

ALUMNI PROFILE



Brian Stackpoole

Favorite Radio Format: I have to stick with 90's alternative but I love listening to new bands as well.

Favorite Artist: I will never forget the first time I listened to Pearl Jam.

Favorite Song: A Hard Day's Night—I found the 45 when I was really young and it was my first introduction to the Beatles.

Favorite Movie: Strangers on a Train—I love Hitchcock

Favorite TV Show: The Sopranos- It still has an impact on TV shows today.

Favorite Book: That is hard because my mother was an English teacher so I always had to be reading but Unbroken: A WWII Story of Survival is one of my favorites.

Hobbies: Golfing and hanging out with the fam

Where has life taken you since you left WSDP?

I went to Central Michigan University and found myself working at their radio station and doing a lot of sports broadcasting. Eventually, I decided to switch my major and go into education and combine my broadcasting passion. I have been teaching video production for the last 22 years at Grosse Pointe North High School. I am also the Career and Technical Education Coordinator for the district as well.

What is your favorite memory of your time at the station?

I still appreciate the freedom and responsibilities that we were given. The Canton vs Salem football game my senior year with an epic comeback by Salem was thrilling. Being able to call that game was a complete blast. It definitely prepared me for my future and gave me a leg up in college. But, what I remember most was sitting around the studio with so many staff members and just talking about life.

Why was being involved at WSDP important for you?

It made me feel like I was taking a step toward adulthood with how much we were responsible to accomplish. I loved how our opinions mattered and we were able to decide so much about the station. If you had a passion about a certain subject you could create an entire show based on your idea. I mainly worked in the sports department and having to communicate with so many adults,

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travel to other high schools, and represent the community was very powerful. I came to the station late in my high school career but the other staff members were very accepting and encouraging.

What advice would you give to our current students?

Create! Don't just think about it; do it. This is your chance to try something new, go out on a limb, find out that you like something or that you absolutely hate something. Listen to others who have different ideas than you, especially the ones that make you think.

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Your purchases at Holiday Market and Kroger can help 88.1 The Park raise much needed money for the station's operation.

Last year 88.1 received over \$750 in donations from store reward programs. Thanks to each of them for their generosity.

If you already shop at Kroger, go to kroger-communityrewards.com to sign up and begin earning money for 88.1FM. Our organization is listed as WSDP RADIO - PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL and our organization number is 84323.

You can also support WSDP through your purchases at Holiday Market. Get a Holiday Market Shoppers Card. Once you have a card go to www.escrip.com or call 1-800.931.6258. Register your card and select WSDP. Our group number is 500043900 and is listed as Canton Community Foundation since they serve as our financial fiduciary. Once you've completed the registration a portion of your total purchases will go to WSDP.

WSDP is also a participant in the Dick Scott Dodge Donation Voucher Program. We can receive \$100 every time a member of our community purchases or leases a car at Dick Scott Automotive Group in Plymouth. Download our voucher at www.dickscott.com/community (Look under Plymouth-Canton Community Schools / WSDP Radio).



WSDP Alumni Zoom Happy Hours Help Alums Reconnect

With so many of people working from home, we thought it might be a good time to help reconnect you with some of your WSDP classmates. As a result, the Alumni Advisory Board is proposed a few online gatherings dubbed, "WSDP Zoom Happy Hours."

These events were held for alum with specific decades, to help you reconnect, network, and stay in touch with happenings at 88. The Park.

The gatherings were hosted by decade of graduation. If you graduated near the transition of one decade to another you are welcome to attend both, or either session. We enjoyed the opportunity to get our alums back together, albeit in a virtual way. The response has been great and we look forward to additional Zoom Happy Hours in the future.