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Upcoming Meeting(s)

Fall: Crawfordsville - September 28, 2002

11 AM - Board Meeting - Arthur's

12 AM - Sign viewing - National City Bank Bldg.

1 PM - Regular Meeting - Athena Center

Winter: Possible Board Meeting in Terre Haute at the time of the third Wabash Valley Classic.

The Crawfordsville meeting is being sponsored by the Montgomery County Basketball Hall of Fame. It will be held at the Athena Center (old Crawfordsville Gym). For information on speakers see page 4. Be sure to make your

own lunch arrangements.

Prior to the meeting, there will be a board meeting in Arthur's Restaurant at 111 East Main Street. For those who are interested, we will then gather on the southwest corner of Main and Washington at the National City Bank where previously set the Y.M.C.A. where the first high school basketball game in Indiana was played. This is where the sign has been posted commemorating the playing of this game. We will have a short program and picture taking.

Directions: From the south on Hwy. 231 (Washington St. in C'ville), continue north until crossing a railroad track. Then to College (first stop light). Turn right, go one block. Coming from the north on Hwy. 231, continue south thru downtown to College. Turn left. Go one block. If coming from east or west, go to Washington St. and follow above instructions. There are parking lots on the east, south and west sides of the Athena Center (old gym). If parking on the east or west DO NOT park to far north in the reserved spaces. Parking is also allowed on the streets to the east, south and west. Enter the gym by the southwest door.

Did You Know This?

In 1995 member, Jim Stinson's daughter, Jennifer, became the all-time leading career scorer in Washington state high school basketball history. She registered 2,881 points, thus breaking Kate Starbird's record of 2,753 in 1993.

Editor's Notes

At Kokomo I failed to acknowledge Don and Ruth White for their long and dedicated service to the IHSBHS, so I will do so now. They were both at the very first meeting which was called in an effort to get this organization off the ground. They have served almost continually in one way or another. Don has been a Board member for most of their seven years of service, but Ruth has been our secretary the entire time, with the exception of 2 or 3 months when cofounder Joe Quigley did the chore. They have an exceptional attendance Quigley did the chore. They have an exceptional attendance record, even with some of the physical problems that Don has had to deal with. They have continually produced the labels for the newsletter envelopes, refusing to be reimbursed and their children at one time contributed \$100 in honor of their father, because he said he didn't need anything when they tried to buy him a birthday present. This is true loyalty and dedication and the IHSBHS can't thank them enough! But THANKS just the same THANKS just the same.

Another big thank you goes to Gene Parks, Jim Callane and Kokomo High School for hosting the last get together.

There were 32 in attendance.

Even though it was hot and humid, everyone seemed to enjoy the forum. The speakers seemed at ease and gave us a few chuckles. The best one, in my opinion, had to do with Jack Colescott getting the head coaching job at Marion. I asked him how this came about, prefacing my comment this way. I said that "normally a coach at a small county school usually is able to obtain a position in a larger program by beating the big county seat powerhouse or winning a sectional or two". I wanted to know how he was able to advance to the position of head coach at Marion, since he had not won a sectional in his eight year coaching career at little Swayzee. Jack's answer was twofold.

He said Marion had been in, what was to them, a basketball drought for a number of years and the school superintendent told him they had decided to make him their next basketball coach, but that they were going to de-emphasize sports. Did he want the job? He accepted, but with the fine job he did, the

de-emphasizing certainly got lost in the shuffle.

Prior to Jack's tenure at Marion, that school had won one state title (1926). Jack probably should have won their next one in 1969 himself, but fell a point short in the semi-final game. Ironically, the guy who bested Jack in that 1969 tussle, Bill Green, replaced him as coach at Marion. M.H.S. has gone on to win six additional state titles, bested only by

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2. Howard Sharp	e 723		7 (507 - 366)	Mr Goldsherry	's total wins will stand a
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4. Marion Crawle		1937	02 - 08	further verifies	tion. If the 38 possible
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6. Jim Miller	607	1939	00 - 15	545 not the 55	32 shown by the Hall o
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8. Pat Rady	584	1941			
9. Cliff Wells	581	Lynnville	18 - 07	You I	linton No. 18
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The Evolution Of Indiana High School Basketball

Roger Robison & Harley Sheets

Part III: Growing Pains and Dilemmas

An Eventful Year

Prior to the birth of the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) we read in Parts I and II about some of the events and circumstances that had enveloped our nation. Some good, some not so good. This same scenario existed in the infant years of the IHSAA, especially in the early state tournaments.

As with all new entities, most likely there will be growing pains. Our nation had them, so did our state's high school sports overseer. Following is a chronicle of some of the occurrences which led to what turned out to be what most consider the best high school basketball tournament in the land.

David Dunbar Buick had watched son Thomas make a successful trip from Flint to Detroit and back in the Flint-Buick. The Sherman Anti-Trust Law, which had been enacted in 1890 to prevent small enterprises from being abused by huge conglomerates. was now being enforced. Native born Hoosier Wilbur Wright (Millville, Indiana) and his brother Orville had made their first successful airplane flight at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. The year was 1904 - the year the IHSAA was founded. It was a byproduct of the 1903 Richmond Agreement. Its charter members totaled fifteen.

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Alexandria Anderson Bloomington

Marion Noblesville

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Fairmount Goshen

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North Manchester Salem

Indpls. Shortridge

Huntington

Wabash

Indpls.Manual

Sponsorship and a Rocky Start In the beginning the two major sports were football and track. That there was hardly any oversight is

indicated by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction when he noted that "too often persons have entered games without being bona fide students and if victory is obtained, even by foul means, the school has congratulated itself as if the contest had been fairly won".

The first IHSAA sponsored event was the Indiana High School State Track and Field Meet held at Indiana University (I.U.) on May 14, 1904. It was to be a harbinger of the difficulties ahead in trying to police and govern high school sports. For example, the high jump winner from Lafayette cleared 5'-4". Second place went to a boy from Indpls. Manual at 5'-5". The details of this interesting verdict are in the 1904 IHSAA Handbook (pages 20-23).

In this initial year, the majority of IHSAA members played football. In 1905, President Teddy Roosevelt threatened to abolish the game due to the onset of injuries.

By 1909, the IHSAA was also considering the banning of the sport.. One high school and one collegiate player had died. Thus, fall baseball was promoted along with track and basketball. Then in 1910, the IHSAA called for football's elimination. Henceforth, by 1912, only 20 member schools were playing football.

In 1910, requests were made for a high school basketball tournament. Wisconsin (1905) and Illinois (1908) were already conducting such. The IHSAA was not interested, but on November 5, I.U. sought permission to start an annual two-day extravaganza and the IHSAA felt it unwise to oppose it.

The sponsor of the event was the Indiana University Boosters Club (IUBC) which had been formed in 1909 to lobby for a new gymnasium. At this point, Purdue University had pretty much dominated I.U. on the basketball court and had constructed their own new facility. I.U. now felt the need to "keep up with the Joneses," as was the case 30 years ago when Purdue erected Mackey Arena

The boosters' plea for a new gym seemed to have fallen on deaf ears, as basketball had not enthralled I.U.

partisans up to this point. However, and unrealized at the time, the first five years of the soon-to-be state tournament would expose I.U's inadequacy in staging such an event, due to a lack of proper facilities.

Little Attention Given

As previously announced by the State Superintendent, improprieties abounded in these infant years of the IHSAA due to a lack of oversight. Sports just didn't seem that important. Yes, there were people gaining great wealth in the industries, utilities and trades, but the majority of people were more interested in putting food on the table. Sports were not the obsession they are in today's world. Little attention was given.

In the course of world events, the following two occurrences show that society, in most cases, takes very little stock of small beginnings and usually marks them off as unimportant until they reappear later in a more significant way. Once taken as a plausible entity attention is given, measures are taken and rules applied if and when needed. Here is proof.

The Wright brothers initially were viewed as eccentric, oft times ridiculed and chastised, but soon the-whole world took note. At first, little attention was given.

In 1923, Adolph Hitler and his newly formed Nazi Party tried to overthrow the German government. This upheaval occurred in Munich and is known as the "Beer Hall Putsch". This future tyrant was given a five year sentence for treason, but the liberal Bavarian authorities released him after six months. They viewed him as a passing irritant who had been gassed during World War I, a postcard painter who had lived in poverty for most of his adult life. What a mistakel Little attention was given.

Such was the case with the IHSAA and sports at the turn of the century.

Early Violations

Examples of early problems can be seen by reading "A History of the IHSAA" by Dale Glenn, 1975 (pages 48-50). Here are some excerpts from these pages.

The first suspension occurred in 1905. The Board met to consider allegations against Lebanon High School brought forth by the Westfield High School principal, Mr. Jessop. When Westfield arrived at Lebanon for a football game, it was rumored that Lebanon would be using nonstudents.

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SPEAKER PROFILES

Dr. Charles Arvin has worked in the Crawfordsville and Richmond school systems. He graduated from Waveland High School and Indiana State. While at Waveland his coach was the legendary Montgomery County basketball coach, Cliff Davis. In his first year, at ISU, he was tutored by another legend, John Wooden. Mr. Arvin is retired. He and wife Isobel live in Crawfordsville. They have three children. Son, John, was a two year starter for Crawfordville.

Rich Douglas graduated from Darlington High School in 1970 and later from Indiana State. He is the all-time leading scorer there with 1,296 points. In his junior and senior years at Darlington, they lost but two games. One was to C'ville in the Frankfort regional and in 1970 to Lebanon in the sectional. Darlington won 54 consecutive regular season games during his career. After college, Rich was an assistant for six seasons and a head coach at Seeger for three. Presently he is a manager at DeFouw Chevrolet in Lafayette. Rich and wife Donna live near New Market. They have four children.

Candy Elzer graduated from Rossville where she was a cheerleader, then from Purdue. She is the program director of the Athena Sports and Fitness Center in Crawfordsville and the sports center in Lebanon. She and husband, Kevin, live in Lebanon and are the parents of two.

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Member Jerry Harshbarger graduated from Fountain Central in 1966 after attending Hillsboro High for three years where he played basketball. Central is a 1965 consolidation of six Fountain County schools. Jerry and approximately 60 others were cut during tryouts at the new school. Jerry is currently employed at Donnelley & Sons in C'ville. He and his wife, Wanda, live near New Ross and have two children.

Member Gary McGrady graduated from Fountain Central in 1982, then from the University of Houston. Gary never played basketball but has been a basketball fan and historian for years. Gary will tell us about his Hillsboro Wildcat basketball website. He, wife Tina and their two sons live in Hillsboro. Gary is associated with McGrady Farms.

Robert Rogers, prior to graduating in 1947, started at guard on the great 1946 C'ville team that advanced to the final eight before succumbing to the Jumpin' Johnny Wilson-led Anderson team that went on to claim the state title. He did not play basketball at Wabash College but he is one of its great fans. Bob, was a basketball official for a number of years and retired from the Crawfordsville Bank and Trust Co. He and wife Nancy live just west of C'ville and have two grown children.

David Shaw graduated from C'ville in 1960. He never played basketball, but three members of his Shaw family did play for C'ville. Clio was a starter on the 1911 state championship team. Noble was a three year starter and was named to the Indianapolis News All-State team in 1913. Fred was a sub on the 1922 edition. As a kid, Dave spent a lot of time in the old Crawfordsville YMCA, since his dad was the last owner of the building. He and wife Marcia live near Waveland and have two children. He is, at present, a teacher in the North Montgomery school system,

Member Bill Williams is a 1960 C'ville graduate. As a two-year starter he won 2 sectionals and was the second leading scorer both years under Coach Dick Baumgartner. In 1959 they were 22-4; in 1960, 16-9. Bill has worked for the Crawfordsville Journal Review and Montgomery Savings, and

was a basketball official for ten years. He presently works for Union Federal Savings & Loan. Bill and wife Judy live in Crawfordsville. Son Brian is the head basketball coach at Winamac and spoke at our last meeting in Kokomo.

Member Bob Whalen and wife Margaret graduated from C'ville in 1945. He was the first treasurer of the IHSBHS. He was the chairman of the Formation Committee of the Montgomery County Basketball Hall of Fame and president of the Board of Directors. Bob worked 41 years for Donnelly & Sons, retiring in 1987. He has published several books and has written for the Monthly Montgomery County Newspaper. He will serve as MC. Bob and Margaret have two children and five grandchildren.

Quite A Treat

Ian Naismith, the grandson of James, the inventor of basketball, was in C'ville on Wednesday, Aug 7. He is with the Naismith International Basketball Foundation. It was his first visit to Crawfordsville but said it wouldn't be his last. He was on his way to his office in Homewood, Illinois, after a stop in Indianapolis.

While in Crawfordsville, he made visits to the old and new high schools. Before he left, he spent a half-hour talking basketball with Bob Whalen. He gave Bob a package of information, and in return, Bob will mail him a package with an early history of basketball in Montgomery County. This day happened to be Bob's birthday and he said the visit was a great birthday gift.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER

Members take note. Those with "02" after your name in the membership roster, your dues were delinquent as of 6/30/02. See the box on this page in opposite lower comer for information in remitting your payment.

NEXT ISSUE

Because of the lack of space do the the enclosure of the yearly IHSBHS roster these topics will have to wait until the next issue.

- 1. More about the Hebron Green Giants book
- 2. Preheim on South Dakota basketball.
- 3. The top coaches nationally (800 & up)
- 4. Charlie Sessions and the Glenn Pirates
- 5. A possible meeting with Illinois historians

Violations - Cont. from page 3

Due to the rumors, Mr. Jessop talked to his counterpart at Lebanon, E.G. Walker, about the situation and was assured that Lebanon would abide by the rules and that he would be present prior to the beginning of the game to certify all participants. But when the game started, Walker was not on hand and shortly thereafter, a Lebanon boy by the name of Tomlinson scored a touchdown on a spectacular run. A quick check revealed that the boy had not been certified. Jessop approached the Lebanon team captain demanding that Tomlinson be removed, and offered to restart the game. The captain would not restart the game, but consented to remove Tomlinson, saying he was the only ineligible player on his team. Jessop protested but decided to con-

At halftime it was revealed that two other participants were nonstudents. An appeal to the Lebanon captain to remove them was refused because the home team did not have enough substitutes to replace them. Lebanon went on to win 12-5. After considering the evidence, the Board of Control voted to suspend Lebanon

Mr. Walker then sent a letter off stating that the Board's action was absolutely immaterial to him, that other schools were openly violating Rule 3 of the constitution, that a large number were violating Section 7, most notably Shortridge and Manual of Indianapolis, and that ainasmuch as we have not paid our dues you have no jurisdiction in the matter". So much for early oversight.

Another problem grose the following year with Peru High School. It had scheduled a home and home set with Logansport claiming it did so with the understanding that Logan was a candidate for membership. Peru later cancelled the return match when it was found that Logan had not become a member of the Association, but it was too late in the eyes of the Board. The Board stated that there was no excuse for ignorance of the rules and suspended Peru for the remainder of the season.

In 1910, Lebanon was again chastised for hiring Walter Gipe (see Ralph and Papa Bear article in the Winter 2001 Boxscore, page 5) for \$60 per month to teach physical culture and coach the basketball team two hours per week. The Board ruled that this was a violation of the spirit, if not the letter, of the

IHSAA rule against hiring coaches outside of the regular faculty. Lebanon was ordered to forfeit any further games played under this arrangement.

It should be noted that the Lebanon School Board had notified the secretary of the IHSAA, Mr. Giles, of their intent in this matter and to see if everything was okay. Mr. Giles' reply was in the affirmative. See The Lebanon Pioneer of January 6, 1910 - page 8 under the heading of May Suspend L.H.S.
Other articles in The Pioneer indicate that it was Crawfordsyille,

Lebanon's arch rival, who filed the complaint.

The same year, Brownsburg Superintendent George Reitzel claimed he did not realize it was against Association rules to play an ineligible boy against out-of-state teams. After having done so, his team was placed on probation. Ten years later, Mr. Reitzel would become President of this very same Board of Control.

In Part IV we will look at some difficulties and problems involving the first few Indiana State Basketball Tournaments.

The End

Editor's Note: Much of the information in the Dale Glenn book was taken from the annual IHSAA Handbooks. These are available for the perusal of the public in the IHSAA office at 9150 North Meridian Street in Indianapolis.

THE BARN BURNER TROPHY

Member Leigh Evans, owner of the HickoryHusker website, has an intriguing way of linking all schools together no matter what class they might be. The introduction to this part of his site goes like this.

Burner Trophy has been tracked using this

page. The trophy is awarded to the victorious team, and then must be defended each successive game with a win or passed on by a loss to the next team. Hoosier Hysteria fans of old will recognize this format as similar to the old Evansville Press "Dope Bag" traveling trophy on display at the Hall of Fame. As our great game has been some-what fractured by class basketball, here at least is one small measure that all teams can compete for in effect and once again tie all schools together.

This series started with the Austin-Crothersville game in 1998, picked because it was simply the first game of the season. Since Austin gave it up, only four schools below 4A have possessed it. Frankfort, Lebanon and Muncie South in 3A (South now 4A) and Silver Creek in 2A (now 3A).

As a matter of pride, my high school, team, the Lebanon Tigers, is the only one to take this trophy from a larger school. The Tigers (3A) defeated Lafayette Jefferson (4A) on 12/15/00, then gave it up to the Frankfort Hot Dogs (3A) on January 5, 2001 by a point on a last second shot by a Lebanon graduate's grandson. The Hot Dogs then lost it to 4A, Noblesville on January 6, 2001 by 2 points. It has remained in 4A hands since.

500 Coaches - Continued from page 2

Lebanon	
1963	16 - 06
1964	20 - 05
1965	15 - 06
1966	21 - 06
1967	11 - 10
1968	09 - 16
1969	13 - 08
1970	22 - 03
1971	17 - 07
1972	08 - 13
1973	19 - 06
1974	22 - 03
1975	24 - 03
1976	24 - 03
1977	16-07
1978	19 - 05
1979	10 - 13
1980	09 - 12
1981	07 - 14
1982	10 - 11
1983	20 - 05
1984	22 - 04
1985	17 - 07
1986	14 - 07

This is the end of the 500 elite coaches column. The IHSBHS is at this time in total agreement, give or take a win or two, with the Hall of Fame totals except for Ward Smith (not in the Hall of Fame for some unknown reason), Tom Goldsberry and Jim Rosenstihl. These three totals as shown by the Hall of Fame are definitely too high. Also, Bob Macy's total as shown by the Hall of Fame, which is in the 500s, includes college wins. That is why he has been left off of the IHS-BHS list. If Cliff Wells' total at Tulane and Everett Case's total at North Carolina State had been included in their resumes, they would both be in the top five. Alva Staggs has been omitted because some light has been shed that his early totals at the beginning of his coaching career, way back in 1915, may not be right.

Alamo by Harley Sheets

Everyone knows the thoughts that come to mind when the proper name "Alamo" is bandied about. One will probably envision the heroic efforts of Davey Crockett and his greatly outnumbered cohorts defending and dying at a mission fort in San Antonio, Texas, against a Mexican army under General Santa Anna in 1863. However, the Alamo in this tale is a very small, former

Montgomery County High School.
On Wednesday night, February 26th, this little band of Alamo Warriors almost derailed a Crawfordsville juggernaut on its way to the 1958 state championship game where they finally succumbed to Ft. Wayne South and their seven-foot

center, Mike McCoy.
C'ville already had a decent team returning from the previous year (17-9), but with the addition of Joe Krutzsch (pronounced Crutch), a move-in from nearby North Salem, they became a force to be reckned with to be reckoned with.

All of the details of why Krutzsch changed schools are not known by this author. However, this much is. North Salem was returning two starters, Joe was to be the third.

Krutzsch was no ordinary move-in. He had been the big gun in the '57 sectional, scoring 88 points in four games thus leading the little Hendricks County team to only its second sectional title -the first was in 1930. In this 1957 sectional championship game, they blew away their opponent by 34 points. They then lost to eventual runners-up Indianapolis Crispus Attucks, in the next

Krutzsch and his new teammates finished the regular season at a respectable 15-5, but they had been somewhat erratic at times. In their second game they knocked off Lebanon (52-43). Then, near the close of the season, these same 9-13 Tigers avenged the earlier loss, 64-54.

Another two-game set also illustrates the sometimes inconsistent play of these 1958 runner-up Athenians. Again early in the season, the Frankfort Hot Dogs eked out a one point win, but in a mid-season holiday tournament, the Athenians roasted the Dogs 75-49. These two examples lend some credence as to why little David Alamo, almost pulled off a monumental upset.

Other factors contributing to the Warriors' near success are that their coach Tom Bowerman had been around. a long time and had some success,

considering the odds he had to deal with. Also, the year before, his Warriors had finished at 19-2. So this year's edition (13-7) was no pushover.

In getting to the game with Alamo, C'ville had beaten a 19-2 New Market team, the school most thought had the best chance of taking out the Athenians. According to an article written by Montgomery County Historian Bob Whalen

the perception had been that C'ville would win the Alamo game with little trouble. But the game was close all the way with the Athenians leading at the first three stops, 17-15, 32-31, and 46-45. But with a little over two minutes to go, the Athenians took a six point lead. Things were looking pretty bleak

for the Warriors. However, there was evidently still some fight left as Alamo scored three baskets to C'ville's one in the next minute to bring them within two. Then, Melvin of Alamo was fouled as he scored and sank the free throw. Alamo had taken the lead, 60-59! With eight seconds left, Crawfordsville's Dick Haslam (the soon-to-be Trester Award winner) was fouled. He made the first! Missed

In the extra session Burget (C'ville) scored. Reath (Alamo) answered. Tied! Neither team scored as they slowed the tempo. Then as time ran out, the new boy in town, Joe Krutzsch, scored. But a little monkey had scared the daylights out of King Kong,

the second. OVERTIME!

Perhaps just reading the account of this game doesn't do justice to the fantastic effort of this small school that never did win a sectional title. But looking at the following 1958 Crawfordsville tournament slate will.

These Athenians in three consecutive games took out Lafayette, East Chicago and Muncie - schools that have annexed 13 state titles thru 2002. Ft. Wayne South, in '58, won its second Crawfordsville was seeking its second.

SECTIONAL	
New Market	57-46
Alamo (overtime)	64-62
Linden	78-49
Waveland	59-43
REGIONAL	
Rockville	70-38
Attica	85-41
SEMI STATE	
Lafayette Jeff	61-41
E. Chi. Wash.	70-59
<u>STATE</u>	
Muncie Central	53-45
Ft. Wayne South	34-63

The Alamo starters played the entire game. Crawfordsville used two subs. Here is the boxscore for the game.

ALAMO		CRAWFORDS	SVILLE
Melvin	9-4-4	Walker	5-0-4
Reath	10-3-4	Krutzsch	9-6-1
Rush	1-1-4	Burget	6-2-1
Hutchison	3-0-0	Willanson	1-0-0
Beatty	3-2-2	Haslam	4-2-2
		Jouris	1-0-3
		Ewoldt	1-0-1
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Editor's note: Some of the information on this epic Montgomery County high school basketball game was taken from "Greatest CHS Basketball Games" by Bob Whalen.

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Muncie Central's eight. Another irony in this story is that Jack's son, Dave,

was the star of two championships (1975 and 1976) under Green.
Ken Craig spoke of Chet Hill, who had won several state track titles at had won several state track titles at Kokomo after having won a state basketball title in 1915 at Thorntown. Craig, being affiliated with Kokomo High for many years, also knew Joe Platt, who had coached K.H.S. to its only state basketball championship in 1961. Platt evidently was a pretty tough hombre, but Craig commented that in all of the years that he had known Platt, the only one that he had heard him call Mister was Chet Hill. Craig also made known that Mr. Hill heard him call Mister was Chet Hill. Craig also made known that Mr. Hill from the hills of Orange County is the only individual that has been inducted into basketball (1965), the track (1976) and the football (1978) Indiana High School Halls of Fame.

Cliff Johnson commented that cohost Gene Parks has always been his roll model. Quite a compliment!

Brian Williams impressed me with

Brian Williams impressed me with his humility. Said he had not played much basketball in high school and was fortunate and honored to be the coach at Winamac. He honored his mother and father and said he followed theirs and the every large the severy to be severy to be said the severy large the severy to be se and the examples of others to become what he is today. He told a humorous story about fellow member and contemporary Basil Mawbey. Coaches are to meet prior to each game. Basil asked the referees to be excused from one between himself and Brian. The reason given was laryngitis. This was allowed but Brian stated that during the game, Basil's malady seemed to have disappeared, because his voice was loud and clear loud and clear.

It was also quite intriguing and interesting to hear Mark Masariu's comments on the experiences in his

refereeing career.

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