Harrison stands 'Tull' in dome performance

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The Harrison High School Marching
Band rocked the Pontiac Silverdome Saturday with theirperformance of The Music of
Jethro Tull.*

They rendered their audience-pleasing
show at the Michigan Competing Band
Association (MCBA) State Championahips
along with theother 39 top bands, 10 each
in Flights I, II, III and IV, from across the
Match. More than 11,000 spectators enjoyed
the performances of the 5,000-plus band
members.

Harrison's vibrant performance notted
them the highest score they have ever
rachieved, a 90.2 out of 100 possible points,
second place in Flight III with espirion
wards for Best Percussion andBest Auxillary and the sixth highest overall score of
the 40 competing bands. The Hudsonville
hardly squeaked by Harrison for the
Flight III first place honors with a score of
50.77, little more than a one-half point difforence.

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90.77, little more than a one-man parameter ference.
From where I was, it was great," said Harrison Band Director Mark Phillips of his band's performance. "We went out there and we did a great job. Our goal today was to do the best wecould and that's the highest score we've had."
The Harrison marchers concurred. "I feel great," said senior trumpet player Steven Merenda. "Itwas everything we expected and more. We surpassed our expectations."
Junior Courtney Pyant plays the tenor

hard to do that too. They did a wonderful job. Her son, Michael, is asophomore baritone layer.

Our Observer-area bands at Saturday's championships included Livonia Franklin, minth in Flight II, 71.45; and Plymouth-Carton, first in Flight II, 73.55.5 The top bands were selected from more than 80 in the MCBa based on the season's competition scores.

"We have 40 incredible bands," said MCBA President Jack Ellis. The quality of performance inthe state has a shoultely escalated in the last four or five years. I'm so proud of these complishments of these young people of think it's ongoing proof that the young people of America, when they're given the challenge and given the direction, are as capable and competents any youth we've ever had."

The next stop for the Harrison marchers is the RCA Dome in Indianapolis for the Bands of America Grand National Championships, Nov. 13-15.

"We're going to work even harder," said Phillips. "They had a great performance and I'm surchey'll all just dig in a little deeper and they'll work a little harder to take that score up higher at nationals."



State standouts: Harrison High's marching band turned in a stellar performance at the state competing band championships at the Pontiac Silverdome. The band garnered 90.2 out of 100 possible points with its stirring rendition of music by '70s rock icons Jethro Tull.

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Hospital
and veterinarian Dr.
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Richardson
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