

## Falcons repeat as regional champs

### FARMINGTON — FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

#### Greer to coach WSU

David Greer of Farmington Hills has been appointed head coach of the men's basketball team at Wayne State University.

Greer, who was the associate head coach at the University of Detroit-Mercy, replaces Ron Hammy, who resigned Sept. 18 to become athletic administrator at Livonia Franklin.

"David brings a wealth of experience in recruiting, handling issues of student welfare and a familiarity with metropolitan Detroit," WSU Athletic Director Rob Fournier said.

Greer spent the last six seasons at UD-Mercy. He coordinated recruiting while handling coaching and practice-planning duties.

This is Greer's second appointment as a head coach on the collegiate level. In 1986-87, he was head coach of Tiffin (Ohio) University. He was an assistant at Youngstown State, Ohio University and the University of Akron before moving to UD-Mercy.

Greer was a four-time letter winner at Bowling Green (Ohio) State University. He is the all-time career assist record holder, and he was named to the All-MAC team in 1983.

#### Whalers acquire player

The Plymouth Whalers announced the acquisition of over-age right wing Brad Yeo in a trade with the North Bay Centennials Thursday. The Whalers gave up a pair of draft choices to acquire Yeo.

Prior to joining the Centennials this season, Yeo played three years with the Erie Otters, helping them post the Ontario Hockey League's best regular-season record in 2000-01. Yeo scored 28 goals and assisted on 41 others (69 points) last season; the 6-foot-1, 190-pound forward also drew 186 minutes in penalties.

In 12 games, Yeo has five goals and seven assists (12 points).

#### College sports report

Freshman tailback Chris Roberson rushed for 154 yards and a touchdown on 19 carries in Eastern Michigan University's 24-20 football victory over Buffalo on Oct. 27.

Roberson's 16-yard touchdown run with 8:23 remaining in the fourth quarter rallied the Eagles from a 20-17 deficit and capped a five-play, 83-yard drive.

Roberson is a former Farmington Harrison player and member of last year's state championship team.

Kate Adams of Farmington (Farmington High) was named to the Upstate Collegiate Athletic Association fall all-academic team.

Adams, a member of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute women's cross country team, was one of 49 RPI students-athletes so honored.

Adams, also a member of the RPI women's hockey team, is a senior majoring in biomedical engineering. RPI is located in Troy, N.Y.

Senior split end Joe Clinton of Farmington Hills caught a touchdown pass in Ohio Wesleyan University's 58-14 victory over Kenyon Oct. 27.

Clinton, who attended the University of Detroit-Jesuit High School, has caught 17 passes for 467 yards and three TDs this season. He also has returned six punts for 67 yards.

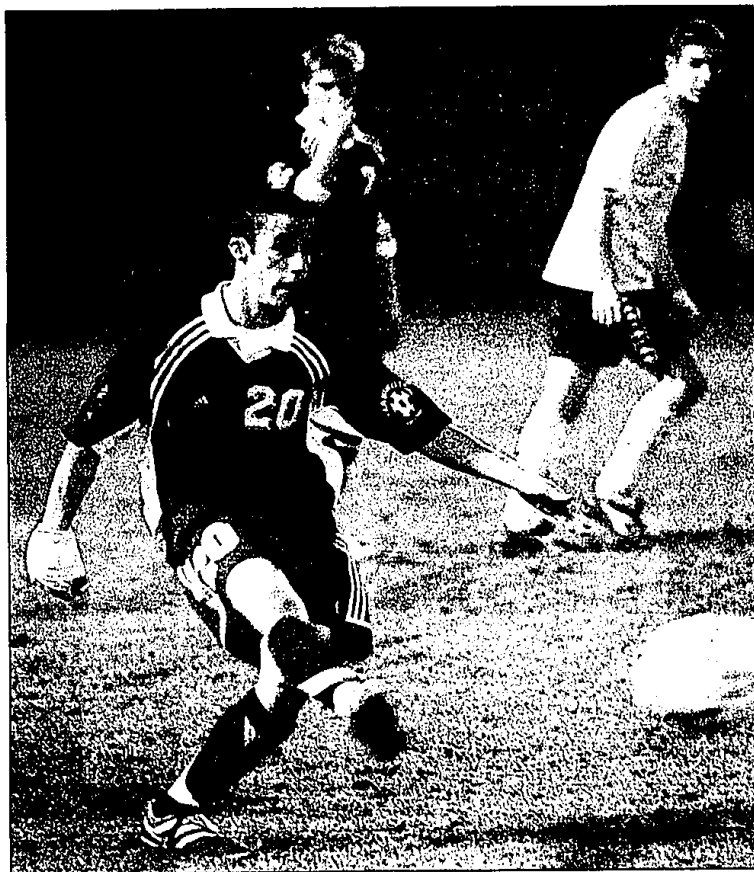
The Battling Bishops were 4-1 in the North Coast Athletic Conference and 7-1 overall heading into a Saturday game at Oberlin.

#### Player of the Week

Mike Falk, a forward for the Compuware Ambassadors, was named the North American Hockey League's player of the week for the week ending Oct. 28.

Falk scored two goals, one of them a game-winner, and had two assists as the Ambassadors posted back-to-back wins over the Springfield Junior Blues, 3-2 and 3-1, on Oct. 26-27.

Falk ranks fourth in the NAHL in scoring with 16 goals and eight assists (24 points) in 14 games.



Falcons move on in tourney: Junior Joe Russo contributed a goal Friday in Farmington's 5-0 victory over Trenton in a regional championship game. Potoskey will be the next opponent Wednesday.

Farmington High earned a berth in the semifinals of the Division 2 state soccer tournament for the second year in a row Friday by defeating Trenton, 5-0.

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Speed and skill are a pretty effective combination in the sport of soccer.

In fact, that's almost always a recipe for success as Farmington High demonstrated Friday night at Royal Oak Dendro.

The Falcons (16-3-2) won a regional championship for the second year in a row by defeating Trenton, 5-0.

Farmington advances to a Division 2 semifinal game to be played Wednesday at Linden High School.

#### SOCCER

The opponent for the 7 p.m. contest will be Potoskey, which beat Bloomfield Hills Lahser in overtime Friday, 3-2.

"We know nothing about them, and I think that's how much they know about us," Farmington coach Luke Juncaj said.

"I hope we're going to come out and play with a lot of intensity and good composure. When we put those two together, we can beat anybody."

After a slow start Friday, the Falcons began to assert themselves and eventually gained the upper hand.

What separated Farmington from Trenton (9-10-3) was its superior speed and skill at handling the ball.

The Falcons were quicker at getting to the ball, and they were better at winning and controlling it.

"We played pretty well," Juncaj said. "I don't think it was one of our better games, but we played well enough to win."

It was clear from the beginning we were much better than them. They don't have the skill we have."

At the start, Trenton was on the offensive more, although it was unable to penetrate the inner ring of the Farmington defense and execute an effective play.

The turning point, according to Trojans coach Bob Carlo, occurred when the Falcons were awarded a penalty kick at 23:12 in a still-scoreless first half. Trenton's goalie stopped the shot

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## Hawks defeat Chiefs to reach tournament finale

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#### BASKETBALL

Nobody would have expected Farmington Harrison to beat Plymouth Canton in girls basketball with only two points coming from senior Ayana Richmond.

But that's what happened Thursday as other players stepped forward and picked up the scoring slack in a Western Lakes Activities Association tournament semifinal game.

As a result of its 41-37 victory, Harri-

son will meet defending champion Plymouth Salem in the final game for the second straight year 7 p.m. Wednesday at Farmington High School.

The Rocks defeated the Hawks in last year's championship game, 47-33. Richmond is Harrison's leading scorer, averaging 19 points per game, but she was 0-for-9 from the floor and 2-for-4 shooting free throws Thursday.

Here's a stat that reveals just how much Richmond means to the Hawks:

They were 0-6 without her, but they've won 12 of their last 13 games since she returned from a preseason injury.

Harrison needed help from other players Tuesday, however. Maggie Condeni and Stephanie Zak scored 11 points apiece, and Bryanna Porter knocked down 10 off the bench. "That shows how far we've come as a team," Harrison coach Pete Mantyla said. "People are trying to take Ayana out of the game, but she delivered the ball to Bryanna really well in the first half."

"Our team is built around Maggie

and Ayana, but we're getting such good contributions from other people. It's impossible to beat good teams like Canton without that."

Jessica Condeni (four points) scored the first two baskets of the game, and Harrison raced to a 9-0 lead, which Canton trimmed to 12-6 by the end of the quarter.

But the Hawks continued to be effective around the basket with Maggie Condeni, who scored eight points in the second quarter, and Porter, who had

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## Trojans pull off 27-20 victory over Yellow Jackets

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#### FOOTBALL

Livonia Clarenceville proved it can play with the heavyweights of Michigan high school football and deliver a knockout punch Friday night.

The 11-0 Trojans got a record-setting performance from tailback Tim Shaw to beat Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day, 27-20, in a thrilling Division 5 regional championship game.

The knock on Clarenceville was a soft schedule in the Metro Conference, while Country Day had met a series of rugged foes this season, including Birmingham Brother Rice, Redford Catholic Central, Orchard Lake St. Mary's and Farmington Harrison.

"I wanted this bad for our kids, not only because of Country Day's reputa-

tion of what they've been in the past, but for our own reputation and where we come from," Clarenceville coach Greg Hudkins said. "Our kids have really worked hard to win a game like this."

Shaw's numbers before the home crowd were staggering to say the least — 213 yards in 23 carries; two catches for 120 yards and one pass completion for 38 yards. The 6-foot-2, 221-pound senior scored all four of his team's touchdowns and ran in for a two-point-er.

He also eclipsed the state's all-time rushing leader Bonny Clark, Jr. of Ravenna, who held the mark of 7,212 from 1993-95. Shaw now has 7,249 in

four years with another this weekend against either Detroit Crockett or Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

Shaw's 22-yard gain for a first down on the Trojans' final game-winning drive broke the career rushing record. He then scored on a critical fourth-and-goal play at the 10, opting to run instead of pass, with only 1:50 remaining to snap a 20-all deadlock.

"I saw their defensive back (Brandon) Horn run with (Adam) Carpenter," Tim Shaw said. "At first I was looking to throw, but then I only saw guys guys in front of me and I just tried to outrun them."

"The record really doesn't mean that much to me right now. I just wanted to win this game."

Quarterback Pete Shaw, who kicked

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Record-setter: Tim Shaw set a state record for career rushing.

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