rector of the upcoming Wolverine v tournament.
It all begins at 8 a.m. Saturday.
Some 200 teams, 3,600 boys and girls ages 10 to 19 to be exact, will play 350 games of soccer on 21 lields. The event, which concludes with the championship games on Monday, is sanctioned by the Michigan State Youth Soccer Association (MSYSA).
Teams from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohlo, Missouri, Maryland, Indiana and Ontario will invade the School-craft soccer complex in search of the coveted Wolverine titles.

#### soccer

"This is a quality tournament," said Peterman, now in his fourth year as chairman. "The brand of soccer played here is at a higher level than any other state.

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There are two big tournaments in the Mildwest, the Wolverice and the Buckeye in Ohio. This is what the people want to see."

PETERMAN said he refused entry to 50 teams this year.

"We decide who comes through their applications," Peterman said. "It's based on records and the type of com-

petition they've played."

All of Michigan's state champlomhip teams are expected to compete. They include the FLIP Rowdies, a team comprised of the area's top girls high school players, who captured the 19 and under Midwert Regional title two weeks ago at Schoolcraft.

Other state champion clubs on hand include the Spirit of '83 of Warren, boys 19 and under; Livonia Hawks, girls 18; Carpathia Rickers, boys 18; WSSI. Stingers, girls 14; Troy United, boys 14; Northville United, girls 12; and Vardar III (comprised primarily of Livonia

Boys and girls across the state and the Midwest will also yie in the 10 and

IT WAS ONLY lest weekend that Schoolcraft botted 44 teams, 14 and moder to 8 and under, in its annual Tournament of Champions.

On July 31 and 32, Schoolcraft will host the Midwest Regionals for boys and girls in the 16, 14 and 13 and under Admission is 40 per 49 for parking, in addition to 8choolcraft (footted on Haggerty between Six and Seven Mille roats in Livotia), games will be played at Bleentennial and Jaycee parks in Livotia.

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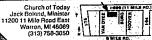
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## Ignasiak a Junior Olympian

Orchard Lake Si. Mary All-State plicher Mike Ignasiak couldn't believe it when he found out last week that he had been named to the U.S. Junior Olympic basebail team.

The 18-year-oid senior was one of 24 players selected from across the country that will represent the United States at the World Youth Basebail Championships in Kindersley, Saskatchewan, Canada from July 18 to July 29.

"I think it's great, he said. "It will be a privilege to represent my country." I aimost fainted when my parents told me. It never crossed my mind that Id make the team. I had to sit down."

IGNASIAK, WHO lives in Anchor-

ville, had an outstanding prep career at St. Mary's. This season, he compiled a 6-1 record, despite limited mound duty due to a sore arm. He fanned 100 batters in 57 innings. He also played a fine second base and batted 339 while cracking three homers and knocking in 25 runs. He led the Eaglets to a second place finish in the Class C state tourna-ment.

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#### baseball

uter. The entegories included batting, itching, base-running and defensive

"I HAVE GOOD location on my pitches," said Ignasiak, who throws a fastball, curve and slider. "Speed is also one of my assets. I'm quick for my size, and I think I'm pretty good defen-aively."

The youngest of 12 children, Ignasiak hopes to follow in the footsteps of his older brother Gary, who pitched for the Detroit Tigers.

But first, he wants to get a good edu-cation. He will take his 90-plus mph fastball to the University of Michigan on a scholarship next fall.

Ignatiak left Sunday for Rapid City, S.D., where the team will conduct a camp to get ready for the World Cham-plonships.

THE 10-TEAM field includes teams from Australia, Belgium, Taiwan, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Korea, Canada, Panama and Puerto Rico.

Ignasiak left with just one goal in mind.

"I'd love to bring home the gold," he said.

## Super athlete 'wheels' for gold

Southfield's Kris Lenro accomplished what he set out to do at the International Games for the Disabled—he was no Tolympic gold medal.

The 24-year-old double amputee, who represented the United States in track events, crusted to victory in the 600-meter dash with a time of 1:06:13 last week in Nassau County, N.Y.

He show wheeled his way to a silver medal in the 100 and finished a respectable fifth in the 800.

"It was a big thrill," he said. "I was somewhat satisfied with my performance, considering I wasn't in top condition."

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LENZO SUSTAINED an injury to his elbow last winter, and he wasn't able to start training until April, just two months before the games began.

'I had to push myself a little harder — It took me more time to get back into shape," ho said. 'I didn't have much time to get myself ready and I don't think I prepared myself as well as I coold've. But I did about as well as I expected."

The International Games are run Olympic-style and feature the world's top amputee, blind, cerebral palay and other physically disabled a thietes.

Athletes from 50 countries competed for two weeks (June 18-30) to determine world champions in a series of events, including track, swimming, wreetling, weightilliting and wheelchair soccer.

'It was nice — I had a good time,' Lenon said. 'I met a lot of friends from across the country.'

HIS TIMES, including his sprint for the gold, were well off his personal bests, but so were those of the other athletes.

'It was bot and the track was very soft,' he said.
'Actually, it was to my advantage to race on a soft

Track.

'I haven't raced all year," he said. 'I needed more practice time to reach top speed. I usually get a good jump from the start, but my starts were just OK. I'm just jad I got my gold."

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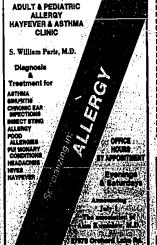
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