

## THE WEEK AHEAD

## BASEBALL

**Monday, May 18**  
N. Farmington at Farmington, 4 p.m.  
Farm. Harrison vs. W.L. Central,  
4 p.m. at Walled Lake Western.  
Redford CC at G.P. South, 4 p.m.  
Luth. North at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, May 19**  
Country Day at Redford CC, 4 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 20  
Clarenceville at Uggitt, 4:30 p.m.  
(Western Lakes championship)  
Farm. Harrison at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.  
Friday, May 22  
Farmington at Novi, 4 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Luth. NW, 4:30 p.m.

**Saturday, May 23**  
N. Farmington at Madonna Tourney,  
Farm. Harrison at Madonna Tourney.

## SOFTBALL

**Monday, May 18**  
Farmington at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.  
Liv. Churchill at Farm. Harrison, 4 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Luth. North, 4:30 p.m.  
(Catholic League championship)  
Farm. Mercy vs. W.L. Regis, 4:30 p.m.  
7:30 p.m. at King Boring Field, Don.

**Tuesday, May 19**  
Clarkston at N. Farmington, 4 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 20  
Uggitt at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 21**  
Divine Child at Farm. Mercy, 4 p.m.

**Friday, May 22**  
Luth. NW at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.

**Saturday, May 23**  
Farm. Harrison at Novi Tourney.

## BOYS TRACK

**Tuesday, May 19**  
CHSL A-B meet at Ledywood, 2:30 p.m.  
Metro Meet at Canton (CEP), 3 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 20**  
CHSL C-D meet at Ledywood, 2:30 p.m.  
Metro Meet at Luth. East, 3:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 21**  
Oakland County pole vault,  
4 p.m. at Waterford Meet.

**Friday, May 22**  
Oakland County, 3:30 p.m. at Hazel Park.

## GIRLS TRACK

**Tuesday, May 19**  
CHSL A-B meet at Ledywood, 2:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 20**  
CHSL C-D meet at Ledywood, 2:30 p.m.  
Metro Meet at Farmington, 3 p.m.

**Thursday, May 21**  
Oakland County pole vault,  
4 p.m. at Waterford Meet.

**Friday, May 22**  
Oakland County, 3:30 p.m. at Hazel Park.

## GIRLS GOLF

**Tuesday, May 19**  
Western Lakes tournament,  
9 a.m. at Hudson Mills in Dexter.

## GIRLS SOCCER

**DISTRICT TOURNAMENT DRAWS**

**DIVISION I**  
GARDEN CITY (Host)  
Monday, May 18: (A) Garden City at  
(B) Livonia Churchill, 5:30 p.m.; (C) Livonia  
Franklin at (D) Livonia Stevenson, 7

## p.m.

Wednesday, May 20: A-B winner at  
Wayne Memorial, 4 p.m.; Westland John  
Glenn at C-D winner, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 22: Championship final, 4  
p.m. at Garden City Junior High School.  
(Winner advances to the regional semi-  
finals at Southgate Anderson vs. Temper-  
ance Bedford district champion.)

## NORTHVILLE (Host)

Monday, May 18: (A) Novi at (D)  
Northville, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 20: Plymouth Canton  
vs. Plymouth Salem, 8 p.m. at Centennial  
Educational Park; A-B winner vs. South  
Lyon, site and time to be determined.

## Friday, May 22: Championship final, 7

p.m. at Northville. (Winner advances to  
the regional semifinals at Southgate  
Anderson vs. Woodward district cham-  
pion.)

## ROYAL OAK KIMBALL (Host)

Monday, May 18: (A) Farmington Hills  
Mersey at (D) Birmingham Seaholm, 7  
p.m.; (C) Southfield Lathrup at (B) Royal  
Oak Kimball, 7 p.m.

## Wednesday, May 20: A-B winner at

Troy Athens, 7 p.m.; Troy at C-D winner, 7  
p.m.

## Friday, May 22: Championship final, 5:30

p.m. at Kimball. (Winner advances to  
the regional semifinals at Fort Huron  
Northgate vs. Uxion Eisenhower district  
champion.)

## DIVISION II

**LIVONIA LADYWOOD (Host)**  
Monday, May 18: (A) Redford Union at  
(B) Dearborn, 5:30 p.m.; (C) Livonia  
Ladywood at (D) Dearborn Heights Crest-  
wood, 7 p.m.

## Wednesday, May 20: A-B winner at

Dearborn East, 5:30 p.m.; Dearborn  
Divine Child at C-D winner, time to be  
determined.

## Friday, May 22: Championship final, 5:30

p.m. at Ladywood. (Winner advances  
to the regional semifinals at Tiplant Lincoln  
vs. Tecumseh district champion.)

## BIRMINGHAM GROVES (Host)

Monday, May 18: (A) Redford Union at  
(B) Farmington Hills Harrison, 5:30 p.m.;  
(C) Birmingham Marian at (D) North Farm-  
ington, 5:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, May 20: A-B winner vs.

Farmington, 5:30 p.m. (Site to be  
announced); Birmingham Groves at C-D  
winner, 5:30 p.m.

## Friday, May 22: Championship final, 7

p.m. at Groves. (Winner advances to the  
regional semifinals at Tiplant Lincoln vs.  
Metro Jefferson district champion.)

## DIVISION III

**RIVERVIEW GABRIEL RICHARD (Host)**  
Tuesday, May 19: (A) Allen Park Gabri-  
el at (B) Monroe St. Mary's, 5 p.m.; (C)  
Southgate Aquinas at (D) Riverview  
Gabriel Richard, 4:30 p.m.; (E) Dearborn  
Heights Fairlane Christian at (F) Grosse  
Ile, 4 p.m.; (G) River Rouge at (H) Luther-  
an High Westland, 4:30 p.m.

## Thursday, May 21: C-D winner at A-B

winner, time to be determined; G-H winner  
at E-F winner, time to be determined.

## Saturday, May 23: Championship final, 11

a.m. (Winner advances to the regional  
semifinals at Beverly Hills-Detroit Country  
Day vs. Clawson district champion.)

## Spisz tosses no-hitter for North

Senior Mickey Spisz pitched a no-hitter as host North Farmington extended its school-record victory total to 19 games Friday. Spisz fanned six Plymouth Salem batters and walked three as the Raiders dominated the Redox route to a 9-0 victory.

North is 19-6 overall, bettering the record of 17 wins by the 1991 team.

"It's a nice thing for the girls," North coach Dave Brubaker said. "The senior class has worked hard over four years, and it's nice for them to do that."

"They've put in a lot of time. They've come to the point where they realize this is it, and they need to be ready to go every game."

Though the Raiders have to play a makeup game Monday with Farmington, they finish second (7-2) in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association behind Walled Lake Central.

"We gave it a good run; second place is pretty nice, and now we're focusing on the district tournament," Brubaker said. "We're not looking past Farmington or Clarkston. We have to play good ball and go into the district on a high note."

Buoyed by their success, the Raiders hope to have a long post-season tournament run.

"Mickey said: 'The heck with 18 (wins); we're going to win 20-some.' They're going after the state championship," Brubaker said. "I'd like to think that (is possible). As long as the girls are thinking that way, anything can happen."

**N. FARMINGTON 9, SALEM 0:** The Raiders had 14 hits in support of Spisz (19-6) and were led by a pair of 3-for-4 performances by Diana Gustkey and Lynn Livernois.

Katie Devereux and Samantha McComb were 2-for-3 and Chrissy King 2-for-2. Gustkey, Livernois, Devereux and King had one RBI apiece, and Gustkey and McComb scored two runs each.

North set the record for most wins in a season Thursday when it defeated visiting Westland John Glenn in a Lakes Division game, 11-1.

The Raiders outlit the Rockets, 14-4. Spisz helped her pitching cause by going 4-for-4 and scoring two runs.

Livernois had three RBI with a two-run

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single and a sacrifice fly. Devereux and McComb had a double and two RBI each.

Duquette, Devereux and junior Melanie Stein, who made her first varsity start, had two hits apiece. Stein and Lori Schehr knocked in one run each, and Gustkey scored three runs.

Samantha Crews was 2-for-3 with an RBI double for Glenn. Nikki Reisinger was the losing pitcher.

Livonia Churchill ended North's nine-game winning streak Wednesday in a WLLA crossover contest, 4-3.

The Chargers scored all their runs in the top of the fifth inning. The Raiders rallied with two runs in the bottom of the seventh and had the tying run at second base when the game ended.

Livernois was 2-for-4 with an RBI; Devereux drove in the third run with a groundout.

Churchill's Adrienne Doyle struck out 11 batters. Spisz also threw a complete game. Both pitchers walked one.

Christine Fones had three RBI with a bases-loaded double for the Chargers. Sarah Stiles added an RBI single.

"I thought we had the better team," Brubaker said, adding it was hard for his players to hit Doyle's pitches because of her slow delivery.

"We were geared up to hit somebody fast, and she threw off-speed all night and sorta befuddled my girls."

**HARRISON 7, FRANKLIN 2:** Junior pitcher Ali Ault helped her cause by going 3-for-3 at the plate with one RBI Friday. She scattered six hits, struck out five and didn't walk anybody.

The Hawks, who have a makeup game Monday with Livonia Churchill, will finish second in the WLLA Western Division as a result of the win. Harrison is 7-2 in the division and 18-6 overall.

Harrison had 12 hits off Franklin pitcher Lori Jendruski, including two apiece by Amy Robie and Leslie Schrock.

During a four-run third inning, the Hawks had a run in and the bases loaded with Becky Vosler at bat. She hit a sacrifice fly and a wild throw on the cut-off play allowed all three runners to score.

Vogler, who plays right field, also threw out a runner at first base for the 12th time in the game.

"We set out goal to win 20 games," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said. "After the win, we said maybe we should raise the ante just a little bit and see what happens."

On Wednesday, Harrison earned a 5-1 victory over Lakes Division-leading Walled Lake Central.

The Hawks spotted their host a 1-0 lead in the first inning on Kelli But's double and an error before scoring three times in the third and twice in the fifth. Harrison tied the score on a single by Megan Wild, consecutive bunts by Jamie Schwartz and Katrina Vitanis and an error.

With two strikes on her, Vosler fouled off three straight pitches before hitting a two-run single.

In the fifth, Vitanis tripled and scored on a bunt by Amy Robie and an error that resulted. Ari Ault singled home Robie.

Ault, who threw out three runners attempting to steal, Wild and Vitanis had two hits each off Central pitcher Kemi Scott, who struck out seven and walked two.

All Ault went the distance for the Hawks, who had an 8-5 edge in hits. Ault fanned five and walked two.

"We did some things early, seeing their all-star closer the first run," Teachman said, "but we came back and battled all the way."

The Hawks learned pitcher Lindsey Emmett, who was hit on the glove hand with a line drive Monday, suffered a broken wrist and required a cast. Kim Spaulding was called up from the JV as her replacement.

"We've done amazingly well with only 10 players on the team," Teachman said, adding the Hawks were decisively beaten by just two teams, West Bloomfield and Farmington Hills Mercy.

"We lost a couple (other games) we shouldn't have. All the others I felt we had some control of the outcome."

It was incorrectly reported in the May 14 Observer that Harrison had lost twice to Plymouth Canton. Actually, the teams split two games with the Hawks winning in early April. Harrison's other division loss was to Livonia Churchill.

**MERCY 3, GABRIEL RICHARD 0:** Farmington Hills Mercy advanced to the championship game of the Catholic League softball tournament Thursday with a 3-0 win over Riverview Gabriel Richard.

The Marlins will play the winner of the Windsor Villanova-Harper Woods Regina semifinal for the league title at 7:30 p.m. Monday at King Boring Field in Dearborn.

Senior Kelly Moug drove in the first two Mercy runs with a first-inning triple and a third-inning single. Moug scored the third run on Lauren Monterey's single in the third inning.

Terri Schroeder struck out 10 batters while pitching a complete game for the Marlins (20-6). She allowed just three hits and two walks.

Merry split a doubleheader with Central Division champion Regina on Tuesday, winning the first game, 4-1, and losing the second, 1-0.

Leah Moeller pitched a four-hitter in the opener, striking out six. Shayla O'Mara hit a two-run double and scored two runs. Monterey chipped in two hits and Erin Cannon one RBI.

Schroeder took the loss in the nightcap, scattering six hits. She walked one and struck out three.

The Saddlebills finished with an 11-1 record in the division; the Marlins were second at 8-4.

**W.L. CENTRAL 18, FARMINGTON 0:** The Vikings are back on top. Following a one-year absence, Central returned to the top of the Lakes Division. The win gives the Vikings a 9-1 record in the division and the division title for the eighth time in nine years.

Central (18-1) will travel to Western Division champion Plymouth Canton (9-1, 22-8) Wednesday for the WLLA championship game. The teams met on April 22 with the Vikings winning 3-2.

Freshman pitcher Kristi Marzalek allowed just one hit Friday, walked none, and fanned three while improving her record to 3-1. She added herself at the plate with two hits and three RBI.

Senior center fielder Kelli Blazek led her eighth home run of the year, a three-run shot in the sixth, and finished with three hits and three RBI. Senior catcher Laura Hunter finished with one hit and drove in four, and senior second baseman Melinda Biggins chipped in two hits and two RBI.

On Thursday, the Vikings turned back visiting Livonia Stevenson, 10-2.

Marzalek picked up the win. She allowed nine hits, fanned two and walked none.

Junior Theresa McDonald paced Central's 10-hit attack with four hits. Senior Kelly Hale had three hits and four RBI.

**CANTON 6, WESTERN 3:** The Warriors managed just four hits Friday as they dropped their Western Division finale.

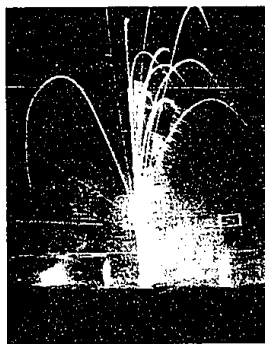
Gretchen Hudson improved her personal record to 13-1 with a six-strike-out, no-walk performance for the Chiefs. Trailing 1-0, Western battled back with three runs in the top of the sixth inning. Canton responded with three of its own in the bottom of the sixth and added two insurance runs in the seventh.

Western ace Angie Balconi injured her knee in the fourth inning while making a play at third base. She left the game but returned in the fifth to finish the game.

"The Lady Warriors don't give up," said Western coach Mark Gratton. "They keep coming until the last out. I'm really proud of these kids. They're really grown up this year."

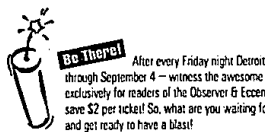
Danya Azopardo, Maria D'Agostino, Billie Cavallaro and Jenny Kosierick all one hit each for the Warriors, who are 15-14 overall and 4-6 in the division.

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