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LSC ANNOUNCES SOFTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

RICHARDSON, Texas -- Lone Star Conference champion Central Oklahoma had five players receive first team all-conference accolades Monday as the LSC softball postseason awards were announced by league officials.

UCO, which claimed its first league championship since 1998 with a perfect run through the postseason tournament last weekend, had five players on the first team All-LSC North Division squad, while South Division champion Angelo State had five and runner-up Abilene Christian four players on the All-LSC South first team.

In all, 70 student-athletes were recognized by the all-conference program, including at least one player from each of the 13 softball teams in the LSC. The awards are voted upon by the league coaches in each division.

UCO also took four of the five individual awards in the North, with catcher Tommie Mitts being named Player of the Year and teammate Alli Blake garnering both Freshman and Pitcher of the Year honors. Genny Honea was named North Division Coach of the Year, having led the Bronchos to a school-record 39 wins thus far.

Mitts and Blake were both first team all-conference picks for UCO, along with second baseman Lindsay Tripp, center fielder Danielle Blackwell and utility player Stacy Walden.

In addition to UCO's five first-teamers, Midwestern State was represented on the first team by pitcher Brittany Willson, first baseman Courtney Veal, third baseman Sarah Huddleston and designated player Kristen Stonecipher.

Other first-team picks in the North were shortstop Emily McNamara and outfielder Kylie Ferguson of Southeastern Oklahoma, outfielder Candace Brown from Southwestern Oklahoma and shortstop Shae Moore of Northeastern State.

NSU pitcher India Williamson earned Newcomer of the Year acclaim to round out the individual awards in the North Division.

Abilene Christian first baseman Katie Bryan was hailed as South Division Player of the Year, and she was joined by teammates Ashley Whittenberg (catcher), Valerie Malkinson (third baseman) and Jade Wilson (outfielder) as first team All-LSC South picks for the Wildcats. ACU coach Chantiel Wilson also was recognized as South Division Coach of the Year after guiding her team to a school-record 13 wins in divisional play.

South champion ASU had five first team all-conference picks, including utility player Christel Neal, who also was named Freshman of the Year. Neal was joined on the first team by ASU's pitcher Brittney Cargill, second baseman Dionne Lopez, shortstop Stephanie Fofi and outfielder Andrea Payan.

Texas A&M-Kingsville junior Jennifer DeMay was named South Division Pitcher of the Year, while Eastern New Mexico designated player Tori Picazo was voted the division's Newcomer of the Year.

DeMay and Picazo also were on the South first team, along with pitcher Lindsey Russ-Keller of Texas Woman's and outfielder Amy Braquet of Tarleton State.

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2005 LSC SOFTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE AWARDS

NORTH DIVISION -- FIRST TEAM

<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Player</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
P	Alli Blake	Central Oklahoma	Fr.	Oklahoma City, Okla.
P	Brittany Willson	Midwestern State	Jr.	Burkburnett, Texas
C	Tommie Mitts	Central Oklahoma	Sr.	Skiatook, Okla.
1B	Courtney Veal	Midwestern State	Sr.	Wichita Falls, Texas
2B	Lindsay Tripp	Central Oklahoma	Jr.	Edmond, Okla.
3B	Sarah Huddleston	Midwestern State	Jr.	Norman, Okla.
SS	Emily McNamara	Southeastern Oklahoma	Jr.	North St. Paul, Minn.
SS	Shae Moore	Northeastern State	So.	Oktaha, Okla.
OF	Candace Brown	Southwestern Oklahoma	Jr.	Oklahoma City, Okla.
OF	Danielle Blackwell	Central Oklahoma	Jr.	Sand Springs, Okla.
OF	Kylie Ferguson	Southeastern Oklahoma	So.	Ringling, Okla.
DP	Kristen Stonecipher	Midwestern State	Fr.	Flower Mound, Texas
UTIL	Stacy Walden	Central Oklahoma	So.	Bethany, Okla.

NORTH DIVISION -- SECOND TEAM

<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Player</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
P	India Williamson	Northeastern State	So.	Skiatook, Okla.
P	Krystal Mills	Central Oklahoma	So.	Norman, Okla.
P	Jenna Deweber	Midwestern State	Jr.	Bowie, Texas
P	Christina Cearley	Southeastern Oklahoma	Jr.	Tulsa, Okla.
C	Racheal Jackson	Midwestern State	So.	Rowlett, Texas
1B	Karah McFatter	East Central	Sr.	Mansfield, Texas
2B	Jessica Batdorf	Northeastern State	So.	Pawhuska, Okla.
3B	Brooke Smith	Northeastern State	Fr.	Pryor, Okla.
SS	Lindsey Popkess	Southwestern Oklahoma	Fr.	Broken Arrow, Okla.
OF	Melinda Farrow	Cameron	Jr.	Binger, Okla.
OF	Marcy Brewer	East Central	Sr.	Washington, Okla.
OF	Kristy Seachris	Northeastern State	Jr.	Depew, Okla.
UTIL	Beth Farrar	Southeastern Oklahoma	So.	Broken Arrow, Okla.

NORTH DIVISION -- HONORABLE MENTION

Central Oklahoma: Lauren Moore, Sr., 1B; Lindsay Mitchell, Jr., OF; **East Central:** Courtney McCarty, Sr., OF;
Midwestern State: Amiee Duke, Sr., OF; **Northeastern State:** Vanessa Cook, Fr., C; Krystal Sanders, Sr., 1B;
Southeastern Oklahoma: Rachael Sill, Fr., 2B; Kristin McNeese, Jr., 3B; Rachel Lynn, Fr., OF.

NORTH DIVISION -- SPECIAL AWARDS

Player of the Year: Tommie Mitts, Central Oklahoma
Pitcher of the Year: Alli Blake, Central Oklahoma
Freshman of the Year: Alli Blake, Central Oklahoma
Newcomer of the Year: India Williamson, Northeastern State
Coach of the Year: Genny Honea, Central Oklahoma



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SOUTH DIVISION -- FIRST TEAM

<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Player</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
P	Jennifer DeMay	Texas A&M-Kingsville	Jr.	El Paso, Texas
P	Lindsey Russ-Keller	Texas Woman's	So.	Dickinson, Texas
P	Brittney Cargill	Angelo State	Fr.	Garland, Texas
C	Ashley Whittenberg	Abilene Christian	Sr.	Rio Rancho, N.M.
1B	Katie Bryan	Abilene Christian	Sr.	Abilene, Texas
2B	Dionne Lopez	Angelo State	So.	Bonita, Calif.
3B	Valerie Malikinson	Abilene Christian	Sr.	San Mateo, Calif.
SS	Stephanie Fofi	Angelo State	Sr.	Las Vegas, Nev.
OF	Jade Wilson	Abilene Christian	Jr.	Downey, Calif.
OF	Andrea Payan	Angelo State	Sr.	Yuma, Ariz.
OF	Amy Braquet	Tarleton State	Jr.	Willis, Texas
DP	Tori Picazo	Eastern New Mexico	So.	McKinney, Texas
UTIL	Christel Neal	Angelo State	Fr.	Tacoma, Wash.

SOUTH DIVISION -- SECOND TEAM

<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Player</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Hometown</i>
P	Amy Bristow	Tarleton State	Sr.	Rowlett, Texas
P	Jennifer Leal	Abilene Christian	Jr.	Missouri City, Texas
C	Brynn Kamenicky	Tarleton State	Jr.	North Richland Hills, Texas
1B	Brittney Cargill	Angelo State	Fr.	Garland, Texas
2B	Kristin Alvarado	Abilene Christian	Sr.	Morgan Hill, Calif.
3B	Brandie Row	Tarleton State	Sr.	Midland, Texas
SS	Amanda Smith	Tarleton State	Jr.	Burleson, Texas
OF	Amber Nevels	Texas A&M-Kingsville	Sr.	Austin, Texas
OF	Christina Helland	Eastern New Mexico	Fr.	Albuquerque, N.M.
OF	Amanda Emory	Texas Woman's	So.	Sherman, Texas
DP	Lauren Gustartis	Texas Woman's	Sr.	Bellaire, Texas
DP	Jessica Stroud	Angelo State	Jr.	Holland, Texas
UTIL	Kassie Rezza	Texas A&M-Kingsville	Jr.	Pasadena, Texas

SOUTH DIVISION -- HONORABLE MENTION

Angelo State: Julia Monsivais, Jr., C; Whitney Meeks, Fr., OF;

Eastern New Mexico: Elizabeth Whipkey, Fr., 1B; Jessica Nocas, Jr., SS;

Tarleton State: Kristin Williams, Sr., 2B; Jennifer Johnson, So., UTIL;

Texas A&M-Kingsville: Julia Canales, Fr., C; Lorissa Melvin, Sr., 1B; Kenna Gipson, Jr., SS.

SOUTH DIVISION -- SPECIAL AWARDS

Player of the Year: Katie Bryan, Abilene Christian

Pitcher of the Year: Jennifer DeMay, Texas A&M-Kingsville

Freshman of the Year: Christel Neal, Angelo State

Newcomer of the Year: Tori Picazo, Eastern New Mexico

Coach of the Year: Chantiel Wilson, Abilene Christian