



Tom Watson signs a caddy's hat in front of a large gallery on the 18th green at the PAL tournament. Watson shot a 69 on the day. (Staff photos by Dick Kelley)

# Celebs gathered at Wabeek for PAL

The pro's and gallery came out in record number for the PAL Tournament at Wabeek Country Club, Tuesday, and everybody had fun. The day started out looking like it could be another wet one, but the rain decided to stop about 6 a.m. Then the sun finally peeked through the clouds and shone about 9:30 a.m. to turn the day into a brilliant, successful affair.

An estimated 14,000 people came out to see the large group of over 40 touring pros, and the four amateurs who paid \$500 apiece for the privilege of golfing in the tournament. These two factors led to another record breaker—an estimated \$108,000 for Detroit youth.

The gallery had fun with the pro's the whole day, and the pro's greeted the gallery with a bag full of tricks. They signed autographs and joked with the gallery in an almost jovial mood. And the people loved it.

Chi Chi Rodriguez was one of the favorites of the day. John McConell, a Wabeek caddy and Avondale High School sophomore, drew the ever-rememberable Chi Chi.

"I feel pretty good about the draw," said McConell, also a golfer in his spare time. "Hopefully, I'll be able to help him on the course."

Everybody liked Chi Chi. Vince and Mary Lou Sahli of Birmingham, arrived at Wabeek with warm with the crowd," said Mary Lou. "Chi Chi were Tom Kite, Tom Shaw and Dick Stewart. They were all nice with the kids.

"This was part of my birthday gift," she added. "I was also curious to see how the girls will do."

**THE GIRLS**, she is referring to, were two of the beautiful LPGA touring professionals, Laura Baugh and Jan Stephenson. Laura ended up shooting a 72 and Jan shot a 74.

Tom Shaw and Tom Kite tied for the lead, hitting a 67 on the course. Shaw got an eagle on the first hole, and because of that, he took first place.

And the autograph hunters were all around. Natalie Burry, 13, of Bloomfield Hills and Pam Lopez, 13, of Troy, said, "we're here to watch them and try to get some autographs," said Pam.

"I've been to all the PAL tournaments and I like them. I think they're good for the club." Pam is a junior member at Wabeek.

Everybody was excited about the tournament and the pro's coming to Wabeek. June Reiter of Orchard Lake was living and dying with every stroke the players made. Mac Kidd, a friend of theirs, was in the tournament, and she was there to see him play, too.

"We were here last year," she said. "It's real nice here." And they'll be back again next year.

**THREE AREA WOMEN** were found up in the bleachers by the 18th hole. Louise Doyle of Troy, and the wife of the mayor, made her second visit to Wabeek. Her husband, Richard, went off in the afternoon with Tom Purtzer.

"I think the tournament is a lot of fun," she said. "I'm rooting for my husband," she said when asked who she wanted to win.

Bloomfield Hills residents Mary Lee Yocca and Joyce Pappert were found sitting in the bleachers with Mrs. Doyle. They planned on sitting in the bleachers for a few hours, because

there was a cool breeze blowing in once in a while. They were there to cheer Robert McConry on.

Bloomfield Hills Country Club member Ronnie Bright played in the tournament with the eventual winner, Tom Shaw. Bright and his teammates, Dan Wagner, Tom Truss and Al Elkin, teamed up to shoot a 61.

"We shot pretty good today," he said. "I've played in several PAL tournaments. It's a great affair. Tom Shaw is a real nice guy to play with, he's fun to be with."

Although Bright and his teammates shot a 61, it wasn't good enough to beat Dick Gerstenberg, Cy Laughter, Ara Parseghian and Bill Egan's 58. The team of Jack Cochran, Bob Vlasic, Philip G. Howlett and Glenn White came in second. They played with Tom Watson, and the winners played with Wally Armstrong.

Ed Paroli had the longest drive, knocking the ball 224 yards on the fifth hole. Robert Kent won the closest to the pin contest, putting the ball 26 inches from the pin on the sixth hole.

Besides for the golfers and the gallery, all 230 caddies had fun, too.

# Talk over fence is a necessity

**By FLORENCE SCHUMACHER**

An unusual college program, the brainchild of a former housewife and mother of five, will be explained Tuesday at the Birmingham Center for Continuing Education by representatives of the University of Michigan.

The curriculum of the program was developed to help women go beyond their traditional roles to develop themselves as individuals.

Led by Jude Huettnerman, who labels the suburbs "a velvet cage with push-button," the program was inspired by her own experiences while growing up and marrying in Grosse Pointe prior to moving to Ann Arbor in 1974.

"We had everything but someone to talk to over the back fence," she said.

The idea for the program began while she worked with women's groups as a social action volunteer and later when she was a director of the Grosse Pointe University Center for Adult Education.

"It seemed important to me to work with women in the 35 to 45-year-old age group," she said. "That's the decision-making period of their lives when many of these women feel the need to expand their horizons beyond the family and community."

Armed with a plan, Mrs. Huettnerman approached the University of Michigan, which offered its assistance and that of its Detroit extension center where the seminar-style college program will begin in September.

**THE CURRICULUM** will consist of classes that are purposely planned to be small in size where the students and faculty will work closely.

"The purpose of the curriculum will be research projects that reflect the individual interests of the students. It is designed," she said, "to round out the individual transcript and provide important evidence of ability to a prospective employer."

It will be more impressive to a prospective employer than a grade transcript dated 20 years ago," she said.

Among the courses already scheduled are "Women, Work and the U.S. Society," "What's Ahead: New Careers, Aging, Retirement" and "A Social Scientist Looks at the Future."

Other classes will inspect the arts, history and economics. The faculty will include staff members from the University of Michigan institutes of gerontology, social research, and labor and industrial relations.

During the Tuesday seminar in Birmingham, the staff will answer questions and outline the schedule of classes. Mrs. Huettnerman said this educational experiment will require a great

er commitment of time than most continuing education classes. The program will be 30 weeks long, with two four-hour sessions each week. The university will award 24 continuing education credits upon completion of the series.

**AS AN EXAMPLE**, "Since many women want to acquire new skills to prepare them to go to work or back to school, several brush-up courses are offered that will help them along the way."

For instance, a course in mathematics, a traditional problem for many women, will have a low student-teacher ratio of three to one. "A video-technology course will be conducted by Hazen Schumacher, director of the university's broadcasting department."

"This is one course that didn't even exist when I was in school," she said. Other courses will take advantage of nearby cultural institutions such as the art institute, the Detroit Public Library, and the historical museum.

"The woman who refuses to come downtown for this is denying herself," she said. "There are a lot of us there every day, including more than 400 women who are volunteer docents at the art institute."

To aid the female students, a new enclosed and attended parking garage is being built near the entrance to Rackham Building, where the university extension center is located.

"A lot of women don't realize their own potential or the value of the experiences they are having every day," she said. "On an average day, the scheduling which a housewife does is a complicated as computer programming. When women don't deal with complex ideas on an everyday basis, they don't trust themselves to attack problems."

"Many women are afraid to return to college for this very reason. Our students will be taught to realize that what they have been doing will translate to the marketplace."

**STUDENTS TAKING** part in the program will find much assistance available to them. In addition to the teaching faculty, each student will be assigned to a faculty adviser, with counselors available to those with personal concerns or in need of academic advice.

The Tuesday orientation and discussion meeting at the Birmingham Center for Continuing Education is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. There will be baby sitters to care for infants. The Birmingham center is at 746 Purdy.

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