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CLUB CHAMPS
Grace Graybill captured the club championship at Pine Lake Country Club with a three-round 270 recently in a fight to the finish.
After two 18-hole rounds, Graybill and eventual runner-up Lindy Kosak were deadlocked at the championship flight.
Kosak finished three strokes off the pace at 273.
Betty Bradford's 276 took third place.
Eileen Young shot a two-round 198 to claim the first-flight championship.
Runner-up Wini Lee tallied 205.
In second-flight competition, Sandy Branch bested the field at 210 while Sue Stanley shot 214, earning runner-up honors.
WOMEN'S FAST PITCH
When eight women's fast pitch teams convened for the double elimination Cass City Women's Fast Pitch Invitational Tournament Aug. 28-30, Birmingham will be represented.
The Birmingham Golden Eagles will join the Saginaw Red Barons, Midland Valleyettes, Bay City Pubs and Cadillac Delquist in the thumb-area city's tourney.
The Golden Eagles plan to take notes on the various Michigan squads, as they'll meet again for the A.S.A. Class B State Championship Labor Day weekend in Petoskey's Michigan-Waterfront Park.
Action will get under way for the Golden Eagles with a 9 a.m. contest Sept. 5 versus Saginaw Kimmel Lumber.
Other teams qualified for the state finals are Kalamazoo-Portage Metro; Coldwater B & B Vending; Petoskey Manufacturing; Cheyboygan Sparetime Lanes; Westland Daily Restaurant and Waterford Metro Merchants.
SAIL AWAY
Need an escape?
Hop aboard a 39-foot, fully equipped sailboat for a one-day sail Sept. 20. Sponsored by the Southfield Parks and Recreation Department, the trip costs \$40 and includes a box lunch. Sailors will pull away from the docks at Metropolitan Beach at 10 a.m. and drop anchor back at the beach around 5 p.m.
Wind permitting, passengers will sail toward Belle Isle.
Checks are payable to the Southfield Parks and Recreation Department and are due Aug. 31.
For further information, call 354-9603.
HOCKEY SCHOOL
The Southfield Hockey Club's annual Power Skating School gets under way today, continuing through Friday at the Civic Center Arena.
Rejean Tremblay is directing the program.
For further information call 356-0022.
WILDLIFE LOVERS
Visitors who have taken slides of Independence Oaks or wildlife at any of the Oakland County Parks are invited to share them at 8 p.m. Friday during the "Visitors' Slidefest" at the Twin Chimneys Shelter at Independence Oaks County Park.
To accommodate everyone, there is a limit of 10 slides per person. Participants should be prepared to narrate their program.
Phone 625-0877 for registration information.
Independence Oaks is located on Sashabaw Road in Clarkston.
TENNIS TOURNAY
Southfield's Parks and Recreation Department is hosting an open men's and women's doubles and mixed doubles tennis tournament Sept. 12-13 at the Southfield Civic Center Tennis courts.
Events include men's and women's open doubles; men's and women's 35-and-over doubles; open mixed doubles, and 35-and-over mixed doubles.
Application deadline is 8 p.m. Sept. 11. Entry fee is \$10 per event.
For more information call 356-9117 or 354-9603.
GOLF WITH ARNIE
Detroit-area golfers will have an opportunity to spend Sept. 29 with Arnold Palmer.
How? They can join him for the March of Dimes-NFL Players Association Celebrity Golf Classic at Indianwood Country Club in Lake Orion.
Also on hand will be a full contingent of Detroit Lions. The players will be donating their day off to help further the fight against birth defects.
The day kicks off with a buffet luncheon at 11 a.m.
At 12:30 p.m., Palmer will conduct a public golf clinic and then join four area players in an 18-hole Texas scramble tournament.
Palmer's partners will be chosen in a drawing on the WJR Sportswrap Show with Frank Beckman, co-chairman of the event, Sept. 24.
Stan Aldridge, Indianwood owner, will act as host, turning over his newly-refurbished club to assist the March of Dimes effort.
Golfers lucky enough to shoot a hole-in-one will win either a Cadillac Seville or a custom Zorba Duntov Corvette convertible.
For more information, call 639-9100 or 864-6000.



Mannie Fishman

Atlantis is found

There is a unique swim club in our area.
The Atlantis Swim Club, formed in July 1978, has swelled to more than 150 members. The relatively new club has done an excellent job attracting swimmers from the old Birmingham Swim Club, the Bloomfield Hills Swim Club, and both Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills schools' recreation departments.
When the Atlantis Swim Club was organized, they had several goals: Lure both the areas' existing and potential swim talent, and provide a quality, professionally managed swim and education program.
For best results, the ultimate source for success is the internal motivation of each swimmer.
The Atlantis Swim Club has dual meets throughout the year. The season is broken into two segments - September through March and April through August. The pools at Bloomfield Hills Lahser and Birmingham Berkshire Junior High will serve as the team's home sites this year.
MIKE ZINN, longtime successful swim coach at Dearborn High School, is the head coach and has two assistants. Zinn is hard-working and expects his swimmers to give their best effort at all times.
The team practices five nights a week. Zinn's only demands are that each swimmer attend all practices and be on time and ready to go.
Zinn has an interesting motto for this team, which is inscribed on the buttons they wear: "There is no limit!"
The Atlantis Swim Club should be congratulated for what they have accomplished in three short years. They certainly deserve the support of our community.
Thought for the day:
"I wish there were more time for the things there is never enough time for."

Girls tennis tourney slated

The Second Annual Girls Pre-Season High School Tennis Invitational, sponsored by the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission, will be Friday and Saturday, Aug. 28-29 at the Waterford Oaks Tennis and Court Games Complex.
Entry cost is \$5 for singles and \$8 for doubles.
Matches will be the best two-out-of-three sets with a 12-point tie-breaker at six-all in any set.
All matches are governed by U.S. Tennis Association rules. Trophies will be awarded to winners and runners-up.
Entry deadline is Wednesday, Aug. 26. The draw for first-round competition is Aug. 26. No phone registrations will be accepted.
Persons interested should phone tournament chairman Greg Lestan at 858-5435.
The Waterford Oaks Tennis and Court Games Complex is located on Scott Lake Road, adjacent to the Wave-Action Pool, in Pontiac.

Park needs ski patrollers

Winter may be a long way off, but the Independence Oaks County Park Nordic Ski Patrol is already "thinking snow."
The volunteer patrol is seeking new members to provide assistance to skiers at Independence Oaks this winter.
Skiers must have advanced first aid certification. In addition, they must pass written tests required by the National Ski Patrol as well as trail tests given at the park.
On weekends throughout the winter the Nordic Ski Patrol helps in maintaining the trails and aids skiers.
Independence Oaks offers more than 16 kilometers of trails on 830 wooded acres. Several routes are available for skiers of all abilities.
Independence Oaks annually hosts a "Snow Rush" ski race and a family ski tour both in January.
Other winter sports at Independence Oaks are ice skating, hockey and ice fishing on Crooked Lake. Independence Oaks is on Sashabaw Road, 2½ miles north of I-75.
For more information about the Nordic Ski Patrol, phone Independence Oaks County Park at 625-0877.

Pistol league forming

The Detroit Sportsman Congress (DSC) will sponsor an Indoor Practical Pistol Course League (IPPLL) beginning Sept. 9.
The league will meet every other Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. through April 28 and will be open to the public, club members and police. The fees are \$3 range fee for non-members and \$1.50 for each registered score.
Standard National Rifle Association (NRA) (practical pistol course) rules will be in effect.
Prizes and trophies will be presented at the season's conclusion in April. Awards will be given for high overall shooter plus the top shooters in each of four classes (Master, Expert, Sharpshooter and Marksman).
Scoring will be rated under the Lewis System in order to allow for an equal distribution of prizes and awards.
People interested in participating can register at the DSC Range Building, on Dequindre north of Hamlin Road, at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9.
For more information call 557-8400.

Rockets need footballers

The Farmington Rockets varsity football team is in search of more players. The deadline for registration has been extended to Aug. 24.
All boys 12 or 13 years old, weighing between 105 and 135 pounds, are eligible for the team. The squad plays an eight-game schedule. Last year's varsity finished the season at 7-1.
The cost per player is \$32, partly refundable through sale of tickets. Registration will be at Farmington High School at 5 p.m. Aug. 24. Matt Dowd is the Rockets' coach.
For further information, call Cheryl Varacalli at 478-6033.

Cable caper takes time

After a futile attempt in 1858 to establish trans-Atlantic communication via cables, a new cable system was laid and completed July 27, 1866, finally linking the United States and European nations.
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