

# Blazers regroup, overcome Marlins

It took awhile Monday night for the Livonia Ladywood volleyball team to get comfortable, but the Blazers adjusted in time to beat visiting Farmington Hills Mercy, 13-15, 16-8, 16-7.

The win improved Ladywood to 3-0 in the Catholic League Central Division and 8-1-1 overall. Mercy is 1-2 in the Central Division.

Ladywood coach Tom Testers said he's experimenting with a new lineup that should help take advantage of his strengths.

"To beat some of the best teams, we're going to have to do different things," Testers said. "Our new lineup gives us a different look each time we rotate."

Testers said the lineup helps to get three of Ladywood's tallest hitters — Liz Gunn, Mary Jo Kelly and Tara Overalls — in better position but all the Blazers seemed to benefit after falling behind 13-8 in Game 1.

Ladywood scored five straight points to force a 15-13 tie before Mercy scored the deciding points for a 1-0 lead in games.

The Blazers prevailed in games 2 and 3, which were closer than the scores indicated, according to Mercy coach Peggy Spengler.

"It was one heckuva match. It's fun to battle Ladywood once in awhile," Spengler said. "The girls played great, came out fighting right from the start. We still had a lot of rotations (in the second and third games)."

Kelly had 11 kills in 27 attempts with only two errors while senior Andrea Putti had seven kills, one block and only two errors to go with a pair of service aces.

Overalls contributed five kills and two blocks. Valerie Adzima led Ladywood with four aces and Kristy Walker had nine digs.

Mercy's top hitter was Kristina Kudelko, who had eight kills in the first game and 16 overall. She also had three service aces. Setter Jill Jarosz had 24 sets to kills and five kills. The Marlins served 98 percent and Christians Grant had 20 hits in three games.

Meghan O'Brien finished with a team-high four aces.

Mercy played in the Kalamazoo Sportswear Invitational, hosted by Portage Northern, over the weekend.

The Marlins went undefeated against Davison, Kalamazoo Loy Norrix and Concord in pool play. The Marlins then split with Comstock before losing to Lakeview (6-15, 7-15) and Temperance-Bedford (15-13, 8-15, 11-15).

Spengler said freshman Heather Grieg, called up to the varsity for the tournament, served at 100 percent with four aces and two kills.

"We took her as insurance but she did a great job and worked real hard," Spengler said.

Kudelko added 10 aces and Jarosz also played consistently, Spengler said.

# Lakers best in tourney

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West Bloomfield saved its best for last on Saturday as the Lakers won their own invitational volleyball tournament with a victory over the Troy Colts in the finals of the 10-team tournament.

After watching his team split with the Colts in pool play earlier in the day, Lakers coach Mike Sopko knew his girls would have to step up a level in the finals and that's exactly what they did. The Lakers took control of the match with a 15-10 victory in the opening game, then clinched their first West Bloomfield Invitational title in three years with a seven-point run in the final game to earn a 16-8 decision.

Following an error by the Colts, Merrilee Monwarling need a serve and Larissa Grinberg followed with a kill to give the Lakers an 11-8 lead. Grinberg and Meredith Kelly then doubled up for a block and Grinberg closed out the game with three straight kills to seal the win for the Lakers.

"I thought we were hot and cold

in pool play, but the kids really turned it on in the playoffs," Sopko said. "It's real exciting to win our own tournament, especially since we didn't win it last year." (The Lakers lost to Farmington Hills Mercy last year in the tournament championship.)

The Lakers were 7-1 in pool play with victories over Hazel Park (15-14; 15-12), Farmington (15-7, 15-8), North Farmington (15-7, 15-3), and the split with Troy (16-14, 13-16).



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**Spike attempt:** Farmington's Maggie Frump pounds the ball for a spike while Krista Snow of Harrison tries to block.

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"I think the kids got to that point and figured they had it won," Shortt said. "They put a little scare in us. Chippewa Valley was up 13-3 on Saturday, and we came back to beat them. I thought I saw that happening here."

Jenny Sever also played well for Farmington (6-6-5), and Maggie Frump has become a fine back-row player, according to Ingalls.

"She usually plays front row, but she's really working to be an all-around player."

North coach Sandy Lubieniecki hopes her young players will progress enough by February to become a better team.

"Of all my years at North Farmington, this is the least experienced group, so we knew we were

going to struggle," she said. "We're working on so many parts of our game at once, we just need to play."

Perkins excelled for the Raiders despite playing with a sprained ankle, Lubieniecki said.

"Her serve reception and digging were outstanding. She played a solid back row and led us in blocking and kill hits."

# Harrison rally nets 3rd at WB

Farmington Hills Harrison concluded its performance in the West Bloomfield Invitational with a thrilling, come-from-behind victory over Mount Clemens Chippewa Valley in a one-game volleyball match for third place Saturday.

It appeared Harrison would settle for fourth place as the Big Reds dominated early and stormed out to a commanding 13-3 lead. But the never-say-die Hawks rallied for a 16-14 triumph.

"The girls just really wanted to go home with something," Harrison coach Ron Shortt said as he clung to the third-place trophy.

"They just wanted it more. It was the match for third place, and the kids didn't want to go home empty-handed."

Shortt singled out the play of middle hitter Julie Heist and setter/hitter Amanda Ault in leading the Hawks throughout the day.

Harrison went 6-2 in pool play with victories over Dearborn Fordson and Ortonville-Brandon

and splits with Berkley and Chippewa Valley.

The Hawks beat Farmington in three games (15-5, 15-17, 15-6) in the quarterfinals and lost to West Bloomfield in the semis.

The Falcons were third in pool play, winning their first two matches against Hazel Park (15-6, 15-6) and North Farmington (15-12, 18-16). Farmington lost to West Bloomfield (7-15, 8-15) and Troy (12-15, 2-15).

Debbie Schroeder was a standout for the Falcons. She was 19-of-21 hitting with 12 kills in the North Farmington match and 11-of-11 serving with nine points (four aces).

She was 11-of-12 spiking against West Bloomfield with seven kills. She rated 100 percent on her digging (10) and passing (15).

Maggie Frump had six kills versus North, and Jenny Sever served for 12 points in the second Hazel Park game.

Bill Parker and Dan O'Meara contributed to this story.

## North beats Walled Lake

Michelle Teal and Elyse Turner led North Farmington's gymnastics team to a 126.6 to 120.5 victory over visiting Walled Lake.

Teal won the all-around with 33.9 points after winning both the vault with 8.7 points and the bars (8.6). Teal also was second on the beam (8.16) and second on floor (8.45).

Turner, meanwhile, finished in the top five in all events. Turner's best score came in the vault, where she tied Walled Lake's Stacy Mackowiak for second place (8.3).

North sophomore Jenny Japenga also showed fine form with second place on the bars (8.55) and third place on the beam (8.1).

North coach Jeff Dwyer said freshman Hillary Lam, senior Stephanie Wagner and sophomore Maria Pinsky, who attends Harrison High School, have helped the Raiders win six dual meets without a loss.

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