

Bowling transcends racial boundaries



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As we have observed Martin Luther King day last Monday, it seems that few have recognized the way the sport of bowling has exemplified the true meaning and spirit of his dream of racial integration.

Surely there are many good leagues in the Detroit area that enjoy a friendly competitive scene with their roots open to anyone regardless of race, color or creed. The big question for a team captain could be, "Can this guy bowl?" When bowlers look up their shoes they do not waste thought energy on whether a bowler or team is black, white or purple, but rather ask "What's his average?" It is also noteworthy that the African-American

community has taken to bowling in increasing numbers while the overall league memberships have been falling every year. Black bowlers have distinguished themselves well on the lanes over the years with some of the best names in the game. Such a list would have to start with Cheryl Daniels, Carmen Allen, Yvonne Jones, Novella White and Tamika Glenn among the women, Curtis Odum, Gerald Brown, Frank Robinson Jr., Lonnie Jones, Earl Justice, and from an earlier era, Edwin Pearl, Bill Rodman, John Barnhill and Bill Grundy. Many of the younger kids today show a lot of promise, such as Pat Brown, who led his Plymouth-Salem team to the state high school championship last year.

Many of our leaders in the local associations are African-Americans, such as the Detroit Women's Bowling Association's president, Murtha Cooper, third vice president, Libbi Fletcher

and board member Linda Landrum. The officials of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association include First Vice President Marvin Dooley, John Davis Jr., John J. Davis, Frank Robinson Jr. and past President Eben Smart. These are people who have devoted their time and energy to the betterment of the sport without thought of compensation or financial gain.

Wanza Christie of Redford averages around 134 in the West Lawn Ladies Senior League at Oak Lakes in Westland. Last Monday she rolled a 240 game, which is good for anyone who bowls but great for a 76-year-old. Wanza has been bowling since the age of 18 and, needless to say, she loves the game. This is indeed a lifetime sport for those who enjoy it as much. For those who get regular mailings from AARP, there are plenty of good opportunities to bowl and have fun. Senior leagues are everywhere. The atmosphere is

always friendly. There is lots of good competition, and the cost is usually less. Even the handicap fee is discounted for seniors age 55 and over. There are some good tournaments, "golden opportunities" for seniors both locally and at the national level.

The Michigan State Bowling Association Tournament at Jackson is currently in week No. 2 of its 17-week run. The Optional Doubles event has the combination of Lee Snow of Farmington Hills and Ken Kossick of Canton in fourth place in the "Scratch Optional" with a score of 1,364. Livonia's Joe Parks and Bob Rozyski lead in "Scratch Doubles" actual with 1,462. This pair also leads in "Doubles Handicap" with 1,551. Kossick currently holds first place in "Singles" actual with 779, which is also good for fifth place in "Singles Handicap." Snow has second in "All-Events Actual" with 2,119.

COUNTRY LANE (FARMINGTON)
*Final Birth Jacobson: Dennis Eder, 238/501.

Franklin alum resigns as school's coach

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Rick Lee, who has been fixture in Livonia's Franklin High since its playing days in the mid-1970s, has stepped down after seven seasons as the school's varsity football coach.

FOOTBALL

Lee first became an assistant with the Patriots in 1985 under Armand Vigna. He also played for Vigna as a linebacker and tight end, catching a touchdown pass in the 1976 state Class A

championship game in a 21-7 win over Traverse City.

The 43-year-old Lee addressed his players Friday afternoon after informing Franklin principal Dan Willenborg and Livonia director Dan Freeman of his decision on Tuesday.

Lee, who commuted to practices daily from his home in Birmingham, works for Four-way Asphalt Co. of Center Line.

"I was given a great opportunity to coach at my alma mater and I'm thankful Dan (Freeman) hired me. I'm also thankful Armand (Vigna) gave me an opportunity to coach at Franklin in the mid 80s. I also appreciate what Dr. (Kenneth) Watson (Livonia's Superintendent of Schools) did for me there when he was principal."

Lee's record at Franklin was 21-42. His best season came in 1996 when the Patriots finished 6-5, losing only to state champions Farmington Hills Harrison (Class AA) and Walled Lake Western (Class AA), and state runner-up Sterling Heights Stevenson (Class AA).

The 2000 Patriots started the season 1-5, but rebounded to win their last three games to finish 4-5 overall. All five defeats came against state playoff qualifiers.

"Rick has been well thought out and it's simply time to move on," Lee said. "It's bittersweet, but I enjoyed every minute I coached here. My brothers Bob and John played at Franklin. It's been a part of me a long time. I remember going to my first game there in 1969 when I was 12 years-old."

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In Lee's final game as Franklin coach, the Patriots defeated Trenton, 37-10, as the 1975 state championship team celebrated its 25-year reunion.

"To win the last three in a row was a winning season to me and I was really proud of this group," Lee said. "Winning that last game gave me some closure, especially with that '75 team being there that night and

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**FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
INVITATION TO BID**

Farmington Public Schools will accept sealed bids for Televisions and VCR's until 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 6, 2001 at the Lewis Schulman Administration Center, 32600 Shawwassee, Farmington, MI 48336, addressed to Paul Hain at which time they will be publicly opened and read for presentation to the Board of Education at their next regularly scheduled meeting. The Board will not consider or accept a bid received after the date and time specified.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or to waive any informality therein; or for reasons of establishing uniformity, to award the contract to other than the low bidder. Fax proposals will not be accepted. Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check or Bid Bond in the amount of five (5%) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to Farmington Public Schools.

Bid documents will be available at the Purchasing Office, (248) 489-3344. Bidders are required to attend a site-visit on Tuesday, January 16, 2001 at 10:00 A.M. at the Harrison High School Media Center, 29995 W. Twelve Mile, Farmington Hills 48334. If you are unable to attend, please call Dave Wertheimer at (248) 489-3347 to reschedule.

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**LAKE AREA
YOUTH SOCCER
LEAGUE**

The Lakes Area Youth Soccer League will hold registration for the 2001 Spring season at the **ABBOTT MIDDLE SCHOOL** THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2001 - 7:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M. SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2001 - 10:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. **ORCHARD LAKE ROAD at COMMERCE**

This program is for boys and girls aged 6 or older as of 8/1/2000. Proof of age is required for players new to the league. For more information call 539-4866.

Extra registration forms for mail available at:

- Walled Lake Community Education
- Walled Lake Community Education, Pontiac Trail near Maple
- West Bloomfield Community Education
- Orchard Lake Middle School, Orchard Lake north of Maple
- West Bloomfield Parks & Recreation
- West Bloomfield Civic Center
- Commerce Township Hall
- West Bloomfield Township Hall

**CITY OF FARMINGTON
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
(Summary)**

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order by Mayor Hartack at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2001 in Council Chambers, 23800 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was sent in compliance with Public Act 217-1976.

PRESENT: Bush, Campbell, Hartack, McShane, Mitchell.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, City Attorney Donohoe, Director Goss, Director Goshman, Assistant City Manager Richards.

Minutes of the Special and Regular Meetings of January 3, 2001 and the Joint Council meeting of November 27, 2000 were approved as submitted.

Mayor Hartack presented a proclamation to Keganian Tavian in recognition of his extensive, award-winning works of art.

Minutes of other boards were received and filed.

Council issued a proclamation declaring January 21-27, 2001 as Farmington Area Junior Chamber of Commerce Week in Farmington.

Council recommended David Mariner and William Ingalls to the Construction Board of Appeals.

Council accepted the resignation of Carol Eve Hyaka from the Beautification Commission.

Council introduced Ordinance No. C-478-2001 to resume parcel nos. 23-28-221-413 at 88422 Oakwood Street from R-1 to C.R.D.

Council approved a professional services agreement with the City planning group of Longworth, Strader, LaRocca & Associates, Inc. to rewrite the City's zoning ordinance.

Public Comments were heard.

Council considered and comments were heard.

Council approved the Building Department Quarterly Report from October 2000.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

**WILLIAM S. HARTACK, Mayor
PATRYK CANTRELL, City Clerk/Treasurer**

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**LEGAL NOTICE
CLARENCEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
20210 Middlebelt Road
Livonia, Michigan 48152**

1. **TYPES OF BIDS REQUIRED**

a. Notice is hereby given that CLARENCEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Owner) will receive Sealed Bids for the Clarenceville High School and Grandview Elementary Boiler Replacement Project as:

1) A single lump sum Bid incorporating all of the Work required to complete the Project, including all trades involved. Segregated Bids will not be accepted.

2. **RECEIPT OF BIDS**

a. Bids will be received at Clarenceville Public Schools, Board of Education Office, 20210 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152, on Friday, February 2, 2001, until 2:00 p.m., local time.

b. Bids will be opened publicly in the Clarenceville Public Schools, Board of Education Office, 20210 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152, at 3:00 p.m., local time, on February 2, 2001, and read aloud.

3. **EXAMINATION OF BIDDING DOCUMENTS**

a. The Bidding Documents prepared by URS Corporation (which include bid forms, specifications, drawings, and contract documents) may be examined by Bidders at the following places:

1) Washburn Contractors Association, Inc./Plan Room, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

2) F.W. Dodge Corporation, Southfield, Michigan.

3) Construction Market Data, Novi, Michigan.

4) Construction Association of Michigan, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

4. **BIDDING DOCUMENTS DEPOSIT AND SHIPPING AND HANDLING FEES**

a. Bidding Documents may be obtained from Westside Reprographics, 17660 Hills Tech Drive, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48331, phone 248/489-1999. Documents will be available January 17, 2001.

1) Bidders and Subidders may each obtain one (1) set of Bidding Documents from the office of Westside Reprographics upon receipt of a deposit of Thirty-Five Dollars (\$35.00).

2) Shall have applicable licenses, where licenses are required by authorities having jurisdiction.

3) Shall have ample financial resources to perform the Work required by the Contract Documents.

5. **BIDDERS' QUALIFICATIONS**

a. Bidders submitting a Bid for the Project shall have the following qualifications:

1) Shall be a reputable, recognized organization, with at least five (5) years of successful experience performing work of the type and scope, and of equal or better quality than required for the Project.

b. If requested, Bidders shall submit evidence, in affidavit form, of experience, financial resources, work now in hand, organization, and Bidder integrity, to the Architect at least 14 calendar days prior to the time and date set for opening of Bids.

6. **The Bid shall be accompanied by a bid security in an amount not less than 5 percent of the Base Bid plus all additive alternates.**

7. **Bidders labor costs for the Project shall be determined by calculating labor costs at not less than current wages rates prevailing in the county of the State where the Project is located.**

8. **A Bid may not be withdrawn or cancelled by a Bidder for a period of thirty (30) days following the time and date set for receipt of Bids.**

9. **The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids to waive regularity, and to accept a Bid which, in the Owner's opinion, is in the Owner's own best interests.**

10. **Final contract award will be made at the Clarenceville High School on January 30, 2001, at 3:30 p.m. local time. Attendance by Bidders is not mandatory.**

11. **Work required by the proposed Contract Documents, shall be completed by August 30, 2001, except for minor replacement, correction or adjustment of items, which do not interfere with the operation, and utilization of all parts of the Work constructed for by the Owner.**

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
CLARENCEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

1. **TYPES OF BIDS REQUIRED**

a. Notice is hereby given that CLARENCEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS will receive sealed bids for the erection of a permanent bleacher seating system with pressbox.

2. **RECEIPT OF BIDS**

a. Bids will be received at Clarenceville Public Schools, Board of Education Office, 20210 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152, on Friday, February 2, 2001 until 3:00 p.m. local time.

b. Bids will be opened publicly in the Clarenceville Public Schools, Board of Education Office, 20210 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152, at 3:00 p.m., local time on February 2, 2001, and read aloud.

3. **BIDDING DOCUMENTS AND SPECIFICATIONS**

The bidding documents and specifications can be obtained by contacting Clarenceville School District at: Clarenceville Public Schools, Board of Education Office, 20210 Middlebelt Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152 or by calling (248) 472-8500.

4. **BIDDERS' QUALIFICATIONS**

a. Bidders submitting bids for the project shall have the following qualifications:

1) Shall be reputable, recognized organization, with at least five (5) years of successful experience performing work of the type and scope, and of equal or better quality than required for the project.

2) Shall have applicable licenses where licenses are required by authorities having jurisdiction.

3) Shall have ample financial resources to perform the work required.

5. **The bid shall be accompanied by a bid security in an amount not less than 5 percent of the base bid plus all additive alternates.**

6. **The owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities, and to accept a bid which, in the owner's opinion, is in the owner's best interests.**

7. **Work required by the proposed contract documents shall be completed by August 30, 2001, except for minor replacement, correction or adjustment of items, which do not interfere with the operation and utilization of the bleacher system.**

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PUBLIC STORAGE MANAGEMENT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 4 of the Self-Service Storage Facility Act, State of Michigan, the undersigned will sell at public auction sale by competitive bidding. Sales are for cash only. Removal within 24 hours. All sales are storage units for which rent and fees are past due.

On the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at Public Storage, 34050 Nine Mile Road, Farmington, MI 48335, (248) 473-4020, on February 20, 2001 at 12:15 p.m. The personal description below:

In the Matter Of:

Darin Reimann - Space H051 - End table, dresser, wall unit, TV, lamp.

Carl Wheeling Sr. - Space H003 - Speakers, sofa, fan, monitor, scanner.

Domingo Nieto - Space H060 - Misc. items have been stored and which are located at Public Storage, 12900 Newburgh Rd., Livonia, MI 48150, (734) 591-6006, on February 20, 2001 at 11:30 a.m. The personal property described below:

In the Matter Of:

Jennifer Perez - Space F004 - Desk, boxes, vacuum, chair, bed frame.

Vida W. White - Space C048 - Chairs, speakers, sewing machine, misc.

Domingo Nieto - Space C048 - Misc. items, speakers, chair, boxes.

All sales subject to adjournment.

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