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By Marty Budner stall writer

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Mike Lane is not one to boast about his swim teams.

So when he starts entertaining thoughts about this possibly being thoughts about this possibly being the best Andover boys team in school history, you know this must be a special season.

And make no mistake about it — this Andover team is loaded.

The nationally-ranked Barons displayed their tremendous talent in front of a countywide crowd Feb. 2 in the annual Oskland County Boys Swimming and Diving Championships at Oakland University.

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ANDOVER WON eight of 12 events and broke four meet records in soaring to a 73-point victory over Birmingham Groves.

The Barons scored 282.5 points white the Falcons mustered 209.5. Birmingham Brother Rice was third with 165 points, followed by Rochester Adams (120) and Tray (110.5). Indeed, the highly favored Barons romped to victory in fairly easy fashion.

"I was cestatic. We swam great," Our goal is always to swim the best we can and be satisfied with what happens. We knew we had a good chance to win and they swam better than I thought they would.
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"We have some quality kids and it was a good showing. Going into this section I thought we had a chance for his to be the best team Andover has example and I think this is a very good even but they were better right now than whath we're better right now than whath we were last year at this time."

YOU WON'T GET an argument on that point from anyone who watched the Barons swim Saturday. Andover won six of the first seven individual events — the lone setback came in diving. The Barons followed that tremendous individual showing with a pair of freestyle relay triumphs. individual events — the lone setback charmlens in diving. The Barons followed that trumendous individual showing with a pair of freestyle relay trumphs.

The defending state champlons. The defending state champlons. The same of freestyle relay trumphs. The defending state champlons were fed by a pair of double winners — sentor Sam Kim and sophomore — sentor Sam Kim and sophomore and 100-butterfly (52.22) in meet-record times. Kim won both the 50-free (21.70) and 100-butterfly (52.22) in meet-record times. Karapetian after falling behind halfway through the 200-yard free style, stormed back to beat out Kevin Illainer of Groves by one-tenth of

swimming

a second. Kurapetian also took the 100-free in a meet-record time of 47.66.

MARK D'ERRICO won the indi-vidual medley for Andover with a 1:59.11 and teammate Eric Ma-tuszak took the 500-yard freestyle in

1:30.06, Karapetian, Kats Ohashi, Ma-tuszak and Kim combined to win the 200-free relay in a record time of 1:27.39.

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The winning foursome in the 400-free relay (3:15.68) was Matuszak, Marty Rea, D'Errico and Karape-

Groves scored victories in the other two individual swimming events.

SENIOR BOB SALA outdistanced every other challenger by at least a second to win the 100-yard back-stroke in 54.73.

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Falcons teammate Drew Hansz followed \$3.13 win with a victory in the 100-yard breastsroke with a 1.00.11 to barby- eclipse the meet record (Rochester's Jim Bruzzes set the old mark of 1.00.20 in 1987.

Groves began the meet with meet record time of 1.38.92 in winning the 200-yard medley relay.

"WE DROPPED most of our times and for the first time this year I thought we swam good in a championship-type meet," said Groves coach Darin Abbasse, whose team is 40 in dual-mate competition. "We knew we'd finish among the top three and we wanted to try and push Andover as much as we could. "I thought we did a great job of challenging the state champions," he said.



Results.

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Patriots topple Canton

For Livonia Franklin junior Keith Roberts, Priday's basket ball game began much earlier than the scheduled 7:30 pm. Start.

"I came here right after school and shot until 5, so I gol about three hours of shotting," said Roberts after he scored a Castror's thip is goints — one more than his previous varsity best — as the Patriots downed visiting Plymouth Canton 63-

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Raiders win close one over WLC

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"We started to execute the of-fense a little better after the first quarter," North coach Tom Negoshian sald. quarter, 1001... Negoshian sald. The Raiders are 6-8 overall, 4-4

sion. Contral is 5-10 overall and 2-7 in the league.

In the league.

Senior forward Chris White and Senior center Bill Chwalik scored 13 points each to lead the winners. Temple and Dean Pennala had 11 apiece.

Christian Emert tallied a gamehigh 22 points for the VMings, and Mike Gliski added 12.

North made 19 of 34 free throws, while Central converted 16 of 26.

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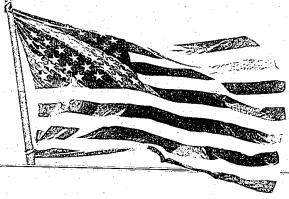
and 0-8.
Sentor forward K.C. Kirkpatrick scored a game-high 14 points for Salem. Sentor guard Mike Mulder and senior center Cliff Lee tallied 13 and 10, respectively.
Forward Steve Gallagher had 11 points in a losing cause for the Falcons.







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