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Be Still My Beating HEART!

Heart Wins First Championship In Their Second Year

*- Fellowship 1 takes 2nd
place in dramatic overtime
finish*

*- Leamington 2 makes it to
the Finals in their first full
year of competition.*

In one of the most exciting JV finals on record, the sophomore team from Heart of the Hills Christian Assembly in Rochester Hills took home the big prize with a correct overtime question from Tim Kucejko. This was their first finals that they had ever been a part of. Here's how the quiz went down.

All afternoon, tensions were high. Heart was on a huge comeback trail, winning every quiz in sight, gaining ever so slowly on Fellowship 1's lead. In their one meeting during the day, Heart came out on top, but only on a last second question. It would seem that these teams were evenly matched.

You could hear all of the excitement in the hallway. You knew when somebody had come away with a position win because the joy echoed throughout the church. Questions were overheard, "What did Fellowship do in their last quiz?," "What about Heart? Did they win again?," "How many points did so-and-so score?" It was pretty crazy.



Michelle Ruehl nails another reference

BRIGHTON Three-Peats!

First To Ever Win Varsity Day Of Champions Three Years In A Row

*- Emmanuel falls one
question short of the
championship.*

*- Fellowship flies through
season in 1st, until the finals.*

It was unexpected. All the experts didn't pick them. What did Las Vegas have them listed as? 20-1 odds? 30-1? Overcoming many obstacles, including losing a key member of the team for the semi's & finals, Brighton took their 3rd consecutive championship in a tight and exciting final quiz against both Emmanuel and Fellowship.

Brighton really came from a position in the middle of the pack before the March tournament, but poured on some extra effort and fantastic jumps to make it to the finals. Of course each road to the finals can be short, or very long. And these 4 guys made it interesting along the way.

Making it into the finals on their 3rd try, Brighton was primed and ready to go. There are those that say that the team who makes it into the finals last has the best chance of winning because of the momentum of winning so recently. Well, that theory was proven correct in this instance.

It all started with Emmanuel getting hot out of the gate with the quick, "whiplash flash" jump of Pete Goldsmith. He took the first question, and wanted to take question #2 but came up short of clues due to that jump.

Team leader and Brighton top scorer Dave Willick started their climb to 1st place with a 20 pointer on #3. But following right behind Dave was sister Bethany with her own 20 to put Emmanuel up by a question. 40 Emmanuel, 20 Brighton, 0 Fellowship.

Question #5. Out of nowhere, perhaps a statement of what was to come, rookie Nathan Eikhoff nails a finish to put his team into a tie for 1st at 40 even. Nathan and Jamie had been exchanging the role of being substitute all day long, but they were both forced into

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Heart Triumphs In Tight Quiz



Keys To Heart Victory

- ◆ Took 5 of 6 specialty questions
- ◆ All three team members contributed to the scoring
- ◆ Only 1 error
- ◆ On a 17-quiz win streak

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for Fellowship's yearly tradition of chasing after championships

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for Leamington's dramatic climb into the finals in their rookie season.

So when the finals finally came, after an excellent round of semi's, the room was buzzing. Randy Bonsor, back for another tournament of excellent quizmastering, was heading up this quiz. He began with a word of prayer. As soon as the 'Amen' was said, shouts of "Go Heart!", "Come on Fellowship!", "Let's go Leamington!"

Derek Voigt started the quiz out with a great jump. "Stand firm . . ." He thought about it, came up with an good answer but not quite right. He said "Stand firm in your faith." when the answer was "in the faith." Tough one.

Heart & Leamington on the toss up. "If a woman . . ." Tim gets up, and in his rapper like way, clutched the mike, and spoke God's word clearly for the 20pts. Heart is on the board. Question #3. Michelle Ruehl perks up when she hears, "Reference question." So much so that she jumps on the reference, came up with the verse, and gave the correct question for the 40pt heart lead.

A sign of strong under pressure skills is how a quizzier reacts after an error. Voigt came back for Fellowship with a quick jump and a quick but well worded answer to put his team on the board. But ouch, Derek took the next question, on "What need no . . ." and drew a blank.

Question #6. Toss up. Leamington. Heart. Finish this verse. Heart's finish specialist, Mandy Clason, a rookie and all, gets up on "The body . . ." She chooses one, quotes it very well, but it's the wrong one. Free question to Leamington.

Sara Klassen, one of Leamington's leading scorers, collected the freebee to put her team on the board and into the record books as the 2nd rookie team to ever score points in a JV final.

Fellowship, anxious to close the 20 gap between them and Heart, sends out Barry for question #8. He gets the jump, answers it with the first thought, and oops, wrong thought. But a good effort nonetheless. But bad news for Fellowship. That's their third team error. One more and it's -10 for every error.

Heart & Leamington gets to feast on the toss-up. It's a reference, chapter only, and none other than Michelle Ruehl, obviously Heart's reference specialist, jumps and come up with the answer and the question with just a few seconds to go. That's her second and it puts Heart up by 40pts.

But Fellowship crawled right back into the hunt on the shoulders on Barry Marino's two in a row, a finish and a regular question. That made the score 60-60-10 on question #12. Any team could still win this one.

Another reference. Michelle claimed the last two. Randy started his sequence, looked up and pointed to her once again, with only the reference being given. Jumping on the reference had been, until now, unheard of in the JV division. Michelle answers it, with an immense look of surprise on her face, when the quizmaster asked for a question. Heart goes up by 20, 80-60.

But right back, Barry Marino claims #13 to bring Fellowship back into a tie, and in the process freezes the silver chair, just behind Michelle. 80-80. But next up, finish this verse.

You could see her eyes perk up as she came to fix her attention on the quizmaster. It looked like Mandy Clason was going to take #14. But wait a minute. Rookies are supposed to be able to do these things. Not to mention late in the final quiz of the year. But she did it anyway! Heart goes up, 100-80.

After a time out, where Fellowship coaches urged the team to get this next one, to earn a share of the lead and go for a tie breaker. As Napoleon planned his great exploits and succeeded at many, Fellowship's plans also worked as Derek Voigt slowly and carefully quoted his way into a first place tie with Heart.

Question #16. Overtime. No pressure at all. Randy begins his sequence. "After that . . . It looks like Derek or Tim got the jump . . . it's Tim. He looks way to excited to look unsure about his answer. He quotes the verse with an expectant celebration waiting to bubble out. Heart wins! Tim goes nuts! The large Heart following joins in with cheers and smiles! What more could you ask for in a JV finals.

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Brighton Three-Peats In One Of The Most Exciting Finals Ever



Emmanuel, Fellowship, & Brighton ready for the Finals to start

action by the absence of teammate Ken Leslie due to other obligations. And under the circumstances, you don't expect a rookie to perform. However, in many cases, when a rookie does perform, it boosts the entire team up to another level. The Brighton team seemed to rally around this question and it got them thinking championship.

But not so soon. Brighton's Willick, caught up in the moment, got a raw question for an error on #6 and again his sister Bethany followed, but this time with an error as well. Fellowship then took the freebee to get on the board with Aubree Marino scoring. Would this get the Fellowship ball rolling a little?

It sure did. Rachael Parker, known for an uncanny knack for good jumps, nailed a solid jump and answer to bring her team to within 10pts of the lead, 40-40-30. It looked like Fellowship had switched strategies. It looked as if Fellowship was sitting back waiting for the errors to lead to free questions for them. However, the other teams weren't getting that many errors. With this increased jumping speed however, comes the danger and the

penalty that Aubree experienced on #10 with an error: two and a half words but nothing significant to figure out an answer with.

Emmanuel All-Star Amanda Lancaster got into the action, but not the way she planned on, with an error on #11, giving the free question to Brighton. Dave Willick once again picked up the points for his team. Brighton 50, Emmanuel 40, Fellowship 30 on question #13. This one could go anywhere.

Following his free question effort, Dave got the jump on #13, but didn't come up with the answer. Fellowship stepped up their jumps to get the toss-up, but again, Aubree didn't get much to go on. The free question went to Emmanuel's Amanda Lancaster to put them into a tie for 1st at 50, with Fellowship one question away

on #14.

Fellowship has to have this question to stay in it. However, just as Nathan Eikhoff contributed earlier, Jamie Nancy stepped to the mic to answer #14 and make it a two-team quiz. Brighton 70, Emmanuel 50, Fellowship 30 on #15. This was going down to the wire.

If there was one guy who knows how to answer clutch questions, it's Emmanuel's Pete Goldsmith. With visions of World '92 semi's, this author watched Peter nail #15 to bring his team into a tie and overtime with Brighton at 70pts each.

With the crowd hushed and excited at the same time, the tie-breaking question was read. Pete gets the jump ... thinks through for an answer ... and time runs out. It left Brighton with a free questions for their 3rd consecutive championship and complete the three-peat! Congratulations to all teams involved for one of the best final quizzes we've had in a long time!

In The Face Of Violence: A Serious Look At A Serious Problem

It's everywhere. You can't hide from it. You turn your TV on, it's there. You flip your radio on, it's there. You walk around your neighborhoods, and the problem begs a solution. One that only we can find and act on through the wisdom of God. The problem is violence. It's got to stop.

Be a part of a different thing. It will be an interactive forum for teens and youth leaders to not just talk about how bad the problem is, but actually find solutions in how you can make a difference right where you are!

Bring a pillow to sit on, and your brains to think with to Grace Chapel at 12 Mile Road and Drake. Starting time is 7:00pm.



**VARSITY
SEMI-FINAL
HIGHLIGHTS**

Written by Brian Hanson, Edited by Mike Miller

Semi-Final 'A'

St. Michael-120,

Faith-10, Ypsilanti Free-0

The girls from St. Michael lit up the board in this quiz to advance to the next round against the 7th & 8th place teams. Julie Winkelman had 40pts and Teresa Akers led St. Michael with 80pts. Katie Hostetter put Faith on the board win 10pts on question 10. Lindsay, Dan, & Heather from Ypsi all had the best uniforms by far. (Nice socks Dan!)

Semi-Final 'B'

(winner into the finals)

Emmanuel-90,

Fellowship-40, Brighton-30

In the first quiz with the three top teams from the semi's, Emmanuel continued their winning ways. Pushing their team into the finals, Amanda Lancaster scored 60 crucial points for Emmanuel giving them the first chairs in the 'Big Dance.' Left behind to quiz another day, Fellowship had the early lead by as much as 30pts. Emmanuel quickly made up that ground with three in a row between #8-10. Brighton also stumbled late to push them into the next semi-final round, still one quiz away from the finals.

Semi-Final 'C'

Trenton-70,

St. Michael-60, Heart-10

The winner of this quiz will live on, but 2nd and 3rd would retire for the tournament. And it was oh so close! Trenton jumped their way to a quick 50pts lead through the first 5 questions of the quiz only to watch St. Michael chip away at it until they took the lead by #13 at 60-50. Leading that charge was 2 in a row from Julie Winkelman on #12-#13. Teresa Akers also scored a crucial 20pts to build their lead. Trenton's Sean Gibson, who had scored all his team's points so far, but in the process had acquired two errors, tried on #14 to reclaim

Team	Pts	Record
Fellowship	193	15-6-0-(5)
Emmanuel	192	15-4-2-(6)
Brighton	170	12-8-1-(3)
Cornerstone	147	8-12-1
HPBC 2	144	9-10-2
Calvary	110	6-8-7
Heart	82	5-4-11
Trenton	76	2-9-10
St. Michael	59	1-6-11
Faith	49	0-7-14
Ypsilanti Free	31	1-1-16

the lead, and fell just short, erring out of the quiz. But never fear! Horvath is here! That's right! Chris Horvath took #15A to advance Trenton further into the semi's! An exciting finish with High Five's swinging everywhere for Trenton! For St. Michael, the "I'm happy no matter what the results" award goes to them for their smiles and good attitude throughout the tournament and year! For Heart, bigger and better things await them for next year, however, for the meantime, they quickly ran over to the JV rooms to root their team into the Finals.

Semi-Final 'D'

HPBC 2-100,

Calvary-90, Cornerstone-70

Graham Wloch was one of the hottest quizzers in the Varsity division for this tournament, showing good consistency and a strong knowledge of the material. And it showed in the results of this 4th-5th-6th place quiz. The winner gets into the quiz that gets them to the finals. 2nd and 3rd place gets one more shot to stay alive. Graham froze his chair by #6, but Calvary's Tim Simon froze his chair by #8. Right behind those two, Lee Ann Gray took #9-11 to freeze her chair and leave her waiting for toss-ups to gobble on. Darcy Saffar scored 40pts in support of HPBC's victory, which turned out to be the difference. However, it was a little exciting. Rookie Laurie Slagenwite from Calvary took two late 20 pointers to push her team into 2nd place!

Semi-Final 'E'

(winner into the finals)

Fellowship-70,

HPBC 2-50, Brighton-50

Fellowship became the 2nd team into the finals with a strong effort from captain Aubree Marino with all 70pts. Brighton made a big charge, and leading the way was Dave Willick, frozen and #4. He left the rest to Jamie & Nathan. They gave it their best shot, just missing some close jumps and answers but came up 20pts short. HPBC 2 took #13A and #15 to bring them up to a cosmetic 2nd place

Name	Team	Pts	Avg	Err
Lee Ann Gray	Cornerstone	1900	86.36	20
Tim Simon	Calvary	1410	64.09	28
Aubree Marino	Fellowship	1360	61.82	15
Amanda Lancaster	Emmanuel	1350	61.36	22
David Willick	Brighton	1240	56.36	28
Graham Wloch	HPBC 2	1020	46.36	12
Rachael Parker	Fellowship	950	43.18	17
Bethany Willick	Emmanuel	870	39.55	12
Darcy Saffar	HPBC 2	820	37.27	14
Matt Gutowsky	Heart	750	34.09	16
Ken Leslie	Brighton	740	35.24	18
Sean Gibson	Trenton	700	33.33	44
Teresa Akers	St. Michael	690	36.32	25
Pete Goldsmith	Emmanuel	660	34.74	13
Bryan Watson	Faith	490	22.27	16
Beth Marino	Fellowship	470	21.36	7
Jamie Nancy	Brighton	420	19.09	16
Julie Winkelman	St. Michael	330	18.33	8
Katie Hostetter	Faith	270	12.27	7
Nathan Eikhoff-R	Brighton	250	11.36	4
Dan Bruno-R	Ypsilanti Free	230	12.11	20
Tonya Hardy-R	Heart	210	9.55	7
L. Slazenwhite-R	Calvary	140	8.75	3
Lindsay West-R	Ypsilanti Free	100	5.26	9
Melissa Ensign	Cornerstone	80	6.67	5
Carrie Giesmann	Trenton	70	4.67	5
Chris Horvath	Trenton	40	2.11	2
Mark Hovermale-R	Calvary	40	4.44	4
Aleena Colyer	Heart	40	2.11	7
Brian Franz-R	Calvary	20	3.33	0
Scott Fresh-R	Calvary	20	3.33	0
Kristen Zochowski	Heart	0	0.00	0
Mark Griffin-R	Ypsilanti Free	0	0.00	0
John Watson-R	HPBC 2	0	0.00	0
Sam Bills-R	Faith	0	0.00	0
Kim Frazier-R	St. Michael	0	0.00	1
Heather Bowbeer-R	Ypsilanti Free	0	0.00	1

R - denotes rookie

going into the last semi to get to the finals.

Semi-Final 'F'

Cornerstone-100, Calvary-90, Trenton-10

In this quiz to determine which team will get in the last slot to possibly get into the finals, Lee Ann Gray spread her 20's apart throughout the entire quiz and kept the errors to a minimum to capture that spot. Tim Simon scored 90pts by himself to lead Calvary to a close finish and a respectable 6th place finish for the year. Trenton's Sean Gibson put up his team's points to leave them in 7th after the tournament. There was talk of another solo championship effort after this quiz. The first one was years ago by a quizzer named Roger Cole. Would Lee Ann repeat this feat?

Semi-Final 'G'

(winner into the finals)

Brighton-110, Cornerstone-60, HPBC 2-20

As if they had planned this all along, to delay for Ken Leslie's sake, Brighton put together a great team effort with 2 frozen chairs to jump into the finals. Both Jamie Nancy(60pts) & Dave Willick(50pts) contributed and they both had to. With Cornerstone's Lee Ann Gray, you never know how many points she could explode for. Cornerstone ended the tournament in 4th, with HPBC 2 coming in 5th place. On to the finals!

**JUNIOR VARSITY
SEMI-FINAL
HIGHLIGHTS**

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Semi-Final 'A'

Cornerstone 1-90,

St. Michael-50, Leamington 1-40

Cornerstone's Jennifer Walker walked her way to a big victory with all 90pts in her pocket. St. Michael got good contributions from Lindsey Root with 40pts and Jonathan Keim with 20pts. Jeremy Dyck led the way for the Leamington team with 40pts to keep them close. Cornerstone advances into a winner's bracket. Both St. Michael & Leamington 1 will have one more chance to stay alive in the tournament.

Semi-Final 'B'

Faith-50,

Leamington 3-50, Redemption-40

Faith's Sean Bigger came through on 14B with a freebee to put his team up by 10, 50-40-20 with one question to go. Kelly Maitland took #15 for redemption that put them in a 2nd place tie with Leamington and caused Faith to clinch victory. One #17, Jessica Kuchta pulled out a 20 pointer to seal 2nd place in just their 2nd month of quizzing and 12th place for the tournament. Redemption takes 13th place in their first year of quizzing. We're looking forward to seeing both teams back next year!

Semi-Final 'C'

St. Michael-90,

Leamington 1-30, Faith-0

Lindsey Root came up big for St. Michael with 70 points and Jonathan Keim added another 20 to push St. Michael up the ladder towards the finals. Faith finished the season in 11th place, while Leamington ended their run in 10th place for the year.

Semi-Final 'D'

Emmanuel-70,

Cornerstone 2-70, Leamington 2-60

Emmanuel spread their scoring out among three teammates, John Corrente (20pts), Tara Sparling(30pts), & Derek MacPherson(20pts). Casey Rice score his team's 70 to put them in the contest through #15. Leamington's Sara Klassen had 40pts and Jennifer Dyck added 20pts to put them up there as well. Who ended up on top? On #15, the score was Emmanuel 70, Leamington 60, Cornerstone 40. Casey Rice froze his chair on #15 with a 20 pointer to tie for 2nd. The tie breaker came right back to him after a Leamington error to finish the quiz. Emmanuel into the winner's bracket and within one win of the finals.

Name	Pts	Record
Heart	207	17-4-0-(5)
Fellowship 1	202	17-4-0-(4)
Fellowship 2	183	14-6-1-(4)
Leamington 2	149	11-6-4-(1)
Cornerstone 2	144	10-8-0
Emmanuel	138	9-8-4-(1)
HPBC 1	96	3-12-6
Leamington 1	79	2-10-9
St. Michael	77	2-9-10-(1)
Cornerstone 1	70	4-4-10
Faith	67	2-7-12
Redemption	55	1-7-10
Leamington 3	21	0-3-6
Grace	14	0-2-4
Trenton	11	0-2-1

Semi-Final 'E'

(winner into the finals)

Heart-110,

Fellowship 1-50, Fellowship 2-30

The top three teams after the prelims had kept tabs on each other all day long. Heart was on a 15 quiz win streak and quizzing as well as ever. However, both Fellowship teams had been right on their heels in every quiz where they quizzed against each other. Well Heart was the first to get to the 'Big Show' with strong efforts from both Michelle Ruehl (50pts) and Tim Kucejko(60pts). Both Fellowship's moved on the next round to sneak into the finals.

Semi-Final 'F' (winner into the finals)

Fellowship 1-120,

Fellowship 2-100, Emmanuel-20

Barry Marino's 60pts early, Derek Voigt's 40pts late, and an additional 20 from Kari Edgar proved to make the difference and send Fellowship 1 into the JV finals. Fellowship 2 put up a great effort. The score going into #15 was 100 for Fellowship 2, 80 for Fellowship 1, 20 for Emmanuel. That when the Voigt-ster kicked it in high gear and swept two crucial questions to jettison his team into the finals. Fellowship 2 & Emmanuel gets one more chance to make it.

Semi-Final 'G'

St. Michael-80, Cornerstone 1-60,

HPBC 1-40

St. Michael is on a roll. Lindsey Root scored 40 points while teammates Jonathon Keim and Cathie Kowalski both scored 20pts to push St. Michael into the classic underdog role and another semi. Cornerstone's Jennifer Walker ended her season with a strong effort of 60 points and helped her team finish in 8th place. Marc Howe stayed consistent as ever with 40 for HPBC to land his team in 9th place.

Semi-Final 'H'

Leamington 2-120,

Cornerstone 2-110, St. Michael-0

St. Michael had won two quizzes in a roll and was really hot! Cornerstone's rookies Casey Rice and Tim wanted to show that they could make it into the finals without experience on their side.

Name	Team	Pts	Avg	Err
Casey Rice-R	Cornerstone 2	1450	76.32	16
Barry Marino	Fellowship 1	1440	65.45	18
Michelle Ruehl-R	Heart	1400	63.64	16
Tim Kucejko	Heart	1320	60.00	21
Cathie Gambino	Fellowship 2	1080	49.09	26
Derek Voigt	Fellowship 1	1050	47.73	19
Marc Howe	HPBC 1	1000	45.45	29
Tara Sparling	Emmanuel	980	44.55	7
Jennifer Dyck-R	Leamington 2	920	41.82	5
Jennifer Walker-R	Cornerstone 1	900	47.37	13
Sara Klassen-R	Leamington 2	850	38.64	16
Julie Landt	Fellowship 2	830	37.73	15
Lindsey Root	St. Michael	800	36.36	30
Meghan Volpe	Fellowship 2	790	35.91	4
Emma Hostetter	Faith	760	34.55	25
John Corrente	Emmanuel	720	34.29	26
Lauren Grieco-R	Leamington 1	460	20.91	9
Kelly Maitland-R	Redemption	400	30.77	5
Tim Thurmond-R	Cornerstone 2	370	19.47	26
Mandy Clason-R	Heart	360	16.36	6
Kari Edgar	Fellowship 1	340	17.89	11
Angie Schneider-R	Redemption	330	17.37	8
Jeremy Dyck-R	Leamington 1	280	14.74	14
Lynnea Williford	Fellowship 1	260	17.33	1
S. Verheyen-R	Leamington 2	250	15.63	2
Chris Heinonen-R	Heart	240	13.33	2
David Peters-R	Leamington 1	150	6.82	12
Brendan Howe-R	HPBC 1	140	6.67	4
Bill Klassen	Leamington 3	140	14.00	11
Jonathan Kiem-R	St. Michael	130	5.91	4
Sean Bigger	Faith	120	5.45	5
Cathie Kowalski	St. Michael	120	5.45	29
Ebony Parker-R	Grace	110	18.33	2
Eric Yew	Emmanuel	100	7.14	5
Josh Brown-R	HPBC 1	80	4.44	2
Brittany Boyce	Faith	80	3.64	3
Derek Macpherson-R	Emmanuel	80	5.33	8
Craig Horvath	Trenton	60	20.00	2
Jason Wood-R	Grace	60	15.00	3
Jessica Kuchta	Leamington 3	50	5.00	0
Angelise Regnier-R	Leamington 1	40	8.00	0
Jeanette Sieradski-R	Redemption	40	2.11	0
Mike Morton	St. Michael	40	10.00	1
Michelle Albrecht	Leamington 3	40	4.00	2
Kara Regan	Cornerstone 1	30	1.58	3
Martin Kanode	Trenton	20	6.67	0
Kristen Briggs-R	Redemption	20	3.33	0
Calida Coleman-R	Grace	10	3.33	1
Bridget Bond-R	Grace	10	1.67	1
Abbey Yew-R	Emmanuel	10	1.43	2
Sarah Perkins-R	HPBC 1	0	0.00	0
Johanna Dyck	Leamington 3	0	0.00	0
Marie Bigger	Faith	0	0.00	1
Erika Lorano-R	Redemption	0	0.00	2

R - denotes rookie

However, standing in their way was Leamington's Sara Klassen and Jennifer Dyck. Sara scored 80pts and Jennifer had 40 to push their team into the last available slot to try and make it to the finals. Casey kept Cornerstone with 90pts, and Tim Thurmond contributed another 20pts to keep them in their right to the end. St. Michael ended the tournament in 7th place, with Cornerstone finishing just ahead of them in 6th place.

Semi-Final 'I' - (winner into the finals)

Leamington 2-60, Fellowship 2-30, Emmanuel-20

In a quiz littered with errors, somebody gets a lot of free questions. That somebody was Leamington. But oddly enough, it wasn't a freebee that got them in. It was a clutch question by Shannon Verheyen on 14A that clinched them a birth into the finals in their rookie season, a feat last accomplished back in 1980. Jennifer Dyck led her team with 30pts, while Sara had 10.

Chicago: Great Town, Great Quizzing, Great Time

In a strange tournament, strange things happen. First, there was no JV division. Then the playoff bracket was called a “super bracket,” when there was really nothing super about it. We took some JV teams, and some Varsity teams, not really knowing what the competition would be like. Be that quickly became evident. This was a Varsity tournament with JV quizzers trying to do their best. Strange, but we survived.

Well, let me be blunt. We weren’t in the finals. That was *really* strange. But thoughts quickly shifted elsewhere to the positive parts of this year’s Chicago tournament.

What a great performance by the Willick clan! First, Bethany, in the last year of her quizzing career, had her best Varsity tournament ever, placing 11th overall. Meanwhile her brother Dave was cranking out points for another Detroit team, and landing himself in 4th place, his highest showing in his Varsity career.

Casey Rice also finished in the top 25 in his rookie year and first Chicago Open tournament. This JV quizzer continues to work hard and compete well over God’s Word.

Another JV’er, Michelle Ruehl, one of Heart heroine’s, also found herself in the top 25 at the end of the day. She was on one of the strong performing JV teams that we took to the tournament. Her strong point was references again, showing some of the great abilities she learned under the excellent tutelage of Paul & Dawn Paternoster (just a *little* plug guys!).

Lee Ann Gray also finished in the all-star category another time, even though she had what she would call an “off day”. Hey, it’s OK Lee Ann. You’re just pacing yourself for World right!?! The Bert Larimore Award was made for you!

We could complain until we’re blue in the face about all the negatives at this tournament. But that would accomplish nothing. Look for next year’s tournament to be more like prior years. Two divisions. A normal playoff structure. And of course, hopefully, a Detroit victory.

Coach And Quizzer Reaction From Chicago

by Dave Willick & Brian Hanson
Edited by Mike Miller

Overall, the tournament flunked the grade. But if you stretch a bit you can think of some positive things that came out of the Chicago trip.

According to Heart coaches Paul and Dawn Paternoster, “We were impressed with quality of quizzing. A lot of hard work and effort went into the tournament, but there were also fun times to make the sacrifices of Bible Quizzing worth it.”

The setup of this tournament was received considerable criticism. Many quizzers and coaches were disappointed because they weren’t able to see their friends quiz due to the, “Fast and hectic pace, with not enough quizzes to talk to other teams,” said Calvary quizzer Tim Simon.

Sean Gibson added, “I didn’t care for semi’s.” and that was a more mellow comment. Not even Jim “The Guru” Voltz could predict the luck of The Boyz in this strange semi-final bracket.

Lee Ann Welsh stated that she “was proud to see our J.V. kids perform on a level competitive with Varsity. They had a good attitude about not having their own division.”

We hope all who went had a great time and will come back next year with renewed motivation and determination to do their best over the book of John in 1995!

World '94 - The Road To Repeat

Detroit Heads Back To World To Defend Their Title

It was a nearly 10 months ago when Detroit was proclaimed World Champions by the WBQA at their annual final of finals tournament. It was a time when names like Gray, Lancaster, Goldsmith, Kifer, and Hackman were echoed victoriously throughout the sweaty halls of Westminster College.

Now it's on to Kansas City and Mid-American Nazarene University for the 1995 WBQA World Finals. Detroit will look to repeat and become only the second national quiz program to do so in the 15 year history of the tournament.

Detroit will field two teams, like the '94 finals, with only a few changes and new faces added. These teams will be equally talented and prepared when the teams will be put together 3 weeks before the tournament.

Prior to that, there will be much to do. There will be three one-day boot camps where progress will be evaluated of each quizzier as well as individual team practices before the big tournament. By June 11th, every quizzier will have all 694 verses memorized and quoted to a coach. Here's a look at the participants in this year's World trip.

Andy Hackman - He was a World quizzier himself for 4 years, and has coached 4 World teams in his many years of experience. He's a strong motivator with a good perspective, winning or losing. He has led 2 of his 4 World teams into the Finals. **Robyn Miller** - (not Landt) She has coached the Fellowship Varsity team for the last 7 years and have taken her quizzers into 6 local league finals. She quizzed for four years locally, and qualified for one World team in 1983, and coached a World team in 1990. Robyn actually coached Andy at a Chicago tournament one year!

Lee Ann Gray - World Top Quizzier in '93. For that matter, top quizzier in all of '93. Every tournament she participated in she captured the top spot. Great work ethic and jump.

Amanda Lancaster - She is the most experienced quizzier on Detroit. Solid material and motivational skills. You could call her driven. Perhaps the most versatile quizzier going to World '95.

Ken Leslie - Yes he is! Great things come in small packages and this is one great quizzier! This will be Ken's 2nd World trip. Ken has a knack for jumping at key times and grabbing a winner or two.

Aubree Marino - No one deserves a World victory more than this quizzier. She is ready to leave a lasting mark on her illustrious quizzing career. That mark will hopefully say: "World Champion." Aubree defines what strong leadership means to a team.

Beth Marino - An up and comer, Beth has the ability to get the question that counts. She answered the game winning question to take an Indianapolis championship a few years ago. Beth made a smooth transition from JV to Varsity this past year, helping Fellowship reach the finals.

Jamie Nancy - Consistency. That's the word that will be engraved on this man's tombstone. He performs at the same level no matter what the competition is like. He steps up when the quiz is on the line and delivers. His senior experience will help his team in a major way.

Rachael Parker - Controlled, determined, driven, experienced, and keep things in perspective at all times. This could only be the 1989 Bert Larimore award winner, Rachel Parker. This will be her 4th World trip, and probably her last. She wants to go out in a big way.

Tim Simon - Perhaps the most efficient studier among this year's World crop. Tim takes the big jump when needed because of his strong retention skills. He brings maturity, humor, and tall socks to the '94 World team.

Bethany Willick - She quizzed like she had something to prove at Chicago. I have a feeling she wants to show a little bit more at World. I'm not sure if there could be a more dominant quizzier when Bethany is at her peak performance. Great jump and cool under pressure.

Dave Willick - He showed that he's ready to jump into the big ring with his strong performance in Chicago. This guy will be a major player in Detroit's World future, including this year. If he knows his material, he can be a "monster quizzier."

Graham Wloch - World has been a part of this guy's routine for the last four years. Graham brings tournament experience and a strong March tournament to this year's World

Look for a World '94 Recap in the June/July issue!

Top Ten Things That You'll Remember About Chicago

1. Renny shaving after giving his "devotional."
2. Quizmasters crucifying Christ.
3. No one being able to go to the bathroom.
4. OOOOHHHHHH! OOOOHHHH!
OOOOHHHH! (Belly Bump!)
5. Hot Dang!
6. Quizmasters, quiz boxes, and confusion between the two.
7. How about some of those questions in the opening time: "Um . . . um . . . does a quizzer have to be the first person to jump to get to answer?"
8. Mike and his medical supplies at his side.
9. Barry Marino quizzing against his sister Aubree Marino at the same time.
10. How about the design on that hotel. "Take the L-train to 55th street, go around the J-connector, then make 3 lefts, and the pool will be on your right."

Right: Leamington plans their way into the JV finals.



1993-94 Schedule

May 1st

*World '94 Team
Organization Meeting*

May-June-July 1994

*World '94
Boot Camp Practices*

July 10-17

*The 1994 World Finals
Mid-American
Nazarene University
Kansas City, Missouri
I & II Corinthians (694vs.)
(additional 216vs. to learn)*

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