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ABC meeting means changes

MORE THAN 1,300 delegates attended the 10th Convention of the ABC (American Bowling Congress) in Toledo, Ohio.

Representing our local communities were Gene Collins and Joseph Gonsky of Livonia, Joe Gonsky of Westland, Frank Pietras of Farmington, Frank Verba of Garden City and Warren Teubert of Redford.

Considerable attention was given to the System of Bowling concept, which is to be implemented everywhere next season. This has to do with the way lanes will be oiled and inspection procedures.

Perhaps the most noteworthy is the increase in annual dues. This was supposed to be a hot issue, but it passed easily. If you haven't guessed, there will be an increase in the sanction fee next year.

Let's face it, along with the increase in rates from most bowling, it will cost a bit more for league bowlers next season. Still, it's the biggest bargain in town for your sports dollar and substantially below bowling rates for most other parts of the country.

There is a new move to establish a joint ABC/WIBC rule book, this was decided upon by the ladies of the WIBC.

This convention turned out to be one of the best organized ever. The delegates were very well impressed with the way it was organized, the facilities and the entire conduct of all proceedings.

Also tied in with the convention was the induction ceremony for the Bowling Hall of Fame with five new inductees, the total number is now 145 with only 66 of them still living. Of the 66, 45 turned out, including a name that all old timers remember, that was Joe Norris, formerly from the Detroit area and at 81 retired in the ABC Tournament, has 62nd.

The ABC convention next year will be held in Corpus Christi, Texas.

There are many new and more sophisticated bowling balls out there by Columbia had such a strong recommendation that I decided to try one for myself.

I had it drilled by Mark Mohr at the Right Approach in Merri Bowl Lanes.

Although I had a little trouble adjusting to the ball, I made a few adjustments and found a little different line to the pocket last week at Plum Hollow Lanes with a 282 game and 715 series.

I really like this ball. It hits hard and seems to carry well.

The U2 is available at most pro shops. It is available in a dull black finish or shiny blue. I like the dull black but because of the usually oily lane conditions.

I had the opportunity to try out a nice exercise for the legs. It is called Power Slide Board and is used to build up strength and agility in the leg muscles.

The board is smooth and flat, six feet long and you are able to slide across, back and forth, similar to skating. It's a good workout and very likely will keep those legs in shape for the good steps that are vital to a good approach and delivery.

This product might become available in bowling pro shops along with other sporting goods stores soon.

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Del Aire Lanes (Farmington): Del Aire Senior House League - Jerry Lutz, 715; Bob Oly, 755; 781; Paul Koenig, 256/684; Maria Russo, 685; Fred Rickman, 677; Tom Johnson, 677; Tom Jorkis, 667; Mike Alper, 656; Fred Vlah, 652; Doug Smith, 650; Ted Gokkberg, 654; Glenn Litwin, 279; Jim Wilson, 271; Al Peterson, 568.

Country Lanes (Farmington Hills): Greenfield Mixed - Ryan Wilson, 320/747; Ray Markel, 279/618; Sherry Petre, 212/552; Rob Metz, 230/602; Tom Blanchard, 238/640; Clara Johnson, 201; Jim Johnson, 245/658; Steve Muzichak, 247/603; Blaine Gooding, 207; Barbara Turner, 219/610; Shirley Fink, 202; Jack Harrison, 214/572.

Jewish War Veterans - Aron Gerson, 254/681; Herbert Bogard, 241; Harold Harned, 239/645; Jeffery Burg, 213; Steven Hoberman, 230/633; Richard Grant, 220; David Margolis, 216; Lawrence Garfinkel, 216; Jerome Goldstein, 233; Michael Epstein - 225; Morton Margolis, 214; Joseph Smith, 216.

Wednesday Junior League - Andy Morkin, 290/710.

Monday Men's League - Tom Trifari, 279/748; Ray Quigley, 272.

Country Lanes (Livonia): Ladies Invitational Doubles - Golden Bats, 255; Bobbi Stopp, 257/620; Cathy Hunter, 211/613; Gerry Levy, 211; Paul Lesiak, 231/586; Carol Dragasak, 204/571; Carol Welch, 217/561; Kathy Simeon, 217; Denise Goltman, 290/585; June Buck, 206/565; Paul Suckow, 195/195/558; Sue Schaefer, 210/513.

Men's Senior House League - John Bryngelson, 279/701; Garrett Nagle, 267/690; Carl Hustin, 231/654; Steve Paulus, 232/652; D.J. Archer, 225/662; Greg Cohen, 260/697; John Hage, 245/656.

Senior House League - Donna Kress, 209/545; Bumper Bowlers - Mark Eggert, 94; Anthony Schrat, 117; Kristen Tapala, 92; Ben Robinson, 84; Nicky Wozniak, 110; Brad Leach, 110.

Wednesday Morning Ladies - Barb Munir, 748.

Wednesday Pacerettes Ladies - Cindy Wil, 210; Sandy Pardo, 200; Rich Schneider, 212.

Oak Glen - Dana Fisher, 201.

Wednesday Live Men's League - Ken Dwyer, 245; Bob Pummil, 245; Fred Weiss, 268/232/672; Mike Benton, 253; Bob Barclay, 235; Ron Mast, 256.

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DEA agents nab former area star

By C.J. Risak
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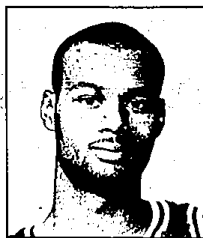
Throughout his basketball career, Parish Hickman was often disappointed, in high school at Redford Bishop Borgess, and in college at Michigan State University.

"He wasn't exactly satisfied here," said his former coach at Borgess, Mike Fusco. "But any problems we had were confined to the basketball court. Most of the time, he wanted to shoot his jumper and I didn't want him to."

Hickman's life flip-flopped Monday. A criminal justice major at MSU, he found himself facing a criminal charge when he was arrested by U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration officials on a charge of attempting to sell a kilo of cocaine — with an estimated street value of \$1 million — to an undercover agent outside MSU's Hubbard Hall.

Another man, Maurice L. Polster of Detroit, was also arrested by the DEA, in cooperation with local law enforcement authorities. A third man, who reportedly escaped with the cocaine, is being sought. According to federal authorities, the arrests were part of a six-month, ongoing investigation.

Further arrests are pending, but



Parish Hickman
arrested by DEA

officials would not indicate if other MSU athletes were involved.

HICKMAN APPEARED at a hearing Tuesday before U.S. Magistrate Hugh W. Brennenman, where it was determined he would be held without bond. Federal prosecutors were hoping it would be the first step in obtaining an indictment. Whatever problems, whatever disappointments Hickman experienced on-court will pale in comparison to

the troubles he appears headed for in court.

"It's very unfortunate," said Fusco. "I don't know the entire situation, so I can't really speculate. But I'm very disappointed, very shocked, very dismayed."

"I think the people who knew him at Bishop Borgess are all very disappointed."

MSU spokesman Terry Denbow said Tuesday no action had been taken by the university against Hickman, who — according to reports — was being held in Kent County Jail in Grand Rapids on charges of attempted delivery of a controlled substance and possession with intent to deliver narcotics.

"He's still a student, he's still a member of the basketball team and he's still presumed innocent," said Denbow. "I know he hasn't been suspended from school, and I talked to people who have talked to (MSU basketball coach) Jud Heathcote and it was told his status hasn't changed."

"In a day or two it may, but we have to wait until we have all the information."

A 21-YEAR-OLD junior, Hickman was the Spartans' first frontcourt reserve on this year's team, averaging six points and 3.7 rebounds a game.

Although he was just 6-foot-7, he often filled in for 6-11 center Mike Peplowski. Hickman was counted on more for defense than offense.

At Borgess, he was a pivot, part of a team that captured the Catholic League championship his junior year and reached the 1988 Class B state final when he was a senior. Borgess lost to MSU teammate Matt Steigenaga's Grand Rapids South Christian team.

Still, more was expected from Borgess because it featured three Division I players: Dayne Kelley, the University of Detroit-Mercy's leading scorer last season; Shawn Respert, who was signed by MSU (but has yet to play, due to a knee injury); and DaJuan Smith, who played at Eastern Kentucky.

Fusco insisted he had no off-court problems with Hickman. "None at all," was Fusco's reply. "I think Parish was a normal high school student when he was here."

On Sunday, the day before Hickman's arrest, former MSU football player Carlos Marino was arrested on drug charges near Lansing by Ingham County sheriff's deputies. Officials have stated there is no connection between the two cases.

Dolesh brothers hailed as winners

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onships, because (Scott's teams) never won a Pee Wee championship," Scott said.

From an injury standpoint, Scott was glad to see the season end. Now he can rest and recuperate.

After recovering from mononucleosis and an ankle injury early in the season, he got hit on an ear with the puck during the state tournament March 10 and spent six days recovering from a concussion.

Scott, who also played soccer at Farmington, wants to pursue a college hockey career. He will play for the Waterloo (Iowa) Black Hawks in the United States Hockey League next year, attend a junior college and, hopefully, earn a scholarship.

"Both boys are team players," said their father, Dale Dolesh. "Both take a great deal of pride in how the team does. I'm happy for them because both have worked hard."

Erik Dolesh
PeeWee winger

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hockey

The players also made their parents proud.

"FRIENDS WERE coming up to us (Sunday) and saying 'Hey, two of them today.' You can't say a whole lot at the point, but they can tell by the smile on your face that you're really proud."

Erik, an eighth grader at Power Middle School and Observer news carrier, plays right wing for the PeeWee team and also had seven points in the national tournament. He had nearly 80 for the season, Scott 47.

Erik scored the first goal in the championship game against rival Chicago, which he beaten on Little Caesars in three of four regular-season meetings.

Farmington has new coach, courts

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year, and maybe by the end of the season, we can qualify for the state championships again in Class B."

Even though the Hawks finished fifth in the WIAA last season, they still qualified for the state tournament where they finished 15th in Class B. This year Goldstein believes that goal isn't far-fetched.

"I'm not sure how good the rest of the league is, but all the coaches say the team is weak," Goldstein said. "I'm the only honest one that says that."

"The team should learn a lot this

FARMINGTON

The Falcons feature five new additions, both expected to improve the program.

The first addition is coach Tim Prince, who played for the Falcons in 1982 and '83. The next four are new tennis courts that bring the total available to eight.

"It will be a growing season for both me and the team," Prince said.

"I don't think we have a bad team. We have some talent. I think it would be a good year for us if we finished 500 or better."

"We are excited about the four new courts. It gives me the opportunity to have more people on the team. I was able to keep whoever tried out and that's important."

Seniors Minogge (Trivedi) and Chris Zbanek will be the Nos. 1 and 2 singles players, respectively. Sope more Aaron Bonmatto will take over at third singles and senior Paul Zogelman will play fourth singles. The three doubles teams, will con-

slat of freshman-junior combinations. Junior York Griffith and freshman Nathan Hoag will play first doubles; Junior Hung Nguyen and freshman Brett Kotreba second doubles; Junior Jeff Schmidt and freshman Kevin Cook third doubles.

Being a rookie coach, Prince doesn't know too much about his WIAA competition.

"That might be a benefit," Prince said. "If you know the other team is good, you may change your thinking. So we'll go into every match thinking we can win it."

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