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TENNESSEE SECONDARY SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
HERMITAGE, TENNESSEE

TSSAA CALENDAR 2005-2006

FOOTBALL • GOLF • GIRLS VOLLEYBALL • CROSS COUNTRY
- **GIRLS SOCCER** (FIRST PRACTICE DATE) ..... August 1

GOLF (DATE OF FIRST CONTEST) ..... August 15
GIRLS SOCCER (DATE OF FIRST CONTEST) ..... August 15
CROSS COUNTRY • GIRLS VOLLEYBALL (DATE OF FIRST CONTEST) ..... August 22
Board of Control Meeting (HERMITAGE) ..... August 22
FOOTBALL (DATE OF FIRST CONTEST) ..... August 26
GOLF - DIVISION I
- **District** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... **A-AA** - Sept. 21 **/ AAA** - Sept. 28
- **Region** ..... **A-AA** - Sept. 26 / **AAA** - Oct. 3
- **State** ..... **A-AA** - October 4-5 / **AAA** - Oct. 11-12

BOWLING (DATE OF FIRST CONTEST) ..... Oct. 3
GOLF - DIVISION II
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... Oct. 10 • **State** ..... Oct. 17-18

VOLLEYBALL - DIVISION I
- **District** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) A-AA and AAA ..... October 14
- **Region** A-AA and AAA ..... October 18
- **Sectional** A-AA and AAA ..... October 20
- **State** A-AA and AAA ..... October 26-28

VOLLEYBALL - DIVISION II
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... Oct. 20 • **State** ... Oct. 26-28

CROSS COUNTRY MEET
- **Region** A-AA • DIV. II • AAA (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... October 29
- **State** ..... November 5

GIRLS SOCCER - DIVISION I
- **District** A-AA and AAA (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... October 14
- **Region Semifinals** A-AA and AAA ..... October 18
- **Region Finals** A-AA and AAA ..... October 20
- **Sectional** ..... October 22
- **State Quarterfinals** ..... **A-AA** & **AAA** - October 26
- **State Semifinals** ..... **A-AA** & **AAA** - October 27
- **State Finals** ..... **A-AA** & **AAA** - October 29

GIRLS SOCCER - DIVISION II
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... October 21
- **State Quarterfinals** ..... October 26
- **State Semifinals** ..... October 27
- **State Finals** ..... October 29

BASKETBALL • WRESTLING (FIRST PRACTICE DATE) ..... October 31
FOOTBALL PLAY-OFFS - DIVISION I (1A–2A-3A-4A-5A)
- **First Round** ..... November 4
- **Second Round** ..... November 11
- **Quarter-Finals** ..... November 18
- **Semi-Finals** ..... November 25
- **Finals** ..... December 2-3

FOOTBALL PLAY-OFFS - DIVISION II
- **Quarter-Finals** ..... November 4
- **Semi-Finals** ..... November 11
- **Finals** ..... November 19

CHEERLEADING - STATE CHAMPIONSHIP ..... TBA
Regional Meetings
- WEST TENNESSEE (JACKSON) 1:00 P.M. ..... November 7
- EAST TENNESSEE (KNOXVILLE) 1:00 P.M. ..... November 9
- MIDDLE TENNESSEE (NASHVILLE) 10:00 A.M. ..... November 10

Board of Control Meeting (HERMITAGE) ..... November 17
BASKETBALL • WRESTLING (DATE OF FIRST CONTEST) ..... November 21
Legislative Council Meeting (HERMITAGE) ..... December 1
Board of Control Meeting (HERMITAGE) ..... January 12
BOWLING
- **District** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... January 13
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... January 20
- **State** ..... January 27-28

WRESTLING TOURNAMENTS - DIVISION I
- **Dual Meet State** ..... February 3-4
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... February 11
- **State** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... February 16-18

WRESTLING TOURNAMENTS - DIVISION II
- **Dual Meet State** ..... February 3-4
- **State** ..... February 17-18

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS
JUNIOR HIGH DISTRICTS ..... TBA
DIVISION I (A, AA and AAA)
- **Districts** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... Feb. 25
- **Regions** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... March 2
- **Girls Sectionals** ..... March 4
- **Boys Sectionals** ..... March 6
- **Girls State** ..... March 8-11
- **Boys State** ..... March 15-18

DIVISION II
- **Regions** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... Feb. 25
- **Girls State** ..... March 1-4
- **Boys State** ..... March 1-4

Board of Control Meeting (MURFREESBORO) ..... March 16
Legislative Council Meeting (MURFREESBORO) ..... March 17
GIRLS SOFTBALL • BASEBALL • SOCCER
- **TRACK • TENNIS** (FIRST PRACTICE DATE) ..... February 13

GIRLS SOFTBALL • BASEBALL • SOCCER
- **TRACK • TENNIS** (DATE OF FIRST CONTEST) ..... March 13

Athletic Directors Conference / Cheer Coaches Conference ..... TBA
TRACK
- **Sectional** (A-AA and AAA) (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 19
- **Regions** (DIVISION II) (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 19
- **State** ..... May 25-26

BASEBALL- DIVISION I (A, AA, AAA)
- **Districts** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 12
- **Regional Semi-Finals** ..... May 15
- **Regional Finals** ..... May 17
- **Sectional** ..... May 19
- **State Tournament** ..... May 23-27

BASEBALL - DIVISION II
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 19
- **State Tournament** ..... May 23-27

SOFTBALL - DIVISION I (A, AA, AAA)
- **Districts** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 12
- **Regional Semi-Finals** ..... May 15
- **Regional Finals** ..... May 17
- **Sectional** ..... May 19
- **State Tournament** ..... May 23-27

SOFTBALL - DIVISION II
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 19
- **State** ..... May 23-27

BOYS SOCCER - DIVISION I (A-AA, AAA)
- **Districts** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 12
- **Region Semifinals** ..... May 16
- **Region Finals** ..... May 18
- **Sectional** ..... May 20
- **State Tournament Quarterfinals** **A-AA**, **AAA** ..... May 24
- **State Tournament Semifinals** **A-AA**, **AAA** ..... May 25
- **State Tournament Finals** **A-AA**, **AAA** ..... May 27

BOYS SOCCER - DIVISION II
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 19
- **State Tournament Quarterfinals** ..... May 24
- **State Tournament Semifinals** ..... May 25
- **State Tournament Finals** ..... May 27

TENNIS - DIVISION I (A, AA, AAA)
- **Districts** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 10
- **Regional Team Finals - GIRLS** ..... May 11
- **Regional Team Finals - BOYS** ..... May 12
- **Sectional Team - GIRLS** ..... May 18
- **Sectional Team - BOYS** ..... May 19
- **Regional Singles and Doubles** ..... May 15-16
- **State Tournament** (TEAMS - SINGLES - DOUBLES) ..... May 23-25

TENNIS - DIVISION II
- **Region** (MUST BE COMPLETED BY) ..... May 13
- **Sectional Team - GIRLS** ..... May 16
- **Sectional Team - BOYS** ..... May 19
- **State Tournament** (TEAM - SINGLES - DOUBLES) ..... May 24-25

Board of Control Meeting (PARIS LANDING) ..... June 7-9

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

NFHS Coaches Association Award Program

TSSAA is proud to announce that two coaches from Tennessee were selected Section 3 Coach of the Year in their perspective sports by the National Federation of High School Coaches Association for the 2003-04 school year. Section 3 includes eight Southeastern states (Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Louisiana, and Tennessee) and finalists were submitted to the NFHS for consideration as National Coach of the Year. Those coaches selected as Section 3 recipients from Tennessee are the following:

Soccer – Russ Plummer, Hendersonville High School
Wrestling – James Morgan, Baylor School

Congratulations to all of our state and sectional honorees. This is a tremendous accomplishment and each recipient is very deserving of these accolades.

TSSAA Hall of Champions Games

We would like to thank all of the schools that participated in the 2004 TSSAA Hall of Champions basketball games. We have on record that 142 schools hosted games, with 186 games played. The total amount raised during these benefit games was $95,289.99. These funds will help us to continue our journey as we capture the history of the TSSAA and high school sports in Tennessee.

We have just recently published a new book to help accomplish this goal titled "Field of Dreamers—Celebrating Tennessee High School Sports." It was written by Gene Pearce, and he did an excellent job collecting the stories and vintage photographs to go along with them. This book is available for purchase by calling the TSSAA office. We encourage every school to have a copy of this book.

Another phase that we are working towards is a display for the Hall of Champions. One possibility that we will be looking into is a portable display that can be taken to all of our state championship events. Our eventual goal is to have a building where we can hold memorabilia collected that will tell the history of high school athletics in our state.

We hope that you will choose to participate again this year, and we encourage those of you who did not participate to please do so. It is a great opportunity to play extra games while helping to contribute to the Hall of Champions fund.

Hall of Champions games may be played from Tuesday, November 15 through Saturday, November 19, 2005. You may choose any two DATES during that week, with no limit to the number of actual games. If you would like to host a Hall of Champions game, please send in your request on school letterhead stating the date(s) and all schools participating. You may send by fax (615-889-0544) or mail (P. O. Box 319, Hermitage, TN, 37076).

Please note the following change:

After you host your game(s), you will need to fill out a financial report stating your revenue and expenses. All proceeds (gate receipts) minus expenses (paying of officials, etc.) will come to the TSSAA Hall of Champions fund. You will be able to find this report on our web site (www.tssaa.org) under "Forms".

If you have any questions please contact Heather Carter at TSSAA (615-889-6740), or (hcarter@tssaa.org).

BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee

Over the course of five days in May, more than 4,200 high school athletes will sprint, swing and score their way to championship titles in the BlueCross Spring Fling.

BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee is the title sponsor for the championship games slated for May 24-28 at various locations throughout Memphis. Thirty-five champions will be crowned in five different sports, including TSSAA Division I and II baseball and softball, and boys' and girls' track, tennis and soccer.

In addition to encouraging physical fitness and team work, the event gives BlueCross an opportunity to educate young athletes, their families, coaches and trainers about performance-enhancing drugs (PEDs). While the spotlight has recently been aimed at steroids in professional sports, BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee has been consistently dedicated to informing young athletes about the dangers of PEDs through its Healthy Competition campaign."With all of the attention that PEDs have received from the media and legislators recently, it is important that teenagers realize public figures are not the only ones who can be affected by these substances," said Scott Wilson, communications project manager for BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee. "PEDs come with a long list of side effects including seizures, depression, mood swings, heart attacks and even death, and Tennessee's youth needs to be aware of these dangers."

About 1.1 million young people between ages 12 to 17 have taken potentially dangerous PEDs, yet 76 percent of youth surveyed could not identify any negative side effects that might result from using steroids, ephedra and other association survey. Some PEDs can be bought over the counter or on the Internet and are especially dangerous because they are not regulated by the FDA. Research shows that PEDs can pose life-threatening health consequences, including high blood pressure, strokes, blood clots, and heart, liver and kidney disease.

Recognizing that the use of performance-enhancing drugs is a growing public health problem, the BlueCross BlueShield Association formed the Healthy Competition Foundation in 1999. The program seeks to educate athletes, their peers and family members about the dangers of PEDs and sports supplements. Components of the program include the Healthy Competition pledge card, an informative Web site and other educational materials. To receive a copy of the drug-free pledge card from BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, send a written request to:

BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, Attn: Scott Wilson, 801 Pine St. 8P, Chattanooga, TN 37402.

More information is also available online at www.healthycompetition.org.

For information about the BlueCross Spring Fling presented by BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, visit the TSSAA Web site at www.tssaa.org.

The Right Team
TSSAA

2nd Annual Golf Tournaments

The TSSAA Right Team was established over 10 years ago to be a resource for schools in the following areas:

- **Student leadership development**
- **Alcohol, tobacco and drug prevention**
- **Conflict resolution/violence prevention**
- **Sportsmanship and citizenship education**

In the last five years, the Right Team has directly reached over 242,000 students across the state of Tennessee. Stephen Bargatze, the Director of the Right Team, uses his magical talent to entertain students in assemblies, clubs or classrooms. Stephen has performed magic for over 25 years and has won numerous awards in magic including: three time world of wizards champion, Southeastern Association Magician of the year, Midwest Association Magician of the year, and the International Brotherhood of Magicians Close-up Champion. Once he has earned the respect of the students through magic, Stephen has the opportunity to discuss the dangers of drugs, alcohol and tobacco, the importance of seat belts and the importance of following the rules of the road. Stephen emphasizes three points to the students which are to 1) respect their parents, 2) respect their teachers, and 3) respect themselves not to get involved with chemicals or activities that could harm them. In the second program, Stephen illustrates the importance of teamwork and citizenship. This program focuses on students as individuals and the dangers of violence and reckless behavior.

Due to statewide budget cuts, the TSSAA Right Team lost the major grants used to support the program. Therefore, in an effort to raise money for this crucial program, the TSSAA initiated the Right Team Golf Tournaments. The golf tournaments not only provide the opportunity for fellowship and fun amongst Tennessee schools, but the tournaments have the potential to generate revenue to sustain the Right Team throughout the year.

Tournament Format

Shotgun Scramble: All ties will be determined by the back nine score followed by last six and last three. If there is still a tie, the winner will be determined by the individual holes beginning with the 18th hole.

Teams: Team members can be anyone you want or wish to represent your school or business, male or female (Adults Please). Team members do not have to be employed by your organization. Teams can enter any tournament or multiple tournaments on the Right Team Golf Trail.

The entry fee for a team is $400. Payment and registration form due May 15, 2005.

Note: We would like to encourage all schools to find 1-2 hole sponsors for the event. If we receive enough hole sponsors we will provide a complimentary meal.

$400 Team Entry Fee Includes:

- Green and cart fees
- One mulligan for each golfer
- One red tee shot for each man
- One tee shot 30 yards beyond the red tee for the women

*Entry Fee Must Accompany Registration

Tournament Surprises

- The winning team receives one free "Las Vegas" Magic of Stephen Show for adults, a $2000 value
- All 2nd and 3rd place team players
- Longest drives and closest to the pins

All golfers will have the opportunity to play in any tournament or multiple tournaments on the Right Team Golf Trail. Please be sure to identify the tournament(s) you wish to play in on your registration sheet.

Middle Tennessee

June 7, 2005 – 10:00am
The Legacy, Springfield

East Tennessee

June 13, 2005 – 1:00pm
Crossville Bear Trace

June 14, 2005 – 8:00am
River Island Golf Course

West Tennessee

June 15, 2005 – 1:00pm
Chickasaw Bear Trace

For any additional information about any of the tournaments, please contact:

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2005 TSSAA Hall of Fame Inductees

ADMINISTRATORS

Roy Dukes--Lewisburg, TN

Roy Dukes was an outstanding athlete in both high school and college. He began his career coaching football and basketball on the junior high and high school levels. He quickly rose to his first administrative position as both Assistant Principal and Principal of Marshall County High School. He served in that capacity for eighteen years before becoming the Director of Accountability for the Marshall County School System. In 1999, he became the Assistant Director of Schools for Marshall County, and he remains in that position today. Mr. Dukes has also served the TSSAA as an official in football and basketball for seventeen years, and worked two TSSAA State Basketball tournaments. He has officiated both basketball and football on the college level as well. He has earned several honors, including the TSSAA Distinguished Service Award and the 2004 NAACP George Turner Award of Excellence. Mr. Dukes is married to the former Louise Gillard, and they have two children, Cedric and Landon. They also have two grandchildren, Preston and Charlene.

Hale Harris--Nashville, TN

Hale Harris was a three-sport star at Central High School, rating All-Nashville in football in 1946, and All-Nashville in baseball in 1947 before going to Middle Tennessee State University. He began as a teacher and coach in 1951 at Stokes Elementary School. He remained there for one year before going on to coach basketball, baseball, and football at Hillsboro High School, where he was twice named District Basketball Coach of the Year. Shortly thereafter, he took his first administrative position, becoming assistant principal and then principal at Hillsboro High School. He served in each of those positions for five years before accepting a job with the Metro Nashville Board of Education. He held several positions with the Board from 1968 - 1981. Mr. Harris was always heavily involved with athletics even in his role as an administrator. He has served as game director for the TSSAA All-Star Basketball game, TSSAA Regional Tournament Director, and TSSAA District Basketball Tournament Director. He finished his career at Franklin Road Academy, where he served as Head of Upper School for six years, and Headmaster for one year. He is also a member of the Region Six Athletic Assoc. Hall of Fame, the Amateur Baseball Hall of Fame, and the Metro Football Coaches Assoc. Hall of Fame. He and his wife, Mary, have a son, Steve, and two daughters, Connie and Terri. They also have six wonderful grandchildren.

W. A. "Buddy" Pate, Jr.--Murfreesboro, TN

Buddy Pate was an outstanding high school athlete at Eagleville High School. After graduating from Middle Tennessee State University, Pate returned to his alma mater to begin a successful twenty-eight year coaching career. He coached boys and girls basketball at Eagleville for nine years before going on to coach girls basketball at Riverdale High School in Murfreesboro. He coached his 1979 team to a TSSAA State Runner-Up finish. Pate then became principal of Eagleville High School in 1995, and in his position he started many new athletic programs and lobbied for several new athletic facilities, reflecting his strong athletic involvement in his nine-year tenure. During that time, his school received numerous awards including the 1998 - 1999 and 2002 - 2003 A. F. Bridges State Award of Excellence and the National Award of Excellence Certificate, which was presented to him by the TSSAA. In 2002, Mr. Pate received a TSSAA Distinguished Service Recognition, and in 2003 - 2004, he was awarded the A. F. Bridges Principal of the Year Award for Athletic District 4. He is married to Bernice and has a son, Drew, and one granddaughter.

COACHES

Bill Derrick--Nashville, TN

Bill Derrick was an outstanding athlete in both high school and college. He graduated from Father Ryan High School in 1948, and then returned there to begin his thirty-six year coaching career. While there, he served as the coach for basketball, baseball, and football. His basketball team was 1965 Region Champions, and they made a trip to the TSSAA State tournament. But more memorable than that to Coach Derrick was his 1963 squad, which was the first team in the Nashville Interscholastic League to become integrated. He was a very successful coach on the hardwood and the diamond, but he is perhaps best known for his success on the gridiron. Coach Derrick served as head football coach at Father Ryan, Lawrence County, and Hendersonville High Schools. His overall record of 127 -78 can be deceiving because it does not reflect the outstanding rebuilding efforts he successfully undertook. He was able to guide his team to the playoffs at all three schools in which he served. Coach Derrick and his wife, Connie, have eight children, thirty-nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Hester Gibbs--Lebanon, TN

Hester Gibbs was an outstanding football player at Ashland City High School under fellow TSSAA Hall of Fame member Ralph Spangler. He then went on to play football, track, and tennis at Middle Tennessee State University, and was named the MVP of the tennis team in 1959. After college, he went on to begin his thirty-one year coaching career at Lebanon High School. He coached football, baseball, basketball, and golf, with his longest stint being in basketball. He coached basketball for twenty-eight years, and had an overall record of 500 - 302. His teams won five District Championships, earned five TSSAA Sub-state berths, and made three TSSAA State Tournament appearances. He was selected as the *Tennessean* Mid-State Coach of the Year three times. Coach Gibbs also picked up District Championships in baseball, golf, and football, and served as the coach to fellow TSSAA Hall of Famer, Louis Thompson. He also served the TSSAA as an official in football, baseball, basketball, and softball for forty-four years. Coach Gibbs is married to Eleanor, and has two children, three stepchildren, eight grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

2005 TSSAA Hall of Fame Inductees

Andy Pugh--Halls, TN

Andy Pugh was an athlete at Halls High School. He graduated from Union University in 1970, and then headed back to his alma mater to begin his thirty-five year career as a teacher, coach, and administrator at Halls Junior High and Halls High School. He began teaching and coaching in 1970 as the Halls Junior High football coach and the Halls High School baseball coach. He then became the assistant football and basketball coach at Halls High in 1973 before taking the head football position in 1976. In his seventeen years as head coach he made nine state playoff appearances, and posted a 131 - 69 - 1 record. Coach Pugh also served as Athletic Director at Halls High School for fifteen years before taking over as Principal in 1995, a position he still holds today. He has earned numerous awards in his career, such as the Midwest Class A Football Conference Coach of the Year and the Northwest Officials Association Coach of the Year. Coach Pugh is married to Donna and they have two daughters, Amanda and Angela.

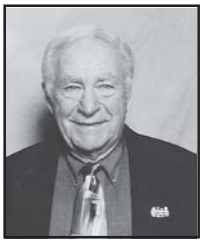
Louis Thompson--Fayetteville, TN

Louis Thompson was an outstanding high school athlete at Lebanon High School, where he played football for fellow TSSAA Hall of Fame member Hester Gibbs. He then went on to play football at the University of Alabama, where he was a member of two national championship teams under legendary coach Bear Bryant. He continued his career on the professional player, playing for the New York Giants. He began his thirty-five year coaching career at schools in Alabama before landing at Lebanon High School in 1978. He served as head football coach there for one year before moving to Unicoi County High School, where he coached for six years. In 1989 he went to Lincoln County High School, where he currently serves as head football coach, Athletic Director, and Assistant Principal. He has led his Lincoln County team to two TSSAA State Championships, and his current overall record is 214 - 121 - 1. He has coached sixteen teams to the playoffs, and six of his players have received the prestigious "Mr. Football' Award. Coach Thompson has been chosen Region Coach of the Year ten times, Tennessee State Coach of the Year twice, and the *Tennessean* Mid-State Coach of the Year once. He was also awarded the TSSAA A. F. Bridges Sportsmanship Award as Coach of the Year in 1998 - 1999. He served on the NFHS football rules committee, and served as President of the TN Athletic Coaches Association. He and his wife, Peggy, have three children, Angie, Taylor, and Jay, and four grandchildren.

Terry Tippett--Germantown, TN

Coach Tippett was a former outstanding athlete in Memphis, Tennessee at Colonial Junior High and Overton High School. He graduated from the University of Memphis before beginning his coaching career. He has coached football, baseball, and basketball, and is best known for his success on the hardwood. Coach Tippett began coaching at Collierville High School in 1968. After two years, he became the football line coach and basketball coach at Dyer County High School. His football team there was TSSAA Class A State Champions in 1972 - 1973, and his basketball team earned its first-ever sub-state berth. He then had a brief stint at Trezevant High School, where he won a State Championship in 1980. He finisehd his career at White Station High School, where he truly made his mark. His basketball teams at White Station won four TSSAA Class AAA State Championships, and finished twice as State Runners-Up. He posted an overall record there of 472 - 136. His success earned him six Coach of the Year honors, and two of his players were selected as the prestigious "Mr. Basketball". His teams were ranked in the *USA Today* Top Ten Poll his last four years. Coach Tippett served as a coach in the TACA All-Star game, and in the Jordan Capital Classic All-Star game. He is a member of TACA as well as the National Association of Basketball Coaches. He resides in Germantown, Tennessee with his wife, Nancy.

Vic Varallo--Hermitage, TN



Vic Varallo played basketball and football at Father Ryan High School, where he was named All-City, All-State, and All-Decade in football. He then went on to participate in college athletics. He began his career as a teacher and coach in 1951 at East High School in Nashville. While there, he served as head coach in football, basketball, track, and cross-country. His track teams won two TSSAA State Championships, eighteen District Championships, and twelve Regional Championships. His teams also won numerous large invitational track meets including the Banner, Optimist, Memphis, and Furman Relays. His cross-country team won numerous Regional and State championships as well. He then went on to coach at Pearl-Cohn, Hillsboro, DuPont, and Overton High Schools and remained in that capacity until 1989. While Coach Varallo is best known for his outstanding coaching career, he also served the TSSAA as a basketball and track official for twenty-five years. He worked fifteen District Tournaments and three TSSAA State Championships. He has also served in the administrative capacity as an Athletic Director and Director of Track Meets and State Decathlons.

SELECTION OF INDUCTEES

The Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association's Hall of Fame was established in 1981 to honor outstanding achievements by individuals to member schools and TSSAA. Every year a minimum of one coach, one administrator, and one official from each of two eras (1925 - 1975 and 1975 - present) are inducted into the TSSAA Hall of Fame. To be considered for this honor, a nominee must be at least 50 years of age or retired for at least three years in the category for which they are nominated. One person is selected outside these three areas in the category of contributor. The selection committee makes the final selections based on nominations from TSSAA school people and officials. This is the 23rd year that selections have been made.

2005 TSSAA Hall of Fame Inductees

OFFICIALS

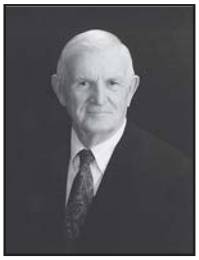
Harry Beamon--Nashville, TN

Harry Beamon began his outstanding officiating career as a member of the Black High School Officials Association, where he remained for seven years. He served as an official at that time for football and basketball. During three of those seven years, he was an affiliate member of the TSSAA, and then went on to become a TSSAA official in 1967. He officiated in the TSSAA Boys State Basketball Tournament in 1971, and worked the Girls State Basketball Tournament in 1983. He also worked numerous tournaments on the district, region, and sub-state levels. Harry Beamon was a leader in his field in that he was one of the first black officials in the TSSAA. He was also the first black official to work in the Southeastern Conference. From 1980 to 2001, Beamon served as Commissioner of the Middle Tennessee College Officials Association. Although he retired from active officiating in 1991, he continues to serve by working camps for the TSSAA, OVC, and others. Dr. Beamon is currently Professor of Human Performance and Sports Science at Tennessee State University. He and his wife, Sophia, have two children, Kevin and Karya, along with four grandchildren.

Santo Cicirello--Limestone, TN

Santo Cicirello was a high school basketball and baseball player before going on to letter in track at Tusculum College. He then began teaching and coaching in 1963, and remained in that capacity for thirty-eight years. After an eight-year stint at Washington College Academy, he spent the remainder of his coaching career at David Crockett High School. There he coached basketball, boys and girls track, and boys and girls cross-country. Cicirello is best known for his stellar career as a TSSAA official. He officiated football in the Region I Football Officials Association for forty years, where he worked numerous TSSAA playoff games, as well as the 1987 Class A State Championship. He also spent twenty-nine years officiating track, and twenty-five of those years he worked the TSSAA State Track Meet. He served twenty years as Field Judge Referee, and five years as Meet Referee. He also worked numerous conference, district, and regional meets, along with three TSSAA State Team Relays. He has earned a TSSAA Distinguished Service Recognition for an official, as well as the A. F. Bridges Award in Athletic District 1 as Official of the Year in football and track. He also received the Tennessee High School Athletic Administrators Association Distinguished Service Award, and was inducted into the Tusculum College Sports Hall of Fame. Mr. Cicirello and his wife, Brenda, have two sons, one daughter, and two grandsons.

Ray Moffett--Fayetteville, TN



Ray Moffett has dedicated forty-three yeas of his life to service with the TSSAA. He officiated basketball for thirty-one years, and baseball for ten. In basketball, he has worked on all levels including the district, region, and sub-state tournaments, and the 1980 TSSAA State Tournament. He has also served as a Supervisor and Assigning Officer for the South Central Basketball Officials Association, and makes in excess of 2800 official assignments a year. Mr. Moffett has also officiated on the college level for three years. He has done volunteer work with youth programs as a coach and umpire in Little League and Babe Ruth Baseball. Mr. Moffett is currently in his second term as a County Commissioner in Lincoln County, Tennessee, which he was elected to in 2003. Mr. Moffett and his wife, Carolyn, have two sons, Mickey Ray and Major G. Paul Moffett. They have six grandchildren ranging in age from four to seventeen.

Members of the TSSAA Hall of Fame (1982 - 2005)

ADMINISTRATORS

A. F. Bridges (1982)
William Osteen (1982)
Jimmy Edwards (1983)
Webb Porter (1983)
W. Hobart Millsaps (1984)
Creed McClure (1985)
Gill Gideon (1986)
A. B. Sisco (1986)
Paul Anderson (1987)
James "Doc" Simpson (1988)
Carl Matherly (1989)
Bill Todd (1989)
Milton Mayo (1990)
Thurman Reynolds (1990)
Milton Basden (1991)
Tom Fann (1991)
Charles William Driskill (1992)
James Williams (1992)
A. D. Hancock (1993)
D. M. Miller (1994)
Robert "Bob" Polston (1994)
Ernest Rasar (1994)
Fred Shelton (1995)
Paul Ward (1995)
O. Clinton "Clint" Abbott, Jr. (1996)
Emmitt H. Simon, Jr. (1996)
Jim Poteete (1997)
Hardy Loyd (1997)
William (Bill) Bailey (1998)
William (Bill) Stanfield (1998)
Adam DeBerry (1999)
Billy Joe Evans (1999)
Johnny Miller (1999)
Richard Graves (2000)
Don Souder (2000)
Bill McClain (2001)
John L. "Pete" Stafford (2001)
Joseph Westbrooks (2001)
Bill Baxter (2002)
Harry Durham (2002)
McDonald (Mack) Franklin (2002)
Richard Carroll (2003)
Gordon Perry (2003)
Jim Williams (2003)
William M. "Mickey" Dunn (2004)
James L. "Jimmy" Ellis (2004)
Roy Dukes (2005)
Hale Harris (2005)
W. A. "Buddy" Pate, Jr. (2005)

COACHES

Boyce Smith (1982)
Willie Hudson (1983)
Buck Van Huss (1983)
Tury Oman (1984)
John Treadway (1984)
E. B. "Red" Etter (1985)
Jim Smiddy (1985)
Turney Ford (1986)
Jim Satterfield (1987)
Leonard Staggs (1987)
Joe Branch (1989)
Vernon Osborne (1989)
Buford Bible (1990)
Tom Nix (1990)
Galen Johnson (1991)
Cornelius Ridley (1991)
Dorsey Sims (1992)
R. C. Johnson (1992)
John Farr (1992)
Maurice Kelly (1992)
R. "Charlie" Bayless (1993)
Paul Caywood (1993)
Catherine M. Neely (1993)
Wylie Wheeler (1993)
Joe H. Allen (1994)
Campbell Brandon (1994)
Guy Buchanan (1994)
Dwight Clark (1994)
Ralph Benson (1995)
Fred Gamlin (1995)
Elvin Little (1995)
Dickie Warren (1995)
James A. "Jim" Carwright (1996)
Robert A. Harris, Jr. (1996)
Gene Trotter (1996)
John Tucker (1997)
Lee Pate (1997)
Charlie Anderson (1998)
John Hooper (1998)
Tommy Owen (1998)
Jim Poston (1998)
Richard Ross (1998)
Walter Bouldin (1999)
Bill Brimm (1999)
Mel Brown (1999)
Kermit Forkum (1999)
Benny Monroe (1999)
Ephriam "King" Berrong (2000)
Robert High (2000)
Bert "Chig" Ratledge (2000)
Calvin Short (2000)
A. J. Wilson (2000)
Mack Chandler (2001
Tom Coughenour (2001)
Tommy Griffith (2001)
John Johnson (2001)
Ralph Spangler (2001)
Nick Coutras (2002)
Walter Kilzer (2002)
Juanita Merrell (2002)
Jim Stowe (2002)
Henry Bowles (2003)
Jack Cain (2003)
Rick Insell (2003)
Billy Mayfield (2003)
Clifford Ross (2003)
David Collie (2004)
Dan Crowe (2004)
Joe Halfacre (2004)
Ronald "Scat" Lawson, Sr. (2004)
Jerry Mathis (2004)
W. G. "Petie" Siler (2004)
Bill Derrick (2005)
Hester Gibbs (2005)
Andy Pugh (2005)
Louis Thompson (2005)
Terry Tippett (2005)
Vic Varallo (2005)

OFFICIALS

S. D. Jackson (1982)
Cooper Dyer (1983)
Bill Pack (1983)
Ralph Stout (1984)
Joe Caldwell (1985)
Burrell Crowell (1985)
Tom Keysaer (1986)
Buddy Patey (1986)
Bob Heriges (1987)
Elmer L. Holder (1988)
Pat McHugh (1989)
Ray Street (1989)
Paul McDaniel (1990)
Billy Schrivner (1990)
Brice Hall (1991)
E. L. Hutton (1991)
Fred Baker (1992)
Leo Martindale (1992)
Kenny Coulter (1993)
E. D. "Ickey" Jernigan (1993)
David Scobey (1994)
James E. "Jim" Wright (1994)
Ferrell "Dee" Loveless (1994)
Edwin Black (1995)
Jack Keys (1995)
Elbert Fielden (1996)
Cecil V. "Snooky" Smith (1996)
Emmitt Simon, Sr. (1997)
Joel Huffaker (1997)
Dale Kelley (1998)
Bill Melton (1998)
Leonard Coffman (1999)
Robert Coy "Pistol" Gaither (1999)
Junior Ward (1999)
Hunter Jackson (2000)
Bill Pittman (2000)
William C. "Bill" Battle (2001)
Fred F. Kessler (2001)
John A. McPherson (2001)
Jim Cradic (2002)
Charles McConnell (2002)
Billy Belew (2003)
Ray Fuller (2003)
Don Barry (2004)
Marsha Goodwin (2004)
La Tain McGhee (2004)
Harry Beamon (2005)
Santo Cicirello (2005)
Ray Moffett (2005)

CONTRIBUTORS

Charles Hampton White (1992)
Edgar Allen (1993)
Billy J. Haney (1994)
Nelson Smotherman (1997)
Dick Sobel (1998)
Samuel Beasley (1999)
Dorothy Nell Davis (2000)
Phillip & Sue Ann Simpson (2001)

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE RECOGNITION

ADMINISTRATOR – CHERYSE WAINWRIGHT

It is a pleasure for TSSAA to recognize Cheryse Wainwright as our Distinguished Service Award recipient as an administrator in the state.

Mrs. Wainwright is a product of the Memphis City Schools where she graduated from Douglass High School. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education (Memphis State University), a Master's degree in Administration and Supervision (Trevecca Nazarene University), and her +30 from Cumberland University.

As a Memphis City Schools Employee since 1976, Mrs. Wainwright has worked as a health and physical education instructor, library media specialist, and high school athletic director. She has worked in elementary, junior high, and senior high school. Starting out as a junior high school teacher, she thought she had immediately found her niche at Lanier Junior High. However, after a five year stint in a school she considered ideal, she was transferred to an elementary position as a library media specialist. After another five year period, she transferred to Fairley High as a library media specialist. This also brought her various coaching positions over the years. She has coached volleyball, softball, cross country, and tennis. Today, she is still coaching cross country and tennis and also serves as the Athletic Director. She was given the Tennessee Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association Athletic Director of the Year Award in 2004.

Along with being Athletic Director, Media Specialist, and coach at Fairley, Mrs. Wainwright also accepts other duties to keep her day going such as Student Council sponsor, announcement team coordinator, courtesy club steering committee, and chairperson of the MIAA Senior Athlete of the Year honoree awards.

TSSAA proudly salutes Cheryse Wainwright for the outstanding job she does and her many contributions to high school athletics in Tennessee.

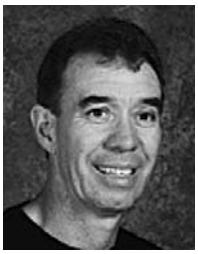
COACH – TOMMY PHARR

TSSAA is pleased to recognize Tommy Pharr as the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award for coaching.

Tommy received his Bachelor of Science degree from Mississippi State in 1984. He received his Masters for Arts, Health and Physical Education in 1989 and his Specialist in Education in 1992, both from Tennessee Technological University. Coach Pharr began his coaching career at Red Bay High in Red Bay, Alabama from 1984-1987. He was also the head coach at Monterey High School in 1989-1991 and also 1993-1995. Tommy was the assistant coach at Tennessee Tech from 1989-1990 and again from 1991-1993. He was also the assistant coach at Baylor University from 1995-1997. He has been the head coach at Farragut from 1997 to the present. His overall record at Farragut is 263-48. Coach Pharr has led the Farragut program to two state runner-up finishes and led the team to two AAA back to back championships for the 2003 and 2004 seasons. Tommy has had 21 players go on to play in college and has had one 1st round draft pick.

For all his many accomplishments in baseball, TSSAA is proud to honor Tommy Pharr as an outstanding coach.

OFFICIAL – DONALD A. GRAHAM



TSSAA is proud to recognize Donald A. (Donnie) Graham as its Distinguished Service Award honoree as an official.

Donnie received his BS Degree in Health and Physical Education and his MS Degree in Safety and Service from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. In 1984, he received his +45 in School Administration and Supervision from the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg.

He began his professional career at West High School in Knoxville as a physical education, health and driver education teacher in 1970. While at West he also served as head track coach and assistant football coach. In 1978 he transferred to Bearden Junior High School where he taught physical education and health and coached track, football, and girls' basketball. Donnie was Elementary Physical Education Specialist from 1980 through 1999 and also held the position as Knox County Summer School Principal for three years during this time. He began as Assistant Principal at Knoxville Halls High School in 1999, and since that time has served as Athletic Director, Interim Principal, and then Principal, a position he currently holds. He belongs to many professional organizations, which include National Education Association, Tennessee Education Association, Knox County Education Association, National Association of Secondary Principals, and Tennessee Association of Secondary Principals. Donnie has served on, and held office for, many leadership committees, among which is the TSSAA Track Committee. Donnie has been involved with track for many years and even though his involvement in track has been limited since moving into administration, he still enjoys officiating track meets when time allows. He is an outstanding track official and has served as starter for the State Track Meet for the past several years. In addition to track, one of Donnie's favorite pastimes is riding motorcycles, a hobby he has taken up in the past year. He also enjoys time with his favorite pet, a yellow lab named Walt. Donnie and his wife, Connie, have a blended family of four children (Shawn, Jennifer, Chris, and Marjo), two grandchildren and one grandson.

TSSAA is proud to recognize Donnie Graham for his outstanding work as an educator and for the many contributions he has made to the sport of track as a coach and official for more than 44 years.

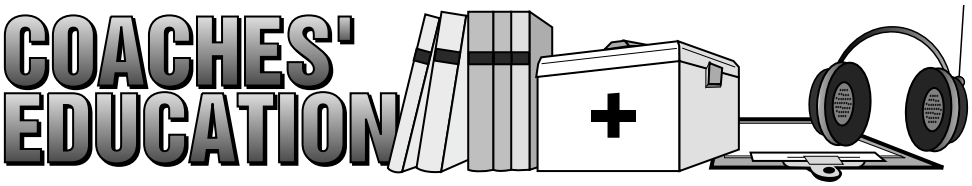
CONTRIBUTOR – MARK BURGESS

It is a pleasure for TSSAA to recognize Mark Burgess as our Distinguished Service Award recipient as a contributor in the state.

Mark has been with the News Sentinel in Knoxville since 1989 and was the newspaper's high school editor from 1993 until earlier this year when he was moved to the University of Tennessee basketball beat. Burgess is a University of Tennessee graduate. Prior to coming to the News Sentinel he was sports editor of the Maryville Daily Times. He was named high school writer of the year by the Lawrenceburg Quarterback Club in 1999 and is a past winner of the Tennessee Sportswriters Association high school writing award.

Mark has two children, Brandon and Katie.

TSSAA proudly salutes Mark Burgess for his many contributions to high school athletics in Tennessee.



National Federation Interscholastic Coaches Education Program

Coaching for Character & Citizenship Through Sports; Drugs & Sport

Attendance in the classes does not mean the individual has successfully completed his or her requirements. Attendees must pass the Coaching Principles and Sports First Aid tests. A copy of both certificates (Coaching Principles & Sports First Aid) should be submitted to the Athletic Director in their school.

February 12th – 13th, 2005

Rebecca Anderson	Whitwell Middle School
Mark Berryman	Boyd Buchanan High School
David Bibee	Baylor School
E.J. Bradford	East Ridge High School
Kevin Cameron	21St Century Academy
Shane Chapman	Cornersville High School
Jeff Dean	Hixson High School
Zachary Dragoo	Chatt. School for the Arts & Sciences
Nichole Henry	Whitwell High School
Kevin Higdon	Whitwell Middle School
Jason Howard	Meigs County High School
Kim Hyatt	Milligan College
Mark Ingram	Sequoyah High School
Thomas Laguardia	Sullivan South High School
Jayson Lamb	Polk County High School
Mark Leader	Knoxville Catholic High School
Phillip Marsh	Red Bank High School
Virgil McNeece	Grundy County High School
Terrance Meadows	Boyd Buchanan High School
Nathaniel Middlebrooks	Notre Dame High School
Gary Miller	Whitwell Middle School
Michael Mitchell	Chatt. School for the Arts & Sciences
David O'Malley, Jr.	Soddy Daisy High School
David O'Malley, Sr.	Soddy Daisy High School
John J. O'Malley, Sr.	Soddy Daisy High School
Joseph Partridge	Brainerd High School
Mike Reid	Whitwell High School
Ryan Rivers	East Ridge High School
William B. Steverson III	Maryville High School
Jackie Stewart	Richard Hardy Memorial School
Andrea Suddard	Polk County High School
Grant Sullivan	Hixson High School
Van Townsend	Baylor School
Oliver Trimiew	Chattanooga Christian School
Angela Warren	Baylor School
Sherry Whaley	Seymour High School
Faun Whitteaker	Powell High School
Christopher Woods	Oak Ridge High School

March 11th – 12th, 2005

Forney Abbott	Northeast High School
Timothy Aric	White House Middle School
Zachary Beasley	Oak Ridge High School
Larry Brackett	Rockwood High School
Phillip Campbell	Siegel High School
Mark Cardin	Giles County High School
Maurice Carter	Tyner Academy
Mike Chaffin	Mt. Juliet Christian Academy
Diana Chalfant	University School of Nashville
Gina Cleek	F.C. Boyd, Sr. Christian School
Darron Dixon	F.C. Boyd, Sr. Christian School
Scotty Dykes	Harriman High School
Tony Fincher	Lawrence County High School
William Ronald Gray	Oak Ridge High School
Shannon Haston	Fayetteville Junior High School
Jim Helmintoller	Centennial High School
Joey Helmintoller	Centennial High School
Todd Hickey	Middle Tennessee Christian School
Rhonda Holmes	Middle Tennessee Christian School
Amro Ibrahim	University School of Nashville
Chuck Kirby	Blackman High School
Kevin Lamb	Oliver Springs High School
Chris Layton	Oak Ridge High School
Jeff Limbaugh	South Middle School
Terrance Martin	South Middle School
Teresa McGee	Oakdale School
Cathy Miller-Bowers	University School of Nashville
Dorinda Nichole Mullins	Gibbs High School
Mike Mullins	Oak Ridge High School
Julie Parham	Harriman High School
Bob Post	Mt. Juliet Christian Academy
Michael Ream	
T. Daniel Tucker	Red Boiling Springs School
Greg Wilder	David Lipscomb High School
Buddy Wilker	Bearden High School
J. Corey Williams	Hendersonville High School

March 18th – 19th, 2005

Gregory Antonini	J. Frank White Academy
Mallory Ayers	Shelbyville Central High School
Angie Beasley	Richland High School
Denny Boguskie	Rossview High School
Gary Cantrell	Cascade High School
Nancy Cordell	
Kyle Crow	Brentwood High School
Dave Goldschmitt	Gibbs High School
Donnie Harris	Warren County High School
Larry Headrick	Knoxville Central High School
Robert Hill	Hume Fogg High School
Zachary Kerr	Millington Central High School
Jeff Lee	Warren County High School
Brent Richardson	Cascade High School
Cory Simpson	Red Bank High School
Roderick Sims	Blackman Middle School
Jason Smith	Rhea County High School
Mary Nile Southam	
Ricky Stinnett	Forrest Middle School
Chelsea Taylor	Middle Tennessee Christian School
Travis Tummel	Knoxville Central High School
Brian Turner	White County High School
Jeremy Wilhelm	Shelbyville Central High School

April 2nd – 3rd, 2005

Wendy Booker	Freedom Middle School
Jason Robert Bragg	Smyrna High School
Chris Broadhead	Volunteer High School
Jeff Brown	Mt. Juliet High School
Buster Bush	Westwood Junior High School
Paula Chavis	Julia Green Elementary School
Charlie Clark	Springfield High School
Scott Courtney	Eagleville High School
William Courtney	Manassas High School
Tommie S. Curtis	Blount Memorial Wellness Center
Tiffany Fields	Hendersonville High School
Derek Grimwood	Forrest High School
Patrick Harry	South Lincoln Elementary School
John T. Henry	Pearl Cohn High School
Gary A. Herndon	Montgomery Central High School
Leah G. Holland	Harpeth Hall High School
Michael Todd Hood	Montgomery Central High School
Becky Isom	Cleveland High School
Iain Kearney	Tellico Plains High School
Deanna Lamb	Eagleville School
Robert P. Left, Jr.	
Jeanie Luna	Tullahoma High School
Jennifer McDonald	Lewis County Middle School
Laymon Jerry Monroe	Kingston High School
Courtney Patty	Knoxville Central High School
Tonya Perry	Springdale Elementary School
Greg Preston	East Robertson High School
A.W. Speake	Ravenwood High School
Josh Stuart	Cheatham County Central High School
Teresa Welch-Drummonds	Midway Elementary School
Beth Williamson	Franklin Road Academy

April 16th – 17th, 2005

Kevin Allen	Jackson Christian School
Dana Barnes	Crockett County High School
Amy Bomar	Briarcrest Christian School
Christopher Brandon	Northeast High School
Efrem Brown	Melrose High School
Laurel Cary	Clarksburg High School
Tim Dancer	McNairy Central High School
Russ Deloach	University School of Jackson
Chalres Garner	Northeast High School
Gavin Hoppie	University School of Jackson
Wayne Kelley	Lausanne Collegiate School
Graham Kemper	Fayette Academy
Robert Layne	Halls Junior High School
Louise Levin	Memphis City Schools
Nic Markle	Fayette Academy
Jason Peters	Lausanne Collegiate School
Eddie Poteete	Madison Academic Magnet High School
Pat Sparks	Decaturville Elementary School
Rickey Sparks	Decaturville Elementary School
Tom Talkington	University School of Jackson
Richard White, Jr.	Adamsville High School

RONNIE CARTER

Be Very proud of Who We Are and What We Do

On more than one occasion and for many different reasons, I reminded different groups that it is very important to recognize that middle school and high school sports are not the only game in town. The reality is that there is a counterpart for every sport we sponsor going on in communities all across the state. Even if you are not involved, you can name them all – AAU basketball, club soccer, travel baseball and softball teams – the list goes on and on. With the exception of football, there is some type of athletic team for the students in our age groups all across the state. We have even begun to get calls concerning rugby clubs for high school aged students in different communities.

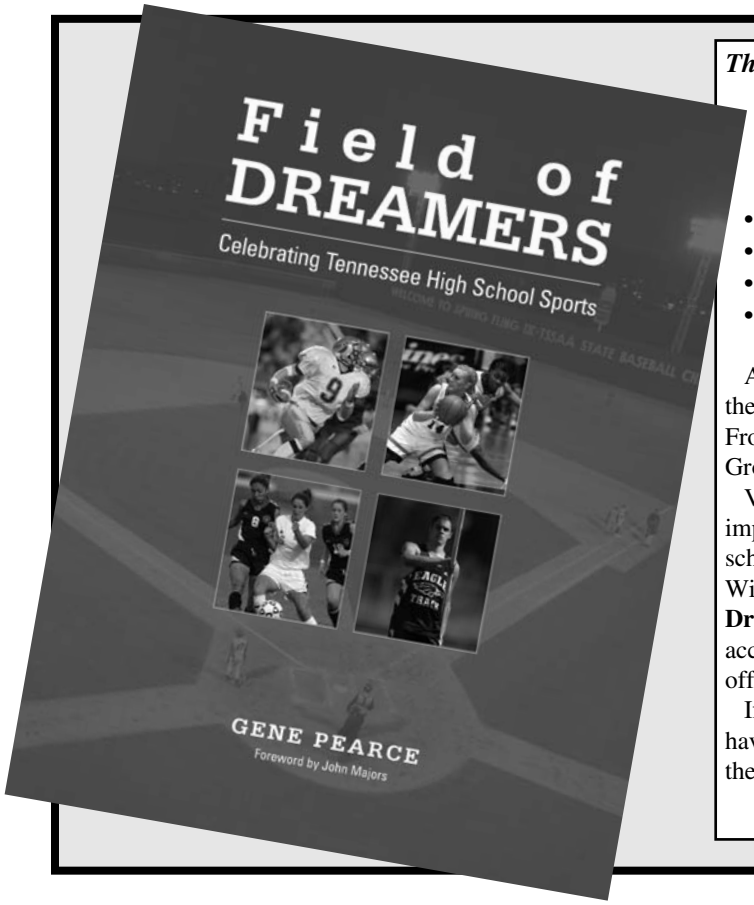
At times I hear us talking about a 12-year-old travel baseball team made up of "elite" athletes from different communities and different states traveling all over the country to play as if we, somehow, have got to compete and travel to just as many places to make certain that we provide the same "things."

It is very vital that we constantly remind ourselves of who we are, what's our purpose, and what makes us different. We need to always be working to improve our programs in respect to being the best we can be at what we do. We are unique. We are one of the few groups that can use the term, "educational athletics." We require training as an educator or as a coach to be involved in working in our athletic programs. Our programs are ultimately the responsibility of the administrators of our schools. Those are two pretty good foundations. It does not mean we have a monopoly on good coaches or strong administrators, but it gives us a pretty good place to start.

We are not for everyone. There are standards that have been set by the member schools through their elected representatives with which students must comply in order to participate, and they are minimum standards. They are the beginning point. When parents, coaches, and administrators place even stronger standards on students in order to participate in our game, I would contend that the minimum standards set by our association and the even stronger ones set by people in our schools are stronger than any other group out there.

And yet, our contests are still attended by as many or more people than most everything out there. Playing for your high school or middle school team is still pretty special.

Our challenge should be to just be what we are supposed to be and do it a little better this year than we did last year. That's challenge enough.



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If you have played high school sports in Tennessee, have coached, have officiated a game, have helped administer or just been a fan up in the stands, this book will be for you.

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BOB BALDRIDGE

Title IX

Title IX has a life of its own and a history that is distinctive from any other bill that has passed through the halls of Congress. Most folks think that Title IX only deals with athletics at it relates to females. However, it deals with discrimination of any type in correctional facilities, libraries, museums, and many other agencies. It does have an effect on about 53,000,000 elementary and secondary school students, 16,000,000 college and university students, as well as over 15,000 school districts, 3,600 colleges and universities, and a multitude of other types of schools.

The initial purpose of Title IX was because of the focus of attention on the lack of educational rights and privileges for females. Oregon State Representative Edith Green was the first person to introduce a bill regarding women's athletics in higher education. However, it was a couple of good old boys, Senator Birch Bayh of Indiana and Senator George McGovern of South Carolina, who really got the ball rolling. The bottom line is that Senator Bayh was the real moving factor in Congress for Title IX.

Probably the biggest push on Title IX came from the late President Lyndon Johnson. His daughter, Luci Baines Johnson, was a nursing student at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. In 1966 she got married and Georgetown regulations would not permit married women to be students.

Amongst the five different bills that were introduced, there were over 250 differences between the House and Senate Education Bill, 11 of which dealt with gender discrimination. In 1972, the Conference Committee brought all of the Title IX regulations together, but it wasn't until 1975 that then President Gerald Ford signed the act to become law.

Senator Bayh continued for many years to be the real leader in writing legislation and pushing for legislation against discrimination of any kind. Title IX is modeled after Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, and national origin. It was then followed by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination of 1975, and the American Disability Act of 1990.

Three years ago the Federal Government had "town meetings" across the United States for discussion of changes in the Title IX Act as it related to athletics. After many heated presentations, a ton of press coverage, and input from virtually every sports organization in the United States, the committee found and recommended that no changes be made in the Title IX law. They did recommend that interpretations be written so that the majority of the citizens of the United States could have a better and more complete understanding of the compliance rules and regulations.

Tennessee was one of very few states not placed in a Federal Court situation to force athletics on high schools. TSSAA had initiated girls' basketball many, many years before Title IX became law. TSSAA also had had women's tennis for a long period of time and began adding programs for girls as the needs and wants of TSSAA member schools became apparent. The most recent list of Title IX compliance items include:

• A school cannot discriminate on the basis of gender in the provision of opportunities for participation in extracurricular activities like interscholastic athletics.

• It cannot discriminate on the basis of gender in the allocation of resources for interscholastic athletics or other extracurricular activities.

• Where there is gender-based disparity in programs offered or resources dedicated to those programs, there is not true equal opportunity for participation.

• The most important thing a school can do to avoid a Title IX problems is to be aware of the applicability of Title IX and actively seek to promote participation opportunities and the dedication of resources to all sports, not just those that are traditionally male-dominated.

• The worse thing a school can do is to ignore the existence and applicability of Title IX and simply conduct business as usual because that's the way it has always been done.

• A pattern of ongoing program expansion efforts, particularly with respect to women's programs, will stand the school in better stead with the Office of Civil Rights if there is a Title IX investigation.

• Strongly urge each school administrator to contact the school's attorney to obtain advice and counsel on what should be done to avoid a Title IX violation.

• Any school will be in a much more favorable position, in any investigation of a Title IX claim, if it has already taken voluntary efforts to insure compliance with the statute.up in Spanish I may not be where they left off at the previous school. The transfer student faces not only new classes but a new environment with different classmates. Athletics many times will make that transition much easier as the student athlete immediately gets into the positives of inter-reacting with other students.

When you throw the mobility of families into the prospect of charter schools and "no child left behind" as well as other innovative educational formats, the family has a multitude of decisions to make. The most prominent one has got to be that education is first. Athletics does play a tremendous part in a child's life, but getting a proper education will take a child much further in his or her later years. Too many decisions are based on where the best baseball or softball program exists. Almost everyone in education has seen a family make adjustments in their life so that a child can have two and a half months of one season for one year for one lifetime in one special time of environment. Again, the right decision has got to be for education.

Administrators, coaches, teachers and anyone in a supervisor capacity become a role model for children. They are even more so a role model as a child steps into a new environment. How school personnel act, react, and interact with students becomes a bigger and more important factor each and everyday. School personnel become the family environment to many children. School personnel must be a shining example for children. Children pick up on the slightest movements of adults as well as their moves and their attitudes. It is so important that we as administrators, coaches and teachers know and show respect for each other and therefore, the children around them will hopefully pick up the same traits.

A great general rule of thumb is to treat others as you would want to be treated yourself. And probably more important is to treat children the way you would want others to treat your children.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Rules violations by member schools and sanctions imposed. All activities varsity level unless otherwise specified.

SCHOOL	SPORT	VIOLATION	DISCIPLINARY ACTION
Arlington	Basketball (Boys JV)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Brighton	Basketball (Boys)	Player left bench and came onto floor during altercation.	School fined $250.
Cascade	Boys Bowling	Playing ineligible player in five or more games.	School self-reported. School fined $250. Games forfeited.
Clinton	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Collierville	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend next two games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Collierville	Basketball (Boys JV)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	LAST GAME. School's decision to suspend first two games next season. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Columbia Academy	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend next two games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Cookeville	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend next two games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250..
Decatur County Riverside	Basketball (Boys)	Player left bench during altercation.	School fined $250.
Dickson County	Basketball (Boys JV)	Player left bench and came onto floor during altercation.	School fined $250.
Dyersburg	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Elizabethton	Basketball (Girls JV)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Elliston Baptist	Basketball (Boys)	Playing ineligible player in seven games.	School self-reported. School fined $250. Games forfeited. School initiated disciplinary action in removing head coach and the boys basketball team from postseason tournaments.
Frank Hughes	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 dates. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Gleason	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Grace Christian Academy	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Hancock County	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Hume Fogg	Basketball (Boys JV)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Jackson Christian	Basketball (Boys JV)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Jackson North Side	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Jefferson County	Basketball (Boys JV)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	Pending.
Kings Academy	Basketball (Girls)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Lenoir City	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Lexington	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Maplewood	Football and Boys Bowling	Playing of ineligible player.	School self-reported. School fined $250. Games forfeited.
McNairy Central	Basketball (Boys)	Player left bench during altercation.	School fined $250.
Memphis Northside	Basketball (Boys)	Playing of ineligible player in two contests.	School self-reported. School fined $250. Games forfeited.
Memphis University School	Soccer	Use of non-faculty coach during 2002 and 2003.	School self-reported. School fined $1000.
Mitchell	Basketball (Girls)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	Pending.
Oliver Springs	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Overton	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Red Boiling Springs	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Rhea County	Basketball (Boys JV)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Richard Hardy	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Richland	Basketball (Boys)	Assistant coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Rossview	Basketball (Boys JV)	Player left bench and came onto floor during altercation.	School fined $250.
Sheffield	Basketball (Boys)	Fans left stands- players left bench and came onto floor during altercation.	School fined $500. Players suspended next two games. Boys basketball program on probation one year.
Soddy Daisy	Basketball (Boys)	Player went into stands resulting in altercation.	School fined $500. Boys basketball program on probation one year. Player suspended one game.
Station Camp	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Sunbright	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Sweetwater	Basketball (Girls)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.
Westwood	Basketball (Boys)	Fans left stands- players left bench and came onto floor during altercation.	Players suspended from next 2 games. Boys' basketball program on probatioin one year. School fined $500.
White House	Basketball (Boys JV)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	Pending.
William Blount	Basketball (Boys)	Head coach ejected for unsportsmanlike conduct.	School's decision to suspend for next 2 games. Coach not allowed to attend games under suspension. School fined $250.

THE RIGHT TEAM: AN UPDATE

STEPHEN BARGATZE

The Right Team spent some time looking into inhalants.

Here are some facts on the abuse of inhalants.

• Inhalants are the fourth most abused substance after alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana among high school students.

• A 2004 nationwide survey of students indicates that 17.3% of eighth graders have used inhalants compared to 16.3% who have used marijuana/hashish.

• Chronic inhalant users can suffer severe and permanent brain damage; some die the first time they try it; other possible risk include loss of consciousness and irreversible damage to the liver, kidneys and bone marrow.

• More than 1,000 common, useful and legal household, office and classroom products can be used to "get high."

• Inhalant highs are the result of intensive penetration of toxic chemicals into the brain tissue, where they are capable of causing irreversible damage.

• A University of Michigan study conducted for the National Institute on Drug Abuse notes that the recent increase in the use of inhalants is occurring across most sectors of society. It is not just concentrated in large cities, particular regions of the country or minority groups.

There is a common link between inhalants abuse and problems in school—failing grades, chronic absences and general apathy. Other signs include the following:

- Paint or stains on body, clothing, rags or bags
- Spots or sores around the month
- Red or runny eyes or nose
- Chemical breath odor
- Drunk, dazed or dizzy appearance
- Nausea, loss of appetite
- Anxiety, excitability, irritability
- Missing abusable household items.

For more information get in contact with Harvey Weiss, Executive Director of the National Inhalant Prevention Coalition. The number is 1-800-269-4237, and email address is nipc@io.com

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Here are a few things to think about that you probably have never given to much thought to. That is why I'm here, to help you better understand this world we live in.

• How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?

• Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up like every two hours.

• Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

• If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a stupid song about him?

• Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane?

• If Wyle E. Coyote had enough money to buy all the ACME crap, why didn't he just buy dinner?

• If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, where are they getting baby oil from?

• Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride; he sticks his head out the window?

A Big "Thank You" to Our Corporate Sponsors

The corporate sponsors and supporters play an integral part in the TSSAA and the TSSAA State Championships. TSSAA would like to thank our corporate sponsors and supporters for their dedication and hard work this winter during the state championships.

BlueCross BlueShield- This year marked the first year of an additional contract for BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee to be the title sponsor Spring Fling. The baseball, softball, soccer, track & field and tennis championships will be held during the BlueCross Spring Fling in Memphis. The Healthy Competition program educates athletes about the potential dangers of using performance-enhancing drugs (PEDs) such as steroids and nutritional supplements. "Through our continued partnership with TSSAA, BlueCross has been able to promote physical fitness and show student athletes that goals are accomplished through hard work and healthy competition, not by using drugs," said Joan Harp, senior vice president and chief marketing officer for BlueCross.

US Marines Corps- United States Marines Corps joined the TSSAA as a supporter of the State Championships and the TSSAA in October. The Marines brought their Chin-Up Challenge to the wrestling and basketball championships this winter. At the wrestling championships, the Marines tested fans with the Chin-Up Challenge. Participants tested their strength in chin-ups to receive prizes from the Marines. Over 350 students took the challenge during the three-day event. The US Marines also distributed medals and trophies during the medal ceremony. During the Division I girls and boys basketball championships the Marines brought the Chin-Up Challenge and Basketball Free Throw Challenge. Over 862 students participated in the challenges during the two weeks.

Baptist Sports Medicine- Baptist Sports Medicine continued to play an important role in the TSSAA State Championships by providing medical coverage for all games. Baptist Sports Medicine is the sports medicine provider for the Tennessee Titans, the Nashville Predators.

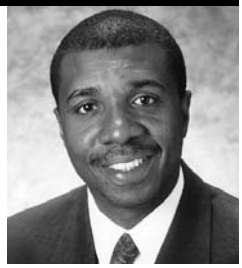
Memphis Grizzlies- Memphis Grizzlies and the TSSAA honored 24 outstanding athletes in the Mr. and Miss Basketball Awards Ceremony. The finalists were honored following the state basketball championships for each division.

Gatorade- Gatorade continued to play a major role at all TSSAA State Championships by providing Gatorade product and coolers for participants at the events. TSSAA would like to encourage everyone to check-out the Gatorade website to learn about sidelines opportunities for your school.

Krystal- The Krystal Company joined the TSSAA corporate partnership program by presenting, the Division I girls and boys state basketball championships. To get the crowd excited, the Krystal company presented a "fan of the game" during the half-time of the each of the Division I girls and boys state basketball championships. The "Krystal Fan of the Game" received a free sackful- 12 Krystal burgers, 2 medium fries and 2 medium drinks from Krystal.

TMSAA Meeting Minutes

February 16, 2005



The Tennessee Middle School Athletic Association held its second meeting of the school year on Wednesday, February 16, 2005, at the TSSAA office in Hermitage. Committee members present were Vic King, Chic Nute, Mike Fulkerson, Hardin Satterfield, Mike Morrison and Norma Beshears.

Members of the committee approved the current membership list. We had 10 new schools that applied for membership this year. This brings the total number of member schools in TMSAA to 280.

Committee members decided on the topics they felt needed to be discussed with our Athletic Directors during the TMSAA Forum at the Athletic Directors' Conference on April 4th – 6th at Opryland Hotel in Nashville. Those topics were as follows:

1. Does the TMSAA Committee need to look at classifying schools according to enrollments?

2. Basketball.

3. Independent Game Participation Rule

4. Who TMSAA member schools may play

The committee looked at the possibility of realigning all member schools into small and large divisions by Areas based on eighth grade enrollment figures. The enrollment figures that were studied are those submitted to the State Department of Education by each school in order to get their funding. After much discussion, it became very apparent to each member that classification is a major undertaking and schools do not know all of the ramifications. TMSAA already allows each Area of the state (Middle, East, and West) to meet and classify the schools that participate in their tournament series if they desire. Middle and East Tennessee schools have decided to divide into small and large divisions while West Tennessee only has one class. There is no need to classify state wide since all middle school tournament competition is held in each Area exclusively. The committee decided to study this issue and make sure that we do something to encourage participation and not discourage it.

At the request of a member school administrator, the committee discussed the number of TSSAA Identification cards being given to middle schools. At the current time,high school members are allowed ten cards per year. TMSAA member schools are allowed four with the option of purchasing four additional cards each year. Committee members voted to ask the TSSAA Board of Control to consider raising the number of identification cards allowed to member middle schools each year.

2004-2005 WINTER STATE CHAMPIONS

The TSSAA would like to congratulate the following state champions for 2003-2004 winter sports

WRESTLING

DIVISION I A-AA DUALS
Franklin Road Academy
DIVISION I AAA DUALS
Franklin High School
DIVISION II DUALS
Baylor School
DIVISION I INDIVIDUAL
Bradley Central High School
DIVISION II INDIVIDUAL
Baylor School

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Class A
Peabody High School
Class AA
Chester County High School
Class AAA
Mt. Juliet High School
Division II
Harpeth Hall High School

BOYS BASKETBALL

Class A
Middleton High School
Class AA
Bolivar Central High School
Class AAA
Ridgeway High School
Division II
Brentwood Academy

We would like to congratulate the TMSAA Sectional Basketball Champions. Members of our championship teams were given the opportunity to be recognized during the TSSAA Girls' and Boys' State Basketball Tournaments.

2005 TMSAA GIRLS' SECTIONAL BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS

Middle Tennessee - Small School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Charlotte Middle School	Ray Lecomte	Sue Breeden

Middle Tennessee - Large School Division

School	Principal	Coach
E.O. Coffman Middle School	Bernie Fuller	Anthony Flatt

East Tennessee- Small School Division

School	Principal	Coaches
Oliver Springs Elementary	Gwen Johnson	Sam Bilyeu, Joan Bilyeu, Kelli Bilyeu

East Tennessee-Large School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Blountville Middle School	Larry Hall	Richard Bragg

Hamilton County - Small School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Chattanooga School for the Liberal Arts	Ismahen Kangles	Becky Malone

Hamilton County - Large School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Dalewood Middle School	Linda Darden	Edward Rowe

West Tennessee

School	Principal	Coach
Southwind Middle School	Marcia Crouch	Michelle Nelson

2004 TMSAA BOYS' SECTIONAL BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS

Middle Tennessee - Small School Division

School	Principal	Coach
New Prospect Elementary	Jerry Dryden	Bill Osborn

Middle Tennessee - Large School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Murfreesboro Central Middle	Will Shelton	Ron Couey

East Tennessee - Small School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Holston Middle School	Dr. David Burrell	Jared Harrison, Mike Crowder

East Tennessee - Large School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Jefferson Middle School	Bruce Lay	Mike Murphy

Hamilton County - Small School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Howard Middle School	Elaine Swafford	

Hamilton County - Large School Division

School	Principal	Coach
Ooltewah Middle School	Diana Green	Gerald Williams

West Tennessee

School	Principal	Coach
Southwind Middle School	Marcia Crouc	Paul Edwards

2005-06 COACHES EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE

NOTE: ONLY APPLICATIONS FROM TSSAA AND TMSAA MEMBER SCHOOL COACHES WILL BE ACCEPTED DURING THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF THE APPLICATION PERIOD.

Dates	Days	Applications Accepted	Classes	Place
June 8, 9, 2005	Wed., Thurs.	April 8 – May 12	Franklin Road Academy	Nashville, TN
July 6, 7, 2005	Wed., Thurs.	May 6 – June 7	Maryville High School	Maryville, TN
July 27, 28, 2005	Wed., Thurs.	May 30 – June 28	St. Benedict at Auburndale	Cordova, TN
Aug.27, 28, 2005	Sat., Sun.	June 27 – July 28	Daniel Boone High School	Gray, TN
Sep. 24, 25, 2005	Sat., Sun.	July 22 – Aug. 25	Jefferson Co. High School	Dandridge, TN
Oct. 15,16, 2005	Sat., Sun.	Aug. 15 – Sept. 16	Maryville High School	Maryville, TN
Nov. 5, 6, 2005	Sat., Sun.	Sept. 6 – Oct. 6	University School of Jackson	Jackson, TN
Dec. 2, 3, 2005	Fri., Sat.	Oct. 3 – Nov. 3	SportsCom	Murfreesboro, TN
Feb. 25, 26, 2006	Sat., Sun.	Dec. 13 – Jan. 26	Boyd Buchanan High School	Chattanooga, TN
March 10, 11, 2006	Fri., Sat.	Jan. 9 – Feb. 10	SportsCom	Murfreesboro, TN
March 17, 18, 2006	Fri., Sat.	Jan. 9 – Feb. 10	SportsCom	Murfreesboro, TN
April 8, 9, 2006	Sat., Sun	Feb. 8 – Mar. 9	Franklin Road Academy	Nashville, TN
April 29, 30, 2006	Sat., Sun	Feb. 8 – Mar. 9	University School of Jackson	Jackson, TN

NO EARLY REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

A.F. BRIDGES SCHOLARSHIPS

The A.F. Bridges Awards Program announced in the winter issue of the TSSAA News the 27 Divisional Finalists for 2003-04. Also, the nine schools that won the A.F. Bridges' State Award of Excellence were recognized.

Last year the TSSAA Board of Control earmarked $27,000 toward a scholarship fund to recognize one outstanding student athlete from each of the 27 schools that were Divisional Finalist for the A.F. Bridges Awards. Each school was asked to recognize a person who represents the essence of good sportsmanship and citizenship. The criteria for this nomination was set up by each individual school.

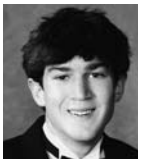
Each nominee was asked to provide a complete resume as well as a paper describing what participation in activities has meant to them. Additionally, we asked for input as to their perception of their role and responsibilities as a student leader.

Each student will be awarded the $1,000 scholarship once they have enrolled in college.

We are very proud to announce the 27 A.F. Bridges Scholar Athletes.

EAST TENNESSEE - CLASS A

LAURA EDMUNDS, Christian Academy of Knoxville
She has a 3.9 GPA and is the senior class vice-president. Laura is a member of Young Life, Mu Alpha Theta, and National Honor Society. Volunteer and work experience includes Mission of Hope, Angel Tree, Habitat for Humanity, and a Quebec mission trip. She lettered in volleyball and swimming three years each in high school. Athletic accomplishments and awards include All-Tournament District and Region teams in 2003 and 2004.



SEAN WADLEY, Temple High School
He has a 4.5 GPA and is the Salutatorian of the senior class. He is a member of National Honor Society and the recipient of the Pre-Calculus Award and Geometry Award. Sean is the student body president and was named "Mr. Temple" by his peers. He helps tutor elementary school students and is a Youth Leadership Team member for his church's youth group. He has lettered in basketball four seasons and was team captain both as a junior and senior. In his four years on the basketball court, Temple advanced to the state tournament each year and was crowned state champions twice. He was an All-District and All-Region tournament selection as a junior and senior.

GARY PICKETT, Whitwell High School
As a senior he carries a 3.75 GPA and is an active member in Fellowship of Christian Athletes. In 2004 his was the recipient of the Principal Award for his community involvement, leadership skills, and dedication in service learning courses. He was twice the recipient of the Student of the Month Award in 2003 and 2004. Gary lettered in basketball three years and received the Total Performance and Most Improved Player Awards. As a senior he averaged 14 points and 11 rebounds.

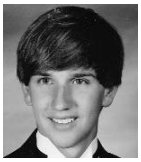
EAST TENNESSEE - CLASS AA

ALLIE MARGARET FRAZIER, Carter High School
She has a 3.89 Grade Point Average. She has lettered in track and field, basketball, and soccer each of her four years in high school. She also competed in cross country as a junior and senior. She was team captain of both the soccer and basketball teams as a junior and senior. Allie has competed in the AAU national track meet in the pentathlon, javelin throw, shot put, 800m dash, 400m hurdles, and the 4 x 400 relay. She has participated in Vacation Bible School and attended a mission trip wit her church.

KAYLA VAUGHN, Sullivan Central High School
She has a 3.4 GPA and has been an AIM scholar for three years. She has received perfect attendance recognition each of her four years in high school and has been named to the principles Honor Roll list both as a sophomore and junior. She lettered in basketball four years at Sullivan Central and was the first person to reach 1,000 rebounds in a career. She holds a total of four rebounding records at the school and was selected to the All-District team three times.

MICHELLE SHOCKLEY, West Greene High School
She has a 3.89 GPA and is ranked fourth out of 121 in her class. She has been a faculty nominated Student Council member for four years and is currently the Student Council President. She is a member of National Honor Society, Tennessee Tomorrow Club, DECA, FBLA, and a member of the school newspaper staff. Michelle has received numerous academic awards in her high school career and has been an AIM scholar for three years. She lettered in basketball, volleyball, and softball each of her four years and was captain of all three teams as a senior. Volleyball accolades include being named to the All-District, All-Region, and All-State teams in 2003. Volunteer work includes Red Cross Blood Drive Volunteer, Sprint Coat Drive, Gifts for Kids, Operation Christmas Child, and Opportunity House.

EAST TENNESSEE - CLASS AAA



PAUL DICKENSON, Bearden High School
He has a 3.6 GPA and is a member of National Honor Society, Key Club, FCA, and Young Life. He was named "Most Athletic" at Bearden his senior year and is listed among "Who's Who Among American High School Students." He has lettered in baseball, track, and basketball. Paul was captain of the basketball team during his senior season. On the court he has been named to the All-tournament team at the Landair Tip-Off Classic and was an All-District selection in 2005.

CHLOE HOLT, Greeneville High School
She has 3.6 GPA and is President of the Student Council. She has been an Academic Achievement award winner three times. She is currently the President of FCCLA and Anchor Club. Chloe is an AIM scholar and is a Roan Scholar nominee. She has been a cheerleader each of her four years in high school and was a member of the softball team her senior year. She participates in chorus, is a member of Future Teachers of America, and has been a Freshman Mentor since she was a sophomore. Volunteer work includes two years at the HeadStart Center, Red Cross, Boys and Girls Club, and St. Jude Children's Hospital.

CORY EVERETT, Maryville High School
He has a 3.92 GPA and has taken numerous honors courses throughout his high school career. He has been an Honor Roll student and been recognized for perfect attendance each year at Maryville. He is involved in Habitat for Humanity, Young Life, and has participated in the American Cancer Society Benefit, Arthritis Walk, and Diabetes Walk. Cory lettered in football each year in high school. Three of the four years the Maryville football team won the Class 4A state championship. As a senior he was a team captain and was named to the 1st Team All-Region and 1st Team All-State teams.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE - CLASS A

CASEY JOHNSON, Forrest High School
He is an honor student at Forrest High School. He has been on the First National Bank Student Advisory Board and is a member of the Junior Leadership Marshall Team. Casey has been a member of Future Farmers of America for three years and has lettered in baseball each of his four years at Forrest.

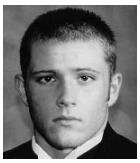
AMBER CHAVEZ, Van Buren County High School
She is ranked sixteenth in her senior class. She has been a member of FFA, FCCLA, Spanish Club, Americorps, and Junior Beta. Amber has competed in numerous beauty pageants with much success. She was a manager on the baseball team each year in high school. She lettered in volleyball as a junior and senior and was a member of the basketball team in eighth grade and as a junior.

ELIZABETH DICKENS, Westmoreland High School
She has a 4.7 GPA and is ranked first in the senior class. She is a member of Beta Club and is currently the treasurer. Other clubs and organizations she has participated in include FBLA, Spanish Club, FCA, FCCLA, Choir, Yearbook and Newspaper Staff, and the prom committee. She is a recipient of the DAR Award and was a delegate at Girls' State her junior year. Elizabeth lettered in volleyball each of her four years at Westmoreland.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE - CLASS AA

ALEX WOODWARD, Dekalb County High School
He is a member of the Student Council, president of FBLA, and the vice-president of Beta Club. He has a 3.76 GPA and is the recipient of the TSSAA Academic Achievement Award. Alex is also a member of the Spanish Club, Science Club, and FCA. He was a Boy's State nominee this year and was voted "Mr. DCHS." He lettered in basketball each of his four years in high school and was a member of the golf team as a freshman and sophomore.

BRIAN COLSON, Livingston Academy
He has been a member of Beta Club as a junior and senior. He has been listed on the National Honor Roll and is also a member of National Honors Society and Spanish HonorsSociety. This year Brian was voted "Most Athletic" by his peers. He was a three year starter on the football team, two year basketball starter, and three year starter on the baseball team. He was named to the All-Region football team in 2002 and 2004. In 2005 he was named to the District 7-AA All-Tournament team and All-Defensive team. He was named to the All-State baseball team in 2004 and pitched two no-hitters in 2003.

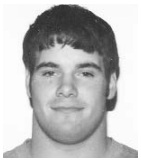


MATTHEW DYER, Smith County High School
He has a 3.7 GPA and has been a recipient of the Academic Football Award each year in high school. He is a member of Beta Club, Rotary Interact Club, Science and Math Club, Speech and Drama Club, FCA, and Spanish Club. He lettered in football each year in high school, as well as one year on the baseball team. He was team captain and was named to the All-Region team and the All-Region Most Valuable Linebacker his senior season. Volunteer experience includes Habitat for Humanity, Rotary Club, Interact Canned Food Drive, and Fundraiser for HOSA.

A.F. BRIDGES SCHOLARSHIPS

MIDDLE TENNESSEE - CLASS AAA

LACIE BELL, Cookeville High School
She is a member of National Honors Society, Spanish Honors Society, and the National Forensic League. She has been the recipient of the Student Athlete Award of Merit and the TSSAA Academic Achievement Award for three consecutive years. She has been nominated for People to People Sports Ambassador and to attend the 2003 National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence, and Diplomacy. She lettered in basketball for three years and was also the ball girl for the football team three years as well. Lacie was awarded the 2004-05 Outstanding Senior Community Leader Award presented by the Putnam County Sheriff's Department.



STANLEY BROOKS, Dickson County High School
He has a 3.94 GPA and is ranked 35th in a class of over 300 students. He is a member of FCA, FCCLA, and Junior Civitan. He was a Boys' State nominee and has had perfect attendance since the fifth grade. Stanley has lettered in football and wrestling each year in high school and was a member of the baseball team as a sophomore and junior. As a senior he was the team captain on the football team. He placed fifth at the state wrestling tournament in the 215-pound weight class both his junior and senior years.

JOSHUA RYAN HENN, Franklin County High School
He has a 3.74 GPA and is president of the student body. He is a member FCA, Beta Club, and Young Life. He is the recipient of the EdAmerica Scholar Athlete Award. He haslettered in football and baseball each year at Franklin County and lettered in basketball two years. He is involved in numerous church and school activities including food drives, walk-a-thons, and fundraisers. Joshua serves on various school committees and he attended the Student Council Leadership Convention his senior year.

WEST TENNESSEE - CLASS A

KYRA BROWN, Halls High School
She has been a member of the basketball team each year in high school and was the team captain her senior season. She has been a member of FBLA, FCCLA, and DECA. Her accomplishments on the basketball court include receiving the All-Conference Award twice and she was an All-District selection once. Kyra was named to the All-tournament team in 2001 and was voted "Most Improved Offensive Player" in 2004. She has volunteered to help collect can goods for the Tina Turner Foundation, cleaned up the community park, and raised money for senior citizens.

PAIGE HUGHES, Dresden High School
She lettered in both basketball and softball each year in high school. She was also the statistician for the football team each year in school as well. She is president of STARS, vice-president of the Pep Club, and secretary of the Student Council. Other clubs she participates in are Beta Club, FCA, DECA, FCCLA, FFA, Mu Alpha Theta, Interact, and Spanish Club. Paige was voted "Best All Around" of the senior class. She has volunteered her time by attending the World Changers Mission Trip, collecting items for the Weakley County Nursing Home, and working at the Telethon of Stars.

KALA RENFROE, Scotts Hill High School
She lettered in basketball and softball each year in high school. She is vice-president of her class and secretary of the Beta Club. Other organizations she is a part of include Mu Alpha Theta, yearbook staff, Spanish Club, Honors English Club, Drama Club, and HOSA. She was the recipient of the sportsmanship award in basketball and softball. Kala was also an All-District selection in softball. Volunteer work includes visitation to nursing homes, food drives, and raising money for a local family in need and for St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

WEST TENNESSEE - CLASS AA

JENNIFER WILDES, Brighton High School
She has lettered in track, volleyball, and basketball at Brighton. She will graduate with honors in May and is the recipient of the Presidential Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence. She was voted "Most Athletic" by the senior class and has been named to the All-Tournament and All-District teams in volleyball. Jennifer is a member of the National Honor Society and was voted "Student of the Month" by the teachers at her school. She has been named "Athlete of the Week" by the Covington Leader and "Star of the Week" by the Millington Star.

LAWANNA HOLIDAY, Chester County High School
She has participated in basketball, softball, soccer, and volleyball at Chester County. She is a member of National Beta Club, FCA, Mu Alpha Theta, Honor Club, FCCLA, BPA, and is President of the Spanish Honor Society. She was a Girls' State Delegate and has been the recipient of the President's Award. Volunteer work and community service include Angel Tree, Canned Food Drive, High School Relay for Life, and community service through the Spanish Honor Society. Lawanna has been named to the All-District and All-Region teams in basketball each year of her high school career. She was recently named to the All-Tournament team at the state tournament this year.

RENEE CRAWLEY, McKenzie High School
She lettered in basketball each year at McKenzie and was captain of the team as a senior. She also participated on the track team. She is a member of Beta Club, Spanish Club, Minority Council, Key Club, FCA, DECA, and student council. Renee was a High School Heisman award nominee and was named Homecoming Queen her senior year. Volunteer work includes Habitat for Humanity, Relay for Life, Angel Tree, and donating cans at Thanksgiving for United Neighbors.

WEST TENNESSEE - CLASS AAA

MARY BETH OZMENT, Dyersburg High School
She is an Honor Roll student with a 3.86 GPA and will graduate with honors from Dyersburg High School. She lettered in basketball, soccer, and track during her four years of high school. She has been a student council representative each year and was class secretary as a sophomore. She is a member of National Honor Society, Spanish Club, FCA, Drama Club, DECA, Young Life, and Tennessee Tomorrow. She has received the TSSAA Student Athlete Award of Merit each year in school. Among her many athletic achievements, she has been named to the All-District soccer team three times and placed first in the district in the high jump, 300m hurdles, and 100m hurdles. Mary Beth was a member of the basketball team that advanced to the semi-finals of the state tournament this year. Volunteer work includes Special Olympics and Young Life.

MEREDITH BROOKE DeBERRY, Hardin County High School
She has lettered in volleyball each year at Hardin County and was captain of the team as a senior. She is president of the student council and a "Student of the Year" nominee. She is also a nominee for Senate Youth Program and the Principal's Leadership Scholarship. Brooke is a member of National Honor Society, Drama Team, Just Say No, and Christians in Action. She was a Girls' State alternate as a junior and a Governor's School nominee. She has been a participant each year in Relay for Life.

GARY M. ASKEW, Millington Central High School
He has been a member of the football and track teams at Millington Central. He is a member of DECA, Amistad, and the marching band. He received the All-West Music Award in 2000 for percussion. Awards for his performance on the football field include being named the All-Region cornerback and running back in 2003 and 2004. Gary placed fifth at the state finals in the 100 meter dash in 2004 and was the Commercial Appeal Male Track Athlete of the Year finalist. This year he was voted "Most Athletic" and "Most Spiritual" by the senior class at Millington. Volunteer experience includes Jubilee Mission's Christmas Eve Homeless Feeding and Community Witnessing Weekly.

2005-2006 MEETINGS FOR NON-FACULTY & BEGINNING COACHES

September 20	**5:00 P.M.**	**Daniel Boone High School**	**Gray, TN**
September 21	**5:00 P.M.**	**Webb School of Knoxville**	**Knoxville, TN**
September 22	**5:00 P.M.**	**Notre Dame High School**	**Chattanooga, TN**
September 26	**5:00 P.M.**	**Hunters Lane High School**	**Nashville, TN**
September 27	**5:00 P.M.**	**Board of Education**	**Memphis, TN**
September 28	**5:00 P.M.**	**USJ**	**Jackson, TN**
September 29	**5:00 P.M.**	**Whitthorne Middle School**	**Columbia,TN**
January 12	**5:00 P.M.**	**Webb School of Knoxville**	**Knoxville, TN**
January 19	**5:00 P.M.**	**Union University**	**Jackson, TN**
January 23	**5:00 P.M.**	**Hunters Lane High School**	**Nashville, TN**

2005-2006 ADMINISTRATORS' MEETINGS

Monday, Sept. 19	9:00 a.m.	Cookeville, Cookeville High School		
Tuesday, Sept. 20	9:00 a.m.	Gray, Daniel Boone High School	1:00 p.m.	Middle School Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 21	9:00 a.m.	Knoxville, Knoxville Central High School	1:00 p.m.	Middle School Meeting
Thursday, Sept. 22	9:00 a.m.	Chattanooga, Stadium Club; Finley Stadium	1:00 p.m.	Middle School Meeting
Monday, Sept. 26	9:00 a.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School	1:00 p.m.	Middle School Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 27	9:00 a.m.	Memphis, Board of Education	1:00 p.m.	Middle School Meeting
Wednesday, Sept. 28	9:00 a.m.	Jackson, Union University	1:00 p.m.	Middle School Meeting
Thursday, Sept. 29	9:00 a.m.	Fayetteville, Municipal Building(On the square)	1:00 p.m.	Middle School Meeting

TRINA MELTON

Ninth Annual Cheer Coaches Conference

What a great cheer coaches conference! Middle school and high school coaches attended the conference at the Opryland Hotel in Nashville on April 4 – 5, 2005. The first day consisted of five general sessions with some excellent speakers and presenters. On the second day, the AACCA certification course was given for coaches to renew their certification and some taking the course for the first time.

An awards luncheon was held on Monday, with Kerry Arrington (Tennessee Titan Cheerleader) as the keynote speaker. Three cheerleading coaches from across the state received the East, Middle and West Tennessee Cheer Coach of the Year award.

From East Tennessee, Dewanna Glover of Karns High School in Knoxville received the award. Dewanna Glover has been coaching at Karns High School for 27 years, with her squads competing on the local, regional, and national levels. Her efforts have placed them consistently in the Nationals, and they captured a National Championship in 2003. Her squads have maintained a 3.25 gpa, and over one hundred of her cheerleaders have gone on to cheer in college. Dewanna has cultivated the Karns High School program over the years, creating a dynasty of which young girls in the community dream of being a part. Although she has a family and personal life, cheerleading remains a top priority as she maintains and manages her paperwork and official business meticulously. Her practices are fine-tuned and run smoothly with maximum productivity as she sets her standards high and her squads meet them without fail. Area coaches consult Dewanna as a leader and infinite resource. Because of her love for cheerleading, enthusiasm and dedication, Dewanna was selected as East Tennessee's Cheer Coach of the Year.

Dewanna Glover

The Middle Tennessee Coach of the Year award was given to Donna Brasher. Donna Brasher has been a leader and coaching cheerleading at David Lipscomb High School for 20 years. She directs the schools entire cheerleading program (football and basketball) for middle school through high school along with teaching in the Family and Consumer Science Department and the Business Department and maintaining the school's athletic website for the coaches. Donna coordinates her coaching staff, the budget, transportation, and all other aspects of the entire cheerleading program. With the controversy that sometimes surrounds cheerleading during tryouts, Donna exhibits grace and fairness to everyone involved. In the past, her squads have competed in the Clinic Bowl Cheer Competition and the TSSAA State Cheerleading Competition. Donna Brasher was selected as the Middle Tennessee Cheer Coach of the Year because of her dedication, leadership and professionalism.

Donna Brashear

The West Tennessee Coach of the Year was awarded to David Byars of Martin. David Byars is the principal and has been the cheerleading coach at Westview High School for 12 years. He has also coached football and girls basketball during his tenure. David uses his coaching talents to engineer his girls to the exact specifications of championship athletes. He spends many hours and weekends with practice and competitions. David's cheer squads have won the Clinic Bowl State Championship 1992- 1996, 1999 and 2000 and the TSSAA State Cheerleading Championships in 1997 and 1999. His squads have also competed at the Universal Cheerleaders Association National Championship in Orlando, Florida and have been nationally ranked 10 out of 12 years. David has coached 74 All American/All Stars, and has won the NCA National Championship in 1994-1995 and a UCA National Championship in 2003-2004. Many of his athletes have gone on to receive Division I scholarships in cheerleading and dance. David Byars was selected as West Tennessee's Cheer Coach of the Year because of his timeless efforts as both an administrator and coach at Westview High School.

David Byars

Congratulations to all three-award winners! Thank you for all your support and dedication to student-athletes across the state of Tennessee.

2005 SPRING FLING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, May 24, 2005 – Session 1
Tennis – Hutchison (DII Team) – 8:00 A.M.; 9:30 A.M.; 2:00 P.M.
Baseball – Bartlett High School (A); Bolton High School (A); Gagliano Field (AA) University of Memphis (AA); Millington (AAA); Christian Brothers High School (DII); Briarcrest (DII) – 10:00 A.M.
Tennis – Hutchison (A-AA Team) – 11:00 A.M.; 12:30 P.M.; 4:00 P.M.

Tuesday, May 24, 2005 – Session 2
Baseball – Millington (AAA) – 5:00 P.M.
Baseball - Bartlett High School (A); Bolton High School (A); Gagliano Field (AA) University of Memphis (AA); Christian Brothers High School (DII); Briarcrest (DII) – 6:00 P.M.
Softball – Greenbrook Softball Complex - 5:00 P.M.

Wednesday, May 25, 2005 – Session 1
Tennis – Rhodes College (AAA Girls Team) – 8:00 A.M.; 2:00 P.M.
Tennis – Rhodes College (AAA Boys Team) – 9:30 A.M.; 2:00 P.M.
Tennis – Hutchison (DII Singles & Doubles) – 11:00 A.M.; 4:00 P.M.
Tennis – Hutchison (A-AA Singles & Doubles) – 12:30 P.M.; 4:00 P.M.
Baseball – Bartlett High School (A); Bolton High School (A); Gagliano Field (AA); University of Memphis (AA); Millington (AAA); Christian Brothers High School (DII); Briarcrest (DII) – 12:00 P.M.
Softball – Greenbrook Softball Complex – 10:00 A.M.

Wednesday, May 25, 2005 – Session 2
Soccer – Mike Rose Soccer Complex – 4:00 P.M.; 4:30 P.M.; 6:30 P.M.; 7:00 P.M.
Softball – Greenbrook Softball Complex – 5:00 P.M.

Thursday, May 26, 2005 – Session 1
Tennis – Hutchison (AAA Singles & Doubles) – 8:00 A.M.; 12:00 P.M.
Girls' Track & Field – Briarcrest (3200 & Field Events) – 9:00 A.M.
Tennis – Hutchison (A-AA & DII Singles & Doubles) – 10:00 A.M.
Softball – Greenbrook Softball Complex – 10:00 A.M.
Baseball – Bartlett High School (A); Bolton High School (A); Gagliano Field (AA) University of Memphis (AA);Millington (AAA); Christian Brothers High School (DII); Briarcrest (DII) – 12:00 P.M.

Thursday, May 26, 2005 – Session 2
Softball – Greenbrook Softball Complex – 5:00 P.M.
Girls' Track & Field – Briarcrest (Running Events) – 5:00 P.M.
Soccer – Mike Rose Soccer Complex – 6:30 P.M.; 7:00 P.M.

Friday, May 27, 2005 – Session 1
Tennis – Hutchison (AAA Singles & Doubles) – 9:00 A.M.
Boys' Track & Field – Briarcrest (3200 & Field Events) – 9:00 A.M.
Softball – Greenbrook Softball Complex – 10:00 A.M.
Baseball – USA Stadium @ Millington (Class A Championship) – 10:00 A.M.
Baseball – USA Stadium @ Millington (Class AA Championship) – 1:00 P.M.
Baseball – USA Stadium @ Millington (Division II Championship) – 4:00 P.M.
Baseball – USA Stadium @ Millington (Class AAA Championship) – 7:00 P.M.

Friday, May 27, 2005 – Session 2
Softball – Greenbrook Softball Complex – 5:00 P.M.; 5:30 P.M.; 6:00 P.M.; 6:30 P.M.
Boys' Track & Field – Briarcrest (Running Events) – 5:00 P.M.

Saturday, May 28, 2005
Softball – TBA (Games, if necessary) – 10:00 A.M.
Soccer – Mike Rose Soccer Complex (Class A-AA Championship) – 12:00 P.M.
Soccer – Mike Rose Soccer Complex (D-II Championship) – 2:30 P.M.
S**occer** – Mike Rose Soccer Complex (Class AAA Championship) – 5:00 P.M.

More detailed schedules as well as brackets and other important information concerning Spring Fling can be found on our website at: www.tssaa.org.

2005 BLUECROSS SPRING FLING FACT SHEET

EVENT: BlueCross Spring Fling TSSAA Division I and II Spring Sports Championships Sponsored by BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee

LOCATION: Memphis, Tenn.
Baseball – USA Stadium (Millington); University of Memphis, Gagliano/Sowell Fields, Briarcrest High School, Christian Brothers High School, Christian Brothers University.
Softball – Greenbrook Softball Complex (Southaven, MS)
Soccer – Mike Rose Soccer Complex
Track – Briarcrest High School
Tennis – Hutchison School and Rhodes College

DATES:
Baseball – Tues.-Sat., May 24-28, 2005
Softball – Tues.-Sat., May 24-28
Soccer – Thurs.-Sat., May 26-28
Track – Thurs.-Fri., May 26-27
Tennis – Tues.-Thurs., May 24-26

CHAMPIONS CROWNED:
35 total champions crowned in five days
Baseball – A, AA, AAA, Division II
Softball – A, AA, AAA, Division II
Soccer – A-AA, AAA, Division II
Boys Track – A-AA, AAA, Division II
Girls Track – A-AA, AAA, Division II
Boys Tennis – A-AA, AAA, Division II for team, singles and doubles
Girls Tennis – A-AA, AAA, Division II for team, singles and doubles

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:
Athletes – more than 4,200
Softball – 32 teams
Track – Over 1,500 athletes from more than 100 schools
Baseball – 32 teams
Soccer – 24 teams
Tennis – 24 teams

TICKETS: Daily tickets are $6 with an all-day wrist band available for $10.

About the BlueCross Spring Fling
BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee is proud to partner with the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) as sponsor for the BlueCross Spring Fling, Tennessee's high school spring sports championships. BlueCross supports healthy competition and encourages athletes to work hard and play fair by not using performance-enhancing drugs. Promoting healthy competition is one more way BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee provides peace of mind to millions of Tennesseans.

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WHISTLE NOTES

LOOSEBALL!

This is my 17th year for a "Looseball" collection of notes, thoughts, and ideas from the past year. (April 2004 - April 2005). This is my 20th year with TSSAA…That is hard to believe in itself… Seems almost like yesterday when I was hired… Since starting on a 100 day contract last March, it has been suggested that "Looseball" now be titled, "Part-time comments from a part-time person"… Always enjoy State Basketball Tournament … Responsibilities will focus on soccer and football… Spring sports season is still very hectic and no one understands that spring in our state is still winter – except the spring sports coaches, players, and parents…Very different not being in the office everyday, but okay… "You can't count to 100," much less work 100 days…" That's twice what you did on full contract!" (comment from close friend)… With more time to reflect – I wonder why kids don't play pick up games where they choose sides anymore?... Really have plenty to do outside of the office to stay busy... Unfortunately, we still have voice mail, fax, and email... The Spring Fling in Memphis in May is exciting! It is hard to imagine the number of coaches, participants, and volunteers that are involved. Track is the most unbelievable production... Summer was relatively quiet, preparation for fall girls' soccer and football... You just can't find a Brownie Chocolate or a NuGrape soda anymore... I don't believe I have to login again... Really do enjoy not having to go into office everyday… There are just not enough athletic scholarships available to fill the egos of parents... Still glad to be involved and hopefully needed... You know, I hope TSSAA does not have to sanction computer games as a sport... Things have changed!... What did we think would happen to kids when we eliminated mandatory P.E. in the schools?... Communities still have so much heritage and tradition to be proud of – too bad they have lost their high schools... I really like my part-time job; hope I don't mess it up... Do some schools really start August 1st?... With so much pre-season practice in July and August, should we start season later, have fewer games, reduce play-offs, and finish earlier?... Just a thought... You know the old roads are probably better than the interstates. There is so much to see... Have you eaten at Bozo?... Still do not think players and coaches truly respect the games they get to play... or they would act differently... Several years ago, I realized that parents can be one of our biggest problems... Have you tried Litton's?... Obesity?... Imagine that!... Oh, they can fix a computer... It is still about participation... Fundamentals must be taught… Respect for the game and those involved is the foundation... Principals should run the schools. Many now, however, do not have athletic background... Betsy & Taylor Beck, March 5, 2005!... Being involved with the state basketball tournaments is a pleasure... Jordan attended her 4th Boys State Basketball Tournament at three years old... Cheerleaders are still an untapped leadership resource... Have not met a cheerleading crew that could not handle a problem in the student cheering section when asked... Adult fans are a different story... It is amazing to me how unsportsmanlike some adults were at this year's state basketball tournaments. I wonder what their daughters thought of them?... Athletics is still only part of the total education program. We must keep it that way... I hope I don't mess this job up!.

Reminder to All Officials

We will be mailing renewal registration cards for the 2005-06 school year this May. Please remember that it is your responsibility to register for the upcoming school year by the June 1st deadline. If you do not receive a renewal card, please contact our office. The registration fee for the first sport in which you register is $50. The registration fee for additional sports is $25 for each sport. The registration fee for the first sport, after the June 1st deadline, is $60 and $35 in all additional sports. There is no late fee for a first time official.

This issue of the NEWS will recognize the officials who worked the state championship series during the winter in wrestling and basketball.

2004 DUAL MEET STATE WRESTING TOURNAMEN TOFFICIALS

Tim Abel	Kenny Alexander
Stan Croxdale	Eddie Davis
Paul Douglas	Danny Gilbert
Ricky Lowry	David McGinley

2004 STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Tim Abel	P. A. Bowler
Chris Coover	Mike Craft
Don Elsea	Jack Faircloth
Jack Gallagher	Danny Gilbert
David Heffington	Ken Mara
David Marking	Gerald Muncie
Jeff Ruffalo	Jim Simpson
Pete Stafford	Tim Stafford
Jon Swindle	Eddie Davis
Walter Vineyard	Scott Williams
Jim Zink	Steve Craig

2005 TSSAA GIRLS STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Chuck Arnold	Richard Church
James Davis	Philip Freels
Phillip Hester	Daniel Marsh
Pete Norville	Paul Ritchie
Charles "Bo" Simpson	Jeffrey Smith
Ingus Stigler	Richard West

2005 TSSAA BOYS STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Dan Boykin	Brian Carpenter
Freddie Carpenter	Johnny Cox
Dwayne Eubank	Gregory Geren
Reno Hall	Rick Hammond
Jack Hill	Danny Leasure
Bart Lyon	Samuel Northcutt, Jr.
Robert Perkins	Doug Strong
Marvin Taylor	Mike Trussell
Keith Wish	Cole Womack

TSSAA would like to congratulate and recognize the officials listed below for their years of service in officiating high school sports in the state of Tennessee. We appreciate their support and dedication to high school sports in the state of Tennessee. TSSAA will recognize the recipients of the 5 year awards in this issue of the NEWS. The recipients of the 10, 15, 25, 40, and 50 year awards were recognized in earlier issues this year.

OFFICIALS RECEIVING 5 YEAR AWARDS

ACUFF, JEREMY H	NEW MARKET
ADAMS, MATTHEW	MOSS
AIRALL, CLAUDE	MURFREESBORO
ARMSTRONG, BEN	GERMANTOWN
ASHLEY JR., JESSIE W.	FINLEY
AYRES III, WILLIS E	MEMPHIS
BALLARD, TOMMY	DAYTON
BARGER, BRAD	LEXINGTON
BARNES, KYLE	KNOXVILLE
BARRETT, TROY	ATHENS
BARRIER, ARLEN "ART"	SMYRNA
BATTLE, WALTER	BROWNSVILLE
BICKLEY, ROWDY	RINGGOLD
BIGHAM JR, WILLIAM	CLEVELAND
BLAKE, LANDARIA	MEMPHIS
BOOKER, KAREN L.	NASHVILLE
BOONE, DAWANA W.	WHITES CREEK
BOSHERS, DON H.	MT PLEASANT
BOSHERS, MICHAEL	NASHVILLE
BOWEN, KELVIN	MEMPHIS
BOYD, KAREN	CHATTANOOGA
BRASHER, GREGORY	ADAMSVILLE
BROWN II, FINESS	MURFREESBORO
BUCHANAN, DENNIS R	MT JULIET
BURKLEY, JAMES	BOLIVAR
BYRD, BRIAN	TIPTONVILLE
CALDWELL, TRAVIS	CHATTANOOGA
CALLOWAY, CARLOS	NASHVILLE
CARTER, CHRIS L	HENDERSONVILLE
CARTER, WAYNE	CLEVELAND
CASTRO, VICTOR	DICKSON
CHANCE, JIM D	LORETTO
CLARK, MITCH	PULASKI
CLAY, DARRYL	CHATTANOOGA
CLAY, GEORGE M	MEMPHIS
CLINE, TODD	NEWPORT
COOPER, ANDREW	INDIAN MOUND
COOPER, MARK	MEMPHIS
COPELAND, RICHARD	KNOXVILLE
COPPEDGE, CHRIS	GERMANTOWN
CRAWFORD, WILLIAM	MORRISTOWN
CRAWLEY, CHARLES M	PARSONS
CREECH JR, ROBERT	COLUMBIA
DAVENPORT, PHILIP	ROGERSVILLE
DAVIS, KEVIN	SAVANNAH
DAVIS JR, EDDIE G.	SIGNAL MOUNTAIN
DENNETT, DOUGLAS	HIXSON
DIEGEL, WARREN	HIXSON
DIXON, STEVE	SEVIERVILLE
DOSS, BOBBY	DAYTON
DOUGLAS, GEORGE S	CLARKSVILLE
DUKE, CHRIS	LIVINGSTON
DUNN, JASON	CARUTHERSVILLE
DYE, KAREN	FAYETTEVILLE
ELROD, JR, DEAN	KINGSPORT
ESCUE, EDDIE	ASHLAND CITY
EVANS, JAMES	MEMPHIS
FORD, DALE	JONESBOROUGH
FOX, MICHAEL	NASHVILLE
FRANZ, ANTHONY	SMYRNA
FREEMAN, CHARLES	MEMPHIS
GARRISON, ALAN	DAYTON
GENTRY, MACK	KNOXVILLE
GOSSETT JR, BOBBY R	CHATTANOOGA
GREER, JR, KEN	OAK RIDGE
GRISWELL, JEFFREY	BETHEL SPRINGS
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MR AND MISS BASKETBALL

Winners and finalists of the 2005 Mr. and Miss Basketball Awards Presented by the Memphis Grizzlies were honored at the conclusion of the each classification's championship game.

The presentation of the Mr. and Miss Basketball Awards for Division II were on Saturday, March 5 at Allen Arena on the campus of Lipscomb University.

The presentation of the Miss Basketball Awards for Division I, Classes A, AA, and AAA were given during each championship awards ceremony for each class on Saturday, March 12 at the Murphy Center on the campus of Middle Tennessee State University.The presentation of the Mr. Basketball Awards for Division I, Classes A, AA, and AAA will be given during each championship awards ceremony for each class on Saturday, March 19 at the Murphy Center on the MTSU campus.

MISS BASKETBALL 2005 FINALISTS

DIVISION I, CLASS A

Jessica Bobbitt
Peabody

Kristal Edney
Perry County

LaCondra Mason
Chattanooga Christian

DIVISION I, CLASS AA

Latoya Bellamy
Westview

Brandi Brown
York Institute

Bianca Thomas
Chester County

DIVISION I, CLASS AAA

Latoya Bullard
Craigmont

Alysha Clark
Mt. Juliet

Cait McMahan
Heritage

DIVISION II

Sarah Baker
Harpeth Hall

Alliesha Easley
Briarcrest

Melissa Liebschwager
Briarcrest

MR. BASKETBALL 2005 FINALISTS

DIVISION I, CLASS A

Nicchaeus Doaks
Peabody

Daniel Puckett
McEwen

Caleb Skogen
Temple

DIVISION I, CLASS AA

Willie Kemp
Bolivar Central

Tyler Smith
Giles County

Thaddeus Young
Mitchell

DIVISION I, CLASS AAA

Reginald Delk
Jackson North Side

Charles Little
Cleveland

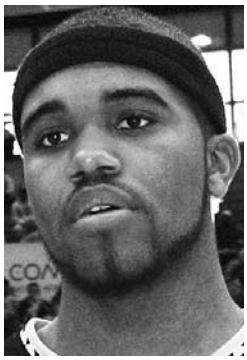
J.P. Prince
White Station

DIVISION II

Jonathan Adams
Baylor

Michael Oher
Briarcrest

Brandan Wright
Brentwood Academy

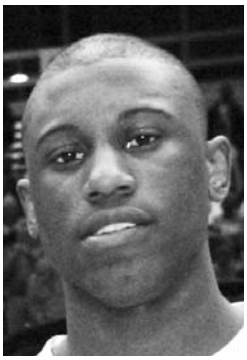


CLASS A

KRISTAL EDNEY - Perry County High School *Head Coach: David Lee*
Jr., 5-9, G. A three-year starter who averages 21 points, 3.1 rebounds, 2.0 assists, and 2.7 steals per game. She shoots 45% from the field, 37% from threepoint range, and 80% from the free-throw line. She was named to the All-District and All-District Tournament teams both as a freshman and sophomore. Kristal was named to the All-Region, TSWA All-State, and All-State tournament teams as a sophomore. For her career she has scored over 1,600 points for an average of 17.6 points per game. She is a member of the Beta Club and is ranked in the top 15 of her class with a 3.69 GPA.

NICCHAEUS DOAKS - Peabody High School *Head Coach: Clint Sisco*
Senior, 6-7, center/forward. A three-year starter who averages 21.7 points, 13.5 rebounds, 3.2 assists, and 4.0 steals per game. He shoots 68.5% from the field, 41.3% from three-point range, and 74.3% from the free-throw line. He has been named to the All-District and All-Region teams his sophomore, junior, and senior seasons. Nicchaeus passed the 1,000-point mark in his career and was an All-State Honorable Mention selection last year as a junior. He set his career high for points in a game this season with 45 points and is a McDonald's All-American nominee. He is a member of FCA and Junior Rotary at Peabody.

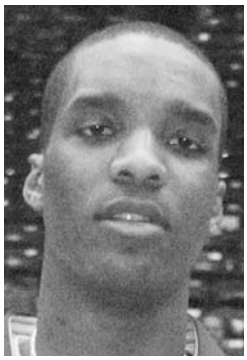
CLASS AA



BIANCA THOMAS - Chester County High School *Head Coach: Lee Pipkin*
Jr., 5-11, G. A three-year starter whoaverages 23.5 points, 8.2 rebounds, 4.1 assists, and 2.8 steals per game. She shoots 65% from the field, 49.8% from three-point range, and 75.2% from the free-throw line. She has been named to the All-District and All-Region teams both as a freshman and sophomore. She was named All-District MVP as a sophomore. Bianca passed the career 1,000-point mark during her sophomore season and currently has over 1,800 career points. Career totals include 20.9 points and 7.6 rebounds per game. She is a National Honor Roll student and a member of Beta Club, FCA, and Spanish Honor Society.

THADDEUS YOUNG - Mitchell High School *Head Coach: Jerry Johnson*
Junior, 6-8, point/center. A three-year starter who averages 23.6 points, 12.2 rebounds, 6.1 assists, 4.3 steals, and 2.3 blocks per game. He shoots 67% from the field and 77% from the free-throw line. He has been named to the All-District, All-Region, All-District tournament, and All-Region tournament teams each year since he was a freshman. Thaddeus was named the Commercial Appeal Athlete of the Year as a sophomore and was an All-State selection as well. He is ranked by some publications as one of the top 10 high school players in the nation and is ranked in the top five for the class of 2006. He is a member of National Honor Society and has received Principal's List recognition (4.0 or above) since his freshman year.

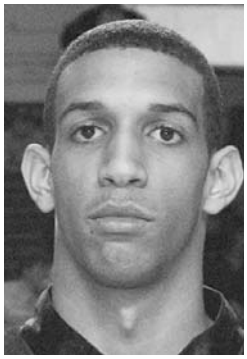
CLASS AAA



ALYSHA CLARK - Mt. Juliet High School *Head Coach: Chris Fryer*
Sr., 6-0, F. A three-year starter who averages 25 points, 12.2 rebounds, 1.5 assists, and 1.4 steals per game. She shoots 67% from the field and 78% from the free-throw line. She was named to the All-District tournament team as a sophomore, junior, and senior. She was named the District 9-AAA MVP as a junior and senior as well as the All-Region tournament team both as a sophomore and senior. She is listed by Who's Who Among American High School Athletes and is a National Honor Roll student with a 3.9 GPA.

J.P. PRINCE - White Station High School *Head Coach: William Warren*
Senior, 6-7, guard. A two-year starter who averages 24.2 points, 5.6 rebounds, 3.2 assists, and 2.2 steals per game. He shoots 58% from the field. As a junior he was named MVP of the region 8-AAA tournament and was a member of the all-tournament team at the 2004 state tournament. J.P. has been named to the Parade All-American team and is a McDonald's All-American nominee. He was one of 10 high school seniors in the nation recently named to the USA Basketball Men's Junior Select National Team.

DIVISION II



SARAH BAKER - Harpeth Hall High School *Head Coach: Karen Schwartz*
Sr., 6-0, G/F. A four-year starter who averages 16.4 points, 6.2 rebounds, 3 assists, and 3 steals per game. She shoots 47.7% from the field, 41.6% from behind the arc, and 80.9% from the free-throw line. She has been named to the all-tournament team at the state tournament in 2002, 2003, and 2004. Sarah has been named to the All- Region team four times and was the All-Region MVP in 2004 and 2005. She was named to the TSWA All-State team in 2004. She received the Nashville Civitan Club Sportsmanship Award in 2004 and was named to the Tennessean All-Midstate team in 2003 and 2004. She was the winner of the Miss Basketball award in 2004. She is a Honor Roll student, senior class Vice- President, and carries a 3.6 GPA.

BRANDON WRIGHT - Brentwood Academy *Head Coach: George Pitts*
Jr., 6-9, F/C. A three-year starter who averages 20.0 points, 10.0 rebounds, 5.0 blocks, 2.0 assists, and 2.0 steals per game. He shoots 63% from the field, 37% from behind the three-point arc, and 75% from the free-throw line. He has been named the MVP of the Middle Region for Division II in 2003, 2004, and 2005. In three seasons he has over 1,700 career points. Brandan was named the MVP of the Division II state tournament during both his freshman and sophomore seasons. He won the Division II Mr. Basketball Award in 2004.

Linden's Three-Year Run 1955-57

By Gene Pearce

1955– The Run Begins

Only a few weeks had passed since Linden's best basketball team ever had lost to Kingsport Dobyns-Bennett in the second round of the 1954 State tournament at Vanderbilt's Memorial gymnasium in Nashville. Coach Willie Hudson had made two previous trips to the State and he was convinced his team was the best of the Sweet Sixteen assembled. Kingsport defeated the Perry Countians, 57-55, in the quarterfinals and lost to LaFollette, 51-40, in the semifinals. Cinderella Nashville West won the championship, 42-40, in another of its come-from-behind miracle finishes.

The loss to Kingsport was the first in twenty-nine games for Linden. There was only one senior on the team, so everyone except All-Stater McCoy Kilpatrick was back to the grind in April. Linden did not participate in football, baseball, or track, so Coach Hudson began spring basketball practice with some informal softball games, mostly as a prelude to the incessant running before finally moving into the gym. James "Brother" Cotham would be a senior in the fall. He had lost his starting job to freshman Gene Paschall, but he knew he would be back in the starting lineup for the 1954-55 season. He also knew there was no reason why he and his teammates couldn't win the state championship that slipped through their hands just a few weeks earlier.

Head Coach Willie Hudson

"In 1955, I wasn't afraid of anybody," Cotham said. "There wasn't a single player or a single team I was worried about." The 1955 team would have four seniors—Cotham and captain Eugene Grinder at guard, center Ben Rutledge, and reserve center-forward Ezra Duncan. Cotham, Grinder, and Rutledge would be joined by starters Paschall and junior Albert Ellison, who was destined to be recognized as one of Tennessee's greatest basketball players and the most dynamic performer in the history of the TSSAA's State championship series. This team would march through the 1954-55 season by posting a won-loss record of 35-2 and win its first of three straight State championships with a revenge victory over Kingsport at Memphis State. Linden with only 167 students in four grades was not the first school to knock off one of Tennessee's big schools. In fact, the feat was fairly common. Names like Purdy, College Grove, Lenoir City, Henderson, Soddy-Daisy, Humboldt, and Selmer preceded Linden in this pre-classification era as state champions. However, most conclude that Willie Hudson's band of farm boys from Linden winning three consecutive State basketball titles is the greatest feat in Tennessee high school sports. Before you can win three in a row, one has to win the first.

As hard as Coach Hudson worked his players, when school was out, his players gave no thought about basketball. In the 1950s, basketball wasn't being played year around. In Perry County, when school was out, most of the students could look forward to long hours in the fields. Farming is a twelve-month season and most of Linden's players were destined to a summer of hard work. Year-after-year the 21st District was one of, if not, the toughest districts in Tennessee. There were nine schools in the 21st and only five of them played football. Linden, one of the non-football schools, was always one of the first schools in the state to open the basketball season.

Linden had won ten games in a row before losing to Lawrenceburg, 49-41, a few days before Christmas in 1954. Linden was averaging 70 points a game and winning by an average margin of 35 until the Lawrenceburg Wildcats burst the bubble. Ellison was averaging 28 points, but he was limited to 16 points. Rutledge made only seven. Coach Leonard Staggs of Lawrenceburg used two men on each of these Linden aces and utilized the fifth as a "floater" on the other three Perry County players. Linden led 27-23 at the half, but trailed 37-31 after three periods. Suddenly, Lawrenceburg was the team to beat in the 21st District.

The following week in the Parsons Invitational, Linden defeated Parsons, 74-34; Middleton, 50-49; and lost to Lexington, 50-47. After fifty years to reminisce, everybody on Linden's team (including some who didn't get in the game) takes credit for guarding Middleton's Bailey Howell, who would make All-America at Mississippi State and after a great professional career be inducted into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame, the only male from Tennessee to be so honored.

"Your job is to keep him away from the basket," Hudson told reserve center Don Wade. "That was easier said than done," Wade remembers. "Bailey Howell, great Middleton star, was fairly well bottled up by the zone defense and the outstanding work of one of Tennessee's finest centers, Ben Rutledge," Jack Hilliard of The Jackson Sun wrote January 2, 1955. Normally, Hudson's teams played man-to-man. "Rutledge, the best team player seen in many years, was cool and calm throughout the torrid contest, and had position under the boards on almost every play. "The final quarter was one that had the fans in a frenzy. The lead changed hands five times,

Coach and his starting five (Top to bottom) Coach Willie Hudson, Albert Ellison, Ben Rutledge, Eugene Grinder, Gene Paschall, James "Brother" Cotham

but with three and a half minutes left, Linden led, 50-45. Linden went into its freeze. It almost back-fired, but the Perry Countians held on to win, 50-49. Linden ended Middleton's 14-game winning streak as Howell was held to 16 points. It was thought that both these teams would be found in the State tournament scheduled for March at Memphis State College. Memphis Treadwell would upset Middleton, 64-60, in the semifinals of the Region VIII tournament and then lose to Selmer, 74-63, in the finals. When Howell's season ended, he had scored 1,186 points, setting a new Tennessee single-season record.

#8 Albert Ellison vs. Treadwell in second round of the state tournament

"When we played Middleton, I stole the ball and was laying it up on the board," Cotham said. "The next thing I remember was a loud whack. Bailey Howell came up from behind and hit the ball. It landed about four rows up in the stands."

In the finals, center BoJack Bowman scored 25 points as Lexington defeated Linden, 50-47. Linden had led 28-20 at the half and 41-31 at the end of three quarters, but Lexington outscored Linden, 19-6, in the fourth. Rutledge fouled out with four minutes remaining in the game. Hudson was not a happy camper after the game."My relationship with Coach Hudson was as good as with any of the coaches," Gill Gideon, the retired TSSAA (Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association) executive director, said of his duels with Linden when Gill was the coach at Lexington. "When you competed against him and Coach Oman (Tury Oman, Jackson High School), you were playing against the top dogs and you were trying to beat 'em. We upset him in a Christmas tournament at Parsons the first year he won the State tournament. That was the only time I ever saw him upset about a game. He said, 'We gave you that one, but we'll never give you another one.' You know how it is when you get beat."

After the Lexington defeat, Hudson's team would win the next 23 without a loss and had only two close games, a squeaker with Loretto in the district semifinals and the four-point win against Kingsport in the State finals. The closest games for the remainder of the regular season were Lexington, 69-55 (14 points) and Lawrenceburg, 51-40 (11 points). The last game before the district tournament was with Loretto, Linden winning 72-36. Earlier Linden beat Loretto, 62-41, on the road. In the 21st District tournament at Centerville, Linden defeated Hohenwald, 51-25, in the first game, scraped by Loretto, 33-31, in overtime in the semifinals, and beat Lawrenceburg, 70-59, for the championship. Loretto played a delayed stall throughout the game, waiting for Linden to make a defensive error. The score was tied for the last three minutes and 41 seconds of the game. In the three-minute overtime, Rutledge tipped to Ellison, who scored the winning points on a straightaway shot.

In Region VI at Lawrenceburg, Linden beat BGA, 64-49 (15 points); Campbellsville, 69-34 (35 points); and Lawrenceburg, 62-46 (16 points). In the State, Linden beat Treadwell, 79-65 (14 points); Holston Valley, 73-63 (10 points); Clarksville, 54-35 (19 points); and Kingsport, 52-48 (four points).

Before leaving for Memphis, Hudson, a stickler for preparation, knew his team would face Treadwell and its zone press defense. This was something relatively new for Tennessee basketball. Mack Chandler, who had played basketball and baseball at Lobelville and later at Austin Peay, was the coach at Sardis. His team had played Treadwell earlier in the season. Coach Hudson called Mack. Chandler made some suggestions on how to attack this new defense. On Sunday afternoon before leaving the following day for Memphis, the team met at the gym. To his best ability, Coach Hudson explained the defense and how they would attack it.

"I remember that practice before the Treadwell game," Cotham said. "It was long and hard with a lot of pressure on the guards. About halfway through it, everything in my stomach came up. We had a little lobby in the front of our gym and I vomited all over the lobby floor. I rinsed my mouth out and went back to playing. We didn't have any trouble at all. If you move the ball well, you can beat the zone press, or any other kind of press. We always handled the ball well and we were in good shape, but that day I lost it."

The Treadwell game was a rock 'em, sock 'em affair, much like Linden practices. Ellison and four Treadwell starters fouled out. The Eagles committed thirty fouls, many appearing to be intentional. Ellison and Rutledge left the game with injuries. Ellison scored 35 before fouling out with 4:55 to play, just when he was in sight of the tournament's one-game scoring record. Rutledge left shortly afterward, having scored 18 points, 16 in the first half. Treadwell was never in the second half, but sent the two Linden aces to the sidelines. Two Eagles rode Ellison into the goal supports and sprained his wrist on a fast-break crip shot attempt. Rutledge's knee was injured as a Treadwell player deliberately threw a hip into Ben as he drove for the hoop. A photograph of the spill appeared in newspapers across Tennessee and as far away as the Daily Mirror in New York.

When Ellison fouled out, he was replaced by senior Ezra Duncan. "He (Ezra) would always say, 'If it hadn't been for you I would have been All-American,'" Ellison said years later. "That year he could have started for every team we played. "Ellison, a high school coach for over forty years, said Rutledge would not be allowed to play today, however in 1955 Rutledge was not going to be denied. Linden did not play on Wednesday and this gave him another 24 hours to rest.

Against Holston Valley in the quarterfinals, Rutledge hobbled up and down the court. Ellison made 11 of 21 shots from the field and 13 of 19 free throws. Paschall scored 19 points and Rutledge scored 13 in addition to holding high-scoring Billy Smith to 25 points. The Holston Valley All-Stater ended his high school career with 1,145 points and a 32.7 per game average for the season. Rutledge left the game with about a minute remaining. Coach Willie Hudson called it a "five-man zone" that his team used against Smith. The '54-55 season was the coming of age for the 1,000-point scorer. Howell (1,086), Smith (1,145), Selmer's Jim Hockaday (1,056), and Trenton Peabody's Don Berry (1,005) all accomplished the feat. Milan's Charlie Mayo was the first with 1,009 the previous year.

"They had to put a cast on his leg and he ran up and down the court stiff-legged," Ellison said of Rutledge. "We would have to wait for him to get under the basket. He could jump up-and-down, but he couldn't jump from side-to-side." In the semifinals against Clarksville, Ellison added 20 rebounds to his 16 points scored, giving him a total of 86 for three games.

#6 Gene Paschall

Kingsport was a daunting opponent in the finals. An opening-round injury to guard David Lionberger prevented Coach Guy Crawford from sending a team against Linden that averaged over six feet, three inches in height. Lionberger, 6-2 guard, was injured in the first-round game with Selmer. He played in the championship game, but 5-8 Carl Bell was the starter and the team still averaged 6-2 per man. Kingsport's other starters were forwards Bruce Wilder (6-5) and Jim Taylor (6-3), center Stan Johnson (6-5), and guard Bill Greene. Linden countered with Ellison (6-4) and Gene Paschall (6-1) at forwards, Rutledge (6-3) at center, and guards Eugene Grinder (6-1) and Cotham (6-0).

It was a battle between the largest school in the tournament, Kingsport (1,070 students), and the smallest, Linden (167). Linden's record for the season was 35-2 and 61-3 for the past two seasons. Fans at the tournament assumed Linden had been using a slow deliberate style all season. Nothing

was further from the truth. The offense was slowed because it was the only way possible for Hudson to keep Rutledge in the lineup. "After Ben got hurt we had to play slow so that he could get down the floor," Hudson said. What is strange, is that Kingsport never went to an up tempo game to take advantage of Rutledge's lack of mobility. It must be assumed Coach Crawford's team did not possess this ability.

(L-R) Gene Paschall, Ben Rutledge, Albert Ellison

"Stan Johnson killed us with his hook shot," Rutledge said of Linden's 1954 State tournament loss. "I don't know how many points he scored (21 points), but it was a bunch. We had a ten-point lead and we lost it in the last five minutes or so. At Memphis, I told him he was going to be lucky if he got a point. Ellison and Rutledge double teamed Johnson and held him to three points. "Johnson made three points in the final game and old Ben made two of them," Paschall said. "On a rebound, if you can't control the ball, you knock it back on the board in order to get another chance at it, but it went in."

Ellison scored 11 of Linden's 14 last-quarter points, finished with 26 for the game and grabbed 22 rebounds. He made 35, 35, 16, and 26 points for a tournament high 112, led the tourney with 70 rebounds, and finished the season with 894 points scored.

Linden, the overwhelming crowd favorite, led Kingsport, 20-6, at one point in the second quarter and left the floor at the half with a commanding 30-22 lead. Linden went suddenly ice cold at the start of the second half. Linden missed its first seven field goal attempts and Kingsport scored 14 straight points to go ahead, 36-30, and led 42-38 at the beginning of the fourth quarter. Things appeared bleak for Linden as guard James Cotham fouled out with 3:33 on the clock.

In 1954, the Indians used a freeze to beat Linden, but in '55 it was their undoing. Kingsport began guarding the ball with a three-point lead. The key play for Linden came with 2:21 remaining when Dobyns-Bennett's Bill Greene carried the ball back across the center line and Linden quickly broke Ellison open for an easy crip shot. After Greene made two free throws with 1:20 remaining, he charged into Linden's 5-10, 130-pound sophomore guard, Billy Roberts, in the back court. Roberts had replaced Cotham in the game. Roberts sank both shots and it was all over.

Ellison's 112 points were six more than was scored by record-holder Buddy Cruze of Knoxville East on the same court in 1952. The All-State tournament team included Ellison (most valuable player) and Rutledge of Linden, Johnson and Jim Taylor of Kingsport, James Hockaday of Selmer, C. B. Fletcher and Ken Morris of Clarksville, Billy Henry and Jerry Bostic of Lenoir City, and Billy Smith of Happy Valley. The skilled performance of Ellison and the courage of Rutledge would long be remembered by Memphis basketball fans.

"I'm not sure, but based on what I later learned," Dr. Ben Rutledge said of his injury, "I think I had a ligamentous injury, but not a severe tear. I probably should not have played. I had problems with it for a good long time. I just wanted to play. I also went to Campbell Clinic and Dr. Bland Cannon looked at it." Bill (Snake Doctor) Williams, ex-North Nashville High School athlete who was Memphis State's trainer, was given credit for Rutledge being able to play. "He certainly did a fine job on Ben's knee," Hudson said on Monday following the Kingsport game. "He wrapped it a little differently Saturday night and Ben was in better shape than he was the other two nights." Williams estimated he used 60 feet of tape on Rutledge's knee in the three games.

Linden's championship team wasted little time exiting Memphis. The team and an estimated 750 boosters who made the trip to Memphis for the final game made a "fast break" to Perry County, arriving about 4 a.m., to an obvious sleepy town. Cars were lined up on Highway 100 for as far as the eye could see in front and behind the vehicles carrying Coach Hudson and the team. Linden, the county seat, had a population of less than 900.

"I bet there weren't 25 people in town Saturday night," Sonny Kirk, who operated the town's only ambulance, said. Radio reception was very poor and many who had not made the trip to Memphis drove their cars to a hill on Highway 100 west of Linden where the reception was better. "It looked like a drive-in theater," Kirk added.

Larry Munson, the great voice of Georgia Bulldogs football, was with Nashville's clear-channel WSM in 1955. With Ben hobbling up and down the court, Munson's unique voice would ring out, "One-l-a-a-g Rutledge scores again," to the delight of all of Linden.

Shortly after Sunday church services, the crowd began to gather at Greyhound Grill, the town's center for sports gatherings. Coach Hudson brought the huge championship trophy and it was placed in the center of the café for all to admire. Mayor Jack Daniel presented the key to the city to little Billy Roberts, who received the token on behalf of his teammates. Dr. O. A. Kirk, the town's only physician and perhaps the team's No. 1 supporter, was among the congratulators. There were no speeches, just the warm, friendly handshakes and words of congratulations by each of the

#6 Gene Paschall, #10 Ben Rutledge vs. BGA in Region 6 Tournament at Lawrenceburg

crowd who wanted personally to greet each member of the team. "Nothing like this has ever happened to this town," D. C. Kirk, another staunch supporter, said. He, like so many others, commuted to Memphis every time the Black and Gold played. "It's taken us 1,955 years to win this trophy," another well-wisher said. "We probably should celebrate for at least a month."

Mayor Daniel promised the team a big fish fry on Kentucky Lake and

From left, kneeling, Bobby Roberts, Ezra Duncan, James "Brother" Cotham, Albert Ellison, Eugene Grinder, Ben Rutledge, Gene Paschall, Dan Edwards; standing, from left, Manager Scott Duncan, Tommy Bastin, Tom Godwin, Dwight Lomax, Lincoln Lineberry, Don Wade, Roy Bunch, Ben Southerland, Billy Roberts, Coach Willie Hudson. -- Photo from Perry County High School, Linden

Linden old timers promised they would never brag about the good old days again. Individuals made their fishing camps available to team members and merchants bestowed them with everything from ball-point pens to a gallon of Midwest-Golden Royal ice cream from Godwin Drug Store. After three hours, the crowd of 300 supporters broke up. It was going to be back to the books for Linden's champions. One of the players was heard to say: "You know it won't be long 'til spring basketball practice starts."

Why did the team return home immediately after the game? In order to save another night's hotel bill probably. "We just wanted to breathe some of that good Perry County air just as soon as possible," Ellison said.

Hudson's starting lineup was the same all year long, exclusive of injury and sickness. Seniors Rutledge, Grinder, Cotham, and Duncan would graduate, but seniors-to-be Ellison and Dan Edwards and juniors-to-be Paschall, Lincoln Lineberry, and Billy Roberts would be the nucleus for the 1956 State championship team. Other 1954-55 squad members were seniors Bobby Roberts and Roy Bunch and sophomores Don Wade, Tom Godwin, Tommy Bastin, and Ben Southerland. The manager was junior Scott Duncan, Ezra's brother.

Ellison with 1,008 points and a 39.65 per game average became the sixth male in state history to join the 1,000-Point Club when Linden won the 1956 championship at Vanderbilt. Hudson's nicknameless Black-and-Gold warriors defeated Nashville Hillsboro for the title, ending the season with a 34-2 record and 98-5 for three seasons. In 1957, again Linden beat Kingsport in the finals.

Linden Mayor Jack Daniel with the 1955 team. Mayor Daniel is presenting a key to the city to Billy Roberts. Back Row (L-R) Dwight Lomax, Dan Edwards, Albert Ellison,Eugene Grinder. Front Row (L-R) Ezra Duncan, Don Wade, Ben Rutledge, Gene Paschall, James "Brother" Cotham.

In 1956 Ellison was named All-America. He again was the State tournament's most valuable player and the first of only two players ever to be named All-State tournament three times before classification. Alcoa's David Marsh in 1965-67 was the other player.Willie Hudson died in his sleep in 1963, just a few weeks after the end of the basketball season. He had been the boys' basketball coach at Linden since 1939, exclusive of two seasons he missed during World War II. He won a Bronze Star while serving in the Pacific. After his death, Hudson was inducted into the Freed-Hardeman Sports Hall of Fame, Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame, and the TSSAA (Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association) Hall of Fame. Hudson's only job was at Linden, where he had graduated. For several years, he was principal, math teacher, and the coach of four teams—girls' and boys' at the high school and elementary school. Records are incomplete for his early years, but over 650 wins by the high school girls' and boys' teams have been verified.

Picture of Willie Hudson, three state championship trophies, retired jerseys of Gene Paschall (#6) the only person to start on four state tournament teams and one of two people from Linden that played on all three state championship teams, #8 Albert Ellison

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2005-2006 REGIONAL RULES MEETINGS

2005-2006 WRESTLING RULES AND MECHANICS MEETINGS

Wednesday, Oct. 19	7:00 p.m.	Memphis, Memphis University School
Thursday, Oct. 20	7:00 p.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School
Monday, Oct. 24	7:00 p.m.	Morristown, Morristown West High School
Tuesday, Oct. 25	7:00 p.m.	Chattanooga, Notre Dame

2005-2006 BASKETBALL RULES AND MECHANICS MEETINGS

Oct. 3	10:00 a.m.	Middle School Coordinators' Meeting	TSSAA
Oct. 4	9:00 a.m.	Supervisors' Meeting	TSSAA
Oct. 5	6:00 p.m.	Chattanooga	Notre Dame High School
Oct. 6	6:00 p.m.	Shelbyville	Shelbyville High School
Oct. 9	2:00 p.m.	Memphis MUS (Coaches)	
	4:00 p.m.	MUS (Officials)	
Oct. 10	6:00 p.m.	Dresden	Dresden High School
Oct. 11	6:00 p.m.	Jackson	Union University
Oct. 12	6:00 p.m.	Smithville	DeKalb Co. High School
Oct. 17	6:00 p.m.	Gray	Daniel Boone High School
Oct. 18	6:00 p.m.	Morristown	Morristown Recreation Center
Oct. 19	6:00 p.m.	Knoxville	Knoxville Central High School
Oct. 20	6:00 p.m.	Nashville	Hunters Lane High School

2005-2006 TRACK RULES MEETINGS

Monday, Jan. 23	7:00 p.m.	Chattanooga, Notre Dame High School
Wednesday, Jan. 25	7:00 p.m.	Gray, Daniel Boone High School
Thursday, Jan. 26	7:00 p.m.	Knoxville, Webb School
Monday, Jan. 30	7:00 p.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School
Wednesday, Feb. 1	7:00 p.m.	Memphis, Memphis University School
Thursday, Feb. 2	7:00 p.m.	Jackson, Union University
Monday, Feb. 6	7:00 p.m.	Murfreesboro, Riverdale High School

2005-2006 SOFTBALL RULES AND MECHANICS MEETINGS

January 9	7:00 P.M.	DeKalb Co. High School, Smithville, TN
January 11	7:00 P.M.	Daniel Boone High School, Gray, TN
January 12	7:00 P.M.	Webb School of Knoxville, Knoxville, TN
January 18	7:00 P.M.	Board of Education, Memphis, TN
January 19	7:00 P.M.	Union University, Jackson, TN
January 23	7:00 P.M.	Hunters Lane High School, Nashville, TN
January 25	7:00 P.M.	Notre Dame High School, Chattanooga, TN
January 26	7:00 P.M.	Marshall Co. High School, Lewisburg, TN

2005-2006 TENNIS RULES MEETINGS

Monday, Jan. 23	5:00 p.m.	Chattanooga, Notre Dame High School
Wednesday, Jan. 25	5:00 p.m.	Gray, Daniel Boone High School
Thursday, Jan. 26	5:00 p.m.	Knoxville, Webb School
Monday, Jan. 30	5:00 p.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School
Wednesday, Feb. 1	5:00 p.m.	Memphis, Memphis University School
Thursday, Feb 2	5:00 p.m.	Jackson, Union University
Monday, Feb. 6	5:00 p.m.	Murfreesboro, Riverdale High School

2005-2006 VOLLEYBALL RULES MEETINGS

Monday, August 1	5:30 p.m.	Franklin Road Academy, Nashville
Tuesday, August 2	5:30 p.m.	University School of Jackson, Jackson *Officials Clinic and Rules Meeting
Wednesday, August 3	5:30 p.m.	St. Agnes Academy, Memphis
Thursday, August 4	5:30 p.m.	Columbia Central High School, Columbia
Monday, August 8	5:30 p.m.	Dobyns-Bennett High School, Kingsport
Tuesday, August 9	5:30 p.m.	Webb School, Knoxville
Wednesday, August 10	5:30 p.m.	East Ridge High School, Chattanooga
Thursday, August 11	5:30 p.m.	Cookeville High School, Cookeville

* Regular Rules Meeting and a two-hour Officials' Clinic

CLOSED BOOK EXAM - Check with your local association for site and time

CLOSED BOOK MAKE-UP EXAM - Check with your local association for site and time

2005-2006 CHEERLEADING RULES MEETINGS

Tuesday, Sept. 20	5:00 p.m.	Gray, Daniel Boone High School
Wednesday, Sept. 21	5:00 p.m.	Knoxville, Webb School of Knoxville
Thursday, Sept. 22	5:00 p.m.	Chattanooga, Notre Dame
Monday, Sept. 26	5:00 p.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School
Tuesday, Sept. 27	5:00 p.m.	Memphis, Memphis University School
Wednesday, Sept. 28	5:00 p.m.	Jackson, USJThursday, Sept. 29 5:00 p.m. McMinnville, Warren County

2005-2006 BASEBALL RULES MEETINGS

January 18	6:00 p.m.	Memphis, Memphis University School
January 19	6:00 p.m.	Jackson, University School
January 23	6:00 p.m.	Lewisburg, Marshall County High School
January 25	6:00 p.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School
January 26	6:00 p.m.	Chattanooga, Notre Dame High School
January 28	9:00 a.m.	Gray, Daniel Boone High School
January 28	2:00 p.m.	Knoxville, Fulton High School
January 29	2:00 p.m.	Cookeville, Cookeville High School

The TSSAA Baseball Umpire's Camp will be held in Knoxville on January 27-29, 2006. There will be umpires' clinics in Nashville, Memphis, and Jackson on the dates and times listed above at those sites. At all umpires' clinics, there will also be a rules meeting for coaches.

2005-2006 SOCCER RULES MEETINGS

Tuesday, July 26	5:00 p.m.	Memphis, Board of Education
Wednesday, July 27	5:00 p.m.	Jackson, USJ
Thursday, July 28	5:00 p.m.	Shelbyville, Shelbyville Central High School
Monday, Aug. 1	5:00 p.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School
Tuesday, Aug. 2	5:00 p.m.	Chattanooga, Notre Dame High School
Wednesday, Aug. 3	5:00 p.m.	Knoxville, Knoxville Central High School
Thursday, Aug. 4	5:00 p.m.	Gray, Daniel Boone High School

2005-2006 FOOTBALL RULES AND MECHANICS MEETINGS

Monday, July 25	7:00 p.m.	Martin, UT Martin Student Center
Tuesday, July 26	7:30 p.m.	Memphis, Board of Education
Wednesday, July 27	7:30 p.m.	Jackson, USJ
Thursday, July 28	7:30 p.m.	Shelbyville, Shelbyville Central High School
Monday, Aug. 1	7:30 p.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School
Tuesday, Aug. 2	7:30 p.m.	Chattanooga, Notre Dame High School
Wednesday, Aug. 3	7:30 p.m.	Knoxville, Knoxville Central High School
Thursday, Aug. 4	7:30 p.m.	Gray, Daniel Boone High School
Monday, August 8	7:00 p.m.	Gordonsville, National Guard Armory
Tuesday, August 9	7:00 p.m.	Clarksville, Richview Middle School
Wednesday, Aug. 10	7:00 p.m.	Athens, McMinn County High School
Thursday Aug. 11	7:00 p.m.	Oak Ridge, Jefferson Middle School

2005-2006 GOLF RULES MEETINGS

Wednesday, March 29	5:30 p.m.	Memphis, Memphis University School
Thursday, March 30	5:30 p.m.	Jackson, Union University
Monday, April 3	5:30 p.m.	Gray, Daniel Boone High School
Tuesday, April 4	5:30 p.m.	Knoxville, Webb School
Wednesday, April 5	5:30 p.m.	Chattanooga, Notre Dame High School
Monday, April 10	5:30 p.m.	Nashville, Hunters Lane High School
Tuesday, April 11	5:30 p.m.	Smithville, DeKalb County High School
Wednesday, April 12	5:30 p.m.	Lewisburg, Marshall County High School

2005-2006 BOWLING RULES MEETINGS

Mon, 08/01/05	5:30 p.m.	Memphis University School - Wonderlick Aud. - Memphis
Tue, 08/02/05	5:30 p.m.	University School of Jackson - Football Field House - Jackson
Wed, 08/03/05	5:30 p.m.	Columbia Central High School - Columbia
Thu, 08/04/05	5:30 p.m.	Hermitage Lanes (Lebanon Rd.) - Nashville
Mon, 08/8/05	5:30 p.m.	Sevier County High School - Library - Sevierville
Tue, 08/9/05	5:30 p.m.	Notre Dame High School - Chattanooga