

# Bowler named to hall of fame



AL HARRISON

Congratulations go to Cheryl Stipak of Redford on her selection to the Michigan Women's Bowling Hall of Fame.

Cheryl has been one of the real competitive bowlers in the All-Stars and has averaged as

high as 218. She also has many titles to her credit, including the Michigan State Association Queens Tournament.

Cheryl is the daughter of Bob and Gloria Mertz and wife of All-Star bowler Tony Stipak. She is sidelined while a bad wrist heals, but she will be back in time for next season.

Some of the more talented area bowlers have been able to cash in on some big money tournaments.

Kerry Krefl of Hazel Park is a good example. He took home a \$50,000 payoff for finishing second in the High Rollers at the Showboat Hotel, Lanes and Casino in Las Vegas.

The High Rollers is an all-match play format in which the starting field of more than 1,900 bowlers from around the nation have to keep beating their opponents until the survivors are able to home the major prizes. It takes 11 straight wins to finish first.

Kerry took 10 straight, which put him in the finals. With the other jackpots along the way, his total take was \$74,000.

"It takes a lot of luck in the draw; some opponents are easier to beat than others," he said.

He also credits his equipment with a large part of his success — an AMF Night Hawk Torque and the Night Hawk Menace.

Krefl is one of the many fine bowlers who compete in the Tuesday Night Pepsi All-Stars at Thunderbowl Lanes.

Many local tournaments offer the opportunity to win

money without having the big travel expenses such as the upcoming Bacardi, Brunswick and Blue Ribbon Group 217-and-under monthly event, which will take place Saturday, Feb. 19, at Cherry Hill Lanes.

First and second place are guaranteed at \$1,000 and \$500, with remaining payouts determined by number of entries. Prize fees are 100 percent returned; half the entrants will cash a check.

For further information, call (313) 278-0400.

The final results have been tabulated from the Senior-Youth Challenge last week at Mayflower Lanes in Redford.

This time the seniors did it, beating the youth bowlers for the first time in five attempts. The seniors averaged 201.7 to the kids' 200.2 (including 90 percent handicap from 210).

Top scores in senior singles included Howard Davis 215-223-278/716 (plus-27), 743; yours truly (Al Harrison) second with 222-227-170/659 (plus-31), 740; and Bob Slayden third with 237-226-204/687 (plus-36), 702.

Venerable Jarv Woelke (age 86) came in fourth with 203-213-202 (plus-54), 692.

Youth scholarship winners were: doubles — Marland Gibson (\$500) with partner Cliff Taylor, 1,392; David Irwin (\$350) with Lou Lavignino, 1,348; James Hojak (\$250) with Norm Bochenik, 1,338; singles (handicap included) — Jesse Hojak (\$500), 710; Tim Storer (\$400), 703; Nick Hidalgo (\$300), 700; Anthony Jenkins (\$250), 688; Anthony Padula (\$250), 687; and Latasha Green (\$250), 687.

A total of \$3,050 in scholarship money was awarded.

The money is to be kept in the Frank Verbanec Memorial Scholarship Fund, which is held by the American Bowling Congress.

Additional door prize contributors were The Pro Shoppe at Drakeshire Lanes, Big Block Pizza, Kelly Koin, Napoli Pizza, Comerica Bank and Linda's Family Hair Shop.

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# Tax money helps peregrine falcons



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People who have contributed part of their Michigan Income Tax refund to the Non-game Wildlife Fund should be pleased with how that money is being spent.

Several studies of non-game animals have been conducted, like surveys of the Karner's blue butterfly, wolf investigations, frog surveys, Kirland's warbler surveys and more.

Non-game animals, animals that are not hunted, had little money allocated for research toward an understanding of their biology. The Non-game Fund provides money to help with this research.

One of the longer lasting studies supported by this fund is the reintroduction of the peregrine falcon in downtown Detroit.

Back in the late 1960s and early '70s, DDT, an insecticide, was used extensively. As DDT accumulated, animals were preyed upon by falcons, osprey and eagles.

It accumulated in high enough concentrations in these birds of prey, that they laid thin shelled eggs. When adults sat on the eggs, the thin shells cracked — killing the embryo inside.

Over the years the population of these birds declined dramatically. Peregrine falcons were extirpated from the eastern U.S. But back in 1987, five young peregrine falcons started the introduction program here in Detroit.

While in their cage they became imprinted with a high-rise skyline, which frequently causes them to nest in a similar area after they mature. This same process was ongoing in several eastern, mid-western, and eastern Canada cities.

In 1988, an adult peregrine falcon came to Detroit from Grand Rapids.

In subsequent years adults from Montreal, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Gary, Ind. came to Detroit to visit or mate and raise a family. Young birds raised in Detroit have been seen in Cleveland and Akron, Ohio.

Since the early years of the introduction program, Judy Yerkey has been diligently documenting the activities of Detroit's peregrine falcons. She knows every bird by name, where they came from, who their parents were, who they mated with, their behavioral idiosyncrasies and how many young they raised.

Though the years Yerkey has observed situations of nesting and mate choice that would not have been predicted by the experts. But then there has never been such a population of identifiable birds.

Only a couple peregrines have come to Detroit that did not have legs banded, which allow identification. These must have been birds raised in the wild.

When listening to Yerkey speak about the lives of the peregrines nesting in Detroit, and more recently at the Edison power plant in Monroe, it's like a summary of the last year of TV soap operas.

She has collected data that has made the Detroit population of peregrines the best studied group in the nation. Yet listening to her discuss their activities like a soap opera makes it easy to understand the life of these birds.

Yerkey receives some money from the Non-Game Fund for equipment and other essentials.

It would be well worth the money if every species studied had a Judy Yerkey to watch over them and let the world know how interesting they can be.

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