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## Small Crowd Sees Super Meet

Saginaw County sports followers either aren't track buffs or they don't know a good thing when they hear about it.

The fourth annual Herb Korf Invitational track meet, featuring the top athletes in Saginaw County, was held Tuesday night at Saginaw High's New Alumni Field. Yet an estimated crowd of 500 (600 at the most) was all that showed up.

Disappointing? Yes, for those who weren't there.

Those that were in attendance were treated to some great performances. Eight of them in fact because eight Korf records were shattered.

Saginaw just happens to be the home of the State Class A championship team, Saginaw High, and the county is blessed with some truly outstanding athletes this year.

Consider a few of the records set.

### ZUCKER ZIPS

Arthur Hill two-miler Paul Zucker chopped nearly 20 seconds off the old record with a 9:35.4 effort. The old mark was 9:54.4. That's almost unheard of in this day and age.

Then there was Eisenhower miler Bill Singer who clipped nearly 10 seconds off the previous mark of 4:35.2 with a 4:24.5 clocking.

Bridgeport's versatile Mike Arnold set a half-mile standard and chased MacArthur's Bill Yeo to a record in the 40.

Saginaw High athletes accounted for the other four records. Bob Chapman leaped 6-4 in the high jump easily and didn't try to go any higher. The Trojans' 880 relay, anchored by state dash champion Reggie Jones, clocked a 1:29.9 and the 440 relay, anchored by Chapman, zipped to a :44.7.

The other highlights belonged to Jones, who won the 100 and 220 in the state both his junior and senior years. Reggie sped to a 9.7 century to break his Korf mark of 10 flat, then he "loafed" to a 22.4 to win the 220.

The 6-foot-3, 190-pound Jones was named the meet's outstanding athlete and deservedly so.

### TENNESSEE WINS OUT

Reggie has signed a full ride scholarship to the University of Tennessee, a school he selected over four others.

"I spent two days at their campus, really liked it and the track coach," he said. "The weather is good down there and I will be able to run year-round."

Jones said he had offers from Michigan State, University of Michigan, Texas and a letter from UCLA, but had his mind made up on Tennessee after he had a look-see.

What do you think you can hit when you reach full potential?

"I hope by the time I'm a sophomore I'll be down to 9.2. I don't think I can do it my freshman year, but with a year of full practice, I think I can."

Jones hates in a way to leave his hometown, but said even if he wouldn't have gotten the Tennessee offer he would have gone west to run somewhere where the weather is better than in Michigan.

He says he hopes to try the 220 in college, maybe even the 440. "They're going to try and put a real good relay team together and maybe I'll be a part of it. They're also getting John Young, who just got out of the Air Force. He ran in the Olympics and took a fourth in the 100."

### TRACK IST, FOOTBALL 2ND

What about other sports? After all Reggie is also a fine football and basketball player.

"I don't know," he said. "I'll just have to wait and see how my leg is. I stretched some ligaments in my knee (left) playing football, and although it doesn't hurt me when I run, it bothers me when I bend it alot."

Reggie says he'd like to try football in his junior or senior year in hopes of being drafted as perhaps a flanker in pro football.

### BEST MEET EVER

The fastest sprinter in the history of Saginaw track was worth the price of admission last night. Toss in all the other fine athletes on display and the fourth annual Korf Invitational has to go down as the greatest track meet ever held in our town. It's too bad there weren't at least a couple thousand more fans on hand to see the best Saginaw County had to show.

## Jones Repeats as Most Outstanding

# 8 Records Set in Korf Meet

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It's been said records are made to be broken. Well, Saginaw County's track elite did enough of that Tuesday night in the fourth running of the Herb Korf Invitational. But, some of those new standards could stay around for some time.

What has to be one of the finest if not the best collection of prep track athletes ever assembled in Saginaw County thrilled a very disappointing crowd by setting eight records and tying another at Saginaw High's New Alumni Field in The News' sponsored meet.

The records were done in a very convincing style. Marks fell in the 100, 440, 880, mile, two mile, high jump, 880 and 440 relays. Another was tied in the low hurdles.

Saginaw High's Reggie Jones, the greatest sprinter to ever come out of the city, won two individual events, anchored the 880 relay win and had a hand in setting two records.

For Jones' accomplishments he was voted the most outstanding athlete of the meet in a repeat performance from 1972.

Jones won the 100 dash at 9.7 seconds to wipe out his own record of a year ago at 10.0. He also won the 220 with a slow time for him at 22.4 and helped set a record in the 880 relay at 1:29.9. Larry Foster, Bob Chapman and Willie Dawkins joined Jones in the 880.

Saginaw High's sophomore sprinter Reggie Carter replaced Jones in the 440 and combined with the other three runners of the 880 relay to set a record in that event at 43.8.

Jones won the most outstanding athlete award and his school will get to keep the traveling trophy for another year. But, the premier sprinter had a great deal of competition this year for the award.

Jones' teammate Chapman had himself quite a night. Chapman, heading for Michigan State University next fall on a basketball scholarship, won and set a record in the high jump at 6-4. He was second to Jones in the 100 and ran two very impressive legs of the Trojans' record-setting relays.

MacArthur's Bill Yeo, junior, was the only other double just a winner in the individual events and set a record in the process. He won the long jump at 20-8 1/2, and set a record in the 440 with a 50.0 time.



There's No Doubt About It When Reggie Jones Runs

Saginaw High's superb sprinter Reggie Jones (second from left) reaches the tape way ahead of the rest of the field to win the 100-yard dash and set a meet record in

Tuesday's fourth annual Korf Invitational. Jones won at 9.7 seconds. Second was Saginaw High's Bob Chapman (third from right). Others, from left to right, are Nolan

Bryant of Arthur Hill, Pat Moore of St. Stephen's and Reggie Carter of Saginaw High. (Saginaw News Photos by Leland R. Watrous).

Bridgeport's Mike Arnold was a busy athlete last night. He won the 880 with a record time of 1:57.9, took second in the 440 at 50.8, placed fourth in the pole vault and anchored Bridgeport's win in the mile relay.

Joining Arnold for a winning time of 3:31.8 in the mile relay were Steve Johnson, Zane DeForest and Jim Schauman.

The two winners in the distance races did not have a hand in a lot of events, but were superb in their specialties.

Arthur Hill's Paul Zucker clipped almost 20 seconds off the two mile record of 9:54.8 to win with a stunning run of 9:35.4. Second place Paul Singer of Eisenhower also topped the record at 9:42.4.

There are a lot of fine milers in the county, and Tuesday Bill Singer emerged the best with a record-setting time of 4:24.5. The old record was 4:35.2. Kevin Martin of St. Peter & Paul's was second and also topped the record at 4:32.3.

Dawkins, who just joined the relay units a week before the Trojans' state championship, had a hand in both relays along with, tying the low hurdles mark of 19.9.

Other winners were Arthur Hill's Paul Walderzak in the shot put at 51-4, Bob Brechtelsbauer of Arthur Hill in the pole vault at 12-9 and Saginaw High's Henry McClung in the 120 high hurdles at 15.9. He also was third in the lows.

The sparse crowd, estimated between 400 and 500, was once again a big disappointment to the Korf Committee and county track coaches.

Mrs. Beth Korf was once again present as the honored guest of the meet. Bill Stoner was this year's honorary referee.

This caps a great year for many exceptional track athletes in Saginaw County. And, what better way to end the season than in record-setting style.



BILL YEO

## Korf Invitational Results

Shot Put — Paul Walderzak, Arthur Hill; 2 Bill Taylor, Eisenhower; 3 Paul Garcia, St. Peter & Paul's; 4 Curt Thon, Arthur Hill; 5 John Miller, Bridgeport. D—51-4

Long Jump — Bill Yeo, MacArthur; 2 Ron McKellar, Saginaw High; 3 Paul Gorney, Hemlock; 4 Frank Bandle, Saginaw High; 5 Gary Hammond, Hemlock. D—20-8 1/2

Pole Vault — Bob Brechtelsbauer, Arthur Hill; 2 Brian Wilson, Arthur Hill; 3 Paul Martinus, Birch Run; 4 Mike Arnold, Bridgeport; 5 Brian Bailey, Saginaw High. D—12-9

High Jump — Bob Chapman, Saginaw High; 2 Gavin Woodie, Bridgeport; 3 Boss Anderson, Eisenhower; 4 Curt Thon, Arthur Hill; 5 Gary Hammond, Hemlock. D—6-4 (KORF RECORD: Beats old mark of 6-2 by Seminary's Mark Toepel in 1970).

880 Relay — Saginaw High (Larry Foster, Bob Chapman, Willie Dawkins, Reggie Jones); 2 Buena Vista; 3 Hemlock; 4 Bridgeport; 5 St. Peter & Paul's. T—1:29.9 (KORF RECORD: Beats old mark of 1:32.0 by Saginaw High in 1972).

440 Relay — Saginaw High (Reggie Carter, Larry Foster, Willie Dawkins, Bob Chapman); 2 St. Stephen's; 3 Bridgeport; 4 Arthur Hill; 5 Hemlock. T—43.8 (KORF RECORD: Beats old mark of 44.7 by Saginaw High in 1972).

1 Mile Relay — Bridgeport (Steve Johnson, Zane DeForest, Jim Schauman, Mike Arnold); 2 Eisenhower; 3 MacArthur; 4 Freeland; 5 St. Peter & Paul's. T—3:31.8

100 Dash — Reggie Jones, Saginaw High; 2 Bob Chapman, Saginaw High; 3 Pat Moore, St. Stephen's; 4 Larry Foster, Saginaw High; 5 Nolan Bryant, Arthur Hill. T—9.7 (KORF RECORD: Beats old mark of 10.0 by Jones in 1972).

220 Dash — Reggie Jones, Saginaw High; 2 Pat Moore, St. Stephen's; 3 Nolan Bryant, Arthur Hill; 4 Paul Gorney, Hemlock; 5 Tim Neal, Swan Valley. T—22.4

400 Dash — Bill Yeo, MacArthur; 2 Mike Arnold, Bridgeport; 3 Larry Bradshaw, Saginaw High; 4 Steve Leinberger, Freeland; 5 Bob Gerhardt, St. Peter & Paul's. T—50.8 (KORF RECORD: Beats old mark of 50.6 by Bridgeport's Mike Arnold in 1972).

880 Run — Mike Arnold, Bridgeport; 2 Gary Champagne, Arthur Hill; 3 Brian Becker, Eisenhower; 4 Carlos DeLeon, Saginaw High; 5 Jim Schauman, Bridgeport. T—1:57.9 (KORF RECORD: Beats old mark of 1:58.2 by SSP's Al Martin in 1971).

1 Mile Run — Bill Singer, Eisenhower; 2 Kevin Martin, St. Peter & Paul's; 3 Bob Dyer, Arthur Hill; 4 Matt Hay, Eisenhower; 5 Doug Newman, St. Stephen's. T—4:24.5 (KORF RECORD: Beats old mark of 4:32.2 by SSP's Pat Chernick in 1971).

Two Mile — Paul Zucker, Arthur Hill; 2 Paul Singer, Eisenhower; 3 Kevin Taylor, Eisenhower; 4 Don Law, Bridgeport; 5 Mike Beisel, MacArthur. T—9:35.4 (KORF RECORD: Beats old mark of 9:54.8 by Bridgeport's Craig Voise in 1972).

120 High Hurdles — Henry McClung, Saginaw High; 2 Joey Boyd, Buena Vista; 3 Steve Meyer, Arthur Hill; 4 Paul Bukowski, St. Charles; 5 Dennis Sova, Freeland. T—15.9

100 Low Hurdles — Willie Dawkins, Saginaw High; 2 Joey Boyd, Buena Vista; 3 Henry McClung, Saginaw High; 4 Dennis Sova, Freeland; 5 Fred Dasher, St. Peter & Paul's. T—19.9 (Ties Record of Carrollton's Dean Somerville in 1971).

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MOST HONORED GUEST — Mrs. Beth Korf receives a corsage from Bob Parson, a representative of the Herb Korf Saginaw County Invitational Track Meet committee, prior to the start of the fourth annual

Saginaw News sponsored event Tuesday at Saginaw High's New Alumni Field. Mrs. Korf has been present for all four meets and plans to see many more in the future. (Saginaw News Photo).