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Bill Dance Signature Lakes signs as sponsor of 2024 Strike King Bassmaster High School National Championship

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — B.A.S.S. has announced a partnership with Bill Dance Signature Lakes to help connect the world's most-loved angler with some of Tennessee's greatest natural resources — its lakes.

The Bill Dance Signature Lakes program's goal is to make Tennessee a best-in-class destination for anglers worldwide — beginners, experts and every skill level in between.

As part of the partnership, Bill Dance Signature Lakes also is sponsoring the 2024 Strike King Bassmaster High School National Championship presented by Bill Dance Signature Lakes at Chickamauga Lake in Dayton, Tenn., Aug. 1-3.

"We're excited to partner with Bill Dance Signature Lakes for the High School National Championship," said B.A.S.S. CEO Chase Anderson. "B.A.S.S. is proud to honor Bill's legacy, and the partnership with his Signature Lakes program will benefit anglers not just in Tennessee, but anglers worldwide as they discover some of the best bodies of water in the United States."

"We're excited about the partnership with B.A.S.S. and couldn't think of a better partner to join



forces with to showcase the Bill Dance Signature Lakes project," said Tennessee Department of Tourist Development Chief Customer Officer Dennis Tumlin. "And Chickamauga Lake is a great highlight of the amazing fisheries in Tennessee that are part of the project."

Ten large reservoirs feature Bill Dance Signature Lake access points constructed to a standard of excellence endorsed and designed by Bill Dance Outdoors in collaboration with Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, Tennessee State Parks and Tennessee Department of Tourist Development. These 10 reservoirs include "Bill Dance Signature Lake access areas" with new or improved assets driving economic activity year-round for each surrounding community.

In addition, four "small venue" lakes entice anglers of all ages

and experience levels to enjoy the outdoors while experiencing an above-average catch rate.

The Signature Lakes include: •10 large reservoirs - Chickamauga Lake, Dale Hollow Lake, Douglas Lake, Kentucky Lake, Norris Lake, Old Hickory Lake, Pickwick Lake, Reelfoot Lake, Tims Ford Lake and Watauga Lake.

•Four "small venue lakes" – Brown's Creek Lake, Fall Creek Falls Lake, Herb Parsons Lake and Lake Halford.

About Bill Dance

Bill Dance, professional bass fishing's first superstar, began competing — and winning — in bass tournaments in the early 1960s. With more than 2,000 shows under his belt since 1968, he has educated millions of fishing enthusiasts as host and producer of Bill Dance Outdoors and Bill Dance Saltwater, airing respectively on the Outdoor Channel and Sportsman Channel. Dance oversees a fishing empire from his production studio in Collierville, Tenn., that includes his TV shows, tackle endorsements, how-to seminars, and a series of popular "blooper" videos. Dance has written seven books and his articles have been published in Sports Afield, Field & Stream, Bassmaster® Magazine, Outdoor Life and more.

Bill Dance's accomplishments, techniques and fishing savvy have been recognized through countless awards alongside a fishing career that encompasses 23 national B.A.S.S. titles, three Bassmaster Angler of the Year titles, 52 Top 10 B.A.S.S. finishes and eight Bassmaster Classic qualifications. Country superstar Luke Bryan celebrated the fishing legend in 2020 with the release of his song titled "Bill Dance." In 2021, Dance received his honorary doctorate from the University of Tennessee for his outstanding contributions to the sport. For more than five decades, Bill Dance has served as an ambassador to the state of Tennessee, always filmed or photographed wearing his trademark orange and white University of Tennessee cap.

About B.A.S.S.

B.A.S.S., which encompasses the Bassmaster tournament leagues, events and media platforms, is the worldwide authority on bass fishing and keeper of the culture of the sport, providing cutting edge content on bass fishing whenever, wherever and however bass fishing fans want to use it. Headquartered in Birmingham, Ala., the 500,000-member organization's fully integrated media platforms include the industry's leading magazines (Bassmaster and B.A.S.S. Times), website (Bassmaster.com), TV show, radio show, social media programs and events. For more than 50 years, B.A.S.S. has been dedicated to access, conservation and youth fishing.

The Bassmaster Tournament Trail includes the most prestigious events at each level of competition, including the Bassmaster Elite Series, St. Croix Bassmaster Opens Series presented by SEVIIN, Mercury B.A.S.S. Nation Qualifier Series presented by Lowrance, Strike King Bassmaster College Series presented by Bass Pro Shops, Strike King Bassmaster High School Series, Bass Pro Shops Bassmaster Team Championship, Yamaha Rightwaters Bassmaster Kayak Series scored by TourneyX, Yamaha Bassmaster Redfish Cup Championship presented by Skeeter and the ultimate celebration of competitive fishing, the Bass Pro Shops Bassmaster Classic presented by Jockey Outdoors.

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in accordance with this title, or both." Likewise, under 47 U.S.C. Section 559, "[w]hoever transmits over any cable system any matter which is obscene or otherwise unprotected by the Constitution of the United States shall be fined under Title 18 or imprisoned not more than 2 years, or both." Section 73.3999 of the Commission's rules, applicable to broadcast stations, bans the broadcast of obscene material and prohibits radio and television broadcasts of indecent material between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.

"The blasphemous Olympics' Opening Ceremony which included, among other obscene and indecent acts, a man partially exposing himself around children, is patently offensive for any sensible American and requires immediate FCC action against NBC" said Judicial Watch President Tom Fitton. "The Justice Department should also launch an investigation, especially given the use of children in this obscene and indecent NBC broadcast."

Any person can file a complaint about the NBC broadcast directly with the FCC: https://consumercomplaints.fcc.gov/hc/en-us/articles/27646986117268-TV-For m-Descriptions-of-Complaint-Issues.

Colby Cox named to the Patrick Mannelly Award Watch List for top long snapper honors presented by Zebra Technologies for 'unsung workhorses'

MEMPHIS, Tenn. July 29, 2024 – University of Memphis long snapper Colby Cox was named to The Patrick Mannelly Award watch list for the top long snapper in FBS, the organization announced Monday. The Patrick Mannelly Award presented by Zebra Technologies is 'a vehicle through which football's unsung workhorses can bask in the glow of appreciation.' Cox, a Third Team Preseason All-AAC selection by Phil Steele, was a member of the 10-3, 2023 AutoZone Liberty Bowl champion Tigers while appearing in all 13 games as the long snapper. For more information about The Patrick Mannelly Award, please visit https://patrickmannellyaward.com Memphis football fans can see

the Tigers at Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium in the team's season opener on Saturday, Aug. 31 with a four-pack of tickets that includes a parking pass for only \$69. The season opener against North Alabama is the annual "901 Game," and the 901 Game Four-Pack can be purchased at www.gotigersgo.com.. The cost of the 901 Game Four-Pack will increase to \$89 on Aug. 1 if supplies remain.

The Pick Three Mini Plan is an additional option available that gives fans the flexibility to pick from any three Tiger home football games during the 2024 season at Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium, starting at just \$69.

To catch all of the action in the highly-anticipated 2024 Mem-

phis Football season, fans can also purchase season tickets at GoTigersGo.com, in person at the Memphis Ticket Office or by calling the office at (901) 678-2331.For complete information on Memphis Tigers Football, visit www.GoTigersGo.com and follow on social media channels on X (Twitter), Instagram and Facebook.

An Editorial Comment from The Mid-South Tribune:

"Real women should play in women's sports!"

FedEx St. Jude Championship offers specials for military members

For members of the military community, FedEx St. Jude Championship is excited to welcome you to **Patriot's Outpost, presented by Big River Steel.** With a valid military ID, enjoy a shaded venue on No. 8 green exclusively for military members and veterans.

The FedEx St.Jude Championship begins August 14 thru August 18.

See more FedEx St.Jude Championship highlights on sports page 1 and 4.



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