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Recognizing Sportsmanship & Academics

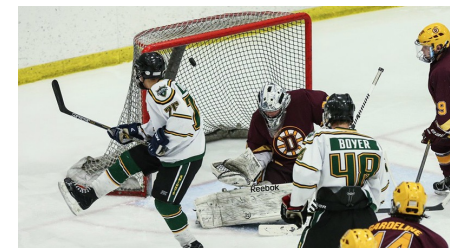
Billy Strickland, Executive Director

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.

Upcoming Events



ASAA FIRST NATIONAL CUP HOCKEY STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Greatland, Feb 2-4, Big Dipper Arena 4A, Feb 9-11, Menard Sports Complex
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ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA DDF STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 23-25, 2017
 East Anchorage High School
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Sportsmanship Award Presenter



Academic Award Presenter

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.



Dave Dirksen

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.

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/>

Upcoming Events



ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA NORDIC SKI STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 23-25, 2017

Kincaid Park Trails in Anchorage

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ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA WORLD LANGUAGE DECLAMATION

March 4, 2017

South Anchorage High School

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ASAA MARCH MADNESS ALASKA 1A/2A BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 15-18, 2017

Alaska Airlines Center in Anchorage

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**2016 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA
2A/MIXED SIX VOLLEYBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**



2A CLASSIFICATION RESULTS

<u>AWARD</u>	<u>TEAM</u>
Champion	Craig
Runner-up	Petersburg
Sportsmanship Award	Petersburg
Academic Award	King Cove

ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Aspen Hansen, Craig	Courtney Fredricksen, Petersburg
Danielle Reeves, Craig	Emma Chase, Petersburg
Gabby Faurot, Su Valley	Jalaya Duarte, King Cove
Justiss Hutchinson, Kenny Lake	Katie Moore, Dillingham
Kiana Schorr, Su Valley	Leigha Peebles, Cordova
Nicole Mackie, Craig	Ruby Matthews, Su Valley



MIX SIX CLASSIFICATION RESULTS

<u>AWARD</u>	<u>TEAM</u>
Champion	Noatak
Runner-up	Unalakleet
Sportsmanship Award	Tanalian
Academic Award	Tanalian

ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Alyssa Patrick, Gustavus	Arctic Ivanoff, Unalakleet
Jamal Alstrom, Alakanuk	Jaylen Cannon, Tikigaq
Joel Onalik, Noatak	Korena Nelson, Kodiak ESSS
Levi Mills, Noatak	Matthew Tua'au, Gustavus
Nicole Stalker, Noatak	Taylor Harvey, Unalakleet
Vera Fefelov, Nikolaevsk	Wallace Ungwiluk, Gambell

