

Mercy

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In the second game, Mercy took charge early as Stephanie Yuhasz served six straight points, including two aces, for a 6-1 lead. Junior Chloe Kraft also

served two aces in a string of four points to make it 14-3 before Loridas served the final one, which resulted from a Roosevelt kill.

"We beat Farmington and North at West Bloomfield, and I was hoping we would carry it over and play that well," Ruhl said. "We didn't show any let-downs. We're getting that competitiveness and aggressiveness that we need."

Loridas was named the offensive MVP of the tournament, and Roosevelt earned the same honor on the defensive side.

Both players made the all-city first team along with Kuykendall, Farmington juniors Deanna Gauer and Jessica Janowicz and North senior Meghan Callahan.

"(Loridas) hits the ball a ton," Ruhl said. "Everybody double blocks her. They're playing the odds; if they stop her, they can beat Mercy. That means if they stop her we still have Tessa and Anne."

"They were single blocking Loridas today. The middle was holding the block, and that opened things up for Kristin and Anne one-on-one."

"(Roosevelt) passes and plays all the way around; she does a good job of hitting the floor. The way I coach has clicked in for her as far as being relentless and playing every play. It's tough to say who was more valuable - her or Kristin."

The all-city second team consisted of Mercy's Yuhasz and Jones, North senior Melissa Traczek, Farmington senior Julie Kimmel and Harrison juniors Maggie Condoni and Jamila Fair.

Raiders are runners-up

North finished second in the tournament with a 2-1 record; the Raiders also defeated Harrison in two games (15-11, 15-8) to claim the title of public-school champs. Farmington (1-2) was third, Harrison winless.

The bonus for North is a 2-0 start in the Western Lakes Activities Association since the Farmington and Harrison victories count in the league standings.

The Raiders rebounded from their loss to Mercy to upset the Falcons, which all but made the day a success for them.

"The Farmington game is the best I've seen these girls play since I've coached them, and I've had most of them for four years," North coach Deb Calanchi said.

Each match included a third game whether or not it was needed. North defeated Mercy in the third game, 16-8, and the momentum carried over to the Farmington match, according to Calanchi.

"Absolutely," she said. "It was like we quickly forgot how ugly the first two games were. When you shake off something like that and come back to win most of the games, it's a credit to the girls for staying upbeat and

knowing what they had to do."

Farmington had a 7-6 lead in the first game following a Janowicz ace, but Lisa Scher served the next two for North. The Raiders took an 11-8 lead as Traczek served three points, including two aces.

Michele Boothroyd served the last four (two aces). During a volley, Callahan's two-handed push over the net fell inside the court for the 16th point.

"Our short serve was there and (Farmington) made the passes, but we got them out of sync a little bit," Calanchi said.

"Meghan Callahan and Missy Traczek had some big blocks. Meghan is known for going up against bigger girls and making a name for herself. Missy is a little hesitant, and I was pleased to see her go after it."

Though she didn't make an all-city team, Amy Berke deserved some recognition, according to Calanchi, who also cited Boothroyd for her weakside hitting.

"Any played well all evening," Calanchi said. "When you're not a hitter, it's easy to get overlooked in the back row. She dug everything that was hit at her. In my opinion, Amy Berke did a heckuva job today."

North holds ground

The Raiders jumped to a 7-0 lead in the second game with the Falcons, who closed the gap to 9-7 behind four service points by Kimmel. It was 11-10 when North finished with two service points by Berke (one ace) and Traczek.

"The second Farmington game shows how much this team has grown," Calanchi said. "When it was 9-7, I heard from the players, 'Let's go; we need to get the momentum back,' and they went right back and did what they needed to do."

"Farmington gave us a lot of opportunities. They struggled with their serve, and we took advantage of it. We didn't play sidetout volleyball, which is why we won that match."

"They obviously outplayed us," Perrin said. "Our bugaboo all year has been serving. When you miss 10 first serves against a good team, you're not going to win."

"They out-serve-received us pretty clearly, and that was the difference in the match. They played tough and deserved to win."

North struggled at times against Harrison but managed to persevere, win the match and secure runner-up honors.

"I told the girls, Look, this is for second place; if we lose, everyone will be tied," Calanchi said. "We missed 10 serves and used all our aces. We usually don't do that. It was painful but we won it."

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That the City Council of the City of Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, has tentatively decided its intention to make the following improvement:

Construction of ROAD IMPROVEMENTS to be located in the City as follows:

Westgate Franklin Village Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Section 2, to include:

Westgate Road
Southbrook Road
Northbrook Road
Richmond Hill Road

That plans and specifications outlining the improvement and the location thereof are on file with the City Clerk for public examination, along with the costs of said project, which are proposed as follows:

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST TO PROJECT: \$450,000.00
PERCENT OF COST ASSESSED TO DISTRICT: 51.33%
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST TO DISTRICT: \$231,000.00
AVERAGE COST PER BASE UNIT TO BE ASSESSED: \$ 2,315.16

That the City Council has tentatively designated the proposed special assessment district to include the following properties:

TIN. RSE, SECTION 02, CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS, PORTIONS OF WESTGATE FRANKLIN VILLAGE SUBDIVISION AND ACRES PARCELS, INCLUDING TAX IDENTIFICATION PARCEL NUMBERS

23-02-401-001 through 017 23-02-402-001 through 009
23-02-402-001 through 013 23-02-403-001 through 003 & 007
23-02-403-001 through 009 23-02-404-001 through 003
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That the City Council will meet in the City Hall Council Chamber, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan, on the 14th of January, 2002, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., to hear and consider any comments in opposition or in favor of said improvement.

If the City Council approves the making of the improvements, a special assessment may be levied against properties that benefit from the improvements. Act 185 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1975, as amended, provides that the special assessment must be levied against the hearing held for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll before the Michigan Tax Tribunal may acquire jurisdiction of any dispute involving the special assessment. The hearing for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll will be held, if at all, at some time in the future pursuant to notice given as required by law. Appearance and protest at such hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the special assessment, or may protest the special assessment by letter filed with the City Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing, in which case appearance in person is not required.

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KATHRYN A. DORNAN
City Clerk

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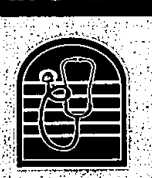
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