

# Upperclassmen tie in Mercy festivities

By Jessica Ziembroski  
special writer  
Mercy High School's 1987 Home-

coming included something for everyone.  
After a week of activities that generated points for each class,

there was a tie declared between the junior and senior classes, in events called successful by almost everyone.

"Homecoming week was very successful, and the student government worked very hard to create spirit throughout the school," said Swarna Manion, junior class treasurer.

Last week's homecoming activities at the Farmington Hills high school were kicked off with an all-school assembly and the pinning ceremony for student government representatives. Medals and flowers were given in their honor and the junior/senior choral gave a performance of Man of La Mancha.

The first annual field day was held Tuesday, allowing students a break from uniform skirts and sweaters to

sport and class jerseys. Events included an obstacle course, a wheelbarrow race, an oatmeal-eating contest and a tug-of-war between staff and students.

In the end, the junior class came out on top with the most points from the competition.

WITH A theme of "golden oldies," the all-girls high school honored rock star Ritchie Valens Wednesday in their "Dress For La Bamba Day."

Actress Mary Louise Hickey, who travels throughout the country presenting a solo dramatic performance of well-known plays, was also part of the festivities. This year's production was "Majority of One" by Leon-ard Spigelgass.

"It is such a neat experience to see her," said Mercy student Kristy Del- po. "I especially liked it this year."

The play was very entertaining." Thursday provided a chance to let Mercy students show their true colors in a pep rally to support the sports teams and give them recognition. Attire was favorite college sweats. Coaches and athletes were represented, and a cheering competition was held, with a victory by the freshmen class.

Friday, each class decorated their halls in the theme of "Music Through the Ages," including disco, punk, country and the "Fabulous '50s." Sophomores took the prize with their live American Bandstand where they served real ice-cream sodas.

The homecoming dance was also held Friday at the Mercy gym, where Greg Gardella, a student at Brother Rice High School in Birmingham, was crowned Homecoming King.

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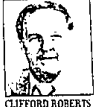
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