



THOMAS ARNETT/staff photographer

Newly crowned Homecoming queen Amy Fletcher (right), a senior, is hugged by last year's Homecoming queen at North Farmington, Stephanie Green, during halftime of Saturday's football game.



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Senior Marti Bruhn rides in the Harrison parade prior to her crowning as Homecoming queen during halftime of Saturday's football game.

Two Homecoming wins

Queens are crowned amid grid victories

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ONE HARRISON employee called their Homecoming day "ducky," although there was not a trace of rain to ruin the day.

There were some clouds, but those cheering the Harrison Hawks and the North Farmington Raiders to victory viewed their Homecoming days — both held Saturday — as partly sunny. And their respective grid wins over opponents Plymouth Canton for Harrison and Walled Lake Central for North were icing on the cake.

Festivities for Harrison began at 10:15 a.m. with the traditional Homecoming parade starting from Beechview Elementary with floats representing each class. The juniors were the winners with their Hot Air Balloon float, which tied into the school's "Vacations" theme.

Senior Marti Bruhn was crowned queen during half time, surrounded by her court: seniors April Seeger and Kristen Tomie, junior Jenny Fitzgerald, sophomore Krista Tobe and freshman Molly Horton.

FOR NORTH Farmington, the parade route started at 11:45 a.m. at

Forest Elementary. Newly crowned queen at half time was Amy Fletcher, surrounded by her court: seniors Kerie Dwyer and Dawn Kotowski, junior Courtney Knapp, sophomore Kristy Krall and freshman Karen Miller.

North sophomores were the big float winners this year, with an Olympic theme, which blended with the Homecoming theme of "Around the World."

"I think things went very well," said North student activities adviser Bill Brinker. "We had a great day."

He said North and Harrison may try to hold their Homecomings on different days next year to accom-

modate area police, who monitor the parades and other related activities.

News that's closer to home News that's closer



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COLLEGE NIGHT

Harrison High School counselors are hosting a College Night for college-bound students in the Farmington area tonight 7-9 p.m. in the school auditorium. Representatives from Michigan colleges and universities, and a few out-of-state colleges will be on hand to answer questions and give information.

Any students considering college may attend.

Harrison is on 12 Mile, between Orchard Lake Road and Middlebelt.

HE'S A WINNER

Wooddale Elementary student Mark Porter is one of nine students statewide who won in the Invent America contest, a national effort sponsored by MasterCard International, Dow Chemical and Pepsi-Cola.

Porter won for his invention of a portable toboggan, and will receive a \$200 savings bond. A \$250 grant will also be awarded to his teacher, Mary Ellen Tolwin. The Farmington Public Schools elementary will receive a \$500 grant to continue the program.

Administered by the non-profit U. S. Patent Model Foundation, Invent America was launched in 1987 and is in 30,000 elementary schools. It is supported by the U.S. departments of Education, Labor and Commerce, and the National Science Foundation.

SUMMER INSTITUTE

Two Farmington Hills students participated in the 1988 Summer Institute for the Arts and Sciences at Olivet College.

Alan MacNeill and Julie Gling were two of 103 students to attend the institute.

Program curriculum provided students with instruction in the arts and sciences plus in-depth exploratory activities. It was entitled "Toward the 21st Century: Thinking Strategies in Creative Arts and Social Sciences for the Future."

HOME SCHOOLING

A statewide workshop on "Home Schooling" is scheduled to be held in East Lansing Friday and Saturday, Oct. 21-22, at the East Lansing Trinity Church.

The Friday evening session 6-10 p.m. is open to the public free of charge. It will give an introduction to the home schooling movement. A fee will be charged for sessions on Saturday, which includes specific topics, such as Education Advantages of the Home, Teaching History in the Home School, and Ten Steps to Begin Home Schooling Right. Call local organizers at 274-2583 for more information.

SPECIAL LOOK

Wood Creek Elementary School parents got a special look at a hands-on math program being used throughout the Farmington school district.

The school's eight kindergarten through second grade teachers held a late afternoon seminar on the "Math Their Way" program Oct. 5, offering a look at visual aids and other information.

MERIT WINNERS

Two Farmington Hills Mercy High School students received commendations as part of the 1989 National Merit Scholarship program. The students, Eve Beale and Sheila Murphy, placed in the top 50,000

of 1 million participants in the 34th annual merit program.

Competition will continue for 6,000 Merit Scholarships to be awarded next spring.

SAFETY ASSEMBLIES

Bus safety assemblies sponsored by the Farmington Transportation Department and presented by AAA of Michigan are scheduled for early childhood students, kindergarten students and elementary students new to the Farmington area since last year's programs.

Students will learn the importance of safety in and around the bus and experience an actual bus evacuation. School programs are scheduled as follows:

• Oct. 25 — Beechview and Wood Creek elementary.

• Oct. 26 — Flanders, Larkshire, St. Fabian and Wooddale elementary.

• Oct. 27 — Highmesadow Common Campus, Fairview and Larkshire elementary.

• Nov. 1 — Alameda Early Childhood Center, and Wood Creek and William Grace elementary.

• Nov. 2 — Longacre and Gill elementary.

• Nov. 3 — Forest, Eagle and Kenbrook elementary.

BOOK DRIVE

The parents group at Fairview Early Childhood Center in Farmington Hills is holding a children's book drive through Oct. 21.

Books donated will be used as part of a lending library. They should reflect interests of children from infancy through 8 years old.

Books may be dropped off at the school, 28500 Oakcrest, Farmington Hills, north of Northwestern Highway, east of Middlebelt. Or call 626-3335 to have books picked up at your house.

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