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Scholar-athlete nominees

Farmington student-athletes were among a record number of applicants for the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Award.

The award is underwritten by Farm Bureau Insurance and grants a \$1,000 scholarship to an athlete in 23 sports the MHSAA sponsors a post-season tournament. The MHSAA received 1,955 applications this year.

Farmington High athletes applying were Kevin Affterbaugh, track and cross country; Kevin Murphy, soccer; Theresa Cisco, soccer; Debbie Dziekan, softball; Amy Freund, cross country; Sara Hogan, golf; Eleasha Mercer, track; Zondra Simmons, basketball; Amy Watroba, swimming; Jennifer Werner, skiing; Harrison Becky Macak, basketball; North Farmington: Alicia Crossland, cross country; Keegan Keefover, track; Amy Kelman, softball; and Danielle Laborde, basketball.

Full sports winners will be announced Friday, winter Feb. 4 and spring Feb. 18. The 23 recipients will be honored at halftime of the Class B boys basketball final Saturday, March 26.

Gymnastics dual results

Gymnastics dual meets Monday, Plymouth Salem (134.9) defeated visiting North Farmington (126.05) and host Westland John Glenn (125.1) defeated Farmington (113.55).

North's Michelle Tsai was first on vault (8.9), third on bars (8.55) and tied with teammate Hillary Lum for fifth on beam (7.65).

Elyse Turner placed fourth on beam (7.95), fifth on vault (8.4) and floor exercise (8.2) and sixth on bars (7.65). Hillary Lum also was fourth on vault (8.4) and Stephanie Cohen sixth on floor (7.9).

Farmington's Carrie Smolinski tied with Glenn's Kristen Nicholls for first on floor (8.65), was third on beam (7.65) and had the top all-around score (3.35).

Kelly Misch was first on second on vault (8.0) and was fifth on floor (7.85). Maureen Gerwatowski was fourth on vault (7.95) and second in the all-around (29.8).

Hawks regroup to defeat Raiders



Hawk hitter: Senior attacker Carey Perkins tries to catch the North defense off guard with a misdirected tip.



Harrison is having another good year in volleyball, but the Hawks were challenged Monday in a Western Lakes match before defeating North Farmington in four games.

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Carey Perkins, on the service line Monday with her team behind in the score, intended to disrupt the North Farmington defense — throw the Raiders into disarray.

Her strategy succeeded as she helped to rally Farmington Hills Harrison to a four-game victory over the visitor in Western Lakes Activities Association volleyball (16-14, 15-3, 14-16, 15-9).

Perkins, the former North athlete, rotated into the serving spot with the Hawks ahead 2-1 in games but trailing 9-3 in the fourth game. She served 11 straight points, which included two aces, and Harrison was ahead five when her turn ended.

"I tried concentrating on serving short, because they have the same back row (defense) as us," Perkins said. "If you serve short, it tends to create miscommunication."

"As long as we're getting our serves in, it helps to keep the players up. We know we can do it. We believe in ourselves. If we're down 2-1, we know we're going to come back and give it our best effort."

During the run of points, Amanda Ault had two kills for points, Krista Snow a block and a kill and Maggie Chavez one kill. Ault also had a block and a sink that led to North errors and Harrison points.

The Raiders also committed two other errors that kept the Harrison run going, supporting North coach Sandy Lubienicki's contention the problem "was on our side of the net."

"It wasn't a matter of (Perkins) hurting us with her serves, but we weren't coordinating on our side of the net," she said. "The kids were

pressing. They wanted to do it so much that we overplayed our spots. We lost the flow we had."

North added one more point before Snow recorded match point for Harrison with another block, cutting short a solid effort and well-played match by the Raiders.

The Hawks, who won the Macomb Community College tournament Saturday, are 3-0 in the WLA and 17-1-3. Harrison is on a pace to surpass its school-record 28 victories of a year ago. North is 1-2 and 2-5-4.

"I'm happy as heck right now," Shortt said. "We've been switching people around, and it's been working. If one is struggling, we put someone else in and they pick it up. We're a much more well-rounded team than in the past."

Lubienicki believes her team's strong showing against one of Overland's best is indicative of the progress the Raiders are making.

"If we could have taken the fourth game, I think we could have taken the match," she said. "We should have won the first game. The match really rode on that one."

"We started to play good volleyball tonight. Sometimes I don't think we get the credit for the improvement we've made. A lot of teams think they're playing poorly, but the reason for that has a lot to do with the other team playing well."

"As I said (in the preseason), by February, we should be competitive with anybody in the conference, and I thought we were very competitive tonight."

In the first game, North overcame a 5-1 deficit behind the serving of

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North takes 1-point win

North Farmington had a welcome change and was on the winning end of a close score Tuesday, nipping Birmingham Seaholm 69-68.

Sophomore guard Tim Dolan scored the winning basket when he grabbed a rebound and put it back with two seconds remaining.

The visiting Maples led 68-67 but committed a turnover and fouled North's Doug Dolak with four seconds left. Dolak missed the front end of the one-and-one, but the rebound was tipped to Dolan.

"We've had a number of close games, and tonight the ball happened to bounce into Tim Dolan's hands," North coach Tom Negoshian said. "We've had a few go the other way."

"We've got a big game Friday. Farmington is having a great season and playing very well. Maybe this will give us a little momentum going into that game."

Senior forward Scott Lord scored 17 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead the Raiders (3-5).

Senior guard Jon Pennala had 14 points, including four of North's 10 three-point field goals, and sophomore John Kelly came off the bench to score 11.

"We had some kids who were hurt and some who were in foul trouble," Negoshian said, "and we had some others step up and do a nice job."

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Pennala left the game with an ankle injury in the fourth quarter, which meant there was little opportunity to rest Dolak, the other starting guard who dislocated a finger on his non-shooting left hand in the second quarter. Dolak (nine points) started and played the entire second half.

Junior guard Drew Hayes scored 30 points and senior guard Tim Beagan 17 for Seaholm (6-4), which has lost three straight games. Sean Golden added 10 — all in the first half.

The Raiders led 39-37 at halftime and 54-43 before the Maples rallied in the final period (25-16).

Kelly had three triples for North, Ryan McGlinch, Dolak and Dolan one each. The Raiders made 28 field goals and three of nine free throws. Seaholm sank 25 field goals (four threes) and 14 of 20 free throws.

■ HARRISON 73, MOIT 56: The Hawks also earned a much-needed victory Tuesday, using a new twist in strategy to achieve it — a full-court press.

"It didn't work real well at first," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said. "We gave up some easy baskets, but we made

some adjustments and stuck with it. (The press) kind of took them out of their offense."

Senior center Aaron Weiss scored 22 points and grabbed nine rebounds to lead the Hawks (4-4). He also blocked two shots and had three assists.

Senior forwards Calvin Pruitt and Charles Bambenek made key contributions, too. Pruitt had 18 points and 13 rebounds, Bambenek 14 points and eight assists.

Bambenek also held Waterford Mott's leading scorer, Bill Martin, to nine points and half of his average. Paul Vaughn scored 13 points for the Corsairs (4-5).

Harrison was behind 20-19 after one quarter, but the Hawks turned it around and led 41-38 at halftime and 62-46 at the end of three periods.

■ TRINITY 78, CVILLE 73: Livonia Clarenceville fell below the .500 mark on Tuesday, losing to visiting Detroit Trinity Christian.

The Trojans, 3-4 overall, trailed 39-31 at halftime.

John Kalaj led Clarenceville with 24 points and Mark Kalaj added 14.

Kevin Ramey led Trinity with 34 points and Antwan Small added 14.

Editor's note: The game between Redford Catholic Central and New Boston Huron was postponed Tuesday due to cold weather.

Falcons stay undefeated in duals

Farmington won every event Tuesday to thump host Dearborn Edsel Ford and improve its record to 3-0 in swimming dual meets.

Scott Brown, Jon Reed and Don Boyer were on two relay teams each and won one individual event apiece. Dan Belanger also contributed to a pair of relay victories.

The Falcons started the meet with Brown, Belanger, Boyer and Reed winning the medley relay (1:47.37).

Chris Frump, Belanger, Tom Seley and Mark Kurzer were first in the 200 freestyle relay (1:40.8). Boyer, Steve Scario, Brown and Reed finished the meet with first

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place in the 400 freestyle relay (3:30.0).

Scario also had an individual victory in the 200 freestyle (1:58.99). Reed won the IM (2:07.57). Brown the 50 freestyle (24.0) and Boyer the 100 freestyle (50.0).

Farmington also got first places from Jeff Thomas diving with 162.9 points, Rich Hamann, butterfly (1:01.0); John Hawkins, 500 freestyle (5:24.88); Mike Enburg, backstroke (1:03.2); and Chris Owen, breaststroke (1:09.55).

■ REDFORD CC 123, CHURCHILL 83: Steve Rainke won the butterfly (55.8) and the backstroke (57.17) and contributed to a pair of relay victories Tuesday as the Shamrocks defeated host Livonia Churchill.

CC's Paul Magoulik won the 50 freestyle (24.2) and was on all three winning relays. James Laitle won the individual medley (2:05.03) and the 500 freestyle (4:47.21).

Rainke was part of the medley (1:48.4) and 400 freestyle (3:34.92) relays. The Shamrocks won the 200 freestyle in 1:33.51.

Other CC winners were John Zarow in the 100 freestyle (53.38) and Greg Tracy in the breaststroke (1:10.5).

Churchill's Jon Carlson won the 200 freestyle (1:52.81) and Richard Munir the diving with 200.25 points.

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