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AA Conf. announces 2024 kickoff attendees and fan engagement opportunities

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 15, 2024 – University of Memphis football head coach Ryan Silverfield along with quarterback Seth Henigan and linebacker Chandler Martin will take part in the 2024 American Kickoff event Monday and Tuesday, July 22-23 in Arlington, Texas.

For the first time, The American is inviting fans to participate in the annual event. Fans wishing to attend the event at Loews Arlington can register at <http://www.theamerican.org/aa-kickoff>

Twenty-eight student-athletes are scheduled to attend this year's Kickoff. Media sessions will begin at 2 p.m. on Monday and will continue Tuesday morning with press conferences with the 14 head coaches. The results of The American's preseason media poll will be announced at 8 a.m. and Commissioner Tim Perneti

will deliver his remarks Tuesday at 8:15 a.m.

In addition to the Tuesday press conferences, student-athletes and coaches will be available for breakout sessions during specified times on Tuesday and upon request during their scheduled Monday-afternoon block.

A limited number of fans will be able to experience the 2024 Kickoff in-person to gain unprecedented access to players and coaches. Fans will have the opportunity to sit in on press conferences, take part in photo opportunities and enjoy meet-and-greets with the student-athletes and coaches.

For complete information on Memphis Tigers Football, visit www.GoTigersGo.com and follow the team's social media channels on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.

Training Camp: Back Together Weekend Presented by YouTube highlights big club-led fan events, July 27-28

All 32 Clubs Will Kick Off Training Camp with Team-Led Fanfests Featuring Flag Football, Youth Activities and Community Activations

NFL Network, NFL+, ABC and ESPN to Provide Complete Coverage Including Practices, Player Interviews, Fan Celebrations and More

NEW YORK — July 16, 2024 — For the fourth-consecutive year, all 32 clubs will kick off Training Camp by holding practices with club-led fan events. Training Camp: Back Together Weekend Presented by YouTube TV will feature celebrations from July 27 to July 28, including two full days of practices, player interviews, mic'd up moments, behind-the-scenes content and club-led fanfests across the league.

NFL Network, NFL+, ABC and ESPN will provide complete coverage of all the action, including practices, player interviews, behind-the-scenes moments and fanfests all over the country. Beginning at 10 a.m. ET on July 27 and continuing at 3:00 p.m. ET on July 28, NFL Network will provide 16 hours of live coverage over the two days as teams across the league hit the field. NFL Network's "Inside Training Camp" coverage begins Monday, July 29 and provides daily coverage of training camps through Wednesday, Aug. 7.

"With extensive NFL Network and ESPN/ABC coverage of all 32 teams, Back Together Weekend Presented by YouTube TV will give fans a first look at their favorite players and team's roster before the season," said Peter

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253 Memphis student athletes named to the ACC All-Academic Team, earning honors

IRVING, Texas, July 12, 2024 – The University of Memphis athletics' success in the classroom continues as the American Athletic Conference (AAC) announced its 2023-24 All-Academic Team on Friday, with 253 Tiger student-athletes earning academic honors.

Nominations for the All-Academic Team are submitted by each of the AAC's member institutions. To be eligible for the honor, a nominee must have competed in an American Athletic Conference-sponsored sport, attained a minimum grade-point average of 3.00 for the preceding academic year, and completed a minimum of two consecutive semesters or three consecutive quarters of academic work, with a total of 18 semester or 27 quarter credits, not including remedial courses.

The American's 3,532 All-Academic selections shatters the previous conference record of 3,299

selections from the 2019-20 season.

"Congratulations to all of our remarkable student-athletes who earned their place on the American Athletic Conference All-Academic Team," said AAC Commissioner Tim Perneti. "Our conference and its elite university membership keeps the true mission of education through sport in focus and emphasizes the balance of competing at the highest level in the classroom and in sport. We are so proud to have a record number of All-Academic selections, which is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our exceptional student-athletes."

The 253 AAC All-Academic honorees add to an already incredible 2023-24 year in the classroom for the Tigers. In June, UofM Athletics announced a record-setting NCAA Academic Progress Rate (APR) re-

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Deckorators named presenting sponsor of 18 Green Courtyard at the FedEx St. Jude Championship at TPC Southwind

Marks Deckorators' first on-site activation since partnership with PGA TOUR was announced.

MEMPHIS, Tennessee – Tournament officials announced that Deckorators, the nation's leading creator and supplier of innovative outdoor products, has been named as presenting sponsor of the 18 Green Courtyard at the 2024 FedEx St. Jude Championship, returning to TPC Southwind August 14-18.

"We are thrilled to welcome Deckorators as the presenting sponsor of the 18 Green Courtyard, and we are honored they



have entrusted us to host their first ever on-site activation at a PGA TOUR event," said Joe Tomek, Executive Director of the FedEx St. Jude Championship. "Deckorators' commitment to excellence aligns perfectly with our mission, and we look forward to elevating our fan experience by featuring their unique product on our signature

finishing hole, No. 18 at TPC Southwind."

A longtime innovator in outdoor living, Deckorators provides premier decking, railing, and outdoor accessories to builders and contractors as well as to homeowners tackling renovations themselves. Deckorators is the industry's largest supplier of railing, balusters, and accessories options to create customized outdoor living environments.

"Our involvement with the

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Blackburn and Burchett congratulate Volunteers on College World Series victory with a resolution

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.) and Representative Tim Burchett (R-Tenn.), joined by the entire Tennessee delegation, led a resolution congratulating the University of Tennessee on winning their first College World Series National Championship in program history. "Tennesseans will remember the Vols' historic 2024 season for many years to come," said Sena-

tor Blackburn. "Led by a record five players with more than 20 home runs, the Vols won 60 games, the SEC regular season, and the SEC tournament on their way to winning the National Championship. It is an honor to introduce a resolution to officially congratulate the student-athletes, coaches, administrators, and fans on a great season." "This team achieved greatness

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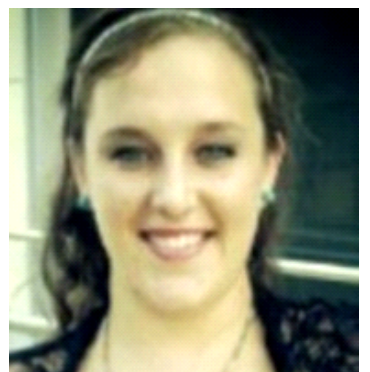
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