

## North struggles with area's best

The pattern continues for the North Farmington volleyball team: Play well against the Western Lakes powers, but lose.

Walled Lake Central topped the Raiders Monday in a hard-fought three-game match, 15-7, 9-15, 15-5.

"I really feel it's all going to come together," said North coach Sandy Lubienski. "I think we'll be a much better team in the second half of the season."

Twins Tammy and Terry Spengler played near flawless volleyball for North. Suzi Butcher, a sophomore, also played well at the net.

But the taller Walled Lake team kept the pressure on North.

### volleyball

The Raiders were knocked out of the eight-team Wayne Memorial Volleyball Tournament Saturday in the quarterfinal round.

Led by the serving and net play of Butcher (52 of 60 spikes with 22 kills, 41 of 45 serves with eight aces), North beat Birmingham Groves, split with Royal Oak Kilmie and lost to Wayne in pool play.

In the quarterfinals, Troy Athens eliminated North 8-15, 15-6, 15-12. North is 8-9 on the season.

## CC swimmers top rival Brother Rice

Wins in the last five events propelled Redford Catholic Central to a 94-77 dual meet win over Birmingham Brother Rice Tuesday at Oakland Community College.

The victory kept CC perfect after four Catholic League Central Division meets. The Shamrocks are 9-1 overall.

Jon Teal took first in the 100-yard freestyle (50.29) for CC, snapping a string of three straight wins for Rice. Sean McDermott followed with a first in the 500 free (5:02.87). John Kovach won the 100 backstroke (55.88), and

Jim Surowiec won the 100 breaststroke (1:03.67).

CC finished the meet by winning the 400 free relay with Teal, Eric Fortin, McDermott and Kovach (2:25.16).

Kovach was the Shamrocks' only double-winner in individual events. He paired his first in the 100 back with one in the 200 individual medley (2:00.95). The Shamrock foursome of Matt Hepburn, Surowiec, Fortin and Teal got CC started with a win in the 200 medley relay (1:44.95).

The Shamrocks are idle until a Feb. 6 meet at Warren DeLaSalle.

## Coaches clash at Andover

By Larry O'Connor  
staff writer

The revolving door for basketball coaches continues at Bloomfield Hills Andover as John Wrobel resigned last Tuesday in an apparent dispute with the district's administration over a conflict with the school's freshman coach.

Monty Clary, son of Troy coach Jim Clary, takes over as Andover's fourth varsity basketball coach this season. He follows Wrobel, John Vedura and Bob Shoemaker, who all have been at the helm at various times this year.

Clary, a former all-state basketball player at Clawson, was head varsity coach at Troy Zion Christian last year where he led the Cougars to a 24-2 mark and a district championship. Zion lost in the state Class D regional finals to perennial state-champion Alen Park Inter-City Christian.

"I can feel for the kids," said Clary, who took over in time for Andover's overtime loss to Hazel Park Friday. "They've had three different coaches already. They need someone who's going to be there the rest of the year."

WROBEL'S SUDDEN departure, which caught most observers off guard, came after a meeting with Andover Vice Principal Dave Symington and freshman coach Andrew Franks over a disagreement about the team's practice schedule.

According to Wrobel, he arrived at the Andover gym at 2:20 p.m. Tuesday to find the freshman team practicing. Players informed Wrobel that the varsity practice had been moved from 2:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Wrobel, who was going to scout a game that night, asked Franks to cancel his practice. Franks refused, according to Wrobel, which led to further conflict between the two.

In the ensuing conversation, Wrobel said he told Franks, "If you don't like it Andy, you're fired."

Wrobel and Franks then went to Symington's office to settle the dispute. The three talked and Wrobel resigned after not receiving, he felt, support from Symington in the matter.

Franks couldn't be reached for comment, but Symington said he attempted to work out a compromise between the two. Some of the options were: both teams practicing at half court, or Franks either scouting or supervising the varsity's 8:30 p.m. practice.

"THAT WAS something that has been going on for sometime - even prior to Christmas," said Wrobel of the dispute between him and Franks. "There were problems that should have been handled internally."

"I didn't want to get into a personnel conflict," added Wrobel, "but I couldn't avoid it."

Andover Athletic Director Norm Quinn said Tuesday night he had no reason or knowledge why Wrobel left. Attempts to reach Wrobel by phone were unsuccessful, according to Quinn.

Symington said Andover Principal John Toma even called the police to check on Wrobel to make sure he was OK.

"The bottom line is that he's just not answering the phone," said Quinn

on Thursday. "Even some of the players have tried to get a hold of him."

"That's interesting," said Wrobel Friday. "I had a long-distance call from Guatemala from my brother the other night. . . I'm not avoiding anything."

Quinn still expressed surprise over Wrobel's departure. He said that the team "improved dramatically" under Wrobel, despite its 0-9 mark.

IN WROBEL'S last game as head coach Jan. 17, Andover lost a two-point game to Southeastern Michigan Association rival Ferndale. The team lost five games by a total of 10 points this season.

"In life, you may have conflicts with the people you work with," said Quinn. "You have to work them out."

In December, Wrobel, Franks and Quinn met to discuss previous communication problems between the two.

Also, at the time, Wrobel said he gave Franks a list of job responsibilities.

SOME OF THE tasks Wrobel listed included: Franks "be loyal to the head coach overall," attend varsity team practices and scout the opposition. Another responsibility was that the freshman coach "be flexible to help the head coach when the situation arises."

Scheduling freshman practices at 2:30 is a school policy since most players don't have their own transportation. Quinn also said he had set up a meeting with Wrobel for last Monday to discuss the situation, but

Wrobel failed to show.

Wrobel claims he did not know of such a meeting.

Quinn also noted that firing assistant coaches doesn't come under Wrobel's jurisdiction.

"That's the administration's job - not the head coach's," said Quinn. "He thought he could fire someone on a whim. He has the right to recommend that someone be dismissed."

"THE BOTTOM LINE is that the employee made a decision that they didn't want to be a part of the program," added Quinn.

Clary talked to school officials Wednesday about taking the position. He discussed the possibility of being Andover's head coach when Shoemaker left in November. But with a change of jobs and recently getting married, he didn't want to take on the extra responsibility.

"At that point, I wouldn't have taken it," Clary said, "but with the circumstances and the people involved, I was more interested in the time around."

For the players, who lost one coach (Vedura) after one practice, it was business as usual as they got acquainted with their fourth coach in three months.

"They took it really well," said Clary. "They were a little leery at first. I didn't know them and they didn't know me. I stressed that we're here to have fun."

"I told them the rest of the season can be good or it can be bad. It's our choice."

"Talk about maturity under stress," added Quinn. "They're super kids."

## AMERICA'S MOST COMPLETE HOME IMPROVEMENT STORE...

WITH EVERYTHING FROM TOOLS TO TV'S  
LUMBER TO LINENS...

SOME  
OF THE



# LOWEST PRICES in DETROIT!

DAY IN  
DAY OUT!

### NO DOWN PAYMENT \$20 a month

on Purchases up to \$400 on Forest City's Revolving Charge

<p><b>SYLVANIA</b> COLOR TV ENSEMBLE with Swivel Base</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dark-lite picture tube for bright, sharp picture.</li> <li>Auto fine tuning.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$368</b></p>	<p><b>Over 200 to Sell!</b></p> <p><b>PORTABLE COLOR TV</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High performance black stripe picture tube for a sharper, brighter picture.</li> <li>Automatic brightness &amp; contrast limiting.</li> <li>Automatic gain control.</li> <li>Dura-tune tuner.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$167</b></p>	<p><b>25 WATTS</b></p> <p><b>SANYO DUAL CASSETTE STEREO RACK SYSTEM</b></p> <p><b>\$399</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 band graphic equalizer.</li> <li>Semi-auto turntable.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Capehart</b> 19" COLOR TV</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walnut grain cabinet.</li> <li>High color density, quick start picture tube.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$248</b></p>	<p><b>SANYO</b> Full Size Touch Control MICROWAVE with Temp. Probe</p> <p><b>\$198</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cook by time or temp. with probe.</li> <li>Electronic digital clock-timer.</li> <li>Infinite variable power selection.</li> <li>1 cu. ft. family size oven cavity.</li> </ul>	<p><b>SOUND/IGN</b> AM/FM STEREO RACK SYSTEM</p> <p><b>\$168</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AM/FM stereo receiver.</li> <li>Cassette recorder.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Front-Load VIDEO TAPE RECORDER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>105-channel cable-compatible tuner.</li> <li>7-day programmable timer.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$268</b></p>	<p><b>WALNUT CUBE REFRIGERATOR</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bottle storage in door.</li> <li>Shelf storage.</li> <li>Separate freezer compartment.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$98</b></p>	<p><b>UPRIGHT VACUUM CLEANER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full time edge cleaning.</li> <li>Furniture guard.</li> <li>16' cord with W20D.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$59</b></p>
<p><b>SHARP</b> Programmable VHS VIDEO TAPE RECORDER with Wireless Remote</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Infrared remote control.</li> <li>14-day programmable timer with programming guidance system.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$318</b></p>	<p><b>5 CU. FT. CHEST FREEZER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Holds 175 lbs. of frozen food.</li> <li>Storage basket.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$178</b></p>	<p><b>AM/FM PORTABLE RADIO CASSETTE RECORDER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Auto tape speed.</li> </ul> <p><b>\$398</b></p>

We Install Almost Everything We Sell!

Full Details at your nearest Forest City Store

<p><b>ROSEVILLE</b> 30785 Grant St. 294-4810</p>	<p><b>TROY</b> 400 John R. Rd. 588-3000</p>	<p><b>CENTURIE</b> 25005 Van Dyke 254-4800 (corner of 10 Mile Rd. &amp; Van Dyke)</p>	<p><b>SOUTH GATE</b> 14255 Eureka 285-7400</p>	<p><b>TAYLOR</b> 6000 Telegraph Rd. 295-4300</p>	<p><b>WESTLAND</b> 35100 Cowan Rd. 323-0300</p>
<p><b>LYNN</b> 13507 Woodloch Rd. 261-7500</p>	<p><b>SOUTHFIELD</b> 25851 Telegraph Rd. 354-1870 (at 12 Mile Rd. opposite Tel-Hi Mart)</p>	<p><b>OPEN 9:00a.m. - 9:00p.m.</b> Monday thru Friday</p> <p><b>OPEN 8:00a.m. - 9:00p.m.</b> Saturday</p> <p><b>ALL FOREST CITY STORES OPEN SUNDAY 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.</b></p>			

For 64 Years  
Serving our  
customers with  
QUALITY PRODUCTS  
(since 1921)

**JUST SAY CHARGE IT!**

WE ACCEPT: Master Card, VISA, American Express, & Forest City Charge Card

**"Don't Pay! Represent Competitive Market Pricing for Manufacturers! Suggested List at Base of Pricing"**

No Sales to Dealers Retail Stores or Wholesalers!

Prices in effect thru Saturday, February 1st. All TV picture tube screens measured diagonally. Delivery is Optional.