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DEPAUW WOMEN CAPTURE SCAC CROSS COUNTRY TITLE

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. - The DePauw University women swept the 2003 Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference team and individual championships in the conference meet held Saturday morning at the LaVern Gibson Course, just east of Terre Haute.

The DePauw women won with 44 points followed by Centre College with 68, Trinity University with 77 and last year's champion Rhodes College with 92. The championship by DePauw marked its first since 2000.

Individually, DePauw junior Natalie Shaffer successfully defended her 2002 title by covering the 5,000 meters in 18:42.91 – the fourth-fastest finish in the history of the SCAC women's cross country championships. Rhodes' Marie Brandewiede finished second in 18:51.62.

DePauw also got all-SCAC performances from sophomore Leslie Dillon (19:33.71 – sixth place), senior Betsy App (19:41.19 – 10th place), and first-year runner Liz Ulrich (19:46.33 – 12th place).

With her medalist performance, Shaffer becomes the fifth female runner to repeat as the SCAC Women's Runner-of-the-Year and has the opportunity next season to equal the three individual titles won by Rhodes' Nicole Horvath (1995-97).

2003 SCAC WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM RESULTS

1 – DePauw University	44	6 – Univ. of the South-Sewanee	160
2 – Centre College	68	7 – Southwestern University	179
3 – Trinity University	77	8 – Rose-Hulman Inst. of Technology	216
4 – Rhodes College	92	9 – Hendrix College	237
5 – Millsaps College	155	Oglethorpe University	DNS

2003 ALL-SCAC WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

1 – *Natalie Shaffer, DePauw	18:42.91	8 – Cheryl Finster, Rhodes	19:39.79
2 – Marie Brandewiede, Rhodes	18:51.62	9 – Maeve Goetz, Trinity	19:40.57
3 – Eileen Schilling, Centre	19:01.50	10 – Betsy App, DePauw	19:41.19
4 – Kimberly Palmer, Southwestern	19:16.73	11 – Liz Lee, Sewanee	19:45.13
5 – Lauren Arnold, Centre	19:28.88	12 – Liz Ulrich, DePauw	19:46.33
6 – Leslie Dillon, DePauw	19:33.71	13 – Amber Kosik, Trinity	19:48.43
7 – Kristie Kachler, Centre	19:39.20	14 – Jennifer Emo, Rhodes	19:49.71

***SCAC Women's Runner-of-the-Year**

All-Conference selections were determined by order of finish at the SCAC Championships. The top 14 finishers were automatically declared All-Conference. The top women's finisher was declared Runner-of-the-Year.

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Remaining Individual Finishers:

15 – Libby Huffman, DePauw	19:50.46
16 – Amanda Royalty, DePauw	19:55.16
17 – Molly Eckdale, Trinity	19:56.22
18 – Susanna Pierce, Trinity	19:57.70
19 – Carly Dessauer, Millsaps	20:02.42
20 – Larrisa Wilkinson, Trinity	20:06.74
21 – Emily Mason, DePauw	20:15.98
22 – Jessica Scheider, Southwestern	20:20.22
23 – Ashley Burch, Trinity	20:25.16
24 – Laura Franz, Trinity	20:25.62
25 – Jessica Brown, Millsaps	20:26.12
26 – Megan Shea, Trinity	20:30.05
27 – Jackie Walisa, Centre	20:33.49
28 – Katy Quirk, DePauw	20:36.41
29 – Kate Holmes, Centre	20:37.95
30 – Natalie Postel, Centre	20:38.34
31 – Abby Winterberg, Centre	20:52.73
32 – Hallie Blunck, Sewanee	20:54.55
33 – Adryon Wong, Millsaps	20:56.33
34 – Holly Frindell, Trinity	20:58.84
35 – Julie Coats, Hendrix	21:05.29
36 – Lizzie Phillips, Rhodes	21:08.56
37 – Samantha Mahaffey, Centre	21:09.74
38 – Holen Brady, Oglethorpe	21:15.19
39 – Stephanie Owens, Sewanee	21:18.54
40 – May King, Rhodes	21:33.08
41 – Abbey Walker, Rhodes	21:42.08
42 – Larissa Oaks, Rose-Hulman	21:44.36
43 – Amanda Hecker, Rose-Hulman	21:49.53
44 – Caitlin Doyle, Millsaps	21:52.54
45 – Marisa Shulman, Sewanee	21:53.42
46 – Nora Oliver, Millsaps	21:54.63
47 – Caroline Owens, Rhodes	21:55.95
48 – Kristi LeBlanc, Hendrix	22:02.51
49 – Rachel Rieck, Rose-Hulman	22:10.98
50 – Jessi Ouzts, Sewanee	22:16.68
51 – Diana DeLuna, Southwestern	22:21.88
52 – Andee Cooper, Hendrix	22:31.05
53 – Emily Dieter, Rose-Hulman	22:32.49
54 – Serena Oaks, Rose-Hulman	22:35.21
55 – Diane Thomas, Centre	22:42.30
56 – Elise Traversa, Sewanee	22:44.83
57 – Beth Emborsky, Rose-Hulman	22:51.52
58 – Sarah Lykens, Oglethorpe	23:08.14
59 – Meagan Binkley, Sewanee	24:08.05
60 – Sarah Hoverson, Southwestern	24:09.84
61 – Margaret McGuire, Southwestern	24:15.48
62 – Hidee Kurita, Southwestern	24:21.58
63 – Claire Kurtts, Millsaps	24:55.99
64 – Sarah Kopp, Hendrix	26:35.61
65 – Rebecca Puckett, Oglethorpe	26:45.43
66 – Lollie Lott, Oglethorpe	27:25.74
67 – Xochitl Delgado, Hendrix	27:44.73