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While LIU Brooklyn Attempts to “Soar For Four,” Wagner Comes Out on Top of 2013-14 NEC Men’s Basketball Preseason Poll

Somerset, NJ -- LIU Brooklyn made history a year ago, becoming the first team in the 32-year history of the Northeast Conference (NEC) to “three-peat” as men’s basketball champion. With a chance to go one step further and make it four straight titles, the Blackbirds will not lack worthy challengers this season, most notably local rival Wagner, which was picked by NEC head coaches to capture the 2013-14 crown.

The announcement of the annual preseason poll was made Tuesday morning during NEC Basketball “Social” Media Day at Barclays Center in Brooklyn. Wagner, which claimed seven first place votes, won its lone NEC championship back in 2003.

Robert Morris and Bryant, both of whom qualified for the postseason a year ago, finished tied for second in the preseason rankings with the Colonials earning two first place nods. LIU Brooklyn was chosen fourth, and was awarded one first place vote. Following the Blackbirds, coaches slotted Central Connecticut fifth and 2013 NEC Tournament runner-up Mount St. Mary’s sixth. St. Francis Brooklyn, Sacred Heart, Saint Francis U and Fairleigh Dickinson occupied spots seven through ten.

2013-14 NEC Men’s Basketball Preseason Coaches Poll

1. Wagner (7)
2. Robert Morris (2)
Bryant
4. LIU Brooklyn (1)
5. Central Connecticut
6. Mount St. Mary’s
7. St. Francis Brooklyn
8. Sacred Heart
9. Saint Francis U
10. Fairleigh Dickinson

First place votes in parentheses

Conducted annually, NEC coaches correctly forecast the eventual league champion the last two seasons after missing the mark 12 straight times from 2000 to 2011. Over the last 26 years, the coaches have proven inaccurate on 22 occasions or 85 percent of the time (see chart at end of release).

Wagner (19-12, 12-6 NEC)

Last picked as the NEC favorite 21 years ago, Wagner’s size, depth and loaded backcourt could make for a March to remember on Grymes Hill. The Seahawks have knocked on the door the last two years, winning 44 games in that span, but saw their season end abruptly both times with a pair of NEC semifinal exits.

The nation’s youngest head coach at 29 years of age, **Bashir Mason** enters his second year at the helm of the Seahawks with plenty of weapons, including three starters and nine upperclassmen back in the fold. Senior point guard **Kenneth Ortiz (Newark, NJ/Science Park (Southern Mississippi))** will remain the focal point of Mason’s plans on both ends of the floor. The two-time NEC Defensive Player of the Year is as good as it gets as an on-the-ball defender, and his ability to distribute and get to the line on the offensive end made him a deserving pick to the All-NEC third team a year ago. Ortiz averaged 11.8 ppg, ranked third in the NEC with 5.8 assists and went to the charity stripe a team-best 157 times as a junior. Classmate **Latif Rivers (Elizabeth, NJ/Elizabeth (Avon Old Farms (CT)))** battled injuries all last year, but the former All-NEC two-guard still

managed to contribute 13.0 ppg and drain a team-high 41 three-pointers. He enters his senior year fourth on the NEC active scoring list with 1,128 career points. Junior guard **Marcus Burton (Charlotte, NC/David W. Butler)** has proven to be a capable backup to Ortiz, and performed well when called upon to start. Last season he lifted his scoring average from 3.5 ppg to 8.6 ppg and sported a 2-to-1 assist-to-turnover ratio. After sitting a year, Michigan State transfer **Dwaun Anderson (Suttons Bay, MI/Suttons Bay (Michigan State))** got off to a slow start, but the 6'4" high-flying sophomore wing began finding his groove in February, and could be headed for a breakout season. Throw in sharpshooting Valpo transfer **Jay Harris (Aurora, IL/Oswego East (Valparaiso))**, and you have arguably the deepest NEC backcourt in recent memory.

Wagner led the NEC in field goal percentage defense (.409) by a wide margin last season, due in part to the inside presence of 6'11" **Naofall Folahan (Cotonou, Republic of Benin/Wilbraham and Monson Academy (MA))**, 6'7" **Mario Moody (East Orange, NJ/East Orange Campus)** and 6'8" **Orlando Parker (Orlando, FL/Orlando Christian Prep)**. Folahan ranked second in the NEC with 1.5 blocks per game, while Moody finished fourth (1.3) and Parker eleventh (0.7). Moody, a junior, is an above-the-rim finisher who averaged 6.9 ppg and 5.3 rpg in 2012-13. Parker (5.5 ppg) and Folahan (3.0 ppg) are seniors who along with Moody, will be expected to raise their offensive contributions to help combat the loss of All-NEC forward Jonathon Williams to graduation.

Bryant (19-12, 12-6 NEC)

It was a plot twist like no other in the 32-year history of the Northeast Conference. Picked to finish ninth in the league following a two-win season in 2011-12, the Bulldogs came out roaring in non-conference play - highlighted by a stunning win at Boston College - and maintained the momentum during the conference portion of its schedule. The landmark campaign ended with a CBI appearance in the programs's first year of postseason eligibility following a five-year reclassification. Bryant's 17-win improvement went down as one of the greatest turnarounds in NCAA history.

With many of the key figures responsible for the turnaround back this season, sixth year head coach **Tim O'Shea** has already positioned the Bulldogs as a championship contender. Preseason All-NEC forward **Alex Francis (Harlem, NY/Holderness Prep (NH))** is an unstoppable force in the paint who finished in the conference top-five in scoring (17.4, fifth), rebounding (8.6, third), field goal percentage (.569, third) and double-doubles (10, second). The All-NEC first teamer is the league's leading active scorer with 1,490 points and ranks second among returnees with 728 boards. He has plenty of support in fellow preseason All-NEC pick **Dyami Starks (Duluth, MN/Duluth East)**, a junior guard. A lights out shooter, he led the Bulldogs and ranked fourth in the NEC with 17.7 ppg a year ago to garner second team All-NEC honors. Starks paced the circuit with 95 three-pointers and 3.1 shots from downtown per game, while shooting an efficient 40.8 percent from outside the arc. Under-rated senior guard **Corey Maynard (Adelaide, Australia/Sacred Heart College)** does it all (9.3 ppg, 3.5 apg, 37 3PTG) and sixth-man extraordinaire **Joe O'Shea (Burlington, VT/Burlington)** (8.3 ppg), a 6'4" junior swingman, could work his way into the starting lineup for a potent Bulldog offense that averaged nearly 80 points per game in league play.

Robert Morris (24-11, 14-4 NEC)

And the beat goes for **Andrew Toole** and Robert Morris. Since the start of the 2007-08 season, the Colonials have compiled a 141-67 (.678) record and made five postseason appearances in six years. The 141 wins is tied with Davidson for eighth among mid-major programs over that stretch, and a record for an NEC school in a six-year span. Last season, RMU won its 10th NEC regular season championship before being surprised at home in the NEC semifinals by Mount St. Mary's. The Colonials quickly regrouped, and just ten days later, captivated the college basketball world by beating Kentucky in a first round Postseason NIT matchup before a record crowd at the Sewall Center.

As Toole and his troops set out to capture the program's eight NEC title, they will do so without Velton Jones, the heart, soul and face of the program the last four years. With Jones and fellow 1,000-point scorer Russell Johnson lost to graduation, and the transfer of starting off-guard Coron Williams, the Colonials will look to incorporate seven new faces into the mix this season. On the flip side, RMU brings back a number of veteran players, including senior guards **Karvel Anderson (Elkart, IN/Glen Oaks CC)** and **Anthony Myers-Pate (Washington, D.C./Charis Prep)**. Despite playing much of the conference season with an injured shooting hand, Anderson was can't miss most nights with seemingly unlimited range on his shot and a flair for the dramatic in the clutch. He led RMU's balanced scoring attack with 12.5 ppg, and ranked second in the NEC in three-point percentage (.439) and sixth in made trifectas (2.5/game). Myers-Pate (5.9 ppg, 2.8 apg), a prototypical tough-as-nails RMU player, will likely take over for Jones at the point. Well rounded junior swingman **Lucky Jones (Newark, NJ/St. Anthony)** is coming off a year that saw him earn third team All-NEC honors. Jones does a little bit of everything for Toole, as he led the

Colonials in rebounding (6.0), and ranked second in scoring (11.6) and third in three-pointers (44). He also went to the line a team-high 152 times, converting at an 82.2 percent clip. Senior forward **Mike McFadden (Newark, NJ/Technology (Iona))** (8.5 ppg, 3.5 rpg) came up huge in the win over UK and possesses one of the most refined post games in the conference.

LIU Brooklyn (20-14, 12-6 NEC)

After making history last year by becoming the first NEC program to win three consecutive tournament crowns, what's next for LIU Brooklyn? **Jack Perri's** likely answer would be, "Why settle at three?" After celebrating the first two championships as an assistant, Perri made a seamless transition to head coach last year, and pushed all the right buttons down the stretch as the high-scoring, run-and-gun Blackbirds celebrated with the NEC trophy on their own home court for the third year running. And while it's never easy to recapture the chemistry and magic from a previous season, LIU has an inordinate number of hurdles to overcome in its quest to "Soar for Four."

Future LIU Hall of Famer and 2012-13 NEC Player of the Year Jamal Olasewere, along with 2013 NEC Tournament MVP CJ Garner were lost to graduation. 2011-12 NEC Player of the Year **Julian Boyd (San Antonio, TX/William H. Taft)**, who suffered a season-ending knee injury last December, was granted a sixth-year of eligibility, but the graduate student reinjured the knee in the offseason and is out until at least January. Luckily for Perri, he returns floor general **Jason Brickman (San Antonio, TX/Clark)** for his senior season. With unparalleled court vision and an exceptionally high basketball I.Q., the two-time All-NEC second teamer commands the floor, setting up teammates at a dizzying pace. Brickman led the nation with 8.5 assists per game last season and with 719 dimes, is just 86 shy of passing NEC all-time leader Drafton Davis of Marist. He also paced the NEC in three-point accuracy (.462), ranked seventh in free throw percentage (.798) and averaged 9.5 ppg a year ago. Sophomore forward **E.J. Reed (Mesquite, TX/Mesquite)** figures to be a favorite target of Brickman, having earned NEC All-Rookie recognition a year ago. The inside-outside threat averaged 7.7 ppg and shot better than 50 percent from the floor. Junior guard **Gerrell Martin (Bronx, NY/Wings Academy)** (3.7 ppg) displayed promise last season and possesses a refined mid-range game, while redshirt junior swingman **Troy Joseph (Toronto, Ontario/Pickering)** (3.2 ppg) came back after missing the 2011-12 season with an injury to provide valuable minutes off the bench for the Blackbirds. One of seven newcomers, look for Iona transfer **Gilbert Parga (Los Angeles, CA/Citrus College)** to challenge for a starting spot in the backcourt.

Central Connecticut (13-17, 9-9 NEC)

One of the enduring icons in NEC hoops annals, CCSU's **Howie Dickenman** has been to the mountaintop three times in his tenure in New Britain, and all signs point to another run at the top of the standings for the Blue Devils. Dickenman, now in his 18th year at the helm of the program, has restocked the talent pool, and with some added size and depth, it could be argued that this year's version of the Blue Devils is beginning to resemble to some of CCSU's stellar teams of the past two decades.

There may not be a better one-two punch in the NEC than **Kyle Vinales (Detroit, MI/Phelps School)** and **Matt Hunter (Detroit, MI/Henry Ford (Odessa JC))**, two old friends from Detroit. Vinales, a junior combo guard with undeniable confidence and a penchant for making big shots, can flat out score for anywhere and everywhere on the court. A year ago, he led the NEC and ranked eighth nationally with 21.6 ppg, including five 30+ point scoring efforts. The first team All-NEC pick also finished fourth in the league in made three-pointers (2.6/game) and fifth in free throw percentage (.804) last season, while leading the conference in court time with over 38 minutes per game. Hunter exploded onto the scene with a 40-point barrage at Indiana last December, and proved to be a terrific all-around talent. He averaged 15.7 ppg, a team-best 7.8 rpg and led the NEC with 2.6 spg. Junior **Malcolm McMillan (Baltimore, MD/John Carroll)** just keeps getting better at the point, and last season averaged 8.2 ppg while leading the NEC with a 2.52 assist-to-turnover ratio. Bruising sophomore forward **Brandon Peel (Forestville, MD/Riverdale Baptist)** (4.4 ppg, 5.5 rpg) may be primed for a next level year after earning All-NEC Rookie plaudits a year ago and senior **Terrell Allen (Virginia Beach, VA/Cape Henry)** (6.2 ppg, 3.9 rpg) is an experienced hand in a frontcourt that will include three newcomers measuring 6'7" or taller.

Mount St. Mary's (18-14, 11-7 NEC)

If there was a hashtag of the year in NEC men's hoops last season, it had to be #Mayhem. Former Mount player **Jamion Christian** infused new life into the program upon his arrival as head coach, installing a frenzied, yet well choreographed up-and-down system on both ends of the court which proved to be fan friendly, and ultimately, a winning formula. Following a rough start to league play, the Mountaineers won nine of their last ten to close out the regular season, then upset top-seeded Robert Morris to reach the NEC title game for the first time since 2009.

Christian returns a number of the central figures that made Mount Mayhem so successful last year, most notably a trio of talented guards in seniors **Julian Norfleet (Virginia Beach, VA/Landstown)**, **Rashad Whack (Hyattsville, MD/Bishop McNamara)** and **Sam Prescott (Philadelphia, PA/Imhotep Charter (Marist))**. Norfleet has filled so many roles for the Mount in his three years, it is difficult to keep track. From spot-up shooter, to combo guard to manning the point last season, Norfleet has cornered the market on versatility. The 1,000-point scorer contributed 10.8 ppg last season, drained 57 shots from outside the arc and also led the team with 3.2 apg. His 186 career three pointers is most among returning NEC players. The entire Mayhem concept seems to revolve around Whack's skill set at off guard. Setting the tone defensively, he creates havoc within the Mount's full court pressure and ranked second in the NEC with 2.1 steals per contest. He also excels in transition and can light it up from outside. Whack canned 82 three-pointers in 2012-13 to finish fifth on the circuit with 2.6 per outing. Prescott will always be remembered for his 44-point outburst against Bryant last season that saw him finish with 10 three-pointers, one shy of the NEC single-game record. He finished second on the club with 11.8 ppg, led the Mount with 4.2 rpg and made 61 shots from downtown. Sturdy 6'9" senior **Kristijan Krajina (Osijek, Croatia/Blue Ridge School (VA))** (5.9 ppg) has a nice touch around the hoop, and 7-footer **Taylor Danaher (Fredericksburg, VA/Fredericksburg Christian School)** showed flashes of potential as a freshman, especially with his pick-and-pop mid-range shot. Christian, who prefers a deep bench to fully execute his 40 minutes of "Mayhem" approach, will look to incorporate five freshman into the mix this season.

St. Francis Brooklyn (12-18, 8-10 NEC)

With a player the caliber of **Jalen Cannon (Allentown, PA/William Allen)** to build around, it's hard not to like St. Francis Brooklyn's chances to move up the NEC ladder this season and next. A second team All-NEC honoree last season, the rugged 6'6 junior forward brings a combination of toughness and athleticism that not only makes him a near impossible matchup, but also gives the Terriers an identity. Now in his fourth year, **Glenn Braica** heads into the 2013-14 campaign with Cannon and three other key returnees by his side, as St. Francis looks to reach the potential it showed last year in wins over NEC regular season champion Robert Morris and second place Wagner (twice).

Cannon's numbers speak for itself. The preseason All-NEC selection ranked second in the league with 8.8 rebounds per game and 10 double-doubles. He boosted his scoring from 8.0 ppg as a freshman to 14.7 ppg last season to rank ninth in the NEC. Cannon also shot 55.6 percent from the field, the fifth-best mark in the conference. Junior forward **Kevin Douglas (Bronx, NY/Frederick Douglass Academy)** was enjoying a breakout year in 2012-13 when he tore a ligament in his hand in early January and missed nearly two months of action. The wiry 6'5" wing averaged 7.4 ppg, 3.4 rpg and displayed a nice touch from three-point territory. When it comes to long distance bombing, senior guard **Ben Mockford (Shoreham-by-Sea, England/Oak Hill Academy (VA) (Iona))** takes a back seat to no one in the NEC. He sank 82 treys last season, bringing his two-year total to 165 which ranks second among active NEC players. Mockford, who averaged 11.1 ppg, ranked third in the league in made three pointers and ninth in accuracy (.398). Cat-quick junior **Brent Jones (Brooklyn, NY/Bedford Academy)** started 28 games at point guard last season, and ended the year sixth in the NEC with 4.2 apg.

Sacred Heart (9-20, 7-11 NEC)

Sacred Heart is certainly feeling the winds of change following the retirement of Dave Bike - a fixture as head coach the last 35 years - and the departure of NEC all-time great Shane Gibson and his 2,000+ career points. On the other hand, the Pioneers ensured continuity within the program by elevating longtime assistant **Anthony Latina** to head coach, who hopes the return of two key players sidelined last year with injuries will help offset the loss of Gibson and his automatic 20 points a night.

The most prominent returnee for Latina is 6'5" senior forward **Louis Montes (Brockton, MA/Brockton)**, who enjoyed a terrific 2012-13 season and is on the fast track to stardom. Montes can do it all, and his workrate on the floor makes him a challenging matchup from night to night. He finished his junior year with 14.4 ppg, a team-high 6.2 rpg and 47.9 percent shooting accuracy from the field. Junior **Phil Gaetano (Wallingford, CT/Sheehan (Choate Rosemary))** seemingly came out of nowhere last season to run the point with poise and creativity, and ended the year ranked second nationally in assists with 7.9 per game. Another surprise was the emergence of junior guard **Steve Glowiak (New Britain, CT/New Britain)** as a reliable spot-up shooter. Glowiak more than doubled his scoring output from his freshman year and ended the season third on the Pioneers with 10.4 ppg. He also hit 61 three-pointers. Back in the fold this season are versatile junior guards **Evan Kelley (Norwalk, CT/Norwalk)** and **Chris Evans (Stamford, CT/Stamford (Taft))**. Evans missed the entire 2012-13 campaign and Kelley only played twice last season after both suffered knee injuries. Now back healthy, the Pioneers appear to be loaded in the backcourt. Evans averaged 8.1 ppg and Kelley 7.3 ppg back in 2011-12. **Tevin Falzon (Newton, MA/Newton North (Winchendon School))**, an athletic 6'7" forward who averaged 5.2 ppg, was also effective in stretches for SHU as a freshman last season.

Saint Francis U (5-24, 5-13 NEC)

Entering his second year as Saint Francis U head coach, **Rob Krimmel** has assembled the building blocks for a hoops resurgence in Loretto. Still young - while there are nine returnees on this year's roster, none are seniors - the Red Flash began to turn the corner late last season, winning three of their final six games. During that final stretch, a bevy of underclassmen raised their level of play, which bodes well for the future of the program.

Following a breakthrough performance that turned heads in early January, junior forward **Earl Brown (Philadelphia, PA/Imhotep Charter)** was off-and-running en-route to NEC Most Improved Player honors. Brown exploded onto the scene with a 16-point, 25-rebound effort in a win over CCSU, coming one board shy of the NEC single-game mark. He reeled off seven straight double-doubles that month and finished the season with 10.1 ppg and 8.1 rpg. The Philly native ranked fifth in the league in rebounding and his ten double-doubles tied him for second in the conference. Another player primed for a big year is sophomore guard **Ben Millaud-Meunier (Montreal, Quebec/Vanier)**, who earned NEC All-Rookie honors after coming on strong in the second half of conference play. A lights out shooter, Millaud-Meunier shot a scorching 47.6 percent from three-point range and ended the year third on the Red Flash in scoring at 9.3 ppg despite playing just 17 minutes per contest. Sophomore forwards **Stephon Mosley (West Orange, NJ/Seton Hall Prep)** and **Ronnie Drinnon (Jamestown, OH/Greenvview)** were both key contributors as freshman. Mosley was a two-time NEC Rookie of the Week who averaged 8.3 ppg and 4.6 rpg, while Drinnon chipped in 4.8 ppg, 3.3 rpg and shot a robust 58.6 percent from the floor. Junior guards **Ollie Jackson (Dallas, TX/Pinkston)** (7.9 ppg, 43 3PFG) and **Dominique Major (Woodbridge, VA/Forest Park)** (6.4 ppg, team-high 49 3PFG) can stroke it from long distance, and sophomore **Greg Brown (Odenton, MD/Archbishop Spalding)** (4.5 ppg, 2.2 apg) earned 15 starts at the point during the 2012-13 campaign.

Fairleigh Dickinson (7-24, 2-16 NEC)

Spend just a few minutes with new Fairleigh Dickinson head coach **Greg Herenda**, and what becomes readily apparent is his enthusiasm and fervor to return the Knights to the top of the NEC standings. With just five players back in the fold, Herenda has a chance to put his own stamp on the program right from the outset with seven new faces set to suit up this season.

A pair of returning starters in the backcourt could help ease the transition for the first year head coach. Junior guard **Mustafaa Jones (Philadelphia, PA/Neumann Goretti (Hartford))** was FDU's top perimeter threat a year ago, hitting a team-best 43 shots from three-point territory. Running the point, senior **Sidney Sanders Jr. (Charleston, SC/Burke)** sported nearly a 2-to-1 assist-to-turnover ratio and paced the Knights in assists with 3.2 per game. Senior forward **Mathias Seilund (Dragoer, Denmark/Falkonergaardens Gymnasium)**, who can fill it up from the outside, is FDU's leading returning scorer (5.9 ppg, 41.3 3PFG%), while 6'6" sophomore forward **Xavier Harris (Philadelphia, PA/Constitution (The Peddie School))** (4.1 ppg, 3.3 rpg) showed promise as an interior option as a freshman. Look for 6'6" **Myles Mann (Atlanta, GA/Westlake)**, a redshirt freshman who sat out last season with a knee injury, to make an impact for the Knights, who added some size in the offseason with the addition of 6'9" Niagara transfer **Scooter Gillette (Philadelphia, PA/Neumann Goretti (Niagara))** and 6'9" freshman **Mike Owona (Baltimore, MD/The John Carroll School)**.

NEC Preseason Coaches Poll History (last 26 years)

Year	Preseason Favorite (actual regular season finish)	NEC Tournament Champion (preseason selection)
2012-13	LIU Brooklyn (3rd)	LIU Brooklyn (1st)
2011-12	LIU Brooklyn (1st)	LIU Brooklyn (1st)
2010-11	Quinnipiac (2nd)	LIU Brooklyn (3rd)
2009-10	Mount St. Mary's (3rd)	Robert Morris (tie 3rd)
2008-09	Mount St. Mary's (tie 2nd)	Robert Morris (3rd)
2007-08	Sacred Heart (3rd)	Mount St. Mary's (4th)
2006-07	Monmouth (tie 8th)	CCSU (tie 4th)
2005-06	Fairleigh Dickinson (1st)	Monmouth (2nd)
2004-05	Monmouth (1st)	Fairleigh Dickinson (2nd)
2003-04	Quinnipiac (10th)	Monmouth (3rd)
2002-03	CCSU (3rd)	Wagner (2nd)
2001-02	Monmouth (4th)	CCSU (4th)
2000-01	CCSU (tie 5th)	CCSU (3rd)
1999-00	Mount St. Mary's (tie 7th)	CCSU (3rd)
1998-99	Mount St. Mary's (tie 5th)	Mount St. Mary's (1st)
1997-98	LIU Brooklyn (1st)	Fairleigh Dickinson (2nd)
1996-97	Monmouth (3rd)	LIU Brooklyn (4th)
1995-96	Monmouth/Rider (tie 2nd/4th)	Monmouth (tie 1st)
1994-95	Rider (1st)	Mount St. Mary's (3rd)
1993-94	Fairleigh Dickinson (tie 5th)	Rider (3rd)
1992-93	Wagner (2nd)	Rider (3rd)
1991-92	Monmouth (tie 2nd)	Robert Morris (2nd)
1990-91	Monmouth (4th)	Saint Francis U (3rd)
1989-90	Fairleigh Dickinson (6th)	Robert Morris (3rd)
1988-89	Monmouth (3rd)	Robert Morris (5th)
1987-88	*Marist (tie 1st)	Fairleigh Dickinson (2nd)

* Marist was ineligible for the NEC Tournament in 1987-88

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