



# TOSS-UP!!

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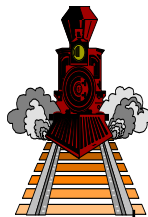
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## Renewing an old tradition!

Back in 1997 then officer Dan Cromer created the first Toss-Up newsletter to improve communication among our members. It was regularly issued until April 2000. With most members having internet access to our KBOA.org website and e-mail addresses, I felt this was an excellent time to re-start the tradition of the **TOSS-UP!!**. Hopefully, you will find valuable information in each issue, print them out for ready reference, and regularly check our website for important information even in the off season.

I welcome your comments, critique, and suggestions.

*Bob James*



## WHISTLE - STOP: PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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## Your Board of Directions Hard at Work this Off-Season

Most of us do not take the summer off from working summer camps, high school leagues, and tournaments. Your Board of Directors, BOD, has been hard at work too. We have already had three Board meetings and have set up our committees for the coming year. Below is a list of our committees and what Board members are leading this effort. Contact them directly if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions. Future TOSS-UPS!! will cover their activities.

**By-Laws:** Being completely reviewed and revised—Rick Browning, Barry Morris, Bob James, and Paul Broderick (non-board member)

**Training & Recruitment:** Toney Ramsey, Tom Wallace, John Santry with help from non-board members Chris Hudson, Darrell Logsdon, and Sarge Donohue.

**Mentor Program:** Greg Zimmerer

**Banquet & Entertainment:** Barbara Peak, Tom Wallace, & James Johns

**Christmas Fund:** Keith Carter, Tom Wallace, and honorary member Steve Coffman

**Special Olympics:** Keith Carter and Jamie Gatewood

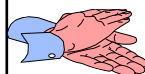
## DEADLINE FAST APPROACHING

You want to work post-season play for the upcoming basketball season? You must have your re-licensing paperwork and appropriate fees back to the KHSAA office by June 30th. Fay Isaacs at KHSAA informed me today that if she receives it on Monday July 2 that she will consider it on time. Problems—Contact Fay Isaacs at the KHSAA office—859-299-5472 or e-mail: [fisaacs@khsaa.org](mailto:fisaacs@khsaa.org). **Time is running out!**

## Congratulations!



**And Best Wishes to Tom Wallace and Kathy Sloan. Their wedding will be June 30th.**



## Officials for KY-In All-Star Games

The KBOA was well represented this year in the annual border battle between Kentucky and Indiana in Bowling Green on June 16.

**Boys Game — Alfred Smith**

**Girls Game — Andrew Moorman, Jerry Hilpp & Bob James**

**Scrimmages:** Kevin O'Bryan

**Scholarship:** Barry Morris, Greg Zimmerer, James Johns and non-board member Darin Stanfield

## KBOA DATES AND DEADLINES

PAYMENT OF YOUR 2007-2008 DUES WERE DUE BY MARCH 15, 2007. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE FAILED TO MEET THIS DEADLINE YOU HAVE UNTIL JULY 31 TO PAY YOUR DUES PLUS THE LATE FEE. THIS AMOUNTS TO YOU PAYING DOUBLE DUES. IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID BY AUGUST 1, THEN YOU ARE SUSPENDED FROM MEMBERSHIP IN THE KBOA. ABOUT 20 PEOPLE ARE DELINQUENT.

**YOU ARE A PROFESSIONAL PROFESSIONALS TAKE CARE OF THEIR BUSINESS — GET CURRENT ON YOUR DUES AND LATE FEE NOW**

SUMMER SOCIAL ACTIVITIES PLANNED: BATS GAME, GOLF OUTING, AND BELLE OF LOUISVILLE OUTING

JULY 31/AUGUST 1

DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED SHORTLY



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# THE BACKSIDE

## Board met with Varsity Assigner

The Board met with Bob McGrath on June 5 at HOOPS to discuss what worked and what needed improvement from the just completed season.

### Things we agreed to do included:

- **Ratings for this past season**—each Varsity official should e-mail Bob at nlfref35@aol.com requesting their rating. Bob McGrath will reply with your Girls, Boys, and Overall rating promptly.
- **Varsity schedules for the 2007-2008 season**—on a trial basis Bob will send out the December schedule around November 15. Officials will have 48 hrs to accept or reject. After that time Bob can reassign the game if he wishes. Tournaments will continue to be assigned differently.

Generally, scratches come into play and games get assigned with much less lead time. If this seems to be working, then he will repeat in mid-Dec for the January schedule and mid-Jan for the February schedule.

- **Improved communications during the season**—Bob has agreed that the best way to reach him during the season is via his cell phone and voice messages; not e-mails.

There is an exception though. If you want to update your close dates, he wants you to send those dates via e-mail and put in the subject header "Closed Dates". It is Your responsibility to keep your closed dates current with Bob.

- **Assignment of Games**—The Board stressed to Bob that numerous officials had periods of time when they were not assigned any games last season. Our belief is that all of our officials need to work on a regular basis to maintain and improve their officiating skills and meet the game requirements for post-season play. Bob acknowledged the Board's point and agreed to take it into consideration when assigning games for next season. He further stated that it is his ultimate responsibility for who works what games and how many.

- **Pay Schedules and Mileage Fee**—Pay schedules for all levels of high school basketball and middle school games for single and double games was confusing last season. Bob has agreed to provide the Board with this information for the coming season and possibly post it in The Arbiter. The Board will also communicate to our members and possibly post on our website.

We all know that gas prices have risen sharply since last season. Bob will explore this issue with the Policy Board President in the near future. Other sports will be facing this same issue.

Finally, the Board thanked Bob for meeting with us and we both agreed to keep the communication channels open throughout the year.

The Board is trying to set up a similar meeting with JV, Freshman, and Middle School assigner Scott Johnson to discuss what worked and what needed improvement from the just completed. More to come after that meeting is held.

KBOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 2007-2008

### Officers

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Bob James

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*Corresponding Secretary*  
Dan Gerber

*Recording Secretary*  
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Toney Ramsey

*Immediate Past President*  
Barry Morris

### Board of Directors

Kelly Bond	Barbara Peak
Keith Carter	John Santry
James Johns	Tom Wallace
Greg Zimmerer	

## **KBOA Concerns and Condolences**

*If you are aware of situations or circumstances affecting you or other KBOA members which should be shared, please notify any KBOA Board Member.*

## *Golf Outing*



Your **Banquet and Entertainment Committee** headed by

Barbara Peak is planning a golf outing.

**Date:** Saturday August 11

**Time:** Early afternoon

**Location:** Sun Valley

**Format:** Blind Draw

**Open To:** KBOA members, family and friends.

More details to come.

