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ASSISTANT COACH * DONALD BURNS Warren Woods High School

Donald Burns was a basketball coach for 42 years. His coaching career included both boys' and girls' teams throughout Michigan. Donald is remembered by his former players as dedicated, caring and serving as a good role model.

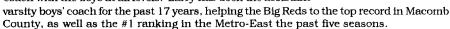
Donald's coaching career began in 1950 in St. Charles. He also made stops at Ionia, Mt. Clemens Chippewa Valley and finally at Warren Woods High School. Donald was a varsity coach for 30 years and assisted boys' and girls' programs for over 20 years. As a baseball coach he led St. Charles to a State Championship.

In 1991, Donald was elected to the Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Donald passed away this past spring and is survived by his wife Nina, his two sons and two daughters; David, Michael, Kathleen and Jeanne.

ASSISTANT COACH * LARRY CLEMANS Mt. Clemens Chippewa Valley High School

For the past 36 years, Larry Clemans has coached basketball at Chippewa Valley High School. His knowledge, dedication and the love of seeing young student-athletes succeed was evident during his years as coach as he helped both the boys' and girls' programs.

Larry played for the legendary Adolph Rupp at the University of Kentucky. He has coached both the boys and girls' varsity basketball teams as well as being an assistant coach with the boys at all levels. Larry has been the assistant



After his retirement from teaching, Larry became involved as a substance abuse counselor at Chippewa Valley. Larry is considered by many staff members as an outstanding educator. Larry has two sons, Timothy and David.



Many coaches are admired for championships won. Roger Ussery has been involved with many championship teams for the past 25 years, but is most admired for the extra time and effort he spends with the Detroit area youth.

Detroit Area Schools

Roger began coaching in 1974 as an assistant coach at Detroit Northeastern. Roger also made stops at Detroit East Catholic High School, Pershing High School and Frederick Douglas High School. He has assisted with the Wayne State University and University of Detroit college teams as well.

Roger has been involved with seven State Championship teams and is currently the girls' varsity coach at Detroit East Catholic High School.

In 1994 Roger was awarded by St. Anthony's of Detroit the Martin Luther King Award for his humanitarian contributions to the city of Detroit.

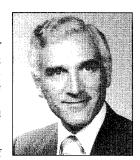
Roger's family includes his wife of 36 years, Blanche and children; Robyn, Michelle, Roger, Kenyon and Khaaya.

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FRIEND OF BASKETBALL * GUS GANAKAS Michigan State University

For the past 37 years, Michigan has had the pleasure of watching Gus Ganakas coach and serve others "in the best interest of basketball". Not only an outstanding coach, Gus also has served as a color analyst and assistant athletic director at Michigan State University.

Gus began his basketball career as the head basketball coach as East Lansing High School in 1952. During his 12 years as coach at East Lansing, he won 176 games and his 1958 team won the Class A State Championship. After a brief



stint as an assistant basketball coach at MSU (1967-1969), Gus became the head coach and won 89 games during his six years in charge of Spartan basketball. After his coaching days, Gus became an assistant athletic director and color analyst on the MSU Basketball Radio network. In 1996, Gus was elected into the Greek-American Athletic Hall of Fame.

His family includes wife, Ruth and children; Gail, Gary, Greg, Anne, Amy and Mary.

FRIEND OF BASKETBALL * ROBERT LIPPERT Mount Pleasant High School

Dedication, commitment and perserverance are some of the words that describe Robert Lippert's service to basketball. Robert was involved in the Mount Pleasant basketball program for 32 years as statistician, bus driver, sports information director and pep club originator.

From 1959 to 1991, Robert missed only seven Mount Pleasant High School games. After retiring in 1991 he still attended a vast majority of the games. Robert is a member of the Mt. Pleasant High School Athletic Hall of Fame and Educator Hall of Fame.

Robert is also a certifled chef who has won numerous awards for his work. Robert's family consists of wife Marie and sons, Robert Jr., Jeffery and Mark.

FRIEND OF BASKETBALL * MARY JANE NOVITSKY Detroit East Catholic High School

Successful programs depend on the help of committed volunteers. Detroit East Catholic High School has received 25 years of faithful and dedicated service from Mary Jane Novitsky.

Since 1974, Ms. Novitsky has kept shot charts and statistics for Hall of Fame Coach, Dave Soules. She has also assisted the program by running a Study Hall for players with academic difficulties. Mary Jane has scouted opposing teams and driven players throughout the state for games and summer league play. In 1992, Ms. Novitsky was honored with the Distinguised Service Award from the Detroit Catholic League.



Ms. Novitsky's family includes brother, Richard (Mary Lou) and sister, Barbara Ann.

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MEDIA * TOM MARKOWSKI Detroit News

Michigan is always considered one of the top states for high school basketball talent. Part of the reason Michigan players receive the recognition is the outstanding coverage by members of the Michigan sports media. One writer, Tom Markowski, of the Detroit News, stands out for his outstanding support of basketball in Michigan.

Tom began covering high school basketball in 1978. In 1981 he has selected All-Area teams for the United Press International. In 1985, Tom became the head high school writer for the News. Tom has also written stories for USA

Today and currently serves on the Associated Press panel for their All-State selections. Tom has been honored by the Baseball and Wrestling Associations. In 1993, Tom was inducted into the Detroit Catholic League Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Tom's family includes wife, Beth and parents Frank and Vivian Markowski.

OFFICIAL * ORLANDO M. CROCKETT Highland Park

Orlando Crockett for the past 20 years has been one of Michigan's top basketball officials. As Rueben Washington of Detroit Denby states, "Orlando officiates more for the love of the game. He is a veteran official who can handle any situation that takes place on the court. He never changes his temperament, even when a player or coach loses his temper."

Orlando has officiated both boys and girls high school basketball. He worked the girls' State Championship game in 1992 and the boys' top game in 1994. He has officiated league championships in the Detroit Public School League



(boys 3 times and girls 8 times) and five Catholic League finals. Besides high school basketball, Orlando also officiates AAU, Division II and III basketball games. In 1998, Orlando was inducted into the Catholic League Hall of Fame.

Orlando's family includes wife, Deborah; sons Donte, Rico, Darren and stepson, Jason McWilliams.



OFFICIAL * HUGH JEWELL Oak Park

The highest compliment an official can receive is the chance to officiate a State Championship basketball game. Some officials never get a chance to work the "Big Game" one time, but Hugh Jewell has worked four State Championships and will likely work some more before he retires.

Hugh began officiating basketball and football in 1974 as a registered MHSAA official. Hugh officiated the boys' basketball Finals in 1986, 1989, 1990 and 1997. He is the only official to have worked finals in three different locations (Crisler Arena, The Palace of Auburn Hills and the Breslin

Center). Hugh also works college basketball games and in 1994 and 1996 officiated the NCAA Division II Regional Fianls. Hugh has officiated two State Championship football games (1991 & 1995). In 1990 he was inducted into the Catholic High School League Hall of Fame. Hugh and his wife of 29 years, Marcia, have two daughters; Marlena and Lisa.