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A note from Peninsula Sports Club President Bryan Weaver

Welcome to the 63rd Annual Headliner's Night!

The Peninsula Sports Club has served the community since 1949. With over 60 years of history, leadership, membership, hundreds of successful events and scholarship offerings we continue to strive for improvement in every facet of our organization. This can only happen with the help of dedicated individuals, like you, who give their time to support and promote area athletics. Please consider becoming a member of this great organization.

A special thank you goes out to Lori Woods and the Board of Directors. Your unyielding efforts, energy, and time to make this past year a success is appreciated. As the new slate of officers take their place, we hope to continue to build upon the momentum you all have created during your term.

I look forward to working with each and every one of the *CURRENT and FUTURE* members as we continue to support our community!

Congratulations to all business tonight and welcome to all members!

Bryan Weaver

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HEADLINER'S NIGHT

PROGRAM

WELCOME	LORI WOODS
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OUTSTANDING OUT-OF-STATE COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR 2012.....	RICARDO RATLIFF
CLOSING REMARKS.....	BRYAN WEAVER



Since its founding in 1949, the Peninsula Sports Club has been an active force on the sports scene. The First Headliner's Night was held in 1950 and continues to recognize high school, college, and professional athletes, coaches, and volunteers from local communities. In 1955 the first All-Peninsula football team was honored. In 1958, baseball, basketball, and track were added.

The Club became involved in community projects, advocating a "civic center" which became the Hampton Coliseum, and was involved in bringing professional baseball back to the Peninsula in 1963.

The Club has provided financial aid to athletes throughout the greater peninsula area. The Club presents a plaque to the Peninsula High School Athlete with the highest academic average. It is active in hosting events surrounding the Virginia Duals and the Boo Williams AAU National Basketball Tournaments. It also organizes group trips to many sports contests, has seasonal dinners highlighting upcoming seasons and coaches, and hosts notable sports figures as guests at other meetings.

The goals of the Club have remained the same over the years, to identify and recognize Peninsula citizens who promote sports activities or make outstanding contributions to perpetuate community athletics; and to recognize outstanding Peninsula athletes, many of whom have gained national acclaim. The Club continues to recognize and honor the successes of male and female high school and college athletes throughout the area.

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We would like to express our appreciation to the Board of Directors of the Peninsula Sports Club and their members for the continued dedication and commitment to the youth of the Virginia Peninsula.

We also would like to express our continued support of your organization and its effort in support of the youth of our community.

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Young Woman of the Year
Miss Elizabeth Bergeron
Peninsula Catholic High School
Class of 2012

Young Man of the Year
Master Angelo L. Suggs
Peninsula Catholic High School
Class of 2012



Congratulations!

PROPOSED

Peninsula Sports Club

2012-2013

Look for many exciting and new events presented by the new Executive Board in addition to:

George Presley Powell Memorial Invitational Golf Tournament	June 22, 2012
The Woodlands Golf Social	August 22, 2012
Couches' Night	September 2012
Deer Run Golf Club Golf Social	October 10, 2012
26th Annual Car Party	November 16, 2012
Holiday Party	December 2012
Virginia Duals	January 2013
Milestone Award Nights	February 2013
Ben Williams Boys & Girls Tournament	April 2013
All Peninsula Sports Club Team Night	May 2013
6th Annual Headliners' Night	June 2013

All these events are held to support athletes and their sports programs. We hope you will take advantage of these events to reconnect with current members and also welcome new members to our club. Know someone who would like to join? Bring them along!

Articles and pictures presented in this issue were submitted by many contributors with editing by Michael Keech. All were greatly appreciated.

Headliners' Class of 2011



Sitting: Maus McCoy, Ed Voth, Julie Robert Wheeler, Nelson Ellis, Jennifer Fahn, Grace Golden, Cleo & Stephanie Sam, Marney, Bryan Kirby, Taylor & Mike, Jenika Jenkins, Will Lamb, Morgan Kline, Anthony Guss, Colleen Maysky, Kelsey Mhargus, Brian Chan

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• *In memory of*

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Who are **THESE GUYS?**

Several Peninsula Sports Club awards are labeled, but not identified...

The **JULIE CONN** Most Outstanding Male Athlete in High School Award remembers the colorful, extremely successful Newport News High School athletic director and coach of virtually all sports at one time or another. He was, however, pretty much unequalled in basketball and track for decades. Although he stopped coaching basketball in 1953, he actually spent 56 years in the Newport News school system before mandatory retirement at age 65 in 1970. Among major accomplishments by Conn, whose first love was baseball:

His basketball teams (from 1927 to 1953) never missed a VHSL state tournament and never lost in the first round. In that 27-year span, the Typhoon won 396 games, losing only 77. In track, his tutelage led to 21 outdoor state championships. He and Lou Plummer constructed the first NNHS track in the 1940's and Conn started the school's junior varsity football program around the same time. He was the Sports Club's first Man of the Year (1951), was National High School Track Coach of the Year in 1958 and Julius Conn Gymnasium enables is the only area structure named for a coach.

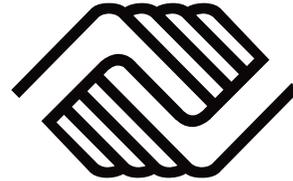
The **CHARLES S. KARMOSEY** Award recognizes the community spirit which symbolized Karmosky's 38 years as sports editor of the Daily Press. The award honors a Sports Club member for outstanding contributions to PSC activities. Karmosky, who emphasized consistent coverage of high school and state college sports, was the PSC president in 1951. Among his many non-journalistic contributions to the area's growing sports community in the three decades following World War II: He was a founding member of the Sports Club in 1948; he was founder and president of the Tri-County baseball League from 1948-55; he was PSC Man of the Year in 1957 and was on one of the original feasibility groups which led to construction of Peninsula War Memorial Stadium and what was originally Hampton Roads Coliseum. He was in the first class of those admitted to the media wing of the Virginia State Athletic Hall of Fame (1997) and is in the Virginia High School League Hall of Fame. In its editorial tribute at his death in 1988, the Daily Press wrote that Karmosky "simply had no equals."

THAD MADDEN was the long-time football, basketball and track coach at Huntington High School in Newport News starting in 1943. He ruled the Vikings 28 years before transferring to Warwick for a 10-year stay that ended with his 1981 retirement. His career football record was 251-114-16. In a four-year stretch at Huntington, his basketball record was 112-13 that included three Virginia Interscholastic League Eastern District titles and in track, the Vikings posted an unbelievable 198 state crowns including two national mile relay teams. Madden accomplished these feats through tireless dedication. He conveyed the traits to the endless stream of athletes with whom he came in contact. The Sports Person of the Year Award is presented in honor of the club's first president (1949) and an organization co-founder. Morewitz was many things to many people, especially those involved in sports. Mostly, he was tireless, generous and always optimistic. He spent untold hours coaching youngsters playing for his Hurricanes in the 1940s and 1950s, while also working with Boy Scouts and the Boys and Girls Club of the Virginia Peninsula for five decades until his death in 1997. His most successful venture was spearheading a drive that raised \$1.2 million in 1985 for construction of a Boys Club building in Denbigh. He also engineered raising \$235,000 to assist in the opening of Peninsula War Memorial Stadium in 1948. Among many other activities he was general manager of the Virginia Squires in 1971 and the next year he was general manager of the Peninsula Whips, of the Class AAA International League. No one else backed Peninsula minor league baseball as fervently or tried as diligently to return it here after its collapse in 1992. He was honored numerous times for his endless efforts to support his community. Even today, he stands without equal.

The **BOB MOSKOWITZ** Media Award is presented an area media person for exemplary presentation of area sports. Moskowitz, a Sports Club president in 1961, has been in journalism for over 50 years and was with the Daily Press for 34 of them. He is in the Media Wing of the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame.

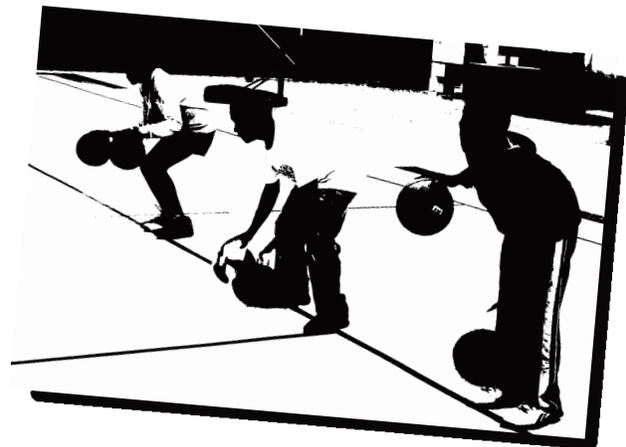
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Bob Sheeran

As more than four decades of William & Mary athletes, coaches and support staff can attest, Bob Sheeran has a heart of gold. And there is little doubt that this heart courses with the requisite of his beloved alma mater as well.

After spending his undergraduate and postgraduate years in close association with the athletics department, Sheeran went on to become one of the driving forces behind the organization of the W&M Quarterback Club of 1970. This club has grown into one of the program's primary support groups which annually raise thousands for the squad and Sheeran has been the meeting's host since 1972.

That same year, Sheeran took over as the College's Director of Sports Information, a position he held for better than 13 years. In conjunction with the start of his taking this position, Sheeran launched an incredible streak of working, in some capacity, 400 + straight W&M football games.

Sheeran's familiar voice has not just graced the gridiron, as he has also served as an emcee for such events as the Colonial Relays track meet, the Colonial Half-Marathon, W&M's hall of Fame induction ceremony and the on-air talent for the AM 740 "wake up call" each morning.

Since moving from the Tribe's Athletics Department in 1985 Sheeran has gone on to a career in real estate. Also a member of the prestigious Order of the White Jacket, Sheeran is very active in working within the local community.

Perhaps no more conscience testimony to Sheeran's contributions can be given than the following statement from William and Mary Head Football Coach Jimmy Laycock, the school's all-time winningest mentor, "In my opinion, the College of William and Mary's football program would neither be as good, nor as successful, year-in and year-out, without the loyal and consistent support of Bob Sheeran."



Past Bob Moskowitz Media Award Recipients

- 2004 Greg Bicouvaris
- 2005 Wayne Block
- 2006 Dave Fairbank
- 2007 Bob Hintz
- 2008 Jim Heath
- 2009 Ray Price
- 2010 Scotty Bowers
- 2011 Nate Milton

Menchville High School

Julian Rice Trophy

1969-70	Hampton
1970-71	Bethel
1971-72	Menchvill
1972-73	Menchville
1973-74	Ferguson
1974-75	Menchville
1975-76	Menchville
1976-77	Menchville
1977-78	Menchville
1978-79	Menchville
1979-80	Menchville
1980-81	Menchville
1981-82	Menchville
1982-83	Menchville
1983-84	Menchville
1984-85	Menchville
1985-86	Lafayette
1986-87	Lafayette
1987-88	Lafayette
1988-89	Lafayette
1989-90	Lafayette
1990-91	Lafayette
1991-92	Menchville
1992-93	Denbigh
1993-94	Denbigh
1994-95	Lafayette
1995-96	Lafayette
1996-97	Menchville
1997-98	Menchville
1998-99	Menchville
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2001-02	Menchville
2002-03	Menchville
2003-04	Menchville
2004-05	Menchville
2005-06	Menchville
2006-07	Menchville
2007-08	Menchville
2008-09	Menchville
2009-10	Menchville
2010-11	Menchville

Julian Rice thought of himself as a winner. In his mind, Newport News High School never really lost an athletic contest, no matter what the scoreboard said.

Now, of course, there is no longer a NNHS and Newport News Intermediate has gone the way of all flesh.

Possessed with a hunger for statistical trivia, Rice developed a virtually unparalleled penchant for details concerning minor league baseball and high school sports on the Peninsula, Newport News in particular. The point system used to select a winner encompasses all Peninsula District sports.

Nevertheless, his zeal and support for teams representing this area — once his beloved Typhoon was no longer in contention — made him a legend in his own time.

Time ran out for the perpetual pipe smoker in 1967, and the Peninsula Sports Club decided to honor him with an award named for him in 1970.

The roving, highly-coveted honor is awarded the Peninsula District Group AAA high school which has accumulated the most points during a year of competition. Tabulation is designed to follow systems embraced by college conferences. Schools now eligible for this award are Bethel, Denbigh, Gloucester, Hampton, Heritage, Kecoughtan, Menchville, Phoebus, Warwick and Woodside.

Rice, incidentally, was the Peninsula Sports Club's first secretary.

His enthusiasm for all sports and sporting events led to a perpetuation of the trophy.



JULIAN RICE TROPHY

Grafton & Jamestown HS

Like its Group AAA counterpart, the Rice Trophy, the Simpson Trophy symbolizes athletic excellence in all areas of competition at the AA level in what was the York River District and is now the Bay Rivers District.

Red Simpson is a name synonymous with athletic excellence within the York River District, and the Peninsula. The kindly Newport News native administered, taught at, and coached at two of the member schools, leaving never to be forgotten memories, records, and a number of pupils and players who returned to their alma maters to carry on his legacy.

An outstanding athlete in his own right, his record in the javelin throw stood for many years in collegiate ranks. At the University of Kentucky, he was mentioned on a number of All-American football teams, and played in the fabled East-West Shrine Game in 1938.

His return to the Peninsula marked the beginning of his coaching career, as he served as an assistant to Coach Frank Dobson at the Newport News Apprentice School (he also played for a semi-pro team known as the NN Builders which had a number of former high school grid stars).

After a stint in the Navy, he returned to coaching and led Poquoson High School to a State Championship in 1949. Along came another war, and Red served again in Korea (he retired from the Naval Reserve in 1965 as a Lieutenant Commander).

Back home again after two and one half years serving his country, he moved on to a new school in 1954. In 1958 his York High Falcons won a league championship with a perfect 9-0 record, defeating some larger Group I Schools in the process.

Red moved on up the administrative ladder in the educational system to Athletic Director, and later Assistant Principal, giving up his first love, coaching, but he left behind a record of championships, of memories of him as a kind, honest, competitor; a man to be emulated.

It is entirely fitting that Poquoson High, where he first coached in high school, should win the first Simpson Trophy, and that Tabb High, whose Athletic Director Willard Hunt played under Red, and Head Coach Charlie Hovis, who began his coaching career under Red, should win the second Simpson Trophy.

Red Simpson, a man to be looked up to and copied. We are proud that he was with us.

For the first time in the history of this award, there are two schools that have tied to win this award. Also for the first time, Grafton High School has broken through for this award

Congratulations Jamestown High School and Grafton High School!



Simpson Trophy Winners

1979-80	Poquoson
1980-81	Tabb
1981-82	Tabb
1983-84	Tabb
1984-85	York
1985-86	Tabb
1986-87	Tabb
1987-88	Tabb
1988-89	Tabb
1989-90	Tabb
1990-91	Tabb
1991-92	Tabb
1992-93	Tabb
1993-94	Tabb
1994-95	Poquoson
1995-96	York
1996-97	Tabb
1997-98	Poquoson
1999-00	Poquoson
2000-01	Lafayette
2001-02	Tabb
2002-03	Lafayette
2003-04	Lafayette
2004-05	Lafayette
2005-06	Lafayette
2006-07	Lafayette
2007-08	Lafayette
2008-09	Tabb
2009-10	Jamestown
2010-11	Jamestown

Eligible schools are Bruton, Poquoson, York, Tabb, Grafton, Lafayette, Jamestown and Warhill.

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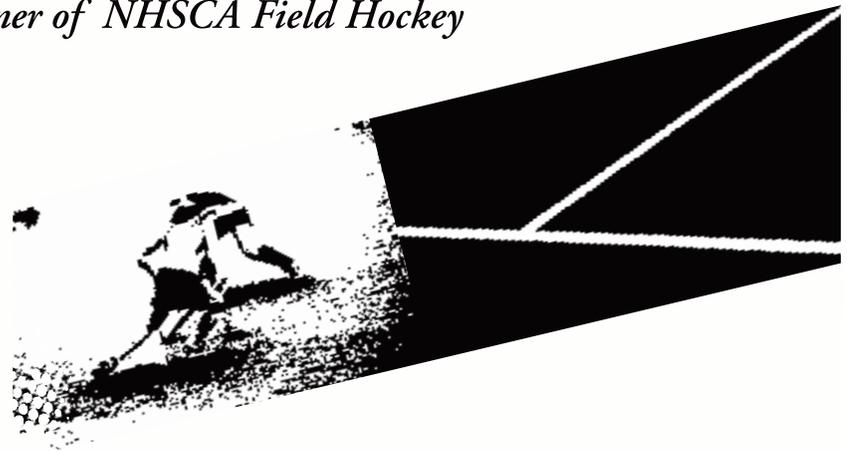
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Wendy Wilson

Wendy Wilson knew when she was playing two sports per season at Thomas Edison High School in Alexandria that she would eventually be a coach and teacher.

What she didn't know at the time was how big an impact she would have on the profession that proved to be a perfect fit for her.

In seven years as Tabb High School's field hockey coach, Wilson has twice been named national Coach of the Year by the National Field Hockey Coaches Association, guided her teams to four consecutive state Group AA championships (2008-11) and has posted a 167-19 record. Tabb's current championship run includes three 24-0 seasons and a 22-3 campaign for a 94-3 overall mark. Wilson's Tigers are the only Virginia public school to win four straight state titles other than Virginia Beach's Cox High School.

Based on those accomplishments, it's no wonder Wilson is the Peninsula Sports Club's first female recipient of the Herbert Morewitz Sports Person of the Year Award in its 23-year existence. The PSC named a Man of the Year from 1951 through 1989 before the title was changed.

Wilson's success is a product of her uncanny knack of combining excellent strategic skills and intense conditioning with the ability to foster great team chemistry.

"Very few people know how to coach high school girls, but Wendy does and in a very caring way," said Tabb Athletic Director, Susan Wiker, a veteran of 17 years coaching field hockey at York High School. "She looks at the total person. Not just what they accomplish on the field, but in all of life.

"Her players are like sisters and a key reason they're so successful is they care so much about each other. They're fun to be around."

Wilson, who also coaches indoor track, is quick to tell you that team chemistry is even more important than stick skills and conditioning.

"Chemistry is the biggest thing," she said. "Regardless of skill, you can still win a game if you can get them to buy into playing for each other, respecting each other and wanting to win for each other. Building the family concept is big. The players go out to dinner together even in the off season"

Another Wilson plus is her interesting practice regimen. She takes the boredom out of drills by splitting the squad into teams, who compete for the best performance of the drill. Wilson credits Nancy Billger, her field hockey coach at Christopher Newport, for the idea of unique drills.

Wilson, who teaches physical and drivers education at Tabb, still holds records from her field hockey playing days at CNU, where she also competed in lacrosse.

"I enjoy lacrosse, but field hockey is my passion," she said. "I live and breathe field hockey. You do it because you just love it."

Former Tabb goalie Danielle Brookover may have said it best when commenting on Wilson's national recognition. "I don't think anyone deserves it as much as her. She dedicates a huge portion of her life to making us better. She is more than a coach. She's a mentor who honestly cares what we do."

Wilson's husband Will is a field hockey official. They have a three-year-old son, Zachary.





Royce B. Bowden

Since 1942 Royce Bowden has been a mainstay at different levels of athletic competition on the Peninsula.

From athlete to coach to 37 years as a basketball official, Bowden has contributed to the Peninsula sports legacy. As a player, his most notable accomplishment was a 40-point basketball performance for the Apprentice School. He was named the Builders outstanding athlete as a senior in 1964, averaging 17.8 points per game and also playing baseball. He was an All-Peninsula center fielder at Warwick High School.

He was the starting center fielder on the 1954 Hampton Wythe team that made the Little League World Series.

His officiating career began in 1973 and ran through 2009. He worked in six state Group AAA and six Group AA tournaments. He handled eight Independent School championship tournaments and 21 Group AAA regional events.

He played slow-pitch softball for more than 35 years, competing in six world tournaments. The outfielder had a lifetime batting average near .700.

Bowden coached youth league baseball in Newport News and Poquoson for eight years.



Bill Dittmar

The criterion for this award includes demonstrating high integrity and a positive attitude in your profession and giving back to the community in a meaningful manor.

Bill Dittmar has been giving back to the community as a high school soccer coach and referee for 27 years. He has logged 21 years as the founder and president of Executive Lifestyle Magazine, which circulates to 45,000 high level decision makers in the Hampton Roads Market each quarter.

The Christopher Newport graduate also finds time to serve as the vice chairman of communication for the Virginia Peninsula Chamber of Commerce.

He has guided Denbigh High School's boys' soccer program for 16 years and Warwick High School a previous 9 years. He started coaching high school in 1985 at Menchville and then in 1986 he coached at Hampton High School. He has served as a Major League Soccer referee since 1996. Dittmar is a two-time Intercollegiate Soccer Officials Association Referee of the Year and worked the 2010 NCAA Division I Men's Final Four in Santa Barbara, Ca. He played soccer for four years at Christopher Newport where he earned a marketing degree.

He is quick to make mention that all of this has been made possible because of the support of his wife and soul mate, Heidi.

His patience, caring and dedication to our youth makes him a natural for this honor.



Past Henry Jordan Award Recipients

1982	Lawrence Taylor
1983	Leigh Thompson
1984	Dwight Stephenson
1985	Jerry Holmes
1986	Shaun Gayle
1987	Al Toon
1988	Jesse Kersey
1990	Jerry Holmes
1991	Mel Gray
1993	Mark Carnevale
1994	Reggie Langhorne
1997	Chris Slade
2001	Aaron Brooks
2003	Michael Vick
2006	David Macklin
2007	Antoine Bethea
2008	Ronald Curry
2009	Wayne Gomes
2010	Jerod Mayo
2011	Jerod Mayo

This award is not presented annually.





Susan Bender

When she's not teaching first grade or coaching softball at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School in Newport News, Sue Bender is busy as Peninsula Catholic's women's cross country coach.

Bender, a former track and cross country standout at Christopher Newport and York High School, has guided the Knights girls since 1995. Her teams have won five Tidewater Conference of Independent Schools titles and finished second eight times. Her 2005 team was undefeated. PC won one state Catholic title and was VISAA Division II champion in 2011.

Bender has received 12 TCIS Coach of the Year awards. She also had a two-year stint as Mt. Carmel's middle school basketball coach.

At CNU she won the Robert M. Ustry Award given to the student-athlete with the year's highest grade-point average twice. She was NCAA Woman of the Year for CNU in 1993.



SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Chris Davidson

It's hard to believe that after 27 years Chris Davidson has retired from his cross country and track coaching duties at Peninsula Catholic to focus on his job as an electrical fabricator at age 50.

He took moribund boys cross country program in 1985 and before he was done won 17 Tidewater Conference championships, two state Catholic League crowns and three Virginia Independent Schools state titles, including the first in school history in 2005.

Davidson, who earned degrees in urban studies and sociology with *summa cum Laude* honors from Christopher Newport in 1985, also instituted the first boys and girls track programs at PC in 1991. His girls teams won three TCIS titles. He totaled 29 TCIS Coach of the Year honors in boys cross country, boys track and girls track.

A professional calligrapher, he did all the school's student-athlete certificates by hand for 17 years. Davidson designed 75 hand-drawn t-shirts for his teams and events at the Newport News school.

"He's one of those old school coaches that really give a lot to kids," said PC athletic trainer Keith Harris. "He developed kids who you'd never think would be runners. He gave a lot from the fastest to the slowest, girls or guys."

Davidson also served as the school's athletic director from 1989 to 2003. He added five sports and three additional teams to the program, including the first boys volleyball team on the Peninsula.

It was always all about the kids for Chris Davidson.





Judith Ragan

If its field hockey on the Peninsula, then Judy Ragan is involved.

Ragan has officiated field hockey on the Peninsula for over 40 years. She has been the commissioner of Peninsula Field Hockey Association since 1974. Ragan has been a part of the Newport News Parks and Recreation summer hockey league for more than 27 years.

Then there's the indoor hockey league in which she has worked with over 1,200 participants since 1998. She has coached at the Newport News field hockey camp for 39 years.

Ragan has also found time to dabble in soccer. She has logged 12 years as Woodside's girls varsity coach and spent three years in the same capacity at Denbigh. She has coached both district tournament and district regular season champions.

Woodside has awarded Ragan a brick in its "Walk of Excellence."



SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Everette "Sonny" Seay

Named for one of the founders of the Peninsula Sports Club, the Charles Karmosky Award may be given annually to a member who has demonstrated a willingness to serve the Club over and beyond normal responsibilities.

The Sports Club's Board of Directors has selected as this year's recipient Everette M. "Sonny" Seay, III. A life long Peninsula resident, Sonny has been part of sports all of his life as a player, coach, administrator and organizer. He has played baseball and softball, and coached in both. Has served as the President of the Newport News Softball Association; President of the Hidenwood Football Association; and been the Tournament Director of the Virginia Independent School State Basketball Tournament twice. As an athletic official, he is a past member of Peninsula Basketball Board #125; and the Peninsula Softball Umpires Association where he was twice the recipient of the Bob Heffington Award given annually to the Association's Most Outstanding Umpire. Additionally for over twenty years he managed the James River Softball Association softball tournament organization where he was founder, organizer and owner.

A member of the Sports Club in 1980 for only that year, Sonny rejoined the Club in November of 2010, and has been most involved in all aspects of Club life since. He proposed and has chaired the 2011 and 2012 Club golf tournament within which he created the Scholastic Golf Challenge; assisted with the organization of prize distribution for the Car Party; with members Bobby Brown and Billy Alford rekindled interest in the Club golf socials; with Bobby Brown held the UVA pre-practice social for PSC members and guests in 2011; chaired the recent Karen Barefoot event; was the lead Board member in initiating interest in gaining 501-C-3 status for our Club; and spearheaded the creation of a Foundation for managing the Club's scholarship fund to which he was elected President. Sonny handles these Club duties while still holding his position in the City Treasurer's Office as Administrative Deputy Treasurer. He is also a member of the Treasurer's Association of Virginia; and chairs the City Treasurer's committee for the planning and organization of the TAV Convention for 2013.

Sonny's response to hearing of his selection was that he was most thankful, and felt both humbled and privileged. Further he said "to me awards such as this are individualistic in presentation, but in receipt are collective. Therefore he accepts and shares this award with each PSC member and those non-members who devoted their time and efforts working alongside me to make our Sports Club projects a success." To this we again salute Sonny for his dedication and service to the Peninsula Sports Club.



Milestone Award

Since 2006 the Peninsula Sports Club has been honoring individuals who have a minimum of 15 years of outstanding service and significant contributions to their sport. They are individuals who have attained distinction or recognition on the regional, district, state, conference or national level. Ones that educate or mentor athletes, coaches or athletic administrators and has promoted character development and ethical sportsmanship for the betterment of their sport. Have exhibited extraordinary leadership and is an ambassador for their sport. They have an outstanding record, exceptional accomplishments and distinguished careers in their sport.

Bryan Cave



2006
Bryan Cave
Tiny Laster
Jimmy Laycock
Dan Siroon
C.J. Woolham



2007
Charles Nuyesombe
Dale Roe
Gary Silvey
Lesnard Thomas



2008
Richard "Pop" Pitts
Nelson Ellis
Charles Mikula



2009
Haddy Denton
Howard Waseman
Reatha Montgomery
Eindolph Taylor
Samuel Jackson
Skip Mollenbauer

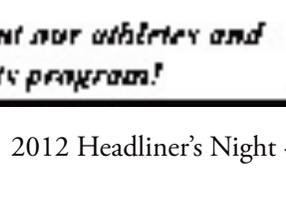
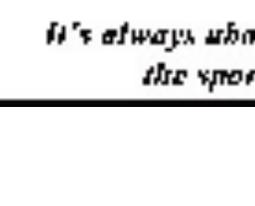


Missing picture: Dale Roe, Tiny Laster, Lesnard Thomas, Charles Mikula



2010
Dennis Koufentlas

2011
Marilyn Watkins
Al Dornier



2012
Wade Traynham

It's always about our athletes and the sports program!

Amanda Carner

The University of Tennessee must have had an inkling last fall that Menchville swimmer Amanda Carner was destined to be the most successful Peninsula District female performer in state high school competition in at least 20 years.

Carner, who committed to the Vols in December, rocked the PD swim world by winning both the 200-yard individual medley and the 500 freestyle in February's state Group AAA meet at Fairfax. No PD swimmer had won a single state title since 1994 let alone two. Carner won the individual medley in a then personal best 2:02.01. She beat her closest pursuer by more than two seconds in the 500 freestyle.

"We've had some talented swimmers come along, but Amanda is truly unique," Menchville coach Katherine Dowdy said of Carner, who has also qualified for the 2012 Olympic trials in her efforts with the Coast Guard Blue Dolphins club team. "Her work ethic is unlike anything I've ever seen before. She has surpassed my expectations."

Carner's competitive sights are set on the 2016 Olympics after a full career at Tennessee and a taste of what to expect in this year's trials.

"Swimming isn't just what I do, it is part of who I am," she said. "Swimming has taught me vital life lessons that are mirrored outside the pool."

She has a 4.46 grade-point average and ranks fourth in her class.





Anthony Barber

Anthony Barber was a starter as a freshman for the Hampton High boy's basketball team. During that year he was named 1st Team All-Peninsula District. As a sophomore, he was named 1st Team All-Peninsula District and voted Player of the Year by the Peninsula coaches. Following that season, he was selected to attend the Nike All-America camp and was seen playing with professionals such as Dwayne Wade and LeBron James. During this, his junior year, Anthony was ranked in the top 25 players in the country for his class. He was named 1st Team All-Peninsula District, Co-Player of the Year, 1st Team All-Eastern Region, 1st Team All-State, and the Virginia AAA Player of the Year while leading the Crabbers to the Peninsula District Co-Championship, Regional Championship, and State Championship. This summer he will be traveling with Boo Williams 17-and-under AAU team, attending the Nike All-America Camp, Deron Williams Point Guard Camp, and the LeBron James All America Camp.



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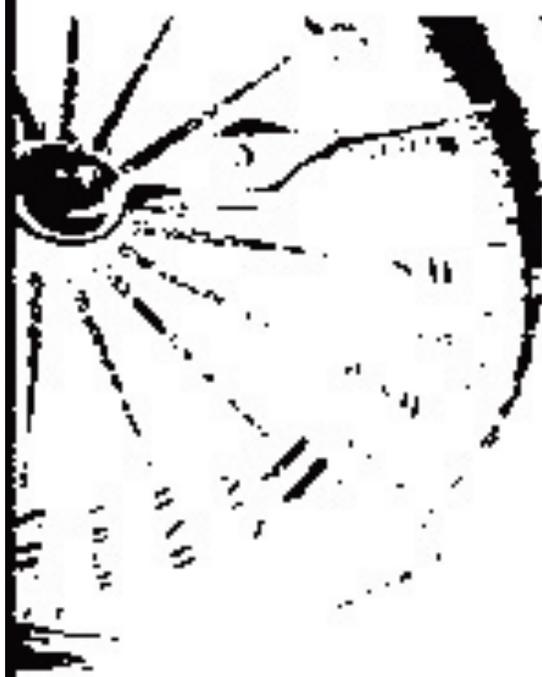


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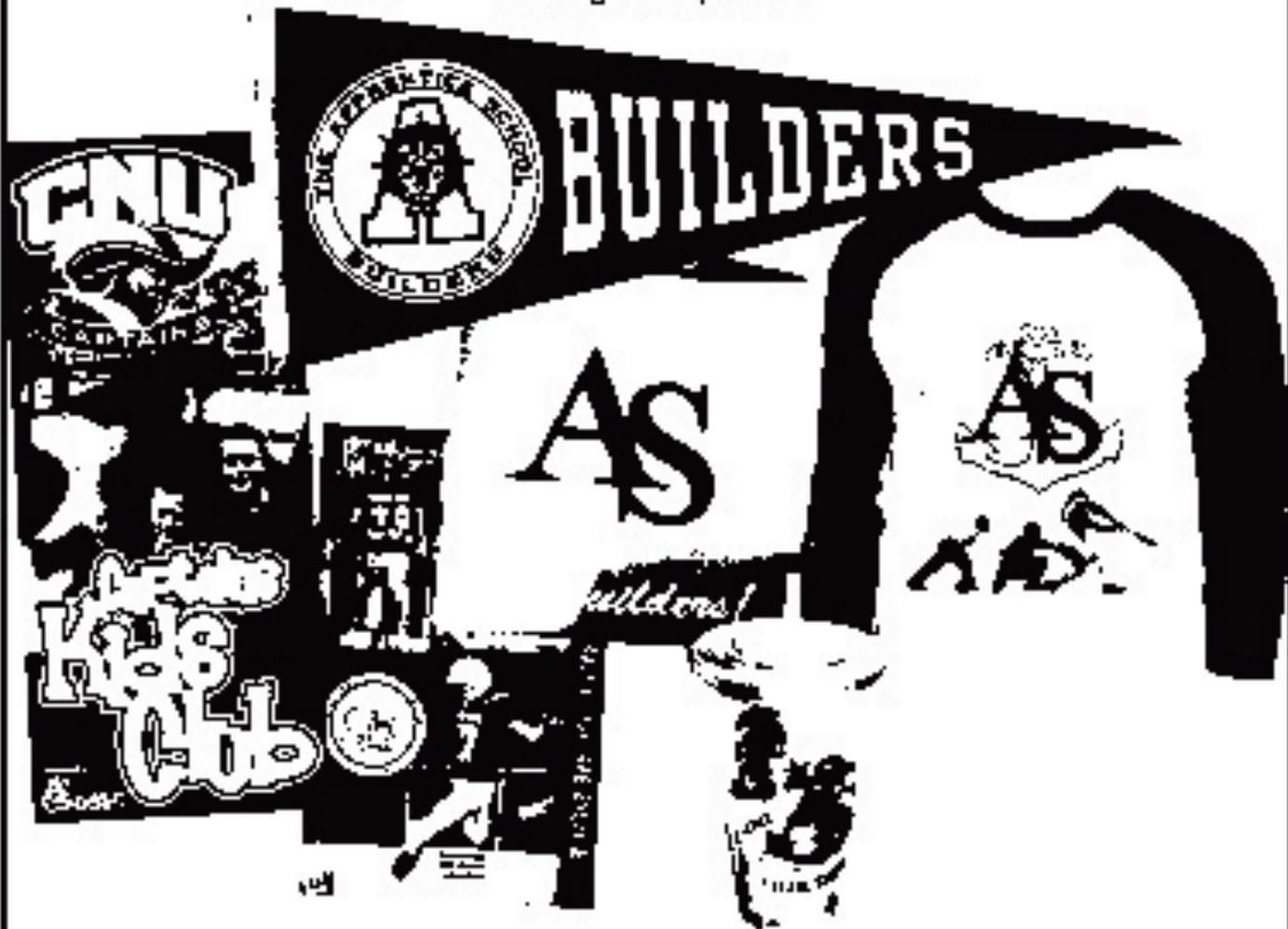
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Brionna Atkins

It was field hockey that provided the impetus for Brionna Atkins' rise to Hampton High School valedictorian.

"By the time I entered the ninth grade at Hampton, I had chosen to focus solely on field hockey (as her sports pursuit)," said Atkins, who is bound for Harvard University with an eye on pursuing a career as an oncologist. "This concentration on one activity helped to teach me determination and goal setting. It was because of the desire to be a better player that I became so driven in other areas of my life."

Atkins channeled that drive into a 4.56 grade-point average and membership in the National Honor Society as well as the Math and Spanish ones. She ranked first in the 2012 graduating class of 339 students.

Her athletic success included a first team All-Peninsula District field hockey berth and she captained the Crabbers as both a junior and senior. She also lettered in tennis as a senior.

"Bri wound up as Harvard's top field hockey recruit based on the work she put in on the field," said Kristen McCann-Rushing, her club coach for three years. "After being rejected by some of her top choices as a junior she didn't give up. Instead she asked for more individual lessons and chose to go to additional recruiting clinics and eventually proved herself to one of the top schools in the country. She has the potential to do great things because she knows how to get back up."





Ashley Bruce

Ashley Bruce's academic prowess is evident in her 4.48 grade-point average and No. 5 ranking in a Grafton High senior class that numbered 319.

But the future William and Mary student is perhaps best defined by her effort in a Bay Rivers District championship cross country meet during her junior year. A continuing battle with allergies and an undiagnosed illness had dropped her from Grafton's No. 2 spot into a battle for fifth, the last position that can score points in a meet.

Team captain Bruce eventually earned the fifth position for the district meet. In the final 600 meters she had to pass two runners for Grafton to win the team title. She did and collapsed just beyond the finish line. Later that day her parents received the news that Bruce's mysterious illness was mononucleosis.

"It doesn't matter what the situation is, you can count on Ashley to give her best effort," said Matt Guthridge, an assistant track coach at William and Mary. "She sets a great example for all around her and is quick to earn their respect."

Said Bruce: "Over time I've realized quitting is not something I do. When I love something I am not going to give up because of unavoidable setbacks. I fight to work my way back up."



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT AWARD

Twymun Safford

Twymun Keith Safford overcame a difficult childhood shaped by his father's drug addiction and an unsupportive stepfather to excel both academically and athletically at Denbigh High School.

Safford, who played football, wrestled and threw the shot on the track team, is the Denbigh Class of 2012 valedictorian and will attend Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. He earned student of the year recognition in Earth Science, Spanish, Physics, English and Electronics during his career. He finished with a 4.2 grade-point average. Safford also served on the Mayor's Youth Commission earned a Governor's School commendation.

He dealt with the anger and aggression he built up as a child on the football field. He not only discovered a talent for the game, but the virtues of courage, sportsmanship, judgment and a serious work ethic. Safford found those same virtues paid dividends in the classroom and life as well.

"You either rise to the occasion or get left in the dust," Safford said. "That's the game we should focus on over everything else. The never-ending game that is life."



*Thank you to
Amy Jackson,
photographer for the evening*



Leighann Soistmann

One of the first hints that Tabb High School's Leigh Ann Soistmann was special came as a fifth grader when she created a home-based greeting card business that lasted to her freshman year, earning nearly \$3,000.

She achieved all-state and All-American honors in track, excelling in the 800 and 1000 meters as well as running on two state champion 1600 relay teams for the Tigers. Soistmann also lettered four years in cross country.

Her 4.2 grade-point average ranked 35th in the Class of 2012. Soistmann is also a skilled artist and was the voice of Tabb's daily announcements. She was instrumental in securing a huge fiberglass outdoor tiger mascot for the school that she hopes each graduation class will paint as a reflection of their school spirit.

Soistmann will attend Virginia Tech and plans to pursue a career in interior design. She also intends to be a walk-on candidate for the cross country and track programs.

"Leigh Ann has the ability to balance academics and involvement with ease," said Tabb guidance counselor Lynn Kenneally. "Her mark on Tabb High School is one that will not be forgotten."



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT AWARD

Hannah Swenson

After 10 years of figure skating, Hannah Swenson joined her best friend at middle school in a serious pursuit of basketball.

The sport clicked for both and they went on to play four years of varsity competition for Tabb High School.

"While skating was enjoyable, the camaraderie of a team sport can't be beat," said Swenson. "I have learned to cooperate with others and this team of 12 has taught me more about relationships than I thought possible."

Swenson also spent four successful years on Tabb's boy's golf team. She was team captain as a senior and earned most outstanding player honors. She finished fifth in regional completion as a senior and placed 11th and 24th respectively in state play as a junior and sophomore.

She was ever more successful on the academic side, ranking as the 2012 Class valedictorian. Swenson was a national finalist as both a Jefferson and Murray Scholar. She was the third runner-up in the Miss America Teenager competition and was founder and president of the Invisible Children Club at Tabb, raising more than \$8,000 for the organization.

Swenson wants to be a computer programmer after going to Princeton or the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"My plan is to develop software that can track and model diseases, thereby improving the healthcare field," she said.





Walter Brower

Even back problems that forced him to remain seated on the bench during games the entire season couldn't diminish the desire, determination and strategical prowess that have been trademarks of Walter Brower's 30-year success as Hampton High's boys basketball coach.

Not only did Brower guide the Crabbers to the third state Group AAA championship of his tenure in 2012, but he surpassed the monumental milestone of 500 victories in the process. Brower, who is the winningest boys coach in Peninsula District history, owns a 533-229 record for a dazzling .699 winning percentage. Hampton has had just four losing seasons under Brower and three of those came in his first four years at the helm. That means his Crabbers have had only one losing season in the last 26 years.

How strong is Brower's spirit these days? When asked after an early December road game if he considered taking some time off to get better, he replied: "They'd have to cart me out on a stretcher first."

He missed no games this season, letting veteran assistant coach Eric Brown do the standing and communicating, while an intense Brower sat nearby.

"Walter's teams are normally disciplined and he always has a specific game plan," said Dennis Koutoufas, who has recorded more than 400 victories as a Peninsula District coach. "He makes very good adjustments from game to game. If a player has a big game against him, odds are he won't the next time around.

"Another plus is his teams do a good job of playing helping man-to-man defense. His players don't just stand around concerned with one opponent. They know when to help a teammate defensively."

Nansemond River coach Ed Young is another Brower admirer. "He has athletes that can get up and down quickly, but he has them disciplined and doing what he wants them to do."

Aggressive, man-to-man defense has always been a cornerstone of Brower teams and the current champions were no exception.

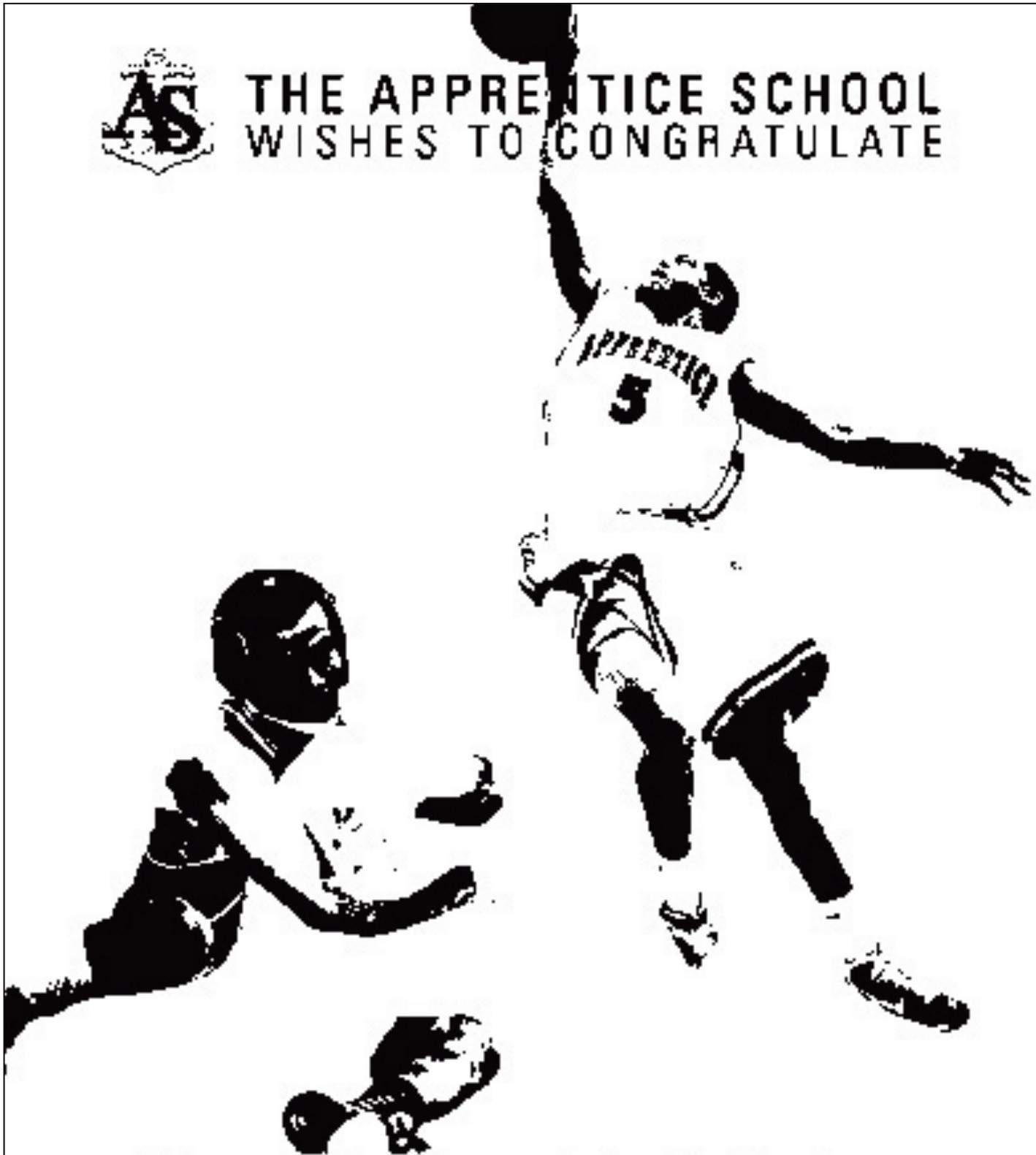
"This might be the best defensive group I've had," he said. "Undersized, but with a whole lot of heart. We played great defense."

They also had a great coach.





**THE APPRENTICE SCHOOL
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**Marcus Chevres and Isaih Harrison
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2012 CO-ATHLETES OF THE YEAR**



Marcus Chevres

Chevres finished a senior season with his own “four-peat” performance at the National Collegiate Wrestling Association Nationals in March. The outside machinist apprentice from Norfolk, VA., Chevres earned his fourth NCWA All-American honor as he finished third at 133 pounds. That made him the second four-time NCWA All-American in school history and helped him finish the year with a stellar 30-4 record. He also set the school all-time wins record ending his career with a 134-37 record. He had a 16-match winning streak spanning from Jan. 28 to nationals on March 9.

Chevres won the USCAA National Invitational at 133 pounds and took his fourth NCWA Mid-Atlantic Conference crown in February – winning 133 pounds for the third straight year after taking the 125 pound bracket as a freshman. Chevres was also named to the Virginia Sports Information Directors Association Second Team All-State Wrestling squad making him the first three-time honoree in school history.

Apprentice School Head Wrestling Coach Bruce Shumaker had high praise for Chevres. “Marcus was in my first recruiting class and we can only hope to bring in wrestlers that have his drive and determination each year,” he said. “Chevy made it fun to be a coach.”



Isaih Harrison

Senior men's basketball player Isaih Harrison helped lift his team to a fourth-place finish at the U.S. Collegiate Athletic Association National Championships in March. Prior to that tournament he was named to the USCAA All-American squad for the third straight year and was named to the All-Tournament team at the conclusion of the tournament. He was also a three-time honoree by the Virginia Sports Information Directors Association All-State College Division team. Harrison earned second team honors as a sophomore and was a two-time first team selection which made him the first three-time honoree in school history.

The Abbeville, La. native and sheet metal apprentice, set nine career records and 12 single-season records in his final campaign that saw him average 20.9 points and 12.3 rebounds per game. He averaged a double-double for the second straight year and ended his career as the all-time leading rebounder (984) and second in career points (1748).

Head Coach Franklin Chatman was equally as praiseworthy of Harrison's performance both on and off the court. “ Isaih is well deserving of receiving the Co-Athlete of the Year. He was our team leader on and off the court,” said Chatman. “Whether he was leading the team in rebounding, scoring, or assisting teammates with class work, he was always a class act. Isaih will truly be missed!”



Richard Roethel

Christopher Newport University junior Richard Roethel has already made his mark on the Captains' Track & Field program and in 2012, he continued to add to an already illustrious career. After earning All-American honors in the Decathlon in both his freshman and sophomore years with a third- and fourth-place finish respectively, the Captains' multi-event star won a national championship in 2012. At the NCAA Indoor National Championships, Roethel competed in the first ever Heptathlon at the Division III level and won five of the seven events en route to becoming the first Division III track & field athlete to win the event. It is just the fourth national championship in CNU history in men's track & field, and the first since 2001. In the same meet, he finished third in the High Jump, collecting his fifth career All-American honor. The Farmingdale, New York native has been named the Men's Field Athlete of the Year at the conference meet four times and with his win of the Heptathlon, was named National Field Athlete of the Year in 2012. As of May 15, Roethel is still competing in 2012, preparing for the NCAA Outdoor National Championship where he will likely compete in the Decathlon again, looking to collect his third straight All-American honor in the event.





Darrion Pellum

The 6-foot-6 senior guard made the All-Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference first team after leading the league in scoring with an 18.3 average.

He scored double figures 30 times, including 14 20-point efforts. Pellum tallied a career-high 36 points against Morgan State on Jan. 16. He averaged 19.7 points per game in two MEAC tournament outings. His 38.5 average minutes played was the most in the MEAC. He started all 33 games for the Pirates

Pellum made a career-high six steals versus Maryland Eastern Shore on Feb. 15 and dealt out a career-high-tying five assists against Longwood on Dec. 30.

His career totals included 1,607 points, 438 rebounds and 146 blocked shots.

Born April 15, 1987... son of Constance Pellum and Ivery Lee Wilkins Sr... has one brother, Ivery Lee Wilkins Jr... nicknamed P... featured in the Daily Press... majoring in recreation... wants to play professionally, either in the NBA or overseas... wants to earn degrees in both business management and sports management.

PELLUM'S CAREER HIGHS

Points: 36 at Morgan State (1/16/12)

Rebounds: 13 vs. Delaware State (1/29/11)

Assists: 5 (five times), last vs. Longwood (12/30/11)

Steals: 6 vs. Maryland Eastern Shore (2/15/12)

Blocked Shots: 2 vs. Winthrop (11/16/10)

Field Goals Made: 12 (twice), last at Morgan State (1/16/12)

Field Goals Attempted: 28 at Morgan State (1/16/12)

3-Pt. FG Made: 9 vs. Dominican (12/29/10)

3-Pt. FG Attempted: 13 (twice), last at Bethune-Cookman (2/27/12)

Free Throws Made: 19 at High Point (11/28/10)

Free Throws Attempted: 23 at High Point (11/28/10)



HAMPTON UNIVERSITY ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Quinn McDowell

Quinn McDowell became the first player in Colonial Athletic Association history to be named Dean Ehlers Leadership Award winner for a second time in 2012. The honor is given to a student-athlete who embodies the highest standards of leadership, integrity and sportsmanship in conjunction with his academic achievement.

The two-time William and Mary basketball team captain is the school career record holder in games and minutes played. He ranks third in W&M history in 3-point field goal percentage (.402) and fourth in career 3-pointers made (213). His 1,621 points rank sixth on the Tribe all-time scoring list.

McDowell is one of only four players in school history with 1,600 points and 500 rebounds. He was the CAA's No. 16 scorer with a 12.5 average as a senior. He was the first CAA player to be named a finalist for the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award and was a Lowe's second-team All-American.

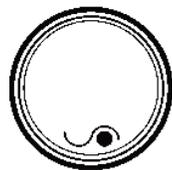
He is a three-time CAA All-Academic team selection and made the first team for a second time in 2012. He scored a season-high 27 points with a season-best five 3-pointers against UNC-Wilmington. McDowell was selected as one of the top shooters in the nation by CBSports.com. He ranked 21st on the list 50 shooters and was the only CAA player selected.

Son of Dave and Jenn McDowell ... Father, Dave, graduated from W&M in 1985 after competing on the football field for current Tribe head coach Jimmie Laycock from 1982-84 ... Majoring in religious studies.





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Jennifer Falin

Christopher Newport's senior second baseman Jennifer Falin slugged her way to a career year, featuring 11 home runs, 57 runs batted in and a .396 batting average in winning this honor for the second year in succession. She also stroked 17 doubles en route to a .732 slugging percentage in spurring the Captains (37-11) to a third straight NCAA Region final appearance.

Falin, a former all-state performer at Bruton High School, earned second team All-American honors from the National Fast pitch Coaches Association. She also snared first team All-Region honors and started all 48 games for CNU. She concluded her career as the Captains second all-time home run leader with 26 and ranked third in runs batted in at 140.

Her most memorable career moments came in the 2011 NCAA regional tournament at Salisbury, Md. Falin hit two game-deciding grand slam home runs on consecutive days as the Captains swept four games to make the NCAA's Elite 8.



Isaih Harrison



The Abbeville, La. native secured his third consecutive U.S. Collegiate Athletic Association basketball All-American honor in leading the Apprentice School to a fourth-place finish in the USCAA National Championships.

Harrison, a Denbigh High School alumnus, averaged 20.9 points and 12.3 rebounds. The senior forward closed his career as the Builders all-time leading rebounder with 984 and the No. 2 scorer at 1,748 points.

The sheet metal apprentice was the school's first three-time Virginia State Sports Information Directors Association honoree. The 6-foot-6 Harrison made the second team as a sophomore and the first team as a junior and senior.

"Whether he was leading the team in rebounding, scoring or assisting teammates with class work, he was always a class act," said Apprentice coach Franklin Chatman. "Isaih will truly be missed."



Bonae Holston

Bonae Holston closed out her productive North Carolina State basketball career being selected as the Wolfpack's most outstanding player by her teammates. The former Virginia AAA State Player of the Year at Heritage High School ranks as N.C. State's all-time No. 8 scorer with 1,624 points, No. 6 rebounder with 916 and is ninth in double-doubles with 25.

The 5-foot-11 forward, a third team All-Atlantic Coast Conference selection, averaged 12 points and eight rebounds in leading the Wolfpack to a WNIT berth. Holston was instrumental in the ninth-seeded Wolfpack's 76-75 upset of top seed Duke in the ACC tournament, scoring a team-high 16 points. It marked the first time in ACC tournament history an eighth or ninth seed ousted a No. 1. She also made the game-winning shot with six seconds left in a win over South Carolina. She was the ACC's fourth leading rebounder and No. 17 scorer as a senior.

Holston was the eighth player in school history to lead N.C. State in scoring and rebounding in consecutive seasons, which she accomplished in her sophomore and junior campaigns.





Ricardo Ratliffe

After earning Big 12 Conference Newcomer of the Year honors in the 2010-11 season, Kecoughtan High School product Ricardo Ratliffe supplied an interesting encore in his senior campaign at Missouri. The 6-foot-8 forward made a Big 12 record 69.3 percent of his field goals to top the nation in that category. His two-year career mark of 63.5 percent is also a conference record.

Ratliffe, who averaged 13.9 points and 7.5 rebounds for Mizzou, went on a six-game tear in which he converted 42 of his 48 shots early in the season. He reached double figures 28 times, including six 20-point games. He shot better than 70 percent in 18 games. Defense was another forte for the two-time Peninsula District Player of the Year as he finished with 80 blocked shots in two seasons at Mizzou, the 10th best output in school history.

He was named to the All-Big 12 second team and earned a spot on the the USBWA All-District 7 team. Ratliffe scored a career-high 27 points in a win at No. 3 Baylor and added a career-best 15 rebounds at Texas Tech.



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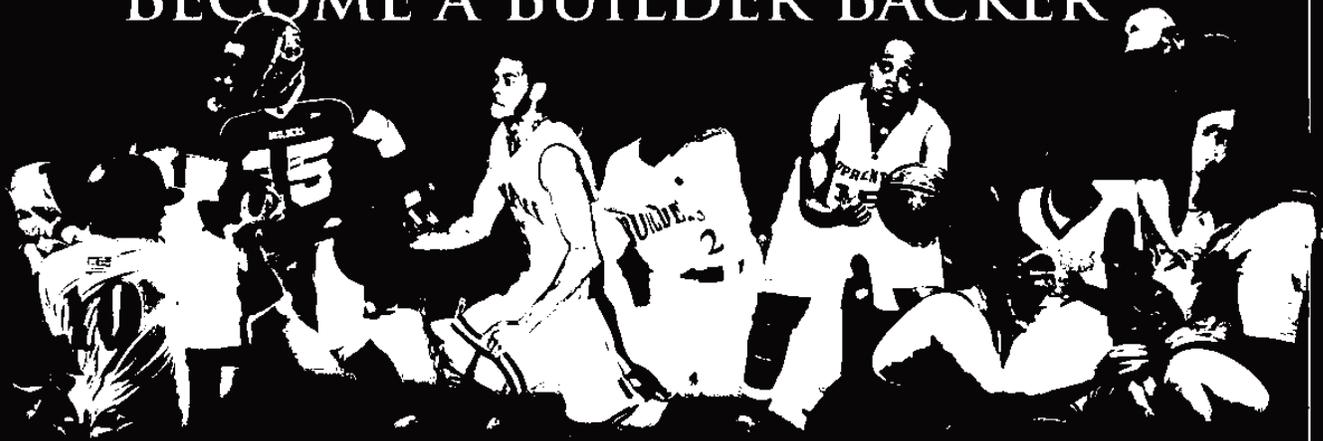
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