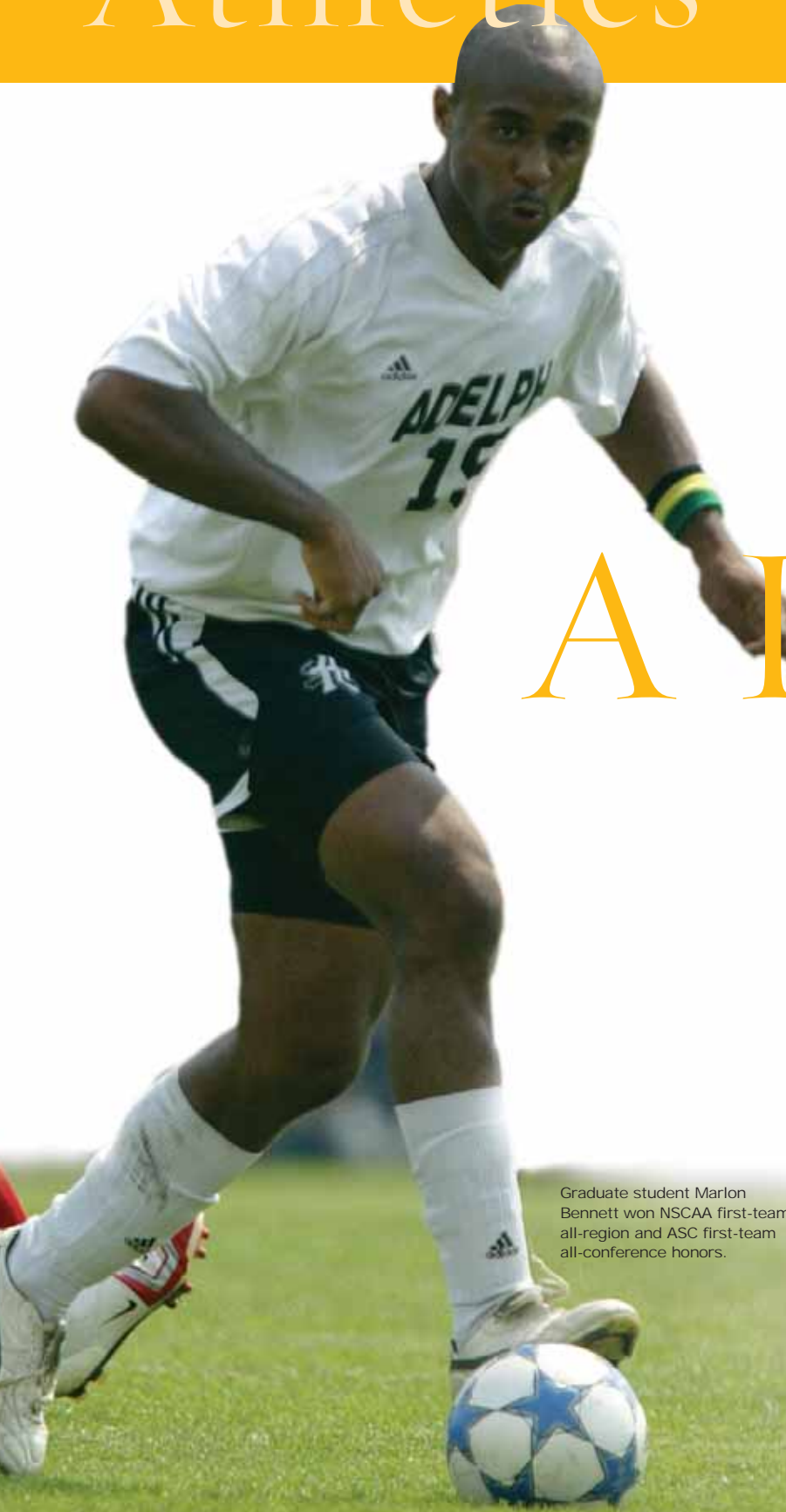


Athletics



Graduate student Marlon Bennett won NSCAA first-team all-region and ASC first-team all-conference honors.

Fall 2006 marked the best season in more than a decade for the Adelphi men's soccer team, which captured its first Atlantic Soccer Conference (ASC) regular season and tournament title, and secured its first National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) Division I tournament appearance since 1992.

A Banner Season FOR MEN'S SOCCER

"It was great to see this program get back to the NCAA's," says Associate Dean and Director of Intercollegiate Athletics and Recreation Athletics Director Robert Hartwell. "Winning the conference title added to the history of our program. The team's success brought out the best in everyone, as I saw firsthand on the fan bus to and from the tournament match in Providence."

The team posted a double-digit win total for the first time since 2000, winning a conference best 11 games and achieving a record of 11-7-1.

Head men's soccer coach Robert Montgomery '75, M.A. '84 also passed a milestone, collecting his 250th career victory in Adelphi's 1-0 win over Monmouth University on September 16, 2006. He was named ASC Coach of the Year for guiding Adelphi to its ASC crown.

For their play in the regular season, graduate students Marlon Bennett and Michael Hurley '06, along with Patrick Figueiredo '09 and Val Charalambous '10 earned first-team all-conference honors. Ron Forman '07 and Oliver Skelding '07 were second-team selections.




The men's soccer team captures its first ASC regular season tournament title.

Adelphi drew Brown University in the first round of the NCAA Division I tournament and traveled to Providence, Rhode Island on a crisp, clear November morning for the match. Despite the enthusiastic support of fans, who filled their own bus to Brown, Adelphi fell behind early and could not recover, dropping the match 4-1.

Coach Montgomery took the loss in stride.

"Winning the Atlantic Soccer Conference regular season and tournament championship was satisfying for all involved in the program," he says. "The loss at Brown was disappointing, but the tournament experience will help to motivate this young team for next year."

In another show of the team's strength, four players—the most since 1983—earned National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) all-region honors. Mr. Bennett and Mr. Figueiredo earned first-team all-region honors, while Mr. Hurley was named a second-team honoree, and Mr. Skelding garnered third-team accolades. 

– By Adam Siepiola

HALL OF FAME

Founded in 1961, the Adelphi University Athletic Hall of Fame honors athletes, coaches, and friends who have distinguished themselves during their time at the University and thereafter. Honorees are recognized at the Hall of Fame dinner in April.

Congratulations to the 2006 and 2007 inductees and award winners.

2007 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

- Thomas Aiello '93 (Lacrosse)
- the late Albert Angelone '60 (Legends Inductee)
- Nicholas Clark '99 (Baseball)
- Thomas Liotti '70 (Swimming)
- Bill Irwin (Swim Coach)
- William Phillips '78 (Soccer/Track)
- Kelly Rohan (Roche) '90 (Soccer)
- Susan Tarzian (Kane) '82 (Tennis/Field Hockey)

WOODRUFF LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

for excellence in coaching, teaching, and educating young adults

John DiRico, Dowling College Head Men's Soccer Coach

FRANK CASSELL MEMORIAL AWARD

for extraordinary contributions made to Adelphi Athletics

Curtis Minnis '76

2006 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

- Artie Benoit '59 (Basketball)
- Constantine Dodos '66 (Soccer)
- Robert J. Eitel '53 (Football)
- Danny Gimpel '97 (Basketball)
- Paul Nussbaum '89, M.A. '97 (Swimming)
- Kevin Price '78 (Track and Field)
- Dr. Sue Tendy '70 (Swimming)

WOODRUFF LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

James Jones, Head Men's Basketball Coach at Yale University
Joseph Jones, Head Men's Basketball Coach at Columbia University

FRANK CASSELL MEMORIAL AWARD

Kathleen Petronis, Commerce Bank Garden City Branch Manager



Cross Country and Track at 60



A GOOD RUN

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the start of cross country and track and field at Adelphi. Anniversary celebrations are planned for **Saturday, November 3, 2007**. Adelphi alumni are invited to cheer on the Panthers at the NCAA Division II Northeast Cross Country Regional, which Adelphi is hosting in Van Cortland Park in Bronx, New York. An evening reception for alumni and students will be held on campus.

Overall

1968

Legendary Track and Field Coach Ron Bazil M.A. '72 appointed.

1970

First Adelphi athletes to earn NCAA All-America Honors (Bill McPherson, Clyde McPherson '72, Kit Pratt, and Dennis Walker '73)

1983


Most recent Adelphi Athlete to earn NCAA All-America Honors (Gordon Hines)



Lauren Flanagan '08 (center) collects items from Tomasz Walczak '09 (left) and Amanda Rodriguez '09 (right) for the Salvation Army during a men's basketball game.

Panthers Extend a Paw to the Needy

Adelphi sports fans lent a helping hand by donating seven computer-sized boxes of toiletries and paper products to the Salvation Army in Hempstead, New York. Last February, the Department of Athletics, in conjunction with its CHAMPS (Challenging Athletes' Minds for Personal Success)/Life Skills program, collected items such as shampoo and conditioner, baby wipes, soap, toothpaste, lotion, razors, toilet paper, and paper towels during all home basketball games and in receptacles dispersed around campus for the needy, as these items are typically not covered by government assistance.

The Panthers' dedication to community service proves that Adelphi student-athletes are CHAMPS both on and off the field. 

- By Erin Walsh

Cross Country

1975

First Men's NCAA Division II Championship Appearance

1996

First Men's East Coast Conference (ECC) Team Championship

1996-2001

Adelphi's longest ECC Championship winning streak

1998

First Male ECC Individual Champion (Paul Hargrove '01, M.A. '06)

2000

First Female ECC Individual Champion (Alethia Ali '04, M.A. '05)

First Women's ECC Team Championship

2001

Most Recent Male ECC Individual Champion (Ryan Soltan '05, M.A. '07)

First Women's NCAA Division II Championship Appearance

2002

Most Recent ECC Individual Champion (Stephanie Henderson)

Most Recent Women's NCAA Division II Championship Appearance

2006

Most Recent Men's and Women's ECC Championship Titles

Indoor Track

1951-1955

The indoor track team wins the 1951 Small College Championship title and captures the Collegiate Track Conference title for three successive years, from 1952-1955.

1971

First NCAA Relay Title (Mile Relay—Keith Davis '74, Ray Lee '74, Clyde McPherson '72, and Dennis Walker '73)

Set World Record in the Mile Relay (3:12.2—Keith Davis '74, Clyde McPherson '72, Larry Ross '74, and Dennis Walker '73)

1972

Most Recent NCAA Relay Title (Mile Relay—Keith Davis '74, Ray Lee '74, Clyde McPherson '72, and Dennis Walker '73)

1974

Most Recent Men's NCAA Championship Appearance

1979

June Griffith-Collison '81, M.B.A. '84 sets 440-yard world record.

Outdoor Track

1949-1953

The outdoor track team garnered two consecutive Metropolitan Small College honors (1949-1950 and 1950-1951 seasons). The 1951-1952 and 1952-1953 squads were named Collegiate Track Conference titlists.

1970

First NCAA Division II Individual Title (440-Yard Dash, 46.2 seconds—Clyde McPherson '72)

First NCAA Division II Relay Title (Mile Relay—Bill McPherson, Clyde McPherson '72, Kit Pratt, and Dennis Walker '73)

1978

Most Recent NCAA Division II Relay Title (440-Yard Relay—Ronald Clarke '80, M.S. '83; Robert Gregory '78; Steve McBride '78; and Arnold Sobers '79, M.B.A. '81)

1983

Most Recent NCAA Division II Individual Title (800-Meter Run, 1:50.97—Gordon Hines)

- By Adam Siepiola