

IN BRIEF

Local man completes Ironman in Hawaii

Lake Michigan College employee Mike Girard competed in the Ironman World Championship in Kona, Hawaii, on Oct. 10.

The race involves a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride and a full marathon. Girard finished 166th out of 2,367 participants.

Girard completed the swimming portion in 1:02.37, the cycling portion in 4:50.20 and the marathon in 3:41.24.

Participants from across the world, including many professional athletes, travel to Hawaii every year for the Ironman event.

LM Catholic golfer competes at state

Lake Michigan Catholic girls golfer Elizabeth Stolte competed at the Division 4 state finals over the weekend.

The finals were held at Forest Akers East Golf Course at Michigan State.

Stolte finished the two-day finals at 195 strokes. She golfed a 100 on Friday and a 95 on Saturday. The winner, Maple City Glen Lake's Nichole Cox, finished at 150 strokes.

Stolte was mistakenly omitted from The Herald-Palladium's state golf results on Saturday and Sunday.

Spartan's Watts-Jackson has surgery

Michigan State defensive back Jalen Watts-Jackson has had hip surgery a day after scoring the winning touchdown on the final play against Michigan.

The surgery at the University of Michigan hospital Sunday lasted more than three hours.

Watts-Jackson was in the right place to catch a floating football that Wolverines punter Blake O'Neill fumbled Saturday. He returned it 38 yards to lift the Spartans to a startling 27-23 victory.

He didn't have much chance to celebrate. The redshirt freshman appeared to land hard on his left hip after he was tackled in the end zone.

Joyous teammates jumped on Watts-Jackson as he lay on a maize "M"

in the end zone. He was carted off the field and hospitalized.

Arrests, ejections aplenty in Ann Arbor

The Michigan-Michigan State game Saturday was more intense on the field than most other games this season.

That holds true off the field as well among the 111,740 attending the game.

The Spartans' thrilling 27-23 win over the Wolverines on a last-second fumble return was filled with chaos, from the fan who had a heart attack in the stands at the end of the game, to the numerous arrests and ejections.

According to numbers from Diane Brown, the Public Information Officer for the University of Michigan Division of Public Safety and Security, the totals were "higher than recent couple of years but similar to high profile, late games."

There were 76 people treated by medical personnel, 12 who were transported to the hospital and 71 people ejected.

Of the 71 removed from the stadium, 29 were from possession of another person's identification, 16 for alcohol in the stadium, 11 for violation of stadium rules, 10 for disorderly conduct and five for having a false ID.

Texas high school football player dies

ALTO, Texas (AP) — An East Texas high school football player has died after collapsing on the sidelines during a game.

The Jacksonville Daily Progress reports that Alto High School junior Cam'ron Matthews collapsed Friday night during an Alto home game against Price-Carlisle after reaching the bench from a kickoff return seconds before halftime. He suffered a seizure and doctors, nurses, coaches and trainers worked to keep him breathing.

The rural community is 11 miles from the nearest town, so after a 20-minute wait for an ambulance officials summoned a medical helicopter from Tyler, about 50 miles to the north.