Michigan High School Coaches Association

55th Annual Hall of Fame Induction

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Jonathan “Jock” Ambrose  East Kentwood
David Bork  Monroe
JoAnn Capling  Harbor Beach
Mike Cloney  Mattawan
Dave Diget  Kalamazoo Central
Jim Downs  Howell
Dan Hanton  Brown City/Port Huron Northern
Mark Holdren  Portland
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Distinguished Service Award

This award is presented each year to someone who has done an outstanding job supporting and promoting athletics in general, and has shown consideration and assistance to the high school scene and the Michigan High School Coaches Association. The following are past recipients of the MHSCA Distinguished Service Award.

Ron Finch  Win Shuler  Bob Reynolds
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Rich Tompkins
Diane Laffey

Distinguished Service Award
Regina High School

- Graduated from Nativity High School in Detroit in 1957
- BA in Philosophy from the University of Detroit in 1962 (no competitive women’s teams but she did compete in intramural sports and played on travel softball and basketball teams)
- MA in Guidance and Counseling from Wayne State University in 1972
- Basketball record: 601-395, seven league titles, 22 district titles, and 12 regional championships
- Softball record: 1074-409-3, fourteen league titles, 25 district titles, 11 regional championships, and 5 State Championships
- Several Coach of the year honors at the state level
- Past National High School Athletic Coaches’ Association (NHSACA) Regional Coach of the Year (COY) in both sports and National COY in both sports
- Member of the following Hall of Fames: Metro Detroit ASA, Catholic League Coaches, Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan (BCAM), Michigan High School Softball Coaches Association (MHSSCA), Macomb County Coaches Association, Michigan Sports Hall of Fame, Michigan High School Coaches Association (MHSCA), National Federation of High School Coaches, and NHSACA.
- Served on several MHSAA committees, long time member of the Catholic League Executive Board, served on BCAM committees, served as Ratings Chairperson and Hall of Fame Chairperson for Michigan HS Softball Coaches Association, past officer of Catholic League Women’s Coaches’ Assoc., past regional chair of National Fastpitch Coaches Association
- Current Vice-President of MHSSCA
- Diane feels “very humbled by the many awards that have been given to” her. She says she knows “it is because of the many wonderful athletes that I have had the privilege to coach, that this has happened.”
Jonathan “Jock” Ambrose  
*East Kentwood High School*

- Graduate of East Lansing HS
- BS University of Oregon-1976 and MA from Michigan State University w/emphasis on Sports Psych. In 1984
- EK Boys Water Polo Coach 1977-1992
- 17 league titles, 3 State Runners-up teams(boys swimming), 2 Boys Swimming State Championships
- Winner MISCA Matt Mann Award (MISCA's highest honor)
- Athletic Director at EK from 1997-2001
- MISCA Area Vice-President for 7 years, MISCA water polo chair 5 yrs., West Michigan Water Polo League founder, Founding member West Michigan Swim League
- Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSSA) Swimming Rules Committee 1987-2001, various MHSSA committees while EK athletic director
- Member Teen Institute Planning Committee-EK High School 1989-present, Member All Souls Community Church Board of Trustees 2007-present, involved with West Central Michigan American Red Cross (Instructional trainer 1986-1997)
- Wife: Anne Children: Becky, Brian, and Katey
- “Jock” would like to thank his high school coach and mentor, Randy Hagerman; former AD, Jim Czanko; mentor and co-coach, Chuck Karston; friend and diving coach, Eric Gale; the Kentwood community, all of his athletes and their families, and his wife and family for “allowing me to do this gig!”

David Bork  
*Monroe High School*

- 1962 graduate Monroe HS, where he participated in freshman football, 2 yrs. of baseball, 2yrs. of track & field, 3 yrs. cross country, & 4 yrs. basketball
- Continued as a track and cross country athlete (3 varsity letters) at University of Miami (Ohio), graduating w/BS in Education- 1966
- Graduate Assistant Coach at Central Michigan University for freshmen cross country and track and field distance runners from ’66-’67
- MA from CMU in 1971
- Teacher of Phys. Ed., Biology, World Cultures, Science for Living, and Astronomy in Monroe Public Schools from 1967-2005
- 1988 boys cross country team won State Championship with record low 39 pts.
- Coached 53 all-State athletes, including 11 individual state champs who set 3 state records, Todd Williams(4-time state champ and 2-time Olympian distance athlete) and Gary Price, 2-time state championship shot putter (former state record holder & Golden West champ)
- Member Monroe HS Hall of Fame, and member MITCA Hall of Fame
- Girls Cross Country coach 1979-1999 (started girls track & cross country at Monroe HS)
- Coached grades 7-9 in football, basketball, and track and field from 1967-79
- MITCA President 1995 and officer for prior 3 years, designed MHSSA State Finals Cross Country course at Michigan International Motor Speedway(MIS), 17 years as member of State Finals Organizing Comm. at MIS, and Monroe HS Athletic HOF Committee Chairperson
- Trinity Lutheran Church Sunday School teacher for 42 yrs. and Church Council officer for 25 yrs.
- Wife: Beverly Children: Dana, Derek, D'Ann, and Dustyn
- Dave wishes to thank his wife and children for their love and support
JoAnn Capling  
**Harbor Beach High School**

- Teacher and *Girls Basketball Coach* at Harbor Beach High School from 1973-1998
- Record: 415-110
- 1989 District, Regional, and State Coach of the Year
- National High School Athletic Coaches’ Association (NHSACA) Coach of the Year nominee 1989
- Started girls’ basketball program at Harbor Beach, for a time serving as both varsity and JV coach, and beginning elementary program, as well
- Also coached softball, track and field and boys’ basketball
- 7th-8th grade girls’ basketball coach 1999-present
- Member Basketball Coaches’ Association of Michigan (BCAM). Former board member
- Served on MHSAA basketball rules committee
- Volleyball official during 1980’s
- Board member Verona Hills Golf Club
- Member Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church and Harbor Beach Athletic Association

Mike Cloney  
**Mattawan High School**

- 1962 graduate Vicksburg HS, earning 8 varsity letters in basketball, football, and cross country
- BS Education with major in geography and minor in phys. Ed from Western Michigan University in 1966
- MA in middle school education at WMU in 1973
- Middle School Social Studies teacher at Mattawan for 40 yrs., 1966-2006
- *Football Coach* at Mattawan HS and MS from 1966-79 and 1997-2001
  - Record: 74-37
  - Record: 43-39-8
- 1972-3 Mattawan Varsity Basketball team was ranked #1 in Class C for Southwest Michigan by *Kalamazoo Gazette*
- Athletic Director at St. Monica’s Catholic MS 1992-96
- Father, Edward Cloney, was inducted into MHSCA HOF in 1970
- St. Monica’s Summer Camp Director for 4 years
- Usher Club at St. Monica’s Catholic Church, member Michigan High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Youth Basketball Coach for 4 yrs., and Teen Hoops HS Christian Basketball Coach for 3 yrs.
- Wife: Marlynn  Children: Michelle, Ryan, and Todd
- Mike is “proud to receive this honor, “just as his late father did before him. He would also like to thank Joe Grosser, Mattawan Varsity Football Coach from 1970-6 for his “support, encouragement, and friendship.” He offers “special thanks” to his family, athletes, coaches, and officials who “have provided so many great memories.”
David Diget  
Kalamazoo Central

- Battle Creek Central graduate, where he was a 3 yr. varsity letter winner as a swimmer and a state champion in the 150yd. medley relay and 2nd in the 100yd. freestyle as a sophomore and junior. As a senior he became a national record holder as a member of the 200 & 400yd. freestyle relays
- Graduated from Michigan State University in 1961, while earning three varsity letters and earning all-American status in 1959 & 1960
- Detroit News 1967 High School Swimming & Diving COY
- 1970-78 Western Michigan University swimming and diving coach. Record: 43-43
- Teacher at WMU from 1970-1998
- Swimming coach at Portage Central from 1987-9. Record: 24-6
- Kalamazoo Central HS swimming and diving coach from 1989-2011, serving as at various times, as head boys and girls' coach, co-head coach, assistant coach, volunteer coach, and diving coach
- Assistant Coach at Kalamazoo Loy Norrix HS from 2011-present(his 53rd year as a coach!)
- 1974 Michigan Aquatics Coach of the Year, 1976 Leroy F. Sparks (the father of Battle Creek swimming) Memorial Aquatic Award, 1981 American Red Cross Certificate of Merit (administering CPR and saving a life), & 1995 MHSAA Appreciation honor for 30 yrs. as swimming official
- 2007 Inductee to Battle Creek Lakeview Hall of Fame
- 2009 MISCA 25 year Service Award
- Involved with many clubs over his career, including Battle Creek Swim Club, AZO Swim Club, YKAT (YMCA Kalamazoo Aquatic Team), Riverside Swim Club, Kalamazoo Aquatic Team, Kalamazoo Canoe & Kayak Club(founder and coach), ASO Soccer coach
- Wife: Patricia Children: Diana, David Jr., Derek
- Dave wishes to thank his athletes, parents of those athletes, fellow coaches who worked with him, and three special coaches: Leroy Sparks, G. Robert Mowerson, and Charles McCaffree. He also expressed gratitude to parents, especially his father, who also was a state champ in the 150yd. medley relay in 1929. Finally, he thanks the swimming community at large.
Jim Downs

Howell High School

- 1960 graduate Danbury HS in Connecticut, where he played baseball
- BS Education with Phys. Ed. major and Social Studies minor in 1965. Participated in swimming, track, football, and bowling intramurals
- MS in Social Foundations/PE from Eastern Michigan in 1972
- 1965-6 taught and coached swimming at Miami Carol City in Miami, FL
- Overall Career Record as Swimming and Diving Coach in 45 years: 302-92
- 1966-8 Teacher and football and assistant track coach at Fraser HS
- 1968-9 Teacher and football and assistant track coach at Shepherd HS
- 1980-82 Head Girls Swimming Coach at Birmingham Groves. Record: 26-4
- 1983-87 established Girls Swimming program at Fenton HS. Record: 30-14
- 1988-93 Head Girls Swimming Coach at Birmingham Marian HS. Record: 24-16
- 2004-07 established Hartland HS Girls Swimming Coach. Record: 25-13
- 2008-2010 Head Girls Swimming Coach at Howell HS. Record: 24-8
- 7 times top six team at State Swimming Championships, National Interscholastic Class 12 Dual Meet Rankings Champions and 6 times in top six
- Coached 28 High School all-Americans
- 4 times MISCA Regional COY and 1998 Detroit News COY
- MISCA Matt Mann Award-2012
- 35 years Swimming official and 1999 National Interscholastic Swim Official of the Year-1999
- Member National Federation of Interscholastic Officials Assoc., National Interscholastic Swim Coaches Assoc. and American Swim Coaches Assoc.
- Member International Swimming Hall of Fame
- St. Augustine Catholic Church Social Services Comm.
- Wife: Gail Children: Erin and Matt
- Special thanks to Coach Bob Sullivan his critic teacher/coach at Marysville HS in 1965
Dan Hanton  
Brown City/Port Huron Northern  

- 1961 Graduate of Chatham Collegiate Institute (Canada), participating in football, track & field, golf, and basketball  
- BA Graceland College in Iowa 1965 in Health, Physical Education, and Recreation (HPER). Participated in football, track and field, golf, and basketball  
- MS in HPER from Indiana University in 1970  
- Teacher PE (Dept. Chair), Health, Science, and Math and Coach Brown City HS from 1965-71. Head Basketball Coach. Record: 17-43. JV Football Coach - Record: 15-11. Also served as assistant and Head Baseball coach for 3 yrs. each and AD for 3 years  
- 1999-2013 Head Women's Basketball (4 yrs.), Assistant AD (4 yrs.), Athletic Director (6 yrs.-first full-time AD at school), Assistant Women’s Basketball Coach (currently-3 yrs.) at Graceland University (his alma mater) Head Basketball Record: 53-65. Coached school’s first all-American and eventual professional player, Michelle Acosta  
- 45 year MHSCA Service Award  
- Established and ran Port Huron Northern Basketball Camp (1972-1999) and hosted the Detroit Pistons Student Clinic at the Pontiac Silverdome  
- Church pastor at Community of Christ for 8 yrs. in Port Huron, and member Graceland Univ. Alumni Board of Directors 2010-present  
- Wife: Suzanne Children: Kelle, Mark, and Brian  
- Would like to thank family, players, who were “supportive” through tough seasons “and great seasons.” He would also like to express his gratitude to former fellow coaches: Jim Bates, Gary Nesbitt, Craig Dahlke, Brian Jamison, Brian Hanton, and Dana Pool, “who were always there!” Finally, he thanks the administration and staff at Port Huron Northern. “Once a Husky, Always a Husky!”


Mark Holdren  
*Portland High School*

- 1976 graduate of Albion HS where he lettered 3 times in cross country, once in track and field, and 4 in wrestling
- BA 1980 from Olivet College. Wrestled four years (4 letters). Captain senior year, 2 times MIAA champ, and four times NCAA Div. III National qualifier
- 1980-3 Admissions Counselor and *Assistant Wrestling Coach* at Olivet College
- *Head Volleyball Coach* 2002-2009. Record: 141-159-41
- Also served *assistant volleyball coach* for one year and *head middle school track coach* 2yrs.
- Lansing State Journal Class B/III COY 4 times, 3 times Michigan Wrestling Association (MWA) Regional COY, Class B State COY 1990 & '91
- Inducted into Portland HS Athletic Hall of Fame in 1991 and as coach of team in 2006. Inducted into MWA Hall of Fame in 2007. Also member of Olivet College Hall of Fame.
- Associate Professor Olivet College-2000-01 and Head Wrestling Coach
- 17 years as clinician at the Olivet College HS Wrestling Camp
- MWA membership chair 6 yrs., 8 years as an officer, serving 2 as president, and MWA representative to MHSCA(current 3rd V.P. ) and National Wrestling Coaches’ Assoc.
- Michigan USA Wrestling Executive Board for two years
- Wife: Lynn Children: Erin, Jennifer, and Alexander
- Mark thanks his brother Paul, “who instilled a deep appreciation for the role that sports play in the development of youth,” college wrestling coach, Jare T. Klein, “who mentored me and became a lifelong friend,” and Scott Sandborn, “who reminded me that there is more to coaching, than the x’s and o’s.” He also expresses his gratitude to his family for their support and encouragement.

James Lawrence  
*Trenton High School*

- Riverview HS graduate 1967, participating in cross country, swimming, and tennis
- BA 1975 in Special Educ. from Eastern Michigan Univ.
- Teacher for Wayne-Westland Community Schools (Wayne Memorial HS) from 1975-2011
- *Boys and Girls’ Swimming Coach* at Westland John Glenn HS 1979-81. Record: 40-20
- Combined Overall Record as *Head Swimming and Diving Coach*: 520-168
- 1984-present *Head Boys and Girls’ Swim Coach* at Trenton HS. Record: 489-148. Won 26 league titles, had 10 top ten finishes at State finals, 1995 Girls’ State Championship
- Many times Wolverine A Conference, Michigan Mega Conference, and Downriver League COY, Multiple times News Herald COY, Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches’ Association (MISCA) Zone COY four times, MISCA COY 1995, MHSCA COY ’97 & ’05
- Selected to City of Trenton Hall of Fame in 2002
- Winner of MISCA’s Matt Mann Award in 1997
- MISCA President 2000-2, MISCA Clinic Chairperson 1994-2012, MISCA rep. to MHSCA 2002-4, and National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches’ Assoc. member
- Wife: Marty Children: Melissa and Emily
- James wishes to thank the many family, friends, and mentors who have been a big part of his life but cannot be here today to celebrate, including his parents “who showed that competition was a healthy part of life;” his wife and daughters for making the journey successful; Don Trost and Ray Martin, “two of Riverview’s best;” Joe Brodie and Ray Martin “for bringing [him] along;” Jim McPartlin, his mentor; Bill Hawley for guidance given; Eric Federico “for believing in [him];” and Matt Monas his coach and friend for nearly 30 years.
Steve Linn

Harbor Beach/Deckerville

- Graduate of Waterford Mott HS, played football and wrestled
- Attended Hillsdale College for two years and played football
- Transferred to the University of Michigan and graduated with a BA in Secondary Education
- 1977-78 taught history, English, and math and coached football for Memphis Community Schools in Memphis, MI
- 1978-80 taught history, science, and math at Yale Public Schools, while coaching football and track and field (Record: 5-3)
- Track and Field Coach at Deckerville HS (2011-13) Girls League and regional champs-2013
- Cross Country Coach at Deckerville HS (2011-present)
- Michigan Interscholastic Track and Cross Country Coaches’ Association (MITCA) COY nominee 3 times( 1 for cross country & 2 for track & field) and Blue Water COY twice
- Served on MITCA track and field, cross country, and junior high committees, four year member of Executive board (president in 2010-11)
- Coached Midget Hockey for 16 years, winning 10 league titles
- Michigan Dept. of Education MEAP question writer
- Arranged for computerization of Huron County food pantries through grant
- Wife: Martha Children: Elizabeth, Hera, and Lukas
- Steve wishes to thank his wife for “without her support, I would not have coached. “ He also thanked his children for their support and the following coaches for their guidance: Linda Wright, Rick Callender, Wayne Roberts, Jason Mausolf, and Randee Kirkpatrick. Finally, he expressed his gratitude to the “fine people and athletes of Harbor Beach and Deckerville” because “their work and dedication is why I’m here.”
Ross MacDonald
Warren DeLaSalle/Fraser
- 1960 graduate of Detroit Cooley HS, where he played football (co-captain of 1959 Detroit Public School league champs), baseball, and track and field. He also played hockey in Detroit Rec. League, winning 3 city championships and 2 state finals.
- Attended Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, Colorado in 1961—played football and ran track.
- BA Michigan State University—1964 in Physical Education and played freshmen football and some hockey before injury ended his career.
- MA Wayne University—1967
- 1965-66 taught Elementary Phys. Ed. at Detroit Hillger Elementary School and served as assistant football coach at Detroit Denby HS.
- 1966-67 taught Elem. PE at Warren Fitzgerald Schofield Elementary School and was assistant football coach at Warren Fitzgerald HS.
- Inducted to Fraser HS Hall of Fame as coach on 1969 & 1981 football teams.
- President of Michigan Metro HS Hockey League-1972-3.
- Volunteer work with Fraser Figure Skating Club, including Dad’s Group.
- Ross wishes to thank his family for the support needed to “follow my dream and coach football for 35 years.” He also thanks Roger Parmentier, who offered him his first football coaching job; Don Weichert who coached with him for nine years and was “the most influential person in establishing my coaching philosophy and work ethic;” Fraser AD, Tom Lusk, for his support; former DeLaSalle AD, Mike Jolly for “believing in me;” Wilson Barns and Al Kastl, who coached with him his entire career and were “great coaches and more importantly, lifelong friends;” and fellow DeLaSalle coaches, Steve Vercammen, Mike Szatkowski, and Tony DeSantis.

Dan MacLean
Detroit Country Day HS
- Graduate Birmingham Brother Rice HS-1976, where he played football and basketball.
- BA from Oakland University-1982.
- Assistant Football Coach at Detroit Country Day HS (’85-’97)
- Member MFCA, American Football Coaches’ Assoc., and Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Directors’ Assoc.
- Angel’s Place Community Service.
- Wife: Molly Children: Jack, Maureen, Mike, Kathleen, and Danny.
- Dan thanks his wife for her support of his career and for doing a “phenomenal job she does as Mother of 5 and 5th grade school teacher.” He also thanks his parents, Larry and Mary, as well as all of his siblings. Finally, he thanks the staff at Detroit Country Day School and all of the coaches with which he has worked.
Ron Schafer
Beal City

- Graduate of Beal City-1957, where he played football, basketball, and ran track
- 1961 Graduate of Central Michigan University
- Teacher at Fulton-Middleton HS (1961-67) Football Coach and Varsity Basketball and Track and Field Coach
- 1998-2010 Assistant and Varsity Baseball Coach at Morley-Stanwood HS
- 2011 Assistant JV Baseball Coach at Beal City. Record: 27-3
- MIAAA 25 yr. Award, MHSCA 35 yr. award, National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators’ Assoc. 25 yr. Award
- Served on several MHSSA committees
- Hospice volunteer, local Little League administrator, Beal City HS Foundation Board
- Member Mt. Pleasant Arbor of Gleaners, Knights of Columbus, and Michigan Sports Sages
- Wife: Joyce Children: Craig, Mark, Brent, and Kimberlee
- Ron wants to thank his family, friends and community for supporting both his teams and himself. He also thanks the past and present coaches at Beal City, who have developed “a great sports program for our student/athletes.” Finally, he praises current AD, Aaron Butkovich for “continuing and improving a program I helped develop during my 30 years at Beal City.”

David Welcome
Bloomfield Hills HS

- Graduate of Alexandria HS in Indiana, playing football( 1st team all-league fullback), basketball and putting the shot (7th in State) in track and field
- BA from Ball State University, where he was a 3 year starter at tackle, earning all-conference honors his senior season
- MA in Education from Ball State-1966
- Social Studies Teacher from 1963-1997
- Overall Record as Football Coach: 263-185-1 Marion HS in Indiana-1963-4, Peru HS(IN) 1964-5, Greenfield HS(IN) 1965-7 Twice league champs, Seagar HS (IN) 1967-9, Maconaquah HS(IN) 1969-70
- Andover HS(MI) 1970-72 Two times league champs. 18-0
- Bloomfield Hills Lahser (now Bloomfield Hills HS) 1972-present. Record: 204-157 Undefeated, league champs, ranked #2 in Class A in 1982, Unbeaten league and Regional champs-2002, Undefeated league and Reg. champions-2005
- Regional Golf COY in Southeast Michigan for Division 2 in 2007
- Chaplain for Michigan Sports Sages( 2002-present)
- Member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes since 1965
- Senior pastor at Britton Congregational Church from 1997-2012
- Mission trip to New Orleans with Habitat for Humanity finishing new homes
- Wife: Sue Children: Mollie, Todd, and Nancy
- David thanks “God for keeping me healthy and excited to continue working with kids.” He is also grateful for his supportive family; Coaches Bob Kefgen and Dan Loria, who “put up with me for eons;” his athletic director, Rocky Gust; and administrators: Superintendent, Bob Docking and Principal, Dave Symington.
The Michigan High School Coaches Association was founded on the campus of Central Michigan University in 1954. The Hall of Fame Room is currently located in the Student Activities Center Conference room next to the Dan Rose Arena. CMU has graciously provided housing for the hall since 1971 and the current room was opened in 1996. Unfortunately, with 650 members as of today, the room is no longer large enough to feature all of our inductees. Consequently, we are in the process of establishing our Hall of Fame in an actual entrance hall to the Student Activities Center. This location is used daily by students, staff, and the public when entering the facility. It will feature a dynamic 50 feet long mural, several showcases and an electronic kiosk featuring all of our Hall of Fame members, dating back to 1958. Look for its completion later this year.

Qualifications for membership are as follows: 1) one must have served a minimum of twenty-five (25) years in high school coaching and/or athletic administration 2) receive two letters of recommendation from administrators and/or fellow coaches 3) have exemplified service to his/her community, state, and affiliated organizations 4) demonstrated coaching excellence

Hall of Fame Rings
Reminder, Hall of Fame rings are available through Jostens of Michigan. They are available in men’s and women’s sizes. Any Hall of Fame member or inductee interested in purchasing a ring, or a school group wishing to purchase a ring for an inductee or member, should contact Thomas Alward, Jostens School Product Group, work phone: (810) 658-1700.
MHSCA Coming Events
“State Coach of the Year Banquet”
Sunday, November 3, 2013
Site: Ramada Inn of West Lansing (formerly Holiday Inn West)
Lansing, Michigan
Order Tickets from Rich Tompkins