IRVINE, Calif.- Track and field’s indoor season opened up strong with freshman Aaron Aubrey qualifying for Nationals in his first race ever donning the Lions uniform, which is a first for the track program. He and the rest of the indoor track squad traveled up the road to Concordia University on December 7th to compete in their first meet of the season. Aubrey finished first in the 60 meter dash, with a time on 6.91 seconds right in front of fellow freshman teammate Jordan Lindsey. Aubrey also finished first in the 200 meter dash with a time of 22.13 beating out fellow teammate sophomore Drake Alvarez-Cates who finished with a time of 22.65 seconds. Cates would go on the win the 400 meter dash in 50.45 and senior Nicholas Spector finished second in the 5000 meter in 15:37.39.

Freshman Kelly Quinlan placed first in her first race as a Lion, as she finished in 8.52 seconds in the 60 meter dash, as well as finishing second in the 200 meter dash. Sophomore Taylor Hollis placed second in the 400 meter dash and freshman Jordan Linsky also finished second in the 1 mile run ahead of teammates Jade Mack (4th), Sarah Randolph (5th) and Seika Matsuoka (7th). Freshman Nina Boutin placed second in the 5000 meter run in 20:11.77 in front of senior Rose Codilla who finished third.

The program also had another first as senior distance runner Aaron Perry has earned himself the title of being the first track member to ever qualify for Nationals in the marathon event which he raced on Sunday December 8th. To qualify Aaron had to complete the half marathon (13.1 miles) in under 1:14:00, and did so with a time of 1:13:36.

The Lions return to action when they travel to Azusa Pacific on Saturday January 25, 2014 for the APU Indoor Qualifier.