

# HALL of HONOR INDUCTEES

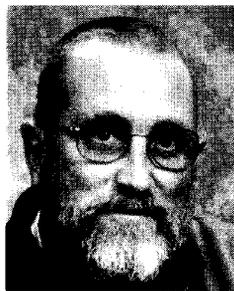
## **ASSISTANT COACH \* PAT DILLON**

**Beaverton High School**

Dedication and loyalty are two traits that successful basketball programs look for in its coaches. Beaverton basketball has found both of these in Pat Dillon. For the past 25 years, Pat has dedicated himself to the betterment of Beaverton's boys and girls basketball players.

Beginning in 1977, Pat worked on making basketball fun through the constant teaching of fundamentals for the 4th and 5th grade programs. Switching to the girls' program and the JV team in 1982, he continued to help develop young people to reach their potential on the floor as well as off the floor. After one season with the girls' JV, Pat has spent the last 20 years serving the Beaverton program as the 7th and 8th grade boys and girls coach. A highlight of Pat's career includes 6 undefeated seasons, but his biggest award was being "able to contribute to the development of our youth".

Pat's family includes his wife Peggy, stepson Jody Jehnsen and grandsons Greg Jehnsen and Corey Pohlman.



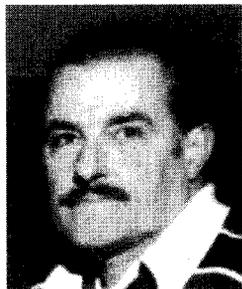
## **ASSISTANT COACH \* JACK EWING**

**Flint Central & Northwestern High Schools**

The success of a basketball program can be measured by the commitment of its staff and Jack Ewing has committed to Flint Central and Flint Northwestern. Jack was an assistant in basketball and football at both schools. He has spent 25 years at Central and 8 at Northwestern.

An excellent history teacher from 1958 to 1992, Jack was instrumental in the development of many of the young men who later became All-State players and went on to play at the collegiate level. Jack was an integral part of the 3 State Championships that Flint Central won including the 1981 team that was 28-0, ranked 4th in the national and let only 3 teams get closer than a 10-point margin of victory. When asked what Jack remembers most about those 33 years of coaching, he said, "Knowing the young men as I got to know them and the coaches that I was associated with, it was an outstanding experience and a very memorable one".

Jack served in the Army from 1956-1958. Returning to Flint, he was in the Army Reserve, eventually heading the Flint Reserves at the rank of Colonel. Jack and his wife, Arlene have three children: Dawn, Diane and David. They also have 11 grandchildren.



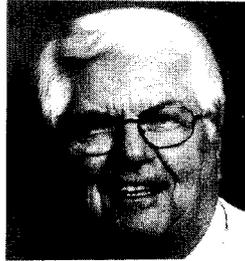
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### FRIEND of BASKETBALL \* NORM JAMPINGA Hope College

Wearing different hats is something that Norm "Bunko" Japinga is accustomed to. As a basketball official, Norm was awarded the MHSAA Award for 30 years as an active official. Towards the latter years of his officiating career he also officiated at the collegiate level before orthopedic problems association with Hope College began in 1967 when he served as the teams' bus driver, official scorekeeper and equipment manager. He currently serves as the scorekeeper for Hope College Women's Basketball. Hope's Men's Coach Glenn VanWieren, estimates that Bunko has served in one of these capacities for well over 1000 men or women's games.

His great sense of humor and admiration by students, faculty, friends of the college and the Holland community has resulted in Norm earning the Alumni H-Club Award in 1990 and also the Alumni Association Meritorious Service Award.

Norm's family includes his wife, Shirley and children Jodi & Marv Syens, Jeff & Lynn, Julie & Kevin VanDordt and five grandchildren..

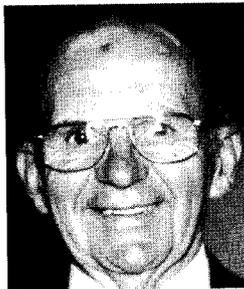


### FRIEND of BASKETBALL \* STANLEY KRAJKOWSKI Saginaw Nouvel High School

Devotion to your school describes Stanley Krajkowski at Saginaw Nouvel Catholic Central. Beginning in 1966, Stanley's contributions to the success of the basketball program started with organizing a noon-time chess and ping pong program at St. Casimir's Elementary School for the kids. He served on St. Casimir's Athletic Association and raised money for it by starting the bingo that still continues today.

In 1970, Stanley joined the Athletic Association at St. Mary's Cathedral High School and served on its board until the close of the school. He promoted fundraisers that provided much needed monies to purchase uniforms, pay for coaches salaries and facility costs for the basketball program. When Saginaw Nouvel Catholic Central was formed in 1984, Stanley was one of ten people responsible for bringing together rival factions. Since that time, Stanley has opened the doors and manned the admission gate and concession stand for boys and girls, freshmen through Varsity. Through the years, he has epitomized the true meaning of being a volunteer and serves as a role model for young women and men involved in athletics. He was inducted into the Saginaw Catholic School Hall of Fame in 1992.

Stanley's family includes his wife Elizabeth, children Kimberly, Stan & Kay, Lori and John O'Brien, Thomas and Diane, Terry & Deeann, plus 12 wonderful grandchildren.



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### FRIEND of BASKETBALL \* MARVIN MILLER Rochester High School

It takes more than just players and coaches to make a basketball program successful. Many other people do the little things that infrequently catch mention. Marvin Miller has been doing the little things for Rochester High School. Since 1959 he has been the timer for Rochester basketball and football games at the freshman, JV and Varsity levels. Marvin has also been a timer for the Rochester Track team and has worked the shot put event. In 1997, the Oakland County Athletic Directors Association awarded him their Honorary Recipient Award.

Marvin taught English at Rochester High School for 35 years before retiring in February of 1994. According to Hal Commerson, head basketball coach at Rochester, "Marvin is a gentleman and a scholar and is a credit to the teaching profession".

Marvin's family includes his wife of 49 years, Bette, son Robert and grandson Andy.



### OFFICIAL \* ERNIE CRYER Grand Rapids Area

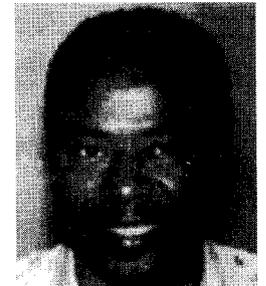
Combine hard work and the love of the game and you have a successful official. These 2 traits define Ernie Cryer. Ernie has had a positive effect on many young men from high school to college over the past 29 years.

Ernie's passion for the game helped land him on the All-State Dream Team in 1968 as well as to the 1968 Class A State Championship for Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills High School. After high school, Ernie continued his playing career at Northwood University where he was a 3-year All GLIAC Conference player.

He began his officiating career in 1973 doing both high school and college games. Highlights of his high school officiating duties include working the 1983 Girls State Championship Class A game and the 1986 Boys State Championship Class A game. Ernie is the only official in Michigan high school history to win a Class A State Championship as a player and return to officiate the same Class A championship. Ernie's college honors include working games in the Big Ten, MAC, GLIAC, MIAA, WAC and WJCAA. He has officiated in the National Tournament in each of these conferences. In the GLIAC he has had 5 invitations, in the MIAA 4 invitations, in the WAC 3 invitations and 2 in the WJCAA.

Ernie also has a 20-year relationship with the Gus Macker Tournament serving as its Director, Center Court Supervisor/Official and Slam Dunk announcer.

Ernie's family consists of his wife Carolyn, daughter LaKeasha, stepson Quincy and son Ernie, Jr.



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## MEDIA \* GEORGE POHLY

### Macomb Daily News



George Pohly has covered high school, college and professional basketball since 1980. The sports editor at The Macomb Daily in Mount Clemens since 1988. Pohly was associate editor of Basketball Weekly in Detroit from 1980-84. He joined The Macomb Daily staff as a sports writer in August 1984.

A graduate of Olivet College and New Haven High School, Pohly has handled a variety of basketball assignments, including coverage of the Michigan high school girls and boys seasons. He also has reported on the NCAA Final Four, the

NBA Draft and the NBA Finals. Pohly was an NBA columnist for Basketball Times in Rochester, Michigan from 1984-94.

Pohly is part of a staff at the Macomb Daily that continues the newspaper's tradition of hosting an annual high school basketball awards dinner in March. Top Macomb County players are honored at the event that began in the late 1960's. George presents the Macomb County Team, Coach and Player of the Year awards that are selected by the newspaper's sports staff.

A resident of New Baltimore, Pohly has won writing awards from United Press International, the Associated Press and the Michigan Press Association. Among his award-winning columns were one that profiled an outgoing Michigan high school basketball coach and another on the 1990 NBA championship series between the Detroit Pistons and Portland Trail Blazers.

In June of 2001, Pohly, who is the bowling writer for The Macomb Daily, received a Meritorious Service award from the Greater Detroit Bowling Association.

## MEDIA \* JIM WHYMER

### Port Huron Times Herald News



Reading about local high school sports in Michigan is a daily occurrence for many fans and athletes alike. If you are lucky to live in the lower eastern peninsula then you are lucky to read Jim Whymer of the Port Huron Times Herald. His love for writing began at Grand Rapids West Catholic High School and followed him to Grand Rapids Junior College and Aquinas College. He began writing for the Times Herald in 1978 and is now the Sports Editor.

Jim attends Associated Press boys and girls basketball all-state meetings and for 20 years has been a poll member for the AP Class B football and basketball poll. Every June, Jim assists St. Clair Community College Coach Dale Voss with an annual high school all-star basketball game. Also, Jim keeps up with the action as a registered official in boys and girls basketball, baseball and softball for the last 15 years. He has also coached youth basketball in both Grand Rapids and Port Huron.

Jim's family includes his wife Patti and children Traci, Kyle and Joel.