WCHA TOP 10 PLAYERS OF THE FIRST 10 YEARS

The Women’s League of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association honored its ‘Top 10 Players of the First 10 Years’ in conjunction with the league’s 10th anniversary campaign in 2008-09. The honorees included Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award winners, WCHA Players of the Year, All-Americans, and Olympic Gold Medalists.

The University of Minnesota, the University of Minnesota Duluth and the University of Wisconsin, the teams which have won national championships and turned the Western Collegiate Hockey Association into the best league in women’s hockey, each placed three players on the WCHA’s Top 10 Players of the First 10 years, as announced by the league office on Feb. 26, 2009. The WCHA marked its 10th season of women’s hockey in 2008-09, with the first season of league play coming in 1999-2000.

The top ten players from the first ten years were:

Sara Bauer, F, Wisconsin (2003-07)
Tessa Bonhomme, D, Ohio State (2003-08)
Ronda Curtin, D, Minnesota (1999-2003)
Natalie Darwitz, F, Minnesota (2002-05)
Molly Engstrom, D, Wisconsin (2002-05)
Caroline Ouellette, F, Minnesota Duluth (2002-05)
Maria Rooth, F, Minnesota Duluth (1999-2003)
Jessie Vetter, G, Wisconsin (2005-08)
Krissy Wendell, F, Minnesota (2002-05)