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## Soph assists Mercy win

**F**armington Hills Mercy golf coach Vicky Kowalski couldn't have been more pleased with her decision to put sophomore Carrie Sheridan in the lineup for a varsity match Thursday.

When a regular varsity player shot 64, Sheridan's 59 enabled the Marlins to beat Milford 206-208 at Hartland Glenn. Amy Schulkins shot 46 to lead Mercy (5-0), Summer Woods 47 and Tina Mudej 54.

The Marlins added to their successes Friday by winning the Monroe Jefferson Invitational at Basin River Golf Course. Mercy shot 381, Livonia Stevenson 386 and Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central 399.

Woods was second overall and first for Mercy with a final score of 90, and Schulkins tied for third at 91. Gina Mazzoni shot 99 and Mudej 101. St. Mary-CC's Rachel Billan was the medalist with 84 strokes.

The Marlins were third and six strokes behind the leader, Stevenson, at the turn but knocked 11 strokes off their score (196-185) on the back nine. Woods trimmed four strokes (47-43), Mazzoni five (52-47) and Mudej three (52-49).

## Two Hot wins tourney

**A** quartet of Mercy High School athletes won the high school girls division of the Roundball Classic 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament April 17 at the Silverdome.

Members of the Two Hot team are sophomore captain James Emerson, junior Mitzel Ruddock, sophomore Ebony Landrum and freshman Mary Jane Valade.

In the final, Two Hot defeated Nothin' But Net, a team consisting of Mercy sophomore Jennifer Brennan, Birmingham Marian sophomores Sabrina Kussab and Alexis Koenigs, and Walled Lake Western freshman Jody Miller.

## Young top hitter at CMU

**K**evin Young continues to hit the ball well for the Central Michigan University baseball team.

The junior third baseman, who played at Farmington High School, went 9-for-19 with two home runs and nine RBI in games against Western Michigan and Ball State.

Young is batting .406 (.37-of-83) for the season and leads the team in homers (10) and RBI (35). He also has the highest slugging percentage at .904.

The Chippewas were 10-4 in the Mid-American Conference and 22-7 overall following the wins over Western and Ball State.

## Gymnast wins accolade

**K**elly Carfora of Farmington Hills was one of three women gymnasts from the University of Michigan named to the All-Big Ten team.

She helped the Wolverines win their third consecutive Big Ten championship last month, 194.860 to 194.025 over Penn State.

Carfora, who attended Munster (Ind.) High School, placed fifth on the vault with a 9.9 score at the Central Regional Championships April 9.

The fourth-ranked Wolverines (13-0 Big Ten, 27-1 overall) were seeded sixth among 12 teams at the NCAA National Championships last weekend in Salt Lake City, Utah.

## College diamond honors

**L**ocal players ruled as the NAIA District 23's weekly baseball honorees.

Jeff Koester, a senior center fielder at Siena Heights from Westland John Glenn, was selected as player of the week for April 11-18. Koester batted .550 (11-of-20) and scored eight runs. He also stole seven bases in nine attemps.

The district's pitcher of the week was Madonna freshman sensation Craig Benedict (Plymouth Canton), who threw a no-hitter and is 4-0 with a district-best 1.28 ERA.

In the district softball rankings, Madonna freshman Jeanie Baxter (Redford St. Agatha) leads the pack with a .531 batting average. Junior Maureen Paulin (Livonia/Farmington Hills Mercy) is third with a .431 average and sophomore Michelle Birnmeier (Redford Thurston) sixth at .395.

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## Raiders shock Rocks, boost image



North Farmington gained a measure of respectability in Western Lakes Activities Association girls soccer Wednesday with a momentous win over perennial league power Plymouth Salem, 4-0.

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In a sport dominated by the Livonia and Plymouth-Canton schools, North Farmington has struggled in years past to be competitive in Western Lakes Activities Association girls soccer.

But that changed last week when the Raiders, achieving the biggest victory in the history of their program, smashed Plymouth Salem 4-0 at North Wednesday.

"Any team like North Farmington that has played well in the past but had nothing to show for it on the scoreboard needs to have this kind of

success," North coach Kris Galczyk said.

"It was like a dream. Finally. It was also a dream for many girls on the team who have played together for a few years and lost games by a few goals. But times have changed. Now we win it."

The Raiders, 1-0 in the Lakes Division and 2-2 in the WLAA, stunned the Rocks by scoring three goals in the first half.

North forwards Ali Lord and Carrie Reje scored two goals apiece. Lord also assisted on both Reje goals, and Erika Dyke and Candace Perkins assisted on the two by Lord.

(Lord and Reje) were well organized," Galczyk said. "They understand each other, because they've played together three years. They know what to do on the field."

Galczyk also had praise for midfielders Perkins, Amanda Markus, Christina Rieco and Dyke who provided "exceptional support" to the forwards and distributed the ball.

But the real key, according to Galczyk, was the defense played by Jenna Geiger, who missed the first three games because of illness and was playing her first game as sweeper, Christin Glavak, Natalie Reje and Kelley Wachsbarg. Melke Ziegler earned her first shutout in goal.

"(Salem) didn't create quality scoring situations," Galczyk said. "All of their shots were taken outside of the penalty box. We were real dominating in our defense and controlled the front of our goal."

"In the second half, Salem put pressure on us for 10 to 15 minutes, but we held on and hit them with a counter attack for another goal."

The Raiders took a positive step last year when they tied Salem, but instead of playing a defensive game this year they went on the attack and forced Salem to play defense.

"I was surprised with the score but not the overall game," Galczyk said. "After the second half we played against Livonia Franklin (Monday in a 6-3 loss). I expected it to be a close game. I didn't expect to win 4-0; however, I was thinking maybe 0-0 or a 1-0 win."

"I believe this kind of win and the way our team played showed we are able to compete at the highest levels of our league. This will give our players an additional boost to work hard

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Track leader Amber Reiser won the 100-meter hurdles (above) and had four first-places Thursday, playing a key role in Farmington's 110-18 dual-meet victory over Walled Lake Central.

## North tops Stevenson; Falcons also 2-0

## GIRLS TRACK

North Farmington is looking more like a contender in Lakes Division girls track after defeating host Livonia Stevenson 74-54 Thursday.

It was the first loss for the Spartans after four straight dual-meet wins. The Raiders won 2-0.

"North has an even bigger challenge ahead when it meets defending Western Lakes Activities Association champion Plymouth Salem in the coming weeks, but it appears fully capable of claiming second place in the Lakes."

"This was a really big win," North coach Bill Pinnell said, adding it was the first win over Stevenson in his nine years as coach.

"A month ago I would have thought we'd score 40 or 50 points against Stevenson. After seeing some of our performances last week, I knew this meet would be very close. We're right on target for where we should be."

Alissa Gordon and Heather Burcar won two individual events each for

the Raiders and were on a winning relay team as well.

Gordon won first in the shot put (34-7/4) and the discus (103-1). Burcar went 15-10 in the long jump and posted a 1:03.9 time in the 400-meter run.

Gordon, Allison Branton, Ava Lala and Monica Czerwinski won the 400 relay for North in 53.4. The Raiders finished the meet with Keegan Keefover, Burcar, Amanda Whitten and Shannon McCoy winning the 1,600 relay in 4:26.5.

Other relay runners were contributors in individual events, too. Czerwinski won the 100 dash (15.4), Lala the 200 (28.3) and Keefover the 800 (2:34).

"Our throwers got us started early by sweeping the discus," Pinnell said. "The discus and 800 were probably

the two biggest surprises. Keegan took off in the 800 and gave us a big win."

"We got first and second in the 200 without putting Burcar in there, and we were able to save her for the mile relay. The girls were really into the meet, and I was pleased with all our performances."

## Falcons rout Vikings

Farmington won every event but the 3,200 relay Thursday and coasted to victory over visiting Walled Lake Central, 110-18.

The Falcons are 1-0 in the Lakes Division and 2-0 overall, the Vikings 0-1 and 0-2.

Amber Reiser was involved in four first-place finishes and was one of three Farmington girls with two individual wins.

She was first in the 100 hurdles (17.3) and the 200 dash (29.5). Kim Washnock had double victories in the shot put (28-7/4) and the discus (82-

1), and Kay Rodgers won the long jump (14-4) and 100 dash (13.8).

Reiser also was on two winning relay teams as were Colleen Welasing and Sara Urevig, who won the 300 hurdles (52.2).

Welasing, Reiser, Anne Brancalone and Rodgers captured first place in the 400 relay (54.2). Urevig anchored the 800 team (2:00.3), which included Welasing, Lauren Tucker and Reiser, and followed Tracy Finlayson, Aimee Cameron and Alina Hentnik in the 1,600 (4:40.3).

Other Farmington winners were Andrea Salyer in the high jump (5-2), Lix Quenneville in the 400 (1:07.5), Finlayson, 800 (2:32.1); Anne Grimaldi, 1,600 (6:09); and Dana Goba, 3,200 (13:26.9).

## Hawks hammer Chargers

Junior Krista Snow and freshman Devron Kennedy recorded four first-place finishes

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theirs were dropping in between," Teachman said.

Ault's double and Mysslinaki's single were the only hits for Harrison (0-1 and 2-2). Jill Potter was 3-for-3 with two RBI for Western.

"We had only one other base runner, so we couldn't get our running game going either," Teachman said.

■ **STEVENSON 10, FARMINGTON 4:** The host Spartans broke a 3-3 tie Friday with three runs in the bottom of the fourth and fifth innings.

Farmington outhit Stevenson 13-9 but made four errors. Leading pitcher Alissa Hinkins had two hits and scored one run each. Mario Walker also had two hits and one RBI.

On Friday, Walled Lake Western overcame Farmington's 1-0 lead with four runs in the fifth and two in the sixth. Hinkins surrendered four hits and eight walks. Jenny Sever had two hits and scored two runs, and Walker again had two hits and scored a run.

The Falcons are 0-1 in the Lakes Division and 1-4 overall.

■ **GLDEN 9, NORTH 2:** The Rockets scored four times in the

first inning Thursday and led 6-0 after 3A. Glenn outhit the Raiders 11-3.

Glenn pitcher Lynn Little walked just two and struck out five. Becky Thurman took the loss after striking out six and walking four, and she also had two hits and one RBI.

Christi Wyrzykowski and Kelly Kiene had three hits apiece, and Amanda Samkovich hit a two-run homer for Glenn, 1-0 in the Lakes Division and 6-2 overall.

On Wednesday, Livonia Churchill pitcher Karen Goss blanked the host Raiders 8-0. She gave up three hits while walking three and striking out 11.

■ **HARPER WOODS 10, CUYLLE 2:** Livonia Clarenceville hurt itself by committing eight errors Friday in a loss at Harper Woods.

Despite only five hits, Harper Woods scored in every inning. The victim of the poor defense was Wendy Roy, who struck out five and walked 13. Only six runs were earned.

The Trojans (1-3) scored both of their runs in the third, one coming on a solo homer by Roy. Kris Radloff scored the other on a passed ball.

"We made some silly, frustrating errors," Clarenceville coach Wendy Kallahan said. "We were executing and doing the things we're supposed to be doing but making errors in the process. We have to give Wendy more support on the mound."

"And on offense, we have to be much more aggressive. We can't watch the ball go by. If you get in a hole, you have to work your way out of it."