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FRIEND of BASKETBALL - GEORGE HAEZEBROUCK, Grosse Pointe South



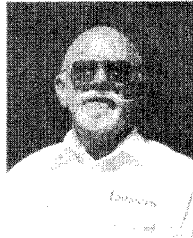
George has assisted the Grosse Pointe South basketball program as a volunteer score keeper and statistician since 1979. His dedication and loyalty to the Grosse Pointe basketball program is not only appreciated by the coaching staff and players, but also of opposing teams and local newspapers who rely on his accurate statistics.

George began his involvement in basketball in 1963 in St. Clair Shores at St. Lucy's. He was a volunteer coach, athletic director and score keeper for the boys and girls CYO League. In 1971, George became score keeper and statistician for the boys CYO League at Our Lady Star of the Sea in Grosse Pointe Woods.

FRIEND of BASKETBALL - FRANK IRONSIDE, Mt. Clemens L'Anse Creuse

Frank is a veteran with 23 years of service in the Navy. He started working for the L'Anse Creuse School system in 1972 and became interested and involved with athletics especially basketball and football. Frank did anything needed to help the boys' and girls' basketball programs succeed. He has set up the gym for games, kept score and run the clock.

In 1979, Frank was a valuable asset to the girls' Varsity basketball team that captured the Class B State Championship. Frank retired from the L'Anse Creuse school system in 1988, but continues to work with the athletic program and Athletic Booster Club.



FRIEND of BASKETBALL - JAMES JOHNSON, Lansing Waverly

James has been with the Waverly schools in Lansing for 35 years. For 33 years he has helped the basketball program as a timer or official scorer. James has coached track, cross country, softball and baseball at Waverly High School and also is an MHSAA registered official in these sports.

James graduated from Western Michigan University and received his masters from Michigan State University. He has been married for 36 years, has two married children and three grandsons.

FRIEND of BASKETBALL - DOUG McDOUGAL, Mt. Clemens L'Anse Creuse

Doug worked as a substitute teacher at L'Anse Creuse High School while attending law school at Wayne State University 27 years ago. He became interested in the athletic program and began serving as the official scorekeeper and announcing basketball games for the boys' and girls' basketball program. Doug's most memorable moment came in 1979 when he kept the book for the Girls' Class B State Championship game which L'Anse Creuse won.

Doug is an active member of the L'Anse Creuse High School Athletic Booster Club, acting as Bingo Chairman for the past 20 years. He is also active in many other organizations and clubs. Doug has been employed by the Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation since 1972.



FRIEND of BASKETBALL - RICHARD OWEN, Grosse Ile High School

Richard was the scorekeeper for the entire boys' basketball program at Grosse Ile High School from 1970 to 1988. He kept score for the entire girls' program from 1973 to 1994. Richard was also the girls' softball scorekeeper for several years including the year they won the State Championship.

Richard retired from Grosse Ile in 1982, but continues to stay busy. He is an avid golfer with a hole-in-one and loves to play bridge. Richard is married with three children and four grandchildren.

FRIEND of BASKETBALL - JOHN H. PUDLINER D.O., Okemos High School

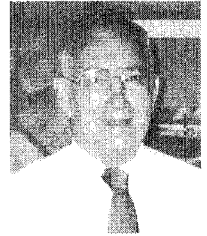
John has served Okemos High School in the capacity of sports medicine since 1961. John has treated and worked with athletes from all sports programs. He has been a major influence in the successful basketball program at Okemos High School. John retired from his practice at the end of the 1996 school year.

John was born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. He is a veteran of World War II serving from 1943 to 1946 in the European Theater. John and his wife reside in Okemos.

FRIEND of BASKETBALL - DAVE SCHAFF, St. Clair High School

Dave, a 1952 graduate of St. Clair High School has served as timekeeper of girls' and boys' basketball games since 1954. In 1959, Dave added the duties of football timekeeper.

After graduating from St. Clair High School, Dave was drafted into the U. S. Army and served for 14 months in Korea. In 1959 he started working for the United Parcel Service and retired in 1994. Dave continues to live in St. Clair with his wife Christine. They have six grown children: David, Steve, Jeff, Roger, Laurie and Kirk. They also have 13 grandchildren.



OFFICIAL - VICTOR VIRGIL DeROSE, Okemos

Vic has officiated for over 25 years in basketball as well as football and baseball. He has officiated in the State Finals in both boys' and girls' basketball and baseball. Vic currently is the scoreboard operator for Michigan State University basketball games and operates the 25 second clock at Spartan football games.

Vic, a veteran of the Navy, enrolled at MSU in 1948 and played basketball for 2 years. He worked for 41 years in secondary education where he coached, taught and counseled.

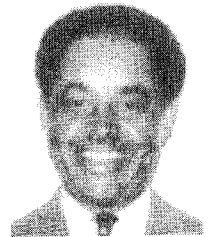
His family includes wife Dolores, six children: Susan, Victor, David, John, Nancy, Mary and Stephen, and 10 grandchildren.

OFFICIAL - TOM RUCKER, Bloomfield Hills

Tom started officiating the Detroit Public School League in 1966 as a freshman official. He has officiated the City Championship and Catholic League Championship games. In 1971 and 1972, Tom officiated the MHSAA Boys' State Championship basketball games. In 1972, Tom joined the Big 10 staff as an official.

He has worked the NCAA Basketball Tournament games since 1982 and has worked 4 Final Fours (1982, 1989, 1994 and 1996) and officiated the 1989 NCAA Championship game.

Tom is a 1962 graduate of Wayne State University. He has been an educator in the Detroit Public School system since 1962. This year, Tom was awarded the "30 Year Award" by the MHSAA for his officiating career.



OFFICIAL - ART ZYSK, Macomb County

Art has been an MHSAA official for 24 years. Art is considered one of the state's finest high school basketball and football officials and has officiated at all levels of the State Tournament. He officiated the boys' State Quarter finals in 1995 and 1996 and this past season officiated in the Boys' State Championship finals. Art is also the supervisor of officials for the Macomb Area Conference since 1990.

Art has been a salesman for Computer Composition Corporation for 15 years. Art's family includes his wife of 29 years, Diane and daughter, Andrea.



ASSISTANT COACH - BETSY KRESTON, Flint Powers Catholic High

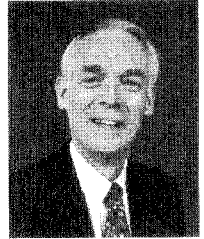
Betsy has been the Junior Varsity girls' basketball coach at Flint Powers Catholic High School since 1976. As the JV basketball coach, Betsy's teams have compiled a record of 294-165, including three 20-0 seasons. As assistant varsity coach, she helped direct the Lady Chargers to a 346-117 record, including three trips to the State Finals and one State Championship.

A 1976 graduate of Michigan State University, Betsy majored in Physical Education with a minor in Health Education. While at MSU, Betsy lettered in softball, basketball and field hockey. Betsy current teaches physical education at Flint Powers and is the intramural director.

ASSISTANT COACH - RON MOTT, Okemos High School

Ron has coached basketball for 30 years at Okemos High School. He has coached the boys' freshman and Junior Varsity basketball teams for the past twenty years. During this time he has led his teams to a record of 306-52. For the past 17 seasons, Ron has been the girls' varsity basketball coach, where he has compiled a record of 308-80. Ron's overall record while coaching both boys and girls basketball at Okemos is 614-132, an impressive 82% winning percentage.

Born in Pennsylvania, Ron played Army service basketball in Japan and Korea. He also played for the FBI Washington D.C. traveling team. Ron graduated from Michigan State University in 1962 and has been a teacher and coach at Okemos High School for the past 31 years. Ron's family includes wife Carol and children Christine and Jason.



MEDIA - DON WINGER, Midland Daily News

Don has been the sports editor of the Midland Daily News since March of 1967. As sports editor, Don has reported on high school basketball games for 30 years at the Daily News. Don instituted an All-Area Basketball Team when he started at the Daily News. Approximately 200 male and female athletes have been cited and presented with their awards at an All-Area luncheon each spring.

Don is a 1958 graduate of Pinckney High School and graduated from Olivet College in 1962.



MEDIA - GEORGE "BUZZ" YOUNGS, Hastings High & WBCH Radio

George "Buzz" Young has been involved in covering high school athletics, for both print media and radio, for 50 years in the Hastings and Barry County area. George covered basketball as well as other sports for the Hastings Banner from 1946 to 1980. After retiring from the newspaper in 1980, Buss began covering sports for WBCH Radio and hosted his own radio program which he continues to do at the age of 80.

Buzz was born in Florence, Wisconsin in 1915 and attended Marquette University in Milwaukee. He served in the Navy during World War II. Buzz has also acted as an official scorekeeper for basketball games at Hastings High School.



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