

2001-02 - Week 35

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GREYHOUND TRACKS

Team Records as of May 19, 2002				
	Overall	Commonwealth	MAC	Meets & Tournaments
Baseball	13-25	6-15	8-18	Eastern Mennonite Sarasota Spring Break Classic
Golf	3-2	0-2	1-2	3 rd of 4 at Lehigh Valley Championships; 3 rd of 14 at
		2002 Mi	iddle Atl	antic Conference Championships
Softball	34-8	12-1	17-2	Commonwealth Conference Champions; NCAA
		Division	III Eas	t Regional
Men's Tennis	11-7	5-1	11-3	MAC Semifinalist
Men's Outdoor Track	0-0	0-0	0-0	5th of 9 at MAC Championships
Women's Outdoor Track	0-0	0-0	0-0	MAC Champions (1st of 11)

GREYHOUND STUDENT-ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Female – Heidi Wolfsberger (Sr., Moosic, PA/Riverside HS), Women's Track & Field Male – Joe Moore (So., Andover, NJ/Newton HS), Men's Track & Field

UPCOMING NCAA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS:

The Moravian College men's & women's track and field teams are preparing for the 2002 NCAA Division Outdoor National Championships to be hosted by Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota on Thursday, May 23rd through Saturday, May 25th. The Greyhounds currently have three automatic qualifiers for the championships and 11 provisional qualifiers. The final decision on student-athletes attending the championships was made late Monday evening.

FINAL GREYHOUND TRACKS OF 2001-02

The final issue of Greyhound Tracks for the 2001-02 academic year will be mailed on Tuesday, May 28th and will include a recap of Moravian's performance at the 2002 NCAA Division III Track & Field Championships.

FOR DAILY UPDATES OF MORAVIAN COLLEGE ATHLETICS, CALL THE GREYHOUNDS SPORTSLINE AT (610) 625-7865 or VISIT THE MORAVIAN COLLEGE WEBSITE AT WWW.MORAVIAN.EDU, UP-DATED DAILY AT 8:00 A.M. AND 7:00 P.M. Women's Outdoor Track & Field –MAC Indoor Champions (7th straight); MAC Outdoor Champions (10th straight)
Last Week – No Team Scores at Jim Tuppeny Twilight Meet at Villanova University; No Team Scores at Haverford Last Chance Meet.

This Week – Thu.-Sat., May 23rd-25th at NCAA Division III National Championships hosted by Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

The Greyhounds had two first place finishers at the Jim Tuppeny Twilight Meet hosted by Villanova University. Senior Emily Shertzer (Hummelstown, PA/Lower Dauphin HS) won the 3,000-meter steeplechase in a NCAA Division III provisional qualifying time of 11:15.3 while senior Kim Jaick (Coopersburg, PA/Southern Lehigh HS) captured first in the 5,000 meters in a NCAA provisional qualifying time of 17:48.5. Senior Heidi Wolfsberger (Moosic, PA/Riverside HS) won her heat of the 1,500 meters in a NCAA provisional qualifying time of 4:39.70 while senior Erin Boyle (Philadelphia, PA/Nazareth Academy HS) was sixth in the heat in 4:56.55. Senior Carrie McCaffery (Lebanon, PA/Annville-Cleona HS) took sixth in the hammer throw with a toss of 39.84 meters (130 feet, eight inches) and she was fifth in the javelin with a throw of 36.71 meters (120 feet, five inches). Senior Jennifer Lohn (Media, PA/Penncrest HS) placed third in the javelin at 37.12 meters (121 feet, nine inches).

Moravian sent four individuals to the McElligott Invitational hosted by Haverford College to improve on provisional qualifying standards for the upcoming NCAA Division III National Championships. **Wolfsberger** did improve her time in the 1,500 meters to 4:38.70, the best time by a Moravian runner this season and good enough for third place in the event. **Boyle** ran a time of 4:44.84 and placed sixth in the race. **McCaffery** won the javelin with a throw of 37.20 meters (122 feet) but was short of the qualifying standard. Senior **Sarah Shaneberger** (**Bethlehem, PA/Southern Lehigh HS**) took second in the shot put with a toss of 12.87 meters (42 feet, 2 3/4 inches) but did not improve on her best throw of the year.

Men's Outdoor Track & Field – 0-0 (MAC 0-0)

Last Week – No Team Scores at Jim Tuppeny Twilight Meet at Villanova University; No Team Scores at Haverford Last Chance Meet.

This Week – Thu.-Sat., May 23rd-25th at NCAA Division III National Championships hosted by Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

The Greyhounds had just one competitor at the Jim Tuppeny Twilight meet hosted by Villanova University with sophomore **John Lesoine** (**East Stroudsburg, PA/East Stroudsburg HS**) placing seventh in the hammer throw with a toss of 43.46 meters (142 feet, three inches).

Moravian had one competitor taking a last chance to qualify for the 2002 NCAA Division III Champions at the McElligott Invitational hosted by Haverford College. Sophomore **Joe Moore** (**Andover**, **NJ/Newton HS**) won the long jump but came up just short of making the NCAA qualifying standard. He won the event with a leap of 7.04 meters (23 feet, 1 1/4 inches) and the standard he needed to reach was 7.05 meters (23 feet, 1 3/4 inches). **Moore's** distance came on his last jump of the competition.

Golf - 3-2 (Commonwealth 0-2, MAC 1-2)

Season Complete

Moravian placed four golfers on the 2002 Middle Atlantic Conference All-Star teams with junior Jason Pozniak (Tunkhannock, PA/Tunkhannock HS) and sophomore Jamison Licausi (Tobyhanna, PA/Pocono Mountain HS) earning First Team honors while senior Sean Carney (Lake Ariel, PA/Wallenpaupack HS) and sophomore Brian Kurylo (Sparta, NJ/Sparta HS) were named to the Second Team. All four golfers placed in the top 20 at the 2002 Middle Atlantic Conference Championships contested at the Shawnee Country Club on April 27th and the quartet helped the Greyhounds finish in third place as a team, one stroke out of second place. The 2002 championship was limited to 27 holes due to rain and an unplayable course. The all-star teams are based on how the players finished in the 54-hole tournament. The top ten individuals earn first team accolades while the second ten are on the second team. Pozniak and Licausi were each tied for sixth with 27-hole totals of 118 and Pozniak was seventh overall when individual nine-hole scores were compared and Licausi was eighth overall. Carney and Kurylo each tied for 17th with scores of 122 with Carney coming in 19th and Kurylo placing 20th in the individual nine-hole scores.

Softball – 34-8 (Commonwealth Conference 12-1, MAC 17-2)

Season Complete

Sophomore third baseman Janelle Brey (Allentown, PA/Dieruff HS) and sophomore outfielder Melissa Soroka (Newton, NJ/Pope John XXIII HS) have been named to the 2002 NCAA Division III East Regional All-Tournament Team for their play at the regional hosted by Cabrini College on May 10th to 12th. The Greyhounds were the second seed in the tournament but were eliminated with losses to third seeded Rowan University, 4-2 in nine innings, and fourth seeded Salisbury (MD) University, 7-4. Salisbury went on to win the regional tournament and advance to the NCAA Division III College World Series in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Moravian was making its fifth straight trip to the NCAA Tournament and the Greyhounds finished 2002 with a 34-8 overall record, a school record for victories in any sport. Brey and Soroka were each four-or-eight in Moravian's two games. Brey added a RBI and had five putouts, six assists and just one error in 12 chances in the field. Soroka had three RBIs with two coming on a two-run home run in the loss to Salisbury. Soroka also scored two runs and made three putouts from her centerfield position.

The Greyhounds had five members named to the 2002 National Fastpitch Coaches Association All-Region Teams announced Friday. **Brey** was a First Team All-East Region selection and is now eligible for All-American honors to be announced later this week. Senior pitcher **Rachel Mowrey** (**Hellertown**, **PA/Saucon Valley HS**), senior second baseman **Laurie Rentschler** (**Slatington**, **PA/Northern Lehigh HS**) and freshman shortstop **Heather Bortz** (**Allentown**, **PA/Parkland HS**) were each Second Team honorees while sophomore outfielder **Jessica Esposito** (**Madison**, **NJ/Madison HS**) was a Third Team selection. Moravian finished the 2002 season with a 34-8 overall record, a school record for wins by any sport. The Greyhounds also won their third straight Commonwealth Conference Championships and competed in the NCAA Tournament for the fifth consecutive year.

Brey, who was the Commonwealth Conference Player of the Year and a First Team All-Star, led the Greyhounds this season with school records of 52 RBIs, 92 total bases, 15 doubles and ten home runs. **Brey** also added a .366 batting average with 45 hits, 13 walks and she tied for the team lead with 32 runs scored.

Mowrey, the Commonwealth Conference Pitcher of the Year and a First Team All-Star, paced the Moravian pitching staff with a 1.13 ERA and a 16-4 record. Mowrey also had seven shutouts and 51 strikeouts in 136 2/3 innings to lead Moravian. Mowrey's final career victory, which won Moravian the Commonwealth Conference Championship, was the 50th of her career, a mark only two other Greyhound pitchers have reached. Rentschler, a Second Team Commonwealth Conference All-Star, set the Moravian record for games played in a career at 167. She only missed two games in her four seasons. Rentschler had a .330 batting average this season with 29 hits, 19 runs scored, 13 RBIs and a team leading ten sacrifices. She also added four doubles and nine walks. Rentschler had a .983 fielding percentage with just three errors in 172 chances. Bortz, the Commonwealth Conference Rookie of the Year and a First Team All-Star, was an at-large selection on the All-Region Second Team. Bortz led Moravian in her first season with a .410 batting average with 50 hits. She added 32 runs scored, 13 RBIs, ten walks, 12 stolen bases and two triples. Bortz led the Greyhounds with 89 assists in the field and she helped Moravian turn 16 double plays during the season.

Esposito, a Commonwealth Conference Second Team All-Star, was also an at-large selection on the All-Region Third Team. **Esposito** hit .372 for Moravian this spring with 43 hits, 30 runs scored, 28 RBIs, ten doubles and two homers.

For the complete NFCA All-Region Teams from all eight regions, go to the NFCA website at www.NFCA.org.

Men's Tennis – 11-7 (MAC Commonwealth 5-1, MAC 11-3)

Season Complete

Baseball – 13-25 (Commonwealth Conference 6-15, MAC 8-18)

Season Complete

MORAVIAN HONORS SENIOR STUDENT-ATHLETES WOLFSBERGER & ABBATE NAMED SENIOR ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

BETHLEHEM, PA — Moravian College honored its 2002 senior student-athletes at its annual Senior Athletics Awards Banquet Wednesday night. Football and baseball standout **Michael Abbate** (**South Plainfield, NJ/Bishop Ahr HS**) was named the Outstanding Senior Male Athlete while cross country and track runner **Heidi Wolfsberger** (**Moosic, PA/Riverside HS**) was honored with the Outstanding Senior Female Athlete award. The Blue & Grey Scholar Athletes awards were presented to **Wolfsberger** and soccer athlete **Scott Heydt** (**Boyertown, PA/Boyertown HS**). The H.T.D. Gillespie Award for outstanding service to Moravian's athletics program was presented to **Dr. Brett Godbout**.

Abbate, who helped the baseball to 13-25 overall record this season and the football team to a 5-5 mark, had one of the best baseball seasons in Moravian history. He set school records for games played (38), hits (43) and at-bats (131) while hitting .328. **Abbate**, who was named a Commonwealth Conference Second Team All-Star also had 34 runs scored, ten doubles and 27 walks, which each rank second in school history. In his career, **Abbate** set the Moravian marks for games played (133), at-bats (422), runs scored (118), doubles (27), walks (96) and stolen bases (39). He is fourth in hits (118) and total bases (150). **Abbate** was also a football player at Moravian, catching 114 passes (fourth all-time) for 1,619 yards (third all-time). He was also second in career punt returns (81) and career punt return yardage (680). **Abbate** is a four-time member of the Middle Atlantic Conference All-Academic Team.

Wolfsberger is one of the most prolific student-athletes in Moravian history. She is a three time Middle Atlantic Conference Champion, a two-time NCAA Division III Mideast Region Champion and a three-time All-American in cross country, twice finishing as the runner-up at the national championships. On the track, Wolfsberger won the 2001 NCAA Division III National Championship in the 1,500 meters at the indoor meet and she has been an All-American seven times in her career, including a runner-up finish in the outdoor 1,500 meters in 2000. Wolfsberger won 18 MAC individual and relay championships over four years and she was named the Most Outstanding Performer four times, twice indoors and twice outdoors. Wolfsberger, who has a 3.90 GPA with a major in psychology and elementary education, was named to the MAC All-Academic Team nine times in her career and she is a two-time Verizon First Team Academic All-American.

Heydt helped the Moravian men's squad to a 13-6-2 record this season, their first wining season since 1995, the Commonwealth Conference playoffs for the second straight season, and they led the team to the Eastern College Athletic Conference Mid-Atlantic Region semifinal match, the first time Moravian was in the ECAC Tournament since 1990. **Heydt** contributed three goals and three assists for nine points and he finished his career with 11 goals and 11 assists for 33 points. **Heydt**, who was a Verizon First Team Academic All-American this season, completed his degree in elementary education and psychology with a 3.92 GPA.

Over the last 12 years, **Godbout** has served as the team physician for all of Moravian's athletic teams. **Godbout**, who also works with the schools in the Bethlehem Area School District, is a orthopedic surgeon at Coordinated Health Systems in Bethlehem.