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GLIAC Men's Golf Athlete of the Week

Adam Miller - Saginaw Valley State University (Jr, Gaylord, Mich.)

Saginaw Valley State University junior Adam Miller tied for first at the NCAA Regional Qualifier held in South Haven, Michigan with a total of 140 (-4). He helped lead his squad to a first-place finish with a team score of 581 (+5) which was the team's third top five finish this fall. Miller has finished in the top 20 in three tournaments this fall and overall in six rounds is one-over par averaging 73.2 thus far.

Ashland - The Ashland men's golf team participated in Sunday and Monday's (Sept. 25-26) Great Lakes Regional Tournament. The Eagles enjoyed their best performance this season, tying for sixth overall with a 593. Leading the way was junior Matt Gasser (New Philadelphia, OH/Twin Valley South). He carded the best second round of any player, 68, and tied for third (141) in the final individual standings, just one stroke behind the co-medalists. Senior Adam Hlivko (Tallmadge, OH) shot a 145 to tie for 11th.

Ferris State - The Ferris State men's golf team carded a fourth-place 590 (+14) in the second round of the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional at the HawksHead Golf Club in South Haven, Mich. The Bulldogs found themselves in sixth-place after shooting 297 score (+9) in Sunday's (Sept. 25) first round ... Ferris State was led by sophomore Derek Shelburne who finished in a tie for 13th place after carding rounds of 73 and 73 (146, +2). Junior Kyle Mason finished tied for 21st with a +4 score of 148 (75-73)... The Bulldogs will be back in action on Friday (Sept. 30) at the Northwood Invitational and on Saturday (Oct. 1) at the Bay Valley Intercollegiate hosted by Saginaw Valley State University.

Findlay - The University of Findlay's men's golf team, who was in eighth place after round one of the first NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional of the year, placed 16th in the event after shooting a 310 on the second and final day. The Oilers, who shot a 300 on the first day, finished with a total of 610 strokes in South Haven, Michigan... Saginaw Valley State University won the event after firing a two-day score of 581. The Cardinals' Adam Miller and SIU-Edwardsville's Kyle Gansuaer tied for first place in the event with scores of 140 (-4)... Findlay's Eric Atsma, who was in second place after round one, led the Oilers with a two-day score of 149 (70, 79). He finished the event in 26th place.

Gannon - Gannon continues to record high finishes during its fall season. The Golden Knights won the Penn State Behrend Invitational and finished fourth out of 20 teams at the Great Lakes Fall Regional last week. Tom Phalin (Bethel Park, Pa./Bethel Park) won the individual title at the Penn State Behrend Invitational with a 69. Dave Patronik (Orchard Park, N.Y./Orchard Park) tied for eighth at the Great Lakes Fall Regional with a two-day total of even-par-144. Six of Gannon's seven golfers have fall averages in the 70's. Phalin has three top-20 finishes in five events, averaging 74.6 strokes per round. Patronik has two top-20 finishes and has averaged 74.3 strokes in four events.

Grand Valley State - Grand Valley State fired a second round 297 and tallied a two-day total of 593 (+17) to finish tied-6th at the NCAA Great Lakes Fall Regional #1 in South Haven, Mich. The Lakers' Steve Larson finished T-8th with an even par 144. Larson shot a 2-under par 70 on day two. Josh Orler, Tony Mango and Mark Pawlowski tied for 35th with a two-day total of 151, while Kyle Murphy tied-44th with a 152. The Lakers will play in the GLIAC Championships on October 10-11 in Erie, Pa.

Mercyhurst - Junior Craig Bishop (Brampton, Ontario) captured individual medalist honors Monday, September 19, at the Hal Hansen (Clarion University) Invitational, but the Lakers could only muster an eighth place tie. Bishop fired a three-under par total of 141 in the two-day event... Mercyhurst was second among four Division II teams at the annual Penn State Behrend Invitational Thursday, September 22. The Lakers had a team total of 306, 23 shots behind first-place Gannon. Junior Tim Falkner (West Seneca, NY) had Mercyhurst's best score with a 75... Mercyhurst finished 10th of 20 teams at the two-day Great Lakes Regional hosted by Grand Valley State University Sunday and Monday. The Lakers ended with a total of 601, 20 strokes behind the win-



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ning effort of Saginaw Valley State... Craig Bishop and sophomore Kyle Waddell (Westbank, BC) led the way for the Lakers, each firing a pair of 73s for two-round score of 146 and a tie for 13th place.

Northern Michigan - The Northern Michigan University men's golf team finished in a three-way tie for 17th place at the 2005 NCAA Great Lakes Regional in South Haven, Michigan, turning in a card of 612 (309-303). The meet consisted of two rounds of play, Sunday, September 24 and Monday, September 25. Robert Desimone led the 'cats as he finished in a tie for 35th place with a final score of 151 (77-74). Mike Dagenais was just one stroke back from Desimone but finished in a tie for 44th place with a 152 (77-75)... Neil Passinault finished 61st with a 155 (81-74), Luke Thode ended up in 87th with a 159 (79-80), and Aaron Swanson rounded out the 'Cats roster with a 92nd place finish shooting a 161 (76-85)... Saginaw Valley State won the event shooting a 581 (293-288) behind Adam Miller who finished play with a 140 (71-69), and a tie for first-place.

Northwood - NU finished third out of 20 teams at the Great Lakes Fall Regional Tournament Monday afternoon (Sept. 26)... Northwood shot team scores of 293 and 295 to finish with a 12-over par team score of 588. Saginaw Valley was the overall winner at 581, followed by Northern Kentucky at 587. A total of 20 teams took part in the event, which was held at the HawksHead Golf Course, a 6,984 yard, par 72 ... NU featured a balanced attack. No Northwood player finished in the top-15 of the event, but every NU participant placed in the top-35 of the 100 player field. Sophomore Aaron Warring (Highland, Mich./Milford) shot a three-over par total of 147 (71-76) to tie for 19th overall. Luigi Spadafora (Milford, Mich.) followed at 148 (72-76) to finish tied for 21st, while Kyle House (Highland, Mich./Pinckney) and Tim Wheatley (East Tawas, Mich./Tawas) each finished at 149. Pat Swanton (Beaverton, Mich.) shot NU's low score of the second round, carding a 71 to finish at 151 overall (t-35)... Northwood will host its lone home event of the year this Friday (Sept. 30) at the Currie Golf Club.

Saginaw Valley State - The Saginaw Valley State men's golf team trailed by four strokes heading into the final round of the NCAA Regional Qualifier at Hawks Head Golf Course in South Haven, Michigan, but posted a 288 for a six-stroke win over Northern Kentucky (587). SVSU finished with a team score of 581 (+5) on the par 72 course that measured 6,984 yards. Junior Adam Miller (Gaylord, Mich.) was remarkable as he tied for medalist honors with a four-under par total of 140, including a 69 on Monday. Junior Scott Urquhart (Queens Ferry, Scotland) also finished in the top 10 with a seventh-place score of 143 (-1). Sophomore Mike King (Livonia, Mich./Detroit Catholic Central) fired a 146 with an even-par 72 on Monday and was tied for 13th. Sophomore Sean Rutherford (East Lansing, Mich./Haslett) shot a 77 on Monday and tied for 52nd with a total of 153.

Wayne State - Wayne State finished in a tie with Northern Michigan for 17th place after the final round of the NCAA Great Lakes Fall Regional on Monday. WSU posted a team score of 303 in the second round, six strokes better than their first round score. However, it was not enough to move them up in the standings, as their total team score of 612 was two strokes behind 16th-place Findlay (300-310). Senior Nathan Johnson (New Boston, Mich./Huron), the top-finishing Warrior in the event, matched his first round score of 75, putting him in a tie for 33rd place with a combined score of 150. Senior Jacob Abramson (St. Clair, Mich.) put up the best single-round score of the event for Wayne State, shooting a 72 on Monday for a total score of 151, tied for 35th. Junior Joe Wilson (Trenton, Mich.) finished in a tie for 61th place (78-78—155), junior Lance Chamberlain (Allen Park, Mich.) tied for 72nd place (78-78—156), and senior Chris Hill (Sarnia, Ont./St. Patrick's) shot a 159 (81-78) to tie for 87th. The Warriors will move on to the Northwood Invitational at Currie Golf Course on Friday, Sept. 30.