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2012-13 GULF SOUTH CONFERENCE MEN'S BASKETBALL RELEASE

UAH TABBED TO DEFEND GSC MEN'S BASKETBALL CROWN

Birmingham, AL—For the third consecutive year, **Alabama-Huntsville** was selected as a GSC Men's Basketball Pre-Season Coaches' Poll Favorite.

UAH was also a unanimous selection by the league's head coaches for the second year in a row, securing seven first-place votes en route to 49 points. The Chargers proved the prognosticators correct a year ago, capturing their first-ever GSC Tournament Title and also claiming their second straight NCAA South Regional Championship.

Christian Brothers came in second (36) after posting runner-up efforts in last year's GSC and Regional Finals. Third-place **West Georgia** (30) was the only other team to hit the 30-point total, while fourth-place **West Alabama** earned the lone remaining first-place vote to rack up 29 points. **North Alabama** (26) finished in the No. 5 spot, while **Delta State** and **Valdosta State** finished in a tie for sixth-place (20). **West Florida** rounded out the Pre-Season list by garnering 14 points.

2012 GSC MEN'S BASKETBALL PRE-SEASON COACHES' POLL

SCHOOL	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	Total
Alabama-Huntsville	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	49
Christian Brothers	—	4	1	1	1	—	—	36
West Georgia	—	2	2	—	2	1	—	30
West Alabama	1	1	2	—	—	3	—	29
North Alabama	—	1	—	3	2	1	—	26
Delta State	—	—	1	2	1	1	2	20
Valdosta State	—	—	2	—	2	1	2	20
West Florida	—	—	—	2	—	1	4	14

NOTE: The Head Coaches voted on this poll. Teams received 7 points for a first place vote, 6 for a second place vote, 5 for third, etc. The Head Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own squads.

WELCOME TO THE GSC

The Gulf South Conference welcomes two new competing institutions and one new head coach to its ranks in 2012-13.

Future GSC members **Shorter University** (GA) and **Union University** (TN) take the next step to becoming full members in 2014-15, as they play complete league schedules starting in 2012-13. SU and UU will not be eligible for the GSC or NCAA Tournaments until the 2014-15 season.

Delta State introduced **Jim Boone** as its new head men's basketball coach on April 12, 2012. Boone has extensive experience at the NCAA Division II level, holding a 338-166 mark as a DII head coach. The Winfield, WV native comes to Cleveland from West Virginia Wesleyan College where he led the Bobcats to a school-record 22 victories and first-ever Regional Title Game.

NCAA DIVISION II BASKETBALL GAMES OF THE WEEK

GSC members **Delta State** and **Valdosta State** were selected as one of the seven matchups set to be featured on the 2013 NCAA Division II Basketball Game of the Week.

DSU and VSU were just one of two doubleheader matchups selected to be a part of the television schedule. Valdosta State hosts Delta State in the third scheduled date on Tuesday, January 26 starting at 11:30 am Eastern Time. Both the men's and women's contests will be shown on **CBS Sports Network**.

2013 NCAA Division II Basketball Game of the Week TV Schedule

(All times EST)

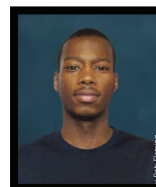
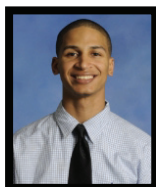
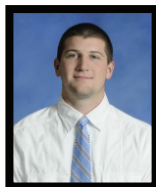
Jan. 5 (12:30 p.m.)	Doubleheader	Northwest Missouri State at Pittsburg State (MIAA)
Jan. 12 (Noon)	Men's	Anderson at Lincoln Memorial (SAC)
Jan. 26 (11:30 a.m.)	Doubleheader	Delta State at Valdosta State (GSC)
Feb. 9 (Noon)	Women's	Nova Southeastern at Florida Southern (SSC)
Feb. 16 (Noon)	Men's	Clayton State at Montevallo (PBC)
Feb. 23 (Noon)	Women's	Johnson C. Smith at Shaw (CIAA)
March 2 (4 p.m.)	Men's	Simon Fraser at Western Washington (GNAC)

2012 GSC PRE-SEASON MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

The 2012 GSC Pre-Season Men's Basketball Team is made up of two three-time returning members and three first timers.

Alabama-Huntsville was the lone school to place multiple players by posting at least two members for the third year in a row. **Senior guard Jaime Smith** and **senior forward Zane Campbell** return to the Pre-Season squad for the third consecutive season. Smith collected All-GSC First Team laurels a year ago, while Campbell is a 2011 First Team winner. Both players helped lead the Chargers to their first-ever GSC Title and second straight NCAA Regional Crown. Smith led the GSC a year ago in three-point field goal percentage (.486—107-220) and was second in free throw percentage (.849—146-172) and third in scoring (18.0). Campbell, a former GSC Player of the Year in 2010-11, placed third in field goal percentage (.607—193-318) and blocked shots (1.3) and ninth in scoring (14.7).

Delta State senior forward Terry Leake, **West Alabama senior guard Steven Samuels** and **Christian Brothers junior guard Harry Green** round out the GSC Pre-Season Team. Leake finished ninth in the Conference in steals a year ago (0.7) and 10th in scoring (14.0). Samuels is UWA's first Pre-Season player since 2010 after he led the Tigers in scoring (14.1) and rebounding (6.4) in just 17 games. Green started in all but one of CBU's 32 contests a year ago, placing eighth in the GSC in assists (3.3) and ninth in assists/turnover ratio (1.4).



<u>POS</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>HT</u>	<u>WT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>HOMETOWN</u>
F	#\$^Zane Campbell	UAH	6-8	245	SR	West Limestone, AL
G	!%Jaime Smith	UAH	6-3	185	SR	Birmingham, AL
G	Harry Green	CBU	6-1	175	JR	Memphis, TN
F	Terry Leake	DSU	6-5	220	SR	Memphis, TN
G	Steven Samuels	UWA	6-5	180	SR	Hartford, CT

!—2011-12 First Team All-GSC; #—2011-12 Second Team All-GSC; \$—2010-11 First Team All-GSC; %—2010-11 Second Team All-GSC; ^—2009-10 Second Team All-GSC

2012 GSC MEN'S BASKETBALL TOP NEWCOMERS

<u>POS</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>HT</u>	<u>WT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>LAST SCHOOL/HOMETOWN</u>
G	Wayne Dedrick	UAH	6-2	190	FR	Hillcrest HS/Tuscaloosa, AL
G	Ronnie Mack	UAH	6-5	195	FR	Bishop Chatard HS/Indianapolis, IN
G	Drew Hildreth	CBU	6-4	190	FR	Bolton HS/Memphis, TN
G	Ryan Fleming	CBU	6-3	190	SO	Northern Kentucky Univ./Cincinnati, OH
G	Jack Madgen	DSU	6-4	220	FR	Faith Lutheran Sec. School/Williamstown, Australia
F	Declan Harrick	DSU	6-5	230	FR	St. Kevin's College Acad./Melbourne, Australia
G	Kerven Calixte	UWA	6-3	210	JR	Weatherford JC/Orlando, FL
G	DeMarco Spears	UWA	6-0	170	JR	Lurleen B. Wallace CC/Evansville, IN
G	Tracy Williams	UWF	6-0	185	SR	Clayton State Univ./Cocoa, FL
G/F	Ellis Young	UWF	6-4	200	JR	Brevard CC/Cocoa, FL
G/F	Sean Boston	UWG	6-4	200	JR	Antelope Valley CC/Wilmington, CA
F	Dan Trimble	UWG	6-8	190	FR	Geneva Community HS/Geneva, IL