

Bears' Arcieri Named Player To Watch By ABCA

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Lenoir-Rhyne's Stephan Arcieri has been named a Player To Watch from the Southeast Region by the American Baseball Coaches Association.

The designation is part of the 2012 NCAA Division II ABCA/Rawlings Preseason All-American Team.

Arcieri, a senior outfielder from Roswell, Ga., finished third on the team last season in

hitting (.350) while starting 45 of the squad's 47 games. Arcieri also led the team in hits (62) to go along with 12 stolen bases, 35 runs scored, three triples, 76 total bases and 26 runs batted in.

Meanwhile, Lenoir-Rhyne freshman outfielder Ivan Vieitez has selected as a Newcomer To Watch. Vieitez is a native of Miami, Florida, and a graduate of Braddock High School.

Lenoir-Rhyne opens the season on Wednesday, February 1, when it travels to Misenheimer, N.C., to face Pfeiffer. First pitch is set for 2 p.m. Lenoir-Rhyne's first home game takes place on Wednesday, February 8, against Belmont Abbey at Bears Field beginning at 4 p.m. The Bears are coached by fifth-year mentor Paul Knight.

2012 NCAA Division II Baseball ABCA/Rawlings Preseason All-Americans

RHP - Scott Shipman, Augusta State, Jr.
C - John Roberts, Armstrong Atlantic State, Sr.
RHP - Scott Strickland, Armstrong Atlantic State, Sr.
2B - Austin Dubberly, Montevallo, Jr.
OF - Chris Ross, Montevallo, Sr.
RHP - Cameron Ward, Limestone, Jr.
OF - Dodson McPherson, Wingate, Sr.
1B - Brian Yeung, Wingate, Jr.
SS - Stephen Carmon, USC Aiken, Sr.
OF - Alexi Colon, Tusculum, Sr.
RHP - Don Sandifer, Francis Marion, Jr.

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OF - Buddy Sosnoskie, Francis Marion, Sr.
3B - Chris Dula, Catawba, So.
P - J.J. Jankowski, Catawba, Sr.
P - Nick Lomascolo, Catawba, Jr.
DH - Garrett Furr, Catawba, Jr.
RHP - Blake Hobby, North Georgia, Sr.
SS - Tanner Funk, Georgia College & State, Sr.
LHP - Mike Guinane, Georgia College & State, Jr.
OF/3B - Jake Rogers, Mount Olive, Sr.
OF - Ryan Lewis, Columbus State, Sr.
OF - Josh Haley, UNC Pembroke, Sr.
RP - Braxton Lewis, UNC Pembroke, Sr.

Players To Watch

CF - Justin Vasquez, Belmont Abbey, Sr.
RHP - Josh Barles, Augusta State, Jr.
P/1B - Erick Sanderson, Anderson, Jr.
INF - Drew Walker, Armstrong Atlantic State, Sr.
1B - Heath Peterson, Montevallo, Sr.
OF - Stephan Arcieri, Lenoir-Rhyne, Sr.
RHP - Cory Hopper, Lander, Sr.
RHP - Cameron Culp, Limestone, Jr.
1B - Kyle Koeneman, Carson-Newman, Sr.
RHP - Tyler Witzel, Coker, Jr.
1B - Randy O'Dell, Brevard, Sr.
OF - Casey Allison, Wingate, Sr.
RHP - Max Rusch, Flagler, Sr.
SS - Michael Bueker, Mars Hill, Sr.
3B/OF - Nick Aranas, USC Aiken, Sr.
RHP - Craig Goodman, Tusculum, Sr.
3B - Michael Wilson, Francis Marion, So.
P - John Tuttle, Catawba, So.
OF - Josh Young, Georgia College & State, Sr.

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OF - Antonio Callaway, Mount Olive, Sr.
RHP - Josh McElwee, Newberry, Sr.
RHP - Brad Isom, UNC Pembroke, Sr.
P/OF - Chase Corn, Erskine, So.
OF - Ryan Daughtry, Barton, Sr.
INF/C - Gelson Perez, Lincoln Memorial, Sr.

Newcomers To Watch

SS - Ian Vasquez, Belmont Abbey, So.
RHP - Dylan Wall, Augusta State, Jr.
P - Landon Beck, Anderson, Fr.
OF - Zach Taylor, Armstrong Atlantic State, Jr.
OF - Vincente Andrews, Montevallo, Jr.
OF - Ivan Vieitez, Lenoir-Rhyne, Fr.
OF - Ian Harvey, Lander, Jr.
C - Josh Lyon, Limestone, Sr.
INF - Bo Ausmus, Carson-Newman, Fr.
SS - Keith Wolf, Coker, Jr.
1B/DH - Tarron Robinson, Brevard, Sr.
LHP - Jordan Newsome, Wingate, Fr.
C - Brett Moreland, Flagler, Jr.
RHP - Josh Dean Mars Hill, Jr.
1B - Bill Gerstenslager, USC Aiken, Jr.
3B - Cade Stallings, Tusculum, Jr.
SS - Tyler Hibbs, Francis Marion, Jr.
P - Nate King, Catawba, Sr.
P - Brandon Agar, North Georgia, Fr.
1B - Karsten Streiby, Georgia College & State, Jr.
C - Geno Escalante, Mount Olive, Jr.
RHP - Will Robbins, Newberry, Fr.
SP - Jordan DeLoatch, UNC Pembroke, Fr.
P - Jon Sever, Erskine, Fr.
OF - Tyler Barrington, Barton, Jr.

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OF/INF - Curt Fuqua, Lincoln Memorial, Jr.

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