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Girls track victories

Farmington and Harrison, despite losing the last event, had built strong enough leads to withstand dual-meet challenges in girls track Thursday.

The Falcons topped visiting Walled Lake Central 67-61, and the Hawks edged host Livonia Churchill 66-62.

Team depth was crucial for Farmington, which won only six individual events and one relay.

Becky Washnock, Sherri Yitlala and Kay Rodgers had two firsts each. Washnock won the shot put (33-6) and discus (101-2). Yitlala both hurdle races with 18.0 and 51.9 times.

Rodgers won the 200-meter dash in 28.5 and anchored the 400 relay team, which included Colleen Welking, Amber Reiser and Candice Eriener and had a 55.2 time.

Farmington's only other first came from Andrea Sulzer in the high jump (4-8).

The Falcons are 2-2 in the Lakes Division and 3-2 overall.

Central had double winners in Shannon Capstick, who won the long jump (15-2) and 400 dash (1:01.2), and Tashita Belcher, who had times of 5:49.6 and 13:04.2 in the distance runs.

Harrison also relied on its depth to defeat the Chargers, winning the same number of individual events and relays as Farmington.

Colleen Heinemann gave the Hawks first place in the long jump (14-8) and high hurdles (16.4).

Heather Conley won the 100 dash (13.2) and anchored the 800 relay team, which also consisted of Krista Snow, Angie Peans and Lori Hubble and had the best Harrison time of the season at 1:52.7.

The Hawks also got firsts from Maureen McQuiston, who exceeded her previous best in the discus by 12 feet while throwing 95-8, Becky Peans in the 800 run (1:06.6) and Sherri Stulnick in the 3,200 run (12:58.7).

Harrison is 3-1 in the Western Division and 3-2 overall.

Livonia Stevenson stayed tied with Plymouth Salem for first place in the Lakes Division, improving its record to 4-0 by defeating North Farmington 87-41 at Stevenson.

Regan Krefover and Jenny Weh had individual wins and were part of the winning 3,200 relay for the Raiders, 0-1 and 0-5.

Krefover won the 800 run in 2:28.6 and Weh the 1,600 in 5:29.7. North swept first place in the distance runs, with Emily Shively winning the 3,200 in 12:31.6.

North's Arienne Dowdell won the 100 dash (13.5), and the 3,200 relay team of Lisa Wontuck, Amy Roberts, Krefover and Weh finished with a 10:47.4 time.

Teresa Sarno of Stevenson threw the discus 135-2 to break the school record of 128-7 set last year by Debbie Wroblewski.

Farmington soccer

Sue Gibson scored two goals and had two assists Wednesday in Farmington's 5-2 victory over Walled Lake Central in girls soccer. Gibson leads the Falcons with 21 goals and seven assists.

Maggie Frump, Michelle Lorenz and Kim Popyk accounted for one goal each as the Falcons finished 1-2-1 in the Lakes Division and 6-3-1 overall.

Farmington led 2-0 at halftime on Gibson's goals. The Vikings closed 3-2 before Popyk and Frump finished the scoring. Popyk, Fran Karim and Lorenz also assisted on goals.

"I thought we played a good game," Farmington coach Cathy Kananan said. "Central, although they didn't get many shots, played well and their keeper kept them in the game."

The Falcons, who play host to Northville at 5:30 p.m. today, took 33 shots at the Central goal, the Vikings four at the Farmington nets.

Mercy golfers unbeaten

Farmington Hills Mercy won its 10th consecutive dual meet without a loss Thursday, defeating Livonia Franklin 204-216 at Idylwyld Golf Course in Livonia.

Senior Kristyn Schukins fired a 44 to lead the Marlinas. Summer Woods shot 51, Dawn Deshaw 54, Amy Schukins and Lindsey Haters 55 each.

Mercy made it nine straight victories Wednesday, winning 225-260 over Livonia Ladywood at Idylwyld.

Kristyn Schukins finished with a 46 to pace the Marlinas again. Deshaw shot 54, Kyla Wisne 62 and Cyndi Knuth 63.

CC takes lacrosse win

Redford Catholic Central led throughout and defeated the University of Detroit-Jewett High 6-5 Thursday in a lacrosse game hosted by the Cubs.

CC, No. 3 ranked in the state, improved to 10-3 overall and 6-2 in Division I. U-D-Jewett is 4-3.

Brian Rice scored two goals for the winners while Brian Ronayne, Tim Williams, Matt Holtz and Justin Ronayne added one each. CC scored the game's first goal in the first half and never again was tied.

Williams scored CC's sixth goal at 8:34 of the fourth period to make the lead 6-4. Goalkeeper Alex Alvar earned the win with 23 saves.

North reaches WLAA final

North Farmington attempts to add the Western Lakes baseball title to its growing list of baseball achievements today.



land John Glenn.

The Raiders finished 8-2 in the Lakes Division after being blanked 7-0 by Glenn on Friday.

They tied with Walled Lake Central for first place but won the tiebreaker because North won the last meeting with the Vikings.

The Raiders (12-2) play host to Western Division champ Walled Lake Western for the league title at 4 p.m. today.

Mark Temple gave up his first earned runs and suffered his first loss against Glenn, which had nine hits and three walks off Temple (6-1), who went the distance and struck out seven.

Aaron Scheffer was the winner, tossing a three-hitter. Greg Tamas was 3-for-3 and scored two runs, and Jamie Murphy and Derek Besco drove in two runs each for the Rockets, 5-5 and 6-6.

Jack Wilks, Temple and Jon Sturtz had the hits for North, which had a much better day Wednesday when the Raiders swept a double-header from defending state champion and host Plymouth Salem, 7-1 and 4-3.

In the second game, North scored its runs after two were out in the first and fifth frames. Sturtz hit a two-run single for a 2-0 lead.

Mike Jehle kept the fifth going when he was safe after the Salem catcher dropped the ball on an inning-ending strikeout. Jason Horwitz walked and Temple and Sturtz followed with RBI singles.

Adam Chalmers was the winning pitcher and had a pair of doubles. He pitched a complete game, gave up six hits and two walks and fanned four. Curt Singleton was the loser, giving the distance and allowing eight hits and four walks.

"He pitched an excellent game," North coach Irv Horwitz said. "We just took advantage of some fantastic breaks."

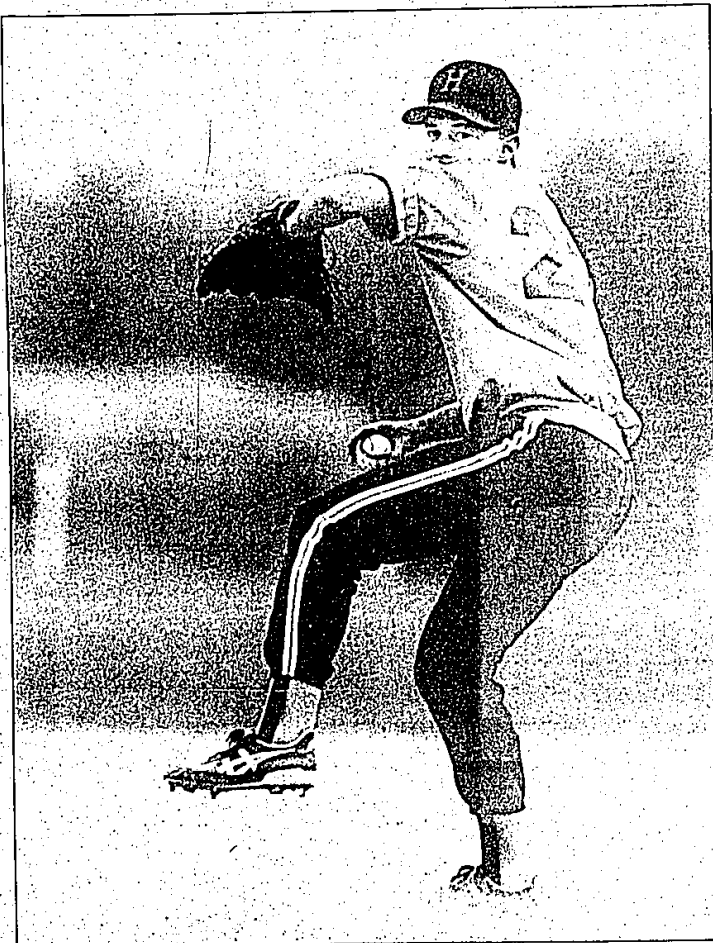
Salem took a 3-2 lead in the fourth with a bases-loaded error after base hits by Ed Gundry, Chip Wolkowski and Singleton and Bryan Dane's two-run single.

Senior left-hander Josh Tobias was the distance to get the win in the first game. He allowed only five hits and one walk.

"He doesn't overpower anybody," Horwitz said, adding Tobias is returning to form after being hit in the knee with a line drive before Easter vacation. "He just puts the ball over the plate. He was never really in trouble and did a fantastic job."

Jehle had two hits and scored two runs, Temple had two hits and three RBIs and Wilks scored three runs. Jehle, Horwitz and Sturtz batted in one run each.

Dan Hutchinson worked 4 1/3 innings and was tagged with the loss. Singleton had two hits and Gundry one RBI for the Rockets.



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Baseball final: Keye Smith was on the mound for Harrison in the last regular-season baseball game Friday, but the Hawks didn't fare well against Walled Lake Western.

WESTERN 10, HARRISON 2: The Hawks finished league play Friday with a four-inning, mercy-rules defeat at home against the WLAA Western Division champion Warriors.

In winning its second division title in three years, Western scored four runs in the first inning and four more in the second and held an 8-1 after four innings. The Warriors blew the lid off the game with an 11-run outburst in the fifth.

Winning pitcher Andy Nicholas scattered three hits, fanned six and walked one.

Joe Kalhorn and Todd McMillan

paced Western's 18-hit offensive attack with three hits and four RBI each. Eric Christensen, also had three hits and drove in three runs and Mike Zidinski drove in four runs with one hit and three walks.

The Hawks lost to Livonia Franklin 4-3 Wednesday in eight innings.

Harrison scored one run in the top of the eighth before Franklin came back with a pair in the bottom of the inning to win.

Ron Sherry pitched 7 1/3 innings for the Patriots, leaving with Harrison ahead 3-2. Kevin Crumley earned the win by getting the final out of the eighth.

Eric Holmes, pinch running for Jeff Schaffer, scored from third on a wild pitch to tie the score 3-3 in the eighth. Sherry drove home the winning run with a sacrifice fly.

STEVENSON 4, FARMINGTON 1: Livonia Stevenson scored a pair of insurance runs in the sixth inning to beat the Falcons and keep them winless (0-10) in the WLAA Lakes Division.

J.J. Barog was the winning pitcher, throwing strikes on 61 of his 84 pitches. Brandon Cagnon was the loser. Collin Stockton hit a two-run single for the winners.

Rockets top Raiders; share Lakes title

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Westland John Glenn's softball team has beaten the final.

During the two previous seasons, the Rockets lost the Lakes Division title in the Western Lakes Activities Association on the last day.

But that all changed Friday, despite a few anxious moments, as they defeated North Farmington to claim a share of the divisional crown with Walled Lake Central (8-2 records each) after a 10-5 come-from-behind win over the Raiders.

Glenn, however, will not play in today's WLAA championship game. The Rockets lost out on the top seed to Central on a tiebreaker format. Central travels to Western Division champion Plymouth Canton.

"This is an accomplishment when you look at the teams in our division such as Central and Plymouth Salem," said Glenn coach Linda Jimenez, whose club is 13-3 overall. "This team has seven seniors and three sophomores, but for the seniors who started on the varsity as sophomores, it means something."

"We understood that we lost the title (Lakes) in the final game (the past two years), but we didn't

talk about it."

When North grabbed a 5-4 lead in the bottom of the fifth on Becky Thurman's RBI single, scoring Alicia Rung, the Glenn coach was caught muttering to herself, "Here we go again."

The Rockets then unloaded for five runs in the top of the sixth, sending nine batters to the plate. North pitcher Karen Seremet was rocked by Nikki Wojcik's three-run homer after catcher Karen Olack tied the game with tomahawk-chop RBI smash to center, scoring Nikki Nagel.

Ironically, Glenn got a break to start the inning when Nagel reached base on a North outfield error, a routine fly that dropped in between two fielders.

The Rockets also added another run in the same inning when designated hitter Lynn Little tripled in Christi Wyrlikowski.

Glenn added another run in the seventh on a single by Olack and a double by Jenni Walaszek to put it out of reach.

"We couldn't close the door with two outs," said North coach Dave Brubaker, whose team made four errors. "They got three (runs) in the second after two were out."

In the top of the third, Glenn's Jamie Cook doubled off Karen Seremet to open the inning.

Seremet then retired two batters in a row before three costly North miscues resulted in runs scored by Cook, Walaszek and Wojcik. (Little had an RBI single during the surge to give Glenn a 4-1 lead.)

"We made mental errors and our share of physical ones, too," said Brubaker, whose team finished 4-6 in the Lakes. (The Raiders are 6-9 overall.) "We had eight hits ourselves and that should be enough in fast-pitch softball."

"And I think we have one of the better pitchers in the league, but she does not get the offensive and defensive support like some of the other teams."

Glenn, meanwhile, gave plenty of support to starter Cathy Mruk, the senior right-hander who struck out two and walked three.

"Cathy was not as sharp as she has been, but she was able to work it out on her own," Jimenez said. "I don't have to say much to her."

In the second inning, shortstop Carrie Rachwal squashed a North threat with runners on second and third, snaring a line drive and turning it into a double play. Mruk also snared a line drive in the sixth.

North had three players collecting two hits apiece including Amy Keltman, Alicia Romig (including a solo homer in the second) and Thurman.