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MEN'S SQUASH All-Conference - Feb. 22, 2008

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INAUGURAL MEN'S SQUASH ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM ANNOUNCED

Trinity Sweeps Individual Postseason Honors

HADLEY, Mass. - Trinity College sophomore Baset Chaudhry (Lahore, Pakistan) has been named the 2008 NESCAC Men's Squash Player of the Year, while freshman teammate Andres Vargas Heredina (Bogota, Columbia) was named the Rookie of the Year, as determined by the conference coaches. The pair were a part of a Bantam squad that cruised to the 2008 NESCAC Men's Squash title earlier this month, the second NESCAC crown in a row for Trinity.

Chaudhry was one of three Bantams named to the inaugural NESCAC Men's Squash All-Conference Team, which is comprised of 10 individuals. Joining Chaudhry from Trinity were juniors Gustav Detter (Malmoe, Sweden) and Manek Mathur (Mumbai, India). Chaudhry and Detter have both posted undefeated records this season, going 9-0 and 12-0, respectively, while Mathur is 14-1, as the three helped Trinity win its 10th-consecutive Potter Trophy in the College Squash Association (CSA) National Team Championship. In his first season with the Bantams, Rookie of the Year Vargas owned a 14-1 record.

Bates and Williams both had two individuals earn All-NESCAC honors. The Bobcats senior tandem of Ricky Weisskopf (San Salvador, El Salvador) and Sean Wilkinson (London, England) each earned All-Conference recognition. The two played a big part in Bates capturing the Hoehn (B) Division at the CSA championships, the program's best finish ever. Weisskopf also recently received the CSA's Skillman Award, one of the highest honors in collegiate squash. The Ephs were represented on the All-NESCAC Men's Squash team by senior Jon Barry (Weston, Mass.) and sophomore Ethan Bushbaum (Princeton, N.J.).

Rounding out the 2008 NESCAC Men's Squash All-Conference Team were senior Mark Rapisarda (Brooklyn, N.Y.) of Amherst, sophomore Palmer Higgins (Morristown, N.J.) of Bowdoin, and senior Jake Gross (Washington, D.C.) of Tufts. Gross finished his career with the Jumbos this season with the program's all-time wins record.

Coach of the Year honors went to Trinity's Paul Assaiante. In his 14th season as the Bantams' head coach, Assaiante guided his team to a perfect 18-0 record this season, as Trinity has now won 183 consecutive matches.

2008 NESCAC MEN'S SQUASH ALL-CONFERENCE

Jon Barry	Williams	Sr.	Weston, Mass.
Ethan Bushbaum	Williams	So.	Princeton, N.J.
Baset Chaudhry	Trinity	So.	Lahore, Pakistan
Gustav Detter	Trinity	Jr.	Malmoe, Sweden
Jake Gross	Tufts	Sr.	Washington, D.C.
Palmer Higgins	Bowdoin	So.	Morristown, N.J.
Manek Mathur	Trinity	Jr.	Mumbai, India
Mark Rapisarda	Amherst	Sr.	Brooklyn, N.Y.
Ricky Weisskopf	Bates	Sr.	San Salvador, El Salvador
Sean Wilkinson	Bates	Sr.	London, England

Player of the Year: Baset Chaudhry, Trinity

Rookie of the Year: Andres Vargas Heredina, Trinity

Coach of the Year: Paul Assaiante, Trinity