Imaginary football playoff decides who's No. 1 in area



By all rights, we should be done with high school football.

In theory, that ended the night of Nov. 24 in the Silverdome with Farmington and Catholic Central winning state championships and Clarenceville advancing to the finals.

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Then that list expanded to Clarenceville, since the Trojans also played in the Silverdome.

We also tried to come up with fourth team to make a pure playoff out of it. Naturally, we couldn't think of just one, so we've expanded it to six teams. So we give you now, in the great tradition of the Bowl Championship Series, the Observer Championship Series, anostly hypothetical, purely in fun. Yos, some teams havon't layed in three weeks. Some fun. Yes, some teams haven't played in three weeks. Some players are still licking their wounds. But if you asked any player or coach if they'd want to be a part of this, they'd do it in a heart-

of this, they'd do it in a heartbeat.

The two state champs – Division 3 Harrison (14-0) and Division 1 CG (11-3) are our No. 1
sind 1 2 seeds and get first-round
byes. Division 5 runner-up
Charenceville (13-1) weighs in as
our third seed, while Division 1
regional finalist John Glenn (92) is the fourth seed. Canton (92) in Division 1 district finalist, is
the fifth seed, while Division 8
regional finalist Bishop Borgess
(10-2) is the sixth and final seed.

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FIRST ROUND CAME 1.

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Two committees at the field at Clarenceville. The Spatians are very rested from their throe-week layoff since getting waxed by Division 8 champion Mendon. The Trojans are still shell-shocked from their 490 loss to Jackson Luman Christu.

And at first, Borgess takes over – using a 22-yard touchdown run by Darryl Anglin and 2-yard run by Jason Smith – for a 12-0 load by the half.

But in this second. Store Modows picks off a Deluan Kes pass and returns it for a touchdown and Pate Shaw's oxta point cuts it to 12-7.

Coach Greg Hudkins pults a trick out of his bag, pulls off an onside kick and, two plays later, Ilm Shaw rambles 42 yards for a score and a 14-12 lead.

In the first minute Borgess drives down to the Trojans '22 with a first and 10. Three straight tuning on the just to produce are yo from Gordon Pletries at the goal-line by Jeff Floretti, elitowing Crainnewille to advance with a 14-12 win.

FIRST HOUND DAME 2.

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Ply. Centon at Westland John Glenn
Two of the top teams in the Western
Lakes have to wait unit December for
their first meeting and it's worth the

wait.

Once again, John Glenn's offense sputters early in the game and the Rockets punt on every first-half possession. But their defense makes up for what the offense tacks and holds Canton to just a 24-yard field goal by Dutch Morrell.

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The Chiefs make it 10-0 in the third quarter with Reggie Joiner sheking a character with Reggie Joiner sheking a character of the part of th

route to a 92-yard TD run.

The second half is a punting battle. A slight rain turns Kraft Field into a swamp and enither team can get footing and the game is played between the 30s as CC moves into the finals with a 28-7 win.

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John Glann at Karrásen
The senior of the Western Lekes
title game proves to be no match again.
Glann gamely tries to hang with the
Hawks, but winds up getting shut out
38-0 with Marcus Woods rushing for 10s of 10 and 2 yards and Drew Stanton
running for an Byard score and passing
for two more TDs to Agim Shabol;
However, Stanton wienches a knee
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make the finals, they weren't hosting
the game. Kraft Field was a mess; Pjymouth-Canton schools declined, saying
they wanted to save the grass for soccer.

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Livenia Public Schools administrators
felt that activities such as a championship would set a dangerous proceder
for their middle school students, who
are only allowed to play inframural
sports. Thurston dight want to rent the
field out and Garden City administrators
said that they dight want to rent the
field for a game with a feelfood school
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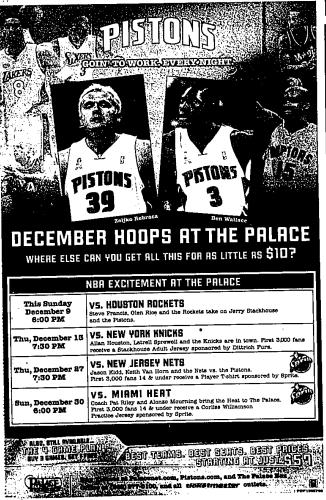
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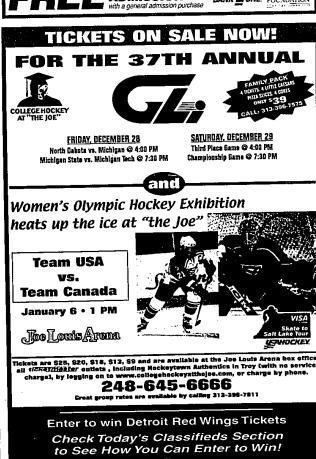
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to fix the field," said Borgess ethicitic infector Rodnoy Geter." And besides, we can use the gate money to fix the fonce that surrounds the field.

A standing-room only clowd of 2,000 surrounded the field at Borgess expecting to watch a battle for the egos. But Stanton's knee places him on cruches, Shabbij moves to quarterback and Mike Bartley takes his place at florier. PC isn't unscathed either. PC Rogowski tried coming back from surgery too soon and he is replaced at







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