## **Groves topples Andover**

By DAVID SAUNDERS

It was a nip-and-tuck battle all the way. but the Groves Fatcons edged the Andover Barron. S-Gl.

The lead changed hands 16 times throughout the grueling, physical game underneath the boards before Groves took the lead for good with 4:50 left in the game. Grove's 5-6 Dave Wottawa hit a 10-foot jump shot to give the Fatcons a 5-57 lead. Lance Baylis. All Ucar and Dan Bertelson added the final points for Groves.

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"Baylis had a nice night," said Groves coach Jay Schwalm, "Lead was an and Wottawa played well. But the key to tonight is game was our benefit of the second of the second part of the second p

kids played tonignt, unes punyou good game."
Groves upped their overall record to 8-4, in the non-league game played Tuesday. The Falcons take on North Farmington Thursday in another non-league game while Andover goes to Waterford Kettering as they face the undefeated Greater Oakland Athletic Jeonus beaders.

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AN INTENSE BATTLE between Groves' Craig Maass and Andover's John Perles ended in the fourth quar-ter when Perles fouled out and Maass followed suit 20 seconds later with 6:29 remaining Perles held Maass to 12 points and Perles scored to points. "Perles and Maass were going at it metally good "said Schwalm" They

should've set the tempo, but Andover has a good ball club."
Both teams shot a good percentage for high school ball. Groves hit on 27 out of 57 from the field for 45 percent, while Andover hit 27 out of 51 shots for 44 per cent. Many of Andover's points came on hard base-line drives and some fast breaks and Groves ran the ball in undermeath the basket with greaf success also.
Tim Moore opened up the scoring for Andover with 15 seconds knocked off the clock to lead 2-0. The forsy-turvy first quarter saw the lead change hands as the Barons ted, 1815. at the end of the quarter.

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LARRY FELDMAN AND Moore supplied the first quarter scoring punch for Andover as they chipped in for a combined 12 of their 18 first to the combined 12 of their 18 of t

teams were off at the line but hot on the court.

The game was tied up twice in the third quarter, but Andover took over with a one-point lead in the end to lead, 51-90. The Barons outscored the Falcons 19-14 but the Falcons came back in the fourth quarter to outscore Andover, 15-10.

All Ucar gave the Falcons a few key steals in the fourth quarter of them came with nine seconds left in the game with Groves winning 64-

61 to hold the victory for Groves.

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 Total Feels: Birmingham Groves 18, Bloomfield Hills Andover 19.
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## Clarenceville drops close one to OL St. Mary

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ORCHARD LAKE ST. MARY outscored Clarenceville by 10 points in the third quarter and hung on for a 62-61 wictory Tuesday at Livonia. The content of the cont

all his 11 points were in the first quarter.
Despite being minus one starter, the Eaglets score the first six points and the last eight points of the third quarter to gain a 55-4 advantage.
The Trojans kept inching toward the Eaglets and with 31 seconds left had an opportunity to tie the game. The content of the food of a mesand-one situation. Orchard Lake is 8-2 on the season after that non-league encounter, while Clarenceville falls to a 5-7 mark.
The 'Eaglets connected on 43 per cent. or their field goal attempts, making 27 of 62, while Clarenceville players made only 21 of 36 for 39 per cent. Orchard Lake travels to Wyandotte for a Catholie League contest against Mt. Carmel, Friday.

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## Grant, Lasser win gold medals

Jim Grant of Birming-ham and Scott Lasser of Bloomfield Hills won gold medals for first-place finishes in Junior Alpine Ski races at Wall-con Hills, Jan. 8 and 9.

Both boys are in the Expert group, Central Division, of the United States Ski Association. Jim won two golds for the giant clalom Jan. 8 and the slalom on Jan. 8 Jan. 8 slalom.

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Susan Akins of Birmingham is a member of the Advanced group, Central Division, United States Ski Association. She participated in races at Walloon Hills Jan. 15 and 16, and won a gold medal for first place in the slatom Jan. 16

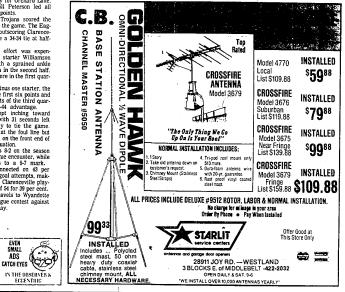
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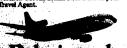
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