

MARYLAND

DISTRICT



2013 AWARDS BANQUET

November 10, 2013

Sports For All, Forever!

God's Blessings and Congratulations

To

Maryland AAU!

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Welcome to the 2013 Maryland District AAU Awards Banquet Ceremony!



Thank You for joining us today as we recognize the wonderful achievements of our organization and its members!

As we wind down another year of exciting Maryland District Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) activities, I appreciate the hard work, dedication and support all of you continue to demonstrate. You are truly awesome!

The Maryland District AAU is an established organization and continues to be a top competitor. AAU programs challenge our athletes to improve their sports skills, build life skills and achieve their fullest potential. Our programs inspire, motivate and guide our athletes, and are designed to build character.

AAU activities teach athletes the finer points and basic fundamentals of each sport, and they also instill the confidence our athletes need in other areas of their lives. They teach the importance of setting goals, encourage team work, leadership and good sportsmanship.

AAU Athlete Awardees are talented, competitively spirited and dedicated to taking their games to the next level. These athletes may have fallen, but they get back up; lose but don't accept defeat. They are here today because they refuse to fail. They inspire us. They are a tremendous source of strength, inspiration, commitment and determination, and they wholeheartedly deserve today's recognition.

Yet, we also recognize the fact that these athletes would not be successful without the help, support, guidance and encouragement of their coaches, volunteers, family and friends.

On behalf of the Maryland District AAU Executive Committee, I congratulate all of the Coaches, Volunteers and Athletes in the Maryland District who have distinguished themselves in AAU competitions during 2013. May we always remember the individual triumphs and great moments we shared this year. I hope that you all take with you fond memories, new friends and many important life experiences gained from participating in AAU Sports programs.

I sincerely hope that everyone enjoys today's celebration!

Ben DuBose, Maryland District Governor
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FOREVER!

Program

Welcome	Ms. Sheryl Nelson - Baltimore City Community College
Introduction of the Master of Ceremonies	Mr. Rick Perry - Retired, Morgan State University
Introduction: Executive Officers, Sports Directors, Banquet Committee and Special Guests	Mr. Lamont Germany - Master of Ceremonies
Invocation	Tanya Rush - Associate Vice President, Student Affairs, Morgan State University
Dinner & MD AAU "Year In Review"	
Keynote Speaker	Mr. Charles "Choo" Smith - CEO, Choo Smith Youth Enterprise, LLC
Awards—Baseball	Carolyn Thompson, Larry Monroe - Sports Directors, Baseball
Awards - Jump Rope	Jim McCleary - Sports Director, Jump Rope
Awards - Swimming	Rev. Antoinette DuBose - Sports Director, Swimming, Beverly Vincent - Assistant
Awards - Governor's and Special Awards	Ben DuBose - MD AAU Governor
Awards - Boys Basketball	Ben DuBose - Sports Director, Boys Basketball, Tracey Estep - Commissioner
John Considine Award	Larry Monroe - 1st Lieutenant Governor
Awards - Girls Basketball	Carolyn Leach - Sports Director, Girls Basketball
Awards - Golf	McCarroll Nole - Sports Director, Golf
Awards - Track and Field	Felix Rogers - Sports Director, Track & Field
Awards - Football	Herb Estep - Sports Director, Football
Melvin Parker Awards	McCarroll Nole - 3rd Lieutenant Governor
Volunteer of Year Award	Floyd Kerr - Director of Athletics, Morgan State University
Drawings	Eric Brown - Treasurer
Remarks	Honorable Maryland State Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden, Honorable Carl Stokes - Baltimore City Council, 12th District
Closing Remarks / End	Ben DuBose

Master of Ceremonies

Lamont Germany

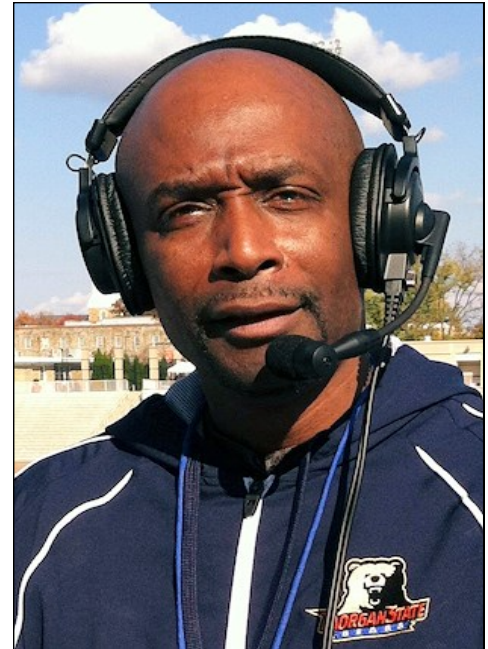
Sports Anchor, XM-Satellite Radio, Co-Founder Heritage Sports Radio Network

Lamont Germany is a 30 year veteran of the broadcast industry, who has enjoyed a varied and comprehensive multi-media career on the local, regional and national level. His career path has afforded an opportunity to experience the full broadcast gamut.

The Morgan State University graduate ('80), was born in Pittsburgh, PA and was bitten by the radio bug practically at birth. His father, Albert Germany (Al Gee) was a popular Dee-Jay in Pittsburgh, and later in Washington, D.C. and New York.

Germany grew up wanting to follow in his father footsteps, and got his first broadcast opportunity while a student at Morgan State University. Under the guidance of News Director Larry Dean and Program Director Kweisi Mfume, Germany interned in the newsroom at Morgan State University owned and operated WEAA-FM.

As a student reporter, he covered the gamut; politics, crime, arts, entertainment, and sports. His experience at WEAA served as the foundation for his career after graduation.



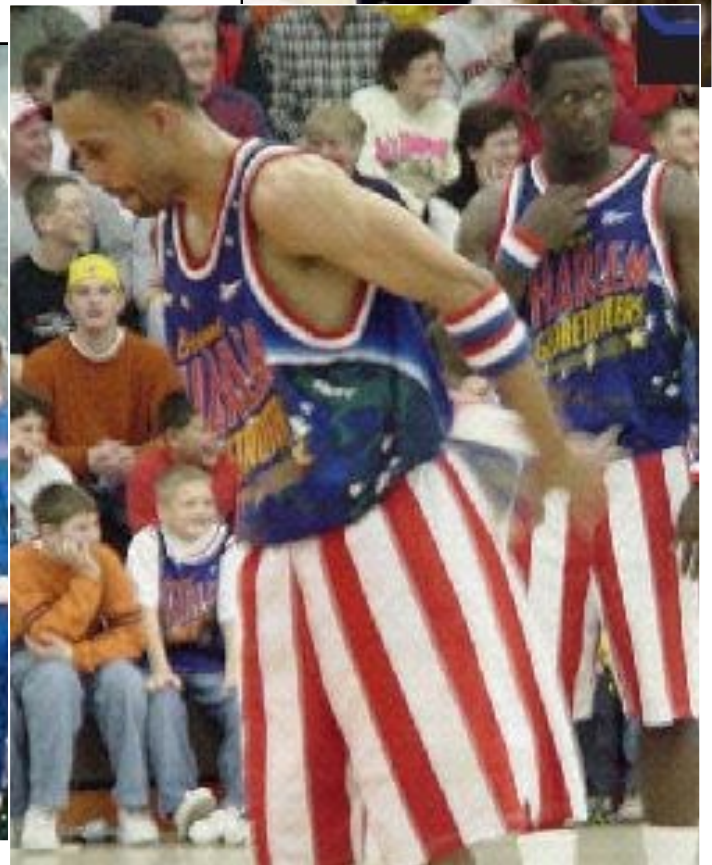
Germany's experience at WEAA led to other broadcast opportunities, including a stint at several of the highest rated stations in the Baltimore-Washington metropolitan area WPOC (FM 93) in Baltimore, MD. And WBAL-AM in Baltimore. At WBAL, Germany enjoyed a 12 year career as a news anchor and General Assignment reporter. During his WBAL tenure, he covered Baltimore City, Baltimore County and Maryland politics.

The emergence of new technologies in the industry eventually led to a strong interest in satellite radio. Germany was hired as a Sports Anchor at Sirius-XM Satellite radio in Washington, D.C. in April of 2005. At Sirius-XM, Germany was heard on a national platform. His work could be found on the various sports channels on the platform. Germany has also free lanced in Baltimore area high school sports.

He's had the opportunity to sit behind the microphone at high school football and basketball games since 1995. And in addition to his experience on the high school level, he's also had the privilege of serving as the primary Play by Play voice of Morgan State University athletics. Germany has been the "Voice of Morgan" since for more than three decades.

In 2007, Germany and several partners realized a career dream with the formation of the Heritage Sports Radio Network (HSRN). The network is dedicated to the national broadcast of HBCU athletics. It affords Historic Black Colleges and Universities a platform for exposure that previously did not exist. HSRN programming can be heard on Sirius-XM radio and 30 radio stations across the country.

Germany currently resides in Parkville, Maryland.



Keynote Speaker

Charles “Choo” Smith

President / CEO, Choo Smith Youth Enterprise, LLC



Charles “Choo” Smith is the only child born to Brenda and Charles H. Smith., Sr. He was born on November 30, 1970 and was raised in West Baltimore. He graduated from the historic City College High School in 1988. While he excelled at baseball, he soon realized his true love was for the game of basketball. Charles was the starting point guard for the varsity team and quickly rose to the rank of captain.

Charles attended Bowie State University in Maryland. He soon became the institution's starting point guard. After his first year of college Charles was recruited by Mr. Will Jones, head coach of the University of the District of Columbia.

Choo immediately earned his spot as the starting point guard. Led by Choo, the Firebirds went seven games over .500 for the first time in 10 years. Choo was honored for his exceptional basketball skills and finished his college career as the school's all time leader in Steals and Assists. During this time Choo was voted MVP of the team, he won The Pigskin Classic Award as the “Best Player” in the region and the Reslyn W. Henry Memorial Award. Charles “Choo” Smith graduated from the University of the District of Columbia with a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science.

Charles caught the eye of a representative from the world-renowned Original Harlem Globetrotters and signed a contract to join the team. He moved to the top of the pyramid by becoming a high-profile member of the team until 2001 when he sustained what some thought would be a career ending back injury. He soon recovered and began playing for the Harlem Wizards from 2001-2002 and then overseas in the Euro League with the Vienna Basket Hounds from 2002-2003. Charles has played in all 50 States and in 26 countries. He was recognized as one of the greatest dribblers in the world.

Charles founded Choo Smith Youth Empowerment, a non-profit organization that focuses on his “4L” philosophy (Love it, Learn it, Live it, Lead it) and Choo Smith Enterprise a for-profit corporation. From these organizations the Choo Smith Summer Basketball Camp was born. This camp became the platform for many initiatives under Choo Smith Youth Empowerment, Inc.

Choo has the ability to reach children and youth right where they are in life. His drive and determination will not allow him to ever leave any child where he found them. His motives and heart are pure from the sense that he wants nothing from the children and families he helps but to position them to be successful. The integrity that he exhibits magnifies itself in everything that he's involved with. Choo does not compromise his ethics and faith in Christ for any reason. He has a heart of gold. No matter what time of the day, if a child needs to talk to him about anything, he always makes himself available. He is soft spoken, but when he speaks he commands the attention of the audience he is speaking to. Failure is never an option. He pushes the athletes he trains to reach their full potential. He gives of his time, money and whatever is needed of him freely.

Choo has been featured on local and national television networks like Fox News, NBC, ABC and Cornerstone Television. Choo has appeared on television shows like Good Fellas of Baltimore, a Fox reality show, and the new ABC Reality show Ball Boys. As a humanitarian, Charles “Choo” Smith has and continues to touch the lives of youth throughout Maryland and across the world.

Today, Charles resides in Maryland and is married to his wife of 9 years, Damali Smith and together they have three children, Ayanna, Charles and Layla.

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The Honorable Carl Stokes

Baltimore City Council – 12th District



“Nothing is impossible, determination makes it possible!”

*Councilman Stokes Congratulates the
exceptional Athletes, Coaches, and Volunteers
of the Maryland District!*

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2013 Maryland AAU Awards

MD/AAU OUTSTANDING ATHLETE AWARD

The MD/AAU Outstanding Athlete Award is presented to the athlete who excelled in performance in their respective sport, used their talents to best of their abilities and was motivated to excellence in athletic endeavors.

MD/AAU COACH AWARD

The MD/AAU Coach Award is presented to coaches that through their major commitment of time, patience, and instruction make it possible for the many MD/AAU athletes to train and successfully compete. And through their understanding ways and their knowledge of the game embrace inspiration, motivation, and dedication as the building blocks that athletes need for success in sports and life. Each Sports Director recommends their choice (from their sport) to the Banquet Chairperson.

MD/AAU "VOLUNTEER SPIRIT" AWARDS

The MD/AAU "Volunteer Spirit" Awards are presented to individuals who embrace the true meaning of "giving their time and energy to benefit others," and do so in the "spirit" of what all of AAU really stands for: a commitment and dedication to America's children to grow as individuals and become tomorrow's leaders. These volunteers, who give of themselves, can always be counted on to be there, and always bring the team spirit with them. Each Sports Director makes these recommendations (from the sport) to the Banquet Chairperson.

JOHN G. CONSIDINE – "SPORTS DIRECTOR MEMBERSHIP AWARD"

This award honors the late John Considine and is awarded to the Maryland AAU Sports Director that shows the largest percentage increase in new registrations (athletes and clubs) over the year and the most registered participants. This award promotes both his legacy and passion for involving more and more athletes and volunteers in the fun and spirit of the AAU. The Governor and Registrar finalize selection.

WILLIAM "BILL" STEVENS – "CLUB EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR AWARD"

This award pays tribute to the sports/club Volunteer, who takes pride in the finer details of AAU paperwork and documentation in ensuring that their club is administratively signed, sealed and delivered for competition (local, state or national). Each Sports Director makes these recommendations (from their sport) to the Banquet Chairperson.

RALPH L. DURANT MEMORIAL AWARD

This award was established to give tribute to the outstanding architecting that Ralph Durant did with the Track and Field program of Baltimore City and the mentoring of youth and young adults in the program. Ralph Durant's name is synonymous with youth track and field excellence. Athletes are selected for their successes during the year's competitions in addition to their prowess at the National Junior Olympics and submitted to the Banquet Chairperson.

GOVERNOR'S AWARD

This award pays tribute to individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership along with demonstrating professionalism and promoting the AAU. Each Sports Director makes recommendation (from their sport) to the Governor.

*** MELVIN "MEL" PARKER MEMORIAL AWARD ***

This award pays tribute to Melvin Parker, who served as the President of the Maryland District for 10 years and Boys Basketball Chairman for 10 years. The Award is given annually to the top male and female athletes who achieve a high standard of performance in AAU sanctioned district, regional, or national competition. The award will be presented to two individuals under the age of 18, in recognition of their commitment and achievement in their chosen sport. Each Sports Director submits an application for the recommendation.

2013 Mel Parker Award Nominees



Jump Rope **Lauren Bork**

Lauren has been a member of the Kangaroo Kids Jump Rope Team for over 10 years and has competed in both AAU and USA Jump Rope events, including qualifying to compete at both the AAU Junior Olympic Games and USAJR National Championships for 9 consecutive years! Lauren is a very active and dedicated team member, and is an ambassador for the sport of jump rope! She has performed in various shows across the region, taught at workshops and camps, and has competed in both regional and national tournaments. Her accomplishments during the 2013 AAU season include placing 1st in individual freestyle, placing 3rd overall in individual events for her age group, 3rd overall in Double Dutch events, and 1st in Senior Group Routine; as well as placing 1st in 11 out of 12 events at the Maryland AAU Qualifier.

Lauren has served as a Team Captain, and as a Group Leader at many workshops and camps. She has been responsible for the choreography of many routines used by the Kangaroo Kids Performing, Travel, and Competition Teams; including the gold medal winning Senior Team Show routine at this year's AAU Junior Olympic Games. She also volunteered at many AAU tournaments, helping as a runner or tabulator, and assisting with set-up and clean-up. Lauren has stepped up as a leader on her team and in her sport, and is someone younger athletes look up to.

Lauren's dedication and leadership is prevalent in all aspects for her life. As a student at Reservoir High School, she played soccer all four years, served as Vice-President of Best Buddies, is the Editor-in-Chief of the school newspaper, the student leader of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and is a member of both the National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society. She is also an actively involved member of her church's youth ministry, participating in weekly bible studies and serving on the leadership team.

Lauren was able to manage her busy schedule without it taking a toll on her academic performance. She graduated with a final un-weighted GPA of a 4.0 and weighted GPA of a 4.67. Her grades put her in the top 5% of her class, with her rank being #1 un-weighted and #8 weighted. She was a National Merit Commended Scholar and an AP Scholar.

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Track and Field **D'Amaie Davis**

D'Amaie Davis is both an athlete and a scholar. She strives to do her best on and off the track. She began competing in AAU Track & field in 2009. She has been on the podium every year since, as a Race walker. D'Amaie is a three-times National Champion and All-American in her event, at both 1500 meters and 3000 meters distances. In addition to Race Walking, she competes in Hurdles and High Jump.

Being able to compete and win her third National Race Walk Title this year was especially fulfilling. She suffered a strained MCL and a sprained kneecap in May, which almost ended her season. After the injury, she stayed focused and faithful to her physical therapy. D'Amaie worked through a tough period of rehabilitation and doubt filled days. Her focus was simple, "Just finish what you start!"

D'Amaie has that same focus in the class room. She is a two-time Carson Scholarship recipient, and consistent Honor Roll student. As a 9th Grader this year, she is taking almost all honors courses at Baltimore Poly High School.



2013 Outstanding Athletes & Coaches

Swimming - CMSL

Athlete Awards

Ally VanNetta
Timmy VanNetta
Rhiannon Buchman
Mark Solace
Aaron McNabney
Mary Hager
Emily R Vance
Dan Moreno
Kurt Klaus
Lauren Poole
Alex Martin
Michael Seaberg
Annie Seaberg
Zachary Kolenda
Emily Perrotta
Megan Taylor
Justin Bettencourt
Andrew Sanchez
Clare Flynn
David Gostomski
Danielle Clark
Emily Lembach
Matthan Martir
Cameron Ducey
Connor Stewart
Holden Veek
Claire O'Shaughnessy
Jenna Gwinn
Alan Cherches
Kevin A Whalen
Lili Fanua
Brandon Wilson
Maggie Scicchitano
Taren Johnson
Ian Anderson
Elizabeth Fry
Rachell Jolly
Rachel Cunningham
Benjamin Skopic
Kayla Snyder
Julianna Burnett
Carson Scharf
Lance Collier
Trevor Collier
Connor Bitz
Maggie Belbot
Jessica Pareja
Brandon Rafsky
Jack Guidera

Swimming - CMSL

Athlete Awards

Ashley Forthuber
Nathan Pittroff
Rebecca Younts
Nick Subong
Sydney Richardson
Mia Mesceda
Christopher Ratliff
Reagan J Karr
Kyle Bowers
Karly Zungailia
Sam Harsel
Grace Jecelin
Lexi Cucchiaro
Carl Zhang
Andrew McKissick
Alissa Caulfield
Bridget Jordan
Brent Lawrence
Evan Allgair
Kellie Malaney
Christian March
Kathryn T Nevin
Abby Dvorak
Sara Fischer
Jessica Katlie Thompson
Kaitlyn O'Byrne
Aliya Rose
Max Klemm
Francesca Woody

Governor Awards

Mary Milano
Lori Holtzman
Kristin Hogle

Swimming - AESC

Athlete Awards

A'Najee Browne
Derricka Franklin
Roman Adams
Jerrell McFadden
Isaiah Weir
Taylor McCleary
Destiny Edwards
Amaya Burke
Sydney Herring

Baseball

Athlete Awards

Xylan Morris
Tyreek Carroll
Uriah Kemoh
Timothy Pichardo
Brandon De La Cruz
Randly De La Cruz
Kalel Adell
Breon Noel
Terrance Love

Coach Awards

Teo Pichardo
Victor De La Cruz

Volunteer Award

Gilbert Young

Governor Award

Teo Pichardo

Bill Stevens Award

Victor De La Cruz

Jump Rope

Athlete Awards

Lauren Bork
Christina Kratzmeier
Ryan McGuire
Aaron Weingrad
Cameron Simmons
Drew Meininger
Devin Meek

Volunteer Award

Kristen Bork

Boys Basketball

- Chick Webb/Bmore's Finest

Athlete Awards

Tyler Baldwin
Samartine Bogues-Christian
Artarus Brown
Andrew Dixon
Marcellus Dobbins
Edrees Farooq
Curtis Shaw
Malik Liberto
Dante Simpson
Dwayne Williams Jr
Isaiah Williams

Coach Awards

Genelle McCoy
Nate Brown
Donnell Dobbins

Boys Basketball

- Banneker Athlete Awards

Samuel Scott III
Jalen Franklin
Micah Lowry Jr.
Jordan Ervin
Jalen Marshall
Jayden Money
Damon Brown Jr.
Andrew Reubottom Jr.
Kanye Holland
Joshua Franklin
Jeremiah Turner

Coach Awards

Antonio Turner
Phillip Burton
Eric Marshall.

Volunteer Awards

Andre Crawley
Candice Jones

2013 Outstanding Athletes & Coaches

Girls Basketball

- Baltimore's Charm Athlete Awards

Mya Lee
Sydney Clopton
Akiri Lewis
Kahla McIver
Eboney Dixon
Tasha McGruder
Shamar Prilliman
Leshia Davis
Diamond Gray
Keehan Fields
Nazje Norton

Coch Awards

Sam Walker
David Smylie

Girls Basketball

- Baltimore Lady Panthers Athlete Awards

Jayda Pearson
Kayla Leach
Andrea McTaggart
Casey Johnson
Summer Fields
Alanica Bell
Nkeiruka Okororie
Khepera Stokes
Ryan Holder
Bria Johnson
Jewel Porter
Kamya Renwicks
Taylor Ross

Coch Awards

Greg Hinton
Rod Stokes

Volunteer Awards

Janice Johnson
Sam Walker

Governors Award

Greg Hinton

Golf

Athlete Awards

Micaa Thomas
Kendell Abrams

Coch Award

Howard Williams

Track/Field

Athlete Awards - Female

Adrianna Thomas
Sage Hinton
Kennedy Roberts
Kaylyn Johnson
Hannah Salvador
D'Amaie Davis
Kendal Drewery
Sydney Robinson
Ciara Thomas
Kadeejah Santiago
Jordyn Morris
Christina Riggins
Sydney Gilbert
Amanda Ruffin
Destiny Morrison
Adesua Osula
Natalie Holland
Morgan McGinnis
Tamara Dyer
Nyjari Mcneil
Shaniya Hall
Carmen Watts

Coch Awards

Olivia Hunter
Shirley Ann Hinton

Ralph Durant Award

Adrianna Thomas

Track/Field

Athlete Awards - Male

Litchfield Ajavon
Anthony Valentine
Eric Allen
Ashton Allen
James Searcy
Chase Drewery
Jadon Davis
George Flaviano
Ryan Willie
Samuel Graves
Jaden Rollins
Zackary Meggett
Justin Marsh
Michael Francis
Donovan Young
Arik Smith
Gerard Bryant
Austin Allen
Landon Leatherman
Joshua Wofford

Coch Awards

Garfield Thompson
Malcolm Drewery
Eric Allen
Alonzo Ruffin

Ralph Durant Award

Litchfield Ajavon

Governor Award

William Price

Bill Stevens Award

Mary Haynes

Football - Tackle

Shutdown Academy Athlete Awards

Shannon Boone
Jaheim Clark
Jayden Davis
Keondre Dorsey
Sean DuBois
Adrian Hawkins
Ryshawn Lemon
Austin Maybin
Mossimo Norfleet
Jordan Robinson
Jordan Sutton
Dezmond Tanzymore
Tyler Waddell
Taekwon Williams

Coch Awards

Schazz Lee
Moses Norfleet
Janice Brown

Volunteer Award

Tracey Estep

Governor Award

Keon Carpenter

Bill Stevens Award

Omar Parker

*** * * 2013 Special Awards * * ***

JOHN G. CONSIDINE – "SPORT DIRECTOR MEMBERSHIP AWARD"

Swimming – Most Registered Participants

Golf - Largest Percentage Increase in New Registrations

WILLIAM "BILL" STEVENS – "CLUB EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR AWARD"

Mary Haynes

Omar Parker

Victor De La Cruz

GOVERNOR'S AWARD

Joe Cucchiaro

Jackie Markham

Ernest W. Burkeen, Jr.

Leroy Levi

Rahim Booth

2013 AAU Football!



Fall 2012 was the SHUTDOWN ACADEMY'S inaugural youth football season. Shutdown was founded by retired NFL players Keion Carpenter (Atlanta Falcons), Bryant Johnson (Houston Texans) and current NFL player Aaron Maybin (Cincinnati Bengals). 8U Head Coach Schazz Lee and Assistant Coach Moses Norfleet, along with Team Mom Janice Brown, had a great time working with the young men.

The team was made up of veteran players as well as many first-year rookie players. Everyone did a fantastic job. 8U was fortunate enough to win the State Championship and qualify/participate in the AAU National

Championship series in Orlando, Florida. The team had a wonderful time and hopes to have the same success this upcoming season, to be able to go back to the Nationals. GO SHUTDOWN!



On June 29-30, 2013 the Maryland District AAU Football & Shutdown Academy hosted a **National Summer Jam Football Kick-off** at Mergenthaler High School in Baltimore City. Shutdown Academy, the host for the weekend hosted teams in the Maryland, D.C, Delaware, and Virginia Region. During the two day event, Maryland AAU Football showcased the talents of youth, both on and off the football field!



Golf 2013 AAU Highlights

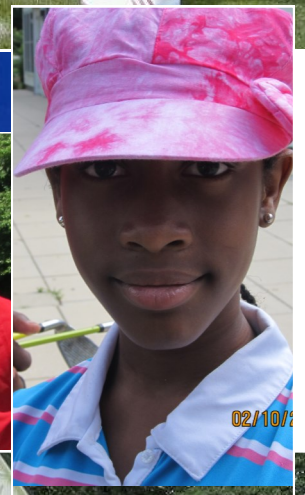


Golf was implemented in Maryland for the first time in 2013 in the form of the For the Kids Golf Tournament, which hosted adults, juniors and peewees (5-9 years of age). Our goal was to send one golfer, expenses paid, to the AAU National Tournament.

We exceeded our goal by sending three junior golfers who represented the City of Baltimore and the State of Maryland in fine fashion!

Dallas Rowe (pictured left) finished 5th in the country in the 18 and under boys competition. **Kendell Abrams** (right) finished 2nd in the 12 and under Girls.

Micaa Thomas (below) topped the field in a **first place** finish in the 16 and under girls.



Kangaroo Kids 2013 Highlights



The Kangaroo Kids Competition Team had a very successful year! The team hosted 2 AAU Tournaments, one was an Invitational event with divisions for both Novice and Experienced jumpers, and one was a qualifying tournament for the AAU Junior Olympic Games.

Several Kangaroo Kids jumpers qualified to compete at the AAU Junior Olympic Games this summer in Detroit, MI.

These jumpers competed in speed, power, and freestyle in Individual, Pairs, and Double Dutch events and many ribbons and medals were won by Kangaroo Kids athletes!

Kangaroo Kids also won the gold medal for Senior Team Show at the AAU Junior Olympic Games!



Boys Basketball: What A Season!



Chick Webb / B'More's Finest!

The 2012-13 AAU season was a roller coaster ride for the 2nd grade **Chick Webb/B'More's Finest** squad! We took our talents all over the country competing against some of the nation's best 2nd graders. We ventured to Akron OH, where we participated and made it to the Final Four of the LeBron James Shooting Stars Classic.

As if Akron wasn't far enough, we also took a road trip to Indianapolis IN and received runner-up honors at the Hoosier Invitational. Despite the success we had at these amazing venues, Memphis TN was certainly the highlight of our season.

After a long 6 months of preparation, we were confident that we would go to the National Championship and compete at a very high level. The road was very tough and rigid, but with teamwork, resilience, and great coaching we were able to overcome a number of obstacles. Though we did not win the National Championship, we finished the week as the 3rd best team of the 2013 class. During this season the team grew in many areas. They have learned the importance of preparation, dedication, and unity.



This fairytale year has provided an abundance of unforgettable memories and instilled these young athletes with qualities that will allow them to excel both on and off the court.

I am proud to be affiliated with this special group of boys, and I am looking forward to what promises to be a successful 3rd grade campaign!

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Banneker Kings 3rd grade AAU Nationals D1 Runner ups!

MD Track and Field Highlights



Athletes competed in AAU Area 3 National Qualifier in 9 different age divisions, based on year of birth, for both girls and boys. The National Qualifier was held in Hagerstown, MD., where the top 4 individuals or relays in each division advanced to the National Championship. The AAU Junior Olympics Games Track & Field National Championship was held on July 27 to August 3 at Olds-Marshall Track, Rynearson Stadium, Eastern Michigan University, in Ypsilanti, MI.

The National Meet had over 13,000 athletes entered, where the top 8 individuals or relay received medals.

Maryland had over 70 athletes to make it to the podium and win medals.

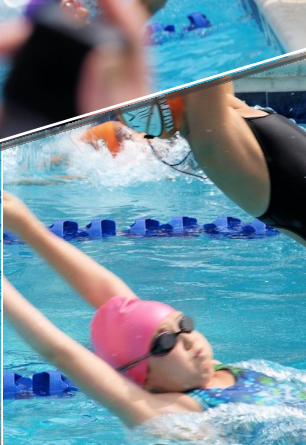


Central Maryland Swimming League: A Great Season!

The **Central Maryland Swimming League (CMSL)** provides competitive summer swimming programs for children of member pools to help advance aquatic skills, promote teamwork and principles of good sportsmanship, and develop a love of the sport. The league is comprised of 50 teams separated into nine divisions across four counties and Baltimore City. Division membership is determined each year based on the performance of a team during the previous year and may change from year to year. Each athlete, coach and team representative is an AAU member. With over 5,000 members, CMSL is the largest swimming organization within AAU.

The league provides swimmers with several levels of competition to assist in their development as athletes and well-rounded individuals. The official season consists of five dual meets, a league-wide invitational meet called Straehles for which swimmers must have achieved minimum qualifying times, and divisional championship meets at the end of the season.

All dual meets are held at member pools on Saturday mornings in June and July. Many teams also organize additional interdivisional and novice meets throughout the season to provide more opportunities for competition and fun. Some examples include time trials, county-based invitational meets, rock-and-roll relays and dive-in movies.



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- The OPPORTUNITIES – More; more athletes to play more games, for maximum enjoyment, and skill development to reach future goals
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A **Special Thank You** to all of the events sponsors! The participating organizations Shutdown Academy, Montgomery County Knights, BES Raiders, MD Seahawks, Baltimore Stallions, North Staff, VA Mass Munity, and Central VA Hurricanes thank you for your dedication and your support to our youth.

The MD District AAU Football staff looks forward to an exciting tournament for 2014!



Warmest Regards,

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BALTIMORE LADY PANTHERS 9TH GRADE

***2013-Placed 2nd - 9th Grade Div I
AAU NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

***2013-AAU MD DISTRICT Div I
CHAMPION 9TH GRADE AND 10TH GRADE**

***2013 #2 - AAU DIV I CLUB POWER RANKINGS**



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***2013-Placed 6th -11th Grade Div II AAU NATIONAL
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As the year comes to a close, please allow me to thank the 2013 Awards Banquet Committee, our Maryland AAU Officers and Executive Committee, MD AAU Sports Directors, our Administrative Staff, Master of Ceremonies, Guest Speakers, Coaches, Parents, Volunteers, and most of all, our MD AAU athlete awardees!

Without your efforts, we would not be here celebrating the achievements and accomplishments of our athletes, coaches and volunteers. There would be no one to recognize and we'd have no reason to celebrate. Your generosity, time and commitment have allowed us to complete another successful season.

Your unwavering spirit of teamwork and cooperation continues to make all of our AAU events run as smoothly as possible and that is something I truly appreciate.

Thanks again, for your dedication and support, and for making this year's Awards Banquet Ceremony a great success!

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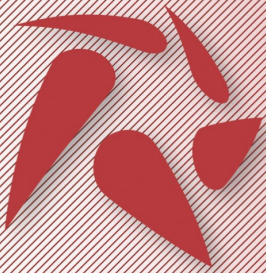
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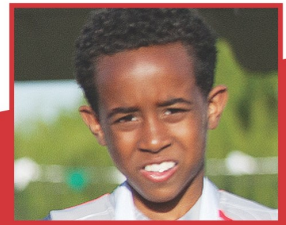
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