

## SPORTS SHORTS

Items for the Sports Roundup should be submitted by 5 p.m. Tuesday (for Thursday edition) and 5 p.m. Friday (for the Monday edition).

## SOCCER CHAMPIONS

■ Sporting a record of 7-1, the Livonia V Meteors under-14 boys soccer team gained a co-divisional title recently at Total Indoor Soccer.

Members of the Meteors, who outscored their opponents 62-24, include Grant Bowersdorf, Nick Bresnack, Mark DaBiero, Mario D'Herin, Steve Dickinson, Bill Fischer, Matt Freeborn, Dan Hansen, Eric Kelley, Martin Kennedy, Tony Maldonado, Shaun Murray, Kenny Schraufnagle, Andy Shoemaker and Jeremy Studd.

The Meteors are coached by Gary Bowersdorf. His assistant is Gary Freeborn. The team manager is Diane Bowersdorf.

■ The '85 Michigan Wolves, an under-10 boys select team affiliated with the Livonia YMCA, recently won its division at Total Soccer in Farmington with a 7-1 record.

Members of the '85 Wolves, coached by Joe Knorr, include: Tim Allen, Michael Borowick, Michael Budd, Josh Churella, Brian Clement, Brady Crosby, Jeff Echehalt, Wesley Fann, J.T. Katikos, Adam Miller, Keith Mullins, Matt Okopy, Brian Popeny, Mike Simons, Tony Zenn, Brian Zenn and Josh Van Cleef. Assistant coaches include Pat Fredrick and Andy Shiner. The team manager is Edward Allen.

## AAU VOLLEYBALL

Registration and practice for the Sova AAU Junior Olympic development volleyball program will be from 6-6:30 p.m. (12- and 14-and-under); 6-8 p.m. (16-and-under); and 8-9:30 p.m. (18-and-under) Sunday, March 12 and 13 at the Main Gym at Schoolcraft College, 16500 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

For more information, call Tom Teeters at (810) 305-9804 (home) or (313) 462-4400, Ext. 8252 (school).

## SOCCER TRYOUTS

Tryouts are planned for the Farmington Soccer Club's under-19 boys select team. For information call Rocky Patel at (810) 653-8224.

## SOCCER PLAYERS

Experienced women soccer players (age 30 and older) are needed for an indoor and outdoor team. Indoor games are played at Beebe Arena (Nine Mile and Beebe). Call (810) 473-0750 or (810) 478-4080.

## FOOTBALL CLINICS

■ The Spring Tonic Football Clinic for players and coaches will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 18, at Bishop Foley High School in Madison Heights. Among the speakers will be Detroit Northern coach John Dean, Lansing Everett coach Walt Bazylewicz, Dick Kennedy, Bishop Foley coach Tony Petrillo and Birmingham Brother Rice coach Al Fracassa.

Players should come dressed for workouts. Lunch will be provided.

Cost is \$15 per player or coach, or \$12 for groups of seven or more. Nike checks payable to Walt Bazylewicz, 2012 Thomas, Berkeley, MI 48072.

## Emons

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magic last year, but doesn't have enough in the bag of tricks to reach the final this week.

## HONEY, I SHRUNK THE KIDS

Lathrop High Woodland (9-13) Senior Chris Tarnan gives the Warriors a scoring threat, and sophomore Joe Puchala is a rebounder threat. This team has an excellent shot of reaching the Class C final at Oakton St. Alphonsus, but unfortunately that's where fun stops.

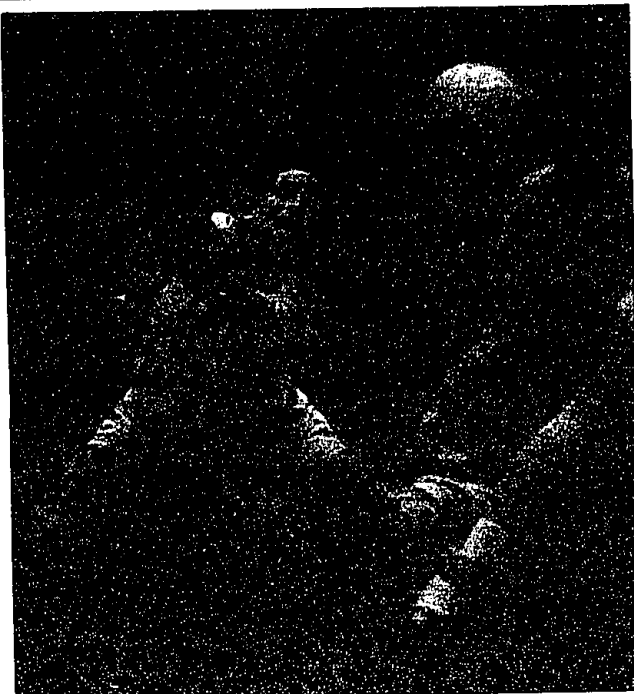
Lincoln Christian (10-13) The Trojans play hard under second-year coach Rick Larson and have a lot of rebounding ability. Matt Berry, Lincoln's 6-7 senior center, must play out of foul trouble.

## MOUSEHOUSE

Plymouth Christian (11-9) Great Lakes is favored to win the Class D district at Whitmore Lake, but players like James Hall give PCA an outside shot of reaching the final.

## THE BABY-BITTERS CLUB

Woodland Home Valley Lutheran (9-14) The Warriors are one of the area's new teams to receive a bye, then it will be bye-day at the Dearborn Heights Lutheran Christian Class D district, where Allen from Iron-Clay Baptist is the favorite.



JOHN STORMER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Extra effort: Senior Ali Lord makes a diving effort to dig the ball and keep it in bounds for North Farmington.

## Clarkston edges Stevenson in 'A' semifinals

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Stevenson's storybook wrestling season came to an end Saturday in the state Class A semifinals at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena.

Clarkston, breaking up Stevenson's vaunted midweight standouts, escaped with a 31-27 triumph in the Michigan High School Athletic Association Team Dual championship.

The Wolves, seeking their second state title, clinched the team victory in the 185-pound match when Joe DeGain rallied from a 6-3 deficit to beat Stevenson senior Matt Fisher, 10-7.

"It was my son and I didn't know what was going on," Clarkston coach Mike DeGain said. "He normally doesn't give up early leads, but he sucked it back up and got what we needed here."

"We needed good, solid match from our kids. Dual meet-wise, it's the best we've wrestled all year."

The pivotal swing, however, occurred in the 172-pound match when Clarkston's Armin Michel-son scored a takedown just as the horn sounded in the third and fi-

nal period to edge Stevenson senior Ben Lewis, 8-6.

"That was big," DeGain said. "Both are great wrestlers and it was a nice, close match decided in the last two seconds."

Lewis, who has won 41 of his 43 matches this season, lost two points early on when he was docked on two different occasions for stalling.

"It's difficult for a kid to receive penalty points for leaving the 10-foot circle early," Stevenson coach Don Berg said. "They (the officials) don't call it all year and now they call it. All we're asking for is consistency, that's all."

"And Ben thought he heard another whistle. We thought he was going to overtime."

With six mats going simultaneously, including the Class B and C-D semifinals, fans were screaming, yelling and cheering from all corners of the 5,000-seat Kellogg Arena.

"I guess we were awed the first time being here and wrestling to midnight (the night before) didn't help," Berg said. "This environment was not like the backyard cafeteria you wrestle in back

down in Livonia, Michigan. It's not even a gym like CC (Redford Catholic Central). Kids get awed in this place."

Despite Lewis' loss, Stevenson still had hopes when Fisher took an early three-point advantage against DeGain.

"Matt almost had us back in the ballgame," Berg said. "It's too bad because he came up big for us all year."

Ironically, Stevenson 215-pounder Craig Martin (42-0) and heavyweight Jim Townsend each scored pins to end the match, but the best-ever Livonia Public School prep wrestling team was already finished at that point.

"Our start in the lower weights was excellent," said Berg, whose team trailed by only four points, 19-15, going into the 160-pound match. "But our degree of intensity in the middle was not there."

Clarkston won seven of the 13 matches, including two by pin (worth six points each) and two technical falls (worth five points apiece).

Stevenson's other pin was registered Jeff Brach (100 pounds), who took just 41 seconds to put down Ken McPherson.

## Volleyball

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"This is three years in a row now they (Harrison) have taken us right down to the end," Central coach Mike Lindstrom said, breathing a sigh of relief after watching his Vikings stay alive in the Class A title chase. "They have a nice team and do a lot of good things."

Lindstrom said he sensed early on his Vikings would have a battle on their hands to keep their district streak alive.

"These girls all year have been hearing about how they're supposed to win this thing," Lindstrom said. "I think that put a lot of pressure on them because everybody was counting on them to win."

The Vikings, 41-11 overall heading into the Class A regional round Saturday, rallied behind three consecutive serves from Heather Miller to win game one.

Lindstrom's spikers appeared headed for a two-game sweep as they grabbed an early lead in game two. But the Hawks battled back behind strong net play from senior Krista Snow and junior Erika Greene to open up leads of 9-5 and 13-9 before senior Jenny Mylinski capped the victory with a pair of thunderous serves.

The decisive third game saw the two teams trading points before the Vikings, behind front-row players Becky Cummings, Heather Miller, Jessica Regentin and Trisha Willfang, slammed their way to a 12-8 advantage. After watching the Hawks claw back to 13-12, the Vikings wrapped up their championship effort on a power slam by Regentin.

"We played a difficult schedule this year and I think that really helped us out here today," Lindstrom said. "We had so many different people step up and play very well."

The Vikings reached the title game on the strength of victories over Farmington (15-9, 15-3) and North Farmington (15-9, 15-8).

## VOLLEYBALL

ALL-WESTERN LAKES  
ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION  
VOLLEYBALL TEAM

ALL-CONFERENCE: Sherry Sims, junior middle hitter, Plymouth Salem; Kari Kuch, senior setter, Plymouth Salem; Karen Gundy, senior outside hitter, Plymouth Salem; Heather Miller, senior outside hitter, Walled Lake Central; Patricia Maldonado, senior setter, Livonia Christian; Jody Deane, senior middle hitter, Livonia Christian; Jen Monaghan, senior outside hitter, Livonia Stevenson.

ALL-LAKES Divisions: Kelly Johnston, senior outside hitter, Plymouth Salem; Paula Dymkowski, senior middle blocker, Plymouth Salem; Courtney Sheldon, defensive specialist, Plymouth Salem; Jessica Regentin, junior middle blocker, Erika Greene to open up leads of 9-5 and 13-9 before senior Jenny Mylinski capped the victory with a pair of thunderous serves.

ALL-Western Divisions: Heather Bort, senior outside hitter, Livonia Christian; Sarah Fabrick, senior middle hitter, Livonia Christian; Andrea Grier, senior outside hitter, Livonia Christian; Melissa Wolk, junior middle hitter, Livonia Christian; Krista Snow, senior setter, Farmington Hills Harrison; Amber Wells, junior setter, Plymouth Canton; Angie Groves, senior outside hitter, Harrison.

## WRESTLING

STATE CLASS A TEAM  
DUAL WRESTLING TOURNAMENT  
at Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena

CLARKSTON 31, STEVENSON 27

Saturday semifinal match

100 pounds: Jeff Brach (15) pinned Ken McPherson, 0:41; 106: Dave Ziemann (2) major decision over Chris Seale, 15:0; 112: Ryan Mack (2) dec. Dave Ziemann, 9-2; 119: Dan Christenson (15) dec. Jason Tetherbach, 5-4; 126: Jesse Laycock (2) p. Ryan Vartogian, 1:23; 134: Corey Grier (5) technical fall over Jon Seta, 16:1; 142: Scott Goldman (15) dec. Chad Aulen, 12-9; 150: Chris Mullett (15) dec. Jeremy Lathrop, 8-2; 160: P.J. Vandemoer (2) p. Chris Jastrzemski, 2:32; 172: Armin Michel-son (15) dec. Ben Lewis, 6-6; 188: Joe DeGain (2) dec. Matt Fisher, 10:7; 215: Craig Martin (15) p. Gordy Golec, 4:10; 278: Jim Townsend (15) p. Josh Schick, 1:20.

STEVENSON 44, BATTLE CREEK 18

Friday consolation match

100: Dan Seiler (15) won by tech, 10:46; Bryce Watson (9) dec. Jeff Brach, 4-3; 112: Jacob Chapman (9) p. Dave Fatzon, 5:20; 119: Chuck Culp (9) dec. Dan Christenson, 6-1; 126: Joe Peters (9) dec. Ryan Vartogian, 6-2; 134: Jon Seta (15) p. Adam Serrick, 1:45; 142: Scott Goldman (15) p. David Watson, 2:55; 150: Chris Mullett (15) dec. Wesley LaPorta, 15-1; 160: Chris Jastrzemski (15) dec. Chris Payne, 14-3; 172: Armin Haggard (9) dec. Ben Lewis, 5-5; 188: Matt Fisher (15) p. Jon Lloyd, 0:31; 215: Craig Martin (15) p. Arnie Salsman, 2:35; 278: Jim Townsend (15) won by tech.

## 1st hurdle cleared

Warriors win regional crown;  
Class A quarterfinal game next

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Mike Jalaba  
Brother Rice Hockey player

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"We've worked hard all year," he said. "All we can do is work hard and keep a positive attitude."

The Warriors certainly maintained a positive attitude against Royal Oak.

Although they outshot the Blades by a 19-2 margin in the opening period, Rice only had a 3-1 lead. The game was tied 1-1 at one point.

Rice, however, kept up the pressure and scored four second-period goals for a 6-1 lead after two

periods. The Warriors iced the game with five third-period goals.

Rice's other scorers besides Jalaba were Owen Townsend (three), Jeff Wojcik (two), Ryan McKindree and Andrew Powrie (one each). Wojcik had four assists and defenseman Brad Bass added three.

"Winning the regional was one of our goals," said Rice coach Mike Brown, whose team outshot Royal Oak 64-8. "We won our division, won our league and now the regional. We've accomplished three of our four goals. We have nine more periods of hockey left to accomplish our fourth goal."

