Connecticut College

Senior Student-Athlete Awards Luncheon



Class of 2018

Saturday, May 19, 2018

CEREMONY

WELCOME

Francis J. Shields, Master of Ceremonies Katherine Wenk Christoffers '45 Director of Athletics

REMARKS
Katherine Bergeron, President of the College

LUNCH

ANDREW H. CHAIT '82 SERVICE AWARD Presented by Francis J. Shields

ERICA M. BOS '92 AWARD Presented by Head Women's Soccer Coach Norm Riker

TAMMY BROWN '84 & JAMES BROOKS '84 AWARDS Presented by Abigail Van Slyck, Dean of the Faculty

ANITA L. DeFRANTZ '74 AWARDS

Presented by Head Women's Basketball Coach Brian Wilson

& Head Men's Lacrosse Coach Dave Cornell

CLOSING REMARKS Francis J. Shields

THE AWARDS

The BROWN/BROOKS AWARD

Established by the class of 1984, the Brown/Brooks Award is given to the outstanding male and female student-athletes who best represent the graduating class in scholarship, leadership, and sportsmanship. The award is named after its first recipients, Tammy Brown '84 and Jim Brooks '84.

2018 Recipients: Charlotte List (Sailing) & Weston Stephens (Swimming)

THE ANDREW H. CHAIT SERVICE AWARD

The Andrew H. Chait Award was established in 1986 by Andrew H. Chait '82 to honor a member of the College sommunity who has shown outstanding service and commitment to the Connecticut College Department of Athletics.

2018 Recipients: Mike Wardlaw & John Charland

THE ERICA M. BOS AWARD

The Erica M. Bos '92 Award was established in 1990 to honor an athlete whose courage, motivation, and relentless determination serve as an inspiration to others.

2018 Recipient: Caroline Kelleher (Soccer)

The ANITA L. DeFRANTZ AWARD

The Anita L. DeFrantz Award was established in 1995 by Kathryn Smith '84. It is given annually to the male and female members of the graduating class whose athletic ability, leadership, and sportsmanship best exemplify the qualities of Olympic medalist Anita L. DeFrantz '74.

2018 Recipients: Mairead Hynes (Basketball) & Ben Parens (Lacrosse)



CHARLOTTE LIST SAILING

Charlotte List, a double major in computer science and mathematics, excelled in the classroom and as a member of the sailing program over the past four years. Boasting a 3.84 cumulative grade point average, the senior was the head teacher's assistant and a tutor for the computer science department. She was also involved as a member of the Senior Gift Committee and Women in STEM as a student at Connecticut College.

Furthermore, List was among 223 sailors who were named to the 2017 ICSA All-Academic Sailing Team. The award is given to student-athletes who have at least a 3.3 cumulative GPA and are a starter or key reserve in at least seven university sponsored regattas.

List, who was recognized as an All-NEISA Second Team selection, helped the women's sailing team advance to the ICSA National Championships for the first time since 2013 this spring. She plans to pursue a career in technology and will begin working for BlackRock in New York City as a software engineering analyst with the Aladdin Production Group after graduation.



WESTON STEPHENS SWIMMING

Weston Stephens, a United States History major, has an impressive 3.76 cumulative grade point average and has helped the men's swimming program become one of the school's strongest over the past four years. The team captain has been heavily involved with campus life by most notably serving as the History Department Student Advisory Board Co-Chair as well as the Student Activities Council Social Media Chair. He is also a Presidential Scholar and member of Phi Alpha Thea, which is the history honor society, at Connecticut College.

In the pool, Stephens was an All-NESCAC selection this past winter for placing third in the 50-yard butterfly with a personal-best time of 22.20 seconds at the championship meet. He also scored points for the Camels by finishing seventh in the 100 fly.

Over the course of his career, Stephens registered nine top-10 finishes at the NESCAC Championships to help the program place among the top five in the conference all four years and as high as third on two occasions. He will begin his professional career as a history teacher and the head swimming coach at Avon Old Farms in Avon, Connecticut after graduation.



MAIREAD HYNES BASKETBALL

Mairead Hynes will graduate as Connecticut College's most decorated women's basketball player over the past decade. After being named the NESCAC Rookie of the Year as a freshman in 2015, she earned a place on the All-NESCAC Second Team in each of the last three seasons. Thanks in large part to Hynes' efforts, the women's basketball program put together four winning campaigns and qualified for the NESCAC Tournament every year.

Hynes averaged 15.7 points and 6.3 rebounds while shooting 53.1 percent from the floor this past winter. All three marks were team highs, and her scoring and shooting marks ranked second and third in the league, respectively. Furthermore, she finished her career ranked on several of the program's all-time lists. This included fourth in scoring (1,335 points), seventh in rebounding (717), tied for sixth in blocked shots (75), and first in free throws made (335) as well as field goal percentage (.534).

Next year, Hynes will attend graduate school at Manhattan College to pursue a master's degree in special education. She plans to become a special education teacher at an elementary school after earning her master's in the discipline.



BEN PARENS LACROSSE

Ben Parens emerged to become one of the best faceoff specialists in the entire country during his illustrious career. By winning 868 of his 1,335 attempts as the team's primary FOGO over the past four seasons, the senior was named a USILA First Team All-American twice and picked up All-NESCAC post-season accolades three times. This included making the conference's second team as a freshman as well as the first team as a sophomore and junior.

In addition to winning 868 faceoffs, Parens also scored 28 career goals, picked up a school-record 475 ground balls, and caused three turnovers. The senior is the first and only player in program history to be named a USILA First Team All-American, and the recognition is only awarded to one faceoff specialist in the nation each season.

Parens, who led the men's lacrosse team to three consecutive appearances in the NESCAC Tournament, will begin working at a law firm in New York City and plans to pursue a career in the law or business fields after graduation.



CAROLINE KELLEHER SOCCER

Over the past four years, Caroline Kelleher has shown valor, grit, toughness, hope, resiliency, and perseverance. Despite experiencing two anterior cruciate ligament tears, the midfielder has been a valuable contributor for the women's soccer team which advanced to the NCAA Tournament three times during her tenure.

As a freshman, Kelleher made an immediate impact by scoring four goals for a team which would go on to win Connecticut College's first NESCAC championship in any sport and advance to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. However, her season was cut short in the semifinal round of the NESCAC's annual postseason event when she tore her left ACL.

After a painful rehabilitation process, Kelleher played in all 15 matches during her sophomore season and was off to another strong start as a junior. Unfortunately, her season was stopped short again when she tore her right ACL in September against Williams. This led to another long and intense round of rehabilitation and recovery.

Determined to make another triumphant comeback, Kelleher was a key member of the Camels' women's soccer program that advanced to the NCAAs this past fall as a senior. She played in every match, which included stepping onto the field in the team's first round contest against Wilkes.

Kelleher fittingly plans to become EMT certified and attend a physician assistant school with a possible focus on orthopedics after graduation.











CLASS OF 2018 SENIOR STUDENT-ATHLETES

April Anderson - Water Polo Matthew Andrews - Lacrosse

Cheyanne Asplundh - Field Hockey

Mackenzie Axelson - Lacrosse

Mawa Ballo - Squash

Jack Bertolini - Lacrosse

Ryan Blair - Lacrosse

Anna Bleck - Ice Hockey

Livi Block - Soccer

Diana Boyer - Cross Country, Track & Field

Caroline Branigan - Volleyball

Alex Bukovac - Soccer

Grant Bullis - Swimming

Paige Cackovic- Water Polo

Brooks Clark - Soccer

Emilia Clementi - Sailing

Camden Cone - Rowing

Lily Connolly - Ice Hockey

Tim Cooney - Ice Hockey

Annie Cornbrooks - Lacrosse

Stephan Cress - Water Polo

Shannon Cry - Swimming, Water Polo

Weston Delomba - Rowing

Aleksandra Drljaca - Tennis

John Dunham - Squash

Katie Edwards - Swimming

Tom Edwards - Swimming

Katia Elisman - Volleyball

Mason Evans - Ice Hockey

Patrick Farrell - Tennis

Maddy Fenderson - Rowing

Walter Florio - Sailing

Drake Freiberg - Swimming

Allie Fuller - Squash

Matt Gaetz - Ice Hockey

Emma Gawronski - Swimming

Ryan Glantz - Ice Hockey

Ethan Hecker - Tennis

Sam Hunter - Volleyball

Mairead Hynes - Basketball

Michael Iranpour - Rowing

Chris Jellison - Ice Hockey

Anna Jorgensen - Lacrosse

Haley Kachmar - Sailing

Caroline Kelleher - Soccer

Mackenzie Kingston - Soccer

Kate Kohl - Ice Hockey

Graham Koval - Soccer

Juliette Lee - Swimming

Meg Lembo - Field Hockey, Ice Hockey

Reid Leveillee - Lacrosse

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Charlotte List - Sailing

Hugh MacGillivray - Sailing

Caitlin Mahoney - Lacrosse

Allie Maurillo - Sailing

Bryce McClure - Lacrosse

Michelle Medina - Soccer

Nicole Medina - Soccer

Nick Miller - Swimming

Bryanna Montalvo - Soccer

Greg Montenegro - Rowing

Tucker Mscisz - Lacrosse

Belinda Mullally - Volleyball

Megan Mullin - Lacrosse

Jackie Murphy - Field Hockey

Sarah Nappo - Water Polo

Micaela Nee - Cross Country, Track & Field

Charlotte Nixon - Swimming

Katlyn Paiva - Ice Hockey

Ben Parens - Lacrosse

Jake Pescatore - Water Polo

Andrew Peterson - Track & Field

Dylan Pinckert - Water Polo

AJ Pite - Swimming

Charlie Pite - Swimming

Daniel Reisman - Squash

Isaiah Robinson - Basketball

Catherine Rockett - Tennis, Track & Field

Albert Rodiger - Sailing

Hunter Rosenthall - Lacrosse, Sailing

Ben Sachs - Tennis

Aly Saperstein - Track & Field

Grace Sheeran - Cross Country, Track & Field

Sophia Soriano - Water Polo

Lauren Steele - Soccer

Sarah Steingold - Swimming

Weston Stephens - Swimming

Nate Summers - Soccer

Aaron Swenson - Basketball

George Tilneac - Swimming

Connor Trapp - Cross Country, Track & Field

Alexa Tribelli - Soccer

Berklee Vaillancourt - Field Hockey

Colbi Vaillancourt - Field Hockey

Elizabeth Varoli - Squash

AJ Vazquez - Lacrosse

Olivia Vener - Track & Field

Matt Wagman - Water Polo

Angelica Warren - Tennis

Victoria Weinstock - Swimming

Christian Whitaker - Track & Field

