



Golden Eagles Travel to Halenback Hall for Match with Ranked Opponent, St. Cloud State

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St. Cloud, Minn.-- After playing No. 3 Minnesota Duluth on Tuesday in Duluth, the Golden Eagles head back on the road for yet another test with No. 11 St. Cloud State on Tuesday night. This will be the second time the Huskies and Golden Eagles meet this season. The Huskies won the first match in three sets (18-25, 5-25, 20-25).

The ranked Huskies are coming off a weekend where they won both of their matches over the weekend, defeating the third-ranked Bulldogs in four and sweeping Bemidji State last Saturday evening.

Minnesota Crookston (4-19, 2-12 NSIC) at No. 11 St. Cloud State (19-4, 11-4 NSIC)

Halenback Hall, St. Cloud, Minn.—Tuesday, Nov. 5, 6 PM

Live Stats-- <https://scsuhuskies.com/sidearmstats/wvball/summary>

Live Video-- <https://portal.stretchinternet.com/scsu/>

Minnesota Crookston Tidbits

The Golden Eagles will look to pull off the upset over the Huskies on Tuesday night. The Golden Eagles' last victory over the Huskies came in September of 2015, when the maroon and gold swept the Huskies inside Lysaker Gymnasium.

Last Thursday night, sophomore [Porsha Porath](#) (So., OH, Windom, Minn.) proved to be frightening for the Beavers on Halloween night. Porath added to her team lead in kills, collecting 11 on 34 total attacks for the Golden Eagles in a four set loss. [Lauren Wallace](#) (R-So., OH, Bloomington, Minn.) was also spooky good for the Golden Eagles against the Beavers, collecting six kills on 12 total attacks, good for a .333 hitting percentage, her second highest on the season. The Golden Eagles will also look to [Kaitlin Sikkink](#) (R-Sr., MH, St. Charles, Minn.), [Deaira Gresham](#) (Jr., OH, Maplewood, Minn.) and [Sabrina Leuer](#) (R-Sr., OH, Hamel, Minn.) offensively against the Huskies.

Defensively, [Katie Lienemann](#) (Jr., DS, Rosemount, Minn.) has been solid for Head Coach [Sarah Raven](#) and the Golden Eagles. Lienemann leads her team with 284 digs on the season, including a career-high 39 against Minot State earlier this season. At the setter position, both [Sydney Krusselbrink](#) (Jr., S, Rochester, Minn.) and [Natalie Koke](#) (R-Fr., S, Caledonia, Minn.) have been strong.

About St. Cloud State

The Huskies are in the middle of one of the best seasons in school history. The Huskies have won five matches over ranked opponents, including conference opponents Upper Iowa, Southwest Minnesota State and Upper Iowa. SCSU has been very good at home this season, going 11-1. The Huskies' only loss was to Northern State in early October.

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The Huskies can beat you in a lot of different ways when they are on the attack. Erin Navratil, Chloe Dousette, Rachel Linsey, Phebie Rossi and Marah Mulso all have 100 or more kills on the season, while Linsey leads her team with 318. Linsey comes into the match sixth in the conference with 3.88 kills per set.

Clara Krenz and Linsey have been outstanding in the back row for the Huskies. Krenz not only leads her team in digs, but also the entire conference with 490 digs on the season, while Linsey ranks 11th in the NSIC in digs and digs per set.

Linsey and Krenz were important pieces in the 3-0 win over the Golden Eagles earlier this season. Linsey had 11 kills, while Krenz led the way with 17 digs against the Golden Eagles.

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