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MARK MURDOCH NAMED A WOODY HAYES NATIONAL SCHOLAR-ATHLETE

CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- Former Cedarville College tennis player Mark Murdoch will be one of six athletes honored as a Woody Hayes National Scholar-Athlete at a banquet in Columbus on Friday night. The award is sponsored by the University Sertoma Club.

The Woody Hayes National Scholar-Athlete Award is presented to athletes who completed their eligibility during the previous calendar year. Like the motto of the University Sertoma Club itself, the honorees must also have exhibited a dedication to community service.

Murdoch graduated from Cedarville College last June with a perfect 4.0 grade point average as a pre-seminary Bible major. He earned spots on the GTE Academic All-America At-Large first team and the NAIA Scholar-Athlete team following last year's 24-0 campaign, Cedarville's first unbeaten regular season in 16 years.

Off the court, Murdoch was Cedarville's representative to Compassion International, an organization that helps to feed homeless children. He was the contact to getting the college involved, and the Cedarville student body supported 16 children worldwide.

He is the second athlete from Cedarville College to be honored. Shelly Fratus, a former NAIA track All-American, earned the award in 1989. Only the University of Nebraska, with three, has had more athletes honored than Cedarville.

This year's class of honorees has a combined 3.94 cumulative GPA. Other male honorees are Mike Shepard (football) from California-Davis, and Steve Boyenger (football) from Idaho State.

The three female scholar-athletes are Denise Fogle (softball) from Millikin University, Ill.; Ann Hancock (volleyball/basketball) from Wingate College, N.C.; and Janet Kruse (volleyball) from Nebraska.

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