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### NCAC Men's Soccer Special

### **NORTH COAST ANNOUNCES MEN'S SOCCER PLAYERS OF THE YEAR; WITTENBERG'S BORLAND, KENYON'S FISCHER TAKE TOP HONORS**

**For Immediate Release  
November 25, 2008**

**CLEVELAND** -- Wittenberg senior **Matt Borland (Kettering, OH/Alter)** and Kenyon junior **Jeremy Fischer (Los Angeles, CA/Harvard-Westlake)** have been honored for outstanding seasons by being named North Coast Athletic Conference Offensive and Defensive Players of the Year.

Borland, a forward, wins the offensive award for the second straight year. He earned his third consecutive All-NCAC first-team award after taking second-team honors as a freshman in 2005. He is the only senior amongst this year's all-league honorees to earn All-NCAC status in each of his four playing seasons. Borland led the NCAC with 13 assists and was second in the conference with 1.35 points per game after scoring 27 points over 20 contests. He notched seven goals and helped lead the Tigers to a 16-4-1 record this fall - the best in school history. Wittenberg finished the regular season tied for second place in the conference standings with a 6-3 mark. The Tigers advanced to the NCAC tournament championship for the first time and also earned their first berth in the NCAA Tournament since 1996, their fifth national appearance overall.

Fischer, a defender, led a solid Lord defense and also proved to be an offensive threat out of the back. Voted the Kenyon MVP in 2007, he accumulated the third-highest point total among Kenyon players this fall, notching four goals and chipping in two assists. He leads all of the first-team defensive players in scoring this season and picked up his second consecutive All-NCAC first team nod. Fischer helped the Lords to a fourth-place finish in the NCAC standings and a berth in the conference tournament for the second straight season.

Wooster freshman goalkeeper **Taylor Tackacs (Gibsonia, PA/Sewickley Academy)** is the North Coast's Newcomer of the Year. One of only two freshman named to the All-NCAC second team, Tackacs led the conference in saves (84), saves per game (5.25), saves percentage (.848) and posted a sterling 1.04 goals against average. He anchored a Fighting Scot defense that led the NCAC with 103 saves, ranked second in goals allowed (1.35) and third in goals against average (1.22).

Hiram's **Carl Capellas** has been named Coach of the Year for the first time after guiding his team to a second-place tie in the NCAC standings. The Terriers' posted their third straight winning season under Capellas and their best finish since joining the NCAC in 1999. Hiram compiled a 6-3 conference mark, 13-6 overall, and gained its first berth in the NCAC post-season tournament. Capellas is 43-39-9 (.522) in his five years at the helm of the Terrier men's program.

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### **ALL-NCAC MEN'S SOCCER SQUAD ANNOUNCED**

**For Immediate Release  
November 19, 2008**

**CLEVELAND** -- Seven players from North Coast Athletic Conference regular season and tournament champion Ohio Wesleyan were named to the 2008 All-NCAC men's soccer squad, after voting by the conference's 10 head coaches. The Battling Bishops rolled to a perfect 9-0 record over conference play to earn their 17th conference title; they followed that with their seventh NCAC tournament championship. Ohio Wesleyan is still alive in the NCAA Division III tournament and will face top-ranked Trinity (TX) in a sectional semifinal game on Saturday, Nov. 22.

Sophomore forward **Tyler Wall (Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington)** leads a trio of Bishop' first-team selections. He makes his second straight appearance on the first team after leading OWU in scoring with 23 points in 23 games thus far on nine goals and five assists. Sophomore midfielder **Brian Greene (Beavercreek, OH/Beavercreek)** makes his first-team debut, while junior defender **Kevin McGowan (Cincinnati, OH/Oak Hills)** jumps to the top squad after second-team recognition last fall. Sophomore midfielder **Ryan Harmanis (Hilliard, OH/Davidson)** and senior defender **T.J. Trigg (Westerville, OH.North)** earned second-team nods. Freshman forward **Matt Bonfini (Dublin, OH/Coffman)** and junior defender **Matt Giannetti (Montclair, NJ/Montclair)** round out the OWU all-conference selections with honorable mention awards.

Hiram and Kenyon also placed three athletes on the All-NCAC first team, including repeat first-team selections **Nick Gdanetz (McKean, PA/Erie Catholic Prep)** from the Terriers and sophomore midfielder **Felix Hofmann (Bergheim, Germany/Trinity Pawling)**, the 2007 North Coast Newcomer of the Year, and junior defender **Jeremy Fischer (Los Angeles, CA/Harvard-Westlake)** from the Lords. Kenyon sophomore forward **Miguel Barrera (Austin, TX/St. Michael's Catholic)** and Hiram junior defender **David Mason (Akron, OH/Archbishop Hoban)** move up to the first team after earning second-team status last year. Hiram senior goalkeeper **Nate Rausch (Cuyahoga Falls, OH/Cuyahoga Falls)** earns his first All-NCAC award.

North Coast tournament runner-up Wittenberg had a pair of senior forwards nominated to the first team. **Matt Borland (Kettering, OH/Alter)**, the 2007 Offensive Player of the Year, earns his third consecutive first-team award after taking second-team honors as a freshman in 2005. He is the only senior amongst this year's honorees to earn All-NCAC status in each of his four playing seasons. Classmate **Shane Price (Minford, OH/Minford)** makes his second straight first-team appearance after earning second-team honors in 2006.

Allegheny senior midfielder **Nathanial Yates (Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Hts.)** and Denison senior defender **David Folt (Hudson, OH/Hudson)** round out the 2008 first-team selections. Yates is a three-time All-NCAC performer. He jumps to the first team after a second-team selection two years ago and an honorable-mention award as a freshman. Folt picks up his third straight first-team honor; he was the 2006 Defensive Player of the Year.

The NCAC will announce the winners of its individual awards after balloting by league coaches.

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## 2008 ALL-NCAC MEN'S SOCCER

**CLEVELAND** -- The following performers have earned All-North Coast Athletic Conference honors for the 2008 season through balloting by the NCAC men's soccer coaches.

### FIRST TEAM

<b>Forward</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Yr.</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>PPG</b>	<b>Hometown/High School</b>
Miguel Barrera ●	Kenyon	So.	7	4	0.95	Austin, TX/St. Michael's Catholic
Matt Borland +\$^	Wittenberg	Sr.	7	13	1.35	Kettering, OH/Alter
Shane Price %^	Wittenberg	Sr.	13	2	1.33	Minford, OH/Minford
Tyler Wall ^	Ohio Wesleyan	So.	9	5	1.00	Columbus, OH/Upper Arlington
<b>Midfield</b>						
Nick Gdanetz ^	Hiram	Jr.	8	4	1.05	McKeen, PA/Erie Cathedral Prep
Brian Greene	Ohio Wesleyan	So.	7	1	0.65	Beavercreek, OH/Beavercreek
Felix Hoffmann ^	Kenyon	So.	9	2	1.11	Bergheim, Germany/Trinity-Pawling
Nathaniel Yates @%	Allegheny	Sr.	2	3	0.44	Cleveland Hts., OH/Cleveland Hts.
<b>Defender</b>						
Jeremy Fischer ^	Kenyon	Jr.	4	2	0.53	Los Angeles, CA/Harvard-Westlake
David Folt \$^	Denison	Sr.	0	0	0.00	Hudson, OH/Hudson
David Mason ●	Hiram	Jr.	0	1	0.06	Akron, OH/Archbishop Hoban
Kevin McGowan ●	Ohio Wesleyan	Jr.	0	0	0.00	Cincinnati, OH/Oak Hills
<b>Goalkeeper</b>						
Nate Rausch	Hiram	Sr.	<b>GA</b> 21	<b>SV</b> 78	<b>GAA</b> 1.32	Cuyahoga Falls, OH/Cuyahoga Falls

**Offensive Player of the Year:** Matt Borland, Wittenberg

**Defensive Player of the Year:** Jeremy Fischer, Kenyon

**Newcomer of the Year:** Taylor Tackacs, Wooster

**Coach of the Year:** Carl Capellas, Hiram

### SECOND TEAM

<b>Forward</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Yr.</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>PPG</b>	<b>Hometown/High School</b>
Bannett Asingura ●	Earlham	So.	9	5	1.28	Mbarara, Uganda/United World College
Victor Anciano +	Earlham	Sr.	9	10	1.65	San Antonio-Altos, Venezuela/Armand Hammer
Skyler Dum ●	Oberlin	Jr.	10	2	1.16	Milford, MI/Detroit Catholic Central
Petar Knezevic	Hiram	So.	10	3	1.21	Akron, OH/Ellet
<b>Midfield</b>						
Brian Glenn &	Wittenberg	Jr.	8	2	0.86	Lewis Center, OH/Olentangy
Ryan Harmanis ●	Ohio Wesleyan	So.	5	2	0.52	Hilliard, OH/Davidson
Oliver Miller-Farrell	Oberlin	Fr.	2	11	0.79	New York, NY/Friends Seminary
Peter Shorten &	Denison	Jr.	7	2	0.94	Hudson, OH/Western Reserve Academy
<b>Defender</b>						
Mark Babcock &	Wabash	So.	2	1	0.26	Chesterton, IN/Chesterton
Ryan Floyd	Allegheny	Sr.	0	5	0.28	McMurray, PA/Peters Township
Kyle Taljan @^	Oberlin	Sr.	0	1	0.05	North Ridgeville, OH/St. Ignatius
T.J. Trigg <	Ohio Wesleyan	Sr.	5	2	0.80	Westerville, OH/North
<b>Goalkeeper</b>						
Taylor Tackacs	Wooster	Fr.	<b>GA</b> 15	<b>SV</b> 84	<b>GAA</b> 1.04	Gibsonia, PA/Sewickley Academy

**Key:** ^ 1st team 2007; ● 2nd team 2007; & honorable mention 2007;  
 \$ 1st team 2006; % 2nd team 2006; < honorable mention 2006;  
 \* 1st team 2005; + 2nd team 2005; @ honorable mention 2005

## 2008 ALL-NCAC MEN'S SOCCER

### HONORABLE MENTION

<b>Forward</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Yr.</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>PPG</b>	<b>Hometown/High School</b>
Matt Bonfini	Ohio Wesleyan	Fr.	9	3	0.91	Dublin, OH/Coffman
Scott Buckwald	Wooster	Jr.	7	4	1.06	Seville, OH/Cloverleaf
Austin Jennings	Wabash	Fr.	9	0	0.95	Noblesville, IN/Noblesville
Peter Subasic	Allegheny	So.	7	0	0.82	Pittsburgh, PA/Fox Chapel
<b>Midfielder</b>						
Keith Dangarembwa	Kenyon	Fr.	1	0	0.05	Bulawayo, Zimbabwe/St. Columbus
DJ Egan &	Allegheny	So.	5	2	0.67	Gibsonia, PA/Shady Side Academy
David Krems \$^	Hiram	Jr.	3	5	0.58	Lakewood, OH/Lakewood
Mike Mullaley &	Oberlin	Sr.	3	2	0.44	Portland, OR/Grant
Allan Swan	Wabash	Fr.	0	2	0.11	Carmel, IN/Carmel
Jimmy Thinner	Wittenberg	Sr.	3	2	0.38	Cincinnati, OH/LaSalle
<b>Defender</b>						
Matt Giannetti	Ohio Wesleyan	Jr.	2	0	0.17	Montclair, NJ/Montclair
Trevor Gibbs	Hiram	Sr.	0	0	0.00	Georgetown, Cayman Islands/Hotchkiss School
Wyatt Hayman &	Oberlin	So.	4	1	0.47	Belvedere, CA/Marin Academy
Anthony Ianiro &	Wittenberg	Sr.	0	0	0.00	Mayfield Hts., OH/University School
Jay Keener ●	Wooster	Jr.	0	0	0.00	Wadsworth, OH/Wadsworth
Andrew Lash	Denison	So.	3	2	0.53	Ballwin, MO/Whitfield School
Jon Myers	Kenyon	So.	1	5	0.44	Lebanon, OH/Archbishop Moeller
Dan Stuber	Earlham	Sr.	0	1	0.06	Cadillac, MI/Armand Hammer

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