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Letter from the President

Larry Voorhees, Voorhees TKD 5th Dan

Greetings, Sirs and Ma'ams:

I'm hopeful that you are all enjoying a wonderful summer. Speaking for our household, I know that while we had resolved early on that we would slow down, be less busy, and simply spend more time enjoying each other's company this summer, that resolve disintegrated within a couple of weeks....or was it days? In any event, life in our household continues at warp 9. Mrs. V and I were able to break away for 5 days at the end of June to celebrate our 10th wedding anniversary with a trip to Mackinaw Island, which is where we spent our honeymoon.

So what has been going on in the SIBBA world? A great deal, as usual. As I'm sure you'll see elsewhere in this newsletter in the report by the Scoreboard Coordinator, the SIBBA Cabinet has taken a major shift in philosophy and approach to the subject of electronic scoreboards, rental, usage, and the like in the past few months. Not that this shift has magically come about just in the past few months, but the decisions that we have made recently are a result of our careful analysis of the needs of our membership, and the realities that are a part of our landscape today. Originally, the idea of creating, marketing, renting and selling a cutting-edge electronic scoring system was a primary focus of this organization. It was seen as a way to position the group on solid, on-going financial footing. With the obsolescence of the system we designed, coupled with the inconsistency of being able to provide solid, dependable systems around the Midwest and across the country on an ever-increasing basis, we moved late last year to a position where we were replacing our older systems with the newest possible technology. We first saw that improvement when we purchased 4 sets of the Ringmaster scoring system, and used them for the first time at the State Qualifier tournament this year. The focus of the SIBBA has shifted from being a group that provides scoring systems to becoming "the" premier group for evaluating and critiquing electronic scoring systems that are currently on and/or emerging in the marketplace. Our experience in developing our own system, coupled with our outstanding cadre of referees, positions us well to assume this role.

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Along those same lines, we have decided to no longer rent the scoring systems out to entities outside the Pak family of instructors on a regular basis. Instead, we will provide scoreboards and technicians to man them for whatever tournament that is run by an SIBBA member in good standing that requests them, **at no cost** to the tournament director. If the tournament director would like to make a donation to the SIBBA after the tournament, it would be greatly appreciated; however, it is neither required nor expected. The only thing the SIBBA requires is that the technical crew that is sent along is provided meals for the day. In short, making electronic scoring available to the members of the SIBBA is a service that we are willing to provide to our membership.

Any tournament director who is a member of the SIBBA in good standing, and wishes to use the scoring systems, please contact Mr. Patrick Weaver, our Electronic Scoreboards Coordinator at: scoreboards@sibba.org.

At the June Cabinet meeting, the Cabinet also adopted the proposed amendment to the By-Laws creating four Permanent Standing Committees: Membership, Electronic Scoreboards, Webmaster/Technology, and Instructor Certification/Continuing Education. The intent in creating these four Permanent Standing Committees and the Chairs of these committees is to create some continuity in programming, even when there is a change in administration. Currently, the four appointed Chairs of these committees are Dr. Doug Frazer (Membership Coordinator), Mr. Patrick Weaver (Electronic Scoreboards Coordinator), Mr. Lane Swalve (Webmaster), and Master Jill Hegland (ICCE Coordinator).

Dr. Frazer has let the Cabinet know that after serving the organization in the capacity of Membership Coordinator for the past 2 years, he is stepping down from that position as of September 1st. The Cabinet is currently searching for an individual who is willing to take on that responsibility. If you are interested in becoming the Membership Coordinator, please let me or one of the other Cabinet members know no later than August 1st, so that we can add you to the list for consideration. The appointment of a new Membership Coordinator will take place at our August 16th Cabinet meeting.

One other item that we have firmed up is a new fund-raiser that we're trying this year. The SIBBA will be sponsoring a water stand during RAGBRAI. On Wednesday of "RAGBRAI week" (July 23rd), we will have a water stand along the route, selling bottles of water to RAGBRAI participants. Our goal is to make at least \$1,000 on this fund-raiser, and hopefully it will become an annual part of our fund-raising agenda in the future. If ANYONE in the membership would be willing to give up their day on Wednesday, July 23rd, and help out with running this water stand, please contact me immediately. At the moment, we have 6 people who have volunteered to give up their entire day to help with this. We could definitely use more help.

Finally, our Webmaster has increased the functionality and ease of updating part of the membership database on the website. While you have had the capability of updating your own personal information on-line for quite some time, Mr. Swalve has also linked the Referee Database to the Membership Database, so that now, everyone can update his or her own Referee information on-line. I urge those of you who are referees to go out to the website and update that information as soon as you can, so that we have a complete and accurate listing of our referees. This is helpful not only to our family members when we're setting up tournaments, but to us on the Cabinet when we receive inquiries and requests from tournament directors around the country.

I urge you to be in communication with your delegates. We are in the finalization stages of putting together workshops and seminars for this fall, and your delegates need your input in order to be able to present the workshops and seminars that you want to see and be a part of. In reading the other articles, I am hopeful that you are seeing a transformation of this organization.

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A transformation from merely a social and scholarship organization to one that is a service organization. Primarily a service organization to its membership, but ultimately, a service organization to martial artists across the state, and eventually, one that provides valued service to the martial arts community of the nation. In order to continue that transformation and to continually be stepping out in ways that truly do "serve the membership", we need to be constantly hearing from you.

The members of your Cabinet look forward to the continued improved communication that we have been enjoying with you, and we look forward to seeing you at upcoming events.

Sincerely,
Larry Voorhees, President
SIBBA

Report from the At- Large Delegate

Mike Wickham 3rd Dan

News from the At Large Delegate....

Welcome to summer, we're halfway through the year so I can only hope that those new years resolutions are being followed???

From a martial arts standpoint if you haven't made any new years resolutions, then welcome to the procrastination club, and we can set a few for the rest of the year...how about these.

- 1) referee a tournament, never been a referee, then maybe its time to start, and there are a couple tournaments coming soon.
- 2) find out how you can make a donation to help those that are collegiate, to getting them to the NCTA's this fall in Seattle. I am sure a call to either Patrick Weaver, or Irene Faass would be a place to start and they can help direct you where to make that donation.
- 3) back to #1, still an uncertified referee, then try and find a seminar. The USTU website usually lists locations, try and get an upgrade, or if you're uncertified, go to a D3.
- 4) Have a seminar idea??? let me know!!!

Miscellaneous notes.....Governors Cup came off great, wonderful tournament, great to see so many participate.....best of luck at Iowa Games for those in Judo and Taekwondo, wish I could be there.....lets look forward to the Battle of Van Meter, and ISU Championships for fall, entry information am sure will be coming soon.....Senior Nationals in New Orleans was fun, congratulations to those from Iowa that medalled in all divisions, we did have a few.....just got back from Junior Olympics in Orlando, what a big Iowa turnout, had to be around 40 players that went down, great turnout for being so far away, guess we need to get ready for Atlanta next year.....

If you have anything that I can help with please let me know, otherwise I will see you in Van Meter

Mike Wickham
3rd Dan- Collins Taekwondo

Report from the Hapkido Delegate

Mani Mina

Greetings from your Hapkido delegate. I hope this report finds you all well, happy and active in martial art activities.

In June 27 and 28 2003, SIBBA HKD program was lucky to work with two of the instructors from UC Berkley Hapkido program (Drs. Link and Noriega, Dr. Noriega is currently doing a post Doc at NJ and has a club there). They were invited by ISU club to conduct a two-day seminar. We had more than 20 people from different styles participating in the seminars. It was a great time to learn, visit some old friends and work with them for couple of days. We have participants from Ames, Iowa City, Omaha, and Minneapolis. The seminar was educational, the instructors Drs. Link and Noriega were wonderful and our participation was exciting and energetic.

I would like to take this opportunity to announce an upcoming seminar organized by Iowa Hapkido at Iowa City. The seminar is to take place on Saturday and Sunday Oct 18 and 19th by the invited instructor Master Richard Hackworth. Topics covered will include Ki development and knife defenses. Iowa Hapkido under Master Hayes organizes this seminar. You can find more about Iowa Hapkido by visiting the following site <http://www.iowahapkido.org>. For more information please contact Master Hayes.

As we know we are in the middle of a series of Hapkido demonstrations. This is to promote our art and to get a chance to have different clubs work together and show their developments. Our last demonstration at Iowa Governor's Cup was fun and successful. We have Master Hegland and Family Martial Arts Center as well as ISU Club participating. I would like to thank everyone for his or her great cooperation and wonderful attitude. It is a true pleasure to be associated with the Hapkido program at SIBBA.

The next Demo will be at the Iowa Games. See you there. Please feel free to contact me if you or your program would like to participate at any of the demos we would love to have you there.

Please make sure that your Dojang and contact information at the SIBBA directory is updated. If you know of a program that is not updated please contact the director and see if we can help to update their information.

Finally we would like to make sure that each member of SIBBA feels a part of the association. We would like to work together and make SIBBA a truly unique, exciting, dynamic and beneficial partnership for all members and associated programs. You are always welcome write me or any of the delegates if you have questions, ideas, concerns, etc. I would like to go even further and reach out to every member and ask you to drop me, or any of your delegates, a line and let us know what you think and what you would like to see from SIBBA. I believe we should all feel responsible to suggest our ideas, and help to make the association better. As members if we are contacting your delegates, writing to the president, or attending our meetings. Every member is welcome to the meetings.

It is a true honor to represent the HKD program for SIBBA and I would like to thank all of the participants, practitioners not satisfied with any event or activity, we need to let our opinion be heard. This can be done by, and supporting friends. There is nothing that makes me happier than hearing from you. The best way to contact me would be via email. hapkido@sibba.org or mani@manimina.com, you can also leave me messages at 515 294-3918. I look forward to hearing from you.

Looking forward to a great year, and seeking your help and cooperation

Mani Mina

Report from the TaeKwonDo Delegate

Holly Bignall

Dear Sirs and Ma'ams,

Well, summer is in full swing and I hope you are all enjoying it! The past few months have been full with tournaments, which many of us have been busy attending, competing in, coaching, and/or refereeing. Thanks to all of you for making them a success. As we all look to the fall, be sure you go to the SIBBA web site and mark your calendars with upcoming tournaments and events.

Since Master Voorhees has covered most of the developments relevant to TKD in his article, I won't bore you with repetition. Instead, I'll confine myself to harping on Dojang owners, again, about the Dojang directory. PLEASE fill out a Dojang Directory form. It's free advertising for you and an immensely helpful service to our membership and your students. The form is available at tournaments and testing. Just see me or another SIBBA cabinet member. Please fill one out. Our service is only as good as our information. If we don't get more Dojangs on the list soon, I'll have to resort to harassing you individually about it! ;)

In addition, we are currently working on the annual SIBBA symposium. Thank you to the many of you who have already made suggestions. If anyone has more ideas or talents that you would like to share at the symposium, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Holly Bignall TKD delegate
SIBBA

Electronic Scoreboard Coordinator

Patrick Weaver

Sirs and Ma'ams –

The new RingMaster Taekwondo scoring system is up and running beautifully. Of the four RingMaster systems the SIBBA is currently running at local tournaments, we've experienced relatively few technical difficulties or glitches. The First Annual Iowa Governor's Cup was a great success and we're looking forward to seeing both the new RingMaster Scoring System and the older ISU systems in use on July 20th at the 2003 Iowa Games.

If you have any questions about the SIBBA Taekwondo Scoring systems, please send me an e-mail at scoreboards@sibba.org and I would be happy to respond.

I would also like to take a moment to thank our scoreboard techs Dr. Mani Mina and Ms. Oesa Walker. They've both helped more than I could have ever asked for and continue to be great assets to our organization. Thank you both.

Have a great day and I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming martial arts events.

Patrick Weaver
Electronic Scoreboard Coordinator

Attention E-Mail Users

Those of you that are currently subscribed to the black belts or instructors e-mail lists recently received a message detailing changes we've made to these lists, the most important being new names for both of them. The new names are blackbelts@iastate.edu and pakfamilyinstructors@iastate.edu. Please make sure you update your address books with these new addresses.

Additionally, these new lists allow users to add or remove themselves without sending "please remove" e-mails to the rest of the list. For example, if you wanted to add or remove yourself from the black belts e-mail list, here's what you would do:

To Subscribe (Add yourself):

Send an e-mail to blackbelts-request@iastate.edu.

Subject: subscribe

Body: subscribe

To Unsubscribe (Remove yourself):

Send an e-mail to blackbelts-request@iastate.edu.

Subject: unsubscribe

Body: unsubscribe

One last important note: If you wish to post a message to the list, you MUST send it from the e-mail address that is subscribed to that e-mail list. You can only send messages to one of these two lists if you are a member of that list. This change came in response to the many virus warnings we've received in the past few months. With this security measure in place, we will be able to limit the messages that are sent to this list.

If you have any questions or concerns, please e-mail owner-blackbelts@iastate.edu or owner-pakfamilyinstructors@iastate.edu.

Judo Delegate

Jim Malloy

There was no report from the Judo Delegate at the time of printing.

Secretary's Report

Sherry Bourlon

I would like to thank Master Pak for a great time at the first Governor's Cup Tournament. Several of my students and myself attended. For two of them it was their first tournament. They had a great time and can't wait for the next tournament.

Sherry Bourlon
2nd Dan

Treasurer's Report

Wendi Prince 1st Dan Recommend

I encourage anyone who has any questions regarding myself, the treasurer's position, duties, or questions regarding our investments to please contact me at treasurer@sibba.org. I am also the contact for Poom'se Videos, Terminology Audio Cassettes, replacment name tags and SIBBA Referee Ties. Please contact me if you need to purchase these items.

Treasurer's Report June/July 2003

As of July 14, 2003

Personal SIBBA Accounts

Checking Account	\$1112.99
Savings Account	\$403.59
Jared Ringstad Account	\$4,123.49
CD	\$5,187.50
CD	\$5,406.22

Mutual Funds

Investment Company of America	\$9,442.69
Washington Mutual	\$9,270.52

Total Funds \$34,947.00

Inventory	Quantity	Retail Value	Retail Cost
Ties	60	\$1,450	\$25.00 each
Video Tapes	7	\$175	\$20.00 each
Audio Tapes	77	\$385	\$5.00 each

ATTENTION MEMBERS: The following items are available from the treasurer: New SIBBA logo name tags - \$10.00; Membership card holders - free; SIBBA Ties - \$25.00; TKD terminology tape - \$5.00 plus \$0.50 postage and handling; WTF TAEKWONDO POOMSE VIDEO - \$ 20.00

Membership Information In order for us to fulfill the goals of education and scholarship set by Master Pak and the founders of the SIBBA, the continuing support of our members is necessary. Instructors who are members may have their students' promotions recognized by the SIBBA. This is especially important for an instructor when a student is testing for 1st Dan or higher. The SIBBA strongly suggests that **all** instructors make sure their own memberships are current. If you plan to test for 2nd Dan or higher, you are strongly encouraged to pay for annual SIBBA dues missed since your last testing. This policy has the support of Grandmaster Pak and the Cabinet.

Membership Dues are as follows: Adult - \$30 Student (age 17- college) - \$15 Junior (until age 16) - \$15 Alumni (not active with a Pak Organization Club) - \$15 Family - \$60 Affiliate (non Black Belt) - \$15 Lifetime - Individual \$300 or Family \$600 (installment pay plan available) NOTE TO ALL INSTRUCTORS: The dues are for one year (January through December) and are not to be prorated for part of a year.

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SIBBA CABINET 2003

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Calendar of Events

July	1-5	USTU Junior Olympics
	18-20	Iowa Games Judo and Taekwondo, Ames, IA
	25-26	ISU Promotional Testing, Ames, IA
Aug.		It's gonna get hot! ☺
Sept.	7	Battle of Van Meter TKD Tournament
	27	ISU TKD Championships

Cabinet Meetings

March 1, 5-7 PM, Room 233, Memorial Union (organizational meeting)
April 26, 5-7 PM, Ames, Memorial Union
June 13, 7 PM, DSM - Yellow Banks Park
August 16, 10 AM, DSM - President Voorhees' home
October 11, 5-7 PM, Ames - Memorial Union
December 6, 5-7 PM, Ames - Memorial Union
January 24, 2004, 10 AM, DSM - Archie Brooks Community Center
February 14, 2004, 4 PM, Ames, General Meeting and Election - Memorial Union

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Application Form

DUES: Family - \$60
Non-Student (no longer enrolled in school) - \$30
Student (age 17 through college) - \$15
Junior (through age 16) - \$15
Alumni (not active with Pak Organization Club- \$15
Affiliate Membership (non-Black belt) - \$15
Lifetime Membership - \$300/individual \$600/family
New Member _____ Renewal _____ (circle one)

The dues are for one year (January through December). Dues are tax-deductible.

Name _____ Birthdate _____ Age _____

Address _____ New Address
yes ___ no ___

city state zip e-mail _____

Telephone: (H) (_____) _____ (W) (_____) _____

Are you a / Martial Artist / Friend / Family (circle one)

TaeKwonDo / Judo / Hapkido / Other _____ Rank _____ Received _____ / _____
(circle one) mo. / yr.

Name of Instructor _____ Club _____

Are you teaching? ___yes ___no Where? _____

How many students? _____ What ranks? _____

*****AN OATH OF MEMBERS*****

1. We as members, train our spirits and bodies according to the strict code of martial arts etiquette.
2. We as members, are united in mutual friendship.
3. We as members, will comply with the regulations and obey the instructors.

Signature

Date

Make checks payable to: S.I.B.B.A.

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