

# Fearless forecasts

## Battles between city rivals fill this week's high school gridiron schedule

By Brad Emons and Chris McCosky staff writers

Excuse the alliteration, but your peerless prognosticators were pathetic last week.

The veteran Emons, who should know better after six years on the job and more than 28 in the area, posted a prediction record of 8-5.

We'll have to excuse the rookie McCosky, who dipped below .500 at 6-7. The two obviously have learned their lessons — we hope. So when you're No. 2, you try harder.

Here are this week's assessments:

**WARREN TOWER at LIVONIA BENTLEY** (7:30 p.m. Friday). The Bulldogs beat Canton in their season opener, 21-7, while Tower opened with a 21-0 win over Lowly Roseville. McCosky's defense may be the key before a home crowd. Picks — Emons and McCosky like Bentley by seven and three, respectively.

**ANN ARBOR HURON at LIVONIA CHURCHILL** (8:30 p.m. Friday). The River Rais has a new coach in Tom Wilson, but it wasn't enough last week as Lansing Sexton prevailed against the Ann Arborites, 20-0.

Churchill, meanwhile, is coming off a mistake-filled 15-17 loss to Franklin. Picks — The coin plays, both prognosticators like the home field advantage — Churchill by three.

**LIVONIA FRANKLIN at LIVONIA STEVENSON** (7:30 p.m. Friday). The air should be filled with football in this one. Stevenson QB Dan Gilmarin looked sharp in a 12-7 win over Redford Union, while passing preservered Franklin's victory over Churchill. The Spartan defense is stronger, however. Picks — Emons and McCosky take Stevenson by 10 and four points, respectively.

**BISHOP BORGESS at REDFORD UNION** (7:30 p.m. Friday at Kraft Field). Borgess showed a balanced at-

tack in beating Riverview 34-0 last week.

Quarterback/receiver Chuck Gregory accounted for 84 yards total offense. RU, meanwhile, showed it could run the ball against Stevenson, but not pass.

Both teams match up well on the lines, but Borgess won this tight duel a year ago. Picks — Emons goes Borgess by eight. McCosky likes Borgess by 10.

**CATHOLIC CENTRAL at YPSILANTI** (7:30 p.m. Friday). The injury-riddled Shamrocks, upset last week by Traverse City, must now contend with one of the top running backs in the state, Eric Ball, who rushed for 299 yards in 24 carries in a 33-27 Ypsi win over Lincoln Park.

CC quarterback Matt Wilczewski proved he can throw, but the CC running game must get into gear. Picks — CC rises to the challenge, both pick the Shamrocks by a touchdown.

**WESTLAND JOHN GLENN at NORTHVILLE** (7:30 p.m. Friday). Both teams are coming off shutout victories. Northville, the home team, hasn't fared well in previous match-ups. The Rockets' quarterback Bob Hawley threw well against Belleville last week.

Picks — Glenn still has the edge. Emons goes with Glenn by six and McCosky likes Glenn by three.

**PLYMOUTH CANTON vs. PLYMOUTH SALEM** (7:30 p.m. Friday at CEP). Canton is coming off a lackluster performance against Bentley and has a lot to prove. The Cats are looking to shake their weak-aider injury.

Salem, meanwhile, is coming off an impressive 12-7 win at North Farmington thanks to the play of a small, but aggressive offensive line, affectionately called the "Smurfs" by coach Tom Moshammer.

This is only the second meeting between the two neighbors, who share the same field at Joy and Canton Center roads. Picks — McCosky likes Salem in a hard-fought game by three. Emons goes with Salem by 12.

**FARMINGTON HARRISON at FARMINGTON** (3 p.m. Friday). The Falcons won their biggest game in years, blanking Southfield last Saturday, 17-0.

Coach Don Kulak cautioned that their performance was not a true test. Well this week they get one with the Hawks, working on a 25-game winning streak. Say no more. Picks — McCosky

goes with Harrison by 17. Emons likes Harrison by 13.

**NORTH FARMINGTON at WALLED LAKE CENTRAL** (7:30 p.m. Friday). An untimely injury to halfback Ken Goss caused North to dramatically alter its game plan against the Rocks last week. The status of Goss's injury is still uncertain.

Central looked impressive in its opener last week, knocking off Millford, 21-8. Central may be one of the more improved teams in the area. Picks — McCosky isn't giving up on the Raiders, takes them by three. Emons likes Central by seven.

**LUTHERAN NORTH at CLARENCEVILLE** (7:30 p.m. Friday). Clarenceville lost a tough opener to Class D power Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes, 12-7, while Lutheran North opened with a victory.

This is the Metro Conference opener for both teams. Clarenceville must show more offense to win. Picks — McCosky goes with LN by a TD, while Emons says it's a happy Cville home opener in overtime.

**GARDEN CITY at DEARBORN FORDSON** (1:30 p.m. Saturday). Fordson, a perennial Class A power, was

surprised by Midland in its opener. GC, meanwhile, looked horrible in a 33-0 loss to Wayne Memorial.

Both teams are hungry for a win, but Fordson may be starving. Picks — McCosky and Emons like Fordson by three and 13, respectively.

**WALLED LAKE WESTERN at REDFORD THURSTON** (1 p.m. Saturday). Thurston trailed 13-0 at the half against Northville and then lost the game 47-0.

Western was beaten by Brighton, 12-

7, in its opener. No coins please for this non-league game. Picks — McCosky likes WLW by 10 and Emons agrees, but by 20.

**REDFORD ST. AGATHA vs. DETROIT REDFORD ST. MARY'S** (7:30 p.m. Saturday at Kraft Field). The young Aggies held off Dearborn St. Alphonsus, 14-9, while St. Mary's was idle last week.

Agatha always seems to have the upper hand in this affair. Picks — McCosky goes with Agatha by 14. Emons concurs, but by only eight.

### the week ahead

#### PREP FOOTBALL

Warren Tower at Liv. Bentley, 7:30 p.m.  
A.A. Huron at Liv. Churchill, 7:30 p.m.  
Liv. Franklin at Liv. Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.  
Bishop Borgess at Redford Union, 7:30 p.m.  
Catholic Central at Ypsilanti, 7:30 p.m.  
Wild John Glenn at Northville, 7:30 p.m.  
Liv. Canton vs. Ply. Salem (CEP), 7:30 p.m.  
Farmington Harrison at Farmington, 3 p.m.  
N. Farmington at Walled Lk. Cent., 7:30 p.m.  
Lutheran North at Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 17  
Garden City at Dearborn Fordson, 1:30 p.m.  
Walled Lk. West. at Red. Thurston, 1 p.m.  
St. Agatha vs. Detroit Redford St. Mary's at RU's Howard Kraft Field, 7:30 p.m.  
**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
Tuesday, Sept. 13  
Farmington at Ply. Canton, 7:45 p.m.  
Liv. Bentley at Farm. Harrison, 7:45 p.m.  
Ply. Salem at Walled Lk. West, 7:45 p.m.  
Novi at Liv. Clarenceville, 7:45 p.m.  
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Dearborn at Liv. Franklin, 7:45 p.m.  
Liv. Stevenson at Northville, 7:45 p.m.  
Bishop Borgess at Redford Union, 7:45 p.m.  
Lakater at Walled John Glenn, 7:45 p.m.  
Garden City at Taylor Truman, 7:45 p.m.  
Bishop Foley at Liv. Lakewood, 7:30 p.m.  
Riverview at Red. Thurston, 7:45 p.m.  
Detroit DePoree at St. Agatha, 7:45 p.m.  
Farm. Hills Mercy Hoop Classic  
Holly vs. Lansing Everett, 8 p.m.  
Our Lady of Mercy vs. Benton Harbor, 7:45 p.m.

### in the pocket

by W.W. Edgar

Although the bowling season is only two weeks old, the assault on the pins already is proving greater than at any other time and some of the all time records may be jeopardized before many moons pass. The Stroh team in the All-Star Classic used this great prediction last week when it rolled a 35-2 series in the Tuesday section at Thunderbowl.

Already there have been a dozen 700 series and several of the classic teams have bettered 3500 both on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"This is the highest scoring opening month we ever have had," the officials said, and from the looks of things some of the records were due to fall.

The 35-2 series posted by Stroh was outstanding in that low man Ralph Fesby had a 644. The pace setter was Bob Chamberlain with a 209 in 770 and Harry Campbell had a 290 in 783. The others were Rocky Garaziana with 693 and Bob Jawor with 672.

**WOODLAND LANES.** Tom Nippa joined the ranks of sharpshooters in the Granddole Men's league when he posted a 737. He opened with a 270 and followed with games of 244 and 223. It was the first 700 of the season in the house.

**BEL-AIRE.** Tom Leonard had no trouble reaching the goal of membership in the 700 club, he used a 279 middle game for a 707 series. Gladys Slezaks topped the women with 248 in 650.

**MERRI-BOWL.** Tom Pritchard won the year's first hard luck honors when he missed a perfect game after running up 11 strikes in a row. With a 300 in his vision he left up two pins in the final frame and his dream was ended.

In the men's doubles Jeff Colliba bowed the way with 643 and Betty Brusseault had a 684 as high game for the women. Her nearest rival was Sandy Paot with a 244.

**WESTLAND BOWL.** In the newly organized men's Monday night league, Bob Novak was high with 665 that included a 338 middle game. Ed Irwin was next in line with 636 and Mack Kotzoway was third with 624, and in the Mound 630 league Pete Chanlogne was tops with 642.

**GARDEN LANES.** Otis Lackey needed only a 601 to pace the Vinco league. This was three pins more than Ed Magatski who lost out in the final frame.

**SUPER BOWL.** In the junior trio league, Cheryl Newton had a 211 in 656 to lead the way. In the Cantonettes loop, Linda Usher had a 209 for high game one pin more than Jo Anne Zachin.

**Winners, losers**  
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For this one Saturday, anyway, Yarema had the easy end of it. He had won. Even the prospect of facing Notre Dame in the Spartans' next game didn't shake his confidence. "Go get 'em, man," he said of the upcoming tussle.

It's bound to be a season full of disappointment and heartache, as well as joyous celebration, for both Humphrey and Yarema. That is the essence of sport.

There will always be winners and losers, solitude on one side of the tunnel, happiness on the other. One thing remains constant in pressurized college sports. As Yarema remarked as he slipped through the interview area:

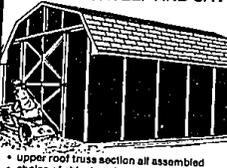
"Man, it's hot in here." For winners and losers alike, it always will be, because one victory is never enough.

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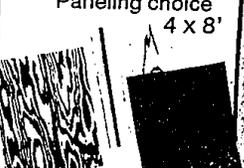


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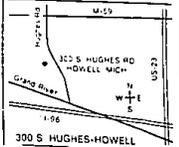
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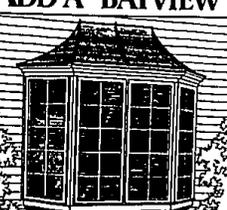
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