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Festival road race

The Third Annual Farmington Founders Festival Road Race is set for 9 a.m. Saturday, July 13. The four-mile race begins and ends at City Park on Shawnesee Street. Runners are asked to be there by 8 a.m.

The race is divided into three divisions: youth (17 and under), open (18-39) and masters (40 and over) for men and women.

The fee is \$10; on race day, it's \$12. To enter call the Recreation Services Office at 473-9570.

"This is a good family race," spokesperson Chip Bridges said. "It's not too long and not too short."

"It's a gradual uphill and a gradual downhill the second half. People who have run it really like the course."

In addition to age-group awards, a number of prizes will be raffled at the end of the race.

The race is sponsored by the Farmington High School cross country and track teams, the Farmington YMCA and Recreation Services.

Junior golf school

El Dorado Country Club in Walled Lake is offering a junior golf school for young golfers July 22-26.

The school curriculum will cover golf swing, chipping, putting, etiquette, rules and on-course instruction.

Rick Stallings, former touring professional, will be the instructor. The school will meet daily from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

The cost is \$50. A \$15 non-refundable deposit is due with registration. The balance is due on the first day of school. The entry deadline is Saturday, July 20.

Checks should be made payable to Rick Stallings and mailed to El Dorado Country Club, Junior Golf School, 2869 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake, MI 48390.

For information call El Dorado Country Club at (810) 624-1736. Parents who would like to volunteer to help are asked to call and ask for Stallings.

Senior World Series

The Canton Softball Center will host 20 of the National Association of Senior Citizen Softball World Series Sept. 13-22.

Taking part in the event will be 125 teams and more than 5,000 softball players, all 60 years old or older.

Fun? Sure, it is. But don't think that's what this is all about. As Ken Maas, president of NASCS, explained: "This generation of seniors is more active than any before, and events like these give them the opportunity to get out and compete."

And that's something they relish? "The NASCS events are loaded with former major and minor league baseball players, including former stars like Bert Campaneris and Al Moran," Maas said. "But all of our players play hard and want to win, so the level of competition is no joke."

This is the second time the NASCS World Series has visited CSC. The first was 1992. Since the inaugural World Series in 1989, team participation has nearly doubled.

Good sports are winners

The Michigan High School Athletic Association has announced the recipients of the Good Sports Are Winners awards for the spring season.

In baseball, Redford Thurston earned both a district and regional award Class B. North Farmington, Detroit Catholic Central and Livonia Franklin were Class A district recipients and in Class C, Livonia Clarenceville was lauded with a district honor.

In softball, Farmington Hills Mercy, Garden City and Plymouth Canton earned the Good Sports Are Winners district awards.

In soccer, Plymouth Canton was a Class A district recipient.

The award is sponsored by True Value Hardware Stores of Michigan. The schools named as state-wide Good Sports Are Winners in each sport will receive a banner and a \$1,000 donation.

DeWitt won the state-wide Good Sports Are Winners award in baseball, Hartland was the state-wide winner in softball and Troy the state-wide winner in girls soccer.

DeWitt was the Class B state runner-up in baseball, Hartland was the Class A champion in softball and Troy was runnerup in girls soccer in Class A.

U-Detroit golf outing

The Detroit Titans annual golf outing will be Monday, Aug. 26, at Fox Hills Golf Club in Plymouth.

The event, which benefits the University of Detroit Mercy athletic department, starts with a continental breakfast at 7:30 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. and a buffet lunch.

There will be prizes for first place, closest to the pin and longest drive, as well as door prizes and gifts for all participants.

The cost is \$75 per person. For information, call the athletic department at (313) 993-1700.

Readers can send sports information to Dan O'Meara by fax at (313) 591-7279.



Shooting star: Meg Mallon and her nephew, Paul Mallon, follow the flight of her par-3 tee shot Monday at Edgewood Country Club. She used travel time on the LPGA Tour to support her alma mater, Mercy High School.

Mallon's call gives Mercy added cause to be proud

Mercy High alumna and pro golfer Meg Mallon had a tough call to make last week but a clear conscience afterward.

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By her own good deed, Meg Mallon gave Mercy High School cause to honor its most famous alumna beyond being just a great golfer Monday.

It was coincidental but appropriate her next stop after being disqualified from the Jamie Farr Classic in Toledo was the Sixth Annual Meg Mallon Golf Outing to benefit her alma mater.

Mallon was the first-round leader Friday but informed tour officials of her own rules violation Saturday, knowing she would not be allowed to continue playing.

Her honesty and sportsmanship served as an example of the virtues and character the Catholic girls school espouse.

For a day, Mallon was able to be the spotlight of the Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour and retreat to the familiar surroundings of Edgewood Country Club in Walled Lake but not the swirl of attention.

"With the strange thing that happened, everybody keeps asking about it," Mallon said. "They say they're sorry but proud of me for turning myself in."

Mallon rolled a putt for birdsie on the par-5 17th hole to the lip of the cup. Players are allowed time to walk to the ball plus 10 seconds before hitting it again.

The ball eventually fell into the hole on its own, but a TV replay Saturday revealed Mallon had



Honored alumnae: Mary Margaret Boaco (right) and Joan M. Colladay joined Meg Mallon in the Mercy Hall of Fame Monday evening.

That should have resulted in a penalty stroke and a bad score. Mallon was disqualified for improperly signing a scorecard because she had signed a "M."

After discussing the matter with

Bandits claim league baseball championship

The South Farmington Bandits compiled a 13-3 record to win the championship of the Livonia F-Major Baseball League (13-14 age group).

In the title-clinching game, Anthony Domol pitched a three-hitter, striking out 12 and walking two in a 9-1 victory over the Livonia Falcons.

For the season, the Bandits have five players with batting averages over .400. Nathan Estabrook leads the team with a .571 average. The other 400-plus hitters are Zack Lesaway, Nick Hippler, Ed Cleland and John Lis.

Matt Pollettiere leads the team in home runs. Matt Whitner, Mike Kraschko and Domol have handled the pitching duties. Other members of the team are Steve Guerriero, John Waisanen

and Zack Green.

The Bandits, who will participate in tournaments through July, are managed by Steve Pelletier. The coaches are Steve Guerriero and Dan Whitner.

Blues celebrate 4th of July

The South Farmington Blues won the championship of the North Farmington-West Bloomfield Fourth of July Tournament last weekend.

With strong pitching by Tim Kalczynski and Ardy Brown, the 10-year-old Little Caesars Farmington team beat the NFWB Cobras in the championship game, 8-3.

After losing its first game 2-1 to the Cobras,

Barons achieve 7-3 win

Marty Wilk turned in another solid pitching performance Monday for the South Farmington Barons, who won 7-3 over the host Kensington Valley Lakers at Concordia College.

The Redford Catholic Central graduate went 6 1/3 innings to improve his pitching record to 3-0 in the Little Caesars Connie Mack Baseball Federation.

Wilk gave up 11 hits but walked just two and hit one batter while striking out three. Chris Karney came on to get the final two outs.

"Marty pitched an outstanding game in being competitive," Barons coach Dick Miller said, adding Wilk got the call at the last minute.

"The designated starter (Dave Viane) made a diving catch Sunday and had a bruised shoulder. Marty took the ball with five minutes notice and shut down a very good hitting team."

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"He kept runners off base in front of people like (Drew) Henson. He gave up hits but not where they could hurt him. He spread it around, and a lot came from the bottom of the order."

The Barons scored three times in the third inning to take a 4-2 lead and broke open a close game with a three-run sixth to make the score 7-2.

Nick Latra (Farmington) had 4 double, a triple and two RBI for South Farmington. Garrett Smith (Country Day) started two rallies with leadoff hits, scored two runs and had one RBI.

Todd Miller (Farmington Hills/Brother Rice) broke a 2-2 tie with a two-run single, and he drove in another run later with a suicide squeeze.

Kensington Valley pitcher Tom Willerer (Morhville) went the distance, allowing six hits, striking out nine and walking two.

On Sunday, the Barons, 6-2 in the league and 16-3 overall, lost 2-0 to Macomb Steele's in the final of the Firecracker Tournament in Warren.

Both teams had two hits apiece. The Barons had runs at second and third with one out in the first inning but never threatened to score after that.

Shawn Wilson (Brother Rice) pitched four innings for the Barons and allowed two unearned runs. Steele's scored on a dropped fly ball in the outfield and an infield error. Wilk worked the last two innings.

"That was uncharacteristic of us, but those things happen," said Miller of the misplays in the field.

Grosse Pointe's Kevin Schroeder pitched a complete game that included 12 strikeouts for the winners. Catcher Joe Kalczynski (Farmington/Brother Rice) is a member of the Steele's team.

South Farmington played a 1 1/2-hour game with the Ann Arbor Braves prior to the championship game Sunday, winning 13-10 in seven innings.

The Barons started with consecutive home runs by Karney, Mike Daguanno and Smith in the first inning but still trailed 8-7 after two.

South Farmington scored three runs in the seventh to win the game. Along the way, Karney hit a second homer, and Viane made it five homers for the Barons, who outthrew the Braves 20-16.

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