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## All-Area hockey players



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### 3 Cranes whoop for ice elite

# Cranbrook dominates hockey All-Stars

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As you would expect after it won the state Class B championship, Cranbrook dominated the 1983 Observer & Eccentric All-Area Hockey team.

The Cranes, who whipped helpless Flint Powers High School for the state title to finish with a 24-2 record, placed three players on the first team. They include senior forward Chuck Chiatto, senior defenseman Todd Manning and senior goalie Paul Pijanowski.

Forwards Dave Giacomini of Brother Rice and Drexel Kleber of Bloomfield Hills Andover and defenseman Jeff Kowalsky of Elmhurst Hills Lahser round out the team.

The team was recently picked by a panel of area coaches. Area schools with hockey programs include Bloomfield Hills Lahser and Andover, Southfield and Southfield-Lathrup, Birmingham Brother Rice, Detroit Country Day and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

Chiatto was brilliant for the Cranes all season. Cranbrook coach Ted Kelley called Chiatto a "franchise" player.

"To use the professional lingo . . . he's the franchise," said Kelley, who last guided his team to a state title in 1979.

CHIATTO WAS named the most

valuable player of the Michigan Metro Hockey League's West Division. The speedy center was also named to the league's all-star team.

Chiatto, who scored 63 regular-season points (31 goals, 32 assists), was the team's leader throughout the playoffs. In five post-season games, he scored nine goals, including three-goal hat tricks in both the semi-finals and finals.

In the classic first-round regional battle against Detroit Country Day, Chiatto scored the game's only goal midway through the second overtime. He also scored Cranbrook's first goal in a quarter-final game against Southgate Aquinas. The Cranes had trailed 1-0 entering the final period of that game, but Chiatto rallied the squad to a four-goal outburst and an eventual 4-1 victory.

"(Chiatto) makes things happen out on the ice, and the other people benefit from the pressure he puts on opposing goalies," said Kelley. "Other teams find it hard to contain him. He makes cuts you wouldn't believe. He has such great upper-body strength."

MANNING, ALSO a member of the Metro league's all-star team, was Cranbrook's most reliable defenseman during the playoffs. He played on some of the power plays and was a member of the penalty-killing units.

"Todd is just a real intelligent hockey player," said Kelley. "He quarterbacked the team. He's had three years of varsity experience, and he does things in less than a glamorous style. He's not very flashy, but he always gets the job done."

Pijanowski, aided by the veteran Cranbrook defense, allowed only six shutouts over Flint Powers and Country Day.

Pijanowski allowed only 21 goals over 15 1/2 periods of action in the Metro League for a fine 1.37 goals-against average.

"Paul forces the opposition to think about where they're shooting," said Kelley. "He stays cool under pressure."

KLEBER WAS named to the Suburban Prep Hockey's League's first team. He was used most of the season at forward, but Andover coach Neil Celley periodically played him defensively as well.

A 6-foot, 4-inch senior, Kleber led the Barons in both goals and assists this season. He scored the winning goal in Andover's first playoff victory — a 4-3 first-round regional victory over St.

Clair Shores South Lake.

"Drexel was a catalyst for us this season," said Celley. "Our shooting improved so much with him in there because he set the standard for everyone else. He was our team leader at all times."

GIACOMINI LED the Brother Rice league scoring statistics with 16 goals and 12 assists for 28 points. For the season, he registered 26 goals and 21 assists for 47 points.

"I think David was our most valuable player and leader throughout the season," said his coach and father, Ed Giacomini. "He led more through his actions than his words . . . he excelled out on the ice."

Giacomini said his two best games this season were against state class A champion Fraser where he scored two goals in a 3-3 tie and his hat trick in a victory over Alpena.

Kowalsky was Lahser's captain, leading scorer and most valuable player. He was also an all Suburban Prep Hockey League all-star.

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#### BOYS' FIRST TEAM

PLAYER	SCHOOL	POS.
Chuck Chiatto	Cranbrook	For.
Dave Giacomini	Brother Rice	For.
Drexel Kleber	Andover	For.
Todd Manning	Cranbrook	Def.
Jeff Kowalsky	Lahser	Def.
Paul Pijanowski	Cranbrook	Goal

#### SECOND TEAM

Jon Doehr	Cranbrook	For.
Chris Illich	Cranbrook	For.
Steve Waldman	Andover	For.
Ken McAlpine	Brother Rice	Def.
Bill Blank	Andover	Def.
Jeff Schneider	Andover	Goal

#### HONORABLE MENTIONS

Forward: Eric Kahkonen, Jim VanAntwerp, Craig Taucher (Detroit Country Day); Jim Mueller (Bloomfield Hills Lahser); Ken Chaput (Southfield); John Pinard (Bloomfield Hills Lahser). Defense: Lee Moxilis (Brother Rice); Bruce McCall (Cranbrook). Goalie: Dan Shanahan (Brother Rice); Jeff Rantala (Detroit Country Day).

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