

OACA Newsletter

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Dave Johnson, Co-Director

It was another exciting year in the world of Oregon high school sports. The 2nd year of re-classification allowed many additional athletes and teams to receive recognition for their accomplishments. Athletics remains as one of the most vital components in helping our young athletes mature into good people. In many studies, the coach still remains as one of the key people in the maturing process. Thank you coaches for all you do for all!

We did have a great year with our Nike/OACA Football Clinic with over 1200 attending. We have become the largest football clinic on the west coast and one of the largest in the U.S. We are excited about the possibility of adding clinics in Basketball, Volleyball and Track/Field in the near future. We have so many great coaches here in Oregon and we need to share some of that expertise with our peers in a clinic format. If you have an interest in becoming involved in such clinic ventures, let us know.

Hats off to the OSAA for the outstanding job they do in conducting so many playoffs, tournaments and meets over the past years. The increase in classifications has certainly increased their responsibilities and their outstanding staff has been excellent in meeting the challenge. We, the OACA have a wonderful working relationship with the OSAA, OADA and the OAOA and appreciate all that they do. Thanks!!!!

I attended the recent high school graduation of my grand-daughter and heard a message and reminder that we would all do well to ponder. Take time in your life to find the joy.....the joy of compassion in helping others and yourself.. Ones joy will increase inside as you do more for those on the outside. Most coaches spend most of their life giving but most forget to take time for themselves. I often end my notes to coaches by saying "Do something good for you today." It took a reminder by a beautiful young lady at graduation that life is short and <u>that all of us need to take time to "stop</u> and smell the roses." You do so and have a good summer!!

Marv Heater, Co-Director

2008 Banquet, A Special Event

On Saturday May 24th, we celebrated the **21st annual Coach of the Year Banquet** at the Casanova Center in Eugene. The largest number ever, over 270 coaches, families and friends gathered to honor over 120 coaches for Years of Service, Coach of the Year, National Coach Awards and Scholarships.

The following NFHS National Coaches of the Year were recognized: Leon McKenzie-Benson HS, Girl's Track & Field and Tony Vandermeer-Redmond HS, Boy's Soccer. Also recognized were Sectional Coaches of the Year, Luke Roth-Sheldon HS, Girl's Basketball and Mark Shoff-Lake Oswego HS, Boy's Basketball.

The OACA Contributor Award was presented to Rich Taylor, long time editor of the Oregon Coaches Directory. The OACA Distinguished Service Award was presented to Joe Broeker, Oregon FCA Executive Director.

A new award this year recognized officials for their dedicated service. This award was presented to **Bob Flood**, a 50 year veteran official from Salem and **Mike Soderlund**, also a long time official from Medford. (Please see website for a complete list of all awards.)

Other recognitions: The late **Dewey Sullivan**, long time Dayton HS football coach will be inducted into the **NFHS Hall of Fame** in Washington DC in July and **Rick Lorenz**, Central Catholic Volleyball coach has been selected to the **NHSACA Hall of Fame**.

Incoming President **Greg Letts**, Centennial HS was introduced by outgoing President **Vic Lease**, Santiam HS. **Cindy Anderson**, Wilsonville HS will serve as President Elect/Secretary. **Tony Koontz**, Harrisburg HS will be Vice President for 2008-09. **Kelly Darden**, Dufur HS will join the Board as 1-A Member at Large. A complete list of the Executive Board can be found on our website. www.oregoncoach.org

MEMBERSHIP

Once again our membership increased over the previous year and gains the distinction of being our second largest membership ever. Our enrollment for the year was **3384**. Significant with this enrollment was the largest ever Gold Card membership with **3146** total Gold Cards. We look toward to the 2008-09 year with another gain in our membership.

Our dues will increase by \$5.00 this membership year. After 7 years without a raise in dues, the Executive Board finds the raise necessary to help keep up with inflation and maintain a balanced budget. We are sure that you understand.

We continue to offer the same fine benefits plus add some help to our various sports for new clinics. Don't forget to order your membership card for the 2008-09 school year either this summer or at the start of the year in August. Membership reminders will be mailed in early August. You may order membership cards online anytime during the summer but will not receive your card until after August 1, 2008.

2009 OREGON COACHES/NIKE FOOTBALL CLINIC

March 6-8, 2009 are the dates set for the OACA/Nike Football Clinic. The event will be held once again at the Holiday Inn at the Portland Airport starting on Friday afternoon March 6th and ending Sunday morning March 8th. In early November, a list of both national and local speakers will be sent to you and also will be posted on our website. Last year we had over 1200 attendees from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Alaska, Hawaii, and California. The Portland Clinic is the largest of its kind held on the Pacific Coast and the third largest of all of the Nike sponsored clinics. Mark your calendar now for the OACA/Nike Football Clinic.



BRUCE BROWN TOUR

Bruce Brown is a nationally recognized speaker and former coach with over 35 years of experience working with junior and senior high schools, colleges and school districts. His speaking topics center on character development which is one of the most important goals for student-athletes, coaches and parents. The Oregon Athletic Directors is sponsoring a series of seminars presented by Bruce Brown to educate and lead in the development of our young athletes into Champions of Character. FOR MORE INFOR-MATION ON THE SPEAKING SCHED-ULE, visit the OADA web site www.oada8m.com

Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow - Anonymous

2007-2008 ALL-SPORTS STANDINGS

Marist 157

Sisters 97

Henley 76

Phoenix 48

La Salle 42

Tillamook 39

Gladstone 37

North Bend 72.7

Hidden Valley 63

Sweet Home 44

TOP TEN TEAMS 4A

TOP TEN TEAMS 6A

Jesuit 154 Tualatin 86 Central Catholic 84 Lincoln 82 North Medford 72 Lake Oswego 57.5 Grant 57 Roseburg 53 Sheldon 53 South Eugene 46

TOP TEN TEAMS 2A

Portland Christian 90 Lakeview 60 St. Mary's 58 Oakridge 57 Culver 45 Union 42 Nestucca 36 Salem Academy 34 Glendale 32 Heppner 28

TOP FIVE BOYS 6A

Jesuit 61 Grant 57 Central Catholic 46 North Medford 41 Tualatin 39

TOP FIVE BOYS 2A

Portland Christian 48 Culver 45 Oakridge 42 Lakeview 34 Nestucca,Oakland, Union 16

TOP FIVE GIRLS 6A

Jesuit 93 Lincoln 51 Tualatin 47 Central Catholic 38 Lake Oswego 32.5

TOP FIVE GIRLS 2A

St. Mary's 43 Portland Christian 42 Salem Academy 29 Union 26 Lakeview 26

TOP TEN TEAMS 5A

West Albany 96 Summit 95.5 Bend 95 Wilsonville 84.3 Ashland 83.5 Crescent Valley 80.3 Crater 76 Corvallis 75 Hermiston 70.8 Glencoe 66

TOP TEN TEAMS 1A

Adrian 40 Crane 39 Southwest Christian 36 Mohawk 32 St. Paul 30 Triad 30 Imbler 27.5 Lowell 27 Sherman 27 Dufur 26.5

TOP FIVE BOYS 5A West Albany 62

Ashland 50 Bend 49 Glencoe 41 Hermiston 40.3

TOP FIVE BOYS 4A

Marist 79 North Bend 56.7 Sisters 51 Sweet Home 42 Phoenix 34

TOP TEN TEAMS 3A

Catlin Gabel 86 Burns 67 Vale 66 Valley Catholic 63 Oregon Episcopal 62 Westside Christian 39 Nyssa 42 Santiam Christian 39 Ranier 37 Gold Beach 29

TOP FIVE BOYS 3A

Westside Christian 58 Vale 52 Catlin Gabel 47 Cascade Christian 38 Burns 35

Damascus, Imbler, Triangle, Umpqua Valley Christian 14

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TOP FIVE GIRLS 1A

Wilsonville 56

Bend 46

Crater 45

Crescent Valley 54

TOP FIVE BOYS 1A

Mohawk 32 Southwest Christian 28 Crane 25 Spray 16



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Without the help of our dedicated sponsors, we would certainly not be able to run the quality organization that we do. The Nike Football Clinic makes it possible for us to offer eight \$1000 scholarships yearly to our member's children. We have distributed over \$104,000 in scholarship funds since the program began in 1994-95.

GATORADE does a wonderful job of contributing monies yearly to the OACA. Gatorade also provides merchandise and products for All-Star events and also helps support various other programs as well as offers a reduced purchase program to our coaches through our website.

PRIME TIME SPORTS owned by John McCallum and Gerrit Wood also contributes funds to OACA and does a great job in the management of the Les Schwab Bowl. The game features 5A/6A football All-Stars from Oregon High Schools. The OACA is involved in the selection of the coaches who in turn select the players. Prime Time Sports manages the game/teams while the players/coaches stay in the Portland area with the final contest being held at PGE park.

We also appreciate the support of the **Wilson** ball products and the **OSAA** as they provide sponsorship monies and many door prize gifts at our annual Coach of the Year Banquet.

Our biggest fundraiser is the **NIKE FOOTBALL CLINIC** held every March in Portland. This clinic usually raises over \$15,000 for our association. With the hard work of our OACA Executive Board/Staff and football coaches committee, our clinic has become the largest football clinic on the west coast. We appreciate the support of coaches and vendors from the Oregon and Washington area.



OACA MISSION STATEMENT The OACA is committed to serve its members by promoting:

- Education through athletics and coaching which will enhance a positive experience for coaches and athletes.
- Coaching Profession certification.
- Enhancement and support of the Coaching Profession.
- Current and pertinent information regarding the Coaching Profession.
- Affordable liability insurance to coaches.
- Recognition of outstanding individuals in coaching and athletics.

OACA 2008-09 CALENDER, for more information email: oregoncoach@msn.com

AUGUST 7, 2008	SUMMER EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING SALEM-Dave's 9:30 a.m.
NOV. 6, 2008	SPRING SPORTS RECOSAA OFFICE WILSONVILLE-9:30 a.m.
JANUARY 8, 2009	FALL SPORTS RECOSAA OFFICE-WILSONVILLE-9:30 a.m.
MARCH 6-8, 2009	NIKE/OACA FOOTBALL CLINIC-PORTLAND
APRIL 14, 2009	WINTER SPORT RECOSAA OFFICE-WILSONVILLE-10:00 AM
MAY 22-23, 2009	COACH OF THE YEAR BANQUET—EUGENE, U OF O - 6:30PM

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