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OAC Announces 2001 Women's Soccer Special Awards and All-OAC Teams

Wilmington's Spirk Named OAC Coach of the Year

Wilmington 10th-year Head Coach **Steve Spirk** has been named the 2001 OAC Coach of the Year, as selected by his peers. Spirk led the Quakers to their first OAC regular season title this season.

A year ago, Spirk led the Quakers to their first-ever OAC Tournament title and an appearance in the NCAA Division III "Sweet 16". Wilmington will look to defend its OAC Tournament title this week.

**** This is the first year the OAC is presenting Players of the Year by position.

Ohio Northern's Swabb Named OAC Midfielder of the Year

Ohio Northern senior **Melissa Swabb (Laura/Milton Union)** has been chosen by the league coaches as the 2001 OAC Midfielder of the Year. Swabb led the Conference in points (37-2.31 ppg), goals (14-0.88 gpg) and assists (9-0.56 apg) this year.

For her career Swabb ranks fifth on ONU's all-time goals list with 43, is second in assists with 37 and is fourth in scoring with 123 career points. Her 123 points rank 13th all-time in OAC history and her 37 assists are ninth all-time.

Wilmington's Gose and JCU's Marcelis Named OAC Co-Defensive Players of the Year

Wilmington senior defender **Becky Gose (Maineville/Kings)** and John Carroll senior defender **Amy Marcelis (Delran, NJ/Holy Cross)** have been chosen by the league coaches as the 2001 Co-Defensive Players of the Year.

Gose won her second straight OAC Defensive Player of the Year award in 2001 and is a two-time All-OAC First-Team selection and . She anchored Wilmington's defense, which was fourth in the OAC with a 1.37 goals-against average.

Marcelis, a two-time All-OAC First Team choice, led the Blue Streak defense to a league leading 0.90 GAA and nine shutouts. Marcelis was also a 1999 All-OAC Second-Team selection.

Wilmington's Mills and Mount Union's Blaser Named OAC Co-Forwards of the Year

Wilmington sophomore **Carrie Mills (Miamisburg)** and Mount Union senior **Becky Blaser (Alliance)** have been chosen by the league coaches as the 2001 Co-Forwards of the Year.

Mills was second in the Conference in points (23-1.53 ppg) and second in goals (11-0.73 gpg). She anchored Wilmington's offense, which was second in the OAC with 2.67 goals per game.

Blaser, a four-time All-OAC selection, was fifth in the OAC in points (23-1.44 ppg) and second in goals (10-0.63).

Baldwin-Wallace's Avram Named OAC Goalkeeper of the Year

Baldwin-Wallace sophomore **Amanda Avram (Kirtland/Villa Angela St. Joseph)** has been chosen by the league coaches as the 2001 Goalkeeper of the Year.

Avram led the Conference with 225 saves (12.50 spg) and led the Yellow Jackets with three shutouts. Avram played in 18 games and 1695 total minutes. She is also ranked in the top-10 nationally in saves per game.

Avram is a two-time All-OAC choice.



2001 All-OAC Women's Soccer Team

Selected by the league coaches



First Team

<u>Position</u>	<u>Player, School</u>	<u>Yr.</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
Goalkeeper	Amanda Avram, Baldwin-Wallace #	So.	Kirtland (Villa Angela St. Joseph)
Defenders	Mary Floyd, Muskingum #	Sr.	Irwin, PA/Penn-Trafford
	Becky Gose, Wilmington *	Sr.	Maineville/Kings
	Allison Hoolihan, Otterbein +	Jr.	Worthington/Thomas Worthington
	Amy Lee, Capital #	Jr.	Pickerington
	Amy Marcelis, John Carroll *%	Sr.	Delran, NJ/Holy Cross
Midfielders	Jill Comerford, John Carroll *~	Sr.	Hamburg, NY/Frontier Central
	Meghan McMullen, Wilmington	Sr.	Springboro
	Melissa Swabb, Ohio Northern*=	Sr.	Laura/Milton-Union
Forwards	Becky Blaser, Mount Union +%~	Sr.	Alliance
	Kristin Keen, Otterbein +	Jr.	Sunbury/Big Walnut
	Carrie Mills, Wilmington	So.	Miamsiburg
	Jen Seminerio, Heidelberg #	Jr.	Westerville/North

Second Team

Goalkeeper	Julia Rose, Heidelberg +	Jr.	Wheeling, WV/Linsly
Defenders	Sarah Bryan, John Carroll*	So.	Swanton/St. Ursula
	Erica Erb, Ohio Northern	So.	Wapakoneta
	Amber Oliver, Marietta	Sr.	Point Pleasant, WV
	Julie White, Muskingum	Sr.	New Concord/John Glenn
	Amanda Wilson, Wilmington	Jr.	Miamisburg
Midfielders	Carrie Coon, Mount Union	Jr.	Copley
	Brook Cotrell, Wilmington	So.	Urbana/Northwestern
	Krissi Hall, Capital +~	Sr.	Columbus/Upper Arlington
Forwards	Molly Thornton, Heidelberg +%	Jr.	Cincinnati/Seton
	Melissa Husson, Ohio Northern	Jr.	Scott Depot, WV/Winfield
	Kortney Middleton, Wilmington	Jr.	Dayton/Carroll
	Laura Smolinski, Ohio Northern	Fr.	Concord/Mentor

Honorable Mention

Goalkeepers	Kate Dobberstein, Marietta	Jr.	Buckhannon, WV
	Michelle Cook, Otterbein	Sr.	Reynoldsburg
Defenders	Jessica Main, Otterbein	So.	Tremont City/North Western
	Katie Prophater, Heidelberg *&	Sr.	Columbus/Upper Arlington
	Lisa Przepyszny, Baldwin-Wallace	So.	Erie, PA/Mercyhurst Prep
	Tarah Ross, Capital*	So.	Baltimore/Liberty Union
	Rebecca Shoemaker, Muskingum	Sr.	Huber Hts./Wayne
	Amanda Story, Ohio Northern	So.	Springfield/Kenton Ridge
Midfielders	Kim Felosky, John Carroll #	Jr.	Pittsford, NY/Pittsford Mendon
	Megan Tucker, Marietta	Sr.	Shoreview/Roseview Area
	Katy Witt, Otterbein	So.	Sidney
Forwards	Jessica Gordon, Mount Union	So.	Uniontown/Lake
	Jackie Orth, Mount Union	So.	Cleveland/Holy Name
	Hayley Pelz, Otterbein *~	Sr.	Cincinnati/Princeton
	Rachel Podvin, Capital	So.	West Chester/Lakota West

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