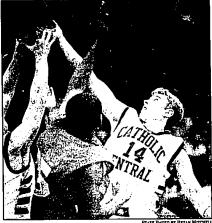
## Redford gets win over CC

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Hoop scene: CC's Tom Jakacki of Farmington (14) reaches for a rebound in a tournament game Thursday.

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## Ocelots take regional crown

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Any doubt about the Schoolcraft men's basketball team
being able to compete with the
top junior college teams in the
country was erased Thuraday.
The hest Occlots stormed past
fabled Vincennes (Ind.) with an
impressive 87-84 victory to claim
its first NICAA Region 12 title.
Schoolcraft (30-2) is just one
win away from making the cut
for the 18-team National Junior
College Athletic Association administration there who have helped support us." Vincennes had no answers for Region 12 MVP Sam Hoskin. The 6-foot-8, 260-pound center from Redford Bishop Borgeas via transfer from Eastern Kentucky

University, poured in a game-high 27 points on 10-of-17 shooting.
Guard Derrick Bird added 18

win away from making the cut for the 18-team National Junior College Athletic Association Division I tournament (March 18-24) in Hutchinson, Kan. At 2 today, Schooleraft will host Region 13 champ Gegobic of Ironwood, Mich., sporting a 21-8 record, for the right to advance. Vincennes, ranked No. 7 in the NJCAA and winners of 30 of 37 Region championships, was overwhelmed by Schoolcraft's relentless pressure defense and fierce rebounding.

The Trailblazers, who bowed at 26-5 overall, were outplayed in nearly every facet of the game.

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Guard Derrick Bird added 18
points, while point-guard Dave
McGlown added 16. Starting forward Keanan Wei also came up
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Vincennes leading scorer Andre
the 6-10 guard had 30 points the
night before in a 94-74 semifinal
win over Lansing. The other
starting guard, Jon Knoche, laid
a goose egg in the scorebook.

"I thought our guard play was
very good, Briggs said. Therick
Bird and Mike Peek did a heck of
job on him (Horton). He (Horton)
didn't get a good look at the basketball all night.
Schoolcraft trailed only once in
the game, 5-4 at the 16:57 mark
of the opening half.

Weir's three-pointer at the
huzzer to end the half coming
out of a timeout gave Schoolcraft
a 36-22 halftime cushiou.

"I knew that was a good sign
when Keanan hit that 'three
from the corner,' Briggs said.

"That gave us some momentum
for the second half because for
about five minutes our offense
was at a standatill with Sam and
Derrick out of the game." in nearly every facet of the game.
"Overall I thought our team hustle was a little better than theirs and we were able to pley defense for 40 minutes," said Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs, who has orchestrated a remarkable four-year record of 103-21 and has the Occlois on the verge of their first trip to the nationals, "Wo played the way we expected to play at home and being that it was for a Region championablp.
"This is certainly our biggest win in school history and it was nice to see all the people in our

BASKETBALL

The 6-6 Weir, inserted into the lineup recently as a defensive stopper and rebounder, came up with a pair of 'threes.'

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"If I'm open, I can shoot it, "the Detroit King product said. "I just play a role and do whatever it takes to help the team.
"We ran a Down-4 play at the end of the half where we spread it out and let Mike Peek penetrate. He got me the ball and once I got me feet set, I shot it and it went in."

The Ocelots were just 14 of 43 from the floor (32 percent) in the opening half, but seemed to come up with every missed shot. Several times 6-4 forward Dwight Windom kept balls alive on the offensive boards.

Vincennes, meanwhile, never made a serious challenge in the second half. The Trailblazer only got as close as 12 points.

Peek's three-pointer with 11:42 remaining gave Schoolcraft a commanding 66-39 advantage.

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"(The Oceleta) just wanted it more," said Vincennes coach Dan Sparks, who has over 500 wins and is a member of the NJCA hall of Fame. "We have only two people who really wanted it, and nobody else stepped up.

The Trailblazers gut 19 points from 6-8 center Omonivi Makun of Lagos, Nigeria. Marshall Williams, a former Mr. Basketball from Wisconsin and transfer from North Carolina State, was the only other Vincennes player in double figures with 13.

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fouled out with 3:28 left in the game.
"Our primary goal was to try to not left them get the ball to him in the box, and I thought we did a pretty good job of that," Mikel said. "When he fouled out, that made it a lot easier to guard their perimeter players."

McComb gave the Raiders (10-12) a quick lead when he scored off a turnover at the start of the game.

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The clock was down to 4:13 before Tillman put Farmington on the board. That triggered a 10-0 run while North managed just one free throw the rest of the first quarter.

But the Raiders scored the first six points of the second period to make it 10-9. Four point plays by Layne Bodily and Barenie helped Farmington to leads of 16-9 and 22-16, but North refused to fold.

"They don't quit; you can't let you on them," Mike! said. "Against teams that are aggressive and acrappy, you have to keep your composure and make good decisions. We're fortunate to do that three times now.

"On paper, Tom's kids probably don't have as much talent as we do, but they're well coached. The Falcons started getting the ball inside more in the third quarter to Griffie (six points), Tillman and Mazes and, unlike the first half, were getting more rebounds, too.

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A defensive lapse let Farmington take its biggest lead, 36-26.
On a long inbounds pass, two North defenders went to the ball hard the sidecourt, allowing Bodily to knock the ball to a wideopen Griffie in the middle for a dunk.

Tilman's shot from the wing at the buzzer kept the lead at 11, 40-29, at the end of the quarter. We made a point of saying at halftime we were playing too much catch on the perimeter and not looking for our inside people, Mikel said.

"Our inside people were saying, 'Get us the ball; we have to touch the ball,' and the kids did a better job of that in the third quarter."

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"The kids keep attacking the rim." North coach Tom Negochian said, adding his team was battling a size disadvantage as well.

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"If you don't shoot the ball
well, that's what you have to do.
The kids understand they have
to attack the rim, and that gets
us to the free-throw line.
"We do different things on the
perimeter, because you can't just
line up and compete with size.
Eventually, size is going to over-

Falcons.

In the second half, our kids made up their minds they were going to come out and play them hard, Mikel said.

An 8-for-13 fourth quarter helped raise North's overall shooting totals to 13-of-41 (32 percent). Farmington shot 47 percent (17-of-38).

The Falcons made four of 11 three-point shots and 17 of 29 A basket by Leach and two threes by McComb and Patter-son trimmed the Farmington lead to 43-37 at the start of the fourth.

It was still a six-point game,
46-39, when the clock dippedbelow three minutes. Tillman
was 6-0f-8 and Matt Mikel 4-of-4
shooting free throws down the
stretch to clinch the win for the

free throws. The Raiders were 7-of-21 shooting the three and were 17-of-28 at the line.

"I thought we had a little spurt when we went brain dead to start the second half." Negoshian said. "We had some pretty good looks and didn't hit them.

"We talked about mental intensity, and I don't think we had it (given) the way we were supposed to rotate on the trap.

"They had some uncontested

baseline jumpers, and the whole first half we didn't give that up." Negoshian added he is as proud of this year's team and what it was able to achieve as he was the last two North teams that won two league titles and one district championship.

BENEDICTINE 86, CLARENCEVILLE 46: "We played a great first quarter," Livonia Clarenceville coach Kevin Mur-phy said. "We were right with them." Then, as Murphy described it, "We

Then, as Murphy described it, "We fell flat on our fees."

The result was a 17-2 nm for Detroit Benedictine in the second quester and a 16-point halfitime deficit for Carenceville, a mergin too large for the Trojans (8-13) to overcome Wadnesday in a district tournament game. Tim Shaw led the Trojans with 17 points. Scott Wisn had 10 and Pete Shaw eight, Brandon Proby's 15 points, including three three-pointers in the third quarter, was best for the Revens.

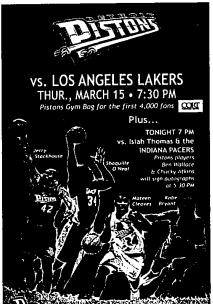


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