

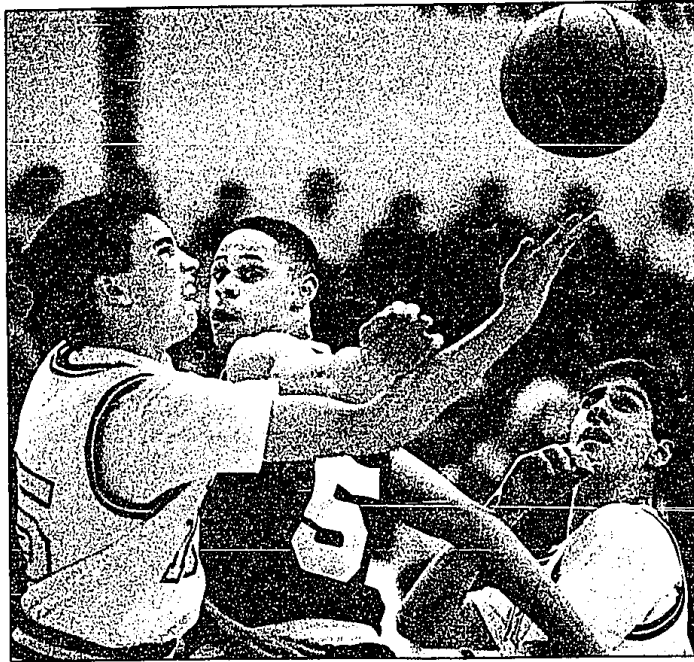
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Hawks win the easy way, 65-38



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Reach out and foul: Harrison's Calvin Pruitt twists his body to disrupt John Pennala's shot but fouls the North Farmington player on the arm.

Harrison High has come a long ways since the start of the boys basketball season. The Hawks routed North Farmington 65-38 for their latest win Tuesday.

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER



Farmington Hills' Harrison has deftly learned how to end a basketball game, judging from its Tuesday night performance.

The Hawks, who have more than their share (win or lose) of close games, didn't wait until the last minute to put away host North Farmington, turning a game expected to be close into a 65-38 rout.

Harrison, having won its last four games and five of its last six, has emerged as a Western Lakes Activities Association contender with a 5-1 record and stands 5-7 overall. North is 3-3 and 6-6.

Couch Mike Tenchman thought the Hawks would be where they are, playing as well as they are. With a lot of new varsity players, he knew it would take time for the team to develop.

"In my (preseason) letter to the parents, I said, looking at our schedule and experience, our goal was to be playing the best basketball we could in February," Tenchman said.

Harrison started 0-6 and had its share of adversity early in the season, losing a number of close games in the last quarter. The Hawks began to turn it around last month and got a big boost when they upset unbeaten Plymouth Salem last week.

"That's the way I would have mapped out the season for us," Tenchman said. "(The players) realized it was OK to lose to Oak Park

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Observer mat touney

The Second Annual Observerland Wrestling Tournament will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday at Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt Road (between Warren and Ford roads).

Farmington is the defending team champion. Fourteen other schools are entered touring including Plymouth Canton, Plymouth Salem, Farmington Harrison, North Farmington, Westland John Glenn, Wayne Memorial, Lutheran High Westland, Redford Catholic Central, Redford Thurston, Redford Union, Livonia Churchill, Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevenson and the host Cougars.

Defending individual champions include heavyweight Jason Peterson (Garden City) and 171-pounder Jason Krueger (Redford CC).

The tournament will also feature defending state champion Mike Reeves (Westland John Glenn), who suffered his only loss last season at the Observerland meet on a disqualification.

Admission is \$2 for students and \$3 for adults. For more information, call GC athletic director Bob Dropp at 421-8220.

Sportsmanship Week

The Western Lakes Activities Association has designated the week of Feb. 8-12 as Sportsmanship Week.

Each of the 12 schools that make up the league will be emphasizing the value of good sportsmanship through a variety of activities.

Daily announcements will contain quotations related to sportsmanship; letters will be sent to different groups such as cheerleaders, students, student athletes, parents and fans. Announcements will also read at athletic events, and 1,000 "Be A Sport" buttons will be distributed in each school.

It's the desire of the administration and athletic directors that all parties realize athletics are an extension of the classroom. For everyone to receive their full benefits, all parties must display good sportsmanship at athletic contests.

Lakers land all-area back in football recruiting coup

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
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Grand Valley football coach Brian Kelly received an unexpected phone call last week from Wayne Memorial coach Chuck Howton.

Howton was shopping around for a tailback Bruce Calhoun and Kelly couldn't wait to see the prospect in person.

"Kelly said he'd love to have Bruce Calhoun," Howton said.

So Calhoun, Wayne's second all-time leading rusher, made a recruiting visit late last week and decided to sign a national letter of intent to attend Grand Valley. Calhoun was one of several Observerland players who signed letters Wednesday, the first day of the signing period. See chart.

Kelly was surprised to hear from Howton because, like several Division II coaches in the state, he thought Calhoun would end up at a Division I program.

Calhoun made an official visit to Western Michigan in early January but never received a scholarship offer from the Broncos. He also scheduled visits to Bowling Green and Toledo but each visit was canceled by the coaching staffs at both schools.

"Three days before my visit to Bowling Green the recruiter called and told me they already signed two running backs and that's all they were going to sign," Calhoun said. "I was going to go to Toledo the next week but they called and said the same thing." Calhoun said he doesn't regret

WHERE THEY'RE HEADED	
Central Michigan	Jason Falcone, lb (Franklin)
Toledo	Joe Herman, lb (Redford CC)
Air Force Academy	Joe Suhajda, lineman (Redford CC)
Hillsdale	Jason Weisner, line (Franklin)
Aaron Babicz, line (Redford CC)	Keye Smith, wr (Harrison)
Saginaw Valley	Mark Satter, line (Garden City)
Grand Valley	Bruce Calhoun, rb (Wayne)
Paul Henzke, line (Redford CC)	Eric Stover, qb (Glenn/Gl. Rapids)
Ryan Johnson, te (Salem/Gl. Rapids)	
Northwood	Dan Lebus, line (Redford CC)
Brad Parkow, qb (Redford CC)	Mark Giszewski, line (Redford CC)

the way he was treated, he only wishes he scheduled earlier visits. Howton said Grand Valley "got a steal," in Calhoun, a 6-foot-1, 195-pounder who runs a 4.6 40-yard dash time. Calhoun also carries a 3.8 grade point average and scored a 20 on his ACT test.

"I've had other people sign Division I who didn't have his talent," Howton said. "He's such a hard-working person, I was appalled he was not getting a bigger rush from Division I schools. (Division I schools) are trying to hook up the best players they can early and Bruce made the mistake of putting his visits off."

Calhoun said Kelly told him there's a good chance of playing next fall at Grand Valley.

"He said he didn't even think about talking to me, that I'd be going Division I, so it's a great plus for me to go there," Calhoun said. "He's given me the opportunity and I'm going to go for it."

Grand Valley also signed a pair of former Observerland players who have played the last two years at Grand Rapids Junior College: quarterback Eric Stover (Westland John Glenn) and tight end Ryan Johnson (Plymouth Salem).

Another top running back from Observerland, North Farmington's Todd Anderson, will attend either Yale or Princeton.

Two first-team Observer players signed with Division I schools: Jason Falcone, a linebacker from Livonia Franklin who committed early to Central Michigan and Joe Suhajda, a lineman from Redford Catholic Central who is headed to the Air Force Academy.

Suhajda made a visit to West Point and said he looked down several offers to visit schools in the Big Ten.

"West Point was more beautiful and attractive but I didn't like the climate," Suhajda said. "I like the discipline and being in a controlled environment (of a military academy)."

CC linebacker Joe Herman, another first-team center, said he

See RECRUITS, 4B

Harrison girls perfect in division

Farmington Hills Harrison stayed unbeaten in Western Division volleyball Monday with a three-game sweep (9-5-11) of visiting Northville.

The Hawks are 4-0 in their half of the Western Lakes Activities Association but 4-3 in the WLLA overall. Harrison is 16-8-3 in all matches.

"It was a good game for us, we're playing well right now," Harrison coach Ron Shortt said. Senior Julie Heist had her usu-

al, all-round solid game to lead the Hawks. She had 11 kills (24 attacks), five blocks, five aces and 16 digs.

Maggie Chavez chipped in six kills, eight assists (27 sets) and two blocks, and Amanda Ault added two aces, two blocks and 10 assists (37 sets).
Farmington ranked a WLLA match to state-ranked and host Livonia Stevenson (6-5-7). The Falcons are 2-3 in the league and 7-9-5 overall.

Debbie Schroeder was 8-of-9 attacking with four kills, 6-of-7 receiving serves, 4-of-4 digging spikes and 6-of-6 passing.

Maggie Frump added two kills and was 4-of-4 passing and 5-of-6 on serve reception. Krissy Mahon did well on serve reception and was 6-of-7 passing.
(Stevenson's) Julie Martin dominated at the net. They got the ball to her and let her hit. Farmington coach Julie Ingalls said.

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