Baseball tryouts

E Baseball tryouts Tryouts for the 17-year-old Oxidand Tinar trave Dase-ball team will take place 1-3 pm. Skrudar, feb 15. The site will be Gakland Community College's Highland Lakes Campus gym-asium on Cooley Lake Road in Commerce Township, All positions are open Players must be 17 or under as of July. For more information and Green be last week of July. For more information and directions, call Ray Meriman at (249) 626-9034. El Softhall feronits

🖬 Softball tryouts

E Softball tryouts The Farmington Motor City Madness girls tast pitch soft-ball teams will conduct try-outs for the 2003 spring sea-son 12 pm. Saturday, March a. 12 Power Middle School. Ages are determined as of Jan. 1, 2003. Players should arrive a hall hour early reg-istration. Players should bring bals, mills. Neimets and gmy shoes. For more information call Ferry Gardner at (248) 5537/078 regarding the Zend under

regarding the 12-and-under team and Bill McNeil at (248) team and Bill McNen as white 471-4953 for all other ages. Will Hoop tourney

Wa Hoop tourney The killod Police Department is sponsoring its lith Annual 3-on 3 Junior Sheotout baskelbail tourna-ment March 14-16 for bors and girls in grades 4-12. The entry fee is SoO per team (four players) and must be submitted by March 10. For more information call Rick Sharpe at (249) 544-1322.

B Volleyball tryouts

EX Volleyball tryouts Tryouts for the Farmington Volleyball (UNIS Juniors ): Elite team will be 630 p.m. Sunday, feb. 16, at St. Fabian School in Farmington Hills. For more information call the club at 248-594-4289 or see the Web site at http://jiu-niors.home.att.net.

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contact the director of ath-letics at (248) 489-3352.

Soccer shootout The University of Michigan men's soccer team will host the first 3-on-3 Micro-Soccer

Shootout and Camp Sunday, Feb. 16, at Oosterbaan Fletdhouse.

Soccer's answer to the Gus Macker tournament, the shootout features divisions

shootout reatures of visions for players ages seven to adult, with recreational and competitive divisions avail-able. Cost of the event is S48 per team and each team is quaranteed four games. Players ages 7-10 will com-pete from 9 a.m. to 1:30 pm, and players ages 31 and up

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Bowlers can suffer from injuries too, as Al Harrison finds out. D3

# Falcons dump defending D-IV champs

### BY DAN O'NEARA STAFF WRITER

Farmington avenged an earli-er loss and stayed in title con-tention Tuesday with a 52-42 victory over visiting Madison Heighst Lamphere in boys bas-ketball. The Falcons are 7-2 in the Oakland Activities Associations Division IV and trail first-place Madison by one game.

Lamphere, the defending divi-sion champion, falls two games behind Farmington with a 5-4 record.

record. To this league, and we should be competing for the champi-ouship, Farmington coach Steve Norgrove said. "Now it's just a matter of being consistent. "Lamphere was one game behind us; so it was very impor-tant that we created that separa-

if an and went two games up on them. They got us at their place the first time, and we knew we had to send a message. A high-scoring second quarter was all the Falcons needed to us the mean them are the second reader to be second reader to be t

was all the Falcons needed to put themselves on the road to victory. The score was tied at 7-7 after the first period, but Farmington outcored Lamphere in the sec-ond, 26-13. ond. 26-13.

After making just two field goals in the first, the Falcons had nine in the second, includhad nine in the second, includ-ing four three-point baskets, plus four free throws. "We started pressing more and added some half-court pres-

sure in the second quarter, Norgrove said. "That really got to their guards. We really chased their guards, and it wore them

down. "We did more half-court trap-

ping, and that jump-started our offense because it allowed us to get out on the break and get some transition baskets. "It put us up by 13 at halftime, and we were in a good position coming out of the half." Farmingon only h... at to hold its ground in the second half and could alford to concede a 22-19 scoring edge to Lamphere

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# **Bears halt Raiders'** win streak

### ET DAN O'MEARA STAFF WRITER

The bad news is North Farmington had its 10-game winning streak in boys basket-ball broken Tuesday night at Berkley. But the good news is the Raiders still have a two-game lead in the Oakland Activities Association's Division III. North, which won a lot of close games during its streak, had the law of averages working against it as Berkley claimed a 54-53 victory. Senjor point enand Marsus McComb

working against it as Berkley claimed 8 54-53 victory. Senior point guard Marcus McComb returned to the lineup Afrea a one-game absence due to an ankle injury, finkhing with 12 points for the Raiders. As far as leading scorers, it was a battle between the Kennedys. North's Gary and Berkley's Sean scored 22 points apiece to lead their teams. Sean made seven three-point shots and Gary three. Darrin Rawls added nine points for the Raiders, who still lead the division with an 8-1 record and are 10-6 overall. Eric Kardon contributed 18 points for the Bears, who led 17-11 after lone quarter, 27-26 at halftime and 43-41 through three

PIEASE SEE HOOPS, D2



### Harrison hoop happenings

Farmington Harrison's Eric Zatkin reaches back in an attempt to grab a joose ball Tuesday night while tearmate Brandon Green and a Birmingham Seaholm player follow the action. Seaholm won the game, 80-44. See delails inside today's sports section.

BY DAN O'NEARA STAFF WRITER

## Hawks are runners-up in division

### BY DAN O'MEARA STATE WRITER

Farmington Harrison had two indi-vidual champions and finished second In the Cokland WRESTLING WRESTLING United State (Second Second Second Division IV wrestling tournament Saturday, Herrison's Mike Smith captured the 130-pound tile, and Alex Moulding was the winner in the heavyweight

130-pound title, and Alex Moulding was the winner in the heavyweight bracket. Smith pinned Royal Oak Dondero's Rob Nulsmith in the finals (3:23), and Moulding pinned Rochester Hills Stoney Creek's James Boyd to win the 275-pound crown (1:00). 'Mike Smith came through bjg.' Harrison coach Ilrad Birkett said. The wrestle all year. 'Alex Moulding absolutely came up big. He only weighs 216 pounds, so he's not a true heavyweight by any means.

he's not a true heavyweight by any means. \*People were actually laughing when they saw him walk out for the championship match, and he pinnaed the guy in a minute. Going into the finals, Harrison was in third place behind Stoney Creek, but the Hawks moved up a place with the help of wins such as the one by Moulding. Bloomfield Hills Lahser is

and players ages 11 and up will go from 1-6:30 p.m. For more information, call (734) 615-5141 or send an e-mail to goblue@umsoccer.com

## Mercy, Marian to play for league title BY DAN O'NEARA STAFF WRITER

### VOLLEYBALL

It will be the third meeting between the teams this sca-son. Marian won both regu-lar-season matches, and the teams split in a tournament at Fraser. In a rematch of last year's Catholic League champi-onship match, Farmington Hills Mercy and Birmingham Marian will meet again to determine the 2003 winner determine the 2003 winner tonight. The Mercy Marlins are hop-ing for a different outcome, having lost to the Mustangs a year ago in the A-B tourna-ment tinal, 15-10, 15-50. The match is scheduled for a 7 p.m. start at Madonna University in Livonia. It will be preceded by the C-D cham-pjonship contest at 5:30.

The biggest issue is hoping Mercy isn't happy just getting to the finals like we were last year," Marlins coach Ed Ruhl said.

snid. : "The big arena, the crowd, the whole festivities before-hand were difficult to focus through." Between the C-D and A-B finals, the league introduces

"I think it's always tough to play Marian," Ruhl said. "It's worth two or three points, them just being Marian. That's one of those things I can't coach them past right

now. Mercy advanced to the final by defeating host Madison Heights Bishop Foley (15-5, 15-3) and Pontiac Notre

and Anne Roosevelt and freshman Meredith Doyle were standout players for the



game get to them," Dunilao asid. "The girls showed they have a lot of heart. "The whole season they've been going through a learn-ing process and learning how to win. Now they're winning in different situa-tions. North Farmington's vol-leyball winning streak reached three games Monday when the host Raiders rallied to defeat Lake Orion, 3-15, 16-11, 16-14.

Lake Orion, 3-15, 16-11, 16-14. Conch Gus Dumlao said he thought the Raiders were a little too keyed-up and had too much adrenaline in the

and 14-11 before Brittany Pajewski served the last five points to help raily the Raiders, who are 4-6 in the Oakland Activities Association's Division II. The last couple weeks she has really made a big improvement in her serve

a pressure situation. They already had 14 points, it's



Alex Ciceri and her Harrison teammates defeated Clawson in an GAA volleyball nterreu wa...



improvement in her serv-ing," Dumlao said. "That was

and come through like that." Amy Berke had 11 kills



winning in different situa-tions. "That's really a good thing to see and to know they can use that for other situations, how they dug deep and focused and played with heart." North was shead 5-3 in

The Dragons were up 11-8 and 14-11 before Brittany







every member of the all-divi-sion and all-league teams. Ruhl plans to have his team better prepared for the pre-game hoopla this year. We're going to any some things up and mimic some pressure in practice. The said We're going to try to relax a lot more during the actual fa-tivities and not press or panic about varming up. The Madina lost to the Mustangs sit times last sea-son, including the regional final and Mercy will be hat-thing the Madina mythere as well. The Mariang will be trying to with their third league title in a row.

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