
Gaskill, Caruso top area finishers in Reno

James Gaskill III of Arlington and Michael Caruso of Woodbridge were the area's highest male finishers at the 1998 Junior Olympic Gold Championships, which concluded July 17 at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev.

After reaching the semifinal round, Gaskill scored games of 200-183-254-161-214-208-217-214 for a 1,651 total and to finish in 27th place. He missed making the Top 16 by 35 pins.

Caruso finished 74th after his eight-game semifinal total of 1,533.

Other local male participants included: 170. Jeffrey Rabinavitz, North Potomac (2,880 for 15 games); 182. Michael Gregory, Bowie (2,870); 184. Robert Beil, Bowie (2,868); 186. Jonathan Price, Herndon (2,867); 302. Adam Kincaid, Huntingtown, Md. (2,689); 324. Thomas Piontek-Vega, Sterling (2,663); 349. Sean Otterson, Chesapeake Beach, Md. (2,595); 354. Eric Bittenbender, Chesapeake Beach, Md. (2,573); and 375. Matthew Patrick, Laurel (2,420).

Meanwhile, Joy Esterson of Annapolis was the only area female to make the semifinal round. She finished 35th with a 1,454 total.

Other local females included: 42. Latisa Parker, Laurel (2,873); 57. Erin Gore, Woodbridge (2,807); and Christine Martin, Huntingtown, Md. (2,760).

In all, 516 YABA members competed in this event, which offered over \$50,000 in scholarship money.