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## **ATHLETES OF THE WEEK FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2008**

**UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION** Athlete of the Week selections are drawn from nominees submitted by member institution coaches and sports information directors. **UAA Athletes of the Week** are selected in each sport in which the **UAA** sponsors competition. They are selected on the basis of their individual performances and contributions to team efforts during the past week in both Association and non-Association competition.

### **Women's Basketball**

#### **Jessica McEntee — New York University — Flushing, NY (Archbishop Molloy)**

New York University junior forward Jessica McEntee averaged 24 points, 11 rebounds, and 2.5 steals in a pair of **UAA** contests for the Violets. After finishing with 21 points, nine rebounds, and four steals in a 73-63 loss to Case Western Reserve University, McEntee posted game highs of 27 points and 13 rebounds in a 64-61 setback to Emory University two days later. For the weekend, she shot 50 percent (six of 12) from three-point range and 76.9 percent (10 of 13) from the free-throw line.

### **Men's Basketball**

#### **Joe Coppens — Brandeis University — Rockland, MA (Rockland)**

Brandeis University senior guard Joe Coppens averaged 21.5 points, five rebounds, 1.5 assists, and 1.5 steals in leading the Judges to a pair of **UAA** home victories. Coppens led all scorers with 23 points and grabbed four rebounds in a 90-85 overtime win over Emory University. Nineteen of his 23 points came in the second half and overtime, including a key steal and three-pointer with three minutes left in regulation to give Brandeis its first lead since early in the contest. Two days later, Coppens tallied a game-high 20 points and six rebounds as the Judges cruised to their biggest win of the season, an 88-57 triumph over Case Western Reserve University. For the week, Coppens hit 62 percent from the field (13 of 21), 57 percent (four of seven) from three-point range, and 87 percent (13 of 15) from the line.

#### **Keith Jensen — New York University — San Diego, CA (Rancho Bernardo)**

New York University sophomore forward Keith Jensen averaged 19.5 points on 51.9 percent (14-for-27) shooting from the floor, including 47.4 percent (9-for-19) from three-point range, in leading the Violets to a 2-0 week. Jensen shot 6-for-13 from the floor, including 4-for-8 from long range, and finished with 16 points in a 64-54 triumph over Case Western Reserve University. Two days later, he tallied a career-high 23 points, including five 3-pointers, and added four rebounds and three assists in a 76-69 victory over Emory University, shooting eight of 14 from the floor, and five of 11 from three-point range.

### **Women's Fencing**

#### **Stefanie Aucoin — Brandeis University — Waltham, MA (Waltham)**

Brandeis University senior Stefanie Aucoin posted a 7-3 record in the foil at the Duke University Invitational, helping the Judges to a 3-2 record with victories over Massachusetts Institute of Technology (16-11), the United States Air Force Academy (18-9), and host Duke (14-13). Against the Blue Devils, Brandeis rallied from deficits of 11-7 and 13-12, with Aucoin winning 5-1 to clinch the victory. Brandeis dropped decisions to The University of North Carolina (7-20) and Temple University (6-21).

### ***Men's Fencing***

#### **Eugene Vortsman — Brandeis University — Staten Island, NY (Brooklyn Tech)**

Brandeis University senior Eugene Vortsman registered a 12-2 record in the foil as the Judges posted a 2-3 record at the Duke University Invitational. Brandeis posted victories over Massachusetts Institute of Technology (20-7) and the United States Air Force Academy (16-11), while dropping decisions to host Duke (13-14), The University of North Carolina (11-16), and Johns Hopkins University (9-18).

### ***Women's Tennis***

#### **Brooke Loar — Carnegie Mellon University — Columbus, OH (Upper Arlington)**

Carnegie Mellon University freshman Brooke Loar did not surrender a single game in posting victories in singles and doubles competition for the Tartans in a 9-0 triumph over NCAA Division I Robert Morris University. Loar posted a 6-0, 6-0 win at fourth singles, then teamed with Georgia Barlamus to post an 8-0 triumph at second doubles.

### ***Men's Tennis***

#### **Alex Nemerov — Carnegie Mellon University — Lake Forest, IL (Lake Forest)**

Freshman Alex Nemerov of Carnegie Mellon University posted back-to-back victories in singles and doubles competition in leading the Tartans to a pair of 9-0 shutout victories. Against NCAA Division II West Virginia Wesleyan University, Nemerov posted a 6-1, 6-1 win at third singles, then teamed with Yiran Liu to post an 8-2 triumph at third doubles. Against Division I Robert Morris University, he came away with a 6-3, 6-1 win at third singles and teamed with Ravi Raghavan for an 8-3 victory at third doubles.

### ***Women's Indoor Track and Field***

#### **Nicole Murphy — University of Chicago — Coppell, TX (Coppell)**

University of Chicago sophomore Nicole Murphy posted an NCAA Division III provisional qualifying performance in the shot put at the 10-team Illinois Wesleyan University/Bob Keck Invitational. Murphy finished second in the event with a throw of 12.83 meters, contributing to the Maroons' runner-up finish.

#### **Danielle Wadlington — Washington University — Homewood, IL (Illinois Math & Science)**

Junior Danielle Wadlington of Washington University registered an NCAA Division III provisional qualifying performance in capturing the triple jump at the Illinois Wesleyan University/Bob Keck Invitational. Wadlington bested a field of 17 competitors with a season-best leap of 11.29 meters. Wadlington also placed sixth in the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 8.93 seconds, helping the Bears to a third-place finish in the 10-team field.

### ***Men's Indoor Track and Field***

#### **Hany Abdallah — New York University — Madison, NJ (Madison)**

New York University senior Hany Abdallah turned in an NCAA Division III automatic qualifying performance in the 5,000-meter run at the Boston University Valentine Invitational. Running in a field of 123 competitors from all NCAA Divisions and Canadian universities, Abdallah finished third with a time of 14:21.87, breaking his own school record set a year ago.

#### **Ben Harmon — Washington University — St. Louis, MO (Lindbergh)**

Washington University freshman Ben Harmon surpassed the NCAA Division III provisional qualifying standard in winning the long jump at the Bob Keck Invitational hosted by Illinois Wesleyan University. Harmon posted a winning leap of 6.99 meters to top a field of 16 competitors, helping the Bears place sixth in a nine-team field.

## ***Wrestling***

### **Drew Gardella — Case Western Reserve University — Sagamore Hills, OH (Chanel)**

Junior Drew Gardella of Case Western Reserve University registered a pair of falls at 149 pounds en route to Most Outstanding Wrestler honors at the 2008 *University Athletic Association* Wrestling Championships hosted by New York University. Gardella, who also garnered All-Association accolades for the second time, opened the day with a fall in 4:28 over Jack Toussaint of the University of Chicago and followed with a third-period fall (6:45) over Matt Magill of host NYU to improve to 15-3 on the season and 86-23 for his career.