Hall of Fame and Homecoming 2012

Homecoming Weekend (Oct. 26-27) was full of numerous and varied activities. UChicago’s Athletics Hall of Fame kicked off the weekend on Friday evening with its 10th class of inductees, which included Dennis Ball (soccer), Tom Haxton (cross country, track), Dale Letts (track), Tom Lisco (swimming) and Neal Rodak (wrestling). Approximately 190 attendees filled Hutchinson Commons for the dinner and induction ceremony.

The next day, the UChicago campus saw a large crowd come out for the first-annual Homecoming Block Party. Numerous tents, stages and activities lined 56th Street behind Stagg Field as the day featured tug-of-war, live music, food, face painting, play areas for kids and plenty of giveaways.

Despite the 28-15 loss in Saturday’s football game against Case Western Reserve University, it was a festive weekend for all.

President’s Post

The Fall Quarter has been highly successful for Maroon athletics, as enthusiastically supported by the Order of the C. New developments are highlighted throughout this newsletter.

Our annual Career Night was organized by Tom Costello and held on November 7, with “C” men from a variety of business and career paths sharing their insights and experiences with the undergraduate athletes, all of which resulted in a great event. The Hall of Fame dinner was once again extremely well attended and a great experience for all inductees, family members and teammates. The Homecoming celebration the next day was one of the best ever. Enjoy the pictures of these events in this newsletter, as well as all of the honors bestowed upon our athletes.

As for upcoming events, on March 14 we will be jointly sponsoring with the Graduate Women’s Athletic Association another festive alumni gathering at Old Town Social, which will again provide a great opportunity to celebrate U of C athletics. February 9-10 will be the Basketball Alumni Weekend, with the Alumni Game on Saturday and the reunion brunch on Sunday prior to the varsity game. The annual reception honoring graduating “C” men will be held at the University Club on June 13. We look forward to your attendance and participation.

Please continue your support of our great programs by attending games and meets, both in Chicago and elsewhere, and also participate in the food and clothing drive put on by the Undergraduate Order of the C. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments and suggestions at dwaldon@lwblaw.com. Thanks very much!

Dennis Waldon, President
Graduate Order of the “C”
A Facebook photo album (courtesy of the UChicago Alumni office) can be found at the following link: http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.480118365362503.108244.164311386943204&type=3

UChicago lab school alumni (L-R): Bill Gray, John Davey, Mitchell Watkins, John Rogers, and Arne Duncan.

Co-Athletic Director Brian Baldea

Tom Haxton

Neal Rodak

Master of Ceremonies Lester Munson

Hutchinson Commons
Football

The Chicago football team placed 19 players on the 2012 All-UAA Teams. Additionally, freshman cornerback Vincent Beltrano was recognized as UAA Rookie of the Year.

Kicker/punter Jeff Sauer earned a Third Team All-America selection from Beyond Sports Network. Sauer finished his senior season ranked No. 3 in NCAA Division III with a punt average of 42.2 yards. As a kicker, Sauer set the school’s single-season record with 12 field goals.

Tight end Brandon Meckelberg was named Second Team All-North Region by D3Football.com. Meckelberg ranked second on the team with a career-best 37 catches for 475 yards and five touchdowns.

Senior wide receiver Dee Brizzolara wrapped up his stellar career at UChicago with his fourth All-UAA honor. The co-captain led NCAA Division III with 3,352 receiving yards over his four years. He is the school’s career leader in receiving yards, receiving touchdowns (39), points scored (270), and all-purpose yards (6,019).

Cross Country

Billy Whitmore earned All-American status for the second-straight season with an 11th-place finish at the NCAA Division III Championship. The senior ran a time of 24:47.6 over the 8K course in a field of 280 runners. Whitmore is the fifth All-American in school history and the third to achieve multiple All-American accolades.

Soccer

UChicago’s soccer team had five men voted onto the 2012 UAA All-Association Team. Two Maroons placed on the Second Team All-UAA. Sophomore midfielder Michael Choquette, who was named UAA Rookie of the Year last season, ended up with three goals and two assists. Sophomore forward Kyle Kurfirst ranked second on the team in points with four goals and three assists.

Three more UChicago athletes were Honorable Mentions on the list - freshman midfielder Jorge Bilbao, freshman goalie David Cohen and junior defender Alexis Onfroy. Bilbao was also named UAA Rookie of the Year after leading the Maroons in scoring with nine goals and three assists in his collegiate-debut season.
New Position for Tom Weingartner

After serving 22 years as UChicago Athletic Director, Tom Weingartner continues to serve our program as the Director of Athletics Alumni Relations and Annual Giving. In that capacity, he will be working with all athletics alumni to improve alumni communications and engagement – particularly through our Team Representatives structure – while finding ways to better support Chicago athletes through annual giving.

UAA Silver Anniversary Teams

In honor of its silver anniversary, the University Athletic Association announced its 25th Anniversary teams for fall and winter sports. UChicago placed 38 total athletes on the teams.


Soccer (3): Pat Barry, Alex Clifford, Dan Dalton.

Men’s Basketball (5): Nate Hainje, Aaron Horne, Rusty Loyd, Derek Reich, Andy Strommen.

Annual Food and Clothing Drive

Please support the Undergraduate Order of the C’s annual food and clothing drive to benefit the pantry at St. Columbanus Catholic Church (331 East 71st Street), which serves over 500 families every week. Food and clothing donations may be brought to the Ratner Center on February 1, 2013 beginning at 6 PM, with the start of the women’s basketball game, and continuing through the end of the men’s game that night. Any questions can be answered by Denver Barrows, the Undergraduate OOC President, at dbarrows@uchicago.edu.

Save the Dates

February 9-10: Basketball Alumni Weekend

Alumni Game on Saturday, reunion brunch on Sunday

March 14: OOC and WAA alumni gathering

Old Town Social (455 W. North Avenue, Chicago, IL)

June 13: OOC graduation celebration at the University Club
**Basketball**

- **Thu Nov. 15** Maranatha Baptist W 81-52
- **Sat Nov. 17** Southwestern (Texas) W 74-71
- **Sun Nov. 18** Trinity (Texas) W 64-49
- **Sat Nov. 24** Augustana L 52-70
- **Wed Nov. 28** Wheaton L 52-64
- **Sat Dec. 1** at Kalamazoo W 76-73
- **Sat Dec. 15** at Illinois Wesleyan 3 PM
- **Sun Dec. 16** Dominican 7 PM
- **Fri Dec. 28** vs. Albion (Cleveland, Ohio) 6 PM (ET)
- **Sat Dec. 29** vs. Alma (Cleveland, Ohio) 4 PM (ET)
- **Sat Jan. 5** at Washington-St. Louis * 3 PM
- **Fri Jan. 11** at Rochester * 8 PM (ET)
- **Sun Jan. 13** at Emory * 12 PM (ET)
- **Fri Jan. 18** Brandeis * 8 PM
- **Sun Jan. 20** at NYU * 12 PM
- **Fri Jan. 25** at Case-Western Reserve * 8 PM (ET)
- **Sun Jan. 27** at Carnegie Mellon * 12 PM (ET)
- **Fri Feb. 1** at Case-Western Reserve * 8 PM
- **Sun Feb. 3** at Carnegie Mellon * 12 PM
- **Fri Feb. 8** at Rochester * 8 PM
- **Sun Feb. 10** at Emory * 12 PM
- **Fri Feb. 15** at Brandeis * 8 PM (ET)
- **Sun Feb. 17** at NYU * 12 PM (ET)
- **Sat Feb. 23** at Washington-St. Louis * 3 PM

**Wrestling**

- **Thu Nov. 8** at Wheaton W 24-21
- **Sat Nov. 10** Elmhurst L 3-32
- **Wed Nov. 14** North Central W 34-7
- **Sat Nov. 17** at Concordia (Wis.) Open No team scores
- **F-S Dec. 29-30** at Midlands 9 AM / 11 AM
- **Sat Jan. 5** at Knox Duals 9 AM
- **Sat Jan. 19** at Elmhurst Invitational 9 AM
- **F-S Feb. 1-2** at Wheaton Invitational 11 AM / 9 AM
- **Fri Feb. 8** at Augustana 7 PM
- **Sat Feb. 16** UAA Championship 11 AM
- **Sat Mar. 2** at NCAA Great Lakes Regional 9 AM
- **F-S Mar. 15-16** at NCAA D3 Championships TBA

**Swimming**

- **Sat Oct. 27** Wheaton W 166-65
- **Sat Nov. 3** at Washington-St. Louis W 175-119
- **Sat Nov. 10** vs. UIC/IIT/Butler (Div. II) No team score
- **F-S Nov. 16-18** Phoenix Fall Classic 1st of 11 teams
- **F-S Jan. 11-12** Chicago Invitational TBA
- **Sat Jan. 19** Wisconsin-Milwaukee 11 AM
- **Sat Jan. 26** at DePauw 12 PM
- **W-S Feb. 13-16** UAA Championship TBA
- **F-S Feb. 22-23** Midwest Invitational TBA
- **F-S Mar. 1-2** at NCAA Diving Zones TBA
- **W-S Mar. 20-23** at NCAA D3 Championships TBA

**Indoor Track & Field**

- **Sat Jan. 12** Wisconsin-Oshkosh 12 PM
- **Sat Jan. 19** at Illinois Wesleyan Triangular 11 AM
- **Sat Jan. 26** Chicago Duals 11:30 AM
- **Fri Feb. 1** at Wisconsin Whitewater Invitational 5 PM
- **Sat Feb. 9** at Chicagoland Championships 11 AM
- **Sat Feb. 16** Margaret Bradley Invitational 11:30 AM
- **S-S Feb. 23-24** at UAA Championships TBA
- **Fri Mar. 1** at North Central Last Chance TBA
- **F-S Mar. 8-9** at NCAA D3 Championships TBA

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Import UChicago Sports Schedules Into Your Favorite Calendar Applications

Available in iCalendar (.ics) format, UChicago sports schedules can be downloaded and imported into a variety of calendar applications at:

[athletics.uchicago.edu/schedules/schedules.htm](http://athletics.uchicago.edu/schedules/schedules.htm)

To download a schedule, select a sport, then follow the instructions below to import the schedule into Apple iCal (Mac), Microsoft Outlook 2007 (Windows), and Google Calendar.
Stay Connected with UChicago Athletics

athletics.uchicago.edu is the athletic department’s official website.

In addition to providing news and information about varsity athletics, the site also provides details about the department’s other offerings such as facilities, summer camps, aquatics, personal training & wellness, and promotions.

It is also the place to go for live streaming video of dozens of home athletic events.

Social media enthusiasts can join nearly 2,100 other Maroon fans at: Facebook.com/chicagomaroons

and approximately 1,100 followers at: Twitter.com/chicagomaroons.

In addition to offering information, photos, and videos not available on the athletics website, both sites provide users an opportunity to connect with fellow Chicago Maroon supporters.