Mercy wins 9th straight

Sister act sparks Harrison swimmers

Farmington Harrison's girls' swimming team doesn't have a winning record this season, but it does have a pair of winners in the Rudel sisters — Karen and Cathy.

Harrison nipped Plymouth Canton, 87-85, last Thursday night in a Western Six League contest with the Rudel girls leading the way. Canton was leading 81-77 going into the last event, the 400-yard free-style relay. Harrison took first and third in that event to win the meet by the slim two-point margin.

The winning freestyle relay (Lori Pfaffman, Linda Lahey, Cathy Rudel and Karen Rudel) recorded a 4:10.0. In addition, both Rudel sisters were double winners in the individual events. Karen, a senior, qualified for the state meet in the 100-yard backstroke with a winning 1:06.1, and also won the 100 freestyle in 58.5. Cathy, a junior, won the 200 individual medley in 2:22.4 and the 100 butterfly in 1:06.0.

Pfaffman and Lahey also won individual events. Pfaffman took the 50 freestyle in 28.1, while Lahey topped the 200 freestyle in 2:22.3.

Earlier last week, Farmington High defeated Harrison, 97-75. The split left Cathy Suehsta's Harrison squad with a 4-8 overall record.

Mercy—Detroit Northern

The swimming team at Farmington Our Lady of Mercy continues to pile up the victories. Mercy, coached by DeLoris Yager, made it nine straight victories this season and 130 in a row since 1966 by trounncing Detroit Northern, 60-22, in a non-league meet last Thursday.

"The Northern girls were a very nice young group but there just weren't enough of them," said Mrs. Yager, whose teams have won 13 straight Catholic League swimming titles. "Since Northern wasn't very good, I swam a lot of girls who seldom get a chance to swim."

Mercy's Kim Knight won the 200 freestyle in 2:21.8 and teammate Cathy Cashman took the 200 IM in 2:34.4. Theresa Amelotte won the diving event with 133.55 points. Kathy Syron finished first in the 100 butterfly in 1:12.9. Some other Mercy firsts: Sue MacMillan (60.2 in the 100 freestyle), Suzy Kolon (3:56.0 in the 500 freestyle), Diane Jones (1:15.5 in the 100 backstroke) and Julie Weinstrup (1:29.2 in the 100 breaststroke).

North Farmington—Franklin

Maurice Jewell established a pair of North Farmington pool records and teammate Britta Nielsen also won two individual events to lead North past Kavona Franklin, 101-60, in a Northwest Suburban League dual meet last Thursday.

Jewell, a sophomore, set the pool standards in the 200 freestyle and the 500 freestyle (5:27.9). Nielsen, also a sophomore, won the 200 IM (2:33.9) and the 100 backstroke (1:11.9). North's Debbi Hatch won the 50 freestyle in :29.4.

The victory gave North Farmington a 5-0 record in the NSL. Coach Pat Dathe's Raiders are 8-2 overall.

Farmington—W.L. Central

Farmington High won nine of the 11 events in its 113-54 victory over Walled Lake Central in an Inter Lakes League girls' swimming meet last Thursday in Walled Lake Western's pool. Coach Mark Holdridge's Farmington squad is 7-3 overall and 2-1 in the ILL.

Farmington's divers look impressive. Cathy Bondi won the event, setting a school record of 165.80 points. Teammate Sue MacMarnes who had set the varsity diving record earlier this season, finished second with 160.60 points, also a school record.

Farmington's 400 freestyle relay (Casey Ratliff, Tami Richardson, Laurie Dahlstrom and Cathy Gregory) set a varsity record with a 4:01.3 clocking. Gregory won the 200 free (2:15.4). Ellen Bunting took the 200 IM (2:36.8). Ratliff topped the 50 free (:27.1).

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Chargers pull cage upset

Those post game hamburgers must have tasted extra good last Thursday for the members of Southfield Lathrup's girls' basketball team.

Lathrup knocked off two previously undefeated teams last week. On Nov. 9, the Chargers stopped non-league Clawson High, 45-38, before stunning Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 41-34, last Thursday at home. Lathrup's victory over Lahser was especially important as Bevanne Lahser has beaten the Chargers 42-21 earlier this season.

"We played basketball this time," said Lathrup coach Chuck Daniel, whose team owns a 10-3 overall record and a 5-1 mark in the Metro Suburban Association.

Before we tried to defense Lahser's double low post with a man-to-man defense. That just didn't work. This time we went to a switching zone defense so there was always somebody at the ball and four people guarding the lane.

Lahser's big gals still got their points," Daniel said. Diane Chekkich had 13 and Claudia Murray got 15, but we shut down just about everyone else. Also, we had a lot of team play. Our five starters all scored."

Patti Rendzie led Lathrup with 15 points while Molly Moore and Marianne McMullen each added nine. Lathrup grabbed a 21-16 lead at halftime.

Against Clawson, Rendzie fired in 22 points on 11 field goals. Fraser scored 15. Lathrup established a 17-9 lead after one quarter and never traded after that.

LATHRUP-LAHSER

SOUTHFIELD LATHRUP (41): Patti Rendzie 7-1-15; Molly Moore 3-3-9; Marianne McMullen 4-1-9; Ruth Fraser 1-13-15; Mary Ferguson 0-1-1; Totals 15-18-41.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS LAHSER (34): Diane Chekkich 5-3-13; Mary Dougherty 0-0-0; Kathy Arnold 2-0-2-4; Mary McGraw 4-2-1-2; Claudia Murray 6-3-5-15; Totals 17-8-8-34.

Total Fouls: Lathrup 17, Lahser 17. Fouled out: McMullen, Lathrup.

SOUTHFIELD LATHRUP	9	12	8	12	—41
BLOOMFIELD HILLS LAHSER	4	12	12	6	—34

SOUTHFIELD-BERKLEY

SOUTHFIELD HIGH (45): Stephanie Stone 0-0-0; Janet Makarian 4-0-8; Peggy Shea 1-1-3; Pam Stokes 3-4-10; Karen Stoneman 0-0-0; Theresa Kramer 0-0-0; Teresa Hecht 0-0-2-1-5; Sandy Vander 2-0-3-4; Totals 21-9-9-45.

BERKLEY HIGH (38): Barb Christie 8-1-17; Sandy Cook 4-3-11; Joyce McCrory 0-0-0; Kathy Walters 4-0-8; Patty Kohl 1-0-2; Nancy Allen 0-0-0; Barb Schaefer 0-0-0; Dawn Burke 3-0-6; Karen Hadrock 1-0-2; Jan Hagerman 0-0-0; Totals 18-0-7-38.

Total Fouls: Berkley 18, Southfield 18. Fouled out: Kohl, Berkley.

SOUTHFIELD HIGH	15	10	11	9	—45
BERKLEY HIGH	9	11	15	13	—38

LATHRUP-CLAWSON

SOUTHFIELD LATHRUP (45): Patti Rendzie 15-1-31; Molly Moore 4-1-9; Marianne McMullen 2-0-4; Ruth Fraser 2-1-5; Mary Ferguson 1-0-1; Sue Owens 1-0-2; Totals 22-3-7-45.

CLAWSON HIGH (38): Diane Zielke 5-0-10; Jo Ann Jones 3-1-7; Cathy Cavalier 2-0-4; Peggy Kelly 3-0-6; Totals 13-1-11-38.

Total Fouls: Lathrup 17, Clawson 17. Fouled out: None.

SOUTHFIELD LATHRUP	17	12	10	6	—45
CLAWSON HIGH	9	13	10	6	—38

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