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FRANK HAGGERTY

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Mention that name in college and high school basketball and baseball circles and one will recall that he was the first graduate of both Chaminade High School and St. John's University to die in military service during World War II.

A shortstop as well as a basketball player, Haggerty was in the Army Air Force (now called the Air Force, since it is a separate branch of the military) as a pursuit pilot when his plane crashed over the Catawba River in North Carolina 1942.

At the time of Frank's death, Mike Lee, the late sports editor/columnist for the now defunct Long Island Press, wrote, "He was a great athlete...a distinguished student...a gentleman. He gave his best at all times. Frank had the American spirit...the will to win."

The Fathers Club of the Mineola school, to honor Haggerty, class of 1936, introduced a basketball tournament in his memory. Sixteen teams played at the Jamaica Arena in 1943 and 1944. So popular did it become that expansion was necessary. Preliminary rounds continued to be held at Jamaica arena and, in 1945, 16 teams moved into the old Madison Square Garden for the remainder of the tourney.

That marked the first schoolboy competition at the 49th Street and Eighth Avenue arena. Attendance reached a little over 8,000. The tourney was discontinued after 1948 but was brought back in 1983 by Jack Lenz, then the athletic director at Chaminade. It continues to be played there annually.

While at Chaminade (he graduated in 1936), Haggerty captained both the baseball and basketball squads. He was the school's first alumnus to die in the line of duty. At St. John's, he co-captained the basketball team with the now-deceased Bill McKeever. Ironically, it was McKeever who called some of his SJU classmates and friends to tell them of Frank's death.

Upon earning his degree from SJU, the shortstop signed with the Atlantic Crackers of the Southern Association. He was sent to Selma, Ala., a Class B team in the Southeastern League. After one season he joined the military and went on to give his life for his country.

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2021	Sandro Mamukelashvili, Seton Hall	1978	George Johnson, St. John's
2020	Myles Powell, Seton Hall	1977	Rich Laurel, Hofstra
2019	Myles Powell, Seton Hall	1976	Phil Sellers, Rutgers
2018	Shamorie Ponds, St. John's	1975	Phil Sellers, Rutgers
2017	Angel Delgado, Seton Hall	1974	Bill Champion, Manhattan
2016	Isaiah Whitehead, Seton Hall	1973	Bill Schaefer, St. John's
2015	Sir' Dominic Pointer, St. John's	1972	Rich Garner, Manhattan
2014	D'Angelo Harrison, St. John's		Tom Sullivan, Fordham
2013	Lamont Jones, Iona	1971	Charlie Yelverton, Fordham
2012	Scott Machado, Iona	1970	Jim McMillian, Columbia
2011	Charles Jenkins, Hofstra	1969	Jim McMillian, Columbia
2010	Charles Jenkins, Hofstra	1968	Jim McMillian, Columbia
2009	Charles Jenkins, Hofstra	1967	Lloyd "Sonny" Dove, St. John's
2008	Jason Thompson, Rider	1966	Albie Grant, LIU
2007	Jared Jordan, Marist	1965	Warren Isaac, Iona
2006	Quincy Douby, Rutgers	1964	Nick Werkman, Seton Hall
2005	Keydren Clark, St. Peter's	1963	Barry Kramer, NYU
2004	Andre Barrett, Seton Hall	1962	LeRoy Ellis, St. John's
	Luis Flores, Manhattan	1961	Tony Jackson, St. John's
2003	Luis Flores, Manhattan	1960	Tom "Satch" Sanders, NYU
2002	Marcus Hatten, St. John's	1959	Al Seiden, St. John's
2001	Norm Richardson, Hofstra	1958	Jim Cunningham, Fordham
2000	Speedy Claxton, Hofstra	1957	Chet Forte, Columbia
1999	Ron Artest, St. John's	1956	Bill Thieben, Hofstra
1998	Felipe Lopez, St. John's	1955	Ed Conlin, Fordham
1997	Charles Jones, LIU	1954	Ed Conlin, Fordham
1996	Adrian Griffin, Seton Hall	1953	Walter Dukes, Seton Hall
1995	Joe Griffin, LIU	1952	Ron MacGilvray, St. John's
1994	Izett Buchanan, Marist	1951	John Azary, Columbia
	Arturas Karnishovas, Seton Hall	1950	Sherman White, LIU
1993	Terry Dehere, Seton Hall	1949	Dick McGuire, St. John's
1992	Malik Sealy, St. John's	1948	Dolph Schayes, NYU
1991	Malik Sealy, St. John's	1947	Sid Tanenbaum, NYU
1990	Greg "Boo" Harvey, St. John's	1946	Sid Tanenbaum, NYU
1989	John Morton, Seton Hall	1945	Bill Kotsores, St. John's
1988	Mark Bryant, Seton Hall	1944	Dick McGuire, St. John's
1987	Kevin Houston, Army	1943	Andrew "Fuzzy" Levane, St. John's
	Mark Jackson, St. John's	1942	Jim White, St. John's
1986	Walter Berry, St. John's	1941	Jack "Dutch" Garfinkel, St. John's
1985	Chris Mullin, St. John's	1940	Ben Auerbach, NYU
1984	Steve Burt, Iona	1939	Irving Torgoff, LIU
	Chris Mullin, St. John's	1938	Bernie Fliegel, CCNY
1983	Chris Mullin, St. John's	1937	Ben Kramer, LIU
1982	Dan Callandrillo, Seton Hall	1936	Jules Bender, LIU
1981	Gary Springer, Iona		
1980	Jeff Ruland, Iona		
1979	Nick Galis, Seton Hall		

(1934-35 records unavailable)

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Three-Time Haggerty Award Winners

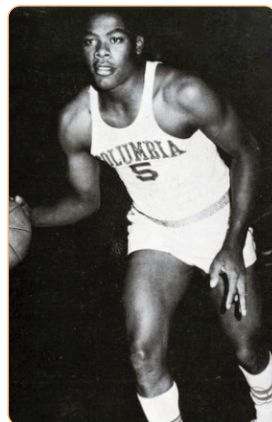
JIM McMILLIAN, COLUMBIA • 1968, 1969, 1970

The first three-time winner of the Haggerty Award, "Jimmy Mac" led Columbia to a three-year record of 63-14, earning All-Ivy League honors after each season.

As a sophomore, McMillian led the Lions to Holiday Festival title with wins over West Virginia, Louisville and St. John's on successive days, the Ivy League title and the second round of the NCAA tournament, as Columbia finished 23-5 that season.

McMillian, who was an All-City selection at Thomas Jefferson High School in Brooklyn, teamed with fellow forward Heyward Dotson to lead the Lions to one of the best three-year runs in school history. McMillian averaged 22.9 points per game over his three seasons and finished his career with 743 rebounds, figures that still rank second in school history. McMillian was drafted by the Los Angeles Lakers in the first round and played for them for three seasons before finishing his nine-year NBA career with the Portland Trail Blazers.

While with the Lakers, McMillian stepped in to replace Hall of Famer Elgin Baylor when he retired early in the 1971-72 season. In his first game as a starter McMillian had 22 points and 13 rebounds as the Lakers won the first game of their NBA-record 33-game winning streak on the way to the title.



CHRIS MULLIN, ST. JOHN'S • 1983, 1984, 1985

Along with Patrick Ewing of Georgetown, Mullin is considered the driving force behind the quick national success of the Big East Conference. The 6-foot-6 lefthanded sharpshooter from Brooklyn was the national player of the year in 1985, leading Redmen to the Final Four.

As a freshman, the only year he didn't win the Haggerty Award, Mullin was selected the area's rookie of the year. As a sophomore he swept the Big East awards for player of the year and tournament MVP as the Redmen won their first conference title. He averaged a career-high 22.9 points as a junior when he shared Big East player of the year honors with Ewing and the two did the same as seniors when both schools were ranked No. 1 during the season.

Mullin, who made being a gym rat fashionable, finished with 2,240 points and shot 55 percent from the field including many a long jumper in the days before there was a 3-point line.

He won two Olympic gold medals, in 1984 and as a member of the Dream Team and in 1992 again with Ewing as a teammate. A first-round draft pick of the Golden State Warriors, Mullin went on to a long and successful NBA career. From 2015-20, he served as head coach at his alma mater, St. John's.



CHARLES JENKINS, HOFSTRA • 2009, 2010, 2011

The third three-time winner of the Haggerty Award is Hofstra's sensational guard Charles Jenkins. Over his four seasons, Jenkins amassed 2,513 points, becoming only the 63rd player in NCAA history to reach the 2,500-point plateau. He shattered the old Hofstra scoring record, held by former teammate Antoine Agudio (2,276 points), and also finished fifth in school history with 489 assists, 213 steals and 177 three-pointers. His 2,513 points also ranks second in Colonial Athletic Association history, behind only David Robinson of Navy (2,669).

Jenkins capped off his career with Hofstra by averaging a career-best 22.6 points per game, ranked sixth nationally, to help the Pride to a 21-12 final record and a second-place finish in the CAA at 14-4. In addition to the Haggerty Award, Jenkins also earned national recognition that season by earning third-team All-America honors from four major media outlets, and also earned the Chip Hilton Award from the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC), which is given to a senior who has demonstrated personal character on and off the court.

Jenkins was drafted by the Golden State Warriors with the 44th pick of the 2011 draft. He also played in the NBA for the Philadelphia 76ers and is currently playing for the Red Star Belgrade of the Serbian League.





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Two-Time Haggerty Award Winners



DICK MCGUIRE, ST. JOHN'S • 1944, 1949

The first two-time winner of the Haggerty Award, McGuire bookended his around a stint in the Navy during World War II. Considered one of the best passing guards ever produced by the New York City playgrounds, McGuire still averaged 12.8 points his senior season. He won the award as a freshman despite leaving for the service before the Redmen won NIT. His last two seasons he played with his brother Al, who went on to win a national championship as coach at Marquette in 1975. He began his long NBA career with the New York Knicks, whom he later coached, and he was a player-coach with the Detroit Pistons. McGuire, who was a senior consultant for the Knicks, until he passed away in 2010, was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Hall of Fame in 1993, one year after his brother.



SID TANENBAUM, NYU • 1946, 1947

As a junior, Tanenbaum led the Violets to an 18-2 record and the NCAA tournament where they lost to North Carolina in the first round. He was team captain the next season and although NYU finished 12-9, Tanenbaum was named to several All-America teams and received the Bar Kochba Award given to the country's outstanding Jewish athlete. When graduated - he was the school's all-time leading scorer with 992 points. His professional career included a stint with the New York Knicks.



ED CONLIN, FORDHAM • 1954, 1955

As a junior, Conlin averaged 22.4 points and 17.4 rebounds for the Rams and then improved his statistics as a senior to the remarkable stage, averaging 26.1 points and 21.4 rebounds. He grabbed 36 rebounds against Colgate as a sophomore when he led the nation in rebounding at 23.5 per game. Still Fordham's all-time leading scorer and rebounder, Conlin is the only person to have his number retired on Rose Hill. Conlin, who went on to a seven-year NBA career, is still considered one of the best rebounders to play in the New York Metropolitan area.



PHIL SELLERS, RUTGERS • 1975, 1976

A 6-foot-5 forward, Sellers is still Rutgers' all-time leading scorer (2,399) and rebounder (1,115). He averaged 22.7 ppg and 9.4 rebounds as a junior when he became the first Rutgers player to win the Haggerty Award. He followed that up with a senior season that saw him average 19.2 points and 10.1 rebounds as the Scarlet Knights went unbeaten until losing to Michigan in the Final Four. He was a unanimous first-team All-America as a senior. Sellers played briefly with the Detroit Pistons before returning to his alma mater as an assistant coach.



MALIK SEALY, ST. JOHN'S • 1991, 1992

The only player besides Chris Mullin to score 2,000 points at St. John's, Sealy averaged 22.1 and 22.6 points to cap his impressive career with consecutive Haggerty Awards and 2,401 career points. As a junior, Sealy led the Redmen to the regional finals of the NCAA tournament and was a first-team All-Big East selection for the first of two times. A silky smooth 6-foot-7 forward, Sealy scored in double figures in a school-record 102 consecutive games. His NBA career was cut tragically short when he was killed by a drunk driver in 2000.



LUIS FLORES, MANHATTAN • 2003, 2004

A scoring phenom in high school, Flores transferred to Manhattan from Rutgers after his freshman season. As a junior, he was seventh nationally with a 24.6 scoring average as the Jaspers finished 23-7. Flores was fifth in the country in scoring as a senior, averaging 24.0 points as Manhattan went 25-6 and he shared the Haggerty Award with Andre Barrett of Seton Hall. A two-time MAAC player of the year, Flores finished as Manhattan's all-time leading scorer with 2,046 points. Including 39 points in 14 games at Rutgers, he totaled 2,085 for his collegiate career.



MYLES POWELL, SETON HALL • 2019, 2020

Powell, one of the most decorated Seton Hall Pirates in school history, was the schools' first first-team All-American since 1953, first BIG EAST Player of the Year since 1993 and the 2020 Jerry West National Shooting Guard of the Year award as a senior and led the Pirates to the 2020 Big East championship. He finished his career with 2,252 points (third all-time in school history), and is the program's all-time leader in three-pointers with 348. Additionally, he is the only Pirate to capture back-to-back Haggerty Met Player of the Year honors.





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Women's Collegiate Players of the Year

- 2021 Arella Guirantes, Rutgers • 5-11, Sr., G, Bellport, NY
- 2020 Stella Johnson, Rider • 5-10, Sr., G, Denville, NJ
- 2019 Bre Cavanaugh, Fordham • 5-8, So. G, Allamuchy, NJ
- 2018 Tyler Scaife, Rutgers • 5-9, Sr., G, Little Rock, AR
- 2017 Camille Zimmerman, Columbia • 6-1, Jr., G/F, Tempe, AZ
- 2016 Kelsey Minato, Army West Point • 5-8, Sr., G, Huntington Beach, CA
- 2015 Ka-Deidre Simmons, Seton Hall • 5-8, Gr., G Newark, NJ
- 2014 Damika Martinez, Iona • 5-7, Jr., G, Meriden, CT
- 2013 Nadirah McKenith, St. John's • 5-7, Sr., G, Newark, NJ
- 2012 Shenneika Smith, St. John's • 6-1, Jr., G, Brooklyn, NY
- 2011 Erica Allenspach, Marist • 5-8, Sr., G, Miamisburg, OH
- 2010 Da'Shena Stevens, St. John's • 6-1, Sr., F, Stamford, CT
- 2009 Rachele Fitz, Marist • 6-0, Sr., F, Seven Hills, OH
- 2008 Epiphanny Prince, Rutgers • 5-9, So., G, Brooklyn, NY
- 2007 Kia Vaughn, Rutgers • 6-4, So., C, Bronx, NY
- 2006 Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers • 5-9, Sr., G, Chicago, IL
- 2005 Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers • 5-9, Jr., G, Chicago, IL
- 2004 Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers • 5-9, So., G, Chicago, IL
- 2003 Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers • 5-9, Fr., G, Chicago, IL
- 2002 Felicia Harris, Saint Peter's • 5-11, Sr., F, Jersey City, NJ
- 2001 Tasha Pointer, Rutgers • 5-6, Sr., G, Chicago, IL
- 2000 Shannetta Stewart, Rutgers • 5-10, Sr., G/F, Philadelphia, PA
- 1999 Shannetta Stewart, Rutgers • 5-10, Jr., G/F, Philadelphia, PA
- 1998 Tomura Young, Rutgers • 5-10, Jr., G, Red Bank, NJ
- 1997 Tasha Pointer, Rutgers (co-winners) • 5-6, Fr., G, Chicago, IL
- 1997 Dana Wynne, Seton Hall (co-winners) • 6-1, Sr., F, East Orange, NJ
- 1996 Gina Somma, Manhattan • 6-0, Sr., F, Fort Lee, NJ



THE MBWA'S ONLY FOUR-TIME MEN'S OR WOMEN'S PLAYER OF THE YEAR CAPPIE PONDEXTER, RUTGERS • 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006

Cappie Pondexter of Rutgers enjoyed a remarkable collegiate career as one of the best to grace the hardwood of the RAC, winning her fourth consecutive MBWA Division I Women's Player of the Year honor. Pondexter's list of honors collected as a Scarlet Knight are long and distinguished, including ranking second in all-time scoring (2,211, 14th on the All-Met list). During her career, the Chicago native averaged 18.3 points, 4.4 rebounds and 1.8 steals in 121 games played. The highest WNBA draft pick in school history, taken second by the Phoenix Mercury in 2006, Pondexter's career continued to shine following her days at Rutgers. Before retiring in 2018, she became a two-time WNBA champion (Phoenix Mercury 2007, 2009), a seven-time All-Star and was named one of the 20 greatest players in the 20-year history of the league. Pondexter became the seventh player in WNBA history to score more than 6,000 career points.





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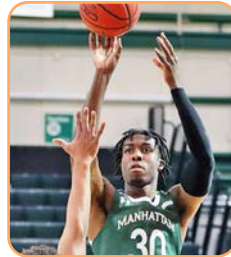




MBWA 2021 Players of the Week

MEN'S PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

- Jan. 4-10 Tyler Thomas, Sacred Heart
- Jan. 11-17 Julian Champagnie, St. John's
- Jan. 18-24 Posh Alexander, St. John's
- Jan. 25-31 Julian Champagnie, St. John's
- Feb. 1-7 Sandro Mamukelashvili, Seton Hall, Div. I; Grant Singleton, St. Thomas Aquinas, Divs. II/III
- Feb. 8-14 Elijah Buchanan, Manhattan, Div. I; Ryan Turell, Yeshiva, Divs. II/III
- Feb. 15-21 Sandro Mamukelashvili, Seton Hall, Div. I; David Gervase, Drew, Divs. II/III
- Feb. 22-28 Geo Baker, Rutgers, Div. I; Anthony Cooper, Caldwell, Divs. II/III
- Mar. 1-7 Julian Champagnie, St. John's, Div. I; Grant Singleton, St. Thomas Aquinas, Divs. II/III



WOMEN'S PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

- Jan. 4-10 Anna DeWolfe, Fordham
- Jan. 11-17 Andra Espinoza-Hunter, Seton Hall
- Jan. 18-24 Andra Espinoza-Hunter, Seton Hall
- Jan. 25-31 Leilani Correa, St. John's
- Feb. 1-7 Emilija Krista Grava, Wagner, and Courtney Warley, Manhattan, Div. I (tie); Sekya Campbell, Drew, Divs. II/III
- Feb. 8-14 Dee Dee Davis, Manhattan, Div. I; Justina Cabezas, William Paterson, Divs. II/III
- Feb. 15-21 Arella Guirantes, Rutgers, Div. I; Joey Meyers, Drew, and Damaris Rodriguez, NJCU, Divs. II/III (tie)
- Feb. 22-28 Lauren Park-Lane, Seton Hall, Div. I; Shannon McCoy, Kean, Divs. II/III
- Mar. 1-7 Arella Guirantes, Rutgers, Div. I; Taylor Tomlinson, Dominican, Divs. II/III



In Memoriam, 2020-21

We remember those who have left the game

Each year, when the Met Basketball Writers Association conducts its annual All-Met collegiate awards presentations, we pause for a Moment of Silence to reflect upon those beloved individuals from our Met basketball community who passed away during the previous year. Since our last All-Met online journal publication in spring 2020, we have again lost a number of friends, family and associates who we will forever cherish. Since our in-person awards dinner this year again had to be canceled, we ask you to pause, reflect and conduct your own Moment of Silence as you read and reflect upon those who have passed away during the past year.



WALTER "WALT" BRADY, 85,
d. August 28, 2020

A former baseball and basketball player at St. John's University, Walt Brady was part of the last cohort to play for St. John's in Brooklyn's DeGray Gym. Brady began competing for the Redmen on the hardwood as a sophomore in 1954-55. After averaging 6.1 and 6.0 points as a sophomore and junior, respectively, Brady's best campaign came as a senior in 1956-57, when he averaged 6.7 points per game and the Redmen went 14-9 in their first season following coach Joe Lapchick's return from the New York Knicks.

On the diamond, Brady played his first season for coach Dusty DeStefano in 1955 before Jack Kaiser took over the team for the 1956 and 1957 campaigns. During each of those final two seasons, Brady helped lead St. John's to NCAA Tournament appearances, as the team went 16-4 and 21-5, respectively. He enjoyed his best individual season as a junior in 1956, hitting .303 and striking out just four times in 76 at-bats. At the conclusion of his college days, Brady signed with the Boston Red Sox and played three years in the minor leagues, rising as high as Triple-A in 1959 and 1960.

Brady then began a long and successful career as an insurance executive, working 35 years for New York Life before retiring in 1998. Brady was survived by his wife, Dorothy, and their six children, 17 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. (— From St. John's University)

THOMAS "TOM" KONCHALSKI, 74,
d. March 6, 2021

Tom Konchalski, for decades, was regarded as the best high school basketball scout in the country. "He was a saint," Duke head coach Mike Krzyzewski said, according to a tweet from sportswriter Pete Thamel. "There was something divine about his work and about him. He was truly beloved and respected by this basketball community for decades. He should be in the Hall of Fame, really, as a great contributor to the game."



An outpouring of tributes followed the news of Konchalski's death from cancer. The Forest Hills resident spent his final days at Calvary Hospital in the Bronx.

He wrote for High School Basketball Illustrated since 1979 and became the owner in 1984 when he bought it from its founder, Howard Garfinkel. Despite its name, the reports, written on Konchalski's typewriter, did not contain photos. Player summaries were mailed 16 times a year to more than 200 college coaches who subscribed.

Konchalski, who retired in May, 2020, did not own a computer or a cell phone. He didn't drive and he got rid of his answering machine after six months because of constant calls. Hall of Fame coach Rick Pitino once called him "the single toughest person in the world to reach."

Konchalski grew up in Elmhurst and attended Archbishop Molloy High School. After graduating from Fordham University, he became a Catholic school math teacher and CYO coach but left his teaching job to become a full-time scout.

At 6-foot-6, Konchalski stood out and he could always be seen with his black leather binder and yellow notepad, watching from the top of the bleachers. His firm, seemingly never-ending handshake was also a staple. Part of the awe Konchalski inspired in people was because of his seemingly photographic memory. In addition to his recall of dates, games, scores and rosters, there was also the descriptive language of his reports: A player using the glass "shoots more bankers than Bonnie and Clyde." One who would absorb contact "takes more charges than MasterCard." And a player who could jump high "logs more air miles than United."





In Memoriam, 2020-21

We remember those who have left the game

His many friends are hoping that he will be enshrined in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. When candidates were announced last December, Konchalski was listed on the contributor nomination list. Konchalski is survived by his brother, Steve, who retired on March 31, 2021, after 46 seasons as the head basketball coach at St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia, Canada, as the winningest coach in Canadian university history.

(— Excerpted from the *Queens Chronicle*)

JOSEPH “JOE” MASI, 63,

d. May, 2020



Joe Masi, a fixture on the New York sports broadcasting scene for decades, passed away after contracting COVID-19. Masi was born in the Bronx and attended Lehman College, where as member of campus station WHLC, he did play-by-play for several school sports teams,

including men’s basketball and ice hockey in the late 1970s and early 1980s. Blessed with a golden voice and a conversational delivery, his affiliation with Lehman led to his being hired to broadcast several CUNY basketball championship games.

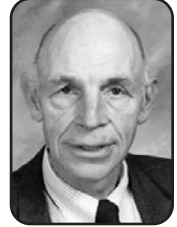
After college, Masi joined WFAS Radio in Westchester where he broadcast everything from high school football to USBL minor-league basketball. He was the lead announcer for the station’s Army sports events, most notably football, but also men’s basketball and ice hockey. He was behind the mic for two Army-Navy Games, the 1988 Sun Bowl between Army and Alabama, and the first college football game ever played in Ireland: an Army-Boston College matchup in 1988.

Masi later handled several assignments for Madison Square Garden, including arena football and New York Knicks pregame shows. He broadcast Columbia basketball in 1991-92 and was hired by St. John’s the following season as their play-by-play announcer, spending three seasons for the Redmen, later the Red Storm. After St. John’s, he broadcasted PSAL games and announced for several local colleges including York, Queensborough and Lehman. Masi’s broadcast partners included Bob Wolff (Army football), Brian Burwell (arena football), Cal Ramsey (St. John’s basketball) and David Russell (QCC).

(— From David Russell)

WILLIAM BERNARD “BILL” THIEBEN, 86,

d. April 15, 2021



One of the all-time greats in Met basketball history, Big Bill Thieben of Hofstra was named in 1956 as the winner of the Lt. Frank J. Haggerty Award presented each season to the top player in the New York metropolitan area. That 1955-56 season the 6-foot-7 senior forward/center averaged 26.8 points — in the days before the 3-point shot — on 53.2% shooting from the field along with an astounding 22.7 rebounds as the Flying Dutchmen went 22-4 under first-year coach Butch van Breda Kolff.

A native of Suffolk County, Long Island, Thieben attended Sayville High School from 1948 to 1952. On February 26, 1952, as a senior, he scored a school record 48 points in a game against Northport. In choosing a college, Thieben decided to stay local.

Thieben’s name is all over the Hofstra record book despite only competing for three seasons due to NCAA rules prohibiting freshman from playing varsity sports at the time. He ranks seventh all-time in scoring with 2,045 career points and first in program history with 1,837 career rebounds. His 48 points versus Union in 1954-55 is tied for the most in a single game in school history. For his career, he averaged a program record 26.9 points per game and also holds the program record for rebounds in a single game (43) and season (627), in addition to the career mark. His No. 93 uniform number has been retired by Hofstra.

Following his standout college career, Thieben was selected by the Fort Wayne Pistons in the 1956 NBA Draft. Thieben would play two seasons for the Pistons — 1956-57 in Fort Wayne and 1957-58 in Detroit where the franchise moved — before transitioning to a 36-year public school teaching and administrative career. He was at first a history teacher and coach, and then assistant principal at Bay Shore (NY) High School for 13 years. He was principal at Rocky Point (NY) High School for 23 years before retiring in 1994. He also served as a college professor at numerous colleges on Long Island.

Thieben is survived by his wife of 65 years, Georgia, son Bill, sister Lore Barbier, and numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

(— With assistance from Hofstra University)



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ALL-MET HONOREES





Jim O'Connell Sports Journalism Scholarship Award

In 2019, the Metropolitan Basketball Writers Association inaugurated an annual college grant to be awarded to a Met area student in sports journalism, communications or management which was named in memory of Jim O'Connell, the longtime Associated Press national college basketball editor who passed away in July 2018, at the age of 64.

Oc, as he was known, was a long-standing member of the MBWA Executive Committee as well as the Naismith Hall of Fame. For many years he served as co-chair and a presenter at the association's annual NIT-MBWA Haggerty Awards Dinner.

JIM O'CONNELL

'Oc' Scholarshio grant namesake

Few held court like Jim O'Connell.

Whether you were Coach K, a TV analyst, a fellow sports writer or a fan, he had the same effect on everyone: In just a few minutes, he had you hooked, drawn into his colorful basketball world. And always



told a tremendous story, often entertaining and educating AP co-workers in between bites of his nightly, well-done hamburgers and chocolate egg creams. He also was a fixture at college basketball games. TV analysts, other writers, fans, coaches and referees would gravitate toward a man with a long memory, Irish wit and perfect timing.

"You gotta hear the one about ..." he would start, and then everyone would stop and listen. O'Connell — he signed his name Oc, pronounced it "Ock" — was a former president of the United States Basketball Writers Association and entered that organization's Hall of Fame in 2002. The same year, he accepted the Naismith Memorial Hall of Fame's Curt Gowdy Award for his coverage of the sport. O'Connell served as the AP's national college basketball writer since 1987 and was a fixture at major events from the Final Four to the Big East Tournament to the Maui Invitational.

O'Connell is survived by his wife, Anne; sons James and Andrew; and sisters Winnie and Mary. (A.P., July 2, 2018)



2019 Scholarship

Robert Callaghan,
NY Institute of Technology



2020 Scholarship

Kai Henson,
St. Joseph's-Brooklyn

Jim O'Connell, lower left, presented the MBWA's "Good Guy" award last in 2016, to his longtime friend, CUNY's Zak Ivkovic.

On the right, Robert Callaghan, center, the inaugural 'Oc' Scholarship winner in 2019 with his family, left. Standing behind him, Mrs. Anne Gregory-O'Connell, who is Fordham's all-time leading women's basketball scorer; and her two sons James and Andrew.





WILLOW DUFFELL
ALL-MET FIRST TEAM
ALL-MAAC FIRST TEAM
MAAC CHAMPIONSHIP MVP
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All-Time Distinguished Service Award Winners

2021	<i>not awarded</i>	2011	Joel Blumberg, Tim Higgins, Bob Wolff	2001	Burt Beagle, Carol Blazejowski
2020	<i>not awarded</i>			2000	J.B. Buono, John "Doc" Johnson, Lou Rossini
2019	Dan Gavitt	2010	Gene Doris, Jim Haney	1999	Rich Ensor, Bill Steinman
2018	Joe Nesci, Kathy Meehan	2009	Mike Granelli, Steve Smith	1998	Mike Tranghese
2017	Jim Sheehan, Terry Wansart	2007	Tom Lopes, Chris Monasch, Larry Schiner	1997	Bernie Beglane, Bob Mulcahy
2016	Jim Burr, Gerald Oswald	2006	Nick Macarchuk, Dianne Nolan	1996	Pete Carril, Paul Munick, Jack Powers
2015	Linda Bruno, Jon Halpert	2005	Ray Amalbert, Cal Ramsey	1995	Bob Gesslein, Jack Kaiser, Paul Lizzo, Dan Quilty
2014	Joel Fisher, Frank McLaughlin, Dennis O'Donnell	2004	Bill Stein	1994	Ralph Arietta, Butch van Breda Kolff
2013	Bob Adams, John Paquette, Joe Quinlan	2003	Edgar Cartotto, Mickey Crowley, Brad Tracy		
2012	Bob Byrnes, Walt Hameline, Ray Rankis	2002	Jim Lennon, Richie Regan		



Clockwise from top left: Frank McLaughlin, right, with the Fordham contingent in 2014; 2018 winner Kathy Meehan with 2013 honoree John Paquette; Current Baruch head coach John Alesi with 2012 winner Ray Rankis; 2017 recipient Terry Wansart with the MBWA's Jeff Bernstein.



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**2020-21 CACC
CHAMPIONS**
NCAA PARTICIPANT

BILL DIENER
ALL-MET DIV. II
WOMEN'S COACH
OF THE YEAR



**KHAY'LA
LATIMER**
ALL-MET TEAM



TAYLOR TOMLINSON
ALL-MET DIVISION II
CO-PLAYER OF THE YEAR



**JALEN
BURGESS**
ALL-MET TEAM




All-Time Mike Cohen "Good Guy" Award Winners

- 2021 *not awarded*
- 2020 *not awarded*
- 2019 John Beisser, Wagner/Rutgers
- 2018 Brian Beyrer, Iona
- 2017 Roger Rubin, Sportswriter
- 2016 Zak Ivkovic, CUNYAC
- 2015 Chris Gonzales, Lehman
- 2014 Ed Ingles, Sportscaster
- 2013 Ken Taylor, MAAC
- 2012 Joe DiBari, Fordham
- 2011 Lenn Robbins, New York Post
- 2010 Bruce Beck, NBC Sports
- 2009 Tim Camp, St. Peter's/New Jersey Tech
- 2008 Joel Blumberg, MBWA
- 2007 *not awarded*
- 2006 Larry Torres, Madison Square Garden
- 2005 Jill Skotarczak, MAAC
- 2004 Jim O'Connell, Associated Press
- 2003 Jeff Bernstein, NYU
- 2002 Michael Graime, NJ Sports Authority
- 2001 Shawn Brennan, Iona/MAAC
- 2000 Tim Capstraw, Wagner/TV Commentator
- 1999 Christine Fallon, NIT
- 1998 Jon Halpert, Yeshiva
- 1997 Helen Strus, NJ Sports Authority
- 1996 John Wooding, Seton Hall
- 1995 Dave Siroty, Northeast Conference
- 1994 Josephine Traina, Madison Square Garden
- 1993 Nick Macarchuk, Fordham
- 1992 Lou Carnesecca, St. John's
- 1991 Chuck Stogel, MBWA
- 1990 Jay Williams, MAAC
- 1989 John Paquette, Seton Hall
- 1988 Dave Magarity, Marist
- 1987 P.J. Carlesimo, Seton Hall



MIKE COHEN
MBWA "Good Guy" award namesake



Mike Cohen was a revered figure in New York area sports in the 1970s and 80s. He served as Manhattan College's sports information director, and later as a sports consultant to Fordham University. Cohen was the PR director at Yonkers Raceway and then head of publicity at NBC Sports. Later, he operated his own public relations firm prior to his untimely passing in 1988 at the age of 44.

Cohen knew everyone, and everyone, famous or not, knew Mike. He was a hard worker, but he also believed that sports should be fun, and that the people involved in sports should get along. Even in the toughest of times.

Anyone involved in college basketball is eligible for this award... from coaches to players to administrators, sports information directors, even the media. The only criteria is that they --- male or female --- be a "Good Guy."



2010 Good Guy Bruce Beck, above, (with gavel), standing with Mike Cohen's three sons: Jason, Ross and Todd at the dinner. MBWA President Chuck Stogel, right, with 2017 recipient Roger Rubin.





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ALL-MET SECOND TEAM



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TO THE MAAC'S 2020-21 WOMEN'S ALL-MET HONOREES



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GIST

ALL-MET SECOND TEAM



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TO THE MAAC'S 2020-21 MEN'S ALL-MET HONOREES



GUIRANTES

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PLAYER
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YEAR!

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2021 Div. I Women's PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Arella Guirantes of Rutgers University has been named All-Met Division I women's college basketball Player of the Year for 2020-21 as announced by the Met Basketball Writers Association.

Guirantes represents the ninth player and 13th time a Scarlet Knight has been named Player of the Year since the Met Writers inaugurated women's awards in 1996. The last player from Rutgers so honored was Tyler Scaife in 2018.

A 5-11 senior guard from Bellport, NY, Guirantes — who was named to the All-Big Ten first team and an Associated Press All-America honorable mention — led the Scarlet Knights (14-5) and was third in the conference with 21.3 points per game (No. 17 in the nation).

Guirantes also posted an average of 6.0 rebounds, 5.2 assists, 2.2 steals and 1.8 blocks per game, the only player in the Big Ten to average in the top 5 in points, assists, steals and blocks. She shot 41.6% (137-320) from the field, 37.8% (31-82) from 3-point range and 86.8% (99-114) at the free throw line.

Guirantes recorded a triple-double (17 points, 10 rebounds, 11 assists) in a Dec. 23 homecourt victory over Manhattan, one of only 15 triple-doubles nationally this past season and just the third ever at Rutgers. In a 69-66 NCAA Tournament loss to BYU, she registered 30 points on 10-of-18 shooting.

Other former MBWA Players of the Year from Rutgers, in addition to Guirantes and Scaife: Epiphanny Prince, 2008; Kia Vaughn, 2007; Cappie Pondexter, 2003-04-05-06; Tasha Pointer, 1998 (co-winner) and 2001; Shawnetta Stewart, 1999-2000; Tomura Young, 1998 (co-winner).



ARELLA GUIRANTES



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ANNA DEWOLFE



WILLOW DUFFELL



ANDRA ESPINOZA-HUNTER



WOMEN'S DIV. I ALL-MET FIRST TEAM



ARELLA GUIRANTES



DIAMOND JOHNSON



LAUREN PARK-LANE



LOU LOPEZ-SENECHAL



JAKAYLA BROWN



DESIREE ELMORE



MAKAYLA FIREBAUGH



KENDELL HEREMAIA



WOMEN'S DIV. I ALL-MET SECOND TEAM



EMILIJAKRISTA GRAVA



INDIA PAGAN



TAIAH THORNTON





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ALL-MET COLLEGIATE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Arella Guirantes, Rutgers

See page 27 for full story.



MAGGIE DIXON MET COACH OF THE YEAR

Caroline McCombs, Stony Brook

McCombs, in her seventh season at the helm, guided the Seawolves (15-6, 11-3) to the America East playoff crown this past season and the program's first appearance in the NCAA Tournament. Stony Brook lost in the first round to eventual national championship runnerup Arizona.

The Seawolves under McCombs earned a reputation for defensive tenacity. Stony Brook held opponents in 2020-21 to an average of 52.4 points, fifth-best in the nation.

A native of Medina, OH, and 1998 graduate from Youngstown State, McCombs was named the AE conference coach of the year for 2019-20 when the Seawolves posted a 28-3 overall record. The winningest coach in Stony Brook's Division I history (130-76, .631 W-L pct.), McCombs was named head coach at George Washington on April 2.

The MBWA Maggie Dixon Coach of the Year award is named in memory of the former Army West Point head coach who died tragically in 2006 at age 28 following an arrhythmia heart episode. Dixon had a dynamic and emotional effect on West Point and the world of women's college basketball. She had a positive impact on everyone she came into contact with.



ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Diamond Johnson, Rutgers

Diamond Johnson of Rutgers University was named All-Met Rookie of the Year by the Met Basketball Writers Association. A 5-5 freshman guard from Philadelphia, she challenged Rutgers' all-time freshman scoring record with 17.4 points per game in 2020-21. The rookie also ranked second in the Big Ten (and 10th in the nation) with her .464 three-point shooting percentage, and fifth with 2.1 steals per game. Johnson earned second Team All-Big Ten by the coaches and media, and a unanimous selection to the Big Ten All-Freshman Team.


WOMEN'S ALL-MET FIRST TEAM • DIVISION I

Leilani Correa, St. John's	6-0, So., G	Manchester, NJ
Anna DeWolfe, Fordham	5-8, So., G	Cumberland, ME
Willow Duffell, Marist	6-2, Sr., F	Harriman, NY
Andra Espinoza-Hunter, Seton Hall	5-11, Gr., G/F	Ossining, NY
Arella Guirantes, Rutgers	5-11, Sr., G	Bellport, NY
Diamond Johnson, Rutgers	5-5, Fr., G	Philadelphia, PA
Lou Lopez-Senechal, Fairfield	6-1, Jr., F	Grenoble, France
Lauren Park-Lane, Seton Hall	5-6, So., G	Wilmington, DE

WOMEN'S ALL-MET SECOND TEAM • DIVISION I

JaKayla Brown, Hofstra	5-10, Jr., G	LaPlata, MD
Desiree Elmore, Seton Hall	5-10, Sr., F	Hartford, CT
Makayla Firebaugh, Rider	5-10, Fr., G	Winchester, VA
Kendell Heremaia, Fordham	5-9, Sr., G	Whangarei, New Zealand
Emilija Krista Grava, Wagner	6-0, Jr., F	Ligatne, Latvia
India Pagan, Stony Brook	6-1, Sr., F	New London, CT
Taiyah Thornton, Saint Peter's	5-5, Sr., G	Pennsauken, NJ





**SANDRO
MAMUKELASHVILI**
2021 HAGGERTY AWARD
MET PLAYER OF THE YEAR

**SETON HALL ATHLETICS CONGRATULATES
ITS 2021 MET WRITERS AWARD WINNERS!**



ANDRA ESPINOZA-HUNTER
ALL-MET FIRST TEAM



JARED RHODEN
ALL-MET FIRST TEAM



LAUREN PARK-LANE
ALL-MET FIRST TEAM



DESIREE ELMORE
ALL-MET
SECOND TEAM

2021 Div. I Men's PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Sandro Mamukelashvili of Seton Hall University was named winner of the Lt. Frank J. Haggerty Award, presented annually since 1936 to the area's Division I men's college Player of the Year by the Met Basketball Writers Association.

Mamukelashvili represents the 14th player and 15th time a Pirate has been named recipient of the Haggerty Award. This is the third season in a row and the fifth year in the past six that a player from Seton Hall has been named the Met area's best. SHU's Myles Powell won the award back-to-back in 2019 and 2020.

A 6-11 senior forward from Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia, Mamukelashvili also was named an Associated Press All-America honorable mention, the Big East player of the year and a unanimous choice on the all-conference first team, and to the NABC All-District 5 first team. He was an All-Met third team selection in 2020.

Starting all 27 games for the Pirates (14-13) this past season, Mamukelashvili led the team in scoring (17.5 ppg) and rebounding (7.6 rpg), along with averaging 3.2 assists and 1.1 steals. He was one of only two players in the Big East to rank in the conference's top-five in scoring and rebounding, and one of just two to rank in the top 15 in scoring, rebounding and assists.

Mamukelashvili produced seven double-doubles and 13 games scoring 20 points or more. He shot 43.4% (168-of-387) from the field and scored a single game career-high 32 points along with grabbing nine rebounds in a December win over Met rival St. John's.

Other former Haggerty Award winners from Seton Hall, in addition to Mamukelashvili and Powell: Walter Dukes, 1953; Nick Werkman, 1964; Nick Galis, 1979; Dan Callandrillo, 1982; Mark Bryant, 1988; John Morton, 1989; Terry Dehere, 1993; Arturas Karnishovas, 1994 (co-winner); Adrian Griffin, 1996; Andre Barrett, 2004 (co-winner); Isaiah Whitehead, 2016; Angel Delgado, 2017.



SANDRO MAMUKELASVILI





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SANDRO MAMUKELASHVILI



MEN'S DIV. I ALL-MET FIRST TEAM



ALEX MORALES



JALEN RAY



JARED RHODEN



ISAIAH ROSS



GEO BAKER



ASANTE GIST



DEION HAMMOND



MYLES JOHNSON



MEN'S DIV. I ALL-MET SECOND TEAM



ISAAC KANTE



KC NDEFO



ERAL PENN



JACOB YOUNG





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LT. FRANK J. HAGGERTY PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Sandro Mamukelashvili, Seton Hall

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PETER A. CARLESIMO COACH OF THE YEAR

Steve Pikiell, Rutgers

Steve Pikiell of Rutgers was selected as the MBWA Peter A. Carlesimo Coach of the Year for a second consecutive season and for the fourth time overall by the Met Basketball Writers Association.

In his fifth season at Rutgers and his 29th overall in college coaching, Pikiell's Scarlet Knights --- with a schedule ranked as eighth toughest in the nation --- finished 16-12 overall in 2020-21 and 10-10 in the Big Ten, their second straight season with double-digit wins in the conference. RU spent seven weeks ranked nationally in the Associated Press poll, peaking at No. 11. Rutgers earned an opening round bye in the Big Ten playoffs for the second year in a row and then advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1991. As a No. 10 seed, the Scarlet Knights won their first NCAA Tournament game since 1983 by defeating No. 7 Clemson 60-56 in the first round. Rutgers challenged but lost its second round matchup 63-60 to eventual Final Four qualifier Houston.

A native of Bristol, CT, Pikiell was a four-year letter winner and two-time team captain in basketball at UConn, from which he graduated in 1990 with a Bachelor's degree in finance. He previously was named All-Met Coach of the Year last season (20-11) with the Scarlet Knights, plus in 2010 and 2013 while at Stony Brook, and his four Coach of the Year designations are the most by any coach dating back in the MBWA records to 1981. His overall won-loss record in 16 seasons as a head coach is 272-233 (.539 pct).



ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Posh Alexander, St. John's

Posh Alexander becomes the 14th St. John's player since 1982 and the second in as many seasons to win the MBWA All-Met Rookie of the Year. In 2020-21, Alexander, a 6-0 point guard from Brooklyn, NY, exploded for the Red Storm, winning both Big East Freshman and Defensive Player of the Year honors. Alexander averaged 10.9 points, 4.3 assists and 3.4 rebounds per game, with his 4.3 helpers ranked sixth overall in the league. In addition to winning Big East Rookie of the Week four times, he lead the conference and ranking first nationally among freshmen with 2.6 steals per game.

MEN'S ALL-MET FIRST TEAM • DIVISION I

Posh Alexander, St. John's	6-0, Fr., G	Brooklyn, NY
Julian Champagnie, St. John's	6-8, So., G/F	Brooklyn, NY
Ron Harper Jr., Rutgers	6-6, Jr., G/F	Franklin Lakes, NJ
Sandro Mamukelashvili, Seton Hall	6-11, Sr., F	Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia
Alex Morales, Wagner	6-6, Sr., G	Paterson, NJ
Jalen Ray, Hofstra	6-2, Sr., G	Hampton, VA
Jared Rhoden, Seton Hall	6-6, Jr., F	Baldwin, NY
Isaiah Ross, Iona	6-3, Sr., G	Davenport, IA

MEN'S ALL-MET SECOND TEAM • DIVISION I

Geo Baker, Rutgers	6-4, Sr., G	Derry, NH
Asante Gist, Iona	5-10, Sr., G	East Orange, NJ
Deion Hammond, Monmouth	6-5, Sr., G	Mitchellville, MD
Myles Johnson, Rutgers	6-11, Jr., C	Long Beach, CA
Isaac Kante, Hofstra	6-7, Jr., F/C	Brooklyn, NY
KC Ndefo, Saint Peter's	6-7, Jr., F	Elmont, NY
Eral Penn, LIU	6-7, Jr., F	Brooklyn, NY
Jacob Young, Rutgers	6-2, Sr., G	Houston, TX



Bill Diener
Met Writers D2
WBB Coach of the
Year

Taylor Tomlinson
Met Writers
D2 Co-Player of
the Year

DaShanique Ruffin
Met Writers
D2 Co-Player of
the Year



CONGRATULATES



Paula Dits
All-Met D2 WBB



Marigona Bacaliv
All-Met D2 WBB



Khay'la Latimer
All-Met D2 WBB



Briana Lee
All-Met D2 WBB



Jalen Burgess
All-Met D2 MBB



Anthony Cooper
All-Met D2 MBB

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CO-PLAYER OF THE YEAR

DaShanique Ruffin, Bloomfield

DaShanique Ruffin of Bloomfield College was named All-Met Division II women's college basketball co-Player of the Year for 2020-21 by the MBWA.

A 6-1 sophomore forward from Paterson, NJ, Ruffin --- who also was named to the All-Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference team --- led the Bears (6-5) by averaging 14.9 points, 8.8 rebounds and in shooting 50.4% (64-of-127) from the field, while adding 1.2 steals and 1.5 blocks per game. She finished fourth in the CACC in points per game, third in rebounding average and third in field goal shooting percentage.



CO-PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Taylor Tomlinson, Dominican

Taylor Tomlinson of Dominican College was named All-Met Division II women's college basketball co-Player of the Year for 2020-21 by the MBWA.

A 6-1 sophomore forward from Paterson, NJ, Ruffin --- who also was named to the All-Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference team --- led the Bears (6-5) by averaging 14.9 points, 8.8 rebounds and in shooting 50.4% (64-of-127) from the field, while adding 1.2 steals and 1.5 blocks per game. She finished fourth in the CACC in points per game, third in rebounding average and third in field goal shooting percentage.



COACH OF THE YEAR

Bill Diener, Dominican

Bill Diener of Dominican was selected Division II Women's Coach of the Year. by the Met Basketball Writers Association.

In his 11th season at the helm, Diener guided the Chargers (12-2, 8-1) to a second-place finish in the CACC regular season and his first appearance at the helm in the conference championship game, en route to winning the CACC tournament title. Dominican won the conference playoffs with three consecutive dominant victories, defeating Felician 80-57, Nyack 83-60 and top-seeded Georgian Court 81-65.

After annexing the CACC laurels, the Chargers earned their second NCAA East Region tournament berth in program history, where they bowed out in a 77-73 double overtime loss to Roberts Wesleyan.

A former high school coach before joining Dominican, this is the first All-Met Coach of the Year honor for Diener. He lives in Nanuet, NY, with his wife, Doreen, and their three children.

WOMEN'S ALL-MET TEAM • DIVISION II

Paula Dits, Caldwell	6-1, Jr., G	Alicante, Spain
Alexa Huertas, St. Thomas Aquinas	5-6, Jr., G	Haverstraw, NY
Khay'la Latimer, Dominican	5-10, Jr., G	Teaneck, NJ
Briana Lee, Felician	5-9, So., G/F	Jersey City, NJ
Bacaliu Marigona, Concordia	5-8, So., G	Worcester, MA
DaShanique Ruffin, Bloomfield	6-1, So., F	Paterson, NJ
Taylor Tomlinson, Dominican	5-9, Jr., F	Middletown, NY



Women's Division II All-Met Teams • 2021



Men's Division II All-Met Teams • 2021





Men's Division II Awards • 2021



PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Grant Singleton, St. Thomas Aquinas

Grant Singleton of St. Thomas Aquinas has been named All-Met Division II men's college basketball Player of the Year for 2020-21 as announced Friday by the Met Basketball Writers Association.

A 6-0 junior guard from Sumter, SC, Singleton was a standout all-around star on a well-balanced Spartans (14-2) team that reached the NCAA Division II Sweet Sixteen stage. He was named an NABC All-American in addition to being selected to the NABC All-East first team, the All-East Coast Conference first team, the most outstanding player in the ECC tournament and to the NCAA East Regional All-Tournament team.

Singleton led STAC with 17.2 points per game (fourth in the ECC) and nailed 53.1% (104-of-196) of his shots from the field (eighth in the ECC), including 39.3% (35-of-89) from 3-point range. He averaged 3.9 rebounds, 2.9 assists and 1.6 steals. He was third in the ECC with 104 total field goals and third in the conference with 35 treys.



COACH OF THE YEAR

Tobin Anderson, St. Thomas Aquinas

Tobin Anderson of STAC was selected Division II Men's Coach of the Year for a fourth time by the MBWA.

Anderson, who also was selected the ECC coach of the year for a third time in his eighth season at the helm, guided the Spartans (14-2, 9-1 ECC) to their third NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearance under his tutelage. Along the way STAC provided him with his fourth ECC regular season banner, fifth ECC tournament title (in six seasons) and sixth NCAA tournament berth. St. Thomas Aquinas' scoring offense led the conference and was eighth-highest in Division II with 89.5 points per game and its scoring margin of 15 ppg also led the ECC and was No. 10 nationally. The Spartans finished the campaign ranked No. 12 nationally by the NABC, which also selected Anderson the NABC East coach of the year. St. Thomas Aquinas narrowly lost its Sweet Sixteen contest 71-70 to Daemen, the same team STAC had beaten 83-67 in the ECC tournament title game.

Anderson's career won-loss record at STAC is 181-57 for a .761 percentage. He previously was named MBWA Coach of the Year in three consecutive seasons, 2015-16-17. A 1995 Wesleyan grad, he resides in Pomona, NY, with his wife, Jodi, and their two children.



MEN'S ALL-MET TEAM • DIVISION III

Jalen Burgess, Dominican	6-4, Sr., F	Springfield Gardens, NY
Osbel Caraballo, St. Thomas Aquinas	6-5, Jr., F	Bolivar, Venezuela
Anthony Cooper, Caldwell	6-2, Jr., G	Ashburn, VA
James Montgomery, Molloy	6-7, So., F	East Rockaway, NY
Kerwin Prince, Mercy	6-6, Fr., F	Waterbury, CT
Demetre Roberts, St. Thomas Aquinas	5-8, Jr., G	Mount Vernon, NY
Grant Singleton, St. Thomas Aquinas	6-0, Jr., G	Sumter, SC



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PAT DEVANEY, SR.
D-III WOMEN'S COACH OF THE YEAR

DENZEL BANKS
D-III MEN'S ALL-MET

DAYJAH ANDERSON
D-III WOMEN'S ALL-MET



DAMARIS RODRIGUEZ
*D-III WOMEN'S
PLAYER OF THE YEAR*

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Women's Division III Awards • 2021



PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Damaris Rodriguez, New Jersey City

Damaris Rodriguez of New Jersey City University has become the first freshman ever selected All-Met Division III women's college basketball Player of the Year by the Met Basketball Writers Association.

A 5-3 freshman guard from Secaucus, NJ, Rodriguez --- who also was named to the All-New Jersey Athletic Conference first team and the NJAC rookie of the year --- led the conference champion Gothic Knights (9-2) with 17.4 points per game (fourth in the NJAC) along with averaging 5.3 assists (second in the conference, 20th in the nation) and 2.6 steals (also second in the NJAC).

Rodriguez started and scored in double figures in all 11 NJCU games, shooting 40.9% from the floor (70-171), including 43.1% from 3-point range (25-58). Among all freshmen, she was sixth in the nation in scoring average and third in steals per game. She scored 23-plus points three times, including registering 26 points in the Gothic Knights NJAC semifinal victory over The College of New Jersey.



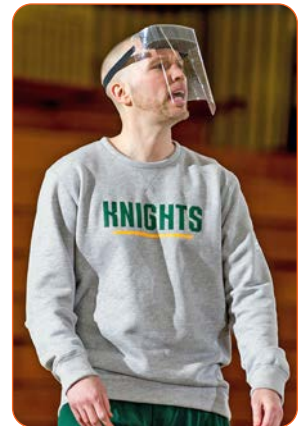
COACH OF THE YEAR

Pat Devaney, New Jersey City

Pat Devaney of New Jersey City University was selected Coach of the Year by the Met Basketball Writers Association for 2020-21.

Devaney, who also was named NJAC Coach of the Year, took over a program that went 0-21 in 2017-18 and guided NJCU (9-2 overall, 6-2 NJAC) to its first conference title in the school's 51-year women's basketball history. The third-seeded Gothic Knights won three games in the NJAC playoffs, defeating William Paterson, No. 2 seeded TCNJ and, in the championship game, No. 1 seeded Montclair State 64-60.

A 2012 NJCU grad, Devaney, 36, resides in Bayonne, NJ, with his wife, Kelly, and their two young sons.



WOMEN'S ALL-MET TEAM • DIVISION III

Dayjah Anderson, New Jersey City	5-8, Sr., F	East Orange, NJ
Taylor Brown, Montclair State	5-11, Sr., G	Trumbull, CT
Sekya Campbell, Drew	5-8, Jr., G	Sicklerville, NJ
Samiyah Horton, Rutgers-Newark	5-7, So., G	Newark, NJ
Shannon McCoy, Kean	5-10, Jr., G	Barneгат, NJ
Joey Meyers, Drew	5-10, So., G	Brookside, NJ
Damaris Rodriguez, New Jersey City	5-3, Fr., G	Secaucus, NJ



Women's Division III All-Met Teams • 2021

						
DAYJAH ANDERSON NJCU	TAYLOR BROWN MONTCLAIR ST.	SEKYA CAMPBELL DREW	SAMIYAH HORTON RUTGERS-NEWARK	SHANNON McCOY KEAN	JOEY MEYERS DREW	DAMARIS RODRIGUEZ NJCU



Men's Division III All-Met Teams • 2021

						
DENZEL BANKS NJCU	EITAN HALPERT YESHIVA	GABRIEL LEIFER YESHIVA	HOWARD McBURNIE DREW	YVENS MONFLEURY WPU	LYBRANT ROBINSON NJCU	RYAN TURELL YESHIVA





Men's Division III Awards • 2021



PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Ryan Turell, Yeshiva

Ryan Turell of Yeshiva University was selected as the All-Met Division III men's college basketball Player of the Year for the second consecutive season by the Met Basketball Writers Association.

A 6-7 junior guard from Los Angeles, CA, Turell --- who was named to the All-Met First Team last season in addition to being honored as MBWA Player of the Year --- led the Maccabees (7-0) this past season with 26.0 points per game (No. 5 in the nation), was second on the team in averaging 8.3 rebounds, and added 3.0 assists, 1.4 steals and 1.1 blocks per game.

Three times this past season Turell scored at least 30 points, including a 36-point, 13-rebound outburst in a Yeshiva victory over Manhattanville. Overall he scored at least 20 points in six of YU's reduced schedule of seven games. He shot 51.2% from the floor (66-of-129), including 42.1% from 3-point range (16-of-38).

In addition to capturing the All-Met Player of the Year accolade in 2019-20, Turell was named the Skyline Conference Player of the Year. This season the Skyline did not issue All-Conference honors.



COACH OF THE YEAR

Elliot Steinmetz, Yeshiva

Elliot Steinmetz of YU also repeated by being named Coach of the Year by the Met Basketball Writers Association for a second straight occasion

A 2002 Yeshiva grad and former player, Steinmetz guided the undefeated Maccabees to a No 3 final national ranking in Division III. After losing the first game of its 2019-20 season, YU reeled off 29 straight victories and has now reached 36 consecutive triumphs, tied for the second-longest winning streak in Division III history.

Steinmetz, now in his seventh season coaching at Yeshiva, was named Skyline coach of the year in 2019-20 when the Maccabees won both the conference regular season and tournament titles, and then won two NCAA tournament games to reach the Sweet Sixteen stage before the postseason was canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic. This season the Skyline did not conduct a tournament and did not name a Coach of the Year.



MEN'S ALL-MET TEAM • DIVISION III

Denzel Banks, New Jersey City	6-2, Sr., G	Newark, NJ
Eitan Halpert, Yeshiva	5-11, Sr., G	Los Angeles, CA
Gabriel Leifer, Yeshiva	6-6, Sr., F	Lawrence, NY
Howard McBurnie, Jr., Drew	6-6, So., F	Sayreville, NJ
Yves Monfleury, William Paterson	6-6, So., F	Newark, NJ
Lybrant Robinson, Drew	6-5, Sr., G	Manchester, NJ
Ryan Turell, Yeshiva	6-7, Jr., G	Los Angeles, CA





History of the Haggerty Award

The Lt. Frank J. Haggerty Award is given to the All-Metropolitan New York Division I Men's College Basketball Player of the Year, presented by the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) and the Met Basketball Writers Association (MBWA). First presented in 1936, it is arguably the oldest and most prestigious award given to a metropolitan area player.

The award was named for Frank J. Haggerty, the first graduate of both Chaminade High School and St. John's University to die in military service during World War II. A shortstop as well as a basketball player, Haggerty was in the Army Air Force, as a pursuit pilot when his plane crashed over the Catawba River in North Carolina 1942.

As of 2020, the award has been earned by players from 15 Division I schools. St. John's University has the most at 27, almost twice the 15 awards received by players from number two Seton Hall University. The NIT/MBWA Collegiate Awards Dinner, which is now the Haggerty Awards Dinner was held at Mama Leone's Restaurant in Manhattan's Theater District for over twenty years until 1984. Then from 1985 through 2009, the annual event was held at the Giants Stadium Club in East Rutherford, NJ. Since 2010, the Haggertys moved to the Westchester Marriott in Tarrytown, NY.

Three players won the award three times: Jim McMillian from Columbia University (1968-1970), Chris Mullin of St. John's (1983-1985) and Charles Jenkins of Hofstra (2009-2011). McMillian would go on to win the 1972 NBA Championship with the Los Angeles Lakers; Mullin went on to win two Olympic gold medals (1984, 1992) with Team USA, was a five-time NBA All-Star and was elected to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in 2011; and Jenkins has starred in the NBA and Europe.

Seven players have been awarded the honor twice, including Naismith Hall of Famer Dick McGuire, who won in 1944 and again after military service in 1949. The most recent winner Myles Powell became the latest two-time winner with back to-back awards in 2019 and 2020. The Haggerty has also had co-winners four times and been given to a freshman twice in its 81-year history.



SETON HALL's MYLES POWELL

Powell on the podium in 2019 at the 86th Annual Haggerty awards dinner.

Haggerty Award Winners by School

School	Winners • Years
ST. JOHN'S	27 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1949, 1952, 1959, 1961, 1962, 1967, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1998, 1999, 2002, 2014, 2015, 2018
SETON HALL	15 1953, 1964, 1979, 1982, 1988, 1989, 1993, 1994, 1996, 2004, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2020, 2021
HOFSTRA	7 1956, 1977, 2000, 2001, 2009, 2010, 2011
LIU	7 1936, 1937, 1939, 1950, 1966, 1995, 1997
IONA	6 1965, 1980, 1981, 1984, 2012, 2013
NYU *	6 1940, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1960, 1963
COLUMBIA	5 1951, 1957, 1968, 1969, 1970
FORDHAM	5 1954, 1955, 1958, 1971, 1972
MANHATTAN	4 1972, 1974, 2003, 2004
RUTGERS	3 1975, 1976, 2006
MARIST	2 1994, 2007
ARMY WEST POINT	1 1987
CCNY *	1 1938
RIDER	1 2008
SAINT PETER'S	1 2005

Co-winners were named in: 1972, 1984, 1987, 1994, 2004

* School no longer competes at the Division I level.





Men's Division I Award History

PETER A. CARLESIMO

Men's Div. I Coaches of the Year

- 2021 Steve Pikiell, Rutgers
- 2020 Steve Pikiell, Rutgers
- 2019 Joe Mihalich, Hofstra (co-winners)
Kevin Willard, Seton Hall(co-winners)
- 2018 Tim Cluess, Iona
- 2017 Kevin Willard, Seton Hall
- 2016 Kevin Willard, Seton Hall
- 2015 Glenn Braica, St. Francis (co-winners)
Jim Engles, NJIT (co-winners)
- 2014 Steve Masiello, Manhattan
- 2013 Steve Pikiell, Stony Brook
- 2012 Danny Hurley, Wagner (co-winners)
Steve Masiello, Manhattan (co-winners)
- 2011 Jim Ferry, LIU
- 2010 Steve Pikiell, Stony Brook
- 2009 Tom Pecora, Hofstra
- 2008 Tommy Dempsey, Rider
- 2007 Matt Brady, Marist
- 2006 Tom Pecora, Hofstra
- 2005 Tom Green, Fairleigh Dickinson
- 2004 Bobby Gonzalez, Manhattan
- 2003 Bobby Gonzalez, Manhattan
- 2002 Gary Waters, Rutgers
- 2001 Jay Wright, Hofstra
- 2000 Tommy Amaker, Seton Hall
- 1999 Mike Jarvis, St. John's
- 1998 Tim Welsh, Iona
- 1997 Ray Haskins, LIU
- 1996 Tim Welsh, Iona
- 1995 Fran Frascilla, Manhattan
- 1994 Kevin Bannon, Rider
- 1993 Brian Mahoney, St. John's
- 1992 Steve Lappas, Manhattan
- 1991 Ted Fiore, St. Peter's
- 1990 Nick Macarchuk, Fordham
- 1989 P.J. Carlesimo, Seton Hall
- 1988 P.J. Carlesimo, Seton Hall
- 1987 Ted Fiore, Saint Peter's
- 1986 Lou Carnesecca, St. John's
- 1985 Lou Carnesecca, St. John's
- 1984 Bob Dukiet, St. Peter's (co-winners)
Pat Kennedy, Iona (co-winners)
- 1983 Lou Carnesecca, St. John's
- 1982 Bob Dukiet, St. Peter's
- 1981 Tom Penders, Fordham



STEVE PIKIELL
RUTGERS, 2020, 2021

PETER A. CARLESIMO

All-Met Men's Div. I Coach of the Year namesake

A long-time coach and athletic administrator, Peter Carlesimo was a particularly dear friend of the Met Basketball Writers. He served as a coach and administrator at Scranton University before moving on to his alma mater, Fordham, as athletic director (1968-



78). After considerable accomplishments at both those schools, he became the executive director (1978-88) of the National Invitation Tournament. He was instrumental in launching the preseason NIT, which has added so much vitality along with an exciting event to the world of college basketball.

For years, Peter Carlesimo attended these awards dinners, and often served as a keynote speaker. A native of Newark, NJ, he died in 2003 at the age of 87.



Men's & Women's Division I Rookies of the Year

All-Time Division I Men's Rookies of the Year

- 2021 Posh Alexander, St. John's
- 2020 Julian Champagnie, St. John's
- 2019 Nick Honor, Fordham
- 2018 Geo Baker, Rutgers
- 2017 Shamorie Ponds, St. John's
- 2016 Joseph Chartouny, Fordham
- 2015 Angel Delgado, Seton Hall (co-winners)
Eric Paschall, Fordham (co-winners)
- 2014 Jon Severe, Fordham
- 2013 JaKarr Sampson, St. John's
- 2012 Moe Harkless, St. John's
- 2011 Jason Brickman, LIU
- 2010 Chris Gaston, Fordham
- 2009 Mike Rosario, Rutgers
- 2008 Charles Jenkins, Hofstra
- 2007 Eugene Harvey, Seton Hall
- 2006 J.R. Inman, Rutgers
- 2005 Bryant Dunston, Fordham
- 2004 Quincy Douby, Rutgers
- 2003 Keydren Clark, St. Peter's
- 2002 Marcus Hatten, St. John's
- 2001 Eddie Griffin, Seton Hall
- 2000 Darius Lane, Seton Hall
- 1999 Erick Barkley, St. John's
- 1998 Ron Artest, St. John's
- 1997 Shaheen Holloway, Seton Hall
- 1996 Geoff Billet, Rutgers
- 1995 Felipe Lopez, St. John's
- 1994 Charles Smith, Rider,
- 1993 John Giraldo, Monmouth
- 1992 Miladin Mutavdzic, Wagner
- 1991 Jerry Walker, Seton Hall
- 1990 Terry Dehere, Seton Hall
- 1989 Malik Sealy, St. John's
- 1988 Derrick Canada, Army West Point (co-winners)
Michael Porter, St. John's (co-winners)
- 1987 Dean Borges, Wagner
- 1986 Joe Paterno, Fordham
- 1985 Walter Berry, St. John's
- 1984 Kevin Houston, Army West Point (co-winners)
Mark Jackson, St. John's (co-winners)
- 1983 Andre McCloud, Seton Hall
- 1982 Chris Mullin, St. John's
- 1981 Gary Springer, Iona



**JULIAN
CHAMPAGNIE**
ST. JOHN'S
2020



**ABBEY
HSU**
COLUMBIA
2020

All-Time Division I Women's Rookies of the Year

- 2021 Diamond Johnson, Rutgers
- 2020 Abbey Hsu, Columbia
- 2019 Sienna Durr, Columbia
- 2018 Bre Cavanaugh, Fordham
- 2017 Rebekah Hand, Marist
- 2016 Ogechi Anyagaligbo, Stony Brook
- 2015 Ashunae Durant, Hofstra
- 2014 Tyler Scaife, Rutgers
- 2013 Aliyyah Handford, St. John's
- 2012 Damika Martinez, Iona



Women's Division I Award History

MAGGIE DIXON Women's Division I Coaches of the Year

- 2021 Caroline McCombs, Stony Brook
- 2020 Lynn Milligan, Rider
- 2019 Stephanie Gaitley, Fordham
- 2018 Stephanie Gaitley, Fordham
- 2017 Lynn Milligan, Rider
- 2016 Dave Magarity, Army West Point
- 2015 Anthony Bozzella, Seton Hall
- 2014 Beth O'Boyle, Stony Brook
- 2013 Stephanie Gaitley, Fordham
- 2012 Kim Barnes Arico, St. John's
- 2011 Brian Giorgis, Marist
- 2010 Kim Barnes Arico, St. John's
- 2009 Brian Giorgis, Marist
- 2008 Brian Giorgis, Marist (co-winners)
C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers (co-winners)
- 2007 Dave Magarity, Army West Point
- 2006 Kim Barnes Arico, St. John's (co-winners)
C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers (co-winners)
- 2005 C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers
- 2004 Brian Giorgis, Marist
- 2003 Sal Buscaglia, Manhattan
- 2002 Mike Granelli, Saint Peter's
- 2001 Dianne Nolan, Fairfield
- 2000 C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers
- 1999 C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers
- 1998 C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers
- 1997 Mike Granelli, St. Peter's
- 1996 Mike Granelli, St. Peter's



LYNN MILLIGAN
RIDER, 2020

MAGGIE DIXON

All-Met Women's Div. I Coach of the Year namesake

A native of North Hollywood, Calif., Dixon graduated in 1999 from the University of San Diego. She was an assistant coach at DePaul before coming to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point as head coach. She died on April 6, 2006, at age 28, following an arrhythmia heart episode.



In her one season (2005-06) at Army, Dixon guided the Black Knights to a 20-11 record, the team's first 20-win season since 1990-91; the first Patriot League Conference tournament championship; and the school's first berth in the NCAA Women's Tournament.

Dixon had a dynamic and emotional effect on West Point and the world of women's college basketball in such a short time.



Women's Division II Award History



RUTH ADAMS, ST. THOMAS AQUINAS &
LEONIE EDRINGER, ADELPHI, 2020



MISSY TRAVERSI,
ADELPHI,
2020

All-Time Division II Women's Players of the Year

- 2021 DaShanique Ruffin, Bloomfield (co-winners)
Taylor Tomlinson, Dominican (co-winners)
- 2020 Ruth Adams, St. Thomas Aquinas (co-winners)
Leonie Edringer, Adelphi (co-winners)
- 2019 Sasha Patterson, LIU-Post
- 2018 Jenna Erickson, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2017 Madison Rowland, Queens
- 2016 Dina Ragab, NYIT
- 2015 Emily Caswell, Caldwell (co-winners)
Madison Rowland, Queens (co-winners)
- 2014 Jeanette Anderson, Caldwell
- 2013 Danielle Wilson, Dowling
- 2012 Brittany Shields, Pace
- 2011 Janea Aiken, LIU-Post
- 2010 Kymira Woodberry, Molloy
- 2009 Jennifer DiChiara, Queens (co-winners)
Amanda Bartlett, Queens (co-winners)
- 2008 Kymira Woodberry, Molloy
- 2007 Gianna Smith, Adelphi
- 2006 Carlyshia Hurdle, Adelphi
- 2005 Shonda Holder, Queens
- 2004 Zulmary Andino, Dowling
- 2003 Tysell Bozeman, Felician
- 2002 Wanda Maynard-Morris, Pace
- 2001 Alexis Seeley, Adelphi
- 2000 Rita Breivaite, LIU-Southampton
- 1999 Rita Breivaite, LIU-Southampton
- 1998 Molly Baker, Pace
- 1997 *not awarded*
- 1996 Kendra Koneski, Adelphi

All-Time Division II Women's Coaches of the Year

- 2021 Bill Diener, Dominican
- 2020 Missy Traversi, Adelphi
- 2019 Kim Lusk, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2018 Kim Lusk, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2017 Elizabeth Naumovski, Queens
- 2016 Anthony Crocitto, NYIT
- 2015 Heather Jacobs, Adelphi
- 2014 Deirdre Moore, LIU-Post
- 2013 Joe Pellicane, Dowling
- 2012 Anthony Crocitto, NYIT
- 2011 Kim Lusk, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2010 Carrie Seymour, Pace (co-winners)
Tim O'Hagan, Molloy (co-winners)
- 2009 Tom Flahive, Queens
- 2008 John Burke, Dominican
- 2007 Carrie Seymour, Pace
- 2006 Carrie Seymour, Pace
- 2005 Cassie Arroyo, LIU-Southampton
- 2004 Kelly Watts, Adelphi
- 2003 Mike McManus, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2002 Kim Barnes Arico, Adelphi
- 2001 Carrie Seymour, Pace (co-winners)
Patrice Walker, LIU-Post (co-winners)
- 2000 Carrie Seymour, Pace
- 1999 Tony Bozell, LIU-Southampton
- 1998 Mike McManus, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1997 *not awarded*
- 1996 Carrie Seymour, Pace



Men's Division II Award History

All-Time Division II Men's Players of the Year

- 2021 Grant Singleton, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2020 Peyton Wejnert, Pace
- 2019 Kavione Green, Bloomfield
- 2018 Justin Reyes, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2017 Justin Reyes, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2016 Justin Reyes, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2015 Darian Hooker, NYIT
- 2014 John Petrucelli, Molloy
- 2013 Tobin Carberry, LIU-Post (co-winners)
Leon Porter, Dominican (co-winners)
- 2012 Stefan Bonneau, LIU-Post
- 2011 Gage Daye, Bloomfield
- 2010 Gage Daye, Bloomfield
- 2009 Jon Schmidt, LIU-Post
- 2008 Jon Schmidt, LIU-Post
- 2007 Bradd Wierzbicki, Queens
- 2006 Andre Dabney, Bloomfield
- 2005 John Sikiric, Queens
- 2004 Demond Cowins, NJIT
- 2003 Wayne Nelson, Adelphi
- 2002 Ed Williams, Adelphi
- 2001 Ryan McCormack, Adelphi
- 2000 BJ McFarlan, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1999 Chris Bernard, Adelphi (co-winners)
Todd Ziogas, Pace (co-winners)
- 1998 Brian Tonkovich, Caldwell
- 1997 Larry Jones, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1996 Perry Herbert, Adelphi
- 1995 Bobby Cunningham, NYIT
- 1994 Ryan Oliver, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1993 Delano Chandler, LIU-Post
- 1992 Bert Brisbane, Pace
- 1991 Willard Mack, LIU-Post
- 1990 Curtis Middleton, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1989 Ed Walker, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1988 Curtis Washington, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1987 Mike Hammond, LIU-Post
- 1986 Morris Brown, NYIT
- 1985 Glen McMillan, LIU-Post
- 1984 Mike Henderson, LIU-Post

All-Time Division II Men's Coaches of the Year

- 2021 Tobin Anderson, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2020 Joe Clinton, Dominican
- 2019 Charles Marquardt, Molloy
- 2018 Gerald Holmes, Bloomfield
- 2017 Tobin Anderson, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2016 Tobin Anderson, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2015 Tobin Anderson, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 2014 Steve Hayn, Dowling
- 2013 Joe Clinton, Dominican
- 2012 Chris Casey, LIU-Post
- 2011 Gerald Holmes, Bloomfield
- 2010 David DeFerrari, Felician
- 2009 Tim Cluess, LIU-Post
- 2008 Tim Cluess, LIU-Post
- 2007 Sal Lagano, NYIT
- 2006 James Cosgrove, Adelphi
- 2005 Gerald Holmes, Bloomfield (co-winners)
James Cosgrove, Adelphi (co-winners)
- 2004 Sal Lagano, NYIT
- 2003 Tom Galeazzi, C.W. Post (LIU-Post)
- 2002 Jim Ferry, Adelphi
- 2001 Jim Ferry, Adelphi
- 2000 Jim Ferry, Adelphi
- 1999 Jim Harter, Pace
- 1998 Mark Corino, Caldwell
- 1997 Steve Clifford, Adelphi (co-winners)
Dennis O'Donnell, STAC (co-winners)
- 1996 Joe Clinton, Dominican
- 1995 Jim O'Connor, Adelphi
- 1994 Dennis O'Donnell, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1993 Jim O'Connor, Adelphi
- 1992 Darrell Halloran, Pace
- 1991 Tom Galeazzi, LIU-Post
- 1990 Darrell Halloran, Pace
- 1989 Steve Kelly, Dominican
- 1988 Dave Possinger, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1987 Dave Possinger, St. Thomas Aquinas
- 1986 Tom Galeazzi, LIU-Post (co-winners)
Dave Possinger, STAC (co-winners)
- 1985 Tom Galeazzi, C.W. Post (LIU)
- 1984 Dave Possinger, St. Thomas Aquinas



Women's Division III Award History



JANEAN CUFFEE
NYU, 2020



MEG BARBER
NYU, 2020

All-Time Division III Women's Players of the Year

- 2021 Damaris Rodriguez, New Jersey City
- 2020 Janean Cuffee, NYU
- 2019 Jade Aponte, Hunter
- 2018 Katie Sire, Montclair State
- 2017 Katie Sire, Montclair State
- 2016 Kaitlyn Astel, Stevens
- 2015 Melissa Tobie, Montclair State
- 2014 Melissa Tobie, Montclair State
- 2013 Floriana Borova, William Paterson
- 2012 April Smith, William Paterson
- 2011 Tiffany Patrick, Kean
- 2010 Kimberley Blakney, Farmingdale
- 2009 Jessica McEntee, NYU
- 2008 Melissa Beyruti, Kean
- 2007 Jessica McEntee, NYU
- 2006 Chiresse Paradise, Baruch
- 2005 Rachel Wojdowski, NYU
- 2004 Rachel Wojdowski, NYU
- 2003 Oneisha Staples, Mount St. Mary
- 2002 Chanel Kendall, Lehman
- 2001 Rashida Allen, NYU
- 2000 Meg Renna, William Paterson
- 1999 Jehan Clark, NYU
- 1998 Marsha Harris, NYU
- 1997 Marsha Harris, NYU
- 1996 Marsha Harris, NYU

All-Time Division III Women's Coaches of the Year

- 2021 Pat Devaney, New Jersey City
- 2020 Meg Barber, NYU
- 2019 Matt Dempsey, U.S. Merchant Marine
- 2018 Alex Lang, Brooklyn
- 2017 Karin Harvey, Montclair State
- 2016 Karin Harvey, Montclair State (co-winners)
Megan Haughey, Stevens (co-winners)
- 2015 Kevin Clifford, Mt. St. Vincent (co-winners)
Karin Harvey, Montclair State (co-winners)
- 2014 Marc Mitchell, FDU-Florham
- 2013 Karin Harvey, Montclair State
- 2012 Erin Monahan William Paterson
- 2011 Jimmy Barrett, Polytechnic
- 2010 Michele Sharp, Kean
- 2009 Stefano Trompeo, NYU
- 2008 Michele Sharp, Kean
- 2007 Janice Quinn, NYU
- 2006 Machli Joseph, Baruch
- 2005 Randy Ognibene, Mount St. Mary
- 2004 Janice Quinn, NYU
- 2003 Jackee Meadow, Hunter
- 2002 Michele Sharp, Kean
- 2001 Janice Quinn, NYU
- 2000 Erin Monahan, William Paterson
- 1999 Janice Quinn, NYU
- 1998 Erin Monahan, William Paterson
- 1997 Janice Quinn, NYU
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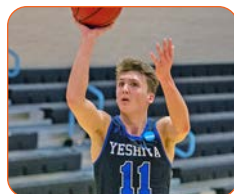




Men's Division III Award History

All-Time Division III Men's Coaches of the Year

- 2021 Ryan Turell, Yeshiva
- 2020 Ryan Turell, Yeshiva
- 2019 Sam Toney, New Jersey City
- 2018 Chimaechi Ekekeugbor, Baruch (co-winners)
Sam Toney, New Jersey City (co-winners)
- 2017 Thomas Bonacum, Ramapo
Frank Schettino, Staten Island
- 2016 Will Fonseca, Staten Island
- 2015 Will Fonseca, Staten Island
- 2014 Javae King-Gilchrist, William Paterson
- 2013 A.J. Matthews, Farmingdale
- 2012 A.J. Matthews, Farmingdale
- 2011 Jonathan Jones, Kean
- 2010 Marcel Esonwune, York
- 2009 Richard Jean-Baptiste, Brooklyn (co-winners)
Damien Santana, Farmingdale (co-winners)
- 2008 Richard Jean-Baptiste, Brooklyn
- 2007 Ahmad Mobsy, Ramapo
- 2006 Gian Paul Gonzalez, Montclair State
- 2005 Amin Wright, Ramapo
- 2004 Samar Battle, New Jersey City
- 2003 Charles Ransom, Ramapo
- 2002 David Paul, Staten Island
- 2001 Horace Jenkins, William Paterson
- 2000 Horace Jenkins, William Paterson
- 1999 Sean Bradley, USMMA
- 1998 Sean Bradley, USMMA
- 1997 Ira Nicholson, Mount St. Vincent
- 1996 Clarence Pierce, NJIT
- 1995 Clarence Pierce, NJIT
- 1994 Shawn McCartney, Hunter
- 1993 Jose Rodriguez, Hunter
- 1992 Jose Rodriguez, Hunter (co-winners)
Fred Drains, Kean (co-winners)
- 1991 Herman Alston, Kean
- 1990 Kevin D'Arcy, USMMA
- 1989 Rob Roesch, Staten Island
- 1988 Rob Roesch, Staten Island
- 1987 Johnny Mayers, New Jersey City (co-winners)
Terry Tarpey, NYU (co-winners)
- 1986 Steve Wilder, New Jersey City
- 1985 Robert McNamee, USMMA
- 1984 Mark Ward, Manhattanville
- 1983 James Wilson, John Jay
- 1982 Fred Oglesby, Pace
- 1981 Gary Carter, Monmouth



RYAN TURELL & ELLIOT STEINMETZ, YESHIVA, 2020, 2021

All-Time Division III Men's Coaches of the Year

- 2021 Elliot Steinmetz, Yeshiva
- 2020 Elliot Steinmetz, Yeshiva
- 2019 Marc Brown, New Jersey City
- 2018 Chuck McBreen, Ramapo
- 2017 Chuck McBreen, Ramapo
- 2016 Rich Micallef, Brooklyn
- 2015 John Alesi, Baruch
- 2014 Jeff Charney, Purchase
- 2013 Marc Brown, New Jersey City
- 2012 Jose Rebimbas, William Paterson
- 2011 Bob Campbell, Western Connecticut (co-winners)
Chuck McBreen, Ramapo (co-winners)
- 2010 Jeff Charney, Purchase
Jose Rebimbas, William Paterson
- 2009 Ray Rankis, Baruch
- 2008 Erik Smiles, Farmingdale
- 2007 Joe Nesci, NYU
- 2006 Jose Rebimbas, William Paterson
- 2005 Chuck McBreen, Ramapo
- 2004 Charles Brown, New Jersey City
- 2003 Chuck McBreen, Ramapo
- 2002 Bob Campbell, Western Connecticut
- 2001 Bill Lange, USMMA
- 2000 Joe Maniaci, St. Joseph's-Long Island
- 1999 Jose Rebimbas, William Paterson
- 1998 Mike Brown, Hunter
- 1997 Ron St. John, York
- 1996 Chuck Mancuso, Mount St. Vincent
- 1995 Jim Catalano, NJIT
- 1994 Joe Nesci, NYU
- 1993 Ray Amalbert, Hunter (co-winners)
Joe Nesci, NYU (co-winners)
- 1992 Charles Brown, New Jersey City (co-winners)
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- 1991 Todd Meyer, Ramapo
- 1990 Charles Brown, New Jersey City (co-winners)
Bob Campbell, Western Connecticut (co-winners)



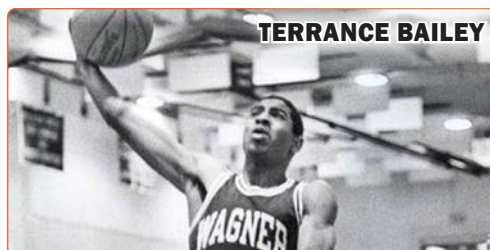
Men's All-Time Met Area 2,000 Point Scorers



KEYDREN CLARK

1.	Keydren Clark, Saint Peter's	2002-06	3,058
2.	Terrance Bailey Wagner	1983-87	2,591
3.	Mike Hoyt, Mount St. Mary	2003-07	2,586
4.	Steve Burt, Iona	1980-84	2,534
5.	Gage Daye, Bloomfield	2008-11	2,518
6.	Charles Jenkins, Hofstra	2007-11	2,513
7.	Terry Dehere Seton Hall	1989-93	2,494
8.	Herman Alston, Kean	1987-91	2,457
9.	Chris Mullin, St. John's	1981-85	2,440
10.	Keith Bennett, Sacred Heart	1979-83	2,431
11.	Charles Jones, Rutgers / LIU	1993-98	2,428
12.	Malik Sealy, St. John's	1988-92	2,402
13.	Phil Sellers, Rutgers	1972-76	2,399
14.	Dan Bailey, Nyack	1980-84	2,379
15.	Andre Dabney, Bloomfield	2004-07	2,350
16.	Justin Wright-Foreman, Hofstra	2015-19	2,327
17.	Kevin Houston, Army-West Point	1983-87	2,325
18.	Hector Olivencia, Sacred Heart	1974-78	2,317
19.	Gary Winton, Army-West Point	1974-78	2,296
20.	Brett Wyatt, NJCU	1975-79	2,292
21.	Jermaine Hall, Wagner	1999-03	2,278
22.	Antoine Agudio, Hofstra	2004-08	2,276
23.	Nick Werkman, Seton Hall	1961-64	2,273
24.	Amby Quilez, St. Thomas Aquinas	1980-84	2,264
25.	Myles Powell, Seton Hall	2016-20	2,252
26.	Justin Reyes, St. Thomas Aquinas	2014-18	2,247
27.	Tony Trimboli, Sacred Heart	1973-77	2,234
28.	Steve Nisenson, Hofstra	1962-65	2,222
29.	Darrick Suber, Rider	1990-93	2,219
30.	Rich Pucciarello, Sacred Heart	1966-70	2,212
31.	Carl Winfree, Sacred Heart	1973-77	2,196
32.	Shawn McCartney, Hunter	1991-95	2,184
33.	James Carter, St. Thomas Aquinas	1982-86	2,183

34.	D'Angelo Harrison, St. John's	2011-15	2,178
35.	Bob McNamee, USMMA	1980-85	2,162
36.	Luis Flores, Rutgers/Manhattan	2001-04	2,160
37.	Damon Lynn, NJIT	2013-17	2,153
37.	Roger Younger, Sacred Heart	1982-86	2,153
39.	Loren Stokes, Hofstra	2003-07	2,148
40.	Jeremy Hazell, Seton Hall	2007-11	2,146
41.	Jameel Warney, Stony Brook	2012-16	2,132
42.	Chavaughn Lewis, Marist	2011-15	2,119
43.	Robert Davis, Mercy	1982-86	2,118
44.	Rich Laurel, Hofstra	1973-77	2,102
45.	Shane Gibson, Sacred Heart	2009-13	2,079
46.	Steve Smith, Marist	1979-83	2,077
47.	Ed Czernota, Sacred Heart	1969-72	2,075
48.	Shawn Bradley, USMMA	1995-99	2,070
49.	Greg Tynes, Seton Hall	1974-78	2,059
50.	Jerry Johnson, Rider	2002-05	2,047
51.	Bill Thieben, Hofstra	1953-56	2,045
	Bob Lloyd, Rutgers	1964-67	2,045
53.	Jason Thompson, Rider	2005-08	2,040
54.	Steve Burt, Iona	2002-06	2,034
	James Bailey, Rutgers	1975-79	2,034
56.	Nick Corbett, Molloy	2016-20	2,032
	Mark Lueking, Army-West Point	1992-96	2,032
58.	Raiquan Clark, LIU	2015-20	2,030
	Dennis Lynam, St. Thomas Aquinas	1974-78	2,030
60.	Brian Donohue, Mercy	1974-77	2,028
	Clarence Pierce, NJIT	1992-96	2,028
62.	Craig "Speedy" Claxton, Hofstra	1996-00	2,015
63.	Richard Byrd, Adelphi	2007-11	2,013
64.	John Petrucelli, Molloy	2010-14	2,011
	Del Harrison, NJCU	1986-90	2,011
66.	Tony Judkins, Sacred Heart	1985-89	2,009
67.	Tony George, Fairfield	1982-86	2,006
68.	Charles Ransom, Ramapo	1999-04	2,005
69.	A.J. English, Iona	2012-16	2,004
70.	Justin Robinson, Monmouth	2013-17	2,003
71.	Kyle Wilson, Army-West Point	2012-16	2,001
72.	Chimaechi Ekekeugbor, Baruch	2014-18	2,000



TERRANCE BAILEY





Women's All-Time Met Area 2,000 Point Scorers

1. Carol Blazejowski, Montclair State	1974-78	3,199	29. Amanda Pape, Sacred Heart	2003-07	2,045
2. Sue Wicks, Rutgers	1984-88	2,655	30. Ashley Palmer, LIU	2009-12	2,044
3. Damika Martinez, Iona	2011-15	2,581	31. Melissa Tobie, Montclair State	2011-15	2,041
4. Kelsey Minato, Army	2012-16	2,556	32. Rashida Aikens, Nyack	1995-99	2,036
5. Anne Gregory, Fordham	1976-80	2,548	32. Margaret Rost-DiStaso, STAC	1984-88	2,030
6. Danielle Ciresi, Caldwell	1987-91	2,491	33. Tonya Grant, St. Peter's	1986-90	2,020
7. Rachele Fitz, Marist	2006-10	2,447	34. Janice Reeves, FDU	1979-83	2,016
8. Jeanine Radice, Fordham	1985-89	2,417			
9. Sheila Tighe, Manhattan	1980-84	2,412			
10. Madison Rowland, Queens	2013-17	2,375			
11. Theresa Carey, Manhattanville	1978-82	2,306			
12. Lauren Cargill, CCNY	1999-03	2,272			
13. Tyler Sciafe, Rutgers	2014-18	2,233			
14. Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers	2002-06	2,211			
15. Simone Edwards, FDU-Florham	1989-93	2,205			
16. Michele White, Stony Brook	1983-87	2,183			
17. Christina Pasaturo, Staten Isl.	2014-18	2,170			
18. Stella Johnson, Rider	2016-20	2,167			
19. Marajiah Bacon, Kean / NJCU	2015-19	2,161			
20. Marsha Harris, NYU	1994-98	2,140			
21. Jennifer DiMaggio-Ryan, Pace	1984-88	2,125			
22. Shante Evans, Hofstra	2009-13	2,116			
23. Sally Nnamani, Lehman	2005-09	2,113			
24. Jasmine Nwajei, Wagner	2013-16	2,076			
Rebecca Segert, USMMA	2000-04	2,076			
26. Aliyyah Handford, St. John's	2012-16	2,058			
27. Patrice Walker, LIU-Post	1977-81	2,051			
28. Michelle Jones, WM. Paterson	1987-91	2,048			



CAROL BLAZEJOWSKI



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Women's Players of the Year by School

<u>School</u>	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Years</u>
RUTGERS	13	1998 [^] , 1998 [^] , 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2018, 2021
ST. JOHN'S	3	2010, 2012, 2013
MARIST	1	2009, 2011
SETON HALL	2	1997, 2015
ARMY WEST POINT	1	2016
COLUMBIA	1	2017
FORDHAM	1	2019
IONA	1	2014
MANHATTAN	1	1996 #
RIDER	1	2020
SAINT PETER'S	1	2002

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