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WOMEN'S SOCCER ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS ANNOUNCED

GRAND RAPIDS, MI -- The 2005 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Women's Soccer All-Conference Team was released today as Madonna University junior forward Kelly Japowicz was named Offensive Player of the Year and Cornerstone University junior Grace Kelly took home the Defensive Player of the Year honor. Madonna's Mark Zathey, who led his team to their fourth straight regular season championship, was named the Coach of the Year for the third time in his career.

Japowicz, who also was the conference's Preseason Player of the Year, finished the regular season with 18 goals and 41 total points including three game winning goals for the champion Crusaders. Japowicz, a native of Harper Woods, Mich., led all conference players this season in points (41) and goals (18). She was also sixth in the league in assists (5) and tied for the conference lead in game-winning goals with three. Japowicz is the first women's soccer player in WHAC annals to earn pre-season and post season Player of the Year honors and this is her third straight season as a WHAC first-team selection.

This is the first time the WHAC has recognized a Defensive Player of the Year. Cornerstone's Kelly takes home the prize after anchoring a stingy Golden Eagles backline that allowed opponents a measly 9 goals all season and helped post a league-best 0.54 goals against average. Kelly was a vital part of the effort that helped Cornerstone post 10 shutouts on the year.

Zathey led Madonna to a 14-1-3 record in his fifth season as the head coach. The Crusaders earned their fourth straight WHAC regular season championship and are ranked No. 8 in the latest NAIA top-25 poll.

Madonna led all WHAC teams with three selections on the all-conference first team while Cornerstone, Aquinas and Concordia each had two. In addition to Madonna's Japowicz, five other players are multiple recipients of first team all-conference honors.

Also announced today are the WHAC second team, honorable mention squad, academic all-conference and the new WHAC Champions of Character team. The Champions of Character team is comprised of one player from each conference school that best fills the five core values of the NAIA Champions of Character Initiative.

Award recipients will be presented with individual awards following Saturday's (10/29/05) WHAC tournament championship game between #1 seeded Madonna University and #2 seeded Cornerstone University. The title game will be held at Madonna's Greenmead Field in Livonia, Mich. and will begin at noon with the award ceremony to follow.

The complete All-WHAC Women's Soccer Teams can be viewed on the following pages:

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2005 ALL-WHAC WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM

First Team

<u>Player</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Kelly Japowicz	Madonna	Junior	Forward	Harper Woods, MI
Kara Walker	Indiana Tech	Senior	Forward	Ferndale, WA
Lacey Catarino	Madonna	Senior	Midfielder	Westland, MI
Jessica Greaney	Aquinas	Freshman	Midfielder	Troy, MI
Katie Schmuck	Aquinas	Junior	Midfielder	Rockford, MI
Ashley Gay	Concordia	Junior	Defender	Pinckney, MI
Grace Kelly	Cornerstone	Junior	Defender	Grand Rapids, MI
Anna Meyer	Cornerstone	Junior	Defender	Grand Rapids, MI
Nikki Romano	Siena Heights	Junior	Defender	Sterling Heights, MI
Julie Turner	Madonna	Sophomore	Defender	Troy, MI
Kelly Wurzell	Concordia	Freshman	Goalkeeper	Lambertville, MI

2005 WHAC Player of the Year: Kelly Japowicz, Madonna

2005 WHAC Defensive Player of the Year: Grace Kelly, Cornerstone

2005 WHAC Coach of the Year: Mark Zathay, Madonna

Second Team

<u>Player</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Kristen Brundage	Siena Heights	Sophomore	Forward	Clarkston, MI
Mary Koscielniak	Cornerstone	Sophomore	Forward	Grand Haven, MI
Leah Koster	Cornerstone	Freshman	Forward	Holland, MI
Lizzy Slebodnik	Madonna	Sophomore	Forward	Romulus, MI
JoVonna Ferguson	Indiana Tech	Senior	Midfielder	Columbia, MO
Carey Canty	Siena Heights	Senior	Defender	Royal Oak, MI
Robyn Kuula	Cornerstone	Senior	Defender	Redford, MI
Rachaelle Mirto	Madonna	Sophomore	Defender	Brighton, MI
Connie Rogers	Aquinas	Sophomore	Defender	Portage, MI
Audrey Vandercamp	Aquinas	Junior	Defender	Holland, MI
Mindy Erny	Cornerstone	Junior	Goalkeeper	Fruitport, MI

Honorable Mention

<u>Player</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Casey Hoover	Concordia	Junior	Forward	Wixom, MI
Megan Romer	Concordia	Sophomore	Forward	Canton, MI
Dina Allie	Madonna	Freshman	Forward	Livonia, MI
Ashley Wilmoth	Siena Heights	Freshman	Forward	Fraser, MI
Lindsey Skinner	Aquinas	Sophomore	Midfielder	Muskegon, MI
Michelle Kitta	Concordia	Junior	Midfielder	Brighton, MI
Jaren Soule	Cornerstone	Freshman	Midfielder	Grand Haven, MI
Adrienne Whitson	Indiana Tech	Senior	Midfielder	Olive Branch, MS
Gina Schulz	Indiana Tech	Sophomore	Midfielder	Adrian, MI
Katie Kramer	Madonna	Junior	Midfielder	Highland, MI
Caitlin Boyak	Madonna	Freshman	Midfielder	Livonia, MI
Liz DiPonio	Madonna	Senior	Midfielder	Livonia, MI
Carol Roman	Siena Heights	Junior	Midfielder	Royal Oak, MI
Allison Davis	Siena Heights	Sophomore	Midfielder	Temperance, MI
Colleen Luther	Siena Heights	Sophomore	Midfielder	Brownstown, MI
Christine Coleman	Siena Heights	Junior	Midfielder	Oakland, MI
Kim Stoutenburg	Siena Heights	Freshman	Midfielder	Roscommon, MI
Erika Heimsoth	Concordia	Freshman	Defender	St. John's, MI
Hannah Blevins	Indiana Tech	Freshman	Defender	Fort Wayne, IN
Andrea Muscat	Madonna	Freshman	Defender	Livonia, MI
Teresa Henderson	Madonna	Junior	Defender	Walled Lake, MI
Maggie Vaillancourt	Siena Heights	Sophomore	Defender	Farmington, MI
Brittany Cervi	Madonna	Freshman	Goalkeeper	Canton, MI
Katharine Koch	Siena Heights	Junior	Goalkeeper	Livonia, MI

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Academic All-Conference

(Recognizing juniors and seniors with a 3.25 GPA or above)

<u>Player</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Major</u>
Carey Canty	Siena Heights	Senior	Business Administration
Christine Coleman	Siena Heights	Junior	Mathematics
Rachel Cousino	Concordia	Senior	Secondary Education
Ashley Dean	Cornerstone	Junior	Accounting
Liz DiPonio	Madonna	Senior	Elementary Education
Megan Duma	Concordia	Senior	Secondary Education
JoVonna Ferguson	Indiana Tech	Senior	Business Administration
Teresa Henderson	Madonna	Junior	Psychology
Robyn Kuula	Cornerstone	Senior	Psychology
Kami Kracht	Aquinas	Junior	Business/Sport Management
Ashleigh Olano	Siena Heights	Junior	Language Arts
Emily Olds	Indiana Tech	Senior	Business Administration
Heather Schneider	Concordia	Junior	Elementary Education
Audrey Vandercamp	Aquinas	Junior	Physical Education
Kara Walker	Indiana Tech	Senior	Mechanical Engineering
Carolyn Walton	Cornerstone	Junior	Special Education

Champions of Character Team

(Recognizing student-athletes that meet the five core values of the NAIA Champions of Character initiative; Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Servant Leadership and Sportsmanship)

<u>Player</u>	<u>School</u>
Mary Koscielniak	Cornerstone
Kami Kracht	Aquinas
Katie Kramer	Madonna
Heather Schneider	Concordia
Maggie Vaillancourt	Siena Heights
Adrienne Whitson	Indiana Tech