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Dave Young, “Voice of the Alices”, to be honored Thursday

The longtime “Voice of the Alices” on WZDM-FM Radio, Dave Young, is this year’s recipient of the IHSAA’s Distinguished Media Service Award for District 3.

Young’s contributions to education-based athletics will be recognized this Thursday (Feb. 1) at Vincennes Lincoln High School when the Alices host Big Eight Conference rival Washington in boys basketball action. Commissioner Bobby Cox and Sports Information Director Jason Wille will make the presentation.

Young is in his 30th year of broadcasting with 92.1 FM, WZDM in Vincennes, an affiliate of The Original Company network of stations throughout southwestern Indiana and Illinois. As Programming and Sports Director, he hosts the Morning Show each weekday on the station’s airwaves and streamed at WZDM.com. He also provides radio play-by-play for Vincennes Lincoln’s sports teams in football, baseball, basketball, softball, soccer and volleyball. It’s estimated that he has voiced over 3,000 sports broadcasts during that time and another 3,000+ local radio sports reports each year focusing on middle school, high school and Vincennes University student-athletes. He includes the 2002 IHSAA state championship won by the Alices’ baseball team among his most special behind the microphone.

Young, 64, was born in Indianapolis, is a 1971 graduate of Broad Ripple High School and went on to earn degrees from Vincennes University and Indiana State University. From 1976-1983, he was Sports Director at Vincennes University’s WVUB-FM radio where he called play-by-play of Vincennes University men’s and women’s basketball and baseball games. He also handled television play-by-play of Vincennes University basketball and volleyball on WVUT-TV.

In 1983, Young joined WCBK radio in Martinsville to serve as Sports Director where he did play-by-play for Martinsville High School football, basketball and baseball games. In 1988, he returned to Vincennes to work at WZDM.

Over the years, he has won an A.P. state award for best Radio Sportscast and an A.P. state award for best Radio Play by Play and twice has been recognized by the Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association with its District P Media Award.

Young and his wife of 43 years, Patti, have two adult daughters Kim (Ryan) Condict and Kelli (Chad) Carie and four grandchildren.

This is the 33rd year the IHSAA has recognized outstanding members of the Indiana news media from each of its three legislative districts for excellence in the coverage of high school sports. District 3 covers 42 counties across southern Indiana. Award recipients are selected by members of the IHSAA Executive Committee from nominations received from member school administrators. Dave is the second recipient to be honored this school year joining Eric and Stacy Cox of the Knightstown Banner. Previous Award Winners
About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)
The IHSAA is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that is self-supporting without the use of tax monies. Since its founding in 1903, the Association’s mission has been to provide wholesome, educational athletics for the secondary schools of Indiana. Its 410 member high schools - public, institutional, parochial and private - pay no annual membership fee or incur entry fees to play in the Association’s tournaments. A state tournament series is conducted annually in 21 sports, 10 for girls, 10 for boys and one co-ed (unified track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.