Mercy races to victory

Redford Catholic Central's boys cross country team, led by the Leo brothers, won Saturday's Shrine-Shamrock Invitational boys Division II title at Marshbank Park.

CC has won two straight Shamrock Invitationals and eight of the 15 overall.

The Shamrocks earned first place with 61 points and Milford came in second (110). Lake Orion was third (111), Dearborn fourth (125) and Livonia Stevenson fifth (153).

The Leo brothers usually lead the Shamrocks but for the first time this fall, sophomore Joe Leo finished ahead of his older brother Mark Leo, a senior. Joe Leo took fourth place in 16 minutes, 40 seconds and Mark Leo came in fifth place at 16:50. CC coach Tony Magni said Joe Leo took fourth place ahead of his brother in stride.

"I think he was more excited about the team finishing first place than he did about beating his brother," CC coach Tony Magni said. "Mark could have given up when he saw his brother go by but he did not. He hung in there because he had to do the job. He worked very hard to get as close to his brother as possible."

Jeremy Short finished 13th for the Shamrocks (17:40) and Mike Danic was 17th (17:47). Matt Sroczynski came in 22nd place (17:50), Brian Smith was 31st (18:01) and Derek Faunce was 43rd (18:24).

Stevenson was led by Jason Hayward, who placed 12th overall (17:31). Other top Stevenson runners included Steve Warner, 28th place (17:55), Scott Creehan, 29th (17:57) and Brian Hayward, 37th (18:09). The Spartans' Andrew Beach was 47th (18:30).

Westland John Glenn took 13th in the team standings with 331 points. Henry Honeycutt had Glenn's best finish, placing 25th (17:53).

Dearborn Divine Child won the Division I boys race, as five Falcons finished among the top 10, with 26 points. Oxford was second (70) and Lutheran Westland took fifth.

Brad Polkinghorne led Lutheran Westland's effort, gaining eighth place (17:37). Sam Patterson placed 16th (18:18.7), Chris Tiernan, 24th (18:35), Jason Collins, 31st (18:44), Phil Kimmel, 33rd (18:53), Jon Schmoll, 38th (19:04) and Jason Burk, 39th (19:08).

MacKinnon 1st for girls

Livonia Stevenson took fifth in the girls Division II standings but the Spartans' Bridget MacKinnon placed first overall in 19:51.

Farmington Hills Mercy had two of the top three runners and won the girls Division II race for the first time with 62 points. Dearborn Edsel Ford was second (75), Milford third (84), Utica Eisenhower fourth (91) and Stevenson fifth (125).

Eileen O'Connell of Mercy took second individually (20:09) and Amy Freund took third place (20:26). The Marlins also had Mary Thewes in 12th place (21:40), Betsy Gignac, 13th (21:43), Sarah Podorsek, 32nd (22:37), Erin Blazewski, 36th (22:42) and Amy Dinges, 41st (22:57).

"We're running pretty good as a group, everyone's working hard and it's starting to pay off," Mercy coach Gary Servais said. "Hopefully this will help us get ready for the regional (which includes top-ranked Plymouth Canton) because it will be a dogfight."

After MacKinnon, Stevenson failed to place a runner until Sarah Reider came in 21st place (22:14). Laura Pilon was 22nd (22:17) and Nicole Falk came in 29th (22:33). Kristi Ladd placed 52nd (23:55).

Dearborn Divine Child won the girls Division I title with 51 points. Livonia Ladywood took fourth place (137) and Lutheran Westland was ninth (254).

Julie Brown of Ladywood took 20th place (23:17) and teammates Shannon Swish and Chrissy Johnson took 22nd (23:25) and 24th (23:42), respectively.

Lici Koch led Lutheran Westland, taking 30th place (23:59). Robyn List was 51st (26:17).

Shamrocks win

CC improved to 3-0 in dual meets with Monday's 18-45 victory over Birmingham Brother Rice at Cass Benton. The dual meet win gave CC a 2-0 Catholic League Central Division record and was the Shamrocks' sixth-straight triumph over Rice.

Mark Leo finished first place (17:07) ahead of second-place Joe Leo (17:08) and third-place Tim Gass of Brother Rice (17:13).

Other top times for the Shamrocks were from Phil Camilleri (17:51), Sroczynski (17:54), Short (17:55), Brian Smith (17:56) and Faunce (18:08).

Mercy perfect in dual meets

Farmington Hills Mercy won its third straight dual meet in Catholic League girls cross country Tuesday, sweeping Harper Woods Regina 15-50 at Mount Clemens Metro Park.

SPORTS SHORTS

Items for the *Sports Roundup* should be submitted by 5 p.m. Tuesday (for Thursday edition) and 5 p.m. Friday (for the Monday edition).

■ MARRIOTT CHAMPIONS

The Vardar III under-15 boys soccer team captured their third consecutive tournament championship Sept. 18-19 at the Marriott Classic at Oakland University.

Vardar III, co-coached by Mike Lupenec and Vito Pampalone, defeated the Fraser Strikers in the finals, 3-1, after advancing with wins over the TPSA Cosmos (3-0), Rosya Rampage (6-0), Plymouth Kicks (5-2) and Sport Club 24 (2-0).

Members of Vardar III include Vince Alexander, Chris Combs, Jeff Conner, Kevin Cooper, Mike Robinson, Ken Furphy, Trevor Pampalona, Kellen Kalso, Patrick Wilson, A.J. Hulings, Kevin Robinson, Andrew Upward, Harry Campos, Nick Sanchez, Anthony Sanchez and Robert Turpin.

■ EMU HOCKEY ALUMNI

The Eastern Michigan University Eagles club hockey team will hold its sixth annual alumni game 8 p.m. Friday at the Plymouth Cultural Center and Ice Arena, 525 Farmer Street.

Special reduced admission prices for the event are $3 (adults), $1.50 (students) and $1 (senior citizens). Children under 12 are free.

EMU opens its 1993-94 season Oct. 8-9 against the University of Toledo at Tam-O-Shanter Ice Arena in Sylvania, Ohio.

The Eagles launch their home schedule 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16 against Northwood Institute at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

For more information, call Doug Waack at 522-8986 (days) or 981-6144 (evenings).

■ SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

Free tryouts for the Highland fastpitch girls travel softball team will be (rain or shine) Sunday, Oct. 10 at Milford High School.

Registration is from 11:30 a.m. to noon and tryouts from noon to 2:30 p.m. for girls 14 and under (cannot turn 15 before Aug. 31, 1994), and girls 16 and under (cannot turn 17 before Aug. 31, 1994).

For more information, call 887-2406 or 673-8153 or 887-5295.

■ MERCY COACHES

Mercy High School is looking for a varsity softball coach, JV girls volleyball coach and JV girls soccer coach. For information call Athletic Director Nancy Malinowski at 476-8020.

■ SOFTBALL TOURNEYS

Canton Softball Center has tournaments scheduled for the following dates: Oct. 9-10, Wait 'Til Next Year, fee $95 plus umps, round robin. Call 483-5600, Ext. 103.

Madonna 7th in NAIA

The news just keeps on getting better for the Madonna University women's volleyball team.

On Monday, the Lady Crusaders achieved their highest ranking ever (No. 7) in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. (Hawaii-Hilo is No. 1 in the NAIA coaches poll.)

On Tuesday, Madonna ran its overall record to 20-2 with a 15-4, 15-13, 15-9 victory at Hillsdale College. It was the Lady Crusaders' fourth straight win over an NCAA Division II squad.

Freshman Julie Martin (Livonia Stevenson High) and Kari Van Deusen led the Madonna hit parade with 12 kills apiece.

Van Deusen, a Waterford Mott product who played at Schoolcraft College, also added 13 digs.

Other contributions came from Kelly McCausland (Redford Union), six kills and seven digs; Maureen Paulin (Farmington Hills Mercy), six kills and 12 digs; Julie Wood (Schoolcraft), five kills and 12 digs; Tiffany Joseph and Laura Fisher (Wayne Memorial), five digs apiece.

Senior setter Mazie Pilut (Redford

assists.

"Going on the road after a week layoff made me leery about how we'd play," Madonna coach Jerry Abraham said. "But we passed and served very well.

"We were down 9-4 in the second game, but stuck in there and pulled it out.

"We also hit very well as a team (.340 percentage)."

Open bowling available

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AL HARRISON

A few of the bowling centers in the area have some open bowling time available during weekday evenings.

In years past, you wouldn't even think of going out for the fun or getting extra practice during what has always been league bowling hours.

Times have changed.

Several houses have cut down on the number of leagues, and yes, you can go to Redford Lanes on Monday, Tuesday night or Thursday night and get a couple available lanes.

Same way at Bel Aire Lanes in Farmington. They have open bowling on Tuesday nights, Friday night and Thursdays after 9:30 p.m.

Super Bowl in Canton has open bowling Fridays and a few lanes are available on Tuesday nights.

These are just a few of many houses in the area where bowlers can find weekday evening lanes.

■ The Pro Tour Qualifier is coming.

The PTQ, in connection with the PBA Greater Detroit Open, will be held Sunday, Oct. 3 and 17 at Taylor Lanes.

This is different from the Pro-Am as the PTQ presents an opportunity for five qualifying local amateurs to bowl in the PBA Tour for the $140,000 prize money. The five top qualifiers in the PTQ will receive a paid entry to the tournament and bowl as an amateur in competition with the pros.

Entry fee is $30 and there are the usual large jackpots. Spots are limited so those interested should make their reservations as soon as possible. Walk-ins will also be accepted if there are any openings.

This Sunday, the bowlers will compete in one six-game block with the two highest scratch scores taking the entries. The Oct. 17 PTQ will consist of eight games with the top three qualifiers gaining the spots.

This squad will start at noon. Call Taylor Lanes at 946-9092.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Bel-Aire Lanes (Farmington): Tuesday Senior House Trio — Bill Dyer, 218/739; Vern Dowell, 277/737; Ross Frasure, 256/688; Mark Pagoda, 688; Pat Jensen, 669; Dave Halstead, 668.

Drakesbire Lanes (Farmington Hills): Tuesday Junior House — Brian Reamy, 733; Ken Arnold, 278/749; Carl Chikerston, 277; Matt Miller, 280; Rodney Yousef, 278.

Lido & Lassers — Jeff Baker, 296.

Farmington Elks — Bill Dennis, 278.

Merchant Men's — Dan Thomas, 289/741; Bill Mueller, 256/704; Steve Klein, 279/782.

Ansara's Big Boy Classic — Dave Eatmon, 278/774; Larry Varble, 758; Dick Beattie, 279; Kerry Kreft, 279; Chris Stubb, 279; Don Worthington, 740.

Country Lanes (Farmington Hills): Greenfield Mixed — Ron Blanchard, 200/693; Roman Suzron, 236/688; Max Lynch, 257/680; Ryan Wilson, 237/640; John Stanicha, 243/618; Tom Koebel, 258/685; Julie Wright, 214-225-236/675; Bill Sack, 243; Gwen Dow, 201/559; Carl Hansen, 247; Debbie Van Meter, 218/623.

Wednesday Knights — Dave Fehrenbach, 266/678; Jim DeBelis, 209/734; Bill McKendrick, 278/674.

Wednesday Nite Ladies — Pattie Ramirez, 234/606; Jill Landrum, 212/592.

Tuesday Mixed Trio — Rob Geyner, 269/717; Tina Barber, 235/643; John Osborne, 244/693; Tina Schaefers, 237/583; Tim Smith, 248/693; Kevin Joy Landacre, 216/601; Ken Kubit, 275/719.

St. Paul's Men's League — John Gall, 237/648; Skip Davey, 223; Mike Gola, 221.

Country Keglers — Ron Blanchard, 268/682; Tom Kutch, 246/666; Walt Ulrich, 244/618.

Loon Lake — Jerry Weinkart, 237/580; Dave Amolsch, 231; Bill Mason, 229.

High School League — Timothy Dean, 224/602; Chris Bragman, 223; Mark Hervey, 209; Autumn Dobom, 177/478.

Country Junkers — Mike Steffke, 196/518; Heather Batchelor, 155.

O'neil Brith Brotherhood/Eddie Jacobson — Rob Greenfield, 225-222/626; Mark Hanger, 230/614; Eric Gockert, 232/610; Larry Salusky, 238.

Super Bowl (Canton Township): Wednesday Morning Ladies — Linda Simpson, 277.

Super Tuesday — Mike Miller, 278.

Garden Lanes (Garden City): West Side Proprietors Travel League — Randy Gulkowski, 268.

Vinco — Brad Lackey, 758.

Dearborn Heights Men — Mark Papp, 738.

Garden City Moose — Bob Chubb, 718.

Cloverlanes (Livonia): All Star Bowlettes — Nicki Cuzzort, 209; Verna Reed, 277; Tonya Norman, 258; Laura Solo, 249; Michele Caldwell, 243; Teri Taylor, 233; Kim Conner, 254; Lisa Behnke, 245; Sandy Fuente, 257.

Cloverlanes Scratch Trio — Phil Trevarrow, 266; Dave Marvin Jones, 247/704.

Merriman Road Baptist Church — Dave Burgos, 279/745.

Westside Jets — Roy Williams, 258/718; Steve Bowsher, 269/679.

Thursday Junior House — Joe LaFata, 287; Mark Gazo, 710.

Plaza Lanes (Plymouth): Plaza Men — Elijah Roberts, 236/638; Jeff Ellenwood, 236/615; Rich Sturtz, 257; Larry Gavello, 246; Mike Benton, 239; Bob Healy, 234; Rick Bolen, 227.

Mayflower Lanes (Redford Township): Friday Seniors — Gerry Zakrzeski, 222/613; Cal Simmons, 243.

Monday Seniors — Art Kuntzler, 256/634; Larry Murphy, 226.

Men's Senior Classic — Bill Williams, 241/623; Jesse Macckooo, 222/601; Jerv Woehlke, 235; Al Harrison, 226-225/636; Al Thomoson, 222/600.

Wonderland Lanes (Livonia): Wonderland Classic — Mark Persak, 289/728; Barry Van Dee, 266/707; Bob Prasevski, 289/690; Garrett Hagle, 699; Doug Sobka, 268/707; Tom Duckek, 279/690; Mike Kuspa, 268/698; Fred Page, 696.

BGR — Jay Seppler, 258/681; Dean Johnson, 257/659; Ev Sumner, 257/645.

Jets Owls — Jerry Modinski, 248; Rob Plontek, 227/630; John Rayburn, 224.

Plymouth Voyagers — Gordie Matachkowski, 243; Jeff Smart, 245/613; Tom Baker, 223; Mike Pfirrman, 226; Harry Herbst, 237.

Oak Lanes (Westland): Sunday Morning Classic — Joe Smith, 299; Dutch Cook, 299; Bob Brown, 702.

Back 40 Mixed — Kathy Mossakon, 247.

Wednesday Nite Men's — Rob Ashcraft, 224-251/662; Tom Dercangelo, 241; Keith Fowler, 246.

Tuesday Nite 745 — Jack Jones, 256-225/708/630; M. Mayfield, 242/638.

Town 'n Country Lanes (Westland): Wednesday Trio — Ray Lancski, 299/718; Aaron Stokes, 298/700; Andy Deverich, 721; Robbie Cook, 721; John Spence, 702.

Friday Junior House — Bob McDonald, 738; Frank Patterson, 750; Andy Deverich, 701; Keith Henry, 290; Frank Witkowski, 725; Butch McKinis, 289.

Westland Bowl: Sunday Sweepers — Michael Walters, 300/723; Bobby Williams, 255/718; Ricky Peter, 255/709.

Wednesday 9:30 men — Brian Chubb, 279/700.

Ladies Classic — Kay Markel, 246/634; Lisa McGanahan, 256/623.

Sunday Kings & Queens — Ted Gish, 246; David Valentine, 242/587; Jim Kussak, 235; Joy Paschke, 218; Sharon Sikes, 218/559; Sherry Bevis, 214/531.*

Woodland Lanes (Livonia): Thursday Morning Ladies — Joyce Davis, 255.

Swinging Seniors — Daisy Zuchelski, 200; Tom Gerovac, 226; Bob Wilhelm, 245.

Ford LTP — Jim Cooper, 736.

Oddballs — Angela Hensley, 254.

Spareshakers — Jan Belcastro, 264/651; Kathy Lerbret, 221; Linda Potter, 223/567; Donna Sobck, 224/557.

Men's Trio — John Genord, 278/726; Dennis Seamark, 735; Mark Payne, 723; Tim Panek, 709; Frank Hoffman, 684; Ev Watson, 680.

Misers — Robert Cresch, 297/785.

West Chicago — Ted Muraski, 238-203-289/730.

Family 4 — Melanie Pronello, 215.

Wonder Women — Maria Pegorara, 244; Marsha Reed, 218; Shirley LeBlanc, 200.

Morning Glories — Helen Harvey, 211; Melanie Hall, 213-214.

Monday Specials — Bob Johnson, 212; Harry Buhl, 221-235/618; Jeanne Stanley, 203.

Afternoon Delights — Joanne Roberts, 223; Laura Sirous, 216; Sherrill Everette, 218/598.

Gay 90s (Seniors) — Chuck Jensen, 228; George Wyckhuyse, 221; Fran Hnot, 221.

Baker's — Ken Gignac, 243; Gwen Dow, 279; Brian Heyza, 288/766.

Ford Parts — Tom Cyrul, 736; Rick Cockfield, 735; Joe Castle, 564.

Ford Trans Ladies — Rita Bechmeyer, 233; Cindy Starbuck, 243; Nancy Singleton, 214; Beverly Marshall, 201; Shirley Kuda, 231; Pam Gheesen, 200.

Senior House — Greg Barnett, 280/771; Ken Kubit, 267/751; Barry Schauer, 269/730; Scott Linsner, 268/710; Troy Winterhead, 257/703.

Ladies Hits Out — Cheryl Sikels, 681.

Midnighters — Tony James, 700.

Lyndon Meadows — Stella Beaver, 225.

Local 182 Retirees — Morley Clemence, 226.

Flyers — Dev Humphrey, 218; Marilyn Vaughn, 204/513; Marlene Price, 555; Shirley Smith, 236.

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