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President's Message

With the exception of a few Middle School matches, the 2003 UIL High School Soccer Season and State Tournament are over, it's HISTORY. But, we, as TASO Referees, aren't quite finished yet.

Our last stand at the ALAMO will be our **END-OF-SEASON GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING and OFFICER ELECTIONS** on **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23 AT 7:00PM AT ST. ANDREWS**. We will conduct our Chapter business meeting, recap our season and performance, and have an election of officers for the Secretary and Vice President positions.

Perry Wooden has been our Chapter Secretary for the past four (4) years. Perry has done a meticulous, painstaking job of organizing and maintaining our Chapter membership records, including referee recruitment and registration, annual referee registrations with TASO and membership communications. Perry has served his two, two year terms, the maximum allowed by our bylaws, and thus is not seeking re-election to this position.

I guess I can not say enough as to how Perry has contributed to our Chapter over the past four years. It has certainly made my job easier. THANK YOU PERRY for a job well done.

Ed Bazan is the Chapter's current and incumbent Vice President. Ed succeeded Larry Crisafulli to the Vice Presidents position on April 17, 2001. In this position Ed has maintained our staff of District Representatives that establish our first line of contact with our member ISD's and schools within the Chapter's service area. In his first two year stint Ed has done a marvelous job maintaining and coordinating the communication efforts of our District Reps, as well as supporting my efforts as President. Ed tells me that he desires to return for more punishment and abuse. So Ed Bazan will be seeking his second two year term as Vice President of your Chapter.

If any one out there, a Tarrant Chapter member referee in good standing has an interest in serving on your Chapter's Executive Board as either Chapter Secretary or Vice President, please contact me for further information and detail about the available positions.

Thank you all for your support, interest and service to your Chapter.

SEE YOU ON APRIL 23.

Tom Cochran

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2003 High School Soccer Season

Our Tarrant Chapter had a very good UIL High School Soccer Season this year. Not always a given in Texas, we had very good weather generally, though a bit windy on occasions.

No matter how you prepare, train and communicate with the ISD's and High Schools though, there will always be new challenges. This season was no exception. But overall things went well, and we have some good training materials for next season.

We successfully negotiated the various District play, thrusting our referees into Bi-District, Area and Regional playoffs.

Our Tarrant Chapter provided many referee crews for many different stages of the play-offs at many locations, both within our service area and traveling long distances to other areas outside of the Metroplex. We have received many great compliments and feedback on our Tarrant Chapter officiating performances at all levels of soccer playoffs this season. Thanks for representing our Chapter so well. This speaks well for our excellent training program. Thanks Fred and Bill.

Congratulations are especially in order to Kyle Borne, John Navarro and Abe Nagim who were selected for the 5A Varsity Girls Regionals in San Antonio.

Larry Crisafulli and Tim Debysingh were Tarrant Chapter's representatives selected by the UIL to go to the State UIL Soccer Tournament in Georgetown on April 3, 4 and 5. In fact both of these guys received the honor of doing the State Final matches. Larry did the 4A Boys final and Tim did the 5A Boys final. I'm sure they have some great experiences to share with us.

I hope all of our officials had a GREAT experience in their play-offs, and come back to our End-of-Season meeting to share those special moments with us. These guys are congratulated for their leadership and efforts this 2003 high school season.

GREAT JOB EVERYONE!!!

TRAINING TIP....

As observed sporadically throughout the season, our Linesmanship needs some polish. Occasionally some of our officials feel it is beneath their dignity to do Lines. Folks, we have to alter this concept. As officials, if we do an adequate job, we can truly improve on how well the game flows by assisting the Center properly. However, if the Line is lazy, does not keep up with the offside position, or follow the ball all the way to the goal line, disregard substitution responsibilities and do not follow the Center's pre-game instructions, we can really hurt the entire crew, and jeopardize the control of the match.

Please take some time and review the reason you are there, and the responsibility you have by accepting the game assignment to your fellow referee crew members, to the teams and spectators.

Please take this constructive criticism to heart, and do some reflection.

THANKS TO THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

A big round of applause and a hardy THANK YOU to my/your Executive Board for a stupendous effort this high school soccer season.

As mentioned earlier, Perry Wooden has performed an excellent and efficient job as Secretary to your Chapter. Treasurer, Steve Judkins has done an excellent job making our deposits, paying our bills and keeping our budget in line. Also as mentioned earlier, Ed Bazan has provided excellent leadership in dealing with many issues for the Chapter, and keeping our District Reps organized and in the loop.

Paul Zomnir is our District 9 Director representing our Chapter with the TASO organization. Paul facilitates communications between the Chapter and TASO and the UIL. Paul also helps provide the 4th/5th officials for our local Regional Tournament at Pennington. And....provides many other chores within the Chapter to help keep us operating smoothly. Great job Paul.

Bonnie Wick serves as our Chapter Referee Assignor. This is an extremely important job, but in many respects a very thankless job, that does not get the recognition it should. Bonnie spends countless hours on the telephone, maintaining communications between the schools and our many, count them 200, referees to assure all the soccer matches are covered with our officials. Bonnie is very conscientious and dedicated for which we owe her a great deal of gratitude.

And....finally, what more can I say about the Fred and Bill 'show'? Fred, our Chapter Training Officer, always organizes and provides us with the most up to date, necessary and appropriate training tools designed for all of us to do our job correctly. Fred is extremely dedicated, and does his part with enthusiasm and meticulous detail. Bill, as past president, provides super backup and support to Fred in our training, manages our Chapter A&D Committee and is the Editor of our Whistle Newsletter.

Thank you ALL for your tremendous efforts and support to the Chapter.

THE '03 SOCCER SEASON IS COMPLETED; IT'S TIME TO PAY BONNIE...

As you all know, now that the high school soccer season has been completed, it is now time to pay our Referee Assignor, Bonnie Wick, for her services.

As registered members of Tarrant Chapter, you accept the responsibility to pay referee Assignor's Fees for all soccer matches we are assigned to by Ms. Wick; this includes all games assigned, whether they are regular season, district or playoff matches, even Middle School matches.

There is a form that we have provided in your 2003 Officials' Manual to help remind you and help calculate the fees that you owe. Please remit your assignor's fee directly to Bonnie, as stated on the form, and detach the bottom portion and send to Perry Wooden, Chapter Secretary for membership record maintenance and eligibility for the 2004 high school soccer season.

REMEMBER....the Assignor's fee you owe Bonnie is based on \$3.00 for each middle/center duty performed, \$3.00 for each dual performed and \$2.00 for each line assignment. Please make this calculation, and send your check payable to Bonnie Wick, 1129 Hill Street, Grand Prairie, Texas 75050 for your fees owed. You will most likely not be billed by Bonnie for these fees. However, if you are in doubt as to the number of games worked/assigned, please contact Bonnie to confirm your number of games.

BONNIE SAYS.....

Ms. Wick wishes to let all of you know about what a **GREAT** job you all have done this past season. Bonnie has received many compliments from Coaches and schools about the quality, professionalism and ability of Tarrant Chapter Referees.

Of course we, as officials seldom hear those praises, but the Coaches and schools have regular contact with Bonnie, so she always hears the GOOD, BAD and UGLY of our performances.

Keep up the good work, thanks for your efforts throughout this soccer season, and stay in shape through the summer for the next UIL High School Soccer Season.

**REMEMBER... WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23; OUR
END-OF-SEASON MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AND OFFICER ELECTIONS**

When – Wednesday, April 23

Time – 7:00PM

**Where – St. Andrews Library at St. Andrews Catholic Church and School, 3304
Dryden Road (at Stadium Drive, in the TCU area), near University
Drive South and Granbury Road**