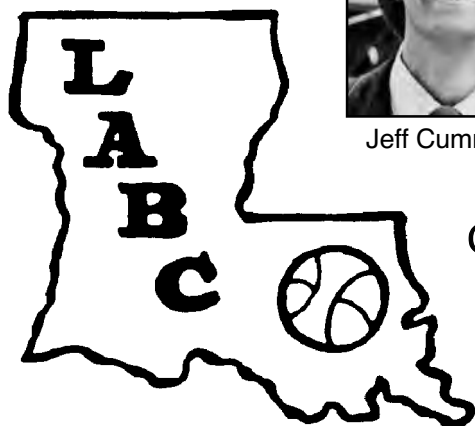


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PROGRAM

Welcome	Coach Dave Simmons McNeese State University LABC President
Invocation	College Coach
Dinner	
Introduction of Master of Ceremonies.....	Scott Landry LABC Executive Secretary
Master of Ceremonies.....	Steve Schneider WAFB-TV
Presentation of High School Awards.....	College Coaches
Presentation of College Awards	College Coaches
Presentation of Mr. Louisiana Basketball Award	Coach Dave Simmons McNeese State University

HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONIES

Inductee:	Presenter:
Jeff Cummings..... Tulane University	Jim Robarts Former Rummel High School Coach

Special Presentation	Coach Dale Valdery Southern University at New Orleans LABC Vice President
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2013 LABC ANNUAL AWARD WINNERS

COLLEGE DIVISION

LOUISIANA JUNIOR COLLEGE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Jeffrey Walker
Baton Rouge Community College

LOUISIANA JUNIOR COLLEGE COACH OF THE YEAR

Ricky Wilson
Baton Rouge Community College

LOUISIANA SMALL COLLEGE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Brandon Davis
Louisiana State University in Shreveport

LOUISIANA SMALL COLLEGE COACH OF THE YEAR

Kyle Blankenship
Louisiana State University in Shreveport

PETE MARAVICH MEMORIAL AWARD

LOUISIANA MAJOR COLLEGE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Derick Beltran
Southern University

TOMMY JOE EAGLES MEMORIAL AWARD

LOUISIANA MAJOR COLLEGE COACH OF THE YEAR

Roman Banks
Southern University

BOB PETTIT AWARD

LOUISIANA PROFESSIONAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Paul Millsap
Utah Jazz

MR. LOUISIANA BASKETBALL AWARD

Louis Bonnette
McNeese State University

HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION

Class C	Player of the Year	Zikiteran Woodley Pelican
	Coach of the Year	Richard Simmons Pelican
Class B	Player of the Year	Jarell Martin Madison Prep
	Coach of the Year	Jeff Jones Madison Prep
Class A	Player of the Year	Scott Plaisance Metairie Park Country Day
	Coach of the Year	Mike McGuire Metairie Park Country Day
Class AA	Player of the Year	Von Julien Riverside
	Coach of the Year	Byron King Winnfield
Class AAA	Player of the Year	Xairius Larry Farmerville
	Coach of the Year	Johnny Simmons Farmerville
Class AAAA	Player of the Year	Trey Touchet St. Thomas More
	Coach of the Year	Devan Clark Northside
Class AAAAA	Player of the Year	Damian Jones Scotlandville
	Coach of the Year	Carlos Sample Scotlandville

2013 LOUISIANA BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

Jeff Cummings – Tulane University - Player - 1975-77

Cummings was an honorable mention Sporting News All-American, first team All-Metro Conference and second team All-Louisiana selection in 1977. He finished his two-year career as the eleventh leading scorer and sixth leading rebounder in Tulane history, with 1,052 points for a 19.5 average and 625 rebounds for an 11.6 average. He set school records with 38 career double-double games (points and rebounds) and 27 games of 20 or more points. He led the Metro Conference in scoring and rebounding in 1977. He averaged 19.2 points and 12.0 rebounds in 1977, and 19.7 points and 11.1 rebounds in 1976. His single game scoring high was 33 points. He was the MVP of the LABC North-South All-Star Game in 1977.

2013 LABC COLLEGE AWARD WINNERS JUNIOR COLLEGE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Jeffrey Walker – Baton Rouge – Walker, a 6-4 freshman guard/forward, was the Miss-Lou Conference Player of the Year and a NJCAA All-Region 23 and Region 23 All-Tournament selection. He was also a NJCAA national player of the week in February. He averaged 17.1 points and 10.3 rebounds. He led Baton Rouge to its first MLC championship and to the semifinals of the NJCAA Region 23 Tournament with a 17-14 record. Walker is the first Baton Rouge player to ever receive the Louisiana Junior College Player of the Year award.

JUNIOR COLLEGE COACH OF THE YEAR

Ricky Wilson – Baton Rouge – In his second season at Baton Rouge, Wilson led the Bears to their first Miss-Lou Conference championship and to the semifinals of the NJCAA Region 23 Tournament with a 17-14 record. This represented an improvement of eight wins over 2012 and included a win over a top 10 nationally-ranked team. He was the MLC Coach of the Year. Wilson is the first Baton Rouge coach to ever receive the Louisiana Junior College Coach of the Year award.

SMALL COLLEGE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Brandon Davis – LSU-Shreveport – Davis, a 6-3 junior guard, was a second team NAIA All-American, a second team All-Louisiana and first team All-Red River Athletic Conference selection, an NAIA and RRAC All-Tournament selection and the RRAC Newcomer of the Year. He was also a two-time NAIA National Player of the Week and a four-time RRAC Player of the Week. He averaged 22.4 points, 12.6 rebounds, 3.75 assists and 2.00 steals. He led the nation in double-double games (19) and had one triple-double game (points, rebounds and assists). He scored in double figures in all 24 games, including sixteen 20-point games and five 30-point games. He had single game highs of 36 points, 20 rebounds, 10 assists, 4 steals and 2 blocks. He led LSU-Shreveport to a No. 25 ranking in the final regular season national poll, to a second place finish in the RRAC, to the semifinals of the RRAC Tournament and to the semifinals of the NAIA National Tournament with a 27-7 record.

SMALL COLLEGE COACH OF THE YEAR

Kyle Blankenship – LSU-Shreveport – In his first season at LSU-Shreveport, Blankenship guided the Pilots to a No. 25 ranking in the final regular season national poll, to a second place finish in the Red River Athletic Conference, to the semifinals of the RRAC Tournament and to the semifinals of the NAIA National Tournament with a 27-7 record. He was a finalist for the CollegeInsider.com NAIA national coach of the year award. In the NAIA National Tournament, the Pilots upset top-seeded and undefeated Columbia (Mo.) in the quarterfinals to reach the semifinals for the first time in school history, making them the first Louisiana school to advance that far since 1966. LSU-Shreveport led the nation in scoring and led the RRAC in free throw percentage (10th in

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nation) and field goal percentage. They also ranked 4th in the nation in three-point field goals made, 7th in three-point field goal defense and 9th in rebounding.

MAJOR COLLEGE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Derick Beltran – Southern – Beltran, a 6-4 senior guard, was a first team HBCU All-American, All-Southwestern Athletic Conference and All-Louisiana selection. He was also a second team NABC All-District selection and was the MVP of the SWAC Tournament. He averaged 16.0 points, 4.4 rebounds, 2.42 three-point field goals, 1.55 assists and 1.30 steals and had a 34.2% three-point field goal percentage and a 79.3% free throw percentage. He scored in double figures in 29 of 33 games, including ten 20-point games. He had single game highs of 35 points, 9 rebounds, 8 three-point field goals, 5 assists, 4 steals and 3 blocks. He led Southern to a second place finish in the SWAC, to the SWAC Tournament championship and to the NCAA Tournament with a 23-10 record. Beltran is the first Southern player to ever receive the Louisiana Major College Player of the Year award.

MAJOR COLLEGE COACH OF THE YEAR

Roman Banks – Southern – In his second season at Southern, Banks led the Jaguars to a second place finish in the Southwestern Athletic Conference, to the SWAC Tournament championship and to its first NCAA Tournament appearance in seven years with a 23-10 record. It was Southern's first 20-win season in 14 years and most wins since 1990. Banks was the HBCU National Coach of the Year and the SWAC Coach of the Year. Southern led the SWAC in scoring defense, scoring margin, field goal percentage defense (2nd in nation), three-point field goal percentage, three-point field goal defense (5th in nation), rebounding defense and turnover margin.

PROFESSIONAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Paul Millsap – Utah Jazz (Louisiana Tech) – Millsap averaged 14.6 points, 7.1 rebounds, 2.6 assists, 1.31 steals and 1.03 blocks and had a 74.2% free throw percentage as a starting forward for the Utah Jazz, who finished in third place in the NBA's Northwest Division with a 43-39 record. He started 78 games and averaged 30.4 minutes per game. He had 15 double-double games, scored 20 or more points in 15 games, and had 10 or more rebounds in 16 games. His single game highs were 34 points, 15 rebounds, 9 assists, 5 steals and 4 blocks. He is in his seventh year in the NBA. This is the fifth time that Millsap has won the Louisiana Professional Player of the Year award.

MR. LOUISIANA BASKETBALL

Louis Bonnette – McNeese State University – Bonnette was a long-time McNeese St. sports information director. In 2012 he retired from McNeese St. after a distinguished 46-year career in which he was recognized nationally for his news releases, programs and brochures. As McNeese St.'s first sports information director, he worked to bring the story of Cowboy athletics to the state, region and nation and promoted numerous McNeese St. players to All-America honors, including Hall of Famer Joe Dumars. Over his career he witnessed and was a part of the vast changes in the manner in which sports information was disseminated – from telephone dictation, telecopier, typewriter, computer, the Internet and now social media. He has two sons who are now college sports information directors in Louisiana, Michael at LSU and Matthew who succeeded his father at McNeese St., and he has countless former student assistants who have also gone into the business.

Bonnette is a native of Pineville and a 1963 graduate of Louisiana Tech in journalism. He was a two-time president of the Louisiana Sports Writers Association and was a member of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame selection committee since its inception in 1983. He was also active in CoSIDA and served on CoSIDA's academic all-america committee. He received numerous professional honors during his career, including the LSWA's Mac Russo Award for contributions to the association's progress and ideals and the LSWA's Distinguished Service Award in Sports Journalism. He is a member of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame, the CoSIDA Hall of Fame, the Southland Conference Hall of Honor and the McNeese St. Hall of Fame. The Southland Conference created the Louis Bonnette Sports Media Award in his honor.

2013 LABC HIGH SCHOOL AWARD WINNERS

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Class AAAAA

Damian Jones – Scotlandville (Baton Rouge) – The 6-9 senior averaged 15.3 points, 9.0 rebounds and 5.2 blocks in leading Scotlandville to a No. 1 ranking in the final regular season Class 5A state poll and its second straight state championship with a 34-2 record. He was selected to the Top 28 All-Tournament team and the Baton Rouge *Advocate* All-Metro team, and he participated in the Louisiana High School All-Star Game. He is rated as one of the top 85 seniors in the nation by Rivals and ESPN. He has received a scholarship to play college basketball at Vanderbilt University.

Class AAAA

Trey Touchet – St. Thomas More (Lafayette) – The 6-2 junior guard averaged 20.3 points, 5.2 rebounds, 2.3 assists and 1.3 steals in leading St. Thomas More to a No. 2 ranking in the final regular season Class 4A state poll and its first state championship since 1986 with a 34-4 record. He was also the Louisiana Gatorade Player of the Year and has maintained a 4.0 grade point average while taking honors courses.

Class AAA

Xairius Larry – Farmerville – The 5-10 senior guard averaged 13.7 points and 6.3 assists in leading Farmerville to a No. 5 ranking in the final regular season Class 3A state poll and its first state finals appearance with a 25-7 record. He was also a first team Monroe *News Star* All-Northeast Louisiana Large Schools selection.

Class AA

Von Julien – Riverside (Reserve) – The 6-1 sophomore guard averaged 14.0 points, 8.1 assists, 4.3 steals and 4.1 rebounds in leading Riverside to a No. 3 ranking in the final regular season Class 2A state poll and the Class 2A state championship with a 28-5 record. He was also selected to the New Orleans *Times-Picayune* All-New Orleans Area Small Schools team.

Class A

Scott Plaisance – Metairie Park Country Day – The 6-9 junior center averaged 15.8 points, 10.3 rebounds and 4.1 blocks in leading Country Day to a No. 5 ranking in the final regular season Class 1A state poll and the Class 1A state championship with a 26-10 record. He was also selected to the New Orleans *Times-Picayune* All-New Orleans Area Small Schools team.

Class B

Jarell Martin – Madison Prep (Baton Rouge) – The 6-9 senior averaged 26.3 points and 14.8 rebounds in leading Madison Prep to a No. 1 ranking in the final regular season Class B-C state poll and its first state championship with a 42-3 record. He was an honorable mention MaxPreps All-American. The Louisiana Sports Writers Association named him “Mr. Basketball” in Louisiana, and he participated in both the McDonald’s All-American Game and the Kentucky Derby Festival Basketball Classic. Additionally, he was the Baton Rouge *Advocate* All-Metro Most Outstanding Player. He is rated as one of the top 10 seniors in the nation by ESPN and has been a two-time Class B Player of the Year. He has received a scholarship to play college basketball at Louisiana State University.

Class C

Zikiteran Woodley – Pelican – The 6-4 senior averaged 27.7 points, 11.5 rebounds, 4.8 assists and 3.3 blocks in leading an unranked Pelican squad to its second straight Class C state championship with a 24-8 record. For the second straight year he was named the Most Outstanding Player in the Class C title game and was selected to the Top 28 All-Tournament team. Additionally, he was the Shreveport *Times* All-Area Player of the Year for the second straight year, and he participated in the Louisiana High School All-Star Game. He has been a three-time Class C Player of the Year. He has received a scholarship to play college basketball at Northwestern State University.

HIGH SCHOOL COACH OF THE YEAR

Class AAAAA

Carlos Sample – Scotlandville (Baton Rouge) – This year he led Scotlandville to a No. 1 ranking in the final regular season Class 5A state poll, a fourth straight Class 5A state finals appearance, and its second straight state championship with a 34-2 record. He was also the Baton Rouge *Advocate* All-Metro Coach of the Year.

Class AAAA

Devan Clark – Northside (Lafayette) – This year he led Northside to a No. 6 ranking in the final regular season Class 4A state poll and the Class 4A state finals with a 29-8 record. This is the second time that he has been named the LABC's Class 4A state coach of the year.

Class AAA

Johnny Simmons – Farmerville – This year he led Farmerville to a No. 5 ranking in the final regular season Class 3A state poll and its first state finals appearance with a 25-7 record. He was also the *Monroe News Star* All-Northeast Louisiana Coach of the Year.

Class AA

Byron King – Winnfield – This year he led Winnfield to a No. 8 ranking in the final regular season Class 2A state poll and its first state semifinal appearance with a 28-7 record. He was also the *Alexandria Town Talk* Central Louisiana Coach of the Year.

Class A

Mike McGuire – Metairie Park Country Day – This year he led Country Day to a No. 5 ranking in the final regular season Class 1A state poll and its fourth Class 1A state championship with a 26-10 record. This is the third time that he has been named the LABC's Class 1A state coach of the year.

Class B

Jeff Jones – Madison Prep (Baton Rouge) – This season he led the third-year Madison Prep program to a No. 1 ranking in the final regular season Class B-C state poll and its first state championship with a 42-3 record. He also coached in the Kentucky Derby Festival Basketball Classic.


Class C

Richard Simmons – Pelican – This year he led an unranked Pelican squad to its second straight Class C state championship with a 24-8 record. He was also the *Shreveport Times* All-Area Coach of the Year. This is the second time that he has been named the LABC's Class C state coach of the year.

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