

# Falcons hang shutout on Salem; Regina stuns Mercy

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Three runs in the first inning proved to be enough for Farmington on Monday as the Falcons stopped Plymouth Salem, 3-0.

"We went ahead early and hung on," said Falcons coach Kristen Harmsen. "It was a nice win for us."

Megan Young provided the big blow in the first with a two-run triple. Amy Paquette followed that with a single to score Young. Young also added another triple, while Melissa Matthews had a double and Randin Brown singled and provided a defensive gem in the third inning.

"She made a great catch in center with the bases loaded," said Harmsen as her team moved to 4-11 overall and 2-4 in the Lakes Division. "It would have been two or three runs in

for sure."

Kelly Jaskot paced Salem with a pair of singles, while Maggie Tudor, Alicia Murovski, Mandy Bradley, Kelly Szczepanski and Jess Bonelle all singled. Kelsey Guisbert (4-9) earned the win, giving up seven hits and two walks in seven innings, while Jill Foster gave up a walk and seven hits with four strikeouts while taking the loss.

■ Farmington 6, Stevenson 8: In a WLA-Lakes Division game Friday, the host Falcons pulled out the victory as Kelsey Guisbert was the winning pitcher against host Livonia Stevenson (5-7, 2-3).

Amanda Marginer and Randin Brown each had a single and double for Farmington.

Losing pitcher Amanda Jankowski had a double and single for the Spartans. Lindsay Hollandsworth and Debbie Galesky also added two hits apiece.

■ Mercy 7-2, Harper Woods Regina

0-3: After blinking host Regina in the opener of Tuesday's doubleheader, the Marlins were surprised by the Saddellites in the second game.

Regina pitcher Amy Whaley took a perfect game and a 2-0 lead into the top of the seventh inning, but Molly O'Malley broke that up by reaching on an error and Tammy Karagostas ended the no-hitter with a single. After Holly VanCleave singled, Sarah Roman's sacrifice scored O'Malley and Karagostas scored on a botched rundown.

But Regina wound up with the win when Dana France (10-3) walked two batters, then Ames Koral doubled home the winning run. France struck out eight in the game, while Whaley fanned 10.

In the opener, Mercy's Megan Fediuk (13-2) tossed a two-hitter en route to the shutout. Michelle Cybulski took the loss for Regina.

VanCleave led the way for Mercy with a three-run single in the fifth inning, while Rachel Delcorvo had an RBI single and Erin Agency doubled.

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Allison Melvin led the Raiders in hitting, by going 2-for-2 with a sacrifice, while Moria Kessler, Jehan Hindo, Lindsey Taub and Danielewicz all singled. Van Cleave paced Mercy by going 3-for-3, while Sarah Roman and Rachel Delcorvo singled.

Fediuk started the semifinal, but left after four innings with three strikeouts and three hits. Dana France (10-0) earned the win, striking out two in the final three innings. Danielewicz (13-3) suffered the loss although deserved a better fate by giving up just five hits and one walk, while striking out 13.

In the quarterfinals, Mercy used an 8-0 win over Alma to advance, while the Raiders nipped Romeo, 1-0.

France got the win over Alma by striking out six and allowing two hits, while Schneider led the way at the plate with a homer, a single and two RBIs. O'Malley was 2-for-4, Lindsey Fediuk was 2-for-3 and Kelly Ferrara singled. Danielewicz, meanwhile, allowed

just three hits against Romeo, with seven strikeouts. She also led the Raiders at the plate by going 2-for-3 with an RBI, scoring Kessler with the game's only run. Taub, Sarah Reading and Amy Berke all singled.

In Saturday's pool play, North went 3-0 on the day with a 2-1 win over Oxford, a 2-0 win over Macomb Dakota and a 3-1 win over defending champion Ortonville-Brandon.

Danielewicz struck out 11 and held Oxford to just four hits. Ali Goldberg led the way at the plate by going 2-for-2 with a walk, while Melvin was 1-for-3 with an RBI and Berke and Danielewicz singled. Danielewicz gave up just two hits against Dakota while striking out 16. Hindo led the way at the plate with a pair of hits, while Berke, Taub, Melvin and Reading all singled.

Against Brandon, Danielewicz came through on both ends as she fanned 12 batters, giving up just four hits and a run, while going 2-for-3 at the plate with an

RBI. Jaffe was also 2-for-3 with an RBI, while Melvin had an RBI double and Reading and Taub singled.

Surprisingly, Mercy went 2-1 in pool play, beating Fenton 3-0 and Warren Cousino 10-0, but losing to Dexter, 2-0. Still the Marlins made the playoffs thanks to giving up the fewest runs in pool play.

Megan Fediuk shut down Cousino on a two-hitter, while striking out 10. Van Cleave went 2-for-4 at the plate with three RBIs, while Karagostas and Delcorvo both had an RBI single. France hurled a two-hitter against Fenton with six strikeouts, while O'Malley and Schneider led the hitting attack with a pair of singles. Van Cleave had a double and Ferrara and Delcorvo both singled.

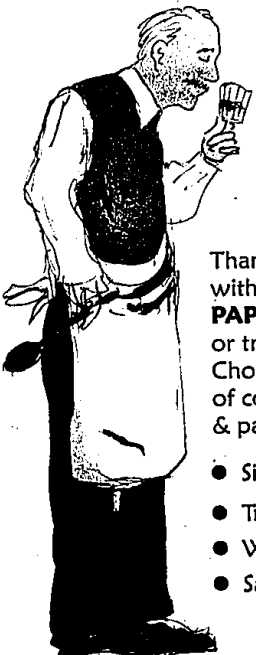
Dexter's Jennifer Ritter shut down the Marlins in the third game on Saturday. The University of Michigan-bound pitcher held Mercy to just two hits - singles by Van Cleave and Ferrara.

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