

# Baseball

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son, Mike Fisher and Adam Smerecki getting two each. Fisher and Smerecki also had two RBI apiece and Lawson one.

The Warriors scored five runs in the third to take a 7-3 lead, but the Hawks rallied with four in the fourth to tie the score.

Cody Thompson pitched 5 2/3 innings, allowing seven runs on 11 hits and three walks, to get the victory.

The loss dropped Harrison to 4-3 in the Western Division and 12-6 overall.

"It was a real tough loss," Harrison coach John Herrington said. "There's a possibility 7-3 will win it, but it puts us in a real bind."

The win improved the Warriors to 5-2 in the division.

Farmington also lost a second time to host Livonia Stevenson, which scored a run in the bottom of the seventh to win, 3-2.

With two outs, Stevenson's Tony Dattilio singled, stole second and scored on Todd Smith's single to right field.

The Falcons took a 2-1 lead in the third, scoring on a passed ball and Jake Siakosky's double.

Kevin Raycraft and Kevin Yuhasz also had RBI singles for the Spartans, 3-3 in the Lakes Division and 5-6 overall.

Tony Harvey pitched six innings for Farmington, striking out seven and walking four, but reliever Pat Hickey took the loss.

Likewise, Kevin Marvin start-

ed and went six innings for Stevenson, but Scott Craver worked the seventh and got the win.

On Tuesday, the Falcons lost a doubleheader to visiting Walled Lake Central and dropped to 4-4 in the division, 9-4 in the league and 10-7 overall.

The Vikings scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to win the first game 4-3 and give Farmington pitcher Nick Letra (6-1) his first loss. Central won the nightcap 8-6.

**CLARENCEVILLE 3-4, LUTHERAN EAST 3-4:** Scott Watch (3-1) spaced four hits and struck out eight in pitching the Trojans to the first game win. The second was called by darkness after five innings.

Bryan Decker struck a solo home run in the first while Paul Inzaro had an RBI hit as both teams did all their scoring in the opening inning. Clarenceville had five hits.

Decker went 3-for-3 in the second game, getting a pair of doubles and driving in two runs, while Bob Wysz went in two runs in a 2-for-3 game.

Rob Ashton (1-3) took the second game loss despite allowing just five hits in four innings.

# O'Connor wins for CC

Detroit Catholic Central failed to make the Catholic League baseball playoffs for the second straight year, but the Shamrocks gained a measure of satisfaction Monday against Warren DeLaSalle.

The Shamrocks split with the visiting Pilots, winning the first game 9-3 before losing the nightcap 3-1.

Senior right-hander James O'Connor continued to get the job done on this mound, scattering five hits with four walks and three strikeouts in raising his record to 5-2. He also went 3-for-3 at the plate with two RBI.

"James has done the job," CC coach John Salter said. "He isn't overpowering, but he gets the ball over and pitches out of trouble. He's pitching with more confidence."

O'Connor was one of two complete-game performances, the other coming from Chris Karney.

The Shamrocks, who improved to 12-10 overall and 6-10 in the

Central Division, didn't commit an error in the two games.

Karney, leading the team with a .430 average, went 2-for-4 with a run scored. Ryan McGrath contributed a two-run, pinch-hit single in the sixth inning.

DeLaSalle pitcher Mike Sokol kept the Shamrocks off the scoreboard for six innings in Game 2 before catcher Dave Viane hit a solo home run in the seventh.

The Shamrocks left 11 runners on base against Sokol, who scattered seven hits with four walks and eight strikeouts.

Karney suffered the loss, allowing nine hits with five walks and 10 strikeouts. He was 2-for-3 at the plate.

Salter is hoping to have sophomore left-hander Kevin Thomas, who appeared to be the ace prior to the season, join the rotation before the end of the season.

Thomas has played center field on a full-time basis but hasn't been cleared to pitch because of tendinitis.

# Mercy scares Foley

Farmington Hills Mercy took defending Catholic League champion and host Madison Heights Bishop Foley to the limit Monday before losing 2-1 in the first round of the girls soccer playoffs.

Following 30 minutes of regulation play and two 15-minute overtimes, the game was decided in a shootout.

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"We've been on the other side of that coin in the past," Mercy coach Deepak Shivraman said.

"Tonight was really heart wrenching, because we played really well in every aspect of the game."

The Marlies (7-6-1) might have won the game in regulation time but missed a penalty kick.

Mercy scored first when Jenna Kluska converted a pass from Mary Duggan midway in the

first half. The Ventures tied the score 10 minutes later.

"We gave it all we had, and I told the girls they should feel very proud because they are the defending champs and we took them to a shootout," Shivraman said.

The Marlies are idle until Monday when they play at Farmington Harrison in a district tournament game.

**FARMINGTON 2, W. BLOOMFIELD 1:** Angela DeBenedictis' second-half goal enabled the Falcons to tie the host Lakers on Saturday. Amanda Porter had an assist on the play.

West Bloomfield led 1-0 at halftime. Farmington keeper Kate Adams made 11 saves while the Falcons had 18 shots at the opposing goal.

"We were working the ball up field with nice passing patterns, and (DeBenedictis) was open for the shot," Farmington coach Bob Neff said. "A couple of breakaways took place but, basically, a lot of the game was played in the middle of the field."

The Falcons play North Farmington in a district tournament game Monday.

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