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UI and Oral Roberts crowned 2005 Mid-Con Golf Champions

MACOMB, ILL. - The final round of play at the 2005 Days Inn Mid-Continent Conference Men's & Women's Golf Championships at the Harry Mussato Golf Course on the campus of Western Illinois saw IUPUI and Oral Roberts win the men's and women's titles, respectively. The Jaquars second title overall and first since 2002 came down to the wire, while the Golden Eagles, the only school to ever win a Mid-Con women's golf title, led wire-to-wire.

IUPUI, who entered the final round in first place, held off challenges by Southern Utah (905), Western Illinois (906) and UMKC (907) to claim its second title in four years. The Jags carded a 902 for the three-round event to edge the Thunderbirds by three strokes. The T-Birds jumped from fifth place to second Tuesday on the strength of a final-round 298, tying Oakland's first round as the best by any team in the tournament. One stroke separated fifthplace from sixth-place, as Oral Roberts (911) bested Oakland (912). Centenary (927) and Chicago State (1,028) rounded out the men's field.

The final round of play brought about no changes to the women's team standings, as the Golden Eagles (939) topped second place Oakland (989) by 50 strokes. Western Illinois came in third place with a score of 1,005, followed by UMKC (1,012) and IUPUI (1,046).

The men's team title came down to the final nine holes, but the individual title could not be decided in regulation play, as Oakland's Brian Stuard and Southern Utah's Kenny Ebalo remained knotted up at 216 after 54-holes. Stuard birdied the playoff hole to win the top medalist and Player of the Year accolades, after placing his second shot on the par 4 playoff hole less than three feet from the cup. Adam Darrow (219) represented the champion Jaguars on the All-Conference First Team after a third place finish. Joining the tourney's Top 3 finishers on the All-Conference First Team were Centenary's Brett Kaufman (222) and UMKC's Alan Johnson (223). The Newcomer of the Year awards race was just as tight as the Player of the Year, as UMKC's Brian Donnelly, Oral Roberts' Daniel Coughlin and Southern Utah's Eric Nilsson all took a share of the award after shooting a 228.

The Men's All-Conference Second Team consisted of Oakland's Jonathan Pauli (226), Western Illinois' Tim Streng (224) and Dan Votja (226) and Oral Roberts' Dax Murray (225) and Andreas Christensson (226).

The tournament's top three women's finishers all tallied 75, the second best round of the tourney, during their final 18 holes. Oral Roberts' Candice Satow was the top medalist and the Mid-Con Women's Player of the Year after posting a 232 during the 54-hole event. Satow, a senior and two-time Player of the Year recipient, became the first golfer in Mid-Con history (men or women) to be selected to the All-Conference First Team four times.

Western Illinois' Janelle Bush and ORU's Pamela Ontiveros both finished four strokes behind Satow at 236 to tie for second place. Ontiveros was also the Mid-Con Newcomer of the Year award winner. ORU's Toni Pyrum and Jessica Gibson joined the Top 3 finishers on the All-Conference First Team after tying for fifth place with a 240 total.

The Women's All-Conference Second Team was made up of Oakland's Christina Cibrario (244), Patricia Ellsworth (246) and Stacey Goins (247), as well as Oral Roberts' Lilia Maeda (245) and IUPUI's Adrienne Mayhew (248).

IUPUI's John Andrews and Oral Roberts' Lance Watson were the Mid-Con Men's and Women's Coaches of the Year, respectively.

The winners of the 2005 Days Inn Mid-Con Men's & Women's Golf Championships receive the conference's automatic bid to the 2005 NCAA Golf Regionals. The women's regionals tee off on Thursday, May 5, while the men's begin on Thursday, May 19.

Now in its 23rd year, the Mid-Continent Conference is comprised of nine member institutions - Centenary College of Louisiana, Chicago State University, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC), Óakland University, Oral Roberts University, Southern Utah University, Valparaiso University and Western Illinois University. The league offers championships in 19 sports.

Mid-Con Men's Results						
1. IUPUI 2. Southern Utah	304 + 295 + 303 = 902 305 + 302 + 298 = 905					
3. Western Illinois 4. UMKC	300 + 302 + 298 = 905 300 + 302 + 304 = 906 302 + 300 + 305 = 907					
4. UMAC 5. Oral Roberts 6. Oakland	302 + 300 + 305 = 907 310 + 301 + 300 = 911 298 + 304 + 310 = 912					
7. Centenary 8. Chicago State	314 + 301 + 312 = 927 333 + 339 + 356 = 1.028					
FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE	SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE					
Kenny Ebalo, Southern Utah	Tim Streng, Western Illinois					
Brian Stuard, Oakland Adam Darrow, IUPUI	Dax Murray, Oral Roberts Andreas Christensson, Oral Roberts					
Brett Kaufman, Centenary Alan Johnson, UMKC	Dan Vojta, Western Illinois Jonathan Pauli, Oakland					
PLAYER OF THE YEAR	COACH OF THE YEAR					

John Andrews, IUPUI

TRI-NEWCOMERS OF THE YEAR

Brian Stuard, Oakland

Brian Donnelly, UMKC - Daniel Coughlin, Oral Roberts - Eric Nilsson, Southern Utah

Mid-Con W	omen's Results	
Oral Roberts	317 + 316 + 306 = 939	
Oakland	324 + 335 + 330 = 989	
Western Illinois	336 + 332 + 337 = 1,005	
UMKC	332 + 342 + 338 = 1,012	

5. IUPUI FIRST TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

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Candice Satow, Oral Roberts Janelle Bush, Western Illinois Pamela Ontiveros, Oral Roberts Toni Pyrum, Oral Roberts Jessica Gibson, Oral Roberts

SECOND TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE

358 + 347 + 341 = 1,046

Christina Cibrario, Oakland Lilia Maeda, Oral Roberts Patricia Ellsworth, Oakland Stacey Goins, Oakland Adrienne Mayhew, IUPUI

PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Candice Satow, Oral Roberts

NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR Pamela Ontiveros, Oral Roberts COACH OF THE YEAR Lance Watson, Oral Roberts

Mid-Con Men's Leaderboard

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Fin.	Top 20 Players	School	Scores			
**1	Brian Stuard	Oakland	69	73	74	216
2	Kenny Ebalo	Southern Utah	73	74	69	216
3	Adam Darrow	IUPUI	73	75	71	219
4	Brett Kaufman	Centenary	75	72	75	222
5	Alan Johnson	UMKC	73	75	75	223
6	Tim Streng	Western Illinois	72	75	77	224
7	Dax Murray	Oral Roberts	76	74	75	225
8	Andreas Christensson	Oral Roberts	74	77	75	226
	Jonathon Pauli	Oakland	74	76	76	226
	Dan Vojta	Western Illinois	74	76	76	226
11	Justin Wenger	IUPUI	74	73	80	227
12	Daniel Coughlin	Oral Roberts	80	74	74	228
	Gregory Simon	Chicago State	77	75	76	228
	Drew Shafer	IUPUI	80	74	74	228
	Zach Guthrie	Western Illinois	77	77	74	228
	Eric Nilsson	Southern Utah	77	77	74	228
	Brian Donnelly	UMKC	75	79	74	228
18	Nick Kwaterski	Western Illinois	78	74	77	229
	Jeff Stoppel	UMKC	77	72	80	229
20	Zach Johnson	Southern Utah	78	74	78	230

Mid-Con Women's Leaderboard

Fin.	Top 20 Players	School	Scores			
1	Candice Satow	Oral Roberts	80	77	75	232
2	Janelle Bush	Western Illinois	81	80	75	236
	Pamela Ontiveros	Oral Roberts	80	81	75	236
4	Toni Pyrum	Oral Roberts	80	80	80	240
	Jessica Gibson	Oral Roberts	86	78	76	240
6	Christina Cibrario	Oakland	74	86	84	244
7	Lilia Maeda	Oral Roberts	77	82	86	245
8	Patricia Ellsworth	Oakland	79	89	78	246
9	Stacey Goins	Oakland	81	81	85	247
10	Adrienne Mayhew	IUPUI	86	81	81	248
11	Melanie Wilson	Western Illinois	83	80	87	250
12	Traci Patterson	UMKC	79	89	84	252
13	Brittany Hofer	UMKC	92	80	81	253
14	Leigh Gulbransen	Oakland	90	81	83	254
15	*Chloe' Mims	Centenary	85	86	84	255
16	Katie Houlehan	UMKC	84	86	86	256
	Amy Harder	UMKC	82	87	87	256
18	Kara Johnson	Western Illinois	84	87	88	259
19	Kelli Holloway	IUPUI	89	84	87	260
	Beth Kissick	Western Illinois	88	85	87	260

^{*} Indicates competed as an individual

^{**} Indicates won medalist honors on first playoff hole