



NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BASEBALL WRITERS ASSOCIATION

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NCBWA ANNOUNCES DIVISION III PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

CHICAGO – The National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA) has named Alvernia College shortstop Todd Meyer (Sr., York, Pa.) its 2002 NCAA Division III “Player of the Year” and Aurora University pitcher Josh Paddock (Sr., Covington, Ill.) its 2002 NCAA Division III “Pitcher of the Year.” Meyer was an American Baseball Coaches Association first-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-Mid-Atlantic Region, Pennsylvania Athletic Conference’s “player and of the year,” as well as “pitcher of the year.” He batted .556 with 73 runs scored, 25 home runs and 102 RBI and became the eleventh player in NCAA Division III to hit four home runs in a game (vs. Wilmington College in 5 innings). Paddock was an American Baseball Coaches Association third-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-Central Region and first-team All-Northern Illinois-Iowa Conference. He went 8-0 with a 0.98 earned run average, four complete games and two shutouts in 64.1 innings pitched, while opponents batted just .192 against him.

Position Player Voting

Todd Meyer (4)	43
Jay Coakley (2)	40
Vinnie Rottino	30
Jose Cortez	25
John Kubachka	20
Jason Lensmeyer	20
Travis Teeter	20
Dan Glies	18

National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association NCAA Division III “2003 Regional Players of the Year”

New England Region

John Kubachka, First Base

Senior, Eastern Connecticut State University

Glastonbury, Conn. (Xavier)

American Baseball Coaches Association second-team All-American...First team All-Little East Conference, Little East Conference “player of the year” and first-team All-New England...batted .413 (final regular season) and conference leader in runs scored (50), base hits (66), doubles (21), home runs (13) and RBI (60)...named conference player of the week once.

New York Region

Travis Teeter, OF/P

Senior, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Cohoes, N.Y.

American Baseball Coaches Association first-team All-American and ABCA first-team All-New York Region...batted .404 with five home runs and 38 RBI...went 6-2 as a pitcher with a 3.86 ERA and 75 strikeouts in 56 innings pitched.

Mid-Atlantic Region

Todd Meyer, Shortstop
Senior, Alvernia College
York, Pa.

American Baseball Coaches Association first-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-Mid-Atlantic Region, Pennsylvania Athletic Conference's "player and of the year," as well as "pitcher of the year"...batted .556 with 73 runs scored, 25 home runs and 102 RBI...became the eleventh player in NCAA Division III to hit four home runs in a game (vs. Wilmington College in 5 innings).

South Region

Dan Glies, Outfielder
Junior, Methodist College
Pittsburgh, Pa. (North Hills)

American Baseball Coaches Association second-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-South Region, Dixie Conference "player of the year," Dixie Conference Baseball Tournament "most valuable"...conference leader in both batting average (.456) and on base percentage...collected 77 base hits, 16 doubles, three triples and six home runs...tied a school record with nine consecutive hits

Mideast Region

Jay Coakley, Catcher,
Senior, Marietta College
Newark, Ohio (Tri-Valley)

American Baseball Coaches Association first-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-Mideast Region and first-team All-Ohio Athletic Conference...batted .459 with 55 runs scored, 14 doubles, 13 home runs, 64 RBI, five stolen bases and an .867 slugging percentage,

Midwest Region

Vinnie Rottino, Shortstop
Wisconsin-La Crosse

American Baseball Coaches Association first-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-Midwest Region, first-team All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Association and WIAC "Player of the Year"...batted .410 with 57 runs scored, 19 doubles, 15 home runs, 50 RBI and a .759 slugging percentage.

Central Region

Jason Lensmeyer, Catcher/Designated Hitter
Senior, Carthage College
Kellnersville, Wis. (Reedsville)

American Baseball Coaches Association first-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-Central Region and College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin "player of the year"...led the league in batting (.424), base hits (75), home runs (13), total bases (128), and RBI (55)...compiled a .723 slugging percentage and a .458 on-base percentage.

West Region

Jose Cortez, Catcher/First Base
Junior, Pomona-Pitzer College

American Baseball Coaches Association first-team All-American...Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference “player of the year”...batted .510 with 55 runs scored, 74 base hits, 23 doubles, 16 home runs, 65 RBI, 147 total bases, 1.014 slugging percentage and 39 walks.

Pitcher Voting

Josh Paddock	38
Bill Verbrick (4)	34
Jim Deters	29
Eric Haynoski	28
Mike Kelly (2)	25
Ryan Adams	22
Mike Oldham	22
Kyle Johnson	18

National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association NCAA Division III “2003 Regional Pitchers of the Year”

New England Region

Ryan Adams, Pitcher
Senior, University of Southern Maine
Sanford, Maine

First team All-Little East Conference and first-team All-New England...compiled a 6-2 mark with a 0.83 earned run average in 11 appearances and eight starts...opponents batted just .212 against him...conference pitcher of the week once.

New York Region

Kyle Johnson, Pitcher
Junior, Cortland State

American Baseball Coaches Association first-team All-New York Region and first-team State University of New York Athletic Conference...went 8-0 with a 2.82 earned run average in nine appearances...struck out 58 batters and 60.2 innings pitched

Mid-Atlantic Region

Eric Haynoski, Pitcher
Junior, University of Pittsburgh-Bradford
Bradford, Pa.

American Baseball Coaches Association second-team All-Mid-Atlantic Region and Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference’s “pitcher of the year”...went 10-1 with a 1.46 earned run average and 68 strikeouts...opponents batted just .194 against him.

South Region

Mike Oldham, Pitcher
Sophomore, Methodist College
Sanford, N.C. (Lee County)

American Baseball Coaches Association third-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-South Region, first-team All-Dixie Conference...went 10-1 with a 2.70 earned run average in 13 appearances and 12 starts.

Mideast Region

Jim Deters, Pitcher
Freshman, Calvin College

Portage, Mich. (Kalamazoo Christian)

First-team All-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and first-ever MIAA freshman to be named the league MVP...went 10-1 with a 2.59 earned run average in 15 appearances and nine starts...struck out 95 batters in 76.1 innings pitched...twice named MIAA “pitcher of the week.”

Midwest Region

Bill Verbrick, Pitcher

Wisconsin-Stevens Point

American Baseball Coaches Association second-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-Midwest Region, first-team All-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Association and WIAC “Pitcher of the Year”...went 10-2 with a 3.09 earned run average in 15 appearances and 12 starts...struck out 115 batters in 102.0 innings pitched...opponents batted just .214 against him.

Central Region

Josh Paddock, Pitcher

Senior, Aurora University

Covington, Ill.

American Baseball Coaches Association third-team All-American, ABCA first-team All-Central Region, first-team All-Northern Illinois-Iowa Conference...went 8-0 with a 0.98 earned run average, four complete games and two shutouts in 64.1 innings pitched...opponents batted just .192 against him.

West Region

Mike Kelly, Outfielder

Junior Trinity University

Naperville, Ill. (Aurora Waubonise Valley)

Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference “pitcher of the year” with an 8-0 record and a SCAC-record 1.18 earned run average in 14 appearances and 10 starts...opponents batted just .173 against him.

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