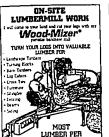
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Gone from the '94 squad is for-ard-midfielder Aimes Cousino, ho is now playing at Michigan

and ner turning her."
Spaccarotella will try to help the Chargers improve from their 15-4-2 mark from last season. After winning its district title, Churchill was eliminated by Northville in the regional final 3-

SOCCER

Livenia Churchill girls soccer each Nick O'Shea has watched Marie Spaccarotella establish herself as one of the premier play-ers in the area and perhaps the entire state in her first two years

State University, Cousino was the seam's Most Valuable Player the past three seasons and a two-time first-team All-Area performer.

"She was the central figure on our team in midfield and a mainstay for four years." O'Shes said. "It's a huge hole to fill, but I think we have the talent to fill it." Chuchill's defense is in good hands as seniors Janess Vartanian, Margaret Wirth (first-team All-Area) and Jenny Wysocki return. A host of other returnes, joined by freshman Andrea Galindo, make the '95 churchill tamone of the conference favorites. as a Charger.

Most certainly, watching the junior forward play has been easier than learning how to spell her name.
"I just call her Marie," O'Shea admitted. "After all, all good soccer players have only one name." soccer players have only one memo."
Spaccarotalla's numbers at the high achool level look like those produced by stars who are known as Fele, Maradona, Begrin, own as Fele, Maradona, Begrin, own as Fele, Maradona, Begrin, own After collecting 25 goals and 11 assists as a freshman, she scored on 11 others. And O'Shea has a warning to all Westero Lakes Activities Association foes.

"She's actually improved from last season," the ninth-year coach said. "She's improved her touch and her turning ability with players marking her."

do, make the '95 Churchill team one of the conference favorities.
O'Shea will miss the first five Churchill games of the season as he will be sidelined due to hip surgery. Co-coach Scott Steiner will fill in until O'Shea returns and spends the remainder of the season on crutches.

Stevenson

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Coming off an injury is Livonia
Stevenson's Laura Fedrigo. The
senior middieder was named
int-team All-Area last year despite missing half the season with
a knee injury.
Fedrigo joins 16 returnees who
helped the Spartans go 12-4-2 last
season and win the Lakes Division. Coach Mary Kay Hussey,
now in her seventh season, believes her team will be in the
thick of the WLAA race again this
season. season.
"I think we can compete with

any team in the conference." Hussey said. "I don't think any team in this conference will run away with it. Right now, I'm happy with the team's attitude and the way everyone gets along with each other. Hopefully, it will pay off." Six seniors, including Fodrigo, are the heart of the Stevenson team. Micholle Block will lead the defense, while freshman Jenny Barker will start in goal.

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Bev Pritchard enters her second year as Livonia Franklin coach without first-team All-Area performer Lenay Truchan (cow at University of Dayton), who took with her 35 carver goals.
Pritchard returns nine from a seam that finished 4-92 last season, but is realistic about her equal's chances this year.
"This is our second year and things are going well." Pritchard said. "Our main goals are to be competitive and got better as a team. Rather than having 20 players who are the best but don't love the game, I'd rather have 20 that may not be as good, but love to play the game. And that's what I have."

John Glenn

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John Glenn
The team that is sure to make history this season is Westland John Glenn. The Rockets will field their first-ever girls soccer team — a move started four years ago by now coach Jerry Poniatowski.

"We're only about 12 years be-

Improved 'Marie' will lead Chargers hind," he said. "It's amazing that this hasn't happened earlier, and it's iroulc that this is happening at a time when the school district is in dire sconcenic straits. But can count about 30 players in the district to play soccer." The Rockets feature several players who have played in Little Cessare and other programs around the area, including senior inferioder Nicolo Gentry and sen-ior forward Jill Creaby.

ior forward Jill Crosby.

But Ponistowski realizes that
his 23-person squad — which includes 10 sophomores — is in for

a long season. "We know we're going to take our lumps, but we're going to keep our chins up and keep positive attudes," he said. "Who knows? Maybo we'll pull off some surprises. But, our goal is to have fun."

fun."

Ladywood

Livonie Ladywood's fourthyear coach Ron Predmesky looks
to finish above 500 after recording a 6-3-2 record in '34.

The Blazers lost Kelli Kavanaufn (second-team Ali-Area
defender) to graduation, but have
a senior class led by midfielders
Jamie Colliton and Alyson
Granger and defender Kristin
Atlison.

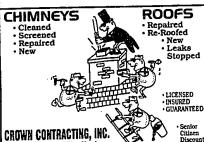
"We're a young team," Predmesky said. "I expect good things
from this club— I'm just not sure
if it's going to be this year or next
year."

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detender, Country Brown, senior; Issues sas-en, sopromore. Ped esticekt: "We're carrying 23 gris, but most of them are sophomores. Some of our girls have experience playing orga-med sooce and some don't have any. "People think we're crasy coming in end play-ing in this league where but of the top 10 teams in the state play in, but it's only a game and we're out thore to have Air.

Huskies surprise Blazers in 'A' semis

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It was billed as the Portage Northern Invitational, but it was Port Huron Northern that sent Livonia Ladywood packing in the state Class A girls volleyball tour-

Ladywood (41-9) never got a Ladywood (41-9) never got a chance to meet the three-time defending state champe as Port Huron Northern gained its first championship final with a 6-15, 15-5, 15-12 semifinal victory Sarturday aftermoon at Portage Central High School.

And it was no contest in the finals as Portage Northern, loaded with four major college recruits, wrapped up an 82-9 assaon by seminoliship Port Huron 15-8, 15-2 for the Class A crown Saturday night at Kalamazoo Central.

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Coach Jack Magelssen has now won eight state titles since 1982.

VOLLEYBALL

Ladywood was gunning for its third state crown and fourth championship final under coach Tom Teeters but fell flat after winning the first game against the "Brin LeSage (a 5-9 junior) had a lot of aces (four)." Teeters said, "but the first game was really much better than the other two other than the fact the score was in our favor."

in our favor."
Also adding to Ladywood's hardship was the absence of one of tag to the state of the state of

match with 34 kills and two solo blocks, but no other Ladywood player had more than two kills.

"We were rettied by the changes in our rotation," Teeters said. "We didn't have a chance to work on them. It messed up our chemistry. Normally, we have three primary hitters and suddenly we were down to two. We had to rely more on defense."

Port Huron's Libby Wallen, a 5-7 junior, held Ladywood and Poglits in check with her backrow digging and all-around play.

Brenda O'Malley led Port Huron Northern with 10 kills, but Lori Westbrook, kill-less in the first game, came back to record four in the second and third games.

"We just beat a good team," Huskles coach Ron Davey said. "After the first game, I was saying, 'Oh, boy.' But it's funny how

momentum changes.

"We told our setter that when. (Poglits) was in the back row, we had to go at the middle. But (Poglits) is a great player because she; hits the corners well and is so accurate. It took time to adjust." The match not only marked the end of Poglits' career, but four other seniors including setter Renne Rozell, Christic Soter, Robym Danczak and Sobezak.

"This is the best season of the four (years) since we've been play-

"This is the best season of the four (years) since we've been playing together," Soter said. "This is tough because the team spent so much time together. We were very close."

close."
Poglits will be sorely missed, although the Blazers return six of 11 varsity players next season.
"Anne made the greatest improvement of anybody I've had from her freshman to genior year," Teeters said.

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