

HISTORY OF THE CALIFORNIA INTERSCHOASTIC FEDERATION SOUTHERN SECTION



73rd historical “tidbit.”
Dr. John S. Dahlem



100th CIF-SS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Rob Wigod, CIF-SS Commissioner, had a very clear vision that the CIF-SS needed to celebrate their wonderful and rich history of 100 years. Under the able leadership of Thom Simmons, Director of Communications, a Centennial Steering Committee was selected and was led by former CIF-SS and State Commissioner Tom Brynes. The committee first met on June 17, 2010, and discussed at length what the Centennial Celebration should include and what the culminating event would be. A theme was created, “A Century of Champions – Academics, Athletics, Integrity,” and a special 100th Year logo was created by John Costello, CIF-SS Director of Marketing. The first ideas discussed looked like this:



CIF Southern Section Centennial Celebration - 2012-13

- A CIF-SS Centennial Committee has been formed and met and is made up of past CIF-SS Executive Committee members and office staff, past and present. The committee is chaired by past CIF-SS Commissioner and CIF State Executive Director Tom Brynes.

- A theme for the CIF-SS Centennial year has been created by the Centennial Steering Committee:

“A Century of Champions – Academics, Athletics, Integrity”

- We have developed through cooperation with Fox Sports a CIF-SS Centennial Logo of which we have 3 different versions:



- Fox Sports and their Executive Producer Tom Feuer is working with CIF-SS Historian Dr. John Dahlem on story packages highlighting our past 100 years for broadcast during each Fox Sports West and Prime Ticket broadcast over the next two years.

- A calendar of tentative target dates has been developed by the steering committee.

- Centennial banners will be created for the 2012-13 school year for each school to hang in their gymnasiums.

- Joel Wiese, former Athletic Director at Garey High School and a member of the steering committee has and will continue to reach out to the California State Athletic Directors Association and their individual groups to get feedback and ideas.

- Dr. Gary Smidderks has and will continue to reach out to the other sections across the state to invite them to be participants and for ideas.

- Dr. Ken Gunn has and will continue to reach out to the CIF-SS Executive Committee Alumni.

- Susie Arce, Assistant Principal at Nordhoff High School presented an overview of the centennial idea at the October Council meeting last year.

- Dr. Jim Staunton has been made “Yearbook Chairman” and will work with Dr. Dahlem and Thom Simmons to actually put together a yearbook that will be presented at the culminating event.

- Decals and posters have been produced and sent to schools to use as they wish.

- T-shirts and patches will be produced and sent to schools highlighting the centennial.

- John Costello will formulate a budget once the committee has decided on all details.

- Thom will be speaking at various outside groups (Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, Lions Clubs, etc.) to educate them on the CIF-SS and inform them of the centennial.

- Thom, with the help of Dr. Dahlem, will do special factoid driven articles as part of his weekly press releases on the history of the CIF-SS throughout the year.

- A special honor will be presented to the original 30 member schools from the first year of the section. Possibilities include some type of special banner.

- The CIF-SS 100 Greatest Athletes of All-Time list will be a collaborative effort between the public, media and a small sub-committee of the steering committee.

- A banquet/events subcommittee will be formed to include Shirley Frazier and Kay Larsen to handle the logistics of the Friday night event.

- A possible scholarship for a current student-athlete has also been proposed and John Costello is working on a potential sponsor for that idea.

- Culminating event ideas have been discussed and the tentative idea is a three day event in starting on Thursday, April 11, 2013. Events would start with a possible golf tournament on a Thursday, a past and present athletic administrator’s dinner on Friday and introduction of the inaugural CIF-SS Athlete Hall of Fame and 100 Top Athletes of All-Time at the AT&T Uverse Center in downtown Los Angeles on Saturday, which Fox Sports will broadcast.

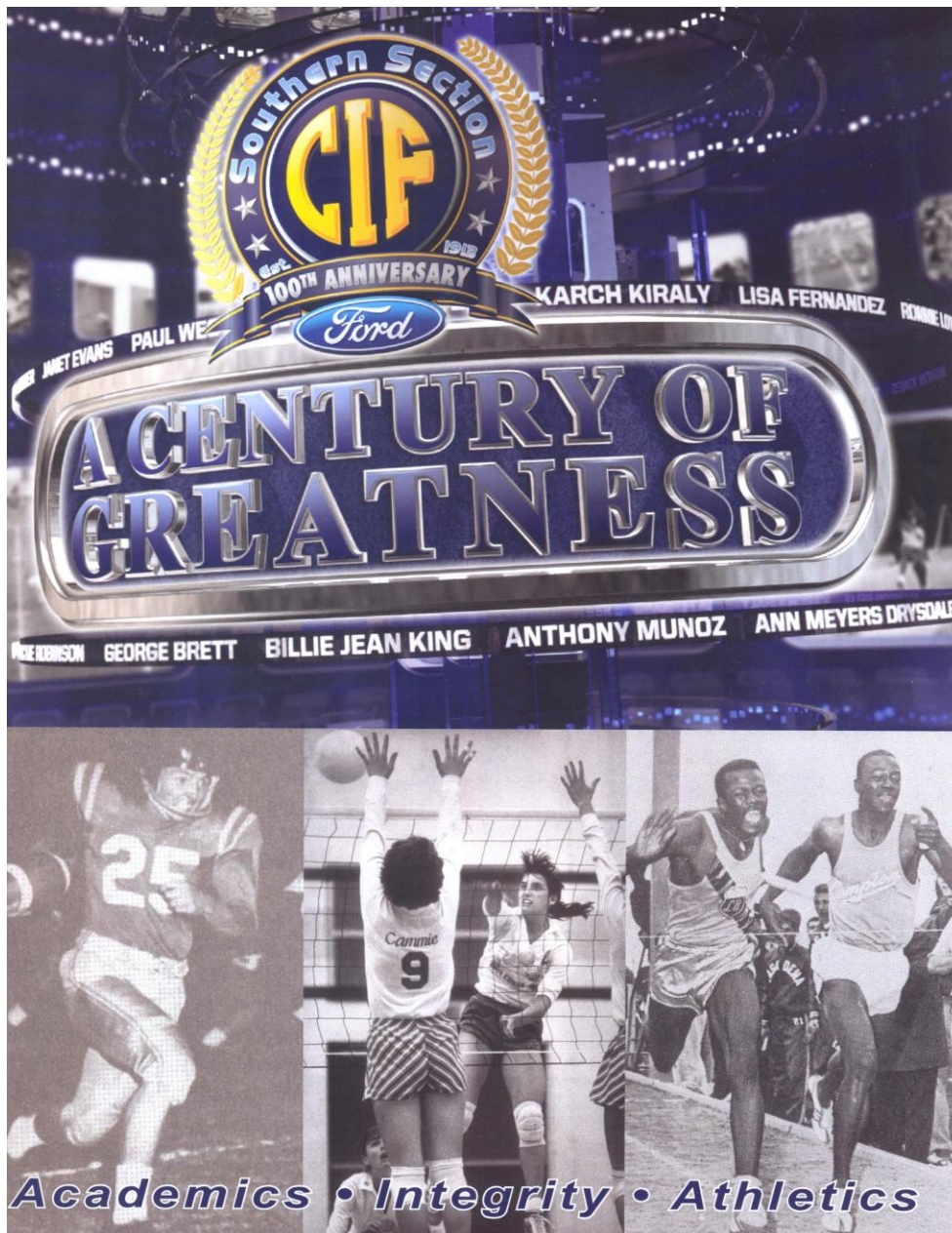
CIF-SS CENTENNIAL STEERING COMMITTEE

Tom Brynes, Chair – Former CIF-SS Commissioner and CIF State Executive Director
 Dr. John Dahlem – Former CIF-SS Council President and Principal Western High School
 Dr. Ken Gunn – Former CIF-SS Council President and Principal Walnut High School
 Dr. Gary Smidderks – Current CIF-SS Executive Committee member, Council President and Principal Emeritus Los Angeles Baptist High School
 Joel Wiese – Former CIF-SS Council member and Athletic Director Garey High School
 Susanna Arce – Former CIF-SS Executive Committee member and current Assistant Principal Nordhoff High School
 Dr. Jim Staunton – Former CIF-SS Commissioner
 Kay Larsen – Former CIF-SS Executive Assistant
 Shirley Frazier – Former CIF-SS Director of Budget and Finance
 Rob Wigod – CIF-SS Commissioner
 Thom Simmons – CIF-SS Director of Communications
 John Costello – CIF-SS Director of Marketing

“TENTATIVE” CENTENNIAL CALENDAR

DATE	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE
September 2010	Place information on CSADA for CIF-SS history and Centennial Events	Thom Simmons
September 2010	Develop Budget	Committee
September 2010	Create a Centennial Theme “A CENTURY OF CHAMPIONS” Academics, Athletics, Integrity”	Committee
October 2010	Notify CIF-SS Council regarding Centennial – input and ideas from schools	Susanna Arce
October 2010	Email to each member school a School Sport Historical Google.doc	Simmons/Anita
October 2010	Get info out to league coordinators	Joel Wiese
January 2011	Create a CIF-SS Centennial Logo/Brand	John Costello
January 2011	Potential Centennial Sponsors	John Costello
January 2011	Create a Banner for Original 30 Members for presentation Oct. 2012 council meeting	John Costello
January 2011	Create A CIF-SS Centennial Banner for all schools	John Costello
January 2011	Resolution to San Diego, LA Sections and State Federation	Simmons/ Gunn, Smidderks,Arce
March 2011	Create a CIF-SS video “This is the CIF-SS-100 Years (see old CIF dvd’s 1964, 1982, 1992)”	Costello/Simmons/Dahlem
June 2011	Determine a “Greatest” athlete of all time for each sport All CIF teams in each sport	Asst. Commissioners
Summer 2011	Develop an “All Time Greatest CIF-SS Athlete” list Fan supports on the web-media help	Dahlem/Simmons/staff
Summer 2011	Start working on CIF-SS Book/Annual Celebrating 100 years	Simmons/Dahlem
Summer 2011	Plan to honor CIF Heroes at Championship events 2012-2013	Rob Wigod
Fall 2011	Develop a Centennial Scholarship Program	Ken Gunn
Winter 2011	Plan a banquet celebration, Anaheim Conv. Center	Larson/Frazier Dr. Staunton/Staff/ Tom Danley sub committee
January 2012	Start media blitz	Thom Simmons
January 2012	Get letter out to State/Sections/Allied Organizations on Centennial	Gary Smidderks
January 2012	Get info out to alumni	Ken Gunn
January 2012	Be sure media, logo, letterhead all reflect Centennial Celebration	Simmons/Costello
October 2012	START CELEBRATION Logos, patches?	
October 2012	Present a special banner for the original 30 members of CIF-SS @ council meeting	CIF-SS
April 2013	BANQUET	
April 2013	HISTORICAL PUBLICATION	
April 2013	SCHOLARSHIPS	

The CIF-SS office under the able work of Anita Fopma, Administrative Assistant, began to collect from each CIF-SS a brief electronic form covering the athletic highlights of each of the member schools. John Costello had Centennial decals and posters created with the help of Ford and Fox (Tom Feuer, Executive Producer, FSWEST Prime Ticket, along with Whitney Garvens and Lindsay Amstutz, of Fox Sports West & Prime Ticket). Thom Simmons created the 100 Greatest CIF-SS Athletes Selection Committee (see tidbit #37) to select the top 100 CIF-SS athletes from 1913 to the present (the committee first met on February 8, 2012, to discuss the criteria and selection process). John Costello created a comprehensive four page flyer highlighting “A Century of Greatness” in chronological form and a discussion of what is the CIF Southern Section and statistics on the section. Each of the original 30 member schools received a Charter Banner and all CIF-SS schools received a 100th Celebration banner.



**ERIC SONDHEIMER
ON HIGH SCHOOLS**

Tough job

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the CIF Southern Section in 2012-13, the organization intends to choose the 100 greatest athletes in Southern Section history.

From Jackie Robinson (Pasadena Muir) to Frankie Albert (Glendale), from Allyson Felix (North Hills L.A. Baptist) to Ann Meyers Drysdale (La Habra Sonora), the number of worthy candidates is going to be immense.



Patrick McBride, Fox Sports, began to research and create short documentaries on several of the 100 Greatest Athletes in the CIF-SS to include Jackie Robinson, Lisa Fernandez, Bill Jean King, Tracey Murray, Karch Kiraly, Misty May, Pat Haden, Terry Schroeder, Paul Westphal, Todd Rodgers, Louie Zamperini, Eric Wynalda, Janet Evans, Allison Felix, Ann Meyers, Keith Erickson, Joanna Hayes, George Brett, Jamal Wilkes, Ronnie Lott, John Huarte, Lindsay Davenport, Bob Seagren, etc. These ran during the 2013 season on Fox TV.

A 100th Anniversary Yearbook was put together by Jacquelyn Herkins, editor in chief and a CIF-SS extern from Long Beach State University with assistance from Steve Eddy, Balfour publishing. The yearbook is an incredible display of the historical and current photos of the 100 Greatest CIF-SS Athletes and a history of the CIF-SS by decade.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Welcome to the 100th Anniversary of the CIF Southern Section!

**Southern Section
Executive Committee**

Todd Arrowsmith
Nancy Billinger, Ed.D.
Sam Buenrostro, Ed.D.
Dan Burch, Ed.D.
Chris Calderwood
Monica Colunga, Ed.D.
William E. Dabbs
Rita Dever
Jeff Jordan
Loren Kleinrock
Jim Monico
Terry Orabona
Carter Paysinger
Jim Perry
Dave Reid
Charlie Ricards
Mark Rose
Larry Satterfield
Reggie Thompkins
Debi Weiss

What an exciting time it is for us to celebrate our first century of existence and reflect back on the excellence that this organization has stood for since the day it was founded. We are so proud of what has been achieved by our member schools and the student-athletes, coaches and administrators who have represented the very best in high school education and high school athletics through our first 100 years.

This 100th Anniversary yearbook documents in words, and in pictures, the incredible story of our organization from its beginning to the present day. It is exciting to look back into our past and to realize that so many people have been touched by their participation in the CIF Southern Section. Our story includes a number of extraordinary student-athletes who have moved on from their high school years to the heights of greatness as collegiate and professional athletes, Olympians and been immortalized as members of the Hall of Fame in their particular sports. Many of them are being recognized in this publication as our 100 Athletes for 100 Years. I know you will be amazed, as I am, with the names on this list.

I hope you will enjoy the treasured memories that fill these pages. I want to thank the following people for their hard work, extra effort and dedication to seeing this yearbook project come to life. Their unwavering commitment to this publication is truly appreciated.

- Thom Simmons, CIF Southern Section Director of Communications, for his outstanding leadership in guiding our entire 100th Anniversary celebration from start to finish.
- Jacquelyn Herkins, our Editor-in-Chief, for her bright shining light as the driving force behind the creation of our yearbook and for devoting countless hours toward making our vision become a reality.
- Steve Eddy, Balfour Publishing, a trusted friend and contributor whose knowledge and experience throughout this journey was invaluable to all of us.

Southern Section Staff

Mitch Carty
John Costello
Glenn Martinez
Kristine Rach
Scott Raftery
Thom Simmons
Rob Wigod
Rainer Wulf

· Dr. John Dahlem, retired principal, coach, former President of the CIF Southern Section Council and our beloved historian who tirelessly researched our archives and sought out lost historical facts to gather much of the information contained in this book.

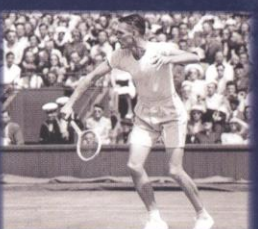
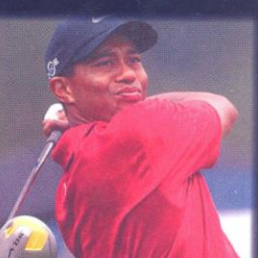
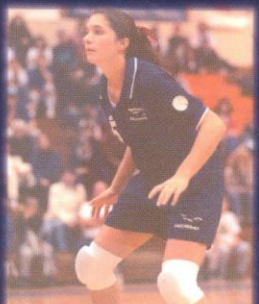
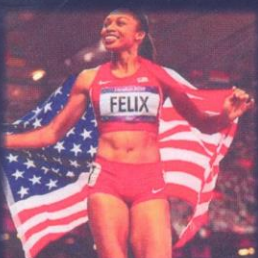
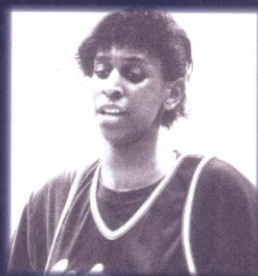
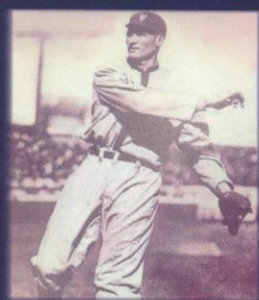
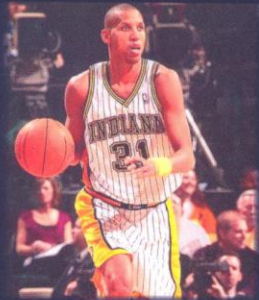
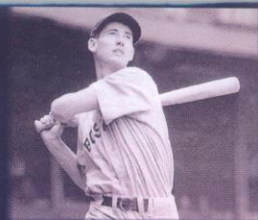
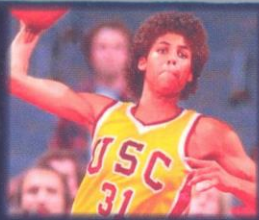
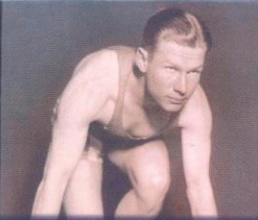
What a truly special year this is and we are so proud to be able to deliver this yearbook to you as part of our 100th Anniversary celebration. Along with our staff, I am honored to serve this wonderful organization as we continue our work in helping educate young people through their high school athletic experiences. In the years ahead, let us all resolve to build upon this wonderful legacy created by those who came before us.

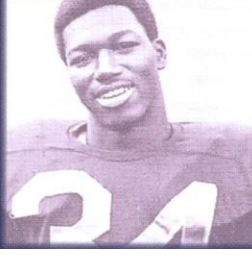
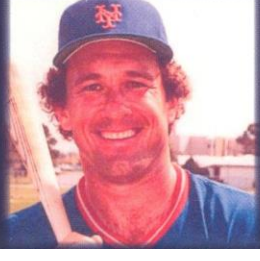
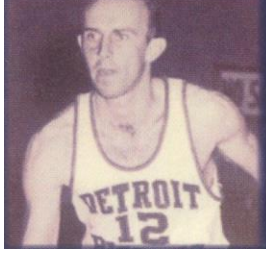
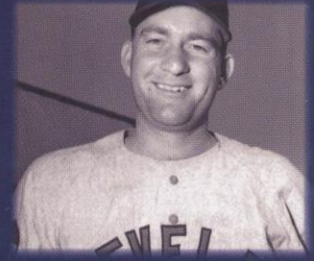
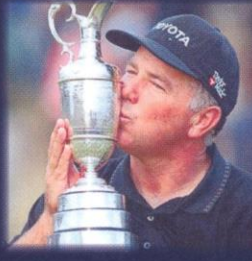
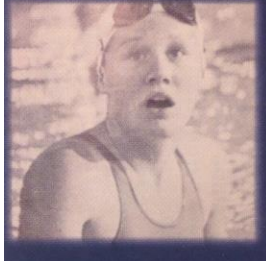
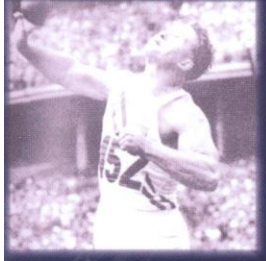
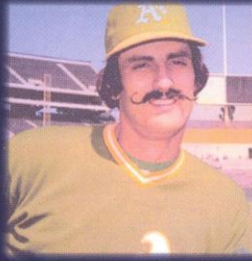
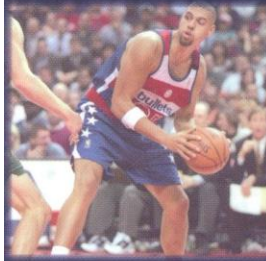
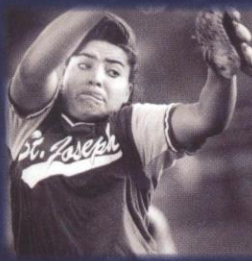
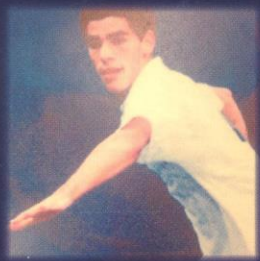
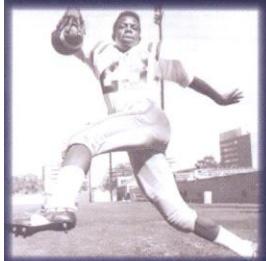
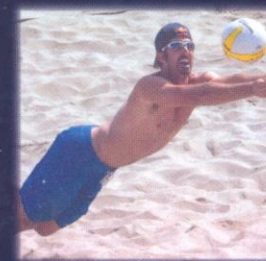
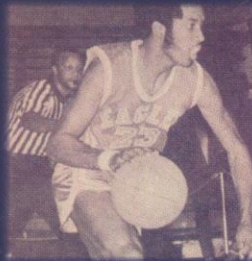
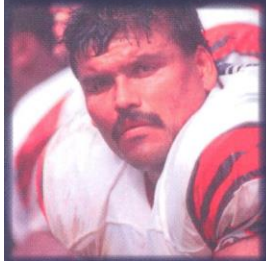
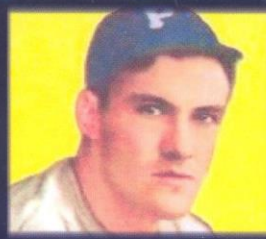
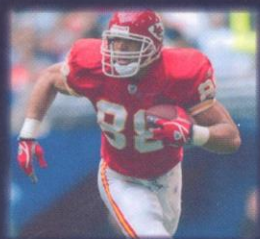
All the best,

Robert Wigod

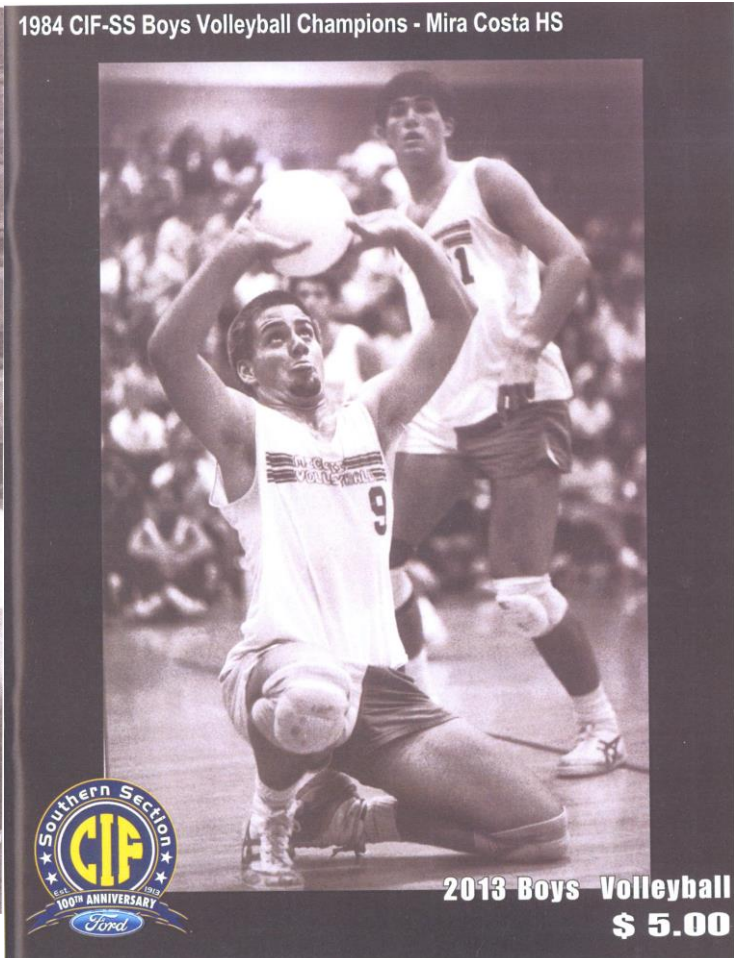
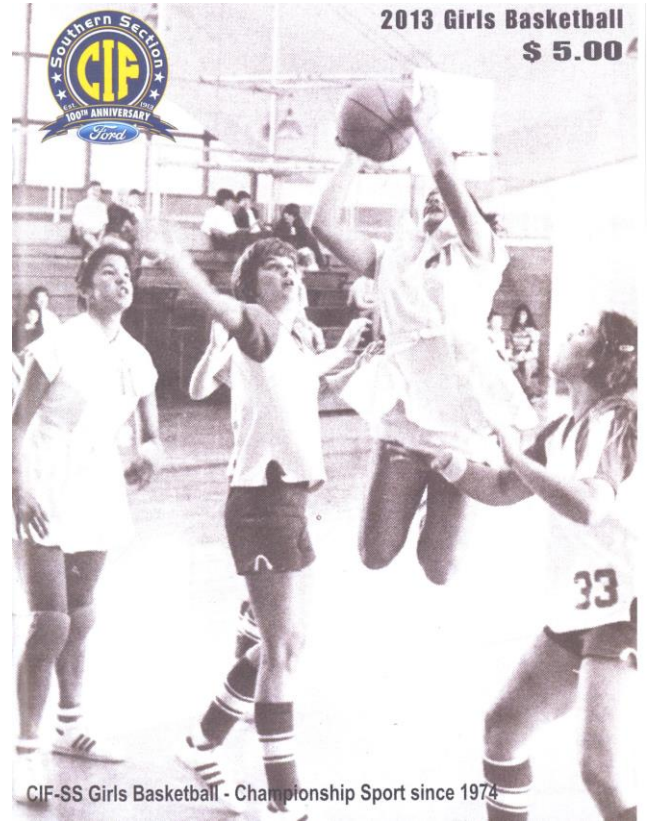
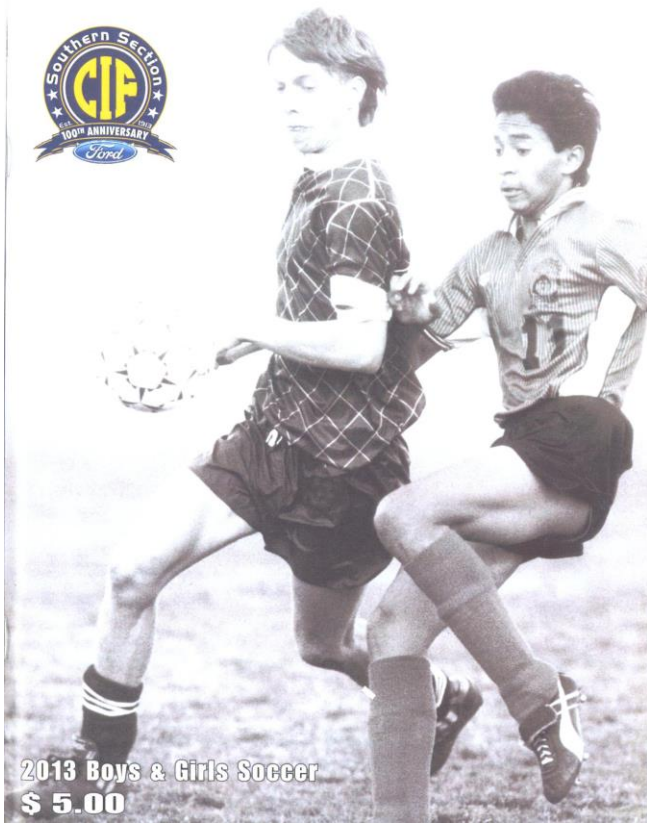
Rob Wigod
Commissioner of Athletics

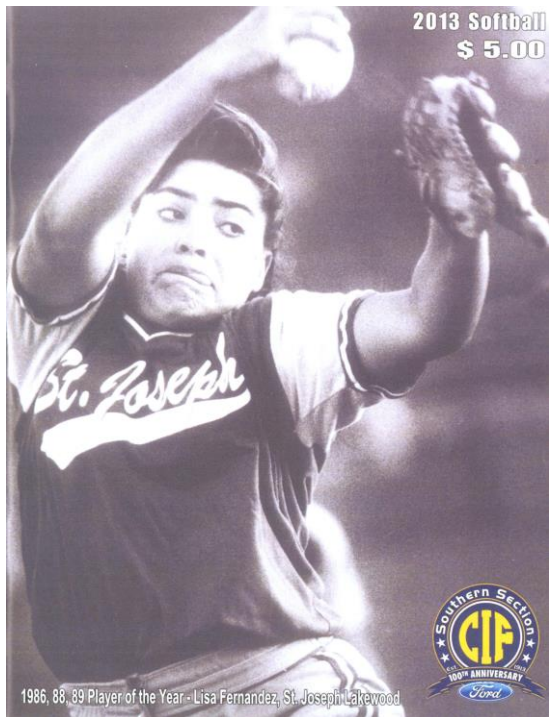






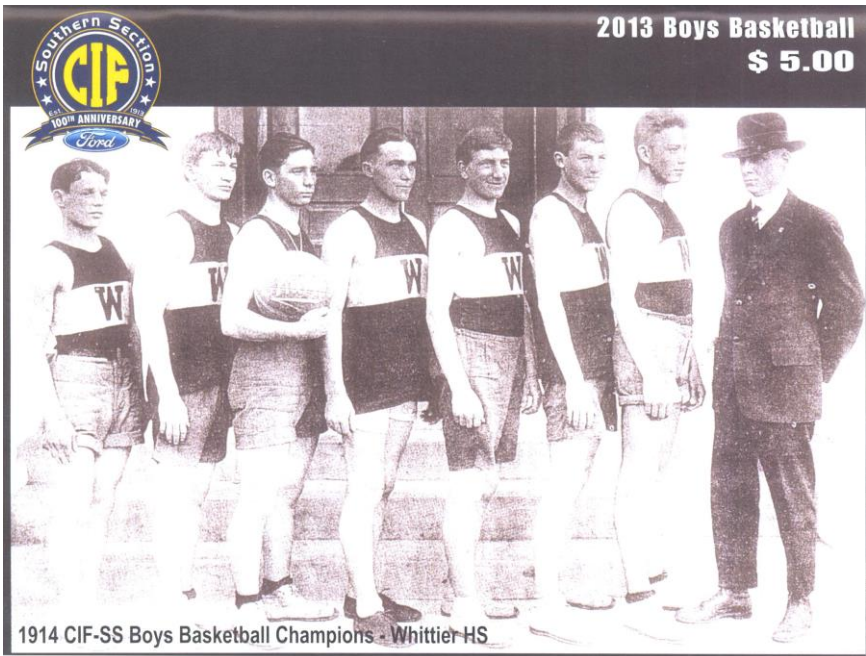
Greta Rens, Administrative Assistant, used her incredible skills to create historical covers for the CIF-SS Championship programs:





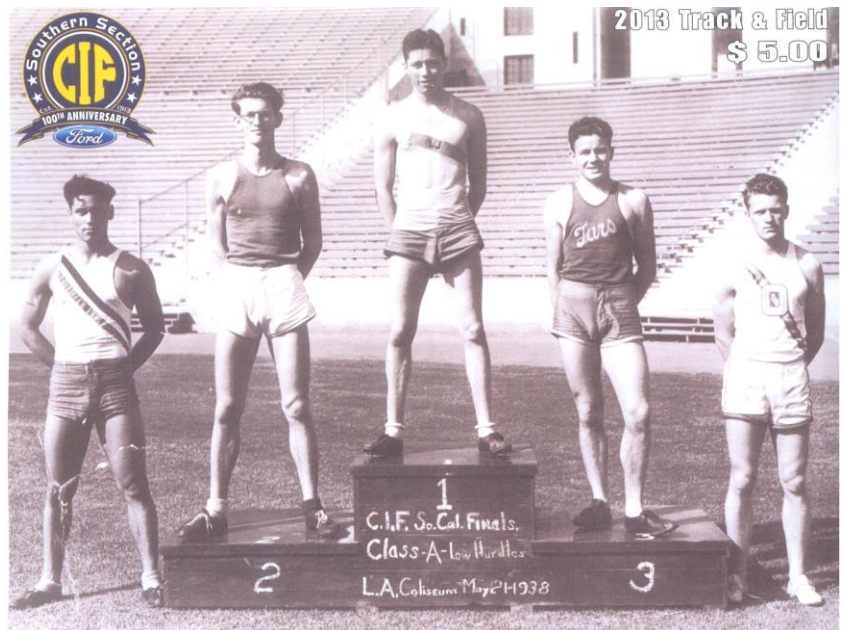
2013 Softball
\$ 5.00

1986, 88, 89 Player of the Year - Lisa Fernandez, St. Joseph Lakewood



2013 Boys Basketball
\$ 5.00

1914 CIF-SS Boys Basketball Champions - Whittier HS



2013 Track & Field
\$ 5.00

1914 CIF-SS Baseball Champions - Orange HS



2013 Baseball
\$ 5.00



CIF-SS 100th Anniversary Sticker and Banner



The culminating event was the CIF-SS 100th Celebration event held at the AT&T Theatre in downtown Los Angeles on April 13, 2013. There was a no-host social hour with historical displays followed by the special show. The CIF-SS Celebration show was produced by Fox Sports West and hosted by Jim Watson with in-studio interviews of Bob Seagren, Pat Haden, Eric Wynalda, Joanna Hayes and Ann Meyers. Included on the stage was the Tribune Trophy which was the first trophy awarded at a CIF-SS Championship event which happened to be the founding day of the CIF-SS, March 29, 1913. An edited video of the show, with additional clips, was produced by Fox Sports (“100 Years of the CIF-SS”) and played on TV throughout the year by Fox.



