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BEGINNING THE YEAR RIGHT AT THE 2007 CLINIC

The Board of Directors welcomes you to the 2007 Nebraska Coaches Association Multi-Sports Clinic. If you missed the clinic, you need to mark your calendar for the 2008 version. The NCA hosts one of the most comprehensive clinics in the nation and will continue to do so as long as coaches support the clinic with their attendance.



The clinic week began on Monday, July 30 with the Coaches Scramble held at Iron Horse Golf Course in Ashland, following later that evening with the All-Star Girls' and Boys' Basketball Games. With the time schedule change in the clinic, the doors will open each day at 7:30 a.m. Several sessions begin at 8:15 a.m. each day and we don't want you late for anything. The vendor booths will generally open by 8:00 a.m. each day, so make sure you stop by and see the latest in uniforms, weight equipment, coach's shirts, motivational ideas and many more items of interest.

This will be the second year for all of the sessions to be held at North Star. This was done in order to permit all coaches to stay at North Star. We have had to do some creative scheduling to permit that move, but all indications are that it is a success. Make sure you check out your updated clinic scheduled in your folder for any changes in the original schedule. Make sure you check out the schedule for NSAA Rules Meetings, as there was one slight change affecting softball. Per the NSAA staff request, most of the larger rules meetings, including volleyball, basketball and football will be held in the auditorium. This is done to accommodate the available AV equipment as well as control of the venue for NSAA staff. We apologize for any inconvenience in moving the other sports around during these sessions, but it is done for a reason.

The All-Star Games are a key activity during the clinic week. Make sure you take the time to see

the best of the senior class of 2006-2007 in their final high school competition. Thanks to all the coaches of the players for their efforts in raising the necessary funds to support the All-Star concept, as without them the games would be impossible for the NCA to sponsor. Along with basketball games on Monday, volleyball is featured on Tuesday, August 31, followed by the softball doubleheader on Wednesday night. Basketball and volleyball are contested at North Star, with softball played at UNL's Bowlin Field.

Wednesday sessions will continue at 8:15 a.m., but it also brings about some other exciting and informative opportunities. The second day of the clinic has always been the day for the District and Sports Meetings. The District meeting provides the opportunity for coaches to elect fellow coaches who will serve their respective districts for a two year term. Each district will select a Vice President to serve for a two year term. You are encouraged to attend your district meeting. Following the district meeting, the Sports meetings will be held at sites throughout North Star. These meetings are equally important for coaches to attend, as recommendations are made for next year's clinic in regards to speakers, topics, changes, etc. Make sure you attend both meetings and become more actively involved in your association.

Thursday features a scaled back day as nearly all sessions will be completed by shortly after lunch. This was done to accommodate the evenings Awards and Recognition Banquet when coaches will be honored for their contributions to high school and middle school athletics. This is your opportunity to honor coaches for their achievements throughout the year as well as career awards. One of the highlights of the banquet is those coaches receiving their 25 year award. Career highlights and anecdotal stories always bring a laugh or two from these coaches. This will be the NCA's 40th Recognition Banquet.



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NEW OFFICE A REALITY

The NCA office has received several inquiries as to when it will be moved to the new office. While you are in town, make sure you drive by the site, which is under construction. The building is located just north of the Haymarket Park baseball field and the Bowlin Softball Field. Hopes are that the NSAA, the NCA and Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame will be moving sometime after the first of the year. Initially, we were hoping to move in following the clinic, but delays in receiving approval from the Army Corps of Engineers delayed the start of construction. Since it will be an active construction site during the clinic, the viewing of the building may be limited to viewing from the street or adjacent parking.

NCA SIGNS A FIVE YEAR LEASE

Several questions have been fielded by the NCA staff relative to the agreement between the NCA and the NSAA in regards to the new office. The NCA has signed a five-year lease agreement with the NSAA, which will begin when the building is ready for occupancy. Most coaches have never been to the NCA office, which, for the past eight years has been housed in a 60 year old building in Van Dorn Plaza on 48th and Van Dorn. Dr. Tenopir asked the office staff to provide him with an average monthly cost of the present office, including utilities and rent, and that average is what the NCA is being charged for the new office space for the next five years. It is a GREAT deal for the NCA and also provides additional space for NCA activities. In recent years, the NCA has had to rent space for Sportsmanship Meetings, All-Star selection meetings, as well as other NCA activities. The new office and adjacent meeting rooms will easily accommodate NCA needs for meeting space, and will permit catering services for functions requiring meals. We look forward to moving into our new digs and encourage you to drive by the new site. If you are going south on 9th St. from Cornhusker Highway, turn right on Charleston, go under the I-180 overpass and you'll be there. If you are at Bowlin Field attending the 2007 All-Star Softball Game, just look across the lot to the north and you will see the construction site.

NCA/NSIAAA TO SPONSOR CHEERLEADING/DANCE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS IN 2008

The Nebraska Coaches Association and the Nebraska State Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association will be sponsoring a Cheerleading and Dance State Championship beginning with the 2007-08 school year. The Championships will be held on Saturday, February 23, 2008 at the Heartland Event Center in Grand Island. Universal Cheerleaders Association and Universal Dance Association will assist the NCA and NSIAAA in administering the championships, providing their expertise in making this an outstanding event.

The cheerleading portion of the championship will feature tumbling, non-tumbling, and sideline cheer. Dance divisions are pom, jazz, hip hop and high kick. Registration information will be available online and will also be sent to schools after the fall semester begins. We encourage schools to make plans now to attend this outstanding event.

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THE NCA OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED BEGINNING FRIDAY, AUGUST 6 AND WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY, AUGUST 13. NORMAL OFFICE HOURS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR ARE 7:30 A.M.-3:30 P.M. MONDAY-FRIDAY.

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OTHER CLINIC INFORMATION

Badges

Everyone needs to have their badges displayed at all times during the clinic. That includes attendees, vendors and speakers, as well as staff. If you are asked to display your badge, you are not complying with our request. Lanyards will be provided compliments of the Army National Guard.

Stop By the Vendor Area

The vendors/exhibitors play a key role in the annual clinic. Can you imagine what the clinic would look like without our vendors? Boring!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Make sure you stop by and visit each vendor and thank them for their attendance. Each of them pays for the opportunity to display the latest in athletic goods. The financial support they provide the NCA also assists in keeping the clinic fees at their present rate. If you need anything for the upcoming year, the vendors should be able to accommodate you.

Be On Time

You are asked to adhere to the assigned schedule and be at the respective clinic site a few minutes before the session begins. There is nothing more frustrating and disrespectful toward speakers than to show up late or be visiting during introductions or presentations. If you must visit with other coaches, please **TAKE IT OUTSIDE THE SESSION!**

Turn Off Cell Phones

While you are in a session, please respect our speakers by turning off cell phones or at least put them on vibrate. If you must answer a call, please move into the hall or outside of the clinic session. Thanks for your cooperation.



Coaches Night Out

The annual Coaches Night Out has proven to be one of the highlights of the annual clinic, but it has also proven to be one of the more “abused” activities during the clinic. This evening is hosted for the benefit of those coaches, AD’s, speakers and vendors who are registered for the clinic. You are welcome to bring along your spouse, but friends and other family members are not included. The Coaches Night Out will be held at the Champions Club and features unlimited, FREE parking. Doors will open promptly at 8:30 p.m. and not a moment before. You will not be permitted to take food or beverage items from the Champions Club.

NO ONE UNDER THE AGE OF 21 IS PERMITTED TO ATTEND!

Attend District and Sports Meetings

This is your opportunity to become actively involved in the direction of the NCA. You can make suggestions about speakers, All-Star Games, clinic schedules, other clinics and anything else of interest to members. The various Sports Advisory Committees are solely responsible for selecting all-star players and coaches and coaches of the year, as well as determining the direction of the NCA. Sports Advisory Committee members will be selected in Districts I, III, and V at this year’s clinic. District meetings are your opportunity to select the members of the Board of Directors, who will serve a two year term. Make sure you have a say-so in the direction of your association.

Clinic Notes on the Web

Every attempt will be made to provide coaches the opportunity to learn from the best coaches in the nation. Following the clinic, handouts will be available on the NCA’s web page at ncacoach.org. It may take a few weeks to get everything on the web, as the office staff must scan handouts, and sometimes this creates a daunting task. Some speakers have asked us not to provide their notes to those not attending the clinic, and we will honor their request. Make sure you regularly check the NCA’s website for updates.



Clinic Volunteers

The NCA must rely on several people to run off the clinic and we thank the many volunteers who assist the NCA. You will notice several people in Event Staff shirts who are there to assist you with directions and answer your questions about the clinic. They are also present to make sure you are wearing your nametags. Please thank them for their time and efforts in assisting the NCA in making the clinic run as smoothly as possible. Remember, they are only doing as the NCA staff has requested.

Banquet Tickets/Parking

The 40th Annual Awards and Recognition Banquet will be held on Thursday, August 2 and the Great Hall in Lincoln’s Haymarket. Parking is no longer an issue with the parking garage on the corner of 9th & Q Sts., you will have just a short 2 block walk to the Great Hall. **DO NOT**, under any circumstances, park in the Burlington lot under the “O” St. ramp as you WILL be towed and ticketed. Tickets for the banquet will be available in the NCA booth until noon on Tuesday, July 31. Tickets for the banquet are \$25 each.

UNL FOOTBALL TICKETS



I'm baaaaaaack!!!!!!!!!!!!
Each year, we reprint the article pertaining to UNL football tickets and lucky for you, this year is no exception. The University of Nebraska will continue to

make tickets available for home Nebraska football games. For new coaches, you need to pay close attention to the policy, but for those "old timers" nothing has changed. Call-in will take place on the same schedule as previous years, with schools able to begin placing calls on the Wednesday preceding a home game. The lines will open at 9:00 a.m. and remain open until noon, and then will reopen at 1:30 p.m. and stay open until all tickets are reserved. The ticket line number is 402-434-5688.

Ticket pickup time is 1 1/2 hours prior to kick-off, with the gate closing 1/2 hour prior to kick-off. **AS ALWAYS, IF YOU ARE LATE OR A NO-SHOW FOR A TICKET, YOU WILL BE BILLED AT FACE VALUE FOR THE UNCLAIMED TICKET AND THE SCHOOL WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ORDER ANY TICKETS UNTIL THE BILL IS SATISFIED. THAT "NO-SHOW OR LATE" POLICY APPLIES TO HEAVY TRAFFIC, THE INABILITY TO FIND ADEQUATE PARKING, OR NOT FINDING THE CORRECT GATE. LEAVE EARLY AND ALLOW YOURSELF PLENTY OF TIME TO GET TO THE STADIUM.** To pick up your ticket, coaches must have the 2007-08 NCA membership card and a photo ID. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!** Pick up will continue to be at Gate 1 on the southwest corner of the stadium. A sign will be posted over the correct gate. Make sure you know the gate # and the time as that is solely your responsibility.

We ask that each school designate a person to be the "clearing house" for tickets, preferably the head football coach or the athletic director. The NCA office will only accept one call from a school and if additional calls are made, the entire order will be cancelled. The allocation for tickets will remain the same as in previous years. Based on football classification, Class A will receive 3 tickets, Classes B & C, two tickets and Class D, one ticket. Due to a limited number of tickets, orders are accepted on a first come, first served basis. Schools may exceed their allotment at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons when the line reopens. If schools exceed their allotment in the initial call-in, the entire order will be cancelled. If additional tickets remain, the line will reopen on Thursday morning at 9:00 a.m. for retired coaches

and tickets for family members. Keep in mind that tickets for non-coaches are face value, as they are not eligible for reduced priced tickets.

If you are unsure of the correct gate, please call the NCA office for directions. If you have any questions about our policy, please feel free to call the NCA office at 402-434-5675, or you may email the office at nca@ncacoach.org. The 2007 UNL football schedule is as follows:

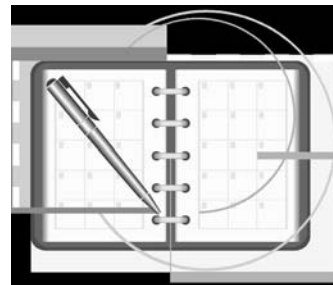
September 1	Nevada	2:30 p.m.
September 15	USC	7:00 p.m.
September 22	Ball State	TBA
September 29	Iowa State	TBA
October 13	Oklahoma State	TBA
October 20	Texas A & M	TBA
November 10	Kansas State	2:30 p.m.

2008 SPORTSMANSHIP SUMMIT

Plans are underway for the 6th Annual Sportsmanship Summit, and for the first time, it will be held in Lincoln. The site is Nebraska Wesleyan University and the summit will be held on Tuesday, November 20. Over 5,000 participants have attended the summit in the past five years. This year's summit will feature Harvey Alston and Bruce Brown, along with a star-studded line-up. Make plans to attend the 6th Annual Sportsmanship Summit on Tuesday, November 20 at Nebraska Wesleyan University.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



The NCA office will make every attempt to provide a schedule of activities in the quarterly issues of the *nebraska coach*, as well as on the NCA's web page. This is so you can make plans well in advance of the activities and make

sure you have them on your calendar.

Upcoming events include:

July 31-August 2	Multi-Sports Clinic
September 30	Board of Directors Meeting
TBA	Swimming Clinic
October 19	All-Star Volleyball Nominations Due
October 19	All-Star Softball Nominations Due
November 11	All-Star Volleyball Selection
November 16-17	State Championship Football Clinic
November 20	Sportsmanship Summit
January 18	All-Star GB & BB Nominations Due
February 23	Cheer & Dance Competition
March 2	All-Star Girls Basketball Selection
March 9	All-Star Boys Basketball Selection



The Nebraska Independent College Foundation is proud to sponsor the 2005 NCA/NSIAAA Sportsmanship Summit and the Sportsmanship Awards to be presented at the Boys and Girls State Basketball Tournaments in 2006.

Nebraska's independent colleges include the 11 private colleges and universities that are members of the Nebraska Independent College Foundation.

- Bellevue University (www.bellevue.edu)
- College of Saint Mary (www.csm.edu)
- Concordia University (www.cune.edu)
- Dana College (www.dana.edu)
- Doane College (www.doane.edu)
- Grace University (www.graceuniversity.edu)
- Hastings College (www.hastings.edu)
- Midland Lutheran College (www.mlc.edu)
- Nebraska Wesleyan University (www.nebrwesleyan.edu)
- Union College (www.ucollege.edu)
- York College (www.york.edu)



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Hall of Fame to induct 22 at September ceremony

The Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame Foundation will induct 22 athletes, coaches, contributors and officials into the hall of fame during its 14th annual induction ceremonies Sept. 23 at the Lied Center in Lincoln.



This year's inductees are:

- **Bobby Bass**, Omaha Benson (1975): The Omaha World-Herald's first three-time all-state football selection, he scored 22 touchdowns as a junior.
- **Randy Brooks**, Omaha Creighton Prep (1975): Won five gold medals at the state track meet in 1976 and 1977. He set the state record in the 110-meter high hurdles (13.7 seconds) and the 180-yard low hurdles.
- **Elmer Dohrmann**, Seward (1933): Started at end on Seward's state champion football team of 1931 that went 9-0 and outscored its opponents 320-2. At the University of Nebraska, he earned 11 letters, the most of any Husker athlete.
- **Jeff Evans**, Fremont (1973): Won all but two races in his high school swimming career, setting state records at all four state meets. He was the first Nebraska swimmer to break four minutes in the 400-meter freestyle.
- **Stan Parker**, Bellevue East (1982): Excelled at football where he lettered for three years for the Nebraska Cornhuskers and was an Associated Press All-American Honorable Mention in 1986. At Bellevue East he was a state wrestling and discus champion.
- **Doug Phelps**, Hastings High School (1975): The first Nebraskan to clear the 7-foot barrier in the high jump, he was the state's Athlete of the Year in 1975.
- **Virginia (Stahr) Gee**, Centennial (1985): Earned 12 varsity letters and was he Lincoln Journal Star Athlete of the Year. She was the Big Eight Athlete of the Year in 1989.
- **Erick Strickland**, Bellevue West (1992): Earned all-state honors in football, basketball and baseball, leading Bellevue West's basketball team to three straight state tournaments, including a runner-up finish in 1991.
- **Clarence Swanson**, Wakefield (1917): Played football, basketball and baseball at Wakefield. At the University of Nebraska, Swanson was a four-year letterman on the football team, setting school receiving records.
- **Howard "Dutch" Welch**, Gothenburg (1924): Never lost a mile run in Nebraska, he competed in the National Interscholastic Track Meet at the University of Chicago, beating 53 runners.
- **Allison Weston**, Papillion-LaVista (1992): Earned all-state honors in volleyball and basketball her junior and senior seasons, she went on to be the captain of the 2000 Olympic volleyball team.
- **Andre Woolridge**, Omaha Benson (1992): Scored a championship-game record 50 points to lead the Bunnies to the state title his senior year. He was All-Metro for three years and finished with 1,911 points, a Class A record.
- **Paul Brungardt**, coach, Humphrey St. Francis: Compiled a career basketball coaching record of 473-159 over 29 years, winning Class D-1 state championships in 1990, 1992 and 1994.
- **Linda Carlson**, coach, North Platte: Started the volleyball and track programs at North Platte, guiding the Bulldogs to the inaugural Class A state track championship in 1971. In volleyball, she compiled a 476-252 record from 1970-2003. Her teams won state championships in 1979 and 1980 and finished second in 1975.
- **Ron Coleman**, coach, McCook: Won seven Class B state golf championships and two runner-up trophies from 1990 to 2004. He also was an assistant football and assistant basketball coach.
- **Don Kelley**, coach, Lincoln Pius X: Compiled a 371-188 record in boys and girls basketball. His boys team advanced to the state tournament five times, winning the state championship in 1974. In 1985, he became the girls coach, leading the Thunderbolts to five state tournament appearances in seven years and winning the state title in 1991 and 1992.
- **Jim Puetz**, coach, Columbus Scotus: Compiled a 236-96-6 record coaching football for 34 years, 31 at Columbus Scotus. His teams won state championships in 1984 and 1993. He also coached Scotus to two state track championships.
- **Mark Ahmann**, Wayne, contributor: Was the primary face and voice of Nebraska high school sports while hosting KOLN/KGIN's Friday night Sports Roundup from 1972 to 1980.
- **Dewaine Gahan**, Oakland, contributor: Co-owner of the Oakland Independent and Lyons Mirror-Sun, he has been of long-time supporter of high school athletics through newspaper coverage and columns as well as a pioneer in directing, developing and promoting all-star events for seniors.
- **Ronald Park**, contributor: Park served as the Director of Athletics and Activities at Millard North from 1981 to 1995, overseeing 21 varsity sports and numerous junior varsity, sophomore and freshman programs.
- **Dennis Logan/Dan Newmyer**, officials, North Platte: A "team" of officials, they logan together for about 40 years, working the state basketball tournament from 1964 to 1968 and the 1984 Shrine Bowl. They also worked many state football playoffs.

Do you have a nose for sports history?

As the Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame makes plans for its displays in the new NSAA headquarters, the call has gone out for memorabilia of all kinds.

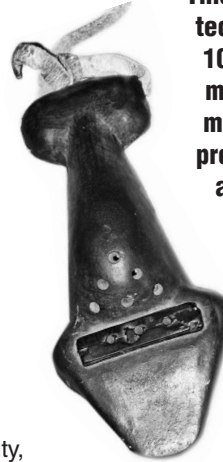
Among the items needed are photos, videos (of any format) and all types of artifacts.

The Hall of Fame has established a committee to gather all items for display. The committee is chaired by Jerry Stine of Papillion and includes Randy Cordes of York, Bob Jensen of Central City, Dan Moore of Ansley and Del Schoenfish of Cambridge, and of whom you can contact to share the joy of Nebraska high school sports history.

Coaches and athletic administrators are Hall of Fame's best source of

information. If you know of someone who deserves recognition from the Hall of Fame, please submit a nomination.

This iron nose protector from nearly 100 years ago may have caused more pain than protection. It attaches to the football player's helmet and is held in place by a slab of rubber that fits between the teeth.



Nomination forms are available at the Hall of Fame's Web site at www.nebhalloffame.org.

The Hall is also interested in nominations for Gold and Silver Anniversary teams. Check your school's trophy case. If you have a championship trophy from the 1958-59 or, 1983-84 school years, consider nominating that team. Or, look ahead a few years

and start planning that nomination.

Letters of recommendation can be sent to the Hall of Fame the selection committee chairman, Randy Cordes, at 521 Iowa Ave., York, NE, 68467.

Hall's special awards recall legendary teams, people who make sports great

The Hall of Fame will present several special awards at its September induction ceremony to honor others involved in high school athletics.

This year's honorees include:

- **Ron Gustafson Inspiration Award:** Drew Pope, Chadron. Through three years of chemotherapy in Denver, Pope overcame acute lymphocytic leukemia at a young age and went on to letter in football, basketball and track at Chadron High School. He is a freshman at Nebraska Wesleyan where he lettered in football.
- **Fischer Family Award:** Henry and Ethel Rother Family of Wolbach. Married in 1941, Henry and Ethel have seen their family grow to 18 children, 55 grandchildren and 41 great-grandchildren. Each family has excelled in multiple high school activities including football, basketball, wrestling, track, softball, baseball and cheerleading, earning numerous all-conference and all-state honors as well as individual and team state championships.
- **Silver Anniversary Team:** Wilber-Clatonia girls basketball. Led by Angie Miller, who averaged 22.7 points and 11 rebounds per game, Wilber-Clatonia went 27-0 and won the Class C state championship.
- **Silver Anniversary Team:** Wheeler Central girls track and field. Led by Hall of Famer Karlene Erickson, the Wheeler Central girls track team completed a four-year run that included a state runner-up finish in 1980 and Class D state titles in 1981, 1982 and 1983. The 1983 team scored 65 points, including three individual first places and a gold medal and the Class D state record in the 3,200-meter relay.
- **Silver Anniversary Team:** Columbus boys tennis. The Class B state championship team with a record 54

Need tickets?

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for elementary and high school students. There is no charge for preschool children.

Ticket information is available by contacting Jen Kuck at the Nebraska Sports Council at 1-402-471-2544.

- points included No. 1 singles winner Robert Sjöhom of Finland, No. 2 doubles champions Brad Scheidegger and Clay Castner and No. 2 singles runner-up Martin Sipple. The team was 6-0 in duals and won every invitation.
- **Golden Anniversary Team:** Lexington football. Undefeated (8-0) and The Associated Press Class A state champion, the Minutemen allowed only one touchdown all year. The team included three all-state starters: Dallas Dyer, Monte Kiffin and Mick Tingelhoff.
- **Golden Anniversary Team:** Clatonia boys basketball. The only undefeated team in the 1957-58 season, Clatonia went 27-0 to win Class D while scoring 71.6 points and allowing 39.6 points per game during the season. Starter Oren Miller is the father of Angie Miller.
- **Great Moment in Nebraska High School Sports:** The NSAA's invitation to the Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame and to the Nebraska Coaches' Association to share building space in Lincoln.

So You Want to Be a Coach?

Dr. Jim Tenopir, NSAA Executive Director



“So you want to be a coach?” I can still remember that query from a family friend many years ago. “So just what does a coach need to know and do?”

At the time, I was a sophomore in college, but I still remember the thoughts that raced through my mind, just like it was yesterday.

“Why is he asking?”

“Isn’t it obvious that I needed to know something about the game and the strategies involved in playing the game?”

“Doesn’t he know that there are practice sessions, games, and winning celebrations?”

“Surely he knows that if I’m going to be a high school coach, I must get my teaching degree and certificate, doesn’t he?”

“How do I respond?”

Well, I’m not exactly sure how I responded, but in retrospect, I’m absolutely positive that I didn’t begin to have a clue about everything that I needed to know and do to be a high school coach.

Yes, knowing something about the game and the strategies involved are important if you’re going to be a coach—or at least a somewhat successful coach. And, yes, there are practice sessions and games, but there is so much more.



My first coaching experience was as the head football coach in a small Kansas high school. As green as I was, I’m sure that I didn’t have a good grasp on many of the administrative responsibilities that go along with being a coach.

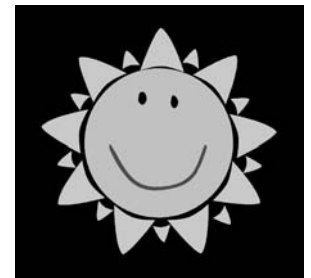
It was my program; how dare the principal/athletic director try to tell me when I could practice and for how long? How dare the music teacher even think about scheduling a concert on the night before a game? And what was the parent thinking that would have the audacity to question one of my team rules?

I had taken the course in care and treatment of athletic injuries, but I’m sure that my level of practical knowledge was inadequate. I did not have a clue about the administrative duty to warn students and parents about the risks inherent in athletic participation. I can remember the time, well after my first year of teaching and coaching, that I was finally convinced that a pre-season meeting with parents might just be a good thing.

I hate to admit it, but they say confession is good for the soul. I was a coach first, and a teacher second. I recall placing the emphasis on what I

taught in the math classroom, spending time after class to help the student for whom comprehension was slow in coming. I recall doing my weekly lesson plans and constructively filling most class periods with instruction. But deep down, my passion was coaching. I can remember thinking; I will be more sorely scrutinized and evaluated on my win-loss record than I will if a student has a good grip on the Pythagorean Theorem. I didn’t have a very good perspective of the concept of educational athletics—the concept that the high school activities program should be supportive of and accountable to the instructional program.

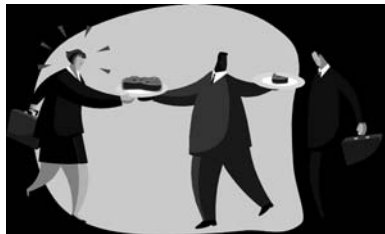
And to proclaim that I knew and understood the eligibility rules, regulations about transfer students, or guidelines regarding undue influence or recruiting would have been totally wrong. As a first year coach, I still couldn’t have responded accurately to the family friend who asked, “So just what does a coach need to know and do?”



Summer 2007 will soon be drawing to a close, and as I reflect back on my first year of coaching, I am inclined to wonder, how many of Nebraska’s coaches—not just first-year coaches—could accurately respond to the question, “So just what does a coach need to know and do?”

It is not a disgrace to lack knowledge in many of the areas that coaches are expected to be informed, but it is a disgrace if there is a coach who is not striving to learn and understand.

A good place to start is to visit with the school's administration to understand and comply with administrative expectations. In most situations, the athletic director and principal are great allies and tutors. While their personal philosophies may differ from the coach's, they often share the coach's goals to keep the program student-centered and to foster successful outcomes. It is remarkable how much support a coach can derive from a positive relationship with the school's administration, whether that is in dealing with the upset parent, interacting with an overly assertive media person, or in weathering a less-than-successful season.



Another area that is worth considering is spending time in the rule book. Many coaches, even though they've played the game or previously coached, do not have an adequate grasp of the playing rules. And when game situations produce correct calls by the game officials, there are sometimes needless disagreements, disagreements that sometimes escalate to unsporting outcomes, often because the coach didn't know or understand the rule. Some states require their head coaches to take the open book rules test that Nebraska requires of game officials. Some of the stories that are told lead me to believe that some coaches would be better served if they spent some time in the rules book. That is part of the reason that head coach attendance at rules meetings is required.

From a biased perspective, I believe that coaches would be well served to know and understand the bylaws and approved ruling of the high school activities association. The



NSAA annually publishes a Yearbook containing the NSAA Constitution and Bylaws. These rules are promulgated and approved by member schools; they represent the rules by which member school wish to be governed. The Yearbook contains the rules for

eligibility, transfer situations, recruiting, pre-participation requirements, non-school competition, and permissible coach-athlete interactions. The NSAA annually publishes a manual for each activity, further chronicling the sport-specific rules for competition, classification, and season-ending tournaments, meets, and playoffs.

I strongly believe that it is important for the coach to know and understand that he or she is the single most important person in influencing a school's sportsmanship. The coach that is out of control on the bench or the sideline often adversely impacts how his/her team and spectators deport themselves. By the same token, the coach who keeps his/her composure and who expects the team to do likewise, often controls the behaviors of spectators. Actions speak louder than words.

And it is important for the coach to understand that they are a role model for students, good or bad. The story is told of a high school basketball player who was assessed a technical foul for vulgar language, a technical that likely cost the team the game. In his



tantrum in the locker room following the game, the coach asked the player, "Where did you learn that behavior." It was difficult to defend when the player responded, "From you, Coach!" We never really have the understanding of the impact we have on students in the classroom or the athletic arena, but coaches impact many lives. As coaches, we need to understand that it is preferable for athletes to return years later, sharing the positive things they've learned from your teachings and your modeling. That's high school athletic coaching.

As we start another school year, I would ask you to re-examine your question, "So just what does a coach need to know and do?" Are you prepared to take on the very important task of leading young people in a worthwhile educational athletic pursuit? I trust that you are well aware of what, as a coach, you "need to know and do!" Good luck to you in your coaching efforts this school year.

FROM THE DIRECTOR

By Steve Johnsen, NCA Executive Director



This issue of the *nebraska coach* is generally one of the most difficult to produce, as the office is swamped by other details surrounding the summer clinic. This year proves to be no different, as we still need to notify coaches and athletic directors of the many activities at the clinic. We have several new members and we need to update them on policies and procedures regarding tickets, membership card benefits, etc. We also need to let the coaches/AD's who didn't attend the 2007 clinic, know that they missed out on a great week.

An outstanding line-up of speakers and presenters has been assembled at this year's clinic. Much of the credit of providing those names goes to the various Sports Advisory Committees, as many of the recommendations came directly from them. During the year, the NCA office receives several speaker recommendations and that is also greatly appreciated. Someone once asked how the NCA is able to improve on each year's clinic offerings, and much of that credit goes to interested coaches who take the time to make recommendations.



As we enter the 2007-08 school year, we are looking forward to adding another event to the calendar of the NCA, that being the Cheerleading and Dance State Championships in Grand Island on Saturday, February 23, 2008. We are excited about the opportunities this will offer the young ladies and a few gentlemen to showcase their talent in a state championship setting. We encourage administrators to provide information to cheer and dance coaches and sponsors when it is sent out this fall. I have had the opportunity to meet several cheerleading and dance coaches this summer, and the excitement is at a high level.

The NCA will continue to offer three additional clinics during the school year beginning with a swimming clinic at a date yet to be determined. Swimming coaches are in the process of determining a time and location for this year's clinic. The NCA will provide a football clinic on November 16-17 at the Champions Club, held in conjunction with the State Football Finals at Memorial Stadium. The NCA will also host a spring

track clinic on a date and at a site to be determined. The UNL track schedule isn't out yet, so it is difficult to make specific plans this early. This brings to mind an issue regarding speakers at these various clinics. Aside from the summer clinic, the smaller sport specific clinics are unique to the point that generally high school coaches from within the State of Nebraska are generally asked to speak. We have a boundless pool of talent in Nebraska and don't always do an adequate job of soliciting those coaches to speak. If you would like to hear someone from our own ranks, make sure you provide that name to our office and we'll do everything to twist their arm to speak. If you are ever willing to speak, make sure you let us know.

The future of the Nebraska Coaches Association will take a new direction after the first of the year when the office will move into new quarters at the new NSAA building in the Haymarket. Based on projections from Dr. Tenopir, the move should take place sometime in late January or early February/2008. The 22 years I have been occupying this position, we have been at three previous addresses, including our present location. Hopefully this will provide a long term, permanent site. The move will create some unique situations in the office such as address changes, possibly a change in phone numbers, as well as other issues. We are asking you in advance to be patient as we make the move as it may disrupt the operations for a short while. December, January, and February are generally the busiest times in the office in making arrangements for the following summer's coach's clinic. We will do the best we can to keep the doors open with limited disruptions. Anyone want to volunteer their time to assist in the move? Just a thought.



Before I hear any grouching from coaches attending rules meetings at the clinic this year, two items must be addressed. First, only coaches registered for the clinic are eligible to attend the NSAA Rules Meetings scheduled during the clinic. The primary rationale is to maintain security at the clinic and some semblance of control of the number of people we have attending. The second issue is the location of the various rules meetings. At the request of NSAA staff, the largest rules meetings (football, basketball, and volleyball) are all being held in the auditorium at North Star. This allows for better seating conditions, better sound, and much improved AV access. We apologize for any

inconvenience this may cause with moving the football sessions out of the auditorium for those two hours, but we are making every attempt to provide the best venue for the service the NSAA provides to our coaches.

We remind coaches/AD's to spend some time in the vendor area at the 2007 Multi-Sports Clinic. As indicated earlier, vendors provide a tremendous service to both the clinic as well as to those coaches attending. The fees they provide assist the NCA greatly in underwriting the cost of speakers, flights, lodging, etc. which, in turn, allows for the reduced registration fees. Coaches are also provided the opportunity to see some of the newest examples of weight equipment, uniforms, motivational ideas, plus many other services the vendors provide. Make sure you thank exhibitors for their attendance as well as feel free to contact them following the clinic. Vendor's names and addresses will be available on our website following the completion of the clinic.

In closing, I want to take the opportunity to thank the NCA Board of Directors for their leadership this past year. A special thanks to NCA President Les Hill of Thayer Central for his guidance and support. Also a special thanks to all of the volunteers who assist in hosting the annual

clinic. All of the event staff personnel, registration assistance and door guards are volunteers and receive nothing more than a shirt and a few meals. Thanks for their continuing patience in my begging for their help. Also a special thanks to the many spouses of board members who are willing to give up vacation time to help with clinic. We couldn't do it without their support. Finally, I'd like to give a



huge thank you to the NCA office staff. Kim, Vicky and Amanda have done an outstanding job in the organization of the clinic, all-star games and banquet and also for their patience and understanding throughout the final weeks of preparation for clinic week.

The NCA office staff wishes you the best of luck during the upcoming school year and athletic season. Make the most of your opportunities, be the best example you can to your players and staff, and take time to spend time to be with your family. Your jobs can become overwhelming at times, but your family will always be there for you.



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Celeste Pankonin, Chase County

Celeste is a Chase County graduate who maintained a 4.0 grade average throughout her career. She was active in volleyball, basketball, and track during high school and achieved All-State Honorable Mention for her contributions on the court, and also received All-State status for academics. She was appointed team captain of both her volleyball and basketball teams. Excelling in all her sports, Celeste appeared at State events many times. Highlighting her appearances include receiving 2nd place in high jump her junior year. Celeste also finds time to give back to the community by participating in many volunteer activities.



Ashley Paseka, Prague

As a graduate of Prague High School, Ashley scored an outstanding 34 on her ACT and carries a 4.0 grade average. This three-sport athlete has lettered all four years in volleyball, basketball, and track. Ashley has also received Academic All-State honors for all three of her sports. As a World Herald Distinguished Scholar, she has received the U.S. Air Force Math & Science Award and the USAA National Mathematics, History, and Government Award. Ashley plans to pursue a pharmaceutical degree in college.



Shawn Hutsell, Hampton

Shawn graduated from Hampton Public with a 3.98 grade point average. As a University of Nebraska Regents Scholarship recipient, Shawn has excelled in both the classroom and extra-curricular activities. He was a four year letter winner in both band and speech where he received many honors for his presentations in the one-act plays, state speech contests, and performances as the leading trumpet player. This Class President also participated in football, track, and basketball. He is also active in his church group.



Nathan Sindt, Scottsbluff

Nathan graduated first in his class of 216 with a perfect 4.0 average from Scottsbluff. Nathan was involved in football, basketball, and track. Achieving Academic All-American nominee status for basketball and All-Academic teams for football and basketball are some highlights from his career. An All-State honorable mention in football, this multi-event athlete has found some tough times with injury but has fought back to great strengths with his great attitude and his ability to show his faith while playing the sports he loves.



Brett Kuhn, Loup City

Brett, a graduate of Loup City, was ranked 3rd in his class with a 95.49 average. He lettered all four years of his high school career in football, basketball, and track. Furthermore, he was a captain for both his football and basketball teams for multiple seasons. He was recognized on the All-State honorable mention and academic teams. Brett also participated in band where he played the trumpet. With a long list of achievements behind his name, one of Brett's local successes includes winning the Voice of Democracy essay contest.



Rachel Heeney, South Sioux City

A South Sioux City graduate, Rachel Heeney had a 4.4 grade point average and graduated as the valedictorian of her class. As the captain of both her volleyball and basketball teams, she made All-State Honorable Mention in both sports. Breaking multiple school records in volleyball, Rachel excelled on the court. Rachel also participated in choir and track along with many volunteer activities. As an Academic All-State member in both volleyball and basketball, Rachel was recognized as a Wendy's High School Heisman Nominee. As a four year member and secretary of National Honor Society, Rachel has found success both in the classroom and on the court by learning from her experiences as an athlete and scholar.



Amanda Lee, Lincoln Pius X

Amanda is a Pius graduate with a perfect 4.0 grade point average, which earns her valedictorian of her class of 239. A four year letter winner in cross country and three year letter winner in track, she has been a member of two championship cross country teams and one runner up. Amanda has truly shown what hard work and determination can lead to. She received an amazing 35 on her ACT. Her accomplishments in the classroom have guided her to many local awards including University of Nebraska-Omaha World Herald Scholar, State Finalist for the Wendy's High School Heisman Scholar, and a Candidate for the 2007 Presidential Scholar Program.



Colby McMann, Southeast NE Consolidated

Colby, a 4.0 student and graduate of Southeast NE Consolidated School, has lettered in volleyball and basketball all four years of her high school career. Co-captain of her basketball and volleyball teams, she received All-conference honors and Academic All-State in both of her sports. A first place recipient for three years at the Greater Southeast Nebraska Math Challenge, Colby has received an All-American scholar award. She has also participated in Girls' State, National Honors Society, and has held a part-time job on top of her activities.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION BANQUET AWARD WINNERS

The Fortieth Annual Awards and Recognition Banquet will be held on Thursday, August 2 at the Great Hall in the Train Station in the Historic Haymarket. Along with the recognition of State Champion Coaches and Scholarship winners, the following coaches will be recognized for their contributions to high school and junior high athletics:

2007 MILESTONE LEVEL IV

Curt Carlson.....Basketball
Gary Chvala.....Basketball
Tim Wilbeck.....Basketball
Bob Hoyer.....Boys' Cross Country
Patrick McFadden.....Boys' Cross Country
Patrick McFadden.....Boys' Track
Steve Reeves.....Girls' Cross Country
Father Michael Liebl.....Boys' Tennis
Dean Korus.....Volleyball
Mike Smith.....Volleyball

COACH-OF-THE-YEAR

Jerry Frerichs.....Baseball.....Elkhorn
Bob Hayes.....Boys' Basketball.....Ponca
Stephanie Rodenbaugh.....Boys' Track.....Loomis
Roger Wright.....Cross Country.....Omaha Marian
Brandon Cool.....Football.....Kearney
Dave Sautter.....Girls' Basketball.....Alliance
Jeff Stern.....Girls' Track.....Grand Island
Darrel Hoffman.....Golf.....Beatrice
Judy Breed.....Soccer.....Elkhorn
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25 YEAR COACHES

William Beckenhauer.....McCook
Jeff Bellar.....Norfolk Catholic
Kirk Crawley.....Broken Bow
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Bret Harpster.....Waverly
Mike McMahon.....Omaha Skutt
Tom Olson.....Norfolk
Rick Peterson.....Arnold
Dick Ross.....Grand Island CC
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COACH-OF-THE-YEAR

Craig Burchess.....Grand Island
Paul Mulcahy.....Syracuse
Dave Novak.....Murdock
Dan O'Brien.....McCook
Arlo Pinkerman.....Stromsburg

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Celeste Pankonin.....Chase County
Rachel Heeney.....South Sioux City
Colby McMann.....SE Nebraska Consolidated
Nathan Sindt.....Scottsbluff
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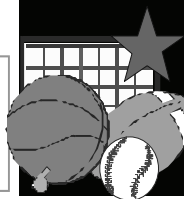
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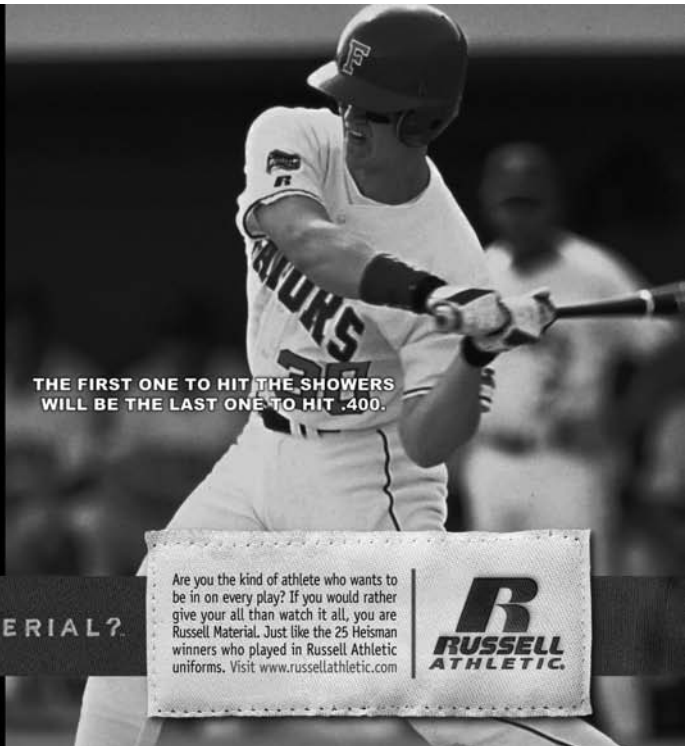
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16TH YEAR THE NCA CAREER MILESTONE PROGRAM HAS RECOGNIZED COACHES

by
Jerry Stine

43 Coaches Receive Recognition in 2007

The Career Milestone Committee met at Doniphan High School on June 25 to make the final screening of the Milestone applications that were submitted this year. Committee members attending were Dan Keyser, Cambridge, NCA Past-President; Les Hill, Thayer Central, NCA President; Ron Kubik, NCA President-Elect; Sam Dunn, NCA Vice-President, Minden; and Jerry Stine, Papillion, a NCA Past-President and Career Milestone Secretary.

This year 43 coaches applied for the NCA Career Milestone award, with 50 applications submitted in all. During the 2007 NCA Multi-Sports Clinic Sport's Meetings at 11:10 a.m. on Wednesday, 19 coaches receiving Level I certificates will be recognized, 14 coaches receiving Level II certificates will be recognized, 7 coaches receiving Level III certificates will be recognized, as well as 9 (one double winner) Level IV recipients. The Level I (bronze), II (silver), and III (gold) certificates can be picked up at the NCA booth anytime during the clinic. This year ten coaches will receive the Level IV plaque (the ultimate award in this program) at the NCA Awards Banquet on Thursday night.

If you are not familiar with this program, it takes 100 wins in team sports (50 in football) to achieve Level I and 200 points in individual sports. To achieve Level II, it takes 200 wins in team sports (100 in football) and 400 points in individual sports. Accumulating 300 wins in team sports (150 in football) and 600 points in individual sports will get you Level III recognition. The Level IV plaque is presented to coaches that have coached 400 wins in team sports (200 in football) and have accumulated 800 points in individual sports. Team sports include football, volleyball, basketball, baseball, soccer, and softball. Individual sports include cross country, golf, gymnastics, wrestling, swimming, tennis, and track. You must apply for this award to be recognized, you must be an NCA member, and the competition must be NSAA sponsored. The criteria and application for this award is available on the NCA website (www.ncacoach.org).

Near the NCA booth and at each sport's session are posted the 1992 - 2007 Career Milestone winners. They are broken down into each sport and listed alphabetically under each Level achieved. Please take time to look them over and if you should be on the list, get an application and start the process of applying for next year. Also on display at the booth is a nice wall plaque that has 153 Level IV milestone winners engraved on it and a Power Point presentation that shows all 1,123 NCA Career Milestone winners in an 18 minute presentation.

If you have changed schools since you received your award, please e-mail me at jlstine@cox.net and let me know. If you would like a copy of the 1,123 milestone winners and you have the program Excel on your computer, I would be happy to send you a list of the award winners as an attachment to an e-mail. Other questions concerning the Milestone awards program may also be directed to me. I do have a new address, 1004 Lake Vista Drive, Papillion, NE 68046.

The Level IV Career Milestone winners that will receive a plaque at the NCA banquet on Thursday night are:

Curt Carlson	Norris	Basketball
Gary Chvala	O'Neill St. Mary's	Basketball
Tim Wilbeck	Exeter-Milligan	Basketball
Bob Hoyer	Malcolm	Boys' Cross Country
Patrick F. McFadden	Kearney	Boys' Cross Country & Track
Steve Reeves	Gothenburg	Girls' Cross Country
Fr. Michael Liebl	Elkhorn Mount Michael	Boys' Tennis
Dean Korus	Humphrey St. Francis	Volleyball
Michael Smith	Alma	Volleyball

The following are the 2007 Level I, Level II, and Level III Milestone Award winners (please pick up your certificates at the NCA booth during the clinic):

Neil Woofter	Lewiston	Basketball	I, II, III
Jim Carlson	Spencer-Naper	Basketball	III
Fred Kluck	Bruning-Davenport	Basketball	III
Jerry Buck	Holdrege	Basketball	II
Mike Buckles	Broken Bow	Basketball	II
Arlo Wusk	Sterling	Basketball	II
Duane Baack	Lincoln Southwest	Basketball	I
Bo Krivohlavek	Logan View	Basketball	I
Scott Shipley	Shickley	Basketball	I
Bob Hoyer	Malcolm	Boys' Cross Country	III
Patrick F. McFadden	Kearney	Boys' Cross Country	II, III
Sean McMahon	Fremont	Boys' Cross Country	I, II
Doug Zoucha	Norfolk Catholic	Boys' Cross Country	I, II
Doug Zoucha	Norfolk Catholic	Girls' Cross Country	I
Neil Woofter	Lewiston	Football	I, II, III
Joe Vojtech	Millard West	Football	III
Christopher Ardissono	Bruning-Davenport	Football	I
Brett Davis	Johnson-Brock	Football	I
Jeff Jensen	Creighton	Football	I
Ricci Westland	Pleasanton	Football	I
Scott Sibbersen	Creighton Prep	Boys' Golf	I, II
Greg Appleby	Ewing	Boys' Golf	II
Steve Exstrom	Minden	Girls' Golf	II, III
Gene Lessman	Lincoln Southeast	Softball	I
Rob Sweetland	Wayne	Softball	I
Stephanie Rodenbaugh	Loomis	Boys' Track	I, II
Doug Zoucha	Norfolk Catholic	Boys' Track	I, II
Alan Strong	Pawnee City	Boys' Track	III
John Votta	Norris	Boys' Track	II
Shayne Hike	Perkins County	Boys' Track	I
Neil Woofter	Lewiston	Boys' Track	I
Patrick F. McFadden	Kearney	Girls' Track	I, II, III
Tom Schoenfelder	Southern Valley	Girls' Track	II
Jeff Stern	Grand Island	Girls' Track	II
Stephanie Rodenbaugh	Loomis	Girls' Track	I
Neil Woofter	Lewiston	Girls' Track	I
Amy Ludwig	Freeman	Volleyball	II
Julie Dugan	Palmer	Volleyball	I
Jenny Gragert	Elkhorn	Volleyball	I
Craig Songster	Centennial	Volleyball	I
Neil VanLengen	Dodge	Volleyball	I
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The Nebraska Coaches Association Board of Directors established a “Silver Membership” for coaches/AD’s retired from the profession. Several of them have joined for the lifetime fee of just \$50. This membership entitles those retired coaches/AD’s to attend anything the NCA sponsors at no cost once the fee is paid. Silver membership card holders can attend the clinics, All-Star Games, Coaches Night Out, etc. for the rest of their lives, as long as they don’t reenter the coaching profession. Make sure to read through the qualifying standards and submit the form.

Eligibility:

1. Member/Past Member in good standing or at the discretion of the NCA Board of Directors
2. 25 years of service to coaching or a combination of coaching and athletic administration
3. Be totally retired from coaching

Benefits:

1. ALL benefits of NCA membership. (excluding coaches liability coverage, eligibility to coach in All-Star Games, etc.)
2. Quarterly issues of the *nebraska coach*
3. Silver lifetime membership card
4. One-time enrollment fee
5. Free admission to All-Star Games and all NCA-sponsored clinics
6. Offer clinic sessions for retired/semi retired/and considering retiring coaches (if enough interest)
7. Retired Coaches Clinic Luncheon (if enough interest)
8. Master Coaches List

Cost: One time enrollment fee of \$50

This membership will be on an application basis only. If you are retired, you must take the first step by requesting the application form from the NCA office at 402-434-5675. We welcome you to continue your affiliation with the Nebraska Coaches Association and thank you for your tremendous contributions to our profession and our student athletes.

CONGRATULATIONS TO AWARD WINNERS

Nebraska had a fairly decent contingent of coaches who attended the 2007 National High School Athletic Coaches Association National Awards Banquet in Milwaukee, Wisconsin the last week of June. Nebraska nominates a full slate of coaches for National Coach of the Year honors. Congratulations to the regional finalists, and to the two National Coaches of the Year. Sharon Zavala, long time head volleyball coach at Grand Island Central Catholic was named National Volleyball Coach of the Year and Del Schoenfish, who has led the boy’s golf teams and boy’s basketball teams at Cambridge, was named National Golf Coach of the Year. Congratulations to these outstanding coaches.



Sharon Zavala, Grand Island CC HS and Del Schoenfish, Cambridge HS



(L to R) Randy Kliment, Creighton, Wrestling Coach of the Year finalist, Jim Barker, Scottsbluff, Cross Country Coach of the Year finalist, Sharon Zavala, Grand Island CC, Volleyball Coach of the Year, Mike Brown, Mullen, Football Coach of the Year finalist, and Del Schoenfish, Golf Coach of the Year.

STATE COLLEGES RECOGNIZE NCA/NSIAAA MEMBERSHIP CARDS FOR ADMISSION

You are reminded that the following schools will recognize the membership cards of the Nebraska Coaches Association and the Nebraska State Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association for admission to college-sponsored sporting events. This program was originally proposed in the fall of '92, and ALL college Athletic Directors responded quickly and to the affirmative. Our proposal gave them a number of options, to include a passgate, an advance call-in, etc., but each institution was slightly different in their acceptance. Below is a list of how each school would like to handle the program.

Bellevue University

any gate
membership card required
admit member + one
good for all sports

**Central Community College-
Columbus Campus**

any gate
membership card required
admit member + one
good for all sports

Chadron State College

any gate
admit member + one
good for all sports
membership card required

College of St. Mary

advance call-in (402) 399-2358
admit member + 1
good for all sports
tickets are free

Concordia University

use any gate
membership card required
admit member + 1
good for all sports
tickets are free

Creighton University

advance call-in
(402) 280-5716
call TJ Isaacs at least 2 days prior to
game
membership card and picture ID admit
member + 1
good for all sports
tickets are free – Men's BB tickets
subject to availability

Dana College

any gate
membership card and picture ID
admit member
good for all sports
tickets are free

Doane College

passgate
membership card
admit member + 1
good for all sports, tickets are free
advanced call-in is appreciated
402- 826-8684

Hamilton College

any gate
member + 1 guest

Hastings College

membership card and picture ID
good for all sports
admit member

Midland Lutheran College

membership card and picture ID
good for all sports
admit member +1
any gate

Nebraska Wesleyan University

any gate
membership card and picture ID
admit member + 1
good for all sports, tickets are free

Northeast Community College

main gate
membership card required
admit member +1
good for all sports
tickets are free

North Platte Community College

Advance call-in
800-658-4308.3701
Ask for Kelli Martin
Use main door
Membership card required
Admit member +1
Good for all sports

Peru State College

passgate - main gate
advance call-in is appreciated
(402) 872-2350
call athletic office 2 days prior to
game
membership card + picture ID
admit member + 1
good for all sports
tickets are free

University of Nebraska-Kearney

card honored at gates
membership card and picture ID
will admit member only
good for all sports-reg. season
ticket is free

Southeast Community College-Beatrice

main gate-
advance call-in appreciated
1-800- 233-5027 ext 1232
good for all sports
admit member + 1
tickets are free
membership card required

University of Nebraska-Omaha

passgate
membership card and picture ID
will admit member + 1
tickets are free
Excludes Hockey

Wayne State College

advance call-in (402) 375-7520
call Deb Harm two day advance
prior to game
membership card and picture ID
will admit member only
good for all sports (some games
policy is not in effect)
ticket is free

Western Nebraska Community College

Indicated they would participate
They would require advance call in
308-635-6151

York College

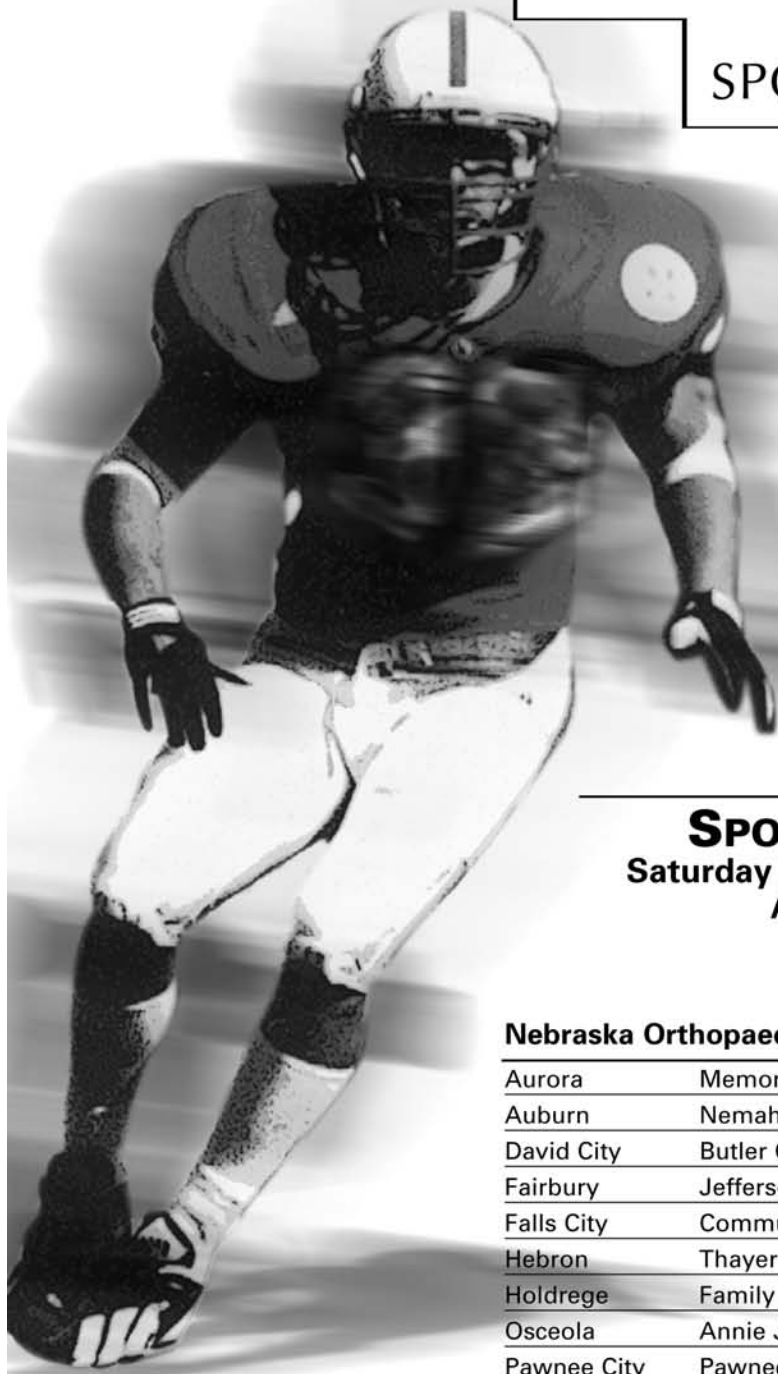
passgate - front door
membership card and picture ID
admit member + 1
good for all sports
ticket is free



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August 18th - October 20th
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No Appointment Necessary

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Auburn	Nemah County Hospital	402-274-4366
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Hebron	Thayer County Memorial Hospital	402-768-6041
Holdrege	Family Medical Specialties	308-995-4431
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Pawnee City	Pawnee City Memorial Hospital	402-245-2428
Syracuse	Community Memorial Hospital	402-269-2011

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