

CEDAR RAPIDS ATHLETIC OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION

SPRING 2013 NEWSLETTER

Spring Business Meeting: The Annual Spring Business Meeting will be Monday, March 11, at 7:00 p.m. at Washington High School, Cafeteria.

Seventy-Sixth Awards Banquet: Everyone is invited to our annual Spring Banquet at the The Touch of Class on Mount Vernon Rd. S.E. on Wednesday, April 10, with cocktails at 6:15 p.m. and dinner around 7:00 p.m. We will have a cash bar. John Campbell, former KCRG Sports Director will be the featured speaker. Notice the reservation form in this letter. **PLEASE** return it as soon as possible. Your meal is free with your membership. Dinner is \$22.00 for your guest. Make every effort to attend and welcome the new officials.

A Reminder to Update the Executive Secretary: In order to have as few conflicts as possible, I would like for you to update your football schedule with me. I will be starting to schedule games in early summer. We have over 116 games to assign once again. Only paid members will be assigned games.

We Are In Need of New Officials: The need is still there! We need many new officials for this coming fall and winter. Start looking for new members. We need officials who can work middle school games and many early basketball games. We will train them and give them some start-up games. If you bring in a new member, we will give you a free banquet ticket for your guest.

A reminder to new officials who are interested in officiating. Individuals who wish to officiate football and/or basketball through affiliation with the CRAOA and its' training program for either or both sports must indicate their intent by the following dates of the current seasons: Football—No later than the first regular C.R.A.O.A. meeting for football rules study in August. Basketball—No later than the first regular C.R.A.O.A. meeting for basketball rules study in October. Individuals who are beginning officials in football and/or basketball must meet the above guidelines to receive training and game assignments through the C.R.A.O.A. Those who express an interest after the deadline can officiate on their own or wait until the next year.

State Associations: Boy's Association: I.H.S.A.A., Box 10, Boone, IA 50036. \$40.00 for the first sport and \$10.00 for each additional sport, penalty fee of \$25.00 after June 1, 2013. www.iahxaa.org. 515-432-2011

Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union, PO Box 10348, Des Moines, IA 50306-0348. \$30.00 per sport plus \$5.00 each additional sport, \$10.00 penalty after June 1, 2013. www.ighsau.org. 515-284-1969

Check out their web-sites.

Officers for 2012-2013: The President is Pat Casey (Football-Basketball), First Vice President is Joe Schmall (Football), Second Vice President is Cory Burkle (Football/Basketball), Third Vice President (Basketball), Scott Anderson (Football), Fourth Vice President. If you have any concerns, please contact any one of them.

Longevity Award: If you are one of the officials who have worked and belonged to the CRAOA for 10-15-20-25-30-35-40 years, please contact Pinky Primrose so we can make sure you will be recognized at this banquet. We will only recognize you on your anniversary date. Information is taken from the past minutes of the Association.

Speakers at Meetings: We would like to thank you speakers who have volunteered to speak at the rules sessions. If you are interested in volunteering next season, please contact Bill Yeisley for Football and Cory Burkle for Basketball.

Working State Tournament Series: The following officials worked the State Basketball Tournament Series: Corey Burkle, Joel Duffy, Jeff Frese, Jack Jaspers, Mark Murphy, Craig Murray; Chris Oberbroeckling and Jerry Winter.

Several Drop Out of C.R.A.O.A. Basketball: The following officials dropped out of CRAOA (basketball): Sam Barrett (Employment), Pat Casey (Retired), Mark Groteluschen (Family), Glen Hanson (Employment), Jesse Holtan (Moved), Chris Kenney (Health), Doug King (open book test), Eric Klostermann (Employment), Dan Kuempel (Employment), Mark Miller (Retired), Dale Morrison (Moved), Charles Porter (Retired), Doug Wick (Health).

Applying Members This Year: The membership will act upon the following officials during the upcoming meeting--Step II to Full Membership: Ken Heying, Darryl Jones, Doug Kelley, Cody Oakes, Troy Patrick, Kurt Schindler, Dan Thomas, Dave Thul, Doug Wagner. Step I to Step II: Todd Ambrosy, John BeGuhn, Mike Bonwell, Sam Burdt, Bill Connolly, Bill Johnson, Ken Koske, Alan Rath, Richard Ripley, Noel Wilbur, Bill Wilson. Transfers to Full Membership: Davis Baker, Joe Gatto, Luke Miller.

Web Site: www.craoa.com

The Following Longevity Awards: The following officials will be recognized at the banquet for longevity to CRAOA:

5-YEARS RECOGNITION: Brad Johnson (FB); Jared Kesling (FB); Mick Langguth (FB); David Law (BB); Chtris Oberbroeckling (BB); Dave Messerli (FB); Tyler Turner (BB); David VerWoert (FB); Billy Yuska (FB); Brandon Yuska (BB).

10-YEARS RECOGNITION: Craig Murray (BB); Bob Noble (FB). Kim Patik (BB) and Terry Schneekloth (BB).

15-YEARS RECOGNITION: Al Averhoff (FB); Ron Blocklinger (FB); Pat Casey (BB and FB); Pat Dolphin (FB); Kevin Fink (FB); Chris Heidelbauer (BB) and Jack Jasper (FB).

Congratulations to these officials for their service to high school football and basketball.

Hall of Fame Officials: Eighteen CRAOA officials are members of the IHSAA Hall of Fame. Hall of Famers are: Len

Benhart, Pat Casey Jack Christensen*, Bob Ferguson, Ray Hamad*, Richard Koolbeck, Randy Krejci, John Lowry*, Jim Patterson, Bud Paulsen, Ev Petersen, Lanny Peterson, James Schneekloth*, Bob Tvrdik*, Bob Vrbicek*, Fred Winter*, Jerry Winter and Bill Yeisley.

* Deceased

Don't forget to put into arbitersports your 2013 Football and Basketball Schedules.

Check out Web Site: Active members should continue to update arbitersports.com. You can now check out the Roster, Minutes, Requirements, Availability, Master Schedule, and Newsletters on www.craoa.com. If you have any suggestions, please forward them to the Executive Secretary. We will try to work with thearbiter and our web master to give you one of the best.

A Few Reminders About Membership To

CRAOA: These are some of the requirements that make our organization one of the best! 1/ You must take and pass the state test in your sport area. 2/ You must attend a minimum of three (3) local rules meetings per sport. New officials and applying officials must attend six (6). 3/ Officials must officiate six (6) or more games per season per sport. 4/ The Association does not procure Varsity officiating assignments for you! 5/ The C.R.A.O.A. does administer the Middle School, Freshman, Sophomore and Junior Varsity schedules of the Metro schools.

Change of Address: If you are or will be changing address or phone number please forward the information to the Executive Secretary. We are trying to have a 100% correct roster for you. I need your help on this. You can make the changes on arbitersports.com.

Let's Go Back Into History Of The Association! Meeting Minutes...

55 Years Ago: 1958 meeting was held at the Sheraton-Montrose Hotel. President was Les Grigg. Thirty-seven members, applicants and guests attended the dinner. Guests were Tait Cummins, Orville Rust, Len Paulu, Clarence Paulson, Bob Brooks and Gus Schrader. The Association had \$148.00 in the Bank Account. Bob Hahn was elected permanent secretary with a fee of \$50.00 per year. Applicants meeting all the requirements for approval as association members in football were Tom Swenson, Pat Loftus and Dick Jordan. Howard Wilfong was re-admitted to membership. Paul Maaske, Cornell basketball coach was the featured speaker.

50 Years Ago: 1963, the President was Ray Hamad. 43 members attended the dinner meeting at Sheraton-Montrose Hotel, Monday November 4. Jim Barenthin was dropped from the football membership because he failed to attend the required number of rules meetings. Treasurer reported a balance of \$83.25 on hand. Approval was given to Phil Dart, Jon Mullins, Harold Primrose, Ron Rohovit, Bob Ferguson and Dick Wagner. Transferred Approved went to Lloyd Spier, Dave Boggs, Con Eckstrom. Bill Quinby was elected as permanent secretary to replace Ed Lipp. Harold Still was the featured speaker.

45 Years Ago: 1968, Fall meeting and dinner were held at the Ranch Supper Club with over 100 people in attendance. Wives attended the dinner. President was Bill Brouard. Bill Reed, Commissioner of Big Ten, was the guest speaker. New

approved officials were Marv Howsare and Tom Pumroy. It was recommended that a crew of four work football games for \$80.00 rather than a three-man crew for \$75.00. Treasurer reported we had \$216.53 on hand.

40 Years Ago: 1973, Bill Yeisley was president. It was approved that the Secretary pay be raised to \$200.00. New approved members to the organization were Len Ranson, Mike Allen, Al Albers, Vince Horst, Bob Hunter, Dennis Fitzgerald, and Richard Emmerson.

35 Years Ago: 1978, Len Ranson was president. The treasury had a balance of \$904.12. Lee Mulberry, Ray Panosh, Art Seaman, Herb Schaffer, David Bunting, Steve Streff and Larry Talbott were approved as members. Keith Koch and Dale MacMillian were dropped because they lacked the requirements for membership.

30 Years Ago: 1983, John Ferguson was president. Treasury balance was \$1,113.21. New officials approved for full membership were Pat McCarthy, Dan Moore, David Stevens. Darwin Krumrey and Doug Anderson transferred into the association.

25 Years Ago: 1988, president was Ev Petersen. Checking account had \$2,090.93. The following officials were approved for full membership: Paul Schuetz, Dave Stevens, Dan Hilby, Howard James, Bill Oliver and Ron Peiffer. Dick Jordan was approved for honorary membership. Duane Kramer was the guest banquet speaker.

20 Years Ago: 1993, president was Harry Brown. The Fall Banquet was held at the Wyndham Five Seasons Hotel. We had a checking balance of \$1,967.67. Gene Smith, AD of Iowa State, was the featured speaker. The following official was approved for full membership: Bill Wilson. Jerry Tharp transferred to full membership: It was recommended that schools go to five-man crews. Ron Pexa requested honorary status.

15 Years Ago: 1998, Tom Cleveland was president. Checking account had \$2,859.00. 50 active football members, one Step 2, two transfer, and 22 Step 1 members. In basketball we had 45 active members. D.J. LeRoy was the featured speaker at the banquet. Jeff DeLong, Bill Utterbach, and Richard Wheeler to full membership. Len Benhart went to Honorary Membership.

10 Years Ago: 2003, Dan Colbert was president. Checking account had a balance of \$4,446.70. We had sixty-nine active members in football and 14 applying members. Brent Gasper, Fred Griffiths, Ethan Huisman, Kai Johnson, Craig Kissman, Curtis Olson, Patrick St. John and Ron Van Hoeck to full membership.

5 Years Ago: 2008: 2008, Mark Miller was president. The banquet was held at the Touch of Class. Paul Gavin of Mount Mercy University was the speaker. Football had 86 members and Basketball had 76. The Association welcomed to full membership the following officials: Robert Blockhus (FB); Willie Guy (BB); Rene Hilbach-Barger (BB); Brad Johnson (FB); Jared Kesling (FB); Mick Langguth (FB); David Law (BB); Chris Oberbroeckling (BB); Dave Messerli (FB); Randy Schulte (BB); Allen Stekl (BB); Joshua Tew (FB); Jason Turner (BB); Tyler Turner (BB); David VerWoert (FB); Terry Walztoni (FB); Billy Yuska (FB); Brandon Yuska (FB).

Past Presidents

1932	Tom Hayden	1973	Bill Yeisley
1933	Tom Hayden	1974	Jack Christenson
1934	Tom Hayden	1975	Bill Quinby
1935	Fred Winter	1976	Marv Howsare
1936	Alt Jenkins	1977	John Lowry
1937	Cap Hedges	1978	Len Ranson
1938	Ira Carrithers	1979	Tom Pumroy
1939	Tom Crabbe	1980	Jim Patterson
1940	Marv Levsen	1981	Rick Koolbeck
1941	Orville Rust	1982	Jim Meskimen
1942	Len Paulu	1983	John Ferguson
1943	Bill Barnard	1984	Ron Sommers
1944	Hap Wilson	1985	John Pierce
1945	Carr Lavell	1986	Randy Krejci
1946	Sam Cooper	1987	Don Holladay
1947	Tom Murphy	1988	Ev Petersen
1948	Wayne Basler	1989	Larry Palmer
1949	Lloyd Goettel	1990	Jerry Winter
1950	Earl Klinzman	1991	Mike Opheim
1951	Harold Still	1992	Don Haugen
1952	Ralph Martin	1993	Harry Brown
1953	Chuck Elias	1994	Rich Hejda
1954	George Thomson	1995	Lynn Hughes
1955	Llyoyd Wilson	1996	Larry Walderbach
1956	Bob Tvrdik	1997	Scott Freuhling
1957	Bob Tvrdik	1998	Tom Cleveland
1958	Les Grigg	1999	Rick Hersom
1959	Emil Klumpar	2000	Dick Pohorsky
1960	Don Menning	2001	Jack Jasper
1961	Ray Petrzelka	2002	Dan Hilby
1962	Pat McPartland	2003	Dan Colbert
1963	Ray Hamad	2004	Dave Brouard
1964	Len Benhart	2005	Jeff Frese
1965	Bob Vrbicek	2006	Pat Dolphin
1966	Lou Ginsberg	2007	Mark Miller
1967	Bill Brouard	2008	Mike Mitchell
1968	Bill Brouard	2009	Chris Heidelbauer
1969	Lloyd Spier	2010	Rob Noble
1970	Bud Paulsen	2011	Fred Griffith
1971	Jim Schneekloth	2012	Pat Casey
1972	Pinky Primrose	2013	Joe Schmall

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_____ Yes, I plan to attend the 76th Annual Banquet, at 7:00 p.m. at The Touch of Class on Wednesday, April 10. I need _____ reservations.

Cost will be \$22.00 per guest (Pay at the door) Cash Bar starting at 6:15 p.m.

_____ No, I cannot make it to the Annual Dinner.

Please return by Wednesday, April 3, 2013

SIGNATURE

****RETURN TO PINKY PRIMROSE IMMEDIATELY****

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