Recognizing Sportsmanship & Academics

Billy Strickland, Executive Director

In addition to first and second place trophies, ASAA also awards two other trophies. Our “Sportsmanship Award” is sponsored by AT&T. The ideals of good sportsmanship, ethical behavior and integrity should permeate all educational based activities in our state. In perception and practice, good sportsmanship is defined as those qualities of behavior which are characterized by generosity and genuine concern for others. Our athletic fields and courts should be the laboratory to produce good citizens reflecting fair play in every area of life.

Additionally ASAA awards an “Academic Award” that is sponsored by Princess Cruises. I am always pleased but no longer surprised when the awarded team has an collective GPA of over 3.5.

The ASAA Board of Directors authorized these awards as a way to recognize the importance of both sportsmanship and academic excellence. I am also happy to report that while ASAA only recognizes one school for each award, at most of our events, it is really difficult for the selection committee to make a determination. Keep up the good work parents and teachers, you are helping instill these great “Win for Life” skills.
Alaska High School Hall of Fame

Sandi Wagner, Associate Director

This month we are recognizing 2016 inductee Dave Dirksen. He worked for 20 years for the Wrangell City and Annette Island [Metlakatla] school districts as an administrator. In 1993, he was selected Alaska Principal of the Year and National Distinguished Principal of the Year by the U.S. Department of Education.

Dirksen was elected president of the Alaska School Activities Association Board of Directors in 1996 and served through 2002, leaving a legacy of significant growth and development of the state football and hockey playoffs, the evolution of the state basketball tournaments into March Madness Alaska, adoption of state baseball and soccer tournaments and expansion of state softball tournament. He was instrumental in adoption of the Coach's Education program. He was also a highly respected wrestling official for 30 years and won the Region V Official of the Year award. Dave is best known for his ability to guide the ASAA Board in reaching consensus on controversial issues across the state. For more information on Dave and other inductees, please visit the Alaska High School Hall of Fame website at http://alaskahalloffame.org

All-STATE ART COMPETITION

Deanna Montagna, Art Coordinator

The ASAA/First National Bank Alaska All-State Art Competition takes place online at http://artalaska.org. The website is designed to display all entries, recognize the winners of each category and showcase the Best of Show and Congressional Award.

To participate in the 2017 All-State Art Competition, Art Teachers should submit the “Intent to Participate” form at http://asaa.org/activities/art/art-intent-to-participate-form/ beginning February 27th and no later than March 13th.

Upcoming Events

ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA
NORDIC SKI STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
February 23-25, 2017
Kincaid Park Trails in Anchorage
More Information

ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA
WORLD LANGUAGE DECLAMATION
March 4, 2017
South Anchorage High School
More Information

ASAA MARCH MADNESS ALASKA
1A/2A BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS
March 15-18, 2017
Alaska Airlines Center in Anchorage
More Information

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Vintage Car

2016 Art Competition
Congressional Award
& 1st Place in Painting

Emily Abramowicz
West Valley High School
Grade 10

The All-State Art Competition schedule and more information is available at:
http://asaa.org/activities/art/
2016 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA
2A/MIXED SIX VOLLEYBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

CRAIG PANTHERS
2016 2A VOLLEYBALL STATE CHAMPIONS

KING COVE ROOKIES
2016 2A Volleyball Academic Award
(Presented by Princess Cruises)

PETERSBURG VIKINGS
2016 2A Volleyball Sportsmanship Award
(Presented by AT&T)

NOATAK LYNX
2016 MIX SIX VOLLEYBALL STATE CHAMPIONS

TANALIAN LYNX
2016 Mix Six Volleyball Academic Award
(Presented by Princess Cruises)

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ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Aspen Hansen, Craig
Danielle Reeves, Craig
Gabby Faurot, Su Valley
Justiss Hutchinson, Kenny Lake
Kiana Schorr, Su Valley
Nicole Mackie, Craig

Courtney Fredricksen, Petersburg
Emma Chase, Petersburg
Jalaya Duarte, King Cove
Katie Moore, Dillingham
Leigha Peebles, Cordova
Ruby Matthews, Su Valley

MIX SIX CLASSIFICATION RESULTS

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Jamal Alstrom, Alakanuk
Joel Onalik, Noatak
Levi Mills, Noatak
Nicole Stalker, Noatak
Vera Fefelov, Nikolaevsk

Arctic Ivanoff, Unalakleet
Jaylen Cannon, Tikigaq
Korena Nelson, Kodiak ESSS
Matthew Tua'au, Gustavus
Taylor Harvey, Unalakleet
Wallace Ungwiluk, Gambell