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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### TRACK & FIELD Weekly Release #3 - April 13, 2009

## Men's Track Performer of the Week Daniel Murner, Amherst

(Junior - Crestwood, Ky.)

Murner placed first in the 5,000-meter run at the UMass Amherst Invitational over the weekend. He finished the event in a time of 14:39.

#### Men's Field Performer of the Week

#### Rich McNeil, Bates

(Junior - Lawrence, Mass.)

McNeil won the Shot Put, Discus and Hammer throws during a four-team meet at Colby on Saturday. McNeil's tosses in the Discus (145-02) and the Hammer (174-10) were both personal bests.

**Notes:** Bates sophomore Devin Dilts (Roscoe, III.) won the steeplechase on Saturday at Colby in a time of 9:43.98. It was only the second time in his career that Dilts competed in the steeplechase...**Colby** sophomore Ben Ossoff (Andover, Mass.) took the 800-meter run in a time of 1:56.80 during a four-team meet at the Mules new Harold Alfond Stadium. Ossoff has improved his 800 time in each of his three races this season...**Williams** senior Macklin Chaffee (Chagrin Falls, Ohio) came in third at the UMass Invitational in the 5,000-meter run over the weekend, finishing the event in 14:43.37. Freshman Rusty Cowher (Enon Valley, Pa.) placed third in the Shot Put (12.75) and Discus (39.74) at the UMass Invitational over the weekend. The Ephs finished the meet in third place.

# Women's Track Performer of the Week

Lauren Philbrook, Williams

(Senior - Hopkinton, Mass.)

Philbrook ran away with first in the 5,000-meter race at the UMass Amherst Invitational over the weekend, out-distancing herself from the competition by over 40 seconds and winning the event in 17:07.54.

#### Women's Field Performer of the Week

#### Brianna Kondrat, Colby

(Senior - Eaton, N.H.)

Kondrat had two first place finishes at a tri-meet hosted by the Mules, taking the Hammer and Discus. Kondrat broke her personal best toss in the Hammer with a mark of 160-05, while her throw in the Discus came in at 123-10. She also finished third in the Shot Put with a toss of 36-6.75.

**Notes:** Amherst senior Elise Tropiano (Laurel Hollow, N.Y.) took the steeplechase event at the UMass Amherst Invitational on Saturday with a time of 10:48.27...**Colby** senior Erin Beasley (LaGrange, Maine) won the 100-meter and 200-meter dash in times of 13.19 and 27.43, respectively, at a three-team meet hosted by the Mules on Saturday...**Williams** first year Kelsey Ham (Bozeman, Mont.) came in eighth for the Ephs at the UMass Amherst Invitational in the Long Jump, recording a distance of 4.90 meters.