

## FARMINGTON — FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

### Sorrows wins tourney

Farmington Our Lady of Sorrows' girls varsity soccer team is the Taylor Catholic Kick-Off Classic Tournament champion.

The seventh- and eighth-grade Saints won the title Aug. 27 with hard work and consistent play from everyone, according to coach Lori Cancella.

The first opponent was Our Lady of Good Council, which Sorrows defeated by a score of 2-1. The win assured the Saints of advancing through the tournament in the winner's bracket.

Sorrows defeated Sacred Heart, 5-2, and advanced to the championship game. The Saints downed Allen Park Cabrini, 1-0, on an early goal and were able to hold off a late-game attack by Cabrini to preserve the win.

The members of the Sorrows team are Claire Kenney, who was voted tournament MVP by opposing coaches and referees, Jillian Brown, Megan Haapala, Kate McKenna, Rachel Staran, Kara Efimetz, Meghan Maraffino, Annie Loither, Jenny Johnston, Jennifer Pisan, Jenny Kopeck and Ashley Wrobel. Assisting these girls in the tournament were Kara Hammer, Julia Kenney and Shannon Landberg.

### Mercy girls unbeaten

Farmington Hills Mercy is undefeated in girls field hockey after defeating Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingwood on Wednesday, 4-2.

Katherine Marley, Justin Hughes, Erin Gruley and Molly O'Malley scored the goals, and Rachel Holland had an assist for the host Marlin.

Mercy goalkeeper Stephanie Yuhaz made nine saves out of 11 shots. The Marlin are 2-0 with a 1-0 victory over Grosse Pointe to their credit, too.

### Area gridders at MTU

A pair of former Farmington Harrison football players — junior Jay Sharp and sophomore Matt Reed — started in the defensive secondary Saturday for Michigan Tech University. The Huskies began their 79th season of intercollegiate football against Mercyhurst in Erie, Pa.

Sharp returned from an injury he suffered after starting the first week of last year's season. He was a key reserve as a defensive back his freshman year. Sharp has 21 career tackles, including 15 solos.

Reed, who was redshirted his freshman year, earned his first starting assignment in his third year with the MTU football program.

The Huskies returned 31 of 48 lettermen from last year's team, which was 5-5 and fifth in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

### Golfers equal record

Northville tied a high school course record Wednesday at San Marino Golf Course when it defeated host Farmington in boys golf, 144-165.

The Mustangs equaled the five-player score of 182, a record the Falcons set last year. The Western Lakes Activities Association has changed its format this year to match the rest of the state, however.

The WLAA now plays six players per team but counts the best four scores. Northville's four-man total also matches the team record of 144 shot last year by Farmington in the city meet against Harrison and North Farmington.

Northville's Tom Borda was the medalist with a score of 34. Teammate Dave Oljaca had a rare double-eagle 2 on the par-5 final hole and finished with a 36, as did teammate Ryan Gideon.

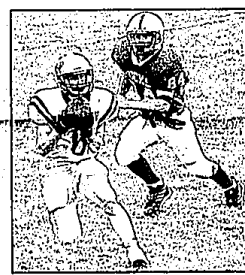
Kyle Dehne and Tom Gavin posted a pair of 38s and Lance Dehne a 40 for Northville.

Bryan Proven was low scorer for the Falcons with a 37. Drew Mortens shot 41, Jeff Tosiain 43, Matt Ryder and Adam Ellis 44 each and Jason Welch 45.



One step ahead: Junior quarterback Bryan Smith, who escapes the grasp of a Plymouth Salem defender helped North Farmington post a 35-14 victory Friday with his passing and running.

## Raiders roll over Rocks



TD play: Brian Johns hauls in a pass that led to a touchdown.

Bryan Smith stepped into a starting role at quarterback for North Farmington and led the Raiders to their first win of the football season Friday.

It was an impressive performance by Smith and victory for North, which defeated host Plymouth Salem 35-14.

Smith carried the ball 15 times for 139 yards and completed seven of 11 passes for another 88 and a touchdown.

His 9-yard TD toss to Brian Johns opened the scoring in the first quarter. The extra-point attempt hit the goal post, giving the Raiders a 6-0 lead.

North led 14-0 at halftime following the first of three TD runs by senior tailback Justin Cook and a two-point run by Smith.

Cook, who had scoring runs of 5, 4

and 1 yards, gave the Raiders a 21-0 advantage with his second touchdown in the third quarter.

Following a half-hour delay because of lightning, Salem cut the margin to seven points, 21-14. Myron Covington scored twice on runs of 3 and 1 yards and added a conversion run after the second TD.

The Rocks made an onside kick, but the Raiders recovered it.

"We lost a little momentum after the lightning delay," North assistant coach Rick Lee said, adding the Raiders were three and out twice.

But they regrouped and put away the victory with Cook scoring his

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## Harrison trounces Western

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Nobody could have expected this game to be over before halftime, too, but it was.

Walled Lake Western was supposed to be one of Farmington Harrison's toughest football opponents, but there was no suspense in this one either.

The No. 1-ranked Hawks made quick work of the host Warriors in a clash of unbeaten teams Friday, 44-0.

Harrison stunned a capacity crowd by taking a 28-0 lead in the first quarter. It was 42-0 at halftime and the clock was running throughout the second half.

### FOOTBALL

Junior tailback Marcus Woods scored three touchdowns and rushed for 101 yards on seven carries, and senior quarterback Drew Stanton completed nine of 11 passes for 181 yards and three touchdowns.

"(Western) had a good game plan, but you just can't match up with speed," Harrison coach John Herrington said.

"Marcus really did the job early. We had a little trouble throwing the ball, and he did the job. We came back to the pass and executed very well."

The game started poorly for Harrison when Stanton was intercepted by Western's Mike Pish on the first play of the game.

But the Hawks got the ball back when senior tackle Aaron Kennedy recovered a fumble at the Harrison 12.

"With the offense we have, a turnover at this point doesn't bother us that much," Herrington said. "We were just hoping to stop them, get the ball back and get something going."

It wasn't long and the Hawks were rolling.

Woods took a pitchout around left end for a 32-yard TD and, following a Western punt, dashed 41 yards up the middle for a second one.

The scoring drives consisted of just four and three plays, respectively.

The situation went from bad to worse for the Warriors when Harrison's Chris Kuclo recovered a fumble on first down at the Western 7.

Harrison scored two plays later when

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## North ready to defend Western Lakes crown

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North Farmington didn't lose many of its top players in girls tennis, and that can only be viewed as bad news for opponents.

But it means the outlook for the 2001 season is extremely positive for the Raiders, who are the defending Western Lakes Activities Association champions.

North also has a new coach in Joe Brennan, a teaching professional who replaces longtime coach Norm Slusarczyk.

The Raiders return their top three singles players, and all three are talented athletes.

Sophomore Emily Jaffe will play No. 1 singles again, having won the WLAA and Division 2 regional titles.

Brennan wasn't certain who would play where, but seniors Bethany Nestor, junior Amy Berke and freshman Kelly Davis will fill the remaining singles positions.

Nestor and Berke were regional champs at Nos. 2 and 3, respectively; Berke also won the WLAA title, and

### GIRLS TENNIS

Nestor was a runner-up. "We should be OK; we should be pretty solid," Brennan said of his singles lineup.

Juniors Chrissy Dwyer and Michele Boothroyd are back at No. 1 doubles after winning a regional crown and finishing second in the league.

Brennan wasn't sure what the other combinations would be, but it's a good bet senior Jenna Street and Allison Kay, who are tri-captains with Nestor, will be in the lineup somewhere.

Kay was the WLAA runner-up and regional champion at No. 2 doubles. Street a league and regional runner-up at No. 3.

"It's very competitive for the last three spots in doubles," Brennan said, adding 18 girls were competing for six positions.

The Raiders, who tied Holly for 11th place in the state tournament, scrimmaged Birmingham Groves in late August and have their first match

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She's the Raiders' No. 1: Sophomore Emily Jaffe is a defending Western Lakes and regional champion at No. 1 singles for North Farmington, the reigning WLAA and Division 2 regional tennis champ.

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