## Stingy defense lifts Hawks to hoop win

A good defensive effort in the third quarter Thursday enabled Farmington Harrison to defeat visiting Waterford Mott in girls basketball, 45-35. The Hawks trailed by a point

The Hawks trailed by a point at halftime, 24-23, but outscored the Corsairs in the third quarter, 13-2, Each team had nine points in the finale. Maggie Condeni scored 17 points and hauled down eight rebounds to lead Harrison, 21 in Division II of the Oakland Activities Association and 3-2 overall.

overall.
Jessica Condeni, who had 13 rebounds, and Stephanie Zak added seven points apiece.
Maggie Condeni and Catie Ross

had four steals each.
"We had some big contribu-tions off the bench," Harrison coach Pete Mantyla said.
"Stephanle had two big threes in the second quarter, and Kristen Ternes made a three and a two back-to-back in the

"It was nice to finally make ome shots late in the (third) quarter. I thought our effort was great, defensively, in the second half. "We were frustrated early,

"We were frustrated early, because we were getting good shots and couldn't finish. We did a nice job of hanging in and not getting too frustrated when we weren't playing well early."

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Harrison made 16 of 32 free
throws and Mott 13 of 24,
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## Depleted Blue Jays overcome Raiders

With two regulars not available, Southfield girls basketball coach Ben Kelso told the rest of his team it had an opportunity Thursday night to step up. They did just that as the Blue Jays tripped up visiting North Farmington in an Oakland Activities Association Division II contest, 50–35.

The other players stepped up when they had the chance and that's what it's all about in high school athletics, 'Kelso said. Southfield led 15–5 after one quarter and 27-17 at halftime. But in the third quarter, the Blue Jays completely dominated, outscoring the Ruiders 18–0. The spark during that run was provided by senior guards Kandace Evans and Kineta Thylor, who scrambled for loose balls and forced turnovers that led to baskets.

The victory came without both senior point guard Jazmin Williamson and senior forward Jaria Atkins. A third regular -junior forward Melissa Stroud vent down with an ankle sprain

went down with an analysis of the second quarter.
That didn't deter Evans, Taylor and the other Blue Jay players from hustling all over the floor,

forcing a number of errant Raider shots and dominating in the rebounding department. Evans led the sooring for the night with 16 points, while Taylor scored 13 points and grabbed nine rebounds. Southfield senior forward Kerya Sutton was outstanding with 17 rebounds and eight points. But Kelso also praised sophormore forward/center Barb Willobee for playing well on defense against 6-3 North Farmington forward Kristin MeErlean. Willobee also came through with eight points, with all four of her baskets following offensive rebounds. 1 saw improvement in some people, like Barb Willobee, Kelso said. 17 saw harb practicing in the gym by herself the other day and site played much better tonight on defense. And she got some offensive rebounds and put them in. Kelso could'11 saw improvement in some people, like Barb Willobee, Kelso said. 17 saw Barb practicing in the gym by herself the other day and site played much better tonight on defense. And she got some offensive rebounds and put them in. Kelso couldn't help but mention the job turned in by Sutton. Just think of how well Kenya Sutton played tonight. North Farmington was led by

"Just think of how well Kenya Sutton played tonight." North Farmington was led by Brittany Pajewski, with 12 points, while Christy Stockton added eight. The leading Raider rebounder was Alexis Clayton, with six. According to Raider head

coach Tim Carruthers, it was dif-ficult for his team to slow down the Southfield attack and keep his squad within reach. North Farmington was also without a key player in senior guard Jehan Hindu.

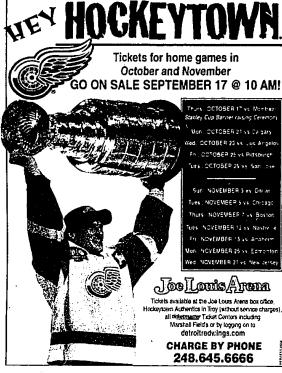
"I thought we started out well,"
Carruthers said. "But obviously
they're an excellent team and we
struggled to do that for 32 min-

struggled to do that for 32 minutes."

Carruthers noted that his team (1-3, 1-2 in OAA II) needs to hold opponents to no more than 40 points in order to be successful this season. Both Kelso and Carruthers emptied their benches in the fourth quarter, which began with Southfield enlyoing a heity 45-47 lead following the Blue Jay's third quarter scoring spree. The first North Farmington points of the second half came with 5:10 left in the game, when Clayton sank a field goal from the top of the key. "The kids played hard, even that unit at the end," Carruthers said. "I'm proud of how they played." Southfield (3-1, 2-1 in OAA II) will visit Waterford Mott at 7

will visit Waterford Mott at 7 p.m. Tuesday, while North Farmington travels to Oak Park, for a game 7 p.m. Tuesday

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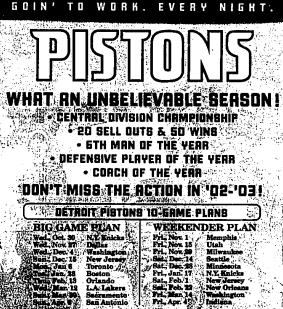
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