



TOUGH MAN TO STOP - John Glenn's Dave Carlington (41) goes up for two points against North Farmington. Carlington is averaging 20.8 points a game, No. 3 in Observerland, and will be a key in Glenn's attempt to topple Franklin Friday in the Northwest showdown. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)

Franklin Thumps Oak Park, Hosting Glenn In Finale

This is it for the Northwest! All the marbles are on the table for Franklin High and John Glenn in the final night's action in the Northwest Suburban basketball conference.

But the best Franklin can do is tie Glenn for the title while the Glenn Rockets have already clinched at least a co-championship, the first cage title ever in its history.

Franklin has its back to the wall in defending its first basketball crown but Coach Bob Visser likes the challenge. This is the way he had hoped it would evolve, coming down to the final game.

His Patriots easily knocked off Oak Park, 76-69, for their seventh win against two defeats while Glenn nipped

North Farmington for its eighth triumph against one setback.

The lone setback was in the Glenn gym against Franklin. Franklin will have the home court advantage Friday but the Patriots have been noted as a club that does not capitalize on its home court.

The Patriots have beaten every league foe on the road but have fallen victim twice at home. Franklin lost to Oak Park on the Patriot court, 54-46, and to Garden City East, 68-56.

"I am still glad this final game is on our court," said Visser, whose Patriots stand 11-7 overall, 5-5 on their own court and 2-2 on the road. "This ought to be a double-barnbuster," added Visser.

"This is what we have been working for and here it is!"

Visser and his crew knew they had to get by Oak Park first to set the stage for the finale, and Oak Park had beaten them in an earlier contest.

"We knew we had to control the boards and that's just what we did," said Visser. The Patriots outbounded Oak Park, 46-30.

Kevin Kaseta hauled in 18 to up his season total to 235 for a 14.2 game average.

Franklin didn't waste any time jumping on the Oak Park Redskins who now stand 3-6 in the Northwest.

Jamie Knapp popped in the first two buckets and scored eight in the quarter as Franklin hit nine of 18 from the floor for a 20-8 lead.

Oak Park was caught with a four for 15 performance.

But the Redskins fought back to outscore Franklin, 20-16, in the second quarter to slice the margin at the half to 38-28.

Franklin came out fast-breaking in the third period and hit seven of 11 from the floor to outscore the Redskins, 21-15, and carry a 37-43 lead into the remaining minutes.

It was never close after that with Franklin building up a 21 point margin and Visser clearing his bench.

Knapp at 6-2 paced the Patriots with 20 points and also contributed 11 rebounds. Three other Patriots also hit double figures in 30 minutes with 17 Tim Fischer with 14 and Jeff Waterstone with 12. Franklin finished 29 of 63

from the floor for 46 per cent and Oak Park hit 30 of 80 for 38 per cent.

"Defense is the name of our game," commented Visser. "Offense will take care of itself and we are coming on now. We have found ourselves."

Franklin at one time had dropped four of five games and slumped to a 7-6 overall showing.

"It will take a super defensive effort to stop Glenn and Dave Carlington," said Visser. "We have to keep them outside like the last time we played them."

"Neither of us is strong enough to overpower the other," explained the Franklin head mentor. "The team that is willing to pay the price on defense is going to win it."

"Glenn is co-champion now and that's the way we want it to stay, co-champs," concluded Visser.

Besides the Northwest co-championship, Visser also has to be thinking of the districts at Franklin.

Franklin has never won a state tournament basketball game but has to be one of the favored clubs to take its district.

Crestwood, Bishop Borgess, Cody, Detroit Redford, Thurston and Franklin will be contesting for the Franklin district. The winner will go into the first round of the Churchill district and will match talents with Plymouth on Wednesday, March 7, at 7:30 p.m., with the winner playing either Churchill/ Bentley or Redford Union in the district final on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Spartans Dunk Waterford

Stevenson Wins, 63-60

The fate of the Inter-Lakes basketball championship is in the hands of Stevenson High. Stevenson Coach George VanWagoner just wishes his Spartans were on the title-road instead of hoping to play the spoiler's role.

Walled Lake Central and Pontiac Northern are tied for the No. 1 spot with identical 6-1 marks with Stevenson next at 4-3.

The Stevenson Spartans wind up the regular season campaign at Pontiac Northern while Walled Lake Central matches talent with Waterford.

Northern meeting Stevenson in the first meeting of the two, 63-51, and the Spartans lost to Central twice by a total of four points.

All Stevenson can gun for is

to better its overall mark of 11-7 and pick up momentum for the Churchill district tournament.

The Spartans jumped a notch above .500 on the Inter-Lakes with a 63-60 triumph over Waterford.

Waterford was up after eight minutes and the Spartans jumped to a 31-28 half-time margin on the scoring of Dale Haberman and Tom Centers.

The tables turned in the third stanza with Waterford coming to life and outscoring Stevenson, 19-11, as Doug Verlee popped in nine points.

Waterford was up after three quarters, 47-45.

It was back and forth basketball from here on out with a bucket by Haberman and four free throws by Roy Davis tucking away victory for Stevenson in the closing seconds.

The Spartans hit only five of 17 from the floor in the quarter but connected on eight of 10 from the line. Stevenson finished 23 of 29 from the floor for 29 per cent

while Waterford shot 35 per cent, 24 of 69.

A key was revealed at the boards where Stevenson outbounded Waterford, 68-48. Haberman hauling in 18 and Mike Patrick 14.

Four technical fouls were called on Waterford, one in the first and one in the second period with Greg Eardley making good both for Stevenson.

Waterford was called for

NF Bounces On Churchill

North Farmington wrestler's recorded four pins and four decisions en route to a 40-15 victory over Livonia Churchill.

The results:

98 - Ed Vickland (NF) won on void 106 - Pat Mullin (CI) pinned Tom Anschutz (NF), 3:44

114 - Craig Kilmer (NF) pinned John Hesse (CI), 2:35

121 - Bob Domstetter (NF) pinned Bill Mills (CI), 1:50
128 - Steve Haller (NF) defeated

Nick Stronen (CI), 8:3

132 - Rick Deams (CI) defeated John Eckert (NF), 5:2

138 - Dave Stubbs (CI) defeated Ken Clough (NF), 8:2

156 - Carl Darras (NF) Bob Stowers (CI), 15:4

155 - Terry Discolli (CI) defeated Bill Nowland (NF), 1:10

167 - Bob D'Appasino (NF) pinned Rick Montanari (CI), 5:02

185 - Bill Lough (NF) defeated Ron Bedro (CI), 6:0

HWT - Brian Chisholm (NF) pinned Dave Kuhn (CI), 2:10

FRANKLIN (78)

Player	FG	FT	TP
Waterston	4	4	12
Burke	1	4	6
Kaseta	6	5	17
Knapp	9	2	20
Fischer	6	2	14
Ernst	0	1	1
Colewell	2	2	6
Chisholm	1	0	2
Totals	29	20	78

OAK PARK (69)

Player	FG	FT	TP
Hankins	4	2	10
Miles	7	6	19
Ford	11	0	22
Mims	1	0	2
Levine	4	2	10
Cowan	2	0	4
Quatrone	1	0	2
Totals	30	9	69

FRANKLIN (20)

Player	FG	FT	TP
Oak Park	8	20	21-78
Oak Park	8	20	15-69

BASKETBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	W	L
PONTIAC NORTHERN	6	1
WL CENTRAL	6	1
STEVENSON	4	3
WATERFORD	1	6
FARMINGTON	1	7

RU-Thurston Faculty Meet On The Court

It will be a faculty and coaches basketball clash when the "good guys from the north" and their RU white hats meet "the bad guys from the south" in their black hats from Thurston.

The RU-Thurston teachers clash will be on Wednesday, Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at Redford Union High School with all proceeds going to both schools' booster clubs.

STEVENSON (63)

Player	FG	FT	TP
Haberman	11	1-4	23
Patrick	1	2	5
Davis	3	4	10
Fischer	2	0	4
Centers	2	6	10
Taylor	0	0	1
Link	0	0	1
Matar	0	3-4	3
Totals	23	17-29	63

WATERFORD (60)

Player	FG	FT	TP
Verlee	8	2	18
Soule	3	3	8
Cullens	6	4	16
Foster	0	0	0
Ranson	2	2	6
Ravens	4	1	9
Meyer	1	0	2
Totals	24	17-22	60

INTER-LAKES

CLARKSTON	5	5
WILDOMFIELD	6	7
BLOOMFIELD ANDOVER	3	6
CLARENCEVILLE	0	10

WESTERN SIX

CHURCHILL	W	L
FARMINGTON HARRISON	3	2
WATERFORD MOTT	5	3
WALLED LAKE WESTERN	4	4
NORTHVILLE	0	7

NORTHWEST SUBURBAN

JOHN GLENN	8	1
FRANKLIN	7	2
N FARMINGTON	4	6
GE EAST	4	6
OAK PARK	3	6
THURSTON	2	7
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