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PEPPERDINE SWEEPS INDIVIDUAL HONORS WHILE SAN FRANCISCO'S GIARRATANO EARNS FIRST COACH OF THE YEAR HONOR

Pepperdine swept the West Coast Conference individual awards for the first time in program history as sophomore catcher Chad Tracy was named WCC Player of the Year, junior left-hander Paul Coleman was named WCC Pitcher of the Year, and right-hander Barry Enright was named WCC Freshman of the Year. San Francisco's Nino Giarratano was named WCC Coach of the Year for the first time in his seven-year career on the Hilltop after guiding the Dons to a record-breaking season.

Tracy, a unanimous All-WCC first team selection, led a Pepperdine team that claimed its seventh straight WCC Division title and posted a conference-best 21-9 record in WCC play. The Claremont, Calif. native batted .370 during conference games in 2005, tops amongst WCC catchers and fourth overall in conference play. Tracy led the conference with 44 hits, 75 total bases, and a .630 slugging percentage. He also ranked second in the WCC with 27 RBI, tied for third with six homeruns, was fourth in doubles with 11, ranked sixth with a .435 on-base percentage, and was ninth in run scored with 23.

Coleman, also a unanimous All-WCC first team selection, was masterful for the Waves on the mound in 2005. The Canyon Lake, Calif. native posted a 6-1 record in conference play, while registering an impressive 2.39 ERA and holding opponents to a conference-low .192 batting average. Coleman struck out 50 batters in 60.1 innings of work, posted one complete-game shutout, and held opponents to just 41 hits during the conference season. Coleman's six wins in WCC play ranked second in the conference.

Enright became the 10th Pepperdine player to earn Freshman of the Year honors after leading the conference with a perfect 8-0 record in his rookie campaign. The Stockton, Calif. native posted a 3.36 ERA in 10 starts in WCC play. In questionably the biggest game of his young career, Enright led Pepperdine to a win over San Francisco to claim the West Division title in the last game of the conference regular season.

Giarratano became just the second San Francisco head coach, and the first since 1971, to be named Coach of the Year after leading the Dons to a program-record 38 overall wins and a program-record 20 wins in conference play. Giarratano returned no all-conference players from a year ago heading into the 2005 season, but managed to complete the most successful season in school history with a team that was picked to finish sixth. Under Giarratano's guidance, the Dons posted a conference-best 38-18 overall record.

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WCC/RAWLINGS ALL-CONFERENCE 2005 BASEBALL TEAM

PLAYER OF THE YEAR:
Chad Tracy, Pepperdine

PITCHER OF THE YEAR:
Paul Coleman, Pepperdine

FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR:
Barry Enright, Pepperdine

COACH OF THE YEAR:
Nino Giarratano, San Francisco

FIRST TEAM	SCHOOL	POS	YR	HOMETOWN
Chad Tracy [#]	Pepperdine	C	SO	Claremont, Calif.
Bryan Byrne ^{**}	Saint Mary's	1B	JR	Danville, Calif.
Scott Campbell	Gonzaga	2B	SO	Auckland, N.Z.
Delaney Gallagher	Saint Mary's	3B	JR	Palisades, Calif.
Kevin Drever	Santa Clara	SS	JR	Salinas, Calif.
Shane Buschini [#]	San Diego	OF	SO	San Ramon, Calif.
Sam Carter	Saint Mary's	OF	JR	Concord, Calif.
Chris Pettit [#]	Loyola Marymount	OF	JR	San Dimas, Calif.
Scott Cousins [#]	San Francisco	UT	SO	Reno, Nev.
Steve Kleen ^{**}	Pepperdine	UT	SR	Menifee, Calif.
Paul Coleman [#]	Pepperdine	P	JR	Canyon Lake, Calif.
Nick Pereira [#]	San Francisco	P	SR	Cupertino, Calif.
Anthony Rea	Santa Clara	P	SR	Palo Alto, Calif.

SECOND TEAM

Kiel Thibault [*]	Gonzaga	C	JR	Jerome, Idaho
Bobby Carlson [*]	Gonzaga	1B	JR	Woodinville, Wash.
Eric Farris	Loyola Marymount	2B	FR	Chandler, Ariz.
Darin Holcomb	Gonzaga	3B	FR	Spokane, Wash.
Danny Worth	Pepperdine	SS	FR	Valencia, Calif.
James Cooper	Loyola Marymount	OF	JR	Los Angeles, Calif.
Stefan Gartrell	San Francisco	OF	JR	San Francisco, Calif.
Mike Sansoe	Saint Mary's	OF	SR	Walnut Creek, Calif.
Jordan Abruzzo	San Diego	DH	SO	El Cajon, Calif.
Cy Donald	San Francisco	DH	SR	Mililani, Hawaii
Matt Couch	San Diego	P	FR	Sacramento, Calif.
Barry Enright	Pepperdine	P	FR	Stockton, Calif.
Jeff Stevens	Loyola Marymount	P	JR	Moraga, Calif.

**Previous Times an All-WCC First Team Pick*

#Unanimous Selection

HONORABLE MENTION

GONZAGA: Patrick Donovan, Josh Monroe

LOYOLA MARYMOUNT: Sean Dovel, Joe Frazee, Evan Shahak

PEPPERDINE: Donald Brown, Kea Kometani, Adrian Ortiz, David Uribes

PORTLAND: Matthew Peters, Jesse Rodgers, Travis Vettors

SAINT MARY'S: Adam Hicks

SAN DIEGO: Randy Curtis, Matt Falk, Jamie Hesselgesser, Keoni Ruth, Justin Snyder

SAN FRANCISCO: Royce Fukuroku, Tavo Hall, Patrick McGuigan, Luke Sommer

SANTA CLARA: Eric Newton, Kris Watts