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Council to consider employment-income proposal

A recommendation from the NCAA Committee on Financial Aid and Amateurism regarding employment income for student-athletes will be among the items considered when the NCAA Council and division steering committees meet April 15-17 in Kansas City, Missouri.

The financial aid committee has recommended that the Council sponsor legislation that would permit Division I student-athletes to earn legitimate on- or off-campus income during semester or term time up to the difference between the student-athlete's other financial aid and the cost of attendance at the institution. The committee's recommendation would place no other restrictions on the amount of employment earnings or on the number of hours worked and would allow institutions' athletics interests to be involved in arranging the employment.

The committee also recommends that if the Council does not favor permitting off-campus work for this purpose that it still permit such income for on-campus employment.

The Council also will review a report from the Special Committee to Oversee Implementation of the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse. That committee has developed a number of recommendations for enhancing customer service for the clearinghouse, including adding nine telephone lines for institutional use only, leaving a total of 16 lines for other callers. The committee also recommends that evaluators answer calls from institutions.

The special committee also has discussed the high expense of funding the clearinghouse, which is expected to cost up to

\$1.5 million by its fifth year of operation.

In another matter, the Council will review an NCAA Research Committee survey form designed to consolidate the information-gathering process required by the federally mandated Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act, the audit requirements of the Higher Education Act and the NCAA's gender-equity study. If the Council approves the form, it will be sent to member institutions in May 1996, with a return date of October 1.

In addition to the committee reports and recommendations, the Council and the division steering committees will review assorted issues relating to the membership restructuring process. In addition to the reports previously noted, the Council will

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Basketball television

Women's final scores a ratings winner with ESPN

BY RONALD D. MOTT
STAFF WRITER

While the match-up may have promised only a strong regional showing in television ratings, the final of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship between the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and the University of Georgia turned out to be the highest-rated women's basketball game in ESPN history.

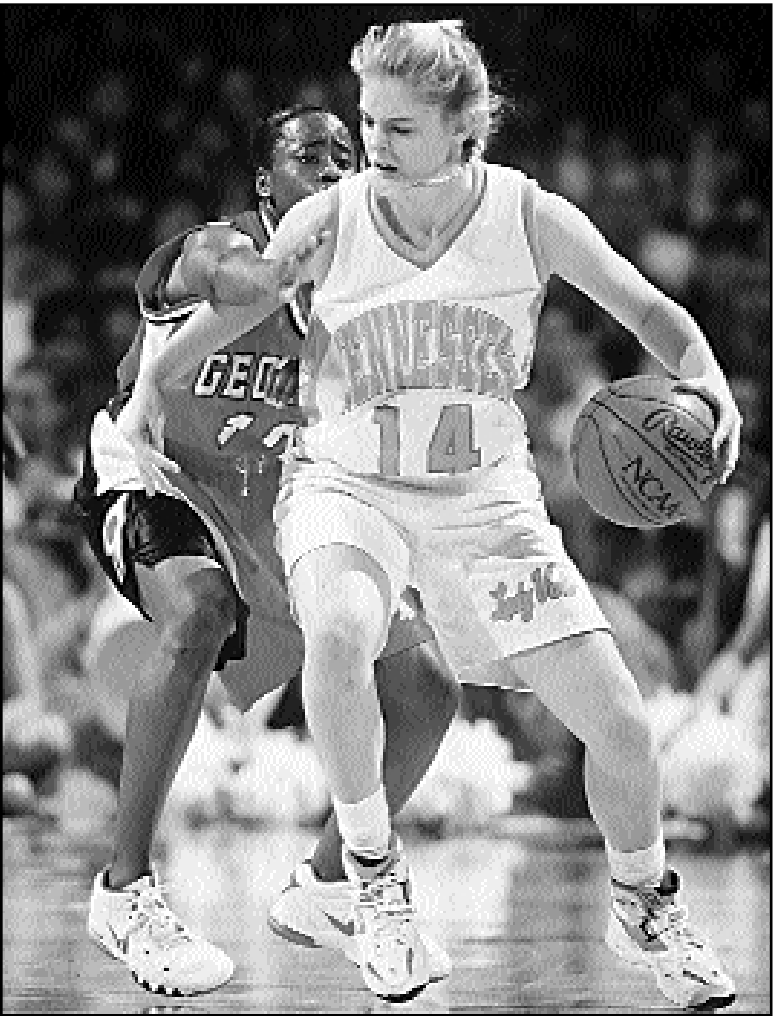
The clash between two Southeastern Conference teams garnered a 3.7 rating, eclipsing a record 2.5 rating posted by the Tennessee-University of Connecticut national semifinal two evenings earlier. A 1987 regional final between Louisiana Tech University and the University of Iowa, which collected a 2.0 rating, was ESPN's top-rated women's broadcast until this year.

One ratings point represents 680,000 ESPN households, meaning the March 31 championship final won by Tennessee was seen in 2.52 million households.

The 3.7 championship-game rating and its six share this year — the share is the percentage of all viewers watching television at a particular time — are down markedly from last year, when the Tennessee-Connecticut final earned a 5.7 rating and 15 share on CBS. The most obvious factor in the drop was the championship's move from a broadcast network to a cable network, which reduced exposure to 70 percent of the nation's TV households.

ESPN, however, broadcast 200 men's basketball games during the 1995-96 season, and only one rated higher than the women's national-championship game — the Big East Conference tournament final between Connecticut and Georgetown University, which posted a 4.0. In all, ESPN televised 24 women's championship tournament games, significantly increasing its television exposure over previous years.

"We felt the best way to get people hooked (on women's basketball) is to get them to watch," said Linda Bruno, commissioner of the Atlantic 10 Conference and chair of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee. "I think (the increased exposure) has made a tremendous difference. I think it did a lot for women's basketball."



Jim Gund/NCAA Photos

Kellie Jolly and the Tennessee Lady Vols topped the University of Georgia for the Division I women's title, and the final topped the list as the most-watched women's basketball game in ESPN history.

See Ratings, page 20 ➤

McGee, Wolfe join Presidents Council Transition Team in II

Jerry E. McGee of Wingate University and John T. Wolfe Jr. of Savannah State College have been selected to the Division II Presidents Council Transition Team, completing the appointments for that body.

The transition team will serve as the Presidents Council when the Association's new structure becomes effective in 1997.

The appointments were made by the Division II subcommittee of the NCAA Presidents Commission at its March 28-29 meeting in New York City. The subcommittee also established a staggered schedule for term expirations (see chart on page 7).

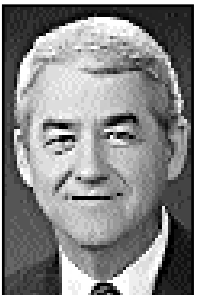
The Presidents Council is based on regional representation and includes 13 chief executive officers. Besides Wolfe and McGee, the other 11 members are those currently serving on the Division II subcommittee of the Presidents Commission. The Presidents Council Transition Team contains five women and five ethnic minorities.

The Division II presidents also ratified appointments for nine vacancies on the Management Council Transition Team, leaving only one position remaining to be filled. The NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee has been asked for advice on the appointment, which is for an at-large position; once that position is filled, the complete membership of the Management Council Transition Team will be announced.

In another matter relating to restructuring, the Division II Presidents Commission subcommittee agreed to appoint four project teams to examine issues relating to restructuring.

Those project teams are:

- Championships (chair: Robert T. Becker, director of athletics, Saginaw Valley State University). Issues to be discussed include: Intent of championships in Division II



McGee



Wolfe

See II transition team, page 7 ➤

Schedule of key dates for April and May

APRIL

	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

APRIL RECRUITING

Men's Division I basketball

1-2 (noon)Dead period.

2 (noon)-3 (7 a.m.)Quiet period.

3 (7 a.m.)-8 (7 a.m.)Contact period.

8 (7 a.m.)-12 (7 a.m.)Dead period.

12 (7 a.m.)-17Contact period.

18-30Quiet period.

Women's Division I basketball*

1 (until noon)Dead period.

1 (noon)-8 (7 a.m.)Contact period.

8 (7 a.m.)-12 (7 a.m.)Dead period.

12 (7 a.m.)-30Quiet period.

Men's Division II basketball

1-2 (noon)Dead period.

2 (noon)-8 (7 a.m.)Contact period.

8 (7 a.m.)-10 (7 a.m.)Dead period.

10 (7 a.m.)-30Contact period.

Women's Division II basketball*

1-8 (7 a.m.)Contact period.

8 (7 a.m.)-10 (7 a.m.)Dead period.

10 (7 a.m.)-30Contact period.

Division I football

1-30Quiet period.

Division II football

1-30: Quiet period, except during any high-school all-star game that occurs within the state in which the member institution is located: Evaluation period.

MAY

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

MAY RECRUITING

Men's Division I basketball

1-31Quiet period.

Women's Division I basketball*

1-31Quiet period.

Men's Division II basketball

1-13Contact period.

14-31Quiet period.

Women's Division II basketball*

1-13Contact period.

14-31Quiet period.

Division I football

Twenty days (excluding Memorial Day and Sundays) during May 1 through May 31, selected at the discretion of the institution and designated in writing in the office of the director of athletics (an authorized recruiter may visit a particular institution only one time during this period): Evaluation period.

Those days in May not designated above: Quiet period.

Division II football

1-31Evaluation period.

*See pages 122-123 of the 1995-96 NCAA Manual for exceptions. Also, see pages 126-127 for dead periods in other Divisions I and II sports.

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NCAA News DIGEST

A weekly summary of major activities within the Association

FARA

Faculty representatives forming committee to revise constitution

The Faculty Athletics Representatives Association is seeking faculty representatives who are interested in serving on a committee to revise FARA's constitution.

Diane Husic, associate professor of chemistry and faculty athletics representative at East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania, asked that those interested respond to her by April 24. There are five vacancies on the committee.

Husic said the project is to be completed by this fall, before the annual FARA convention. She said that although the entire constitution needs revision, the nominations and election process needs special attention.

Husic may be reached by e-mail at dhusic@esu.edu.

Staff contact: Kevin C. Lennon.

Title IX

Second educational seminar set for April 29-30 in Boston

The second of two educational seminars on Title IX compliance will be conducted April 29-30 in Boston.

The seminars, which are designed to assist the membership with how to comply with Title IX, feature experts from both inside and outside the membership. The first seminar was April 11-12 in San Francisco.

Staff contact: Janet M. Justus.

Division II

Subcommittees established to examine primary issues

The Division II Presidents Commission subcommittee has agreed to appoint four project teams to examine issues relating to restructuring.

Those project teams and their chairs are championships, Robert T. Becker, director of athletics, Saginaw Valley State University; governance, Doug Echols, commissioner, South Atlantic Conference; Division II financial aid issues, Karen Miller, director of athletics, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona; and membership issues, Clint Bryant, director of athletics, Augusta College.

The presidents also completed appointments to the Presidents Council Transition Team with the selections of Jerry E. McGee, Wingate University, and John T. Wolfe Jr., Savannah State College.

For more information, see page 1.

Staff contact Nancy L. Mitchell.

Division III

Presidents agree to delay championships-related decisions

The Division III subcommittee of the NCAA Presidents Commission wants to explore a number of alternatives before it commits to any particular model for the division's championships program.

At their March 28-29 meeting, the presidents also discussed the financial implications of the championship structure and agreed on a fiscally conservative policy.

The championships subcommittee of the Division III restructuring transition team had recommended that a "substantial sum," perhaps \$100,000, be set aside annually to a Division III reserve fund. After considering the championships issue, the presidents recom-

Local TV ratings

1996 highest ratings

1.	Cincinnati.....	35.4
2.	Indianapolis	23.4
3.	Charlotte.....	22.6
4.	Hartford/New Haven	22.2
5.	Kansas City	21.9
6.	St. Louis	21.1
7.	Minneapolis/St. Paul.....	20.4
8.	Washington, D. C.	20.0
9.	Houston.....	19.1
10.	Dallas/Fort Worth, Chicago	17.9

1995 highest ratings

1.	Kansas City.....	27.4
2.	Los Angeles	26.5
3.	Cincinnati.....	26.2
4.	Indianapolis	25.7
5.	Washington, D. C.	25.6
6.	Charlotte.....	23.1
7.	Dallas	22.0
8.	Hartford/New Haven	20.2
9.	Baltimore.....	20.1
10.	Atlanta, St. Louis, Seattle	19.2

Television ratings for the last two years show that people in Cincinnati, Kansas City and Indianapolis love their college basketball.

The final game of the 1996 Division I Men's Basketball Championship drew a rating of 35.4 in Cincinnati, about 50 percent better than any of 32 other markets that were surveyed. Viewership in Cincinnati was bolstered by the appearance in the championship game of the University of Kentucky, but Cincinnati was No. 3 last year when no nearby teams were involved.

The Kansas City and Indianapolis markets also were in the top five in both 1995 and 1996. For the second consecutive year, the lowest viewership was in the Miami area.

mended that proposed models set aside much more money for the reserve fund, perhaps as much as \$500,000 annually.

For more information, see the April 8 issue of The NCAA News.

Staff contact: Daniel T. Dutcher.

Regional seminars

First of three seminars set for May 8-10 in St. Louis

The first of three NCAA regional rules-compliance seminars will be conducted May 8-10 in St. Louis at the Hyatt Regency Union Station.

Subsequent seminars will be May 22-24 in Boston (Park Plaza Hotel) and May 29-31 in Newport Beach, California (Marriott).

The agenda for all of the seminars will appear in the April 22 issue of The NCAA News.

Staff contact: Chris Gates.

Television

Women do well on ESPN; men's final has 18.3 rating

The Women's Final Four championship showdown between the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and the University of Georgia garnered a 3.7 rating, making it the highest-rated women's basketball game ever for ESPN.

The rating eclipsed a 2.5 rating posted by the Tennessee-University of Connecticut regional final two evenings earlier. A 1987 regional final between Louisiana Tech University and the University of Iowa, which collected a 2.0 rating, was ESPN's top-rated

1996 lowest ratings

1.	Miami/Fort Lauderdale.....	8.2
2.	West Palm Beach.....	10.4
3.	Detroit	10.7
4.	Boston	11.1
5.	Portland, Oregon.....	11.4

1995 lowest ratings

1.	Miami/Fort Lauderdale.....	8.4
2.	Minneapolis/St. Paul.....	11.0
3.	Stockton/Sacramento.....	12.9
4.	West Palm Beach.....	13.3
5.	Portland, Oregon.....	13.5

women's broadcast until this year.

Meanwhile, the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship final continued to be a major television attraction, but ratings for the title game declined for the fourth consecutive year.

More than 17.5 million households tuned in April 1 to CBS to watch the University of Kentucky defeat Syracuse University. The game earned an 18.3 rating and 29 share.

For more information, see page 1.

Staff contact: James A. Marchiony.

Restructuring

Divisions asked to examine athlete representation question

The Oversight Committee on the NCAA Membership Structure has directed each division's transition team to examine the question of student-athlete representation in the Association's governance and legislative process.

For more information, see page 7.

Staff contact: Mike L. Racy.

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Briefly in the News

70-run victory prompts change

The Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference has established a 25-run rule for baseball games in response to an April 2 contest in which the College of St. Francis (Illinois) baseball team mauled Robert Morris College (Illinois) by 70 runs.

The rule specifies that if a team leads by 25 runs, the game becomes official, regardless of the number of innings played.

The Fighting Saints did not have to fight much in pummeling Robert Morris, 71-1. The game was surrendered by Robert Morris coach Gerald McNamara after four innings.

Robert Morris (Illinois) is not an NCAA member and is not to be confused with Robert Morris College of Pennsylvania, which is an NCAA Division I institution.

Despite leading, 26-1, after just one inning of play, St. Francis coach Tony Delgado said he did not instruct his players to quit playing hard. To do otherwise, he suggests, would do more harm to the opposition than a grossly lopsided score.

"I didn't tell the guys to stop swinging," he said. "In a situation like this, you just keep playing baseball. To call off the dogs, so to speak, and strike out intentionally, run slowly, etc., I feel would be more demeaning to their players who are trying their best..."

"You have to give the Robert Morris players a lot of credit. Throughout the ordeal, and that's what it was, an ordeal, they kept a serious attitude in an extremely difficult situation."

The final tally went like this: For St. Francis: 71 runs, 44 hits and no errors; for Robert Morris: one run, four hits and 16 errors.

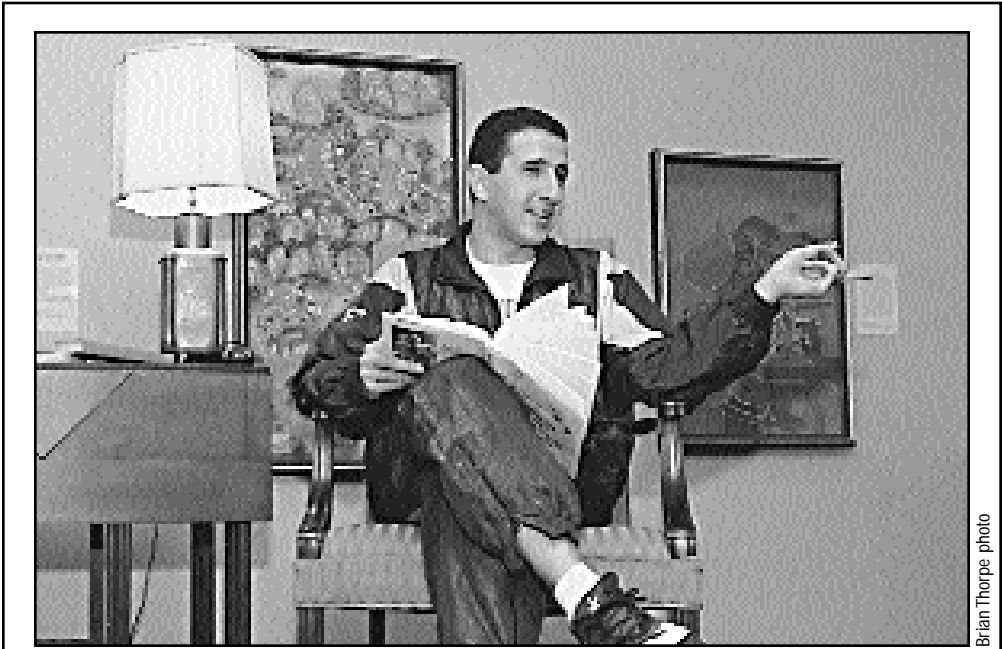
WAC counting down

The Western Athletic Conference is in final preparations for an expansion that will increase its membership to 16 schools beginning in July, making it the largest Division I-A conference.

The conference has busied itself since announcement of the expansion with reshaping its image to better reflect the larger membership. It adopted a slogan, "Poised for the Future," and developed new conference logos.

Recently, the conference selected Pacific and Mountain as the names of its two divisions.

The U.S. Air Force Academy; Colorado State



Loadin' up — *University of Florida football player Willie Rodgers loaded mattresses as part of a furniture-removal project at Yon Hall, the former athletics dormitory at Florida. The University Athletic Association donated furniture from the dorm to the Volunteer Center of Alachua County. The University Athletic Association donated 97 chests of drawers, 127 mattresses, 89 bed springs and 99 bed frames.*

University; California State University, Fresno; the University of Hawaii, Manoa; the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; San Diego State University; San Jose State University; and the University of Wyoming will compete in the Pacific division. Schools in the Mountain division are Brigham Young University, the University of New Mexico, Rice University, Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University, the University of Texas at El Paso, the University of Tulsa and the University of Utah.

"This is an exciting time for the WAC, as we prepare to launch a new era and position the conference as a leader in college athletics," said Karl D. Benson, commissioner of the Western Athletic Conference. "There are a lot of challenges that lie ahead, but the foundation has been set to build the WAC into the nation's first true super conference."

The conference also dubbed the city of Las Vegas as its "championship city" for 1996-97, as four major conference events will take place there during the next academic year — the

inaugural Western Athletic Conference football championship and volleyball tournament and the men's and women's basketball tournaments.

"The city of Las Vegas made a strong commitment to the WAC and demonstrated outstanding support for our men's and women's programs," Benson said. "This arrangement will provide our student-athletes with a wonderful experience while offering our fans exciting and affordable travel packages. It's definitely a win-win situation for everyone involved."

Free gym floor covers

Dunlap Industries of Grass Valley, California, is offering protective gym floor covers free to NCAA institutions. These covers help prevent scuffing and other damage to floors.

Schools must pay for the cost of sewing hems on the outer edges of the covers. All shipping costs will be provided by Dunlap Industries.

For more information, contact John Dayton at 916/274-3233.

Facilities

Arizona State University will rename its football surface Frank Kush Field in honor of former coach Frank Kush. The stadium will retain its name, Sun Devil Stadium. Arizona State will host defending national champion University of Nebraska, Lincoln, September 21, which will be called Frank Kush Day.

St. John's University (Minnesota) received a matching gift of \$750,000 from the McGlynn Family Foundation of Minneapolis to help fund the university's facilities campaign. A \$6.5 million facility-improvement plan is underway. It calls for a new health and fitness center, renovations of the football stadium and Warner Palaestra and construction of a new all-weather outdoor track and all-purpose field house.

Virginia Wesleyan College broke ground March 23 on a new soccer/lacrosse facility, which will include a fenced natural-grass field, bleachers, scoreboard, press box, locker rooms and offices. It is the first major physical enhancement of athletics facilities at the college since 1977.

Southern Utah University will name its stadium in honor of George and Dolores Dore' Eccles. The Eccles Coliseum is due for a \$2 million renovation, 25 percent of which was funded by the Eccles Foundation. The renovation includes replacement of the existing west grandstands, extension of the east bowl to the west side, additional seating, a new press box and a series of sky boxes.

Southwestern University (Texas) dedicated in March an \$8.2 million health and fitness center named for the late Corbin J. Robertson, who was a Houston business leader and philanthropist. The 95,000-square-foot facility provides space for intercollegiate athletics, intramurals, fitness training, and recreational and wellness activities. It will house the kinesiology department, counseling and health services, several classrooms, and a laboratory featuring the latest in human-performance technology.

Committee notices

Member institutions are invited to submit nominations to fill interim vacancies on NCAA committees. Written nominations to fill the following vacancy must be received by Fannie B. Vaughan, executive assistant, in the NCAA office by April 29, 1996 (fax number 913/339-0035).

Division I Women's Softball Committee: Replacement for Judith M. Brame, California State University, Northridge. Institution will become a member of the Big West Conference, effective September 1, 1996, and that conference has another representative on this committee. Appointee should be from the Division I women's softball Pacific region and must be an athletics administrator.

Committee changes

The following changes, corrections and additions have been made to information in the 1996 NCAA Committee Handbook. The handbook is the official source of information about NCAA committees until October 1996, when the 1996-97 NCAA Directory will be published. Changes are effective immediately unless otherwise noted. Page numbers refer to the place in the handbook where a change should be recorded.

Council

Walter J. Johnson (Division III), director of athletics, North Central College, Naperville, Illinois 60566-7063, appointed to replace Daniel L. Bridges, California Institute of Technology, who resigned to accept appointment to the Executive Committee (page 10).

Mike L. Racy replaces Carrie A. Hagwell as a Division II staff liaison.

Presidents Commission

Charles B. Knapp (Division I), president, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia 30613, appointed as the Southeastern Conference representative (page 13).

Council-appointed committees

Communications Committee: R. C. Johnson now is at the University of Memphis instead of Temple University (page 25).

Legislative Review Committee: Lynn L. Dorn, North Dakota State University (Division II), appointed as the Council representative

John A. Bove, Pennsylvania State University (Division I), appointed to fill a committee vacancy (page 29).

National Youth Sports Program Committee: Horace T. Small, Johnson C. Smith University, appointed as chair, replacing Brenda L. Edmond, Southern University, Baton Rouge (pages 29-30).

Division II Championships Committee: Lynn L. Dorn, North Dakota State University, appointed as chair.

Noel W. Olson, North Central Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, reappointed through January 1997 (page 37).

Division III Championships Committee: Daniel L. Bridges, California Institute of Technology, appointed as chair (page 37-38).

Men's Basketball Rules Committee: Theodore S. Paulauskas, director of athletics, St. Anselm College, appointed to replace Ralph Barkey, resigned from Sonoma State University (pages 40-41).

Division I Women's Basketball Committee: Jean Lenti Ponsetto, DePaul University, appointed as chair, effective September 1, 1996, replacing Linda Bruno (page 42).

Women's Crew Committee: Name changed to Women's Rowing Committee (page 45).

Men's and Women's Soccer Rules Committee: Carlos Juarez, men's soccer coach, California State University, San Bernardino, appointed to replace Tom Fitzgerald, formerly at the University of Tampa (page 51).

Men's Soccer Committee: T. Barry Gorman, Pennsylvania State University, appointed to replace Bob Bradley, resigned (page 51).

Women's Soccer Committee: Brian Purcell, Presbyterian College, appointed to replace Roland Sturk, resigned.

Cindy Smith replaces Stann Tate as staff liaison for Division III championship (page 52).

Men's and Women's Tennis Committee: Joe L. Jones, Cameron University,

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□ The Faculty Voice

Dispelling some myths about graduation rates

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Do graduation rates present an effective measurement of accomplishment?

Should a coach be rewarded for achieving a specific graduation rate? What is the proper role of a coach in the academic life of a student-athlete?

Who should be responsible for the academic success of the student-athlete?

The answer to these and related questions is significant to the university community. One of the metrics many university administrators have come to rely on is the NCAA graduation-rates study. Unfortunately, there are several myths associated with NCAA graduation rates. Here are some of the more common ones:

Myth No. 1: A 100 percent graduation rate is realistic and obtainable.

Striving for a 100 percent graduation rate is commendable. Unfortunately, there are many variables, most out of the control of the university or the athletics department, that may result in a failure to complete a degree program. Student-athletes may transfer to another school, encounter personal or financial difficulties, or simply drop out.

What is a fair graduation-rate expectation? Some faculty believe that a graduation rate equivalent to that of the student body of the institution is sufficient; others argue that since recruited student-athletes are provided various academic counseling and tutoring services, the student-athlete rate should exceed that of the student body. Others note that although not every student will complete an academic program, attendance at the university may still serve as a very positive and motivational experience.

Myth No. 2: Only student-athletes who graduate in five years are included.

The days when the average university undergraduate student completed a degree program in four years are gone. Current statistics indicate that an average of 4.5 years is typical. Student-athletes average closer to 4.75 years. Given these time frames and knowing that NCAA graduation rates are computed based upon a six-year horizon, the athletics population appears to possess an advantage.

The fact that athletics aid is limited to five



Kasavana

Another view on scoring for gymnastics

□ Letter

Thank you for allowing me to present a different view from some of those in your February 26 article, "Gymnastics scoring focus prompts call for change."

Indeed, there has to be change in the collegiate gymnastics scoring system if the sport in college is not to wither on the vine. But the changes suggested in the article by some of the coaches would likely hasten its demise instead of improving the sport and enhancing its growth.

Let me begin by saying that it is essential that we keep firmly focused on the objectives and goals of women's intercollegiate gymnastics in discussing how we should accommodate the need for change. These goals should be to promote the true spirit of competitive sports, putting the physical and mental welfare of the student-athlete and the fostering of high standards of ethics and fairness above all else. Programs should encourage continued improvement of performance and pursuit of excellence in women's gymnastics in a way that will convey the wholesome aspects of competition to all walks of our athletes' lives.

In this context, let's examine the issues that were discussed.

Safety

Certainly one objective we all agree on is the safety of our athletes. But we must put the responsibility where it will be effective in achieving our safety goals. The collegiate gymnastics coaches are the individuals best equipped to determine what is safe for their gymnasts. They are the only ones who have sufficient knowledge of the capabilities and needs of the individual athletes to make these determinations. Attempting to "legislate" safety through a set of regressive scoring standards cannot

work, will not provide the highest degree of safety, and interferes with the pursuit of excellence in a way that takes into consideration the abilities and limitations of the individual athlete.

In the tradition of progressive gymnastics, there is no correlation between appropriately increased skill performance and safety. Although there are insufficient data to substantiate this suggestion, it is logical that as gymnasts progress to higher skill levels, their injuries should decrease because they are allowed to pursue the higher skills only as their coaches determine their capabilities to pursue them safely. Their physical conditioning and abilities to avoid injuries increase as they progress to higher skill levels. There is no correlation between difficulty and injury rates; there are no statistics to indicate that more, or more severe, injuries occur when gymnasts perform more difficult skills.

Rather, it seems like injury frequency is more related to the fitness of the athlete and the coach's selection of the skills. If the coach selects a more difficult skill than the athlete is capable of doing, then he's going to risk having an injury. At the University of Georgia, we have more difficulty than any other team in the country (more than four points on the uneven bars than what is required under the present scoring). Yet, given that higher level of difficulty year in and year out, in 12 years we have never had a torn anterior cruciate ligament knee injury, which is the No. 1 injury in women's gymnastics. We've never had a career-ending injury, and the few season-ending injuries we've had have been ankle injuries acquired on the lowest-level

skills, level A or B.

I reiterate that the keys to preventing injuries are the athlete's physical fitness and the coach's selection of skills in accordance with the athlete's ability to perform them safely. So, for safety, in summary, there can be absolutely no effective substitute for skilled, conscientious coaches. We should be charged with promoting safety as our highest priority, our injury records should be scrutinized, and we should do all that we can to help each other in working together to maintain and upgrade our safety capabilities.

The scoring system, whether changed or not, will have no impact on safety. However, suggesting that injuries can be reduced by manipulating the scoring system, relying too much on the inappropriate selection of less challenging skills, could distract us from addressing the real factors that influence safety and cause a false sense of security. This wrong approach could actually *increase* injuries.

Student-athletes' mental welfare

Statements in the article suggesting that "most of us would agree we do not want to become an elitist sport" are ambiguous, but they imply that the coaches alone, not the gymnasts and supporting fans, should determine what is best. Mental welfare of our gymnasts is equally important with physical welfare.

We all recognize that competitive athletes want to improve and excel. They want a set of rules that allows the best performers to be rewarded with victories. We owe it to our athletes to see that they compete in an environment that promotes the pursuit of excellence and rewards achievers.

See *Gymnastics*, page 5 ►

□ Opinions

Athletes should consider sports administration careers

Betty F. Jaynes, executive director
Women's Basketball Coaches Association
USA Today

"More often than not, student-athletes move on to nonathletic endeavors after earning their baccalaureates. Many streamline themselves into corporate America, others continue on to postgraduate education, and still others find something in between.

"But for those who desire sport after college but find professional athletics opportunities extremely limited, why not consider a career in athletics-related fields?"

"Just because the ball might no longer bounce your way in the gym, it does not preclude you from pursuing a career in which you will continue to influence the development of sport from the sidelines or from the administrative offices.

"Of course, coaching is one way former student-athletes can go. Coaching can be very rewarding for some.

"If coaching is not a forte for soon-to-be graduating student-athletes, there is a colorful spectrum of sport-management opportunities expanding every day.

"Athletics training, broadcasting, journalism, academic advising, media and public relations, event management, and career counseling, to name just a few, are on the increase as more participation opportunities are created for today's student-athletes and as the demand for support services escalates.

"Student-athletes have something unique to offer the industry of college sports administration. They have competed in intercollegiate athletics, tasted victory and defeat, put young minds and bodies to the test, and have learned and refined their competition skills.

"Whether they helped their schools earn championships or have learned to overcome adversity from their sports experiences, student-athletes have prepared themselves for the sport of all sports: life.

"Successful people are those who always follow their shots."

Basketball style of play

Jennings Culley, columnist
Richmond Times-Dispatch

"Today's basketball behemoths weren't around when Lew Alcindor, Artis Gilmore, Tom Burleson and other 7-footers ush-

ered in a new era.

"The game was being played above the rim as much as below it. Rulemakers scurried to control the changing elements.

"First, defensive goaltending was banned. In 1957-58, offensive goaltending was prohibited. Players could no longer touch a ball on the rim or inside the cylinder of the basket.

"That brought questions about those who leaped and stuffed. Were their hands inside the hoop? Calls were difficult.

"So the dunk was made illegal in the 1967-68 season. The giants were driven off the rim.

"Alcindor, with his grace and soft touch, developed the sky hook.

"Burleson at N.C. State learned to fake inside, take a step back and shoot a soft fadeaway off the glass.

"Gilmore patented a little move across the lane and a left-handed spin shot that carried Jacksonville to the Final Four.

"But players continued to sky higher and higher.

"In 1976, the ban was rescinded, the dunk was made legal and the game has soared to new heights.

"Leaping dunks have become commonplace. They've made the game more exciting. But they've left petty annoyances.

"Coaches complain that young kids are more interested in the degree of difficulty of a dunk than they are in learning the jump shot. They'd rather jam than pull up for a short jumper.

"Others deplore the posturing and strutting after a dunk, the show of individualism over team play.

"Fans so love the dunk that they have learned to live with the individual showboating that pervades all sports.

"And now even rim-rattling, glass-shattering dunks are crowd-pleasers.

"But should there be a stricter penalty for hanging on the rim...for disrupting the flow of a game...for destroying property...for turning a shot into a spectacle?"

Women's basketball

John Wooden, former men's basketball coach
University of California, Los Angeles

The Atlanta Journal

"I get more enjoyment from watching women's basketball now. They still play a game beneath the rim."

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Men's track celebrates its 75th year

BY STEPHEN R. HAGWELL
STAFF WRITER

NCAA championships often are viewed as a time to celebrate the accomplishments of a sport's best teams and student-athletes. This year, Division I men's outdoor track and field will celebrate both the accomplishments of its student-athletes and the event where they compete. The 1996 NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships, set for May 29-June 1 at the University of Oregon's Hayward Field, will mark the 75th anniversary of men's track and field as an NCAA championship sport. The Association's first official championship and thus the oldest of 80 current championships, the men's track and field championships began in 1921 at Stagg Field in Chicago. The University of Illinois, Champaign, under the guidance of coach Harry Gill, claimed the first team title. The NCAA did not conduct a championship in 1924, in order to allow student-athletes to prepare for the Olympic Games.

"It's a very special time for track and field, something everyone associated with the sport can be proud of," said Chick Hislop, men's track and field coach at Weber State University and a member of the NCAA Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. "The fact that track and field is the oldest, and that in turn means most established, is very significant. In a way, track and field is the cornerstone (of NCAA championships), because it was the first championship." While sports such as tennis and golf began conducting championship competition at an earlier time, they did so under the auspices of other associations. Tennis conducted its first NCAA championships in 1946, while golf held its first NCAA championships in 1939. **Past standouts invited** To commemorate the 75th anniversary of

track competition, Oregon officials have invited some of the championships' most memorable student-athletes to present awards to the 1996 team and individual-event champions. "We're excited to be hosting what obviously is a very significant championship," said Steve Hellyer, assistant athletics director at the University of Oregon and a member of the NCAA Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. "We're always excited to host the championships, but to be hosting a championship of such magnitude as the 75th is very special not only to the University of Oregon, but the Eugene community and track and field fans in Oregon." Considering the growth of the championships and the increase in prestige since the

event's inception three-quarters of a century ago, people in the sport have reason to celebrate. The meet, which in 1921 featured 113 male student-athletes competing in 15 events over a two-day period, today showcases as many as of 388 male student-athletes in 21 events over a four-day period. The women's championships include up to 373 student-athletes. "The outdoor championship is one of the premier track and field meets in the world," said University of Florida men's track coach Doug Brown, a two-time NCAA 3,000-meter steeplechase champion (1973 and 1974) at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and the only men's track competitor to win a team title both as an athlete (1974, Tennessee) and coach (1991, Tennessee). "It always has been and continues to be a meet that showcases the best athletes the sport has to offer." George Baird, a track standout at the University of Iowa from 1925 to 1929, was one of those athletes. A fourth-place finisher in the 400-meter dash at the 1928 championship and

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Gymnastics

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The performance level of collegiate gymnasts is indeed growing by leaps and bounds. The winning NCAA team championship score went from 184.65 to 198.00 in the period from 1983 to 1993. Obviously we are not moving fast enough to accommodate the rapidly increasing skill levels of collegiate gymnasts. Contrary to one coach's opinion that somehow college-aged gymnasts can't be as good as younger ones, college-aged gymnasts are now among the best in the world, and they are getting better! Olympic hopefuls Shannon Miller, Dominique Dawes, Amanda Borden and Kerri Strug are all college-age. Whereas in the 1970s it was thought that 14- to 16-year-olds were better gymnasts, we have learned to train older gymnasts in improved strength and conditioning so nearly all collegiate gymnasts get better each year. In the March 20 national rankings, seven of the top 10 all-around gymnasts in the country were seniors. Similarly, four seniors and two juniors were the top six all-around gymnasts in the recent Southeastern Conference championships. Most college gymnasts are recruited as level 9 and 10 competitors. For this reason, our rules should parallel the J. O. rules, with minimum exceptions. To suggest that college gymnasts should regress to a lower standard of scoring than many of them have already advanced beyond runs counter to the desires of the athletes themselves and to the fans who support them and thrill to them. At the same time, gymnasts want the achievement of perfect scores to be reachable for a significant percentage of gymnasts in order to maintain the excitement of perfect-score expectations for themselves and for the fans. Taking these factors into account, although it is premature to recommend specific details, I believe that for all events except vaulting we should adopt the new code of points. After further study, we can make modifications to the code, specific to the needs of collegiate gymnasts (that is, specific values of skills and the start values). I would propose the option of choosing difficulty or combinations to acquire bonus points. For vaulting, we should modify the vaulting table to make certain that it accommodates the

increased vaulting skills of the current collegiate gymnasts and those who will enter college during the next four years. I believe that this puts us near where we should be and allows reasonable room for growth before the codes are modified again. This would raise the requirements for 10.0 start value to a level that is still achievable for many but sufficiently challenging, with room for judges to distinguish among the performers near the top. Moreover, the start value and modified code of points should be compatible with the scoring system that most collegiate gymnasts will have competed under immediately before college. We must face reality and accept the increased talent level and extended age of peak performance for collegiate gymnasts. Change is essential now because we have already outgrown the present system. When a team compiles a vault score of 49.925 (of a possible 50.00) and a gymnast scores four perfect 10.0s in one meet (a 10.0 on every event), it's past time to change. There must be room to improve. **Separate system invites chaos** I would not, however, propose adopting elite-level scoring, although it may give the University of Georgia a competitive advantage. Elite competition rules would make perfect scores attainable for too few gymnasts. We have learned that the fans want scores of the top gymnasts, but only the top ones, to be tantalizingly close to 10.0. Neither would I propose establishing a totally separate scoring system for collegiate gymnastics on a somewhat trial-and-error basis; that would invite chaos. Our current scoring systems have evolved over years, with a minimum number of changes. It has worked! Departing from the tried-and-true systems could be disastrous. As in all other competitive sports, rules should differ from one level to another only when absolutely necessary. **Parity** I am as concerned as any coach about the disparity of talent among intercollegiate women's gymnastics teams. But parity should be the natural outcome of addressing those problems that cause the disparity of talent; parity should not be a goal in itself. Under no circumstances should we attempt to achieve parity by

manipulating the scoring system. In the first place, it won't work. Such a move flies in the face of true competitive sports and is not attempted in any other sport at any level. Think of the reaction of a high jumper capable of clearing 7 feet when he is told that the bar will not be raised higher than 5 feet. It would send our student-athletes the wrong message about personal values. We all know what causes the disparity: inequity of resources. How can a team with six scholarships compete with one with 12? Increasing the number of scholarships from 10 to 12 will have a tendency to exacerbate the disparity. One outcome of the reduction in football scholarships was increased parity. But for other, quite valid, reasons, scholarships were increased for women's gymnastics. Because we want to promote our sport in a positive way, we should identify and attack the true inequities in intercollegiate gymnastics. There are inequities in coaches salaries, facilities, equipment, scholarships support, budgets, etc. We need to work together to bring the programs that are provided less support into line with the better-supported ones. We should take advantage of the fact that intercollegiate gymnastics has the highest average attendance of any women's sport. Attendance provides potential for increasing revenues and thereby reducing the deficit so that administrators will be willing to feed back into our programs revenues we produce. Increased resources will produce better teams, and better teams increase attendance and the cycle goes on. Gymnastics is the third most popular sport on television, according to the Sports Marketing Group. Collegiate gymnasts are more graceful, their maturity is more appealing to spectators, and the skills of many are indistinguishable from those of Olympic gymnasts. Working together to tap the full potential of women's collegiate gymnastics to increase resources is the way to achieve those goals that will result in increased parity. Manipulating scoring systems in any way that fails to reward excellence appropriately is wrong.

Suzanne Yoculan
Women's Gymnastics Coach
University of Georgia

Graduation rates

Goal of graduating all student-athletes is laudable, but other factors are involved in securing their educational welfare

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years, however, makes a six-year horizon somewhat difficult to reconcile. Myth No. 3: NCAA graduation rates include the entire athletics population. It is incorrect to assume that athletics graduation rates incorporate all student-athletes. For purposes of NCAA graduation-rates computation, student-athletes are divided between those receiving athletically related financial aid and those who do not. Athletes not receiving athletics aid are simply not counted as athletes. Often the omission of non-aided student-athletes tends to produce a lower graduation rate than if all participants were included. Myth No. 4 : Graduation rates should be an

important factor in a coach's evaluation. The role of a coach in the academic life of a student-athlete is an issue that has been debated for decades. The current trend appears to be strong encouragement from the coaching staff but a hands-off approach to the faculty/student relationship. Academic advising should reside in the academic units and not the athletics department. Athletics department academic support services tend to concentrate on tutorial, study hall and mentoring programs. Whether a coach should receive a bonus for a team's enhanced grade-point average or graduation rate is an issue of contention. The university may instruct the coach to keep clear of the academic arena yet reward the coach when a team's performance improves.

Myth No. 5: A higher graduation rate is always superior to a lower rate. The fact that someone receives a degree in a weak academic program may not be cause to celebrate. Counseling student-athletes toward eligibility rather than progress toward a degree often leads to student-athletes being forced to complete unattractive degree programs or to face a load of additional coursework to get back on track. Coaches and administrators must be careful when reviewing graduation-rates data since academic majors and course sequencing may be sacrificed in the process. **Graduation-rate enhancement** Just as coaches seem to automatically get bet-

ter when they recruit better athletes, so too does the academic enterprise benefit from a talented incoming scholar. Once on campus, an important factor is the quality and breadth of academic support services offered. Athletics and academic department personnel must remain cognizant of the services offered and the impact they have on the academic welfare of the student-athlete. Regardless of all other contributing factors, the most critical is probably the degree of commitment and effort expended by the student-athlete. *Michael L. Kasavana is faculty athletics representative at Michigan State University, where he is a professor in the school of hotel, restaurant and institutional management.*

■ Championships previews

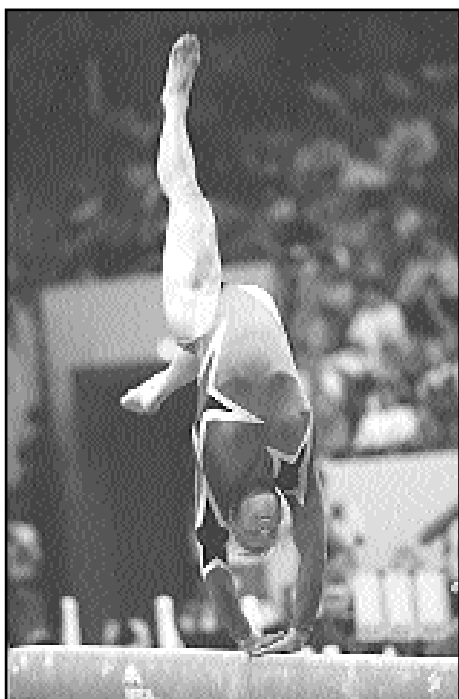
Women's Gymnastics

No. 1-ranked Georgia holds slight edge

Event: 1996 National Collegiate Women's Gymnastics Championships.

Overview: Picking the championships' top three teams has become rather simple. Picking the winner, however, often is difficult. Utah, Georgia and Alabama have dominated the team championship, combining to win all 14 titles to date. Utah is the two-time defending champion and has won a record nine championships overall. Georgia and Alabama have claimed three and two titles, respectively Based on regular-season scores, Georgia is the team to beat. The nation's No. 1-ranked team has an impressive regional qualifying average of 197.287. Lori Strong, Leah Brown, Leslie Angeles and Karin Lichey set the pace for the Bulldogs. Strong was a 1994 NCAA trichampion on the uneven bars. Lichey became the first collegiate gymnast to score a perfect 40.00 February 28 when she did it against Kentucky While Georgia has numbers on its side, Alabama has history in its favor. The Crimson Tide, runner-up at the last three championships, is hosting the event for the second time. Currently ranked No. 2, Alabama claimed the 1991 title as host of that year's championships. The Crimson Tide's hopes rely on Kim Kelly and Meredith Willard Utah, the nation's No. 4 team, is placing its hopes for a third consecutive championship on four seniors: Megan Caudle, Alysa Frenz, Jennifer Mercier and Sandy Woolsey Kentucky's Jenny Hansen likely will claim the spotlight in individual competition. Hansen, the only gymnast ever to win three consecutive all-around crowns, looks to add to her record eight individual championships.

Field: The championships field will include 12 teams, as well as 12 individuals who are not on a qualifying team. Seven teams and seven all-around competitors not already on qualifying teams competed at each of five regionals; the team and individual all-around winners in each region received an automatic berth in the national championships. The championships field will be filled with at-large



Dale Zanne/NCAA Photos

The individual spotlight will fall on Kentucky's Jenny Hansen, who holds a record eight titles.

teams and all-around competitors who qualified on the basis of regional scores.

Dates and sites: Regional competition was conducted April 13 at five sites. The championships will be April 25-27 at Alabama.

Television coverage: The championships will be televised tape-delayed by CBS at 3 p.m. (Eastern time) May 4.

Information/results: The fax-on-demand telephone number is 770/399-3066 (passcode 1915); request numbers are 1403 for bracket/schedule and 1406 for results. Championships results will appear in the May 6 issue of The NCAA News.

Championships notes: The host team has won the team championship six times in the event's 14-year history.

Men's Gymnastics

Newcomer could take winner's stand

Event: 1996 National Collegiate Men's Gymnastics Championships.

Overview: Only once in the last six years has a team other than Stanford or Nebraska won the team championship. Oklahoma accomplished the feat in 1991. This year, Ohio State, California and Iowa are the nation's three top-ranked teams, and one of that trio seems likely to win The Buckeyes, ranked No. 1, are the favorite. Seeking their second team title (they won the 1985 crown), the Buckeyes enter the championships after winning a third consecutive Big Ten Conference crown. Paced by juniors Blaine Wilson (two-time Big Ten gymnast of the year) and Drew Durbin (defending NCAA pommel-horse champion), the Buckeyes have managed a nation's-best regional qualifying average of more than 229.000 points. At the Big Ten championships March 30, Ohio State recorded 231.375 points — the highest score in the nation to date California, which has claimed two team crowns (the last in 1975), most likely also will be in the title hunt. The Golden Bears, ranked No. 2, defeated Iowa in a triangular meet in late March, posting a score of 230.425. California is led by all-around standout Trent Wells Iowa, which is looking to end a 26-year title drought, places its hopes on seniors Jay Thornton and Aaron Cotter. Defending NCAA floor exercise champion Thornton, who has been slowed by injuries, sets the pace for the No. 3-ranked Hawkeyes Nebraska, seeking a championships-record-tying ninth team title, has progressed throughout the year despite sporting a squad with only one senior — Jason Christie.

Field: Three teams will advance from each of two regionals; also advancing will be the top three individual all-around competitors who are not on one of the qualifying teams and the top three individuals in each event who do not qualify on a team or as an all-around competitor.

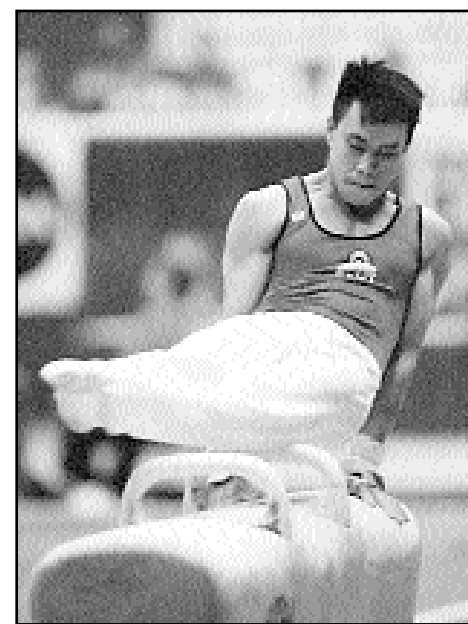
Dates and sites: Regional competition was April 13. The championships will be April 25-

27 at Stanford.

Television coverage: The championships will be televised tape-delayed by ESPN at 12:30 a.m. (Eastern time) May 14.

Information/results: The fax-on-demand telephone number is 770/399-3066 (passcode 1915); request numbers are 1396 for bracket/schedule and 1400 for results. Championships results will appear in the May 6 issue of The NCAA News.

Championships notes: Pacific-10 and Big Eight Conference teams have combined for 16 of the last 18 team championships. Big Eight representatives Nebraska (eight) and Oklahoma (two) have won 10 of the championships, while Pacific-10 members Stanford (three), UCLA (two) and Arizona State (one) have combined for six titles Stanford is hosting the championships for the first time. It also is the first time since 1987 that the championships have been on the West Coast.



Jamie Sabau/NCAA Photos

Ohio State's Drew Durbin is the defending pommel-horse champion.

Men's outdoor track

75th anniversary of championship

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1928 Olympic gold medalist in the event, he remembers the championships' early years and is awed by the sport's growth.

"(Track and field) was nothing like it is today," he said. "There weren't as many athletes or events. Everyone had to travel by train. A lot of schools couldn't afford to send athletes (to the meet). You have to remember, that was the middle of the depression. There was no money around.

"It wasn't nearly as big as it is today."

Key decisions

The championships' growth and the event's current status as the largest NCAA event in terms of competitors is largely attributable to two off-the-track decisions: a change in venue in 1934 and the adoption of qualifying standards in 1963.

For the first 12 years of the championships, the city of Chicago was the meet site; however, in 1934, the University of Southern California became championships host. The result? The most successful championships ever.

A record number of competitors (323) and record revenue (\$31,085.31 in receipts) were attained. It was the first time that the field of competitors exceeded 300 and that receipts exceeded \$10,000.

More importantly, the change in site vaulted track and field into the national spotlight. Standout athletes such as sprinter Jesse Owens of Ohio State and mile-run standout Glenn Cunningham of Kansas no longer were just names in a newspaper. Fans could now see the nation's top athletes compete.

The result was unparalleled growth not only in the championships' fan base but in the number of competitors. By the mid-1950s, the championships regularly drew in excess of 20,000 fans. The event also was drawing record numbers of competitors. In 1959, 444 student-athletes representing 103 institutions entered

Oregon viewed as perfect site for celebration

When the 1996 NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships commence May 29, it will mark the 75th anniversary of NCAA men's track and field.

It will be a special moment for those in the track and field community, and even more so because the event will be in Eugene, Oregon.

"It's only fitting that Eugene be the host site for the 75th anniversary of men's track and field," said Chick Hislop, men's track coach at Weber State University and a member of the NCAA Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. "It is a very special place for track and field. It probably is the best place we could be having the championship."

Eugene has vast experience as the host site of the outdoor championships. Eight times, Eugene has served in that capacity.

The 1996 championships will mark the second time this decade that the championships will be held in Eugene. Eugene also played host to the 1991 championships.

"(Eugene) is the track capital of the U.S.," said University of Florida men's track coach Doug Brown, who guided the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, to the 1991 team title in Eugene. "The tradition, the fans, the crowd appeal. The overall atmosphere in Eugene can't be matched anywhere else in the country."

Dubbed by many as the mecca of track and field, Eugene began its association with the national championships more than 30 years ago. From the start, it's been a perfect union.

In 1962, Eugene hosted its first national championships and

drew a crowd in excess of 13,000 for Saturday's final events. Two years later, Eugene again hosted the event, and more than 24,950 fans — including 12,000 for Saturday's final events — attended.

"The best-attended and best-run meets are always in Eugene," said Don Canham, former athletics director at the University of Michigan and the 1940 NCAA high-jump champion. "The interest in track is always more intense in Eugene than any other place. The true track fan lives in Eugene, Oregon. It's always been that way."

Athletes who have competed in Eugene — either in a dual meet or in national championships — agree. They say it is an extraordinary experience.

"Eugene is a special place for all competitors — especially distance runners, because it is the shrine of distance running, if not track and field," said former Villanova University standout Marty Liquori, a three-time NCAA individual-event champion in the mile run (1969 through 1971). "In many cities, track and field would be a second-class sport, but not in Eugene."

Brown, who finished third in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the 1972 championships in Eugene, agrees.

"You're guaranteed a great crowd when you hold a meet in Eugene," he said. "Everyone gets real excited about the meet. The fans are very knowledgeable. There's great coverage. The whole thing is electric. It's just an amazing experience. It's something everyone should experience."

On May 29, those attending the Division I Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships will know the feeling.

the championship.

"The (move) really put it into the spotlight," said Syd DeRoner, who began following track and field in the 1930s and began covering championships for Track and Field News in 1954. "At that

time, track and field was really big on the West Coast. More so than other parts of the country.

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Transition panels to study student-athlete involvement

The Oversight Committee on the NCAA Membership Structure has directed each division's transition team to examine the question of student-athlete representation in the Association's governance and legislative process.

Meeting March 29 in New York City, the committee reviewed a letter from the NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in which the student-athletes sought reassurance that the issue of student-athlete representation would be resolved in time for the 1997 NCAA Convention.

The oversight committee directed each division to study the matter in detail and to work with

the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in the process. Each division transition team is to report its conclusions back to the oversight committee for further consideration.

In other actions, the oversight committee:

- Approved a new name for itself. From now on, it will be known as the Transition Oversight Committee.
- Agreed to permit Division III to have two members plus one observer on the Transition Oversight Committee. The "observer" position is necessary because the current Division III representatives, James Appleton of the University of

Redlands and Daniel L. Bridges of the California Institute of Technology, will not be members of Division III's new governance structure when it takes effect in 1997. Division III Vice-President Bridget Belgiovine, athletics director at the University of Wisconsin, La Crosse, has been recommended to serve in the "observer" position since she will continue to serve in Division III's new structure.

- Agreed on a process whereby all three divisions must agree for a committee to be recommended as an Association-wide committee in the new structure.

- Recommended to the NCAA Council that it consider taking action to suspend elections at the 1997 Convention for the Presidents Commission, Council and Executive Committee.
- Asked the division transition teams to consider the effects of extending the terms of office for members of the Presidents Commission, Council and Executive Committee through August 1, 1997.
- Asked the staff to examine what body will have the authority to establish National Collegiate or division championships in the new structure.

II transition team McGee, Wolfe complete body's appointments

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(access, quality of competition, cost containment); selection criteria; regionalization; automatic qualification; and regional vs. national championships.

■ **Governance** (chair: Doug Echols, commissioner, South Atlantic Conference). Issues to discuss include: Association-wide committee recommendations, Division II committee structure revisions, composition of Division II committees (length of terms; representation by position, district or region; Management Council representation on committees), nomination and selection process, coaches' and student-athletes' participation in the Division II governance process, and identification of body or bodies to act between meetings of the Management and Presidents Councils.

■ **Division II financial aid issues** (chair: Karen Miller, director of athletics, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona). Issue: 1996 Convention Proposal No. 29 charged Division II with examining financial aid issues. A progress report is to be provided to the 1997 Convention, with possible legislation for 1998.

■ **Membership issues** (chair: Clint Bryant, director of athletics, Augusta College). Issues to be discussed include: Increasing sports-sponsorship requirements, possibility of subdivisions within Division II, provisional-membership issues (including lengthening provisional-membership period) and an assessment of membership "shifts" within NCAA divisions and the National Association of Intercollegiate

Athletics.

The presidents also appointed Anthony F. Ceddia, president of Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania, to chair a special seven-person Division II finance committee made up of four members of the Division II Presidents Commission subcommittee and three members of the Management Council Transition Team. The committee will be charged with reviewing Division II's budget strategy and formulating fiscal policies.

Athletics certification

In addition to the actions it took on restructuring matters, the presidents also discussed athletics certification for the division.

At the 1996 Convention, Division II delegates decisively defeated a proposal that would have required athletics certification for each member.

The presidents discussed how to proceed with the issue and considered the possibility of enhancing the institutional self-study program. They made no decisions but did agree to develop strategies that will be discussed at their June meeting.

In a related matter, the NCAA Joint Policy Board reviewed the question of funding for a Division II athletics-certification program. At the 1996 Convention, the Division II chair interpreted an NCAA Administrative Committee ruling to mean that a Division II athletics-certification program would be funded from general Association revenue (rather than Division II revenue) if a program is approved at the 1997 Convention.

The fact that the proposal was de-

DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL TRANSITION TEAM									
	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Region 1	Anthony F. Ceddia, Shippensburg	Ceddia	OPEN				OPEN		
Region 1	Jessica S. Kozloff, Bloomsburg	Kozloff	Kozloff	Kozloff	OPEN				OPEN
Region 2	Robert A. Burnett, Armstrong State	Burnett	Burnett	OPEN				OPEN	
Region 2	Adam W. Herbert, North Florida	Herbert	OPEN				OPEN		
Region 2	John T. Wolfe Jr., Savannah State	OPEN				OPEN			
Region 2	Jerry E. McGee, Wingate	McGee	McGee	McGee	OPEN				OPEN
Region 3	Wendell G. Rayburn, Lincoln (Missouri)	Rayburn	OPEN				OPEN		
Region 3	Albert J. Shannon, St. Joseph's (Indiana)	Shannon	Shannon	Shannon	OPEN				OPEN
Region 4	Charles D. Dunn, Henderson State	Dunn	Dunn	Dunn	OPEN				OPEN
Region 4	Judith A. Ramaley, Portland State	OPEN				OPEN			
Region 4	Marvalene Hughes, Cal State Stanislaus	Hughes	Hughes	OPEN				OPEN	
At large	Betty Turner Asher, South Dakota	Asher	Asher	OPEN				OPEN	
At large	Gladys Styles Johnston, Nebraska-Kearney	OPEN				OPEN			
Region 1—Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont.									
Region 2—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia.									
Region 3—Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin.									
Region 4—Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.									

feated at the 1996 Convention, rather than referred back to committee, led some to question whether the funding arrangement is still valid, but the Joint Policy Board agreed that it is.



Following are biographies of the two new Division II Presidents Council Transition Team members:

McGee

Jerry E. McGee served as vice-president of three colleges and universities before assuming his current position as president of Wingate.

In his 25-year education career, he has been the architect of fund-raising programs that have earned more than \$115 million for private higher edu-

cation. At Furman University, his development staff was selected as one of the nation's best among private colleges. He also has held top positions at Meredith College and Gardner-Webb University.

Since McGee's arrival in 1992, Wingate has been recognized as one of the best small liberal arts institutions in the South.

McGee earned his undergraduate degree from East Carolina University, a master's degree from Appalachian State University and a doctorate from Nova University.

Wolfe

John T. Wolfe Jr. has been president of Savannah State since 1993.

Wolfe — who also is chief execu-

tive officer of Wolfe and Associates, an educational consulting firm in Washington, D. C. — has been in higher education for three decades and previously was president of Kentucky State University. He also was provost and vice-president for academic affairs at Bowie State University and was academic dean at Fayetteville State University.

He was chair of the Kentucky delegation to the 1991 White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services and is the immediate past-president of the National Rainbow Coalition.

Wolfe graduated from Chicago Teachers College before earning a master's degree and doctorate from Purdue University.

Men's outdoor track

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"There were no pro sports in the area. The (NCAA) championship was the highlight of the track season. It was a big thing."

It became so big that in 1963, the track and field rules committee imposed definite qualifying standards. Previously, the committee selected the championships field based upon recommended standards.

The 1963 championships also marked the first time the meet was held over a three-day period. Before 1963, the championships were two-day affairs. The championships became a four-day event with the addition of women's competition in 1982.

Standards ensured quality

According to William Bowerman, former men's track and field coach at the University of Oregon and former chair of the NCAA track and field rules committee, championships qualifying standards were implemented to ensure the competitive quality of the meet.

"You'd be surprised at how many people would bring in a washwoman or janitor just so

they could see the meet," said Bowerman, who guided Oregon to four NCAA team titles between 1962 and 1970. "People would show up on the day of the event and expect to compete.

"Once we put in standards, we were able to control the fields. We also could control the quality of the meet. Before that, you'd never know who was going to show up."

Today, there is no question who will attend the championships. With only a few exceptions resulting from injury, the nation's brightest and most talented student-athletes always showcase their talents.

That, according to those within the track and field community, is what makes the championships the premier event that it is.

"The thing that makes this meet so special is that you see the nation's best athletes at their best," said Mel Rosen, former men's track and field coach at Auburn University and a member of the Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. "(The meet) is the cream. You'll always find the best athletes at this meet. Without question, it's the best meet with the best athletes."

That truly is something for men's track and field to celebrate.

Committee notices

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appointed to represent Division II women's tennis, effective September 1, 1996, replacing Pam Gill-Fisher, University of California, Davis, whose term expires at that time (page 55).

Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee: Lynn M. Ruddy, Bowdoin College, appointed to represent Division III women's track, effective September 1, 1996, replacing Branwen Smith-King, Tufts University, whose term expires at that time (page 56).

Wrestling Committee: Cindy Smith named as staff liaison for Divisions II and III championships (page 59).

Special committees

Investment Advisory Committee: New committee. Chair — Phyllis Howlett. Members — Harry Gaykian, senior vice-president and resident manager, Smith Barney, Fresno, California; James L. Nichols, treasurer, Ohio State University; Robert C. Eubanks Jr., president, Franklin Street Partner, Inc., Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Phyllis Howlett, Big Ten Conference, NCAA secretary-treasurer; James J. Martin, CPA, Robert Morris College.

Oversight Committee on the NCAA Membership Structure: Lynn L. Dorn, North Dakota State University, added to the committee.

Delete Tricia Bork and Stephen R. Morgan as staff liaisons and add Mike L. Racy (page 67).

Have a photo idea?

Mail photos (preferably black-and-white) to: Jack L. Copeland, Managing Editor, The NCAA News, 6201 College Boulevard, Overland Park, Kansas 66211-2422.

DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL TRANSITION TEAM

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Region 1	Anthony F. Ceddia, <i>Shippensburg</i>	Ceddia	OPEN				OPEN		
Region 1	Jessica S. Kozloff, <i>Bloomsburg</i>	Kozloff	Kozloff	Kozloff	OPEN				OPEN
Region 2	Robert A. Burnett, <i>Armstrong State</i>	Burnett	Burnett	OPEN				OPEN	
Region 2	Adam W. Herbert, <i>North Florida</i>	Herbert	OPEN				OPEN		
Region 2	John T. Wolfe Jr., <i>Savannah State</i>	OPEN				OPEN			
Region 2	Jerry E. McGee, <i>Wingate</i>	McGee	McGee	McGee	OPEN				OPEN
Region 3	Wendell G. Rayburn, <i>Lincoln (Missouri)</i>	Rayburn	OPEN				OPEN		
Region 3	Albert J. Shannon, <i>St. Joseph's (Indiana)</i>	Shannon	Shannon	Shannon	OPEN				OPEN
Region 4	Charles D. Dunn, <i>Henderson State</i>	Dunn	Dunn	Dunn	OPEN				OPEN
Region 4	Judith A. Ramaley, <i>Portland State</i>	OPEN				OPEN			
Region 4	Marvalene Hughes, <i>Cal State Stanislaus</i>	Hughes	Hughes	OPEN				OPEN	
At large	Betty Turner Asher, <i>South Dakota</i>	Asher	Asher	OPEN				OPEN	
At large	Gladys Styles Johnston, <i>Nebraska-Kearney</i>	OPEN				OPEN			

Region I—Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont.

Region 2—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia.

Region 3—Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin.

Region 4—Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS
James J. Darazsdl, chief executive officer at Rocco Enterprises, Inc., in Harrisonburg, Virginia, named president at Nichols ... Georgia Southwestern announced the appointment of Michael L. Hanes as president, effective August 1. Hanes is dean of the school of education at West Chester ... Robert A. Hoover, vice-president for academic affairs at Nevada, selected as president at Idaho ... West Liberty State announced the appointment of Ronald M. Zaccari, effective July 1. Zaccari is provost and vice-president for academic affairs at Southwestern Louisiana.

DIRECTORS OF ATHLETICS
Stephen Juaire announced his resignation at Winona State. Juaire became men's athletics director in 1991 and director of the combined men's and women's programs in 1992 ... Paul Hoseth named at Pacific Lutheran, where he also will be dean of the school of physical education. Hoseth replaces David Olson, who will retire in June after 28 years at Pacific Lutheran ... William and Mary appointed Edward C. "Terry" Driscoll Jr. to succeed acting director Barbara Blosser, effective in June. Driscoll was a basketball all-American at Boston College before an 11-year career as a player in the NBA and as a player and coach in the Italian professional basketball league. He then pursued a career in athletics management and sales ... Terry Rupert hired at Wilmington (Ohio) after three years at West Virginia Tech.

ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS OF ATHLETICS
Debby De Angelis appointed associate athletics director for internal operations at Towson State. She replaces Dino Mattessich, who resigned in December to take a job at Maine. De Angelis has been in athletics administration at Cal State Northridge since 1989 as business manager, associate AD for business affairs and, since 1995, as associate AD for administration and operations. She also was assistant AD and women's crew coach at Northeastern for 10 years and women's crew coach at Massachusetts from 1977 to 1979 ... Clyde Hart given additional

MEAC selects Charles Harris as commissioner


The Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference announced the selection of Charles S. Harris, former athletics director at Arizona State, as its new commissioner, effective July 15.

Harris succeeds Kenneth A. Free, whose contract expires June 30.

During 10 years at Arizona State, Harris helped plan and raise funds for \$20 million worth of major construction projects. He resigned from the post last June.

Harris has served as chair of the NCAA Committee on Financial Aid and Amateurism and as a member of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee.

He was athletics director at Pennsylvania for eight years before going to Arizona State. He began his career in athletics administration at Michigan, where he was assistant athletics director.



Harris

duties as associate athletics director at Baylor. He will continue as track coach.

ASSISTANT DIRECTORS OF ATHLETICS
Olivet announced the appointment of Nancy VanHoozier, effective August 1. She will continue to serve as head men's and women's cross country coach and chair of the school's division of health, physical education and recreation. VanHoozier also is senior woman administrator at Olivet ... Jimmy Gonzales hired at Texas as assistant AD for football operations

COACHES
Men's basketball—James Green appointed head coach at Southern Mississippi after serving as assistant coach the past two seasons at Iowa State. Green replaces M. K. Turk, who resigned in March after 20 years as head coach. Green has eight years of coaching experience, all as an assistant. Before Iowa State, he served at Idaho, Texas A&M and Alabama ... Joe Ramsey resigned at Millikin but will remain at the school as

golf coach and special assistant to the athletics director. He was golf coach at the school in 1976 and 1977 and associate athletics director from 1977 to 1989. Tim Lit-trell was promoted from assistant to take over the basketball program. He is a Millikin graduate who twice was named most valuable player on the basketball team. He joined the basketball staff in 1978 ... Tennessee extended the contract of Kevin O'Neill through 2001 ... Seth Greenberg appointed at South Florida after six years at Long Beach State. He replaces Bobby Paschal, who resigned in February after 10 seasons. Greenberg served as an assistant at Pittsburgh, Virginia and Miami (Florida) before going to Long Beach State. He led the 49ers to a 17-11 record and the Big West Conference regular-season title this season ... Jerry Slocum, who coached Geneva to the NAIA tournament quarterfinals this season, hired at Gannon. Slocum succeeds Bob Dukiet, whose contract was not renewed. Slocum was 202-81 in nine seasons at

April 15-17	Council	Kansas City, Missouri
April 15-18	Men's and Women's Skiing Committee	Overland Park, Kansas
April 19-21	Committee on Infractions	Philadelphia
April 21-23	Men's Basketball Rules Committee	Destin, Florida
April 21-23	Women's Basketball Rules Committee	Destin, Florida
April 22-23	Two-Year College Relations Committee	Kansas City, Missouri
April 23-26	Special Events Committee	Tempe, Arizona
April 29	Budget Subcommittee	Destin, Florida
April 29-30	Title IX seminar	Boston
April 30-May 1	Divisions I, II and III Championships Committees	Destin, Florida
April 30-May 2	Executive Committee	Destin, Florida
May 6-7	Division I Men's Basketball Committee	Atlanta
May 7-10	Men's Ice Hockey Rules Committee	Kansas City, Missouri
May 8-10	Regional rules-compliance seminar	St. Louis

Geneva ... North Carolina-Charlotte promoted Melvin Watkins to head coach to succeed retiring Jeff Mullins. Watkins spent 22 of the past 23 years in the North Carolina-Charlotte program. He was a member of school teams that reached the National Invitation Tournament championship game in 1976 and the Final Four in 1977. After playing professionally for one season, he returned to his alma mater as assistant coach. He had been associate head coach since 1989 ... Suffolk's Jim Nelson announced his retirement as head coach. The school appointed assistant coach Dennis McHugh as his replacement. Nelson, who will continue as athletics director at the school, was head coach for 19 years before taking a sabbatical leave this season. McHugh, an assistant at Suffolk for five years, handled head coaching duties in Nelson's absence.

Gary Waters, associate head coach at Eastern Michigan, named head coach at Kent. Waters had been at Eastern Michigan since 1989, serving first as assistant head coach and then as associate head coach for the past three seasons. Before that, he spent 14 years on the staff at his alma mater, Ferris State ... Greg Yarlett named interim head coach at Kennesaw State for the 1996-97 season. The search for a permanent replacement will begin in late January 1997.

Yarlett replaces Phil Zenoni, who resigned to accept the position of assistant to the athletics director at the school. Zenoni compiled a 163-156 record over the past 11 seasons. Yarlett has been an assistant for 14 years, including stints at Middle Georgia College, Jacksonville State and West Alabama.

Men's basketball assistants—Southern California appointed David Miller as assistant coach. He was on the staff at Utah State for the past three years and before that was an assistant at Lamar, Army, Arizona State and Texas ... David Zimroth appointed at South Florida ... Robert McCullum selected at Illinois. McCullum previously was an assistant at Florida and also has coached at Kansas State, Southern Illinois and South Alabama.

Women's basketball—Columbia-Barnard announced the resignation of Kerry Phayre after five years. Phayre's Columbia squads were 17-113. She previously was an assistant at Boston College, St. John's (New York) and Vermont ... The contract of Jackie Pinnix was not renewed by North Carolina Central ... Terry Gray appointed at Texas-San Antonio to succeed Jeff Spivey, who re-

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Polls

Division I All-Around Athletics Programs
The Sears Directors' Cup top 25 NCAA Division I all-around athletics programs through April 2, administered by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics and based on performance to date in NCAA men's and women's championships. Championships included in this ranking are fall-season championships and the winter sports of wrestling, men's ice hockey, and men's and women's basketball, fencing, rifle, skiing, swimming and diving, and indoor track. Points are awarded on the basis of an institution's finish in each of 22 sports. These standings are unofficial.
1. Stanford, 634 1/2; 2. Penn State, 505; 3. Michigan, 479 1/2; 4. Wisconsin, 465 1/2; 5. North Carolina, 458 1/2; 6. Texas, 428 1/2; 7. Nebraska, 423; 8. UCLA, 403; 9. Southern Methodist, 394 1/2; 10. Florida, 390; 11. Ohio State, 370; 12. Notre Dame, 362 1/2; 13. Auburn, 357 1/2; 14. Georgia, 351; 15. Tennessee, 350; 16. Colorado, 348 1/2; 17. Michigan State, 341; 18. Arkansas, 337; 19. Kentucky, 328 1/2; 20. Texas A&M, 324 1/2; 21. Air Force, 314; 22. Iowa State, 297; 23. Iowa, 290 1/2; 24. Kansas, 289; 25. Arizona, 288.
Division I Baseball
The USA Today/Baseball Weekly top 25 NCAA Division I baseball teams through March 31 as selected by the American Baseball Coaches Association, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Cal St. Fullerton (30-2)825
2. Texas Tech (35-4)781
3. Wichita St. (16-2)731
4. Florida St. (28-4)725
5. LSU (25-5)671
6. Southern Cal (24-8)651
7. Florida (26-7)636
8. Clemson (24-6)577
9. Cal St. Northridge (31-6)530
10. Arkansas (27-6)513
11. Miami (Fla.) (23-5)495
12. Alabama (23-10)406
13. Oklahoma St. (21-7)385
14. UCLA (19-11)344
15. North Caro. St. (25-7)314
16. South Fla. (26-7)293
17. Stanford (20-12)214
18. Tennessee (15-10)184
19. Texas A&M (24-12)162
20. Auburn (20-9)149
21. Duke (26-5)147
22. Texas (24-13)115
23. Georgia Tech (19-9)104
24. Oklahoma (20-10)93
25. UNLV (27-11)91
Division II Baseball
The Collegiate Baseball top 25 NCAA Division

II baseball teams through April 1, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Delta St. (31-2)480
2. St. Leo (31-5)460
3. North Ala. (27-4)452
4. UC Riverside (28-8)422
5. Kennesaw St. (23-10)416
6. Tampa (29-8)404
7. Mo.-St. Louis (14-2)382
8. Lewis (19-6)370
9. Ala.-Huntsville (25-8)326
10. Cal St. Dom. Hills (20-10)324
11. Columbus (20-7)322
12. Fla. Southern (27-10)320
13. UC Davis (19-11)280
14. Mercyhurst (14-3)276
15. St. Joseph's (Ind.) (15-6)236
16. New Haven (7-1)228
17. South Dak. St. (10-2)226
18. Elon (23-10)210
19. Mansfield (13-6)200
20. Indianapolis (16-6)152
21. Central Mo. St. (18-10)150
22. Lenoir-Rhyne (22-10)140
23. St. Rose (15-5-1)114
24. Wingate (20-11)98
25. Quincy (16-7-1)94
Men's Gymnastics
The top 20 NCAA men's gymnastics teams through April 1, based on the teams' regional qualifying averages as reported by the Collegiate Gymnastics Association:
1. Ohio St.230.6917
2. Iowa229.2667
3. California.....228.9583
4. Nebraska226.8167
5. Michigan St.226.2083
6. Penn St.225.8167
7. Temple224.9333
8. Oklahoma224.8850
9. Minnesota224.7583
10. New Mexico224.6500
11. Ill.-Chicago224.3500
12. Brigham Young224.1333
13. Illinois224.1250
14. Syracuse223.3967
15. Massachusetts223.0650
16. Stanford222.6500
17. William & Mary222.1917
18. Western Mich.221.8750
19. Navy221.6633
20. Army219.5167

Women's Gymnastics
The top 20 NCAA women's gymnastics teams through April 2, based on regional qualifying averages as reported by the National Association of Collegiate Gymnastics Coaches/Women:
1. Georgia197.287
2. Alabama196.806
3. Michigan195.919
4. Utah195.769
5. Florida.....195.569
6. Oregon St.195.431
7. Brigham Young194.994
8. Arizona.....194.956
9. UCLA194.712
10. Michigan St.194.450
11. Kentucky194.319
12. Arizona St.194.175
13. Nebraska194.050
14. Minnesota193.706
15. Iowa St.193.656
16. Auburn193.569
17. Washington193.300
18. Stanford193.269
19. West Va.193.219
20. Utah St.193.194
Division I Men's Ice Hockey
The final USA Today/American Hockey Magazine top 10 NCAA Division I men's ice hockey teams, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Michigan (34-7-2)100
2. Colorado Col. (33-5-4)90
3. Boston U. (30-7-3)80
4. Vermont (27-7-4)68
5. Minnesota (30-10-2)58
6. Lake Superior St. (30-8-2)52
7. Mass.-Lowell (26-10-4)40
8. Clarkson (25-10-3)28
9. Michigan St. (28-13-1)15
10. Western Mich. (27-11-3)13
Division I Men's Lacrosse
The top 20 NCAA Division I men's lacrosse teams through April 1 as selected by the U.S. Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Virginia (6-1)194
2. Maryland (6-1)192
3. Princeton (4-1)184
4. Johns Hopkins (3-2)170
5. Syracuse (5-2)156
6. Brown (4-2)146
7. North Caro. (6-3)131
8. Penn St. (7-1)111
9. Loyola (Md.) (3-3)107
10. Duke (5-3)105
11. Notre Dame (5-1)103
12. Harvard (3-0)96
13. Hofstra (4-2)91
14. Towson St. (2-3)64

15. Army (4-2)60
16. Georgetown (4-3)58
17. Bucknell (5-0)39
18. Massachusetts (NA)35
19. Hobart (1-3)22
20. Dartmouth (2-1)15
Division I Women's Lacrosse
The Brine top 15 NCAA Division I women's lacrosse teams through March 31 as listed by the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association, with records:
1. Maryland, 8-0; 2. Loyola (Md.), 7-0; 3. Penn State, 5-2; 4. Virginia, 5-2; 5. Princeton, 5-1; 6. James Madison, 4-3; 7. Temple, 6-1; 8. Yale, 5-0; 9. Dartmouth, 3-2; 10. Delaware, 3-4; 11. Georgetown, 4-2; 12. Brown, 6-0; 13. Old Dominion, 2-5; 14. North Carolina, 8-1; 15. Lehigh, 5-1
Division II Men's Lacrosse
The top 10 NCAA Division II men's lacrosse teams through April 1 as selected by the U.S. Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Adelphi (3-1)87
2. LIU-C. W. Post (4-0)81
3. New York Tech (5-0)75
4. St. Andrews (2-4)61
5. Sacred Heart (3-1)39
6. LIU-Southampton (3-0)38
7. Le Moyne (1-3)33
7. Pfeiffer (4-3)33
9. Limestone (4-2)29
10. West Chester (4-3)14
Division III Men's Lacrosse
The top 20 NCAA Division III men's lacrosse teams through April 1 as selected by the U.S. Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Salisbury St. (8-0)220
2. Nazareth (4-0)209
3. Ohio Wesleyan (4-2)192
4. Denison (4-2)182
5. Frank. & Marsh. (4-2)172
6. Middlebury (4-0)167
7. Cortland St. (4-2)158
8. Wash. & Lee (6-2)145
9. Roanoke (4-2)121
10. Washington (Md.) (5-3)117
11. Hartwick (4-1)109
11. Gettysburg (3-2)109
13. Rochester Inst. (2-2)80
14. Springfield (1-3)70
15. Ithaca (0-2)60
16. Alfred (4-2)40
17. Williams (2-0)38
18. Hampden-Sydney (6-2)37
19. Western Md. (6-0)30
20. Connecticut Col. (3-1)20

Division II Women's Softball
The top 20 NCAA Division II women's softball teams through April 2, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Wis.-Parkside (32-1-1)160
2. Calif. (Pa.) (15-2)149
3. UC Davis (26-6)146
4. Neb.-Omaha (23-4)130
5. Neb.-Kearney (29-6)125
6. Kennesaw St. (21-6)115
7. Barry (24-7)107
8. American Int'l (9-3)97
9. Ashland (12-7)88
9. South Dak. St. (22-6)88
11. Humboldt St. (34-8)87
12. Fla. Southern (28-4)86
13. Bloomsburg (16-3)61
14. Central Mo. St. (16-5)57
15. Columbus (28-6)53
16. Sonoma St. (25-9)35
16. Merrimack (7-3)35
18. Mo. Southern St. (23-3)21
19. Carson-Newman (23-5)17
20. Valdosta St. (26-7)13
Men's Volleyball
The USA Today/American Volleyball Coaches Association top 15 NCAA men's volleyball teams through April 2, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Hawaii (21-1)239
2. UCLA (17-3)225
3. Long Beach St. (18-4)208
4. Stanford (13-5)181
5. Cal St. Northridge (13-8)167
6. UC Santa Barb. (9-7)164
7. Lewis (24-2)139
8. Pacific (Cal.) (14-8)125
9. Ohio St. (19-4)106
10. Penn St. (17-4)91
11. Ball St. (21-6)84
12. Pepperdine (12-9)77
13. Brigham Young (8-10)55
14. Southern Cal (7-10)41
15. UC Irvine (7-13)9
Division III Men's Volleyball
The top 10 NCAA Division III men's volleyball teams through April 2 as selected by the American Volleyball Coaches Association, with records in parentheses and points:
1. Juniata (15-6)139
2. Springfield (18-6)125
3. UC San Diego (4-16)114
4. La Verne (5-21)95
5. East Mennonite (11-12)78
6. N.J. Inst. of Tech. (18-10)72
7. Vassar (10-7)60
8. Roger Williams (25-5)45
9. New York U. (6-16)22
10. New Paltz St. (11-11)14

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signed in March. Gray joins the Texas-San Antonio staff after leading Howard College to two conference championships, a National Junior College Athletic Association regional championship and a trip to the 1995 NJCAA national tournament He is a former graduate assistant at his alma mater, Sam Houston State ... Peggy Sells resigned at Virginia Commonwealth ... Adrienne Shibles appointed at Swarthmore ... Indiana (Pennsylvania) did not renew the contract of Jan Kiger.

Football—Georgia Southern announced the contract of Tim Stowers would not be renewed. Frank Ellwood was appointed interim coach for the 1996 season.

Football assistants—D. J. Vokolek, a graduate assistant coach at Nebraska-Omaha for the past three years, hired to coach the defensive secondary at Wayne State (Nebraska). Vokolek coached the defensive line last season at Nebraska-Omaha and earlier coached linebackers. The four-year letterman at Nebraska-Kearney replaces Mark Gritton, who became head coach at West Hills College ... Monmouth (New Jersey) appointed Andy Bobik defensive coordinator ... Pat Stewart hired as defensive coordinator at Olivet. He also will be head men's and women's track coach. Stewart was a four-year letterman and defensive MVP at Western State before beginning his coaching career, which includes five years as linebacker coach at his alma mater, one year as a defensive ends coach at Northern Colorado and six years as a strength and conditioning coach ... Mike Stoops, defensive ends coach at Kansas State for the past four seasons, promoted to codefensive coordinator at the school. Kansas State also hired Sean Sheppard as assistant strength and conditioning coach. Sheppard has been in a similar position at San Diego State for five years ... Emporia State selected Matt Wallerstedt as defensive backfield coach. Wallerstedt was an all-American linebacker at Kansas State and spent the past two seasons as defensive line coach at Fort Hays State. He replaces Scott Chandler, who accepted a coaching position at St. Augustine's High School in Florida. Emporia State also announced that

Larry Antonucci, wide receivers coach and administrative assistant, has been elevated from part-time to full-time status.

Men's golf—Joe Ramsey appointed at Millikin. Ramsey relinquished his duties as head men's basketball coach to return to coaching golf. He was golf coach at the school in 1976 and 1977. He also will be special assistant to the athletics director.

Men's soccer—Olivet selected Doug Booth as head men's soccer coach. A varsity player at Purdue, Booth was an assistant coach at Lewis for three years and earlier served on the staff at DePaul. He also will be an adjunct professor in the health, physical education and recreation department and the mathematics department at Olivet ... Carl Rees appointed at Fairfield to succeed Jim McElderry, who was interim coach during the 1995 season. Rees previously served for four years as an assistant at Hartwick, where he played before becoming a professional with the Albany Capitals of the American Professional Soccer League. He also was assistant coach at Plattsburgh State and a graduate assistant at Frostburg State ... Former Georgia Southern standout goalie Kevin Chambers named head coach at his alma mater after serving as assistant men's and women's coach there for the past two years. Chambers, who will continue to work with the women's team, replaces Tom Norton, who is relinquishing duties with the men's team to become director of soccer at the school.

Men's soccer assistant—Jamie Smith hired at Dartmouth

Women's soccer—Sewanee (University of the South) appointed Margot Burns. Burns has been head boys' and girls' coach at St. Andrew's-Sewanee School since 1990. She was a midfielder at Colorado College, which participated in the NCAA Division I tournament three of her four seasons ... Cori Houston resigned at UC Santa Cruz to begin a summer soccer day camp for youth. She began coaching at UC Santa Cruz in 1989 and developed the women's program from a club sport into a varsity program. Houston was head of athletics at the school from 1991 to 1994 and in 1994 received the Santa Cruz County Women's Commission's Woman of the Year Award for her efforts in development of women's sports.

Women's softball—St. Francis (New York) hired Mickey Tighe as women's softball coach, replacing Darlene Crowe, who resigned. Tighe became an assistant coach at St. Francis last season after eight seasons as a coach at Port Richmond High School in Staten Island, New York. Crowe compiled a 93-158 record during eight seasons as head coach. Her best season was in 1992, when the Terriers finished 24-8.

Women's softball assistant—Holly Vietzke appointed at Emerson-Massachusetts College of Art. She was a member of the Boston U. softball team that won the North Atlantic Conference and Eastern College Athletic Conference championships in 1992. As a four-year starter at Boston U., Vietzke set the school's career stolen bases record.

Men's and women's swimming and diving—Scott Farmer relinquished his coaching responsibilities in men's and women's swimming to concentrate on duties as assistant athletics director for student-athlete services. In nine seasons as head coach of the Lady Eagles, Farmer compiled a 67-25 record; he was 19-19 during three years with the men's program. He was named scholar-athlete of the year in 1985 while a student at Georgia Southern ... Kathleen Bloom appointed at Canisius to replace Jason Ryan, who resigned after two years as the Golden Griffins' coach. Bloom is assistant director of health services at the Buffalo (New York) American Red Cross and has been the Griffis' assistant coach since 1995. She was an all-American and set a Division III record in the 50-yard butterfly at William Smith. She served as assistant director of aquatics and assistant women's swimming coach at Buffalo from 1987 to 1992 ... Martin Smith resigned at Arkansas.

Men's tennis—Dave Morin, head men's tennis coach at Bowling Green for the past five years, appointed at Western Michigan. He replaces Jack Vredevelt, who will retire at the end of the season. Vredevelt has compiled a 342-198 record during 23 years at Western Michigan and ranks 26th nationally with 452 wins over a 30-year coaching career. Morin was a four-year letterman at Minnesota.

Men's and women's track and field—Pat Stewart hired to coach the new men's

and women's track and field teams at Olivet, which will begin competition during the 1996-97 academic year. Stewart also will be defensive coordinator for the school's football program.

Women's volleyball—Rollins appointed Jackie Hadel, who has been assistant women's volleyball coach at Clemson. Hadel was a four-year letter-winner at Tampa as a setter/defensive specialist and became an assistant coach at Western Maryland in 1992. She moved to Clemson in 1993.

Wrestling—Mike English named at St. Thomas (Minnesota) to replace Tim Krieger, who resigned after three seasons to devote more time to his family and business. English, a high-school physical education teacher, won a state prep wrestling title at La Crosse (Wisconsin) Aquinas High School and served for 10 seasons there as an assistant coach. He was head coach in 1992-93 at Madison (Wisconsin) Holy Name High School.

STAFF

Assistant to the athletics director—Phil Zenoni appointed at Kennesaw State. He relinquished his duties as head men's basketball coach.

CONFERENCES

The Big Ten Conference announced the following staff changes: Jo Ann Dial, assistant to the commissioner, named director of external relations; Mary Masters, managing editor and director of special projects, named managing editor and director of sports management; Ryan McElrath, computer systems specialist intern, appointed director of computer systems and sports management; and Karen Regan, secretary, named legislative assistant.

ASSOCIATIONS

The Sugar Bowl announced the resignation of Troy Mathieu as executive director.

Notables

Keri Phebus, a Pacific-10 Conference indoor tennis champion at UCLA, selected to receive the Gladys Heldman Award, and Jeff Salzenstein, Stanford's No. 1 tennis player as a junior and winner of the Rolex championship this year in Dallas, selected to receive the Dan Magill Award. The awards will be presented at a banquet June

8 in Irving, Texas.

Phil Eatherton of Ball State selected as the American Volleyball Coaches Association men's national player of the week after leading Ball State to a pair of victories. The junior middle blocker had 22 kills, 14 digs, nine blocks and a .472 hitting percentage for the week. Eatherton was ranked No. 11 in the country in hitting percentage (.399) last week. He has posted double-digit kills in 43 matches.

Marcus Camby, who led Massachusetts to a 35-2 record and its first NCAA Final Four appearance, received the John R. Wooden Award as college basketball player of the year. Camby also was named college basketball player of the year by The Associated Press.

Gene Keady of Purdue named college coach of the year by The Associated Press after guiding Purdue to its third straight outright Big Ten Conference title, a feat last achieved in the early 1960s by Ohio State.

Deaths

Robert Alexander "Bones" Hamilton, a standout football running back at Stanford from 1933 to 1935, died at his home in Palm Springs, California, April 1. He was 83. Hamilton was considered an outstanding all-around athlete who played defense and returned kicks as well as running and blocking on offense.

Barney Ewell, an Olympic gold medalist in 1948, died April 4 in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He was 78. Several years after winning NCAA championships at Penn State, Ewell won an Olympic gold medal and two silver medals as a sprinter for the United States at the 1948 Olympic Games in London. He won consecutive NCAA titles in the 100- and 200-yard sprints in 1940 and 1941. Ewell was inducted into the National Track and Field Hall of Fame in 1986 and still ranks among the top 10 all-time sprinters.

Former Canisius baseball player Brian Riniolo died February 20 at age 22. Riniolo tied the Canisius record for hits last season with 53 and led the Golden Griffis with a .373 batting average. He was named to the New York Upstate all-star team.

—Compiled by Sally Huggins

The Market

Readers of The NCAA News are invited to use The Market to locate candidates for positions open at their institutions, to advertise open dates in their playing schedules or for other purposes relating to the administration of intercollegiate athletics. In addition, individuals seeking employment in intercollegiate athletics also are welcome to place positions-wanted advertisements.

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Athletics Trainer

Assistant Athletic Trainer. The University of San Diego, an NCAA Division I member of the West Coast Conference and an NCAA Division I-AA member of the Pioneer Football League, invites applications and nominations for the position of assistant athletic trainer. The University of San Diego is a private Catholic institution with an enrollment of 6,000 undergraduate and graduate students. Intercollegiate sports for men include baseball, basketball, crew, cross country, football, golf, soccer and tennis. For women, U.S.D. fields teams in basketball, crew, cross country, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis and volleyball. Responsibilities: Assist the head athletic trainer in administering the athletics training services for all student-athletes. This includes, but is not limited to, injury prevention, evaluation, treatment, rehabilitation, maintenance of medical records, providing practice and game coverage, and administrative duties. The assistant athletic trainer is directly involved in the supervision and education of the student athletic training interns. Primary sport responsibilities to be determined. Qualifications: Master's degree and N.A.T.A. certification required; two years' experience (A.T.C.) working at the collegiate level; a commitment to N.A.T.A. ethics and university regulations. Demonstrated knowledge in recognition, evaluation and rehabilitation techniques, with manual skills preferred. Good organizational and communication skills with the ability to relate to both male and female athletes are required. Salary: Commensurate with background and experience. Timeliness: The start date for the position is August 1, 1996. It is currently a 10-month contract, with full benefits. Applications are being accepted until May 1, 1996; however the position will remain open until a suitable applicant is found. Application Procedure: Interested candidates should send a letter of application, resume, and the names, titles, addresses and telephone numbers of three references to: Carolyn T. Greer, M.A., A.T.C., Head Athletic Trainer, Sports Center, University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, CA 92110-2492. Equal Opportunity Employer.

Staff Athletic Trainer, University of Notre Dame. The Department of Athletics seeks a staff athletic trainer to assist with athletic training responsibilities for all sports in the Notre Dame intercollegiate program. Working with a staff of eight, this athletic trainer will be responsible for the overall supervision, administration and travel of assigned sports with probable involvement with the softball, tennis, fencing and track teams. This athletic trainer also assists with supervision of student athletic trainers. Qualification include a master's degree and N.A.T.A. certification, preferably with two or more years' experience at the Division I college/university level. Physical therapists are encouraged to apply for this position and future possibilities. This is a full-time appointment with an excellent benefits package. Applicants should send resume, cover letter and two letters of recommendation by April 30, 1996, to: Athletic Trainer Search Committee, Human Resources, Security Bldg., Notre Dame, IN 46556. Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Assistant Athletic Trainer. Long Island University-Brooklyn Campus is seeking qualified applicants for the position of assistant athletic trainer. Candidates should have prior experience as an assistant, head or graduate assistant trainer at the collegiate level. A bachelor's degree and N.A.T.A. certification is required. Master's degree is preferred. The salary is commensurate with experience and education. Long Island University is an NCAA Division I member institution and competes

in the Northeast Conference. The assistant athletic trainer is responsible for assisting the head trainer in the care and prevention of athletic injuries, management and supervision of daily training room operations including staff, budgets, reconditioning protocols and individual game assignments. All applicants please send a cover letter, resume and three letters of reference to: Terri Campo, Office of the Chancellor, Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus, 1 University Plaza, Brooklyn, NY 11201.

Assistant Athletic Trainer. The Virginia Military Institute invites applications for the position of assistant athletic trainer. Duties: Work with the director of sports medicine in all aspects of the training room operation. Qualification Standards: Master's degree in athletic training, sports medicine, or related field with N.A.T.A. certification required. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Placement will begin July 1, 1996. Send letter of application, resume and three letters of reference to: Personnel Office, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, VA 24450-0304. Application Deadline: June 1, 1996. VMI IS AN Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate against anyone because of race, color, religion, national origin, political affiliation, sex, age or disability.

Athletic Trainer/Instructor in Physical Education. (10-month position starting date: August 1, 1996) Responsibilities: Implement athletic trainer certification and oversee program. Athletic trainer for all sports. Liaison with community and medical personnel. Responsible to head coaches and H.P.E.R. department head. Other duties assigned. Qualifications: Certified athletic trainer. Master's degree with experience preferred. Salary: Commensurate with qualifications and experience. Position open until filled. Q.S.U. is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Applicants should submit a letter of application, resume, and names and phone numbers of at least three references to: Delilah Headrick, Personnel, Oklahoma Panhandle State University, P.O. Box 430, Goodwell, OK 73939, 405/349-2611.

Athletics Trainer: Emporia State University invites applications for a 10-month renewable position of athletics trainer beginning August 1, 1996. Responsibilities include athletics training for men's and women's intercollegiate program, teaching in H.P.E.R. program, and other duties as assigned. Master's degree in a relevant field required. Training and teaching experience preferred. Screening will begin May 9, 1996, and continue until position is filled. Send letter of application, resume, three current letters of reference and transcripts of degrees to: Director of Athletics, Campus Box 4020, Emporia State University, Emporia, KS 66801-5087. Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Instructor in H.P.E.R./Assistant Athletic Trainer, South Dakota State University. Ten-month term position, instructor in H.P.E.R. department, clinical supervision in athletic training program, provide athletic training services to S.D.S.U. athletes. Earned master's in H.P.E.R. (or related field), athletic training certification through N.A.T.A., one academic year full- or part-time experience supervising student athletic trainers, experience in rehabilitation of athletic injuries, demonstrated effective communication and interpersonal relationship skills required. Preference given to candidates with previous experience in clinical instruction of student athletic trainers and teaching experience in athletic training coursework at the college/university level. Appointment: July 15, 1996. Send letter of application, resume, current N.A.T.A.

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NCAA Bylaw 13.1.1.3

Four-year college prospects — contacts

NCAA institutions should note that in accordance with Bylaw 13.1.1.3, an athletics staff member or other representative of the institution's athletics interest is not permitted to make contact with a student-athlete of another four-year collegiate institution, directly or indirectly, without first obtaining the written permission of the first institution's athletics director (or his or her designated representative) to do so, regardless of who makes the initial contact. If such permission is granted, all applicable NCAA recruiting rules apply. During its May 25, 1995, telephone conference, the NCAA Interpretations Committee determined that once an institution grants permission to a student-athlete to contact another four-year institution regarding a possible transfer, it is not permissible for the institution to revoke such permission. Such permission, however, expires at the time the student-athlete enrolls again at his or her original institution as a full-time student during the subsequent academic year. Further, if permission is not granted, the second institution is not permitted to encourage the transfer and, in Divisions I and II, may not provide financial assistance to the student-athlete until the student-athlete has attended the institution for one academic year.

Please note that pursuant to Bylaw 13.1.1.3.1, if the institution denies the student-athlete's request to permit any other institution to contact the student-athlete about transferring, the institution must inform the student-athlete that he or she, upon request, must be provided a hearing conducted by an institutional entity or committee outside of the athletics department (e.g., office of student affairs; office of the dean of students; or a committee composed of the faculty athletics representative, student-athletes and nonathletics faculty/staff members). The institution must have established reasonable procedures for promptly hearing such a request. During its August 24, 1995, telephone conference, the Interpretations Committee determined that when NCAA regulations require an institution to provide notice of a hearing opportunity to a

student-athlete, such notice must be provided in writing to the student-athlete.

NCAA Bylaw 15.2.7.1.1

Enrolled student-athletes — summer financial aid (Division I only)

Division I institutions should note that in accordance with Bylaw 15.2.7.1.1, subsequent to initial full-time enrollment during a regular academic year, a student-athlete may not receive athletically related financial aid to attend the institution's summer term or summer school unless the student-athlete received such athletically related financial aid from the institution during the student-athlete's previous academic year (as opposed to the institution's previous academic year). In addition, such aid may be awarded only in proportion to the amount of athletically related financial aid received by the student-athlete during the student-athlete's previous academic year.

During its April 26, 1991, telephone conference, the Interpretations Committee determined that an institution that awards athletically related financial aid to a student-athlete (who received athletically related financial aid during the previous academic year) to attend the institution's summer term may award such aid either on an element-by-element (i.e., tuition and fees, room and board, books) or equivalency (i.e., countable aid) basis. For example, a student-athlete who is enrolled as a full-time student for the entire academic year and receives an athletics grant-in-aid covering only tuition and fees for the entire year would be entitled to receive athletically related financial aid to cover the student-athlete's actual cost of tuition and fees for the institution's summer term or athletically related financial aid to cover the student-athlete's actual educational expenses for the summer term based on the student-athlete's equivalency value.

During its June 30, 1993, telephone conference, the Interpretations Committee determined that the provisions of Bylaw 15.2.7.1.1 are applicable to head-count sports. Thus, a student-athlete who participates in a head-count sport and does not receive the value of a full athletics grant during the previous academic year may receive athletically related financial aid to attend the institution's summer term or summer school only in proportion to the amount of athletically related financial aid received by the student-athlete during his or her previous aca-

demic year.

In addition, in accordance with Bylaw 15.2.7.1.1.3 (Pell Grant reduction), if an institution provides a student-athlete with a full athletics grant during the academic year but is required to reduce the grant in accordance with Bylaw 15.1.3 (reduction when excess aid is awarded) because the student-athlete is receiving additional Pell Grant or other noninstitutional assistance, the institution may provide the student-athlete full athletically related financial aid to attend the institution's summer term. Further, pursuant to 15.2.7.1.1.4, a nonqualifier or partial qualifier may receive athletically related financial aid to attend an institution's summer term or summer school subsequent to the first academic year in residence under the following conditions:

1. The student-athlete has satisfied the NCAA satisfactory-progress requirements and, thus, would be eligible for competition for the upcoming academic year (i.e., the student-athlete must have completed successfully 24 semester or 36 quarter hours during the previous academic year and have a grade-point average that places the student-athlete in good academic standing at the institution).

2. The student-athlete has been awarded athletically related financial aid for the upcoming academic year.

3. The student-athlete receives athletically related financial aid to attend the institution's summer term or summer school only in proportion to the amount of athletically related financial aid that the student-athlete will receive for the upcoming academic year.

Finally, once a student-athlete has exhausted his or her eligibility, an institution may award financial aid to attend the institution's summer term or session that exceeds the proportion of athletically related financial aid received by the student-athlete during the previous academic year, provided the student-athlete is enrolled in courses that will allow the student-athlete to complete his or her degree requirements at the conclusion of that summer term.

This material was provided by the legislative services staff as an aid to member institutions. If an institution has a question or comment regarding this column, such correspondence should be directed to Stephen A. Mallonee, director of legislative services, at the NCAA national office. This information is available on the Collegiate Sports Network.

Council

Reports from financial aid and clearinghouse committees among items featured on agenda for April meeting

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hear from the Academic Requirements, Eligibility, Legislative Review, Minority Opportunities and Interests, Olympic Sports Liaison, Postgraduate Scholarship, Professional Sports Liaison, and Student-Athlete Advisory Committees. The Committees on Athletics Certifi-

cation, Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, Women's Athletics, and Review and Planning also will report, along with the Presidents Commission, the Administrative Review Panel and the Council Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers.

The Council also will review the 1996 NCAA Convention and begin planning for the 1997

event.

Other routine matters include review of Interpretations Committee and Administrative Committee actions and the quarterly report on governmental relations.

The meeting will be chaired by NCAA President Eugene F. Corrigan, commissioner of the Atlantic Coast Conference. Corrigan will be

assisted by NCAA Secretary-Treasurer Phyllis M. Howlett, assistant commissioner of the Big Ten Conference.

A report on highlights of the meeting will appear in the April 29 issue of The NCAA News. Minutes of the meeting — including all actions taken by the Council — will be published in The NCAA Register.

Ratings

ESPN enjoys record-setting numbers for Division I women's basketball final; men's title game garners 18.3 rating

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"This first year was successful," said Mike Soltys, ESPN director of communications. "We worked real closely with the NCAA to maximize interest in the entire tournament."

Soltys said the network did not set a ratings goal for the championship.

"We try to avoid that for new events," he said. "Because it's new...it's difficult to get a handle on (its ratings potential)."

One of the more interesting findings from analysis of the championship's ratings is that men consistently were the largest audience segment for Division I Women's Basketball Championship games on ESPN and ESPN2 for which demographic information is available. Nearly twice as many men as women aged 18 to 49 watched the Tennessee-Georgia contest.

The women's championship was promoted on ESPN with a Joan Jett remake of the theme song from "The Mary Tyler Moore Show."

The 30-second spots must have been well-liked, Soltys said, as the well-known singer/songwriter plans to release a full-length version of the tune.

"The promo got a lot of attention," Soltys said. "Perhaps we created a new hit for Joan Jett.

"Who knows, maybe when people hear it they will think about women's basketball on ESPN."

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The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship final continues to be a major TV attraction, but ratings for the title game have been sliding since 1993.

More than 17.5 million households tuned in April 1 to CBS to watch the University of Kentucky defeat Syracuse University, 76-67, in East Rutherford, New Jersey.

The game earned an 18.3 rating and 29 share. One rating point represents 959,000 households — one percent of the estimated 95.9 million television homes nationally that can tune in CBS.

"It is a great event and continues to be the dominant event of March," said Len DeLuca, vice-president for programming at CBS Sports. "It retains its great value."

Since the 1992 championship game between Duke University and the University of Michigan, which posted a 22.7 rating and 35 share, television viewership of the title contest has fallen annually.

DeLuca said there are a number of contributing factors.

"There are geographic and competitive issues that clearly impact (the ratings)," he said.

"This year, the Central, Mountain and Pacific time zones were not represented (in the final game). Plus, the entire Big Ten Conference checked out by the second round. That impacts.

"College basketball is at a crossroad. It's changing. The development of the three- and four-year star is leaving. You don't have Patrick Ewing in three out of four Final Fours. You don't have (Michigan's) Fab Five going all four years.

NCAA MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP GAME TRENDS

Year	Teams	Rating	Share	Homes*
1996	Kentucky-Syracuse	18.3	29	17.540
1995	UCLA-Arkansas	19.3	30	18.410
1994	Arkansas-Duke	21.6	33	20.350
1993	North Caro.-Michigan	22.2	34	20.670
1992	Duke-Michigan	22.7	35	20.910
1991	Duke-Kansas	19.4	30	18.060
1990	UNLV-Duke	20.0	31	18.420
1989	Michigan-Seton Hall	21.3	33	19.260
1988	Kansas-Oklahoma	18.8	30	16.660
1987	Indiana-Syracuse	19.6	28	17.130

* Viewership in millions of households.

"We have to savor the fact that we have the best event in the (January-March) quarter. We also have to recognize that the cards we were dealt in 1982 or 1986 are not the same today."

DeLuca said the championship game is the second highest-rated program on CBS this year behind the Fiesta Bowl. The rating, however, is the lowest since the title game moved to prime time in 1973.