# Rocks defeat Falcons

Six players scored touchdowns for Plymouth Salem as the visiting Rocks rolled over Farmington High 42-12 Saturday.

The Rocks took a 7-0 lead in the first quarter when James Chapman capped a 70-yard drive with a 15-yard scoring run. Brian James kicked the first of six straight extra points.

## FOOTBALL

Salem extended its lead to 21-0 at halftime after quarterback Nate Gray ran 9 yards and Teono Wilson 6 yards for touchdowns in the second quarter.

Brian Lahane returned a pass interception 30 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter to make it 28-0 before the Falcons got on the scoreboard.

Farmington's Joel Lewis passed 5 yards to Bryant Bronner in the third quarter, and Dave Vinne returned a punt 63 yards in the fourth period.

The Falcons missed a point-after attempt following their first touchdown and a two-point conversion after the second. Salem led 28-12.

The Rocks finished the scoring when Gray passed 6 yards to Kevin Conte and Jeff McKinn returned a blocked punt 26 yards.

"I thought our defense played its best game of the season," Salem coach Tom Moshimer said.

"The offense was sporadic, but we moved the ball early. We blocked two punts, which I was very happy about."

Gray completed seven of 14 passes for more than 100 yards.

The Rocks are 2-1 in the Lakes Division and 4-1 overall. The Falcons are 0-3 and 1-4.

## FOOTBALL

**MHSAA FOOTBALL PLAYOFF COMPUTER RANKINGS**
**(area teams in bold)**

**Class AA (Region III):** 1. Battle Creek Central (5-0), 90.000; 2. Monroe (4-1), 75.800; 3. (tie) Brighton (4-1) and Walled Lake Western (4-1), 72.800 each; **5. Plymouth Salem (4-1), 71.200**; 6. Ann Arbor Huron (4-1), 63.867; 7. Howell (3-2), 59.000; 8. Jackson (3-2), 54.000; 9. Flint Northern (3-2), 53.300; 10. Ann Arbor Pioneer (3-2), 52.200.

**Class AA (Region III): 1. Westland John Glenn (5-0), 99.200**; 2. Clarkston (5-0), 94.400; 3. Troy (5-0), 94.400; 4. Detroit Redford (5-0), 88.000; **5. Livonia Franklin (4-1), 72.800**; 6. Dearborn Fordson (4-1), 72.600; **7. Wayne Memorial (4-1), 72.400**; 8. Detroit Henry Ford (4-1), 71.200; 9. Detroit Murray-Wright (4-1), 68.000; **10. Redford Catholic Central (3-2), 65.600.**

**Class A (Region III):** 1. Detroit Chadsey (5-0), 104.000; 2. South Lyon (5-0), 90.000; 3. Trenton (5-0), 94.000; 4. Dearborn Edsel Ford (4-1), 69.200; 5. Dearborn (4-1), 67.800; **6. Farmington Hills Harrison (4-1), 67.800**; 7. Wyandotte Roosevelt (3-2), 60.600; 8. Southgate Anderson (3-2), 59.200; 9. Novi (3-2), 57.200; 10. Saline (3-2).

**Class C (Region IV):** 1. Southgate Aquinas (5-0), 70.400; 2. Almont (5-0), 69.800; 3. Deckerville (4-1), 54.600; **4. Lutheran High Westland (4-1), 51.800**; 5. Harper Woods (4-1), 47.000.

# Six area teams remain in prep playoff picture

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It's a dead heat.

Your friendly prognosticators are both 61-14 with four weeks to go.

Thanks to Birmingham Brother Rice's 21-14 overtime win Sunday over Redford Catholic Central, the vacationing Dan O'Meara correctly picked 11 of 13 games last week to gain a game on yours truly, who finished 10-3.

This week's card has several games where you could flip a coin.

Livonia Franklin and Walled Lake Western duel for first place in the WLAA Western Division; Westland John Glenn can sew up the Lakes Division crown with a victory over Walled Lake Central.

Belleville-Wayne is also a pivotal game in the Mega Conference-Red Division.

As for the state playoff race, several teams remain in the hunt including Glenn, Franklin, Plymouth Salem, Wayne, Farmington Hills Harrison and Lutheran High Westland. Redford CC, with two losses now, is a longshot in Class A Region-III.

## GRID PICKS

**FRIDAY GAMES**
**(all at 7:30 p.m. unless noted)**

**Southgate at Redford Union (7 p.m.):** RU (0-5, 0-3) is still searching for its first victory after getting dumped last week by Chelsea, 35-0. Southgate (3-2, 3-1), a Mega-Red team last year, is one game off the pace in the Mega-White after downing Taylor Kennedy last week, 19-2, as junior Mike Gratz rushed for 145 yards, including three TDs, one of which was a 100-yard return on a blocked field goal. **PICKS:** Southgate swings past the Panthers.

**Ply. Canton at Liv. Churchill:** Churchill, 1-58 for the 90s, played a respectable game last week in a 27-14 loss to Farmington Hills Harrison. The Chargers (0-5, 0-3) will be an underdog again this week against Canton (2-3, 1-2), which couldn't run the ball in a 21-9 loss to Western Division leader Franklin last week. **PICKS:** Canton zaps the Chargers.

**Liv. Franklin at W.L. Western:** A win by the Patriots (4-1, 3-0) could be a springboard to bigger and better things the rest of the season. Franklin's defense has only given up 22 points since a season-opening 40-21 loss to top-ranked Sterling Heights Stevenson. Special teams could decide this one. Western (4-1, 3-0) relies on kicker/punter Pat Gibson, one of the best in the state, and kick returner Kevin Thomas, a dangerous threat. **PICKS:** Western gets two votes.

**Liv. Stevenson at Ply. Salem:** Stevenson (3-2, 2-1), winners of two straight, appears to be picking up steam. The Spartans' senior tailback Gade Clark has rushed for 477 yards in his last two outings. Plymouth Salem (4-1, 2-1) is certainly the surprise team in Observerland so far. **PICKS:** Both stick with the Spartans in a close one.

**W.L. Central at Westland Glenn:** State-ranked Glenn (5-0, 3-0) has clearly been the most consistent team this year in the WLAA. The Rockets, who lost starting outside linebacker Nick Nieshewat to injury two weeks ago, continues to plug holes and not lose anything. Central (3-2, 2-1) was stunned last week by Stevenson, 28-21. **PICKS:** Glenn stays perfect.

**Garden City at Taylor Kennedy:** This Mega-White encounter pits a pair of teams that are struggling. GC (0-5, 0-3) had its hands full last week in a 40-7 loss to unbeaten Trenton. Kennedy (2-3, 1-3), meanwhile, is coming off a 19-2 defeat to Southgate. JFK has wins over RU and Taylor Center. **PICKS:** JFK wins for the home fans.

**SATURDAY GAMES**
**(all 1 p.m. unless noted)**

**Belleville at Wayne:** Wayne Memorial (4-1, 3-1) hit its mid-season snag once again in a 14-0 loss to Wyandotte. Turnovers (7) and an inability to score inside the 10 leaves doubts just how good the Zebras really are. Belleville (3-2, 3-1) has now won three straight after dropping its first two games of the year against Salem and Wyandotte. Senior fullback Willie Patton had 145 yards in a 27-6 win over Woodhaven. The loser of this game is pretty much out of the division race. **PICKS:** Wayne regroups to beat its longtime nemesis.

**Farmington at N. Farmington:** Staying out of the cellar in the Lakes Division of the WLAA is at stake. Both teams were blown out last week by good teams, Farmington to Salem (42-12) and North to Glenn (42-6). **PICKS:** Flip a coin. Emons and O'Meara take North.

**Northville at F.H. Harrison:** Harrison is very much in the hunt for a playoff spot in Class A-Region III after beating Churchill last week, 27-14, as Nick Shaleb rushed for 130 yards and three TDs. Northville (0-5, 0-3) is having a rare off year. **PICKS:** Harrison keeps rolling.

**Taylor Center at Thurston:** Taylor Center (1-4, 1-3) is closing its doors at the end of the year. The Rams were picked dead last in the Mega-Blue. Thurston (2-3, 1-2) must find a way to stop people defensively if it entertains thoughts of having a winning season. **PICKS:** The Eagles are flying high again.

**Clarenceville at Lutheran Northwest:** Trojan coach Chuck Donaldson may have summed it up by saying "We're the best 1-4 team I've seen." Who could argue after Clarenceville (1-4, 1-4) took Lutheran Westland to the wire in a 14-13 loss. Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest (0-5, 0-4) got ripped last week by Hamtramck, 48-8. **PICKS:** Clarenceville all the way to a Metro win.

**Lutheran North at Luth. Westland:** *This is a key game in the Metro Conference.* Harper Woods still leads, but Lutheran Westland (4-1, 4-1) is only a game out. The Warriors, however, are banged up and need a full lineup to beat North (3-2, 3-2), which pulled off a surprise last week with a 13-12 win over Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook. Quarterback Paul Drudel passed for 196 yards (22 of 32), including the game-winning TD with only 30 seconds left. **PICKS:** North stops the Warriors, according to both prognosticators.

**Redford CC at O.L. St. Mary (1:30 p.m.):** The Shamrocks (3-2, 0-1) must be the best 3-2 team in America after last minute losses to unbeaten Birmingham Brother Rice and Detroit DePorres. Orchard Lake St. Mary (3-2, 0-2) is no slouch, however. The Eaglets took DePorres to the wire last week before losing, 27-22. Their other loss is to unbeaten Dearborn Divine Child. **PICKS:** CC gets back on the winning track.

**Bishop Borgess at Det. Benedictine (2 p.m.):** Both teams are 2-3 overall and 0-2 in the Tri-Sectional of the Catholic League. Borgess was blasted last week by unbeaten Riverview Gabriel Richard, 52-6, while Allen Park Cabrini earned its first victory at the expense of Benedictine, 20-12. **PICKS:** The Ravens fly past Borgess.

**St. Agatha at Waterford Our Lady (7:30 p.m. at RU's Kraft Field):** The Aggies (0-5, 0-3) are coming off a 13-0 loss to Royal Oak Shrine. Our Lady of Lakes (3-2, 2-0), coached by Mike Boyd, ripped Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard on Sunday, 40-9. **PICKS:** Go with the Lakers in this one.


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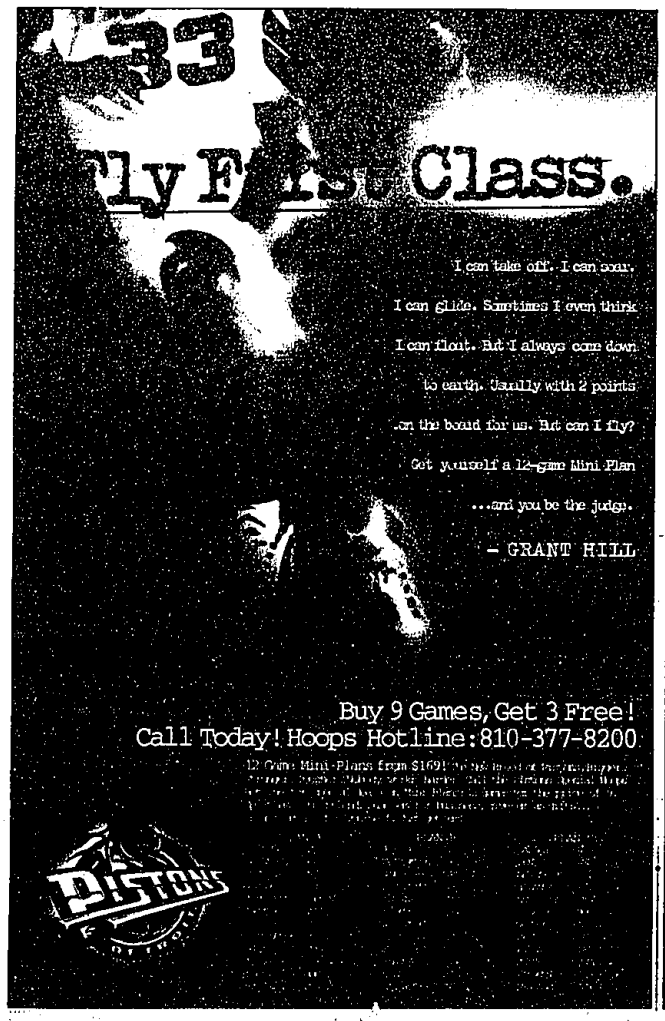




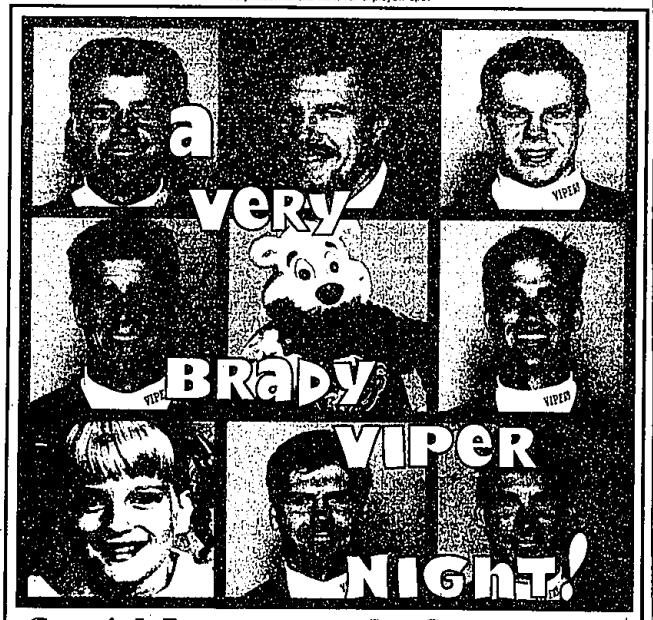


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