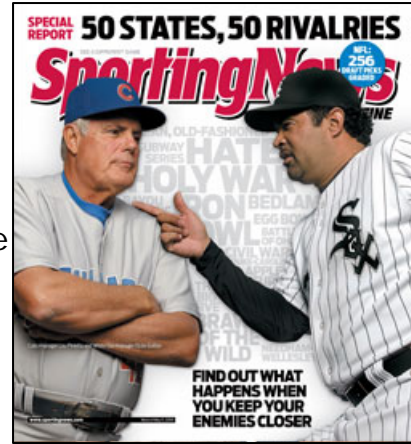


BSB Coach Josh King Featured in *Sporting News*

Batastini School of Basketball instructor Joshua King was featured in the May 11 issue of *Sporting News*. Coach King was highlighted in the article "50 States, 50 Rivalries." The rivalry between Providence College and the University of Rhode Island men's basketball programs was named the most significant sports rivalry in the state of Rhode Island. Tabbed as the two best men's basketball teams to come out of Rhode Island, the 1987 Providence College Final Four team was compared to the 1998 University of Rhode Island Elite 8 team.



"It's not like Rhode Island and Providence aren't still playing good basketball. But in 1987 (when the Friars reached the Final Four) and in 1998 (when the Rams were a minute away from a Final Four before losing to Stanford) they played some of their best. Which one of these terrific teams would have won had they met?"

King, starting power forward for the 1998 Elite 8 URI team, was given the edge when compared to the play of Providence College's starting power forward Jacek Duda. Described by *Sporting News* as a player that "helped others around him produce," Coach King continues that trend today with his tremendous coaching ability, making Batastini School of Basketball players better on a daily basis. To schedule a workout with Coach King, please contact BSB President Christina Batastini at 401.523.0055.