Al Brewer ‘40 Wins the Citation; Six Student-Athletes Honored

Six student-athletes and one alumnus will be honored at halftime this afternoon with the presentation of the Lydell “Spike” Garnish awards. These awards honor Spike Garnish, a former trainer and coach of football, basketball, and baseball at the University from 1930-1949. Presentations will be made by Halford B. Johnson, ’52, representing the Garnish Committee.

Student-athletes are being recognized for their outstanding accomplishments through their junior year at the University. To qualify for these awards, the student’s must achieve a grade point average of 2.70 or higher.

After the Garnish scholarship awards are presented, the committee will present the Garnish Memorial Citation. This award can be received by an alumnus, a faculty member, or a staff member. Previous winners have included Gerald Zornow, Chuck Resler, Larry Palvino, and Jim Armstrong. The 1992 recipient was Phil Chamberlain ’38, a former track and field athlete who served on the inaugural nominating committee for the Department of Recreation’s Hall of Fame.

The 1993 winner of the Garnish Citation is Allen M. Brewer, ’40. He played basketball for three seasons and captained the team in his senior year. He belonged to several honor societies. He was a former President of the Alumni Association and is a founding member of the Department of Sports and Recreation’s Hall of Fame. He served as President of the Oak Hill Country Club and oversaw three major professional golf championships there: the 1980 PGA, the 1984 U.S. Senior Open, and the 1989 U.S. Open.

Today’s six scholar-athletes represent a variety of sports. The honorees are Tracey Buettgens of the women’s basketball team; Ben Lanning of the baseball team; Kyle Meeker of the men’s basketball team; Perrin Morse of the women’s volleyball team; Eric Sundberg of the men’s soccer team; and Libbie Tobin of the women’s soccer and basketball teams.