

Eakin earns honor in final meet of the season

(Feb. 21) - The McMurry swim team finished the season in Cedar Rapids, Iowa Saturday at the 2006 Swimming and Diving Championships. Freshman Scott Eakin picked up the male swimmer of the meet and the men took a fifth place finish out of 11 teams.

Eakin won both the 1,650-yard freestyle with a time of 16:48.20 and the 400-yard individual medley with a time of 4:20.29. He picked up a second place finish in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:48.89 and was a member of the 800-yard freestyle relay team that finished 4th with a time of 7:26.23.

The 400-yard medley relay team of Wes Hyatt, Jeff Eakin, Matt Armbruster and David Lopez finished fourth with a time of 3:43.49. The team of Scott Eakin, Lopez, Noah James and Armbruster also took fourth in the 800-yard freestyle relay with a mark of 7:26.23.

Lopez finished fourth in both the 100-yard and 200-yard breaststroke events with times of 1:00.34 and 2:17.40 respectively. Armbruster took third in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 48.33 and Hyatt finished fourth in the 100-yard backstroke.

The women's team finished 13th out of 15 teams. The 200-yard freestyle relay team of Balaun Squires, Emily Kavanaugh, Amy Nicholas and Stephanie Sheppard finished 10th out of 24 teams with a time of 1:50.82.

The teams also competed in Siloam Springs, Ark. Feb. 11; neither teams had enough competitors to place in the team rankings, but several swimmers took top marks in the events.

Scott Eakin won both the 1,000-yard and 500-yard freestyle and with a times of 19:39.79 and 5:08.69 respectively. Lopez took first place in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 55.77 and James finished first in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 51.18.