



## **Oregon Youth Soccer Association Offers Jimmy Conway Scholarships**



Portland, OR – The Oregon Youth Soccer Association is pleased to announce the availability of the Jimmy Conway Coach Education Scholarships beginning this year. These scholarships provides financial assistance for Oregon youth coaches to attend the US Soccer Federation National “D” license course, run by OYSA. The course is offered periodically at various locations throughout the state.

The scholarship is named in honor of the OYSA’s former director of coaching, who spent 28 years directing the state’s accredited training and development programs for both youth players and coaches. Conway retired from the position late last year for health reasons. He is a former player and captain of the Portland Timbers and was the club’s assistant coach during two stints covering eight years. Conway also is a former international player with 20 caps for Ireland and had an extensive senior career for Bohemian FC in Dublin, Fulham FC in London and Manchester City FC.

Coaches who are interested in pursuing the “D” level license but may lack funds to attend the course can apply to OYSA using the form attached at the end of their coaching clinic manual:

[http://www.oregonyouthsoccer.org/assets/coaches/Coaching\\_Clinic\\_Manual\\_10.pdf](http://www.oregonyouthsoccer.org/assets/coaches/Coaching_Clinic_Manual_10.pdf) .

Conway was a longtime advocate of coaching education for ethnic minorities and recent immigrants to the US. OYSA welcomes applications from coaches of all backgrounds.

Conway also is being honored in August and September with a series of Testimonial events, including a golf tournament, dinner at the Nike campus, exhibition soccer match preceding a Timbers game, and several soccer appreciation days at various Oregon college campuses. Detailed information on those Testimonial events can be found online at [www.JimmyConwayTestimonial.com](http://www.JimmyConwayTestimonial.com) and at [www.Facebook.com/FriendsOfJimmyConway](http://www.Facebook.com/FriendsOfJimmyConway) .