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Albertson tabbed for UMAC All-Decade Team honors

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Cory Albertson batting for the Yellowjackets

Photo by Wendy Stocker

SAINT PAUL, Minn. — As part of its 2018-19 "10-Year Celebration," the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference named UW-Superior junior catcher Cory Albertson (Stillwater, Minn./Stillwater Area) to the All-Decade Team

in baseball, announced Thursday.

As a sophomore, Albertson was named First Team All-UMAC and the 2018 Player of the Year after leading all of Division III in home

runs per game (0.38). He also led the conference in RBI (42) and slugging (0.847). Albertson was also an ABCA First Team All-Region selection and D3Baseball.com Third Team honoree last spring.

So far this season, Albertson is tied for the league lead with a .447 batting average, is first in on-base percentage (.538), second in slugging percentage (.745), third in hits (42), tied for third in RBIs (29), fourth in doubles (12)

and sixth in home runs (four).

Albertson, the only active UMAC student-athlete to be included on the All-Decade Team, is one 15 total honorees.

Men's Track and Field wins fourth straight UMAC Outdoor title

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The UWS Men's Outdoor Track team poses with their UMAC title and conference championship banner

Photo by Sara Quinnell of UMAC

MORRIS, Minn. — The UW-Superior men's track and field team claimed its fourth consecutive Upper Midwest Athletic Conference Men's track and Field Championship on the campus of the University of Minnesota Morris Saturday.

The Yellowjackets scored 190 points for a nine-point victory over St. Scholastica.

Superior won five events on the day, setting two meet records in the process. Senior C.J. Pillath (Coleman, Wis./Coleman) won both the shot put (in a UMAC-outdoor-record 15.75 meters) and discus in 45.70 meters. The 'Jackets' 4x100- and 4x400-meter relay teams won those events in 43.85

and 3:24.19, respectively. Matt Carlson (Duluth, Minn./Hermantown), Isaiah Arntson (Esko, Minn./Proctor), Cody Fernandez (Duluth, Minn./Proctor) and Jake Weston (Eveleth, Minn./Eveleth-Gilbert Senior) ran the 4x400 in the UMAC-record time. Joe Chucka (Couderay, Wis./Birchwood), Weston, Lennon Shimon (Albert Lea, Minn./Albert Lea Senior) and Jonny Kasper (Pierz, Minn./Healy) teamed up in the 4x100.

Kasper was also victorious in the high jump with a leap of 1.88 meters (six feet, two inches).

"We knew going in we'd have to battle all weekend to pull it off," said UWS head coach Glen Drexler. "Our guys continued to

fight even when they were down. There were many times this weekend where we lost points or didn't take what we should have, but we had others pick us up time and time again.

"As it was at [UMAC] indoor [championships], it was a total team effort. We picked up a lot of eighth- and seventh-place finishes that meant a lot to us."

Superior earned a total of 13 points in both the shot put and discus throw with Tanner Lee (Siren, Wis./Siren) and Fauston Wirtz (Esko, Minn./Esko) each picking up points. Lee was sixth and eighth in the discus and shot, respectively, and Wirtz finished seventh in both events. Lee's discus throw

was 39.38 meters and his shot put was 12.12 meters. Wirtz tossed 38.33 meters in the discus and 12.29 in the shot.

Brett Goplen (Hugo, Minn./St. Croix Lutheran Academy) finished sixth in the high jump adding three more points to the event total on top of Kasper's win. Goplen leaped 1.73 meters (five feet, eight inches). He also earned a fourth-place finish in the 110-meter hurdles in 17.43.

The distance group collected another 10 points as Henry Seeb (Stillwater, Minn./Stillwater Area), Zach Mazurek (Bessemer, Mich./Bessemer) and Derrick Moe (Cloquet, Minn./Cloquet) went 3-4-8 in the 5,000-meter

run. Seeb posted a time of 15:59.38, Mazurek went 16:13.88 and Moe 16:33.74.

Finger, Mazurek and Rand Bieri (Cloquet, Minn./Cloquet) also scored in the 1,500. Finger was fifth in 4:13.08, Mazurek was sixth in 4:19.69 and Bieri eighth in 4:22.47.

Weston and Arntson finished third and sixth, respectively in the 400 meters in times of 50.76 and 51.96. Shimon was sixth in the 100 meters (11.48) and Brady Emstrom (Medford, Wis./Gilman) was eighth in the triple jump at 11.46 meters.

The 'Jackets next go to La Crosse on Friday May 10.