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BRYAN LIPPINCOTT OF CONCORDIA, ST. PAUL TOPS CAPITAL ONE ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA® DIVISION II BASEBALL TEAM

TOWSON, Md. – Senior third baseman **Bryan Lippincott** of Concordia University, St. Paul (Minn.) University leads the 2012 Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Baseball Team, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

A finance major with a perfect 4.0 G.P.A., Lippincott has been selected as the Capital One Academic All-America® of the Year for Division II baseball. This is the second consecutive national award for the Des Moines, Iowa native. He was selected as the Capital One Academic All-America® of the Year in the College Division in 2011.

The Capital One Division II Academic All-America® program is being financially supported by the NCAA Division III national governance structure to assist CoSIDA with handling the awards fulfillment aspects for the 2011-12 Division III Academic All-America® teams program.

The leading hitter in NCAA Division II with a .494 average, Lippincott is a consensus first team All-America pick, earning notice from Daktronics, the ABCA and the NCBWA. A finalist for the Tino Martinez Award which is presented to the top Division II player in the nation, Lippincott is second in the nation in on-base percentage (.594) and third in slugging percentage (.864).

A starter in all 46 games for the Golden Bears, Lippincott scored 49 runs while hitting 19 doubles with 10 home runs and 52 runs batted in while leading Concordia to a 21-25 record. A repeat selection on the Capital One Division II Academic All-America® first team, he finished his career with a .428 batting average, setting a school record. He also set school records for doubles (63), triples (12) and runs scored (170). His 254 base hits are the second-highest total in school history. He also smashed 28 home runs with 165 runs batted in during his career.

Tusculum College, which posted a 48-10 record and won the South Atlantic Conference championship, placed two student-athletes, senior catcher **Cody Coffman** and junior pitcher **Taylor Rakes**, on the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Baseball first team.

A physical therapy major with a 3.59 G.P.A., Coffman split time between first base and catcher this season. A second team All-SAC selection, Coffman led the Pioneers with a .417 batting average. One of the top 15 hitters in the nation, he earned first team All-All-America notice and was named to the all-tournament team at the NCAA Regionals. One of the NCAA leaders with 90 hits, he had 19 doubles, a triple, nine home runs and 62 runs batted in.

A junior business and economics major with a 3.88 G.P.A., Rakes was the second-best pitcher for the Pioneers. He started 15 games and posted a 10-1 record with a 3.18 E.R.A. He pitched 85 innings and walked 19 batters with 61 strikeouts. Rakes also led the team with four complete games and pitched one shutout. The South Atlantic Conference Scholar-Athlete Award winner, Rakes also earned second team All-SAC notice.

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Senior **Ryan Griffin** of Lindenwood University is the other pitcher on the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Baseball first team. A senior marketing major with a 3.89 G.P.A., Griffin led the Lions to a 30-19 record while earning first team All-Independent Collegiate Athletic Conference honors. A native of Sydney, Australia, Griffin was the Lions' ace relief pitcher and pitched in 30 games. He compiled a 6-1 record with 11 saves and a 1.65 ERA in 71 innings.

Seniors **Andrew Ciennik** of Wayne State and **Joe Wendle** of West Chester join junior **Drake Austin** of Quincy to complete Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Baseball infield.

A biological sciences major with a 3.75 G.P.A., Ciennik was a four-year starter at second base. As a senior, he helped Wayne State post a 34-21 record and earn a berth in the NCAA Midwest regional. A two-time All-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference pick, he was the Warriors' second-leading hitter with a .350 average. A native of Waterford, Mich., he started all 55 games and scored 32 runs. He also had seven doubles, one home run and 26 runs batted in.

A pre-physical therapy major with a 3.59 G.P.A., Wendle has led No. 13 West Chester into the semi-finals of the NCAA Division II World Series in North Carolina. Honored as the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Player of the Year, Wendle won the PSAC Triple Crown by batting .399 with 12 home runs and 58 RBI's. A four-year starter at second base, he has also scored 62 runs and has a .966 on-base percentage. A native of Lincoln University, Pa., Wendle has led the Golden Rams to a 44-10 record, the PSAC title and a regional championship. He has been named as a first team All-American by Daktronics and the NCBWA.

A first team All-Great Lakes Valley Conference shortstop, Austin is a computer science and mathematics major with a 3.98 G.P.A. The second-leading hitter for the Hawks, he batted .340 with 35 runs scored. A native of Wilton, Iowa, Austin had 14 doubles, five home runs and 32 RBI's while leading Quincy to a 28-21 record.

Seniors **Antonio Callaway** of Mount Olive and **Chris Eichten** of Southwest Minnesota State lead the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Baseball first team outfield. Junior **Phil Imholte** of St. Cloud State was also named to the first team outfield.

A business management and human resources major with a 3.64 G.P.A., Callaway led Mount Olive to a 44-10 record and the Conference Carolinas championship. The starting centerfielder for the Trojans, Callaway earned first team all-conference honors after batting .350 with 72 runs scored. A Lawrenceville, Ga. native, Callaway had 11 doubles, three home runs and 51 RBI's with 39 stolen bases. He helped Mount Olive earn a number one ranking in Division II over the final weeks of the regular season before the Trojans were upset in the regional tournament.

A biology major with a 3.84 G.P.A., Eichten led Southwest Minnesota State to a 22-23 record as the Mustangs' top hitter. A .354 batter, he scored 26 runs and had 17 RBI's. An outstanding defensive player who had a 1.000 fielding percentage, the Wabasso, Minn. native finished his career with a .345 batting mark.

Imholte, a radio broadcast and communications studies major with a 3.86 G.P.A., led St. Cloud State to a record-setting season. The Huskies finished the season with a 48-14 record and were NCAA regional runners-up. A first team All-Northern Sun Intercollegiate Athletic Conference selection, he batted .371, sixth in the NSIC. An honorable mention All-American, he also set school records with 31 stolen bases and 36 times hit by pitch. The St. Cloud, Minn. native scored a league-leading 76 runs and had 78 hits along with a .516 on-base percentage.

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Senior designated hitter **Mitch Wolfe** of Eastern New Mexico rounds out the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Baseball first team. A history major with a 4.00 G.P.A., An honorable mention All-Lone Star Conference selection, Wolfe batted .308 as a senior with 32 runs scored, 16 doubles, four home runs and 26 runs batted in. A native of Litchfield Park, N.M., Wolfe earned a spot on the Lone Star Conference All-Academic team.

The 11 members of the 2012 Capital One Academic All-America® NCAA Division II Baseball first team have a 3.82 G.P.A.

On the Capital One Academic All-America® Division II Baseball second team, there is one graduate student, 10 seniors and a sophomore. Grad student **Josh Chism**, an infielder from Arkansas Monticello tops the second team. He is joined by pitchers **Mark Himmelberg** of Rockhurst and **Elias Tuma** of UC San Diego, catcher **Devon Myers** of Truman State, and infielders **Nick Adams** of Rollins, **Jacob Karr** of Wingate, and **Bret Schwartz** of Central Missouri. Senior outfielders **Josh Haley** of UNC Pembroke, **Buddy Sosnoskie** of Francis Marion and **Bryant Walker** of King (Tenn.) are also part of the second team, along with designated hitter **Andy Hall** of Missouri Science & Tech. Sophomore outfielder **David Atwood** of Young Harris completes the second team.

Senior catcher **Kevin Spatkowski** and junior pitcher **Tim Flight** of Southern New Hampshire headline the third team. Junior **Ryan Thompson** of Franklin Pierce is the other pitcher on the third team while seniors **Eitan Maoz** of UNC Pembroke, **Doug Snover** of Angelo State and **Adam Thygesen** made the third team as infielders. Junior **Robbie Zinsmeister** of Indiana (Pa.) is the other infielder on the third team while sophomore **Clayton Miller** of Armstrong Atlantic State made the third team as designated hitter. Senior **Lee Voth-Gaeddert** of Missouri Science & Tech. and junior **Joe Petosa** of Felician complete the third team as outfielders.

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DIVISION II BASEBALL TEAM

Academic All-American of the Year: Bryan Lippincott, Concordia, St. Paul (Minn.)

FIRST TEAM						
Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Ryan Griffin	Lindenwood	Sr.	Sydney, Australia	3.89	Marketing (MBA)
P	Taylor Rakes	Tusculum	Jr.	Norcross, Ga.	3.88	Business & Economics
C	Cody Coffman	Tusculum	Sr.	Cape Coral, Fla.	3.59	Physical Therapy
IF	Bryan Lippincott (1)	Concordia, St. Paul (Minn.)	Sr.	Des Moines, Iowa	4.00	Finance
IF	Drake Austin	Quincy	Jr.	Wilton, Iowa	3.98	Comp. Sciences, Mathematics
IF	Andrew Ciennik	Wayne State	Sr.	Waterford, Mich.	3.75	Biological Sciences
IF	Joe Wendle	West Chester	Sr.	Lincoln University, Pa.	3.59	Pre-Physical Therapy
OF	Phil Imholte	St. Cloud	Jr.	St. Cloud, Minn.	3.86	Radio Broadcast , Comm. Studies
OF	Antonio Callaway	Mount Olive	Sr.	Lawrenceville, Ga.	3.64	Business Mgt.,Human Resources
OF	Chris Eichten	SW Minnesota State	Sr.	Wabasso, Minn.	3.84	Biology
DH	Mitch Wolfe	Eastern New Mexico	Sr.	Litchfield Park, Ariz.	4.00	History

SECOND TEAM						
Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Mark Himmelberg	Rockhurst	Sr.	Cape Girardeau, Mo.	3.91	Accounting
P	Elias Tuma (1)	UC San Diego	Sr.	Fremont, Cal.	3.93	Cognitive Science
C	Devon Myers	Truman State	Sr.	Fenton, Mo.	3.68	Exercise Science
IF	Nick Adams	Rollins	Sr.	Orlando, Fla.	3.84	Economics
IF	Josh Chism	Arkansas Monticello	Gr.	Mooreville, Miss.	4.00	Physical Education & Coaching
IF	Jacob Karr	Wingate	Sr.	Richmond, Va.	3.68	Accounting
IF	Bret Schwartz	Central Missouri	Sr.	Blue Springs, Mo.	3.60	Social Studies
OF	David Atwood	Young Harris	So.	Waynesville, N.C.	3.72	Biology
OF	Josh Haley	UNC Pembroke	Sr.	Jackson Springs, N.C.	3.50	Exercise & Sports Science
OF	Buddy Sosnoskie	Francis Marion	Sr.	Statesville, N.C.	3.38	Marketing
OF	Bryant Walker	King (Tenn.)	Sr.	Knoxville, Tenn.	4.00	Physics
DH	Andy Hall	Missouri Science & Tech.	Sr.	Rolla, Mo.	3.55	Civil Engineering

THIRD TEAM						
Pos.	Name	School	Yr.	Hometown	GPA	Major
P	Tim Flight	Southern New Hampshire	Jr.	Portsmouth, R.I.	3.38	Business Studies
P	Ryan Thompson	Franklin Pierce	Jr.	Calgary, Alberta, Can.	3.88	Mass Communication
C	Kevin Spatkowski	Southern New Hampshire	Sr.	Bristol, Conn.	3.32	Sport Management
IF	Eitan Maoz	UNC Pembroke	Sr.	Ottawa, Ontario, Can.	3.87	Exercise & Sports Science
IF	Doug Snover	Angelo State	Sr.	Tempe, Ariz.	3.94	Business Management
IF	Adam Thygesen	SW Minnesota State	Sr.	Red Wing, Minn.	3.84	Sports Management
IF	Robbie Zinsmeister	Indiana (Pa.)	Jr.	Hatfield, Pa.	3.80	Math Education
OF	Joe Petosa	Felician	Jr.	Spotswood, N.J.	3.77	Accounting
OF	Lee Voth-Gaeddert	Missouri Science & Tech.	Sr.	Hesston, Kan.	3.44	Civil Engineering
DH	Clayton Miller	Armstrong Atlantic State	So.	Augusta, Ga.	3.37	Rehabilitation Sciences

(1) Capital One Academic All-America® College Division first team in 2011

