

Mercy rallies to beat Marian

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Sever and Hansen had two hits each for Farmington, but the Rocks tagged Hansen and Wojcik for a total of 11 hits.

A THROWING error by Farmington's third baseman allowed Farmington's pitcher, Jeff Banish, to score and give the host Marlins a 4-4 tie from behind victory Tuesday.

Mercy (10-5) dropped the nightcap 14-9.

The Marlins trailed 4-0 entering the sixth inning but scored four times to tie the game 4-4 going into the final inning. Banish tied off with a walk and scored when Kathleen Berrigan's grounder was thrown away.

Senior Maureen Paulin picked up the win, going the distance while striking out 11 and walking only one. Sophomore Katie Heffernan went 3-for-3 with one run scored and one RBI.

Mercy jumped to a 4-0 lead in the second game, but Marian's attack was too much for the Marlins. The Mustangs scored three times in the third inning, four in the fifth and five in the sixth.

Sophomore Krista Miller started on the mound for Mercy and picked up the loss, giving up the first six runs. Heffernan was 2-for-2 with four RBIs, and senior Angela Mastrianni added two hits and one RBI.

Mercy swept a Catholic League double-header Monday from visiting Riverview Gabriel Richard, 6-3 and 10-0.

In the first game, the Marlins led 6-0 in the sixth inning before Richard mounted a short-lived rally.

Paulin recorded the win, scattering five hits in seven innings. Berrigan was 2-for-3, scored twice and stole two bases, including home plate.

In the second game, Mercy battled back from a 7-2 deficit and scored three runs in the decisive fifth inning after trailing 8-6 at the start.

In the fifth inning, Paulin and Berrigan had RBIs singles, and Kim Reichard stole home on a double steal.

Paulin was 3-for-3 and picked up the win after entering the game in relief in the fourth inning. Berrigan had two hits and one RBI, Colleen Nowicki two RBIs.

BEHIND KAREN Seremet's two-hitter and Alicia Romig's bases-loaded triple, North Farmington routed host Farmington Hills Harrison 13-0 Tuesday.

Despite collecting only six hits, the Raiders mercied the Hawks after scoring four runs in the fifth inning. North is 11-2 overall.

Seremet walked only one and struck out seven. Romig tripled home Katie Bohne, Terri Graca and Eve Clair. Dana Botwick had two hits, and Clair and Bohne scored three runs each.

Seremet starred in North's 11-0 victory over host Livonia Stevenson Monday, which made the Raiders 4-0 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Seremet scattered five hits, walked one and struck out four in going the distance.

"She's going to be making a name for herself this season, and next year she's going to be a pitcher to be reckoned with," North coach Dave Brubaker said of the junior.

North's 16-hit attack was led by Bohne, who went 4-for-5. Dana Botwick was 3-for-4 with two RBIs, and Clair and Graca added two hits apiece.

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Hawks sweep RU, lose to Chiefs

Farmington Hills Harrison swept a baseball double-header Saturday from non-league foe Redford Union but lost a more important league game Monday to Plymouth Canton.

Senior Andrew Smith was the winning pitcher in the first of the RU games and was a key contributor at the plate in both, 11-1 and 8-2 victories.

Smith pitched a three-hitter, struck out 10 and walked just one. His earned run average is an impressive 0.81 for a modest 8 1/2 innings in two appearances.

Steve Hagopian and Mike Pesci had two hits apiece. Hagopian also scored two runs and collected three RBIs. Pesci one run and two RBIs.

Smith scored two runs and had one RBI, and Dan Hight had one run and two RBIs. Both had one hit.

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The Hawks dipped to 2-2 in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association Monday after losing to visiting Plymouth Canton, 7-2. Harrison is 5-4 overall.

The Chiefs are 4-0 in the division and 8-3 overall. Canton has won five of its last six games.

Ben Hendricks had a two-run double and Marc Pennebaker a two-run single for the winners. Mike Wougamon and Brian Tiell had two hits apiece, and Wougamon also scored two runs and had one RBI.

Scott Kennedy (3-1) went the distance for Canton, holding the Hawks to four hits while striking out eight and walking three.

Pesci was the losing pitcher. Devine had two hits, and Dennis Turner had a hit, scored a run and notched an RBI.

NORTH FARMINGTON evened its Lakes Division record at 2-2 with an 11-2 thrashing of visiting Livonia Stevenson Monday. The Raiders are 3-5 overall.

Mike Powers went five innings for the victory

Country Lanes honors elite

Bruce Falcon of Rochester Hills and Mike Calvin of Canton both helped Saginaw Valley State University earn its first-ever National Collegiate Men's Bowling Championship, April 20 at Columbus, Ohio.

In the two-game semifinals and finals, Saginaw Valley edged out Wichita State (second) and Nebraska (third).

Country Lanes in Farmington Hills held its Hall of Fame Tournament on Saturday, April 20. The tournament consisted of the top 40 men and women bowlers based on league scores.

At the final, Brian Morga was the top finisher with 710 total for three games.

Morga edged out yours truly (Al Harrison), 229-226. In the first match, Ron Blanchard then eliminated Morga and met Bill Funke in the finals.

Funke won the championship by beating Blanchard. First prize was a free trip for two to Atlantic City. (Yours truly had tournament high game of 278.)

Now is a good time for bowlers to start thinking about spring and summer leagues. Entries are available at the following centers.

Some folks prefer to take the summer off, while others want to work on their game a bit. Summer leagues are usually a bargain as well.

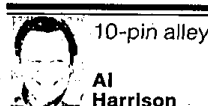
Summer leagues are also a good time to try out your new equipment. There's something for everyone during the summer months.

Some of the summer leagues include: Bumper Bowlers (ages 3-7), youth leagues, beginner leagues, mixed leagues, classic leagues and senior citizen leagues.

Most summer leagues run just 10 or 12 weeks, leaving plenty of time for that vacation trip.

If you don't plan on joining a league, it would still be good to get that bag out every once in a while and go open bowling. You don't want to be rusty when the fall season rolls around.

I am asking for help from my readers in seeking out a particular story. I understand that there is a pig farm where old bowling balls are thrown into the pens for the pigs to play with. This stops the pigs from taking their aggressions out on each other. Instead they



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knock around a Brunswick or AMF bowling ball.

If any of my readers know the whereabouts of this pig farm, please write and let me know. I think it would make an interesting story.

Pro bowler Pete Weber did something embarrassing a couple of weeks back after winning a nationally televised tournament in Indianapolis.

During the awards presentation, Weber held the winners trophy high over his head, causing the silver eagle on top to fall.

Weber and everyone present looked at the tiny pieces as they lay on the floor. At least the \$40,000 check was still in one piece.

I possibly may have found the best mailbox post in town.

The mailbox sits on top of a bowling pin and ball. The house is located on Nine Mile Road, between Northwestern Highway and Evergreen.

I will try to get a picture of it when I return from my trip to Florida with Sandy.

As you read this, we are enjoying our honeymoon. That is why there are no scores in today's column.

When we return, I will bring you up-to-date on scores and various league champions from around the area.

If you are a league officer, please have your champions listed with the bowling establishment manager. They will pass the information along to me and I will get your teams in this column.

There are a few of the summer leagues being offered at Al's (Bloomfield Lanes, Super

Bowling Center and Woodland Lanes in Livonia.

West Bloomfield Lanes has a Wednesday Juniors Fun Mixed League which begins at 7:30 p.m. It is slated to start Wednesday May 8 and run for 12 weeks.

The 10-week Wednesday Youth League will begin on June 19. Ages 6-12 will begin at 4 p.m., and ages 12 and up will start at 6 p.m.

Bumper Bowling Leagues for youths 3-7 begin on May 2 at 10:30 a.m. or May 7 at 1 p.m. There are 12 week programs. For details, call Angela at 851-8500.

Super Bowl offers Wednesday Morning Trios at 10 a.m. or Tuesday Night Trios at 8 p.m. There is a Battle of the Sexes League at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. This league has women's teams playing men's teams.

There is a Parents/Adult Youth League at 6 p.m. Tuesdays. These are four-person teams (two parents and two children).

Other leagues at Super Bowl include: Adult Youth Bumper League, 6:30 p.m. Mondays; Ladies League, 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays; and 9:30 a.m. Thursdays. Men's Leagues, 1 p.m. Sundays, 6 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays; and 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Men's Junior League, 8 p.m. Mondays; Mixed Leagues, 8 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Sundays; Senior Citizens League, 10 a.m. Mondays; Youth Leagues, 6:30 p.m. Mondays; Teen Mixed League, 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays; Youth Mixed League, 4:15 p.m. Thursdays.

For further information, call 452-6270. Woodland Lanes has a Tuesday Night Men's League which begins action at 9:15 p.m.

There is a Tuesday Senior House Trio, which kicks off at 7:30 p.m. First place is \$1,500.

The Thursday Afternoon Delights Foursome has been disappearing and begins at 1 p.m.

Other leagues at Woodland Lanes include: Men's Junior House Trio, Thursday at 7:30 p.m.; Ladies League, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.; Bumpers, Thursday at 7:30 p.m.; Guys and Girls Mixed League, Monday at 7:30 p.m.; Newsprint League (unit your neighbors), Tuesday at 7 p.m.; Lo-Average or No-Average, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.; Bucks and Dons, Sunday at 1:30 p.m.; Family League, Monday at 7:30 p.m.; Youth Leagues (6-17 years old), Tuesday at 4 p.m.; Bumper Bowlers (13-6 years old), Tuesday at 4 p.m. or Wednesday at 1 p.m.; Rock and Roll (13-16 years old), Friday at 7:30 p.m.; Senior Citizens League, Monday and Friday at noon.

Try to bowl at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays. There is a video and on-line instruction. For more information, call 525-4515.

and was supported by a six-run third. Chris White pitched the last two innings, and his two-run homer in the fifth gave North an 8-0 lead.

Mike Jehle was 3-for-4, stole three bases and drove in two runs for the Raiders. White had three RBIs.

FARMINGTON FELL to unbeaten and state-ranked Plymouth Salem 3-0 Monday. The No. 6 Rocks are 4-0 in the Lakes Division and 10-0 overall.

The victory came on the heels of a championship effort Saturday in the Monroe-Taylor Tournament in which the Rocks defeated rival Plymouth Canton 11-4 in the final.

Junior right-hander Chris Tomas scattered five hits Monday for his second victory. He struck out six and had no walks while throwing 71 pitches in seven innings.

The Rocks hope their success continues today when they play unbeaten and No. 2-rated Westland John Glenn in a double-header on the road at 4 p.m.

Kevin Craggs slammed a solo homer for the winning run Monday, and Scott Niemiec had two hits for the fifth consecutive game.

Dan Plumley had two hits for the Falcons, and Mike Shelp pitched the entire game, allowing seven hits and two walks.

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BASEBALL SIGN-UP

The South Farmington Baseball Club is registering players in the following age groups: 15-16 (Colt), must be born between Aug. 1, 1974, and July 31, 1976; 17-18 (Palomino), must be born between Aug. 1, 1972, and July 31, 1974.

Both are travel league teams. Players must live or go to school in the Farmington/Farmington Hills area to be eligible. Call Marty Wilk at 476-1913 for information.

Marlins prevail

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damage in Saturday's 1-1 tie at Royal Oak Kimball, coach Deepak Shivraman said.

Dudley will be out at least 10 more days, he added.

O'Connor, a stopper, also will miss another 10 days because of an ankle injury she suffered earlier in the season. Laurie Chapp filled in Monday for Dudley, and freshman Theresa Cisco played in place of O'Connor.

"Both are serious injuries and both affect the team," Shivraman said. "When players get hurt, rehab depends on mental attitude and I think both players are so mentally strong that their progress will be speedy and they'll be back 100 percent."

Before injuring her knee, Dudley scored Mercy's only goal against Kimball, a non-conference opponent.

All-American wins 1st

All-American Sports Center of Farmington Hills opened the Livonia Men's Modified Fast-Pitch Softball League with a 4-3 win over the O'Connell Indians Monday at Ford Field.

Curt White collected the win for All-American. He struck out three, walked four and allowed seven hits in six innings.

Doug Kirkpatrick's two-out, two-run double in the fifth inning scored Dan Pierce and Brian Tiller with the tying and winning runs. Tim Robinson had two hits for the winners.

Other league scores were: AJs over ALT, 11-0; Suburban Door over Malarky's Pub, 2-0; Bedford Electric over Crestwood Lounge, 3-1; Pri-mo's over Mid-Joy Party Shoppe, 7-2; Total Foods over Papa Romano's, 11-3; and the Marauders over Pulice Bros. Construction, 7-4.

Jerry Stazek pitched a two-hitter for AJs, and Ron Sitkauskas and Jeff Kiefer paced the 14-hit attack with three apiece.

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