



## JOHN WOODEN FACT

## SHEET

Late Chairman (service from 1977-2010)  
McDonald's All American® Games

### **Coaching Experience:**

- Coach of UCLA Bruins – 1949-1975
- Coach of Indiana State University – 1947-1948

### **Career Records:**

- **Most consecutive NCAA victories:** 88. Wooden was the only basketball coach to have four consecutive undefeated seasons, all at UCLA
- **Most NCAA championships:** 10, all with UCLA
- **Most consecutive NCAA championships:** 7
- **Most undefeated PAC-8 conference championships:** 8. No other PAC-8 (now the Pac-10) team has ever gone undefeated in conference play
- Was involved with the McDonald's All American Games since its inception in 1978

### **Awards:**

- One of only two men (Lenny Wilkens) to be inducted into the National Basketball Hall of Fame as both a player (1960) and coach (1970)
- College Basketball Player of the Year – 1932 at Purdue University
- Three-time All-American at Purdue University
- Awarded Big Ten Medal for Proficiency in Scholarship and Athletics – Purdue, 1932
- Elected to Helms Athletic All-Time All American Basketball Team in 1943
- Inducted into the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame in 1964
- College Coach of the Year – 1964, 1967, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1973
- *Sporting News* Sportsman of the Year in 1970
- *Sports Illustrated* Man of the Year in 1973

### **Of Interest:**

- Lifetime winning percentage of .815 (677-161)
- Never had a losing season
- Author of "They Call Me Coach" as told to Jack Tobin, 1972
- Author of "Wooden: A Lifetime of Observations & Reflections On & Off the Court" with Steve Jamison
- Author of "My Personal Best: Life Lessons from an All-American Journey" with Steve Jamison
- Author of "Coach Wooden's Pyramid of Success: Building Blocks for a Better Life" with Jay Carty
- Author of the children's book "Inch and Miles: The Journey to Success" with Steve Jamison, Peanut Louie Harper and Susan F. Cornelison