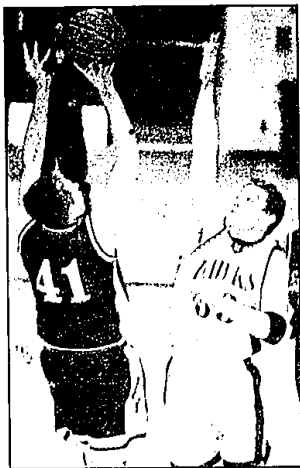


High-five: Dave Condeni goes up against Salem's Andy Boyer.



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## Raiders get serious in 3rd, rout Patriots

North Farmington used a big third quarter to gain a decisive victory over host Livonia Franklin in boys basketball Tuesday, 63-46.

The Raiders outscored the Patriots in the third, 22-9. That, combined with a 29-24 halftime lead, gave them a 51-33 advantage.

"We weren't real happy with the intensity level in the first half," North assistant coach Pete Mantyla said.

Head coach Tom Negoshian "gave a pretty good" motivational speech at halftime, he added.

The Raiders were up by eight points in the final minute of the second quarter. But a turnover led to a Franklin triple, and the Patriots added a free throw before the half expired.

"We worked hard to make a run at the end of the half, and we gave half of it back right away," Mantyla said. "We weren't happy going into the locker room."

### BASKETBALL

"Our intensity was a lot better on defense (in the third quarter)."

North's Mike Leach and Earle Higgins Jr. scored six points apiece and Sean Mackler five in the third quarter. Jason Neal made two layups off turnovers at the end of the period. Leach finished with a game-high 22 points; Mackler had 10, Marcus McComb nine and Higgins eight.

Higgins also was on the receiving end of a school-record four charges. Leach had eight rebounds and McComb six steals. Chris Austin scored 19 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lead Franklin. Hassan Amad added 11 points; Matt Austin chipped in eight points and 10 rebounds.

The Raiders are 9-7 overall and 6-4 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. The Patriots are 2-8 and 3-13. Each team attempted 21 free throws; Franklin made 16 and North 12.

"They just wear you down the way they play," Franklin coach John Santi said. "We didn't play well on the defensive end. We were 1-of-8 from three-point range and 14-for-34 inside the arc."

CANTON 67, FARMINGTON 27: Sophomore D.J. Bridges scored a game-high 18 points to lead Plymouth Canton to the WLAA victory Tuesday.

Seniors Jason Priebe and Andrew Meagrow added 13 points apiece for the Chiefs, who are 6-4 in the WLAA and 9-7 overall. Dru Frechette had 12 points to lead Farmington (0-10, 1-14). Canton led 30-11 at halftime.

CLARENCEVILLE 63, LUTHERAN EAST 49: Junior Glenn Garratt had 17 points and 10 rebounds Tuesday as host L'Anse-au-Loup Clarenceville (7-8, 4-4) turned back Metro Conference foe Harper Woods Lutheran East (3-11, 0-9).

Junior Pete Shaw contributed 15 points, while senior Tim Shaw chipped in 11 points and 11 rebounds. Karl Kadufsky scored 13 for Eagles, who trailed 33-24 at halftime and 47-39 after three quarters. The Trojans committed only eight turnovers.

"We played kind of flat, and we didn't

play hard," Clarenceville coach Kevin Murphy said. "Defensively, we were slow footed and, rebounding-wise, we did not do a good job."

REDFORD CC 70, SOUTHWESTERN 50: Senior forward Ryan Clark scored 21 points and senior point guard Ryan Wroblewski added 18 Monday to lead Redford Catholic Central (13-14) past visiting Detroit Southwestern (3-12). D'Andre Haynes led the Prospects and all scores with 23 points. Robert Swain added 12.

CC led 43-30 at halftime and pulled away from Southwestern with a 19-7 fourth-quarter run.

REDFORD CC 59, RICE 54: CC wrapped up the second seed in the Catholic League playoffs with a Central Division victory Friday at Birmingham Brother Rice (2-14, 1-7).

Tom Jakacki led the Shamrocks (5-3 Central) with 15 points. Jeff Hienem and Steve Wasil contributed 14 and 12, respectively.

Brad Brinkman led the Warriors, who trailed 45-42 after three quarters, with a game-high 22.

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"That," said Turnquist of his team's shooting, "has been our Achilles' heel." "We have improved so much over the last three weeks, but we still don't finish our possessions the way we should."

Harrison, which was hampered by the loss of Matt Elsey — one of the team's top scorers — to foul trouble midway through the second quarter (he was in and out of the lineup in the second half), was still in the hunt. The Hawks deficit was just 30-22 at the half, and they narrowed that to six on two Joe McElroy free throws in the opening minute of the third quarter.

But they were never able to find their scoring touch.

"I wanted them to continue to move the ball in the second half," Turnquist said, "but I wanted them to take mid-range jump shots. I felt, if we could do that in the second half, we had a chance. "But they just didn't do it."

No, they didn't. Salem had too many weapons, with Brodie shuffling 10 players into the lineup.

After McElroy's free throws, Hoskins scored six-straight

points in the third quarter to push Salem's lead to 12. The Rocks' lead eventually reached 40-26 with under two minutes left in the quarter when Harrison got a pair of triples, one by Terrell Mayberry and the other by Jeff Ross, trimming Salem's lead to 41-32 entering the fourth.

The Rocks hardly stormed to the finish line. They made just 3-of-10 fourth-quarter floor shots, and were only 3-of-7 at the stripe. But Harrison wasn't any better, converting 5-of-13 from the field and 1-of-6 free throws in the period. Even though Salem scored just one point in the last 3:30, the Hawks could not mount much of a rally, scoring seven points in that period.

"We played some real good defense," Brodie said. "We've got some depth in there. That allows you to play at an intense level the whole game."

Pat Abraham added 10 points and Stevland Davis nine for Salem. McElroy topped Harrison with 16 points; Ross was next best with eight.

Now all the Rocks need to maintain that intensity Friday

against Farmington, the WLAA's last-place team, and they'll be assured of at least a league co-championship. Salem is 10-6 overall, 8-2 in the conference. The loss left Harrison at 8-7 overall, 5-4 in the WLAA.

"Those guys could jump up and bite us," Brodie said of the Falcons.

That is first-hand knowledge; Salem's two league losses have come against Stevenson (which is 7-3) and Walled Lake Central, a team with just two other wins this season.

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