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## STATE WRESTLING CHAMPS



### MIKE GUITARD

### MIKE BLASUCCI

Mike Guitard is a broken nose behind Mike Blasucci - he has only suffered two, but he has another year to catch up. As a junior at Lely High School, Mike Guitard became the state champ in wrestling in the 109 pound division February 20. Mike and Mike are the only two state champs in wrestling in Southwest Florida.

Mike enjoys fishing, hunting, model trains, bowling and pool, but he also runs, works out, and lifts weights to keep in shape for wrestling.

If he is over 109 pounds at the weigh-in before a match, he has one half hour to lose however much he is over (one hour to lose it if he is in a tournament).

He explained how wrestlers watch their diet: not much meat right before wrestling, but lots of carbohydrates because they store energy: potatoes, bread, etc.

And wrestlers need energy! Each match lasts 6 minutes - three 2 minute periods. You can win by scoring points (a take down is worth 2 points) or by pinning both of your opponent's shoulders to the mat for 2 seconds. You might wrestle as many as 4 opponents in a meet.

An honor roll student, Mike will attend college after graduating, majoring in marine biology.

Mike also hopes to try out for the Olympics this summer, but lucky for Lely, he'll be back in the fall.

An old saying goes "If you don't have to fight for it, it's not worth having." Even after having his nose broken three times, received a concussion, bloody lip, suffering aches, pains, and starvation diets, Mike Blasucci knows it's worth it - on Saturday, February 20, he became the state wrestling champ in the 136 pound division.

A senior at Lely High School, Mike plays baseball and football, but wrestling is his favorite sport. To keep in shape, Mike runs and works out twice a day. He must watch his weight carefully. Asked how he keeps his weight down before the weigh-in, he replied "I don't eat."

The minimum weight for the wrestling team is 100 pounds. There is no maximum. But you only wrestle those in your weight group.

An honor student, Mike hopes to get a scholarship after graduating, perhaps to North Carolina State. He travels out of state in the summer attending wrestling matches set up by the AAU (Amateur Athletic Union). Mike will be in Los Angeles this summer to try out for the 1984 Olympics.

But the discipline of training doesn't keep Mike from spending time with his girlfriend, Robie Condon, who plays in the band and is on the student council.

## MR. VS. MS. PAC MAN

Pac Man has been the top money maker in local gaming parlors, but is receiving healthy competition from the brand new Ms. Pac Man. It is the policy of Kids News to

present both sides of an issue whenever possible, and so we present the following two articles: the male view and the female view.

### PAC MAN "Men are better"

by T.L. Lawrence

Pac Man (the original) is far better than any female version. For one, men were first again. Men started the craze, and we are superior.

I admit Pac Man's boards don't change after intermission but still, Pac Man is more fun. Ms. P-M's boards change (just like a woman's mind) and her intermissions tell a "love story", typical of women's games.

Also Ms. P-M needs to have the bonus food move around the board so it is easier for her to get it. You will notice the extra escape routes she needs.

Pac Man and Ms. Pac Man are just like real men and women - the men are better.

### MS PAC MAN

One small step for womankind

by Missy Cheaney

Ms. Pac Man is more clever than Pac Man - naturally. The mazes are a real test of the Pac Man pro because they change periodically, while the Pac Man mazes always stay the same. The bonus point fruit moves around the maze and is therefore more difficult to gulp down - the bonus point fruit in Pac Man is always in the same place.

Ms. Pac Man wears lipstick and a bow on the top of her head. Also the lady's color scheme is pink instead of blue.

Don't think that winning at Ms. Pac Man is going to be easy - it's more challenging than the simple Pac Man game. And if you hear that it's a sissy game compared to Pac Man, that means they didn't beat the video lady.

As the saying goes - whatever a woman does, she must do twice as well as a man to be thought half as good - luckily, this is not difficult.

# DEAR KIDS NEWS:

## ADVICE COLUMN

**Dear Kids News** - I like 2 guys - but one of them I like more than the other, but the one I don't like as much is probably going to ask me to go with him. Should I go with the guy I don't like as much, knowing I like the other guy better. Or should I not go with him and go for the guy I like better even though he might not like me as much as I like him. Signed - Confused.

**Dear Confused:** Yes P.S. - Seriously, don't tie yourself down with either one - tomorrow the perfect one will appear, and you won't be available.

**Dear Kids News** - One of my friends is really mad at me because this one guy at school really likes me (or at least acts like it). How do I tell Trixie I'm not interested in him. Signed - Dolly.

**Dear Dolly:** Say, "Trixie, I'm not interested in what's-his-face."

**Dear Kids News** - Every time I just do the slightest thing, my parents ground me. How do I make them understand I'm too old to be grounded. I'm 16. Signed - Greg.

**Dear Greg** - Make up a list of your usual offenses and recommend an appropriate and fair punishment for each one. Have a conference with your parents and negotiate a settlement for each one. Be prepared to give a little. Let us know how it turns out.

**Dear Kids News** - I like this guy a lot, but he doesn't seem to know I exist. How do I get him to notice me? Signed - Jane.

**Dear Jane** - You asked for it! (1) Wear his favorite pizza on your head. (2) Find out his favorite subject, research it, and find an appropriate time to discuss it with him - dazzling him with your knowledge. (3) Challenge him to a bowling match (or Ms. Pac Man, or swimming, etc.) (4) Forget him and look around - someone else is probably trying to get you to notice him, and you're not looking.

## GOODBYE CYNDY

Cyndy DeAugustino

From the Good News/Bad News Department: The bad news is Cyndy DeAugustino has taken a position with the Post Office on Goodlette Road (but good news for the Post Office). The good news for Kids is that Cyndy will still teach baton lessons at Fleischmann Park and help out with special events there.

Cyndy has been with the City of Naples Parks and Recreation Department since last June and has accomplished big things at Fleischmann Park. When she began, there were no organized activities, but under Cyndy's direction, there are now classes for Kids and a summer day camp. Special events during the past year include a very successful Halloween carnival with a free rock concert, an ice skating trip to Sunrise, Florida which will be repeated each year, a pool tournament, Valentine's dance with a super light show and sound system, arm wrestling tournament, frisbee contest, racquet ball tournament, foomball tournament and much more.

Fleischmann Park has been made available to other organizations such as the Young People's Theater and Kids News meetings.

Cyndy hopes there will be a monthly dance for middle school kids on up. The next one is scheduled for March 13 from 8:00-midnight. It will have a St. Pat's day theme - if you would like to help decorate, call Fleischmann Park at 263-0428. It will have "Rock with JMP" and his huge sound system.

A replacement for Cyndy has not been chosen yet, but Dick Preston at Fleischmann Park will be able to help you.

Thank you, Cyndy, for giving so much, and good luck on your new career.

## YOUTH ART MONTH

March is "Youth Art Month" and in recognition, a Collier County School Art Show will be held at the First National Bank on Fifth Avenue from March 1 - March 12. The winning entry will be selected from among high school students and will be purchased for the Collier County Administration Center.

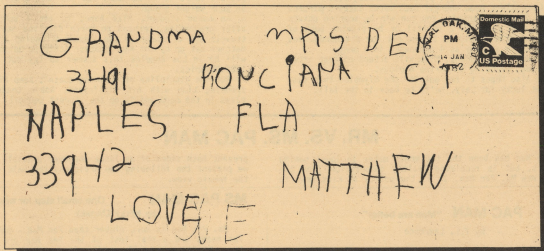
The winner will receive \$200 at the Coastland Mall Art Show on March 19 at 7:30 p.m.

Elementary and middle school students' artwork will also be displayed at Coastland Mall during the show.

## How to Address an Envelope

Matthew Evans, age 6, of St. Clair Shores, Michigan sent a letter to his grandmother, Mrs. Pat Masden of Naples.

Asked what he wanted for his birthday, Matthew sent this letter. Although addressing the envelope is kind of tricky for a 6 year old, Matthew did a great job. And the post office did a great job, too!



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Amy Bolen and her dog Sheba after the Young People's Theater Talent Show in February. Amy and Sheba performed a skit with Meg Bolen and her dog Noel.

## Like to Talk? Enter an ORATORICAL CONTEST

Oratory is the art of public speaking. An oratorical contest is when you pit your speaking ability against other people, and judges rate you on the speech you have written, how you presented it, your physical movements during the speech and how close you came to the allotted time.

The Sunset Optimist Club of Golden Gate is conducting an oratorical contest March 16 for Kids under the age of 16. You must prepare a five minute speech on the subject "You and I - and Tomorrow." You can talk about anything as long as you mention those words somewhere in your speech.

The first and second place winners will receive a medallion and continue on to the zone and district level of competition, both of which are in Naples. The winner of the state level contest in Tampa will receive a \$500 scholarship.

Talk to a captive audience! Call Mr. Wayne Scamehorn at 774-3408 after 5 p.m. to sign up, to speak up!

The contest is open to the public and will be held at the Golden Gate Community Center on March 16 at 7 p.m.

## The Numbers Racquet Game

The numbers racquet game is sweeping the country. We have put together a shorter version for Kids. See how many you can figure out. Example: 26 L of the A (26 letters of the alphabet; 60 M in an H (60 minutes in an hour.)

- 1) There are 12 G in S.
  - 2) There are 6 L in the W Naples.
  - 3) Dogs have 4 L.
  - 4) Everyone has 2 F and 10 T.
  - 5) A pay P takes only 10 C.
  - 6) Most V games take 1/4 of a D.
  - 7) A D after school takes 1/2 H.
- Give up so soon? Here are the answers:

1) 12 grades in school. 2) 6 letters in the word Naples. 3) Dogs have 4 legs. 4) 2 feet and 10 toes. 5) A pay phone takes only 10 cents. 6) 26 letters of the alphabet. 7) detention after school takes 1/2 hour.

## Your Favorite Songs

by Missy Cheaney

Since the Grammy awards were just announced in late February, we asked a few Kids what their favorite tunes are. Here's what you like lately:

- Greg Kepen - The Dukes Journey
- Chris Landherr - Centerfold
- Billy Moore - Any AC DC
- Sheila Kutis - Pac Man Fever
- Jackie Naretta - I love Rock-N-Roll
- Rita Moore - Private Eyes
- Jennifer Wolfendale - I Love Rock-N-Roll
- Chris Fox - Open Arms, Juke Box Hero
- Amy Harris - I Love Rock-N-Roll
- Lyndia Macrae - Centerfold
- Ashley Benson - Open Arms
- Lorrain Geraghty - Juke Box Hero
- Cathy Johnson - Love is Alright, Tonight, Juke Box Hero

- John - Jungle Love
- Jennifer Mills - Likes anything
- Rocky Edney - Shock Me
- Punker Paul Schmitt - Whip It
- Malcome X - Centerfold
- Bleau Lawyer - None
- Buffie Boucher - Shake It Up
- Sandy Elferdink - Sweet Dreams
- Kelly Hudson - Centerfold
- Jenna Schnebelt - Some One Could Loose a Heart

- Tonight  
 Holly Fogg - I Love Rock-N-Roll  
 Sabrina Cheaney - Leather and Lace

## POETRY CORNER

### Starlight

by Pilar Cortez

Star's bright and blue  
 High from view  
 Let your eyes be my eyes  
 sparkling and blue.

### Sunset

by Pilar Cortez

As the sunset begins,  
 It goes with colors deep;  
 Then when gone, one side  
 of the world sleeps.

### Love

by Pilar Cortez

Love is as soft as a rose,  
 but if you hold it too  
 tightly,  
 it will die.  
 Let it be as free  
 as the butterfly,  
 and love will grow  
 by and by.

### Kittens

By Sabrina Sharpe

Kittens can be lovable  
 and kittens can be mean.  
 Kittens could be dirty but  
 they keep themselves clean.

Kittens are playful,  
 kittens climb trees.

And when you rub their  
 tummies,  
 they purr with ease.

Kittens make nice pets.  
 They don't need much care.

Just feed them and pet  
 them  
 and brush their hair.

So remember just love  
 them  
 and be their friend.

And if you do that,  
 your friendship  
 will never end!

## Wanna Be On TV?

If you are interested in working on a TV show right here in Naples - by Kids and about Kids - please send a post card or letter to Kids News, P.O. Box 45, Naples, FL 33939 with your name, address, age, school and home phone number. No experience necessary, just lots of desire to learn and do.

Perhaps you want to be "on camera", or work backstage or have ideas for local Kids, people, places that would make good shows - your input is valuable. Your help is needed if we are to get our own TV show on the air.

## MY PET COLUMN

### MY PARAKEET

by T.L. Lawrence

If you have an interesting, unusually named, strange-ly behaved, or all of the above, pet, write all about it to Kids News. Send a picture if you have one. Here is the first one of a series.

I have a small, green parakeet, with a yellow head. We bought him in Miami, when my mom returned from a trip to Nassau, The Bahamas. So he was named "Nassau".

If you talk to a parakeet for hours, repeating certain words, he will eventually be able to say those words. I stress "should" because even though we said "Pretty Baby" to him for hours on end, he now thinks his name is "Baby" - but he won't say it.

Baby is very active. All he ever used to do was jump around his cage from bar to bar, to perch, to swing, to bar, etc. Then the dummy sprained his foot and he doesn't do that any more. But he does try to twist the swing off. Pretty soon he'll hurt his beak, and find a new trick.

In the meantime, since he won't talk YET (he's two years old), we may re-name him "Stupid"!



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LESLIE TOMASINO - Happy Birthday March 17 from your secret pal.

SABRINA, I love ya! from Greg, your Buddy.

GRANDMA, Happy Birthday March 10. We miss you - from all of us.

JACKIE NARETTA - I love ya - from your secret admirer.

JENNIFER WOLFENDALE - Happy Birthday March 18 from your friends Chris Fox and Missy.

MOM - Happy Birthday March 12 from Chris Fox.

PANDY JONES - Happy Birthday from your good friend Ashley.

# FEBRUARY BRIEFS

East Naples Middle School - Sabrina Sharpe reports that the school had a fund raising candy selling contest. Joyce Pool, 7th grade, scooped up the \$100 prize by selling 950 candy bars! Asked what she plans to do with her winnings, she replied: "I'm going to spend it!"

Other winners include: 6th grade - Danielle Sneed \$100, Dann Platt \$50; 7th grade second place Shannon Lee \$50; 8th grade - Stacy Anderson \$100, Paula Stephens \$50.

Area High Schools - Ken French reports that the area high school ROTC units had their biggest inspection of the year performed by two army officers from the 1st ROTC Region of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. Last year Lely and Naples high schools cross enrollment were named honor unit, meaning they were in the top 10% of all units inspected in the region.

Results of this inspection will not be announced until the end of May or first of June.

Edison Pageant of Light festivities were held in February with the Pageant of Light parade, reports Ken French. Bands representing 5 states including Naples High School celebrated the area's most famous resident - Thomas A. Edison.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUN. MON. TUES. WEDS. THURS. FRI. SAT.

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WEDS.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
<b>MARCH</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6 Young People's Theater Casting for 'Alice in Oz', Fleischmann Park 1:00 All welcome
7	8	9 Barron Collier HS Jazz Band - Coastland Mall 7:30 PM	10 Mar. 1-12 Youth Art Show at 1st Nat'l Bank, 9th Ave.	11 Pianist Rich Bosworth concert at Lely HS 8 PM '3 to benefit Lely High Band Boosters	12	13 Dance, Fleischmann Park 8-midnight 50' Jump with JMP
14 SW Fla Symphony Orch. Concert - Barron Collier HS 8 PM	15	16 Oratorical Contest - see article this issue  Royal Lizzzan Stallions, Swamp Buggy Grounds 4:30 PM Tickets at Mass Brothers	17	18	19 Marco Island Library film: 'Hey There, It's Yogi Bear' 10:30 AM  Mar. 18-26 Youth Art Show, Coastland Mall. Winner announced Mar. 19 7:30 PM	20 March of Dimes WalkAmerica 8:00 AM Cambler Park. Call Karen 774-3226 or Mary 774-4912  'Read Me A Story', Coastland Mall
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Celebrity Cake Auction, Coastland Mall 12-5  'Style For Life'. Get your hair styled. Proceeds to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, Coastland Mall	29 Fleischmann Park 8 week classes begin: dance, baton, self defense, art, etc.	30 New England Ragtime Ensemble - Lely High 8:00	31			