

THE HISTORY OF THE INDIANA FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, December 13, 1970, fifty-four (54) Indiana high school football coaches attended a meeting at the Imperial House in Bloomington, Indiana.

		<u>HIGH SCHOOLS REPRESENTED</u>
Max Address	Columbus	
Tony Berto	Delphi	
J.R. Bishop	Lawrence Central	Batesville (3)
Jerry Brelage	Batesville	Beech Grove
Duane Brown	FW North	Bloomington (5)
John Connelly	Delphi	Carmel
Dave Conrad	Whiteland	Columbus
Wayne Davis	North Daviess	Crown Point
Wayne A. Davis	Frankfort	Delphi (2)
Gary Demes	Monrovia	East Chicago Washington
Buzz Doerffler	FW Central	Elkhart
Willis Dunker	Batesville	Evansville Harrison (2)
Hub Etchison	Richmond	Frankfort (3)
John Friend	Munster	Franklin
Al Gallo	Bloomington	FW Central
Marvin Groh	Bloomington	FW North
Dale Hamacher	Kankakee Valley	Gary Horace Mann
Bill Harrawood	Evansville Harrison	Hobart
Charles Harris	North Daviess	Indpls. Broad Ripple
Reece Heninger	Frankfort	Indpls. Washington
Chris Herdel	Mitchell	Kankakee Valley
Tom Hession	Shelbyville	Lafayette Central Catholic (2)
Don Howell	Hobart	Lawrence Central
Lou Jihajlovich	Mishawaka	Marion
Art Juergens	Batesville	Michigan City Elston
Bill Karjsinski	Michigan City Elston	Mishawaka
Pat Koers	Indpls. Broad Ripple	Mishawaka Marian
Tom Kurth	Elkhart	Mitchell (2)
Dick Lamb	Carmel	Monrovia (2)
Paul LaRocca	Lafayette Central Catholic	Munster
Dick Lootens	Marion	North Daviess (2)
Ron McClughen	Frankfort	North Judson (2)
Bill Moree	Mitchell	Richmond
Hank Orkis	North Judson	Shelbyville (4)
Bob Otolski	Mishawaka Marian	South Bend Adams
Meredith Payne Jr.	Shelbyville	Tell City
Blake Ress	Shelbyville	Valparaiso
Dave Schaeffer	Crown Point	Whiteland
Tom Sells	Bloomington	
Jules Siegle	East Chicago Washington	
Philip V. Smith	Bloomington	
Bob Springer	Indpls. Washington	1971-72 Tom Sells
Tom Stokes	Valparaiso	1972-73 Bob Springer
Joe Talley	Tell City	1973-74 Jules Siegle
Tom Thomes	Lafayette Central Catholic	1974-75 Joe Talley
Les Thornton	North Judson	1975-76 John Friend
Jack Tindall	Shelbyville	1976-77 Tom Hession
Dave Topping	Beech Grove	1979-80 Tony Berto
Larry Trueblood	Franklin	1980-81 Bill Harrawood
Mike Walton	Monrovia	
Don Watson	Evansville Harrison	
Bob Webb	Gary Horace Mann	
L. Grier Werner	Bloomington	
Bob Wilbur	South Bend Adams	

FUTURE PRESIDENT'S IN ATTENDANCE

Tom Sells, Head Football Coach at Bloomington High School was a prime organizer of this initial meeting. Coach Sells was elected as the IFCA's first President and was quoted as saying "one of my main goals right now is to build the organization." It is quite evident today that he accomplished his stated goal. The IFCA organization has grown from a group of fifty-four (54) to an annual membership of over two thousand (2,000) coaches from all levels throughout the state. Initial dues were \$5.00 for high school coaches and \$2.00 for junior high coaches.

In addition to Tom Sells as President, other officers elected were Bob Springer of Indianapolis Washington H.S. as First Vice-President, Hub Etchison of Richmond H.S. as Second Vice-President (Clinic & All-Star Game Promotions) & John Friend of Munster H.S. as Secretary - Treasurer. Also, Coach Sells appointed Max Andress of Columbus H.S. to study the group's constitution & appointed John Friend to handle the preparation of the IFCA pamphlet.

The first meeting organized the IFCA into five (5) districts throughout the state. Each district would have the following officers; one Chairman and two Vice-Chairmen. The first group of district officers were as follows:

District I (Northwest)

Chairman	Jules Siegle	East Chicago Washington H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Tony Berto	Delphi H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Bob Otolski	Mishawaka Marian H.S.

District II (Northeast)

Chairman	Tom Kurth	Elkhart H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Jerry Young	Huntington H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Jim Law	Oak Hill H.S.

District III (West Central)

Chairman	Dave Shaw	Warren Central H.S.
Vice-Chairman	John Moses	Tipton H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Glenn Knecht	Crawfordsville H.S.

District IV (East Central)

Chairman	Max Andress	Columbus H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Tom Hession	Shelbyville H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Dale Alt	Alexandria H.S.

District V (Southern)

Chairman	Forrest McCaffrey	New Albany H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Archie Owen	Evansville Bosse H.S.
Vice-Chairman	Wally Yeoman	Bedford H.S.

THE FOUNDING FATHERS

- Tom Sells Highly successful football coach at Bloomington High School. He had a vision and was willing to work for the IFCA to make it happen. Bob Springer remembers that Tom's aggressiveness with his fellow coaches and the IHSAA was the key. Tom never gave in, kept pushing and pushing, and finally the IHSAA gave in simply to shut him up. Tom was the right choice to be the first IFCA President.
- Bob Springer Highly successful football coach at Indianapolis Washington High School. Bob had tremendous influence and respect in the Indianapolis community and with Mr. Phil Eskew and the IHSAA. Bob was good friends with Bob Williams, sports writer with the Indianapolis Star. Bob Williams' column "Shootin the Stars" kept the IFCA and it's playoff hopes alive writing story after story for the public and IHSAA to see. Served as a football representative on the Indiana High School Athletic Association (All Sports) for years in the 1970's. Coach Springer was a very important part of the IFCA in it's early years. He became the second President of the IFCA.
- Hub Etchison Highly successful football coach at Richmond High School. Hub had tremendous organizational skills and led from "behind the scenes", which was his choice and where he did his best work. Hub ran his Richmond Clinic and was extremely active in the North - South All-Star Game. Hub had a way of suggesting ideas to the officers so they would believe it was their idea. He organized the Richmond City Council and business leaders to establish the Indiana Football Hall of Fame in Richmond. He worked with Senior Birch Bayh in securing the old post office which still is the location of the Indiana Football Hall of Fame. John Friend related a story that simply proves the importance of Hub Etchison. Hub's health was failing and John wanted to pay him a visit. John drove to Richmond, found Hub on his front porch, got out of his car and walked up to see Hub. Bo Schembechler was sitting on the porch talking to Hub. The conversation turned to Walter Alston, for Brooklyn Dodger Manager, and Weeb Ewbank, former Super Bowl coach with the New York Jets. They talked about driving between Richmond and Oxford, Ohio, drinking long necks at all the little taverns along the way. Hub's influence was endless.
- Joe Talley Highly successful football coach at Tell City High School. Joe's importance centered with his willingness to represent all the football coaches in the southern part of the state. He bridged the gap between the insolated Evansville coaches and the Evansville Clinic. He talked John Friend into speaking at the Evansville Clinic twice simply to spread the IFCA's message and goals. With the help of Bill Harrawood of Boonville, Joe was the driving force from the south. He became the fourth President of the IFCA.

- Jules Siegle Highly successful football coach at East Chicago Washington High School. Jules teamed with John Friend to represent the "Region" in the IFCA. He was the third President of the IFCA and was in office when the first playoff games were played. During his reign as President, the first class was inducted into the Indiana Football Hall of Fame. During the following years, Jules was a tireless worker and traveler, with his "chauffeur" John Friend, he held inductions in Northwest Indiana, in the South Bend area, in the Fort Wayne area, in the central part of Indiana and as far south as Evansville. Jules represented the IFCA with class and dignity.
- John Friend Highly successful football coach at Munster High School. The IFCA's first Secretary - Treasurer and served in that capacity for three years. John will tell you that Tom Sells, Hub Etchison, Bob Springer, Jules Siegle and Joe Talley were the driving forces behind the inception and growth of the IFCA, however, John had as much to do with the early growth and success as anyone. He served as IFCA Vice-President and then as the President in 1975-76. He initiated the Grid Coach Magazine and continued to publish it for over 25 years. The magazine provided a forum for young coaches to write articles and further their coaching careers. The IFCA became a more respected and professional organization because of his efforts with the Grid Coach Magazine. John continued to be the "GO TO GUY" for whatever was needed and to this day can be counted on to serve the IFCA. His contributions to the IFCA will never be fully known.

THE EARLY YEARS

The initial goals of the IFCA were to improve the caliber of football in the state of Indiana and to promote the sport of football at the various levels of the school systems. Within three years the following accomplishments had been achieved by the IFCA:

1. Sponsored a clinic for all levels of instruction.
2. Printed Indiana Football publication.
3. Selected North-South All Star teams.
4. Selected North-South High School coaching staffs.
5. Selected coaches of the year in each classification.
6. Expedited State Championship Playoffs in classes A, AA, & AAA.
7. Organized Indiana Football Hall of Fame.

Dues had been maintained at \$5.00 for high school coaches & \$2.00 for junior high coaches. Each district was making a concentrated effort to increase membership for the benefit of all member schools.

Hub Etchison continued to lead the association from "behind the scenes" contacting successful coaches to write articles for the Indiana Football Coaches magazine, while adding at the bottom of the letter to the IFCA President that "a message from the President is in order. Let's do it". Vintage Hub !! He continued with let's go big & 1st class.

A football playoff had been discussed with Mr.Phil Eskew & the IHSAA as early as 1966. Five coaches listed below met with Mr. Eskew & several IHSAA Council Members discussing a possible playoff:

THE ORIGINAL PLAYOFF COMMITTEE	Max Adress	Columbus
	Bob Springer	Indianapolis Washington
	Archie Owen	Evansville Bosse
	Jules Siegel	East Chicago Washington
	Bill Goshert	Fort Wayne North

The biggest roadblocks were how many classes, how many teams would qualify & who would pick the teams. Mr. Eskew answered "Not Me" to the last two. "I wouldn't want my name associated with it & have all those angry losers after me". Obviously, no decision was reached.

With the organization of the IFCA in December, 1970, a renewed effort was started to develop a football playoff system. Tom Sells, IFCA President, led the charge. He continued to push his fellow coaches and the IHSAA so the playoffs would become a reality. There were several hurdles to overcome along the way. First and foremost, the IHSAA Commissioner & Board of Control needed to be convinced the playoffs would fit into the athletic calendar year. Any variations needed to accommodate a football playoff were met with resistance. Mr. Eskew for two years had said "we're looking at it but we can't do it yet". The coaches continued to work towards a playoff & gain support throughout the state of Indiana. Finally, in 1972, Mr. Eskew said that two things needed to be resolved & then serious discussions could be held. Classes needed to be developed with the number of teams for each & a tie breaker had to be adopted. The IFCA proposed three classes (A - AA - AAA) with four teams qualifying in each class. A point system was developed to determine who would qualify. A tie breaker was patterned after one the state of Kansas used & discussions began.

1972-73 IFCA OFFICERS

<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>VICE PRESIDENT</u>	<u>VICE PRESIDENT</u>	<u>SECRETARY/ TREASURER</u>
Bob Springer Indpls. Washington	Jules Siegle EC Washington	Hub Etchison Richmond	John Friend Munster

1972-73 DISTRICT OFFICERS

<u>District I (Northwest)</u> Chairman Vice-Chairman Vice-Chairman	Tony Berto Bob Otolski Pat McCaffrey	Delphi H.S. Mishawaka Marian H.S. Lafayette Jeff
<u>District II (Northeast)</u> Chairman Vice-Chairman Vice-Chairman	Jim Law Frank Houk Leland Etzler	Oak Hill H.S. Goshen Woodlan
<u>District III (West Central)</u> Chairman Vice-Chairman Vice-Chairman	Glenn Knecht Brent Anderson Chuck Robbins	Crawfordsville H.S. Clinton Southport
<u>District IV (East Central)</u> Chairman Vice-Chairman Vice-Chairman	Tom Hession Dick Meador	Shelbyville H.S. Lawrenceburg
<u>District V (Southern)</u> Chairman Vice-Chairman Vice-Chairman	Archie Owen Joe Talley	Evansville Bosse H.S. Tell City
Annual Meeting Dates:	Richmond Clinic Purdue Clinic All Star Clinic	Board of Directors General Meeting / Board of Directors General Meeting / Board of Directors

1972 NORTH-SOUTH ALL STAR GAME (First All Star Game Coached by High School Coaches)

<u>NORTH</u>		<u>LOCATION</u>
HC Bob Otolski	Mishawaka Marian	IU MEMORIAL STADIUM
AC Leland Etzler	Woodlan	
AC John Friend	Munster	<u>SCORE</u>
AC Jim Law	Oak Hill	SOUTH 32 NORTH 0
AC Phil Teegarden	SB St. Joseph	

<u>SOUTH</u>		<u>MVP</u>
HC Hub Etchison	Richmond	S Walter Peacock
AC Dick Dullaghan	Indpls. Chatard	Indianapolis Shortridge
AC Bob Padgett	Evansville Reitz	<u>RABOLD AWARD WINNER</u>
AC Chuck Robbins	Southport	N Levi Mitchell
AC Joe Talley	Tell City	Gary Froebel
		Iowa

<u>NORTH</u>		<u>SOUTH</u>	
10 Mike Stock	Elkhart	10 Keith DeTrude	Indpls. Arlington
12 John Visnyak	Hammond	12 Bill Lynch	Indpls. Chatard
14 Mike Weserngren	Chesterton	14 Bob Nelson	Evansville Reitz
20 Keith Johnson	Munster	20 Robin Schoolcraft	Martinsville
22 Al Szawara	LaPorte	22 Walt Peacock	Indpls. Shortridge
24 Bob Paar	Mishawaka Marian	24 Larry Johnson	Evansville Reitz
30 Tom Holliday	Elkhart	30 Tom Address	Columbus
32 Jim Kelleher	FW Luers	32 Robert Alexander	New Albany
34 Todd Smith	Huntington North	34 Ralph Henry	Bloomington
35 Emmett Jones	Gary West	35 George McNichols	Edgewood
42 Steve Mathews	Eastern	42 Scott Studwell	Evansville Harrison
43 Tom Younkin	Lafayette Jeff	43 Sylvester Wilson	TH South
44 John Tharpe	Western	44 Tom Buck	Evansville Reitz
45 Eric Wilk	Hammond Noll	45 Bruce Smith	Indpls. Washington
50 Chuck Drewry	Lowell	50 Bill Brusse	Evansville Harrison
52 Jack Vandenbemden	Hammond Morton	52 Dave Carter	Vincennes Lincoln
60 Lloyd Cheek	Kokomo	60 Marcus Averitte	Indpls. Washington
62 Mike Kliwczak	LaPorte	62 Garry Mills	TH South
64 Elijah Clark	Gary West	64 Bob Bray	Southport
66 Dick Buell	MC Elston	66 Mike Winslow	Evansville Harrison
70 Dan Grenat	Harrison	67 Kevin Kelley	Jasper
72 Bob Stark	Andrean	70 Tom Jones	Indpls. Washington
74 James McDonald	Gary West	74 Rick Martinez	Lawrence Central
75 Steve Barilich	Mishawaka Marian	75 Steve Bennett	Evansville Harrison
80 Les Woodford	SB Adams	80 Trent Smock	Richmond
81 Mark Knust	Mishawaka Marian	81 Jerry Kemp	Bloomington
82 Chuck Nicholson	SB LaSalle	82 Jim McNulty	Bloomington
83 Don Thomas	MC Elston	83 Mike Owen	Evansville Bosse
84 Dave Devich	Highland	84 Fred Fulmer	North Central
85 Mike Eikenberry	FW Central Catholic	85 Brent Smith	Richmond
87 John Jackson	Marion	87 Chris Kleeman	Tell City
88 Isaiah (Ike) Owens	Gary Roosevelt	88 John Scheidler	Indpls. Chatard

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Hagerstown

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Vice-Chairman

Archie Owen
Jack Jewell
Bill Griffith

Evansville Bosse H.S.
Fort Branch
Jeffersonville

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HC Bill Doba	Mishawaka	IU MEMORIAL STADIUM
AC Tony Berto	Delphi	
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AC John Moses	Tipton	NORTH 16 SOUTH 14

<u>SOUTH</u>		<u>MVP</u>
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AC J.R. Bishop	Lawrence Central	Wawasee
AC Glenn Knecht	Crawfordsville	<u>RABOLD AWARD WINNER</u>
AC Dick Meador	Lawrenceburg	S Phil Powell
		Mitchell
		Franklin College

<u>NORTH</u>		<u>SOUTH</u>	
10 Mike McRay	SB St. Joseph	10 Joe Minnick	And. Madison Hts.
14 John Dubenetzky	Hobart	14 Doug Davis	Vincennes Lincoln
18 Kevin Horvath	SB Washington	18 Dan Smith	Franklin Central
20 Chubby Phillips	SB Adams	20 Dick Nalley	Indpls. Roncalli
22 Tom Seeger	West Lafayette	22 Scott Yelvington	Warren Central
24 Jim Swank	Rochester	24 Joe Weber	Indpls. Cathedral
26 Dave Gapinski	SB St. Joseph	26 Vincent Allen	Richmond
32 John Mitchell	Hobart	32 Pat Malone	Tell City
34 Bob Patnoude	FW Luers	34 Myron (Mo) Moriarity	Martinsville
36 Luther Bradley	Muncie North	36 George Dinn	Columbus North
42 Kim Cripe	Wawasee	42 Al Cobb	Indpls. Shortridge
44 Jeff Tonner	Rensselaer	44 Kevin McDewitt	Bloomington South
48 John Marzotto	Mishawaka	48 Ron Hayes	Indpls. Washington
50 Jim Sciarini	FW Dwenger	50 Gary England	North Central
52 Tom Eastman	Elkhart Central	52 Joe Doggett	Jeffersonville
60 Greg Wilson	Marion	60 Dave Gossman	Evansville Mater Dei
62 Cory Webster	Merrillville	62 Dick Kingery	Indpls. Howe
64 Monte Koldyke	Mishawaka	64 Dan Stenger	Crawfordsville
65 Mark Opat	EC Roosevelt	65 Dan Johnson	Indpls. Chatard
70 Curtis Kirkland	Gary Emerson	70 Drew Pattyn	Indpls. Brebeuf
77 Leroy Love	SB Washington	77 Bob Yost	Bloomington South
78 Randy Riggs	Eastern	78 Matt Blane	Indpls. Washington
79 Walt Graham	Gary West	79 Kim Willis	Richmond
80 Don Block	Mishawaka Marian	80 Derek Foree	Indpls. Attucks
82 Wid Knight	FW Northrop	82 Craig Marks	Noblesville
85 Joe Sullivan	Andrean	85 Earl Milligan	Evansville Reitz
87 Frank Johnson	Gary West	87 Jim Bremner	North Central
88 Harold Vaughn	Lafayette Jeff	88 Mark Holsapple	Evansville Bosse

BASIC REGULATIONS FOR THE 1973 STATE FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Selection of Teams

Districts - Indiana shall be divided into four geographical districts for each classification and districts may be redefined as warranted by the Board of Control.

Classification - Schools participating in the football playoffs shall be classified every two years according to their male enrollment in grades 10, 11 & 12 as certified in the annual report required by the Division of Inspection - State Department of Public Instruction. The 1973 classification will be based on 1972 enrollment.

AAA (3A)	Schools with male enrollment of 501 and over.
AA (2A)	Schools with male enrollment of 251 to 500.
A (1A)	Schools with male enrollment of 250 and under.

Number of games - To be Counted

A maximum of ten games will be counted but no season games played during the week of the semi-finals shall be counted.

District Representatives

Rating Points - a numerical rating will be used to select one representative in each of the four districts for each of the three classifications. Rating points are awarded as follows:

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Defeating A</u>	<u>Defeating AA</u>	<u>Defeating AAA</u>
<u>AAA (3A)</u>	4	8	12
<u>AA (2A)</u>	8	12	16
<u>A (1A)</u>	12	16	20

Total accumulated points will be divided:

- (1) By 9 when less than 10 season games are played by a school
- (2) By 10 when 10 season games are played by a school

The district representative in each class will be the team with the highest point average.

Out of state schools will be classified the same as Indiana Schools.

Two games with the same team -- Points for both games will be counted.

Tie Breaking Procedures (for rating point ties)

- A) If either team has defeated the other in regular season play, the winner shall be the district representative. If they have not played go to B) below.
- B) The team whose opponents have the highest rating point average as determined above shall be the district representative. If a tie still occurs go to C) below.
- C) The team whose opponents have the most wins shall be the district representative. If a tie still exists go to D) below.
- D) The team whose opponents have fewer defeats shall be the district representative. If a tie still exists go to E) below.
- E) Flip a coin.

Excerpt from a note John Friend sent to Joe Talley on October 22, 1973:

I have talked with Tom Sells and Jules and the feeling is that we should "lay low" until after the playoff is over before raising hell about changes, etc.

P.S. Sells should cut you in on the take!

THE PLAYOFFS BEGIN

The weekend of November 9-10, 1973, was an historical time for the IFCA. Twelve teams competed in the first regional football games ever in Indiana high school football history. It was a culmination of hard work and perseverance by the leadership of the IFCA. Total attendance for the six regional games was 21,238. Gate receipts totaled \$32,085. Expenditures were \$9,514. The IHSAA realized \$11,285, while the participants shared \$11,286.

The following weekend on November 16-17, three state championship games were played at three sites. Total attendance was 13,424. Gate receipts totaled \$21,070. Expenditures were \$5,494. The IHSAA realized \$7,787 while the participants shared \$7,789.

Total attendance for the two weekends as 34,662. A DREAM HAD COME TRUE !!!

REGIONALS (NOVEMBER 9-10, 1973)

Class AAA

SB Washington 27 Hammond Gavit 14
Indpls. Cathedral 32 Bloomington South 28

Host

Hammond Gavit
Bloomington South

Class AA

Blackford 28 Wawasee 14
Greenfield Central 28 Tell City 7

Wawasee
Greenfield Central

Class A

Mishawaka Marian 42 Woodlan 0
Clarksville Providence 40 Hamilton Heights 0

Mishawaka Marian
Hamilton Heights

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS (NOVEMBER 16-17, 1973) & MENTAL ATTITUDE AWARD WINNERS

Class AAA

SB Washington (H) 19 `12-0 Robert "Beans" VanCamp
Indpls. Cathedral 13 `11-1 Mike McGinley
Indpls. Cathedral Dave Zapp

Class AA

Greenfield Central (H) 21 `12-0 Clayton Myers
Blackford 12 `9-3 Eldon Leeth
Blackford Leroy Robbins

Class A

Mishawaka Marian 21 `10-2 Mike Hecklinski
Providence (H) 14 `11-1 Gene Sartini
Mishawaka Marian John Davis

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Bob Williams, Indianapolis Star Sports Reporter, wrote an article discussing the 1973 Playoffs. Bob quoted Jules Siegle and Joe Talley. Jules said, "We think championship games should be played in a more central location. On Friday night & Saturday at the same neutral college site if possible". He continued, "Most of the press and radio people covering the SB Washington - Cathedral game were from the North. I'm sure you would have a much better turnout all the way around if it could be played in Indianapolis or some other central location". Jules also mentioned that the coaches are pushing for standardized awards. They give rings to players in basketball's state championship game and medals in football. "I understand Cathedral was a bit upset because all five game officials were from the North. We're sure the IHSAA selected the very best officials available". Joe Talley had these thoughts. The wild card game already approved will help. I definitely feel that the IHSAA will have to approve all playoff sites. Joe & Jules agree one of the most popular moves would be to increase the number of playoff teams in each class from four to eight. It would expand the playoffs from two weeks to three. Obviously, the format can be improved but it's a great start and "a dream come true" said IFCA President, Jules Siegle.

INDIANA FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME

The Indiana Football Hall of Fame as started in January, 1973, as an affiliation of the Indiana Football Coaches Association. The Coaches Association formulates and directs all policies concerning nominees for induction into the Hall of Fame. Candidates include coaches, players, officials, sport media and citizens of our State who made prominent and lasting contributions in the advancement of football excellence.

The Hall of Fame includes retrospection from Indiana's prestigious football history, running the gamut from the early twenties to the present and into the future. The Hall of Fame also honors those individuals and corporations whose financial contributions have made the Indiana Football Hall of Fame a Reality.

First meeting of the Indiana Football Hall of Fame was held at the Leland Hotel on May 15, 1973. Board of Directors were Hubert Etchison, Harry Davidson, Claude O'Malley, Charles Wellings, all of Richmond; John Friend, Munster; Bill Siderewicz, Martinsville; Jules Siegel, East Chicago; Joe Talley, Tell City; and Bob Williams, Indianapolis Star.

The Indiana Football Hall of Fame organization purchased their building in Richmond, IN, in July, 1974, at a cost of \$98,000. Photographs and mementos have been received from schools and colleges around the state. Plaques for all inductees are displayed and ceramic tiles with signatures of all donors are placed in the Hall.

On September 4, 1974, Governor Otis R. Bowen, Governor of the State of Indiana, issued a proclamation setting aside the month of September, 1974, as Indiana Football Hall of Fame month in recognition of the importance to the State of its excellent football history.

The first class was inducted in 1973. The following ten men where included:

Henry Bogue	Coach	Indianapolis Washington
Herman Byers	Coach	Evansville Reitz
Ray Gallivan	Player	Whiting
Ralph Johnson	Coach	Speedway
Robert Jones	Coach	SB Central
Paul "Spike" Kelly	Coach	SB Riley
Frank Luzar	Official	Indianapolis
Pat O'Neil	Coach	Lawrenceburg
Pete Rucinski	Coach	East Chicago
Cecil "Zeke" Young	Coach	Auburn

After three years as an organization, the IFCA continued to grow and expand. The founding fathers continued to lead and more Indiana football coaches were becoming more involved. Membership was increasing, the playoffs had continued to improve, the Hall of Fame was now a reality and high school football was becoming more important in the state of Indiana.

John Friend was deeply involved as the Secretary-Treasurer. Following are excerpts from a letter he sent to IFCA President Joe Talley on April 11, 1974:

I have, or will have, completed the following items no later than April 12th:

Ordered 3 plaques for North-South Game. (Rex K., Claude O. and Coach Pete Billick of Andean H.S.) I will get appropriate wording.

Written Hub Etchison in regard to displays at Clinic. Hub should list the various companies and request door prizes from each.

Arranged with Bob Day to stay at Columbia Club in Indianapolis. We should arrive by 7:00 or so [Concerning football playoff meeting with IHSAA]

Written to Jim Arbuckle at Bloomington South in regard to Clinic assistance.

Written thank-you to Paul LaRocca for his help at Purdue. I indicated to Paul that I would pass files and \$ to him as soon as I was finished with magazine. (No later than Summer All-Star Clinic) Paul indicated he would serve a minimum of 2 years.

Written a thank-you to Alex Agase for the excellent co-operation provided at Purdue.

Compiled a new roster of Board of Directors and sent to each officer and director.

Written a news release on election at Purdue.

Written to Carey McDonald of National High School Coaches Association. (We might want to attend this meeting.)

Will order 100 license plates for clinic sale.

Will send North-South coaches a copy of game agreements.

Joe, I think the following need your attention:

Prepare a recommendation for the August Board Meeting that Paul LaRocca be paid a salary for Secretary-Treasurer.

Write or call Tony Berto and ask him to review our Constitution and recommend changes for Board Meeting on August 3. (Lunch meeting during Clinic) Tom Sells has up-to-date copy of Constitution.

If he doesn't go to Florida, ask Jim Law to be ready with new membership drive plans for August meeting. I understand Jim will not get the Goshen job. (Goshen Supt. tried to call Tuesday, but I was out.)

Look over Board of Directors. The following have rarely attended a meeting.

District 1 Banary
District 3 Robbins
District 4 Meader

You might want to recommend changes in August.

Mrs. Wolfe is up-dating all cards, memberships, etc.

I will take preliminary magazine material to the printer at Crown Point on Sunday. (Hope for late May publishing) If you sell an ad, get to me by May 3.

See you in Indianapolis.

JOHN FRIEND.....THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND THE IFCA !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

1974-75 IFCA OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

Joe Talley
Tell City

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Munster

VICE PRESIDENT

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1974-75 DISTRICT OFFICERS

District I (Northwest)

Chairman
Vice-Chairman
Vice-Chairman

Tony Berto
Ray Banary
Pat McCaffrey

Delphi H.S.
Chesterton H.S.
Lafayette Jeff

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Chairman
Vice-Chairman
Vice-Chairman

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Frank Houk
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Oak Hill H.S.
Goshen
Woodlan

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Chairman
Vice-Chairman
Vice-Chairman

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Clinton
Carmel

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Vice-Chairman

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District V (Southern)

Chairman
Vice-Chairman
Vice-Chairman

Archie Owen
Jack Jewell
Bill Griffith

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Fort Branch
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1974 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

Leslie "Benny" Allen
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Wayne Fuson
Joe Harmon
Paul "Tony" Hinkle
Karl Huffline
Vernon Huffman
Delby Humphrey
Cloyd Julian
Max Kidd
Ed "Moose" Krause
Dr. James Logan
Walter "Wally" Marks
Art Rolfe
Chris Schenkel
Dutch Struck
John Tatum
Alex Thom
Raymond Trobaugh
Emil Uremovich
Bob Williams

Player
Player
Coach
Official
Coach
Coach
Coach
Coach
Sports Writer
Player
Coach
Coach
Player
Equipment
Official
Coach
Player
Player
Coach
Coach
Sportscaster
Coach
Coach
Coach
Coach
Player
Sports Writer

SB Central
Indiana
Gary Lew Wallace
Indianapolis
Indiana Deaf
Indiana
Purdue
Richmond
Indianapolis
Indpls. Cathedral
Butler
Hammond
New Castle
Wabash
Indianapolis
Brazil
Notre Dame
Richmond
Indiana State
Gary Emerson
Bippus
Hanover
Bloomington
New Albany
Kokomo
Hobart
Indianapolis

1974 NORTH-SOUTH ALL STAR GAME

NORTH
 HC Robert "Beans" VanCamp SB Washington
 AC Dave Ellison Southwestern
 AC Tom Stokes Valparaiso
 AC Gordon Straley West Lafayette

LOCATION
 IU MEMORIAL STADIUM

SCORE
 SOUTH 4 NORTH 3 (OT)

SOUTH
 HC Clayton Myers Greenfield Central
 AC Ted L. Huber Hamilton Heights
 AC Archie Owen Evansville Bosse
 AC Gene Sartini Providence

MVP
 N Rick Enis
 Union City

RABOLD AWARD WINNER
 N George Uremovich
 Merrillville
 Illinois

NORTH
 10 Kelvin Riley Portage
 14 Bob Gracyzk Hammond Gavitt
 18 Mike Mungovan FW Luers
 20 Nick Barnes Mishawaka Marian
 24 Max Richardson FW Luers
 26 Rick Enis Union City
 32 Nick DeCicco Mishawaka Marian
 34 Ed DeBroka Mishawaka
 36 Jack Cutler Chesterton
 42 Brian Parker Southwestern
 44 Rod Wildman Warsaw
 46 Jim Kapitan Lake Central
 48 Dan Jackovich Calumet
 50 Tom Stayer Logansport
 52 Rich Wingo Elkhart Central
 60 Bruce Carl Marion
 62 Andy Hinkle West Lafayette
 64 Tom Largus Munster
 65 Russ Capellari Andean
 66 John Kuckartz Harrison
 70 Greg Stanley Elkhart Memorial
 76 Ken Dike Merrillville
 77 Eldon Bradley SB Washington
 78 Tom Geffert Hammond Clark
 79 Bob Tull SB St. Joseph
 80 Dan Zanka SB Washington
 82 Mike Nesbit Eastern
 85 Carl Eckert Hobart
 87 Bob Florence EC Roosevelt
 88 Fred Arrington FW Northrop

SOUTH
 10 Ed Thompson Lawrence Central
 14 Mike Dickens Evansville Bosse
 18 Doug Barthomomew Bloomington North
 20 Mark White Greenfield Central
 24 Mike Burton Greenfield Central
 26 Elroy Robinson And. Madison Hts.
 32 Anthony Thompson Indpls. Shortridge
 34 Mike Andress Columbus North
 36 Dave Overman Brownsburg
 42 Dominic Dorsey Indpls. Broad Ripple
 44 John Peters Brookville
 45 Pat Harris Providence
 46 Robert Jones Richmond
 48 Rusty Fishel Bloomington North
 50 Marty Morris Anderson
 52 Greg Milam Indpls. Chatard
 60 Jeff Lawrie Indpls. Cathedral
 62 Bob Hicks Indpls. Washington
 64 Joe Miller Evansville Memorial
 65 Gary Brown Hamilton Heights
 66 Tom Quinkert Providence
 70 Pat Kirk Indpls. Scecina
 76 Steve Betulius Evansville Reitz
 77 Mike Beadle Noblesville
 78 Jeff Kirkman Indpls. Northwest
 79 Roger Williams Evansville Reitz
 80 Steve Harton Indpls. Howe
 82 Rick Inman Clinton
 85 George McDavid TH South
 87 Reed May Bloomington South
 88 Dan Talley Tell City

THE PLAYOFFS CONTINUE (1974)

REGIONALS (NOVEMBER 8-9, 1974)

Class AAA

Mishawaka 28 Portage 21
Indpls. Washington 21 Richmond 14

Class AA

Blackford 21 Northwood 13
Boonville 21 Greenfield Central 6

Class A

Garrett 7 Whiting 0
North Knox 21 Westfield 13

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS (NOVEMBER 16, 1974) & MENTAL ATTITUDE AWARD WINNERS

Class AAA

Indpls. Washington(H)	19	`12-0	Bob Springer
Mishawaka	12	`10-2	Bill Doba
Mishawaka			Scot Shaw

Class AA

Blackford (H)	28	`12-0	Eldon Leeth
Boonville	14	`10-2	Bill Harrawood
Boonville			Richard Goings

Class A

Garrett (H)	20	`11-0	David Wiant
North Knox	6	`9-3	Jim Berry
Garrett			Paul Russell

IFCA ACTIVITIES

1/17/1974

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Treasurer's Report</u>	
Total - 519	Previous Balance	\$1,195.40
	Receipts	<u>\$2,556.45</u>
		\$3,751.85
	Disbursements	\$3,421.09
	BALANCE	\$330.76

1/18/1974
Richmond

Survey results reviewed
N/S All-Star Game Bloomington 8/3
IFCA Membership required to coach
Squad increased to 30 (24 + 6 for Bloomington)
Purdue Clinic April 4-5
Hall of Fame Post Office Available

4/5/1974
Purdue

Membership changed to January 1
Review North-South Game Selection Committee
Coaches pick All-Star Teams & Release Teams (Mid January, 1975)
Hall of Fame - Hub Etchison proposed 92 counties sell 1000 tickets each,
also one 2 day meeting of IFCA Officers.

8/1/1974

<u>Membership</u>		<u>Treasurer's Report</u>	
District 1	156	Previous Balance	\$330.76
District 2	67	Receipts	<u>\$2,427.00</u>
District 3	108		<u>\$2,757.76</u>
District 4	64		
District 5	<u>74</u>	Disbursements	\$2,589.51
	469	BALANCE	\$168.25

Expenses

Indiana Grid Coach Magazine	\$832.70
All-Star Luncheon	\$160.04
Purdue Clinic	\$705.25

Dues

\$5.00	Grades 9-12 & Allied
\$3.00	Grades 8 & Below

8/3/1974

Consideration of Executive Secretary for IFCA will be given at Richmond
Membership - Law & Belden will do a campaign in November
Tony Berto will study Constitution revision
Bob Springer appointed to Medical Committee
Nominating Committee to be appointed by Joe Talley at Richmond
Letter sent to Mr. Phil Eskew requesting IHSAA donate share of playoff
receipts to Hall of Fame
Jules Siegle will handle January 16 Hall of Fame Induction in Richmond

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	1/4 Page	\$50
	1/12 Page	\$20