

# GC West Crowned Baseball Champion

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## Sports News

### R. Union Tops Final Rankings

Redford Union with 16 positions grabs off team honors in the final weekly Observer Newspaper track ratings for the 1968 seasons.

Farmington follows with 15 spots, one better than Plymouth. Bentley and Franklin each landed 10 spots, Thurston and Stevenson eight apiece, Garden City West six, Garden City East four, North Farmington three and Clarenceville two.

In all, 95 different boys representing 11 of the 14 track teams in Observer made the ratings, compiled by Coach Jerry Young of Farmington High with the assistance of Mrs. Young and the area coaches.

In last week's final action, four standout performances were chalked up. North Farmington's John Mann scaled 6 feet, 8 inches in the high jump; Bentley's Joe Chemello was clocked in 49.8 seconds in the 400-yard run; Farmington's Chris Brown soared 22 feet, 5 inches in the long jump and Rick Randall of North Farmington clicked off a 4:23.9 mile.

The final ratings

100 YARD DASH	1.131
1. Redford Union	1.131
2. Livonia Bentley	1.132
3. Livonia Stevenson	1.132
4. Plymouth	1.132
5. Farmington	1.132
6. Franklin	1.132
100 YARD DASH	1.132
1. Alwell, Tom, Farm.	1.131
2. Burgh, Jim, GCW	1.131
3. Heffick, Bob, GCW	1.131
4. Spiller, Tom, Bentley	1.131
5. Biel, Marc, Farm.	1.131
6. Dargatzis, Bob, GCW	1.131
7. Philfield, Dennis, RU	1.131
8. Scaglione, Bob, Farm.	1.131
9. Trola, Ron, Farm.	1.131

To the victor goes the loot... and in the fifth annual Les Anders Memorial Invitational baseball tournament the honors went to Garden City West.

West squeezed past Bentley, 4-3, in Saturday night's championship game. Not only did the victory spell the tourney title for West, but by winning, West gained the right to play this week in a district regional involving winners of

similar meets held at Wyandotte, Pontiac and Warren. In the last analysis it was the arm of Bob Chidester that carried West to the golden throne. He pitched a 1-0 victory over Sorrows, a 3-1 verdict over Stevenson and then had a

shutout going until the final inning against Bentley. Jim Furry hurled the other conquest for West, an 8-0 verdict over Clarenceville. Bentley put out Clemen and then ousted Northville, 8-0, in its drive into the title game.

IT MARKED the first time that West has won the tourney finale. But the success story for West was by no means a surprise. West had entered the meet as one of the favorites as the result of winning a share of the Tri-Rivers League title, West, in upping its season's

record to 18-4, jumped off to a 1-0 lead in the first inning and never trailed the rest of the way. Chuck Evans opened up with a single, moved to third on an error and scored on Jerry LaCross's fly to right. In the third inning, West cashed two more runs with the help of Bentley's muscues. Craig Sylvester walked and Evans was safe on an error. Harrison punted the rubbers along and Jim Zurzy singled to chase Bentley starter Ken Grates, despite the fact he had allowed only two hits. Bill Kelly came in, put out the first and worked effectively until LaCross was safe on an error and Craig Wilson beat out a hit. LaCross stole third and came in to score what proved the winning run on a wild throw.



TO THE VICTORS go the championship trophy in the fifth annual Les Anders Memorial baseball tournament, sponsored by the Observer Newspapers, Livonia Recreation Department

and the Livonia Optimist Club. Happy members of the Garden City West squad are shown holding the big trophy following the victory over Bentley High in the finals.

### Next Wednesday Observer To Salute High School Stars

Who are the best high school baseball players in Observerland? And the best preps in track? Watch for next Wednesday's editions of the Observer. The answers will be forthcoming. Sports Editor George Maskin has joined with coaches to select the annual Observer baseball and track all-star units. There'll also be another special feature—a salute to the graduating senior athletes. Don't miss next Wednesday's Observer for the area's All Star Track and Baseball teams.

### Sorrows, St. Agatha Both Trail

Our Lady of Sorrows High School's track team managed nine points and St. Agatha three in the Catholic League's Second Division track meet at University of Detroit.

Bill Hartcock of Sorrows and Dan Sweeney of St. Agatha both finished in a tie for second place in the high jump with efforts of five feet, two inches. Hartcock also was second in the 440-yard run while Mark Hartwig of Sorrows placed third in the pole vault, going 10 feet, four inches.

St. Agatha's mile relay team placed fifth. St. Stanislaus won the team title with 31 points. Nativity was second with 29.

BENTLEY SAVED the game's major dramatics until the final inning. With one out, pinch-hitter Ken Goukowsky ran two bases on a wild throw. Bill Rice singled Goukowsky to third. John Schroeder followed with a single to score Goukowsky.

After Bill Buckley popped out, Kelly walked to fill the bases. Bob Casenden looped a single to right to chase in Rice and was second with 29.

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### Plymouth Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Red Legs	3
Pirates	4
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Giants	6
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Yankees	8
White Sox	9
Indians	10
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Twins	12
Angels	13
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