Remembering a Legend
Warren Mitchell
1936-2014

“Without Warren there would be no Colorado High School Coaches Association. There would be no CHSCA Hall of Fame, All-State Games, million dollar insurance coverage, Colorado Coach magazine, or Multi-Sport clinic.” -John Burke

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Executive Director’s Message-
Projecting Professionalism

by John Burke

The backbone of our government allows a great deal of freedoms and it often appears that many of us forget that along with freedom comes responsibility. Like it or not, high school coaches are still looked up to as role models and in many times, mentors and parental figures.

It is with that responsibility in mind that we as coaches must continue to remind ourselves to project professionalism in our actions, words, deeds and dress. That’s correct, our manner of dress and the image we project in all settings will have an impact on how we are viewed by our students, players, parents, and community members. It is disturbing to see how a number of coaches refuse to accept the obligations that come with being called ‘Coach.’

While establishing relationships with our athletes is a considerable factor on the path to success, it is important to remember we are not our students. However the coach’s age, he or she is not one of the athletes or students and therefore, should not attempt to act or in most cases, dress like them. So many times adults crack down and/or complain about students wearing inappropriate dress like sagging trousers, wallet chains, untucked shirts, t-shirts that advertise alcohol, drugs or tobacco, exposed underwear or prohibited tank tops yet a number of our coaches will not only appear in public with inappropriate clothing but will even represent their school and team and of course themselves at school competitions and state playoffs dressed in a completely unacceptable manner.

Please consider the impact on others and your school each time you as a coach take the field, court, diamond, matt or pool and make a special effort to dress in a manner that will reflect positively and successfully on those affiliated with your place of employment. When called to interview for a position we all dressed our best and projected a very professional image in an attempt to make a great first impression yet over the course of time we perhaps get lazy and begin to slack off a bit in our image. As a coach every time you leave the house you should think about whom you might see and what type of impression you will make on others. Like it or not, this responsibility comes along with the job.

Generally speaking we can take our lead from the coaches who are in the public view the most. How often do we see Nick Saban, Geno Auriemma, Pat Summit (retired), or C. Vivian Stringer looking like they just got out of bed or had recently returned from the barnyard? It is inconceivable that high school coaches, who are more influential than any coach at any level, will wear beat up blue jeans, baseball caps turned backwards and barnyard boots when coaching in a state playoff game. The top collegiate men’s coach, Mike Krzyzewski of Duke University, never fails to look professional and project an image of such.

Coaches, please take special notice of your manner of dress and the image you are portraying when you represent yourself and your team.
Passing of a Legend

By John Burke--On the 14th of November we in the coaching profession lost one of our greatest ambassadors when Warren Mitchell passed into the afterlife. There will be many accolades and dedications from the multitudes of those who held ‘Mitch’ in high esteem and looked to him as a father, husband, mentor, coach and athlete, all well deserved. For those of us in the coaching profession he was so much more than any coach most of us have ever known or known of. Without Warren there would be no Colorado High School Coaches Association. There would be no CHSCA Hall of Fame, All-State Games, million dollar insurance coverage, Colorado Coach magazine, or Multi-Sport clinic.

Warren Mitchell was the penultimate professional. Always properly dressed, able to speak in a manner that oozed confidence and projecting an image of one who always seems to be on third base heading for home, Warren and some of his colleagues saved the Colorado High School Coaches Association when it was on shaky ground. For this all coaches in our state should be forever grateful.

Thanks, Warren for the life you led and the leadership you provided.

Congratulations to Lewis Palmer High School Volleyball, and member Coach Sue Odenbaugh, for being the FIRST Colorado team in any sport to be named NATIONAL CHAMPIONS by MaxPreps. The team finished off a perfect season by winning a second straight state championship in November.

Help us by nominating deserving coaches and individuals for our many awards. Please see the last page of this COLORADO COACH for more information. Visit our website for all forms: www.colohsca.org
A GREAT READ
By Joe Brown-

As a coach I am always trying to find new ways to better prepare my teams and to better coach my teams. As a result I find myself using twitter and various websites to find articles and information on coaching and basketball in general. However, in our modern technologically advanced world we sometimes forget about the amazing resource of books. Recently I finished reading a great new book by our own basketball coaching legend Coach Dick Katte. I bought this book not only for myself, but also for my entire coaching staff. This book is full of great basketball and coaching resources and all from a Colorado coach. I found myself barely able to put the book down as I read about not only his teams at Denver Christian, but also about the history of basketball in our state. This book is a quick and easy read, and I highly recommend it to any coach that is interested in becoming a better coach and a better person. As demonstrated throughout the book, Coach Katte’s program was tremendously successful, and this success was achieved the right way, by winning on and off the court. If you are interested in purchasing a copy of Coach Katte’s new book, go to www.dickkatte.com. The book is a great investment and well worth the time.

PRESIDENTS’ MESSAGE
Eric McRae

The fall sports season is now over. Congratulations to all of the coaches and athletes who worked so hard to make it a positive experience for everyone. As we enter the winter season it is exciting to look forward to future great championship contests.

The CHSCA is working hard to provide more hospitality activities at state events. Tom Southall has been doing a great job with this at the state track meet. As an association, we hope to be present at as many events as possible, with state wrestling and state basketball championships our immediate goal. Some facilities are more convenient than others to hold these activities. Hopefully, we will have some of these at the 2015 Championship events. To make these possible we will definitely need volunteers to help staff the booths. Please contact me if you would like to help with one of these hospitality events (jemcrae@yahoo.com). If you can’t volunteer, please stop by. We will need your input on improvements in the future.

Good luck to everyone this winter season. We hope to see you at the many exciting events.
The Colorado High School Coaches Association is proud to announce its Hall of Fame class for the year 2015. This is the 52nd class to be inducted. A brief look at our inductees follows.

The Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held on Saturday, March 28th at the Radisson Hotel Denver Southeast 3155 S. Vaughn Way, Aurora, CO 80014. A reception will be held at 5:30 p.m. with the dinner and induction starting at 6:30 p.m. Ticket prices for the event are $42 per person and the reservation form is opposite this page.

**Judy Beardsley – Volleyball – Merino High School**
Judy Beardsley coached volleyball at Merino High School for 20 years and led the Rams to a remarkable ten State Championships. The first was recorded in 1985 and the most recent in 2001. During her tenure at Merino, the teams made the trip to the state tournament every year except one and secured three runners-up trophies in addition to the championships. From 2003-2010 she served as an assistant coach at Sterling High School, and helped the Tigers secure the State Championship in 2005. Beardsley served as the Volleyball President for the CHSCA from 2000-2004. She is a 24-year member of the Colorado High School Coaches Association. She married Wally Beardsley in 1981, and they have five children: Casey Randa, Bo, Haley, and Alex.

**Patty Childress – Volleyball – Grandview High School**
A 1980 graduate of Limon High School, Patty Childress has coached volleyball at Otis, Palisade, Ferndale, Colorado Mesa University, and Grandview. She has been the Head Volleyball Coach at Grandview since 1998. Her teams have been to the state tournament every year since 2000, and won the Class 5A Colorado High School State Championship five times. The Wolves claimed back-to-back titles in 2013 and 2014. She entered the 2014 season with an overall coaching record of 453-154.

Childress served as president of the CHSCA in 2003, and has coached in their All-State Games four times. She was the Dave Sander’s award recipient in 2013. Patty is married to Gary Childress, the long-time boys’ basketball coach at Grandview, and they have two sons, Spencer and Christian. Both are graduates and former athletes of Grandview High School.

**Ken Shaw – Basketball – Regis Jesuit High School**
A record setting basketball player for the Merino Rams, Shaw turned to coaching after graduation from New Mexico State University in 1974. His overall career record is 669-223 in 39 seasons. Shaw’s teams have won state titles at Yuma (1), Sterling (1), and Regis Jesuit (3). The teams he coached at Rocky Mountain and Smoky Hill were regular entrants into the Colorado State Tournament and each set marks for the best season records in the history of the school. Ken has been a member of the CHSCA for 41 years and currently serves as an at-large member on the Board of Directors. Shaw is a regular speaker and clinician at coaching clinics in Colorado and nationally. Susan broke into Shaw’s world of basketball 27 years ago when the two were married, and they have a son, Kelly, 24, and a daughter, Setera, 20. Shaw has the third most wins in the history of coaching boy’s basketball in the state of Colorado. Even with this remarkable winning record, he may be best known for his sporting behavior and gentlemanly sideline mannerisms.

**Dennis Tjaden – Volleyball – Boys Basketball – Julesburg High School**
A graduate of Wheatland High School in Madison, Nebraska and Kearney State College, Dennis Tjaden spent most of his 28-year coaching career at Julesburg/Sedgwick County High School. His head coaching assignments included 23-years in boy’s basketball and 13-years in girls’ volleyball. That work produced three state basketball championships and two state volleyball titles. Dennis was a business teacher at Julesburg since joining the staff in 1984 and also took on Athletic Director duties in 1994. He coached in the CHSCA All-State basketball and volleyball games multiple times and spoke at several CHSCA Coaching Clinics. He served on the Colorado Athletic Directors Board of Directors from 2000-2007 and on several CHSAA committees including a term on the executive committee. Dennis and his wife Carla have been married for 30 years and have a daughter, Jessica, 26, and son, Justin, 24.

**Jim Trahern – Basketball - Football - Kit Carson High School**
A 1997 graduate of Flagler High School, Coach Jim Trahern, started his career in Walsenburg. After two years he landed in Kit Carson where he has coached for 29 years. At the helm of the Kit Carson boy’s basketball program, Jim has amassed a 441-225 record with two state championship and two second-place finishes. His overall record in 26 seasons directing the football program is 161-73, which includes two state runner-up finishes, ten semi-final appearances and 21 trips to the quarterfinals. He also has been the head track coach for 11 years. CHSCA has presented Jim with the Don DesCombes Outstanding Service Award 2001, Tom Sutak Basketball Award 2006, and Boy’s Basketball Coach of the Year Award in 2005 and 2008. He and his wife Susan, also a teacher and coach at Kit Carson, have been married 32 years. Their two sons Jake and Ty were star athletes for the Kit Carson Wildcats, and had stellar careers in basketball at CSU-Pueblo. Both are teacher-coaches at Burlington High School. Jake is the Head Boy’s Basketball Coach and Ty the Head Girl’s Basketball Coach.
Saturday, March 28, 2015

- Radisson Hotel, 3200 South Parker Road, Aurora, Colorado (720-857-9000)
- Reception to meet inductees at 5:30 PM, Awards Dinner at 6:30 PM
- Also awarding Achievement Rings and Special Awards

Choose from three delicious entrees available with complimentary salad, bread, coffee, tea and dessert.
CHSCA members $32  All others $42

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DINNER RESERVATION FORM
(Due March 18, 2015. Late charge is $50 per meal)

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THANK YOU to all of the coaches who participated in the nomination and selection process for both volleyball and football. As we have moved to having our nominations completely submitted online, our participation in the process has grown tremendously with more coaches having access to the process (over 100 coaches were involved in selections for volleyball - thank you coaches!) Online submission has also allowed for better communication and access to information. We look forward to continuing to improve the nomination and selection processes in the future but appreciate your willingness to work with us and be involved to make the CHSCA All State Games a success!

Congratulations to each of the athletes and coaches in volleyball, football and cross country who have been selected to participate in the CHSCA All State Games! All selected should have received their letters outlining the registration process.

To secure their spot, a submission has also allowed for better communication and access to information. We look forward to continuing to improve the nomination and selection processes in the future but appreciate your willingness to work with us and be involved to make the CHSCA All State Games a success!

To ensure their spot, an athlete must be complete the entire registration by the initial deadlines which are:

**Volleyball - January 16**

**Cross Country - January 23**

**Football - February 6**

Please encourage your athletes to complete the registration today and mark your calendar for Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at Adams State University. All selected should have received their letters outlining the registration process.

All athletes will be introduced with their high school coach prior to the championship and 3 athletes should be planned:

**All State Volleyball Roster 2015**

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FOOTBALL ROSTERS CHSCA ALL STATE GAME 2015

ALL STATE FOOTBALL NORTH

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Kyle Loeffler | Arickaree/Woodlin | David Saffer
Cooper Gardner | Broomfield | Gary Davies
Kyle Rosenbrock | Brush | Randy Dreitz
Jose Rodriguez | Brush | Randy Dreitz
Martin Torres | Burlington | Glynn Higgs
Austin Yahni | Caliche | Zink
Matt Gaiter | Chatfield | Brett McGatlin
Austin Norton | Columbine | Andy Lowry
Trevonte Tasco | Denver South | Tony Lindsay
Darien Mion | Denver South | Tony Lindsay
Coby Cline | Elizabeth | Chris Cline
Marcus Cassin | Evergreen | Rob Molholm
Greysen Lincoln | Evergreen | Rob Molholm
Tim Ryan | Fairview | Tom McCartney
Johnny Feauto | Fairview | Tom McCartney
Kyler Sigsbee | Fort Collins | Eric Rice
Alex Delacroix | Greeley West | Jason Renouf
Talon Schaller | Green Mountain | Jared Wallen
Willy Clements | Holy Family | Mike Gabriel
Jaden Franklin | Kent Denver | Scott Yates
Ryan Weiss | Kent Denver | Scott Yates
Tre Blake | Littleton | Kurt Krantz
Sean Glenn | Longmont | Doug Johnson
Josh Clausen | Lutheran | Blair Hubbard
Andrew Miranda | Lutheran | Blair Hubbard
Jake Phelan | Meeker | Shane Phelan
Brenden Fulton | North Ridge | Jeff Fulton
Jay Frye | North Ridge | Jeff Fulton
Joel Simianer | Paonia | Brent McRae
Daniel Frantz | Platte Valley | Troy Hoffman
James Maxie | Ponderosa | Jaron Cohen
RJ Ramirez | Prairie View | Todd Riccio
Ben Burnett | Prairie View | Todd Riccio
Scott Leach |Ralston Valley | Matt Loyd
Kyle Emery |Ralston Valley | Matt Loyd
Austin Walton | Res. Christian | Mark Roggy
Alex Kinney | Rocky Mt. | Mark Brook
Max McDonald | Rocky Mt. | Mark Brok
Salofi Gaoa | Rocky Mt. | Mark Brook
Nate Puttalaz | Roosevelt | Nolan Easton
Austin Hartman | Silver Creek | Mike Apodaca
Jacob Smith | Strasburg | Jeff Giger
Brian Nichols | Strasburg | Jeff Giger
David Eusea | Thompson Valley | Matt Smith
Noah Butler | Vista Peak | Pat Rock
Sebastian Garcia | Westminster | Kerry Dennison
Brandon Saunders | Wheat Ridge | Dan Reardon

Coaches:
Brent McRae | Paonia | Head Coach
Mark Brook | Rocky Mt. | Asst. Coach
Rich Martinez | Kennedy | Asst. Coach
Paul Kratz | Roosevelt Asst. | Asst Coach

ALL STATE FOOTBALL SOUTH

Name | HS | COACH
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Tyler Rouse | Eads | Dustin Uhland
Wyatt Aaberg | Falcon | Brian Green
David Baliczek | Gunnison | Bob Howard
Eddie Bratton | Falcon | Brian Green
Adam Brown | Air Academy | Mike Roof
Brandon Clark | Rifle | Damon Wells
Marque Comb | Palisade | Joe Ramunno
Dylan Draper | Discovery Canyon | Shawn Mitchell
Jacob Edison | Legend | Rob Doyle
Nate Finnell | Rocky Ford | Bart Rusler
Marcus Garcia, Sr. | Delta | Ben Johnson
Kellen Gatzke | Dolores | Chris Trusler
Randy Haley | Cortez | Casey Coulter
Matt Hamilton | Moffat County | Keith Gille
John Heaphy | Aspen | Ryan Triece
Kyle Hicks | Lamar | Jason Tice
Arealous Hughes | Rangeview | Dave Gonzalez
Brendan Ike | Mountain Vista | Ric Cash
Quincy Kindred | Pueblo Centennial | Mike Palumbo
Chase Konkel | Regis | Mark Nolan
Jake Levy | Basalt | Carl Frerichs
Austin Lionette | Regis | Mark Nolan
Justice Littrell | Doherty | Jeff Kruimlauf
Sam Long | Pine Creek | Todd Miller
Austin Lopez | Palmer | Jeff Priestley
Matt Maestas | Montrose | Todd Casebier
Bryce McCraken | Crowley Cty. | Brandon Roe
Mitch Mulso | Florence | Jeremy Nix
Alonzo Neal | Rangeview | Dave Gonzalez
Cody Norris | Simla | Shane Zimmerman
Chukwuma Obinnah | Grandview | John Schultz
Josh Odom | Pine Creek | Todd Miller
Koy Palmer | Granada | Manuel Gonzales
Kevin Park | Cherry Creek | Dave Logan
Brendan Reeves | Pueblo Central | Jeremy Mercer
Kevin Riberic | Pueblo East | David Ramirez
Mike Rocha | Montrose | Todd Casebier
Jordan Smith | Fountain-Ft. Carson | Mitch Johnson
Morgan Smith | Grandview | John Schultz
Bryson Smith | Pueblo South | Ryan Goddard
Nathan Spinuzzi | Pueblo South | Ryan Goddard
Patrick Staufer | Discovery Canyon | Shawn Mitchell
JaVonte Stewart | Ellicott | Donte Stewart
Darian Stickney | Doherty | Jeff Kruimlauf
Preston Troxel | Mountain Vista | Ric Cash
Frank Umu | Heritage | Tyler Knoblock
Mitchel Wilson | Centauri | Kyle Forster

Coaches:
Nic Olney | St. Mary's | Head Coach
Ric Cash | Mountain Vista | Asst. Coach
David Ramirez | Pueblo East | Asst. Coach
George Gardner | Mountain Vista Asst. | Asst. Coach
CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR CHSCA MEMBER FALL STATE CHAMPIONS!

Jonathan Dalby
Mountain Vista HS
5A Boys XC

Kevin Clark
Mountain View HS
4A Girls XC

Kelly Christensen
Palmer Ridge HS
4A Boys XC

Mark Roberts
Lyon HS
2A Boys & Girls XC

Dave Logan
Cherry Creek HS
5A Football

Todd Miller
Pine Creek HS
4A Football

Dave Ramirez
Pueblo East HS
3A Football

Randy Dreitz
Brush HS
2A Football

Brent McRae
Paonia HS
1A Football

Paul Zink
Caliche HS
8 Man Football

Dave Saffer
Arickaree/Woodlin HS
6 Man Football

Marty Cornell
Coronado HS
5A Boys Golf

Kent Chrisman
Sterling HS
3A Boys Golf

Espen Hosoi
Air Academy HS
4A Boys Soccer

Arty Smith
Kent Denver HS
3A Boys Soccer

Dave Thies
Grandview HS
5A Softball

Justin Weber
La Junta HS
3A Softball

Patty Childress
Grandview HS
5A Volleyball

Susan Odenbaugh
Lewis Palmer HS
4A Volleyball

Caleb Howard
Resurrection Christian HS
2A Volleyball

Derek Herbert
Fleming HS
1A Volleyball
Listed below are the State Champions and the State Runner-ups for the 2014 State Spirit Competition held on Friday, December 5, and Saturday, December 6.

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**CHSCA Spirit All-Elite Team**

2A Pom
Alexandria McCallum
Madison Milner, Hotchkiss
Maggie Linnebur, Limon
Kaylee Sutherland, Sanford
Larkin Smith, Vail Christian

2A Cheer
Arianna Larachente, Bishop Machebeuf
Demi Pastin, Pagosa Springs
Makayla DeBonis, South Park
Layne Ash, Valley

3A Pom/3A Cheer
Taylor Smith, Vail Christian Cheer
Korrie Hurt, Grand Valley, Pom
Vanessa Robles, Sheridan Pom
Emily Hemann, St. Mary’s Cheer
Susie Robins, Manitou Springs, Cheer

4A Pom/4A Cheer
Julie Howald, Erie Cheer
Abby O’Neill, Evergreen Pom
Natasha Jordan, Glenwood Springs Cheer
Chloe Piasance, Ponderosa Pom
Taylor Greenstein, Thompson Valley Cheer
Cori Stingley, Valor Christian Cheer

5A Pom/5A Cheer
Sheridan Godrey, Arapahoe Cheer
Savannah Marshall, Cherokee Trail Cheer
Alli Lesony, Douglas County Cheer
Abby Kern, Eaglecrest Cheer
Maddie Johnson, Grandview Pom
Courtney Flescher, Legacy Pom
Faith Vines, Pine Creek Cheer

4A/5A Coed/Jazz/Hip Hop
Bradlee Simnioniw, Broomfield Co-Ed
Olivia Pittmann, CastleView Co-Ed
Dalton Rauer, Centaurus, Co-Ed
Rayuon Timothy, Falcon Co-Ed
Gracie Haasbeck, Mountain Vista Hip Hop
Lucy Rickart, Overland Hip Hop
Riley Levitt, Rangeview Co-Ed
Leah Treffiesen, Rock Canyon Jazz
Logan Ross, ThunderRidge Co-Ed

Congratulations to all of our MEMBER COACHES of all of these STATE TEAMS! Remember to help your athletes to turn in all of their information if they will be participating in ALL STATE 2015.
From the CHSAA Staff, please accept a short note of congratulations to all the fall state championship coaches. It was a great season for our students and the role you play is so very important. Again, a job well done.

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Sporting behavior remains an educational concern for the Association and the CHSAA staff would like to remind all the coaches that no person has a greater influence over how student participants behave than the coach. Take a minute and talk with your players about your sportsmanship expectations for them. It is always a good idea to discuss your sportsmanship expectations with your players’ parents, as well.

If you have an opportunity to address your student body before your winter season starts, tell the students your expectations for positive sporting behavior. Coaches have more impact on how crowds, players and student bodies than any other person. That is a big expectation, but it is so true.

Please use your in positive influence on your students and fans to help the problems of other states and other levels of play to remain at bay.

Participation in high school athletics give students some inherent educational values and you have the ability to ensure that these positive values are derived from your programs.

Finally, remember that what you condone, you approve.

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In this era where everyone seems to be demanding more accountability for our coaches, the CHSAA Board of Directors has developed a by-law to help coaches meet those expectations. Each coach will be required to attend a mandatory coaching clinic, sponsored by the CHSAA and the coaches association in their sport once every two years.

CHSAA and the coaches associations will work in concert to develop the necessary pieces at these clinics each year. The once every two year requirement is similar to the requirement placed on sports officials who wish to participate in the post-season. If this by-law is passed at the January 2015 Legislative Council, additional information will be forwarded to the schools to ensure that you are informed of the implementation requirements. All coaches will be required to have attended the clinic by 2016.

1650. All varsity head coaches shall attend annually a CHSAA approved rules clinic hosted by the CHSAA and the coaches association in their sport once every two years prior to the start of the first interscholastic contest.

Penalty: Coach placed on probation for first offense; restriction for subsequent any offenses.

The Colorado High School Activities Association Hall of Fame has announced its 26th Hall of Fame class, featuring a four-time state wrestling champion, a star-studded boys’ basketball team, a girls’ athletics pioneer coach, a long-time officials’ assignor, a veteran media broadcaster and a medical professional who has assisted high school athletes for nearly 50 years.

The CHSAA Hall of Fame’s Class of 2014 includes four-time champion Jonathan Archuleta (Alamosa) and the legendary undefeated Manual High School Boys’ Team from 1966, along with Bernie Goss, a wrestling official and all-sports officials assignor from Grand Junction. Joining those three entries into the hall are girls’ athletics pioneer and Colorado Coaches of Girls Sports founder Helen McCall, former media maven Marcia Neville and Dr. Darwin Strickland, who for 50 years has been the physician for high school athletes in Adams County District 12.

"The latest class of the CHSAA Hall of Fame is one that reaches all aspects of high school sports, from the
medical side to the media side to a founding figure in girls’ athletics, to the officials who maintain fair and equitable competition. Rounding out this class are some special athletes, the reasons the CHSAA was founded. Winning four state wrestling championships is special and speaks for itself, but so does a team going through an entire season undefeated. Like the 25 previous classes, this class is special to who and what Colorado prep activities are,” CHSAA Commissioner Paul Angelico said in making the announcement.

“As we look to our second quarter century of honoring those people who have make up high school athletics and activities, it is important to note the impact that each of these inductees, like those that came before them, had had in their respective areas of the state. The 26th class reflects the efforts, passion and love Colorado has for high school activities,” CHSAA Hall of Fame administrator Bert Borgmann said.

The Class of 2014 will be inducted during a ceremony on Wednesday, January 28, 2014, at the Red Lion Hotel Denver Southeast (I-225 and Parker). Individual tickets may be purchased for $50 each by contacting the CHSAA. The festivities get underway at 6:30 p.m. Seating is limited.

The selection of the one student participant to the CHSAA Hall of Fame puts the total number of participants in the hall at 57. There are now 60 coaches, 27 administrators, 16 officials and eight significant service contributors enshrined in the CHSAA Hall of Fame that began in 1989. There are also four teams in the hall. The Hall of Fame now features 172 inductees.

Biographies of the newest additions to the hall include:

JON ARCHULETA (Alamosa High School) – Colorado’s seventh four-time state wrestling champion, Archuleta graduated in 1995. He posted a record 125-4 during his high school career and was ranked number one in the nation at his weight during his senior year. He was a four-time district and regional champion for the mean moose. He was named Colorado’s 4A Outstanding Wrestler as a senior and Male Prep Athlete of the Year in 1995. He was a four-time national qualifier while at Cal State-Bakersfield and advanced to the NCAA’s round of 12 as a junior. A former high school coach, Archuleta now owns a plumbing business in Bakersfield.

BERNIE GOSS (Western Slope) – For the last 50 years, Bernie Goss has been involved with the State Wrestling Championships as either an official, rule interpreter or officials’ liaison. His list of accomplishments as a wrestling official is lengthy and includes the NFHS Distinguished Wrestling Officials Award, induction in the National Wrestling Hall of Fame, plus many more. That only tells part of the story, as Goss has been instrumental in official assigning across the Western Slope for nearly 20 years. In 1994, Goss was selected as High School Counselor of the Year by the Council on College/High School Relations. He was inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2005, was given the 2008 Lloyd Gaskill Award by the Colorado High School Coaches Association and the 2013 Colorado Athletics Directors Association Community Service Award.

MANUAL THUNDERBOLTS (1966) BOYS’ BASKETBALL – Since the State Basketball Championships began in 1922, there have been few undefeated teams, but the 1966 Manual Thunderbirds are one of those teams. In fact, they became the first “big” school undefeated champions when they capped a 20-0 season in 1966.Three players were named to the All-Tournament Team – Carl Ashley, Don Edwards and Horace Kearney. One DPL historian considers this team to be the “best ever” from Denver. They were coached by one of DPS’ legendary coaches, Al Oviatt. The players on the team included Ashley, Lewis Brown, Edwards, Kearney, Isaac Lee, Charles Maloy, Harold Minter, John Osborne, Orzo Riley and Tim Wedgeworth.

HELEN MCCALL (Westminster) – One of the most effective pioneers in girls’ sports, the late Helen McCall was instrumental in the formation of the Colorado Coaches’ of Girls Sports. She developed the concept for CCGS while on sabbatical from Westminster and attending the University of Denver. She held many positions in CCGS over the years and served on numerous CHSAA committees in the 1970s. As a coach, her teams enjoyed success on the floor, finishing second in the state basketball tournament in 1976 and third in 1978. McCall was awarded the coveted Dorothy Mauck Award by the Sportswomen of Colorado and was instrumental in creating the Rocky Mountain League for Women’s Athletics when she moved on to coach and teach at the University of Denver.

MARCIA NEVILLE (Denver) – For 26 years, Marcia Neville was the face of high school sports in Colorado. There wasn’t an athlete, coach or school that didn’t know who Neville was and embraced her passion and
enthusiasm for prep sports. She put coverage of high school sports on the same level as the colleges and professional sports teams. A friend to CHSAA, she was the host of many of the Association’s events, including serving as MC for nearly half of the CHSAA Hall of Fame induction banquets. Her list of Emmys is lengthy and she has been honored by the Association with its Distinguished Service Award. Since leaving the career she called the "best job in the state" in 2009, she has worked in production television with High Noon Entertainment and in non-profit with Women’s Bean Project. Currently, she’s in her third year with the University of Colorado at Denver’s Anschutz Medical Campus, working as a media relations and community engagement specialist in the university’s Office of Communications.

DR. DARWIN STRICKLAND (Northglenn) – Dr. Darwin Strickland’s impact on the students in Adams School District 12 is immense. For the past 48-plus years, Strickland has provided free sports physicals for district students, averaging nearly 500 each year. He consults individually with each student and his/her parents. He has been on the sidelines of as many games as he can during that time. He continues to serve the students of the Five Star District and can be found attending to student athletes at any playoff game a district school is involved with. His list of honors is lengthy and all are related to his work with students. He remains active in his solo private practice, often ending his days seeing patients well after 10:00 p.m.

In addition to the induction of the Hall of Fame class, the Association will honor Dick Nelson (Denver Public Schools) and Ron Johns (Chatfield Swimming) with its Distinguished Service Award and Les Schwab Tires with its Colorado Tradition Award. The Colorado Tradition Award is special recognition that goes to an organization that has distinguished itself through its support and loyalty to CHSAA, its mission and students. The CHSAA Distinguished Service Award is presented to persons whose efforts are in support of, rather than the focus of, an activity.

Members of the CHSAA Hall of Fame Selection Committee include: Dick Katte (chair, Denver Christian); John Andrew (DPS); Ed Hartnett (Adams 12 SD); Dina Fuqua (Vanguard); Bob Marken (CHSCA), Mary Kay Mauro (NFHS Network/CET Productions), Leslie Moore (CHSAA HoF); Dale Oliver (Hi-Plains), Jodi Reinhard (Standley Lake); Denny Squibb (Fruita Monument); CHSAA staff liaison is Assistant Commissioner Bert Borgmann.

A great source of sports specific information is the CHSAA website, which is loaded with all the administrative information you need for the season. Go www.CHSAANow.com to gain access to the CHSAA’s administrative site CHSAA.org. On this site, you will find bulletins, CHSAA Constitution and By-laws, playoff information and much more.

Coaches often ask how they can affect the CHSAA committee process related to their sport. The key to being involved is to be aware of:

1. Know when your sport’s advisory committee meets;
2. Make contact with your sport’s CHSAA staff liaison and discuss your concerns or suggestions with that person;
3. Know the Board of Control dates where your sport’s committee report will be reviewed and voted on; and,
4. Talk with your sport’s classification committee member prior to the committee meeting if you have some issues that need to be addressed.

You are always welcome to attend your sports committee meeting. Please contact the committee chair or CHSAA staff liaison to let them know that you will be in attendance.

Although committee report can be amended at the Board of Control, the most effective manner in which to make your concerns known is to communicate those ideas prior to the committee developing its final report.

Have a great season and please contact us if we can be of any assistance.
2015 GLAZIER FOOTBALL CLINIC
February 20 - 22
Westin Westminster Hotel

2015 TRACK & FIELD & CROSS COUNTRY
January 31 - February 1
Red Lion Hotel
I-225 & Parker Road

2015 ATHLETIC DIRECTORS CONFERENCE
April 26 - 28
Omni Hotel & Resort
Broomfield, CO

2015 COLORADO SPIRIT COACHES CONFERENCE
July 24 & 25
Red Lion Hotel
I-225 & Parker
Aurora, CO

2015 CHSAA ALL SCHOOLS SUMMIT
August 3 & 4
Marriott Denver South at Park Meadows

2015 COLORADO ALLSTATE GAMES
June 9 - 13
Adams State University

2015 ICE HOCKEY COACHES CLINIC
Date: TBA
Location: TBA

2015 COLORADO WRESTLING COACHES CLINIC
Date: TBA
Location: TBA

2016 BASEBALL COACHES CLINIC
January 14 - 16
DTC Marriott

1-3 CREDIT HOURS AVAILABLE
INSTRUCTOR: DR. RICK D. BETTGER
LOCATION: CHSAA or TBA
PHONE: 970.879.1592
E-MAIL: pine903@aol.com

REGISTER ON SITE AT CLINICS FOR COLLEGE CREDIT
BOYS’ BASKETBALL
President Joe Brown

Coaches, I hope your season is off to a great start and your teams are continuing to improve both on and off of the court. The start of the season seemed to come up quicker than usual this year, and before we all know it we will be reflecting back on the 2014-2015 season and gearing up for the next one. Always remember to enjoy the process of coaching during the season’s many ups and downs. Too often we lose track of the good moments of a season and focus on the ones we wish would just get over, so I urge you to enjoy the journey through the season.

We are making some changes to the All-State nomination and selection process this year, and all voting will take place online. This is in an effort to help boost participation in the process and make the process a little simpler. Each league will have a league representative that will collect and submit the league nominations, and then those nominees will be uploaded and ready to be voted on. If you are interested in becoming a league representative or would like to know who your league representative is, please don’t hesitate to contact me at joebrown@weldre5j.k12.co.us. This includes anything that you would like me to bring to Mr. Bert Borgmann at CHSAA, who is always working to improve basketball in our state.

I wish you the best of luck in the rest of your season!

WRESTLING
President Bill Barron

We have much to celebrate as the interest and level of competition in Colorado continues to grow throughout the calendar year. Colorado high schools are further challenging themselves by inviting more out-of-state teams to compete in the tournaments we host. Six Colorado high schools are among the 96 teams who competed in the 2014 pre-Christmas Reno Tournament of Champions: Broomfield, Chaparral, Grandview, Pomona, Ponderosa, and Pueblo West.

In 2014 post-season folkstyle wrestling, Colorado had 24 entrants in the National High School Coaches Association Championships in Virginia Beach, highlighted by four place-winners: Dolores Huerta’s Jared Mestas (6th, Sr. 132 – 3A State Champ); Holy Family’s Joseph Prieto (2nd, Jr. 138 – 3A State Champ); Fruita’s Jacob Seeley (4th, Jr. 182 – 5A 3rd, 195); Gateway’s Deyanu Trueblood (2nd, So. 152 – 5A State Champ). The Denver area Mile High club’s Colorado all-star team won NHSCA’s national middle school dual championships in May. In April, the Colorado Scholastic Team – comprised of the top freshmen, sophomores, and juniors – placed 4th in the National Scholastic Duals, jointly sponsored by the National Wrestling Coaches Association and USA Wrestling. However, Colorado did not have representatives in the NHSCA middle school individual championships, nor the high school national duals; we need to improve our participation in both.

Each summer the level of participation and quality rise in the seniors who wrestle in the June All-State Games. Colorado wrestlers are also excelling in the international style: the Schoolboy National Team (ages 13-14) traveled to Indianapolis in June and won the national dual title in Greco-Roman. At July’s national championships in Fargo, Colorado had four finalists and three individual champions: Denver East’s Maya Nelson (1st Jr. Freestyle 125 lb.) repeated as champion, following a junior season in which she became the first female 5A state qualifier as well as the first female to win a match at State. Ashlynn Ortega, a freshman for 4A Pueblo West this season, won the Cadet Freestyle championship at 132 pounds. A 2014-15 freshman 106 lb. starter for 5A Castle View, Malik Heinselman won the Cadet Freestyle 88 lb. title. Nick Tarpley, a Durango 4A state qualifier in 2013, spent his senior year training at the Olympic Training Center, then earned 2nd place in Greco-Roman at Junior 152 pounds.

Over the course of two days, almost 60 coaches attended the annual October wrestling clinic held at the Olympic Training Center. Many thanks go out to Rick Bettger; in his quiet way, Rick makes sure everything is well-organized and he also makes college credit available to attendees. Outgoing President Keith Wollert put together an
excellent line-up, which was comprised of several members of USA Wrestling’s national staff, including Brandon Slay, Freestyle Development Coach, who addressed the art and philosophy of coaching; Mike Clayton, Manager of Coaches Education, who gave a presentation on nutrition and weight management; Brandon Siakel, Strength Training Director, who instructed us in the science of biomechanics; and Rusty Davidson, an international official as well as high school coach, who spoke of the many advantages which come through USA Wrestling coach and youth membership and participation.

CHSAA is considering making attendance at the annual coaches meeting mandatory at least once every two years. The majority of those in attendance this year elected to return to the OTC in 2015, although the clinic’s highest attendance was in 2012 at the Black Hawk venue. If you have an opinion in this regard, please let us know as we are in the process of securing next year’s venue.

At the Annual Meeting, Keith Wollert received an honorary plaque commemorating his service to Colorado wrestling, including 8 years as CWC vice-president and president, as well as his coaching contributions over 35 years at Lamar, Holly, Eads, Wiley, Las Animas, and CSU-Pueblo. The plaque dedication read: “For the lives you have touched and changed forever: thank you for your ceaseless dedication, for your warm enthusiasm, and for sharing your unbinding love of wrestling.” We also presented plaques to the Coaches of the Year as voted on at the State Championships: 2A – Cody Haga, Ignacio; 3A – Mike Caciari, Valley; 4A – Dave Jurgensen – Thompson Valley; 5A – Ken Taylor, Rocky Mountain. Members in attendance voted unanimously to elect Bill Barron as the new president along with Platte Valley’s Matt Weber as Vice-President.

On the Saturday following the CHSAA State Championships (February 28, 2015), Colorado USA Wrestling sponsors the annual Freshman–Sophomore State Meet at Castle View High School. Registration will be online through Track Wrestling (www.cusaw.org). Contact Cam McElhany with any questions (cammcelhany@mac.com). Wrestlers and coaches must have current USA Wrestling participation cards.

CHSAA Message to Coaches – Harry Waterman, CHSAA Asst. Commissioner

1. Double check that your team/individuals do not exceed 28 points for the season. Both the wrestling bulletin and a link to the wrestling point system can be found on the website: (chsaanow.com>chsaa.org>sports and activities>wrestling).
2. Be sure to enter your weigh-in and match results following matches. Both items will be required for regional entries. Keep original copies of signed weigh-in sheets; regionals directors will ask for them.
3. The wrestling committee strongly recommends that all coaches keep professionalism at the forefront at all times. This is not limited to but includes coaching attire. It is recommended that coaches refrain from wearing shorts, hats, flip flops or other casual street attire while coaching on the mat throughout the season, and especially throughout the State Championships.
5. State Championships will take place at the Pepsi Center on February 19-21, 2015. Tickets may be purchased by calling the CHSAA ticket office at 303-344-5050.

The agenda for the wrestling meeting can be found online under “WRESTLING” at colohsca.org.

CROSS COUNTRY
President Ron Shepherd

The 2014 Cross Country season is history now, and an excellent season it was. There was great weather all season long. I don’t think that a meet was cancelled due to weather.

A special thanks goes out to many including all the runners who put in the many miles of running, coaches who put in countless hours of practice and preparation, meet directors and their helpers, and regional meet directors who oversaw all of the excellent cross country meets throughout the season. Also, thank you to parents, grandparents, relatives and cross country fans who provide the support and encouragement for all the runners. The Norris Penrose Event Center and Cheyenne Mountain High School did a tremendous job staging the state meet. Alan Versaw and his staff provided outstanding coverage of the 2014 season.

Congratulations have to go to all the runners and teams who qualified for the state meet. Many great performances
were posted in spite of the heat and the resurfaced trail. A special congratulation to the State Champion teams:

5A boys – Mountain Vista High School, Coach Jonathan Dalby
5A girls – Fort Collins High School, Coach Mike Callor
4A boys – Palmer Ridge HS, Coach Kelly Christensen
4A girls – Mountain View High School, Coach Kevin Clark
3A boys – Alamosa High School, Coach Larry Zaragoza
3A girls – Alamosa High School, Coach Larry Zaragoza
2A boys – Lyons High School, Coach Mark Roberts
2A girls – Lyons High School, Coach Mark Roberts

Congratulations to the individual state champions:

5A Boys – Marcelo Laguera, Pomona HS
5A Girls – Lauren Gregory, Fort Collins HS
4A Boys – Eric Hammer, Palmer Ridge HS
4A Boys – Katie Rainsberger, Air Academy HS*
3A Boys – Ben Butler, Skyview HS
3A Girls – Lily Tomasula-Martin, Estes Park
2A Boys – Paul Roberts, Lyons High School*
2A Girls – Tabor Scholl, West Grand HS
*Fastest times of the day, all classifications.

Many coaches would like to see a rotation in the schedule of races since the same schedule has been used for the past three years. Additionally, many coaches would like to see a change in location for the state meet since the Norris Penrose event center has been used for the past three years. I believe it is the understanding that the rotation of the location for the state meet is to be every 2 years.

The All-State Cross Country Games will be held Wednesday, June 10th at Adams State University. An informational letter was put in the state meet packet for the senior runners who qualified for the state meet. The letter provides information for those runners on how to apply for the all-state games. Coaches, it would be helpful if you can follow up and make sure that those seniors get a copy of the letter.

The Track and Field / Cross Country Clinic will be held January 30-31 at the Red Lion Inn in Denver. I hope all the coaches will be able to attend. The regional representative meeting will be held Friday evening. This meeting is open to all coaches who have concerns, ideas or any thoughts about how to improve the sports of track and field and cross country. This is the time for coaches to speak up. The information that is brought up at the meeting is shared with CHSAA. It is also time to have a large school coach step up and take over the duties of the president.

Again, congratulations to all the coaches, runners and everyone who helped to make the 2014 cross country season a very exciting and successful year.

**FOOTBALL**

**President Thad Lear**

As we wrap up the 2014 football season I want to first congratulate all of our 2014 football players and coaches on another great season. A special congratulations to the coaches and players of all the 2014 State Champion football teams:

6Man – Arickaree/Woodlin - David Saffer
8Man – Caliche - Paul Zinker
1A – Paonia - Brent McRea
2A – Brush - Randy Dreitz
3A – Pueblo East - David Ramirez
4A – Pine Creek - Todd Miller
5A – Cherry Creek - Dave Logan

Excited to say that all of the 2014 State Champion Head coaches are current members of CHSCA. Great Job Coaches!

I would also like to thank Amy Estes and Becky Mudd for their work on the All-State Selection process. Your online nomination process made our meeting on December 14th go much smoother and quicker. I would also like to thank the 34 coaches who took part in this year’s All State Selection meeting; great turn out and I think you did a great job in the selection of the 2015 CHSCA All State Football team.

Keep your eyes out for changes coming from CHSAA for the 2015 Season. The Football committee has recommended a change in the number of quarters for players and will be looking at other player safety issues on future meetings. They will also be discussing changes to the classifications breakdown so pay close attention to items on CHSAA web site and keep in touch with your AD’s so they can best represent your feelings to the Football and CLOC committees. Again thanks for a great season and look for us at the 2015 Glazier Clinic in Denver.
The new season is off and running and hopefully all of your teams are improving. Ron Rossi, our 2014 CHSCA coach of the year, and Holy Family appear to be handling the move up to 4A just fine. It is amazing how teams that have good coaches are always competitive, isn’t it? Sherryl Klosterman, our 2014 Ceal Barry award winner, is settling in nicely coaching at Metro State after her run to the final 4 with Valor Christian last season.

I have a question for you all. Where are the feelings of entitlement coming from in today’s athletes? I do not remember any athletes when I played in high school having the perception that their coach owed them anything. Everything was EARNED. Is it coming from parents spending tons of money on club sports? Is it coming from kids watching pro athletes celebrating every single play they make as though they should be recognized for just doing their job? Is it that kids have been told that their parents, and everybody else they know, know how to coach better than their actual coach—and s/he needs to be told so? I have my own kids in high school currently and have made sure that they have had to earn all of their time playing for me to such an extent that my wife has been upset about how hard I am on them. So, I have not seen this behavior out of my own or out of most other high school coaches’ own kids. However, if a kids’ mom/dad coached their club team one summer it does differ. Wherever the source, I sure would like to see it come to an end. There are a plethora of very talented coaches stepping down due to this and the nonsense that parents are putting coaches through today. What do you think? And what can we do?

Another high school season has come and gone. It has been a very exciting season. Congratulations to all the State Championship coaches, Patty Childress, Susan Odenbaugh, Gwen Forster, Caleb Howard and Derek Herbert. I’m not sure it has happened before but returning champions winning again in all 5 classifications is very impressive. To do it once is an incredible ride but to do it two years in a row is a testament to these coaches and all their hard work.

A special kudos goes to Stephanie Schick and the Chatfield team. The Saturday morning and afternoon that those kids put together was something special. It was a pleasure to watch them play.

Let me say it is a true pleasure to take over as President of Volleyball for CHSCA. Russ Haman is a great mentor and has done some great things in his short time in the office. I hope to just maintain Russ’s hard work. I have been coaching for 18 years. Most of it up the in the Greeley area but now I have returned to my hometown to be the Athletic Director and Volleyball coach at Custer County High School. I have coached great players and have had the chance to work some very special coaches.

With the end of the season comes the time that as a coach I loved but was very stressful, All-Conference and All-State selections. It means a few top players in the State get recognized for their hard work and dedication to our programs. The one question that comes up in every All-State meeting, “Is this an All-State team or team filled with the top players from the top teams?” This question equals the same importance as “Nature or Nurture.”
Jim Tucker~

Jim grew up in Pueblo, Colorado and attended Pueblo East High School. During Jim's sophomore year, he brought home a waiver for his father to sign, allowing him to play football. His father wouldn't sign it, saying football was too dangerous. Upset, Jim flipped on the TV and began watching the Art Linkletter Show, where Pancho Gonzales was demonstrating how much fun tennis was. Jim decided to give tennis a try, but his father would not buy him a tennis racquet, so he borrowed one from a friend. He and his friend played every chance they got and Jim made the team at one singles the following year. Jim won the Regional Championship of the South Central League his junior year. In 1962, Jim again won the Regional Championship of the South Central League and went on to state. This was held in Boulder, but he lost in the semi-finals to a good lefty-named Barry Rapp, from South High School. From 1963-1966, Jim played for Southern Colorado State College, again at one singles. Also on his college team was Ron Salazar, (former head high school coach for Smoky Hill and Gateway, and currently, USTA Official). Jim joined the US Army in 1967 where he continued to play tennis in Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, until 1969. One highlight Jim recalls was playing Arthur Ashe from West Point in an exhibition match in 1968. When Jim finished his enlistment with the Army, he ran into his college friend Ron Salazar, who invited him to come to Denver to try out for teaching positions. Jim landed a job in Englewood, where he would remain teaching and coaching for the next 33 years. Jim taught science, math, reading and coached football, basketball, track and tennis. In Jim's early years of teaching, he was not yet married and had money to travel during the summer! 1985 found Jim in San Diego at the US Tennis Academy teaching for Vic Braden. A few summers later, Jim travelled to Hilton Head, SC, where he graduated a certified USPTR and USPTA Professional. In 1986, Jim was in Tampa, Florida, where he met Nick Bollettieri at the Saddlebrook Tennis Resort. He became friends with Nick and was asked if he would like to work at the Nick Bollettieri Tennis Academy in Boulder, Colorado. Jim agreed and would fly back to Bradenton, Florida, once a month to continue learning how to teach the Nick Bollettieri Method of Tennis. Jim continued with his teaching, coaching, instructing and found himself working at The Pinery Country Club, Denver City Parks and Rec and the Evergreen Athletic Club. Once, while coaching his high school team, a parent who was a pilot for Continental Airlines gave Jim an airline ticket to fly to the US Open in New York City. There, he ran into Nick Bollettieri and a 16 year old girl Nick was coaching, named Monica Seles.

Five years ago, in 2010, Jim was driving to Game Set Match in Highlands Ranch to pick up his high school girl's tennis team uniforms, when he suffered a stroke. He woke up in Swedish hospital, and the news he was given was grim, at best. Not only was his chance of recovery slim, he was not told if he would be able to walk again. Through much physical therapy, the love of friends, family and students, Jim began his journey back to mobility. In November, Jim was honored at the Cherry Creek High School Tennis Banquet as the 26th recipient of the Youth Tennis Award. This award honors those in the Colorado tennis community who have had a significant impact on Youth tennis in their lifetime. Reading Jim's life history of tennis at this banquet was long time friend, Ron Salazar.

Today Jim resides at The Argyle~4115 West 38th Avenue, Denver, CO 80212. Residents there refer to him as either, “Coach,” or “The Mayor,” due to the amount of time he spends walking around speaking with and listening to the resident’s stories, giving them a firm handshake and thanking them for their service in the military. Please feel free to drop him a card or stop by for a visit. Congratulations, Jim, on such a well deserved award.

Kirk Price~

Kirk Price attended high school at Denver's George Washington and received his Bachelor's Degree from The University of Connecticut in science and mathematics, with an Education Certificate. Kirk taught in East Hartford, Connecticut, as a student teacher and then proceeded to earn his Master's Degree in Math Curriculum at the University of Colorado.

In 1968, at age 22, Kirk was hired at Cherry Creek High School and remained there for the following 45 years.

In the early 1970’s, all of the swimming clubs began to build tennis courts, and as manager of the Columbine Hills Swim and Racquet Club, Kirk had to hire tennis pros to run the tennis programs. He required them to give him one lesson per week upon hiring them, and thus, he learned the sport of tennis! Meanwhile, during the 1976/1977 school years, Kirk coached swimming for Cherry Creek, and attended every school board meeting, petitioning them to build a pool for the 500-600 students who attended Cherry Creek High

Tennis Special by Diane Wolverton
During these early years, the ladder was written out by hand each night and posted on the wall at Cherry Creek High School on round tags posted on finishing nails. These posts would blow away randomly and would need to be recreated on a daily basis. After a while, the booster club built the, Kirk Price Tennis Center, where matches are now posted inside glass cases.

Kirk reminisces that the biggest team he coached was 217 athletes in the early 90’s, just before they began charging $100 for their athletic fee.

Kirk’s tennis coaching run produced 39 years as the Boy’s Tennis Coach, 25 of which were Head Coach, (1976-2014). He proudly earned 36 State Championship Teams, two runner-ups and one-third place team. Also, 22 State Championship teams, 38 League Championship teams, eight Regional Championship teams and a duel match record of 416-3. Four of these years, the teams didn’t lose an individual match up to and including the State Championships. All of this was earned running a no cut program, which was maintained throughout his tenure. The average number of boys on his team remained over 160 for all 39 years. A majority of the player development was accomplished within his team with ladder play and team tournaments. This year his top two teams had a team GPA of 4.0. He’s had hundreds of NCAA Tennis players with two NCAA Division One Singles Champions.

Kirk’s service boasts being a founder of the Colorado Tennis Coaches Association, of which he was president for four years. For eight years he was the National Tennis Chair for NHSACA, Tournament Director for Regional Tournaments (29 years), Seeding Committee for the State Tournament (six years), originator and Tournament Director for The Jon Cox Memorial Tournament (25 years). His summers designated the USTA Youth Tournament and fund raiser for Youth Tennis in Colorado.

Kirk’s awards range from being a 14 time Denver Post/Rocky Mountain News Coach of the Year, a four time Colorado Coaches Association Coach of the Year, and Step-4–Colorado Coaching Achievement Award (2009). He was awarded the Colorado Coaches Hall of Fame (2004), NHSACA National Coach of The Year (2005), and National Federation of High Schools National Coach of The Year (2008). Kirk was inducted into the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame, in 2011.

When I asked Kirk to think back to the beginning of his coaching, and what it was like then, he recalled that the Volunteer Fire Department brought teams out to practice hose control by cleaning the tennis courts. Because they no longer offer this, it is now up to God and has been for the last 38 years.

Some of his fondest memories were when he travelled to China, Wimbledon, Sweden and Denmark with his tennis teams.

In retirement, Kirk plans to officiate swimming and will volunteer as an assistant tennis coach. When I asked what he would miss the most, he plans not to have this happen, by continuing with these activities in a volunteer position. It will be hard being a volunteer if the decisions the new coach makes aren’t for the masses of athletes. He recalls that his decisions as a head coach were always for every athlete, not just for the top 11, and that wasn’t always the most popular. People eventually/always appreciated it as it benefited more kids. Thank you Coach Price, for your dedication, determination and your desire to make this sport better for athletes, parents and coaches, alike. We appreciate you and all that you have done to elevate tennis to the level it is today~
CHSCA AWARDS—go online for information and applications

**CHSCA HALL OF FAME**—For over 50 years, CHSCA has recognized its most outstanding coaches from across the state in the HALL OF FAME. Coaches must be members of CHSCA and have shown excellence in coaching in Colorado. Coaches are nominated and then fill out applications for the selection committee. Nominations and applications are accepted year round, then applicants stay in the selection pool for 5 years before needing to be re-nominated.

**AWARDS for ALL Member Coaches**

(COACHES SHOULD FILL OUT THE FORMS ON THE WEBSITE FOR THESE AWARDS)

**Achievement Awards**
- Awards based on wins. There is a chart found on our website which shows the “levels” of achievement in each individual sport. Applications accepted year round.

**Longevity Awards**
- A longevity award is given after 10 years coaching ANY high school sport(s) while being a member of the Colorado High School Coaches Association. An additional award is given for each additional 5 years spent coaching ANY high school sport(s) while a member of the Association. (NOTE: Each YEAR of service counts, at ANY level, no matter WHICH sport coached or if multiple sports coached). Applications accepted year round.

**AWARDS for ATHLETES of Member Coaches**

**SCHOLARSHIPS**
- The Association awards $1000 CHSCA SCHOLARSHIPS. Athletes qualify if a) you will be a graduating senior this school year, b) you have lettered in at least one sport and c) you have been nominated by a member-coach of the Colorado High School Coaches Association. Each member-coach may nominate only one athlete. The number of nominees from each school will be reduced to one applicant before final selection. January Deadline. (see application online)

**STEINMARK AWARD**
- One of Colorado’s most prestigious awards, the Steinmark Award is given every June to a top student-athlete. The nomination and selection process is in depth and should be completed by a strict deadline. Nominations are due by the end of the spring season and Application Forms can be found online.

**AWARDS for COACHES by SPORT GROUP**

Each sport group will name a COACH OF THE YEAR as well as OTHER SPECIAL AWARDS by SPORT GROUP—these include:

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AWARDS for COACHES BY SPECIAL APPLICATION (find forms ONLINE)

**Dale Yost Teacher Coach Award**—Named after Dr. Dale Yost, a long-time teacher and coach in Colorado, this award honors a coach who also has contributed greatly to the teaching profession, and who has excelled at both. The award is decided on the following criteria: experience as a teacher and as a coach, holding the position of Department Chair, honors received in both teaching and coaching, and membership in the Colorado High School Coaches Association.

**Dick Katte Sportsmanship Award**—Sportsmanship is how you play the game—conduct that leaves a much longer-lasting impression than who won the game. It has been one of the criteria by which teams, players and fans have been judged for many years. The coach is influential in sportsmanship by his or her actions and demeanor. Like Coach Dick Katte in his own coaching career, CHSCA wants to recognize coaches who promote good sportsmanship and, by their actions, are positive role models. Nominated coaches must display an impression of dignity in all circumstances, and their teams and participants must be characterized by fair play, teamwork and courtesy. In addition the coach must be willing to censure those players and assistants who violate this conduct.

**Tom Southall Award**—This award is named after Tom Southall, a longtime advocate for paralympic and special olympic activities. It is given to an individual or group for their involvement in or support of paralympic and/or special olympic activities, or assisting individuals with special needs with involvement in athletics. If given to an individual, that individual must be a member of the CHSCA.
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