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MEN'S LACROSSE DONATES 117 PAIRS OF NEW SHOES

Red Men Close Out Fall with 4 Scrimmages



Cory Childs (SR Savage, MN)
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On a cold and wet October day, the Carthage College men's lacrosse team wrapped up their fall season by playing four scrimmages on Oct. 2. The afternoon included games against three nationally-ranked MCLA programs, including 2009 and 2010 national champions the University of St. Thomas (Minn.). Carthage defeated Marquette University, 15-1; edged the University of Illinois, 8-7; lost to the University of Minnesota-Duluth, 12-10; and defeated St. Thomas (Minn.) by a 10-8 margin.

"It was a big step for the Carthage lacrosse program," said Red Men head coach, David Neff. "Every player was on the field contributing in each of the first three games, and that's important for fall ball. We played the last game to be competitive and found ourselves coming from behind against a team that has won several national championships at the club level and was undefeated last year. We had a lot of positive things to build on for our spring season. I am excited about the direction of things and think we will have a very strong third season."

The Carthage coaching staff also spent time during each game barefoot on the sidelines as a fund-raising effort for Samaritan's Feet. The goal was to raise more than 30 brand new pairs of shoes, and the Red Men far exceeded that number by bringing 117 pairs. "I want to thank everyone for their generosity," said Neff. "We had aunts and uncles, siblings from far away and a lot of family and friends taking part. I am proud of our guys for reaching out to all of these generous individuals. The shoes are going to help a lot of young people, and it's comforting to know that even in what have been difficult financial times, that so many are willing to take part in helping others."



Dustin Heinrichs (JR Wausau, WI)
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