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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION

The meeting was called to order by Senator Dan Thiessen at  
Chairperson

11:00 a.m. ~~xxx~~ on Tuesday, January 28, 1992 in room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present:  
Bill Edds, Revisor Office  
Don Hayward, Revisor Office  
Chris Courtwright, Research Department  
Tom Severn, Research Department  
Marion Anzek, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Representative Joan Wagon, Chief Sponsor of HB2399  
Darrell Montei, KS Department of Wildlife & Parks  
Doug Bowman, representing Children & Yough Advisory Committee  
Representative Barbara Allen, Chief Sponsor of HB2183  
Chris Hahn, Executive Director-Special Olympics, KS  
Todd Allen, Director of the Sunflower State Games of KS

Chairman Dan Thiessen called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. and said the agenda for today calls for hearing of proponents and opponents on HB2399, and HB2183.

HB2399: Income tax refund or donation checkoff for the Kansans for Kids program.

**The following conferees are proponents of HB2399.**

Representative Joan Wagon, Chief sponsor of HB2399 said the whole concept of a various number of forms has come up from time to time and she said she feels this would give the taxpayers of Kansas the opportunity to contribute to a worthy cause. She said the family and childrens trust fund would be a depository for any money raised for the KS for Kids Program which is a well recognized program which deals with the prevention issues for child abuse, and with the addition to the legislatures agenda of the blueprint from KS children and families, it is apparent that increased emphasises are preventatives especially for child abuse, and it pays big dividends for Kansans in the long run.

She said, those who worked on the blueprint suggested that funds for the trust fund be increased, and she said, now they are coming from a portion of the marriage license fees. She said this would give the KS taxpayers an opportunity to contribute at the bottom of their income return, to the present fund to be used for those purposes, and since it is a KS program and already in place and on the legislative agenda in terms of additional resources for children and families, she said she feels there is more reason to pass it now than when it was passed out of the House Committee last session. **(NO WRITTEN TESTIMONY)**

Representative Larry Turnquist turned in written testimony (**ATTACHMENT 1**)

**The following conferee is an Opponent of HB2399.**

Darrell Montei, KS Department of Wildlife & Parks said the Chickadee Check-Off for nongame wildlife was enacted in 1980 and first appeared on the individual state income tax forms during 1981. He said the individuals donating to the check-off is small, but the amount of individual donations has increased over the years and has been instrumental in maintaining a funding base.

He said nongame check-off funds are used for a variety of programs such as providing bird feeders and bird food to retirement facilities, educational programs for children, species recovery efforts, research, etc.

He said, based on reports and averages from other states, the following can be expected if a competing check-off is added in KS: (1) Total donations would increase about 21%. (2) A 20% reduction in donations to the KS nongame program would occur. (3) A slight increase in the number of donors would be expected. (4) The dollar amount of individual donations would probably remain about the same.

CONTINUATION SHEET

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION,

room 519-S, Statehouse, at 11:00 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on Tuesday, January 28, 1992

In Mr. Montei' testimony on 2nd page, are additional check-offs, the department offered as alternative or amendments for consideration by the committee. (ATTACHMENT 2)

Doug Bowman, representing Children and Youth Advisory Committee testified as a neutral conferee.

Mr. Bowman said he would offer a technical amendment for consideration. The elimination of the three specific amount boxes. Instead, simply offer the blank line option. He said, this would avoid any potential confusion if someone were to check the \$10 box and then write-in \$20. The instruction booklet can set a minimum donation amount in the narrative portion.

Mr. Bowman, said if the committee chooses to create an additional income tax checkoff, the prevention of child abuse is a goal we can all support. (ATTACHMENT 3)

Chairman Thiessen concluded the hearing on HB2399 and turned attention to HB2183 recognizing Representative Allen, Chief sponsor of HB2183.

HB2183: Provide for an income tax check-off, and donations would be credited to the KS Special Olympics and Sunflower Games Amateur Sports Fund.

The following conferees are Proponents of HB2183.

Representative Barbara Allen, Chief sponsor of HB2183. Representative Allen said she introduced the bill because she believes in the programs and activities of KS Special Olympics, which provide a year-round program of sports training and competition to 6,000 individuals with mental retardation. She said, in addition, the income tax checkoff will provide funds to KS annual state games.

Representative Allen said the Department of Revenue estimates that implementation of a corporate income tax checkoff would require a one time expenditure in FY 1992 of approximately \$76,000 for data processing. She said, at the time she offered the amendment on the House floor this information was not available to her, therefore she is requesting that the corporate income tax checkoff provision be removed from HB2183. (ATTACHMENT 4)

Chris Hahn, Executive Director-Special Olympics, KS said the reason for an income tax check-off for KS Special Olympics, is because they are providing programs and opportunities to our special education students that our public schools should be providing. He said an income check-off would provide substantial and permanent funding to ensure the continuance of this supplemental programming throughout the state to our citizens with mental retardation. He said, this bill would help bridge the gap between what government should do and what government can do. (ATTACHMENT 5)

Todd Allen, Director of the Sunflower State Games of KS, said the Sunflower State Games is an annual three-day, multi-sport athletic festival for KS amateur athletes, regardless of age or skill level. He said, they have participants ranging in age from 6 to 82 years of age.

He said, the mission of the games to to promote health and fitness through friendly, family oriented athletic activities.

He said the checkoff would not take money away from the state treasury, but would allow KS citizens to voluntarily donate small amounts toward an event created for them. He urged the committees support for HB2183. (ATTACHMENT 6)

Chairman Dan Thiessen concluded the hearing on HB2183.

Senator Fred Kerr moved to approve the minutes of January 22, 1992, 2nd by Senator Gerald Karr. The motion carried.

Senator Fred Kerr passed to the members information on proposed statutory changes, he received from Larry J. Clark, CAE- Wyandotte County Appraiser for information to the members.

Chairman Dan Thiessen adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.



Testimony of Representative Larry Turnquist  
House Bill 2399  
January 28, 1992

This letter is testimony in favor of HB 2399 which establishes the income tax checkoff for the Kansans for Kids program.

This bill outlines a voluntary income tax checkoff program to fund children's services. As with any income checkoff, it is clearly printed on the state income tax forms to offer maximum participation by Kansas income tax payers. Suggested amounts in this version of the bill are \$1, \$5, \$10, or unspecified amount to be filled in by the taxpayer. I would have no opposition to offering a larger specified amount, such as a \$25 option.

All proceeds from this checkoff would be deposited in the existing Family and Children's Trust Fund. In addition the state would match from the state general fund an amount equal to the lesser of \$500,000 or the total amount designated from refunds plus the total amount donated hereunder during the preceding calendar year. Again I would not be opposed to raising that ceiling amount on the maximum contribution.

The Family and Children's Trust Fund is spent in accordance with K.S.A. 75-5328 for the following purposes:

1. matching federal moneys to purchase services relating to community-based programs for the prevention of problems of families and children;
2. providing start-up or expansion grants for community-based prevention projects or educational programs for the problems of families and children, primarily but not limited to, child abuse and neglect and family abuse;
3. study and evaluate community-based prevention projects and educational programs for the problems of families and children;
4. preparing, publishing, purchasing and disseminating educational material dealing with the problems of families and children;
5. payment of the salary and actual and necessary travel expenses of the coordinator employed by the children and youth advisory committee.

In summary, I would like to stress the strongest aspect of this funding mechanism: it is voluntary. Individual taxpayers make a personal decision to participate in the checkoff program. In addition, a strong bond will be formed between Kansas citizens who voluntarily donate to this fund and the State of Kansas who will participate by matching dollar for dollar the Kansas citizens' donations. It is truly a convenient voluntary act which has enormous potential to benefit the children of our state.

I ask for your support.

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H.B. 2399 and H.B. 2183

Testimony Presented To: Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee

Provided By: Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks

January 28, 1992

House Bills 2399 and 2183 are two similar bills dealing with an income tax check-off, but for differing beneficiaries. H.B. 2399 addresses the Kansans for Kids program and H.B. 2183 for amateur sports programs, special olympics and the Sunflower state games. H.B. 2183 was amended in the House to make the nongame fund interest bearing, but H.B. 2399 does not contain similar language.

Legislation which created the Chickadee Check-Off for nongame wildlife was enacted in 1980 and first appeared on the individual state income tax forms during 1981. 1991 was the tenth year of the check-off. Contributions to the nongame program in 1991 for the 1990 tax year were approximately \$156,000. The percent of individuals donating to the check-off is small, but the amount of individual donations has increased over the years and has been instrumental in maintaining a funding base.

This check-off is the sole dedicated funding source for nongame wildlife management efforts in Kansas and is critically important for continuing that type of work. While the amount is not large by some standards, any reduction in the amount available would noticeably affect nongame programs.

Nongame check-off funds are used for a variety of programs, such as providing bird feeders and bird food to retirement facilities, educational programs for children, species recovery efforts, research, etc. These programs are quite important to many Kansans.

Our records indicate that there were 32 states with a nongame type check-off in 1987. There may be a few more by now, but there has not been a nation-wide survey conducted since that time. In almost all cases, a nongame check-off was the first check-off authorized in those states. By 1987, 16 of those states had enacted one or more competing check-offs and two states had six competing check-offs. Based on reports and averages from other

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states, the following can be expected if a competing check-off is added in Kansas:

- Total donations would increase about 21%.
- A 20% reduction in donations to the Kansas nongame program would occur.
- A slight increase in the number of donors would be expected.
- The dollar amount of individual donations would probably remain about the same.

Based on these estimates and using 1991 figures, a competing check-off would generate about \$33,000. However, the nongame check-off would only generate about \$125,000--a \$31,000 reduction which would have major impact on nongame wildlife programs in the state of Kansas.

In response to the continuing effort by various interests in Kansas to create additional check-offs, the department has offered several alternatives or amendments for consideration. These measures include:

- Provide that interest earned by the nongame fund be deposited into the nongame fund. This provision was amended into H.B. 2183 by the House during the 1991 session, but similar language was not amended into H.B. 2399. The amount involved is rather small (approximately \$7,000 to \$8,000), but it would help.
- States have found that the order of appearance of the check-offs on the tax forms plays a role in the amount donated. If competing check-offs are ever authorized, we would suggest an amendment which would direct that the tax forms place the nongame check-off first on the form.
- Create a state general fund match for the nongame check-off. This concept was amended into S.B. 290 during the 1989 legislative session, but did not pass. A copy is included in the with this testimony. Basically, an amount equal to the lesser of \$100,000 or the amount contributed through the nongame check-off would be transferred from the state general fund to the nongame fund. A process of this nature would

help maintain a viable funding base for the program.

- H.B. 2183 was amended to provide for corporate donations for the bill's original beneficiaries. The nongame check-off was not included. Allowing for corporate donations to the nongame program in both bills would provide some additional income to the nongame check-off. However, based on experience from other states, primarily Minnesota, the amount received from corporate donations was far less than their original predictions.

SENATE BILL No. 290

By Committee on Assessment and Taxation

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17 AN ACT relating to income taxation; providing for an income tax  
18 refund or donation check-off for the Kansans for Kids program;  
19 *providing for transfers of moneys from the state general fund to*  
20 *the nongame wildlife improvement fund; amending K.S.A. 79-3221e*  
21 *and repealing the existing section.*

22 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

23 Section 1. (a) For all taxable years commencing after December  
24 31, 1988, each Kansas state individual income tax return form shall  
25 contain a designation as follows:

26 Kansans for Kids program. Check if you wish to donate, in addition  
27 to your tax liability, or designate from your refund, [ ] \$1, [ ]  
28 \$5, [ ] \$10 or [ ] \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

29 (b) The director of taxation of the department of revenue shall  
30 determine annually the total amount designated for use in the Kan-  
31 sans for Kids program pursuant to subsection (a) and shall report  
32 such amount to the state treasurer who shall credit the entire amount  
33 thereof to the family and children trust fund established by K.S.A.  
34 75-5328, and amendments thereto. In the case where donations are  
35 made pursuant to subsection (a), the director shall remit the entire  
36 amount thereof to the state treasurer who shall credit the same to  
37 such fund. On December 31st of each year, the state treasurer shall  
38 transfer from the state general fund to the family and children trust  
39 fund an amount equal to the lesser of \$500,000 or the total amount  
40 designated from refunds plus the total amount donated hereunder  
41 during the preceding calendar year. All moneys deposited in such  
42 fund shall be used solely for the purposes prescribed in K.S.A. 75-  
43 5328, and amendments thereto. All expenditures from such fund  
44 shall be made in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-5328,

45 and amendments thereto.

46 *Sec. 2. K.S.A. 79-3221e is hereby amended to read as follows:*  
47 *79-3221e. The director of taxation of the department of revenue shall*  
48 *determine annually the total amount designated for use in the Kansas*  
49 *nongame wildlife improvement program pursuant to K.S.A. 79-*  
50 *3221d, and amendments thereto, and shall report such amount to*  
51 *the state treasurer who shall credit the entire amount thereof to the*  
52 *nongame wildlife improvement fund which fund is hereby established*  
53 *in the state treasury. In the case where donations are made pursuant*  
54 *to K.S.A. 79-3221d, and amendments thereto, the director shall remit*  
55 *the entire amount thereof to the state treasurer who shall credit the*  
56 *same to said such fund. On December 31, 1990, and December 31*  
57 *of each year thereafter, the state treasurer shall transfer from the*  
58 *state general fund to the nongame wildlife improvement fund an*  
59 *amount equal to the lesser of \$100,000 or the total amount designated*  
60 *from refunds plus the total amount donated hereunder during the*  
61 *preceding calendar year. All moneys deposited in said such fund*  
62 *shall be used solely for the purpose of preserving, protecting, per-*  
63 *petuating and enhancing nongame wildlife in this state. All expend-*  
64 *itures from such fund shall be made in accordance with*  
65 *appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and*  
66 *reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the director of*  
67 *the Kansas fish and game commission secretary of the department*  
68 *of wildlife and parks or the director's secretary's designee. As used*  
69 *in this act, "nongame wildlife" means any species of wildlife not*  
70 *legally classified as a game species or furbearer by statute or by*  
71 *rule and regulation adopted pursuant to statute.*

72 *Sec. 3. K.S.A. 79-3221e is hereby repealed.*

73 *Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after*  
74 *its publication in the statute book.*



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TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE ASSESSMENT & TAXATION COMMITTEE

Sen. Dan Thiessen, Chairman

HB 2399 - January 27, 1992

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify today. My name is Doug Bowman, and I represent the Children and Youth Advisory Committee.

HB 2399 proposes an income tax checkoff for the benefit of the Kansas Family and Children's Trust Fund. Kansas created the first such fund in 1980, and all but a few of the other states have followed our lead, creating similar entities. The focus of the fund is to provide "seed money" to local community projects for the prevention of child abuse and neglect. These grants are renewable for up to three years at a decreasing amount, with a local match required.

Currently, revenues for the Children's Trust Fund come from a portion of each marriage license fee, a small federal challenge grant, and an annual appropriation from SGF. This year's appropriation is currently in a Ways and Means Sub-committee.

May I offer a technical amendment for your consideration? I would recommend the elimination of the three specific amount boxes. Instead, simply offer the blank line option. This would avoid any potential confusion if someone were to check the \$10 box and then write-in \$20. The instruction booklet can set a minimum donation amount in the narrative portion.

Finally, I note there are several other income tax checkoff bills being considered. Realistically, they will not all be approved. The tax form has a limited amount of space to accommodate these worthy causes. If you choose to create an additional income tax checkoff, the prevention of child abuse is a goal we can all support.

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Mr. Chairman, members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today on **1991 H.B. 2183**, which as amended, provides for an individual and corporate state income tax checkoff, starting with tax year 1992 returns, for support of the programs and activities of Kansas Special Olympics and Sunflower State Games amateur sports programs.

I introduced this bill because I believe in the programs and activities of Kansas Special Olympics, which provide a year-round program of sports training and competition to 6,000 individuals with mental retardation. In addition, the income tax checkoff will provide funds to Kansas' annual state games.

Why should the state provide an income tax checkoff for Kansas Special Olympics, when there are so many well-deserving organizations in Kansas that would like the same special treatment? Because our public schools really should be providing athletic opportunities for these special education children. But in reality, state funding isn't available to give them recreational activities. An income tax checkoff would provide substantial and permanent funding for this great charitable effort. It would help bridge the gap between what government should do and what government can do.

**H.B. 2183** allows a taxpayer to voluntarily donate, in addition to his or her tax liability, or to designate from his or her tax refund, \$2, \$5, \$10 or \$\_\_ to Kansas special olympics and the Sunflower state games amateur sports programs. Donations would be credited to the Kansas Special Olympics and Sunflower State Games Amateur Sports Fund, which would be created by the bill. On or before March 15, 1992, and each year thereafter, moneys in the Fund as of March 1 of such year would be disbursed to Kansas Special Olympics, Inc., on condition that the moneys are disposed of as follows:

- 1) 50% would go to the Sunflower State Games;
- 2) the balance would be expended for the support of Special Olympics programs and activities in Kansas.

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An amendment to the bill provides for a monthly transfer from the State General Fund to the Kansas Nongame Wildlife Improvement Program Fund (KNWIPF), equivalent to the interest earnings on the average daily balance of the KNWIPF for the previous month. As you are aware, current law already authorizes an individual income tax checkoff for nongame wildlife.

Similar bills were passed by the Iowa Legislature in 1988, and by the Arizona Legislature in 1990.

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The Department of Revenue has determined that this bill will have no fiscal impact on State General Fund revenues. One time administrative costs to implement one additional individual income tax checkoff are estimated to be \$7,600 in FY 1992.

The Department of Revenue estimates that implementation of a corporate income tax checkoff would require a one time expenditure in FY 1992 of approximately \$76,000 for data processing. In light of this estimate, which was not available to me at the time the amendment was offered on the House floor, I am requesting that the corporate income tax checkoff provision be removed from the bill.

Mr. Chairman, I will be happy to answer any questions.



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Mister Chairman and members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today on H.B. 2183, which provides for an individual state income tax check-off in support of the programs of Kansas Special Olympics and the Sunflower State Games.

What began in the mid-60's in the backyard of Eunice Kennedy Shriver as a day camp program, is today, the largest program of sports training and athletic competition for mentally retarded children and adults. A grassroots program utilizing the talents of more than 15,000 volunteers throughout Kansas, Special Olympics provides the coaching, guidance, sharing and caring for more than 7,100 athletes in all 105 counties.

Yes, after 23 years of existence, great strides have been made throughout the state as training and competition is offered in 17 sports on a daily basis to the athletes. However, greater needs exist. The athletes are challenging those of us involved for better coaching and training along with greater opportunities and challenges. Our services are being requested faster than we are able to provide them. As the athletes develop their skills, they gain a greater self-respect and esteem, thus becoming integral participants in their schools, at home, on the job and in their communities. The summons of Kansas Special Olympics is to provide the challenges and opportunities necessary to allow each individual to grow to their greatest potential.

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Why an income tax check-off for Kansas Special Olympics? Because, we are providing programs and opportunities to our special education students that our public schools should be providing. In reality, the state funding isn't available to provide the special education students with the necessary leisure and recreational activities and experiences. An income tax check-off would provide substantial and permanent funding to ensure the continuance of this supplemental programming throughout the state to our citizens with mental retardation. This Bill would help bridge the gap between what government should do and what government can do.

Across the United States today there are radical reforms occurring within education that will have a direct impact upon Special Olympics and the demand for the services being provided. Included:

- \* Education is lifelong. It will not stop with high school completion.
- \* Schools will become centers for a wide variety of community services (health, social, welfare, family, etc.), not just educational services.
- \* More education will take place in community settings instead of within artificial school settings.
- \* The school building principal, teachers and parents will have the greatest authority in determining what goes on in the school. Gone will be the large, centralized, administration-heavy school systems.
- \* Outcome-based education, or a focus on the educational outcomes to be attained by students, is replacing process-based education (length of school day/year; segregation vs integration, open vs traditional classroom, etc.) as the measure of success.

The decision you must make is not an easy one, but I ask that prior to making your decision, you weigh, as you always do, your decision on the merits of this Bill and the impact upon the citizens of Kansas. This Bill does not request any money from the State Treasury, but provides the opportunity for each Kansas taxpayer to voluntarily donate in addition to his or her tax liability or to designate from his or her tax refund.

A similar bill was passed by the Iowa Legislature in 1988 and the Arizona Legislature in 1990.

I will be happy to answer any questions.



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Kansas Senate Assessment and Taxation Committee

Mister Chairman and Members of the Committee:

I am Todd Allen, Director of the Sunflower State Games of Kansas. Thank you for allowing me to appear here today to discuss H.B. 2183, which would provide for an individual state income tax checkoff in support of the programs of the Sunflower State Games and the Kansas Special Olympics.

The Sunflower State Games is an annual three-day, multi-sport athletic festival for Kansas' amateur athletes. Not just elite athletes, though there are a few of those, but for every Kansan, regardless of age or skill level. Last year we had a 6 year-old participant. We also had an 82 year-old participant. Any ordinary Kansan can enter this grassroots event; the only requirement is that they enjoy athletic activities. You could, and some have, call the Sunflower State Games the "Kansas Citizens' Olympics." 1992 will be the third year of the Games.

The mission of the Games is to promote health and fitness through friendly, family-oriented athletic activities. We are working with Corporate Kansas to develop ways to support and promote programs such as "Toward a Drug-Free Kansas." The Sunflower State Games prides itself on its commitment to offering the citizens of Kansas an event that whole families can, and do, attend. It is an event that Kansans will remember, not for wins or losses, but for the sense of pride and community that it instills.

In an age where thousands and millions of dollars are spent on re-active programs, programs that address problems once they have appeared, the Sunflower State Games offers a pro-active program. We want to reach out to folks, to provide them an outlet and activity which they can feel proud about. We bring folks from all over Kansas together for a

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wholesome weekend of fun with their families and friends. We offer a quality event that promotes fitness and traditional Kansas values.

The growth of the Sunflower State Games means a victory for amateur athletics for all Kansans. It means the message about health and fitness will be spread statewide. In the next three years, the Sunflower State Games will grow to 10,000-15,000 participants, with at least that many spectators. Future plans are to expand the program to regional competitions that will reach even more folks. This is a vehicle carrying a valuable and worthwhile message. We are a non-profit, 501 (c)(3) organization that relies solely on donations, entry fees, and corporate sponsorships. Our funds are limited. This checkoff would go a long way toward ensuring the growth of the Sunflower State Games, allowing it to promote a healthy lifestyle for all Kansans.

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The Sunflower State Games, like the 45 other state games around the country, is recognized as a grassroots athletic event by the United States Olympic Committee. We are produced under the auspices of, but without the funding of, the Kansas Governor's Council on Fitness.

The checkoff would not take money away from the state treasury, but would allow Kansas citizens to voluntarily donate small amounts toward an event created for them. Therefore, I urge you to support H.B. 2183.

I would be happy to answer any questions.

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January 24, 1992

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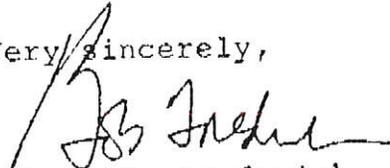
Dear Senator Thiessen:

As a member of both the Sunflower State Games and the Kansas Special Olympics Board of Directors, I am requesting your support of HB2183 to provide a state income tax checkoff to support Kansas Special Olympics and the Sunflower State games.

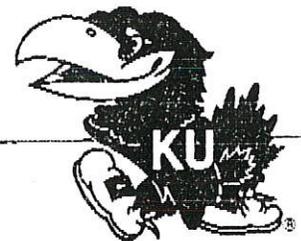
Both of these events provide family-oriented statewide amateur athletic events for Kansans. These events have also been extremely successful in the past and need additional financial support to maintain and increase the opportunities available to Kansans.

The income tax checkoff provides interested tax paying Kansans the opportunity to support these two worthwhile endeavors with minimum support. Thanks for your consideration in supporting this proposal.

Very sincerely,

  
Robert E. Frederick  
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SENATE COMMITTEE ON ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION  
Tuesday, January 28, 1992

Re: HB 2183

The Kansas Recreation and Park Association (KRPA) strongly supports the passage of HB 2183, allowing for an income tax checkoff to benefit the Kansas Special Olympics and the Sunflower State Games.

Kansas Special Olympics and Sunflower State Games are both not-for-profit organizations created to provide quality amateur athletic opportunities for all Kansans. Neither organization receives federal, state or local funding.

Both organizations focus their efforts to encourage participation in activities that enhance

- \*individual self-esteem
- \*individual fitness and wellness levels
- \*family togetherness
- \*community spirit
- \*state pride

It is customary in Kansas to provide state tax support to agencies that administer or allocate funds for productive leisure experiences for Kansans (the arts, tourism, parks and outdoor recreation). Once a Kansan leaves the academic environment, state supported opportunities for athletic endeavors essentially cease.

HB 2183 would allow Kansans to contribute to a fund that would assist the private sector in filling that void.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura J Kelly  
Executive Director

## THE SUNFLOWER STATE GAMES

- What** The Sunflower State Games is a **multi-sport, Olympic-style athletic festival** for the people of Kansas. The Games consist of eighteen sports, ranging from Basketball to Bowling to Trap Shooting. An Opening Ceremony, fashioned along the lines of the Olympic Opening Ceremony, begins the competition on Friday night, and special events continue throughout the three day festival.
- Who** The Games are created and held for **all** citizens of Kansas. The sports are divided into age and skill categories, so that competition is fair to all. In the 1991 Sunflower State Games there was a six-year old athlete and an 89-year old athlete, evidence that sports and fitness know no age barriers. There are also divisions in several sports for disabled athletes and Special Olympians.
- When** The 1992 Sunflower State Games will be held the weekend of **July 31, August 1 & 2.**
- Where** Games competition and Opening Ceremony will be held in **Lawrence, Kansas.** Most sports will be at the University of Kansas, though several will be at other Lawrence-area facilities.
- Why** The purpose of the Sunflower State Games is to promote health and fitness through friendly, family-oriented athletic competition. The Games are proud to support "Drug-Free Kansas."
- History** The Sunflower State Games joined the fast-growing state games movement in 1990. Currently, there are 45 states that conduct state games in the United States. The National Congress of State Games is a member organization of the U.S. Olympic Committee, and is recognized by the Olympics as a grass-roots training system for future Olympians. **In the 1988 Seoul Olympics, 20 percent of the U.S. Olympians were alumnae of their states' state games program.** Michael Jordan, Evander Holyfield, Mike Tyson and many other Olympic and professional athletes honed their skills in state games competition.
- Expected** **5,000** athletes, **7,500** spectators, **500+** volunteers in 1992 Games.



Carrying the torch

—Amy Kunhardt, The Capital-Journal

by Kimes of Topeka, right, passed the torch for the Sunflower State Games to fellow runner Jim McCormick, also of Topeka, at the corner of 38th and Adams. Each ran a mile of the torch was to be

delivered for the opening of the second Olympic-style games Friday evening. The run began at the Statehouse with a ceremony involving Gov. Joan Finney. Competition in 15 sports will be

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## Mahattanics fare well at Games

Tracy Anderson of Manhattan was the men's champion of the Sunflower State Games triathlon with a 1 hour, 59 minutes, 58 seconds time at Lone Star Lake near Lawrence Saturday.

The men's team championship was won in 2:15:32.1 by Sam Odle, Curt Wood, and Pat Schwab of Manhattan.

The triathlon was comprised of a 1,600-meter swim, 40 kilometer bicycle race and a 10K run.

Age group champions in 11 short course from Manhattan included Pam Cuevas (1:41:29) and Marlies Keough (1:31:46).

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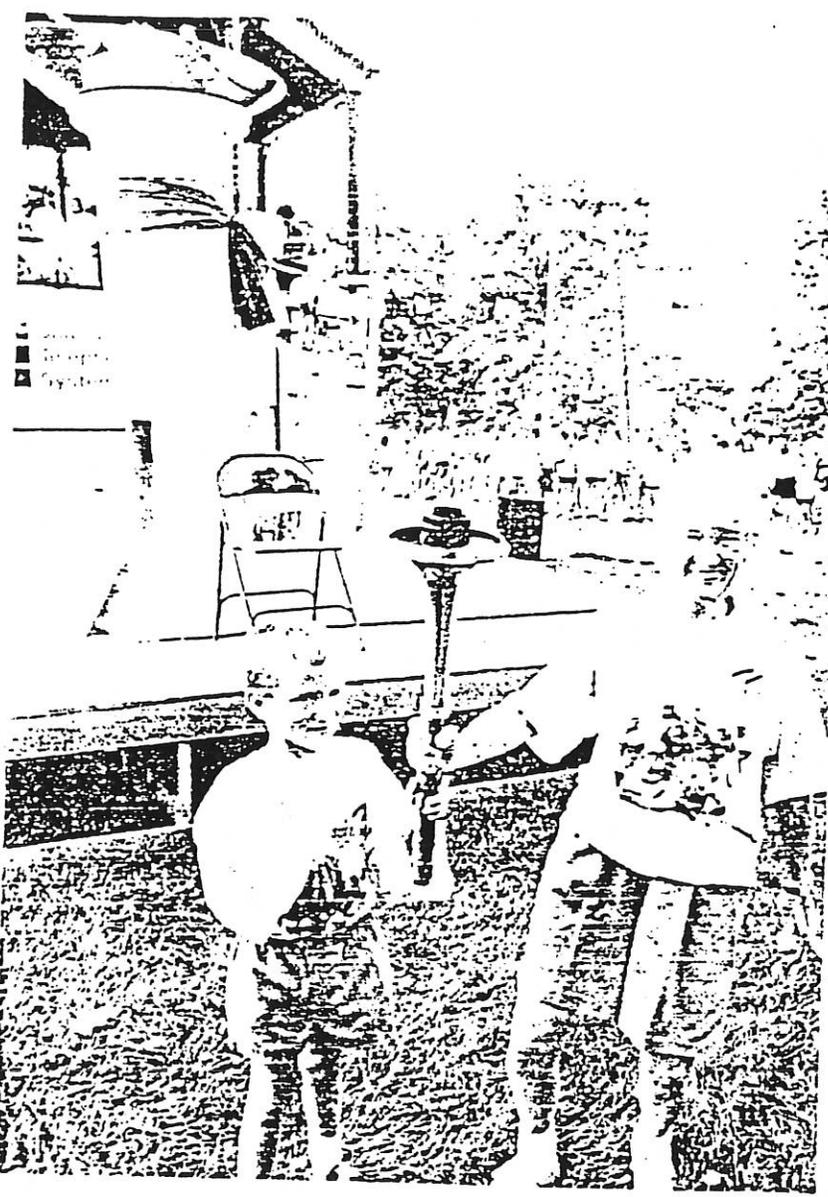
## Miracles place first at Sunflower Games

The Miracles 12-and-under girls basketball team won its age group division Sunday at the Sunflower State Games in Lawrence.

The Miracles won three games, defeating Topeka 10, 26-17, Moundridge, 28-21, and Farmland-Ampride of Parsons, 25-17.

Members of the team are Don McMullen, Lindsay Bodine Elizabeth Boggs, Sumie Naiten Carrie Fitzgerald, Dana Bruce Hillary Alters, Rachel Simpson and Sara Brock. The team is coached by Dave McMullen.

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(Staff photo by David Doemland)

David Foster, 6, Bonner Springs, and Thirza Reed, 83, Lawrence, light the torch at South Park at Friday's opening of the Sunflower State Games. Foster and Reed are the youngest and oldest participants in the games.

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**Local Bowlers Win  
In Sunflower Games**  
Flossie Abell, Lillian  
Hawthorne, Marie Garretson,  
and Nellie Holdeman, the latter  
from Mulvane, all were in the top  
five at the Sunflower State  
Bowler's Tournament in  
Lawrence on Saturday and Sun-  
day bowled in the finals on  
Sunday.

Abell won third in the  
tournament in singles, and  
Hawthorne was fifth.  
Garretson bowled  
fourth, and  
Holdeman fifth in

# 2 youth boys' basketball to play at Sunflower State

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By THE HAYS DAILY NEWS  
Two youth boys' basketball teams  
sponsored by Mr. Quick Mini Mar-  
ket of Hays will participate in the  
second annual Sunflower State  
Games this weekend in Lawrence.  
Five members of last year's 18-  
under runner-up team will be play-  
ing on Mr. Quick's squad in the  
same division.  
Thomas More Prep-Marian grad-  
uate Corbin Knoll, TMP-Marian  
Senior Chad Cremer and Hays  
School senior Mitch Rohr all  
from last year's silver-medal  
team do Garden City graduate  
Ellsworth and senior Darren  
and Graduate Anthony  
Garden City junior  
Nickerson alumnus  
TMP-Marian senior  
are also on the 18-  
under squad.  
Mr. Quick's 16-unde-  
tures seven players, in-  
each from Hays High. The  
and Victoria High School.  
HHS juniors Matt Spicer  
Chad Tauscher, TMP-Marian  
iors Corey Allen and Danny  
Victoria Junior Darren Wind-  
berger, and Stockton junior Bran-  
don Weidenhaft compose the squad.  
The Hays 18-under squad will play  
pool games at noon and 4 p.m. on  
Saturday, with the four winners  
advancing to the semifinals Sunday.  
The 16-under Mr. Quick team will  
play three times in pool play Sat-  
urday, with the pool winner moving  
into medal play Sunday.  
The semifinals for both brackets  
are set for 8 a.m. and the finals at  
11 a.m.

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**MEDAL WINNERS** — Four Burlington children medaled events at the Sunflower State Games during the weekend. Pictured left to right are: Daniel Falkenstein, Rachel Falker, Nathan Falkenstein, and Nick Bowling.

# Four medal at Sunflower State Games

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The second annual Sunflower State Games were held August 2-4 in Lawrence, with four Burlington children being awarded medals. Daniel Falkenstein earned a gold, silver and bronze medal with a first place finish in the 100 meter backstroke, breaststroke, and 50 meter.

# Local kids head to Sunflower State Games

by Sheila Jones  
Colby Free Press

Thomas County has many local kids traveling to the Sunflower State Games this week-end in Lawrence. Among those are Spencer McKee and Brandy Rupp of Colby. They both agreed that attending the Robinson Center at the Allen Field House will be quite an experience.

McKee, 10, is the son of Tim and Pam McKee. He will be swimming in the Olympic-style competition for Kansas amateur athletes in his age group.

Rupp, 16, is the daughter of Alan and Sherry Rupp. She will be playing on the AAU Thunderbolts Basketball Junior Olympic Team. She feels that this will be quite an experience and said that she plans on having fun.

Rupp has been playing basketball since the age of five. She plays on the Colby High School varsity girls basketball team. This summer is her second year playing for the Bulls on the Colby Community College Summer League.

home winning three, third place, and one fourth place events. Competing against a whole different 'ball games,' McKee won third place in the 100 and 50-yard freestyle; a third in his 50-yard butterfly; and a fourth in his individual medley events.

McKee is excited about swimming in Lawrence this week-end. His family hopes that he will be able to swim in various swim meets throughout Eastern Kansas this winter.

Also attending the State Games, are three Northwest Kansas basketball teams. The teams consists of Colby, Rexford, Brewster, Hoxie, Oakley, and Goodland students.

The Lady Rebels, 13-14 girls basketball team is coached by Elizabeth Guilfoyle of Colby. Players include Alysia Starkey, Leigh Warta, Trixie Keck, and Regina Taylor of Colby, Jennifer Rogers and Jill Barnett of Rexford, Tami Schaffer of Hoxie, Sarah Scott of Oakley, and Michele Hallagin and Chealyn Daise of Goodland.

Playing on the Western Warriors, boys 12 and under basketball team, are Drew Washburn, Jeff Starkey, Brice Dougherty, and Mitch Rohn of Colby, Jordan Reid and Clay Rush of Brewster, and Andy Short and Matt Jamison of Goodland. The team is coached by Mitch Rohn of Goodland.

The Western Hustlers, 13-14 boys basketball team, is coached by Tom Stinson. Team members include Luke Tubbs, Josh Reed and Clint Rush of Goodland, Jon Hooper, Jake Peintner of Leoti.

The State Games are a festival of Olympic-style amateur athletes of all ages and skill levels. The games are sponsored by the Government Department, Sunflower State Games, and the Lawrence Visitors Bureau.



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## Sunflower State Game Ceremonies

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Goodland well represented at State Games  
LAWRENCE, Kan. - The following Goodland athletes are pre-registered for the Sunflower State Games. The State Games will be held from Friday to Sunday, August 2-4, in Lawrence.  
Western Warriors (12 and under boys basketball team) - Mitch Jamison, coach; Andy Short, Matt Jamison.  
Western Hustlers (13-14 boys basketball team) - Jon Hooper, Justin McKee, Jake McKee.  
Lady Rebels (13-14 girls basketball team) - Chealyn Daise, Michele Hallagin.  
Individual competitors - 14 and under tennis, Lung Huang; 15-18 wrestling, Justin Dautel.

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## Area athletes to participate in games

The second Sunflower State Games open today in Lawrence.

Area athletes competing include Jenny Umholtz of Burrton in girls' basketball, Kylene Roberts of Goessel in girls' basketball, Vanessa Stucky of Halstead in girls' basketball, Clifford King of Hesston in track, Ashley Graber of Moundridge in girls' basketball, Tracy Benninga of Newton in girls' basketball, Liz Gunn of Newton in girls' basketball, Jodi Sims of Moundridge in boys' basketball, Troy Brodhagen of Newton in boys' basketball, Damon Thompson of Newton in wrestling, Kelly Ake of Sedgwick in girls' soccer, Shannon Attebury of Sedgwick in girls' soccer, Chet Roberts of Goessel will serve as a coach of a girls' 12 and under basketball team.

The games will run through Sunday.

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He will join the club Tuesday.

## Local cage squad 2-1 at Sunflower Games

By THE HAYS DAILY NEWS  
LAWRENCE — The Mr. Quick Mini Market 17- and 18-year-old basketball team of Hays went 2-1 in the Sunflower State Games boys' cage tournament Saturday.

In pool play, Mr. Quick pounded the D.C. Nuggets, 75-39, before falling to Jayhawk No. 2, 65-57.

In a consolation game between two second-place teams, Mr. Quick slipped past High Plains, 77-71.

Darren Webber, who will be a senior at Ellsworth High School this fall, led Mr. Quick with 45 points during the three games. Thomas More Prep-Marian senior Chad Creamer led the local players with 23 points, while TMP-Marian graduate Corbin Knoll — who is headed for Emporia State University this fall — had 22.

Three local wrestlers all made the finals of their respective weight classes in the Sunflower State Games' wrestling competition.

And Chad Schaffer, competing at 65 pounds in the 10-under division, came away with a gold medal.

Brothers Chris and Jeff Wente were both runners-up in their classes. Chris was second at 121 pounds in the ages 15-19 bracket, while Jeff was the silver medalist in the 14-under, 135-pound class.

## Sunflower State games to be held this weekend

The Sunflower State Games are scheduled for August 2, 3 and 4th in Lawrence, Kansas. The games feature Olympic style athletic competition and are designed to promote physical fitness. Mike Schultz, Hunter, will coach the two basketball teams of Twin Lakes All-Stars. He will be assisted by Greg Bond of Lucas. The first team is comprised of 13 and 14 year old girls. Team members are Gina Pruter, Nancy Amy Soukup and Sasha For Heather Schultz, Lincoln; Amy Sch. Holloway, Moundridge; Krystal K. Russell and Reva Russell and Reva Russell. The second Twin Lakes team is made up of 15 and 16 year old girls. Members of that team are Diane W. Ward and Heather Schultz.

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## Twenty-Three To Compete In Sunflower State Games

The Kansas State Games are a multi-sport festival of Olympic-style competition for Kansan amateur athletes of all ages and abilities. The inaugural year of this event was 1990. The games are jointly sponsored by the Governor's Council on Fitness, Department of Health and Environment, Sunflower State Games Inc., and the Lawrence Convention and Visitors Bureau. The games provide a wholesome forum for these athletes to compete within their sport/activity and obtain deserved recognition. The games are an incentive for Kansans of all ages and skill levels to develop their physical talent and competitive abilities.

The second annual Sunflower State Games will be held August 2, 3, and 4, in Lawrence, Kansas. Competition will be located in and about the city of Lawrence.

Events included in the games: basketball, bowling, cycling, fencing, golf, horseshoes, 10K road race, shooting sports, soccer, ball

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# Torch run held

A torch run to start the Sunflower State Games will be held this Friday.

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# Scott to play basketball in Sunflower Games

Sarah Scott, daughter of Ron and Sandi Scott, will be competing in the 2nd Annual Sunflower State Games held in Lawrence, Ks. Aug. 1-3.

She is a member of the Lady Rebels basketball team that was put together by Jane Keck of Colby for girls in the 13-14 age division. The team is being coached by Libby Guilfoyle and Kylie Wilson, both of Colby.

The Sunflower Games are a multi-sport festival of Olympic-style competition for Kansan amateur athletes of all ages and abilities. It is sponsored jointly by the Governor's Council on Fitness, Department of Health and Environment, Sunflower State Games, Inc., and the Lawrence Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The goals of the games are to: 1) inspire Kansans of every age and skill level to develop their physical and competitive abilities by providing state wide athletic competition; 2) encourage all Kansans to participate in physical fitness activities as a means of improving health; 3) promote an atmosphere of cooperation in amateur athletics for participants,

volunteers and sports enthusiasts throughout Kansas; and 4) Create private as well as public sector support for physical fitness and amateur athletics.

Under the rules of the games for KSHSAA compliance no more than two players from the same squad may play on the same team in the Sunflower State Games. So the Lady Rebels are made up girls from Colby, Goodland, Selden, Rexford and Hoxie. Scott is the only player from Oakley on the squad.

"Krista Schoenfeld was asked to be on the team but due to the age requirement she was ineligible to play," Scott said.

Other team members include: Alysia Starkey, Colby; Trixie Keck, Colby; Chealyn Daise, Goodland; Jenifer Rogers, Selden; Regina Taylor, Colby; Michelle Hallagin, Goodland; Leigh Warta, Colby; Jill Barnett, Rexford; and Tami Schaffer, Hoxie.

Scott said she decided to compete because she has a lot of friends who play basketball and she thought if her friends were going to go, she would go too.

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For more information on how to enter the 1991 Sunflower State Games, call or write:  
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## Torch Run kicks off Sunflower State Games

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Winter will then pass the torch to Governor George Allen. The torch will be carried into Lawrence sometime in the afternoon. Senator Wint Winter, the last leg of the race, will carry the torch to the Sunflower State Games at 1 p.m. on Friday.

Mark Cards is a major sponsor of the games. Mark Cards will be carried into the games at South Park in Lawrence. Danny Manning, basketball star, will participate in the opening ceremonies that will begin at 7 p.m.

## Scott will compete

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used to playing with so many different styles." Manning also said that it has been interesting playing on the same team as some of the girls she has competed against. "I have gone better than I thought I could," he said. "Our coach said we had to leave our egos at home. It has worked really well and we are starting to mesh together as a team." She said they will be competing with the same girls they have in school play and will definitely get to play at least three games.

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The Torch will be carried into the Opening Ceremonies at South Park in downtown Lawrence. Danny Manning, former KU basketball star, will speak at the Opening Ceremonies that evening, which will begin at 7:00 p.m.

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was been appointed chair of the state Wildlife and Parks Commission by Gov. Joan Finney.

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# Stuart wins gold

Eight year old Tanner Stuart returned from the Kansas Sunflower Games with some distinguished honors.

First Tanner was the only athlete competing in the games to bring home three gold medals. Approximately 3,500 athletes competed in the games which were held in Lawrence, Kansas.

Tanner brought home Gold Medals in the 50 meter Free Style, 50 meter Breast Stroke and 100 meter Free Style. Tanner competed as an individual at the Sunflower Games but was a member of the Grant County

Recreation Swim Team this summer where he competed in the Free Style, Breast Stroke, Butterfly, Individual Medley and swam on the both relay teams. He also holds a pool record which cannot be broken as this was the last year the pool will be used before the new pool is built.

Although the Sunflower Games are only two years old Tanner currently holds two records.

Billie Branch attended the Sunflower Games and acted as Tanner's coach for the events. Congratulations Tanner!

## Local cagers winless at Sunflower Games

By THE HAYS DAILY NEWS  
LAWRENCE — The Hays Mr. Quick Mini Market 16-under boys' basketball team went winless in three pool-play games at the Sunflower State Games last weekend. Hays suffered a 48-26 loss to the Kansas City Stars, a 48-43 defeat to a team from Emporia and a 51-45 setback to Metro Blue of Lawrence. Darren Windholz, who will be a junior at Victoria High School this fall, led Mr. Quick in scoring with 53 points in the three games.

## Manning to speak at state games

Danny Manning, former University of Kansas basketball star, will speak at opening ceremonies for the 1991 Sunflower State Games Aug. 2 at South Park in Lawrence. The ceremonies will begin at 7 p.m. and are open to the public. The Los Angeles Clippers are currently playing basketball in the number one draft slot in the 1988 NBA draft.

Lawrence chooses to make his summer home with his wife and 10 month-old daughter. The Sunflower State Games is a multi-sport festival featuring Olympic-style athletic competition for all residents of the state of Kansas. The Games give Kansas amateur athletes an opportunity to develop their physical talent and competitive abilities in an atmosphere designed to promote physical fitness and sport. For more information on how to enter the 1991 Sunflower State Games, call or write: Sunflower State Games, P. O. Box 312, Lawrence, Ks 66044, (913)749-2244.

## Area team takes second at state games

WICHITA — Chris Cox of Sedgwick County took the first feature win at the Wichita track and field meet Saturday. The win was Cox's first feature win at the Wichita track and field meet.

LAWRENCE — The Launchers, an 11 and under boys' soccer team, took second at the Sunflower State Games Aug. 2-3 in Lawrence. Team members include Bryce Kempf, Chris Conrad, Chris Roemmich, Colin Stucky, Chad Schroeder, Steve Ediger, Jeff McClelland and Nick Antoniowich. Coaches include Roy Mackey, Blake Schreck, Don Stucky and Chris Oller.

**Sunflower State Games Kick-Off**  
To kick off the Sunflower State Games, a torch run from Topoka, Kansas, will take place the morning of Friday, August 2. The torch will be carried by the following individuals:  
- State Game Captain: Steve Ediger  
- Torch Runners: Roy Mackey, Blake Schreck, Don Stucky, Chris Oller, Chris Roemmich, Colin Stucky, Chad Schroeder, Steve Ediger, Jeff McClelland, and Nick Antoniowich.  
The torch run will start in Topoka, Kansas, at 8:00 a.m. and will end in Lawrence, Kansas, at 10:00 a.m. The torch will be lit in Lawrence, Kansas, at 10:00 a.m. and will be carried to the Sunflower State Games in Lawrence, Kansas, at 10:00 a.m.

**SPORTS D.I.G.E.S.T**  
Sunflower Games Area Results  
Here are some more results from the Sunflower State Games track meet:  
- Stanbrough was first in the 400, 800, and part of the second-17 relay team in the 30-39 age group.  
- Manning was third in the 400, third in the 800 and second in the 1700-meter race.  
- Manning was also part of the 1700-meter relay team in the 30-39 age group.

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# Lincoln women excel at Sunflower Games



First place in the Sunflower Games 4x100 relay Saturday at Lawrence went to LHS alumni, left to right, Ila Balluch, Debbie Webb, Leesa Harshaw and Jo Rathbun, who entered the competition in the age 30 - 39 division.

Last week's Lincoln newspaper told that four LHS women graduates, with eyes on participating in the Sunflower Games, had gotten together a few times to polish old relay skills.

The rehearsals paid off: The four, Debbie Byarlay Webb, Jo Hartzell Rathbun, Ila Brockway Balluch and Leesa Wallace Harshaw, entered the 4x100 relay, age 30 to 39 division, and

took first place at Lawrence Saturday.

Two local individuals also placed in other events in the same age division. Rathbun took first place in the 100M hurdles; Becky Cole placed second.

In the long jump, Cole placed first and Rathbun, second.

Cole also took first place in the 100M dash.

## Clark wins three races at Sunflower State Games

Brandon Clark won three running events at Sunflower State Games last weekend in Lawrence.

Clark, 12, won the 1,500 meters in 5:38, the 800 meters in 2:35.6 and the 400 meters in 64.8 seconds.

His younger brother, Blaine, 9, finished third in the 400 meters in 77.6 seconds, third in the long jump at 11-2 and sixth in the 200 meters. No times were available.

They are the sons of Larry and Rhonda Clark of Valley Center.

### LOCAL CHIROPRACTOR ATTENDS GAMES

Dr. Mark Pick, certified chiropractic sports physician, recently returned from serving on the medical staff for the Kansas Sunflower Games. The games, held Aug. 2-4, at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, included more than 3,000 amateur athletes from around the state.

Dr. David Smith, M.D., of the Sports Medicine Institute at the KU Medical Center was medical director for the games. Smith coordinated the staff of doctors and medical professionals who specialize in the treatment of sports injuries.

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**Compete in Sunflower Games**  
Kenny Ellert, Mankato, won a big win for placing 2nd in the long jump at the Sunflower games held in Lawrence. He also placed third in the 100 meter relay.

Stacy Ost, daughter of Linda and Ed Ost, won 1st in the 440, second in the long jump and third in the 100.

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# Sports

## Both Father and Son Place

The Hammond's both Wade & his son Justin won 2nd in wrestling in their divisions at the Sunflower State Games.

By Wade Anderson  
Recently the Sunflower State Games were held in Lawrence, KS. Six athletes from Larned participated in the Sunflower State Games. Four '90 Larned graduates: John Threewitt, Jason Theis, and Shannon Purdy participated in wrestling, and '90 Larned graduate Shawn Cook participated in shot-put.

The other Larned residents were Wade Hammond, two-year coach of

the LHS Wrestling team, and his son Justin Hammond. They participated in freestyle wrestling.

The Hammonds' both won second in their age division.

In freestyle wrestling there is one seven minute period. Then there was a 15-20 minute break between the first and second round matches.

Wade Hammond was the oldest in his bracket of 19 yr. olds and up. Wade lost, to a younger and heavier

wrestler from Wichita, in the Championship match.

Justin followed his Dad's lead to a second place finish in his own bracket. Justin didn't actually follow his Dad, they both wrestled their championship matches at the same time.

Justin was in the 10 yr. old and younger bracket which had only two competitors, Justin and a wrestler from Topeka. Justin was older, heavier but less experienced than the Topeka wrestler.

The results of the three matches stood in favor of the Topeka wrestler.

In the first match Justin lost by points, in the second match he won by a pin, forcing the deciding third match, in which the Topeka wrestler outscored Justin.

The entire Hammond family went to Lawrence. The members of the family who did not participate, cheered on Wade and Justin. Wade Hammond said, "The main thing was that it was fun."

The Hammond family finished the weekend in Kansas City at World's of Fun.

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Creator, you probably won't get started unless you do it today.

### Serves on Staff at Sunflower Games

Dr. D. L. Cockerill of Scott City was chosen as one of the chief medical officers for the second annual Kansas Sunflower Games, held in Lawrence Aug. 2-4. His responsibilities included injury evaluation, treatment and transport for the softball complex at Holcomb field.

The Sunflower State Games are a three-day amateur sports festival, which included men and women's C and D division slow-pitch softball.

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# Area Boys Hit The Court For 1991 Sunflower State

Athletes from across the state joined forces to compete in the 17-18-year-old annual Sunflower State tournament recently in Lawrence, Kan. The area team, coached by Mike Weber, finished the tournament with a record of 1-2 against tough competition from across the Valley All-Star boys.

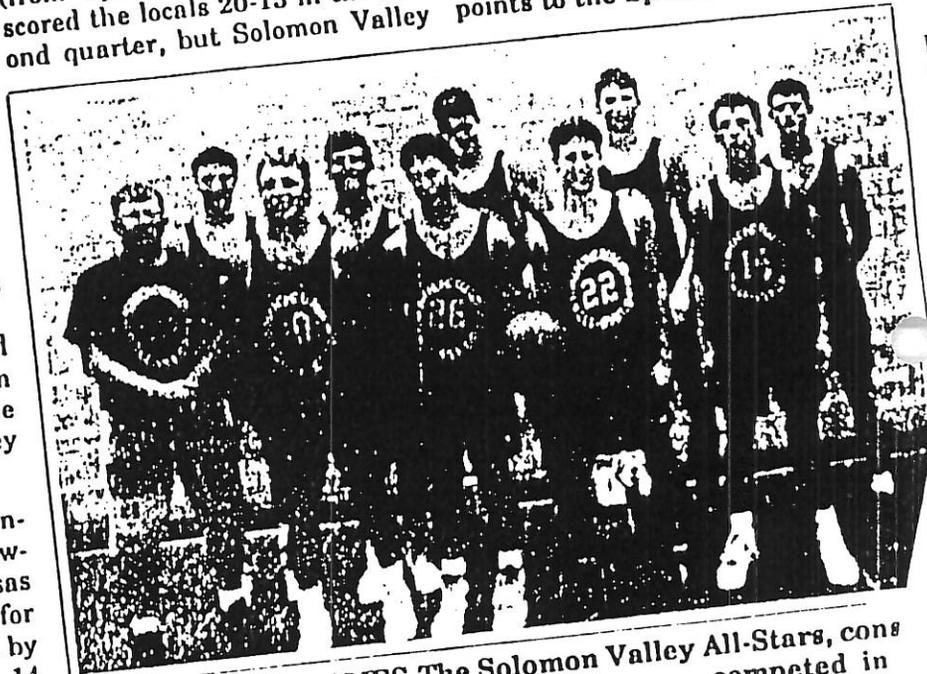
Members of the team, coached by Mike Weber of Eastern Heights, included: Jed Keeten and Jason Dresslar, Phillipsburg; Scott Bretton and Tyler Lare, Eastern Heights; Nathan DeWitt and Kyle Grunert, Logan; Adam Smith and Casey Jones, Smith Center; and Mike David, Lenora. There were 12 teams in the division, which was divided into pool play.

Weber said the area team played well against some players from bigger towns, such as Wichita. The smallest member of one team they played was 6-3.

The Solomon Valley squad opened the tourney against the Shawnee Mission Bulls from the Kansas City area. It was a good outing for the locals, but they were edged by the Bulls 48-45. Lare scored 14 points and Smith had 11 to pace Solomon Valley, followed by DeWitt with 6, Grunert 5, Jones 4, David 3 and Bretton 2.

(from Wyandotte). The Spirit outscored the locals 20-13 in the second quarter, but Solomon Valley

was still on top 27-25 at the half. Then Solomon Valley boys added 8 points to the Spirit's 5 in the low-



COMPETE IN GAMES-The Solomon Valley All-Stars, consisting of players from the Phillipsburg area, competed in annual Sunflower State games recently in Lawrence. Pictured in front of the team are coach Mike Weber, Eastern Heights; Kyle Grunert, Logan; Nathan DeWitt, Eastern Heights; Adam Smith, Smith Center; Casey Jones, Smith Center; Mike David, Lenora; Jed Keeten and Jason Dresslar, Phillipsburg; and Tyler Lare, Eastern Heights.

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# 46 ★ sports shc Utting attends Sunflower

Luke Utting, son of Stan and Kathy Uting, participated in the Sunflower State Games which were held in Lawrence, Kansas, over the weekend of August 2-4. He played on the basketball team. The team took third place in the 11-12 year old bracket. He won his first bout 16-0, pinned his second opponent and won the championship match with a 19-3 decision to earn first place honors. Qualifying to represent Kansas, Jared traveled to Hays in June to compete against wrestlers from five other states in the Southern Plains Regionals-Junior Nationals. He took first in the Greco-Roman division and placed third in freestyle. Jared wrestles for the Ottawa County wrestling team and is a member of the Kansas Kid's Wrestling Federation.

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## Rolph competes in Sunflower Games

Jared Rolph, son of Delbert and Patricia Rolph of Minneapolis, participated in the Sunflower State Games held August 2-4 at the University of Kansas, Lawrence. Jared wrestled at 90 lbs. in the 11-12 year old bracket. He won his first bout 16-0, pinned his second opponent and won the championship match with a 19-3 decision to earn first place honors.

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## SUNFLOWER STATE GAMES IN LAWRENCE

The second annual Sunflower State Games were held in Lawrence August 2-4. Over 3,000 Kansans participated in 16 different sports.

The games were kicked off with a Torch Run from Topeka to Lawrence the morning of August 2.

Governor Finney formally opened the games at 9:00 a.m. with a short speech on the north steps of the State Capitol. She then passed the torch to Judy Heimer, who

passed the torch to the first runner of the run.

The Sunflower State Games is a multi-sport festival featuring Olympic-style athletic competition for all residents of the state of Kansas. The Games give Kansas amateur athletes an opportunity to develop their physical talent and competitive abilities in an atmosphere designed to promote physical fitness and sport.

Don and Lori Thornton were in Lawrence for the State Games.

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## Sunflower games are extended 46

Registration deadline for the 2nd annual Sunflower State Games has been extended. Entry forms are now due by July 19, 1991.

The Games are quickly approaching as Kansans of all ages and skill-levels get set to compete in any of 16 sports.

The Games offer competition in: Basketball, Bowling, Cycling, Fencing, Golf, Horseshoes, 10K Road Race, Shooting Sports, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track & Field, Triathlon, Volleyball and Wrestling.

Entry books can be obtained at participating IGA Food Stores, Public Libraries, and Park & Recreation Departments in Kansas. For more information contact, Sunflower State Games at 913-749-2244

## Manning to speak at Sunflower Games' opening ceremonies

LAWRENCE — Danny Manning, former University of Kansas basketball star, will speak at opening ceremonies for the second annual Sunflower State Games. The ceremonies will begin at 7 p.m. at South Park in Lawrence and are open to the public. Manning is currently playing basketball for the Los Angeles Clippers after being number-one draft pick in 1985. Although he suffered a knee injury two years ago that next season, he should be back in action by next year.

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## Torch run to kick off local games

A torch run Friday morning from Topeka to Lawrence will kick off the 1991 Sunflower State Games.

Gov. Joan Finney formally will open the games at 9 a.m. with a short speech on the steps of the Statehouse. She then will pass the torch to Judy Heimer, president of the Kansas Association for Heath Physical Educa-

tion, Recreation and Dance which is sponsoring the torch run this year.

Other runners then will carry the torch from Topeka to Lawrence. It should arrive in Lawrence about noon.

State Sen. Wint Winter Jr. will run the last leg of the race in Hallmark Cards Inc., 10 McDonald Dr. 6-18

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# Volunteers add to Sunflower games' succ

By MICHAEL DEKKER  
J-W Staff Writer

Volunteer referees, coaches and hospitality workers for this weekend's Sunflower State Games said Saturday that they enjoy organizing competitors and helping people find their way around.

"It's fun, I enjoy it. You get to meet a lot of people," said Ann Reaney, 27, Lawrence, who was to be working in the hospitality tent at the Youth Soccer Inc. fields from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. or 8 p.m.

"I came prepared for in between the (soccer) matches. I brought newspapers, tapes and donuts."

Reaney was one of more than 250 volunteers expected to participate in the second annual Olympic-style games for Kansas residents.

This year's 16-event competition will feature between 3,200 and 3,500 amateur athletes from 90 of the state's 105 counties. Last year, about 2,500 people competed.

The competition runs through today.

**CHARLA JENKINS**, Lawrence, co-chair for drafting volunteers, said dozens of people have put in hours of volunteer work preparing for the games.

"The majority of them are local, but we have a few from other areas," she said. "They're all over town today."

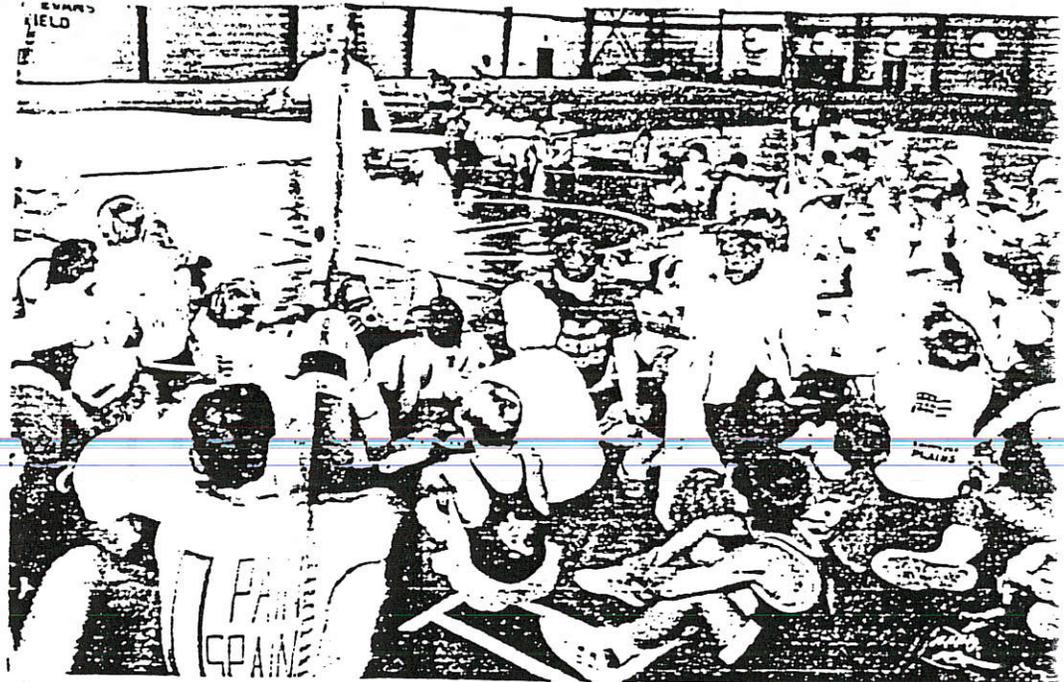
Several volunteers said they were pleased with the turnout for their events, but also said they hoped the games would continue to grow.

"I'd love to see this thing get really big," said John Akin, 50, Overland Park.

Akin, a building contractor and youth wrestling coach, is head referee for the wrestling competition being held at Anschutz Sports Pavilion at Kansas University. At least 150 wrestlers were expected to take part in the games, he said.

"It creates camaraderie and it helps the sport too," he said of the games.

"If you want to be a volunteer, it's a great thing — anything like



(Staff photos by David Doemland)

John Akin, above, talks to wrestlers before participating in the Sunflower State Games before competition Saturday. Akin, Overland Park, is the head wrestling referee. He and Ann Reaney, right, of Lawrence, are two of more than 250 volunteers assisting with the Olympic-style games.

this that will keep the kids off the street," he said.

**CARLTON LARTIGUE**, Lawrence, who is in charge of the tennis competition, said he tries to make the games enjoyable for all competitors.

"Our intent here is to make sure that everyone has a chance to play," he said.

Several people also said they hoped to promote their favorite sport by volunteering.

"I'm glad that we were able to have fencing . . . it will give us some publicity for the sport," said Greg Sandborn, Overland Park, a volunteer and primary organizer of the fencing competition, which is being held for the first time at the Sunflower State Games this year at South Junior High School.

Sandborn said he did not know about the games until his wife came to Lawrence to shop during last year's games.

"She saw fliers for it . . . and I called the director and we've

been planning a fencing competition for more than a year now."

**JANET PALMER**, a Topeka parent who was watching her son, Todd, play soccer, said she enjoyed the games because of competitors from around the state.

"It's a large competition," she said. "You never know who you're going to play."

The competition is sponsored by Hallmark Cards, Sprint United Telephone and IGA stores of Kansas.

Schedules and event information are available at the Sunflower State Games registration center, located inside Allen Fieldhouse at KU.



# Frederick gains gold

By CHUCK WOODLING  
J-W Sports Editor

Bob Frederick takes to the water like a duck. . . a wounded duck.

"That's what happens when you start swimming when you're 49," the Kansas athletic director said after completing Saturday's Sunflower State Games triathlon.

Frederick is 51 now and a dedicated triathlete after years of running in road races and marathons.

He was the oldest among 22 competitors in the long-course competition at Lone Star Lake, and he finished with the 15th best time — two hours, 48 minutes and 32 seconds.

That's not bad considering he was 21st out of the water after the one-mile swim.

"MY GOAL is to become a better swimmer so I can be more competitive," Frederick said. "I did a zig-zag out there."

When he hopped on his bicycle, Frederick was next-to-last, but he pedaled to the 15th fastest 25-mile bike ride (1:21:44) and then posted the 13th fastest 6.2-mile run (:50.31). He was the only competitor in the 50-54 age group and, consequently, earned a gold medal.

About 15 years ago, when the Kansas AD was an assistant basketball coach at Brigham Young, he took up distance running. Later, when he was an aide at Stanford, he ran in his first marathon.

Four years ago, Frederick took up bike-riding to save some of the pounding on his legs. And that led to the triathlon. Mostly shorter versions, though.

Why did he go for the long haul this time?

"I'd never swum that far before and it seemed like a challenge," he explained.

FREDERICK'S WIFE

## Today's schedule

Basketball — 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Robinson Center, Allen Fieldhouse  
Bowling — Noon to 6 p.m.  
Royal Crest Lanes  
Cycling — 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.  
Lone Star Lake  
Fencing — Noon to 4 p.m.  
South Junior High  
Horseshoes — 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Broken Arrow Park  
10 K Road Race — 8 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., Holcom Center  
Soccer — 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sherk Field, YSI Field, Robinson Field  
Tennis — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Allen Fieldhouse, Robinson Center  
Track — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Memorial Stadium

Margey and son Brad — Fredericks have three other — were on hand to cheer him the finish line.

"He's usually up at 5 to every morning," Margey Frederick said. "That way he feels it doesn't impact on family. It's hard with Bob's because he travels a lot, but tries to run or bike or swim. Some days he does all three."

"People say, 'Why am I doing this?'" Frederick smiled. "Once it's done you have a sense of satisfaction for finishing it."

So satisfied that Frederick throws one of his disciplines out the window.

"I use it as an excuse to eat the things I don't normally eat," he confessed. "I gorge on cookies and stuff like that. Have you ever had a mixture of raisins, nuts and M & Ms? I like that."

TRACY ANDERSON of Manhattan won the men's overall long course competition Saturday. Rochelle Schleich of Mission had the fastest time among the women.

The short-course winners were Ric Rosenkranz of Salina and Lynn Roberts of Lawrence.

(Staff photo by Richard Gwin)

a 25-mile ride during Saturday's Sunflower State Games triathlon. Kansas athletic director was the

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# Reed, 83, likes fun of Games

By ANDREW HARTSOCK  
W Sports Writer

There were no swimming pools in Thurza Reed's hometown of Terre Haute, Ind., for her to enjoy while growing up. The gravel pits were off-limits — too dangerous, it seems, nothing to hold on to, too deep.

Her high school had no swim team, and her college, Indiana State, had no swimming program. She nonetheless learned to swim as a sophomore at ISU and remained in Terre Haute willing to teach.

"I couldn't swim in the gravel pit until I learned to swim," said Reed. "When I came back, I began teaching all the kids how to swim."

Reed, now 83 and a nine-year resident of Lawrence, is the oldest participant in the Sunflower Games. On Saturday, she won two medals in the swimming competition at Municipal Pool.

"I was quite surprised, due to the fact that there's such a long age spread between 60 and 80," Reed said. "I had no idea. I thought

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Terry Shlstar of Lawrence competes in the 50 butterfly during Sunflower Games swimming Saturday at Municipal Pool.

(Staff photo by E. Joseph Zurgal)

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# Former Jayhawks play Games' hoops

By RICH BENNETT  
J-W Sports Writer

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Two, maybe three, former KU basketball players participated in the basketball portion of the Sunflower State Games held at both Robinson Gymnasium and Allen Fieldhouse Saturday.

There's no question Bud Stallworth, Freeman West and Doug Elstun were participants. The only question lies in whether Elstun is a former or current Jayhawk.

Elstun, who finished his degree in economics last May, said he may forgo his final year of eligibility in favor of finding a job in his field.

"I still need to talk with coach (Roy) Williams, but right now it's up in the air as to whether I'll be back," said Elstun.

Elstun transferred from North Carolina to Kansas in 1989 in hopes of finding more playing time. But after sitting out the 1989-90 season, he logged just 37 minutes in 13 games last season.

"THERE COMES a time when you've got to face reality," Elstun said. "It might be time for me to stop bouncing a ball, and start making money instead."

Elstun's team, the Pioneers, won its first game on Saturday, defeating Pressure, 70-58. Elstun had five points.

In other 19-and-over action, the Hawks — featuring West, as well as Lawrence High products Jerome Jackson, Reggie Mayo and Maurice Trotter — lost their opening game, 64-63, to Fort Riley Express. The Hawks rebounded to defeat Emporia Fox 105, 98-89.

West, who completed school in May, led his team in scoring in both games, scoring 20 points in the first game and 23 in the second.

The Hawks led in their first game by as many as 13.

"We made lots of mental mistakes," said West. "They stole a lot of our passes in the second half, and we shot the ball poorly."

West is not accustomed to poor shooting. He shot 61.3 percent from the field in the 1988-89 season, which placed him third on KU's all-time list.

WEST'S TIME is no longer consumed with basketball. Instead, he's been working on finding a job where he can utilize one of his two majors — Organizational Communication and Human Development of Family Life.

"Basketball is not that important to me anymore," said West.

Stallworth, who graduated from KU in 1972, also remains in the Kansas City area. And if Saturday's play was any indication, he still remains a force on the basketball court. Stallworth scored 44 points in a 92-76 victory in the 35-and-over bracket.

## Sunflower Game growing in popularity

Scott Paske  
Sports Writer

Sunflower State Games sports director Sid Stevens said a year hasn't changed the purpose of the annual event.

"There's still a dual focus for all of this," said Stevens, an assistant professor in Kansas State's forestry department who is helping lead the amateur-based event. "We're aiming at the high-level competitive athlete, but we're also trying to allow people to compete with others of the same age and ability."

The second annual competition will begin Friday in Lawrence with approximately 3,500 athletes expected to participate in 17 sports. The inaugural event drew 2,500 competitors from around the state.

"It has definitely grown," Stevens said. "We've really tried to spread the word and promote the concept of fun, because a lot of people probably we're a little intimidated by it when they first heard about it."

Sunflower State Games evolved from a model of amateur competition presently held in 40 other states. It was organized through a joint effort of the Governor's Council on Fitness, Department of Health and Environment, Sunflower State Games Inc. and the Lawrence Convention and Visitors Bureau.

"It was an idea that gradually came about," Stevens said. "It seemed like everyone else was doing it, so I think Kansas decided it needed to get into the act."

Lawrence is in the second of a three-year agreement as the host site of the Games. The event oper-

ated at a deficit last year, but Stevens expected it to narrow its gap in red figures with the aid of corporate sponsorship.

"We still need more sponsorship," Stevens said. "We're trying to keep from raising the entry fee on events. We think that (corporate sponsorship) will come, and we're trying to promote the event and show that it can be profitable."

Stevens said Lawrence is an ideal site for the Games, but organizers hope the event can move around the state in future years. Long-term plans, if the event can become financially stable, include regional competition that would keep athletes closer to home.

Sunflower Game Sports		
Basketball	Road Race	Tennis
Bowling	Shooting	Triathlon
Cycling	Soccer	Volleyball
Fencing	Softball	Weightlifting
Golf	Swimming	Wrestling
Horseshoes	Track	

"You really need a university town to run something like this," Stevens said. "The facilities for the events are available."

"Down the road, we'd like for people to be able to have an idea of the athletes they're going up against with the regional concept. That might eliminate any intimidation factor. It's also very hard for somebody to drive from somewhere like Colby to Lawrence to participate."

The Games include divisions for all ages, and offer competition for disabled athletes and Special Olympics competitors. Approximately 50 athletes from Manhattan have registered.

PHOTO BY SCOTT PASKE

■ Stephen Schaefer, the javelin thrower from Highland Park who won the state meet, the KU Relays and the prestigious Keebler Invitational in Chicago as a senior in 1990, threw 184-9 in the rain to finish second to former University of Arkansas' thrower Ed Kaminski in the javelin, and set a personal best (42-9) in the shot put.

"The javelin was pretty sad because it was so rainy and cold, but 84 (feet) is usually what I'm throwing lately," Schaefer said.

Schaefer went to Barton County last spring and placed eighth in the NJCAA national meet. He plans to go to Washburn this fall. Although KU doesn't have a track team, Schaefer plans keep competing unattached at area meets and perhaps help coach at Highland Park.

■ George Hoferer, 71, took home gold medals in his age division in the triple jump and javelin with a jump of 22-4½ and a throw of 87-7. Hoferer was joined in the winner's circle by senior Topekans Frank Gooding, 69, who won the 800 run and finished second in the 400 and 1,500, and Jerry Reichart, 62, who won the 100 hurdles in 24.8 and placed third in the discus and shot put.

■ Heather Sterbenz, 27, dominated women's distance running Sunday by winning the Governor's Cup 10K run in 39:58 in the morning rain. Sterbenz also brought home golds in the 1,500 and 800 runs.

■ Paul Stephens took three gold medals in the 16-18 age group by winning the 200, 400 and 800. Stephens also helped the Topeka Thunderbolts finish second in the 400 relay. Karissa Owens swept the women's sprint events taking the 100, 200 and 400 titles in the 19-29 age group.

Off the track, Jayhawks No. 1 defeated Jayhawks No. 2 91-62 in the 17-18 boys basketball championship game. Both teams practiced against each other all week and were led by the same coach, KU assistant Steve Robinson, who gathered both teams in one big huddle instead of two separate ones before tipoff.

The championship team featured recent Shawnee Heights grads Jason Beninga, Mitch McVicker and Michael Weishaar winning what may be their last game together before going their separate collegiate ways in a few weeks.

"It kind of looks that way," McVicker said about the Sunflower Games being the final drive for the BMW trio. "I'm not going to say for sure because we could do it again next year."

## Sunflower Games eye next mission

By ERIC TURNER  
The Capital-Journal

LAWRENCE — The second annual Sunflower State Games were deemed a success by both organizers and participants over the weekend, despite an early summer change in directors and morning rain on the final day of competition.

The Games, which featured 16 sports and attracted an estimated 3,300 to 3,500 entrants, was first organized in 1990 as a way to encourage physical fitness as well as giving the state's best athletes a forum to showcase their talents. Kansas became the 42nd state to hold an annual Olympic-style festival last year.

This year's games drew almost 1,000 more than the inaugural year and participation is expected to continue growing, according to Laura Kelly, a member of the Games' board of directors.

"We have lots of opportunity for growth," she said. "With the sort of grassroots support we've got across the state, I think we're going to get up there." Kelly, the executive director of the Kansas Recreation and Parks Association, pointed out that similar games in Nebraska and Missouri now draw up to 20,000 people.

Marketing for the Sunflower Games was mostly through word of mouth from those who participated last year, but Kelly said that increasing exposure and manpower for future Games depends on money.

"Having the upfront money is important, and we just have not had that," she said. "One of the things we're going to have to do is secure some major corporate sponsorship. The Games do not pay for themselves. That's probably our next major mission."

The 16 events ranged from horse-shoes, with seven participants, to soccer and basketball, with more than 900 each, and were held all over the city, requiring an estimated 750 workers and volunteers. Their efforts were coordinated by Games director Sid Stevenson, a professor of parks and recreation at Kansas State, who took over the job in June when former director Craig White resigned.

"It's just amazing how many people it takes. Considering the time-

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## Bowler perfect at Royal Crest

Elmer Smith couldn't have picked a better time to bowl his first-ever 300 game.

Smith, a 36-year-old Wichita native, rolled 12 straight strikes in match play competition Sunday afternoon at the Sunflower State Games.

"I just feel great about it," Smith said. "To accomplish that in a tournament has to be my biggest thrill."

"To do it in a great competition like the Sunflower State Games, with all those people watching, I'm really excited about it."

Smith didn't win the competition. He placed fourth in the men's scratch division. But he did entertain spectators and competitors alike at Royal Crest Lanes.

"EVERYTHING STOPPED. Everybody focused on that pair of lanes," said Smith, referring to the ninth and 10th frames.

"I heard a lot of people yelling 'Hey' and hollering after I made the last strike. My daughter's girls team was jumping up and down."

His daughter Christi and several friends were in town competing for the Wichita Commanders in the 17-and-over basketball event.

His son, Joshua, meanwhile, also participated in bowling, notching third in the junior handicap division.

"To have everybody there made it especially exciting for me," he said.

Smith, who has bowled the past 18 years, had come close to perfection before. His previous high game was 268.

"THE KEY is, you have to get past the eighth frame," he said. "In the ninth and 10th, people gather around, you start to notice 'em. Your adrenaline goes up and you don't want to goof it up. Luckily I was able to stay focused. On my last try I said 'It's you and me Lord,' and I went for it."

Amazingly, the 300 game came during Smith's first match of the day.

"I was able to practice one game before the competition," Smith said. 6-23

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# Manning welcomes athletes to Sunflower State Games

By MARK SPENCER  
KU Sports Correspondent

LAWRENCE — Former Kansas All-America Danny Manning was the featured speaker at the opening ceremonies of the second annual Sunflower State Games on Friday night.

"The Games are an important and fun experience for the people of Kansas," he said. "I would like to welcome you to Lawrence and wish you all the best in your competition."

The ceremonies ended with the lighting of the torch by 83-year-old Thirza Reed of Lawrence and 6-year-old David Foster of Bonner Springs, the oldest and youngest athletes in the competition.

The Sunflower State Games actually began Friday morning with golf and youth tennis. The remaining 15 sports begin today and conclude Sunday.

## Courts under construction

Carlton Lartique, the Sunflower State Games' tennis director, was somewhat surprised Friday morning when he arrived at the Robinson Center Tennis Courts on the University of Kansas campus.

Four of the complex's 13 courts were being resurfaced and were unplayable.

## SUNFLOWER GAMES

### Tennis

#### BOYS

Age 12 and under: Chad Glover, Lawrence, def. Seby Rocha, Lawrence, 6-1, 6-0. 14 and under: Tyler Epp, Lawrence, def. Britt Bieri, Lawrence, 6-3, 6-1.

#### GIRLS

Age 14 and under: Kathrine Wells, Overland Park, def. Rene Almeing, Topeka, 6-0, 6-0.

#### Golf

#### FATHER/SON

Age 12 and under: Ben and Sam Sheplev, Lawrence, 65. 12-15: John and Trey Tempin, Leon, 67. 16-18: Bill and Travis Stallard, Wamego, 62. 19 and over: Darin and Gary Pearson, Perry, 63.

#### MOTHER/DAUGHTER

Age 19 and over: Julie and Marina White, Council Grove, 70.

#### MIXED

Age 12 and under: Lu and Michael Lloyd, Emporia, 74. 12-15: Dona and Marsh Stubbenhofer, Emporia, 73. 19 and over: Karen Loudon, Leawood, and Julie Seitter, Olathe, 72.

#### HUSBAND/WIFE

Open: Bob and Rose Jennings, Holton, 75.

"We didn't know until this morning about this," he said. "They have a lot of courts over there, so it shouldn't bother us. I hope."

As it turned out, nearly all of the youth tennis tournaments were completed despite the missing courts. No delays are expected in the adult tournaments today and Sunday.

## Winner No. 1

The first person to claim a victory in this year's Sunflower State Games was 14-year-old Tyler Epp of Lawrence.

Epp defeated Lawrence's Jeff Dillon 6-0, 6-0, in the first round

of the boys 14-and-under tennis singles at the Allen Field House tennis courts.

"If I win the Sunflower Games, then it will be something to remember," Epp said after his match.

If he is true to his word, Epp will remember the first victory of the 1991 Games. He swept four straight matches and claimed the 14-and-under championship.

## Dunk the cookie

At the Orchards Executive Golf Course, competition took a backseat to companionship.

Players were grouped into parent-child and husband-wife teams. Both players teed off on each hole, selected the best ball and then alternated shots.

"This is only the second or third time we've played together," said Mike Everett of Lawrence, who was playing with his 10-year-old son, Kurt. "We're just here to have a good time."

Lu Lloyd and her 12-year-old son, Michael, of Emporia, Kan., decided to enter the golf competition after Michael's soccer team entered the Sunflower State Games.

"We play together all the time," Lu said. "The only problem is I feel like an Oreo cookie. I'm sandwiched between his good shots."

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...you know how it is with children  
...me." he explained with a sigh.

...and it really was a great thrill to  
...play here."

# 3,300 entrants at Sunflower Games

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LAWRENCE — Strong competi-  
tion mixed with a touch of camarad-  
erie characterized the first full day  
of the Sunflower State Games, a 16-  
day Olympic-style festival for  
residents of all ages and  
abilities. ac-  
cording to  
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tor Sid Ste-  
venson. In  
its sec-  
ond year, the Games drew an esti-  
mated 3300 entrants — up 800 from  
last year — in events ranging from  
baseball to basketball.

## Sunflower State games

Most of the comments so far  
have been pretty positive." Steven-  
son said. "I'm certainly pleased with  
the camaraderie that we have be-  
tween the athletes here, more so  
than in high school or college. It's  
as much cooperation as competi-  
tion and that fits in ideally with  
what we're trying to accomplish.  
I always like to stress that  
it's something for all ages. It's  
just for the best quality athletes.  
We are competition levels for ev-  
eryone."

The newly added sport of swim-  
ming best showed Stevenson's point  
as entrants ranged in age from 6-  
year-old David Foster of Bonner  
County to 83-year-old Thirza Reed  
of Lawrence. Reed competed in the

50 backstroke, the 50 breaststroke,  
and the 50 freestyle and took home a  
silver and a bronze medal in the  
over 60 women's division.

Reed said she has been swimming  
competitively for only four years  
and just returned from the National  
Senior Olympics in Syracuse, N.Y.

"I didn't feel like putting on much  
speed, but I felt comfortable today,"  
said Reed who serves on the Govern-  
or's Commission for Physical Fit-  
ness. "I'll be back next year if I feel  
as good as I did today."

Topekan Marie Kreipe, 72, won  
three gold medals in over-60 competi-  
tion in what was for her a relative-  
ly easy meet. Kreipe, who teaches  
swimming almost every day at  
home and at Washburn, is usually  
among the top ten swimmers in the  
nation in the 70-74 division. The  
grandmother of 11, Kreipe says she  
competes about once a month and is  
going to the U.S. Masters Swimming  
Long-Course Championship in two  
weeks in Elizabethtown, Ky.

Basketball proved to be the most  
popular sport in this year's games  
with 942 entrants comprising almost  
100 teams in 10 age divisions.

"This was a lot bigger and had  
better teams than any tournament  
this summer. It's ten times better  
than last year," said Washburn's  
Todd Alexander who teamed with  
Emporia State rivals Eddie Wil-  
liams and Ty Baumgardner for Em-  
poria.

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# LHS' Sherer wins singles, doubles at Sunflower Games

## Pioneer wins singles in straight sets, teams with LHS grad Mathis in doubles

Jesse Sherer, who will be a  
senior this year at Leavenworth  
High, won the singles and doubles  
at the Sunflower State Games last  
weekend in Lawrence.

Elsewhere at the Games, Gregg  
Buehler of Easton won a wrestling  
gold medal and Christopher King  
and Diana Nelson of Leavenworth  
each won silver medals in bowling.

Sherer won four matches to  
capture the singles title and teamed  
with Steve Mathis, a 1987 LHS  
graduate, in doubles.

Sherer defeated Jim Irick 6-4,

7-5 in the semifinals and topped  
Todd Chappel 6-3, 6-3 in the final.

In doubles play, Sherer and  
Mathis won their semifinal match  
in straight sets and took three sets  
to win the finals.

Buehler was the middleweight  
wrestling champion in the 8-and-  
under age division.

King, 8, took second in junior  
boys singles. Nelson, 16, was  
runner-up in junior girls. They  
advanced to the finals via a sta-  
ple ladder competition. Nelson rolled  
scratch 192 in the finals and King  
bowled 102.

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# Fencing set for Sunflower debut

## Fifteen to 20 fencers expected to compete in Games

By ANDREW HARTSOCK  
Sports Writer

There's something primal, something primal about the sport of fencing. It's something that's been around for a long time. That's why he first got involved in the sport and why he is selling it throughout the state.

"It's fast and exciting," said Sandborn, fencing commissioner of the Sunflower State Games. "It's tremendously exciting to be facing somebody who's pointed at you. It puts you on edge, and you're thinking, 'I've got to use that weapon. He can get me killed with swords; I used to get killed with swords.'"

"And it's great for kids," he added with a laugh. "I tell them not to go around with swords, but they could put an eye on them properly. You get them properly outfitted with a mask and jacket and somebody else gets a mask and jacket. Kids get a mask and jacket. Fencing is one of the great sports."

ing its debut in the Sunflower Games, which runs Friday through Sunday at sites throughout Lawrence. Horseshoes and swimming were also



added to the Games in its sophomore year.

Sandborn said he expects from 15 to 20 fencers to participate on Saturday and Sunday at South Junior High.

"THAT'S ABOUT right for the first

year," he said. "We expected it to be a little smaller for the first year. But the people that participate this year will go back and tell people in their own clubs. It will grow."

A defective scoring machine forced the sabre competition to be canceled. Lack of interest forced the mixed team foil competition to be canceled.

"It was unfortunate we didn't get enough competitors for the mixed team," Sandborn said. "And I was particularly disappointed we won't have the sabre event. It's much more exciting to watch. Unfortunately, we're a small division. We're like a third-world country out here in terms of fencing."

Like the fencing, horseshoe pitching suffered from low interest. Commissioner Sam Adame said he expected 10 or 11 horseshoe pitchers.

"Horseshoes have not been very active in Lawrence," Adame said. "It's pretty big in Topeka and Leavenworth. But we'll do all right."

The pitching competition likely will

take place on Sunday on the courts at Broken Arrow.

"Those are nice courts, probably the best in the state," Adame said. "The low turnout is disappointing, but it's our first year. Horseshoes is not a spectator game, but it's a good game. It's growing."

SWIMMING, the other first-year event, will have about 100 competitors.

"We were hoping for about that many," said Mike Malone, co-commissioner of the event with Steve Grant. "We sent the information to all the swim clubs in Kansas."

The Lawrence Aquahawks will send 35 swimmers, Malone said, and about two-thirds of the participants are 14 years old or younger.

"We'll have a few real good swimmers here," Malone said. "The number is just about right. We'll be able to get it done in good shape, and they won't have to wait around in the hot sun all day. We were concerned about that."

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# Cooler weather helps brighten day

By MARK SPENCER  
Special to The Star

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## SUNFLOWER GAMES

**LAWRENCE** — Thirteen different sports began competition at the Sunflower State Games on Saturday, but nearly every one had something in common.

For most of the day, the weather was 10-15 degrees cooler than it was on Friday, making for more pleasant competitions and less work for the Sunflower State Games' medical staff.

"Things sure have been slow," said games medical staff member Joe Sutton of Ottawa. "The weather has sure helped. There haven't been many heat-related problems."

The games end today with the championship rounds of tournament events and a 10-kilometer run.

### Oldest competitor

The oldest competitor in the games, 83-year-old Thirza Reed, finished fourth in the 65-and-over 50-meter freestyle at the Lawrence Municipal Pool.

"It was a hard decision to enter because I usually swim in the Senior Olympics, where they have five-year increments," she said. "Here, it's 60 and over, and I'm 83. I guess it gave me incentive to keep training."

### Hawks lose to Express

Former Kansas forward Freeman West scored 20 points, but his team, the Hawks, lost 64-63 to the Fort Riley Express in the men's 19-and-over basketball tournament.

The score was tied 63-63 when West was called for a reach-in foul on the Express' Ruben Murphy with 4 seconds left.

Murphy hit the front end of the one-and-one and sealed the victory.

"I was going to take the charge but..." West said with a smile.

West was playing with a team comprising mostly Lawrence High School players.

"It's not all about winning and losing," West said. "I don't see it that way anymore since I don't play for KU. It's all about having fun and staying in shape."

In an interesting match-up today, West and the Hawks play

### Referees in training

It might have looked more like a zebra convention, but it was actually a look at the many volunteers at the games.

The Kansas Collegiate Athletics Conference and the Kansas Junior College Collegiate Conference sponsored a clinic that offered the games about 100 free referees in exchange for game-type situations.

The referees lined the four courts at KU's Robinson Center and switched in and out on all dead balls.

"The main thing is it gives them some valuable court time," said Don Ward, commissioner of the Chisolm Trail League and one of the directors of the clinic. "The games needed officials, so this was the perfect match."

### Quick victory

One of the quickest victories in the games happened in the wrestling competition.

Mark Anderson of Wichita defeated Michael Meadors of Olathe in 33 seconds in the open division.

"It's been 10 years since I did this," the 35-year-old Anderson said. "I've got two boys of my own doing this so I figured I better show them I could still do it, too."

### Fields a safety concern

Al Nash, the games' soccer director, was breathing a bit easier late Saturday afternoon.

Nash and other officials were concerned about players possibly twisting their ankles in large cracks that had developed in the middle of the Youth Sports Incorporated soccer fields west of Lawrence.

No injuries had been reported at the YSI fields, although about 750 athletes played on them.

"The condition of these fields only improves when it rains or when some kind of irrigation is brought out here," Nash said. "There was one field that was really bad, but we put enough sand on it to make it safe."

The only known injury...

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### Dudley wins three golds at State Games

Leavenworth's Leslie Dudley placed first in the 100- and 200-meter dashes and the long jump in the 13-15 girls age group last weekend at the Sunflower State Games in Lawrence. Dudley added a fourth-place finish in the open 400. Krissie Sanders was first in the long jump and 200 and second in the 100 in the 11-12 girls group. Randy Strano was second in the shot put in the same group. Jodi Volski was on a 400-meter relay team that finished second in the 13-15 girls group, and was third in the open 400 and fourth in the 200. Chris Garret, in the under-10 boys competition, was first in the 100 and second in the 200.

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# Rain makes final day's events hectic

**Some sports move inside. Others altered because of conditions.**

By MARK SPENCER  
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LAWRENCE — A steady rain Saturday night and Sunday morning altered but did not cancel some events on the final day of the second annual Sunflower State Games.

The conclusion of the tennis tournament was moved indoors to the Avamar Tennis and Swim Club, the cycling course was shortened for some athletes because of slick roads, and the pole vault and triple jump were moved to KU's Anschutz Sports Pavilion.

Games director Sid Stevenson said all events were completed by Sunday night with the help of several volunteers.

"The only hesitation I have is if I start naming names, I'll forget someone, but our volunteers were great," he said.

### Slim when wet

The cycling competition at Lone Star Lake was of special concern to games organizers

because the hilly 5-mile course had two hairpin curves that were especially dangerous when wet.

Members of the games' medical staff positioned themselves throughout the course, but only only three cyclists fell, and they were able to remount their bikes and complete the course.

"I started breaking on the down hills just as we started our descent because my brakes were really getting wet," Frank Robison of Girard said. "It was a tough course, but at least the road was in good shape. There were no potholes."

### Rain reduces 10K field

The weather apparently was enough to discourage more than half of the runners that had preregistered for the Governor's Cup 10-kilometer road race.

About 60 runners braved the rain in T-shirts and jogging shorts long enough to complete the puddle-plagued course.

"I like running in the rain, so it didn't bother me," said Barbara Wood of Atchison, who won the gold medal in the age 45-49 female competition. "My glasses fogged up, but that was really the only problem I had."

### Kaminski wins javelin

Ed Kaminski of Shawnee, who competed in the World University Games last month in Sheffield, England, easily won the men's javelin with a throw of 220 feet, 6 inches at KU's Memorial Stadium.

"Under the conditions, I'm happy," Kaminski said. "With the rain, you could slip, tear a groin, hurt your back. Anything could happen. I'm just glad I'm not hurt."

### Hat trick in soccer

In 16-and-under boys soccer, Stu Vance of Lawrence's Force 75 scored three goals in a victory over Tonganoxie Stew.

"I guess I was in the right place at the right time," he said. "It was pretty outstanding for me."

Vance is the son of Doug Vance, Kansas sports information director, who is in Cuba serving as a press officer at the Pan American Games.

"He says its OK," the younger Vance said. "They finally got toilet seats on their toilets yesterday."

### Defense not always there

In an exciting finish, Carlton Oil

and Gas from the Wichita area beat the Wizards from Overland Park and Olathe 80-79 in the men's 19-and-over basketball final.

The action was extremely physical, with the Wizards' 7-foot Peter Martin, a senior-to-be at Mid-America Nazarene, getting banged underneath the boards by three or four Carlton players every time he touched the ball.

The Wizards held a 79-78 lead when Martin swatted Carlton's Brent Bahner's shot out of bounds with 1 second left. Bahner, however, was unguarded on the in-bounds pass and scored from 3 feet away.

"We were out of timeouts, and I realized no one was guarding me," Bahner said. "I just dived at the basket, and the ball was right there."

### KC team blitzes opposition

Perhaps the most dominating team was the Kansas City 76ers, a 12-and-under boys basketball team.

The 76ers defeated their opponents 48-15 in the semifinals and 57-25 in the final. The team was even more impressive in an early-round game, winning 108-9.

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cause of a prior commitment.

### Lansing youth swims to 3 medals

Lansing's Paul Ericson won three medals last week in the swimming competition at the Sunflower State Games in Lawrence.

Ericson, competing in the 13-boys age division, placed second in the 100-meter freestyle and 100-meter backstroke, and third in the 100-meter breaststroke.

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## Stallards repeat in golf

# Wamegoans compete in <sup>46</sup> Sunflower Games

Several Wamego residents fared well last weekend in the second annual Sunflower Games at Lawrence.

Bill and Travis Stallard repeated as champions of their division in golf competition; Bill Trimmell placed first in his division in running long jump and second in shot put; and John Skuban placed third in his division of the five-mile bike race.

Although the Stallards were the only competitors in their division, their combined score of 62 (even par) in the father-son 16-18 competition was the lowest total of the 25 pairs of golfers in the Sunflower Games.

Each member of the two-player teams teed off on each hole. Then they selected the best tee shot and alternated shots until the hole was

finished. Par is 31 at the nine-hole Orchards and each team played the course twice.

"Last year we came to play for fun and we happened to win," Bill Stallard said. This year we pointed to the Games and wanted to win. We knew about the format from last year. It just comes down to concentration and, like any golf game, getting the ball to the hole."

Trimmell was also in his second year of competition in the Sunflower Games, competing in the 70-75 age division. His throw of 36-4 in shot put was two feet farther than last year's effort. The competitor who won the division took first in nationals, beating a former-Olympic champion.

Skuban, age 12, won a bronze medal in the 10-13 age division of the five-mile bike race.



*Bill Trimmell, Wamego, won his division in the running long jump and placed second in the shot put at the second annual Sunflower Games at Lawrence.*

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### FORT LEAVENWORTH TRAVELING SOCCER CLUB

The Fort Leavenworth Traveling Soccer Club will be holding tryouts for the fall season as well as selecting teams to compete in the Sunflower State Games.

Tryouts and open kick-arounds will be held starting Monday until Aug. 2 on a nightly basis at the fields behind the post theater on Fort Leavenworth.

The FLTSC is a premier competitive level program that serves the Leavenworth, Lansing and Fort Leavenworth communities. Teams will be formed in the following age divisions:

- Under 10 boys and girls — born on or after Aug. 1, 1981.
- Under 12 boys and girls (Aug 1, 1979 cutoff date).
- Under 14 boys and girls (Aug. 1, 1977).
- Under 16 boys (will not play until spring, Aug. 1).
- Under 17 boys (will not play until spring, Aug. 1, 1974).
- Under 19 boys (will not play until spring, Aug. 1, 1972).

All players interested in trying out for the fall or spring seasons with the FLTSC should contact Teri Siems at 682-6493.

### LANSING

The Lansing Parks and Recre-

Olathe Blue Devils fourth at State Games  
 The Olathe Blue Devils 12-year-old boys basketball team finished fourth at the Sunflower State Games in Lawrence. The Blue Devils defeated Concordia, 49-22, and Hiawatha, 89-20, to qualify for the semifinals. The Blue Devils then lost to teams from Collier, Andrew Fr. Meireis, Thomas Fr. Turner, Scott J. Jones, Nate P. Odomsack.

### D'Feeters win two of three at State

The D'Feeters won two of three games this weekend at the Sunflower State Games, but missed qualifying for the semifinals. The D'Feeters defeated Emporia, 4-0 and Lawrence, 3-1, but lost to Topeka, 1-0. Against Emporia Paul Lindblade, Chris Gorrell, Ricky Schmitz and Paul Arnold scored goals. Against

Lawrence, John Stealey and Lindblade for D'Feeters. Topeka started from an indirect. Zack Stoneking, Jen Justin Janeway, Brian McAuliffe, Florrie and Lindblade had assists in the tournament and coaches cited both Andy Ziebell and David Waterman for outstanding play.

### Spirit boys second in Sunflower State Games

The Olathe Spirit boys premier soccer team reached the finals of the Sunflower State Games in Lawrence last weekend before suffering a 4-3 overtime loss to Nill Brothers.

The Spirit defeated Air Capital 77 Bruisers, 4-0, the Topeka Tigers, 4-0, the Manhattan Optimists, 11-0, and the Eclectics, 3-0, to reach the finals.

play in the final game. Members of the team, selected from tryouts last month, are Jermain Casey, Keith Collier, Curt Ficken, Kevin Fuester, Mike Higgins, Eric Howell, Doug Jones, Jason Klepac, Celio Latore, Eniak Mpwo, Brad Papa, Travis Poland, Tim Stealey, Phillip Stephens, Tim White, Dominick Wright and Scott Ziebell. Coaches are Rodney Stephens, Ervin Wright and Jim

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SCHEDULE TODAY

Basketball — 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Allen Fieldhouse, Robinson Center

Bowling — Noon to 8 p.m., Royal Crest Lanes

Fencing — 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., South Junior High

Horseshoes — 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Broken Arrow Park

Soccer — 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Shenk Field, YSI Field, Robinson Field

Softball — 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Holcom Complex

Swimming — 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Municipal Pool

Tennis — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Allen Fieldhouse, Robinson Center

Track — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Memorial Stadium

Trap shooting — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cedar Hill Gun Club

Triathlon — 7 a.m. to noon, Lone Star Lake

Wrestling — 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Anschutz Pavilion

SUNDAY

Basketball — 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Robinson Center, Allen Fieldhouse

Bowling — Noon to 6 p.m., Royal Crest Lanes

Cycling — 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., Lone Star Lake

Fencing — Noon to 4 p.m., South Junior High

Horseshoes — 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Broken Arrow Park

10 K Road Race — 8 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., Holcom Center

Soccer — 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Shenk Field, YSI Field, Robinson Field

Tennis — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Allen Fieldhouse, Robinson Center

Track — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Memorial Stadium

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