn.); Kiki Radke (So., F, Hastings, Minn.); Emma Terres (Sr., F/D, New Hope, Minn.); Summer Thibodeau (Sr., F, Maple Grove, Minn.); Bailey Wright (Sr., F, Anchorage, Alaska)

University of Minnesota

Sydney Baldwin (Sr., D, Minnetonka, Minn.); Serena D'Angelo (So., G, Oakville, Ontario); Tianna Gunderson (Jr., F, Roseau, Minn.); Patti Marshall (So., D, Thief River Falls, Minn.); Sidney Peters (RS-Sr., G, Geneva, Ill.); Cara Piazza (Sr., F, Darien, Ill.); Caitlin Reilly (Sr., F, Chanhassen, Minn.); Nicole Schammel (RS-Jr., F, Red Wing, Minn.); Sophie Skarzynski (Jr., F, Lake Forest, Ill.); Sierra Smith (Jr., F, Stillwater, Minn.); Taylor Williamson (Jr., F, Edina, Minn.); Alex Woken (So., F, Fargo, N.D.)

University of Minnesota Duluth

Lynn Astrup (Sr., D, Warroad, Minn.); Sydney Brodt (So., F, North Oaks, Minn.); Catherine Daoust (Sr., D, L'Île-Bizard, Québec); Reagan Haley (Jr., F, Red Wing, Minn.); Jessica Healey (Edmonton, Alberta); Linnea Hedin (Sr., D, Huddinge, Sweden); Ryleigh Houston (So., F, Winnipeg, Manitoba); Catherine Johnson (So., G, Lakeville, Minn.); Michelle Löwenhielm (Sr., F, Sollentuna, Sweden); Kateřina Mrázová (Prague, Czech Republic); Brooklynn Schugel (So., F, New Ulm, Minn.); Emma Yanko (Jr., F, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan)

Minnesota State University

Emily Antony (Jr., F, Plymouth, Minn.); Katie Bidulka (Jr., G, Oakville, Ontario); Corbin Boyd (Jr., F, Minnetonka, Minn.); Lindsey Coleman (Sr., F, Burnsville, Minn.); Amanda Conway (Sr., F, Naperville, Ill.); Chloe Crosby (So., G, Lakeville, Minn.); Hannah Davidson (Sr., F, Kincardine, Ontario); Lena Düesterhöft (Jr., D, Munich, Germany); Taylor Gulenchyn (So., F, Stillwater, Minn.); Megan Hinze (Jr., D, Carver, Minn.); Jordan Jackson (So., D, Maplewood, Minn.); Anna Keys (Sr., D, Cottage Grove, Minn.); Rebekah Kolstad (Jr., F, Mankato, Minn.); Amanda Martin (Sr., F, Peoria, Ariz.); Jordan McLaughlin (Grand Rapids, Minn.); Sofia Poinar (So., F, Chanhassen, Minn.); McKenzie Sederberg (So., D, Andover, Minn.); Emma Wittchow (Sr., D, Burnsville, Minn.)

Ohio State University

Samantha Bouley (So., F, Stittsville, Ontario); Lauren Boyle (Jr., D, Eden Prairie, Minn.); Charly Dahlquist (Jr., F, Eden Prairie, Minn.); Jincy Dunne (RS-So., D, O'Fallon, Mo.); Maddy Field (Jr., F, Oakville, Ontario); Rebecca Freiburger (So., F, Rochester, Minn.); Julianna Iafallo (Sr., F, Eden, N.Y.); Jacyn Reeves (Jr., F/D, Holmen, Wis.); Elise Riemenschneider (So., D, Rocky River, Ohio); Dani Sadek (Lakeville, Minn.); Cassidy Sauvé (RS-Jr., G, Whitby, Ontario); Olivia Soares (So., F, Hanover, Mass.); Lauren Spring (Sr., F, Kelowna, British Columbia)

St. Cloud State University

Janine Alder (So., G, Zürich, Switzerland); Brittney Anderson (Sr., D, Hudson, Wis.); Taylor Crosby (Cole Harbour Nova Scotia); Katie Detert (So., F, Rhinelander, Wis.); Ivy Dynek (Jr., F, Northfield, Ill.); Alyssa Erickson (Sr., F, Mission, British Columbia); Janna Haeg (So., F, Lakeville, Minn.); Brooke Kudirka (So., F, Omaha, Neb.); Suvi Ollikainen (Klaukkala, Finland); Hannah Potrykus (Brighton, Mich.); Emma Turbyville (Sr., D, Chicago, Ill.); Julia Tylke (Delafield, Wis.)

University of Wisconsin

Kristen Campbell (So., G, Brandon, Manitoba); Sam Cogan (Jr., F, Ottawa, Ontario); Mikaela Gardner (Jr., D, Plainfield, Ill.); Claudia Kepler (Sr., F, Verona, Wis.); Alexis Mauermann (So., F, Janesville, Wis.); Presley Norby (So., F, Minnetonka, Minn.); Annie Pankowski (RS-Sr., F, Laguna Hills, Calif.); Abby Roque (So., F, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.); Maddie Rowe (So., F/D, River Falls, Wis.); Sophia Shaver (Jr., F, Wayzata, Minn.); Mekenzie Steffen (So., D, Centerville, Minn.); Baylee Wellhausen (Sr., F, Williams Bay, Wis.); Lauren Williams (Sr., D, Windsor, Ontario)

About the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA)

The Women's League of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association has won a record 16 national championships in 18 seasons since its inception in 1999 (including 15 of a possible 17 NCAA titles), while producing seven Patty Kazmaier Award winners, 95 All-Americans and numerous Olympic and national team members. The seven-team Division 1 conference consists of: Bemidji State University (Beavers), the University of Minnesota (Golden Gophers), the University of Minnesota Duluth (Bulldogs), Minnesota State University (Mavericks), Ohio State University (Buckeyes), St. Cloud State University (Huskies) and the University of Wisconsin (Badgers). For more information, visit www.wcha.com.

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