

HALL OF FAME NOMINATION APPLICATION

COLORADO VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

Individual Submitting Nomination (Please print):

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Signed: *Brenda Wolfe*

HALL OF FAME NOMINATION INFORMATION

Nominees Name: Ava Bair

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Number of Years as a CVOA Member: 42

Current CVOA Position: Area 17 Assignor

BASIS FOR NOMINATION:

- CVOA Board of Directors - Area 17 Director: 36 years
- Area 17 Assignor: 38 years
- State Tournament official for over 30 years and was honored to be selected to officiate four Finals as a referee and many more as line judge.
- 1996 IBM Official of the Week
- 2001 NFHS Outstanding Official for Colorado
- In addition to being a CVOA Board member, Ava has contributed to the success of the CVOA state organization by-

- Outlining a college curriculum for the local community college in officiating.
- Serving as a trainer in both Area 17 and the UNC Officials camps for new officials and working scrimmages to help herself and fellow officials improve.
- Helping at Regionals wherever in the State she was needed if there were none locally. She recognized that Regionals was an important part of her regiment for preparing herself and others for the State tournament.

I am honored to participate in the nomination of Ava Bair to the CVOA Hall of Fame. Ava has been a pillar of our organization in the southeast part of the state and exemplifies the heart and soul of CVOA. A more hard-working, dedicated member of our organization would be hard to find. Her enthusiasm for volleyball officiating makes her a joy to officiate with and has resulted in her recruiting so many members to our ranks.

She is the official every 'Bambi' should and hopes to work with at the State tournament. She brings a calm demeanor and exceptional professionalism.

We have captured many of her achievements in the attached Letter of Recommendation and the articles. Based on the above-mentioned contributions and her many years of dedication to make us all better officials, and her high level of expertise as an official, I ask the CVOA Board to consider Ava Bair for the CVOA Hall of Fame.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J Wolfe

2018 Hall of Fame Inductee

June 24, 2024

Dear CVOA Hall Of Fame Committee,

Shannon Gerber, Brenda Wolfe and Alicia Crist are writing to nominate Ava Bair for the Colorado Volleyball Official's Association Hall of Fame Award. Ava would be a most deserving recipient of the CVOA Hall of Fame award for many reasons, with a few listed below.

Ava became a volleyball official in 1982 and diligently worked to perfect her officiating skills. After 42 years as a certified high school volleyball official, she is still humble and tells people she is "still" perfecting her game. When the Colorado Volleyball Officials Association determined that there were enough officials in Lamar to support its own area, Ava was chosen as the first Area Director and served that position well for 36 years. As Area Director she organized study sessions, conducted and hosted clinics, scrimmages, and mentored many officials within the ranks of the Colorado Volleyball Officials Association. Ava has always provided positive guidance and feedback for growth to many officials as they worked their way through the ranks of Junior High, High School and on to the college level. Ava has gained the respect of the school Athletic Directors that she assigns for because she is well organized, a great communicator and a very competent leader. The officials she assigns appreciate her patience and flexibility. She has conducted many coach and parent nights to educate each on misunderstood rules or rule changes.

Ava was instrumental in initiating an Officiating 101 class at Lamar Community College for two years. This class provided instruction to approximately 30 college students; so they were well trained and prepared for helping out with officiating in Area 17. Ava was also a camp clinician at the Northern Colorado Official's Camp for several years.

After six years of officiating, Ava was selected to work at her first Colorado Girls Volleyball State Championship. She came back with the "State Tourney Bug" and spread the excitement of the tournament with her cadre of officials and with her encouragement and exceptional training, many of Area 17 officials have had the amazing opportunity to work a State Tournament. Since 2003, when CVOA started keeping track, Ava has worked three finals as the first referee and one final as the second referee. She has had numerous opportunities to work semi-finals, where there is a need for a high level, experienced official, since these are often elimination matches. She has only missed working and being at the State Tournament 4 or 5 times in her officiating career.

In 1996, Ava was selected by the Colorado High School Activities Association as their IBM Official of the Week, where she was honored at a reception at the Denver Bronco's Training Center. In 2001, Ava was awarded the Colorado Outstanding Official's Award from NFHS.

Ava has officiated in the Colorado Coaches of Girls Sports Games several times and one NJCAA Post Regional Tournament. She is proud to be a member of the Colorado Volleyball Official's Association, Professional Organization of Volleyball Officials, and loves officiating at EVERY level. She has a high level of experience and still loves covering Junior High matches if needed.

Ava is not only a high caliber official, but she is also a high caliber friend, mother, grandmother and daughter. She always makes time from her busy schedule for everyone. Ava is so deserving of this award for so many reasons; she is highly respected, exudes professionalism, and yet remains so humble over every accomplishment.

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Bair presented Colorado Outstanding Volleyball Official's Award in Denver

In recognition of her exemplary conduct and many contributions to the sport of volleyball, Ava Bair of Wiley, Co., was awarded the Colorado Outstanding Official's Award at the Colorado State Volleyball Tournament Official's Banquet held in Denver in November 2001.

Ava was nominated for the award by the Colorado Volleyball Official's Association Executive Committee.

Nominees for the award must hold the highest standards of ethical conduct and moral character and be endorsed by their respective high school activities association.

There are sectional and national awards that she may also qualify for at a later date.

In 1996, Ava was selected by the Colorado High School Activities Association as their IBM Official of the Week. She was honored at a reception held at the Denver Broncos training center.

Ava has been a member of the Colorado Volleyball Official's Association for 20 years, serving as area director for the last 16 years.

During this time, she has been invited to officiate at the Colorado state Volleyball Tournament for 14 years, the Colorado Coaches of Girls



Ava Bair

Sports Tournament for two years, and one NJCAA post regional tournament.

In addition to her experience as a high school official, Ava is a rated volleyball official at the college level.

She is a 15-year member of the National Association of Girls and Women's Sports which is the organization to which college officials belong.

Clea Steerman, former Lamar Community College volleyball coach and current Wellness Center director, says, "LCC and area schools have been extremely fortunate to have Ava Bair as one of our officials. She is highly respected by many collegiate coaches in three state (Colorado, Kansas

and Wyoming). Ava brings a high level of professionalism and respect to the game of volleyball."

Ava has made many contributions to her community that contributed to her recognition for this award.

One of her most ambitious contributions has been her work as area director. In this role, she is responsible for training officials, providing study sessions, conducting clinics, mentoring and helping schools schedule officials for Junior High and High School volleyball matches.

Ava was instrumental in the development of a collegiate class for high school volleyball officiating at Lamar Community College. She mentors these students as well as other volleyball officials in her area and around the state.

Ava lives near Wiley with her husband, Scott, and their four children, Alison, Ryan, Chase and Corey.

She works at Lamar Community College as an accounting technician.

Ava has served as a high school class sponsor, square dance set mother, booster club member, young basketball coach and assistant coach for summer high school recreational volleyball.

2012 weekly winners continued

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>Activity and GPA</u>
ANGIE HRELJA	DEER TRAIL	VOLLEYBALL - 3.857
DILLON JOENS	PLATTE VALLEY	FOOTBALL/STUCO - 4.01
TREY JOHNSON	PLATTE VALLEY	FOOTBALL - 3.16
MEGAN KAVALEK	RAMPART	BASKETBALL - 3.30
MACY KIEL	STERLING	SOFTBALL - 4.05
MEGAN KLEINSCHMIDT	CHAPARRAL	POM - 3.65
ALLIE KONKOL	DENVER EAST	FIELD HOCKEY - 3.8
TOBY KROPP	LIMON	STUDENT COUNCIL - 4.0
ZACH KUZMA	CHEYENNE MTN.	CROSS COUNTRY - 3.92
KELLEN KYGER	GOLDEN	FOOTBALL - 3.86
KELLEN LIEB	HERITAGE	CROSS COUNTRY - 2.93
ALEXA LOBATO	CENTER	VOLLEYBALL - 4.0
ANNETTE McMICHAEL	ALAMOSA	VOLLEYBALL - 3.77
STEPHEN MOORE	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN	TENNIS COACH - 3.89
MAGGIE MURPHY	GUNNISON	CROSS COUNTRY, TRACK, VOCAL - 3.84
MIRANDA MYERS	DEER TRAIL	VOLLEYBALL - 3.075
RILEY O'DEAN	HIGHLANDS RANCH	SOFTBALL - 4.0
EMILY PALSER	OTIS	VOLLEYBALL - 4.16
ANDREW PERRY	OTIS	FOOTBALL - 3.87
JACOB PIPER	GENOA-HUGO	FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TRACK - 4.0
J.T.PISEL	DEER TRAIL	FOOTBALL - 4.0
JACK PFISTER	RAMPART	CROSS COUNTRY - 4.568
MELISSA POET	FLAGLER	VOLLEYBALL - 4.0
TOMAS QUITERIO	MITCHELL	STUDENT LEADERSHIP - 3.4
RICK RAMUNNO	EAGLE VALLEY	FOOTBALL - 3.65
JOSEPH RAY	THE ACADEMY	FOOTBALL - 3.414
JAMES ROBINSON	EAGLE VALLEY	CROSS COUNTRY - 4.0
SABRA ROSS	ELIZABETH	VOLLEYBALL - 3.69
KAELA SCHANDLE	HERITAGE	GYMNASTICS-3.5
DANIEL SCHWARTZ	ASPEN	FOOTBALL - 3.736
NOOR SHOGOLO	ADAMS CITY	BASKETBALL, FOOTBALL, TRACK & STUCO - 3.63
CHRISTIANA SPICER	LIBERTY COMMON	VOLLEYBALL - 4.07
JESSE SPRINGER	MULLEN	FOOTBALL - 3.4
WESLEY SUMMER	SILVER CREEK	FOOTBALL - 3.071
KATE TAYLOR	ALAMOSA	SPEECH - 4.25
PRESTON TURECEK	DEER TRAIL	FOOTBALL - 3.833
TYLER TURECEK	DEER TRAIL	GOLF - 3.035
ZACH WERNER	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN	ICE HOCKEY - 3.84
KATIE WEBER	GREELEY WEST	VOLLEYBALL - 4.068
COLIN WOGRIIN	HERITAGE	CROSS COUNTRY - 2.65
DEVON ZAVALA-CAMERON	DENVER EAST	WRESTLING - 3.02

2012-2013 High School Heroes

High School Heroes Banquet

2012 weekly winners

Officials, Coaches, Volunteers, and Support Staff:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>Activity/Commitment</u>
ANA BAIR		VOLLEYBALL OFFICIAL
JON BARTLEY		SOFTBALL OFFICIAL
HAROLD BROWN	PALMER	COACH
MIKE CHIPMAN		SOCCER OFFICIAL
ALICIA CRIST		VOLLEYBALL OFFICIAL
ANNE GIBBINS		VOLLEYBALL OFFICIAL
KEITH HAMPTON	TELLURIDE	CROSS COUNTRY COACH
MICK HILL	TELLURIDE	SOCCER COACH
WENDY MacASKILL	PALISADE	VOLLEYBALL COACH
STEPHEN MOORE	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN	TENNIS COACH
ALICIA OATES	LUTHERAN	VOLLEYBALL COACH
CHRIS SEAUER		SOCCER OFFICIAL
JERRY SHEA	WELD CENTRAL	EDUCATOR
JOHN VOGT	CHAPARRAL	FOOTBALL COACH