Maas Named Max Sparger Scholar-Athlete

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MADISON - **Dave Maas** *(Sr. -Waunakee)* has been named the 2004 Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Max Sparger Football Scholar-Athlete, it was announced recently by WIAC Commissioner Gary Karner.

Maas is majoring in elementary education with a minor in library science and maintains a 3.67 grade point average. He has been named to UW-Eau Claire's Dean's List six semesters and Honor Roll on two occasions. Maas also received the school's Super Six Award in 2004 and was named to the WIAC Scholastic Honor Roll.

Maas, a team captain, recently earned all-WIAC honorable mention honors after receiving second team accolades in 2003. He was also voted the team's Defensive Lineman of the Year a season ago.

Maas is currently a representative and committee chair on UW-Eau Claire's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. He has also volunteered with Special Olympics and is involved with the Reading/Recess program in an elementary school.

Maas becomes the fifth UW-Eau Claire football student-athlete to claim the conference's scholar-athlete honor, joining Austin Crow (2003), Mike Bestul (2002), Bob Schmidt (2001) and Steve Rohrscheib (1992).

Also nominated for this year's scholar-athlete award were: UW-Eau Claire's **Pete Monfre** *(Sr.-New Berlin/Eisenhower)*, UW-La Crosse's Matt Buelow and Andrew Lehman, UW-Oshkosh's Nick Wara, UW-River Falls' Nate Gray, Jon Haughian and Kyle Hoegh and UW-Stout's Jordan Sinz.

The WIAC Scholar-Athlete Award is sponsored by Culver's. In order to be nominated for the scholar-athlete award, a student-athlete must have a minimum 3.25 grade point average, be in their last year of competition, or on schedule to graduate this academic year, and have competed for a minimum of two years.

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