

McKnight earns MIAA honor

Sulek repeats as NAIA basketball all-star

Mark Sulek of Orchard Lake St. Mary's is one of four repeaters to the annual NAIA District 23 all-star men's college basketball team.

A 6-foot-7 junior, Sulek finished the 1981-82 season ranked sixth in the NAIA individual rebounding ratings with a 13.6 average. The Eagle forward also averaged 17 points per game.

The three other repeaters to this year's eight-man team include Jerome Jones of Siena Heights, Louis O'Neal from Saginaw Valley State and Reno Taylor from Spring Arbor.

Ted Hauptman (Hillsdale), Edgar Merchant (Shaw College), Terry Mann (Northwood Institute), Rob Fodor (Hillsdale), Lawrence Miller (Siena Heights) and Ullyses Brown (U-M Dearborn) were also selected as all stars.

● **MIAA ALL-STARS**
Pete McKnight of Lathrup Village is a first-team Michigan Independent Athletic Association (MIAA) all star for

the second straight year.

McKnight, a 6-foot guard, averaged 15.8 points this season for Albion College. He is joined on the first team by Scott Benson (Hope), Bruce Capel (Calvin), Matt Neil (Hope), Kerry Sarden (Olivet) and John Schelske (Kalamazoo).

McKnight was one of 10 MIAA players nominated for most valuable player honors. Hope College won the MIAA title, its first since the 1957-58 season.

● **HALF-MARATHON RUN**
The West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Department and Henry Ford Hospital are sponsoring the West Bloomfield Half-Marathon Run 12:30 p.m. April 4.

The Half-Marathon Run begins and ends at West Bloomfield High School. The well-marked course includes 90 percent pavement and 10 percent dirt or gravel. Water and Gatorade will be available at two-mile intervals.

Entrants should report to the Race

sport shorts

Committee at West Bloomfield High School, 4925 Orchard Lake Road, between 11:15 a.m. and noon to pick up race packets. There is an \$9 entry fee which must be received by the race committee by 5 p.m. March 29.

There will be trophies awarded in eight different divisions, including Juniors (under 18); Open (men 18-29); Sub-Masters (men 30-39); Masters (men 40-49); Veterans (men 50 and up); Women Open (29 and under); Women Sub-Masters (30-39); Women Masters (40 and up).

For further registration information, call 334-5660.

● **RUNNING CLINICS**
Charlie Blanchard, a Birmingham resident who recently competed in the World Ironman Triathlon in Hawaii, will conduct a series of free running clinics.

The clinics, to be held at the Eastland, Northland and Westland shopping centers, will help runners prepare for spring and enable them to register for the Triple Crown of Twilight Fun Runs at those malls later in the month.

The clinic dates are March 15, 16 and 18 and will be held from 7-8 p.m. each day. Blanchard will supervise the five-kilometer (3.1 mile) races to be held at Eastland (March 21), Westland (March

28) and Northland (April 4).

For more information about the Triple Crown, call 371-1501 or 964-5678.

● **TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT**
The Midwest Closed Table Tennis Tournament, sanctioned by the United States Table Tennis Association, was recently held at Pontiac Central High School.

Mike Veillette of Rochester was a semifinalist in the Open Division, and he won the Over 1900 (rating) Division. Deuck Cha of Southfield won the Under 1650 Division, and was runner up in the Under 1900 Division.

Gunther Schroeder (Under 1900 Division) of Southfield; Louis Budi (Under 1650) of Farmington Hills; and Richard Glonda (Under 1350) of Farmington Hills were other area placers.

The next scheduled tournament is March 20 in Adrian. The Farmington YMCA will host a tournament on March 21.

Birmingham's Barmum Junior High School is open to the public for general table tennis play at 7 p.m. on Thursdays.

● **ON THE FLY**
The Midwest Fly Fishing Exposition will be March 27-28 at the Southfield Civic Center.

Approximately 2,200 fly fishing enthusiasts from across North America are expected to attend the exposition.

The exposition will provide a forum to meet bamboo fly rod makers; manufacturers and distributors of fly-tying supplies and related equipment; collectors and dealers of antique fly fishing tackle; rod builders; and fly fishing club and conservation organization representatives.

The Southfield Civic Center is located at 26000 Evergreen, between 10 and 11 mile roads. Admission is \$3 for adults, and will start each morning at 10:00.

Southfield still No. 1; St. Mary's moves up

Southfield High School, the No. 1 rated team in the Observer & Eccentric basketball rankings, held on to the spot it is so familiar with Monday night as coach Greg Sitwka's Blue Jays defeated North Farmington, 75-57.

The Blue Jays are 20-1 this season, with their lone loss to the state's top-ranked Highland Park. North Farmington, the O&E's seventh-ranked team, finished the season with a 14-7 record.

Orchard Lake St. Mary's, the top rated Class C team in the state, edged out Birmingham Brother Rice for the No. 2 spot this week.

The Eagles, 18-3 under coach Bob Shoemaker, defeated Redford St. Mary's in the opening round of the districts, 63-55.

Brother Rice, defeated Friday night by Antoine Joubert and Detroit Southwestern, was successful its district opener Monday.

The Warriors, 16-5 overall, defeated Birmingham Groves, 61-48.

Auburn Heights Avondale, which has been in the fourth spot all season, is 15-1, and ranked ninth in some Class B state polls. The Yellowjackets played Holly Wednesday night in the Oxford District.

Southfield-Lathrup, which will host

one of the state's most competitive regionals, is 15-5. The Chargers, who played Royal Oak Kimball Wednesday in the Kimball District, are ranked fifth in the O&E poll.

The O&E's sixth-ranked team, Detroit Country Day School, opens the district season tonight at Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

The O&E poll includes teams in the coverage areas of Birmingham-Bloomfield, Farmington, Rochester, Southfield, Troy and West Bloomfield.

The O&E rankings are compiled after polling from staff members Marty Budner, Tom Baer and Jim Hughes. Votes are tabulated on a 1-7 basis, with the top-rated team getting seven points, the No. 2 team getting six points, etc. The following is the results of the voting, with total points in parentheses.

CAGE RANKINGS

1. Southfield (21)
2. Orchard Lake St. Mary's (17)
3. Birmingham Brother Rice (16)
4. Auburn Heights Avondale (11)
5. Southfield-Lathrup (10)
6. Detroit Country Day (6)
7. North Farmington (3)

Pioneer women advance to Division II quarterfinals

The Oakland University women's basketball team captured the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Regional Saturday afternoon with a narrow 77-75 victory over Northern Kentucky.

The win propelled the Pioneers into quarterfinal action at Oakland University Saturday against Chapman College from California. Tip-off time is scheduled for 2 p.m. Chapman, 23-4, defeated Northeast Missouri State University, 49-46.

The Pioneers are 26-3 overall, and the No. 2-ranked team in the Division II women's basketball poll. Chapman is ranked sixth.

The winner of Saturday's game will advance to the semifinals March 18 in Springfield, Mass. The championship

game will take place in Springfield March 20.

Both teams rallied to win their respective regional titles. Chapman was down by five with two minutes left before it pulled out the three-point win. Oakland University was down by four with eight minutes to go before the Pioneers won by two.

Linda Krawford, the Pioneers' 5-11 junior forward from Detroit Lutheran West, scored a game-high 30 points for coach Duwayne Jones' team. Teresa Vondrasek, a 5-10 junior from Owosso, scored 19 points.

Barb Hawkins led Northern Kentucky with 22 points, and Debbie Elwer and Janet Brungs each scored 14.

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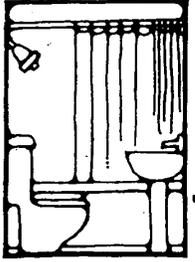
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