



TALES from the DOGHOUSE

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Year of Champions Ends With 35th Annual Athletics Awards Banquet

The John Jay Department of Physical Education and Athletics celebrated its 35th Annual Awards banquet on Thu. May 15 inside the fourth floor gym at Haaran Hall. Most athletes, along with coaches, administrative staff and parents were on hand to celebrate the event. Various awards were given to athletes for various accomplishments, including team Most Valuable Player, Most Improved Player and the John Jay female and male Athletes of the Year.

	MVP	MIP
Men's Cross Country	Dario Rosales	Jared Goldberg
Women's Cross Country	Michelle Cordero	Crystal Ferguson
Men's Soccer	Hiromi Karahashi	Joceny Thererias
Women's Tennis	Daisy Rivera	Pamela Moreno
Women's Volleyball	Andrea Medina	Jennifer Gonzalez
Men's Basketball	Hakeem Kased	Vince Calderon
Women's Basketball	Dominique Grice	Zadoora Carson
Rifle	Jenny Cho	Ema Andritoiu
Women's Swim/Dive	Ashley Stewart	Michelle Cordero
Baseball	John Massoni	Anthony Cestaro
Softball	Danielle Bonici	Nina Chao
Men's Tennis	Dong Shao	Milan Pavsic

John Jay Athletes of the Year

Dario Rosales	Men's Cross Country
Michelle Cordero	Women's Cross Country and Swimming



The 2007-08 Athletes of the Year, Michelle Cordero and Dario Rosales (center) celebrate with Dr. Davidson Umeh (l), Director of Athletics and Tony Phillips (r), head cross country coach.

Bloodhounds Remember Historical Year



The men's basketball team celebrates winning its first-ever CUNYAC Championship.

The 2007-08 John Jay athletics season was one of the greatest in school history. The programs combined for three championships (two CUNYAC championships and one Mid Atlantic Conference title) and one NCAA Division III tournament appearance, including the first NCAA tournament victory in John Jay history.

Fall

The men's soccer team finished 6-10-3 (4-2-2 CUNYAC) during the 2007 season while placing third in regular season standings. The Bloodhounds had a trio of conference All-Stars, including Christopher Tapia who was named to the second team and Oscar Garcia and Hiromi Karahashi who were named to the first team. Karahashi led the team with eight goals and 17 points.

The women's volleyball team finished 10-22 (4-5 CUNYAC) and earned a sixth place spot in the CUNYAC tournament. Sara Altamirano was named a CUNYAC second team All-Star and led the team in kills (350) and service aces (78).

John Jay women's tennis finished 4-10 (4-4 CUNYAC) this season. First flight player Daisy Rivera and fourth flight player Ariadna DiFabrizio were named conference second team All-Stars. Rivera was 10-4 in singles, while DiFabrizio went 7-5 overall.

The men's cross country team, for the second time in as many seasons, took home the gold as they won the conference championship meet. In addition the Bloodhounds scored wins at the Baruch Invitational (9/9), York Invitational (10/7) and City Tech Invitational (10/14). Dario Rosales was named the conference MVP after winning the City Tech Invitational and placing third at the championship.

The women's cross country team finished second in the CUNYAC. Michelle Cordero was the team's top finisher in four of the team's final five meets, including the CUNYAC championship where she placed ninth overall.

Winter

The John Jay men's basketball team made school history this season as it won the conference championship for the first time. In addition, the Bloodhounds earned an automatic berth into the NCAA Division III tournament for the first time ever and became the first John Jay program to win an NCAA tournament game. The Bloodhounds finished 14-16 (6-7 CUNYAC). Vaughn Mason was a second team conference All-Star after leading the team in scoring at 13.6 points per game.

The women's basketball team finished 5-20 (3-10) in a rebuilding year. Freshman Dominique Grice was a second team conference All-Star after leading the team in scoring (14.1) and steals (92).

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The men's cross country team celebrates winning the CUNYAC Championship for the second straight year.



(l-r) Former Athletics Director Dr. Susan Larkin, Derrick Tinsley, Greg Andrew, Carri Raffone, William Allard, Athletics Director Dr. Davidson Umeh

Department Honors Its History With Hall of Fame Inductions

The John Jay Department of Physical Education and Athletics inducted four alumni into its athletics Hall of Fame on Wed. March 19 in the fourth floor lobby of Haaran Hall.

William Allard ('74), a member of the pistol shooting team, Gregory Andrew ('96), a member of the men's basketball team, Carri Raffone ('04),

team for two years (1971-72) and led the team to a number one finish in the nation during the 1971 season.

Andrew, while a four-year member of the John Jay men's basketball team (1991-95) is the school's all-time leading scorer with 1565 career points.

Raffone, a two-year member of the softball team (2001-02), was not only a John Jay great, but an NCAA great. She set numerous NCAA offensive records both years en route to being named the CUNYAC Player of the Year each season. She had a career batting average of .574 with 26 homeruns and 137 RBI.

As a baseball player Tinsley was a conference All-Star in 1983 and '84, helping lead the Bloodhounds to conference championship twice. On the hardwood, Tinsley was CUNYAC second team All-Star during his senior year and scored 895 points during his career.

Bloodhounds Celebrate Successful Year of Community Service

As successful as the John Jay athletes were at the site of competition this season, they were equally as successful this year as various teams as well as the John Jay Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), participated in an abundance of charity events to help keep high spirits in the community. Below is a list of the various functions the John Jay athletes performed:

September 9, 2007
Softball Breast Cancer Walk

October 26, 2007
Baseball Riverside Park Fund clean up

November 19, 2007
SAAC Thanksgiving Can Drive

a member of the softball team and Derrick Tinsley ('93) a member of the baseball and men's basketball teams, all received the honor of being amongst John Jay's all-time greatest athletes.

Allard, a retired police officer who served with the New York Police Department from 1961 to 1981, was a member of the John Jay pistol shooting

December 16, 2007
Baseball Holiday Party

December 23, 2007
SAAC Toy Drive

May 18, 2008
Softball Lupus Walk

May 24, 2008
SAAC Spread the Love with PubliColor

May 28, 2008
Abbey of Regina Laudis Spring Chores



Members of the SAAC Committee dropping off the food collected during the Thanksgiving Can Drive for Maria's Kitchen at St. Paul the Apostle Church.

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John Jay women's swimming went 3-6 (2-3 CUNYAC) and finished fifth in the CUNYAC Championship meet. Ashley Stewart was John Jay's top performer at the championship meet finishing sixth of 18 in the 200 yard backstroke (3:08.33).

The rifle team finished on top once again, winning the MAC championship in both small bore and air rifle. For the second time in the past five years they won both disciplines in the same year. Stephen Wilson was the best shooter in both disciplines all season, including a season-high 562 in smallbore at the championship.



Rifle team MVP Stephen Wilson led the team to its fourth title in five years.

Spring

The baseball team earned a trip to the conference championship for the third year in a row after finishing second in

conference regular season standings (24-19 (10-5 CUNYAC)). John Jay had six conference All-Stars, including Chris Nastasi, John Massoni and Xavier Perez on the first team, and Anthony Cestaro, Luis Guzman and Luis Vega on the second team. Nastasi led the team in hitting (.428), homeruns (6) and RBI (57), while Massoni was 7-2 with a 4.73 earned run average on the mound.

John Jay softball finished 12-23 (6-6 CUNYAC) this season and finished fourth in CUNYAC. Danielle Bonici, for the second year in a row, was named a conference first team All-Star, while Marlene Nunez was named to the second team. Bonici led the Bloodhounds in batting (.388) and RBI (31).

The men's tennis team finished fourth in the conference after going 7-7 (5-3 CUNYAC). Dong Shao was named the conference Rookie of the Year after going 11-3 overall and 7-1 in conference play.

Credits

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