



Coach of the Year event to be in New York City

DALLAS — The 2010 FWAA/Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Reception/Announcement, sponsored by the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, will be held in New York City in conjunction with the annual National Football Foundation Induction Dinner in early December.

This season's Coach of the Year announcement will be made on the afternoon of Dec. 6 at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, the day before the NFF Banquet is held at the same hotel. A reception and news conference are planned to announce the Coach of the Year winner, which is expected to be carried on ESPN News. TCU's Gary Patterson claimed the 2009 Award.

"We at the FWAA will be honored to present our Eddie Robinson Award every December in New York City," said Tim Griffin, FWAA's 2010-11 president. "It's only natural that college football's most revered award for coaching excellence will now be announced along with the festivities of the National Football Foundation's annual induction dinner. The fact it will be announced in the nation's media center makes it even more exciting. We are thrilled with our upcoming opportunity."

"The Fiesta Bowl is honored to be involved with the Eddie Robinson Award," Fiesta Bowl chairman Duane Woods said. "This move will allow the most prestigious national coaching award to reach an even broader audi-

ence. We are grateful to the National Football Foundation and the FWAA for their efforts in making this happen."

Coach Robinson's son, Eddie Jr., is expected to be on hand for the announcement, which will be attended by other coaches, former Grambling players and Coach of the Year winners, Fiesta Bowl, FWAA and NFF officials, specials guests and numerous members of the media.

"The Eddie Robinson family is very excited about helping to bring this award ceremony to New York City," Eddie Robinson Jr. said. "Our family's relationship with this great city goes back at least four decades when in 1968 Grambling played Morgan State before a large crowd at Yankee Stadium. I am certain that my late father would be just as excited as we are."

The late Robinson is the winningest coach in Division I history (408 games) and the move to presenting this award in New York City is a natural. The Grambling Tigers, which Robinson coached from 1941 through 1997 played numerous regular-season games at Yankee Stadium starting in the late 1960s and into the 1970s and later at the Meadowlands in New Jersey.

Robinson, who passed away on April 3, 2007, won 70.7 percent of his games during his illustrious career. Robinson's teams won or tied for 17 Southwestern

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President's column



TIM GRIFFIN

I faced some excruciating choices a few weeks ago.

A recent downsizing in my library area meant that space on my shelves was at a premium. It left me with a tough decision.

Namely, would I keep my collection of college football guides, even if many of

them have evolved into promotional tools for their programs that become dated and of little use after only a year?

Most of them still are safely tucked away, mainly because I can read the handwriting on the wall. In the not-too-distant future, these informational sources will be eliminated — at least in their current printed and bound format.

The Southeastern Conference's recently accepted proposal to return these sources to their stated use as an informational tool for the media rather than a recruiting guide has only bought them time. The inevitable still seems likely to happen much sooner than we'd all like.

We as media members should feel fortunate that media guides haven't already been legislated out of existence by the NCAA. That idea became more worrisome last season after Big Ten powers Ohio State, Michigan and Wisconsin announced that they would not print media guides and also were actively encouraging other schools to follow suit.

That announcement came after the Pacific-10 Conference proposed to do away with all printed media guides, instead providing them in a PDF format. Some schools made printouts that were available in press boxes when needed. Others didn't.

The forces of cost containment are becoming more prevalent in college athletics. Other schools have made "going green" an important consideration. But

with television revenues and coaching salaries soaring, it's clear that these guides rank low on the spending priorities of most schools.

Some conferences have talked about grouping all of their schools on a thumb drive. And the Cotton Bowl folks with the help of our own Ted Gangi had that handy compilation of all of the guides on a disk last season and will again this season.

But it's not the same.

These humble sources of information have been around for many years, evolving from a simple guide that could be fitted into your back pocket into the mega promotional guides for the biggest national programs. I remember counting one coach I covered being pictured more than 100 times — give or take a group shot with a movie star or a group of Shriners — in one book.

I've been fascinated with media guides since I was a kid. I remember buying one late each summer to get ready for the start of Tennessee football at my neighborhood newsstand in Memphis.

Later, I learned how to compose business letters by writing to every major sports information director and major-league franchise across the country. Somewhere buried in my parents' home, those guides are tucked away for posterity.

The digital age has made those halcyon days of my youth seem much farther removed than the 35 years on the calendar. It's a little sad for me to see them go. But it's not surprising.

By my count, about 30 major football-playing schools did not print guides last season. The number appears to be growing as we enter the 2010 season.

There's no doubt that the savings of not printing these guides are becoming more prevalent in these cost-containment days. Only the biggest of the programs can expect these guides to come close to paying for themselves.

There's an argument that a new generation of reporters who are savvy with

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Frequently asked questions

Some answers to common questions about the Football Writers Association of America, its member benefits and award programs. If you don't see the answer to your question, send us an e-mail at webmaster@sportswriters.net.

About the FWAA

- **Eligibility:** The Football Writers Association of America is open to all accredited members of the media and members of schools and organizations directly affiliated with college football. Although we are the football writers, editors, radio and television broadcasters, publicists and even photographers are eligible to join. Please note that all applications are subject to the approval of the board of directors and the FWAA cannot guarantee that any paid dues will be refunded if your application is rejected. For new members, we encourage you to indicate on your application if you were recommended by a colleague. For questions about eligibility, contact Steve Richardson (tigerfwaa@aol.com or 972-713-6198).

- **Dues:** Annual dues are \$50 and are payable with your application. Retired members are not required to pay dues and students are eligible for reduced dues of \$25. Generally, the FWAA opens its application process each year on the second Monday in April. For dues payment, the FWAA accepts major credit cards (through [PayPal.com](https://www.paypal.com)) and checks. Please do not send cash. For more information about joining the FWAA or to renew your membership, [click here](#).

Membership in the FWAA does not grant access or credentials to cover any event. Any and all access granted is subject to the decision of the school, conference or other governing entity of that event. If you have issues with access and/or credentials, contact Ron Higgins (rhigg@aol.com), the chair of the FWAA Ethics/Press Relations committee.

Partnering with the FWAA

- Founded in 1941, the FWAA has now grown to a record 1,200 members. With that growth, the FWAA has also been able to advance and support its member benefit and awards programs through partnerships and sponsorships above and beyond funds from membership dues. If you have interest in supporting the FWAA and any of its programs through sponsorships or partnerships, contact Executive Director Steve Richardson (972-713-6198 or tigerfwaa@aol.com) or Ted Gangi (ted.gangi@sportswriters.net or 214-909-9314).

Publications

- **Member Directory:** The college football media "bible" is revised and edited each summer in time for the season. In order to ensure that you are included in the directory, **you must pay your dues by June 25**. The

FWAA prints only a limited number of books and does not publish the directory online due to past abuses. The directory is generally mailed to the membership in mid-to late August. If you pay your dues after June 25, you are not guaranteed to be listed, nor can you be guaranteed to receive the directory in time for the start of the season. The FWAA does its best to ensure that all members get a copy of the directory in a timely fashion, regardless of when dues are paid. No member will receive a directory until dues are paid. For questions about the directory, its contents and distribution, contact Steve Richardson (tigerfwaa@aol.com or 972-713-6198).

- **The Fifth Down:** The association's newsletter is produced five times per year and posted to the website. A printable PDF version of each newsletter is available and a limited number of printed newsletters are mailed, mainly to retired members. The Fifth Down generally features a column from the FWAA president and a recap of the latest news. An archive of The Fifth Down dating back to 2001 is available on the website. Ken Stephens is the editor of the newsletter. For questions about The Fifth Down, its contents and distribution, contact Steve Richardson (tigerfwaa@aol.com or 972-713-6198).

Member Benefits

- **Marriott Athletic VIP Card:** One of the best benefits of FWAA membership, this program entitles you to hotel discounts at Marriott properties, when available. You must already be a member of the **Marriott Rewards** program to be eligible to receive the Athletic VIP Card and you must present the VIP card when you check in for a reservation made at a discounted rate. To take advantage of the discounts offered by Marriott, simply use the code "VIP" as the "Corporate/Promotional Code" when making a reservation. Please note that the VIP cards are created individually and mailed separately from your regular membership materials. Thus, your card may take several weeks to arrive after you join the FWAA or renew your membership. If you are not part of the Marriott Rewards program, you may [enroll online](#). For questions about the Marriott Athletic VIP Card, contact George Schroeder (gschroeder@aol.com or 541-953-4080).

- **Hertz Corporate Discount Plan (CDP) Card:** As a member of the FWAA, you are entitled to discounts offered by Hertz. To take advantage of the discounts, simply enter the FWAA's CDP code (1597431) when you make your reservation. Hertz no longer prints CDP cards, but you may [download your card](#) from the FWAA website. The card also includes codes for additional discounts. If you are a Hertz #1 Club member, you

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Outland Trophy watch list unveiled

The 2010 Outland Trophy Watch List has been announced by the Football Writers Association of America. The prestigious list gives football fans the first glimpse at a great crop of college offensive and defensive tackles, offensive guards and centers.

The FWA will consider other players for the 2010 Outland Trophy Watch List and will also delete players as the season progresses. The FWA All-America Committee will select three finalists in late November and eventually the overall winner.

The Outland Trophy, presented annually since 1946, is the third oldest award in major college football. The Outland Trophy is named after the late John Outland, an All-America lineman at Penn and Kansas at the turn of the century. The 2010 winner will be announced on the Home Depot ESPNU College Football Awards Show on Dec. 9.

The Outland Trophy presentation banquet, sponsored by the Greater Omaha Sports Committee, will be on Jan. 13 in Omaha, Neb.



FWAA President Tim Griffin presents the Outland Trophy to 2009 winner Ndamukong Suh of Nebraska.

OUTLAND TROPHY WATCH LIST

Sam Acho, Texas (DT)
 Marvin Austin, North Carolina (DT)
 Tim Barnes, Missouri [C]
 Colin Baxter, Arizona [C]
 Sean Bedford, Georgia Tech [C]
 Chase Beeler, Stanford [C]
 Clint Boling, Georgia (OT)
 Justin Boren, Ohio State (OG)
 Cory Brandon, Oklahoma (OT)
 Mike Brewster, Ohio State [C]
 Bryant Browning, Ohio State (OG)
 Marcus Cannon, TCU (OT)
 Gabe Carimi, Wisconsin (OT)
 James Carpenter, Alabama (OT)
 Jurrell Casey, Southern Cal (DT)
 Anthony Castonzo, Boston College (OT)
 Thomas Claiborne, Boston College (OG)
 Jared Crick, Nebraska (DT)
 Blake DeChristopher, Virginia Tech (OT)
 Art Forst, Rutgers (OG)

Marcus Forston, Miami, Fla. (DT)
 Orlando Franklin, Miami, Fla. (OT)
 Anthony Gray, Southern Miss (DT)
 Lawrence Guy, Arizona State (DT)
 Ben Habern, Oklahoma [C]
 Kyle Hix, Texas (OT)
 Rodney Hudson, Florida State (OG)
 Omar Hunter, Florida (DT)
 Rod Huntley, Texas-El Paso (OG)
 Zach Hurd, Connecticut (OG)
 Benjamin Ijalana, Villanova (OT)
 Andrew Jackson, Fresno State (OG)
 Jarvis Jenkins, Clemson (DT)
 Carl Johnson, Florida (OG)
 Barrett Jones, Alabama (OG)
 Ben Jones, Florida [C]
 Jake Kirkpatrick, TCU [C]
 Karl Klug, Iowa (DT)
 Ben Lamaak, Iowa State [C]
 DeMarcus Love, Arkansas (OT)
 Ryan McMahon, Florida State [C]
 Ryan Miller, Colorado (G)

Drake Nevis, LSU (DT)
 Kristofer O'Dowd, Southern Cal [C]
 Josh Oglesby, Wisconsin (OT)
 Stephen Paea, Oregon State (DT)
 Alan Pelc, North Carolina (OG)
 Jason Pinkston, Pittsburgh (OT)
 Ken Plue, Purdue (OG)
 Nate Potter, Boise State (G)
 Mike Pouncey, Florida [C]
 Jerrell Powe, Mississippi (DT)
 Matt Reynolds, BYU (OT)
 Trevor Robinson, Notre Dame (OT)
 Stephen Schilling, Michigan (OG)
 Caleb Schlauderaff, Utah (OG)
 Nate Solder, Colorado (OT)
 Adrian Taylor, Oklahoma (DT)
 Zane Taylor, Utah [C]
 Bo Thran, Oregon (OT)
 Muhammad Wilkerson, Temple (DT)
 Stefen Wisniewski, Penn St. (OG)
 Lee Ziemba, Auburn (OT)

Early Nagurski nominees revealed

The 2010 Bronko Nagurski Watch List features the best and brightest of the upcoming season's defensive players. One of the more than 70 players on the list most likely will receive the Bronko Nagurski Trophy that is awarded annually to the nation's best defensive player by the FWAA and the Charlotte Touchdown Club.

Players may be added or deleted to the Bronko Nagurski Watch List during the season. Each week during the 2010 season, the FWAA will choose a Defensive Player of the Week. If that player is not on the Watch List, he automatically will be added. The FWAA and the Charlotte Touchdown Club will announce five finalists for the Bronko Nagurski Trophy on November 18.

The annual Bronko Nagurski Trophy Banquet will be on Dec. 6 at the Westin Hotel in Charlotte, N.C. Besides the 2010 winner being announced, the banquet will also celebrate the winner of the Bronko Nagurski Legends Award, presented by CSX Intermodal. Defensive tackle Mike McCoy, a standout for Notre Dame, is being honored from the FWAA's 1969 All-American team.



Oregon State's Stephen Paea

Nagurski Watch List

Sam Acho, Texas
 Prince Amukamara, Nebraska
 Marvin Austin, North Carolina
 Akeem Ayers, UCLA
 Allen Bailey, Miami, FI
 Mark Barron, Alabama
 Jeremy Beal, Oklahoma
 Nick Bellore, Michigan
 Chris Borland, Wisconsin
 Da'Quan Bowers, Clemson
 Curtis Brown, Texas
 Vontaze Burfict, Arizona St
 Tank Carder, TCU
 Bruce Carter, North Carolina
 Adrian Clayborn, Iowa
 Jared Crick, Nebraska
 Marcell Dareus, Alabama
 Ras-I Dowling, Virginia
 Brian Duncan, Texas Tech
 Chris Galippo, USC
 Stephon Gilmore, South Carolina
 Brandon Harris, Miami, FI
 Mario Harvey, Marshall
 Mark Herzlich, Boston College
 Cameron Heyward, Ohio St

Dont'a Hightower, Alabama
 Ross Homan, Ohio St
 Justin Houston, Georgia
 Jarvis Jenkins, Clemson
 Janoris Jenkins, Florida
 Tejay Johnson, TCU
 Greg Jones, Michigan St
 Thomas Keiser, Stanford
 Noah Keller, Ohio
 Shiloh Keo, Idaho
 Ryan Kerrigan, Purdue
 Luke Kuechly, Boston College
 Mark LeGree, Appalachian St
 Travis Lewis, Oklahoma
 Chris Marve, Vanderbilt
 Cliff Matthews, South Carolina
 DeAndre McDaniel, Clemson
 Marcus McGraw, Houston
 Josh McNary, Army
 Carmen Messina, New Mexico
 Von Miller, Texas A&M
 Bruce Miller, Central Florida
 Dontay Moch, Nevada
 Mike Mohamed, California
 Rahim Moore, UCLA

Stephen Paea, Oregon St
 Patrick Peterson, LSU
 Jerrell Powe, Mississippi
 Robert Quinn, North Carolina
 Adrian Robinson, Temple
 Greg Romeus, Pittsburgh
 Kenny Rowe, Oregon
 Robert Sands, West Virginia
 Tyler Sash, Iowa
 JK Schaffer, Cincinnati
 Kelvin Sheppard, LSU
 Aldon Smith, Missouri
 Craig Stevens, Auburn
 Quan Sturdivant, North Carolina
 Manti Te'o, Notre Dame
 JT Thomas, West Virginia
 Trevin Wade, Arizona
 JJ Watt, Wisconsin
 Aaron Williams, Texas
 Korey Williams, Southern Miss
 Lawrence Wilson, Connecticut
 Ryan Winterswyk, Boise St
 Anthony Wright, Air Force
 Alex Wujciak, Maryland

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Athletic Conference (SWAC) championships after joining the league in 1959. His Tigers claimed nine Black College Football Championships during his career spent.

Robinson, who was named by the FWA in 1966 as "The Coach Who Made the Biggest Contribution to College Football in the Past 25 Years," took his show often on the road to places such as the Louisiana Superdome, the Cotton Bowl, the Astrodome, Tiger Stadium and aforementioned Yankee Stadium. And with his star-studded array of African American players, Robinson helped integrate professional football.

In 1949, Grambling standout Tank Younger was the first player from a Historically Black College to sign with an NFL Team (Los Angeles Rams). By 1963, Buck Buchanan became the first player from a Historically Black College to be selected first overall in the professional draft (American Football League by the Kansas City Chiefs). Over the years, Robinson produced a Who's Who of professional football players, with more than 200 of his former players dotting professional rosters.

In 1975, with one of his greatest teams quarterbacked by eventual All-Pro Doug Williams, Robinson's Grambling team and Alcorn State became the first college teams to play a game in Louisiana the Superdome. The next season, Robinson's Tigers, along with Morgan State became the first American college football teams to play in Japan.

A member of the College Football Hall of Fame, Robinson has the keys to cities all over the planet, has been awarded in every form and fashion and has honorary degrees from many schools.

Last February, the Eddie Robinson Museum was

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computers can use the information on a stick or a website as quickly as if they had the computer in front of them.

That might be true, but ask those reporters who were trying to cover the Georgia-Florida game in Jacksonville where the Gator Bowl's spotty wireless system struggled to accommodate all of the users. And other facilities don't have wireless access, leaving fact-checking forays on deadline a harrowing concept.

So before we do away with printed media guides, forgive me for buying an extra bookcase or two for my home. Something tells me that more room is needed for some of the most prized items of my collection before they are done away with completely.

opened in his honor in Grambling, La., where numerous memorabilia now reside, including a bust of the Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award.

The FWA, Fiesta Bowl and Eddie Robinson and family have been joined together since the 1998 football season. The FWA Coach of the Year Award took on the legendary Coach Robinson as its namesake during the 1997 football season, his final season as Grambling's coach.

Over the past 14 years, among the winners have included Alabama's Nick Saban, Florida's Urban Meyer, Rutgers' Greg Schiano, Virginia Tech's Frank Beamer, Ohio State's Jim Tressel, Oklahoma's Bob Stoops and Maryland's Ralph Friedgen.

The FWA has chosen a Coach of the Year since the 1957 football season, when Ohio State's Woody Hayes won the inaugural award. The winning coach is selected by a vote of the entire membership after finalists are nominated by the FWA All-America Committee and placed on a ballot.

FWA Awards Calendar

- **Nov. 8:** All-America defense ballots sent to membership
- **Nov. 14:** All-America defense selection committee call
- **Nov. 15:** All-America offense/special teams ballots sent to membership
- **Nov. 16:** Eddie Robinson finalists announced
- **Nov. 18:** Announcement of five Bronko Nagurski Trophy finalists
- **Nov. 21:** All-America offense/special teams selection committee call
- **Nov. 22:** Announcement of three Outland Trophy finalists
- **Dec. 6:** Bronko Nagurski Trophy announcement/presentation (Charlotte, N.C.)
- **Dec. 6:** Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year announcement/presentation (New York City)
- **Dec. 9:** Announcement of Outland Trophy winner (Home Depot ESPNU College Football Awards Show)
- **Dec. 11:** Announcement of 25-man FWA All-America Team (ABC-TV)
- **Jan. 3:** FedEx Orange Bowl Courage Award on-field presentation (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.)
- **Jan. 10:** Freshman All-America Team announced (Scottsdale, Ariz.)
- **Jan. 11:** Grantland Rice Trophy announcement/presentation (Tentative, Scottsdale, Ariz.)
- **Jan. 13:** Outland Trophy presentation banquet (Omaha, Neb.)

Hairston was always out to get story

Editor's Note: Jack Hairston, the FWAA's 1990 Bert McGrane winner and the association's president in 1982, passed away on May 15, 2010, in Gainesville, Fla., at the age of 81. The following is a profile of Hairston previously written by FWAA member Gene Duffey.

Jack Hairston worked for the *Jacksonville Journal* in January 1968 when he attempted to interview Joe Namath. The New York Jets quarterback was in town for the American Football League All-Star Game. Hairston met Namath at 10 a.m. in the hotel lobby.

"He was nice as could be," said Hairston. "I walked around with him for 15 minutes. He introduced me to other players. Then I asked him to sit down for an interview."

"I don't have time for no sports writers," replied Namath.

Hairston went to the East team's practice that day and received the same type of rejection from Namath after practice. Later, Hairston attempted to call Namath at the hotel, but the operator told him that all calls to Namath's room were blocked.

"I went back to the paper and blistered the son of a bitch," said Hairston, who joined the FWAA in 1954. "I must have gotten 250 letters. Most of them were pro Namath."

Of course, it didn't help Hairston's cause that Namath threw for 249 yards in the game, scored the winning touchdown on a sneak with 58 seconds to play in a 25-24 East victory and shared Offensive MVP honors with receiver and Jets teammate Don Maynard.

Hairston started out as "a wannabe athlete" at Indianola High School in Mississippi. He began stringing for the *Memphis Commercial Appeal* at 16. By age 18 he was working full time for the *Morning Star* in Greenwood, Miss.

"I was sports editor, city editor, managing editor," he said. "That was a pretty good education. The paper was on the verge of going broke."

He also attended Sunflower Junior College in Moorhead, Miss., for a year. After four years at the newspaper, he joined the Army in 1951 and served in Korea.

Hairston returned in 1952 to become assistant sports editor of the *Jackson (Miss.) Daily News*, where he worked with Jimmie McDowell, the 2000 Bert McGrane winner. He switched to the new *Jackson State Times* in 1956.

Hairston then moved to the *New Orleans Item* covering LSU in 1956 and '57. Next stop Jacksonville. Hairston became sports editor and, in addition to his run in with Namath, covered the University of Florida and wrote columns.

He covered many big time events while working for the *Jacksonville Journal*, including the World Series and the Super Bowl.

"I remember Casey Stengel would sit in the press room and tell stories until 1 or 2 o'clock in the morning," Hairston said of the 1957 World Series. He covered the New York Mets upset of Baltimore in 1969 and 13 Super Bowls.

Jacksonville was the Triple A baseball affiliate of the St. Louis Cardinals in those days. Branch Rickey, the famous general manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, served as an adviser to the Cardinals, giving Hairston the chance to meet him.

"I had been an admirer of his from a distance for years," said Hairston. "He was a brilliant man. A lot of people told me he was the smartest baseball man they knew."

The Gator Bowl was one of the biggest events in Jacksonville and in those days there was true competition in the newspaper business.

"There was always a battle to find out who the Gator Bowl teams would be," said Hairston. "I prided myself in getting them before they released it."

In 1968, Gator Bowl officials were determined not to let the story leak out ahead of time, particularly to Hairston. He was in the press room one day and picked up the phone. Somehow he ended up on a conference call among Gator Bowl and Missouri officials about the Tigers' matchup with Alabama in the Gator Bowl. Gator Bowl officials were completely befuddled when the story appeared in the paper the next day.

There was a brief stint with the *Atlanta Constitution* as executive sports editor before landing in Gainesville in 1971.

After leaving the *Gainesville Sun* in 1991, Hairston started "Gator Pipeline," his own weekly newsletter devoted to Florida football.

He looked back on his career with very few regrets.

"I had a good run, met a lot of interesting people," he said.

But the demise of the newspaper game saddened him. "It's not a good business to be in anymore. TV's gobbling up all the advertising money."



Jack Hairston

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- **Rivals.com Subscription:** The online leader in recruiting information offers FWAA members complimentary annual subscriptions (a \$99 value). To apply for your subscription, you must contact Pat Tholey at (ptholey@rivals.com or 615-507-1033) to request that an individual account is created for you. There is not a generic login. All Rivals.com subscriptions are subject to the approval of Rivals.com management and can be revoked at any time. If you are experiencing issues with this offer, contact Ted Gangi (ted.gangi@sportswriters.net or 214-909-9314).

- **Media Guide Disc:** For the 2009 season, the FWAA, in partnership with collegepressbox.com and the AT&T Cotton Bowl Classic, produced a media guide data DVD. The disc included all available Division I FBS media guides from the 120 schools and 11 conferences. The disc also included the three key NCAA publications (Records Book, Rules Book and Statisticians' Manual). This season, collegepressbox.com plans to include media guides from the Division I FCS schools that appear on FBS schedules. If NCAA legislation eliminates printed

media guides and/or schools choose not to produce electronic versions of their guides (i.e. in PDF format), the disc may not be produced this season. For questions about the media guide disc, contact Ted Gangi (ted.gangi@sportswriters.net or 214-909-9314).

- **Phil Steele Magazine:** Since 2008, Phil Steele has extended a special offer to FWAA members. Each FWAA member receives a complimentary copy of his national preseason magazine. Again, this is a benefit that can only be guaranteed if your dues are paid by June 25. Once the magazine goes to print, copies will be mailed to active members. For questions, contact Ted Gangi (ted.gangi@sportswriters.net or 214-909-9314).

- **StuffBak.com Discount:** StuffBak, the leading provider of permanent identity labels, has teamed with the FWAA to offer a 10 percent online discount to members. To take advantage of this offer, all you have to do is pick out the set of labels you would like and order them directly through StuffBak.com. When you check out, simply enter the promotion code – **sportswriters** – in the order form of your shopping cart and you will automatically get the discounted price. For questions about this benefit, contact Ted Gangi (ted.gangi@sportswriters.net or 214-909-9314).



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