



**Stan Solomon:** Solomon was honored for a long history of coaching in the Coos Bay School District that continues more than 40 years after his arrival in the community. Solomon was a 1957 graduate of McKinley High School in Honolulu, where he was most valuable player of Hawaii's East-West Coaches Football Game. He then studied at Willamette University, where he was an all-conference running back three straight years, twice being named a first-team All-American in NAIA. He graduated from Willamette University in 1962 and is a member of the school's hall of fame. That fall, he was hired at Charleston Elementary School to teach physical education for fifth through eighth grades and coach the eighth-grade football, basketball and track teams. In 1964, he moved on to coach the same sports at the new Millicoma Junior High School. He became a teacher at Marshfield High School in 1966 and continued at the school until retiring in 1994. He was an assistant football coach from 1966 to 1996 and was the defensive coordinator on the 1992 state champion team. He also was head girls basketball coach from 1977 to 1989, with eight winning seasons. The 1979-80 team won the consolation title at the state tournament and finished with a 24-5 record. The 1988-89 team reached the state tournament. Solomon was an assistant coach at Marshfield from 1966 to 1972 and then the head coach until 1996, including the 1983 girls team that placed third at the state meet. He has been an assistant coach since 1997 and has directly coached 12 individual state champions, including five pole vaulters in the last decade.