

Mercy's Kalue McNamara (15) shoots above a forest of arms during the Canton game

'Things look better' at Harrison

Depth, savvy could help Hawks

"Things look better this year," said Sutter, whose team opens its season on Tuesday at non-league Oak Park High "We have quite a few kids back from last year, especially our front

	larrison Basketball	
Dec 2	at Oak Park	8 m.
Dec 5	at N. Farmington	8 pm
Dec 12	Northville	# pm
Dec 16	Farmington	8 pm
Dec 19	at W.L. Western	8 pm
Dec 22 23	Tournament	Jan 6
Highland Park		8 p.m
Jan. 9	Churchill	98 .m
an 16	Plymouth Canton	# m.
Jan. 20	at Thurston	8 m.
Jan. 23	at Mott	8 p m
lan 27	Kettering	8 pm
Jan. 39	at Northville	fipm
Feb 3	at Seabolm	8 pm
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Feb 13	at Chruchill	8 m
Feb 17	Franklin	8 p m
Feb 20	at Plymouth Canton	8 p.m
Feb 27	Mott	8 pm

Steinhaus: league champ

Steinhaus, unbeaten in Farmington Touch Football League play, won the league playoff by beating Mike & Tom Pub. 20-19. Nov. 23 at Farmington City Park Earlier in the playoffs. Steinhaus stopped Boltons, 19-12

Area tankers pace Eastern

Two area swimmers belied Eastern Michigan University make a strong showing in the Michigan Collegate Swimming Relays at Central Michigan University Nov. 22 Buck Crosthwatte, a freshman who graduated from Southfield-Lathrup, swam on Eastern's 409-yard freestyle relay, which won in 3.1932. Bruce Hawell, a sophomore from Farmington Harrison, swam a leg on Eastern's 400-yard medley relay, which finished second in 3.0070

the guard spots."

Sutter is sure to miss 64. Bob Mason, who led the team in rebounds last season. "Mason was a horse in there, but we have a kid from the reserves, Brian Gilbert, who is really working hard." Sutter said "lies 65 and should help us a lot. He plays much the same same type of game as Mason did."

Harrison's two leading scorers. Mark Brozak 1641 and Mike Styles 16
31, are among the returnees Lou Vulaj 1621, who's "pretty strong and jumps real well," according to Satter, and Jeff Otto 1600, who's beginning has third year on the variety, complete Harrison's starting unit

Team depth could be a factor in Harrison's success this season, accord-ing to Sutter

"I really feel that we have a great bench." he said "We have some good juniors like Larry Furnp 1621 and Greg Mithaik 1621 i hope to be more agressive this year because of our bench Last year, we had to be a little careful, especially at the guard spots

HARRISON, WHICH compiled a 5-5 record in the Western Sx League last year, opens league play at hôme on Dec 12 against defending champion Northville High Last season. Harrison upset Northville on the Mustangs'

court "I think Livonia Churchill looks good in the league this season." Sut-ter said "They had a bad season last year, but they have some good people back Waterford Mott also looks good. They beat us twice last season, and they were playing quite a few jun-sors."

And Sutter isn't counting Harrison out of the league race.

"I believe we have a chance to win the league," he said "Our kids will be tough if they can learn to play to-gether and believe in themselves."

Harrison has a tough non-league game on Jan 6 when Highland Park, the Class A state champion, invades the Hawkis gym Last year, Highland Park slaughtered Harrison, 94-53, at



HARRISON CAGE COACH, BOR STITTER

Mercy rips Canton, wins district title

One matchup in the Warren Fitz-gerald girls' basketball regional should prove interresing to Southfield and Farmington fars. On Thursday, Dec. Farmington Our Lady of Mercy will play South-field high School at 730 pm. Both Southfield and Mercy added district tules to their fine seasons last were Southfield dereated Allen Park to win its own district, while Mercy stopped Plymouth Canton. 52:20. to take the Farmington High district. "I'm not taking Southfield lightly—

"I'm not taking Southfield lightly— I.m not taking any team lightly at this point," said Larry Baker, Mercy's first-year coach who has guided the Marlins to a 182 record this season.

The Mercy-Canton game was no contest right from the start. Mercy established a 227-lead after one quarter and then outscored Canton. 40-22, for the remainder of the game Mercy's zone press, used for the first half, turned the trick, according to Baker "Our press forced a lot of Canton

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"We like to play Highland Park."

Satter said. "Darrell Pursful is a great coach lie does a great po with his kids. Playing against a team like Highland Park, with their quickness and their ability, has to help us. Being destroyed by them might hurt our confidence, but overall playing them has

Neil Redford will coach Harrison's reserve team this season

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turnovers," he said. "But we turned the ball over a lot, too Canton was a very scrappy team—very agressive Canton gave us our toughest tourna-

Carson gave us our toughtes tourisment game?

Merey's K.D. Harte continued her impressive scoring with 18 pourts on seven field goals and four free thippers She's been a consistent scorer all season and has been elegated feetive in the district, providing a total of 43 points in the three games.

"She's been playing very good ball," Baker said. "She's very quick and she drives to the basted very well. She also has a very quick jump shot. She gets it off very quickly.

She's scored well in the tournaments because she does well with our fast break. She also does well against a man-to-man defense because of her quickness.

Miss Harte had plenty of scoring help Lynn Yadach and Diane Dietz added 10 and eight points respective.

added 10 and eight points respective. Earlier Last week, Mercy defeated Wayne Memorial, 75.20, to advance to the district final Katie McNamara scored 13 points for the winners, and tearimate Leslie Sims added 19 Mercy raced to a 17.2 lead after the first quarter to put the game out of reach



Lynn Yadach (52) looks worried, but her team had no problems with Canton

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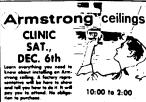
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