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Thielman and Knickerbocker Named UMC Teambackers Student-Athletes of the Week for Dec. 31-Jan. 6



CROOKSTON, Minn. – University of Minnesota Crookston men's basketball player [Chase Knickerbocker](#) (Fr., G/F, Annandale, Minn./Business Finance) and [Alexa Thielman](#) (Sr., G, Buffalo, Minn./Health Science) have been selected UMC Teambackers Student-Athletes of the Week for the seven-day period from Dec. 31-Jan. 6. Knickerbocker is a first-time honoree, while Thielman has earned the recognition three times this season.

Knickerbocker was chosen for his outstanding performance in the classroom during the Fall semester of 2015, which was his first semester as a business finance student at UMC.

Knickerbocker finished the semester with a 3.75 GPA. Knickerbocker is averaging 4.6 points and 1.9 rebounds per game in 16 minutes per game in his first season with the Golden Eagles. Knickerbocker is shooting 37.8 percent from beyond the arc on the 2015-16 season.

Thielman averaged 14.5 points and 5.5 rebounds two weekends ago as UMC defeated University of Mary and Minot State University. Thielman had a double-double of 17 points and 10 rebounds on 5-of-12 from the field and 5-of-10 from beyond the arc against Minot State. Her performance against Minot State would help her tie Amy Kuznia's record for three-pointers in a career, a mark she would break last weekend against St. Cloud State University. Against U-Mary, Thielman tallied 12 points, including going 2-of-5 from beyond the arc and 4-of-4 from the charity stripe.

The UMC Teambackers Student-Athlete of the Week award honors accomplishments of Golden Eagle student-athletes on the field, in the classroom and in the community and has been doing so for the last three seasons.

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The University of Minnesota Crookston is a NCAA Division II university located in the Red River Valley of Northwest Minnesota. UMC sponsors 11 intercollegiate athletic teams with membership in the Northern Sun Intercollegiate conference (NSIC) and the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA). The NSIC is a 16-team conference with schools situated in Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota and Nebraska.

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2015-16 Honorees

- Jan. 6 – [Alexa Thielman](#) (women's basketball) and [Chase Knickerbocker](#) (men's basketball)
- Dec. 22 – [Katrina Nordick](#) (women's basketball) and [C.J. Polk](#) (men's basketball)
- Dec. 16 – [Katrina Nordick](#) (women's basketball) and [C.J. Polk](#) (men's basketball)
- Dec. 9 – [Cathy Ackroyd](#) (western equestrian) and [Derrick Redd, Jr.](#) (men's basketball)
- Dec. 2 – [Katrina Nordick](#) (women's basketball) and [Jim Warmack](#) (men's basketball)
- Nov. 25 – [Alexa Thielman](#) (women's basketball) and [Derrick Redd, Jr.](#) (men's basketball)
- Nov. 18 – [Alexa Thielman](#) (women's basketball) and [Ben Crygiel](#) (men's basketball)
- Nov. 11 – [Amanda Guimont](#) (western equestrian) and [Dre Person](#) (football)
- Nov. 4 – [Emily Steeley](#) (hunt seat equestrian), [Selena Young](#) (hunt seat equestrian) and [Constant Jackson](#) (football)
- Oct. 28 – [Chloe Nelson](#) (western equestrian) and [Dre Person](#) (football)
- Oct. 21 – Delaney McIntyre (soccer), Courtney Armbrorst (soccer) and [Dre Person](#) (football)
- Oct. 15 – Katie Sheetz (women's golf) and [Adam Connette](#) (football)
- 10/7 - Marina Farrow (women's golf) and Chris Cobler (men's golf)
- 9/30 - Lexie Gauger (soccer) and Seth Heppner (men's golf)
- 9/23 - Maggie Perrel (volleyball) and Seth Heppner (men's golf)
- 9/16 – Katie Sheetz (women's golf) and Lethzee Calderon (football)
- 9/9 – Stephanie Pearson (volleyball) and Stephen Day (football)

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PLAYERS MENTIONED ▾

#11 Adam Connette WR / 5' 10" / Sophomore	#9 Constant Jackson WR / 5' 9" / Senior
#10 Derrick Redd, Jr. G / 6' 1" / Redshirt Senior	#54 Jim Warmack F/C / 6' 7" / Sophomore
#2 C.J. Polk G / 6' 0" / Sophomore	#32 Ben Crygiel F / 6' 5" / Junior
#25 Chase Knickerbocker G/F / 6' 6" / Freshman	#21 Katrina Nordick F / 5' 10" / Senior
#12 Alexa Thielman G / 5' 8" / Senior	#30 Andre Person RB / 5' 10" / Redshirt Junior

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