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# Sports & the Media:

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# What is Mass Media?

• "Means of public communication reaching a large audience"

- American Heritage Dictionary, 4th ed.

• "Newspapers, motion pictures, radio, television, and magazines, all of which have the technical capacity to deliver information to millions of people."

- American Heritage Dictionary of Cultural Literacy, 3rd ed.



# The purpose of the Media

- Primary purpose of the Media
  - to transmit information of interest to its specific target audience
- The media business is essential to give the editorial staff the freedom and funding needed to pursue their journalistic responsibilities.



# Mass Media Structures

- Print
  - Newspapers
  - Magazines
- Electronic
  - Radio
  - Television
- Internet



"I can't wait to see the highlights on TV!"



#### TABLE 13.1 Number of Television and Radio Stations

Nation	Number of TV stations	Number of AM radio stations	Number of FM radio stations
Australia	104	262	345
Canada	148	245	582
Japan	211	215	89
Russia	7,306	323	~1,500
United Kingdom	940	206	696

Data based on Central Intelligence Agency, 2008, The world factbook 2008. Available: www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/



### **Positive Effects of Sport Media**

Create excitement leading up to sporting events by describing the action during the event.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nySProefTHc&t=7s

- Affect the popularity of sport,
- Provide free publicity
- Present player personalities and build fan allegiance to teams and individual players.
- To attract an audience and participants



#### **Negative Effects of Sport Media**

- Rule Changes MLB strike zone & DH (Designated Hitter)
- Attendance Declines Due to Televised Sport
- Gambling



# Delivering the announcement

- By holding press conferences
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vk6jY</u>
  <u>T7PB0Y</u>
- By sending press releases through the mail, via e-mail, or by fax

## **Press Conferences**

 Valid reasons for calling a press conference - A major change in personnel including players, coach, owners, or management **\*\*A.J. Burnett press conference\*\*** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ucziOp19i7 k&feature=PlayList&p=39929FFDD4AAA4B 0&playnext=1&playnext from=PL&index=1



# **Press Conferences**

- Scheduling of an important event
- A change in facility location or name
- Introduction of a new or revised product such as new uniforms or logo
- Presentation or display of award
- Announcement of a new rule or policy



## **Press Conferences**

- Announcement of a major sponsor/ partnership agreement
- Announcement of an infraction or rule violation
- \*\*\*A-Rod Press Conference\*\*\*
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kwLszC Gc8Vg

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FA7ty2L

## **Press releases**

- Standard press release criteria
  - Double-space content on 8.5-by-11-inch paper using only one side of each sheet
  - Side margins should be 1 inch/bottom 2 inches
  - The supplier's name, address, and contact information



- Arrange the material in descending order of importance
- Include the 5Ws (Who, What, When, Where, and Why)
- Utilize quotes from key personalities
- Brevity is key; Sentences not exceed 17 words and paragraphs 2-3 sentences
- Mark the release's conclusion with a series of

circled "###" or "End"



## Servicing the Media at the Event Site

#### Media Guides

- Typically developed as a preseason or pre-event content supply tool
- a team media guide includes basic profiles and photographs of each player, coach, and selected members of the administration



## Servicing the Media at the Event Site (Continued)

- Accreditation
  - Maintaining a safe, exclusive, and professional work environment for the media and to maintain a reasonable level of security for the athletes and others working in nonpublic areas
  - includes the design and distribution to authorized personnel passes that visually identify the bearers/affiliation and permit them access to restricted areas



# **Media Center Facilities**

- Media workroom
  - seating with tabletops/multiple power outlets and surge protectors/telephones/high-speed data lines/workspace lightning/television monitors/fax machine/rosters and line-ups/press releases/media guides/
- <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BYrUZf</u> <u>Nbieg</u>











# **Media Center Facilities**

- Media Lounge or Hospitality Area
- Media relations office
  - located within close proximity of the media workroom
  - the office should be staffed at all times



## **Media Center Facilities**

- Press conference and interview facilities
  - quiet/limited access space
  - media seating
  - table microphones with flashes for interviewees
  - wireless microphones for moderator and interviewer questions
  - camera/photographer riser
  - lightning for stage and podium

