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Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) Announces New Officers for 2011-12 Academic Year

WEXFORD, Pa. – **Richard G. Jewell J.D.**, president of Grove City College, will serve as the chair of the Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) Presidents' Council in the 2011-12 academic year, beginning tomorrow (July 1, 2011). Jewell succeeds **Dr. Ken Smith**, president at Geneva College, who served as the chair of the PAC Presidents' Council in 2010-11.

Jewell, a Pittsburgh lawyer and businessman, is a 1967 Grove City College graduate and longtime Bethel Park, Pa., resident. In the fall of 2003, he left his Pittsburgh position as a director of the Chicago-based Navigant Consulting Inc., the nation's largest forensic accounting firm, to assume the presidency of Grove City College. Jewell, first elected to the college's board of trustees in 1974, received the school's Distinguished Service Award in 2001. He is past president of the Alumni Association and co-chair of the college's on-going capital campaign.

Jewell graduated cum laude from Grove City with high honors in political science. In addition, he was captain of the 1967 swim team and a two-time Penn-Ohio College diving champion. Jewell was inducted into the college's Swimming-Diving Hall of Fame in 1989. He graduated from the University of Michigan Law School in 1973 with a Juris Doctor degree. A veteran, Jewell served in the U.S. Army from 1969-1971.

With Jewell assuming the chair of the Presidents' Council, the other standing PAC councils will also be chaired by Grove City College representatives in the upcoming academic year. Grove City Athletic Director **Dr. Don Lyle** will serve as chair of the PAC Athletic Administrators (AA) Council, while Associate AD **Susan Roberts** will chair the PAC Senior Woman Administrators Council (SWAC) in 2010-11. The PAC Faculty Athletic Representatives Association (PAC FARA) will be co-chaired by Grove City FARs **Dr. Eric Potter** and **Dr. Julie Moeller**.

The PAC Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) has elected senior soccer player **Hannah Shaner** of Washington & Jefferson College as President for 2011-12. Shaner previously served as PAC SAAC Vice President in 2010-11. Bethany College basketball player **Ryan Summers**, also a senior, will serve as PAC SAAC Vice President in 2011-12.

Joe Onderko will continue to serve as PAC executive director in 2011-12. Onderko begins his sixth year as executive director and 11th year overall with the conference this fall. **Shannon O'Brien** also returns for her second year as PAC Associate Director in a position funded by the NCAA Division III Ethnic Minority & Women's Internship Grant program.

Founded in 1955, the Presidents' Athletic Conference continues its mission of promoting intercollegiate athletics and the pursuit of academic excellence. Consisting of 10 select private institutions in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Kentucky, the PAC remains a unique organization in this day of high pressure intercollegiate athletics. With academics at the center of each member's philosophy, the PAC is built on the principle that an athletic program is a part of college life, but not an entity in itself. The PAC annually crowns champions in 19 sports (10 men, nine women).