ALL FOUR have the same idea -- get the ball in this action shot of the Clarenceville-Milford game, won by C'ville, 63-60. That's Bill Powers (35) and John Baker (41), of Milford, fighting with Clarenceville's Dave Brandemihl (42) and Larry Movell (34).

Garden City East Tips Taylor For 10th Victory

Halfway through the Mid-Wayne League basketball race, the form chart has held up.

When the season began, the word was that Garden City East would show the way.

East, under Coach Billy Joe Young, has.

The Garden City team made it five straight in the league without a loss by turning back tough Taylor Center, 76-66 Friday night. Overall, East has a 10-1 record on the season and deserves to rate among the suburban leaders.

Taylor made the first two points of the game.

Then Mike Maciasz, who has to be one of the top performers in the state's Class A ranks, delivered a three-point play to put East in the lead for keeps.

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HOWEVER, EAST never had a chance really to relax until the late moments of the game. East led, 22-17, after one period, but the lead shrunk to four at halftime and stayed that way until the final period when East pulled away to its winning margin.

Maciasz, who's now averaging better than 22 points per game, fired in 13 of his team's 22 points in the first quarter. He added 10 more in the second period and then had to go to the bench in the third period when he ran into some foul trouble.

He came back in the fourth stanza and teamed with Charles Sakmar to make certain Taylor didn't catch up.

Maciasz wound up with 30 points, dropping in 11 baskets and eight free throws.

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SAKMAR CLICKED for 19 points, while Rick Clark had 10, Harold Slade 11, Harvey Kightlinger four and Phil Young two.

Young called East's showing "our best of the season."

He said East had to be good, especially since Taylor made 26 of its 46 shots from the field, mostly from the outside. East clicked on 29 of 61.

Besides his scoring, Maciasz helped East to control the backboards. The six-five senior pulled down 20 off the boards as East also won the battle of the rebounds, 38-23.

C'Ville Starts Fast And Wins

A fast start featured Clarenceville High's 63-60 verdict over Milford in Wayne-Oakland League game Friday night.

The Trojans jumped ahead, 21-10, at the end of the first period and then held a 42-26 edge at halftime.

In the second half, Milford started a comeback and pulled within close range of Clarenceville after Kerry Rifkin fouled out along with Dave Brandemihl.

The pair bowed out with Clarenceville leading by 13 points, thanks to some hot shooting.

The Trojans fired in 74 percent of their shots in the first half and overall in the game clicked for 64 percent.

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RIFKIN, IN leading Clarenceville with 21 points, made 19 of his points before the intermission. Bob Duman had 16 points and Brandemihl 10 to help in the conquest for Clarenceville.

Only one point separated the two teams with 10 seconds left to play when Milford crawled back to make the score read, 61-60.

But Brian Kent went to the line for the Trojans, dropped in two free throws and that iced the contest. Kent had seven points along with Novell.

Northville remained in front in the league with a 64-44 win over Holly while West Bloomfield stayed a game off the pace by downing Andover of Bloomfield Hills, 48-44.

In the other league game, Clarkston turned back Brighton, 64-52.

RU Topples Belleville In Overtime

Nothing gratifies a coach more than to see his team trail most of the way and then pull out a victory.

Such was the story for Redford Union high in squeezing past Belleville, 91-85, in an overtime battle in the Suburban Six League.

It was strictly a case of "catch-up" for the Townshippers.

Belleville led, 23-20, after one quarter; by a 42-38 score at halftime and expanded its edge to 66-58 after three periods.

Then with the chips down RU stormed back, led by Dennis Fifield and Dale Bjerke.

A Berjke basket tied the game at 78-78. Once more Belleville regained the lead, only to see Fifield knot the count at 80-80.

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BELLEVILLE SCORED again and it was 82-82 until 28 seconds remained. Then Fifield delivered again and an overtime session was required.

No sooner did the extra period begin, Bjerke slammed in a three-pointer to push RU into command, then the Townshippers dominated the rest of the way to win by six points.

Even the departure of Fifield in the overtime via the personal foul route didn't slow down the Redford Union express.

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FIFIELD AND Bjerke provided the big thrust for Redford Union.

Fifield finished with 31 points on 12 baskets and seven free throws. Bjerke clicked for 26 points, making nine baskets and eight charities.

Jim Walker chipped in with 10 points and Bill Styles and Bill Fahey with six each for the Townshippers who now stand 4-4 in the league, two games off the pace.

Wilson Boone with 23 points headed Belleville, which hit on 14 of its first 16 free throw tries.

Big Ten Basketball

	Conf. W	Conf. L	Season W	Season L
Northwestern	3	1	8	3
Wisconsin	2	1	8	5
Purdue	2	1	7	5
Ohio State	2	1	8	3
Iowa	2	2	8	5
Indiana	2	2	8	5
MICH. STATE	2	2	6	6
Illinois	1	1	5	6
MICHIGAN	0	3	4	8
Minnesota	0	3	3	9

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Mich. State 13, Northwestern 62.
Ohio State 101, Michigan 76.

THIS WEEK'S GAMES
Saturday—Ohio State at Michigan Purdue at Northwestern, Illinois vs. Notre Dame and Michigan State vs. Southern Illinois (both games at Chicago Stadium).

NHL Standings

EAST DIVISION	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Boston	24	14	6	54	167	130
Toronto	22	14	8	52	131	96
Chicago	20	12	12	52	122	105
Montreal	21	14	8	51	130	99
New York	20	13	8	48	128	116
DETROIT	17	20	7	41	148	146

WEST DIVISION	W	L	T	Pts.	GF	GA
Phila.	20	16	7	47	112	98
Los Ang.	18	13	6	42	107	127
Pittsburgh	16	22	3	35	114	132
Minnesota	15	19	9	39	102	131
St. Louis	13	21	7	33	87	114
Oakland	9	27	10	28	93	151

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Pittsburgh 2, DETROIT 5
Montreal 3, Chicago 1
Toronto 5, Minnesota 1
New York 3, Oakland 0
Boston 6, Philadelphia 2

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Toronto 2, DETROIT 0
Boston 4, Chicago 2
St. Louis 2, Philadelphia 2, tie
Minnesota 4, Pittsburgh 2
Oakland 3, Los Angeles 0

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