

In The Pocket

By W.W. EDGAR



Now that the summer season is under way, there is a noticeable lack of "brick" tournaments to top the bowlers to try their skill at turning the pins.

There was a time—not long ago—when such things as a headline tournament, a no tap event and a red pin arrangement were being offered in an attempt to keep the lanes busy during the summer months.

While these events drew considerable interest, it wasn't until the late "Eddie" Coy, at Whittier Recreation, came up with what she called the 3-6-9

tournament. The name came about because the bowler was given a strike in each of the third, sixth and ninth frames.

These things are now only memories. They have given way to mixed leagues and such other events as the father and son and mother and daughter events on weekends, while the housewives, are taking up most of the

morning hours through the week. The big change is laid to two things—the automatic pin setter and air conditioning.

West Bloomfield plans tennis tourney

Entries for the third annual Greater West Bloomfield Tennis Tournament are due 5 p.m. June 5 at the West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation office, 6485 W. Maple.

The tournament is open to all residents of all ages from West Bloomfield and neighboring communities. Preliminary round play is at the Centaur Racquet Club's outdoor courts, 1:30-5:30 a.m., Sunday, June 26. Play will be moved indoors in the event of rain.

Application blanks and information are available at the Drake House, 6485 W. Maple, during weekday business hours (phone 661-2240).

Forms may also be obtained at township hall, libraries, athletic departments of junior and senior high schools serving the township, at Centaur Racquet Club and other tennis facilities in the area.

The West Bloomfield Tennis Tournament offers eight categories for youth (singles and doubles for girls and boys 14 and under and for those age 15-18) and seven for adults (singles, doubles and mixed for men and women, with A and B categories for singles).

THE FIRST of the all-star mixed leagues got under way during the past week, and, as usual, Penny Behn paced the women with a 646 series and Mary Mohaszi followed with a 623. On the men's side Larry Schroeder was high with a 649 and Doug Evans had high single with a 237.

HARRY HARTFIELD, owner of the Hartfield Lanes in Berkeley, has been named president of the Bowling Proprietors Association of Greater Detroit. He succeeds Al Winkle, of Woodland Lanes.

The other officers named include George Riff, vice president, Bill Williams, secretary, and Larry Sisson, treasurer. Roger Robinson and Frank Libonati were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

Area golfer wins scholarship

By KAREN KWASNICK
If it's unusual for a girl to receive a four-year athletic scholarship to a Big 10 University, it's even more rare for her forte to be golf.

Lisa Speaker, however, has beaten the odds and has proven beyond a doubt that even the unusual can be accomplished.

Speaker, an 18-year-old senior at Bentley High School in Livonia, has recently received a four-year athletic scholarship to Michigan State University for her golfing talents.

Accomplished and recognized, being named the Michigan Girls' Junior Champion for 1977 by Golf World Magazine, Speaker said she began golfing only six years ago.

"But I've only fiercely worked on it for the last two," she said. She said she became interested in the sport because her parents and her brother played.

"My parents belonged to a golf club in Brighton, and they'd always go there and play. And my brother plays, too. Everyone was golfing, so I figured it was something the whole family could do," Speaker said.

She received some of her initial training from Gary Whitenier at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia and also received some instruction in Florida.

The five-foot-tall blonde, who now sports a handicap of nine, (she brought it down from 23 in just two years) has golfed in the Detroit Junior District of

a private country club league and has been invited this year to play in the women's district.

Besides winning the district tournament and a mother-daughter tournament, Speaker has also won tournaments within the Lakeland golf country club where she began golfing and where she continues to practice her favorite sport.

Unlike men, who can be scouted and recruited by interested universities, women, according to the Association for Interscholastic Athletics for Women (IAIAW) rules, cannot be initially approached by a school.

"So we called them," Speaker recalled. After sending videotapes of herself on the course to both MSU and the University of Michigan, Speaker was offered four-year athletic scholarships from both. But because she is not certain of her scholastic direction, Speaker said the decision as to which school to accept was easy.

"U-M is just starting a golf team, whereas MSU not only has an established team, it won the Big 10 championship last year."

Speaker, who will graduate from Bentley next month, said she feels the best part of her game is off the tee and in the fairway.

Besides golf, which she said she plays every day of the summer, Speaker has earned varsity letters in volleyball and basketball.

She also maintains an A scholastic average.

Dedication set for June 11

The Ilene M. Wilson Memorial will be dedicated at 1 p.m. on Sunday, June 11, at the Beechwoods Recreation Center in Southfield.

The landscaped area will consist of a maple tree, burning bushes, and benches surrounded by log rounds, wood chips and railroad ties.

The site will be located next to the children's playground and is being donated by the Beechwoods Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association and by Mrs. Wilson's husband and children, Edward, Scott, Mark and Stacey Wilson.

Chairwoman for the event is Betty Armitage, Elementary School, George Melow, Linda Branson, Dorothy Gordon and Linda Pechman, representatives of the city's Parks and Recreation Department; members of the Beechwood branch, relatives, neighbors and friends.

Invited guests are the children's principal and teachers from the Eisenhower Elementary School, George Melow, Ellen Branson, Dorothy Gordon and Linda Pechman, representatives of the city's Parks and Recreation Department; members of the Beechwood branch, relatives, neighbors and friends.

A reception will follow.

Tennis Tournament this year will be township resident and former West Bloomfield High School flight three varsity player Brian Bez. He was a member of the 15-18 year old winning doubles team in both 1976 and 1977 and last year won the boys singles event in the same age category.

His varsity experience, on a team which in 1976 finished third in the state, includes being a first doubles winner in the state regionals. Bez will be entering his sophomore year as a pre-law student at Michigan State University.

Adults interested in participating in the tournament must be available for play from 4 p.m. weekdays and all day weekends. Youths must be available for play all day during the tournament, unless school conflicts.

The tournament has been planned for a 32-draw in most events with a 16-draw minimum. Play will be two of three sets for all but the 14 and under age category. Players in the latter category will play a 10-game pro set with

a nine point tie breaker at nine-all for the preliminary rounds and two of three sets for the finals.

Participants will receive the tournament rules by mail with their court assignment for their first round match.

Preliminary matches will take place primarily on the West Hills Junior High School courts with the overflow on West Bloomfield High School courts.

All matches will be monitored by the Parks and Recreation staff. Draw sheets will be posted at the Drake House.

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Farmington Hills softball standings

Following are the won-lost standings for the softball teams in the Farmington Hills Parks and Recreation Department's summer leagues. Standings reflect games played through May 24.

MEN'S TUESDAY OPEN TEAM STANDINGS — Dan Subington—4-0; Miler Auto—3-1; Big Bill's Sporting Goods—2-1; Suburban Sports—2-1; Wayne Oakland Park—2-1; Henderson—1-1; Phil's Bar Louie—1-1; Jace's Lounge—0-4; RECENT GAMES — Phil's Bar Louie 4, Jace's Lounge 0; Wayne Oakland Park 11, Henderson 8; Big Bill's Sporting Goods 3, Suburban Sports 3; Dan's Submarine 18, Miler Auto 7.

WOMEN'S OPEN LEAGUE TEAM STANDINGS — All-Sports Uniforms—2-0; LaPlata's Raiders—2-0; Taylor Sporting Goods—2-1; C.C. Collins—1-2; Honey Sandquist Funeral Home—1-2; Nemata—1-1; A.J. Astorini—0-3; RECENT GAMES — LaPlata's Raiders 13, Honey Sandquist 2; Taylor Sporting Goods 13, Nemata 0; All-Sports Uniforms 13, A.J. Astorini 0.

WOMEN'S INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE TEAM STANDINGS — Inlet Food—3-0; Town & Country Dodge—2-0; Seitz—1-0; Farmington Hills—1-1; Galt Farm—1-1; Farmington Hills—1-1; Diamond Boutique—0-2; TL Printing—0-1; RECENT GAMES — Farmington Professionals 11, Seitz 11; Town & Country Dodge 11, Diamond Boutique 8; Inlet Food 16, TL Printing 8; Galt Farm 15, Farmington Hills 15.

MEN'S INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE TEAM STANDINGS — For D'Italia—4-0; Executive Office Supply—3-1; Beacon Terrace—2-1; Michigan National Bank—2-1; Stein Haus—2-1; Alexander Hamilton Life—1-1; St. Alexander—1-2; Fargo Customs—0-4; RECENT GAMES — For D'Italia 10, Roman Terrace 7; Stein Haus 6, Alexander Hamilton Life 5; Michigan National Bank 21, Fargo Customs 2; Executive Office Supply 11, St. Alexander 8.

MEN'S THURSDAY OPEN TEAM STANDINGS — Adley Photo—3-0; Miler Auto—3-0; Phil's Sporting Goods—3-1; Bell Center—2-1; Village Blue—2-1; Melminor's Sporting Goods—1-4; RECENT GAMES — Miler Auto 23, Bell Center 9; Adley Photo 8, Melminor's Sporting Goods 4; Village Blue 14, Phil's Sporting Goods 7; Lippin's Sporting Goods 7, Oasis Golf Center 6.

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