



### **William Ford**

The OADA welcomes Bill Ford as a distinguished Athletic Director and a 2018 Inductee to the OADA Hall of Fame. Bill resides in Corvallis, Oregon with his wife, Jacki.

In 1971, Bill began his career as an educator/coach at Crescent Valley High School. After three years, he moved to Lebanon for a couple of years and then to Corvallis High School. He briefly left the classroom in 1978 for Hewlett-Packard but continued to coach, now at Santiam Christian High School. In 1982 he became the Head Football Coach at Santiam Christian and left Hewlett-Packard. In 1983 he became the Athletic Director as well as Head Coach. Bill retired in 2010.

Bill, a graduate of OSU, began his career as an Athletic Director with a budget of \$10,700, times have changed. In his tenure he added five sports to bring the total to sixteen. In 2006, Bill was named the West Valley League AD of the Year. That same year, the OADA honored him as the 2A AD of the Year. By 2009, leagues had changed and Bill was named the PacWest AD of the Year.

Coaching was important for Bill. He served for a number of years and AD/Head Football Coach and was the West Valley Coach of the Year and coached the West Team in the Shrine Game. From 1984 until 2010, he served as AD/Head Softball Coach and was the league coach of the year three times. In 2004, he was named 1A-2A Softball Coach of the Year.

Bill is a credit to our association. It is with great pleasure that we have the opportunity to induct him into our Hall of Fame. Bill, we thank you for your service to the athletes, the schools, the communities, and the State of Oregon. You have made our profession Proud.