

IOA NEWSLETTER

Summer 2006

FROM THE PRESIDENT

FROM THE IHSAA

A black and white-mesh striped shirt with a 3" mesh side stripe is being marketed. This shirt is **INAPPROPRIATE** for IHSAA sponsored contests.

The IHSAA Executive Committee has informed Mrs. Wynns that there are officials who think their officiating license is their ticket into high school athletic contests. The expectation from the IHSAA office is that officials, when not working, have the same obligations to buy a ticket to enter an athletic contest as other spectators.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the Annual Banquet on Monday, March 20, the following were elected:

President–Elect – John Yantiss
Vice President – Dave Bolsega
Secretary – Don Nester
Treasurer – Brad Brooks
Board Members – Kevin Brown, Bob Klein, Joe Stafford

Along with President Jim Disney and Returning Board Members Mark Baltz, Mike Furnish, Ed Roush, Joe Stafford, and Jerry Wallace these newly elected members comprise the IOA Board of Directors.

CHANGES IN BY-LAWS

At its meeting on April 23 the Board of Directors voted to adopt the following changes to the IOA By-Laws:

1. The title of the position of Treasurer/Recording Secretary be changed to Treasurer
2. The title of the position of Executive Secretary be changed to Secretary
3. The Treasurer shall have charge of and custody of, and be responsible for, all funds, notes, securities, and other valuables which from time to time come into the possession of the Corporation and shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, all funds of the Corporation with such depositories as the Board of Directors shall designate.
4. The Treasurer shall receive notice of all debts of the Corporation and, after determining the validity of each shall see to their timely payment.
5. The President shall be the second authorized signatory for checks issued by the Corporation.

6. The Secretary shall prepare, keep, or cause to be kept, a true and complete record and the proceedings of all meetings of the Board of Directors and provide copies thereof to the members of the Board of Directors and to the Sport Consultants in a timely fashion.

OFFICIALS OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to IOA members Bob Anderson (Boys Basketball), Doug Gard (Swimming), and Tom Clark (Wrestling) for being selected by the IHSAA Executive Committee as Official of the Year in their respective sports for 2006-07. The various sport consultants submit a nominee to the IOA Board of Directors for approval. The names are then sent to the ASOA. The ASOA will then send a name to the Executive Committee of the IHSAA for final selection. Other IOA members nominated were: Dave Hubele (Football), Phil Vidito (Girls Basketball), Grady Smith (Baseball), Rodney King (Track), Jeff Mohler (Cross Country), Dan Morgan (Volleyball), and Tim Maguire (Softball.)

IHSAA records indicate that the following IOA members have been selected as Official of the Year. If these records are incorrect please notify Don Nester so the records may be updated.

Cross Country – 1982-83 Harry Inskeep; 2003-04 Larry Maxwell
Soccer – 2003-04 John Bowen; 2004-05 Kelly Dennis; 2005-06 Ken Mather
Football – 1984-85 Phil Hardwick; 1985-86 Bill Pittman; 1986-87 Tom Bohlson;
1999-00 Jim Disney
Wrestling – 1993-94 Larry Williams; 1995-96 Jim Beeson; 1999-00 Larry Metzler;
2001-02 James Russell; 2005-06 Frankie J. Medvescek
Girls Basketball – 1996-97 Terry Magnuson; 1997-98 Mike S. Smith
Boys Basketball – 1996-97 Ray Tebbe; 1999-00 Mike Bohan; 2003-04 Rex Nichols;
2005-06 Mark Baltz
Track – 1986-87 Billy Walker; 1989-90 Larry Maxwell; 2002-03 John Yantiss
Baseball – 1986-87 Jim Fish; 1995-96 Mike Wallpe; 1996-97 Don Nester;
2003-04 Charles Leonard

STATE FINALS OFFICIALS

The Indiana Officials Association (IOA) realizes that the goal for most officials is to obtain the status of a **State Final Official** in his or her sport(s). Therefore, the Board members proudly recognize the following officials who worked the State Finals during the 2005-06 season. Congratulations and good luck on returning.

Baseball – Kevin Brown, Grady Smith
Boys Basketball – Bob Anderson, Mark Baltz, Mike Eason, Grady Smith, Mike Wallpe
Girls Basketball – Derek Howard, Kevin Moore, Phil Vidito
Football – Kevin Lewis
Boys Soccer – Ken Mather
Softball – Dave Bogard
Swimming – Mark Friend
Track – Larry Maxwell

Wrestling (Individual) – Jim Beeson, Glen Crocker, Steve Hunter, Frankie Medvescek, Jim Russell (Supervisor)
Wrestling (Team) – Ray Orosco, Jim Beeson (Supervisor)

SPORT CONSULTANTS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

A big “THANK YOU” to those who are serving as either a Sport Consultant or Committee Chairman for 2006-07.

Baseball – Matt Craig
Basketball – Brian Heaton, Kevin Moore
Football – Dave Hubele
Soccer – John Bowen
Softball – Dave Bogard
Swimming – Mark Friend
Track/Cross Country – Dan Cummins
Volleyball – Ed Roush
Wrestling – Dave Nicholson

PRESIDENT’S AWARD

Established in 2002, the IOA recognizes one of its members who displays leadership qualities, represents the association professionally, and serves its membership to the fullest. This recipient is presented a plaque by the president at the Annual Banquet. Receiving the award in March of 2006 was Bob Klein. Congratulation, Bob!

INDIANA OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION BUDGET 2006-07

INCOME

Membership Dues	\$21,000
Advertising	1,000
Banquet Guests	450
Golf Tourney Receipts	11,250
Membership Retired Officials	105
TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME	\$33,805

EXPENSES

Banquet Awards	\$2,100
Banquet Expense	4,000
Computer Supplies	500
Board Expenses	1,200

Flowers and Donations		400
Class Expenses		400
Golf Tourney Expenses		6,000
IOA Charities		3,250
Scholarship Awards		2,000
Postage and Mailings		2,400
Printing		5,250
Administrative Costs		305
Stipends for Officers		4,400
Webmaster	1700 (850 payable on 10-1 and 850 payable on 4-1)	
Secretary	1400 (700 payable on 10-1 and 700 payable on 4-1)	
Treasurer	600 (300 payable on 10-1 and 300 payable on 4-1)	
Former Secretary	700 (350 payable on 10-1 and 350 payable on 4-1)	
Sport Consultants		1,350
Baseball	175	
Basketball	350	
Football	350	
Soccer	50	
Softball	175	
Swimming	50	
Track	50	
Volleyball	50	
Wrestling	100	
Committee Chairmen		250
Audit	50	
Benevolent	50	
Membership	50	
Publicity	50	
Scholarship	50	
TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES		\$33,805

FROM THE SECRETARY

In writing my first secretary's report, I thank you for voting me as the IOA secretary. I want to emphasize two items of importance at this time.

1. Make sure you **update** the website with your **open dates**. Schools are either calling me or emailing me for officials they need to contract for their sporting events.
2. Don't forget to mail me your sportsmanship cards. **Lutheran H.S.** won the sportsmanship banner last year. The card is on the website, just print it off and mail it to me @ 6547 N. Ewing St., Indianapolis, IN 46220.

The following are the **Rules Interpretation Meetings** for Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Swimming, and Basketball.

RULES INTERPRETATION MEETINGS

All meetings 7:30pm

FOOTBALL	Monday, July 24	Lawrence Central
SOCCER	Monday, August 7	Lawrence Central
VOLLEYBALL	Tuesday, August 8	Perry Meridian
SWIMMING	Monday, October 2	Perry Meridian
BASKETBALL	Monday, October 2	Lawrence Central

The following are Certification Meetings for Soccer and Basketball:

CERTIFICATION MEETINGS 2006-07

SOCCER	Sat., Aug. 5	8:30 a.m.	North Central
BASKETBALL	Sun., Oct. 22	12 noon	Lawrence Central

Membership:

As part of Steve Taylor’s responsibility, (Membership Committee Chairman), he would like to ask the IOA members to submit names of individuals who are “considering” becoming a licensed IHSAA official. We want and need to recruit young men and women who are simply interested in becoming an official, not just at the high school level, but perhaps at the junior high or youth league levels. We want and need to empower upcoming perspective officials to connect with veteran officials and crews to learn more about the different sports we officiate. Contact Steve Taylor’s work number 317.789.4530 or cell 317.294.4007. Also, you can contact Steve via email: staylor@msdpt.k12.in.us

**ASOA Meeting
May 7, 2006**

Notes taken from the ASOA Meeting on May 7, 2006

Football and Basketball coaches association would like to make recommendations on selection of tournament officials.

Assignors annual meeting will be the 4th Sunday in February

Baseball proposal by the IHSAA Board of Directors: To have a coach call a time out to contest a rule interpretation and the official go directly to the rule book to obtain the correct rule interpretation. This was voted on by the IHSAA Board of Directors but was not passed. Be aware of this proposal to come to be tabled and voted on again and possible situations like this in other sports.

Be on top of the rules. Do not set aside the proper rules.

Conflict of interest. Do not work games where your children go to school, family ties to the school, or in the school system. Be Ethical!

New Questionnaire on nominees for the official of year is on the IHSAA.net website. Deadline is April 15th. An official is not required to be a state final official, although the IHSAA Board of Directors recommends that officials should be a State Final Official. Secretaries can send in nominations for each sport at any time through their association secretary.

Football Report:

The 2006 football season is just around the corner. The Rules Interpretation Meeting hosted by the IOA is at Lawrence Central High School was on July 24, 2006. Below are the upcoming Wednesday night IOA football meetings:

Date	Main Topic	
Jul 26	Breaking down game tape a coaches perspective	Pete Metzalars (Colts)
Aug 2	New Rules discussion	
Aug 9	Coaches panel Q/A	
Aug 16	Five man mechanics	
Aug 23	Communication and crew chemistry	Brian Neal (Big Ten)
Aug 30	Difficult situations for each position	Dave Hubele
Sep 6	You make the call	Mike Furnish
Sep 13	IHSAA Test review / Pizza	Bud Klumph
Sep 20	Seven plays we can't miss	Dave Westol

Each meeting will start at 7:00 and we will finish at 9:00. We will review game tape starting promptly at 7:00 and this year we are adding some time to review any unique play situations from a game you worked or witnessed. This is intended to be a learning process for rule interpretation and mechanics.

We have another summer class of new officials that are learning football rules to be able to pass the IHSAA test. These new officials need to get on the field experience with veteran officials in a non-combative environment. The past few years we have been fortunate to assign some of these new officials with established crews to work a schools preseason scrimmage. If you know of a high school that will be conducting a team scrimmage on Aug 4 or 5 and is in need of officials contact Mike Furnish.

Also with our new officials we are in need of mentors. If you are interested in getting to know one of the new officials and creating a dialogue with them to discuss game situations, rules and general football officiating knowledge please contact Mike Furnish. We need to work with these new officials to help them with this avocation and grow our numbers. Please consider being a mentor and contact Mike.

If you have any officiating equipment that has been gently used and you will not be using it in the future, please bring it to one of our meetings. Keep in mind that some new official might be able to use your donation to offset some of their initial cost. This is a small way for us all to give something back to our avocation and help out someone that will be replacing us in the future.

Lastly, to assist each of us and any potential AD's looking to fill that last minute game assignment, please update your closed/open dates on the web site. This tool has been successful in the past and we all need to keep it up to date.

HAVE A GREAT SEASON!

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 very 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 7, 2006, for five consecutive Thursday nights, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm.**

Your two choices to take the IHSAA basketball exam are:

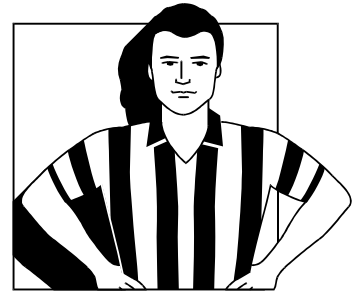
1. **Thursday October 5, 2006**, at 7:00 p.m. during this class.
2. **September 25, 2006** at the location you listed on your application card from the IHSAA.

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

Cost: \$25.00 for IOA members
\$60.00 for non-IOA members

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 7
- September 14
- September 21
- September 28
- October 5 (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**