

# RECREATION

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**GEORGE LITTLE**

## Spring into action

Spring is really here, and sometimes for more than a one day at a time. The tasks that we've been putting off all winter have come home to roost.

Humorist Christopher Parker says, "Procrastination is like a credit card. It's a lot of fun until you get the bill."

Unless you have a lifetime license, Illinois resident hunting and fishing licenses expired March 31. Many of us put off renewing because there's no pressing need to renew when snow is blowing. Then it slides off the back burner and we forget about it.

The first thing a conservation officer is going to check when you're turkey hunting or out on the water is whether you have a valid hunting or fishing license. Paying the bill for that procrastination is expensive and time-consuming. Worse yet, there's nobody to blame. The online licensing process takes only a few minutes. Best get it done today.

If that tackle box you were going to spend a winter night untangling remains unopened, time may have already run out. Trying to separate a Daredevil from a crankbait while your well-organized buddy is hauling in lunkers right and left takes some of the fun out of fishing. Not only that, your partner may not be patient and gentle when he has to stop reeling them in to remove a treble hook from your hand.

Don't put off putting the life jackets and floatation devices back in your boat. Do it right now, and make sure you have enough of them for all potential passengers. If your floatation equipment is looking old and frayed, replace it.

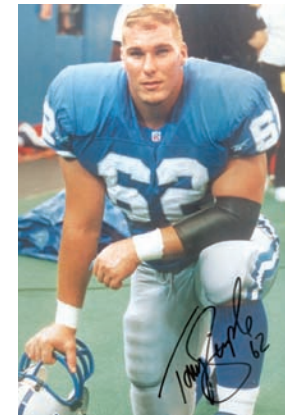
Before you put the boat in the water, put on your life jacket. Your boating companions are more likely to wear life jackets if you do. Insist that all passengers wear them. Most boating fatalities occur from drowning in lakes and rivers when the boat is within sight of the shore. Life jackets only work if you're wearing them. Eighty five percent of the time, drowning

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Campers and staff gather for a picture at one of the Tony Semple Foundation For Hope events. Semple is at bottom left. PHOTOS COURTESY OF TONY SEMPLE

# Outdoor therapy



Semple in his NFL days

### Tony Semple's camps help kids regain self-esteem through hunting and fishing

**BY CHRIS YOUNG**  
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**T**ony Semple's life's journey has taken him from Lincoln High School to the National Football League.

But Semple knows that not everyone's life takes the preferred path.

And now that his playing days are over, the former football star is helping kids who are facing disabilities or life-threatening illnesses that can put a jarring hit on self-esteem.

The Tony Semple Foundation of Hope, based in Ada, Mich., gets kids with dis-

abilities and other life challenges into the outdoors for hunting and fishing adventures.

More importantly, he says, kids get the chance to talk to other kids who have experienced similar setbacks and learn how to draw on their inner strength.

Semple, 40, played college football at what is now called the University of Memphis before playing offensive guard for the Detroit Lions for nine seasons. He retired in 2002.

His foundation puts on a series of camps each year, serving 10-20 kids a year.

But don't expect Semple to have a bunch of hunting and fishing stories up his sleeve. That's not what he wants to talk about at all.

Instead, he focuses on what happens in camp, around the campfire or in the lodge.

"We don't just take kids and send them out on a hunt," Semple says. "We are about the experience. The passion of hunting brings us together, but it's the group setting, the family atmosphere and

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Semple, a former Lincoln High School football standout and former professional player for the Detroit Lions, formed his foundation so kids with disabilities and serious illnesses could go hunting and fishing.

### Background

Tony Semple and Michigan businessman Craig Mortz started the Tony Semple Foundation for Hope six years ago.

"We got the National Football League behind it, and it really took off," Semple says.

The idea, he says, is not to have the biggest organization or put on the most camps. Rather, Semple wants to limit the size and number of camps to stay focused on the foundation's ideals.

"We're not looking to put on 50 camps a year," he says. "Craig Mortz can't be at 50 camps, and I can't be at 50 camps."

"The two or three camps, four camps are very intimate and personal," he says. "It's not about trying to become the biggest. We thought, 'Wait a minute. Let's be the best.'"

### Partners

A handful of corporate partners makes the foundation go, Semple says.

Besides the NFL, they are Leupold, Thompson Center Arms, LaCross Footwear and the Wildlife Gallery, a taxidermy studio that provides free services for campers.

"They made us a first-class entity by all coming together," he says. "It has just been a blessing to see the generosity and the desire to generally help others in the corporate community."

### Camps

Michigan is home base, but camps have been held in other states, including Missouri, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania.

"It's all really fueled by the region where we get our kids," he says.

### Kids

Semple has his own boys, ages 6 months and 2 1/2 years.

He says they are a full-time challenge for him and his wife, Dawn.

"I feel like I don't get anything done," he says with a laugh.

As an outdoorsman, Semple likes to get his kids outside. But with the outdoors comes a little dirt.

"Dawn says, 'I'm doing laundry every single day, and every time you take them out to play its another load of laundry for me,'" he says. "And I say, 'What do you want me to do? Keep some coveralls in the garage for them to wear?'"

"What can I do? They're boys. If there is a puddle, they will find it."



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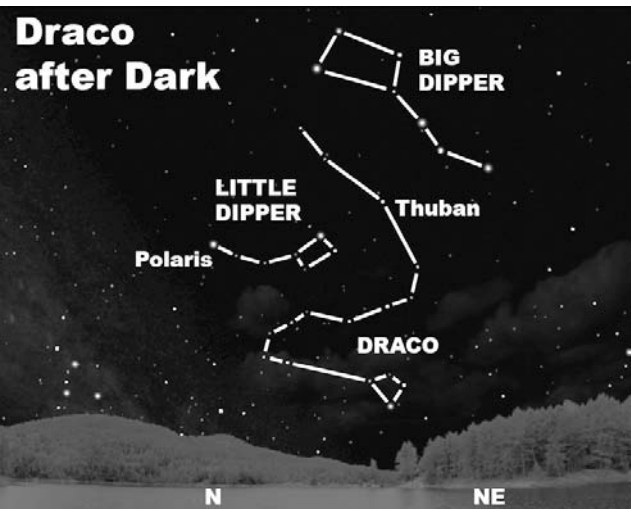
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# An intergalactic trip back in time

Wouldn't it be great to have a time machine? Just imagine all the cool things we could do.

We could travel back in time to straighten out all that we fouled up in the past or speed forward to preview exciting advances of the future. We could even peer into the same starry heavens pondered by such luminaries as Aristotle, Copernicus and Galileo.

Well, for the first two, I'm afraid you're on your own. As for the last one, I think I can help. In fact, if you'd like to see very same sky viewed by anyone throughout recorded history, all you've got to do is go outside and look up.

That's right. For the most part, the heavens haven't changed much in all that time. Orion is still Orion; the dippers are still the dippers.

There are subtle changes, of course. The moon swings across our nighttime sky every month, changing its phase as it goes. The planets wander gracefully among the fixed stars of the zodiac from year to year.

But there's one other change that occurs in our sky — one that most of us have never noticed. It's what astronomers call "precession."

Precession is the wobbling of the Earth's axis — the same kind of wobbling experienced by a spinning top. But while a top's precession is easy to see, the Earth's requires some 25,800 years to complete just one cycle.

Because of this, the overall orientation of the heavens tends to shift slightly over time. Precession causes the Earth's axis to point outward in different directions over the millennia. Right now, our planet's north axis aims roughly toward Polaris, making it our North Star. But this was not the case ages ago.

In fact, back when the ancient Egyptians were building their great pyramids, our planet's



STAR GAZERS  
DENNIS MAMMANA

northern axis pointed not toward Polaris, but more toward the star Thuban, located in the long, sinuous constellation of Draco.

Draco is a large and ancient star grouping that appears nightly in our northern sky. It wraps itself around the north celestial pole and remains perpetually above the horizon for much of the U.S.

After dark this week, go outdoors and search for Draco, winding its way between the Big and Little dippers in the northern sky. Look for its long string of stars beginning directly between the Big Dipper's "pointers" and the North Star. Then follow it downward until it snakes back toward Polaris, where it makes another sharp turn and heads downward once again.

At the lower end of its long, dragon-like body lie four stars that form the head of Draco, but modern amateur astronomers know this shape as the "lozenge." And back toward the tail end of the dragon, midway between the Little Dipper's bowl and the Big Dipper's handle, lies the faint star known as Thuban — Arabic for "dragon."

If we wait patiently for another few millennia, we'll again see Polaris and the Little Dipper drift away from the north celestial pole and watch as Thuban takes its place again as the North Star — a sort of back to the celestial future!

I wonder if the pyramids will still exist then...

*Dennis Mammanna, an astronomy author and photographer, can be reached at mammanna@skyscapes.com and www.facebook.com/DennisMammanna.*

## CALENDAR

### Saturday

Nature photography workshop, led by Dick Adorjan, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Lincoln Memorial Garden & Nature Center, 2301 East Lake Shore Drive. Cost: \$25 for members, \$30 for nonmembers. Register online at [www.lincolnmemorialgarden.org](http://www.lincolnmemorialgarden.org).

### Saturday-Sunday

Twentieth annual Megabux Bass Tournament, launching from the Lindsay Bridge Boat Ramp. Contact: Steve Parker, 741-4255 or [nitro190@springnet1.com](mailto:nitro190@springnet1.com).

### Tuesday

Bass tournaments begin at Sangchris Lake, launching from the East Boat Dock at 5:15 p.m. Cost: \$25 per boat. Contact: Rod Cooke, 899-5556.

### Thursday

Weekly Thursday night

bass tournaments begin at Lake Springfield. Takeoff is at 5 p.m. from the Lindsay Bridge Boat Ramp. Sign up at the ramp. Contact: Steve Parker, 741-4255 or [nitro190@springnet1.com](mailto:nitro190@springnet1.com).

### April 23

The first event in the Lake Springfield Summer Trail Bass Circuit will be held. Contact: Steve Parker, 741-4255 or [nitro190@springnet1.com](mailto:nitro190@springnet1.com).

### April 30

Illinois Native Plant Society annual plant sale, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Washington Park Botanical Garden, 1740 West Fayette Ave. Proceeds fund the group's grant program.

Send calendar items to [chris.young@sj-r.com](mailto:chris.young@sj-r.com) or *Outdoors, The State Journal-Register, One Copley Plaza, Springfield, IL 62705.*

# RECREATION RESULTS

## TRAPSHOOTING

**EDGEWOOD SHOOTING PARK TEAM RESULTS** — Standard Mutual 200, LSO 187, Godfrey Insurance 183, Auto Glass 166, Just For Fun 158, LG's 140, CTB 120, Dead Eye 63

**INDIVIDUAL RESULTS** — Rustin Godfrey 45, Jim Covert 45, Joseph Summerson 43, Dan Clark 41

**(April 6 Results)**

**TEAM RESULTS** — Standard Mutual 229, Auto Glass 214, Godfrey Insurance 213, Just For Fun 211, LSO 209, Metro Music 199, Bullet Express 196, LG's 194, Capitol City Arms 177, CTB 135, Dead Eye 124

**INDIVIDUAL RESULTS** — Joe Summerson 50, Rustin Godfrey 49, Chuck McDonald 48, Drew Drennan 47, Dan Clark 47, Frank England 47, Mike Miller 46, Dan Crumrine 46, Rich Hoffmann 46, John Thurman 45, Kurt McGinnis 45, Hubert McRill 45, Terry Drennan 45, Bob Perkins 45

**MENARD SPORTSMANS TEAM RESULTS** — The Grainery 208, Trading Post 201, Pioneer 2 200, Tri-County Electric 199, SESCO 197, Creative Hair Dids 196, Wiese 195, Alderman Construction 195, Tallula Sandbaggers 192, Gilmore/Allen Insurance 190, Sangamon Valley Signs 186, Regulators 186, Ground Breakers 185, J-N-B's 184, Prairie Rush Saloon 177, T&O Boys 170

**INDIVIDUAL RESULTS** — Steve Bennett 48, Dale Millstead 46, Derrick Butcher 46, Jeff Fricke 45, Harold Dirks 45, Daryl Fornoff 45, Lee Pulliam 45, Gary Feagans 45

**CALENDAR**

**Road races**

The Junaia P. Carter M.D. 5K Race, organized by medical students at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, will be April 23 at 8:30 a.m. at Washington Park. Advance registration is requested. Registration forms are available from the Springfield Running Club, and entry forms will be available from 7:30-8:30 a.m. on race day. Cost is \$18 or \$16 for online registration. There is a \$2 discount for Springfield Road Runners Club and Illinois Medical Society members. Checks should be made payable to SIU School of Medicine and sent to Office of Student Affairs, SIU School of Medicine, P.O. Box 19624, Springfield, IL 62794-9624. For registration and information, contact Jan Meyers at SIU's Office of Student Affairs, 545-2860 weekdays or email [jmeyers@siumed.edu](mailto:jmeyers@siumed.edu). To register online go to [www.getregistered.com/ama5k](http://www.getregistered.com/ama5k).

The Road to Recovery 5K Run/3K Walk will be May 14 at Washington Park with registration from 7-7:50 a.m., and the event will begin at 8. To register, go to MHCCI.org and download the Road to Recovery registration form. For more information visit [MHCCI.org](http://MHCCI.org) or call 891-5570.

**JACKSONVILLE** — The 19th annual Passavant-Powerade 5K/10K will be May 28 beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Westgate entrance to Passavant Area Hospital. Advance entry fee (until 10 a.m. May 25) is \$20, \$19 for Springfield Road Runners Club members. Race-day registration begins at 6:30 a.m., and the entry fee is \$23 with a \$1 discount for SRRC members. Online registration is available at [passavanthospital.com](http://passavanthospital.com).

**Golf events**

The 26th Annual Memorial SportsCare Golf Outing will be June 9 at Piper Glen Golf Club with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. Cost is \$45 per golfer, and the registration deadline is June 3. For more information call 862-0444 or email [sportscare@mhssi.com](mailto:sportscare@mhssi.com).

Sacred Heart-Griffin High School's 29th Annual Scholarship Scramble golf outing will be June 17 at Piper Glen Golf Course with a morning-round 7 a.m. shotgun start and an afternoon-round shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Register online at [www.shg.org](http://www.shg.org), by searching "SHG Scholarship Scramble Golf Outing" on Facebook or by calling SHG's Advancement Office at 787-9732. The fee for a morning round is \$100 per person and the fee for an afternoon round is \$125 per person. For more information, call the Sacred Heart-Griffin Advancement Office at 787-9732.

**Golf camp**

The University of Illinois Springfield women's golf team will host a junior golf camp July 8-9 for boys and girls age 4-17 at The Rail Golf Course. Cost is \$125. Registration deadline is June 27. For more information, call UIS coach Nichole Inkel at 206-8418 or 622-4653.

**Basketball tryouts**

The Central Illinois Predators will be holding basketball tryouts for its girls fourth-grade club team April 29 from 7:15-8:45 p.m. and May 1 from 6-7:30 p.m. at The Gym of Springfield. Tryout fee is \$20 per person. The registration form is available online at [www.predatorsball.com](http://www.predatorsball.com), or at THE GYM of Springfield, 1823 Camp Lincoln Road, Springfield, IL 62704. Registration form and fee are due prior to or at tryouts. For questions call Steve Klumick at 522-7122 or email [stevek@thegym-ill.com](mailto:stevek@thegym-ill.com).

## GOLF

### Tourney results

**NORTHBRIDGE HILLS Masters Event (April 9)**

1. Derek James 66 (won playoff), 2. Howard Pillsbury 66, 3. Adam Cisne 68, 4. (tie) Mark Strain and Brad Glynn (69)

Net — 1. Brad Glynn 57, 2. Joe Bianco 58, 3. Russann Turner 59

**Women's league**

**THE RAIL G.C. Tuesday League Blind Holes**

1. Brenda Heaton; 2. Mary Ann Laurenzana; Low putts: (tie) Mary Ann Laurenzana and Marilyn Egger

**Holes-in-one**

**NANCY ANDERSON** of Springfield used a 9-wood to score a hole-in-one March 13 on the 81-yard No. 8 hole at King Gate Golf Course in Port Charlotte, Fla.

**NANCY ANDERSON** of Springfield used a 9-wood to score a hole-in-one March 14 on the 86-yard No. 7 hole at King Gate Golf Course in Port Charlotte, Fla.

**DAVE LESSEN** used a 9-iron to score a hole-in-one on the 134-yard No. 6 hole at Country Hills Golf Course on April 3.

**ALLEN NOLTING** of Springfield used a 9-iron April 8 to score a hole-in-one on the 110-yard No. 10 hole at The Oaks Golf Course.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6**

**Men's 640**

Eric Mullins .769 R. Wallace . . . .742  
Paul Files . . .725 Rex Kinzora . . .724  
J. Caldwell . .719 Jeff Smith . . .717  
Tim Kemp . . .715 Rob Monroe . .713  
R. Standridge 708 Chad Dierking .705  
Zack Meyer .705 Bryan Ritter .702  
Dr. Downey .697 Scott Mauck .680  
Dan Stewart .679 Fred Knope .677  
Chad Ramey .676 Joe Martin .674  
R. Rakowski .674 Mike Miller .669  
Kent Hill . . .668 B. Willoughby .665  
Jeff Skaggs .664 Dan Sparks .664  
B. Rakowski .663 Brett Thomas .663  
Randy Fix . . .657 Rick Lloyd .655  
T. McKane . .655 Bernie Riddle .655  
C. Walcher . .654 N. Weiskopf .653  
M. Branham .649 Justin Howard .649  
John Kerska .645 I. Blackwell .640

**Women's 555**

M. Ellington .622 H. James . . . .609  
Jen Suter . . .581

**THURSDAY, APRIL 7**

**Men's 640**

Dave Barker .786 K. Micheleletta .781  
Keith Hillen .763 C. Rokita . . . .760  
Rich Griffiths .758 Brett Lindsey .755  
Ron Wilson .755 J. Klimentzak .751  
Tim Geist . . .750 M. Graham . . .743  
C. Walcher . .739 Karl Burdick .734  
Keith Hillen .734 John Thomas .726  
Greg Rives .721 W. Pitchford .720  
Randy Crain .719 T. Lindsey .718  
D. Diamond .717 B. Morenz . . .716  
Jeff Skaggs .714 Dean Barnes .706  
Justin Jacobs .705 Toby Chiles .697  
Steve Stead .697 G. Williams .697  
Rich Dunbar .695 Matt Gietl .693  
D. Morris . .693 Craig Rhodes .693  
M. Kasprzyk .690 G. Heineman .687  
J. Corum . . .684 Doug Hatthorn .684  
T. McCain . .682 Scott Strode .680  
Josh Risse . .679 Chet Hohimer .678  
S. Fernandez .675 T. McDaniel .674  
Dan Wilson .665 M. Wiseman .664  
Mike Baines .663 M. Burdick .663  
S. Marshall .662 M. Burdick .661  
Q. Steiner .660 Ron Mahan .659  
Tom Roth .656 Rob Meyers .654  
M. Williams .652 D. Ingram .650  
L. Williams .649 S. Krumweide .649  
K. McNeely .648 Mike Guthrie .647  
J. Koprowitz .647 James Box .646  
Bob Cole . .644 Steve Granger .644  
M. Clay . . .643 R. Molitoris .642  
J. Brahrer . .641

**Women's 555**

V. Beorkrem .716 T. Parnell . . . .707  
D. Milburn .703 Linda Carter .679  
T. Jones . . .669 Mo Risse . . .651  
C. Ruddock .648 Kathy Stader .628  
C. Tangman .626 M. Gillespie .617  
A. Williams .614 K. Milburn .613  
T. Marshall .609 Lisa Timm .602  
T. Burdick .596 Jean Winn .593  
D. Collins . .570 Jenny Smith .564  
Ta. Williams .559

## BASKETBALL

**Youth results**

**THE GYM**

**6TH GRADE BOYS** — Bruins 37, Chatham Titans 34; Cougars-Shea 40, Chatham Titans 11; Athens Warriors 28, Taylorville 18; Taylorville 35, Predators-Fitch 30; Cardinals 41, Williamsville 21; Chatham Titans 34, Athens Warriors 31; Cougars-Shea 44, Franklin 23; Cougars-Shea 24, Cardinals 22; Franklin 36, Bruins 30; Williamsville 35, Predators-Fitch 16

**7TH GRADE BOYS** — Calvary 41, Wildcats 22; MTL 30, Fly 711 24; MTL 31, Predators-Yeck 15; CTK Cougars 48, Falcons 32; CTK Cougars 57, Williamsville 44; Falcons 51, Predators-Collins 30; Predators Allen 48, Predators-Yeck 32; CTK Cougars 41, MTL 28; A19 56, Calvary 22; Gillespie Miners 45, Calvary 21; A19 44, Fly 711 21; A19 61, Wildcats 13; Williamsville 42, Redbirds-Davis 27; Predators Allen 47, Predators-Collins 25; Falcons 48, Predators Allen 39; Predators-Yeck 38, Redbirds-Davis 31

**8TH GRADE BOYS** — Predators-Besalke 34, Tropics 27; Blugolds 44, Klumick 33; Falcons 50, Klumick 39; Ackley 50, Falcons 43

**5TH-6TH GRADE GIRLS TOURNAMENT** — Predators Sinclair 27, Rochester Collins 23; Lady Jays 28, Lady Terriers 8; Illini Warriors 35, Lady Storm 11; Illini Warriors 30, Lady Storm 16; Lady Wildcats 15; Lady Jays 29, Plains 6GT 23; Rochester Collins 30, Lady Wildcats 14; CU Elite 30, Lady Jays 19; Rochester Collins 37, Lady Terriers 7; Illini Warriors 50, CU Elite 14

**7TH-8TH GRADE GIRLS TOURNAMENT** — Diamond Jems 34, Team Simpkins 15; T'Ville Brotherton 36, Predators Neirman 30; Team Simpkins 22, Slammers 21; Peoria Rush 50, Cougars 32; Predators Neirman 42, Predators Freeman 32; Cougars 38, Wolfpack 30; Peoria Rush 50, Litchpatch Sharks 43; Predators Crum 28, Slammers 9; Plains Cardinals 28, Predators Freeman 26; Predators Crum 35, Diamond Jems 34; Litchpatch Sharks 38, Wolfpack 19; Taylorville 39, Plains Cardinals 24; Peoria Rush 39, CU Elite 31; Predators 47, Taylorville 26; CU Elite 38, CTK 28

**FRIDAY, APRIL 8**

**Men's 640**

Rick Lloyd .718 Brian Floyd . . .703  
Dr. Downey .691 Jeff Rouse . . .686  
Austin Bailey .684 Gary Stritzel .682  
Jim Law . . .678 J.J. Crim . . .663  
Paul Mauer .656 B. Rakowski .646  
John Ciccone .640

**Women's 555**

Linda Carter .668

**Women's 555**

T. Micheleletta 615 M. Ellington . .597  
Jenny Smith .569 Annie Lewis . .555

## SWIMMING

**Masters results**

**ILLINOIS MASTERS ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP STATE MEET At Vermion Hills (April 9-10)**

**MALE 53** — Nick Merrill: 3. 100 freestyle 54.54, 6. 200 individual medley 2:33.84, 4. 200 freestyle 2:04.90, 6. 100 butterfly 1:04.56, 4. 50 freestyle 24.97

**FEMALE 46** — Liesl Smith: 4. 100 freestyle 1:03.64, 6. 200 individual medley 2:51.29, 2. 50 breaststroke 37.90, 3. 100 breaststroke 1:23.58, 6. 50 freestyle 29.03, 4. 100 individual medley 1:16.27

## TENNIS

**Local results**

**SURPRISE, Ariz.** — The Midwest Team from the Springfield Racquet and Fitness Center recently finished 2-1 in 8.0 division of the United States Tennis Association Senior Mixed Doubles National Invitational Championships at the Surprise Tennis and Racquet Complex. The Midwest Team lost its opening match in a third-set tiebreaker to Arlington, Texas, and then beat Southern California 2-1 and Tucson, Ariz., by default. Members of the Springfield squad were captain Kathy Sigle, Harmon Deal, Julie Heim, David Welch, Susan Lazarides, Greg Piland, Janet Kuhnke, Scott Morton and Doug Ivers.

## BOWLING

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

**Men's 640**

G. Howell Sr. 711 Floyd Cruz . . .687  
S. Blakemore Sr.682 Don Oliver . . .661  
Gordon Fritz .645

**MONDAY, APRIL 11**

**Men's 640**

Paul Stagner 726 M. Graham . . .712  
J. Koprowitz 704 G. Stewart . . .689  
Steve Stead .683 K. Schwab . . .667  
Jeff Kufa . . .659 Justin Clark . .658  
John Goode .653 Dean Holliday .652

**TUESDAY, APRIL 12**

**Men's 640**

Bob Cole . . .768 M. Burdick . . .760  
John Thomas 760 Tom Hale . . .741  
C. Sorensen .730 Randy Suiter .729  
R. Tangman .723 Craig Rhodes .722  
Jim Grigg . .715 Brian Collins .713  
Bob Manker .713 Bryan Paoli . .711  
B. Burgess .709 Jeremy Grigg .704  
C. Rokita . .704 Blake White .696  
Gary Proffitt .691 G. Robinson .688  
Scott Strode .684 Troy Morton .678  
John Ciccone .674 Russ Suter . .673  
Dale Diamond .664 Jim Lenhart . .659  
Dan Wilson . .659 Ron Mahan . .655  
Jim Skufca . .649 R. Trowbridge .648  
Tim Scott . .640

**Women's 555**

Amee Lee . .690 N. Downey . . .664  
D. Thompson 593 T. Micheleletta .569  
M. Ellington .563

**DAVE BARKER** had games of 248, 300 and 238 for a 786 series April 7 in the Harper Oil Individual Classic League at King Pin Lanes. He bowls for jefcarterbowling.com and carries a 234 average, and it was his fourth 300 game.

**KENNY MICHELETTA** had games of 279, 223 and 279 for a 781 series April 7 at King Pin Lanes in the Jack Dye League. Micheleletta bowls for Benanti Builders and averages 240.

**VERNIE BEORKREM** had games of 233, 225 and 258 for a 716 series Thursday in the Ladies Trio Classic League at King Pin Lanes. She bowls for Dick Taylor Automotive and averages 218.

**TIFFANY PARNELL** had games of 222, 237 and 248 for a 707 series Thursday in the Ladies Trio Classic League at King Pin Lanes. She averages 197.

**DARRILYN MILBURN** had games of 246, 192 and 265 for a 703 series Thursday in the Ladies Trio Classic League at King Pin Lanes. She bowls for Pennell Forklift and averages 218.

**AMEE LEE** had games of 257, 185 and 248 Tuesday for a 690 series in the Trio Classic League at AMF Laketown Lanes. She bowls for Sluggo's with a 205 average.

**BRIAN COLLINS** bowled a 300 game April 7 at King Pin Lanes in the Harper Oil Individual Classic League. He bowls for Pepsi Cola with a 217 average.

**KEITH HILLEN** bowled a 300 game April 7 in the Harper Oil Individual Classic League at King Pin Lanes. He bowls for King Pin Lanes with a 232 average.

**JON KOPROWITZ** bowled a 300 game Monday. No more information was available.

**COREY SORENSEN** bowled a 300 game Tuesday in the Trio Classic League at AMF Laketown Lanes. He bowls for Bowlers World with a 219 average.

## REC PAGE POLICY

The State Journal-Register will publish top-10 finishers for non-high school sports with team competition and the winners in dual meets.

Only the results of grade school-aged contestants (6 and over) will be published.

All results must be turned in by midnight Tuesday to appear on that week's Recreation section, which will be published every Friday.

Information can be sent via fax to 788-1382 or by way of email to [sports@sj-r.com](mailto:sports@sj-r.com). Please call 788-1550 to confirm your information has been received.

Results also may be phoned in toll free at (800) 397-7678. Any results containing five or more games and/or 10 or more names must be submitted in writing. All standings must be submitted in writing.

The State Journal-Register will publish sports-related public service announcements once a week, under the "Calendar" section. All items must be submitted in writing by midnight Thursday to be considered for publication.

Announcements for tryouts, tournaments, organizational meetings, clinics, etc., will be published only in Friday's editions of The State Journal-Register.

Public service announcements will be published only one time. Any subsequent publication must be done through a paid advertisement.

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the experience of being around the fire — that is what this program is about."

He says those experiences are very intimate.

Kids and camp staff bond over stories of struggle and, ultimately, Christian faith.

"It can be very heartfelt," Semple says. "Before the night is over, we might have 40 people sharing stories and kids opening up about how God is real in their lives and how they pull strength from that."

## LITTLE

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victims had life jackets in the boat, but they weren't wearing them.

One of my friends who routinely harvests a turkey with a bow is try-

"It can be a very powerful moment."

And the kids end up helping each other.

"They are always lifting the other kids up," he says.

The outdoors experience — something many take for granted — can help kids find confidence.

"By taking kids that are living with a disability getting them outdoors, it helps them discover the very real power and gifts they have," Semple says. "It's very special, and that is what these camps are all about."

Semple says he often hears from many of the kids who have attended the camps, especially at important times in their lives.

I don't know what to put off first, target practice at that distance or brushing up on my calling so I might have even a snowball's chance of bringing Tom Turkey up that close. First, I should probably practice sitting still for longer than 15 minutes at a time. I've

"I get calls from different kids almost every week," he says. "We stay in touch."

One boy came into camp with low self-esteem, due to an automobile accident that put the brakes on his life's plans.

"He left camp and he ended up starting his own company that helps other individuals get back into society," he says. "We were able to take a kid who came in with a negative outlook on life and stop that in its tracks."

"Camp helped him adjust to his new life," Semple says. "It is so awesome to see that."

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## Premium books available for Illinois State Fair competitions

Premium books for the 2011 Illinois State Fair are available online.

The five books include rules, entry forms and prize information for more than 8,700 competitive events at the

fair. Livestock and horse show entries should be sent to fair officials by July 1. Other contests, such as the culinary, floriculture and textile contests, must be in by July 15.

Print copies of the premium books are available upon request. To obtain one, call Durinda Kirby at 782-0786. The fair opens Aug. 12 and runs through Aug. 21.

been putting that off since the Reagan administration.

Maybe I need a support group. I'd join a procrastinator's club if anybody ever got around to organizing one.

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