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Lehigh Men And Navy Women Capture PL Swimming & Diving Titles

Hawley And Rinaldi Repeat As Patriot League Swimmer and Diver Of The Meet, Respectively

ANNAPOLIS- Md. - The Lehigh men and the Navy women took home the team crowns at the Patriot League Swimming & Diving Championships, being held at Navy's Lejeune Hall. Four more Championship records fell on the final day in the pool, bringing the three-day total to 11 new records.

Navy senior **Melissa Hawley** and American junior **Mark Liscinsky** were tabbed the Patriot League Swimmers of the Meet, while Holy Cross senior **Kim Rinaldi** and Colgate freshman **Lane Ellis** captured PL Diver of the Meet honors. Bucknell's **Jerry Foley** was named the Women's Swimming Coach of the Year, while **Mark Davin** of American took home Men's Coach of the Year accolades. Holy Cross' **Brian Boyer** was the Diving Coach of the Year.

Today, Hawley claimed a first-place finish in the 200-yd butterfly with a time of 2:06.29 to go along with her titles in the 200- and 400-yd individual medley. The senior, who was also the 2001 PL Swimmer of the Meet, also anchored the Navy 400-yd freestyle relay team to a meet record time of 3:29.70.

Liscinsky, who has broken two PL records entering the final day (100-yd backstroke and 200-yd individual medley), posted a record time in the final with a mark of 1:47.81. He had originally set the bar with a 1:49.40 in the prelims in the morning. Liscinsky was also a member of the 800- and 400-yd freestyle relay teams.

Rinaldi successfully defended her title of League Diver of the Meet with victories in the one- and three-meter diving events. The senior set the meet record with 456.70 points in the three-meter dive, breaking the old record set by Julia Bell from Army in 1996 (446.90).

Ellis continues the storied history of Colgate diving, becoming the fifth Raider to take home Diver of the Meet honors. The rookie won the one-meter event today with 287.35 points and also claimed a second-place finish in the three-meter on the opening day of competition.

The other meet record that was set Saturday came from American sophomore **Dominic Szabo**, who touched the wall first in the 200-yd breaststroke with a time of 2:00.10, which is also a NCAA provisional qualifying effort. Teammate and fellow sophomore **Ethan Bassett** finished second in the event and also hit the NCAA provisional mark with a time of 2:00.37 in the final.

The Mountain Hawk men registered two first-place finishes Saturday by sophomore **Brian Golebiewski** in the 1,650-yd freestyle (16:12.61) and junior **Bing Padmasankha** in the 100-yd freestyle (45.74). The American women posted the most victories on the last day, led by senior **Junkal Irigoien** in the 200 backstroke (2:02.71). Rounding out the list of Eagle winners are sophomore **Jessica Lindstrom** (100-yd freestyle - 51.95) and junior **Stina Lindman** (200-yd breaststroke - 2:21.88).

Other winners on the final day of competition include, Bucknell sophomore **Daniella Fass** in the 1,650-freestyle (17:13.27) and Army freshman **Sebastian Rodriguez** in the 200-butterfly (1:51.92).

The Patriot League, which was founded on the principles of admitting athletes who are academically representative of their class, is in its second decade of academic and athletic excellence. Participation in athletics at Patriot League institutions is viewed as an important component of the undergraduate experience. The Patriot League, which began as a successful Division I-AA football conference in 1986 and became an all-sport conference in 1990, includes American, Army, Bucknell, Colgate, Holy Cross, Lafayette, Lehigh and Navy as full members and seven associate members. These institutions are among the oldest and most prestigious in the nation and their alumni that have played leadership roles in the shaping of our country. In the most recent NCAA Graduation Rate Report of student-athletes, the Patriot League ranked FIRST among NCAA Division I conferences.

Women's Swimmer of the Year: Melissa Hawley, Navy, senior

Men's Swimmer of the Year: Mark Liscinsky, American, junior

Women's Diver of the Year: Kim Rinaldi, Holy Cross, senior

Men's Diver of the Year: Lane Ellis, Colgate, freshman

Women's Coach of the Year: Jerry Foley, Bucknell

Men's Coach of the Year: Mark Davin, American

Diving Coach of the Year: Brian Boyer, Holy Cross

Men's Standings

1.	Lehigh	694
2.	American	643
3.	Army	575
4.	Bucknell	474
5.	Colgate	396
6.	Lafayette	356
7.	Holy Cross	254

Women's Standings

1.	Navy	663
2.	Bucknell	632
3.	American	582
4.	Lehigh	506
5.	Colgate	372
6.	Army	327
7.	Lafayette	225
8.	Holy Cross	198