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## ***ATHLETES OF THE WEEK FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2011***

**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 Fencing***

#### **Vikki Nunley — Brandeis University — Glen Gardner, NJ (Voorhees)**

Junior foil fencer Vikkie Nunley of Brandeis University earned runner-up honors at the 2011 New England Intercollegiate Fencing Conference Fall Invitational. She dominated pool play, allowing just one touch against her in six matches. She earned a first-round bye before ousting foes from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Vassar College, Brown University, and the University of New Hampshire. She fell to an NCAA qualifier from Brown in the finals. Nunley finished with a 10-1 record overall.

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

#### **Adam Mandel — Brandeis University — White Plains, NY (Masters)**

Freshman Adam Mandel of Brandeis University earned the silver medal in saber at the 2011 New England Intercollegiate Fencing Conference Fall Invitational. Mandel went 6-0 and allowed just eight touches against for a +22 indicator. As the third seed in the elimination bracket, he defeated opponents from the University of New Hampshire, Tufts University, Sacred Heart University, teammate Jess Ochs-Willard, and the top seed from Brown University before falling to another opponent from Sacred Heart in the finals. The rookie finished the day with an 11-1 record.

### ***Football – Offense***

#### **Patrick Blanks — Carnegie Mellon University — Cincinnati, OH (Moeller)**

Junior Patrick Blanks of Carnegie Mellon University played a key factor in the Tartans' 500<sup>th</sup> win in the history of the program with a 28-13 victory at the University of Chicago. He rushed for a career-high 171 yards on 16 carries averaging 10.7 yards per touch. Blanks added a career-high three touchdowns, scoring from 27, 11, and seven yards. He currently leads the UAA with 892 rushing yards and has rushed for 252 yards in two UAA games this season.

### ***Football – Defense***

#### **Dan Calabrese — Case Western Reserve University — Concord, OH (Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin)**

Case Western Reserve University junior safety Dan Calabrese recorded his fifth and sixth interceptions of the season to help the Spartans to their seventh-straight victory at Washington University, 16-6.

### ***Football – Special Teams***

#### **Daniel Vasil – Case Western Reserve University – Erie, PA (McDowell)**

Case Western Reserve University senior placekicker Daniel Vasil was a perfect 3 of 3 on field goal attempts with a career-long 43-yarder as the Spartans won 16-6 at Washington University.

### ***Women's Soccer – Offense***

#### **Jen Reed – Washington University – Danville, CA (San Ramon Valley)**

Sophomore back Jen Reed of Washington University scored an unassisted goal from 35 yards out in the 76<sup>th</sup> minute as the 14<sup>th</sup>-ranked Bears posted a 1-0 win at 25<sup>th</sup>-ranked University of Chicago on Saturday. Her goal was the third of the season and fourth of her career. The win secured a second-place finish in the UAA with a 5-2 record.

### ***Women's Soccer – Defense***

#### **Clara Jaques – Washington University – Los Angeles, CA (Harvard-Westlake)**

Washington University junior goalkeeper Clara Jaques made six saves and picked up her fifth shutout of the year as 14<sup>th</sup>-ranked Bears posted a 1-0 win over 25<sup>th</sup>-ranked University of Chicago on Saturday. Jaques has a 15-4 overall record and a 0.84 goals against average, allowing 15 goals in 1,613 minutes played this season.

### ***Men's Soccer – Offense***

#### **Vinny Bell – Case Western Reserve University – Parma Heights, OH (Valley Forge)**

Case Western Reserve University senior forward Vinny Bell scored the game-winning goal in the 49<sup>th</sup> minute versus the University of Rochester. The Spartans won a share of the UAA Championship and claimed the automatic bid to the NCAA Division III tournament.

### ***Men's Soccer – Defense***

#### **Niro Wimalasena – Case Western Reserve University – Mason, OH (Mason)**

Case Western Reserve University senior defender Niro Wimalasena directed a defense to a 1-0 shutout over the University of Rochester as the Spartans won a share of the UAA Championship and earned the automatic bid to the NCAA Division III tournament. The Spartans held the Yellowjackets to just five shots on goal, and Wimalasena broke the school record for career starts with 74.

### ***Women's Swimming & Diving***

#### **Bizzy Millen – University of Chicago – Richboro, PA (Council Rock)**

Freshman Bizzy Millen of the University of Chicago won the 100-yard freestyle and 200-yard freestyle with respective times of 54.56 seconds and 1:57.97. His performance helped the Maroons defeated Washington University 187-107 in dual meet competition at the Myers-McLoraine Pool.

### ***Men's Swimming & Diving***

#### **Andrew Salomon – University of Chicago – Park Ridge, IL (Maine South)**

University of Chicago freshman Andrew Salomon took top honors in the 200-yard freestyle and 500-yard freestyle with times of 1:44.31 and 4:46.28. The Maroons went on to defeat Washington University 164-134 in dual meet competition at the Myers-McLoraine Pool.

## ***Wrestling***

### **Steve Massey — NYU — Yonkers, NY (Fordham Prep)**

Senior Steve Massey of NYU won the 197-pound weight class at the season-opening Ithaca Invitational in Ithaca, NY. On Friday, Massey posted a major decision and a technical fall in his first two bouts. In Saturday's semifinal, he defeated his opponent from Ithaca 3-2 and then outlasted his foe from Centenary College 7-5 in the final to capture the crown. His performance helped NYU to a sixth-place team finish.