

**FARMINGTON —
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SCENE**
Lawson is All-America

Wayne State University catcher and first baseman Aaron Lawson of Farmington Hills (Harrison High School) was named to the American Baseball Coaches Association/Rawlings All-America second team.

Lawson finished his senior season third on the WSU team with a .356 batting average. He was first in home runs (eight), tied for first in RBI (47) and third in hits (57).

He also had 14 games with multiple hits and RBI. He had nine games with two hits, four with three and one with four. He had one game each with four and five RBI, as well as 12 games with two.

In WSU's career record book, Lawson is first in sacrifice flies with 14, tied for second in RBI with 129 and second in home runs with 24.

For a single season, Lawson is tied for second in sacrifice flies with six, third in extra-base hits with 57, tied for third in home runs with eight (third time in his career) and tied for fourth in hits with 57.

Beal competes for U-M

Former North Farmington High School sprinter Anthony Beal completed a successful rookie season running for the University of Michigan.

Beal was a member of U-M's fastest 400-meter relay team, which clocked a 41.87 earlier in the year, and he was third on the Michigan team in the 200 dash with a best time of 22.38.

At the Big Ten Conference championships in Indiana, Beal ran a season best of 49.08 in the 400-meter preliminary round but failed to qualify for the finals. He ran on the 400 and 1,600 relay teams, too.

Sorrows grid signup

Farmington Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Youth Organization football program will pre-register fifth-through eighth-grade athletes who are interested in participating in the fall season.

Two sessions have been scheduled for signup: 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, June 6, and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 9, in the conference room of the Sorrows Family Center on Raphael Street between 10 Mile and Shawwassee roads.

At the time of registration, necessary information will be given pertaining to the dates, times, and places to report for conditioning.

The CYO football season runs from early August through mid October and is open to youths who are registered members of Sorrows Parish or School or are members of a neighboring parish or school that does not have a football team.

Neighboring parishes and schools include St. Alexander, St. Colman, St. Claire, St. Fabian, St. Gerald, St. William, St. Andrew Kim and Holy Family of Novi.

For more information, contact either head coach Dave Majorana (seventh/eighth) at 248-488-0415 or head coach Steve Mahacek (fifth/sixth) at 248-478-9459.

Michigan Open results

Mark Holowicki of Farmington qualified to compete in the Michigan Open with a round of 72 Monday at Washtenaw Country Club.

This year's Michigan Open will be played June 25-28 at Grand Traverse Resort.

Optimist golf tourney

The Farmington/Farmington Hills Optimist Club and Metrobank will co-sponsor a junior golf tournament on Friday, June 15, at Glen Oaks Golf Course for boys and girls in the following age groups: 11-13, 14-15 and 16-18.

For more information, or to register call Scott Franklin at (248) 855-4949 or send an email to SGFP2@aol.com.

Hawks 3-peat as baseball champs



The Western Lakes Activities Association baseball championship trophy will remain at Farmington Harrison after it won its third straight title Friday afternoon by defeating crosstown rival Farmington, 8-0.

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Senior pitcher Matt Zarkin and sophomore catcher Kevin Zerbo made a formidable combination on behalf of the Farmington Harrison baseball team Friday afternoon.

Zarkin threw a six-hit shutout and Zerbo had a big day at the plate, leading the host Hawks to an 8-0 victory over Farmington in the Western Lakes Activities Association championship game.



Two-dinger day: Catcher Kevin Zerbo's two home runs sparked Harrison to an early lead Friday.

It's the third consecutive title for Harrison, which has now won five (1995-97-99-00-01) of the last seven.

Zerbo went 3-for-4 with two home runs and four RBI to pace a 13-hit offensive output by the Hawks, who moved their overall record to 20-5.

"He has hit the ball well all year, but he's been hitting the ball on the ground," Harrison coach John Herrington said.

"He's been getting a lot of singles with hard ground balls, and today he was able to get the pitches up in the air and over the fence."

Zarkin limited the Falcons (20-8) to six hits, which were spread over four innings, and one walk to improve his personal pitching record to 6-0.

Herrington, who was inducted into the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame Thursday, decided to go with the left-handed Zarkin, who has an earned run average under 1.00, because of the high number of lefties in the Farmington lineup.

"He's a very intense pitcher, and he hasn't lost a game here," Herrington said. "He doesn't appear to be overpowering, but he has a



Winning pitcher: Senior Matt Zarkin pitched a six-hit shutout for Harrison in the Western Lakes championship game Friday.

sneaky fastball and he knows how to pitch."

The Hawks gave Zarkin a quick lead with three runs in the first inning off Farmington starter Ian Pardonnet, who worked the first 2½ innings.

"We didn't play well in the first inning," Farmington coach Pete Finn said. "You can't give a team like chances. To their credit, their hitters

were on the pitches and didn't miss many."

Harrison's Marcus Mencotti started the game with a double and scored on a single by Drew Stanton, who was aboard when Zerbo hit his first homer.

"We know Pardonnet is a very good pitcher and to get three runs for Zarkin

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Haeger the hero in CC's championship win

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BASEBALL

By giving up five walks and four runs in the first 1½ innings of the Catholic League championship game Thursday, Redford Catholic Central pitcher Charlie Haeger could have been the goat.

Instead, CC batter Charlie Haeger turned out to be the hero.

Haeger's bases-loaded single through a drawn-in infield scored Anthony Coratti with the winning run as CC edged Windsor Villanova in a wild and wet game at Comerica Park, 5-4.

"I'm just glad we won," said a quiet Haeger after CC won its third title in four years and second in the last three over Villanova. "I just didn't have the stuff on the mound today. But you always want to hit in that spot."

What might be more impressive than the fact that the Shamrocks (21-6) came back from a 4-0 deficit to the Wildcats (17-4), is that they did it off left-handed pitcher John Picco. Picco went into the game with an 8-0 record

and an earned run average of 0.39 — allowing just three earned runs all year and two of those came in a 3-2 semifinal win over De La Salle.

"He's a pretty good pitcher," said CC's Kevin Entaminger, who wound up getting the win in relief. "I've played ball with him for the last couple of years in the summer and he's got good control, mixes it up well and he's tough to hit. He's got a good change, a good curve and a fast ball that explodes at the end."

The Shamrocks were able to solve Picco in the third inning. Ryan Rogowski and Dave Tovey led off with

singles, but Tovey was erased on a fielder's choice by Entaminger. Haeger walked to load the bases, but Picco struck out Kyle Crepena — one of Picco's 13 on the day.

But Jake Viane came through with a single to right to score two runs and tie the score at 4-4.

"That was a big at-bat for us," said CC coach John Salter. "Jake really hung in there. He fouled off like four or five pitches until he could get the hit."

Entaminger kept Villanova at bay as well. In his 5½ innings, he allowed just

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Winning effort: Farmington Harrison's Tarin Dew won the girls discus championship Wednesday in the Western Lakes Activities Association track and field meet. Dew was fifth in the shot put, too.

Hawks settle for 3rd place in 2001 meet

Defending champion Farmington Harrison was third in the 2001 Western Lakes Activities Association boys track and field championship meet Wednesday.

The Hawks scored 98 points but were well behind first-place Plymouth Canton with 138½ and runner-up Livonia Churchill with 127½.

North Farmington tied Northville for seventh place, and Farmington was 10th in the 12-school competition.

Harrison junior Terrell Mayberry was a double individual winner with victories in the 400- and 200-meter dashes.

He also helped the Hawks capture first place in the 800, 400 and 1,600 relays with Agim Shabaj and Marcus Woods.

Shabaj was the 100-meter champion

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