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Patriot League releases 2005 Softball Academic Honor Roll

Forty-three student-athletes honored by League

CENTER VALLEY, Pa. – Of the 43 student-athletes named to the 2005 Patriot League Softball Academic Honor Roll, Holy Cross junior **Heather Johnson** (Wrentham, Mass./Bishop Feehan) stands out as the only member to post a 4.0 grade point average (GPA). Also on this year's list is the 2005 Softball and Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year, Bucknell junior **Lauren Wible** (Dover, Pa./Dover). Wible owned a 3.83 GPA for the spring semester and was the NCAA Division I batting champion with a .524 average. The 2005 Softball Academic Honor Roll was announced Tuesday by **Carolyn Schlie Femovich**, Patriot League Executive Director.

To be eligible for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must earn a 3.20 grade point average in the spring semester and be awarded a varsity letter in one of the League's six winter or 10 spring championship sports.

A total of 866 student-athletes were named to the League's Winter/Spring Academic Honor Roll, including 53 with 4.00 GPAs. The Winter/Spring Academic Honor Roll includes the sports of men's and women's basketball, men's and women's swimming & diving, men's and women's indoor track & field, baseball, golf, men's and women's lacrosse, rowing, men's and women's outdoor track & field, softball and men's and women's tennis.

Bucknell led the way with 199 candidates on the League's Winter/Spring Academic Honor Roll. Lehigh placed the most student-athletes on the Softball Academic Honor Roll with 12, while Bucknell was right behind with 11.

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 three associate members. These institutions are among the oldest and most prestigious in the nation and their alumni 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.

2005 Patriot League Softball Academic Honor Roll

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
ARMY(4)				
Lindsey Gerheim	So.	Management	3.46	Alpharetta, Ga./Milton
Leigh Harrell	Sr.	Mechanical Engineering	3.32	Windsor, N.C./ John A. Holmes
Veronica Lauzon	So.	Foreign Area Studies	3.27	Capistrano Beach, Calif./San Clemente
Darcy Wilson	Jr.	Engineering Management	3.20	Tucson, Ariz./Canyon del Oro
BUCKNELL (11)				
Erin Curatola	Fr.	Undeclared	3.33	River Edge, N.J./River Dell
Michelle Danish	So.	Biology	3.58	Nazareth, Pa./Nazareth
Kris Devore	Jr.	Management	3.78	Washington, Pa./Trinity
Meghan Feller	So.	Civil Engineering	3.33	Willoughby Hills, Ohio/Notre Dame Cathedral Latin
Megan Good	So.	Economics	3.50	Conestoga, Pa./Penn Manor
Monica Grinage	So.	Economics	3.41	Braddock, Pa./Shady Side Academy
Heather Haskin	Fr.	Undeclared	3.33	Noblesville, Ind./Thomas Seccina Memorial

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BUCKNELL (continued)

Jennifer James	So.	Psychology	3.33	Ambler, Pa./Hatboro-Horsham
Jennifer Ross	Sr.	English	3.58	Wharton, N.J./Morris Hills
Alyssa Schneebaum	Jr.	Economics	3.50	Fresh Meadows, N.Y./Francis Lewis
Lauren Wible	Jr.	English	3.83	Dover, Pa./Dover

COLGATE (2)

Erin Hanna	Jr.	Psychology/Spanish	3.75	Tucson, Ariz./University
Kim Olmstead	Jr.	Educational Studies	3.22	Spring Hill, Fla./Hernando

HOLY CROSS (9)

Nicole Dessingue	Jr.	Psychology	3.68	Schaghticoke, N.Y./Catholic Central
Alycia FitzPatrick	Sr.	Political Science	3.50	Lake Forest, Calif./Santa Margarita Catholic
Michelle Greene	Sr.	Mathematics	3.33	Woburn, Mass./Woburn
Shailin Hogan	Fr.	Mathematics	3.70	Brewster, N.Y./Kennedy Catholic
<i>Heather Johnson</i>	<i>Jr.</i>	<i>Mathematics</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>Wrentham, Mass./Bishop Feehan</i>
Megan Lally	Jr.	Psychology	3.60	Lake Forest, Calif./El Toro
Erica McKeever	Fr.	English	3.33	Brookfield, Conn./Brookfield
Mary Beth Ryan	Sr.	History	3.90	Holden, Mass./Notre Dame Academy
Sheena Stangler	So.	Mathematics	3.58	Bremerton, Wash./Central Kitsap

LAFAYETTE (5)

Megan Averbuch	So.	Art	3.20	Centerport, N.Y./Harborfield
Jackie Fitzgerald	Sr.	Economics & Business	3.33	Toms River, N.J./Toms River East
Amy Levinson	Sr.	Anthropology & Sociology/ Religious Studies	3.40	Orinda, Calif./Miramonte
Kathryn Longshore	So.	Psychology	3.68	Philadelphia, Pa./Central
Jill Masterton	So.	Economics & Business	3.66	East Brunswick, N.J./East Brunswick

LEHIGH (12)

Kate Arico	Jr.	Industrial Engineering	3.94	Flemington, N.J./Hunterdon Central
Megan Conrad	Fr.	Arts and Sciences	3.53	Kutztown, Pa./Kutztown
Stefanie Forlenza	So.	Arts and Sciences	3.43	Staten Island, N.Y./St. Joseph's by the Sea
Heather Hamasaki	So.	Arts and Sciences	3.21	Glendale, Calif./Glendale
Ali Linsk	Jr.	Behavioral Neuroscience	3.77	Langhorne, Pa./Neshaminy
Kate Marvel	Fr.	Arts and Sciences	3.44	Manasquan, N.J./Red Bank Catholic
Stephanie Palmieri	Fr.	English	3.93	Blue Bell, Pa./Wissahickon
Whitney Schenbeck	So.	Business	3.85	Parker, Colo./Ponderosa
Julie Sterrett	So.	Arts and Sciences	3.75	Coopersburg, Pa./Southern Lehigh
Britt Swanson	Sr.	Architecture	3.82	Fort Collins, Colo./Poudre
Katherine Wegert	So.	Arts and Sciences	3.93	Winnetka, Ill./New Trier Twp.
Mary Wieder	Jr.	Marketing	3.41	Emmaus, Pa./Emmaus