

2012 Nebraska Coaches Association Multi-Sport Clinicians

Special Session:

Carl Pierson, Waconia HS, MN – A native of Mitchell, SD, Carl Pierson has been coaching various levels of football, basketball, and baseball for the past 20 years. He is currently an 8th grade football coach and the head girls' basketball coach at Waconia HS, MN. Coach Pierson has combined his life-long love of politics and his political science training with his 40 seasons of coaching experience to author the top selling coaching book "The Politics of Coaching: A Survival Guide to Keep Coaches From Getting Burned". Pierson offers real world examples and practical advice on eternally troubling topics.

Football:

Tim Teykl, B.F. Terry HS, Rosenberg, TX – Coach Teykl is a 33 year football coaching veteran at every level in the state of Texas. In 2007 he was honored by the Texas High School Coaches Association (THSCA) with the Tom Landry Award – the highest career football coaching honor in the state of Texas. In 2012 he served as a coach for the U.S. Army All-American Bowl. He has been selected the head coach for the Bayou Bowl. He currently serves as a Director with the THSCA, and has been the President of the Greater Houston Football Coaches Assoc. and the Texas 7-on-7 Assoc. He is the winningest coach in B.F. Terry HS history. At the collegiate level Teykl helped Southwest Texas State University win back-to-back National Championships. Teykl is a two-time finalist for the America Football Coaches Association (AFCA) "Power of Influence" Award.

Chris Creighton, Drake University – Coach Creighton owns an overall record of 125-38 (.766 winning percentage) in 15 years as a collegiate head coach, and ranks in the top 20 in winning percentage among active coaches with at least five seasons at four-year colleges. Creighton served as head coach at Wabash College, IN, from 2001-07 where he constructed a 63-15 record (.808) with his teams winning four conference championships while

competing in three NCAA Division III playoffs. Creighton was head coach at Ottawa, KS University from 1997-2000, compiling a record of 32-9. The Seattle, WA native, produced one of the greatest single season turnarounds in NAIA history during his first year at Ottawa in 1997. Inheriting a team that posted a record of 1-8 the previous season, Creighton guided his club to a 9-2 finish en route to capturing its first conference title since 1972. He led Ottawa to appearances in the NAIA playoffs in '97 and 2000.

Josh Gehring, Midland University – Gehring is entering his first season as head football coach at Midland University. From 2007 to 2009, he set records as an offensive coordinator at Morningside College. In his three seasons, the Mustangs went from averaging 24 points per game to 45.1 in 2009. Morningside averaged over 400 yards per game with their quarterbacks completing more than 60% of their passes. After the 2009 season, Gehring was named the AFCA NAIA Assistant Coach of the Year. Prior to coming to Midland University, Gehring spent two years as quarterback coach and passing game coordinator with the three-time NCAA Division III national champion Wisconsin-Whitewater Warhawks. He implemented one of the most explosive and efficient passing attacks in the country, averaging over 40 passes per game with nearly 70% efficiency.

Rick Kaczinski, University of Nebraska – Rick Kaczinski joined the Nebraska coaching staff in December of 2011 and is in his first year as the Huskers' defensive line coach. Kaczinski joins the defensive staff after building an impressive resume on Kirk Ferentz's staff at Iowa. With Kaczinski as a member of the full-time coaching staff from 2007 to 2011, Iowa reached a bowl game each of the past four years, including an appearance in the Orange Bowl following the 2009 season. Overall, seven of Kaczinski's defensive linemen have been drafted or signed an NFL free agent contract over the past four seasons. Kaczinski began his coaching career in 1998 as an assistant coach at Erie, PA Cathedral Prep, his high school alma mater. He played collegiately at Notre Dame from 1994 to 1997, where he was a three-year starter at center from 1995 to 1997.

Jay Terry, University of Nebraska – Cozad, NE, native Jay Terry has been equipment manager at Nebraska since 2002 and has served on the Nebraska athletic department equipment staff since April 1997. Terry also spent two years as a student equipment manager before serving as an assistant equipment manager for four years. Terry maintains the Husker football locker room and is in charge of the football team's equipment needs. He coordinates the transportation of all football and support equipment to road games, and oversees Nebraska's equipment staff of three full-time assistants and several student workers who handle all 23 of Nebraska's sports.

Football 8-Man:

Jerry Voorhees, Thunder Ridge HS, KS – Coach Voorhees, a Smith Center, KS native, has led the Thunder Ridge Longhorns to six straight undefeated league championships while compiling a 53-13 record. In 2011 Voorhees' squad captured the Kansas State Championship with a 13-0 record. Thunder Ridge has made the Kansas State 8-Man Football Playoffs in five of the six seasons with Voorhees at the helm. He has served as a coach of the Kansas 8-Man All-Star game twice.

Brent Overmiller, Thunder Ridge HS, KS – Coach Overmiller, a Smith Center, KS native, has served as the defensive coordinator for the Longhorns for the past three seasons. Prior to joining Coach Voorhees at Thunder Ridge HS, he coached at Ellis HS for three years. In 2011, the Longhorn defensive unit was the #1 ranked 8-Man squad in the state of Kansas by posting seven shutout games in route to an undefeated season and state title.

Volleyball:

Jean Kesterson, Cathedral HS, Indianapolis, IN – Coach Kesterson has more than three decades of coaching experience including 23 years at Cathedral High School in Indianapolis. Her teams have advanced to the state finals 11 of the last 16 years and competed in the state championship match 9 of the last 15 years. The Irish have won 6 state championships and finished state runner-up three times during this period. In 2000, Kesterson was elected into the Indiana Volleyball Hall of Fame. In 2001, she was named the National Federation

Indiana High School Coach of the Year. In 2006, she was selected the 4A State Coach of the Year. Kesterson has been named Indianapolis Metro Coach of the Year four times. Cathedral has also earned the prestigious AVCA Team Academic Award 14 years running. Coach Kesterson has presented at the AVCA Convention in 2007, 2008 and 2010 as well as numerous national and state clinics.

Dan Conners, University of Nebraska – Dan Conners joined Head Coach John Cook's staff in February of 2011 after spending the previous five seasons at UCLA. Along with coaching the Huskers' blocking and defense, Conners is NU's recruiting coordinator. During the 2011 season the Huskers made history with their first Big Ten Conference title as they won their 32nd overall conference crown. The Huskers recorded an overall record of 25-5 on the year and earned its 30th straight trip to the NCAA Tournament. NU notched five All-Big Ten picks as well as six academic All-Big Ten selections. During his five seasons at UCLA, Conners helped the Bruins to a 124-44 record (.738 winning percentage) and five straight trips to the NCAA Tournament.

Anne Kordes, University of Louisville – A Louisville native and former Cardinal volleyball star, Anne Kordes was named the head volleyball coach at her alma mater in 2011. In her first season as Louisville's head coach, she led the Cards to a regular season Big East Championship and NCAA berth. Kordes ranks among the elite coaches in the game with a career record of 170-84. In seven seasons at Saint Louis, Kordes led the Billiken volleyball program to unparalleled success, including three NCAA Tournament appearances. Individually, she is a three-time Atlantic 10 Conference Coach of the Year. Kordes, the only coach in SLU's program to lead her teams to four straight 20-win seasons, was the 2009 recipient of the Missouri Athletic Club's Carl O. Bauer Award - the top amateur sports figure in St. Louis.

Christy Posey, University of Missouri-Kansas City, MO – Coach Posey is currently in her second year as head coach at UMKC. Her resume includes eleven years as the top assistant and recruiting coordinator at the University of Kansas, as well as 8 years as the head volleyball coach at Blue Valley Northwest High School in Overland Park, KS. She earned two straight state championships during her time at Blue Valley

Northwest, earning several coaching honors during the 44-0 stretch. During her years at Kansas, Posey worked with the team's setters and defensive specialists, while also serving as recruiting coordinator, and overseeing team camp administration.

Basketball:

Bob Knight, ESPN – In college basketball, the name Bob Knight is synonymous with greatness and winning. Throughout his illustrious career, Coach Knight won 902 NCAA Division I men's college basketball games, second all-time to his former player, Mike Krzyzewski. Knight led his teams to three NCAA championships, one NIT championship, and 11 Big Ten Conference championships. He received the National Coach of the Year honor four times and the Big Ten Coach of the Year honor six times. In 1984, he coached the USA men's Olympic team to a gold medal, becoming one of only three basketball coaches to win an NCAA title, NIT title, and an Olympic gold medal. Coach Knight is currently a college basketball analyst for ESPN.

Drew Olson, Concordia University – Drew Olson has been head coach of the Concordia University women's basketball program for the past six seasons. He led the Bulldogs to three straight NAIA national tournament appearances from 2007-10 and again in 2012. Olson has compiled an overall record of 140-60. In 2012 the Bulldogs were Great Plains Athletic Conference regular season and tournament champions, earning Olson GPAC Coach of the Year honors along with the WBCA Region 2 Coach of the Year Award. Olson's coaching resume includes a stop at Bellevue University where he served as an assistant men's basketball coach for three seasons involving three NAIA National Tournament trips with a National Runner-Up in 2004.

Eric Behrens, Omaha Central HS, NE – Coach Behrens has been the head boy's basketball coach at Omaha Central for 11 years. During Behrens' tenure, the Eagles have an overall record of 235 - 49. Under Behrens' guidance, Omaha Central has won nine district championships and six Class A State Championships (2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2012).

Chip Bahe, Millard North HS, NE – Chip Bahe has been the boy's basketball coach at Millard North High School for the past 10 years, with stops at Lexington, Omaha South, and Lincoln Northeast during his 22 years in coaching. Coach Bahe has a career record of 219-175. He has led three different schools to the State Tournament, including Millard North the past two seasons. The Bahe family is familiar with coaching in Nebraska. Chip's nephew Alex is the boy's basketball coach at Elkhorn South, and his father Al was the long-time boy's basketball coach at Fremont High.

Chad Lavin, Colorado State University - Lavin returns to women's basketball in 2012-13 after a four-year hiatus from coaching to join the Colorado State Women's Basketball program. Lavin has 26 years of head coaching experience, including 12 years at the Division I level. He will be in charge of player development for the Rams. A Division II WBCA National Coach of the Year and two-time Regional Coach of the Year, Lavin opted for early retirement in 2008, after guiding his South Dakota squad to the NCAA championship game. The Coyotes finished the season 33-2, the best record in school history, and they received a No. 2 final ranking in the USA Today/ESPN Coaches Poll. Lavin ended his career at USD the all-time winningest coach (273-141; .659), and he was inducted in the South Dakota Sports Hall of Fame in 2011. In between his first four year stint (1982-86) and his last 10 years (1998-2008) at South Dakota, Lavin was head coach at the University of Wyoming for 12 seasons (1986-1998). While there he led the Cowgirls to four top three conference finishes, including their only regular-season league title in 1989-90.

Wrestling:

Dave Crowell, Nazareth HS, PA – Coach Crowell owns an overall career coaching record of 411-104-1 in 27 years as a head coach. Five of Crowell's eight teams at Nazareth have been ranked nationally with the 2006-07 team ranked as high as fourth in the USA. During his 27-year coaching career, Crowell has been named Pennsylvania State Coach of the Year five times. He was named national coach of the year on two separate occasions (2001 & 2007). In 2004, he became the only coach in PA history to coach at least one state champion at three different

schools. In 2006, he became the only coach to guide three schools to state titles. He is also the only PA wrestling coach to have won 100+ dual meets at three different schools, to have been voted PA coach of the year while at three different schools, and be voted PA coach of the year in both the AA and AAA classifications. He has been invited to present at the NCAA tournament, the NWCA national convention, as well as eight state coaches' clinics.

Marc Bauer, University of Nebraska-Kearney –

Coach Marc took over the Loper program prior to the 1999-00 season. The Kearney native has led UNK to two NCAA Division II National Championships (2008 and 2012), 10 RMAC/NCAA Region titles, 12 top 10 finishes at the NCAA's -- including national runner up finishes in 2003, 2006, and 2007 -- coached 68 All-Americans and seen 113 of his wrestlers selected to the Wrestling Coaches Association National All-Academic team. UNK has also been a force during the regular season, posting a 168-66 dual record (71.8 win pct.). Individually, Bauer has coached 12 national champions, six national runners up and, off the mat, seen the Lopers have one of the highest team grade point averages on an annual basis. Bauer was named the NCAA Division II Coach of the Year by the *Amateur Wrestling News* in 2000, 2003 and 2008.

Mike Hagerty, Blue Springs HS, MO –Coach Hagerty has been coaching wrestling at all levels of the sport for 30 years. He is currently the Head Coach at Blue Springs High School in Blue Springs, MO. Blue Springs has been the Missouri class 4A State Champions for the past two seasons and was ranked nationally both years. Blue Springs has also placed in the top-4 of the state championships for eight consecutive seasons. Hagerty served as the head coach at the University of Central Missouri for seven years and produced 16 NCAA All-Americans. He later served as the National Director of Coaches Education at USA Wrestling. Coach Hagerty has been USA Wrestling's National Development Coach of the Year twice, including this past 2012 season. Currently an NCAA official, Hagerty has officiated 10 consecutive NCAA Championships.

Golf:

Craig Ames, Nebraska Golf Association – Ames, the

Executive Director of the Nebraska Golf Association since 2001, has been the official-in-charge for the NSAA State Golf Championships for 13 years. When it comes to the rules of golf, Craig is a lead authority; evident by his last USGA/PGA exam score of 100%. He has been an official for several USGA championships such as the Senior Open, the U.S. Amateur, and Women's Open. Craig has served on the rules committee for the Big XII Championships since 2001 and has authored and presented hundreds of presentations regarding rules of golf.

Brad Goetsch, PGA Professional, UNL PGA Golf Management –

Brad provides administrative support to the Director and Coordinator within the University Nebraska's PGA Golf Management program (PGAM). Goetsch helps in the development, delivery and assessment of the PGAM courses, student recruitment, along with retention activities, events coordination and the day-to-day office management of the PGAM at UNL.

Scott Holly, PGA Professional, UNL PGA Golf Management –

Scott manages the UNL PGA Golf Management Internship Program. He provides support for PGA Golf Management courses that prepare students to pass PGA Checkpoints. Holly also assists with recruitment, student activities such as golf tournaments, co-advises Student Club, and provides individualized golf instruction to students. Scott leads the NIKE Junior Golf Camp conducted each summer in Lincoln.

Jim White, Master PGA Professional, West Nine Firethorn Golf Course –

Jim White is an accomplished player and 2004 Senior PGA Professional National Champion. Whether it's starting the Nebraska Open and Vegas Pro-Am, or creating a successful golf complex from the ground up, Jim has over 35 years of golf experience. He is a four-time Nebraska PGA Teacher of the Year and a two-time Section PGA Professional of the Year. White has captured 12 Nebraska PGA Section Championships spanning five decades, which is believed to be a PGA of America membership record. White also owns another record as a 20-time recipient of the Nebraska PGA Player of the Year award.

Greg Johannesen, PGA Professional, West Nine Firethorn Golf Course – Johannesen is a two-time Section Merchandiser of the Year and a multi-time Top 50 fitter for a major OEM. An accomplished fitter/teacher, Greg brings over 17 years of experience in club design and development to help coaches with fitting players properly.

Track & Field/Cross Country:

Chris Suppes, Fort Collins HS, CO – In his 21 years of coaching cross country, Chris Suppes has guided both his boys' and girls' teams to the state meet 20 years in a row. During this span his teams have won 16 conference and regional titles, seven state championships, and five straight Girls' NXN Southwest championships. Currently the head cross country coach and assistant track coach at Fort Collins HS, Coach Suppes also teaches math and AP Statistics. Prior to starting his career in education, Chris fought forest fires for the US forest service, including a stint in McCall, Idaho, where he worked as a smokejumper, parachuting into wilderness areas.

Rick Weinheimer, Columbus North High School, Columbus, IN – Rick is in his thirty-fifth year of coaching, and has coached forty-two teams in the single-class Indiana cross country state finals, including six state championships (Boys 2002, 2003, 2009, 2010, 2011, and Girls 2009), four state runners up (Girls 1986, 2010, 2011, and Boys 2001), and twenty-two state medalist (top five) teams. Overall his teams have won thirty-seven conference championships, forty-six sectionals, and forty-one regionals. Twenty-six girls and twenty-four boys have earned first-team all-state XC honors, and seventy-five have gone on to compete in college. In track, he has coached 30 distance state medalists, including national 2-mile champion Christian Wagner who had PRs of 4:07 and 8:50. Coach Weinheimer has been Indiana Cross Country Coach of the Year ten times, and is a four-time nominee for National Coach of the Year.

Steve Silvey, Plano, TX – Steve is a veteran at the national and international level for over 25 years. He has mentored 28 collegiate national champion squads and numerous All-Americans, along with 14 Olympic Medalists and 17 World Championships

Medalists, while at several of the nation's most prestigious programs. At the international level, Coach Silvey served as the Zambia Olympic Coach for Track & Field in the 1992 and 1996 Olympiads. Silvey has a unique quality of having won 19 "Team" championships in the SEC, Big-12 and PAC-10 conferences. Individually, his resume boasts over 500 All-American awards, 26 World Championship Competitors and 34 Olympians. Silvey served as an assistant at Texas Tech (2004 to 2007) and the University of Oregon (2001-2003).

Sara Domeier, Lincoln North Star HS, NE & High Performance Training – Sara hails from Geneva, NE, where she enjoyed a successful athletic career learning how to run anything from 100m to a 5k. This origin, along with her college experience under Coach Steve Rainbolt at UNL, helped her create a philosophy for training athletes in the sprints and specifically the 400m and 800m. Her unique way of approaching long sprints and middle distances includes using one's own body weight to strengthen the core, interval training, and tempo running, Sara has been coaching at Lincoln North Star the last nine years and also coaches post-collegiate athletes which include national qualifiers and medalists at the USA Championships.

Dr. Ted Bulling, Nebraska Wesleyan University – Bulling, Director of Track & Field/Cross Country at NWU, is in his 27th season as the Nebraska Wesleyan men's track & field coach, and his 25th year as the head coach of the women. He is entering his 22nd season as the men's cross country coach and his 17th year in charge of women's cross country. Over the years, his teams have won a combined total of 64 conference team titles. Bulling is the first Division III coach to serve as President of the United States Track & Field and Cross Country Association. A six-time National Coach of the Year, Bulling, is recognized as one of the best college coaches in the country. Under his guidance, the Prairie Wolves have won nine NCAA team trophies, and been awarded four top-four finishes, since 2001. He has coached 36 national champions, and 140 of his athletes have earned a total of 593 All-American awards.

Ryan Salem, Lincoln Southwest HS, NE – A former NCAA Div. III All-American in Cross Country (Nebraska Wesleyan University, 1997), Coach Salem is in his third year as the head coach at Lincoln Southwest High School. He has experience coaching at the college and high school levels, formerly serving as an Assistant Cross Country Coach at Bethel College in Mishawaka, IN. Prior to the 2009 season, he served as the Varsity Assistant at Lincoln Southwest for six seasons. While a high school runner under Dr. Ted Larson in Lincoln Southeast, Coach Salem was part of the 1992 State championship team that still holds the NE state record for lowest total points with 21. Coach Salem is a founding member of Team Nebraska-Brooks and still competes in local and regional running events.

Derek Frese, Nebraska Wesleyan University – Coach Frese is in his fifth season at Nebraska Wesleyan as a throws coach. He has been named the Central Region Field Assistant Coach of the Year for three consecutive track & field seasons. He earned the honor during the 2010 outdoor season then during both the 2011 indoor and outdoor seasons. During the 2011 season Frese had three athletes earn six NCAA III All-American awards, including four women's All-American awards at the outdoor championships. He also coached two athletes to NWU school records in the weight throw and shot put. Frese came to NWU from Northwest Missouri State University where he served as a graduate assistant track and field coach for two seasons.

Bob Feurer, North Bend Central HS, NE – Feurer began his teaching and coaching career at North Bend Central in the fall of 1979, filling many coaching responsibilities during his tenure. He has served as an assistant track coach for 17 years under head coaches Fred Lambley and Dan Watts at NBC. Bob has coached 12 medalists, a 4-time medalist, a 2-time runner-up who is now a 2-time All-American at the college level, along with a state champion. In 2011 he was selected *Nebraska Teacher of the Year* by the Nebraska Department of Education.

Tennis:

Kerry McDermott, University of Nebraska – Coach Kerry McDermott has been at the helm of the Nebraska program for more than a quarter-century

since taking over in 1982. With 29 years of experience on his side as head coach of the Huskers, McDermott owns the most victories by a Nebraska tennis coach in the program's history with 316 wins. In 2010, McDermott led the Huskers to their first ever NCAA Tournament appearance.

Troy Saulsbury, Kearney HS, NE – Saulsbury has been coaching high school tennis for 14 years, and has accumulated an overall record of 103-12. His boys and girls tennis teams at Kearney High School average between 30 & 40 participants each year. Named Nebraska Junior Team Tennis Organizer four times since 2006, Coach Saulsbury leads numerous tennis clinics and camps throughout the year, and is currently serving as President of the Nebraska Tennis Association.

Steve Lemon, Bellevue West HS, NE – Currently in his 14th season coaching girls tennis at Bellevue West, Lemon has also coached the boys' team for 13 years. He is a three-time winner of the Metro Tennis Coaches Association Girls Coach of the Year (2005, 2007 & 2009). A math teacher at Bellevue West, Coach Lemon also works as a Public Address Announcer and has announced several games for Bellevue West, as well as the Nebraska High School State Volleyball Tournament, the 2011 NCA All-Star games, and University of Nebraska Volleyball.

Softball:

Pat Murphy, University of Alabama – Murphy has taken the University Alabama to the top of the college softball world. Now in his 14th season as the head coach of the Crimson Tide, Murphy has turned his program into a model of consistency, having guided Alabama to 13 consecutive NCAA tournaments, including appearances in the 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009 and 2011 Women's College World Series. In 2011, the Tide returned to Oklahoma City, winning the first two games in the tournament for the first time in program history. UA finished 53-11, marking the seventh straight season Murphy has guided the Tide to 50 or more wins. Alabama secured its second straight SEC regular season title, finishing 19-6 in the league. Murphy had a career mark of 715-210 going into the 2012 season. At the time of this publication, Murphy's Crimson Tide were rated #1 in the country.

Amanda Lehotak, University of Texas San Antonio – Coach Lehotak, a University of Nebraska-Omaha graduate, is completing her first season as head coach of the UTSA Roadrunners after six seasons at Jacksonville University, five of which she served as the head coach. One of three family members to head a collegiate softball program, Lehotak amassed a school-record 137 wins during her tenure, which was capped by a program-best 44-16 campaign in 2011 that culminated in the Dolphins' first-ever Atlantic Sun Championships and inaugural NCAA Tournament appearance. For her efforts Lehotak took home the league's Coach of the Year award, another first for the program. Following her success in 2011, Lehotak was chosen to be a camp clinician at the 2011 Women's College World Series in Oklahoma City.

George Wares, Central College, IA – Coach Wares is the winningest softball coach in NCAA Division III history. In 2011, Wares guided the Dutch to their 23rd NCAA Division III tournament berth in the past 26 years. In 27 seasons as Central College head coach, Wares has compiled a 909-303-3 record (.749) and established the mark for all-time Division III wins. In 2007, Wares was inducted into the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Hall of Fame. He has piloted the Dutch to national championships in 1988, 1991, 1993 and 2003 with national runner-up finishes in 1986 and 2001 and his 23 NCAA playoff teams have finished in the national top five 12 times. The Dutch were third in the NCAA in 1990, 1994 and 1995, fourth in 1987 and 1989, and fifth in 1997. Central has won or shared 11 Iowa Conference titles. In 2011, Wares was named winner of the Iowa Conference coach of the year award. He has won or shared the honor eight times.

Soccer:

Rob Herringer, Benedictine College, KS – A Bellevue, NE native, Herringer has compiled an 85-31-11 overall record over seven seasons as the Raven Men's soccer coach. The Benedictine College team has been consistently ranked in the NAIA Top 25. In 2010, his team was ranked as high as #6 in the nation. The 2009 team won the conference championship and reached the Sweet 16 of the NAIA National Tournament. Prior to coaching at BC, Herringer was the Head Men's and Women's Soccer

Coach at Kansas 6A Leavenworth HS from 2000-2005. He is currently one of only 20 coaches from across the nation that holds the NSCAA Master Coach Diploma. He has also studied at top professional clubs and federations.

Anthony DiCicco, SoccerPlus, CT – Anthony is the CEO of the *SoccerPlus* Education Center, a Connecticut-based not-for-profit organization with the mission of "enriching lives through soccer and education." *SoccerPlus'* goals are to include comprehensive player development programming designed to maximize the development of the total player, through presentations and seminars. The program includes inner-city outreach and mentoring, overseas assistance for at-risk youth while utilizing soccer as the medium of education. Anthony's soccer coaching experience includes boys and girls high school levels, Director with *SoccerPlus*, a premier club, *SoccerPlus* Goalkeeping School as well as an Assistant Coach at the collegiate level, most recently with the University of Vermont Women. Anthony is the son of Tony DiCicco, past women's US national coach.

Andrew Ferguson, Olympia Soccer Academy, Lincoln, NE – Currently, the Director of Coaching for the Olympia Soccer Academy in Lincoln, Andrew Ferguson has been involved with the business of soccer in a playing, professional, or coaching function for the past 35 years. Ferguson is also the Owner and Director of Operations for the Soccer Lincoln Sports Center. He has coached soccer at three different Lincoln high schools, making one state tournament appearance during a three-year stint at Lincoln North Star. Ferguson also spent four years coaching the Lincoln Hornets Spirit Soccer Club, winning a state championship in 2005.

Lang Wedemeyer, South Dakota State University – Wedemeyer completed his tenth year as the only Women's Soccer coach in South Dakota State University history in 2011. Over the last five seasons, Wedemeyer has compiled a 58-25-14 record for SDSU. In 2008 he led the Jackrabbits to a 15-5-1 record in their first year of eligibility for Division I postseason play that included a trip to the NCAA College Cup. Wedemeyer is a National Soccer Coaches Association of America regional director, overseeing coaching certification. One of the

youngest coaches in the United States to obtain all levels of coaching certification, Wedemeyer holds nine professional soccer coaching licenses, including a United States Soccer Federation "A" license and the NSCAA Premier diploma. In addition, his coaching experience consists of appearances at several soccer camps and clinics, including serving as the head counselor of the University of North Carolina Women's Soccer Camp since 1995.

Cheerleading:

Jason Sack, Northwest Missouri State University – A native of Independence, KS, Jason Sack is in his sixth year at Northwest after five years at Avila University, in Kansas City, Mo. At Avila, he coached the cheerleading squad to three consecutive Universal Cheerleading Association (UCA) College Cheerleading National All-Girl Division II top-10 finishes. In 2005-06, he judged at the American Championships "Official FL State Championships" and the UCA's "National All-Star Cheerleading Competition." He has been an instructor since 1997 for the UCA summer camps in twelve states. Since his arrival at Northwest, he has led the Bearcats to two UCA Division II National Championships in 2010 and most recently in 2012. Sack is also the sponsor of the Northwest Dance Team the Bearcat Steppers.

Terri Freeman, Universal Cheerleaders Association - has been coaching, judging and doing choreography for over 25 years. She is the head penalty and rules judge for the Missouri Cheerleading Coaches Association and is the AACCA Safety Certifier for MO,NE, and KS. She has coached and judged at all levels from Recreational to Collegiate. Terri is a USASF Credential Provider and the Varsity Spirit Fashions Representative for the Kansas City area.

Dance:

Katie Balfanz, Universal Dance Association – Katie Balfanz graduated with honors from St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN, where she received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English and Dance. She has worked for Universal Dance Association for 10 years as a head instructor, manages nine states as a UDA State Director and creates and implements summer curriculum as a Program Committee Member. Katie has choreographed for all-star, high school and college dance teams, as well as UDA Special Events

and summer camps. She has instructed coaches and dancers nationally and abroad in Korea, China, and Malaysia. In 2011 and 2012, Katie hosted the College Cheerleading and Dance Championship televised on ESPN. Katie is now in her fourth year as assistant coach for the nationally ranked Eden Prairie High School Pom Squad.

Junior High Football:

John McGary, Tri County HS, NE – Coach McGary will be starting his 40th year of teaching and coaching, all at Tri County High School, in DeWitt. McGary has served as the Trojan head coach for the last four years. Tri County has qualified for the Nebraska State Playoffs in each of the last four years, with the 2011 team advancing to the Quarterfinals. Coach McGary, a native of Cody, WY, played college football at Chadron State. He was an assistant coach for over 30 years under Dan Tesar and also served as an assistant for Terry Zessin.

Junior High Volleyball:

Renee Saunders, Omaha Skutt Catholic HS, NE – Coach Saunders will be entering her 16th year of coaching volleyball. After spending nine years at Omaha South HS, she will be entering her second season at Skutt Catholic HS. In her first season Renee led the SkyHawks to the school's best finish of 30-10 and a third place finish in the State Championships. Coach Saunders graduated from Omaha Marian HS and went on to play college volleyball at the University of Nebraska, where she was a member of the 1995 National Championship team.

Junior High Basketball:

Tim Barada, Wilber-Clatonia HS, NE – Coach Barada is in his 21st year of coaching, and his 16th as the boy's basketball coach at Wilber-Clatonia. His teams pride themselves on playing good defense, as his 2012 team led all of Class C-1 in points allowed with 40.2 points per game. His W-C teams made back-to-back state tournament appearances in 2009 and 2010. Tim is a graduate of Fremont High School and attended Hastings College for two years, before finishing his degree at UNL.