DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME 2005 CLASS ANNOUNCED

Sixteen former high school coaches, athletes, officials and/or administrators make up the 18th class to be inducted into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. The class was announced at the annual Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame golf outing that was held Monday at Golf Club of the Bluegrass in Nicholasville.

The class of 2005 will be inducted in ceremonies scheduled for March 15, 2005 in Lexington. The induction of the 16 will bring the total number of individuals honored to 318.

The 2005 class is as follows:

Gordon Bocock – Bocock, of Pulaski County, has a list of contributions in track and cross country that include serving over 20 years as the State Cross Country Meet Director, 15 years as officials coordinator and over 10 years as State Track & Field Meet Manager. He has also served many years as a regional meet director and clinician for the KHSAA.

John “Hop” Brown – Brown guided the West Carter Lady Comets to the 2000 Girls’ State Basketball title and eight 16th Region titles. His coaching record was 514-201 in 25 years and is one of only six coaches in the history of girls’ basketball to record 500-plus victories.

Jack Fitzpatrick – Fitzpatrick played in the Kentucky High School Athletic League for Dunbar of Somerset and helped the team to a National runner-up finish in 1954. He was named an All-National player and went on to play for the Harlem Globetrotters.

Kim Hampton – Hampton was an All-American basketball player and track standout for Iroquois High School in Louisville.

L.V. McGinty, Jr. – McGinty, from Paducah, has officiated several KHSAA State Championships in football, boys’ basketball and girls’ basketball. He is also a successful collegiate official, having worked three National Championship football games while continuing to work at the high school level. In addition, McGinty has served as a member of the KHSAA Board of Control.

Ray Mills – Mills was an All-District, All-Region and All-State basketball player for Clay County High School. One of the first players in the state to dunk the ball, Mills helped Clay County to consecutive State Tournament appearances in 1952 and 1953 and went on to play for the University of Kentucky.

Don Morris – Morris compiled a basketball career coaching record of 305-168 at Breckinridge County and East Hardin. He coached Breckinridge County to the Boys’ State Basketball Championship in 1965.

Philip Reverman, Jr. – Reverman played basketball for St. Xavier High School in Louisville and helped his 1935 team to the KHSAA State Championship with a win over win over Newport. That same team advanced to the Catholic National Championship game.

Phil Rollins – Rollins played for Wickliffe High School, scoring over 2,400 points during his high school basketball career. He was the leading scoring in the Kentucky-Indiana All-Star game in 1952 and went on to a successful career at the University of Louisville, helping the Cardinals to the 1956 NIT title.

Joyce Seymour – Seymour has worked with the Girls’ Louisville Invitational Basketball Tournament for over 30 years and has been director of the event since 1999. She also served as an assigning secretary for the 6th and 7th Regions and worked 20 years as both a high school and collegiate official.

Sherrill Sipes – Sipes was a multi-sport star at Louisville Flaget High School and was an All-State honoree in basketball and football. He also held state track records in the 100-yard and 220-yard dashes.

Stan Steidel – Steidel coached basketball and served as Athletic Director at Dayton High School. He has been instrumental in athletic administration throughout his career, serving on the KHSAA Board of Control and working with the Kentucky High School Athletic Directors Association. He also started the All “A” Classic in boys’ and girls’ basketball.
Paul Stevens – Stevens attended and later coached Dawson Springs High School. He coached boys’ basketball, football and baseball for the Panthers. As basketball coach, he compiled a 119-46 record, including a 36-3 record in 1946 as Dawson Springs finished State Runner-up.

Robert Washington – Washington played basketball for Dunbar High School in Lexington, helping the school to a runner-up finish in the Boys’ State Basketball Tournament in 1963. He later was a successful coach at Bryan Station High School in Lexington.

Paul and Reba Woodall – Paul and Reba both were outstanding track and field coaches for Bryan Station High School, guiding the Defenders to numerous championships. In addition, both worked as officials at the State Track Meet for numerous years.

Two other individuals have previously been voted into the Hall of Fame but declined induction. Kelly Coleman (1989) and John Reynolds (1994) have yet to accept the honor. They or their representatives would be added to the induction class in the year the honor is accepted.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY CAPTURES STATE BASEBALL
Christian County picked up the school’s first State Baseball Championship with a 3-1 win over Lafayette in last Saturday’s final played at Applebee’s Park in Lexington.

Anthony Stacy, MVP of the event, tossed a two-hitter in going the distance for the Colonels. He allowed just two hits in seven innings. Chase Joiner, Greg Casebier and Stacy had one RBI each as Christian County managed seven hits.

All-Tournament Team Zane Burt (Johnson Central), Adam Blanton (Johnson Central), Jeremy VanHoose (Johnson Central), Nick Tompkins (Trinity-Louisville), Matt Brady (Trinity-Louisville), Brian Brohm (Trinity-Louisville), Michael Serraglio (Lafayette), Chaz Roe (Lafayette), Blake Blair (Lafayette), Chad Carner (Christian County), Lincoln Latham (Christian County), Anthony Stacy (Christian County) MVP – Anthony Stacy (Christian County). U.S. Marines Corps Sportsmanship Award – Brian Brohm (Trinity-Louisville)

FIFTH THIRD BANK TO SERVE AS TITLE SPONSOR OF STATE BASEBALL AND TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS
Kentucky High School Athletic Association Commissioner Brigid DeVries, along with representatives from the KHSAA Board of Control and staff, announced that Fifth Third Bank has agreed to a three-year deal to serve as title sponsor of the KHSAA Baseball and Tennis State Championships beginning in 2005. The announcement was made during last Friday’s State Baseball Semifinals at Applebee’s Park in Lexington.

“We are extremely pleased to be partnering with Fifth Third Bank for sponsorship of our Baseball and Tennis State Championships,” KHSAA Commissioner Brigid DeVries said. “We continue to look for ways to help the Association maintain the services it provides the student athletes of the Commonwealth, and corporate sponsorships such as this one help us not only enhance the individual tournament experience, but our overall services the Association provides.”

This is the second time in the history of the Association that a title sponsor has been secured for the State Baseball Finals and first time for the State Tennis Championships. It is only the sixth such title sponsorship for a KHSAA event.

“Part of the Association strategic plan as directed by our Board of Control is to continue to find ways to secure funds for the overall programs of the KHSAA to help offset rising costs,” DeVries added. For example, for the 2004-05 school year, we are facing an expenditure of almost $150,000 just to continue to provide the athletes at each of our member schools catastrophic insurance.

I think you are seeing corporations recognizing the value of high school athletics and the grass-roots level of marketing it provides. I hope we will continue to announce beneficial sponsorships in conjunction with each of our sports programs,” DeVries concluded.

“The Kentucky High School Athletic Association has been so instrumental in the lives of so many of Kentucky’s young people,” Fifth Third President Sam Barnes said. “We are honored to help the KHSAA pursue its mission of enhancing the high school educational experience through athletics, and we look forward to some exciting action in the State Baseball and Tennis Tournaments to come.”

The Fifth Third package includes title sponsorship as well as sponsoring four $530 scholarships to be awarded to participants in each event each year as well.

The official title in all references beginning with next year’s events will be the Fifth Third Bank/KHSAA State Baseball Tournament and the Fifth Third Bank/KHSAA State Tennis Championships for the duration of the agreement.
About Fifth Third Bank
Fifth Third Bancorp is a diversified financial services company headquartered in Cincinnati, OH. Fifth Third operates 17 affiliates with 976 Banking Center locations in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Florida, West Virginia and Tennessee. Kentucky has 122 Fifth Third Banking Center locations that provide a broad array of products and services through four primary businesses: Commercial Banking, Retail Banking, Investment Advisors and Fifth Third Processing Solutions. With approximately $94 billion in assets, Fifth Third is among the top 15 largest bank holding companies in the country.

About the Kentucky High School Athletic Association
The Kentucky High School Athletic Association was organized in 1917 and is the agency designated by the Kentucky Department of Education to manage high school athletics in the Commonwealth. The Association is a voluntary nonprofit 501 3(c) organization made up of 283 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 20 sports (10 for boys and 10 for girls), licenses and trains over 3,900 officials, provides catastrophic insurance for its member school student athletes as well as overseeing coaching education and medical symposium programs.

To view full tournament results, log on to www.khsaa.org/baseball.