FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

Big Ten swimming/diving

everal former high school athletes from the Observer and Eccentric communities are competing this weekend in the Big Ten women's swimming and diving championships at the University of Michigan. The defending champion Wolverines are expected to be challenged by Northwestern, Penn State and Minnesota. The three-day meet began today and concludes Saturday.

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Area athletes include Northwestorn's Kerry Doran (North Farmington), Christy Wicke (Andover) and Danielle Frottier (Seaholm), Michigan's Katie Knipper (Mercy), Michigan State's Alissa Gowing (Groven), Joan Huellmantel (Mercy) and Gwen Rowlands (Nori), Jowa's Jennifer Dixon, Ostovenson), and Indiana's Jennifer Dixon, Clahser), All are swimmers except for Dixon, a diver.

(Lanser), An are summers and diver.

The meet features 13 individual events, five relays and two diving events. The top 16 swimmers in each of the individual events will qualify for the point-scoring finals.

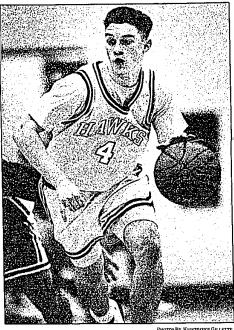
Preliminary heats start at 11 a.m. and finals at 7 p.m. each day in the Canham Natatorium. Tickets are available at the door. For information, call the U-M at 313-763-6644 or 313-747-2883.

Ladywood A.D. resigns

ivonia Ladywood High principal Sister
Mary Ann Smith has assumed athletic dimorth of Joe Peruski.
"I'm not going to be hiring or interviewing anybody for the position until spring sports have aiready started," Sister Smith sold. "I'm acting athlatic director, but I've been able to get help with
the parents and coaches pitching in. I'm managing
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Peruski, who served three years as Ladywood's head track coach, was hired last summer as A.D. to replace Kim Linenger, who resigned to take a similar administrative job with the Catholic Youth Organization.

Hawks breeze to win over Falcons



Holding the key: Senior point guard Keye Smith leads the Harrison offense during a fast break Tuesday against Farm-

Blazers, even with Assad out of



Farmington Hills Harrison got back on track in West-ern Lakes Activities Association boys basketball Tuesday when the Hawks rolled over crosstown rival Farmington, 61-39.

By NEAL ZIPSER STAFF WRITER

SYNEAL LIPSEE

The most thrilling moment in the Farmington-Farmington Hills Harrison baskethall game Tuesday happened as the game's final buzzer sounded. However, the outcome was decided long before.

Ryan Forth's turnaround hook shot off a missed free throw as time expired meant all of the Hawks scored in Harrison's lackbuster 61-39 victory over the visiting Falcons.

Harrison evened its overall record at 8-8 and, more importantly, improved its Western Lakes Activities Association mark to 8-2. The Hawks have won seven of their last eight games.

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Farmington dropped to 6-10 overall and 3-7 in the league. The Falcons have lost four straight and seven of their last eight.

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"We won the game."

"We like the outcome but we have a lot to Improve on before we play Plymouth Canton Friday," Harrison Junior guard Ryan Cahill said.

The Hawks played without starting senior forward Don Bypant, who twisted his ankle during practice Sunday and is expected to miss two weeks.

Harrison received another scare early in the third quarter when Jeremy Teachman fell to the floor with a slight sprained ankle. The senior guard didn't eturn but is expected to play against Canton.

"We're missing the slashing, rebounding and ability to create fouls without Don," Teachman said. "To-night we got some great contributions from players on our bench — Nick Williams, Jeff Cislo, Aaron Weiss, Rick Smith, Chuck Bambenck and Dava Bennett."

The game got off to a slow start as Harrison clung to a 6-4 lead nearly six minutes into the opening quarter.

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Menser, a junior guard and one of the Falcons' top scorers, was frustrat-ed the entire night and finished with two points.

Farmington made one of its brief comebacks by closing the acore to 28-17, but a three-pointer by Cahill just before the halftime horn gave Harri-son a 14-point cushion.

See HAWKS, 4B

Marlins give Blazers scare involleyball playoff match

BY BRAD EMONS
STAP WATER

Monday was President's Day, but two longtime Catholic League we've had with Mercy, "Ladywood rolleyball rivals couldn't take the day off.

Livonia Ladywood, the pretourney favorite, was nearly impeached from the A-B Division playoffs, but the host Blazers railed in the second and third games to edge rival Farmington beginning at 7:30 tonight at Machanna University for the A-B title.

Redford St. Agatha and Center Line. St. Clement will square off in the first game of the double-header at 5:30 for the C-D Division champlonship.

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