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Gov. Sarah Huckabee Sanders goes to South Korea...



Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders receives a LG Twins Baseball jersey from Shin Hak-Cheol, Vice Chairman and CEO of LG Chem, on Thursday, March 7. (Photo credit: Judd Deere)

SEOUL, Republic of Korea – Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders started her Asia trade

tween the two cities. The Governor also met with LG Chem CEO Mr. Shin Hak-Cheol and Samsung SDI President and CEO Choi Yoon Ho to discuss business opportunities in Arkansas. She met with U.S. troops deployed overseas, including Agriculture Secretary Wes Ward. The Governor toured Kiswire HQ, the only Korean company with a facility in Arkansas, and met with company executives in Busan.

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mission in Seoul, South Korea, meeting with Mayor Hyun-jae Lee of Hanam City, the sister city of Little Rock, to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that further strengthens economic and cultural ties be-

David Jones and Jahvon Quinerly earn spots on AAC All-Conference teams



David Jones



Jahvon Quinerly

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – University of Memphis senior forward David Jones and fifth-year point guard Jahvon Quinerly earned spots on the 2023-24 All-American Athletic Conference teams, the league office announced Tuesday. The official AAC awards are selected by the league’s head coaches, and the coaches are not allowed to vote for their own players.

Jones earned All-AAC First Team honors, while Quinerly garnered a spot on the All-AAC Third Team.

Jones has had an All-American season thus far, averaging 21.7 points, 7.6 rebounds and 2.1 steals per game. He is on track to becoming the first Division I player since Zion Williamson in 2018-19 to average those

numbers in a season.

He leads the league in scoring and total field goal makes (215), while ranking second in steals per game, free throws made (169) and double-doubles (10). In total, he ranks top-2 in seven AAC statistics and top-5 in 14.

The only Tiger to start all 31 games this season, Jones has posted career-high numbers across the board, including marks of 46.0 percent from the floor (215-467) and a 37.9 percent from long range (75-198). He also leads the team with an 80.1-percent clip at the free throw line (169-211).

The Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic native has scored 674 points this season, which currently ranks eighth on Memphis’ single-season chart. He is 88 points shy of Dajuan Wagner’s

program record 762 points in 2001-02.

Jones brought home the AAC Player of the Week and Oscar Robertson National Player of the Week in December and is a six-time AAC Weekly Honor Roll selection. Last week, he was one of the five finalists for the Julius Erving Small Forward of the Year Award.

He has scored in double figures in all 31 games, topping the 20-

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NAACP Joins Coalition of Black Veterans to Get Buffalo Legend Charles Young’s Statue at African American Museum *see sports-Military 2* ***

Wreaths Across America Remembers Flying Tiger Line Flight 739 *see sports-Military 2* ***

MENTOR and Grizzlies Host Mentoring Matters Summit *see sports-Ent. 5* ***

10th Annual Influencers Brunch ... *see sports-Ent. 5* ***

UFL Signs Partnership with Under Armour *see sports-Ent. 5*

Meet some of BIHMST sports correspondents



William M. Larsha, Jr.



Ashley Braun Gendek

BIH MST Travelers, join correspondents William M. Larsha, Jr. And Ashley Braun Gendek in their sports coverage of University of Memphis Tigers, Memphis Grizzlies, TN Titans, Southern Heritage Classic, FedEx St. Jude Championship, Soccer and more on The Mid-South Tribune and the Black Information Highway at blackinformationhighway.com

Welcome, Travelers!

Antoine Smith named Memphis Showboats defensive line coach

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – March 12, 2024 – Memphis Showboats head coach John DeFilippo has announced the hiring of Antoine Smith as the team’s defensive line coach.

The following is a look at a few of Smith’s career highlights/credentials:

- Antoine Smith, Defensive Line Coach
- 21 years of collegiate coaching experience
- Most recently, served as assistant head coach and defensive line coach at Temple University
- Also served as assistant head coach at Colorado State in 2021

•Has produced double-digit all-conference players throughout his collegiate coaching career Smith’s hire becoming official rounds out the coaching staff for the Showboats with training camp under way in Arlington, Texas and the season-opener less than a month away on March 31 at the Houston Roughnecks.

Smith joins the rest of the staff, who were formally announced recently. DeFillippo’s staff also includes:

- Carnell Lake, Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs
- Doug Martin, Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers
- Kirk Doll, Special Teams Co-

ordinator/Running Backs Paul Pasqualoni, Linebackers Steven Thompson, Assistant Linebackers Jim Turner, Run Game Coordinator/Offensive Line T.J. Vernieri, Tight Ends

The United Football League (UFL) is set to launch as the premier spring football platform, formed by the merging of the XFL and USFL in 2024. The UFL has eight teams in Arlington (TX), Birmingham (AL), Detroit (MI), Houston (TX), San Antonio (TX), Memphis (TN), St. Louis (MO), and Washington D.C.

SAF wins summary judgement in Cal. ‘One Gun A Month’ challenge

March 13, 2024 - The Second Amendment Foundation has been granted summary judgement in a federal challenge of California’s One-Gun-A-Month (OGM) purchase law. U.S. District Judge William Q. Hayes stayed his decision for 30 days for the defendants to facilitate an appeal. SAF is joined by the North County Shooting Center, San Diego County Gun Owners Pac, PWGG, LP, Firearms Policy Coalition and six private citizens including Michelle Nguyen, for whom the case is named. They are represented by attorney Ray-

“This is a win for gun rights and California gun owners,” said SAF founder and Executive Vice President Alan M. Gottlieb. “There is no historical justification for limiting law-abiding citizens to a single handgun or rifle purchase during a one-month period, and Judge Hayes’ ruling clearly points that out.”

mond M. DiGuiseppe of Southport, N.C. The case was filed in December 2020 and is known as Nguyen v. Bonta.

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“The state of California tried to justify the OGM law in part on the grounds that it is a lawful regulation imposing conditions on the commercial sale of arms,” added SAF Executive Director Adam Kraut. “However, there is nothing in the Second Amend-

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The Memphis Tigers logo, featuring a stylized tiger head and the letter 'M'.

A photograph of a young man in a white Memphis baseball uniform and blue cap, smiling.

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