

Shamrocks crush Pioneers

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

How much trouble did Ann Arbor Pioneer have Friday night, trying to stop the Bedford Catholic Central offense?

For starters, the Shamrocks averaged 8.3 yards per carry, finishing with 365 yards rushing in a 35-6 non-league football victory at Holway Field in Ann Arbor.

But it was a fourth-down and-19 play in the first half that summed up the Shamrocks' dominance. CC called a timeout and sent senior Judah May onto the field as a slot back.

May got wide open in the Pioneers' secondary, caught a pass from junior quarterback Greg Call at the 7 and went in untouched to put the Shamrocks up 23-0 with 3:25 remaining in the half.

May hasn't run that pattern since his days on the freshman team. It was Call's only completion in two pass attempts.

"It was like a dream come true to catch a pass like that on fourth down," said May, who made a neat fake inside the Pioneers' 5 to finish the play. "I'm proud to say I helped make it happen."

May's catch hurt the Pioneers, but senior fullback John Spolsky administered most of the punishment.

Gang tackling was a necessity, not an option, for the Pioneers against Spolsky, who routinely dragged tacklers for extra yardage.

The 6-foot, 235-pound senior fullback gained a career-high 173 yards on 18 carries and scored on runs of 27 and 1 yard. The Shamrocks also scored on an 8-yard keeper by Call and a 10-yard run by junior tailback Greg Alicia.

CC, led by a bruising offensive line of Mike Smiley, Nick Lachapelle, Jeff Monette, Matt Eyl, James McFarlane and tight end Eric Gilho, capped every possession in the first half with a TD, scoring on drives of 74, 57, 60 and 43 yards.

Spolsky said the Shamrocks weren't satisfied with their 19-7 season-opening victory over Toledo Central Catholic at the Pontiac Silverdome. Pioneer was coming off a 27-14 upset victory over East Lansing, which is rated highly in many Class A polls.

"We were overconfident (prior to the first game); we got the win,

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great, but not the way we wanted it," Spolsky said. "We had an hour-long meeting one day after practice, and decided we wanted to work harder and keep it up for the rest of the season. Like that saying, 'The harder you work, the luckier you get.'"

Junior Millam Brooks had six carries for 55 yards, Call had two carries for 45, and junior fullback Rick Deputala added 30 yards on four carries in the second half.

New Pioneer coach Tony Atines is used to winning these kind of games, not losing them. He had a 72-11 record in eight years at Montrose High School and reached the Class C state semifinals twice. His teams probably didn't allow this much offense in half a season, let alone half a game.

The Pioneers avoided a shutout when Pioneer backup quarterback Christian Chapman scored on a 15-yard run to cap a 64-yard drive with 31 left. CC's backup defensive end Mike Danzack blocked the extra point.

"Forty-six (Spolsky) is a great player; he broke tackles, but we need to get better," Annese said. "Forty-five (Deputala) could have had that amount; number 6 on

Pioneer could have done that playing versus a defense that isn't aggressive and doesn't attack. CC is one of the top teams in the state; they're not ranked because someone made a mistake. Spolsky benches 400. It shows we need to work harder in the off-season."

The Shamrocks had six series set the tone as they needed only four plays to score from their own 26. After gaining 5 yards on his first carry, Spolsky broke two tackles on his second carry that ended 34 yards later at the Pioneer 35.

After an 8-yard run by Brooks, Spolsky burst through the line for a 27-yard score with 7:33 left. The first of five Eron Kosmowski extra points made the score 7-0.

Pioneer picked up 201 total yards, only 37 yards before halftime. The Shamrocks had an interception by senior Tom Valenti disallowed because of a pass interference penalty, one of six penalties called against the Shamrocks compared to none by Pioneer in the first half.

The Shamrocks sacked Pioneer quarterback Andy Hugel twice on the Pioneers' final possession of the first half. Another by Deputala in the same series was taken away because of a CC penalty.

"It was a great team victory," Mach said.



SHARON LEMICIA/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ground game: John Lessway looks for running room as Harrison's Ian Sweet (30) gets into the backfield. North's Kyle Kreson (74) and Andy Lapham (70) are at right.

Pats upset Spartans

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

It was nearly 20 years ago when Livonia Franklin won the state Class A football championship on a busted play to beat Traverse City.

Second-year Franklin head coach Rick Lee still remembers that day vividly — holder Dave Wilson scrambling away and hitting Lee with the game-winning touchdown after a botched field goal attempt.

Saturday's 15-14 home field win for the Patriots against city rival Stevenson had a similar ring to it.

With 9:27 to go and Aaron Smith attempting the extra point to tie at 14-14, holder Dave McMullen couldn't pick up the low ball snap from center that dangerously wobbled along the turf.

The Franklin quarterback, who teamed up with junior halfback Steve Ashby on a 21-yard TD pass (off a screen play) only moments earlier to pull the Patriots out to within one point, was forced to roll out from a host of onrushing Stevenson tacklers.

McMullen, who was 16-of-25 on the day for 178 yards, calmly fired a strike to a wide-open Ashby for the winning points.

Stevenson got inside the Franklin 50 twice down the stretch, including the Patriots 29, but Aaron Smith and John Maddison thwarted one drive with a key pass breakup.

Smith, who was an offensive standout with eight catches for 100 yards, then put the game away, intercepting a Bacheller pass at his own 30 with 1:07 remaining.

Stevenson junior tailback Gade Clark was limited by 47 yards rushing in 12 carries.

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The Hawks held North to 7 yards rushing in the first half and a net total of 20 overall. John Lessway was the North leader with 33 yards on six carries.

"That's two weeks in a row we've played well against the run," Herrington said, adding the Hawks haven't had consecutive games like that in several years.

Rivers had some success, completing 10 of 23 passes for 148 yards, but he was intercepted four times.

Harrison freshman Ricky Bryant returned the last inter-

ception 66 yards for the final touchdown with 2:11 remaining in the game.

"We dropped some passes and had some penalties after we completed passes — and we didn't run the ball," O'Leary said. "If you can't run the ball, that's pretty much the end of it."

Bryant had two interceptions, Jeff Aschoff and Gabe Trumble one each. Paul Gaffey recovered a Harrison fumble.

The Hawks rushed for 262 of their 330 yards. Bambenek was 6-of-12 passing for 36 yards,

Jared Hopkins 2-of-4 for 32.

Harrison's Nick Shaleb, Beal and Dolan caught three passes each for 27, 67 and 38 yards, respectively.

"To win a game like this gives you great momentum; lose and you find out what your kids are made of," O'Leary said.

"It doesn't change the division standings, but it doesn't get rid of the giant gorilla that's been on our back all the years we've played Harrison. We'll have to live with that until we play them again."

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The Farmington offense got in high gear on its third possession,

as Latra scored on a 26-yard scamper around right end. Jon Hood's first of four extra points made it 7-0.

The Falcons made it 14-0 on their next possession after Sikosky scored on a 4-yard run.

After Matt Niskanen recovered a fumble, Farmington marched 65 yards in 11 plays and took a 21-0 lead on a Sikosky 8-yard rush.

Churchill (0-2) moved to the Farmington 18-yard line, but the first half expired before the Chargers could score.

The Falcons scored on their fourth straight possession after halftime. After runs of 23 and 18

yards, Sikosky scored again on a 12-yard carry, breaking several poor tackling attempts by the Churchill defense.

Farmington ended the scoring when Lewis scored on a 41-yard run.

The Falcons play a key game Saturday when they host Livonia Stevenson. The Spartans beat Farmington 7-0 last year.

"In my one year as an assistant here and three years as head coach, we haven't been able to beat Stevenson," Niskanen said. "This is where the most of our schedule begins, and it will be a dogfight next week."

ELECTION NOTICE CITY OF FARMINGTON

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following persons have qualified as Candidates for the Office of the City Councilpersons for the Regular City Election to be held in the City of Farmington on Tuesday, November 7, 1995:

THREE (3) TO BE ELECTED

WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK
JO ANNE M. LECHIANE
JAMES J. MITCHELL

PATSY K. CANTRELL, Clerk/Treasurer

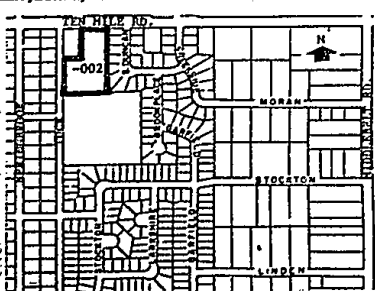
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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS

PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 1995
TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall
11555 E. 14 Mile Road
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
ITEM: Cluster Site Plan 81-7-95

The City of Farmington Hills Planning Commission will give formal consideration to Cluster Site Plan/Open Space Plan 81-7-95, which requests the approval of the Planning Commission to utilize the Single-Family Housing Cluster Option in an R-1.5, Single-Family Residential District. (13 detached units). The property involved is located on the south side of Ten Mile Road, east of Truck Road, and is more particularly described as follows:



Parcel No. 25-35-041-002
A part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 29, T14N, R16E, City of Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, Containing 5.43 Acres.

The applicant in this matter is Steven J. Schaler, Phoenix Land Development, who seeks this approval in order to build single-family detached housing on the site.

Any person who is interested in participating in the discussion of the Cluster Site Plan request, the Site Plan and the Finding Text and Map may be reviewed at the Planning Office, City of Farmington Hills, on any business day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

DALE A. COUNTEMAN, Director
Planning & Community Development

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CITY OF FARMINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS (Summary)

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order by Mayor Campbell at 8:03 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 1995 in Council Chambers, 23400 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 287-1978.

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m. by Mayor Campbell.

PRESSENT: Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Tupper.

ABSENT: None.

CITIZEN PRESENT: City Clerk Cantrell, Director Goss, Director Gushman, City Manager Lashoff, Attorney McKenney, Assistant to City Manager Richardson.

Citrus State Representative, Stacy Lapinsky, reported on her experience with the Citrus State Program.

Minutes of the Regular and Special meetings of August 7, 1995 were approved.

Minutes of other boards were received and/or filed.

Council denied a request for a sign variance at 24069 Orchard Lake Road, Rita-Ald Drug Store.

Council supported nominations for the Michigan Municipal League Workers Compensation Fund.

Council granted permission to the Farmington High School Band and Orchestra Boosters to conduct a "Tag Days" fund raising event.

Council granted permission for sidewalk sales, displays and banners for a Moonlight Madness Sale in the Downtown Farmington Center.

Council received a Progress Report on a Classification and Compensation Study for non-union city employees.

Council approved a resolution adopting a "Use of Public Funds Policy."

Council awarded the bid for GIS Hardware and Local Area Network Software to Peripheral Vision in the amount of \$31,864.

Council approved payment of \$192,975.84 for the city's share of Orchard Lake Road Right-of-Way.

There were no public comments.

Council Comments and Announcements were heard.

Council set a joint meeting with the City of Farmington Hills and the Liberty Board for September 14, 1995, at 7:30 p.m. for discussion of a Land Purchase.

Council received and filed Department of Public Safety Quarterly Operations Report June 1995.

Council reviewed and approved the Monthly Payments Report.

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
(SUMMARY)**

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council with the Farmington members of the Farmington Area Commission on Aging was held Tuesday, September 5, 1995, in Council Chambers, 23400 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the Meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 287-1978.

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Tupper.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

FARMINGTON CITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, City Manager Lashoff.

FARMINGTON AREA COMMISSION ON AGING MEMBERS PRESENT: Davis Astberry, Carole Head.

Council met with Farmington members of the Commission to receive input regarding activities of the Commission, to advise the Commission of Council positions and concerns and to discuss topics of mutual interest.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

ARNOLD T. CAMPBELL, Mayor
PATSY K. CANTRELL, Clerk/Treasurer

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