Release: #1003 March 25, 2010

Contact: Jason Boggs Phone: 916.444.1600

NEWS RELEASE

FORIMMEDIATERELEASE

COA/CCCAA Announces 2010 Hall of Fame Inductees

Sacramento, CA... The Commission on Athletics (COA) and California Community College Athletic Association is pleased to announce the induction of four new members into the California Community College Sports Hall of Fame at the 13th Annual COA/CCCAA Convention in Ontario, CA.

The 2010 inductees are Michael Cooper (Pasadena City College/Los Angeles Lakers/Sparks/University of Southern California), Robert Dinaberg (Santa Barbara City College), Warren Hansen (Cuesta College) and Pete Rozelle (Compton College/National Football League).

Michael Cooper is being inducted into the Hall of Fame in recognition for his standout basketball career as well as his two years of playing time at Pasadena City College. Cooper was part of the Los Angeles Lakers "Showtime" era which produced five NBA titles and eight finals appearances in one decade.

Robert Dinaberg is being honored for his contributions to California Community College athletics. At Santa Barbara City College served football coach for 18 years, Athletic Director for 22 and an educator for 33 years. In addition, Dinaberg was one of the founding fathers of the National Alliance of Two-Year College Athletic Administrators (NATYCAA) and served as President. At one point in his career he served as President of the Western State Conference, California Community College Football Coaches Association and California Community College Athletic Directors Association.

Warren Hansen is entering the Hall of Fame for his years of service and leadership in California Community College athletics. Hansen has been a head coach for the sports of cross country, wrestling and football, as well as serving as Athletic Director for 31 years at Cuesta College. During his time at Cuesta the athletic program increased from 8 to 16 sports. Similar to Robert Dinaberg, Hansen was also a founding father and served as President of NATYCAA and served as President of the California Community College Athletic Directors Association and the Western State Conference. Pete Rozelle is being posthumously inducted into the Hall of Fame for his legendary accomplishments as an NFL Commissioner. A former Compton College student, Rozelle served as the College Athletic News and Sports Information Director and began working with the newly relocated LA Rams and his career took off from there. Rozelle is known for brokering blockbuster television contracts, the merger with the American Football League, the development of the Super Bowl, the institution we know as Monday Night Football and much, much more.

The COA 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. The four new inductees will join ninety-one 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.coasports.org/history-hof.asp.

The COA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet and Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, March 31 at 6:00 p.m. at the Doubletree Ontario Airport Hotel in Ontario, CA. To purchase tickets, print, complete, and return the convention registration form available at http://www.coasports.org/meeting.asp.

About the COA

The California Community College Commission on Athletics (COA) is a non-profit organization per IRS Section 501 (c)(3). The COA establishes the rules and regulations to administer the athletic activities of the nearly 27,000 student athletes within the California Community College Athletic Association. To view the latest news, information, and updates of all 23 COA-sanctioned sports visit www.coasports.org.