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FROM THE PRESIDENT: Jim Donahue

This happens to be the most hectic time of the season for our association. At the present time we are giving Junior Golf lessons, preparing for the All-City Medal Play tournament and the Women's Match Play, and putting out this News Letter. To say that we are busy does not adequately describe the time and effort put forth by those involved.

The growth of this association and the golf related areas in which we are involved has been dramatic. We have more than 150 juniors participating in the Junior Golf program. Our membership has gone beyond last year's level. And we have what appears to be a new record entry in the All-City Medal Play. Our people are moving in many directions and are moving quickly.

With this in mind, I would like to thank all of those who have donated the clubs, balls, and of course most importantly their time, for helping make all of the above areas a success.

HOOPER-HOEVEL, JOHNSON-KINNISON

SHARE GLAGA DOG FIGHT TITLE

Dennis Hooper and Morrie Hoewel split first place with Fred Johnson and Bryce Kinnison at the first GLAGA Dog Fight. Each team combined to shoot 69 over the tough to putt Chisholm Hills course. Both teams edged Jim McCune and Jerry Stasch by a stroke. 36 golfers teed off early on May 3rd in nippy but clear weather. Two person teams were then drawn from a group of A players and a group of B players. Thus golfers did not know their team score or who their partners were until play was completed. Drinks and snacks were provided as players got to know each other waiting for all to finish. Longest drive went to Wilkie Hopkins, closest to the pin to Scott Seling, and longest putt to Jerry Stasch.

Other scores in the money:

71--Paul Nieratko, John Withers  
Joan May, Morrie Hoewel  
Scott Hoggson, Wilkie Hopkins

75--Robert W. House, Scott Seling

78--Gary Parker, Brian Nowosacki

The First five places were paid along with tenth and fifteenth. Ties were broken by card cut. Our thanks to host Don Clark.



## FIRST TIME PARTNERS

### WIN PORTLAND

The next time two golfers are without partners for a best ball the golf community should do what it can to prevent them from joining forces. This admonition comes as a result of Brian Donahue's and Morrie Hoevel's victory in the Portland Best Ball.

The real villain is Brian's father who shortly before the entry deadline suggested that Brian call Morrie. The rest as they say is history. The fact that they first played together the first round of the tourney pours more salt in the wound. Perhaps the rest of us can take some solace from the fact that the villain and his partner had to play both days with the winners. Even so we will bet the villain is proud, and rightly so.

### PLAYERS IN THE MONEY:

- 132-B. Donahue, M. Hoevel.
- 134-J. Belen, T. Belen.
- 135-A. Gloden, D. Anderson.
  - N. Jackson, E. Warr Jr.
- 136-D. Sullivan, F. Conklin.
  - B. Kost, S. Wakulsky.
  - J. Donahue, T. Russell.
  - W. Hopkins, J. Pitts.
  - J. Ellis, T. Thelen.
- 137-L. Wier, D. Greeley.
  - P. Marston, D. Kleckner.
- 140-T. Jamieson, J. Weurding.
- 143-B. Aumaugher, D. Dipace.
- 144-G. Julien, J. Mathiason
- 146-K. and R. Stevenson.
- 151-B. Black, T. Skehan.
- 154-S. Forbes, R. Hammar.
- 164-E. Daily, L. Wendrow.

Portland payed the first eleven and every tenth place after that. Ties were broken by drawing names from a hat.



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BECK AND CUSHION ARE OAKLANE

BEST BALL PLAYOFF WINNERS

Dave Beck and Dave Cushion, in a playoff, edged Bob Fossum and Tom Jamieson for the spring Oaklane Best Ball title. Both teams shot 129. Their nearest competitors were Todd Colthorp and John Weurding, and B. Armstrong and G. Forrest, both teams three back at 132.

Teams in the money: Championship

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| 129--D. Beck, D. Cushion      | \$125. |
| B. Fossum, T. Jamieson        | 95.    |
| 132--T. Colthorp, J. Weurding | 60.    |
| B. Armstrong, G. Forrest      | 60.    |
| 134--D. Korkoske, G. Kramer   | 60.    |
| 135--C. Hawker, M. Hawker     | 60.    |
| 136--B. Kennedy, G. Ross      | 30.    |
| B. Kost, S. Wakulsky          | 30.    |

First Flight: Places 1 thru 3

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| 136--J. Donahue, T. Russell | 65. |
| 137--S. Bakita, S. Green    | 41. |
| J. Dickey, K. Goodwin       | 41. |

Second Flight: 1 thru 3

|                         |     |
|-------------------------|-----|
| 145--K. Karey, M. Bakos | 50. |
| L. Davis, J. Shdull     | 32. |
| J. Haney, D. Vance      | 32. |

Third Flight: 1 thru 3

|                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| 151--R. Rapson, J. Fabian | 35. |
| J. Simons, R. West        | 17. |
| G. Jackson, T. Lewis      | 17. |

BOARSHEAD MEMORIAL 3-PERSON SCRAMBLE

HAS A PLAYDATE

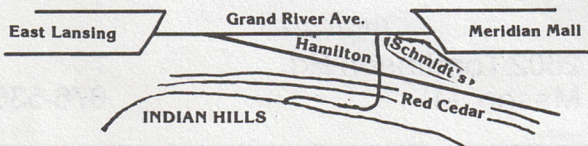
Friday, August 15 at Highland Hills the Third Annual Boarshead Memorial 3-person scramble opens for a one day run. The cast is limited to 40 teams. The price of admission is \$50 per player, but \$30 of that is a charitable donation--you get a chit to show the IRS. I played in this event last year and it returns excellent value for the money spent. Your entry gets you a green's fee, 1/2 motor cart, a new ball, and free beer and soft drinks. You try for 7 roles in the production: if your team wins the lead role, it gets 6 season tickets to the Boarshead Theater and \$300 in merchandise. 2nd and 3rd get tickets also and merchandise money. 4th gets merchandise money. 11th, 22nd, and LAST PLACE are also payed. Not only does the tourney pay 7 places, it also offers prizes on every hole for such things as longest drive, longest putt, straightest drive, etc. Last year these prizes included baskets of wine, hair styling appointments, a month's supply of coffee among other things. Call John Peakes 322-0535 or Bob Aumaugher 349-0926 for information. Application deadline is August 11th.

By Bob Aumaugher

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## SEVEN FROM LANSING AREA

### MAKE MICHIGAN AMATEUR MATCH PLAY

Seven lansing area golfers survived the two day medal qualifier and moved on to match play in the 75th anniversary Michigan Amateur. The number would have been eight, tying Lansing with Grand Rapids, but Dave Brooks lost an eleven man playoff for four remaining spots in the 64-man field.

Thursday morning's first round matches saw Steve Wakulsky (145-tied for second in qualifier-, 2-1), Fred Behymer Jr. (149, 5-4), and Bob Fossum (79-68, 147, lup) lose to well known players.

Bill Kost (149, 4-3, 2-1) and Bob Aumaugher (150, lup-20 holes, 3-1) won their morning matches but lost in close tugs of war in the afternoon. Bill made a gutty comeback after being 4 down in the first 7 holes. Bob lost in effect to a 50 footer on the 16th hole.

Making the 'Sweet Sixteen' were Jon Kosier (145, 6-5, 4-2, lup, 4-2) and Dave Greeley III (150, 2-1, 4-3, 2up). In addition to 'bragging rights' the 'Sweet Sixteen' earn a formal dinner given by the Golf Association of Michigan.

Only four matches from the championship Greeley and Kosier carried Lansing's banner into Friday's matches. Unfortunately Greeley's opponent birdied four of the last five holes to win 2up in the morning. Kosier won in the morning lup in 20 holes but lost 4-2 in the afternoon, ending Lansing's hopes.

Congratulations to all.

By Bob Aumaugher and Bill Kost-

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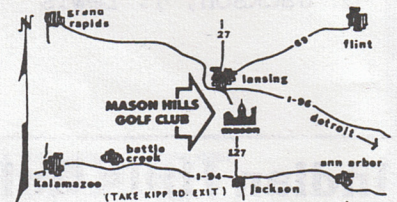
### HOEVEL HOLES FIRST SHOT OF YEAR

GLAGA member Morrie Hoevel, while visiting relatives in Fort Wayne, Indiana was talked into (sure Morrie) a round of golf on a par 3-4 executive course. Morrie's first shot of the year on a 110 yard par three (with a 9 iron) went in the hole. The hole played into the wind, the ball went in on the fly, and Morrie did not see any of it. Why you ask? It seems that Morrie's foursome including his wife and brother were late getting to the tee. This, in part because some members of the group had left things in the car, for which Morrie returned. Back at the tee all had hit, so Morrie hit his shot, turned and grabbed his bag in order to get off the tee quickly. By the time he looked up to see where the ball had gone it was in the hole. Congratulations anyway Morrie!

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May 10--only one team shot 60 in the Groesbeck 4-person scramble that has come to signify the official opening of Golf season. And 60 was the winning number for the team of Dick Porter, Doug Smith, Bob Steinman, and Ty Swinehardt. They edged 3 teams at 61, and one at 62. 32 teams took part in the event.

LOCAL GOLFERS DO WELL IN UP SCRAMBLE

Play golf-see the world! Taking this advice seriously, 6 local golfers ventured the week before the Michigan Am. to Munising in the Upper Peninsula to play a 3-person scramble. Leading after the first day, the team of Felix Ridsdale, Gary Becker, and Charlie Johnson had to settle for 2nd when their putters misbehaved the 2nd day. After having the same problem the first day, the team of Bert Case, Randy Devereaux, and Bob Aumaugher finished tied for 1st in the 1st flight. While visiting one of the 17 bars in the town of 3,000, the Lansing area out of towners asked the Munising locals what summer was like. Answer: There is about a foot less snow and the ice fishing is slushy.


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## SANDY'S ON A ROLL-

As you have no doubt realized by now, my predictions about the rain and the tournaments have thus far been perfect. What's new? Even as I write this, my predictions for the State Amateur are coming true.

Now for the "ALL-CITY":

Winning Score - 211

Winner - Jack Pitts

| <u>Player:</u> | <u>Comments:</u>                  | <u>Odds:</u> |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Bill Kost      | - Has "major" Tourney experience. | 4-1          |
| Dave Greeley   | - On a roll                       | 5-1          |
| Howard Evans   | - Still has a "hot" hand.         | 6-1          |
| Bob Fossum     | - Hard to repeat                  | 6-1          |
| Dan Olsen      | - I.U. rising star                | 7-1          |
| Steve Wakulsky | - Winter in Fla. helps            | 10-1         |

|                |                             |      |
|----------------|-----------------------------|------|
| Todd Colthorp  | - His swing works           | 12-1 |
| Fred Behymer   | - Our "Avis" man            | 15-1 |
| Morrie Hoeval  | - Comes to win              | 15-1 |
| Scott Malaney  | - Temper-but can still play | 15-1 |
| Tom Jamieson   | - Likes to play Groesbeck   | 15-1 |
| Bob Aumauger   | - This year's sleeper       | 18-1 |
| Brian Donahue  | - Wants to win              | 18-1 |
| Jim Dickey     | - Points for this           | 18-1 |
| Tim Russell    | - Needs to win              | 18-1 |
| Dick Wakulsky  | - Uncle can play            | 20-1 |
| Wilkie Hopkins | - Work hurts                | 20-1 |
| Jim Donahue    | - Can he win?               | 20-1 |
| Tom Ochsner    | - Tourney's Jack Nicklaus?  | 20-1 |
| Chris Nelson   | - Has length and desire     | 20-1 |
| John Weurding  | - length is a factor        | 20-1 |



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time 22-1
- Steve Mastin - Unpredictable 22-1
- Don Passage - Could surprize  
even me 22-1
- Don Mitchem - Injuries always  
have hurt 22-1

I want all my fans to realize that I have left out a few picks because I don't know if they will enter. These include:

- John Kosier
- Willie Wilson
- George Wakulsky
- Dave Brooks
- Bill Brooks
- Jim Neuman

So if these individuals should enter then there will be some dramatic and interesting changes.

## PLANNING THE GOLF VACATION

Well its vacation time again and I thought some hints for the traveling golfer might be helpful.

The first thing the traveling golfer must do is check his paraphernalia. This will give one a great excuse to buy new golf equipment. If you have a large bag, a new soft sided one will give you more room in the car. If you have a soft bag, a new large bag will protect your clubs more. Buy 3 dozen balls, explaining to your spouse that they are cheaper here than at an out of town resort course. Several new gloves to match your outfits are essential. Since you are getting a chance to play only 2 days, rain gear is a must--"But honey, I cannot miss playing this course rain or shine, it's the chance of a lifetime."

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Finally, traveling and playing golf can work to your advantage. Playing out of town, you always have the excuse available that playing an unfamiliar course caused your inflated score and the option of filling out a new card long after the round is over. But the real fun comes from pretending to be great. At a strange course no one knows you have never broken 100 in your life, or that your career drive went 165 yards or that you took 68 putts in one round last week. As far as anyone knows you are the club champ, second in the scratch league, and considering entering the state amateur next year. So when you are out of town always dress in the 70's, talk in the 80's, and hope no is watching when you hit the ball.

Yours in golf, Slick Green

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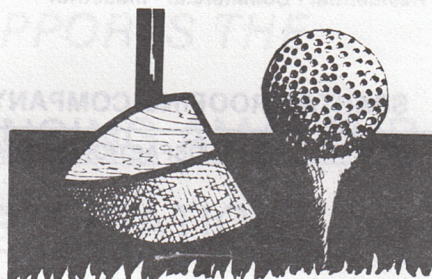
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Lansing's Steve Wakulsky and Bill Kost qualified for the 1986 U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship to be played at Tanglewood Park in Clemmons, North Carolina. Only five players from Michigan qualify for the tournament and Lansing attained two of the five spots.

Both Lansing Eastern standouts registered impressive scores on the par 70 Westshore Golf Course in Detroit. In a 36-hole, one-day qualifier, Wakulsky shot rounds of 71 - 71 and Kost 71 - 70 for third and second place finishes respectively. This marks the second time Kost has qualified for the championship and Wakulsky's first.

Last year's tourney was played in Hawaii. This year's tournament will be played on the Tanglewood course that hosted the 1974 PGA Championship won by Lee Trevino. The tournament runs from July 14 through July 19. The tournament is limited to a 159-player field and cut to 64 players, after 2 qualifying rounds, for match play.

Failing to make the top five but getting past the pre-qualifying round were Paul Nieratko and Joe Allen.

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Kyle Seltzer<br>(medalist) | 71-69 (140) |
| Bill Kost                  | 71-70 (141) |
| Steve Wakulsky             | 71-71 (142) |
| Mike Kerr                  | 74-69 (143) |
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## KOST FORM CHART

The following picks for the City Championship are mine and mine alone. I thought it would be interesting to give odds for the players in the field while showing previous finishes for that person and a quick remark. The All City will be played at Groesbeck and Highland Hills and will favor a player who is a good wind player and scrambler. The score of the eventual winner looks to be 214 (2 under par), with higher scores at the Hills and lower ones at Groesbeck. Good luck to all competitors.

- 3-1, Jack Pitts (T7, 1, -, -.)- seems unbeatable at times.
- 5-1, Morrie Hoevel (T5, -, T33, T33.)- ready to break loose.
- Todd Colthorp (T10, T14, T18, 2.)- overdue for all city win.
- Bob Fossum (-, -, -, 1.)-if the blade gets hot.
- 6-1, Fred Behymer Jr. (T2, T2, -, T18.)- year of the old guard.
- Jim Donahue (T15, T40, T6, 2-1F.)- renewed confidence in game.
- 7-1, Dan Olson (-, T10, T8, 6.)-here comes the flat bellies.
- Dave Greeley 111 (-, -, T29, T4.)- makes few mistakes.
- 8-1, Willie Wilson (-, 4, T6, T35.)- driving game the key.
- Tom Jamieson (4-1F, T40, T18, T29.)- off to good start in 1986.
- Wilkie Hopkins (T15, T12, T45, T3-1F.) knows what it takes.
- 9-1, Scott Malaney (-, T14, T8, T9.)- dangerous on any occasion.
- Tim Russell (T23, T24, T4, T18.)- can be awesome at times.
- John Weurding (-, 18, -, T33.)- length always a factor.
- Burton Smith (T13-1F, -, T8, T15.)- looking for the right putter.
- 10-1, Howard Evans (21, -, T18, -.)- Oaklane champ ready to peak.
- Jim Dickey (T7, -, -, 8.)-gets up for all city.
- 12-1, Jim Werbelow (T10, T5, T26, -.)- could make some noise.
- Jeff Belen (-, -, T4, T42.)-short game is superb.

- 15-1, Bob Aumaugher (15-1F, -, T42, T44.)- Amateur performance a boost.
- Cris Nelson (35-1F, -, T24, T18.)- has length and confidence.
- Tom Ochsner (T23, T7, T42, T18.)- consistent off tee.
- Brian Lewis (-, -, T18, T12.)-can he put talent to use?
- 17-1, Jerome Abood (-, -, -, T23.)-stand-out on MSU golf team.
- John Clark (-, T19, -, T44.)-seeking improvement at every chance.
- 18-1, Brian Donahue (-, -, T29, -.)- gaining experience.

Tournament finishes for the last four years are in parentheses. 'T' is tied for, '1F' is first flight, '-' is did not play.

By BILL KOST

## GOLF QUOTES

If you watch a game, it's fun. If you play it, it's recreation. If you work at it, it's golf--Bob Hope

I play in the low 80's. If its any hotter than that I won't play--Joe E. Lewis.

Golf is an awkward set of bodily contortions designed to produce a graceful result--Tommy Armour

Golf is like a love affair: If you don't take it seriously, it's no fun; if you do take it seriously, it breaks your heart--Arnold Daly

Golf is a good walk spoiled--Mark Twain

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