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Marlins notch victory

armington Hills Mercy rebounded from a volleyball loss to Birmingham Marian with a two-game victory Thursday over visiting Harper Woods Regina, 18-3 and 5-12.

The Marlins, 1-1 in the Central Division of the Catholic League and 12-4 overall, were led by senior setter Jill Jarosz and senior middle hitter

Angela Assad.

Jarosz had only four errors in 45 sets, which included 15 kill sets. Assad had 11 kills out of 19

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"(Jarosz) did a grent job leading the team," Mercy conch Peggy Spengler said. "She's a good determiner as to how well we're going to do. Every time (Assac) hit the ball it seemed to find the floor."

floor." Senior outside hitter Kristina Kudelko added six kills (15 hits), and junior Jill Higgins "anapped out of a slump" with four kills.

Falcon swimmers win

armington's boys swim team won its third straight dual meet without a loss Thursday, 117-65 over host Westland John Glonn.
Jon Reed won two events — the 200-yard free-style (1:57.02) and the 500 freestyle (6:50.372) — and helped the Falcons win the 400 freestyle relay. Mike Enbewr, Chris Frump and Scott Brown combined with Reed to post a 3:42.71 relay time. Frump alse teamed with Don Boyer, Stew Seanio and Craig Mathie to win the 200 freestyle relay in 1:39.86

1:39.66 g. Million and Boyer also had individual victories. Brown won the 50 freestyle (23.76), Scanie ha butterfly (1:02.7) and Boyer the 100 freestyle (52.11).

Farmington also had a winner in the breatstroke in which Dan Belenger posted a 1:38.14 time.

Glenn's Matt Martin won the individual medley (202.15) and backstroke (56.14) and helped the Rockets win the medley relay (1:50.73).

North gymnasts perfect

orth Farmington's gymnastics team stayed undefeated Thursday with a 124.78 to 124.2 victory over host Northville.

The Raiders are 5-0 overall.

Michele Trait aemed the ell-around title with 32.8 points, taking first place on the bars (8.55) and first on the floor (8.7).

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Jenny Japenga took second place in the vault (8.15), and Elyse Turner placed third in the vault (8.00) and third on the beam (8.35).
The Raiders on Tuesday beat visiting Westland John Glenn 117.2 to 114.3.
Tasi wen both the bars (8.1) and the floor (8.3) and took third on the vault (8.075). Japenga was first on the vault (8.35) and second on the beam (7.75).
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Turner took third on the beam (7.6), bars (7.3) and floor (8.175).

League wrestling starts

armington wrestling teams were unsuccessful in their first Western Lakes Activities

Association dual meets Thursday,
North Farmington had the most winners (five)
in its loss to Westland John Glenn.
1vo Gasparate (103), Mark McDonald (130) and
Jeff Light (162) recorded pins, and Dave Orow
(125) and Mark Miller won by decision.
Mark Lesporance (140) pinned Ron Hassell at
182 in Farmington Hills Harrison's 68-13 loss to
visiting Walled Lake Western.
Brian Atkinson (103) blanked Andy Anderson
4-0, and Darnell Premier (135) defeated Eric
Heinz 11-1.
Parmington had two winners in its 61-12 loss to
visiting Plymouth Salem. Mike Prough (140)
pinned Stave Hughes in 4:31, and Mark Makon
(145) pinned Aaron Lapinaki in 51 seconds.

Shamrocks split duals

orthville won every event Thursday and best visiting Redford Catholic Central 62-31 in a non-league boys awimming meet. The Mustangs have a five-lane pool instead of six, so only the top three places scored, according to CC coach Stuart Mair.

The Shamrocks, who had soveral swimmers take close seconds, fell to 2-2 overall. James Leslie was the only Shamrock to record a state-qualifying time, placing second in the 500-yard freestyle in 449.2.

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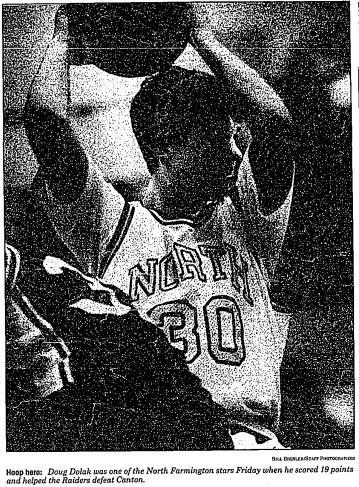
CC led 90-82 heading into the 400-yard freestyle relay. But Paul Magoulic, one of the scheduled swimmers on CC's top relay, came up sick and that forced his foursome to be disqualified.

CC's other top relay in the 400 freestyle Risins Green, Derek Raunells, Greg Tracey and Mark West) placed second in 352.5 to earn four points.

Magoulic was healthy enough earlier in the meet to anchor the 200 freestyle relay team that took first place in 158. Other members of the team were Steve Reinke, Brian Sosnowski and John Zarow.

Relinke, Leslie and Greene were individual winners. Reinke won the 200 freestyle (154.7), Leslie took first in the 200 individual medley (2:03.3) and Greene wen the 500 freestyle (5:17.4).

Recharged Raiders defy Chiefs



league play Friday night with an inspiring basketball victory over Plymouth Canton, 59-54.

By Dan O'Meara Stayy Writer



As teams often do when they lose a key player, North Farmington has pulled together to evercome a season-ending knee.

The Raiders used a greater, allicound team effort Friday night to defect visiting Plymouth Canton 59-54 in the first Western Lakes Activities Association basketball game.

North (3-2) has won its last two-games since losing Lord, the leading rehounder and main inside scoring; threat, in late December.

A host of players picked up the slack on the boards Friday, especially the defensive glass, and the Raiders had good ball movement and were patient on offense.

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Guards Doug Dolak and John Pen-nala carried the scoring load with 19 and 17 points, respectively. Evan Ellis added eight and Todd Anderson

"I thought we played as well as we've played this year as far as executing the offense," North coach Tom Negoshian said. "I couldn't ask for any more. Dolak made some unbelieveable decisions down the stretch.

"It's a big win for us with every-thing that's happened. But it's just the start of the season; we can't be too crazy."

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Canton led 30-28 at halftime following a late first-half surge, and the Chiefs made another run in the second half before falling out of contention in the last two minutes.
The loss dropped Canton to 1-5.
Matt Paupore, who made all 12 free throws, scored 23 points, and Bryan Whittle got nine of his 15 in the fourth quarter.
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"We just have to get a win and that will help us," said Canton assistant coach Charlie Paye, who replaced all-ing head coach Dave Van Wagoner. "The kids need to get some confidence. If we can get one win, we'll be on our way because I think we have too much ability on this team to stay down too long."

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Dolak, who matched his career high with his 19 points, made nine of 14 free throws to lead North at the line,

4th-quarter surge lifts Falcons to victory

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Northville was in command for the better part of three quarters and enjoyed a 10-point lead with less than sight minutes to play. But the host Falcons turned up the intensity on defense, diamantling the Mustangs offense, and escaped with a 64-60 victory in the Western Lakes opener for both teams.

"Our defense really stepped it up," said Falcons coach Denny Mikel.

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Menser triggered the comeback, combining for 19 of the team's 24 fourth-quarter points. Lewis finished with 21 points and six robounds. Menser scored 19. Senior Matt April added 10 points and was the catalyst of the Falcons press.

Todd Rabourn scored 17 to lead Northville (6-2).
Farmington is now 3-2 on the season.

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our Calvin Pruitt (14 points) fouled
out with four minutes left, falls to 0-5.

It was the Western Lakes opener for both teams.

Adam McCarthy (16 points), Ron Thompson (14), Christian Emert (12) and Erle Leaf (11) led the Vikings. The Viking connected on 18 of 28 free

throws.

For Harrison, Don Bryant scored 13 points and selzed 13 rebounds. Ryan Cahill added 10 points.

MRICE 51, DELASALLE 50: It appeared the Warriors had lost their touch.

touch.
Hosting Warren DeLaSalle Friday in
a Catholic League Central Division basketball action, Birmingham Brother
Rice found itself in the hole early, tralling 14-0 late in the first quarter and 204 midway through the second. But after
posting a dismai 7-of-27 shooting per-

formance in the first half, the Warriors rebounded to earn a 51-50 overtime victory over the Pilote and improve to 2-0 in the league.

Brian Kalezynski dumped in seven of his team-high 19 points in the third quarter as the Warriors tied the game at 40-40 with a 23-14 secoring advantage in the quarter. Regulation ended with the game even at 45-45 before the Warriors iced the victory by outseoring the visitors 6-5 in overtime. Rice rallled around a 14-6-25 shootling performance after the halftime break.

Kalezynski canned a 12-foot jumper with seven seconda remaining in OT to secure the win for the Warriors.

D.J MacAloon and Willis Marshall added 10 points each for Brother Rice, which improved to 5-2 on the year.

Madonna topples district champ Aquinas

By C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITER

There was no need for so much drama.
Sure, it made the game exciting — Stephanic
Crelley stepping to the free throw line, no time left
on the clock, shooting a one-and-one with the game

tited.

Crelley, a 5-11 sophomore forward, knocked down both to lift Madonna University to a 77-75 triumph Thursday over visiting Aquinas College in what could easily be called the Lady Crusaders' biggest win in team history.

Aquinas came into this NAIA District 23 season-opener for both teams as the defending district champion. Madonna didn't even make the playoffs last year.

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Mith consecutive road games at Siena Heights

Statuday, Spring Arbor Thursday and TriState (Ind.) University this Saturday, it was pivotat the Crussders get off to a good start.

They did. But they left the Saints a lot of open
ters.

"We had so many opportunities," said Madonna coach Bill Potter. "But once we got into overtime, I thought we had a good shot. It's just a feeling. This team is real confident going into overtime." Neither team was ever in command. The biggest lead of the game was six points, and that came with 13:40 left in the first half when Aquinas' Kim Schneider and Kris Sneider drilled three-pointers, making it 14:8.

It was fitting the game was finally decided at the free throw line. Indeed, that's what won it for the Crusaders: They were 29-0f-34 from the stripe to 10-of-13 for Aquinas. By game's end, the Saints had leat three starters to fouls, including their All-American center, Symantha Reenders.

The pivotal point — or at least the first one — came with 5½ minutes left in regulation. The situation was not good for Madonna; Sue Robak had nailed a triple faquinas was 11-of-20 from three-point range to Madonna's 4-of-10) to give the Saints a 60-55 lead.

That's when the Crusader defense took over.

holding Aquinas scoreless for more than five min-utes. Five different players scored for Madonna during that stretch to complete the reversal, giving the Crusaders a 65-60 lead with just 33 seconds

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Snelder, who took control when Reenders drew
her fourth foul with 10:26 left in regulation, come
up with a pair of big plays to keep Aquinas' hopes

First she scored easily on a layup with 19 seconds to play to trim the deficit to three, then after Madenna's Stephanie Niebauer missed the front end of a one-and-one — Sneider rebounded teammate Kelly McEnhill's errant three-pointer, scored and was fouled by Kim Kibbey with six-seconds left. Sneider converted the free throw, forcing OT.

Madenna still had plenty of chances to put the Saints away, but couldn't do it. A minute into dver-

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