

# Tarkanian to be nominated for Hall of Fame



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*Jerry Tarkanian: A 1993 Hall of Fame inductee?*

by Che' Jones

He's the winningest active coach by winning percentage, only second to North Carolina's Dean Smith in number of wins and is being nominated for the basketball hall of fame.

His team's have won 12 regular season championships. In 29 years at the college level, his teams have won over 800 games. He boasts a 212-26 record at the junior college level and only twice have his teams lost more than 20 games.

The man? Jerry Tarkanian. He is considered by those in the world of college basketball to be one of the greatest of all time. UNLV's Director of Sport's Information Joe Hawk will submit his nomination for the hall of fame, class of 1993.

The induction will be one more achievement in the

Tarkanian era. In the last 1993.

19 years, Rebel fans have seen Tarkanian's teams make 11 NCAA tournament appearances, four Final Four appearances and a national championship.

The process for Tarkanian's nomination will not be a quick one. For the class of 1993, Tark's nomination must be submitted by July 1, 1993. The next step is in August, when a seven-member committee will vote on nominations. The nominee must receive at least five of seven votes to move on.

The next step is the honors committee which consists of 24 members. A candidate must receive at least 18 of the 24 votes to be considered. The top five nominees are inducted to the hall of fame and are announced during the NBA All-Star Weekend in February

Tarkanian has inspired many players and many he has coached have been honored to be members of his teams.

"Those of us that have played for coach Tarkanian are really happy for him. It would be hard to think of anyone who is more deserving of such an honor," said former basketball player David Rice.

Rice will join Tarkanian's coaching staff this season as a graduate assistant.

"Coach Tarkanian has put his whole life into making the game of basketball an even better game. Those of us who have played for him and coached with him know that the success he has enjoyed has been the just reward for his fine coaching ability and tremendous work ethic," Rice added.

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