## **Eaglets butt heads with Rams**

By BILL PARKER STAFF WRITER

STAFF WAITZE
Last week the Orchard Lake St.
Mary's football team hosted one
of the top defensive teams in
Class CC in Detroit St. Martin
DePorres in a preregional gridfron
Clash.
No big deal. The Eaglets need
of just six plays to score two
touchdowns en route to a 23-6 victory.

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This week St. Mary's, ranked
No. 1 in Class CC, will fly north
to Montrose to take on the sec-ond-ranked Rams in the Region 4-championship game. Both teams are undefeated in 10 outings and both teams feature potent, high-scoring offensive units. The winner of Saturday's showdown will be just one win away from Nov. 27 appearance at the Pointi-ac Silverdome in the Michigan High School Athleic Association Class CC state championship Same.

game.
"We haven't won a regional championship since 1977 (the same year they won a state championship) so this is a big game for us," said St. Mary's head coach

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It will also be a big game for the host Rems, although Montrose coach Tony Annese is approaching the game with caution.
"The key to this game will be if we can contain all their big weapons, which is almost impossible to do," Annese said. "I see St. Mary's as the best team in any class that I've seen this year. We're going to have to stop their big plays or we could be in trouble."
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So far, no one has been able to do that.
The Eaglets are averaging nearly 35 points per game having

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racked up 349 points through 10 games. But they are not, by any means, a one-dimensional team. In fact, the Eaglets take pride in their diversity.

Quarterback Diallo Johnson (6-

their diversity.
Quarterbuck Disillo Johnson (6foot-3, 180 pounds) has emerged
as a bonafido leader when the
Eaglets have the ball. The junior
signal caller has completed 54percent of his passes this year for
850 yards and 16 touchdowns. He
has also rushed for more than 200
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dous speed," explained Annese.
"I'd like to be able to control the
ball against them but in the last
two weeks they have defended two
very good football teams, so that's
a lot easier said than done."
The Eaglets also have a strong
kicking game with punter Aaron
Miller and placekicker Tim Harrinston.

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"Tim is an excellent kicker,"
Porritt said. "He's had a sore leg
most of the season, but now that
he's healthy I've got to believe
there will be a few colleges looking
at him."

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Use I've Annese's guidance, the Rams have wen the Genesee Eight Athletic Conference chumpionship six years in a row. They are making their third playoff appearance in four years. Least year, Montrose lost to Marysville in the Class B state semilinals. In 1911 for the playoff swhile in 1990 they lost to Monroe St. Mary's Call.

The Rams play ball-control of The Rams play ba

# U.S. Open in Troy next spring



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and receive the bowling ball, in addi-tion to competing for the cash prize
fund totaling \$35,000.
Juniors can also

Juniors can only receive trophies, but will compete for \$2,000 in scholar-ships.

■ The 63rd annual Old Timers tour-nament and party will be at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. (two squads), Saturday, Nov. 27 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Al-len Park.

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To qualify for the men's tourney, you must have 25 years experience and be at least 40 years old. Prite money and awards will be given to the follow-land awards will be given by the following to great half of famers scheduled to participate in-clude Joe Norris, Tony Lindeman, Bob Strampe, Eddle Lubannett, Billy CF, Bill Tocker and George Floward.

George Zainea, past president and proprietor of Garden City.

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The Pro-AmProterto Modest team rolled a scratch total series of 3,230 at 100 verlanes in Livotin, it was the highest total recorded this season in the Women's international Bowling Congress.

Congress.
The six-woman team consisted of Westland's Tinn Barber (288/735), Sam Greaves (730), Tracy Jordan (677), Janne Goormostle (650) and Tracey Wedle (667). The same team finished second nationally last season.

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Corace, 175.

Beginners — Jason Hedgers, 104.

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DOUG SHCTR, 300; ROB McDOMALD, 300/768;

Loren Smith, 299.

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Footney, 266/690; Lany Taylor, 284; Bob Johnson,

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say Skeepers — PETE SMITH, 300; JULIUS NO. 227/567.

# Tournament foe no pushover for $\operatorname{OU}$

STAFF WHITES.

First glance might lead one to think Oakland University won't have any problem with its first-round fee in the NCAA II Central Region Soccer Tournament.

After all, the Pioneers pounded Northeast Missouri State 4-1 in the second game of the Central Region Classic, hosted by OU Oct. 10. But optimism could be misplaced: That match went into evertime scoreless before the Pioneers put it away.

"It was a close game," said OU coach Cary Parsons. "We just happened to get a string of goals." That's something Northeast Missouri is quite capable of doing, too. It's 13-4 record is predicated on its attack, led by freshman forward Chris Seim, who finished the regular-season with 20 goals and five assists. Junior forward Tony Torres had 14 goals and seven assists, and sophomore forward Jason Herold

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added nine goals and three as-

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Defensively, keeper Josh Trimble, a sophomore, had eight shutouts and a 0.83 goals-against av-

ble, a sophomore, had eight shutouts and a 0.83 goals-against average.
"Their game's based on counterattack," said Parsons. "They
score on counters and crosses,
and they put their chances away
pretty good."

But there are weaknesses, too.
"We hope to control the tempo of
the game. Our strength is our forwards, and their weakness is their
back line. When they counterattack, they tend to get out of position (defensively) a little bit.
"We need to get the ball in to
our forwards."

The most dangerous Ploneers
have been Ell Tiomkin, with 16
goals and nine assists, and Mike
Thornton, with nine goals and
three assists.
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three assists.
OU's defense has been tough,

anchored by Mike Sheehy in goal (nine shutouts, 0.05 goals against). It was upgraded when Parsons decided to move Chad Schomaker from sweeper to center-midfielder, replacing the injured (and red-shirted) John Gentille, and to insert Andrew Wagstaff at sweeper.

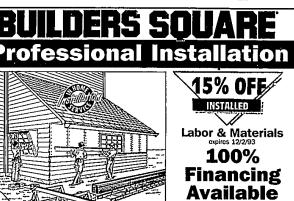
"Andrew communicates well and reads the game well in buck," said Parsons. "Chad, on the other rand, goes forward well. So the move has made us a better team."

How much better? Sunday's match should provide some insight. Should OU, while ho concluded the regular season with a 13-3-2 mark, defeet Northeast Missouri, it will play the Central Region's top seed, Gannon University, in Erie, Pa., at 1 p.m.

NOTES: OU was be without the services of medicated Landar Paters, shot deve has fully plow cod against Mersylvars last Saturday and mersole mast att out he nest gene. . This will be OU's aight-struggt appealment in the Northeast Contrant streak in the desisten.







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