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FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

Hurricanes claim title

The Farmington Hurricanes under-12 girls soccer team captured the Western Suburban Soccer League Division II championship by posting a 6-0-2 record.

The Hurricanes scored 27 goals while the goalkeepers and defenders dominated the division by allowing only four.

Coach Emmett Windisch cited team play and goalkeeping as key roles in the team's progress and success. The Hurricanes were 1-3-4 last fall and 4-4 in the third indoor season.

The Hurricanes are Regina Bander, Megan Donahue, Christin Drayback, Kristy Figel, Jamie Jakacki, Brynn Maki, Moira Morel, Melissa Myty, Marya Link, Dana Wainin, Shavyn Welch, Olivia Neilluma, Kristin Olson, Stacy Havestrot, Kati Windisch and Cassandra Myers.

Saints going to nationals

The Farmington Saints, a first-year girls 14-and-under fast-pitch softball team, earned a berth in the national tournament scheduled for late July in Green Bay, Wis. The Saints qualified by finishing fourth in district competition July 10 in Oxford.

The Saints are Allie Ault, Ari Ault, Dana Dzickan, Paige Even, Dana Falvo, Erin Fitzgerald, Kerry Fitzgerald, Katie Gioia, Colleen Kalczynski, Ellen Kozlowski, Kari Kreuz, Sarah Martinez, Sharilyn McGrath, Kelly Moore, Beth Ann Nowak, Flavia Palazeti, Stacy Sakowski and Ashley Schumacher.

The team is coached by Jack and Michelle Falvo, Jim Fitzgerald, Joe Nowak, Mary Lou Nowak, Jim Palazeti and Gil Martinez.

Wingfield records ace

Butch Wingfield of Farmington Hills shot his first hole-in-one Saturday at Glen Oak Golf Course.

The 40-year-old Wingfield, who has been a golfer for 20 years, used an eight iron on the 161-yard No. 8 hole. He shot 36 for the nine-hole round.

T.S. Martin's takes Founders title



Founders tourney: Pat Vellucci of team champion T.S. Martin's makes a difficult play on a ground ball Sunday in the Founders Festival final.

T.S. Martin's Restaurant and Tavern, with a roster dominated by the Vellucci family of Farmington Hills, won the Founders Festival softball tournament.

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Mark Vellucci remembers watching his father and brothers come close but never win the annual Farmington Founders Festival softball tournament as he was growing up.

The 21-year-old Vellucci joined the family-oriented team three years ago and this year helped create a better memory of the three-day event.

Mark, who grew to be the biggest of five sons at 6-foot-5 and 240 pounds, was named the most valuable player in leading T.S. Martin's Restaurant and Tavern to the championship.

Vellucci hit .700 overall and went 10-for-12 in the last three games Sunday with a home run, triple, double and seven singles at Pioneer Park.

As the cleanup batter, he had two hits and two RBI as Martin's whipped Highland Merchants in the title clincher 15-5. He also scored three runs.

Highland was undefeated going into the finals, but Martin's dominated the first game 22-8.

"I just had a good swing," Vellucci said. "In the open field (no fence), you can't try to kill it. You just have to try to hit a nice single."

"I'm so big teams play deep on me. I had to let up on it and try to hit it in front of the right-center fielder. I have pretty good speed for my size, and I move well when I get chugging."

Vellucci, who plays first base just as he did for Farmington High's

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Greys ready title defense; Post 346 heads to playoffs

The South Farmington Grey Bronco baseball team will go after its fifth consecutive state championship this weekend at Drake Park.

The tournament begins at 6-tonight and continues through Sunday. Games also will be played at the Knights of Columbus hall in Middlebelt south of Nine Mile.

Grey manager Chris Ghanam believes the current Bronco team is the strongest yet.

"We hit the ball as well as any of our previous teams," he said. "But we have more pitching depth than in the past, and our defense is the best we've ever had. Even when we're not hitting the ball, we still win games."

The Greys have enjoyed a successful tournament season to date, winning two championships, finishing second in the Heritage Classic and placing third in the Firecracker Classic.

South Farmington's latest title effort occurred last weekend in the Trenton regional. The Greys defeated the Michigan Merchants 4-1 Sunday in a game that was rained out two weeks ago and postponed.

Zach Burton, Anthony Tomez and Bobby Austin combined on a three-hitter. The big hits were back-to-back doubles by Mike Fischer and Blake Ashley after a leadoff single by Ken Lee.

Other members of the team, which competes in the 11-12 age division of the Pony baseball program, are Charlie Avery, Mike Baoford, Brendan Etue, Kevin Geary, Joe Ghanam, Jim Marchel, David Pesel and Sean Aury. The assistant coaches are Dan Avery, Ken Lee and Lance Pesel.

AMERICAN LEGION
Farmington Post 346 won its last three games to tie for second place in the final American Legion league standings.

Post 346 and Royal Oak finished 17-7 and both will go to the Continental Regional to be played at Berkley Community Field July 27-29. The winner goes to the World Series beginning Aug. 1 in Rustaville, Ind.

Farmington whipped perennial power Chief Pontiac 12-1 Satur-

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day in six innings behind the one-hit pitching of Paul Roma, who suffered little damage despite walking 10.

Randy Naumann had two hits and one RBI. Roma three hits and one RBI, Jeff Benit and Andy Sihl two hits each, Brock Goff and Aaron Cagnon two RBI apiece.

Joe Pesci, replacing the injured Derek Lindsay at first base, was hit by a pitch and had one RBI.

Post 346 was to have played a doubleheader Sunday against Oxford but won the first game on a forfeit because the opponent didn't have enough players.

Farmington needed two runs in the bottom of the seventh to win the nightcap 6-5.

After Post 346 loaded the bases with two hits and a walk, Ron Salomonson's RBI sacrifice tied the score. With two out, Cagnon walked on four straight pitches to force in the winning run.

Salomonson pitched six-plus innings but moved to shortstop in place of Matt Woolf, who was hurt colliding with second baseman Goff. Mike Samolin finished the seventh and got the win.

Roma was 3-for-3 and had three RBI. Naumann had two hits, and Salomonson, Cagnon and Benit drove in single runs.

CONNIE MACK
North Farmington-West Bloomfield 1 and Trenton are tied for first place in the Little Caesars league, both with 10-1 records.

NFWB (25-6) crushed visiting Garden City 16-5 Monday to keep pace. Mike Jehlo was 4-for-4 with three RBI, and Derek Fox and Jeff Rose had three hits and two RBI each.

Brian Kalczynski and Chris Ogden hit two-run homers, and John Heller and Mark Rutherford added two hits each. Adam Wood was the winning pitcher.

NFWB was 4-1 on the weekend in the Great Smokey Mountain Classic in Knoxville, Tenn. NFWB opened with an 11-1

win over the host team. Dan Fydyn pitched a four-hit win. Kalesynski had three RBI, Dave Ettlinger and Heller two each. Doug Gaughan had a home run.

Jason Farrell struck out seven and threw another four-hit victory Thursday as NFWB blanked Calhoun (Ga.) 10-0. Fydyn had three RBI, Heller and Gaughan two each.

Rutherford was 3-for-3 Friday but NFWB lost 12-2 to Dukes of Atlanta. The team won its last two, 11-8 over Chattanooga (Tenn.) and 12-2 over Oakridge (Tenn.) Saturday.

Rutherford pitched and won the first game Saturday. Martin Stonehouse had three hits, including a pair of doubles, and six RBI. Rose chipped in two RBI.

Marcus Sarnovsky threw a three-hitter in the last game. Stonehouse had the hot bat again with three RBI, and Sarnovsky and Fydyn added two each.

PEE WEE REESE
The Bloomfield Bulls won the 12-team weekend Peewee Reese Division of the Mayor's Invitational last weekend in Battle Creek.

Pitching highlights included 5 1/2 scoreless innings by Ross Patterson over two games, a seven-inning performance by Evan Feldman to overcome favored Mel's All Sports Indians of Battle Creek, Brent Schoenbach's five innings of three-hit ball against the St. Clair Shores Sox and two victories by Marc Boggio.

Brent Zalk, Jason Rogowski and Brad Jaffe contributed scoreless relief stints.

Defensive standouts were Flanbaum at second base, Boggio in left field and Rogowski behind the plate. Boggio caught a line drive that was headed for extra bases with runners in scoring position.

Offensively, the team was led by Brent Schoenbach (.636), Ryan Kravetz (.625), Rogowski (.625) and Jaffe (.600).

Matt Zalk hit a two-out, two-run single against the Sox. Pete Zigouras had four RBI in the Indians game, Garry Penta had sev-

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