



PLAQUE HONOR(NG him as a new member of the Michigan Amateur Sports Hall of Fame is presented to W.W. "Eddie" Edgar, dean of Observer & Eccentric staff writers, by Execu-

tive Editor R.T. "Tommy" Thompson (right). Edgar was honored at the annual fall awards banquet at the Warren Chateau. (Photo by Art

# Jauron reviews own performance

The road which leads from Swamp-scott, Massachusetts, through Yale University, to the National Football League is not a well traversed high-way. Somewhere along the way, merging traffic from Notre Dame or Grambling College intercedes and arrives at the destination first.

But when an athelete from an Ivy League college makes it, he usually makes it big. The New York Knicks? Bill Bradley went from the campus'of Princeton and Oxford into a starting position on an NBA team. Calvin Hill's success at Yale didn't decline to Dallas Cowboy's backfield.

The Ivy League schools' contribution to the Detroit sports seen is Detroit Lion defensiveback Dick Jauron, wa resident of Troy. The Swamp-scott native had the college world at his feet when he graduated high school. Dick selected pretigious Yale, oot, far from Swampscott.

key figure on the baseball squad. Yale is hardly a school which places an em-phasis on its athletic program, a fact indicated by its absence of athletic

indicated by its absence of athletics scholarships. Dick was selected by the Lions on the fourth round of the college player draft. Although he was an offensive running back in college, the Lions had him pegged as a potential defensive back, a notion which has proved suc-cessful.

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The greatest adjustment Jauron has experienced is the nature of the game. At Yale, tootball was second to classwork, a player's attendance at classwork, a player's attendance at demic schedule. Football, as the evel as other sports were always kept in a secondary perspective. In the pror arms, football is a profession. An absence at a practice has spelled doom for many players, most recently vic Washington of the 49er's. Its a serious business, a radical departure from the atmosphere at Yale.

Jauron has overcome many of the obstacles presented to an Ivy Leaguer, and has become one of the NFL's more respected defenders.

In his personal life. Dick is pretty removed from the life of football. His bome is tastefully decorated with impressionistic paintings and music fills the rooms.

Exen in his physical appearance, Dick is unlike the common conception of a professionall football player. He is neither large nor thickly musled, and his fade shows no marks of a beatern man.

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Jauron differs from many of his
teanmates in his opinion regarding
sportswriters. Some players dislike
the role of the reporter, while others
cooperate readily. Dick just doesn't
have an opinion one way or another,
he simply, doesn't read the sports see
"There are many times that a
writer will criticize a player without
any real little of that player's responsibility. The writer isn't in our huddles,

doesn't attend our strategy sessions, doesn't really have a true conception of all our plays. Theref are times when a player is criticized for not making a tackle when the fact that he was even near the play is solely due to his hustle." says Jaupn. "How a player performs is a personal matter, its how he feels about himself. When I play a game. I'm concerned about how I feel towards myself. I can't allow a writer's opinion the affect me. I'm my own critic."

how I feel towards myself. I can't allow a writer's opinion to affect me. I'm my own critic." On the field and off. Dick Jauron is an individualist, one who has an idea of the relative importance of things. Right now, a possible playoff berth is important to the Lions, and that's right in line with Jauron's thinking too.

#### Students entertain retirees

# Schools get money after filing suit

BIRMINGHAM—Perseverance and determination on the part of James V. O'Neil, director of physical plant and transportation for the Birmingham Schools, has paid off.
Statistics on all new construction in the school district between Dec. 15, 1855, and Jan. 1. 1866, were compiled by O'Neil and entered on forms provided by Frank Kelley, state attorney general.

The information was needed for a class action suit filed on behalf of all 50 states against gypsum wallboard manufacturers for price fixing, O'Neil

Last week the school district re-ceived a check for \$1,353,68 or one-half the amount awarded to the Bir-mingham Schools in the suit.

"WE ARE SUPPOSED to get another check later for the same amount." O'Neil said Friday. "We were a little surprised to get it and very happy. "At first I was inclined to think it wasn't worth it but I guess it was," he said of the time spent in digging out the information needed. Under the class action suit, seven companies were ordered to reimburse users of wallboard during the stated time interval. in the sum of 35 million, according to O'Neil.

The State of Michigan recovered \$235,000 as its share of the total, of which the Birmingham School District will receive \$2,707,36.

The relimbursed funds will go back into the debt fund to retire bonds borrowed for construction during the periowed for construction during the periower.

## Kandahar: non profit skiing

Kandahar is a non-profft, do-it-rourself family oriented 'ski' club 10 hours of work a year in mainte-that offers quality, low cost sking nance and improvement of the fa-in this age of soaring prices. Club rules say the male head of each Club members have been busy

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since September preparing their 100-acrè ski area for this year's sking season.

The feaults can be seen by the public during Kandahar's annual open house Sunday, December 8, 1974.

Coffee and refreshments will be served during the day in the club's rustic 4,000 square foot lodge, with its two huge fireplaces and its picture windows that look out onto two of the club's 10 ski slopes in the rolling hills of Tyrone Township in Livingston County.

TOURS OF the slopes and ski trails will be conducted aboard four-wheel-drive vehicles.

The club's main slope of 1,500 feet is served by a Pomalift, Rope tows take skiers to the summit of the other runs.

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Lights allow for night skiin. The club's new snowmaking equipment helps maintain snow contions throughout the winter.

The club was founded in 1936 by four Detroit area families that wanted skiing close to home.

Today it has an active membership of 350 families. Club statisticans calculate that each family has 4.5 skiing children.

"WE'RE TRULY a family ski club," said Ray Williams of Royal Oak, this year's president. "Our members come from Warren, Bir-mingham, Bloomfield, West Bloomfield, Troy, Rochester, Southfield, Farmington, Com-merce, Detroit, Royal Oak, Ann Arbor, Pontiac, and even as far away as Toledo and Owosso." Many of the skiers are young beginners so the club offers free ski lessons taught by trained instruc-tors.

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available during the December & open house.

The club is on Foley Road just east of Hartland Road and US-23 to the Visitors jahould take US-23 to the Center Road exit south of Fenton

### Winter classes slated

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