

# Spartans edge Shamrocks again, 71-67

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STAFF WRITER

It's tough to be hot when you're rusty and cold. Bedford Bishop Borgess chilled — literally — Redford Catholic Central, 71-67, Tuesday night in their Detroit Catholic League season opener.

Both teams had limited practice time since their last games Dec. 30. Borgess had a half-hour of floor work plus some film time in an unheated gym — it's own — on Monday while Catholic Central worked out Saturday and Monday.

So that made for a certain amount of rust Tuesday. What made it worse was that the Borgess gym (there was no school Tuesday) was only at a temperature of about 60 degrees

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by game time. The visiting Shamrocks hit a frosty 29.7 percent on 22-of-74 shooting. The host Spartans also made 22 field goals, but only took 45 shots to do so.

This is the second time the teams met in a week. The Spartans beat the Shamrocks, 75-74, in the second round of the Motor City Roundball Classic on Tuesday, Dec. 29 at U-D Jesuit.

"They were in the same boat as we were," CC coach Rick Coratti said. "They played well. They hit a lot of free throws."

Indeed, Bishop Borgess went to the line 45 times and sank 30 while CC was 18-for-23 in free throws. Curtis Allen of the Spar-

tans protected the margin by making 7-of-12 free throws in the fourth quarter.

"We did a good job down the stretch," Borgess coach Roosevelt Barnes said. "We ran our delay and Curtis Allen and Kendrick Jones both went to the basket and made a couple of key baskets."

Allen's three-point play with 58 seconds left gave the Spartans a 67-62 lead. Jones made his with 1:52 to play to make it 62-58.

Borgess went into its delay clinging to a 55-54 lead with 5:05 to play and more than a minute off the clock before CC started fouling Allen.

Allen wound up with 20 points, center Marcus Young had 18. Jones scored 15 in his first start and Justin McClain scored 10.

Nick Moore led CC with 20 points but it was a quiet 20 as he had a nippy night shooting. So did Dan Jess, whose six points came off two of the many threes he shot.

Matt Loras scored 15 for the Shamrocks, Rob Sparks had 13 and Anthony Tomoy 10.

Bishop Borgess started strong, holding a 20-14 lead after one period, but CC dominated the second period and led, 36-32, at the half.

"We had a chance to pull away in the third quarter," Coratti said, "but we turned the ball over too many times. That's what killed us."

The Shamrocks were up, 45-37, after Moore hit a triple with 4:43 left in the third quarter. But they committed five turnovers and made just one basket the remainder of the quarter as the Spartans hauled themselves into a 45-46 tie.

Missing their first eight shots of the final quarter put the Shamrocks in a 54-48 hole. They came back to forge a 58-58 deadlock with 2:32 left but Kahlil Mims knocked down a shot from inside the free throw line and the Spartans never trailed from there.

Sparks fouled out with two minutes to play "and that hurt us," Coratti said. Borgess scored on every possession after that.

"Allen is showing good leadership," Barnes said. "He's a smart young man. Academically, too. I think he'll make somebody a good point guard in college."

Barnes mixed his defenses effectively, switching between full-court pressure to double-teams to half-court man-to-man.

His Spartans also did a good job of keeping the Shamrocks from exploiting their zones. CC got some effectiveness out of disguising its zone by having its

guards play man-to-man or having the man on top chase the ball-handler.

CC held a 44-41 rebounding edge but was dominant in the second half, although it had problems making even the chippies.

"You've got to score," Coratti said after his team sank to 4-3 overall following its Catholic League opener. Barnes' team is 3-3, with two wins over CC (the first a one-pointer in a holiday tournament).

**N. FARMINGTON 56, LAKELAND 50:** The visiting Raiders to a big lead only and held on Tuesday to defeat Lakeland. North jumped in front 19-4 after one quarter and led 32-18 at halftime. The Raiders were outscored in the second half, however. The Eagles had a 32-24 advantage in the second half, including a 17-12 margin in the third quarter.

"They made a run at us in the fourth quarter, but we were able to hold on," North coach Tom Negoshian said. "Hopefully, we'll get better because of it. The positive is we were able to fight it off and hold on for the win."

Junior center Emir Medunjanin scored a game-high 28 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead the Raiders (4-1). Albert Dellosovic added nine points, Phil Watha eight and Brian Shulman seven. Adrian Bridges had seven rebounds.

Dan Bahr was the only Lakeland player in double figures with 24 points.

The Raiders made seven of 11 free throws, the Eagles six of 16.

## CC's Rodriguez passes 700-win mark

Detroit Catholic Central's wrestling team has a 3-2 record in dual meets, giving coach Mike Rodriguez 701 career wins.

Rodriguez, 65, is 701-207 in 42 years, 31 at CC. His teams have won seven state championships, the last in 1988.

It's been as long since the Shamrocks have won their own wrestling invitational, of which the 34th will be Saturday. Fourteen teams are coming, including state powers Clarkston and Temperance Bedford.

Bedford is the favorite after finishing second at last week's

Goodrich Tournament behind champion Rochester Adams. The Shamrocks were sixth there despite having one champion, heavyweight Casey Rogowski, and a runnerup, 215-pound: Brocc Naysmith. Mitch Hancock (160) and Chris O'Hara (103) were third.

"If God smiles on us, we might challenge for first place," Rodriguez said. "We're better than last year but still have a long ways to go."

Rodriguez has been in coaching so long, he's now coaching his grandchildren: Brocc Naysmith and freshman Brandon Naysmith. His son, Dave, is one of his assistant coaches.

Rodriguez prepped at Ann Arbor High School and was an All-America wrestler at the University of Michigan. He was an alternate for the 1960 U.S. Olympic Team.

**Catholic Central 33, Portage Central 34** — 103 pounds: Chris O'Hara (CC) d. Kyle Greenberg; 203: Curtis Trinkle (PC) p. Tom Buddenberg; 253: 158: Corey Fuller (PC) p. Chris Peterson; 5:55: 125: Ed Landrum (CC) p. Eric Bouck; 249: 130: Kyle Spaetz (PC) won on disqualification; 135: J.D. Melling (PC) p. Jeff Wheeler; 3:43: 140: Mike Hopfinger (PC) d. Jay Abshire; 12-4: 145: Troy Miller (PC) p. Ryan Rogowski; 123: 162: Mitch Hancock (CC) won on pin; 3:15: 160: Ryan Zajdel (CC) p. Chris Kordella; 3:47: 175: Ryan Matheson (CC) d. Randy Slada; 7-4: 180: Andy Conlin (CC) d. Dan Higgs; 7-15: 215: Brocc Naysmith (CC) d. Eric Fisher; 13-5: heavyweight: Casey Rogowski (CC) d. Jon Wilkine; 12-2.

**Rockford 43, Catholic Central 27** — 103: Nate Roemer (R) d. Chris O'Hara; 6-4: 135: Craig Smith (R) p. Tom Buddenberg; 3:43: 158: Joe Swendrowski (R) p. Chris Peterson; 1:13: 125: Joe Alperin (R) p. Ed Landrum; 5:00: 130: Brandon Cook (R) d. Peter Mazzarese; 10-4: 155: Jeff Wheeler (CC) d. Tom Nichols; 6-5: 140: Nathan Van-soest (R) d. Jay Abshire; 9-2: 145: Jeremy Johnson (R) p. Ryan Rogowski; 1:53: 162: Ryan Zajdel (CC) p. Travis Chappell; 5:55: 160: Mitch Hancock (CC) p. Chris Olson; 10-1: 175: Paul Kerekes (R) p. Ryan Matheson; 2-34: 180: Ryan Kerekes (R) d. Andy Conlin; 10-1: 215: Brocc Naysmith (CC) p. Ben Miller; 4-45: 275: Casey Rogowski (CC) p. Sean Czarnopolski; 0-43. CC record: 32.

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DATE: JANUARY 18, 1999

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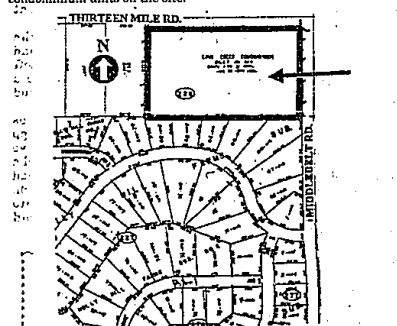
PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall  
31555 Eleven Mile Road  
Farmington Hills, MI 48336

ITEM: Cluster Site Plan 90-10-98

The City of Farmington Hills City Council will give formal consideration to Cluster Site Plan 90-10-98, which requests the approval of the City Council to utilize the Single-Family Housing Cluster Option in an RA-1, Single-Family Residential District, Phase II of Cove Creek Condominiums. The property involved is located on the southwest corner of Thirteen Mile and Middlebelt Roads and is more particularly described as follows:

Sidwell #23-11-225-016 and 029  
A part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, T1N, R9E, City of Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan.

The applicant in this matter is Michael Fellows, Cove Creek Ltd. Partnership, who seeks this approval in order to build 14 attached condominium units on the site.



Any person who is interested in invited to participate in the discussion of the Cluster Site Plan request. The Site Plan and the Zoning Text and Map may be reviewed at the Planning Office, City of Farmington Hills, on any business day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

DALE A. COUNTEGAN, Director  
Planning, Community & Economic Development  
Item: Cluster Site Plan 90-10-98  
Phone: (248) 473-9543  
Publish: January 10, 1999

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KATHRYN A. DORNAN  
City Clerk

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## WEEK AHEAD

### BOYS BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 8

Westside at Agape, 6:30 p.m.  
Claremontville at Ugeet, 7 p.m.  
Luth. Wild at Luth. North, 7 p.m.  
Churchill at Salem, 7 p.m.  
Franklin at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Western at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Wayne at River Rouge, 7 p.m.  
Alter Park at Garden City, 7 p.m.  
Forsyth at Redford Union, 7 p.m.  
Trenton at Thurston, 7 p.m.  
N. Farmington at Canton, 7 p.m.  
Northville at Farmington, 7 p.m.  
Harrison at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.  
Redford CC at U-D Jesuit, 7:30 p.m.  
Borgess at DeLaSalle, 7:30 p.m.

### WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Thursday, Jan. 7

Madonna at Aquinas, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 9

Madonna at Cornerstone, 3 p.m.  
Schoolcraft at St. Clair, 3 p.m.  
Macomb at Oakland CC, 3 p.m.

### ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Jan. 8

Ply. Whalers at Guelph, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 9

Ply. Whalers vs. Belleville  
at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 10

Ply. Whalers vs. Sault Ste. Marie  
at Compuware Arena, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 9

Ply. Whalers vs. Belleville  
at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.

### PEEP HOCKEY

Thursday, Jan. 7

Redford Unified vs. Stevenson  
at Redford Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 8

Franklin vs. Dearborn  
at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.

Churchill vs. Farm. Unified  
at Farm. Hills Arena, 9 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 9

Redford Unified vs. Troy  
at Redford Ice Arena, 1 p.m.

Farm. Unified vs. W.L. Central  
at Lakeland Arena, 5:20 p.m.

Redford CC vs. Cabrio  
at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Jan. 7

St. Agatha at Benedictine, 7 p.m.

A.A. Greenhills at Luth. Wild, 7 p.m.

Hamtramck at PCA, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 8

Agape at Macomb M. Point, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 9

UM-Dearborn Invitational, 8 a.m.

Salem Invitational, 8:30 a.m.

PCA Eagle Tournament, 9 a.m.

Macomb CC Invitational, 9 a.m.

USA Volleyball Invitational  
at Grand Rapids, 9 a.m.

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