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**UALBANY SIGNS FOUR WOMEN'S BASKETBALL STUDENT-ATHLETES FOR 2007-08**

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany women's basketball coach Trina Patterson announced today that four student-athletes have signed national letters of intent to play for the Great Danes in the 2007-08 academic year. Kim Clements, a 5-foot-10 guard/forward from Waterbury, Conn. (Holy Cross H.S.), Amira Ford, a 5-foot-5 guard from Friendswood, Texas (Clear Brook H.S. / Blinn Junior College), Felicia Johnson, a 5-foot-4 guard from Newport News, Va. (Woodside H.S.) and Tiffanie Johnson, a 5-foot-11 forward from Richmond, Texas (Crockett H.S. / Panola College) have each made their commitment.

"(Amira) Ford and (Felicia) Johnson bring lightning speed to our team at the point guard position," UAlbany coach Trina Patterson said. "It was a high-need position for our program and they will both play immediately. (Kim) Clements and (Tiffanie) Johnson are small forwards who are solid three-point shooters and very good weakside rebounders. This is a highly-talented group that improves our offensive punch with their scoring ability."

Clements led her team to the CHSCA Class M state championship, the first title in the program's history, with a perfect 26-0 record. She was named to the *New Haven Register* all-state second team and was an honorable mention selection by the *Hartford Courant*. Clements, who totaled 15.0 points and 10.0 rebounds per game, has been chosen to play in the CHSCA East-West All-Star Game. A consensus all-state second-team performer as a junior, Clements was named the Naugatuck Valley League Tournament MVP.

Ford was a starter on two Blinn Junior College squads that posted a pair of 20-win campaigns. She averaged 5.3 points, 5.6 assists, 4.7 rebounds and 1.2 steals in earning honorable mention All-Region XIV recognition. The Lady Buccaneers made the regional tournament finals with a 22-11 record. Ford, who is originally from Long Island, ranked 15th nationally and third regionally in assists per game. As a high school player, Ford was voted the district defensive player of the year and to the all-district first team.

Felicia Johnson was named to the *Hampton Roads Daily Press* second team and Peninsula all-district first team as a senior. She averaged 15.0 points, 5.0 assists, 4.0 rebounds and 5.0 steals. Johnson, who is from the same hometown as Coach Patterson, led the Wolverines to a 20-6 record and an appearance in the Eastern Region playoffs. She has been chosen to participate in the Virginia High School Coaches Association East-West All-Star Game.

A transfer from Panola College in Texas, Tiffanie Johnson contributed 7.6 points and 3.1 rebounds, plus made 40 three-point field goals last season. The Fillies finished with a 21-10 record. Johnson, who played in four games as a freshman at New Mexico State in 2005-06, was the District 21-Class 3A MVP at Crockett (Texas) High School. She averaged 15.0 points, 5.0 assists and 5.0 rebounds in leading the Bulldogs to a 29-5 record. Johnson earned second-team all-region and first-team all-district honors as a senior.

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**2007-08 University at Albany Women's Basketball Signings**

| Name             | Pos. | Ht.  | Hometown (High School/Junior College)                   |
|------------------|------|------|---|
| Kim Clements     | G/F  | 5-10 | Waterbury, Conn. (Holy Cross)                           |
| Amira Ford       | G    | 5-5  | Friendswood, Texas (Clear Brook / Blinn Junior College) |
| Felicia Johnson  | G    | 5-4  | Newport News, Va. (Woodside)                            |
| Tiffanie Johnson | F    | 5-11 | Richmond, Texas (Crockett / Panola College)             |





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### **FOOTBALL COACH BOB FORD RECEIVES CITIZEN OF THE UNIVERSITY AWARD ON FRIDAY**

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany Alumni Association will honor head football coach Bob Ford with its Citizen of the University Award on Friday, June 1. The presentation will take place at the Gala Awards Banquet, which begins at 6:00 p.m. at the Desmond Hotel & Conference Center. The dinner and awards are part of the Association's Alumni Weekend.

The Citizen of the University Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the University by a non-alumnus or alumna through leadership, service or a special gift. The list of previous recipients includes former UAlbany basketball coach Richard "Doc" Sauers.

Ford, who has been UAlbany's only head coach since football was reinstated at the club level in 1970, has guided the program through a transition to the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA) level. He has a 34-year varsity record of 208-136 at the school, and his 217 career victories ranks second among active NCAA FCS coaches.

Coach Ford's teams won a pair of Northeast Conference championships in 2002 and 2003. His UAlbany squads have a 78-41 record for a .655 winning percentage over the last 11 years. In 2006, the Great Danes posted a 7-4 record and recorded their first-ever wins over national top-25 squads. As a Division II program, UAlbany captured the 1997 and 1998 Eastern Football Conference championships. The '97 team established a school record with an 11-1 campaign. Ford received the Gordon White-Herschel Nissenson Division II Coach of the Year Award by the Metropolitan New York Football Writers Association.

Ford has been a member of the American Football Coaches Association's Board of Trustees for 13 years and served as the AFCA president in 2000. He received the New York State Athletic Administrators Distinguished Service Award in 2005.

### **UALBANY ANNOUNCES WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE FOR 2007 SEASON**

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany Vice President and Director of Athletics Lee McElroy announced today the school's women's volleyball schedule for the 2007 season. Head coach Kelly Sheffield has entered his team in five tournaments and put together a three-game swing through the state of Alabama. The Great Danes, who reached the NCAA Tournament last year as the America East Conference champion, will host the UAlbany Classic on Sept. 14-15 at University Gymnasium and play a 12-game conference slate.

UAlbany opens the season at the Northern Arizona Invitational in Flagstaff, Ariz. on Aug. 24-25. New Mexico State, ranked 23rd nationally in last year's final AVCA national poll, is the first-round opponent. The Aggies, who posted a 33-4 record, are one of three teams on the schedule who were in the 2006 NCAA field. The Great Danes will also meet the Northern Arizona and UC-Davis.

UAlbany will host its own tournament in September. The field includes Brown, Northeastern and Eastern Michigan. The Great Danes are also entered in the VCU Thanksgiving Classic (Nov. 23-24), Sheraton-Penn Invitational (Sept. 22-23) and the Western New York Invitational (Sept. 1-2).

The Great Danes are slated to make a three-game swing through the state of Alabama on Sept. 9-10. UAlbany travels to Jacksonville State, before playing both Alabama State and Troy in the state capital of Montgomery. America East play begins on Sept. 28 against Hartford.

UAlbany finished with a 19-13 record last season in winning the America East crown for the second time in the last three years. Ashley Crenshaw, who averaged 3.02 kills per game, heads the list of returnees as a first-team all-conference selection. Kamisha Kellam, a 6-foot-1 middle hitter, earned second-team all-league recognition with 2.25 kills and 1.35 blocks per game.

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### 2007 University at Albany Women's Volleyball Schedule

**August** -- 24 (Fri.), New Mexico State+, 7:30; 25 (Sat.), at Northern Arizona+, 3:30; 25 (Sat.), UC-Davis+, 7:30.

**September** -- 1 (Sat.), West Virginia#, 10:00 a.m., 2 (Sun.), at Buffalo#, 2:00; 3 (Mon.), at Syracuse, 3:00; 9 (Sun.), at Jacksonville State+, 2:00; 10 (Mon.), at Alabama State, 3:00; 10 (Mon.), Troy (Montgomery, Ala.), 5:00; 14 (Fri.), **Eastern Michigan**^, 1:00; 14 (Fri.), **Northeastern**^, 7:00; 15 (Sat.), **Brown**^, 3:00; 22 (Sat.), Temple^, 1:00; 23 (Sun.), at Pennsylvania, 11:00 a.m.^; 23 (Sun.), Quinnipiac^, 1:00; 28 (Fri.), **Hartford**\*, 7:00; 29 (Sat.), **Stony Brook**\*, 7:00.

**October** -- 5 (Fri.), **New Hampshire**\*, 7:00; 7 (Sun.), **Maine**\*, 2:00, 12 (Fri.), at UMBC\*, 4:00; 15 (Mon.), at Binghamton\*, 7:00; 21 (Sun.), at Siena, 4:00; 26 (Fri.), at Stony Brook\*, 7:00; 27 (Sat.), at Hartford\*, 6:00.

**November** -- 2 (Fri.), **Binghamton**\*, 7:00; 4 (Sun.), **UMBC**\*, 3:00; 9 (Fri.), at Maine\*, 4:00; 11 (Sun.), at New Hampshire\*, 1:00; 23 (Fri.), at Virginia Commonwealth++, 7:00, 24 (Sat.), Long Island++, 1:30.

\*America East Conference Opponent

All Times Eastern

+Hilton Garden Inn NAU Invitational (Flagstaff, Ariz.)

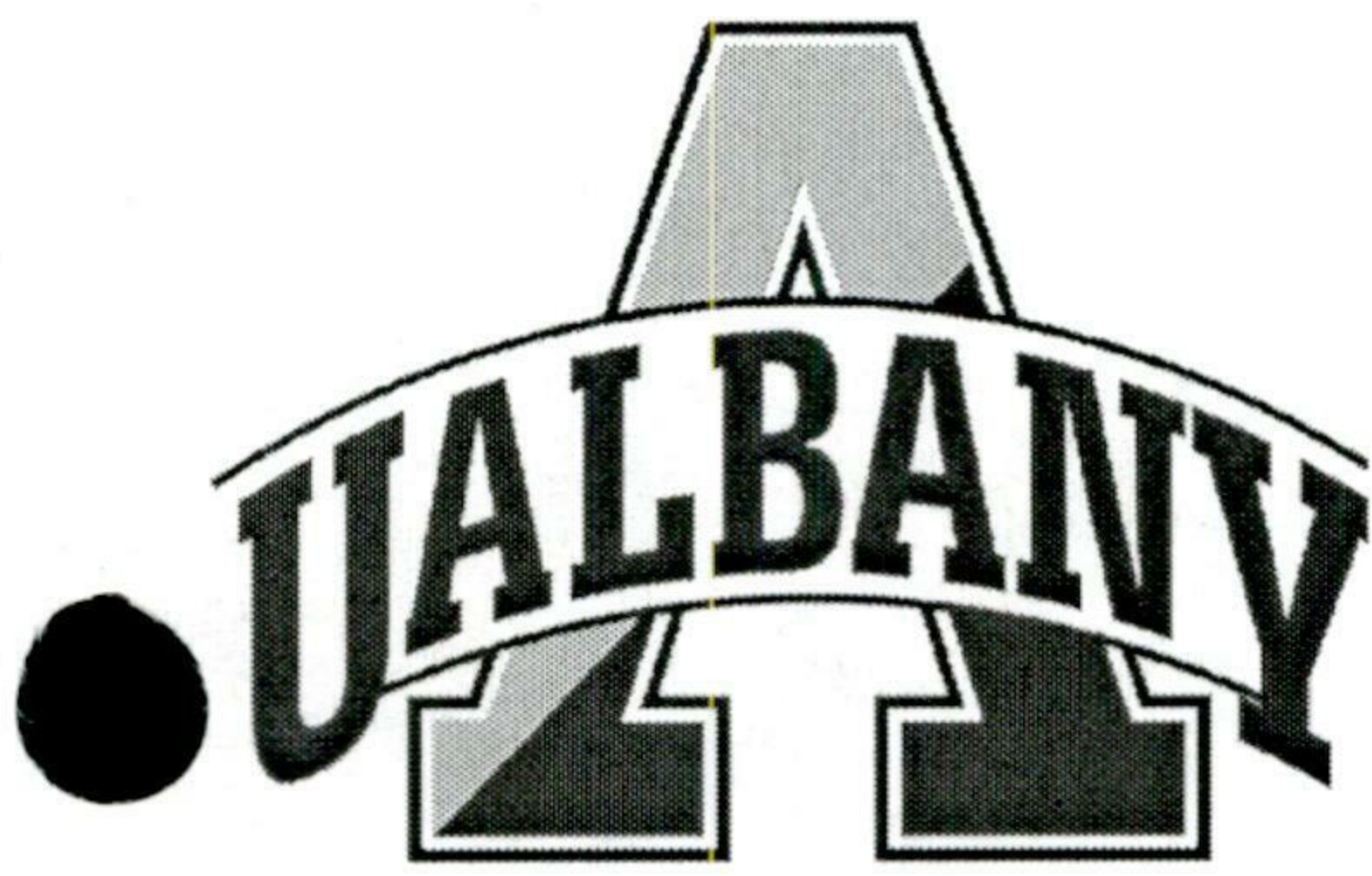
#Western New York Invitational (Buffalo, N.Y.)

^UAlbany Classic (University Gymnasium)

^^Sheraton-Penn Invitational (Philadelphia, Pa.)

++VCU Thanksgiving Tournament (Richmond, Va.)





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## NCAA REGIONAL BASEBALL TIMES CHANGE DUE TO NATIONAL TELEVISION COVERAGE

Fayetteville, Ark. – Times for the NCAA Division I Fayetteville Baseball Regional have been changed to accommodate CSTV's national broadcast. UAlbany will meet Arkansas, ranked 11th nationally in the Baseball America and USA Today/ESPN national polls, on Friday at 7:30 p.m. ET. The Razorbacks are hosting one of 16 regionals on June 1-4. Oklahoma State and Creighton are paired in the other first-round contest at 3:30 p.m.

Carter Blackburn is the play-by-play announcer for the Arkansas-UAlbany game. He will be joined in the booth by former major league player Kevin Stocker. CSTV is seen in more than 20 million homes via cable and satellite. CSTV is widely available on cable systems across the country, including Comcast, Time Warner, Cox, Cablevision, Charter, Insight, Bright House Networks, Mediacom, RCN, Advanced Cable and Bresnan. CSTV is also available on DIRECTV's Total Choice Premier Package Channel 610 and DISH Network's America's Top 120 Package Channel 152.

UAlbany (29-27) is making its first-ever NCAA appearance after capturing the America East Conference championship. The Great Danes, who have won eight of their last 10 outings, including three straight in America East postseason play, own the second-highest win total in school history.

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NCAA Fayetteville Regional Tournament Schedule (All Times Eastern)

Friday, June 1

Game 1 - #2 Creighton (44-14) vs. #3 Oklahoma State (38-19), 3:30 p.m.

Game 2 - #1 Arkansas (41-19) vs. #4 UAlbany (29-27), 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 2

Game 3 – Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 3:30 p.m.

Game 4 – Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 3

Game 5 – Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser, 3:30 p.m.

Game 6 – Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 7:30 pm.

Monday, June 4

Game 7 – Game 6 opponents (if necessary), 8:30 p.m.

## GERED BURNS WILL JOIN GREENE AND PALLOZZI AT NCAA TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Albany, N.Y. – Gered Burns (Guilderland) has been selected to compete at the 2007 NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships, as announced on Tuesday by the NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. The national championships will take place at California State University, Sacramento's A.G. Spanos Sports Complex on June 6-9. He joins teammates Joe Greene (400-meter hurdles) and Marc Pallozzi (javelin) in this year's NCAA competition.

Burns earned an at-large selection based on his school-record 1:48.20 time in the semifinals of the 800-meter run at the IC4A championships. Burns, a senior from Altamont, N.Y. who won this year's America East Conference title, becomes the fourth UAlbany male athlete to compete at nationals in the program's Division I history.

Greene and Pallozzi (Lansingburgh) each advanced to the NCAA championships for the second straight year with top-five finishes at last weekend's East Regional meet. Greene placed third in the 400-hurdles final, the best finish by a UAlbany athlete in regional competition, in a school-record time of 50.18 seconds. Pallozzi took fifth place at regionals by producing the second-best throw in the program's history with a mark of 226-feet, 8-inches.





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## UALBANY SET TO PLAY NO. 15 ARKANSAS IN NCAA REGIONAL BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany will meet seventh-seeded Arkansas in the first round of the 2007 NCAA Division I Baseball Championship on Friday at 8:00 p.m. ET, as the national tournament bracket was unveiled on Monday afternoon. The Razorbacks, who will host the Fayetteville Regional on June 1-4, are ranked 15th nationally with a 41-19 record. Oklahoma State (38-19) and Creighton (44-14) are also in the regional which will be played at Baum Stadium at George Cole Field, a 10,737-seat facility.

UAlbany (29-27) is making its first-ever NCAA appearance after capturing the America East Conference championship with a 1-0 victory over top-seed Binghamton last Saturday. The Great Danes, who have won eight of their last 10 outings, including three straight in America East postseason play, own the second-highest win total in school history. Steve Wyland, a first-team all-conference third baseman, batted .379 with 23 extra-base hits and 44 RBI. He drove in the game's lone run in the A-East championship game. Right-hander John Naples tied the program's single-season record for pitching wins with an 8-2 mark and a 3.29 earned run average.

"We are excited to go to Fayetteville," said UAlbany coach Jon Mueller, who has been the Great Danes mentor for all eight seasons at the Division I level. "I think the selection committee showed us some respect by placing us with seventh-seeded Arkansas. They must have felt that we have been playing some very good baseball after we won our conference tournament in three games."

Arkansas is making its 20th NCAA appearance, plus has advanced the College World Series on five occasions. The Razorbacks are hosting the regional tournament for the fourth time, including three of the last four years. Arkansas came up just short of winning its first Southeastern Conference (SEC) title after falling to top-ranked Vanderbilt in the conference championship last weekend. Pitchers Nick Schmidt (10-3, 2.85 ERA) and Jess Todd (9-2, 2.49 ERA) each earned first-team All-SEC recognition. First baseman Danny Hamblin totaled 22 home runs and 60 RBI.

Oklahoma State is in the NCAA field for the 35th time. The Cowboys, who have reached the CWS 19 times, finished third in the Big 12 Conference regular-season standings. Second baseman Tyler Mach (15 HR, 79 RBI), outfielder Corey Brown (19 HR, 65 RBI) and second baseman Ty Wright (.417 BA) each made the all-conference first team.

Creighton captured its first-ever Missouri Valley Conference championship. The Blue Jays are making their eighth NCAA appearance and reached the CWS in 1991. MVC Player of the Year Darin Ruff is hitting .377 with eight home runs and 56 RBI. Ben Mancuso, the MVC Pitcher of the Year, has a 10-2 record with a 2.28 ERA.

Tickets are on sale to the general public at the Razorback Ticket Center or online at [www.hogwired.com](http://www.hogwired.com). As of last Wednesday, approximately 1,600 reserved tournament books remained. Tournament books are \$70 for the regional. Individual game tickets will only be available on game day. All game day tickets, reserved and general admission/HogPen are \$15 each. For more ticket information, call 1-800-982-HOGS (4647).

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### **2007 NCAA DIVISION I BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET ANNOUNCED**

INDIANAPOLIS – The field of 64 teams competing for the 2007 NCAA Division I Baseball Championship was announced today by the NCAA.

The national top eight seeds are Vanderbilt (51-11), Rice (49-12), North Carolina (48-12), Texas (44-15), Arizona St. (43-13), Florida St. (47-11), Arkansas (41-19), San Diego (43-16).

The Atlantic Coast Conference leads all conferences in the number of teams in the championship field with seven, followed by the Big 12 with six. The Southeastern Conference has five teams, while the Big West, Conference USA and Pacific-10 has four teams each.

Twenty-nine of the 64 teams were not in the field last year, including Albany (N.Y.) (AQ), Brown (AQ) and Wofford (AQ), making the championship for the first time. Lafayette last was in the field in 1990, while Memphis is in the field for the first time since 1994 and Sam Houston St.'s last appearance was 1996.

Miami (Fla.) is in the field for the 35th consecutive year, extending its own record. Florida St. is making its 30th straight appearance, second all-time. Other long consecutive streaks: Clemson (21), Cal St. Fullerton (16), Rice (13) and Oral Roberts (10).

Of the 283 championship eligible Division I institutions which sponsor baseball, Vanderbilt has the most Division I wins with 51. Twenty-six other teams won at least 40 Division I contests and all are in the field.



Each of the 16 regionals features four teams, playing a double-elimination format. The regionals are scheduled to be conducted from Friday, June 1, to Monday, June 4. Selection of the eight super regional hosts will be announced on [www.NCAASports.com](http://www.NCAASports.com), Monday, June 4 at approximately 11 p.m. (ET).

The 61<sup>st</sup> Men's College World Series begins play Friday, June 15, at Rosenblatt Stadium in Omaha, Nebraska.

A complete bracket, including records and matchups, is attached.

## OTHER SELECTION INFORMATION

### FIELD BY CONFERENCE (30)

|                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| Atlantic Coast   | 7 (Clemson, Florida St., Miami (Fla.), North Carolina, North Carolina St. Virginia, Wake Forest) |
| Big 12           | 6 (Baylor, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma St., Texas, Texas A&M)                                   |
| Southeastern     | 5 (Arkansas, Mississippi St, Ole Miss, South Carolina, Vanderbilt)                               |
| Big West         | 4 (Cal St. Fullerton, Long Beach St., UC Irvine, UC Riverside)                                   |
| Conference USA   | 4 (East Carolina, Memphis, Rice, Southern Miss)  |
| Pacific 10       | 4 (Arizona St., Arizona, Oregon St., UCLA)   |
| Big East         | 3 (Louisville, Rutgers, St. John's (N.Y.))   |
| Big 10           | 3 (Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio St.)  |
| Sun Belt         | 3 (La.-Lafayette, New Orleans, Troy)   |
| Atlantic Sun     | 2 (Jacksonville, Stetson)  |
| Missouri Valley  | 2 (Creighton, Wichita St.)   |
| Southern         | 2 (Western Carolina, Wofford)  |
| West Coast       | 2 (Pepperdine, San Diego)  |
| Atlantic East    | 1 (Albany (N.Y.))  |
| Atlantic 10      | 1 (Charlotte)  |
| Big South        | 1 (Coastal Carolina)   |
| Colonial         | 1 (VCU)  |
| Horizon          | 1 (Ill.-Chicago)   |
| Ivy              | 1 (Brown)  |
| Metro Atlantic   | 1 (Le Moyne)   |
| Mid-American     | 1 (Kent St.)   |
| Mid-Continent    | 1 (Oral Roberts)   |
| Mid-Eastern      | 1 (Bethune-Cookman)  |
| Mountain West    | 1 (TCU)  |
| Northeast        | 1 (Monmouth)   |
| Ohio Valley      | 1 (Austin Peay)  |
| Patriot          | 1 (Lafayette)  |
| Southland        | 1 (Sam Houston St.)  |
| Southwestern     | 1 (Prairie View)   |
| Western Athletic | 1 (Fresno St.)   |



### FIELD BY STATE (26)

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| California     | 8 (Cal St. Fullerton, Fresno St., Long Beach St., Pepperdine, San Diego, UC Irvine, UC Riverside, UCLA) |
| Texas          | 7 (Baylor, Prairie View, Rice, Sam Houston St., TCU, Texas, Texas A&M)                                  |
| North Carolina | 6 (Charlotte, East Carolina, North Carolina, North Carolina St., Wake Forest, Western Carolina)         |
| Florida        | 5 (Bethune-Cookman, Florida St., Jacksonville, Miami (Fla.), Stetson)                                   |
| South Carolina | 4 (Clemson, Coastal Carolina, South Carolina, Wofford)  |
| Mississippi    | 3 (Mississippi St., Ole Miss, Southern Miss.)   |
| New York       | 3 (Albany (N.Y.), Le Moyne, St. John's (N.Y.))  |
| Tennessee      | 3 (Austin Peay, Memphis, Vanderbilt)  |
| Arizona        | 2 (Arizona, Arizona St.)  |
| Louisiana      | 2 (La.-Lafayette, New Orleans)  |
| Nebraska       | 2 (Creighton, Nebraska)   |
| New Jersey     | 2 (Monmouth, Rutgers)   |
| Ohio           | 2 (Kent St., Ohio St.)  |
| Oklahoma       | 2 (Oklahoma St., Oral Roberts)  |
| Virginia       | 2 (Virginia, VCU)   |
| Alabama        | 1 (Troy)  |
| Arkansas       | 1 (Arkansas)  |
| Illinois       | 1 (Ill.-Chicago)  |
| Kansas         | 1 (Wichita St.)   |
| Kentucky       | 1 (Louisville)  |
| Michigan       | 1 (Michigan)  |
| Minnesota      | 1 (Minnesota)   |
| Missouri       | 1 (Missouri)  |
| Oregon         | 1 (Oregon St.)  |
| Pennsylvania   | 1 (Lafayette)   |
| Rhode Island   | 1 (Brown)   |

### OTHER NOTES

Miami (Fla.) is in the field for the 35th consecutive year, extending its own record. Florida St. is making its 30th straight appearance, which ranks second all time. Other long consecutive streaks include Clemson (21), Cal St. Fullerton (16), Rice (13) and Oral Roberts (10).

Cal St. Fullerton, Clemson, Florida St., Miami (Fla.), Oral Roberts, Rice and Texas are the only teams to make it every championship since 1999, the first year of the current format.



## 2007 NCAA DIVISION I BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

### AUTOMATIC QUALIFIERS (30)

| Conference       | Team             | Record  | *Yrs. | History          |      | Last App. |
|------------------|------------------|---------|-------|------------------|------|-----------|
|                  |                  |         |       | Won              | Lost |           |
| America East     | Albany (N.Y.)    | 29-27   |       | First Appearance |      |           |
| Atlantic Coast   | North Carolina   | 48-12   | 22    | 53               | 45   | 2006      |
| Atlantic Sun     | Jacksonville     | 34-26   | 11    | 8                | 20   | 2006      |
| Atlantic 10      | Charlotte        | 47-10   | 3     | 0                | 4    | 1998      |
| Big East         | Rutgers          | 41-19   | 15    | 15               | 28   | 2003      |
| Big South        | Coastal Carolina | 48-11   | 7     | 5                | 12   | 2005      |
| Big Ten          | Ohio St.         | 37-22   | 18    | 37               | 34   | 2005      |
| Big 12           | Texas A&M        | 44-16   | 23    | 45               | 47   | 2004      |
| Big West         | UC Riverside     | 37-19   | 2     | 1                | 2    | 2005      |
| Colonial         | VCU              | 37-21   | 9     | 11               | 16   | 2005      |
| Conference USA   | Rice             | 49-12   | 13    | 54               | 29   | 2006      |
| Horizon          | Ill.-Chicago     | 34-19   | 3     | 0                | 4    | 2005      |
| Ivy              | Brown            | 27-19   |       | First Appearance |      |           |
| Metro Atlantic   | Le Moyne         | 34-17   | 4     | 3                | 6    | 2004      |
| Mid-American     | Kent St.         | 33-24   | 8     | 6                | 14   | 2004      |
| Mid-Continent    | Oral Roberts     | 40-15   | 19    | 25               | 36   | 2006      |
| Mid-Eastern      | Bethune-Cookman  | 33-25   | 8     | 1                | 14   | 2006      |
| Missouri Valley  | Creighton        | 44-14   | 8     | 11               | 14   | 2005      |
| Mountain West    | TCU              | 46-12   | 6     | 4                | 10   | 2006      |
| Northeast        | Monmouth         | 36-22-1 | 3     | 0                | 4    | 1999      |
| Ohio Valley      | Austin Peay      | 39-20   | 3     | 0                | 4    | 2005      |
| Pacific-10       | Arizona St.      | 43-13   | 31    | 129              | 60   | 2006      |
| Patriot          | Lafayette        | 33-18   | 10    | 13               | 16   | 1990      |
| Southeastern     | Vanderbilt       | 51-11   | 6     | 8                | 10   | 2006      |
| Southern         | Wofford          | 30-31   |       | First Appearance |      |           |
| Southland        | Sam Houston St.  | 38-22   | 4     | 3                | 6    | 1996      |
| Southwestern     | Prairie View     | 34-23   | 2     | 0                | 2    | 2006      |
| Sun Belt         | New Orleans      | 37-24   | 13    | 20               | 25   | 2000      |
| West Coast       | San Diego        | 43-16   | 4     | 3                | 6    | 2006      |
| Western Athletic | Fresno St.       | 36-27   | 29    | 50               | 60   | 2006      |

\*Including 2007



## 2007 NCAA DIVISION I BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

### AT-LARGE BIDS (34)

| Conference         | Team            | Record  | *Yrs. | History |      | Last App. |
|--------------------|-----------------|---------|-------|---------|------|-----------|
|                    |                 |         |       | Won     | Lost |           |
| Arizona            | Pacific-10      | 40-15   | 29    | 83      | 57   | 2005      |
| Arkansas           | Southeastern    | 41-19   | 20    | 41      | 40   | 2006      |
| Baylor             | Big 12          | 34-25   | 14    | 32      | 28   | 2006      |
| UC Irvine          | Big West        | 40-15-1 | 3     | 0       | 4    | 2006      |
| Cal St. Fullerton  | Big West        | 33-23   | 29    | 120     | 60   | 2006      |
| Clemson            | Atlantic Coast  | 38-21   | 33    | 91      | 67   | 2006      |
| East Caro.         | Conference USA  | 39-20   | 22    | 21      | 42   | 2005      |
| Florida St.        | Atlantic Coast  | 47-11   | 45    | 147     | 98   | 2006      |
| La.-Lafayette      | Sun Belt        | 43-15   | 11    | 17      | 21   | 2005      |
| Long Beach St.     | Big West        | 37-18   | 17    | 44      | 34   | 2005      |
| Louisville         | Big East        | 40-20   | 2     | 0       | 2    | 2002      |
| Memphis            | Conference USA  | 36-25   | 5     | 8       | 8    | 1994      |
| Miami (Fla.)       | Atlantic Coast  | 36-22   | 36    | 162     | 75   | 2006      |
| Michigan           | Big Ten         | 39-16   | 20    | 55      | 38   | 2006      |
| Minnesota          | Big Ten         | 40-16   | 28    | 49      | 52   | 2004      |
| Mississippi St.    | Southeastern    | 33-20   | 28    | 72      | 61   | 2006      |
| Missouri           | Big 12          | 40-16   | 19    | 38      | 37   | 2006      |
| Nebraska           | Big 12          | 30-25   | 11    | 28      | 21   | 2006      |
| North Carolina St. | Atlantic Coast  | 37-21   | 21    | 30      | 41   | 2006      |
| Oklahoma St.       | Big 12          | 38-19   | 35    | 126     | 75   | 2006      |
| Ole Miss           | Southeastern    | 37-23   | 13    | 33      | 26   | 2006      |
| Oregon St.         | Pacific-10      | 38-17   | 9     | 19      | 17   | 2006      |
| Pepperdine         | West Coast      | 35-20   | 24    | 50      | 46   | 2006      |
| St. John's (N.Y.)  | Big East        | 40-17   | 30    | 54      | 52   | 2005      |
| South Carolina     | Southeastern    | 42-18   | 23    | 84      | 49   | 2006      |
| Southern Miss.     | Conference USA  | 38-21   | 8     | 7       | 14   | 2006      |
| Stetson            | Atlantic Sun    | 41-19   | 15    | 15      | 28   | 2006      |
| Texas              | Big 12          | 44-15   | 51    | 202     | 98   | 2006      |
| Troy               | Sun Belt        | 34-25   | 4     | 2       | 6    | 2006      |
| UCLA               | Pacific-10      | 30-26   | 14    | 29      | 27   | 2006      |
| Virginia           | Atlantic Coast  | 43-14   | 7     | 9       | 12   | 2006      |
| Wake Forest        | Atlantic Coast  | 33-26   | 11    | 33      | 21   | 2002      |
| Western Caro.      | Southern        | 40-18   | 11    | 11      | 20   | 2003      |
| Wichita St.        | Missouri Valley | 49-19   | 25    | 66      | 48   | 2006      |

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## JOE GREENE & MARC PALLOZZI RECORD TOP-FIVE FINISHES AT NCAA REGIONALS

Gainesville, Fla. – University at Albany's Joe Greene and Marc Pallozzi each advanced to the NCAA championships in the 400-meter hurdles and javelin, respectively, for the second straight year on Saturday at the NCAA East Regional Outdoor Track & Field Championships. The two-day regional meet was held at the University at Florida's James G. Pressly Stadium at Percy Beard Track.

Greene placed third in the 400-hurdles final, the best finish by a UAlbany athlete in regional competition. He eclipsed his own school record by sprinting 50.18 seconds. He set the previous standard of 50.52 in the NCAA Championship's semifinal round last year. Georgia's Justin Gaymon, who took third at the 2006 regionals, was first in 49.61, while South Carolina's Thomas Hilliard grabbed second in 49.83. The top five finishers advance to nationals on June 6-9 in Sacramento, Calif.

Marc Pallozzi (Lansingburgh) finished fifth in the javelin by recording the second-best throw in school history of 226-feet, 8-inches on his final attempt. Pallozzi, who was tenth in this event at the 2006 nationals to earn All-America honors, set the UAlbany standard of 228-2 at last year's NCAA East Regional.

Mike McCadney and Jessica Ortman were edged out in their bids for a top-five finish. McCadney tied for fifth in the triple jump by breaking his own school record with a leap of 50-feet, 11.50 inches. However, he was placed sixth after the tie was broken with Georgia Tech's Alphonso Jordan based on a better second attempt in the final. Ortman, who set a UAlbany record in the 800-meter run in qualifying, was seventh in the championship race with a time of 2:07.32. Both athletes will be considered for NCAA at-large bids by a committee, with the announcement due on Tuesday.

Gered Burns (Guilderland) led UAlbany to a school-record effort in the 4x400-meter relay, as the Great Danes shattered the existing mark with a time of 3:08.86 to finish sixth. Burns ran 47.9 seconds on the third leg, while Junior Burnett and Joe Greene posted 46-splits in their sections. Pat Weider went 48.3 on the second leg of the relay. Florida won the competition in 3:06.31 as the top three relays qualify for nationals.

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### NCAA East Regional Outdoor Track & Field Championships

#### Men's Javelin Final

1. Adam Montague (North Carolina), 242-04, 2. Justin Ryncavage (North Carolina), 238-04, 3. Allen Pettner (Penn State), 232-06, 4. Tanner Evak (Penn State), 229-01, 5. Marc Pallozzi (Albany), 226-08, 6. Thomas Jordan (Coastal Carolina), 221-07, 7. Kevin Moore (Virginia Tech), 220-08, 8. Paul Rosiak (Brown), 220-06.

#### Men's 400 Meter Hurdles Final

1. Justin Gaymon (Georgia), 49.61, 2. Thomas Hilliard (South Carolina), 49.83, 3. Joe Greene (Albany), 50.18, 4. Andrew Peresta (Hampton), 50.26, 5. Jussi Heikkila (South Carolina), 50.28, 6. Steve Delice (Coppin State), 51.01, 7. Reggie Berry (North Carolina), 51.10, 8. Ronnie Beard (Maryland-Eastern Shore), 52.34.

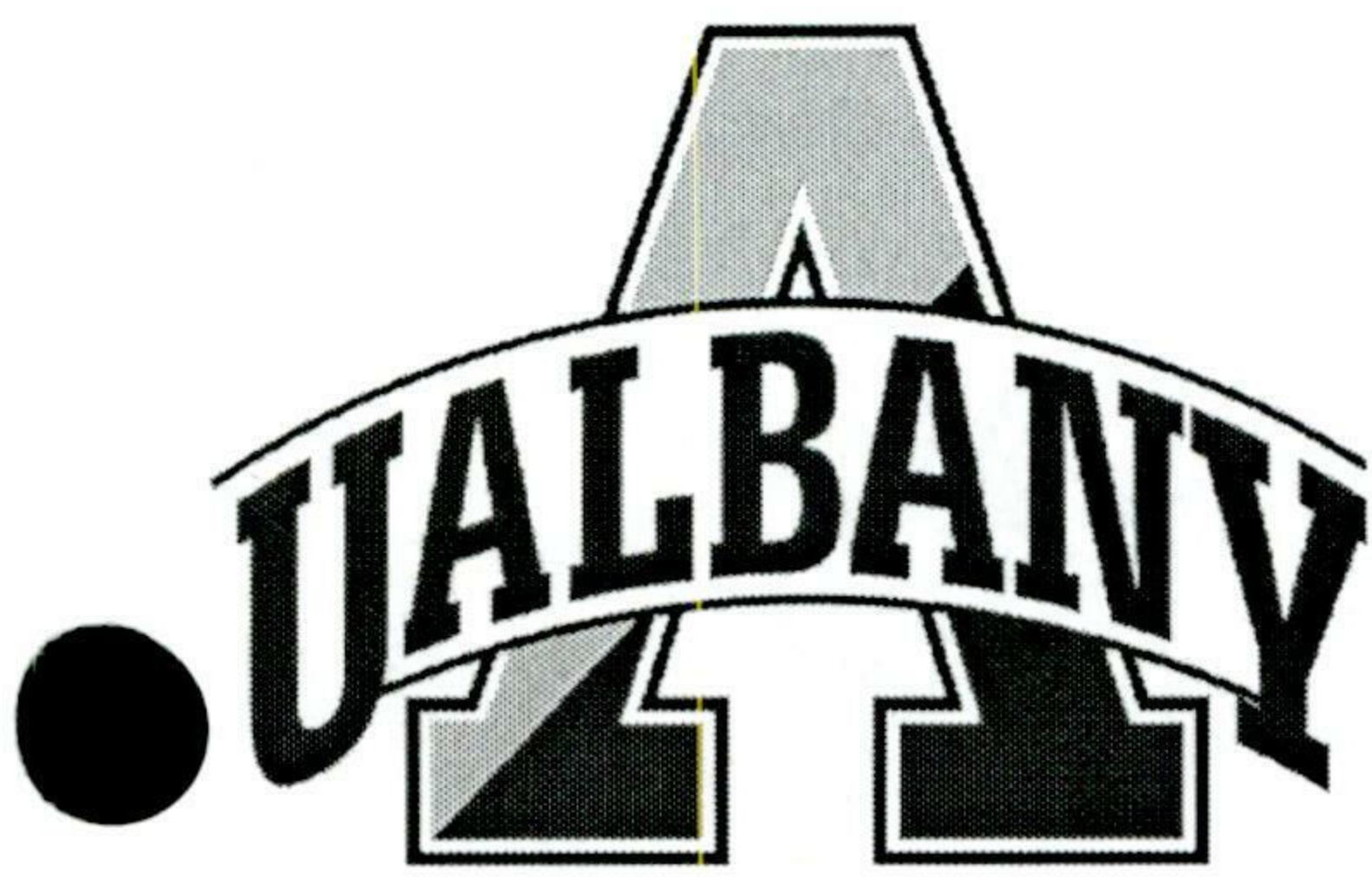
#### Women's 800 Meter Final

1. Morgan Uceny (Cornell), 2:04.51, 2. Georgia Kloss (North Carolina), 2:06.10, 3. Jesse Carlin (Pennsylvania), 2:06.29, 4. Caitlin Bailey (Boston College), 2:06.53, 5. Aja Jackson (Charlotte), 2:06.76, 6. Nana Hanson-Hall (Georgetown), 2:06.97, 7. Jessica Ortman (UAlbany), 2:07.32, 8. Lorain McKenzie (Florida), 2:10.43.

#### Men's Triple Jump Final

1. Muhammad Halim (Cornell), 53-05.00, 2. Ray Taylor (Cornell), 52-04.50, 3. James Lemons (Georgia Tech), 52-01.25, 4. Dexter Jules (Manhattan), 51-11.00, 5. Alphonso Jordan (Georgia Tech), 50-11.50, 6. Mike McCadney (Albany), 50-11.50, 7. Nasim Siddeeq (Robert Morris), 50-07.25, 8. Steven Zhang (Army), 50-07.25.





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## FOUR UALBANY PLAYERS ON 2007 USILA DIVISION I ALL-AMERICA LACROSSE TEAM

Baltimore, Md. – University at Albany's Frank Resetarits leads a group of four players who have been chosen to the 2007 USILA All-America Team, as announced on Saturday, May 26 by the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association. Resetarits, a finalist for the Tewaaron Trophy, becomes the first Great Dane to earn first-team All-America honors at the Division I level.

UAlbany's Jordan Levine (second team), Merrick Thomson (third team) and Brett Queener (honorable mention) were also recognized on the USILA All-America squad. Luke Daquino, an honorable mention selection two years ago, had been the lone All-American in the lacrosse program's history since the Great Danes upgraded to Division I in 2000.

"These players have put the UAlbany lacrosse program on the national map," said UAlbany coach Scott Marr, whose team was ranked second nationally for six consecutive weeks during the season. "Their selection to the All-America team shows how much we have grown and the respect UAlbany has gained across the country."

Resetarits, the 2007 America East Conference Player of the Year, ranks third nationally in scoring with 57 goals and 23 assists for 80 points, the third-best total in UAlbany annals. The senior attackman tied a career-high with eight points (6 goals, 2 assists) in the conference tournament championship against UMBC. Resetarits, a three-time first-team All-America East standout, finished his career with a 49-game scoring streak, which equaled the longest mark among active Division I players. He ranks second on the school's all-time scoring list with 241 points (158 goals, 83 assists).

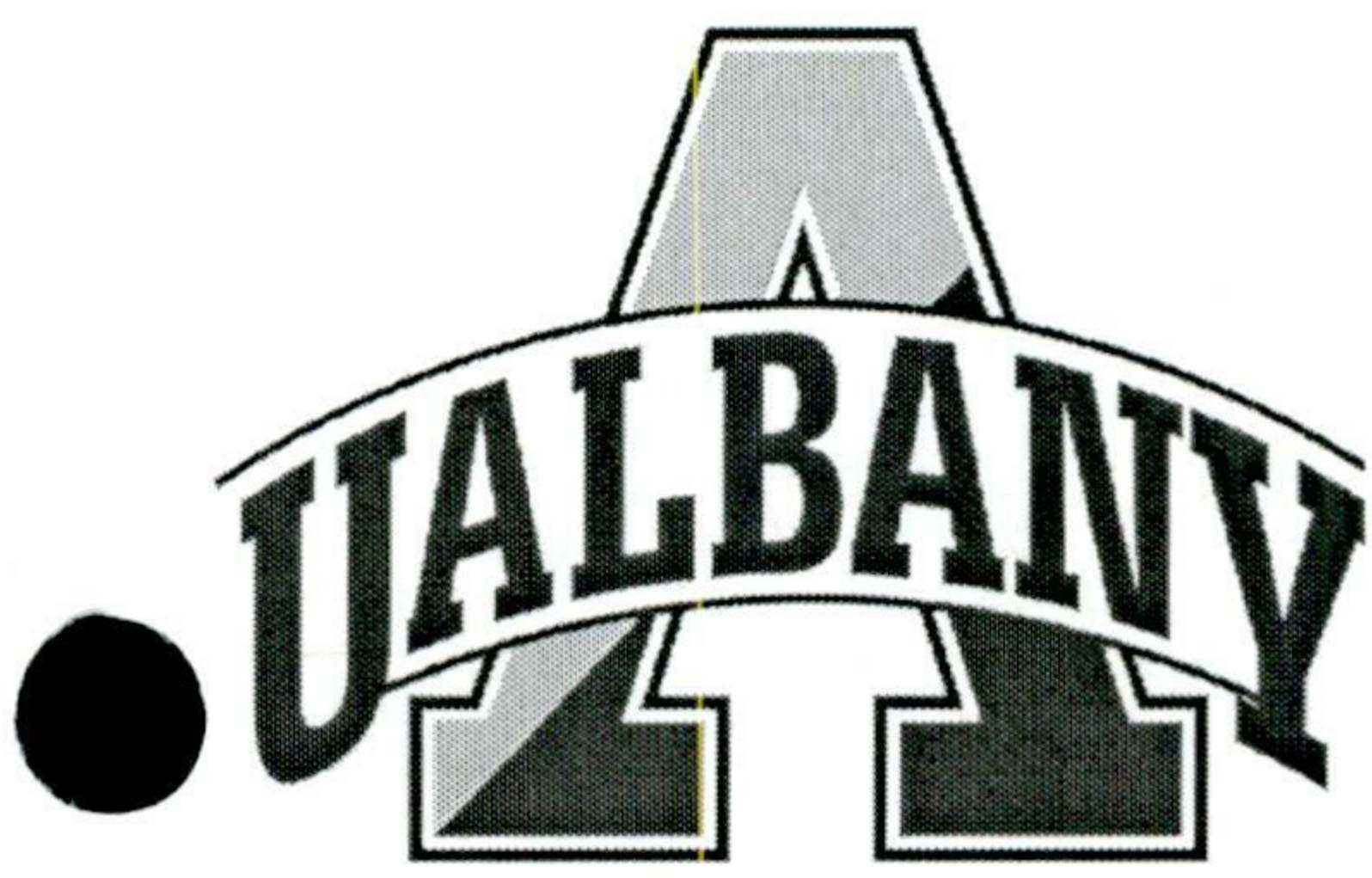
Levine, a junior midfielder, totaled 23 goals and 16 assists. He ranked 17th nationally in ground balls at 5.06 per game, plus set the program's Division I single-season record with 91. Levine, who scored multiple goals against eight opponents this season, equaled a career-best with five points (2 goals, 3 assists) vs. Loyola in the NCAA's opening round. He scooped up a career-high 11 ground balls against both Stony Brook and UMBC in America East postseason play.

Thomson was voted all-conference four times, including a pair of first-team selections, during his career. He netted 56 goals and ranks third among the nation's leaders at 3.11 per game. Thomson was named the America East Championship's most outstanding player after accounting for 10 goals and two assists in the postseason tournament. A native of Stony Creek, Ontario, Thomson participated in the 66th Annual USILA North-South Classic along with UAlbany teammate Frank Resetarits. He finished as the program's career scoring leader with 188 goals and 56 assists for 244 points.

Queener, a senior goalkeeper, posted a 9.68 goals against average and a .520 save percentage en route to setting a school record with 14 victories in the cage. He made double-figure saves on six occasions during the spring, including a season-high 14 against top-ranked Cornell in the NCAA quarterfinal round. Queener, who was also used as an attacker in man-advantage situations, added two goals and five assists.

UAlbany (15-3) captured its fourth America East championship in the last five years this spring. The Great Danes established a single-season record for victories, defeated seven top-20 opponents, recorded the first NCAA Division I win in the athletic program's history, and reached the national lacrosse quarterfinals for the first time.





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### UALBANY CAPTURES AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Farmingdale, N.Y. – Alexander Beaulieu recorded his tenth save of the season by striking out two batters in the ninth inning, as UAlbany captured its first-ever America East Conference championship with a 1-0 victory over Binghamton on Saturday afternoon at Farmingdale Park. The Great Danes earned an automatic NCAA Tournament berth.

Beaulieu, a junior closer, was called upon after Binghamton’s Joe Charron tripled into the right-field gap with one out off reliever Sean Gregory. The right-hander struck out Pat Haughie swinging with a fastball before walking Henry Dunn. Beaulieu then sealed the verdict when he caught lead-off hitter Justin Smucker looking with a slider on the third strike to end the game.

UAlbany starter Cory Warrings (Cairo-Durham), who had won two of his last four regular-season starts, went 6.1 innings on the mound. He allowed three hits and struck out two to earn the championship’s most outstanding player award. Warrings, a 6-foot-4 left-hander, allowed Matt Simek’s one-out double in the sixth, but then stranded him by recording a pop out to second and ground out to third.

UAlbany (29-27) scored the game’s lone run in the fifth when Leo Corvino (Columbia) walked with two outs and then moved to second base on a wild pitch. Steve Wyland, a member of the all-championship team, followed with a RBI single to center field. Sean Gregory, who relieved Warrings in the seventh, worked out of trouble twice. Charron walked and advance to second via a sacrifice bunt, before Gregory retired both hitters he faced in the inning. Simek, who went 2-for-3 at the plate, doubled down the right-field line with two outs in the eighth. But Gregory forced Jeff Monaco to ground out to the shortstop.

“This was a hard-earned win,” said UAlbany coach Jon Mueller, whose team recovered from a four-game sweep by Binghamton in April to make the America East postseason on the last weekend of the regular season. “Our seniors never gave up after that first conference series. (Cory) Warrings got in a comfort zone and kept his pitch count down. He got us to the best bullpen we’ve had since I’ve been here. I am going to take a deep breath and enjoy this magical ride.”

Jeff Dennis pitched six solid innings for the Bearcats, who dropped an 8-7 decision in the second round to UAlbany following a five-run ninth. Dennis gave up three hits, struck out eight and walked six in this pitcher’s duel that produced the first 1-0 result in conference tournament history. Reliever Greg Lane was even more effective as he threw three hitless innings.

“It feels great that I came through for the team,” offered Wyland, whose bases-clearing double was the key hit in the previous night’s two-out, ninth-inning rally. “Our pitching was unbelievable today. We knew they had to play that early game, so I think we had more energy and were a little fresher (for the championship). We played with the experience of having been in the tournament before. No one was nervous.”

Binghamton (28-19), the championship’s top seed after winning the regular-season title, reached the America East final earlier in the day by defeating Maine, 13-4, in an elimination game. Brendon Hitchcock, the conference’s player of the year, had three hits, including a solo homer in the first, and drove in four runs.

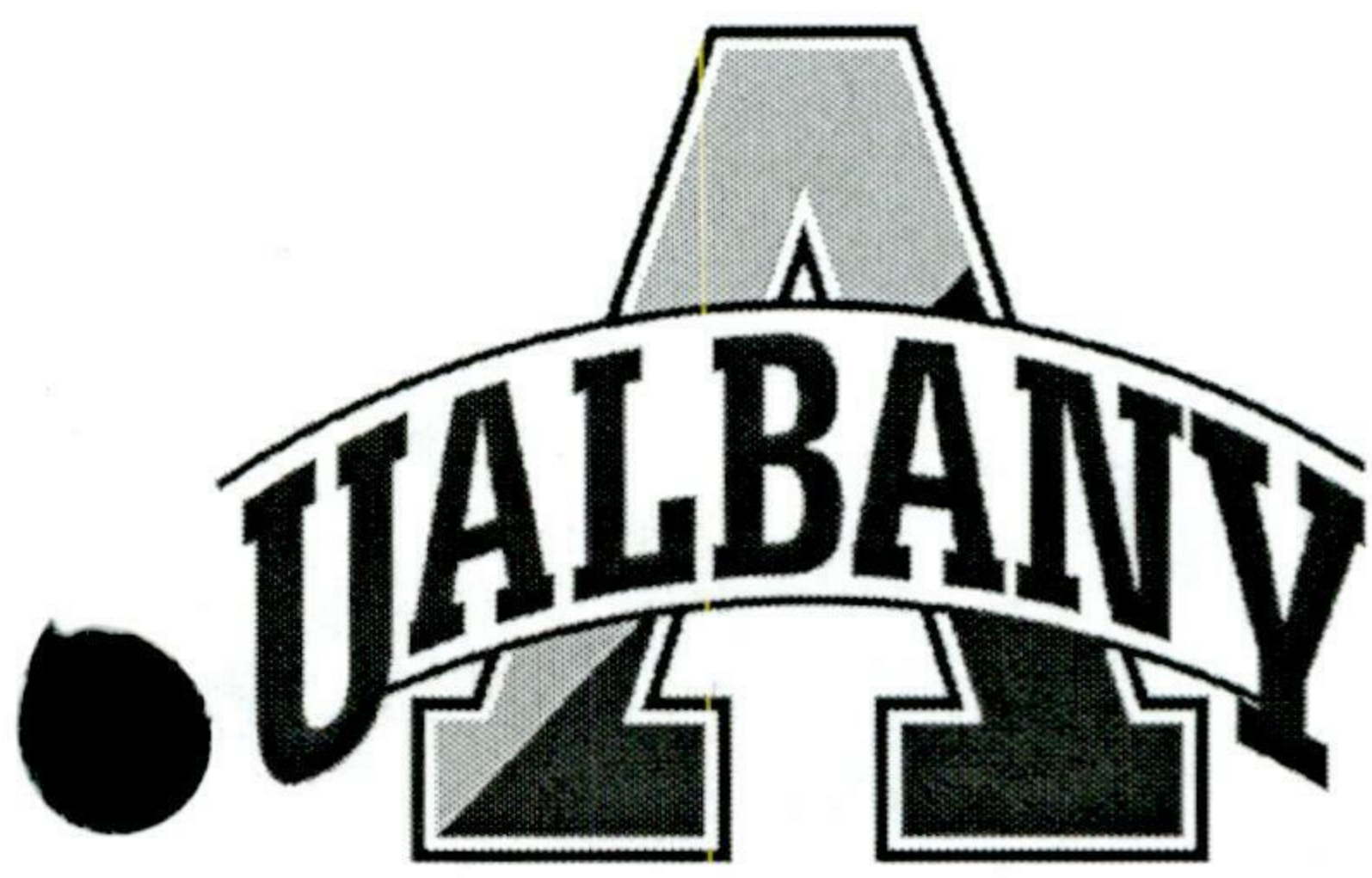
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#### America East Conference – Championship

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| Binghamton (28-19) | 000 | 000 | 000 | - | 0 | 6 | 2 |

Cory Warrings, Sean Gregory (7), Alexander Beaulieu (9) and Tom Hill.  
Jeff Dennis, Greg Lane (7) and Pat Haughie.





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### UALBANY RALLIES WITH FIVE-RUN NINTH TO ADVANCE IN A-EAST TOURNEY PLAY

Farmingdale, N.Y. – Sean Donovan’s game-winning single capped a five-run rally in the ninth inning to lead UAlbany to an 8-7 victory over Binghamton in the second round of the America East Conference Baseball Championship on Friday evening at Farmingdale Park.

The Great Danes advanced to the championship round on Saturday at 3:35 p.m. in this double-elimination tournament. The America East champion receives an automatic NCAA berth. The Bearcats will meet Maine, who upended second-seeded Stony Brook earlier in the day, in the loser’s bracket at 12:05 p.m.

Binghamton (27-18) had put together a solid performance for the second straight game prior to the ninth inning. The Bearcats, who captured the conference’s regular-season crown to earn the No. 1 seed, built a 7-2 lead heading into the bottom of the eighth.

Matt Simek, who went 3-for-4 at the plate with two runs and three RBI, helped get his club off to a good start. In the second, Kyle Klee was hit by a pitch and then worked his way to third base via a fielders’ choice and a sacrifice bunt. Klee then came across on Pat Haughie’s ground out to the shortstop. Binghamton scored three times in the third off UAlbany starter Casey Walsh. Justin Smucker and Ryan James started the uprising with back-to-back doubles. Smith delivered a run-scoring single through the left side, before Klee lined a RBI double down the left-field line.

The Great Danes, who defeated Stony Brook, 5-2, in the first round, would later slice the deficit in half. Second baseman Al Barbato belted a solo homer, his third of the year, over the right-field fence in the third. First baseman Steve Sayre scored Tom Hill, who had walked to lead off the fourth, with a sacrifice fly to left field.

Binghamton put together three consecutive singles in the fifth inning off reliever Josh Willimott. Simek, a first-team all-conference infielder, had the run-scoring hit in that sequence, and then smacked a solo homer in the seventh for a 6-2 advantage. Haughie scored in the seventh when he reached on a fielding error before coming across on a wild pitch.

UAlbany (28-27) started its two-out rally when Mike Konstanty ripped his third home run of the spring to left. The Great Danes then loaded the bases off closer Khalid Afify, who had five wins and six saves prior to being called in from the bullpen. Steve Wyland tied the contest by drilling a 3-1 fastball into the left-field gap for a bases-clearing double. After Hill was intentionally walked, Donovan delivered a soft-liner to center field that scored Wyland with the winning run.

“It’s the most remarkable game that I have been a part of,” said UAlbany coach Jon Mueller, whose team is in the America East championship final for the first time in the program’s history. “We have been playing with our backs against the wall for six weeks. I guess we just have thick skin after worrying about getting into the tournament for so long. I probably used up a few four-leaf clovers with the baseball gods after this one.”

Barbato, who scored three runs, and Donovan each finished with three hits for the Great Danes, who have won eight of their last 10 outings. Binghamton’s James had two hits and scored twice.

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#### America East Conference – Second Round

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| Binghamton (27-18) | 013 | 010 | 110 | - | 7 | 8  | 0 |
| UAlbany (28-27)    | 001 | 100 | 015 | - | 8 | 12 | 2 |

(two outs when winning run scored)

Mike Van Gorder, Murphy Smith (6), Khalid Afify (9) and Pat Haughie.

Casey Walsh, Josh Willimott (3), Jeff Kaier (6), Sean Gregory (8), Matthew Herrick (9) and Chris Wood.





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## JOE GREENE AND JESSICA ORTMAN ADVANCE TO FINALS AT NCAA REGIONAL MEET

Gainesville, Fla. – University at Albany's Joe Greene and Jessica Ortman each advanced to the finals through qualifying in the 400-meter hurdles and 800-meter run, respectively, on Friday at the NCAA East Regional Outdoor Track & Field Championships. The two-day regional competition is being held at the University at Florida's James G. Pressly Stadium at Percy Beard Track.

Greene won his heat and posted the third-best time in the preliminary round. He ran 50.56 seconds, just four-hundredths of a second off his school record set in the NCAA Championship's semifinals last year. Hampton's Andrew Peresta had the best mark in qualifying of 50.18, while Georgia's Justin Gaymon sprinted 50.37. Gaymon was third in the 2006 NCAA regional meet. Greene, a sophomore from Geneva, N.Y., will compete in the finals on Saturday at 7:10 p.m. ET. The top five finishers will advance to the NCAA Championships in June.

Ortman, a sophomore from Williamsville, N.Y., eclipsed her own UAlbany record with a time of 2:06.63 in the preliminaries. She broke a standard that was established at the 2006 USA Junior Nationals when she finished fourth in 2:06.94. Ortman, who did not advance to the regional 800 finals as a freshman, turned in the fourth-fastest time in qualify. The championship race is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. ET.

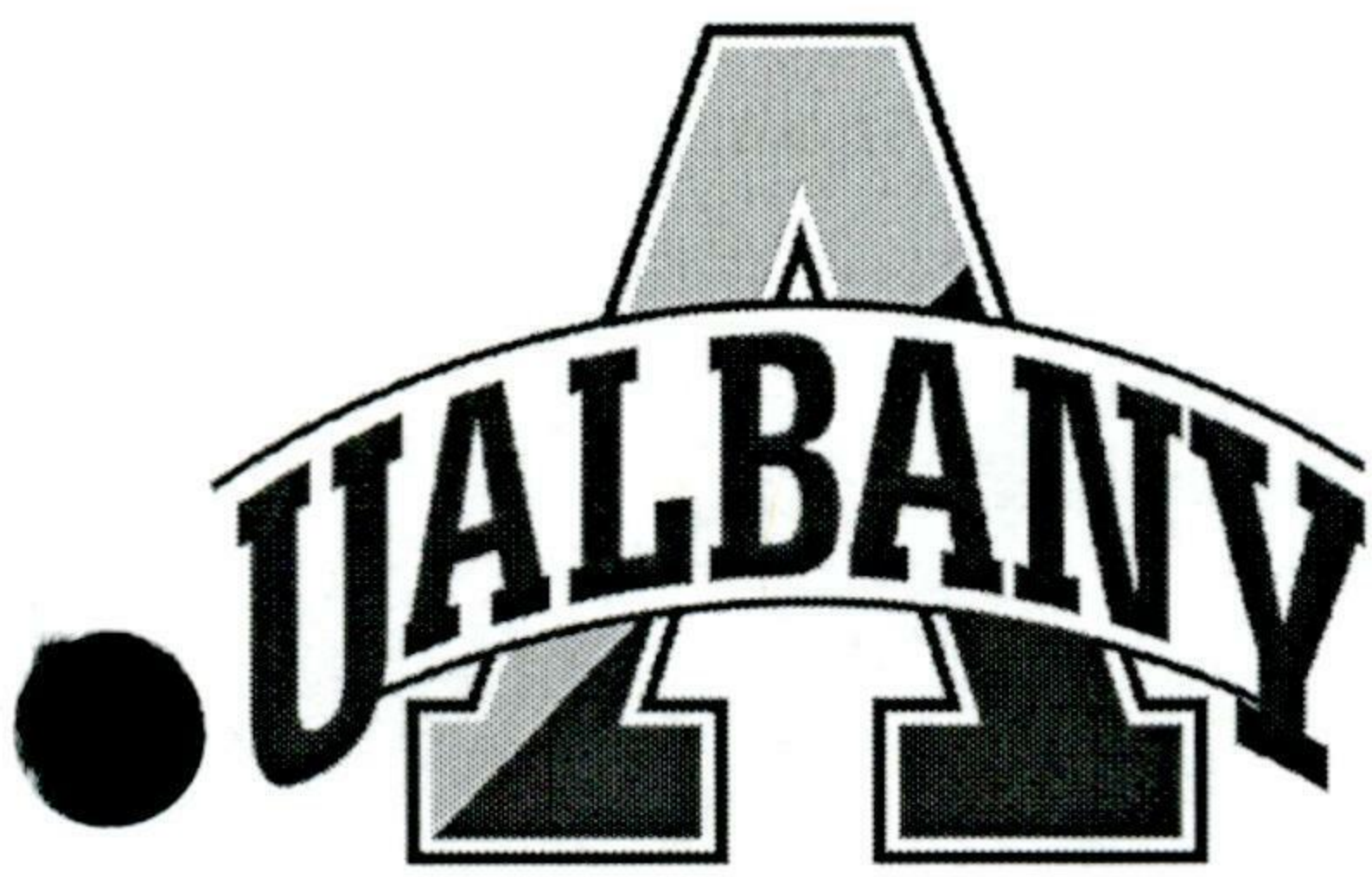
Gered Burns (Guilderland) was not as fortunate in men's 800-meters despite placing second in his heat by running 1:50.03. Burns, the America East champion and IC4A runner-up, finished just over one second out of the top-eight qualifying group. He could still possibly be granted an at-large berth to nationals based on his time.

"Joe (Greene) looked good today and I think he is ready to break 50 seconds," said UAlbany coach Roberto Vives, whose men's and women's outdoor teams captured this year's America East outdoor titles. "Jessica (Ortman) went out hard and is peaking at the end of the year. She has experience and is really prepared. Gered (Burns) was a bit unfortunate. He got boxed in, then almost tripped, and ran in a slow heat."

Felipe Reyes (Christian Brothers Academy) placed 10th in the long jump final with leap of 24-feet, 1.75-inches. Luke Schoen tied for 15th in the pole vault as he cleared the bar at 16-feet, 1.25-inches. Junior Burnett (100m-dash) and the 4x100-meter relay failed to advance out of the preliminary round.

Marc Pallozzi (Lansingburgh), who finished 10th at nationals one year ago, will compete in Saturday's javelin championship. Mike McCadney and Sarah Charles are entered in men's and women's triple jump, respectively. Burns, a senior from Altamont, N.Y., will run the third leg on UAlbany's 4x400m relay.





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### NAPLES PITCHES UALBANY TO AMERICA EAST FIRST-ROUND WIN OVER STONY BROOK

Farmingdale, N.Y. – Senior right-hander John Naples (Catholic Central) went seven strong innings to pick up his eighth win of the season in leading UAlbany to a 5-2 victory over Stony Brook in the first round of the America East Conference Baseball Championship on Thursday evening at Farmingdale Park. The Great Danes will meet Binghamton, a 9-3 winner over Maine, on Friday at 7:05 p.m. in the winner's bracket of this double-elimination tournament.

Naples, who allowed just a lead-off home run in the first inning, scattered seven hits while striking out one and walking one. He worked out of trouble on three occasions in the middle frames. He benefited from an unusual play in the third when Chris Sipp hit an apparent sacrifice fly to right field, but Robert Dyer was called out on an appeal play when he left the third-base bag early. Michael Stephan then flied out to center field for the third out.

In the fourth, Naples allowed back-to-back singles by Robert Leonard and Justin Echevarria to start the inning, but then retired the next three batters. Stony Brook (31-23) loaded the bases again in the fifth, but the UAlbany hurler forced Echevarria to fly out to center fielder Dave West. Naples, who improved 8-2 on the mound, equaled the program's single-season record for pitching wins established by Steve Emmerthal and Adam Kroft in 2004.

UAlbany (27-27) erased a 1-0 deficit with a three-run third inning. The Great Danes loaded the bases with one out when Chris Wood singled to right field, Leo Corvino (Columbia) singled off the pitcher's foot and Steve Wyland walked. After Stony Brook pitcher Tom Koehler recorded the second out on a strikeout, shortstop Sean Donovan lined a two-run double that bounced off the turf and over the left fielder's head. Wyland would then come across on a wild pitch.

The Great Danes, the championship's No. 3 seed, would add a pair of runs. Mike Konstanty singled and scored on a wild pitch with the bases loaded in the fourth. Tom Hill, who went 2-for-5 at the plate, doubled to lead-off the seventh and then came home when Steve Sayre (Columbia) drilled a two-bagger off the left-field wall for his 33rd RBI of the season.

"I thought Naples was a rock on the mound," said UAlbany coach Jon Mueller, whose team has lost their previous two America East opening-round games in 2004 and 2006. "He just threw quality pitches when he was in trouble and never caught too much of the plate. This is a confident group that thinks they have a chance in this tournament."

Stony Brook's Brian Witkowski collected three hits, including his third home run of the year, and scored a pair of runs. Koehler, who was lifted in the seventh, fell to 5-8 overall for the Seawolves, who face Maine in an elimination game on Friday.

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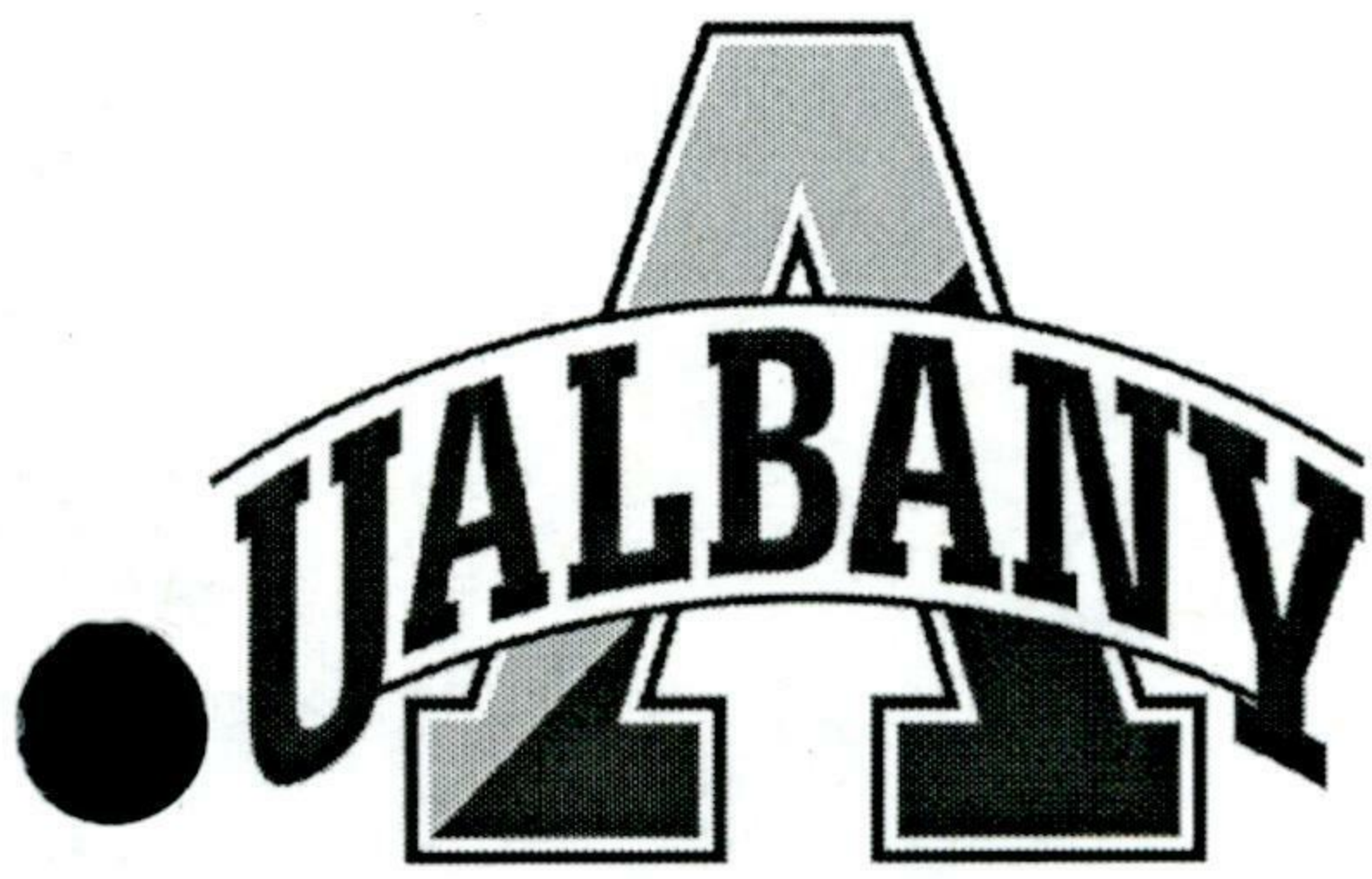
#### America East Conference – First Round

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| Stony Brook (31-23) | 100 | 000 | 001 | - | 2 | 8 | 1 |

Jeff Naples, Sean Gregory (8) and Chris Wood.

Tom Koehler, Joe Goglia (7) and Justin Echevarria.





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### **KATE FONTANA CHOSEN TO IWLCA ALL-NORTHEAST REGION SECOND TEAM**

Charlottesville, Va. – University at Albany's Kate Fontana has been named to the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA) All-Northeast Region second team. She is the first UAlbany athlete to earn all-region honors at the Division I level.

Fontana, a senior midfielder from East Syracuse, N.Y., led UAlbany in scoring with 38 goals and eight assists. She ranked seventh among the NCAA Division I leaders in caused turnovers (2.41 per game), plus averaged 2.71 ground balls and 2.47 draw controls.

Fontana became the first player in the lacrosse program's history to be chosen All-America East Conference four times, including three first-team selections. She completed her career as the school's all-time scorer with 192 points (156 goals, 36 assists), plus is second in goals and third in ground balls (251). Fontana led the Great Danes to their first-ever appearance in the conference championship game in 2007. She recently received an ECAC Merit Medal as the school's top senior female student-athlete.

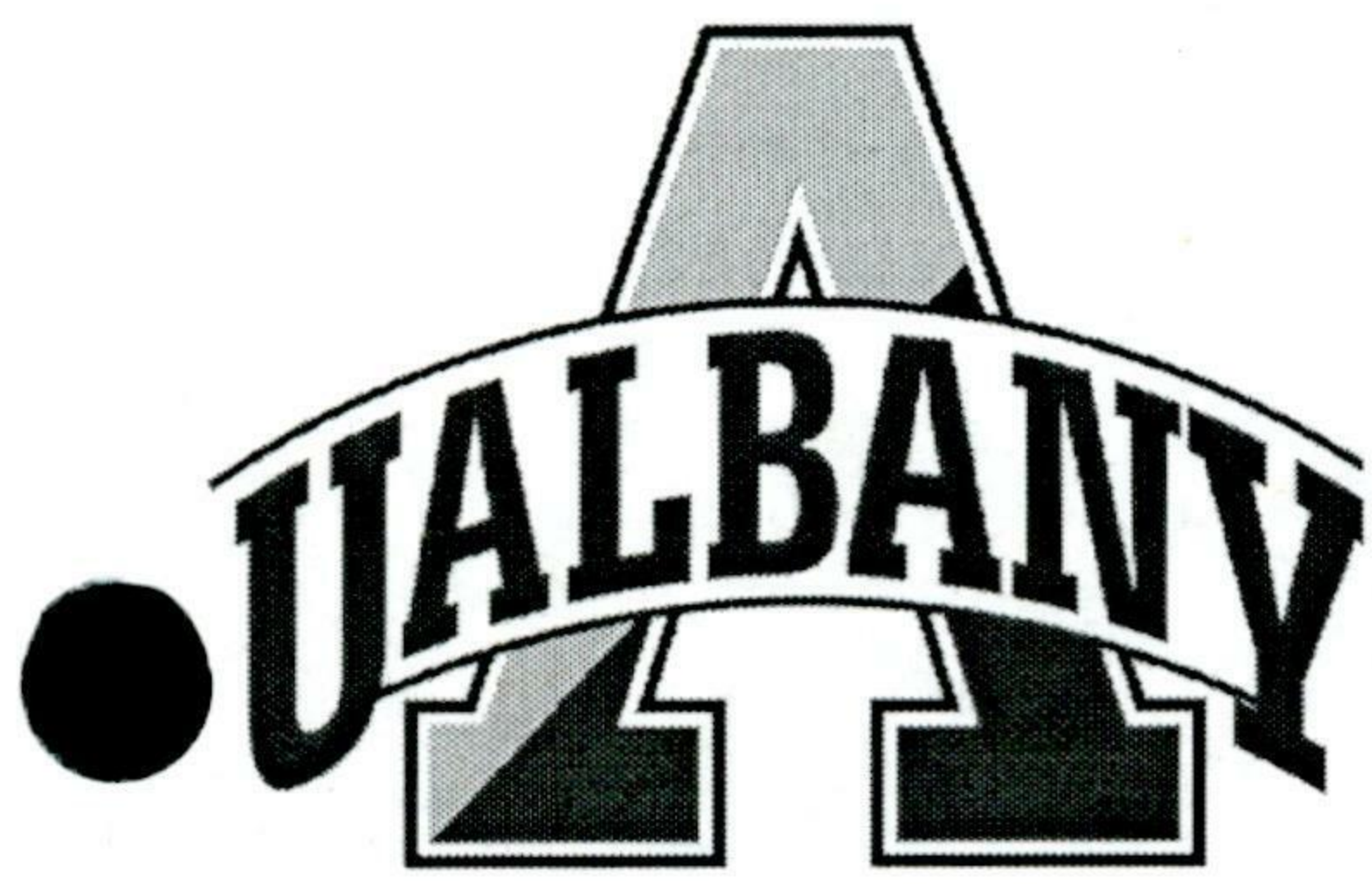
### **MIKE AMMANN NAMED TO ESPN THE MAGAZINE ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT FIRST TEAM**

Washington, D.C. – UAlbany's Mike Ammann has been chosen to the ESPN The Magazine District I Academic All-America Men's At-Large Team, as selected by CoSIDA (College Sports Information Directors of America). Ammann was named to the first team, while his twin brother, Steve, was a second-team selection. All first-team members move on to the national ballot.

Ammann, a junior midfielder on the men's lacrosse squad, has a 3.91 cumulative grade point average in accounting with a dual minor in business administration and mathematics. He earned second-team All-America East Conference recognition this season after scoring 11 goals and 20 assists. Ammann, who hails from Putnam Valley, N.Y., had a career-high five assists in the America East championship against UMBC and netted a pair of goals in an NCAA first-round victory over Loyola. He was named to the conference's all-academic men's lacrosse team.

Steve Ammann has a 3.89 GPA in business administration. He also was voted to the all-conference lacrosse second team. Ammann, a junior midfielder, totaled 13 goals and nine assists, and was a member of the America East all-academic unit. UAlbany (15-3) set a school record for victories and posted wins over seven top-20 teams.





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## FIVE UALBANY PLAYERS NAMED TO ALL-AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE BASEBALL SQUAD

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's Tom Hill leads a group of five players who have been named to the 2007 America East All-Conference Baseball Team as announced by the conference at the annual postseason championship banquet on Wednesday evening. Hill, a senior catcher, earned first-team recognition for the second consecutive year.

Joining Hill on the all-conference first team was senior third baseman Steve Wyland, sophomore outfielder Dave West and junior relief pitcher Alexander Beaulieu. Sophomore shortstop Sean Donovan was named to the all-conference second team for the second year in a row.

Wyland, a second-team honoree as a junior, leads the Great Danes with a .379 average. He has recorded a team-high 67 hits and 40 RBI this season to go along with 41 runs scored, 13 doubles, four triples and five home runs. Wyland received the conference's player of the week award on May 14. He ranks among UAlbany's all-time leaders in five categories, plus is just the fourth player in the program's history to record 200 hits (202) in a career.

Hill, who splits time between catcher and designated hitter, is batting .322. He is second on the team with 57 hits, including a team-best 20 doubles, and has driven in 32 runs while scoring 32 times. Hill, who was named conference player of the week once this season, is third in home runs (19) and third in doubles (37) on the school's career charts.

West received his first all-conference honor after playing 37 games as the Great Danes' primary center fielder. A safety on the UAlbany football squad, West hit for a .303 average, with 40 hits, including 10 doubles and four home runs.

Beaulieu also earned his first all-conference award after leading the pitching staff with a 2.25 earned run average. Beaulieu, who made 22 appearances out of the bullpen as UAlbany's closer, recording nine saves, the second-best single-season mark in the program's history.

Donovan finished the regular season second on the team with a .327 average off 50 hits, while also scoring 33 runs and driving in another 32.

Binghamton's Tim Sinicki was named coach of the year after leading the Bearcats to their first regular-season title. Binghamton senior Brendan Hitchcock was named player of the year, while Maine's Myckie Lugbauer earned rookie of the year honors. Stony Brook's Gary Novakowski took home the conference's pitcher of the year hardware.

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### 2007 All-America East Conference Awards

**First Team:** Alexander Beaulieu, UAlbany; Tom Hill, UAlbany; Dave West, UAlbany; Steve Wyland, UAlbany; Zach Groh, Binghamton; Brendan Hitchcock, Binghamton; Matt Simek, Binghamton; Justin Smucker, Binghamton; Matt McGraw, Maine; Will Delawter, UMBC; Rob Leonard, Stony Brook; Gary Novakowski, Stony Brook.

**Second Team:** Sean Donovan, UAlbany; Khalid Afify, Binghamton; Henry Dunn, Binghamton; Ben Sobocinski, Hartford; Joel Barrett, Maine; Billy Cather, Maine; Brad Hertzler, Maine; Curt Smith, Maine; Justin Echevarria, Stony Brook; Michael Stephan, Stony Brook; Brian Witkowski, Stony Brook; Bryan Rembisz, Vermont.

**All-Rookie Team:** Joe Charron, Binghamton; Henry Dunn, Binghamton; Greg Cinelli, Hartford; Chris Greiner, Hartford; Kevin Jackson, Maine; Myckie Lugbauer, Maine; Rob Dyer, Stony Brook; Michael Stephan, Stony Brook; Ethan Paquette, Vermont.

**All-Academic Team:** Khalid Afify, Binghamton; Brendon Hitchcock, Binghamton; Justin Smucker, Binghamton; Bill Perry, Hartford; Matt McGraw, Maine; Greg Norton, Maine; Will Delawter, UMBC; Brian Witkowski, Stony Brook; Jim Chapman, Vermont; Will Huntington, Vermont.

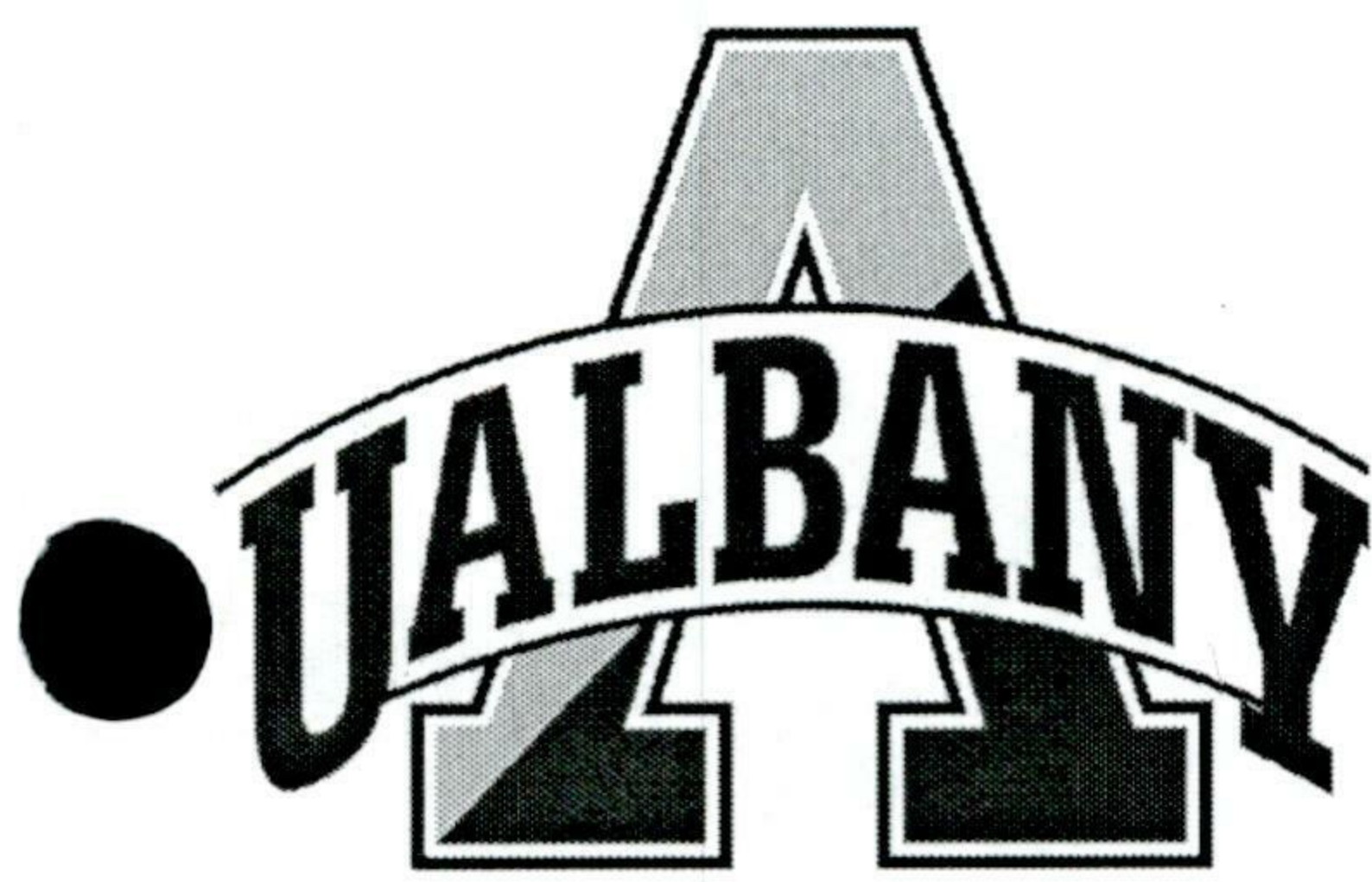
**Rookie of the Year:** Myckie Lugbauer, Maine

**Pitcher of the Year:** Gary Novakowski, Stony Brook

**Player of the Year:** Brendon Hitchcock, Binghamton

**Coach of the Year:** Tim Sinicki, Binghamton





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## UALBANY SENDS 17 ATHLETES TO NCAA TRACK & FIELD EAST REGIONAL

Gainesville, Fla. – Seventeen athletes, the largest group in the track and field program history, will represent the University at Albany at the NCAA East Regional Outdoor Track & Field Championships on May 25-26. The regional competition will be held at the University of Florida's Percy Beard Track at James G. Pressly Stadium.

The list of UAlbany qualifiers include Junior Burnett, Gered Burns (Guilderland), Ricardo Estremera, Joe Greene, Raphael Jean-Baptiste, Gabriel Lopez, Mike McCadney, Marc Pallozzi (Lansingburgh), Felipe Reyes (Christian Brothers Academy), Luke Schoen, Pat Weider, Freddie Wills, Adanna Andrews, Sarah Charles, Jenn Garrant, Brenna Militello and Jessica Ortman. The top five finishers in each individual event and the top three relays in the 4x100m and 4x400m will automatically qualify for the NCAA Championships on June 6-9 in Sacramento, Calif.

Burnett will compete in the 100-meter dash after winning his first America East Conference title. He is also a member of America East champion 4x100-meter and 4x400-meter relays. Burns, a senior from Altamont, N.Y., qualified for the NCAA East Regional in the 800-meter run. He posted a first-place finish at the America East championship and placed second at the IC4A meet. Burns ran a season-best 1:48.75 at the UAlbany Spring Classic in April.

Greene, a regional qualifier in both the 400-dash and 400-hurdles, will concentrate this weekend on the hurdles. He holds both school records in the 400-dash and 400-hurdles. The sophomore became first UAlbany track and field athlete to win two consecutive IC4A outdoor championships at the Division I level with a season-best 50.65 seconds in the hurdles. He will also compete as a member of the 4x100 and 4x400 relays.

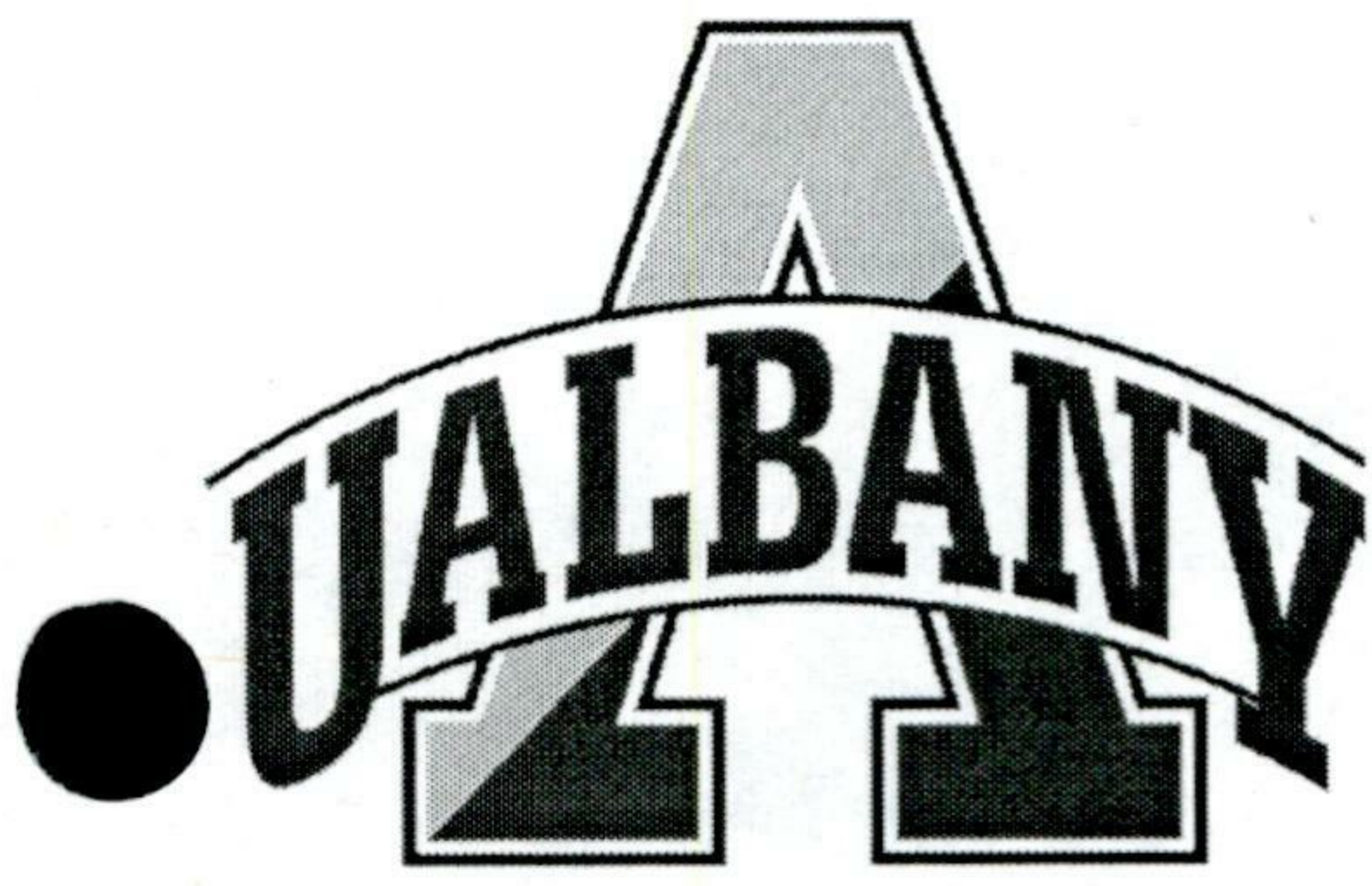
Pallozzi, the first UAlbany field athlete to earn All-America honors after placing tenth at nationals in 2006, will compete in the javelin for the third straight year. He has consistently thrown over 200-feet en route to garnering his second America East title and first IC4A crown this spring. Pallozzi holds the school standard with a toss of 228-feet, 2-inches. McCadney will compete in the triple jump after finishing second at the America East championship. He bested the UAlbany mark, established by Peter Rugel in 1991, by leaping 50-feet, 9.25-inches.

Reyes broke the long jump record, previously set by Luis Soto in 1998, with a mark of 24-feet, 6.5-inches in qualifying for the NCAA regional meet. Lopez won the long jump at the America East championship. Schoen, a freshman, is a regional participant after placing second at the America East championship in the pole vault with a school-record mark of 16-feet, 8.75-inches. Estremera won his first America East 3,000-meter steeplechase championship with a time of 9:03.46.

Ortman, a sophomore, qualified for NCAA regionals in two events, but will focus on the 800-meter run. She won the America East 1,500-meter run championship and recorded second-place finishes in the 3,000-meter steeplechase and 800m. She became the first UAlbany athlete to capture a Texas Relays' title with a winning effort in the 800-meters.

Charles, a senior from Central Islip, N.Y., eclipsed the UAlbany triple jump mark with a leap of 41-feet, 2.25-inches at the UAlbany Spring Classic. She also posted a second-place showing at the America East championships. Andrews, Garrant and Militello won America East titles in the 800m, long jump and high jump, respectively, to qualify for regional competition.





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### **UALBANY'S RESETARITS AND THOMSON WILL PLAY IN USILA ALL-STAR GAME**

Baltimore, Md. – University at Albany's Frank Resetarits and Merrick Thomson have been selected to play in the 66th Annual United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA) North-South Classic which features the nation's finest senior collegiate players. The all-star contest will be held at Calvert Hall High School in Towson, Md. on Friday, May 25 at 5:45 p.m. The game is part of the NCAA lacrosse championship weekend at Baltimore's M&T Bank Stadium.

Resetarits is currently third in the nation in scoring with 57 goals and 23 assists for 80 points, the third-best total in UAlbany history. A finalist for the Tewaaron Trophy, Resetarits was voted the 2007 America East Conference Player of the Year. He is second on the school's all-time scoring list with 241 points (158 goals, 83 assists).

Thomson earned all-conference recognition four times, including a pair of first-team selections, during his career. He ranks third among the NCAA Division I leaders in goals with 56 this season. Thomson, who was named the America East Championship's most outstanding player, is the program's all-time scorer with 188 goals and 56 assists for 244 points.

Resetarits and Thomson led the Great Danes to their fourth America East championship in the last five years in 2007. UAlbany (15-3) set a single-season record for victories, defeated seven top-20 teams, and reached the NCAA quarterfinal round for the first time in the program's history.





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### UALBANY POSTS A 5-4 COMEBACK WIN OVER VERMONT IN A-EAST FINALE

Burlington, Vt. – Senior second baseman Al Barbato finished 1-for-3 with two runs scored to lead UAlbany to a 5-4 win over Vermont in the finale of the America East Conference series on Sunday afternoon at Centennial Field. The Great Danes have secured a spot in the conference tournament, with final seeding to be determined on Monday.

UAlbany (26-27, AE 13-11) broke a scoreless tie in the fifth inning, scoring two runs in the frame. After first baseman Steve Sayre (Columbia) and second baseman Al Barbato recorded back-to-back singles to start the inning, left fielder Mike Konstanty doubled down the left field line to send Sayre across home plate. Centerfielder Dave West followed with an RBI single that scored Barbato to give the Great Danes a 2-0 lead.

Vermont (21-29, AE 10-13) responded in the bottom half of the inning, as right fielder Nate Matusick led off with a double to right center. Jim Chapman scored Matusick with an RBI single two batters later to cut the Catamounts' deficit in half. Bryan Rembisz, who was walked by UAlbany pitcher Cory Warrings, stole third to put himself in scoring position, and tied the game after coming home on a sacrifice fly by Ethan Paquette.

The Catamounts took a 4-2 lead in the bottom of the eighth, scoring back-to-back runs on an RBI single by catcher Jeff Nolet and a fielder's choice by Kyle Henry.

The Great Danes responded with three runs in the top of the ninth to reclaim the lead. Pinch-runner Tom Zink scored on a wild pitch while Chris Wood and Barbato tacked on runs off an RBI single by Phil Marchese to give the Great Danes a one-run lead.

Jeff Kaier picked up the win for UAlbany, after going 1.1 innings on the mound. Reliever Alexander Beaulieu recorded his ninth save of the season, getting the final two outs of the game.

Nolet went 3-for-4 with one RBI for Vermont. Henry tossed a complete game for the Catamounts, striking out five and allowing just two earned runs.

The America East Tournament will be held at Farmingdale State College in Farmingdale, N.Y., with Stony Brook serving as the host institution. UAlbany's seeding in the championship will be determined on Monday, after Binghamton and Maine wrap up a conference series that was pushed back due to inclement weather.

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Cory Warrings, Chris Ott (6), Jeff Kaier (8), Alexander Beaulieu (9) and Brendan Rowland, Chris Wood.

Kyle Henry and Jeff Nolet.





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**NO. 7 BAYLOR SHUTS DOWN UALBANY IN NCAA SOFTBALL REGIONAL FINAL**

Hempstead, N.Y. – Ashley Monceaux had three hits, including a home run, and drove in four runs in leading Baylor to a 10-0 victory over UAlbany in the NCAA Softball Championship’s Hempstead Regional Final on Sunday afternoon at Hofstra Softball Stadium. The Bears, who are ranked seventh nationally, advanced to the Super Regionals on May 25-26.

Starting pitcher Lisa Ferguson was in complete control after allowing a lead-off single to UAlbany’s Amber Maisonet in the first inning. Ferguson, who improved to 23-7 in the circle, mowed down the next 12 batters before giving way to reliever Kirsten Shortridge in the fifth. The right-hander struck out four.

Baylor (48-13) took a 1-0 lead in its first at bat when Monceaux and Shortridge started with back-to-back singles. Monceaux, a first-team All-Midwest Region first baseman, would later score on catcher Chelsi Lake’s sacrifice fly.

The Bears, who are in the Super Regionals for the second time in the last three years, and will host Michigan next weekend, scored three times in the fourth. Tiffany Wesley, who went 3-for-3 with two runs, singled and stole second base before Kelsey Sage walked. After Alex Colyer sacrificed the runners to second and third, Wesley scampered home on Miriam Romero’s single deep into the hole on the left side on the infield. Monceaux followed with a two-run double that rolled to the wall in the left-field gap for a 4-0 lead.

Baylor added a six-run fifth inning to put the game away. Wesley delivered a run-scoring double, before an error and a wild pitch led to more trouble. Monceaux, who was 3-for-4 on the day, capped the uprising with a long two-run homer over the center field fence, her 18th of the season.

“We wanted to send a message that we were the best team in this region,” said Lake, who had two home runs and six RBI in Baylor’s three regional games. “We scored a lot of runs and had some great pitching. We are excited about going home to play in front of family and friends.”

UAlbany (35-17) lost to Baylor, 8-2, in this double-elimination tournament’s first round on Friday, but then battled through the loser’s bracket on Saturday to make its first-ever regional championship appearance. The Great Danes, who won the America East Conference title, defeated Harvard, 1-0, and Hofstra, 4-2, for the first-ever NCAA wins in the program’s Division I history. Casey Halloran, who had a brief stint as a reliever to finish out the fifth inning for starter Leah McIntosh, finished her career as the school’s all-time leader in wins (73) and strikeouts (595).

“We didn’t play as well as we wanted,” said UAlbany coach Chris Cannata, whose program reached the 35-win mark for the third straight season. “But we are proud that were playing in the (regional) finals. It was huge for our program to be here.”

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Lisa Ferguson, Kirsten Shortridge (5) and Chelsi Lake, Courtney Oberg.

Leah McIntosh, Casey Halloran (5) and Kat Smith.

2007 NCAA Division I Softball \* Hempstead Regional

Friday, May 18

Game 1 - #1 Baylor 8, #4 Albany 2

Game 2 - #2 Hofstra 3, #3 Harvard 2, 9 innings

Saturday, May 19

Game 3 - Baylor 7, Hofstra 2

Game 4 - Albany 1, Harvard 0 (Harvard eliminated)

Game 5 - Albany 4, Hofstra 2 (Hofstra eliminated)

Sunday, May 20 (Championship Round)

Game 6 - Baylor 10, Albany 0 (Albany eliminated)





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## **UALBANY ADVANCES TO NCAA REGIONAL TOURNAMENT FINAL AGAINST BAYLOR**

Hempstead, N.Y. – Leah McIntosh tossed a complete game, striking out six to lead UAlbany to a 1-0 win over Harvard in the second round of the NCAA Regional Tournament at Hofstra Softball Stadium on Saturday afternoon. The win was the first in championship play for the Great Danes, who are making their third straight appearance in the NCAA Tournament.

McIntosh worked her way out of a bases-loaded jam in the top of the third, inducing a pop-out to first baseman Leanne Tillman by Harvard's Melissa Schellberg.

UAlbany (35-16) broke a scoreless tie in the bottom of the fifth, as left fielder Amber Maisonet drove in pinch-runner Shane Pais with a single up the middle. Pais took over for catcher Kat Smith, who reached on a walk to start the inning. The Great Danes produced back-to-back sacrifice bunts to advance the runner into scoring position.

Harvard's Shelly Madick allowed just three hits on the afternoon, fanning four UAlbany batters. Second baseman Julia Kidder finished with two hits for the Crimson.

With the win, the Great Danes advanced to the second elimination game of the day, against host Hofstra, who dropped a 7-2 decision to Baylor in the first game of the day. Senior right-hander Casey Halloran got Pride leftfielder Melissa Hodge to fly out to left to get out of a bases-loaded situation in the bottom of the first inning in the second game of the day.

UAlbany loaded the bases in the top of the third, as Hofstra's Courtney Oliver walked Maisonet to give the Great Danes a scoring opportunity. Second baseman Michelle Connors gave UAlbany a 1-0 lead with a bloop single over the head over the second baseman to send Pais across home plate. Hofstra jumped ahead to a 2-1 lead on a two-run homer by shortstop Pam Dreslinski in the top of the fourth inning.

Connors put the Great Danes back ahead by a run in the fifth, hitting a two-run blast of her own over the left field fence. Right fielder Michelle Pechacek, who reached on a single up the middle, also scored, giving UAlbany a 3-2 lead.

Third baseman Kelly Ogden gave the Great Danes an insurance run in the top of the seventh, knocking a two-out single through the middle to drive in Maisonet.

Hofstra got runners in scoring position in the bottom of the seventh as catcher Carolann Lubach drove a double down the left field line to advance Erika Bernstein to third. Halloran induced a fly out to centerfield by Dreslinski to end the game and send the Great Danes to the regional final.

This is a huge win," said UAlbany head coach Chris Cannata. "The Harvard game was the first win we had in the NCAA Tournament. It was also the first win for our conference in the tournament. We have been close the last couple years, but we needed to get over the hump. So being in the final is huge for us as a program."

UAlbany advances to the NCAA Regional Final against Baylor on Sunday at noon. The Great Danes must defeat the Lady Bears twice to take the regional title.

## **UALBANY SPLITS DOUBLEHEADER WITH VERMONT TO SECURE A-EAST TOURNAMENT BERTH**

Burlington, Vt. - Tom Hill went 2-for-3 with two runs scored and two RBI to lead UAlbany to an 8-2 win over Vermont in the second game of an America East Conference doubleheader on Saturday afternoon at Centennial Field. The Great Danes dropped a 2-1 decision in 10 innings to the Catamounts in the early game. With the win, UAlbany clinches a spot in the America East Tournament, to be held next week.

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Junior right-hander Casey Walsh went 6.2 innings in the nightcap to earn his fifth win of the season, striking out four. Reliever Alexander Beaulieu entered the game in the sixth to close out the game with the final out.

UAlbany (25-27, AE 12-11) took a 6-1 lead in the fifth inning, scoring five times on just one hit taking advantage of five walks, a hit batter, a balk, a passed ball and a Vermont error as four of the runs were unearned.

Third baseman Steve Wyland and first baseman Steve Sayre also finished with multiple hits for the Great Danes, as each scored a run and Sayre drove in another.

In the first game of the day, UAlbany scored a run in the fifth off Vermont starter Justin Albert and was headed for its second straight win over the Catamounts before Jeff Heppner led off the seventh with his third hit of the game. Will Huntington followed with a triple to right center, scoring pinch runner Nate Matusick.

Vermont's Bryan Rembisz broke the tie in the bottom of the tenth inning, after leading off with an infield single. He advanced on a sacrifice fly by Jim Chapman, and was driven home on an RBI single up the middle by Ethan Paquette.

Josh Willimott hurled six scoreless innings for UAlbany before being relieved in the seventh by Sean Gregory. Gregory tossed the final four innings and took the loss. Sayre scored the only run for the Great Danes in the game, leading off with a single and crossing home plate on an error by Vermont (21-28, AE 10-12).

The two teams wrap up the series with a 5 p.m. game on Sunday afternoon.





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## NINE UALBANY TRACK & FIELD ATHLETES EARN ALL-ACADEMIC A-EAST HONORS

Boston, Mass. -- Sophomore Jessica Ortman, the current 1,500-meter America East Conference champion and the NCAA Regional qualifier, leads a group of nine UAlbany student-athletes who earned a spot on the America East Conference Outdoor Track and Field All-Academic squad, as announced by the conference office on Friday, May 18.

Ortman, who captured her second consecutive 1,500-meter championship earlier this month, posted a 3.91 cumulative grade point average. Joining Ortman on the women's side were Adanna Andrews, Sarah Charles, Jenn Garrant and Brenna Militello.

Sophomore Freddie Wills was one of four men's student-athletes selected, after winning the triple jump at the A-East Outdoor Championships and achieving a 3.00 GPA. Junior Renauld Buck, senior Ray Gilman and junior Raphael Jean-Baptiste also earned all-academic team honors.

All-Academic Team has been selected based on the student-athlete's academic and athletic accomplishments. Academic achievement for consideration requires student-athletes to have a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.00 entering the season. Track & field, student-athletes are required to be a top-three finisher at the conference championship meet.

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### Women's Outdoor Track & Field

Adanna Andrews, UAlbany  
Sarah Charles, UAlbany  
Jennifer Garrant, UAlbany  
Jessica Ortman, UAlbany  
Brenna Militello, UAlbany  
Dayna Johnson, Binghamton  
Katie Radzik, Binghamton  
Keisha Short, Binghamton  
Katie Wilmer, Binghamton  
Marsha Fiesinger, Binghamton  
Rebecca Marshburn, Boston University  
Claire Robson, Boston University  
Marisa Ryan, Boston University  
Michalak Clarissa, Maine  
Erin Hatch, Maine  
Jenelle Wilson, UMBC  
Erin Moore, New Hampshire  
Cathy Parker, New Hampshire  
Dana Hastie, Stony Brook  
Corinne DiPietro, Vermont  
Carmen Lagala, Vermont  
Heather Mitchell, Vermont

### Men's Outdoor Track & Field

Renauld Buck, UAlbany  
Ray Gilman, UAlbany  
Raphael Jean-Baptiste, UAlbany  
Freddie Wills, UAlbany  
Rory Quiller, Binghamton  
Barry Graham, Boston University  
Phil Shaw, Boston University  
Eric Libby, Maine  
Aaron James, UMBC  
Andrew Lawson, New Hampshire  
Clayton Curtis, Vermont





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## UALBANY SOFTBALL FALLS TO BAYLOR IN FIRST ROUND OF NCAA REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

Hempstead, N.Y. – Catcher Courtney Oberg went 3-for-4 with one run scored and two RBI to lead Baylor to a 8-2 win over UAlbany in the first round of the NCAA Regional Tournament at Hofstra Softball Stadium on Friday afternoon.

Baylor (46-13) opened up a 3-0 lead in the first inning. Ashley Monceaux and Kirsten Shortridge drew back-to-back walks before Brette Reagan recorded a bunt single. The runners advanced and Monceaux scored on an error by UAlbany third baseman Kelly Ogden. After Shortridge scored on a passed ball, Courtney Oberg singled to left field to drive in Reagan.

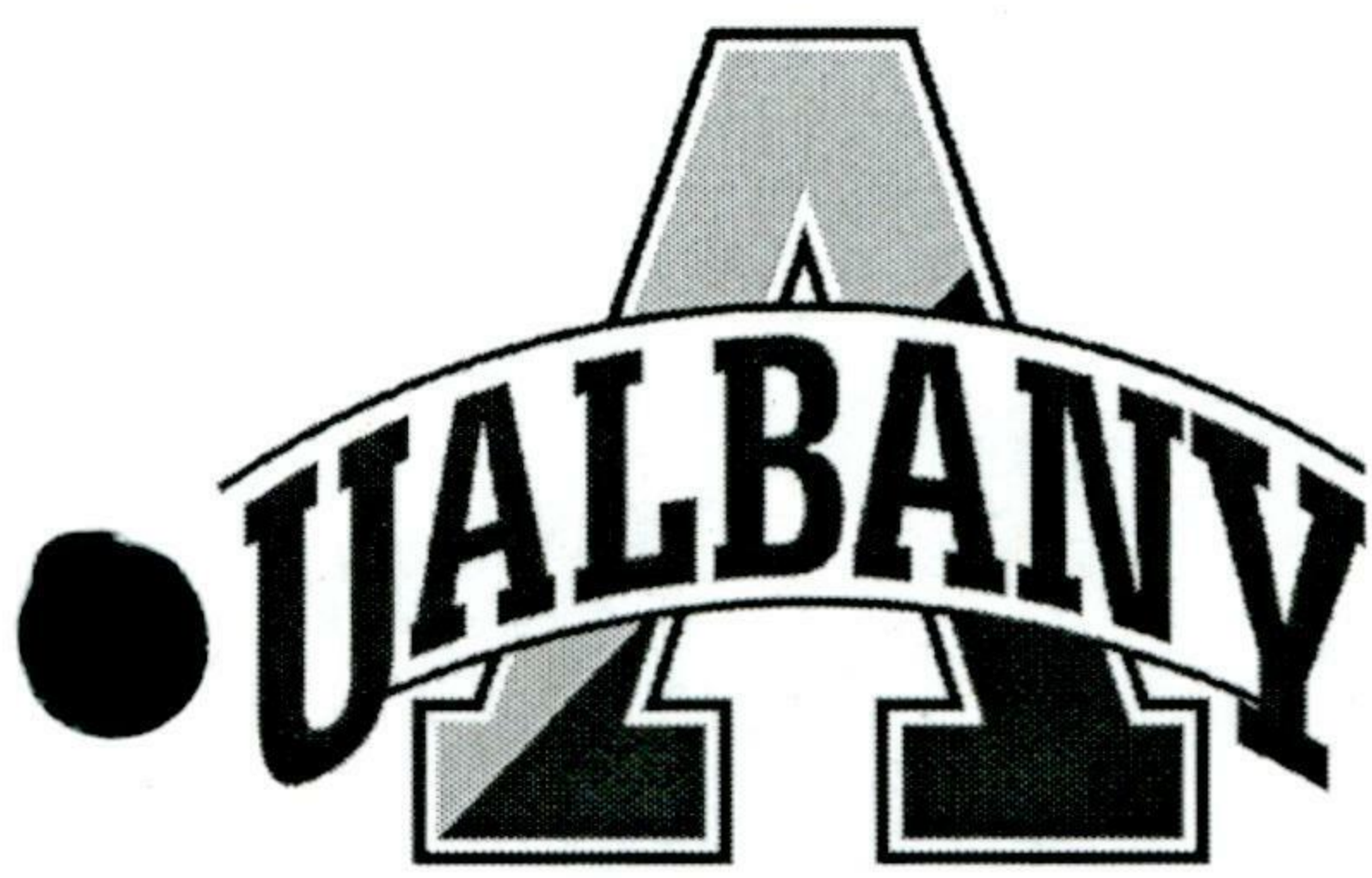
The Lady Bears tacked on five runs in the bottom of the fifth, as Miriam Romero hit a lead-ff single down the left field line and later scored on an RBI single by Reagan. Later in the inning, Oberg doubled to left field, driving in Reagan, and advanced to third on a throwing error by the Great Danes. Nicole Wesley recorded an RBI infield single to score Oberg for Baylor's final run of the inning. UAlbany (33-16) broke its scoring drought in the top of the sixth, as first baseman Leanne Tillman knocked a two-run homer over the right centerfield fence, driving in Meagan Butsch, who led off the inning with a single through the right side.

"We didn't want them to put us out of it before we played a full game," said Tillman. "I went up with a nothing-to-lose attitude, and hit the ball like I needed to."

The Great Danes left runners on base in each of the final innings, but a strong pitching performance by Shortridge for Baylor kept the Lady Bears ahead. Shortridge finished with six strikeouts in a complete-game performance.

Senior right-hander Casey Halloran recorded a complete-game, fanning five and issuing three walks. Butsch and catcher Kat Smith each finished with two hits apiece for the Great Danes. "Casey pitched a great game," said head coach Chris Cannata, who led her team to its third-straight NCAA Tournament appearance. "I think we were a little nervous to start, but we settled down near the end. We had runners with opportunities to score, we were just unable to take advantage of that." UAlbany will advance to Saturday's second game, and will face either Harvard or Hofstra at 12:30 p.m.





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### **UALBANY ATHLETES RECEIVE CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARDS**

Albany, N.Y. – State University of New York Chancellor John R. Ryan recently announced that five University at Albany student-athletes are recipients of the Chancellor's Scholar-Athlete Award for academic excellence and outstanding athletic achievement. Kate Fontana (lacrosse) and Brian Lillis (basketball) were honored for the second consecutive year. Other UAlbany athletes honored were Ashley DeNeal (volleyball), Merrick Thomson (lacrosse) and Ryan Chrobak (football).

Fontana, a senior midfielder from East Syracuse, N.Y., has a 3.72 cumulative grade point average in criminal justice. She is the first player in the lacrosse program's history to be chosen All-America East Conference four times, including three first-team selections. Fontana had 38 goals and eight assists for the Great Danes, who made their first-ever appearance in the conference championship game. She completed her career as the school's all-time scorer with 156 goals and 36 assists for 192 points. Fontana received an ECAC Merit Medal as the school's top female senior student-athlete last week.

Lillis, a junior guard/forward from Urbandale, Iowa, has a 3.11 cumulative GPA in business administration. He led the Great Danes to their second consecutive America East Conference men's basketball championship and NCAA Tournament berth. Lillis, who averaged 6.9 points, 4.9 rebounds, 2.3 assists and 1.5 steals, was named the America East defensive player of the year and chosen to the conference's all-academic squad. UAlbany (23-10) posted back-to-back 20-win campaigns for the first time since 1990.

DeNeal, who has a 3.57 GPA in a dual major of criminal justice and psychology, is a nominee for America East Woman of the Year. She shared this year's ECAC Merit Medal with Kate Fontana as the top senior female student-athlete. A native of Muncie, Ind., DeNeal was selected first-team all-conference for the second year in a row. She was voted the 2006 America East Championship's most outstanding player after recording 13 kills and a career-high 37 digs in a come-from-behind victory over UMBC in the final. DeNeal, a senior outside hitter, and the school's all-time digs leader, led the program to its second NCAA appearance in the last three years.

Thomson, a senior attackman from Stoney Creek, Ontario, has a 3.05 GPA in sociology with a minor in business administration. He was selected to the All-America East Conference men's lacrosse squad for the fourth straight season and was one of 17 players on the Tewaaron Award Watch List. Thomson, who ranks third nationally in goals per game, has 54 goals and 13 assists this season. He is currently first on UAlbany's career scoring list with 242 points (186 goals, 56 assists). The Great Danes won their fourth America East title in the last five years and posted the school's first-ever NCAA Division I win in last Sunday's first-round triumph over Loyola.

Chrobak, a senior cornerback on the UAlbany football team, earned a 3.56 GPA as an undergraduate and is currently enrolled in the school's criminal justice program. He was chosen as his team's top defensive back for the third straight year after making 43 tackles and recording a team-high nine pass break-ups. Chrobak, who totaled 188 tackles, 29 pass break-ups and six interceptions as a collegian, was a member of the 2006 Division I FCS Athletic Directors Academic All-Star Team and received an ECAC Merit Medal as the top senior male student-athlete. UAlbany had a 7-4 record and tied for second in the Northeast Conference standings.

### **UALBANY'S KELLY OGDEN NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-NORTHEAST REGION**

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany's Kelly Ogden has been named to the National Fastpitch Coaches Association All-Northeast Region squad. Ogden, a senior third baseman, was a second-team selection. She is batting .357 with 10 home runs, 43 RBI and a .649 slugging percentage.

Ogden, who is on the all-region team for the second time as a collegian, ranks first in home runs (26), doubles (38), total hits (200) and RBI (155) on the school's career charts. A first-team all-conference selection, Ogden has led UAlbany (33-15) to three consecutive America East Conference championships and three NCAA Tournament berths.



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### 2006-07 Scholar Athlete Awards Announced

May 15, 2007

Albany -- SUNY Chancellor John R. Ryan today announced the recipients of the 2006-07 Student-Athlete Award, which recognizes a combination of academic excellence and outstanding athletic achievement at the Division I, Division III and NJCAA levels.

Recipients of this year's award include 78 student athletes from 28 campuses for participation in 25 different sports. Collectively, these student-athletes have combined outstanding accomplishments in the classroom as well as the playing surface, posting an average GPA of 3.64.

"The Scholar Athlete Award is one of the most selective and prestigious awards bestowed by SUNY, because it speaks to the hard work and dedication our student athletes put forth both in classroom and in their particular sport where they compete throughout the year," said Chancellor Ryan. "Their success also speaks volumes about the quality of the programs and curriculum that SUNY campuses, coaches, faculty, and staff provide. I commend the recipients as well as their coaches and faculty for this extraordinary achievement."

Scholar Athletes are selected by the Athletic Directors at each level of play. Region 3 and Region 15 of the NJCAA select recipients for two-year schools; and the State University of New York Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) and Athletic Directors from the Independent Institutions select student athletes participating in Division III Programs.

A complete list of the 2006-07 SUNY Chancellor's Scholar Athletes is available on the SUNY website, at [www.suny.edu](http://www.suny.edu), under "News and Announcements."

The State University of New York is the largest comprehensive university system in the United States, educating more than 417,500 students in 7,669 degree and certificate programs on 64 campuses.

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**THE STATE UNIVERSITY of NEW YORK****Scholar Athlete Awards: 2006-07 Recipient Listing**

May 15, 2007

**Scholar Athletes - Division I**

| <b>Name</b>       | <b>Sport</b>          | <b>Campus</b>          |
|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Brendon Hitchcock | Baseball              | Binghamton University  |
| Brian Lillis      | Men's Basketball      | UAlbany                |
| Jessica Smith     | Women's Basketball    | Stony Brook University |
| Daniel Bell       | Men's Soccer          | Buffalo University     |
| Andrea Vescio     | Women's Soccer        | Buffalo University     |
| Shaun Krawitz     | Men's Cross Country   | Stony Brook University |
| Dana Hastie       | Women's Cross Country | Stony Brook University |
| Merrick Thomson   | Men's Lacrosse        | UAlbany                |
| Kate Fontana      | Women's Lacrosse      | UAlbany                |
| Marissa Fleury    | Women's Softball      | Stony Brook University |
| Lya Kushnirovich  | Women's Tennis        | Binghamton University  |
| Mike Rockman      | Men's Tennis          | Buffalo University     |
| David Holmes      | Men's Swimming        | Binghamton University  |
| Meili Carpenter   | Women's Swimming      | Buffalo University     |
| Rory Quiller      | Men's Track           | Binghamton University  |
| Tina Villa        | Women's Track         | Buffalo University     |
| Mike Ragusa       | Wrestling             | Buffalo University     |
| Ryan Chrobak      | Football              | UAlbany                |
| Ashley DeNeal     | Women's Volleyball    | UAlbany                |

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|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Kristin Courtney   | Field Hockey          | SUNY Cortland    |
| Ashley Smith       | Tennis                | SUNY Plattsburgh |
| Christina Finke    | Women's Cross Country | SUNY Geneseo     |
| Jim Tillapaugh     | Men's Cross Country   | SUNY Geneseo     |
| Stephanie DeGolier | Volleyball            | SUNY Fredonia    |
| Steph Kowell       | Women's Soccer        | SUNY Brockport   |
| Vjekoslav          | Men's Soccer          | SUNY Cortland    |
| Adam Haas          | Football              | SUNY Cortland    |
| Michelle Coombs    | Women's Swimming      | SUNY New Paltz   |
| Scott Horsington   | Men's Swimming        | SUNY Fredonia    |
| Liz Montgomery     | Women's Indoor Track  | SUNY Geneseo     |
| Jeremy Cline       | Men's Indoor Track    | SUNY Oneonta     |
| Scott Morton       | Men's Basketball      | SUNY Geneseo     |





May 16, 2007

Dear Head Softball Coach:

**For Immediate Release - 2007 Northeast All-Region Softball Team.**

If you have a player who made First or Second Team All-Region, it is imperative that you get me the following information for the All-American selection meeting I will be attending in Oklahoma City on Monday, May 28.

1. Updated statistics, excluding conference tournament statistics (if applicable)
2. Updated game-by-game statistics for each player selected to an All-Region team, excluding conference tournament statistics (if applicable)
3. Updated game-by-game statistics for each player selected to an All-Region team against teams selected for the NCAA tournament, excluding conference tournament statistics (if applicable)
4. Percentages per game for runs, hits and home runs, excluding conference tournament (if applicable)
5. Coach and SID's home, work, cell and fax numbers where each can be reached on **May 28 & 29** if more information is needed.

Info on how to reach me:

My email is [christine.vogt@dartmouth.edu](mailto:christine.vogt@dartmouth.edu) , Fax is 603-646-3348, and cell phone is 917-881-0271

I will try to access my computer during the tournament, so please drop me an e-mail at [christine.vogt@dartmouth.edu](mailto:christine.vogt@dartmouth.edu) letting me know that you have faxed the information so that I can make sure it has been received before the All-American meeting. I will do my best to represent the schools and the young women selected from our Northeast Region in Oklahoma City.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me on while I am on the road.

Sincerely,

Christine Vogt  
Dartmouth College  
Northeast Region Representative  
Attachment



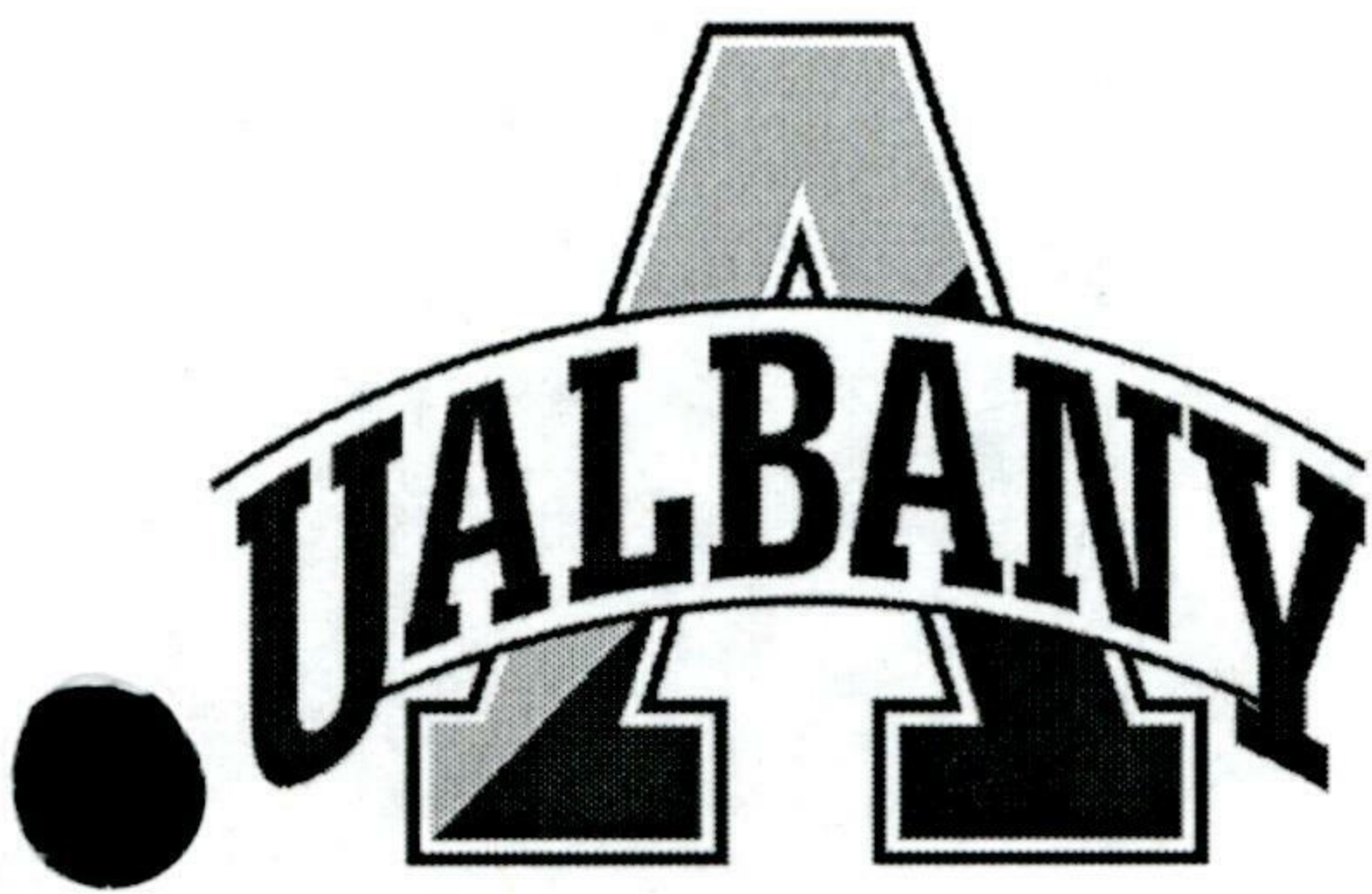
## First Team All-Northeast Region

P – Angela Tincher, Virginia Tech  
P – Brandice Balschmiter, University of Massachusetts  
C – Rachel Bartholomew, Providence  
1B – Rachel Hebert, Boston University  
2B – Stacy Cullington, University of Massachusetts  
3B – Jillian Ortega, University of Connecticut  
SS – Jenna Macchi, Boston College  
OF – Caroline Stolle, Virginia Tech  
OF – Candice Molinari, University of Massachusetts  
OF – Heather Gordon – Monmouth  
UT/P – Chanel Roehner – Syracuse University  
UT/NP – Lauren Murphy – Harvard

## Second Team All-Northeast Region

P – Shelly Madick - Harvard  
P – Megan Currier – Boston University  
P – Kristine Sawlsville - Monmouth  
C – Christy Leath – Boston University  
1B – Amanda Morin – University of Massachusetts  
2B – Brandi Shields – Boston University  
3B – Kelly Ogden – Albany  
3B – Julie Saporito – St. Peters  
SS – Sarah Kalka - Rutgers  
OF – Lauren Proctor – University of Massachusetts  
OF – Chiya Louie – Boston University  
OF – Britney Thompson – Boston College  
OF – Micha Traux – University of Connecticut  
UT/P – Krista Seeman - Quinnipiac  
UT/NP – Callie Rhodes – Virginia Tech





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**UALBANY BASEBALL FALLS TO LE MOYNE IN FINAL NON-CONFERENCE GAME**

Albany, N.Y. – Mike Brown went 3-for-4 with an RBI to lead Le Moyne to a 7-3 non-conference victory over UAlbany on Tuesday afternoon at Varsity Field. The game was cut short after the seventh inning because of rain.

Le Moyne (28-17) jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the second inning. Second baseman Matt Nandin reached on a fielder's choice and was driven home on a double by shortstop Alejandro Del Valle. Stephen Crawford followed with a double of his own in the next at bat, and crossed home on an RBI single by Brown.

UAlbany (23-26) got on the board in the bottom of the third, as Steve Wyland knocked an RBI single to right field to score Brendan Rowland, who reached on an error by Le Moyne. After the Dolphins tacked on another run in the top of the fifth, UAlbany cut the deficit to 4-3 in the bottom of the frame.

Centerfielder Phil Marchese doubled down the left field line and was driven in on an RBI single up the middle by Al Barbato. Two batters later, catcher Tom Hill knocked a double of this won to send Barbato home.

Le Moyne was able to score three more runs in the top of the seventh frame, including a two-run homer over the left field fence by first baseman Ben Gaal.

Marchese finished with two hits for the Great Danes. Starter Marco Rivera picked up the loss on the mound, going two innings with one strikeout.

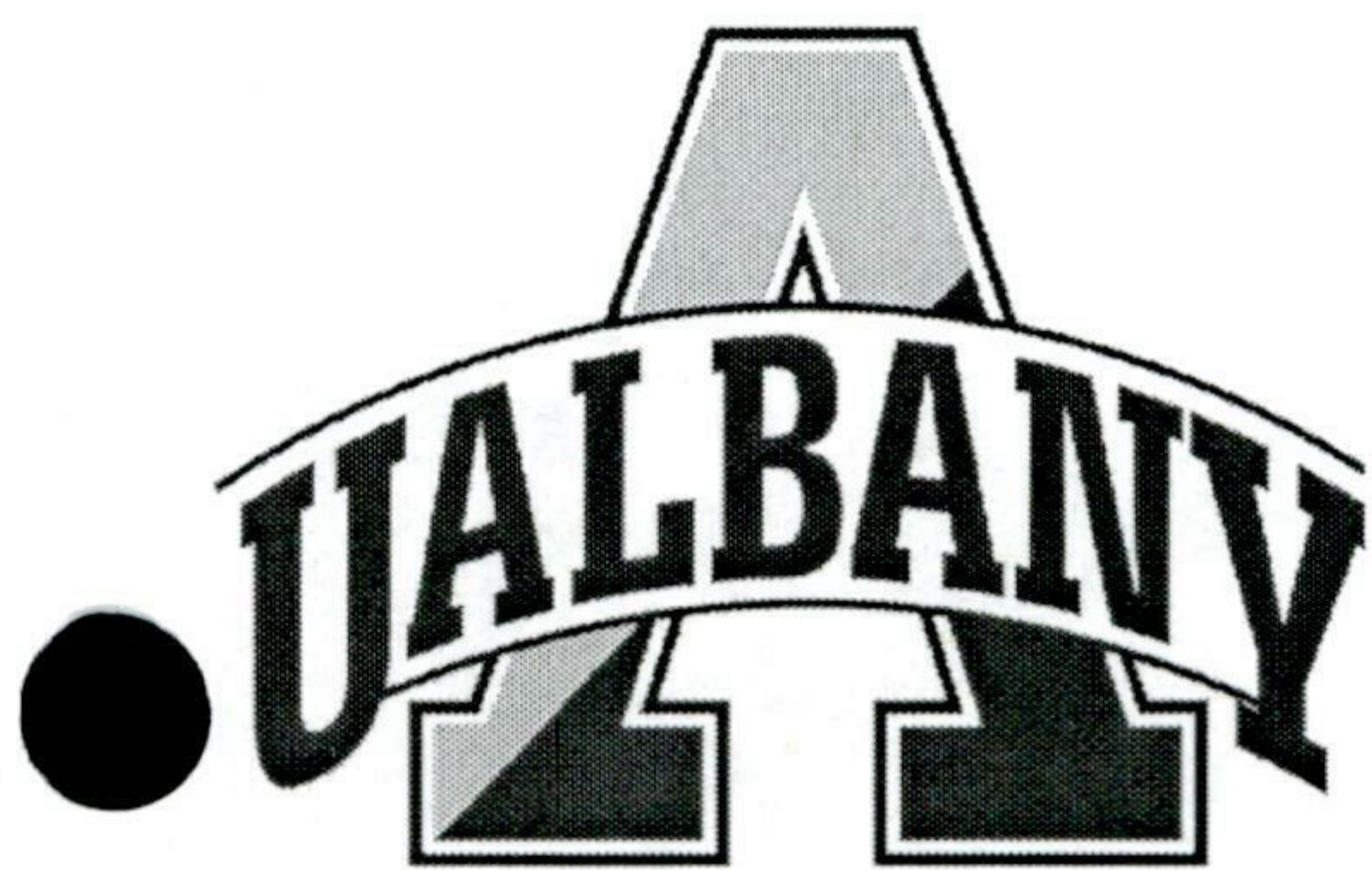
UAlbany, which wrapped up non-conference play with today's contest, will visit Vermont for a four-game America East Conference series starting on Friday.

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| Le Moyne (28-17) | 030 | 010 | 3 | - | 7 | 12 | 2 |
| UAlbany (23-26)  | 001 | 020 | 0 | - | 3 | 6  | 1 |

Adam Leduc, Michael Gedman (3), Brandon Otto (5), Luke Nellis (7) and Phil St. Amant.  
Marco Rivera, Chris Ott (3), Matthew Herrick (6), Sean Gregory (7) and Tom Hill.





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## STEVE WYLAND NAMED AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Boston, Mass. – Senior third baseman Steve Wyland has been named the America East Conference Baseball Player of the Week as announced by the league office on Monday afternoon.

Wyland led the Great Danes with a .625 average in five games last week. Wyland recorded 10 hits, including two doubles, two triples and three home runs, and drove in 11 runs. He drew six walks and did not strike out in 16 at bats, plus had a stolen base. Wyland's highlight game came in Sunday's 14-8 win over UMBC to complete a weekend series. He went 4-for-4 with two home runs, one double, one triple and five RBI. Wyland also hit a homer in the 5-1 win in the nightcap of a doubleheader sweep of UMBC the previous day. In Friday's series-opener, he went 2-for-4 with one run scored and four RBI.

UAlbany (23-25, AE 10-10) hosts Le Moyne in a non-league game on Tuesday before visiting Vermont for the final conference series of the regular season this weekend. The Great Danes are locked up in a three-team race for the final two spots in the conference's postseason tournament, scheduled for May 24-26.

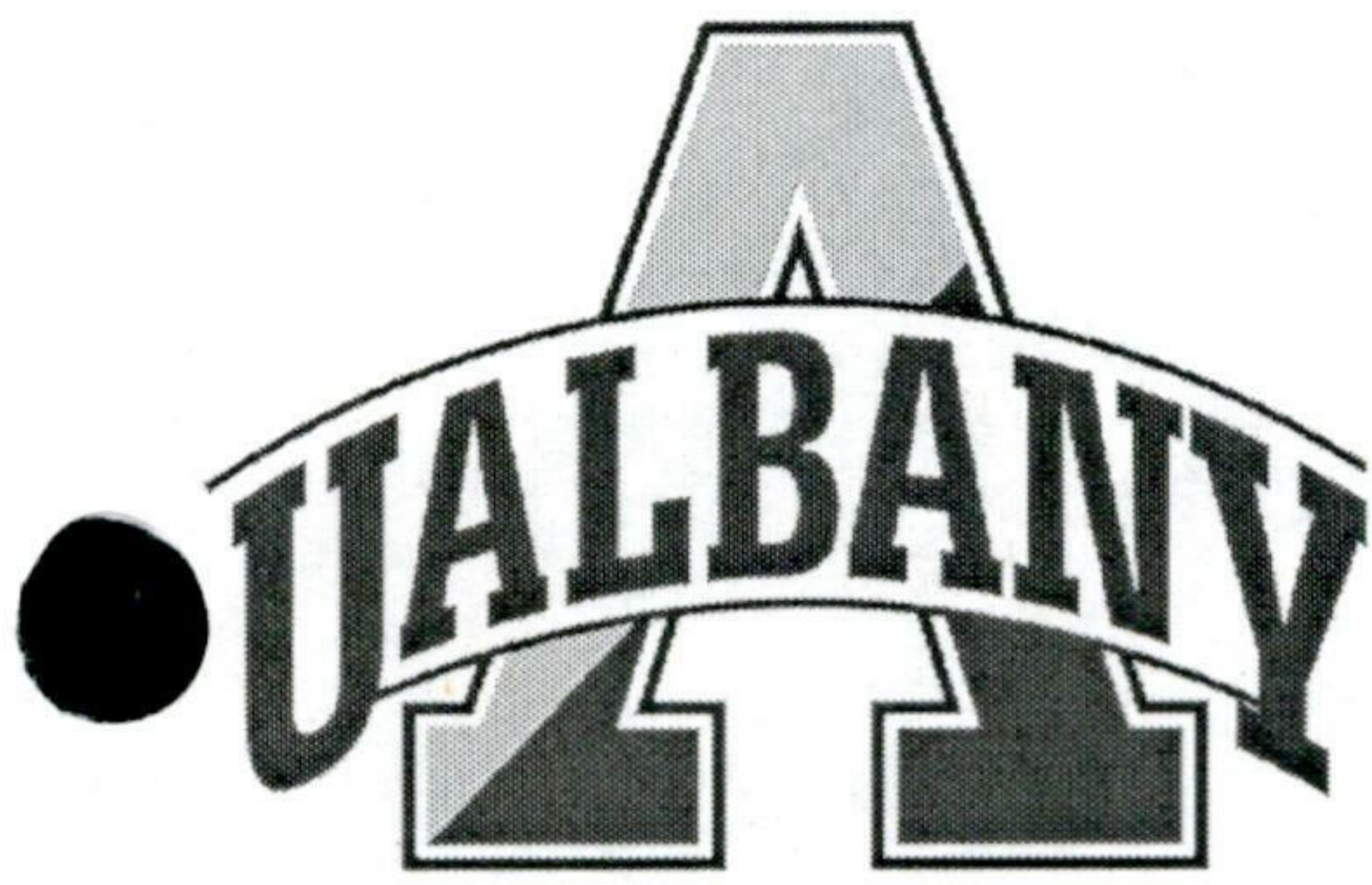
## NCAA MEN'S LACROSSE QUARTERFINAL ROUND TICKETS AVAILABLE

Princeton, N.J. – Tickets are now available for the NCAA Division I Men's Lacrosse Championship's North Region Quarterfinals on Saturday, May 19 at Princeton Stadium. UAlbany battles Cornell in the first quarterfinal round game at 12 noon. Johns Hopkins and Georgetown are paired at 3:00 p.m.

General admission seats are priced at \$15.00 for the NCAA lacrosse doubleheader, while children (14-under) are \$10.00. Students can purchase tickets at the gate only on Saturday for \$10.00. Princeton University's ticket office is open Monday-Thursday, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Friday, from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. For tickets, call 609-258-3538 or use the on-line service, [www.goprincetontigers.com](http://www.goprincetontigers.com). MasterCard, Visa and American Express are accepted. Princeton Stadium, the home of the Tigers' football program, seats capacity crowds of 27,800.

UAlbany (15-2) and Cornell (14-0) will meet for the first time. The Big Red, who defeated Towson in the first round, are ranked No. 1 in both the USILA and Nike/Inside Lacrosse national polls. Cornell is making its 20th NCAA appearance, including four straight under head coach Jeff Tambroni. The Great Danes recorded the program's first-ever NCAA win in Sunday's 19-10 triumph against Loyola. The contest will be televised nationally by ESPNU and seen locally on Time Warner Cable (TW3). Dave Ryan and Mark Dixon will call the action. WCDB-90.9 FM, the campus' radio station, will also air the quarterfinal.





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## UALBANY SOFTBALL SEEDED FOURTH NCAA TOURNAMENT'S HEMPSTEAD REGIONAL

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany will meet Baylor in the opening round of the NCAA Softball Championship on Friday, May 18 at Hofstra Softball Stadium. The Pride will host the three-day regional. Hofstra and Harvard will also play in the weekend's double-elimination format.

UAlbany (33-15) is making its third consecutive NCAA appearance. The Great Danes defeated UMBC, 6-4, to capture its third straight America East Conference championship. Casey Halloran, the championship's most outstanding player, struck out 10 to record her 18th victory of the season in the final. Meagan Butsch singled in the go-ahead run in the fifth inning.

"This absolutely the toughest bracket we have had to play in the three years we have been in the tournament," said UAlbany coach Chris Cannata, whose team is seeded fourth in the regional. "Baylor has been ranked all year long and beat some really good teams. This is a good opportunity for everyone to see us play. Hofstra's stadium is familiar to us since we played a (pre-season) tournament there last fall."

Baylor (45-13) received an NCAA at-large berth as the Big 12 Conference regular-season champion. Hofstra (40-13) and Harvard (31-13) earned automatic bids by winning the Colonial Athletic Association and Ivy League titles, respectively.

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NCAA Softball Championship – Hempstead Regional  
Friday, May 18

Game 1 - #1 Baylor (45-13) vs. #4 UAlbany (33-15), 12:00 p.m.

Game 2 - #2 Hofstra (40-13) vs. #3 Harvard (31-13), 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 19

Game 3 – Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 10:00 a.m.

Game 4 – Game 2 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 12:30 p.m.

Game 5 – Game 3 loser vs. Game 4 winner, 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 20

Game 6 – Game 3 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 12:00 p.m.

Game 7 – if necessary (30 minutes after Game 6)





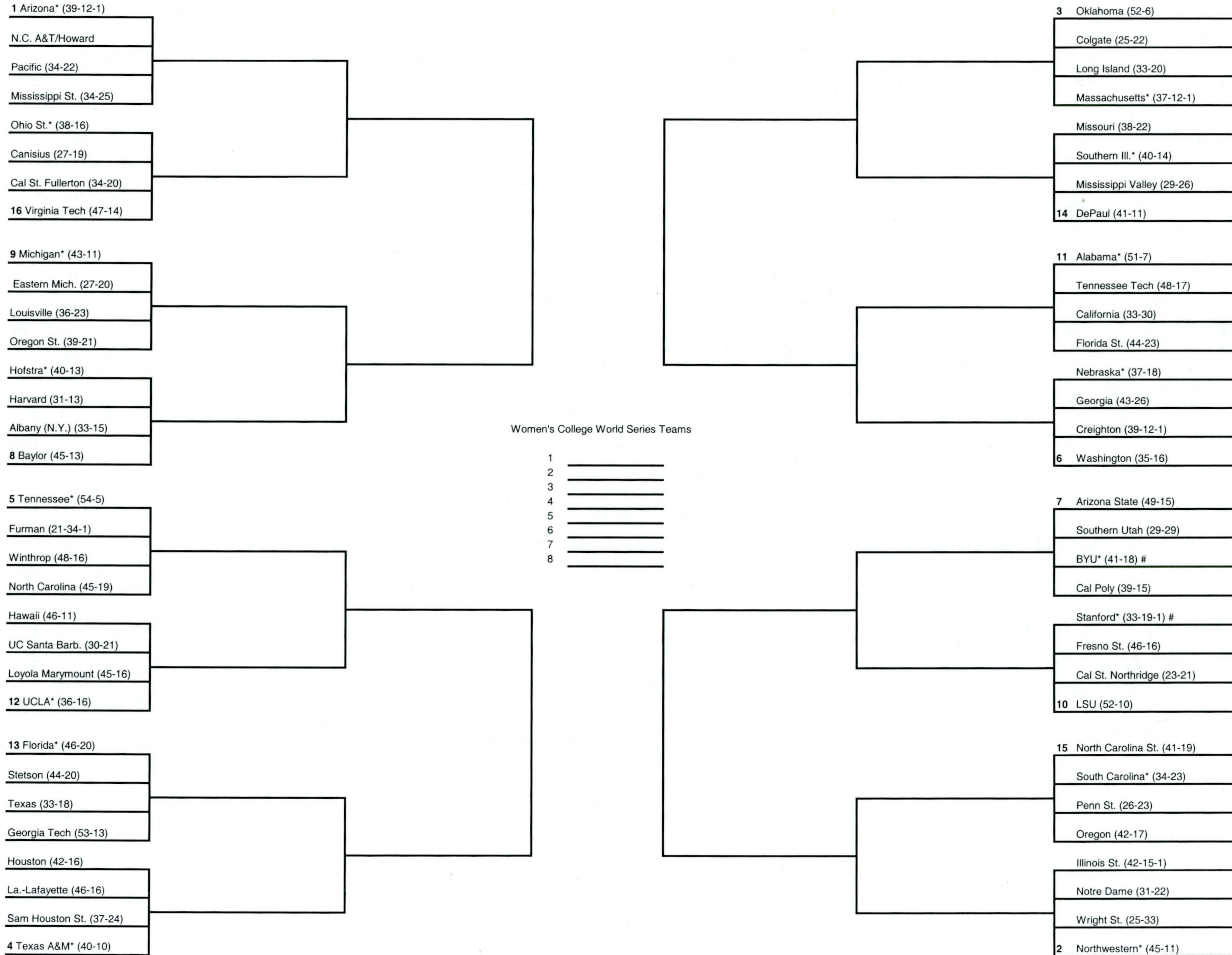
# 2007 NCAA Division I SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

REGIONALS  
May 18-20

SUPER REGIONALS  
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SUPER REGIONALS  
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May 17-19 or 18-20



# These sites will be hosting Thursday to Saturday.





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**MERRICK THOMSON SCORES FIVE GOALS AS UALBANY RECORDS NCAA FIRST-ROUND WIN**

Albany, N.Y. – Merrick Thomson scored five goals and added one assist in leading UAlbany to a 19-10 victory over Loyola in the first round of the NCAA Men’s Lacrosse Championship before a record-crowd of 2,953 on Sunday afternoon at John Fallon Field. The Great Danes posted their first NCAA win in the program’s history and advanced to face Cornell in the quarterfinals on Saturday, May 19 at Princeton Stadium.

UAlbany (15-2) leaped to a 3-0 lead in the opening four minutes of play. Derek Dale finished off a crossing pass from Jordan Levine following a Loyola miscue. Mike Ammann, a junior midfielder, then scored back-to-back goals. He drove from the left and placed a hard shot inside the far post, before advancing from the right side where he went one-on-one with goalkeeper Alex Peaty.

The Great Danes, who were hosting a NCAA Tournament game for the first time as the championship’s No. 5 seed, moved out to an 8-2 lead with 4:32 left in the second period. Matthew Green scored unassisted when drove in from the left point and ripped a shot into the top right corner to fuel a three-goal run. Goalkeeper Brett Queener, who made eight saves, stopped two shots that led to a pair of fastbreak opportunities. Dale cleaned up on a left-to-right crossing pass from Thomson, before Levine went all the way from the midfield line and switched to his left hand for a six-goal margin.

UAlbany increased its advantage in the third quarter to 13-4 with another three-goal outburst. Thomson, a senior attacker, started that stretch by scoring in transition after a turnover. Levine, who tied a career-best with five points, then split two defenders en route to the cage. Thomson, who had five-plus points for the 25th time in his career, used a two-man advantage situation to find the net from right of the crease.

Loyola (7-6) ended the third stanza by ripping off three unanswered in a 46-second span. Greg Leonard scored an extra-man goal before his team won the following face-off. Shane Koppens, who had a pair of goals, finished off that possession to slice the deficit to 13-7. But the Great Danes put the game away in the final quarter by netting six of the game’s next seven goals. Thomson scored twice in that stretch, and Frank Resetarits and Eric Wolf combined on two other scoring plays.

“We were very prepared,” said UAlbany coach Scott Marr, whose program had lost their previous three NCAA opening-round games. “We’ve been waiting a long time for this after missing the playoffs last year. We go into every game anticipating Frank (Resetarits) and Merrick (Thomson) will be shut off, or some special defense will be on them. That’s what happened today. When Frank and Merrick don’t get their looks, it just opens things up for everyone else.”

UAlbany showed its balance with eleven players reaching the scoring column. Resetarits, a Tewaaron Trophy finalist, finished with two goals and two assists, while Corey Small and Wolf each scored twice and had an assist. Paul Richards and Andrew Spack had two goals apiece for the Greyhounds, who made the NCAA field for the first time since 2001.

“I really felt like we had to match their energy,” explained Loyola coach Charlie Toomey, whose team finished second in the ECAC standings behind Georgetown. “They didn’t let us back in, they stayed on top of us today. They had an answer for everything. Albany got some good looks at the goal; they proved they can score with their weak hands.”

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| Loyola (7-6)   | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 | - | 10 |
| UAlbany (15-2) | 5 | 5 | 3 | 6 | - | 19 |

Loyola – Scoring: Shane Koppens 2-0, Paul Richards 2-0, Andrew Spack 2-0, Patrick Kennedy 1-2, Dan Bauers 1-1, Joe Landry 1-0, Greg Leonard 1-0, Steven Hess 0-1, Ryan Rabidou 0-1, Dan Kallaugher 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Alex Peaty (36:15, 7 saves, 12 GA), Connor Locke (23:45, 7 saves, 7 GA).

UAlbany – Scoring: Merrick Thomson 5-1, Jordan Levine 2-3, Frank Resetarits 2-2, Corey Small 2-1, Eric Wolf 2-1, Derek Dale 2-0, Mike Ammann 2-0, Matthew Green 1-0, Steve Ammann 1-0, John Alpizar 0-2, Brett Queener 0-1, Goalkeeper(s): Brett Queener (52:42, 8 saves, 8 GA), Dan McKeon (6:09, 1 saves, 0 GA), A.J. Babnik (1:09, 1 saves, 2 GA).





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## JOE GREENE WINS THE 400-METER RUN AT IC4A TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

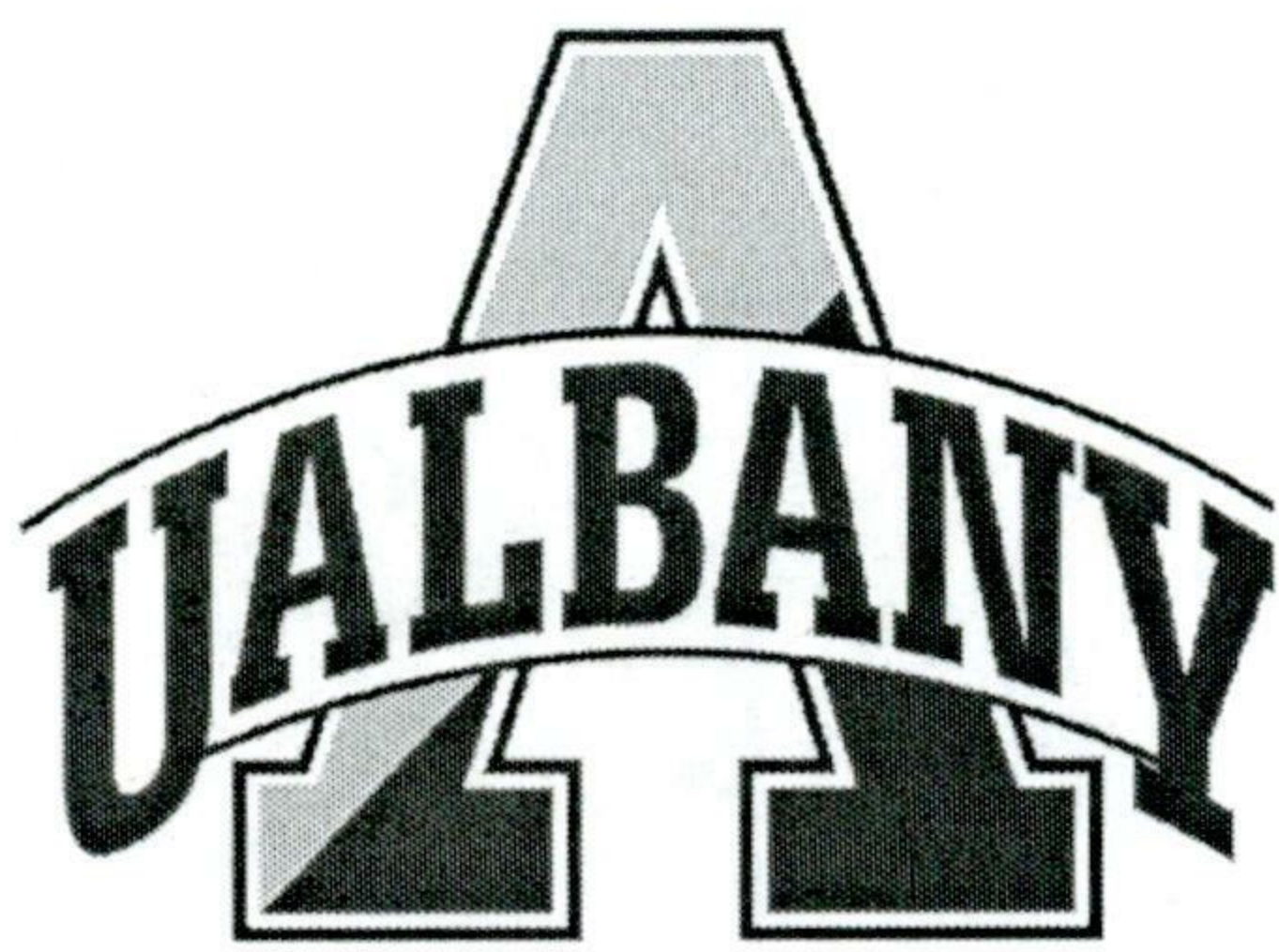
Princeton, N.J. – UAlbany's Joe Greene was crowned the 400-meter hurdles champion with a season-best time of 50.65 seconds at the 131st IC4A Track and Field Championships on Sunday afternoon at Princeton University's Weaver Track & Field Stadium. The Great Danes were fourth in the team standings, the highest finish in the program's history at this meet. Liberty won the competition with 77 points, while Virginia (66.50), Manhattan (51) and UAlbany (47) followed in the order.

Greene, who improved his NCAA East qualifying time, was well ahead of Coppin State's Steve Delice, who hit the line in 51.45. Greene also ran the anchor leg of the 4x100-meter relay that established a UAlbany record of 40.78 seconds. Pat Weider, Junior Burnett and Raphael Jean-Baptiste were also on a relay that placed third overall.

Gered Burns (Guilderland) finished second in the 800-meter run. Champion Tim Bayley of Iona, edged him at the finish by 13-hundredths of the second. Burns, who set a school record in qualifying, posted a time of 1:50.13. Burnett finished third in the 400-meter dash, as he crossed the line in 47.65 seconds.

In the 24th annual ECAC competition, Sarah Charles finished fourth in the triple jump with a leap of 40-feet, 10.25-inches. Jessica Ortman took sixth place in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:13.10.





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### UALBANY BASEBALL TAKES SERIES FINALE FROM UMBC, 14-8

Albany, N.Y. – Steve Wyland went 4-for-4 with two home runs to lead UAlbany to a 14-8 victory over America East Conference rival UMBC on Sunday afternoon at Varsity Field. Wyland also had one double, one triple and five RBI in the game, which took place on Senior Day.

UAlbany started the game strong, as centerfielder Dave West led off with a triple in the first inning. He was driven in by right fielder Leo Corvino (Columbia) who followed with a double. Corvino later crossed home plate on a sacrifice fly by Wyland, for his first RBI of the game.

Wyland also drove Corvino in in the third inning, as he hit his first long ball of the day to give the Great Danes a 4-0 lead in the bottom of the frame.

UAlbany (23-25, AE 10-10) extended its lead with a five-run fourth inning, paced by back-to-back singles by Sean Donovan and Mike Konstanty. Donovan scored on an RBI single by Chris Wood, while Konstanty crossed on an RBI double by Al Barbato. The Great Danes got their third run of the inning as Wood scored on a wild pitch by UMBC hurler Bo Sauter. Corvino recorded a sacrifice fly to score Barbato, while Wyland hit a double to drive in West for the final run of the frame.

UMBC (12-36, AE 3-17) posted two runs in the following inning, but UAlbany tacked on another run in the bottom of the frame to hold a 9-2 advantage. After allowing the Retrievers to score twice in the top of the sixth, the Great Danes recorded four runs in their half of the inning, paced by back-to-back homers by Wyland and catcher Tom Hill. Konstanty added a two-run shot of his own in the inning, giving UAlbany a 14-4 lead.

The Retrievers would score three runs in the top of the seventh, and add on one more in the eighth, but reliever Sean Gregory would sit down the final three batters in order in the ninth to preserve the win for the Great Danes.

UAlbany starter Cory Warrings produced five strikeouts in five innings of work to earn the win for UAlbany. Matthew Herrick tossed 1.2 innings of relief, fanning two. Sauter picked up the loss for UMBC, striking out three and allowing 10 runs off 11 hits. All nine of UAlbany's starters finished with at least one hit.

First baseman Steve Gale finished with two runs scored and two RBI off two hits for UMBC. Designated hitter Will Delawter also finished with two RBI.

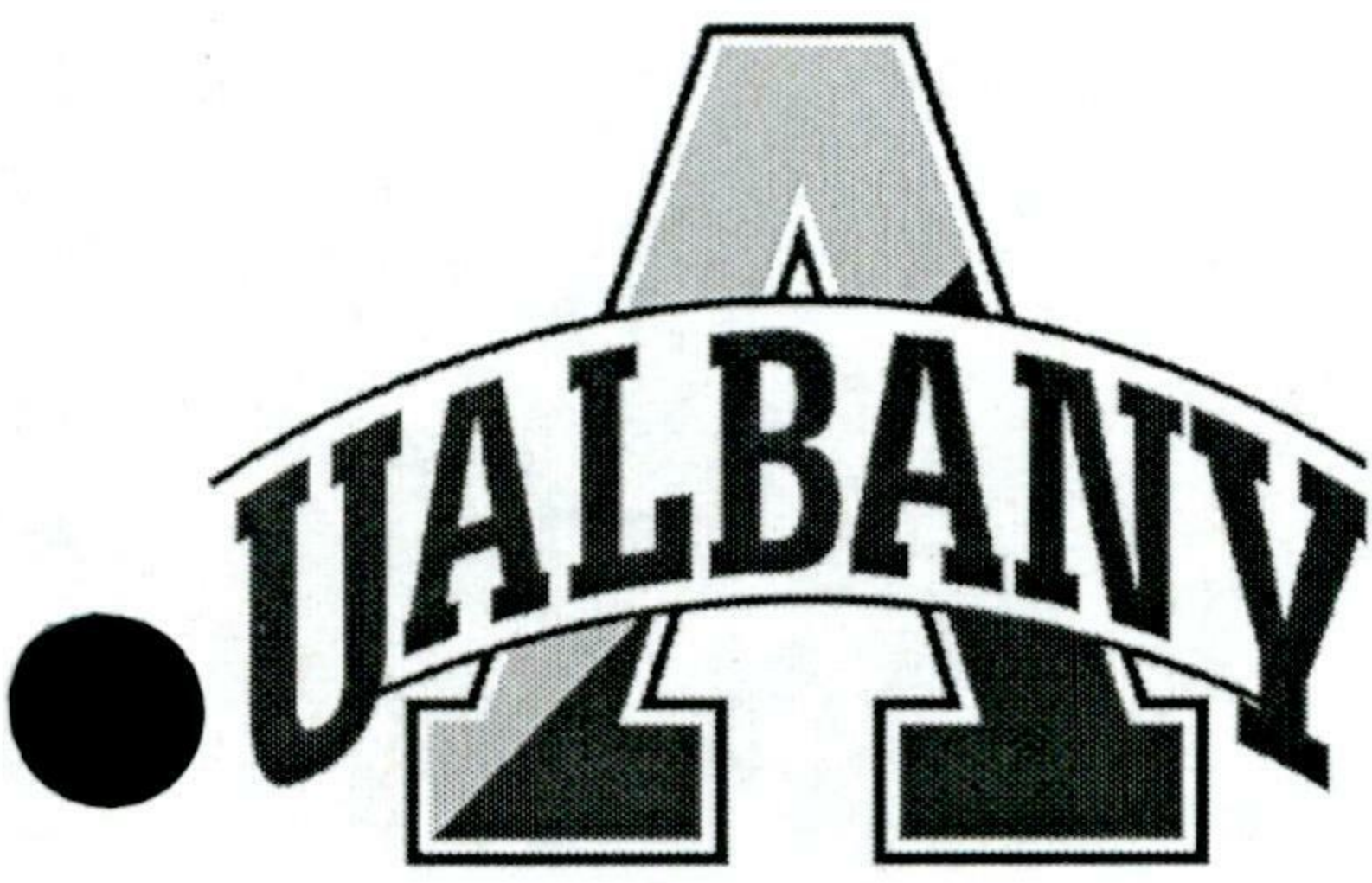
The Great Danes will host Le Moyne in a non-conference doubleheader on Tuesday starting at 2 p.m. before heading to Vermont for the final regular-season conference series on Friday.

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| UMBC (12-36, Ae 3-17)     | 000 | 022 | 310 | - | 8  | 9  | 2 |
| UAlbany (23-25, AE 10-10) | 202 | 514 | 00x | - | 14 | 17 | 2 |

Bo Sauter, Rob Hendry (6), Sean Rae (7), Brian Duffy (8) and Rick Phillips, Tom Meaney.  
Cory Warrings, Matthew Herrick (7), Sean Gregory (8) and Tom Hill.





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### MARC PALLOZZI WINS JAVELIN ON SECOND DAY AT IC4A CHAMPIONSHIPS

Princeton, N.J. – UAlbany's Marc Pallozzi (Lansingburgh) won the men's javelin with a toss of 218-feet, 6-inches at the 131st IC4A Track and Field Championships on Saturday afternoon at Weaver Track & Field Stadium. Pallozzi became the first Great Dane to win a field event at the competition.

Luke Schoen, a freshman, placed third in the pole vault by clearing the bar at 16-feet, 6.75-inches. Freddie Wills went 23-5.50 to take eighth in the long jump. Gered Burns (Guilderland) won his semifinal 800-meter run heat in a school-record time of 1:48.20 to qualify for Sunday's final.

Joe Greene (400m-hurdles) and Junior Burnett (400m dash) easily reached the finals in their respective events. Greene eased to the finish line by sprinting 51.44 seconds. He was also a member of the 4x100 relay that posted the second-fastest time in the preliminaries of 40.94 seconds. Pat Weider, Raphael Jean-Baptiste and Burnett were also in the group. Joe Belokopitsky (Shaker), John Moore (Fonda-Fultonville), Jared Jupin (Shaker) and Ricardo Estremera ran on the 4x800 relay that advanced after being clocked in 7:36.90.

In the 24th annual ECAC competition, Jessica Ortman ran her fastest time of the season to reach the women's 800-meter run championship race. She finished in 2:08.20.





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**UALBANY SWEEPS UMBC IN AMERICA EAST BASEBALL ACTION**

Albany, N.Y. – Casey Walsh scattered four hits in a complete-game win, leading UAlbany to a 5-1 win over UMBC in the nightcap to complete a doubleheader sweep in America East Conference baseball action on Saturday afternoon at Varsity Field. The Great Danes held off a UMBC rally to win the first game, 7-6.

Walsh struck out six in seven innings of work for UAlbany in game two. The Great Danes got on the board in the bottom of the first inning, as a two-run homer by third baseman Steve Wyland gave UAlbany a 2-1 lead. The Great Danes tacked on two more runs in the fourth, as designated hitter Tom Hill led off with a home run to left field. Shortstop Sean Donovan followed with a single, and later stole second. Left fielder Mike Konstanty singled through the left side, scoring Donovan to give the Great Danes a 4-1 advantage.

After UAlbany scored one final run in the sixth inning, Walsh sat down the UMBC batters in order to close out the game and give the Great Danes the sweep.

In the early game, UAlbany (21-25, AE 9-10) withstood a seventh-inning rally by the Retrievers. After a four-run fourth inning put the Great Danes up 7-4, UMBC (12-35, AE 3-16) cut the lead to one with a two-run homer by Scott Peddicord. The Retrievers proceeded to load the bases, but closer Alexander Beaulieu induced a ground-out by Will Delawter to preserve the win.

Centerfielder Dave West finished 2-for-4 with two runs scored and one RBI, which came in the fourth on a single down the left field line. Right fielder Leo Corvino (Columbia) also finished with an RBI in that inning, driving in Konstanty.

Right-hander Josh Willimott (Columbia) picked up the win for UAlbany, going 4.2 innings on the mound and allowing just one run.

The teams wrap up the four-game series on Sunday with a single game starting at 1:00 p.m. The team will honor its eight graduating seniors prior to first pitch.

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(Game One)

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| UMBC    | 220 | 000 | 2 | - | 6 | 7  | 2 |
| UAlbany | 012 | 400 | x | - | 7 | 11 | 0 |

Marty Zawacki, Tom Schlein (4), Isaac Friedel (6) and Tom Rinaldi.

Marco Rivera, Josh Willimott (2), Alexander Beaulieu (7) and Tom Hill.

(Game Two)

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|--------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|---|---|
| UMBC (12-35, AE 3-16)    | 100 | 000 | 0 | - | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| UAlbany (22-25, AE 9-10) | 200 | 201 | x | - | 5 | 6 | 1 |

Matt Bucholz, Isaac Friedel (6) and Rick Phillips.

Casey Walsh and Chris Wood.





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### UALBANY CAPTURES THIRD CONSECUTIVE AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP

Boston, Mass. – Sophomore shortstop Meagan Butsch singled in the go-ahead run in the fifth inning to lead UAlbany to a 6-4 victory over UMBC in the America East Conference championship game on Saturday afternoon at BU Softball Field. The Great Danes, who earned an automatic NCAA Tournament berth, became just the second program in conference history to capture three consecutive league crowns.

UMBC (32-18) took a 4-3 lead in the top of the fifth after UAlbany pitcher Casey Halloran (Columbia) walked the bases loaded with one out. The Retrievers' Krissy Licursi then lined a ground ball to infielder Kelly Ogden who stepped on third base to get a force out. However, Ogden threw wide to home plate attempting to get lead-runner Kali Shirk. Ashley Gray then came around to score from first base with the second run of the inning when UAlbany catcher Kat Smith committed another error while trying to gun her down at third as she advanced on Ogden's miscue.

UAlbany (33-15) went back ahead in the bottom of the frame. Amber Maisonet and Michelle Connors (Shenendehowa) each walked and were aboard with two outs. Ogden, a senior third baseman, then singled on a 1-2 pitch the other way to right field to tie the contest. Butsch followed with a single through the hole on the left side to drive Connors across for a 5-4 advantage.

The Great Danes added an insurance run in the sixth. Laura Gremillion walked and was then lifted for pinch-runner Shane Pais, who moved up to second base on a groundout. Maisonet, who went 3-for-3 at the plate, then smacked a RBI single to right field. Halloran, who was in and out of trouble throughout the game, retired the first two batters she faced in the seventh, but then Gray singled and Licursi was hit by a pitch.

However, Halloran came back to strike out Carla O'Rourke swinging on a 3-2 count to end the contest.

"I made a mental error on that fielding play," offered Ogden, whose team reached the conference championship final for the fourth time in the last five years. "But I knew my experience would get me through it. She had been throwing outside to me (with her pitches) and I was able to take it to right field. I was focused and it was a great feeling to pick up my teammates."

The Retrievers, who got to the championship game for the first time when they rallied for a 3-2 win over Hartford earlier in the day on Licursi's walk-off homer, grabbed a 2-0 lead in the first. First baseman Amanda Fefel belted her 13th home run of the season, a two-run blast with two outs, over the left-field fence. UAlbany rallied in the bottom of the inning when Butsch, who had four RBI, drilled a three-run homer to dead center, her seventh of the year.

"We answered back all day," said UAlbany coach Chris Cannata, whose team was seeded fourth and narrowly made the championship field on the last weekend of the regular season. "They were coming off an emotional high from winning that early game and we knew we had to keep it close. Casey (Halloran) didn't have great stuff, but UMBC has great hitters and she got them out when she needed. It was so hard to win that second championship last year, but this is very satisfying."

Halloran, the championship's most outstanding player with two tournament wins, improved to 18-9 by fanning 10 and walking six. She recorded double-figure strikeouts for the fifth time this season. UMBC's Gray fell to 13-9 overall. The right-hander struck out three and walked three, plus went 2-for-3 at the plate.

UAlbany's Leah McIntosh, Ogden, Maisonet and Butsch joined Halloran on the all-championship squad. The NCAA field will be announced on Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

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#### America East Conference Softball Championship

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Ashley Gray and Krissy Licursi.

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### UALBANY FALLS TO UMBC IN AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE BASEBALL ACTION

Albany, N.Y. – Third baseman Mark Lemon drove a triple to right field to drive in two runs, capping off an eight-run seventh inning that led UMBC to a 10-8 win over UAlbany in America East Conference action on Friday afternoon.

UAlbany (20-25, AE 7-10) held a 6-1 lead heading into the top of the frame, paced by a four-run third inning. Centerfielder Dave West led off that inning with a solo homer to centerfield, while right fielder Leo Corvino (Columbia) followed with a base hit. Third baseman Steve Wyland drove a triple into right to score Corvino, while Tom Hill knocked a double into centerfield to send Wyland across home plate. Hill crossed on an error by UMBC shortstop Steve Bowen to score the final run for the Great Danes.

UAlbany tacked on two runs in the fourth, as Wyland hit a two-RBI single up the middle, scoring West and Corvino.

UMBC (11-33, AE 3-14) ended the shutout in the sixth, as second baseman Steve Russo knocked an RBI double to right center, scoring Mike Scheffel, who reached on a double of his own to lead off the inning.

Hurler John Naples induced two outs to start the seventh, before catcher Rich Phillips homered to centerfield to start the Retrievers' rally. Scheffel scored his second run of the day, as he was driven home on a double by Russo. UMBC loaded the bases, and Bowen scored on an error by UAlbany first baseman Steve Sayre. Steve Gale and Lemon combined for four runs in the next at bats, with Gale recording a two-RBI single before Lemon's triple emptied the bases.

The Great Danes attempted a comeback, scoring single runs in the eighth and ninth innings. Senior hurler Bo Sauter struck out UAlbany shortstop Sean Donovan to earn the save for the Retrievers, after the Great Danes loaded the bases in the bottom of the ninth.

Will Delawter, who finished 3-for-5 at the plate with two runs scored and one RBI, went three innings on the mound as the starter for UMBC. Freshman right-hander Rob Hendry picked up the win for the Retrievers.

Corvino led five Great Danes with multiple hits, going 3-for-5 with three runs scored. Wyland led UAlbany with four RBI.

The teams will continue the series on Saturday, with a doubleheader starting at 12 p.m.

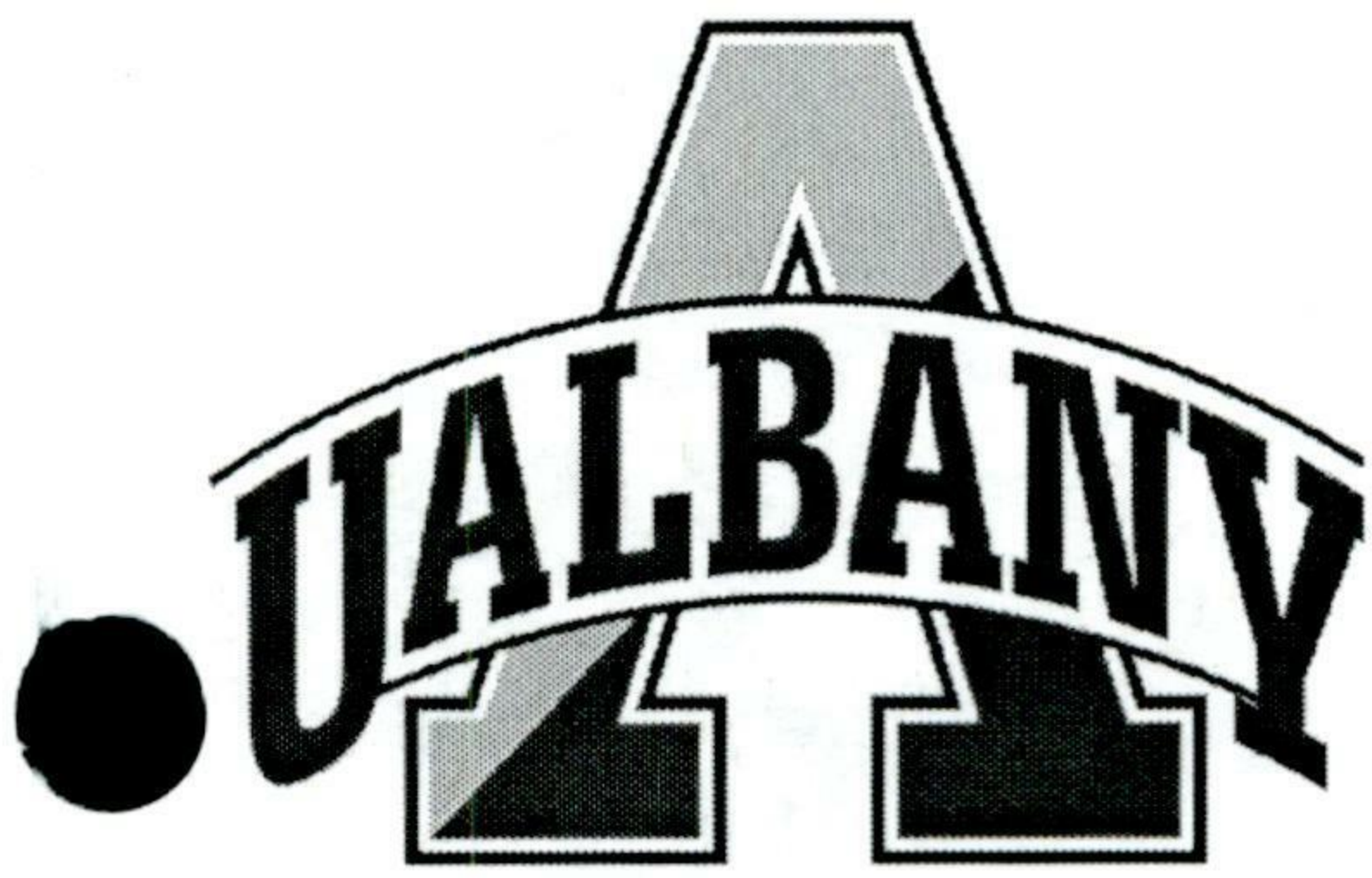
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Will Delawter, Tom Schlein (4), Sean Rae (5), Rob Hendry (7), Marty Zawacki (9), Bo Sauter (9) and Rich Phillips.

John Naples, Jeff Kaier (7), Sean Gregory (7) and Chris Wood.





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### UALBANY REACHES AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE SOFTBALL FINAL WITH 2-0 VICTORY

Boston, Mass. – Freshman Leah McIntosh fired a two-hit shutout in leading UAlbany to a 2-0 victory over UMBC in the second round of the America East Conference Tournament on Friday afternoon at BU Softball Field. The Great Danes advanced to Saturday’s championship, scheduled for 12 noon, in this double-elimination event.

UAlbany (32-15) survived a three-hour-and-20-minute rain delay en route to reaching the championship final for the fourth time in the last five years. McIntosh allowed just singles in the second and fifth innings in recording her third shutout of the season. She only appeared to be in trouble in the first by allowing a lead-off walk to shortstop Dana Shepherd. Kali Shirk then smacked a line drive to left field that outfielder Amber Maisonet tracked down with an over-the-shoulder catch near the base of the fence. Shepherd was then caught stealing and McIntosh struck out Melanie Denischuk for the third out.

The Great Danes, the tournament’s fourth seed, broke up a scoreless tie in the sixth. Center fielder Nicole Kothe started the uprising with a single, before Michelle Connors (Shenendehowa) reached base on an error by third baseman Ashleigh Robinson. Kelly Ogden then delivered a sacrifice fly to left field that scored Kothe. Meagan Butsch, who homered in Thursday’s 2-1 first-round win over top-seed Boston U., plated an insurance run when she tripled down the right-field line.

“That play by Amber (Maisonet) changed the tone of the game,” said UAlbany coach Chris Cannata, whose program will now play for its third consecutive trip to the NCAA Tournament. “It’s been a roller-coaster season with all these freshmen. We have had to play the last three weeks like it was the playoffs. Now that we are here, we seem relaxed and are playing with composure.”

McIntosh, who improved to 10-5 on the season, upped her consecutive inning scoreless streak to 17 straight. The right-hander struck out six and walked one against UMBC (31-17), a club that was averaging 5.5 runs prior to the contest and had swept the three-game regular-season series with the Great Danes. Ashley Gray was the tough-luck loser, as she scattered five hits and registered three strikeouts in a complete-game effort.

“I think we are in a position where we have been playing like there’s nothing to lose,” explained Ogden, a senior who drove in the game-winning run by swinging at the first pitch she saw that was up in the strike zone. “We have a couple of veterans and lot of freshmen who have stepped it up. In the first inning, the team’s confidence grew with some great defensive plays.”

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#### America East Conference Softball Championship – Second Round

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Ashley Gray and Krissy Licursi.

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### FRANK RESETARITS ONE OF FIVE FINALISTS FOR TEWAARATON TROPHY

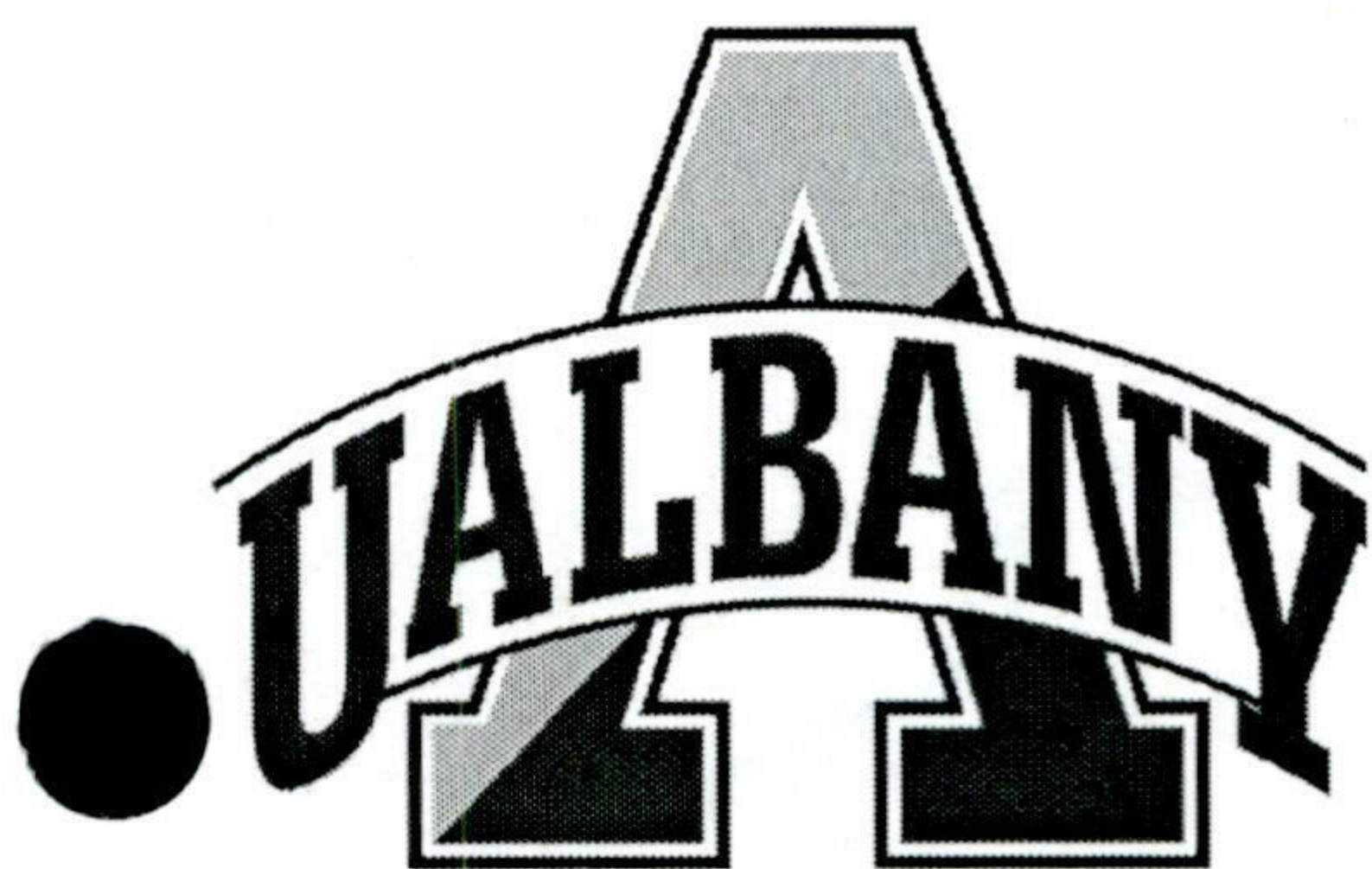
Washington, D.C. – University at Albany's Frank Resetarits has been named as one of five finalists for the Tewaaraton Trophy, which annually recognizes the top male collegiate lacrosse player in the United States. Joining Resetarits on the list are Duke's Matt Danowski, Virginia's Ben Rubeor, Cornell's Max Seibard and Johns Hopkins' Paul Rabil.

Resetarits, a senior attacker from Hamburg, N.Y., leads the nation in scoring with 54 goals and 21 assists. He has netted four or more goals against eight opponents this season. Resetarits was named the 2007 America East Conference Player of the Year. He has been voted to the all-conference team four times, including three first-team selections. Resetarits is currently tied with teammate Merrick Thomson for first place on the school's all-time scoring list with 236 points (155 goals, 81 assists.)

Resetarits had six goals and two assists to tie a career-high point total in leading UAlbany to a 15-14 victory over UMBC in last Saturday's America East championship game. The Great Danes will make their fourth NCAA appearance in the last five years when they host Loyola on Sunday, May 13 at 2:30 p.m. in the first round.

The Tewaaraton Trophy is the lacrosse equivalent of the Heisman Trophy. The winner will be announced on May 30.





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**UALBANY UPENDS TOP-SEED BOSTON U. IN FIRST ROUND OF AMERICA EAST TOURNAMENT**

Boston, Mass. - Shortstop Meagan Butsch cracked a solo home run to lead off the top of the fourth inning that proved to be the difference as UAlbany earned a 2-1 win over top-seed Boston U. in the opening round of the America East Softball Championship on Thursday afternoon at Boston University Softball Field.

The Great Danes got on the board first in the third inning, as leftfielder Amber Maisonet knocked a two-out double to left field. Nicole Kothe was hit by a pitch in the next at-bat to put two runners aboard. Second baseman Michelle Connors (Shenendehowa), an all-conference rookie team selection, drove an RBI single up the middle to score Maisonet that gave her team a 1-0 lead.

Boston U. (34-13), the America East regular-season champion, responded in the bottom of the frame, as third baseman Brooke Hudson reached on a single through the middle of the infield. Second baseman Brandi Shields followed with a base hit to put runners in scoring position. Shayne Lotito reached on an error by UAlbany third baseman Kelly Ogden that allowed Hudson scored on the play. UAlbany's Casey Halloran (Columbia) struck out Boston U.'s Rachel Hebert to end the inning with three runners left on base.

Halloran, a four-time all-conference hurler, tossed a complete game for the Great Danes, improving her record to 17-9. Halloran allowed just one unearned run, striking out eight in seven innings of work.

"It was a total team effort," said Halloran, who recorded her 14th complete game of the season. "My catcher called a great game, my first baseman was talking to me the whole time, my left fielder caught a ball at the fence and my shortstop hit a home run to win the game. I felt like I didn't have many strikeouts, but I felt my team was behind me all the way."

Butsch, who belted her sixth homer of the season, drew two walks in the game. Shields had two hits for the Terriers, who had won 18 of their 22 outings coming into the contest. Megan Currier, now 18-5 overall, tossed a complete game, fanning three in seven innings on the mound.

"It was a very well-played game by both teams," said UAlbany head coach Chris Cannata, who has led her team to six straight 30-win seasons and back-to-back America East championships. "It was a pitching duel the entire game. Casey got the outs for us when we needed them. There were a lot of base runners for both teams, and we bared down when the pressure was on."

UAlbany (31-15) will take on the winner of the Hartford/UMBC contest in the championship's second round on Friday at 11:00 a.m.

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**America East Conference Softball Championship – First Round**

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Casey Halloran and Kat Smith. Megan Currier and Christy Leath.

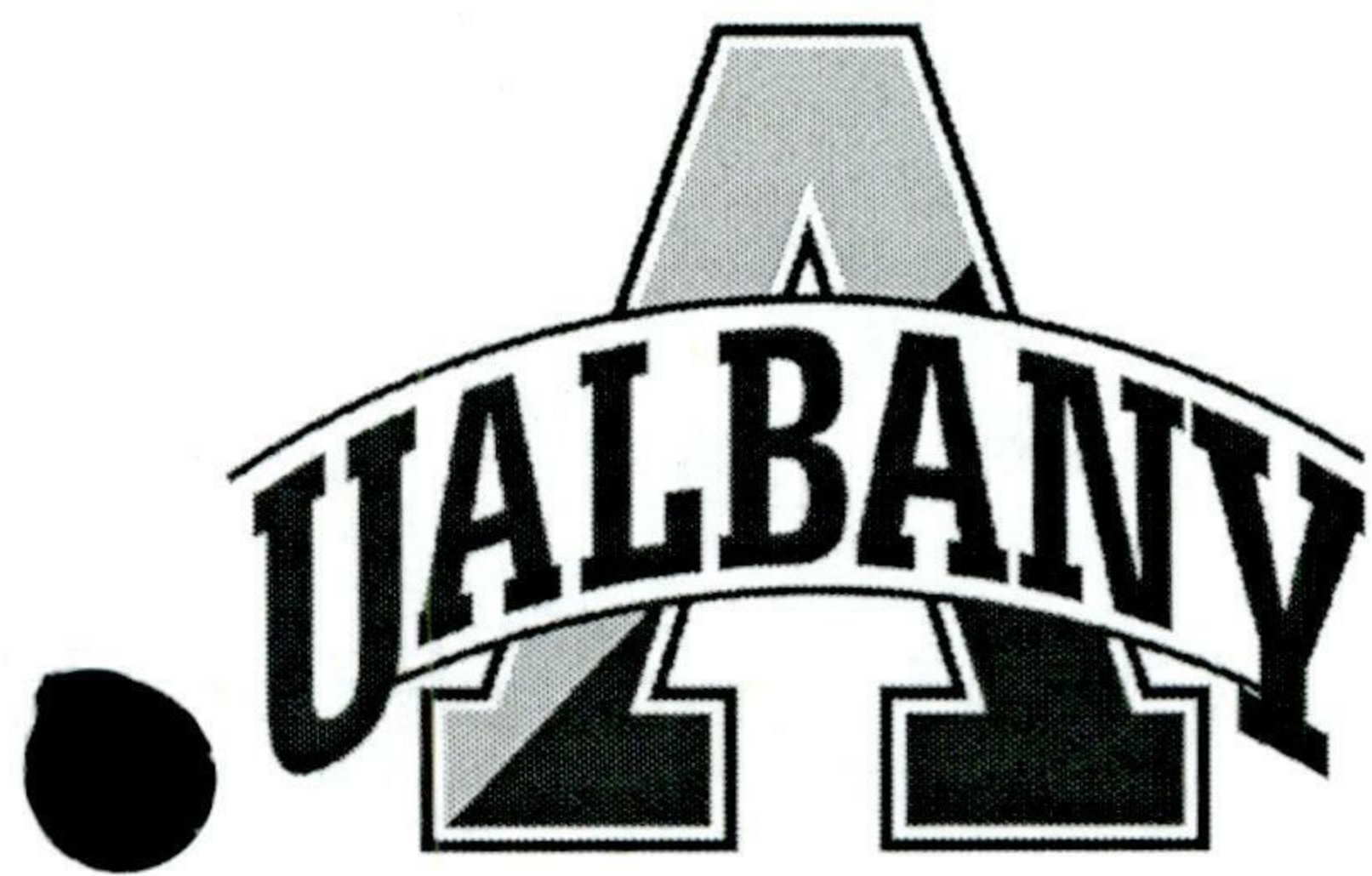
**AMBER MAISONET AND KELLY OGDEN EARN ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA ACCOLADES**

Albany, N.Y. – Junior left fielder Amber Maisonet and senior third baseman Kelly Ogden have been named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America All-District I Team, as announced by CoSIDA on Thursday. Maisonet was picked to the first team while Ogden earned second-team accolades.

Maisonet, who was named to the America East Conference first team and the league's all-academic squad on Wednesday, has a .384 batting average with a team-best 58 hits and 21 stolen bases. Maisonet, who earned a 3.91 cumulative GPA in psychology, was the conference's top student-athlete in softball.

Ogden, who will finish her career at UAlbany as the all-time leader in several categories, led the team this season with 41 RBI, 10 home runs and nine doubles. She joined Maisonet on the all-conference first team and all-academic unit. Ogden recorded a 3.60 GPA in psychology and sociology.





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## FIVE UALBANY SOFTBALL PLAYERS EARN ALL-AMERICA EAST CONFERENCE HONORS

Boston, Mass. – Freshman second baseman Michelle Connors (Shenendehowa) earned America East Conference First Team and Rookie Team honors to highlight five UAlbany softball players who received accolades at the annual conference softball banquet on Wednesday evening.

Junior leftfielder Amber Maisonet and senior third baseman Kelly Ogden joined Connors on the all-conference first team, while right-hander Leah McIntosh also earned a spot on the all-rookie team. Senior hurler Casey Halloran (Columbia) was named to the all-conference second team and joined Maisonet and Ogden on the all-academic squad.

Connors batted .346 with a team-high 38 runs scored in her first season with the Great Danes. She also recorded 28 RBI and went 12-of-14 on stolen base attempts. Maisonet hit .384, recording a team-best 58 hits and 21 stolen bases. Ogden, who will finish her career at UAlbany as the all-time leader in several categories, led the team with 41 RBI, 10 home runs and nine doubles off 52 hits. Ogden earned the conference's final player of the week honor for the regular season on Monday, May 7.

Halloran, who was named the conference's pitcher of the year last season, posted a 2.21 ERA as a senior, going 16-9 with 13 complete games in 32 appearances. Halloran, who was named the conference's pitcher of the week on back-to-back weeks to end the season, recorded 151 strikeouts in 152 innings of work. McIntosh, who earned pitcher and rookie of the week accolades during the first week of the season, was also honored with both awards to end the season. McIntosh posted a 3.16 ERA during her rookie season, going 9-5 in 24 appearances, striking out 146 opposing batters.

The 12-member all-academic team honors the conference's top athletes with a 3.0 grade point average or better. Maisonet, who earned a 3.91 cumulative GPA in psychology, was the conference's top student-athlete in softball. Ogden recorded a 3.60 GPA in psychology and sociology, while Halloran earned a 3.34 GPA in English.

Boston U., the top-seeded team in the conference tournament, swept all major awards. Sophomore catcher Christy Leath was named player of the year, while teammates Megan Currier and Rachel Hebert earned pitcher and rookie of the year honors, respectively. Head coach Shawn Rychcik was named coach of the year after leading the Terriers to the regular-season championship.

UAlbany (30-15, AE 11-9) will face Boston U. in the first round of the double-elimination conference tournament on Thursday at 1 p.m.

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### 2007 America East Conference Softball All-Conference Teams

**First Team:** Michelle Connors (UAlbany), Amber Maisonet (UAlbany), Kelly Ogden (UAlbany), Megan Currier (Boston U.), Melissa Dubay (Boston U.), Rachel Hebert (Boston U.), Christy Leath (Boston U.), Chiya Louie (Boston U.), Brittney Stratton (Hartford), Alexis Souhlaris (Maine), Melanie Denischuk (UMBC), Amanda Fefel (UMBC).

**Second Team:** Casey Halloran (UAlbany), Shayne Lotito (Boston U.), Brooke Hudson (Boston U.), Brandi Shields (Boston U.), Kristie Rochette (Hartford), Kristie Hawkins (Maine), Whitney Spangler (Maine), Ashley Gray (UMBC), Reilly Ward (UMBC), Kelsi Fanelli (Stony Brook), Marissa Fleury (Stony Brook).

**All-Rookie Team:** Michelle Connors (UAlbany), Leah McIntosh (UAlbany), Megan Currier (Boston U.), Rachel Hebert (Boston U.), Brittney Stratton (Hartford), Amanda Dilworth (Hartford), Rachel Clonick (Hartford), Alexis Souhlaris (Maine), Whitney Spangler (Maine), Amanda Fefel (UMBC), Lauren O'Malley (UMBC), Vicki Kavitsky (Stony Brook).

**All-Academic Team:** Amber Maisonet (UAlbany), Kelly Ogden (UAlbany), Casey Halloran (UAlbany), Christy Leath (Boston U.), Chiya Louie (Boston U.), Kristie Hawkins (Hartford), Ashley Waters (Maine), Melanie Denischuk (UMBC), Kalie Shirk (UMBC), Marissa Fleury (Stony Brook), Sarah Hoffman (Stony Brook).

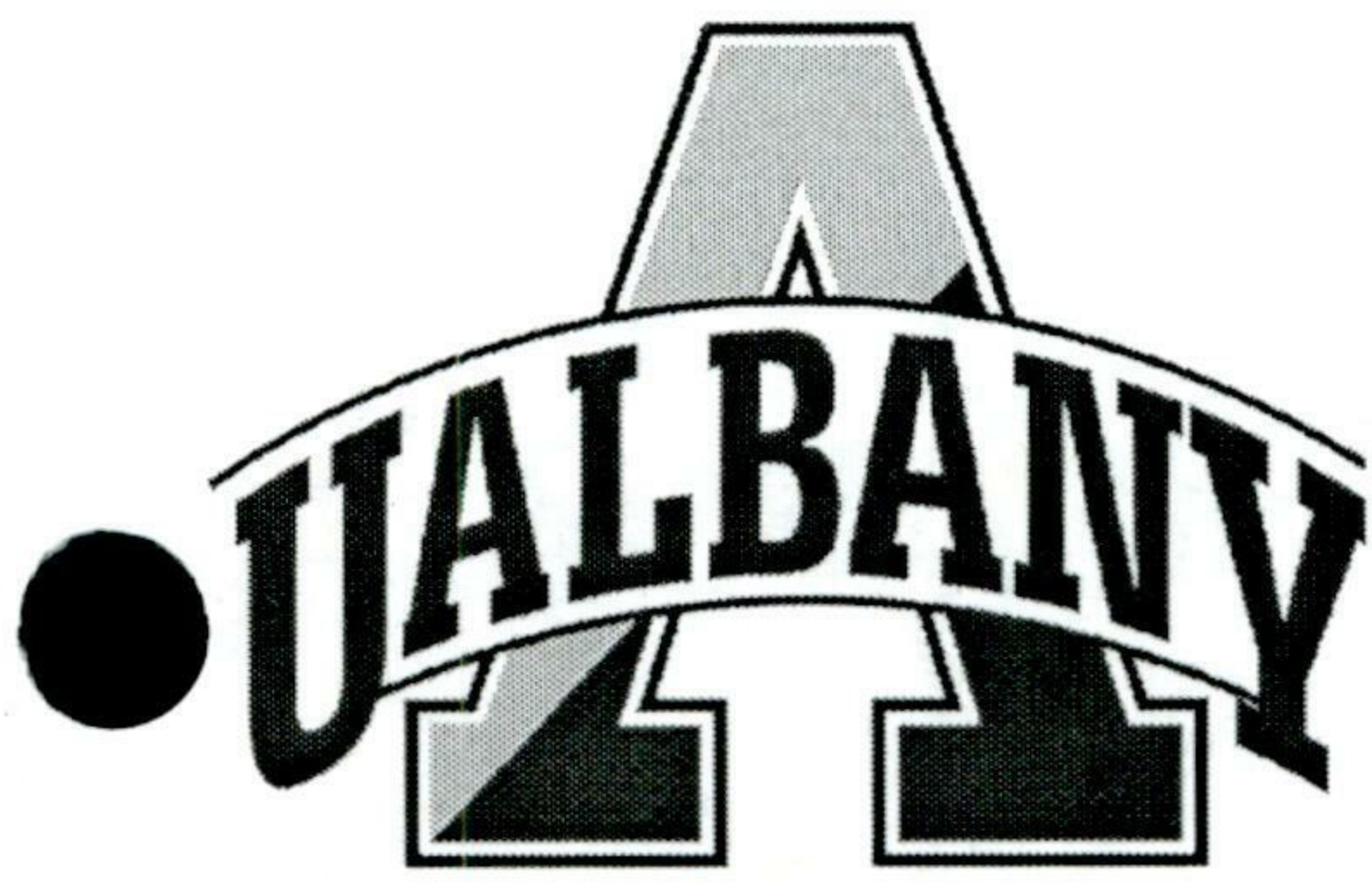
**Rookie of the Year:** Rachel Hebert (Boston U.)

**Coach of the Year:** Shawn Rychcik (Boston U.)

**Pitcher of the Year:** Megan Currier (Boston U.)

**Player of the Year:** Christy Leath (Boston U.)





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### UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ANNOUNCES 2007 GREAT DANES FIELD HOCKEY SCHEDULE

Albany, N.Y. -- University at Albany Vice President and Director of Athletics Lee McElroy announced the school's field hockey schedule for 2007 on Wednesday. The Great Danes will play five games against America East Conference opponents, including Fairfield, who is in their first year of league membership. The non-league schedule features James Madison, the 2006 Colonial Athletic Association champion and Ohio, last season's Mid-American Conference champion.

The Great Danes start the season on the road for the third straight year, playing Appalachian State on August 25 and James Madison on August 26. The team will also visit Indiana and Louisville in the early going before hosting Temple in the first home game of the season on Sept. 7. UAlbany will host Ohio on Sept. 9 at Alumni Turf Field and will play crosstown-rival Siena on Sept. 14, also at home. The Great Danes make mid-September trips to Boston College and Colgate and host Patriot League opponent Holy Cross on Sept. 22.

UAlbany will start conference play at Maine on Sept. 29 and will wrap up the month with a home contest against Massachusetts. The Great Danes host league foe Vermont on Oct. 6 and welcome first-year member Fairfield, which competed in the Northeast Conference prior to joining the America East, on Oct. 7. The team will play three straight road games against Cornell, Boston University and Rutgers and close out the season with a home game against league-rival New Hampshire on Oct. 27. The America East tournament will take place at the highest seed on Nov. 4-6.

UAlbany finished 12-7 overall last season, and earned a share of the conference's regular-season title with a 4-1 record. Returning forward Michelle Simpson was named the conference's offensive player of the year after scoring 14 goals and recording seven assists in her first season with the Great Danes. Goalkeeper Ashley Ross, who posted a 1.41 goals against average last season, will return in the cage. Head coach Phil Sykes, who is entering his fourth season at the helm of the UAlbany program, will also welcome nine freshmen to the squad.

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#### 2007 University at Albany Field Hockey Schedule

**August** -- 25 (Sat.), vs. Appalachian State (Harrisonburg, Va.), 2:00; 26 (Sun.), at James Madison, 2:00; 31 (Fri.), at Indiana, 3:00.

**September** -- 2 (Sun.), at Louisville, 1:00; 7 (Fri.), Temple, 3:30; 9 (Sun.), Ohio, 1:00; 14 (Fri.), Siena, 7:00; 16 (Sun.), at Boston College, 2:00; 19 (Wed.), at Colgate, 7:00; 22 (Sat.), Holy Cross, 1:00; 29 (Sat.), at Maine\*, 1:00; 30 (Sun.), Massachusetts, 3:30.

**October** -- 6 (Sat.), Vermont\*, 1:00, 7 (Sun.), Fairfield\*, 3:00; 13 (Sat.), at Cornell, 7:30; 20 (Sat.), at Boston U.\*, 1:00; 21 (Sun.), Rutgers, 3:00; 27 (Sat.), New Hampshire\*, 1:00

**November** -- 4-6 (Sun.-Tues.), America East Tournament, TBA.

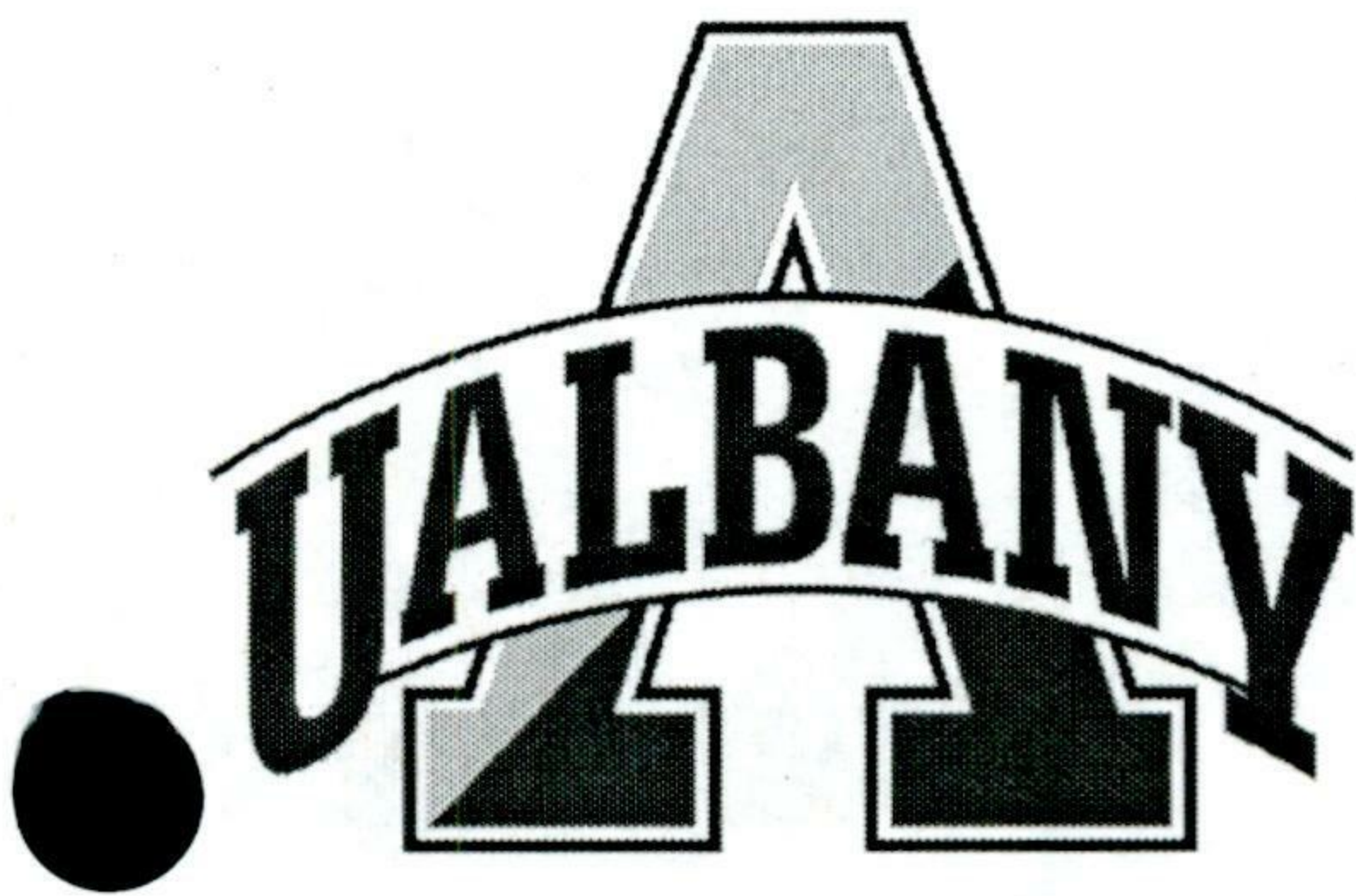
\*America East Conference Opponent All Times Eastern

#### UALBANY'S ASHLEY DeNEAL ONE OF 10 NOMINEES FOR AMERICA EAST WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Boston, Mass. -- University at Albany's Ashley DeNeal in one of 10 nominees for the America East Woman of the Year as announced by the conference office. DeNeal, a senior outside hitter on the women's volleyball team, has a 3.57 cumulative grade point average in a dual major of criminal justice and psychology. A two-time first-team all-conference selection, DeNeal was voted the 2006 America East Conference championship's most outstanding player when she led the Great Danes to their second NCAA appearance. DeNeal received an ECAC Merit Medal on Monday as the school's top senior female student-athlete.

The America East nominees will be narrowed down to three finalists on Wednesday, May 23 with the America East Woman of the Year announced on June 12.





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### UALBANY BASEBALL FALLS IN NON-CONFERENCE TILT WITH MANHATTAN

Riverdale, N.Y. – First baseman Matt Rizzotti went 4-for-5 with two runs scored and four RBI, hitting a three-run homer in the sixth inning that gave Manhattan a 9-3 win over UAlbany in non-conference baseball action on Tuesday afternoon.

The Jaspers scored the first run of the game in the second inning of an RBI double by Nunzio Franzese before posting five runs in the third. Manhattan (31-13) rattled off five straight base hits to start the inning, with Rizzotti recording a hit, one RBI and scoring a run.

UAlbany (20-24) got on the scoreboard with two runs in the fourth. Senior first baseman Steve Sayre (Columbia) drove an extra-base hit to centerfield and was driven home on an RBI double by Mike Konstanty. Tom Zink drove in Konstanty with a double of his own before the Great Danes ended the inning with a bases loaded pop-up.

Rizzotti put the game out of reach for UAlbany in the sixth, as Rene Ruiz and Kevin Nieto knocked out back-to-back singles before getting driven in with Rizzotti's homer to right field.

Brian Prendergast picked up the win for Manhattan, going three innings in relief with three strikeouts. Right-hander Josh Willimott got the loss for the Great Danes, fanning four in five innings of work.

Zink finished with two hits and one RBI for UAlbany, while pinch hitter Dan Koegel recorded a double and scored the Great Danes' final run in the top of the ninth inning.

UAlbany will host UMBC in a four-game America East Conference series starting on Friday with a single game at 3 p.m.

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Zac Goyer, Brian Prendergast (5), Brian Searls (8), Tom Moran (9) and Nick Derba, Anthony Armenio.





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## UALBANY SEEDED FOURTH FOR AMERICA EAST SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany has earned the fourth seed for this week's America East Conference Softball Championship. The Great Danes made the tournament field with two wins over Stony Brook in the final regular-season series of the season last weekend. The championship will be held at the Boston University Softball Field. The America East champion receives an automatic berth in the NCAA field.

UAlbany (30-15, AE 11-9) tangles with No. 1 seed and regular-season champion Boston U. (34-12, AE 17-3) in the first round of the double-elimination tournament on Thursday, May 10 at 1:00 p.m. The Terriers won 2-of-3 in the regular-season series between the two teams that took place on March 31 and April 1.

UMBC (30-16, AE 13-8) earned the No. 2 seed and will face No. 3 seeded Hartford (22-25, AE 12-8) also on Thursday, at 4:00 p.m.. The second round of play will take place on Friday, with the championship being played on Saturday at noon.

The Great Danes, who have reached the 30-win mark in six consecutive seasons, returns to America East postseason play after winning two consecutive conference championships in 2005 and 2006.

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### 2007 America East Conference Softball Championship

(played at Boston University Softball Field)

#### Thursday, May 10, 2007

Game 1: #1 Boston University vs. #4 UAlbany, 1:00 p.m.

Game 2: #2 UMBC vs. #3 Hartford, 4:00 p.m.

#### Friday, May 11, 2007

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

#### Saturday, May 12, 2007

Game 6: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 5 (championship), 12:00 p.m.

Game 7: If necessary (to follow Game 6), 2:30 p.m.

## UALBANY ANNOUNCES NCAA MEN'S LACROSSE TOURNAMENT TICKET PRICES

Albany, N.Y. – Tickets are now on sale for first round of the NCAA Men's Lacrosse Championship, held at UAlbany's John Fallon Field on Sunday, May 13. UAlbany (14-2), the championship's fifth seed, meets Loyola (7-5) at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets are available at SEFCU Arena's Merchandise Store on campus. The box office will be open from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. through Friday. Ticket prices are \$5.00 for adults and students (all seats are general admission), while youth 12-under can purchase at ticket for \$2.00. For ticket information, call 518-442-4683. Phone orders will be accepted and the athletic ticket office accepts Visa, MasterCard and Discover.

The Great Danes, who won the America East Conference championship, are making their fourth NCAA appearance. Loyola is in the NCAA field for the 15th time, but first since 1991.





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## KELLY OGDEN AND LEAH McINTOSH EARN AMERICA EAST SOFTBALL HONORS

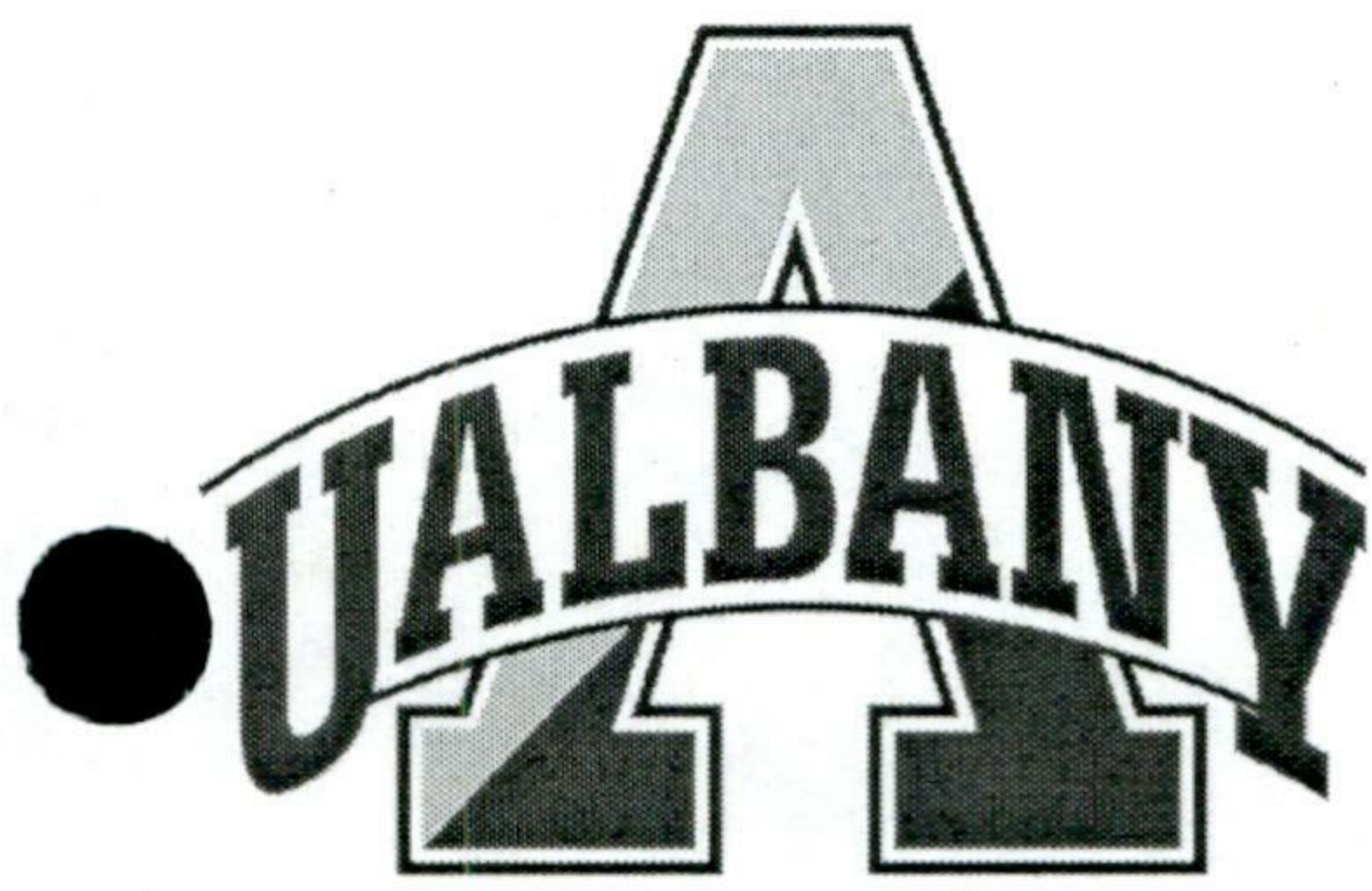
Boston, Mass. – Senior third baseman Kelly Ogden was named the America East Conference Player of the Week, while freshman pitcher Leah McIntosh earned both pitcher and rookie of the week accolades, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon.

Ogden led UAlbany to a 4-1 record last week, batting .625 with 10 hits, six runs scored and five RBI. The senior third baseman knocked out three doubles, one triple and one home run, while also going 2-for-2 on stolen base attempts. Ogden went 3-for-4 with three runs scored, two RBI, a triple and a homer in the Great Danes' 8-1 win over crosstown-rival Siena on Tuesday. She went 3-for-4, scoring two runs and driving in one more in the nightcap of that doubleheader. Ogden finished 2-for-2 with two RBI in a 3-0 win over Hartford in the first game of a conference doubleheader on Saturday and had a double and a stolen base on Senior Day on Sunday.

McIntosh posted a 0.47 ERA in four appearances last week. The freshman right-hander allowed just five hits and one earned run in 15.0 innings of work, striking out 29 and holding opponents to a .100 average. She earned a win in her only start of the week, a 3-0 win over Stony Brook on Saturday. McIntosh tossed a complete-game one-hitter, striking out 12 and issuing no walks in a seven-inning performance. She also saw time in relief in three other games, striking out six in three innings of work in an 11-4 win over Siena and finishing up the week with seven strikeouts in three innings in the series finale against Stony Brook.

The Great Danes, who are seeded fourth in the America East tournament, will face top-seeded Boston U. on Thursday, May 10.





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## UALBANY MEETS LOYOLA IN NCAA FIRST ROUND AT JOHN FALLON FIELD

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany will meet Loyola in the first round of the NCAA Men's Lacrosse Championship on Sunday, May 13 at John Fallon Field. Face-off is 2:30 p.m. All opening round matchups will be televised nationally by ESPNU. The Great Danes, who won the America East Conference title to earn an automatic berth, earned the tournament's No. 5 seed.

NCAA tickets will go on sale on Tuesday morning (May 8) at SEFCU Arena's Merchandise Store on campus. The box office will be open from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. through Friday. Ticket prices will be announced. For ticket information, call 518-442-4683. Phone orders will be accepted and the athletic ticket office accepts Visa, MasterCard and Discover.

UAlbany (14-2) is making its fourth NCAA appearance in the last five years. The Great Danes edged UMBC, 15-14, in last Saturday's conference championship. Frank Resetarits leads the nation in scoring with 54 goals and 21 assists, while Merrick Thomson, the league tournament's most outstanding player, adds 49 goals and 12 assists.

"I am happy to be home and excited that we are seeded fifth," said Thomson, whose team will be the first America East lacrosse program to host an NCAA contest. "This shows that we are starting to step out of Syracuse's shadow and making a name for ourselves and the school."

Loyola (7-5) returns to the NCAA field for the first time since 2001. The Greyhounds, who garnered an at-large berth with their second-place finish in the ECAC, are in the national tournament for the 15th time. Shane Koppens leads the team in scoring with 18 goals and 26 assists. Goalkeeper Alex Peaty has a 9.43 goals against average with a .562 save percentage.





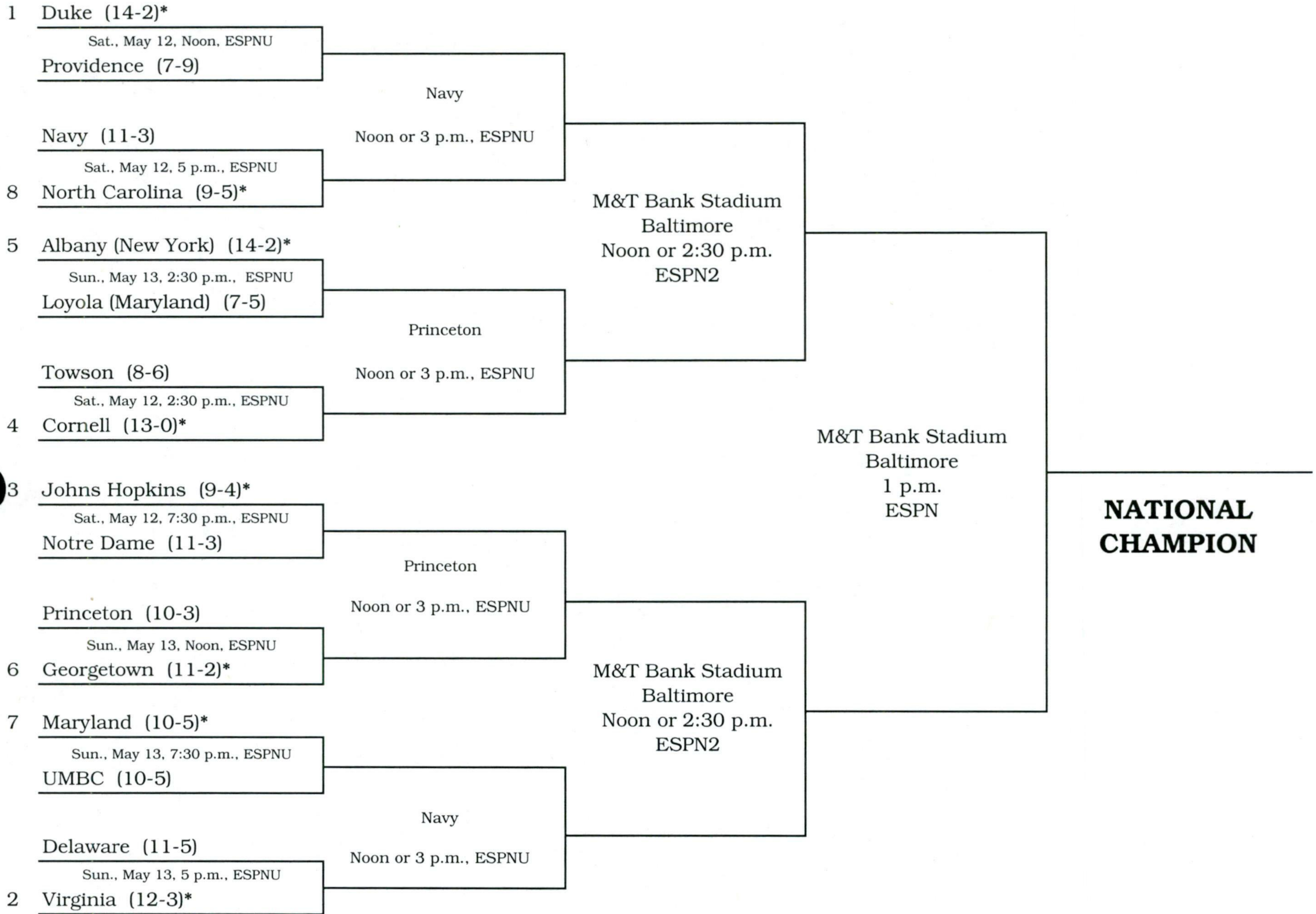
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**\*FIRST-ROUND**

**\*\*QUARTERFINALS**

**SEMIFINALS**  
Saturday, May 26

**FINAL**  
Monday, May 28



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## UALBANY ATHLETES EARN HONORS AT SEVENTH ANNUAL GREAT DANE AWARDS

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany Vice President and Director of Athletics Lee McElroy presented Ashley DeNeal, Kate Fontana and Ryan Chrobak with ECAC Merit Medals on Monday evening at the seventh annual Great Dane Awards, held at SEFCU Arena on campus. The event celebrates UAlbany Athletics in the 2006-07 academic year. Presidential Scholar-Athlete Awards were given to Stephan Hall and Alyssa Lotmore. Each of the 19 intercollegiate men's and women's teams handed out their most valuable player awards.

ECAC Merit Medals are annually awarded to the school's top senior male and female student-athletes who have shown excellence in the classroom and as competitive athletes during the current academic year. Presidential Scholar-Athlete Awards are presented to the Department of Athletics' top students.

DeNeal, a senior outside hitter on the women's volleyball team, has a 3.57 cumulative grade point average in a dual major of criminal justice and psychology. DeNeal was named the 2006 America East Conference Championship's Most Outstanding Player after leading the Great Danes to a five-game, come-from-behind victory over UMBC in the tournament championship. DeNeal, a first-team all-conference selection for the second year in a row, led the program to a pair of NCAA Tournament appearances during her career.

Fontana, a senior midfielder on the women's lacrosse squad, has a 3.72 GPA in criminal justice. She is the first player in the program's history to be chosen to the All-America East Conference team in four consecutive years, including three first-team selections. Fontana had 38 goals and eight assists for the Great Danes, who made their first-ever appearance in the conference championship game. She finishes her career as the school's all-time scorer with 156 goals and 36 assists for 192 points.

Chrobak, who had a 3.56 GPA as an undergraduate, is currently enrolled in UAlbany's criminal justice program. He was voted the football program's top defensive back for the third straight year after making 43 tackles and recording a team-high nine pass break-ups. UAlbany posted a 7-4 record and finished second in the Northeast Conference standings. Chrobak, who had 188 tackles, 29 pass break-ups and six interceptions as a collegian, was voted to the 2006 Division I FCS Athletic Directors Academic All-Star Team.

Hall, who is pursuing a master's degree in information technology systems, was a two-time All-America East Conference midfielder in men's soccer. He started 74 career matches and totaled 10 goals and 15 assists. Hall was named to the ESPN The Magazine University Division Men's Soccer Academic All-America national first team for the second consecutive year. He earned his B.S. in urban planning last May with a 3.98 cumulative GPA and received the Chancellor's Scholar-Athlete Award.

Lotmore, a senior distance runner on the women's track and field and cross country teams, has a 3.85 GPA in social welfare. Lotmore won two events at the 2007 America East Conference Indoor Track & Field Championships by finishing first in the 3,000- and 5,000-meter runs. She posted a season-best time of 9:51.40 in the 3,000 and was first across the line in the 5,000 by nearly 24 seconds. Lotmore was named to the America East indoor track all-academic team.





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## UALBANY WINS MEN'S & WOMEN'S AMERICA EAST TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Baltimore, Md. – Joe Greene was named the championship's most outstanding performer as UAlbany captured its fourth America East Conference men's track and field championship in the last five years on Sunday afternoon at UMBC Stadium Complex. The Great Danes also won the women's championship for the second consecutive year.

Greene, a sophomore, placed first in the 400-meter dash and 400-hurdles for the second year in a row, plus was a member of the winning 4x400 relay, as the Great Danes set a meet record with 268 points. UAlbany held the previous standard with 230 points in 2003. Greene sprinted the 400-dash in a school and championship record of 47.09 seconds. He posted a 400-hurdles' time of 52.95 seconds.

Junior Burnett earned the Coaches' Award by scoring 23 points, as he won the 100-meter dash and was a member of two winning relays. Burnett crossed the finish line in the 100 with a time of 10.90 seconds. He ran the second leg on the 4x100 relay that was clocked in 41.37. Burnett teamed with Weider, Greene and Gered Burns (Guilderland) to set a meet record in the 4x400 relay of 3:10.85.

Burns was among six individual men's champions on the day, as he took the 800-meter crown in 1:50.15. Pat Weider was first in the 200-dash (21.76) and ran the lead-off leg on both winning relays. Freddie Wills won the triple jump with a leap of 46-feet, 10-inches. Renauld Buck was second in the shot put (48-2.50) and David Parker (Niskayuna) finished third in the decathlon with 5,830 points.

UAlbany recorded its second straight women's track title by scoring 162 points. The Great Danes, who were in fourth place in the standings after the first day, edged New Hampshire for the crown. Jessica Ortman captured her second consecutive 1,500-meter championship with a time of 4:29.65. Ortman, a sophomore, also had a pair of second-place showings in the 800-meters and 3,000m steeplechase. Adanna Andrews held on against her teammate to win the 800 in 2:11.28. Brenna Militello won the high jump with a mark 5-feet, 7-inches after finishing fifth last year.

The Great Danes showed balance with five athletes taking second in their respective events. Anisha Andrews posted a time of 56.76 in the 400-dash and was six-hundredths of a second behind champion Keisha Short of Binghamton. Kamilah McShine (100-hurdles), Sarah Charles (triple jump), Ritshell Verdier (discus) and Valerie Maignan (heptathlon) were also second.

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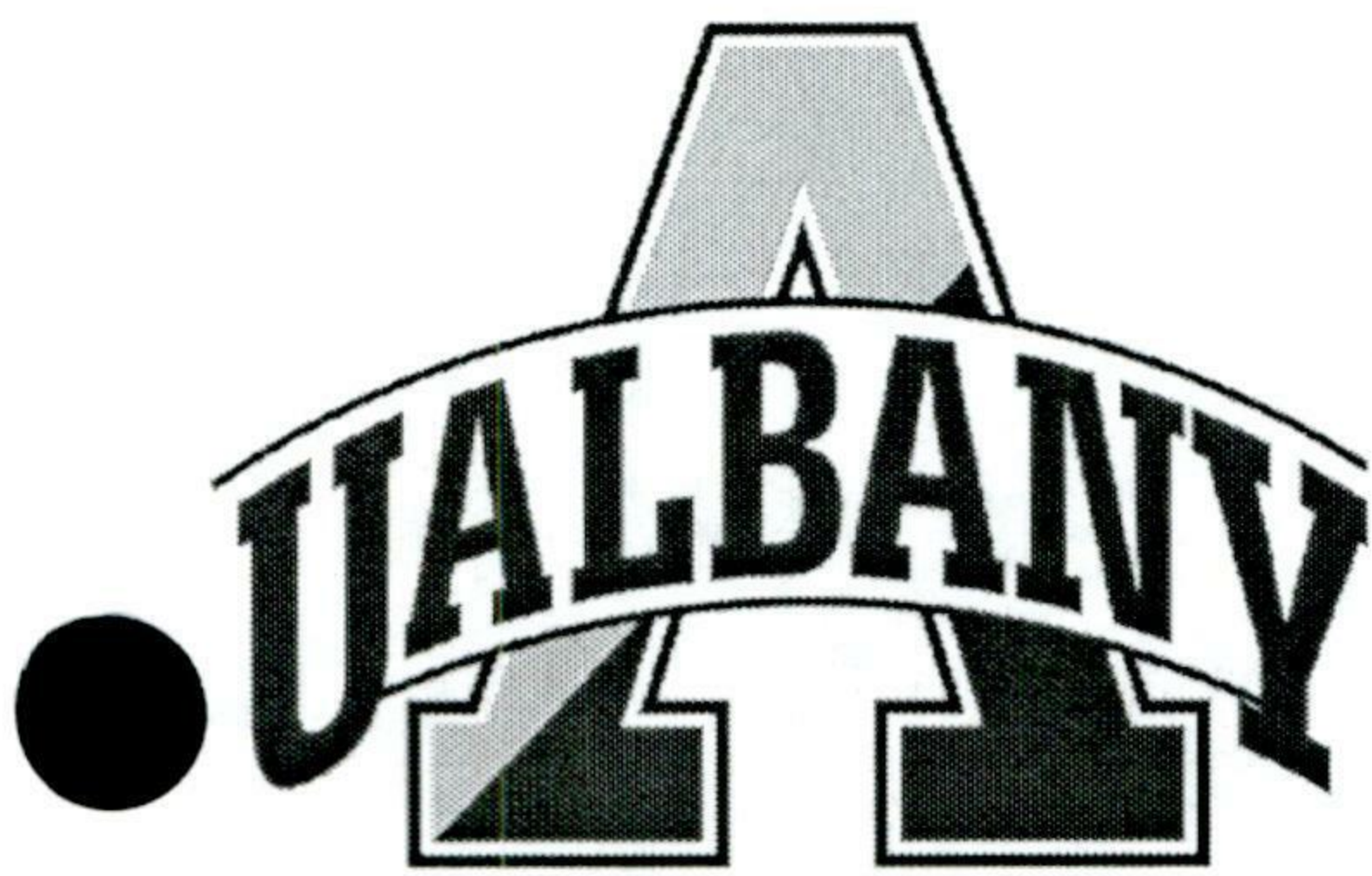
America East Conference Men's Track & Field Championship

1. UAlbany 268, 2. New Hampshire 154, 3. UMBC 113, 4. Binghamton 100, 5. Boston U. 82, 6. Stony Brook 57, 7. Maine 45, 8. Vermont 25, 9. Hartford 11.

America East Conference Women's Track & Field Championship

1. UAlbany 162, 2. New Hampshire 156, 3. Boston U. 139.50, 4. Vermont 110.50, 5. Binghamton 101, 6. Maine 73, 7. UMBC 70, 8. Stony Brook 31, 9. Hartford 14.





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**BOSTON U. WINS THIRD CONSECUTIVE AMERICA EAST TITLE IN VICTORY OVER UALBANY**

Stony Brook, N.Y. – Lauren Morton scored four of her five goals in the opening half in leading Boston University to a 17-9 victory over UAlbany in the America East Conference women’s lacrosse championship on Sunday afternoon at Stony Brook’s LaValle Stadium. The Terriers, who won their third consecutive conference crown, earned an automatic NCAA berth.

Boston U. (13-5) ran off six unanswered goals to take an 8-1 lead with 4:36 remaining in the first half. Morton, a junior attacker, scored three times in that stretch. She drilled a sidearm shot over top of a defensive double-team for a five-goal advantage. After freshman midfielder McKinley Curro drove from behind the cage to find the net, Morton ended that run by converting a free-position attempt.

UAlbany (8-9) trailed 13-5 with nearly nine minutes elapsed in the second half as the championship’s most outstanding player Molly Collins placed a shot inside the right post. But the Great Danes, who upset top-seed Stony Brook in Friday’s semifinal round, scored three straight times over the next 10 minutes. Rory Redmond connected from in front of the crease, before Christine Grueniger scored 19 seconds later after Kayla Best controlled the draw. Brittany Scott blasted in a rebound after Kate Fontana’s free-position attempt was saved by BU goalkeeper Jenna Golden.

The Great Danes, who were seeded fourth in this tournament, still were within 14-9 when Fontana drove into the middle and rifled a shot into the right side. However, the Terriers, who shared the conference’s regular-season title, put the game away with three goals over a one-minute-and-21-second span. Freshman Jenny Martin countered Fontana’s goal just nine seconds after Curro gained the draw control. Sarah Dalton and Angie Martin, who had three goals and two assists, padded the margin.

“We started tight where we didn’t take care of the ball,” said UAlbany coach Lindsey Hart, whose team made its first-ever championship game appearance. “Our defensive play kept us in there and we fought throughout the whole game. Draw controls usually have a bearing on the outcome and they (Boston U.) had that confidence that they were going to come up with the ball. Our seniors laid the foundation for this program to keep building upon. We just need to stay focused on that goal.”

Freshman Kayla Best (Guilderland) led the Great Danes with three goals and one assist, while Fontana scored three times, including her 38th of the season. Goalkeeper Jen Daly, a member of the all-championship squad, made 15 saves. Curro finished with three goals and two assists for the Terriers, who are ranked No. 20 by Inside Lacrosse and have won nine in a row. Collins scored twice and added an assist.

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America East Conference Women’s Lacrosse Championship

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| UAlbany (8-9)    | 2 | 7 | - | 9  |
| Boston U. (13-5) | 8 | 9 | - | 17 |

UAlbany – Scoring: Kayla Best 3-1, Kate Fontana 3-0, Christine Grueniger 1-0, Rory Redmond 1-0, Brittany Scott 1-0, Sarah Spillett 0-1, Katelyn Primomo 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Jen Daly (60:00, 15 saves, 17 GA).

Boston U. – Scoring: Lauren Morton 5-0, McKinley Curro 3-2, Angie Martin 3-2, Molly Collins 2-1, Sarah Dalton 2-0, Jenny Martin 1-1, Traci Landy 1-0; Goalkeeper(s): Jenna Golden (60:00, 7 saves, 9 GA).

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## UALBANY WOMEN'S GOLF TAKES THIRD AT AMERICA EAST CHAMPIONSHIP

Apalachin, N.Y. – Jessica Signorelli fired a second-round 87 on the final day of the America East Conference Women's Golf Championship, held at The Links at Hiawatha Landing on Sunday afternoon. Boston University won the competition with a team score of 676. Hartford took second with 683 strokes, while UAlbany placed third with a two-round total of 742.

Signorelli led the team and finished sixth in the individual competition, posting a two-day total of 172 on the par-72 course. Maggie Taylert turned in an 11th-place showing with a final round of 84 and a 36-hole total of 179. Sun Hwa Kim and Tracey Berns each improved in the final round, finishing with scores of 192 (100-92) and 199 (100-99), respectively. Mary Jane Restey combined for a 240 over the two-day competition (113-127).

Boston University's Lauren Strong won the individual title, firing a championship-best 79 in the second round.

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America East Conference Women's Golf Championship

### TEAM

1. Boston University 338-338 - 676; 2. Hartford 344-339 - 683; 3. UAlbany 380-362 - 742.

### INDIVIDUAL

1. Lauren Strong (BU) 84-79 - 163; 2. Juliana Carrillo (Hartford) 84-82 - 166; 3. Allison Hamilton (BU) 80-87 - 167; 4. Sadie Heald (Hartford) 86-82 - 168; 5. Dierdre Hatfield (BU) 85-85 - 170; 6. Jessica Signorelli (UAlbany) 85-87 - 172; 7. Megan Claxton (Hartford) 86-88 - 174; 8. Catherine Dillman (Hartford) 88-87 - 175; 9. Hannah Barry (BU) 89-88 - 177; 10. Kaitlyn Mardeusz (BU) 91-87 - 178; t11. Maggie Taylert (UAlbany) 95-84 - 179, t11. Paige Gauthier (Hartford) 91-88 - 179; 13. Sun Hwa Kim (UAlbany) 100-92 - 192; 14. Tracey Berns (UAlbany) 100-99 - 199; 15. Mary Jane Restey (UAlbany) 113-127 - 240.

## UALBANY DROPS FINALE WITH STONY BROOK; EARNS FOURTH SEED IN TOURNEY

Albany, N.Y. – Stony Brook used a five-run fourth inning, which included a two-RBI double by designated player Jamie Downer, to take a 6-1 win over UAlbany in the America East Conference series finale on Sunday afternoon.

Stony Brook (28-20, AE 11-9) scored the first run of the game with a solo homer by left fielder Ashley Westphal in the top of the third inning. The Seawolves then tacked on five more in the fourth, paced by Downer's double to centerfield and a two-RBI single by shortstop Victoria Kavitsky later in the inning.

UAlbany (30-15, AE 12-9) scored its only run of the day in the bottom of the fifth frame. Junior first baseman Leanne Tillman led off with a double to left centerfield, and later scored on an RBI single by right fielder Bailey Van Deest. The Great Danes were able to load the bases with back-to-back singles by Amber Maisonet and Nicole Kothe, but Stony Brook hurler Sarah Hoffman induced a fly out to end the inning.

Hoffman finished with four strikeouts in a complete-game performance for the Seawolves. UAlbany starter Casey Halloran (Columbia) went four innings for the Great Danes, fanning three, while freshman Leah McIntosh tossed three innings in relief, striking out seven opposing batters.

The Great Danes, who earned the fourth seed in the America East tournament with a two-game sweep of Stony Brook on Saturday, will start tournament play on Thursday, May 10. The tournament will take place at top-seeded Boston U., with UAlbany playing the host Terriers in the first round of the double-elimination format.

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| UAlbany (30-15, AE 12-9)     | 000 | 010 | 0 | - | 1 | 6 | 2 |

Sarah Hoffman and Marissa Fleury.

Casey Halloran, Leah McIntosh (5) and Kat Smith.

### GREAT DANES FALL TO AMERICA EAST FOE HARTFORD, 3-2, IN EXTRA INNINGS

West Hartford, Conn. – Outfielder Adam Bowser hit a walk-off single to lead Hartford to a 3-2 victory over UAlbany in 11 innings on Sunday afternoon at Campus Field.

With two outs in the bottom of the 11th frame, second baseman Ben Sobocinski singled up the middle. A throwing error on UAlbany third baseman Steve Wyland allowed third baseman Bill Perry to reach first safely while Sobocinski advanced to third. Bowser then drove a two-strike pitch over the head of centerfielder Dave West to score Sobocinski for the game-winning run.

The Hawks allowed the first UAlbany scored the first run of the game in the first inning, when West, who reached on a lead-off double, scored on a sacrifice fly by Wyland. Shortstop Brady Stouffer hit a solo home run down the left field line to tie the score at one, the first of two ties in the game.

UAlbany (20-23, AE 7-9) took a 2-1 lead in the top of the eighth after Hartford loaded the bases with walks. Catcher Tom Hill and shortstop Sean Donovan each reached base on balls before advancing to scoring position with a passed ball. Marc Toomey entered the game for the Hawks and intentionally walked first baseman Steve Sayre. Second baseman Al Barbato then drove a line-out to the left fielder, which sent Hill home for the go-ahead run.

Hartford (12-30, AE 8-11) answered in the bottom half of the inning as first baseman Chris Hebert knocked an RBI single to right field to score Bowser, who reached on a lead-off single.

Toomey picked up the win for the Hawks, pitching the final four innings, while not allowing a run on three hits, and striking out two batters. Hartford was led at the plate by designated hitter Greg Cinelli, who finished 3-for-5. Bowser finished the game with two hits, one run scored and one RBI.

Wyland finished 2-for-4 with an RBI while West recorded two hits for the Great Danes.

Sophomore Cory Warrings went six innings with four strikeouts, while Jeff Kaier saw three innings of relief on the mound. Right-hander Sean Gregory picked up the loss for UAlbany.

The Great Danes will return to action on Tuesday with a non-conference match-up at Manhattan at 3 p.m.

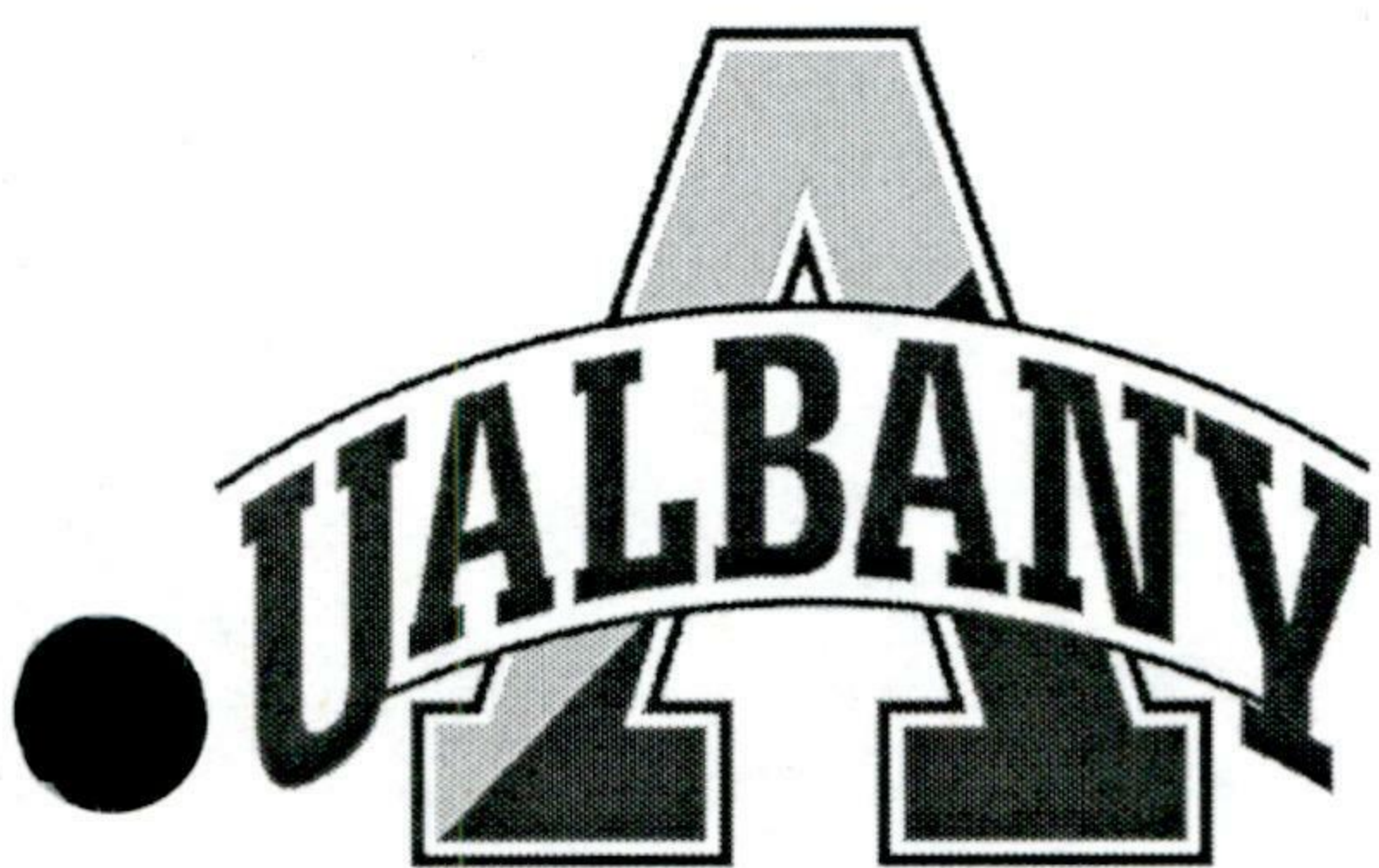
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| Hartford (12-13, AE 8-11) | 000 | 010 | 010 | 01 | - | 3 | 8 | 1 |

Cory Warrings, Jeff Kaier (7), Sean Gregory (10) and Tom Hill.

Kyle Perry, Bob Rogers (5), Marc Toomey (8) and Ryan Crowley.





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## MEN FIRST, WOMEN FOURTH AFTER FIRST DAY OF A-EAST TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP

Baltimore, Md. – Marc Pallozzi (Lansingburgh) won his second javelin throw title, as the UAlbany men's squad leads after the first day of competition at the America East Conference Track and Field Championship held on Saturday, May 5 at UMBC's Track and Field Facility. The women are in fourth place as Jenn Garrant captured the long jump title.

Pallozzi, a senior, won his event with a throw of 216-feet and 2-inches, nearly 23 feet more than the next competitor. He lowered his NCAA-qualifying distance with that performance. Palozzi also finished first in 2005, but was second one year ago.

The Great Danes dominated the long jump by taking the top four places. Gabriel Lopez was first with an NCAA-qualifying distance of 23-feet and 4.5 inches. Felipe Reyes (Christian Brothers Academy) was second with 23-feet, 2.5-inches, Valeté Graham third with 22-feet, 9-inches, while Chase Frazier finished fourth with 22-feet, 8.5-inches.

Ricardo Estremera was UAlbany's third champion of the day when he ran an NCAA regional qualifying time of 9:03.46 to win the 3,000-meter run. David Parker (Niskayuna) is in second place behind UMBC's Charles Devaud after five events in the decathlon. Parker has 3,371 points. Joe Greene qualified for the finals in two events during Saturday's preliminaries in the 400-meter dash and 400-hurdles. Junior Burnett had the fastest time in 100-meter dash qualifying with a time 10.80 seconds.

Freshman Luke Schoen finished second in the pole vault with a school-record mark of 16-feet, 8.75-inches. He went 16-7 to set the previous standard at the New York Relays on April 22. Freddie Wills took third in the high jump by clearing the bar at 6-feet, 6-inches.

In the women's competition, Garrant won the long jump with a leap of 18-feet,3-inches. Jessica Ortman was second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 10:56.65. Ashley Lewis finished fifth with a javelin throw of 105-feet, 2-inches. Valerie Maignan is in second place after day one of the heptathlon with a score of 2,385, just 130 points behind Binghamton's Marsha Fiesinger.

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### MEN

1. UAlbany 81, 2. New Hampshire 66, 3. Binghamton 41; 4. Maine 19, 5. UMBC 18, 6. Boston U. 17, 7. Vermont 12, 8. Stony Brook 11, 9. Hartford 8.

### WOMEN

1. New Hampshire 65, 2. Boston U. 39.50, 3. Vermont 35.5, 4. UAlbany 30, 5. Binghamton 21, 6. Maine 19, 7. UMBC 13, 8. Stony Brook 11.





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### UALBANY SPLITS AMERICA EAST BASEBALL DOUBLEHEADER WITH HARTFORD

West Hartford, Conn. – Dave West had three hits, including a double, and drove in two runs in the nightcap to lead UAlbany to a America East Conference doubleheader split with Hartford on Saturday afternoon at Campus Field. The Great Danes won the second game, 6-3, but dropped the opener, 3-2. The four-game series concludes on Sunday with a nine-inning game at 1:00 p.m.

UAlbany (20-22, AE 7-8) plated four runs in the second contest's third inning. West singled home Al Barbato, who led off the frame with a double into the right-field gap. Steve Wyland added a RBI single and Steve Sayre delivered a sacrifice fly to center field. The Great Danes pushed out to a 5-0 advantage in the fourth when West hammered a run-scoring double to left field.

Hartford (11-30, AE 7-11) picked up three runs in the fifth. Ryan Crowley had the key hit in the inning by plating a pair of runners with a single to right center. The Great Danes added an insurance run in the seventh when Sayre scored Steve Wyland, who had two hits, with a single. Jeff Kaier registered his second save of the season by throwing two strong innings of relief. He struck out four of the seven batters he faced.

The Hawks took a 3-0 lead all the way into the seventh inning of the first contest. First baseman Chris Hebert had a RBI single in the second to get his team on the board. Hartford added single runs in the third and fourth. Right fielder Erik Price scored Brady Stouffer with a sacrifice fly, before Matt O'Connell singled in the third run.

The Great Danes, who won Friday's opening game of the weekend set, mounted a rally in their last at-bat. Zac Halloran singled up the middle to chase Sayre across with the first run. Mike Konstanty then delivered a pinch-hit RBI double, but Halloran was thrown out at the plate by second baseman's Ben Sobocinski's relay throw to end the game.

Hartford starter Pete Moraski improved to 2-3 on the mound by scattering three hits over seven innings. The left-hander, who struck out three, pitched a perfect game into the fifth inning until he issued a two-out walk to Sayre. Casey Walsh was the tough-luck loser as he allowed seven hits and recorded five strikeouts.

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(Game 1)

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| Hartford | 011 | 100 | x | - | 3 | 7 | 1 |

Casey Walsh and Tom Hill.

Pete Moraski and Ryan Crowley.

(Game 2)

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| UAlbany (20-22, AE 7-8)   | 004 | 100 | 1 | - | 6 | 9  | 0 |
| Hartford (11-30, AE 7-10) | 000 | 030 | 0 | - | 3 | 11 | 1 |

Marco Rivera, Sean Gregory (5), Jeff Kaier (6) and Chris Wood.

Chris Greiner, Chris Browne (3), Adam Flaherty (4), Zach Stefka (7) and Ryan Crowley.

### UALBANY GOLF STANDS THIRD AFTER DAY ONE OF AMERICA EAST CHAMPIONSHIP

Apalachin, N.Y. -- Jessica Signorelli shot an 85 in the opening round of the America East Conference Women's Golf Championship, held at the Links at Hiawatha Landing on Saturday afternoon. UAlbany sits in third place with 380 strokes, 42 shots behind Boston University's leading score of 338.

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## UALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

Signorelli, a freshman who is tied for fourth halfway through the competition, led the Great Danes with her 12-over-par performance. Maggie Taylert fired a 95 to sit second on the team, while Sun Hwa Kim and Tracey Berns followed with a 100. Mary Jane Restey rounded out the UAlbany field with a score of 113.

Signorelli is only five strokes behind Boston University's Allison Hamilton, the first-day leader. The Great Danes conclude the competition at the championship on Sunday beginning at 8:00 a.m. -agate-

America East Conference Women's Golf Championship.

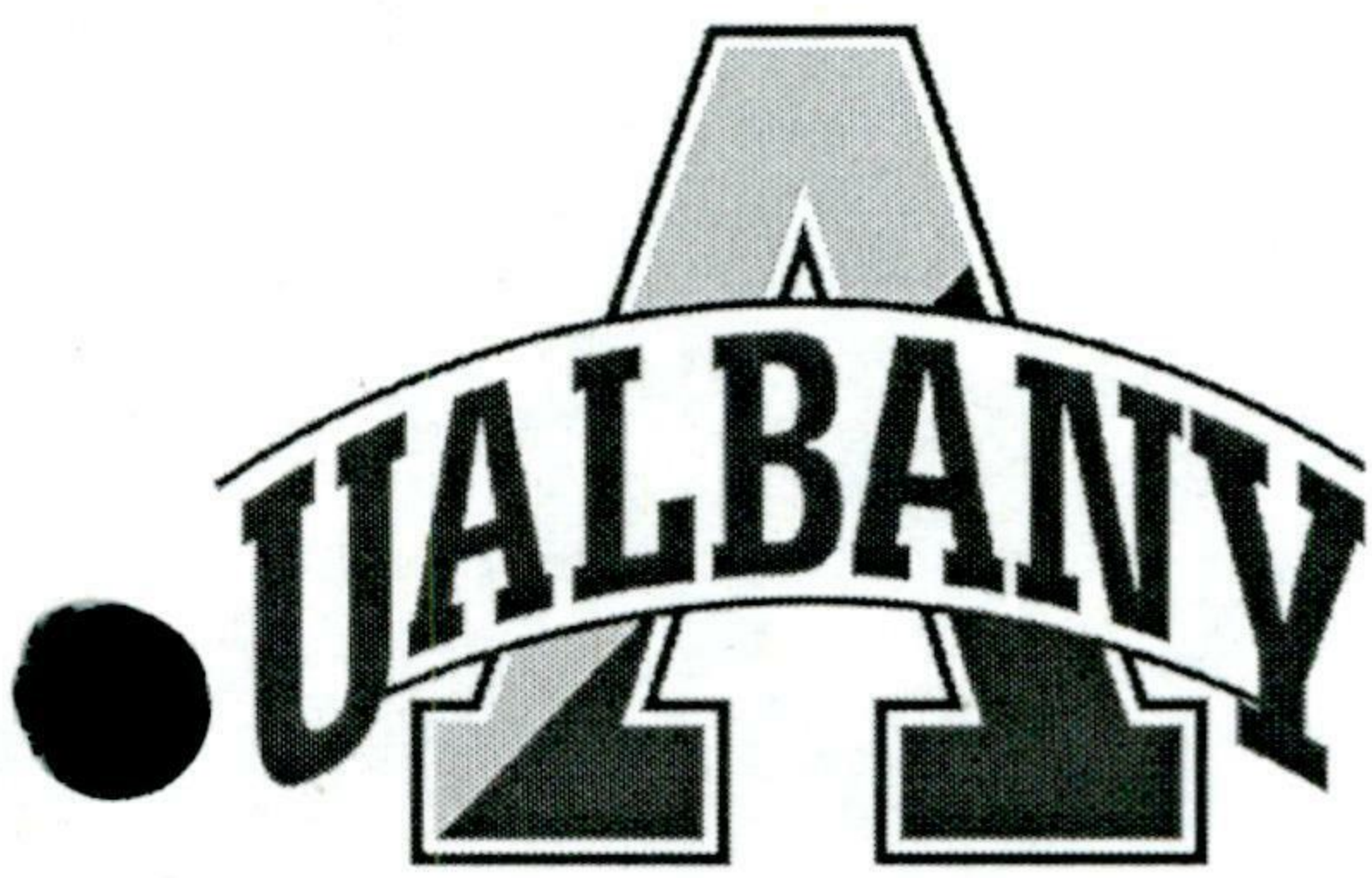
### TEAM

1. Boston University 338; 2. Hartford 344; 3. UAlbany 380.

### INDIVIDUAL

1. Allison Hamilton (BU) 80; t2. Juliana Carrillo (Hartford) 84, t2. Lauren Strong (BU) 84; t4. Jessica Signorelli (UA) 85; t4. Dierdre Hatfield (BU) 85; t6. Megan Claxton (Hartford) 86; t6. Sadie Heald (Hartford) 86; 8. Catherine Dillman (Hartford) 88; 9. Hannah Barry (BU) 89; t10. Kaitlyn Mardeusz (BU) 91; t10. Paige Gauthier (Hartford) 91; 12 Maggie Taylert (UA) 95; t13. Sun Hwa Kim (UA) 100; t13. Tracey Berns (UA) 100; 15. Mary Jane Restey (UA) 113.





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**UALBANY CLINCHES A-EAST TOURNAMENT SPOT WITH SWEEP OF STONY BROOK**

Albany, N.Y. – Casey Halloran (Columbia) and Leah McIntosh threw back-to-back one-hitters to lead UAlbany to an America East Conference doubleheader sweep of Stony Brook on Saturday afternoon. The Great Danes, who clinched a spot in the league tournament with the wins, were victorious in both games by scores of 3-0.

Halloran fanned 11 opposing batters in game one to lead UAlbany (30-14, AE 11-8). Senior third baseman Kelly Ogden finished 2-for-2 with two RBI, while junior left fielder Amber Maisonet went 2-for-4 with two runs scored. UAlbany scored its first run of the game in the first inning, as Maisonet led off with a single and followed with a stolen base. She later scored on a fielder's choice.

Maisonet recorded her second hit of the day in the second inning, and scored the second run of the game in the frame, as Ogden drew a bases-loaded walk. The Great Danes added an insurance run in the bottom of the fifth, as Michelle Connors led off with a double and was driven in by an Ogden base hit.

Stony Brook (27-20, AE 10-9) got its only hit of the day in the second, a single down the left field line by second baseman Molly Kestranek. Senior hurler Sarah Hoffman took the loss for the Seawolves, striking out three in a complete-game performance.

In the nightcap, the game remained scoreless until the bottom of the fifth, when Maisonet scored on an error by Seawolves catcher Marissa Fleury. The Great Danes added two more runs in the next inning, as Ogden led off with a double and advanced and scored on consecutive wild pitches. Catcher Kat Smith knocked an RBI single to right field to score Shane Pais, who pinch ran for Meagan Butsch.

McIntosh finished with 12 strikeouts and did not issue a walk in her complete-game performance. She allowed Stony Brook's only hit of the game, a double by shortstop Victoria Kavitsky, in the fourth.

The teams will complete the series on Sunday with a single game starting at 12 p.m. A win by UAlbany, coupled with a loss by Hartford, will assure the Great Danes the third seed in the conference tournament.

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(Game One)

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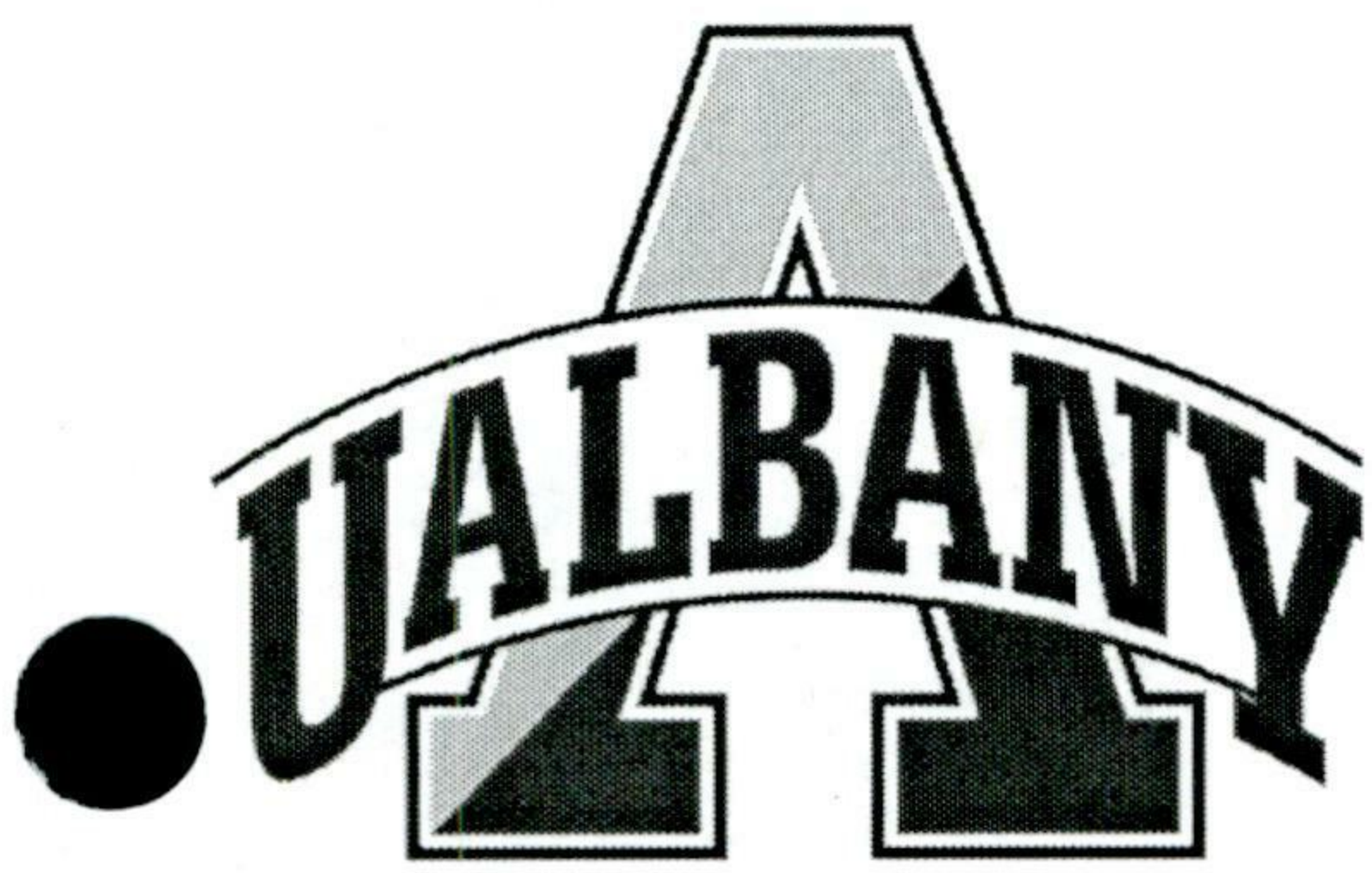
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| UAlbany (30-14, AE 11-8)     | 000 | 012 | x | - | 3 | 7 | 1 |

Leah McIntosh and Kat Smith.

Alyssa Struzenberg, Sarah Hoffman (6) and Marissa Fleury.





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**UALBANY WINS AMERICA EAST LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP IN 15-14 VICTORY OVER UMBC**

Albany, N.Y. – Frank Resetarits totaled six goals and two assists as UAlbany held off UMBC, 15-14, to capture the America East Conference men’s lacrosse championship before 1,293 fans on Saturday afternoon at John Fallon Field. The Great Danes, who earned an automatic NCAA Tournament berth, have won four of the last five conference tournament titles.

UAlbany (14-2) built a 13-8 lead by scoring three straight times in a one-minute-and-24-second-span late in the third quarter. Merrick Thomson, the championship’s most outstanding player, found the net off a rebound when UMBC goalkeeper Jeremy Blevins saved Corey Small’s initial attempt. Jordan Levine won the following face-off and found Frank Resetarits in the front of the goal 11 seconds later. Matthew Green tallied the second of his two goals when he drove from the left point and rifled a shot into the far top corner.

UMBC (10-5) rallied in the fourth quarter with five of the game’s next six goals. P.J. Kimener, who scored three times, drilled a bounce shot inside the right post to close the gap to 14-11 with 9:33 remaining. Freshman Cayle Ratcliffe then converted from the top of the crease off Drew Westervelt’s pass from behind. Alex Hopmann, who totaled three goals and one assist, cut the margin to one with 5:21 to play when he finished off a series of three shot attempts at the UAlbany cage.

The Great Danes, who dropped a 19-10 decision to UMBC in last year’s championship final, came back 13 seconds later. Levine, a junior midfielder who tied a career-high with 11 ground balls, won the subsequent face-off when he saved a rolling ball from going out of bounds. Chris Schongar, a sophomore long-stick midfielder, collected the ball in mid-air and connected on a bounce shot into the lower right corner for a 15-13 advantage.

The Retrievers, ranked No. 13 in both national polls, would slice the deficit in half one more time as Hopmann connected again from the right side off a pass from behind by midfielder Terry Kimener with 1:11 left. After UMBC picked up a slashing penalty, the Great Danes were poised to run out the clock. But a defensive double-team caused a turnover and the Retrievers’ Kelvin Moulden raced the length of the field into the offensive box. However, Moulden lost control of the ball and UAlbany midfielder Mike Ammann, who had a career-high five assists, picked up the ground ball to seal the outcome.

“I wanted to go to Merrick (Thomson),” Schongar explained. “But they pressed out on him and the defense parted like the Red Sea. At that point I decided to go for the goal with a low bounce shot. Dan Barnes did a great job on the face-offs. If you dominate the face-offs, you have a good chance to win. We didn’t dominate on the scoreboard, but we won the game.”

UAlbany reversed an early 2-1 deficit with five unanswered goals. Resetarits, who tied a career-high point total, ended that run with back-to-back goals. The Great Danes, who are No. 11 in the latest USILA rankings, led by four on two occasions in the second quarter before settling for an 8-5 halftime lead.

“I don’t think we let this one slip away,” said UMBC coach Don Zimmerman, whose team had its six-game winning streak halted. “They’re a great team. We didn’t play a great first half, but we came back in the fourth quarter.”

The Retrievers’ Andy Gallagher had two goals and one assist, while Kyle Wimer and Ratcliffe each scored twice. Goalkeeper Jeremy Blevins made 15 saves. UAlbany’s Brett Queener turned aside 12 shots, including Gallagher’s point-blank attempt with just over four minutes remaining.

“We have worked to get back to this point since last May”, said UAlbany coach Scott Marr, whose program has made three previous NCAA appearances. “We knew UMBC wouldn’t go away in that fourth quarter, but I didn’t think it would be that tough. I thought we concentrated on each possession the last five minutes. Brett (Queener) came up with a huge save (on Gallagher) and our team made the plays when they had to.”

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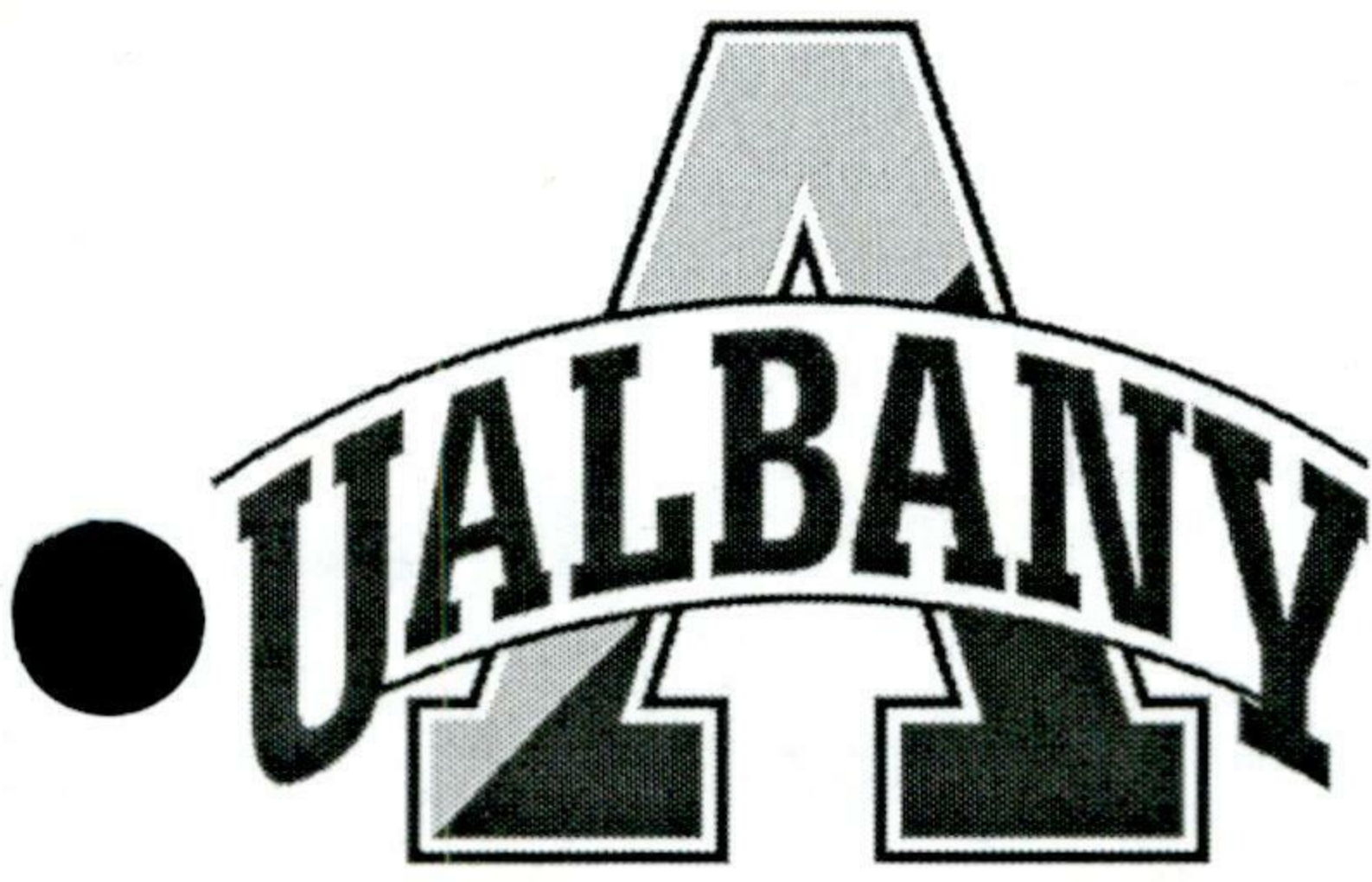
America East Conference Championship

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| UMBC (10-5)    | 2 | 3 | 3 | 6 | - | 14 |
| UAlbany (14-2) | 3 | 5 | 5 | 2 | - | 15 |

UMBC -- Scoring: Alex Hopmann 3-1, P.J. Kimener 3-0, Andy Gallagher 2-1, Cayle Ratcliffe 2-0, Kyle Wimer 2-0, Mike Burch 1-1, Matt Latham 1-0, Drew Westervelt 0-4, Terry Kimener 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Jeremy Blevins (60:00, 15 saves, 15 GA).

UAlbany – Scoring: Frank Resetarits 6-2, Merrick Thomson 3-0, Matthew Green 2-1, Corey Small 1-0, Chris Schongar 1-0, Steve Ammann 1-0, Eric Wolf 1-0, Mike Ammann 0-5, Jordan Levine 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Brett Queener (54:14, 12 saves, 14 GA), Dan McKeon (5:46, 1 saves, 0 GA).





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### UALBANY UPSETS TOP-SEED STONY BROOK IN AMERICA EAST SEMIFINAL ROUND

Stony Brook, N.Y. – Sarah Spillett scored four goals, including two in each half, as UAlbany rallied in the final period for a 10-7 upset victory over top-seed Stony Brook in the semifinal round of the America East Conference Tournament on Friday evening at LaValle Stadium. The Great Danes, who advance to the championship for the first time in the program’s history, will play for the title and an NCAA berth on Sunday at 1:00 p.m. Boston University upended New Hampshire, 16-4, in the other semifinal contest.

Stony Brook (13-4) led 6-4 midway through the second half. But the Great Danes, as the fourth seed, responded with three goals in a two-minute-and-two-second stretch to go in front. Spillett, a senior who tied a career-high goal total, ignited that run when she converted a free-position attempt from the right side. Freshman Christine Grueniger, who had three goals, then found the net in transition after Kate Fontana scooped up a turnover in the Seawolves’ midfield and started the break. Kayla Best (Guilderland) gave her team a 7-6 lead fifteen seconds later when she sent a right-handed shot to the left of goalkeeper Jen Sandtorv.

UAlbany (8-8) would score three more times over the next eight minutes. Best, a freshman midfielder, changed direction and place a low shot into the cage. Rory Redmond connected when she finished off Jane Bush’s feed while cutting to the top of crease. Spillett pushed the margin to 10-6 with 5:38 remaining when she drilled a sidearm shot in a free-position situation. Goalkeeper Jen Daly, who made nine saves, was also instrumental during this decisive three-goal stretch, as she twice stopped free-position attempts by SBU’s Kimberly Quartier and Leggio.

“We were too emotional and got frustrated at one point in the second half,” said UAlbany coach Lindsey Hart, whose team suffered a 17-13 setback on this same field during the regular season on April 21. “(Sarah) Spillett and (Jen) Daly came up huge. They have been here for four years and they believed they could do this. We slowed their fastbreak and made some big stops defensively.”

The Great Danes, who had lost their previous three America East postseason games and did not make the field one year ago, leaped to a 3-0 lead in the opening eight minutes as Grueniger scored a pair of goals. The Seawolves, who had won 10 of their last 12 contests to earn a share of the conference’s regular-season title, regrouped with five unanswered. Leggio, the America East player of the year, netted two of her three goals in that outburst.

“We went to the goal and played with confidence,” explained Spillett, a first-team all-conference attacker. “When we beat UMBC last week to get into the tournament, we started to see the results of everything that we had worked hard for. The seniors realized that there was no more perfect time to come together.”

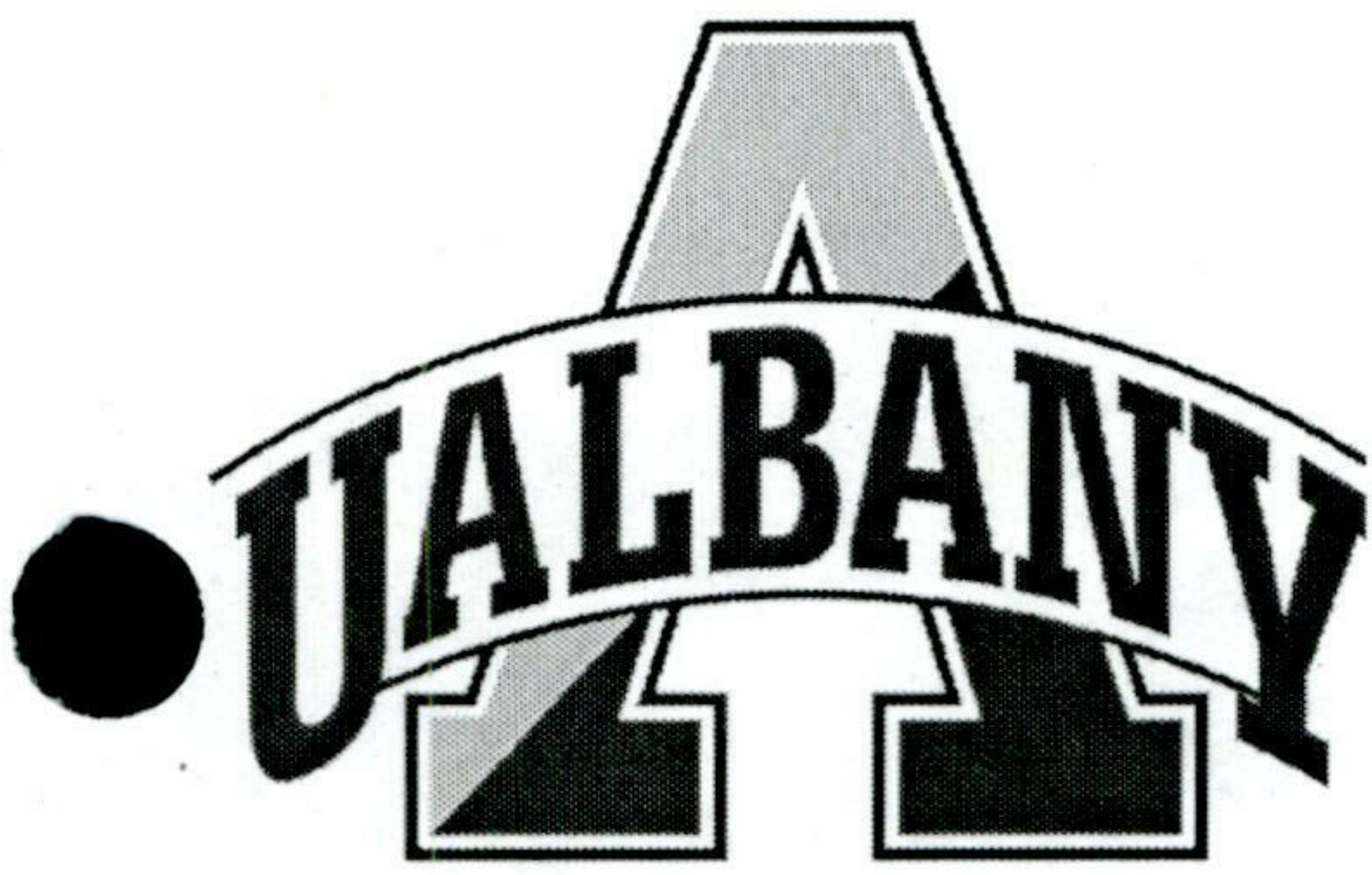
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| UAlbany (8-8)      | 4 | 6 | - | 10 |
| Stony Brook (13-4) | 5 | 2 | - | 7  |

UAlbany – Scoring: Sarah Spillett 4-0, Christine Grueniger 3-0, Kayla Best 2-0, Rory Redmond 1-0, Brittany Scott 0-1, Jane Bush 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Jen Daly (60:00, 9 saves, 7 GA).

Stony Brook – Scoring: Kaitlin Leggio 3-0, Emily Jaissle 2-0, Amy Taylor 1-0, Katie Savino 1-0, Carlee Buck 0-4; Goalkeeper(s): Jen Sandtorv (60:00, 8 saves, 10 GA).





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### UALBANY RALLIES IN NINTH INNING FOR 7-3 AMERICA EAST VICTORY OVER HARTFORD

West Hartford, Conn. – Steve Wyland lined a two-run double to drive in the go-ahead runs in the ninth inning in leading UAlbany to a 7-3 come-from-behind victory over Hartford in America East Conference play on Friday afternoon at Campus Field. The four-game weekend series continues on Saturday with a 12 noon doubleheader.

UAlbany (19-21, AE 6-7) reversed a 2-1 deficit with a six-run uprising in the ninth. Leo Corvino (Columbia) started the two-out rally with a run-scoring single that tied the contest. Wyland, a senior third baseman, then plated two runners with a double down the left-field line off reliever Ben Sobocinski for a 4-2 lead. Steve Sayre (Columbia) added a two-run single to center field, before catcher Chris Wood scored another run with a bases-loaded walk.

The Great Danes, who have won five of their last seven outings, took a 1-0 lead in the first inning. Center fielder Dave West, who went 3-for-5 with two runs scored, led off with a single and later came across when Sayre walked with the bases full for his third RBI of the day. Hartford (10-29, AE 6-10) went ahead in the eighth. Shortstop Brady Stouffer was hit by a pitch and Greg Cinelli doubled. Sobocinski chased both runners home with a triple into the right-field gap.

UAlbany starter John Naples (Catholic Central) went 7.1 innings on the mound. He struck out six and walked none in the no-decision effort. Reliever Alexander Beaulieu picked up the win, while Sean Gregory retired both Hartford batters he faced to earn his second save of the season. Sayre, a first baseman, and designated hitter Tom Hill each collected two hits. Kyle Perry had a pair of doubles for the Hawks, who have dropped six of their last seven.

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John Naples, Alexander Beaulieu (8), Sean Gregory (9) and Chris Wood.

Weston Szymanski, Ben Sobocinski (9), Marc Toomey (9) and Ryan Crowley.





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**UALBANY ADVANCES TO AMERICA EAST LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP WITH 17-5 VICTORY**

Albany, N.Y. – Merrick Thomson scored a season-high seven goals, including five in the first half, to lead UAlbany to a 17-5 victory over Stony Brook in the semifinal round of the America East Conference Tournament on Thursday evening before 1,288 fans at John Fallon Field. The Great Danes advanced to the Saturday's championship. UMBC defeated Binghamton, 11-7, in the other semifinal contest.

UAlbany (13-2) used a run of nine unanswered goals to erase an early 1-0 deficit. The Great Danes scored five times in a five-minute-and-40-second span of the first quarter to go ahead. Frank Resetarits buried a shot from the right side before Thomson connected with the man-advantage. Corey Small, who totaled three goals and two assists, found the net off a rebound when SBU goalkeeper Brendan Callahan stopped Thomson from point-blank range. Thomson completed that outburst when he netted Derek Dale's crossing pass.

The Great Danes, who will play in their sixth consecutive America East championship final, would push their margin to 9-1 midway through the second period. Small, a sophomore attacker, scored twice in that stretch, including a drive from the right side that he finished off with his left hand by placing a shot inside the left post. Dale ended that decisive run by hitting a bounce shot after Thomson came up a ground ball to keep the play alive.

Thomson, who posted the second-highest point total of his career, added an extra-man goal in the third period. He gave his team a 14-5 lead with 9:11 left when he scored from the top of the crease off Small's feed from the right.

"We were ready to play," said Thomson, who last scored seven goals against Binghamton on April 9, 2005. "We wanted to put the two losses we had in the last part of the season behind us. The conference tournament is a new season and the seniors do not want to go out without a championship."

Owen Adams, a junior midfielder, finished with three goals for Stony Brook (8-5), the tournament's fourth seed. Larry Cerasi and Ryan Hughes added the other goals, while Callahan had 11 of his 15 saves in the opening half.

"UAlbany is bigger, faster, and stronger (than us) right now," explained Seawolves coach Rick Sowell, whose team suffered a 14-5 setback to the Great Danes during the regular season. "They're pretty darn good – good seniors, good coaching. I give UAlbany all the praise, they played well very tonight."

UAlbany's Resetarits finished with a pair of goals to extend his consecutive game scoring streak to 46 straight. Dale added one goal and two assists as 11 Great Danes reached the scoring column. Brett Queener, who made his first start in goal since April 20 after injuring his ankle, made eight saves and had two assists as an attacker on the extra-man unit.

"This has been a tough week," said UAlbany coach Scott Marr, whose team tied the conference tournament record for victory margin set by Delaware in 2000. "We had to get back to business, refocus, and stoke that fire. Merrick (Thomson) and Frank (Resetarits) have been there for us for four years. The championship game should be entertaining. Both teams feel they have been the best two in the conference throughout the year."

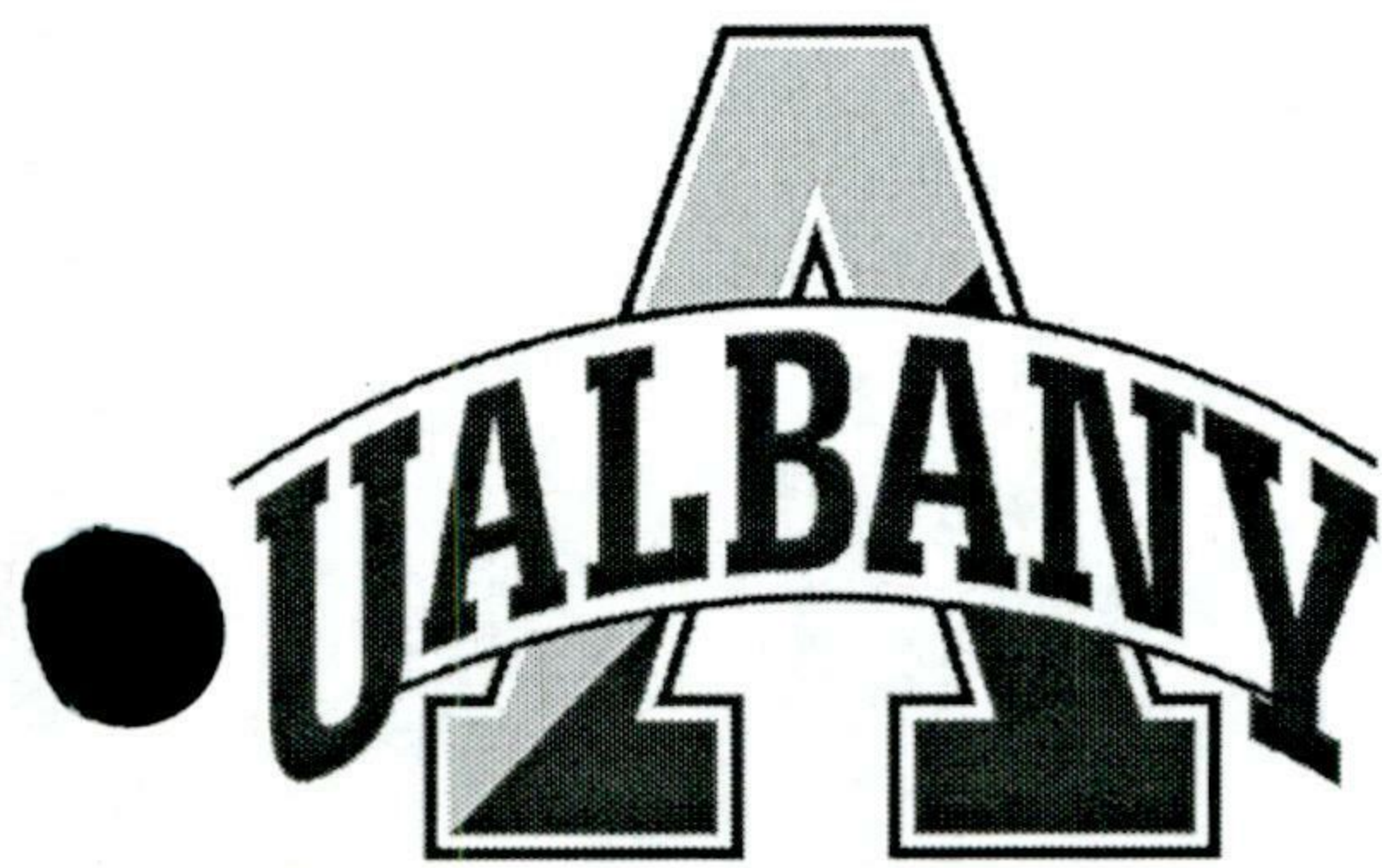
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| Stony Brook (8-5) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | - | 5  |
| UAlbany (13-2)    | 6 | 5 | 2 | 4 | - | 17 |

Stony Brook – Scoring: Owen Adams 3-0, Larry Cerasi 1-0, Ryan Hughes 1-0, Sean Chamberlain 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Brendan Callahan (48:27, 15 saves, 13 GA), Rob Camposa (7:55, 1 saves, 3 GA), Alex Kajencki (2:17, 0 saves, 1 GA).

UAlbany – Scoring: Merrick Thomson 7-2, Corey Small 3-2, Frank Resetarits, Derek Dale 1-2, Jordan Levine 1-0, Andrew Maini 1-0, Brian Grodotzke 1-0, Kyle Brunk 1-0, Brett Queener 0-2, Steve Ammann 0-1, Mike Ammann 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Brett Queener (43:31, 8 saves, 3 GA), Dan McKeon (15:08, 2 saves, 2 GA), A.J. Babnik (1:21, 0 saves, 0 GA).





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## UALBANY HAS FIVE ON AMERICA EAST ALL-CONFERENCE WOMEN'S LACROSSE TEAM

Stony Brook, N.Y. – University at Albany's Kate Fontana leads a group of five players who have been selected to the 2007 America East All-Conference Women's Lacrosse Team, as announced this evening at the championship tournament banquet. Katelyn Primomo (Bethlehem Central) and Sarah Spillett joined Fontana on the all-conference first team.

Fontana, a senior midfielder, becomes the first UAlbany player to be voted to the all-conference squad for the fourth consecutive season. She is making her third straight appearance on the first team after leading the Great Danes in scoring with 35 goals and eight assists. Fontana, who netted three or more goals against eight opponents this season, ranks fifth among the NCAA Division I leaders in caused turnovers (2.6 pg) and averages 2.67 ground balls per game. She became the school's all-time scoring leader on April 28, and ranks 15th in goals (153) and 20th in points (189) among active NCAA career scorers.

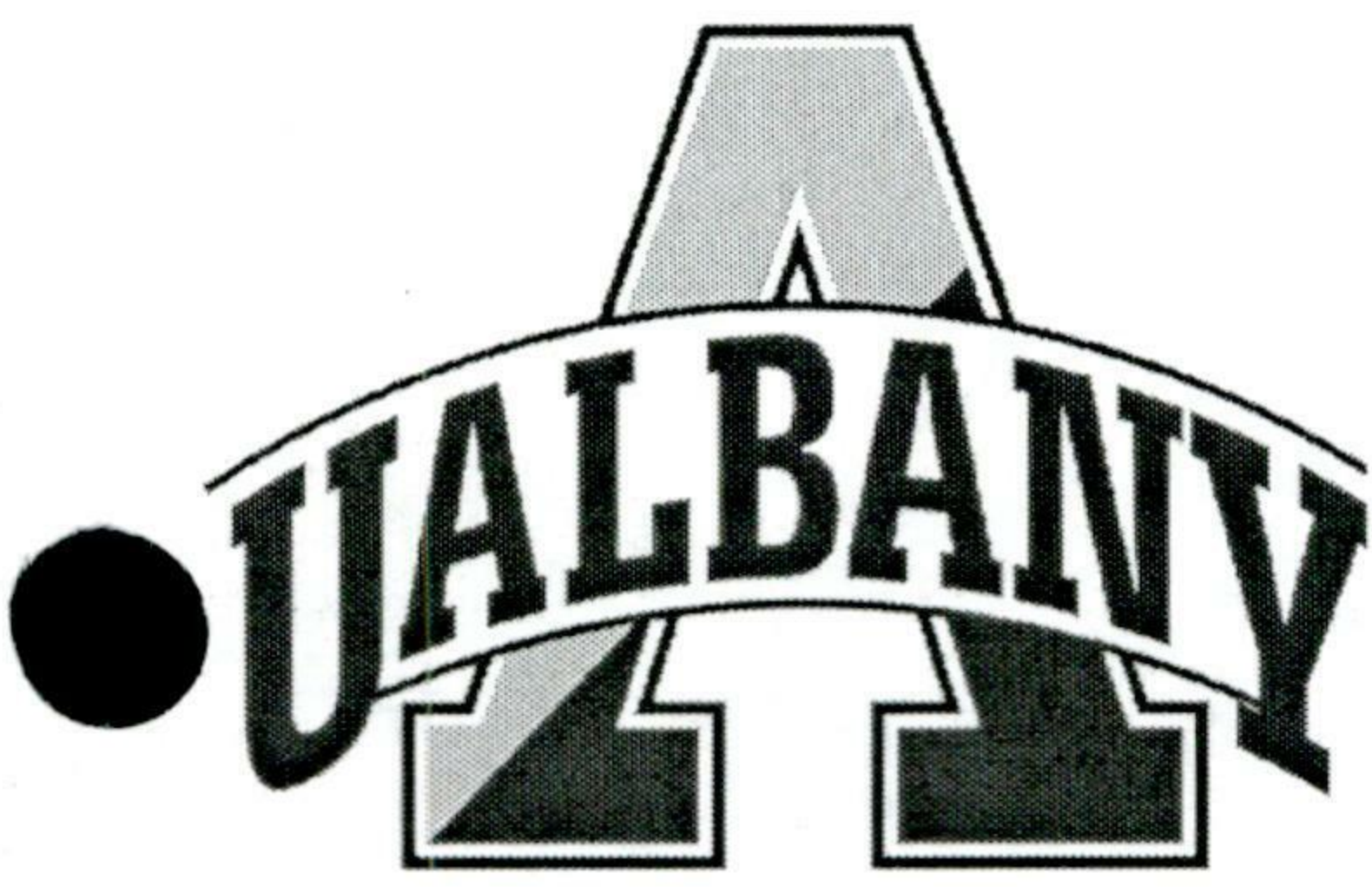
Spillett is a member of this year's America East first team after earning a spot on the second-team unit the previous two seasons. The senior attacker totaled 20 goals and six assists. Spillett is sixth among the program's all-time scorers with 137 points (85 goals, 62 assists). Primomo, a senior defender, was chosen to the first team for the second straight year. She totaled five goals, two assists, eight caused turnovers and 25 ground balls as a 15-game starter.

Kayla Best (Guilderland) and goalkeeper Jen Daly were selected to the All-America East second team. Best, who was also picked to the all-rookie squad as one of the league's top freshmen, was second on the UAlbany team in scoring with 27 goals and nine assists. She enters the postseason with an 11-game scoring streak, including four points in the regular-season finale against UMBC. Daly, a senior who is the school's all-time saves leader with 652, posted a 10.89 goals against average and a .447 save percentage. She has made 66 consecutive starts in the cage.

Freshman Christine Grueniger, along with Best, is on the conference's all-rookie team. Grueniger accounted for 24 goals and three assists and produced seven multi-point games this season. In addition, Daly, Fontana, Primomo and Spillett were named to the America East women's lacrosse all-academic team. Each student-athlete has a 3.4 cumulative grade point average or better.

UAlbany begins America East postseason play on Friday, May 4. The Great Danes meet Stony Brook in the semifinal round at 7:00 p.m. The winner advances to the championship on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.





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## **UALBANY PLACES TEN PLAYERS ON ALL-AMERICA EAST MEN'S LACROSSE TEAM Frank Resetarits and Scott Marr Voted Major Awards by League's Coaches**

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany's Frank Resetarits leads a group of 10 players who were voted to the 2007 America East All-Conference Men's Lacrosse Team, as announced this evening by the conference office at the tournament championship banquet. Resetarits was chosen the America East Player of the Year, while Scott Marr was named Coach of the Year.

Resetarits, a senior attacker, leads the nation in goals and scoring with 65 points on 46 goals and 19 assists. He becomes the first Great Dane since Luke Daquino in 2003 to be picked as the conference's top player. A native of Hamburg, N.Y., he has netted four or more goals against seven opponents this season. Resetarits, who makes his third consecutive appearance on the all-league first team, leads all NCAA Division I scorers with 227 career points (148 goals, 79 assists). His 45-game scoring streak is the second-longest nationally.

Merrick Thomson (Albany Academy) is a member of the all-conference squad for the fourth consecutive year. Thomson, a senior attacker from Stoney Creek, Ontario, has 39 goals and 10 assists entering postseason play. He scored five goals on three occasions this season. Thomson is third on the school's all-time scoring list with 224 points (171 goals, 53 assists).

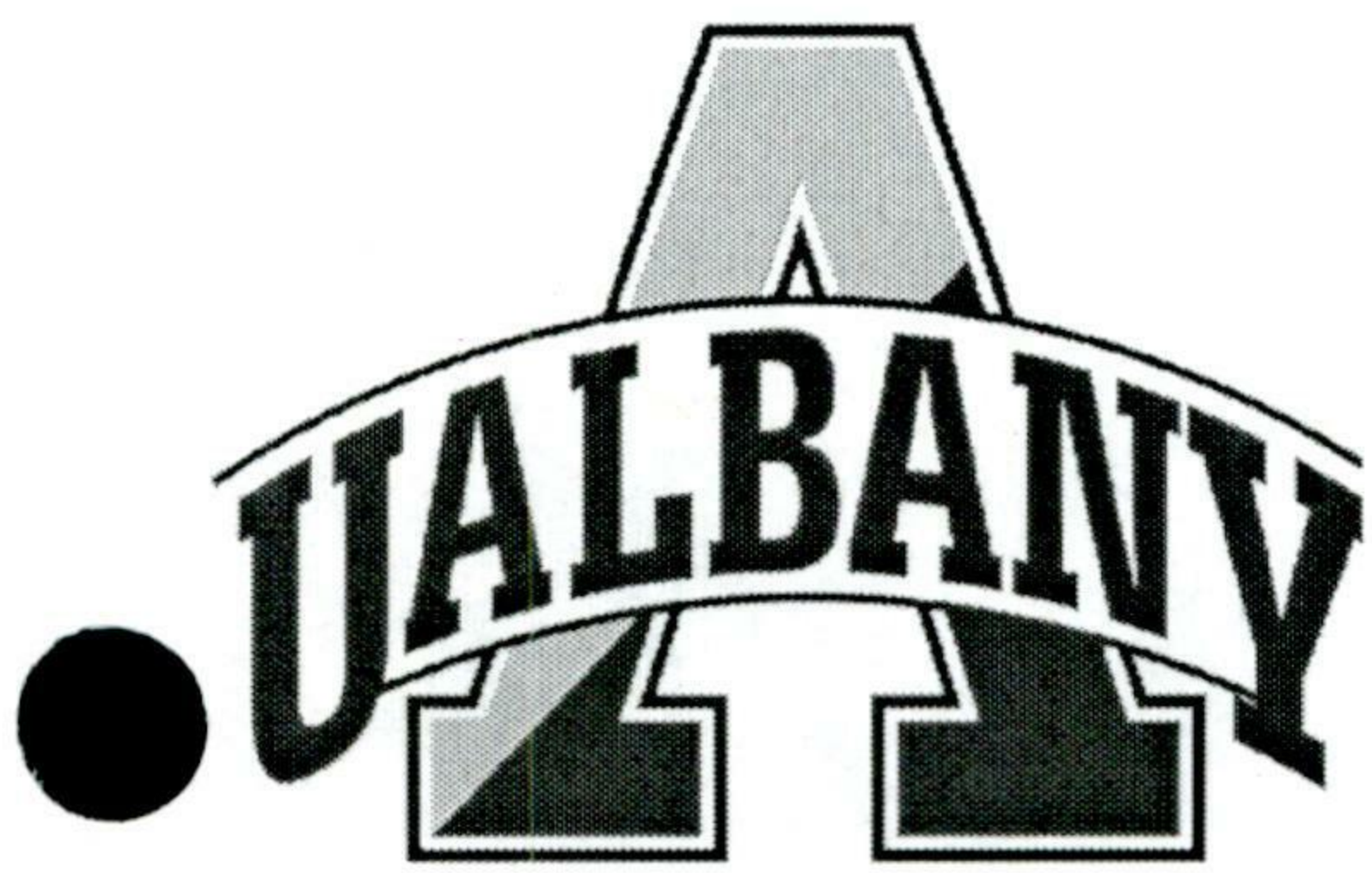
Jordan Levine, Brett Queener and Craig McDonald joined Resetarits and Thomson on the all-conference first team. Levine and Queener are on the first unit for the second straight year. Levine, a junior midfielder, has accounted for 18 goals, 12 assists and a team-leading 59 ground balls. Queener, who is in his second season as the program's starting goalkeeper, has a 9.34 goals against average and a .514 save percentage. He also plays on the extra-man grouping as an attacker. McDonald, a junior defenseman who was a second-team selection in 2006, has 41 ground balls with a pair of goals.

Steve Ammann, Mike Ammann, Derek Dale, Garrett Pedley and Tom Trapani were each named to the All-America East second team. Dale, a junior attacker, is third on the team in scoring with 17 goals and 16 assists. Mike Ammann (9 goals, 14 assists) and Steve Ammann (11 goals, 7 assists) have been productive as junior midfielders. Trapani, a senior, and Pedley, a sophomore, are starters on defense that is allowing 9.21 goals per game.

In addition, Thomson, Pedley and the Ammann brothers earned a spot on the America East men's lacrosse all-academic team. Freshman Kyle Brunk was selected to the all-rookie squad.

UAlbany's Marr receives the conference's top coaching award for the second time. Marr, who also was tabbed in 2002, led the Great Danes to a share of the America East regular-season crown. UAlbany established school records for most wins in a season (12) and the program's all-time mark for consecutive victories (11), breaking a standard that had stood since 1972. The Great Danes have won 10 or more games in four of the last five seasons and made three NCAA appearances.





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### **GREENE, MCCADNEY, AND GARRANT EARN TRACK & FIELD WEEKLY AWARDS**

Centerville, Mass. -- University at Albany's Joe Greene has been chosen the ECAC Track Athlete of the Week, while Mike McCadney earned the same award for field events. Jenn Garrant was named the conference's women's field performer of the week. Greene and Garrant also received America East Conference weekly awards.

Greene posted a season-best time of 51.27 seconds to finish second in the men's championship 400-meter hurdles at the Penn Relays. He lowered his NCAA-qualifying time with the effort, and was just behind South Carolina's Jussi Heikkila (51.06). A day later, Greene anchored the sprint medley relay that set a school record and placed second. The relay finished right behind champion Florida State with a time of 3:17.09, more than four seconds better than the previous UAlbany standard. Greene ran sub-47 seconds on the 400m leg in leading the team to the fastest finish by an IC4A squad.

McCadney finished second in the men's college triple jump with a wind-aided distance of 50-feet, 9.25-inches at the Penn Relays. He lowered his NCAA-qualifying mark with the performance. St. Augustine's Andre Tillman won the event with a leap of 51-3.75.

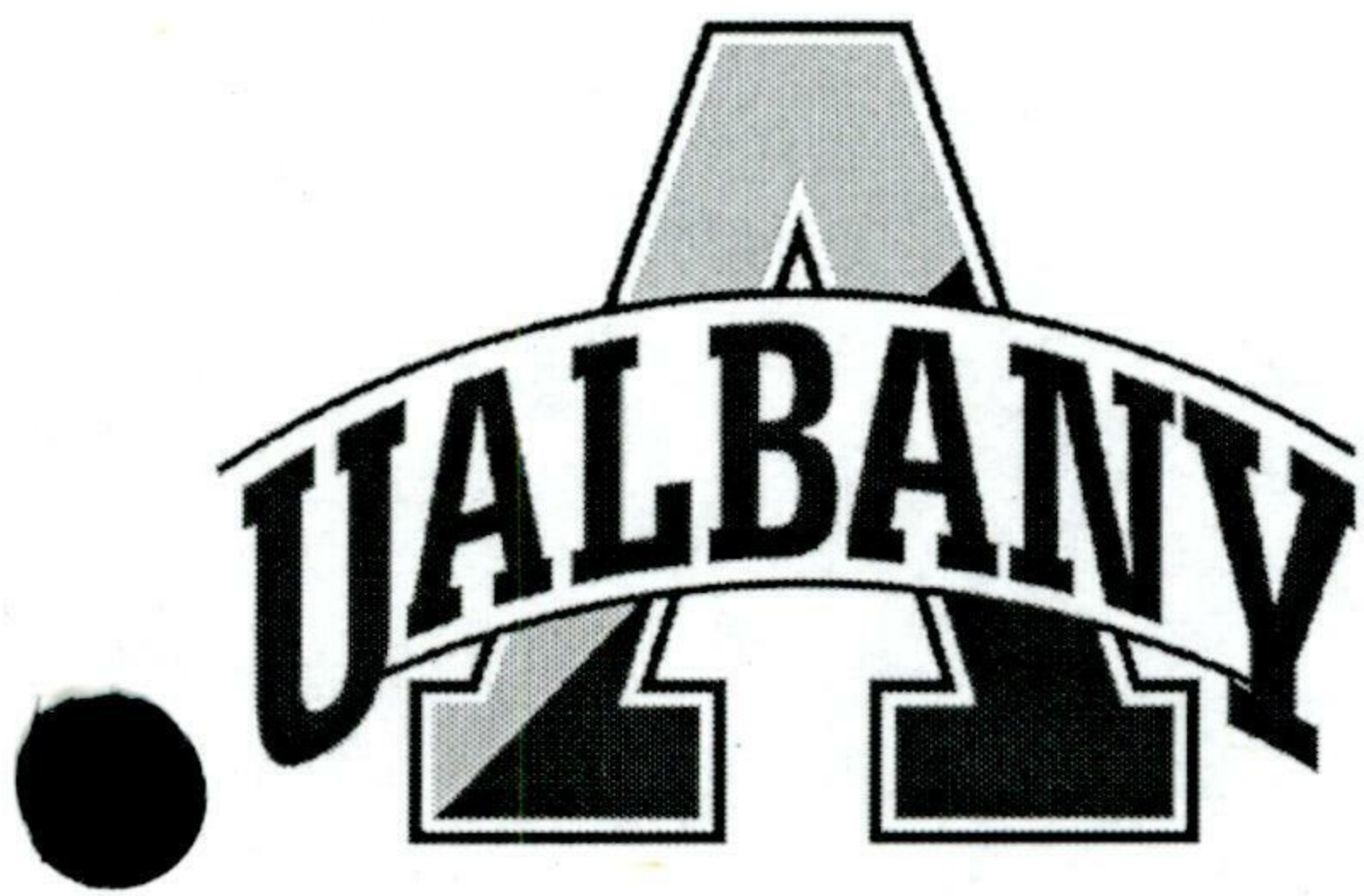
Garrant posted a personal-best mark of 19-feet and 0.25-inches to finish seventh in the women's eastern long jump at Penn Relays. Garrant's leap placed her in the ECAC championship field. She also represented the Great Danes in the triple jump, placing 15th with a leap of 36-feet and 5.5-inches.

### **UALBANY'S STEVE SAYRE NAMED ECAC BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Centerville, Mass. – UAlbany first baseman Steve Sayre (Columbia) has been selected as ECAC Player of the Week in baseball. He was tabbed as the America East Conference player of the week on Monday.

Sayre hit .571 in last weekend's four-game conference series with Maine. The senior recorded eight hits, including three home runs, scored six runs and drove in another six to lead the Great Danes to three wins against the Black Bears. He drew one walk and did not strike out in 14 at bats, while posting a 1.286 slugging percentage with a .600 on-base percentage. Sayre had his best performance of the weekend in the series finale on Sunday, a 15-5 UAlbany victory, when he went 4-for-4 with two homers, three runs scored and three RBI. He homered in game one of Saturday's doubleheader, going 1-for-3 with two RBI. In the series opener, Sayre went 2-for-4 with a double, along with two runs scored and one RBI. He became the second Great Dane in as many weeks to earn player of the week recognition.





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**GREAT DANES FALL TO MARIST IN NON-CONFERENCE BASEBALL ACTION**

Albany, N.Y. – Designated hitter Justin Lepore went 3-for-4 with a home run and five RBI to lead Marist to a 17-8 win over UAlbany in non-conference baseball action on Tuesday afternoon at Varsity Field. The two teams combined for 30 hits.

Marist (12-26) put the game away with a six-run seventh inning which started with back-to-back hits by infielder Kenny Anderson and Ryan Gauck. Lepore doubled down the right field line in the inning to drive in two runs and scored on an RBI double by Pat Feeney.

Marist scored runs in each of the first four innings, including a solo shot by senior Travis Musolf to start the game. The Red Foxes scored three runs in the second and added two in both the third and the fourth to hold an 8-3 lead.

Sophomore shortstop Sean Donovan drove solo homer over the right field fence in the bottom of the fifth and also drove an RBI double through the left side during a three-run seventh for the Great Danes. Donovan finished 2-for-3 with two runs scored and four RBI.

Third baseman Steve Wyland went 4-for-5 with two runs scored for UAlbany (18-21), while catcher Tom Hill had two doubles and drove in three runs. Junior right-hander Rob Glowacki picked up the win for Marist while starter Marco Rivera took the loss.

UAlbany will return to America East Conference play with a four-game series at Hartford, starting on Friday at 3 p.m.

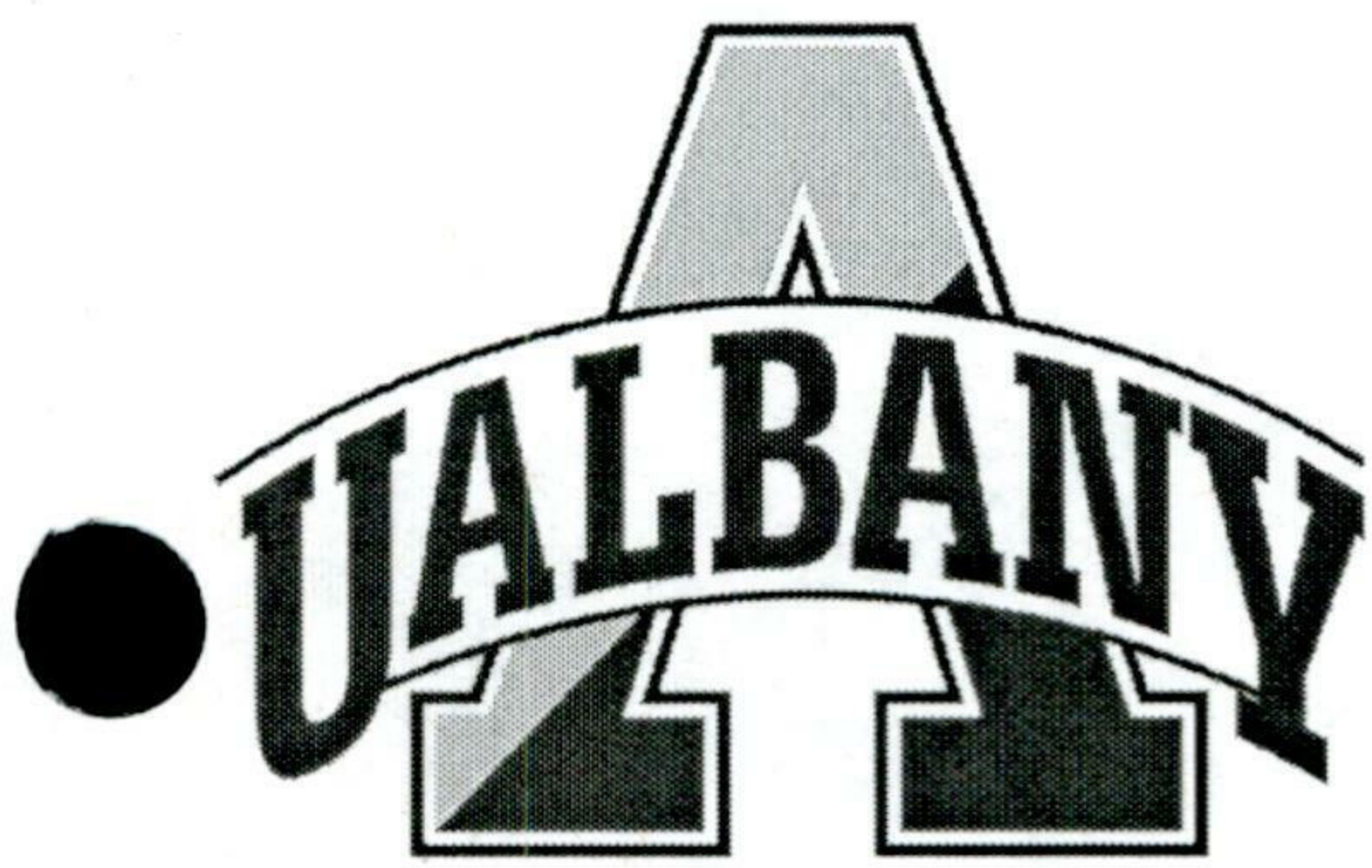
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Peter Barone, Rob Glowacki (2), Mike Puckli (6), Sandy Sussman (8) and Keith Glasser.

Marco Rivera, Josh Willimott (3), Sean Gregory (5), Matthew Herrick (6), Chris Ott (7), Hans Zlomek (7), Jeff Kaier (8), Alexander Beaulieu (9) and Tom Hill, Sean Doyle.





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## UALBANY SEEDED FOURTH FOR AMERICA EAST WOMEN'S LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany has earned the fourth seed for this week's America East Conference Women's Lacrosse Championship. The Great Danes made the tournament field with a 16-7 victory over UMBC in the regular-season finale. The championship will be held at Stony Brook's LaValle Stadium. The America East champion receives an automatic berth in the NCAA field.

UAlbany (7-8, AE 3-3) tangles with No. 1 seed Stony Brook (13-3, AE 5-1) in the semifinal round on Friday, May 4 at 7:00 p.m. The two teams met on April 21 during the regular schedule, as the Seawolves rallied for a 17-13 victory in the final six minutes.

Boston University (11-5, AE 5-1) shared the regular-season title with Stony Brook to earn the No. 2 seed. The Terriers, who are defending both their 2005 and 2006 conference titles, and currently are tied for 20th nationally in the Inside Lacrosse poll, square off with third-seed New Hampshire (7-9, AE 4-2) in the first semifinal at 4:00 p.m. on Friday. The championship is scheduled for Sunday, May 6 at 1:00 p.m.

UAlbany returns to America East postseason play after missing last year's tournament. Kate Fontana, the program's all-time scorer, is the team's top scorer with 35 goals and eight assists, plus ranks fifth among the nation's leaders in caused turnovers (2.6 pg). Kayla Best (Guilderland H.S.) is one of the top freshmen in the conference with 27 goals and nine assists. Christine Grueniger (24G, 3A) and Sarah Spillett (20G, 6A) each have 25-plus points. Goalkeeper Jen Daly has made 66 consecutive starts in the cage.

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(played at Stony Brook's LaValle Stadium)

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Semifinal Round

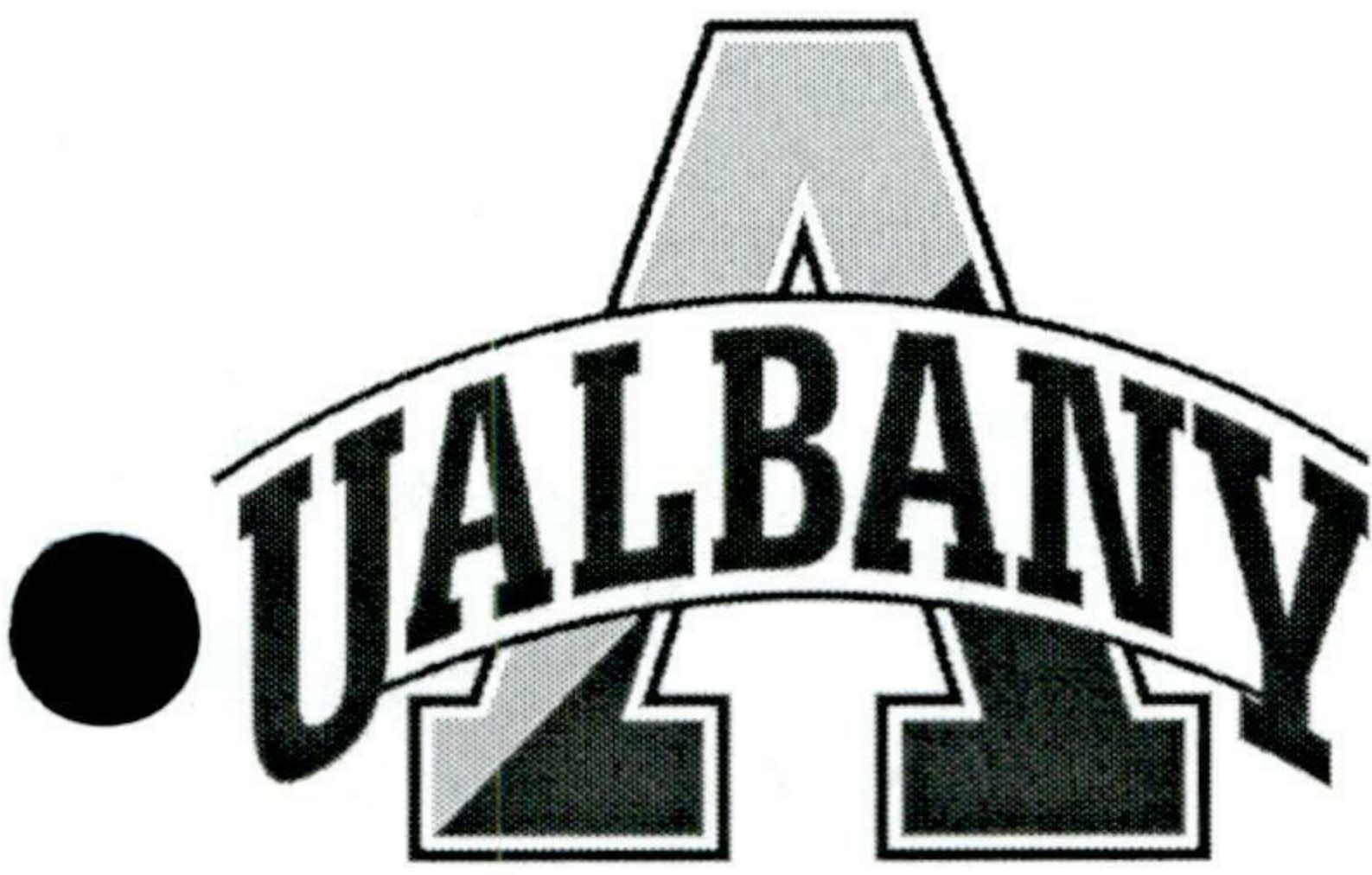
No. 2 Boston University (11-5, AE 5-1) vs. No. 3 New Hampshire (7-9, AE 4-2), 4:00 p.m.

No. 1 Stony Brook (13-3, AE 5-1) vs. No. 4 UAlbany (7-8, AE 3-3), 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 6

Championship, 1:00 p.m.





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### UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY SIGNS NINE FRESHMEN FOR CLASS OF 2011

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany head field hockey coach Phil Sykes announced today the signing of nine student-athletes that will comprise the class of 2011. Seven members of the incoming class hail from the state of Pennsylvania, while the remaining two come from Australia and New Zealand.

Forwards Chelsea Neff and Alysia Hough both join the UAlbany squad from Lehighon High School in Lehighon, Pa. Neff was a three-year varsity letterwinner at Lehighon, where her team won four consecutive conference titles and two district crowns. She was an All-Mountain Valley Conference honorable mention as well as an all-state honorable mention for the Indians. Neff, who also played soccer during her high school career, was a Majestyx Field Hockey Club member. Hough was a four-year varsity starter and senior captain. She was a two-time second-team Mountain Valley Conference all-star and was named to the All-MVC first team as a senior. Hough was also named to the all-state second team and was an all-area honorable mention. Hough, who also played with the Mystic Hockey Club, was a four-year letterwinner in basketball and won three soccer varsity awards.

Ashlyn Bach comes to UAlbany from Southern Lehigh High School in Coopersburg, Pa. A four-year varsity starter at midfield, Bach was a two-time team MVP, two-time All-Colonial League first-team honoree and two-time all-state first-team member. She helped lead the Spartans to two Colonial League championships during her four-year career, while totaling 37 goals and 27 assists. Bach was also a member of the X-Caliber Field Hockey Club and participated in the National Indoor Tournament, the Keystone State Games and the National Field Hockey Festival.

A three-year starter at midfield for Central Bucks South High School, Joanna Irey hails from Jamison, Pa. Irey was a Suburban One third-team all-league honoree and a member of a Titan squad that reached the district playoffs for the first time in school history in 2004 and advanced to the second round in 2006. She was Bach's teammate on the X-Caliber Field Hockey Club and a two-time participant at the National Outdoor Festival.

Goalkeeper Christine Hoffman joins the Great Danes from Brandywine Heights High School in Mertztown, Pa. Hoffman was named second-team all-state as a senior, as well as earning All-Berks County honors as a team captain. During her four-year career with the Bullets, Hoffman played in 81 games and made 322 saves with 41 shutouts and an .840 save percentage. Hoffman, who also played softball at Brandywine Heights, was a member of the High Styx Field Hockey Club for four years and earned a gold medal at the USFHA Field Hockey Festival in 2006. She was also a member of the Futures Program for three years, earning a gold medal at both the National Futures Tournament and Keystone State Indoor Games in 2004. Hoffman, who is a member of the National Honor Society, has one older sister who is a goalkeeper for the Alvernia College field hockey team.

Carrie Brown was a four-year varsity letterwinner at Twin Valley High School in Elverson, Pa. Brown was a midfielder for the Raiders, leading her squad to the divisional championship in 2003 and the district championship in 2003 and 2006. A senior captain, Brown was an all-division honoree in her final season. A member of the X-Caliber Field Hockey Club, she was a gold medal winner at the National Hockey Festival in 2006 and participated in three Keystone State Games.

A native of Orefield, Pa., Sarah Deane was a three-year starting midfielder for Parkland High School. A senior captain, Deane was named to the 2006 all-state squad and was a member of the All-Lehigh Valley Interscholastic Athletic Conference first team. She was also an All-Lehigh County Division first-team midfielder, and led the Trojans to four consecutive District XI playoff appearances. A member of the X-Caliber Field Hockey Club, she participated in the National Outdoor and Indoor Field Hockey Festivals in 2005 and 2006. Deane, a National Honor Society student, was also named to the all-state academic team as a senior.

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Suzy Clephane of Remura, Auckland, New Zealand, is among a pair of international players joining the UAlbany squad in 2007. Clephane brings several years of experience, having played club field hockey for 10 years. She was a member of the Federation Cup winner in the National School Tournament in 2003 and 2006 and has played for the Provincial Auckland team for several years. As an exchange student in the fall of 2006, she was also a member of the Bethlehem High School team in Delmar, N.Y.

A native of Canterbury, Victoria, Australia, defender Sam Daly is currently in her third year as a member of the State League One women's team, which competes at the highest level of competition in Victoria. She has represented Victoria in the national championships in both indoor and outdoor field hockey since she was 12, and was named captain and earned a Victorian Sports Award by the government in 2000. Daly was a member of the Under-18 Victorian team that finished as runners-up in the national championship in 2005 and competed on the Under-21 state team that participated in the 2006 national championships.

"We are very pleased with our incoming class," Sykes said. "We searched far and wide for a very specific type of athlete. Our incoming class will add a great deal of hockey sense to our team. There are some very good athletes who are technically sound with their fundamentals. We are looking to go to a whole new level this coming season and our incoming freshmen will add a lot of depth to an already experienced team."

The Great Danes won a share of the America East Conference regular season championship last season with a record of 12-7 overall and 4-1 in league play.