



Patriot Game Pregame Photo

# Northern Sports Officials Association

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1. Congrats to the many members that have received fall MHSAA Playoff Assignments.
2. NSOA Member John Irwin will be retiring from officiating following this season. John has been an official for 29 years. John will finish his career with his last game at Ford Field. Congrats to John on his Finals Assignment.
3. Basketball Season is just around the corner. What are you doing to prepare for the season?

## Thanks to Barb For her many years of service to NSOA

### Save the Date – Dec 17

On December 17, 2016 7 pm at the Traverse City St. Francis Basketball, we will present Barb with an award for her many years of service to the Northern Sports Officials Association. Shhhh! It is still a secret.

### NSOA Gear

NSOA has partnered with Britten Banners for NSOA gear. To purchase items please visit:

<http://www.brittenthreads.com/pride-packs/northern-sports-officials-association/>

Items can be purchased now until Dec 1<sup>st</sup>. Items can then be picked up 10 -14 days later at the Cass St.

Location. This is a great Christmas Gift.

### Officials Recruitment

NSOA is still recruiting new officials for all sports. Please talk to your friends, coworkers, neighbors and try to recruit new members. There is no secret that there is a major shortage in all sports. Please do your part to help recruit new members. NSOA President Bill Parker and Former President Barb Beckett attended an MHSAA summit on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 to talk to current high school seniors about officials recruitment.

### News Letter Help Needed

This is our first attempt at a news letter to keep you as members informed on what is happening in your association. If this is something that you think you would be interested in helping with, please let NSOA President Bill Parker know. Please get involved in your association.



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