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1996-97 NAIA MEN'S TRACK & FIELD SCHOLAR-ATHLETES ANNOUNCED

TULSA, Okla. – Here are the 1996-97 NAIA Men's Track & Field All-America Scholar-Athletes as selected by the NAIA Men's Track & Field All-America Scholar-Athlete Committee. Forty student-athletes were selected this year for this honor.

To be selected as an NAIA Men's Track & Field All-America Scholar-Athlete, the nominee must be a junior or above academically and a varsity performer, certified by his institution's registrar as a full-time student. He must also have been in attendance at least one term at the nominating institution prior to the institution submitting the nomination. The honoree must have minimum 3.50 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) as defined by the nominating institution. He must have also demonstrated a proficiency in the sport of track and field by meeting certain defined qualifying standards.

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>GPA</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Ryan Chaney	George Fox University OR	Sr.	4.00	Christian Ministries	LaGrande, Ore.
John Dorsch	Hillsdale College MI	Sr.	4.00	Pre-Med / Biology	Amherst, Ohio
Kristopher Knippa	Wayland Baptist University TX	Sr.	4.00	Physical Education	Dallas, Texas
Marlon Haverdink	Northwestern College IA	Sr.	3.88	Business Education	Ankeny, Iowa
Kevin McDaniel	Malone College OH	Sr.	3.95	Pre-Med	Sycamore, Ohio
Michael Fischer	Eastern Oregon University	Sr.	3.93	Pre-Physical Therapy	Port Orchard, Wash.
Sean O'Connor	St. Ambrose University IA	Jr.	3.93	Biology	DeWitt, Iowa
Jeff Prothro	Southwestern College KS	Sr.	3.92	History	Augusta, Kan.
Kurt Grichel	Western Washington University	Sr.	3.91	Business Administration	Kirkland, Wash.
Brad Hawkins	Central Washington University	Jr.	3.90	English	Wenatchee, Wash.
Matt Joy	St. Ambrose University IA	Sr.	3.90	Criminal Justice	Custer, Wis.
Kelly Pranghofer	Pacific Lutheran University WA	Sr.	3.88	Business	Stanwood, Wash.
Andrew Smith	Lubbock Christian University TX	Jr.	3.88	Biology	Spring, Texas
Robert Bradbury	University of Puget Sound WA	Sr.	3.87	Computer Science	Point Roberts, Wash.
Andrew Wilson	Pacific Lutheran University WA	Sr.	3.87	Philosophy	Yakima, Wash.
Mike Shaw	Southwestern College KS	Jr.	3.86	Mass Communication	Prescott, Ariz.
Al Hoppner	University of Wisconsin-Parkside	Sr.	3.84	English	Columbia Heights, Md.
Gregory Harris	Eastern Oregon University	Sr.	3.81	Business Mgmt.	Paterson, Wash.
Mika Reed	Nebraska Wesleyan University	Jr.	3.77	Business	Arnold, Neb.
Remington DeGarmo	Bethany College KS	Sr.	3.70	Economics Business	Lawrence, Neb.
Brian Carlson	Southern California College	Sr.	3.69	Business	Anahelm, Calif.
James O'Connor	Central Washington University	Sr.	3.69	Special Education	Redmond, Wash.
Erik Meyer	Western Washington University	Jr.	3.65	Business Administration	Port Angeles, Wash.
Matt Craven	Linfield College OR	Sr.	3.62	Math Education	Bend, Ore.
John Liparoto	Siena Heights College MI	Jr.	3.61	English	Petersburg, Mich.
Darren Berger	University of Mary ND	Jr.	3.60	Nursing	Bismark, N.D.
James Njoroge	Taylor University IN	Sr.	3.60	Computer Science	Nairobi, Kenya
Will Haskins	Fresno Pacific University CA	Sr.	3.59	English	Portland, Ore.
Kyle Keifer	Midland Lutheran College NE	Jr.	3.58	Accounting	Madison, Neb.
Todd Schemper	Dordt College IA	Sr.	3.59	Psychology	Sheldon, Iowa
Joseph Shay	Lubbock Christian University TX	Sr.	3.58	Business Administration	Central Lake, Mich.
Joshua Westerhold	University of Mary ND	Jr.	3.57		Cody, Wyo.
Kurt Knueve	Hillsdale College MI	Jr.	3.54	Elementary Education	Defiance, Ohio
John Fivecoat	Malone College OH	Jr.	3.53	Business	Port Washington, Ohio
Stephen McGillivray	Cedarville College OH	Sr.	3.52	Bible	Cedarville, Ohio
Sean Nesbitt	Eastern Oregon University	Sr.	3.52	History	Portland, Ore.
Chad Sexton	Berea College KY	Sr.	3.52	Physical Education	Georgetown, Ohio
Benjamin Sandy	Dana College NE	Jr.	3.51	Physical Education	Newcastle, Wyo.
Brian Goetsch	South Dakota Tech	Sr.	3.50	Mechanical Engineering	Milbank, S.D.
Brian Smith	Siena Heights College MI	Jr.	3.50	Biology	Pittsford, Mich.