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MEAC ANNOUNCES ITS 2009 ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

Eagles McKee Named Player of the Year

Winston-Salem, N.C., March 9, 2009 – The Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) announced its 2009 all-conference teams Monday evening at the Tip-Off Banquet held at the M.C. Benton Jr. Convention Center. Coppin State's Tywain McKee earned the 2009 MEAC Player of Year award, as voted by the conference's head coaches and sports information directors. Todd Bozeman of Morgan State was named the MEAC Coach of the Year, as voted by his peers. Clifford Reed of Bethune-Cookman, was named as the 2009 MEAC Rookie of the Year, while South Carolina State's Jason Johnson garnered Defensive Player of the Year honors.

Tywain McKee, the second best scorer in the MEAC, led his team in scoring (18.2), rebounding (5.7), assists (4.0) and steals (2.9). Throughout his career, McKee has earned MEAC Rookie of the Year honors, Preseason Player of the Year accolades, and was named the most outstanding performer following last year's MEAC Tournament win. The senior recently became the school's all-time leading scorer and holds the MEAC tournament record for points with 93.

Todd Bozeman guided the Morgan State Bears to a 13-3 conference record and 20-11 overall mark. In his third year at the helm, Bozeman's Bears recorded top non-conference wins over Maryland and DePaul and are currently ranked 23rd in Mid-Major Top 25 poll. Morgan State, who earned back-to-back regular season championship titles, has won the most Division I games in school history and will enter tournament play as the number one seed.

Cliff Reed, a 6-3 guard, led his team with 14.6 points per game and earned a rookie and player of the week accolade this season. He has led the MEAC in minutes played all season while averaging 39 minutes per game. The conference's seventh leading scorer, Reed has recorded double digits in 27 of 31 games and averages 4.0 assists and 1.3 steals.

Jason Johnson becomes the conference's third Defensive Player of the Year honoree. A two-time Defensive Player of the Week recipient, Johnson leads the conference with seven double-doubles and is second in the MEAC with the most double-digit rebounding outings this season at 12. He currently leads the MEAC in rebounds with 8.5 boards per game and shoots a conference high 62-percent from the field, which ranks third in the nation.

McKee was joined on the 2009 MEAC First Team by Jason Johnson (South Carolina State), Reggie Holmes (Morgan State), Michael Deloach (Norfolk State) and Eugene Myatt (Howard).

The 2009 MEAC Second Team featured Clifford J. Reed (Bethune-Cookman), Vincent Simpson (Hampton), Jason Flager (South Carolina State), Corey Lyons (Norfolk State), Neal Pitt (Maryland E. Shore), and Marquise Kately (Morgan State).

The 2009 MEAC Rookie Team included Reed (Bethune-Cookman), Michael Harper (Coppin State), Jimmy Williams (South Carolina State), Keishawn Mayes (Maryland E. Shore) and Kevin Thompson (Morgan State).

The 2009 MEAC Basketball Tournament tips-off on Tuesday, March 10-14, at the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum in Winston-Salem, NC. Hampton will face Delaware State in the first men's match-up beginning at 6:30 p.m. followed by Florida A&M versus Howard at 9 p.m.

For MEAC Tournament information, log on to www.MEAChoops.com. For the latest on MEAC athletics, visit www.MEACsports.com.

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Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference 2009 Men's Basketball All-Conference Teams

Coach of the Year: Todd Bozeman, Morgan State University

Player of the Year: Tywain McKee, Coppin State University

Rookie of the Year: Clifford J. Reed, Bethune-Cookman University

Defensive Player of the Year: Jason Johnson, South Carolina State University

FIRST TEAM

Name	School	Pos	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
Tywain McKee	Coppin State	G	6-2	182	Sr.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Jason Johnson	South Carolina State	F/C	6-7	220	Jr.	Bronx, N.Y.
Reggie Holmes	Morgan State	G	6-4	180	Jr.	Baltimore, Md.
Michael Deloach	Norfolk State	G	6-0	175	Sr.	Rocky Mount, N.C.
Eugene Myatt	Howard	G	6-5	210	Sr.	Philadelphia, Pa.

SECOND TEAM

Name	School	Pos	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
Clifford J. Reed	Bethune-Cookman	G	6-3	175	Fr.	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Vincent Simpson	Hampton	G	6-1	170	Jr.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Jason Flagler	South Carolina State	G/F	6-4	185	Jr.	Woodbridge, Va.
Corey Lyons	Norfolk State	G/F	6-4	185	Sr.	Bronx, N.Y.
Neal Pitt	Maryland E. Shore	F	6-6	230	Jr.	Fort Washington, Md.
Marquise Kately	Morgan State	F	6-5	220	Sr.	San Francisco, Calif.

ROOKIE TEAM

Name	School	Pos	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
Clifford J. Reed	Bethune-Cookman	G	6-3	175	Fr.	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Michael Harper	Coppin State	G	6-4	195	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wisc.
Jimmy Williams	South Carolina State	G	6-3	190	Fr.	East Dublin, Ga.
Keishawn Mayes	Maryland E. Shore	F	6-7	225	Fr.	Warrenton, N.C.
Kevin Thompson	Morgan State	F/C	6-8	240	r-Fr.	Baltimore, Md.