

Here are area cage 'blue chippers'

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Seniors dominate selections

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The word is out—a 32-foot-1, 955 pound cager going by the name All-Area is on the loose.

Word has it that a countless number of college recruiters are on the hunt ready with any sort of net to capture its prey.

The 1973-74 prep basketball campaign is ready to turn over its final page in the area with the last chapter headed post-season honors, announcing the 73-74 all-area cage lineup.

The first team is composed of Churchill's Don Braun and Ken Landini, Franklin's Kevin Kaseta, North Farmington's Jim Fredericks and Brian Kaluzny of John Glenn make up that 32-foot-1, 955 pound team.

This elite five averages out to 6-foot-5 and 183 pounds a man. The five also average out with 91.5 points per game along with 61 rebounds.

Impressive basketball statistics is not the only department these five seniors excel in as they average out to boast a 3.4 grade point average. Kaseta is on top of that list with a 3.9 showing.

Kaseta, who captured an all-area first team berth last season, is the solo repeater in this year's honor card.

The 6-8 Franklin star who finished No. 5 on the scoring charts last season with a 19.2 points per game average took the honor this time around with 545 points in 23 games for a 23.7 point per game mark.

Topping the rebound charts was Churchill's 6-7 Braun who hauled in 372 grabs in 22 games for a 16.9 rebound per game mark. Kaseta was next in line with 361 rebounds in 24 contests for a 15 rebound per game average.

Franklin, the No. 1 club in the area with a 22-4 record, was the solo team to make it out of the districts and regionals only to tumble to Brother Rice in quarterfinal play.

The key behind Franklin's prowess was Kaseta who totaled 1,099 points in his two years of varsity ball.

Kaseta hit on 219 of 401 shots from the floor for a 54.5 per cent and converted on 107 of 144 from the line for a 74.3 per cent. Kevin was the leading scorer in the area and had a season game high of 40 points.

The 6-foot-8 Patriot star was all-northwest the last two years, and honorable mention all-state last season.

His senior stint honors have just started to pile up with a number that has now climbed over the 100 mark of interested colleges hoping for his signature of intent.

North Farmington's Jim Fredericks is another all-northwest loop performer on the No. 1 club. The Raider standout, who was also all-area on the 1973 gridiron squad, sports a 3.4 grade point average.

At 6-foot-3, Fredericks hauled in an average of 15 rebounds per game, hit on 168 of 300 shots from the floor in 29 games, and converted on 77 of 99 from the charity line.

Fredericks totaled 415 points this year to give him a three year total of 844 points and is the first North cager ever to finish with over a 20 point per game mark, at 20.8.

North Coach Ken Dean stated that Jim's only weakness was in that he didn't shoot enough, and passed off instead of taking a good shot.

"For a guy that shot 56 per cent from the floor, Jim only averaged about 15 shots per game," commented Dean.

Making the first team from a 15-6 Westland John Glenn team was senior Brian Kaluzny.

The 6-foot-4, 235 pounder had the highest field goal percentage in the area. Brian hit on 129 of 214 shots from the floor for a 60.2 per cent. He also made good 75 of 121 from the free throw line totaling 339 points for a 15.1 point per game mark.

A knee injury hampered his play in the state tourney this season but Brian was picked all-northwest.

Kaluzny sports a 3.3 grade point average and back on the subject of his outstanding field goal mark, Brian hit 10 out of 10 from the floor in a 95-49 victory over Southgate.

The final two members of the first team come from Pat Montano's Churchill squad which lost to only one club this season, city rival Franklin.

After winning the first six games, Churchill fell to Franklin, 68-59, and then proceeded to reel off 14 consecutive victories before falling again to Franklin in a district finale, 39-38.

The heart of the Churchill team was in the talent of Don Braun and Ken Landini.

The 6-foot-7 Braun, weighed in at 215 pounds, won the area rebound battle with a 16.9 grab per contest mark and also sports a 3.2 grade point.

Braun is all western Six for the league champs and was the solo returning starter in Montano's 73-74 card which was coming off a 19-6 season.

Don hit 151 of 308 at the floor for 49 per cent and hit for 347 points total, finishing with a 15.8 points per game showing.

The other Charger to make the top squad and round out the card is Ken Landini, checking in at 6-foot-3 and 165 pounds, the lightest member of the first team by 20 pounds.

Ken was a two-year varsity performer for Churchill and like Braun, captured all-western six acclaim.

Landini started off his sophomore year around the 130 pound mark, upped it to 135 last season but put away a lot of spaghetti last summer to up it to 165 this season.

Area top prep cage scorers

FIRST TEAM

	Ht.	Wt.	Class
KEVIN KASETA, Franklin	6-8	195	Sr.
DON BRAUN, Churchill	6-7	215	Sr.
JIM FREDERICKS, N. Farmington	6-3	185	Sr.
BRIAN KALUZYNY, John Glenn	6-4	205	Sr.
KEN LANDINI, Churchill	6-3	165	Sr.

SECOND TEAM

	Ht.	Wt.	Class
ERIC AGARDY, Plymouth Salem	6-9	210	Jr.
KEN KINSVATER, GC West	6-5	190	Sr.
KEITH BLAZAITIS, Franklin	6-8	185	Sr.
BRUCE JOHNSON, Plymouth Salem	6-5	180	Sr.
JIM KROLLMAN, John Glenn	6-2	170	Sr.

THIRD TEAM

	Ht.	Wt.	Class
JOHN GARDNER, Lathrup	6-9	200	Jr.
JIM ELLINGHAUSEN, Ply Salem	6-7	175	Soph.
JAMIE KNAPP, Franklin	6-1	170	Sr.
MATT DEMARS, Franklin	6-1	195	Sr.
JOHN BALLANTYNE, Lathrup	6-9	135	Sr.

HONORABLE MENTION

DAVE TROWBRIDGE, Southfield; MIKE REX, St. Agatha; BRIAN LUKA, Clarencville; JIM PETER, Garden City East; BOB FRENCH, Farmington Harrison; GREG EMERY, Garden City East; DON FOREST, Churchill; BRUCE VANWAGONER, Churchill; GREG DRYPEN, Bishop Borgess; JIM DAVIS Stevenson; JIM GILLAND, Stevenson; CURT BEADLE, Thurston; JEFF BRITTAIN, John Glenn; MIKE BANCROFT, North Farmington; RON LACK, Plymouth Canton; MIKE THOMPSON, St. Agatha; ALEX CHAINS, Bentley; RICK NEU, Bentley; DAVE PRUETER, Plymouth Salem; PAUL TATRO, Garden City West.

Churchill finishes with best record

	W-L	Pct.	PF	PA
1 - CHURCHILL	20-2	.909	1382	1072
2 - PLYMOUTH SALEM	21-3	.875	1562	1242
3 - FRANKLIN	22-4	.846	1760	1463
4 - JOHN GLENN	15-6	.714	1526	1167
5 - GARDEN CITY WEST	14-7	.666	1372	1106
6 - NORTH FARMINGTON	13-11	.545	1312	1299
7 - SOUTHFIELD	13-11	.545	1585	1507
8 - BENTLEY	10-11	.476	1253	1160
9 - STEVENSON	10-11	.476	1113	1235
10 - REDFORD UNION	8-13	.380	1102	1294
11 - SOUTHFIELD LATHRUP	8-13	.380	1240	1263
12 - GARDEN CITY EAST	7-13	.350	1029	1201
13 - BISHOP BORGESS	5-15	.250	1100	1303
14 - THURSTON	5-18	.217	1431	1614
15 - PLYMOUTH CANTON	4-17	.190	1130	1338
16 - FARMINGTON	4-17	.150	1047	1393
17 - ST. AGATHA	2-18	.100	1098	1494
18 - FARMINGTON HARRISON	2-19	.095	1088	1477
19 - CLARENCEVILLE	1-19	.050	934	1326
TOTALS (19 area schools)	182-227	.445	24114	25010

Churchill's 6-7 Braun tops on the boards

	Ht.	G	RB	Hi	AVG
BRAUN, Churchill	6-7	22	372	25	16.9
KASETA, Franklin	6-8	24	361	28	15.0
GARDNER, Lathrup	6-9	21	301	27	14.3
TROWBRIDGE, Southfield	6-4	20	270	27	13.5
FREDERICKS, N. Farm.	6-3	20	260	23	13.0
BLAZAITIS, Franklin	6-8	26	215	22	12.1
EMERY, GC East	6-3	19	218	21	11.5
BULGER, Borgess	6-2	18	204	27	11.4
AGARDY, Ply Salem	6-9	24	250	23	10.5
KALUZYNY, John Glenn	6-4	22	226	17	10.3

Kaseta wins scoring title

	G	FG-FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	TP	AVG.	HI
KASETA, Franklin	24	219-401	54.6	107-144	74.3	545	22.7	40
FREDERICKS, N. Farm.	20	169-300	56.3	77-99	77.7	415	20.8	32
DRYPEN, Bishop	18	122-205	59.5	64-111	57.6	328	18.2	30
GARDNER, Lathrup	21	158-280	56.4	64-79	81.0	382	18.2	33
BALLANTYNE, Lathrup	21	135-238	56.7	58-107	54.2	368	17.5	43
TROWBRIDGE, South	20	131-236	55.5	84-132	63.6	345	17.3	35
LANDINI, Churchill	20	151-211	71.5	40-51	78.4	342	17.1	30
AGARDY, Ply Salem	24	151-344	43.6	72-142	50.7	386	16.1	29
KROLMAN, John Glenn	22	142-308	46.1	65-89	73.0	349	15.9	28
BRAUN, Churchill	22	151-208	72.6	45-85	52.9	347	15.8	26
THOMPSON, St. Agatha	20	129-290	44.5	49-80	61.2	307	15.4	29
KALUZYNY, John Glenn	22	129-214	60.2	75-121	61.9	312	14.2	28
BEADLE, Thurston	22	133-311	42.7	70-102	68.6	336	15.3	27
LACK, Ply Canton	17	88-191	46.0	66-97	68.0	242	14.2	24
REX, St. Agatha	21	123-325	38.1	44-75	58.6	294	14.0	31
KINSVATER, John Glenn	21	118-252	46.8	52-87	60.9	291	13.9	24
ELLINGHAUSEN, Salem	20	115-239	48.1	45-82	54.9	275	13.8	27
KNAPP, Franklin	22	115-268	43.0	97-124	78.2	335	15.2	25
BRITTAIN, John Glenn	22	102-208	49.0	85-107	79.4	289	13.1	23
EMERY, GC East	19	103-236	43.6	28-58	48.2	244	12.8	25

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