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Allegheny, Washington and Jefferson, and Western Reserve have each had three men named to the All-Presidents' Athletic Conference baseball team for 1971. The squad was picked last week by vote of the league coaches.

Bethany and Thiel each had two selections, while Case Tech landed one berth. The fourteen man team included seven seniors, one junior, and six sophomores. Six of the men chosen were unanimous choices of the coaches.

Catching honors went to Mike Whetsel, senior, from Western Reserve and Ron Levea, junior, of Allegheny. Whetsel was a unanimous choice. The three top league pitchers named were Bill Hartman, sophomore, of Washington and Jefferson; Denny Robinson, senior, of Bethany; and Jack Bixby, sophomore, of Case Tech.

Selected in the infield were Larry Sadler, sophomore, of Bethany, first base; Steve Grace, sophomore, Thiel, second base; Steve Lanier, sophomore, Allegheny, third base; Dale McGar, senior, Washington and Jefferson, shortstop; and Gene Gaydos, senior, Western Reserve, utility. Lanier and McGar were unanimous choices.

Outfielders on the all-star team included Mike Keister, senior, Allegheny, left field; Angelo Valenti, senior, Western Reserve, center field; Claire McCloy, sophomore, Washington and Jefferson, right field; and Bill Antil, senior, Thiel, utility. Valenti and McCloy were unanimous selections.

Honorable mention from the coaches went to Mike Hicks of Bethany, Jerry Palmer of Washington and Jefferson, Dick Greenbaum of Allegheny, Kevin Meistickle of Thiel,

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Tom Yochim of Case Tech, and Regis Scafe of Western Reserve.

1971 ALL-PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE BASEBALL TEAM

<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Class</u>
C	*Mike Whetsel	Reserve	Senior
C	Ron Levea	Allegheny	Junior
P	Bill Hartman	W & J	Sophomore
P	Danny Robinson	Bethany	Senior
P	Jack Bixby	Case	Sophomore
1B	*Larry Sadler	Bethany	Sophomore
2B	Steve Grace *	Thiel	Sophomore
3B	*Steve Lanier	Allegheny	Sophomore
SS	*Dale McGar	W & J	Senior
Util	Gene Gaydos	Reserve	Senior
LF	Mike Keister	Allegheny	Senior
CF	*Angelo Valenti	Reserve	Senior
RF	*Claire McCloy	W & J	Sophomore
Util	Bill Antil *	Thiel	Senior

*Indicates unanimous selections

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Allegheny College split a season-ending doubleheader to win the 1971 Presidents' Athletic Conference baseball crown. Washington and Jefferson had also been in contention but would have had to take both games to finish on top. Allegheny finished with an 8-4 conference mark compared to W & J's 7-5 league record.

Other places in the standings had been secured earlier in the season. Bethany finished third at 6-5, Case Tech finished fourth at 6-6, Western Reserve ended in sixth with 6-7, and Thiel claimed the dubious distinction of the cellar with a 4-10 mark.

League batting honors went to Steve Lanier of Allegheny, who hit at a .421 clip over twelve games. Top honors in the pitching department went to Case Tech's Jack Bixby who posted an earned run average of 0.98 for the season in eight games. His won-lost record was 2-2.

1971 FINAL PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE BASEBALL STANDINGS

	Conference			Full Season	
	W	L	Pct.	W	L
Allegheny	8	4	.667		
Washington and Jefferson	7	5	.583	8	9
Bethany	6	5	.545	6	9
Case Tech	6	6	.500	7	6
Western Reserve	6	7	.461	6	9
Thiel	4	10	.286	4	10

Results - May 18 Allegheny 10, Hiram 9
 May 20 *Allegheny at Washington and Jefferson, cancelled (final exams)
 May 22 *Washington and Jefferson 11, Allegheny 6
 *Allegheny 9, Washington and Jefferson 3

PRESIDENTS' ATHLETIC CONFERENCE
FINAL BASEBALL STATISTICS
May 31, 1971

TEAM BATTING

	<u>G</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
Bethany	11	330	89	68	57	16	0	9	.270
Allegheny	12	339	90	77	66	10	5	2	.265
Case Tech	12	355	94	60	42	8	2	2	.264
Thiel	14	420	83	51	33	9	5	0	.197

TEAM PITCHING

	<u>G</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ERA</u>
Bethany	11	85	88	52	25	33	72	2.65
Case Tech	12	91	76	45	27	32	65	2.68
Thiel	14	105 1/3	113	85	42	65	86	3.60
Allegheny	12	86	87	55	38	28	82	3.90

BATTING LEADERS

	<u>G</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>Avg.</u>
Steve Lanier (A)	12	38	16	13	17	2	3	1	.421
Larry Sadler (B)	11	38	15	13	10	3	0	3	.394
Mike Keister (A)	11	39	14	11	6	0	0	0	.359
John Gross (CT)	12	43	15	10	9	3	1	1	.349
Tom Yochim (CT)	12	43	15	11	1	2	0	0	.349
Jack Leather (CT)	12	38	13	9	5	2	0	0	.342
Mark Hicks (B)	10	33	11	12	8	1	0	1	.333
Doug Williamson (T)	12	33	11	6	6	1	0	0	.333

PITCHING LEADERS

	<u>G</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>Record</u>
Jack Bixby (CT)	8	36 2/3	26	11	4	8	24	0.98	2-2
Denny Robinson (B)	6	37	37	12	7	9	39	1.70	3-2
Kevin Meistickle (T)	7	44 2/3	45	31	15	18	30	2.29	3-3
Don Stephan (CT)	5	25	19	13	7	7	18	2.52	2-1
Steve Vitchner (B)	5	30		14	9	9	23	2.70	2-1
Bob Antil (T)	5	25 2/3	28	20	8	12	25	2.77	1-2
Paul Pudlowski (A)	6	37 1/3	36	21	13	18	35	3.13	4-1

Washington and Jefferson and Western Reserve not reporting.