## Rice's Norton named Coach of the Year

Bill Norton, Brother Rice basketball coach, goes into every game believing

his team will win.

That attitude spilled over to the players. Norton characterizes his team as one that possessed quickness

## Honorable Mention players listed

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sen for honorable mention status on-the 1977 Observer & Eccentric All-Area basketball team.

Rick Milhizer, Farmington; Tim Moore. Andover; Kevin Kowalski, West Bloomfield: Paul Butkunas. Farmington Harrison; Mike G reia. North Farmington: Scott Parks. Rochester Adams; Bob Finnell, Farm-

Following is a list of the players choen for honorable mention status on he 1977 Observer & Eccentric All-preiss, Andover: Brain Schnur. Troy; Preston Swigart, Avondale.

Scott Osters, Seaholm; Paul Wilkie, Southfield; Mark Martin, Rochester; Brian Burgess, Brother Rice; Eric Feldman, Andover; Mark Marango, Troy Athens; Bill Barclay, Southfield Christian.

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and good outside shooting. They make up their lack of physical strength with its skill, awareness and overall in-

Most of all, though, it's the desire to win.

"We never feel like we're the under-dog. We prepare to win. The team is typified by its will to win. We expect to win all year long." says Norton.

They did just that. Norton guided his team to the State Class A Championships where they eventually lost

in overtime to Lansing Everett. The Warriors wound up 23-4. Rice went into tits last three games as the underdog. All three opponents were rated higher than Rice in the state.

NORTON IS a coach with praise, emotion and discipline for his team. "The greatest source of satisfaction came from the tremendous improvement of so many individuals." Says Norton.

Speaking on his loss to Everett in the state championship game he says.

open women's tournament. That event will include singles and doubles play May 9-11.

Triple twister

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FRANKLIN RACQUET CLUB trounced Royal Oak Racquet Chb. 250-102. in a Metro Tennis League match Saturday at Franklin.
Royal Oak players won only three of 24 matches, two irt he mens' singles and one in the mens' doubles play.

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The Racquet Clubs will have an open match with Rochester, April 17. at Rochester. Frankin resumes Metro Tennis League play, April 23, when the club plays host to Centaur Farms Racquet Club.

There will be a men's doubles tournament, 8 pm., April 16 at the Franklin Racquet Club.

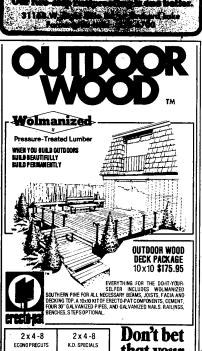
COURT HOUSE Tennis and Rac-quet Club will kick off a series of six tournaments, five of which are sanc-tioned by the United States Tennis As-

tournaments, tive of which are sanctioned by the United States Tennis Association. April 3-10 with a boys and girls lis and under event for singles and doubles.

In the sand girls 18 and under event for experiments will be held April 13-17. Two tournaments will be held April 12-14. This will include singles and doubles for boys and girls in the 10 and under and 12 and under divisions. Boys and girls in the 10 and under and 12 and under way enter the singles and doubles play April 28 through May 1. Pollowing that, an open men's tournament for hose 35 and under and 45 and under will include singles and doubles play and be held May 6-8.

The only event not sanctioned is the







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