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SJC’S CRAVENS, BELLARMINE’S BRADY HEADLINE BASEBALL ALL-GLVC TEAM

INDIANAPOLIS – Saint Joseph’s College’s Blaine Cravens and Bellarmine University’s Patrick Brady have been named the Great Lakes Valley Conference Baseball Pitcher of the Year and Player of the Year, respectively. The pair headlines the 2008 All-GLVC Baseball First Team.

Cravens, a senior starting pitcher for the Pumas, has led Saint Joseph’s to a 41-14 overall record this season and a 24-8 league mark. He has posted a 1.29 earned run average in 10 appearances and accumulated 45 strikeouts in 62.2 innings pitched. Cravens is 8-1 on the year with three complete games and two shutouts.

In conference action, Cravens was 6-1 with a 1.22 earned run average. He made eight starts against conference foes and struck out 33 in 51.2 innings pitched.

Brady, a sophomore second baseman for the Knights, is hitting .414 overall this season with 43 RBIs, 59 runs scored, 27 doubles, seven home runs, and four triples. He has helped the Knights to a 33-18 overall record.

In addition, Brady has led Bellarmine to the top seed in the East Division for the upcoming GLVC Baseball Tournament. The Knights finished 23-7 in the GLVC and Brady shined with a .419 batting average, 37 runs scored, 29 RBIs, 16 doubles, five home runs, three triples and 16 stolen bases.

Joining Cravens and Brady on the All-GLVC First Team is Bellarmine’s Jeff Dillman, Braxton Graven and Shane Noble, Missouri S&T’s Thomas McCormick, Northern Kentucky’s Jake Shaffer and Ryan Schmidt, Saint Joseph’s Matt Reimer and Matt Wille, SIU Edwardsville’s Ben Bartley, Southern Indiana’s Josh Huebner, Jeremy Kehrt and Shaun Larsen and UIndy’s Brandon Braboy and Seth Paul.

UIndy’s Chris Saroff has been named the 2008 GLVC Freshman of the Year. The Greyhound standout helped UIndy to the GLVC Baseball Tournament and posted strong numbers at third base and pitcher. He is hitting .356 on the year with 36 RBIs, 33 runs, 10 doubles and 14 stolen bases. In addition, he is 2-3 on the mound in 10 appearances and has a 1.96 earned run average and four saves.

Bellarmine head coach Deron Spink has been selected by his peers as the 2008 GLVC Coach of the Year. Spink has guided the Knights to a 41-14 overall record and to a 24-8 league mark. Bellarmine locked up the East Division’s No. 1 seed for the GLVC Tournament.

In addition, the GLVC has announced a 16-member All-GLVC Second Team and 16-member All-GLVC Third Team. The complete list of award recipients follows.

All-GLVC First Team
C – Seth Paul, Indianapolis
1B – Jeff Dillman, Bellarmine
2B – Patrick Brady, Bellarmine
3B – Ben Bartley, SIU Edwardsville
SS – Matt Reimer, Saint Joseph’s
UT – Josh Huebner, Southern Indiana
DH – Braxton Graven, Bellarmine
OF – Thomas McCormick, Missouri S&T
OF – Shane Noble, Bellarmine

All-GLVC Second Team
C – Kevin O’Dea, Saint Joseph’s
1B – Taylor Huesman, SIU Edwardsville
2B – Adam Skalnars, Bellarmine
3B – Jake Shaffer, Northern Kentucky
SS – Aaron Krupski, Saint Joseph’s
UT – Chad Ullom, Southern Indiana
DH – Ryan Schmidt, Northern Kentucky
OF – Matt Wille, Saint Joseph’s
OF – Jake Haskins, Bellarmine

All-GLVC Third Team
C – Pat Heimbach, Bellarmine
1B – Taylor Simpkins, Saint Joseph’s
2B – Tommy Heimbach, Bellarmine
3B – Ben Bartley, SIU Edwardsville
SS – Mike Mayer, Bellarmine
UT – Jared Kruel, Southern Indiana
DH – Nick Christiansen, Bellarmine
OF – Kevin Geoghegan, Bellarmine
OF – Matt Hill, Saint Joseph’s

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OF – Jake Shaffer, Northern Kentucky
OF – Matt Wille, Saint Joseph’s
SP – Brandon Braboy, Indianapolis
SP – Blaine Cravens, Saint Joseph’s
SP – Jeremy Kehrt, Southern Indiana
SP – Ryan Schmidt, Northern Kentucky
RP – Shaun Larsen, Southern Indiana

All-GLVC Second Team
C – Larry Pempek, Northern Kentucky
1B – Matt Pleiss, Southern Indiana
2B – Josh Street, SIU Edwardsville
3B – Tyler Goss, Drury
SS – Cory Bunner, SIU Edwardsville
UT – Ryan Murray, Saint Joseph’s
DH – Ben Sondgeroth, Indianapolis
OF – Kevin Dusold, Northern Kentucky
OF – Adam Eggemyer, SIU Edwardsville
OF – Joe Palumbo, Quincy
OF – Daniel Thomson, SIU Edwardsville
SP – Derek Mattingly, Bellarmine
SP – Dave Middendorf, Northern Kentucky
SP – Nate Nevin, Bellarmine
SP – Chase Sonen, Saint Joseph’s
RP – Clay Tingley, Saint Joseph’s

All-GLVC Third Team
C – Yaimel Javier, Missouri S&T
1B – Evan McDole, Northern Kentucky
2B – Justin Skinner, Drury
3B – Alex Thieroff, Southern Indiana
SS – Joe Rohlfing, Drury
UT – Scott Hauber, Quincy
DH – Chad Werry, Southern Indiana
OF – R.J. Knese, Drury
OF – Justin Russell, Indianapolis
OF – Zach Troilo, Rockhurst
OF – Timothy Wimsatt, Kentucky Wesleyan
SP – Chris Chojnowski, Saint Joseph’s
SP – Jon Guzzo, Lewis
SP – Christopher Marston, Drury
SP – Josh Schultze, Kentucky Wesleyan
RP – Matt Winterhalter, Northern Kentucky

FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR – Chris Saroff, Indianapolis
PITCHER OF THE YEAR – Blaine Cravens, Saint Joseph’s
PLAYER OF THE YEAR – Patrick Brady, Bellarmine
COACH OF THE YEAR – Deron Spink, Bellarmine

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