

# College hoopsters' nicknames sport creative descriptions

What's in a name? A descriptive element used to designate an individual, place or thing, not all names are created equal.

In the world of sports, it's not the name a player brings to the competition that matters, it's the nickname. Monikers, pseudonyms, call them what you will, but nicknames color an athlete's performance, especially in college basketball, where they are used extensively.

When John Doe grabs a rebound the fans clap politely, but when Charles "the round mound of REBOOOOUND" tips a rebound down, the place goes crazy.

While at first it may seem that giving a player a good nickname is an easy process, one quickly becomes aware of the intricacies involved in the hanging of a moniker.



### Scott Ahlstrand

**CREATIVITY** First and foremost, a good nickname must be creative and original. A good nickname should be like a great painting — an individual entity with its own presence and statement.

**Rule 1:** A nickname loses its effectiveness if it is used more than once. Dwayne Washington is a super sophomore guard for the Syracuse Orangemen. A flashy player, Washington goes by the nickname "Pearl." It's not a bad nickname if it weren't for the fact that Earl "the Pearl" Monroe used it for more than 10 years in the NBA.

**Rule 2:** Variations of a popular nickname can be successful. Julius "Dr. J" Erving may have the most recognizable nickname in the sports world. For years every Tom, Dick and Julius who could dribble a ball was nicknamed Dr. this and Dr. that, slandering the good name of Erving. What these would be Drs. forgot is to be creative with their title. Along comes Detlef Schrempf a 6-9 forward for the Washington Huskies and a native of Leverkusen, West Germany. A high flyer who can do just about anything with the ball, Schrempf included his abilities and his heritage in his nickname and came up with "Herr Dr. J."

**DESCRIPTIVE** A nickname should describe the relative merits of the player. Charles Barkley (you remember the "round mound of rebound"), long known for his voracious appetite, was aptly dubbed "Boy Gorge." Florida's 6-8 dunking power forward, goes by the

moniker of Eugene "the Jammin' Machine" McDowell while Georgia Tech's 7-0, 220-pound wirey forward John Salley is better known as "the Spider."

Some names are too obvious. St. John's freshman swingman Shelton Jones is a native of Amityville, N.Y. The creative minds went to work. He's now called "The Amityville Horror." How creative.

**NECESSITY** Nicknames aren't for everyone. Quite frankly, some people don't need them. What are you going to name Virginia's Olden Polynice that's better than Olden Polynice — it can't be done.

With no more ado, the All-Name Team 1985.

**First Team:** Karl "the Mailman" Malone, Captain. He always delivers; Walter "the Truth" Berry; Detlef "Herr Dr. J" Schrempf; Gerry "Sir Jamalot" Wright; Antoine "the Judge" Joubert; **Second Team:** Daryl "Choo" Kennedy; Richard "Master Blaster" Madison; Greg "Cadillac" Anderson; Mark "the Surgeon" Turgeon; John "the Spider" Salley.

**First Team Players Who Don't Need Nicknames:** Olden Polynice, Captain; Dallas Comegys; Baskerville Holmes; Demetrous Gore; Voice Winters.

BIG EIGHT STANDINGS THROUGH GAMES OF FEB. 4					Team		Points	Record
Team	Conference Games		All Games		W	L	Pct.	Rk.
	W	L	W	L				
Oklahoma	6	0	17	4	6	0	.600	(32-5-7)
Kansas	6	1	18	4	5	2	.556	(34-7-1)
Iowa State	4	3	16	6	5	3	.500	(32-5-7)
Nebraska	3	3	13	6	4	4	.500	(17-8-4)
Okl. St.	2	4	11	8	3	5	.375	(18-5-4)
Missouri	2	4	13	8	2	6	.250	(16-8-0)
Kansas St.	1	5	10	9	2	7	.286	(16-8-1)
Colorado	1	6	7	13	1	8	.111	(15-9-1)

  

BIG EIGHT CONFERENCE INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS (GAMES THROUGH FEB. 2)			
ALL GAMES Scoring			
Player	Games	Points	Avg. Pts. (Big 8 avg-rank)
Wayman Tisdale Oklahoma	31	636	20.5(12-4)

  

Rebounding	
Alex Stivrins, Colorado	12.1
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**personals**

**UNCLE JED (JHQ).**  
Who-who-what's goin on? Hope you had a good one, bud. Get in a good "poke" for me?  
Love, Gert

D.S. Pi Alpha's.  
We hope your week is special. Smooth sailing toward initiation.  
Love, The Actives

Happy 80th Birthday  
Nichole K. & Diane F.  
Roadtrip to Council Bluffs.  
From J.L.

PH-Room 4  
Thanks for the cinnamon rolls.  
Lynn & Karla

AXID's and AGR's:  
Thanks for making our pinning so special and helping us celebrate.  
John & Curman

Heidi B. (ADPI)  
Good Luck  
You're Awesome  
Lynn

Guy in Okoboji Sweatshirt —  
Take a break from Stats: Meet me at the Movie/Game Night this Saturday, Feb. 9, at 8 p.m. It's at Wesley House, 640 N. 19th St.  
Girl in Blue Swats

Brenda Sue.  
The date that I put in the Omaha paper is too far away. Wish it could be sooner.  
Love DB

Debra J.  
I need you.  
Love Cuddles

Dear U.C. Davis  
Happy Birthday Kid! Hearts to you on V.D.I. Lord willing. Spring Break will be great! Remember: Jesus loves you more than man!  
By His Grace,  
Love Ron

Artie.  
You are the bestest friend!  
Love Ya, Julie

Delta, DG's, Sig Alpha, A-Phi, Sig Eps, Kappas, Sig Chs, AOP's.  
**THREE MORE DAYS!**

Wendy N —  
Congratulations on your AOTT initiation!!

Sweetie.  
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