



## February 2007 RASO Newsletter

Next RASO meeting is Tues Mar. 6 @ 7:00pm @ ISC

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**February Attendance** 11 Members: (on a cold and blustery night) Tom Giglio, Dave Brandt, Gary Kardell, Todd Brokhausen, Michael Easton, Tim Keating, Gerry Hundt, Lou Spencer, Ken Valentine (very briefly), Dominic Ferrara, Jon Gonder.

**Education:** Dave Brandt passed out a USSF document, which was a 'recertification pretest' issued by Paul Rojas, the Illinois SRI (State Referee Instructor) covering many scenarios which require thought and interpretation. This was designed for refreshers to take this exam personally before going to their respective 2007 refresher clinics. While not a requirement, this test was composed of 20 questions of which the group answered 10 in a forum style discussion. It will be posted on the RASO website shortly.

**Secretary's Report:** No report.

**Treasurer's Report:** No report.

**USSF** Gerry Hundt reported that all RPD and International League indoor games have been assigned, with the exception of the RPD league and International League playoffs. Spring availability sheets for both Dave Brandt and Gerry Hundt will be available by the upcoming clinics and they will be subsequently posted on the RASO website.

### **USSF Referee entry/refresher Clinics:**

You **MUST** sign up through the IYSA website ([www.iysa.org](http://www.iysa.org)) in advance of a clinic date. Should the registration be closed for either of the upcoming clinics, please show up at the clinic and the instructors will do their best to accommodate you.

There are two clinics are scheduled in Rockford:

February 10-11 in the Sportscore I (ONE) Pavillion Registration 8:30, clinic 9-5 both days  
(Refreshers only need to attend the second day of the beginner clinics)

February 17- REFRESHER only. Fitness test in bubble at Hononegah HS 9AM-10:30 AM  
Classroom 11AM – 4PM at Paperchine in Rockton

You must pre-register at [www.IYSA.org](http://www.IYSA.org) for a clinic. If you can not pre-register (or forgot to do so), come to the clinic and they will try to accommodate you.

### **IHSA Girls Soccer Assignments.**

Carlyn Brandt has the NIC 9 dates for the spring. She will be working on assignments as in the past. Usually phone calls to officials work the best. Does she know your availability?

Ron Scott has sent an email regarding game availability. Updates are sent from time to time. Again, does he know your availability?

**Thunder Game:** Michael O'Flarerty, part owner of the Thunder, issued an invitation to attend the Feb. 17 game. RASO members will get in for the reduced price of \$8.00 (normally \$10) **AND** RASO will reimburse the member an additional \$3 with a ticket stub from the game. 7:30 game time on February 17

**Discussion:** Harold Winne has accepted an employment contract in Peoria, IL which will require him to be out-of-town during each work week; thus he is contacting referees to cover the games in which he has been assigned.

Meeting adjourned.