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Grand Valley State's Gabriella Mencotti Headlines Division II Conference Commissioners Association Women's Soccer All-America Team



RUSSELLVILLE, Ark. - Grand Valley State junior forward Gabriella Mencotti claimed the Ron Lenz National Player of the Year to headline the 2016 Division II Conference Commissioners Association Women's Soccer All-America Team.

Mencotti, joined 12 other student-athletes on an All-America first team that also featured fellow Lakers Marti Corby and Clare Carlson. Grand Valley State clinched its eighth-straight appearance to the semifinals of the NCAA DII Women's Soccer Championships. Corby became a four-time All-American.

The first-team also featured a of freshmen - Alimata Rabo from Southwestern Oklahoma State and West Florida's Marjorie Boilsen. Central Missouri goalkeeper Ana Dilkes and Roberts Wesleyan midfielder Bella Mitrevski earned All-America status for the third time in their career.

Bridgeport forward Idoia Agirre and Colorado School of Mines defender Emily Garnier garnered their second All-American accolades.

Adelphi midfielder Morgan Santoro, Carson-Newman forward Lauren Wade, Texas A&M-Commerce defender Vicky Back Texas A&M-Commerce and Western Washington defender Sierra Shugarts rounded out the D2CCA First-Team All-American Team.

Mencotti, a junior from Novi, Michigan, became the third Laker to earn the National Player of the Year award, joining Katy Tafler, who earned the distinction in 2006 and 2007, and Corby, who claimed the award last year. Mencotti leads all of the NCAA with 29 goals and 69 points.

The Ron Lenz National Player of the Year award was named for long-time South Dakota State sports information director Ron Lenz in 2008. Lenz was instrumental in the foundation of the NCAA Division II All-America program, which honors outstanding student-athletes across eight NCAA Division II sports.

Sports information directors from NCAA Division II schools and conferences selected the three Daktronics All-America teams. The process begins at the regional level with all first-team all-region picks advancing to the national ballot. A total of 53 student-athletes representing 29 different institutions filled out the three teams and the honorable mention squad.

The Division II Conference Commissioners Association encourages and promotes Division II athletics and high standards of sportsmanship as important elements of higher education. The CCA is a key communications link among the conferences as they discuss views, policies and regulations that impact Division II intercollegiate athletics and works closely with the NCAA as a communications channel to NCAA Division II member colleges and universities.



2016 Division II Conference Commissioners Association Women's Soccer All-America First Team

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
F	Idoia Agirre *	Bridgeport	Sr.	Legazpi, Spain
F	Gabriella Mencotti **	Grand Valley State	Jr.	Novi, Michigan
F	Alimata Rabo	Southwestern Oklahoma State	Fr.	Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
F	Lauren Wade	Carson-Newman	Sr.	Coleraine, Northern Ireland
MF	Marjorie Boilesen	West Florida	Fr.	Sao Paulo, Brazil
MF	Marti Corby ***	Grand Valley State	Sr.	Ada, Michigan
MF	Bella Mitrevski **	Roberts Wesleyan	Jr.	Rochester, New York
MF	Morgan Santoro	Adelphi	Sr.	Islip, New York
D	Vicky Back	Texas A&M-Commerce	Sr.	York, England
D	Clare Carlson *	Grand Valley State	Sr.	Ada, Michigan
D	Emily Garnier *	Colorado School of Mines	Jr.	Littleton, Colorado
D	Sierra Shugarts	Western Washington	Jr.	Federal Way, Washington
GK	Ana Dilkes **	Central Missouri	Jr.	Wichita, Kansas

2016 Ron Lenz National Player of the Year: Gabriella Mencotti, F, Jr., Grand Valley State

2016 Division II Conference Commissioners Association Women's Soccer All-America Second Team

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
F	Jayma Martin	Grand Valley State	Sr.	Pueblo, Colorado
F	Sandra Nabweteme	Southwestern Oklahoma State	Fr.	Kampala, Uganda
F	Katie O'Laughlin	UC San Diego	Jr.	Carlsbad, California
F	Ninfa Ramirez	Minot State	Sr.	Perris, California
MF	Kinsey Cichowitz	Lee	Sr.	Buena Vista, Colorado
MF	Bethany Sutherland *	Harding	So.	Orange, California
MF	Cassandra Wade	Columbus State	Jr.	Augusta, Georgia
MF	Emily Webster	Western Washington	Jr.	Bellingham, Washington
D	Meghan Berry	UC San Diego	Sr.	Austin, Texas
D	Emily Eldridge **	Central Missouri	Sr.	Bucyrus, Kansas
D	Hugrun Elvarsdottir	Columbus State	Jr.	Gardabaer, Iceland
D	Emily Vogler	West Florida	Sr.	Lynn Haven, Florida
GK	Katie Mattingly	Truman State	Jr.	Perryville, Missouri

2016 Division II Conference Commissioners Association Women's Soccer All-America Third Team

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
F	Olivia Jarrell *	Columbus State	So.	Saint Augustine, Florida
F	Jada Scott	Central Missouri	So.	Bel Aire, Kansas
F	Kendra Stauffer *	Grand Valley State	Sr.	Alto, Michigan
F	Rachel VanHorn	North Georgia	Jr.	Marietta, Georgia
MF	Jordyn McNutt *	UC San Diego	Jr.	San Diego, California
MF	Maddie Mohr	Kutztown	Fr.	Elizabethtown, Pa.
MF	Megan Woolley *	Central Missouri	Jr.	Kansas City, Kansas
MF	Nicola Wothington	Bridgeport	Sr.	Chorley, England
D	Flo Gamby *	Bridgeport	Sr.	Goffs Oak, England
D	Hannah Gombos	East Stroudsburg	Sr.	Schnecksville, Pa.
D	Shannon Quinn	Grand Valley State	Jr.	Grand Rapids, Michigan
D	Emily Townsend	Colorado School of Mines	So.	Katy, Texas
GK	Itzel Gonzalez	UC San Diego	Sr.	Tijuana, Mexico

* - Indicates Previous Selection



2016 Division II Conference Commissioners Association Women's Soccer Honorable Mention

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
F	Sydnee Carroll	McKendree	Sr.	Millstadt, Illinois
F	Arielle Kabangu **	Saint Leo	Sr.	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
F	Mary Reilly	UC San Diego	So.	Chula Vista, California
F	Kaley Ward	West Florida	Sr.	Saint Cloud, Florida
MF	Caitlyn Jobanek	Western Washington	Sr.	Springfield, Oregon
MF	Kiera Bocchino	UC San Diego	Sr.	Laguna Hills, California
MF	Julia Harrison *	St. Edward's	Sr.	Tyler, Texas
MF	Sara Helgadottir *	West Florida	Sr.	Grindavik, Iceland
D	Melita Sutherland *	Harding	Sr.	Orange, California
D	Hayley Patterson	Azusa Pacific	Jr.	Colorado Springs, Colorado
D	Kayla Hamner	Central Missouri	Jr.	Shawnee, Kansas
D	Makenzie Brito	UC San Diego	Jr.	Granite Bay, California
GK	Katelyn Burkhart	West Florida	Jr.	Pace, Fla.

2016 Division II Conference Commissioners Association Women's Soccer All-Region First Teams

EAST

F	Idoia Agirre	Bridgeport
F	Shannon Colligan	Bridgeport
F	Jeanine Nunez	Adelphi
F	Brianna Rock	Holy Family
MF	Bella Mitrevski	Roberts Wesleyan
MF	Hanne Neby	Bridgeport
MF	* Morgan Santoro	Adelphi
MF	Nicola Wothington	Bridgeport
D	Kristin Brandman	LIU Post
D	Flo Gamby	Bridgeport
D	Morgan LaDuca	Georgian Court
D	Drew Ribadeneyra	Pace
GK	Jennifer Wendelius	Bridgeport

SOUTHEAST

F	Lauren Wade	Carson-Newman
F	Rachel VanHorn	North Georgia
F	Olivia Jarrell	Columbus State
F	Jules Herrity	Carson-Newman
MF	Cassandra Wade	Columbus State
MF	Maria Marti Bartis	Clayton State
MF	Holly Rawcliffe	Limestone College
MF	Sophia Matonak	North Georgia
D	Hugrun Elvarsdottir	Columbus State
D	Jessica Allen	North Georgia
D	Ashton Bowles	Limestone College
D	Megan Gi	North Georgia
GK	Meredith Bailey	Limestone College

ATLANTIC

F	Alex Pickett	East Stroudsburg
F	Marieke Kramer	Charleston
F	Taylor Lewis	Gannon
F	Alaina Curry	Kutztown
MF	* Scarlet Walsh	West Chester
MF	Maddie Mohr	Kutztown
MF	Shea Neal	East Stroudsburg
MF	Ashley Mutkus	Edinboro
D	Hannah Gombos	East Stroudsburg
D	Katie Miller	Kutztown
D	Carly Henry	West Chester
D	Alice Broadbent	Charleston
GK	Jules Harris	East Stroudsburg

MIDWEST

F	* Gabriella Mencotti	Grand Valley State
F	Kendra Stauffer	Grand Valley State
F	Sydnee Carroll	McKendree
F	Jayma Martin	Grand Valley State
MF	Marti Corby	Grand Valley State
MF	Jill Bohling	Ursuline
MF	Lauren Holder	Bellarmine
MF	Brianna Sanborn	Walsh
D	Clare Carlson	Grand Valley State
D	Shannon Quinn	Grand Valley State
D	Caity Schmitt	Truman State
D	Jessica Smelcer	Rockhurst
GK	Katie Mattingly	Truman State



2016 Daktronics NCAA Division II Women's Soccer All-Region First Teams

SOUTH

F	Kaley Ward	West Florida
F	Arielle Kabangu	Saint Leo
F	Summer Lanter	Lee
F	TeMia Pride	West Alabama
MF	* Marjorie Boilesen	West Florida
MF	Kinsey Cichowitz	Lee
MF	Sara Helgadottir	West Florida
MF	Kirsten Reilly	West Alabama
D	Emily Vogler	West Florida
D	Svenja Burkhardt	West Florida
D	Selena Jaimes	Saint Leo
D	Caitlin Hayes	Mississippi College
GK	Katelyn Burkhardt	West Florida

CENTRAL

F	* Alimata Rabo	Southwestern Oklahoma State
F	Sandra Nabweteme	Southwestern Oklahoma State
F	Ninfa Ramirez	Minot State
F	Jada Scott	Central Missouri
MF	Bethany Sutherland	Harding
MF	Megan Woolley	Central Missouri
MF	Kiana Nickel	Minnesota State
MF	Kat Roe	Lindenwood
D	Emily Eldridge	Central Missouri
D	Kayla Hamner	Central Missouri
D	Tessa Woodcock	Ouachita
D	Melita Sutherland	Harding
GK	Ana Dilkes	Central Missouri

SOUTH CENTRAL

F	Jennifer Boudreau	St. Edward's
F	Savannah Grasser	Texas A&M-Commerce
F	Haley Knesek	Lubbock Christian
F	Demi Tsambasis	Angelo State
MF	Julia Harrison	St. Edward's
MF	Khadira Debesette	West Texas A&M
MF	Tori Rinsem	Regis
MF	Chelsea Martin	Texas Woman's
D	* Emily Garnier	Colorado School of Mines
D	Vicky Back	Texas A&M-Commerce
D	Emily Townsend	Colorado School of Mines
D	Jenna Lipscomb	St. Edward's
GK	Lorrie Santoy	St. Edward's

WEST

F	Hannah Huesers	Seattle Pacific
F	Darian McCloy	Dixie State
F	* Katie O'Laughlin	UC San Diego
F	Mary Reilly	UC San Diego
M	Kiera Bocchino	UC San Diego
M	Caitlyn Jobanek	Western Washington
M	Jordyn McNutt	UC San Diego
M	Emily Webster	Western Washington
D	Makenzie Brito	UC San Diego
D	Meghan Berry	UC San Diego
D	Hayley Patterson	Azusa Pacific
D	Sierra Shugarts	Western Washington
GK	Itzel Gonzalez	UC San Diego

* Indicates Region Player of the Year