

Agatha's Fenbert is top coach of year

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John Fenbert took about 10 years off coaching in the 1980s. But since he returned to the sidelines, his Redford St. Agatha program has seen many more wins than losses.

Fenbert was named the 2002 Observerland Coach of the Year after guiding the Aggies to Catholic League C-D Division and district championships as part of a 17-6 campaign in boys basketball.

Completing his ninth season with the Aggies, and arguably the most successful, Fenbert said the different parts of his team fit together extremely well in the second half of the season after a tough start that was marked by several close losses. "This team knew it had a lot of heat on them to win, and they responded," Fenbert said. "We had to realize that Dan (Boulter) and Chris (Mayers) couldn't do it all themselves. Then we had different guys every night stepping up."

Fenbert has racked up eight straight winning seasons at St. Agatha and has captured two straight district championships.

ALL-AREA FIRST TEAM

David Hoskins, Salem: Some first-rate players have come out of coach Bob Brodie's program at Plymouth South. Hoskins rates with the best of them. His numbers certainly are impressive. He led the Western Lakes Activities Association champs in scoring (19.4 points per game), rebounding (9.8), steals (2.2) and blocks (2.0) and was second in assists.

BASKETBALL

"He's a very complete player," said Brodie of his all-conference player.

But his greatest development, the Aggies' coach thought, was mental. "This season we saw some maturity in him, some leadership," Brodie said. "We knew he had physical ability, but we wanted him to take charge more and he did."

Several NCAA Division I schools have shown interest in Hoskins, including Central Michigan, Eastern Michigan, University of Detroit Mercy, Michigan State, Iowa and Brodie.

Darnell Wilson, John Glenn: The 6-foot-5 Wilson averaged 20 points, 14 rebounds and three blocks per game for the WLA playoff champion Rockets, who finished 15-7.

Over the final 12 games, the All-Western Lakes selection averaged 22 points per game.

"One of Darnell's greatest assets is his work ethic and his attitude," Glenn coach Joel Lloyd said. "His practice habits and his games don't vary. He's a hard worker day in and day out."

Darren Bynum, Bishop Borgess: The only thing more impressive than senior Darren Bynum's numbers was his consistency.

At 6-foot-8, 250 pounds, Bynum was a load inside for Borgess this season, averaging 22 points and 12 rebounds per game. His season-high in scoring was just 30, showing how often he scored close to his season's average, and he had just one game with fewer than 10 rebounds. He has all the physical tools to someday compete at the Division I college level, according to his coach Lloyd Paelel.

"He is a very well-rounded player," Paelel said. "He can play with his back to the basket, and he's quick enough to



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Coach - St. Agatha

2002 All-area boys hoops team



Ryan Clark
Catholic Central



Darren Bynum
Bishop Borgess



Dan Boulter
St. Agatha



Chris Mayers
St. Agatha



Andrew Meagrow
Plymouth Canton

guard players on the perimeter. He has the full game."

Chris Mayers, St. Agatha: When it counted the most, senior guard Chris Mayers delivered. Mayers, a four-year starter for the Aggies, turned in a terrific season, averaging 18.2 points, 3.4 rebounds, 2.9 assists and 2.9 steals per game in leading St. Agatha to a 17-6 record. He also led the team in field goals made (158) and 3-pointers made (51).



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All-area player: North Farmington senior Mike Leach was named to the All-Observer second team.

"We struggled early, and it was because of the leadership of our seniors that we turned it around," said Aggies coach John Fenbert.

Andrew Meagrow, Canton: The improvement in Meagrow's game between his junior and senior seasons was phenomenal, certainly leaving some college coaches thinking the best is yet to come.

An all-WLA selection, Meagrow led the Chiefs in scoring (13.0 points a game) and rebounding (6.0) while making 45 percent of his shots. Perhaps his most impressive ability was his range: left unguarded, Meagrow would often hit three-pointers from well behind the arc.

"He really improved from his junior year," said his coach, Jeremy Rheault. "To come out and lead us in scoring, make all-conference and now All-Observer. He worked at it, and he worked at his inside game, too. We needed him to pick up his rebounding and he did."

SECOND TEAM

Matt Bartnick, Stevenson: The 5-9 senior point-guard was Mr. Clutch for the 14-9 Spartans.

The All-Lakes Division pick averaged 12 points and six assists per game, while shooting 75 percent from the free throw line (45 of 60) and 42 percent from the field (65 of 103).

"Matt has been our leader the last couple of years," Stevenson coach Bill Dyer said. "He showed a lot of character when the game was on the line. He took care of the ball and made free throws down the stretch. In big games he made the tough shot."

ALL-OBSERVER BASKETBALL

ALL-AREA BOYS BASKETBALL

FIRST TEAM

David Hoskins, 6-3 junior, Plymouth Salem
Darnell Wilson, 6-5 junior, Wald, John Glenn
Darren Bynum, 6-8 senior, Bishop Borgess
Chris Mayers, 6-2 senior, Redford St. Agatha
Andrew Meagrow, 6-6 senior, Plymouth Canton

SECOND TEAM

Matt Bartnick, 5-9 senior, Livonia Stevenson
Dan Boulter, 6-3 senior, Redford St. Agatha
Mike Leach, 6-1 senior, North Farmington

THIRD TEAM

Matt Elsey, 6-1 senior, Farmington Harrison
Matt Rodriguez, 6-2 senior, Redford Thurston
Tom Jakacki, 6-3 senior, Catholic Central
Landon Jezek, 6-3 senior, Livonia Stevenson
Pat Abraham, 6-6 senior, Plymouth Canton

FOURTH TEAM

Darnell Smith, 6-4 junior, Westland John Glenn
Steven McElroy, 6-5 senior, Farm, Harrison

COACH OF THE YEAR

John Fenbert, Redford St. Agatha High School

HONORABLE MENTION

Salem: Kevin Savitske, Steviand Davis, Brady Pastalanick; Canton: Jason Priebe, Billy Gazi, Brandon Murphy; Livonia: Livia Chuchelli; Shaun Foster, Kevin Zielinski; Livonia: Franklin; Hassan Ahmad, Matt Austin; Livonia: Stevenson; Brandon Chitwood, Nick Elmer; Westland: John Glenn; Jerrell Smith, De'Anthony Grubbery, Dwight Bankshead, Jeff Brantley; Wayne: Memorial; J.J. McClain, Michael Rashad, Jonathan Raspberry; Livonia: Clarenceville; Glenn Garrant, Josh Silvernail.

Pete Shaw; Luthern Westland; John DeVries, Brian Englehardt, Nick Doherty; Westland: Hursan Valley Lutheran; Dan Schultz; Garden City: Rick Warnock, Brian Burton; Redford: Greg Hill, Sean Myers, Fernandez Bryant, Chris Rigley, Randall Taylor; Thornton: Darnell Minnifield, David Madigan; Redford: Ryan Wobleske, Jeff Nemic, Tom Jakacki; Borgess: Jason Smith, Brandon Jennings; St. Agatha: Kenny Smith; Plymouth: Christian Academy; City: Weldon, Xander Young, Aaron Cibrowski; Canton: Agape; Josh Anthony, Jordan Napier; Harrison: Dave Condon, Terrell Mayberry; North Farmington: Marcus McComb, Earl Higgins Jr., Jason Neel, Brian Jones, Sean Mackler; Farmington: Ryan Kosinski, Robert Nagy.



CITY OF FARMINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS (Summary)

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order by Mayor Mitchell at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2002, in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 287-1976.

PRESENT: Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, Director Gushman, City Manager Lauffoff, Assistant City Manager Richards.

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Minutes of the special joint meeting of February 26, 2002 with Farmington/Farmington Hills Council and School Board and the special and regular meetings of March 4, 2002 were approved.

Minutes of other boards were received and filed.

Todd Lips, Program Director of Youth and Family Services, expressed his appreciation to Council for providing the opportunity for the members of the Mayor's Youth Council to attend the National League of Cities Conference in Washington, D.C.

Michael Campo, General Manager, presented the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County (RRRASOC) annual report.

The members of the Mayor's Youth Council, Josh Rubinowitz, Madeline McAuley, Sarah Gullion, Paul Ahn and Gregory Wright, provided brief overviews of their experience at the National League of Cities Conference in Washington, D.C.

Executive Director Downey and President Oglesby of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) provided a quarterly update on the activities of the DDA.

Council appointed Maggie Loridan to the Farmington Area Commission on Aging for a three-year term.

Council appointed Steven Schneemann to the Commission on the Environment for a three-year term.

Council approved 2002 Downtown Development Authority events for the City of Farmington.

Council granted permission to the Groves-Walker Post #346, American Legion, to conduct their annual Poppy Days sale on May 17, 18 and 19, 2002 and proclaimed these dates as "Poppy Days" in the City of Farmington.

Council granted permission to the Farmington Community Arts Council to allow a banner to be hung across Grand River Avenue from April 18 through May 6, 2002.

Council granted permission to the Muslim Shrine Temple to solicit funds in the City on June 14, 15 and 16, 2002 to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Council adopted a resolution to support the increase in the diesel fuel tax only if the additional revenue is distributed equitably to the Michigan Department of Transportation, County Road Commissions, Cities and Villages based on the distribution formula in Public Act 51.

Council approved changes to the pension plan for the City Department Head group to take effect immediately.

Council member Hartsock announced his resignation from the Farmington City Council effective March 31, 2002. He thanked the citizens of Farmington for their kindness and support on many levels including ballot initiatives over the past years. He spoke of the importance of giving back when one has been blessed in life. He gave special thanks to the administration that provided the needed support so that Council could focus on the important issues. He spoke of the benefits of longevity that allows employees and volunteers to indoctrinate newcomers in what it means to serve in our community. He expressed his gratification in seeing employees who work with a passion for many years and then are able to enjoy their retirement. He went on to discuss the importance of the position of City Manager and his good fortune in having worked with two outstanding individuals, current and former City Managers, Frank Lauffoff and Bob Broadman.

Council member Hartsock continued by thanking his fellow City Council members for their support and service. He spoke about the issues faced by Council and the often times difficult challenge of reconciling individual requests with the common good. He discussed Council's careful consideration of each and every request and concern brought to them. He stated that Council has been able to make good, informed decisions because of the support of City administration. He further stated that Council has always worked well together, even following a divided vote, because once a final decision was made Council moved forward in unity of purpose. He also noted the uniqueness of Council members all having served long enough to be appointed as Mayor. He spoke about past Council members with whom he has served and noted that there was always continuity and seamless transition because a new member always served with experienced ones. In conclusion, he expressed regret that he would not be serving out his full term which would have given him thirty years of service. He spoke of the many fond memories he would take with him, while leaving behind the "footprints" of positive change he and fellow Council members have made in this community.

Public comments were heard.

Council Comments and announcements were heard.

Council cancelled their regularly scheduled second meetings of July 15 and August 19, 2002.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

JAMES K. MITCHELL, Mayor
PATSY K. CANTRELL, City Clerk/Treasurer

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CITY OF FARMINGTON SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING WITH STATE SENATOR BULLARD (Summary)

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council with State Senator Bullard was called to order by Mayor Mitchell at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2002 in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 287-1976.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

FARMINGTON CITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, City Manager Lauffoff, Assistant City Manager Richards.

OTHERS PRESENT: State Senator Bullard.

Council met with State Senator Bullard to discuss issues of importance to the City including: State Revenue Sharing, Act 51 road funding and available grants for Civic Theatre funding; and to hear updates on pending legislation in other areas.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

JAMES K. MITCHELL, Mayor
PATSY K. CANTRELL, City Clerk/Treasurer

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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS SUMMARY OF SPECIAL ORDINANCE

Notice of Adoption of Special Ordinance C-3-02, an Ordinance to convey land to Centex Homes d/b/a The Selective Group, in accordance with the Sale of Land and Development Agreement.

A full copy of this Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's Office for public review and inspection.

THE CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS ORDAINS:

Section 1.

The City Council of the City of Farmington Hills authorizes the City Manager to execute the Sale of Land Agreement approved by Council on February 11, 2002 and upon satisfaction of the terms of the Agreement to execute and deliver appropriate deeds and documents to Centex Homes d/b/a The Selective Group, conveying property on Haled Road, Section 17, described as The Fairways of San Marino and The Fairways of San Marino - Access Easement.

Section 2. Repealer.

Section 3. Secrecability.

Section 4. Savings.

Section 5. Effective Date.

Section 6. Enactment.

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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS SUMMARY OF PROCEEDING CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MARCH 18, 2002

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bates at 7:30 p.m.

Council Present: Barnett, Bates, Brickner, Ellis, Grant, McEas and Oliverio.

Council Absent: None.

Others Present: City Manager Brock, City Clerk Dornan, Assistant to the City Manager Arzenowake, Directors Bissell, Couteignan, Laasley and Attorney Donohue.

CITY COUNCIL

TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- Received monthly legislative report.
- Enacted Ordinance to convey land to Centex Homes d/b/a The Selective Group for San Marino Expansion Project.
- Tabled consideration of street name change for eastern portion of Clairview Drive, Section 2.

APPROVED:

- Planned Unit Development Option Qualification 1, 2002 for Daimler-Chrysler Services, Inkster Road.
- 2002-2003 Community Development Block Grant Plan and funded expenditures.
- Enactment vacations in Glen Acres Subdivision and Glen Acres Subdivision No. 1 (Clairview Street), Section 2.
- Brownfield Plan 2B, Amendment No. 1, Grand River/Waldron area property.
- Final Plan for Kuznar Site Condominiums and dedication of Dickinson Court, Section 32.
- First amendment to Planned Unit Development Agreement and sign proposal with Grand/Sakwa Acquisition, LLC (14 Mile/Orchard Lake/Northwestern Highway).
- Grant application for Art on the Grand Program.
- City Council meeting minutes of January 28, February 11 and 25, 2002.
- Ending into executive session immediately following regular meeting to discuss pending land acquisition.

AWARDED BIDS/PURCHASE ORDERS FOR:

- Computer Hardware and software to Sterling 2000 and Information technology services to Dymek and Analyst International.
- Repair of DPW dump truck to Wolverine Ford Truck in an amount not to exceed \$32,074.

NANCY BATES, Mayor
KATHRYN A. DORNAN, City Clerk

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