



UMES Sports Photo

MORE HOOPS WRAP-UP

"BAAD" HOOPS TEAM UNVEILED; COLLINS WINS JOBE AWARD; BLOUNT TO J. C. SMITH

BOBBY COLLINS: Wins BCSP and Ben Jobe Awards as top BCSP coach for 2014-15 and top minority coach in the nation.

2015 BLACK COLLEGE BASEBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors thru 4/6/15)

CIAA	CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION					
	CONF			ALL		
	W	L	W	L	W	L
Winston-Salem State	7	1	22	12		
St. Augustine's	3	1	13	17		
Chowan	5	7	14	16		
Virginia State	1	3	15	9		
Lincoln	0	4	2	18		

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Jason Baytop, Jr., CF, ST. AUG'S - Hit .385 with a double and 3 RBI, 4 runs scored and 2 SBx in 2-1 week.
OFFENSE
Darrel Langston, Fr., OF, ST. AUG'S - Hit .300 with 2 HRs in 2-1 week.
PITCHER
Phillip Hathcock, Sr., P, ST. AUG'S - Allowed 2 hits, 0.00 ERA in five innings vs. Mt. Olive.
DEFENSE
Joshua Bumgardner, Fr., C, ST. AUG'S - 8 putouts, 2 assists, no errors in 2 games.
COACH
Charles Whitaker, ST. AUG'S - Guided Falcons to doubleheader sweep of Chowan, lost to Mt. Olive.

MEAC	MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	CONF			ALL		
	W	L	W	L	W	L
Northern	7	2	9	17		
Maryland-E. Shore	7	2	9	17		
Norfolk State	6	3	9	10		
Delaware State	5	4	6	16		
Coppin State	0	9	1	20		

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Roger Hall, So., SS, NSU - Hit .667 (8-12), with 2 doubles, 1 triple, 11 RBI and 4 runs.
PITCHER
Matt Outman, Jr., P, NSU - Complete game shutout, 11 Ks in 21-0 win vs. DSU.
ROOKIE
Mijon Cummings, Fr., 3B, B-CU - First career HR with 1 RBI and 1 run vs. Miami.

SIAC	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	CONF			ALL		
	W	L	W	L	W	L
East	11	4	15	23		
Claffin	9	4	15	20		
Paine	9	4	18	13		
Benedict	9	5	13	27		
Albany State	3	12	10	18		
Clark Atlanta	1	13	1	23		

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Pablo DeArmas, Fr., 3B, STILLMAN - Hit .500 (8 for 16) with 8 hits, 7 runs and 4 RBI.
PITCHER
Hunter Hood, Fr., LHP, STILLMAN - Fourth consecutive win and third complete game with 13 Ks vs. Tuskegee.

SWAC	SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	DIV			ALL		
	W	L	W	L	W	L
Eastern	9	3	19	11		
Alabama State	11	4	19	15		
Jackson State	9	5	20	11		
Miss. Valley State	3	11	6	19		
Alcorn State	3	12	8	24		

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Yamil Pagan, ALABAMA STATE - Hit .500 including a triple and a HR, 6 runs and 7 RBI. Reached base in all five games with three 3-hit games. Had career-high 3 RBI vs. Florida State.
PITCHER
Blake Ester, UAPB - Picked up two wins in upset of No. 23 Missouri 8-3 and 8-3 win over New Orleans. Pitched 14.1 innings, allowing 3 earned runs and striking out 11.

MEN'S "BAAD" TEAM OF BLACK COLLEGE ALL-STARS



Gibbs May Dillingham Bazemore Gray

Solid senior guard **Madarious Gibbs**, who led the **Texas Southern** Tigers to the **SWAC** regular season and tournament titles, is pegged as the leader of 2014-15 **BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE** "Baad" Team of basketball all-stars and the **BCSP** Player of the Year.

Gibbs averaged 14.2 points per game, fifth best in the conference, and handed out 4.2 assists per game, fourth best, as the centerpiece of the Tigers under **Mike Davis**.

Six-ten center **Kendall Gray**, who led Div. I in rebounding (11.8) while scoring 11.7 points per game, was named the player and defensive player of the year in the **MEAC**. He was the only player in our top three teams to average a double-double.

Black college scoring leader, senior guard **Amere May** of Delaware State (21.0 ppg.), **SIAC** Player of the Year, junior **Denzel Dillingham** of Paine, who finished behind May in the scoring race, and all-**CIAA** forward **Wykevin Bazemore**, who scored 13.3 points per game and finished behind Gray in the rebounding stats (9.8 pg.) round out the first team.

FIRST TEAM

Madarious Gibbs, 6-1, Sr., G, Texas Southern (14.2 ppg., 4.2 app.); Amere May, 6-3, Sr., G, Delaware State (21.0 ppg.); Denzel Dillingham, 6-4, Jr., G, Paine (20.7 ppg.); Wykevin Bazemore, 6-4, Sr., F, WSSU (13.3 ppg., 9.8 rpg.); Kendall Gray, 6-10, Sr., C, Delaware State (11.7 ppg., 11.8 rpg.)

PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Madarious Gibbs, Texas Southern

TOP COACH: Bobby Collins, Maryland-Eastern Shore

SECOND TEAM

Nimrod Hilliard, 6-1, Sr., G, NC Central (12.0 ppg., 6.3 app.); Jamel Waters, 5-9, Jr., G, Alabama State (14.0 ppg., 5.2 app.); NC Central: Jeff Short, 6-4, Jr., G, Norfolk State (19.1 ppg.); Donald Stewart, 6-5, Sr., F, Lane (20.2 ppg., 7.4 rpg.); James Carlton, 6-8, Sr., F, Howard (15.9 ppg., 7.8 rpg.)

THIRD TEAM

Cameron Knox, 6-1, Sr., G, Bowie State (17.4 ppg.); Eric Dubose, 6-1, Jr., G, Livingstone (15.7 ppg.); Ladarius Tabb, 6-5, Jr., G, Alabama A&M (17.9 ppg., 8.0 rpg.); Terrence Bridgeman, 6-3, So., Lane (19.6 ppg.); Nick West, 6-10, Jr., C, Alabama A&M (12.4 ppg., 7.7 rpg.)

WOMEN'S "BAAD" TEAM OF BLACK COLLEGE ALL-STARS



Jackson Tate-DeFreitas Holston Warner Blue

Picking this year's top women's basketball player was tough.

MEAC Player of the Year **Malia Tate-DeFreitas** topped the scoring ledger at 21.3 points per game.

CIAA Player of the Year **Verdine Warner** almost led the conference in both scoring (19.6 ppg., 2nd) and rebounding (12.5 rpg., 1st) while averaging a double-double.

SIAC Player of the Year **Porshia Blue** led the conference in scoring (19.4 ppg.) and was among the leaders in rebounding (7.6 rpg.). Point guard and **SWAC** Player of the Year **Jeannete Jackson** topped the conference in scoring (16.7 ppg.) while dishing out 3.5 assists per game.

Artisha Holston of **SIAC** champion **Albany State** was among the few to average a double-double scoring 13.1 points and 12.1 rebounds per game.

The pick this year is Jackson, whose team was tied for the **SWAC** lead headed into the tournament before an unfortunate brawl caused the Lady Tigers to miss the tournament. **Cedric Baker**, whose **Savannah State** team dethroned five-time **MEAC** champ Hampton, is the coach of the year.

FIRST TEAM

Malia Tate-DeFreitas, So., G, HAMPTON (21.3 ppg.); Verdine Warner, Sr., C, Shaw (19.6 ppg., 12.5 rpg.); Porshia Blue, Sr., G, Miles (19.4 ppg., 7.6 rpg.); Artisha Holston, R-So., F, Albany State (13.1 ppg., 12.1 rpg.); Jeannete Jackson, Sr., G, Prairie View (16.7 ppg., 3.5 app.)

TOP PLAYER - Jeannete Jackson, Sr., PG, Texas Southern

TOP COACH - Cedric Baker, Savannah State

SECOND TEAM

Ezinne Kalu, Sr., G, Savannah State (16.5 ppg.); Tiffanie Adair, Sr., F, Virginia State (14.6 ppg., 8.9 rpg.); Britney Wright, So., F, Alabama State (16.9 ppg., 7.3 rpg.); Jadda Jeffries, Sr., G, Elizabeth City State (20.8 ppg., 4.6 rpg.); Jasmine Peoples, Jr., C, Alabama State (11.3 ppg., 10.0 rpg.)

THIRD TEAM

Chloe Roberts, Fr., G, Lane (17.9 ppg.); Ashle Freeman, Sr., G, VUU (17.8 ppg.); Deja Middleton, Sr., C, Fayetteville State (15.2 ppg., 12.0 rpg.); Kendra Coleman, G, Southern (14.0 ppg.); Alexis Johnson, F, Texas Southern (13.4 ppg., 7.8 rpg.)

BCSP Notes

Bobby Collins of UMES wins Ben Jobe National Coach of the Year Award

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. - University of Maryland Eastern Shore's (UMES) men's basketball head coach **Bobby Collins** was named the *Ben Jobe National Coach of the Year* on Friday, April, 3, an award presented annually to the nation's top minority coach.

It was presented at the CollegeInsider.com Awards Banquet held in Indianapolis, the site of the 2015 men's final four. The banquet was held at the Hyatt Regency, the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) headquarters hotel.

"I'm blessed to be the winner of the 2015 Ben Jobe Award," Collins posted on a social media account. "This is an honor, I have to thank God, my coaching staff, my team, and the UMES family for believing and trusting in me."

Collins has been piling up the hardware, having been named the 2015 **Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC)** Coach of the Year. He was also named a finalist for the Hugh Durham Award, presented annually to the top mid-major coach in the nation and was picked this week as the top black college coach of the year as part of the **BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS PAGE** "Baad" Team.

Collins led UMES to the best season in 41 years, the 1973-74 season when UMES amassed 27 wins and made a second round appearance in the National Invitational Tournament (NIT). This season he guided the Hawks to an 18-15 record, third-place in the league with an 11-5 mark, up from 13th the previous season, and an appearance in the CollegeInsider.com Post Season Tournament. It was the first NCAA post-season appearance for UMES since that 73-74 campaign and the first of any kind in over 30 years.

The Hawks had more wins this season than the last three combined and posted a sold non-conference record as well with a 3-1 mark against the Atlantic-10. They were one of the top three teams in the nation in road wins.

The Jobe award was created in 2010 and is presented annually to the top minority coach in Division I basketball and voted on by a 30-person award committee consisting of five current DI head coaches, five retired head coaches, 10 athletic directors and/or conference administrators, five NBA scouts and/or administrators and five collegeinsider.com staff members. Coach Ben Jobe is the chairman of the awards committee.

Blount in as new J. C. Smith head football coach

Charlotte, N.C. -- **Johnson C. Smith** announced Monday the appointment of **Kermit Blount** as head football coach of the Golden Bulls. Blount has head coaching experience at the NCAA Division I and Division II levels.

"Coach Blount comes to us with a wealth of experience on and off the football field," said JCSU Athletics Director **Steven Joyner Sr.** "He has a history of engaging and collaborating among constituents in higher education and the community as well as alumni and football at all levels. We are very excited about the possibilities of forward movement for our football student-athletes, football program and University under his leadership."

Blount comes to JCSU after serving five years at **Delaware State**. Prior to his appointment at Delaware State, Blount served as head coach at **Winston-Salem State**. While at WSSU, Blount notched a career record of 91-87-3, leading the Rams to an 8-2 record in his final season at the helm. He guided the Rams to two **Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association** Championships and a total of three **CIAA** championship game appearances. He also led the Rams to two Pioneer Bowl appearances, winning in 1999.

Blount was honored as the **CIAA** Coach of the Year and as the Washington D.C. Pigskin Coach of the Year, as well as the 100% Wrong Club

2015 BLACK COLLEGE SOFTBALL (Results, Standings and Weekly Honors thru 4/6/15)

CIAA	CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION					
	DIV			CONF		
	W	L	W	L	W	L
NORTH	4	0	8	2	13	4
Virginia Union	2	0	8	0	15	9
Chowan	2	2	5	5	9	15
Bowie State	2	2	4	6	6	15
Virginia State	0	2	2	6	2	18
Elizabeth City State	0	4	0	10	0	18
Lincoln	0	4	0	10	0	18

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
OFFENSIVE
Meranda Zanni, So., P/2B, ST. AUG'S - Hit .274 in two wins going 5-7, with 1 HR, 2 doubles, 1 RBI and 5 runs scored.
DEFENSIVE
Hannah Willis, Fr., Utility, BSU - Record 10 putouts and 1 assist in four games.
PITCHER
Kayla Robins, So., RHP, CHOWAN - Two shutouts, 12 scoreless innings, six hits, 1-0 3-hitter vs. Barton, 12-0 3-hitter vs. ECU.

COACH
Sharika Joynes, VUU - Led team to 4-0 week, top of N. Div.

MEAC	MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	CONF			ALL		
	W	L	W	L	W	L
Northern	3	0	11	16		
Hampton	3	0	4	16		
Norfolk State	3	0	3	14		
Coppin State	2	4	8	21		
Howard	1	5	3	20		
Maryland-E. Shore	0	3	6	18		
Delaware State	0	0	1	14		

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Calesha Shelley, Sr., OF, B-CU - .833 avg. (10-12) with 8 runs, 7 SBs, 3 RBI vs. SCSU.
PITCHER
Sabrina Anguiano, So., B-CU - Tossed 15 scoreless innings scattering 14 hits and 8 Ks in 3 wins vs. SCSU.
ROOKIE
Maria Davis, Fr., IF, B-CU - Five hits, one triple, 4 RBI and 4 runs in three wins vs. SCSU.

SIAC	SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	CONF			ALL		
	W	L	W	L	W	L
East	9	2	10	17		
Albany State	8	4	8	15		
Fort Valley State	6	7	16	12		
Claffin	5	8	10	20		
Benedict	2	9	4	23		
Clark Atlanta	0	13	6	14		

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
PLAYER
Jasmine McNeal, Sr., SS/C, LANE - Hit .688 totaling 11 hits including 2 doubles, 2 triples and 3 HRs in 6-0 week.
PITCHER
McKenzie Sparks, Fr., RHP, STILLMAN - Pitched perfect game for fifth complete game with 11 Ks, new career high. In relief, 4.1 innings with 9 Ks giving up one hit.

SWAC	SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE					
	DIV			ALL		
	W	L	W	L	W	L
Eastern	5	2	12	16		
Alabama A&M	5	3	11	25		
Alabama State	6	4	15	21		
Jackson State	4	4	9	28		
Miss. Valley State	0	8	2	19		

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK
HITTER
Canessa Swanson, Jr., JSU - Hit .727 with 7 runs, 8 hits, 1 double, 2 triples and 4 RBI.
PITCHER
Chelsea King, Fr., ALABAMA STATE - Pitched 15 innings allowing 4 earned runs (1.86 ERA), 5 Ks, 3 BBs in first start vs. JSU earning complete game win.