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Flashy Falcon

CBS is blasting opponents with Goldthwaite's golden foot

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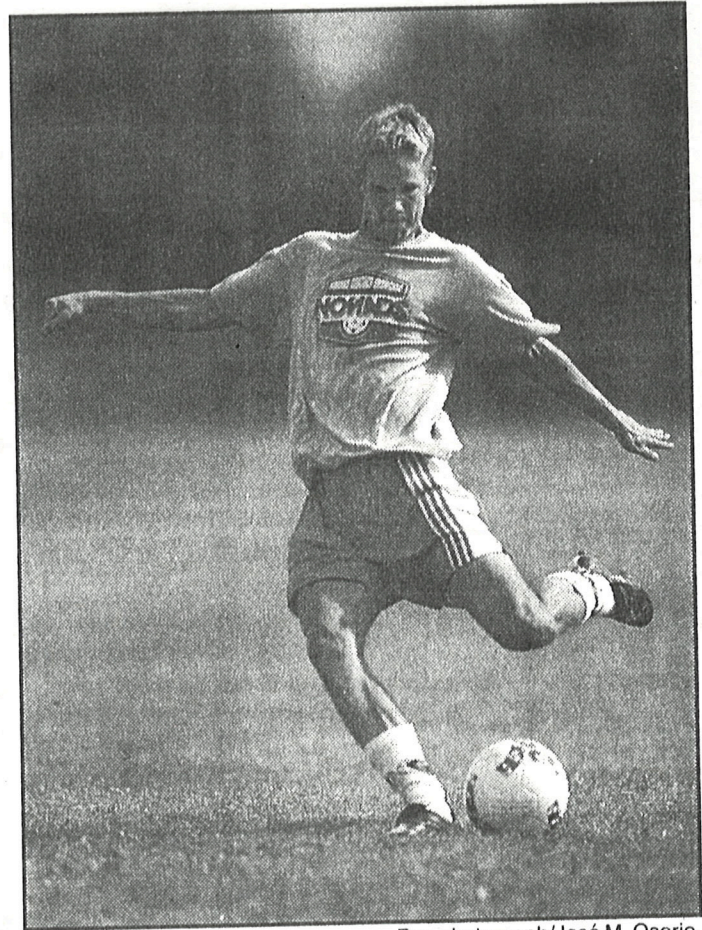
With a cool, calm demeanor and a hint of inordinate cockiness, Kevin Goldthwaite stepped to the halfline during a late August scrimmage against Roseville High School.

As the Christian Brothers' center midfielder took the second-half kickoff, he saw the lull, a brief mental lapse in the eyes of the Tigers' replacement goalie, who was leisurely putting his gloves on. So Goldthwaite booted the ball a good 60 yards toward the net, a bee-line shot that dove as it neared the net and smacked in for a score.

It was by no accounts his coming-out party, as Goldthwaite is a third-year varsity starter on the third-ranked Falcons and possibly the area's strongest field player. The play was simply eye candy for those who have seen him bedazzle many times before.

"The ball went in the upper right V (of the goal), and the keeper just went . . .," Falcons coach Vince Juarez dropped his jaw to complete the reenactment. "He was just totally shocked that a guy would take a shot with that power. And it wasn't a floater; it was what we call a driven ball."

Senior goalie Denis Hoey, who captains the team with fellow seniors Goldthwaite and Andre Schmid, refutes the coach's notion that Goldthwaite is, at all



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