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New PIAA Statewide Girls' Lacrosse Interpreter Announced

MECHANICSBURG, PA: The Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) is pleased to announce the selection of Karen F. Blaine, Kutztown, PA as its new Statewide Interpreter in the sport of Girls' Lacrosse. Blaine assumes these duties immediately which were as the result of the recent retirement of Joan Wagner, West Chester, PA who had served with distinction in this capacity since the sport was adopted by PIAA.

A graduate of Shippensburg University, Blaine has been a PIAA registered official for over a decade in the sports of Field Hockey and Girls' Lacrosse. Blaine is no stranger to PIAA and its Girls Lacrosse history having served as the first Chapter President for the Lehigh Valley Chapter of Girls' Lacrosse Officials. She is currently a member of the Philadelphia Board Chapter of PIAA Girls' Lacrosse Officials.

Blaine is an active training official for many Girls' Lacrosse groups in and around Pennsylvania. She is also considered the interscholastic authority for Girls' Lacrosse in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Further information regarding PIAA activities may be found at www.piaa.org

ABOUT PIAA: Beginning in Pittsburgh, on December 29, 1913, PIAA was given the privilege of serving its member schools and registered officials by establishing policies and adopting contest rules that emphasize the educational values of interscholastic athletics, promote safe and sportsmanlike competition and provide uniform standards for all interscholastic levels of competition.