



WL Central coming up

# Pontiac Northern rally robs North Farmington

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The North Farmington-Walled Lake Central football game, set for Friday night on Central's field, could be a defensive struggle if last weekend's games are any indication.

North showed some good defense before coming in to a Pontiac Northern rally and losing, 22-12, last Saturday. Central crushed Milford High, 21-0, allowing the opposition just 20 yards on the ground and none through the air.

"I haven't seen Central play, but I know they have a large team and they're very physical on defense," said North Farmington Coach Ron Holland. Holland also has to worry about Central's offense, led by quarterback Tim Reed and running back Kevin Chynoweth, who gained 30 yards and scored all three Central touchdowns against Milford.

"I think we have to work on getting the right people in the right places, and also on being a little more consistent over four quarters of play," Holland added. "And we have to work on developing a more positive attitude."

Against Northern, North Farmington's Patek brothers, John and Paul, provided first-quarter touchdowns to give the Raiders a 12-0 lead going into the second stanza. But then Coach Dave Schmidt's Northern

squad scored a touchdown in the second quarter and two more in the second half.

PAUL PATEK scored on a 25-yard run, and John tallied in a five-yard scamper. Both extra-point kicks failed.

Northern cut the lead to five points in the second quarter, when quarterback Tommy Chapple passed to Mark Love for a 34-yard scoring play. Tom Firman kicked the extra point.

In the second half, things really started to sour for the Raiders. On Northern's first play from scrimmage, Butch Bard dashed 30 yards to set up the Huskies' go-ahead TD, a one-yard plunge by Chapple. Bard then threw to Daryle Herring for the conversion points, which gave Northern a 15-12 lead.

Another big play set up Northern's insurance touchdown in the fourth quarter. Bard tossed to Herring, the play covering 30 yards giving Northern good field position.

"It was a halfback pass and we didn't quite see the kid slipping down the middle," Holland said.

Two plays later, Bard cracked over from the one-yard line. Firman kicked the PAT.

"Basically, Northern wasn't doing anything differently in the second half," Holland said. "It was just a matter of our not executing very well. We got tired and missed a few assignments."

"And we didn't tackle very well. We didn't come across defensively like we did in the first half."

Farmington gained 113 yards on the ground and 41 on four pass completions in eight tries. North's Paul Patek, a junior, was the game's leading rusher with 80 yards in 15 carries.

Northern's victory over North was its first since 1967. Holland wasn't discouraged by the opening loss. "If we play like we did in the first half, I'd be encouraged with our opportunities," he said.

The NFHS-Central game begins at 8 p.m. at Central, 2978 S. Commerce Road. In other games this Friday (Sept. 19), Farmington High plays at West Bloomfield, and Southfield-Lathrup plays at Ferndale High. On Saturday (Sept. 20), Birmingham Groves plays at Farmington Harrison at 2 p.m., and Southfield High takes on Birmingham Brother Rice on Birmingham Seaholm's field at 8 p.m.



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	PN	NFHS
First downs rushing	12	7
First downs passing	2	2
First downs penalty	1	0
Yards rushing	102	113
Yards passing	82	41
Yards penalty	37	44
Plays completed	128	122
Fumbles-No lost	43	31
Penalties-yards lost	4-30	7-50
Positive Northern	7	7
N Farmington	12	0

#### Scoring

N Farmington—Paul Patek 26 run—kick failed.  
N Farmington—John Patek 5 run—kick failed.  
Northern—Mark Love 34 pass from Tommy Chapple. Tom Firman kick.  
Northern—Chapple 1 run (Daryle Herring pass from Butch Bard).  
Northern—Bard 1 run (Firman kick).

### Southfield very much improved

## Jays get another crack at Brother Rice II

After sitting in on Southfield High's gridiron victory over Birmingham Groves last weekend, Brother Rice Coach Al Fracassa and his aides hardly envision a repeat of last year's 41-7 romp over the Blue Jays when the two clubs renew their rivalry Saturday night.

"Southfield is very much improved over last year, with a tough defense and a nice passing game we're concerned about," said Fracassa in going over his personal scouting notes after watching the Blue Jays edge Birmingham Groves in the season's opener, 7-6.

Despite the respect he voices for the upcoming foe, Fracassa in no way hides the pride he takes in his own club which ran the Brother Rice football winning streak to 15 by smothering Bay City Central 36-0 in the Warriors' opener.

After winning the last five games on the 1973 schedule and then going 9-0 to win all the State Class A championship popularity polls last fall, the Warriors will be trying to make Southfield the 16th straight victim when they clash at 8 p.m. Saturday on the Birmingham Seaholm High School gridiron.

"WE HAVE the potential to be just as good as last year," said Fracassa. "but we're not there yet."

"We were able to get out in front early against Bay City by taking advantage of their mistakes. Kevin Haffey recovered a Central fumble in their end zone early in the game for our first score, and still in the first quarter Mike Cullen went in from the 10 after we had recovered another bobble. Before the game was over we had recovered all four of Bay City's fumbles and that helped."

The only real fault Fracassa could find in the opener came from the fact that Bay City was able to sustain a long march against Rice's defensive regulars late in the ball game, finally losing possession on a fumble only a yard from the Rice end zone.

In addition to the first pair of touchdowns by Haffey and Cullen, the Warriors also put points on the board with tallies by Terry Simmons on a 20-yard pass from Don Hendricks, Jim Wilberding's 15-yard sprint and another power drive from Cullen.

FRACASSA MAKES no bones about rating Cullen as "the best running back I've ever had in 10 years of coaching," and calls the 5'4", 167-pound senior "the best back in the state this fall."

"He can do it all—run, block, throw, you name it—and he has exceptional speed. He carried 12 times for 141 yards against Bay City, and will be one of our mainstays against Southfield."

Now in his seventh year at Brother Rice, Fracassa not only has enough depth to warrant using only two regulars in the double duty of both offense and defense, but he has a backfield unit that has played together four seasons.

Hendricks at quarterback showed his mettle by completing five of seven passes against Bay City, and rounding out the quartet with Cullen are Mark Warner and K. C. Ryan. Together they make Fracassa the envy of his coaching colleagues throughout Michigan.

### Sports coming up

- Football**
- Friday (Sept. 19) Farmington High at West Bloomfield, 6825 Orchard Lake Road, 8 p.m.
  - Friday (Sept. 19) Southfield-Lathrup at Ferndale High, 801 Placerest, 8 p.m.
  - Friday (Sept. 19) North Farmington at Walled Lake Central, 2978 South Commerce Road, 8 p.m.
  - Saturday (Sept. 20) Birmingham Groves at Farmington Harrison, 2980 Twelve Mile Road, 2 p.m.
  - Saturday (Sept. 20) Southfield High at Birmingham Brother Rice, Birmingham Seaholm High School, 3028 W. Lincoln, 8 p.m.
- Cross Country**
- Thursday (Sept. 19) Walled Lake Central at Farmington High, 2980 Shawansee Road, 4 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) Southfield High at Birmingham Seaholm, 3028 W. Lincoln, 4:30 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) Bloomfield Hills Laker at Southfield-Lathrup, Lawrence Institute of Technology, Ten Mile Road and Northwestern Hwy., 4 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) North Farmington at Livonia Franklin, 2980 Joy Road, 4 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) Farmington Harrison at Livonia Churchill, 2980 Newburgh Road, 4 p.m.
  - Saturday (Sept. 20) Farmington High, Farmington Harrison and North Farmington in Schoolcraft Invitational, site and starting time to be determined.
- Golf**
- Thursday (Sept. 19) Thornton High at North Farmington, course to be determined, 2:30 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) Farmington Harrison at Walled Lake Western, Bay Pointe Country Club, 6801 Haggerty, 2:30 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) Farmington High at Walled Lake Central, Edgewood Golf Club, Commerce and Union Lake roads, 2:30 p.m.
  - Friday (Sept. 19) North Farmington at Walled Lake Western, Bay Pointe Country Club, 6801 Haggerty, 2:30 p.m.
- Girls' Swimming**
- Thursday (Sept. 19) St. Clair Shores Laker at Farmington Our Lady of Mercy, Claren Hill and Middlebrook roads, 7 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) Walled Lake Central at Farmington High, 2980 Shawansee, 4 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) North Farmington at Walled Lake Western, 680 Beck, 4 p.m.
- Baseball**
- Thursday (Sept. 19) Ferndale High at Southfield Christian, 2980 Laker, 4:30 p.m.
  - Thursday (Sept. 19) West Bloomfield at

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