

# MLC SportsPage



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## Women's Soccer Clinches UMAC Tourney Berth

The women's soccer team clinched a berth in the UMAC Postseason Tournament over the weekend despite a tough loss to conference-leading Northwestern on October 21.

The Knights are currently tied for third place in the conference with 19 points thanks to a 6-3-1 UMAC record.

Defense continues to lead the way for MLC. The Knights have allowed 0.8 goals per game in conference play, with three of those goals coming on penalty kicks. Sophomore **Morgan Hill** (*LPS*) leads the team with five goals and three assists during the team's ten UMAC games.



Hill fights for possession

## Grev Reaches 1,000 Digs Milestone



Senior outside hitter **Kira Grev** (*SCLHS*) continued to put her name in the MLC volleyball program record books when she recorded her 1,000<sup>th</sup> career dig in the team's match against Minnesota Morris on October 17.

Grev is the tenth player in program history to reach the milestone, and also became just the third MLC player with at least 1,000 career kills and digs, joining former MLC stars Lisa Gawrisch ('00) and Rebecca Engelbrecht ('13) as members in that exclusive club.

On Saturday, October 21, Grev and the Knights clinched a berth in the UMAC Postseason Tournament with a three-set sweep of Northland College. This marks the eighth straight season the Knights have reached the conference tournament.

Grev on the attack

## Cross Country Ready for UMAC Championships

The men's and women's cross country teams have worked all season in preparation for this weekend's UMAC Championships.

### Upcoming Events at MLC

- 10/25 SO @Bethany Lutheran  
VB v. Bethany Lutheran
- 10/28 XC @UMAC Championships  
FB @Crown  
SO @Northland  
VB v. Northwestern

The men tied for first place in the UMAC Preseason Poll following last year's second-place finish at the event, and return three All-UMAC performers in **Ben Bitter** (*WISCO*), **Ryan Gurgel** (*KMLHS*), and **Justin Wilkens** (*Haymarket VA*).

The women were picked sixth in the preseason poll and are led by first-year runner **Leah Miller** (*LPS*) and junior **Sydney Cody** (*Lakeside*).



Miller sets the pace