

# Stevenson, GC East In Cage Finals

## Livonians Topple Redford In Semi

By BOB McLELLAN  
Livonia Stevenson continued its winning ways in the state basketball tournament by whipping Detroit Redford Wednesday in double overtime, 72-67.

Redford succumbed after overcoming an 11 point fourth quarter deficit and losing three of its starters on fouls in the closing period of regulation play.

LED BY TED EXARHOS' seven points, Stevenson hurried to a 16-13 first period lead. The 5' 11" senior poured in another seven markers in the second period, teammate Ron Hoekstra helped with five and the Spartans walked off the floor at the half with a 30-24 edge.

The Spartans outscored the Huskies, 17-15, in the third stanza, with Exarhos and Hoekstra teaming up for 15 points. This gave Stevenson a 47-39 bulge and it appeared

well on its way to chalking up its 10th victory of the campaign, including its third in tournament play.

Then the roof fell in. Redford threw up a scrambling, full-court press that rattled the Spartan ballhandlers and forced numerous Stevenson turnovers.

Meanwhile, the Huskies, sparked by 16 points from Willard Frederick and Donald Savage, took on new life. And with 15 seconds to go, Savage hit a 12 foot jumper that put the Huskies ahead, 61-60. But Hoekstra dumped in a foul shot with the bonus rule in effect to knot the count, 61-61, with seven seconds to go.

In the first three-minute overtime period, both teams tried to control the ball, holding it for the good shot.

Stevenson's Kelly Smith finally connected on a layup after more than two minutes had gone by. With 31 seconds to go, Clarence Chapman hit

a two-pointer for Redford, tying the contest again, 63-63.

The second overtime period was close only for 90 seconds. The Spartans drew first blood when Exarhos hit two charity shots in a one-and-one setup, but the Huskies' Chapman knotted the fray, 65-65, with a bucket.

Then Stevenson counted five straight points on a basket by Hoekstra and one by Exarhos.

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STEVENSON (72)	G	F	T
Exarhos	1	0	2
Smith	3	3	9
Learnos	11	13	36
White	0	1	1
Holmes	1	0	2
Patrick	1	3	5
Hoekstra	2	4	18
Total	24	24	72

REDFORD (67)	G	F	T
Crawley	1	0	2
Ball	4	0	8
Chapman	7	7	18
Frederick	8	2	18
Savage	8	3	16
Randall	2	1	5
Total	33	23	67



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## Panthers' Stall Ousts Fordson

By ARTEE

Using its patented stall to full advantage in the final four minutes, Garden City East advanced to the finals of the Franklin regional tournament for the second time in four years when it ousted Fordson, 55-45.

The victory sent the Panthers into the championship contest against Livonia Stevenson Saturday (tonight) at 8 p.m. with the winner moving into the quarterfinals of the state's Class A tournament.

The predetermined draw sends the champion against unbeaten Pontiac Central, everyone's favorite to win the title this year after losing in the 1970 finals to Detroit Pershing in an upset.

Site of the quarterfinals will be determined Monday morning in a drawing in the high school commissioner's office in Lansing. It is thought that the Pontiac Central game will be sent to Crisler Fieldhouse on the University of Michigan campus in Ann Arbor.

THURSDAY'S GAME was a bitter struggle for the better part of three periods with the teams knotted at 28-28 after three minutes of the third quarter.

That's when East pulled away on two quick baskets by

Jeff DeHartie for a 32-28 margin and never trailed from that time. Fordson was never out of it until the final three minutes but it was never able to catch up with the Panthers again.

It was 35-31 with 2:11 remaining in the quarter when lanky Dave Jackson flipped in two field goals for a 39-31 edge. Fordson's Pete Mazaris connected with a long one from midcourt at the buzzer to make the score, 39-33 going into the final eight minutes.

Mazaris tossed one in from the corner to open the final stanza for a 39-35 score. Jackson tapped in two successive rebounds to boost East's edge to 43-35 and it appeared as if the gong had sounded for Fordson.

But the Tractors came storming back as Tom Tosh tapped in a rebound and Mazaris stole the ball from Greg Puihes and dribbled in for a short shot that whittled the margin to four points at 43-39.

THAT'S WHEN East coach Billy Joe Young ordered the stall he has perfected during his regime. It was killy bar the door from that time with Fordson fouling repeatedly in an effort to get the ball and East hitting on eight of 10 free throws to put the game out of reach.

The Panthers had control

for almost a minute before Mazaris fouled Puihes, and Greg made one of two, 44-39.

Tosh put the Tractors within three points with a basket from the corner and 2:42 on the clock.

DeHartie was fouled by Steve Latin and converted on both for a 46-41 edge. Puihes was fouled by Alex Masselmany and made both to boost the lead to 48-41. Mazaris kept Fordson within a reach with a long shot.

Puihes was fouled again by Masselmany and made two more for a 50-43 edge. Masselmany broke loose on a fast break to score for Fordson and it was 50-45.

Mike Roller was fouled by Latin and tossed in the first of two tries and the score stood, 51-45. In the remaining 30 seconds, DeHartie was loose twice for short shots to make the final count, 55-45.

GC EAST (55)	G	F	T
Robb	3	1	7
Chenick	0	0	0
Jackson	8	1	17
DeHartie	8	4	16
Puihes	2	6	10
Hayes	2	3	7
Total	25	15	55

FORDSON (45)	G	F	T
Tosh	3	0	6
Gibbala	4	1	8
Friedrich	1	2	4
Lark	2	0	4
Mazaris	8	0	16
Garragh	1	2	4
Masselmany	1	0	2
Total	20	6	45



HE SCORES!! Churchill High's Steve Gayer flips the puck past Franklin goalie Wayne Oliver in this fashion. Oliver made a desperate dive but the puck (arrow) is shown zooming towards the net. (Photo by Tom Donoghue).

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With victories in eight of the 14 including doubles by Rick Forrest and Dave Weinstein, Southfield Lathrup swimmers won their second straight Inter-Lakes Conference championship.

The Chargers won a year ago with a total of 103 points — this time they massed 127 to completely outdistance their rivals. Livonia Stevenson was second with 62 followed by Farmington 46 and Pontiac Northern 39.

FORREST WON the 200 and 400 freestyle events, setting a conference record of 1:57.1 in the former.

Weinstein set two league marks with victories in the 200 individual medley and the 100 butterfly. He was clocked in 2:14 in the medley and :57.7 in the butterfly.

Other Lathrup winners included: Cliff Shekter in the 100 freestyle (:53.2) and Vic Dorer in the 100 backstroke (1:11.0).

The Chargers also won both relays.

Bill Kloote took the 50 freestyle for Stevenson and Farmington captured two events — J. Schwalm in diving and P. Geersens in the 100 backstroke.

Observerland swimmers placing included:

MEDLEY RELAY — Won by Lathrup: 2, Stevenson; 4, Farmington. Time: 5:27.

200 FREESTYLE — Won by Forrest (Lathrup); 3, Hamilton (Lathrup); 4, Dorer (Lathrup); 5, Bernstein (Lathrup); 6, Bucker (Stevenson). Time: 1:57.1 (New league record).

200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY — Won by Weinstein (L); 2, Stevenson (F); 3, Lewellen (F); 4, Walker (H); 5, V. Dorer (L); 6, Friedman (L). Time: 2:14 (League record).

50 FREESTYLE — Won by Kloote (S); 2, Shekter (L); 3, Krebs (L); 4, Strub (L); 5, Harding (F); 6, Bell (S). Time: 1:11.0.

DIVING — Won by Schwalm (F); 2, Bachman (S); 4, Stevens (F); 5, Keet (L). Points: 242.

100 BUTTERFLY — Won by Weinstein (L); 2, Kloote (S); 3, Menders (L); 4, McGraw (L); 5, Lewellen (F). Time: 1:11.0 (League record).

50 FREESTYLE — Won by Shekter (L); 2, Dore (L); 3, Hill (L); 4, Bucker (S); 5, Brown (H); 6, Bell (S). Time: 53.2.

400 FREESTYLE — Won by Forrest (L); 2, D. Dore (L); 3, Bernstein (L); 4, Allen (F); 5, Walker (L). Time: 4:14.8.

100 BACKSTROKE — Won by Dorer (L); 2, Krebs (L); 3, Wade (S); 4, Perh (S); 5, Friedman (L). Time: 1:01.1.

100 BREASTSTROKE — Won by Dorer (L); 3, Lewellen (S); 4, Kerkstra (F); 5, Jones (F); 6, Stern (L); 7, Dickerson (S). Time: 1:11.0.

400 FREESTYLE RELAY — Won by Lathrup; 2, Stevenson; 4, Farmington. Time: 5:41.0 (League record).

## Sorrows 4th In Finals

Our Lady of Sorrows failed Saturday to repeat as the state's Class C-D wrestling champs.

Sorrows managed 36 points to place fourth as Vandercook Lake won the team title with 55 points, followed by Williamston with 45 and Shelby 41.

Paul Oseotoki, of Sorrows, wound up the season as the state champion at 105 pounds when he beat Randy Cooper of Union City, 4-2, in the deciding match.

Nick Hofess at 112 pounds was the only other Sorrows performer to reach the finals.

## Taylor Wins In Gym Meet

North Farmington finished second and Clarenceville third in the 10 team finals at Raiders' gym in Southfield. Michigan High School Gymnastic Assn. competition. Taylor Kennedy won the meet.

Clarenceville's Rob Struk won two events, teammate Jack Waterstone won another, and North's Rupert Hansen and Joe Neuenswander picked up victory apiece.

The order of finish: Taylor Kennedy, 118.2; North Farmington, 114.15; Clarenceville, 108.3; Allen Park, 96.2; Ann Arbor Pioneer, 89.45; Farmington, 66.25; Taylor Center, 65.95; Flat Rock, 61.15; Trenton, 57.25; Farmington Harrison, 41.85.

State competition in gymnastics will begin at 12 noon Saturday at Taylor Kennedy. More than 20 teams will take part.

INDIVIDUAL WINNERS at the North Farmington meet:

Floor exercise: Struk (C), 7.15

High bar: Randy Mills (TK), 7.1

Trampoline: Tim Witz (TK), 6.15

Parallel bars: Waterstone (C), 6.55

Side horse: Hansen (NF), 7.45

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