

Playing defense: North defender Michele Boothroyd gets a foot on the ball before Kara Tweadey can do so.

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Farmington and North have nine wins apiece as opposed to seven and eight losses, respectively.

The Falcons have already matched their win total from last season when they advanced to the Division 2 regional round, and the Raiders continue to make a major turnaround from recent years despite the latest setback.

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"It doesn't make the won-loss record look good, but it does make you a better team," he said of the competition.

Farmington's Kara Tweadey scored in the first 10 minutes Wednesday, and the Falcons made it stand for the duration in a game that see-sawed but was largely played in the middleid.

"We were in the process of shifting players and shifting (Tweadey) from midfield to forward, "Montgomery said," in the process of doing that, ahe ran to the ball and put it in the net."

"We let a cheap one in," North coach Tim Russell said, "We let it in early and it was tough to come back from that.

"There was a miscommunication, Farmington hustled and got to it and we didn't.

"You hat to lose it that way since I thought we outplayed them,"

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The Falcons pressed the attack again midway through the half, and the Raiders had their moment in the final 10 minutes.

North managed to keep the ball in the Farmington end of the field for much of that time, but North was unable to get a

but North was unable to get a quality shot on goal.
Kelly Hogen's indirect free kick sailed wide of the goal. The Raiders had a corner kick with 3k minutes leth but didn't put the ball on net, and the Falcons were able to send it the other way.

"I thought we played pretty well," Montgomery said, referring to his defense. It thought we kept our intensity throughout the game; North is a very good

Neither team had a solid scoring chance in the second half, but each did send some long balls toward the opposing goal, requiring the keeper to make a stop or catch. It was the fourth shutout this year for Farmington goalie Dana Wantin.

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Farmington's Beth Kolacki Farmington's Beth Kolacki and Lorianne DeDomenico lifted arcing, airborne shots within a half minute of each other mid-way in the second half, and North netminder Anna Muir akt topped an indirect free kick by DeDomenico a short time later. "We spent most of the game chasing their passes," Russell said, adding the Falcone like to send the ball 40 to 50 yards down field.

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"We couldn't string enough passes together. We'd have two or three and they'd blast it down field. It wasn't a pretty game, but we certainly didn't do the

field. It wasn't a pretty game, but we certainly didn't do the job.

"Once we let one goal in, we had to do whatever we could, and we ended up chasing them. They got one. (Farmington's tactics) worked for them; I can't fault them for that.
"I still felt good about (the situation at halltime). I thought it was a matter of time before we broke them down with a play, but it didn't work out that way. In a tight game, there was suspense until the final seconds. The game ended with North's Jackie Tate making a throw-inform the right side in Farmington's end of the field and form the right side in Farmington's end of the field and form the front of her team's goal.
"We ready, they were ready—and I liked the outcome," Montgomery said.

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did it. We plugged people into different events and found the right mix this year.

"One coach said, 'From top to solid performers."



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Marlins advance to semifinal round

Senior Susie Roble scored two second-half goals Tuesday and helped Farmington Hills Mercy pass its first test in the Catholic

pass its first test in the Cathour League girls soccer playoffs. Following a scoreless first half, the host Marlins went on to post a 3-1 victory over Birmingham

Marian.

Roble gave Mercy a 2-0 lead
before Marian scored its goal.
Marie Lentz added an insurance
goal for the Marlins, scoring off a
direct kick with seven minutes

mercy goalie Kristin Pimlott was "awesome," according to coach Tania Macioce, and kept the Marlins in the game in the first half. She made 18 total

saves.
Carrie Kluska and Autumn
Almas assisted on goals for
Morey, which took an 8-4-3
record into a semifinal game
today.
"We came out in the second

half and really started to domi-nate." Macioce said. "We turned

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it up a notch, and it made a dif-

ference.
"We played together more as a team. Kristin obviously played

great again.

"I think we've picked it up quite a bit since we got back from break. We're really playing well."

M. FARMINGTON 3, DLEDGE 1: The visiting Raisers led 10 at hardinne Monday and 30 before the Rockets got on the scoreboad.

Leuren Hogan accred the first goal with an assat from Jackle Tate following a scramble in front with 15 minutes left. Tate and Hicole Adens scored unassisted goals or dienn goal kicks in the second half.

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"We put a lot of pressure on them the whole game. The fact we were putting a lot of shots on them some were bound to go in." N. FARMINGTON 3, QLENN 1: The visit-

team and running the defense from back them. Allers to tax in non-leaving a more than them. The same than the same

With under two minutes remaining, Gienn everted a shutout when Nicole Payard scored with an assist by Sarsh Pack. North netminder Anna Multi just missed a shutout but still played a very good game, according to Russell.

"She made a lot of key saves," he said. "She was easy they physically and emotionally. She was easy theening the teem and naming the defense from back there."

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Tats and Hogan were among the ptayers Russell cited for their performances Moraday.
*Not only did (Tate) have a goal and an asalst, she played most of the game at forward and was all over the place, sliding in to get loose balls, to get shots. She played a superb game.

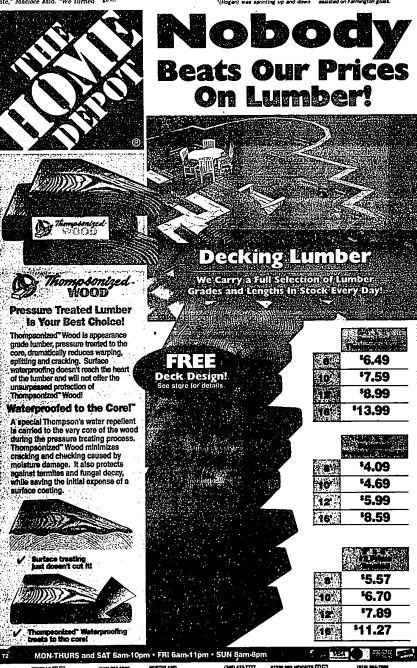
the wing. We only subbed her out once. By how hard she worked she should have been out more than that, but her just disn't need it, I guesa. She was just determined.

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"It was significant that Michele, being freshman, could shut down a senior who scored cutte a few goets, but I knew the could on the Dr. Russell soil. STEVENSON 8, FARTSHEETON GT. LOT of the Sport and (9-22), who led 40 at halfflime.

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