

# BOYERTOWN AREA WRESTLING ASSOCIATION

## 2007-08 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The Boyertown Area Wrestling Association (BAWA) is an organization created for the purpose of supporting the entire wrestling program in the Boyertown Area School District and promoting its development into a state and national caliber program.



**BAWA Membership \$25 (Nov. 1, 2007 to Oct. 31, 2008)**

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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**I am interested in volunteering to help with these committees:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising     | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations     | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Tournament | <input type="checkbox"/> Website              | <input type="checkbox"/> Hall of Fame   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising     | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs/Media Guide | <input type="checkbox"/> Wrestling Room |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bear Duals      |   |   |

Mail completed applications with check, payable to  
**Boyertown Area Wrestling Association** to:

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Barto, PA 19504      Phone: (610) 844-1196

**[www.BASHwrestling.com/BAWA](http://www.BASHwrestling.com/BAWA)**



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## What is BAWA?

BAWA's role is to provide support for the entire Boyertown Wrestling program which is completely different and will not conflict with the other Boyertown Wrestling organizations such as the Senior High Parents Association and the Boyertown Youth Wrestling Demons; rather, it will enhance them. In other words, BAWA's intention is to draw on the various community resources such as the skills and knowledge of the wrestling alumni and other fans in our area. In addition, we want to create a consistency in all levels of wrestling, thereby making it easier for the wrestlers to progress and reach their potential. Most importantly, to help raise the funds needed to finance our various projects. Therefore, we welcome members from all areas of our community, especially those who are also involved with the HS Parents Association and the Youth Club. This will help create the continuity that is vital to any successful wrestling program.



## BAWA's Goals

Our goals include the building of a wrestling room, running tournaments such as the Bear Duals, hiring more coaches, maintaining the BASHwrestling.com website, offering financial assistance to wrestlers to go to events that would otherwise be unaffordable, organizing and running wrestling clinics for Boyertown wrestlers, and generally supporting all levels of Boyertown wrestling in any way possible.

## History of BAWA

For a number of years, the concept of an all-inclusive umbrella organization had been discussed by several coaches in the district. One of the first attempts to create this organization occurred in 2001-02 when the youth program and the high school parents association met to discuss merging the two. Although that did not work out, the seed had been planted.

During the 2003-04 season, the high school coaches had discussed the desire to create, organize and run a dual meet tournament at Boyertown Area Senior High. However, such an event requires large numbers of volunteers and support from the community. Thus, while the tournament was being organized, so was BAWA. By April 2004, all 10 teams for the 1st Annual Bear Duals were set as was the first meeting of BAWA. On June 22, 2004, BAWA was officially incorporated as a non-profit organization. Then, on February 9, 2005, BAWA was officially approved as a 501c3 tax exempt non-profit organization.