



# CACTUS COURIER

## December 31, 2009

**Good Morning!** We thank you for participating in the Basketball Travelers Cactus Jam 2009! Please fill out an **EVALUATION FORM** so that we can make this event even better for next year. Best of luck with the rest of your season.

### Daily Schedule

Dec. 31

Teams depart, **SAFE TRAVELS!!!**  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

### ATTENTION ALL COACHES

Please double check your **departure schedule**. Notify the tournament booth of any deviations or changes.

### CHAMPIONS

Girls Cactus Champion:

**Redmond (WA)**

Girls Jam Champion:

**Chelan (WA)**

Boys Cactus Champion:

**Scottsdale Christian (AZ)**

### Day Three Results

#### **-Mens D III**

Calvin College - 61  
Loras College - 78

Lewis and Clark College - 58  
Ohio Northern Univ - 63

#### **-Boys Cactus**

Valley (AZ) - 57  
Precision (AZ) - 90

North Pointe (AZ) - 63  
Oak Bay (Canada) - 71

Grant County (KY) - 51  
Woodinville (WA) - 78

Mercyhurst (PA) - 48  
Scottsdale Chr. (AZ) - 50

#### **-Girls Cactus**

Wiregrass (FL) - 65  
St. Thomas (Canada) - 24

Dorsey (CA) - 50  
Redmond (WA) - 62

#### **-Girls Jam**

Buckley (CA) - 44  
Hayden (AZ) - 41

Chelan (WA) - 54  
Chestermere (Canada) - 14

### Verse of the Day:

**1 Samuel 16:7** -- But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

### **Fiesta Bowl Block Party**

Are you wondering about all the activity outside our hotel the past couple



of days? Tonight is the annual Tempe Fiesta Bowl Block party to ring in the new year (even though the Fiesta Bowl game isn't until January 4th...and it's in Glendale, not Tempe.) Still, the Block Party typically draws crowds over more than 100,000 and it runs from 5:00pm - 12:30 am on New Year's Eve.

**Insight Bowl:** Tonight, New Year's Eve, 4:00 pm, at Sun Devil Stadium. This year's game features Minnesota (6-6) out of the Big-10 and Iowa State (6-6), out of the Big-12.



**Site of the Day:** Sun Devil Stadium – Home to the ASU football team since 1958, holds 75,000 people. Sun Devil Stadium was the original home of the annual Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, hosted the 2008 Insight Bowl, and hosted the 1996 NFL Super Bowl. Constructed between two mountain buttes, the stadium was literally carved from the desert.

**All Tournament Teams**

<b>Boys Cactus</b>
<b>MVP:</b> Hayden Johnson (Scottsdale Christian)
Judah St. Amand (Scottsdale Christian)
Josh Chojnacki (Mercyhurst)
Reese Pribilsky (Oak Bay)
Isaiah Wartman (Grant Co.)
Max Forde (Woodinville)

<b>Mens D-III</b>
Matt Veltema (Calvin)
John Mantel (Calvin)
Kelly Edwards (L&C)

**WHAT A GREAT WEEK OF BASKETBALL!!** – Thanks for your help to make the Cactus Jam such a wonderful tournament. Everyone will take home memories that will last a long time. The Basketball Travelers Staff hopes to see you at one of our tournaments again. Thanks Again!!

**REMEMBER THE SURF:** Next year you are invited to visit



beautiful San Diego and the Surf 'N Slam High School tournament between

Christmas and New Years. We have brochures at the tournament information desk, or you can call Erik Evans at the Basketball Travelers office, 425-776-2775.

**FINAL STANDINGS**

<b>Girls Cactus</b>
<b>1- Redmond (WA)</b>
<b>2- Dorsey (CA)</b>
<b>3- Wiregrass (FL)</b>
<b>4- St. Thomas (Canada)</b>

<b>Girls Jam</b>
<b>1- Chelan (WA)</b>
<b>2- Buckley (CA)</b>
<b>3- Hayden (AZ)</b>
<b>4- Chestermere (Canada)</b>

<b>Boys Cactus</b>
<b>1- Scottsdale Chr. (AZ)</b>
<b>2- Mercyhurst (PA)</b>
<b>3- Woodinville (WA)</b>
<b>4- Oak Bay (Canada)</b>
<b>5- Grant County (KY)</b>
<b>6- North Pointe (AZ)</b>
<b>7- Precision (AZ)</b>
<b>8- Valley (AZ)</b>

**FAREWELL!!** We appreciate you all for your excellent attitudes, efforts, and good behavior and we wish you all the best in the New Year! We hope to see you again someday and thank you for coming! God bless you all!

**All Tournament Teams**

<b>Girls Cactus</b>
<b>MVP:</b> Chandler Jones (Redmond)
Stacey Kimball (Redmond)
Marissa Pratt (Redmond)
Kyndal Charleston (Dorsey)
Laquetta Benjamin (Dorsey)
Kayla DeLoach (Wiregrass)

<b>Girls Jam</b>
<b>MVP:</b> Kelli Bowers (Chelan)
Houston Robison (Chelan)
Lindsay Schapiro (Buckley)
Erin Fukushima (Buckley)
Irmalinda Marinez (Hayden)
Amber Smith (Chestermere)

**CHECKING OUT OF HOTEL:** There will often be many teams checking out of the hotel at once. Please leave ample time to accomplish this. Also, you must pay all incidentals upon checkout (movies, restaurant charges, phone, etc.) or they will automatically be billed to your credit card.



**EVALUATION FORMS:** Please take the time to fill out the evaluation form that was under your door. If you need another, pick one up from the lobby desk. Your comments are important to us! Thank you.

