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Leading returnees: Meagan Sheahan, Sr. Q.
7; Sistery Selleck, Sr. F, G-7.
Frontilating newtowners: Dane Thomson, Jr.
5-4; Stephanie Doyle, Jr. Q. 5-4; Marsi Johnson, Jr. Katel Paulson, Jr. F, 5-5; Sisten Barry, Sr. F, 5-8; Danielle Bushey, Sr. 5-8; Rochalle Karnesky, Jr. F, 6-5; Katel Days, Jr. C. 5-10; Dearna Deroo, Soph. Q, 5-4 Laten Barry, Soph. F, 5-8; Charlasterod

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Bassin opener 7 p.m. Thursdey, Sept. 2 at Beltwills.

Last year's everal record: 10-11. Notable looses to graduation: Bridget Hensely, Kirgit Mendenhalf, Rola Amed.
Leading returnes: Samenhale Creek, Sr. F. 5-11 (Kouth team Al-Ares); Lal Gya Chander, F. 5-10; Notable Payard, Sr. F. 5-10; Lebry Calsino, Jr. G., 5-10; Lebry Le

bring a lot or teachers.

"Our bread and butter is a men-to-man defense, but "the learned to mix things up when it's called for."

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Head oceth, Andres Gorkell, fourth year, League efficienter, Catholic (Central). Season opener: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31 at int Powers Catholic. Tribes won less year: Class A district. Last year's overall record: 13-11 (district

second team All-Area); Elens Sveriticisas, priy Queen.
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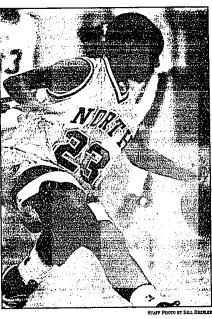
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North has one of area's elite players



Returning starter: Junior guard Staci Russell is among the veteran players on the North Farmington team.

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North Farmington has one of
the best players in the metro
area and possibly the state to
lead the Raiders into the 1999
girls basketball season.

Junior Samantha McComb, a
5-foot-8 point guard who can
nlea and position and post up as
well as hit the outside shot, was
the secondleading score r in Oakland County
with a 21point average.

years,
McComb
scored 729
varsity
points and
should exceed the 1,00 mark
this year and surpass Evo Claas
as the school's all-time leading
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"I think she's slated to set a lot of records," North coach Linda Perkins said. "Everybady is going to come into the gym and try to close down Samantha like they always do, and I feel she's going to hold her own and be every bit as successful as she was last season."

McComb, who shot 88 percent from the free-throw line and 51 percent from the floor, does a lot more for the Raiders than score points, however. She also averaged more than four assiste, four steals, two blocks and eight rebounds per game "She has more responsibility

tem," she said.
Starting on the wing will be 5junior Christina Colombo, the
softball team's pitcher who
played AAU basketball in the
winter and improved her game,
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In the post, the Raiders will rely on a pair of sophomores, 510 Meghan Callahan and 5-11 Catherine Audette.

on her shoulders, but she's strong, mentally, to handle is currently in a cast. Ferkins and direct the toam." Perkins and. 'She'll provide leadership on the floor with a very young team."

The Raiders, who were 9-13 last year, return seven varsity players but just one other starter, and they have only one senior — Relly McKoon, who will capitain the team along with yellorable minutes off the bench. Perkins and of McKeon. Staci Russell, a 5-3 junior guard, missed the first month of inst season after being injured in the first game but returns to start in the backcourt.

"Her speed and lateral movement, her quickness and ability to make reads and steads, will be a real asset this year," Perkins and.

A third starting guard will likely be 5-5 freshman Jehan Hindo, who was impressive in summer camp, according to Perkins.

Starting on the wing will be 6-5 junior Christins Colombo, the softball team's pitcher who

will have to board a bus before every game.

As for the season itself?

"You always want to end up higher than you anticipate." Perkins said. "If we can finish above. 500, that will be a good goal for our girls, being such a young team. That would certain-ly improve on last year's finish."

