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## FOR RELEASE: June 15, 2012 Long, Sargent named PAC SAAC Scholar-Athletes of the Month for June, 2012

NEW WILMINGTON, Pa. – The Presidents' Athletic Conference (PAC) announced today that Allison Long (Hebron, KY/Conner H.S.) of Thomas More College and Marguerite Sargent (Washington, PA/ Washington H.S.) of Chatham University have been named Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) Scholar-Athletes of the Month for June 2012.

Long is a junior student-athlete at Thomas More College and a member of the women's basketball team. This past season, she was named to the All-PAC First Team and the D3Hoops.com All-Great Lakes Region Second Team. Long was named to the Las Vegas Tournament All-Tournament Team and selected as the MVP at Capital University's Julie Costello Tournament. During the 2011-12 season, she received two PAC player of the week honors and reached the 1,000 point plateau in her career.

Off the court, Long is majoring in Secondary Education and holds a 3.94 grade point average (GPA). She was named to the Capital One Division III Academic All District II First Team and has been named on the PAC Academic Honor Roll. On campus, she is the Thomas More SAAC Vice President. Long volunteers her time with the Special Olympics, the Children's Home Festival, and at John G. Carlisle Elememtary. She also participated in the Check your Genes 5K; a charitable organization formed to increase awareness and improve education about the importance of family history to developing breast and ovarian cancer.

Sargent is a senior student-athlete at Chatham University and a member of the basketball team. During the 2011-12 season she was named varsity basketball captain and was nominated as a Chatham University Athlete of the Month. Sargent was named to the Chatham University's Purple Reign All Tournament Team in 2011. She is a member of the Washington Green County Sports All of Fame.

Off the court, Sargent has earned her Bachelors of Fine Arts degree in Creative Writing and is currently working on her Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing. She holds a 3.90 GPA. She has been named to the PAC Academic Honor Roll and is the secretary for the Sigma Tau Delta Honor Society. Sargent is also a member of the Blue Key Honor Society and the Chatham SAAC. She serves as the publisher and editor of *Lefty Blondie Press* and is the editor of *The Minor Bird*, Chatham University's Literary Magazine.

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) as a member of NCAA Division III.