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FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

Taekwondo medalists

Brothers Daren and Aaron Lee of Farmington Hills were medalists in the Taekwondo Junior Olympics national tournament July 3 in Dayton, Ohio.

Thirteen-year-old Daren won the silver medal in his age group (13-14) for forms, which involves choreographed fighting patterns performed solo before judges. He was fourth in sparring (full contact bouts).

Eleven-year-old Aaron earned the gold medal in forms and placed sixth in sparring in the 11-12 age group.

It was the third national tournament for the boys but the first time they placed high enough to receive medals. Both are students at Power Middle School.

The Lees qualified for the nationals at the state meet in April. Aaron won gold in both events, Daren gold in sparring and silver in forms.

The brothers are red/black belts and will test for their black belts in December along with their regular teacher, Master Han Lee, and Grand Master Hwa Chong.

Grush receives award

Cindy Grush of Farmington Hills capped her academic and athletic career at Kalamazoo College by being awarded The Catherine A. Smith Prize in women's athletics.

The Smith Prize is presented to a graduating scholar-athlete who "in her participation gave all, never quitting and with good spirit, who supported others unselfishly, and whose example was inspirational."

Grush, who majored in human relations and human resources at Kalamazoo, was a four-year varsity letter winner in women's swimming.

In presenting Grush with the award, Kalamazoo Athletic Director Lyn Maurer cited "her contributions in and out of the water in both attitude and leadership, undaunted loyalty and unselfish contributions to our swimming program."

Grush's swimming career at Kalamazoo was filled with numerous successes. During her four years, the women's team won two Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association championships, plus one league dual-meet title.

Grush was named to the All-MIAA team three times and won a special award from Kalamazoo College as a four-year varsity letter winner.

Grush, a 1999 graduate of Mercy High School, is the daughter of Ernie and Cindy Grush of Farmington Hills. Grush is considering a career in gerontology or nutrition and might like to be a swim coach, too.

Nothdurft qualifies

The Nothdurft Senior Softball Club prevailed over a field of 21 teams to win the Clinton Township qualifying tournament July 4 weekend and advance to the Senior World Series.

It took 10 wins during the four-day tournament for Nothdurft to eliminate all opponents, including a strong Huntington Club, 14-6.

Area players on the team include Bob Delfgaau (Redford), John Fawcett (Plymouth), Milo Karhu (Farmington Hills) and Bob Kaump (Redford).

The World Series will take place Sept. 27 through Oct. 3 in Houston. The Nothdurft team recently won the U.S. National Senior Olympic gold medal.

Bandits runners-up

The 1979 Farmington Bandits were runners-up in the premier division of the Wolverine Soccer Tournament last week in Livonia. The Bandits compiled a 3-2 record and had an 11-to-9 advantage in goals scored.

The Bandits led 3-2 at halftime against the Flashing Thunder in their first game but scored four more in the second half after changing their game plan to put more pressure on the Thunder. Sagar Janveja scored three goals, Phil Wantlin two, Jeff Gandolfo and David Hart one each. The defense was led by Dante Delipizzo, Dave Stevens, Shene Patterson and Ian Gray.

Farmington lost its next game, 2-0 to the Fraser Red Barons, as the Red Barons used their touch-control skills in the midfield to keep the Bandits from generating any offense.

The Bandits rebounded with a 2-0 win over the Huron Valley Express. Jake Lawrence scored his first goal after spending most of the season in net as the goalkeeper. Wantlin scored the other, his third of the tournament.

Farmington prevailed in the semifinal game over the Northwest Ohio Select team, 2-1.

"This was the most exciting game of our tournament," Bandits coach Tom Faro said.

Goals by David Viano gave Farmington a 2-0 halftime lead. Faro cited the defensive play by Tony Guncas, Jason Guncas, Delipizzo and Stevens. Janveja and Jake Gibson played key roles in the midfield, too.

The Bandits met the Red Barons in the final, with Fraser winning the rematch 4-0.

"They played more aggressively and moved the ball to one another well," Faro said. "We didn't play our best. I think the guys were tired, having played five games in three days."



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Safe at second: Jenny Myslinski of the Hornets slides into second base Thursday ahead of the throw to Fantastic's infielder Dina Aon in the Incredible Girls Fast-Pitch Softball League. The Hornets won both ends of the doubleheader, 10-4 and 17-5.

Diamonds hold edge over Hornets



The leaders in the Incredible Girls Fast-Pitch League are a pair of Farmington Hills softball teams: the Diamonds (8-0) and the Hornets (10-2). The league gives area senior and junior high school players the opportunity to play organized games in the summer.

The Farmington Hills Hornets swept a softball doubleheader Thursday to maintain pursuit of the Farmington Hills Diamonds in the Incredible Girls Fast-Pitch League.

The Hornets, who defeated the Farmington Fantastic 10-4 and 17-5, have won more games than any team in the league but still trail the Diamonds by percentage points.

The unbeaten Diamonds lead the league with an 8-0 record while the Hornets are 10-2 followed by the Canton Cobras (7-3) and Northville Niners (6-3-1).

Hornets pitcher Kristen Kozlarski went the distance in the first game

Thursday and struck out six.

With the score tied 4-4 after six innings, the teams used the international tiebreaker in the seventh. The Hornets had seven of their 15 hits and scored six runs.

Lori Hubble was 2-for-2 with a home run and three RBI. Kozlarski, Kathy Schneider and Stephanie Schwalm had two hits apiece. Schwalm drove in three runs and Schneider two.

Jenny Myslinski and Hubble hit home runs in the second game. Jodi Barringer had two hits and three RBI, and Schwalm and Katey Hesano contributed two RBI each.

On Tuesday, the Hornets won two games from the Canton Commanders, whipping the visitors 24-5 in the first game and holding on 11-10 to win the nightcap.

Schwalm produced five RBI in support of Kozlarski's pitching in the opener. Diana Dickow hit a solo homer while Katie Kelly, Christine Clervi and Schwalm scored three runs each.

Canton led 10-7 after 4 1/2 innings of the second game, but the Hornets rallied with four runs in the bottom half.

Schwalm had two hits, two runs and three RBI. Clervi and Kozlarski scored two runs apiece, and Holly Foster was the winning pitcher.

Diamonds deliver wins

Coch Dave Brubaker's team had only five hits in the doubleheader Thursday but still managed to defeat the host Niners 13-1 and 5-3.

The Diamonds had three hits in the first game, but winning pitcher Melanie Cheney allowed just that for Northville, too.

Cheney only walked one while Farmington Hills benefited from four Niner errors, 11 walks and one hit batter.

Renee Ouellette walked twice with the bases loaded, Kandara Paleiros and Becky Thursam once each. Michelle Splax had two hits and three RBI, and Amy Kelman added two RBI.

Thursam pitched a four-hitter in the nightcap and struck out seven. The Niners made two errors while their pitchers gave the Diamonds six walks and hit two batters.

Aubrey Ripicky's triple drove in one run for Farmington Hills, and Jennifer Cassidy had two RBI with a

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American Legion team on the rebound

Farmington American Legion Post 346 went about putting its baseball team in order last week as the post-season playoffs approached.

Post 346, which struggled after a fast start, was beginning to come around again with three consecutive victories.

Due to a restructuring of the league standings following the demise of several teams, Farmington got a boost as its record improved to 14-7.

The Post 346 streak hit three Friday with a 12-1 rout of Ferndale Post 330 in which Jason Fischer pitched a three-hit complete game.

Jeff Cialo and Randy Neumann had three hits apiece, and Matt Wolff had two hits, walked three times and scored four runs.

Aaron Cagnon had three RBI with a single and a walk. Cialo and Jeff

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Benit had two RBI each; Neumann, Jim Rose and Ron Salomonson one apiece.

Dave Schall pitched a one-hitter Thursday as Post 346 mired Royal Oak Calvary 14-1 Thursday in five innings at Farmington. Schall walked three and fanned one.

Benit hit a two-run homer and scored two runs. Neumann had two RBI and scored three times and Salomonson had two hits and three RBI.

Cialo, Brock Goff (two runs), Andy Sill and Paul Roma chipped in single. Fischer contributed a two-run double.

Salomonson was a defensive standout at shortstop with five assists. In

the first inning, he went in the hole twice to field the ball and throw out the runner at first. First baseman Joe Pesci had 10 putouts and one assist.

Mike Samolin tossed a four-hit shutout Wednesday to lead Post 346 past first-place and host Berkley 1-0.

He struck out six and walked five. With two out in the third inning, he walked three straight batters to lead the bases before getting the third out with a foul popup that was caught by Pesci.

Farmington had two of its three hits in the third inning to score the only run. Fischer singled, took second on a wild pitch and scored on Sill's double.

The defensive stars were Roma with six putouts in center field and Cialo with five putouts and one assist at catcher.

The American Legion all-star game was played Saturday night at Berkley. Post 346 players participating were Benit, Cialo, Goff, Neumann, Salomonson and Samolin. Derek Lindsay also was selected but had a prior commitment.

■ **MICKEY MANTLE COBRAS**
Ben Muller allowed only four hits over six innings to become the winning pitcher Friday for the North Farmington-West Bloomfield Cobras in their 7-1 win over visiting Westland 1.

Muller struck out five and walked five. Darin Glasser pitched the seventh. Jake Lawson and Adam Smerecki had two RBI apiece.

The Cobras (8-4) defeated the

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Gumbleton cut loose as CC hockey coach

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In three months, Jack Gumbleton went from being named Observer-land's hockey "Coach of the Year" to a coach without a job.

Gumbleton will not have his contract at Redford Catholic Central renewed for the 1993-94 hockey season despite winning his 400th game while guiding the Shamrocks to the Class A final last winter, CC athletic director Bob Santello said.

Santello, reached Friday at the school, said Gumbleton is being removed because "basically, the administration felt it was time to make a change."

Class A regionals and reached the state final twice in 15 years. The 1992-93 team finished 19-6-4 overall and lost to Alpena in the championship game, 2-1, despite losing three potential star players before the season to travel hockey teams.

"We have always felt that Jack was a gentleman and represented Catholic Central well," Santello said in a press release. "However, we feel that at this juncture in our hockey program, it is necessary to seek new direction."

"Obviously, I don't want to go into great detail as to the reasons for not renewing his contract, but simply stated over the years, we have had



FILE PHOTO

Ousted coach: Redford Catholic Central decided to not renew the contract of hockey coach Jack Gumbleton for the 1993-94 season. Gumbleton led CC to three Class A regional titles and two state championship appearances in 15 years.

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