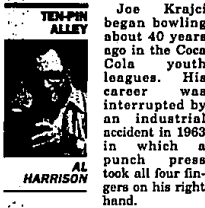


Bowler's feat an inspiration, example of perseverance



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There was a long period of rehabilitation and adjustment before Joe even thought of trying to bowl again. At first he tried going left-handed, but that didn't work at all, so he began experimenting with different ways in which he could grip the ball.

It took about five years to get a reasonably good grip, using his thumb and the stub of his pinkie finger to hold onto the ball. Tom Reich, owner of the Strike Force Pro Shop at Oak Lanes got involved with him, and with his help in coaching and trial and error of different equipment and grips, Joe was able to get back to a very effective delivery, especially with the new type of balls available. It is not really necessary to crank up the shot as a good rolling ball can be very effective.

So effective, in fact, that Joe was able to get his average up to the 190-200 range. To top it off, he recently bowled his first 300 game. It took place Dec. 8 last year at Westland Bowl in the Twin Parish League. They always say, "Give it more fingers." Joe Krajiac sends this message to everyone, "Never give up. Keep at it until you succeed." Joe ranks right up there with many other heroes who have overcome bad breaks or disabilities to make a comeback.

Bowling for charity

Ken Bshara and Wonderland Lanes in Livonia will host the third annual John F. Aho Cosmic Bowling for the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan on Friday, Feb. 16. One hundred bowlers have participated each year and have raised over \$3,000 for CLF.

Ken has been generous enough to donate the use of Wonderland Lanes for this worthy cause. To raise money for the event, they are looking for lane sponsors. All donations are tax deductible. Although the bowling squads are filled this time, anyone is wel-

WRESTLING

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 67
FARMINGTON 12
Feb. 3 at Westland John Glenn
103 pounds: Nick Haber (JG) won by void;
132: Chris Smith (JG) won by void; 138: Keansee Mandisa (JG) dec. Jon Schwartz, 10-2; 126: Shawn Parker (JG) dec. Robert Esterday, 8-2; 130: Phil Perry (JG) pinned Mike McKevey, 1:55; 138: Enrique Garcia (JG) won by void; 140: Danon Cruchshank (JG) dec. Mike Kish, 0-5; 148: Brad Gregory (JG) won technical fall over Cam Murtland, 10-1; 152: Eric Chambers (JG) pin. Charlie Raymond, 1:05; 180: Mike Murtland (JG) pin. Nick Wroblewski, 3:13; 172: Jack Seres (JG) dec. Brett Brown, 4-2 in OT; 188: Tonia Schombit (JG) dec. Steve Wars, 11:10; 235: Blake Belsky (F) pin. Steve Parry, 2:00; 218: Herbert Reedus (JG) pin. Delano Turner, 2:40.
Dual-meet records: Farmington, 3-4 WAAA Lanes Division, 4-11 overall; Glen, 0-2 Lakeside.
Coach's comments: "We had some matches we were real close to winning." Farmington coach Al Sawyer said, "We're to the point now we need to start winning those close matches." "Turn that corner and make those close matches victories for us."
"Other than that, we're still fighting well. There weren't many pins. We had a lot of hardfought matches."
"But somewhere along the way we have to take the next step, move to the next level and start winning those close matches."

CATHOLIC CENTRAL 35
ROCHESTER ADAMS 23
Feb. 3 at Redford CC
103: Matt Kozlars (CC) dec. Wayne Jacob, 9-2; 132: Shane Randall (CC) won by void; 126: Omar Youseff (RA) dec. Tim Kuhn, 12-11 OT; 128: Tom Barkham (RA) pin. Chris O'Hara, 1:54; 130: Tom Buddendorf (CC) dec. Samir Shih, 14-11; 138: Mike Warner (CC) dec. Dave Santoro, 0-5; 148: Craig Fraser (RA) dec. Chris Peterson, 3-0; 148: Jay Abshire (CC) dec. Nick Burton, 14-2; 152: Chris Gracchiolo (CC) pin. Michael Chamberlin, 1:58; 160: Drew Michelotte (RA) pin. Jason Hilliker, 2:55; 172: Ryan Rogowski (CC) pin. Dave Boyd, 3:34; 188: J.P. Foley (CC) dec. Lance McQueen, 12-10; 218: Joel Miller (RA) dec. Matt Markowicz, 0-5; 278: Art Farley (RA) dec. Pat Clark, 11-4. CO dual-meet records: 11-0 overall.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 75
FARMINGTON HARRISON 12
Feb. 3 at Churchill
103 pounds: Danny Clement (LC) won by void; 126: Gant Abdullal (LC) pinned Matt Mikowski, 4:20; 138: Brian Clement (LC) won by void; 128: Nick Oymowicki (LC) won by void; 130: Steve Lathard (LC) won by technical fall over Rob Thomas, 17-1; 138: Nick Smith (LC) won by void; 140: Chris Yvett (F) p. Don Gaffa, 2:05; 148: Lee McManis (LC) p. Jeff Theisen, 1:51; 152: Tom (Tomb) LC won by void; 180: Brian Jones (LC) won by void; 172 (technical): Robert Freeman (LC) p. Andrew Moulting, 4:25; 188: Alex Murray (LC) won by void; 218: Thom Vanderpooche (LC) p. Brian Doughy, 1:10; 278: Peter Smith (LC) won by void.
Dual meet records: Churchill, 0-5 overall, 3-2 WAAA-Western Division; Harrison, 0-5 WAAA-Western Division.

come to come in and add their support with a few dollars more. Call Catherine Lenover at (734) 416-0181 or George Aho at (313) 681-7878 for details.

Entertainment books

Does your bowling league (or team) need money? Bowlers are inherently creative and have discovered many ingenious ways to bring in dollars, whether to fund a banquet, add more prizes to the list, or whatever. The idea of selling entertainment books is

not new, but it has been successful over the years. Any organization can do it, just call EPI Detroit sales office in Troy and ask Sally Patrick about it. The books are consigned out without any cash outlay, therefore whatever the books bring in is all gravy for the league.

The best news is that the entertainment books have changed. They cost less than last year yet offer more, including purchases on the Internet. The books have traditionally offered

a lot of two for the price of one dinners and discounts on hotels, car rentals, bowling and other forms of recreation and entertainment. For more details, call Sally Patrick at (248) 637-8444.

Hamtramck Classic

The latest update on the Hamtramck Singles Classic shows Joe Kassab of Garden City dropping a notch in singles from first to second as Douglas Lobb of Wayne took over first with 994 actual plus 62 handicap for a

total of 1,046, just ahead of Kassab's 1,038. Daniel Taylor of Livonia has moved into third with 888 +166 which gives him 1,024. Tim Detherage of Westland has taken over the second place spot in scratch singles with 1,000, just behind Kassab, who still hold first in the event at 1,030. Dan Taylor and William Stillwell also of Livonia have moved into second place in doubles. For information or entry forms, call Joann Taylor or Cindy Loersch at (248) 546-0070.

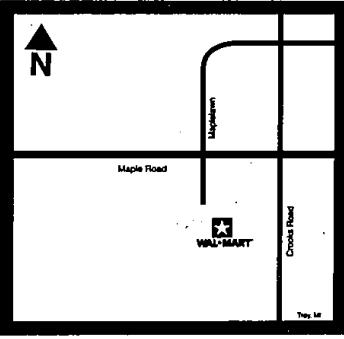
Take that, Jack

Jack Dahlstrom and Ernie Segura Sr. were on opposing teams this past Wednesday at Mayflower Lanes Senior Men's Classic. Whenever the two had faced one another, Jack always seemed to beat Ernie, and he told him after winning the first two that the only way to beat him was to shoot a 300 game. Ernie did just that, a perfect in the third game and it taught Jack a lesson, to keep his mouth shut.

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