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Harley Pierce (at right) is this year's recipient of the Jim Crowley award, presented at half-time ceremonies by MHSFCA President Dick Look.

FIFTH ANNUAL ALL-STAR GAME SEES TURNAROUND IN ATTENDANCE

by Tom Moshimer, Chairman All-Star Committee

A record crowd (estimated at over 20,000) witnessed the West squad's 14-0 victory over the East in the Fifth Annual All-Star Football Game put on by the M.H.S.F.C.A. at Spartan Stadium on Saturday, August 3. The five game series now stands at 2 wins for the West and 3 for the East.

Anytime you undertake an event as large as the All-Star Game there are always many people behind he scene who work long and hard o make the undertaking a success. I would like to recognize the following people for their contributions to the All-Star Game:

"Muddy" Waters (Executive Director) and his associate Mike Mills for securing game sponsors and advertisers and printing of the souvenir program. Larry Merx (Ypsilanti) assisted Mike in putting the program together, arranged for All-Star players' hospital visitations, as well as assisting with organization of the All-Star Camp. Larry Rueger (Muskegon Mona Shores) organized player equipment, supervised player check-in, assisted with press day, and was responsible for game day organization. Gary Raff (Lansing Sexton) handled all the arrangements for

the All-Star Banquet, Hospitality at the Harley Hotel (for parents and All-Star Coaches) and the Game Day Hospitality Room for college coaches and Game Day Officials. Don Lessner (Riverview), who, without a doubt, does the lion's share of the work handles all the business arrangements which include: ordering equipment, scheduling facilities at M.S.U., contacting the media and arranging for press day, and a multitude of other details that must be taken care of so that the All-Star Game can be a reality.

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Larry Merx, Ann Arbor Huron H.S.

Michigan High School Football Coaches Association SUMMER MEETING

July 19, 1985

III. Introduction of Officers, Directors, Alternates, & Guests.

Officers Present

President Dick Look, 1st Vice President Terry Rose, 2nd Vice President Mark Covert, Secretary-Treasurer Don Lessner, All Star Chairman Tom Moshimer, Clinic Chairman Dan Lauer, Membership Chairman Jim Clawson, Newsletter Editor Larry Merx, Past President and Hall of Fame Chairman Tom Fagan, Past President and Historian Harley Pierce, Public Relations John Herrington, Past President Walt Braun.

Officers Absent

None

Directors Present

Region 1 - John Dean (Detroit Northern), Region 2-Bob Scheloske (Southgate Aquinas), Region 3 - Ernie Hoffman (Dundee), Region 6 - Dennis Zbozen (Warren Woods Tower), Region 7 - Dominic Livedoti (West Bloomfield), Region 9 - Dave Woodcock (Jenison), Region 10 - Bill Tucker (Flint Powers), Region 13 - Jack Schugars (Oakridge).

Directors Absent

Region 4 - Jim Ritter (Battle Creek Lakeview), Region 5 - Bob Wyman (Kalamazoo Christian), Region 8 - Valdy Gailitis (Mason), Region 11 - Dan McShannock (Saginaw Arthur Hill), Region 12 - John Blankenship (Houghton Lake), Region 14 - Mike Wojda (Hillman), Region 15 - Tim Klein (Frankfrot), Region 16 - Joe Austin (Engadine).

Alternates Present

Region 2 - Jack Castignola (Trenton), Region 6 - Pete Coll (Center Line), Region 8 - Gary Raff (Lansing Sexton), Region 9 - Tim Wood (Lake Odessa Lakewood), Region 10 - Bob Hayes (Montrose-McLoy), Region 11 - Jim Ahern (Ithica), Region 12 - Ed Harvey (Essexville-Garber), Region 15 - Larry Sellers (Traverse City St. Francis).

Trenton, Michigan

Alternates Absent

Region 1 - Ernie Thomas (Detroit Cooley), Region 3 - Tom Stobie (Jackson), Region 4 - Dan Hudson (Battle Creek Pennfield), Region 5 - Bob Knight (Portage Central), Region 7 - Chuck Apap (Walled Lake Western), Region 13 - Larry Rueger (Muskegon Mona Shores), Region 14 - Lee Hall (Alpena), Region 16 - Jim Hilgendorf (Rapid River).

Allied Members Present

Chuck Ritter (University of Michigan).

Also in attendance was Wes Wishart of Dearborn Divine Child High School.

Hall of Fame Selection Procedures

by Harley Pierce

If you know of someone who has been coaching football for twenty years (as head or assistant coach) or who has 100 varsity wins, or if you, yourself meet one of these requirements...contact:

Harley Pierce Historian, M.H.S.F.C.A. 428 Edka Sturgis, MI 49091

Nominees are placed on a waiting list.

At the November meeting in Clare the Board of Directors will select approximately 30 1986 inductees from the waiting list in the order that nominations were received. The Board may alter the order if a nominee's circumstances (i.e. health, age) indicate merit in such a change.

Inductees are then notified an invited to the Hall of Fame Awards—Banquet on April 12, 1986 at Crisler Arena in Ann Arbor.

MHSFCA SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

by Dave Woodcock, Jenison

Very soon now, high school football coaches in Michigan will be receiving pamphlets concerning the scholarships that are awarded by the MHSFCA. The Scholarship Committee from time to time has received inquiries concerning the awarding of these scholarships. The following information is designed to help coaches aid their athletes in applying for the scholarship and possibly answer some questions they have themselves.

The first thing that the coach and applicant should do is read the pamphlet thoroughly and make sure that all the information required is forwarded to the committee. Failure to add any part could work against the applicant as the committee applies a numerical value to each piece of information presented.

Once all the applications are ceived, and here again the coach an help his athlete by making sure that the applicant meets the deadline, the committee begins its deliberations. The committee has worked long and hard to devise a method by which there is almost no subjectivety in their selections. Each area that the candidate is to be evaluated in is assigned a numerical value that is determined by what the candidate submits to the committee.

The grading of each applicant s as follows:

- their class ranks is determined by the rank divided by the size X 100 for a maximum of 100 points.
- 2) their GPA is divided by 4.0 X 150 for a maximum of 150 points
- their future plans are given 25 points for a major and 25 points for a career choice for a maximum of 50 points.
- 4) their ACT Composite Score for a maximum of 100 points.
- 25 points per letter of recommendation for a maximum of 75 points.

- a biographical statement for a maximum of 25 points.
- 25 points for all activities outside of athletics in school or outside of school for a maximum of 300 points.

After the committee members have totaled all of these areas for the number of applicants that have been assigned to them, they bring these to the April meeting in Ann Arbor to select the final four. Each member will present the top 4 or 5 candidates as determined mathematically and if there are no unusual circumstances affecting any of the candidates, the top four will be selected.

It has been unusual in the past but there could be some extraordinary circumstances to enter into the deliberations at this last and final point, but as was mentioned before this does not and has not occurred recently.

It is hoped by the committee that this information will aid you, the coaches, in helping your athletes to do a good job when applying for our scholarship.

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We owe a big debt of gratitude to these men for their contribution to Michigan High School Football.

The All-Star Committee is still struggling with ways to solve the problems involved with financing the major undertaking that the All-Star game has become. The committee is also working on ways to improve the selection process for players and the overall organization of the game and camp week. We need the help of the coaches of the state to make the game an even greater success. If you have suggestions or comments please contact me immediately. Plans for next years game are well under way! Tom Moshimer, Plymouth Salem H.S., 46181 Joy Rd., Canton, MI 48187.

M.H.S.F.C.A. Will Award Twelve Coach of The Year Awards To Assistant Coaches

The M.H.S.F.C.A., at its annual summer meetings, has decided to award the assistant coaches in your programs "Coach of the Year" awards. We all know that our success is only as good as the assistants that we are surrounded by.

The coaches association will award 4 varsity assistant coaches, 4 J.V. coaches, and 4 Jr. Hi./Ninth grade coaches of the year. If you have an outstanding, dedicated assistant in your program, please nominate him and return the form on the opposite side to: Mr. Gary Raff, Sexton High School, Lansing Michigan, 48910, by Nov. 14, 1985.

Both the varsity coach making the nomination and the assistant coach must be members of the M.H.S.F.C.A.

IMPORTANT DATES M.H.S.F.C.A. for 1985-86

JANUARY 24-25, 1986 14th Annual M.H.S.F.C.A. Clinic Battle Creek Stouffers Hotel

FEBRUARY 28, MARCH 1-2, 1986 COACH OF THE YEAR CLINIC Grand Rapids Marriott Inn

APRIL 12, 1986
M.H.S.F.C.A.
HALL OF FAME BANQUET
Crisler Arena - 6:00 p.m.
Featuring Guest Speaker
Bud Wilkinson

August 24, 1985

Dear Don.

Here is my check for the All-Star Game tickets you sent me. I enjoyed the game—everyone I talked to enjoyed the game. It seems to be getting easier to sell the tickets for the game every year. I, for one, hope the game will continue!

Sincerely, Keith Rochert

200 GAME WINNERS

	w	L	т
Bill Maskill, Galesburg-Augusta*	230	65	2
Jack Castignola, Trenton*	222	87	6
Okie Johnson,			
Muskegon Heights	212	105	17
Jack Streidl, Plainwell	202	102	9
Dick Soisson, Kalamazoo Hackett*	200	102	7
Coaches over 190 but un	der 200):	
Richard Mettlach, Crystal Falls*	196	57	5
Walt Braun, Marysville*	191	66	3

Notes:

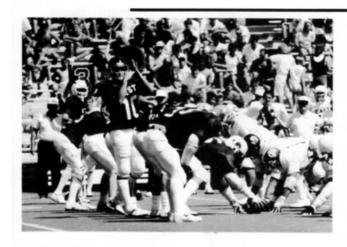
All figures include 1984 season. Asterisk (*) indicates still active in 1985; school shown is current location. For Okie Johnson, the majority of his career was at Muskegon Heights. All of Jack Streidl's games were at Plainwell.

IF YOU HAVE DATA ON ANY OTHER ACTIVE COACHES AT 185 WINS OR MORE AT THE START OF THE 1985 SEASON, PLEASE DROP A LINE TO DICK KISHPAUGH, 361 GLENDALE BLVD., PARCHMENT, MICHIGAN 49004.

M.H.S.F.C.A. Board of Director Meetings

December 4, 1985 10:00 a.m. at Clare

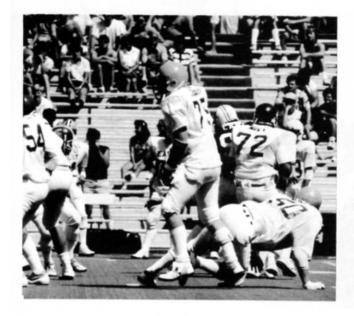
January 24, 1986 Clinic Meeting at B.C. Stouffer's Motel





Below:

MSU's George Perles and All-Star Game Chairman Tom Moshimer present game trophy to West Head Coach Dick Soisson (Kalamazoo Hackett).







C.M.U.'s Herb Deromedi did an outstanding job as featured speaker at Awards Banquet.
Joe Falls' (foreground) wit is well known, as Toastmaster his talent was evident.

Head Coach of the East Ken Kaestner (Livonia Churchill).





Bob Middleton on West Squad's sideline.