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On behalf of the selection committee, I am proud to announce Braxton Williams from Greater Iowa Chapter as the Week 2 Winner of the 2023 Terry Vaughn NISOA Referee of the Week presented by Official Sports.

Braxton resides in Cedar Rapids, Iowa; he was nominated by Greater Iowa Chapter President, Phil Watson based on his professionalism on & off the field and his performances on the field during this 2-week nomination period.

In Phil's words: "In the short time that Braxton has been a member of GIC, he has impressed with his professionalism and dedication to refereeing, resulting in appointments at the Division 1 level. Braxton, continues to put in the work at all levels of refereeing with his commitment to attend clinics and seminars at the high school, youth, and the college level."

"This recognition is fully deserved as I see in Braxton the embodiment of the qualities that Terry Vaughn incorporated into his illustrious career."

During this nomination period, Braxton officiated 3 matches, at the NCAA Division I & III level, in the Referee and Assistant Referee position.

Braxton joined NISOA in 2021 and had worked as an Assistant Referee in two NCAA Division III playoff matches. He currently serves as Chapter Treasurer of his local organization for USSF and NFHS matches. Braxton is a USSF Regional Referee and was honored to represent Iowa at the USYS and USASA National Championships this past summer.

Braxton is a 2-year letterwinner at Northwestern College and holds the career goal scoring record for Iowa High School Athletic Association with 131 goals.

When not refereeing, Braxton is a full-time elementary teacher and high school soccer coach.

Congratulations Braxton,

Lance VanHaitsma

**NISOA Senior Director of Operations** 

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