

PRESS RELEASE

University of Denver's Pam Wettig Named 2012 WBCA Administrator of the Year

Editor's Note: Monday's release announcing the University of Denver's Pam Wettig as the 2012 WBCA Administrator of the Year contained incorrect information. Wettig oversees only the university's men's basketball and women's basketball programs. She ceased to be the director of annual giving at the start of this season. The WBCA regrets the errors.

ATLANTA (March 12, 2012) – Pam Wettig, senior associate athletic director at the University of Denver, is the recipient of the 2012 WBCA Administrator of the Year Award, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association office announced today.

The WBCA Administrator of the Year Award is presented annually to an administrator, athletic director, associate or assistant athletic director, or senior woman administrator who has excelled at encouraging the growth and quality of women's basketball programs and women's athletic programs overall. The candidate also must have served as a professional role model for student-athletes.

"Congratulations to Pam Wettig," said WBCA CEO Beth Bass. "As an avid supporter of women's basketball and a great administrator at the University of Denver, Pam sets an example for fellow administrators. Strong relationships between administrators and the WBCA's member coaches are important keys to success."

Wettig is in her 12th season as the senior associate athletic director and senior woman administrator at Denver. She oversees men's basketball and women's basketball in her role. A dedicated women's basketball advocate, Wettig has served as a connection between the university's athletic office's and the community of Denver since her arrival on campus.

Prior to joining the staff at Denver, Wettig was the associate athletic director at Loyola Marymount University from 1996–2000. While there, she created the student-athlete advisory committee. Wettig also has nearly 20 years of women's basketball coaching experience from tenures at Miami (Ohio) and Iowa State. When Wettig took over the program at Miami (Ohio), she became the first full-time women's coach at the institution and in the state of Ohio.

Wettig will be formally recognized during the WBCA Awards Show, which will be held at 5 p.m. MT, Monday, April 2, at the Sheraton Downtown Denver. This event is part of the WBCA National Convention and is held in conjunction with the NCAA® Women's Final Four®.

Past recipients of the WBCA Administrator of the Year Award include: Theresa Wenzel. Georgia Tech (2011); Janna Blais, Northwestern University (2010); Carolyn Campbell-McGovern, Ivy League (2009); Marianne Vydra, Oregon State University (2008), Carol Sprague, University of Pittsburgh (2007); Jane Meyer, University of Iowa (2006), Debbie Richardson, Campbell University (2005); Dr. M. Dianne Murphy, University of Denver (2004); Cary Groth, Northern Illinois University (2003); Marita Hynes, University of Oklahoma (2002); Jane Meier, Northern Kentucky (2001); Bernadette McGlade, ACC (2000); Don DiJulia, St. Joseph's (Pa.) University (1999); Jeanne Lenti Ponsetto, DePaul University (1998); Lynn Dorn, North Dakota State University (1997); Dr. Mary Jo Wynn, Southwest Missouri State University (1996); Ellen Perry, Pennsylvania State University (1995); Lynn Barry, USA Basketball (1994); the late Jeannine McHaney, Texas Tech University (1993); Dr. Christine Grant, University of Iowa (1992); Dr. James Jarrett, Old Dominion University (1991); Dr. Judith Holland, UCLA (1990); Dr. Donna Lopiano, University of Texas (1989); Dr. Joyce Wong, University of Rochester (1988); Joan Cronan, University of Tennessee (1987); Nora Lynn Finch, North Carolina State University (1987); Dr. Charlotte West, Southern Illinois University (1987).

About the WBCA:

Founded in 1981, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association 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 as a sport for women and girls. The WBCA is pleased to join the women's sports community in commemorating the 40th anniversary of Title IX, which was passed by Congress on June 23, 1972, and provides females with equal opportunities in athletics in the U.S. For more information on the WBCA, please visit wbca.org.