

FARMINGTON FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

Flash wins tourney

The Farmington Flash, an under-13 girls soccer team, won its age-group championship in the 16th Annual Midland Invitational Soccer Tournament May 8-10.

After allowing one goal in the opening game of the preliminary round, the Flash held its opponents scoreless for the remainder of the tournament.

The Flash defeated the Livonia Meteors, the Birmingham Burners and the Tri-City Strikers to earn a spot in the final.

In the championship game, the Flash defeated its league rival, the Brighton Express, by a score of 2-0.

The members of the Flash team are Michele Boothroyd, Ashar Bryant, Becca Campos, Ellen Cappa, Lyndsey Crofoot, Meghan Depp, Deanna DeRoo, Katie Fretz, Michelle Leffingwell, Meghan Lloyd, Lindsay Miglio, Krysta Scheel, Danielle Shepard, Shanna Smith, Emily Taze and Ashlie Wilson.

The Flash is coached by Steve McCaul and Gary Boothroyd. The team manager is George Fretz.

U-M conducts camps

The University of Michigan will host three different sessions of summer baseball camps (ages 9-19) on July 12-16, 19-23 and 26-29.

The camps will be directed by U-M baseball coach Geoff Zahn.

The cost for the first two sessions is \$230 (commuter) and \$385 (overnight — includes meals and housing). The third session cost is \$310 (overnight) and \$170 (commuter). Each camp participant will receive a T-shirt and awards.

For more information, call Evelyn Mulhreed at (313) 647-4579.

Catholic League event

The Catholic League Coaches Association and Hall of Fame golf outing and 70th anniversary party will be Monday, June 8.

The golf outing, at Maple Lane Golf Course (14 Mile and Hoover) has tee times available from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (unlimited play until 3 p.m.). The cost is \$45 and includes greens fees, cart, continental breakfast and lunch.

The party kicks off with cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by induction ceremonies at 7 p.m. A buffet dinner will be served from 8-9:30 p.m. The cost is \$30 per person or \$55 per couple. The full day costs \$65.

Former Redford St. Agatha football coach John Goddard, now at Royal Oak Shrine, will receive the Ed Lauer Person of the Year Award.

The 1998 Hall of Fame inductees are Jim Benoit (Macomb Cardinal Mooney), Orlando Crockett and Steve Swalec (basketball officials), Bernie Wouters (Center Line St. Clement), Their Mukhtar (Warren DeLaSalle), Ed Maloney (Pontiac Notre Dame Prep) and Robin Goddard (Orchard Lake St. Mary).

Athlete of the Year inductees are Dawn Baraszowski, Dearborn Divine Child (Wayne State); Don DeDonitis, Warren DeLaSalle (Eastern Michigan University); Stephanie Stuenkel, Birmingham Mariah (University of Louisville); and Nicole Williams, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes (Northwood University).

For information call (313) 237-5960.

Junior golf tournament

The Farmington Optimist Club and Metrobank will co-sponsor a junior golf tournament on Tuesday, June 16, at Glen Oaks Golf Course.

There will be three age divisions (12-13, 14-15, 16-18) and separate competitions for boys and girls.

The fee is \$25 for 18 holes and includes lunch, golf towel and awards.

This part of a qualifying tournament in which the six winners will advance to a state tournament.

Golfers must pre-register by June 5. Entry forms can be obtained at the Farmington Hills Recreation Office, Glen Oaks Golf Course or by calling either Laurie Kupferer at (248) 477-1844 or Ruth Platt at (248) 478-3027.

School needs coaches

Farmington Hills Mercy needs coaches in the following sports: basketball, tennis, volleyball and pom-pom.

Anyone interested in coaching should call Mercy Athletic Director Nancy Malinowski at (248) 470-2836.

Groves tops Farmington in OT

■ Farmington High's hopes of advancing in the state tournament ended Friday when Birmingham Groves claimed a 1-0, overtime win in a district soccer final.



The way sophomore goalkeeper Dana Wantin was playing for Farmington, it was obviously going to take a well-executed play to beat her Friday night.

Birmingham Groves eventually did just that when junior Norah Cooney broke a scoreless deadlock in the second overtime to give the host Falcons a 1-0 victory in the championship game of a Division II district tournament in girls soccer.

Groves junior Becky Danielewicz made the play possible with her footwork to set up Cooney for the winning goal.

Danielewicz controlled the ball on the endline just left of the Farmington goal, maneuvered it around a defender and centered it to Cooney, who was alone in front and headed the ball into the net.

"I'm not very good at headers, so it was kind of a miracle," Cooney said. "The ball usually bounces over the goal, not in the goal."

The game-winner happened in the 104th minute, with 6:30 to play in the second sudden-death overtime, and ended a game in which Wantin had frustrated Groves with her solid goal-keeping.

"With all the pressure we put on her, I thought we'd get our chance and we finally put one in," Danielewicz said, adding Wantin played a great game. "Cooney was in the right place at the right time. I cut around a player to get the ball out, and she was there to finish it."

The Falcons (14-3-3) advance to the regional tournament at Ypsilanti Lincoln and will play the winner of the Monroe Jefferson district tournament at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Groves had the ball in Farmington's end of the field for much of the game, outshot the visiting Falcons by a 21-3 margin and carried the play to Farmington.

But Farmington defenders Olivia Nellums, Deanna Vacca, Claire Lockhart, Laura Leffingwell and Dana Bobinsky managed to clear the ball and run interference in support of Wantin, who made 14 saves.

"We hit everything but the back of the net," Groves coach Derek Williford said. "I was worried about giving up a counter-attack goal."

"We didn't shoot real smartly, but



District soccer final: Farmington defender Laura Leffingwell (left) tries to clear the ball before Becky Danielewicz can take control for Birmingham Groves in the district championship game.

their keeper played a great game. We were too worried about killing the ball instead of placing it, and we rushed our shots."

With the exception of a few times when Farmington (9-6-2) reversed the field, Groves was quicker to the ball and had everything going its way in the first half.

The play was more even for the first 20 minutes of the second half, but Groves was dominant in the last quarter of regulation time as Sabrina

Borgquist, Julie VanHelden and Danielewicz pressed the attack.

"I felt we should've had a lot of goals, but I've been around this game long enough to know about the colds, wouldas, shouldas," Williford said. "But their goalkeeper had a great game. You can't take anything away from her."

In the first 15-minute overtime, Wantin made saves on close-range shots by Borgquist and VanHelden, who also hit the crossbar another time.

Angela DeDomenico had Farmington's only scoring chance in the overtime.

"It hurts to lose like that when you play someone so close, but they're a very good team," Farmington coach Bob Neff said.

"They gave us trouble in trying to accomplish our breakaways. Our defense and midfield played extremely well, but we had trouble getting the ball through (the midfield). We could

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Raiders ready to make run at state title

North Farmington's boys tennis team hopes to be celebrating another crowning achievement later this week when the 1998 season reaches its high point.

The Raiders will make their second straight appearance in the state finals, and the prospects for bringing home a trophy appear much brighter this year.

The Michigan High School Athletic Association has reorganized its member schools into four divisions with an equal number of teams in each as opposed to four unequal classes.

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What that means is North won't have to contend with the very best Class A teams in the state and will compete against schools its own size in Division II.

"We expect to be very competitive at the state level," North coach Dennis King said. "I think we have some quality players up and down the lineup, and the only time you find out exactly how

good you are is when you're competing at the state level. So we're looking forward to it to see how we actually do."

The realignment doesn't make the Raiders, who were ranked No. 2 in their division, a shoe-in to win a state title, however.

North still faces formidable opposition, especially from top-rated Okemos.

"We're playing against a lot of great teams yet," King said, adding not all the good ones are in Division I. Bloomfield Hills Andover and Cranbrook are

in Division III, for example.

The Raiders earned another visit to the state finals May 28-30 at the Midland Community Tennis Center by winning their first regional championship under King, who has coached the team since 1991.

"The kids are really excited about that," King said. "We've been trying to do this for several years and finally did it."

"Usually, we've been in the same

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Best effort: Farmington Harrison senior Yoko Minouwa tied for third place in the high jump with a personal best jump of 5 feet.

Salem upsets Stevenson in Western Lakes meet

The chances were slim — Plymouth Salem girls track coach Mark Gregor knew that.

His team had not been able to overcome Livonia Stevenson during the season. The Rocks lost to their Western Lakes Activities Association rivals by 18 points in an early-season dual meet at the Class A regional May 15 at Redford Union, it didn't look as if things were getting any better when the Spartans ran away with the title, winning by 34 over second-place Salem.

The question for Gregor, prior to the WLA meet Wednesday at Farmington HS, was obvious: What has to happen to alter that?

"I knew we had a chance if we came to play and if we got some breaks," Gregor said. "And that's what ended up happening."

The Rocks did indeed win, but not by much. They totaled 143 points to Stevenson's 141. Westland John Glenn

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was a distant third, followed by Plymouth Canton, Walled Lake Western, Farmington Harrison, Livonia Churchill, Walled Lake Central, North Farmington, Livonia Franklin, Northville and Farmington.

To say Salem won because Stevenson did not perform up to par would be incorrect. "When I looked at the heat sheets ahead of time, I knew it would be a 10-point meet or less with Salem," said Stevenson coach Paul Holmgren. "I had us scoring 138 points and Salem 129."

"Both teams scored more than projected, so both teams did very well."

As the score indicates, it came down to the final race: the 1,600-meter relay. "I knew if we won (the event) and

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