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By Jerry Rabideau, Clinic Chair he 2014 MHSFCA Annual Clinic promises to be another exciting and football packed event. We are making positive strides in moving the clinic to Lansing which delivers a highly desired central location for our state coaches along with incredible facilities that will accommodate all of our needs. Lansing and the Lansing Center will allow our clinic to grow and meet the needs of providing the best venue for all levels of coaching. From the youth levels through high school, our clinicians will provide ample learning opportunities for all of us. The clinic breakout sessions will include valuable learning in every facet of the game. Continues on page 5



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## MHSFCA **Meetings & Important Dates**

**Board of Directors Fall Meeting** Grand Traverse Resort 29-30 November 2014

**42nd Winners Circle Clinic** Lansing Radisson at the Capitol 16-18 January 2014

2014 Leadership Conference Lansing Radisson at the Capitol 3 February, 2014

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**Boarder Classic MI v OH All Star Game** University of Findlay 14 June 2014

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# **2014 Clinic Clinic Moves to Center of State**



Continued Professional Development will improve our game and will increase our teaching, coaching and leadership skills. (\*College Credit for the clinic is available; to register go to www.summerinstitutes.com. Accreditation will be provided by Pacific Lutheran University.)

Don't miss the Saturday morning Kick-Off sessions. 2013's "K-O" sessions included presentations by Mark Dantonio and Brady Hoke, Michigan NeuroSport and the MHSAA.

## New this year

- Expedited on-site registration.
- Association

## **Clinic Highlights:**

- Thursday Night sessions with registration beginning at 4 pm.
- Speakers will be available from 7 pm to 10 pm!
- Located in the lobby College Recruiting Tables where recruiting information can be delivered and you can spend time talking about your players to college coaches.
- Plenty of choices! Up to 9 concurrent breakout sessions.
- Huge amount of vendors on site with the most current football equipment, technology, uniforms and apparel available for inspection.
- at the Clinic Information Booth.
- the best in the Midwest Division 1 and Division 2 Universities.
- school coaches.
- the FOOD WILL BE SPECTACULAR!
- and board members.
- Unmatched service in one of the finest full service hotels in the Midwest.
- with restaurants and entertainment to meet your needs.

# **Winners' Circle Clinic January 16-18, 2014**

**Lansing Center** Host Hotel: Radisson Hotel Lansing at the Capitol

## **Register early!!!** By mail with the form below • On-line at MHSFCA.com

## **Register by 13 December 2013 and save \$10**

Register by mail by 13 Dec 2013...... \$90.00

Register Online by 3 Jan 2014 ..... \$90.00 \*Watch Your email for the opening of Online Registration!

Register at the door starting at 4:00 pm 16 Jan 2014 ... \$100.00 On-site registration will begin at 4:00 pm Thursday, 16 Jan 2014

Reservations: Radisson Hotel Lansing at the Capitol 111 N. Grand Ave., Lansing, MI 48933 (800) 967-9033 • http://www.radisson.com/lansing-hotel-mi-48933/lansing Mention MHSFCA Clinic

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# **SAVE \$\$** - Register EARLY • Deadline 13 Dec 2013 when registering by mail

One coach per registration form! Reproduce this sheet for each coach on your staff.

Name	Check #
Home Address	Amount: \$90 Date
CityState	_Zip
Phone ()	MAIL TO: Steve Wilson
Email	3010 Elm St.
School Name	Fruitport, MI 49415 Make ALL Checks Payable to:
School Phone ()	MHSFCA
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on-site registration.

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#### • Revamped and simplified on-line registration. \* Watch Your email for the opening of Online Registration!

• A special Saturday morning program with breakout sessions entirely geared for youth football coaches. This program will be coordinated through Brad Dickey and Michigan Youth Athletics

• Friday evening Awards Banquet in the Ballroom. This is a first class event honoring our State Champions and various award winners who have made a positive impact on our sport. There is no cost but plan to stay through the entire event (5:30 to 7:30 pm). See you there! Tickets available

• Friday morning "Kickoff Session" with Head Coaches and Offensive / Defensive Coordinators from

• Sessions are designed for high school coaches with many of the presentations being made by high

• Friday Evening Reception in the Ballroom after speaker presentations. All coaches are welcome and

• Saturday morning features a Youth Football Program specifically geared for youth football coaches

• The Lansing site offers a complete football experience along with an exceptional downtown area





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# **MHSFCA Regions & Board Elections - EVEN Regions**

egional Directors in EVEN numbered regions will be selected in online elections in January 2014. If you are interested in running as a director in an EVEN numbered region, you should contact Steve Wilson by email: swilson.fpt@gmail.com or USPS mail: Steve Wilson, 33010 Elm, Fruitport, MI 49415-9665 to have your name placed on the ballot. Regions are assigned by conference affiliation and then by geographic location with some exceptions. Regions were re-numbered in 2013 to reflect changing league alignments and numbers of schools. All 8-man football teams are now in Region 18.

## **MHSFCA Regions (# of Schools)**

#### **Region 1 (33)**

Great Northern U.P. Conference Great Western Conference Sault Ste Marie Mid-Eastern Football Conference Mid-Peninsula Athletic Conference Ski-Valley Conference North: Pickford Rudyard St. Ignace LaSalle Western Peninsula Athletic Conf.

### **Region 2 (44)**

**Big North Conference** Highland Conference Cheboygan Lake Michigan Conference North Star League Northwest Conference Straits Area Conference Ski-Valley Conference North: Indian River Inland Lakes Pellston Rogers City Ski-Valley Conference South Traverse City St. Francis

### **Region 3 (34)**

Central State Activities Association Manistee H. S. Muskegon Catholic Central Muskegon Heights Lakes-8 Activities Conference Mid-State Ath Conference North West Michigan Conference

#### **Region 4 (44)**

Huron Shores Conference Bay City John Glenn Pinconning Standish-Sterling Jack Pine Conference Mid-State Ath Conference South Tri-Valley Conference - Central Tri-Valley Conference - West

### **Region 5 (43)**

Saginaw Buena Vista Saginaw Nouvel Saginaw Valley Association North Saginaw Valley Association South Flint Metro League Genesee Area Conference - Blue Genesse Area Conference - Red

#### **Region 6 (49)**

Ottawa-Kent Conference - Silver Ottawa-Kent Conference - White Ottawa-Kent Conference - Black Ottawa-Kent Conference - Green Ottawa-Kent Conference - Blue Ottawa-Kent Conference - Bronze Ottawa-Kent Conference - Gold Ottawa-Kent Conference - Red Wyoming Tri-Unity Christian

#### **Region 7 (36)**

Lakeland Athletic Conference Red Arrow Conference Saint Joseph Valley League Southwestern Athletic Conf - North Southwestern Athletic Conf- South Wolverine Conference North Wolverine Conference South

### **Region 8 (34)**

Big "8" Conference Kalamazoo Valley Ath Assoc. Southwestern MI Ath Conf - East Southwestern MI Ath Conf - West

#### **Region 9 (36)**

Capital Area Activities Conf. - Blue Capital Area Activities Conf. - Gold Capital Area Activities Conf. - Red Capital Area Activities Conf. - White Central Michigan Athletic Conf.

#### **Region 10 (33)**

Cascades Conference Albion Leslie Lenawee County Athletic Assoc Southern Central Ath Association Tri-County Conference

### **Region 11 (36)**

Blue Water Area Conference Greater Thumb Conference - East Greater Thumb Conference - West Mayville Tri-Valley Conference - East

### **Region 12 (36)**

Kensington Lakes Athletic Association - Central Kensington Lakes Ath Assoc- North Kensington Lakes Ath Assoc - South Kensington Lakes Ath Assoc - West Southeastern Conference - Red Southeastern Conference - White

### **Region 13 (38)**

Downriver League Huron League Inkster Melvindale Academy for Bus & Tech Michigan Metro Athl Conf Western Wayne Ath Confee - Blue Western Wayne Ath Conf - Red

#### **Region 14 (30)**

Catholic High School League - AA Catholic HS League - Intersectional 1 Catholic League - Central Charter School Conference Dearborn Hts Star Int Acad Detroit Country Day Michigan Independent Athl Conf

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#### **Region 15 (18)**

Detroit Cesar Chavez Academy Detroit Henry Ford Academy Detroit Public School League - East Detroit Public School League - West

### **Region 16 (28)**

Hamtramck Harper Woods Livonia Clarenceville Oakland Activities Assoc - Blue Oakland Activities Assoc - Red Oakland Activities Assoc - White

### **Region 17 (36)**

Macomb Area Conference - Blue Macomb Area Conference - Bronze Macomb Area Conference - Gold Macomb Area Conference - Red Macomb Area Conference - Silver Macomb Area Conference - White

#### **Region 18 (31)** Bridge 8-Man Alliance

Mid-Michigan 8-Man North Central Thumb 8-Man League South Michigan 8-Man League St. Joseph Michigan Lutheran

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- Directors are responsible for the management of I. affairs, funds and property of the association.
- Directors will promote membership in their region II.
  - A. Secure total membership count for region fro the membership Chair
  - B. Contact delinquent members urging re-enro ment.
- Represent the interests of the Association and III. region at all Association Meetings.
  - A. Assume the duties relating to the commit assignment(s) made by the President. Prome all activities of the MHSFCA in his region
  - B. At the Summer Meetings, participate in commit work and bring names of honorary membersh for nomination. Be available to help with whatev needs to be done to make the MHSFCA All-S Game successful.
  - C. At the Fall meeting, come prepared with Coa of the Year responsibilities completed.
    - 1. Contact any coach from your region receivi a Regional Coach of the Year award.
    - 2. Make sure each honored coach is in attendar at the January clinic for his presentation.
  - D. Prior to January elections, if running for re-election, swilson.fpt@gmail.com

# **Coach-To-Coach Mentoring Program**

HSFCA members are again invited to stop by ver had a question about how to do your job as a coach the 7th floor Rooftop Suite hospitality room and not know where to turn for an answer? Need at the State Final games 29-30 Nov. (You must the name of an experienced coach who you could talk be a member for admission - membership will be available at our Association table in solving that problem? The MHSFCA has initiated a the Atrium. Immediate family members are invited to accompany members.) More coaches each year take advantage of this opportunity to network with associates from across the state while watching the games from a great vantage point. Join us! Limited refreshments will be available.

to in confidence about answering that question - or new "mentoring" program that you can turn to for this kind of help. Called Coach-To-Coach, that is exactly what it is. Experienced coaches who have a long standing relationship with the MHSFCA (Past Presidents, Regional Directors, Committee Members, etc.) have agreed to have their names and contact information listed at MHSFCA.com as volunteer mentors. If you have something you need help with, look over the list, contact one (or more) of the Coach-To-Coach volunteers. Each of the volunteers has several years of coaching experience. Get their advice. It's free and confidential.

Find the list of Coach-To-Coach volunteers at

## MHSFCA.com

You must be a member of MHSFCA to access this service. Join online at MHSFCA.com

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## **Duties of Regional Directors**

the		be sure your name has been properly placed on the ballot. If not seeking re-election, encourage at least two coaches from your region to run.
on:		E. Attend the MHSFCA Winners Circle Clinic and
om		be prepared to assume at least one Clinic respon- sibility. Bring a gift for a door prize.
oll-		
	IV.	Serve as an active member of whatever committee you were appointed to by the President.
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tee ote tee	V.	Report to your region all urgent business trans- acted or discussed as soon as possible. Keep a record of all expenses incurred in such cases of necessary communication and submit to the Exec- utive Director for reimbursement.
ver Star	VI.	Be ethical in all your football relationships so as to be a model to the coaches in your region.
ach		have your name placed on the ballot ntact Steve Wilson in writing (email
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	Fruitport, MI 49415-9665

# **State Final Games Hospitality @ Ford Field**

# **2013 Game A Win for the East 20-3**

ith the recent kickoff to another long awaited season of Michigan HS football the 2013 edition of the MHSFCA All Star

game becomes a pleasant memory for most HS football fans. The week at Grand Valley State University was nothing short of remarkable. The GVSU staff and everybody associated with the game went above and beyond to guarantee that every player and coach had a truly first class experience. For those of us on the All Star Committee we could not be happier at how our 2013 game was received and look forward to what lies ahead.

For Final Rosters, photos and complete Stats for the 2013 East West All Star Game go to MHSFCA.com.

#### **1st Annual Border Classic Draws Nearer With Each Passing Day**

s we look into the future we can't help but get excited about the direction our All Star Game is heading. The MHSFCA in cooperation with the Ohio Football Coaches Association have been working together on a Michigan versus Ohio All Star format. The game, billed as the Michigan vs. Ohio HS football Border Classic, will be held at the University of Findlay on June 14, 2014. Each state will field a team consisting of the best 40 high school football players they have to offer. In addition to the players each state will be sending a coaching staff that represents the best of what HS football embodies in their respective states.

will also be some changes in how we will assemble our Michigan team. In regards to selecting the coaching staff we will draw upon the knowledge and experience of our regional directors to come up with the best staff possible. At the conclusion of the 2013 regular season each pair of regional directors will be asked to nominate one coach from their region for a spot on the All Star coaching staff.



**All Star Game Changes** 2014 Game Will Pit 40 Best from **Michigan Against 40 Best from Ohio** 



Obviously with such a drastic change in format there Once each region has nominated one coach the MHSFCA All Star committee will meet and select the coaching staff from the pool of 18 nominations. The committee will announce the coaching staff at the annual General Meeting at the clinic.

One of the biggest responsibilities that will fall on our 2014 coaching staff will be selecting the players to fill out the roster. Again, this will prove to be somewhat different

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### **Boarder Classic Game Plans**

than in the past. First of all the makeup of the team is differ- the past. We will have a liaison assigned to each side of the ent. Gone are the restrictions on how many players from a state and once the coaching staff identifies a player they specific class of school. Also, you can have as many as two want on the team it will be the liaison that reaches out to players chosen from the same school. Even the number of first the HS coach and ultimately the player to secure that players for each position is gone. The coaching staff will player on the roster. choose the 40 players that they feel best represent the talent As you can see there is a lot to be excited for as our in our state and offer the best chance to compete with the calendar continues to move toward the 14 June 2014 Border players from Ohio. Coaches will no longer fill out a formal Classic game date. It is our sincere hope that the Michigan nomination form for players from their school. The coachvs. Ohio HS Football Border Classic soon evolves into the ing staff will have the ability to identify any player from premier interstate All Star football game in the United the state of Michigan and choose him for the team. Our States. Good luck to all of our members and Go Michigan liaisons will still have a vital role just as they have had in beat Ohio in 2014!

#### **The Recruiting Process:**

College coaches will continue to acquire prospect information from high school coaches. They discount information from commercial recruiting services. These relationships are bas on a trust built over time. Every college coach wants truthful relationship with the high school coach. Inflat numbers, dishonest evaluations can hurt the high scho coach's future recruits.

#### The role of the high school coach:

- 1. Supply viewable game tapes, in winter of junior year for most D1, middle to end of season for seniors.
- 2. Provide accurate student bio information and a copy of the high school transcript.
- 3. Complete the NCAA approved recruiting services forms so the prospects are listed in the publication.
- 4. Attend the MHSFCA December recruiting fairs. A number of colleges will only recruit our state at these fairs.

### The role of the Student-Athlete:

- 1. Attend College Camps: This is where most college scholarships are awarded. Attend and perform at the different college camps in front of college coaches. College coaches want information they can trust. Performing on a college campus and against other prospects can reinforce a prospect's evaluation. Camp dates are on every web site.
- 2. Game Tapes: College coaches evaluate student athletes based on real game tape footage. Make sure the college coaches have your game tape at the appropriate time (December of Junior year for D1). If they feel you are a real prospect, they will connect with you or your coach (given NCAA restrictions). The higher the division desired, the earlier the tapes are needed. For example, some D1 offers could be based on sophomore tape and most are based on junior game tape.



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# Recruiting

#### **Coaches, Student Athletes and Parents:**

on	1. Understand the NCAA and NAIAA cademic Eligibility rules
<u>om</u>	before the student athlete's ninth grade year begins. The
ed	NCAA continues to add more restrictions to their eligibility
s a	process. Academic eligibility begins with the first semester
ed	report card in the 9th grade. All students and parents need
ool	to calculate the students NCAA CORE GPA every semester
	beginning with the 9th grade.

#### 2. The overall GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) is the most important number in the recruiting process. The higher the GPA above a 3.0, the more athletic opportunities are available. The most important high school report card is the first semester of the student athletes ninth grade.

3. Academic Scholarships are Guaranteed: College athletic scholarships are limited and in high demand. Academic scholarships are available at all colleges and universities. All students can earn academic scholarships but athletic offers are determined by the evaluation of college coaches. Again, the most important report card is high school is the first semester of the 9th grade year.

**Coach - You NEED to Watch the FREE** WEBINAR detailing the Recruiting Process and Requirements available on the home page at MHSFCA.com!

Your athletes, their Parents and your school Counselors **NEED to watch the Webinar!** 

Watch your IN-BOX for **December's MHSFCA Recruiting Fairs** and **Seminars Schedule!** 



NCAA/NAIA/JUCO Counselor, Coach, AD Eligibility and Recruiting Webinar Click to listen and learn

WEBINAR

## **MHSFCA Newsletter • October 2013 •** page 10 **Award Nominations • Due by November 15**

## **Hall of Fame**

100 Career Wins and/or 20 Years Coaching!

If you are aware of deserving Michigan High School Football Coaches who meet either of these two criteria and are not yet members of the MHSFCA Hall of Fame nominate them now. Don't assume someone else has taken the initiative!

To nominate a coach for membership in the Hall of Fame a letter is required. It must be received by Jack Carlson, MHSFCA Historian, before November 15 so that the nomination can be confirmed and considered at the Fall Board o Directors Meeting. Send nominations to:

*Iack Carlson* MHSFCA Historian 2195 Lakeridge Drive Holland, MI 49423

# Assistant **Coach of Year**

The award for Assistant Coach of the Year includes a category for a coach who has been a head coach, then returned to an assistant position in order to stay active in the sport. A nomination form, available at MHSFCA.com points out the requirement of ten years experience as an assistant. Due November 15.

Nominees MUST BE MEMBERS of the MHSFCA!

Send nominations to:

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## **Steve Spicer** Leadership

The Steve Spicer Memorial Team Leadership Award honors high schools throughout the State of Michigan who exemplify the legacy left to us by Steve Spicer, the former head football coach at Fowler High School. Steve was an outstanding coach, teacher, husband, father and community leader before his untimely battle with cancer took him from us. Steve, a member of our Football Coaches Hall of Fame, had an outstanding coaching record along with capturing a state football title while at Fowler. He was a great role model for the players he coached and the students he taught.

Send nominations to: Dave Lawrence Leadership Chair 6675 Wheeler Rd. Dexter, MI 48130 dcndlawrence@fgrhsaa.org

# **Jim Crowley**

The Jim Crowley Award is given in memory of the late, former head coach at Jackson Lumen Christi High School, a great coach and dedicated family man who was tragically killed at the height of his career. The award honors individuals who have made special contributions to the game of football and the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association.

If you would like to nominate an individual for this most prestigious award, please send a letter of nomination. Send nominations to: Larry Sellers 4380 Ridgemoor Dr. Traverse City, MI 49684

The Fran Herrington Award is presented in the memory of the late wife of John Herrington (Farmington Hills Harrison). Fran was a tremendous part of their football program and school community who gave tirelessly of her time and energy. She helped in creating a successful football program in her community, and she also worked on a number of projects for the MHSFCA. This award is presented annually to honor those women who have contributed their time, energy and expertise in promoting high school football in their community and the state of Michigan. This award is presented at the MHSFCA clinic in January.

Send nominations to: Steve Robb (734) 439-5060 robbs@milanareaschools.org

# Also At **MHSFCA.com**

### **Alliance Award Nomination**

**Future Teachers/Coaches Information Sheet** 

**MHSCA/Gatorade Coaching Service Award** 

**Coaches' Placement Data Base** 

**Scholarship Application** 

# **Fran Herrington** Woman of the Year

ichigan High School Football Coaches Association and Glazier Football Clinics share a passion for educating football coaches and providing opportunities for coaches to succeed on and off the field. An ongoing partnership between the two organizations began in 2010 and continues to give Michigan football coaches access to excellent football education. Combined, they'll host three Michigan clinics in 2014, including Glazier clinics in Detroit and Grand Rapids and the MHSFCA clinic in Lansing.

#### **Access to Local Glazier Clinics**

Glazier Football Clinics offers a Staff Season Pass, The Glazier Clinics Season Pass also provides coaches which allows an entire coaching staff to attend any of 34 with 24/7 football education by including a one-year Glazier clinics nationwide in 2014 for only \$369. Register membership to Glazier Clinic Online. There, coaches can online at www.glazierclinics.com/coaching\_clinics/regaccess over 1,200 sets of clinic speaker notes, over 300 ister. Glazier clinics nationwide feature talented speakers hours of online video and over 250 archived webinars. and a variety of topics. Finally, the Season Pass includes 10 live eClinics, streamed The Michigan Glazier clinics boast a premier speakfor high-quality viewing to a coach's home or office.

ing lineup, including coaches from the Detroit Lions, Together, MHSFCA and Glazier Clinics provide the University of Iowa, Michigan State University, the coaches with the resources to take their teams to the next University of Minnesota, the New York Giants, and many level. We wish you the best as you finish the 2013 season more. Besides the Michigan Glazier clinics, other regional strong! Glazier clinics include Chicago, Indianapolis, Cleveland, and Cincinnati.

> "Our staff buys a Glazier pass every year and we attend Glazier Clinics with our coaches grades 7-12. It is a big part of our offseason development plan for our coaches. Our staff has benefited tremendously from the knowledge they have gained at the Glazier *Clinics over the years."*

Derek Pennington – Zeeland East HS, MI

For speaker application or recommendation, e-mail Allen Means at ameans@glazierfootballclinics.com



## **2013 All Star Game DVD**

Get your copy of the 2013 All Star Game DVD today. Produced by MHSAA the DVD is a high quality record of the 33rd Annual MHSFCA All Star Football Game.

Send your check for \$10 made to MHSFCA to:

**Jack Carlson** 2195 Lakeridge Dr. **Holland, MI 49424** 



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# **Glazier Clinics & MHSFCA Deliver Michigan Football Coaches Great Opportunities for Education**

**2014 Michigan Glazier Clinics:** Detroit – February 13-15 **Grand Rapids – February 21-23** 

#### **Online Football Education**

For updated Glazier Clinic registration information, visit our website at www.GlazierClinics.com.

#### Do a reading program in an elementary school? Apply for this award!

## Adrenaline/MHSFCA **Community Service Reading Award**

he Adrenaline/MHSFCA Community Service *Reading Program is a community service project in* **Send to:** *Grant Fanning* which high school student athletes are matched-up with elementary teachers and their students. The high school football players sit-in on the elementary classroom one class period per week, (at least during the football season) and read to the students.

Adrenaline has pledged to fund the Community Service • Reading Award and provide us with two \$500 dollar grants for award winning programs. The grants, to the elementary schools that participated in the reading programs, are for the purchase of library books.

#### **Application Due: 15 November**

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#### Include:

- Your name, school, email, phone and address
- A letter of recommendation from a school administrator in a participating elementary school
- A description of qualifying activities ٠

## **Erie National Wing-T Clinic**

#### Friday, Jan. 24th - Saturday, Jan. 25th • Embassy Suites Pittsburgh - International Airport Sponsored by Legends Fitness 1-800-770-7781

All the Coaches that attended this past January felt that the Embassy Suite was a huge upgrade from the Holiday Inn. It is a much better, more professional setting, the rooms are nicer, and the meeting rooms are a little bigger. Everything that we do, including the Hospitality room will stay intact. The room rates will be \$85.00 dollars per night. All of the rooms are 2 room suites. They all have a kitchen and family room area. Two queen beds and single bed rooms are available plus all of the rooms have a couch that pulls out to a double bed with a quality mattress. So even the king bed rooms are actually doubles.

#### Reservations: 412-269-9070 or 800-embassy (362-2779)

We are expecting over 500 Wing-T Coaches this year. The hotel will fill up fast (It filled up early last year), so if you are interested, please call the hotel and get your reservations in as soon as possible. See the Website for all of the updates.

Questions and to get the most updated info: www.nationalwingtclinic.com and / or call: 814-824-2269 or E-mail: therman@ mercyhurst.edu

Speaker Levels: A = Advanced, Y/A = Relative to High School and Youth *Coaches. Y* = *More relative to Youth Coaches* 

- Bruce Cobliegh, Game Planning & Coaching the Multiple Hybrid A Wing-T Jet/ Rocket Offense
- Α Jeff Herron, Former Camden County Georgia, Traditional & Shot Gun Wing-T
- Dewayne Alexander, Multiple ways of running your Wing-T Α Offense from Under Center and from the Gun
- *Rich Erdelyi, New Innovations with the Wing-T* Α
- Rick Darlington, Single Wing, Wing-T Α
- Y/A Gerry Gallagher, RB Fundamentals and Traditional Wing-T Topics
- Y/A Tom Herman, Wing-T Offensive Line Technique and Blocking the Traditional + Jet/Rocket Wing-T Offense
- Y/A Dave McDonald, Will definitely speak this year for 3 Hours, No *Huddle Wing-T From the GUN and From Under Center*
- Y/A Don Smolyn, Traditional to Contemporary Wing-T Topics
- Y/A Glenn McNew, Organizing, Implementing and Defending the Wing-T
- Ray Olsen, Youth Football Youth Wing-T, O/Line & Jet Wing-T Υ Offense
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#### Erie National Wing-T Clinic Registration Form 2013 www.nationalwingtclinic.com

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Include names of each coach you are registering.





Michigan High School Athletic Association 2013 Football Finals Schedule

#### Friday, Nov. 28, 2013

Division 8	10 am
Division 2	1 pm
Division 6	4:30 pm
Division 4	7:30 pm

MHSAA standard ticket prices are \$10 per day or \$10 per exit and reentry. The MHSAA will extend to the Michigan Football Coaches Association members two options for purchasing tickets at a reduced price. This order form and payment must be received in the MHSAA office no later than Mon., Oct. 28, 2013. Tickets will be mailed to the school for which you coach.

### **OPTION 1: INDIVIDUAL TICKETS**

#### Friday, Nov. 28, 2013

Division 8 Division 2 X \$8= Division 6 # of tickets Division 4

#### **OPTION 2: TEAM PURCHASE OF 25 OR MORE TICKETS**

#### Friday, Nov. 28, 2013 25 OR MORE TICKETS ONLY

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# 2013 Football Finals

#### Finals Preferred Ticket Order Form For Members of the MHSFCA Only

Saturday, Nov. 29, 2013

Division 7	10 am
Division 1	1 pm
Division 5	4:30 pm
Division 3	7:30 pm





## Inside the Stripes • September, 2013 **Football Rule School - The Passing Game**

By Mark Uyl, MHSAA Assistant Director NCAA Football Official

long pass is thrown deep down the sideline as the receiver and defensive back are sprinting stride-for-stride. As the ball begins to approach the two players, contact takes place and both players fall to the ground while coaches, players and fans from both sides are looking for a flag. This scenario plays out in nearly every single game played at all levels of football. My space in this month's newsletter will shed some light on what training and information officials receive when it comes to pass interference.

Let's first start with some forward pass "basics". At the start of each play, the offense has six eligible forward pass receivers - the quarterback, two ends on the line of scrimmage and three backfield players (running back, slot, etc). To be eligible to catch a forward pass, these six players have to be wearing a legal number (1-49 or 80-99) and line up in an eligible position (end of the line or in the backfield). There is no way a player wearing number 50-79 can ever "report in" and be an eligible receiver, even if he lines up on the end of the line or in the backfield. Note that scrimmage kick formations on 4th down are an exception to this rule.

When it comes to pass interference, you can only have offensive pass interference (OPI) or defensive pass interference (DPI) when a legal forward pass crosses the neutral zone. In other words, you can never have a pass interference foul if the forward pass is touched or caught behind the line. This why there is no foul when offensive blockers release downfield and make early contact when a screen pass is caught behind the line of scrimmage. On a screen pass, the defensive team can make early contact against an offensive receiver behind the line of scrimmage because there would not be DPI. However, the defense could not tackle the receiver behind the line as this would be a foul for defensive holding. Remember that once the ball is touched by a player (offense or defense), there can be no pass interference.

If an official believes pass interference has occurred, we teach that you need to put that illegal contact into one of the six categories of pass interference (OPI or DPI). The categories and explanation of the six categories of pass interference are:

- 1. Arm Bar: player places his arm across an opponent and restricts his movement toward the ball. Many times this is done even when the defender is looking back at the ball; officials must focus on the placement of the arm to see if significant restriction of movement has taken place.
- 2. Hold: grasping of an opponent while the ball is in the air. If this takes place before the ball is thrown, the foul is holding, not pass interference.
- 3. Not Playing the Ball & Early Contact: player is not making a play on the ball in an effort to catch or bat the pass. This often takes place when one player is "beaten" on the play and is trailing the player attempting to catch the ball. Remember that contact cannot occur until the ball has been touched by a player. Note that under HS rules, you can have a foul for "face-guarding" when a player waves his hands/arms in front of an opponent's face without contact.

- 4. Playing Through the Back: player makes a play on the ball while coming through the back of and contacting an opponent who has already established his position and is moving toward the ball. This could also fall into the category of early contact, as well.
- 5. Hook and Twist: this play often looks "clean" from the front as the defender gets one arm in front of the receiver and bats the ball away. However, attention must go to the other arm to see if the arm has "hooked" the opponent around the waist and turns or twists that player as he reaches in front with the other arm. To have a foul for a hook and twist, the "off arm" must hook and twist the opponent.
- 6. Cut-Off: player cuts off the path of an opponent who has established a path to the ball. This cut off must clearly impede the opponent.

Pass interference restrictions begin on every play at different times for the offense and defense. For the offense, OPI restrictions begin at the snap. In other words, an offensive player (even an eligible receiver) may not go downfield and block an opponent when later during that same play a legal forward pass has crossed the line of scrimmage. This would be a foul for OPI. For the defense, DPI restrictions begin when the forward pass is released! The defense can commit a foul such as holding before the ball is thrown, but not DPI fouls can occur until a legal forward pass has been thrown beyond the line.

The six eligible receivers remain eligible during the down unless they voluntarily go out of bounds, or do not return inbounds immediately after being blocked or pushed out of bounds. If the pass touches the defensive player or an official, all 11 offensive players become eligible immediately. Remember that both the offensive and defensive player has an equal right to a forward pass. There will be times where both players are making a legal play on the ball and contact will occur. Unless that contact can "fit" into one of the categories of pass interference, you likely have no foul on that play and simply have incidental contact. All contact does not automatically result in a foul! When a foul has occurred, remember that the penalty is 15 yards from the previous spot against the offending team. New in 2013, pass interference fouls no longer carry an automatic first down (DPI) or loss of down (OPI).

Please know that high school football rules handle pass interference rules much differently than NCAA or NFL play. These college and pro levels have spot fouls, uncatchable pass scenarios where fouls are waved off, and no half-the-distance modifications when DPI takes place inside the 17 yard line.

# MHSFCA Newsletter • October 2013 • page 15 **MHSFCA Partnership with NFL and American Cancer Society (ACA) A Crucial Catch Game**

e at the American Cancer Society are excited to partner with the Michigan High School Football Association, State Champs and the Detroit Lion's on this year's NFL - A Crucial Catch initiative during the month of Octo-

ber to fight breast cancer!! For those of you who have not heard, the NFL is now reaching out to high school coaches to get involved in this important effort! You may have seen an email from Andy Reid, Coach of the Eagles encouraging you to join in. Thank you to all of the coaches who have already contacted me and have agreed to host a "pink" game during the month of October! If you are planning a game and haven't touched base with me, please do ASAP so I can provide you with materials to help make your game successful and easy!

If you haven't been able to find a spot in your schedule to he a game, you can still do something to join in the fight! Below are couple easy ways for your team to still be involved even if you car host a game this season. First step is to sign up on our website acrucialcatchmichigan.org. There are a ton of resources there to help

*Other ways to participate include:* 

- Contact me to obtain Crucial Catch football cutouts that yo players can sell at lunches and parents can sell at games f \$1 and create a wall of hope at your school.
- Sign up online at acrucialcatchmichigan.org and create a tea page. Then get your players and parents to join your page a send emails to family and friends asking for \$5 or \$10 dor tions. (The website tracks all schools so challenge your tea to be number 1!)

# **Local Program Earns Big Money for Michigan Teams and Schools**

new, local business is revolutionizing the fundraising industry, one click at a time. <u>HelpSave.it</u> is an innovative fundraising program launched right here in Michigan that combines tried-and-true best practices of fundraising while harnessing the ever growing popularity of social media and online campaigns.



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From the ACA

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The HelpSave.it program, with headquarters in Farmington Hills, offers teams, schools and other organizations an effective and easy-to-execute fundraising program with two ways to sell their product. The program operates with a traditional method, complete with order takers and marketing materials; and a digital program, which centers around online campaigns that lets groups sell using social media and email marketing.

"In my 25 plus years of education, it is one of the best fundraisers I have seen," says Bob Lucas, Athletic Director for Camden County Tech.

Combining the best of both worlds has proven to be a successful recipe for the many schools and sports teams across the state who have launched HelpSave.it campaigns. Participants are averaging \$60 to \$100 in profit, which is not hard to do with an average 50% return rate, a number unheard of with most fundraising products and programs.

And what is the <u>HelpSave.it</u> product? Not the wrapping paper and cookie dough we've become accustom to over the years — Help-Save.it is an online savings club. For \$20, your supporters can purchase a one-year membership to access every deal on the site with savings of up to 50% on the things they do and use everyday. From restaurants to theme parks and big name chains to favorite mom and pop shops, HelpSave.it has a special offer for everything.

"Our family has always focused on supporting Michigan schools, sports programs and non-profits,» says HelpSave.it CEO Stuart Arkin. "We created an incredible program that raises more money in less time for our coaches and teachers, and our discounts bring people to local businesses and save them real money."

If you are interested in launching a HelpSave.it campaign for your team, contact Joel Sellentine directly at joel@helpsave.it or (810) 835-7885



To purchase your Season Pass & to check out the additional benefits of the Temium Season Pass.

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# 2013 Little Caesars Pizza Bowl 6:00 Kick-Off • Thursday, 26 December

The Little Caesars Pizza Bowl and its corporate sponsors make this very special offer to Michigan high school football teams

## Bring your team to the 2013 Little Caesars Pizza Bowl!

Get up to 40 tickets FREE, courtesy of Lttle Ceasar Bowl sponsors.

\*You must arrange your own transportation.\*Additional (over 40) tickets available at the special price of \$20 each. Complete the form below and e-mail it to: motorcitybowlhstickets@gmai.com - ASAP! - but no later than Dec. 17 at 5 p.m.

1. We will confirm receipt of your request by e-mail no later than December 21. 2. You may pick up your tickets at the Tiger Club lobby at Comerica Park (across from Ford Field) between 3:30

p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Dec. 26th.

\*If arriving by bus: The Ford Field bus parking area opens two hours before game time (4:00 p.m.). Enter the bus unloading and staging area on Service Drive, north of Comerica Park (directions to be provided on confirmation fax).

E-Mail the following to: motorcitybowlhstickets@gmai.com • Deadline 5:00 pm, 17 Dec!

School

Coach who will sign for tickets on game day at Comerica Park's Tiger Club (Name)

Cell/home # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail:



We would like to attend the bowl game, but we need fewer than 40 tickets.

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In addition to the 40 tickets offered to our school, we would like to purchase the following number of additional tickets at \$20 each:

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# **MHSFCA Membership Benefits**

### Did you know that:

One of the benefits of MHSFCA *membership is liability insurance* through the MHSCA and NOCAD.



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# LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

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- 1. Coached football for twenty years at any level.
- 2. Previously a MHSFCA Member.
- 3. Retired from coaching.
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