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PANTHER, AGAIN: Jay Butler leaves UDC women to return to alma mater as new men's head hoops coach.

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ALCORN, VIRGINIA UNION GET NEW HOOPS COACHES; NFL DRAFT ARRIVES

CIAA CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

CONF	ALL	
	W	L
Winston-Salem State	15	1 33 13
Chowan	9	7 20 18
Virginia State	8	8 23 16
St. Augustine's	7	9 18 25
Lincoln	1	15 3 33

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER
NA
OFFENSE
NA
PITCHER
NA
DEFENSE
NA
COACH
NA

MEAC MID EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

CONF	ALL	
	W	L
NORTHERN	W	L
Norfolk State	16	5 20 12
Maryland-E. Shore	13	8 15 27
Delaware State	11	10 12 25
Coppin State	2	19 3 34
SOUTHERN	W	L
Florida A&M	13	8 17 22
Bethune-Cookman	13	8 15 34
NC Central	12	11 19 25
Savannah State	10	11 17 28
NC A&T	5	15 8 33

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER
Charles Dailey, r-Sr., OF, **DSU** - Hit .643 (9-for-14) with 8 RBI, 7 runs scored, 2 doubles, 1 triple in 3-game sweep of Coppin State.
PITCHER
Lane DeLeon, Fr., P, **DSU** - Took no-hitter for 7 2/3 innings, struck out nine in complete game shutout.
ROKIE
A. J. Hunt, Fr., 3B, **NC A&T** - Hit .500 (5-for-10) with 3 runs scored as Aggies took two of three from Savannah State.

SIAC SOUTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

CONF	ALL	
	W	L
EAST	W	L
Benedict	13	5 22 14
Claffin	13	7 18 27
Albany State	12	5 17 30
Paine	10	6 18 24
Morehouse	4	13 12 19
Clark Atlanta	1	16 1 26
WEST	W	L
Spring Hill	16	0 26 12
Stillman	10	5 12 19
Miles	10	9 16 25
Tuskegee	9	9 15 21
Kentucky State	8	10 12 22
LeMoyné-Owen	5	11 7 24
Lane	0	17 0 22

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PLAYER
NA
PITCHER
NA

SWAC SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

DIV	ALL	
	W	L
EASTERN	W	L
Alabama State	15	3 27 12
Alabama A&M	14	7 22 23
Jackson State	11	6 25 16
Alcorn State	4	17 10 32
Miss. Valley State	3	14 6 27
WESTERN	W	L
Ark. Pine Bluff	13	5 19 15
Texas Southern	12	6 20 15
Southern	10	6 13 19
Grambling State	6	11 8 27
Prairie View	4	17 12 30

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

HITTER
Cesar Rivera, Fr., **ALABAMA STATE** - Hit .529 with 6 runs scored, 1 double, 1 HR and 5 RBI in 4-0 week. Extended hit streak to 20 games after three multi-hit games.
Melvin Rodriguez, JSU - Hit .667 (12-for-18) with pair of HRs, 6 runs, 7 RBI.
PITCHER
Santos Saldívar, SU - Struck out league-best 16 in complete game win over UAPB.
Dion Holbrook, LHP, **GSU** - Threw 7-inning no-hitter in 11-0 win over Prairie View. Struck out 3.

UNDER THE BANNER

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND BLACK COLLEGE SPORTS

ROBINSON TO LEAD ALCORN HOOPS:

Alcorn State Director of Athletics **Derek Horne** announced last week that **Montez Robinson** has been hired as the Braves new head men's basketball coach.

For the past four seasons, Robinson has served as an assistant coach for the **Bethune-Cookman** men's basketball program. Prior to his time at B-CU, Robinson spent six seasons at Kennesaw State.

While at KSU, Robinson helped the team to transition from Division II to the Division I level of athletics.

"Robinson is an experienced recruiter and developer of dynamic talent," said Horne. "Combine all of that with his commitment to academic achievement and we have a coach who is a good fit to develop a first-rate basketball program."

Robinson earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from North Georgia College & State University and a master's degree in transformative leadership from Bethune-Cookman.

JAY BUTLER RETURNS TO VA. UNION:

Former **Virginia Union** standout **Lester "Jay" Butler, Jr.**, was named the 10th head coach in the history of **Virginia Union** men's basketball at a press conference Tuesday on campus.

As the **University of the District of Columbia** head women's basketball coach, Butler has enjoyed outstanding success at the Division II level over a career that has spanned 11 seasons. He has amassed 177 wins, two Independent Collegiate Athletic Association (ICAA) national championships, ECC Coach of the Year, ECC regular-season champions, two ICAA Coach of the Year awards and four NCAA Tournament appearances.

He enjoyed his finest season in 2014-15 when the Firebirds registered a school-record 25 wins and a No. 22 national ranking for the season. Butler guided the Firebirds to their fourth NCAA Tournament appearance last season with a school-record third seed in the East Region.

Butler began his coaching career at Virginia Union as a volunteer assistant while he finished his undergraduate degree working with the team's guards from 1996-98. After graduating from Virginia Union, Butler served as head junior varsity and assistant varsity coach at Bladensburg High from 1999-2001.

A 1998 graduate of VUU with a degree in criminal justice, Butler played for legendary coach **Dave Robbins**, and was a key member of the Panther basketball program. He helped Virginia Union capture three straight **CIAA** championships and make four NCAA Division II appearances. In 1996, Butler's senior season, he guided the team to the NCAA Division II Final Four. Butler finished his career at Virginia Union 107-14 won-loss record. Butler served as team captain from (1994-1996).

A native of Washington D.C., Butler graduated from Archbishop Carroll High in 1992 where he earned All-Metro honors and Honorable Mention All-American.

JOYNER EXTENDED AT HAMPTON:

HAMPTON, Va. - **Hampton University** has given head men's basketball coach **Edward "Buck" Joyner Jr.** a multi-year contract extension, just over a month after he won his second **Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC)** Tournament championship.

In six seasons at the helm, Joyner is 99-96 overall and 57-39 in MEAC play.

"We are extremely proud of the job that Coach Joyner has done at the helm of the men's basketball program, particularly during the MEAC and NCAA Tournament runs," Director of Athletics **Eugene Marshall Jr.** said.

The Pirates were 17-18 this past season but won four games over the course of six days to win their second MEAC Tournament title under Joyner - and their first since 2011. Hampton defeated **Delaware State** 82-61 in the championship game to earn the MEAC's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

Hampton drew Manhattan in the NCAA First Four, winning 74-64 in Dayton, Ohio before losing to top seed Kentucky in the second round. It marked the second NCAA tourney win in the Pirates' Div. I history - along with the team's historic upset of No. 2 seed Iowa State back in 2001.

Slim pickings again in 2015 Draft

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BCSP Editor

The venue changes for the 2015 NFL Draft this week but don't expect much change for black college players in the draft.

The draft moves from its traditional home in New York City, where it has been held for the last 51 years, to Chicago.

Thursday's first round and rounds two and three Friday will be held inside the Auditorium Theater at Roosevelt University. Rounds four thru seven will go off Saturday outside at the city's Grant Park where the league has set up a Draft Town Complex to increase fan participation.

What's not likely to change is the paucity of black college players going off the draft boards. Only five have been drafted over the last three years, two last year and in 2013, and an all-time low of one in 2012.

That 2012 record could be challenged this year.

Six-seven, 269-pound **Norfolk State** defensive end/linebacker **Lynden Trail** and 6-5, 326-pound offensive lineman **Robert Myers** of **Tennessee State** are the two highest rated players from the black college ranks.

Myers, a three-year starter at TSU, has the highest grade, rating consistently in the top dozen offensive guards in the draft. Myers is thought to possess the pass protection traits of an NFL starter - thick frame with long arms - with a higher ceiling that many guard prospects. Several scouts believe he will eventually become an NFL starter. Fifteen NFL teams were



Trail Myers
BEST OF THE REST

- Jerry Lovelocke, QB, **Prairie View A&M**
- Khari Lee, TE, **Bowie State**
- Davon Walls, DT, **Lincoln (MO)**
- Anthony Bass, DE, **Tennessee State**
- LeBrandon Richardson, LB/DE, **Bethune-Cookman**
- Alfy Hill, DE, **Winston-Salem State**
- Edward Moseley, DE, **Alabama State**
- Matthew Reese, C, **Tuskegee**
- Derrick Billups, DT, **Alabama State**
- Isaiah Fleming, LB, **Cheyney**
- LeRon Furr, LB, **Fort Valley State**
- Tavarus Dantzier, LB, **Bethune-Cookman**
- Tray Walker, CB, **Texas Southern**
- DeAnte Sanders, CB, **Tennessee State**
- Terry Johnson, CB, **Florida A&M**
- Ronnie Vinson, CB, **Tennessee State**
- Julian David, FS, **Howard**
- Daniel Fitzpatrick, SS, **Tennessee State**
- Michael Johnson, SS, **Fayetteville State**

on hand for his Pro Day workout. Myers has a sixth to seventh round projection.

Trail, who posted 8.5 sacks and 12.5 tackles for losses for the Spartans en route to third

team FCS all-American honors, is rated consistently among the top 20 at defensive end with the scouts high on him because of his prototypical size, particularly his height. The Florida transfer played well but not spectacularly at Norfolk State and could go as early as the fourth round. Trail, a former high school receiver, was used as a tight end at the Senior Bowl and some think that position may be his best option to stick in the league. Trail is seeking to become only the second Norfolk State player drafted since 1997.

"That would be huge. It would totally be a blessing," he told NFLDraftScout.com of potentially being drafted. "To help put Norfolk State back on the map. More scouts need to come here."

Among others getting close looks from NFL scouts and teams are 6-6, 290-pound **Lincoln (Mo.)** defensive tackle **Davon Walls**, a former Syracuse signee who posted 10 sacks and 17.5 tackles for loss for the Blue Tigers. Six-two 180-pound defensive back **Tray Walker** out of **Texas Southern**, who intrigues scouts with his size and length and 6-3, 225-pound **Bethune-Cookman** linebacker **Tavarus Dantzier** whose consistent 4.6 speed in the 40 stands out are others to watch out for.

Prolific **Prairie View** quarterback **Jerry Lovelocke**, who threw at the Combine and at the Senior Bowl, is rated among the top passers in what is considered a weak draft at the position. Lovelocke could be a late round selection as could be **Bowie State** tight end **Khari Lee** (6-4, 258) who had as many as 24 scouts at his Pro Day.

BCSP Notes

Grambling State men, Alabama State women take SWAC Outdoor Track and Field titles

The **Grambling State** men claimed their seventh straight title and the **Alabama State** women earned their fifth straight crown as the **Southwestern Athletic Conference** help its Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Louis Crews Stadium in Huntsville, Alabama last week.

GSU scored 170 points to earn their 11 title overall, earning **Bertram Lovell** Coach of the Year honors. Alabama State claimed its 10th outdoor title with a point total of 284.

Individually, **Micah Hill** of **Mississippi Valley State** was the championship's Most Outstanding Field Performer scoring 26 points. **Jesus Hernandez** of Grambling State was the meet's Most Outstanding Runner totaling 27 points.

For the women, **Sydnee Worlds** of **Arkansas-Pine Bluff** earned Most Outstanding Field Performer honor rolling up 26 points through four events. **Artrailia LaSane** of Alabama State claimed the Most Outstanding Track Performer accolades for the second straight season, finishing with 36 points. She took first place in the 1500 and Steeplechase.

Alabama State sweeps SWAC Golf crowns

ALEXANDRIA, La. - The **Alabama State** women claimed their third straight title and the ASU men won for the fourth straight time in the **Southwestern Athletic Conference** golf championships last week.

Chanelle Avaricio earned the women's Most Valuable Player (Low Medalist) while teammate **Sylvia Masango** was tabbed with Freshman of the Year honors. As a unit, ASU shot 602 including a 295 in the final round with five players named to the all-conference team.

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Elizabeth City State	2	8 4 12 4 26
Lincoln	0	10 0 16 0 26
SOUTH	W	L
W-Salem State	8	2 13 3 20 20
St. Augustine's	8	2 11 5 18 12
Fayetteville State	6	4 11 5 16 12
J. C. Smith	5	5 7 9 12 16
Shaw	3	7 6 10 7 27
Livingstone	0	10 1 15 7 19

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Amber Hallman, Sr., 3B, **SSU** - Hit .750 (6-for-8) with 1 HR, 1 double, 2 runs scored and 5 RBI vs. B-CU.
PITCHER
Liz Riley, Sr., P, **NSU** - Tossed 14.0 scoreless innings giving up five hits and striking out 12 in pair of wins vs. Coppin State.
ROKIE
Allyson Babinsack, Fr., P, **HAMPTON** - 6-for-12 at the plate with 2 doubles, 5 runs vs. Liberty and Coppin State. Worked 19.0 innings scattering 23 hits in four games with 15 Ks.

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HITTER
Destinee Williams, Fr., **PRAIRIE VIEW** - Hit .467 (7-of-15) with 13 RBI, 8 runs, 3 doubles, 2 HRs and 17 total bases in 3-1 week
PITCHER
Chelsea King, Fr., **ALABAMA STATE** - Earned two wins vs. Alcorn State in 10 innings with no earned runs on nine hits, struck out five. Lowered ERA to 1.05 in 60 innings with 34 Ks.