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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S NOTEPAD

Alan Mallanda

Welcome back everyone, to a new and exciting school year.
We have a lot of great things planned for you this year!

CONFERENCE CHANGES PLANNED: We have planned an exciting new format for our upcoming state conference in March, 2009. Based on all of the feedback from attendees and exhibitors, we hope to address the concerns and problems that were raised. Most of the changes are very subtle, as they have been in the past years, in hopes of continuing to improve and refine what has become one of the finest state AD conferences in the country. The major changes will be in the format for Wednesday evening, but more importantly, addressing the concerns of our exhibitors, who, quite frankly, are our main financial support. Without them, we couldn't put on the first class show that we have, year in and year out. So, here is a bulleted summary of the changes we've planned :

Wednesday, after our buffet dinner, we will open with our first General Session. This year, Mike Blackburn, Assistant Director of NIAAA in Indianapolis, IN will give us a welcome message. He will be followed by a nationally renowned corporate presenter/entertainer, Tom DeLuca, a comedic hypnotist. This is a show you will not want to miss! He has come to us with high recommendations from many sources, including the Virginia AD's association, as well as having appeared on numerous TV shows, including Oprah Winfrey, The Tonight Show with Jay Leno and others. Immediately following the show at 7:30 pm, we will open the Exhibit Hall for the first time ever on Wednesday night.

For the first time ever, the Exhibit Hall will be open for two hours on Wednesday evening (7:30 pm to 9:30 pm). The Exhibitors will only be there Wednesday night and all day Thursday this year. The "Exhibit Hall Festival" on Wednesday will give our exhibitors two hours of uninterrupted time for socializing as well as presenting their products and services. The first hour will be an "open bar" with refreshments (beer, wine and soda) along with snacks. The second hour will be a "cash bar" with the same. During the two hours, we will have three stations open to serve you. We are planning to have wide screen TV's placed in strategic locations with sporting events being televised. We will have a very special gift only for attendees that evening who go into the exhibit hall and visit with exhibitors. Also, there will be various drawings for prizes and other special events planned. This is a night that you won't want to miss!!

To accommodate our new format, the buffet dinner has been moved up in time and will begin promptly at 5:30 pm (so don't be late) as it will be over by 6:30 pm and the "show" will begin promptly. Immediately following the show at 7:30 pm, the "Exhibit Hall Festival" will begin. So, get in early on Wednesday so that you don't miss any of the action. On Thursday, the exhibit hall will be open from 8 am to 5 pm only, and the exhibitors will vacate on the end of the day (Thursday).

A fourth General Session has been added to the schedule to accommodate another major speaker. In doing so, we've reduced the number of workshop sessions to five with four workshops planned (see schedule) for each of five sessions (a total of 20 different topics to choose from). General Sessions will feature Mike Blackburn from the NIAAA Office in Indianapolis, IN; Tim Flannery, NIAAA Past President and Assistant Director of the National Federation in Indianapolis, IN; Dr. Noel Gentner, Sports Psychologist from Cornell University in Ithaca, NY; and Nina Van Erk, Executive Director of our own state association in Latham, NY.

Pre-conference activities will include six Leadership Training Courses on Wednesday morning and afternoon. In addition to the basic 501, 502 and 504 courses, we are offering three new courses for the first time (see schedule). Also on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday all day, the "Triple A Shoppe" will be open again for you to purchase logo clothing and other items. The Committee and Chapter Representative Breakfast will again be held Thursday morning, but the Representative Board meeting has been moved to Thursday afternoon. We no longer will have the exhibit hall reception on Thursday afternoon as the opening "Exhibit Hall Festival" on Wednesday night will replace that event. Also, Thursday evening will still remain open for dinner in area restaurants around Saratoga, along with Chapter hospitality gatherings.

Leadership Training Program and Conference Registration Forms are included in this newsletter and on our website (www.nysaaa.org). It is strongly recommended that you get your hotel reservations in early, as from past experience, the hotel will be sold out by early January! Hotel reservation forms can be downloaded from our website. After then, all reservations will roll over to the Marriott Courtyard. Also, we are negotiating some rates for the newest hotel (only one block from the Hilton), the Saratoga Hampton Inn, which opened recently and is absolutely beautiful. For the first 325 conference pre-registrants only, we have a special gift which you will receive at the registration desk when you check in. Don't miss out – get your pre-registration in early.

Overall, there is excitement in the air with the changes we've made in the conference format. We hope that all will agree. In addition, we will have an increased number of quality gifts planned for all registrants throughout the conference, beginning with registration, at the "Exhibit Hall Festival", at the Annual Meeting and through the end of the conference. Don't miss any of it!!

Alan Mallanda, CMAA



Future NFHS/NIAAA Conference

Dates/Sites:

- 2008 – San Diego, CA (Dec. 13-16)
- 2009 – Dallas, TX (Dec. 12-15)
- 2010 – Orlando, FL (Dec. 11-14)
- 2011 – Indianapolis, IN (Dec. 9-13)
- 2012 – San Antonio, TX (Dec. 14-18)

Summer Institute:

The 6th Annual Athletic Administrator Leadership Training Summer Institute dates for next year have been moved earlier to the last week in June (June 28-July 1, 2009) at Brewster, MA (Cape Cod). Over these past 5 years, New York attendees have been in a majority at this quality program. The Ocean Edge Resort is a world class resort that normally gets \$450 + per night for condominium units during the summer months, but due to the earlier dates, the rates (for Condo units) are being kept extremely reasonable (\$180/night) for this time of year on the Cape. This professional development experience has become an event for the entire family to enjoy. Get more information, schedule of courses and registration forms at www.section1.niaaa.org All Leadership Training Courses are sanctioned through the NIAAA.



NIAAA Assistant Director Will Attend NYSAAA Conference:

Michael Blackburn, Assistant Director of the NIAAA, will be in attendance at the NYSAAA Conference in March, 2009 and will address the opening night general session attendees. The NYSAAA is honored to have Mike spend several

days visiting with us. We thank Bruce Whitehead, Mike Blackburn and the entire NIAAA staff for its continued support and partnership with the NYSAAA.

The NCAA Eligibility Center is the new clearinghouse for high school students who are prospective participants in NCAA Division I or II intercollegiate athletics. The staff of the Eligibility Center has worked diligently to educate interscholastic administrators regarding changes and updates respective to student athletes. Athletic administrators are encouraged to direct students to: www.ncaastudent.org for further information. Athletic administrators are encouraged to visit the NCAA website.

The NIAAA Athletic Field Renovation Program

recently took on a project in Meyerstown, Pennsylvania. On September 10 and 11, 2008, members of the NIAAA Sports Turf Committee and ELCO School District personnel converged on Eastern Lebanon County High School. Over this two day period the softball field received a makeover that included aeration, fertilization, seeding, weed control and topdressing. The infield was refurbished through the addition of soil conditioner, rebuilding both the mound and home plate areas, as well as reinstalling the base mounting units. Minor improvements were made to the dugout area, bullpen area, gate maintenance and drainage behind home plate. Further information on the NIAAA Field Renovation Program can be obtained by logging on: www.niaaa.org and clicking on Sports Turf.

Online Member Services/Membership Renewal Now Available Through NIAAA Website:

NIAAA has recently launched an interactive “Member Services” section on their website. This new section features the ability to manage your individual account, including profile, history and resume. It also provides a “classified” area for posting jobs, open dates and for sale items. Software tools are also provided for searching resumes and a members directory. On the NIAAA website, click on Member Services, then activate the “Members Only Online Account and Log-in.”

IAA Magazine is now circulated to over 24,000 individuals across the country. As a NYSAAA Member you should be receiving your copy of IAA four times per year. If you are not getting this “cutting edge” publication, please call the NIAAA office (317-587-1450)



NYSAAA President's Message



By Wayne
Bertrand, CAA

Last week, I had a pre-season organizational meeting with my wrestling coach. After that meeting, I had to ask myself; winter season already? Where has the time gone! At first glance it didn't seem that long ago when I made my acceptance speech in

March. However it has been some time, so I guess it would be a good idea to let you know what has transpired since that time.

From the moment Bill Bryant handed the gavel over to me, it has been very demanding, but one of the most exciting and professionally rewarding periods of time in my career. In addition to the anticipated planning for the Conference I had the opportunity to attend two meetings that were a great experience for me. In May, I had the pleasure of representing the organization at the NIAAA Section 1 Meeting in Connecticut. Then in August, I attended the NYSPHSAA Summer Central Committee Meeting in Rye Brook. Those events caused me to reflect on my role as the President, and my membership in NYSAAA

I guess what has become apparent to me the most, is the professionalism and vast amount expertise that we have within the membership of this organization. To observe the deference that Alan, Denny and Dave have within Section 1 and the NIAAA as a whole is certainly impressive. In August, I was privileged to witness three prominent members of our organization who were recognized at the NYSPHSAA Annual Meeting. Dr John Foley was inducted into the NYSPHSAA Hall of Fame and our Past President, Pat Pizzarelli, assumed the office of President of the Association. Lastly, Todd Nelson was introduced to the group as the new Associate Director of the state association. I really don't believe too many organizations across the country can match ours for the prominence we have in terms of leadership in interscholastic athletics.

While on the subject of exciting things, the planning for the 2009 Conference - "Good to Great" is moving along at a steady pace. My conference planning team led by Bruce Potter and Chris Culnan are working very hard to put together a quality program for you. It has been our goal, to provide for one and all, a rich learning experience that is meaningful.

Listening to the evaluations that were received, we have made some subtle changes to energize this year's event for everyone. On Wednesday night after the buffet dinner, Mike Blackburn, NIAAA Assistant Director (Indianapolis, IN) will welcome us in the opening general session. We will then be entertained by the nationally renowned corporate presenter and comedic hypnotist, Tom Deluca. Members of the Virginia Athletic Association promised us, we will thoroughly enjoy this presentation and have a few good laughs along the way. Immediately following, we invite everyone to attend the new addition to the conference program, "*The Exhibit Hall Festival*" in the City Center. It will be a wonderful time (two hours) to relax and catch up with some friends, as well as the exhibitors, along with refreshments, snacks and a variety of fun and prizes. In addition to that we have added another general session. I am pleased to announce that Tim Flannery NIAAA Past President and current Assistant Director NFHS, Indianapolis, IN, will present on the NFHS Coaches Education Program. Our final two general sessions will be a presentation on the "Psychology of Dealing with Modern Day Athletes" by Dr. Noel Gentner, Ithaca College, and lastly, our annual and popular NYSPHSAA Update (with questions/answers) by Executive Director, Nina Van Erk. We are excited about these events and hope it will be a positive change to the Conference

In closing I tried to hit on some of the highlights of the 2009 Conference "Good to Great". It is my hope that the conference will be a chance for everyone to experience quality professional development and camaraderie with other athletic administrators from our great state.

I look forward see everyone soon. Have a great school year.

Wayne Bertrand, CAA

NYSAAA 2009 Tentative Conference Highlights

Wednesday – March 18, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	LTC 501 - Athletic Administration – Philosophy, Leadership and Professional Programs
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	LTC 504 – Legal Issues I (Risk Management)
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	LTC 703 – Citizenship Through Sports and Fine Arts
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	NYS Council of Administrators Meeting (Tentative)
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	LTC 502 - Athletic Administration – Principles, Strategies and Methods
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	LTC 508 – Legal Issues III (Hazing)
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	LTC 709 – Communication, Leadership and Decision-Making Concepts
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Conference Registration & Triple A Shoppe (Gallery)
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Buffet Dinner Reception
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	<u>OPENING GENERAL SESSION</u> - Conference Welcome Keynote Speaker – Mike Blackburn, Assistant Director, NIAAA, Indianapolis, IN Keynote Entertainer – Tom DeLuca, Comedic Hypnotist – “The Art of Suggestion”
7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	<u>EXHIBIT HALL FESTIVAL</u> - Opening Hospitality Reception - Snacks/Refreshments Visit Exhibitors - Drawings, Door Prizes, Special Events

Thursday – March 19, 2009

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	State Committee, Chapter Representatives & Retired Directors Breakfast Meetings
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open (Last Day – Will not be open on Friday)
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	New Athletic Directors/ <u>First Time Attendees’ Conference Orientation</u>
8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Conference Registration (Gallery)
8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Triple A Shoppe – Logo Clothing & Supplies (Gallery) – (Last Day/Not Open on Friday)
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Larry “Sparky” Rector Materials & Drop-In Center
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	“WORKSHOP SESSION A” see page 10
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Visit the Exhibitors – Drawing #1 – 10:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	“WORKSHOP SESSION B” see page 10
11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Dave Martens Conference Awards Luncheon
1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Visit the Exhibitors – Drawing #2 – 1:45 p.m.
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<u>SECOND GENERAL SESSION</u> – Keynote Speaker - Tim Flannery, NIAAA Past-President, Assistant Director, NFHS, Indianapolis, IN – NFHS Coaching Education Program
3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Visit the Exhibitors – <u>Closing Session</u> - Drawing #3 – 4:30 p.m.
3:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	NYSAAA Representative Board Meeting
3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Eastern States Deaf Association Annual Meeting (Tentative)
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Section Secretaries and Treasurers Meeting of NYSPHSAA
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	NYSPHSAA Sportsmanship Committee (by invitation)
6:00 p.m. -	Dinner on your own – Saratoga Area Restaurants

Friday – March 20, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	CAA EXAM
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Spouse Activities & Lunch (Gideon Putnam Hotel)
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Larry “Sparky” Rector Materials & Drop-In Center
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	<u>THIRD GENERAL SESSION</u> – Dr. Noel Gentner, Sports Psychologist - Professor, Ithaca College – “The Psychology of Dealing With Modern Day Athletes”
9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	“WORKSHOP SESSION C” see page 10
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	BREAK
10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	“WORKSHOP SESSION D” see page 10
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Past Presidents Luncheon
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Leadership Luncheon (by invitation)
1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	“WORKSHOP SESSION E” see page 10
2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	<u>FOURTH GENERAL SESSION</u> – Keynote Speaker – Nina Van Erk, Executive Director <i>NYSPHSAA Update</i>
3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Ice Cream Social
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	NYSAAA Annual Meeting – Gift/Conference Door Prize
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	President’s Reception (by invitation only)
7:00 p.m.	Roy O’Neill Conference Awards Banquet

Saturday – March 21, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Breakfast Buffet/Chapter Door Prizes/50-50 Raffle (You must be present to win.)
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CHAPTER NEWS

REPORTS FROM CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES Sunday, September 21, 2008 – Saratoga Hilton Submitted by Roger Brown, CMAA, Secretary

General

Dennis Fries provided information on behalf of Dave Martens, NIAAA Liaison. He distributed a sample application form and discussed a timeline for the NIAAA Student-Athlete Scholar Essay Application process. The application form can be downloaded from the NYSAAA website. Please do not use the form on the NIAAA website due to the difference in dates for submission. Chapter Representatives must be in receipt of applications from Athletic Directors in their chapter by December 5, 2008. The Chapter Representative must submit one male application and one female application to Dave Martens by January 9, 2009. A selection committee will determine one male candidate and one female candidate who will be presented to the Executive Committee at the January meeting.

Dennis Fries also discussed the National Emergency Network and the importance for each Chapter Representative to have a telephone number for each Athletic Director in his/her chapter just in case an emergency should arise.

Dennis Fries announced that New York has the highest number of members in the NIAAA. Dennis Fries mentioned that the NYSAAA continues to work with the NYSPHSAA to present concussion management workshops throughout the state. Dennis encouraged chapter representatives to distribute ImPact order forms to fellow athletic administrators. Response to the program has been positive as coaches and parents have become more aware of the seriousness related to student-athletes who suffer concussions.

Dennis Fries announced the dates for the 5th Annual Section I Summer Institute at the Ocean's Edge Resort in Brewster, MA from June 28-July 1. Please note the earlier dates for the Summer Institute. Registration forms are available on the NYSAAA website.

Alan Mallanda discussed highlights for the upcoming state conference and encouraged everyone to visit and support the vendors while at the conference. He asked for help seeking corporate sponsors for the NYSAAA.

Chapter Representatives were asked to encourage fellow athletic directors to provide handouts for the Sparky Rector Drop-In Center at the March conference.

The next meeting for Chapter Representatives will be at the state conference on March 19, 2009.

Chapter 1 (Rich Beckley: John Jay High School in Katonah)

The fall chapter meeting was held on September 19 in conjunction with the mandatory NYSPHSAA session on sportsmanship, eligibility, and information for new ADs. 88 Athletic Directors were in attendance. Presentations were made by Nina Van Erk and Don McPherson.

There is great concern about the high cost of fuel and its potential effect on transportation for athletics.

The alignment of leagues has created another area of concern due largely to the increased cost for transportation. There is a proposal to align leagues based on geography first and enrollment second.

Cheerleading is treated the same as other sports. Two groups of cheerleading have been identified (ground-based and stunt-based). A minimum number of practice sessions are required prior to performing at contests. Criteria to certify advisors of stunt-based cheerleading squads are being developed.

Chapter 2 (Scott Stuart: Queensbury High School)

The mandated NYSPHSAA workshop was held on September 17.

The first meeting of the Athletic Council will be October 1. New officers will be selected due to the retirement of Jack Whalen.

A new contract for officials is being negotiated.

A new yellow card policy for boy's soccer was defeated. The proposal stated that if a player received 3 yellow cards he must sit out the next game. The second part of the proposal stated that if a team accumulated 20 yellow cards during the season, the team would not be allowed to participate in the end of season Section II tournament.

The classification of private/parochial schools continues to be an issue.

Financial issues concerning intersectional contests have been discussed. Section II currently pays expenses for individuals and teams that qualify for state tournament competition. Section II is looking at ways to increase revenue and control spending.

There are concerns with increased transportation costs and trying to determine areas to cut spending.

With many new Athletic Directors there has been significant action to increase membership and participation in Chapter 2 of the NYSAAA.

Chapter 3 (Bill Brown: Jamesville-DeWitt High School)

The mandated NYSPHSAA workshop will be held September 25.

A meeting discussing sports injuries was held recently. Much of the discussion focused on the differences between male and female injuries and ways to help prevent certain injuries.

Section III has hired a full-time Executive Director, John Rathbun, who will be taking over for Paul Harrison as only the 4th Executive Director in its 60 year history. There is also a half-time Associate Director.

There are differences regarding corporate sponsorship for boy's and girl's basketball. They are investigating ways to create more equal opportunities.

There will be a shortage for winter track facilities in Section III due to plans at Syracuse University to lay down artificial turf inside Manley Field House. This turf project will take place during the next couple of years and will leave the section without a site for winter track.

Increased transportation costs are creating financial difficulties. One of the solutions being discussed would be to play only neighboring schools, however, this may not result in a positive competitive situation.

Chapter 4 (John Goodson: Johnson City High School)

The mandated NYSPHSAA mandated workshop was held on September 10. Jeff Manwaring and Jamie Harter presented information on sportsmanship.

There was discussion about the sport offerings by season and ways to equalize the number of sports, especially related to fall sports for girls.

The Section IV football committee is seeking ways to establish consistency in rules for modified football. Currently, each league follows a different set of rules.

The fall chapter meeting will be held on October 22 at Owego Free Academy.

Presentations will include "Expectations of Playing Time", "Concussion Management", and "The NCAA Office of Compliance".



Chapter 5 (Peter Shambo, CAA: Penfield Central School)

The mandated NYSPHSAA workshop was held on August 26 with over 100 Athletic Directors in attendance.

The fall Chapter 5 Professional Development Day will be held on October 16. Topics will include "Random Drug Testing in Interscholastic Athletic Programs", "A Weight Training Program for Males and Females", "MRSA: What do you really need to know and do?", "Effective Evaluations of Coaches", "The Next Step – Turning Physical Education Assessments into a Grade", and "How to Run Effective Coaches' Meetings". Chapter 5 has developed a website to serve as a resource for athletic administrators. The website is www.nysaaa.org/chapter5.

There are concerns with student-athletes who transfer to and from private/parochial schools within Section V.

There is much discussion about sport season offerings, specifically with the possibility of moving girl's swimming from the fall to the winter. This would create challenges with the scheduling and use of facilities.

Financial concerns dealing with the cost of transportation and the cost of officials are causing hardships.

Chapter 6 (Brett Banker: Kenmore-Tonawanda Schools)

Steps are being taken to create a full-time Executive Director position in Section VI.

There is interest in developing a budget for Chapter 6 and ideas are being investigated with regard to raising funds to establish a treasury.

The mandated NYSPHSAA workshop was held on August 25.

Chapter 7 (Cathy Phillips: Peru Central School)

The NYSPHSAA mandated workshop was held on September 12 at the Lake Placid Olympic Training Center.

Karen Lopez has been appointed as the new Executive Director for Section VII.

Chapter 8 (Denise Kiernan: Oceanside Union Free School District)

The fall chapter meeting was held on September 10.

The mandated NYSPHSAA workshop was held on September 23.

Section VIII is looking to adopt a "Heat Alert" policy similar to a policy in Chapter XI. If adopted, the policy (no practices allowed between the hours of 11:00 am and 3:00 pm) would be effective for pre-season practices for the fall sports.

There are concerns with the possibility of a new rule that would require girls to wear helmets in lacrosse.

There are concerns with the possibility of revising the qualifications for competing in the state wrestling tournament.

Chapter 9 (Bob Siracuse, CAA: Goshen Central School)

The mandated NYSPHSAA workshop was held on September 18 at Wallkill High School.

A discussion and vote will take place on October 21 by both leagues regarding whether or not students who are selectively classified should be included as part of the transfer rule.

Total Webcasting, Inc. has made a proposal to Section IX regarding the webcasting of

selected boy's and girl's championship events. The issue of exclusive rights and the availability of technical support were discussed by the Athletic Council and will require discussion by all sports chairpersons.

Following league discussion, a possible revision with the issue of yellow cards in soccer does not have support. It is felt that the current yellow card accumulation policy is working effectively.

Both leagues feel that there is no need to require an ambulance to be present at all Section IX championship sites. Section IX is following the NYSPHSAA Handbook recommendations and provides athletic trainers at championship sites.

Neither league supports a proposed heat index policy where contests could be postponed if the heat index is too high. The NYSPHSAA safety committee will be reviewing this policy and the section will continue discussion based on the findings of the committee.

It has been recommended that Section IX sports chairpersons add a procedure for weather delays or cancellations to their respective sport handbooks.

Chapter 10 (Eileen Kilcullen, CAA: Franklin Academy)

A certification workshop for cheerleading advisors was held in August. Advisors of stunt-based squads must be certified.

The mandated NYSPHSAA workshop was held on September 11.

Consistency with regard to scheduling football contests in the section is in effect.

Modified games are played on Wednesdays, JV games on Thursdays, and Varsity games on Fridays and Saturdays.

Section X became the first to host a regional site for the Selection/Classification and Mixed Competition screening/testing program for 7th and 8th grade and other students.

The process was successful and will continue for the winter sports season.

Chapter 11 (Kevin O'Reilly, CAA: Brentwood High School)

There are 7 new Athletic Directors. A new AD workshop was held in August.

The mandated NYSPHSAA workshop was held on September 25.

Due to construction at Stony Brook, alternate sites for championship events are being sought.

A new five year contract with the Suffolk County Officials Association has been ratified. A student-athlete leadership workshop will be held on December 4.

CHSAA (Don Scarola: Chaminade High School)

A seminar discussing the use of steroids and performance enhancing drugs was attended by Athletic Directors, Principals, and varsity coaches on September 2.

State championships among Catholic schools are currently being contested for soccer, bowling, and golf. Regional championships in the lower division were held for lacrosse last year. It is hopeful that a Catholic state lacrosse championship will take place in the near future.

An ambulance service has been approved by the league to be present at the league cross country championships at Sunken Meadow State Park.

Investigations by school officials are ongoing regarding a recent brawl at a soccer match.

(TENTATIVE) CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS SCHEDULE

WORKSHOP A: Thursday 8:30-9:30 a.m.

- 1- "Dealing with the Entrenched Coach"
- 2- "The Relationship Between Coaches and Officials"
- 3- "Student Leadership"
- 4- "Risk Management"

WORKSHOP B: Thursday 10:30-11:30 a.m.

- 1- "NCAA Clearinghouse Regulations"
- 2- "Coaching Certifications"
- 3- "Video Analysis Software Utilization"
- 4- "Dealing With the Media"

WORKSHOP C: Friday 9:15-10:15 a.m.

- 1- "Retirement Planning" (NYSTRS)
- 2- "Replacing a Legend and Inheriting a Poor Program"
- 3- "Health Protocols"
- 4- "The Relationship with Booster Clubs"

WORKSHOP D: Friday 10:45-11:45 a.m.

- 1- "Office Management"
- 2- "Developing a Modified Sports Vision"
- 3- "Human Resource Responsibilities"
- 4- "NYSPHSAA Handbook Updates"

WORKSHOP E: Friday 1:30-2:30 p.m.

- 1- "A,B,C's of Selective Classification"
- 2- "Capital Projects for PE & Athletics"
- 3- "Women in Athletic Administration"

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October 2, 2008

To New York State Athletic Administrators:

Organized, non-school youth sports have become an important part of the fabric of life for millions of New York's children and families. Unlike NYSPHAA school sanctioned athletic programs, town, recreation and travel sports programs rely almost exclusively on volunteer coaches. As you know, the vast majority of these non-school youth coaches have little or no formal training. In fact, non-school youth sports programs are the only endeavor where millions of children are managed by unrelated adults who have *no minimum standards of conduct or knowledge*.

For most parents and their children, youth sport programs are responsible for the formative experience in sportsmanship, physical education and social relationships. All too often there is a hyper-importance placed on the outcome of youth sports. The experience may not be positive, safe or child-centered. Frequently this can harm entire communities.

Just as the benefits a positive youth sports program may accrue to a school sports programs, the same may be true of a negative youth sports programs. If not addressed in formative years a negative youth sports culture can make school coaching more challenging. To address the culture of youth sports in NY the State University of New York has developed a program to help parents, their children and the youth sports programs that regularly use municipal, private and school facilities.

As the sport leader in your school district, I am seeking your help to encourage non-school youth sports programs whose teams use your school's facilities to get their coaches trained to the comprehensive coaching standards developed by the SUNY Youth Sports Institute. I am willing to introduce the idea to your school superintendent or the school board. I can provide references and testimonials on the validity of our evidence-based training course and its approval by coaches and administrators now using it.

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Section 1: "By the Numbers" – This is a chart listing the number of participants, coaches, officials hired and bus trips. It is an eye-opener for readers who are not aware of the number of people an athletic department deals with.

Section 2: "The Numbers by Gender" – This chart compares male and female ratios for participants and coaching staff. It also tracks two- and three-sport athletes. We use this information at the state and federal levels as well.

Section 3-5: "Celebrations, Significant Accomplishments and Senior Honors" – We compile championships and individual accomplishments in one location for everyone to see. Even in the lean years we can find things to be celebrated. We try to spread the senior athlete honors around, with the highest being female and male athletes of the year nominated by coaches and selected by teaching staff. There are usually six to eight seniors who receive a scholar-athlete award or recognition.

Section 6: "Grade-Point Average Study" – This takes some work, but figuring the GPAs by team gives credibility to the belief that the majority of student-athletes are excelling in academics with a demanding schedule. It is a great way to honor teams and coaches. The data is then accessible for individual academic all-state reports.

Section 7: "Participation Rates" – This is an eight-year chart showing the numbers of participants for each sport. These numbers are needed for annual reports and are taken from eligibility rosters. Again, it is information that helps the reader understand the importance of athletics in the school setting.

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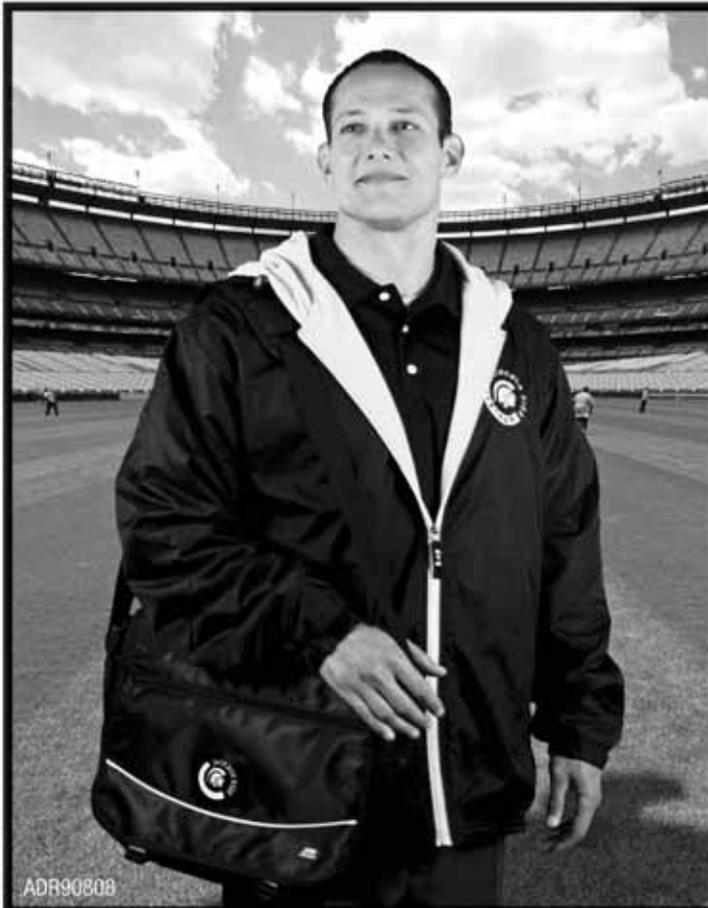
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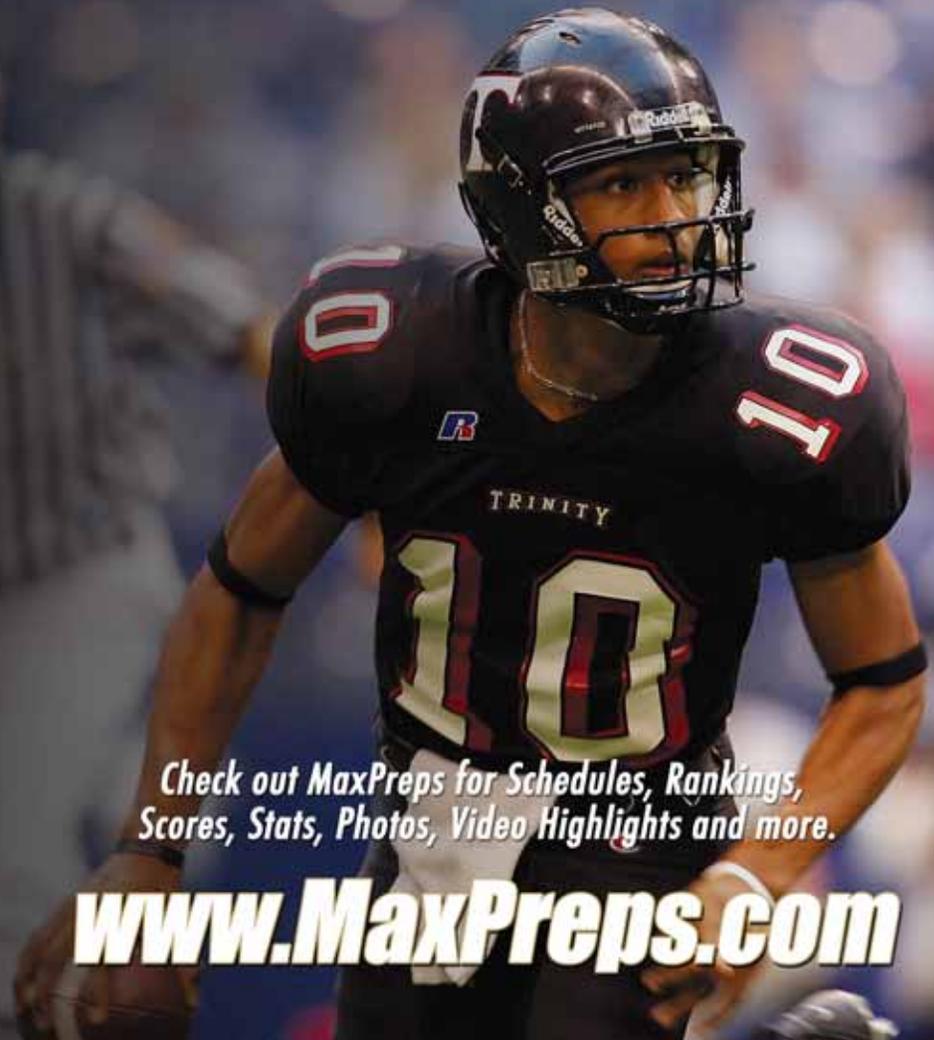
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