

2002 All-Observer Girls Golf Team



Rachel Thomas
Livonia Ladywood



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Farmington Hills Mercy



Kristen Polanski
Livonia Stevenson



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Wayne Memorial



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vated Mercy's golfers this season while producing results.

She was 13th at the state final. The junior was second at the regional, Oakland County, Catholic League and Mercy Invitational meets.

"Christina is a team leader," coach Vicki Kowalski said. "She pushed all the players to achieve their best. Christina led Mercy to a runner-up finish in Division I (83-82-165)."

Jackie Shinnery, Mercy: The converted softball player added depth to a skilled Mercy squad.

The senior was runner-up in the Catholic League for the second year in a row. She averaged 44 shots in dual meets and 90 in tournaments.

"Jackie was a welcome addition to the golf team in her junior year," Kowalski said. "She played softball in ninth and 10th grades. Her 84 the second day of the state finals helped Mercy to a runner-up finish."

Monica Pilzner, Mercy: Pilzner was a consistent factor for the Marlins this sea-

ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS GOLF

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FIRST TEAM

Christina Cibraro, junior, Mercy
Monica Pilzner, senior, Mercy
Jackie Shinnery, senior, Mercy
Heidi Altman, senior, Churchill
Kelley Parzuchowski, senior, Churchill
Kristen Polanski, junior, Stevenson
Amber Henn, senior, Wayne
Rachel Thomas, junior, Ladywood

SECOND TEAM

Christy Dwyer, junior, Farmington
Andrea Matzarska, senior, Farmington
Kim Warynczak, senior, Mercy
Katy Rock, senior, Churchill
Danielle March, senior, Salem
Rachel McIlroy, freshman, Ladywood

The senior took fourth place in the Catholic League, sixth in the Flint Powers

third team
Kelly Raymond, senior, Farmington
Missy Traczynski, senior, Farmington
Kelly Polce, senior, Churchill
Samantha Talbot, junior, Mercy
Leah Anderson, junior, Ladywood
Andrea Hieck, sophomore, Churchill

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Stevenson: Stephanie Baringhaus, Sarah Zienarski, Missy Garlick, Rebecca Rogatz; Franklin: Colleen Fitzell, Kim Haskins, Danielle Stohr, Lauren Stecke; Churchill: Kate Anthony; Farmington: Emily Laird, Britany Nusselt; Mercy: Caitie Kelly, Sara Larson; Ladywood: Jenny Hubert, Lauren Olson; Anne Rizer; Wayne: Cindy Diehl; Canton: Meghan Stewart, Jen Travers, Meghan Depp, Beth Treaswell; Salem: Danielle Powers, Kelle Tarnow, Jenny Schwann; Thurston: Rachel Grigg, Melanie Fletcher.

tournament and fifth at the regional. She averaged 89.5 in tournaments.
"Monica has improved significantly

every year," Kowalski said. "She served as an excellent team captain and encouraged all the girls in the program. Monica will be missed on the golf team next year."

Heidi Altman, Churchill: Few girls can hit the ball as far as Altman.

She qualified for the state meet four times and was runner-up this season in Division I. The senior averaged 40.9 strokes per nine-hole match and 79 for tournaments.

"Boy, are we going to miss her," MHSAA official Bob Lober said when announcing the state-final award winners.

"She makes her presence known," Churchill coach Sharon Laskowski said. "She has the potential to go on and do bigger and better things."

Amber Henn, Wayne Memorial: Practicing for the state meet can be a nerve-racking task. Henn, however, got her first hole-in-one while preparing for the finals.

She used the momentum from this to

place fifth at the Division I state meet. She was third at the regional and second at the Mega Red Championships.

Henn shot an 80 to win the Bedford Invitational.

Kristen Polanski, Stevenson: Polanski has become accustomed to winning. She was the medalist in six of eight dual matches and averaged 39.5 strokes. The junior set a school record when she shot a 34 in Stevenson's win over Farmington. Polanski won the Division regional and competed in the state meet for the second straight year.

"She was an inspiration to her team and a captain who led her team to the (WAAA) Lakes Division co-championship," coach John Wagner said.

Kelley Parzuchowski, Churchill: Known as "The Rock," Parzuchowski had solid this season for the Chargers, averaging 45.67 in dual meets and 89.8 in tournaments this season. The senior lettered four times and was a three-time

scholar athlete.

"Kelly was a solid No. 2 player that never wavered," Laskowski said. "I called her 'The Rock.' She was a real asset to the team and will be missed."

Rachel Thomas, Ladywood: The junior is a two-time state qualifier who finished sixth this season in the Division II state meet held at Forest Akers East Course in East Lansing.

Thomas, who led the Blazers to a sixth-place team finish, shot rounds of 84 and 76 for a 160.

She also was the medalist in the regional at Raisin Valley in Tecumseh with an 82, and she was the Catholic League medalist with an 81 at St. Johns.

"Rachel had a great season and it was well deserved," Ladywood coach Kellianne Nagy said. "She worked very hard and is very dedicated. She was always on the range - rain, shine or cold."

Concealed Security wins tourney

Concealed Security defeated the Novi Expos, 7-4, to win the South Farmington Blues 15-year-old Invitational at Founders Park on June 9. Brandon Garner was 3-for-4 with three RBI in the championship game, and Bryan Rando pitched 4 2/3 innings of scoreless relief to earn the win. Steve Karchefski got the final out.

In the semifinal, Concealed beat the Michigan Panthers, 8-6. Eric Vojtkofsky (Wayne) and Garner were 2-for-2, and Karchefski picked up the win in relief.

Vojtkofsky, who also scored three runs in that game, went 4-for-4 with a double and a home

run and had seven RBI as Concealed defeated the Kalamazoo Redbirds to reach the semis, 11-6.

John Rochow (Farmington Hills) was 3-for-4 with two RBI, and Garner and Kyle Verbeek chipped in two hits each. Jeff Richard (West Bloomfield) scattered seven hits over six innings to get the victory. John Roddy hit a grand slam as Concealed started tournament play with a 17-1 rout of the Birmingham Barons. Vojtkofsky and Matt Walters (Wayne) had two hits apiece. Roddy and Walters also scored three runs each.

Concealed's 13-player roster includes eight freshmen and three

sophomores who played varsity baseball for their respective high schools.

Five players were ineligible to play at the start of the tournament since their school teams were involved in regional play.

Concealed brought up three players from its 13-year-old team to play in the first two games - Senn Falvo (Redford), Verbeek (Birmingham) and Joe Henry (Rochester).

Other players on the 15-year-old roster are Mark Pirronello (Livonia), Ryan Shay (Garden City), Scott Szpyka (West Bloomfield), Adam Reilly and Will Jostock.

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