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The Heron Society of WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGE

Hamilton earns 2006 Marion Harrison Greene '20 Award

The Heron Society and the William Smith College Department of Athletics honored the top student-athletes of 2005-06 at the annual Heron Awards Banquet on May 2. Senior soccer defender and basketball forward **Scraphine Hamilton** took home the night's top award, earning the Marion Harrison Greene '20 Award as William Smith's most outstanding senior athlete.

Hamilton is a two-time soccer All-American and a three-time All-Region selection. The three-time All-Liberty League pick was named the 2005 Liberty League Player of the Year after leading the Herons to a 15-2-1 mark and a record 17th NCAA Tournament appearance. On the basketball court, Hamilton posted career-highs for scoring average, total rebounds, assists, and steals, while helping that squad earn an NCAA berth.

A highly-accomplished student as well, Hamilton was named to the 2005 NSCAA Scholar All-America first-team. She graduated with a double major in Africana Studies and English.

The Winn-Seeley Award was presented to senior field hockey forward **Maggie Dolan**. The Winn-Seeley Award recognizes an outstanding student-athlete who has contributed to many areas of William Smith athletics.

A two-time All-American and a three-time All-Region selection, Dolan finished her career with 42 goals and 18 assists for 102 points. She ranks eighth in career goals and 11th in career points. Dolan helped the Herons capture back-to-back Liberty League Championships as a junior and a senior. She was a member of William Smith's Peak Performance Core 20 Team, helping her fellow student-athletes make healthy choices to achieve peak performance. Dolan also is active in many other areas of campus life.

The Cynthia Oyler '93 Award was presented to **Jenn Davidson** and **Pria Young**. The award goes to the senior who will be continuing her education at the postgraduate level



MAJOR AWARD WINNERS (clockwise from top left): *Sophie Dennis, Leanne Roncolato, Pria Young, Kate Warner, Scraphine Hamilton, Rebecca Gutwin, Chelsea Rauck, Jenn Davidson, and Jane Erickson. (photo by Kevin Colton)*

and displays outstanding athletic abilities, excellent academic records, and exemplary leadership.

Davidson is a defender on the Heron lacrosse team. A two-year starter, she helped William Smith to a first place finish in the Liberty League this season while accumulating 33 ground balls, 10 draws, and 11 caused turnovers. A biology major, Davidson plans to become a physician's assistant.

Young was a two-sport star for the Herons. A four-year starter in both basketball and soccer, she was a 2005 second-team All-Region selection, a first-team All-State pick, and a first-team All-Liberty League honoree in soccer, while leading the team in assists. On the basketball court, Young led William Smith in scoring this season, finishing her career with 995 points, and ranked third in career steals (273) and sixth in career free throw percentage

(.765). She graduated with a double major in chemistry and English.

Senior rower **Rebecca Gutwin** was named the Evaleen C. Harrison '19 Scholar-Athlete Award winner. Gutwin was a two-time CRCA All-American, the recipient of the ECAC Award of Valor, and a 2006 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American (See story on page 2).

The Melissa Mulliken '80 Award for participation, leadership, and off-field endeavors that advance William Smith athletics was presented to junior **Leanne Roncolato** and senior **Kate Warner**.

The cross country team's top runner over the past two seasons, Roncolato has led the Herons across the finish line in all 19 races she has run. The 2005 All-Liberty Leaguer is very active in the campus and greater Geneva community. She is the community service coordinator of the Latin American Organization and recently organized a voter registration drive in Geneva. Roncolato also has studied in South Africa and interviewed Bishop Desmond Tutu.

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Gutwin records first for Heron rower

Recent graduate **Rebecca Gutwin** was named to the 2006 ESPN The Magazine Women's At-Large Academic All-America® second team. A mathematics major, she graduated summa cum laude in May.

Gutwin, the stroke (the pacesetter for the boat, seated closest to the coxswain) in the crew team's varsity eight, is the 11th Heron and the first William Smith oarswoman to receive the national acclaim.

A three-year member of the varsity eight, Gutwin is a two-time CRCA Pocock All-American. The varsity eight earned the Liberty League Boat of the Week award four times this season en route to the Liberty League Crew of the Year Award.

Gutwin was named to the Dean's List in each of her four years on campus. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and the Laurel Society.

The Women's At-Large Academic All-America® Team consists of the top 15 student-athletes in bowling, crew, fencing, field hockey, golf, gymnastics, ice hockey, lacrosse, rifle, skiing, swimming and diving, tennis, and water polo. A second and third team consisting of 15 student-athletes each also are named.

To be eligible, a student-athlete must be a varsity starter or key reserve, maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.2, and have reached sophomore athletic and academic standings.



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Rauck named ITA Rookie of the Year

William Smith first-year **Chelsea Rauck** was named the 2006 Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Women's



Chelsea Rauck

Division III National Rookie of the Year at the NCAA championship banquet in Santa Cruz, Calif. She is the first Heron to earn this prestigious award.

Rauck played the entire season at No. 1 singles for the Herons, posting a 25-6 record. Ranked as high as fifth in the ITA Northeast region rankings, her 25 wins are the most by a William Smith student-athlete in a decade. Rauck won her first nine collegiate matches and also put together a 16-match winning streak.

Highly decorated, Rauck was voted the Liberty League Women's Tennis Player and Rookie of the Year. At the annual Heron Awards Banquet, she received the Stephanie Christie '82 Award as William Smith's most outstanding first-year and the Mary Hosking Award as the tennis team's MVP.

Rauck is the first Heron to participate in the NCAA singles tournament since **Cindy Dash '91**. Rauck lost to Trinity (Texas) University sophomore Laura Steinmetz in the first round. Steinmetz was the No. 2 seeded player in the 32-player draw.

2005-06 Heron High Honors

Basketball

Liberty League Coaching Staff of the Year
 Head Coach Lindsay Drury &
 Assistant Coaches Alex Ivansheck,
 Charlie Evangelista

Crew

CRCA Pocock All-American
 Rebecca Gutwin
ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American
 Rebecca Gutwin
Liberty League Coaching Staff of the Year
 Head Coach Sandra Chu &
 Assistant Coach Vanessa Sheehan
Liberty League Crew of the Year
 Nicole Balsamo, Kenzie Cannon,
 Hannah Gallup, Rebecca Gutwin,
 Jenn Kirst, Jessica Mahon, Kerry O'Neill,
 Frances Parsons, & Edwina Wilson

Cross Country

USTFCCCA All-Academic Squad
 Entire team
USTFCCCA Hall of Fame
 Head Coach Jack Warner

Field Hockey

NFHCA All-American
 Sophie Dennis, Maggie Dolan
NFHCA National Academic Team Award
 Entire team
NYSWCAA Coach of the Year
 Head Coach Sally Scatton
Liberty League Performer of the Year
 Sophie Dennis
Liberty League Rookie of the Year
 Charlotte Styer

Lacrosse

Liberty League Coaching Staff of the Year
 Head Coach Pat Genovese &
 Assistant Coaches Sarah Queener, Liz Harris

Sailing

ICSA All-American Crew
 Molly Lawson, Augusta Nadler

Soccer

NSCAA All-American .. Seraphine Hamilton
ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American
 Laura Burnett-Kurie
Liberty League Coaching Staff of the Year
 Head Coach Aliceann Wilber &
 Assistant Coaches Leah Cornwell,
 Keith Perrigo
Liberty League Performer of the Year
 Seraphine Hamilton

Squash

Liberty League Rookie of the Year
 Lori Stump

Tennis

ITA National Rookie of the Year
 Chelsea Rauck
Liberty League Performer of the Year
 Chelsea Rauck
Liberty League Rookie of the Year
 Chelsea Rauck

2005-06 By The Numbers

- 87** Weekly awards earned by the Herons.
- 61** Herons that earned academic honors from conference, state or national organizations.
- 32** Herons that received All-Liberty League honors
- 4** Conference Tournament Championships by the Herons

HERON AWARDS (from p. 1)

A steady and reliable midfielder for the soccer team, Warner was named to the All-Liberty League team this year for the first time. A three-year starter, she finished her career with seven goals and six assists. During the offseason, Warner was instrumental in the growth and success of the William Smith ski club. In addition to managing the club, she also was its top performer, finishing in the top 15 at nationals in the slalom and the giant slalom to earn All-American honors.

Junior field hockey forward **Sophie Dennis** received the Susan Bassett Award for excellence in academics, athletics, and leadership. In just three seasons, Dennis has scored more goals (61) and compiled more points (147) than any Heron before her. The two-time All-American has twice been named to the NFCA All-Academic Squad. She is

a sports in society major.

Junior lacrosse midfielder **Jane Erickson** garnered the Hazel Nettleship Hardy '65 Award, presented to the student in her middle years who has contributed to the growth of Heron athletics and is an excellent representative of William Smith athletes. Erickson played in 10 games this season for the lacrosse team and was a positive influence on the team on the field and in the locker room, while her academic achievement and service to the community are extensive.

The Stephanie Christie Award, William Smith's Rookie of the Year Award, was presented to first-year tennis standout **Chelsea Rauck**. (See story on page 2).

More than 50 student-athletes received awards, including team and individual awards (see sidebar).

KEVIN COLTON



Secretary Darlene DeVaney, who will retire in December, was honored at the banquet.



Retiring Hobart Dean Clarence E. Butler was honored during the Heron Awards Banquet.

2005-06 Team Awards

Basketball

Barbara Easton Regan Coach's Award
..... Paula Foote '07
Basketball Award
..... Seraphine Hamilton '06

Crew

Coach's Award Anne Wakeman '09
..... Emily Maguire '09
S. Ford Weiskittel Most Valuable
Oarswoman Award Jenn Kirst '08

Cross Country

Coach's Award Kate Chabot '06
Sharon Peckham Best '62 Most Valuable
..... Leanne Roncolato '07

Field Hockey

Beverly Singer '74 Coach's Award
..... Brittney Paye '08
Charles P. Boswell II '50 Award
. Maggie Dolan '06 & Sophie Dennis '07

Golf

Coach's Award Val Dolan '06
Most Valuable Golfer ... Nicki Calanda '09

Lacrosse

Shirley Zornow '48 Coach's Award
..... Louise Greenwood '06
Patricia Price Genovese Award
..... Jessica Tanner '06

Sailing

Christine Jurczak '00 Coach's Award
..... Sarah Borup '09
Ady Symonds '96 Most Valuable Sailor
..... Augusta Nadler '06

Soccer

Coach's Award Andrea Rosenthal '08
Alicean Wilber Award
..... Joe Murphy H'06 & Kate Warner '06

Squash

Coach's Award Lee Lee Robinson '06
Irene Graves Harer '28 Award
..... Kinsey Cruice '06

Swimming & Diving

Kelly Kisner Coach's Award
..... Becca Stevens '06
Anne Richardson Rowley '82 Most Valuable
..... Charlotte McIntosh '07

Tennis

Elizabeth Laird Redway Heia '84
Coach's Award Erinn Cain '08
Mary Hosking Award
..... Chelsea Rauck '09

Sports Medicine

Joseph N. Abraham Award
..... Seraphine Hamilton '06
..... Pria Young '06

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With her classmates lined up behind her, senior Pria Young accepts a handshake and her senior ring from President Mark Gearan.

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HERON FAREWELL

Following the 2005-06 academic year, several members of the Heron coaching staff and support team are moving on to new opportunities in their professional careers. William Smith College and the Heron Society are grateful for their dedication and commitment to Heron student-athletes and wish them the best of luck.



Leah Cornwell '02
Assistant Soccer Coach

After two seasons on the Heron sidelines in which William Smith has posted an 18-6-4 record, Leah plans to continue her education in a master's program at the University of Florida.



Sarah Queener
Assistant Lacrosse Coach

Queener departs the sidelines after three seasons with the Herons. She is planning to continue her education at Yale University and is exploring coaching opportunities near New Haven.



Liz Harris '05
Assistant Lacrosse Coach

Harris, who graduated from the Colleges' master's program in May, will begin her teaching career after helping the Heron lacrosse team to a first place finish in the Liberty League.



Vanessa Sheehan
Assistant Crew Coach

After helping the Herons to the Liberty League Rowing Championship, Sheehan plans to continue her education. She begins law school at Valparaiso University in the fall.



Jack Holleran H'05
Assistant Director of Athletic Communications

After completing his nine-month internship at Colleges', Holleran plans to continue his career in collegiate athletics closer to his hometown of Sharon, Mass.