



Susan Innes
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Stevenson High School, Livonia

A career in actuarial science or business administration beckons Innes after she attends the University of Michigan.

She credits her parents, Robert and Catherine Innes, for the drive to pursue her goals.

"My parents have influenced me (most) through their constant support," she said.

Innes' honors include National Merit Finalist, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Who's Who in Music, Stevenson's representative for the National Honor Society Scholarship and a fourth year as a summa cum laude student.

Her extracurricular activities include eight years of playing the flute, participation in the marching band, orchestra for school musicals, symphony band, symphony choir, class council, Ski Club, Math Club, National Honor Society and synchronized swimming.



Leo Frank Kowalyk III
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Catholic Central High School,
Redford Township

Although he's undecided about his future profession, Kowalyk would like to study liberal arts in college to "broaden his education," he said.

He's narrowed his choice of colleges to Cornell, Columbia, the University of Chicago and University of Michigan, places where he could also continue to play football.

Besides being co-captain of the varsity football team, Kowalyk's extra-

curricular activities included National Honor Society, track, tutoring and manning the concession stand at school.

He's also held down a part-time job while finishing high school.

Kowalyk's honors include the Gabriel Richard Club, National Merit Finalist, national winner of the National French Contest and departmental awards in French, English, math and theology.

His math teacher has been most influential in his life: "He kept things in perspective and has unknowingly helped me in my decision to study liberal arts and maybe become an educator," Kowalyk said.

He is the son of Laura and Leo Kowalyk of Livonia.



John A. Richards
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Catholic Central High School,
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If the schools he's chosen are any indication, Richards will go far in his college career. He's targeted Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Michigan or California Polytechnic State University (Cal Tech) as the places he would like to pursue a degree in electrical engineering.

A mental gymnast, Richards was on his school's Quiz Bowl Varsity Team and placed in the top 100 of the Michigan Math Prize competition. He's a member of the National Honor Society and in the Gabriel Richard Club for A-honor roll students.

Richards credits his parents, John and Marilyn Richards, for his success in school.

"Both my parents supported and encouraged my academic career," he said.

ROBERT CONDE
John Glenn High School,
Westland

Engineering figures in the plans of Conde after he completes his studies at Westland John Glenn.

The Westland resident plans to attend the University of Michigan-Dearborn to pursue studies in electrical or mechanical engineering.

Conde's high school activities include cross country, diving, track, Spanish Club, where he is treasurer, and Honor Society.

His academic honors include being named Foreign Language Student of the Month and a member of the school

Honor roll.

Conde credits his calculus teacher with being his biggest influence by helping introduce him to engineering.

He is the son of Rafael and Catherine Conde of Westland.



Robert Conde

JULIAN SELL
Plymouth-Salem High School

From sports to music to scholastics, Sell has been a standout during his years at Plymouth-Salem High School.

Captain of the school wrestling team and recipient of first team all area honors, he is also first chair clarinet with the school symphony band.

A National Merit Scholarship finalist, he is an executive member of the

school's National Honor society, a participant in the Science Olympiad and quiz bowl and was a junior varsity soccer player.

He was also involved in holiday enrolling for the elderly and tutoring programs.

Sell says his parents have had the biggest influence on his academic career "by making me aware of the value of a good education."

Sell's future plans include studying engineering at Michigan Technological University, where he received a full scholarship, or at U.M. Princeton or MIT. He hopes to complete a doctorate at either of the three latter universities and eventually work for an aerodynamics firm.

He is the son of Donna-Christine Sell.



Julian Sell



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Observer All Stars

These students — 13 of 16 members of the Observer's 1990 Academic All-Star Team — are looking in the right direction based on their high school performances. Pictured in front of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Livonia office are (front row from left) Lynn Biberdorf, Susan Innes, Leo Kowalyk, (second row from left) John Richards, Kevin Rutkowski, Michele O'Tolle, Nicholas Purzer, (last row from left) Joshua Rintamaki, Todd Rope, Carrie Isabell, Roger Buclow III and Joseph Crawford and Mark Farris (top of stairs).