



Tri-C Outfielder

Matt Starcovic Named Conference Player of the Year

Matt Starcovic of North Olmsted slugs his way to top honor Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C®) baseball player Matt Starcovic has been named 2017 Player of the Year by the Ohio Community College Athletic Conference.

Starcovic made life miserable for opposing pitchers this year, batting .411 with 11 home runs and 54 RBI. The outfielder also legged out 18 doubles and scored 64 runs while reaching base in more than half of his at-bats.

He ranks among the national leaders in most batting categories and won the conference Player of the Week Award three times.

The sophomore from North Olmsted is working toward an Associate of Arts degree at Tri-C.

Three teammates joined Starcovic in earning all-conference honors, including:



Anthony Savarino



Garrett Robberts



Juan Perez

Pitcher Anthony Savarino, a right-hander who went 8-1 with a 2.13 ERA over 12 starts.

First baseman Garrett Robberts, who batted .318 with eight home runs and 42 RBI.

Pitcher Juan Perez, a left-hander who went 5-1 with two saves while working out of the team's bullpen.

The Challengers ended the season ranked 13th in the nation with a record of 45-14. The team finished second in the conference standings and third in the NJCAA Region XII regional tournament.