Salem edges Bentley in OT

By DENNIS O'CONNOR

It was the kind of game Crazy George hated to miss.

The Detroit Pistons' comical, slick, ball-handling sideshow act visited the Livonia Bentley gym to entertain the capacity crowd of over 2,000 fans in a long halftime exhibition Tuesday night.

But the true entertainment and exciting exhibition actually came 1½ hours later when Plymouth Salem's Barry Owens turned in the key and sank a soft nine-foot jumper with just four seconds left in overtime to give the Rocks a dramatic 69-67 victory over the Bulldogs.

It was everything any basketball fan could ask for in a prep game, as the traditional Salem — Bentley knock 'em down, drag 'em out court battles didn't lose any spice after this outcome.

The victory gives the state-ranked Rocks a perfect 10-0 overall record at the midpoint of the regular season. Salem is the only undefeated team in Observerland. The Rocks also take over sole first place in the Suburban Eight League race with a 5-0 mark.

Bentley dropped to 4-1 in the league race, one knotch behind Salem. The Bulldogs still hold an impressive 8-2 overall record.

"We had to battle for everthing we got," said Salem coach Fred Thomann, as he breezed a sigh of relief after the important road victory. "Our kids knew we were in for a fight. We knew it would swing their (Bentley) way and then swing back our way (all night long).

"We told the kids if we get down close with teams we can win it. And Barry (Owens) got the big bucket.

"It was a great high school basketball game. We're the surprise team. No one believed me or the team but they believe us now."

Owens led the Rocks' scoring, playing the best game of his high school career. The 6-2 forward scored 21 points to take game honors. He registered 11 of those in the third quarter when Salem battled back from a 34-26 halftime defecit.

Rich Hewlett scored 16 points and had the assist on Owens' game-winning hoop. Teammate Kevin Kelliher added 15.

Bentley coach Jim Komula had hoped for revenge after Salem beat his squad in this same gym last February to gain a share of the Sub-8 title last season. Although it wasn't to be, the Bulldog mentor still felt his squad deserved credit.

"I think we're better than them (Salem)." Komula said, despite the loss. "I can't take anything away from them (Salem). They played hard.

"But I don't think they are any better than we are. If they are rated fifth (in the state by the Detroit News and ninth by the Detriot Free Press), then we should be rated fifth too.

"What hurt was their hand checking," the Bentley coach said in disgust.

Kurt Thorderson led the Bentley squad with 18 points, playing tough inside and outside all night long. Older brother Eric added 17 as did Chris Bollin. Guard Steve Booth chipped in with 10.

Salem led 50-46 going into the final quarter but foul trouble resulted in Bentley owning a 64-59 lead with only 1:55 left in regulation time. Jim Anderson's two free throws with 35 seconds left in the fourth quarter tied the score at 65-65, sending the game into the extra stanza.

In The Pocket.

By W.W. EDGAR

Billy Golembiewski will have some familiar company when he walks down the runway to be inducted in to the American Bowling Congress Hall of Fame next March in Tampa, Fla.

Two of his former comrades in the Detroit all-star leagues-- Lee Jouglard and Tony Lindemann-- have been chosen by the ABC veter ans committee to be honored for their past performances.while mem bers of the Stroh team.

Jouglard, who died a year ago in California, set what was then a record in the 1951 ABC tournament at St. Paul when he rolled a 775 in the singles and went on to post a 2000 in the all-events.

At the same time Lindemann rolled a 2005 to win the all events and help the team take the team all-events with a 9506 which still is the fourth highest in the history of the tournament.

DICK BEATTIE , another member of the all-star leagues, set a record for the Bonanza Majors Association when he won his eighth tournament in the monthly event at Strike & Spare Lanes in Birmingham. This is the largest number of victories by any one bowler in the 12-year history of the association.

To gain his latest victory Beattie averaged 226 and won nine of his 12 matches.

THE PINS were flying in the Bowlerettes loop at Luxury Lanes last Monday night.

When the firing stopped Terry Grant of the Firebird team had set a new high series mark for the season with a 745 series. To get the big count she linked games of 254,278 and 213. And the irony of it all was the fact that she missed in the final frame of her last game.

The new high mark enabled her Firebird team to roll a 3058 series on games of 1078, 1018 and 962.

LADY LUCK frowned on two bowlers at Westland Bowl during the week and kept them from the ranks of those who have posted perfect games.

The first came in the Monday league where Wally Wadysz left up the 6-10 on his final ball and had to settle for a 648 series. This was only good enough for third place as Borry Schmidttling took the pacemaking role with a 677 and John Tabacchi had a 277 in 657 for the runner-up spot.

Dick Lang was the victim of the other frown when he, too, left up two pins in the final frame and settled for 298 in the Little Caesar Classic. This count helped to post a 694 and a one pin margin over Bob Schonce while Dave Sill took third with 686. Julie Zimmerman was high among the women with a 635.

Team honors went to Bob Goike's Pro Sport squad with a 3323 gained on games of 1102, 1160 and 1061.

BETTY MARKWARD walked away with top honors in the Livonia ladies classic. She won the final of the three game series with a 207-35--242 and then took the series with 497-105--602. In the other games Dorothy Goryca won the first with ??x 192-16--208 and Kay Harmon captured the second with 190-35--225.

One of the oddities of the season was turned in by Emily Schafer and Helen Peace when they posted identical counts of 149,126 and 134 in the Livonia senior citizens league, while Lois Debone, a 126 average bowler, posted a 203.

SCORING REACHED a new high in the Ward Church League at Farmington Lanes when David Pelli rolled a 266 in 687.

In the teen classic Dan Myers , who had a 260 earlier in the ..... year, came through with a 220 in 628. Berry Van Dike was next with a206 in 600. Linda Hamlin, 16 years old, rolled a 250 in 636 and Cheryl Gondick, 13 years old, had a 202 in 548.

IN OTHER good performances Dennis Seeman fired a 692 seri es in the men's league at Plaza Lanes and Virgil Norgrove, aided by a234 opener had a 659 in the Ford League. Dick Woodruff was high at the Super Bowl with a 653 and Evelyn LIpscomb, a 138 average bowler in the Livonia senior citizens had a 535.

LOTTIE GEARY showed the way in the Merri-Bowl doubles with a 596 and Christy Nikkile, bowling in the peanut division of the junior league, had a 411.

At Woodland Lanes June Napier paced the Thursday ladies loop with 535 and Melba O. Panze had a 602 to show the way to the Early Birds. Ed Adams and Mark Langley tied at 217 for high game honors in the Franklin High School loop.

One of the best single game efforts was turned in by Anne Troke, who fired a 234 in the doubles at Merri-Bowl

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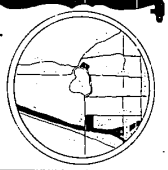

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T1N, R9E, Section 29, beginning at a point of the E & W ¼ line distant S 88-03-26 E 140 ft. from center of Section; thence S 01-11-14 W 105.48 ft. to the northerly line of Farmington Cut-off; thence N 73-58-00 W 335.06 ft.; thence N 01-11-14 E 756.82 ft.; thence S 88-02-21 E 325 ft.; thence S 01-11-14 W 742.57 ft. to the point of beginning, and containing 6.01 acres.
Property Description 23-29-253-002

Property located north of Freedom Road and west of Drake Road adjacent to the Chatham Hills Subdivision.
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NEDRA VIANE, City Clerk

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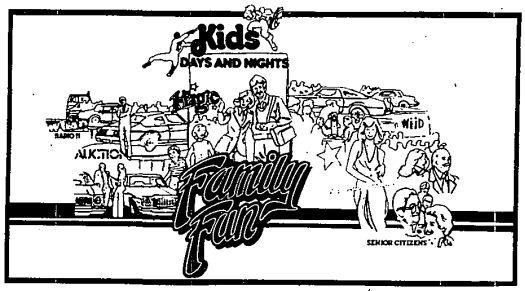

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