

MITCA 2017 Cross Country Clinic Awards
MITCA is pleased to announce the following award winners.
Please join us at the MITCA Coach of the Year and Hall of Fame
Awards Banquet on Friday, November 10, 2017 at the
Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant, MI
Registration form at www.mitca.org



Steven Porter

Milan High School

Named 2017 Hall of Fame

Steve Porter from Milan High School heads our Hall of Fame Inductees as the 2017 Kermit Ambrose Award recipient. The Ambrose Award is named after one of the MITCA Founding Fathers and is the highest honor given at the Cross Country Clinic. Coach Porter has served the MITCA organization for over 40 years. He is the current Public Relations Officer (20 years), has chaired both the track and cross country committees, and is the official photographer. He is the current President of the MHSCA (the Michigan all sports organization). Coach Porter's teams have won one State Championship, one State Runner-up, 24 top ten finishes in the State Finals, 15 Regional Championships, and 29 League Championships .

2017 Hall of Fame - Cross Country Coach

David Miller Jackson Lumen Christi

Coach David Miller has an outstanding 20+ year coaching record at **Jackson Lumen Christi HS**. His boys cross country team has a 146-56 record, including one State Championship, 12 top ten finishes in the State Finals, 9 Regional Championships and 7 League Championships. 12 of Coach Miller's runners have earned All State honors. He was the MITCA Coach of the Year in 2012 and has been a COY nominee six times. He has also served on the Team Michigan coaching staff to the Midwest Meet of Champions.



Be sure to attend the MITCA Hall of Fame and Coach of the Year Banquet on Friday, November 10, 2017 and help us honor all the outstanding coaches listed in this announcement .

Michigan High School Coaches Association 2017 Coach of the Year:

Congratulations to :

Men's Track and Field: **Ralph Neal / Zeeland East High School**

Women's Track and Field: **Rex Wilkes / Lansing Waverly High School**

Men's Cross Country: **Scott Werner / Pewamo-Westphalia High School**

Women's Cross Country: **Steven Long / Otsego High School**

These coaches will be honored on Sunday, November 12, 2017 at the MHSCA Coach of the Year Banquet at the Lansing Ramada and are eligible for regional and national honors.

Other Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association

Awards will be announced at the clinic.

We will recognize the following awards and honors at the luncheon on Friday.

Regional Coach of the Year (new for 2017).

Academic All State Team and Individual honors.

2018 Scholarship Winners (3 @ \$500).

Special Assistant Coach of the Year awards.

MITCA Business Meeting and Comments from Cody Ingles from the MHSAA.

We will recognize the following awards and honors at the banquet Friday night.

Mr. and Ms. Michigan Cross Country.

2017 Coach of the Year.

Overcoming Obstacles Award.

Hall of Fame and Ambrose Award.

Forms for future Special Awards and Scholarships are available at www.mitca.org

2017 Kermit Ambrose 101 Club Members

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Gold Ambrose 101 Club Member \$500 Donation

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STEVEN PORTER

Ambrose 101 Club Member \$101 Donation

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Special thanks to the above donors. Your generosity has helped fund Team Michigan at both the Mid-East and Mid-West Meet of Champions. Enjoy your Kermit Ambrose Sundae at the MITCA Banquet. See Steve Porter in the vender area if you're interested in becoming a donor.

See www.mitca.org for up to date

Cross Country Clinic information and schedules

Dear MITCA Member,

As a MITCA member, I'm not sure you are aware of the legacy that Kermit Ambrose left on our organization and the running community. Kermit was the founding father of MITCA, President, Secretary, News Letter Editor and President Emeritus. Kermit passed away five year ago after a glorious 101 years. MITCA would not be the fine organization it is today if not for the service of Kermit Ambrose. The MITCA Executive Board would like to help honor and continue Kermit's memory by establishing the Kermit Ambrose 101 Club and Kermit Ambrose Foundation. Kermit lived a 101 years, so we are seeking contributions of \$101.00 to match his dedication to the MITCA origination. Your contributions will be used to help fund Team Michigan competing at the Midwest Meet of Champions (track & field), the Mideast Meet of Champions (cross country), and the Kermit Ambrose Scholarship. Both championship meets and teams are underfunded and the Executive Board has made this a priority for the future. Kermit was instrumental in establishing these meets as a MITCA responsibility and it is only fitting that the support of this organization comes in his name. Your contributions are tax deductible and our identification numbers are listed below. Last year the Ambrose 101 Club raised \$6,074.00.



If you return the form below with a \$101.00 donation (by January 19, 2018) and are attending the Track and Field Clinic in Lansing you will receive a Ambrose Chocolate Sundae at the Coach of the Year Banquet. This treat will only be available for members of the Kermit Ambrose 101 Club. When checking in at the clinic please stop at the Ambrose 101 Club ribbon for your clinic lanyard.

Thank for your support,

Steven R. Porter

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