FROM THE COMMISSIONER’S DESK
Hello everyone. Here’s hoping you are enjoying the springtime weather.
The staff is busy with upcoming Association events such as the Licensed Officials Awards Banquet scheduled in the museum area of the KHSAA office building on Sunday, April 18th at 3:00p.m. The Forcht Group of Kentucky Sportsmanship Recognition Banquet will also be in the museum area and is scheduled on Sunday April 25th at 5:00p.m. The museum area of the building sets up beautifully for functions of this nature and we really look forward to having guests in our building.

I will be attending the NFHS Summit and Legal meeting scheduled in Indianapolis on April 15-16, along with George Fletcher and Julian Tackett. We have been invited to do a presentation on the role of each state association in minimizing risk in sports and activities. Our presentation will include our perspective on some do’s and don’ts in the case of potential litigation. Interscholastic sports and legal trends are the main focus of this important meeting, which includes a review of important court cases that can impact all of us in the education and sports business. It is an excellent meeting with All 50 states represented.

Spring sports championships are around the corner. I hope to see you out and about at one of these events!

NFHS STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
The deadline for nomination application and forms to attend the 2010 NFHS Student Leadership Conference is May 1. Six students (3 boys/3girls) will be selected to attend the conference free of charge, thanks to T-Mobile’s NFHS sponsorship of the event. This year’s Conference is July 15-18 in Indianapolis, IN. Over 300 students from over 30 states and Canada will be in attendance. Students selected will then return and assist in planning and staffing the KHSAA’s HYPE Student Leadership Conference in Lexington on Aug. 23

Below is a link to more information and the forms. http://www.khsaa.org/leadership/

Please make sure they arrive at the KHSAA no later than May 1. If you have any additional questions, please don’t hesitate to contact Butch Cope, bcope@khsaa.org.

COMMISSIONER BRIGID DEVRIES RETIREMENT ROAST & CELEBRATION
A retirement Roast & Celebration has been scheduled for Commissioner Brigid DeVries on May 22, 2010 at the Lexington Center. For an invitation and further information, contact Butch Cope at the Association office or bcope@khsaa.org.

DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME
Fourteen former high school coaches, athletes, officials and/or administrators make up the 23rd class to be inducted into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame. The induction of the 14 will bring the total number of individuals honored to 381. The class of 2010 will be inducted in ceremonies scheduled for Saturday, May 15, 2010 at the Lexington Center. For tickets, contact Butch Cope at the KHSAA.

The 2010 class is as follows: Simidele Adeagbo, Temitayo Adeagbo, Bill Brown, Tom Creamer, Brigid DeVries, Dr. Mary Lloyd Ireland, Arthur “Ozz” Jackson, Craynor Slone, Ivan McGlone, Samuel Moore, Gene Pendleton, Mel Purcell, Bob Schneider, Corky Withrow.

CHANGE IN STATE TRACK SCHEDULE
Due to the high number of schools cancelling classes for inclement weather, we surveyed the membership as to how the state championships schedule would impact schools. After surveying all Kentucky High Schools of their graduation plans, it is clear that holding the 2A championships on Friday the 4th of June would put an extremely high number of schools in conflict with their graduations.

With no schools having reported graduation ceremonies set for Thursday June 3rd, we have decided to move the 2A championships to Thursday the 3rd of June. Please be advised of the date change. This will not impact the date of 1A and 3A Championships which are scheduled for Saturday June 5th.

LEADERSHIP CLASS OFFERED
The Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion Sport Leadership Program is offering a course taught by Dr. Andrew Weiner on “Coaching and Leading Through Emotional Intelligence (KHP 781)”

The course will be offered Monday and Wednesday 6:30-9:00 p.m. June 14 – August 4, 2010 in Seaton Center Room 123. If you need further information, please contact Dr. Andrew Weiner at weiner@uky.edu.
ATHLETIC DIRECTORS CORNER

Registration packets for the 34th Annual AD Conference to be held April 20 – 23 have been mailed. If you are not a member of the KHSADA and/or did not receive a packet, contact Jim Watkins (adwatt1@insightbb.net).

Leadership Training Program courses being offered at this year’s state conference are:

- LTC714 – Dealing With Challenging Personalities
- LTC 619 – The Power of Curb Appeal
- LTC511 – Concepts and Strategies for Interscholastic Budgeting and Finance Using Excel Spreadsheets
- LTC501 – Philosophy, Leadership Organizations and Professional Programs
- LTC790 – Leadership Training Instructional Methods and Techniques

To register for one or more classes contact Faye Thornton (faye.thornton@pendleton.kyschools.us).

DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME GOLF CLASSIC

The Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Golf Classic is scheduled for Tuesday, June 29 at the Marriott Griffin Gate in Lexington. At the outing the 2011 Hall of Fame induction Class will be introduced.

Anyone interested in participating, may contact Butch Cope.

SCHOOLS REMINDED OF CRITICAL NEED TO UPDATE INFORMATION

At this time of year, administrators and coaches are changing schools, retiring, moving to other careers, etc. This is a critical time for the KHSAA to keep its information up to date about your school.

If you are an administrator leaving your school, please take the time to update your information one last time by going through the Members Login on the KHSAA web site to update the information as of now.

Much effort has been expended by staff and the member schools over the last year in making sure of the accuracy of the information, and your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If you need password assistance, contact Marilyn Mitchell at the KHSAA (mmitchell@khsaa.org).

REPORTING OF SCORES

Please remember to call in the scores of contests to the KHSAA/Riherd’s Scoreboard immediately following each contest. The number is 1-800-453-6882 and is toll free.

While it is a Board policy that the membership cooperate with the data collection on the scoreboard or be subject to penalty, it has been proven by the membership time and again that they desire to voluntarily cooperate with this project.

2009-10 KHSAA RULES CLINICS

It is an Association requirement that each licensed official and head coach attend a rules interpretation clinic conducted by the KHSAA (Bylaw 26, Sec. 2). Officials who have not met the requirement will not be permitted to officiate any postseason contest. Coaches who have not met the requirement will not be permitted to coach any postseason contest. For 2009-10, approved KHSAA rules clinic sites and dates. ALL TIMES ARE LOCAL.

BASEBALL

4/1 to 4/30, for 2009-2010, the Baseball Clinic will be online only and may be viewed by coaches and officials for the prescribed makeup fee ($300) per the Bylaw 33 schedule during this period. After this time, postseason penalties per Bylaw 33 will apply.

SOFTBALL

(ALL TIMES ARE LOCAL UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE)

4/1 to 4/30, for 2009-2010, the Softball Clinic will be online only and may be viewed by coaches and officials for the makeup fee ($300) per the Bylaw 33 schedule during this period. After this time, postseason penalties per Bylaw 33 will apply.

TENNIS

Due to inclement weather the online tennis clinic is free until April 12. 4/13 to 5/4 the Tennis Clinic will be online for makeup only and may be viewed by coaches and officials for the makeup fee ($75). 5/5 to 5/12, for 2009-2010, the Tennis Clinic will be online for makeup only and may be viewed by coaches and officials for the makeup fee ($300) per the Bylaw 33 schedule during this period. After this time, postseason penalties per Bylaw 33 will apply.

TRACK & FIELD

3/25 to 4/16, for 2009-2010, the Track & Field Clinic will be online only and may be viewed by coaches and officials for the makeup fee ($75) during this period

4/17 to 4/30, for 2009-2010, the Track & Field Clinic will be online only and may be viewed by coaches and officials for the makeup fee ($300) per the Bylaw 33 schedule during this period. After this time, postseason penalties per Bylaw 33 will apply.

REMAINING KHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

| May 27-29 | Boys' & Girls' Tennis | UK Boone/Downing Complex, Lexington |
| June 3, 5 | Boys' & Girls’ Track | U of L Owsley Frazier Park, Louisville |
| June 11-12 | Fast Pitch Softball | Jack Fisher Park, Owensboro |
| June 14-19 | Forcht Bank/KHSAA Baseball | Applebee’s Park, Lexington |
PNC SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to the following PNC Scholarship winners who were honored at the PNC/KHSAA Boys’ Sweet 16® Tournament. PNC awards a one time $1,000 scholarship to one boy and one girl from each region.

Region 1: Ellexis Gurrola (Lone Oak), Kristen Jackson (Paducah Tilghman), Region 2: Taylor Crawley (Hopkins County Central), Timothy Perdue (Lyon County), Region 3: Alexis Hobbs (Meade County), Zachary Mitchell (Apollo), Region 4: Jessica Starnes (Clinton County), Shathan McCoy (Metcalf County), Region 5: Kamika Joyner (Fort Knox), Christopher May (Fort Knox), Region 6: Caroline Seger (Presentation), Brandon Ritchie (DeSales), Region 7: Kaylia Robertson (Waggener), Kameron Mason (Male), Region 8: Sandy Zhang (Anderson County), Allen Warford (Anderson County), Region 9: Abby Beausir (Beechwood), Brandon Trame (Holy Cross (Covington)), Region 10: Karlie Smith (Bracken County), William Murphy (Mason County), Region 11: Caroline Smith (Henry Clay), James Witt (Model), Region 12: Kristin Floyd (Somerset), David Elliott (West Jessamine), Region 13: Rhyan Martin (Middlesboro), Jimmy Hall (Knox Central), Region 14: Jodi Dawes (Estill County), Deron Terrill (Wolfe County), Region 15: Destiny Key (Belfry), Zach LeMaster (Prestonsburg), Region 16: Lindsey Hale (Menifee County), Ryan Holbrook (Fairview).