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RUSSELL ATHLETIC and WBCA Announce the 2004 NCAA Division II Regional Coaches of the Year

ATLANTA, Ga. (March 8, 2004) -- RUSSELL ATHLETIC and the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) are proud to announce the Russell Athletic/WBCA Regional Coach of the Year winners for NCAA Division II.

"On behalf of the WBCA, we are honored to recognize this outstanding group of coaches," said Beth Bass, WBCA CEO. "Each individual coach has proven to be a great leader both on and off the court and is truly deserving of this acknowledgment."

"RUSSELL ATHLETIC congratulates each coach in their respective region," said Rod McGeachy, Vice President of Marketing. "We respect the commitment that all coaches make to their team and their sport and we at RUSSELL ATHLETIC are proud to be associated with this special achievement."

The winner is selected through a two-level process. The first level is by region, in which coaches from each WBCA geographical region vote for their respective top coach. If a coach has been selected as Regional Coach of the Year, they advance as a finalist to the national level of the selection process along with the other seven Regional Coaches of the Year in their respective division.

Below are the NCAA Division II Russell Athletic/WBCA Regional Coach of the Year winners:

- Region 1 Ann McInerney Merrimack College
- Region 2 Darcie Vincent California University of Pennsylvania
- Region 3 Jacques Curtis Shaw University
- Region 4 Larry Just Quincy University
- Region 5 Glenn Wilkes Rollins College
- Region 6 Gene Steinmeyer Northwest Missouri State University
- Region 7 Amy Ruley North Dakota State University
- Region 8 Gordy Presnell Seattle Pacific University

The winner of the NCAA Division II Russell Athletic/WBCA Coach of the Year will be honored on Tuesday, April 6 at 12:00 p.m. during the Russell Athletic/WBCA Coach of the Year Banquet at the New Orleans Marriott.

Founded in 1981, the WBCA promotes women's basketball by unifying coaches at all levels to develop a reputable identity for the sport and to foster and promote the development of the game in all of its aspects as an amateur sport for women and girls. For more information about the WBCA, please visit WBCA.org.

