Annual Award Winners Announced At Senior Athlete Banquet

The Pace University Athletics Department announced its annual award winners at the 54th Annual Student-Athlete Awards Banquet on April 30. Junior Brian Holshek (Newburgh, NY), a defensive back on the football team, was named the evening’s top honoree, taking home the Darrell Halloran Memorial Letterwinner of the Year Award. Holshek was an All-American at defense and return specialist, All-Conference at both positions, and an ECAC All-Star. He also equaled his own school record with a 100-yard INT return for a touchdown.

Angela Locsin (San Martin, CA), a softball standout, was named the Female Athlete of the Year. She led the Northeast-10 in Home Runs, threw her second career No-Hitter and added a one-hitter. Only a sophomore, she has broken the Pace career record for strikeouts, shutouts and saves. She has compiled the second-best single-season ERA of 1.04.

Joe Diabella (Levittown, NY), an All-American lacrosse player, was tabbed the Male Athlete of the Year. He led the Setters to a number-three ranking, an 11-3 record and a spot in the NE-10 title game. He was a Pre-Season All-American and is on track for his second straight post-season First Team All-American award. A senior, he moved up to seventh on Pace’s all-time list with 78 goals, and ninth on the career list with 116 points.

Junior Denise Lamond (Denison, TX), a member of the volleyball team, earned the ECAC Merit Award, which is presented to a student-athlete who combines excellence on the field or court with quality in the classroom and service to the community. Denise has been the President and NE-10 representative of the Student Athlete Advisory Council, volunteered for the Habitat for Humanity Project, participated in the Setter Pride Campaign, carries a cumulative 3.80 GPA in International Management, has earned Dean’s List First Honors, and is a team captain.

Cheerleading captain Jessica White (Philadelphia, PA), a junior, was the recipient of the Pace Athletics Award of Valor. Jessica has overcome a hearing disability in which she has lost 100% of the hearing in one ear and 60% of the hearing in the other, to excel as the cheerleading captain.

Ron Nahum and Eileen Murphy received the Honorary Letterwinner Award. Ron is the Associate Vice President for Finance/Assistant Treasurer and Eileen is an advisor in the Lubin School of Business.

Softball & Lacrosse Teams Earn Spots In NE-10 Title Games

It was an exciting spring for Pace University athletics, especially the softball and lacrosse teams. Both squads made their way to the Northeast-10 Conference Championship games, only to lose both.

Head Coach Claudia Stabile’s softball team finished with a 33-18 record, second-best in school history, upset number-one seed LeMoyne in the NE-10 Tournament twice, and lost to American (continued on next page)
**ATHLETES OF THE MONTH**

**APRIL 2003**

**Male:** Jeremy Jablonski (Lacrosse); Female: Angela Locsin (Softball)

**MARCH 2003**

**Male:** Jeremy Jablonski (Lacrosse); Female: Equestrian Team

**FEBRUARY 2003**

**Male:** Ian Wilson (M. Basketball); Female: Andrea Padelsky (W. Basketball)

**JANUARY 2003**

**Male:** Atiba Lyons (M. Basketball); Female: Andrea Padelsky (W. Basketball)

**DECEMBER 2002**

**Male:** Chaka Lightburn (M. Basketball); Female: Nicola Mignott (W. Basketball)

**NOVEMBER 2002**

**Male:** Ian Wilson (M. Basketball); Female: Maja Iljic (Volleyball)

**OCTOBER 2002**

**Male:** Jason Waldon (M. Golf); Female: Ria Carroll (W. Soccer)

**SEPTEMBER 2002**

**Co-Male:** Steve Shapiro (M. Golf) & Jason Waldon (M. Golf); **Co-Female:** Maja Iljic (Volleyball) & Andreea Cotoranu (Volleyball)

**SOFTBALL**

**NFCA ALL-REGION TEAM**

Angela Locsin (2nd Tm.)

**NE-10 ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM**

Jackie Burd (1st Tm.), Tess Bair (2nd Tm.), Melanie Judson (2nd Tm.), Angela Locsin (3rd Tm.), Sheila Mercado (3rd Tm.)

**LACROSSE**

**STX/USILA ALL-AMERICAN TEAM**

Joe DiBola (2nd Tm.), Jim Watson (Hon. Men.)

**NE-10 ALL-FRANCHSHEN OF THE YEAR**

Jeremy Jablonski

**NE-10 ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM**

Jeremy Jablonski (1st Tm.), Joe DiBola (1st Tm.), Colin

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Athletes In The Community

The Pace University Athletics Department is pleased to announce that the 2002-03 Setter Pride Campaign has been a success this year. Student-athletes from the university have performed a variety of community services throughout the year.

The Setter Pride Campaign is a program where members of the Pace University Student Athletic Advisory Committee may enlist their teammates to assist in many various on- and off-campus projects. Points are awarded to each team throughout the year and the team that earns the most points will be awarded a monetary amount for their fundraising account. Areas of participation include campus pride, team spirit, education efforts and community service.

The public gets to see another side of the athlete off the court – spending time working with area kids, giving back to the community. The events have also given different teams the opportunity to work together to achieve a common goal. Teams that otherwise might never have the chance to work together and get to know one another.

- Women’s basketball team members volunteered for the American Cancer Society’s Daffodil Day Campaign held on Pace’s campus.
- Donated athletic equipment to Operation Fit Kids, an organization working to curb obesity in young children.
- Donated numerous camps to United Way campaign and helped United Way raise over $6,000.
- Habitat for Humanity – Football, baseball and volleyball players helped build houses in Yonkers – Pace became the Flagship University in the area and was recognized at the Habitat luncheon on April 4.
- Football team and staff members donated canned goods to Westchester Homeless Shelter.

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- Volleyball team held a free clinic for 80 area middle school students.
- Youth Sports Day at a Pace men’s and women’s basketball game in January hosted over 100 area kids.
- Numerous other teams ran clinics and camps and over 900 area kids were on campus for clinics and summer camps.

The women’s basketball team held their own Campus Cleanup on March 28, spending half a day cleaning up the Pleasantville campus.