

## VOLLEYBALL: Jones led previous SHS championship team

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championship volleyball team, the first volleyball championship in Sisters High School (SHS) history.

Jones has also earned many personal honors. He was the National High School Coach of the Year (NHSCY) in 1992, and the finalist for the NHSCY in 1987. He was named the Oregon girls Coach of the Year in 1979 and 1992 for all girls sports, and named the state volleyball girls Coach of the Year four times.

Rod has been inducted into the Portland Public School Coaches/Athletes Hall of Fame, and the National Volleyball Festival Hall of Fame. He earned the National Distinguished Service Award/USA volleyball award, and as an athlete was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame for baseball at the Oregon College of Education (now Western Oregon).

Jones has vivid memories of SHS's first state volleyball championship, and as one of the coaches, and along with the team was inducted into the SHS Hall of Fame last year.

And now, two decades later and in a different century, Jones has come full circle and will coach the Lady Outlaws once again.

Jones shared why he came back to Sisters.

"I am looking forward to the challenge," said Jones. "I

love the sport, and I love the kids. I enjoy the area, have very fond memories, and have good friends that I cherish."

Jones explained his philosophy to *The Nugget*:

"It's like looking at a clock. You see all the slashes that represent seconds, minutes and hours, and I want to help kids utilize their time, and make the most of every day. Volleyball is like another classroom with many opportunities. At any given moment it is what it is, and there's no excuses."

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Jones shared he wants the Lady Outlaws to form a strong bond, get along with each other, and believe in themselves. He wants his players to have each others' trust and each others' backs.

A strong coaching staff will stand by Jones, and he's excited to have them. Brad Bulloch, Suzie Fouts-Krueger, and Cris Converse will all assist Jones this year. Bulloch worked alongside Rod as a coach 20 years ago, and Krueger was a first-team all-state player on that first SHS championship team.

## MARIJUANA: Several applications have been made for projects

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no licenses will be issued to a business whose activities are prohibited by local, state, or Federal law. Although marijuana growing, processing, testing, and sales are legal in Oregon and several other states, marijuana is still considered an illegal substance on the Federal level.

Davenport reported that he did get one inquiry each about processing and testing as well as two commercial grow questions, all of which were turned away.

About three months ago, someone inquired about processing industrial hemp for products like soap, lotions, garments, etc. When Davenport asked the City's previous legal counsel and the Drug Enforcement Agency's (DEA) San Francisco office, as well as the Oregon attorney general's office for direction on the question, he received no clear response.

"I advised the inquirer to get a determination from the DEA if processing hemp products is legal under the Fed's rules and to forward that response to us. At this point in time he hasn't heard back from the inquirer," he said.

With legalization being considered by a number of states across the country, and the Federal government announcing it will not

enforce any laws regarding marijuana, interim City Manager Rick Allen suggested to Council that it would be prudent for them to establish policy regarding marijuana before it is legal nationwide. He mentioned that judging of marijuana plants as an agricultural product is occurring this summer at the Oregon State Fair.

"It is critically important to have regulations in place if Federal regulations go away," cautioned temporary city attorney Jeremy Green.

New regulations regarding time, place, and manner of sale (TPMs) would be created for the Development Code, which would go before the Planning Commission for review and approval and

then to the City Council for adoption. TPMs regulate things such as where retail outlets or growing and processing operations may be located — distance from parks and schools, and which areas or streets of town. They also regulate hours of operation, signage, appearance of storefronts, and elimination of processing and growing odors and waste.

Allen told the Council there is no need to reinvent the wheel when they can build the City's regulations on the foundation established by the State of Oregon.

When the Planning Commission and City Council take up this issue, there will be ample opportunity for public input.

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