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In DIVERSIONS

Delneky seeking second gold medal

Peter Delneky of Northfield will be seeking his second straight gold medal in karate next week when he travels with the United States team to the Pan-American Games in Colombia, South America.

The 15-year-old, a sophomore at New Trier High School, overcame a serious back problem (he missed four months of training and had to wear a back brace) to win the national championship in his age group in July at the U.S. Nationals in Colorado Springs.

Now a veteran of international competition, Delneky hopes to repeat the gold he won a year ago when the Pan-Am event was held in the Dominican Republic. He'll be competing in both controlled fighting (kumite) and forms (kata).

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Blankshain, a fourth grader at Harper School, will be among those participating at the regional test site in Detroit Oct. 11-12. The program is designed to identify gymnasts who have potential to reach the elite level and to provide training opportunities with the Olympic coaching staff.

The top 50 performers will qualify for the national camp.

Ex-New Trier basketball player **Kevin Kaminsky** has transferred from Eckerd College to Carthage College and will be one of 10 newcomers on the basketball roster for Carthage this season.

Kaminsky is a sophomore from Northfield. He did not play basketball at Eckerd last year.

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"I'll still be pretty nervous when I step into the ring, but now I do have more experience working for me," Delneky said. "But even the guys without much experience are just as strong and put out just as great an effort."

"The elevation there is a little bit higher, and the heat will probably be a factor, too. If I don't get the gold, but I know I worked hard and did the best of my ability, then I'll be content no matter what happens."

Delneky's career almost came to an end when he suffered a stress fracture in his lower back, a problem he attributed to too much training.

"At first I thought it was like a cramp and that it would go away, but it just got progressively worse," he said. "I was pushing myself way too hard. I missed four months of training and I was lucky that the bones healed, because there was only a 50-50 chance they would heal."

"I don't really have any substantial problems with it anymore, although it does get tight and cramp up a little from time to time."

Delneky bounced back to earn his third national age group title after previously winning in 1993 and 1995.

"I'm very excited about the Pan-Am Games, and I can't wait to get there," Delneky said. "You really get to experience another culture and meet people who have the same goals that you do."

Nine-year-old **Katie Blankshain** of Wilmette, who trains at the Northbrook Gymnastics Center, has been identified as one of the top gymnasts in her age group by the Talent Op-

Sarah Tueting has taken one step closer to a berth on the first United States Olympic women's ice hockey team after being selected to play a series of games for the U.S. National team.

Tueting, of Northfield, is one of three goaltenders on the team. Only two are expected to earn berths on the Olympic squad.

Former Loyola Academy football player **Tony Affatato** scored a touchdown on a 1-yard run to help John Carroll College defeat Gannon 23-9 in its season opener.

Affatato's touchdown run took place in the third quarter. The senior fullback also caught three passes for 34 yards.

Emily Peters-Limbeck of Wilmette is a member of the Carleton College women's soccer team this fall.

Peters-Limbeck, a 1997 graduate of New Trier, will be attempting to crack a lineup that features 13 returning letterwinners. The Carls racked up a 6-10-2 overall record last year.

Correction

David Walsh was incorrectly identified by Pioneer Press as the long snapper whose miscues led to both of Mount Carmel's touchdowns in a 12-6 loss to Loyola Academy Sept. 12.

Walsh did not assume the snapping duties on punts until the second half of that contest after Mount Carmel had already scored twice.

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