Batten captures \$500 scholarship at SP/CD Junior Classic

C.J. Batten of Herndon and James Palmer of Chesapeake, Md., earned divisional titles in the Sports Plus/Carmen Don Junior Classic Feb. 14 at AMF Seminary.

Batten, the last of four qualifiers for match play with 842 for four games, won two of three matches and collected 40 bonus pins while scoring 695 and totaling 1,577 to take home the \$500 scholarship top prize in the Scratch Division.

Arlea Bowman of Sterling placed second with 1,556 (895 qualifying/641 match play/20 bonus pins) to earn her choice of a \$250 scholarship or a bowling ball (a decision she's yet to make). Herndon's Michael Price was next with 1,546 (898/608/40) to receive a Blue Hot Flame ball. Brad Hockenberry of Manassas scored 1,535 (871/644/20) to collect a \$50 gift certificate from the Sports Plus/Carmen Don Pro Shop.

Meanwhile, Palmer won a personalized ball of his choice by scoring 1,004 (620 scratch) for four games in the Handicap Division. Craig Spencer of Middleton, Va., was second with 910 (706 scratch) to earn a \$50 gift certificate, and Roger Balkison of Kingstown, Va., placed third with 895 (783) to secure a \$40 gift certificate.

The tournament and scholarship were dedicated to Pete Gunn in appreciation for his long-term service to youth bowling. Mr. Gunn was presented a plaque by his longtime protegé, Jay Gaskill.