

## Sports

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# QB guides Hawks to playoff success

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Mill Coleman left 'em gasping and grasping Saturday as Farmington Harrison rolled into the Class B semifinals with another easy playoff victory.

The junior quarterback put on an amazing show that awed the capacity crowd at Madison High School and had the Riverview defenders reaching for air.

Coleman accounted for 282 of his team's 317 total yards in leading the 11-0 and No. 1-rated Hawks past the previously unbeaten Pirates, 35-0. Harrison has outscored two post-season foes 67-0.

The Hawks, having won their third straight regional championship, will play Auburn Hills Avondale at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Pilot's Atwood Stadium. The winner goes to the Pontiac Silverdome to play for the state title on Saturday, Nov. 26.

Coleman responded to the pressure from Riverview's defense by rushing for 158 yards and two touchdowns and, having loosened things up with his ground work, passed for another 124 yards and two TDs.

"COACH (JOHN Herrington) told me to automatic out of it when I felt them blitzing," said Coleman, who darted up the middle numerous times on what appeared to be deliberate quarterback draw plays.

"Actually, they were drop back passes, and the blockers were flying out so fast to contain that I just took off. I was so wide open."

Despite the final score, the victory did not come as easily as others. At least, the yards and points didn't come as quickly as they have in previous games.

The Pirates applied a heavy pass

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rush, sometimes putting seven men on the line and blitzing their linebackers, too. The stiff defense was reminiscent of last year's state final in which Grand Rapids Catholic Central used a strong rush to bottle up Coleman.

Five plays netted a minus-7 yards, and the Hawks were shut out in the first quarter for the first time this season.

"I was feeling a little uneasy," Herrington said. "Mill came off the field and said 'Where are they coming from?' I said: 'I don't know.' Eventually, we figured something might open up."

IT DID — on the next play when Coleman scrambled for 29 yards and a first down. The Hawks breathed a collective sigh of relief, though the drive stalled at the midfield.

However, Coleman sprinted 37 yards to the Riverview 21 on Harrison's third possession, setting up Matt Conley's 3-yard scoring run five plays later.

The Hawks, who have outscored their opponents 451-47 this year, had broken the ice against a tough defense and were on their way as it would turn out.

"We anticipated they would put a lot of pressure on us, but I thought we'd stop it a little better," Herrington said. "It was kinda frustrating there for a while, but then Mill took over."

Harrison stuffed the Pirates' offense, holding them to 10 first-half yards, and the Hawks took command late when Coleman passed to Bryan

Wauldron for 38- and 19-yard TDs and a 21-0 halftime lead.

Wauldron, who needs just 16 yards to become Harrison's all-time leader in passing yards, was wide open in the middle of the field around the 15. Riverview committed eight men to the line, and a mistake in the secondary resulted in double coverage on Chad Burgess. There was nobody between Wauldron and the end zone.

JASON LICHTMAN dropped Riverview quarterback Bob Guiney for an 11-yard loss on a safety blitz, and the Hawks quickly got the ball back.

Coleman dashed off a 29-yard run and then hit Wauldron for another TD. With two defenders charging at him, Coleman sidesteamed the ball to Wauldron, who reached behind him to catch it at the 10.

"It was a bootleg pass, and I caught him out of the corner of my eye when I saw Chad was covered," Coleman said.

"Coach told us not to panic when we weren't moving the ball at first. He said to keep pounding it in there."

Riverview's defensive plan also reminded Coleman of the one used by GRC the last time a Harrison team lost.

"Yeah, but that was last year, and this is a different year," he said. "That didn't shake me up. I knew eventually we'd catch their backers blitzing."

THE GAME WAS decided on Harrison's first play of the second half. Coleman got off around right end, outran the pursuit and broke a tackle near the goal en route to a 26-yard TD.

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RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Mill Coleman, who tries to elude Riverview tackler Mike Godfrey, was pretty good at avoiding the Pirates, rushing for 158 yards and two

touchdowns as the Hawks advanced in the Class B playoffs with a 35-0 victory.

## CC rebounds to beat Glenn

By Brad Emons  
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### football

Redford Catholic Central used surgical procedure Saturday to beat host Westland John Glenn, 21-6, for the Class A-Region III football championship.

The Shamrocks exploded for 21 second-quarter points to sew up a spot in the final four in the state playoffs against Region IV champ Ulica Eisenhower, a 21-0 winner over Lake Orion.

The CC Eisenhower semifinal will be at 1:30 p.m. this Saturday at Glenn.

Tom Mach recorded his 100th victory as CC coach, but the way things started, he had to wonder about a different fate on this gray afternoon.

Glenn took the opening kickoff and marched 80 yards in 20 plays, capped by Brian Stover's 4-yard touchdown pass to Greg Anderson.

But the amazing fact was that the Rockets controlled the clock for 10 minutes and 47 seconds. Glenn also gambled early in the game, converting a fourth-and-1 play at its own 29-yard line when 210-pound tailback Bryant Satterlee, who had 35 yards in 10 carries on the drive, snuck across for a first down.

"WE FELT WE wanted our players to know that we were going to make a run at them," said Glenn coach, Coach Gordon. "We weren't going to play it safe. It gave us confidence early."

But whatever confidence the Rockets had established early was quickly dashed as CC defen-

sive end Lou Yeager, a stalwart all day, blew in through the Glenn line blocked Wes Taylor's extra point.

CC then wasted little time in scoring on its first possession as Scott Hauncher, who was 7-of-9 for 89 yards in the second period, hit Yeager with an 8-yard TD pass with 10:21 left in the half.

Pete Elzeovic's kick made it 7-6, a lead the Shamrocks never relinquished.

CC went back to work as Hauncher began finding seams the Glenn secondary.

After stopping Glenn, the Shamrocks drove 57 yards in nine plays, capped by fullback Lee Krueger's 1-yard TD run.

But the back-breaker occurred with just under two minutes left in the half. CC took advantage of good field position, using only 10 seconds to score as Hauncher connected with Sean O'Keefe on a 21-yard scoring strike to give the Shamrocks a two-touchdown cushion.

THE TD occurred with only 41 seconds left in the period.

"The key was blocking the extra point, it gave us a boost," Mach said. "We were definitely worried about what they did on that drive because

they did a pretty good job. We weren't used to somebody taking it in like that."

"But we had to emphasize a sudden change and the score (by Yeager) picked us up."

"And scoring 21 points in a quarter is a tribute to our kids. The fact that they believed in themselves and came right back after their drive showed a lot of character."

Gordon said CC's first score changed the complexion of the game.

"Hauncher hit some big passes and they found some creases," he said. "We tried to get our guys in better drops (position), but that's the way they answered the challenge to our drive. They're a big and powerful football team."

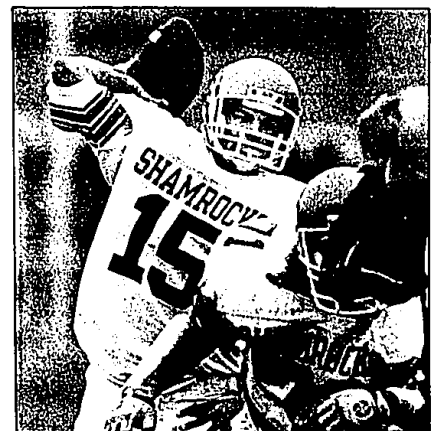
The second half was rather anticlimactic.

CC TOOK THE opening kickoff and appeared to be on the verge of scoring again, but linebacker Mark Johnston picked off a Hauncher pass and returned it to his own 41.

Glenn threatened immediately, helped by a face mask penalty and a pass interference call, marching down to the CC 16. But the Shamrocks' defense stiffened as Stover was wounded into throwing three straight incomplete passes.

Any chance of a Glenn rally was dashed when Kevin Jankowski and Yeager recovered fumbles near midfield on two separate Rocket possessions in the final quarter.

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STEVE FECHT/staff photographer

Scott Hauncher was 8-of-12 passing for 104 yards Saturday as Catholic Central defeated John Glenn 21-6 in the Class A playoff showdown between two Observerland teams.

## Harriers earn special honors

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STATE-RANKED Redford Catholic Central is the leader of the pack for the 1988 All-Observer boys cross country team.

The Shamrocks, Catholic League champions and ranked in the top 10 all season long in Class A, garnered four of the top 10 first-team berths.

Area coaches, who gathered recently to select Observerland's best, harriers, also picked two each from Western Lakes Activities Association champion Farmington and Wayne of the Wolverine A League.

Coaches also selected a second team and compiled an honorable mention list.

Only two harriers repeated as first-team performers. They include CC's Jeff Fedewa and Wayne's Dave Richards.

Observerland Coach of the Year is, who else, CC's Tony Magri, who led the Shamrocks to an undefeated dual-meet season, a regional title and a fifth-place finish at the Class A meet.

### all-area cross country

CC won the Catholic League title this fall. The veteran coach has two Class A titles to his credit.

Introducing the 1988 All-Area boys cross country team:

#### FIRST TEAM

Mike Sheridan, junior, Redford CC: He helped the Shamrocks to a fifth-place finish in the Class A team standings. In the team race, Sheridan finished 10th with a time of 16:36 for 5,000 meters.

He also won the Shrine-Shamrock Invitational and the Catholic League meet. The CC standout was second in the regional, Operation-Friendship and Holy Meets.

Sheridan was unbeaten in duals. "His record speaks for itself," said CC coach Tony Magri. "He was very competitive in every race. He's consistent, works hard and is a determined, well-rounded individual."

Chris Woolley, senior, Wayne: Woolley

ran impressively, particularly in the state Class A individual race where he took fourth with a time of 16:46.

Only a strong contingent from state Class A champion Monroe kept Woolley from winning the Wolverine A League and regional meets. He was sixth in the league and fifth in the regional.

"Chris, as our team captain, led the team very well," said Wayne coach Ron Tolson. "He finished the season very well."

Woolley said he hopes to attend either Central or Eastern Michigan University.

Jeff Fedewa, senior, Redford CC: He had only one bad meet all year and unfortunately it was the state finals where he took 81st.

The two-time All-Area pick finished fourth in the regional, fifth at Operation-Friendship, seventh in the Catholic League and fifth in both the Shrine-Shamrock and Sturgis Invitations.

"Jeff was a real team leader," said Magri. "He was well liked by everyone

and a good runner who often sacrificed his personal gain for team gain."

Dave Richards, senior, Wayne: Richards won two invitational crowns (Dearborn and Wayne), setting course records in the process.

He finished fifth at Gibraltar Carlson with a personal best of 16:18.

In post-season meets, Richards gained eighth in the league, seventh in the regional and ninth in the Class A individual race.

"Dave is a very good pace runner," said Tolson. "It seems that he can run a good pace forever."

Richards also sets a good pace in the classroom, carrying a 3.5 grade-point average.

Brad Moore, senior, Farmington: One of coach Jerry Young's top big guns, Moore seemed to have a knack for running well in the big meets.

He placed ninth at Schoolcraft Invitational (16:28.8), second in the Western Lakes meet (16:54), seventh in the regional and 11th in the Class A individual race.

He was one of the big reasons why Farmington repeated as WIAA champion.

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