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PUBLISHER'S NOTE

Hello sports fans, it's another great day here at High School Sports Scene Magazine.

It's hard to believe but another high school sports season is in the books.

And what an amazing ending it was!!!

The area was well represented at the state final level this spring. In baseball, Beal City capped the season in thrilling fashion. Senior pitcher Cayden Smith turned in a spectacular performance in the Division 4 state championship game. Smith, who won pitched the Aggies to a state title last year, did the job again but this time in memorable fashion as he tossed a perfect game in the championship game against Norway. You will be seeing Smith continue his baseball career next year at Central Michigan University.

Bay City Western also had a memorable state tournament run as it reached the Division 1 state semifinals before falling to eventual state champion Northville.

In softball, Evert came away with the Division 3 state title in thrilling fashion as it defeated Ottawa Lake Whiteford 1-0 in the championship game.

Clare also went on a big state tournament run as the Pioneers reached the Division 3 state semifinals.

Area track teams turned in some impressive performances, especially at Fowler where the Eagles completed a rare double-play combination with both the boys and girls track and field teams bringing home state championships in Division 4.

Just down the road from Fowler, Pewamo-Westphalia also brought home a state title as the boys track team took home the state championship at the Division 3 finals.

The Corunna boys also had a huge track season capped by a second-place finish in Division 2.

In soccer, both DeWitt and Freeland turned in memorable post-season runs. DeWitt reached the Division 2 state semifinals while Freeland reached the semifinals in Division 3.

With summer upon us, it's time to take a break and enjoy everything out beautiful state has to offer.

Have a fun and safe summer and see you again when the prep athletes return to action in August.



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ATTENTION AREA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL COACHES

With the calendar turning to June it means that the high school football season is not far away.

High school football teams will soon be conducting their summer seven-on-seven programs and high school football camps will be taking place across the state.

Everyone here at High School Sports Scene is also preparing for the upcoming football season. This year will be the 15th year that we will be putting out our high school football preview issue in mid-August and in preparation we will be holding a football media day on Tuesday, August 6 we will be holding a football media day at the Ithaca High School football field from

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Every high school football team (11 and 8-man teams) in the area is invited to attend. Coaches are encouraged to bring along players with them to meet with Sports Scene writers for interviews on the upcoming and to get photos.

Coaches are encouraged to contact a member of the Sports Scene staff by email at randy@highschoolsportsscene.com or greg102300@yahoo.com to give us an idea of what time you would like to attend and if you have any questions.

Thank you for your help and look forward to seeing you August 6 in Ithaca.



Beal City Baseball Team Captures Another State Title

John Raffel Sports Scene

Beal City Aggies, Division 4 baseball state champions.

It has a ring to it.

Beal City claimed the school's sixth career state baseball, championship on June 15 at Michigan State University.

It was the fourth state title for coach Brad Antcliff.

The Aggies ended up as champs with a 10-0 five-inning win over Norway from the Upper Peninsula. The Agges had single runs in the first and second innings and four runs apiece in the third and fifth inning.

Centerfielder Jack Fussman had two hits and four RBIs. Cayden Smith had a hit and two RBIs.

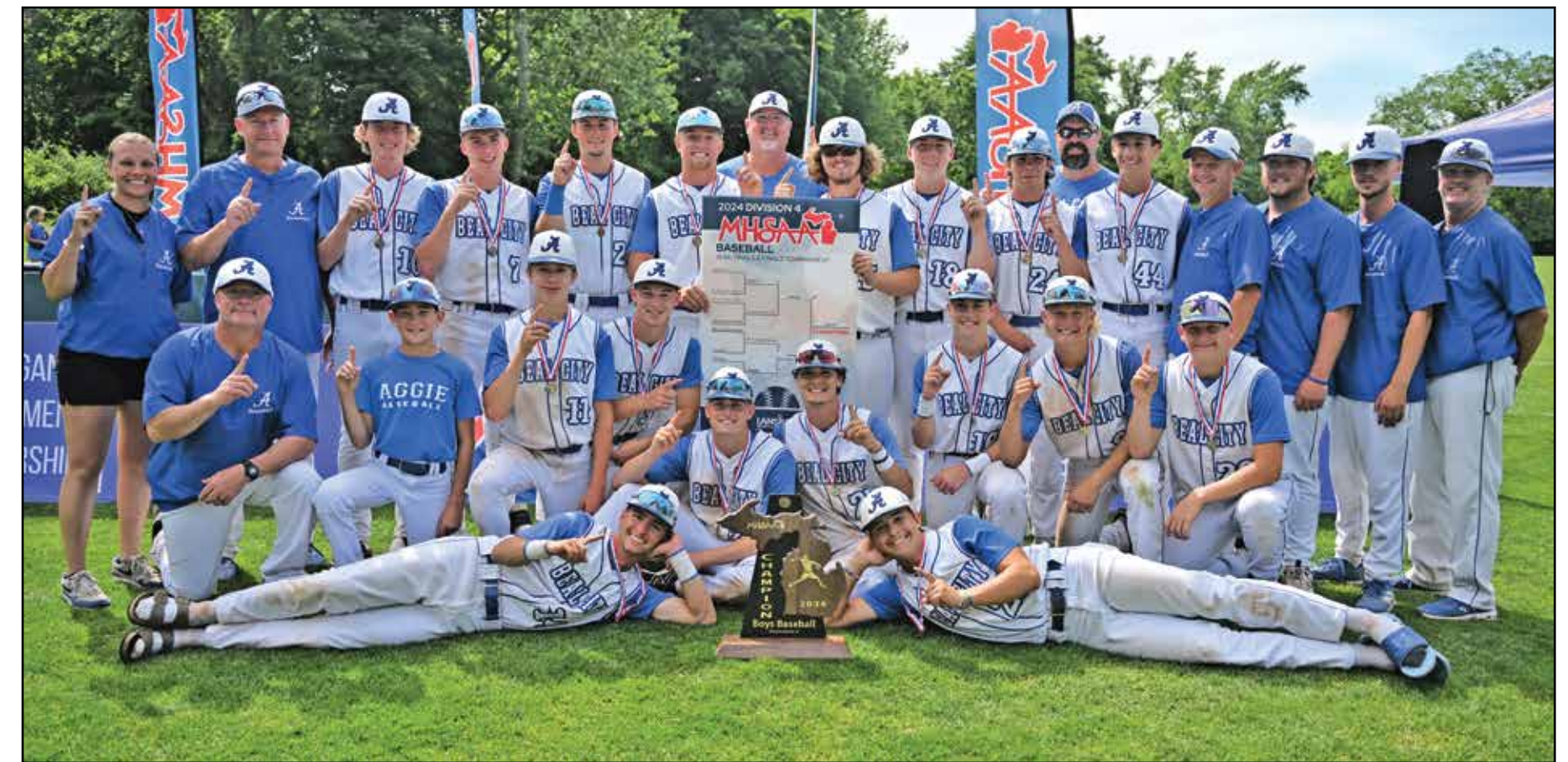
Cayden Smith pitched five innings of no-hit ball striking out eight batters in a perfect game. He threw 64 pitches.

Beal City had defeated Vermontville Maple Valley 5-1 on June 14 in the semifinal game.

The Aggies opened up with three runs in the fourth and one in fourth and fifth innings. Cayden Smith had a hit and run scored. Owen Mckenny had two walks and two runs scored. Jack Fussman had a hit, run scored and RBI. Josh Wilson had a hit and two RBIs. Jake Gauthier had a hit and run scored. Lane Gross, Bennett Gilde and Blake Walcutt had a hit and RBI.

Wilson went seven strong innings on the mound and allowed one run on three hits and struck out eight while walking two.

Beal City ended the state championship season at 34-6.



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Evert Softball Team Claims Division 3 State Trophy

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Evert's softball team won the Division 3 state title on June 15 at Michigan State University when the Wildcats defeated Ottawa Lake Whiteford 1-0 in the championship game.

Sophomore Kyrrah Gray threw the shutout for Evert and struck out the last two batters with runners on second and third to give Evert its first ever MHSAA state crown.

Evert sophomore Mattie Tiedt in the bottom of the sixth had her team's only hit, an RBI single to drive home Ally Theunick with the only run of the game. Theunick had reached base after being hit by

the pitch by Whiteford ace Unity Nelson.

Kyrrah Gray had a flyout to the fence in left field during the game but wasn't able to get a hit against Nelson.

"There was another pitcher we saw who might be a little faster than her," Kyrrah Gray said. "But her offspeed stuff was pretty nasty."

"It was probably the first game in our Division all year where she was probably the second best pitcher on the field," Shaun Gray said of Kyrrah. "I thought she answered the call pretty darn good. In one inning, they hit a double into the gap and I thought our center fielder Emily Miller did a great job of getting the ball back in holding her

to a double. There was a little blooper over the third baseman's head, but Jillian Decker, our shortstop, made a heckuva play to not let that run score."

Evert had won the semifinal game 8-3 on Friday over Buchanan. Gray was again the winning pitcher while she and Theunick also had solo home runs. Gostlin had a three-run home run. Addy Gray played a huge role two seasons ago when, as a junior, she was the No. 1 pitcher for a Evert girls softball team which went to the state title game and lost



Evert girls celebrate the state title after winning the title game on June 15.

a 3-2 heartbreaker to Millington in eight innings for the state title.

Gray was in the dugout supporting her former team. Gray

watched her young sister, Kyrrah Gray, pitch the Wildcats to seven straight playoff wins.

Clare Girls Fall In State Semifinals

John Raffel Sports Scene

Clare's softball squad ended its season with a 36-6 record in a 1-0 loss to Ottawa Lake Whiteford on June 14 at Michigan State University.

Whiteford got the game's only run with three hits in the first inning.

Clare got hits from Morgan Campbell, Madison Jones and Breez Yarger.

Jones went the distance as pitcher, allowing one run on six hits in six innings, striking out five and walking two.

Unity Nelson struck out 11 Clare batters and walked two.

"We had our opportunities and they had their opportunities," Coach Shane Kelley said. "We've been in a lot of games like that this year. We play a tough schedule. Today was not our day. We had some small ball stuff we tried to do. We just

couldn't compete with them. We hit some balls and they made great catches. We made great catches.

"It was two great pitchers out there dueling. That's why we play the competition we play so we can get ready for these days. We came out on the wrong end. The girls know what it takes to be here. I'm super proud of our girls. They never gave up. Madison believes in our defense. We came up one game short."

Clare only graduates two players and everyone else returns. Getting to the semifinals was significant.

"The girls have been playing extraordinary," Kelly said. "They've believing in each they'll be helping each other accountable; they've been putting in a lot of hard work. Everything they've worked for all year is finally paying off. Madison Jones is pitching extraordinary for us. Our defense has bene phenomenal. We've been advancing runners and doing what we needed to do all year, playing solid softball. It's exciting."



Clare batters had only three hits against Whiteford. (Richard Lamb Photo)

AREA ALL STATE BASEBALL PLAYERS

DIVISION 1

First Team
Charlie Baker, of, East Lansing, sr.
Caleb Bonemer, inf, Okemos, sr.
Max McCarty, of, Belding, sr.
Luke Lacourse, p, Bay City Western, jr.
Bryce Neitzel, c, Bay City Western, sr.

Second Team

Logan Borodychuk, inf, Mt. Pleasant, sr.
Mikey Deluca, inf, Bay City Western, jr.
Andrew Landis, inf, Rockford, sr.
Payton Skarda, of, Rockford, sr.
Luke Smith, of, Flushing, jr.

DIVISION 2

First Team
Grant Garman, p, Flint Powers, sr.
Logan Keilen, c, St. Johns, sr.
Connor Kelly, inf, Flint Powers, sr.
Dylan Ruhstorfer, 1b, Flint Kearsley, sr.
Isaac Sturgess, of, Flint Powers, sr.

Second Team

Alex Barr, inf, Ionia, sr.
Carter Castillo, inf, Ionia, sr.

JJ Lavelier, inf, Lake Fenton, sr.
Landon Mackley, 1b, Lakewood-Lake Odessa, sr.
Caleb Bonemer, inf, Okemos, sr.
Max McCarty, of, Belding, sr.
Marky Meyers, c, Portland, sr.

DIVISION 3

First Team
Chad Brown, p, Hemlock, jr.
Austin Humphrey, of, Chippewa Hills, jr.
Ryan Louch, inf, Clare, jr.
Wyatt Mosley, p, Dansville, jr.
Ty Randall, inf, Laingsburg, jr.

Second Team

Michael Clare, inf, Saginaw Valley Lutheran, sr.
Dawson Doan, of, Hemlock, jr.
Brady Sager, inf, Chesaning, jr.
Nash Wendling, 1b, Chesaning, sr.

DIVISION 4

First Team
Jack Fussman, of, Beal City, sr.
Aiden Halliday, 1b, Mt. Pleasant Sacred

Heart, sr.
Carter Lance, of, Fowler, sr.
Cayden Smith, p, Beal City, sr.
Grady Pieratt, inf, Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart, jr.
Jerryd Scheurer, inf, Portland St. Patrick, fr.

Connor Stempky, c, Mt. Pleasant Sacred Hert, sr.
Sam Vanneste, p, Fowler, jr.
Grant Vederode, utl, Merrill, sr.
Josh Wilson, 1b, Beal City, sr.

Second Team

Brady Davis, p, Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart, so.
Micah Herbst, of, Michigan Lutheran Seminary, jr.
Callan Hoefler, p, Vermontville Maple Valley, sr.
Charlie Thelen, c, Portland St. Patrick, so.
Ayden Wilkes, of, Vermontville Maple Valley, sr.



Okemos infielder Caleb Bonemer is one of the premier high school baseball players in the nation.

AREA ALL STATE SOFTBALL PLAYERS

DIVISION 1

First Team
Grace Schloop, p, Midland
Ella Stoney, 2b, Midland Dow
Honorable Mention
Dani Anzaldua, 3b, Lansing Waverly
Delaney Belding, p, Midland Dow
Lakyn Karr, ss, Mt. Pleasant
Jade Queen, of, Grand Ledge

DIVISION 2

First Team
Natalie Donaldson, ss, DeWitt
Lily Federau, c, Lakewood-Lake Odessa
Jaiden Griffith, utl, Williamston
Cailin Knoop, p, Big Rapids
Payton Schafsnitz, ss, Frankenmuth
Jayden Townsend, 2b, Portland

Honorable Mention

Pharis Carroll, 2b, Big Rapids
Chloe Compau, p, Frankenmuth
Ady Freeman, c, Owosso
Lexi Hemker, 3b, Owosso
Jenna Kowalski, c, Freeland
Hailey Kruiuzenga, ss, Mason
Addie Taylor, p, Clio
Kendall Thompson, 1b, Frankenmuth
Marissa Warren, c, Big Rapids

DIVISION 3

First Team
Ashley Bila, ss, Laingsburg
Brynne Birchmeier, 2b, New Lothrop
Ada Bradford, p, Leslie

Grace Chinavare, of, Sanford-Meridian
Kaitlyn Dickey, 1b, Bath
Jalen Fossitt, ss, Leslie
Kyrrah Gray, p, Evert
Delaney Gross, of, New Lothrop
Madison Jones, p, Clare
Lyndsey Lyscas, 1b, Hemlock
Lillian Martinez, utl, Hemlock
Marissa Rombach, ss, New Lothrop
Allyson Theunick, c, Evert
Gabrielle Waldofsky, of, Leslie

Honorable Mention

Addyson Buchin, p, Laingsburg
Emmah Hanson, of, Bullock Creek
Kendal Holzinger, c, Sanford-Meridian
Tessa Kelly, ss, Clare
Izabella Latuszek, sb, Laingsburg
Morgan Matusik, p, Millington
MaKenna Matzke, 2b, Sanford-Meridian
Kayla Newman, 3b, Beaverton
Brooke Spitzley, of, Pewamo-Westphalia
Mattisen Tiedt, 1b, Evert

DIVISION 4

First Team
Arryana Brown, 3b, Beal City
Ellery Garver, ss, Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart
Macy Johnston, p, Beal City
Mikayla LaBounty, 3b, Michigan Lutheran Seminary
Madison Miller, utl, Coleman
Saige Miller, ss, Fowler
Rylee Scheurer, of, Portland St. Patrick
Kallie Smith, 1b, Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart
Emily Taylor, ss, Beal City

Mairin Wheaton, 3b, Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart
Honorable Mention
Kylie Fiting, 2b, St. Charles
Ava Gross, of, Coleman
Paisely Hansen, 1b, Fowler
Jordan Huhn, utl, Byron
Savannah Jones, p, Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart



Midland pitcher Grace Schloop was one of the premier pitchers in the state this season.

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Clare Is A Regional Champion

John Raffel Sports Scene

Clare's baseball team had a season for the ages as a district and regional championship.

Clare's championship baseball season came to an end on June 8 at Rockford with a 10-1 loss in the state quarterfinals to Lumen Christi.

Earlier in the day, both teams won their respective regional titles.

Miles Haggart was the starting pitcher for Clare, giving up seven hits and six runs in 5.1 innings, striking out three.

Carter Smedley, Shane Warner and Ryan Louch each had a hit for Clare.

The biggest win for Clare came earlier in the day on June 8 with a 4-3 regional championship victory over Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian.

Clare built a 4-0 lead and hung on for the title. Clare opened the scoring in the first inning after Chase Randall drove in three runs.

Randall was the starter allowed one hit and three runs over 0.2 innings striking out five and walking three. Jayden Arthur appeared in relief.

Westyn Bryant, Randall, Miles Haggart and Shane Warner had one hit apiece. Arthur had two walks.

Clare posted another district baseball title on June 1 at Chippewa Hills with wins of 4-2 over Lakeview in the semifinals and 12-2 in five innings over Chippewa Hills.

"It was a great day; to come out on top and be district champions you can't beat that," Clare coach Dave Gould said. "Lately we've been hitting the ball well. Today it was a matter of time. We didn't hit that well in the first game; we didn't get it going but it was a matter of time."



Clare's baseball team shows off the district trophy at Chippewa Hills on Saturday.

Morgan An All-State Golfer For Chippewa Hills

John Raffel Sports Scene

Cameron Morgan's golf season was a record-breaking All-State performance for the Chippewa Hills sports program.

Morgan became the school's first All-Stater in golf when he placed eighth with rounds of 78 and 80. He was six strokes away from medalist David Ansley of Traverse City St. Francis with a 152.

Chippewa Hills was seventh overall as a team. Behind Morgan in scoring were Brandon Slasor 170, Dylan Boerma with 170, Marcus Barnes with 190 and Bode McArthur with 196.

Morgan shot an 80 on Saturday and coupled with his 78 from Friday he had a 158 to take eighth. He was only six strokes behind medalist David Ansley of Traverse City St. Francis.

"He had a couple of bad breaks but he bounced back. I'm pretty proud of the guy," Starck said. "He's first one placing in the top 10 at the state finals."

"Conditions were hard but ending up in the top 10 I was pretty happy," Morgan said. "I don't think the rain cost me any strokes. It was the mental errors. The rain can have an effect. Everyone is playing under the same conditions."

Morgan was the individual champion for the Central State Activities Association.

He had a best round of 71 during the season.

"I got the ball on the green and I was making putts," he recalled. "I was playing good golf."

Morgan has had offers for college golf but said he has not yet made a decision.



Chippewa Hills' Cameron Morgan sizes up his putt at Katke Golf Course during the second round of the state finals.



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High School Boys Golf State Tournament Roundup

David Cook Sports Scene

The final putts dropped on an exciting high school golf season. Following is a look at the boys golf state tournament and a recap of the performances from some of the area's top teams and golfers.

DIVISION 1

Detroit Catholic Central won the Division 1 team state golf championship for the second time in the past three years. The Shamrocks finished with a 597 team score as they shot a 305 on the first day and a 292 on the second day. Ann Arbor Skyline finished eight strokes behind in second place with a 605 total while Rochester Adams finished in third place with a 611.

Detroit Catholic Central senior Julian Menser won the individual state title by two strokes as he carded rounds of 70 on both days for a 140 total. Ann Arbor Skyline senior Vibhav Alokam finished in second place with a 142 while Warren De La Salle sophomore Troy Nguyen and Mattawan senior Matthew Novak tied for third place with 143.

Rockford Places 12th At State Finals

The Rockford golf team finished the season by placing 12th at the Division 1 state finals with a two-day total of 640. The Rams totaled 318 on day one and 322 on day two. Freshman Owen Wilson led the way for the Rams as he carded rounds of 82 and 75 for a 157 total to place 32nd as an individual. Senior Trevor Hobbs and sophomore Jack Reum finished in a tie for 43rd



with a 160 total while junior Kaiden Dressler placed 61st with a 163 total.

Okemos Golfer Places In Top Ten

Okemos junior Ian Masih qualified for the Division 1 state meet as an individual and finished in the top ten at the finals. Masih opened play with a 78 on the first day and then came back with a 69 on Saturday to finish in seventh place individually with a 147 total. Masih earned a trip to the state finals after placing second individually at the Midland regional where he fired a round of 70.

DIVISION 2

Orchard Lake St. Mary's edged defending Division 2 state champion Grand Rapids Christian by a single stroke to win the Division 2 state golf championship a Forest Akers West in East Lansing. St. Mary's finished with a two-day total of 603 while Christian totaled 604. Richland Gull Lake placed third with 609.

Grand Rapids Catholic Central senior Will Preston won individual medalist honors as he finished with a 141 total as he carded rounds of 70 and 71. Birmingham Brother Rice junior Leandro Pinili placed second with a 142 total while Orchard Lake St. Mary's senior Cooper Eaton took third with a 144.

Mason Golfers Place 11th At State Finals

After placing 17th at last year's Division 2 state finals, the Mason golf team came back to finish in 11th place this season. The Bulldogs shaved 37 strokes off last year's total to finish with a two-day total of 639 this year. Mason was led at the finals by senior Luke Petee who finished 25th as an individual with a 155 (80-75) total. Junior Josh Dys placed 47th with a 159 total while senior Joe Strach placed 49th with a 160 and junior Chase Makley totaled 165.

DeWitt Golf Team Takes 12th At State Finals

The DeWitt golf team capped the season by placing 12th at the D2 state finals with a 646 team score.

Senior Luke Hanselman led the way for the Panthers as he 15th as an individual with rounds of 74 and 78 for a 152 total. Freshman Justin Steinman placed 47th with a 159 total while sophomore Myles Smith placed 57th with a 163 (81-82) and sophomore Parker Roberts totaled a 173.

Haslett Golfers Place In Top 15 At State

The Haslett golf team closed out the season by placing 14th at the Division 2 state finals with a two-day total of 654. Senior Carter Gerard led the way for Haslett as he placed 56th individually with a 162 (77-85). Freshman RJ Zecchino placed 61st with a 164 (83-81) followed by junior Roen

Blue with a 165 (83-82) and junior Luke Blattert with a 166 (86-80).

St. Johns Caps Season At State Meet

St. Johns capped the golf season by finishing in a tie for 15th with a team score of 660 at the D2 finals. Senior Grant Rustad led the way for the Redwings as he placed 25th individually with a 155 (78-77). Junior Ty Wardin placed 57th with a 163 (81-82) while sophomore Elijah Schultz totaled a 173 (85-88).

DIVISION 3

Traverse City St. Francis won its first state golf title since 2008 as it won the Division 3 state title at Katke in Big Rapids. St. Francis totaled a 640 to win the title by 18 strokes over Jackson Lumen Christi. Grand Rapids West Catholic and Grand Rapids Covenant Christian finished in a tie for third place with 668. St. Francis junior David Ansley won medalist honors in a playoff against Elk Rapids sophomore Baron Vollmer as both golfers totaled a 152 for the tournament. Millington junior Brad Coleman finished two strokes behind in third place with a 154.

Chippewa Hills Places Eighth At State

The Chippewa Hills golf team closed out the season by placing eighth at the Division 3 state finals with a 688 total. The Warriors were led at the state meet by senior Cameron Morgan who finished eighth individual with rounds of 78 and 80 for a 158 total. Senior Brandon Slasor and junior Dylan Boerma both finished in a tie for 36th with a 170 total.

Lansing Catholic Places In Top Ten At State Meet

The Lansing Catholic golf team capped the season by placing eighth at the Division 3 state finals with a 689 total. The Cougars were paced at the state meet by senior Cole Hutchinson who finished sixth individually with a 157 (82-75). Junior Hayden Riley finished 39th with a 171 while senior Jack McGinnity placed 42nd with a 172. Freshman Adam Killingsworth totaled a 189.

Essexville-Garber Wraps Up Season At State Meet

Essexville-Garber capped the season by placing ninth at the Division 3 state finals with a team total of 691. Senior Owen Halstead led the way for Garber as he carded rounds of 80 and 82 to place 16th as an individual. Sophomore Jonah Williams placed 36th overall with a 170 total while sophomore Lucas Schiefer totaled a 177 and senior Owen Prokopenko totaled a 183.

Alma Golfers Compete At State Finals

The Alma golf team wrapped up the season by taking 13th place at the Division 3 state finals with a team score of 691. Junior Cooper Couch led the way for Alma as he placed 42nd individually with a 172 (87-85) total. Freshman Jamison Ferguson was 47th with a 174 (89-85). Sophomore Koby



Shunk finished with a 184 while junior Keegan Crowe fired a round of 84 on the second day of the tournament.

Area Golfers Place In Top Ten Individually

Belding junior Brad Jenks and Bullock Creek junior Colton Lower tied for ninth as individuals at the Division 3 state finals. Jenks and Lower finished with rounds of 159. Shepherd junior Talan Bailey also qualified as an individual and placed 61st with a 178.

DIVISION 4

Clarkston Everest Collegiate won the Division 4 state title for the second year in a row. Everest finished with a team total of 664 to outpace Grandville Calvin Christian by eight strokes. Hillsdale Academy placed third with a 674. Clarkston Everest junior Will Pennanen took medalist honors with a 148. Michael Houtteman of Maple City Glen Lake placed second with a 151 and Rykert Frisinger of Hillsdale Academy was third with 155.

Saginaw Nouvel Places In Top Five At State

After placing sixth at the state finals last season, Saginaw Nouvel moved up the charts to finish in fourth place at the D4 state meet with a 679 total. Junior Alex McCarthy led the way for Nouvel as he placed eighth overall with rounds of 81 and 82 for a 163. Senior Giorgio Fabiano placed 13th with rounds of 84 and 83. Sophomores Ian Ziegelmann and lamurri finished in a tie for 36th place with totals of 176.

Breckenridge Golf Team Reaches State Finals

Led by seniors Zane Schmitz and Jaxon Laubscher the Breckenridge golf team competed at the Division 4 state finals. The Huskies finished in 13th place as a team with a team score of 723. Schmitz led the way for the Huskies as he finished 19th individually with a 169 while Laubscher placed 34th with a 175. Sophomore Blaze Snyder added a 190.

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Charlotte Girls Celebrate Championship Season

John Raffel Sports Scene

Coach Jeremiah Jewell had an excellent team at Charlotte this season.

Jewell has been coach for five varsity, and 11 middle school campaigns.

Charlotte had a record of 6-1 in league duals and were CAAC Conference Championship Meet Champions and finished in a tie for first in the CAAC White with Olivet.

"It was another great season, back-to-back league champions," Jewell said. "Before last season the last league championship was in 1981. There were four runner-up trophies on the season and one champion in invitationals. The team exceeded expectations and showed up huge in the league championship and

did everything they needed to in order to win a share of the title.

"It was a very young team again this year, only graduating four seniors this year. The freshman and sophomore classes are very large and very athletic. We lost a very talented sophomore distance/mid-distance runner before the first meet to a surgery and a lengthy rehab, she wasn't able to run most of the season and never really got all the way back before the season ended."

There were many top athletes:

Kayla Ewing – Senior Captain - Hurdler, qualified for states in 100H and 300H. Also part of the 4X100M Relay Team. "Kayla was all conference in all three events," Jewell noted.

Kallie Nichols – Sophomore high jumper/sprinter/relays. She qualified for states in high jump

with a Jump of 5-1. All conference in 4x100 meter and 4x400 meter relays as well as high jump and the 400 meter dash.

McKenna Nichols – Sophomore long jumper/sprinter/relays. Qualified for states in Long Jump with a Jump of 16-6.5. All-conference in 4x100 meter and 4x400 meter relays as well as long jump and the 400-meter dash.

Avery Silvas – Freshman high jumper/800 meter/1600 meter/relays. All conference in high jump, 800 meter, 1600 meters and the 4X400-meter relay.

Elina Byers – Junior sprinter/relays. All-conference in 100-meter dash, 4x100 meter and 4x200 meter Relay. Honorable mention in the 200-meter dash. "Elina came back strong after missing last season with a shoulder injury/surgery that ended her season before it started," Jewell said.



The 2024 Charlotte girls track team.

Helena Goodrich – Freshman distance runner. All conference in the 3,200 meter and honorable mention in the 800 meter and 1600 meter. "Helena is an absolute work horse, and multiple times this season she would PR in the 800, 1600 and 3200 meter races all in the same day while many times running in the 4X800M relay.

There will be some key graduates.

"We're losing Kayla Ewing in the hurdles, no other hurdlers are close to her times yet but they are young and getting better," Jewell said. "There are a lot of the freshman/

sophomores returning that are going to help out next year. Kallie and McKenna Nichols, Avery Silvas, Helena Goodrich, Baylee Moore and Avari Montgomery.

"Next year looks like another strong year with such a large number of underclassmen and only losing a couple seniors. If all goes well we should be in the hunt for a third straight conference championship. We are a young team and continue to improve every day, this group is fun to coach. The core group of kids show up everyday work hard."

Fowler Girls Post State Track Title

John Raffel Sports Scene

Neil Hufnagel's first season as Fowler girls track was a fun one as the team won a state title.

Fowler had an 8-1 dual meet record, was second in the CMAC championship meet and second overall in CMAC.

"We had a great season striving to continue the championship character, attitude and tradition of Fowler girls track," Hufnagel said. "We had challenging goals for the year including using our talents and gifts to make track a positive experience for all team members, winning the CMAC, Regional, and legitimately competing for a state title.

"While falling short of our goal of winning the CMAC title, we were successful in reaching our other goals including using our talents and gifts to win the regional and D4 state titles."

Fowler had 70.5 points to finish well ahead of Portland St. Patrick with 44.

We had invitational wins at the Chesaning and Hillsdale Invites, won our D4 Regional at Breckenridge, and won the D4 state championship," Hufnagel said. "The only real challenge we faced was a late start to the season for several of our key contributors as they played in the D4 state basketball championship game the last Saturday in March. With spring break the following week, those girls didn't truly start practicing until the first week of April.

"Our team had extraordinary depth, especially in the sprints and mid sprints. This allowed us to free up some top performers to score in individual events while our deep, talented roster filled legs in our championship caliber relays."

State meet finishes for key team members included:

Junior Katie Spicer placed in four individual events at the state meet including second in long (17-4.25 PR) and 100 meters, third in 200 meters and sixth in 400 meters. "Katie won the long jump 100, 200 and was second in the 400 in the

CMAC championships," Hufnagel said.

Senior Alayna Vandegriff was third in the pole vault and ran on the fourth place 4x100 and 4x200 relays and the first place 4x400 relay. "Alayna tied the pole vault school record with an outstanding 10-6 vault," Hufnagel said.

Senior Grace O'Hare ran legs on all four state meet placing relays consisting of 4x800 eighth, 4x100 and 4x200 both fourth, and 4x100 first.

Junior Ella Hufnagel was fifth in the 400 meters and anchored the three sprint relays, 4x100 and 4x200 both fourth, and 4x100 first - including a 59-second anchor leg in the 4x400 to edge out St Pats to win. Ella won the 400m at the CMAC championships for the third straight year.

Junior Kelcie Pung led off the state meet with a 2:24 leadoff leg on the 4x800 for 8th place to score our first points of the state meet. Kelcie was our top distance runner placing in the top 3 in the 1600m, 800m, and 3200m



The 2024 Fowler girls track and field team.

at both the regional and CMAC championships.

Sophomore Paige Thelen was third in the 300m hurdles with a 46.29 personal record and led off the state champ 4x400 relay with an outstanding 61 seconds split.

Sophomore Maria Wieber PRed by over a second to take an unexpected fifth place in the 300 meter hurdles with a 57.80.

Sophomore Michaela Spitzler led off the fourth place finishing 4x100 and 4x200 relays.

Freshman Nadia Shafer placed fourth in the pole vault with a 9-6 PR.

"Seniors Alayna Vandegriff and Grace O'Hare will be greatly

missed, along with senior Rebecca Smith who ran on the state placing 4x800 relay and was our top thrower this year in both the shot and discus," Hufnagel said. "We will have a solid group of returning athletes, and will be looking to sustain the momentum from this year to assure a positive a rewarding experience for all of our team members.

"Just want to acknowledge previous girls track coach Jill Feldpausch who retired from coaching last year and left the cupboards absolutely packed with talent leading to this year's success. In roughly 14 seasons, Coach Feldpausch's teams won five state championships and had four runner up finishes."

Charlotte Track Boys Place Fourth In The State

John Raffel Sports Scene

Charlotte track coach Nicholas Perkins couldn't have been happier with how his team performed on June 1 when Charlotte took fourth place at the state finals for Division 2.

It was Perkins' seventh season as Charlotte's head coach.

Charlotte was 7-0 in conference dual meets and split the conference title with Olivet.

"We met expectations as a team, exceeded expectations in some individual events and relays," Perkins said. "We had three broken school records on the season and second place finish at states in 4x200 and 4x400. The team dealt with some lingering injuries throughout the season making it difficult to reach our full potential in the sprint relays."

Top performers:

Cutler Brandt – First year hurdler winning the state title in the 300m hurdles and a true swiss army knife able to help the team to score points in 11 of 17 events. A leader and integral part of the sprint relays and individual events. Now holds 3 school records.

Maliki Garza – Battled through some injuries on the season but never strayed from remaining a necessary part of the sprint relays. Now holds 2 school records.

Jason Green – Improvement in his sprint times from last season are indescribable. First time participant in the sprint relays he was able to break 2 school records with his team.

Bryce McConnell – Undoubtedly one of the most talented underclassmen in school history, huge improvements from last year in sprints and jumps. Finishing the season with 3 all state awards the program looks forward to his continued development.



Braylon Holmes – A long jump specialist finishing the season as the No. 2 freshman in the state, and a up and coming sprinter will look to fill some big shoes as a successor on the future of Charlotte sprint relays.

"We are only graduating five seniors in 2024, three of which were apart of the record breaking 4x100 and 4x200 teams. Cutler Brandt, Maliki Garza and Jason Green will be tough to replace. Kaiden Holmes will return as a senior and lead the team in the sprints to work towards the goal of continuing our relay success," Perkins said.

"However, with a sophomore class carrying most of the remaining load for the teams success, we look forward to

the continued development of our young athletes. The future of the program rests firmly on a very talented sophomore class in Bryce McConnell, Evan Colosky, Phoenix Lawton, Grant Conley and Gage Johnson. Accompanied by our outstanding freshman Braylon Holmes in the long jump and sprints, and incoming freshman hurdler Tyler Densmore, the program should be able to continue improving."

Perkins added: "After securing our third consecutive undefeated conference title, this young group of athletes know how to win and I look forward putting what they have learned from this years seniors when we return next spring."

Fowler Boys Win Exciting Title Track Meet

John Raffel Sports Scene

It was a close one in the 2024 Division 4 state finals but coach Brett Schafer's Fowler track and field squad was able to hold back Detroit Fredric Douglass 56-52 for first place on June 1.

He has been coach nine years.

"We finished up second in our league," Schafer said. "It was the best season we have had in a long time. Great athletes and an incredible coaching staff, parents and community. Won the state championship this year with the boys and girls. Hard to describe but what a day for Fowler track and field.

"We decided at the start of the season, we wanted to hang a banner in the gym. Well we did it on June 1. Total teamwork. Team, Team Team. That's what we focused on, team."

Top athletes for Fowler this season:

Brady Feldpausch: a 110 hurdles - State Champion; 300 Hurdles - All State (2nd place); 4x200m Relay Team - State Champions; 4x400m Relay Team - State Champions

Nate Spicer: 200m - 4th place (All State); 400m - 4th place (All State); 4x 200m Relay Team - State Champions; m4x400m Relay Team - State Champions

Ford Phillips: 4x200m Relay Team - State Champions; 4x400m Relay



The 2024 Fowler boys track and field team.

Team - State Champions

Ben Kohagen: 4x200m - State

Champions; 4x400m - State

Champions

Carter Lancez: High Jump - 4th Place (All State); Long Jump - 4th Place (All State)

Cole Hufnagel: Discus - 7th (All State).

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Jake PUNCHES had a strong track season for Clare.

Clare Boys Track Team Is Second At State Meet

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Clare finished runner-up to Pewamo-Westphalia in the Division 3 state meet.

"On the guys side, it was one of the greatest finishes in school history with our Division 3 state runner-up finish," Clare coach Adam Burhans said. "Athletes who believed and stuck with the program chose to envision that they could be one of the best groups ever, and in the end, they were. We normally would have won the MHSAA state title with the number of points we scored (47) but it was a dogfight all day with Pewamo-Westphalia, perhaps their best team ever, who tallied 57 on the day.

"People underestimate what it takes to even score at this meet, let alone that many points as a team. It normally takes an elite athlete to score 1 point to be All-State. To score that many on an off-and-on rainy day against that level of competition says a lot."

These athletes were superb:

Andrew Klaus, career PR in the 3,200 (10:13.54). Neiko Ketchum (11-9) and Ethan Reeves (12-9) vaulted well in a non-stop rain. The 3200 relay team of Connor Schmidt, Brayden Schmidt, Kona Crump, and Andrew Klaus ran their fastest time with that group of guys (8:47.26).

The 400 Relay team of Mason Heintz, Joey Bouchey, Jacob Halicek, and Ryan Rodenbo ran the No. 4 time all-time

for our school (44.74).

The 800 Relay team of Jeffrey Schafer, Jacob Halicek, Ryan Rodenbo, and Keagen Paisley was state runner-up and posted the No. 3 time all-time (1:30.37).

Jake PUNCHES was all-state in shot put (51-3) and discus (151-5) -- both tosses ranking No. 6 all-time; and Brad White had a banner day... establishing three school records on the day: the 1600 (4:17.31), the 800 (1:53.16), and as anchor of the state champion 1600 relay team of Owhin Thompson, Jeffrey Schafer, Nic Porter, and White (3:22.38).

Conan Weeks (sophomore) was state champion in the long jump in 22 feet. 2.25 inches.

P-W Boys Win Track State Title

John Raffel Sports Scene

They're celebrating another boys state track and field championship at Pewamo Westphalia.

P-W got the job at the state meet by posting 57 points compared to 47 for Clare.

Pewamo Westphalia had some outstanding performances, led by Trevor Smith who won the 100-meter dash and was fifth in the 200 meters.

Collin Farmer was fourth in the 1,600 meters in 4:21.23 and second in the 3,200 meters in 9:34.58.

In the 4x200 relay, the foursome of Alex Nurenberg, Trevor Smith,

Rylee Arthur and Sam Muirhead were fourth in 1:30.86. The foursome of Wyatt Werner, John Kowatch, Sam Muirhead and Allan George was eighth in 8:19.65.

Gavin Nurenberg was first (60-2) and Dalton Brown was third (54-7.5) in the shot put. Nurenberg was second in the discus (165-11) and Brown was 11th (140-0).

Pewamo-Westphalia finished runner-up last season to Benzie Central in Division 3.

In Division 4, P-W was state champs in 2008 and runners-up the next two seasons.

P-W's girls held their own in their meet with 22 points to take eighth place.



P-W boys are the 2024 state champs.

Kalamazoo Central Boys Win Division 1 Track And Field State Title

David Cook Sports Scene

Following is a look at the Division 1 boys track and field state finals

KALAMAZOO CENTRAL TAKES FIRST

Kalamazoo Central claimed the Division 1 boys state track and field title as it totaled 41 team points. Clinton Township Chippewa Valley finished in a close second place with 39 points while Belleville was third with 38 points.

ROCKFORD BOYS FINISH IN TOP TEN

The Rockford boys track and field team placed ninth overall in Division 1 with a total of 25 points.

Rockford was paced at the state finals by a trio of relay teams that all took third place. The 4x400 relay team of Ben Cummings, Isaac Poot, Kaizer Westgate and Carter Bissell took third in 3:19.91, the 4x100 team of Camden Krusenga, Poot, Sam Coyle and Anthony Bouwhuis took third in 41.68 while the 4x200 relay team of Bouwhuis, Poot, Coyle and Bissell turned in a time of 1:25.66.

Placing individually for Rockford senior Carter Bissell who placed fourth in the long jump (22-8.25) and senior Avery Engel who placed seventh in the 100-meter dash.

SAGINAW HERITAGE ATHLETES PLACE AT STATE

A pair of Saginaw Heritage athletes placed as individuals at the Division 1 state finals. Senior Kenny Lewis led the way for the Hawks as he placed fourth in the 1,600-meters in 4:11.35. Senior Jakevis Neal placed sixth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.06.

MORE AREA STATE PLACERS:

SAGINAW UNITED: Fransco Lee Jr. (7th, 6-5, high jump).

BAY CITY WESTERN: Noah Selvaraj (4th, 1:57.09, 800 meters).

HOLT: Ja'Saivion Taylor (8th, 49.01, 400 meters).

MIDLAND: Merrick Hocking (6th, 56-01, shot put).

OKEMOS: Logan Davis (8th, 6-5, high jump).



Oak Park Girls Run Away With Division 1 State Track And Field Title

David Cook Sports Scene

Following is a look at the Division 1 girl track and field state finals

OAK PARK CAPTURES STATE TITLE

Oak Park claimed the Division 1 girls state track and field title as it totaled 88 team points. Ann Arbor Pioneer finished in second place with 42 points while East Kentwood was third with 40 points.

SAGINAW HERITAGE GIRLS PLACE IN TOP FIVE

Saginaw Heritage placed fifth as a team at the D1 state finals with a total of 30 team points.

Heritage was led by a pair of relay teams that both finished fourth. The 4x100 team of Jaiden Young, Willow Mason, Kaya Arnold and Jordyn Young turned in a time of 47.83 while the 4x200 team of Lexi Ringley, Jordyn Young, Arnold and Mason turned in a time of 1:41.37.

The Hawks also had a pair of sprinters place in two events each as individuals. Mason, a freshman, placed fourth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.33 seconds and took fourth in the 200 meters with a time of 25.20. Junior Jordyn Young took third place in the 200-meter dash in 24.98 and placed fifth in the 100 meters with a time of 12.39.

MIDLAND DOW FINISHES IN TOP TEN

The Midland Dow girls track and field team placed ninth at the state finals with a total of 19 team points.

Dow was led by standout distance standout junior Victoria Garces. Garces placed second in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 10:21.85 and took third in the 1,600-meter run in a time of 4:51.28.

Senior Emma Thomas also placed in a pair of events. Thomas placed seventh in the 400-meter dash in a time of 58.59 and took sixth place in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.49.

GRAND LEDGE PLACES IN TOP 20 AT FINALS

The Grand Ledge girls track and field team placed 15th overall as a team at the Division 1 finals with a total of 12.5 team points. The Comets had a pair of athletes place at the finals as senior Ashley Richburg placed second in the long jump with a leap of 17-11.25 while sophomore Katherine Blue placed fourth in the pole vault as she cleared 11-9.

MORE AREA STATE PLACERS: EAST LANSING: Ariyana James (3rd, 5-6, high jump); 4x200 relay team of Janell Brown, Lola Fore Ogunfolabi, Amelia Biehl, Gabrielle Pruitt (7th, 1:42.60).

HOLT: Lauren Walker (3rd, 2:12.52, 800



meters); 4x400 relay team of Malayna Thompson, Jessica Bossenbroek, Deasia Norman, Lauren Walker (7th, 1:42.60).

LOWELL: Isabel German (2nd, 12-6, pole vault).

MIDLAND: Abigail Shealy (7th, 40-2.75, shot put).

ROCKFORD: Daisy Cox (8th, 10:42.44, 3,200 meters); Greta Caprathe (7th, 17-2.5, long jump).

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Berrien Springs Edges Corunna To Win Division 2 Track And Field State Title

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Following is a look at the Division 2 boys track and field state finals

BERRIEN SPRINGS TAKES FIRST

Berrien Springs claimed the Division 2 boys state track and field title as it totaled 40 team points. Corunna finished in a close second place with 38 points while DeWitt was third with 34 points.

CORUNNA BOYS TAKE SECOND IN STATE

The Corunna boys track and field team capped a big track and field season by placing second at the D2 state finals with 38 points.

Corunna scored major points with a pair of big efforts in the relay events. In the 4x100 relay team of Ota Wilkerson, Wyatt Bower, Tarick Bower and Isaac Jacobs placed second with a time of 42.38. The 4x200 relay team of Logan Herrick, Tarick Bower, Jacobs and Wyatt Bower placed third with a time of 1:29.34.

The Bower brothers also scored plenty of points individually. Tarick Bower placed second in the long jump with a leap of 22-3 and took third in the 100-meter dash in a time of 11.09. Wyatt Bower finished fourth in both the 200 meters with a time of 22.04 and the long jump with a leap of 21-3.

DEWITT PLACES THIRD AT STATE

The DeWitt boys track and field team capped the season by taking third at the D2 state finals with a total of 34 points.

DeWitt was led at the finals by senior Drew Novak who turned in a pair of big performances. Novak placed second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.91 and took third in the 200 meters with a time of 22.0. Ian Fowler placed fourth in the 800 meters with a time of 1:56.31. A trio of DeWitt relay teams also placed. The 4x800 relay team of Jackson Walthorn, Fowler,

Aidan Aldrich and Brennan McKone placed second in a time of 7:50.75. The 4x100 team of Gavin Lord, Jensen Ridley, Novak and Julien Johnson took third with a time of 42.58 while the 4x400 team of Joshua Carpenter, Fowler, McKone and Aldrich placed eighth with a time of 3:27.59.

CHARLOTTE PLACES IN TOP FIVE AT STATE

Charlotte wrapped up the season by taking fourth place at the D2 state finals with a total of 28 points.

The Orioles were led at the finals by senior Cutler Brandt who won the 300 hurdles with a time of 38.48. Sophomore Bryce McConnell also placed seventh in the 400-meter dash with a time of 50.32. The 4x200 relay team of Braylon Holmes, Maliki Garza, McConnell and Brandt also placed second in a time of 1:28.49.

GLADWIN PLACES IN TOP TEN

The Gladwin boys placed ninth in the state in Division 2 with a total of 23 team points.

The Flying G's were led by senior Caleb Palmreuter who placed fifth in the 800 meters with a time of 1:56.95 and sixth in the 1,600 meters with a time of 4:16.65. Junior Drake Ross placed third in the pole vault with a vault of 14-1 while senior Jhace Massey placed sixth in the 200 meters with a time 22.36. Logan Klein placed sixth in the shot put with a put of 53-10. Gladwin's 4x400 relay team of Elijah Christensen, Miles Robinson, Massey and Palmreuter placed fifth in a time of 3:26.73.

MASON ENDS SEASON IN TOP 15

The Mason boys placed 11th at the state finals with a total of 21.5 team points.

Mason was led by senior Tyler Baker who took third place in the 110 hurdles with a time of 14.61 and fifth in the high jump with a leap of 6-3. Senior Cole Ries placed fourth in second in the 110 hurdles with a time of 14.69 while senior AJ Martel placed eighth

in the 300 hurdles with a time of 40.54. The 4x400 relay team of Martel, Ries, Blendi Jahari and Dalton Dunn also placed third with a time of 3:23.87.

FREELAND FINISHES IN TOP 20

Freeland placed 12th at the D2 state finals with a total of 20 points. The Falcons were led at the finals by junior distance standout TJ Hansen who won the 1,600-meter run in a time of 4:11.31. In the field events, senior Samuel Talaga placed fourth in both the shot put and discus. Talaga recorded a toss of 161-1 in the discus and finished with a put of 52-5.75 in the shot put.

MORE AREA STATE PLACERS:

ALMA: Jacoby Dunlap (4th, 6-5, high jump); 4x800 relay of Bodie Heiss, Elijah Baltierra, Ezekiel Baltierra, and Thomas Larson (6th, 7:59.15).

EATON RAPIDS: William Ribby (5th, 13-10, pole vault).

ESSEXVILLE-GARBER: Brady McGee (6th, 156-7, discus).

FRANKENMUTH: Derrick Simmons (3rd, 161-4, discus; 3rd, 59-4.5 shot put); 4x800 relay team of Brett Magnus, Jared Watchorn, Carson Knoll and Landen Wise (4th, 7:54.17).

HASLETT: Nate Carmody (3rd, 9:15.05, 3,200 meters).

HOWARD CITY TRI-COUNTY: Owen Behrenwald (7th, 11.2, 100 meters).

IONIA: Jacob Montgomery (6th, 1:57.01, 800 meters).

LANSING EASTERN: Jeremy Lowe (5th, 21-1.25, long jump).



LANSING SEXTON: Tavvian Smith (4th, 11.12, 100 meters; 5th, 22.30, 200 meters); Hurley Young (8th, 23.22, 200 meters); 4x100 relay of Seth Bouyer, Andre Whitehorn, Young and Smith (4th, 42.61); 4x200 relay of Bouyer, Whitehorn, Young and Smith (5th, 1:29.50).
OWOSSO: Gavin Mecomber (6th, 40.06, 300 hurdles).
WILLIAMSTON: Ben Smith (5th, 6-3, high jump).

Dearborn Divine Child Girls Capture Division 2 State Track And Field Title

David Cook Sports Scene

Following is a look at the Division 2 girl track and field state finals

DEARBORN DIVINE CHILD WINS STATE TITLE

Dearborn Divine Child claimed the Division 2 girls state track and field title as it totaled 46 team points. Yale finished in second place with 39 points while East Grand Rapids was third with 36 points.

SWAN VALLEY PLACES FIFTH AT STATE

Swan Valley placed fifth as a team at the D2 state finals with a total of 25 team points. Senior standout Sydney Kuhn led the way for Swan Valley as she won a pair of individual state championships. Kuhn won the 200-meter dash

with a time of 24.89 and captured the 400-meter dash in a time of 55.06. Kuhn was also a member of the 4x400 relay team along with Mackenzie Morgan, Mackenzie Powell and Grace Spear that placed fourth with a time of 4:05.70.

ST. JOHNS FINISHES IN TOP TEN AT STATE

The St. Johns girls track and field team placed tenth in the state at the Division 2 finals with a total of 17 team points. Freshman Ava Schafer led the Redwings in a big way as she won the 3,200-meter run in a time of 10:39.77, the fastest time in Division 2 in the state the entire season. Senior Ella Schafer also placed as she finished fourth in the discus with a throw of 130-3. The Redwings also had a relay team place at the finals as the 4x800

relay team of Clara Fletcher, Abby Young, Miriam Kloha and Ava Schafer placed seventh with a time of 9:38.76.

FREELAND PLACES 15th AT STATE FINALS

Freeland totaled 13 points to place 15th as a team at the Division 2 state finals. fourth at the Shepherd track and field regional.

A pair of Freeland relay teams placed at the state finals as the 4x400 relay team of Lily Hileman, Addie Seemann, Clara Kaczor and Karie Keefer finished third with a time of 4:04.11 while the 4x800 relay team of Seemann, Kaczor, Jada Prescott and Keefer placed fourth with a time of 9:29.05. Kaczor, a freshman, also placed as an individual as she finished seventh in the 1,600-meter



run with a time of 5:01.91.

MORE AREA STATE PLACERS:

ALMA: Joy Evans (3rd, 58.16, 400 meters).

DEWITT: 4x800 relay team of Autumn Thompson, Ayla, Holben, Mia Williams and Kayla Williams (3rd, 9:27.98).

EATON RAPIDS: Marra Collins (4th, 11-0, pole vault).

FRANKENMUTH: Mary Richmond (7th, 11:01.39, 3,200 meters); 4x800 relay team of Richmond, Kaitlyn Miller, Lucy Conzelmann and Natalie Foltz (2nd,

9:22.79).

HASLETT: Christina Dixon (4th, 58.21, 400 meters).

LANSING SEXTON: Cayla Bouyer (5th, 12.55, 100 meters).

MASON: 4x800 relay team of Josi Lator, Meghan Ford, Jackie Hebert and Jocelyn Shattuck (6th, 9:35.79).

OWOSSO: Libby Summerland (5th, 10-9, pole vault); Gabrielle Hufnagel (7th, 46.96, 300 hurdles); Peyton Spicer (7th, 5-3, high jump).

SHEPHERD: Jayla Vautrin (7th, 16-6.75, long jump); Kendell Wilcox (7th, 5-3, high jump).

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Pewamo-Westphalia Boys Capture Division 3 State Track And Field Crown

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Following is a look at the Division 3 boys track and field state finals

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA TAKES FIRST

Pewamo-Westphalia claimed the Division 3 boys state track and field title as it totaled 57 team points. Clare finished in second place with 47 points while Detroit Edison was third with 32 points.

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA WINS STATE TITLE

The Pewamo-Westphalia boys track and field team totaled 57 points to come home with Division 3 state track and field title.

The Pirates were led by a pair of individual state champions. Senior Gavin Nurenberg won the shot put with a put of 60-2. Nurenberg also placed second in the discus with a throw of 165-11. Junior Trevor Smith won the 100-meter dash in 10.81 and also placed fifth in the 200-meter dash in 22.15. Senior Collin Farmer placed in a pair of events as he took second in the 3,200-meter run (9:34.58) and fourth in the 1,600-meter run 4:21.24. Senior Dalton Brown also placed third in the shot put (54-7.5). The Pirates also placed in a pair of relays. The 4x200 relay of Alex Nurenberg, Trevor Smith, Rylee Arthur and Sam Muirhead placed fourth while the 4x800 relay of Wyatt Werner, John Kowatch, Muirhead and Allan George took eighth.

CLARE TAKES SECOND AT STATE

The Clare boys finished second in the state in Division 2 with a total of 47 points.

Senior Brad White led the way for the Pioneers as he won the 800 meters in a time of 1:53.16 and placed third in the 1,600 meters (4:17.31).

In the field events, Conan Weeks won the

state title in the long jump with a leap of 22-2.5. Senior Zach Punches placed second in the discus (151-5) and eighth in the shot put (51-3).

Clare also won a relay title as the 4x400 relay team of Jeffrey Schafer, Owen Thompson, Nic Thompson and Brad White turned in a time of (3:22.38). The 4x200 relay team of Schafer, Ryan Rodenbo, Jacob Halicek and Keagen Paisley took second in a time of (1:30.37).

ITHACA PLACES IN TOP TEN

The Ithaca boys track and field team finished in ninth place with 18 points at the Division 3 state track and field finals.

Ithaca was led at the finals by its relay teams. The 4x100 relay team of Jackson O'Neil, Nicholas Mikesell, Ryley White and Nathan Mikesell took second with a time of 43.01. The 4x800 team of Thad Whitmore, Jacob Mankey, Landon Styka and Miingen Bertrand placed seventh with a time of 8:14.7.

Individually, sophomore Landon Styka placed third in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 9:35.52 while junior Miingen Bertrand took seventh in the 3,200 meters with a time of 9:39.45.

MORE AREA STATE PLACERS:

BATH: Luke Skidmore (2nd, 14-0, pole vault); 4x400 relay team of Bradlee Uhlmann, Andrew Koenigsnecht, Cole Chamberlain and Nolan Rowley (6th, 3:28.10).

BULLOCK CREEK: Chris Tetloff (6th, 50-2, shot put).

CENTRAL MONTCALM: Graham Coston (7th, 4:24.20, 1,600 meters; 8th, 9:40.83, 3,200 meters).

CHESANING: Zach Harlan (6th, 22.20, 200 meters); Caleb Walker (4th, 15.11, 110 hurdles); Eric Barancik (8th, 6-3, high jump).



HEMLOCK: Matthew Johnston (3rd, 40.05, 300 hurdles).

LAINGSBURG: Jack Borgman (5th, 13-3, pole vault); Mitchell George (5th, 6-4, high jump).

LAKEVIEW: Grant Wheaton (6th, 15.18, 110 hurdles).

LANSING CATHOLIC: Leland VanAlstine (8th, 15.25, 110 hurdles; 4th, 40.1, 300 hurdles).

OID-ELSIE: Tryce Tokar (State champ, 14-3, pole vault).

SAGINAW VALLEY LUTHERAN: Preston Kelsey (2nd, 21-8.25, long jump).

SANFORD-MERIDIAN: Tyler Heal (8th, 4:24.44, 1,600 meters), Sawyer Malloy (2nd, 6-7, high jump); Nickolas Metzger (4th, 21-2.75, long jump).

ST. LOUIS: Landon Pestrue (5th, 4:23.91, 1,600 meters; 5th, 9:39.17, 3,200 meters).

Hart Girls Win Division 3 State Track And Field Championship

David Cook Sports Scene

Following is a look at the Division 3 girl track and field state finals

HART CAPTURES STATE TITLE

Hart claimed the Division 3 girls state track and field title as it totaled 53 team points. Onsted finished in second place with 40 points while Olivet was third with 38 points.

LANSING CATHOLIC TAKES SIXTH AT STATE

The Lansing Catholic girls track team placed sixth at the Division 3 state finals with a total of 25 team points. The Cougars were led by Tessa Roe. Roe placed second in both the 1,600-meter run (4:58.49) and the 3,200 meters (10:56.35). Freshman Grace Wonch also placed eighth in the 800-meter dash (2:21.39). Lansing Catholic's 4x800 relay team of Frances Melinn, Wonch, Kaitlin Ludwig and Roe placed second with a time of 9:48.06.

PEWAMO-WESTPHALIA PLACES IN TOP TEN

Pewamo-Westphalia finished eighth at the Division 3 state finals with a total of 22 team points.) and placed second in the 1,600-meter run.

The Pirates were led by junior Whitney

Werner who placed fourth in both the 800-meter run (2:19.11) and the 1,600 meters (5:01.44). Senior Addison Trierweller also placed fifth in the pole vault (10-0). A pair of Pirate relay teams also placed as the 4x800 relay of Werner, Abbie Schneider, Allison Nurenberg and Victoria Hengesbach placed third (9:55.45) and the 4x400 relay team of Hengesbach, Werner, Kennedy Schneider and Elly Bengel placed seventh (4:13.17).

MONTROSE THROWER WINS STATE TITLE

Montrose freshmen Addyson Stiverson turned in a big effort at the Division 3 state finals. Stiverson won the state championship in the shot put with a put of 44-9.5 and placed second in the discus with a throw of 131-6. The 18 points scored by Stiverson enabled Montrose to finish in 12th place as a team.

MORE AREA STATE PLACERS:

BATH: Destiny McDaniels (5th, 16-3, long jump; 8th, 15.72 100 hurdles).

CENTRAL MONTCALM: Kyah Hoffman (4th, 11:09.99, 3,200 meters); 4x800 relay team of Grace Coston, Ruth Jurden, Ashley Choponis and Kyah Hoffman (8th, 10:07.24).

CHIPPEWA HILLS: Hannah Abbott (7th, 15.70, 100 hurdles).

EVART: Nyah Bell (8th, 47.23, 300 hurdles).



ITHACA: Izabelle LaLone (8th, 15-10, long jump); 4x400 relay team of Madison Montgomery, Libby Maurer, Izabelle LaLone and Myleigh Hephner (5th, 4:12.68).

LAKEVIEW: Arianna Musso (4th, 59.04, 400 meters); Ava Johnson (6th, 15.62, 100 hurdles); Kamryn Salladay (7th, 5:10.54, 1,600 meters).

MORLEY-STANWOOD: Miranda McNeil (8th, 11:21.29, 3,200 meters).

NEW LOTHROP: Katelyn Wendling (2nd, 58.57, 400 meters; 3rd, 12.54, 100 meters); 4x100 relay team of Lily Bruff, Laina Yates, Elizabeth Heslip and Katelyn Wendling (6th, 50.28).

SARANAC: 4x200 relay team of Alyssa Possehn, Raeann Johnson, Gabby Vroman and Sophia Desjarden (6th, 1:48.71).

ST. LOUIS: Natalee Hoyt (6th, 10-0, pole vault).

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Fowler Boys Bring Home Division 4 State Track And Field Championship

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Following is a look at the Division 4 boys track and field state finals

FOWLER TAKES TOP SPOT IN D4

Fowler claimed the Division 4 boys state track and field title as it totaled 56 team points. Detroit Douglass finished in second place with 52 points while Kalamazoo Hackett was third with 44 points.

FOWLER WINS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Fowler brought home the Division 4 boys track and field state title with a total of 56 points.

The Eagles were led by junior standout Brady Feldpausch who won the 110 hurdles in 14.57 and placed second in the 300 hurdles (38.68). Junior Nate Spicer finished fourth in both the 400-meter dash (50.77) and the 200 meters (22.98). In the field events, senior Carter Lance placed fourth in the high jump (6-4) and seventh in the long jump (20-4.25).

A big key to the win were the relay teams that bagged a pair of state championships. The 4x200 relay team of Feldpausch, Ben Kohagen, Ford Phillips and Spicer won with a time of 1:30.24 while the 4x400 team of Feldpausch, Kohagen, Phillips and Spicer took first with a time of 3:26.43.

MORRICE TAKES SIXTH AT STATE

Morrice placed sixth at the D4 finals with a total of 25 team points. Sophomore Oliver Long led the way for the Orioles as he won the state title in the shot put with a put of 52-9.75. Junior Logan Smith placed in three events as he finished second in the 100-meter dash (11.5), fifth in the 300 hurdles (41.61) and sixth in the 110 hurdles (15.73).

BEAL CITY PLACES IN TOP TEN

Beal City totaled 23 team points to finish in seventh place at the D4 state finals. The Aggies were led by senior Kylis Fletcher who placed second in the discus (152-1) and third in the shot put (50-4.5). Freshman Aaron

Locke placed third in the pole vault (12-3). The 4x200 relay team of Neil Finnerty, Aaron Locke, Landon Davis and Jamisen Latham placed sixth with a time of 1:33.43.

VESTABURG RUNNER SETS RECORD

Vestaburg senior Owen Patton capped his high school career in record fashion. Patton won the D4 state title in the 800-meter run with a meet-record time of 1:53.53.

MORE AREA STATE PLACERS:

BRECKENRIDGE: Zander Mapes (3rd, 150-9, discus; 4th, 50-4, shot put.); Sawyer Stoneman (6th, 9:49.01, 3,200 meters).

BYRON: Drew LaFave (8th, 6-0, high jump).

MONTABELLA: Cooper Bolton (4th, 12-0, pole vault).

SAGINAW NOUVEL: Brandon Murphy (6th, 48-4.75, shot put; 6th, 135-9, discus).

VERMONTVILLE MAPLE VALLEY: Evan Brandenburg (3rd, 21-4.75, long jump).



Fowler, Girls Run Away With Division 4 State Track And Field Title

David Cook Sports Scene

Following is a look at the Division 4 girl track and field state finals

FOWLER CAPTURES STATE TITLE

Fowler claimed the Division 4 girls state track and field title as it totaled 70.5 team points. Portland St. Patrick finished in second place with 44 points while Saugatuck was third with 34 points.

FOWLER DOMINATES AT STATE

Fowler totaled 70.5 team points to dominate the action at the Division 4 state finals.

Balance was key to the win for the Eagles who were led by junior Katie Spicer. Spicer placed in four events as she took second in both the long jump (17-4.25) and the 100 meters (12.83), third in the 200 meters (26.58) and sixth in the 400 meters (1:00.33). Also placing as individuals for Fowler were sophomore Paige Thelen who was third in the 300 hurdles (46.29), junior Ella Hufnagel who was fifth in the 400 meters (1:00.05), senior Alayna Vandegriff who took third in the pole vault (9-6) freshman Nadia Shafer who was fourth in the pole vault (9-4) and Maria Wieber who was fifth in the 300 hurdles (47.80).

Fowler also scored points in all four relay events led by the 4x400 team of Paige Thelen, Grace O'Hare, Alayna Vandegriff and Ella Hufnagel who won a state title in a time of 4:08.44. also placing were the 4x200 relay team of Michaela Spitzley, Grace O'Hare, Alayna Vandegriff and Ella Hufnagel who took fourth, the 4x100 team of Spitzley, O'Hare, Vandegriff and Hufnagel who placed fourth and the 4x800 team of Kelcie Pung,

Isabella Halfmann, Rebecca Smith and O'Hare who took eighth.

PORTLAND ST. PATRICK WINS REGIONAL

The Portland St. Patrick girls track and field team capped the season by placing second in Division 4 with a total of 44 team points.

Rylee Scheurer led the way for St. Patrick as she placed second in the 200 meters (26.30) and third in the 100-meter dash (12.91). Senior Sophia Schrauben also placed in a pair of events as she took fourth in the 300 hurdles (47.62) and sixth in the 100 hurdles (16.33). Kenzie Fedewa placed seventh in the 400-meter dash (1:00.81).

The Shamrocks also turned in some big efforts in the relay events. The 4x200 team of Izzy Kissane, Sophia Schrauben, Kenzie Fedewa and Rylee Scheurer led the way as they won the state title in a time of 1:45.09. The 4x400 relay team of Sienna Schafer, Schrauben, Fedewa and Kissane took second (4:08.95) while the 4x100 team of Kyra Kinsman, Kissane, Fedewa and Scheurer placed seventh (51.81).

MORE AREA STATE PLACERS:

BRECKENRIDGE: BayLeigh Clapp (4th, 16-9.25, long jump); 4x100 relay team of Raegyn Mayer, Kylo Riedel, Kayla Goward and BayLeigh Clapp (8th, 52.09); 4x800 relay team of Avery Westall, Tori Most, Danica Aldrich and Ally Schmitz (7th, 10:18.21).

BYRON: Shayla Bacon (4th, 5-1, high jump).

COLEMAN: 4x100 relay team of Maddy Miller, Ava Gross, Denise Baldoni and Nevaeh Chaffee (5th, 51.63).

LANSING CHRISTIAN: Ava Mustapha



(2nd, 45.18, 300 hurdles; 3rd, 15.94, 100 hurdles).

MT. PLEASANT SACRED HEART: Karis Terwilliger (6th, 48.02, 300 hurdles; 8th, 4-11, high jump).

ST. CHARLES: Macie Hafner (6th, 4-11, high

jump).

VESTABURG: Abigail Davis (4th, 5:12.11, 1,600 meters; 4th, 11:25.33, 3,200 meters); Mickiah Allbee (8th, 1:00.82, 400 meters).

WEBBERVILLE: Ryleigh Nelson (3rd, 17-2, long jump; 5th, 5-1, high jump).

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Area Teams Volley For Titles In State Tennis Tournament

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The following is a recap of the girls tennis state tournament and a look at how some of the top local teams fared in post-season action.

DIVISION 1

Clarkston Claims D1 State Title

Clarkston put an end to Ann Arbor Pioneer's three-year dominance in Division 1 as the Wolves captured the D1 state title with 28 points. The title was the first for Clarkston since 2011. Utica Eisenhower placed second with 22 points while Ann Arbor Pioneer, who came into the finals as the three-time defending state champions, placed third with 19 points.

Rockford Places In Top Ten At State Finals

The Rockford tennis team finished the season by placing 10th at the Division 1 state meet with a total of nine points. Rockford was led at the finals by a trio of doubles teams that reached the quarterfinal round. The No. 1 doubles team of junior Alayna Gee and senior Kara Wiegard, the No. 2 doubles team of senior Anna Ducey and junior Avery Marchlewski and the No. 4 doubles team of juniors Kayleigh Koster and Halle DeMan all reached the quarterfinal round to lead the Rams.

Rockford qualified for the state finals by placing second at the Holland West Ottawa regional. The Rams were paced at the regional by their doubles teams as the No. 1, 2 and 4 doubles teams all won regional titles.

Okemos Finishes 11th At Tennis Finals

The Okemos tennis team capped the

season by placing 11th at the Division 1 state finals. Okemos was led at the finals by sophomore Isabelle Hult. Hult, who was seeded second at No. 2 singles, finished as the state runner-up. Freshman Isabella Portney reached the quarterfinal round at No. 1 singles. In doubles play, the No. 4 doubles team of senior Bryden Sanders and junior Sarah Hampton reached the quarterfinal round.

Okemos qualified for the state finals by winning the title at the Battle Creek Lakeview regional. Portney and Hult both won individual regional titles. Senior Ruby McKay also won the regional title at No. 3 singles. Okemos also swept all four flights in doubles play at the regionals with seniors Yasmin and Leila Booncharoen-Jelassi winning at No. 1 doubles, senior Olive Dalinowski and junior Grace Wang winning at No. 2, sophomore Joanna Deng and junior Christina Joseph winning No. 3 and Sanders and Hampton winning No. 4.

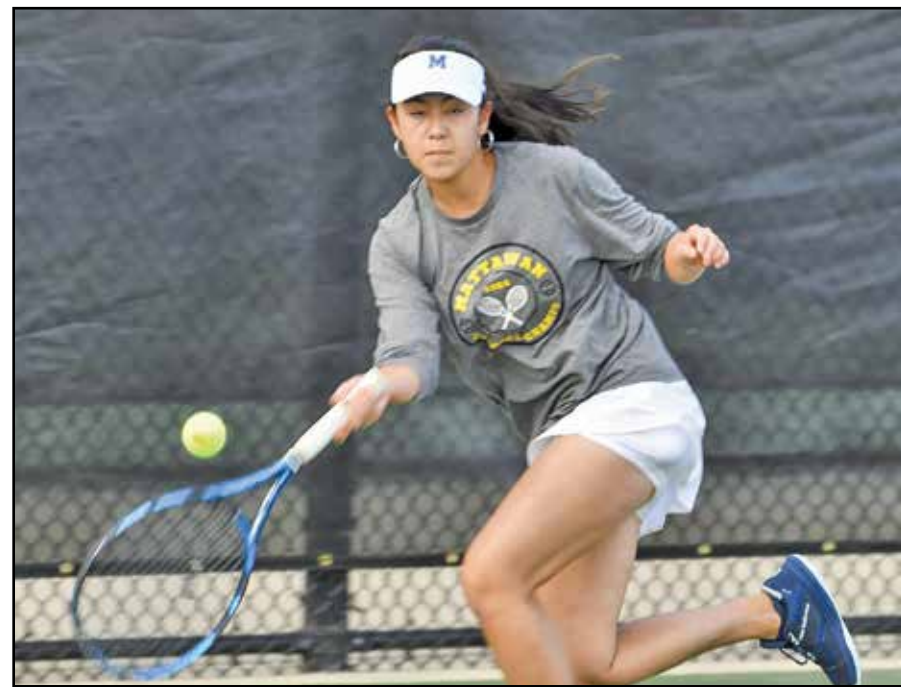
DIVISION 2

Forest Hills Northern Wins D2 State Crown

Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern captured the Division 2 state championship for the third time in the past four years. The Huskies totaled 29 points to win the title followed by last year's champion, Birmingham Seaholm, which finished in second place with 23 points and Farmington Hills Mercy who took third with 22 points.

Midland Dow Caps Season In Top Five At State

The Midland Dow tennis team finished fifth in the state at the Division 2 state finals with a total of 19. Dow was led in singles play freshman Nishi Narayan who reached



the semifinals at No. 3 singles. Junior Dalton DeBoer reached the quarterfinals at No. 1 singles while junior Elisa Costeux reached the quarterfinals at No. 4 singles. DeBoer, Narayan and Costeux were also regional champions this post season.

The Chargers also received strong play by their doubles teams. The No. 1 doubles team of juniors Ayesha Middha and Anya Narayan reached the semifinals while the No. 2 doubles team of sophomores Norah Lacher and Sachi Togashi reached the quarterfinals. The No. 3 doubles team of juniors Lauren Yao and Alexa Leiti reached the semifinals as did the No. 4 doubles team of senior Evelyn Wang and junior Evie Price.

East Lansing Finishes 12th At Tennis Finals

The East Lansing tennis team capped the season by placing 12th at the Division 2 state finals with a total of six points. The Trojans were led at the state finals by the No. 2 doubles team of junior Elsa Elhenicky and senior Erika Stokstad who reached the quarterfinals. Stokstad and Elhenicky were

also regional champions this season.

East Lansing earned a trip to the state finals by winning the regional title at the regional it hosted. Along with the No. 2 doubles team, the Trojans were also led at the regional by the No. 1 doubles team of senior EmmaMae Baker and freshman Evie Laxton and the No. 4 doubles team of sophomores Allison Drzal and Grace Knake who also won regional championships.

DeWitt Tennis Wraps Up Season At State Meet

The DeWitt tennis team wrapped up the season by competing in the Division 2 state finals. The Panthers scored a total of five team points and finished in 14th place overall. DeWitt was led at the finals by junior Courtney Novak who reached the quarterfinals at No. 2 singles.

DeWitt qualified for the state meet by taking second place at the East Lansing regional. DeWitt was led at the regional by Novak who won the title at No. 2 singles and the No. 3 doubles team of junior Spencer Wood and senior Madilyn Baldwin who also

won a regional title.

DIVISION 3

Detroit Country Day wins D3 state championship

Detroit Country Day captured the Division 3 state championship for the first time since 2021 as it totaled 33 points. Birmingham Cranbrook Kingswood, who came into the finals as the two-time defending state champion, placed second with 29 points while Chelsea finished third with 24 points.

St. Johns Ends Season Competing At State Finals

The St. Johns tennis team wrapped up the season by competing at the Division 3 state finals where it finished in 14th place with four team points. The Redwings were led at the finals by the No. 4 doubles team of junior Caroline Parsons and sophomore Emersyn Sturgis who reached the quarterfinal round.

St. Johns qualified for the state finals by taking second place at the Haslett regional. Senior Isabel Thelen led the way for the Redwings at the regional as she won the No. 1 singles title. Senior Lily Howell also won the regional title at No. 3 singles.

Mason wraps up season at state finals

Mason capped the tennis season by placing 18th at the Division 3 state finals with a total of three points. The Bulldogs were led at the state finals by junior Gabby Hanover who reached the quarterfinals at No. 1 singles.

Mason qualified for the state meet by winning the regional title at Haslett. The Bulldogs were led at the regional by Ava Hauser who won the regional title at No.

2 singles and Jennah Lattig who won the title at No. 3 singles. The Bulldogs also won three titles in doubles play. Seniors AshLynn Putman and Catherine Ehresman won the title at No. 2 doubles, seniors Taylor Price and Lindsey Brown won the title at No. 3 doubles while junior Isabel Hauser and senior Anabelle Greenblatt won the title at No. 4 doubles.

DIVISION 4

Ann Arbor Greenhills Extends Reign In D4 With Title

Ann Arbor Greenhills won the Division 4 state championship for the third second straight year. Greenhills turned in a dominant performance at the finals as it won all but one flight in totaling 38 points. Pontiac Notre Dame placed second with 27 points while Traverse City St. Francis placed third with 19 points.

Hemlock Places In Top Ten At State

Hemlock capped the season with a top-ten finish at the Division 4 state finals. The Huskies totaled 10 points to place ninth overall.

Hemlock was led at the finals by its singles players. Senior Sophia Hauffe reached the quarterfinals at No. 1 singles. Sophomore Victoria Hauffe reached the quarterfinals at No. 3 singles while junior Anna Nurnberg reached the quarterfinals at No. 4 singles. The No. 4 doubles team of sophomores Lily Wenzel and Bree Bierman also reached the quarterfinals.

Hemlock qualified for the state finals by winning the title at the Saginaw Nouvel regional. The Huskies swept the singles titles at the regional with Sophia Hauffe at No. 1, junior Carly Siler at No. 2 singles, Victoria

Hauffe at No. 3 singles and Nurnberg at No. 4 singles. Wenzel and Bierman also won a regional title while the No. 2 doubles team of senior Kylee Miller and Jaedyn Mallek won a regional title.

Five Area Teams Place In Top 20 At State

Along with Hemlock finishing in the top ten, five more area tennis teams wrapped up the season by finishing in the top 20 at the Division 4 state finals.

Lansing Catholic finished in 11th place with six team points. The Cougars were led at the finals by senior Mariana Prieto who reached the quarterfinals at No. 2 singles and junior Abby Frank who reached the quarterfinals at No. 3 singles. Prieto and Frank were also regional champions this season.

Saginaw Nouvel placed 12th with a total of four points. Nouvel was led by its No. 4 doubles team of Jveen Murad and Mary Beyers who reached the quarterfinal round.

Frankenmuth finished in 13th place with a total of three team points. The Eagles were led at the finals by senior Shivani Manyarn who reached the quarterfinals at No. 3 singles.

Durand finished the finals with two team points. Leading the way for Durand was the No. 1 doubles team of seniors Raegan Taylor and Jaci Garske who reached the quarterfinals.

Lakewood-Lake Odessa finished the finals with one point.



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