

Bowlers merge into single group



Ten Pin Alley

Al Harrison

(ABC), Women's International Bowling Congress (WIBC), Young American Bowling Alliance (YABA) and USA Bowling.

The boards of directors of each organization met and decided to proceed with the single membership organization plan, which had been proposed about two years ago and now it appears that it will happen as the joint boards voted unanimously to approve the merger.

That doesn't mean it's a done deal, as the ABC and WIBC will both be taking it to a vote at the 2003 national conventions.

If you have any of your own ideas on the subject, do not hesitate to contact your local association officers and let them know how you feel about it. After all, they are at the conventions representing you.

■ If you are reading this edition on Sunday, Nov. 10, you can turn on the ESPN at 1 p.m. and catch the final of the Greater Detroit Open with the Professional Bowlers Tour coming to you live from Taylor Lanes.

At the time of this edition's deadline, it is not possible to list who the finalists are, but you may see someone you know in the audience whenever the cameras pan in that direction. Better yet, if you receive this paper early enough, and want to go, drive on down to Eureka in which he has been an active member of for a mere 67 consecutive years. (Could that be one for the Guinness Book of Records?)

You must arrive by 12 noon in order to be seated for the show, which begins at 1 p.m. ■ They celebrated his 99th birthday at Board of Education Bowling League, which bowls on Thursday nights at Oak Lanes in Westland.

Lew Saad is the elder statesman of the Greater Detroit Bowling association and a charter member in this league in which he has been an active member of for a mere 67 consecutive years. (Could that be one for the Guinness Book of Records?)

For many years it was Lew Saad who took in pledges of support to defray the costs of producing the GDBA annual yearbook.

Saad is also the oldest bowler in this years Old Timers Tournament.

He is also planning to make it to Knoxville, Tenn. next March to bowl in the ABC tournament this coming year. He is likely to be the oldest bowler in that event.

■ Gary Nagle of Westland bowled a 299 in the first game and catch the final of the Wednesday Senior Men's Classic at Mayflower Lanes in Redford.

He continued with a hot hand and finished the day with

a series of 805, a new all-time high series mark in the history of this league.

Humor Department: Willy and Willy were life-long bowling buddies. They bowled in four leagues together and went to all the tournaments.

As they were getting older they made a pact, that which one died first would try to contact the other one from heaven and let him know if they had bowling there.

As time went on, Willy passed away.

After some months had gone by, Willy was awakened from his sleep by a voice calling his name.

Willy, is that you? Willy asked.

The voice replied, "Yes, it's me, and I'm in Heaven."

So Willy then asked, "So do they have any bowling there?"

Willy replied, "I have good news and bad news," Willy responded, "Give me the good news first."

So Willy told him "They have all kinds of bowling here, thousands of lanes and everybody bowls and carries an average."

"Now the bad news, Willy, you are scheduled to bowl anchor on my team next Tuesday."

WONDERLAND Lanes (Livonia)

Royal Handicap Mixed Classic: Phil "Doc" Watson, 299/821

MAYFLOWER Lanes (Redford)

Wednesday Senior Men's Classic: Gary Nagle, 299/805

PLAZA Lanes (Plymouth)

Happy Kings & Queens: Rob "Bacon" Anderson, 815

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Rockets Appreciation Day

The Farmington High School cheer squad, coached by Kirsten Schulte, invited the Farmington Rockets cheerleaders to cheer Oct. 25 at the Farmington HS football game against North Farmington. In addition to the girls cheering on the track, Rocket football players were in attendance as part of Rockets Appreciation Day. The FHS cheerleaders are Taylor Anderson, Deanna Birrell, Crista Bourdeau, Lauren Brantley, Julie Davies, Michelle Graham, Dani Lantz, Meagan Muszynski, Alaina Perry, Kathryn Scott, Lizzy Smith, Patrice Wade, Desiree Wiggins and Becky Willet. The Rocket cheerleaders are (varsity) Paige Nickless and Sara Kaberline; (JV) Katherine Galuska, Alex Gardner, Nicole Andrusiak, Hanain Majeed, Kelly Dennis, Camantha Thomas, Katie O'Connell, Jill Koenigsnecht, Zoe McCaskin, Alex Lesendak and Malie Lafontaine; (freshman) Haile Pizzagoli, Amy Thomas, Maggie Wink, Jessica Anderson, Alyssa Nens, Lerah Roller, Carlise McCarter, Kortney Rea, Rebecca Rutten, Marina Curtis and Baylie Campbell.

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overall. Clayton (Pontiac Central) suffered a broken hand in the opening game last year and missed the rest of the season.

The two players who played last season are Livonia Churchill product Pennegrass and Eric Thomas (Pontiac Central).

For the first time in several

seasons, the OCC roster consists almost entirely of Oakland County players. Pennegrass is the lone exception.

The sophomores on the team, besides Pennegrass and Thomas, are Ralph Sylvester of Birmingham Brother Rice and Murry.

Two of the nine freshmen are former North Farmington point guard Albert Deljovich, who helped the Raiders win Western Lakes

Activities Association and a Class A district championships, and Scott Mills, a 6-foot-7 post player who played last season at Farmington Harrison.

The other players are Kyle and Derek Caraway (Rochester), Craig Myree (Southfield/Zoe Christian), Ray Arnett (Pontiac Central), Collins (Auburn Hills Avondale), Brandon Page (Bessemer North) and Russell (Rochester).

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