



## **2011 Game Reports for the Semi-Final Round**

### **LW Black**

LW Black is going to the SuperBowl! The enthusiasm and pride showed by the fans of LW Black was phenomenal. The sounds of Boom Boom Black, Black Attack, and many more broke the sound barrier. LW Black fans dressed in black with noisemakers and pom-poms to show of support. The LW Black Cheerleading team continued the enthusiasm hoisting banners and inciting the crowd in support of our LW Black competitors. LW Black's offense was the first to the gridiron as Figus ran the ball for the 1<sup>st</sup> 10 yards allowing Clarke to score the team's first touchdown of the game. Greenawalt did not disappoint as he kicked a field goal for the extra 2 points. The defense dominated the field as Mihajlovich, Stewart, Parrish, Malito, Beltz, and Figus forced the Knights to punt the ball allowing Figus to return the ball for a 30-yard punt return. Selvaggio, Figus, Malito attained positive yards which allowed Clarke to score a 14-yard touchdown. The score is now LW Black 14 Knights 0. Bullington secured an on-side kick recovery, but the offense was unsuccessful in their attempt to add points to the board. As the defense stormed the field, they disturbed the Knight offense as Stewart, DMShelton, Malito, Mihajlovich, DBShelton, Parish, CAGEijer, and Mergenthaler delivered tough tackles and Figus was able to score an interception. As the offense commanded the field, Malito ran the ball for 28-yards, which set the play in motion. Clarke then threw the ball to Greenawalt who led to the 3<sup>rd</sup> LW Black touchdown securing a 22 to 0 LW Black victory.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter's offense Simental, Johnson, Soltis, Zajac, and Vidovic scored positive yards, but was unable to secure a touchdown. The defense Arndt, Flaherty, Wharrie, Soltis, Casey, COGeijer, Savaria, Keeling, Ebers, Parnello, Johnson, Ansari, and Planera delivered tough tackles, but was unable to stop the Knight offense as the game ended with a 0 to 6 Knights victory.

### **LW Blue Super Bowl Bound after Stunning Lemont!**

LW Blue has earned the opportunity to defend their Back to Back Super Bowl Titles after beating the Lemont Hornets convincingly 19-0. The 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter team took the "sting" out of the Hornets in dominating fashion, giving up only 1 yard of total Offense. Blue' offense did a great job of consistently moving the ball, gaining 1<sup>st</sup> downs and ultimately scoring to give them a 7-0 win. Outstanding Offensive efforts were turned in by N. Belavich, B.Ernst, Stilp, and Ostrowski. The Defensive standouts included Franklin, Moll, and Alberts. Way to set the tone 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter players!

The main game was just another chapter in the season long book LW Blue is writing. The Defense played outstanding and the Offense was just as good as Blue scored 19 points off a very strong Lemont team. The Defense only yielded 37 yards as every player on the field for defense recorded at least 1 tackle, as Scianna, DiGiovanni, Evans, Warning, H. Lang, Paull, Christensen, Domalewski, D. Lang, Teodoro, B.Ernst, and Gergely swarmed to the ball every time a Hornet player touched it. Blue played textbook Defense as they pressured Lemont so intensely, that they forced them to make mistakes. Blue's Offense turned those mistakes into points with (2) 2<sup>nd</sup> half TD's. Dunlap Rohr, Bolsoni, Judd, H. Lang, and B.Ernst ran the ball

strongly as Blue racked up 176 yards of offense. The win secured Blue's place in the Super Bowl against "crosstown" rival LW Black. This is a true testament to the heart and determination of Frankfort to put both the Black and Blue teams in the Super Bowl. Way to go Players, Coaches, Parents and Fans!

### **JV Black**

It was a much-anticipated game for the JV BLACK Falcons as they faced the Bourbonnais Bears in the second round of playoffs on Saturday afternoon. With a prior game lost in overtime to the Bears, JV BLACK was not going to let it happen again. Although it was another close game going in to overtime, a 15-14 exciting win will now progress the JV BLACK FALCONS to the Super Bowl.

To the Super Bowl it is for JV BLACK Players: J. Ruiz, Ortiz, Panning, M. Shafer, Z Tencza, Rizzuto, Szara, Tipple, S Shafer, Vegas, Washington, Stewart, C. Wise, N. Wise, Bartusiewicz, Townsend, N. Piunti, M. Piunti, Powers, Welker, Q. Ruiz, Shirley, Pinto, S. Maloney, J. Tencza, Slovin, Pallissard, Barber, Flaherty, Nuzzo, R. Maloney, Trevarthan, Nelligan, Jennrich, Novak, Bender, Covaciu and O'Brien.

### **V Blue**

The players, coaches, and fans are just catching their breath after the Frankfort Falcon Varsity Blue came from behind and outlasted a great Morris Warrior football team 18-12 in Triple Overtime. The game was a rematch of two River Valley powerhouses and the play on the field did not disappoint. The Warriors seemed unstoppable at the start, but the bend do not break Falcon defense began to respond after Rauch penetrated the Morris line and dropped the Warriors for a 2-yard loss. Werniak then picked off the Warriors next pass at the 10 yd. line, but a tough break created a turnover. Morris took advantage and scored on a 24 yd. TD run making it 6-0 with 3 minutes left in the first quarter.

The Falcons offense then began clicking with a 78-yard drive that was powered by Worker, Werniak, and Bolsoni on the ground and a Bauer to McGinn 44 yd. pass. The drive stalled at the Morris 1 yard line and the Falcons turned the ball over on downs. The half ended with Morris up 6 to 0.

The Falcon coaches and players made adjustments at half and the offense came out with one mission, victory. The combo of Bolsoni and Werniak behind a strong Falcon offensive line took the opening drive 66 yards on 6 plays, capped by Werniak's 2 yd. TD run that tied the score 6-6.

The Falcons and Warriors defenses both made great stands before Morris took over from their own 28 yd. line. On 6 plays, the Warriors rushed for 72 yards highlighted by a 44 yd. TD run and Morris was up 12-6 with a little over 9 minutes left in the game.

The Falcons then began their momentous and gut wrenching comeback. Cooper got things started with a 22-yard kick return to the Morris 48. The Falcons offense was determined and ground out an 11 play 40 yard drive that brought up a crucial 4th and goal from the Morris 8. Bauer dropped back to pass to find everyone covered. He alertly scramble to his right to avoid the sack. He then spotted a wide open Smith in the back of the end zone who cradled the pass for an 8 yard TD that tied the score 12-12 and sent the game into overtime.

In overtime, the Falcon defense led by Worker, Cooper, Ziganto, Werniak, Bauer and Christensen stopped the high-powered Morris offense on their three possessions from the 10-

yard line, but that was not the headline. The Falcon defense held Morris 4 times from inside the 1-yard line and that did not include a Bauer interception to end the 2nd OT. On the Falcons 3rd OT possession, Bolsoni came inches from scoring on the first play as he just missed the clipping the end zone pylon. Bauer tried to sneak it in on the next play but was stopped. On the final play of the game Bauer took one-step, back found an opening off the right guard and went in untouched and the Falcons capped one of the most memorable Falcon football games in Falcon Blue history.