# Preview

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Possibly the most improved is senior John Amayo, who drops to 171 after being at 189 where he

Til after beling at 189 where he was 8-15.

"He can surprise some people this year," Tharnish said. "He has a different outlook on wrestling this year. He has grown up mentally and physically, and you can see it in his attitude and the way he wrestles."

Harrison will have freshmen wrestling at 103, 145 and heavy-weight, and the team is without a 189-pounder.

The Hawks begin the season Saturday at the North Farmington dual tournament.

Farmington High
The Falcons are longely a young
and inexperienced teom, but they
do have six wrustlers returning
with varsity backgrounds.
The top wrestler is senior Mike
Prough, who was 28-7 last year at
135-40. He begins his fourth year
on the teom with a 40-13 career
record and will wrestle at 145.
Prough, who was second in the
Observerland meet, third in the
Western Lakes and fifth in the
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"He should go all the way to the state meet, but we'll have to see how It goes in the new weight class," Farmington couch Al Beyar soid. "He's very declicated and has been working very hard.
"He seems to have his goals set on what he wants to accomplish, he missed out last year and wants to prove he can go all the way."

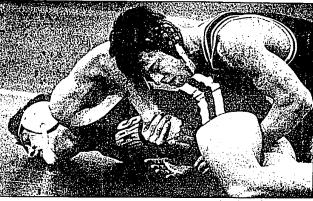
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The Falcons, who were 2.9 in dual meets and 10th in the league, have only two seniors. The other is Derek Paquette, who was but most of inst year. He was 3.8 at 152 and will go at 160.

"He seems to he real solid at this point, Beyar said. "It he stays healthy, he should definitely help us."

Junior Mark Marson returns after posting a 14-13 record at 135. He placed fourth in the league and fifth at Observerland, He will wreathe at 140 this year.

"He has improved and bucome more solid," Beyar said. "Hopefully, being a junior, he'll be more consistent."



Veteran wrestler: Senior Mike Prough is the top returning wrestler on the Farmington team, beginning his fourth year of varsity competition.

Farmington has three experi-enced sophomores in Matt Mi-chalski, Chris Neville and Mike

Michalski (9-6) and Neville (9-

Lane.

Michalski (9-ti) and Neville (9-ti) shared time at 103 and had winning records. Michalski, who was fifth in the WLAA and sixth at Ubserverland, will stoy at 103 will have a sixth in the WLAA and sixth at Ubserverland, will stoy at 103 will have a sixth in the WLAA and sixth at 103, and Chris is recovering from an injury and just got back in the practice room," Beyer said. "I think Matt has a good chance to place in the county; and, if Chris can get back in shape, he should do real well, too."

Lane will compete at 119 after going 8-15 at 112. Junior Chris Engle (145-52) and sophomores Mike Connor (119) and Andre Monge (125-30) gained experience in JV matches last year.

Among the newcomers, sophomore heavyweight Adam Tanielian might help the Falcons most. "He has good balance and icarna very quick, which is a plus for any heavyweight," Beyer said. Fermington, which also has six freshnen, 13 suphomores and three juniors on its roster, begins the season Saturday in the Milford Lakeland dual tournament. "Hopefully, we can improve our record."

"Hopefully, we can improve our record," Beyar said. "We'll be able to fill all the weight classes, which we weren't able to do last

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year. We're definitely in a re-building year with a lot of sopho-mores."

North Farmington
The Raiders, who were 3-7 in
dual meets and eighth in the
WLAA, find themselves in a situstion similar to Farmington with
only two seniors. They return
nine wreathers, but many had
backup roles or competed in JV
matches.

North had three of the area's better wrestlers last year in Dave Orow, Jared Lawrence and Mark McDonald, but it lost them to graduation as well as some others who didn't come back.

"We have less kids but more athletes, second-year coach Tony Silveri said, adding the Raiders have 20 this year instead of 30. "Now we have to turn them into wrestlers." into wrestlers.
"We don't have too many kids

"We don't have too many kids with more than one or two years of experience. We're short on numbers, but all of them are working hard and looking forward to wrestling season."

The top returness are junior Nick Grant and senior Angle Gertz. Both move up one weight class to 171 and 152, respectively. "I think (Grant in going to be vastly improved," Silveri said. "He's gotten bigger and stronger, and he's more aggressive. I don't

know if he'll do anything out-standing, but I expect him to be very good in the league at his weight class.
"(Gertz will) do well. He's also become more aggressive. We're trying to stress that with our kids. We want them to be more offen-sive instead of sitting back and waiting for the apponent to come to them."

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In the upper weights, the Raiders have sophomores John Lessway and Steve Acton, who rotated between 171 and 189. Lessway is scheduled to be the regular 189-pounder this year.

Junior Jeff Light wreattled part of the year at 152 and will replace Lawrence at 160, and Silveri is counting on senior Jee Majouh (135) to get some wins for the Raiders, too.

Raiders, too.

North also returns juniors
Corey Mosher (140-45), Joremy
Lubin (130-35) and Matt Greenberg (heavyweight) with experience in JV matches.

ence in JV matches.
Silveri thinks sophomore Rich
Lacy (119), a transfer from West
Virginia will telp that team as
well as inst-years sophomore Sam
Saflerdine (12),
Saflerdine (12),
The Raiders will be host for a
dual-team tournament Saturday,
involving Warren Lincoln, Rachester and Harrison.

## **SPORTS SHORTS**

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

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### ■ QIRLS HOOP TRYOUTS

■ GIRLS HOOP TRYOUTS

The Oakland County Flyers
will have tryouts for their AAU
girls basketball teams according
to the following dates and times.
Saturday, Dec. 11, at Warner
Middle School (14 Mile Read in
Farmington Hills): 15-year-olds,
9-11 a.m.; 16-18, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 12, at Warner
Middle School (11-and-under and
12-13, 9-11 a.m.; 14-year-olds, 11
a.m. to 1 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 18, at East Middlo School (Middlebelt Road between 10 and 11 Mile): 11-andunder and 12-13, 9-11 a.m.; 14year-olds, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 19, at East Middle School: 15-year-olds, 9-11
a.m.; 16-18, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
For information call Bob LaCosse at 471-1177.

Tyouts for the West Metro
Cougars AAU girls basketball
team are scheduled for Friday,
Dec. 3, at the Northville Recre-

ation Center, 303 W. Main St. as follows: 6-7:30 p.m. for 11- and 12-year-olds; 7:30-9 p.m. for 13 and 14 year olds. For more informa-tion call 349-0369 or 274-2153.

B COLLEGE HOCKEY
Four weeks and eight games
later, Eastern Michigan's club
hockey team returns to its home
ice at Plymouth lee Arena Saturday against University of Michigan-Déarborn.
Game time Saturday is 7:30
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EMU is 13-5 overall and 6-4 in the Central States Collegiate Hockey League.

## **B** BIG SPLASH

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RON Orris, a senior at Michigan
State from Canton (Plymouth Satem), had a solid performance at
last week's U.S. Open Swimming
Championships, hosted by University of Michigan.
Orris finished eighth in the
100-meter (short-course) butterfly
in 55.81. He also swam legs on
MSU's 800 freestyle and 400 medlegy relay teams, each finishing
sixth.

### **■** GRAND OPENING

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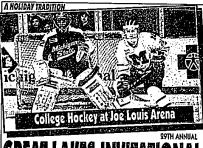
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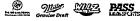
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