

# N. Farmington primed for district cage final

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Tom Negoshian, North Farmington's first-year basketball coach, hopes a post-game history lesson will help his team survive a big challenge in the state Class A district at Southfield.

North Farmington, with senior guard Ray Boyle scoring a career-high 28 points, eliminated Farmington, 67-54,

in district action Tuesday. North, now 10-11, takes on a super Southfield team in the district final Friday evening.

Following the game, Negoshian gathered the Raiders in the locker room and remembered his own playing days at Pontiac Central in the mid-1980s.

"We were supposed to win the state tournament one year, but Garden City surprised us in the tournament," he said. "Nobody expected us to lose that

game, and nobody expects you guys to beat Southfield."

"But this is the tournament and anything can happen. Keep that in mind."

Whatever happens in the district final, North Farmington can savor its sweep of city-rival Farmington this season. The Raiders also won their regular-season meeting.

The 6-2 Boyle, who was especially tough inside and along the base line,

got the Raiders rolling Tuesday with 15 first-quarter points. He added seven more in the second quarter and six more in the third, finishing with 13 field goals and two of four free throws.

"We've been trying to get him to shoot more all year," Negoshian said, "but he always seemed just to play the point-guard role. Guess he finally listened."

BOYLE HAD plenty of scoring help from backcourt mate Mike Black, who turned in 13 points, and forward John Dawson, who had 10. North made 27 of 54 floor shots and 13 of 20 free throws.

Farmington, which finished with an 8-12 record, fell behind by 13 (23-10) at the quarter, by 17 (40-23) at the half and by 19 (57-38) at the three-quarter mark.

But coach Rich Royce's Falcons staged

a fourth-quarter rally, pulling to within seven (59-52) with 2:31 left to play. Terry Geisler led the losers with 16 points, and Matt Kanny added 14. The Falcons hit on 20 of 46 field goal attempts and 14 of 19 free throws.

North outrebounded Farmington, 30-24. Will Reineke pulled down seven, and Black snatched six.

Friday's district final has a 7:30 p.m. start.

## Jays crush Lakers, set sights on Raiders

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Easy Street. That's what they should be calling Southfield's path through its own state basketball district tournament.

As expected, the Blue Jays of Coach Greg Silwka blitzed hapless and often helpless West Bloomfield, 67-34, last night to cruise into the district final against North Farmington tomorrow night.

Sparkplugging Southfield, now 20-2 on the season, was senior guard Joey Walton. He got the Jays going with seven straight points in the opening quarter and finished with a game high 21.

Michael McCaskill, who's been making headlines for the Jays this season, followed with 15 points and blocked seven shots.

Brett Power scored nine points for West Bloomfield, which finished a 9 and 12 season. Todd Krump scored seven points for the losers, and Jay Bel added six.

Southfield led at half-time 50-22.

SOUTHFIELD HAD it easier yet in its district opener against Farmington Harrison Monday.

McCaskill, who has become known for his slam dunks this season, had only one in Monday's game, but it came early in the first quarter and got the Jays rolling to a 25-3 lead at the quarter.

"Everytime Michael touches the ball we seem to score," Silwka said after the game. "I just can't emphasize how much he means to us and how much we're going to miss him."

At game's end, Harrison's Hawks found themselves on the losing end of a 93-52 lopsided.

The mismatch allowed Silwka to clear his bench early, nine Jays playing in the first eight minutes alone. Some 15 Southfield players saw action, and only starter Vince Baldwin missed making the scoring column.

McCaskill and Walton, who each played about three quarters, led the winners with 14 points each. Charlie Hart followed with 11, and substitute Ron Austin had 10, eight coming in the fourth quarter.

"We have to guard against overconfidence," Silwka said. "We have to keep our feet on the floor and realize that they all aren't going to be this easy."

Harrison, which had to face Southfield without injured starters Mike MacDonald and Gordie Dawson, bowed out with a 5-16 record.

Asked what it was like to be bombed by 41 points, Harrison coach Mike Teachman said, "We had fun. The guys (Hawks) took it to them (Southfield)."

"The second quarter was nice — 20-17. Our kids showed a lot of heart. I wasn't unhappy. The talent difference was evident in the score, but the effort difference didn't show all. Not to me, anyway."

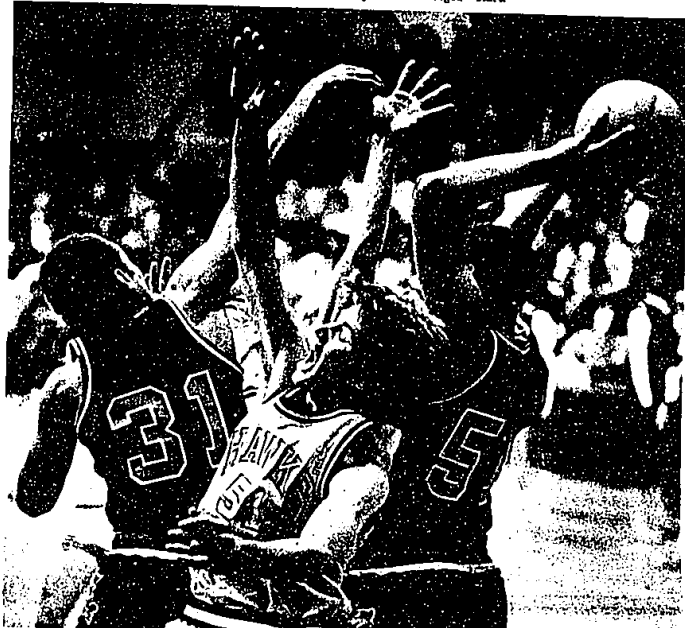
WES JONES, the Hawks' center, scored 12 points. Tim Hamel and Dave Younger each had nine. John Miller, better known as the tailback on Harrison's state-championship football team, followed with seven.

Southfield was hot from the field (44 of 80 for 55 percent) and even hotter from the free throw line (five of five). Harrison shot 32 free throws and made 22, and went 16 of 47 from the floor.

Southfield ruled the boards, 49-20. Lorenzo McCaskill, Michael's younger brother, pulled down eight rebounds. Austin snatched seven, Michael McCaskill six and Hart five.

Harrison was guilty of 21 turnovers.

Southfield was credited with 18. The district final begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday. The district champion advances to the Ferndale High School Regional next week.



Harrison's Ron Karbowski (51) had little chance for this rebound against the likes of Southfield's Ron Austin (31) and Lorenzo McCaskill (51).

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Doug Pachan's enthusiasm from the bench couldn't save Farmington Harrison from being eliminated by Southfield Monday night.

## North matman finishes 7th at state

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"A tough kid" was the way North Farmington wrestling coach Jim O'Leary described Eric Collier after the Raider senior qualified for the Class A state meet.

But Collier acquired another three-word description, "The Cardiac Kid" after his participation in the meet, held last weekend at Lansing Eastern High School.

Collier won four matches at state and lost two to finish a fourth in the 138-pound competition and close out his high school mat career with a 37-10 record.

"Yeah, they were calling him 'The Cardiac Kid' at state," said O'Leary with a laugh. "His matches were real cliffhangers."

In the opener, Collier defeated Hazel Park's Scott Bray, 9-8, scoring a five-point takedown with just 18 seconds left in regulation time.

The next match was another nail-biter in which Collier took down Holly's Cash Allison with eight seconds left to win 10-9. Then came a 7-4 loss to Lansing Eastern's Mike Curley and another decision over Bray — 7-5 this time.

Collier was finally eliminated by Grandville's Rob Blithchok on a one-point decision, 8-5.

"I WAS REALLY pleased with Eric," O'Leary said. "He did a great job. It's hard enough to get to state. And then to win there against that kind of competition, that's real-

ly something. I think he gave it everything he had."

"Eric was kind of down in the dumps after he lost in the semis. But I told him, 'You know, you were 9-7 last year. To come this far and do this well is really incredible.'"

Collier, who holds the school record for pins with 27, advanced to state by finishing second in the qualifying regional and district tournaments.

Plymouth Salem's John Beaudoin, who had eliminated Collier in both the district and regional, won his second-straight 138-pound state championship, beat Lansing Eastern's Curley, 4-3, in the final.

North scored 17 points in the state meet thanks to Collier's efforts.

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