

2006 Romain Buick Evansville Men's Senior City Golf Championship

Paul Gentry Wins '06 Senior City Title

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For Paul Gentry, turning 50 years old doesn't mean he's over the hill. It means he's just starting to thrive. Gentry, who became eligible for the fifth Senior City golf Championship by turning 50 on May 14, was the medalist with a three-under-par 67 on Sunday at McDonald to finish with a two-day total of 136. He defeated second-place Tm Alexander by eight strokes.

"I don't really pay much attention to age," Gentry said. "I've made a couple of minor swing changes. I'm hitting it longer and better than I have in my whole life. It's a matter of practice and good instruction. I've worked hard. I've hit a lot of golf balls. There's only one way to get better and that's through practice."

Gentry, who won his first tournament title of the year, said he was going to delay his celebration. He will compete in the State Amateur qualifier today, which starts at 7:30 a.m. at Cambridge Golf Course near I-164. "I like to win," he said. "That's why I came here, to win. You could win the 'podunk open' and feel good."

Gentry and Alexander were tied at 69 after Saturday's first round at Fendrich. But Gentry began to take control in the latter half of the front nine on Sunday, finishing the day with five birdies and no bogeys. "I just never really put myself in difficulty," Gentry said. "I only missed four fairways. I hit a 60-footer on the green and lo and behold (it went all the way into the cup). I played really solid. I was lucky to play a couple of par fives two under."

Alexander, 57, said Gentry deserved all the accolades. "Paul played beautifully," said Alexander, who shot a 75 on Sunday to end with a 144. "He played great golf and I didn't. It was pretty simple. To shoot a 67 out there today is pretty good. The conditions were a little wet (after a morning rain), but it wasn't that bad. "About the seventh hole he started making birdies and ran away with it. I played like I did (Saturday). I didn't get up and down. I was scrambling. I was all over the place. I'm not striking the ball real well. I've been able to get away with it."

"The turnout of 121 players was about all McDonald could hold", Alexander said. "I think (the Senior City tournament) is great," he said. "The field was filled up. One hundred-twenty one was about all (McDonald) could stand. You can't put any more players that that (on this course)."

Gentry said the conditions were much soggy on Saturday at Fendrich. "There was some mud on the ball, but considering all the rain we've had the conditions (were great)," he said. Jim Atkins finished third with two rounds of 73 for a 146.

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		Rd #1 Sat	Rd #2 Sun	Total
<u>2006 Champion</u>				
Paul	Gentry	69	67	136

Francis Fleming Flight 50 to 54

1	Jim	Atkins	73	73	146
2	Jerry	Knight	73	74	147
T3	Tom	Haines	75	75	150
	Mike	Small	71	79	150
	Steven	Vandiver	76	74	150
6	Steve	Wassmer	77	74	151
T7	Rick	Blankenship	75	77	152
	Rick	Georgette	78	74	152
9	Rick	Wigginton	75	78	153
10	Dave	DeLong	73	81	154
T11	Tony	Bradshaw	77	79	156
	Jim	Crumbaker	80	76	156
13	Brad	Coole	79	78	157
14	Steve	McIntosh	78	80	158
15	Britt	Reddington	76	84	160
T16	Mike	Harding	78	83	161
	Dan	Russell	79	82	161
18	Steve	Hillock	79	84	163
T19	Brad	Johann	83	82	165
	Robert	Miller	75	90	165
T21	Randy	Galloway	78	88	166
	Bill	Sutton	83	83	166
23	Ron	Romain	80	87	167
T24	Harold	Miles	85	84	169
	Steve	Rippy	84	85	169
26	JR	Boyette	82	88	170
27	Mike	Trible	86	86	172
T28	Jim	Mitchell	90	89	179
	Mark	Tucker	87	92	179
30	Doug	Claybourn	87	96	183
31	Martin	Graham	85	99	184
32	David	Stellmach	92	93	185
33	Burl	Bredenkamp	91	97	188
T34	Tom	Deen	89	102	191
	Mike	wingo	97	94	191
36	Stan	Pease	105	100	205
	John	Baburnich	75	WD	WD
	David	Chamberlain	WD	WD	WD

Billie Martin Flight 55 to 59

1	Tom	Alexander	69	75	144
2	Norm	Leach	71	76	147
3	Joe	Hahn	70	78	148

4	Bryan	Compton	75	74	149
5	Dave	Bates	72	78	150
T6	Jim	Cheaney	76	76	152
	Allen	Hite	73	79	152
T8	Tony	Hill	76	77	153
	Jack	Hrvatin	74	79	153
10	Steve	Lutz	76	78	154
T11	Pete	Weinert	75	80	155
	Steve	Zehr	77	78	155
13	Morris	Clark	76	80	156
14	Mike	Morris	80	78	158
T15	Keith	Bagby	79	82	161
	Butch	Racine	80	81	161
	David	Trout	77	84	161
18	Mike	Rhoades	76	87	163
T19	Walter	Farrell	82	85	167
	Bob	Loewen	82	85	167
21	Terry	Babb	87	81	168
22	Bob	Torrence	87	85	172
T23	Tony	Sexton	85	88	173
	Dennis	Vincent	84	89	173
T25	Tommy	Kerchief	85	89	174
	Michael	Nugent	84	90	174
T27	Byron	Courtney	83	92	175
	John	Mazzotti	84	91	175
29	Phil	Wolter	88	88	176
30	Randall	Lientz	90	88	178
31	Ron	Celesnik	91	89	180
32	Don	Brandenberg	86	95	181
33	Mel	Steele	90	95	185
34	Jerry	Yezbick	94	92	186
35	Jerry	Huffman	96	100	196
	Tom	Burdon	78	WD	WD
	Charles	King	WD	WD	WD
	Dannie	Wells	85	WD	WD

Bob Hamilton Flight 60 to 64

1	Ken	Schreiber	76	73	149
T2	Dan	Hewins	72	79	151
	Jerry	Scott	73	78	151
4	Bob	Brownell	75	77	152
5	Tom	McNamara	75	78	153
T6	Ed	Nicholson	75	80	155
	Steve	Pritchett	74	81	155
8	Maurice	Hildebrant	79	83	162

9	Dale	Mills	79	84	163
10	Ralph	Farber	81	83	164
11	Paul	Berryman	79	87	166
T12	Glendle	Darnell	86	87	173
	Larry	Elliott	79	94	173
	Chris	Huus	85	88	173
15	Thomas	Lamey	92	87	179
16	Michael	Viriden	94	89	183
17	Robert	Nida	102	99	201
	Terry	Ashby	83	WD	WD
	Bob	Van Britson	82	WD	WD

Richie Moore Flight 65 - 69

1	Kenny	Fisher	73	80	153
2	George	Green	72	82	154
3	Stan	Tillman	75	80	155
T4	Art	Hall	79	78	157
	Gerald	Jeffries	78	79	157
	Jerry	Schreiber	78	79	157
7	Don	Shull	77	81	158
8	Tom	Mills	78	84	162
9	Jerry	Cravens	82	83	165
10	Sandy	Lee	83	83	166
11	Gene	Jarvis	86	81	167
12	Larry	Gullett	86	84	170
13	Joe	Bitter	82	92	174
14	Raph	Eckardt	91	101	192
15	Charles	Wiley	95	98	193
	Steve	Helfrich	DQ		DQ
	Jim	Flowers	WD		WD
	Harold	Vore	85	WD	WD

Ed Wolfe Flight 70 and Up

1	Don	Partridge	82	78	160
2	Bob	Gerst	80	83	163
T3	Ed	Brundick	88	84	172
	Carl	Myers	85	87	172
5	Tex	Graham	93	91	184
6	Bobby	Ennis	91	96	187
7	Kenny	Brown	94	98	192