

# The rains came down, but not the spirits

THERE WERE five days of spirit-raising for Farmington Hills Harrison High students prior to Homecoming Saturday which did exactly as they were intended to do. "Our theme for the day — 'Under Water' — turned out to be prophetic," said Dave Poelke who is assistant principal at the school as well as faculty director for the Homecoming activities. "It either threatened rain or did rain all day long. But the spirits stayed up."

And well they might have. By half time, the Harrison Hawks were leading the Livonia Churchill Chargers by 35-7. And the Hawks kept that lead to the final 40-7 score.

The day began with a parade and wound up with Homecoming Dance that night in the gym. But spirit-raising went on a full week preparing for the big day.

"We had exceptional participation for Spirit Week this year," Poelke said. "We had one day we called 'Opposite Sex Day' that we won't repeat — that didn't go over too big — but otherwise it was one of the best Spirit Weeks we've ever had."

In addition to the won't-be-repeated Opposite Sex Day, students wore a college sweat shirt for College Day, wore their clothes backwards for Backwards Day, wore their pajamas for Pajama Day, competed with one another in Field Day, and spent last Friday night decorating the

school gym for the Saturday night dance. "Classes competed against one another and against the faculty. We also had wheel chair races that day so no one was left out," Poelke said.

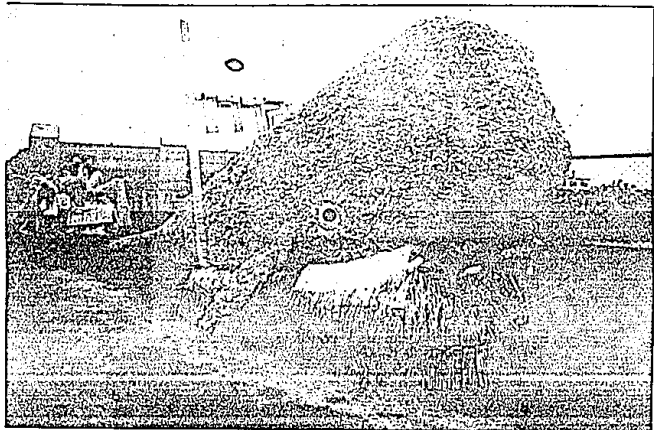
Harrison's 1989 Homecoming Queen Jennifer Fitzgerald presided over all of the proceedings. "Jonah and the Whale" — in keeping with the Under Water theme — created by the class of '92 won the trophy for Best Float.



Varsity and junior varsity cheerleaders lead the crowd in counting out the number of points after each touchdown at the home-

coming game Saturday at Harrison. In this case, they were counting by fives up to 35.

AT RIGHT: The winning float in this year's Homecoming parade at Harrison was designed and built by the sophomore class.



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Freshman Brian Rosa helps senior Michelle Japengo with some last-minute adjustments to her uniform before the Harrison marching band took to the field for the halftime show at this year's Homecoming.



Michigan State University freshman Marti Bruhn (center) was last year's Homecoming queen at Harrison. Here, she gets some help from her father, Joe, and her escort, Harrison senior Carl Johnson, at this year's Homecoming.



The 1989 Homecoming queen at Harrison is senior Jennifer Fitzgerald, 17.

## 2 at basket convention

Deborah Grant-Kellerborn and Raeann Heaton-Mooney of Farmington Hills took part in the world's largest basket convention, the annual Longaberger Basket Bee.

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