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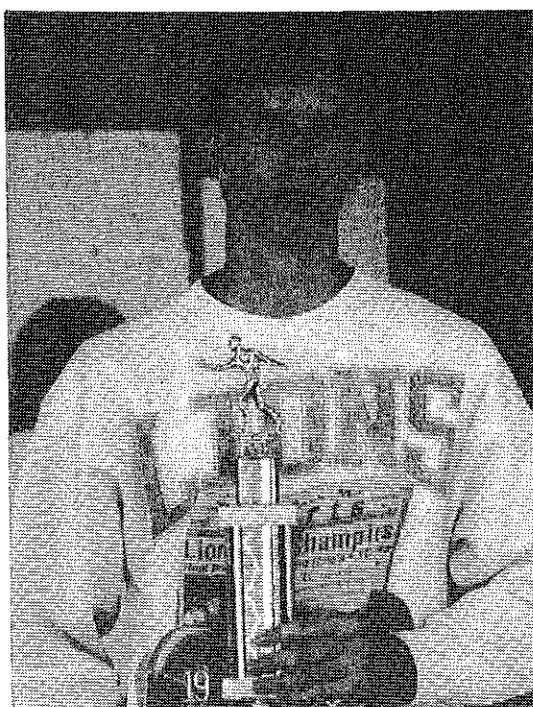
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## '92 WHPA STATE CHAMPIONS



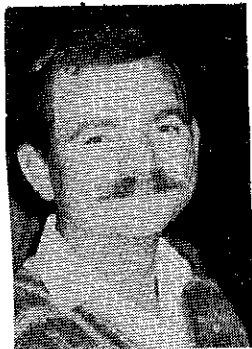
DON KANGAS LORRAINE STERNBERG RALPH MAYLAHN



HEIDE STERNBERG

MARK MAUTHE





## DICK HANSEN WHPA PRESIDENT

My congratulations to all the state champions. We had some very intense competition at this year's state. The two day tournament, not three and not Labor Day, apparently was well received by most. Other than the cold weather I heard of no complaints. Beloit has many hard working members willing to do the work that goes into pulling off a two day state tournament. The Beloit Club and Telfer Park have served us well again. Congratulations to the Beloit Club for an on time well run tournament. They seem to do it without effort, must be from all the practice they get throughout the rest of the year.

I was glad to see such a nice turn out for the Hall of Fame presentations. Two very well respected WHPA members were placed into the Hall of Fame. Jane Smith and John Secord are WHPA officers and both devote much of their time in the promotion of horseshoes around our state. We sometimes overlook those that do the most. It becomes expected or taken for granted. It was an honor for me to be the one to induct Jane and John into the Hall of Fame and sit on the board with them both. Congratulations one more time to them both.

I have been playing this game we call horseshoes for more years than I care to remember. I have had, like all of us, my good and bad tournaments. I've been up and down in average, played in the wind, rain and cold. I have been beaten by from 1 point to 100 but not until now have I been moved by my fellow horseshoe pitchers. In 1979 my dad was elected as the first president of the Racine County Horseshoe league. Three years later I took over as president of the league and held it until last spring. At our end of the year picnic, I was told my dad would be receiving an award as the founder of the league. It was his league and I was proud to see our fellow horseshoe pitchers

recognize him for his work in getting it started. When Rich Brower, who is now the president, began his presentation for yours truly, I was moved. This is then a thank you from myself and my father to the pitchers of the Racine County League. They truly have been a pleasure to serve over the past years. Thanks again.

### STATE MEETING

The WHPA Fall Meeting is being held at Royal Wood in Plover on Saturday, October 24th at 1:00 P.M..

What's on the agenda? One thing we heard at the State Tournament was the qualifying for the Championship classes for men and women. For the players that were competing in these classes, were you satisfied or would you like to see a change. It is an important decision to make so we hope you can be there.

At this time also, John Secord and Jane Smith will be placing their Hall of Fame plaque in the display case at Royal Wood.

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## STATE CHAMPIONS

Don	Lorraine	Mark	Heidi	Ralph
KANGAS - STERNBERG	- MAUTHE - STERNBERG	- MAYLAHN		
70.68	65.00	64.52	59.05	72.50

The great State Tournament of 1992 held in Beloit's Telfer Ice House brought forth a few changes.

Don Kangas, who last won at Beloit out-doors in 1989, won this one in six games. When his main competition, Larry Barber, lost to Rich Pichler in round six, Kangas had it on lock. Pressure off he went on to pitch arch rival, Randy Rein. The '90 champ put the '92 champ on notice winning a final contest but earning Rein only fourth place and some self satisfaction.

Second place is not so bad says Larry Barber who had previously found himself in a pivotal position.

John Udelhofen, the defending champ, dropped his first two games underlining a bit of an off-year.

Last seed in the eight man class, Buck Huffman, was still smiling near the conclusion. He had been 'in' every game and allowed a few to get away. The night before when out to dinner, his fortune cookie said, "You will have an opportunity to make many friends".

Senior Division Champion, Ralph Maylahn, was no surprise. He claims Harold Bestul gave him a bit

of a tussle but he won all games. As a former golfer, he took pride in pitching his age - seventy-two and a fraction - top percentage pitched at Telfer this day. Its also his lucky number. In 1972 Maylahn pitched 72% to win his other State Title

Mark Mauthe won the Boys class for the third time running. He was expected to get some serious competition from Jason Goldsmith. Instead Rick Poppe pitched for second in their double round robin. This was Mark's last appearance as a junior pitcher. At Arena next month he expects to pitch at 40 feet.

Heidi Sternberg held off Penny Steinke and her twin Heather to gain her second State Title. All three are pitching in the fifty percent range and are beginning to show their experience. These girls would have done well in the women's class.

Lorraine Sternberg realized a longtime ambition when she finally took a narrow play-off victory from Jane Smith. Sternberg got over the Smith hurdle in regular match play only to lose a squeaker to defending champion, Edi McKinney in the last round. It forced a three-way playoff with Sternberg drawing the bye for high percentage.

By this time the building without sidewalls had become quite chilly. It became the Telfer Ice House. The contestants donned sweaters.

McKinney lost to Smith and started the final gamewith Sternberg. When both women were within ten points of the goal, four dead became the common call. Sternberg doffed her sweatshirt and did not miss. The score was Sternberg 37; Smith 35. Sternberg had scored the last seven points allowing none. Sternberg lead-off with a double. It was over when Smith could not match the first shoe.

Lorraine Sternberg was red-eyed for the next thirty minutes and Jane Smith was a most gracious loser.

## STATE TOURNAMENT EVALUATED

Yes it was chilly but when the rain came, and it did come Sunday afternoon, the finals were played as scheduled under the great roof.

The schedule for near 200 pitchers was appropriate. Only three classes had to pitch the night shift (8:00 PM). No class started later than 1:00 PM Sunday. The tournament proceeded 'on time' and the 24 court house did the job in two days. What more could we ask for?

The Beloit club, accustomed to large tournaments, seemed handle this State Tournament with ease. Sure they asked for scorekeepers but isn't that to be expected. Tournament Director, Earl Paulson, set the pace - laid back. The Beloit crew followed his lead. The only complaint heard was not being able to hear. That darn P.A. system at Telfer Park must be full of sparrows again. THANK YOU BELOIT

## HOW THE SHOES FLEW AT TELFER

Some have the opinion the Championship classes are overburdened. We now have 24 in the men's class and 16 in the women's. The complaint is that it takes too many games to work through those classes. Some top pitchers don't mind the extra games in fact like to pitch two days but do not agree with the pre-liminary qualification rounds.

A keen observer noted the extra qualifying games are the equivalent of 25 more entrants.

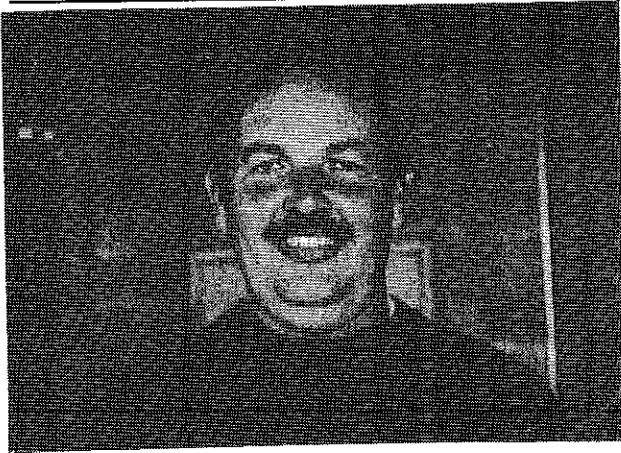
A noteworthy result of the men's qualification is that seven of the top eight were seeded in the top eight. The one 'move up' was the number nine seed.

The women's qualification showed a percentage gap halfway into "A", the second class.

It was also noted that the championship men, a 40 point class took about 45 minutes longer than "A", being a 50 shoe class. With the play-off the women's championship class lasted about five hours. It was the high point of the tournament.

At the State Tournament, the most prestigious of the WHPA, the Championship classes make the tournament what it is - the event of the year to determine the best in the entire state.

If there are designs to change the present championship format, the foregoing facts are all valid points to consider.



**PITCHER OF THE YEAR**

Tom Steinke of Waukesha is the run-away winner of the 1992 Pitcher of the Year award. He received a fifty dollar check and plaque from the WHPA president, Dick Hansen, as part of the awards ceremony during the State Tournament. Steinke criss-crossed the state from Muskego to Eau Claire and Platteville to New London working hard for the number one position.

Hansen also lauded the traveling Troulliers, Cliff and Elaine for runner-up honors. He may have addeed, the Troulliers have each shown a marked percentage increase this year.

THESE ARE THE TOP 40 TOURNAMENT PITCHERS OF 1992

1 Tom Steinke	222	20 Hank Zeisse	98
2 Cliff Troullier	165	22 Chet Ogiba	97
3 Elaine Troullier	154	23 Phyllis Davids	94
4 Bob Traber	149	24 Norm Mauthe	93
5 Jeff Mauthe	143	25 Rich Conrad	92
6 Marv Huffman	139	26 Paul Federer	91
7 Bill Floryance	135	26 Mark Stevens	91
8 Ken Jaeger	132	28 Don Kangas	89
9 Joan Guetzke	121	29 Kevin Brekke	87
10 Lor Sternberg	112	30 Jane Meier	86
11 Ron Sabish Jr	109	30 Jane Smith	86
12 Gus Schram	107	30 Pam Steinke	86
13 Mike Hansen	106	33 Dan Bloom	83
13 Edi McKinney	106	33 Ralph Maylahn	83
13 Tony Scrina	106	33 Carla McFarlane	83
16 Rich Pichler	104	36 Curt Behrends	81
17 Jim Haupt	103	37 Sal Okom	74
18 Randy Rein	102	37 Emmett Whiting	74
19 Dan Jaglowski	99	39 Debby Bestul	72
20 John Udelhofen	98	39 Claretta Hansen	72

**GOLDENDALE CONQUEST**

Four of the five recent State Horseshoe Champions hail from one club - Goldendale! Sure its a record. This the first time the Men's and Women's champions share the same club; first time for a mother-daughter, first time a former State Champ repeated as a Senior Champion, and first time one club produced FOUR State Champions.

Don Kangas, Colgate, won the Men's Championship class, his second title. Lorraine Sternberg, Richfield, became the new Women's Champion in a three-way play-off. Ralph Maylahn, Genesee Depot, took the Seniors title with a ringer percentage equaling his age, 72 plus. Heidi Sternberg, Richfield, a Junior Girl's champion of last year did it again in 1992. All four of these titleholders pitch league shoes on the Goldendale courts at the Lone Star Tavern, Germantown.

For the record, the Junior Boys Champion, Mark Mauthe, of Platteville claimed his third title running.

Any club would be proud to have just one State Champ but there have been other years that produced two champs from one club in Wisconsin - the WHPA.

**GOLDENDALE:**

1977 Rick and Bret Pritzlaff; Men's and Jr Boys  
1981 Bret Pritzlaff & Tammie Mattson; both Jrs

**Eau Claire:**

1982 Shary Klopp & Debby Bestul; Women's & Jr Girls  
1983 Shary Klopp & Debby Bestul; " " "  
1984 Pat Eaton & Debby Bestul " " "  
1985 Pat Eaton & Debby Bestul " " "  
1986 Pat Eaton & Debby Bestul " " "

**GOLDENDALE:**

1989 Don Kangas & Renee Sternberg; Men's & Jr Girls

**PLATTEVILLE:**

1991 John Udelhofen & Mark Mauthe; Men's & Jr Boys

**GOLDENDALE:**

1992 Kangas, L Sternberg, Maylahn, and H Sternberg

Years past more State Champs (Men's) originated in the Milwaukee area. Many pitched at Washington Park. Since then the hot spots for multiple titles in the same club, have been Eau Claire, Platteville, and you said it, Germantown.

Goldendale Horseshoe Club of Germantown, Wisconsin has set a performance record in this 1992 State Tournament of vast proportion - a WHPA record that will stand for many years. We, in fact, wonder if it has ever been equaled in the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

First year POY winner, Bob Jackson, is on injured reserve. Last year's POY winner, Randy Rein, has returned after back problems. This year Bob Traber was leading the race until his shoulder gave out.

Traber is mending after rotator cuff surgery. The prognosis is six to nine months of therapy. Hopefully Tom Steinke can overcome the jinx.

VFW

The Heart of the Valley VFW Post 10544 held its annual Doubles Tournament Sept. 13-13 at Kamps Kovered Kourts in Combined Locks.

The hottest competition was in Class E and The Ladies Class.

Regular competition in the Ladies Class ended in a three-way tie for first place with four wins, one loss.

Class E regular competition also put three teams into play-off each with a four and two record.

The foregoing words are from a two column article in the HEART of the VALLEY CURRENT, a Fox River Valley newspaper as the title infers. The article carried a double column square picture of Charlie Janssen, partner of Don Navarrete, a co-director of this tournament with LeRoy Meyer.

We are impressed with the coverage the Newspaper afforded the VFW group. They included a full results column while this horseshoe NEWSLETTER even chopped the original copy! Hats-off to the VFW and their publicity person.

RESULTS		* = play-off
A Elaine and Cliff Troullier	5/0	47.5
Elmer Bigfire & Steve Wiegert	3/2	49.0
B Carl Doughty & Harold Bestul	5/1	40.8
Rich Dobbe & Rich Weczorek	4/2	37.9
C Joe Felton & Kim Felton	5/0	40.4
Don Wagner & Frank Warmbrum	3/2	32.5
D Irene Wildenberg & Ruth Sanders	7/0	39.3
Ray Heimerl & John Quandt	5/2	31.2
E Al Leintz & Ray Buchberger	4/2*	26.6
Willard Smith & Darrle Huff	4/2*	22.7
Roger Behm & Dennis Behm	4/2*	19.7
F Jerry Vandenberg & Clay Poquette	5/0	15.5
Jim Haupt & Hod Haupt	4/1	16.2
LADIES Cy Srenaski & Ann Opsteen	4/1*	56.5
Pam Steinke & Heidi Sternberg	4/1*	52.7
Joan Guetzke & Heather Sternberg	4/1*	49.5

Tournament payouts:

CLASS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
A	\$50	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$10		
B	\$50	\$40	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$10	
C	\$50	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$10		
D	\$50	\$40	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10
E	\$50	\$40	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$10	
F	\$50	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$10		
LADIES	\$50	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$10		

WHPA FALL MEETING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24th

1:00 P.M.

ROYAL WOOD, PLOVER

PLATTEVILLE OPEN

Sponsored by the Platteville Recreation Dept. and the Platteville Horseshoe Association, the August Open tournament drew 88 pitchers. Most were South West people with a few from Iowa. The new champ, Mark Stevens, traveled farthest, from Marengo, with Bro' Steve who said he used every shortcut available. Ladies champ, Teresa Donar is also a first time tournament champion at Platteville. Mark Mauthe turned in the highest percentage but arch-rival, Jason Goldsmith is getting closer. Mauthe repeated as junior champion but Goldsmith pitched high game -78%. John Udelhofen tied that high percentage game but struggled to fourth position. Vic Paulson, Beloit, wound up last in "H" class but still managed to win the class high ringer award with a 38% game.

RESULTS: MEN:

A Mark Stevens	60.9	Wil Foelske, IA	62.9
B LaVern Richard	45.7	Gerald Weikert	48.9
C Jerry Volz	46.9	Dave Klipstein	41.1
D Carl Gilbertson	48.0	Ron Yttri	45.7
E Jerry Udelhofen	39.7	Harold Brockway	35.7
F John Reuter III	37.1	Albert Leuthold	30.3
G Jim Larson	36.3	David Miller	35.4
H John DeVault IL	26.0	Herb Theisen	25.7
A jr Mark Mauthe	69.2	Jason Goldsmith	65.6
B jr Brian Edge	17.1	Lee McFarlane	10.8

WOMEN:

A Teresa Donar	39.2	Linda Althaus	29.2
B Carol Burkart	28.4	Joyce Mauthe	27.2

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**TOURNAMENT ANNOUNCEMENT:**

The Fall State Meeting scheduled for the 24th of October at Plover will have an accompanying tournament. Dan Jaglowski of Pewaukee confirmed it with Doug Berry. The Royal Wood Sports Center will be available for shoes only the Saturday of the meeting. Sunday its booked for volley-ball.

Jaglowski has applied for a Sanction Certificate and is publishing a limited entry with calsses before and after the meeting. See this month's Newsletter Calendar for further details.

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Is there anyone who did not receive an invitation to the Las Vegas Hacienda Tournament?

Don Weaver and Donnie Roberts have sent out a bunch of flyers to promote the 1993 event. Looks like they have made a move to make it more attractive to reside in host hotel, the Hacienda. The \$60 entry fee will be bumped to \$85 if players elect to make their reservations at another hotel. With rooms at only \$30 for up to four persons its anybody's guess why some go elsewhere.

If you, re looking to team up with a traveling partner for this January 10-14, write me, Jim Haupt, to coordinate. Further details on request. Consult this month's NEWSLETTER calendar.

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Don Goldsmith, being treated for leukemia, is recuperating after another hospital session. He wanted to attend the State Tournament to see all his friends and watch his son, Jason compete in the Juniors championship class. Mom, Donna, came to be number one fan and to save Dad's energy. She said Don really appreciated all the cards and letters and extends his thanks to all. The good news is the doctors are thinking possible remission and Don Goldsmith is thinking of pitching some shoes - maybe in November.

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Overheard at the State Tournament: Don Kangas is noted for his quick delivery and hasty games. He was heard to apologize for a longer than usual game with the high flier, Gus Schram, saying they were constantly delayed waiting for Schram's shoes to come down.

Ralph Maylahn explains it this way. Although he doesn't mind the waiting, Maylahn does marvel the way Schram can allow for the earth's rotation while his lofty shoe is in flight.

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Becky Kangas let it be known, come April, she and the State Champ will become parents!

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**A DOWN AND BACK MAN-OF-THE-MONTH**

The T-V cameras were out in Watertown this Summer doing a thing on "Watertown Days". A local horseshoe pitcher got caught making a few ringers on camera and made the nightly news - once in July and again in August. In case you're wondering just who the phantom pitcher is, rest easy. Felix Kubly finally admitted it was he who made three ringers for four shoe just goin' down and back.

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Here's a twist on the scorekeeping controversy. Bun Carley says he may bring back the Edgerton Tobacco Days tournament depending on the World Tournament time frame for 1993. To qualify for Carley's services as tournament director pitchers will need more than an entering average and/or an NHPA card. Some scorekeeping duty will be a requirement of all entrants. No scoree - No pitchee.

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Toby Tyler of Madison writes that he has not been playing this year because of a bad shoulder - doubts if he'll ever play again. He loves the game but feels he should take his doctor's advice. Tyler says if he were a little younger than his 70 yr, he would try to pitch left handed.

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Seventy-five year old LaVern Richard of Hazel Green pitches some shoes across the state line, so all of his successes are not eligible for the Wisconsin Pitcher of the Year. Thirty feet seems like his distance.

Richard's record:

- 1st in Platteville in Spring    2nd at Arena
  - 1st at the Janesville ARC       1st at Iowa City
  - 1st at the Platteville Open    1st in Beloit Encore
  - 1st in the Dubuque Singles     1st at Clinton Open
- Richard amassed 43 wins in 47 games.

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**LOYAL CORNFEST**

**RESULTS**

A Gus Schram	53.1	Randy Rein	51.1
B Harold Bestul	45.0	Dave Schorhan	42.0
C Dale Ladd	45.1	John Schultz	35.0
D Lillian Selby	42.1	Mike Hayes	28.9
E Ruben Ehardt	36.4	George Draeger	22.9
F Carol Gilles	35.0	Don Cole	23.5
G Greg Wincentsen	27.8	Jeremy Knapp	27.5
H Lyle Kent	29.6	Ron Zepplin	22.5
I Joe Sura	20.0	Merlin Ludwig	19.6
J Noah Moore	7.5	Fred Raymond	7.1

## LETTERS

Dear Mr. Haupt:

I am somewhat new to the Association having joined in 1991 and just today read both the last issue and your most current issue. Recently having pitched in the World Tournament in Columbus and in a very few other tournaments, the thing that amazed me the most was that you only paid \$.50 to the scorekeeper to score games. That is like paying nothing!! Therefore, I noted with interest Curt Bestul's suggestion in the one issue and yours [Editor: It was my suggestion.] in the latest issue. I have found in my short time that there are many dedicated people in this sport and they shouldn't have to score for so little fee. Somewhere between \$1.00 and \$5.00 would certainly be appropriate and it certainly should be raised to at least \$1.00 immediately.

Sincerely, Jim C. Ganther Jr., Eau Claire

To the Editor:

In response to your letter on scorekeeping in the August issue of the Newsletter.

I believe your idea heads us in the wrong direction. Let's not raise the price of horse-shoe pitching. Of all the tournaments I have been to this year, I've seen few problems with needing scorekeepers and if there was a need, one of the pitchers on the sidelines would jump right in. Clubs should provide umbrellas on the courts for the scorekeepers comfort.

Also, what if you paid the lunch stand coordinators and helpers, the groundskeepers, statistician, tournament director and typist? This would probably lead to no dollars left for trophies and prize money.

If just a few more pitchers would offer to score a few games, there should be no problem at all. If necessary, we will suggest the contestants carry the clipboard and keep their own scores while pitching. This would lower the entry fees or add more to the prize fund. Once they have done this, then they might decide to help a little for other classes.

Doubles, 21 point games (\$5 or \$6 per person,) no scorekeepers needed, no statistics necessary and some are 100% payback, has always been the main game in Southwest Wisconsin as long as I can remember. We believe Wisconsin singles is on an upswing and we should try to keep the fees in the

\$12-\$15 range to help encourage new pitchers to this type of play.

Let's keep the fun in the game and not price ourselves out of the market.

Sincerely, Norman Mauthe, Platteville

Jim,

Hope you enjoyed our tournament. We have no trouble with scorekeepers.

Roy Raduechel, Eagle

## CALENDAR

OCT 3 D and G Doubles Entry \$10/team  
Carl Gilbertson, 521 Isabell St, Highland, WI, 53543  
608-929-7669; BYO partner; Noon start; D/L 9-28

OCT 10-11 ARENA NHPA SINGLES #28-92-101 Entry \$15  
Dave Forseth, Bx 92, Arena, WI 53503  
608-753-3615 INDOOR Deadline 9-25

OCT 10-11 WHITING SINGLES TOURNEY Entry \$11.50  
Whiting H S Club, 1523 Atchison Av, Whiting, IN 46394  
Larry 219-659-1632 INDOOR Deadline 10-3

OCT 24 STATE MEETING AT ROYAL WOOD, PLOVER 1:00 PM

OCT 24 STATE MT. TOURNEY at Royal Wood Entry \$15  
Dan Jaglowski, 1230 Wisteria La, Waukesha, WI 53186  
414-549-4771 NHPA sanc #28-92-102 Deadline 10-17

NOV 7-8 BIG APPLE DOUBLES Entry \$20/team  
Cliff Troullier, 3126 Wagon Wheel Rd, Manitowoc, WI 54220  
414-682-3197 INDOOR Deadline 10-24

NOV 14 ARENA DOUBLES Entry \$10/team  
Tip Wipperfurth, Hy K - 6010, Waunakee, WI 53597  
608-849-4655 INDOOR - limit 16 teams Deadline 11-13

JAN 10-14 HACIENDA VEGAS OPEN Ent \$60 after 12/15 \$75  
Vegas Open, 5025 S Eastern, #16, Bx 250, Las Vegas, NV  
89119 Don Weaver, 702-736-7348 INDOOR, D/L 1-10, 5 PM

JAN 16 WHITING SINGLES TOURNEY Entry \$11.50



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## FILLMORE USA OPEN

Fillmore, USA, ten miles northeast of West Bend, and just up the pike from Little Kohler is not even a crossroads town. Mostly its a dot on the map. The two day horseshoe tournament was the only game in town but don't look for it on the main drag.

Horseshoes here got its start same as many places - in the backyard. In Fillmore the court layout is still back there, almost hidden from view.

Pitchin' shoes is supposed to be a fun game but when it led to some friction with the league they played in way back when, the Voight and Ebert clan built their own courts and formed a club. Leon Voight must have been just a pup when it all began. Twenty-seven years later Voight is running the tournament with Herb Theisen's computer backed up by Dan Ebert and the whole Fillmore gang. Twenty seven years later he's the main man in the same backyard. And ironically they call it Fillmore U.S.A.

### RESULTS

A	Ralph Maylahn	65.7	Dan Bloom	65.7
B	Dennis Ambuehl	45.1	Gerald Gromowski	39.1
C	Dave Aho	34.9	Jim Jazak	38.6
D	Harold Wendorf	34.0	Larry McCutcheon	34.0
E	Leo Zamzow	28.0	Lefty Reich	30.0
F	Willard Smith	34.0	Roger Schroeder	24.4
G	Mike Wiedmeyer	30.0	Tom LLOYD	24.0
H	Chuck Moravec	21.4	Gene Bartley	18.3
I	Les Unferth	16.9	Don Moon	16.0
J	Dan Noennig	10.0	Wade Roberts	9.3

### WOMEN

A	Joan Guetzke	62.8	Lorraine Sternberg	64.4
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### JUNIORS

A	Heather Sternberg	44.8	Heidi Sternberg	57.2
B	Cory Sabish	21.6	Andy Bartley	20.4

## HORSESHOE SUMMER SCHOOL

by Jane Smith

Summer school Horseshoes have been offered for the past three years in the Unity School System to 3rd through 8th graders - ages 9-12 with 75 students enrolled this year. Some have enrolled all three years and some have also joined the Junior division of the Close Doesn't Count Horseshoe League.

In class students learn; proper pitching form, play of count-all, cancellation, partners, and scoring. Rainy day lesson plans include videos of World tournaments featuring juniors and local pitchers in tournament competition.

Trophies and participation certificates are awarded based on individual records kept. The top 3-4 per class earn trophies. (My goal is to reward at least 25% of students.) Sportsmanship trophies in each class are chosen by students. Students compete with all pitchers for the top three awards; Best Ringer average, Lowest Handicap, and high single game. Each student receives only one trophy allowing more to share in awards.

The trophies are donated and recycled from area clubs; Close Doesn't Count, Eau Claire, and Boyceville. A special thanks to all who have shared their memories with these pitchers of the future.

Perhaps others will share their programs and eventually we will be able to involve more schools and community education programs in promoting a very healthy sport. If there are any questions please feel free to give me a call anytime. Thanks for your generous time and dedication to horseshoes. Jane Smith, 715-485-3057 Balsam Lake, Wisconsin

## GREEN BAY

Green Bay - 'The Land of the Cluckies'. It has nothing to do with Duck Creek, which is close-by, but has come to be the 'camp' call for four dead. Class 'A' pitcher, Carl Joppe uses it often. 'B' guys, like Otis Wessley are more often heard to call, "A-lick One", which passes for Ringers alike, one point.

We sent the entry for this one to Steve Wiegert, so that makes him the Tournament Director and he was a working participant but other club people had the event clicking along so well Wiegert often found little to do.

Cy Srenaski did statistics and registration. Later her coach and mentor, Wally, dutifully turned her court as she chewed up the class 'A' Ladies, at one point racking up an 80% game.

If cheerleaders mean anything, Grandmother Ann Opsteen had the largest following. The five class 'A' ladies played a double round robin.

To keep things tight and competitive, Wiegert also limited the other 'A' class to six - even to the point of scratching himself from the field when Randy Rein came in as a late entry. Stevens, Hill, Maylahn, Schram, Kangas, and Rein are an impressive group and certainly all 'A' material.

Both 'A' classes, men and women were solid groups and in the Green Bay tradition, separate. A few lower percentage women played mixed.

This two day tournament was not as big as the G-B tournaments of old but it was quality pitching. 60 pitchers - about half from the area.

### RESULTS

#### Women's

A	Cy Srenaski	64.5	Lorraine Sternberg	54.4
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#### Mostly Mens

A	Randy Rein	64.5	Don Kangas	63.7
B	Cliff Troullier	52.4	Wally Srenaski	52.0
C	Joe Felton	48.2	Dick Hanold	50.4
D	Roxanne Selissen	42.5	Mer Sorensen	44.6
E	Dan Jaglowski	29.2	Jim King	32.8
F	Bill Matey	31.4	Ernie Sebranek	24.2
G	Mike Servais	30.4	Myron Tursky	28.8
H	Dave Pappé	24.0	Robert Trossen	17.2



**FOND DU LAC**

Jeff Secord, the guy who grew up with a horseshoe in his hand knew where to go for experienced tournament help. A product of the Wisconsin junior system, he found directing the WinnebagoLand tournament, on schedule, no problem.

Charlie Christoplis and Mrs. "C" were the toast of the F.D.L. courts Saturday. Last fall Christoplis was inducted to the WHPA hall of fame but could not be present for the ceremony. California is his new address. This was the first homecoming for the former Sheboygan couple. Charlie says he's 80 now and some days he feels pretty good. Erma did not commit. Horseshoe pitching in California gets going at 7:00AM usually with coffee and something sweet from Erma's kitchen. The games go on throughout the year with a mid-summer lay-off. At F.D.L. that day, Erma caught up on her socializing while Charlie pitched a few games.

It was good to see Charlie and Erma - healthy and happy.

The tournament schedule of classes directly followed the seed. No distinction was made for 30' pitchers. Except for junior classes, the event was thoroughly mixed.

One "A" pitcher gave up in disgust and did not compete in the final two games.

**RESULTS**

A	Ralph Maylahn	62.3	Joan Guetzke	60.3
B	Cy Srenaski	61.7	Cliff Troullier	43.7
C	G Bogenschneider	48.6	Darlene Sabish	49.7
D	Bill Martin	41.7	Ron Sabish	34.3
E	Ken Davison	37.4	Chuck Goldapske	37.7
F	Del Guenther	32.6	Larry McCutcheon	30.9
G	Leo Zamzow	28.0	Harold Wendorf	26.9
H	Jerome Weis	26.3	Willard Smith	25.7
I	C L Ollerman	31.1	Joan Struebing	33.4
J	Gary Colton	18.3	Mel Sorensen	17.1
K	Ken Wood	17.4	Diane Grohskopf	16.3
L	Larry Zentner	8.3	Phil Ganser	9.4
Jr A	Heidi Sternberg	50.0	Penny Steinke	38.4
Jr B	Cory Sabish	23.6	Tony Zentner	4.8

Thanks to all who participated. Your cooperation made the 18th annual another success. We would like to invite everyone back next year on Labor Day weekend to participate in the 1993 State Tournament.

**1993 WHPA SCHEDULE**

Some people are asking about the entry deadline for the Spearfish World Tournament in 1993. We are anticipating a four (4) NHPA sanctioned tournament prerequisite. The 1993 **WORLD TOURNAMENT DEADLINE is MAY 15th.**

WHPA Tournament registration forms for 1993 are in the hands of all known prospective tournament directors. Some have already returned in completed form. We are hoping for an earlier more complete schedule this year. Will this intended list help?

APR 24	Club-Team Tournament in Beloit	SANCTIONED
Apr 25	The Beloit Encore	SANCTIONED
Apr 30-May 2	TEAM-WORLD in Beloit	SANCTIONED
May 8	Wolf River WT Qualifier (Maybe)	SANCTIONED
May 29-30	Platteville NHPA Spring Singles	SANCTIONED
Jun 5	Wolf River One Day	SANCTIONED
Jun 12-13	Eau Claire Open	SANCTIONED
JUN 19-20	Marshfield Open	
Jun 25-27	Goldendale Open	SANCTIONED
Jul 17-18	Mid-East at Combined Locks	
Jul 31	Aug 1 Kewaskum	
AUG 14-15	Mountain	
Aug 21-22	Platteville	
AUG 28-29	Loyal Cornfest	
Sept 4-5-6	State Tournament at F.D.L.	SANCTIONED
Sept 11-12	VFW Doubles at Comb. Locks	
Sept 11-12	Wet 'n Wild at Close Doesnt Count	SANC

**EAU CLAIRE COUNTY TOURNAMENT**  
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Curt Bestul was a delegate at the World Tournament Convention. He realizes there may be a pre-requisite of four sanctioned tournaments for the Spearfish World Tournament. A few weeks prior to the City-County tournament the Eau Claire club requested a Sanction Certificate.

As a result 31 area pitchers met the 22nd of August and now have another Sanctioned tournament to their credit. All they had to do was ask.

RESULTS (\* = play-off)

A	Richard Pichler	70.00	Bill Scaaf	50.5
B	Bud Kuhnert	41.1	Dennis Keiser	44.0
C	Jim Ganther	30.8	Norm Crook	19.2
LADIES	Ev Goshaw*	53.2	Debby Bestul*	55.7
Jrs.	Mark Hass	12.0	Hope Berg	10.5

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## MOUNTAIN

BY GIL GENKE

Thousands of people swarmed the Mountain town area for the softball tourney, flea market, bingo and bringing numerous horseshoe players from all over the state with the big majority from Michigan.

As we wound up another season of horseshoe, it's no wonder why people say Mountain is the horseshoe capitol of Wisconsin. Three different leagues other than the big Mountain tourney ended August 9th. These leagues (in a 15 mile radius) which represents about 150 participants plus another 164 in the Mountain finale - no one else seems to know what area comes close to that number of participants.

Our director, John Quandt, and staff put on another flawless tourney with weather conditions almost perfect (no rain.) The families also enjoyed our new shelter, 40' by 80' next to our refreshment stand to sit under and enjoy their favorite snacks and beverages.

Don Kangas once again came out as "top gun" and top pay envelope.

But of course we missed a few of the old timers as Carl Joppe, John Secord, Jim Haupt, Ralph Maylahn and a few others who missed for some reason or another but maybe next time around.

## WHPA HALL OF FAME

Before the championship classes started at the State Tournament President, Dick Hansen, honored a few valued and respected contributors to the Wisconsin Horseshoe scene.

Annually some deserving person receives a citation of achievement from the president of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Association, Dave Loucks.

Because he doesn't really pitch horseshoes or even keep score much, the recipient was not at the World Convention to accept. We brought the award to him.

Tom Roanhouse, who pioneered indoor horseshoes at the Pitchin' Palace was honored for his continued interest and promotion of his best tournament, TEAM-WORLD. Roanhouse accepted the award on behalf of all Wisconsin pitchers who avidly support the sport.

Hall of Fame inductees, Jane Smith & John Secord, received their plaques in a court of other HOF members including C L Ollerman, Ann Opsteen, Susie Pritzlaff, Cy & Wally Srenaski, and Beatty & Curt Bestul.

Jane Smith has been into horseshoes a little more than ten years. In that short span she's been State Champ five times and tenth in the World. She can't say no to a new position. NHPA Regional Director, WHPA 1st Vice President, and President of the Close Doesn't Count League are her fun jobs. Smith also extends her ordinary job as high school Home Ec teacher to include Horseshoe Summer School - the source of many new young pitchers. Smith is married and husband Kirby is smart enough to let her do this horseshoe stuff with the rest of the 'Girls North of Hy 8'. She really doesn't fit the accepted mold of a Hall of Fame person - a bit too young - but it looks like she's more than qualified.

Smith thanked all pitchers who made it possible.

John Secord saw a need to maintain state averages and has been doing it since 1979. That's about all the anybody in this state needs to know to qualify this man for the HOF. But, over the years his whole family has been involved - kids; J.D., Kim, Jeff, and wife, Sandy - who sometimes thinks she said, "I do", to a computer. About ten years ago Secord won "B" at the State with 59.4%; although we know him better for his knowledgeable contribution and cool calm manner at and during WHPA meetings. He has habitually attended the World Tournament and Conventions. Secord in private life is a shop foreman at Broadway Chevrolet. (Just when a guy finds an honest car guy he's halfway across the state.) It was never a question of, if, Secord was HOF quality only, when.

Secord said it was an honor to be part of the HOF group and also to have made some very good friends over the last 20 years.



TOM ROANHOUSE

MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

1 DON KANGAS	70.7
2 Larry Barber	65.9
3 John Udelhofen	67.4
4 Randy Rein	60.4
5 Rich Pichler	58.7
6 Mark Stevens	58.9
7 Gus Schram	58.4
8 Buck Huffman	60.2

CHAMPIONSHIP BOYS

1 MARK MAUTHE	64.5
2 Rick Poppe	59.0
3 Jason Goldsmith	49.2
4 Cary Sabish	29.1

SENIORS

1 RALPH MAYLAHN	72.5
2 Harold Bestul	66.1
3 LaVern Richard	43.6
4 C L Ollerman	37.9
5 Sid Anderson	33.6
6 Felix Kubly	38.6
7 Vic Paulson	23.9
8 Bob Anderson	18.9

CLASS A BOYS

1 Cary Sabish	35.0
2 Brad Lokken	30.0
3 Cory Sabish	26.0
4 Chris Sabish	12.0

WOMEN'S CLASS A

1 Debby Bestul	54.3
2 Ann Opsteen	58.9
3 Pam Steinke	54.9
4 Elaine Troullier	49.1
5 Ida Hostrup	43.1
6 Darlene Sabish	39.4
7 Carla McFarlane	30.0
8 Karen Hoff	42.9

WOMEN'S CLASS C

1 Teresa Donar	36.0
2 Shari Davison	43.4
3 Marie Donar	35.1
4 Sonia Cook	32.3
5 Lois Gaulin	29.7
6 Cathy Horn	28.0
7 Renee Sternberg	24.6
8 Kathy Kelly	22.8

MEN'S CLASS B

1 Gerald Weikert	49.4
2 Norm Mauthe	56.0
3 Don Hostrup	58.0
4 Ken Jaeger	40.0
5 Rick Pritzlaff	46.3
6 Curt Behrends	39.1
7 Tony Scrima	42.9
8 Roger Poutanen	41.1

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

LORRAINE STERNBERG	65.0
2 Jane Smith	62.6
3 Edi McKinney	59.1
4 Cy Srenaski	55.5
5 Sylvia Kaiser	52.2
6 Joan Guetzke	51.1
7 Jane Meier	43.9
8 Ev Goshaw	40.6

CHAMPIONSHIP GIRLS

HEIDI STERNBERG	59.1
2 Penny Steinke	52.1
3 Heather Steinberg	48.4

MEN'S CLASS A

1 Roger Comerio	61.0
2 Emmett Whiting	60.3
3 Wally Srenaski	53.4
4 John Koepf	52.9
5 Dan Bloom	56.9
6 Cliff Troullier	52.9
7 John Barden	46.6
8 Clayton Gage	38.9

CLASS B BOYS

1 Cory Sabish	22.0
2 Lee McFarlane	18.3
3 Paul Fricano	6.0

WOMEN'S CLASS B

1 Sylvia David	48.6
2 Kathy Hanson	43.4
3 Michelle Gustafson	42.0
4 Gloria Smith	30.9
5 Mary Capener	30.9
6 Claretta Hansen	29.7
7 Georgia Beebe	35.1

WOMEN'S CLASS D

1 Judy Harder	19.2
2 Barb Behling	24.0
3 Sally Kubash	16.8
4 Ann VanTassel	25.6
5 Cecelia Trossen	18.4
6 Bernice Lokken	13.2

MEN'S CLASS C

1 Rich Brower	54.4
2 Bernard Carley	46.8
3 Jeff Secord	42.8
4 Jim Haupt	41.2
5 Richard Hansen	40.4
6 Greg Bottlemy	38.0

MEN'S CLASS D

1 Jerry Schroeder	45.7
2 Chris Kittl	42.6
3 Wayne Vanderhei	44.9
4 William Floryance	39.4
5 Terry Lokken	37.1
6 Dennis Ambuehl	34.0
7 G Bogenschneider	41.7
8 Jeff Mauthe	20.3

MEN'S CLASS F

1 Gerald Gromowski	46.0
2 Ron Yttri	47.4
3 Milt Larson	35.1
4 Curt Bestul	34.0
5 Len Mauthe	40.0
6 LeRoy Wipperfurth	37.4
7 Warren Knippel	35.7
8 Ted Rohde	32.3

MEN'S CLASS H

1 Ron Thompson	38.6
2 Jerry Udelhofen	34.3
3 Dennis Kelser	30.9
4 Bob Kalstrom	33.7
5 Robert Anderson	30.6
6 Dave Aho	32.6
7 Tom Cutts	25.4
8 Rich Conrad	28.0

MEN'S CLASS J

1 Steve Stevens	45.1
2 Norm Beckius	30.3
3 Kevin Brekke	29.4
4 Harold Muma	28.9
5 Ron Kmeiciak	26.6
6 Earl Paulson	29.7
7 Gary Bloedorn	24.3

MEN'S CLASS L

1 Jim Larson	40.3
2 Hank Zeisse	31.1
3 John Reuter III	33.1
4 Frank Look	28.0
5 Bruce McLinn	31.7
6 Ken Beebe	32.6
7 Chuck Herman	26.3

MEN'S CLASS N

1 Lyle Kent	31.7
2 Chuck Moravec	30.9
3 Frank Dohrwardt	30.0
4 Ken Kosky	26.0
5 Wayne Franzen	19.7
6 Ron Zeppelin	21.7
7 John Jashinsky	18.6
8 James Lovald	16.3

MEN'S CLASS O

1 Bud Hammer	21.7
2 Rick Horn	16.3
3 Keith Elliot	23.7
4 Ralph Zeisse	13.1
5 Weldon Gaulin	18.3

MEN'S CLASS E

1 Bert Logadon	49.1
2 Dave Klippstein	45.4
3 Lowell Kent	38.9
4 Wes Taylor	40.6
5 Harvey Bilz	42.3
6 Ken Olsen	32.3
7 Ron Sabish Jr	31.4
8 Chet Hermanson	28.3

MEN'S CLASS G

1 Carl Gilbertson	40.0
2 John Secord	46.0
3 Bill Spahn	38.0
4 Ken Davison	33.1
5 Terry Sternberg	30.0
6 Russ Burns	26.9
7 Harold Laws	24.6
8 Rob Struebing	28.6

MEN'S CLASS I

1 John Reuter	32.0
2 Tom Steinke	30.9
3 Dan Jaglowski	30.3
4 Larry McCutcheon	28.9
5 Don Burmeister	25.4
6 John Crook	22.9
7 Ron Ramquist	22.0
8 Ron Sabish Sr	16.0

MEN'S CLASS K

1 Howard Selle	26.6
2 Duane Woodward	34.9
3 Norm Capener	26.3
4 Leo Zamzow	26.0
5 Bill Matey	23.1
6 Oscar Pynnonen	24.3
7 Jerome Weis	22.6
8 LaVerne Noltmeyer	22.0

MEN'S CLASS M

1 Art Waller	31.7
2 Dale Lokken	27.1
3 Dan David	26.9
4 Ken Lovaas	30.9
5 Mel Cook	27.7
6 David Miller	22.6
7 Bob Novinski	19.4
8 LeRoy Meyer	18.3

MEN'S CLASS P

1 Trevor Malicki	15.1
2 George Kuffer	17.7
3 Al Schliem	14.6
4 Ray Schmidt	18.6
5 Curt Novinski	9.7
6 Alen Puestow	11.4
7 Kip Gusner	8.0

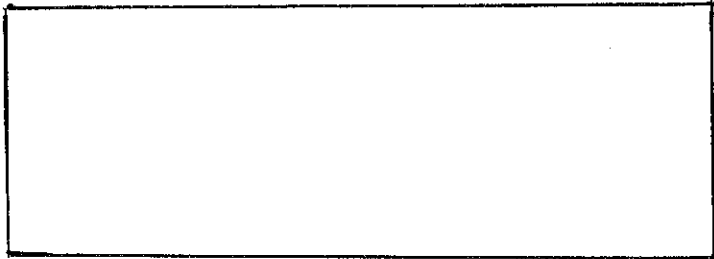
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7 Stqaan Luety	17.1
8 Craig Novinski	14.6

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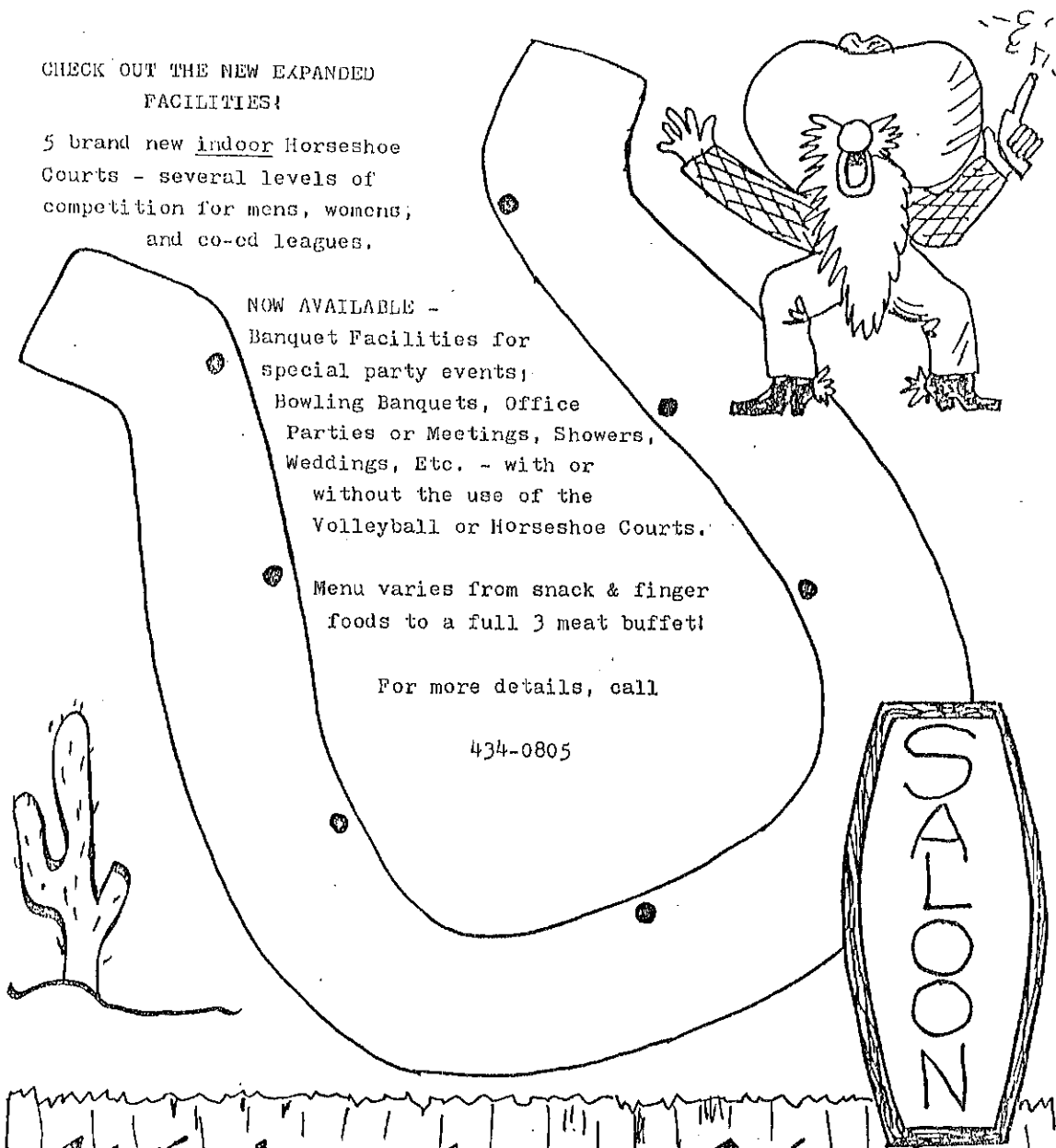
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