

* Supporting Your Local Sports Booster Club is a "Sound Quality" Investment! * by Frank Williams

On Monday (Dec. 7) I felt was called to a special meeting with Dansville All Sports Booster Club members Clare VanDurme & Jim McMahon who also were representing a number of the sports booster clubs at Wayland-Cohocton as well. At first when I walked into this gathering I couldn't help having the sinking feeling like I had been "called into the principal's office". The butterflies quickly left my stomach when my "eyes were opened" (rather widely) with the presentation of some new broadcast equipment that all of the booster clubs had a hand in providing for future game broadcasts! I was flabbergasted! (even "speechless"....if you can believe that!?). I couldn't believe it! I still can't believe it! Somebody pinch me...this didn't just happen?!?! Did it?!

WDNY station manager Dorothy Hotchkiss did a lot of the "leg work" for the project as well investigating which components were "right" for what the Booster Club was wishing to provide. I can't say how thankful I am to have been given permission to use this brand new, state-of-the-art, equipment which allows me to drop having to carry half of the radio station's possessions with me to each broadcast (in a milk crate no less). I had the opportunity to use the new equipment for the first time on Saturday (Dec. 12) night during the final night of the Dansville Rotary Basketball Classic when the Mustangs tangled with Leroy at "the Corral." Jim McMahon also took the initiative to run an extra phone jack to the press table along with an additional electrical outlet strip. All the comforts of "home" & then some!

One of the great things though was a number of comments I received after the game from folks who had tuned in on both the radio & the internet stating that " it sounded so much better". That obviously was the final objective of all of

this...was to get a "quality sound" to those who would be tuning into future sporting events.

Again I want to say a great big "THANK YOU" on behalf of myself & all the listeners who will benefit from this investment long after I've hung up my headsets. Thanks to the Dansville All Sports Booster Club along with the boys & girls basketball, girls & boys soccer, baseball, softball, & football boosters from Wayland-Cohocton who all had a huge hand in this project.

A great debt of thanks goes to all of you who support your local athletes through our wonderful Sports Booster Clubs in our area. All of you are to be commended on such a very thoughtful, & generous donation!

May God bless you always! And to you & yours...please have a very happy, holy & blessed Christmas Season!

God bless,

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