Raiders bump Walled Lake

North Farmington won the latest round Monday in its volleyball rivery with Walled Lake Central, taking advantage of hitting errors by the visiting Vikings.

North took the first match 15-11, but the Vikings stormed back for a 15-11 win in the second match.

The Raiders, 13-12 overall and 4-4 in the Lakes Division, took control in the third match with a 15-8 win and scaled the victory with a 15-6 triangle of the 15-6 triangle of

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Marlins crush PSL champion

more Sarah Lungren added eight service points with four aces. Lubleniecki also praised setters Amy Post and Dana Botwick. "We got a terrific all-around per-formance from my two setters," Lu-bleniecki said.

"I think the key to both our wins against Central was that we knew we had to be at the net," Lublenleck! asid. "Central is one of the best hitting teams in the conference, and we had to beat them at the net. We also served very tough. We had servers that served strings of four and five points in a row."

FARMINGTON HILLS Mercy

claimed the unofficial Detroit city champlonship Monday, blasting De-troit Central in the annual Operation Friendship match at Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher, 15-3 and 15-5.

"We didn't play as well as we did in the Catholic League champion-shlps," Mercy coach Tim DeBeliso said, referring to the team's 15-3, 15-7 defeat of Livonia Ladywood last Thursday. 7 dereat of Thursday.

"Jennifer (Goff) hit well. I only re-member her having one ball out of bounds in the two games, and Nikki (Burns) had a very good game as the setter.

"Overall, it was a good performance, but (Central) kept digging the ball up, and that surprised us sometimes," he added.

The Marlins, 47-3 overall and ranked No. 2 in Class A, are idle until Saturday, March 3, when the state tournament begins with district action at Walled Lake Central.

"We've got a couple weeks to prepare now, and we're boping to make a good tournament run," DeBeliso said.

And, if he keeps that up, good things can happen. "We'll see what happens Friday and Saturday, but I think our region-al was fairly strong. But you always run into coaches who say they had a tough district and regional, too."

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North remains city champ

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team relled on The Fantastle Four to win the annual city meet last week.

The foursome of Heather Kahn, Kristin Szutarski, Kym Heller and Jameelah Gater captured the top four places in each event Thursday as the Raiders defended their title. Ninth-ranked North compiled a 118-97 team score, Farmington 118-97 and Farmington Hills Harrison 91.80. The Raiders are 10-3 In dual meets.

Kahn had the best all-around total with 35.55. Szutarski was second (33.59), Gater third (33.7) and Heller fourth (33.65), finishing within three tenths of each other. "They're the ones who are going to have to do the job later on," North coach Jeff Dwyer said. "We're fortunate to have four strong all-arounders, and they've been carrying the team.

"THEERE ARE a lot of girls be-

"THERE ARE a lot of girls be-hind them who will get their day in

gymnastics

the limelight, but those four are leading the team."
Kahn won all the events, scoring 92 on vault, 8.7 on bars and beam and 9.05 on floor.
Szutarski was second on vault (8.85) and beam (8.55) and fourth on bars (8.35) and floor (8.5) and fourth on beam (8.0) and floor (8.5), indicated second on bars (8.35), theiler placed second on floor (8.55), theil on vault (8.81 and bars (8.4) and fourth on vault (8.83) and bars (8.4) and fourth on beam (7.8).
"Kahn has been real impressive the whole year." Dwyor said, "but what has been impressive lately that Kristin Szutarski and Jameelsh Gater have been turnig to a lot for one near the end of the season and that's helped.

"Gater is only a sophomore and has the potential, and she's starting to show it. Szularski is starting to peak at the right time with the league meet coming up."

The Western Lakes Activities As-

The Western Lakes Activities As-sociation will have its all-league meet on Thursday, March 1, at Canton High School Instead of Northville. A broken water main damaged the gym floor at North-ville, and the floor worl be re-paired in time for the meet.

ROUNDING OUT the top five in each event were Farmington's Maya Sardy on vault (8.1) and floor (7.5), North's Jamie Lawson on bars (7.5) and Harrison's Amy Solo-

bars (7.5) and Harrison's Amy Solo-mon on beam (7.45).

Farmington's top scores in other events came from Nicolo Gerwa-towski on bars (7.25) and Michelle Fenner on beam (7.05). Harrison's Michelle Davis had 7.4 on vault, So-lomon 6.75 on bars and 6.85 on floor. As alta-rounders, Fenner scored 28.35 and Solomon 27.45.

State titles up for grabs

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Streve Burlison (38-1-1) suffered his
Streve Burlison, who
was 1-2 at state last year, was overly
aggressive at the start of the bout
and got behind early, according to
"Bedford kits are very disciplined
westlers," he said. "You can't run
at them and try to deminate them on
the mais. You've got to be as smart
and cunning as them.
"I don't want my kids to be to a resignoial final you can't treat the opponent like he's never wrestled. You've
got to give the kid his due respect."
The good news is Burlison and others in his situation have another
chance to atone for past mistakes
this weekend.

"I'VE SEEN that done a lot,"
Krueger sald, adding Burlison's experience is a plus. "I'm not so sure a
tot of wrongs won't be right on the
"Last year he didn't catch a break
statte. This year he's got a chance.
He's got a chance to go all the way
and so does Brian."
Kuban (42-3) won by technical fall



Adam Cook of North Farmington grapples with Gibraltar Carlson's Ryan Thomas at 152 pounds Saturday. Cook didn't survive the regional, however.

and a 4-2 decision over Western Lakes rival Israel before losing to No. 3-ranked Mike Braswell of Belleville in the final. Braswell is 43-

No. 3-ranked Mike Braswell of Belleville in the final Braswell is 43-2-1.

"I thought we had a chance to win it, and I still think Kraig is capable of beating Mike." Glenn coach Tom Buckalew said.
"There's no denying Mike is an outstanding wrestler, but I have great deal of fath in Kraig. If it's at great deal of fath in Kraig, if it's at which the same of the sam

winning the first 5-4 and Brawell the last two. Kuban, however, wrestled better in the regional, and the 10-4 score doesn't reflect how even the bout was, according to Buckalew. CONVERSELY, Kuban has been the dominant wrestler in the series with Israel (34-12), but the latest clash was much closer, Krueger sald. Kuban's takedown late in the match broke a 2-2 tio. "Israel could've wrestled 160 for anybody else around herr." Krueger sald. "But we have Steven on our team, so he went up to 171. It is been outsized a 101, but he's come around

and beaten some good people. "He wrestled his hoart out and is real excited. I hope be gets hot at state; anything can happen." The others are hoping that holds true, also, Murphy (32-2). Ilke Israel, won a regional consolation title, and An Cleave (33-10), Hoffmeyer (24-14-1) and Wheeler (26-7) were fourth-place flinishers. Wheeler, who also just missed qualifying last year, is going to state for the first time. In addition, he has the distinction of being the only Livonia wrestler to get through the Class A regional and is the first Franklin wrestler to compete in a state meet in roughly a decadence of the control of the co SAVE \$13509 NOW



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