

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 24
 Liv. Franklin at Farm. Harrison, 3:30 p.m.
 Northville at Liv. Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
 Farmington at Westland Green, 7:30 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Pk. Canton, 7:30 p.m.
 Pk. Salem at Liv. Central, 7:30 p.m.
 Dearborn at Garden City, 7:30 p.m.
 Redford Union at Troy, Kennedy, 7:30 p.m.
 Red. Thurston at D.H. Crestwood, 7:30 p.m.
 Wayne Memorial at Monroe, 7:30 p.m.
 Cranbrook at Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.
 Saturday, Sept. 25
 Liv. Westland at Lusher West, noon.
 Bishop Borgias vs. O.L. St. Mary at Garden City Jr. High, 1:30 p.m.
 Redford CC vs. Warren DeLaSalle at Liv. Clarenceville, 7:30 p.m.
 Sunday, Sept. 26
 A.A. Gabriel Richard vs. St. Agatha at Ann Arbor Pioneer, 2 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Monday, Sept. 20
 Pk. Agape at St. Agatha, 6:30 p.m.
 Bishop Borgias at H.W. Regent, 7 p.m.
 Tuesday, Sept. 21
 Huron Valley at Oak Christian, 6:30 p.m.
 Liv. Ladywood at Westland Green, 7 p.m.
 Liv. Churchill at Garden City, 7 p.m.
 Dearborn at Liv. Franklin, 7 p.m.
 Liv. Stevenson at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
 Wayne Memorial at Northville, 7 p.m.
 N. Farmington at Wat. Kettering, 7 p.m.
 Farm. Haman at Waterford Mott, 7 p.m.
 Fairlane Christi at Pk. Christian, 7:30 p.m.
 Thursday, Sept. 23
 Pk. Salem at Liv. Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Liv. Stevenson at Liv. Franklin, 7 p.m.
 Westland Green at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
 N. Farmington at Pk. Canton, 7 p.m.
 Farmington at Northville, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Central at Farm. Harrison, 7 p.m.
 Garden City at Monroe, 7 p.m.
 Southgate at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
 Red. Thurston at Melvindale, 7 p.m.
 Don. Fordson at Wayne Memorial, 7 p.m.
 Clarenceville at Lusher West, 7 p.m.
 Liv. Westland at Harper Woods, 7 p.m.
 Liv. St. Agatha at A.P. Coburn, 7 p.m.
 Farm. Mercy at Bem. Macan, 7 p.m.
 St. Agatha at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
 Friday, Sept. 24
 Huron Valley vs. Pk. Christian at Marshall Jr. High, 7:30 p.m.
 Saturday, Sept. 25
 Adrian at Pk. Salem, 6:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Wednesday, Sept. 22
 Delta CC at Schoolcraft, 5 p.m.
 Saturday, Sept. 25
 Schoolcraft at Ouyshaga (Ohio), 5 p.m.
 Friday, Sept. 24
 Women's College Soccer
 Wednesday, Sept. 22
 East. Michigan at Schoolcraft, 5 p.m.
 Women's College Volleyball
 Tuesday, Sept. 21
 Henry Ford at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
 Saginaw Valley at Madonna, 7 p.m.
 Thursday, Sept. 23
 Macomb CC at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
 Saturday, Sept. 25
 Schoolcraft at Delta Tourney, 11 a.m.

SPORTS SHORTS

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

SOCCER CHAMPIONS

Vardar III boys soccer club won three division titles at the Troy Tournament over Labor Day.

The U-11 team went through the Troy Tournament undefeated, winning the final 6-2 over the Birmingham Blazers. Vardar had a narrow 2-1 win over USL Express to start the tournament and defeated previously unbeaten and unscored on Brampton, Ontario, 2-0, in the semifinal.

Team members are Mike Bramlett, Justin Dettner, Brandon Felker, Matt Fernandez, Paul Georgandellis, Dan Haezebroeck, Adam Katz, Matthew Krakowicki, John Mauro, Cliff Orr, John Palazzolo, Mike Rodriguez, Eric Spreitzer, Ricky Strong and Mike Thomas. Morris Lupenec is the coach.

Vardar III Under-12 boys were unbeaten and unscored in at the Troy Tournament and beat Troy Cosmos in the final, 5-0. Starting goalkeeper Harry Campo had a broken finger and was unable to play so Vince Alexander and Anthony Sanchez shared the goalie duties. Sanchez also contributed four goals in one of the wins.

Team members are Chris Combs, Jeff Conner, Kevin Cooper, Mike Robinson, Ken Furphy, Trevor Pampalona, Kellen Kalso, Patrick Wilson, A.J. Hulings, Kevin Robinson, Andrew Upward, Nick Sanchez and Robert Turpin. Mike Lupenec and Vito Pampalona are co-coaches.

Under-13 continued the suc-

cess with a Troy Tournament title, beating Mount Hamilton Blues from Ontario 2-0 in the final. Vardar lost one game in the division play. Team members: Eliot Belden, David Burnett, Yuri Burrell, Corey Cecchini, Marcus Chovart, Nick Degraw, David Dwalley, Josh Edwards, Dan Ferrier, Victor Gordon, Adam King, Steve Kleczynski, Steve Kolb, Tyler Mehl, Raj Mehta, Tom Thompson and Stuart Vinat. Mark Christensen is the coach.

SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Compuware girls fast-pitch softball team will be Saturday, Oct. 2, at Shell Park in Waterford off Dixie Highway. For times and other information call general manager John Fietze (752-7454). A clinic is scheduled, for Saturday, also at Shell Park.

SOFTBALL TOURNEYS

Canton Softball Center has tournaments scheduled for the following dates: Sept. 25-26, Last-Swing, three-game guaranteed open to all teams, fee \$35 plus ump; Oct. 2-3, USSSA coed NIT, recreational and competitive; Oct. 9-10, Wait 'Til Next Year, fee \$95 plus ump, round robin. Call 483-5600, Ext. 103.

Big plays carry Trojans to victory

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Clarenceville's Trojan horse was claring high Saturday.

A big-play capability proved to be the difference Saturday as it rode into Lutheran High Westland and galloped away with a 26-8 Metro Conference West Division football win.

Senior quarterback Luvic Lucej completed 10 of 19 passes for 172 yards and three touchdowns.

His favorite target, senior split end Mark Kalaj, was on the receiving end of all three TD tosses. He finished the day with seven catches for 161 yards.

And if that wasn't enough, senior running back Mark Kalaj rushed for 80 yards in 25 carries and completed one pass for 39 yards.

"They threw the ball and they caught it," Lutheran Westland coach Dennis Tuomi said. "Those guys are all good ballplayers."

"We just didn't stop them. All their touchdowns were legitimate. There were no flukes."

The Trojans earned their first win of the year for rookie coach Dave Young by piling up 384 total yards to the Warriors' 106.

"Ray Kastl and Jesse Lynn, our two linebackers, did a great job out there," Young said.

They played hard-nosed on every play. "We really needed a win because we have a tough game next week. We're 1-1 in our division now. It feels good."

(Friday's home game vs. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook has been rescheduled for 4:30 p.m.)

Clarenceville lost yardage on

two of its first three plays from scrimmage, but Young discovered quickly that he had to open things up.

On their second series, Lucej's 25-yard halfback pass to Kalaj set up Lucej's 24-yard TD toss to Kalaj with 4:06 left in the first period.

"We tried to stick it down their throats, run things up the middle, but we changed things up because I felt we had more team speed," Young said.

The Warriors, however, responded with their only points of the game in the second quarter when quarterback Andy Mathel hooked up with 6-foot-2, 190-pound tight end Jeff Lichtner.

The two combined for a 9-yard TD pass along with the two-pointer, giving the Warriors an 8-

7 advantage with 9:16 left in the half.

But it was all Clarenceville from that point on.

Lucej's 16-yard TD pass to Kalaj with 6:51 left until intermission made it 14-8.

After a scoreless third period, Clarenceville tacked two more scores on the board, while punting on their second-half Warrior fumbles. (Martino Soman, Ricardo Bell and Juan Puentes made the recoveries.)

Lucej's 34-yard TD pass to Kalaj made it 20-8, and Soman capped the scoring with just under a minute left on a 17-yard run.

"Bell is a first-year senior," Young said. "He and Jeff Nisch keyed our offensive line. They worked really hard and today they sprung some key blocks for our backs."

Spartans stun Rocks on final play

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Do You Believe in Miracles?

Stevenson played out the second Friday night, stunning Plymouth Salem with no time remaining on a 32-yard touchdown pass from Kevin Szczembra to Brad Morgan, giving the host Spartans a 19-14 football win.

It was only a week earlier that Stevenson pulled one out of the hat when Szczembra beat Livonia Franklin on the last play, a 30-yard TD toss to Nick McLaren for a 35-33 victory.

Stevenson, which defeated the Rocks for the first time since 1985, is off to a 3-0 start.

Morgan, a 6-foot-2, 170-pound senior split end/punter/defensive back, had a game that former Stevenson great Dave Hall would admire.

He caught seven passes for 123 yards, including three on the final drive when Stevenson marched 73 yards in only 23 seconds.

"I was just praying to God it would happen again," Morgan said. "I felt dog-tired, my legs were cramping up at the end."

"I saw Kevin scrambling and I just tried to find a me. He made another perfect throw. It was just instinctive. I caught it and I

looked to see if I was inbound."

Morgan was mobbed by teammates and fans following the improbable win.

Salem, meanwhile, had victory within its grasp, gaining its first and only lead of the night, 14-13, with only 30 seconds to go when senior fullback Rob Shepley (76 yards on 12 carries) scored on a 17-yard run. Senior tailback Brian Neal (65 yards in 10 carries) then bounced off-tackle and into the end zone for the two-point play.

On a gutsy call, Salem opted for the two-point after the Spartans' Craig Martin had earlier blocked an extra-point and field attempt by Mike Kley.

"We wanted to win it right there," said Salem coach Tom Moishler, whose team fell to 0-2 overall. "We asked the kids, and they said go for it. We didn't take long to decide to go for two."

But the Rocks' defense folded down the stretch.

Szczembra, at his own 27, started the game-winning drive by hitting Morgan twice on sideline routes for gains of 12 and 16 yards.

The Stevenson quarterback then scampered out of bounds on

a 13-yard run as the board read 0-0, but officials ruled he stopped out with two seconds to play.

"I didn't think they (the referees) would put time on the back on the clock because it seemed like they were making the signal," Moishler said. "I give the clock operator credit. He didn't stop the clock. He waited for their signal."

"I thought the game was over, but it's our fault. We just played too soft back there. They threw to the corner, and the kid (Morgan) caught the ball. They showed a lot of poise."

Szczembra hit 10 of 22 passes for 144 yards and rushed for 19 yards in three carries.

"We just wanted to put the ball up and hope to have enough time to throw," Stevenson coach Jack Reardon said. "Kevin had enough time to throw it because the offensive line gave him time all day long (he was not sacked)."

"Kevin put the ball up where it belonged and Brad made a nice catch. Kevin has worked hard for this kind of success. We always know he'll be there. He's very dependable."

Stevenson opened the scoring in the first quarter when Szczem-

bera threw an 8-yard TD toss to Morgan.

It was only a preview of things to come by Morgan, who also intercepted a pass, made several key hits and even scrambled to get off a 30-yard punt. (The snap from center sailed over his head deep in Spartan territory.)

"They (Stevenson) have great athletes," Moishler said. "And they're much bigger and stronger this year. Their quarterback can throw, and they have a whole ton of receivers."

Salem scored its first TD with 6:46 left in the second quarter on a 54-yard TD dash by Neal, but Stevenson took a 13-0 halftime edge when Chris Mullett intercepted a Rocks' pass and took it in from 39 yards out.

Stevenson carried that lead deep into the fourth quarter, only to cough the ball up near midfield on an erratic pitch-out. Linebacker Jay Perko made his third recovery of the night to set up Stevenson's go-ahead TD drive.

"We made every kind of mistake in the first half, but our kids hung tough and came back," Moishler said. "But they (Stevenson) made mistakes, too. They beat us and I guess the better team won."

Hawks from page 1C

The Mustangs scored off the second-half kickoff, going 80 yards in 16 plays to make the score 14-6 when Golden passed 19 yards to Bryan Kelley.

Harrison's Kevin Bryant blocked the extra-point kick, however, and also intercepted a pass in the second half.

A key moment late in the game occurred when Northville went for the first down on fourth-and-2 at its 21 with 4 1/2 minutes left. But Golden was stopped for a yard loss by Brendan Cotter, and Wil-

liams charged into the end zone two plays later to make it 21-6.

"When you're in a tight game and playing well, you want to get one more down and get the score," Schumacher said. "Now that I have time to think about it, it was a bad decision."

"We didn't have a good series leading up to that call and that was my fault. They knew exactly what was coming, because they were sitting on it pretty tough."

"We expected it because that's all they've been doing on short-

yardage plays because the quarterback is so quick," Herrington said. "I think they felt if we used a couple minutes they wouldn't have enough time."

Granger had 55 yards on 11 carries for the Hawks. Anell Kersey led all rushers with 52 yards on 22

carries for Northville.

"We're dedicated to trying to get the division championship loss," Herrington said. "This is the first step and the kids knew what they had to do. They weren't down at all after the John Glenn loss."

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