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NCBWA NAMES MID-SEASON STOPPER OF THE YEAR WATCH LIST

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (NCBWA) --- Fifty-one players have been named to the mid-season watch list for the ninth annual National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Stopper of the Year Award, given to the top relief pitcher in NCAA Division I baseball, as announced by the association on Tuesday.

National saves leader **Tyler Rogers**, a senior from Austin Peay, Oregon junior **Jimmie Sherfy**, a 2012 Stopper of the Year Award finalist, and Cal State Fullerton junior **Michael Lorenzen** lead the list with six weeks remaining in the regular season. Rogers has 14 saves as of April 22. Sherfy and Lorenzen, along with Florida Atlantic senior **Hugh Adams**, Jacksonville State sophomore **Travis Stout**, Mississippi State sophomore **Jonathan Holder** and South Carolina senior **Tyler Webb**, have 12 saves each.

The Southeastern Conference leads the way with eight players each on this year's mid-season list, while the Atlantic Coast, Pacific 12, Ohio Valley and Southern Conferences have four pitchers each on the list.

Nominations for the NCBWA Stopper of the Year Award were made by baseball sports information/media relations contacts. At the conclusion of the regular season, the Division I national saves leader and four other relief pitching standouts will be selected as finalists and released Wednesday, June 5, prior to start of NCAA Super Regional tournament competition.

The NCBWA's All-America Committee will select the winner, with this year's recipient to be announced during the 2013 College World Series.

Texas hurler J. Brent Cox won the inaugural Stopper of the Year Award in 2005, with Don Cxyz of Kansas claiming the honor in 2006 and Luke Prihoda of Sam Houston State winning it in 2007. Georgia's Joshua Fields topped the field in 2008, San Diego State's Addison Reed grabbed the honor in 2009 and Texas' Chance Ruffin earned the honor in 2010. Texas' Corey Knebel won in 2011 with Southeastern Louisiana's Stefan Lopez picking up the honor in 2012. Knebel is on the 2013 watch list.

The NCBWA, founded in 1962, presents the Dick Howser Trophy to the nation's top player. It also selects All-America Teams for all Divisions, a Division I Freshman All-American team, Division I and III Players of the Week, Division I District Players of the Year and Division III Players of the Year.

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2013 NCBWA Stopper of the Year Mid-Season Watch List

<u>Pitcher</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Yr.</u>
Hugh Adams	Florida Atlantic	Sr.
Kyle Bartsch	South Alabama	Sr.
David Berg	UCLA	So.
Robby Coles	Florida State	Jr.
Ryan Connolly	Coastal Carolina	Sr.
Chris Cotton	LSU	Sr.
Kyle Crockett	Virginia	Jr.
Jordan Dailey	Bethune-Cookman	Sr.
Josh Davis	Belmont	Sr.
Trace Dempsey	Ohio State	So.
Bubba Derby	San Diego State	Fr.
Jacob Dorris	Texas A&M-Corpus Christi	So.
Jacob Evans	Oklahoma	Fr.
Eric Eck	Wofford	Jr.
Michael Fain	Nevada	Fr.
Trevor Frank	UC Riverside	Sr.
Ian Gibaut	Tulane	Fr.
Ronnie Glenn	Penn	So.
Trevor Gott	Kentucky	Jr.
Gavin Guarrera	NC Central	Sr.
Preston Hatcher	Western Carolina	Sr.
Matt Hicks	Louisiana-Lafayette	Jr.
Dylan Hills	Southeastern Louisiana	Jr.
Jonathan Holder	Mississippi State	So.
Brett Huber	Mississippi	Sr.
Skylar Hunter	The Citadel	Fr.
Andrew Istler	Duke	So.
Jason Jester	Texas A&M	Jr.
Corey Knebel	Texas	Jr.
Zech Lemond	Rice	So.
Michael Lorenzen	Cal State Fullerton	Jr.
Seth Lucio	Tennessee Tech	So.
Johnny Magliozzi	Florida	So.
Zach Mawson	Rider	So.
Sutter McLoughlin	Sacramento State	Fr.
Brian Miller	Vanderbilt	So.
Eric Nedeljkovic	Miami (Fla.)	Sr.
Jordan Piché	Kansas	Jr.
Reed Reilly	Cal Poly	So.
Tyler Rogers	Austin Peay	Sr.
Scott Schultz	Oregon State	Jr.
Jimmie Sherfy	Oregon	Jr.
Dan Slania	Notre Dame	Jr.
Travis Stout	Jacksonville State	So.
Michael Swanner	Pepperdine	Jr.
Ryan Thompson	Campbell	Jr.
Mathew Troupe	Arizona	So.
Jonathan Van Eaton	Memphis	Jr.
Tyler Webb	South Carolina	Sr.
Eric Yardley	Seattle	Sr.
Nate Young	Elon	Sr.