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**F O R I M M E D I A T E R E L E A S E**  
**The CCCAA Announces Hall of Fame Inductees**

**Sacramento, CA . . .** The California Community College Athletic Association announced the induction of eight new members into the California Community College Sports Hall of Fame. The 2011 class includes Benny Barnes (Contra Costa College/National Football League), Keith Calkins (Saddleback College), William Chambers (Fullerton College), Thomas Flores (Fresno City College/National Football League), Ted Leland (Chabot College), Melvin Mason (Monterey Peninsula College), Antonio Pierce (Mt. San Antonio College/National Football League) and Colleen Riley (Fullerton College).

**Benny Barnes (Contra Costa College)** is being inducted into the CCCAA Hall of Fame in recognition of his outstanding football career. Barnes was a two sport athlete at Contra Costa College, earning all league in both football and track and field. After Contra Costa, Barnes transferred to Stanford University and was signed as a free agent by the Dallas Cowboys in 1972, where he spent 11 years playing defensive back. During that span Dallas played in four Super Bowls and won two. Barnes later returned to Contra Costa College where he has been working for 14 years.

**Keith Calkins (Saddleback College)** is being honored for his 37 years of service to California Community College athletics, 21 of which were spent as the Athletic Director of Saddleback College (1980-2001). Calkins has served on numerous committees including President of the California Community College Football Coaches Association and President of the CCC Athletic Directors Association. Calkins also served on the COA Board, was a member of the CCCAA Management Council and was a founding member of SCOPE (now CCCPE). Saddleback College remembers Keith Calkins for many reasons, including the establishment of the Saddleback College Hall of Fame in 1982, the Student Athlete Drug Assistance Program in 1988 and the Athletic Gender Equity Committee in 1994.



**Bill Chambers (Fullerton College)** is entering the Hall of Fame for his outstanding career and years of service at Fullerton College (1961-1999) along with his tremendous impact on the profession of athletic training. Bill was an early member of the National Trainers' Association (NATA) and a founding member of both the Far West Athletic Trainers' Association (FWATA) and the California Community College Athletic Trainers' Association (CCCATA). Bill is still actively involved and has served six years on the Board of Directors of the NATA, two terms as NATA President, and two terms as the FWATA President. He also chaired four National Clinical Symposiums, and was the chair of the FWATA Annual Clinical Symposium for 26 years.



**Thomas Flores (Fresno City College)** is recognized for his superb athletic career at Fresno City College as well as his extensive professional football career. Flores attended FCC from 1954-1956 where he was a two-sport star athlete, participating in football and baseball. In 1959 he was drafted by the Washington Redskins and began his football career in the NFL, becoming the first Latino quarterback to play in the league. Flores later signed with the Kansas City Chiefs, winning his first Super Bowl ring. After retiring as a player, Flores became an assistant coach for the Buffalo Bills and then later with the Oakland Raiders under Coach John Madden (another California Community College alumnus). In 1976 Flores earned his second Super Bowl ring with the Raiders, as assistant coach. After Madden's retirement in '79, Flores became the head coach of the Raiders and first Latino Head Coach in the NFL. As head coach, Flores led the Raiders to two Super Bowl victories in 1980 and '83, earning his 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Super Bowl rings. Following his time as a coach, Flores moved to the Raiders front office and later moved to

become president, general manager, and head coach of the Seattle Seahawks. Flores remains active with

the NFL, currently serving as a radio announcer for the Raiders. Tom became one of only two people in NFL history to win Super Bowls as a player, assistant coach, and head coach over their career.

**Dr. Ted Leland (Chabot College)** is a Chabot College alumnus, where he spent two years and played football (1965-1966). After his time at Chabot Leland transferred to the University of the Pacific where he completed his Bachelors ('70) and Masters ('72) Degrees. Leland became Athletic Director at Stanford in 1991 after serving as AD at his alma mater and Dartmouth College, Senior Associate at Northwestern University and Assistant AD at Houston. Leland also served as an Assistant Football Coach and PE Instructor at Stanford during 1978-79. In 1982 Ted earned his PH.D in Education/Sport Psychology at Stanford. While Athletic Director at Stanford for 14 years (1991-2005), Ted was the guiding force in leading the athletics program that was voted "the most admired collegiate athletic program in the nation." While Leland was AD at Stanford the College won 50 national team championships, 173 conference championships and an NCAA record six national titles. Following a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the inaugural year (1993-94), Stanford has won the prestigious Directors' Cup, 16 consecutive years and holds 1<sup>st</sup> place in 2010-11. The Director's Cup symbolizes overall excellence and recognizes the top athletic programs in the Nation.



**Melvin Mason (Monterey Peninsula College)** will be inducted into the CCCAA Hall of Fame for his outstanding basketball play at the community college level as well as his social activism following his time at Monterey Peninsula College. To this day Mason remains the Lobos all-time leading scorer and rebounder and was the Coast Conference Player of the Year in 1961 and again in 1967. In his sophomore season Mason led the state in scoring with 31.1 points per game. In 1996 Monterey Peninsula College inducted him into their Hall of Fame. Mason has been active politically and at one time ran as a Socialist Workers Party candidate for the United States President in 1984. He also has run for the Governor of California twice, in 1978 and 1982. Mason is currently the President of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) branch in Monterey Peninsula.



**Antonio Pierce (Mount San Antonio College)** is entering the Hall of Fame for his standout football career as well as his two years playing at Mt. San Antonio College. Pierce helped lead Mt. SAC to win the CCCAA State Championship in 1997 and they were deemed National Champions that same year. He was captain of the team and was named to the all state team following his 1997 season. He later transferred to the University of Arizona and then entered the NFL with the Redskins as an undrafted free agent in 2001. He began playing for the New York Giants in 2004. In 2006 Pierce was selected for the Pro Bowl and in '07 helped lead the team to a Super Bowl victory. Pierce retired from football in 2010 and has joined ESPN as an analyst. Along with working for ESPN, he has been running free football camps for underprivileged youths over the last few years.

**Colleen Riley (Fullerton College)** is being recognized for her 32 years of service at Fullerton College along with her outstanding athletic performances there. She played basketball, softball, field hockey, volleyball and was on the swim team over the two years she attended FC (1961-1963). In 1969 she became the Head Women's Basketball Coach where she remained for 25 seasons. Riley won a total of 559 games, ranked 4<sup>th</sup> all time in CCCAA women's basketball history. She also won a State Championship in 1978, six Southern California Championships and 15 conference titles. From 1995-2001 Riley served as the Assistant Athletic Director. In 2005 the College inducted her into their Hall of Fame and just last year the Fullerton College basketball court was named in her honor.

The CCCAA Sports Hall of Fame is the highest honor bestowed in California community college athletics. Founded in 1984, the Hall of Fame has sought to recognize those who have made the most of their experiences as California community college student athletes, coaches and administrators, maximizing their own potential to better themselves and those with whom they come into contact. Eight inductees is an all time high for the number inducted into the CCCAA Hall of Fame in a year. They will join 101 previous inductees in the Hall, which features some of the most recognizable names in amateur and professional sports. To view our Hall of Fame page complete with past nominees and bios follow this link <http://www.cccaasports.org/history-hof.asp>.

The CCCAA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet and Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m. at the San Mateo Marriott Hotel in San Mateo, CA. To purchase tickets, print, complete, and return the convention registration form available at <http://www.cccaasports.org/meeting.asp>.