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Grove City's Peck, Thomas More's McKeehan named PAC SAAC Scholar-Athletes of the Month for March 2010

WEXFORD, Pa. – The Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) announced today that **Michelle Peck** (Abingdon, Md./Bel Air) of Grove City College and Daniel McKeehan (Maineville, Ohio/Little Miami) of Thomas More College have been named PAC Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) Scholar-Athletes of the Month for March 2010.

Peck is a dual-sport student-athlete as a senior member of the Wolverine women's soccer team in the fall and the women's golf team in the spring. She has been very successful in her sports, being named the PAC Player of the Year and first team All-PAC this past soccer season and second team All-PAC in golf last spring.

In the classroom, Peck has earned a 3.74 GPA as a molecular biology major, prompting additional honors such as being named CoSIDA Academic All-America second team (2008, 2009) and PAC Academic Honor Roll (2006-09). She is also very active outside of athletics, as a member of Beta Beta Beta National Biological Honor Society, Crown and Sceptre Academic and Service Honorary and the Chi Alpha National College Athlete Honor Society. Peck is also president of Grove City's Women's Athletic Association.

McKeehan's career on the basketball court has been very successful during his years at Thomas More. This season alone, he led the Saints with 15.6 points per game, while also picking up 4.9 rebounds per contest. For his efforts on the court, McKeehan was named PAC Men's Basketball Player of the Year three times this season and named to the D3hoops.com Team of the Week (Jan. 22, 2010).

McKeehan is just as successful outside the basketball arena as well. As a business adminstration and economics major with a 4.0 GPA, he was recognized as the 2009-2010 College Division ESPN The Magazine All-America Men's Basketball Player of the Year. In addition to being a student-athlete, McKeehan is also a youth basketball camp volunteer, a volunteer aid for the Thomas More Sommerkamp Tutoring Center and a weekend volunteer at Brookside Extended Care in northern Kentucky.

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). In 2008-09, the PAC had 41 teams represent the conference in postseason play, including 23 in NCAA championship events. PAC championship teams receive automatic qualification (AQ) status for most NCAA Division III national championship events.