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FARMINGTON HILLS SPORTS SCENE

Buha starts near top

Farmington Hills golfer Jason Buha was in second place Tuesday following the first round of the 83rd Michigan Amateur Championship. Buha, who was an all-state golfer at Farmington High School and won the Class A title in 1991, shot 70 in stroke play at Egypt Valley Country Club in Ada.

Greg Stefan of Farmington Hills, a former Detroit Red Wings goalie, was one of four tied for fourth place at 72. Randy Lewis of Alma was the first-day leader at 69.

Sullivan wins golf title

Joe Sullivan of Farmington Hills won the first golf tournament of the 1994 Great Lakes Amateur Tour season June 11. Competing in the lowest handicap division (3-7), Sullivan was the A Flight winner in the Wolverine Classic with a 74 score at Wolverine Golf Club.

The next tour stop will be Saturday at Brae Burn in Plymouth. There are a few openings in each flight that will be filled on a first-come basis for golfers with a verifiable handicap. For information call 810-231-2559.

Hills woman wins gold

Sandy Darvin of Farmington Hills won three swimming events last week in the 15th Annual Michigan Senior Olympics in Holland.

The 80-year-old Darvin swam the 50-meter breaststroke in 1:32.4, the 50 backstroke in 1:14.1 and the 100 backstroke in 2:55.1 in the women's 80-and-over age group.

James Ingles of Farmington won the gold medal in the men's 55-and-over triathlon. The 56-year-old Ingles finished the event in 1 hour, eight minutes and 30 seconds, nearly four minutes ahead of the next competitor.

The state winners are eligible to compete in the National Senior Olympics next May in San Antonio, Texas.

Kal's clan enjoys emotional day

■ Brother Rice's baseball team made the trip to Battle Creek for the second time in three years. And, once again, it was a weekend to remember as the Warriors rolled to the Class A state title.

BY MARTY BUDNER
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STAFF WRITERS

Father's Day arrived a day early for veteran Brother Rice baseball coach Ron Kalczynski. The Warriors captured their second Class A state baseball championship over the past three years Saturday in Battle Creek thanks to a convincing 15-3 victory over Southgate Anderson. Two key members of that title-winning team were Kalczynski's sons Brian and Joe.

Brian, a senior and one of only three players from the current squad who played on the 1992 state championship team, played shortstop and was the team's offensive sparkplug as a leadoff batter. Joe, a sophomore, was a rock behind the plate as a solid defensive catcher.

It was quite an emotional weekend for the Kalczynski clan.

"It certainly was a good end to the season. I'm so happy," said Kalczynski. "And besides winning a state title, I have two sons that played and that's a special thrill."

"I was present at their births and that was exciting," he said. "Certainly this doesn't compare, but it's an exciting moment for me as a father. I'm very proud of all the kids, and Joe and Brian as well."



Weekend Warriors: Veteran Brother Rice baseball coach Ron Kalczynski (center, 10), had a close-knit group of players this year, including his son, Joe Kalczynski (right), and junior mound ace Marty Weymouth (9).

WLAA champion receives big share of all-area honors

BOYS' TRACK

- FIELD EVENTS**
- 100-yard dash: 1. Greg Koehler, Churchill; 2. John Schenckel, Redford CC; 3. Kyle Shaw, Lathrup Westland.
- 200-yard dash: 1. Neil Kallan, Redford CC; 2. Doug Brzezinski, Redford CC; 3. Ken on Dueso, Churchill.
- 400-yard dash: 1. Shawn Arboogast, John Glenn; 2. Dave Dierich, Churchill; 3. Mike Ponsanti, Farmington.
- 800-yard dash: 1. Freddie Taylor, Redford CC; 2. Chris Schneider, Farmington; 3. Jeff Aschold, Harrison.
- 1,600-yard dash: 1. Matt Syversen, Stevenson; 2. Steve Johnson, Thornton; 3. Tony Smith, Lathrup Westland.
- RELAY TEAMS**
- 400 relay: 1. Harrison Ethan Allen, Scott Dierich, Gil Chavez, Jason Granger; 2. Farmington Ryan Lewis, Eric Rotenbush, Dave Klossman, Rob Lemmings.
- 800 relay: 1. Harrison Ethan Allen, Kevin Bryant, Gil Chavez, Jason Granger; 2. Lathrup Westland Ryan Crowder, John Smolke, Luke Schneider, Jeff Lachner; 3. John Glenn Phil Allen, Brent Washington, Torrance Walker, Thomas Lott.
- 1,600 relay: 1. Salem Plus Pinsky, Brian Bryant, Brian Hart, Adam Schenckel; 2. John Glenn (Shane Lott, Todd Peterson, Torrance Walker, Jason Crowder); 3. Redford Union (Tom Kessel, Corey Bergeson, Justin Carlson, Greg Kossick).
- 3,200 relay: 1. Salem Plus Pinsky, Dave Klossman, Andy McDowell, John Schenckel; 2. Canton (Clay Gray, Brian Crowder, Jeff Kuth, Todd Smith); 3. John Glenn (Jason Crowder, Joe Wiegman, Henry Hensley, Jason Owens).

BY DAN O'MEARA
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Nine schools are represented on the All-Observer first team in boys' track, but most hail from area powers Farmington Hills, Plymouth Salem, and Redford Catholic Central.

Western Lakes Activities Association champ Harrison and runner-up Salem took two relay berths each and have five and seven athletes on the first team, respectively. Catholic League runner-up CC was next with three.

Harrison relay runners Scott Gurke, Ethan Allen and Gil Chavez are repeat selections as are Livonia Churchill's Greg Koehler (pole vault) and CC's Nick Kallan (shot put).

CC's Freddie Taylor (long jump), Livonia Stevenson's Matt Syversen (high jump) and Redford Union's Tom Kessel (800) moved up from the second team and Westland John Glenn's Shawn Arboogast (discus) from the third.

ALL-AREA TEAM

Greg Koehler, pole vault, Churchill. The senior consistently placed and had a season best of 13-10. Koehler is a two-time Observers Relays, Western Lakes Activities Association and regional champion and also was first at the Tiger Relays this year.

Koehler also was a member of three state relay teams at Eastern Michigan University.

"Greg worked very hard during the off season to improve his vaulting technique and spent many hours in the weight room to improve his strength," Churchill coach Fred Price said.

"He also is an excellent student and is involved in many other school activities."

Nick Kallan, shot put, Redford CC. The senior was first at the Jackson Invitational, regional and Catholic League meet. Kallan placed third at the Spartan Relays and fifth in the state, and he had the top throw (shot and discus) at the Elks Relays. He was over 53 feet in seven competitions and has a season best of 56-2.

"He also rose to the occasion for us in the championship meets," CC coach Tony Maggi said. "His hard work in the off season, running and lifting, carried him to some outstanding performances. Along

with teammate Doug Brzezinski, he gave us an unbeatable one-two punch."

Shawn Arboogast, discus, John Glenn. The senior had the best arm throw of 157-10, was a regional champion and placed 10th in the state. Arboogast was the WLAA champ in the shot put and was fourth in the Class A meet. He was invited to represent Michigan in the throwing events at the Midwest Meet of Champions.

"Shawn threw over 150 feet consistently and scored in every meet he competed," Glenn coach John Stough said. "He has excellent technique and a great knowledge of the throws."

Freddie Taylor, long jump, Redford CC. Taylor had the best jump among area athletes at 21-10 1/2 and was over 21 feet five times. The senior was second at the Jackson, Catholic League and Operation Friendship meets, fourth at the Spartan Relays and regional. He just missed the state final with a jump of 21-1 1/4. He was CC's leading scorer and MVP.

"Freddie put in lots of time in the weight room and started the season stronger than ever," Maggi said. "He was very consistent in the long jump, 100 and 200 dashes and always ran a strong relay leg. It would have been a very tough season for us without him."

Matt Syversen, high jump, Stevenson. Syversen is the WLAA and regional champion. He broke Dave Hall's school record this year with a jump of 6-7 1/2, which stands as the best Observers effort. The senior also competed in relays.

Kevin Bryant, 110 hurdles, Harrison. The junior set a school record and ran an all-time best of 14 seconds in the state meet prelims. Bryant, who had never hurdled before this year, was the WLAA champion, placed second at the Oakland relay meet and regional and finished eighth in the state. He also competed in the 400 dash and relays.

"Kevin is new to track and field; this was only his first competitive season," Harrison coach John Reed said. "He's a team leader who came through in the clutch. He will be one of the top athletes in the state next year with more experience."

Ken Riley, 300 hurdles, Wayne. The junior posted the fastest time in the area at 30.3 and finished seventh in the state. Riley was the Mega Red regional champion, and he was undefeated in dual meets.

"Ken has a tremendous work ethic," Wayne coach Floyd Carter said. "He will not anything you ask him to run. He's a good student; he received an A's in se-

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