

Observer Hails All-Area High School Basketball Stars

Presenting the 1965-66 Observer Newspapers All-high school basketball team.

It truly falls under the category of a "Dream Team."

Picked by the coaches of the area's 14 teams, the quintet boasts everything a coach looks for on a prep squad:

There's size and speed, great shooters and rebounders, playmakers and rebounders.

"Give me five boys like these and I'd win the league and state titles," one coach remarked.

Four of the choices are

ALL GOLF EQUIPMENT
30% OFF

We take trades.

SPALDING • WILSON

CARTS and BAGS

CLUB 'n CUE

27537 WARREN

425-7840

seniors. The lone exception is Leland Bjerke, who set a new record for points at Redford Union, while only a junior.

Selected with Bjerke were Paul Kightlinger of Garden City East, Fred Matevia of Bentley, Mike Wilson of Farmington and Randy Samelson of Thurston.

The four seniors all plan to go on to college. They will make fine linemen for the collegian ranks, according to their coaches — the men who should know them best.

The honored players:

FRED MATEVIA,

BENTLEY

A three-year varsity performer who stands 6-4 and weighs 185. Played both center and forward for Bentley's district Class A champions.

He averaged 16 points per game and nine rebounds.

An excellent shot, Matevia boasted a field-goal percentage of 47 per cent.

From the free throw line, he hit on 62 per cent of his attempts.

Said Coach George Fefles of Bentley:

Observer Sports News

Page 2-B

Wednesday, March 23, 1966

"Fred was one of the best basketball players we've had at Bentley in several years. He was a fine boy with whom to work. He gave everything he had and could do

so much so well for us. He's the kind of a player who is not easy to replace. **RANDY SAMELSON, THURSTON**
Played on the varsity for two years. In 18

games he chalked up 284 points and 171 rebounds. Fired 'em in at a 42 point clip from the floor.

An excellent student, Samelson ranks in the upper ten per cent of his class. He did a good share of the passing for Thurston. Displayed great jumping ability, frequently beating rivals three and four inches taller, for the ball.

Coach Pasternak, in discussing Samelson, declared:

"Mike was an excel-

lent competitor. It was difficult to top the attitude the kid displayed. Mike always came ready to play. He was a student of the game.

"I'd say that he should make the grade on a college team."

PAUL KIGHTLINGER, GARDEN CITY EAST

Half of the brother act which combined to bring East a very successful season. Paul is a senior, while brother Harvey is a sophomore with two years left to outdo the achievements fashioned by Paul.

Paul is the tallest member of the "Dream Team," standing 6-5 1/2. He's also the heaviest, checking the scales at 205 pounds.

He fired in 355 points during the season for a brilliant 20.9 average. In rebounding, he collected 254 for a 14.9 average.

A great marksmen, Paul averaged 49.2 per cent on his field goal tries, making 129 out of 262 attempts.

Declared East coach Billy Joe Young:

"Paul Kightlinger ranks as one of the smartest prep basketball players in the area. He particularly was outstanding on crashing the offensive backboard. He also gave us everything he had all the time."

Paul has been a star pitcher for East the last

two years. Last season he turned in a no-hitter against Robichaud. (Continued on Page 3-B)

RE-ELECT

RUDY

KLEINERT
COUNCILMAN

PAID POLITICAL AD.

BROOKLANE GOLF COURSE

Sheldon and Six Mile

Northville

NOW OPEN

- 9 Holes—Par 3
- 24 Tee Driving Range

RATES

WEEKDAYS

\$1.50 9 holes

\$2.50 18 holes

SAT., SUN., HOLIDAYS

\$1.75 9 holes; \$1.18 holes

Ladies' Day Monday

9 Holes \$1.

All Day \$1.50



League Play Openings Available For Ladies and Men

FI 9-9777



FARMINGTON'S Mike Wilson discusses class-room problems with a fellow student at Farmington High. (Right) Paul Kightlinger, Garden



City East's brilliant scoring star, is just as adept at handling the saxophone as in getting the ball through the hoop.

Paul has been a star pitcher for East the last

Observer Stars

	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Class
Fred Matevia, Bentley	6-4	185	17	SR.
Randy Samelson, Thurston	6-3	175	18	SR.
Paul Kightlinger, Garden City East	6-5 1/2	205	17	SR.
Leland Bjerke, Redford Union	6-1	180	16	JR.
Mike Wilson, Farmington	5-10	175	17	SR.

SECOND TEAM

Tim Doyle (Our Lady of Sorrows)
Joe Huber (Garden City East)
Gary Slade (Garden City West)
Mike Staklas (Plymouth)
Paul Katosh (Franklin)



BENTLEY'S Fred Matevia hailed as area's "best."



RU COACH Milo Karhu (left) congratulates Len Bjerke.



THURSTON'S Randy Samelson also ranks high in studies.

One-minute test to see if car leasing was made for you.

1. Do you get a new car every two years? Yes ☐ No ☐
 2. Do you use your car for business? ☐
 3. Do you drive over 15,000 miles per year? ☐
 4. Are you now—or will you soon be—a two-car family? ☐
 5. Do you dislike shopping for a new car—comparing "deals," trade-ins, all that stuff? ☐
 6. Would you like to eliminate the down payment on a new car? ☐
- If you answered "yes" to four of these questions, you should definitely consider leasing your car. And consider leasing that car from us. As a member of the nationwide Chrysler Leasing System, we offer full-service facilities. We eliminate down payments, bank notes. We offer every lease plan on any make or model car. Come in today. Or call and we'll come to you.

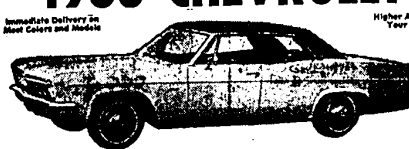
RATIGAN LEASING, INC.

30777 PLYMOUTH RD.

535-7320



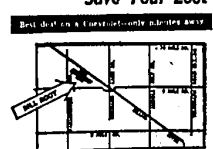
GET A BILL ROOT DEAL ON A BRAND NEW 1966 CHEVROLET



For the "No. 1 Buy" — See Your No. 1 Guy... Bill Root!

BILL ROOT

Save Your Loot — Deal with Root



CHEVROLET

32663 GRAND RIVER

FARMINGTON

GR 4-0500

Teen Dance Slated

The Farmington Hyatt Club has scheduled its first open teen dance for 8 p.m. Saturday, March 26 at the N. of C. Hall at 21900 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington Township. The Baren of Sound will provide the music. School attire will be required for admittance.

If the first dance is successful the group will sponsor weekly teen dance during the

Baseball Rules Clinic

Managers, coaches and umpires are invited to attend an instructional meeting on baseball rules in room 110 at Plymouth High on Wednesday, March 30. The meeting will be in charge of Earl Gray, secretary-treasurer of the Suburban Umpires Association.

CLEARANCE
OVER 200 BEAUTIFUL
'60 to '65 USED CARS
All Makes — Come In Today —
Make Your Pick
From \$195
DAMERON
29301 GRAND RIVER
at Middlebelt
GR 6-7900 KE 1-8200