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Dolan made two triples in the 31st minute, tying the score at 50. Deshawn Rogers made two free throws for Lahser, but North sophomore Brad Rivers was fouled shooting a triple with 18 seconds left.

Rivers, who scored 18 points (four threes) in only his third varsity game, made the first two, but the third spun around the rim and out, leaving the score tied 52-52.

The Raiders led early in the overtime but committed a backcourt turnover with a minute left and the score knotted at 57.

Lahser's Andy LaFevre sank four free throws to clinch the win while North failed to connect on any more threes.

"There was a point I thought we had it won and a point I thought it was over and lost," Schwehart said. "We could have folded, but we kept hanging in there and battling."

"All I can ask at this point in the year is that we play our best basketball and play hard. I really feel we did; it just didn't go our way."

Mike Feld added 10 points and four assists for North. Beal had nine rebounds, and Jason Pawlowski, Feld and Eric Jones had six each.

LaFevre scored 17 points for Lahser (10-12), Rogers 13, Nathan Newman 10 and Nathan Terrell nine.

Lakers eliminate Hawks

Harrison (6-15) overcame a poor start to make a game of it against the Lakers (8-13), who play Lahser at 7 p.m. Friday for the championship.

The Hawks missed their first 16 shots and made only one of 18 in the first quarter. Harrison trailed 11-3 after one period but climbed back to within five (21-16) at halftime.

Senior Gabe Slack and freshman Matt Derocher gave the Hawks a 22-21 lead to start the third quarter, and they were only down two (27-25) when West Bloomfield's Mike Groves took over the game in the last minute.

Groves hit a triple and followed it with three straight steals — all of which he converted (two free throws and two layups) to give the Lakers an 11-point lead.

"That's when we had our most inexperienced group in there and they took advantage," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said, adding he was resting other players. "Panic set in and we didn't execute very well."

"Who knows? If we hadn't rested the starters, we might not have made it back within two."

Harrison's Doug Brodowski scored 12 of his 16 points (all threes) in the fourth quarter to help rally the Hawks, who narrowed the gap to 46-44.

But West Bloomfield's Tom Mondo answered with a three-point play, and turnovers (17 total) prevented the Hawks from keeping pace in the last two minutes.

"If you take away the first four minutes and the last minute of the third quarter, it's a different game," Teachman said. "But we can't do that. You have to play 32 minutes, and the young guys have to learn that."

Slack hauled down 18 rebounds and scored nine points; Derocher



Up for grabs: Harrison freshman Matt Derocher struggles with James Patton and Tim Domke for the ball.

netted 13 points and had 16 rebounds.

Groves led the Lakers with 14 points and 6-foot-8 Shamarr Henson scored eight of his 10 in the last quarter. Tim Domke added eight, Jim Patton and Mondo seven each.

"I don't see (the end of the season) as a period," Teachman said. "We made lot of progress in the last month."

"The things we have to improve are the things that can be done through maturity and responsibility."

"The maturity I assume will happen. The responsibility I don't know, because the model young kids see out there is 'It's never my fault.' You can always

Garden City stuns Glenn in district

Ian Randles excels in cross country and track, but he wasn't about to run from Tuesday night's assignment given by Garden City boys basketball coach Greg Williamson.

Randles was one of several under-sized players asked to clog the middle against Westland John Glenn's 6-foot-11 center Guy Rucker, who has signed with the University of Iowa.

"He's our Dennis Rodman," said Garden City's Larry Sanders, who at 6-4 looks like a giant next to the 1-1, 160-pound Randles.

Williamson's band of overachievers held Rucker to 12 points and junior guard Ryan Males scored 18 of his game-high 24 points in the second half as the Cougars surprised Glenn, 68-59, in a Class A district semifinal game played at Belleville.

Randles scored his only two points on a tip in, and he tied Sanders for a team-high eight rebounds.

It was quite an impersonation of Rodman. When is he painting his hair orange?

"He (Rucker) is 10 or 11 inches taller and I had to work hard because I knew he would underestimate me and wasn't going to work that hard," Randles said.

Senior point guard Pete Males, who penetrated the Glenn defense with ease, finished with eight points, while Sanders had 12 and forward Brad Buddenberg had a hard-earned 17.

The win sends Garden City (11-10 overall) to the district final at 7 p.m. Friday against the winner of Wednesday's semifinal between Wayne Memorial and Belleville.

Glenn, a Class A quarterfinalist last year, bowed out with a 16-4 overall record.

"We haven't taken that final step and won the big game (before Tuesday), so we're celebrating tonight and getting down to business Wednesday," Williamson said.

Rucker finished with 11 rebounds but scored only four points in the second half and got into foul trouble. Glenn's second-tallest player, 6-8 senior Eric Reppeke, remained on the bench until the fourth quarter when he

grabbed four rebounds and scored on a rebound basket.

Garden City trailed 30-22 at halftime despite making only eight of 36 shots from the floor in the first half.

Males scored 10 points from the outside and Sanders scored nine on mostly inside moves in the third quarter when the Cougars made their move.

Sanders ended a 16-6 run with a three-point play to put the Cougars ahead for the first time since the first quarter, 38-36. Rucker was whistled for his third foul on the play and picked up his fourth with 45 seconds left in the third quarter. He went to the bench and didn't return until 2:47 remained in the game.

The Cougars ended the third quarter with a play that summed up the night: Glenn missed a defensive assignment and Ryan Males in-bounded the ball to a wide-open Sanders for a layup and a 45-44 lead as the buzzer sounded.

"That was a lack of communication," said Glenn coach Mike Schuette, who was just as confused by Garden City's 33-31 rebounding edge. "Everyone thought everyone else had number 50 (Sanders)."

The Rockets weren't through, scoring eight of the first 10 points of the fourth quarter to regain the lead, 52-48.

But the Males brothers combined for the next eight points (a three and two-point basket by Ryan and a three-point basket by Pete) to put the Cougars ahead to stay, 56-52.

The Rockets got within 56-55 after a triple by senior guard Savon Hubbard, but the Cougars were able to build the lead even after Rucker returned.

Hubbard led Glenn with 15 points and Albert Jones and Brent Washington had 10 each. Glenn finished 19 of 63 from the floor and committed 29 turnovers to Garden City's 14.

"After watching Rucker last year and the other night against Plymouth Canton, I thought he was lethargic and he likes to bring the ball low a lot," Williamson said.

Shamrocks to play for district tourney title

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Chris Misiak talked about his role on the Redford Catholic Central boys basketball team while coach Rick Coratti was sitting around the corner of the locker room within earshot.

"That's right, Chris, give him the 'Company Line,'" Coratti quipped.

Misiak laughed, but it's the truth.

Misiak is just as happy scoring a career-high 26 points, as he did in Wednesday's 70-54 Class A district semifinal victory over Detroit Redford, or playing the role of assist man.

For the record, here's what Misiak said, before the interruption.

"I'm definitely happy, as long as I'm contributing, helping the team work."

On this night, Misiak helped the Shamrocks, 11-10 overall, earn a berth to the district final where they'll play Livonia Stevenson at 7 p.m. Friday at CC.

Misiak's confidence has grown immensely since taking over as the full-time point guard after another junior, Justin Hoener, broke his leg in a December loss to Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

The 26 points surpasses Misiak's previous career high of 21 against the University of Detroit Jesuit.

Misiak made four three-point shots, including three in the second quarter when the Shamrocks outscored Redford, 15-3, for a 33-18 halftime lead. His only miss in the first half was a desperation heave at the buzzer.

Redford's primary concern was CC's senior forward Mike Ridley, who scored most of his 14 points at the free throw line. Ridley didn't attempt a shot in the second quarter, only one in the third and finished three of 11 from the field.

He was seven of eight at the free throw line.

"Rid deserves that (the attention), he's been the go-to guy, that's been his role this year," said Misiak, who was 8-12 from the floor and 6-7 at the free throw line. "A lot of teams are gunning for him and he did a good job of getting rid of the ball."

Misiak was the recipient most of the time, but sophomore guard Marc McDonald also got free for two three-point baskets, including one in the third quarter that

stopped an 8-2 run by Redford and put the Shamrocks up 42-30.


McDonald and junior forward Richard Turk scored seven points each and junior forward Eric Gilbo added six. Ridley and Gilbo helped get the Shamrocks started on the break with 10 and nine rebounds, respectively.

"We worried about 31 (Ridley), we gave too much help and he did beat us off the dribble," Redford coach Derrick McDowell said. "He hurt us because he set up the others."

Redford (12-7 overall) made only 6-26 shots in the first half and finished 22-67 (33 percent) for the game. The Huskies' top player, senior forward Hassan Jihad, scored 17 points, but was only 6-17 from the floor and 3-10 at the free throw line.

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