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OXNARD'S DAVID LAWYER PICKED TOP C.I.F.

"AAA" DIVISION BASKETBALL PLAYER FOR 1964

FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 24th and Wednesday a.m.

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All-Southern California Board of Basketball, composed of sports journalists from throughout Southern California, cast a unanimous ballot for Oxnard High School's David Lawyer as C.I.F. "AAA" Division basketball Player of the Year at the 27th annual meeting of this group at Helms Hall last week. Lawyer, star senior forward on coach Bill Gragg's Channel League champions, led his Yellowjacket teammates to the semi-finals of the playoffs in 1964. Oxnard dropped its semi-final engagement to Pius X, 75-59, and a subsequent consolation tiff with Pasadena, 67-60, but so impressive was Lawyer that he was acclaimed "Player of the Tournament". In five playoff battles — beating Magnolia 91-77, Mark Keppel 89-74, North Torrance 67-61, and losing to Pius and Pasadena — Lawyer scored 146 points, 39 against Pasadena, for a phenomenal 29.2 average.

A top student, Lawyer is student body president at Oxnard and has already been accepted at Stanford University. He was league scoring champion and unanimous player of the year within his league. In 29 games this season, Lawyer accounted for 637 points and an even 22 point average.

"AAA" Division C.I.F. Champion Long Beach Poly — with playoff wins over Garden Grove 80-53, Western 52-39, Ventura 81-79, Pasadena 65-62 and Pius X 60-58 — was the only school to place more than one player on the three-team All-C.I.F. selections. Center Mel Reed on the first team and guard Billy Richard on the second were the champion Jackrabbits selected. Poly's '64 record was a fabulous 32-1.

This year's 30-man team is composed entirely of seniors, with the exception of first-team forward Lynn Shackelford of Burroughs High in Burbank, who is a junior. The second highest scorer in CIF Southern Section play this year, Lynn scored 675 points in 28 games for a 24.1 average. He and Crescenta Valley's Gene Sutherland, first-team guard pick, were co-players of the year in the Foothill Loop.

Other forwards to be named to the first team, a squad which stacks up as one of the most powerful ever assembled in the southland, were Pius High's Jim LaCour and San Bernardino's Ernest Powell. Powell, with 639 points in 26 games, accounted for the top average among members of the first ten, notching 24.6 points per contest.

Joe Chrisman of Ventura was named at the other center post along with Poly's Mel Reed. Ventura gave Poly all it wanted in the quarter-finals of the CIF playoffs, before going down by two points, 81-79. Chrisman was high for that game with 34 points, topping Mel Reed by eight.

Four outstanding guards received top backing by the Helms Board for 1964 team honors. Gene Sutherland, Crescenta Valley star whose brothers Darrell (1959 Player of Year) and Gary (1962 first team) were All-CIF selections, averaged close to 19 points per contest in '64. Nyal Leslie, reputed to be Orange High School's all-time best basketeer, matched Sutherland's average, while playing in three more ball games (28). Doug Westlake led Pomona High to the Montview League title while compiling an average of 19 points in 26 encounters. The Red Devils got to the second round of the playoffs before losing to Dominguez 76-62. Michael Maggard, who led Norwalk to the San Gabriel Valley League crown, rounds out the guard selections. Mike was among those who scored over the 600-point mark. Tall for the conventional guard spot at 6'5", Maggard was used extensively to bring the ball down court in pressing situations.

Other top players selected from league champion teams were Pasadena High's fine center Jim Marsh, 6'6" and 200 pounds, who led the foothill League runners-up to third place in the CIF playoffs, 67-60 over Ventura; Neville Saner, also named to a second team center post from Bay League co-champion Mira Costa High, at 6'7" and 200 pounds, might well be the top rebounding center in the southland; Harry Jenkins, Redondo High guard, who led the Sea Hawks to a piece of the Bay Loop crown; Compton's Harvey Dillon, tops on the Coast League Champion team; Center-forward Alan Lepper, top player in Sky League action, from North Torrance High's league champion team; Gene Rodgers, Pacific League Player of the Year, notched a second team forward berth after a great year leading Mark Keppel to the Pacific League crown.

Other league champion teams to place players on this year's all-star teams were Western High, Sunset League champs, with forward Julio Mendez; Foothill Loop winners Glendale, with senior guard Bill Paulsen; Citrus Belt League co-champion Redlands, with center Tom McCutcheon; and Sierra League kingpin Edgewood, with guard Mike Reed.

All players named for All-Star C.I.F. Team honors will be recipients of framed scroll awards at the 27th annual Basketball Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 4, at 10:30 a.m. Coaches and players, along with noted personalities from the field of basketball, will be on hand to take part in the festivities.

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1964 ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "AAA" DIVISION BASKETBALL TEAMS FOR 1964

POS.	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	POINTS	AVG.
F.	LYNN SHACKELFORD	BURROUGHS, BURBANK...	6-4	185	Jr.	675-28	24.1
F.	*JIM LaCOUR.....	PIUS X, DOWNEY.....	6-6	185	Sr.	447-24	18.7
F.	DAVID LAWYER....	OXNARD.....	6-2	160	Sr.	637-29	22.0
F.	ERNEST POWELL...	SAN BERNARDINO.....	6-4	190	Sr.	639-26	24.6
C.**	MEL REED.....	POLY, LONG BEACH.....	6-6	190	Sr.	577-33	17.8
C.	JOE CHRISMAN....	VENTURA.....	6-3	180	Sr.	604-27	22.4
G.	GENE SUTHERLAND.	CRESCENTA VALLEY.....	6-1	165	Sr.	469-25	18.8
G.	NYAL LESLIE.....	ORANGE.....	5-11	175	Sr.	520-28	18.6
G.	MICHAEL MYGGARD.	NORWALK.....	6-6	180	Sr.	633-27	23.4
G.	DOUG WESTLAKE...	POMONA.....	6-1	165	Sr.	498-26	19.2

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F.	PAT CANFIELD....	SANTA BARBARA.....	6-4	170	Sr.	457-22	20.1
F.	HERB HARGATE....	DOMINGUEZ.....	6-3	170	Sr.	530-28	18.9
F.	ALAN LEPPER.....	NORTH TORRANCE.....	6-5	200	Sr.	443-26	17.0
F.	GENE RODGERS....	MARK KEPPEL.....	6-5	205	Sr.	362-20	18.1
G.	JIM MARSH.....	PASADENA.....	6-6	205	Sr.	520-29	17.9
G.	NEVILLE SANER...	MIRA COSTA.....	6-7	200	Sr.	422-27	15.6
G.	BILL JOHNSTON...	MILLIKAN, LONG BEACH..	6-3	160	Sr.	469-25	18.7
G.	HARVEY DILLON...	COMPTON.....	6-0	160	Sr.	402-20	20.1
G.	BILLY RICHARD...	POLY, LONG BEACH.....	5-10	140	Sr.	415-33	12.6
G.	HARRY JENKINS...	REDONDO.....	5-10	170	Sr.	468-24	19.5

T H I R D T E A M

F.	STEVE EBEY.....	ALHAMBRA.....	6-3	190	Sr.	601-26	23.1
F.	DON DENSON.....	SOUTH TORRANCE.....	6-4	175	Sr.	475-20	23.7
F.	KENNETH EALY....	BOLSA GRANDE, G.GROVE.	6-2	165	Sr.	533-24	22.2
F.	JULIO MENDEZ....	WESTERN, ANAHEIM....	6-0	176	Sr.	335-25	13.4
C.	TOM McCUTCHEON..	REDLANDS.....	6-4	200	Sr.	494-26	19.0
C.	JOHN HILES.....	LEUZINGER.....	6-6	210	Sr.	482-24	20.1
G.	BILL PAULSEN....	GLENDALE.....	5-8	155	Sr.	351-27	13.0
G.	JOHN LUNDQUIST..	CHAFFEY.....	6-0	175	Sr.	245-14	17.4
G.	MIKE REED.....	EDGEWOOD, W. COVINA...	5-10	155	Sr.	423-24	17.6
G.	*RICHARD WASSER..	MONTEBELLO.....	5-8	145	Sr.	435-19	22.8

* 2nd Team '63 ** 3rd Team '63

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The following players have been selected for Helms Board Player of the Year honors since 1938:

YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L
1938	Stuart Lewis.....	Whittier	1952	George Selleck...	Compton
1939	Bob Howard.....	Poly, L.B.	1953	Bill Bond.....	St. Anthony
1940	Ed Gillean.....	Poly, L.B.	1954	Larry Hauser....	Mt. Carmel
1941	Horace Brightman..	Wilson, L.B.	1955	Fred Crabtree....	Covina
1942	Irving Noren.....	Pasadena	1956	Jerry Pimm.....	Montebello
1943	Alan Grimley.....	Glendale		Jim Hanna.....	Poly, L.B.
	Bob Hobbs.....	Orange	1957	George Van Vliet..	Whittier
1944	Robert Robbins...	Poly, L.B.		Alvin Claiborne..	Mt. Carmel
1945	Richard Barnes...	Hoover, S.D.	1958	John Rudometkin..	Santa Maria
1946	Hugh Stewart.....	So. Pasadena	1959	Darrell Sutherland	Glendale
1947	Houston Faulkner..	Anaheim	1960	Thomas Dose.....	Glendale
1948	Bob Johnson.....	Whittier	1961	Fred Goss.....	Compton
1949	Wayne Kopren....	Whittier	1962	Douglas Bolcom...	Arcadia
1950	Mark Costello....	El Monte	1963	Loy Peterson.....	Anaheim
1951	Ronald Bane.....	Alhambra	1964	David Lawyer.....	Oxnard

W.J. VOIT COMPANY TO PRESENT BASKETBALLS TO HONORED PLAYERS

The W.J. Voit Rubber Company of Los Angeles will again present GIF All-Star Team players with miniature basketballs at the 27th annual Basketball Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall, Saturday April 4 at 10:30 a.m. Players and coaches, along with noted personalities from the field of basketball, will be invited to attend.

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JERRY SHARMAN (CHARTER OAK) & ANDY HERRERA (SANTA CLARA) TOP CIF DIVISION TEAMS IN '64

FOR RELEASE: THURSDAY, MARCH 26 and after

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Two of Southern California's finest small school basketball players, Jerry Sharman of Charter Oak High School and Andrew Herrera of Santa Clara High in Oxnard, were acclaimed "AA" and "A" Division C.I.F. Basketball Players of the Year respectively when members of the Helms Hall Board of selection met at Helms Hall last week to make their 27th annual round ball all-star team selections.

Coach Lee Powers speaks in glowing adjectives about his senior guard Jerry Sharman, son of the all-time great USC Trojan and Boston Celtics star who now coaches at L.A. State College. "I feel there is no better shooter in prep basketball. He has offensive moves that few can equal", is the manner in which coach Powers sums up Sharman's ability. Second in the Rio Hondo League to champ South Pasadena, Charter Oak went to the second round of the playoffs before dropping a stitch to Chino, playoff finalist, 78-62. Sharman scored 705 points in 27 games for a 26.1 average, the highest in C.I.F. Southern Section action this season.

Andy Herrera, now finds himself on the small school's team for the second year. As a senior guard he has performed for Lou Cvijanovich over the past three years, a period which has seen Santa Clara stretch its record to 70 straight Tri-Valley League wins and five of six CIF Division CIF Football crown in 1963 and was named co-Player of the Year for his fine play, scored 581 points in 25 games this season for a 23.2 average. He scored 113 in four games for a 28.2 average in the playoffs, which saw Santa Clara defeat Bishop (64-40), Flintridge (92-66), Chadwick (71-53) and Alta Loma in the finale (71-46).

Both Sharman and Herrera will be honored, along with those boys named for "AA" and "A" team honors, at the 27th annual All-Southern California Board of Basketball awards program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, April 4, at 10:30 a.m. Both boys will be recipients of "Player of the Year" medal awards, plus framed scrolls noting their outstanding achievement of 1964.

Lasuen, winner of the "AA" Division title with wins over El Segundo (61-60), Righetti (65-55), Santa Paula (63-54), Victor Valley (55-45) and Chino in the finals (44-41) placed forward Dominic Healy on the first team. Runner-up Chino landed center Durel Carpenter on the No. 1 squad. Righetti High of Santa Maria, was the only school to place more than one performer on the "AA" teams. Forward Ken Heitz was picked on the first team, while guard Stalley Kitagawa was placed on the second team. Kitagawa was on the third team in 1963, when three teams were picked composed of both "AA" and "A" players.

Repeaters on the "AA" Division teams include Bruce Nelson of Palmdale. A fine scorer, Bruce averaged over 20 points for the second straight year and repeats on the first team. Art Wilmore of Atascadero was a second team pick in 1963, while Kitagawa and Bell Gardens Karl Weide were third team picks one year ago.

Lou Cvijanovich's Santa Clara Saints, perennial "A" Division kingpins, placed three players on the all-star team, while Chadwick, Prep League champs landed two representatives. Herrera and center Jerry Tracy were named to the number one club, while junior guard Mike O'Brien, made the second team for the Saints. Chadwick is represented by Gary Horkey, center, and guard Dennis Shafer, both on the first team.

Repeaters on the "A" Division club are Herrera and Jim Wilsak. the latter from Bellarmine-Jefferson in Burbank was a second-team pick in 1963.

Three juniors dot the "A" Division team, Andy Arner of Alta Loma, Gil Voci of Avalon and Mike O'Brien of Santa Clara. "AA" juniors are Ken Heitz of Righetti and Bill Halligan of Servite (Anaheim) on the first team and Bob Jones, Victor Valley, Tom Keller, Mater Dei, and Angel Torres of Santa Paula on the second squad.

This marks the 27th year that All-Southern California Board of Basketball has been sponsored by Helms Athletic Foundation. Medals and scrolls are awarded to all players named for C.I.F. All-Star team honors, with championship coaches also coming in for special awards.

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1964 ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "AA" DIVISION BASKETBALL TEAMS -- 1964

POS.	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	POINTS	AVG.
F.	DOMINIC HEALEY...	LASUEN, SAN PEDRO...	6-5	205	Sr.	402-29	13.9
F.	KEN HEITZ.....	RIGHETTI, S, BARBARA.	6-3	160	Jr.	511-23	22.2
F.	DENNIS HARE.....	YUCAIPA.....	6-3	175	Sr.	516-25	20.6
F.	BILL HALLIGAN....	SERVITE, ANAHEIM....	6-3	175	Jr.	413-26	15.9
G.	DUREL CARPENTER..	CHINO.....	6-5	195	Sr.	483-26	17.3
C.	@KARL WEIDE.....	BELL GARDENS.....	6-5	185	Sr.	500-23	24.0
G.	JERRY SHARMAN....	CHARTER OAK, COVINA.	6-2	175	Sr.	705-27	26.1
G.	*ART WILMORE.....	ATASCADERO.....	6-1	165	Sr.	402-25	16.2
G.	*BRUCE NELSON....	PALMDALE.....	6-1	165	Sr.	606-26	23.3
G.	DENNIS POLOSKY... LA SALLE, PASADENA..	5-11	160	Sr.	421-24	17.5	

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F.	GARY DINNELL.....	AVIATION, REDONDO...	6-1	170	Sr.	143-10	14.3
F.	JIM HALBOUR.....	PATER NOSTER, L.A...	6-4	190	Sr.	446-24	18.6
F.	BOB JONES.....	VICTOR VALLEY.....	6-4	170	Jr.	304-22	13.8
F.	TOM KELLER.....	MATER DEI, SANTA ANA	6-5	200	Jr.	412-27	15.7
C.	STEVE WRIGHT....	EL SEGUNDO.....	6-0	180	Sr.	389-21	18.5
C.	ROLLIE FINGERS...	UPLAND.....	6-4	180	Sr.	371-25	14.8
G.	ANGEL TORRES.....	SANTA PAULA.....	6-0	170	Jr.	346-23	15.0
G.	TOM HUTTON.....	SOUTH PASADENA.....	5-11	170	Sr.	509-24	21.2
G.	@STALLEY KITAGAWA.	RIGHETTI, S. BARBARA.	5-6	125	Sr.	305-24	12.7
G.	RON HOLMAN.....	ST. FRANCIS, LA CANADA.	6-1	190	Sr.	414-23	18.0

* 1st Team '63 ** 2nd Team '63 @ 3rd Team '63

1964 ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA "A" DIVISION BASKETBALL TEAM -- 1964

POS.	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	POINTS	AVG.
F.	ANDY ARNER.....	ALTA LOMA.....	6-3	155	Jr.	502-21	23.9
F.	DENNIS HENDERSON	WHITTIER CHRISTIAN...	6-4	190	Sr.	271-12	22.6
P.	STEVE WISEMAN...	HEMET.....	5-11	175	Sr.	328-21	15.6
F.	KEN DUNCAN.....	CARPINTERIA.....	6-2	175	Sr.	461-26	17.7
C.	GARY HORKEY.....	CHADWICK, ROLL.HILLS.	6-7	205	Sr.	385-18	21.4
C.	JERRY TRACY.....	SANTA CLARA, OXNARD..	6-3	175	Sr.	391-26	15.0
G.	*ANDY HERRERA....	SANTA CLARA, OXNARD..	5-9	175	Sr.	581-25	23.2
G.	DENNIS SHAFER...	CHADWICK, ROLL.HILLS.	6-0	160	Sr.	260-18	14.5
G.	JEFF SPENCER....	AQUINAS, S.BERNARDINO.	6-1	180	Sr.	410-25	16.4
G.	GIL VOZI.....	AVALON.....	5-7	135	Jr.	348-12	29.0

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F.	JOHN SMITH.....	OWENS VALLEY.....	6-4	180	Sr.	404-17	23.8
F.	**JIM WILSAK.....	BELL-JEFF, BURBANK..	6-2	160	Sr.	382-23	16.6
F.	RICK MENDOZA....	GARCIA DIEGO, S.BARB..	6-1	160	Sr.	303-22	13.8
F.	JIM PATTERSON...	MOORPARK.....	6-2	175	Sr.	355-20	17.7
G.	JOHN MADISON....	NEEDLES.....	6-1	150	Sr.	443-19	23.1
C.	LUC WILLEMS.....	ST. JOHN BOSCO, BELFDR	6-6	190	Sr.	319-23	14.0
G.	BRIAN KILPATRICK	RIM OF THE WORLD....	6-1	175	Sr.	503-21	23.9
G.	JACK BELLS.....	PERRIS.....	6-1	170	Sr.	489-23	21.2
G.	MIKE O'BRIEN....	SANTA CLARA, OXNARD..	6-2	175	Jr.	258-27	9.5
G.	SCOTTY McOWEN...	SAN JACINTO.....	6-3	185	Sr.	464-24	19.3

* 1st Team '63 ** 3rd Team '63

ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA C.I.F. "AA-A" DIVISION PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	YEAR	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L
1952	Don Carter.....	Tustin	1959	Bob Sommers...	San Marino
	Bill Dennis.....	Citrus	1960	Steve Miller..	Santa Clara
1953	Glyde Cook.....	Laguna Beach	1961	Bob Bedell....	Bell Gardens
1954	Mike Gray.....	Claremont	1962	Bob Bedell....	Bell Gardens
1955	John Arrillaga..	Morningside	1963	Bob Henderson.	Laguna Beach
1956	Charles Jordan..	Palm Springs		Ramon Sanchez.	Calxico
1957	Bill Kilmer.....	Citrus	1964	Jerry Sharman.	Charter Oak
1958	Terry Hermann...	Orange		Andy Herrera..	Santa Clara

VOIT RUBBER COMPANY TO AGAIN PRESENT BASKETBALLS TO HONORED PLAYERS

The W.J. Voit Rubber Company of Los Angeles, as it has so kindly done over the past 16 years, will present special Voit basketballs to the All-Southern California Basketball Team members named to the 1964 honor teams. Mel Barton and Loyd Tutor of the Voit Company will be on hand at Helms Hall, Saturday morning, April 4 at 10:30 a.m., time of the 27th Annual Awards Program, to make presentation of the balls.

Helms Board members who make the annual selections are Cliff G..., Claude Anderson, Eddie West, Jerry Weiner, John Strey, Phil Pat..., Floyd Schneidermann, Dick White, Wayne Wilson, Jeff Prugh, Garland Rose, Gayle Palmer, Mannie Pineda, Nat Wess, Ron McGrath, Doug Ives, Chuck Thomas, Al Ames and Ralph Alexander. These Board members represent newspapers throughout Southern California and each season take of their time and effort to make these selections in the interest of the youth of the Southland.

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HELMS HALL, 8766 VENICE BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES 34, CALIFORNIA
WALTER SIMON, TOP CITY SCORER FROM ROOSEVELT, NAMED L.A. CITY BASKETBALL'S BEST '64

FOR RELEASE: SATURDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 15 and Sunday a.m.
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Walter Simon, guard on last year's All-Los Angeles City second team, hit the jackpot in 1964, being acclaimed "Player of the Year" when members of the Helms Board of selection met to name the top basketball players in high school play for 1964. Simon, who led all city scorers with a 30.1 point average, as Roosevelt High won the Eastern League title, wound up the "Most Valuable Player" in the recently concluded All-City Tournament. Roosevelt lost to Granada Hills in the finals, 71-68, but Simon was high point man for the game with 32 points and finished the four-game tourney with 94 points and a big 23.5 average to lead all players.

Simon was a unanimous choice as Los Angeles' slickest player for 1964 and it marked the first time a Roosevelt player has been selected for this honor since 1938, the year All-Southern California Board of Athletics was organized by Helms Athletic Foundation. The Roosevelt player to be named at that time was John Mandic.

In leading Roosevelt High to the city finals, Walt Simon accounted for 94 points and added to his 301 in 10 league encounters, swelled his total in "official" action to 395 points. For 14 games, this figures to a 28.2 point average, classy in any league.

For having been named the outstanding performer in Los Angeles High School Basketball for 1964, Walt Simon will be recipient of the Helms medal award and will have his name engraved upon the Paul H. Helms perpetual trophy, permanently lodged in Helms Hall. The 27th annual Los Angeles City Awards Program will be held later this month at a site to be announced.

It was Granada Hills which captured the most spots on this year's All-City Team. The title-winning Granada Five -- the first title for this team in basketball -- placed Vern Sorenson, West-Valley League "Player of the Year", on the first team and forwards Gary Kitch and Randy Strnad on the third squad. Granada Hills was undefeated in 12 league games and then ran through four tourney tiffs -- over Lincoln (89-57), University (67-65), Taft (60-49) and Roosevelt (71-68) -- on its way to the 1964 championship.

Jordan High, the only other team to go through its league schedule undefeated (10-), was the only team other than Granada Hills to place more than one performer on the three teams. Art Harris, Marine League "Player of the Year" was a first-team pick, while Willie Wilson nabbed a third-team guard post.

Twelve Los Angeles High Schools are represented on this year's city team. Other league "Players of the Year" to be acclaimed on the '64 honor squads are LA's Steve Jennings (Southern), Donald Saffer of Westchester (Western), and Simon (Eastern) on the first team; with Ron Selim of Monroe (East-Valley) and Charles Thomas of Belmont (Northern) being picked for second-team honors.

Two players named to the 1964 first team were named on last year's city squad. Roosevelt's Walt Simon was a second team pick in 1963, while Don Saffer was on the third. For the first time since 1954, all members of the three city teams are seniors.

League Champions in city basketball for 1964 were as follows:
Eastern: Roosevelt (9-1) Marine: Jordan (10-0) Northern: Belmont (9-1)
Southern: Jeff-Dorsey (8-2) East-Valley: Grant-Poly (10-2) West-Valley: Granada Hills (12-0) and Western: University-Westchester (10-2).

LA Lakers To Host Players For Awards At Sports Arena On March 4 During Hawks Game

Members of this year's All-City Basketball Team will be presented their awards at the Lakers-St. Louis Hawks game in the Sports Arena on the evening of Wednesday, March 4. Guy Wrinkle, Commissioner of Athletics for the city schools, along with members of the Policy Determining Committee and Bill Schroeder and Braven Dyer, Jr. of Helms Hall will take part in the presentations. Honored players' coaches will also be honored guests. Voit Rubber Company of Los Angeles will make special basketball awards to the players, as it has done for the past

ALL-LOS ANGELES CITY BASKETBALL TEAM SELECTIONS FOR 1964 SEASON ...

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POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	LEAGUE AVERAGE
Forward	STEVE JENNINGS...	LOS ANGELES.....	6'	160	Sr.	19.0
Forward	ARTHUR HARRIS....	JORDAN.....	6'3	180	Sr.	23.1
Center	*WALTER SIMON.....	ROOSEVELT.....	6'2	170	Sr.	30.1
Guard	**DONALD SAFFER....	WESTCHESTER.....	6'1	170	Sr.	26.1
Guard	VERN SORENSON....	GRANADA HILLS....	5'11	160	Sr.	12.4

* Named to '63 2nd Team ** Named to '63 3rd Team

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Forward	MORRY LANGER.....	FAIRFAX.....	5'10	165	Sr.	20.9
Forward	RON SELIM.....	MONROE.....	6'5	180	Sr.	16.3
Center	CHARLES OAKES....	SOUTH GATE.....	6'3	205	Sr.	19.2
Guard	KEN PATTON.....	TAFT.....	6'3	170	Sr.	10.5
Guard	CHARLES THOMAS...	BELMONT.....	6'4	180	Sr.	19.6

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Forward	GARY KITCH.....	GRANADA HILLS....	6'1	170	Sr.	18.4
Forward	RANDY STRNAD.....	GRANADA HILLS....	6'1	175	Sr.	15.2
Center	ROBERT STEPHENS..	BANNING.....	6'1	160	Sr.	14.0
Guard	HAROLD STURGIS...	JEFFERSON.....	6'3	165	Sr.	15.4
Guard	WILLIE WILSON....	JORDAN.....	5'10	154	Sr.	10.7

Those players who were named "Player of the Year" within their respective leagues for 1964 follow:

P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	L E A G U E	COACH	AVG.
STEVE JENNINGS	LOS ANGELES....	SOUTHERN.....	HENRY POLLARD..	19.0
ARTHUR HARRIS.	JORDAN.....	MARINE.....	JOHN RANDOLPH..	23.1
WALTER SIMON..	ROOSEVELT.....	EASTERN.....	BLAINE CROWTHER	30.1
DONALD SAFFER.	WESTCHESTER....	WESTERN.....	JIM WHITE.....	26.1
VERN SORENSON.	GRANADA HILLS..	WEST-VALLEY..	AL STONE.....	12.4
RON SELIM.....	MONROE.....	EAST-VALLEY..	BILL RANKIN....	16.3
CHARLES THOMAS	BELMONT.....	NORTHERN.....	TOM ARIMA.....	19.6

All-league "Players of the Year", together with those players named for All-Los Angeles City Basketball Team honors for 1964 will receive special framed scroll awards from All-Southern California Board of Basketball. Players along with their coaches will be honored at a special program to be announced within the near future. Coach Al Stone of Granada Hills will be the recipient of a special silver tumbler award recognizing him for his outstanding coaching achievement of a first city basketball title for Granada Hills.

It has been a long time -- 26 years to be exact -- that a player from Roosevelt High School has been named for "Player of the Year" honors. Back in 1938, the initial year of the Helms Board's existence, John Mandic was selected as the city's top performer in basketball.

LOS ANGELES CITY BASKETBALL PLAYERS OF YEAR

1938	John Mandic.....	Roosevelt	1953	James Kaufman....	Los Angeles
1939	Dick Lindsley.....	Eagle Rock	1954	Lee Harmon.....	University
1940	Dick Frey.....	Banning	1955	Don Pino.....	University
1941	Gilbert Turnbull...	Hamilton	1956	Sterling Forbes..	Jordan
1942	Derington Gartrell..	Banning	1957	Billy McGill.....	Jefferson
1943	Vic Larson.....	Washington	1958	Billy McGill.....	Jefferson
1944	Dan Ducich.....	Los Angeles		Willie Thomas....	Jefferson
1945	Bob Kloppenburg....	Marshall	1959	Henry Johnson....	Fremont
1946	Dick McFarland.....	Manual Arts		Jack Hirsch.....	Van Nuys
1947	Al Linnick.....	Fairfax	1960	Joe Caldwell.....	Fremont
1948	Dick Saner.....	Venice	1961	Gail Goodrich....	Polytechnic
1949	Chet Noe.....	Washington	1962	Tony Horton.....	University
	Don Eby.....	Washington	1963	Edgar Lacey.....	Jefferson
1950	James Powell.....	Polytechnic	1964	Walter Simon.....	Roosevelt
1951	J.C. Gipson.....	Jefferson			
1952	Willie Naulls.....	Jefferson			
	Earl Battey.....	Jordan			

Members of the press who comprise All-Los Angeles City Board of Basketball are the following:

RALPH ALEXANDER - LA Herald-Examiner	JEFF PRUGH - LA Times
GAYLE PALMER - San Pedro News-Pilot	WAYNE WILSON - The Valley News
JERRY WEINER - The Citizen News	BRAVEN DYER, JR. - Secretary
W.R. BILL SCHROEDER - Helms Hall, Chairman	

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DONALD SAFFER, WESTCHESTER HIGH, SELECTED WESTERN LOOP'S TOP BASKETBALL PLAYER IN '64

FOR RELEASE: FRIDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 14, and Saturday a.m.

Donald Saffer, Westchester High School's high-scoring guard who was runner-up in city basketball scoring for the 1964 season to Roosevelt's Walt Simon, was unanimously selected "Player of the Year" in the Western League by members of All-Los Angeles City Board of Basketball. The annual round ball selections were conducted at Helms Hall last week. Westchester wound up the league season tied with University for first place, both boasting 10-2 records.

Coach Jim White calls Saffer "the finest guard in Southern California", and the 6'1", 170-pound scoring whiz produced the statistics to back up his coach. Don managed 314 points in 12 league engagements, for a 26.1 average. He scored 25 points in Westchester's first-round city tourney loss to runner-up Roosevelt.

A first team selection last year as a junior, Saffer averaged 26.2 points per game. Bob Clem, Palisades guard, is the only other repeater from last year having been named to the second team in 1963.

Behind Westchester and University in the standings were Hamilton and Palisades tied with 7-5 marks, Venice and Fairfax tied with 4-8 and followed by Hollywood, 0-10. University got as far as the second round of the playoffs, going down before eventual champion Granada Hills, 67-65. University placed three of its stalwarts on the all-league second team.

* * * FIRST TEAM All-Western League Teams, '64

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	AVG.
Forward	ELLIOTT LEVIN	HAMILTON	6'1	148	Jr.	20.8
Forward	MORRY LANGER	FAIRFAX	5'10	165	Sr.	20.9
Center	RICHARD ROOT	WESTCHESTER	6'4	175	Sr.	17.2
Guard	*DONALD SAFFER	WESTCHESTER	6'1	170	Sr.	26.1
Guard	**BOB CLEM	PALISADES	6'3	180	Jr.	18.2

* * * SECOND TEAM

Forward	MIKE SARGENT	VENICE	6'3	185	Sr.	13.0
Forward	NICK BARR	UNIVERSITY	5'10	147	Sr.	9.0
Center	TIM GRANDI	UNIVERSITY	6'4	190	Sr.	14.3
Guard	EARL ELLIOTT	UNIVERSITY	5'11	160	Sr.	14.8
Guard	JERRY RIVLIN	FAIRFAX	5'7	140	Jr.	16.3

* 1st team in '63 ** 2nd team in '63

JORDAN HIGH'S ARTHUR HARRIS WINS PLAYER OF YEAR VOTE IN MARINE LEAGUE FOR 1964 SEASON

Arthur Harris, star of coach John Randolph's undefeated league champion Jordan High basketball team, received majority backing as Marine League "Player of the Year, as Helms Athletic Foundation's city basketball board met at Helms Hall last week to make its annual selections.

Harris, who averaged 23.1 points in 10 league games and slightly less than this in two city playoff encounters -- Jordan whipped Marshall 103-44 and then lost a one-point decision to Roosevelt 61-60 -- will therefore be recipient of the annual Helms "Player of the Year" medal award at the up-coming basketball awards program. All-league selections will receive special scroll awards, which will be presented to them by their respective coaches at school.

Two players are back off last year's team -- Jordan's Willie Wilson again named to the first team and Billy Jackson from the title-winning five again on the second squad. Due to injury, Narbonne's ace Jim Kegley played less than half the season and therefore was not selected on either team. Behind Jordan it was Banning (7-3), San Pedro (5-5), Gardena and Carson (4-6) and Narbonne (0-10).

* * * FIRST TEAM All-Marine League Teams - 1964

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	AVG.
Forward	ARTHUR HARRIS	JORDAN	6'3	180	Sr.	23.1
Forward	PAT HOLMES	CARSON	6'2	175	Sr.	18.4
Center	ROBERT STEPHENS	BANNING	6'1	160	Sr.	14.0
Guard	*WILLIE WILSON	JORDAN	5'10	154	Sr.	10.7
Guard	JOHN MORELLI	SAN PEDRO	5'11	150	Sr.	14.5

* * * SECOND TEAM

Forward	*BILLY JACKSON	JORDAN	6'4	180	Sr.	13.0
Forward	GLENN BRUN	BANNING	6'	159	Jr.	13.7
Center	FRANK FRANKLIN	JORDAN	6'5	202	Sr.	15.0
Guard	DALE MINAMI	GARDENA	5'6	130	Sr.	11.9
Guard	JOE ORTIZ	BANNING	5'7	138	Sr.	10.4

*1st team '63 **2nd team '63 * * *

BELMONT'S CHARLES THOMAS GAINS NORTHERN LEAGUE PLAYER OF YEAR ACCLAIM FOR 1964

FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 11 and Wednesday a.m.

Charles Thomas, whom Belmont coach Tom Arima calls, "an outstanding college prospect", was named the Northern League's Basketball Player of the Year for 1964 when members of All-Los Angeles City Board of Basketball met at Helms Hall to make their annual round ball selections.

Thomas compiled a flashy 19.6 point average in league play, while leading his Belmont team to the loop title. Grant defeated Belmont 56-54 in the city tourney's first round. Thomas' value to his team was not only measured in point production, but more in his ability to clear both offensive and defensive boards. Thomas wound up second in league scoring to Marshall's Vic Brickus, who averaged 20.9 points per contest.

Behind Belmont at 9-1 were Lincoln and Marshall tied at 7-3, Franklin 4-6, Eagle Rock, 3-7 and Verdugo Hills, 0-10. Both Marshall and Lincoln were soundly defeated in first round tourney play, Jordan over Marshall, 103-44 and Granada Hills whipping Lincoln, 89-57.

Franklin guard Bob Thate is the only junior on the first team, while Ben Alonzo and Bob Fletcher, second team selections, both have another year. Lincoln High's Leroy Anderson is but a sophomore. There are no repeaters from last year's teams.

*** FIRST TEAM All-Northern League Team - 1964

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	AVG.
Forward	WALTER DUBROWSKY	BELMONT.	6'2	185	Sr.	19.4
Forward	ROBERT CORLEW	LINCOLN.	6'4	160	Sr.	14.3
Center	CHARLES THOMAS	BELMONT.	6'4	180	Sr.	19.6
Guard	VIC BRICKUS	MARSHALL	5'9	135	Sr.	20.9
Guard	BOB THATE	FRANKLIN	6'	155	Jr.	18.1

*** SECOND TEAM

Forward	SCOTT GROSS	MARSHALL	6'3	176	Sr.	15.0
Forward	BEN ALONZO	BELMONT.	5'10	165	Jr.	18.0
Center	ROBERT FLETCHER	EAGLE ROCK	6'5	180	Jr.	9.4
Guard	BILL STEELE	VERDUGO HILLS. . .	5'8	145	Sr.	16.4
Guard	LEROY ANDERSON	LINCOLN.	5'6	146	Soph.	12.8

STEVE JENNINGS, L.A. HIGH BASKETBALL STAR, SELECTED TOP PERFORMER IN SOUTHERN LOOP...

Los Angeles High School's Steve Jennings, who wound up the Southern League season as second high scorer with 190 points in 10 games, was selected as the loop "Player of the Year" for the 1964 season, as members of the Helms Athletic Foundation's All-Los Angeles City Board of Basketball met at Helms Hall to make their annual selections.

Although Los Angeles High School placed only third in Southern League play -- behind Jefferson and Dorsey -- Jennings was considered among the top all-around performers in city basketball for 1964. Cary Smith, also of L.A. and one of two repeaters from last year's second team, was named along with Jennings at guard on the first squad. Dorsey's Ray Oliphant was the other all-league repeater from last year's second team.

Both Jefferson and Dorsey were eliminated in city tourney play in the first round and both by a single point. Jeff was nosed out by Taft, 56-55, while Dorsey lost out to Reseda, 52-51. In final standings, Jeff and Dorsey were 8-2, Los Angeles was 7-3, Manual Arts 5-5, Fremont 2-8 and Washington 0-10.

*** FIRST TEAM All-Southern League Team for 1964

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	AVG.
Forward	**RAY OLIPHANT	DORSEY.	6'1	160	Sr.	15.9
Forward	MICHAEL TROTTER	MANUAL ARTS	6'2	160	Sr.	20.1
Center	HAROLD STURGIS	JEFFERSON	6'3	165	Sr.	15.4
Guard	STEVE JENNINGS	LCS ANGELES	6'	160	Sr.	19.0
Guard	**CARY SMITH	LOS ANGELES	6'2	182	Sr.	16.0

*** SECOND TEAM

Forward	RON COPELAND	DORSEY.	6'4	183	Sr.	11.2
Forward	TONY HILL	DORSEY.	6'2	170	Sr.	11.9
Center	APYLES FORD	JEFFERSON	6'9	200	Sr.	16.0
Guard	JESSE ESTES	MANUAL ARTS	6'6	170	Sr.	10.7
Guard	ROBERT WHITSTONE	JEFFERSON.	6'	190	Sr.	19.3

** Named to '63 2nd team

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GRANADA HILLS' VERN SORENSON PICKED AS TOP PERFORMER IN WEST-VALLEY LEAGUE FOR 1964

FOR RELEASE: THURSDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 13 and Friday a.m.

Vern Sorenson, number one player on the city's number one team, was Los Angeles City Board of Basketball's choice as West-Valley League "Player of the Year" for the 1964 season. Granada Hills, only the second valley team to win the L.A. City Basketball Championships -- Poly won in 1961 -- grabbed off the Lion's share of the honors on the all-loop five as was to be expected.

Along with Sorenson, forwards Gary Kitch and Randy Strnad were the honored players from the league championship (12-0) team. Rounding things out for the city title five, Jim Jones and Tom Levin were selected on the second unit.

The undefeated West-Valley champions had three players among the top six loop scorers. Gary Kitch registered the league high, an 18.4 point average, while Strnad and Sorenson also averaged in double figures. All players on the West-Valley teams are seniors and there are no repeaters from last season's teams.

Showing considerable overall strength, the West Valley placed two of its teams in the semi-finals of the city tourney, Granada Hills and Taft. G.H. defeated Taft in the semi-finals and went on to whip Roosevelt, Eastern Loop kingpin, 71-68. Taft beat Banning 60-53 for third place. Reseda beat Dorsey 52-51 in first-round play and then lost to Banning, 60-40.

*** FIRST TEAM All-West-Valley League Teams - '64

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	AVG.
Forward	GARY KITCH	GRANADA HILLS.	6'1	170	Sr.	18.4
Forward	RANDY STRNAD	GRANADA HILLS.	6'1	175	Sr.	15.2
Center	KENNETH PATTON	TAFT	6'3	170	Sr.	10.5
Guard	TOM GILKEY	RESEDA	5'9	155	Sr.	17.7
Guard	VERN SORENSON	GRANADA HILLS.	5'11	160	Sr.	12.4

*** SECOND TEAM

Forward	DICK LYNN	TAFT	6'3	155	Sr.	9.1
Forward	JIM JONES	GRANADA HILLS.	6'3	175	Sr.	12.4
Center	CHRISTOPHER LEE	RESEDA	6'3	185	Sr.	14.5
Guard	BRUCE MORTON	RESEDA	5'8	155	Sr.	9.0
Guard	TOM LEVIN	GRANADA HILLS.	6'1	165	Sr.	9.7

EASTERN LEAGUE TOP PLAYER HONORS BESTOWED UPON ROOSEVELT'S STAR CENTER, WALTER SIMON

Coming as a surprise to absolutely no one, Walter Simon, Roosevelt High School's 6'2", 170-pound center, was officially recognized as Eastern League basketball player of the year for 1964. Selection was made at Helms Athletic Foundation's annual Los Angeles City Board of Basketball meeting at Helms Hall last week.

Coach Blaine Crowther's scoring machine -- Simon scored 301 points in 10 league games and added 94 in tourney play -- led Roosevelt to a championship 9-1 league season and through the city playoffs to the finals. The Simon-led Roosevelts whipped Westchester, 63-64, Jordan 61-60, and Banning 55-41, before dropping a 71-68 decision to Granada Hills in the championship game.

Roosevelt and runner-up South Gate (7-3) each placed two players on the all-league first team. Garfield's high scoring Roy Rodriguez nabbed the remaining first team berth.

Garfield and Huntington Park tied for third in the Eastern Loop race at 6-4, with Bell (2-8) and Wilson (0-10) following. Next to Simon, South Gate's Chuck Oakes managed to put the most points on the scoreboard, rustling the netting for a smart 19.2 point average.

*** FIRST TEAM All-Eastern League Teams - '64

POSITION	P L A Y E R	S C H O O L	HGHT	WGHT	YEAR	AVG.
Forward	WALTER SIMON	ROOSEVELT.	6'2	170	Sr.	30.1
Forward	JAN TAYLOR	ROOSEVELT.	5'11	166	Sr.	15.1
Center	CHARLES OAKES	SOUTH GATE	6'3	205	Sr.	19.2
Guard	LYNN COOLEY	SOUTH GATE	5'7	135	Sr.	12.7
Guard	ROY RODRIGUEZ	GARFIELD	5'11	148	Sr.	16.8

*** SECOND TEAM

Forward	DOUG NEWBY	HUNTINGTON PARK.	6'3	190	Sr.	15.0
Forward	MARCELO GARCIA	GARFIELD	5'9	150	Sr.	15.5
Center	ED WILLIAMS	ROOSEVELT.	6'1	153	Sr.	9.4
Guard	RAFAEL PALACIO	WILSON	5'11	150	Sr.	10.1
Guard	DAN SOLARES	HUNTINGTON PARK.	5'10	145	Sr.	11.9

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EAST-VALLEY LEAGUE BASKETBALL LAURELS GO TO RON SELIM OF MONROE HIGH FOR '64 SEASON

FOR RELEASE: WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 12 and Thursday a.m.

Ron Selim, who Monroe High School basketball coach Bill Rankin called "the outstanding player in our league", did not overestimate his star center's ability, as Helms All-City Board of Basketball named Selim the East-Valley League's "Player of the Year" for 1964. Selim, who wound up the season as the league's top scorer, was a near-unanimous choice for top player honors by league coaches also.

There were no repeaters on this year's East-Valley team and positions were evenly distributed. Grant and Poly finished 10-2 for league-season play to tie for the championship and both placed one player on the first team. Grant landed two berths on the second team.

The league's co-champs did not fare too well in city-tournament play, Poly going down before semi-finalist Banning, 74-63, while Grant managed to reach the second round, where she lost to Taft, another semi-finalist, 50-48. Grant bettered Belmont, Northern League Champ, 56-54, in the opening tourney round.

Finishing behind Grant and Poly at 10-2, were San Fernando and Monroe at 7-5; Sylmar at 5-7; North Hollywood with a 2-10 mark; and Van Nuys 1-11. Two Juniors were named to the 1964 teams. Center Jim Nielsen of Grant on the first team and guard Don Terpstra of Monroe will have a chance to come back for additional honors in 1965.

Members of the Helms Hall Board who make annual all-star basketball selections are: Ralph Alexander (LA Herald-Examiner), Gayle Palmer (San Pedro News-Pilot), Jeff Prugh (LA Times), Jerry Weiner (The Citizen-News) and Wayne Wilson (The Valley News).

All-League players will receive special scroll awards for having been named for 1964 basketball team honors. A special Player of the Year medal award will go to Monroe's Ronald Selim.

*** * * F I R S T T E A MAll-East Valley League Teams '64**

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>P L A Y E R</u>	<u>S C H O O L</u>	<u>HGHT</u>	<u>WGHT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AVG</u>
Forward	BILL KYKER	POLYTECHNIC. . .	6'5	185	Sr.	13.8
Forward	RON SELIM	MONROE	6'5	180	Sr.	16.3
Center	JIM NIELSEN	GRANT.	6'7	195	Jr.	14.5
Guard	BOBBY BROOKS	SAN FERNANDO . .	5'10	140	Sr.	14.1
Guard	DAVID KERBER	SYLMAR	5'11	175	Sr.	14.7

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Forward	DAVID WASHINGTON	SAN FERNANDO . .	5'11	140	Sr.	12.8
Forward	RICHARD ROSENTHAL	GRANT.	6'3	175	Sr.	13.6
Center	DAVE ALBRIGHT	GRANT.	6'2	150	Sr.	10.4
Guard	DON TERPSTRA	MONROE	5'10	144	Jr.	15.7
Guard	JIM NYBERG	NORTH HOLLYWOOD.	5'10	155	Sr.	14.5