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HALL OF FAME**

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Class of 2016
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Erin (Monette) Byrnes – Class of 1995

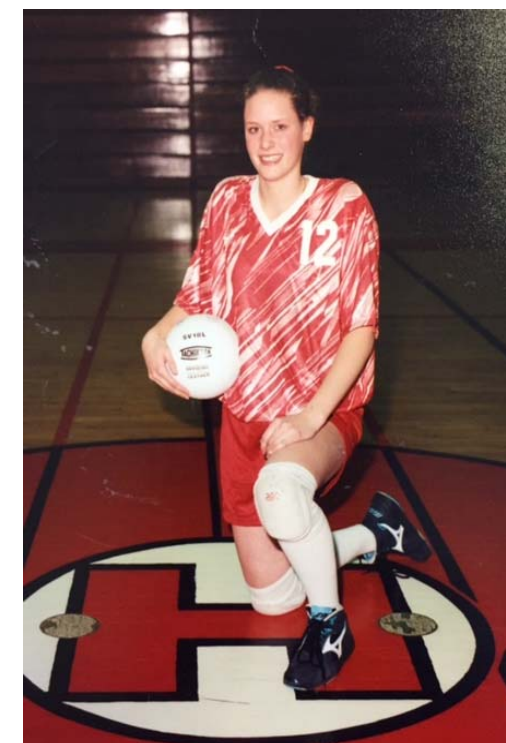
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Finals

Holton d. Reeths-Puffer 15-12, 9-15, 16-14

Semifinals

Reeths-Puffer d. Montague 15-10, 15-4; Holton d. Muskegon 15-4, 15-6.

Quarterfinals

Montague d. Fruitport 15-7, 17-15; Muskegon d. WM Christian 15-9, 15-6; Holton (bye); Reeths-Puffer (bye)

Pool A results

Reeths-Puffer s. North Muskegon 9-15, 15-6; Reeths-Puffer d. Orchard View 15-4, 15-8; Reeths-Puffer s. Muskegon 16-14, 14-16; Reeths-Puffer d. Ravenna 15-10, 15-10; North Muskegon s. Orchard View 10-15, 15-4; North Muskegon s. Muskegon 15-10, 17-15; North Muskegon d. Ravenna 15-6, 15-9; Muskegon d. Orchard View 15-11, 15-9; Orchard View s. Ravenna 15-12, 8-15; Muskegon d. Ravenna 15-6, 15-10.

Pool B results

Holton d. Mona Shores 15-8, 15-7; Holton d. Whitehall 17-15, 15-9; Holton d. Fruitport 15-6, 15-5; Holton d. Muskegon Heights 15-4, 15-8; Mona Shores d. Whitehall 16-14, 15-12; Fruitport d. Mona Shores 15-11, 15-12; Mona Shores d. Muskegon Heights 15-5, 15-4; Whitehall s. Fruitport 5-15, 15-11; Whitehall d. Muskegon Heights 15-4, 15-4; Fruitport d. Muskegon Heights 15-13, 15-4.

Pool C results

Montague s. WM Christian 11-15, 15-12; Montague d. Oakridge 15-2, 15-4; Montague d. Muskegon Catholic 15-2, 15-4; WM Christian d. Oakridge 15-8, 15-10; WM Christian d. Muskegon Catholic 15-4, 15-6; Oakridge s. Muskegon Catholic 15-7, 8-15.



Standing L to R: Amy VandenBerg, Sarah DeLong, Erin Monette, Debra McCumber, Liz Pletcher, Coach Luxford Kneeling L to R: Dawn Long, Kristi Smith, Donna Dykman, Candy Murat, Jody Dresen Sitting L to R: Manager Alisa Sundberg, Stephanie Zerlaut, Mackenzie Woodring, Manager Ryan Becklin



1994 WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM

The 1994 Holton Red Devils' volleyball team, coached by Ed Bailey, made it all the way to the women's Lower Peninsula Class C state championship match in 1993, before losing to the Wolverines of Burton-Atherton, 15-5, 15-14. With many of the same players returning in 1994, Holton would not be denied in a return trip to the state championship game.

After defeating Sutton's Bay (15-8, 16-14) on March 18, 1994 at Vicksburg High School in the opening round of the state playoffs, Holton advanced to the semi-final round of the playoffs the following day, also at Vicksburg High School, where they defeated the Comets of Hanover-Horton (15-11, 15-9) to advance to the state championship game. Later that same day, at Kalamazoo Central High School, The Red Devils made a statement in the state championship game by defeating Pewamo-Westphalia to earn the first ever volleyball state championship for a Muskegon area team, as well as the first and only state championship in any sport to date at Holton High School.

The team finished the season winning 47 consecutive matches, while finishing with a season record of 55-2-1. The three year record for the seniors on this team was 148-12-6, and included tournament wins at Big Rapids, Lakeview, and Corunna, while also claiming the team's second straight Greater Muskegon Athletic Association Tournament Championship for all classes. The team finished the season ranked #1 in Class C by the Michigan Interscholastic Volleyball Coaches Association.



J.V. VOLLEYBALL Front Row: Kristy Ward, Dawn Long, Erin Monette, Michelle Beauregard, Lindsay Pletcher Row Two: Coach Cindy Buckner, Rene Eaken, Dawn Pederson, Jennifer Nichols, Amy VandenBerg Row Three: Manager Cheryl Pederson, Angie Rogers, Janel Davis, Adrienne Craig, Manager Candy Murat.

Red letter day for Holton

The top-ranked Red Devils' girls volleyball team won the Class C state championship with a 15-14, 15-8 victory over Pewamo-Westphalia.

By TIM BERRY

Chronicle correspondent

KALAMAZOO — Never a doubt. From the start of the 1993-94 season, the Holton girls volleyball team planned a return trip to the Class C state finals, where they slanted to capture the state title key last year.

The top-ranked Red Devils followed through Saturday afternoon by tripping Pewamo-Westphalia 15-14, 15-8 to win the first state championship in school history.

Holton, which upended No. 3 Hanover-Horton (15-11, 15-9) in the semifinals, rallied from a 12-4

first-game deficit and then eased to the coveted title in the second game.

Amy DeLong and Jennifer Thornton, the Red Devils' 1-2 all-state punch, powered Holton to victory against the Pirates, who upset second-ranked Burton-Atherton in the semifinals.

"We knew we'd be back and we knew we'd win state this time around," said Thornton, the Red Devils' two-time all-state outside hitter. "We never had a doubt that we couldn't or wouldn't win this thing."

"We set this as the goal (364) days ago and we followed through on it today."

Holton, which finished the season with 47 consecutive victories and a 55-2-1 record, did have its share of adversity.

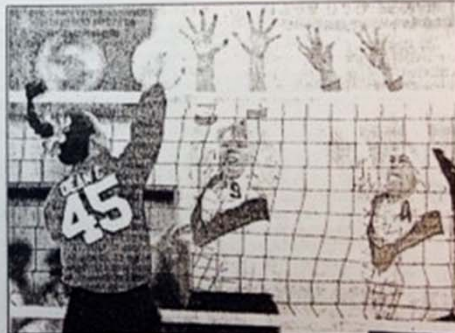
The Red Devils played over the loss of injured Amber Trygstad in Friday's quarterfinal round and

won Saturday due to their diversity.

Holton beat Suttons Bay without Trygstad in the quarters, then utilized the services of reserves Kelly Becklin, Dawn Long and Amy Vandenberg and Trygstad at 80 percent capacity to defeat Hanover-Horton and Pewamo-Westphalia in the semis and finals, respectively.

In the finale, Thornton recorded seven service points and seven kills, while DeLong registered 22 assists, five service points, 10 digs and five blocks.

Long added seven service points, Lori Swenson six digs, seven kills and four blocks, and Erin Monette six kills and three blocks for Holton. Jennifer Nichols clipped in three blocks. Long had seven service points, while Becklin had



Holton's Lori Swenson (9) and Amber Trygstad (11) go up to double team on a block against Hanover-Horton's Tahny Dean.

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Holton rolls to NCAA title

By TIM BERRY

Chronicle correspondent with local reports

Different season, same result.

The Holton volleyball team, ranked No. 1 in Class C, rolled to its third consecutive Newwayo County Athletic Association championship Saturday by steamrolling five opponents.

The Red Devils, winners of 40 straight matches, pounded Newwayo in the finale to claim the NCAA tournament crown and the overall conference championship.

Holton hitters Jennifer Thornton, Amber Trygstad, Erin Monette and Jennifer Nichols, fueled by the quarterbacking of setter Amy DeLong, led Holton to a 15-6, 15-1 victory in the title match.

The Red Devils, 142-12-9 over the last three seasons, boosted their area-best overall record to 48-2-1.

"Winning the NCAA championship three years in a row is quite an accomplishment when you take into consideration the quality of the competition we face in this conference," said Holton coach Ed Bailey.

"I think this is an impressive milestone and quite a testament to the hard work and commitment these talented kids have put into making this program one of the state's best."

The Red Devils, who haven't lost a match in 1994, captured the crown in workmanlike fashion, clipping one team after another.

Guided by DeLong, a four-year starter and two-time all-state performer headed to the University of New Orleans next fall, Holton was barely challenged en route to the title.

Thornton and Trygstad provided the punch for the Red Devils, while Nichols, Monette and Lori Swenson delivered the knockout blows.

Holton, which outscored its five opponents by a combined margin of 150-43, posted a perfect 3-0 record in pool play by downing White Cloud (15-6, 15-3), Hesperia (15-4, 15-2) and Tri-County (15-5, 15-5).

The Red Devils then dismantled Kent City (16-14, 15-3) in the semifinals and tripped Newwayo in the finale.

"This tournament is never easy to win for a couple of reasons. First, and foremost, it is the high-level of competition," said Bailey. "Second, we see these

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same teams two, three, even four times during the season and it's never easy to play them a third, fourth or fifth time. It can be hard to get the kids up for some of these matches.

"But this is a veteran team that knows how to perform under pressure and adversity. They've been on the brink of a state championship and they know what it takes to pull big victories off."

DeLong, Thornton and Trygstad led the Red Devils' statistical parade.

Thornton, a Class C all-state pick last year and generally regarded as one of the state's top hitters, registered 34 kills and 15 digs.

DeLong recorded 105 assists, 10 service aces, 30 digs and seven blocks, while Trygstad had 26 kills, 11 service aces, six blocks and 21 digs.

Nichols picked up 21 kills and seven blocks, with Kelly Becklin contributing nine service aces and Lori Swenson 13 blocks.

Sara Burde led Newwayo with 32 kills and 30 assists and Dusty Huisman added 35 kills. The Lions, which got to the finals by beating Tri-County, stand 29-11-4 on the season.

Dana Swinehart added 14 service aces, while Karen Sullivan had 35 assists.

"We're happy to finish second, but we didn't play as well as we could have. We had a lot of peaks and valleys," said Lions coach Mary Reese-Pumford. "When we clicked today, we really played well. But when we were bad, we were real bad."

STATE RANKINGS	
Class A	
1. Portage Northern	58-2-0
2. Temperance Bedford	57-4-5
3. West Ottawa	57-3-3
4. Rockford	43-10-3
5. Portage Central	35-13-2
6. Danville	35-2-3
7. East Kentwood	45-13-2
8. Royal Oak Kimball	33-1-5
9. Fraser	42-8-4
10. Battle Creek Lakeview	25-11-9
Honorable mention — Port Huron Northern, Bay City Central, Livonia Ladywood	
Class B	
1. Zealand	44-5-1
2. Duff Lake	43-8-3
3. Battle Creek Penfield	46-6-9
4. Stevensville	55-6-6
5. Marysville	41-3-6
6. Plainwell	35-11-5
7. Swan Valley	44-7-1
8. Jackson Northwest	38-4-2
9. Jackson Luman Christ	29-11-4
10. Holland Christian	39-10-6
Honorable mention — Pigeonmound, Caro, Lakewood Odessa, Coldwater, Cadillac	
Class C	
1. Holton	48-2-1
2. Burton Atherton	33-2-7
3. Concord	42-7-3
4. Hanover-Horton	37-8-2
5. Elkton Pigeon-Bayport	48-9-3
6. Bronson	38-8-2
7. Shephard	38-3-3
8. Suttons Bay	28-4-5
9. Whittemore-Prescott	41-11-4
10. Almont	23-8-6
Honorable mention — Onsted, Kingsley, Manchester, St. Louis, Bad Axe	
Class D	
1. Cedarville	35-1-3
2. B. Creek St. Philp	33-13-7
3. Ann Arbor Gabriel	28-5-4
4. Bridgman	32-1-3
5. Mendon	35-15-8
6. St. Clement	35-4-4
7. Inland Lakes	27-7-5
8. Forest Area	29-4-4
9. Potterville	25-13-3
10. Glen Lake	22-10-5
Honorable mention — North Muskegon 14-9-4	

HOLTON VARSITY VOLLEYBALL INDIVIDUAL HONORS

ALL STATE FIRST TEAM:

Amy DeLong and Jennifer Thornton

NCAA ALL CONFERENCE:

Amy DeLong, Erin Monette, Lori Swenson
Jennifer Thornton and Amber Trygstad

MUSKEGON CHRONICLE ALL AREA TEAM:

FIRST TEAM: Amy DeLong, Lori Swenson, Jennifer Thornton and Amber Trygstad

SECOND TEAM: Erin Monette and Jennifer Nichols

HONORABLE MENTION: Kelly Becklin and Amy Vandenberg

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM SELECTIONS

BIG RAPIDS: Amy DeLong and Jennifer Thornton

MCC: Amy DeLong, Lori Swenson and Jennifer Thornton

HOLTON: Amy DeLong and Jennifer Thornton

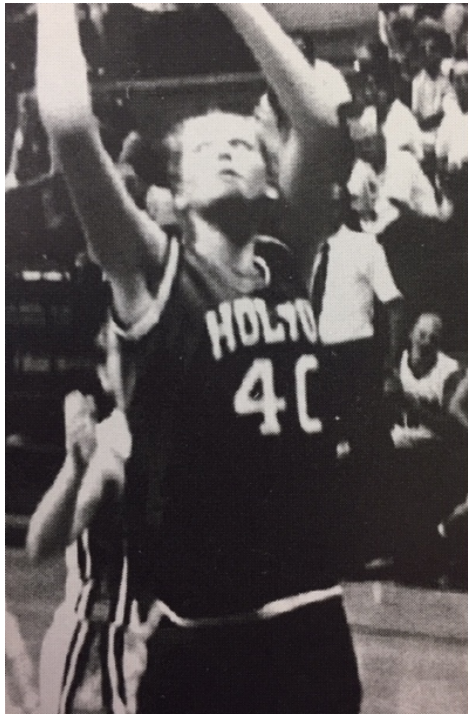
CORUNNA: Amy DeLong, Jennifer Thornton and Amber Trygstad



Erin
(Monette)
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Senior Erin Monette goes up for the kill once again.



Erin
(Monette)
Byrnes



Team members of the 1992 team include, ABOVE, L to R: CoachBuckner, Adrienne Cregg, Amy VandenBerg, Rachel Davis, Erin Monette, Jana Karnes, Sarah DeLong, Teri Tozer, Jessi Johnson, and Erica Johnson

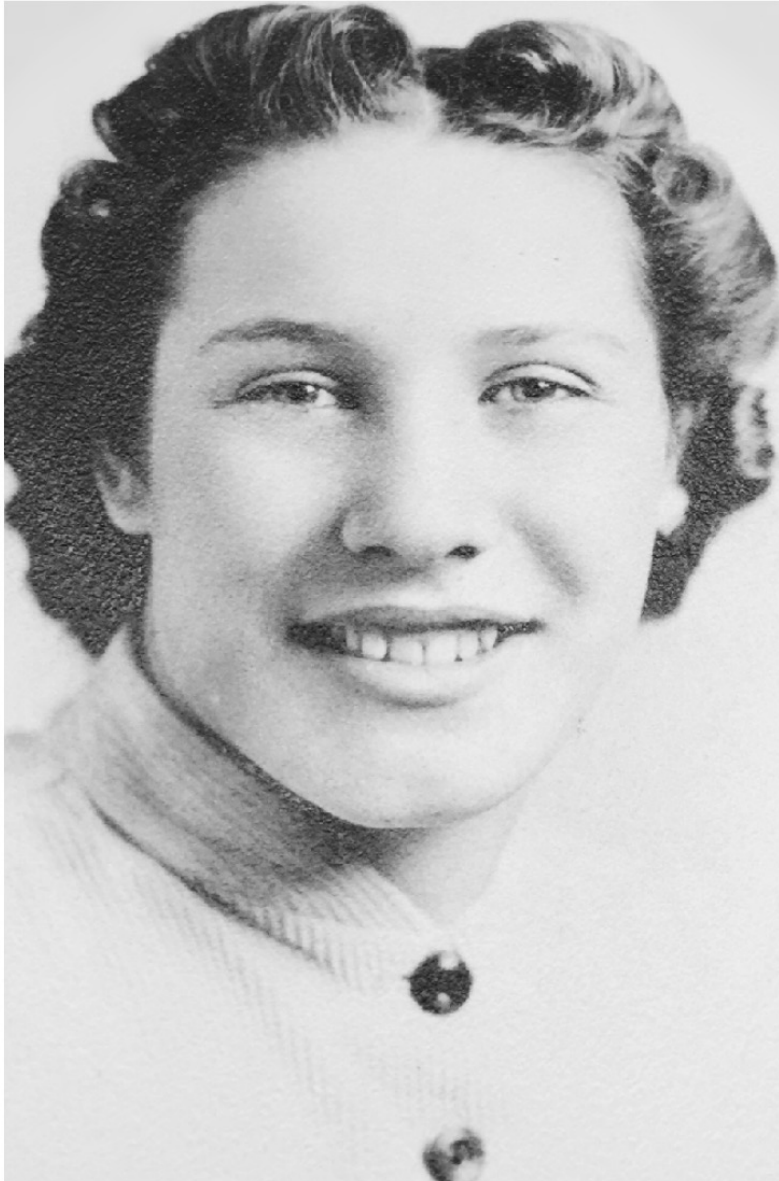
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Class of 2016
Women's Athletic Inductee

Agnes Gibson – Class of 1941

Agnes Gibson – Class of 1941



In a time prior to Holton's participation in conference affiliated athletics, Agnes Gibson was active in all sports, with an exceptional talent in softball and basketball. Gibson was also actively involved in school, serving as the vice president of her class also. Gibson and school classmates Lucylle Rossiter, Doris Gibson, Jean Syers, and Evelyn Hendrickson, who were leaders on the women's basketball team of the time, were also instrumental in the composition and selection of lyrics to accompany the music selection (adapted version of the Illini Fight Song) that is now the school's song. At this time, the school colors of red and gray were selected; however, during this time, uniform procurement for women's basketball and football was often difficult due to the availability of gray, and thus the school colors have become red and white.

Gibson has been described as being a physical athlete of her time that led the development of the game of softball at Holton High School. Playing without a coach, Agnes Gibson served as the pitcher of the softball team, and was described as the natural leader of the team. The softball team began playing non-conference games in 1939, 1940, and 1941, with Agnes leading the way to an undefeated season on the mound in her senior year of 1941. In addition to her success as a softball player, it has been noted that Gibson liked to play all sports and was an outstanding athlete in all that she competed in. Gibson also excelled in women's basketball and was a leader on that team as well.

Gibson and her teammates, which included Lucylle Rossiter, Evelyn Morrison, Grace Cripe, Marilyn Thill, Florence Hayes, Lillian Broderick, Barbara Stenberg, and Alice Trygstad, have been pioneers for women's athletics at Holton High School, led by Gibson herself.




Agnes Gibson – Class of 1941



Agnes Gibson – Class of 1941

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Class of 2016
Men's Athletic Inductee

Albert Wiegand – Class of 1957

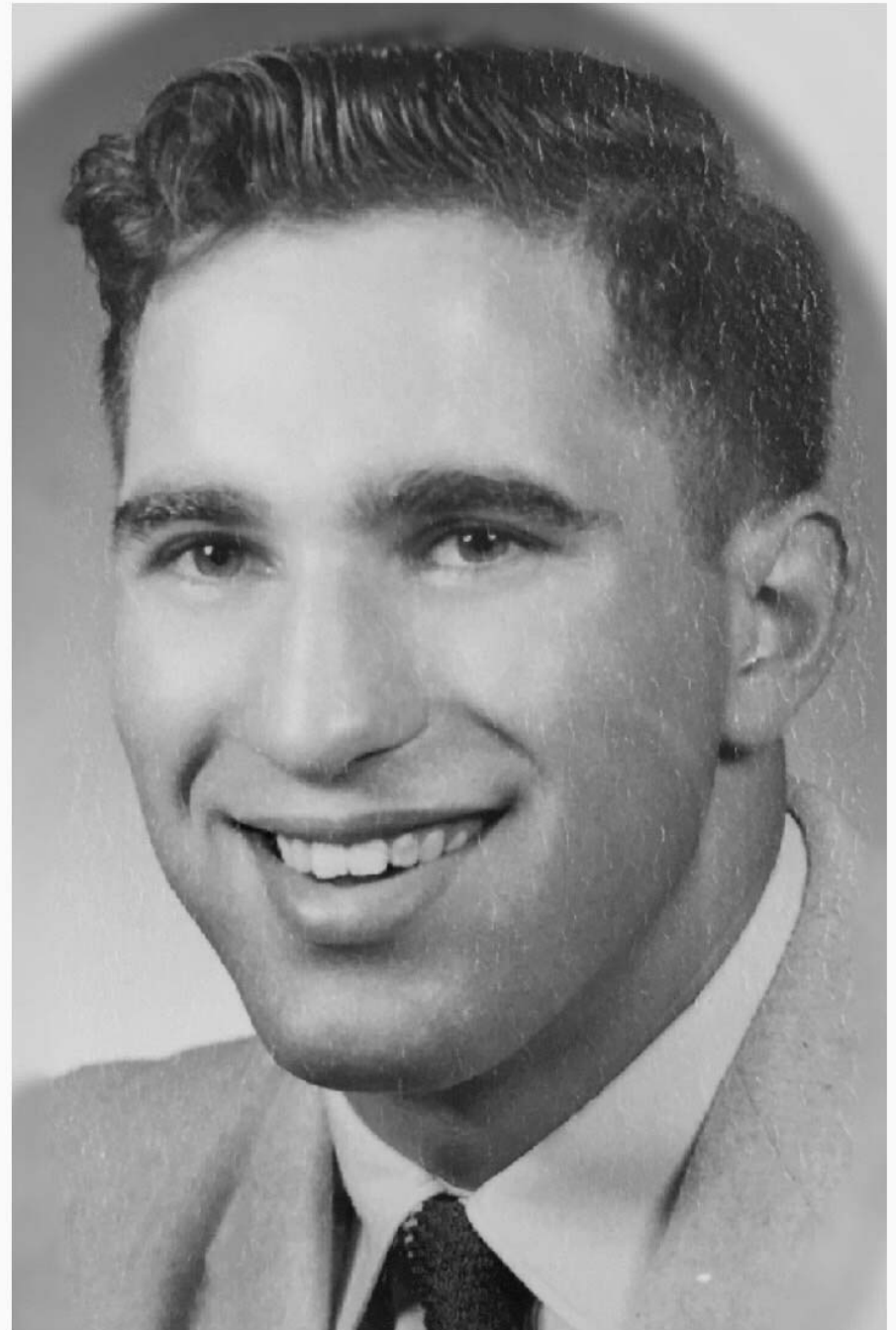
Albert Wiegand

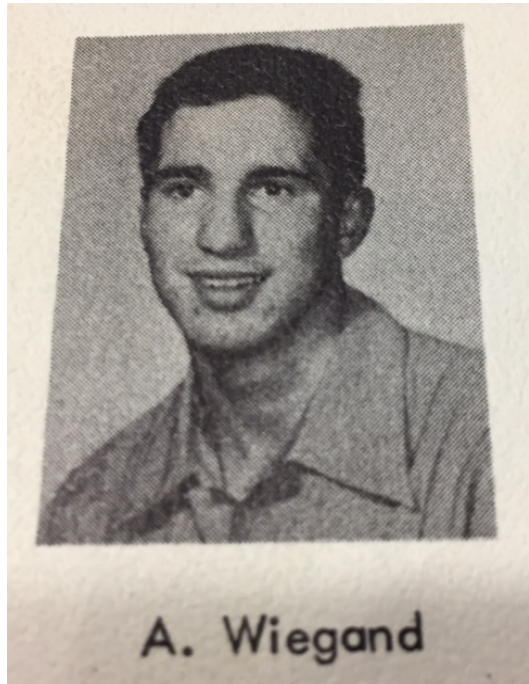
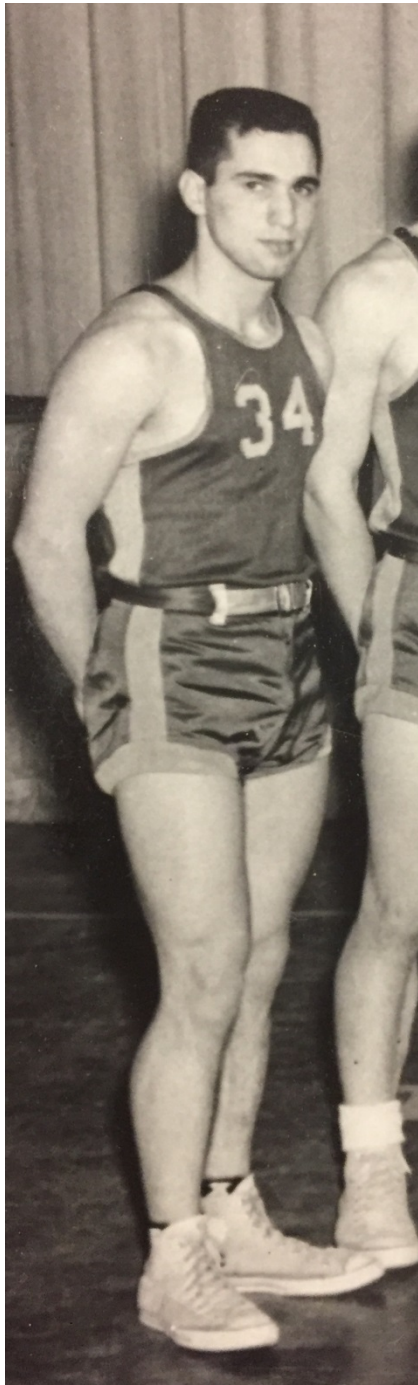
One of the best all-around athletes of his time, Albert Wiegand was a four sport athlete who lettered in football, basketball, track and field, and baseball at Holton High School, while also having actively participated in the “H” Club, among other activities. Described by teammates as a strong competitor and outstanding all-around athlete, Mr. Wiegand was a member of many of the outstanding teams in the early history of athletics at Holton High School.

Among those teams, were the 1954 varsity football team, the school’s first football team also being honored, and the 1955 and 1956 men’s basketball teams. The 1955 men’s basketball team was the first basketball team to win a district championship in the history of Holton High School, and the 1956 basketball team ended the season with a record of 18-3.

Mr. Wiegand was known for his tremendous speed and agility, and was a tremendous running back in football, was an outstanding shooting guard, ball handler, and consistent scorer in basketball, he ran sprints and relays in track and field, and he was an excellent center fielder in baseball.

After graduating from Holton High School, Mr. Wiegand would go on to serve more than 20 plus years in the United States Air Force





Albert Wiegand Class of 1957



Reserves

Back row, left to right: Coach-Mr. Dieters, Walter Chester, Donald Henry, Harold Burkett, Melvin Harris, Forrest Harris, Charles Coffman and Paul Sayers.
Front row: Albert Wiegand, Larry Weisner, Earl Langler, Carl Knash, David Burley, Raymond Mauske, Lyle Rossiter, Warren Bogue.



Baseball

Back row from left to right: Jerry Townsend, Earl Langler, Charles Syers, Lyle Rossiter, Bruce Harris, Larry Kempf, Albert Wiegand.
Middle: Emie Wilson, Walter Coon, David Burley, Tom Pfeiffer, Larry Dilts, Steven Burley, Paul Sayers.
Front: Edward Clark, Renard Zuwerink, Forrest Harris, Charles Coffman, Donald Henry, Harold Burkett, and Coach-Mr. Dieters.

Albert Wiegand



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Not pictured: B. Harris.



"VARISITY"

(1st row) R. Zuwerink, D. Burley, L. Dilts, J. Townsend, A. Wiegand. (2nd row) D. Homan, R. Williams, E. Langler, C. Knash, B. Blakken, D. Henry, Coach Deiters.



"Track"

(1st row) D. Grant, R. Williams, D. Burley, B. Badeaux, L. Dilts, J. Boersema, J. Townsend, L. Matuzek. (2nd row) J. Vanderboegh, D. Homan, R. Vanderboegh, D. Loudermilk, T. Wiegand, J. Hansen, E. Langler, D. Coon, D. Kennedy, B. Blakkan, D. Welsh, A. Wiegand, R. Zuwerink, Mr. Deiters.

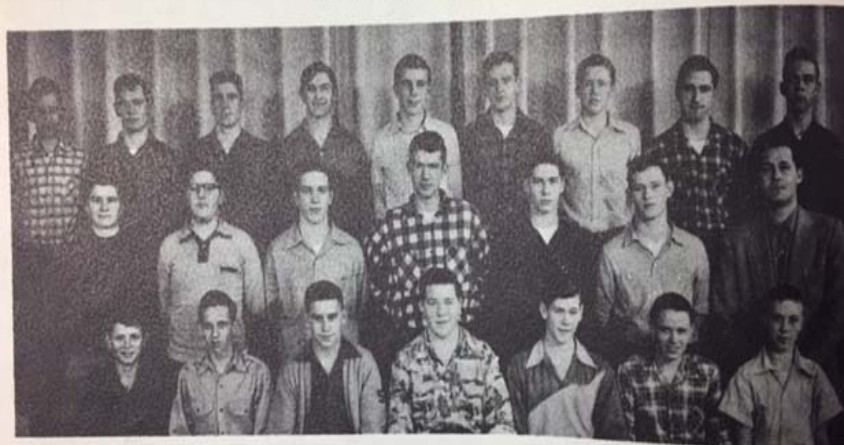
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"FOOTBALL"

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Baseball



First row-L to R--W. Stevens, D. Henry, R. Zuwerink, H. Dorman, C. Coffman, D. Grant, D. Homan.
Second row-L to R--E. Langler, E. Wilson, D. Burley, J. Carlyle, R. Moschke, S. Burley, Coach Deiters.
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Not pictured: B. Harris.

Albert Wiegand Class of 1957

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Class of 2016
Men's Athletic Inductees

Brian Johnson – Class of 1974

Brian Johnson



Double Trouble

Clieve Young (right) and Brian Johnson are a rarity around Holton High School. They're the first to ever win a state title in anything at the school. Each won a Michigan Class D individual wrestling crown last week at Lansing Waverly.

Thursday, March 14, 1974

Johnson and Young are champs

Holton High School wrestlers captured two state Individual Championships and one runner-up title in the finals of the state class "D" tournament last Saturday.

Brian Johnson (98) pinned Kevin Erwin, Covert, in the semi-final round and decided Jim Polling, Dansville, 17-0 in the finals to win his crown.

Clieve Young (155) won a hard fought 8-7 decision over Paul Buckner, Vestburg, in his first match and pinned Keith Taylor, Madison, in the finals.

Todd Keas (112) defeated Robert Spear, Michigan School for the Blind, by a 5-0 score in overtime. Todd then defeated Ron Heiler, Dansville, 7-1 to enter the finals. Keas was injured early in the championship match and lost by default



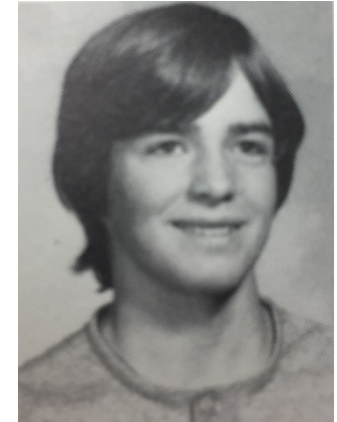
TWO HOLTON wrestlers brought home state championships titles from the state meet in Lansing last Saturday. Brian Johnson (left) won the 98 lb. division crown and Clieve Young won in the 155 lb. class. Between the two is Jack Demming, the Holton coach.

to Jeff Kruse, Madison, Todd was the winner of second place.

Steve Tomarras, Holton's fourth entry, lost a very close 5-4 decision to Richard Casarez who pinned his next

opponent to win the State Title.

Hesperia drew a bye in round one and defeated Walkerville 46-42 in round two. Holton was eliminated by Pentwater in first round play 72-53.



Holton qualified Brian Johnson (98), Todd Keas (112), Steve Tomarras (119) and Clieve Young (155) to compete in next Saturday's state championships at Lansing Waverly High School.

Other individual qualifiers for the finals were Don Stafford (167) of North Muskegon and Paul Miller (126) and Justin Carlson (138), both of Manistee Catholic Central.



Wrestling Ratings

By United Press International

Detroit Catholic, Charlotte, and Lakeview have taken over their respective second places in this week's Michigan high school wrestling ratings.

The ratings are compiled by the Michigan High School Wrestling Coaches Association based on dual meets and tournaments and released weekly by UPI.

Detroit Catholic used a tournament win to swap places with Swartz Creek in Class A, the same method utilized by Charlotte to edge ahead of Fenton in Class B.

Holton nosed out North Muskegon to make an appearance in the fifth Class D spot.

Brian Johnson

The ratings:

CLASS A

- 1 Wayne Memorial
- 2 Detroit Catholic
- 3 Swartz Creek
- 4 Grandville
- 5 Adrian
- 6 Romulus
- 7 Grand Ledge
- 8 East Lansing
- 9 Temperance-Bedford
- 10 Alpena

CLASS B

- 1 Mount Pleasant
- 2 Charlotte
- 3 Fenton
- 4 GR Forest Hills Central
- 5 Grand Rapids West Catholic
- 6 Greenville
- 7 Grand Rapids Catholic
- 8 Battle Creek Harper Creek
- 9 Sturgis
- 10 Alma

CLASS C

- 1 Montrose
- 2 Lakeview
- 3 Comstock Park
- 4 New Lothrop
- 5 Shepherd
- 6 Pontiac Catholic
- 7 Detroit Country Day
- 8 Addison
- 9 Galesburg-Augusta
- 10 Shelby

CLASS D

- 1 Adrian Madison
- 2 Frankfort
- 3 Hesperia
- 4 Dansville
- 5 Holton



1st Row: J. Green, M. Pontius, R. Wehl, P. Broton, Coach Mr. Deming,
2nd Row: C. Sloan, D. Marshal, T. Henry, E. J. Gee, C. Young, J. Keas,

D. Kuck, G. Mead, D. Mead, S. Rogers, T. Keas, B. Johnson.



The wrestling team from left to right: G. Chase, D. Marshall, R. Macy, J. Hill, C. Young, J. Keas, R. Wehl, G. Mead, D. Frein, D. Mead, S. Rogers, B. Johnson, standing are: B. Pierce, F. McMeans mg., and their coach Mr. Deming.

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**Two Holton Matmen
 Win State Titles**

LANSING — Two Holton High wrestlers came home with individual state titles after competing in the state Class D finals at Lansing Waverly High School Saturday night.

Holton's champions were Brian Johnson in the 98-pound division and Clive Young, who won the honors in the 155 class.

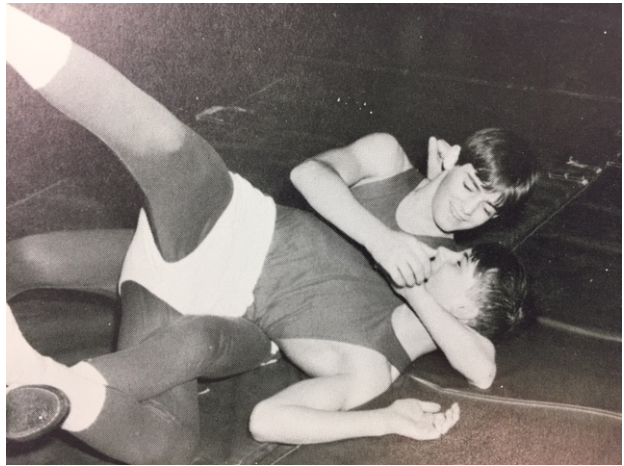
Two others placers for Holton were Todd Keas, second at 112, and Steve Tomaras, third at 119.

Meanwhile, Hesperia had five placers, including a pair of runners-up. Seconds went to Bruce Towne (132) and heavyweight Rich Brimmer. Terry Rossman was third at 105 with fourths going to Steve DeLong (185) and Dean McDonnell (145).

North Muskegon was paced by a third-place finish by Don Stafford in the 167 division.

Adrian Madison defeated 41-12 in the team semifinals prior to downing Dansville 29-27 for the "D" state team crown.

Named as "Coach of the Year" in Class D was Coach Bob Henry of Hesperia.



1st Row: Mr. Rogers, P. Vasicek, S. Henry, C. Huey, J. Johnston, P. Broton, D. Brooks, B. Johnson, M. Broton, B. Busch, R. Beeman.

Brian Johnson

- Holton 40, Grant 12**
- 98—Jeff VanLoon (G) d. Chris Bosse, 6-4.
 - 105—Brian Johnson (H) p. Art Gilhara, 41.
 - 112—No match
 - 119—Todd Keas (H) p. Ricky Kloe, 2-43
 - 126—Steve Tomaras (H) d. Mike VanLoon, 10-0.
 - 132—Rick Hynes (G) d. Pat Broton, 4-0.
 - 138—Dave Kuck (H) p. Dave Osborn, 5:06.
 - 145—Mike Pontlus (H) d. Bob Rusco, 3-2.
 - 155—Clive Young (H) p. Carl Brisban, 5:39.
 - 167—Joe Hunt (H) d. Lee Baker, 6-3.
 - 185—Terry Henry (H) won by forfeit.
 - Hwy.—Jerry Cushman (G) won by forfeit.

High School Wrestlers Get Shot at State Titles

The last step to state wrestling championships will be taken Friday and Saturday as area grapplers compete in the four final events.

Calvin College in Grand Rapids will host the Class A tournament with the "B" at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, the "C" at Lansing Haulters High School and the first annual "D" meet at Lansing Waverly High School on Saturday night.

Hesperia will have the biggest representation among area schools for the Panthers qualified as a team for the "D" championship meet.

After Hesperia, Frutport of Class B and Ravenna of "C" with five wrestlers each have the biggest representation.

Monte Shores and Grand Haven have the only representatives in Class A. Monte Shores will be sending regional champion Dan Matthews (136) along with Jim Lagione (98) and Ken Ravara

(109) while Grand Haven will be entering Dan Tuck (105).

Monte Shores is hoping to finish in the top 10 with the three wrestlers at LeVell and Matthews' look qualified for the state meet last year as seniors.

Frutport, which is entering a split in the top five for class B, heads a list of 18 area "B" qualifiers with six first qualifiers.

Included in the group of Frutport entrants are defending state champion Greg Prosser (118) and regional champion Ross Swanson (95) who is only a sophomore. Other Hesperia who will be competing are juniors John Jayne (142) and Bill Fingerman (132) and senior Jerry Hill (jun.).

Orchard View and Muskegon Catholic Central each have three qualifiers with Don Spitzman (109), Dave Goholyn (112) and Arnold Parnell (94.) bringing UV's contingent and regional entrant

Larry Lewandowski (165), Eric Swanson (136) and Ted Teverson (135) making up Catholic's group of representatives.

Ludington has a pair of regional champions comprising its entries in Tim Ryan (106) and Brian Schuster (95) while Fremont has regional title Guy Redinger (136) and runner-up Joe Stankis (147) and Keweenaw-Puller Darryl Wine (132) and Paul Schmitt (138).

Spring Lake's Scott VanLoon (98) rounds out the list of area Class B qualifiers.

Four schools have individuals at the "C" tournament with Ravenna having Eric Hart, four, Shelby three and Muskegon one.

Regional champions Joe Drummond (118) and Lloyd Cogwell (105) plus Ravenna's hopes who also include runner-up AJ Gomez (140) and North Muskegon's Steve French (126) and Jim

Belton (105).

Cogwell will be attempting to extend his perfect season as he has set a Ravenna record for consecutive victories by winning 20 straight matches.

Mark Carlson (98), Ken Kinschler (105), Steve Finelohr (132) and Dan Albrecht (145) will make up Hart's contingent with regional champion Elroy Elara (105), Kevin Campbell (130) and Clarence Chase (jun.) representing Shelby.

The only other area wrestler in the "C" tournament will be Muskegon's Steve Erdman (105).

The "D" meet will have two separate parts with Hesperia as one of four regional team champions competing for the team crown which will be decided by dual meet results.

Hesperia will meet the Adrian Madison regional champion in a five-man

dual meet while the Frutport regional winner faces the Dansville team representative.

The two final round winners will advance into the finals for first and second place while the two early losers will wrestle off for third and fourth place.

An individual tournament for all outstanding wrestlers from last week's four regional will be held in the evening with Hesperia entering Terry Rossman (105), Bruce Towne (132), Dean McDonnell (145), Steve DeLong (185) and Rich Brimmer (jun.).

Hesperia has three wrestlers (98), Steve King (132), Dave Brown (119) and Chris Young (120) entered while North Muskegon's only representative will be Dan Lockhart (107).

Team depth will play a key role in the deciding the "A," "B" and "C" championships as points will be awarded for six placers for the first time.

Frutport's Al Schuss, head coach, is one of two coaches nominated for Region Eight Coach of the Year by the Michigan High School Wrestling Coaches Association.

Schuss, who has a 24-4 three-year dual record at Frutport and has won three straight Seaway Conference titles along with a Class A and B district titles, was associated along with Mickey DeVine of Grand Rapids with Catholic.

Competition in the "A," "B" and "C" tournaments will start at noon and continue at 7 on Friday with Saturday's matches also beginning at noon.

The third, fourth, fifth and sixth place matches will be decided at 8 p.m. Saturday with the finals scheduled to begin at 9:30.

The "D" meet will get underway at 11 a.m. Saturday for the team title while the individual championships will be decided at 8 p.m.

Brian Johnson



1974 Class D Wrestling Lower Peninsula Individual Champions

Weight Class	Individual Champion	School	Result
98	Brian Johnson	Holton	17-0
105	Jeff Schlaack	Vanderbilt	2:50
112	Jeff Kruse	Adrian Madison	Default
119	Richard Casarez	Adrian Madison	1:35
126	David Gutierrez	Adrian Madison	3:33
132	Val Gutierrez	Adrian Madison	6-0
138	Chris Lieder	Dansville	12-5
145	Dennis McCann	Dansville	8-3
155	Clieve Young	Holton	1:52
167	Kevin King	Adrian Madison	5-2
185	Rich Beach	Vestaburg	6-2
Heavyweight	Maurice Jones	Covert	1:59

HOLTON ATHLETICS
HALL OF FAME



Class of 2016
Athletic Team Inductee

1954 Varsity Football Team

Head Coach: Norm Deiters
Assistant Coach: Billy Shively

Holton's First Football Team



1954 Varsity Football Team – Record: 5-1

First row, back (left to right): Earl Langler, Ernie Wilson, Dave Burley, Larry Trygstad, Larry Dilts, David Cramblet, Jim Rollenhagen, Ray Moschke, Steve Burley; Second row, middle (left to right): Coach Norm Deiters, Bruce Blakkan, Doug Gue, Jerry Townsend, Walter Coon, Lyle Rossiter, Larry Kempf, Chet Pickard, Don Homan; Third Row (left to right): Don Henry, Renard Zuwerink, David Coon, Albert Wiegand, Ed Dagen, Clarence Brannam, Cliff Coon, Harry Dorman, Chuck Coffman, Don Grant, Bruce Harris – Not pictured.

1954 Varsity Football Team Record

Opponent	Result
Hesperia	Won: 24 – 0
Baldwin	Loss: 8 – 13
Muskegon Heights	Won: 18 – 0
Marne	Won: 27 – 0
Muskegon Catholic Central	Won: 13 – 7
Ludington St. Simon's	Won: 14 – 0
Overall Record:	5 wins – 1 loss 104 points for / 20 points against



First row—L to R--L. Trygstad, J. Rollenhagen, R. Zuwerink, J. Townsend, L. Rossiter, R. Moschke, L. Dilts.
Second row—L to R--A. Weigand, S. Burlev, W. Coon, L. Kempf.

News Media Season Highlights

Source: The Muskegon Chronicle September 16, 1954 (Page 14); September 23, 1954 (Page 14); and September 25, 1954 (Page 10).

Holton Ready For First Grid Game

Holton, Sept. 16—Holton High School will inaugurate football for the first time this season and Coach Norm Deiters and assistant Billy Shively have 26 boys preparing for a six-game schedule.

"We have no lettermen and no experience but a lot of spirit as all the boys have shown a willingness to learn," reports Coach Deiters. "We have a squad of 26 out and none of them have dropped from the squad as yet."

Nine seniors, seven juniors, six sophomores and four freshmen are listed on the roster.

The Red Devils will be hurting a little as far as size goes. Jim Rollenhagen, a guard, weighs 208 pounds but the nearest to him on the tentative starting lineup is end Larry Dilts at 163.

Coach Deiters lists his starters as Dilts and Bruce Harris at ends, Renard Zuwerink and Lyle Rossiter at tackles, Rollenhagen and Larry Trygstad at guards, Gerald Townsend at center, Charles Coffman and Larry Kempf at halfbacks and Steve Burley at fullback.

Burley, Coffman, Coon, Harris, Rollenhagen, Rossiter and Trygstad are seniors; Kempf, Townsend and Zuwerink are juniors, and Dilts a sophomore.

Holton will have some speed but just how much else will have to be determined after the Red Devils get some game experience.

Holton will open at Hesperia Sept. 24. The Red Devils are members of the West Michigan class D Conference but have no conference games as such since only Ludington St. Simon's has football among member teams.

The schedule:

Sept. 24—Hesperia, here 7:30 p. m.
Sept. 30—Baldwin, here 10 p. m.
Oct. 8—Muskegon Heights Reserves, here 4 p. m.
Oct. 15—Marne, here 12 p. m.
Oct. 22—Muskegon—Catholic reserves, here 8 p. m.
Sept. 28—Marne, here 7:30 p. m.

Holton Meets Hesperia in Important Tilt

Hesperia, Sept. 23. — Two high schools with plenty of incentive to win will clash here in their opener at 3 p. m. tomorrow.

Hesperia will be out to break a losing streak of seven games last season, while Holton will be seeking a win in its first venture into football.

The home team will have the advantage of experience, having 15 boys on the roster with at least one year of duty under their belts. Both teams will be about even in the matter of speed and size.

Coach Gene Wright announced his Hesperia lineup today with Gerald Perry and Jack Enderle at ends, Lester Allison and Clare Bottorff at tackles, Sid Gleason and Gary Rumsey at guards, Wayne Ensing at center, Kenny Dean at quarterback, Lloyd Gauld and Virgil Robinson at halfbacks and Jerry O'Neil at fullback. Dean, a freshman, is the only player without experience.

Holton's coach, Norm Deiters,

listed his starters as follows: Larry Dilts and Bruce Harris at ends, Renard Zuwerink and Lyle Rossiter at tackles, Larry Trygstad and James Rollenhagen at guards, Walter Coon at quarterback, Charles Coffman and Larry Kempf at halfbacks and Steve Burley at fullback.

Holton Wins First Grid Game, 24-0

HOLTON (24)

Ends—Dilts, D. Burley, Harris, Langier.
Tackles—Rollenhagen, Cramblet, Zuwerink, Moschka, Dorman.
Guards—Rossiter, Trygstad, F. Harris, C. Coon.
Centers—Townsend, Wiegand.
Backs—W. Coon, S. Burley, Coffman, Kempf, D. Coon, Blakken, Clark, Henry.

HESPERIA (0)

Ends—Perry, Enderle.
Tackles—Allison, Bottorff.
Guards—Gleason, Rumsey.
Center—Ensing.
Backs—Dean, Gauld, Robinson, O'Neil.
Score by Quarters: 0 6 6 12—24
Holton 0 6 6 12—24
Hesperia 0 0 0 0—0
Touchdowns—W. Coon, Coffman, S. Burley, Kempf.
Officials—Phelps, Dolack, Young.

Hesperia, Sept. 25.—No football victory ever came sweeter to a team than Holton's 24-0 triumph over Hesperia here, yesterday.

The Red Devils, playing football for the first time in its history, completely dominated play and had two touchdowns called back by penalties. The officials stepped off 100 yards against Hesperia and 80 against Holton.

Walter Coon got the honor of scoring the first Red Devil touchdown on a quarterback sneak in the second quarter. Charles Coffman got the second tally on a 22-yard run in the third frame. Steve Burley smashed seven yards off tackle for the third TD and Larry Kempf hit for five off tackle and the fourth score.

Holton gained 185 yards rushing and 20 passing, to Hesperia's 60 on the ground and 15 in the air.

The loss was Hesperia's eighth in a row after losing all seven last season.

Baldwin Beats Holton Team in Close Contest

BALDWIN (13)

Ends—Booker, H. Cook.
Tackles—Wright, Cooper, J. C. Hood.
Guards—Reade, Doherty, L. Trucks.
Centers—Webb, Sweet.
Backs—J. Trucks, Kinchlow, Wyatt, L. Hood, V. French, Cole, Torman.

HOLTON (0)

Ends—Dilts, Harris, Langier.
Tackles—Rollenhagen, Zuwerink, Cramblet, Gorman.
Guards—Rossiter, Trygstad, C. Coon, Moschka.
Center—Wiegand.
Backs—W. Coon, Kempf, Coffman, Burley, Blakken.

Score by Quarters: 7 2 2 2—13
Baldwin 7 2 2 2—13
Holton 0 0 0 0—0
Touchdowns—Booker, J. Trucks, Burley. Points after touchdown—J. Trucks (touchdown), safety—J. Trucks (tackled in end zone by Burley and Cramblet).

Baldwin, Oct. 1.—Baldwin scored a touchdown in the fourth quarter to hand Holton a 13-0 defeat here yesterday afternoon.

The winners opened the scoring in the first quarter when Jay Trucks hit Bob Booker with a 40-yard scoring pass. Trucks converted on a line plunge.

The Red Devils came back with a touchdown and a safety in the second quarter to hold an 8-7 lead at the half. Steve Burley capped a 60-yard drive with a 17-yard scoring run for the touchdown.

Following the kickoff, Baldwin was penalized back to its four. Steve Burley and Dave Cramblet nailed Trucks in the end zone for the safety.

The third period was scoreless but hard fought. Trucks scored the final TD from the Holton six-inch line with four minutes left in the game to climax a 60-yard drive.

Holton moved to the Baldwin 25 in the fourth quarter but couldn't keep the drive going.

Holton, playing only its second game in history, showed weaknesses in pass defense which were exploited by Baldwin. Baldwin completed three out of nine passes for 84 yards while the Red Devils threw three times, completing none and having two intercepted.

The teams were almost dead even in the other statistics. Baldwin led in first downs, 13-12, and Holton had a rushing yardage edge of 138 to 134.

Dank Webb, Baldwin center, and back Trucks and Lou Hood starred for the winners. Renard Zuwerink led the Holton line with four fumble recoveries and Bruce Harris turned in some good blocking.

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Holton Varsity Wins 18-0 Over Little Tigers

Holton's varsity proved too big and quick for an undermanned Muskegon Heights reserve team and the Red Devils rolled to an 18-0 triumph at Phillips Field yesterday.

The Little Tigers were forced to play without the services of five regulars, three of them backs, and couldn't muster any offensive punch against a rugged Holton line.

Larry Kempf scored the first Red Devil touchdown when he ran a punt back 40 yards in the first quarter.

The Red Devils threatened twice in the second quarter with Walter Coon passing to Larry Dilts for 60 yards. Holton failed to make a first down by inches on the Little Tiger five and then lost the ball by a fumble on the 10, minutes later.

The Little Tigers moved from their 20 to the Holton 14 before losing the ball on downs in the second frame.

Coon passed to Bruce Harris for 60 yards to the Heights 23 early in the third quarter. Charles Coffman went 13 yards to the eight and Kempf went the final five yards to score.

The Red Devils intercepted a Little Tiger pass on the Heights 23 and went on to score the final TD early in the fourth quarter. Steve Burley went the final five yards.

The Little Tigers had one final chance to score when a poor Holton punt went only to the Red Devil nine. A five-yard penalty halted the chance.

The Red Devils, playing only their third game in the history of the school, showed a wealth of spirit and aggressiveness and they promise to be quite a team when they learn the fine points of the game.

The Little Tigers tried hard but had too much inexperience in the backfield. The game marked the first time this year that the Little Tiger goal was crossed.

Holton Victor Over Marne to Post 3-1 Mark

Fremont, Oct. 16 — Holton's Red Devils rolled to their third win in four starts by defeating Marne, 27-0, here yesterday.

The game was played here because Holton does not have a home gridiron as yet.

Al Wiegand scored twice for Holton while Larry Kempf and Steve Burley each added one touchdown. Bruce Harris kicked an extra point and Holton added two more points on a safety.

The Red Devils piled up 297 yards rushing to 21 and led in first downs, 11-2. Marne had 26 yards passing to Holton's 21.

Wiegand's first touchdown capped an 85-yard drive and he covered the final 20 yards. Kempf climaxed a 45-yard drive with a six-yard plunge and Harris kicked the point to make it 13-0 at the end of the first quarter.

Holton drove 35 yards in the second frame with Burley plunging over from the two. Wiegand ran 35 yards for the final touchdown in the third quarter.

The safety was added in the third quarter when a pass from center rolled out of the Marne end zone.

Holton Beats Catholic 2nds For 4th Win

Holton ran its football record to 4-1 when it urred back Muskegon Catholic Central's reserves, 13-7, at Catholic's field last night before 400 spectators.

Catholic scored first in the first quarter and maintained a 7-6 lead until six minutes remained in the fourth period. Larry Kempf then broke loose for his second 70-yard touchdown excursion of the night to gain the win for the Red Devils.

Paul Combs scored for Catholic in the first quarter from 14 yards out after a long pass had put the ball on Holton's 14.

The Red Devils countered later in the period when Kempf ran 70 yards for his first touchdown. Calvin Kuehnl ran for Catholic's extra point, giving the parochials a 7-6 lead at the intermission.

Catholic threatened seriously in the third quarter when a pass from Dave Martin to Ramon Gimbornys moved the ball to the Holton 14, but the drive sputtered.

Kempf got off on his touchdown run early in the fourth and Bruce Harris' placement made it 13-7.

Harris, Dave Cramblett and Al Wiegand were the defensive stalwarts for Holton. Bob Fox was Catholic's defensive star with Combs carrying the load on offense.

Holton will close its first season in history Tuesday night against Ludington St. Simons in a homecoming game. The contest will be played at Fremont since the Holton gridiron is not ready yet.

Holton Beats St. Simon's in Season Finale

HOLTON (14)
Ends—Harris, Dilts, Langster, D. Burley.

Tackles—Zerwink, Rollenhagen, Cramblett, Dorman.
Guards—Reseller, Dagen, Moschio.
Centers—Townsend, C. Coon.
Backs—W. Coon, Wiegand, Coffman, Kempf, S. Burley, Brannan.

ST. SIMON'S (8)
Ends—Lis, Rawley.
Tackles—Gumbey, Graker, O'Brien.
Guards—Rathack, Sabanski.
Center—Grottel.
Backs—Hornock, Findling, Fellows.

Score by quarters:
HOLTON 3 7 0 7—14
ST. SIMON'S 0 0 0 0—0
Touchdowns—S. Burley, Kempf.
Points after—Harris 2 (placement).
Officials—Wright, referee; Delack, umpire; Young, head linesman.

Fremont, Nov. 10—Holton High School closed out its first football season in history with a 14-0 win over Ludington St. Simon's here last night.

The victory gave the Red Devils a fine 5-1 record with a 13-8 defeat at the hands of strong Baldwin the only blot. The game was played at Fremont because the Holton field is not finished.

The Red Devils scored first in the second quarter on a sustained drive of 64 yards. Larry Kempf ran 20 yards for the big gainer and Steve Burley and Kempf alternated to carry the ball to the St. Simon's four. Burley plunged off guard for the score and Bruce Harris converted.

The score remained 7-0 until midway in the fourth quarter when Kempf capped an 87-yard drive with a one-yard plunge for a touchdown. Walt Coon passed to Harris for 37 yards and Al Wiegand and Kempf did most of the gaining on the ground. Harris again placekicked the extra point.

The Shamrocks threatened only once in the game when they recovered a Holton fumble on the Holton 30.

Harris was outstanding on defense for the Red Devils.

Walt Coon and Renard Zerwink were chosen co-captains for the season before the game.

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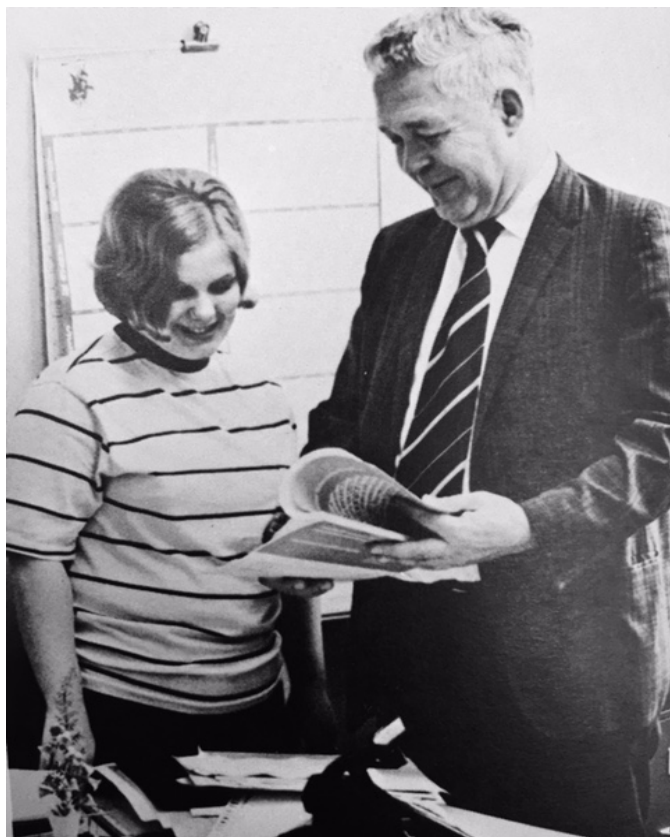
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Mr. Norm Deiters



WESTERN MICHIGAN CLASS D LEAGUE COACHES—Supt. Peter Sijelstra of Pentwater, new Western Michigan class D league president, is standing in the background telling a humorous story while coaches in the circuit join in laughter. Later they will become more serious as their teams battle for victories. Left to right, standing, Harold Carlin, Pentwater, Dan Allard, St. Simon's, Norm Deiters, Imlon, Claude Stevens, Custer; sitting, Max Carey, Freesoil and Harley Hodges, Walkerville. Luther was not represented at the meeting.

Coach Norm Deiters



Holton, Pentwater Head for Custer and Freesoil

Holton takes its unbeaten string of wins to Custer and Pentwater will try to stay in the running in the West Michigan class D league when it goes to Freesoil in two feature games Friday.

Winless Luther heads for LeRoy in a non-loop encounter.

Holton has a 4-0 league record and Pentwater is a half game behind with a 3-0 loop mark. Both teams can expect trouble on the foreign courts.

The fired-up Red Devils of Holton upset favored St. Simon's Tuesday and Coach Norm Deiters had to battle a let down. Coach Joe Hardy at Custer however has his trouble too. His Cards have not seen action since Dec. 20. A scheduled mid-vacation game with Freesoil had to be cancelled when the Custer heating plant failed to function.

Holton has won seven straight, all by solid margins while Custer has a 4-2 record.

Pentwater has a 3-3 record for the season but all of the Falcon losses have been outside the league. They have come in a row however

and the Falcons of Coach Lavern Goldner have not been hitting with the same balance they did earlier. Their loss to Manistee St. Joseph Tuesday, 66-48, contrasts sharply with Freesoil's 72-62 win over the Braves to make the Pirates slight favorites.

Luther which has lost its first six starts is an underdog to LeRoy. Luther lost 77-38 to Herscy who in turn lost to LeRoy, 47-42.

League Standings

	W	L	Pct.
Holton	4	0	1.000
Pentwater	3	0	1.000
St. Simon's	4	1	.800
Custer	2	2	.500
Walkerville	2	4	.333
Freessoil	0	3	.000
Luther	0	5	.000

FERRIS BOWS

OLIVET (W)—Bob Whitcomb's 21-point performance led Olivet to a 77-58 basketball victory over Ferris Institute Wednesday night.

It was Olivet's second victory in eight games.



Rocks Play Holton for 'D' Loop Lead

St. Simon's and Ludington are in the unenviable spot of being favorites against two of their bitterest foes.

In neither case is the margin very wide and in St. Simon's case this may be wiped out by the fact they play on a foreign court. But the week's program shapes up as one of the best of the season for area basketball fans.

St. Simon's invasion of Holton Tuesday in a West Michigan class D league lead test headlines that program. Walkerville goes to Lu-

ther, Pentwater hosts Manistee St. Joseph and Baldwin hosts Ravenna in other area games. There will be a lot of interest here in how Alma makes out against St. Louis and what Fremont does at North Muskegon as well as the Shelby invasion of Reed City.

Mt. Pleasant comes to Ludington Friday and that automatically makes it the No. 1 league game of the season for many Ludington fans. The two teams have been battling so long over the right to rule the North Central that the

Jim Tatum Takes N. Carolina Job

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP)—Jim Tatum, "like an old Br'er Rabbit going back to the rabbit patch," has quit the job that earned him a reputation as one of football's master tacticians to become head coach at the University of North Carolina.

He announced his resignation Sunday as football coach and athletic director at the University of Maryland to take a job that will pay less, but lighten the load of his responsibilities.

Terms of Tatum's contract with UNC were not announced. But Jake Wade, North Carolina's athletic publicity director, said the salary will not exceed the \$15,000 limit placed on the position by the State Legislature.

And Tatum said, "I'm not going down there as athletic director and coach, only a coach. You ought to get some idea from that, that Carolina can't afford to pay me as much as Maryland was." He received \$18,500 yearly at Maryland.

"The job as football coach and athletic director got to be so mammoth at Maryland," he said, "I felt I was spreading myself too thin."

"I just didn't have the time any more to run both jobs right. I lost touch more and more with my team, especially with my quarterback Frank Tamburello, and it was hurting them and their performance."

"And with all due respect to my other coaches, when Warren Giese left for South Carolina (Giese resigned last week to become head coach at South Carolina), I lost someone who had taken a great deal of the load off my shoulders. His loss really hurt."

Tatum also said, "Now my family and I will be right in the heart of our home country and this may be the last chance to return there. I had the opportunity once before and turned it down. Sometimes I regretted it."

THE SCHEDULE		
TUESDAY		
Alma (1-5) at ST. LOUIS (5-1).	MONTAGUE (4-1) at Muskegon Christian (3-3).	
FREMONT (5-0) at North Muskegon (2-3).	Shelby (2-2) at REED CITY (5-1).	
ST. SIMON'S (7-0) at Holton (4-0).	WALKERVILLE (2-4) at Luther (0-5).	
Manistee St. Joseph (1-4) at PENTWATER (3-2).	Ravenna at BALDWYN (4-2).	
WEDNESDAY		
Clara (1-2) at MT. PLEASANT (1-4).	THURSDAY (4:30 P. M.)	
Custer Reserves at LUDINGTON FRESHMEN (3-0).	FRIDAY	
Mt. Pleasant at LUDINGTON (4-0).	Cadillac (2-4) at ALMA.	
Manistee (4-1) at BIG RAPIDS (3-2).	Hart (0-7) at SCOTTVILLE (2-4).	
Shelby at MONTAGUE.	Whitehall (2-4) at NORTH MUSKOGEE.	
SATURDAY		
HOLTON at Custer (4-2).	Pentwater at FREESOIL (3-3).	
Luther at LEROY.	BALDWYN at Kent City.	

game is loaded with tradition. But the same thing will take place at Scottville Friday where the Spartans of Mason County Central take on their old rivals, the Hart Pirates. Custer hosts Holton in what appears as a big game for the Cards while Freesoil hosts Pentwater in a key battle.

St. Simon's has won every one of the nine games played with Holton since the two teams got together in 1951 including a 53-41 win taken in the Grand Rapids Regional last spring. The two teams play a radically different type of ball. St. Simon's Coach Dan Allard has been getting good point production out of his guards and has ordered his Shamrocks to control the ball. Coach Norm Deiters, who had a good chance to scout the Shamrocks last Saturday night, has been using a press and a fast break as Holton rolled to six wins. Common victims have been Luther, Walkerville and Freesoil. St. Simon's beat Luther 79-30, Walkerville 57-39 and Freesoil 59-40. Holton won 82-36 over Luther, 57-49 over Walkerville and 50-47 over Freesoil (in a game played at Freesoil.)

Pentwater faces a Manistee St. Joseph team that is just burning to get out of the six-game losing streak they are presently in. The Braves lost 73-70 to Walkerville last week, a team that Pentwater beat 48-45, but if anything it looks as if the game will be close.

Walkerville is favored over winless Luther as they seek to balance up their record at four wins and four defeats.

NCAA Recognize

Holton presents a special problem for the Shamrocks because Coach Norm Deiters has seen the Shamrocks twice and will know what to expect. The same is true however for Coach Dan Allard.

That beating the Shamrocks took from Holton early in the season may backfire in that it will give the Shamrocks a lot of incentive.

The Shamrocks are familiar enough with the Burton Junior high gym and it seems to me that they were scheduled to install glass backboards this year. That could be a factor in St. Simon's favor because they have been playing on glass backboards all season.

There are no class A games Thursday night when the class D teams play so there will be plenty of room for everybody.

Coach Deiters

1954



Varsity

Back row from left to right: Ernie Wilson, Larry Dilts, Calvin Young, Larry Trygstad, Larry Kempf, and Mr. Deiters.
Front row: Gerry Townsend, Bruce Harris, Steven Burley, Gerry Brooks, Walter Coon, and Renard Zuwerink.



Varsity Team

Row 1. T. Lareva, Manager, M. Noble, L. Shafer, D. Loudermilk, R. Clark, S. Swenson, B. Badeaux, R. Boike, J. Hansen, P. Levandowski, D. Coon, D. Grant, Mr. Deiters, Coach.



"VARISITY"

(1st row) R. Zuwerink, D. Burley, L. Dilts, J. Townsend, A. Wiegand. (2nd row) D. Homan, R. Williams, E. Langler, C. Knash, B. Blakken, D. Henry, Coach Deiters.





"Baseball"

(1st row) M. Dorman, D. Kennedy, L. Matuzek, L. Shafer, H. Dorman, D. Benton. (2nd row) J. Vanderboegh, D. Homan, J. Hansen, E. Langler, D. Burley, B. Badaux, J. Townsend, D. Coon, Mr. Deiters. (3rd row) B. Striker, J. Wolffis, R. Zuwerink, T. Wiegand, D. Loudermilk, C. Dagen, R. Vanderboegh, A. Wiegand, D. Henry, D. Welsh.

HOLTON ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME

"Our team won more matches than ever before," Coach Norman Deiters stated satisfactorily at the season's end. The team's final record of 2 wins and 5 losses was a great improvement over previous years. Coach Deiters further commented, "They were basically a young team in golf experience," and could be really successful next year after a summer of practice.

While all the players worked hard, one player should be mentioned as an outstanding golfer during the 1975-76 season. Jim Kruszynski was all-conference and tied for 2nd in a Grand Rapids tournament. He averaged 38.5 strokes for nine holes.

The golf team lost its only female member, senior Ilene Broton. The rest of the golfers will be ready to putt into action next fall.



Top row, left to right: Terry Keas and Ilene Broton. Bottom row, left to right: Jack Knowles, Dan Broton, and Tim Walsworth. Not pictured: Ken Graff, Barry Jackson, Dan Packard, and Jim Kruszynski.

Holton Red Devils Enjoy Game Under Coach Norm Deiters

By JOE EYLER

IT'S REFRESHING to find a place where football is played for fun in these high-pressure days. Even high school football sometimes gets out of hand as far as pressure on big games and winning seasons goes.

One place where football definitely hasn't got out of hand is Holton High School.

The Red Devils seldom have been heard of athletically until the advent of personable Norm Deiters as head coach last fall. Holton didn't take up football until this fall but already the Red Devils have a 2-1 record and are having a lot of fun at it.

It is a big step for a school the size of Holton to take up 11-man football, starting from scratch with no equipment or field.

It was with some trepidation that Holton officials authorized an outlay of about \$1,000 for equipment. The helmets weren't delivered until the season started, leaving the Red Devils little chance for contact.

Yet, the Holton school board can consider the money well spent. In fact the board may have made one of its most important contributions to its school's life.

Holton boys love football and are succeeding at it — a great accomplishment when you figure their football experience has been limited to three boys, two who played junior high at Muskegon, and one who saw some reserve action at Fremont as a freshman.



Coach Norm Deiters

Earn Trip to Des Moines



The Sioux Center High team, left to right, back row: Jack Oliver, Norman Deiters, Bob De Kraay, Kenneth Van Roekel, Stanley Straatsma, Marvin Wierda, Arthur Schulteman, Coach Dean McCormick. Bottom row, Bernie Kroon, Maurice Vande Burg, David De Ruyter, Bill Westhuis and Wilbur Van Dokkumburg.

Norman Deiters Gets Scholarship To Iowa U.

Norman Deiters was granted a scholarship from Iowa University and will attend school there this coming year. He enters the university under the same terms as does Stanley Straatsma, since both boys were outstanding basketball players on the local team in the past two years. Norman will also go out for football this fall at Iowa.


TWO LOCAL TENNIS STARS ARE ON BRONCO SQUAD

KALAMAZOO—Coach Ray Sorenson of the Western Michigan college tennis team has more than a dozen candidates working out twice a week in the Bronco gymnasium in preparation for the spring vacation southern trip in April with present indications being that little, if any outdoor work will be possible before the team leaves on the tour.

Four lettermen are included on the squad, co-captains James Jankowski, Hamtramck, and Don Constant, Grand Haven, along with William Saginaw, Hamtramck, and John Bailey, Battle Creek.

Newcomers to the squad include a trio from out of the state in Fletcher Cooper, Haverford, Penn.; Ivan Elovich, Gary, Ind., and Charles Walker, Elkhart, Ind. New Michigan candidates include Robert Ball, Kalamazoo; James Emmons, Dowagiac; Yale Brandt, Battle Creek; Don Morley, Kalamazoo, and Norman Deiters, Muskegon Heights.

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Mr. Mark Houston

Coach Mark Houston

Wrestling Returns

Wrestling has finally returned to Holton. After four years wrestling is back in the winter sports program.

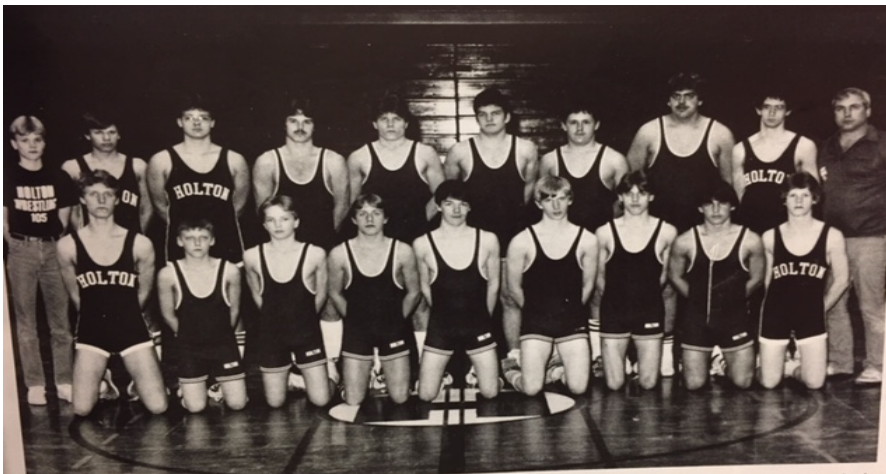
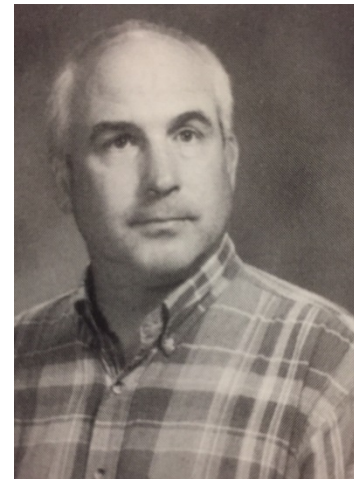
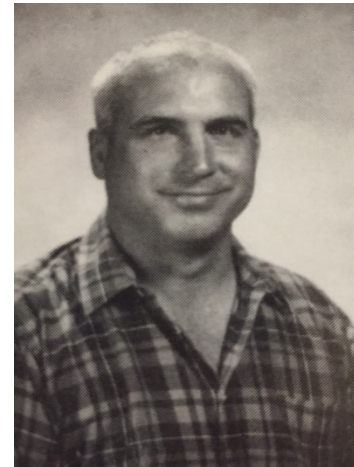
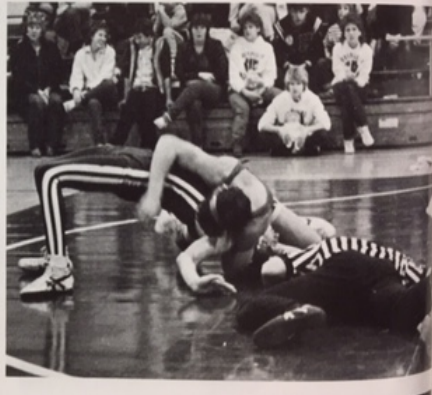
"Coach Houston is an excellent coach. The reason everyone wrestled was for him," stated junior Mannie Cregg.

Senior Dave McKenzie said, "I enjoyed the season. It was competition on your own. When you're running with the team, because it was a team, there was a camaraderie."

The wrestling squad did a great job for their first year. This was proved by over fifty individual wins.

Coach Houston felt that "we didn't have enough ninth and tenth graders out. The few we did will really help."

The wrestlers can be proud of their season. A team couldn't do much better for the first year.



1986 Wrestling Team. Front Row: Soren Tapdrup, Dean Marvin, Paul Burrel, Terry Bayne, Jon Marvin, Andy Zuwerink, Larry Umphleet, Todd Friend, Matt Wildfong. Row Two: Manager Rodney Gleason, Steve Gleason, David Hubbard, Brian Eling, Don Snider, Eric Rothoff, Pete Mulready, Joe Slater, Dan Barr, Coach Mark Houston.

After Tough Season Varsity Lands in Second Place

The varsity football squad continued to break more records, including finishing in second place in the league for the second consecutive year. The team defeated Hesperia for the first time in eight years. And then the Red Devils faced stiff non-league competition including state-ranked North Muskegon and nearby rival Montague.

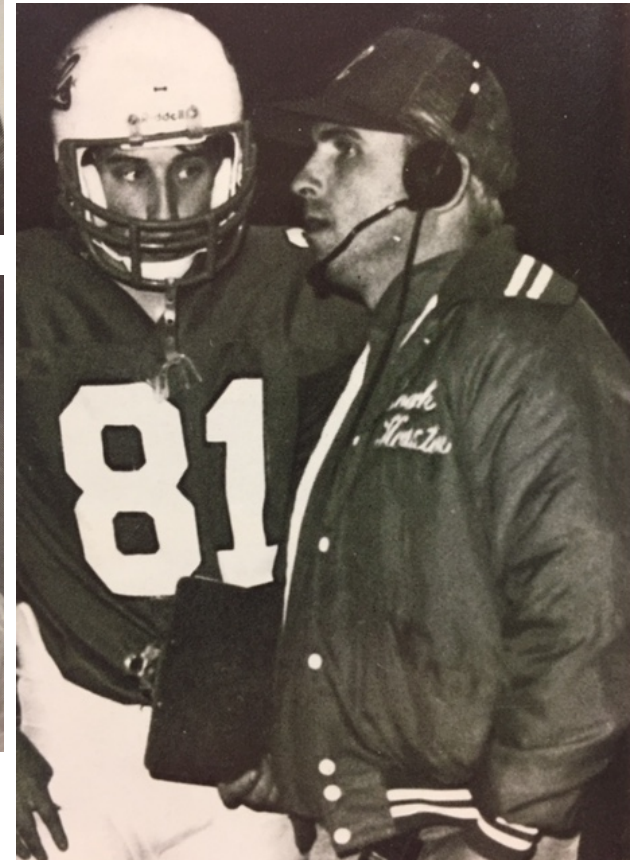
Senior Eric Rothoff, a three-year letter winner, said, "The football field was one of the greatest learning areas because during the 1987 season we found truth behind the saying 'United we stand; divided we fall.'"

Senior Todd Friend, another three-year letter winner, added, "When I think of my football career, I think of the saying, 'The

bigger they are; the harder they fall.'"

Varsity players attributed their continued dramatic improvement to the leadership of Coach Mark Houston.

Kurt Newell





1987 Varsity Football Team. Managers Kurt Hansen, Chad Grove. Front Row: Jason Stein, Jeff Baker, Dave Weigand, Tim Coon, Chet Zarko, Steve May, Todd Friend, Dean Marvin, Damian Flores, Jeff Harris, Todd Cregg, Darrin Snider, Jim Swenson. Row Two: Asst. Coach Ken Haggart, Chris Hansen, Aaron Slater, Leif Rothoff, Phil Green, Eric Rothoff, Allen Slater, Adam Glaser, Matt Wildfong, Mike Baker, Brett Bartollameolli, Coach Mark Houston.

Wrestling Team. Front Row: Jason Barnhard, Jerry Priest, Leroy Miller, Leif Rothoff, Dean Marvin, Rodney Gleason, Steve May, David Short, David Hubbard, Todd Friend. Row Two: Head Coach Mark Houston, Mike Wilson, James Tice, Eric Rothoff, Dean Evilsizer, Tim Coon, Terry Bayne, Kirk Younts, Albert Short, Damion Flores, Matt Wildfong, Asst. Coach Kenneth Haggart.

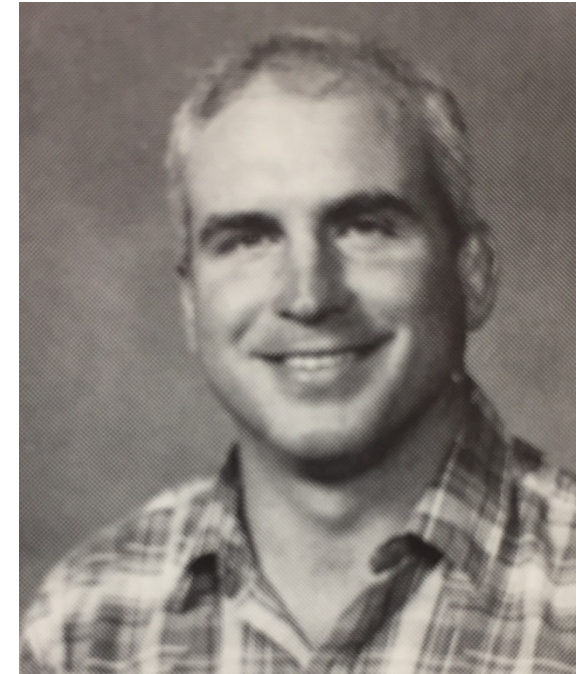


This year's performance of the Varsity football players has given rise to future expectation even more promising than this past fall. Varsity Coach Mark Houston looks forward to the coming season. "Hopefully they, the varsity team, started a winning tradition in the school that will last for years to come."

Trying to play better in every single game and learning from mistakes are two of the most important ingredients that go into a successful varsity football player.

— Menso Martens
Ben Sutherland

Coach Mark Houston



New Coach; New Outlook

Mr. Mark Houston is a well-liked addition to the Red Devil coaching staff.

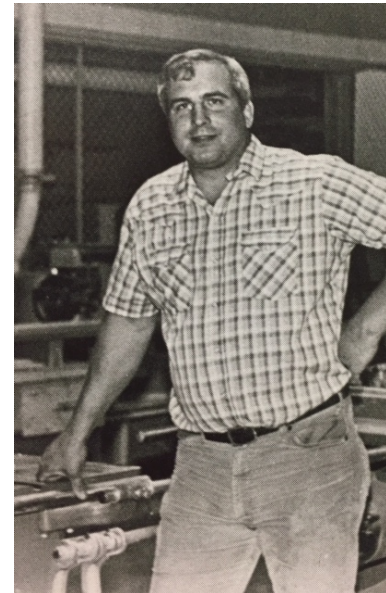
"Coach Houston will joke around and have fun with you in practice, but he is also serious enough so that you gain from every practice," states junior Brian Eling.

According to senior Tom Tuggle, "Coach Houston is a very good coach. He brought in a new outlook to the game and team. His new style of offense is nice and he also gave excellent pep talks."

Coach Houston has a positive outlook towards next year with all of the players in skilled positions coming back. All-Conference offensive and defensive end Al Bart joined by Quarterback Rob Cregg will be among the returning starters.

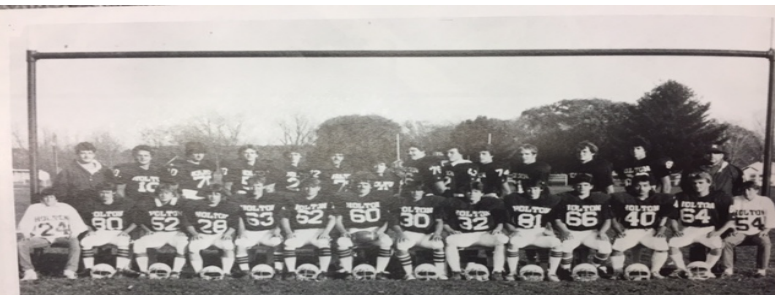
The Red Devils wrapped up the season with a 4-5 overall record.

— Tyler Yager





J.V. Baseball Team. Front Row: Steve McMiller, Rodney Gleason, Bill Seaben, Brian Cregg, Todd Wyant, Steve Hayes, Carl Murat. Row Two: Coach Mark Houston, L. D. DeLong, Jeff Chester, Kyle Noble, Otto Wishman, Wes May, Wayne Harris, David Carson, Kirk Younts.



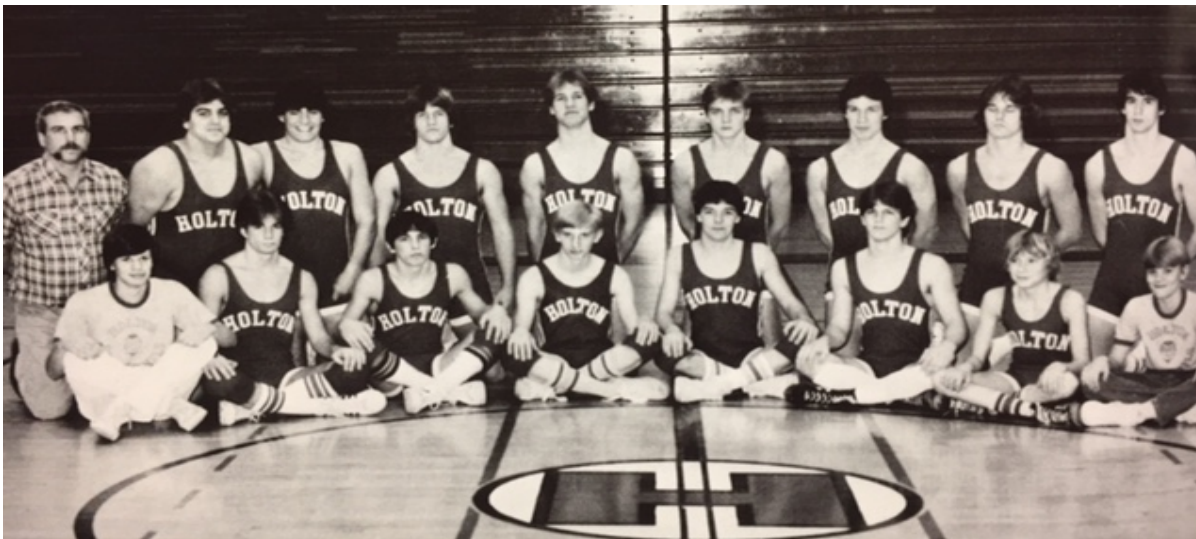
1985 Varsity Football Team. Front Row: Manager Tony Bartolameo, Tom Lusk, Kevin Rice, Tom Spoon, Soren Tapdrup, Menso Martens, Brian Eling, Todd Friend, Dan Snider, Eric Young, Eric Rothoff, Ben Sutherland, Tom Pant, Manager Brian Cregg. Row Two: Asst. Coach Ken Haggart, Greg Schmitt, Tom Bartolameo, Camaron Powles, Brian Eckhardt, Steve Schmitt, Robbie Cregg, Joe Slater, George Schneider, Scott Thompson, David Comer, Ken Gould, Al Bartolameo, Coach Mark Houston.

Coach Mark Houston



Front Row: Joe Farmer, Mark Weiler, Camaron Powles, John Hislop, Tom Tuggle, Jeff Martin, Ben Sutherland, Rob Cregg, Brian Barnard, Don Clark, Brian Eckhardt, Manager Jeff Baker. Back: Jon Gray, Brian Eling, Dave McKenzie, Mike Friend, Todd Schotts, Al Bartolameo, Steve Schmitt, Joe Slater, Matti Tapaninen, Ron Hornof, Coach Mark Houston.

Wrestling is an intense sport where not only do the wrestlers have to be in top physical shape and have total concentration. For those who wrestle, training starts months before actually, for some the season never stops; they stay in shape. The team had high hopes for their season. They said, "if their head is in it they can do it!" The team doesn't just think of Mr. Houston as a coach, but many of them think of him as a friend or just as a person they admire. The team says that he definitely knows his stuff!





JV Baseball. Front Row: Eric Smith, John Davis, Tom Anderson, Dennis Mors, Wayne Harris, Chip Wright, Curt Hansen. Back Row: Coach Mark Houston, Dan Sundberg, Bryan Gardenour, Rob Gidding, Otto Wishman, Aaron Brown, Manager Mike Cope.



1989 Varsity Football. Front Row: Manager Jeff Jurecki, Dan Sundberg, Kirk Younts, Marty Stitt, Brian Bloom, Kyle Noble, Tony Bart, Albert Short, Wes May, Manager Joel Stein. Row Two: Assistant Coach Ken Haggart, Bryan Gardenour, LeRoy Miller, Carl Murat, Wayne Harris, Bryan Cregg, Patrick Council, Bill Seaben, Joe Jurecki, Manager Mike Cope, Head Coach Mark Houston.



Wrestling. Front Row: Jason Barnhard, Leroy Miller, Dean Marvin, Rodney Gleason, Chad Tice, Chris Kempf. Second Row: Manager Jeff Younts, Jim Tice, Tony Rios, Scott Boyle, David Miller, Heath Flanery, Todd Wyant, Manager Aaron Arvia. Third Row: Assistant Coach Ken Haggart, Kirk Younts, Bryan Gardenour, Mike Wilson, Leif Rothoff, Tim Coon, Bill Eakon, Joe Jurecki, Chad Grove, Coach Mark Houston.



Coach Mark Houston

Varsity Football

Holton	Opponent	
0	North Muskegon	14
44	Tri-County	8
25	Kent City	0
33	Newaygo	8
30	Morley-Stanwood	6
27	White Cloud	8
24	Hesperia	0
8	Grant	6
32	Montague	18

Won 8 Lost 1
First in Conference



Back L to R: Asst. coaches Jack Beeman and Joe Jurecki, John Torsh, Ben Brooks, Todd McLean, Glenn Gager, Coach Mark Houston, Middle: Nick Mock, Mike Hoffman, Jesse Gonzalez, Dan Flores, Dan Bean, Garth Allen, Front: Fred Jurecki, Glen McCumber, James English, Adam Bayne, Bill Slater, Manager: Bud English


an intense sport

Coach Mark Houston



Varsity Football. Front Row: Manager Adam Farrier, Manager Justin Wolfis, Wayne Cunningham, James Stein, Carlos Castello, Tom Anderson, Wayne Harris, Patrick Council, Chris Kempf, Manager John Anderson. **Row Two:** Bismark Romo, Bryan Cregg, Bryan Gardenour, Carl Murat, Scott Boyle, Jason Barnhard, David Miller, Dennis Mors, Jack Beeman. **Row Three:** Assistant Coach Ken Haggart, Tony Bartolameo, Chad Grove, Joe Jurecki, Curt Hansen, Kyle Noble, Dan sundberg, Dave Parsons, Dennis Plekes, Brian Bloom, Head Coach Mark Houston.

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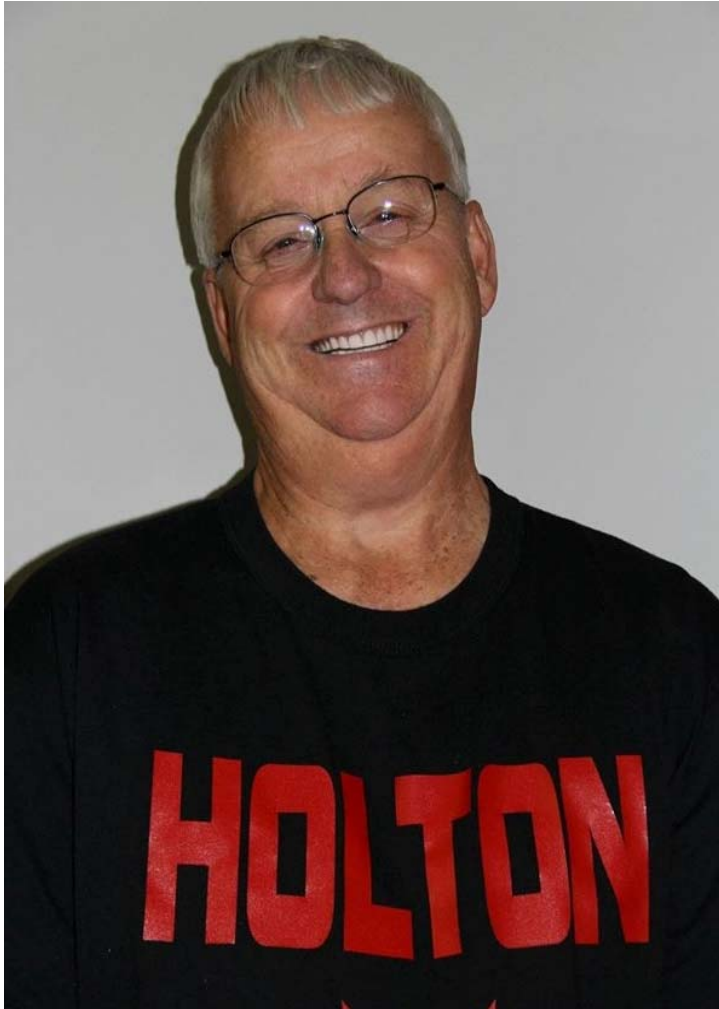


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Distinguished Service Award Inductee

Mr. Earl MacLaren

Earl MacLaren

Distinguished Service Award



A man of kind words with a contagious smile and a positive attitude toward life and the students and athletes of Holton Public Schools, Mr. Earl MacLaren has been a lifelong follower, supporter, and fan of Holton Athletics. The pride and support for the Holton community, and for Holton student – athletes radiates from him. Always quick to lend a helping hand, and described by many as a kind hearted man that would do anything for anyone, Mr. MacLaren retired from Holton Public Schools after a career that spanned decades as a custodian and avid supporter of the children, students, and athletes of Holton Public Schools.

Mr. MacLaren was always there behind the scenes helping set up for games, support coaches and teams with whatever they may need, and then to be there at the end of the contest to help put everything away. Mr. MacLaren still attends a vast majority of the athletic games and contests hosted by Holton Public Schools, and you will often still see him in the stands cheering on his beloved Red Devils to victory. To this day, former students describe Mr. MacLaren as someone who touched many lives, with one former student describing his smile as the highlight of their school day. Mr. MacLaren is a man of strong faith, he has a kind and gentle heart, and he will always be known and remembered as one of the most humble and loyal, yet supportive fans of the student athletes and teams of Holton Public Schools. He is the type of fan that embodies everything that good sportsmanship and educational athletics are all about. Never a negative word to say, Mr. MacLaren is quick to find value, worth, and support for our teams and our student athletes, regardless of the outcome of the game.

Earl MacLaren Distinguished Service Award

