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Mills, Brown named PAC SAAC Scholar-Athletes of the Month for February, 2011

WEXFORD, Pa. – The Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) announced today that **Kirstie Mills (Greensburg, Pa./Hempfield HS)** of Saint Vincent College and **Corey Brown (Greenville, Pa./Reynolds HS)** of Thiel College have been named Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) Scholar-Athletes of the Month for February 2011.

Mills is a junior student-athlete at Saint Vincent and a member of the women's soccer team. As the Bearcats goalie, Mills finished second in the PAC in both saves (171) and saves per game (10.1). She has started in goal for the Bearcats in each of her three seasons at Saint Vincent. On October 11, 2010 Mills was named PAC and ECAC Defensive Player of the Week. She finished 2010 with six shutouts in goal.

Off the field, Mills is a Mathematics/Engineering major. She holds a 3.45 cumulative grade point average (GPA). In 2010, Mills was named to the Fall PAC Academic Honor Roll. She is an active member of the Saint Vincent Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Mills is also a member of the physics club and the art club.

Brown is a junior student-athlete at Thiel College and a member of the men's wrestling team. Brown has a chance to make Thiel wrestling history this season. He has already earned two All-American awards, and no Tomcat wrestler has ever been a three-time All-American. Brown is currently ranked ninth in the nation at 133 pounds. In addition to his success nationally, Brown just recently earned his third Presidents' Athletic Conference title. While earning his first conference title in 2009, he was named the PAC Outstanding Wrestler as a freshman.

In the classroom, Brown is a Criminal Justice Studies major at Thiel and holds a 3.74 cumulative GPA. He is a five-time member of Thiel's Dean's List and was named a National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) Scholar All-American last season. His academic achievements helped the Tomcat wrestling team earn a NWCA Scholar Team Award with the 16th highest GPA in Division III wrestling. Brown is also involved on campus as a resident assistant and a campus shuttle driver.

Each month, SAAC members at a PAC school nominate a student-athlete to highlight based on academic and athletic accomplishments. Honorees must be a varsity member in their respective sport(s) and in their junior or senior year. Scholar-Athletes of the Month must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and be actively involved on his or her campus community.

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).

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