

# Bill Horton



Fenton, MI  
Director Category  
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Bill Horton began his career with NSA in August of 1990 as an Interim State Director for the state of Michigan. In 1992 Bill was named the Michigan State Director and from those humble beginnings with NSA became a Zone Vice President. In 1992 Bill was honored at the NSA National Convention with the Newcomer of the Year Award. Then in 1995 he was awarded with NSA's 2<sup>nd</sup> highest honor with the 110% award. In 1996, Bill was named to the Girls Fast Pitch World Series Committee in Columbus Ohio which at that time was a record size tournament. Later on in 1996 Bill was awarded the Presidential Award of Excellence - NSA's highest honor. In 1997 Bill was appointed to the prestigious Advisory Board as well as the Hall of Fame committee. In 1998 Bill was appointed the Regional Vice President in charge of Region 5. Again in 1998 Bill was awarded the 110% award making him a rare multiple winner of this award. In 1999 Bill Horton was named the Regional Director of the year. Again in 2003 Bill was awarded the Presidential Award of Excellence.

As a State Director, Bill began an NSA newspaper to better promote his program. He began the highly successful Michigan Grand Slam program. At the time of this writing, Bill has sent more teams to Regionals and to World Series tournaments than most states. When Bill became the Regional Director over Region 5, he expanded the newspaper to include all of Region 5. When Bill became the Zone VP over the Northern Zone, the paper was expanded to cover all 13 states. Bill started and maintains at the time of this writing NSAnorth.com and that web site has become one of the most popular softball web sites in the country.

From humble beginnings as an Interim State Director, to a Regional Director, to a Zone Vice President and one of the most respected people in the NSA family all the way to the Hall of Fame. On November 7, 2002, Joseph William (Bill) Horton, Jr. became the 8<sup>th</sup> Director to be inducted into the NSA Hall of Fame.