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WOMEN'S SQUASH All-Conference - Feb. 26, 2009

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## NESCAC WOMEN'S SQUASH ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS ANNOUNCED

### *Trinity's Bahgat Scores Player, Rookie of the Year Honors*

HADLEY, Mass. - Trinity College first year Nour Bahgat (Cairo, Egypt) collected dual honors as she was selected by the conference coaches as both the 2009 NESAC Player and Rookie of the Year. Bahgat has compiled a 12-0 record this season heading into this weekend's College Squash Association (CSA) Individual National Championships.

Bahgat also earned NESAC All-Conference First Team honors. She was joined on the First Team by juniors Nayelly Hernandez (San Luis, Mexico) and Jo-Ann Jee (Kuching, Maylasia). Hernandez, the 2008 NESAC Rookie of the Year, holds a 7-5 mark this season while Jee has posted an 11-2 record. The trio helped the Bantams claim their third consecutive NESAC Women's Squash title earlier in the month along with a third-place at the Howe Cup, finishing the season at 12-3.

Williams joined Trinity as the only other to place three individuals on the All-NESAC First Team. Returning from the 2008 All-Conference squad for the Ephs were juniors Jennifer Coxe (Greenwich, Conn.) and Toby Eyre (Gladwyne, Pa.). First year Courtney Bogle (Bronxville, N.Y.) rounds out the Williams contingent on the First Team. The Ephs went 12-10 in 2008-09 and finished as the runner-up to Trinity in the NESAC championship.

A total of four individuals on this winter's First Team earned All-NESAC honors a year ago. Joining Williams' tandem of Coxe and Eyre from the 2008 First Team were Middlebury senior Sarah Hatfield (Great Barrington, R.I.) and Hamilton junior Kelly Whipple (Rye, N.Y.). Hatfield heads into the weekend 13-10 while Whipple is 8-10.

Receiving All-NESAC accolades for the first time in their careers were Bowdoin sophomore Elena Laird (Cambridge, Mass.), Connecticut College junior Cara Flynn (Haverford, Pa.) and Tufts senior Victoria Barba (New York, N.Y.). Laird played in the number one position for the Polar Bears this season and holds a 12-11 record. Flynn competed for most of the season at number two, compiling a 20-5 record along the way.

Middlebury head coach John Illig was chosen by his counterparts as NESAC Coach of the Year. In his second season with the Panthers, Illig guided his team to a 19-8 showing and a fourth-place finish at this year's conference championship.

### 2009 NESAC WOMEN'S SQUASH ALL-CONFERENCE

#### First Team

Nour Bahgat	Trinity
Victoria Barba	Tufts
Courtney Bogle	Williams
Jennifer Coxe *	Williams
Toby Eyre *	Williams
Cara Flynn	Connecticut College
Sarah Hatfield *	Middlebury
Nayelly Hernandez	Trinity
Jo-Ann Jee	Trinity
Elena Laird	Bowdoin
Kelly Whipple *	Hamilton

Fy. Cairo, Egypt
Sr. New York, N.Y.
Fy. Bronxville, N.Y.
Jr. Greenwich, Conn.
Jr. Gladwyne, Pa.
Jr. Haverford, Pa.
Sr. Great Barrington, R.I.
Jr. San Luis, Mexico
Jr. Kuching, Maylasia
So. Cambridge, Mass.
Jr. Rye, N.Y.

#### Second Team

Stephanie Cabot	Bates	So. Dover, Mass.
Lauren Gesswein *	Bowdoin	So. Fairfield, Conn.
Elizabeth Gillespie	Bowdoin	Sr. Brooklyn, N.Y.
Kate Gormley	Bowdoin	Sr. Brookline, Mass.
Tehani Guruge *	Trinity	Jr. Columbia, Sri Lanka
Emery Holton	Trinity	So. Philadelphia, Pa.
Pamela Jimenez	Trinity	Fy. Puerto Vallarta, Mexico
Hayley Milbourn	Amherst	So. Baltimore, Md.
Kristen Rubin	Hamilton	Jr. Boston, Mass.
Samantha Smith *	Colby	So. Locust Valley, N.Y.

**Player of the Year:** Nour Bahgat, Trinity  
**Rookie of the Year:** Nour Bahgat, Trinity  
**Coach of the Year:** John Illig, Middlebury

\* - 2008 All-Conference First Team