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won twice (1959, 1961) before turning pro, and Palmer captured his only Amateur championship in 1954 at the Country Club of Detroit - the last time the U.S. Men's Amateur tournament was played in the Detroit area.

Of all golf's stars, it is Woods who arguably has brought the most recognition to the U.S. Amateur by winning three consecutive titles from 1994-96. He is not only the first person to have won three straight championships, but also, at 18 years of age in 1994, the youngest winner in tournament history. In 1996, he set yet another record by registering 18 consecutive match-play victories.

The defending champion is Florida native Bubba Dickerson, who won last year's title 1-up on the 36th hole at East Lake Golf Club in Atlanta. Dickerson rallied from a 6-down deficit to earn the title.

The USGA is expecting more than 7,000 golfers to apply for the chance to dethrone Dickerson at Oakland Hills.

"Amateur golf is played at all levels because 99 percent of the people who play in this country are amateurs," said McBride. "They don't play for money. The skill level that these people play at, you have to have a handicap index of 2.4, which equates to a 3 handicap at Oakland Hills just to get into qualify."

Amateur's unique set-up

The U.S. Amateur is a uniquely contested tournament. In fact, it is so different Oakland Hills needs to utilize both its championship courses.

The more well known South Course - commonly referred to as "The Monster" - has hosted all the major championships, including six U.S. Opens, two PGA championships, two U.S. Senior Opens, the U.S. Women's

Amateur, the Western Open and the Carling World Open.

On the other side of Maple Road, the unheralded North Course will not play as long, but will be just as challenging. The North Course was home to the 1992 Michigan Amateur Championship won by Randy Lewis.

Both courses will play par-70 with a combined total of more than 13,000 yards.

The starting field of 312 golfers will labor through 32 holes of stroke play the first two days of competition - 18 holes on each course. The top 64 golfers then will be paired off in what is termed match play - a one-on-one competition with the majority-hole winner advancing to the next round. Match play continues through Sunday when the final two remaining golfers are paired for a grueling 36-hole competition.

The survivor will be crowned the 102nd U.S. Amateur Champion and awarded the Havemeyer Cup.

"It's certainly different than anything we've ever hosted," said McBride. "The typical championship we've had here - the last four anyway - were USGA events."

"You start out with 166 players and primarily practice Monday through Wednesday and they play Thursday through Sunday. They make cuts and have blenders (for spectators), that type of thing."

"In the Amateur, it's basically a seven-day competition and two days of practice," he said. "So it's really a nine-day championship versus seven for the other majors."

Spectator friendly

McBride expects the Amateur to attract 30-35,000 spectators for the entire competition. That figure is roughly a one-day attendance total for what a U.S.

U.S. AMATEUR GOLF TOURNEY

2002 U.S. AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

WHEN: Aug. 19-25
WHERE: Oakland Hills Country Club (3951 W. Maple Road in Bloomfield Hills)

FIELD: 312 competitors from 99 sectional qualifying sites across the United States.

FORMAT: The field will be reduced to the top 64 players after 36 holes of stroke play on both the South and North courses. The tournament then switches to match-play format on the South Course Wednesday through Sunday. Semifinal matches will be played Saturday and the championship match (36 holes) is slated for Sunday.

TELEVISION COVERAGE: Aug. 21-23 on ESPN; Aug. 24 on NBC from 2-4 p.m.; Aug. 25 on NBC from 4-6 p.m.

TICKETS: Daily, \$15; All-week package (seven tickets, good any day), \$60.

TICKET INFORMATION: Call (877) 337-2002.

GENERAL PARKING: Brother Rice and Marion high schools, and St. Regis schools off Lahser Road, south of Maple Road.

INTERESTING FACTS

■ Participants must have a handicap index of 2.4 or less and

this must be certified by a club professional or a governing golf association. There is no maximum or minimum age requirement, but there is a \$100 application fee.

■ The first qualifying date is July 22 in Bozeman, Montana. The last qualifying date is Aug. 6 in Richardson, Texas.

■ Michigan has five qualifying sites, including The Harb at Partridge Creek in Clinton Township (July 24); Country Club of Boyne-Heather Course in Harbor Springs (July 26); Medalist Golf Club in Marshall (July 29); Northville Hills in Northville (July 29); Waukegon Players Club in West Olive (Aug. 5).

■ Exempt players. There is a possibility of 40 players who are exempt from qualifying. These include past Amateur Champions, Quarterfinalists from 2001, U.S. Team members from the 2001 Walker Cup Teams from the United States, Great Britain and Ireland, and the 2000 U.S. World Amateur Team. Others are exempt from various USGA Championships where they qualify and play as an amateur.

■ The USGA expects to receive over 7,000 applicants to qualify for the final field of 312.

■ Trophy name: The Havemeyer Cup is awarded to the U.S. Amateur Champion.

Open or PGA event would attract.

However, spectators at the Amateur will be given a unique treat. The course - except for tee and green areas - will not be taped off like professional events. That means spectators will have fairway access at all points of each course.

"The public can walk down the fairway, right behind or next to

the player on both courses the first two days," said McBride. "If anybody wants to get a feel for Oakland Hills and has never been here before, this is their opportunity."

"The public is going to see some very exciting golf here, and you're going to see the players of the future," he said. "We fully believe in that."

Tigers to honor senior bowlers on outing at Comerica



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If you are planning to attend Senior Day Tuesday at Comerica Park this Tuesday, there will be pre-game recognition of area seniors who are committed to physical fitness and staying active.

Some of our more noteworthy senior bowlers names have been submitted to the Detroit Tigers, and if you want to take advantage of the special seat discounts (ages 60 and over), it will be more interesting to come on down see some of our fellow bowlers honored at this special occasion.

It is a day game vs. the Boston Red Sox with a starting time of 2:05 p.m.

For more information and ticket prices call: 313-471-BALL.

• The highly successful Michigan Junior Masters Association (MJMA) has just completed its 16th year of youth bowling competition in which they travel to various bowling centers in Michigan.

The brainchild of Dan Ottman of Troy, this series has drawn the top youth bowlers from the entire mitten in addition to some who come in from New York, Ohio, Wisconsin and other nearby states.

What is the big drawing card? Scholarship money.

And plenty of it has been awarded over the years. Jen Patrick of North Canton, Ohio, and Chris Damon of Port Huron were the big winners in the championship tournament held at Monroe Sport Center in Monroe.

Patrick captured her 13th title and fifth this season by defeating Lindsay Baker (Amherst, N.Y.), 203-156, to pick up the \$1,000 scholarship award that

goes with it. On the boys side, Damon garnered his third title in a tight match against Jason Rosinski of Lansing. He took home a \$2,600 scholarship award.

Over \$16,000 in scholarship monies were awarded during the season's finale.

Over \$30,000 in scholarships were awarded this season bringing the all-time total to \$345,000.

There were twelve 300 games in this years events led by Pat Barter of Westland at Novi Bowl.

Ryan Wilson of Garden city, owner of Pro-Am Bowling and Trophy Sales in Livonia, contributed \$400 in scholarship money for the Bowler of the Year Award, which went to Lindsay Baker and Chris Damon.

The MJMA begins its 17th season Friday-Saturday, Aug. 9-10, at Lodge Lanes in Belleville.

For more information, call Ottman at (248) 889-8696 or check out their website at michiganmajesters.com.

• Bowling Magazine has recently named its selection of the 20 greatest men's bowlers of all time.

The list includes: Dick Weber of St. Louis; Earl Anthony, Cornelius, Ore.; Don Carter, Miami, Fla.; Walter Ray Williams Jr., Orlando, Fla.; Mark Roth, Wall Township, N.J.; Mike Aulby, Indianapolis, Ind.; Hank Marino, Milwaukee, Wis.; Don Johnson, Las Vegas, Nev.; Ned Day, Milwaukee, Wis.; Joe Norris, Detroit and San Diego, Calif.;

Pete Weber, St. Louis, Mo.; Andy Varipapa, Hempstead, N.Y.; Billy Hardwick, Memphis, Tenn.; Junie McMahon, River Edge, N.J.; Marshall Holman, Medford, Ore.; Nelson Burton Jr., St. Louis, Mo.; Bill Lillard, Houston, Tex.; Carmen Salvino, Chicago, Ill.; Harry Smith, Akron, Ohio; and Dick Ritter, River Falls, Wis.

Fundamentals baseball camp scheduled for July 22-25

Former University of Michigan shortstop Brian Kalezynski will conduct the "Keeping the Fun in Fundamentals" baseball sports July 22-25 at Founders Sports Park in Farmington Hills.

The camp is for ages 8 to 14. Session I is for ages 8-11 from 9-11 a.m. Session II is for ages 12-14 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The cost is \$125.

To register call Kalezynski at (734) 834-0021. Kalezynski, who was raised in Farmington and attended Brother Rice High School, has been an assistant coach at the University of Illinois and the U-M. He also has coached summer collegiate baseball in New England.

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PUBLICATION NOTICE TO CREDITORS DECEDENT'S TRUST ESTATE

Decedent: Jean Kerr Ketchum, Social Security No. 372-14-9107

TO ALL CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Jean Kerr Ketchum, who lived at 8031 Hensley Road, Waterford, Michigan, died January 6, 2002. There is no probate estate.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the Jean Kerr Ketchum Trust Agreement dated October 17, 1995, as amended will be forever barred unless presented to: Comerica Bank, Attn: Shana Curran, P. O. Box 15000, Detroit, MI 48216-3316, the named Successor Trustee within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Attorney: Robert R. Ketchum, Bar No. 119324, 150 W. Jefferson, Suite 2500, Detroit, MI 48226-4418, Phone Number: 313-496-7416.

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