



O&E 1975 all-area football squad

Coaches from the 18 football teams in the Observer & Eccentric's Oakland County circulation area met Nov. 12 and selected the following all-area grid squad:

OFFENSE

End John Bailey, Birmingham Groves. was a workhorse this year. He went both ways for the Falcons and returned both punts and kickoffs. Bailey, 6-2, 190, caught 24 passes for 381 yards for a 15.9 average, picked up 90 first hits on defense. He also picked up six fumbles on defense, returned punts for a 21.7 average, kick offs for a 39.1 average and scored three touchdowns.

End Terry Simmons, Birmingham Brother Rice. caught 22 passes for the Warriors this year for a total of 407 yards. A safety on defense, the 6-3, 185-pound stand-out made 18 solo tackles and recovered one fumble.

Tackle Tim Oliver, Southfield. was a stand-out with punts for the Blue Jays. On defense, the 6-4, 240-pound tackle made 60 solo tackles and 23 assists. The team leader in defense for the Jays, coach John Finlayson commented about him, "He has excellent mobility and speed, and he did a great job blocking all year."

Tackle Steve Fuller, Birmingham Brother Rice. also went both ways for the Warriors. A senior, the 6-3, 200-pound stand-out was the best tackle in the Catholic league and was second in tackles on the team with 80. Coach Al Fracassa labels him a definite college player.

Guard Dennis Bona, Farmington. although not that large at 5-9, 175 pounds, played three years of varsity ball for the Falcons. A fine linebacker as well, Bona shored up the middle of the Farmington defense. Southfield, a junior, was a question mark in the mind of John Finlayson at the beginning of the season. But Frear helped make the Blue Jays line "a real asset" and he along with Oliver provided key blocks for running back Rick Wieland.

Center Mark Kochanski, Birmingham Brother Rice. at 6-3, 235 pounds was a three-year starter for the Warriors. A prospect for many major colleges, Kochanski had perfect snaps on every punt and extra-point situation for Rice, and was the best center in the Catholic League.

Quarterback Don Hendricks, Birmingham Brother Rice. was a double threat quarterback. The 6-1, 187-pound senior carried 78 times for 596 yards and eight touchdowns, completed 45 of 78 passes for 723 yards and six touchdowns, and was intercepted only three times all season.

Running back Frank Reneaud, Troy. was the Colts "Mister Everything" this year. He punted, kicked, played linebacker, and fullback. Reneaud, 5-11, 185 pounds collected 1,206 yards on 204 carries, scored 14 touchdowns, another 18 points kicking punts, field goals, and running for two-point conversions. A repeater on the O & E squad, he punted for a 38.0 average, and caught nine passes for 108, and ran back punts and kick offs. Said coach Tom Conley, "He's the best back I've seen out of here in 10 years. He just keeps coming at you."

Running back Mike Bowden, Farmington Harrison. consistently gained more than 100 yards a game. "He's big, strong, and fast," said coach John Herrington of his 6-1, 186-pound Bowden, a junior, picked up 111 yards in 25 carries against Farmington.

Running back Kevin Kamsman, Farmington High. "made his contribution both ways," according to Falcon coach Hal Beardsley. The 6-0, 170-pound fullback picked up 829 yards in slightly over 100 carries to break the school record, and averaged nine solo tackles a game from his linebacking spot. A senior, he came up with the

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A back-up quarterback and safety, Ambrose "added an extra dimension to the offense," according to coach Dick Ulrich.

Punter Randy Meier of Farmington. also a junior, booted for a 35-yard average this year. The Falcons quarterback and place kicker Meier punted 34 times, once for 72 yards. He also hit-on 14 of 16 extra points. Said coach Hal Beardsley, "He's a very good punter and quite consistent."

DEFENSE

End Kurt Kramer, Seabrook. received his school's Vince Lombardi award as the best lineman and also was an all-Southeastern Michigan Association selection. The 6-2, 185-pound senior had 13 quarterback sacks, 33 first hits and was named outstanding defensive player in seven of the Maple nine games.

End Mike Charette, Southfield. made 41 solo tackles and assisted on 30 hits. The 6-0, 170-pound junior also recovered three fumbles for coach John Finlayson's squad and deflected one pass in a game against Royal Oak Kimball.

Tackle Steve Arkwright, Brother Rice. made 50 solo tackles and, according to coach Al Fracassa, he is tough to block and never gets knocked off his feet. Arkwright, a junior, is 5-10 and weighs 190.

Tackle Mike Schwartz, North Farmington. was a two-year starter and played both ways. On defense, he recovered two fumbles, sacked the quarterback five times, had eight solo tackles, 33 first hits and 30 assists. He is a 5-9, 180-pound senior.

Nose guard Bill Aaron, Birmingham Groves. recovered five fumbles for the Falcons while making 61 first hits and 54 second hits. A senior, the 6-2,

the Warriors and he was credited with 78 tackles and two interceptions. Fracassa describes the 6-2, 210-pound senior as a major college prospect.

Linebacker John Patk, North Farmington. served as captain of his team and was named most valuable player. A three-year starter, the 6-0, 180-pound senior recovered four fumbles, threw the ball carrier for loss seven times intercepted once, made 10 solo tackles, 30 first hits and 28 assists. He also punted for a 38-yard average and was a kicking specialist as well.

Defensive back Pat Callaghan, Brother Rice. made the Observer & Eccentric all-area team last year. A two-year starter, he had 14 career interceptions and made 57 tackles. Callaghan is a 5-10, 175-pound senior.

Defensive back Paul Rogind, Farmington Harrison. is a 5-11, 170-pound senior best known for his placekicking abilities, connecting on a 42-yard field goal against Plymouth, Salem and missing only two extra points in his career. He averaged 12 tackles a game and made several key interceptions.

Defensive back Rick Wieland, Southfield High. was described by coach John Finlayson as the best back in the Southeastern Michigan Association. The 5-9, 160-pound senior also played in the offensive backfield, rushing for 714 yards on 134 carries and scoring 16 points.

The second-team defense includes David Payne, Detroit Country Day School, 6-1, 200-pound senior, and Gary Gettelf, Birmingham Groves, 6-3, 220-pound senior, tackle Keith Williams, Cranbrook, a senior, tackle Joe Seveck, West Bloomfield, 6-3, 180-pound junior, nose guard Bill Watts, Southfield, 5-11, 190-pound junior, linebacker Doug Manley, Birmingham Seabrook, 5-11, 175-pound senior, linebacker Barry Mazade, Birmingham Groves, 6-2, 190-pound senior, linebacker Brad Green, Rochester, 6-2, 183-pound junior, defensive back Rick Flesland, Bloomfield Hills, 6-0, 165-pound senior, defensive back Jeff McPike, Farmington, 6-1, 180-pound senior, and Scott Thompson, Birmingham Seabrook, 5-5, 155-pound junior.

Honorable mention

- AYONDALE**
Rob Beauchamp-WR, Keith Stroehlein-RB, Dan McLaughlin-RB, Dave Bland-DE, Keith Brand-DB, Brian Churchill-DB, Mark Dubrow-DB
- BIRMINGHAM BROTHER RICE**
Tom Henry-WR, Larry Clarke-OG, Joe Fontana-RB, Mark Warner-RB, Mike Cullen-RB, Kevin Haffey-DT, Jay McGlinchey-DT
- BIRMINGHAM GROVES**
Tom Williams-OG, Mark Gritton-DB
- BIRMINGHAM SEABROOK**
Jim Fox-WR, Bill Brooks-WR, Mike Jacobs-OT, Doug Olander-OG, Chris Smith-QB, Greg Richmond-NG, Fred Koetting-LB, Gale White-LB, Ed McCallum-DB
- BLOOMFIELD HILLS ANDOVER**
Scott Anton-RB, Bill Lasdaub-DB, Jim Breugh-QB, Mark Vennel-RB
- BLOOMFIELD HILLS LAHSER**
Steve Knudson-WR, John Gordy-WR, Frank Jenkins-DE, Ted Dume-RB, Mike Munson-RB, Kelly Wronce-DE, Dean Miles-NG, Dan Brand-LB
- CRANBROOK**
Charles Ferrell-WR, Bill Getman-OT, Clark Shuler-OG, Ed Loukas-RB, Rob Debboli-DE, Mark Smith-DT, Bill Hewes-LB, Jeff Fauer-DB
- DETROIT COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL**
Chris Yelder-WR, Jim Rosenfeld-RB
- FARMINGTON**
John Dahlstrom-OT, Steve Funn-OG, Todd Schwenberger-C, Marty Popp-DE, Jerry Kuhnle-DB, Rick Mihail-DB
- FARMINGTON HARRISON**
Kerry Welborn-OT, Jeff Thorne-QB, Rob Brancheau-DE, Bill Blackner-DT, Tim Harsh-LB
- ROCHESTER**
Tim Coleman-WR, Dennis Dentler-DE, Tony Reedy-NG, John Dagan-DB
- ROCHESTER ADAMS**
Pete Corrado-DT, Steve Korte-DB, Roy Willard-LB, Mike Acton-RB, Phil Seto-QB
- SOUTHFIELD**
Geno Scartozzi-WR
- SOUTHFIELD LATHRUP**
Brian Black-OT, Mike Canby-LB, Chris Schultz-LB
- TROY**
Tom Watrous-WR, Brian Ham-OT, Mike McCabe-OG, Steve Kime-OG, Mark Jarack-QB
- TROY ATHENS**
Ray Slominski-C, Rick Yang-LB, Brian Brown-LB, Paul Sianonis-DB, Mark Bentley-DB
- WEST BLOOMFIELD**
Kirk Herman-OG, Pete Fletcher-C, Kevin Jung-DT, Mark Tostalan-LB, Kevin Curran-DB, Gavin Goodrich-DB, Kent Maholland-DB