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## PREP GOLF

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### AA-OVAC Championship

Wheeling Central 311, Bridgeport 342, Steubenville Central 343, River 366, Toronto 363, Southern Local 433, ShadySide NS, Clay-Battelle NS  
W — Wenzel 65, Straughn 74, Caranbauer 84, Harrison 88. B — M. Herink 73, K. Herink 84, Nowakowski 88, Sommer 97. SC — Wells 75, Toricelli 85, Rest 89, Connor 84. R — Curtie 73, Thompson 87, Brown 97, Aleman 98. T — Carducci 85, Suffoletta 86, Smith 90, Kelly 102. SL — May 95, Boyie 107, Patterson 110, Garner 121. S — Palmer 90, Edgar 86, Vaughn 122. C — Barr 111.

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(at Oglebay Park's Spiedel Course)  
Team Scores: Meadowbrook, 325; Steubenville, 371; Harrison Central, 374; Buckeye Local, 378; Edison, 378; East Liverpool, 402; St. Clairsville, 414; Union Local, 433; Weir, 458; Oak Glen, 530.

M — Singleton, 77; Hewison, 81; Webster, 83; Rogers, 84; Ste — Mastro, 82; Seditz, 89; Herring, 88; Krause, 102; H — Heavilin, 87; Capers, 88; McIntosh, 90; Sloan, 108; B — Ring-Fish, 92; Anderson, 92; Holzopfel, 95; Lollathin, 99; Ed — Moore, 80; Pugh, 92; DeFrank, 97; Higga, 99; EL — Tambellini, 89; O'Hara, 88; O'Hara, 105; Orin, 110; St.C — Yucelich, 88; Jeffries, 88; Robinson, 108; Roscoe, 132; U — Britton, 92; Smith, 100; Hezoucky, 118; Gatti, 123; W — Wodnicki, 94; Fedoush, 115; Tustin, 118; Simich, 129; O — Cline, 117; Chappell, 119; Blake, 134; Ridge-way, 160.

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Tyler — Noah Miller, 85; Cheyenne Morris, 83; Gavin Morris, 112; Caleb Boley, 115.

Martins Ferry — Chuckie Schau, 98; Thomas Orzolek, 100.

#### All-OVAC Team

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#### Class 5A

(at Oglebay's Jones Course, Par 71)

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Wa — Ward 78, Hapney 79, Jankauskas 82, Dennis 88

U — Stansberry 74, Wood 77, Bashour 85, Mulhall 86

WP — Nickell 78, Payne 78, Jordan 88, Romanek 85

C — Feldner 81, Smith 82, Ray 86, Allen 82

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Br — Spitzak 80, Shelton 89, Cuomo 83, Pennybacker 84

J — Pettit 87, Patello 80, Campbell 84, Sprowle 88

M — Wiseman 91, Konchesky 81, Kline 83, Petty 84

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## OVAC Golf Championships



**AT LEFT:** Harrison Central's Clint Heavilin tracks his tee shot on the 12th hole during Tuesday's OVAC Class 4A tournament at Oglebay's Jones Course. **BELOW:** St. Clairsville's Brendan Vucelich follows through on his tee shot on the 10th hole at the OVAC Tournament.

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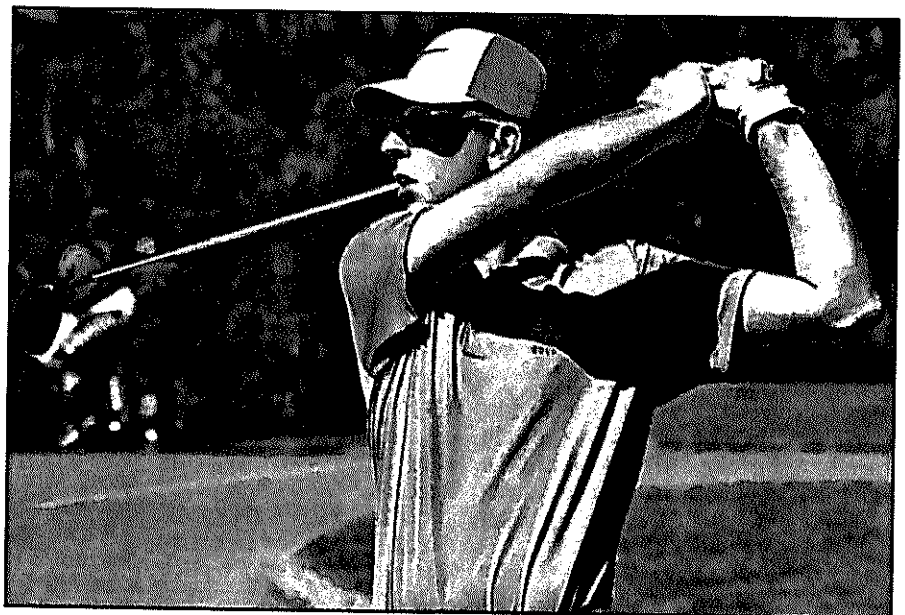
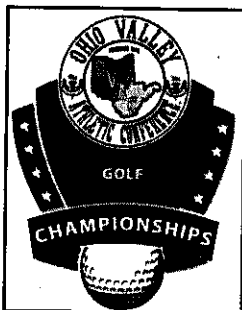
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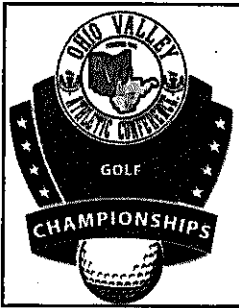


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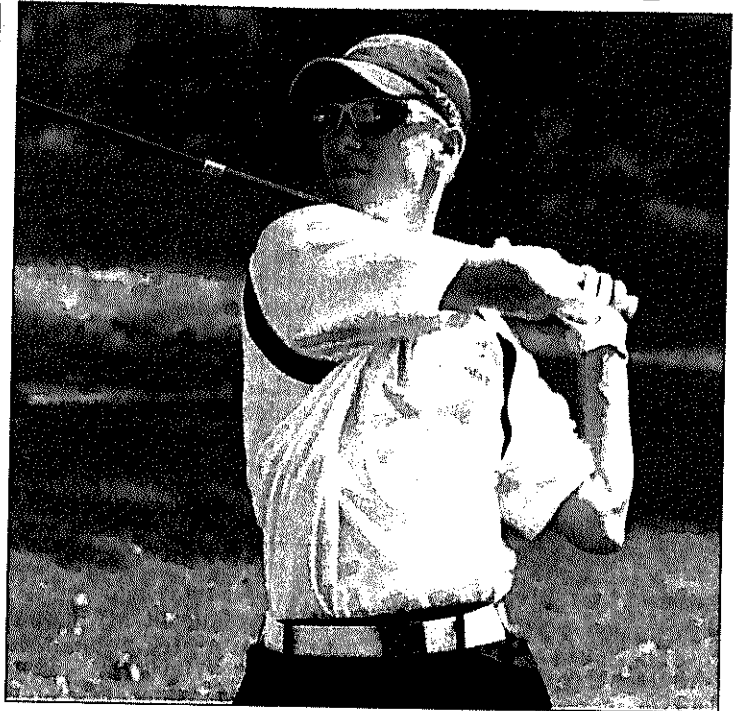
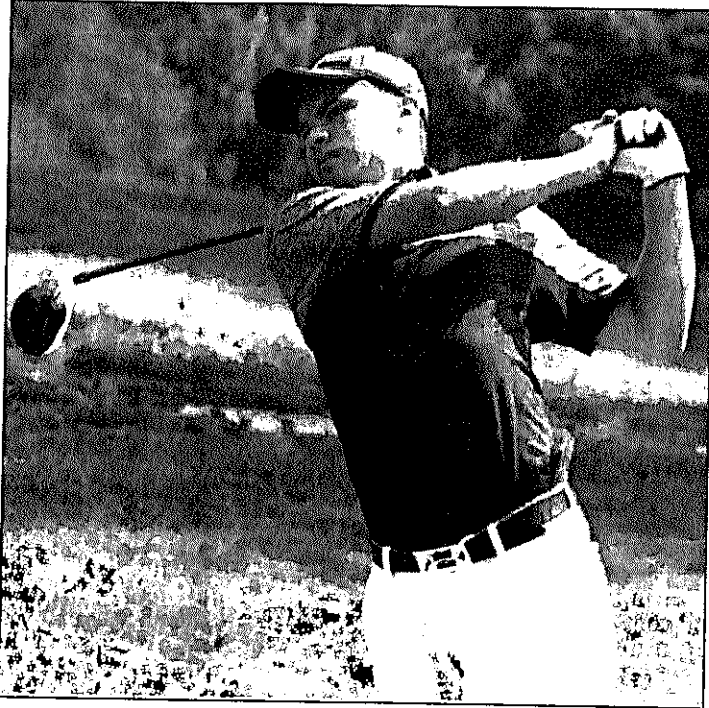
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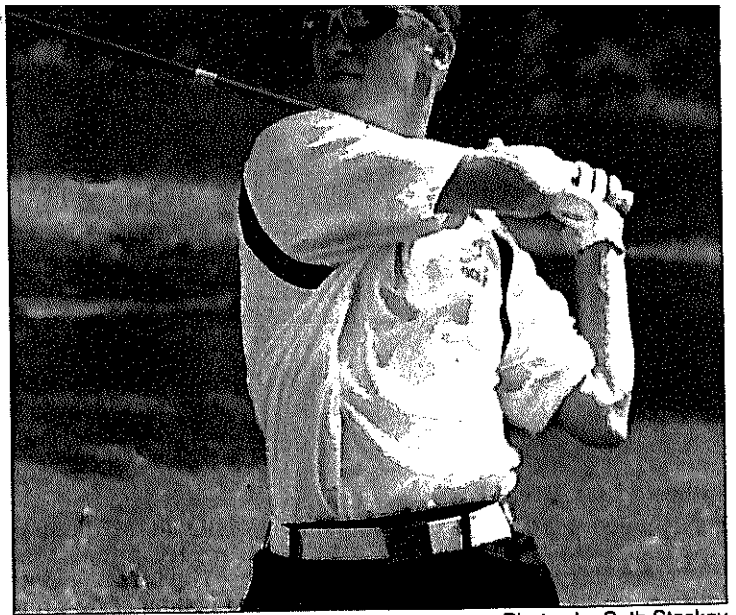
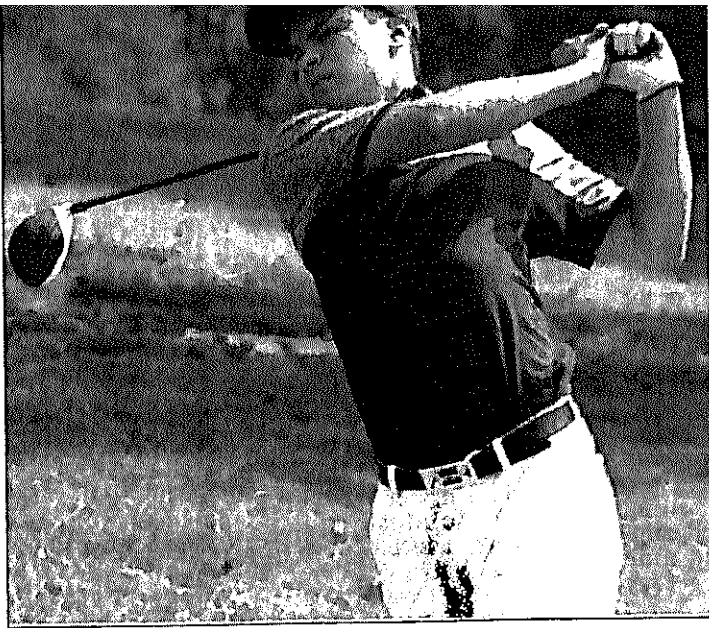


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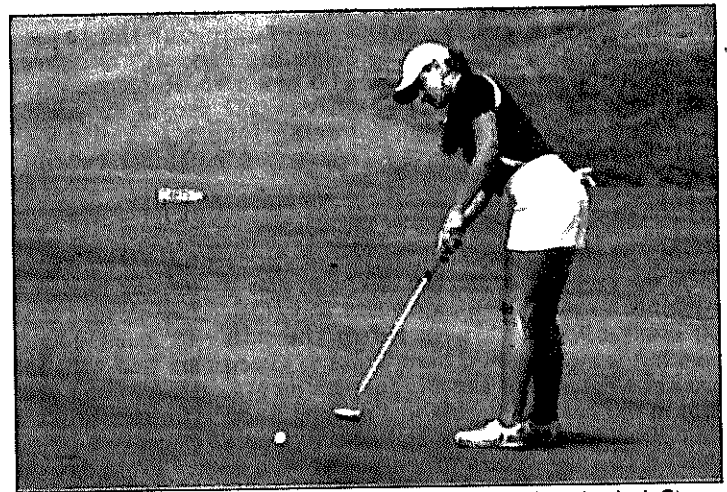


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John Marshall's Kailey Pettit putts during the 5-A OVAC Championship on Thursday.

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"They fought through adversity all day and that is something we always talk about get-

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This game is hard enough, and trying to stay mentally

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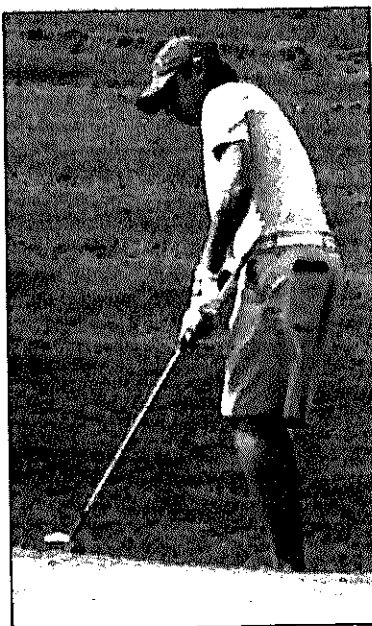


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Wheeling Park's Jacob Nickell attempts a chip.

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They finished with a 316, which was 12 shots clear of runner-up Linsly. Barnesville finished third with a 333.

"Peyton Moore is a special golfer and when you're able to get on the board with a number like he posted, it really helps you out," Magnolia coach Dave Tallman said. "We've had some ups and downs from some of our kids this year, but all of them put together pretty good rounds (Thursday)."

Along with Moore's score, he was joined on the All-OVAC Team by Trey Blain, who posted a round of 77. Drew Herrick (82) and Olivia Mensore (89) rounded out the scoring for the Eagles.

"Our kids have continued to get better," Tallman said. "I give Drew Herrick a lot of credit for shooting that 82 because he had broken arms this summer and came back to in August to play."

The runner-up Cadets placed Charles Machiko and Corey Smith on the all-OVAC team with rounds of 78.

Barnesville produced the tournament's overall runnerup in Davey Wells. He shot a 1-over, 72. Included on his card was a 1-under 34 on the backside of the course.

(Tigers to victory with 26 assists and five kills, while Macey Coffland generated 11 points and four blocks, Mackenzie Osman garnered eight kills and Kelsey Chimley added six aces for Shadyside (7-4).

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focused, mentally tough and having a positive attitude even if something goes bad."

Warren, led by junior runner-up medalist Nick Ward's 76, outpaced second place and defending champion University by seven strokes. The Hawks shot a 332. Wheeling Park came in third place with 339.

"We had shot 327 earlier this summer and I just wanted my kids to focus on what they can do, what they can control," Evans said. "One shot at a time and make sure we don't leave ourselves in bad positions."

"I have three seniors that came in as freshmen that I knew would be pretty good and they just worked their tails off. This just goes to show what hard work does. They love playing the game and they play a lot of tournament golf. It's great to come to a great golf course like this and do well."

Rounding out the Warriors' scores were Max Hapney with a 79, Josh Jankauskas with an 82 and Kyler Dennis with an 88.

While the Warriors came away with the trophy that belonged to University last season, the Hawks didn't go home with just the runner-up plaque.

Chris Stansberry, who finished runner-up last season, shot the tournament's low round, a 74 that included an even-par 35 on the back nine.

"It feels really good to get medalist after runner-up and it gives me good confidence going into regionals at Preston," Stansberry said. "I've played this course a

lot the past two years and I'm getting used to it a little bit. My putting and chipping were pretty good. Missed nine greens, but it is what it is. Got to get my chipping and putting game strong."

Stansberry's teammate, Jacob Wood, joined him and Ward on the OVAC All-Tournament Team.

Wheeling Park's Jacob Nickell and Ryan Payne rounded out the All-Tournament Team, each carding a 78.

"Third place is respectable," Wheeling Park coach Don Headley said. "We have been up and down all season. We've had some solid years and now we are in a learning deal. We have 11 days until the regional and that is the date we are concentrating on, to play our best on that day to make it to the state tournament. Our regional is at Preston County Country Club so we will go down there and play a little bit, try to know the golf course a little better and work hard at it."

"I was very happy with two guys on the all-tournament team. I would have liked three, but two is respectable. Jacob Nickell has been our leader all year. Ryan and Jared Jordan (who shot 88) have switched all year, one playing well one day and the other playing well the next day. I was really happy with a 78 out of (Nickell and Payne)."

Rounding out the team score for Wheeling Park was Dorothy Romanek, who shot a 95. Romanek was one of two girls to take part in the 5A Tournament, joining John Marshall's Kailey Pettit, who paced the Monarchs with an 87.