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2012 Freedom Conference Baseball All-Conference Teams

Annville, Pa. – The Middle Atlantic Conference has announced the 2012 All-Freedom Conference baseball teams. Dan Fiorito from Manhattanville took home the Player of the Year honors, while his teammate Mike Lyon won Rookie of the Year. Misericordia's Rob Robaczewski earned Pitcher of the Year, and Coach of the Year went to Tim Neiman of DeSales.

After being named the #3 draft prospect in Division III by *Baseball America* prior to the season, Fiorito has spent much of his senior season proving the scouts right. He ranks near the top of the Freedom Conference in most offensive categories, including first in runs scored (48); second in home runs (9), stolen bases (21) and on-base percentage (.497); and fourth in batting average (.415) and slugging percentage (.738). He was named the NCBWA Div. III National Player of the Week in early April after hitting .611 with five homers, eight RBI and 12 runs scored over a four-game span, and was recently named Manhattanville's Co-Male Athlete of the Year.

Lyon stepped onto campus and immediately became the ace of a young Valiant staff, posting a 5-1 record with a 4.63 ERA in a team-leading 46.2 innings as a freshman. He ranks fourth in the conference in fewest hits allowed and fifth in opponent's batting average (.275), and finished the regular season as the only pitcher in the conference with more than 30.0 innings of work to not allow a triple or homer. He has the second-most wins by a Valiant freshman since 1985.

In his first season at Misericordia, Robaczewski made an immediate impact to the starting pitching rotation. He led the Freedom Conference in wins and set a school single-season record in the process while compiling a 10-0 record during the regular season. He led the Freedom in strikeouts with 50 and finished third in earned run average (3.30). His .246 opponent's batting average was second in the Freedom. Robaczewski had three complete games, including two shutouts, while throwing a league-high 62.2 innings. He allowed two runs or less in six of his 10 starts.

Coach Neiman earns Freedom Conference Coach of the Year honors this season after guiding the Bulldogs to the #2 seed in the Freedom Conference Tournament and garnering a 27-12 overall record. It is Neiman's tenth Coach of the Year award and seventh in the Freedom Conference, but it is perhaps Neiman's best season after three starters incurred season ending arm surgeries. He will enter the Freedom Conference Tournament seeking his ninth Freedom Conference title with a career record of 566-319-5 (.639).

First Team

Position	Name	School	Year	Hometown/High School
P	Evan Robaczewski	Misericordia	Junior	Plymouth, PA/Wyoming Valley West
P	Matt Karabin	Misericordia	Junior	Port Reading, NJ/St. Joseph
RP	Trevor Connors	DeSales	Freshman	Sewell, NJ/Washington Township
C	Brian Mauro	DeSales	Junior	Merrick, NY/Kellenberg Memorial
1B	Chris Sweeney	King's	Junior	Mountaintop, PA/Crestwood
2B	Kenny Ridge	DeSales	Senior	Allentown, NJ/Steinert

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3B	Steve Ruch	Wilkes	Freshman	Dallas, PA/Holy Redeemer
SS	Dan Fiorito	Manhattanville	Senior	Yonkers, NY/Fordham Prep
OF	Eric Bohem	King's	Junior	Stewartsville, NJ/Phillipsburg
OF	Kenny Durling	Misericordia	Junior	Kingston, PA/Wyoming Valley
OF	Ethan Moser	DeSales	Senior	Boyertown, PA/Boyertown
DH	Frank LaGuarina	FDU-Florham	Sophomore	Somerset, NJ/Immaculata
UT	Gabe Noyalis	Misericordia	Sophomore	Williamsport, PA/Loyalsock

Second Team

Position	Name	School	Year	Hometown/High School
P	Travis Hughes	DeSales	Senior	Levittown, PA/Conwell-Egan Catholic
P	Colby Pacillo	DeSales	Junior	Lebanon, NJ/Immaculata
RP	Mike Winters	FDU-Florham	Senior	Brick, NJ/Brick Township
C	Johnny LoVetere	Manhattanville	Junior	Southbury, CT/Canterbury
1B	Chris Nardozi	Manhattanville	Senior	Poughkeepsie, NY/Roy C. Ketcham
2B	Brandan Adams	FDU-Florham	Sophomore	Jackson, NJ/Jackson Memorial
2B	Scott Renauro	Eastern	Senior	West Deptford, NJ/West Deptford
3B	Nick Chiovitti	DeSales	Senior	Thomastown, CT/Holy Cross
SS	Carmen Lopresto	Wilkes	Junior	Pittston, PA/Pittston Area
OF	Dan Hrubos	Delaware Valley	Senior	North Cape May, NJK/Lower Cape May
OF	Matt Joiner	FDU-Florham	Senior	Hamilton, NJ/Nottingham
OF	Jeff Slanovec	Misericordia	Senior	Easton, PA/Easton
DH	Dan Pisanchnyn	Wilkes	Freshman	Clarks Summit, PA/Holy Redeemer
UT	Elias Tsouristakis	Manhattanville	Sophomore	New Rochelle, NY/Fordham Prep

Player of the Year: Dan Fiorito, Manhattanville
 Rookie of the Year: Mike Lyon, Manhattanville
 Pitcher of the Year: Evan Robaczewski, Misericordia
 Coach of the Year: Tim Neiman, DeSales