

# A MINI “CHARIOTS OF FIRE” STRIKES THE U.S.

The national Junior Olympics qualifying competition scheduled volleyball games on Good Friday and Easter Sunday, with no time allotted for attending religious services. The alleged reason for this scheduling was to “unify the nation” by having every part of the country participate in the trials over the same weekend.

The league learned of this move about one month before Easter and immediately sent a letter to Ms. Kerry Klostermann, the executive director of USA Volleyball, expressing our grievance. We stressed the need for her organization to accommodate the religious rights of Catholic and Protestant participants in the games.

At press time, the outcome of this case was unknown. But one thing is for sure: whoever thought he could “unify the nation” by scheduling the games on Good Friday and Easter Sunday obviously doesn’t know just how disingenuous he is.