



Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference

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Hart Headlines 2009 Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference Baseball All-Conference Team

Buzzards Bay, Mass. — Worcester State College senior outfielder **Matt Hart** has been named as the 2009 Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference Baseball Player of the Year and heads the league's all-conference squad in a vote taken of the conference's eight coaches.

A native of North Easton, Mass., Hart led the league in six offensive categories during the regular season, as he batted at a .422 clip with 57 hits, including 12 homers and 32 RBI, while posting 111 total bases to date. Hart, who also led the conference in slugging percentage and runs scored, helped the Lancers capture the MASCAC regular season crown with a 13-1 league slate.

Salem State freshman second baseman **Chris Cocci** (Wakefield, R.I.) was tabbed as the 2009 MASCAC Rookie of the Year after batting .288 with 38 hits, 33 runs scored and 20 RBI while starting in all 35 contests for the Vikings this spring, while the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts' **Jeff Puleri** was recognized by his peers at the 2009 MASCAC Coach of the Year after guiding the Trailblazers to 20 victories to date, including a 9-5 mark league mark and a berth in the conference championships.

Hart was joined on the 2009 MASCAC first-team all-conference squad by Bridgewater State's **Brendon Elliot** and **Mark Claffey**; Fitchburg State's **John Phelan**; Salem State's **Ken Luongo**; Westfield State's **Ben Campbell** and **Jeff Fields** and Worcester State's **Johno Hinkell**, **Nick Caparell**, **Mike Borowiec** and **Joey Lucier**.

The 2009 MASCAC second-team all-conference squad consisted of Bridgewater State's **Kelly LaDow**, **Matthew Greenberg** and **Brad Koneski**; Fitchburg State's **Kris Breen**; Framingham State's **Steven Tramontozzi**; MCLA's **Andrew Gaines** and **Paul Procopio**; Massachusetts Maritime's **David Hike** and **Tyler Spofford**; Salem State's **Evan Valcourt** and Westfield State's **Ben Wagner**.

Now celebrating its 38th year, the Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference is comprised of eight NCAA Division III member institutions: Bridgewater State College, Fitchburg State College, Framingham State College, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Massachusetts Maritime Academy, Salem State College, Westfield State College and Worcester State College.

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2009 MASCAC BASEBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

FIRST TEAM

<u>Player/Institution</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Ben Campbell, Westfield State	Junior	First Base	Easthampton, Mass.
Jeff Fields, Westfield State	Junior	Second Base	Pittsfield, Mass.
John Phelan, Fitchburg State	Sophomore	Shortstop	Walpole, Mass.
Mark Claffey, Bridgewater State	Junior	Third Base	Bellingham, Mass.
Brendon Elliot, Bridgewater State	Senior	Outfield	Brockton, Mass.
Nick Caparell, Worcester State	Junior	Outfield	North Attleboro, Mass.
Matt Hart, Worcester State	Senior	Outfield	North Easton, Mass.
Ken Luongo, Salem State	Senior	Des. Hitter	Wilmington, Mass.
Johno Hinkell, Worcester State	Sophomore	Catcher	North Adams, Mass.
Mike Borowiec, Worcester State	Junior	Pitcher	Spencer, Mass.
Joey Lucier, Worcester State	Junior	Pitcher	Brockton, Mass.

SECOND TEAM

<u>Player/Institution</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Kris Breen, Fitchburg State	Senior	First Base	Griswold, Conn.
Brad Koneski, Bridgewater State	Senior	Second Base	North Dighton, Mass.
Ben Wagner, Westfield State	Junior	Shortstop	Cumberland, R.I.
Paul Procopio, MCLA	Sophomore	Third Base	Pittsfield, Mass.
Steven Tramontozzi, Framingham St.	Sophomore	Outfield	Watertown, Mass.
Tyler Spofford, Mass. Maritime	Senior	Outfield	Sharon Springs, N.Y.
Evan Valcourt, Salem State	Sophomore	Outfield	Salisbury, Mass.
Matthew Greenberg, Bridgewater St.	Sophomore	Des. Hitter	Norwell, Mass.
Kelly LaDow, Bridgewater State	Senior	Catcher	East Falmouth, Mass.
Andrew Gaines, MCLA	Senior	Pitcher	Holyoke, Mass.
David Hike, Mass. Maritime	Junior	Pitcher	Riverview, Fla.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Matt Hart, Worcester State	Senior	Outfield	North Easton, Mass.
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ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Chris Cocci, Salem State	Freshman	Second Base	Wakefield, R.I.
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COACH OF THE YEAR

Jeff Puleri, MCLA

