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Olympic gold medalist Dorothy Hamill headlines high school sports leadership program at University of Richmond Sept. 8

Dorothy Hamill, 1976 world and Olympic women's figure skating champion, headlines a free leadership training program being offered to high school athletic captains and team leaders Sept. 8 at University of Richmond.

Run by the university's Center for Educational Leadership and sponsored by local charities and businesses, the Heart of the Team program teaches Richmond-area interscholastic athletes to be principled leaders and role models, both on and off the playing fields. Around 60 student-athletes are expected to attend.

Spider men's basketball head coach Chris Mooney and women's field hockey head coach Gina Lucido will join Hamill in an 11 a.m. panel discussion. Experts in leadership and sports psychology will lead other workshops during the event, which runs from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Jepson Alumni Center. "Playbooks" highlighting key themes will be given to student participants.

Launched in 2003 by the American Heart Association, Ukrop's Super Markets, Chesterfield Public Schools and the Center, Heart of the Team is run by a board of community activists from greater Richmond who have been involved in leadership and high school sports. For more information, call Eric Loepp of the Center for Leadership Education at (804) 516-2926, e-mail Loepp at eric.loepp@richmond.edu or visit www.heartoftheteam.org.

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