

# Fall Seminar Wrap-Up

"Just when I think our organization can't get any better, they step to the plate and make it so.

"The speakers were phenomenal and the presenters did a great job." "There's a lot that goes on behind the scenes, but they made it look incredibly easy.

Presentations by JD Collins and Debbie Williamson were an outstanding way to start the fall seminar.



The seminar started

early Friday morning as Roger MacTavish, Rich Antonelli and the Rules Examination Committee met and created the applicant test. It's an awesome task, but Roger and Rich kept the committee on track as they always do, and they completed their assignment on time.

Dr. David Hoch

President Dave Smith welcomed everyone to Gettysburg, PA. A few IAABO items were discussed and then the first session began.

Debbie Williamson, Supervisor of Officials for the Big East, AAC and the A-10, and former Coordinator and Rules Editor for Women's NCAA basketball gave a dynamic, practical presentation.

Dr. David Hoch gave us a perspective from the Athletic Directors' position and provided insights that many officials were not aware



**Debbie Williamson** 

"Great job with everything last weekend - the best ever" !! "I wanted to take the time to thank Donnie Eppley and Tom Lopes for a fantastic fall seminar. The work they put in showed, and the organization members are the winners. I also want to thank the other members of the IAABO staff as well.'

of regarding their respective responsibilities.

JD Collins, Men's Coordinator of Officials for the NCAA, provided a capsule of how officials are selected for the NCAA tournament and his

expectations for advancement.

The afternoon sessions were "Practical Officiating." entitled The presenters and topics were as follows: Let's go to the Video, Steven Ellinger, BD 205 TX: How we miss plays, Felix Addeo, BD 33 NJ; How to be a great partner, TJ Halliday BD 20 ME; Communication - Critical for Success, David Smith, BD 4 CO; and Calling the Game -- "Your Official's

Rights," with Alan Goldberger, BD 33 NJ. All were well received and thought provoking.

Back to basketball sessions on Saturday and 20- 25 minute sessions by the following presenters and their topics:

Training the Trainer, Jimm Paull, BD 42, (continued on page 3)

# IAABO Fitness Challenge

There are many factors that contribute to the quality of an official's performance on the court. Knowledge of the rules, understanding of the game, decision-making ability, communication skills, and proper positioning are just part some of the skills needed to be successful. Physical fitness and general wellbeing are also important components that allow officials to perform at their highest level.

Over the next several months, IAABO members will be invited to participate in the IAABO Fitness Challenge. Each month, boards will compete against each other by taking on a

new monthly challenge designed to promote overall fitness and wellness. Research tells us that it takes 30 to 60 days to create a new habit. Members are encouraged to continue the habits they begin during the challenge and make them part of their daily routines.

Upcoming challenges include:

\* November: 10K Challenge: Cardiovascular fitness is a key fitness component for referees. Members will be challenged to log 10,000 steps if using a pedometer

or fitness tracker OR complete 60 minutes of exercise every day. Exercise sessions do not have to be completed in one setting, but can be broken into smaller segments throughout the day.

\* December: Water challenge: 75% of our body weight is water. Water is important for many essential bodily functions like temperature

regulation, digestion and muscle and brain function. In this challenge, members will be asked to try to consume 64 oz of water each day.

January: Plank Challenge: Muscular strength is another essential component of physical fitness. (continued on page 11)



**ID Collins** 

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## **Director's Court**

*Fall Seminar* - The fall seminar kicked off the upcoming season in a great fashion. Comments from the Interpreters in attendance were that they were armed with materials and ready to ensure that their board would be ready for the start of the season.

With that said members should look to their Interpreters to share the Power Points and the new "You Make the Ruling" video in their local meetings. A



reminder to all our members that starting with the first Sunday in November IAABO will be posting a play of the week on the IAABO website for the following 17 weeks. Please look each week and keep thinking and talking basketball officiating. We track the number of hits each week and our goal is to hit 10,000 each week. Log in !!!!!!

A reminder also regarding the refresher exam, it is developed to make you think about the rules and where to find the rule references for each question. The questions are thought provoking and designed to be that way.

Lastly, just a reminder that as the new cadets are finishing up their classes and are preparing for their test and then pass the test, that they are our new members. Make them feel welcome and help them understand the workings of their new IAABO board. Remember somebody helped you when you came up. Best wishes for a great season and keep on searching for the perfect game.

## **President's Corner**



Fall is here, at least in Colorado. The leaves have turned and most have fallen to the ground, mornings are much cooler with dew and frost often on the grass and the days bright and sunny with a little nip in the air. The NFHS has held its winter season interpreter conference call, the NCAA has conducted its regional clinics and high school fall sports are fast approaching the post-season – all signs that the basketball season will be here before we know it.

As promised in the last "President's Corner," the Fall Interpreter's Meeting was phenomenal. Just when we thought it couldn't get any better, it did! Our

goal of providing IAABO officials with informative and relevant topics and training material covering rules, mechanics and signals, communication, the use of video, leadership, understanding why we miss plays and how to be a better partner was certainly achieved. All of the presentations and additional training material, including Crew of 2 and Crew of 3 mechanics DVDs, the "You Make the Ruling" DVD and last year's video we produced for the NFHS were provided to every board interpreter. As members, make sure your local board interpreters and trainers are using this outstanding material in your clinics and meetings.

Most of us have taken a bit of a break from summer leagues and enjoyed some time away from the game with our families and friends. It is now time to get back into the rules, mechanics and of course physical preparation.

From a rules perspective, there are few changes this year. That means we can concentrate on mastering our knowledge of the rules and their application. Get into the book and discuss plays and rulings with your colleagues. Challenge yourself to become a rules expert. Not a rules knitpicker, but a resource who understands the rules, their intent and their application.

Become a mentor. Demographically, IAABO, consistent with the rest of the workforce, is getting older. To help prepare our newer officials to be the best trained they can be, we need to have our most experienced and well-respected officials pass along the knowledge passed down to them and gleaned throughout their careers. This is an important way to ensure IAABO's highly respected reputation and tradition of excellence is maintained in the future.

As part of your physical preparation, I would like you to go to the IAABO website and click on the archives link under the IAABO menu to review a preseason fitness program that was presented by IAABO's "Ask the Trainer," Michelle Futrell, at the 2011 Fall Seminar. Michelle's program includes information on cardio-respiratory fitness, muscular strength and endurance, flexibility and body composition. Strategies, benchmarks, tables and strategies are provided that will let you evaluate where you are and track your improvement. This document will provide you with information to help you prepare for the season and keep you healthy throughout.

One of the objectives I set for my year as President of IAABO is to improve the awareness of the importance of health and wellness to our members and their families. To help us reach that objective we will be implementing a series of "challenges" to our members and boards. Each month a new "challenge" will be issued with an accompanying article explaining the challenge and suggestions on how to implement it. A way to track participation will also be available. There will also be a season-long challenge that too is a part of overall health and wellness. The "challenges" will be available on the IAABO website, Facebook and Twitter and sent to the board secretaries and interpreters at the beginning of each month throughout the season, starting in November.

As we begin the 2016-17 season, let's not forget that high school basketball is part of the educational process and we are an integral part of that process. Let's make this season IAABO's best yet.

# Fall Seminar (continued from page 1)

NY; Crew of Two Review, Dan Shepardson, BD 105 VT; Crew of 3 Review, Layne Drexel and Kelly Callahan, BD 11 DE; Teaching each rule, TJ Halliday, BD 20 ME; Mechanics Refresher, Michael Statham, BD 12 DC; Contact Concerns, Jeff Jewitt, BD 71 AZ; Free throw, Throwin, Timeout refresher, Peter Palermino, Val Light, BD 6 CT; Traveling Refresher, John Rafferty, BD 95 MA; Clarifications and Reminders, Mike McPhee, BD 212 ON.

Lou Levine BD MA, received the "Great Call Award" from NASO for his fundraising efforts on behalf of Officials vs. Cancer. A video was shown that captured the awards ceremony at the NASO Summit.

The Interpreters roundtable was next, and we introduced the new version of "You Make the Ruling," and discussed the role of the Interpreter and how important that role is in IAABO. Your dedication to the position of interpreter continues to make IAABO the number one training organization in the country. We cannot do that without the interpreter.

Suggestions for next year include: how to retain membership, working with veterans, direct instruction on a rule topic, making new officials feel comfortable, and a panel of coaches.

Tom asked for members to submit an article for Sportorials and that if it were accepted, the writer would receive a check for \$100 for a full page and \$50 for a half page. A description of the materials that would be given to the interpreters on Sunday, particularly the items found on the flash drive, was discussed.

If you are an IAABO Interpreter and attended the Fall Seminar, then you left with an armful of instructional materials provided by the IAABO presenters and the IAABO office. If you are an IAABO member, then you can expect to view the 2016-17 "You Make the Ruling" DVD, included in these materials, that illustrates a variety of plays and mechanics for discussion at your board meetings.

Tom spoke on the role and responsibilities of the Interpreter, described the conference calls that will be held during the season, and thanked the interpreters for their continued passion for their role.

Donnie Eppley covered the following topics, including Play of the Week, which starts in November, and will be on website.

All have received the handbooks and most of you are already using them in your applicant classes.

The refresher test is already in your package and has been mailed out to you.

Saturday night was a great highlight to the weekend if you attended the show "Gettysburg the Musical." It was very entertaining and a super performance.

Sunday morning started off with Donnie Eppley discussing the proper use of signals, followed by the rules changes and points of emphasis conducted by IAABO's Coordinator of Interpreters Peter Webb. After Peter's presentation, an announcement was made that Peter Webb has decided to retire at the end of the year (June 30, 2017). He received a long standing ovation and was thanked for his many years of service.

At the conclusion of the session, the materials were distributed to each board in attendance, and we said goodbye to our new and old friends, thanked everybody for attending and for a great time. The interpreters left and headed home ready for the new member classes as well as ready to refresh their membership and prepare them for the 2016-17 basketball season.

A reminder that next year's Fall Seminar will be held in Newark, DE; the dates are September 13-16, 2017.

The spring meeting will be hosted by the state of Connecticut IAABO at the Foxwoods Resort, April 20-23, 2017. Reservations can be made at 1-800-Foxwood group code M11NT0417.

# Who/What Does "D&O" Cover?

There are some misconceptions about what a D&O Liability policy covers. A big one is that it covers the directors and officers against ALL types of lawsuits. Directors and Officers Liability insurance protects the IAABO executive board and their members that are acting in an official capacity from claims arising out of financial mismanagement, wrongful acts, discrimination, wrongful suspension or termination of officials, sexual harassment, and errors and omissions. D&O insurance does NOT cover claims arising out of any bodily injury or property damage to others. These types of claims are covered under the General Liability policy.

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### Who Is Going to Sue Me?

Member officials, parents, and coaches. These are just a few of the parties who may bring suit against an IAABO Board. Even if a director or officer hasn't done anything wrong, lawsuits must still be answered and defense can be costly. Nearly 85% of Non-Profits have an annual budget that is less than the average cost to defend a claim closed through litigation

IAABO Insurance Program At A Glance	
Why do I need it?	How do I enroll?
Liability coverage provides defense	Officials must:
against lawsuits alleging bodily injury or property damage	Be a registered member of IAABO
<ul> <li>If you are injured while officiating and unable to officiate due to that injury, you will be eligible to be</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Have paid his or her dues and insurance cost</li> <li>Be in good standing with IAABO</li> </ul>
reimbursed for missed game fees General membership meeting locations often require boards to provide proof of liability insurance	Enrollment and payment is coordinate through your board secretary. A 10% minimum enrollment per board is recommended, which entitles your board to request certificates of insurance.



If you have any questions about D&O insurance, please feel free to reach out to Eileen at estanton@bordenperlman.com





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### **Basketball Rules Interpretations - 2016-17**

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Rules Book Corrections: Page 59, Rule 9-12, Penalties (Section 11 – 12) 10-3-9 should be 10-4-9; Page 68, State Association Adoptions #2 *Note* 10-5-1a should be 10-6-1a; Page 71, Technical Foul Penalty Chart, Head Coach 20 seconds should read 15 seconds.

Case Book Corrections: Page 19, 3.3.5 Situation B change 20 seconds to 15 seconds; Page 20, 3.3.6 Situation C change 0 seconds to 15 seconds; Page 41, 5.4.19 change 20 seconds to 15 seconds; Page 76, 9.12 Situation B Ruling Correction; A2 has committed a goaltending violation. No points can be scored. Since this goaltending violation occurred during a free throw, the penalty is a technical foul. Team B will be awarded two free throws and a throw-in from the division line opposite the scorer and timer table. (4-22; 10-4-9 *Penalty*)

Arm Bar: An arm bent across one's chest is an arm bar. When a defender has the bent arm across his/her chest and on the offensive player with no exertion, there is no foul. When a defender uses this bent arm and extends it out away from the chest to push an offensive player away or to control his/her movement, it is illegal and a foul should be ruled.

Situation 1: A6 has reported to enter the game. A6 is wearing an undershirt that contains a visible logo "Nike Pro Combat" with dimensions that do not meet those of  $2\frac{1}{4}$  square inches and not exceed  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches in any dimension. **Ruling**: The official should instruct the coach and the player that he/she will not be able to wear the undershirt because the "Nike Pro Combat" logo exceeds the allowable size dimensions. The player will need to leave the bench and go to the locker room to remove the undershirt. (3-5-6)

Situation 2: B2 is in a marked lane space after free thrower A1 releases a final free-throw attempt. B2 enters the free-throw semicircle before the ball strikes the ring, contacting A1, whose free-throw attempt is unsuccessful. The official rules a foul on B4 and awards A1 bonus free throws as B4's foul is the eighth team foul. **Ruling**: The official was correct to rule a foul on B4 — illegal contact occurred. However, the official was incorrect to only award bonus free throws. B4 committed a delayed free-throw violation and A1 should have been given a substitute free throws with the lane cleared prior to the administration of the bonus free throws. Play resumes with the result of A1's bonus free throws. NFHS/Referee Basketball Preseason Guide 2016. (9-1 Penalties 2b)

*Situation 3*: The spirit group/cheerleaders move onto the playing court during a 30-second time-out. *Ruling*: The referee shall remove the spirit group/cheerleaders from the court and inform the group's captain of the reason for removal. (1-20)

*Situation 4*: A spirit group member(s) or a photographer has setup within the free-throw lane lines extended area. *Ruling*: The lead official shall request the group member(s) or photographer to move from the restricted area. (1-20)

*Situation 5*: The media person or spirit group member(s) is located toward the sideline completely outside of the free-throw lane line extended area. *Ruling*: The location of the spirit group member(s) and/or media person is legal. (1-20)

*Note* for *Situations* 3, 4, 5: Should the spirit group, photographer, etc., not be cooperative, the referee shall request the athletic administrator or game site manager to address the situation.

Situation 6: Team's school colors are blue and gold and the

predominant color of the team's jerseys is white. Prior to the game, an official observes that several team members are wearing beige pre-wrap around the entire head and blue wristbands. **Ruling**:The headband and wristbands do not meet the color requirements. The official should notify the coach that the headbands and wristbands must be removed because they do not meet the color requirements. **Note**: Pre-wrap when worn around the head is considered to be a headband and must meet the color requirements. Pre-wrap when worn around the hair, such as a ponytail, is a hair-control device. (3-5-4)

*Situation 7*: A1 has been disqualified from the game for committing his/her fifth foul or a flagrant foul. The coach of Team A is notified and then the official instructs the timer to begin the replacement period. The player is then notified of the disqualification. The coach of Team A rises from the bench and (a) talks until the sounding of the warning horn with the remaining four players who have gathered near the boundary; (b) immediately sends A6 to the table to report in. The coach then gathers the players at the sideline for a conference; or (c) sends A6 towards the table but the time indicates the 15 seconds have expired before A6 gets there. *Ruling*: Legal in (a), as long as a substitute reports before the 15 seconds lapsed. In (b), play will resume as soon as A6 has reported to the scorer. In (c), a technical foul is charged directly to the head coach. It is not an administrative technical. (2-12-5; 10-6-2)

Situation 8: A1 is fouled prior to the bonus, but erroneously A1 is awarded the one-and-one penalty. The error is discovered: (a) after A1's first free throw is successful; (b) after both free throws are successful; (c) after B1 has the ball for a throw-in following the second successful free throw; (d) after B2 has control of the throw-in pass from B1 following the second successful free throw; (e) after B1 hassecured the rebound following A1's unsuccessful second free throw. *Ruling*: In (a) and (b), the successful free throw(s) is canceled. Team A is awarded a throw-in at the spot out-ofbounds nearest to where B1 originally fouled. In (c), the successful free throws are canceled. Since the throw-in that was underway is the result of the successful free throws, it is also canceled. The point of interruption is the foul by B1. Team A is awarded a throw-in at the spot out-ofbounds nearest to where B1 originally fouled. In (d) and (e), the successful free throws are canceled. Play resumes with a throw-in awarded to Team B since Team B had the ball inbounds when the game was interrupted for the correction. (2-10; 4-36)

*Situation 9*: Player A1 has the ball at his/her disposal for a single free throw when A2 steps into the lane and then pushes B1. *Ruling*: The ball became dead when A2 violated the lane and the official rules a violation on A2 and disallows the free throw attempt by A1. The push by A2 may be considered incidental and the ball awarded to Team B for a throw-in at the nearest spot. (9-1 PENALTIES 1)

*Situation 10*: A technical foul is issued at the start of the game on Team A and the game begins with free throws. Team B brings in substitute B6 to shoot the free throw. *Ruling*: Legal substitute. The ball becomes live to start the game when placed at the disposal of B6. B6 and B5 are subject to proper substitution rules. B5 may not reenter until the next opportunity to substitute after the clock has been properly started. (3-2-2a, 3-3-4)

Situation 11: Team A is awarded an alternating-possession throwin. After A1 releases the ball, B1 commits a kicking violation. *Ruling*: A1's throw-in has ended because of B1's kicking violation. A new throw-in is awarded to Team A at the spot out-of-bounds nearest to where the kicking violation occurred. NOTE: Because the defensive team committed a violation during the alternating-possession throwin, the alternating-possession arrow is not switched.

## **End of Quarter**

Three.... Two.... One.... Bahhhhhh. End of the quarter... or is it?? Rule 5-6, Beginning, Ending a Quarter or Extra Period has only two articles in it, both of which are two pretty simple statements. Article 1 states that each quarter or extra period begins when the ball first becomes live. Article 2 says that each quarter or extra period ends when the signal illuminates or sounds indicating time has expired, as in 1-14.

Since there are no gyms in my area that have the LED lights around the backboard like we have all grown accustomed to seeing at the college and pro levels, and since most all high school gyms around the country are like those in my area, we must rely upon the horn to indicate the end of the period. Either way, Rule 5-6's articles seem to be pretty straight forward, the quarter begins when the ball becomes live, and ends when the horn sounds.

But, as we all know, there is a lot more involved at the end of the quarter than just the horn sounding. Rule 5-6 recognizes this by adding four exceptions at the end of the section, all dealing with the end of the quarter situations. These exceptions proceed to complicate what was a very simple rule.

The first exception tells us that if there is a try or tap for goal which is in flight when the horn sounds, the quarter doesn't end until the try or tap ends. The buzzer beater "try for goal) does need to be in flight, out of the hand of the shooter before that horn sounds. Normally the Trail in a crew of 2 has the responsibility to watch for this. If the ball enters the basket, we count the goal and the quarter ends. Or, once we are sure that it's not going in the basket, then the try or tap ends and so does the quarter.

Exception two says that if a held ball or violation occurs so near the expiration of time that the timer cannot stop the clock before the horn sounds, then the quarter ends with the held ball or violation. If it is not the fourth quarter, then the next quarter will begin with an Alternating Possession throw-in, not the results of the held ball or violation.

The third exception deals with fouls that occur right before the horn sounds or after it while a try or tap is in flight. It states that the quarter is not over until all related activity has been completed. No penalty or part of a penalty carries over from one quarter to the next, unless we are dealing with a correctable error (2-10). So, with that foul, if free throws are needed, we take care of them right now. The lane would be cleared since the quarter will end on the make or miss. Both teams should remain near their bench areas if it's the end of the second quarter, since halftime hasn't started until we take care of the free throws. If there is any additional activity that needs to be dealt with before the free throws are finished, normally a technical foul, then that activity also needs to be taken care of now, as part of the "current" quarter.

For example, B1 fouls A1 during a last second try to end the first quarter. As the official is reporting the foul on B1, B1 mouths off to the calling official who then assesses a technical foul on B1. Since all this activity is occurring in the current quarter (first quarter), A1 will shoot 2 free throws for the original B1 foul and any other Team A member will follow up with 2 more free throws for the technical foul.

All free throws are taken with the lane cleared and after the last one is taken, then the first quarter has come to an end and since we cannot carry over any part of the penalty, the second quarter will start like normal with an Alternating Possession Throw-In. Of course, the third exception has an exception itself. If the ending quarter is the fourth quarter or any extra period, then no free throws are attempted if they will have no effect on the final outcome of the game.

The last exception in rule 5-6 deals with a technical foul which occurs after the ball has become dead to end the quarter. In our play, B1's technical happened while the quarter was still ongoing due to the original foul. If the timing of that technical occurred after A1's free throws, then the quarter would have ended and we will begin the

second quarter with Team A's free throws and a division line throw-in for Team A for the technical, not an Alternating Possession throw-in.

This is true for the ending of any quarter except for the fourth quarter or any extra period. Once again we have to take into consideration whether or not the free throws will affect the outcome of the game. If not, then the free throws are not attempted. The game ends and the referee should approve the final score and then all officials should leave the visual confines of the playing area. Now, if the game is close and the free throws will either determine the outcome or force an extra period, then we have to deal with them. There is an excellent case book play, 5.6.2 Situation C which covers it.

The ball is in flight during a try by A1 when the horn sounds. The ball enters the basket making the score (a) A-60, B-60 or (b) A-61, B-60. Clearly after the ball becomes dead, A2 contacts B1, a dead ball technical. Let's look at (b) first. Since the free throws could impact the outcome, we will put Team B on the line for 2 free throws. If neither or both free throws are made, then the game ends. If only one is made, then an extra period is necessary and it will be started with a jump ball. In this case, the division line throw in part of the penalty is not carried over to the extra period.

Now in (a), the fourth quarter is deemed to have ended with the score tied and in this situation, the penalty for the dead ball technical carries over into the extra period. The extra period would start with Team B taking the 2 free throws and then getting the ball at the division line for a throw-in. Set the arrow towards Team A's basket once the ball is at the disposal of Team B's thrower and away we go.

I admit that it would have to be a perfect storm to find yourself in a situation like the case book play with the probability of it happening to be very small. But, if you misapply this rule by shooting those Team B free throws as a part of the fourth quarter in a tie ballgame, it will feel like you are in the Atlantic, in a small boat during a hurricane. I'm not sure that anyone will be able to save you.

The IAABO pregame conference card has a line item for End of Quarter, Half and End of Game procedures. Review rule 5-6 during your pregame conference with your partners to remind yourselves what needs to happen if you encounter one of these four exceptions outlined above.

Lastly, when it comes to the end of the quarter, the question in my mind is whether or not the officials need to blow the whistle to indicate that the quarter has ended. Rule 5-6-2 says the quarter ends when the horn sounds, so why do some officials blow their whistle? Over the years I have spoken with several Interpreters, including my state Interpreter, Bill Boutilier (Boots) about this topic.

Since the IAABO materials do not directly address this topic, Boots and I have boiled it down to a philosophy type of thing. We both agree that when we started officiating long ago, it was common practice to do just that, blow the whistle. Now we both tell our members not to blow the whistle.

As Boot's puts it, "Every time we blow the whistle, it means something, there is a foul or a violation or a time out request, etc., but now we are blowing the whistle for nothing?" On a contested last second try, the coaches hear a whistle and think that there is a foul only to find out that the official was blowing it to end the quarter. Followed by a ten-minute rant about how the official swallowed their whistle and changed their mind on the call.

Either way, whistle or no whistle, officials need to be clear and not tentative in these situations. Make sure everyone on the crew knows who is ruling on the last second try and come out strong, especially if it's the fourth quarter of a close game.



Mark Chylinski is the Interpreter for Board 25, Massachussets and presented at the 2014 IAABO Fall Seminar.

# **Fall Seminar Photos**



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Joe Gintoli, Bd. 9 CT, addresses the Constitution Committee



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Billy Finch and his wife, Carol, in Gettysburg, "The Musical"



### When Officiating Doesn't Matter Ed King Balances Daughter Kaylan's Kidney Transplant with Basketball



Sometimes officiating basketball doesn't matter quite as much as it used to. Ed King knows.

He's been through the ringer as his daughter Kaylan faced a myriad of health issues related to being born with one kidney that was severely under-sized, ultimately necessitating an emergency transplant from her mother, Summer Grossman, in March 2015. He'd prepared mentally and emotionally for years

knowing that one day Kaylan might need the transplant. During the latter part of 2014, as Kaylan's kidney function was rapidly declining, King tried to balance his time and stay committed to her health. With basketball officiating and his full-time job, he didn't know if he was going to make it.

Ed played basketball his entire life. In late 2008, he got laid off from his full-time job at DHL. The layoff prompted him to prepare for secondary income through officiating, which had always intrigued him. He joined IAABO Board #12 the following year.

Kaylan was born in 2000. Her medical issues were noticed in ultrasounds during Summer's pregnancy, then fully diagnosed after birth. Her left kidney shifted over to the right side but cysts had developed around the shifted kidney, which obstructed view of her organs and gave doctors the initial impression of Kaylan not having even a full kidney.

"They thought she had only the tip of a kidney, which immediately prompted them to move Kaylan to the intensive care unit at Children's National Medical Center. The first 7-10 days of her life were scary. Cysts were originally blocking the view of her kidneys. Even though the initial outlook after birth was not promising, blood tests showed some kidney function present. After many tests and a week in the ICU, they finally located a kidney behind the cysts, but doctors had to watch her and put her on special meds that would supplement for the smaller kidney," King said.

"They didn't really know what was going on, so as a first-time parent, it was scary" he said. Ed and Summer needed to pay close attention to Kaylan's growth spurts, as those were periods when she would be most susceptible to kidney failure due to body changes. Amazingly, she went through a normal childhood with a clean bill of health relative to her condition. She excelled in school and also in athletics. Adolescence became a focus and when Kaylan was 12 she experienced her final progression towards womanhood which coincided with ramping up her deteriorating kindney function.

By November 2013, Kaylan's kidney disease finally started catching up with her and doctors said the need for a transplant was a near certainty. By the fall of 2014 Kaylan was put on the transplant recipient list. Both Ed and Summer volunteered to donate. Statistics for living donors demonstrate a much higher success and longevity rate than diseased donors. Summer was identified by specialists at Children's as the preferable match due to closer similarities in body and kidney dimensions with Kaylan's. It was clear she would need a donation within the next year to survive, according to the doctors.

"Through an intensive matching process, Summer was identified as match, thank god," Ed observed. The transplant was scheduled for the summer of 2015, which would allow Kaylan to finish the school

year and play her first season of High School softball. But by March, Kaylan's status became critical.

"We needed it ASAP and the transplant could not wait until after the school year. The doctors were confident, and assured us she was in good hands, but coming to grips with the procedure was difficult with so many things going through my head. You want to do everything in your power for your child and her health comes before all else but as a father you also wonder how you will get through such a serious procedure financially. It was a blessing my career at FedEx came with excellent health benefits, which allowed focus to shift towards a successful surgery and Kaylan's recovery. You hear about the whole health care thing in the news all the time, but truly can't fathom how important it is until something like this comes into play. Out of pocket expense would still be considerable but having IAABO really helped that become more manageable," King continued.

Joe Marosy, commissioner/assigner for IAABO Board #12, "was extremely supportive as were my fellow officials who knew about Kaylan's transplant. I asked Joe for games after the 14/15 season wrapped in March and he didn't hesitate to offer as many as I could handle, which was a big help I officiated once a week that spring, something I'd never done before. Typically I just did the summer and regular season. Joe was awesome during the process and I will be

forever grateful," King added. King found officiating helped

get his mind off his personal issues. "It helped being on the court. I had to get my head in the game. I have younger children to take care of as well, and officiating cleared my mind. I'd be in a zone on the court instead of sitting around and thinking about all the bad things that could happen," Ed said.

### After the Transplant

The first six months after the transplant, there were many doctor visits. The first month, Kaylan had to go twice a week, then at

least every other week at a minimum up to the end of six months. The first year involves constant follow-up and getting into a routine that requires a lifetime commitment. It can take a while to get the ideal balance of meds both in terms of the dosage and timing. "We ended up going to the doctors more after the transplant than before," Ed chuckled.

As the basketball season came around, in December 2015, all parts of King's life collided. He found himself even busier at his job with FedEx, evening officiating duties ramping up, and still the need to help Kaylan's recovery process and doctor visits

"FedEx is a busy time in December. Between the doctors' visits, FedEx and officiating basketball games, I was extremely stressed. I recall a particular IAABO assignment and a new client with high holiday volumes calling me on route to the game. He wanted to get started the following day as I was heading out to a varsity basketball game. The work day would not be enough time and my partner that night recalls me juggling pre-game with logistics. I was getting four hours sleep and trying to knock out work calls," he said. King was also parenting Kaylan's 2 younger half-siblings (Gabrielle, 7 and Ethan, 5), with his wife Kristy.

"From 6 to 9 p.m. at night, I didn't think I'd make it. I was a mess. It was one of the hardest months of my life. I didn't know if I could ref.



## **Ed King**

But I made it through, and without my wife Kristy holding everything together at home I probably wouldn't have made it. When the FedEx peak ended on Christmas Eve, I knew I was good," King explained.

### Make-A-Wish

The Make-A-Wish Foundation works directly with Children's Hospital around the country and grants wishes to children with life threatening illnesses. Kaylan's wish was to meet Bryce Harper from the Washington Nationals (Major League Baseball). "Somehow Kaylan's name got picked. I think the hospital must have submitted her name somehow. You pick from four different types of wishes. The most common is kids wanting to go to Disney World, (Travel Wish) but Kaylan wanted to meet Bryce



Harper, (Celebrity Wish)" Ed explained.

Part of her award included attending an annual black tie gala, with over 500 people in attendance that raised \$600,000 that evening for Make-A-Wish Foundation.

"Bryce was flattered that Kaylan requested him, and the team went all out to make her day special. Bryce spent all day with her, brought her out on the field, took batting practice, and she got to throw out the ceremonial first pitch for the game," Ed continued.

ESPN's "My Wish" partners with Make-A-Wish and picked up the story and featured it on national TV during SPORTSCENTER on July 19th as part of ESPN's 10-year Anniversary of the My Wish Series. "Kaylan couldn't have been happier," Ed related.

People loved the ESPN piece and made Kaylan recognizable at Nats games . She received 700+ requests to follow her on Instagram before the "My Wish" segment aired. She can't count how many requests still come in daily more than a month later (with the help of a Bryce Harper Tweet).

### Worries that won't Go Away

Ed continues to worry about Kaylan. Eventually she'll be looking at college, then he wonders what will happen to her insurance coverage. He worries about the future of health care. "What is health care going to be like for her when she turns 26? What if I'm too old to donate a kidney at that time?," he asked.

The reality is that Kaylan will likely need another transplant in 10-12 years based on current transplant averages. Technology has come a long way, creating better matches, so King holds hope for things working out.

A possible donor must match a certain number of requirements, with most donors currently not hitting the full set of 12 coordinates. But that might change in the future. Technology, medications and research could hold answers. "They might be able to make transplants permanent down the road," King said.

"Kaylan is strong. She knows it's a part of her life. Sometimes she takes these tough issues better than her parents do," King observed.

"I don't want her life to be bankrupt, strapped with paying for preventive kidney rejections or future needed transplants. I want her to stay well, stay active, play softball, and live as normal a life as possible. Hopefully she lasts 30 years on this kidney," he said. "

Dave Simon has been an IAABO member since 1984 and written for Sportorials for over 25 years. Signed copies of his newest book, "Whistle in a Haystack," with Rick Hartzell, are available by contacting him a davidsimon15@hotmail.com



# **40th Year of Officiating**



Ed McCloskey, Bd. 127 NY, Treasurer, recently completed his 40th year of High School Football Officiating. Ed is also celebrating his 40th season as a member of IAABO Board No. 127 - Western Suffolk County, New York. Also shown in the photo are (left to right) Vic Federico, James Murname, Kevin Wolford, Ed and Tom Wodzenski Jr. James Murname and Kevin Wolford are members of IAABO Board 40.

## **Griffin Honored**



Wayne Griffin, Bd. 114 NY, was honored at the 50th Anniversary of the Southern Dutchess NAACP Dinner. Wayne along with Leman Anderson, co-founded a basketball program in Beacon, NY, developing youth from ages 8 to 19. Beacon Hoops is a community summer basketball camp and tournament that continues to thrive for the last 21 years. The program also allows kids that are staying in the area for the summer to participate in the league. Wayne is shown on the left.



# **Howie Green**

Howard Green, Bd. 52 NY, has officiated over 19,000 games at all levels during his 47 year career as a member of IAABO, Inc. Congratulations for a job well done.

# IAABO Military Basketball Clinic



Kelly Callahan and Layne Drexel, Bd. 11, Delaware, recently conducted a basketball rules clinic for our military personnel stationed in Germany. The clinic was held in Baumholder. In addition, they also conducted a clinic in Vicenza, Italy.

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## The Post Game: A Sportorials Roundup Interview

(Editor's note: "Post-Game" is a new feature in each edition of Sportorials that will spotlight an IAABO official. The interviews will be short, with personal and officiating questions, helping IAABO members get to know other officials from IAABO. If you'd like to submit a name for an interview, please contact Donnie Eppley at eppleyd@ comcast.net.)

This issue we feature Christopher Magistrale, who officiates out of IAABO Board #105 in Vermont. Last year he officiated his first state high school semi-final game, and he hopes to move up to the DIII college level following additional work in summer camps.

# Sportorials: How did you get your start officiating basketball and find out about IAABO?

**Magistrale:** In 2005, I was finishing my undergraduate degree at the University of Vermont. I was also employed at the Burlington Country Club, where I was member of the golf staff. Dick McKenzie, who we all referred to as "Coach McKenzie" is a lifelong member and legend of IAABO, while also a golf member at the Burlington Country Club. Dick approached me with the idea of becoming a basketball official by joining IAABO Board #105.

I was only 21 years old at the time, so I hesitated, not being sure if I was ready to concede my game jersey for zebra stripes and whistle, but Dick persuaded me to give officiating a try and now I'm forever grateful that I listened. The quote that still remains in my memory from coach McKenzie explains, "Sure the money is nice -- walking around cash -- but it's the camaraderie and relationships with other officials, coaches and players that makes the job so special. Because of basketball officiating I have friends all over the country."

Dick's encouragement, advocacy and active role modeling of what basketball officiating is all about remains with me today. He still attends many of our meetings in Northern Vermont, and I see him frequently in our small, tightly-knit community of Burlington, Vermont. Dick is one of the most friendly and optimistic people I've ever met. People who spend enough time with him are always impressed by his unselfish and peoplefirst attitude. Dick is the consummate gentleman and an influence I'm proud to acknowledge as having a huge role in my entrance to IAABO basketball officiating.

### Sportorials: What are your top officiating goals?

*Magistrale:* Right now, I'm trying to move up from high school varsity to the Division III college game. I've been working consistently on my game or as the saying goes at Hoop Mountain Camp, "chasing the game." To me, this phrase refers to repetition; it also conjured my memory of reading Malcolm Gladwell's novel "Outliers." Throughout the narrative, Gladwell repeatedly mentions the "10,000-Hour Rule", claiming that the key to achieving world class expertise in any skill, is, to a large extent, a matter of practicing for a total of around 10,000 hours. I've kept this stat in mind as I continue to officiate basketball at all levels, hoping that continued repetition and experience will help me grow and project confidence as an official. I find short-term goals to be more attainable than big, long-term pipe dreams. Right now, my goal is to earn a spot on a collegiate crew; when that goal is achieved, I will set my sights on my next hurdle.

As a side note, I've attended the Hoop Mountain Camp at Roger Williams University in Rhode Island over the past two summers, which has added tremendously to my abilities as a basketball official. There, I was given first-hand instruction on the nuances of basketball. Most importantly, Hoop Mountain Camp taught me about game management: the ability to play the role of ambassador -- to control the game with my body language, voice and whistle.

### Sportorials: Who's on your dream officiating crew?

Magistrale: Jim Chase and Dan Shepardson. I'll be the U2 for these guys any night. Shep is Interpreter for Board #105 and is recognized

nationally for his extensive knowledge of the rule book (both IAABO and collegiate), but this isn't what makes Shep so unique. His talent is about how he communicates the rules to other officials, coaches, players, and fans. Shep is one of the greatest teachers I've ever had the privilege to learn from, and I credit his expertise and skilled communication for my own understanding of the rules of basketball.

Although retired, Jim Chase remains one of smoothest, unrattlable officials who ever walked onto the floor. He also sustained impeccable judgment and could instinctively feel the calls that needed to be made in a game. I considered him a master of game management. I had the pleasure of working some games in beginning of my officiating career with him,

as he was finishing up his career and moving towards retirement. He taught me many skills in game management, most of them simply with his whistle. I guess my role would be to toss the jump ball, as at least I'd be the tallest member of the crew!

### Sportorials: Who is your hero?

*Magistrale:* My father is my hero. Just like his father was his hero before him. The trust between me and my father has allowed me to develop trust in my fellow officials. He's been my role model and confidant for my entire life and in whatever capacity I find success, whether it be as a school teacher, a coach, an official or a person. I owe immense gratitude and recognition to him.

Sportorials: What's your toughest call?

Magistrale: I find the most difficult aspect of officiating is the goal of consistency between calls. Whether your call is right or wrong at either end is less important than being consistent with the calls you make. The importance of maintaining this balance is only heightened in the final four minutes of the game, when every whistle counts more and has a larger effect on the outcome of the finish. My goal every game is to be consistent with my crew, and allow the players to decide the outcome of the contest.

## Fitness Challenge (continued from page 1)

Core strength is important to support activity and to spinal structures. In this challenge, participants will gradually increase the length of time they can hold a plank position. Members should begin by holding a plank 5 seconds and increase by 5 seconds each day. By the end of month, participants should be able to hold the plank for 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  minutes. More advanced participants can start from 30 seconds and add 5 seconds each day.

\* February: Flexibility Challenge-Flexibility is one of the most ignored of the physical fitness components. The ability to move joints through an unrestricted range of motion is important for maximum performance and injury prevention. For this challenge, members will participate in some type of stretching exercise every day for a minimum of 10 minutes. This could be simple static stretching exercises or a more formal yoga session.

\* March: Produce challenge: Providing the body with the nutrients it needs for growth and repair can contribute to overall health, wellness and disease prevention. Fruits and vegetables provide key nutrients like vitamins, minerals, phytochemicals and antioxidants. For our final challenge, members will be challenged to consume 5 servings of fruits or vegetables each day.

More information and helpful tips for meeting the challenge will be provided each month.

Michelle Futrell, is the Director of Sports Medicine and a Senior Instructor in Health and Human Performance, College of Charleston South Carolina.





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## **Situations for Review**

### **RULE 1.20 NON-PLAYING PERSONNEL**

Non-playing personnel, e.g., spirit groups/cheerleaders and media shall remain outside of the playing area during 30-second time-outs or less intervals of time during the game.

Non-playing personnel shall stand outside the free-throw lane lines extended area, out-of-bounds along the end line.

It is recommended that the 'restraining line'/space marking the distance from the end line, if space permits, be 6' feet.

SITUATION 1: The spirit group/cheerleaders move onto the playing court during a 30-second time-out.

RULING: Illegal. The Referee shall remove the spirit group from the court and inform the group's captain of the reason for removal.

SITUATION 2: A spirit group member(s) or a photographer has set-up within the free-throw lane lines extended area.

RULING: Illegal. The Lead Official shall instruct the group member(s) or photographer to move from the restricted area.

SITUATION 3: The media person or spirit group member(s) is located toward the sideline completely outside of the free-throw lane line extended area.

RULING: Legal. The location of the spirit group member(s) and/or media person meets the rule requirements.

NOTE: Should the spirit group, photographer, etc., not be cooperative, the Referee shall request the Athletic Administrator or Game Site Manager to address the situation.

RULE 4.42.5a THROW-IN AND ALTERNATING POSSESSION ARROW

SITUATION: Team A is awarded an Alternating-Possession Throw-In. A1 releases the ball and B1 commits a kicking violation.

RULING: A1's throw-in has ended because of B1's violation. A new throw-in is awarded to Team A at the spot out-of-bounds nearest to where the kicking violation occurred. Because the defensive team committed a violation during the throw-in, the Alternating-Possession Arrow is not switched. (4.29; 4.42.5a; 6.4.5)

CASE BOOK CORRECTION - 9.12 B

9.12 SITUATION B: On the second of two free-throw attempts by A1, the ball is touched outside the imaginary basket cylinder by A2.

RULING: A2 has committed a goaltending violation. No points can be scored. Since this offensive goaltending violation occurred during a free throw, the penalty is a Technical Foul. Team B will be awarded two free throws and a throw-in from the division line opposite the scorer and timer's table. (4.22; 10.4.9 Penalty)

RULE 2.10.1 CORRECTABLE ERROR

### UNMERITED FREE THROW & POINT OF INTERRUPTION

The below situation demonstrates more clearly when unmerited free throws are canceled before play resumes, it reverts back to the original foul. It illustrates the application of Point of Interruption in unmerited free throw situations. This makes sense, since all play after the foul occurred is being canceled.

2.10.1 SITUATION: A1 is fouled prior to the one-and-one bonus, but erroneously A1 is awarded the one-and-one penalty. The error is discovered:

(a) after A1's free throw is successful

(b) after both free throws are successful

(c) after B1 has the ball for a throw-in following the second successful free throw

(d) after B2 has control of the throw-in pass from B1 following the second successful free throw

(e) after B1 has secured the rebound following A1's unsuccessful free throw.

RULING:

(a) and (b) the successful free throw(s) is canceled. Team A is awarded a throw-in at the spot out-of-bounds nearest to where B1 originally fouled.

(c) the successful free throws are canceled. Since the throw-in was already underway the result of the successful free throws, it is also canceled. The Point of Interruption is the foul by B1. Team A is awarded a throw-in at the spot out-of-bounds nearest to where B1 originally committed the foul.

(d) and (e) the successful free throws are canceled. Play resumes with a throw-in awarded to Team B since Team B had the ball inbounds when the game was interrupted for the correction. (2.10; 4.36)

RULES 4.19.3 & 4; 9.13

INTENTIONAL FOUL, FLAGRANT FOUL. SWINGING ARM(S)/ELBOW(S)

New Officials may not be aware and veteran Officials may benefit from review/reminders of recent years of concern for safety and specifically contact above the shoulders. The following situations may serve as support for monitoring a ruling is such situations.

4.19.3 Situation: A1 jumps and secures a defensive rebound. As A1 pivots to throw an outlet pass, A1's elbow makes illegal contact with B1 above the shoulders.

RULING: An Intentional Personal Foul shall be charged since A1's elbow was in movement and the contact was above the shoulders. (4.19.3; 9.13)

4.19.4 Situation: A1 is trapped by B1 and B2. (a) A1 excessively swings his/her elbows and contacts with B2 above the shoulders. (b) A1 intentionally swings his/her elbow and contacts B2 above the shoulders.

RULING: A Flagrant Personal Foul shall be charged in both (a) and (b). (4.19.4; 9.13)

Contact above the shoulders, with emphasis on reducing concussions and decreasing excessive contact situations, is in need of more guidance for penalizing contact above the shoulders.

a. A player shall not swing his/her arm(s) or elbow(s) even without contacting an opponent. Excessive swinging of the elbows occurs when arms and elbows are swung about while using the shoulders as pivots, and the speed of the extended arms and elbows is in excess of the rest of the body as it rotates on the hips or on the pivot foot. Without contact is a violation as in Rule 9.13.

b. Examples of illegal contact above the shoulders and resulting penalties.

1) Contact with a stationary elbow may be incidental or a Common Foul.

2) An elbow in movement, but not excessive, should be an Intentional Foul.

3) A moving elbow that is excessive can either be an Intentional or Flagrant Personal Foul.

RULE 5.8.3 – HEAD COACH MAY REQUEST TIME-OUT REVIEW

With the change of 1998-99 came some added responsibility of the Head Coach to be sure there is no confusions surrounding his/

### Situations

her decision to request a time-out. In an effort to help eliminate possible mistakes, the following was implemented:

1. The Official must see or hear the request from the Head Coach and before the request his/her team must have player control.

2. If the Head Coach wants a 30-second time-out, the request must be made prior to the Official reporting the time-out to the Scorer, otherwise the time-out shall be a 60-second time-out.

3. If a Head Coach does not indicate a 30-second time-out request, the Official shall access a 60-second time-out, if available.

The Head Coach must realize that because of court coverage responsibilities, noise, etc., the Officials may not always hear, see or recognize his/her request for a time-out. It is possible that a requested and much desired time-out will not be granted.

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### Thank You

To IAABO,

I received my 50 year IAABO Award Watch in the mail on Saturday, I just wanted to thank you for this beautiful watch. I will wear it with honor and pride.

The 50 years I have been a member, through 4 states (NY, GA, AL & FL), has not only been a privilege, but also the best learning tool that I have had during my career.

When I began my career and throughout I have had many IAABO officials who have taught and guided me and helped me on and off the court. I am so thankful for their help that I have continually helped train young officials, the IAABO way.

My career has taken me from Frosty Francis, to Tom Lopes. Even though I plan to end my full time officiating career at the end of this season, I want to continue to be active in training and evaluating as long as I am able. I also plan to continue to be a member of the finest officiating organization in the world, IAABO. Keep my "SPORTORIALS" coming!

Thank you again, Sincerely, Joel Duberstein



## Professionalism Begins With Professional Terminology

Backboard...Not Glass

Basket...Not "Bucket" "Hoop" "Hole" "Rack" (Basket Is Ring, Braces, Flange & Net)

"Before The Try"...Not "On The Floor" ("On The Floor" Has No Useful Information)

Block & Charge Double Foul...Not "Blarge"

Center...Not Slot

Coaching Box...Not Coach's Box (Defines What Is To Be Done In The Box...Not Ownership.)

Division Line...Not Center Line, Mid-Court Line, Time Line "Designated Spot"...Not Spot (Administering Throw-In)

End Line...Not Baseline

Free Throw...Not Foul Shot

Free Throw Line...Not Foul Line

Free Throw Lane...Not Foul Lane, 3-Second Lane, Paint

Fumble...Not A Muff (Player Must Have Control Before He/ She Can Fumble)

Goal...Not Basket (As in: "Score The Goal"...Not "Count The Basket")

Grant Time-Out...Not Call Time-Out (Players & Head Coach REQUEST...Officials GRANT)

Held Ball...Not Jump, Jump Ball

Indicate Spot...Is Not Designated Spot (Indicating Is A Signal Used At Site Of Foul/Violation)

Legal Play...Not No-Call (There Is Always A "Ruling!" Sometimes A Whistle Is Sounded.)

Move Along End Line...Not Run The End Line

"Move To Improve"...Not "Pinch-The-Paint"

Muff...Not A Fumble (Player Must Have Control Before He/ She Can Fumble)

Obtain...Not Establish (Obtain Is The Better Word To Describe The Rule Requirement)

Officiate Game...Not Call Game, Control Game, Manage Game, Ref Game, Referee Game, Work Game (We Are Officials Who officiate the game.)

Official...Not Referee (There Is Only ONE Referee Per Game. "Referee" Is A Noun, Not Verb)

Player Control Foul...Not A Team Control Foul (Each Has Its Own Signal)

Quarter...Not Period

Request Time-Out...Not Call Time-Out

Ring...Not Rim

Rule, Ruled, Ruling(s)...Not Call, Called, Calling(s)(RULINGS More Accurately Describe Role)

Screen...Not Pick

60-Second Time-Out...Not Full Time-Out (All Time-Outs Are full; Full 30's & Full 60's)

Team Control Foul...Not Offensive Foul (Signal Is Not A Punch; Only Means No Free Throws)

Traveling...Not Walk

Try/Try For Goal...Not Shot



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## **OABO Fall Seminar**



The Ontario Association of Basketball Officials (IAABO Board 102) held their 2016 Fall Seminar and Annual General Meeting September 30-October 2. It was hosted by the Ottawa Valley Board of Approved Basketball Officials (IAABO Board 232) in the nation's beautiful Capital city of Ottawa.

The theme for the weekend was "Bringing

We Are Basketball

it Home Naismith 125 years," celebrating the milestone of Dr. James Naismith inventing the wonderful game of basketball. Our members had

the opportunity to visit the Naismith Hall of Fame in nearby Almonte, Ontario, Canada, the birthplace of Mr. Naismith.

The Educational packed agenda included a fabulous presentation from internationally renowned Dr. J.P. Pawliw, on the subject of leadership and "Performing Under Pressure;" a precise Rules and Points-of-Emphasis presentation from IAABO Board 102 Interpreter Mike McPhee focusing on the move to FIBA Rules at the High School Level; an in-depth presentation from Karen Lasuik, FIBA Carded Official who just represented Canada at the Rio Olympic; an informative presentation titled Proactive vs. Reactive from Warren Ponczak, a National Clinician and Evaluator from the Canadian Association of Basketball Officials: and a panel discussion which included IAABO Executive Director Tom Lopes on the recruiting and retention of new officials and the constant need to develop new training methods.

Our 14th Annual Wall of Fame Dinner on Saturday evening recognized 30 IAABO members with Certificates of Service for their commitment and dedication. On Sunday at our Annual General Meeting, we presented the Inaugural OABO Executive Achievement Award to IAABO Life Member Bruce Covert for his 30 years of outstanding service as Provincial Supervisor for the Ontario Association of Basketball Officials.

On behalf of OABO IAABO 102, I want to extend my sincere appreciation to IAABO for attending our Fall Seminar, and AGM and their tremendous support and assistance on our move to FIBA Rules.

## **Alan Rae Passes**

Allen Rae, a 55 year member of IAABO Board No. 232 ON and honorary member of OABO, passed away on August 20, 2016. The 2013 edition of the IAABO handbook was dedicated to Al. He was the first National Interpreter of CABO and a FIBA carded officials for almost 30 years. He was inducted into the Canada Basketball Hall of Fame in 2000.



## **Errata Notice**

(from the July/August 2016 issue Interpreter's Questions) 2. A-1 releases the ball on a throw-in, and before it is legally touched, A-1 and B-1 commit fouls against one another. Ruling?

Correct Answer is: When a **double foul** occurs, play is resumed at the point of interruption. Since Team A's throw-in had not ended, the point of interruption is a throw-in by Team A. References: 4.19.8 & 4.36.2b; 10 Penalty 1c

Sportorials apologizes for the error.

# **Family Affair**



Bill Dugan (center) with sons, Brendan (left)and Ryan (right), Bd. 26 MA, officiated a play-off game together. Congratulations on what was truly a family affair.

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Seth Fischer	Colorado Springs	CO
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Suzanne Tiranno	Belchertown	MA
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Sean Kirker	Wilmington	DE
Nathan Beaston	Shermansdale	PA
Lynn Straub	Kempton	PA
Jeff Reuscher	Camp Hill	PA
Joshua Goodling	Middletown	PA
Christine Springer	Camp Hill	PA
Mark Kimmel	Dillsburg	PA
John Haggerty	New Cumberland	PA
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Edward Bianco	Mechanicsburg	PA
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Condolences to: Stacy Scott, Bd. 34 NJ, on the passing of his father; Condolences to: Tom Watkins, Bd. 23 MD, on the passing of his father; Condolences to: Laney Prioleau, Bd. 290 MD, on the passing of his father-in-law; Condolences to: Gary Myron, Bd. 12 DC, on the passing of his brother-in-law; Condolences to: Alan Goldberger, Bd. 33 NJ, on the passing of his mother-in-law; Condolences to: Tom O'Neil, Bd. 114 NY, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: Arnold Saunders, Bd. 37 NY, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: Lloyd Vessels, Bd. 34 NJ, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: Pete Indelicato, Bd. 34 NJ, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: Percy Valentine, Bd. 34 NJ, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: Denise Palaia, Bd. 194 NJ, on the passing of her father, Joe, a longtime IAABO official; Condolences to: Dean Ericson, Bd. 200 GA, on the loss of his son; Condolences to: Bd. 37 NY, on the loss of their longtime board honorary member, Julius Walls, Sr.; Condolences to: Jerome Skrine, Bd. 37 NY, on the passing of his son; Condolences to: Jimmy Wildman, Bd. 6 CT, on the passing of his father; Condolences to: Marvin Benson, Bd. 157 MD, on the passing of his son; Condolences to: Kris Figge, Bd. 173 MO, on the passing of his father; Condolences to: Gary Bradshaw, Bd. 12 DC, on the passing of his father; Condolences to: Perry Lewis, Bd. 119 NY, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: Paul Bascucci, Bd. 53 NY, on the passing of this mother; Condolences to: Mike Iuliano, Bd. 119, NY, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: Kyle Toppin, Bd. 42 NY, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: George Sabb, Bd. 42 NY, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: Doug Datt, Bd. 12 DC, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: IAABO Bd. 45 NY, on the passing of their member, Neil O'Sullivan; Condolences to: Bd. 51 NY, on the loss of the late IAABO, Inc. Past President Len Maida's widow, Margaret; Condolences to: Bd. 37 NY, on the loss of their member, Julius Walls; Condolences to: Robert Kelly, Bd. 194 NJ, on the passing of his brother; Condolences to: Joe Fitzsimmons, Bd. 194 NJ, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: Ken Martin, Bd. 194 NJ, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: John Sauer, Bd. 194 NJ, on the passing of his sister-in-law; Condolences to: Rich Johnston, Bd. 194 NJ, on the passing of his father-in-law; Condolences to: Andrew Johnston, Bd. 194 NJ, on the passing of his grandfather; Condolences to: Bd. 45 NY, on the passing their member, Neil O'Sullivan; Condolences to: Ben Constantino, Bd. 53 NY, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: Dan Acanfano, Bd. 53 NY, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: Barry Fuller, Bd. 21 ME, on the loss of his mother-in-law; Condolences to: Bd. 232 ON, on the loss of their longtime member, Allen Rae; Condolences to: Rod Miller, Bd. 100 ON, on the passing of his father; Condolences to: Pete Indelicato:, Bd. 34 NJ, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: Lloyd Vessels, Bd. 34 NJ, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: Doug Hopper, Jr., Bd. 84 RI, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: Bd. 34 NJ, on the passing of their member, George "Bobby" Pugh; Condolences to: Travon Moorer, Bd. 119 NY, on the passing of his father; Condolences to: Bd. 34 NJ, on the passing of their member, Frank Gajderowicz; Condolences to: Bd. 129 DE, on the passing of their member, Sam Wylie; Condolences to: Bernie R. Beriau, Bd. 152 MA, on the loss of his mother; Condolences to: Bd. 4 CO, on the loss of their member, Greg Davis; Condolences to: Wayne T. LeSane, Bd. 37 NY, on the passing of his father; Condolences to: Bd. 37 NY, on the loss of their member Julius Walls, Sr.; Condolences to: Jerome Skrine, Bd. 37 NY on the passing of his son; Condolences to: Douglas Hopper, Bd. 84 RI, on the passing of his wife; Condolences to: Bd. 8 CT, on the passing of their member, Art Wohllebe; Condolences to Wayne Sackman, Bd. 168 NY, on the passing of his son; Condolences to: Jeff Anderson, Bd. 60 NY, on the passing of his step-mother; Condolences to: Bd. 185 NY, on the passing of their member, Bill Kuhens; Condolences to: Aaron Mitchell, Bd. 173 MO, on the passing of his mother; Condolences to: James Mitchell, Bd. 173 MO, on the passing of his grandmother; Condolences to: Bd. 39 NY, on the passing of their longtime member, Vinnie Calarco. Condolences to: Mark Chylinski, Bd. 25 MA, on the passing of his sister; Condolences to: Brent Chylinski, Bd. 25 MA, on the passing of his aunt; Condolences to: Bd. 34 NY, on the loss of their member, Jeff Goldstein.