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NFHS Awards Citations to Eight Athletic Directors

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INDIANAPOLIS, IN (November 19, 2012) — The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) will award NFHS Citations to eight high school athletic directors December 17 in San Antonio, Texas, during luncheon festivities at the 43rd annual National Athletic Directors Conference sponsored jointly by the NFHS and the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association.

NFHS Citations are presented annually to outstanding athletic directors in recognition of contributions to interscholastic athletics at the local, state and national levels. State associations nominate athletic directors for NFHS Citations, and the NFHS Board of Directors approves recipients.

This year's award winners are **Andy Chiles**, CMAA, athletic director, Lake Nona High School, Orlando, Florida; **Dr. Carol Chory**, CMAA, retired student activities

coordinator, Kempsville High School, Virginia Beach, Virginia; **Tim Graham**, CMAA, athletic director, Tumwater (Washington) High School; **Dennis Kiah**, CAA, athletic administrator, Brewer (Maine) High School; **Larry Moglestad**, CAA, activities director, Boone (Iowa) Community Schools; **Michael Purdy**, CAA, executive director, Nebraska State Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association, Bellevue, Nebraska; **Cindy Riley**, CAA, director of athletics, Desert Christian High School, Tucson, Arizona; and **Diane Shuck**, CMAA, assistant principal/athletic director, Air Academy High School, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Following are biographical sketches on this year's NFHS Citation recipients:

Andy Chiles, CMAA, Orlando, Florida

Andy Chiles, CMAA, is the athletic director of Lake Nona High School in Orlando, Florida, a position he has held since the school opened its doors in 2009. Chiles began his career in athletic administration in 2000 as the athletic business manager at Felix Varela High School in Miami, Florida. In 2004, he became the school's athletic director and served in that role for five years before moving to Lake Nona.

Chiles began his career in secondary education in 1987 as a teacher and coach at Miami (Florida) Sunset High School. He coached basketball and golf at Sunset, and then moved to the collegiate level as an assistant basketball coach at Barry University in Miami Shores, Florida.

After joining the Varela High School staff, Chiles quickly became active in state and national organizations. He was named to the Florida Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (FIAAA) Board of Directors in 2001, and he also served the FIAAA as a state coordinator for the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) Leadership Training Institute (LTI). In 2007, Chiles was elected

FIAAA president-elect and served as its president in 2008-09. Also at the state level, Chiles served on the Florida High School Athletic Association Athletic Directors Advisory Committee from 2006 to 2009, including a year as its chair in 2007-08.

Chiles' service to the NIAAA is extensive. He currently serves on the NIAAA Board of Directors as an at-large member, is a member of the NIAAA LTI National Faculty, and was the course chair for NIAAA Leadership Training Course (LTC) 705 from 2008 to 2011. He also served on the NIAAA Awards Committee from 2005 to 2011, including five years as vice-chair.

In 2005 and 2010, Chiles was a member of NFHS/NIAAA National Athletic Directors Conference Host Committee, and was a workshop presenter at the 2007 National Athletic Directors Conference. In 2009, he was a member of the NIAAA Blue Ribbon Panel, and in 2007, he received the NIAAA State Award of Merit.

Chiles earned his bachelor's degree from Radford (Virginia) University and his master's from Barry University.

Carol Chory, CMAA, Virginia Beach, Virginia

From 1979 until her retirement in 2010, **Dr. Carol Chory**, CMAA, served as student activities coordinator for Kempsville High School in the Virginia Beach (Virginia) City Public Schools System, except for a two-month period in 1995 when she was acting assistant principal.

An active member of the NIAAA since 1980, Chory served on the NIAAA Credentials Committee from 1998 to 2005 and was the Virginia representative for the NIAAA National Emergency Network. She also served as NIAAA state delegate from 1995 to 1997, was co-chair of LTC 510 from 2000 to 2003, and was a speaker at the 1998, 1999 and 2007 National Athletic Directors Conferences. Chory was a national field

hockey official from 1978 to 1991, and organized the NFHS Field Hockey Rules Book index in 1989.

A member of the Virginia Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (VIAAA) since 1984, Chory was treasurer (1987–93) and president (1995–97), and represented the VIAAA on the Virginia High School League (VHSL) Executive Committee (1990–92). From 2001 to 2004, Chory was vice–chair of the VIAAA Corporate Sponsor Committee, and she was chair or co–chair of the VIAAA State Conference Committee seven times, most recently in 2009.

Locally, Chory served Kempsville High School, the Beach District and the Eastern Virginia Athletic Directors Association (EVADA) in various ways. At Kempsville, Chory annually updated the parent athletic information handbook and student planner, and sponsored the Kempsville High School Blood Drive for the Red Cross from 1979 to 2010. Chory founded the EVADA and the Eastern Regional football program in 1986, and she served as the association's Web site chairperson from 2003 to 2010.

Among her honors, Chory was inducted into the Virginia High School Hall of Fame in 2007 and the Kempsville High School Hall of Fame in 2008. She received the John C. Youngblood Lifetime Achievement Award in 2009, the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award in 2004 and the NIAAA State Award of Merit in 1994.

Chory earned her bachelor's degree from Longwood (Virginia) College, her master's from the University of North Florida and her doctorate from Virginia Tech University–Tidewater Center.

Tim Graham, CMAA, Tumwater, Washington

Tim Graham, CMAA, athletic director of Tumwater (Washington) High School for the past 14 years, has been a leader in athletic administration at the local, state and national levels.

Graham has been involved in leadership roles with the NIAAA for a number of years. In 2011, he was elected as an at-large member to the NIAAA Board of Directors after serving on the NIAAA Publications Committee from 2001 to 2011, including six years as chair. Graham has represented Washington at the NIAAA Delegate Assembly on five occasions, and has been a National Athletic Directors Conference presenter five times. He serves on the LTC 703 national faculty and is a current member of the National Association of Sport and Physical Education Board of Directors.

At the state level, Graham was recently named to the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA) Executive Board and has been very active in the Washington Secondary Schools Athletic Administrators Association (WSSAAA). He has served on the WSSAAA Executive Board since 2004 and was president of WSSAAA in 2008-09. He was the conference chair for the 2008 WSSAAA state conference and currently serves on the District IV Board. At the league level, Graham is instrumental in organizing league schedules, alignments and mentoring. Twice he has been league president (2000 and 2005) and served as league secretary from 2001 to 2004.

Since 2001, he has been the WIAA Class 3A wrestling tournament director and has worked the football state finals since 1997. He has also served as local site manager for district events in basketball, football, soccer, track, volleyball and wrestling.

Graham was honored as the WSSAAA Athletic Administrator of the Year in 2005, and in 2006, was selected as the National Council of Secondary School Athletic Directors National Athletic Administrator of the Year. He also received the NIAAA State Award of Merit in 2010.

Dennis Kiah, CAA, Brewer, Maine

Dennis Kiah, CAA, has devoted more than 40 years to secondary education in the state of Maine. He began his career as a teacher and coach at Foxcroft (Maine) Academy in 1970 before moving to Brewer (Maine) High School in 1977.

Kiah continued to coach at Brewer, winning Maine Baseball Coach of the Year honors in 1988, before becoming assistant principal in 1990. In 1993, Kiah became Brewer's athletic administrator and remains in that position today. From 1995 to 2001, he had the additional duties of assistant principal.

At the state level, Kiah is very active in the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (MIAAA). He served eight years on the MIAAA Executive Committee, including a year as second vice president in 2003–04 and a year as president in 2004–05. Currently, Kiah serves on the MIAAA Athletic Administrators Mentoring Committee and is on the MIAAA teaching faculty for leadership training. He has been a presenter at numerous state athletic administrators conferences and hosted several regional and state championship events.

For the Maine Principals' Association (MPA), Kiah has served on a number of committees, including the Baseball/Softball Committee, the Status and Welfare Committee, the Athletic Administrators Advisory Committee, the Ad Hoc Ice Hockey Committee and the Ad Hoc Committee on Sports Season Policy. From 2003 to 2006, he was chair of the MPA Softball Committee. At the local level, Kiah served consecutive years as vice president and president of the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference (KVAC) in 2008–09 and 2009–10.

Kiah has been recognized numerous times for his excellence in athletic administration, including the NIAAA State Award of Merit in 2007, and the KVAC Distinguished Service Award in 2010. In 2011, he was named Bob Lahey Athletic Administrator of Year by the MIAAA, and earlier this year, was honored with the Gerry Durgin Excellence in Leadership Award. Also this year, Kiah was inducted into the Maine Sports Legends Hall of Honors.

Kiah earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Maine, Orono.

Larry Moklestad, CAA, Boone, Iowa

Since 1994, **Larry Moklestad, CAA**, has promoted interscholastic athletics as the activities director for the Boone (Iowa) Community Schools. During his time at Boone, the school has won 61 conference titles and two state championships, and since 2010, Moklestad has returned to the sidelines as a volunteer varsity football coach.

Moklestad serves a variety of organizations in Iowa, including the Iowa High School Athletic Directors Association (IHSADA). He was president of the IHSADA in 2002–03 and served as chair of numerous IHSADA committees at the district and state levels. Moklestad recently concluded a 14-year tenure as executive secretary of the Little Hawkeye Conference and was a member of the Iowa Football Coaches Association Board of Directors from 1993 to 1995.

Moklestad currently serves as the co-clerk of course for the Drake Relays, a position he has held since 1999, and is chair of the Tennis Advisory Committee for the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union. Moklestad has been a conference presenter on several occasions, including in 2005 at the School Administrators of Iowa Institute Conference,

and in 2001, he was a guest instructor on coaching and athletic administration at Iowa State University.

Nationally, Moklestad represented Section 4 on the NIAAA Board of Directors from 2007 to 2011, and was Iowa's delegate to the NIAAA Delegate Assembly in 2003 and 2004. Also at the national level, he served as a workshop moderator at the NFHS Summer Meeting in 2007.

Prior to joining the Boone Community Schools staff in 1994, Moklestad was a coach and athletic director for the Hampton–Dumont (Iowa) Community Schools for nine years and a teacher and coach in the Radcliffe (Iowa) Community Schools for six years.

Moklestad has been named coach of the year on several occasions as a football, boys track and girls basketball coach. As an athletic director, his honors include being named Iowa's Athletic Director of the Year in 2005, and in 2008, he earned the NIAAA State Award of Merit.

Moklestad earned his bachelor's degree from Wartburg (Iowa) College and his master's from Iowa State University.

Michael Purdy, CAA, Bellevue, Nebraska

After an outstanding 17-year career as activities director at Bellevue (Nebraska) East High School, **Michael Purdy, CAA**, has served as executive director of the Nebraska State Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NSIAAA) since 2004.

Purdy began his career as a teacher in 1974 at Bellevue (Nebraska) Logan Fontenelle Junior High School. He later served as dean of students, athletic director and assistant principal, and he also coached volleyball, basketball and track. Purdy, who received his bachelor's degree from Emporia (Kansas) State University and his master's from the

University of Nebraska, is active in the Bellevue community and received the Champions of Children Award in honor of his contributions.

Among his achievements at the state level, Purdy serves on the Nebraska School Activities Association's (NSAA) Sportsmanship Committee. He was membership coordinator for the NSIAAA Board of Directors from 1996 to 2001, and was NSIAAA president from 2002 to 2004, prior to assuming the position of executive director. As executive director, Purdy has assisted in developing the NSIAAA Strategic Plan and increased membership by creating a dual-membership program with the NIAAA.

Purdy, who has been a member of the NIAAA for 23 years, hosted many NSAA district contests at Bellevue East, served as tournament director of the NSAA State Baseball Championship and has worked the state track meet for 25 years. Purdy is a member of the National Executive Directors Council and formerly served on the NFHS/NIAAA Athletic Directors Advisory Committee.

He continues to serve the NIAAA as its Section 5 liaison and as Nebraska's delegate to the Delegate Assembly.

Purdy's dedication to interscholastic athletics at the local, state and national levels has earned him many accolades, including the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award in 2009. In 2002, Purdy received the NIAAA State Award of Merit and, in 2005, he was honored with the NSAA Distinguished Service Award.

Cindy Riley, CAA, Tucson, Arizona

As the director of athletics at Tucson (Arizona) Desert Christian High School since 1986, **Cindy Riley, CAA**, has devoted herself to the development of student-athletes and to state and national programs that help further interscholastic activities. In addition to her duties as athletic director, Riley also serves as the school's

activities/facilities coordinator and taught physical education and health from 1986 to 2005.

Within the Arizona Interscholastic Association (AIA), Riley recently served on the AIA Executive Board and was its president in 2010–11. She is a member and former chair of the AIA Ethics and Sportsmanship Committee, and in 2006–07 was the AIA 2A Conference president.

In addition, Riley is currently secretary of the Arizona Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (AIAAA). She began her involvement with the AIAAA as its secretary from 1995 to 1998 and served as president of the AIAAA Board from 1999 to 2001.

At the national level, Riley recently concluded her time on the NIAAA Awards Committee and has attended the NIAAA Delegate Assembly as the Arizona representative seven times. She is currently serving a term on the NFHS Softball Rules Committee.

In addition to her numerous committee memberships and executive board positions, Riley has received several awards and honors in recognition of her contributions to high school activities. Her first acknowledgement came in 1987 when she was named *Arizona Daily Star* and *Tucson Citizen* Division I Softball Coach of the Year. In 1999, Riley was named 1A Conference Athletic Director of the Year. In recognition of her high school athletic accomplishments, Riley was inducted into the Wells High School (Tucson, Arizona) Hall of Fame in 2008.

Riley, a graduate of the University of Arizona, has been honored nationally on two previous occasions – the NIAAA State Award of Merit in 2001, and the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award in 2008.

Diane Shuck, CMAA, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Currently the assistant principal and athletic director at Air Academy High School in Colorado Springs, Colorado, **Diane Shuck**, CMAA, has been serving her high school alma mater since 1992. Before her current positions, Shuck was athletic coordinator, student activities director, girls soccer coach, student government sponsor, and physical education and health teacher.

Shuck has devoted many hours to the Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSAA), including serving as site director for several state tournaments and on various sports committees. She is a member of the CHSAA Ice Hockey Committee and chair of the Spirit Committee. Among her other involvements at the state level, Shuck currently serves on the Colorado Athletic Directors Association (CADA) Board of Directors and is a former president of the organization. She was the state's Leadership Training coordinator for five years.

Nationally, Shuck is a lifetime member of the NIAAA and currently serves on the NIAAA Publications Committee. She was a member of the NFHS Citizenship/Equity Committee from 2009 to 2012 and also is an American Sport Education Program Bronze-Level Instructor for the Coaching Principles and Sport First Aid Education Program. A leader in the NIAAA Leadership Training Institute, Shuck has been a contributing author to LTC 627 and LTC 721, and has been a member of the national faculty for three other courses. In 2007, she was a member of the Blue Ribbon Panel.

Among her honors, Shuck earned the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award in 2010. In 2007, she was selected as CADA Athletic Director of the Year, and in 2008, she was named National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE) Central District Athletic Director of the Year. Shuck, who earned her CAA certification in 2003 and CMAA certification in 2006, received the NIAAA State Award of Merit in 2006.

An accomplished coach, Shuck was Colorado High School Soccer Coaches Association Girls Soccer Coach of the Year in 1996 and 1997, and *Rocky Mountain News* Girls' Soccer Coach of the Year in those same years.

Shuck is also an accomplished athlete. She was a four-year starter on George Mason (Virginia) University's women's soccer team and participated on the U.S. Soccer Youth National Team.

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