



THE OFFICIAL WORD

President's Message

Let's Build on Tradition

By Phil Vidito

The fall season is just around the corner. I would like to encourage you to attend the meetings and clinics associated with your sport.

There have been some changes made to the IOA web site. Please go into the site and check out the changes. While you are in there, please update your closed dates.

IOA is the strongest association in the state with some of the finest officials the state has to offer in any

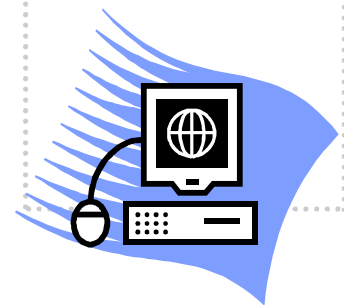
sport. We want to continue this tradition. In order to do this, the more experienced officials have to help others. Help can come in many forms: teaching, giving advice, giving encouragement, etc.

There is no limit to the number of ways help can be given. Please continue to build on IOA's great tradition. I hope you're having a great summer; I'll see you when the season begins.

Bulletin
IOA Web Site
to re-open on
July 15

After several weeks of work by Web Manager, Terry Magnuson, the new improved IOA web site is scheduled to re-open on July 15.

www.ioaofficials.com



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IOA Board of Directors

- Phil Vidito, President
- Jim Disney, Vice President
- Bob Klein, Secretary
- Brad Brooks, Treasurer
- Bob Anderson
- Mark Baltz
- Mike Bohan
- Mike Furnish
- Don Nester
- Jerry Wallace
- John Yantiss



The Board of Directors invites all IOA members to attend the second annual Open House. This is an

IOA Open House on October 15

opportunity for members to meet elected association leaders and ask questions about policies, practices, programs, and plans.

The 2003 Open House is scheduled for Wednesday,

October 15 between 7:30—9:00 pm at Farm Bureau Insurance. (see page 4)

In addition to association business, this meeting will include social time and serve as the pre-tournament meeting for the football tournament.

IOA Financial Report 2002-2003

Indiana Officials Association expenses and revenues for 2002—2003.

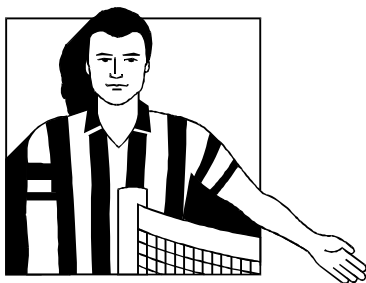
93.3% of your \$35 membership fee goes directly to IOA program costs. The remaining 6.7% defrays administrative costs.

INCOME

Assigning revenue	747.90
Book advertisers	1,240.00
Banquet guests	505.00
Uncategorized income	2,640.05
Football Class	187.68
Golf Tournament	15,310.00
IOA Merchandise	1,501.00
Interest (Bank)	68.16
Membership Dues	17,045.00
Membership—Retired Officials	105.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$39,349.79

EXPENSES

Banquet Awards	1,828.65
Banquet Meals	5,326.89
Board of Directors Meetings	571.02
Computer Expenses	1,186.86
Flowers/Gifts	261.00
Football Class	173.72
Golf Tournament Costs	12,607.06
IOA Merchandise	1,421.65
Insurance Bond	100.00
Membership Refund	70.00
Phone	17.86
Postage	2,981.49
Printing	4,238.55
Stipends for Officers (3)	3,700.00
Student Scholarships (2)	2,000.00
Sports Meetings	1,145.33
Miscellaneous	1,597.69
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$39,227.77



IOA Volleyball Chairperson Dan Ihrle (577-8495) has arranged a series of meetings for volleyball officials to review rules, mechanics, and game situations. Mark your calendar, and plan to attend every meeting.

Dates: Wednesdays

Time: 7:00 pm

Site: CYO Center, 580 E. Stevens Street

2003 IOA VOLLEYBALL

- ▶ **August 20**
New Rules Review
- ▶ **August 27**
Game Administration, Court Protocol, Legal Equipment
- ▶ **September 10**
Offense, Back Row Players
- ▶ **September 17**
Test Review
- ▶ **September 24**
Illegal Alignment, Screening
- ▶ **October 8**
Substitution, Conduct, Pre-Tourney Review

2003 IOA FOOTBALL

IOA Football meetings include guest presenters, video study, rules discussions, and position breakouts.

Dates: Wednesdays

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Site: Farm Bureau Insurance (225 S. East Street, Indy)

▶ July 30

Pre-game, New Rules, Crew Registration, Scheduling

▶ August 13

How to Break Down Game Video, Position Breakouts

▶ August 20

Coaches Panel, Sideline Management

▶ August 27

Penalty Enforcement, Common penalties by position

▶ September 10

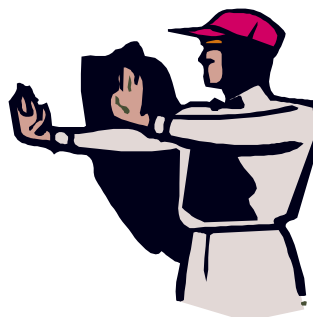
IHSAA Exam Review, Pizza

▶ September 24

What is pass interference?

▶ October 15

Pre-tournament preparation; IOA Open House



Bring your calendar to the first meeting on July 30, as several high school, junior high, and youth league schedules will be on hand.

The first meeting will also serve as an opportunity to register your crew's open dates for the next few years, or your interest in joining if you are not currently a member of a crew.

Training Program for New Football Officials

The IOA Trainee Program is a 6-week course of study designed for licensed football officials with three or fewer years of experience, although officials with more experience are welcome.

The focus of the class is mastery of football officiating mechanics, as outlined in the NFHS Officials Manual. Interactive

instruction features presentations on mechanics, philosophy, some video study, a comprehensive evaluation during a pre-season scrimmage, and some assistance in scheduling games.

The course culminates with an exam on high school football mechanics. The program fee is \$10 for IOA members.

Dates: Wednesdays (July 30 through September 3)

Time: 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. (*The 2nd half of some classes is a regular IOA Football Meeting*)

Site: Farm Bureau Insurance (225 S. East Street, Indy)

Instructors:

Dave Hubele
Tim Maguire
Bryan Neale

Register for the
IOA Football
Officials Training
program at the
certification clinic
or rules
interpretation
meeting.

Football Certification Dates—Membership Requirements

2003 is the year when football certification clinics are offered. The IOA-sponsored clinic is scheduled for Saturday, July 19 at North Central High School.

Check-in starts at 8:00 am. The clinic runs from

8:30am to noon. Pre-registration is required through the IHSAA. A token \$1 fee is collected at the door.

If you are unable to attend on the 19th, other central Indiana clinic dates are:

July 26 Lafayette Jeff HS

**Aug 2 Seymour HS
Wes-Del HS**

**Aug 9 East Central HS
Kokomo HS**

Also, the IHSAA is now implementing a policy which requires officials

applying for the tournament series to be members of a local association. Make sure everyone on your crew has joined the IOA. Contact IOA Secretary Bob Klein at 889-9681 for a membership application.



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Greenwood, IN 46143

Did you know?

The IOA logo was
the concept of
Jim Fish.

The current
version was
designed by
Scott Furnish.

Farm Bureau Insurance New Site for IOA Football and Basketball Meetings

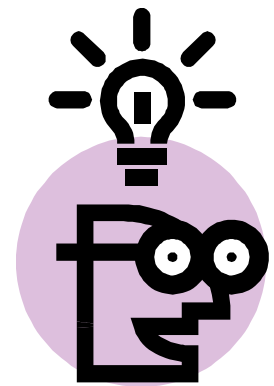
Thanks to the assistance of IOA member Mike Fawcett, IOA football and basketball meetings have a new home.

Farm Bureau Insurance, located at 225 S. East Street in downtown Indianapolis promises to provide an excellent learning and meeting environment.

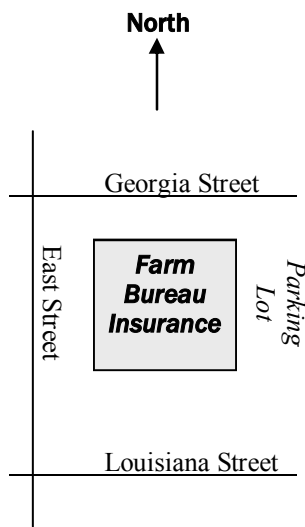
Instructions for attending an IOA meeting at Farm Bureau Insurance:

1. Use the covered parking lot behind the building, accessible off either Louisiana or Georgia streets.

2. To enter the lot, approach the parking gate, press the button, and identify yourself as a member of the Indiana Officials Association.
3. Enter the doors at the rear of the building.
4. Sign the Guest Sign-in Sheet located just inside the doors.
5. Meetings are held in Assembly Rooms A—D located on your left.



Check out the new meeting site during the IOA Open House on October 15.



IOA BASKETBALL OFFICIALS CLASS

Become a licensed basketball official

Indiana Officials Association (IOA) members Don Nester and Jim Fish, with the permission of the IOA and the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA), will be conducting a basketball officials class. This class prepares any prospective official who is about to take the licensed National Federation High School /IHSAA basketball official's exam. Our students have been 99.9% successful in passing the basketball official's test.

Classes will be held at the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) Center; 580 E. Stevens Street; Indianapolis, IN 46203; beginning **September 11, 2003, for five consecutive Thursday nights, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.**

Your two choices to take the IHSAA basketball exam are:

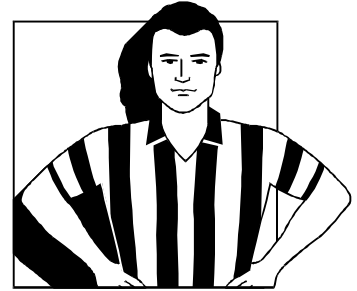
1. **Thursday October 9, 2003**, at 7:00 p.m. during this class.
2. **September 29, 2003** at the location you listed on your application card from the IHSAA.

The opportunity for you to attend clinics, officiate junior-high and CYO basketball games will be announced during our class sessions.

Cost: \$25.00

Return application and check as soon as possible to Don Nester at 6547 N. Ewing St; Indianapolis, IN 46220-3746.

Questions? Call Jim 849-9594 or Don 466-0092 (after 5:00 pm)



IOA Basketball Class Dates:

- September 11
- September 18
- September 25
- October 2
- October 9 (Exam)

All classes Thursday from 7:00—9:00 pm



IOA Basketball Class Registration

**INDIANA OFFICIALS
ASSOCIATION**

Return to:

Don Nester
6547 N. Ewing Street
Indianapolis, IN 46220-3746

Name

Street

City, State, Zip

Home Phone

Work Phone

Make check payable to

Don Nester

**Class is determined
by enrollment**