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NHSACA Coach of the Year Finalist for 2017

Congratulations are in order for all who have been named as a Finalist for the 2017 National High School Athletic Coaches Association or (NHSACA) Coach of the Year. The NHSACA COTY Awards will take place on June 21st at the Embassy Suites, East Peoria, IL.

Points of Interests

- Board of Director & Executive Committee
 Spring Board Meeting: 3-12-17 @ 12:00 P.M.
 Site: Ramada Lansing Hotel and Conference Center, 7501 W Saginaw Hwy, Lansing, MI 48917
- Multi-Sport Athlete Award Due Date: 4-15-17

Stephanie	Olsen	Asst COTY, Boys'	Fenton High School
Dan	Fife	Basketball, Boys'	Clarkston High School
Clifton	Somers	Cross Country, Boys'	Fremont High School
Emily	Kloss	Cross Country, Girls'	Harbor Springs High School
Nancy	Johnson	Golf	Greenville High School
John	Conlon	Soccer	East Kentwood
Jim	Lawrence	Swimming & Diving	Trenton High School
Pete	Militzer	Tennis	Portage Central
Jean	LaClair	Volleyball	Bronson High School
Tim	Roberts	Wrestling	Dundee

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BCAM OPPORTUNITIES

There are so many personalities that make up a team and many roles that are fulfilled and honored throughout the season. MVP, Top Defender, Top Scorer as well as academic achievements are only a select few. BCAM this season has added a new award to the association's list. It is the Team First Award. The award will be recognized by a coach sending a player's name in to BCAM for a certificate. Coaches are to select a basketball player that put his/her self before themselves with teamwork, commitment, service and sacrifice. It is so great that more attention is being placed on character of an athlete because most always, it is your character that truly takes you places of significance.

"Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there." John Wooden



Leo "Smokey" Boyd

NHSACA Hall of Fame Inductee Leo "Smokey" Boyd

Leo Boyd's high school coaching career started in 1953 and spanned five decades. He coached at Standish-Sterling, St. Pete's and Nouvel Catholic Central High Schools. His 308-116-4 career record ranks him No. 4 All-Time victories in the state. He also helped lead Nouvel football to back-to-back state championships

Two MHSCA members to become newest inductees into the NHSACA Hall of Fame



Sheryl Mox

NHSACA Hall of Fame Inductee Sheryl Mox

Sheryl Mox, a retired teacher, and head coach for girls basketball and volleyball teams at Potterville High School will be inducted into the National High School Athletic Coaches Association. Coach Mox has coached for 31 years and earned many accolades, including winning the League, District, Regional and State finals and championships. Coach Mox has been named the Michigan High School Coach of the Year, and League or Region Coach of the Year several times.

Potterville High School - Coach

Girls Basketball - 31 years.

Record - 453 Wins, 239 Losses

5 League Championships.

9 District Titles, 5 Regional Titles.

Class "D" State Champions - 1985 (28-0).

Class "D" State Runners-Up - 1989, 1990.

Class "D" Coach of the Year - 1985, 1989.

MHSCA National Coach of the Year Nominee - 1993.

Volleyball - 17 years.

Record - 411 Wins, 133 Losses.

10 League Championships.

14 District Titles, 7 Regional Titles.

Class "D" State Champions - 1988, 1990.

Class "D" State Runner-Up - 1991.

NHSACA Midwest - Region 8 Coach of the Year - 1991.

MHSCA National Coach of the Year Nominee - 1991

Associations Clinic Updates 2017 & 2018

Cross Country: November , 16, 17, 18, 2016– Site: Mt. Pleasant

Football: January 19, 2018 – East Lansing

Golf: November– Bath

Soccer: February – WMU

Swimming: September 15-Battle Creek

Tennis; February 3-Troy

Volleyball: April 21 & 22 East Lansing HS

Basketball: October 21 Lansing

Bowling : N/A

Competitive Cheer: October-Lansing

Gymnastics : N/A

Ice Hockey: July

Skiing: N/A

Wrestling: Central Michigan University

Baseball: January 13-Mt. Pleasant

Lacrosse: June @ Det. Country Day

Softball: January 27, 2018-Lansing

Track & Field: February 4-Lansing

MIAAA: March 17-Traverse City

MHSCA COACHING RECOGNITION for 15/20/25/30/35/40/45/50 Years

The candidate must have distinguished himself/herself with good coaching ethics and promoted good sportsmanship throughout his/her coaching career. *The AD or principal's signature confirms this. Ten (10) years of coaching outside of Michigan may be applied to the application. Coaching at any level may be applied as long as it is a school sponsored interscholastic sport. To receive a general coaching certificate the candidate must have been coaching at least one sport per year at any level for the requested number of years. To receive specific certificates for a single sport the candidate must qualify for the specified number of years in that sport. This can be at any level. You cannot however count more than one level or season for a sport in any one year. For

example, coaching both boys and girls basketball during the same school year counts as "1" year; coaching both 7th grade boys and JV boys during the same school year counts as "1" year. Up to three (3) years may be included for active duty military service which delayed or interrupted an applicant's coaching career. Awards for 30 years and more (plaque) will have the sports that the candidate coached listed on the plaque. The coach will be presented only one award for each level of service after 30 years.

For more information go to www.mhsca.org or contact Mike Jolly at E-mail to: dlsathletics@aol.com

Application online now for The Rich Tompkins Multi-Sport Athlete Award

The MHSCA Board of Directors recognized Rich Tompkins (1946-2015), former Executive Director, for his service to high school athletics by naming the multi-sport athlete award in his name. Each school in the state can nominate one boy and one girl from their school for the MHSCA Rich Tompkins Multi-Sport Athlete Award. The only requirement for the athlete is that they must have participated in a least 3 sports for all four years of high school. Information will be sent out through the help of the MIAAA to all AD's in

the state. Nominations are due by April 15th and must be submitted by the school's principal or AD. Each of the nominees are evaluated on the basis of their athletic achievements (both individual and team), scholarship, leadership and service. The committee utilizes a rubric to rate the candidates.

All of the nominees receive a high quality certificate from the MHSCA in honor of being their school's honoree. Additionally, one boy and one girl from each of the four classes of schools (A, B, C, D) receive a plaque as the

MHSCA State Multi-Sport Athlete of the Year.

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Michigan High School Coaches Association Insurance Program

The coaching profession has changed dramatically in the past 20 years and with that change comes more scrutiny, more expectations and more responsibilities. Coaches today must manage their sport and coaching duties are not relegated to athletics and Xs and Os. In reality, coaches are expected to deal with school policies/procedures, Booster clubs, parents, athletic trainers, facilities and equipment. In addition, coaches in most states are required and/or encouraged to become certified in emergency first aid and CPR.

By virtue of the position held, coaches have become increasingly more at risk

of being involved in a lawsuit and proper insurance coverage is a necessity. As a member benefit of your coaches association, all members are covered for your coaching activities (including classroom coverage) by a Commercial General Liability Policy.

The policy limits are \$1,000,000 (per member) and the policy provides coverage to members from claims made by negligent acts accidentally committed resulting in bodily injury, personal and advertising injury or property damage to others. Members may also request certificates of insurance showing proof of insurance

or naming an additional insured.

Participant Accident coverage for participants attending camps is also available to members by completing the proper request forms and forwarding them to Loomis & LaPann, Inc. for a quotation.

For a certificate of insurance form, participant accident request form, policy terms & conditions and camp coverage, please contact our insurance administrator: Loomis & LaPann, Inc. P.O. Box 2158 Glens Falls, NY 12801 800-566-6479
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