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"They're a solid team," Perrin said of the Rockets. "In the second game, we were beating them and then we relaxed."

"They didn't think they could beat us until we started to relax. Tonight was Senior Night for them, and they were a little pumped up."

The first game was closer than the score indicates, he added, as the Falcons got many of their points off blocks.

Farmington kept surging to a lead and Glenn rallying in the second game until Farmington finally won the match.

"If we don't see them the rest of the year, that will be too soon," Perrin said. "The more you play a team the more they learn about you than you learn

about them if you're the favorite."

"We played well; we kept our focus. It wasn't an outstanding match for us, but a win is a win."

Young was 10-of-10 hitting with five kills and Gauer 8-of-8 with four kills; Gauer also had five blocks and Janowicz two; Brown had 11 assists and two kills, and Young had three digs. Kimmel had two kills, six digs and 13 service points, including four aces.

"They had all sorts of trouble with her serve," Perrin said of Kimmel. "It makes for a good lineup for us when she's serving."

"Her serve is a little unorthodox. It just rises and never really drops; it always handcuffs people. As a player, I never ran into

anybody who served quite like her."

Patriots upset Raiders

North Farmington was stunned by a loss Monday night to last-place Livonia Franklin, 15-17, 15-5, 10-15.

The Western Lakes Activities Association setback left the Raiders with a 7-3 conference record. It was the first victory in nine WLA matches for the host Patriots.

"Obviously, it's a very disappointing loss," North coach Deb Calanchi. "We were missing a few starters who are on vacation."

"It's tough to play over vacation, but I thought we had prepared well and knew not to take them lightly because they had nothing to lose."

(The Patriots) were just fired up and scrappy. We didn't have anyone step up, really, and turn things around. We came back after the first loss, and I thought we were ready to roll in Game 3.

"We stopped running our offense. We played sidout volleyball and we tipped, and you're not going to win games playing like that."

North's Meghan Callahan and

Elina Pilnits had 10 kills apiece. Brittany Pajewski added two kills in the second game. Melissa Traczyk served five aces in the match, Callahan and Ashley Lynch three each.

"In Game 2, we looked awesome and we were attacking the ball," Calanchi said. "We did it right in the second game. In the third game, we just didn't play aggressively."

"Elina Pilnits was crushing the ball in that game, but we missed some key serves. It was 1-1 for a long time and that hurt us."

"We played sidout volleyball and we tipped. The other team hit, but they didn't really hit hard. We were able to defend it, but we kept tipping it back."

Warriors spike Trojans

Lutheran High Westland's slate remains clean in the Metro Conference after a 15-12, 15-8 victory Tuesday over visiting Livonia Clarencville.

Stephanie Ericson and Bethany Slesoff combined for eight kills as the Warriors improved to 17-6-5 overall and 6-0 in the conference. Heather Ross served 12 points.



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North volleyball: Elina Pilnits keeps the play alive for the Raiders in their match Monday night at Livonia Franklin.

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good we had the big lead.

"In the second game, we woke up and (Divine Child) kinda shook the hornet's nest. Divine Child didn't play well, and we were the main reason."

"We're a big blocking team and they started tipping instead of swinging. The end result was Tessa (Kuykendall), Anne (Roosevelt) and Deldre (Jones) took over, and we put it away."

Kuykendall led the Marlins with 12 kills and eight blocks. Roosevelt had seven kills, Loris four and Christine Ohman three.

Jones assisted on 28 kills; Roosevelt served six aces and Loris three; Ohman also had three blocks.

With the 6-foot-3 Kuykendall leading the way, Morey dominated the semifinal with Notre Dame Prep. She had 11 kills and

six blocks.

"She's making sure other people have to play up to (good) players," Ruhl said. "Due to her height and the way she plays, she can take over a match."

"She's keeping the game at a different level; she's keeping it away from the 5-9 girls. She's actually playing over them, and that's a good thing for us."

Loris also had seven kills and one block. Roosevelt served seven aces. Loris had three and Jones, who had 18 assists, two.

"The defense was important, too," Ruhl said. "Stephanie Yuhasz passed well all day and made some incredible digs."

"She's the reason we had so many swings at the ball, because she was getting second and third attempts for us."

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Farmington Unified had a good win in its first hockey game Friday to put the Flyers in the championship game of the Marquette Invitational.

The Flyers defeated Negaunee, a semifinalist in the Division I state tournament last year, 7-4.

Farmington had to settle for second place, however, after losing to the host Redmen in the final Saturday, 7-2.

Marquette "came out flying," according to Flyers coach Mike Harris, and took a 4-0 lead after one period. The Redmen had three power-play goals in the game to Farmington's one.

It was also a rough, penalty-filled game, he added.

"They play a different brand of hockey up there," Harris said. "There are a lot of things they do that I don't think they'd get away

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with down here.

"They call it a little looser up there. We're not used to playing that hack-and-whack game. I'm not making excuses; they did outplay us."

"We took a lot of penalties, which were really retaliation penalties and, even in some cases, self-defense."

After giving up four goals in the opening period, the Flyers made some adjustments and "had a great chalk-talk," Harris said.

Farmington won the second period, 2-1. Keith Hay scored at 5:45 from Brad Heroghty and Jeff Tosolin; following a fifth Marquette goal, Mike Hand made it 5-2 with assists from Louie Powell and Brian Baron at 13:09. The Redmen got two more in the third.

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