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CSUN All-Star Games. Story Here. Boys and Girls

USC-Bound Bryce Jones from Taft of Woodland Hills capped his stellar two-year career in the San Fernando Valley with an M.V.P. perfomance at the Valley Sports Foundation "Battle of the Valley" senior all-star game at Cal St. Northridge.

Jones' West team blew a 13-point second half lead but Jones made a layup with 1.6 seconds remaining to lead the West to an 87-84 lead.

"It was just a lot of fun," Jones said. "Everybody brought their "A"
game. There were so many unbelievable players out there."

The West led most of the game and was up 72-59 with eight minutes remaining when the East rallied.

Knight of Palmdale's Larry Slaughter finally tied the game at 82-82 with two minutes remaining and Golden Valley of Valencia's Trevor Wiseman put the East ahead by two points.

However, Trevor Medina from Granada Hills made a 3-pointer with 35 seconds remaining to put the West back on top.

The East had one last chance but Nick Brown from Verdugo Hills of Tujunga just missed on a shot from beyond half court.

"We started taking bad shots but we came together as a team the last minute," Jones said.

Chaminade of West Hills' Jamal McClerkin led the East with 19 points and 10 rebounds. Slaughter had 16 points, Wiseman had 13, Jared Garner from Grant of Van Nuys had 10 and Palmdale's Darrell Haley, a Virginia Commonwealth signee, had eight points and eight rebounds.

Cleveland of Reseda's Jason Johnson had 15 points and four assists, Tre Holden from El Camino Real of Woodland Hills had 12 points and Taft of Woodland Hills' Pierson Williams finished with 11.

Hawaii-bound guard Jordan Coleman won the halftime dunk contest with
84 points outlasting Taft's Jones, who nearly brought down the packed crowd with a flying dunk over his mom but missed twice.
Notre Dame of Sherman Oaks all-time leading scorer, rebounder and shot blocker added one more accolade to her distinguished career on Saturday at the Valley Sports Foundation "Battle of the Valley"
senior all-star game.

Not only did the 6'3 forward lead her East team to a 91-75 victory against the West by scoring 17 points, grabbing 12 rebounds and blocking six shots, she garnered M.V.P. honors in the 14th annual contest.

"To be reckognized with all these amazing athletes is a great honor,"
Burke said. "It was a great experience to play in a game like this because everybody could really play."

The East jumped out to a 16-4 lead thanks to itts height advantage and shooting.

The West, led by Chatsworth's Monica Jackson's 25 points, cut the deficit to nine points by halftime and after Jackson buried two 3-pointers it was 42-39 early in the second half.

However, the East went on a 12-2 run and cruised from there.

"We got really tired and they took advantage by running up and down,"
Burke said. "We were able to regroup and get the game back to our tempo."

Harvard-Westlake of Studio City's Nicole Hung had 12 points and six rebounds for the East, Montclair Prep of Panorama City's Chantel Dooley had 16 points and Vanessa Aguilar from Grant of Van Nuys had 14.

Jackson was the only player in double figures for the West but Agoura's Brittany Oster had nine and El Camino Real of Woodland Hills' Sarah Rebibo had eight.

Trinidee Trice, a Northern Arizona commit, finished with seven points, five rebounds and four blocks for the West.

In the popular 3-point shootout at halftime, Agoura's Sasha Borenstein and Hung each made 13 3-pointers in one minute in the first round to advance to the finals and Borenstein made an all-star game record 16 in her second minute beating Hung, who buried another
13 in her final round.