US Lacrosse presents:

The 2012 Gerald J. Carroll, Jr. Exemplary Coaching Award

Gerald J. Carroll, Jr. was an uncommon man: a community leader, Navy pilot and war hero, rugged individualist, devoted husband and father, loyal friend, and successful author. He died prematurely in 1993. Throughout his own life, he developed and used his many talents with a sense of responsibility for the life of society and for the cultivation of virtue. To all who knew him, Gerry exemplified the conviction that a life is only lived well when it is lived generously in the service of others.

Gerry Carroll played lacrosse at Baltimore's Loyola High School and at Boston College where he captained the team. He coached on both the collegiate level (U.S. Naval Academy, St. Mary's College) and the high school level (U.S. Navy Prep School, St. Mary's Ryken). The fact that Gerry Carroll loved the game of lacrosse is no surprise since he spent a good part of his brief 46 years playing, coaching, watching and teaching young men on lacrosse fields. But greater than his love of the sport was his commitment to give back to the young-the lifetime lessons he himself took from the game. His contribution to the game of lacrosse may be conclusively felt in the positive influence he exerted within so many of his students.

This award is dedicated to his memory and is established to recognize each year one coach whose success is best measured not in victories but in the support and guidance given to the balanced growth and development of young men who play the game.

With that being said, it is my pleasure to announce the CALL for NOMINATIONS for the 2012 Gerald J. Carroll, Jr. Exemplary Coaching Award.

The Carroll Award, which was established in 1994, annually recognizes one Boy's high school coach in the country *"whose success is best measured **not in victories** but in the support and guidance given to the balanced growth and development of young men who play the game"*.

A perpetual plaque for the award will include the names of all recipients and be showcased for all to see in the Lacrosse Museum and National Hall of Fame in Baltimore. The 2011 and 2012 recipient will be recognized at the 2013 US Lacrosse National Convention-Philadelphia, PA.

The deadline for nominations is November 15, 2012. All nominations should include a cover letter and a one-page synopsis of the candidate's credentials.

To nominate your region's coach, please download the nomination form below and fax or email it to **US Lacrosse, attention Brian McGettigan, Men's Game Manager (Fax - 410-366-6735; E-mail –** bmcgettigan@uslacrosse.org**).**

All nominations will be reviewed, and the 2012 recipient will be selected by a committee consisting of family and friends of Gerry Carroll. If you should have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Men's Game directly at 410-235-6882 ext. 195.

I hope that you will continue to help to make the Carroll Award one of the most prestigious honors available to high school boy's lacrosse coaches.