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Charger Softball Completes Best Season in Program's History

A look back at the 2010 UNH softball season brings back memories of great achievements. The Chargers compiled a 42-8 record to become the winningest team in program history, breaking the record set by the 1995 team (40-10-1).

As usual, the Chargers kicked off the season at the Rebel Spring Games in Kissimmee, Fla. The team left the Sunshine State with eight wins under its belt, including the first four of what would become a 22-game winning streak. The streak

started on March 17 with a 3-0 win over Dowling College in which Breanne Gleason '10 B.S. pitched her first collegiate perfect game.

Over the course of the regular season, Gleason was tabbed the Northeast-10 Conference Pitcher of the Week five times, while teammate Nicole Downs '10 B.S. was named Northeast-10 Conference Player of the Week twice. Additionally, Downs was named the Louisville Slugger/National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Division II National Player of the Week on March 15.

The Chargers ended the regular season with the best record in the conference, which earned them the Northeast-10 Conference Regular Season title.

New Haven headed into the postseason as the No. 1 seed in the NCAA Division II East Region and ranked No. 10 in the nation. After hitting a road block in the Northeast-10 Conference Championship tournament, the Chargers rebounded in the East Regional Championships with three straight wins, including two against cross-town foe Southern

Connecticut State University. UNH's historic season concluded in the NCAA Division II East Super Regional Championships with a 1-0 extra-inning loss to Molloy College in the last game of a best-of-three series.

Postseason honors poured in for the Chargers as Gleason was named the Northeast-10 Conference Player and Pitcher of the Year – becoming just the second player in conference history to earn both accolades in the same season. She was joined by Downs and Chelsea Harold '11 on the Northeast-10 Conference and NCAA Division II East Region First Team. Fourth-year Head Coach Jen Starek was named the Northeast-10 Conference Coach of the Year. Downs and Gleason earned a spot on the NFCA Division II All-America Third Team, while Gleason also was a Daktronics All-America Second Team selection.



Softball student-athletes Gabby Cruz '10 A.S., Meghan Walter '10 B.S., Breanne Gleason '10 B.S., and Nicole Downs '10 B.S., celebrate following a win in the NCAA Division II East Region-1 Championship tournament. The win came just hours after the four graduates walked across the Commencement stage at Ralph F. DellaCamera Stadium.



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Baseball student-athlete Ryan Brockett '12 fields a ball during a game at Frank Vieira Field this season. The sophomore earned the East Region Gold Glove award at shortstop.

Baseball Makes NCAA Regional Championship

The UNH baseball team completed the 2010 season with a 31-15 overall record and an 18-8 record in the Northeast-10 Conference. The season marked the first 30-win season since 2006 and just the second since 1995. The Chargers also made the program's 32nd NCAA Regional Championship appearance — its first since 2006.

After opening the season 2-2, the Chargers rattled off 11 straight victories to improve to 13-2 on March 21. UNH won another nine straight from April 14 - 30, which pushed the team over the 30-win mark. On April 22, fourth-year Head Coach Raphael Cerrato won his 100th career game with a 6-1 victory over American International College in Springfield, Mass.

The accolades for the 2010 team continued in the postseason as junior pitcher Mitch Rossi '11 collected an array of awards. He earned American Baseball Coaches Association/Rawlings NCAA Division II East All-

Region First Team honors and was named to the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association NCAA Division II All-America Honorable Mention Team. Rossi also was selected to participate in the 2010 New England Intercollegiate Baseball Association's College Baseball All-Star Game on June 6 at Fenway Park in Boston. Sophomore shortstop Ryan Brockett '12 earned postseason honors as a member of the 2010 Rawlings NCAA Division II East Region Gold Glove Team.

Hotaling Returns as New Men's Head Basketball Coach

On March 31, Ted Hotaling was named the Chargers next head men's basketball coach. Hotaling became the ninth head coach in program history. A former UNH and Yale University assistant coach, Hotaling most recently spent five seasons as an assistant at Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) where his main responsibilities included working with the guards and coordinating the program's recruiting efforts. While he was at EKU, the Colonels enjoyed a number of record-setting seasons, including two postseason runs.

"I am honored to be named the head men's basketball coach at the University of New Haven. I want to thank Director of Athletics Debbie Chin for giving me the opportunity to lead the program," Hotaling said. "Throughout the entire process it was evident that this is an impressive university with great support and I am excited to start working right away."

Before EKU, Hotaling served four years as a full-time assistant at Yale University from 2001-05. He also served one season as an assistant at UNH in 2000-01. The Niverville, N.Y. native began his coaching career at Adelphi University in 1998 where he spent one season as an assistant.

Hotaling earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Albany in 1995 and later earned his master's degree from Adelphi. During his undergraduate years, Hotaling helped lead the Great Danes to an Elite Eight appearance in the 1994 NCAA Division III Tournament. After graduating from Albany, he went on to play professionally in Europe for the Cardiff Phoenix Basketball Club in Cardiff, Wales and the Plymouth Rotolok Raiders in Plymouth, England.

Hotaling and his wife, Keely Garden, have two children — Owen and Susan.



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Tiesha Grace-Cobb



Michael Horton



Joe Musante



Greg Ortman



John Raba



Brian Stone



Kate Whalen

2010 Athletics Hall of Fame Inductees

The Department of Athletics inducted six former student-athletes and one former coach

into the UNH Athletics Hall of Fame on March 26. The 2010 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony was held at Race Brook Country Club in

Woodbridge, Conn. where nearly 200 family members and friends gathered to celebrate the inductees' outstanding careers at the University.

Those honored were Tiesha Grace-Cobb '99 B.S. (Women's Basketball), Michael Horton '90 B.A. (Football), Joe Musante (Softball Coach), Greg Ortman '87 B.S. (Football), John Raba '94 B.S. (Football, Men's Lacrosse), Brian Stone '87 B.A. (Baseball) and Kate Whalen '87 B.A. (Women's Volleyball, Softball, Tennis).

For complete biographies on each of the inductees, visit www.NewHavenChargers.com



The Charger football team prepares for the 2010 fall season during its annual spring scrimmage at Ralph F. DellaCamera Stadium on Saturday, March 24.

2010 University of New Haven Football Schedule

Peter Rossomando, Head Coach

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Sat., Sept. 4	at Seton Hill University (Pa.)	Greensburg, Pa.	3 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 11	LINCOLN UNIVERSITY (PA.) – 2010 Harmony Classic	West Haven, Conn.	1 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 18	ASSUMPTION COLLEGE*	West Haven, Conn.	1 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 24	at Bentley University*	Waltham, Mass.	7 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 2	at Stonehill College*	North Easton, Mass.	1 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 9	SOUTHERN CONN. STATE UNIVERSITY*	West Haven, Conn.	1 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 16	at Amer. International College*	Springfield, Mass.	1 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 23	MERRIMACK COLLEGE* – Homecoming	West Haven, Conn.	1 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 30	at Pace University*	Pleasantville, N.Y.	1 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 6	SAINT ANSELM COLLEGE*	West Haven, Conn.	12 p.m.

Home games in CAPS / * denotes a Northeast-10 Conference contest

Student-Athletes Excel On and Off the Field

UNH student-athletes excelled beyond the playing field during the 2009-10 academic year. Along with completing more than 2,500 community service hours, the Charger athletic teams boasted an overall cumulative grade point average of 3.03 after the 2010 spring semester. The women's soccer program leads the group with a 3.36 cumulative grade point average.

Following the 2010 spring semester, 69 student-athletes were named to the UNH Dean's List, while more than 150 were named to the Northeast-10 Conference Commissioner's Honor Roll.