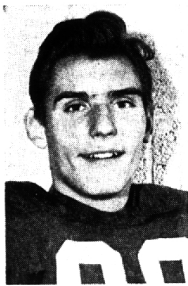
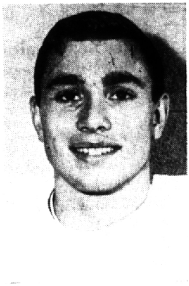


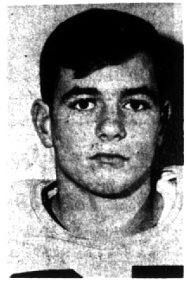
# Eccentric Announces '64 All-Area Football Team



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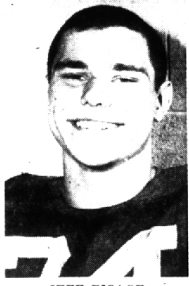
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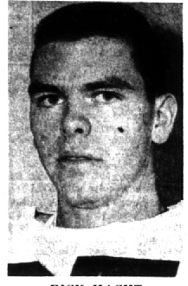
**PHIL MAXWELL**  
Cranbrook



**RICK SNYDER**  
Seaholm



**JEFF BISAGE**  
Country Day



**RICK HACHT**  
West Bloomfield



**DAN CORRIGAN**  
Brother Rice



**DAVE WOODSUM**  
Groves

## First Team Has Fast Backs, Powerful Line

By **DICK ZEMMIN**  
Sports Editor

The 1964 high school football season is history and The Eccentric has once again undertaken the near impossible task of selecting the 11 top players, in the paper's opinion, whose performances have merited a spot on the 1964 All-Area Team.

The task was even more difficult this season than last and, in all fairness, the paper has named 12 players instead of the customary 11 to the year's dream team.

Compiled from a census of the area's high school coaches and the paper's writers, The Eccentric First Team is one that the paper is proud to present as this year's top ball players.

A FAST BACKFIELD and a powerful line up front is featured on this year's squad, one that is composed of four Seaholm players, two from Groves, and one each from Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills, West Bloomfield, Brother Rice, Southfield and Country Day.

The team is composed completely of seniors. The line averages 191 pounds from end to end and possesses good speed and aggressiveness to go along with power.

The backfield, featuring two players from Seaholm and one each from Brother Rice and Bloomfield Hills, averages 160 pounds and carries a good passer with three fast, breakaway runners.

At the ends are West Bloomfield's Rick Hacht and Southfield's Rich Smigielski. Hacht is the only player to repeat, having been selected as a junior last season.

A 6'3", 195-pound end for the

Lakers, he was a standout on defense, scoring a safety in his final game. On offense, he grabbed two scoring tosses and played excellent ball both ways. A member of the varsity club, AFS and pep club, Rick plans to major in physical education at Hillsdale or MSU.

SMIGIELSKI, a senior at Southfield, provided much of the scoring

punch for the Jays. He was the favorite target of Southfield passers and did most of the Jays' booting, besides being a stalwart on defense.

Three players were selected at tackle. Country Day's Jeff Bisage, Seaholm's Mike Garza and Groves' Dave Woodsom each carried berths.

Bisage was the Most Valuable Player for the Yellow Jackets this

season. A senior and member of the varsity club, he played both ways, serving as a linebacker on defense and as a tackle on offense. Game after game, he stood out as the top lineman in The Eccentric's area. He plans to attend Albion College and study education.

Garza is the biggest man on the squad, tipping the scales at 225. He used his weight well for Seaholm, sparking the Maple defense and plugging holes. Vice president of the varsity club, he would like to study business in college.

Woodsom was one of Groves' best linemen. Playing both ways at tackle, he helped brighten an otherwise dismal season. A senior, he plans to attend U-M and take up dentistry. He is vice president of the varsity club.

PHIL MAXWELL, nicknamed "Flip" at Cranbrook, holds down a guard position. A 175-pound senior, Maxwell was a guard on offense and played end on defense. He put on a continuous rush on opposing quarterbacks and punters and served as a co-captain for the Cranes. He is president of the varsity club and business manager of the school paper. He would like to study business at Stanford.

Seaholm's Rick Snyder was, perhaps, the most aggressive lineman during the year. He excelled as a linebacker on defense and as a guard on offense, serving Carl Lemle in the same capacity the year before. A vicious tackler with surprising speed, Snyder belongs to the varsity club and wants to take up business at U-M.

Kirk Olson of Groves was selected at center due to his steady and dependable play, both on offense and as a guard on defense. A fine student, he carries a 3.5 average and plans to study engineering at Michigan. He is treasurer of the varsity club.

In the backfield, Dick Swaney of Seaholm received the nomination at quarterback. Probably the most dependable player on the squad, Swaney started for two years and enjoyed his best season in 1964. A fine passer and excellent ball handler, he also excelled on defense. A member of the varsity club, the National Honor Society, Gleezone, student congress and The Eccentric's Teen Consultant, he plans to study business at Michigan.

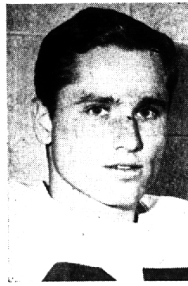


**BILL BARNES**  
Bloomfield Hills

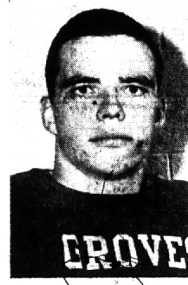
**LIT Opens Year**  
Lawrence Tech will open its basketball season Wednesday against Detroit Tech in the Levey Junior High School gym, on Nine Mile just west of Telegraph in Southfield.

**Seaholm-Groves Basketball Game Preview on 4-E**

**BROTHER RICES** Dan Corrigan  
(See LINE, 2-E)



**JOHN KINGSCOTT**  
Seaholm



**KIRK OLSON**  
Groves



**MIKE GARZA**  
Seaholm

## Seniors Dominate 2nd Area Squad

The Eccentric's Second Team is, like the First, comprised of 12 fine ball players, since in the opinion of the paper, it was impossible to select only 11 prospects. But, unlike the first, the squad has a much heavier backfield, averaging 181 pounds, and a line that averages 182 pounds. Both possess an abundance of talent.

The paper selected three ends since each member of the trio turned in performances during the year that were worthy of a Second Team berth.

SEAHOLM'S BIG, 200-pound Rolfe Starr was picked as one. The senior competitor continually harassed opposing backs and proved a difficult customer to move on end runs.

Dave Robillard, Bloomfield Hills' fine junior end, the only junior to achieve a spot on either team, displayed excellent offensive abilities for the Barons this season.

Cranbrook's captain and senior end, Buzz Mieras, nailed down the third end position. He played both ways for the Cranes.

Groves and Seaholm shared the tackle spots. Falcon Rick Balgenorth, a 195-pound senior, and Maple Dick Rozek, a 205-pound senior, were named to the team. Balgenorth also played in a line-backing role, while Rozek received SMA honorable mention.

At the guards are Hal Morse of Groves and Southfield's Skip Fournier. Morse, only 160 pounds more than made up for it on offense, opening timely holes for the Falcons. Fournier proved one of the best days up front, receiving SMA honorable mention.

CENTER FRANK Bairdi of Brother Rice played every minute of every game, going both ways for Joe Paszczik's squad. His line play stood out all year long for the Warriors.

In the backfield, Cranbrook's Tom Van Horn nailed down the quarterback spot with his fine passing and ball handling. Fullback Tom Marsh of Seaholm was a key factor in the Maples' play throughout the year. The 215-pounder was Carl Lemle's bread and butter man.

Hatch Bruce Ferguson of West Bloomfield and Jim Marks of Country Day provide the Second Team with two shifty backs with good speed and supply power.

Ferguson was a Wayne-Oakland League selection and Marks was the top offensive threat for Country Day for the past two years, leading the Yellow Jackets in rushing and points scored.

## Honorable Mention

The Eccentric recognizes that many fine high school players performed for the eight teams within the paper's circulation area.

Since it was impossible to place all of them on the first and second teams, The Eccentric has selected a list of players from each school who, in the paper's opinion, are worthy of honorable mention. Listed by schools, they are:

SEAHOLM — Jim Christensen, Buzz Downey, Jim Schmitt, Howard Rubin, Zig Barn.

GROVES — Rick Bowen, Dave Raup, Tom McKennie, Doug Jardine.

Bloomfield Hills—Hugh Carney, Ken Davies, Bruce Truxer, Bryan Truxer.

Cranbrook — Bob Foster, Dave Craig, Sid Barthwell, Mike Stern.

Brother Rice — James Chenet, John Springer, Paul Lutz, Lee Hart.

West Bloomfield—Jay Williams, Owen Heppinstall, Rick Bays, Jim Shoats.

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## Kingscott, Bisage Top Prep Stars

As in the past, The Eccentric once again selected, from the All-Area First Team, a lineman and a back that the paper recognized as making outstanding contributions to their teams throughout the season.

This year, the paper chose John Kingscott of Seaholm and Jeff Bisage of Country Day as Back and Lineman of the Year, respectively. Each player turned in fine performances every game of the season.

Kingscott, a six-foot, 180-pounder, was the Maples' top ball carrier during the 1964 year. He totaled over 600 yards on the ground in his senior year and displayed fine breakaway speed and deception.

A powerful runner, Kingscott scored two touchdowns in the opening game against Groves and had his finest year at Seaholm, capping it by scoring in the final game with Madison Heights.

Bisage, a 5'10", 180-pound senior at Country Day, was the mainstay at the Yellow Jacket defense in a 5-3 winning season.

A smart and quick linebacker, he captained the team by going both ways, playing offensive tackle when Country Day had the ball.

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**LARRY MASTELLAR**  
Country Day Coach

## Mastellar 'Coach of Year'

Detroit Country Day had its most successful football season in years as the Yellow Jackets compiled a 5-3 record behind the first-year coaching of Larry Mastellar.

Because of this fine performance, The Eccentric salutes Mastellar as area Coach of the Year.

Mastellar, 27, took over as head coach when he came to Country Day this season, fresh from a 9-0 record at Constantine High School. His coaching brought the Yellow Jackets their first 6-3 year since 1933.

With only eight lettermen returning, Mastellar formed an effective offense and a defense centered around All-Area linebacker Jeff Bisage that yielded yardage grudgingly.

Mastellar received his BA degree from Albion College in 1959 and then his MA from the University of Illinois in physical education. He teaches science at Country Day, as well as 8th grade basketball and varsity track. He and his wife, Debbie, have an 11-month-old son, Tad.

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