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Yellow Jacket Men's Tennis



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2004-2005 Baldwin-Wallace College Men's Tennis Information



General and Athletic Information

Location: Berea, Ohio
 Mailing Address: The A.B. Bonds Administration Bldg.
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 Founded: 1845
 Enrollment: 3,000
 Church Affiliation: United Methodist
 Nickname: Yellow Jackets
 School Colors: Brown and Gold
 National Division: NCAA Division III
 Conference: The Ohio Athletic

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 2004 Overall Record: 22-0
 2004 OAC Tournament Finish: First
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: 7/2
 Starters Returning/Lost: 5/2

ON THE COVER: On the cover of the 2005 Baldwin-Wallace College men's tennis web guide is the 2004 OAC Championship team (bottom). Also on the cover is seniors Mike Wagner (Avon Lake) (top right) and Ward Crane (Hudson/Western Reserve Academy) (top left). The Yellow Jackets finished a perfect 22-0 last season and were the first team in Ohio Athletic Conference history to do so. Wagner posted a 19-1 individual record including a 17-0 record at the number one singles spot. For his efforts, he was named the 2004 Mark Lensen OAC Men's Tennis Player of the Year. Crane, a three-time All-OAC award winner, alternated between the number one and two singles position and recorded a 19-2 overall record.

Head Coach Brian Rector

Brian Rector will be entering his 16th season of coaching the men's tennis team at his alma mater this spring. Since 1989, Rector has developed the Baldwin-Wallace College program into one of the best in the Ohio Athletic Conference, and his squad is among the elite in small college tennis in Ohio.

Last spring, Rector and his team had its finest season in school history. The Yellow Jackets finished a perfect 22-0 overall and became the first men's or women's team in the 101-year history of the OAC to go unbeaten for an entire season. Rector's men also won both the OAC regular season title with a perfect 9-0 mark and the OAC Tournament title for the second time and first since 1992. In the past two years, Rector's teams have compiled an outstanding 42-4 record and played in the OAC Championship match each season.

In addition to his team compiling a

perfect 22-0 record in dual match play, B-W shut out 17 of its 22 opponents, including three NCAA Division II teams, and allowed just six points in dual match action.

A strong believer in the NCAA Division III philosophy of the student-athlete, Rector has brought the Yellow Jackets to the brink of being an NCAA Division III contender. His goal is to take B-W to the NCAA Division III tournament in the very near future.

"Our goals as a team are to win the Ohio Athletic Conference title and advance to the NCAA Division III National Tournament," said Rector. "Individually, we want each player to excel to the best of his ability in the classroom. We have been fortunate to have a number of players go on to earn Academic All-OAC, Academic All-District and Academic All-American honors."

Rector is B-W's all-time winningest men's tennis coach with a career record of 243-57, a career .810 winning percentage and the OAC titles. Prior to taking over the team in 1989, Rector was a four-year letterman in tennis, team captain and a GTE Academic All-American player for the Yellow Jackets. He also, at one time, owned all of the B-W single season and career records for singles, doubles and combination victories.

After receiving his bachelor's degree



in business administration in the spring of 1989, Rector immediately took over the reins of the B-W program. In his inaugural season, Rector guided the Yellow Jackets to their best record ever.

Rector is currently employed by KeyBank in Cleveland as a Network Engineer and resides in Berea.

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Through the Years with Head Coach Brian Rector



Year	Overall Record	OAC Record	Year	OAC Record	Record
1990	15-2	8-1	1999	18-3	7-2
1991	16-2	9-0	2000	18-5	5-3
1992	16-5	8-1#	2001	12-4	5-3
1993	12-5	8-0	2002	18-6	6-3
1994	10-4	6-1	2003	20-4	7-1
1995	13-7	6-3	2004	22-0*	9-0^
1996	17-3	7-2	-----		
1997	19-2	8-1	CAREER	254-57	106-23
1998	17-5	7-2			

* - denotes B-W school record for wins in a season

- denotes OAC Tournament Champions

^ - denotes OAC Regular Season & Tournament Champions

The Facilities at Baldwin-Wallace College Are Among

The Baldwin-Wallace College student is afforded the opportunity to learn, exercise, practice and play in some of the finest facilities in small college athletics. In addition, as a student at B-W, each has an opportunity to use a group of facilities that are unparalleled in Division III athletics.

The Recreation Center with the Ursprung Gymnasium, Harrison Dillard Track and Natatorium, The George Finnie Stadium, the B-W Baseball Field, the "Pop" Collins Tennis Complex and other outdoor recreation and athletic areas at Baldwin-Wallace make the Yellow Jackets physical plant second to none among small colleges.

The Baldwin-Wallace College Recreation Center, dedicated on October 18, 1986, is a facility that benefits all B-W students, faculty, staff and alumni and is considered one of the top recreation facilities in the country.

The 150,000 square foot Rec Center serves as home for the health and physical education departments, all winter intercollegiate and intramural sports, as well as playing host for a number of amateur sporting events.

The Rec Center, which includes the Rudolph S. Ursprung Gymnasium, serves as the home of Yellow Jackets basketball,

volleyball and wrestling teams. Ursprung Gymnasium, which has housed B-W basketball since 1949, received a complete renovation in 1986. In addition to B-W playing in the Ursprung Gym, the Ohio High School Athletic Association has long

courts that can be used individually or in tandem for volleyball, basketball, tennis and other activities. On many occasions, the B-W basketball team has been playing a game while a wrestling match or an intramural basketball game was taking place in



The Ursprung Gymnasium was renovated in 1986 and seats more than 2,800 fans for basketball, volleyball and wrestling. The basketball stands are situated away from the floor with an excellent view from any angle.

used the B-W facility for its sectional and district tournaments for boys.

The fieldhouse consists of a 200-meter, six-lane track that is named for 1949 B-W graduate and four-time Olympic gold medalist Harrison Dillard. The track, with its Mondo surface, is both fast and comfortable for the walker, jogger or serious runner. Pits for the field events are also incorporated. The track surrounds three multi-purpose

the Rec Center fieldhouse.

The Harrison Dillard Track, along with the multi-purpose courts, have been home for the B-W indoor track teams, the John Summa Invitational Wrestling Tournament, the Ohio Sports Festival (basketball and wrestling venues) and many local high school track meets.

Also in the Rec Center is the B-W Natatorium, home to the Yellow Jacket



The Baldwin-Wallace College Natatorium is home to Yellow Jacket swimming and diving. The pool is also available to all B-W students and receives use by the community and elderly.



The Harrison Dillard Track in the B-W Fieldhouse is a six-lane, 200-meter oval that has served as the site of many B-W, OAC, high school and amateur championship meets.

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In 1998 The George Finnie Stadium was filled with more than 10,000 fans to watch the Yellow Jackets play football. It is known as the "Magic Carpet." It has also served as the site for five Division III national track meets, the Pan Am Games qualifying meet, the Ohio Games and the A.A.U. Junior Olympic championships. It seats 8,100 fans comfortably.

swimming and diving teams. The facility includes a 25-yard, six-lane pool with a one-meter diving board. The movable pool bottom has adaptive physical therapy applications and can be used by the disabled.

As part of the renovation of Ursprung, chairback seating and a new media center were constructed while training and physical therapy, laundry and eight locker rooms were added. Other features include a room for news media as well as exhibit and storage areas for the B-W Athletic Archives. The Archives give students, alumni, parents, friends and visitors to Baldwin-Wallace a glimpse of the rich tradition and heritage of Yellow Jacket teams and athletic greats.

The Finnie Stadium (pictured above) is one of the nations best small college stadiums for football and track and field. The Yellow Jacket men's and women's soccer teams also play at Finnie.

B-W has already hosted three NCAA Division III national championship track meets, numerous NCAA and Ohio High School Athletic Association football play-off games as well as being the home field to both Berea High School and Middleburg Heights Midpark High School. The Ohio Sports Festival/Ohio State Games also uses Finnie as both a regional and state championship site.

The B-W Baseball Field is located on the campus within walking distance of the

student dormitories. The facility has a manicured playing surface and seating for approximately 200 fans. The B-W Baseball Field has been the host site for four OAC Baseball Tournaments and is home to the nationally-ranked Yellow Jacket baseball squad.

The "Pop" Collins Tennis complex is named in honor of former B-W tennis coach

and teacher Arthur Worth Collins, the father of nationally renowned sportswriter and television tennis analyst Arthur "Bud" Collins '51. The facility is on campus and includes six courts which are lighted for night play.

In addition, the Yellow Jacket softball team plays at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds Field. Last spring was the first season for the Yellow Jackets at their new field.

Does such a strong group of facilities benefit the Yellow Jacket women's basketball program? Definitely! Practice time is available in the Ursprung Gym or the fieldhouse. That means the men and women can practice at the same time without conflict. Players have a wide variety of options for preseason and post season weight and conditioning programs.

"The entire Rec Center is a plus to our program," says head coach Cheri Harrer. "The playing, practice and dress facilities are among the finest in Division III. Having a number of courts in the fieldhouse gives us the opportunity to work with a greater number of players in our varsity and junior varsity programs.

"It is one of the finest training centers of any small college in the nation," says Harrer. "We feel the Rec Center has answered the needs of the B-W community."



The student-athlete is afforded the best in equipment to use in B-W's weight and training rooms. B-W also benefits from its affiliation with the Cleveland Clinic Sports Medicine Division. A clinic doctor is at virtually every athletic event.



The Ohio Athletic Conference; the third oldest conference in the nation



TWINSBURG, OHIO -- Entering its 102nd year, the Ohio Athletic Conference will look to continue its prominence during the 2004-05 year. In 2003-2004, the OAC was once again represented well at the national level, both academically and athletically.

During the 2003-04 season the OAC advanced 11 teams to the NCAA Division III "Sweet 16", including Wilmington College winning the National Title in women's basketball. Mount Union College finished runner-up in football and the John Carroll University men's basketball squad finished third. Three teams finished in the "Elite Eight" at the NCAA's: Ohio Northern University in volleyball, Muskingum College in softball and Wilmington in indoor track and field; and five teams ended their seasons in the "Sweet 16": Baldwin-Wallace College in football, Wilmington in women's soccer, JCU in men's soccer and wrestling and Otterbein College in men's golf. Individually, Mount Union's Eddis Singleton and Wilmington's Emily Herring both became national champions in their respective events, the 50-yard freestyle in swimming and

the high jump in track and field.

Individually, the Conference was represented by 56 All-Americans, 32 men and 24 women, and 13 Academic All-Americans to go along with a bevy of regional and national honors for our student-athletes and coaches. The Conference also had an athlete earn CoSIDA Academic All-America Team Member-of-the-Year honors in her respective sport.

The OAC, the third oldest conference in college athletics, is predated only by the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (1888) and the Big Ten (1895). The Conference is older than the World Series and even the NCAA itself and has survived two world wars, the Great Depression, the Korean War and the Vietnam Conflict. From a modest beginning of six charter members in 1902, the OAC grew to as many as 24 members in the mid-1920s.

Through the years a total of 30 colleges and universities at one time or another have been members of the OAC. Currently the Conference consists of 10 members, including Baldwin-Wallace College, Capital University, Heidelberg College, John Carroll University, Marietta College, Mount Union College,

Muskingum College,

Ohio Northern University, Otterbein College and Wilmington College. Wilmington became the 31st OAC member school, on July 1, 2000.

In the OAC's first year of existence, 1902, the first Conference champion was crowned. Case Tech won the football title with a 5-0-0 record. Outdoor track was added a year later and a third sport, cross country, became a Conference sport in 1914. More sports were steadily added to the OAC's repertoire throughout the years, culminating in the addition of women's sports in 1984. The Conference currently sponsors championships in 21 sports, 11 men's and 10 women's.

The enrollments at the 10 OAC institutions range from 1,200 to 4,500. All of the schools were founded in the 19th century and have long and outstanding academic reputations. While maintaining these high academic standards, Ohio Athletic Conference athletic teams and athletes have consistently enjoyed a great deal of success on a regional and national level. The athletic competition is viewed not as an end in itself, but as an extension of the educational programs.

Ten Yellow Jacket Student-Athletes Named to the 2004 Academic All-Ohio Athletic Conference At-Large Teams

BEREA, OHIO -- Ten Baldwin-Wallace College student-athletes have been named to the Academic All-Ohio Athletic Conference At-Large teams, recognizing each for their performances in the classroom and on the field of play.

To be eligible for Academic All-OAC accolades, a student-athlete must have at least a 3.25 cumulative grade point average, be a starter or key reserve and be in at least his/her second year of participation in the sport. To view both the men's and women's At-Large Academic All-OAC teams, please click here.

Four Yellow Jackets were named to the men's Academic All-OAC At-Large team. They were senior swimmers Chris Clukey (Terrace Park/ Cincinnati Mariemont) and Scott Roberts (Sandusky/ Perkins) and junior men's tennis standout Ward Crane (Hudson/ Western Reserve Academy). In

addition, junior men's tennis player Matt Seitz (Olmsted Falls) was selected honorable mention Academic All-OAC.

Clukey, a psychology major, finished his collegiate career with a 3.67 GPA and competed in the freestyle, butterfly and breaststroke events. He is eighth in school history in the 50-yard free (22.75 seconds), fifth in the 100-yard butterfly (55.97 seconds) and sixth in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:03.50). This is the second time that Clukey has been an Academic All-OAC selection.

Roberts, a history major, is a member of both the swim and track and field teams and has also run cross country. He finished with a 3.35 GPA and competed in the butterfly and individual medley events. As a senior, Roberts was an

All-OAC award winner in the 200 IM (2:02.63), 400-meter relay (3:37.15), 200-meter medley relay (1:39.14) and was the OAC champion

in the 100-yard butterfly (52.74 seconds) and in the 200-yard butterfly (2:01.14). This is his first selection to the men's At-Large Academic All-OAC team as a swimmer. Roberts is also an Academic All-OAC team member in track and cross country.

Crane carries a 3.64 GPA in business administration and finance, and is a member of the men's tennis team that finished a perfect 22-0 and were OAC regular season and OAC Tournament champions. The Yellow Jackets became the first team in OAC history to finish a season undefeated. Crane has a 44-13 career mark as a No. 1 and No. 2 singles player and has a 19-2 overall slate at No.2 this year. He is also a three-time first-team All-OAC award recipient. Crane was also a first-team Academic All-OAC selection in 2003.

Seitz, a business administration

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major, carries a 3.88 GPA and is also a member of the men's tennis team. He finished his junior season with a perfect 2-0 individual record in singles play as a backup for the third straight season. Seitz has has a perfect 17-0 career mark. This is his first selection as Academic All-OAC.

On the women's side, senior women's tennis player Sarah Juzwik (Ashland/ Senior), senior swimmers Teri Miller (Dublin/ Coffman) and Marynda Yocum (Canal Winchester/ Pickerington) and junior swimmer Kristen Showalter (Bowling Green) were named Academic All-OAC At-Large. In addition, senior swimmer Carey McDermott (Salem/ Senior) and junior swimmer Lisa Fox (Copley) were both selected honorable mention Academic All-OAC.

Juzwik, a conservatory of music major, had a 3.72 GPA and rotated between the No.1 and No. 2 singles positions during her two-year varsity career. She posted an 8-11 singles record this spring and was 12-6 as part of the No.1 doubles team. Juzwik, who had a 12-6 singles mark at No.1 as a sophomore, was a first-team All-OAC selection in 2002. This is her first time being selected Academic All-OAC.

Miller, Showalter, Yocum, Fox and

McDermott are all members of the B-W swim team.

Miller, a business administration and accounting major, has a 3.78 GPA and competed in the distance freestyle events. Miller had season best times in the 1,000 -yard freestyle (11:59.78), 1,650-yard freestyle (20:00.20), 400-yard individual medley (5:05.42), and the 500-yard freestyle(5:50.68). In B-W swimming and diving history, Miller ranks 10th in the 1000-yard free (11:54.61), seventh in the 1650-yard free (19:58.38), fourth in the 400-yard IM (5:022.42) and eighth in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:42.45). This is her first selection to the At-Large Academic All-OAC team.

Showalter is an early childhood education major who carries a 3.39 GPA and competes in the butterfly and middle distance and distance freestyle events. Showalter is an 18-time All-OAC award winner and seven-time OAC Individual champion. She currently holds three individual school records (200 free, 500 free and 1000 free) and is a member of two record-setting relay teams (400-yard medley and 400-yard free relay).

Yocum, a psychology major who graduated with a 3.59 GPA, competed in the backstroke and freestyle events.

She is a seven-time All-OAC award winner and holds the school record in the 100-yard backstroke and is a member of two record-setting relay teams (400 medley relay and 200 free relay). As a junior in 2003, Yocum was the OAC champ in the 100-yard backstroke. She is also a member of the B-W cross country team.

McDermott, an early childhood major, had a 3.32 GPA and graduated a year early (in three years). She competed in the breaststroke and individual medley events. She is a four-time All-OAC award recipient and owns school records in the 100 and 200-yard breaststroke events. McDermott is also a member of school record-setting relay teams in the 200-yard medley relay and the 400 medley relay. In addition to excelling in the pool, McDermott served as the Sports Editor of the student newspaper, The Exponent, for two years.

Fox, a mathematics and business administration major, carries a 3.47 GPA and also competes in the backstroke and IM events. She is a five-time All-OAC award recipient and was the OAC Champion in the 100-yard backstroke and a member of the school record setting 200-yard medley relay team in 2003-2004.

Baldwin-Wallace College Tennis Players Wagner and Isaac are 2004 OAC Players of the Year; Rector is OAC Men's Coach of the Year

BEREA, OHIO -- Baldwin-Wallace College junior men's tennis player Mike Wagner (Avon Lake) and freshman women's player Andrea Isaac (New Philadelphia) are this year's Ohio Athletic Conference Men's and Women's Tennis Players of the Year and Brian Rector is this year's OAC Men's Tennis Coach of the Year.

Wagner led the Yellow Jackets men's team to its first OAC title since 1992 as B-W finished a perfect 22-0 overall, 9-0 during the OAC regular season and shut out all three opponents at last weekend's OAC Tournament. Individually, Wagner was 19-1 overall in 2003-2004 with his only loss coming in the fall at the ITA (Intercollegiate Tennis Association) Regional Tournament. This spring, Wagner was a perfect 18-0 in singles play, including a 17-0 mark as B-W's number one player. To illustrate Wagner's dominance this spring, he did not lose a set (36-0). In addition, Wagner and



*Andrea
Isaac*

*Mike
Wagner*

*Brian
Rector*

his number one doubles partner, Ward Crane (Hudson/ Western Reserve Academy) were also 14-4. Wagner, a three-time first-team All-OAC selection by the OAC Coaches, is 53-6 in three seasons in the Brown & Gold. His season also may not be over as he is awaiting word from the NCAA Division III Selection Committee in the next 10 days regarding an individual spot in this year's NCAA Division III National Tournament. Wagner is just the second B-W player in school history to be named as the OAC Men's Player of the

Year.

Isaac burst onto the scene this year and compiled a 19-1 individual mark as the Yellow Jacket women's No.1 singles standout. She began the season playing No.2 singles but moved into the No.1 position early into the spring campaign and was a perfect 8-0 against OAC competition. Isaac is the first freshman to be named as the OAC Women's Player of the Year. Her 19 victories set a B-W freshman record and was one shy of the all-time school mark of 20.

Rector was named as the Coach of the Year for the first time in his 15-year career. The OAC title this spring also marked his second during Rector's tenure. In 15 years, Rector has a 243-57 career mark. In the past two years, Rector's Yellow Jackets are 42-4 overall. Rector is a 1989 B-W graduate and a former Academic All-America player.

Avon Lake Graduate Mike Wagner Serves Notice to the OAC That the Baldwin-Wallace College Men's Tennis Team Means Business

By Ross Fiorello '07

BEREA, OHIO -- Former Avon Lake High School graduate Mike Wagner is acing his way through Baldwin-Wallace College. But it hasn't come easily, and Wagner knows it will take continued hard work to complete what he's started.

No, the B-W junior isn't getting straight A's, although the computer science major does maintain a solid 3.1 grade-point average. Instead, it is on the tennis court that Wagner was flawless this past spring.

Wagner compiled a perfect individual record last spring (17-0) as B-W's number-one singles player and finished with a 19-1 overall record. In fact, Wagner has lost only six collegiate singles tennis matches in his three seasons at B-W, and he has amassed a 53-6 career singles record. But it is Wagner's lone loss this season that has him motivated for the rest of the year.

Wagner's loss came at the fall Midwest Intercollegiate Tennis

Association (ITA) Tournament at Depauw (Ind.) University. However, the three-time All-Ohio Athletic Conference selection isn't so sure that the result from the fall would be the same if he were to meet up again with the same opponent.

"I believe that I am a better player now than I was in the fall," Wagner said. "However, I still should have beaten him in the fall, even though I didn't play anywhere near my best in that match. I think that if I played him again I would win easily."

Brian Rector, the head men's tennis coach at B-W, doesn't doubt it.

"Mike is a student of the game and works very hard on improving his level of play," said Rector, a 1985 graduate of North Olmsted High School, a 1989 graduate of B-W and former Yellow Jacket Academic All-American. "Mike has unmatched groundstroke consistency and his match strategy is excellent.

"Plus, Mike is a very confident young man, on and off the court, as well as being a good sportsman," said Rector, the winningest coach in Yellow Jacket history and at one time the winniest player in school history. "Mike is on pace to challenge or set virtually every school record. Providing Mike stays healthy, he will be considered one of the best to ever play at B-W."

In addition to his duties as B-W's number-one singles player, Wagner also teams with fellow junior and No.2 singles player Ward Crane (Hudson) to form the Yellow Jacket No.1 doubles team. Together, this duo compiled a 14-2 record in 2003-2004. Both Wagner and Crane have been stalwarts in leading B-W to the top of the OAC Standings and helped the program do what no team has ever done, finish the season undefeated.

During Rector's reign at B-W, the program is 243-57 overall and 113-25 against OAC teams in 15 years. Virtually every year, the team is challenging for the top spot. In 2002-2003, B-W finished second at the OAC Tournament, losing only to arch-rival Ohio Northern University, 4-3, in a match that came down to a tie-breaker

in the final match which ONU won.

"We all remember what happened two years ago," said Rector. "I think that it was a huge motivator for this team heading into this past season. We lost by just two tie-breaker points. You can't get much closer than that score. We wanted to take home the hardware. I think Mike, Ward and all of the rest of the guys felt the same way."

B-W won its OAC regular season match against the Polar Bears, 5-2, which many thought would be a preview of the championship match for the OAC tournament. Wagner saw this as a serious step in the right direction for achieving one of the goals that he and his teammates set before the season: winning B-W's first OAC regular season title since 1992.

"Winning the OAC was a goal for my teammates and I," Wagner said. "We believed that we should win the OAC, and if we didn't, it would be a huge disappointment. We worked way too hard not to achieve our goal."

In addition to hoping that his team would win the OAC title, Rector also hoped that Wagner would receive respect and be granted an at-large spot in this year's NCAA Division III National Tournament.

"Getting our team in the NCAA Division III National Tournament was not a possibility due to the many political aspects involved," said Rector. "But individually, Mike lost just one match and two sets all season. He has shown that he has the ability to play well against good competition. We just hope he gets a chance to prove that he belongs. If not, then it will become another huge motivator for him as a senior."

Having coached some of the Yellow Jackets finest teams during his 15 seasons as head coach at B-W, Rector felt that last year's team had the combination of depth and talent that could lead the tennis program further than it has ever been before

"This may have been the deepest team in terms of talent that I have ever coached," Rector said. "This team's



Mike Wagner posted a 19-1 overall singles record in 2003-2004 and was named OAC Men's Tennis Player of the Year.

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desire and confidence to reach the goals we set at the beginning of the season is special. I felt that we were capable of winning the OAC regular season and OAC Tournament championships.

"We have continued to build on last year's milestones," said Rector. "This is a junior-and-senior-laden team that has grown in experience, and they have done it together for three years; through the good times, and the difficult ones as well."

For Wagner, it seems that it is the experience of playing against his own teammates in practice every day that has benefited his game the most.

"Ward Crane has been a major influence on my game," Wagner said of his teammate. "Two years ago, Ward was a much better tennis player than me; playing against him and watching him play for two years has really helped my game tremendously.

I have a great deal of respect for Ward," continued Wagner. "Not only is he an outstanding tennis player, he is a very good student (an Academic All-District player with a 3.8 grade point average) and a great team leader. Ward is always willing to give of himself to help the team.

"Some players might have not taken a move from No.1 singles to No.2 singles very well," said Wagner. "With Ward, it is like we have two No.1 players on the same team. He knew it would help the team and he never missed a beat. That just made my respect for him grow even more. He is a great friend and a great teammate."

Crane, too, has benefited from playing against Wagner.

"Mike and I play against each other a lot," Crane said. "We play different styles and the thing I get most out of playing with him is that he runs down every ball and forces me to hit different shots. He is always a challenge, so it's fun to play against him."

Another player, graduated senior and team captain Dean Morse (Wickliffe), who compiled an impressive overall singles record of 53-6 during his four-year career, is grateful to Wagner for helping him to raise his game to the next level.

"Playing with Mike has made each of us a much better tennis player," said Morse. "Having the opportunity to play against him in practice and to watch him play during matches really helped me to make myself a better player. Mike is also very willing to help out his teammates to make them better.

Mike has great work habits and is a tireless worker on his weaknesses, and there aren't many of them," said a jovial Morse. "He is a great role model for both the older and younger players in the program. He hustles all of the time and makes us want to hustle all of the time too."

Wagner's selfless attitude is further exemplified by his off-the-court endeavors, which include his role as the Director of Tennis at the Avon Lake Recreation Department; as an assistant tennis professional at North Ridge Racquet Club; and as the head varsity tennis coach at St. Augustine High School in Lakewood

In teaching the game he loves so much, Wagner's advice to his pupils closely mirrors the principles that he



Mike Wagner finished the 2003-2004 season 17-0 at the No. 1 singles position and helped the Yellow Jackets to OAC regular season and tournament titles.

himself has followed to attain his current position amongst the OAC's elite.

"It takes a lot of time and commitment to improve your game," said Wagner "But if you love the game, and you work hard at improving your weaknesses, getting better is very easy to do."

The Baldwin-Wallace College Women Set an Ohio Athletic Conference Record With its Sixth Straight All-Sports Championship

BEREA, OHIO - - The Baldwin-Wallace College women captured an Ohio Athletic Conference record sixth straight All-Sports Championship in 2003-2004. The Yellow Jacket men finished third in the 10-school OAC.

The women totalled 57.99 points to edge second place Otterbein (57.25) by 0.74 points. The Yellow Jacket men had 62.25 points and trailed the champion by 5.75 points.

The Yellow Jacket women broke their own OAC record of five straight OAC All-Sports titles which they had done twice. The mark was originally set from 1991-92 through 1995-96 and then tied prior to this year with titles beginning in 1998-99 to the present.

Helping the women's cause were OAC titles by the volleyball team (regular season) and women's

basketball team (regular season) and second place finishes by the swim teams (regular season and OAC Championships) and softball squad (regular season).

The men's third place showing was bolstered by an OAC tennis title and second place finishes by the men's basketball team (regular season) and football.

2004-2005 Schedule

	Day	Site	Result
Sept.	25	ALLEGHENY (Pa.)	WON, 4-3
Oct.	1-4	@ ITA Small College Tennis Championships	
Feb.	19	PENN STATE BEHREND	WON, 7-0
		TIFFIN UNIVERSITY	WON, 7-0
	26	MALONE	WON, 7-0
		OHIO DOMINICAN	WON, 7-0
Mar.	6	vs. Roanoke (Va.) College ^	4:00
	7	vs. University of Charleston (Va.) ^	10:00 a.m.
	8	vs. Waynesburg (Pa.) College ^	8:00 a.m.
	8	vs. Ithaca (N.Y.) College ^	3:00
	10	vs. Ohio Wesleyan University ^	10:00 a.m.
	10	vs. Eastern (Pa.) University ^	5:30
	17	WALSH	3:30
	26	MOUNT UNION *	1:00
	29	@ Kenyon	4:00
Apr.	2	@ Capital *	1:00
	6	HEIDELBERG *	3:30
	9	@ Marietta *	1:00
	12	OTTERBEIN *	3:30
	15	@ Oberlin	4:30
	16	MUSKINGUM *	1:00
	18	JOHN CARROLL *	3:30
	20	@ Ohio Northern *	3:30
	23	@ Wilmington *	1:00
	28-30	OAC Tournament @ Marietta	8:00 a.m.

* - denotes Ohio Athletic Conference match.

^ - denotes Spring trip games to Hilton Head, S.C.

BOLD and CAPS denote HOME match.

Baldwin-Wallace Beats Ohio Northern, 4-0, to Win the 2003-2004 Ohio Athletic Conference Championship

BEREA, OHIO -- The top-seeded Baldwin-Wallace College men's tennis team defeated Ohio Athletic Conference rival and second-seeded Ohio Northern University, 4-0, today (Saturday, April 24) in Ada to win the 2004 OAC title. The match was a rematch of last year's OAC title match that ONU won in Berea. It is also B-W's first OAC men's tennis crown since 1992.

The victory gave B-W a 22-0 overall record and marked the first time in the 101-year history of the OAC that a school went through its entire season with an undefeated record.

"This was a great, great

accomplishment," said a jubilant 15-year Yellow Jacket Head Coach Brian Rector, the winningest men's tennis coach in school history who improved to 243-57 overall. "Winning the OAC title was our number one priority and number one goal, so it is great to see our kids achieve that goal.

"It was just an unbelievable year," said Rector. "We received contributions from every single person in our program. Each young man made a commitment to himself and his teammates. I am so proud of our team."

In the championship match, junior number one singles player Mike

Wagner (Avon Lake), junior No.2 player Ward Crane (Hudson/ Western Reserve Academy) and junior No.6 player Adam Slabodnick (Ashland Senior) all won in singles and in straight sets. In doubles, the No.1 duo of Wagner and Crane and the No.3 tandem of sophomore Brandon May (New Philadelphia) and Slabodnick each won in an eight-game pro set.

En route to the title, B-W defeated #8-seed Heidelberg College, 4-0, in the quarterfinals and then beat fourth-seeded Capital University, 5-0, in the semifinals.

2004-05 Men's Tennis Roster

Returning Veterans:

NAME	YR.	HT.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL)
Dave Bensch	So.	6-2	Oak Harbor
Ward Crane ***#	Sr.	5-9	Hudson (Western Reserve Academy)
James Daly	Fr.	5-9	Akron (Firestone)
Brandon May **	Jr.	5-10	New Philadelphia
Ryan McCartney *	So.	5-11	Lorain (Admiral King)
Dan Mitoff **	Jr.	6-0	Lorain (Admiral King)
Matthew Seitz **	Sr.	6-1	Olmsted Falls
Adam Slabodnick ***	Sr.	6-0	Ashland
Derek Sloan ***	Sr.	5-10	Bellevue
Mike Wagner ***	Sr.	5-9	Avon Lake

* -- denotes varsity letters earned.
 # -- denotes team captain.

2004-2005 Baldwin-Wallace Men's Tennis Team



Front Row (From Left to Right): Mike Wagner, Adam Slabodnick, James Daly, Ryan McCartney, Derek Sloan and Ward Crane.

Back Row: Head Coach Brian Rector, Brandon May, Dave Bensch, Matt Seitz, Dan Mitoff and Student Athletic Trainer Michele Thornton.

Returning Letterman: Seniors



Ward Crane
Senior
Bus. Admin./Finance
Hudson, Ohio
Western Reserve Academy



The Ward Crane Notebook.....

- Ward will be competing in his fourth and final season of tennis in 2004-2005.
- Last season, he had a 19-2 singles record alternating between the number one and number two spots. Ward also posted a combined 15-2 record as a doubles player.
- Ward is a three-time All-OAC award winner. He also was named Academic All-OAC as a junior and CoSIDA Academic All-District IV.

YEAR	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	W-L	.PCT	GAMES	W-L	.PCT
2001-02	1	17	12-5	.706	39	27-12	.692	321	197-124	.614
2002-03	1	19	13-6	.684	40	28-12	.700	304	206-98	.678
2003-04	1/2	21	19-2	.905	43	39-4	.907	327	245-82	.749
Total	---	57	44-13	.772	122	94-28	.770	952	648-304	.681



Matthew Seitz
Senior
Business Administration
Olmsted Township, Ohio
Olmsted Falls High School



The Matthew Seitz Notebook.....

- Matt will be competing in his fourth and final season of tennis in 2004-2005. He earned his third varsity letter last year.
- During his three-year career, he has seen action as a backup role player and has played at every singles position except the number one spot.
- Last season, Matt posted a 2-0 record at the number five singles position and he also record an 0-1 record in doubles.

YEAR	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	W-L	.PCT	GAMES	W-L	.PCT
2001-02	2/3/4	5	5-0	1.000	11	11-0	1.000	63	60-3	.952
2002-03	2/3/5/6	10	10-0	1.000	21	20-1	.952	150	122-28	.813
2003-04	5	2	2-0	1.000	4	4-0	1.000	24	24-0	1.000
Total	---	17	17-0	1.000	36	35-1	.972	237	206-31	.869



Returning Letterman: Seniors



Adam Slabodnick
Senior
Bus. Admin./Computer Sci.
Ashland, Ohio
Senior High School



The Adam Slabodnick Notebook.....

- Adam is entering his fourth and final season of tennis in 2004-2005.
- Last season, he injured his hand and saw limited action at the number six singles position. He recorded a 3-0 record in singles and 13-1 mark in doubles.
- Adam was an honorable mention All-OAC award recipient as a freshman.

YEAR	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	W-L	.PCT	GAMES	W-L	.PCT
2001-02	2/5	19	14-5	.737	40	30-10	.750	333	220-113	.661
2002-03	1/3/4	19	16-3	.842	43	35-8	.814	367	235-132	.640
2003-04	6	3	3-0	1.000	6	6-0	1.000	48	37-11	.771
Total	---	41	33-8	.804	89	71-18	.797	748	492-256	.657



Derek Sloan
Senior
Bus. Admin./Marketing
Westlake, Ohio
Bellevue Senior High School



The Derek Sloan Notebook.....

- During his three-year career, Derek has seen action at every singles position.
- In 2003-2004, he had an 11-4 record alternating between the three, five and six singles positions. He also had a 10-1 mark in doubles.
- Derek has a 40-16 career singles record with a .714 winning percentage.

YEAR	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	W-L	.PCT	GAMES	W-L	.PCT
2001-02	1/6	21	15-6	.714	44	32-12	.727	358	237-121	.662
2002-03	2/3/4/5	20	14-6	.700	46	32-14	.696	369	249-120	.675
2003-04	3/5/6	15	11-4	.733	31	22-9	.709	257	168-89	.653
Total	---	56	40-16	.714	121	86-35	.710	984	654-330	.664



Returning Letterman: Seniors/Juniors



Mike Wagner
Senior
Computer Science
Avon Lake, Ohio
Avon Lake High School



The Mike Wagner Notebook.....

- Mike is a three-time All-OAC award winner.
- Last season, he had a 19-1 singles record alternating between the number one and two positions. He also had a 14-4 doubles record and was named the Mark Lenssen OAC Men's Tennis Player of the Year.
- Mike has recorded a combined 88 career victories in singles and doubles play which ranks 10th all-time in B-W history heading into his senior season.

Mike Wagner's Career Statistics:

YEAR	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	W-L	.PCT	GAMES	W-L	.PCT
2001-02	2	18	15-3	.833	38	31-7	.816	314	208-106	.662
2002-03	1/2	21	19-2	.905	42	38-4	.905	315	238-77	.756
2003-04	1/2	20	19-1	.950	41	39-2	.951	302	240-62	.794

Total	---	59	53-6	.898	121	108-13	.893	931	686-245	.737



Brandon May
Junior
Biology/Pre-Med
New Philadelphia, Ohio
New Philadelphia High School



The Brandon May Notebook.....

- Brandon will be playing in his third season of tennis in 2004-2005.
- As a sophomore, he started at the number five singles spot and recorded a perfect 14-0 record. He also had a 14-2 doubles record.
- Brandon is a Dean's List student with a 3.33 grade point average in Biology/Pre-Med.

Brandon May's Career Statistics:

YEAR	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	W-L	.PCT	GAMES	W-L	.PCT
2002-03	2/3/4/5	6	5-1	.833	12	10-2	.833	93	64-29	.688
2003-04	4/5	14	14-0	1.000	31	28-3	.903	110	84-26	.764

Total	---	20	19-1	.950	43	38-5	.884	203	148-55	.729



Returning Letterman: Juniors/Sophomores



Dan Mitoff
Junior
Bus. Admin./Sport Mgt.
Lorain, Ohio
Admiral King High School



The Dan Mitoff Notebook.....

- Dan will be competing in his third season of tennis in 2004-2005.
- Last season, he saw limited action as a backup doubles player and compiled a 2-0 record.
- As a freshman, Dan split time as a backup singles and doubles player. In singles, he posted a 2-0 record at the number six spot and had a 2-1 record in doubles.

YEAR	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	W-L	.PCT	GAMES	W-L	.PCT
2002-03	6	2	2-0	1.000	4	4-0	1.000	27	24-3	.889
2003-04	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Total	---	2	2-0	1.000	4	4-0	1.000	27	24-3	.889



Ryan McCartney
Sophomore
Secondary Educ./Mathematics
Lorain, Ohio
Admiral King High School



The Ryan McCartney Notebook.....

- Ryan will be playing in his second season of tennis in 2004-2005. He earned his first varsity letter as a freshman.
- In 2003-2004, he split time between the number five and six singles positions and had a 10-0 record in singles and a 2-1 record in doubles.
- Look for Ryan to see more action in the Spring as the Yellow Jackets look to defend their first OAC title since 1992.

YEAR	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	W-L	.PCT	GAMES	W-L	.PCT
2003-04	4/6	10	10-0	1.000	20	20-0	1.000	154	122-32	.792
Total	---	10	10-0	1.000	20	20-0	1.000	154	122-32	.792



2004-2005 Yellow Jacket Newcomer



The
James Daly File

Year: Freshman
Major: International Business
Height: 5'9"
Hometown: Akron, Ohio
High School: Firestone

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The 2005 Baldwin-Wallace College Men's Tennis Team Benefits From Five Strong Senior Leaders

By: Matthew Florjancic

BEREA, OHIO — A dynasty can be defined as a line of succession in a ruling family. It can also be a group or team that has had success in its field of endeavor for a considerable amount of time. Also, during the past four years, the Baldwin-Wallace College men's tennis team has been a dynasty. The success experienced by the program could be attributed to Head Coach Brian Rector and the five seniors on his roster.

Seniors Mike Wagner (Avon Lake), Derek Sloan (Bellevue), Adam Slabodnick (Ashland/ Senior), Ward Crane (Hudson/ Western Reserve Academy) and Matt Seitz (Olmsted Falls) have compiled outstanding records in their singles and doubles careers. However, as a team, their numbers are just as impressive.

Together these strong student-athletes have helped the Yellow Jacket tennis program become one of the best in the Ohio Athletic Conference and in the Central Region of Division III according to ITA (Intercollegiate Tennis Association).

B-W, the defending 2004 OAC regular season and OAC Tournament champion, enters its final OAC regular season match tomorrow (Saturday, April 23, 2005) at Wilmington College with

a 19-2 overall and perfect 8-0 OAC mark. When B-W beat OAC arch-rival Ohio Northern University, 4-1, in Ada on Wednesday (April 20), the Yellow Jackets clinched their second straight OAC regular season title, won for the 41st time in their last 43 overall dual matches, won their 20th straight OAC match dating back to the OAC Championship match in 2003 and won for the 18th straight time at home. In addition, B-W won its first 12 matches this season and combined with last year's perfect 22-0 record established an OAC-record 34-match winning streak.

"Our seniors have been a key to our success this season and for the last four years," said veteran 16-year Yellow Jacket Head Coach Brian Rector, who is the winningest men's tennis coach in school history with 261 wins. "What these five have helped us accomplish as a team is outstanding. What they have accomplished individually is unbelievable."

Overall, the quintet have won a combined 456 individual matches at the singles and doubles levels and have a 456-134 record with a .773 winning percentage. They are a combined 250-60 mark in singles action for an .806 winning percentage and a 206-74 doubles record with a .736 winning per-

centage.

Since these five young men entered the program, B-W has compiled an astounding list of accomplishments.

As freshmen, B-W was 18-6 overall and 6-3 in the OAC and placed third at the OAC Tournament. It was a year of growth and maturity.

"All five saw action as freshmen and four of them started quite a bit," said Rector. "At first, it was difficult to tell which one was the best player. So, I played all of them at No.1 singles at one time or another. Over time, and through challenge matches, we developed a pecking order and a lineup that everyone began to feel comfortable with and had adjusted to."

As sophomores, the team finished 20-4 overall and was 7-1 in the OAC. The 20 wins set a single-season school-record for victories. Unfortunately, B-W lost in the OAC Tournament championship match on a tie-breaker on the final point to ONU. That loss fueled the fire for the past two years.

"I think that loss made each player in our program at that time, including the current seniors, re-dedicate themselves to winning the OAC title in

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2004," said Rector. "You could see a real attitude change. That loss was in the back of everyone's mind all the way until we played ONU in our dual match last season and it carried over to the OAC Tournament."

Wagner thinks the loss in the championship as sophomores helped the team set goals for their junior year.

"It was pretty disappointing losing sophomore year," said Wagner, who has a chance to set a B-W career victory mark with a sigles win at Wilmington. "It helped motivate us for our junior year."

As juniors in 2004, B-W posted a perfect 22-0 record, including a 9-0 mark in OAC play and an OAC regular season title. It was the first time in the 101-year history of the Ohio Athletic Conference that a tennis team (men's or women's) finished the season with an unblemished mark. Of its 22 wins, 17 were by shutout which set another school-record. Then the Yellow Jackets got a second chance to claim the OAC Tournament title and they took full advantage of the situation.

At the 2004 OAC Tournament at ONU, B-W was set to make its statement that been a year in the waiting. It defeated each of its three opponents in convincing fashion. In the first round, B-W beat the Student Princes of Heidelberg by a 4-0 count. Then, in the semi-

finals, they defeated the Capital Crusaders, 5-0. In the finals, B-W returned the favor to ONU. Just like the year before, the host team of the tournament lost in the championship match as B-W defeated the Polar Bears, 4-0. It was only the second time in school history that the men's tennis team won the OAC Tournament (also in 1993).

Rector, who loves to deflect all of his team's success to his players, believes that the seniors have been successful because of their bond off the court.

"These five guys are in the same fraternity [the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity]," said Rector, who was a four-year starter, an Academic All-American, and at one time B-W's all-time winningest player. "They have been growing together since freshmen on and off the court."

Individually, B-W has seen some amazing players come through its doors. However, four of the five seniors are among the Top 15 in wins in school history. Wagner is tied for the school-record for career wins with 76, Crane is tied for sixth place with 61 victories, Sloan is 14th with 48 and Slabodnick is tied with Coach Rector for 15th with 46 victories each.

During his four-year career, Wagner has a 76-10 career singles mark for an .884 winning percentage and has helped win 53 of 79 career doubles matches for a .671 winning percentage. His 76 wins tie him with Kevin Peacock (76-6 from 1995-98) and Chris Johnson (76-



Senior David Sloan (Bellevue) has been a mainstay for the Yellow Jackets alternating between the No. 4, 5 and 6 singles positions. He has a 48-20 career singles record which ranks 14th all-time in school history.

11-1 from 1997-2000). He is a three-time All-OAC player and is currently ranked 17th in the Central Region by ITA. Last year, Wagner earned the Mark Lenssen OAC Men's Tennis Player of the Year Award.

"Mike has had an amazing career," said Rector. "We knew that he was a good player when we recruited him and he has been that and much more. You know with Mike at No.1 singles and playing No.1 doubles that you have a stud."

Crane also has had a stellar career at B-W.

Crane, also a three-time All-OAC player and currently a candidate for ESPN THE MAGAZINE Academic All-America accolades, has a 61-17 career singles mark for a .782 winning percentage and has helped to compile a 54-18 doubles late, including an 18-4 mark this year with Wagner at No.1 doubles. He is serving as a team captain for the third straight year, and in addition to his achievements on the court, Crane has made an even bigger impression in the classroom.

Crane is a member of the Dean's List, the Alpha Lambda Honor Society, and was the recipient of the 2004 Amling Investment Award.

"Ward is a truly great young man who is definitely a leader both on and off the court," said Rector. "He has a high grade point average, has his priorities always in the right places and is a fabulous team leader.

"Ward also is a consummate team player," said Rector. "His first two years he played first singles. When



Senior Adam Slabodnick (Ashland) has a 46-13 career singles record and is B-W's all-time winningest doubles player with 63 victories and is 63-13 overall.

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Mike moved into that spot, Ward moved to No.2 and kept pushing himself and his teammates to get better. This year, we added James (Daly) into the No.2 spot and Ward moved to No.3. His attitude and work ethic never changed. As a player, Ward is a coach's dream."

Crane thinks the team knows how to handle tough situations because they have been together for four years.

"All of the seniors know each other's game well," said Crane. "We usually win the doubles point now, whereas we used to lose it a lot when we were freshman and sophomores. Each of us know what we have to do to be successful and we go out and do it."

"Two years ago, I would say that pressure got to us every now and then," continued Crane. "But we have learned how to deal with both pressure and adversity, and that has been a key to us as a team. Not only do we know how to win, we have the desire and will to go out and produce a win."

Slabodnick, just like Crane, has offered a lot to the program in his four-year career.

He enters the Wilmington match with 46 career wins which makes Rector laugh.

"Yeah, another one of the seniors is passing me by," says Rector. "First it was Mike, then it was Ward, then Derek, and now its Adam. And, I know, as good a player as Matt Seitz is that if we could have gotten him more matches, he'd of done it too. I am so proud of each one of the five seniors. And, they have a great deal to be proud

about."

As a freshman, Slabodnick earned honorable mention All-OAC honors and has a 46-13 career singles record for a .780 winning percentage and is B-W's all-time winningest doubles player with 63 victories and an outstanding 63-13 record and .829 winning percentage His 23 doubles wins this year, including a school-record 22-1 mark with Daly at No.2, are school single-season records. Slabodnick is an athlete that has earned a reputation for being a quiet leader and a consistent doubles player.

"Adam just wins, it is as simple as that fact," said Rector. "No matter what position we ask Adam to play, he goes out and gives great effort."

Slabodnick feels the success of the team is related to the camaraderie of the members of the squad.

"We all get along so well," Slabodnick said. "We always want to go out, hit, and get better. It all comes down to work ethic and the desire to improve. We all have that desire, and it is a key to our success as a team and as individuals."

Sloan also has been a mainstay in the program. He stands 14th on the win list with 48 career singles victories and a 48-20 career record. He also has 28 doubles wins and his career combination record is 76-35 for a .685 winning percentage.

"Derek possesses solid ability and skill and has some success during his four years," said Rector. "Like Adam, wherever we have asked Derek to play, he has gone out and done the job. Even when we have asked him to play at No.1 singles, he's won, and he usually our

fifth or sixth singles player. That should give you an idea of the kind of talent on this team and among our senior class. On many teams, both Adam and Derek, would be among the top players."

Sloan believes his class is successful because they came into B-W with skill and desire.

"We came in as pretty stellar players from

high school," Sloan said. "We came in with a lot of talent and we have been able to go out and win the matches when we needed to."

Sloan is glad he had a chance to play alongside some of the best players in school history.

"It's fun playing with the same four guys because you get close to them," Sloan added. "We all know each other very well. It makes practice fun, it makes road trips fun and when you win, it is even more fun."

Despite not getting as many varsity match opportunities as his classmates, senior Matt Seitz has put together an unblemished college singles record.

Seitz, a business administration major, has a career singles record of 19-0, including a perfect 10-0 slate as a sophomore. He also is 8-2 in doubles action. His career winning percentage for combined singles and doubles matches is .931.

"What goes out and the does the job each and every time he is called upon," said Rector. "He is another coach's dream player. Matt is a great student and an excellent tennis player. Most importantly, Matt is a great person and team member. Our team could not have been as successful without the contribution we have gotten from Matt Seitz both on the court and at practice."

Seitz not only gets the job done on the court, but in the classroom as well.

Seitz is a member of the Dean's List, of the Alpha Lambda Honor Society, and the Delta Mu Delta Honor Society. As a junior, he received the Walter W. Mueller Scholarship and was an At-Large Academic All-OAC honorable mention choice.

With one regular season match left and the 2005 OAC Tournament drawing near, the leadership and desire this group of seniors displayed throughout their careers, Coach Rector thinks the team can make a good run at repeating as OAC champions and possibly getting a national tournament berth.

"Building those friendships makes it easier as we set the goals for the team," said Rector. "We were looking down the road and trying to meet our goals. One was to win the regular season title, and we have accomplished that goal. Another is to repeat as OAC Tournament champions. And, the final one is getting a first-ever NCAA Division III berth to the National Tournament."

The NCAA Division III National Selection Committee will announce the At-Large berths to the National Tournament on May 1. Stay tuned.



Senior Matt Seitz (Olmsted Falls) has a perfect 19-0 career singles record as a backup, adding depth and making the men's tennis team an even bigger threat to its opponents.

FINAL 2003-2004 Baldwin-Wallace College Yellow Jacket Men's Tennis Statistics

Head Coach: Brian Rector

FINAL RECORDS: 22-0 overall, 9-0 OAC

OAC TOURNAMENT: Champions (3-0)

Singles:

NAME	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	WON-LOST	PCT.	GAMES	WON-LOST	PCT.
Ward Crane	1	4	3-1	.750	8	6-2	.750	70	40-26	.629
Mike Wagner	1	17	17-0	1.000	34	34-0	1.000	241	202-39	.838
Ward Crane	2	17	16-1	.941	35	33-2	.943	257	201-56	.782
Mike Wagner	2	3	2-1	.667	7	5-2	.714	61	38-23	.623
Dean Morse	2	1	1-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	20	13-7	.650
Derek Sloan	3	2	1-1	.500	4	2-2	.500	24	12-12	.500
Dean Morse	3	9	9-0	1.000	18	18-0	1.000	146	108-38	.740
Alex Ison	3	11	10-1	.909	23	21-2	.913	194	134-60	.691
Ryan McCartney	4	2	2-0	1.000	4	4-0	1.000	26	24-2	.923
Dean Morse	4	9	8-1	.889	19	16-3	.842	147	107-40	.728
Alex Ison	4	3	3-0	1.000	6	6-0	1.000	40	36-4	.900
Brandon May	4	5	5-0	1.000	11	10-1	.909	86	60-26	.698
Adam Slabodnick	5	1	1-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	16	12-4	.750
Derek Sloan	5	7	7-0	1.000	14	14-0	1.000	113	86-27	.758
Matt Seitz	5	2	2-0	1.000	4	4-0	1.000	24	24-0	1.000
Brandon May	5	9	9-0	1.000	20	18-2	.900	151	112-39	.742
Ryan McCartney	6	8	8-0	1.000	16	16-0	1.000	128	98-30	.763
Mike Popowicz	6	2	2-0	1.000	4	4-0	1.000	29	24-5	.828
Derek Sloan	6	6	3-3	.500	13	6-7	.467	120	70-50	.583
Adam Slabodnick	6	3	3-0	1.000	6	6-0	1.000	48	37-11	.771
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TOTALS	---	121	112-9	.926	250	227-23	.908	1941	1443-489	.743

Doubles:

NAME	POS.	MATCHES	W-L	.PCT	SETS	WON-LOST	PCT.	GAMES	WON-LOST	PCT.
Wagner-Crane	1	16	14-2	.875	16	14-2	.875	172	122-50	.709
Wagner-Ison	1	2	0-2	.000	2	0-2	.000	26	10-16	.384
Seitz-Popowicz	1	1	0-1	.000	1	0-1	.000	10	2-8	.200
Morse-Ison	1	1	1-0	1.000	1	1-0	1.000	11	8-3	.727
Morse-Ison	2	12	11-1	.917	12	11-1	.917	136	96-40	.706
Crane-Morse	2	1	1-0	1.000	1	1-0	1.000	9	8-1	.889
May-Slabodnick	2	2	2-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	21	16-5	.762
McCartney-Mitoff	2	2	2-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	18	16-2	.889
Morse-Sloan	2	1	1-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	12	8-4	.667
Ison-Sloan	2	1	1-0	1.000	1	1-0	1.000	11	8-3	.727
Morse-Sloan	3	2	2-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	19	16-3	.842
Sloan-May	3	2	2-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	23	16-7	.696
Sloan-Slabodnick	3	2	2-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	19	16-3	.842
Sloan-Bensch	3	2	2-0	1.000	2	2-0	1.000	20	16-4	.800
Morse-May	3	3	1-1	.500	3	1-2	.333	28	13-15	.464
Slabodnick-May	3	10	9-1	.900	10	9-1	.900	109	80-29	.734
Sloan-McCartney	3	1	0-1	.000	1	0-1	.000	14	6-8	.428
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TOTALS	---	60	51-9	.850	62	52-10	.839	658	457-201	.695
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OVERALL	---	181	163-18	.901	312	279-33	.894	2599	1900-699	.731

FINAL 2003-2004 Baldwin-Wallace College Men's Tennis Match Scores:

2004 Winter Schedule:

DATE	SITE/OPPONENT	AFFILIATION	Overall Record	OAC Record	Match Score
2/21/04	PENN STATE (Pa.) BEHREND %	III	1-0	-----	WON, 7-0
2/21/04	THOMAS (Ky.) MORE %	III	2-0	-----	WON, 7-0
2/28/04	TIFFIN UNIVERSITY %	III	3-0	-----	WON, 7-0
2/28/04	MALONE COLLEGE %	III	4-0	-----	WON, 7-0

2004 Spring Southern Trip to Hilton Head, South Carolina:

3/7/04	Lake Forest (Ill.) College	III	5-0	-----	Won, 6-1
3/8/04	Emory & Henry (Va.) College	III	6-0	-----	Won, 7-0
3/10/04	Upper Iowa University	II	7-0	-----	Won, 7-0
3/11/04	East Stroudsburg (Pa.) State Univ.	II	8-0	-----	Won, 7-0
3/12/04	Slippery Rock (Pa.) State Univ.	II	9-0	-----	Won, 9-0

2004 Spring Northern Schedule:

3/22/04	JOHN CARROLL *	III	10-0	1-0	WON, 7-0
3/24/04	HEIDELBERG *	III	11-0	2-0	WON, 7-0
3/28/04	@ Otterbein *	III	12-0	3-0	Won, 7-0
3/28/04	@ Ohio Dominican	NAIA	13-0	-----	Won, 9-0
3/30/04	@ Mount Union *	III	14-0	4-0	Won, 6-1
4/3/04	WILMINGTON *	III	15-0	5-0	WON, 6-1
4/7/04	@ Ohio Northern *	III	16-0	6-0	Won, 5-2
4/10/04	MARIETTA *	III	17-0	7-0&	WON, 7-0&
4/17/04	@ Muskingum *	III	18-0	8-0	Won, 7-0
4/19/04	@ Capital *	III	19-0	9-0	Won, 6-1
4/23-4/24/04	@ OAC Tournament at Ohio Northern	III			
4/23/04	vs. Heidelberg	III	20-0	-----	Won, 4-0
4/23/04	vs. Capital	III	21-0	-----	Won, 5-0
4/24/04	vs. Ohio Northern	III	22-0	-----	Won, 4-0

KEY:

* - denotes Ohio Athletic Conference matches; **BOLD FACED TYPE** and **CAPITAL LETTERS** denotes **HOME** matches; # denotes matches suspended by darkness; % -- denotes match played indoors at the North Ridge Racquet Club; & - denotes forfeited match on 4/10/2004.

2003-2004 FINAL Conference Standings

School	OAC MATCHES				ALL MATCHES			
	Wins	Losses	Ties	Pct.	Wins	Losses	Ties	Pct.
BALDWIN-WALLACE *	9	0	0	1.000	22	0	0	1.000
Ohio Northern	8	1	0	.889	16	6	0	.727
Mount Union	7	2	0	.778	12	7	0	.632
Capital	4	3	1	.571	9	10	1	.474
Otterbein	5	4	0	.556	6	11	0	.353
Muskingum	3	5	0	.375	5	7	0	.417
John Carroll	3	6	0	.333	5	9	0	.357
Heidelberg	2	6	1	.250	7	10	1	.412
Wilmington	2	7	0	.222	4	10	0	.286
Marietta	0	9	0	.000	3	11	0	.214

* - Denotes Regular-Season and Tournament Champions

2004 ALL-OAC TEAMS

FIRST TEAM

Pos.	Name, School	Yr.	Hometown/High School
1S/1D	Justin Bays, Otterbein #!	Jr.	Findlay/Wheelersburg
1S/1D	Roberto Caress, Capital #*	Jr.	Cincinnati/Princeton
2S/1D	WARD CRANE, B-W ^*	Jr.	Hudson/Western Reserve Academy
1-2S/1D	Klint McEnergy, Ohio Northern #	So.	Columbus/Bishop Watterson
1-2S/2D	Michael Romanello, Ohio Northern \$!	Sr.	Minford
1S/1D	MIKE WAGNER, B-W ^*	Jr.	Avon Lake

SECOND TEAM

2S/1D	Jeff Good, Capital	So.	Pickerington/Central
2S/1-2D	Josh Hafer, Ohio Northern #@	Jr.	Grove City
3S/2D	ALEX ISON, B-W	Sr.	Tallmadge
2-4S/2D	Kyle Moreland, Mount Union	Fr.	Dover
1S/1D	Ryan Ruthsatz, Mount Union \$	So.	Huron/Sandusky St. Mary's
1S/1-2D	Raban Schaumburg, Heidelberg	Fr.	Frankfurt, Germany

HONORABLE MENTION

4-5S/2D	Ben Boyer, Ohio Northern	So.	Raleigh, N.C./Leesville Road
3S/1-3D	Jon Caporale, Mount Union	Jr.	Richfield/Revere
2-3S/1-2D	Michael Ditmer, Heidelberg \$	Sr.	Springboro
5-6S/1-2D	Nick Fry, Wilmington	Jr.	Springfield/Kenton Ridge
3-4S/1D	Jacob Lauber, Otterbein	Fr.	Dover
2-3S	Heath Lynch, Marietta	Sr.	Vienna, W.Va./Parkersburg
3-4S/2-3D	DEAN MORSE, B-W \$	Sr.	Wickliffe
	Deep Singh, Muskingum	Fr.	Dehra/Doon

KEY:

^ - 2003 First Team, # - 2003 Second Team, \$ - 2003 Honorable Mention
 * - 2002 First Team, ! - 2002 Second Team, @ - 2002 Honorable Mention

2004 Men's Academic All-OAC

MEN'S AT-LARGE ACADEMIC ALL-OAC

Name, School	Yr.	Sport(s)	Major(s)	GPA	Hometown/High School
CHRIS CLUKEY, B-W	Sr.	Swimming	psychology	3.67	Terrace Park/Mariemont
WARD CRANE, B-W	Jr.	Tennis	business administration	3.64	Hudson/Western Reserve Acad.
Michael Ditmer, Heidelberg *	Sr.	Tennis	comp. info. sys./bus. admin.	3.89	Springboro
Nick Fry, Wilmington	Jr.	Tennis	marketing/psychology	3.75	Springfield/Kenton Ridge
Joe Hada, Heidelberg ^+	Sr.	Wrestling	business	3.52	Painesville/Harvey
Mark Hawald, John Carroll ^	Sr.	Wrestling	accounting	3.66	Solon
Mitch Hopf, Wilmington	Sr.	Swimming	middle childhood edu.	3.91	Celina
Ryan Ficco, John Carroll *	Sr.	Wrestling	biology/chemistry	3.96	Greensburg, Pa./Central Catholic
Bryan Kennedy, Wilmington	Sr.	Wrestling	business administration	3.40	Cincinnati/Northwest
SCOTT ROBERTS, B-W	Sr.	Swimming	history	3.35	Sandusky/Perkins
Brian Samol, Marietta ^	Sr.	Tennis	petroleum engineering	3.74	Wheeling W. Va./Wheeling Park

MEN'S AT-LARGE ACADEMIC ALL-OAC HONORABLE MENTION

Robert Caress, Capital	Jr.	Tennis	history education	3.62	Cincinnati/Princeton
Beau Christenson, Capital	Sr.	Golf	criminology/psychology	3.60	Pickerington/Central
Scott Hadley, Otterbein	Jr.	Tennis	middle childhood edu.	3.49	Lewis Center/Worthington Christian
Justin Hiskey, Ohio Northern	So.	Swimming	mechanical engineering	3.65	St. Mary's/Memorial
Tim Lennox, John Carroll	Jr.	Wrestling	finance	3.46	Naperville, Ill./Central
Michael Romanello, MUC	So.	Tennis	civil engineering	3.35	Minford
Richie Schmock, Mount Union	So.	Wrestling	international business	3.77	Berea
MATT SEITZ, B-W	Jr.	Tennis	business administration	3.88	Olmsted Falls
Brad Statzer, Wilmington	Sr.	Wrestling	N/A	3.82	Lewisburg/Tri-County

KEY:

* - 2003 First Team, ^ - 2003 Second Team, + - 2002 Second Team
Student-athletes in italics and bold were unanimous picks

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A Quality Education With "A Personal Touch"

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Admission to B-W is offered on a selective basis. Each application is reviewed independently on its own merits, with careful consideration of course work, class rank, grade point averages, recommendations, test results (SAT or ACT) and extracurricular activities. To apply for admission, we encourage you to complete the application between **September** and **March** of your senior year.

A good high school preparation for B-W includes four years of English, and at least three years of math, social science and natural science, two years of foreign language, and three years of additional academic electives.

Candidates are considered as soon as all application requirements have been met, with notification usually within four to six weeks after their credentials are received.

An Exceptional Value

B-W is committed to making college affordable. In fact, your chances of receiving some form of financial assistance at B-W are excellent. Nearly two-thirds of our current students receive B-W need-based aid; and more than 90 percent receive assistance in some form.

Your first step in the financial aid process is to complete the F.A.F.S.A. (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). This should be completed no later than March 1st. After you have been admitted to B-W and the F.A.F.S.A. report has been received and processed, you will receive your award. Typically this will consist of gift assistance (need-based grant and scholarship), low interest federal loans and work study employment.

Facts About the College

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Address: 275 Eastland Road

Berea, Ohio 44017-2088

Phone: (440) 826-2222 or 1-877-BW-APPLY

Founded: 1845

Full-time Enrollment: 3,100

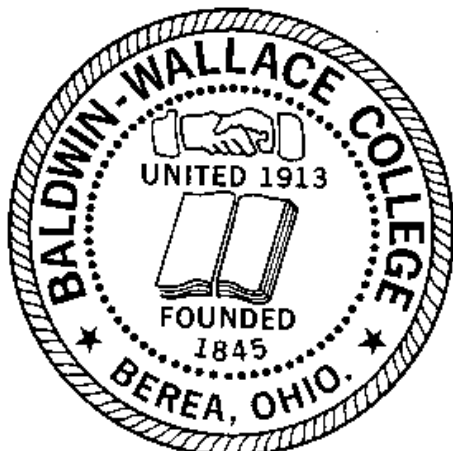
Student/Faculty Ratio: 15:1

Degrees Offered: B.A., B.S., B.S.Ed. B.M.,
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Divisions: business administration, education, health and physical education, humanities, music, science and mathematics, and social science.

E-mail: admission@bw.edu

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Publicizing The Yellow Jacket Men's Tennis Student-Athlete;

Every Baldwin-Wallace student-athlete is treated equally and fairly by the media

To The Parent's of Prospective B-W Men's Tennis Players

The Baldwin-Wallace College sports information office is pleased to be able to service all media who request information concerning Yellow Jacket athletic teams, coaches and student-athletes.

Members of the media are asked to contact the B-W Office of College Relations and Sports Information by either telephone or facsimile machine for the latest in team and individual information.

B-W Sports Information Numbers

Phone: (440) 826-2327 or 2325; Fax: (440) 826-2329
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The Baldwin-Wallace College Men's Tennis student-athlete is one of the best publicized in all of small college and NCAA Division III athletics. Several factors help this to happen.

Its location, its national and conference affiliation and philosophy of athletics, its administration and coaches and its support of the student-athlete all play large roles in telling others about B-W and the successes of its student-athletes.

Baldwin-Wallace College is a small, private, liberal arts college located 12 miles southwest of Cleveland, Ohio. While being in the small and progressive local community of Berea,

B-W student-athletes benefit from being close to a major urban area such as Greater Cleveland/Akron. B-W athletics receive support both in Cleveland and Akron and in the Berea community itself.

Being a member of the prestigious Ohio Athletic Conference and playing NCAA Division III athletics also is an advantage. Coaches who are teachers first forge a solid commitment to the Division III philosophy of the student-athlete. Baldwin-Wallace also is proud of its athletic heritage and the fact that it has produced the third most small college CoSIDA-GTE College Division Academic All-Americans since 1984. In 1997, B-W had three Academic All-Americans, including men's basketball player Kevin Braaten (Strongsville, Ohio) '97. The year prior, men's basketball player Brian Higley '96 (Stow, Ohio) was tabbed as a first-team Academic All-American. Overall, the Yellow Jacket men's program has produced four Academic All-American student-athletes since head coach Steve Bankson took over the program.

Support in terms of facilities, equipment and transportation and in staff provides the Baldwin-Wallace student-athlete with a luxury not enjoyed at many other schools.

One part of that support is in the area of sports information. A diligent staff of B-W sport information student assistants and sport management majors work with the director to publicize B-W and its coaches and student-athletes in 20 NCAA Division III sports.

The students learn first-hand about publicizing a program by updating the internet website, writing hometown press releases and doing feature stories, doing game and

cumulative statistics as well as statistical analysis, game and special event programs, recruiting brochures and media guides, contacting local, state and national media sources prior to and after each game and promoting and administering special events during athletic contests.

Each Yellow Jacket Men's Tennis student-athlete receives a preseason, mid-season and postseason hometown press release which is sent to the individual student-athlete hometown newspaper. When the student-athletes fill out a preseason questionnaire, each is asked to list his or her hometown newspaper.

After each men's varsity tennis match, the internet website is updated, a FAX is sent to B-W's base of local, state and national media that regularly cover or have requested B-W coverage. In addition, hometown facsimile messages about individual performances are also sent either the night of the contest or the next day.

The day following an athletic event, statistics are updated and made available to all requesting the information.

Campus radio station WBWC, 88.3 FM, broadcasts all home and away football and basketball games as well as covering all other Yellow Jacket sporting events, press conferences or announcements on a selected basis. *All Yellow Jacket men's and women's basketball games are also broadcast over the internet website at www.bw.edu/athletics.* A number of former B-W student broadcasters have gone to successful careers in the Greater Cleveland area, both in radio and in television. In addition, the four local commercial television stations and numerous radio stations do game coverage and feature interviews on a selected basis.

The Baldwin-Wallace College student-athlete receives excellent local small college coverage both in terms of game coverage and hometown coverage by *The Plain Dealer* (Cleveland's major daily with a circulation of more than 500,000 homes), the *Chronicle-Telegram* (based in Elyria, Ohio), the *Morning Journal* (based in Lorain, Ohio), the *Beacon-Journal* (based in Akron, Ohio), the *Medina County Gazette* (based in Medina, Ohio), the *Sun News-papers* (Cleveland's largest weekly newspaper serving the Greater Cleveland area) and a number of other daily and weekly publications in Northeast Ohio.

Overall, the sports information office at Baldwin-Wallace College offers the student-athlete the opportunity to receive maximum exposure at the small college level. In addition to giving the Yellow Jacket student-athlete the most comprehensive coverage available at the NCAA Division III level, the B-W sports information student assistant garners solid skills in writing, communications, marketing, promotion and publication layout and design. Overall, 14 former SID student assistants have gone on to sports information careers at either the NCAA Division I and I-AA level such as the University of Texas, Arizona State University, the University of Nebraska, the University of Arkansas, the University of Florida, Monmouth (N.J.), Kent State University, Eastern Michigan University and others. Others are involved with professional teams such as the Kansas City Chiefs of the NFL and the Cleveland Force of the MISL.