

CC runs to Operation Friendship title

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No matter how talented his team has been, Catholic Central track coach Tony Magni has always put his best team, or best foot, forward at the annual Operation Friendship meet.

This year, Magni's team didn't have the talent his past squads have had. But the Shamrocks were deep enough to come away with the meet title, which pits the eight best teams in the Catholic League against the eight best teams in the Detroit Public School League.

CC won Tuesday's meet with 106 points, while host Detroit Mumford was second with 90, University of Detroit-Jesuit was third with 70, Detroit DePores was fourth with 44 and Detroit Henry Ford was fifth with 37 points.

"A lot of PSL teams don't like to put their top runners in this meet, because they are trying to get ready for the state finals," said Magni, whose team last won the meet in 2001. "We have always looked at it as a tuneup for the state meet and bring everyone. We've always put our top runners in there."

That depth paid off for CC, and the Catholic League in general. The top four teams from the A-B and C-D divisions of the CHSL and the top four from each of the two PSL divisions are invited to the meet.

BOYS TRACK

"Where ever there was a gap, we stuck out kids in," said Magni. "We had three kids in the 1,600, three in the 800 and three in the 3,200 run so some of them were bound to score."

And they did. CC had 12 placers in the meet, going 1-2-3 in the 3,200 run and 1-4-6 in the 1,600 run. Brian Doot (9:58.7), Dan Horgan (10:00.4) and Max Working (10:00.9) swept the top three places in the 3,200 run, while David Lucas (4:34.3), Kevin Mason (4:42.9) and Mike Nienhaus (4:57.0) took the places in the 1,600.

CC also took second in the shot put with Patrick Clark (44-11), the discus with Nick Barrett (133-6) and the 3,200 relay with Kevin Mason, Mike Rossiter, Adam Darnay and Phil Snyder (8:33.9).

Bill Makela was fifth in the 110 hurdles (15.6), Steve Mason was fifth in the 400 run (53.9) and Makela, Steve Mason, Kevin Mason and Zack Zull were third in the 1,600 relay (3:39.7).

"Generally it's between Cass Tech and Mumford and us because we'll put in our teams," said Magni. "If we don't win, they will because we can get more kids in events."

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Lady pros join forces at Country Lanes

A new entry has joined our local family of expert ball fitters and drillers.



Ten Pin Alley
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Area bowlers all been very fortunate to have a highly skilled group of experts in the local pro shops, and this new pro shop is in an old location, opening soon at Country Lanes in Farmington Hills.

If the names Michelle Mullin and Aleta Sill strike a familiar chord, they are the new operators at Jim Hamlin's fine house.

These talented young ladies will have plenty of space to work with and they are currently re-doing the showroom and back work space.

They also bring another dimension to the table as they have had considerable success with their Digital Coach instructional program.

Both Mullin and Sill provide plenty of knowledge about bowling, having both competed on the Professional Women's Bowling Association Tour.

If fact, Aleta was the first woman bowler to top 1 million in career earnings. Ray Kreuter has departed this location for greener pastures in Wall Lake at the new Langan's All-Star Lanes, just opened last year.

Bowlers have a plethora of fine pro shops out there and they are all first class operators who can serve your bowling needs well. With the size and quality of the greater Detroit market, there should be enough business out there for every one of them.

Sunnybrook Lanes in Sterling Heights, while the Wayne-Westland Metro Bowling Association (WWMBA) staged its annual awards and dinner dance at the VFW Hall, located on S. Wayne Road in Westland.

Both associations do a splendid job of serving the bowling community and representing the American Bowling Congress.

The GDBA event was not an awards or dinner function, which is slated for Thursday, June 12, at DeCarlo's Banquet Hall in Warren.

This was an open meeting for delegates from every league to listen to the reports of the committee members, express their views and take part in the voting for the incoming slate of officers.

It is always an open forum under new business and old business.

Current president Jim Lhamon started with his outlook followed by executive secretary Mark Martin with this year's budget and the projected budget for the coming season.

With the announced retirement of the women's secretary, Rose Marsh (effective July 31), Mark Martin will be taking over her former duties, starting Aug. 1.

It is a move toward more efficiency, as both the men's and women's offices will tear down the wall and operate as a single unit, including a single phone line for both organizations. John J. Davis was recognized as Director of the Year and received an engraved plaque.

Parish Men's Invitational league at Westland Bowl carried the high average in the WWMBA with a 228 and received his award.

Sponsor of the Year honors went to Steve Klein, owner of the All-Star Grill, with locations in several local bowling establishments. Steve also happens to be one of the All-Star bowlers himself.

The 31st Annual Mixed Doubles Tournament was held at Westland Bowl in February with the first place honors going to Laura and Darnel Austin with, scoring 1,474.

There were plenty of Honor Score Awards given out during the season with a ring or a watch.

Among these were 18 series of 800 or more, 64 perfect (300) games, 92 scores of 299 (just missed), and 13 for 298 games.

There were another 16 award categories such as Triplicate, Dutch 200, 7-10 split, 700 series, etc. . .

In all, 1,492 such awards were handed out.

The Michigan State Bowling Association recently elected its Hall of Fame class, which includes Gene Stum from the Detroit area, along with Harry Sullins, another local who gained some fame for his Cal Ripken-like iron-man feat of bowling in 239 consecutive pro tournaments.

Midland's Muri F. Bond was the other inductee. The induction ceremonies will be Saturday, June 21, at Grafton Hall in Carleton.

For more information about the MSBA event, call (734) 654-9469.

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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2003-04 GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL REVENUE AND DEBT SERVICE FUND BUDGETS

In conformity with Article VI, Section 6.04 of the City Charter and Section 10 of the Uniform Budget and Accounting Act (MCL 141.430), notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on June 10, 2003, in the Council Chambers, 31555 West Eleven Mile Road. All interested persons will be provided an opportunity to present oral or written comments regarding the following proposed 2003-04 General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Funds, Capital Improvement Fund and Enterprise Fund Budgets, Fiscal 2003-04 budgets and the 2003 Property Tax Rate will be adopted at the Council meeting on June 10, 2003.

2003-04 PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET	
REVENUES	
Property Tax Revenue	\$28,900,000
Grants	185,000
State Shared Revenue	7,033,000
Licenses & Permits	1,083,500
Charges for Goods and Services	2,648,000
Interest Income	600,000
Recreation Fees	2,276,631
Fines & Forfeitures	2,076,000
Contribution From Other Funds	654,540
Appropriation From:	
Designated Fund Balance	2,850,000
Undesignated Fund Balance	322,016
	40,743,087
EXPENDITURES	
General Government & Administration	7,331,622
Boards & Commissions	814,250
District Court	2,521,314
Library	3,050,092
Police Department	14,555,724
Fire Department	4,213,000
Special Services	6,431,170
Public Services	8,075,913
Interfund Transfers	2,850,000
	40,743,087

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed fiscal 2003-04 budget, will be subject of this hearing and is allocated as follows:

General Operating	7.5705
Drain and Capital	0.3916
Debt Within Charter	0.7032
Voted Parks	0.4888
Voted Public Safety	0.0780
Total Proposed	
Fiscal 2003-04 Tax Rate	10.2221

The City has authority to levy this millage through the charter or voter approval.

A copy of this information, the entire proposed budget and additional background materials are available for public inspection starting on May 12, 2003, at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 31555 W. 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, and on May 12, 2003 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays; at the Farmington Hills Branch Library, 32757 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday; also at the Farmington Branch Library, 23500 Liberty Street, Farmington, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday.

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