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Murphy, Bellomy Headline SU Baseball's All-SCAC Selections

A total of five players earned conference honors

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First-year [Michael Murphy](#) and junior [Ryan Bellomy](#) headline five Southwestern players named to the All-Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) baseball team, the conference office announced today. Murphy earned one of five All-SCAC Third Baseman slots, while Bellomy was named an All-SCAC outfielder for the second straight year. Junior [Brad Culling](#), senior [Ross Loewe](#) and junior [Matt Mendel](#) earned All-SCAC Honorable Mention accolades.

Murphy had a stellar rookie campaign, leading the Pirates with a .372 batting average, 51 hits and 28 runs. Starting in 35 of 38 games, he knocked out 26 RBI, 12 doubles, three home runs and a triple on the season.

Bellomy earned All-Conference honors for the second straight year, after finishing second on the team with a .333 batting average. As a starter in all 38 contests for the Pirates, he led the team in stolen bases (12), while tallying 43 hits, 26 runs, 20 RBI, 10 doubles and a triple.

Loewe, a starter at second base for SU, knocked out a team-best five home runs, while also leading the Pirates in RBI with 29. He batted .320 on the season with 47 hits.

Culling was a solid fixture in both the outfield and at the plate all season, batting .310 with a team-best 13 doubles. He added 35 hits, 28 runs, 16 RBI, one run and a home run on the season.

Mendel had a standout year on the mound for Southwestern, earning both National Player of the Week and SCAC Pitcher of the Week honors this season. His accolades came after he hurled a complete game no-hitter and struck out a season-high 10 batters as the Pirates halted an eight game skid against Carleton College. His no-hitter was the only of the season for SU, and his ten strikeouts was also a SU season-high. Mendel finished the season with a 4.12 ERA and a team-best 58 strikeouts.

