

THE COACHES' COMMENT

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You Are Invited *CCGS 50th Anniversary Celebration*



CCGS, originally known as the Colorado Women's Coaches Association, had its first meeting in April of 1970. We will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary on Saturday, March 21, and hope you will be able to attend.

When: Saturday, March 21, 2020

Time: 3:30 - 5:15pm

Reception providing appetizers and a cash bar

Where: Doubletree Inn, 8773 Yates Dr., Westminster 80030

RSVP to Laura Fischer: ljfischer100@comcast.net or 303-909-9221 by March 1

Then president, Helen McCall, wrote an article for the Coaches Comment titled: "CWCA—A Pressure Group?"

"It's been said that this (CWCA) is nothing more than a pressure group. It is not intended to be; **but**,

- If pressure means improving the girl's sports programs,
- If pressure means offering officiating and skill improvement clinics'
- If pressure means improving communication among ALL levels,
- If pressure means representing the opinions of coaches,

Then, yes, maybe we are a pressure group!"

Why we celebrate some might ask. Here are a few of the article titles in the first Coaches Comment, Nov 1970: Organizing Girls' Swim Team; Why Not Girls' Competitive Golf?; Good Coaching is Good Teaching; GAA Sponsors All Girls' Sports Activities at Arvada West HS, Making Haste Slowly: High School Girls' Sports in Colorado; and Pro's and Con's of Team Scores. Speaking of the Pros and Cons, many of our younger team sport coaches may not have thought a thing about a Team Scores. They just assumed it should be. Not so quick. Back in the day when CHSAA was determining whether or not sanction team sports, they thought it might be best is we didn't keep score. They also thought that schools should divide up their players and play together... what a nice girly thing to do! So one team might have Ranum, Westminster, and St. Mary's players all on the "same team." Their opponent might have been Northglenn, Brighton, and Englewood. The coaches kept the score of their players to determine who won the game and have a single game winner, for example Northglenn might have won the game because their players scored the most points of all of the players. Can you believe that?! Looking back, Colorado girl's sports has a dicey history and "We Have Come A Long Way Baby"!

Our 50th celebration will be held prior to the CCGS All-State Basketball Games Banquet which includes the 2020 Helen McCall Coach of the Year and the Ruby Miller Scholarship winners. If you would like to stay and attend the banquet please send your reservation to Laura Fischer, ljfischer100@comcast.net **By Mach 10**. The cost is \$30.00 payable to CCGS.

Ruby Miller Scholarship Application Due Feb. 12

Basketball Ballots Due Thursday, Feb27

Basketball Selection Meeting, Sunday, March 15, Skyview HS 9:30

Basketball All-State Games, Sunday, March 22, Broomfield HS

2019 CCGS Hall of Fame Inductee, Leslie Moore, Denver Public Schools

Leslie Moore was a fixture at DPS for almost 40 years as a teacher, coach, district supervisor, director of girls athletics and district athletic director. Moore, a Colorado native, graduated from Thomas Jefferson HS and earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from Western State College in Gunnison. She began her career as a teacher and a coach later moving into administration. Moore concluded her career in 2008 after 10 years as district athletic director and served as the district's Title IX coordinator.

During her time as district athletic director, Moore worked with bond committees and contractors to fund and install artificial turf fields at each high school and to build swimming pools at schools across the district. She worked with Denver Parks & Rec to build the first all-city softball facility for females. Moore was the first assignor to utilize female officials for boys basketball games and led the state in introducing three-person officiating crews for basketball.

Moore made significant contributions at the state level contributing to the Colorado Athletic Directors Assoc. and CHSAA. One of the first post-Title IX female athletic administrators, Moore served on the CADA Board from 1990-2011 and served as the treasurer for 16 yrs. She was chair of the Finance Committee & a member of the CADA Planning Committee.

Upon being elected to the CHSAA Executive Committee in 1994, Moore became the first woman in 75 yrs. to be chosen president in '96. She later served another term on the Executive committee ('02-'05). She served on the CHSAA state tournament and seeding committees in track, basketball, softball, volleyball, tennis, and gymnastics, while hosting hundreds of regional & state playoff games. She was appointed to the CHSAA Volleyball and Gymnastics Committees and was a track official for 10 years. Moore was a Board member of the Girls in Golf Program for 16 years.

Nationally, Moore was a member of the NIAAA Board of Directors ('04-'07) and served on the NIAAA Credentials Committee for six yrs., including one yr. as the chair. She also chaired the Operations Subcommittee for the third NIAAA Strategic Plan Committee '08-'09. In 2010, Moore was inducted into the DPS Hall of Fame and the CHSAA Hall of Fame. She was Colorado Athletic Director of the Year in '96, NIAAA State Award of Merit in '97, Sportswomen of Colorado Contribution to Sport Award in '98, NFHS Citation in '01, Kurby Lyle CADA Service Award in '02, Athletic Director of the Year by CHSAA in '03, CCGS Helen McCall Award winner in '05, Dave Sanders Award winner in '05, and in '16 was inducted into the NIAAA Hall of Fame.

Leslie Moore was an original member of the Colorado Women's Coaches Association (CCGS) and has been an active role model for many girls and women in Colorado.

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CCGS Ruby Miller Scholarship

Purpose: Colorado Coaches of Girls Sports (CCGS) wishes to recognize one or more outstanding female athletes who are graduating high-school seniors and who plan to go into the coaching of girls' sports.

Scholarship Award: One to four awards of \$1,000 each will be presented at the All-State Basketball Games Banquet each year in March.

Scholarship Procedure: Nominations are to be submitted on the official CCGS entry form. Copies may be made for distribution to qualified applicants. An **official transcript** (including first semester of the senior year) and **two letters of recommendation** (only one of which may be written by a coach) must accompany the application. Decisions of the scholarship committee are final.

Applicant Requirements:

1. Applicant must plan a career in the coaching of girls' sports.
2. Applicant must be a graduating high-school senior with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 after the first semester of her senior year.
3. Applicant must be a girl who has competed in sanctioned CHSAA sport(s) and is a resident of Colorado.
4. Applicant must plan to attend an accredited college or university.
5. Applicant must submit completed application by February 12 in the calendar year of the award.

COPIES OF BOTH PAGES (SIDES) MAY BE MADE FOR DISTRIBUTION TO QUALIFIED ATHLETES. BE SURE TO COPY BOTH PAGES (SIDES) AND READ BOTH PAGES (SIDES) CAREFULLY.

APPLICATION, TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT MUST BE RECEIVED AS A PACKET BY CCGS BY FEBRUARY 12 OF THE YEAR OF THE AWARD.

COLORADO COACHES OF GIRLS SPORTS RUBY MILLER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT/ATHLETE APPLICANT:

NAME _____ Date of Birth _____ E-mail _____
STREET ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____
HOME PHONE _____ HIGH SCHOOL NAME _____ CUM. GPA _____
SCHOOL COUNSELOR OR ADMINISTRATOR _____ PHONE _____
PARENT(S): _____ WORK PHONE _____
_____ WORK PHONE _____

ATHLETIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS (high school only, grades 9-12):

OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR (school/community) ACTIVITIES, HONORS, ATHLETICS:

ACADEMIC AND CAREER GOALS:

REASONS FOR DESIRING TO COACH:

THIS APPLICATION, LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT ARE TO BE RECEIVED AS A PACKET BY FEBRUARY 12.

**MAIL TO:
CCGS Ruby Miller Scholarship
Attention: Mary Kvamme
6483 Nile Ct.
Arvada, CO 80007**

Include additional pages, if necessary.

COLORADO COACHES OF GIRLS' SPORTS
ALL-STATE BASKETBALL BALLOT

This ballot can be downloaded online at <http://colocgs.org/basketball> select "All-State ballot"

LEAGUE: _____ CLASSIFICATION: 1A 2A 3A 4A 5A (circle)

LEAGUE REP: _____ HOME PHONE: _____ CELL: _____

SCHOOL: _____ WORK PHONE: _____ (IMPORTANT)

E-MAIL: _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

Faxes must be received by **Thursday Feb 27th**

1. Nominate six outstanding senior athletes in your league. Indicate in order of preference. Make sure to rank them 1-6. No ties! Make sure you have the correct rankings!

NEW – 1 Ballot Per League REGARDLESS of multiple classification

2. Form must have signatures from each coach in order to be valid

3. Fax 1A/2A forms to David Huss, (970-522-0209) or e-mail to hussd@re1valleyschools.org;
Fax 3A forms to Merci Ames, Strasburg HS (303-622-6921) or email mames@strasburg31j.com
Fax 4A/5A forms to Chris Kemm – Email Only - ckemm@mwcua.com

4. Make sure to have a representative at the selection meeting **Sunday, March 15th at 9:30 am.**
NEW*** Meeting will be held at *SKYVIEW HIGH SCHOOL* 8990 York St., Thornton, CO 80299

5. Please make sure the girls are going to actually be in town for the game and practice!

6. Practice (Broomfield HS) and Banquet (Double Tree) will be held **Saturday March 21st**

7. The All-State Games will be held at Broomfield High School on Sunday March 22nd

8. Any questions **call Merci Ames** at: (303)-622-9211 x 811 or **David Huss** (970) 520-3522 or **Chris Kemm** (720) 256-6672

NAME	SCHOOL	POSITION	(athlete) PHONE #/E-MAIL
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COACHES SIGNATURES

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PLEASE SEND OR FAX THIS FORM BY THURSDAY February 27th

