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Hills youth wins 6th bowling title

TAMIKA GLENN, the 16-year-old bowling phenom from Farmington Hills, captured her sixth Michigan Junior Masters Association title recently at Royal Scot Lanes in Lansing.

The MJMA is the pinnacle of youth competition. It's the best of the best competing for crowns and scholarship money, too.

The Lansing tournament doled out $2,000 in scholarship funds. For information on the MJMA call Dan Ottman at 689-8696.

• The Snowman has landed.

Lee Snow, top competitive bowler from Farmington Hills, has taken over as general manager at Plum Hollow Lanes in Southfield.

Plum Hollow will benefit from the expertise in all phases of the game that Lee has both knowledge and experience. He is also available by appointment for personal coaching to anyone who wants to improve their game. Lee is one of the best around.

• Super Bowl Lanes in Canton Township is offering its sixth annual St. Patrick's Day Tournament, beginning with check-in at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 14. The event, which begins at 2 p.m., is being held cooperation with Malarkey's Pub.

Teams can be any combination of men, ladies and mixed — or any combination of Irish, Polish, Dutch or German. There will be five players to a team.

First place is worth $1,500 and the event is limited to the first 60 teams. The cost is $25 per bowler.

For more information call Super Bowl at 459-6070.

• Some of the editions of the Observer and Eccentric last week featured a 95-year-old bowler, John Cencer, a resident of Livonia, bowling in two leagues at Woodland Lanes and Merri Bowl.

John still averages 125, still drives his Buick and still makes it to church everyday.

It's a nice story, a tribute to human the spirit and certainly a great testimonial to our sport.

It appeared on the front page of the Suburban Life section in the Livonia, Westland and Garden City editions only.

• Milt Wilcox and Frank Beckman vs. Denny McLain and Eli Zaret. This is the bowling match-up for the Make A Wish fund raiser event slated for Sunday, March 1 at Bowl One Lanes in Troy.

There is no admission charge and all sports fans are welcomed to join the fun.

There will be a 50/50 drawing, door prizes and lots of surprises to benefit this worthy cause. It will run from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

BOWLING HONOR ROLL

Greenacre Lanes (Farmington Hills): Wisam Early Birds — Claude Petrus, 734 (series); Jack Rasabesh, 731 Fred Ramirez, 279 (game) 706, Lynn Edmonds, 267

Men's Tuesday Junior House — Bernie Lowe, 257/700, Tim Cokan, 270 Wayne Lusky, 268, Wayne Greve 257/690

Wednesday Night Merchant Men's — Steve Klein, 279

Country Lanes (Farmington Hills): Greenland Mixed — Steve Mrohowski, 237/670, Ron Blanchard, 245/674, Lou Bruyman, 278/662, Al Harrison, 654, Joe Brady, 234, Thelma Geiger, 209, Bobbie Gooding, 215, Debbie Van Meter, 215

Jewish War Veterans — Michael Gerstein, 252/628, Arnold Weiss, 244 Robert Ivey, 225, Carl Berlin, 217

Senior Wing Dingers — Anthi Katsamaki, 244/207/632, John Green, 221, Bob Detter, 225, Liz Dodd, 209, Dan Young, 502, Jo Rohan, 517

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Wednesday Junior House — Jerry Will, 229/610, Nick Runfa, 235/630, Ron Raymond, 231/618, Gordy Gornett, 236/653

Country Men — Jack Fischer, 253/637, Jim Morris, 254/674, Ken Gervais, 233, Jon Robb, 247/658

St Paul Men's — R Chapman, 232, D Wright, 232

Wednesday Night Ladies — Sue Kirk, 223/595, Peggy Deker, 216/547, Colleen Saad, 212/518, Dawn Czinch, 248/567

Wednesday Junior House — Dave Fehrenbach, 232/632, Jon Detwiler, 238/661, Greg Gaya, 247/629, Dale Moore, 247, Brian Campbell, 299/640

Country Rogers — Ron Blanchard, 257/668, Don Patrick, 236/611, Jim Reynolds, 244/632, Mark Dixon, 252/637, Bill Cochrane 233

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Wonderland Lanes (Livonia): BGR — Gene Vitanovec, 267/727, Joe Wickens, 258/727, Bo Bodansky, 243/639, Rich Sackett, 230/638, George Kotton, 231/633

Night Owls — John Chomes, 277/769, Carl Sieve Larger, 245/644, Andy Kopsky, 235/637, Don Gregory, 235, Rod Franks, 235/629, Dan Parnell, 247, Jerry Mickman, 256, Mark Pentler, 236, Bob Molenkoupf, 236

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Juniors — Brian Goodall, 235/593

Redford Lanes (Redford Township): West Side Lutheran — Al Hunt, 255-236/689, Bette Rechka, 247/639, Don Stark, 633, Mark Krohn, 615, Don Johnson, 236/608 Larry Gauthier, 604

Westland Bowl (Westland) Wednesday Men's — Mike Brown, 236-269-258/783

Plaza Lanes (Plymouth): Western Wayne Youth Traveling Classic — David Rozenbaum, 254/651, Stacy Reich, 220/633, Kevin Trumbull, 224/642, Tim Whitaker, 224/621, Hyemeyer Phelps, 231/606, Tim Zewe, 237, Melissa Lee Stone, 202

Town and Country Lanes (Westland): Men's Wednesday Night Trio — Ed Dobozy, 267/741, Jim Allen, 258/706, Rod Jerome, 255/695, Gary Widmer, 267/691, Bob Jakubski, 256/658, Carl Morris, 270, Rob Morris, 258, Jason Wacek, 256, Bob Wisenauer, 234/637, Ken Chalers, 249, Jerry Allen, 235/676, Jim Jaskolski, 249, Charlie Stasey, 245

Wednesday Night Merchants — Bill Reynolds, 265

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General Motors Hydramatic Men — John Buretta, 300, D Kersey, 300/691, J Hackenbottom, 278/670, P Myers, 269/672, E Rabun, 250/668, L Lawson, 248/675

Cadillac Livonia Men's — Dennis Baike, 275/640, Gene Saunders, 297/625, Ed Murdock, 661

Oak Lanes (Westland): Sunday Classic — Vince Lewnowicz, 278-278/789, Steve Williams, 269

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Tuesday Night Ladies Trio — Lu Ann Woodley, 203, Anne O'Neill, 200, Debbie Tepper, 202, Mike Belchior, 200

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Wednesday Night Pacesetters — Sandie Powell, 220, Joanne Brown, 214, Barb Macy, 237, Donna Porter, 204, Cheryl Cooney, 204, Lori Leya, 200, Sylvia Wodarski 202

Wednesday Night Men's — D Silverman, 257/706, S Gwiazdowski, 234, Jim Stetzer, 298/700, Terry Maul, 245/624, Jeff Wojcik, 238/653, Ron Mull, 225-258-259/742, Jerry Hemman, 231, Carl Dixon, 235

Defense lifts OCC over Hawks

Here's a message to *both* the Oakland Community College and Henry Ford Community College men's basketball teams:

Guys, you'll have to do better to survive.

Wednesday's clash between OCC and Henry Ford gave the Raiders what they desperately needed — a win. Henry Ford scored 23 points in the last 10:35 of the game, but surrendered 32. That's why the Hawks lost, 85-75, at OCC.

Quite apparently, the game meant a lot more to the Raiders. They needed to win to keep their state playoff hopes alive; the victory improved their record to 7-8 in the Eastern Conference.

Henry Ford, by contrast, had clinched the conference title a week earlier with its 14th consecutive win. The loss to OCC was the Hawks' second in a row, and it's coming at an bad time: the playoffs start Monday.

"It comes down to concentration and intensity," said Henry Ford coach Dan Henry, whose team is 19-6 overall and 12-3 in the conference. "We won (the title) with team play and hard defense. Hopefully, we can get it back."

THE HAWKS didn't have it against OCC. They were outrebounded 58-33, including a whopping 30-10 disadvantage in offensive boards.

And yet, OCC missed so many easy putbacks one could only wonder when it would prove costly. The Raiders had a 34-18 edge in rebounding in the first half, yet they trailed 33-30.

Defense, though, carried them in the second half. "We switched things a bit," said OCC coach Lynn Reed of his full-court pressure tactics. "We used four different presses, and they started to misread them."

The Raiders' pressure, which resulted in just six Henry Ford turnovers in the first half, forced 13 in the second — 11 in the final 12 minutes, when OCC turned a 53-52 lead (with 11:10 left) into a commanding 84-68 advantage.

"REBOUNDING IS desire," said Henry. "We didn't have it, they did."

As for the Hawks' playoff chances, he added, "What's going to happen is it's going to be hard to turn it on again."

The lack of concentration was also evident at the free-throw line: OCC was 15 of 21 (71 percent), while Henry Ford — decent at the line this season, converting about 70 percent — was 13 of 25 (52 percent).

The battle of the top guns showed something, too: OCC's Rashe Reviere had 18 points, 17 rebounds and four steals; Henry Ford's Chad Shilliday was held under double figures in scoring for the second straight game, getting eight points and 11 boards.

Dale Craft led OCC with 19 points. Rod Hall had 15 (12 in the second half) and Khari Maxwell netted 10. Pat Osborne scored 22 for Henry Ford, with Heath Myers getting 15 and Larnell Tidwell 10.

OCC, now 12-15 overall, still must win Saturday at Mott CC to insure a spot in the state playoffs.

ON SATURDAY, the Raiders' postseason hopes took a jolt when they were thumped 116-92 at Highland Park Community College.

"They just shot so well," said Reed of the Panthers. "That's the worse beating we've had all year."

It came at an inopportune time. OCC needed to win, and until the final five minutes of the first half that goal was within reach. The Raiders only trailed by five.

But the Panthers closed out the half by padding their advantage to lead 54-41 at the break. OCC never got closer than 11 after that.

Reviere's 32 points paced the Raiders. Troy Coleman and Bill Knight scored 10 apiece; Myron Banks grabbed 11 rebounds.

Darnell Murphy led six Panthers in double figures with 28 points. Murphy connected on seven of nine three-pointers. George Abram was next for Highland Park with 18.

The Panthers made 47 of 83 from the field (57 percent), including 10 of 16 threes (62 percent). OCC was 35 of 84 from the floor (41 percent), which included a dismal three of 19 on threes (15 percent).

Central drops Harrison

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"But still we ran some time off the clock and we got (McFarlane) back in the game. At crunch time he was there."

In fact, it was McFarlane who scored the go-ahead basket with 2:23 to play and converted a three-point play for a 59-56 lead.

Harrison missed a shot and committed a turnover on its next two possessions. After each one, Central's Ron Thompson made a driving layup and sank two free throws, respectively. With the Vikings ahead 63-56, that all but sealed the outcome with 1:25 remaining.

"THAT WAS the panic setting in," Harrison coach Mike Teachman said of late turnovers. "They really stepped up driving the ball to the basket. They chose to milk the clock, and that's what got us back in it. Then they chose to come at us.

"The concept of their game is pressure, pressure, pressure. Your guys have to be able to handle the pressure."

The Hawks made 24 turnovers and Central 20, but most of the Harrison turnovers occurred in the front court, and the Vikings didn't get many transition scores.

But Central's aggressive defense did affect Harrison's post-up game and prevented the Hawks from using their size to power inside to the extent they would have liked.

"Most times we did (handle the pressure)," Teachman said. "But the people who didn't handle it were not the people with the ball but the people who should have been receiving the pass."

If not for 6-4 Andy Fitzpatrick, the Hawks would have had little scoring from the post. Fitzpatrick had a game-high 20 points, center Paul Gilvydis 15, Duante Anderson nine, and Justin Romans seven. Gilvydis was 7-of-7 shooting free throws but was held to three field goals.

THOMPSON HAD 18 points to lead Central, which had nine players score. Eric Leaf finished with 16, Christian Emert nine, Mike Gluski and McFarlane seven each. Leaf made all 10 of his free throws and Thompson seven of eight.

Harrison didn't have forward Mike Pesci, who injured his right wrist when he ran into a wall during a game Friday.

"It hurt because he tends to be the leader on the floor, and he might have been in the right spot to get that pass in the high post," Teachman said.

But the Hawks got back the 6-2 Anderson, who missed the last game because of illness; however, Central overcame its height disadvantage with its hurry-up style. Leaf had 12 points in the first half to help the Vikings take a 35-28 lead.

"We have to play that tempo," Emert said. "We have some nice 6-2 kids, but we couldn't afford to play a half-court game against their size. We have to make it a long-court game."

Harrison has lost two straight, but Teachman is optimistic the Hawks can make a run in the WLAA tournament.

"With everybody healthy, we can and everybody seems to be healthy now," he said. "The team has been the way I want it — everybody healthy, everybody playing and everybody in the right spots — only once and that was for John Glenn."

Chiefs outright champs

Plymouth Canton proved its best offense was its defense Tuesday, with a 48-31 win over visiting North Farmington in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The win clinched the regular-season title for the Chiefs, who are 13-3 overall and 10-0 in league play. Canton will be the No. 1 seed in the post-season playoffs, which begin Friday, Feb. 28.

"I think our size and experience wore them down," Canton coach Dave Van Wagoner said. "It was a game dominated by defense."

The Chiefs broke the game open by outscoring the Raiders 13-0 in the second quarter and leading 21-6 at halftime.

"We switched to a two-three zone defense in the second quarter, and our size just took over the game," Van Wagoner said. "We blocked a lot of their shots and kept them off the glass."

Six-foot-7 Mike Brennan and 6-7 Tony Cosbatt combined for 14 blocked shots for the Chiefs. Hal Heard paced the Canton scoring attack with 15 points. Mike Stafford added seven points.

The Raiders, 6-10 and 4-6, were led by Jon Sturtz, who had 15 points.

NORTHVILLE 87, FARMINGTON 53: The Mustangs, 8-7 overall and 5-5 in the WLAA, kept their post-season league playoff hopes alive with their rout of the visiting Falcons Tuesday.

"I felt like we were power in this game," Falcons coach Dennis Mikel said. "We didn't shoot the ball well, plus we didn't play well defensively."

Regina sidelines Mercy

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"What hurt us tonight was our service reception," Farmington coach Julie Ingalls said. "They served hard at us and that prevented us from running our offense.

"We also missed a lot of serves (nine) into the net, which is uncommon for us."

The Falcons, 12-12 overall and 5-4 in the WLAA, received a strong match from Jenny Sever, who scored eight points on her 11 serve attempts. Debbie Schroeder and Rebekah King also played well, according to Ingalls.

"Central is a good team and we played better against them this year than we did last year, but our poor service reception was the problem," Ingalls said. "When we made a good pass, Rebekah and Debbie hit the ball well."

IN THE CATHOLIC League playoffs at Dearborn Divine Child, Farmington Hills Mercy was upset by Harper Woods Regina in the second round Monday — 15-17, 12-15.

The Marlins defeated Royal Oak Shrine (15-4, 15-2) and Regina eliminated the host Falcons (15-8, 16-14) in the first round. Mercy drops to 27-8 overall.

In another WLAA match Monday, Farmington Hills Harrison was swept by visiting Livonia Stevenson, 15-5, 15-5, 15-8. The Hawks are 3-6 in the league and 13-13-6 overall.

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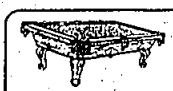

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