



michigan high school athletic association

media information

1661 ramblewood drive east lansing, mi 48823 517.332.5046 fax-517.332.4071 www.mhsaa.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 28, 2008

Contact: John Johnson or Andy Frushour

517.332.5046 or media@mhsaa.com

MHSAA Web Site Media Page: www.mhsaa.com/media

29th Annual Officials Awards & Alumni Banquet Scheduled For May 10

EAST LANSING, Mich. – April 28 – High school game officials with 20, 30, 40, 45 and 50-years of service will be honored at the Michigan High School Athletic Association's 29th Annual Officials' Awards & Alumni Banquet on May 10 at the Lansing Sheraton Hotel at 7 p.m.

Five officials with 50 or more years of service will be honored, along with 13 officials with 45 years. A 40-year award will be presented to 31 officials. In addition, 188 officials with 20 years, and 126 officials with 30 years, of experience, will be honored. With the induction of this year's group of 356, the honor roll of officials who have aided young student-athletes grows to 7,211 since the inception of the banquet in 1980.

The banquet will also feature the announcement of the 2008 recipient of the Vern L. Norris Award. The honor, named for the former MHSAA executive director, will be presented to an official with more than 20 years of experience who has been active in their local officials' association, has mentored other officials and has been involved in officials' education.

This year's banquet will again feature brief multimedia presentations prior to the introduction of each group of recipients, with historical highlights from 1988, 1978, 1968, 1963 and 1958.

Tickets for the banquet are available to the public and are priced at \$15.00. Tickets will not be sold at the door. For additional information, contact Faye Verellen at 517-332-5046.

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by over 1,800 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools which exists to develop common rules for athletic eligibility and competition. No government funds or tax dollars support the MHSAA, which was the first such association nationally to not accept membership dues or tournament entry fees from schools. Member schools which enforce these rules are permitted to participate in MHSAA tournaments, which attract approximately 1.6 million spectators each year.

-0-

(NOTE – A complete listing of officials to be honored, in alphabetical order by city, is included in this release. We hope you will recognize any individuals from your area who have contributed over the years to interscholastic athletics. If you are interested in attending the banquet, contact Faye Verellen at the MHSAA office for complimentary tickets.)

RL08-075

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

20, 30 & 40-YEAR OFFICIALS

The officials on this list will receive their 20, 30, 40, 45 or 50-year service awards at the 28th annual Officials' Awards & Alumni Banquet at the Lansing Sheraton Hotel on May 12.

20 YEAR OFFICIALS

Ada - Ken Miller
Adrian - Alan Ellerholz
Adrian - Carl Harsh
Adrian - James Hill
Allen Park - James Garofalo
Allen Park - Timothy Turgyan
Alpena - Philip Heath
Ann Arbor - Curtis Howard
Ann Arbor - Godwin Okonkwo
Au Train - Kendall Apelgren
Augusta - Bruce Bournay

Baraga - James Dompier
Bark River - Joe Knauf
Battle Creek - Dave Morgan
Bay City - Paul Theiss
Belleville - Keith Opalach
Belmont - Scott Olsen
Belmont - Douglas Peterman
Berrien Springs - Dale Yoder
Beulah - Robert Bennett
Big Rapids - Michael Brejcha
Birmingham - Robert Siewert
Blissfield - Lyle Camron
Boyne City - George Britton
Byron Center - Thomas McKenzie
Byron Center - Donald Walker

Cadillac - Douglas Sprik
Caro - DJ Svacha
Carson City - Kim Duflo
Cedar Springs - Mary Frandsen
Central Lake - Donald Burns
Charlotte - Ronald Beegle
Clawson - Kenneth DeMeulenaere
Clinton Township - Tonino Corsetti
Commerce Township - Richard Rowden
Comstock Park - William Jones

Davison - Daniel Rice
Davison - Roger Westenfeld
Dearborn Heights - Andrew Sitarski
Deckerville - Douglas Kirkpatrick
Detroit - Alfred Brown
Detroit - Huey Gray
Detroit - Harold McGuire
Detroit - Lewis Raglin
Detroit - Walter Strong Sr
Detroit - Samuel Webster
Dexter - Mark Stroia
Dimondale - James Hilliker
Dorr - Randy Kasper
Dowagiac - David Sprague
Durand - David Moore

East Lansing - George Jones III
East Lansing - Steven Theis
Eastpointe - Paul Kolbe

Fairgrove - Sky Carolan
Fenton - Michael Terry
Flint - Roger Brownell
Flint - Stephen Tesler
Flushing - Betty Cowden

Gaylord - Charles Lovelace
Gladstone - Gregory Rubick
Gladstone - Todd Salo
Grand Haven - Don Dahl
Grand Ledge - John VanHoesen
Grand Rapids - Scott Allen
Grand Rapids - Patrick Czarnowski Sr
Grand Rapids - Joel Potter
Grand Rapids - Daniel Powell
Grand Rapids - Kevin Raymond
Grand Rapids - Jeffrey Trimpe
Grand Rapids - Chad Wieber
Grand Rapids - Brian Wisinski
Grandville - Michael Waalkes
Grayling - Richard Robbins
Grosse Pointe Woods - Tom Elsey

Harper Woods - Fred Weems
Hartford - George Friday
Hillsdale - Brian Eves
Holland - Kenneth Kuipers
Houghton - David Poplawski
Howell - Keith Byrd
Howell - Thomas Dycio
Howell - G Mark Torsch
Hudsonville - William VanderVelde
Huntington Woods - Michael Birkett
Huntington Woods - James Conley

Iron Mountain - Robert Boyle
Ironwood - Robert Miklesh
Ishpeming - Patrick O'Brien
Ithaca - Robert Anderson

Jackson - Kenneth King
Jackson - Mick Linderman
Jackson - Jose Virgi Martinez
Jackson - Mary Anne Papiersky
Jackson - James Weid
Jenison - Joe Piccione

Kalamazoo - John Du Bois
Kalamazoo - Jerry Mastenbrook
Kalamazoo - R Scott Ryder
Kentwood - Keith Pratt

Lansing - Larry Heinig
Livonia - Charles Uhlinger Jr
Lowell - Jack Vulpetti
Ludington - Dale Horowski
Ludington - Mike Winczewski

Manistee - Randy Ronning
Manistee - James Smogoleski
Marshall - Michael Brown
Mattawan - James Martemucci
Mears - Victor Salazar
Midland - Timothy Gallihugh
Midland - James Martin
Milford - Douglas Flees
Monroe - Jon La Beau
Monroe - David Potter
Mt Clemens - Marc Drouillard
Mt Morris - John Montney
Muskegon - Joseph Gabriel
Muskegon - Robert Holcomb
Muskegon - Dennis Jones
Muskegon - William Sorensen
Muskegon - William Young

New Baltimore - Daniel DiCristofaro
Newberry - Brian Immel
Northville - Leonard Piner
Northville - Lee Scafidi
Norton Shores - Scott Wieman

Pentwater - Charles Hiltz
Perry - Joel Crane
Petoskey - Blane Lagerman
Pinckney - Andrea DeBaun
Pinconning - John Mackson
Plymouth - David Workman
Portage - Joanna Heyd
Portage - Randall Schau
Portland - John Davids

Quincy - Tim Wilkinson

Reading - Lamar Parker Jr
Redford - Matthew Burnash
Rockford - Douglas McIntyre
Roseville - Robert Meyer
Rudyard - David Bourgeault
Rudyard - Gary Davis

Saginaw - Dale Brown
Saginaw - Eric Deisig
Saginaw - Patrick Hart
Saginaw - Charles Lord
Saginaw - Brad Rhora
Saline - Robert Zaucha

(more)

2-2-2 – 20-30-40-45-50-Year Officials

Saranac - Douglas Abel
Sault Ste Marie - Bryan Marger
Schoolcraft - Charles Ahrens
Schoolcraft - Jeffry Morgan
St Helen - Joseph King
St Ignace - Emily Fullerton
St Johns - John Wilcox
St Johns - Fred Wright
St Joseph - Gregg Buschlen
St Joseph - Terry Fosdick
Sterling Heights - Carlos Folino
Sterling Heights - Frank Gianfermi
Sterling Heights - Thomas Polite
Sterling Heights - Ron Schypinski
Stevensville - Denny Dock
Sturgis - Thomas Moe

Taylor - Mickey Turcheck

Ubyly - H Jerry Osentoski

Warren - Malcolm Pennington
Warren - Jackson White Jr
Waterford - Joseph Coxen
Waterford - Cecil Martin
Wayland - Larry Kubiak
Westland - Steven Engebretson
Westland - Gary Gaspas
Westland - William Strang
White Cloud - James Smith Jr
White Lake - Bruno Molin
Wixom - Charles Phillipson
Wyandotte - Jay Steffensky
Wyoming - Steven Bilski
Wyoming - Theodore Simons
Wyoming - Paul Titchenell

Ypsilanti - Jerry Massey

Dolomite, AL - Reginald Smith

Dade City, FL - Thomas Caranicolas
Sarasota, FL - Donald Edwards

Genoa, OH - Kevin Katafias
Toledo, OH - David Gilbert

30 YEAR OFFICIALS

Albion - Robert Gray
Albion - Ralph Locke Jr
Allen Park - Perry Petterle
Ann Arbor - Erich Schifter
Ann Arbor - Michael Smith
Augusta - Edward Smith

Bangor - Kevin Willis
Battle Creek - Michael Bess
Battle Creek - Daniel Eversole
Beulah - Peter Olson
Bingham Farms - Robert Schreiner
Boyer Falls - Kenneth Doty

Bronson - Randy Houtz
Brown City - Curt Lowe
Bruce Crossing - Robert Franti
Buchanan - Dale Matteson
Buchanan - Larry Monsma

Calumet - Dennis Massoglia
Charlotte - Kenneth Jorae
Cheboygan - Peter Stempky
Conklin - Gary Meerman
Crystal - Birney Joseph

Delton - Douglas Loher
Detroit - Michael Cathey
Detroit - Carl Yerger III
DeWitt - Perry Costello

East Lansing - Bruce Heeder
Eastpointe - Danny Laethem
Essexville - Rae Harfst

Fair Haven - Larry Marshke
Farmington Hills - Andrew Howell
Fenton - Peter Maas
Flint - Joseph Johnson
Flushing - David Cowden
Frankenmuth - David Auernhamer
Fraser - Robert Bonacci

Grand Blanc - James Graham
Grand Blanc - Thomas Rau
Grand Rapids - Lou Ann Dorgan
Grand Rapids - William Dripchak Jr
Grand Rapids - Delbert Fend
Grand Rapids - Todd VandenAkker
Greenville - James Whitmer
Grosse Ile - Ronald Barger
Grosse Pointe Park - Joseph Macksoud

Harrison - Michael Haley
Hart - Peter Moss
Hastings - Timothy Girrback
Hersey - James Repo Jr
Hillsdale - Ivan Fedosuk
Holland - Craig Kuipers
Holt - Michael Clark
Houghton - Roy Britz
Houghton - Brian McLean
Hudsonville - C Michael Philo
Hudsonville - Michael Rublein

Ida - Diane Tuller
Ironwood - Dennis Routheaux

Jackson - Steven Town
Jenison - James Kerbel

Kalamazoo - Duane Corstange

Lake Isabella - James Novar
Lambertville - Jon Jones
Lansing - Michael Keating
Lapeer - Manfred Schmidt

Laurium - Michael Maki
Lincoln Park - Richard Weiss
Linden - John Cross
Ludington - Richard Catt

Macomb - Ronald Mestdagh
Macomb - Dennis Steele
Madison Heights - Joseph Marcinkowski
Manistee - Rod Worch
Marine City - Roger Malcolm
Marquette - Edward Angeli
Middleville - Jerry Hoag
Midland - David Millhisler
Midland - Robert Ribble
Muskegon Heights - Johnny Robinson

Negaunee - Megs Collins
Newaygo - Thomas Szocinski
Novi - James Kowalczyk

Osseo - Ronald Murphy
Oxford - Donald Maskill Jr

Petoskey - Don Haase
Petoskey - Paul VanWagoner
Plymouth - Charles Hempel
Plymouth - Dan Riggs
Port Hope - Gene Schuett
Port Huron - Donald Button
Portage - Robert Burch
Portage - David Szybala
Posen - Donna Couture
Prescott - Charles Wren

Rapid River - Dale Jamison
Richland - Mike Foster
Richland - Michael Stripp
Rochester Hills - Dennis Powell
Roseville - Robert Iwasko
Royal Oak - Michael Cody
Royal Oak - Rick Fletcher Jr

Saginaw - James Clement
Saginaw - Ronald Keup
Saginaw - Suzanne Swanton
Saginaw - Azola Williams
Schoolcraft - Richard Bird
Shelby Township - Michael Gentry
Spring Lake - Butch Cantrell
Spring Lake - David Young
St Clair Shores - Stephen Swalec
Sterling Heights - Jack Abbate Jr
Sturgis - Michael Bobalik

Taylor - Clayton Conner
Temperance - Tom Ladd
Three Rivers - Michael Morris
Toivola - Joe Romano
Trenton - Kay Kornis
Trenton - Barbara Liddle
Trenton - Robert Lindsay
Troy - Eric Pittman

(more)

3-3-3 – 20-30-40-45-50-Year Officials

Walled Lake - Judith Day
Warren - Vern Rottmann
Washington - Robert Janusch
West Bloomfield - Michael Shogan
White Lake - Robert Lorenz

Naples, FL - Arthur VanDamme

40 YEAR OFFICIALS

Bad Axe - Lee Kahler
Birch Run - Jim Volk
Brooklyn - Roger Rutan

Caledonia - James Uyl
Clarksville - Ronald Bjork

Dearborn - Eugene Smith
Dryden - Louis Miramonti

Farmington - Jack Inch
Flint - Joseph Ragnone

Grand Blanc - Thomas Evans
Grand Haven - William Holman
Grand Rapids - Lewis Clingman
Grandville - Steve Start
Grayling - Clayton Brown

Hopkins - Mark Austin
Howell - John Hardy

Iron Mountain - Richard Olds

Kalamazoo - Fletcher Lewis

Lake City - Gerald Hoekwater
Lake Orion - G. Timothy Curtis
L'Anse - Brian Jentoft
Laurium - Tom Renier

Mears - Richard Tompkins
Muskegon - Michael Henry

New Boston - Richard Nicholson
Newberry - Keith Alto

Paw Paw - Robert Adams
Petoskey - Burt Matteson

Roseville - James Hillock

Troy - Dennis Laurain

Wyandotte - Stephen Semetko

45 YEAR OFFICIALS

Ann Arbor - Richard Honig

Bad Axe - Lynn Abke
Burton - Calvin TerHaar

Clare - George Earle Jr

Flint - Gordon Spencer

Grand Rapids - Arnold Chapin

Jackson - William Hestwood

Kalamazoo - Herbert Smith

Livonia - Lyle Beardslee

Marcellus - Rodney Terrill
Muskegon - Ralph Burr

Northville - Steve Folino

Otisville - Vern Thurlow

50 YEAR OFFICIALS

Cass City - Daniel Erla

Grand Rapids - James Davies

Linwood - Richard Mosier

Manistique - William Rogers

Warren - J Bud Masinick