

2005 COACHES VS CANCER ALL STAR FESTIVAL

Exciting games were the norm at this year's 26th Annual All Star Festival. Attendance at Brighton High School was a little better this year as a result of moving the games from June to August. Almost \$1000 was raised by pre-game ticket sales that will be donated to Coaches vs Cancer.

In the first game, the Women's C/D Black team nipped the White team by a single point, 75-74. Michelle DeNooyer (Kalamazoo Christian) led the Black team in scoring with 14 points. Jessica Pike (Clawson) added 13 points and DePrice Taylor (Harper Woods Trinity Catholic) was named Team MVP for her outstanding all-around performance including 10 points. The White C/D team was led by Teghan Thelen (Pewamo Westphalia) with 14 points. Rounding out the scoring for the White team was Carly Benson (Carney Nadeau) with 13 points, Katie Stoll (Central Lake) and Briann Bryant (Clare) both had 10 points.

The next game was as close as the first with the Girls White A/B team defeating the Black team 70-69. MSU bound Jenny Poff (St. Johns) was named Team MVP with her 21 point effort including 3 3-pointers. Latiha Lockett (Detroit Country Day) added 15 points. For the Black team, Marissa Thrower (Detroit Renaissance) was named her team's MVP for her 16 point effort. Lauren Aitch (Lansing Waverly) added 15 points and Angel Chan (Wyoming Park) scored 12. Miss BB Tiffany Shives (Lansing Christian) was held out of action by a lingering injury.

The Boys C/D game went down to the wire with the Black team holding on for a 88-81 victory. Brandon McClary (Bellaire) had an MVP performance with 20 points to lead all scorers. Jared Hunt (Charlevoix) helped the cause with 18 points and Chris Ledesma (Lawrence) added 12 points. The White team was led by MVP Kyle Danoff's (East Jordan) 18 points. Kevin Calahan (Carsonville Port Sanilac) knocked down 13 points while teammate David Burrin (Lansing Christian) added 12 points.

Wilson Chandler (Benton Harbor) showed his Mr. Basketball ability by leading the A/B Black team to a 121-115 victory. Chandler led his team with 22 points. Joseph Young (Battle Creek Central) had 21 points, Erik Kangas (DeWitt) 17 points, Andy Clark (Holt) 13 points, Rodney Alexander (Benton Harbor) 12 points, Travis Worst (GR Forest Hills Northern) 11 points, and Muhammad El-Amin (Holt) 10 points. The White team's MVP was Thad McFadden (Flint Southwestern Academy) who knocked down 23 points including 4 3-pointers. J'Nathon Bullock (Flint Northern) scored 17 points, Michael Bramos (Grosse Pointe North) 14 points, and Greg Hill (Redford Union) and Zack Gibson (Grand Blanc) each had 10 points.