

OFFICIAL

RANDY HOUTZ * Bronson Area

For the past 31 years, Randy Houtz, of Bronson has been officiating both boys and girls basketball games throughout southwestern Michigan. Since 1978, he has officiated middle school through high school JV and Varsity.

Early on, area coaches knew that Randy was going to be an exceptional official. They watched him grow into one of the best officials. Coaches always knew that when Randy walked in to the gym, the game was going to be officiated in the right way. That feeling is brought about by past experience, the confidence he gives forth and that great, infectious smile.

One of Randy's finest qualities is his willingness to discuss a questioned call without becoming defensive or vindictive. He is willing to talk to both coaches & players alike, and takes time to explain the rule and how it applies.

In the community of Bronson, Randy has given of his time freely for the betterment of the youth. He has been a volunteer for various teams and served as coach for the junior varsity football team for a while. In addition to his involvement in athletics, Randy served for 15 years on the Bronson School Board and on the local fire department for ten years.

Randy's love of officiating (basketball, football, baseball and track) is apparent from the way he approaches each game.

He officiated in 3 State Semi's and received an MHSAA 30-year award.

