



Grand Island, New York

# Coaching Newsletter

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## 4th Annual Clinic for Travel Coaches

Our 4th Annual Coaches Clinic, designed for all Travel Coaches, is scheduled for **Sunday, May 1.**

Sessions will be held in both the middle and high school gyms, Little Theatre and Room 110 (lecture hall). Session topics and presenters are currently being discussed. Please respond to my e-mail (sent on 3/28) asking for suggestions for topics.

The clinic will begin with the first General Session at 8 am. Four, 40-minute sessions will be held followed by our An-



nual Awards Luncheon. The day concludes with the mandatory Travel Coaches Meeting with our Travel Coordinator, Mike Rudney from 12:45-2 pm.

Please read below about our award categories, previous winners and how to nominate individuals for our 2011 Luncheon. All head coaches must invite their assistants to attend the entire day.

## Fundraising? There is an approval process

Your GISC established policies several years ago for teams that wish to conduct fundraising activities.

We understand that teams sometimes set their sights on bags, warm ups, training equipment and entry fees for

tournaments. In an effort to supplement team funds fundraisers are organized.

The GISC Board **MUST** approve all fundraising activities **PRIOR** to the event happening. Your Board reserves the right to deny requests for activities that

may compromise the safety of the players or those activities that do not mesh with the Board's philosophy.

Please contact a Board Member for the appropriate form.

## GISC Annual Awards

We are currently accepting nominations through **April 8** for our three annual awards. Nomination forms are available on our club's web site. The awards are noted below with previous winners listed:

<b><u>Coach of the Year</u></b>	<b><u>Volunteer of the Year</u></b>	<b><u>Legacy Award</u></b>
2009-Brett Banker	2009-Terri Pitts	2009-C. Roughsedge
2010-Tony Pariso	2010-Bethany Bernatovicz	2010-Bill Waddington





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*"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, you are a leader."*

*John Q. Adams*



# Coach Development Initiative (CDI)

Wouldn't it be great if we had numerous candidates any time a coaching position was vacated? Wouldn't it be even better if our own GISC alums (high school and college players) helped fill the void by getting involved with coaching at a younger age?

Several months ago I outlined a program for our Board, which I called the Young Coach Initiative. Although we never got past the initial framework, I'm pleased

to announce that New York State West has reached the same conclusion with the CDI.

As a club we are to identify candidates for a training program geared toward young coaches. The courses are offered both on-line as well as via the more traditional E-class and Youth Module settings.

The commitment is from May 1-December 2011 for the first class. The total cost of the program is \$295

per person.

I will be recommending to our Board the following criteria; former GI players or residents who are at least 18 years before the start of the program on May 1, current or previous playing experience at the high school varsity level.

At our next Board Meeting we will discuss what financial assistance, if any, our club may provide. **Please forward names to me by April 8.**

## TRIVIA-How Well Do You Know Our Club? Answers to follow in next

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| 1) How many registered travel players did we have on GI last season? | 6) How often does the GISC Executive Board meet?                    | 10) Where are GISC Board Meetings held?  |
| 2) How many travel teams do we have this year?                       | 7) Who is the Club President?                                       | 11) How many players from the GI HS boys Section VI Championship team from 2009 are playing in college? Do you know where? |
| 3) How many U10 boys & girls travel teams do we have?                | 8) How many registered House players did we have playing last year? | 12) The GI HS girls captured the league (NFL) title this past fall. How many have they won in history?                     |
| 4) Who is our Travel Coordinator?                                    | 9) How many total House teams did we have last year?                |  |
| 5) Who is our Director of Coaching (DOC)?                            |   |  |

# Licensing Courses-Local Offerings

Our club requires that our coaches stay informed & educated. Several local offerings are coming up. Challenge yourself and your assistants. Register for any of these courses by visiting the New York State West web site at [nyswsa.org](http://nyswsa.org).

\*\*D License, April 1-3 & 8-10, Village Glen in Williamsville.

\*\*E License, April 15-17, Webster, NY

\*\*State Intermediate Course, April 10 (one day) in Lockport's Kenan Center.

\*Youth Module, April 16 (one day) at Buffalo State College

