

# High school sports league gains 2 new members: Andover, Troy

By MARTY BUDNER

Bloomfield Hills Andover and Troy schools will have new athletic affiliations beginning with the 1980-81 school year.

Andover and Troy were recently accepted by a unanimous (6-0) vote of the Southeastern Michigan Association's (SMA) board of governors. With the addition of those schools, the league will expand from six to eight teams.

"The association has considered expansion for the past few years, and we felt now was the right time for it," said SMA president and Ferndale High School principal John Dzysack. "We looked at a number of schools and felt that Andover and Troy were both compatible to our needs."

"We're not only involved in athletics, but activities like forensics and debate as well, and we believe those two schools will fit in with our philosophy," he said. "Also, we were looking at transportation. The proximity of those schools to the schools already in our

league was a big consideration."

The SMA now consists of Berkley, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Royal Oak Kimball, Southfield and Birmingham Seaholm.

Interestingly enough, three of those members have "sister" schools in the Metro-Suburban Activities Association (MSAA). Those MSAA schools include Royal Oak Dossiero, Southfield-Lathrup and Birmingham Groves.

Both Troy and Andover will be included in that bracket when they enter the SMA. Troy's twin in the MSAA is Athens, and the Bloomfield Hills school is Lahser.

The "twin sisters" concept eventually was a significant factor in the ultimate acceptance of Troy and Andover into the SMA. It allows for the five involved athletic directors to be more closely associated with the scheduling of league and non-league activities.

"I represent both schools (Lahser and Andover), so if you have schools in similar leagues it makes for a very attrac-

tive situation," said Andover schools athletic director Norm Quinn.

"We applied for membership into the SMA four or five years ago, and we maintained an interest in that league," he said. "After extensive evaluation we decided this was the best place to go."

Andover is now a member of the Greater Oakland Activities League (GOAL).

TROY is a class B school that presently competes in the 12-team Oakland Athletic League (OAL).

However, since eight OAL schools left two months ago to form their own league, Troy was one of four schools left without a league affiliation. The others were class B Auburn Heights

Avondale and Oxford, plus class A Lake Orion.

Since Troy's enrollment is expected to increase to class A size (1,430) within the next two years, athletic director Joe Francis was actively soliciting the SMA.

"We feel our membership is an asset, and we feel that we'll be able to successfully compete in the SMA," said Francis. "We're pleased to be part of the league because it has a fine athletic tradition."

Troy's longest trip in the SMA will be 15 miles to Southfield. Francis said Troy will become extensively involved in the activities portion of the SMA.

Both Troy and Andover will compete within their current leagues until the end of the 1979-80 school year.

## Foley Relay summary

FOLEY — R OF C RELAYS

TEAM FINISH — 1. Rochester High, 74.4 points; 2. Farmington Hills, 71.3; 3. Royal Oak Andover, 70.4; 4. Royal Oak Kimball, 66.5; 5. Harper Woods Regis, 64.6; 6. Detroit Dominican, 18.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

80-YARD RELAY — 1. Mercy (Julie Basterfi, Cathy Bridges, Kathleen Whalen, Sherry West, 1:47.8) (meet record); 2. Dossiero, 1:50.2; 3. Mary Academy, 1:58.9; 4. Rochester, 1:54.1; 5. Southgate Aquinas, 1:52.5; 6. Bishop Foley, 1:54.5.

100-YARD RELAY — 1. Rochester (Almae Landry, Lisa Frances, Karen Curtis, Jill Washburn, 1:02.3) (meet record); 2. Dossiero, 1:07.2; 3. Kimball, 1:22.3; 4. Gage, 1:03.7; 5. Bishop Rogers, 1:19.3; 6. East Detroit, 1:11.7.

200-YARD RELAY — 1. Rochester (Almae Landry, Lisa Frances, Karen Curtis, Jill Washburn, 2:18.0) (meet record); 2. Dossiero, 2:23.8; 3. Kimball, 2:34.6; 4. Royal Oak Shrine, 2:40.5.

SPRINT RELAY — 1. Dossiero (Paul Belvedere, Kelly Gaudin, Sue Basilio, Virginia Belvedere, 2:57.4) (meet record); 2. Rochester, 3:04.3; 3. St. Mary Acad, 3:06.0; 4. Mercy, 3:01.3; 5. Warren Tower, 3:12.6; 6. Regina, 3:16.2.

400-YARD RELAY — 1. Rochester (Almae Landry, Lisa Frances, Jill Washburn, Karen Curtis, 1:23.3) (meet record); 2. Dossiero, 1:23.5; 3. Kimball, 1:23.8; 4. Andover Bay, 1:25.1.

800-YARD RELAY — 1. Mercy (Sherry West, Kathleen Whalen, Cathy Bridges, Julie Basterfi, 3:52.4) (tie) Regis, 3:54.2.

1,600-YARD RELAY — 1. Rochester (Sherry West, Kathleen Whalen, Cathy Bridges, Julie Basterfi, 7:54.2) (tie) Regis, 7:54.2; 2. Dossiero, 8:04.2; 3. East Detroit, 8:24.2; 4. Kimball, 8:24.2; 5. Dossiero, 8:24.2; 6. Rochester, 8:24.2.

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