

Mohacsi a winner all the way around; Lutheran tourney on tap

Livonia's Mary Mohacsi has done it again.

The 69-year-old has added more laurels to her long list of bowling achievements by winning the inaugural event of the Michigan Senior Queens Tournament last weekend at Classic Lanes in Rochester.

Mohacsi is well-known locally for her pro

TEN-PIN ALLY



AL HARRISON

shops at Merril Bowl and Bonanza Lanes which she and son Mark have operated for years. Her outstanding record includes induction to four different halls of fame — Women's International Bowling Congress, Michigan Bowling, Michigan Sports and Greater Detroit Bowling Association.

She also has captured several gold medals in international competition.

The Michigan Senior Queens was a new event this year open to women bowlers at least 50 years of age.

On Saturday, there was an

eight-game block of qualifying, followed by another 10 games of eliminations, then four more games to decide the top five bowlers for the stepladder format finals on Sunday.

Mohacsi emerged as the top seed, meeting Dora Nettleson of Eaton Rapids in the final game. Mohacsi emerged the inaugural winner, 201-191.

"In case you're wondering, the Professional Bowlers Association televised event didn't just disappear last Tuesday."

It is my understanding that it has been changed to Sundays on ESPN2. Check your TV guide for

the time.

*The 73rd annual Detroit Lutheran Tournament has been announced and entry forms are now available.

The dates are Saturday, Feb. 2, 9 and 16; and Sunday, Feb. 3, 10 and 17, at Cloverlanes in Livonia.

All participants must be members of a Lutheran Church (any synod). Non-Lutherans must bowl in a Lutheran league. Entries close Jan. 19.

For more information or entry forms, write to: Jerry DeRuiter, Secretary, 21525 Centennial, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081; or call (588) 771-7004 or (313) 256-5833.

*The 71st annual Old-Timers Tournament is just around the corner. It will be Saturday, Nov. 24. Squad action will be at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. with the banquet starting at 3:30 p.m.

This event is the one that the late, great Joe Norris considered to be "The best tournament of its kind in the nation."

Bowlers use the scratch system amongst themselves in the following age brackets: under-60, 60-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-and-over.

This year's event is dedicated to John Meyka, and as usual, there will be free gifts to all bowlers.

Entry forms are available at bowling centers around town, get yours in early.

Bowling only is \$8 per person. Cost for bowling and banquet is \$18 per person. See you there.

New meaning for 'Fly Away Home'

Shelter, it's one of the three basic necessities of life.

People plan, sacrifice and pay for shelter of all kinds. We have become very good at building shelters that are nice and cozy.

Is it any wonder that some of the wild creatures that share our subdivisions seek to share in our comfort?

Fall is the time of year when animals are preparing for the cold winter season ahead, and shelter is high on their priority list — if they have a list.

Animals of several kinds are investigating homes and businesses for their winter quarters. One prominent species these days is the Asian lady-bird beetle.

Many home owners see them on the sides of their house or car. This is just before they are seen inside the home or car.

There are plenty of species of lady bird beetles.

Hollows of trees, spaces between rocks and in between walls of our homes are all suitable places to spend the winter. Since there are more homes in places than rock piles and trees, these beetles will hide where

they will not likely be seen until they emerge in spring.

Bats are also known to spend the winter in attics and hollow trees. Both are dark, isolated, somewhat insulated and dry.

Dry and insulated are two qualities we desire; dark and isolated are more peculiar to bats.

But even lady bird beetles require features for their winter resting places that are similar to those of mammals.

Our homes with all their nooks and crannies are perfect places for spiders.

Arachnologists estimate that the average home has 1,000 spiders in it. Does that mean there must be food for all those spiders? If so, then there are even more animals using our homes and businesses as their shelter.

Animals seeking to survive take the easiest and least energy consuming avenue to creating a shelter.

If they can steal one that is suitable, they will do so, provided the threat of being killed or injured in the takeover does not overcome the value of the shelter.

So when they find an access point in our castle walls, they will exploit it. This is unfortunately the time when we cannot tolerate their presence.

Red squirrels and mice do not know that removing insulation from 120 volt electrical lines can cause fires. They don't realize

that gnawing holes through joists and rafters is not acceptable.

Their access points can also become access points for various other animals that may seek residence for the same reasons. Hornets and wasps in summer may find an attic a perfect location for a nest.

It's difficult to seal all access points for creatures as small as an ant or spider, or even three-quarters of an inch openings that a bat needs to gain entry, so some tolerance is needed.

But larger animals like squirrels and raccoons cannot be tolerated because of the damage they can cause.

Replacing wood softened by water damage will help reduce the chance of animals entering your shelter.

Sealing small openings with caulk or trim will limit the number of tiny critters using your home. Barricading access points with screening can prevent animals from entering chimneys or vents.

Prevention is worth a lot of repair work when it comes to animals seeking the same amenities that we enjoy in our shelter.

(Livonia resident Tim Nowicki is a naturalist with Independence Oaks Park north of Clarkson in Oakland County. He can be reached at (248) 625-6473.)



Sunday, December 2nd, 2001
Pierce Elementary School
Birmingham, MI
Race Time: 9:00 a.m.

Registration Form

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____ E-mail: _____
☐ Male ☐ Female Age on day of event: _____
T-shirt size: ☐ Medium ☐ Large ☐ Extra Large

Please complete all information and enclose with your Jingle Bell Run non-refundable fee.

Registration: \$20.00 (includes long sleeved T-shirt)
After 11/21 through race time: \$25.00 (includes long sleeved T-shirt)
Snowman Shuffle (begins at 8:30 a.m.): \$2.00 (does not include shirt)

Please make checks payable to Arthritis Foundation and mail to:
Arthritis Foundation, Jingle Bell Run
17117 W. Nine Mile Rd., Ste. 950
Southfield, MI 48075-4508

Or, if using Visa or MasterCard, fax registration form to: (248) 424-8005

Name as it appears on the card: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Visa/MC #: _____ Signature: _____

Enclosed is my registration fee in the amount of: \$ _____

I hereby certify the following: (1) I am physically fit and have received medical clearance to participate in Jingle Bell Run. (2) In consideration of my application to participate in the Jingle Bell Run being accepted, I, on behalf of myself, my heirs and assigns, and my estate, hereby make and forever dedicate the Arthritis Foundation, the City of Birmingham, all sponsors, organizers and affiliates, as well as agents and employees from any cause that may accrue as the result of my participation. Participant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Signature if participant is under the age of 18: _____

ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION
Take Control. We Can Help.™

My
Today's Hits & Yesterday's Favorites

Observer & Eccentric
It's all about you!

PISTONS
GOIN' TO WORK EVERY NIGHT.

RED, WHITE & BLUE IS BACK!

RETURN THE TEAL FOR A REAL DEAL

Turn in your old teal or maroon Pistons merchandise at The Palace Box Office and purchase upper arena tickets for only \$8 for Portland or Dallas. Also receive a 20% discount coupon to purchase new Pistons merchandise. Teal apparel will be donated to the Salvation Army. Don't have old merchandise? No Problem! Come to The Palace wearing your new Pistons gear or paint your face red, white and blue and receive the same \$5 ticket offer.

Tickets subject to availability.

Tonight Sunday, November 11 8:00 PM	VS. PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS Seattle Phippen and Raheem Wallace visit The Palace. Britzzy 4 U Night - the first 5,000 fans will receive a special Britzzy Spears poster.	Britzzy Sports
Thu, November 15 7:30 PM	VS. DALLAS MAVERICKS Dirk Nowitzki, Michael Finley and Juwan Howard. First 5,000 fans receive a Jerry Stackhouse Lapel Pin giveaway sponsored by Applebee's.	Applebee's
Sat, November 17 7:30 PM	VS. INDIANA PACERS Reggie Miller, Jalen Rose and Coach Isiah Thomas! Photo Saturday sponsored by Kmart. First 10,000 fans receive a Pistons Schedule Magnet giveaway sponsored by Fox Sports Net.	FOX Sports Net
Sat, November 24 7:30 PM	VS. MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES Shane Battier and Jason Williams visit The Palace. Photo Saturday sponsored by Kmart. First 5,000 fans receive a Chucky Atkins Sports Bottle giveaway sponsored by Sprite.	Sprite
Wed, November 28 7:30 PM	VS. CHARLOTTE HORNETS Jamal Mashburn and Baron Davis take on the Pistons.	
PHOTO SATURDAYS	At 8:00 have your photo taken with a Pistons player on the Pistons court prior to these Saturday games at The Palace. (Bring your own camera - No video cameras please).	

THE BIG GAME PLAN
BEST TEAMS, BEST SEATS, BEST PRICES.
STARTING AT JUST \$99

TICKETS GO ON SALE TUESDAY, NOV. 13 @ 10 AM FOR THE 37TH ANNUAL

COLLEGE HOCKEY
AT "THE JOE"

GLI

FAMILY PACK
4 TICKETS & LITTLE CAESARS
PIZZA SLICES & COKE
ONLY \$39
CALL 313-396-7215

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

North Dakota vs. Michigan @ 4:00 PM
Michigan State vs. Michigan Tech @ 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

Third Place Game @ 4:00 PM
Championship Game @ 7:30 PM

Tickets are \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, \$5 and are available at the Joe Louis Arena box office, at 10000 Little Caesars Way, including Hockeytown Authentics in Troy (with no service charge), by logging on to www.collegehockeyatthejoe.com, or charge by phone.

248-645-6666

Great group rates are available by calling 313-396-7811

HOCKEYTOWN and
cafe

99.5

Super Singles Party

Includes:

- Single ticket to the Wings game plus awesome pre-party at the Hockeytown Café
- Pre-game buffet
- FREE shuttle to the Joe
- Special location at Joe Louis Arena to meet up with friends at intermission.

For tickets and information, call

313-965-2222 and ask for "Super Singles Party."

Enter to win Detroit Red Wings Tickets

Check Today's Classifieds Section to See How You Can Enter to Win!

Observer & Eccentric

It's all about you!