

VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA TEAM

S E L E C T E D B Y C O S I D A

2002 VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA UNIVERSITY DIVISION BASEBALL TEAM

First Team						
Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Lance Cormier	Alabama	Sr.	Lafayette, La	3.56	Finance
P	Randy Corn	The Citadel	Sr.	Blythwood, S.C.	3.89	Physical Education
C	Derek Johnson	Columbia	Sr.	Pompton Plains, N.J.	3.69	Political Science
(tie) C	Chris Westervelt	Stetson	So.	Batesville, Ark.	3.94	Computer Info System
IF	Matt Deckman	Ball State	Gr.	Parker City, Ind.	3.93	Exercise Science
IF	Mike DeRenzo	Penn State	Sr.	Murrysville, Pa.	3.76	Computer Engineering
IF	David Licini	New Mexico State	Sr.	Granger, Ind.	3.95	Biochemistry
IF	Ryan Schade	Western Carolina	Sr.	Lewisburg, Pa.	3.85	Sport Management
OF	Tom Beechem	Dayton	Jr.	Park Hills, Ky.	4.00	Mechanical Engineering
OF	Charles Bilezikjian	St. John's	Sr.	Staten Island, N.Y.	3.89	Education
OF	Jeff Leise	Nebraska	Jr.	Omaha, Neb.	3.85	Psychology
DH	Todd Crawford	Seton Hall	Sr.	Millersville, Pa.	3.83	Diplomacy & Int'l Relations

Second Team						
Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Shane Komine	Nebraska	Sr.	Honolulu, Hawaii	3.21	Sociology
P	Sam Narron	East Carolina	Jr.	Goldsboro, N.C.	3.75	Biology
(tie)P	Steve Rowe	Texas Tech	Sr.	Houston, Texas	3.71	Finance
IF	Matthew Boggs	Georgia Tech	Sr.	Dalton, Ga.	3.31	Textile Engineering
IF	Andrew Bushey	Notre Dame	Sr.	Boardman, Ohio	3.40	Finance
IF	Chris O'Riordan	Stanford	Sr.	San Diego, Calif.	3.47	Political Science
IF	Jim Swenson	Elon	Sr.	Richmond, Va.	3.64	Computer Science
OF	Gregg Davies	Towson	Sr.	Olney, Md.	3.47	Business Management
OF	Josh Phifer	Air Force	Jr.	Torrington, Wyo.	3.85	Operations Research
OF	David Stone	Virginia	Sr.	Frederick, Md.	3.91	Biology
DH	Jason Cooper	Stanford	Jr.	Moses Lake, Wash.	3.37	Anthropological Science

Third Team						
Pos.	Name	School	Year	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	John Corcoran	Butler	Sr.	Minooka, Ill.	3.26	Secondary Education
C	Ran Prince	McNeese State	Jr.	Sulphur, La.	3.47	Health & Human Perform.
IF	Adam Howes	Air Force	Jr.	Phoenix, Ariz.	3.55	Economics
IF	James Jurries	Tulane	Sr.	Lake Jackson, Tex.	3.31	Business
IF	Eric Rodland	Gonzaga	Jr.	Snohomish, Wash.	3.70	Mechanical Engineering
IF	Travis Welsch	Northern Iowa	Sr.	Muscataine, Iowa	3.49	Management
OF	Josh Brummett	Belmont	Jr.	Owensboro, Kent.	3.94	Business
OF	Tim Frend	Davidson	Sr.	Cumberland Foreside, Maine	3.52	Economics
OF	Eddie Scott	Albany	Sr.	Kingston, N.Y.	3.65	Psychology
(tie) OF	Brian Stavisky	Notre Dame	Jr.	Port Allegany, Pa.	3.52	Business Management
DH	Beau Hearod	Alabama	Jr.	Jennings, La.	3.75	Finance

Verizon Academic All-American of the Year: Jeff Leise, Nebraska
***** Team is for release on Tuesday, June 4 *****

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DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS & RECREATION

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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY NAMES THREE ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACHES Ryan McCarthy, Jeff Hafley and Tyrone Bell and Join Bob Ford's Staff

ALBANY, N.Y. – University at Albany head football coach Bob Ford announced today the hiring of **Ryan McCarthy, Jeff Hafley** and **Tyrone Bell** as assistant coaches. McCarthy will assist with the offensive line, while Hafley will coach the defensive ends. Bell will work with the outside linebackers.

McCarthy, 23, served as the quarterbacks coach at Siena College last year, and recruited a four-state region, including New York and Massachusetts. McCarthy was an honorable mention All-New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) quarterback at SUNY-Cortland. He passed for 2,266 yards and 13 touchdowns as a senior, and established a school record with 223 completions. In addition, he was named the ECAC Division III offensive player of the week. A native of Wilder, Vt., McCarthy received a B.S. in physical education in 2001. He earned all-state recognition in football, basketball and baseball as a high school athlete.

Hafley, 23, coached the running backs at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Massachusetts last season, and also served as special teams coordinator and kicking coach. He recruited the areas of northern New Jersey, Connecticut and western Massachusetts. Hafley, who hails from Montvale, N.J., was a four-year wide receiver at Siena College from 1997-2000. He began his coaching career at his alma mater while recovering from three separate surgeries that kept him off the field. In the spring of 2001, Hafley organized and set up spring practice plans for Siena coach Jay Bateman. He graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in history, and was a national honor society and dean's list student.

Bell, 22, previously was an undergraduate assistant football coach at Towson University, where he worked with the inside linebackers. He also assisted with the punt cover and punt return units, and was the junior varsity defensive coordinator. A two-year starter at inside linebacker, Bell earned three varsity letters with the Division I-AA Towson program. Bell was second on the team with 80 tackles as a senior in 2000, when the Tigers posted a 7-4 record. He finished his career with 161 tackles. Bell, a native of Lexington Park, Md., received a B.S. in sport management with a minor in business management earlier this month.

The Great Danes, who finished with a 7-3 record last year, begin their fourth season as a member of the Northeast Conference in the fall.





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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY NAMES CRAIG McVEY HEAD CROSS COUNTRY COACH

ALBANY, N.Y. – University at Albany Director of Athletics and Recreation Dr. Lee McElroy announced today the hiring of Craig McVey as head men's and women's cross country coach. McVey will continue to serve as UAlbany's associate head track & field coach, and will work with the distance runners and the long jump and triple jump athletes.

McVey, 48, has spent the last five years with the Albany track program, where the Great Danes have set ten school records in the jumps and pole vault under his direction. UAlbany athletes have qualified for the IC4A and/or ECAC championships in each of the last five indoor/outdoor seasons.

From 1988-94, McVey was the head cross country and track coach at Hartwick College. He coached 16 All-New York Region cross country runners, and Hartwick athletes set 14 course records. His track teams eclipsed 82 school records, plus produced NCAA Division III All-Americans and 22 New York Collegiate individual champions. McVey was also the head cross country coach at The College of Saint Rose in 1996-97. He led the Golden Knights to the New York Collegiate Athletic Conference (NYCAC) women's championship, while the men finished second. As track coach, McVey's St. Rose team placed second at the CTC indoor championships.

McVey began his collegiate coaching career as an assistant track & field coach at Kansas State University, his alma mater, in 1983. KSU athletes captured 18 Big Eight Conference titles during that period. For three years, he conducted year-round training programs for the men's and women's middle distance runners. In addition, he was the head coach for the KSU-Manhattan Track Club. From 1980-83, McVey served as cross country and track coach at Northern Heights High School in Allen, Kansas.

McVey received his M.S. in physical education with emphasis in exercise physiology and athletic administration from Kansas State in 1985. He has a B.S. in secondary physical education with a minor in health. As a KSU undergraduate, McVey was a member of two Big Eight Conference indoor track title teams, and the 1975 Big Eight cross country championship squad.

A native of Manhattan, Kan., McVey was the director/head coach for USA East Track & Field, where he worked with cross country and track athletes during the mid-1990s. He also served as a games committee member for the NCAA outdoor track & field championships for three years, and is a past president of the NYSWCAA Track & Field Governing Committee.

UAlbany, an NCAA Division I cross country/track & field program since 1999, recently completed its first year as a member of the America East Conference.

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ALEX BARNHILL LEAVES UALBANY BASKETBALL PROGRAM

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany basketball coach Will Brown announced today that junior forward Alex Barnhill has left the program.

Barnhill, a 6-foot-4, 215-pound athlete from Schenectady, N.Y., contributed 2.5 points and 3.5 rebounds in 13 games off the bench last season. He missed the first half of the year following complications from a stomach hernia procedure and a knee injury.

“I appreciate Alex’s contributions to the team during my short tenure as head coach,” Brown said. “However, he has voluntarily chosen to leave the program, and I wish him the best as he moves on with his life.”

Barnhill transferred into the UAlbany program from Canisius College following the completion of the 1998-99 season. He became eligible under NCAA transfer rules following the 2000 fall semester. Barnhill was a starter in 12 of 17 games played as a sophomore, and averaged 7.8 points and 5.8 rebounds.

Albany finished its first season as a member of the America East Conference with an 8-20 record.

ALEX BARNHILL'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP-GS	FGM-FGA	FG%	3FG-FGA	FG%	FTM-FTA	FT%	REB/AVG.	AS	TO	BS	ST	PTS/AVG.
2001-02	13-0	11-33	.333	0-1	.000	10-13	.769	46/ 3.5	4	11	1	3	32/ 2.5
2000-01	17-12	55-138	.399	2-9	.222	21-31	.677	98/ 5.8	21	21	7	22	133/ 7.8
Totals	30-12	66-171	.386	2-10	.200	31-44	.705	144/ 4.8	25	32	8	25	165/ 5.5



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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ANNOUNCES 2001-02 ATHLETES OF THE YEAR Chris Phillis and Amy Di Micco Earn Male and Female Awards

ALBANY, N.Y. – **Chris Phillis**, an All-America football player, and **Amy Di Micco**, a Regional All-America field hockey standout, have been chosen as the University at Albany's 2001-02 Male and Female Athletes of the Year, as Director of Athletics Lee McElroy announced today. The athletes were selected in voting by the head coaches of UAlbany's 19-sport intercollegiate athletics program.

Phillis, a senior split end from Saratoga Springs, N.Y., was named to the *Football Gazette* Division I-AA Mid-Major All-America squad as a second-team selection for the second straight season. A first-team All-Northeast Conference choice, Phillis caught 42 passes for 609 yards and six touchdowns. Phillis, who received the team's MVP and top receiver awards, averaged 8.2 yards per punt return, and was sixth among the NEC leaders in all-purpose yards.

Phillis, who was voted to the All-NEC squad three consecutive years, established a school record with 20 career touchdown receptions, and tied another mark with seven career 100-yard receiving games. Phillis, a team captain as a junior and senior, is second on UAlbany's all-time lists in receptions (124) and receiving yards (2,100) and ranks fourth in all-purpose yards with 2,773. He set the single-game standard with 251 receiving yards against Robert Morris in 2000.

Di Micco, a senior from South Salem, N.Y., was voted to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association All-Mideast Region All-America second team, and played in the 2001 NFHCA Division I North-South Senior All-Star Game. Di Micco, a second-team All-America East Conference midfielder, led the Great Danes in scoring with six goals and four assists for 16 points.

A two-time team captain, Di Micco was a starter in all 66 games played as a collegian. She finished her career tied for second on the school's all-time scoring list with 99 points (41 goals, 17 assists). Di Micco, who served as president of UAlbany's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, recently was awarded an ECAC Merit Medal as the school's top senior female student-athlete.

University at Albany Athletes of the Year

2000-01: *Male*: Michael Oliva (Baseball), *Female*: Dawn Di Micco (Basketball/Lacrosse)

1999-00: *Male*: Todd Cetnar (Basketball), *Female*: Megan Buchanan (Basketball)

1998-99: *Male*: Steve Checksfield (Football/Baseball);

Female: Kelly Poynton (Softball) & Xiomara Davila Diaz (Track & Field)

1997-98: *Male*: Joe Savino (Football), *Female*: Rafaela Nikas (Lacrosse/Volleyball)

1996-97: *Male*: Jomo Forrester (Soccer/Track) & Anthony Vitti (Football),

Female: Tonya Dodge (Cross Country/Track)

1995-96: *Male*: Dennis King (Cross Country/Track), *Female*: Debbie August (Lacrosse)

1994-95: *Male*: Jeffrey York (Track & Field), *Female*: Melinda Cook-Carpenter (Softball)

1993-94: *Male*: Jason Graber (Basketball), *Female*: Lynda Nealis (Basketball)

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UALBANY'S JESSICA WALTON ON ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT I TEAM

Jamaica, N.Y. – University at Albany's **Jessica Walton** (Fonda-Fultonville H.S.) has been named to the Verizon University Division Academic All-District I Women's Track & Field/Cross Country Team, as chosen by CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America).

Walton, a second-team selection, posted a 3.75 cumulative grade point average in business administration with an emphasis in management and marketing.

A native of Fonda, N.Y., Walton earned All-America East Conference recognition in cross country by placing seventh at the 2001 conference championships. A sophomore who had four top-10 finishes last fall, she was 10th at the ECAC Championships and 48th at the NCAA Northeast Regional. Walton, who missed the indoor and outdoor track season due to a leg injury, received the team's MVP award for the second straight year.

Walton served as one of two student representatives on the University's Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Board (IAAB), and was a member of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee. A Dean's List student, she was named to the Athletic Director's Academic Honor Roll.

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VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT TEAM
2002 WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD/CROSS COUNTRY – DISTRICT I

First Team – University Division

Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
Joanelle Bailey-Chandler	Northeastern	Jr.	New Rochelle, N.Y.	3.63	Civil Engineering
Marissa Colburn	Providence	Sr.	Wethersfield, Conn.	3.99	Education
Kate Gall	Providence	Sr.	Cumberland, Md.	3.92	Social Work
Emily Hogan	Holy Cross	Sr.	Northboro, Mass.	3.79	Biology/Pre-Med
Kate O'Neill	Yale	Jr.	Milton, Mass.	3.59	History
Laura O'Neill	Yale	Jr.	Milton, Mass.	3.68	Anthropology
Heather O'Rourke	Fordham	Grad	Norwood, Mass.	3.875	Business Administration
Katie Ryan	Boston College	Sr.	Elmira, N.Y.	3.59	Information Systems/Mathematics
Nicole Tremblay	Connecticut	Sr.	Warwick, R.I.	3.696	Graphic Design
Natalie Whelan	Cornell	Jr.	Bedford, N.Y.	3.5824	Human Development

VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT TEAM
2002 WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD/CROSS COUNTRY – DISTRICT I

Second Team – University Division

Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
Nicole Binette	Maine	Sr.	Biddeford, Maine	3.78	Nursing
Sarah Casilli	Connecticut	So.	Jamaica Plain, Mass.	3.665	Human Development/ Family Relations
Kirsten Cerasi	Manhattan	Sr.	Eastchester, N.Y.	3.595	Physical Therapy
Kristin Cisowski	Massachusetts	Sr.	Salem, N.H.	3.47	Civil Engineering
Danielle Donovan	Maine	Grad	Presque Isle, Maine	3.45 G/ 3.44 UG	Engineering Science
Liza Grudzinski	Marist	Sr.	Branford, Conn.	3.435	Psychology
Kristal Kostiew	Vermont	So.	Northwood, N.H.	3.50	Physical Education
Michele Palmer	Vermont	So.	Plymouth, Mass.	3.74	Environmental Studies
Faith Thompson	Buffalo	So.	Niagara Falls, N.Y.	3.929	Psychology
Jessica Walton	Albany	So.	Fonda, N.Y.	3.696	Graphic Design
Theresa Williams	Northeastern	Sr.	Dorchester, Mass.	3.34	Business

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FOUR UALBANY BASEBALL PLAYERS NAMED ALL-AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE

Boston, Mass. – Second baseman **Mike Grasso** (Bishop Maginn) and center fielder **Eddie Scott** lead a group of four University at Albany players who have been chosen to the 2002 All-America East Conference baseball squad, as announced today by the conference office. Grasso and Scott were named first-team selections, while right-handed pitcher **Steve Emmerthal** and right fielder **Tony Vallone** (Greenwich) earned second-team honors. UAlbany and Vermont tied for the second-highest number of conference all-star choices.

Grasso, a junior, led the Great Danes in stolen bases (28), runs (44) and hits (63), while batting .344 from the leadoff spot in the lineup. He is second among the America East stolen base leaders, and his total shattered the program's single-season standard. Grasso placed among the top-eight in four conference offensive categories.

Scott was one of Albany's best all-around performers as he tied for the team lead in triples (3) and finished second in runs (38), hits (58) and stolen bases (15). One of four Great Danes to start all 50 contests, he added a .339 batting average, 27 RBI, nine doubles and two home runs. Scott committed two errors in 122 opportunities and was the only senior chosen to the first team.

Emmerthal established himself as the ace of the Albany pitching staff in his first season with the program. The sophomore right-hander is third among the America East leaders in victories with a 6-1 record. His 2.38 earned run average ranks 31st nationally. Emmerthal posted four wins against conference opponents, including two shutouts, and finished the season with a 42/6 strikeout-to-walk ratio.

Vallone, a freshman right fielder, also earned all-conference recognition and a spot on the America East All-Rookie Team. He led the Great Danes with a .351 batting average, and placed fourth among the conference's top hitters. Vallone missed a 13-game stretch due to a dislocated left thumb early in the season, but recovered with 18 RBI in 27 contests after the return.

Albany finished with a 20-30 overall record and tied for sixth in the America East Conference standings.

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UALBANY GAINS TEN FIELD HOCKEY COMMITMENTS FOR 2002-03

Albany, N.Y.—University at Albany field hockey coach Deborah Fiore announced today that ten athletes have committed to play for the Great Danes in the 2002-03 academic year. UAlbany will begin its second season in the America East Conference next fall.

"I'm very excited to coach this group," Fiore said. "They bring a diversified pool of talent and promising leadership qualities to our squad. Several of the newcomers have the ability to make immediate contributions. We've had a very productive spring. My staff, our players and I welcome this freshman class to join us in our mission to establish our program as a strong contender in the America East."

Defender **Devon Switzer** (Penfield Central/Rochester, N.Y.) was a three-time All-Monroe County first-team selection and earned All-State recognition as a senior. As a senior captain, she guided the Patriots to county titles in 1999 and 2000, and captained the Western squad at the Empire State Games in 2001.

Joanna DaLuze (Harwich/Harwich, Mass.) captained her team to a South Coast Conference title and an appearance in the Division 2 South final. DaLuze earned first-team All-SCC honors, leading a defense that surrendered just five goals all season. She was previously a two-time Cape Cod League all-star, and was team and league MVP as a junior. Harwich finished the 2001 season at 18-1-3 overall.

Mahopac's **Tina Bryson** (Mahopac H.S.) led her team in scoring with 21 goals and 13 assists as a senior, including two goals in a state semifinal win over East Islip. She was selected to *The Journal News* All-Star team, *North County News* first team, and New York State All-Tournament Team en route to leading the Indians to the NYS Class A championship with an 18-1-1 record. Bryson's cousin, Amy Di Micco, earned second-team Division I All-America and America East Conference honors as a captain on the UAlbany field hockey team.

Forward **Shelley Gebhardt** (Fairport/Fairport, N.Y.) was the leading scorer in Section V during the 2001 season, earning All-Monroe County first-team honors for the second consecutive season. Gebhardt, who was also an All-Section performer in gymnastics, guided the Red Raiders to the sectional final as a junior and played on the Western Region team in the 2001 Empire State Games.

Theresa Henson and **Michelle Guerin**, a pair of midfielder/defenders, each played for Carmel High School in Carmel, N.Y. As juniors, they led their squad to a Section I title and a spot in the 2000 NYS Class A title game. In 2001, the team co-captains were all-section and all-state honorees as the Rams finished 14-3 overall. Guerin participated in the 2000 National Futures Under-16 Tournament as a member of the Syracuse region squad.

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ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2-2

Horace Greeley's **Michele DeCuffa** (Chappaqua, N.Y.) will provide needed goaltending depth for the Great Danes. DeCuffa, a *Journal News* honorable mention selection in 2001, guided her team to a 9-5-2 record and a berth in sectional play, where they lost to Walter Panas High in double overtime, 2-1.

Forward **Brooke Barton**, of Endwell, N.Y., scored 16 goals and added four assists while captaining Maine-Endwell to the Section IV tournament. Barton was a first-team All-Section IV choice, ranked among the Division I scoring leaders, and was named to the sectional all-tournament team.

Abby Frisbie (Spencer-VanEtten/Spencer, N.Y.), a four-year letterwinner for the Panthers, scored 16 career goals and added nine assists. She earned three Interscholastic Athletic Conference all-star nominations and helped her team to the 1998 Section IV, Class C championship. **Sarah Potter** (Windham/Wilimantic, Conn.) was a two-time All-Connecticut Class M first-team selection.

2002 University at Albany Field Hockey Commitments

Name	Pos.	Ht.	High School/Hometown
Brooke Barton	For.	5-4	Maine-Endwell/Endwell, N.Y.
Tina Bryson	For.	5-4	Mahopac/Mahopac, N.Y.
Joanna DaLuze	M/D	5-6	Harwich/Harwich, Mass.
Michele DeCuffa	Glk.	5-6	Horace Greeley/Chappaqua, N.Y.
Abby Frisbie	M/F	5-7	Spencer-VanEtten/Spencer, N.Y.
Shelley Gebhardt	For.	5-6	Fairport/Fairport, N.Y.
Michelle Guerin	M/D	5-2	Carmel/Carmel, N.Y.
Theresa Henson	M/D	5-1	Carmel/Carmel, N.Y.
Sarah Potter	M/F	5-9	Windham/Wilimantic, Conn.
Devon Switzer	Def.	5-6	Penfield Central/Rochester, N.Y.

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UALBANY'S 4x100 RELAY TIES FOR 13th AT IC4A TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

Princeton, N.J. – University at Albany's 4x100-meter relay tied for 13th place with a season-best time of 41.85 seconds at the 126th annual IC4A Outdoor Track & Field Championship on Saturday afternoon at Princeton University's William Weaver Stadium. The three-day meet concludes on Sunday.

The UAlbany relay of **Jesse Bennett, Alix Rodriques, Kenrick McBean** and **Dustin Wilson** tied with Columbia in the standings by sprinting six-hundredths of a second better than their previous best effort at the Adidas Raleigh Relays in March.

Paul Roche (Niskayuna) finished 21st in the 110-meter high hurdles, while Albany's 4x800-meter relay was 22nd overall. **Adam Rice** was timed in 9:30.31 in placing 24th in the 3000-meter steeplechase.

At the 19th ECAC Track & Field Championships, freshman **Natasha Bermudez** ended up in 17th place in the women's hammer competition with a throw of 129-feet, 10-inches. **Tequirra Cox** was 20th in 100-meter dash preliminaries with a time of 12.46 seconds and failed to advance the finals.

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EMIL BOVE ON VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT I AT-LARGE TEAM

Center Valley, Pa. – University at Albany's **Emil Bove** has been named to the Verizon University Division Academic All-District I Men's At-Large Team, as selected by CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America).

Bove, a first-team selection, has a 4.00 cumulative grade point average in a dual major of public policy and economics. A junior co-captain on the UAlbany lacrosse squad, he was a 16-game starter as a long-stick midfielder. Bove, who was third on the team in ground balls with 49, helped the Great Danes win the America East Conference regular-season title and reach the postseason tournament championship. Albany ranked 11th nationally in scoring defense at 8.06 goals per game.

A native of Seneca Falls, N.Y., Bove is a member of the school's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and is currently serving an internship with the New York State Energy & Development Authority. Bove, a Presidential Scholar and Dean's List student, has worked with the Capital Region Big Brothers & Big Sisters Mentor Program.

Bove is one of 10 student-athletes on the District I team, and that group will be placed on the national ballot. Results of the voting will be announced on June 11.

AMY DI MICCO EARNS SECOND TEAM ALL-DISTRICT I RECOGNITION

Amherst, Mass. – **Amy Di Micco**, a senior captain on the UAlbany women's field hockey team, was chosen to the Verizon University Division Academic All-District I Women's At-Large second team. Di Micco posted a 3.82 cumulative GPA in communication with a minor in business administration.

Di Micco, who recently received the school's Presidential Scholar-Athlete and ECAC Merit Medal awards, served as president of UAlbany's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. She was voted to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association National Academic Team for the third straight year, and received the Presidential Undergraduate Leadership Award.

A native of South Salem, N.Y., Di Micco played in the 2001 NFHCA Division I North-South Senior All-Star Game and was a second team All-Mideast Region and All-America East Conference selection. She finished her career ranked second on the school's all-time scoring list with 99 points (41 goals, 17 assists.).

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SHARON MAJORS SIGNS TO PLAY BASKETBALL FOR UALBANY

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany women's basketball coach Trina Thomas Patterson announced today that **Sharon Majors** has signed a national letter of intent to play for the Great Danes in 2002-03.

Majors, a 6-foot-1 power forward from Cranford, N.J., averaged 16 points and 11 rebounds as a senior at Cranford High School. She led the Lady Cougars to a semifinal appearance in the North Jersey Section II, Group 3 playoffs and their first sectional tournament victory in eight seasons. Majors also participated in the 24th Annual New Jersey Scholastic Coaches Association (NJSCA) North-South All-Star Game at Monmouth University.

A two-time All-Union County second-team selection, Majors posted averages of 13.1 points and 12.5 rebounds during her junior year, while shooting 58 percent from the field. She was a four-year starter at Cranford and helped the Lady Cougars win the Watchung Hills Conference championship as a sophomore.

UAlbany previously signed **Jen Schumacher**, a 5-foot-8 guard from Lisle, N.Y. (Whitney Point H.S.) during the early recruiting period last November. The Great Danes completed their first season in the America East Conference in 2001-02.



UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY NAMES RICK COE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

ALBANY, N.Y. – University at Albany Director of Athletics and Recreation Dr. Lee McElroy announced today the hiring of Rick Coe as associate director of athletics. Coe, who spent the last two years as an independent consultant in the financial planning and insurance industry, will manage athletic business operations and have administrative oversight for various sports programs.

Coe administered all business and fiscal affairs and served as chief financial officer for the department of athletics at American University in Washington, D.C. from 1989-2000. He developed, implemented, and monitored automated systems for financial operations and accounting. Coe also administered ticket office operations, and served as the department's chief personnel officer. In addition, he was a member of the NCAA Division I self-study steering committee.

In the 1980s, Coe worked as a consultant for North Carolina Amateur Sports, where he coordinated financial, marketing and ticket operations for hosting national championship events in swimming, synchronized swimming and diving. He also spent four years with the United States Sports Academy in Daphne, Alabama. Coe handled administration and finance for international operations, but also worked in the roles of assistant director of development and business manager.

A native of New Cumberland, W. Va., Coe served an internship with USA Basketball in Colorado Springs, Colo. early in his career. He coordinated the 1983 National Amateur Men's Tournament, and was a staff member for the USA Men's Pan American Games squad which won a gold medal with Michael Jordan and Sam Perkins as team members.

Coe, 45, received his M.S. in physical education with emphasis in athletic administration from Western Illinois University in 1984. He has a B.S. in business administration with an accounting specialization from West Liberty State College in West Virginia.

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UALBANY RENEWS AGREEMENT WITH NORTHEAST CONFERENCE

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany Director of Athletics and Recreation Dr. Lee McElroy announced today that the school has renewed its commitment to the Northeast Conference as an associate member in football through the 2006-07 academic year. Albany became a football-playing member of the NEC in 1999, the program's first season at the NCAA Division I-AA level.

"Conference affiliation has enhanced the growth of all our intercollegiate sports programs," McElroy said. "Football's strong relationship with the Northeast Conference has allowed our student-athletes to compete for a championship and receive conference recognition in several ways. The University and its football program remain committed to the NEC's high academic standards."

Albany originally committed to the NEC through the 2002 season, but the new agreement extends that associate membership for a four-year period. The current Northeast Conference football-playing membership includes, University at Albany, Central Connecticut State University, Monmouth University, Robert Morris University, Sacred Heart University, Saint Francis College of Pennsylvania, Stony Brook University and Wagner College.

The Great Danes began playing football as a varsity sport in 1973. Albany competed as a NCAA Division III program until 1995, when the move was made to Division II. Football upgraded to Division I-AA in 1999. Albany finished with a 7-3 record last year, and tied for third place in the Northeast Conference standings.

STEVE EMMERTHAL NAMED AMERICA EAST CO-PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's **Steve Emmerthal** has been chosen as the America East Conference Co-Pitcher of the Week in baseball, as announced today by the conference office. Emmerthal, who shared the award with Maine's Mike MacDonald, fired a three-hit shutout in last Saturday's 6-0 victory over Binghamton. Emmerthal, a sophomore, turned in a seven-strikeout, no-walk effort, as he improved to 6-1 this season. He registered his second shutout and fifth complete-game of the season. In 56.2 innings, he has a 2.38 earned run average with 42 strikeouts and six walks.

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BASEBALL

Vestal, N.Y. – **Steve Emmerthal** fired a three-hit shutout in the opener, as Albany split an America East Conference doubleheader with Binghamton on Saturday afternoon at West Gym Field. The Great Danes won the opener, 6-0, but lost the nightcap, 5-4.

Emmerthal, a sophomore, turned in a seven-strikeout, no-walk effort, as he improved to 6-1 on the mound. He registered his second shutout and fifth complete-game of the season.

Albany (20-30, AE 8-14) did all of its scoring in the third inning. **Jake Toms** singled in the first run, before **Dan Schoonmaker** plated two runners with a double down the right-field line. **Tony Vallone** had a RBI single, and **Pat Delaney** and **Craig Farley** added a pair of sacrifice flies.

Binghamton (17-32, AE 8-10) came from behind in the second contest. The Great Danes took a 4-3 lead in the top of the seventh, when Farley tripled to score Toms and Delaney. The Bearcats rallied as **Kyle Loucks** lined a two-run double to left field off Albany reliever **Nick Borgia** with no outs in the bottom of the inning.

Albany's **Eddie Scott** went 4-for-7 in the two games with one double, two RBI and his 15th stolen base of the season. The Great Danes complete their regular schedule with a conference doubleheader at Binghamton on Sunday at 12 noon.

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(Game 1)

Albany	006	000	0	-	6	9	0
Binghamton	000	000	0	-	0	3	2

Steve Emmerthal and Chase Muratore.

Greg Sousa and Kyle Loucks.

(Game 2)

Albany (20-30, AE 8-14)	100	001	2	-	4	5	4
Binghamton (17-32, AE 8-10)	030	000	2	-	5	7	1

(no outs when winning run scored)

Adam Kroft, Nick Borgia (6) and Fred Estes, Chase Muratore.

David Eagan and Kyle Loucks.

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EIGHTH ANNUAL ALBANY SPRING CLASSIC

Albany, N.Y. – **Nierria Jones** won the triple jump and was second in both the 100-meter hurdles and long jump as UAlbany has four individual champions in the women's competition at the eighth annual Albany Spring Track & Field Classic on Friday evening at University Field. The Great Danes captured the team crown with 165.5 points.

Jones, a junior, was first in the triple jump with a leap of 37-feet, 4-inches. She placed second in the 100-hurdles (14.99) and long jump (16-5.75). Meghan Howell won the 1,500 in 4:52.61, while **Cherice' Vanderhall** took the shot put with a toss of 39-8.75. Freshman April Hanley (Schuylerville Central) was first in the javelin (98-1).

Albany's 4x400-meter relay was first across the line in 4:07.58. Relay members were **Dinnah Decatus, Casey Holman, Zerlinda Martinez** and **Diane Matthews**. Freshman **Natasha Bermudez** set a school record in the hammer, and was second with a throw of 144-feet, 11-inches. Cortland's **Kissie Pringle** was a double-winner in the 100- and 200-meter dash events.

In the men's competition, former UAlbany track standout **Jeffrey York** captured the 100-meter dash and 110-meter high hurdles. York's time of 13.59 seconds in the hurdles was four-hundredths of a second off his own facility record. Army's **Marcus Canty** (javelin) and **Travis Pendleton** (discus) won individual titles to lead the Black Knights to the top of the team standings with 126 points.

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MEN

1. Army 126, 2. Albany 112, 3. Binghamton 51, 4. Montclair State 48, 5. Rensselaer 45, 6. Cortland 41, 7. Capital District Rockets 34, 8. Club Santurce 33, 9. Geneseo 32, 10. Plattsburgh 24, 11. Syracuse Chargers 20, 12. Ithaca 19, 13. Union 16, 14. Oneonta State 15, 15. Marist 14, 16. Athletics East 13, 17. Monmomentum Track Club 12, 18. Oswego 8, (tie) 19. Rochester, Extreme Technique, Roberts Wesleyan 6, 22. Willow Street Athletic Club 5, 23. Farmingdale State 3, (tie) 24. Hunter and New Paltz 1.

MORE

ALBANY TRACK 2-2-2

Track Events

100 – 1. Jeffrey York (unattached), 10.83, 2. Jesse Bennett (Albany), 10.91, 3. Kenrick McBean (Albany), 10.92.

110-Hurdles – 1. Jeffrey York (unattached), 13.59, 2. Paul Roche (Albany), 14.58, 3. Jayson Vazquez (Club Santurce), 14.92.

200 – 1. Jon Coyles (unattached), 22.28, 2. Jayson Manenkoff (Cortland), 22.29, 3. Joe Petry (Capital), 22.42.

400 – 1. Darryl Louis (Monmouth), 48.63, 2. Jon Coyles (unattached), 49.07, 3. Alex Torres (Monmouth), 49.33.

400-Hurdles – 1. Mike Stewart (Binghamton), 55.51, 2. Jayson Vazquez (Club Santurce), 56.24, 3. Al Magle (Geneseo), 56.41.

800 – 1. Steve Reese (Binghamton), 1:57.38, 2. Tony Cordna (Army), 1:57.61, 3. Frank Savinon (Binghamton), 1:57.80.

1,500 – 1. Matt Lo Piccolo (Syracuse Chargers), 4:00.78, 2. Eric Moteinbecker (Army), 4:01.30, 3. Eric Heeley (Army), 4:04.46.

3,000 Steeplechase – 1. Jason Casey (Geneseo), 9:31.06, 2. Aaron Smeard (Army), 9:39.45, 3. Sam Gonzalez (Albany), 9:41.84.

5,000 – 1. Josh McDougal (Monmomentum Track Club), 15:11.76, 2. Ted Tuener (Geneseo), 15:16.97, 3. Andy Allstadt (Albany), 15:20.56.

10,000 – 1. Jay Wells (Plattsburgh), 30:49.98, 2. Rich Friedrich (Oswego), 32:05.08.

4x100 Relay – 1. Cortland, 43.20, 2. Capital District Rockets, 43.98, 3. Oneonta State, 46.16.

4x400 Relay – 1. Montclair State, 3:21.42, 2. Army, 3:22.03, 3. Albany, 3:23.44.

4x800 Relay – 1. Marist, 8:10.08, 2. Albany, 8:41.01.

Field Events

Hammer – 1. Michael Pockoski (unattached), 197-6, 2. Chris Bryce (unattached), 195-5, 3. Dan Presutti (Army), 190-10.

Shot Put – 1. Michael Zolkiewicz (Athletics East), 55-1.50, 2. Justin Siebert (Union), 53-9, 3. Nick Geriorio (Monmouth), 52-10.75.

Long Jump – 1. Luis Soto (Club Santurce), 23-10.25, 2. Derek McGough (Rensselaer), 22-10.50, 3. Paul Roche (Albany), 22-9.75.

High Jump – 1. Dan Bryant (Cortland), 6-5, 2. Matt Cushman (Binghamton), 6-5, 3. Al Mandel (Plattsburgh), 6-1.75.

Triple Jump – 1. Ronald Edmundsen (unattached), 47-6.25, 2. Kamar Elliot (Capitol), 47-2.50, 3. Max Anderson (Geneseo), 46-6.25.

Javelin – 1. Marcus Canty (Army), 202-5, 2. Ron McCourell (unattached), 185-11, 3. Nick Seperico (Montclair State), 185-7.

Discus – 1. Travis Pendleton (Army), 187-10, 2. Michael Pockoski (unattached), 176-2, 3. William Monette (unattached), 175-5.

Pole Vault – 1. Jeff Banks (Rensselaer), 15-3, 2. Mike Thompson (Syracuse Chargers), 15-3, 3. Shawn Empie (Albany), 14-9.

WOMEN

1. Albany 165.5, 2. Army 89, 3. Cortland 63, 4. Binghamton 61.5, 5. Rensselaer 43, 6. Plattsburgh 37.5, 7. Rochester 29.5, 8. New Paltz 22, 9. Roberts Wesleyan 21.5, 10. Geneseo 21, 11. Oneonta State 17, 12. Club Santurce 12, 13. Oswego 11, 14. Hunter 9, 15. Montclair State 5.5, 16. Farmingdale State 2.

MORE

ALBANY TRACK 3-3-3

Track Events

100 – 1. Kissie Pringle (Cortland), 12.01, 2. Tequirra Cox (Albany), 12.11, 3. Elma Pabin (Central Park), 12.18.

100-Hurdles – 1. Jenn White (Cortland), 14.58, 2. Nierria Jones (Albany), 14.99, 3. Raphaelle Jean (Albany), 15.31.

200 – 1. Kissie Pringle (Cortland), 24.91, 2. Veronica Dyer (unattached), 25.09, 3. Tequirra Cox (Albany), 25.19.

400 – 1. Shandra Aplon (Army), 1:01.39, 2. Angela Burgess (Rochester), 1:01.48, 3. Ashlee Robertson (Oneonta State), 1:01.77.

400-Hurdles – 1. Nathalee MacKenzie (Binghamton), 1:05.46, 2. Liz Conway (Rochester), 1:08.70, 3. Tammy Freeman (Albany), 1:11.55.

800 – 1. Sarah Speicher (Cortland), 2:17.22, 2. Mirrah Vitale (Cortland), 2:20.78, 3. Amanda Jinks (Plattsburgh), 2:22.76.

1,500 – 1. Meghan Howell (Albany), 4:52.61, 2. Donna Mahoney (Hunter), 4:57.76, 3. Joanna Zieno (Geneseo), 4:59.18.

3,000 – 1. Kim Cioura (Roberts Wesleyan), 10:30.52, 2. laursi Reed (Roberts Wesleyan), 10:40.42, 3. Alexis Seefeldt (Army), 10:46.36.

3,000 Steeplechase – 1. Lindsey Bohrer-Yardley (Binghamton), 11:22.57, 2. Susan McWilliams (Oswego), 11:32.71, 3. Amanda Leeuwen (Plattsburgh), 12:54.60.

5,000 – 1. Melisa White (Geneseo), 17:24.01, 2. Sara Snyder (Oneonta State), 19:56.48.

10,000 – 1. Lauren Tuchband (Binghamton), 38:16.43.

4x100 Relay – 1. Cortland, 48.36.

4x400 Relay – 1. Albany, 4:07.58.

Field Events

Hammer – 1. Ashley Anbritton (Army), 150-5, 2. Natasha Bermudez (Albany), 144-11, 3. Chris Giacone (Army), 130-01.

Shot Put – 1. Cherice' Vanderhall (Albany), 39-8.75, 2. Ashley Anbritton (Army), 39-5-.25, 3. Elizabeth Meierdiercks (Albany), 38-1.50.

Long Jump – 1. Natasha Dudar (New Paltz), 16-8.50, 2. Nierria Jones (Albany), 16-5.75, 3. Stephanie Ramsey (New Paltz), 16-5.

Triple Jump – 1. Nierria Jones (Albany), 37-4, 2. Nathalee McKenzie (Binghamton), 36-1.25, 3. Rebecca Habernig (Albany), 34-11.25.

Pole Vault – 1. Allison Benson (Rensselaer), 10-11.75, 2. Carrie Bennett (Army), 10-11.75, (tie) 3. Jessica Pearson (Rensselaer) and Lisa Ricciardeli (Monmouth), 10-6.

High Jump – 1. Kristy Laramie (unattached), 5-8.75, 2. Rebecca Habernig (Albany), 5-1, 3. Raphelle Jean (Albany), 5-1.

Javelin – 1. April Hanley (Albany), 98-1, 2. Ashley Kangas (Albany), 96-11, 3. Christine Alaskey (Plattsburgh), 71-9.

Discus – 1. Ashley Anbritton (Army), 158-9, 2. Rachel Tranis (Army), 128-9, 3. Kate Worden (Rensselaer), 116-2.

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AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Burlington, Vt. – **Andi Miller** threw a one-hit shutout to lead Hartford to a 2-0 win over Albany in a loser's bracket elimination game at the America East Conference Softball Tournament on Friday afternoon at Vermont's Post Field. Hartford, the tournament's No. 2 seed, will meet top seed Boston University for the championship and NCAA berth on Saturday at 12 noon.

Miller, a senior, recorded 12 strikeouts and two walks in improving to 10-6 on the mound. She allowed just a two-out single by **Jess Kostenblatt** in the fourth inning. Hartford (24-14-1) scored twice in the fifth to break up a scoreless deadlock. Second baseman **Mallory Rapoza** delivered a RBI single to left field. **Liz Nadeau** scored another run with an infield hit.

Albany eliminated Maine in loser's bracket play earlier in the day with a 4-0 victory. Senior right-hander **Sarah Maida** posted her 18th victory by blanking the Black Bears on three hits. She struck out four and walked two en route to her seventh shutout of the season.

Center fielder **Jen Nolette** (Columbia) plated **Stacy Kowal** with a single to left field in the second inning. The Great Danes added three runs in the third. **Liz Wieboldt** lined a RBI triple into the left-field gap. Second baseman **Megan Craft** (South Glens Falls) added a run-scoring single, and then later stole home.

Albany, the No. 4 seed, finished with a 30-20 record, while third seed Maine completed its schedule at 26-31 overall.

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America East Conference Softball Tournament
 (Post Field, Burlington, Vt.)

Loser's Bracket

#3 Maine (26-31)	000	000	0	-	0	3	3
#4 Albany (30-19)	013	000	x	-	4	6	0

Jenna Merchant, Candace Haegge (3) and Lindsay Tibbetts.
 Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

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ALBANY SOFTBALL 2-2-2

Loser's Bracket

#2 Hartford (24-24-1)	000	020	0	-	2	3	0
#4 Albany (30-20)	000	000	0	-	0	1	3

Andi Miller and Amy Sullivan.

Kristin Couris, Sarah Maida (5) and Stacy Kowal.

America East Softball Tournament

Thursday, May 9

Game 1 – Boston U. 3, Albany 0

Game 2 – Hartford 1, Maine 0

Friday, May 10

Game 3 – Boston U. 3, Hartford 2

Game 4 – Albany 4, Maine 0 (Maine eliminated)

Game 5 – Hartford 2, Albany 0 (Albany eliminated)

Saturday, May 11

Game 6 – Boston U. vs. Hartford, 12 noon

Game 7 – same teams (if necessary)

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EDDIE SCOTT NAMED TO VERIZON ALL-ACADEMIC DISTRICT I BASEBALL TEAM

Bronx, N.Y. – University at Albany's **Eddie Scott** has been chosen to the Verizon University Division All-Academic District I Baseball Team, as voted by CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America). He was named to the all-district squad for the third consecutive year.

Scott, a senior outfielder, has a 3.65 cumulative grade point average in psychology with a minor in sociology. He was recently awarded the Presidential Scholar-Athlete Award and ECAC Merit Medal as the University's top senior male student-athlete. He is a member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, and has been involved with the Whitney Young Reading Program.

Scott is hitting .329 for the Great Danes with 13 extra-base hits and 25 RBI. He is second on the team in runs (37) and stolen bases (14). Scott, who has appeared in 145 games as a collegian, is among UAlbany's top 10 in four categories, including second in career stolen bases with 51.

SOFTBALL LOSES IN AMERICA EAST TOURNAMENT'S OPENING ROUND

Burlington, Vt. – **Robyn Horrnick** pitched her first career no-hitter to lead top seed Boston University to a 3-0 victory over Albany in the opening round of the America East Softball Championship on Thursday afternoon at Post Field.

Horrnick, a junior, pitched to one over the minimum to register her sixth shutout of the season. She struck out 10 batters, and allowed just a two-out walk to **Lynnette Bohannon** in the second inning. Horrnick, the America East Pitcher of the Year, improved to 12-6 on the mound, and recorded the first no-hitter in conference tournament play since Delaware's **Kristen O'Connell** accomplished that feat in 2000.

Boston U. (26-21) scored in the third inning, when **Jamie Haas** beat out an infield single and later came across on a ground out. The Terriers, who won the America East regular-season title, added two runs in the fifth. **Aryn Rangel** and **DeKenya Williams** each delivered two-out, run-scoring singles.

MORE

ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

Albany's **Kristin Couris** allowed one earned run in six innings of work. She totaled four strikeouts and two walks. The Great Danes, who fall to 29-19 overall, will play in Friday's loser's bracket at 1:30 p.m.

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America East Conference Championship – First Round

#4 Albany (29-19)	000	000	0	-	0	0	2
#1 Boston U. (26-21)	001	020	x	-	3	7	0

Kristin Couris and Stacy Kowal.

Robyn Horrick and Christy King.

EIGHTH ANNUAL ALBANY SPRING CLASSIC ON FRIDAY, MAY 10

Albany, N.Y. – The eighth annual Albany Spring Classic and Adirondack USAT&F Track and Field Invitational, hosted by the University at Albany, will be held on Friday, May 10 at University Field. Field events begin at 2:00 p.m. with the men's and women's hammer throw and conclude with the men's and women's high jump at 5:00. The 400-meter intermediate hurdles is the first track competition scheduled at 4:00 p.m. The meet will finish at 9:00 with the 10,000-meter run.

Twenty collegiate teams are entered, including UAlbany, Union and Rensselaer. Most of the competitors are attempting to qualify for both the NCAA and IC4A/ECAC championships. Freshman **Kristof Molnar** will anchor's UAlbany 4x800-meter relay, while **Aggrey Morris** is trying to make the IC4A-qualifying standard of 48.10 seconds in the 400-meter dash. **Dinnah Decatus** is the lead runner on the women's 4x800 relay which is attempting to qualify for the ECAC field.

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UALBANY SPRING CLASSIC -- **ORDER OF EVENTS**

Field Events

Time	Event	
2:00	Hammer Throw	Men/Women
followed by	Discus	Men/Women
2:00	Shot Put	Women/Men
followed by	Javelin	Women/Men
3:00	Pole Vault	Women/Men
3:00	Long Jump	Women/Men
followed by	Triple Jump	Women/Men
5:00	High Jump	Women/Men

Track Events

Time	Event	
4:00	400 Hurdles	Women/Men
4:20	4x100 Relay	Women/Men
4:35	1,500 (sections)	Women/Men
5:00	100 (sections)	Women/Men
5:20	400 (sections)	Women/Men
5:35	800 (sections)	Women/Men
5:55	200	Women/Men
6:10	5,000	Women/Men
6:55	100 Hurdles	Women
6:55	110 Hurdles	Men
7:15	Special 4x100 Relay	
7:25	4x400 Relay	Women/Men
7:40	4x800 Relay	Women/Men
8:10	3,000	Women
8:30	3,000 Steeplechase	Women/Men
9:00	10,000 (combined)	Women/Men

VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA TEAM
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VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT TEAM
2002 BASEBALL - DISTRICT I

First Team - University Division

PITCHERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Major</u>
Brian Dorsey	St. John's University	Sr.	Smithtown, N.Y.	3.43	Sports Management
Matt McCarthy	Yale University	Sr.	Winter Park, Florida	3.55	Biomedical Engineering

CATCHER

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Major</u>
Derek Johnson	Columbia University	Sr.	Pompton Plains, N.J.	3.69	Political Science

INFIELD

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Major</u>
Steven Duke	Yale University	Jr.	Bayside, N.Y.	3.62	Economics
Billy Hess	Columbia University	Jr.	Casselberry, Florida	3.32	Psychology
Jason Kane	St. John's University	Sr.	Rutherford, N.J.	3.28	Sports Management
Eric Wilson	St. Bonaventure Univ.	So.	Allegany, N.Y.	3.30	Social Science

OUTFIELD

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Major</u>
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Brian Macchi	Boston College	Sr.	Milford, Mass.	3.382	Elementary Education
Eddie Scott	University at Albany	Sr.	Kingston, N.Y.	3.65	Psychology

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TERRY & CRAFT NAMED TO AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE SOFTBALL TEAM

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls) and **Megan Craft** (South Glens Falls) have been chosen All-America East Conference in softball, as announced today by the conference office. Terry and Craft were voted to the second team by the league's head coaches.

Terry, a senior shortstop, is among the America East leaders in six offensive categories. She ranks sixth nationally in stolen bases at 0.74 per game and has 35 on the season. Terry is batting .318 in UAlbany's leadoff spot with 11 multi-hit games. She also has 29 runs, 10 extra-base hits, 47 total hits and a .377 on-base percentage.

Terry, a .352 career hitter, is the school's all-time leader in five categories, including total hits (197), stolen bases (129), runs (148), doubles (23) and triples (16).

Craft, a sophomore, started all 47 games at second base after transferring from Adirondack Community College. She posted a .217 batting average, and is tied for fifth among the conference leaders with 22 RBI. Craft adds six doubles, 16 runs and a .966 fielding percentage.

Albany (29-18) begins play at the America East Conference Tournament on Thursday at 12 noon against top seed Boston University. The Great Danes are the fourth seed in the NCAA-qualifying championship.

BASEBALL

West Point, N.Y. – **Miguel Gastellum** and **Josh Rizzo** each drove in a pair of runs to lead Army to a 9-2 non-conference victory over Albany on Wednesday afternoon at Doubleday Field. The Black Knights have won 13 of their last 14 games.

Army (22-21) erased a 1-0 deficit by scoring five times in the fourth. Rizzo, a senior outfielder, keyed the uprising with a two-run single to center field. Gastellum added a RBI single and scored in the inning.

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ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

Right-hander **Brian Elliott** went the distance on the mound to improve his record to 5-4 on the season. Elliott, who did not allow an earned run, struck out seven and walked four. First baseman **Kyle Norton** had two hits, two stolen bases and scored three runs, while **Josh Minney** singled and doubled.

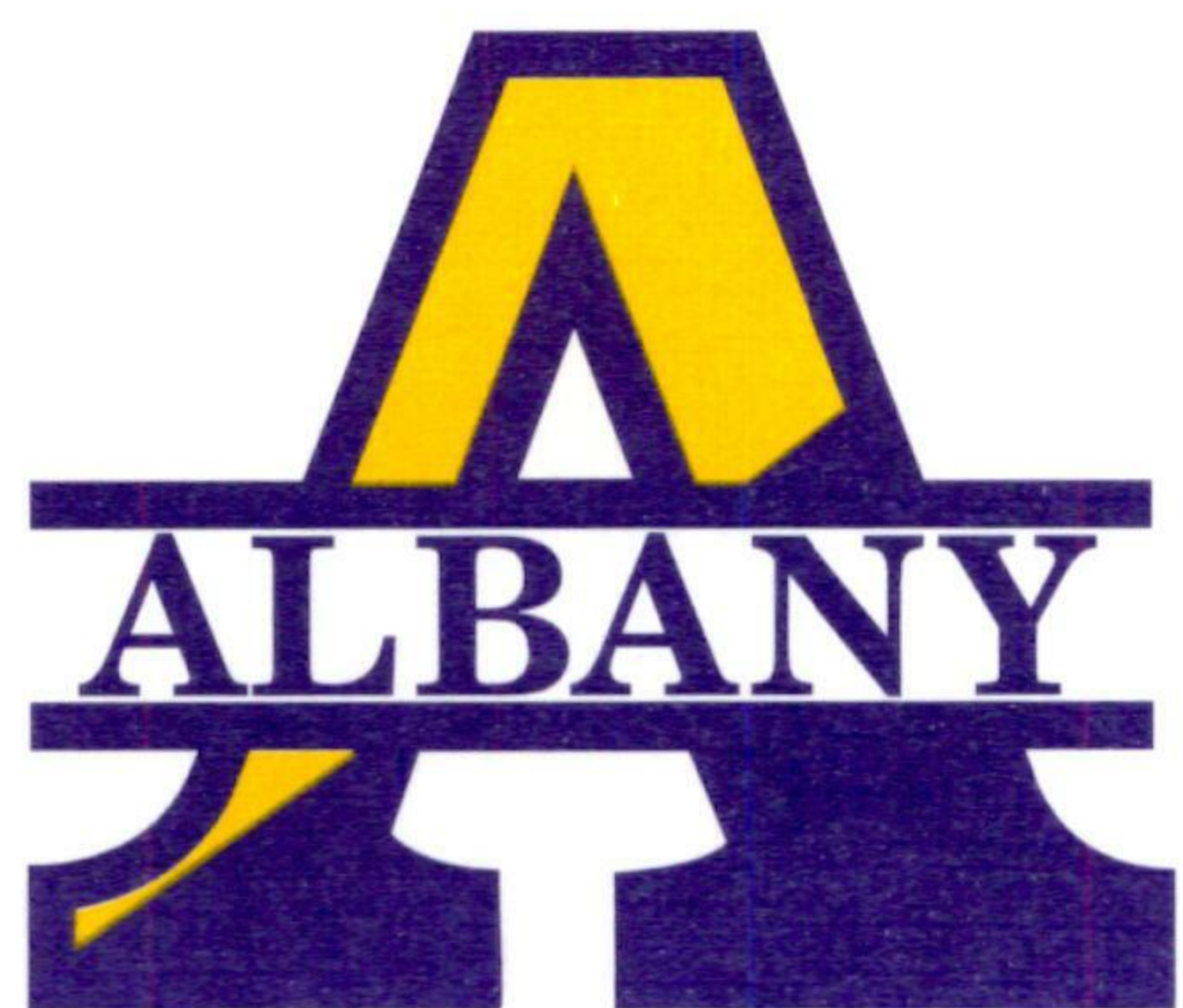
Left fielder **Matt Crudo** (LaSalle Institute) doubled and scored in the seventh for the Great Danes, who fall to 19-29 overall.

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Albany (19-29)	100	000	100	-	2	7	3
Army (22-21)	000	501	12x	-	9	10	2

Mike Muller, Roman Dubiel (6), Shawn Walsh (7), Nick Borgia (8) and Chase Muratore.

Brian Elliott and Brandon Boyce.



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AMY DI MICCO AND EDDIE SCOTT AWARDED ECAC MERIT MEDALS

ALBANY, N.Y. – University at Albany Director of Athletics and Recreation Lee McElroy announced today that **Amy Di Micco** and **Eddie Scott** have been chosen to receive Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Merit Medals. The awards are annually given to the school's top senior female and male student-athletes who have shown excellence in the classroom and as competitive athletes during the current academic year.

Di Micco, a captain on the women's field hockey team, posted a 3.82 cumulative grade point average in communication with a minor in business administration. She was chosen to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association National Academic Team for the third straight year, and received the Merlin Hathaway Scholarship and Presidential Undergraduate Leadership Award. Di Micco served as president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Di Micco was voted to the NFHCA All-Mideast Region second team, and the America East Conference second team. She played in the 2001 NFHCA Division I North-South Senior All-Star Game. Di Micco led the Great Danes in scoring with six goals and four assists, and finished her career tied for second on the school's all-time scoring list with 99 points (41 goals, 17 assists.)

A center fielder and captain on the baseball squad, Scott has a 3.65 GPA in psychology with a minor in sociology. A two-time Verizon District I All-Academic selection, Scott has received the Spellman Award for four years and earned the Top Honoree Award with the highest GPA for an African-American in his class. He is a member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, and has worked with the Whitney Young Reading Program.

Scott is currently hitting .327 with 13 extra-base hits and 25 RBI. He is second on the team in runs (37) and stolen bases (14). Scott has appeared in 144 games for the Great Danes, and has a .325 career batting average. He ranks second on the school's all-time stolen base chart with 51, and is among UAlbany's top 10 in runs (110), RBI (74) and doubles (23).

PAST ECAC MERIT MEDAL WINNERS

2000-01: J.T. Herfurth (Football), Mariah Martin (Field Hockey)

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1997-98: Liz Peck (Field Hockey), Darrin Jahnel (Men's Basketball), Halim Wise (Men's Track)

1996-97: Tonya Dodge (Women's Track/Cross Country), Jamie Lent (Baseball)

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BASEBALL

Colonie, N.Y. – **Wendell Anderson** pitched a complete game and first baseman **Chris Gaskin** drove in three runs to lead Manhattan to a 5-2 non-conference victory over Albany on Tuesday evening at Heritage Park.

Anderson, a senior right-hander, struck out nine and walked four in going the distance on the mound. He allowed one earned run and scattered eight hits to improve to 4-3 on the season.

Manhattan (26-18) took a 2-0 lead in the second, when Gaskin hit his third home run of the spring, a two-run blast over the left-field fence. Albany (19-28) scored in the third, as second baseman **Mike Grasso** (Bishop Maginn) singled and later scored on **Eddie Scott's** sacrifice fly.

The Jaspers, who have won eight of their last ten starts, pulled away with single runs in the fourth and fifth innings. Shortstop **Sal Candela** delivered a sacrifice fly to right field, before Gaskin, who had three hits, lined an RBI double into the right-field gap.

Grasso finished with two hits, including a RBI single in the ninth, and added his 28th stolen base, while **Dan Schoonmaker** singled and doubled.

-agate-

Manhattan (26-18)	020	110	010	-	5	8	2
Albany (19-28)	001	000	001	-	2	8	4

Wendell Anderson and Eric Fierro.

Pat Hastings, Shawn Ryan (6) and Fred Estes.

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JARED KNOTTS SIGNS TO PLAY BASKETBALL FOR GREAT DANES

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany men's basketball coach Will Brown announced today that **Jared Knotts** has signed a national letter of intent to play for the Great Danes in 2002-03.

Knotts, a 6-foot-6, 235-pound forward from Colton, Calif., averaged 28 points and 12 rebounds as a senior at St. James School in Hagerstown, Md. Knotts, who canned 75 three-point field goals, finished his scholastic career as the school's all-time scorer with 1,638 points.

Knotts was named the Tri-State Area Small School Player of the Year, and was a two-time consensus all-area selection. He was also chosen to the All-Washington County and All-Mid-Atlantic Conference teams on two occasions.

"Jared is a special talent who brings a much needed dimension to our program in that he can score in the lane and from the perimeter," Brown commented. "He should help us from day one with his ability to play on both the wing and baseline. He is the type of student-athlete we want in our basketball team."

UAlbany previously signed **Jamar Wilson**, a 6-foot, 160-pound guard from Lake Grove, N.Y. (Our Savior New American School), and **Levi Levine**, a 6-foot-5, 220-pound forward from Manhattan, N.Y. (Cheshire Academy), during the early recruiting period last November.

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SOFTBALL

West Hartford, Conn. – Sophomore **Kristin Couris** fired a two-hit shutout in the opener, as Albany split an America East Conference doubleheader with Hartford on Sunday afternoon at Al-Marzook Athletic Fields. The Great Danes, who qualified for next weekend's America East Tournament with the victory, won the first game, 2-0, but dropped the nightcap, 1-0.

Couris, a right-hander, posted her fourth shutout of the season with one strikeout and two walks, and upped her record to 7-9 overall. She worked out of trouble in the first inning after allowing **Mallory Rapoza's** one-out triple, and gave up a leadoff single by **Liz Nadeau** in the seventh.

Albany (29-18, AE 12-12) broke up a scoreless deadlock in the sixth. Freshman **Brittany Burnham** (Voorheesville) led off with a walk, moved to third on a fielding error, and then scored on **Jess Kostenblatt's** fielder's choice. Catcher **Stacy Kowal** added her team's second run with a sacrifice fly to left field.

Hartford's **Andi Miller** blanked the Great Danes on three hits in the second contest with a seven-strikeout, two-walk performance. The Hawks, who improved to 22-13-1 overall and 13-9 in conference play, scored the game's lone run in the sixth. Center fielder **Bryn Weller** singled to right field to start the inning, and later came across on **Monica Evrard's** sacrifice fly.

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(Game 1)

Albany	000	002	0	-	2	5	1
Hartford	000	000	0	-	0	2	1

Kristin Couris and Stacy Kowal. Liz Nadeau and Amy Sullivan.

(Game 2)

Albany (29-18, AE 12-12)	000	000	0	-	0	3	3
Hartford (22-13-1, AE 13-9)	000	001	x	-	1	5	0

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal. Andi Miller and Amy Sullivan.

MORE

ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

ALBANY SEEDED FOURTH FOR AMERICA EAST SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Boston, Mass. – UAlbany will be the fourth seed for this week's America East Conference Softball Championship. The double-elimination tournament will be held on May 9-11 at the University of Vermont's Post Field in Burlington, Vt. The conference champion receives an automatic berth in the 64-team NCAA Tournament field.

The Great Danes, who finished the regular season with a 29-18 record, and placed fourth in the conference standings at 12-12, will take on the top seed Boston University (25-21, AE 19-3) in the opening round on Thursday at 12 noon. Hartford, the second seed, meets No. 3 Maine at 2:30 p.m.

Senior shortstop **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls) ranks third among the America East Conference leaders in hitting with a .318 batting average. She leads UAlbany in runs (29), extra-base hits (10) and stolen bases (35). Senior right-hander **Sarah Maida** is the UAlbany pitching staff's ace. She has a 17-8 record with a 1.12 earned run average, six shutouts and 122 strikeouts.

America East Conference Softball Tournament Schedule

(Post Field, Burlington, Vt.)

Thursday, May 9

Game 1 – No. 1 Boston U. (25-21) vs. No. 4 Albany (29-18), 12 noon

Game 2 – No. 2 Hartford (22-13-1) vs. No. 3 Maine (26-29), 2:30 p.m.

Friday, May 10

Game 3 – Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 11:00 a.m.

Game 4 – Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2, 1:30 p.m.

Game 5 – Winner Game 4 vs. Loser Game 3, 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 11

Game 6 – Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 5, 12 noon

Game 7 – (same teams if necessary)

BASEBALL

Colonie, N.Y. – Senior right-hander **Adam Castoldi** tossed a three-hit shutout in the nightcap, as Albany split an America East Conference doubleheader with Vermont on Sunday afternoon at Heritage Park. The Great Danes won the second game, 7-0, but lost the opener, 12-3.

Castoldi, who made his first start of the spring, struck out four and walked two to post his first victory since April 21, 2001. He allowed two hits, including a double, in the fourth, but worked out of the jam with a fly ball and a ground out.

Albany (19-27, AE 7-13) scored five times in the second inning. **Matt Crudo** (LaSalle Institute) singled up the middle to drive in a pair of UAlbany runners, before **Mike Grasso** (Bishop Maginn) drilled a two-run homer over the left-field fence. **Eddie Scott** belted a solo home run to complete the outburst.

In the first game, catcher **Jeff Tarigo** homered twice and drove in five runs. Vermont (25-15, AE 12-4) built an 8-1 lead in the early innings. **Bobby Tewksbury** had a run-scoring triple in the second that was followed by **Jason Carey's** RBI double. Tarigo hit a solo homer in third, and delivered a three-run blast in the sixth for the conference's first-place team.

Grasso and Scott each finished with three hits on the day for the Great Danes, who snapped a five-game losing streak in the second contest.

MORE

ALBANY SPORTS 3-3-3

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(Game 1)

Vermont	221	304	0	-	12	13	0
Albany	100	001	1	-	3	9	1

Andy Kumming, Jared Slater and Jeff Tarigo.

Jeff Mazzola, Will Haskell (4), Ryan Pitt (6) and Chase Muratore.

(Game 2)

Vermont (25-15, AE 12-4)	000	000	0	-	0	3	0
Albany (19-27, AE 7-13)	050	020	x	-	7	10	3

Brett Dobens, Mike Smith (2), Scott Blood (5) and Jeff Tarigo.

Adam Castoldi and Fred Estes.

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STONY BROOK WINS AMERICA EAST MEN'S LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Albany, N.Y. – Senior midfielder **Tris Gillen** scored the go-ahead goal with eight minutes and 35 seconds remaining, as Stony Brook captured the America East Championship with an 8-6 victory over Albany on Saturday afternoon at Varsity Field. The Seawolves earned their first-ever NCAA Tournament berth with the conference's automatic bid.

Albany, the America East regular-season titleholder who finished with a 9-7 record, took a 6-5 lead early in the fourth quarter, when junior attacker **Chris Driscoll** converted a man-advantage situation off a feed from **Luke Daquino**.

Stony Brook (10-6) drew even as senior midfielder **Denis Scannell**, the championship's Most Outstanding Player, scored his second goal of the game, a blast inside the left post with 9:10 left in the contest. The Seawolves took the lead 35 seconds later, when Gillen drove from behind the cage and slid an underhanded shot past Albany goalkeeper **Kevin Rae**.

The Seawolves, the tournament's No. 3 seed, but preseason favorite to win the conference crown, added an insurance goal with 4:37 to play. **Kevin Pall** tallied his 48th goal of the season, when he scored in transition from **Steve Conlon** on a play that originated off an offensive turnover.

Stony Brook, who has reached double-figure victories for the first time since 1990, erased an early 2-0 deficit with a four-goal second quarter. Scannell gave his team the lead with a driving shot from the right side, before **George LaFlare** spun to his left and bounced a shot into the net for a 5-3 advantage.

Albany's Daquino, who scored three times and added one assist, sliced the gap to one goal with 44 seconds left before halftime. **Michael Solazzo** and Driscoll each had one goal and one assist for the Great Danes, who made a dramatic turnaround from last year's 3-8 campaign.

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MORE

ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

America East Conference Men's Lacrosse Championship

#3 Stony Brook (10-6)	1	4	0	3	-	8
#1 Albany (9-7)	2	2	1	1	-	6

Stony Brook – Scoring: Denis Scannell 2-0, Steve Conlon 1-1, Kevin Pall 1-0, George LaFlare 1-0, Michael Dworczyk 1-0, Matt Campolettano 1-0, Tris Gillen 1-0, Kyle Pearl 0-1, Dan DaPonte 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Steve Armsworthy (60:00, 13 saves, 6 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Luke Daquino 3-1, Michael Solazzo 1-1, Chris Driscoll 1-1, Brendan Russell 1-0, Tim Primrose 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Kevin Rae (60:00, 13 saves, 8 GA).

America East Conference All-Tournament Team

Denis Scannell (Stony Brook) – Most Outstanding Player, Steve Armsworthy (Stony Brook), Kevin Pall (Stony Brook), Alan Beach (Albany), Luke Daquino (Albany); Kevin Rae (Albany), Joe Baglio (Quinnipiac), Mike Baglio (Quinnipiac), Rorke Greene (Hartford), Brian LaMastro (Hartford)

TRACK & FIELD

Durham, N.H. – Freshman **Kristof Molnar** won the 800-meter run and **Alix Rodriques** anchored the 4x100 relay to victory to highlight the University at Albany's performance at the America East Conference Outdoor Track & Field Championships on Saturday at New Hampshire's Roger F. Atkins Track and Field Facility. The Great Danes finished second in the men's standings behind Northeastern.

Molnar, who also won the conference's indoor 800 title, raced to the line in 1:55.53. Rodriques teamed with **Dustin Wilson**, **Kenrick McBean**, and **Jesse Bennett** to win the relay in an IC4A-qualifying time of 42.30 seconds. UAlbany's **Adam Rice** (3,000 steeplechase) and **Andy Allstadt** (10,000) captured individual America East titles on Friday's first day of competition.

Paul Roche (Niskayuna) qualified for the IC4A championships on May 17-19 with a second-place finish in the 110-meter high hurdles (14.47). Roche was also third in both the long jump (23-3.50) and high jump (6-6). Bennett, a freshman, also set a school record in the 100-dash. He placed second by sprinting 10.68 seconds, which broke a mark set by Travis Miller in 1994.

In the women's America East competition, UAlbany's **Tammy Freeman** won the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:03.96, as the Great Danes ended up seventh in the team standings. **Nierria Jones** set a school record in triple jump with a leap of 38-feet, 0.75-inches to finish second. She was also third in the 100-hurdles in 15.37 seconds. Freshman **Tequirra Cox** was fourth in the 100-meter dash in 11.98, but qualified for the ECAC championships.

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America East Conference Championships

MEN – 1. Northeastern 201.5, 2. Albany 180.5, 3. New Hampshire 111, 4. Boston U. 104, 5. Binghamton 77, 6. Maine 57, 7. Vermont 47, 8. Stony Brook 26, 9. Hartford 13.

WOMEN – 1. Northeastern 139, 2. New Hampshire 132.5, 3. Maine 130, 4. Binghamton 114, 5. Boston U. 108, 6. Vermont 93, 7. Albany 81.5, 8. Stony Brook 20.

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ALBANY SPORTS 3-3-3

SOFTBALL

West Hartford, Conn. -- Freshman catcher **Amy Sullivan** hit a two-out RBI single in the bottom of the fourth, leading Hartford to a 1-0 win over Albany in the second game of an America East Conference doubleheader on Saturday afternoon at the Yousuf Al-Marzook Athletic Fields. The Hawks took the first game of the twinbill, 9-2, and clinched a spot in next week's conference tournament with the sweep.

Sullivan, who was 4-for-6 with three RBI on the day, singled through the left side of the infield to plate freshman **Liz Borawski** and give Hartford (21-12-1, AE 12-8) the lead. Borawski had struck out but reached first on a third-strike wild pitch by Great Dane hurler **Sarah Maida**. Hartford's **Andi Miller** struck out six and walked none in a complete-game two-hitter, allowing just singles in the fourth and seventh innings.

Albany (28-17, AE 11-11) fell behind 3-0 in the first inning of the opener, as an error by first baseman **Debbie Hodge** eventually led to two unearned runs. The Hawks tacked on three more runs in the third and sixth innings, while Albany managed two in the top of the sixth on RBI singles by **Brittany Burnham** (Voorheesville) and **Liz Wieboldt**. **Monica Evrard** was 2-for-3 with two runs and three RBI in the nightcap for Hartford.

Burnham and **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls) each finished 2-for-6 for the Great Danes. Albany, currently fourth in the conference standings, can clinch a spot in America East Tournament with a split in Sunday's doubleheader with Hartford.

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(Game 1)

Albany	000	002	0	-	2	6	3
Hartford	303	003	x	-	9	9	0

Kristin Couris, Danielle Buyea (4) and Stacy Kowal.

Liz Nadeau and Amy Sullivan.

(Game 2)

Albany (28-16, AE 11-11)	000	000	0	-	0	2	0
Hartford (21-12-1, AE 12-8)	000	100	x	-	1	4	0

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

Andi Miller and Amy Sullivan.

BASEBALL

Colonie, N.Y. -- Junior outfielder **Jeff Barry** went 3-for-6 with three RBI and freshman **Jason Carey** was 5-for-6 with two doubles and two RBI as Vermont swept an America East Conference doubleheader from Albany on Saturday afternoon at Heritage Park. The Catamounts won the opener 3-1, and took the nightcap, 5-3.

Barry had key hits for America East-leading Vermont (24-14, AE 11-3) in both games. In the nightcap, he touched off a four-run third inning with a triple to left center that scored Carey and **Bobby Tewksbary**.

Albany (18-26, AE 6-12) would score two in the bottom of that frame to cut the deficit to 4-3. First baseman **Dan Schoonmaker's** single to center field scored **Eddie Scott**, while **Pat Delaney** drove in Schoonmaker with a double to center. Vermont added an insurance run in the fifth, as Tewksbary tripled and later scored on an error.

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ALBANY SPORTS 4-4-4

The Great Danes threatened in the bottom of the seventh, loading the bases on singles by **Jake Toms** and **Tony Vallone** (Greenwich Central) and a walk by Delaney. But Catamount closer **Justin Bissonnette**, who earned the save in both games, struck out **Fred Estes** and **Craig Farley** to end the threat.

In the opener, Barry gave his team a 2-0 lead on a RBI single to center field in the top of the fifth inning. The Great Danes, who trailed 3-1 with two outs in the sixth, looked to rally when bases were loaded on three straight walks by Vermont pitcher **Brian Robinson**. However, Toms was out at home after trying to score on a wild pitch by Robinson. The pitch ricocheted off the backstop to catcher Jeff Tarigo, who flipped to his pitcher for the tag.

Robinson allowed just two hits and one unearned run in six innings, upping his record to 5-2 on the season for Vermont. Albany's Delaney finished the day 3-for-6 with one RBI, while **Mike Grasso** (Bishop Maginn) went 2-for-5 and stole his 26th base of the season.

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(Game 1)

Vermont	010	011	0	-	3	7	2
Albany	000	010	0	-	1	2	1

Brian Robinson, Justin Bissonnette (7) and Jeff Tarigo.

Adam Kroft and Chase Muratore.

(Game 2)

Vermont (24-14, AE 11-3)	004	010	0	-	5	10	1
Albany (18-26, AE 6-12)	012	000	0	-	3	9	1

Jamie Merchant, Justin Bissonnette (7) and Jeff Tarigo.

Steve Emmerthal and Chase Muratore, Fred Estes.

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AMERICA EAST OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Durham, N.H.—Senior **Adam Rice** and freshman **Andy Allstadt** each captured individual titles, leading the University at Albany into first place in the men's team competition at the America East Conference Outdoor Track & Field Championships on Friday evening at the University of New Hampshire.

The Great Danes lead after the first day of competition with 26 points, and are followed closely by New Hampshire (23) and Northeastern (20). The UAlbany women's team is tied with Northeastern for sixth place, totaling six points. The championships continue on Saturday morning, with field events beginning at 9:00 a.m. and track events starting at 11:00 a.m.

Rice took home the America East 3,000-meter steeplechase title, finishing in 9:45.21 and earning 10 points for the UAlbany men's team. Sophomore **Rob Caracciolo** finished 10th in the same event.

In the final event of the first day, Allstadt edged Boston University's **Rob Wong** by less than three seconds to take the 10,000-meter championship. An All-Conference cross country performer during the fall season, Allstadt finished the race in 31:54.57. UAlbany sophomore **Joe Pienta** earned his team an additional six points with a third-place finish in the event, crossing the tape in 31:58.19.

Max DeSieno and **Aaron Kimball** finished 13th and 17th, respectively, in the hammer throw. DeSieno threw 130-feet, one-inch, while Kimball's distance was 106-feet, 5-inches.

Sophomore **Trista Neinast** was the highest finisher for the UAlbany women's squad, placing fifth in the 10,000-meter run with a time of 38:36.76.

Senior **Stacy Kupcheni (Shenendehowa)** also scored for the Great Danes with a 7th-place performance in the javelin throw (111-feet, 9-inches). **Ashley Kangas** was 15th in that event with a throw of 91-feet, 6-inches.

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BOSTON U. MOVES PAST ALBANY IN AMERICA EAST LACROSSE SEMIFINAL

Durham, N.H. – **Hannah Cross** had four goals and **Alyssa Trudel** added three goals and four assists, as second seed Boston University routed Albany, 19-4, in the semifinals of the America East Conference Tournament on Thursday afternoon at UNH Soccer Field. New Hampshire, the No. 1 seed, cruised past Vermont, 21-5, in its semifinal. The winners will meet Saturday for the championship.

Boston U. (7-11) rolled to a 9-1 halftime advantage in the rain and mud. Senior midfielder **Ericka Hergenroeder** did all of her scoring in the opening period with three goals and one assist. **Katie Nordhoff**, who had three goals and two assists, scored twice before the break.

The Terriers, who posted a 17-5 victory over Albany in the regular season, tallied four of the game's next five goals to begin the second half. Cross, a sophomore midfielder, scored unassisted for a 13-2 lead with 21:25 remaining.

Boston U.'s **Kristin Abruzzee**, the fourth-leading scorer in the conference, finished with two goals, including her 38th of the season, and three assists. Albany's **Andrea Esposito** (Saratoga Springs) had one goal and one assist, while freshman **Jenn Rajczak** (Scotia-Glenville) scored her team's first-half goal. The Great Danes complete their schedule with a 6-10 record.

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America East Conference Women's Lacrosse Tournament

#3 Albany (6-10)	1	3	-	4	
#2 Boston U. (7-11)	9	10	-	19	(Semifinals, Durham, N.H.)

Albany – Scoring: Andrea Esposito 1-1, Jenn Rajczak 1-0, Maria Ferrucci 1-0, Amanda Heller 1-0; Alexis DiDomenico 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Michelle Talviste (10:43, 3 saves, 7 GA), Francine Beltempo (49:17, 6 saves, 12 GA).

Boston U. – Scoring: Hannah Cross 4-0, Alyssa Trudel 3-4, Katie Nordhoff 3-2, Ericka Hergenroeder 3-1, Kristin Abruzzee 2-3, Sasha Lang 2-0, Kelly Trahon 1-0, Molly Byrne 1-0; Gabby Juocys 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Brooke Barrett (25:00, 3 saves, 1 GA), Anne Sheridan (17:55, 3 saves, 1 GA), Lauren Beatty (17:05, 5 saves, 2 GA).

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UALBANY PLACES FIVE ON AMERICA EAST WOMEN'S LACROSSE TEAM

Boston, Mass. – Junior attacker **Andrea Esposito** (Saratoga Springs) and senior defender **Allison Beagle** (Saratoga Springs) have been chosen to All-America East Conference women's lacrosse squad as first-team selections, as announced today by the conference office. **Maria Ferrucci**, **Theresa Masse** and **Liz Adamo** were voted to the second team by the league's head coaches.

Esposito is seventh among the America East scoring leaders with 20 goals and 20 assists. She established single-season game records for assists (7) and points (10) against Binghamton on April 28, and also became the school's career assists leader with 62. Beagle, a 15-game starter on defense, is fourth on the team in ground balls (42), plus has tallied six goals and two assists.

Ferrucci, a junior midfielder, is sixth in the conference in scoring at 2.93 points per game. She has 34 goals and 10 assists, and is ranked 15th among the NCAA Division I leaders in ground balls with a 3.53 average. Ferrucci has moved into second place on UAlbany's career list with 122 goals.

Masse, a junior midfielder, totaled 10 goals and three assists. She was second on the team in ground balls (48) and led the squad in draw controls (23). Adamo, a senior captain, started all 15 games as a defender.

UAlbany placed two freshmen on the America East Conference All-Rookie Team. Attacker **Jenn Rajczak** (Scotia-Glenville) is fifth on the team in scoring with 11 goals and eight assists, while goalkeeper **Francine Beltempo** has a 12.43 goals against average and a .513 save percentage.