

# SPORTS

## LAMORINDA'S LOCAL SPORTS NEWS



### LMYA Spring Volleyball

Submitted by Gint Federas



Back Row Left to Right: Assistant Coach Jessica Henry, Olivia Klinkenberg, Lizzie Mediati, Melia Green, Laura Hickey, Maddie Bernie, and Coach Lisa Duncan  
Front Row Left to Right: Rachel Duncan, Dianna Kossakowski, Jenny Lesserman, Cassidy Fuller, Jennifer Henry

Sixteen teams of 6th through 8th grade girls competed in this year's LMYA Spring Volleyball program. Nebraska capped an undefeated 12-0 season winning the championship game on June 7.

### Griessel Takes Home the 1st Place Trophy



Griessel displays his well-deserved and large trophy

On a blue-sky day in Concord, junior golfers from around Northern California competed in the prestigious Buchanan Fields Summer Junior Golf Classic at Buchanan Fields Golf Course.

Out of all of the junior golfers, only one would be able to capture the first place

trophy. This year, Paul Griessel Jr. of Lafayette captured 1st place on Monday, June 16th in the boys 7-9 age group.

Griessel fired a 34 on the treacherous and tricky 9-hole golf course. The course has a par of 31 and features narrow fairways and large lakes surrounding the greens.

### Karate Participants Fight Through Competition

Submitted by Thomas Westernoff



The Karate & Fitness Place USA had returned home from Chico, Calif., in the first round Karate Tournament AAU National Qualifier with 29 medals. This impressive showing came after an incredible second round AAU qualifier held in Grants Pass, Ore., where the team returned with 48 medals, 21 total Gold Medals, nearly double this

last tournament. The Karate & Fitness Place USA was honored with the Most Outstanding School Award followed with Chris Wellbrook's Most Outstanding Competitor Award after winning three Gold Medals in all his individual events, a clean sweep.

All the athletes have qualified themselves to move onto the AAU Na-

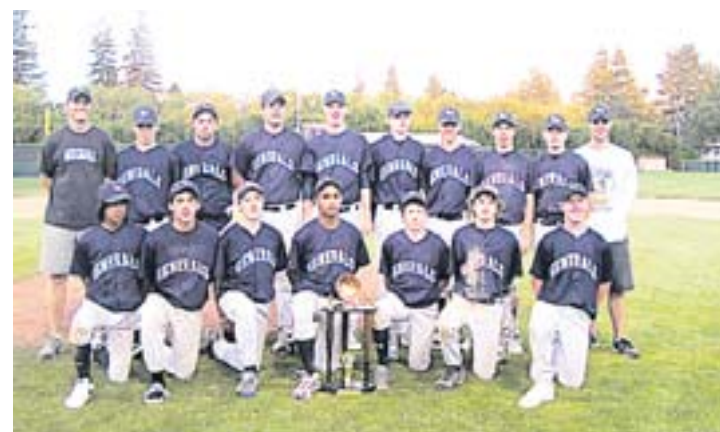
tional Karate Championships to be held in Albany, NY. The Team lead by Sensei Thomas Westernoff instills lots of practice and hard work to be successful. "This year we are in good hopes of sending Chris Wellbrook off to Rome, Italy with the Jr. AAU / USA Karate Team thanks to all his outstanding efforts," he said.

### LAMORINDA Generals Win State Championship

Submitted by Julie Diede

The Lamorinda Generals (14-U Majors Baseball Team) won the United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA) State Championship on June 7 and 8 at the Twin Creeks Sports Complex, Sunnyvale, Calif. The Generals went 4-1 in the 9 team 14-U Majors tournament, winning the Champi-

onship game against the Danville Dukes 6-3. The Generals are part of the elite Lamorinda Baseball Club organization that has consistently been recognized as one of the top teams in the country in their age group and are currently ranked No. 1 in Northern California



Back Row: (L-R) Clint Hoover – (coach), Paddy O'Brien, Eric Penrose, Tim Ellis-Calleo, James Marvel, Trent Shelton, Grant Diede, Austin Rei, Alex Rollins, Brock Griffin – (coach)  
Front Row: (L-R) Jonathan Gee, Bobby DaMaren, Spencer Henderson, Todd Burgos, Cole Rider, Connor Hornsby, Andrew Eggers

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