



Sports LETTER

Hobart honors top athletes of 2007-08 at annual Block H

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6 to join Hobart Athletics Hall of Fame

The Hobart College Athletics Hall of Fame will welcome six new members in an on campus ceremony on Nov. 15. The Class of 2008 will include:

Jack Davis '78

Mike DeMaria '90

Jack Fulton '92

Jeff Potter '81

Dick Thomas '75

Dick Turoski '55

Look for more details in the next issue of the SAA Sportsletter.

The Statesmen Athletic Association and the Hobart College Athletics Department honored the top student-athletes of 2007-08 at the annual Block H Awards Banquet on April 28. Senior hockey forward Shawn Houde (right) and senior lacrosse attackman Daryl Veltman (far right) took home top honors as the Francis L. "Babe" Kraus '24 Memorial Award winners. The Kraus Award is presented to Hobart's most outstanding senior athletes.

Senior soccer midfielder Brad Weinberg (below) was presented with the William C. Stiles '43 Memorial Award for leadership, determination, and character, while first-year hockey forward Matthew Wallace was honored with the Abe Solomon Memorial Award as Hobart's Rookie of the Year.

Weinberg and senior Dan Spinella, a member of both the football and lacrosse teams, were recognized with the Joseph N. Abraham Memorial Training Award for persevering through an injury, while the Joe Abraham Prize went to senior hockey forward Brian Cibelli and senior football defensive back James Alexander, for their outstanding service to the athletic programs at Hobart.

The SAA also presented the Dorinne Maxwell Memorial Citizenship Prize to junior hockey defenseman Ryan Adler, whose helping hand has enriched the lives of others, and awarded local businessman Bernie Lynch with the William J. Napier Award for his loyalty and service to Hobart Athletics.

The Co-ECAC West Player of the Year, Houde led the team in power play goals (7), and ranked second in points with 11 goals and 12 assists. He is a two-time all-league selection. The team captain, Houde led

the Statesmen to an 18-8-2 overall record and the program's third trip to the NCAA Tournament. He made his professional debut in the East Coast Hockey League, suiting up for the Johnstown (Pa.) Chiefs on March 28.

Veltman holds Hobart's Division I records for career goals and career points. The three-time All-ECAC selection and 2005 ECAC Rookie of the Year boasts 109 goals and 53 assists for 162 career points. Veltman ranks 15th on the all-time lists for both career goals and career points. After earning honorable mention All-American praise, he was drafted by the MLL's San Francisco Dragons.

A four-year starter on the soccer team, Weinberg has an impressive resume both on and off the pitch. He closed out his career with five goals, including three game-winners, and eight assists. He is a two-time NSCAA All-Northeast Region selection, as well as a three-time All-Liberty League pick. Weinberg also earned ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District second team honors in 2007, and was named to the Liberty League All-Academic Team as a junior and senior. An economics major, Weinberg has earned many other academic accolades, including membership in Phi Beta Kappa and Chimera.

The ECAC West's Rookie of the Year and a member of the ECAC All-Rookie Team, Wallace led the hockey team with 24 points on 14 goals and 10 assists in 24 games. He was named the league's Player of the Week on Nov. 11, after netting a hat



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trick in a win over Western New England, and notching two points in a victory over Wentworth.

Spinella was a fullback on the football team, as well as a faceoff specialist on the lacrosse team. He posted a career faceoff winning percentage of .533, fourth on the Division I list. In 2006, as a sophomore, Spinella won 97 of 157 restarts for a .618 winning percentage that paced the ECAC and ranked him fourth in the nation. On the gridiron, Spinella was a blocking back for a potent offense that broke several team and individual records during his career, while earning four consecutive NCAA Playoff bids.

Over the past four seasons, Cibelli has played in 79 games helping the hockey team make two NCAA Tournament appearances, including a trip to the 2006 semifinals. He amassed 17 goals, including 19 on the power play, and 39 assists.

A *D3football.com* All-American, Alexander enjoyed a phenomenal senior season that saw him finish seventh in the nation in both interceptions (0.7/g) and passes defended (1.9/g). The Liberty League Defensive Player of the Year was a unanimous first team All-Liberty League selection. Alexander finished his career with 142 tackles, 30 pass break ups, and 10 interceptions.

A leader both on and off the ice, Alder spearheaded the development of Hobart Hockey Helpers (HHH), giving the team an opportunity to volunteer and give back to the community. Committed to making as great an impact as possible, Alder went on to partner HHH with the Wounded Warrior Project (WWP), a non-profit organization that aids veterans and their families in the transition back to civilian life. As a fundraiser this season, the hockey team wore special edition camouflage uniforms, featuring the WWP logo, when it played Utica on Feb. 15, raising more than \$6,000 for WWP through raffles and jersey auctions. The \$500 Maxwell Award prize will go directly to the WWP.

Lynch headlined a dedicated group of people, businesses, and institutions that made the recent enclosure of the Geneva Recreation Complex, a.k.a. The Cooler, happen. He was the organizer of the \$1.2 million project that enclosed the last outdoor rink in collegiate hockey, and is a loyal supporter of Hobart Athletics.

Sponsored by the Statesmen Athletic Association—the team behind Hobart's teams—the department's coaching staff also presented individual awards in each of the College's 11 varsity sports, more than 50 in all:

Cross Country



The John L. Brown '32 Award is presented to the member of the cross country team who has shown the most improvement during the season or throughout his career. The award is named for former Hobart cross country and baseball coach, John Brown, and recognizes his dedication to sports and to young people. The award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of Dr. Stergeos G. Arvantides '53. **Alex Bryce '09**

The Charles P. McCoy '68 Award is awarded to the outstanding cross country runner of the year. Donated by the Statesmen Athletic Association. **Ben Flanagan '10**

The Dr. Augustus H. "Gus" Hillman '26 Memorial Award is presented in memory of Gus Hillman for his love of cross country. The award recognizes outstanding sportsmanship, leadership, and determination. The award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of the children and grandchildren of Dr. Hillman, a charter member of the Hobart College Athletic Hall of Fame. **Joe Bochynski '08**

Rookie Award **Ross Hicks '11**

Football



The Tryon Football Award is presented to the outstanding lineman of the Hobart football team whose sportsmanship, team play, and performance have contributed significantly to the team. The award recognizes the devotion of J. Edward "Eddie" Tryon, a teacher of young men and head coach of Hobart football 1946-1962, and has been endowed through the generous loyalty of John B. Phillips '51. **Phill Perkins '08 & Ryan Aruck '09**

The Shirley A. Zornow WS '47 Memorial Award is awarded to the member of the football team who has demonstrated significant improvement, untiring perseverance and the will to win during the football season and over the course of his career. The award recognizes Shirley Zornow and her enthusiasm for and support of the Hobart football program. The Shirley Zornow Memorial Award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of her husband and past president of the Statesmen Athletic Association, F. Ross Zornow '45. **James Wright '08**

Mike Roberti '90 Memorial Award is awarded to the player who, by his character, outstanding

sportsmanship, and positive influence on his fellow players has contributed most to the game. The Roberti Award has been established through the leadership of Tom Bernacki '89 and Tim Kirwan '89, and through the generous loyalty of Mike's teammates and friends. **Justin Hager '09**

The Michael Theodore Silver '39 Memorial Award is presented to the member of the football team whose scholarship, sportsmanship, and perseverance have proved to be superior. The award recognizes the outstanding athletic ability of Ted Silver, his love for the sport of football, and his loyalty to Hobart College. This award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of his brother, Ralph S. Silver Jr. '33. **Dan Spinella '08**

The Harter Family Award is presented to the member of the football team whose love of the game and desire to win is outstanding—"He came to play and he came to win." This award is donated in memory of their father Donald R. Harter '39 through the generous loyalty of Geoff Harter '70 and Pete Harter '68. Don Harter served on the Colleges Board of Trustees from 1964-78, was a charter member of the SAA, and in 1992, he was inducted into the Hobart College Athletic Hall of Fame. **Mike Kaplan '08**

The Robert L. Cullen '37 Memorial Football Award is presented to the member of the football team whose performance on special teams has been inspirational and outstanding. The award recognizes Robert L. Cullen '37 for his contributions to intercollegiate athletics, a long-time coach of football and lacrosse at Cornell University, and as a standout quarterback and defensive back for the Hobart teams of 1934-36. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Donald S. "Bud" Ames, Class of 1964. **Dominick Ancona '08**

The Bill Middleton Memorial Football Award is presented to the member of the football team whose offensive performance has been most valuable to the team and whose character reflects the courage, perseverance, and optimism of William M. Middleton '76. Bill Middleton was a four-year letterman and an outstanding defensive lineman whose inspirational play helped lead the Statesmen to a combined 27-8-1 record from 1972-75. The Middleton Award has been endowed through the thoughtful generosity of 43 of Bill's teammates, coaches, and friends. **Andrew Strom '08**

The Bob Toner Defensive MVP Award was presented for the first time at the 2008 Block H to honor Hobart's longtime equipment coordinator. It's given to the defensive player whose performance on the field has proved to be most valuable to the team. The award was endowed through the generous loyalty of Scott Martin '90, the defensive MVP of the 1989 Hobart football team. **James Alexander '08**

Rookie Award **Kyle O'Laughlin '11**

Golf

The A.H. Beretta Memorial Golf Award is awarded to the golfer whose sense of fair play, performance, and leadership best exemplifies the qualities of Hobart College's long-time administrator and golf coach. Donated by the SAA. **Dan Miller '10**



The O'Connor Golf Award is presented to the Hobart golfer who has demonstrated significant improvement, untiring perseverance, and the will to win during the season or over the course of his career. This award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of Thomas L. O'Connor '95. **Max Nugent '11**

Rookie Award **Max Nugent '11**

Soccer



The Ray Demuth Award is awarded to the member of the soccer team who has demonstrated significant improvement, untiring perseverance, and the will to win during the season or over the course of his career. Named for Raymond W. Demuth, coach of Hobart soccer, 1953-1975, and endowed by Thomas B. Poole '61, captain of the 1960 soccer team. **Greg Davidson '08**

The Stephen R. Murphy '77 Memorial Award is presented to the member of the soccer team whose performance has been most valuable to the team and whose determination and commitment to team play have been inspirational to his teammates and coaches. The award recognizes Steve Murphy for his respect for his fellow competitors and for his love of the sport of soccer. The award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of Anne Cross. **Tyler Webster '09**

The Geoffrey S. Perselay '75 Award is presented to the soccer player whose determination and hard work throughout the season have been inspirational to the team. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Geoff Perselay. **Brad Weinberg '08**

Rookie Award **Justin Dotzman '11**

Basketball



The Kent Butler '54 Memorial Basketball Award is awarded to the member of the basketball team who has demonstrated significant improvement, untiring perseverance and the will to win during the

season or over the course of his career. The award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of Dr. Robert E. Ford '54. **Dan O'Grady '08**

The Statesmen Basketball Award is presented each year to a member of the team whose scholarship, leadership, and all-around value to the squad have proved to be superior. The award is donated by the SAA. **Rob Genovese '08**

The Bob Ford '54 Basketball Award is awarded to the member of the team who has proved to be most valuable. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of the late Dr. Kent H. Butler '54. **John Grazioli '08**

Rookie Award **Rob Estep '11 & Tim Llewellyn '11**

Ice Hockey



The Boswell Award, endowed through the generous loyalty of Charles P. Boswell '50, is presented to the member of the hockey team who has proved to be most valuable to the team. **Shawn Houde '08 & Keith Longo '09**

The D. Michael Hazelton '85 Memorial Award is presented to the member of the ice hockey team who has shown the most improvement. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Robert E. Kandel '65. **Kyle Whitaker '11**

The Holden Award is presented to the member of the ice hockey team whose sportsmanship, character, and leadership have had a significant impact on the Hobart ice hockey program. The award is endowed by Henry R. Holden '63 and Scott W. Holden '84. **Shawn Houde '08**

Rookie Award **Matthew Wallace '11**

Squash



The Dr. Frank P. Smith '36 Memorial Award is awarded for leadership in Hobart Squash Racquets. The award was donated by the SAA. **Graham Gardiner '08 & Cale Forgues '09**

The Most Improved Player Award is donated by the SAA. **Alex Khaddar '10**

The R. Chapin Siebert '75 Memorial Squash Trophy Award is named in memory of R. Chapin "Chape" Siebert '75 in recognition of his love for the sport of squash. Chape earned four varsity letters in squash, captained the 1974 and 1975 teams, and received the Dr. Frank P. Smith '36

Squash Trophy Award in 1975. It is with great pride that his sister Margaret Boucher and former teammates Robert W. Loring '73 and Sherman C. Bedford '73 have endowed this award. **Kenny O'Connor '09**

Rookie Award **Nadav Tannen '11**

Rowing



The Weiskittel Crew Award is presented to the oarsman who, in his all-around performance, has proven to be most valuable to his team. The award was endowed through the generous loyalty of Ford Weiskittel, who founded modern rowing at Hobart in 1982 after a lapse of nearly 100 years and who was the team's first coach. **Richard Klein '08**

The Most Improved Rower Award is endowed through the generous loyalty of Robert E. Kandel '65. **Alexander Kahn '09**

The Charles "Chip" Hart '90 Award is presented to the oarsman whose determination and commitment have been inspirational to the team. This award recognizes Chip Hart for his dedication to the Friends of Hobart Rowing and is donated by the SAA. **Andrew Meunier '08**

Rookie Award **Class of 2011**

Lacrosse (awarded after the May 2 Cornell game)
The Lt. John Vandeverg '50 Memorial Award, donated by the SAA, is presented to the lacrosse player showing the most improvement. **Dan Spinella '08**

The Crook Family Award is presented to the member of the lacrosse team whose leadership, outstanding play, sportsmanship, and all-around value to the team have proved to be superior. The award has been endowed in honor of his family through the generous loyalty of D. Clifford Crook III '63. **Rafe Mattingly '08**

The Kent W. Marbury '62 Memorial Award is presented to a member of the lacrosse team who, through dedication and hard work, best exemplifies the characteristics of Kent Marbury. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of David & Judy Paragamian. **Sean Murphy '08**

The C.R.A.G. Outstanding Defensive Player Award is presently to a member of the lacrosse team in recognition of his outstanding defensive play. The award recognizes the starting defense of the 1972 Statesmen—Hobart's first national championship team. The award has been endowed through the generous loyalty of the four athletes who comprised one of the most outstanding defensive units in the rich history of Hobart lacrosse: goalie Dave Creighton '72, defensemen Bob Raleigh '73, Tim Anderson '73 and Tom Gaggin '72. **Matt Smalley '09**



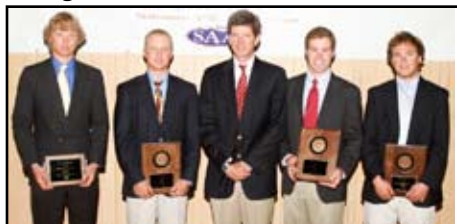
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The Van Arsdale Award is presented to the member of the lacrosse team whose scholarship, leadership, and determination have proved to be superior. This award recognizes William Van Arsdale, a great friend to Hobart lacrosse, and his sons, Guy Van Arsdale '83 and Marc Van Arsdale '85, both lacrosse All-Americans at Hobart. The award is endowed through the generous loyalty of John Phillips '51. **Jamie Kirk '08**

The William H. Dobbin '40 Memorial Award is presented to the player who, through his contributions to the team and achievements as an offensive player, best reflects the skills of Hobart Hall of Famer Bill Dobbin and the impact this great attackman had on the College and the sport of lacrosse. It is endowed through the generous loyalty of Richard J. Lyttle '41. **Daryl Veltman '08**

Rookie Award **Alex Caton '11**

Sailing



The Most Valuable Sailor Award is presented to the sailor who has proved to be most valuable in his all-around performance to the team. The award is donated by the SAA. **Jay Mills '08**

The Most Improved Sailor Award is donated by the SAA. **Josh Parks '09**

The Class of 1994 Award is presented to the member of the sailing team who exhibited an extraordinary commitment to the welfare of the team, who through the donation of time and effort beyond practice, while not apparent in mere racing performance, ensured the current and future success of the sailing team. It is donated by the members of the Sailing Team Classes of 1994. **Dan Thompson '08**

Rookie Award **David Thompson '11**

Tennis



The Myron V. Jacobs '37 Award is awarded to the member of the tennis team who has demonstrated excellence as a player and as a citizen of the College community. The award is named for Myron V. Jacobs '37 in recognition of his loyalty to Hobart College and his love for tennis, and is endowed through the generous loyalty of his nephew, Perry M. Jacobstein '61. **Charlie Davis '08**

The William A. Walley '61 Tennis Award—endowed through the generous loyalty of William A. Walley, captain of the 1961 tennis team—is presented to a member of the team who best exemplifies the tenets of good sportsmanship, team work, individual play, and leadership. **Adam Cohn '09**

Rookie Award **Harry King '11**