

# Hawks anticipate another good year

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Officially, the record was 20-6 for the Farmington Harrison softball team last year, but the Hawks were much closer to perfection than six losses would indicate.

Each defeat occurred in extra innings, including a 2-1 loss in nine innings to Birmingham Seaholm in the district tournament. A regulation contest being defined as seven innings long, coach Mike Teachman puts forth the intriguing notion his team was actually undefeated.

"We never lost a softball game," he said, adding the Hawks were never behind by more than two runs at any time and outscored opponents, 171-58.

"That was not only a testament to pitching but defense, too, because we didn't make a whole lot of errors."

But the Hawks are without their ace pitcher of the last four years, All-Observer star Ali Ault; however, they return a pretty good one in Lindsay Emmett.

The senior outpaw was 6-1 last year with three no-hitters. She also had 58 strikeouts against 19 walks in 48 innings.

Being a lefty "is not as much of an advantage as in baseball," Teachman said, adding Emmett has a career record of 11-1. "It's more her experience that is our advantage."

The objective this year is to refine Emmett's pitching.

"All became more of a finesse pitcher as a senior; Lindsay is more of a power pitcher right now," Teachman said.

"That's going to be part of the seasoning of Lindsay, to show her she doesn't have to throw her hard stuff all the time."

The backup pitcher is sophomore right-hander Kristin Schrock, who won her only varsity appearance last year and tossed three no-hitters on the JV.

In the field, Harrison returns a pair of all-



Katina Vitanis



Kelly Taylor

area players in senior Katina Vitanis (first team) and junior Kelly Taylor (second team). Vitanis is a switch-hitting leadoff batter who led the Hawks in stolen bases (23) and runs scored (37) while hitting .368.

She started her career as a center fielder, played shortstop last season until Ari Ault returned from an injury and moved to second base this year.

"Katina is a tremendous outfielder, but I think she can be pretty valuable for us at second base," Teachman said.

Taylor was in right field but has switched to shortstop. She led the team with 35 hits, was second with 21 RBI and batted .417.

Senior Kim Spaulding returns at third base and will serve as a tri-captain with Emmett and Vitanis. The .350 hitter is going to Wayne State University on a hockey scholarship.

Senior Johnny Wingert, who hit .333, will play first base when Emmett pitches, which will be most of the time. Schrock can play either second base or the outfield, "and she can handle the bat," Teachman said.

The Hawks have a veteran catcher in senior Jenelle Welling, who assumed that role when Ari Ault was hurt last year. She batted .433 with 22 RBI.

## SOFTBALL

"If we can keep her healthy, we're in good shape," Teachman said, adding Welling has a strong arm and also can play the outfield. Taylor can play catcher when needed or in tournaments, and sophomore Jackie Smylie is another catcher.

Junior Gayle Ternes will be the right fielder and will continue a Harrison tradition of strong players at that position, according to Teachman.

"She can really play; she has a gun for an arm," he said. "She can hit the ball hard and is a very good player."

Senior center fielder Sarah Tobie, who was a pinch hitter and runner last year, "could be our sleeper player," Teachman said.

"Late in the season somebody got sick. We put her in center field, and she went after everything. I challenged her, to make that her position."

Any number of players could play left field, including senior Lindsay Martinik, junior Ellery Diem, Schrock and Wingert.

"Our problem is going to be numbers," Teachman said. "We're only carrying 11, maybe 12, players to start. If anybody goes down, that's why we have people playing two positions."

The Hawks start the season Monday with a Western Lakes Activities Association game at Northville.

"I think our side (Western Division) will be a dogfight again," Teachman said. "Everybody has one good pitcher, and the pitching is upgraded on the other side (Lakes)."

"I'd like to think we can challenge for the division championship, but it's going to depend on staying healthy and what kind of weather we get."

"If we have a week when somebody gets sick and we're playing all doubleheaders due to makeups, we could be in trouble."



Standout shortstop: Samantha McComb earned all-area honors last year and returns to lead the Raiders.

# Medunjanin to play for Schoolcraft College

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Schoolcraft college men's basketball coach Carlos Briggs rejiggered in another significant recruit Friday when North Farmington's 6-foot-6 center Emir Medunjanin, a native of Bosnia, signed with the Ocelots.

Medunjanin, a two-time first-team All-Observer performer, averaged 14.7 points and 8.6 rebounds this season.

## BASKETBALL

The Ocelots are coming off a 24-7 season and an Eastern Conference championship in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association. Briggs is 74-20 in three seasons at Schoolcraft.

"I think we signed one of the better players from this area, somebody who will work hard from an academic and basketball

standpoint," Briggs said. "Emir came here four years ago from Bosnia and is just learning the English language."

"Coming to Schoolcraft will not only enhance his academics, but he also has a chance to play at the (NCAA) Division I level."

Medunjanin will most likely play the small forward position for Schoolcraft.

"Emir has some size and is a guy who can shoot the ball," Briggs said. "He received good high school coaching from Tom Negoshian. He's fundamentally sound and a disciplined player."

"It's not always you can get a quality player like Emir from this area."

Two players off this year's

Schoolcraft team, point-guard Brian Williams (Wayne) and shooting guard Gilbert Mitchell (Detroit City), committed to Western Illinois, a Division I school in the Mid-Continent Conference. Another point guard, Reggie Kirkland, will sign with Division II Wayne State.

Two other Ocelots, top scorer and rebounder Rob Brown (Oak Park) and small forward Lamar Bigby (Detroit Northern), could be committing to Division I schools as early as this week.

The 6-5 Bigby is being pursued by Cleveland State, Texas A&M, Texas Christian, Bowling Green State and Western Michigan University. Purdue has also expressed interest.

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the Honeybak, 1 under-19 women's hockey team and is competing in a national tournament in Troy.

The second baseman is senior Katie Wolk, and the third baseman is junior Alyssa Sunbidge. Additional infielders are juniors Danielle Kolmigan and Lauren Zakalik and freshman Jehan Hinds.

In the outfield, senior Kelly McKee and junior Staci Russell will switch positions, with McKee going to right and Russell to center.

"I like to have somebody in right field who can charge the ball and throw people out at first base," Brubaker said. "(Russell) has a little more speed and can cover the gaps; so I like her in center."

Brubaker was still waiting to

see who would emerge as the left fielder. That could be either sophomore Lindsey Taub, senior Jessica Topper or Colombo.

The roster also includes junior Christie Hendrickson, who hits the ball hard, according to Brubaker, and will be used primarily as a DH.

North begins the season Monday at Walled Lake Central in a game between Western Lakes Activities Association contenders right off the bat.

"If we show up to play ball, we should be a tough team to deal with," Brubaker said. "Hopefully, we can live up to the expectations the coaches association has put on our shoulders."

"I get excited every year when softball is starting and the season is upon us. It's time to get outside and have some fun."

**RESOURCE RECOVERY AND RECYCLING AUTHORITY OF SOUTHWEST OAKLAND COUNTY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County, a public authority and body corporate, shall hold a public hearing on its proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2000, on Thursday, April 20, 2000, at 9:30 a.m. at the office of the Authority, 20000 W. Eight Mile Road, Southfield, Michigan, 48075-8708. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the office of the Authority.

This notice is given on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Authority pursuant to the provisions of Act 43, Public Acts of Michigan, 1963 (Second Extra Session).

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General Manager

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS (Summary)**

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order by Mayor Hartsock at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2000 in Council Chambers, 26000 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1978.

**PRESENT:** Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell.

**ABSENT:** None.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, City Attorney Donahue, Public Safety Director Goss, City Manager Laubhoff, Assistant City Manager Richards, Asst. Public Services Director Smith.

The Agenda was approved as submitted.

Minutes of the Special and Regular meetings of March 20, 2000 were approved as submitted.

Minutes of other Boards were received and filed.

Donna Vogelheim was introduced to Council as the Farmington Artist in Residence.

Ms. Glany Morris presented Bill Carwell with a donation for the Governor Warner Mansion from funds raised at the Chili Cook Off.

Dary Goss, Director of Public Safety, gave a presentation regarding Seat Belt Promotion.

Council granted permission to the Huron River Hunting and Fishing Club for special outdoor activities on June 13, June 22, June 24, and August 13, 2000.

Council granted permission for the Knights of Columbus to conduct their annual fund drive.

Council granted the request from Fresh Approach Market for outside sales.

Council granted permission for the annual South Farmington Baseball Opening Day Parade on Saturday, May 6, 2000.

Council accepted the resignation of Lester H. London from the Beautification Commission.

Council approved MKA, Inc. for Construction Management of the Civic Theatre Renovations, Phase II.

Council approved the establishment of a Public Employee Health Care Fund with investment Policy.

Council approved the purchase of a Dump Truck through the State Extended Purchasing Program for the Dept. of Public Services.

Council approved the issuance of taxicab licenses to Northwest Transport Company and to ABC Cab Company for 2000.

There were no public comments.

Council comments and announcements were heard.

Council amended the City Council meeting schedule for the summer, commencing the July 3 and August 21, 2000 meetings.

Council scheduled a joint meeting for the Jointly Funded Agency Budget on May 11, 2000 at 6:30 p.m.

Council approved the monthly Payments Report.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

**WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, Mayor**  
**PATSY K. CANTRELL, City Clerk/Treasurer**

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**CITY OF FARMINGTON SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING (Summary)**

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, April 3, 2000, in Council Chambers, 23000 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the Meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1978.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**FARMINGTON CITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:** Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, Director Goss, City Manager Laubhoff, Assistant City Manager Richards.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Terry Sever, Oakland County Commissioner.

Council met with Commissioner Sever to discuss the following issues: the telephone surcharge to support 911 services, a proposed fire response system coordinated through the County, replacement of Farmington Road, the Farmington/Evergreen Sewer System, the County Environmental Infrastructure Fund and a proposed Arts Council tax.

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

**WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, Mayor**  
**PATSY K. CANTRELL, City Clerk/Treasurer**

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**FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION TO BID**

Farmington Public Schools will accept sealed bids for:

**TELEVISIONS AND VCR'S**

At the Lewis Schulman Administration Center, 32500 Shiawassee, Farmington, Michigan 48336 until 1:30 P.M., Tuesday, April 18, 2000 at which time they will be publicly opened and read for presentation to the Board of Education at their next regularly scheduled meeting. No oral, telegraphic or facsimile proposals will be considered. No proposals will be considered after the time of closing of bids.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any item in the bid; to accept or reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities therein; or for reasons of establishing uniformity, to award the contract to other than the low bidder.

A certified check or bid bond for 5% of the bid amount issued by a carrier licensed by the State of Michigan and with an excellent or superior rating from AM Best Company must accompany your bid proposal.

Any questions should be referred to Dave Wertheimer at (248) 489-5847 or Peggy Schmidt at (248) 489-5414.

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**FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION TO BID**

Farmington Public Schools will accept sealed bids for:

**CLASSROOM FURNITURE**

At the Lewis Schulman Administration Center, 32500 Shiawassee, Farmington, MI 48336 until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 2, 2000 at which time they will be publicly opened and read for presentation to the Board of Education at their next regularly scheduled meeting. No oral, telegraphic or facsimile proposals will be considered. No proposals will be considered after the time of closing of bids.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any item in the bid; to accept or reject any or all bids; to waive any informalities therein; or for reasons of establishing uniformity, to award the contract to other than the low bidder.

Any questions should be referred to Mr. Paul Hain, Supervisor of Purchasing at (248) 489-3348.

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**FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION TO BID**

Farmington Public Schools will accept sealed bids for:

**ROOF RENOVATION AT FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL AND TEN MILE ANNEX**

At the Lewis Schulman Administration Center, 32500 Shiawassee, Farmington, MI 48336. Bids will be publicly opened and read at 1:30 P.M., Wednesday, April 19, 2000 for recommendation to the Board of Education at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

A bid bond for 5% of the bid amount issued by a carrier licensed by the State of Michigan and with an excellent or superior rating from AM Best Company must accompany your bid proposal. No certified checks accepted.

It is strongly suggested that bidders attend a prebid meeting on Monday, April 10, 2000 at 10:00 A.M. at the front lobby of Farmington High School, 32000 Shiawassee.

Bids may be obtained by calling Paul Hain, Purchasing (248) 489-3344. Any questions should be referred to Mr. Kevin Holyszko of Tremco at (810) 220-0651 or Mr. Ron Aten at (248) 489-3435.

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**FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION TO BID**

Farmington Public Schools will accept sealed bids for:

**CLASSROOM COMPUTER FURNITURE**

At the Lewis Schulman Administration Center, 32500 Shiawassee, Farmington, MI 48336 until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 18, 2000 at which time they will be publicly opened and read for presentation to the Board of Education at their next regularly scheduled meeting. No oral, telegraphic or facsimile proposals will be considered. No proposals will be considered after the time of closing of bids.

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