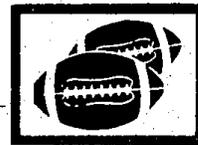


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## W. Bloomfield duo shoots down Hawks



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Josh Koby and Matt Domke acted out their version of "The Rainmaker" when the curtain was raised Tuesday on the 1990-91 boys basketball season.

A pair of long-range shooting guards, the West Bloomfield duo rained threes on visiting Farmington Hills Harrison as the Lakers debuted with a 66-55 victory.

Koby, a 6-foot-5 senior who signed early with Eastern Michigan, and Domke did most of their damage in the first half when West Bloomfield bolted to a 10-point halftime lead.

Koby scored 18 of his game-high 22 points before halftime and Domke, a 6-2 sophomore, 15 of his 19. Each player made three triples, and teammate Kurt Angst made one as the Lakers totaled seven rainbows in the first half.

"I was glad Matt started off early," Koby said. "He was looking for his shot, and that took the pressure off me. I just got the open shot when they played off me."

**THE THREES** and free throws enabled the Lakers to pull away midway in the second quarter and take control of the game.

Harrison center Paul Gliwiydis was a force on the defensive boards at the start, and forward Blazo Sarcevec was effective at the offensive end, scoring 11 of his 13 points early in the game.

"Our big guys were intimidated by their big guys," West Bloomfield coach Tim Domke said. "I think that's what was going on in the second quarter. We probably wouldn't have had the lead if we didn't start hitting some threes."

Triples by Matt Domke broke ties of 17-17 and 24-24, and the Lakers stayed in front after the second.

Koby made his third triple as West Bloomfield outscored the Hawks 11-2 to end the half and lead 38-28 at the intermission. The Lakers also made 10 of 12 free throws in the second quarter, most of them by Domke and Koby, of course.

"I think they're both real good players," coach Domke said. "It's a hard thing for me to say as the coach because he is my son, but I think people can see that."

"I THINK Koby and Matt can go inside, but they played a zone so you have to beat it from the perimeter. What places me is all the kids are in good shape and they work hard."

Koby and Domke scored only four additional points each in the second half, Koby getting the duo's lone field goal of the second half after the Hawks went to a triangle-and-one defense.

"It looks like we should have done it in the first half," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said. "Domke is a much improved player, Koby — we know what things he can do and he did them."

"When you're working with a young team (eight juniors), you tell them they have to guard the three-point shooters. But they think, when they're within six feet of them, that's guarding them but it isn't."

The Lakers got more production from their big men in the second half and didn't need as much offense from Koby and Domke.

West Bloomfield's front-court players were more assertive at the outset of the third quarter, and the Lakers scored the first six points from the low post, boosting their lead to 44-28.

SIX-FOOT-6½ junior Scott Zack and 6-6 sophomore Harley Marks tossed in their game totals of six points apiece in the second half and 6-3 senior Richard Johnson his four.

"We went crazy on our big guys (at halftime), because they have to be physical down there," Tim Domke said. "We also didn't want to start shooting threes in the second half when we had a lead. You can lose with that jump shot, too."

Harrison's Andy Smith, a 6-3 senior, scored 11 of his team-leading 18 points (including two triples) in the second half. Mike Pesci, who replaced Gliwiydis in the second quarter when the latter got his second foul, added six points.

"Probably, what we did wrong was give the other guys layups in the second half," Teachman said, "because Smith and (Dan) Hight played (Koby and Domke) even in the second half."

Smith's second triple capped a run of seven unanswered points and got the Hawks within 46-38 with 1½ minutes left in the third quarter. The Lakers went into the final period leading 50-38 and never let the margin dip below nine points.

Harrison never got into an offensive flow after the first quarter, and Gliwiydis, who missed most of the second, was not an offensive factor with four points.

"Our inside people were stepping away from the ball, which allowed (West Bloomfield) to step in and take the ball," Teachman said. "You have to step to the pass."

Dan Hight drives around Randy Wertheimer of West Bloomfield in the season opener Tuesday. The host Lakers defeated Harrison 66-55

behind the scoring of Josh Koby and Matt Domke.

## Shamrocks rally to beat Wayne

By Brad Emons  
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Redford Catholic Central jumped out of the basket Tuesday, pulling off a miraculous season-opening 68-55 basketball victory over host Wayne Memorial, spoiling Dan Henry's debut as coach.

The Shamrocks, who spluttered throughout much of the game, put on a furious rally in the final five minutes after being down by as many as 13 points early in the fourth quarter.

CC outscored Wayne 28-13 in the final eight minutes.

"I thought we were dead," said CC coach Bernie Holowiecki. "I think we stole one. We went with our '80 deny' (press). We were in it earlier, but this time it worked. And then we made three excellent plays in a row."

The first pivotal play for CC occurred with 3:27 remaining.

Bob Kummer, CC's 6-foot-5 junior who is making the transition from center to point-guard this season, scored on a drive, colliding on his way to the basket with Wayne's Greg Hartman, who was called for blocking.

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ry, who claimed it was a charge, with a technical foul.

Given three free throws, two because of the bench technical, Kummer connected twice. The four-point play pulled CC within three, 58-55.

The 6-1 Hartman, who led Wayne with 20 points, then answered with a baseline drive and scored again to put the Zebras ahead by seven, 62-55, with 2:28 to play.

But it all unraveled for Wayne in the final 2:11. CC's Steve Whitlow, who led all scorers with 30 points, scored six straight points, including a four-point play with 1:47 left.

And it didn't help when the Zebras failed to convert a wide-open layup during the CC run.

The 6-4 Whitlow hit a short baseline shot over the outstretched arms of Wayne's 6-1 forward Greg Hartman. The senior also went to the line for a one-and-one, converting both, when officials ruled that he was fouled after the shot.

Now trailing by only one, 63-62, the Shamrocks' Bob Schneider deflected the in-bounds pass and hurled the ball over his head as he was flying out of play to Kummer, who converted a layup (with 1:36 to play) to give CC its first lead since the second quarter.

CC STOLE the ball again with 1:31 to go and Whitlow scored, giving his team a three-point cushion, 65-62.

Barnes cut the deficit to one again, 65-64, with 1:14 to go, but CC came right back on Kummer's back-door layup off the delay game.

Hartman and Schneider traded free throws in the final 29 seconds to make the final count, 68-65.

"The team took it hard, they're a young team and they don't like to lose," Henry said. "It's a tough way to start the season."

Wayne jumped out to a 22-11 first-quarter lead before CC rallied to within three at intermission, 35-32.

The Zebras, despite giving up four to five inches per man, took control of things in the third quarter, opening up a 51-40 advantage.

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## North, Falcons suffer setbacks

North Farmington and Farmington were on the losing end Tuesday in their 1990-91 boys basketball season openers.

Free throws were the difference as host Berkeley edged the Raiders 51-49, and visiting Farmington fell 48-37 to Waterford Kettering after scoring only four points in the last quarter.

The Bears made eight of 14 free throws, and North was 6-of-13 at the line. Both teams made 19 field goals, including five triples apiece.

Senior forward Chris White scored 23 points to lead the Raiders, and 6-6 senior Bill Chwalik had 16 points and 11 rebounds despite playing on an injured ankle.

"We're satisfied," North coach Tom Negoshian said. "We played a lot of untested kids, and they did a good job."

Berkeley was led by Jim Wick with 19 points and Darnon Works with 12. Farmington led 22-15 at halftime, but the Captains outscored the Falcons 19-11 in the third quarter to take a 34-33 lead.

Kettering, using a press successfully in the second half, closed the door with a 14-4 fourth period.

Senior guard Rob Cook led Farmington with eight points. Tad Smith scored a game-high 18 for the winners.

## Falcons optimistic with veteran wrestling team



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There's no question morale is high among Farmington High School wrestlers entering the 1990-91 season.

Although the Falcons had a 3-13 record — 0-5 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association — last season, they are expected to be the frontrunners for the WLA A title.

"We took our lumps last year," coach Al Boyar said. "On paper it looks real good for us, considering we return everybody from last year. We'll be a lot better than last year, and we'll take them one at a time."

Leading Farmington's squad will be senior Chris Kreal, who will wrestle in the 155-pound division. He placed third in the WLA A and fourth in the Oakland County meet last season.

Others who will play a major role for the Falcons are Brian Link (130-135), who placed fourth in the WLA A; Joe Goudesoune (140-145); Steve Walter (171) and Larry Nalcheefs, who will wrestle in the heavyweight division where Farmington has been weak in recent years.

"Our returnees will bring us great leadership and some wrestling experience that we haven't had in a long time," Boyar said. "One of the

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Farmington coach Al Boyar anticipates a good year for his wrestling team, which is among the most experienced squads in the area.