

## soccer

### Too little, too late for men's team

For the third consecutive game, Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team blanked its opponent. It's an impressive streak, but it only makes the realization that it's too little, too late that much more painful.

Had SC recovered from injuries and started playing like this a few games earlier, it would be in the hunt for another region title. Instead, the Ocelots are stuck with a hopeful wait-'til-next-year attitude.

Their victim Saturday was Lakeland CC, which had beaten SC earlier this season. But in that meeting, Paul Burrill had not played. He was all the Ocelots needed this time, scoring twice in the second half for a 2-0 victory.

Burrill's first goal came at the 65 minute mark, with Torin Gnielwek assisting. His second clinched it 10 minutes later, with Lee Hunt getting the assist.

Keeper Colin Jex was tested once in the opening half, and he made the save. Lakeland, with the wind against it in the second half, never threatened.

SC, now 4-2-1, hosts Cuyahoga Met CC at 1 p.m. Saturday.

SC'S WOMENS TEAM got a strong performance from Amy Weber in the goal, and that was just enough to earn the Lady Ocelots a 1-0 triumph over visiting Xavier University Sunday.

"We didn't play well as a team," said SC coach Nick O'Shea. "The only one who did was Amy."

Weber, playing for the first time since spraining her wrist in a game Oct. 10, frustrated Xavier and Jennifer Flowers scored the only goal SC needed 15 minutes into the game. Jamie Kubacki assisted. It was Flowers' 15th goal this season.

The win improved the Lady Ocelots, ranked second in the NJCAA, to 10-2-2. Their next scheduled match is Nov. 7 at Central Michigan.



Amy Trunk finished 10th with a time of 20:59 as the Falcons were runners-up to league champion Plymouth Canton.

RANDY BORST/staff photographer

## Plymouth Canton sweeps to Western Lakes crown

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Plymouth Canton was favored to win its first Western Lakes girls cross country championship Tuesday, and the Chiefs certainly lived up to pre-meet expectations. Canton placed five runners among the top 19 finishers and won the meet going away. The Chiefs compiled a 52-point team score and bettered runner-up Farmington by 34 points.

"I knew if we ran as well as we could, we were going to win the meet today," Canton coach George Przygodski said. "Everybody was just ready, hungry and ran well."

Walled Lake Central's Colleen Yuhn took individual honors with a 19:33 time, but the Canton parade began with Lori Penland, who was second in 20:17. Of the top 10, three were Chiefs, with Lynda Schendel taking sixth place (20:35) and Cindy Spessard ninth (20:49).

Canton's top five crossed the line within 1:18 of each other. Sherry Figurski was 16th (21:53) and Adrienne Garrow 19th (21:35).

THE LATTER played an important role, filling in for teammate Cathy McCabe, who was ill and unable to compete. Garrow's performance was a reflection of the depth the Chiefs have, Przygodski said.

"Our practices are so competitive because of that," he said. "It's our depth that pulls and pushes us, and that's probably one of the keys to our success. 'When we work hard, it's very competitive,' he added. 'I tell the kids to run easy, and I might as well be talking to the wall. They don't go easy on each other.'"

The Chiefs retained their competitive edge throughout the season, pointing for the league meet and Saturday's regional. Along the way, Canton won the Western Division with a 5-0 record and won all nine dual meets. "I'm just really happy for the kids," Przygodski said.

## girls cross country

"The season gets a little bit long, but when you have something like this to work toward suddenly the season gets short again."

AND THIS year's title might not be a one-time thing. The Chiefs could be back a year from now to defend their crown since six of their top eight runners will return for the 1988 season.

"I think we'll be up there again," Przygodski said. "We'll have as good a nucleus as anybody coming back."

Farmington, the Lakes Division champion, was led by fifth-place Bonnie Stecker and No. 10 Amy Trunk, but the Falcons couldn't match the overall strength of their Western Division counterpart.

"We mixed it up a little better," Farmington coach John Barrett said, referring to his team's battle with Canton at the Redford Union Invitational.

"We did our best. Canton just has an outstanding squad, and we congratulate them."

"WE KNEW our competition would be Canton and Walled Lake Central, and Canton had the outstanding times and maintained them. They have a good group of five, and there's no real difference between Nos. 1 and 5."

Livonia Stevenson, spurred on by Karen Kuphal (seventh), Jennifer Daniel (12th) and Carrie Creehan (13th), finished fourth behind Walled Lake Central. Plymouth Salem was fifth as Jenny Sample took 11th place and Kim Mishler 18th.

## Mercy romps to win over Borgess

Three Farmington Hills Mercy girls scored in double figures Tuesday as they stormed past visiting Redford Bishop Borgess 59-33 in this Catholic League Central Division matchup.

Jan Herberholz led the Marlins (9-6, 6-3) with 14 points followed by Patty Chapp with 13, including nine of 10 from the free throw line, and Adrienne Clark with 12.

"Our full-court press provided a large margin in the second half," said Mercy coach Larry Baker. "It was a balanced game. Everyone contributed in the press, and Adrienne did a nice job up top."

Borgess, which fell to 5-9 overall and 0-9 in the league, was paced by Tanisha Stokes with eight points and 12 rebounds.

GLENN 63, N. FARMINGTON 52: Westland John Glenn trailed 34-20 at the half, but came back strong in the third and fourth quarters to earn an 11-point victory Tuesday over visiting North Farmington.

"It was like deja vu against them," said Glenn coach Pat Bennett, whose team had to battle from behind to earn a victory the first time when the two teams met. "We were down by as many as 18 points. We didn't play very good basketball. In the third quarter we took charge. We were more aggressive. We didn't allow them to play offense."

Beth Wilson paced the winners, who outscored North 18-6 in the third quarter and 25-12 in the fourth, with 24 points. Denise Gurne added 14 points and 17 rebounds and Cheryl

## girls basketball

Hawley meshed in 10 points.

North, 7-8 overall and 3-6 in the Lakes Division of Western Lakes Activities Association, was led by Suzi

Butcher with 17 and Donna O'Brien and Vikki Seamonds with 11 each.

With the win the Rockets improve to 11-4 overall and 7-2 in the Lakes.

SALEM 68, FARMINGTON 35: Dena Head scored 30 points Tuesday, carrying visiting Plymouth Salem to victory over the Falcons.

The Rocks jumped ahead 23-8 after the first quarter and increased the lead to 46-15 at the half.

Jill Estey added 14 for the winners, which improved to 15-1 overall, 9-0 in the Lakes Division of the WLAA.

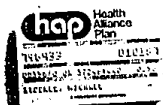
"We played them better this time," said Farmington coach Diane Fair. "They scored 103 on us last time. We played a little bit better half-court defense but their running game killed us." The Falcons slipped to 4-11, 0-9 in the league.



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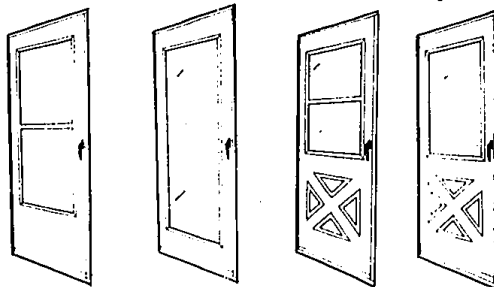
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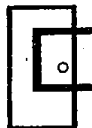
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