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Official Newsletter of the Masters Basketball Association



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## The November COO Report



*First I hope all our Team Organizers, Players and Friends of the MBA had a wonderful Thanksgiving with family and friends as we launch the 2015 holiday season.*

*For those of you who like an early start and want to lock up your spot in the 2016 tournament, I am happy to report that the [Enter Your Team] tab on the MBA web site has been updated and we are ready to accept team entries for 2016. Just click on the tab and follow the instructions. Remember, you can send your Uniform Deposit by separate check, so your cash is not tied up. We DO NOT deposit those checks. Your check will be returned after the tournament minus any fines.*

*We also have updated the [Team Organizers Handbook]. There are some new polices that the board has implemented, so even if you are an experienced Team Organizer, I strongly recommend that you read through this material.*

*We have recruited an outstanding person to be our Keynote Speaker at the 2016 Welcome Banquet. More about this exciting development in future newsletters.*

*As always, give us a call or send an e-mail if you have any questions.*

*Regards,*

**Dave Hulett**

Chief Operating Officer

**MBA MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT**

**JORDAN KLEMOW - TEAM ORGANIZER**



National Masters Championships  
Coral Springs, Florida

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#### **How many years have you been involved with the MBA?**

Six years as a team organizer

#### **How did you get started as a team organizer?**

I have been fortunate to be active in the South Florida basketball community for over 30 years as a player, sponsor, and supporter at various levels of competition. Through basketball, I have made wonderful relationships at every level with players of all age groups. An impromptu lunch was scheduled with Wali Jones, Rich Moore, Jerry Shore and Marshall Brown many years ago and that's when I decided to get involved to provide support to our local contingent and tournament.

#### **What do you like most about being a team organizer?**

It's all about providing a quality experience for our players, their family and friends that take time to come from all over the country to participate and support our tournament.

#### **What advice would you give to anyone considering being a team organizer?**

It is gratifying to put a group of players on the court that grow together as a team as the tournament week progresses. At times it may be difficult to recruit players to join your team; however, if your sole focus is on the players and their enjoyable experience, the players will find you and look forward to being a part of your group.

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## HUMBERTO FLOREZ MBA VIDEOGRAPHER/PHOTOGRAPHER

A month before last year's tournament, Dave Hulett was having a casual conversation with his friend Humberto Florez about the tournament. After checking out the MBA web site, Humberto told Dave that he'd like to volunteer his services

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to produce videos and pictures to help document and promote the MBA. The images on the MBA Facebook page from the 2015 event are courtesy of Humberto and he's also setup a YouTube page for the MBA. He recently uploaded a special highlight video featuring one of our division MVPs.



Humberto Florez

[Click Here to visit our MBA TV YouTube page](#)

[Click Here to view Photographs from the 2015 tournament](#)

Humberto also is the Official Videographer for the very talented musical group, the "Brazilian Voices". Formed fifteen years ago, this group of over twenty women with Brazilian backgrounds, is considered one of the most outstanding groups singing Brazilian Blues and Bosa Nova. We encourage you to take a look at some their performance videos that Umberto has produced for them. [Click Here](#) for the Brazilian Voices YouTube page.

We want to thank Humberto for the outstanding work he has done to help promote the National Masters Championships and we look forward to sharing more of his work in the near future.

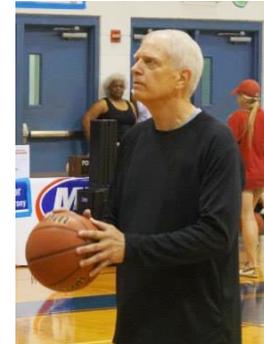
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## KEEPING UP WITH YOUR MBA ALUMS

**Harry Carothers** who's played for Old School Legends was featured in a story by Bright House Sports Network / Bay News 9 in Tampa.

[Click Here to see the video.](#)

[Click Here to read the story.](#)



Harry Carothers

### More FIMBA News

There's been considerable positive stories to come from the recent FIMBA event which featured many of our MBA Alums. We have one more to share with you from Huffington Post. [Click Here to read the story.](#)

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We want to see your throwback photos! Please share with us photos from your early playing days.

