

# 5 Area Schools Still Unbeaten

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the Canton Chiefs lightly and will be out to make it 13 straight.

Suburban Eight action has an 0-3 Redford Union squad at Bentley which is 1-2. The Bulldogs seek revenge for last year's 3-0 loss to RU, and Coach Glen Goode hopes to catch the Panthers without their growl.

Farmington High and Stevenson are in Inter-Lakes action tonight. The 1-1 Farmington Falcons have a battle on their hands with state-ranked Pontiac Northern on the Huskie gridiron and the 1-2 Spartans of Stevenson are at Walled Lake Central.

Other action tonight has Garden City West (2-1) hosting Crestwood in a key Tri-River battle and the 3-0 Blue Jays of Southfield travelling to 3-0 Hazel Park. Southfield is bouncing off an 0-9 season and first year Coach John Finlayson is the first to accept the fact that his Jays will have to come up with a 200 per cent effort to stay with state-ranked Hazel Park.

Tomorrow's action is highlighted by North Farmington High's homecoming battle with Thurston. This clash has to be a key one in the Northwest Suburban race.

Thurston has scored 98 points in its last two games, which include a 67-0 lashing of Oak Park. North which has been ranked No. 10 in the state is sporting a 2-0 mark.

Two miles away from the Raider gridiron will be another Farmington clash with the Harrison Hawks playing host to Walled Lake Western in a Western Six contest.

A 1-2 Clarenceville club is hosting Waterford Kettering Saturday at 2 p.m. in a Wayne - Oakland dual and 2-1 Bishop Borgess is at Divine Child in a Catholic Double A match.

George Lovich's Franklin squad at 3-0 which like North Farmington has every intention of winning the Northwest will be entertaining a 1-2 Garden City East team on Saturday afternoon (2 p.m.) while Southfield Lathrup plays host to Rochester at 8 p.m.

A surprising 3-0 St. Agatha team is scheduled for a Sunday afternoon contest with Lourdes with the 2:30 p.m. clash being played at Hilbert Junior High.

That's the rundown on the area's prep football card for this weekend, the door for the winners is ready to swing and for the losers, well... there will still be five games remaining after this week-end.



By W.W. EDGAR

An honor that has been a long time coming finally has been bestowed on Marion Ladewig, the Grand Rapids grandmother, and every woman bowler in the state has a reason to feel proud.

She has been acclaimed the "greatest woman bowler of all time" by the veteran bowling writers of America.

Of the 42 members on the committee, Marion was selected No. 1 on 33 ballots. Her closet rival was Mrs. Floretta McCutcheon, long rated the nation's all time queen, who collected only four votes. Others in the top five were Millie Martorella, Doty Fothergill and Sylvia Wene Martin.

Mrs. Ladewig, who has bowled in Observerland, came off the softball diamonds of Grand Rapids to be named "Woman Bowler of the Year" eight times and topped the national all-star field in competition the same number of times during her outstanding career.

The recent revelation that the top male bowlers of the country were soaking their bowling balls in acid to soften the plastic shell is proving to be a challenge to the manufacturers.

They'll have to come up with a ball that has a softer shell and one that will take a better grip on the hard surfaces to produce suitable scores.

Thus far no cases of "ball soaking" have been reported in Observerland.

"There doesn't seem to be as much need for such tactics around here," Ann Setlock, instructor at Garden Lanes, said. "It is only in these places where they use more oil to condition the lanes that a softer shell ball is needed."

A good start doesn't always presage a good ending.

Ray Pederson and Terry Smith are ready to prove it. Bowling in the Bel-Aire Classic, each started with a 279 game and yet couldn't break the 700 barrier. Ray had to be content with a 642 and Terry a 698.

Andy Di Camillo, one of last year's top scorers, showed some of that form again when he placed second to Terry with a 670 and Ed Muir landed third with a 662.

It was a different story in the Westland Classic where Don McLeod turned in a consistent series of 223, 256 and 226 for a 705. At this figure he had a margin of 40 pins over Ron Sharople, his closest rival, while Rick Capaldi was another 12 pins behind with 653.

Only five bowlers were able to reach double century figures in the Garden Lanes Classic.

Al Massecar topped the field with 658 and was followed by Al Rosebury 637, Fred McLean 634, Herb Werner 622 and Dick Preston 621.

He didn't reach 700, but Dennis Muller was well satisfied with a 675 count in the Oak Park Senior House League. It was the highest series bowled in the league this season.

His closest rival was Mark Goodman with 650 and other in order were Phil Goldsmith 634, Archie Denard 627 and Rick Fishman 602.

The race for top honors at Farmington Lanes was the tightest of the season and, finally, Les Harden, bowling in the mixed classic, gained the honor with a 224 in 654. Next in line—and only three pins behind was Don Krahn who posted a 234 in 651 in the Junior House League.

The high game of the week was a 278 contributed by Ron Hamel in the Nite Owls circuit and Mary Ann Brigens-tine paced the Canterbury Belles with a 225 in 532 while Connie Louiska topped the Queens with 246 and Ray Roy headed the Legion league with a 654.

Three women tied for high single honors at Mayflower Lanes. Angie Tantin had a

214 in 580, Viola Lloyd a 214 in 506 and Helen Gaston a 214 that failed to put her over the 500 mark.

Doris Turner moved to the top of the women's Honor Roll at Westland with games of 205 and 209 in 576.

With appropriate ceremonies, Finlay MacQueen will officially open his new 40-lane Plaza Bowl in Plymouth Township on Friday, Oct. 12 at 4 p.m.

For the first time this season, scoring fell off in the Wonderland Classic and Tommy Raney was able to lead the field with a 685.

Gerry Wilson walked off with major honors in the Livonia Ladies Classic with a 492-111-602 that included a high single of 214-37-251. Other high game winners were Lois Merriman 202-23-225 and Delores Dowhan 165-47-212.

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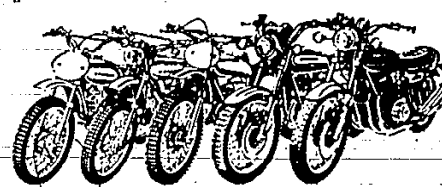
University of Michigan doesn't have a single player on its 1973 roster who has ever been in a losing home game. The Wolverines have won 22 straight in Michigan Stadium since a 40-17 loss to Missouri in 1969.

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Wayne's Ray Nowak took first place honors with a 15:56 clocking with Churchill coming up next with second, third and fourth. Glen Parkinson ran second in 16:11, Don Shaw third in 16:17 and Graig Gully fourth in 16:25.

Brian McGee, of Wayne, finished fifth in 16:32 and was followed by Churchill's George Wright in sixth at 16:32 and Ray Reilly seventh in 16:38.

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