

# Mercy's Sinclair to state

By Bill Parker  
staff writer

Birmingham Marian has a young, aggressive ski team.

Marian coach Rob Rhodes put that aggressiveness to the test Thursday at the regional meet at Alpine Valley, and the Mustangs passed with flying colors.

Marian placed three girls in the top 10 in both the slalom and the GS en route to winning the regional championship with 65 points. Lake-land finished second with 78, followed by Farmington Hills Mercy (130), Brighton (138), Milford (147), Hartland (246), Walled Lake Western (328), and Walled Lake Central (438).

Because of the adverse weather conditions, Southfield-Lathrup, West Bloomfield, Howell and East Lansing did not compete. Birmingham Groves and Birmingham Seaholm only participated in the GS, which was held in the afternoon.

The top two teams and the top four individuals who are not members of one of the qualifying teams, advance to the state meet Monday, Feb. 26, at Crystal Mountain in Cadillac.

Mercy's Nicole Sinclair and Brighton's Sara Holmes each qualified for the state meet in both the GS and the slalom. Western's Kristen Anthony and Milford's Jodi Shave qualified in the slalom while Groves' Gretchen Kuhn and Seaholm's Timber Morland qualified in the GS.

## skiling

"I KNEW we'd be in the hunt for a qualifying spot, but I didn't know we'd win it," Rhodes said. "All week long we've been tuning up to be aggressive. We had a meeting this morning and I told the girls to be aggressive just like we've been training."

"Right now it feels great. This is my first year as coach, and I couldn't ask for a better group of girls. It's been a long season. We started dry-land in October, but all the hard work has paid off. Now it's time to reap the rewards."

A trio of sophomores, led by Julie Byrd, lifted Marian to the title. Byrd placed third in the GS in 38.11 and fourth in the slalom in 49.33.

"Julie is very consistent," Rhodes said. "If you want to count on one person who will definitely finish the race, that's Julie."

Sophomore Natalie Burge placed sixth in the slalom in 49.65 and eighth in the GS in 38.8.

"(Natalie) is a go-getter, that's for sure," Rhodes said. "She is very aggressive. She gives it her all every time she goes out."

Sophomore Tracy Sinclair placed

fifth in the GS in 38.39 and ninth in the slalom in 51.1. Senior Melissa Cousineau placed 11th in the slalom in 52.24, and freshman Kelly Cook placed 16th in the GS in 40.26.

"Now we're going to train real hard for state, go up there and try to do our best," Rhodes said. "We're not going up with any goals. We are a young team. I just want the girls to ski their best and have fun. If we can do that, I'll be happy with the result."

NI-COLE SINCLAIR carried Mercy to a third-place finish by placing third in the slalom in 48.4 and fourth in the GS in 38.22. She will compete in both events at state.

"We went to state as a team last year and I think that experience will help me a little," Sinclair said. "Now I know what it's all about. I'm happy I made it, but I would have been a lot happier if the whole team would have made it."

The Marlins were fifth after scoring 78 points in the slalom, but placed third in the GS with 52 points to move up in the team standings.

Mary Kay Jarney placed 10th in the GS in 39.84, Taya Tiplady 18th in 40.47 and Patricia Vincent 20th in 40.77. In the slalom, Tracie McLeellan placed 18th in 53.72, Vincenti 27th in 58.78 and Megan McDonald 30th in 63.19.

Anthony paced Western, placing ninth in the GS in 39.68 and 10th in the slalom in 52.07.

# Shamrocks 3rd in ski regional

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After the team results were finally compiled Thursday at the regional ski meet at Alpine Valley, Scott Adams turned to his brother, Jim — Walled Lake Central's head coach — and gave him a huge bear hug. "We did it," Scott said.

The 17-year-old Scott was referring to was Central's boys ski team which earned a berth in the state meet by finishing second in regional competition.

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Centrals' first trip to state in more than 10 years didn't come easy. The Vikings had to overcome a five-point team penalty when one of their skiers was penal-

ized for unsportsmanlike conduct, then won a tiebreaker over Birmingham Brother Rice, 71-72, to finish second.

Brighton won the boys race with 65 points. Central and Rice tied for second with 95 each followed by Catholic Central with 114.

Catholic Central's Jeff Turnas qualified for state in both events, placing sixth in the GS in 39.66 and seventh in the slalom in 64.11.

CC finished second in the slalom with 42 points, but lost ground in the GS when the Shamrocks tied for fourth with 67.

In the slalom, CC's other scorers were Jason Worley, ninth, 64.52, Steve Witte, 11th, 67.08, and Chris Jones, 15th, 67.66. In the GS, Matt McIntosh placed 13th in 40.57, Peter Lombardi 18th in 41.49 and Witte 30th in 42.43.

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# Eagles sink lower

The collar tightened at St. Mary's College. Such an occurrence is bound to happen when a team starts blowing a sure thing.

Which is what the Eagles seemed to have before their Feb. 10 showdown with Siena Heights. That game was billed as St. Mary's last chance to claim a share of the NAIA's District 23 men's basketball championship. The Eagles lost, however.

Still, second place seemed certain, and that would get them the homecourt advantage for the first round of the district playoffs. But on Wednesday, St. Mary's made its trip to Aquinas College a futile one, losing 99-97 to a team that had won just six of its previous 27 games.

"It's still in our hands," said Eagle coach Glen Donahue, as his team slipped to 19-12 overall and 5-4 in the district. "We have to beat Spring Arbor (last Saturday's game) and Northwood to clinch it."

THEY SHOULD have beaten Aquinas. But, although the game was always close — Aquinas led 46-43 at the half — St. Mary's never caught

their adversaries. The Eagles never had the ball with a chance to tie.

The closest they got was 97-94 with 14 left, but Charley Thompson canned two free throws to insure Aquinas' win. St. Mary's Jeff Suspek sank a three-pointer in the final seconds to tie the scoring.

"I thought our defense and rebounding hurt us," said Donahue. "We should have outrebounded them (Aquinas won the battle of the boards, 48-44) and we didn't play good defense at times."

Joachim Jerichow netted 24 points and grabbed 10 rebounds for the Eagles. Garth Howard chipped in with 19 points, Denny Butcher had 15 and James Lakes and Suspek scored 13 each.

Lakes also had 10 boards. Paul Lauer's 37 points, which included six three-pointers, topped Aquinas, which is 7-21 overall and 4-6 in the district. Jason Myers added 18.

St. Mary's hosts Northwood Institute at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Grand Rapids Baptist at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

## Warriors edge

### Catholic Central

Pat Gohar's goal at the 6:03 mark of the third period proved to be the difference Wednesday, as Birmingham Brother Rice edged Catholic Central at Oak Park Corporate Arena, 5-4.

Gohar's goal gave Brother Rice a 5-3 advantage and the Shamrocks' goal, received from the defel Gohar, tied the game for the Warriors.

Brother Rice improves its record to 12-17 overall and 10-11 in the Michigan Metro Jr./Sr. Hockey League. CC is 12-4-3, 7-3-1.

The Warriors and Shamrocks entered the game tied 2-2. Brother Rice took a 2-1 lead from Gohar and Tim Caraballo took a 3-2 advantage in the second intermission.

With the Shamrocks' goal at 5:30 in the third period, Jesse Hudensmidt scored one of his two goals to slice the Brother Rice lead to 5-4, but that's how it ended. CC had a two-man advantage late in the third period and couldn't capitalize.

Paul Fenech scored two goals for CC. Scott Kelley tallied one. Keith Boyce and Andy Flemmons each contributed two assists.

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