

Area rich in pitching talent

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state Class A runner-up Garden City (7-2) and Catholic A-B Division champion Farmington Hills Mercy (1-0).

She had three no-hitters this season, while leading the state-ranked Patriots to Western Lakes Activities Association crown, Lakes Division title and the Aulian Tournament crown.

The All-Western Lakes pick, currently pitching for Kern's of Grand Rapids in the Hall of Fame Tournament in Oklahoma City, Okla., has received a softball scholarship to Henry Ford Community College.

Kelly Holmes, pitcher, Canton: For a girl who was only "experimenting" on the mound, according to coach Jim Arnold, Holmes did quite well for herself. She was 10-3 this spring with a 0.22 ERA and 152 strikeouts in 127 innings. With two years of eligibility remaining, the sophomore already has made an impact on Canton's record book, recording more than 300 strikeouts on the varsity. As a batter, Holmes hit .293, with 13 RBI and 18 runs scored.

"She was experimenting this year with new pitches," Arnold said. "She didn't hit at all last year, but I got her in the lineup this year and she takes on challenges well."

Cerolin Shanks, infielder, Garden City: She might not be up in the national during her next four years at Western Michigan, but Patterson will no doubt remember her as one of Garden City's all-time best infielders. Shanks committed only two errors her senior year, giving her a .982 fielding percentage. She had 41 strikeouts and 71 assists at shortstop.

As the Cougar's leadoff hitter, Shanks set school season records with 50 hits, 51 runs and 34 stolen bases. She batted .425 for the year. A member of the national honor society with a 3.6 grade point average, Shanks was the Northwest Suburban League's most valuable player, and a Class A first team choice. She leaves Garden City with career records for runs scored (129) and most hits (110).

"Her blend of determination and hustle made her unique, and one of the premier shortstops in the state," Patterson said. "She was the catalyst of our team. When she played well offensively, we were tough to beat. Her knowledge of the game was tremendous."



Krystal Matecic
Garden City

Krystal Matecic, infielder, Garden City: Matecic didn't lose in 10 pitching decisions, but her biggest contribution came as a hitter. She batted .391, with a team-high nine doubles and 44 RBI. Matecic scored 41 doubles, slugged two home runs and had six triples among her 45 hits. She is Garden City's all-time leader with 20 career triples.

As a pitcher, she had a 0.60 ERA with 88 strikeouts in 58 innings. She is headed to Wayne State with an academic merit scholarship. (She plans to play softball.)

"Krystal is the finest power hitter I've coached at Garden City," Patterson said. "It was a real luxury to know that with runners in scoring position and Krystal at bat, there was a great chance that we would score some runs."

Dawn Warner, infielder, Franklin: The junior second baseman was the team's catalyst both offensively and defensively.

She batted over .300 as the Patriots' lead-off hitter, but more importantly was the team's defensive leader. "One of the top infielders around," said rival Garden City coach Barry Patterson said. "She's very smooth, makes everything look easy."

Warner made the All-State Class A (first team), All-Region and All-State squads. She was also selected to the All-Western Lakes team.

Warner returns this fall as Franklin's all-time leading scorer in basketball. The guard is considered one of the state's top returning seniors.



Dawn Warner
Franklin



Rhonda Saunders
Clarenceville

Kim Supron, catcher, Ladywood: A standout defensively, Supron allowed only three passed balls and threw out 11 of 19 potential base stealers. She also supplied power as a hitter, batting .394 with three home runs, nine doubles, five triples and 38 RBI. Supron plans to continue her career at Madonna University next season.

"She was the heart and soul of the team and will be a tough person to replace," coach Kim Linenger said. "She is one of the most dedicated athletes ever to work through Ladywood and has a great attitude."

Karen Olack, catcher, John Glenn: Only a junior, Olack makes this her second straight season as a member of the first team. Her team's Most Valuable Player, Olack batted .350, scored 23 runs and had 29 hits, including 10 doubles. She drove in 20 runs and on defense had 25 putouts and 19 assists. According to coach Linda Jemmer, Olack's numbers could have been better but opposing teams decided to pitch around Glenn's big hitter.

"Last year, teams didn't know her; this year, they didn't give her much to hit," Jemmer said. "Defensively, she was outstanding. She thinks for next year, I want her to be more of a leader and stay as consistent as she has been. She has a great attitude."

Kathleen Berigan, outfielder, Mercy: Speed was one of Berigan's best assets. The guard is considered one of the state's top returning seniors.

all-area softball

Catholic choice, Berigan batted .375, with a .683 on-base percentage as Mercy's lead-off hitter. She scored 41 runs, had 21 RBI and nine sacrifice flies. Berigan also was a standout in center field, finishing with a .923 fielding percentage.

"Kathleen is a great example for the younger players," said Brown of the All-State pick. "She is very smart and knows her quickness. She has amazing speed, gets on base and produces runs."

Dana Botwick, outfielder, N. Farmington: The Raiders' leadoff hitter batted .479 with 34 hits and 34 runs scored. Botwick also hit 13 bases, had 16 RBI, and more importantly, committed no errors in the outfield. She had 19 putouts and three assists for the season. Botwick, who struck out only three times in 71 at bats as a senior, was a three-year varsity starter.

"I wish I had nine of them like Dana," coach Dave Brubaker said. "She's a great team leader and goes 100 percent all the time."

Rhonda Saunders, all-around, Clarenceville: Saunders closed out her career at Livonia Clarenceville in a memorable way, both on the mound and at the plate. The senior earned every pitching decision during Clarenceville's 17-4 campaign, leading the Trojans to a first division title since 1979. She struck out 168 batters in 126 innings and owned a 1.35 ERA.

Saunders was even more impressive at the plate, hitting .680 with 34 hits, 40 runs scored, 27 RBI and 18 stolen bases. She had an incredible .839 on-base percentage.

"I don't want to short-change the rest of the team, but this girl was our team for the most part," coach Wendy Koehn said. "Obviously, she was our ace; if she started it off for us, we scored. She was everything, offensively, defensively and spiritually. As a whole ballplayer, she won't be replaced for a few years."

MSHL in 9th season

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

The Metro Summer Hockey League dropped the puck for the start of its ninth season last week, and the off-season circuit will again feature some of the area's top amateur talent.

Two of the top players will be Mike Krygier of West Bloomfield and Phil Berger of Dearborn. Krygier, formerly of Farmington, plays for the University of Connecticut, and Berger stars for the Greensboro (N.C.) Thunderbirds in the East Coast Hockey League. He was one of the leading scorers in the ECHL playoffs.

The Overland players in the league include a pair of Western Michigan University youngsters, Joe Bennett of Plymouth and J.P. LaRoche of Canton. Bennett, fittingly, will play for the Broncos in the MSHL and LaRoche the Wildcats.

OTHER AREA players in summer competition are Livonia's Mike Kneiding and Scott Lock of the Lakeland (Mich.) Jets, Colin Gallagher, Bob Baffey and Paul Schloss. Kneiding attended Churchill High School, and Lock went to River Catholic. Central Gallagher played last season for Churchill, Baffey for Franklin High and Schloss for CC. Gallagher and Baffey are 1991 graduates, while Schloss has a year of high school remaining.

Brothers and former CC stars Jim and Jesse Huberschip of Redford will be in the MSHL, playing for the Huskies. Following his high school career, Jim played for the Junior A Michigan Magics last season, and Jesse played his final year with the Shamrocks.

Dan Phelps, a member of the Eastern Michigan University club team, returns to the MSHL and has played in the league for all but one of the nine seasons. Games will be played Sunday through Wednesday nights at the Plymouth Ice Arena and Thursday nights at the Westland Arena.

SUNDAY ACTION offers a triple-header between 6 and 10:30 p.m. Game times are 6:30 and 8 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, 8 p.m. Tuesday, 8:30 and 10 p.m. Thursday. Admission will be \$1.

The regular season ends Monday, July 29, and the playoffs start July 30. The championship game will be played at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, in the Plymouth facility. In other hockey news, A.J. Baker, founder and commissioner of the MSHL, has been named head coach for the Dearborn Heights-based Michigan Nationals, a Junior A team formerly known as the Magic.

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PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT

DATE: JULY 18, 1991

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall
31555 Eleven Mile Road
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48336

ITEM: Zoning Text Amendment 7, 1991

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Farmington Hills Planning Commission will give formal consideration to a proposed text amendment of the Farmington Hills City Code, Chapter 34, Zoning Chapter, which amendment will amend Section 34-52. A summary of said amendment is as follows:

- Change subparagraph (1), Section 34-52, Principal Uses Permitted in the RA Districts, to read as follows:
 - Farm subject to the following:
 - Buildings to house animals such as dairy and/or beef cattle, sheep, goats or pigs shall not be located within two hundred (200) feet of any property line.
 - Buildings to house animals such as fowl or rabbits shall not be located within seventy-five (75) feet of any property line.

Any person who is interested in this amendment is invited to attend and participate in the public hearing discussion. Complete Zoning Chapter and Text are available for purchase and/or inspection during regular business hours at the Planning Department.

DALE A. COUNTEGAN, Director
Planning & Community Development
City of Farmington Hills

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Bill Parker outdoors Fight champ toys with gutsy writer

MICHAEL NUNN and I have something in common — we've both been beat up by James "Lights Out" Toney. Fortunately, my beating didn't even compare to the one Toney administered to Nunn on May 10 in Davenport, Iowa, when he won the International Boxing Federation's world middleweight championship with an 11th round KO over the former champ.

Toney trains at the CMI Health and Tennis Club in Southfield. CMI members have the opportunity to spar a round or two with the champ (when he's not training for an upcoming title fight). Not only is it a good workout, but Toney provides tips on training and self defense.

My colleagues Jim Toth, Marty Budner and I thought it would make an interesting first-person story to get in the ring with the champ. Because I had done some amateur boxing as a youngster, I got the assignment.

Toney is no Muhammad Ali. He doesn't float like a butterfly or sting like a bee. He stalks like a tiger and like a tree. He has the killer instinct of an Al Capone, which resulted in the demise of Nunn. Once Toney sensed Nunn was hurt, he dialed in on the helpless fighter and unleashed a barrage of punches that left the home-town boy stung over the ropes like a string of sausage at the butcher shop.

I BEGAN TO REALIZE I was in trouble as I was changing clothes. I'd dug out my old boxing shoes — which, like myself, hadn't seen the inside of a ring for a good 15 years — the night before. When I began lacing them up I had to try three different times because I kept missing the eyelets.

My life began to flash before my eyes as I trudged begrudgingly down the long narrow hallway that led to the boxing gym.

As I awaited my opportunity I thought about Nunn and wondered if this was going to be my final resting place? When one of Toney's sparring partners wound up flat on his back after receiving a jarring left hook from the champ I seriously questioned my sanity.

I was bored with two different sparring partners for better than 45 minutes, resting only for a minute while the human punching bags switched places in the ring. "At least he'd be worn out by the time I entered the ring," I thought.

I bent slowly and stepped through the ropes as my advice my father gave me years ago echoed in my ears. "Keep your hands up."

THE ROUND BEGAN and I circled left. Then right. Then left. I moved in to mix it up with the champ, but my fancy footwork left Toney undaunted. "Come on," he taunted, as he relaxed in the corner with his arms draped over the top ropes.

"OK," I thought. "He asked for it." I threw a solid right to the body, but the champ didn't even flinch. Another bodyshot was followed by a left hook that Toney blocked before the punch was halfway to the target. At least I made him move on that one.

Toney moved to the center of the ring, then backed into a corner. Jab . . . jab . . . jab, right cross, left hook. Miss . . . miss . . . miss, miss, miss.

I wondered if I looked as foolish as I felt. Toney circled to my right and I followed like a lost puppy. Suddenly, a stiff jab landed with a CRASH . . . flush on my nose. I never even saw it coming, but it certainly caught my attention.

You want reflexes? This guy could hand you a handkerchief before you sneezed.

THE CHAMP BACKED to the ropes once again and dropped his hands to his side. I saw an opening and moved in for the kill.

CRASH. Another left to my nose and the champ was gone. But I quickly found him . . . relaxing on the ropes in the opposite corner.

By now I was gasping for air and wondered how much longer a three-minute round could last. It seemed like we'd been in here for an hour.

I moved toward Toney but again he caught me with a stiff left on my way in.

As my movement slowed to a snail's pace, I tried to hold my own. My own breath that is, but I was gasping like a wounded animal.

"One minute," said Toney's trainer, Bill Miller.

"One minute," I thought. "I'll never make it."

When the one minute or 30-second call is made, it's usually a notice for the fighter to give it all he has for the final seconds of the fight.

"Uh, oh. Should I fake extreme fatigue, fall over and call it quits," I wondered.

MEMORIES OF NUNN draped over the ropes flashed through my mind. If it's going to end, this will be it.

Toney circled left and tapped me on top of the head. Then he tapped me on top of the head again . . . and again . . . and again. I felt like a Tonka Truck.

I had time for one last combination but Toney's icy-slick reflexes flicked my punches away before I let them loose.

"TIME," yelled Miller.

I fell to the ropes as the last ounce of energy trickled from arms and legs. At least my head was still intact and I was (barely) still on my feet.

Toney? He exited the ring and started doing exercises. His workout had just begun.

NFWB chases title

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In 1982, Pitcher's club, featuring Dan Gabriel (Walled Lake Western) and Paul Oster (Kalamazoo Henry Hills), both now in the minor leagues, won the National Amateur Baseball Federation's crown.

IN 1985, Westland Federation captured the American Amateur Baseball Congress World Series. That team featured such players as Rick Tavormina (University of Detroit Mercy), Bill Barber, and Ron Way (now in the Pittsburgh Pirates chain).

Westland Federation did it again in 1987 with the likes of Catholic Central's Kevon Rogers and Leo Hutchinson, both playing at Eastern Michigan, along with Kelly O'Neal (Detroit Tigers' chain) and Blaise Isley (New York Yankees chain).

The Fourth of July tourney, dedicated to the memory of former Western Federation assistant Bob Bird, will feature four games each day — 9:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. — both at John Glenn and Plymouth Stadiums. There will also be one game at 9:30 a.m. each day at Redford's Capitol Park; followed by a 1 p.m. start Thursday, a 4 p.m. start Friday and a 9:30 a.m. start Saturday at Redford's Rotary Park.

Among the other invitees will be four Ohio teams: Cincinnati Midland, six-time AABC champs; Elder-West, Cincinnati Nuckels and Lorain Tipse Insurance.

Representing Baltimore, Md. are the Yankees-Rebels. They'll be joined by the Windsor, Ontario Titans and Flint Grass.

The Central Macomb Black Sox, featuring guests on an exchange trip from the Soviet Union, are also entered.

CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS CITY COUNCIL PETITIONS

PETITIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 31555 ELEVEN MILE ROAD, IF YOU PLAN TO SEEK ONE OF FOUR SEATS FOR COUNCIL MEMBER ON THE FARMINGTON HILLS CITY COUNCIL. PETITIONS MAY BE REQUESTED FROM 8:30 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. ALL CANDIDATES WHO QUALIFY WILL BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT.

THE DEADLINE FOR FILING PETITIONS IS 4:00 P.M. SHARP, AUGUST 27, 1991.

THERE IS NO PRIMARY ELECTION. VOTERS WILL ELECT FOUR COUNCIL PERSONS FOR REGULAR TERMS ON A NON-PARTISAN BALLOT AT THE REGULAR GENERAL CITY ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1991.

CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS:

- MUST BE A DULY REGISTERED ELECTOR OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS.
- MUST SUBMIT PETITIONS SIGNED BY AT LEAST 123 AND NOT MORE THAN 246 QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTORS BY 4:00 P.M. ON AUGUST 27, 1991.
- MUST SUBMIT TWO AFFIDAVITS OF IDENTITY OF CANDIDATES FILING NOMINATING PETITIONS (AVAILABLE AT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE).
- MUST SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT AS TO NAME CHANGE (IF APPLICABLE).

CURRENT COUNCIL MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE IN 1991 ARE NANCY BATES, JEAN FOX, LAWRENCE LICHTMAN AND TERRY SEVER.

KATHRYN A. DORNAN, City Clerk

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CITY OF FARMINGTON

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT IMPROVEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

- That the Council of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, has tentatively declared its intention to make the following improvement:
 - Resurfacing the parking lot, bury the power lines, install curbs and landscaping in City parking lot located between Farmington Road and Grand River and State Street and the Library (hereafter referred to as State Street Lot).
- That plans and specifications showing the aforesaid improvement and the location thereof and an estimate of \$57,000.00 as the cost thereof are on file with the City Clerk for public examination.
- That the City Council has tentatively designated the following special assessment district against which the cost of 100 percent of said improvement is to be assessed, being \$57,000.00, to-wit:

Property Description:	20-23-27-155-028	20-23-28-278-006
20-23-27-155-025	20-23-28-278-012	20-23-27-155-024
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20-23-27-155-021	20-23-28-278-016	20-23-27-155-021

all located in the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan.

- That the City Council will meet in the City Hall, 23600 Liberty, Farmington, Michigan, on the 15th day of July, 1991, at eight o'clock P.M., Daylight Saving Time, to hear and consider any objections to the improvement.
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- That the City Council approves the making of the improvements, a special assessment may be levied against properties that benefit from the improvements. Act 186 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1979, as amended, provides that the special assessment must be paid by the owner of the property. The City Clerk will confirm the special assessment roll before the Michigan Tax Tribunal may acquire jurisdiction of any dispute involving the special assessment. The hearing for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll will be held, if at all, at some time in the future pursuant to law given as required by law. Appearance and protest at such hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the special assessment, or may protest the special assessment by letter filed with the City Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing, in which case appearance in person is not required.

THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

JOSEPHINE M. BUSHEY, City Clerk

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