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# A New Perspective

By: Larry Boucher, Assistant Commissioner



At a Highway Department Conference in 1974, a friend mentioned that he had just registered to become a high school basketball official. I think it might have been at that very moment that the "bug" bit. Officiating was a way, as I am sure it has been to thousands of people over the years, for me to stay close to my love of sports. My father had been a coach (there was even a referee in my family!) and I grew up loving athletics. If you bounced it, hit it or threw it, I played it in high school. Never in my wildest dreams, however, did I realize that my decision in 1974 would one day lead to an Assistant Commissioner's position with the Kentucky High School Athletic Association.

I have felt for some time that Kentuckians have a very special love for their high school sports. I recently wrote an article about that "specialness" Kentuckians feel, particularly at our basketball "Sweet Sixteen". I compared it to a state-wide reunion. To stand at our seats and look around the crowd for friendly faces from other parts of the State that we have known from days gone by, *but now undoubtedly see once a year*, reminds me of the "special" place high school sports play in our lives. Being an employee of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association and being such an integral part of that makes me feel special.

One of the more enjoyable periods I spent in officiating was when I became a Supervisor of Officials in 1986. Working with many people who wanted to be their best and coordinating training programs that allowed them to pursue that goal was especially rewarding to me. We have a very large group of men and women who, while enduring sacrifices and inconveniences, find great satisfaction in a sense of service to others through officiating. To be in an avocation of honor, to stand for the role of integrity and impartiality in relationship to the youth we serve, is what makes it all worthwhile for many officials. I believe schools have entrusted officials to assist them in the educational development of their youth through athletics. I enjoyed working with each of the schools in my area to ensure they received the best officiating possible.

As Assistant Commissioner in charge of the Officials'

Division, I believe my most immediate efforts should be in the areas of training, development and recognition of our officials. I am totally convinced that there is a significant percentage of our registered officials who are willing to tackle the hard work it takes to be the best. I am also convinced they are willing to avail themselves to clinics, workshops, skull sessions and other training opportunities that must be developed for them. Standing still in officiating is an illusion. Learning is an ongoing process and if one is not growing and advancing through training and development then he/she is moving backward.

I also want to more formally recognize the men and women who have contributed significantly to our high school athletic programs through officiating. An annual awards banquet, an officials' newsletter, career certificates, championship lapel pins or rings and other rewards are just a few of the things that can make officiating more rewarding. We have a long way to go in organizing and developing many of these goals...they may take months or even years to implement. However, once we do Kentucky will set the standard for the positive relationship between high school sports programs and its officiating corps.

Obviously, I owe a great deal to Commissioner Billy Wise who felt there was a need to organize the policies regarding officiating into one division with the Kentucky High School Athletic Association.....and who gave me the opportunity to lead that effort. My efforts will be more easily realized if all of our officials understand that I truly believe that once we put on that uniform our status as a person undergoes an irrevocable change. Every member of the officiating profession carries a responsibility to act in a manner becoming a professional person. We must always remember that the conduct of any official influences the attitude of the public toward our profession in general. It will take hard work but our children and our sports programs deserve no less. I hope that working together we can someday say we made a difference.

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*"Marshall County's Missy Lee reaches in to try to take the ball from Henry Clay's Demetria Bright." (Osborn Photo)*

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# He Coaches City Kids To Meet Life's Challenges

High school presents many challenges for teenagers. For inner city kids from rough neighborhoods, the biggest challenge isn't always in the classroom or on the athletic field, but in their every day lives. That's why a role model like Jeff Bieder is so important.

Bieder is head basketball coach and Dean of freshmen students at Long Island City High School in the New York City borough of Queens. He grew up in a Brooklyn housing project and knows from personal experience

about students' daily struggles to overcome the perils of the street. Bieder's outstanding 221-46 record in basketball hardly compares to the mark he's left on the lives of hundreds of inner city kids.

"Coach Bieder was always on my case about getting an education," said Cedric Holder, senior captain of the basketball team. "My grades weren't that good, so coach Bieder asked me to spend more time studying after school. There's a lot of killing going on

## COACHES *Care*

where I'm living, so I stay inside now and study."

"I had a lot of difficulties in school," admitted sophomore guard Tyree Gibson. "After talking with Mr. Bieder, I realized that I have a lot of talent in basketball, but I have a lot of potential in school, too."

"Jeff Bieder is an excellent coach," said LICHS Principal Frank Nappi. "But he goes beyond that. In the past few years alone he's converted at least a half dozen 'at-risk' students—potential drop-outs. He instills motivation in them, talks to them about academic achievements, even visits their homes. What he does with the kids is truly amazing."

Even after 24 years of coaching, Bieder still relishes the challenge of helping inner city teenagers become good students with a purpose, a plan and dream.

"It's a good feeling to see kids turn things around and make something out of their lives," Bieder explained. "Temptations are all around, so you have to be more than a coach. You have to be a guidance counselor and father figure, and show that you care."

Jeff Bieder is a two-time "Coach of the Year" in New York City. But for hundreds of inner city high school students in Queens, he's a coach of a lifetime.



For 24 years, Coach Jeff Bieder has been helping inner city teens avoid the perils of the street and stay in school. His players this year include (from left) Harold Wright, Cedric Holder, Louis Chatfield and Tyree Gibson.

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# First Hoops Game Played Over 100 Years Ago

*"The Kentucky High School Athletic Association is proud to be a participant in the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the game of basketball. A season like this comes along only once. The Basketball Centennial is a salute to the spirit and tradition unique to the game of basketball."*



The first game of basketball was played over 100 years ago last month - on December 21, 1891.

The game was played in Springfield, Mass., at a school that is now known as Springfield College.

Dr. James Naismith invented the game as an indoor activity to meet the physical needs of young men who could not participate in game-like outdoor activities during the winter months.

The game was not "invented" by "accident," Naismith wrote in a 1939 magazine article. "It was developed to meet a need."

Excerpts from Naismith's magazine article were quoted and edited by the Associated Press in an article which appeared in many newspapers throughout the country on January 6, 1991. Some of that article follows:

"No problems arose so long as we could get out of doors for exercise, but when the winter came, my worries began," Naismith said of his first year of teaching. "Those boys simply would not play drop the handkerchief!"

"Dr. Luther Gulick, head of the school, put the problem squarely up to me, and kept bringing the matter up in faculty meetings, until I realized I really had to do something about it," Naismith recalled.

"Dr. Gulick had reminded me on one occasion that there is nothing new under the sun - what appears new is just a combination of older things. So I began to recall my boyhood games and to study the problem in that light."

His thoughts first turned to football. He was, after all, the 150-pound center on the college's first football team, started by another grad student, Amos Alonzo Stagg. If the new game hadn't caught on, Naismith, who stuck a cutup rugby ball and ear muffs on his head to play, might be remembered as one of the inventors of the football helmet.

Although his class liked the rough-and-tumble of football, Naismith conceded that tackling a man running with a ball "would be too dangerous on a gymnasium floor," and "determined the ball must be thrown."

"But a small ball might be hurled with dangerous force," he reasoned, with his boisterous students in mind, "so I used a larger ball, choosing a soccer ball since one was at hand."

"I recalled also from my boyhood in Canada that when we played the game called duck on a rock, a hurled ball might send the duck farther, but the tossed ball was more accurate," so he ruled that the ball "must be tossed at the goal."

"The Canadian game of lacrosse suggested the positions. . . home, right forward, left forward, center, right center, left center, goal, right back, left back," he wrote. Originally, Naismith devised his game with nine players on a side to accommodate his 18-man class.

If the goal was on the floor it would be easy to guard, so he opted for a 'box above the floor.'

That is where James W. Stebbins got his chance to become a footnote to sports history. The janitor couldn't find any when the scholar demanded two boxes each 18 inches square, so he dragged a couple of peach baskets over to the gym.



# KHSAA TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE MEETING



The Kentucky High School Athletic Association Track and Field Committee met at the Association Office in Lexington on Tuesday, December 10, 1991. The meeting was called to order by Brigid L. DeVries, Assistant Commissioner at 1:30 P.M.

Members present were: Bro. Borgia, Charlie Ruter, Alice Leigh, Augie Schiller, John Gettler, Gordon Bocock, Dave Shufelt, Barry Binkley, Bob Stacey, Jack Keller, Tim Estes, Frank Miklavcic and Jean Wright. Members absent were Jeff Saylor, Bill Patton and Tony Rowe.

Charlie Ruter reported on the Mason Dixon Games to be held on February 28 & 29, 1992, at Broadbent Arena, which is adjacent to Freedom Hall. The Mason Dixon Committee is coordinating efforts with the KTCCCA to help secure officials for the high school division. The high school division will be open to Kentucky athletes only. Gordon Bocock and Frank Miklavcic will be the contact people for the games.

The Kentucky Association of the Athletics Congress is sponsoring a TAC Officials Clinic on Sunday, January 12, 1992, at the downtown YMCA at Second and Chestnut in Louisville. For more information on the clinic, contact Charlie Ruter at 502-239-5258.

Jean Wright gave a report on the 1991 Blue Grass State games. The participation was good, and one of the goals for 1992 will be to get Track entries from the Kentucky counties where there was no representation. The dates for the 1992 games are July 24-26, 1992.

Larry Wingfeld gave a brief report on the upcoming KTCCCA Clinic to be held on January 24-25, 1992 at the Holiday Inn on Newtown Pike in Lexington. Anyone interested in attending the clinic should contact Larry at Shelby County High School.

The next item on the Agenda was a discussion of the Regional and Sectional Track Meets and sites. Committee members discussed and made recommendations regarding Regional and Sectional sites. Ms. DeVries will begin to solicit sites for both the 1992 Regional and Sectional Meets. The dates for the 1992 Meets are as follows:

- Regional Meets:** May 15 & 16, 1992
- Sectional Meets:** May 23, 1992
- State Meet:** May 30, 1992

The State Meet Order of Events was discussed with the addition of the 3200 M Relay to the program. It was recommended that under the current format the 3200 M Relay be first in the order of guests, followed by the 3200 M Runs. This order will be evaluated following the 1992 season. The other item on the recent Track survey was the Girls Triple Jump, which did not pass.

Gordon Bocock and Frank Miklavcic had several recommendations regarding the state Meet. One of the items would be scheduling 3 separate State Meets, Class A, AA & AAA, instead of the Meet order as it is. Frank Miklavcic also recommended that the K.H.S.A.A. look into sanctioning indoor Track. It was also recommended that the regulation requiring athletes to finish the races they are entered in, be deleted. Following a discussion on these and other items it was recommended that Frank

Miklavcic and Gordon Bocock do a presentation at the January meeting of the Board of Control. It was suggested that the current four meet participation forms be revised. Dave Shufelt and Gordon Bocock will work on a new form to be used in Track & Field. Several revisions were made on the State information sheets and entry forms.

Ms. DeVries brought up a request from one of the member schools regarding state meet records. It was decided that records should reflect the actual distances that the athletes competed in. Two meet records will be changed and they are the 800 M Run and the 1600 M Run.

The Track committee still has recruitment of new Track & Field officials as one of its goals.

There was a brief discussion regarding the National Federation Rule Changes. The discus cage is not mandatory until 1993.

Miscellaneous items included a recommendation by Gordon Bocock that the classifications for A, AA & AAA be reviewed. There may need to be some changes especially in the AAA Classification due to the decline in enrollment and new school construction.

"Moye" starting blocks will be available at the State Meet this year in addition to the regular blocks provided. The "Moye" block is a legal block, and there will be eight of these provided, so schools can choose the traditional or the "Moye" block. Jack Keller will coordinate the "Moye" blocks.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

## Following are the 1991-92 Track & Field Clinic dates and locations.

Tuesday	December 3, 1991	Paducah Tilghman H.S.	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 4, 1991	Owensboro, Daviess Co. H.S.	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 11, 1991	Louisville, St. Xavier H.S.	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	January 25, 1992	Lexington, Holiday Inn North Newtown Pike (with KTCCCA Clinic)	11:30 a.m.
Monday	March 30, 1992	Ashland, Russell H.S.	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	March 31, 1992	Lexington, KHSAA Office	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	April 1, 1992	Covington, Covington Catholic H.S.	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	April 2, 1992	London, Laurel County H.S.	7:00 p.m.

# Basketball District Tournament Rotations

	1992	1993	1994	1995
1	Fulton County	Hickman County	Fulton City	Carlisle County
2	Paducah Tilghman	Heath	Lone Oak	Reidland
3	Ballard Memorial	Graves County	St. Mary	Ballard Memorial
4	Marshall County	Mayfield	Murray	Calloway County
5	Crittenden County	Livingston Central	Lyon County	Trigg County
6	Webster County	Henderson County	Union County	Webster County
7	West Hopkins	Madisonville-North	West Hopkins	Madisonville-North
8	Hopkinsville	Christian County	Hopkinsville	Christian County
9	Owensboro	Daviess County	Apollo	Owensboro Catholic
10	Butler County	Muhlenberg North	Muhlenberg South	Butler County
11	Hancock County	Trinity (Whitesville)	Frederick Fraize	Breckinridge County
12	Grayson County	McLean County	Ohio County	Todd Central
13	Todd Central	Russellville	Logan County	WKU/Warren Central
14	WKU/Bowling Green	WKU/Franklin-County	WKU/Greenwood	Glasgow
15	Allen County	Barren County	Edmonson County	Clinton County
16	Monroe County	Cumberland County	Metcalfe County	C. Hardin/E-town
17	C. Hardin/Meade Co.	E-town/N. Hardin	N. Hardin/C. Hardin	Hart County
18	Green County	Larue County	Caverna	Nelson County
19	Bardstown	Washington County	Bethlehem	Marion County
20	Taylor County	Adair County	Campbellsville	Central (Port/Pres)
21	Shawnee	Valley (SW Christian)	Central	PRP
22	Western	Butler	Holy Cross	Doss
23	Fairdale	Valley	Valley (Beth Haven)	Male
24	DeSales	Iroquois	Southern	Atherton
25	Male	Manual	St. Xavier/Mercy	Jeffersontown
26	Trinity (CA)	Seneca	Trinity	Eastern
27	Jeffersontown	Moore	Fern Creek	North Bullitt
28	Eastern	Waggener	Ballard	Henry County
29	Spencer County	Bullitt East	Bullitt Central	Trimble County
30	Henry County	Shelby County	Anderson County	Grant Co/Scott Co
31	Gallatin County	Oldham County	South Oldham	St. Henry
32	Williamstown/Owen Co	Scott Co/Grant Co	Owen Co/Williamstown	Holy Cross (Cov)
33	Boone County	Conner	Lloyd Memorial	Newport
34	Ludlow	Beechwood	Cov. Latin/Villa	Scott
35	Holmes	Dayton	Newport Cent. Cath.	T.B.A.
36	Bishop Brossart	Campbell County	Highlands	Fleming County
37	Bourbon/Harrison	Harrison/Bourbon	T.B.A.	Montgomery County
38	Deming/Augusta	Bracken/Augusta	Pendleton/Augusta	Woodford County
39	Tollesboro (MC)	St. Patrick (MC)	Mason County	Lexington Christian
40	Bath County	Estill County	Clark County	Tates Creek
41	Franklin County	Frankfort	Western Hills	E.K.U. (Model)
42	Jessamine County	Lexington Catholic	Sayre	KY School ft Deaf
43	Henry Clay	Paul Dunbar	Lafayette	Garrard County
44	E.K.U. (Model)	E.K.U. (Model)	E.K.U. (Model)	#1 Seed
45	Lincoln County	Boyle County	Danville	Casey County
46	Garrard County	Harrodsburg	Mercer County	Rockcastle County
47	#1 Seed	#1 Seed	#1 Seed	Lynn Camp
48	Somerset	Laurel County	Pulaski County	Red Bird
49	Oneida Baptist	Clay County	Jackson County	Cumberland
50	Barbourville	Corbin	Knox Central	Flem. Neon/Jenkins
51	Bell County	Middlesboro	(Pineville)	Dilce Combs
52	Evarts	Harlan	Cawood	Riverside*BC
53	Letcher/Whitesburg	Jenkins/Flem Neon	Whitesburg/Letcher	Owsley County
54	M.C. Napier	Hazard	Buckhorn	Paintsville
55	Cordia*KCC	Jackson City*BC	Knott Central	Wheelwright
56	Powell County	Wolfe County	Lee County	Pikeville
57	Magoffin County	Sheldon Clark	Johnson Central	Belfry
58	McDowell	Betsy Layne	Prestonsburg	Morgan County
59	Shelby Valley	Millard	Mullins	Elliott County
60	Johns Creek	Feds Creek	Phelps	Fairview
61	Morgan County	Rowan County	Menifee County	Boyd County
62	Lewis County	East Carter	West Carter	
63	Greenup County	Raceland	Russell	
64	Lawrence County	Paul Blazer	Rose Hill	

# January 1992

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Washington Forum

# Education Tops U.S. Agenda

## Focus puts new programs in classrooms, streets



ly and for substantial amounts of time. I think this will make the drug trade less attractive.

Though the overhaul of America's education system will be an ongoing process for many years, I strongly believe that the agenda we've set, if followed, will be successful. We've learned the important relationship between the education our children receive, and the roles they will eventually play in society. If we are to have leaders of merit tomorrow it's essential to provide our children with the absolutely finest means of preparation today. Our education system must become more than a means of keeping children busy until they enter the work force; it must instill the desire to learn, and spark the intellectual fire that has made America what she is today.

Athletics can help in that process. The pursuit of sports provides our youth with an important opportunity for character development. When a child plays for a team, he or she learns to appreciate the rewards of hard work. He or she also has the chance to develop the skill of working with others toward a common goal, not to mention the alternative it provides to the lure of gangs. These are the skills that are fundamental to success in both academic careers and modern life.

I have confidence in our system of education, because I have confidence in its administrators, teachers, and most importantly, our children. With our agenda in place, I believe improvement is right around the corner.

create a new generation of schools. I've co-sponsored this program and believe wholeheartedly in its goals. Among its valuable provisions, America 2000 calls for a national testing program, world class standards in five core subjects, and new levels of leadership to increase accountability of the entire education process. The new leadership will consist not only of federal, state and local officials, but community and industry leaders as well.

In the streets, the efforts focus on anti-crime legislation. I amended a recent Senate crime bill to include tougher laws to help fight the war against gangs and the drug trade. The new legislation adds muscle to the laws covering the commission of a crime as a gang member, the use of a minor to commit a crime, and the production and distribution of drug paraphernalia. For years now, we've seen young kids watch their older friends lead well-paying criminal lives, and they eventually fall prey to the same temptations. This bill, if approved, would show these younger kids that a life of crime will put criminals in jail quick-

*The California Senator has been a long time ardent supporter of California schools and their extracurricular programs.*

By Senator John Seymour  
United States Senate

Over the last few months we have seen drastic changes in the world; and in the coming months America will shift her own priorities to reflect those changes. Of the many social issues at the top of the American agenda, is the country's education system.

During a recent visit to one of Los Angeles' public schools, I had the chance to discuss this topic with some very concerned members of the community. I was asked why the government was wasting so much of its time and money on East Los Angeles, especially since nothing ever seems to change, and even the police are afraid to walk the streets. While the question is valid, no one should question its cynicism, since it was asked by a fifth grade student.

It is politically fashionable today to talk about the decline of the American student, but I strongly deny this idea. Instead of blaming our children for their less than favorable showing in class, we should ask ourselves if we've done everything possible to give them a safe, positive learning atmosphere. When a child innocently asks a question so filled with despair, I have to say we have not.

To say we must do more is obvious, but to discuss the solutions that are now being tried is essential. The restoration of our education system is being enacted on two fronts: in the classrooms, and in the streets out front.

In the classrooms, President Bush has initiated the comprehensive America 2000 program. Its aim is to

# Association Appendix

## Job Openings

### Rowan County High School seeks Head Football Coach.

Interested parties should send letter of application with resume' and references to Marvin Moore, Rowan County High School, 100 Viking Drive, Morehead, Ky. 40351.

Application deadline -- January 15, 1992.

### South Oldham High School seeks Head Football Coach.

Send letter of application with resume' to Larry Phillips, Box 549, Crestwood, KY 40014.

### Boyle County High School seeks Head Football Coach.

Interested parties should send letter of application with resume' and references to Tom Mills, Boyle County High School, 1637 Perryville Road, Danville, KY 40422-9775.

## Back to School?

University of Kentucky's Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Department is offering new courses in Biomechanics of Sports, Football Coaching/Officiating and Physiology of Sport. The courses will be taught in Intercession and Summer School.

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## 1992 Football Open Dates

### August 28

- South Oldham Contact: Larry Phillips (502) 241-6035
- Wayne County Contact: Joe Shearer (606) 348-8710
- Cawood High Contact: Tim Saylor (606) 573-2424
- Fort Campbell Contact: Marshall Patterson (615) 431-5056
- Breathitt County Contact: Mike Holcomb (606) 666-8406
- Ben Davis High School, Indianapolis, Indiana  
Size: Compare to Kentucky 4A school  
Contact: Bob Britt, A.D. (317) 244-5852

### September 4

- M. C. Napier Contact: Bill Dixon (606) 439-1519

### September 11

- Rockcastle Co. Contact: Tom Larkey (606) 256-4411

### September 18

- Fleming County Contact: Wendell Johnson (606) 845-6601
- Breathitt County Contact: Mike Holcomb (606) 666-8406
- Rockcastle Co. Contact: Tom Larkey (606) 256-4411

### September 25

- Oak Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio  
Size: Compare to Kentucky 4A school  
Contact: Sonny Tudor, A.D. (513) 922-2300

### October 2

- Portsmouth, Portsmouth Ohio Contact: John Little
- South Oldham Contact: Larry Phillips (502) 241-6035

### October 9

- Franklin-Simpson Contact: Walt Heath (502) 586-3273
- Montgomery Co. Contact: Lowell King (606) 498-8768
- Fort Campbell Contact: Marshall Patterson(615) 431-5056
- Knott Co. Central Contact: Maurice Dixon (606) 785-3166

### October 16

- Knott Co. Central Contact: Maurice Dixon (606) 785-3166

### October 23

- Massac High School, Metropolis, Illinois  
Size: Compare to Kentucky A school  
Contact: Steve Woodward, A.D.
- Chaminade Julianne, Dayton, Ohio  
Size: Compare to Kentucky AA School  
Contact: Jim Place (513) 461-3740
- Elkhorn City Contact: Jerry Childers (606) 754-9098

### October 30

- Ironton High School, Ironton, Ohio  
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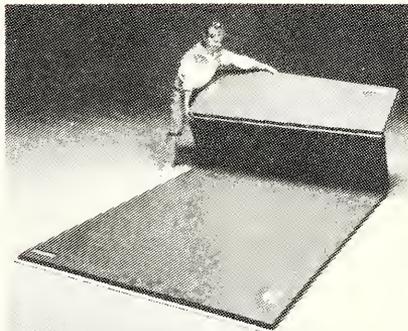
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