

NCAA Division III men's basketball with 667 wins.

Coaching more than 900 games for the Diplomats, Coach Robinson has compiled a historic record. He has won more games than any other college basketball coach in Pennsylvania. Historically, he is one of only 41 coaches in collegiate basketball history to have won 600 games.

Among the top thirty coaches on all levels of the NCAA, Coach Robinson holds the tenth best winning percentage of all time. That puts him in the elite company of coaching legends like John Wooden, Jerry Tarkanian, Dean Smith, Don Meyer, Jim Boeheim, Lute Olson, Phog Allen, and Mike Krzyzewski.

Robinson, who will be inducted into the West Chester Hall of Fame on February 13, has guided the Diplomats to the Division III Final Four four times (1979, 1991, 1996 and 2000) and was named the Basketball Times Division III "Coach of the Year" in 1991. He has earned conference and National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) regional "Coach of the Year" honors 11 times.

But Coach Robinson isn't just about winning basketball games. He produces young men who are winners in life as well. You can't talk about records and winning percentage without mentioning the players who have made it possible. Part of his success has been the players with whom he has worked. Players like Will Lasky (1991 honorable mention, 1992 first team), Don Marsh (1977 & 1979 second team), Jeremiah Henry (1996 first team), Phil Hoeker (1989 honorable mention), Dave Janetta (1994 honorable mention, 1995 third team, 1995 second team), Dennis Westley (1981 second team) and Alex Kraft (2000 first team, 2001 honorable mention) all earned All-America honors under Robinson.

Unlike most Division I schools, which measure graduation rate based on the percentage of 4-year players who get a degree, Coach Robinson has a different standard. During his tenure, all but one player to earn a varsity letter in basketball has earned a degree, a statistic which few, if any, other college in the Nation can boast.

Coach Robinson grew up in Yeadon, Pennsylvania, just outside of Philadelphia and played high school basketball at nearby Aldan Lansdowne High before continuing his studies at West Chester University. At West Chester, he played collegiate baseball and basketball for the Division II Rams before graduating in 1967, earning a masters degree a year later.

Robinson joined the F&M basketball coaching staff in 1968 under Hall of Fame coach and athletic trainer Chuck Taylor. In 1971, he took over the Diplomats' when Taylor resigned to focus on his athletic training responsibilities.

His first win came on December 7, 1971 in Mayser Gymnasium, as Franklin & Marshall men's basketball team, then sporting an 0-2 record downed Western Maryland College 80-51. Robinson went on to lead the 1971-72 Diplomats to a 7-14 record with wins over Western Maryland, Eastern, Penn State-Harrisburg, Haverford, Juniata, Messiah and a season concluding 68-51 victory over Drexel University.

In 1973 the team improved to 11-13 as Coach Robinson put the pieces in place to build a successful program.

In 1974, Robinson and the Diplomats snapped their 10-year span of losing records,

with 13-11 season record, the team's most wins for a Franklin and Marshall men's basketball team since its 13-6 showing in 1959.

In 1976, Coach Robinson set the school win record with a 17-8 record, erasing the 16 win seasons of Woody Sponaugle in 1952, J. Shober Barr in 1941 and Robinson's own mark from the 1975 season.

In 1977, he broke his own record with 22 wins. And he did it again in 1979 with 27, 1991 with 28 and 1996 with 29.

His career win total accounts for an astonishing 60 percent of the total collegiate wins in Franklin & Marshall men's basketball history (1,115) since the inception of the sport in 1899-1900 under H.S. Wingert.

Coach Robinson is a pillar in our community and has built a program known for the success of its teams on the court and its players off of it.

I commend Coach Robinson for reaching this historic milestone. He has earned it. He deserves every accolade and award he receives.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO DR. J. ALAN SHAND

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 10, 2004

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a solemn heart that I rise to pay tribute to the passing of a great man from my district. Dr. J. Alan Shand was a beloved member of his community and a staple in most of their lives. He will be remembered as a valued member of the La Junta, Colorado community and I am honored to bring his many contributions to the attention of this body of Congress and nation today.

Following service in World War II, Dr. Shand moved to La Junta in 1946 along with his wife and son and he found a job at Mennonite Hospital. They expanded their family to include another son and daughter. During Dr. Shand's career he was not only one of the town's most beloved doctors but he also helped deliver a gift to hundreds of families: babies. Wanting to be a doctor since he was young, Dr. Shand reached his goal and then went beyond.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Shand, a humble man with a great disposition, was a pillar of his community. Dr. Shand brought many young ones into this world and continued to touch their lives from that day forward. It is with great sadness that we mourn his loss. I join this body of Congress in paying tribute to his good works and fine example. My heart goes out to Dr. Shand's loved ones and to his community during this difficult time of bereavement.

TRIBUTE TO DEPUTY COMMISSIONER R. LEWIS SHAW, SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

HON. JOHN M. SPRATT, JR.

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 10, 2004

Mr. SPRATT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor R. Lewis Shaw of South Carolina for his serv-

ice to our state and great contribution to our environment. Lewis Shaw is retiring as Deputy Commissioner of the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC), a position he has held since 1984. During his long tenure, Lewis Shaw has become equated with DHEC and the whole gamut of environmental regulation: clean air, clean water, toxic and nuclear waste disposal, and waste remediation. He has supervised the state's involvement in all aspects of the clean-up of Savannah River Site. His command of the issues and professional ability are such that Lewis Shaw has served as our state's chief environmental quality officer under both Republican and Democratic Governors.

Lewis Shaw was long ago recognized on the national as well as the state level. In 1985, Attorney General Meese appointed him to one of four State Environmental Directorships on the National Enforcement Council. He served on the Council from 1985-1990, and as Chairman in 1989. In 1988, Lewis Shaw helped create the Southern Environmental Enforcement Network (SEEN) to facilitate the enforcement of environmental statutes, rules and regulations in member states. He served as Chairman of Southern Environmental Enforcement Network in 1991.

Lewis Shaw was a member of the governing body which founded the Southern Appalachian Mountains Initiative (SAMI) in 1994. SAMI is an organization of stakeholders formed to explore the environmental stability of the Southern Appalachian Mountains and develop long-range plans to protect those resources. In 1997, Lewis Shaw was selected to serve as Chairman of SAMI. In 1999, he was elected President of the Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), the non-partisan organization of state environmental commissioners, after serving as secretary-treasurer and vice-president. From 2001-2004, Lewis Shaw served as President of the Environmental Research Institute of the States, ECOS's research arm.

Out of respect for him and his wide-ranging experience, Lewis Shaw has been called to testify before numerous committees of Congress, representing the views of South Carolina, and on occasion, all the states on environmental issues.

I have had the good fortune of working with Lewis Shaw on some tough issues: on the multiple problems at Savannah River Site, on a toxic waste landfill at Pinewood and a hazardous waste incinerator in Rock Hill; at Superfund sites in Cherokee and Chester Counties; on ozone exceedences in York County and ozone transport, and on clean water throughout my district. I could always count on Lewis Shaw to understand the problem and know the law, and to present solutions that were fair and feasible. He has been an asset to South Carolina for 33 years and to me for the 22 years that I have served in Congress. He will be sorely missed and hard to replace, but he leaves a great legacy: a much better environment and a model of performance that everyone in the field of environmental regulation would do well to emulate.