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Mihalik, Davis Named PAC SAAC Scholar-Athletes of the Month for October, 2007

WEXFORD, Pa. - The Presidents' Athletic Conference announced that Washington & Jefferson's **Beth Mihalik (Slippery Rock, Pa./Slippery Rock H.S.)** and Waynesburg's **Brad Davis (McClellandtown, Pa./Albert Gallatin H.S)** have been named PAC Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) Scholar-Athletes of the Month, for October 2007.

Mihalik is a senior middle hitter for the President volleyball team which reached the semifinals of the PAC and ECAC championships. She ranked eighth in the PAC with 0.90 blocks per game. Mihalik earned second team Academic All-District II College Division honors by *ESPN The Magazine* and the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) this season. In the classroom, she carries a 3.99 cumulative grade-point average (GPA) while holding a double major in business administration and psychology.

Davis is a junior on the Yellow Jacket men's soccer team and has been the starting goalkeeper since his freshman season. He started 11 of 13 games he played in in 2007 while leading the team in goals-against average. He has been named to the PAC Academic Honor Roll twice and maintains a 3.96 cumulative GPA as a forensic science major.

Other female nominees include Thiel junior soccer player **Cayla Zukowski**, Waynesburg senior soccer player **Amy Mills**, and Westminster senior volleyball player **Jess Cooper**.

Other male nominees include Thiel junior football player **Sam Swartzfager**, Washington & Jefferson senior cross country runner **Matt Rudzki**, and Westminster senior cross country runner **Will DeLair**.

Each month, SAAC members from each PAC institution are eligible to nominate two junior or senior varsity student athletes (one male, one female) from their school. All PAC Scholar-Athlete nominations must be in season, have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, and be actively involved in their 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 2006-07, the conference had 24 teams represent the conference in postseason play, including 14 in NCAA championship events.

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