



# ATHLETICS NEWSLETTER

## A NEW BEGINNING

### ACP to enter new conferences in 2007-08

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#### GOALS OF THE ACP ATHLETICS NEWSLETTER

- To update alumni on athletic events
- To provide opportunities for alumni to be involved
- To provide information on future alumni events
- To provide schedules, game recaps, and other athletic information

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On Tuesday, September 11, the Albany College of Pharmacy athletic teams found a new home.

As of the beginning of the 2008-09 academic year, the ACP men's basketball and soccer teams will compete in the Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference while the women's basketball and soccer teams will compete in the Hudson Valley Women's Athletic Conference.

ACP was accepted into the HVWAC and HVMAC by a majority vote from current conference members.

"I am honored for ACP to be a part of the new conferences," said Coordinator of Athletics Ryan Venter. "Both the HVWAC and the HVMAC will provide good competition and increased opportunities for our student-athletes."

After the Northern Independence Conference folded after the 2006-07 season, a new conference was necessary for the athletic teams at ACP. For the current season, ACP is not a member of a conference.



#### HVMAC—Men's Soccer Teams (07-08)

- Culinary Institute of America
- Cooper Union
- Webb Institute
- Mt. St. Vincent

#### HVMAC—Men's Basketball teams (07-08)

- Saint Joseph's (NY)
- Berkeley
- Mt. St. Vincent (JV)
- Pratt Institute

#### HVWAC—Women's Soccer Teams (07-08)

- College of Staten Island
- Mt. St. Vincent
- Medgar Evers
- CCNY
- College of St. Elizabeth

#### HVWAC—Women's Basketball Teams (07-08)

- Mt. St. Vincent
- St. Joseph's (NY)
- College of St. Elizabeth
- Yeshiva
- College of New Rochelle



## New women's basketball coach

Albany College of Pharmacy has named a new women's basketball coach.

Scott Hildreth, an assistant women's coach at the State University of New York at Plattsburgh during the 2004-2006 seasons, takes over a program that has gone 80-25 over the past five seasons and won four consecutive championships in the Northern Independence Conference. The Panthers were 15-3 in 2006-07.

"I look forward to working with this group of student-athletes," Hildreth said. "I feel I'm up for the challenge of maintaining ACP's level of excellence."

Before joining the Plattsburgh staff in 2004, Hildreth worked as the women's head coach at Scotia-Glenville (N.Y.) High School from 2003-2004 and at St. Johnsville Central School (N.Y.) from 2001-2003.



Scott Hildreth

A native New Yorker, Hildreth received his undergraduate degree in business administration from the University of Pennsylvania at California. He also earned his master's degree in counseling from the College of Saint Rose and attended high school at Scotia-Glenville High School.

The ACP women's basketball team opens the 2007-08 season with a home game against Davis College on Tuesday, November 6. For the full 2007-08 schedule, please visit the ACP Athletics website.

## ATHLETE OF THE MONTH Sarah Gruber

Gruber entered her final season on the ACP soccer team as the fourth leading scorer in the College's history, and continues to work her way up the list.

After missing the season opening game at SUNY Delhi due to an ankle injury, Gruber returned to the squad to face SUNY Cobleskill. In a double overtime thriller, Gruber scored the game-winning goal after putting in a volley from about 30 yards out to give ACP a 2-1 victory.

Gruber also scored a goal and had an assist in the Panthers' 2-1 victory at SUNY Institute of Technology on Sept. 16.

As of publication ACP is 4-2 on the season.



**SARAH GRUBER '09**

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# Mario M. Zeolla, '97

## Albert M. White Hall of Fame Inductee, 2005

The entire ACP Community, including the Department of Athletics and all student-athletes, was extremely saddened to here of the loss of ACP professor and former soccer player Mario Zeolla.

Mario was a five-year member of the ACP men's soccer team and was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2005.

Even while working as a professor, Mario would often attend soccer games at ACP and was an annual participant in the Alumni game held at the College.

A scholarship for a men's soccer player has been created by ACP to honor the contributions of Mario.



Mario participating in the 2005 Alumni Game

## CLUB CORNER

### LACROSSE CLUB:

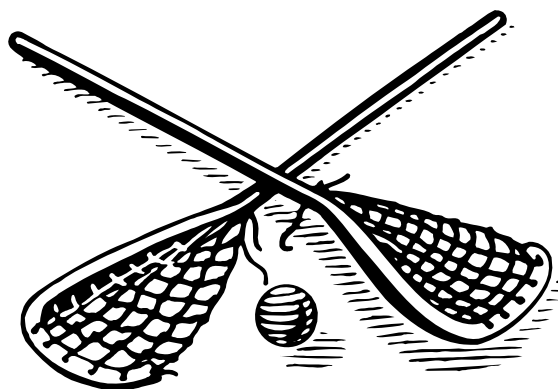
The ACP lacrosse club has a scrimmage scheduled with the club team at SUNY New Paltz on October 20. The club is also looking to schedule additional scrimmages in the Spring.

**President:** Justin Thompson '12

### TENNIS CLUB:

The ACP tennis club is in the process of organizing a student vs. faculty/staff tournament at ACP to raise money for charity. Twice a week the club is playing at local outdoor tennis courts.

**President:** Lisa Murphy '09



## Letter from the AD

Dear ACP Athletics alumni:

I am thrilled that ACP has recently been admitted to the Hudson Valley Men's Athletic Conference and the Hudson Valley Women's Athletic Conference. For many reasons, I believe this is a good change for the College and for our

student-athletes.

I encourage those of you who wish to know more about the conferences to visit the respective websites at [www.hvwac.net](http://www.hvwac.net) and [www.hvmac.net](http://www.hvmac.net) (the links will be up and running at some point in early October).

Stay in touch!

### GO PANTHERS!

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ALUMNI GAME DATES!!

Women's Soccer:

Sunday, 9/30/07, noon

Men's Soccer:

Sunday, 9/30/07, 2:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball:

Saturday, 10/27/07, noon

Men's Basketball:

Saturday, 10/27/07, 1:30 p.m.



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