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### MAC ANNOUNCES MAC COACHES HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2025 INDUCTEES

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(CLINTON, MS) The Mississippi Association of Coaches announced today the new class of inductees for 2025 for the MAC Coaches Hall of Fame. Upon the induction of the Class of 2025, the MAC Hall of Fame membership will increase to 276 total (261 lifetime and 15 honorary members). The MAC Coaches Hall of Fame was created in 1973. The new class will be inducted at the 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual MAC Coaches Hall of Fame Induction ceremonies on Friday, June 20, 2025, at 6:00 PM at the Sheraton Refuge Hotel & Conference Center off Airport Road in Flowood, MS. Tickets for the event will go on sale by the MAC at a later date.

The MAC Hall of Fame Class of 2025 includes:

DOUG BLAKENEY, championship track & field and cross country coach at Ocean Springs who led the Greyhounds girls' and boys' cross country teams to a combined 14 state championships; four-time MAC Coach of the Year; member of the Ocean Springs Sports Hall of Fame (2020).

SHEILA HICKMAN, championship girls' basketball coach at Louisville High and Holmes Community College; MAC All-Star Coach; member of the Ole Miss Athletic Hall of Fame (1995) and the Holmes Community College Athletic Hall of Fame (2019).

**CHARLIE JACOBS**, championship girls' basketball coach at Hamilton, Lafayette, Hancock North Central, Puckett, & Kossuth; middle school coach at Brandon for 16 years prior to retirement.

**HENRY JOHNSON**, 26-year MAC championship football coach and athletic director at Clarksdale and West Bolivar; MAC All-Star Coach; nine-time Coach of the Year.

**ALLEN LUNCEFORD**, longtime championship softball, golf and 9<sup>th</sup> grade girls' basketball coach at Clinton; MAC Golf and Softball Coach of the Year; MAC All-Star Coach and director of annual coaches' golf tournament.

**LOUIS NASH**, 42-year MAC member who has been a national recognized championship tennis coach at R. H. Watkins High in Laurel, Greenville St. Joseph and Oxford High; two-time MAC All-Star Coach; MAC and NFHS Coach of the Year and a member of the Mississippi Tennis Hall of Fame.

For more information including ticket sales for the banquet, contact the MAC offices at (601) 924-3020 or [www.mscoaches.com](http://www.mscoaches.com).