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Pay-Off Time

By Shane Matzen
Hard Court Herald Editor

Those of us involved in high school basketball are about to embark on what the casual fan thinks of as our holy grail: post-season play. For many of us it is what we strive for and spend sleepless nights watching film, soothing egos and balancing our classroom duties with to reach.

To my readers I must admit, I had a hard time coming up with a subject to write for this issue. I've always been a "big picture" guy (though many times it's after I've been burned by zeroing in on a particular concrete goal that I've failed at that I realize the "big picture" is somewhat important). For the "massive staff" here at the Hard Court Herald, this has traditionally been the toughest issue to produce and submit to the membership because we're intimately involved with preparations for February basketball. I'm typing this article as I sit at my computer on a quiet Saturday afternoon because I had a rare few hour period where I had my scout film work caught up and the wife and kids had relatives to visit, leaving me behind to either catch up on some much-needed nap time or else knock this article out and give you something to think about (let's hope what follows is worth my bleary, drooping eyelids!).

With in-season tournaments coming to an end, the conference races shaping up and district seed meetings being set on the calendar, there's not a one of us who don't dream of seeing our seniors hoist what I call "the big piece of wood" on the last night of the district tournament. As a player at Eldon High, I was fortunate enough to play on teams that made the district finals the three years of my varsity career, winning the "big one" once. I thought during those years that getting to that point was a birthright if you were an Eldon Mustang. After becoming a high school coach, it took just two years for my Elsberry team to make a district final (MSHSAA basketball events director Kevin Garner still owes me one for not letting my Indians hoist the 1st place plaque when his Clark County team defeated us by a measly five points back in '94!). A couple of years later as an assistant in my first year at Marquette under John David Pattillo, we won what was an expected piece of hardware and headed to the sectionals.

It's for what has happened the past ten seasons that I question whether I'm the person to write this article. I've had players at Marquette that I'll always care about deeply and could never re-pay for the effort and memories they've given me. I think and hope that opposing coaches would say that we've been a team over the years that you have to play well to beat. Unfortunately, we haven't been able to get back to the "Wood Game" during that time.

What does it take to have your players in a frame of mind to make a late-season run? Do you put equal emphasis on every game throughout the year? Do you chart your progress in terms of wins? Do you accept mistakes and miscues early to not burn your team out for the stretch run? Or, do you demand perfection at all times to rack up as many wins as you can to insure a favorable seed to have a chance to win a district tournament?.....I

expect it's all of these and none of these or maybe some of these. Confusing, you bet. I know I've turned it over in my head a million times trying to come up with the magic formula.

I suspect though it's a combination of what type of person you are as an individual and a coach. I also suspect you had better have a handle on each individual player and your team as a whole to know when to push and when to cut them some slack in order to let them make it through what we all have to agree can become the most grueling of all high school sports (though no doubt the most rewarding!).

I always tell our parents at the beginning of the year at our pre-season meeting that I'm going to be the best coach I've ever been for their sons. I also warn them that I have to apologize to them because next year's team will have a better coach (insert your joke here). I would appreciate some input on this. There are those of you out there who have been successful at grooming and guiding your teams through the four-month-plus grind that is our season and having them at their best at the end. If you have the time and means to share some ideas that you have come across or put to good use for our membership, send me an e-mail (hardcourtherald@hotmail.com). I would very much like to do a follow-up story on this subject involving ideas from our membership.

Before I end though, I'll hit you with the "mushy stuff." This has been said by better men than me, but it really rings true: It's the journey that is important, not the destination. I want that trip to the big game at the end probably as much if not more than anybody out there and I'm going to keep pushing and punching every button until I find the way to get there. But every group of young men I have is a chance to get to know them, get them to know each other and leave memories of a season to last them for a lifetime. There is no plaque for that. It's a trophy no one can ever break, tarnish or lose.



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Q&A with the Difference-Makers

Each issue of the Hard Court Herald we conduct an interview with a person who has made a difference in our sport in Missouri. This edition, it is an honor for the Hard Court Herald staff to welcome the all-time winningest college coach, Gene Bess of Three Rivers Community College, to our forum.



Gene Bess is in the middle of his 37th season as athletic director and head basketball coach at TRCC. His career record after the 2005-2006 season was 1001-259, figuring out to a winning percentage is 79.4%.

Coach Bess has been recognized as NJCAA National Coach of the Year twice, Regional Coach of the Year 17 times, and MCCAC Conference Coach of the Year 17 times during his tenure at Poplar Bluff's Three Rivers Community College. He is a member of the Poplar Bluff Sports Hall of Fame, Missouri Sports Hall of Fame, and National Junior College Hall of Fame. The new biography titled: "Gene Bess College Basketball's Winningest Coach" is available at www.genebess.com

Before Coach Bess came to Three Rivers, he had a very successful high school coaching career. He won 250 games over a 12 year stint at Lesterville High School, Anniston High School, and Oran High School. In his last season at Oran, his squad lost to Dixon 76-74 in the Missouri Class M high school championship. He served one year as assistant coach for Bob Cradic's 1970 TRCC team.

Hard Court Herald: Your career has obviously out-lasted most of your contemporaries. Most young coaches entering the profession all have long, fruitful careers in their plans but more often than not, coaches are leaving the profession early. What advice would you give someone starting out who wants to have a degree of longevity in this business?

Gene Bess: I feel that I've been truly blessed to be in situations where I've been able to coach. I coached twelve years in high school and was able to resurrect a couple of programs and by that time I was ready for a change. It was either high school administration or a college situation and I got blessed with a job at Three Rivers. I remember telling my wife to keep our bags packed because most coaches move on in five years. I have stayed here for 37 and each year has been a new challenge and each year is totally important. There are no rebuilding years in Junior College. You have to compete every year. Most coaches have to be prepared to move several times to have a career. There are so many obstacles that have to be overcome. I have had a wife that was in it with me for the long haul.

HCH: The emphasis on TRCC Raider basketball has always been about defense. At what point in your career were you able to say "I'm a defensive coach first" and what or who were your influences towards how you teach the game?

GB: When I first started coaching in high school I was wide open to defensive styles. In fact my teams ran all types of defenses. We ran zones, match-ups, and combinations. I finally settled on man to man defense when I realized it was more adaptable to all situations and great effort could be put to better use.

HCH: Poplar Bluff is somewhat off the beaten path. What have been some of the factors that have enabled you to bring some of the great players you've recruited to southeast Missouri and to the campus of Three Rivers in particular?

GB: A lot of the great players we have had were nonentities when they came in here. Latrell Sprewell had only played a year of high school basketball. Sunday Adebayo was an international player with limited skills. They both blossomed rather quickly. These are just a couple of examples and there have been many more that were similar cases.

HCH: In keeping with the theme of Poplar Bluff and Three Rivers....you have had success in this job at a rate not seen in basketball circles. No doubt there have been other opportunities for you to coach elsewhere. What has it been about your home and job that have made you want to stay in one place for so long?

GB: In retrospect, I would have probably been better off had I tried to move but at the times that I had opportunities none of them seemed as good as what I had.

HCH: What are factors that you look at in players you recruit that when you see them make you think: "I'd like to see this young man wearing a Raider jersey for me."

GB: We look for players that are talented enough to impact their high school team. By that I mean make their team a winner. Along with this they need to have character enough to handle the work load both on and off the court.

HCH: Finally, with all the success you've been able to enjoy at Three Rivers, do any particular moments, achievements and/or players stand out in your memory that might not be obvious to the casual fan who looks at your career from afar?

GB: The successes that stand out to me are when former Raiders go out and establish their lives in their careers and life after basketball.



Practice Drill of the Month

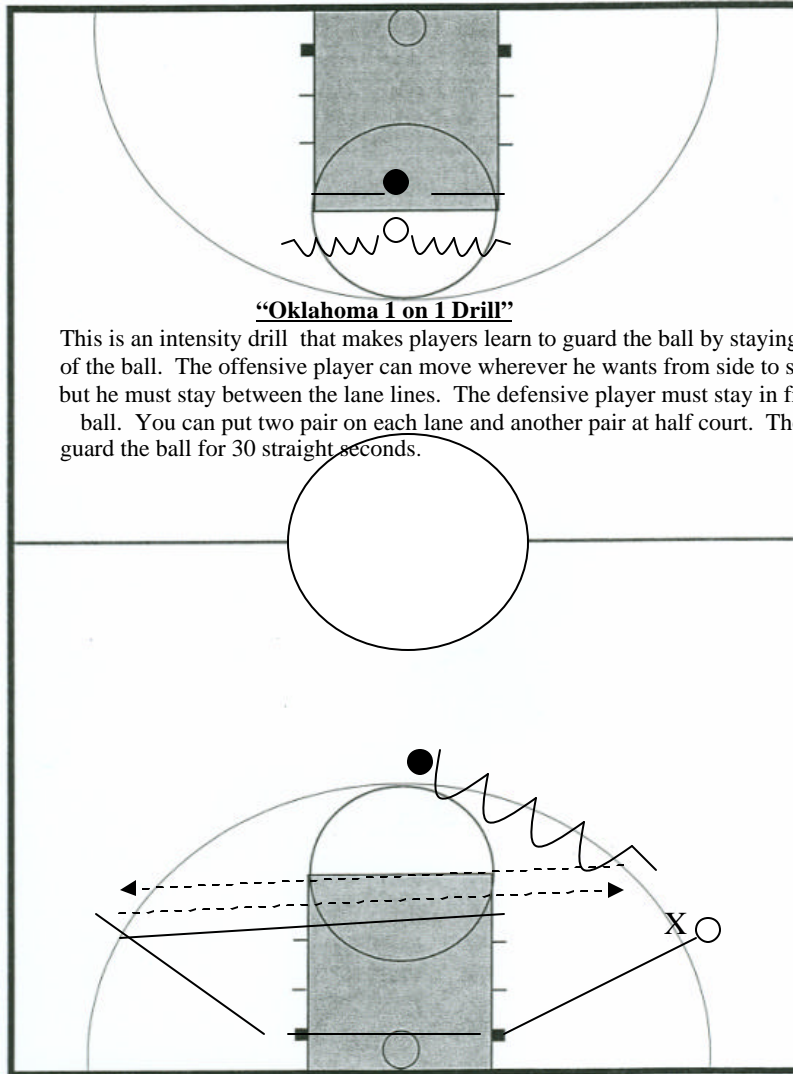
“Oklahoma 1 on 1 Drill”

“Defensive Denial Drill”

○ = OFFENSIVE PLAYER

X = DEFENSIVE PLAYER

● = COACH



“Oklahoma 1 on 1 Drill”

This is an intensity drill that makes players learn to guard the ball by staying in front of the ball. The offensive player can move wherever he wants from side to side, but he must stay between the lane lines. The defensive player must stay in front of the ball. You can put two pair on each lane and another pair at half court. They must guard the ball for 30 straight seconds.

“Defensive Denial Drill”

(see page 8 for details)

“Defensive Denial Drill”

This drill starts with the coach at the top of the key with a ball and an offensive player and defensive player at the wing. The defensive player will guard 7 different situations throughout the drill in the following order:

1. Deny the wing entry – offense will cut back and forth while defense is denying
2. Deny the backdoor – The coach will dribble at the wing and the offensive player will backdoor to the post position (low block)
3. Deny the post – Defense will start on top side denial. Coach will dribble to corner and defense will X step across front of post to low side denial. Coach will then dribble back up to wing and defense will X step back across to top denial.
4. Help on baseline drive – Offense will clear out to the opposite wing. As the defense is in help position in the middle of the lane, the coach will drive baseline and defense must close on the drive outside of the lane.
5. Close-out on skip pass – After drive baseline, the coach will skip the pass across the floor to the offense. The defensive player will have to close out to the wing from the help position. The offensive player will hold the ball above the head, take it down to triple threat, and then back above the head so the defense has to shift his feet.
6. Jump to help & Deny High Post flash – The offensive player will then skip the pass back over to the coach on the opposite wing. As the defense jumps to help in the middle of the floor, the offensive player will flash hard to the high post while the defense denies any pass. The defensive players goal is to make the offense catch the ball at the top of the key.
7. 1 on 1 from Top – Once the player catches the ball at the top of the key, the drill ends by the two going one on one until there is a score or a rebound.

If you have any questions OR if you have a practice drill you would like to share with members of the MBCA then send an email to lindberghhoops@sbcglobal.net.



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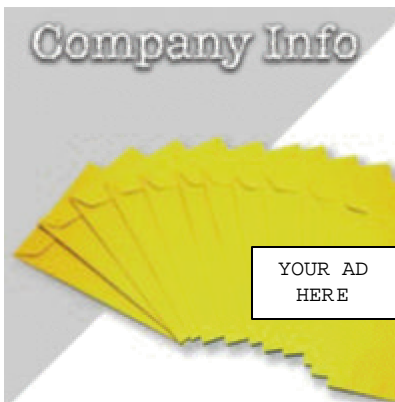
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The Little Things

By Jason Wolfard

Hard Court Herald Associate Editor

I figured I would make this a continued column in the Hard Court Herald. My goals for this column is to give coaches some ideas from others that don't pertain to X's and O's, but rather deal with the "other" situations or background things we deal with on a day to day basis. I would also like to have input from coaches around the state on ideas that have worked (or not worked) for them to share with other coaches. For example, you might have a great motivational idea for your team before a game; or you might know of a great way to recognize your team; or you might have a great way to handle a situation that has come up on your team.

For this issue, I asked a few coaches around the state for some ideas to work with and then added a couple of my own. Here is what we have for this edition of "The Little Things":

- **Player Handbook** - We gave our players a player handbook at the beginning of the season. It was a simple three ring binder with dividers in it. The players are required to take this binder up to practice every day and take them to away games. The sections in the handbook are for team rules, calendars, knowledge of the game they should have (i.e. – our reads off screens), motivational quotes, playbook, and career best stats. For the stats we keep track of shots in practice and look at their career bests while they have been at Lindbergh. Throughout the season we give them new handouts with reports, scouting reports, stats, plays, and other motivational stories. (*Jason Wolfard, Lindbergh High School*)
- **Recognizing Hard Work** - We have an actual hard hat from a construction site that we give out after wins. The player who had it from the last win gets to choose the next winner. In the locker room after I'm done talking, that player gets up and gives a short speech why he chose the person and it's then presented. It's become a tradition for us and something the guys look forward to. (*Shane Matzen, Marquette High School*)
- **Dealing with the player who causes trouble within the team** - With the troubled player -- my experience is like everyone else -- run, not start, suspend, -- but at some point the TEAM is first and when the coach and team spend all their energy on one guy it is no good -- I have had a player/parent meeting and define the behavior change that needs to happen and if it is not embraced or is not followed then dismissal is the next step -- IT IS A PRIVILEGE TO BE A PART OF THE BASKETBALL EXPERIENCE/ NOT A RIGHT. (*Sean Williamson, Springfield Glendale High School*)
- **Promoting Your Program** - An important part of leading a basketball program is promoting your program in the school and community. Building a basketball program should be started at the lowest level of your school. In addition to quality summer camps, coaches can offer free clinics in the fall, father/son events, and might feature some program in conjunction with games

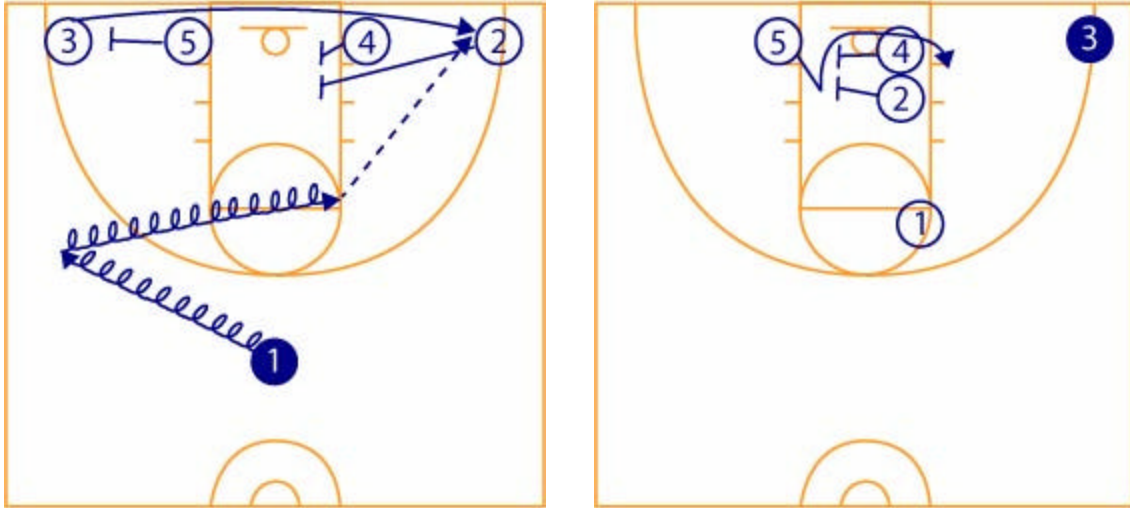
during the season to gather interest in the high school basketball program. Promoting theme nights within the high school also serve as a great way to get students involved. Theme nights such as 70's, 80's, cartoon, and western nights are just some ideas that could raise student participation. Once students arrive at games, you can throw out t-shirts to the crowd at home games. The cost could be covered by a couple sponsors. Half time contests and updated theme music are just a few ways to entertain the crowd. Inviting lower level teams to participate during games also boosts attendance. You can also promote the game with school staff by holding a staff appreciate night. Teachers could be honored, players could ask their teacher to wear their road jersey to school, and to the game. There are many great ways to promote your program in the community including designing or working with students to build a team website. A calendar featuring your players can be designed and distributed throughout the community. As a coach you can always request the opportunity to speak with civic groups who are eager and ready to listen as you promote your program. Each team should use the opportunity to work with a charity during the season, such as Special Olympics, as a way to give back and show your program cares. These are just a few of the many possibilities to promote your program. All you need are some creative ideas and a little effort and you can boost crowds and excitement in your program. *(Bill Gunn, Kirkwood High School)*

As stated before, I would like this section to become a good resource for all of the coaches throughout Missouri, but I need your help. If you have a great idea that you would like to share that has worked for you, please email it to me (lindberghoops@sbcglobal.net) and I will compile a list and insert them in each edition of the Hard Court Herald. Good luck to all of you as you wrap up conference play and head into the post-season.



COACHES' CLIPBOARD

Play of the Month *"Triple Double"*



This edition's "Play of the Month" courtesy B.J. Hair of Lee's Summit High School.

Suggested Reading:

Earl Austin Jr.'s Awesome 20 Years of St. Louis Prep Basketball

Noted hoops guru and Saint Louis University color commentator Earl Austin Jr. gives an in-depth look back at his years of covering hoops in the greater St. Louis area. Even for those in out-state Missouri, it's a fantastic look back at some of the greatest players to ever done the uniform in our state. You can order a copy or get more information by going to Earl's web-site at: www.earlaustinjr.com

Featured Web-Site: **KamoHoops**

(www.kamohoops.com)

KamoHoops is a coach-friendly site where you can find most anything that could be of use to your program. An example from the site is the play located in this month's "Play of the Month" section. Run by B.J. Hair from Lee's Summit, it's meant for the high school and youth coach.

To contribute to the Coaches' Clipboard (plays, drills, books, quotes, web-sites, etc.) or to submit any other item for "The Hardcourt Herald (article, article idea, etc.), contact Shane Matzen at hardcourtherald@hotmail.com

The "Meat and Potatoes" Section

You joined the MBCA for several reasons. Hopefully one of which was to be able to access the January and April issues of The Hard Court Herald (available only to members). But the true reason we all coach and belong to this organization is to do for others (peers and players). The remainder of this newsletter includes all the necessary forms you will need to nominate those that have contributed to the game.

Whether you have a player who has been a star on the court and/or been a great citizen and student, an assistant coach who has meant a great deal to you and your community, a coach you respect who deserves to be a candidate for Coach of the Year or in the Missouri Basketball Hall of Fame....well, the avenue to recognize them is on the following pages.

Please take the time to peruse the forms included here and pay a tribute to a player or coach who deserves to be recognized. Also, just after this page is a letter from our newly-named "MBCA All-State Committee" which has put out specific guidelines for the process to go through to nominate and select our MBCA All-State Team. In this process, we will also be naming All-District teams. Forms will have different due dates to be turned in and some awards will require you to be a member to nominate and some will not. **Membership fees go up as of February 1st. Individual fees will be \$25 and school staff fees will rise to \$75.** Please pay particular attention to those details when selecting which categories you choose to print, fill out and send in. The awards and forms to follow include:

Mr. & Miss Show-Me Basketball
MBCA All-State & All-District
Academic All-State
MBCA Coach of the Year
MBCA Hall of Fame
MBCA All-Star Game
"Cub Martin" Assistant Coach of the Year
MBCA Membership Form



Dear Coaches

As the season has reached its midway point, we hope all of your seasons are going well. In an effort to get more coaches involved in the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association and to do a better job of promoting our student-athletes, the MBCA is revamping the All-State Selection process for the 2007 MBCA All-State Teams.

Here is a list of the changes to the MBCA All-State Selection Process:

- Coaches will select a five player All-District Team at their respective district seed meetings. These five players will then be eligible for consideration for the MBCA All-State Team. All players are eligible for consideration for the All-District Team regardless if their coach is a member of MBCA or not.
- Coaches will also select a District Coach of the Year at the district seed meeting. This coach must be a member of MBCA. The District Coach of the Year will then be eligible for consideration for MBCA Coach of the Year.
- Once the All-District Team and District Coach of the Year are selected, the District Site Manager will then forward the information to the Chairman of the MBCA All-State Selection Committee.

Here is a list of items that will stay the same in the MBCA All-State Selection Process:

- Each MBCA Board District Chairman will still be responsible for findings representatives for the MBCA All-State Selection Committee. This will be five boys and five girls coaches from each of the eight areas represented by MBCA.
- Each coach wanting to nominate a player for the All-District Team should fill out the MBCA All-State Selection Form.
- Each member of the All-State Selection Committee will receive a packet one week prior to the All-State Selection meeting with the names and statistics of all players being considered for All-State from his or her area.

Also we would like to remind all coaches that forms are also available to nominate players for MBCA Academic All-State. The requirements for MBCA Academic All-State are posted on the MBCA website: <http://www.mobca.org>

Please feel free to contact either of us with suggestions that we may further improve the MBCA All-State Selection Process. Good luck the rest of the season.

Sincerely

MBCA All-State/Academic All-State Co-Chairman

Shawn Erickson
Head Boy's Basketball Coach
Festus High School

Jim Vaughan
Head Boy's Basketball Coach
Kennett High School

Nomination form
Mr. and/or Miss Show-Me Basketball
Sponsored by the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association
(current school year SENIORS only)

Player Name: _____

School: _____ **School Phone:** _____

Player's Home Phone: _____

Coach's Name: _____

Coach's Phone: _____
School home cell

Height: _____ **Weight:** _____

Averages:

Points: _____

Rebounds: _____

Assists: _____

FG%: _____ **FTA:** _____ **FTM:** _____ **FT%:** _____

Honors

Received: _____

Coach's

comments: _____

Coach's Signature: _____

There will be 10 girls and 10 boys selected as finalists from the nominations submitted. Mr. and Miss Show-Me Basketball will be chosen from those finalists. The names of finalists will be published in the Hard Court Herald and at mobca.org. The final selection will be made from a panel of college assistant coaches. Mail all nominations to:

Gary Filbert, MBCA Office
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Columbia, MO 65203

Return this form by March 1, 2007. YOU MUST BE A MEMBER TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION.

Past Mr. Show-Me Basketball Winners

2006-Ben Hansbrough, Poplar Bluff
2005-Tyler Hansbrough, Poplar Bluff
2004-Drew Richards, Logan-Rogersville
2003-Spencer Laurie, Kickapoo
2002-Jimmy McKinney, Vashon
2001-David Lee, Chaminade
2000-Joel Shelton, Vashon
1999-Kareem Rush, Pembroke Hill
1998-Jaron Rush, Pembroke Hill
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1996-Tate Decker, Webster Groves
1995-Ryan Robertson, St. Charles West
1994-Monte Hardge, Jefferson City
1993-Kelly Thames, Jennings
1992-Brian Gavin, Parkway Central
1991-Marcus Timmons, Scott County Central
1990-Jevon Crudup, Raytown South
1989-Chris Heller, Rockhurst
1988-Anthony Peeler, Paseo
1987-John Cooper, Rockhurst
1986-Anthony Bonner, Vashon
1985-Monroe Douglass, McKinley

Past Miss Show-Me Basketball Winners

2006-Mackenzie Stirmlinger, St. Joseph's Academy
2005-Heather Ezell, Kickapoo
2004-Katie Dierdorf, Visitation
2003-Laura Granzo, Kickapoo
2002-Kari Koch, Elsberry
2001-Dionnah Jackson, Parkway West
2000-Terianne Wolford, Nixa
1999-Karensa Barr, West Plains
1998-Lauren Jackson, North Kansas City
1997-April McKinney, Incarnate Word
1996-Niele Ivey, Cor Jesu
1995-Amy Rhea, John F. Hodge
1994-Kristin Folkl, St. Joseph's Academy
1993-Marsha Burton, Marionville
1992-Andrea Siemer, Jackson
1991-Melissa Grider, Marshfield
1990-Melody Howard, Marshfield
1989-Kim Mahn, DeSoto
1988-Rhonda Moore, Hazelwood East
1987-Lisa Sandbothe, Washington
1986-Lori Sandbothe, Washington
1985-Janet Clark, St. Joseph Lafayette

MBCA ALL-STATE NOMINATION FORM

(please print clearly)

Player Name: _____ circle one: Male Female

School: _____ Classification (circle one): 1 2 3 4 5

Nominating Head Coach: _____

Key Statistics

Points/Game: _____ Rebounds/Game: _____ Assists/Game: _____

Free Throw%: _____ Field Goal %: _____ Three-Point%: _____

Three-Pointers Made: _____ Steals/Game: _____ Blocks/Game: _____

Coach's
Comments: _____

Nominations are due to your district representative by February 13, 2007!
All coaches can nominate their respective players (i.e. you do NOT have to be an MBCA member). If you are unsure of who your district rep is or have any other questions, please refer to the corresponding page in this newsletter or to mobca.org which lists this year's board members from around the state and their contact information.

Nomination form
Academic All-State Team
Sponsored by the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association

Player Name: _____

School: _____

Player's Home Phone: _____

Coach's Name: _____

Coach's Phone: _____

School	home	cell
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Coach's E-Mail: _____

The individual being nominated for Academic All-State must meet the following qualifications:

1. Senior standing
2. Started 90% of his or her team's games or played in 75% of the total team quarters played.
3. Possesses outstanding moral character.
4. Has ONE OR MORE of the following verified minimum scores:
 - A. ACT score of 27 composite or above
 - B. SAT score of 1210 composite or above
 - C. PSAT score of 185 selection index or more
5. Grade-Point Average of 3.25 out of possible 4.0 (or equivalent on alternate grade scale)

---SCHOOL PRINCIPAL MUST VERIFY ALL OF THE APPLICABLE ITEMS---

Other qualifications: _____

Coach's signature: _____

Principal's signature: _____

---AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS NOMINATION---

All student-athletes who meet ALL of the required criteria will be honored as members of the Missouri Academic All-State team. Please send additional information to your district representative. YOU MUST BE AN MBCA MEMBER TO NOMINATE FOR THE ACADEMIC ALL-STATE TEAM. Mail all nominations to the following address by March 10, 2007:

Gary Filbert, MBCA Office
906 Wayne Road
Columbia, MO 65203

The MBCA Academic All-State program has become possible through the hard work and dedication of its membership. Thanks go to The Show-Me State Games for providing a scholarship to be awarded to the top player on the Academic All-State teams for both boys and girls. This award is decided upon by the MBCA Board.

COACHES.....THERE IS A LATE FEE OF \$10 EXTRA TO BE ADDED TO YOUR MEMBERSHIP IF YOU JOIN AFTER FEBRUARY 1!

Nomination form
Richard Fairchild Coach of the Year
Sponsored by the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association

Nominated Coach's Name: _____

School: _____

School Classification (circle one): 1 2 3 4 5

Nominating Coach's Name: _____

You must coach in the SAME classification as the individual you are nominating!

Nominating Coach's School: _____

Mail all nominations by March 13, 2007 to:

**Gary Filbert, MBCA Office
906 Wayne Road
Columbia, MO 65203**

You MUST be an MBCA member to nominate!!!

Nomination form
Missouri Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame
Sponsored by the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association

Coach's Name: _____

School(s) coached at and record at each school:

Nominated Coach's

Phone: _____
School home cell

Nominating Coach's Name: _____

Nominating Coach's Phone: _____
School home cell

Career Honors

Received: _____

Nominating Coach's

comments: _____

Nominating Coach's Signature: _____

Coaches with 500 or more wins in Missouri are automatic qualifiers. Please mail form or seek more information by contacting Gary Filbert at the following address:

Gary Filbert, MBCA Office
906 Wayne Road
Columbia, MO 65203

Return this form by March 13, 2007. YOU MUST BE A MEMBER TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION.

**Nomination form
MBCA All-Star Game
Sponsored by the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association**

Players should be nominated that you feel are one of the top twenty senior boys or girls in the state. Said player must also be available to play in Springfield on a date to be determined (nominees for the game will be notified ASAP when that date is set).

Player Name: _____

School: _____

Nominating Coach's Name: _____

Coach's Phone: _____
 School **home** **cell**

**Player's Honors, Awards,
etc:** _____

**Player's College Plans/Schools Offering
Scholarships:** _____

Senior Season Statistics:

PPG: _____ **REB:** _____ **ASSISTS:** _____ **STEALS:** _____

FG%: _____ **FT%:** _____ **BLOCKS:** _____

Mail all nominations by March 10, 2007 to:

**Gary Filbert, MBCA Office
906 Wayne Road
Columbia, MO 65203**

You do not have to be an MBCA member to nominate.
Nomination form

KEVIN “CUB” MARTIN MEMORIAL

MISSOURI ASSISTANT BASKETBALL COACH OF THE YEAR

This award is being awarded in honor of the late Kevin “Cub” Martin, the long-time assistant basketball coach at Nixa High School. A lifetime resident of Nixa, Kevin’s committed loyalty to his students, players, family and friends was always proudly displayed and never questioned. He was a source of inspiration to all he came in contact with. His legacy is one that will now live on in honoring those who give of their time to basketball in our state in a manner befitting Kevin’s life and career.

CRITERIA

Outstanding Character
Loyalty
Commitment to Program and Community
Sportsmanship
Ethics
Selflessness
Leadership
Longevity at a School/Program

NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS/PROCESS

Nominating coach must be a member of the MBCA
Applicants will be sorted and honorees selected by the MBCA board

Fill out the space below with appropriate information and return to:
Missouri Basketball Coaches Association
906 Wayne Road
Columbia, MO 65203

Assistant Coach Nominated: _____

School Affiliation: _____ **Years at School:** _____

MBCA Member Nominating: _____

*****In addition to this form, please submit a letter of recommendation including:
1) career overview of nominee 2) reason for nomination**



2006-2007 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please fill out and return \$15 per single membership (Take note of "All-School" rate and late fees below).

Make your check payable to:
"Missouri Basketball Coaches Association"

NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

SCHOOL AFFILIATION: _____

CLASS: 1__ 2__ 3__ 4__ 5__

JR HI__ HS__ JUCO__ COLLEGE__ OTHER__

DISTRICT: NW__ NE__ SE__ SW__

South Cent__ Cent__ KC__ STL__

Total Wins as Head Coach _____

Number of years coaching at each level:

COLLEGE: ASST__ HEAD COACH__ TOTAL__

HIGH SCHOOL: JR HI__ HS ASST__ VAR__ TOTAL__

MAIL TO:

Missouri Basketball Coaches Association
906 Wayne Road
Columbia, MO 65203

(Please note: single Membership is \$15 per year)

*****SPECIAL "ALL-SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP"*****

INDIVIDUAL Schools may enroll ALL of their coaches (boys AND girls) for a school membership fee of only \$50. Each coach on the staff though will have to fill out an individual membership form along with the check for \$50. After February 1, 2007, the prices will go up to \$25 per individual and \$75 for the entire school staff.

I would like to become more involved in the MBCA and its activities. I will volunteer my services if needed with the following:

Nominating__ Legislative__ Hall of Fame Games__

Academic All-State__ Newsletter__

Suggestions for the MBCA Board to consider:
