#### MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1996

# **SPORTS**

## FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

#### Buha paces Duke effort

ason Buha of Farmington, a junior at Duke University, fired a final-round 72 for a 139 total and second-place tie in the Matlock Collegiate Golf Cleasic March 3 in Mulborry, Fla. Buha, a former standout at Farmington High School and Cleas A individual state champlon, led Duke to a three-team tie for fourth place.

The Roles Tour event was shortened to 30 holes at Imperial Lakes Golf Course due to inclement weather.

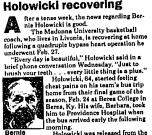
weather.

Mark Slawter of North Carolina State shot 68 in
the final mund and was one stroke better than Mark Stawter of North Calonia State than the final round and was one stroke better than Buha overall at 138. Columbus College was the team winner.

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The tour and the Rolex collegistic rankings are administered by the College Golf Foundation, a non-profit organization founded by Rolex Watch U.S.A. and dedicated to the growth and promotion of collegiate golf.

#### Holowicki recovering



the bus arrived early the following morning.

Holowicki was released from the Holowicki Hospital Monday. "Right now, he's just taking life easy." Barbara Holowicki said.
"He's on his feet and walking a bit."
Said Bernie: "I'm starting to walk, starting to recuperate. I feel like I was hit by a train.
"I'll tell you, you sure do appreciate things differently. There have been so many calls, and cards and flowers from so man," I'll tell you what, that's so important."
Before taking over Madonna's team this season, Holowicki coached at Redford Catholic Central for 22 years. He guided Madonna to an NAIA playoff berth and an 8-22 record in his first season.

#### Finals at Total Soccer

he North American Indoor Soccer Champtonships will take place March 23-24 at three of four Total Soccer facilities in the metro area, including the Fermington Hills loca-

tion.
Round-robin games will be played Saturday,
March 23, from 6 a.m. to 1 a.m. Playoff games a
slated for Sunday, March 24, from 6 a.m. to 10

p.m.
The age groups involved will be under-6, 9, 11, 12 and 14 boys. Teams will come from 15 states and Canada.
The Total Soccer in Farmington Hills is located at 23996 Freeway Park, off Ten Mile Road near Grand River, behind the Holiday Inn.
All championship games will be played at the Fraser site, 3400 Utics Rd., on Sunday evening. For more information call (810) 539-9942.

#### Windsor Classic Games

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be 16th Annual Windsor Classic Indoor
Games for athletes who are physically challenged will be March 22-24.

The event is open to athletes from across North
America as well as Europe, Asia and South America. The games are co-sponored by the Windsor
and Datroit Recreation Departments.

Eight hundred athletes will compete in track,
field, alsiom, sied bockey, boccia, powerlifting,
swimming and tennis. Many of the athletes will
also represent their countries at the Paralympics
this aummer in Atlanta.
The competition is divided into four classifications for adults and juniors: cerebral pelay, whoch
half, blind and amputes. In each class, there are
divisions based on degree of physical shillty.
The registration fee for one event is \$25, with a
fee of \$5 per additional event up to a maximum of
five events.

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To register contact Celia Bouthward at 2450
McDougall Street, Windsor, Ontario, NSK-3N6.
For information call the Windsor (519-255-270)
or Detroit (313-87]-8077) presention departments

#### Spring hitting camp

he Spott Academy, 22515 Healij in Novi, will have a spring break baseball/softball bitting camp, directed by Henry Ford Community Collega baseball assistant coach Lee Bjerte from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday, April 8-10, 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, April 8-10 p.m. directed by Henry Ford Community Collega baseball assistant coach Thursday, April 8-10 p.m. Monday through Thursday 10 p.m. Monday through 10 p.m. Monday 10

registrants).

The camp features T-shirt, whifile ball, home run derby, films, pitching and hitting drills, beas running, anack ber, video games and batting cages running, snack ber, video games and b (all speeds). For information cell (810) 880-0800.

### Marlins fall short in finals

Farmington Hills Mercy reached the Class A regional volleyball finals at Ferndale before losing to Catholic League foe Livonia Ladywood in three games.

BY BRAD EMONS



Liventa Ladywood is headed to the state Class A volley-ball finals again—coach Tom Tetera' seventh trip to Kalamaton with the Blazers in 10 years.

But during Saturday's regional tournament at Ferndale, the Blazers were left wondering at times whether their season would come to an abrupt end.

u. Ladywood pulled off a Houdini-like comeback in the semifinals against Plymouth Salem, reeling off 12 unanswered points to close out the third and declaive game in a 15-9, 15-

17, 15-12 triumph.

In the championship final, Ledywood met an ali-to-familiar opponent, Catholic League rival Farmington Hills Mercy. And the Mariins, who had not taken a game off their Central Division foo in two years, put up a fight before falling 15-13, 13-15, 15-7.

trail Division foe in two years, put up a fight before falling 16-13, 13-18, 15"T've seen some comebacks like that, but never in a (state) playoff game," Teeters said of the Salem match. "I'd say it was the best and worst we've ever played. We were running a different lineup, moving nur middle man up and back. And we used some different defenses. We kept ewitching things up."
Ladywood takes its 46-8 mark against nemesis Temperance Bedford in a 5:30 pm. quarterfinal match, Friday at Portago Central. Bedford, rated No. 3 in Class A, has beaten No. 5 Ladywood twice this assaon.
Meanwhile, it was Mercy's fourth straight trip to the regional final. But the Martins, who finished the season 36-16 overall, have come up short each time out.

The championship match, however, was aimost anticlimatic to the emotionally-charged semifinal between Salem and the Blazers.

The Rocks were riding the sensational all-around play of 6-foot senior Sheliye Sills, who finished with 16 kills and four blocks.

After losing the first game, Salem rallied to take the second as sophomore Jenny Trott come off the bench to give her team a lift with two kills, two aces and a block.

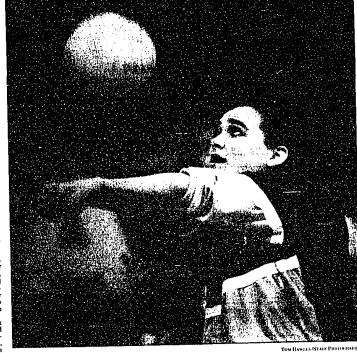
Salem then started fast in the third game, building a 12-3 advantage. Ladywood, meanwhile, was dazed, but the Blazers got a break when the Rocks missed a serve.

With the side-out, Ladywood senior Stacey Judd (10 kills) got on a roll from the service line. She reeled of eight straight points, inclt ding four aces to pull the Blazers to vithin one, 12-11.

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as Jessics Geracz served out the
match. Senior Erin LeSage got the
game-winning kill.



Steady passer: Sheyanne Mooter of Farmington Hills Mercy bumps the ball during Saturday's Class A regional semifinal match against Ferndale. The Marlins beat the host Eagles before losing to Ladywood.

Ladywood also received a huge lift from 6-1 sophomore Sarsh Poglits, a lefty who finished with match with 12 kills.

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"The last three weeks she's been starting and we've altered our defense to get her more hits," Tecters said. "We tried to get her in a lot of single block situations because Salom is one of the best blocking teams we face. She just hit great."

The Blazers also received steady digging from Shannon Swish, pinpoint passing from setter Nicole Vondracek and timely hitting from LeSage (seven kills). LeSage and Hermann (five kills). LeSage and Herman also contributed three blocks applece.

But the performance of Sills on the other side of the net was herole, even in defeat.

"Whenever she touched the ball, good things would happen," Tecters said. "She had the magic touch... passing, serving, you name it. She just played great."

While Ladywood struggled with its serving the first two games, the Rocks fell spart in the third because of serve reception and passing.

"The kids were able to pick up their left-side attacking better after the first game," Selem caceh Brian Gilles said. "And our serve reception was better until it was 12-3 (in the third). There's really not much 1 can say other than that we had an swesome season. And Bheliye played like a Division I player. She played awesome and stepped up big-lime."

Mercy, behind seven kills each from Gail Agecinski and Beth Janes, along with six from Jamesee Emerson, disponed of host Ferndale in the other semilinal, 15-6, 15-7.

In opening game of the final, Mercy went down quickly, but regrouped in the second, erasing a 12-9 deficit to even up the match. Heidl Wahl came up with a big dig when it was 13-all.

"This is the first time they've taken a game off us in awhile," Tecters said.

were connecting on their passes and making good hits."

But the Marlins couldn't sustain their momentum in the final gome as Vondracek served four aces and Judd led with nine kills, giving her 28 on the day.

"This is something to build on for next year," said Mercy coach Peggy Spengler, who loses four scalots. "Anytime you come out of a first game as slow as we did, and able to put it back together shows the char-acter of my team.

"We were able to get to a higher level at the end of the year. We were running more plays and quick-at-tacks.

"But Ladywood is a good team and I wish them well the rest of the way."

Mercy's outgoing seniors include Emerson, who is considering offers from Middle Tennessee State and Al-abams, along with Janes, Wahl and setter Sheyanne Mooter.

## Shamrocks top Trojans in district

By Breve Kowalski
Brvir Warrya
Detroit Catholic Central senior Chris Misiak
was a state qualifier in golf, but his reputation as
an iron Man lant limited to that sport.
Misiak's endurance on the baskethall court
makes it ough for coach Rick Coratti to consider
resting him.
The point guerd, who played the entire way in
Class A district wins over Southfield and Livonia
Stevenson, finally took a seat Friday in the closing seconds of a 68-61 finals victory over visiting
Detroit Henry Ford.
CC, 19-4 overall and the winner of six straight
district champlonables, will play stata-ranked
Detroit Cooley in a regional semifinal 6 pm.
Tuesday at Dearborn High School.
Mislak played another steady floor game and
finished with 17 points on 6-of-16 shooting.
Even when ha's on the benth, Coratti has a
hard time keeping him there.
"He and (sonlor guard Justin) Hoener are a
pain to sit next to; they siaways want in," Coratti
laughed. "Chris has really turned into a good
lasder, not only on the floor."
Junior guard Marc McDonaid made two triples
and led the Shamrocks with 20 points on 6-of-19
shooting. Hoener had 14 (4-of-11 from the floor)
and senior center Effe Gibbo 10 (6-of-19).
The Shamrocks made only 25 of 74 shots but
snicyed a 46-31 rebounding edvantage despits

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the presence of Ford's 6-foot-11 senior center Ken Johnson. Gilbo led the Shamrocks with 16 rebounds and 6-8 sophomore center Chris Young had nine rebounds off the bench.

Hoener grabbed nine, while reserve senior guard Chris Kennedy hauled in four and also scored on a nice in-bounds pass from Gilbo that answered a run by Ford in the fourth quarter.

Mislak made three consecutive three-point shots in the second quarter as the Shamrocks turned a 22-16 lead into a 40-28 halftlime advantage.

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Ford finished 6-15.
"I thought we'll be able to shut them down from the outside a little earlier, but they hit those threes and that can break your back," Ford coather that can break your back, "Ford coather william Carter said. "Mislak's a heady tiltle player."

player."
Milisk laughed when it was auggested his walking on the golf course in the fall gets him in shape for the beakethall season. "Coming out (during games) doesn't even cross my mind," he said. "At the beginning of games, I get tired, but I get my accord wind. Usually, I'm not tired in the second haid."

Johnson, limited to four first-half points, scored 12 in the second half to help keep it close. Johnson finished 8-6-12 on an impressive array of hooks, baseline jumpers and chunk. Derrick Jefferson led the Trajens with 17 and junior Job Jones had 13 before leaving the game with 3:10 left in the third quarter with an ankle indury.

injury.
CC led 52-41 after three quarters. A 0-4 run by
the Trojans cut the deficit to six with 38 seconds

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"He's a player and he came to play today,"
Carter said. "I told our players (at hailtime) to
look for him more."
Misiak, who lit up the Cooley quards in a summer-league game, thinks the Shamrocks have a
chance Tuesday.

"When they (CC's frontlins players) rebound, Mark and I are shooting well and Justin is pene-traing, we're hard to best," Misiak said, "If we play our game, I know we can beat them."