

Ohio Hi-Lites



Ohio USBC Women's Bowling Association

Two Ohio USBC WBA Members Honored

Susan Hartley and Karen Morris were inducted into the Ohio Bowling Hall of Fame on Saturday, November 5th at the Embassy Suites in Columbus.

Both were inducted in the Superior Performance category.

Susan Hartley (right in photograph) is a member of the Greater Dayton USBC. She has ten Dayton WBA/Greater Dayton USBC championship titles and has one Ohio USBC WBA championship title.

She was inducted into the Ohio WBA Hall of Fame in 2004 for Superior Performance.



Karen Morris (left in photograph) is a member of the Logan USBC and Southeastern Ohio USBC. She has won two Professional Regional Titles and

was the Lisa Maurice Rookie of the Year Award recipient in 2004. She has an Ohio USBC WBA Championship title and has won numerous other titles in other tournaments throughout the country and many state and local associations' titles.

She was inducted into the Ohio USBC WBA Hall of Fame in 2010.

Also pictured is Emilio Mora, Sr., Defiance USBC BA member and inductee, for superior performance.

- Jean Tondola-Smith

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Good Sportsmanship

By Jean Tondola-Smith

President's Message

Sportsmanship is defined as the fact or practice of participating in sports, conduct and attitude

considered as befitting participants in sports, especially fair play, courtesy and striving spirit. Some people define good sportsmanship as the "golden rule" of sports – in other words, treating the people you play with and against as you'd like to be treated yourself. You demonstrate good sportsmanship when you show respect for yourself, your teammates, and your opponents.

Everyone feels great when they win, but it can be just as hard to be a good sport when you've won a game as when you've lost one. Good sportsmanship takes maturity and courage.

It's pretty tough to lose, so it

definitely doesn't help matters if someone continues taunting you or your team after the competition is over.

A competitor who exhibits poor sportsmanship after losing a game is often called a "sore loser" and those who show poor sportsmanship after winning are typically called "bad winners". Behavior includes blaming others, not taking responsibility for personal actions, reacting immaturely or improperly, making excuses for one's loss, referring to unfavorable conditions or other petty issues.

I think that most of us who are reading this article are recreational bowlers. Very few of us call bowling our career. I believe all of us should show good sportsmanship when we go to the center for our recreational night of league bowling. Sure, we all like to win and to bowl

well, but let's always remember to conduct ourselves in a mature manner when we have bowled extremely badly for the evening and our team has lost all of the games. Let's all remember bowling is supposed to be fun and enjoyable to participate in and remember that the next time you go to the center, you will probably have a better evening. Let's not practice good sportsmanship just during the holiday season, but let's all try to practice good sportsmanship all of the time.

It is very hard to realize that the bowling season is almost half over for the year and that the holidays are very near.

I would like to wish each of you and your families a happy "Holiday Season" and healthy and great 2012.

God Bless You All!

IN MEMORIUM

The Ohio USBC WBA wishes to extend our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the members we've lost.

Our sincere apologies for the error in last edition's "In Memorium" section. The photos of Helen Grace and Ann Abbott were inadvertently reversed.

*In warm appreciation of our
association,
we extend our Best Wishes for a
Happy Holiday Season and a New
Year filled with Peace, Joy and
Success*

*Ohio USBC WBA
Board of Directors*

*Jean Tondela-Smith
Lois Paulsen
Carol Taylor
Keith A. Stewart
Lang Tombaugh
Mary McChay*

*Barbara Mathess
Janis Miller
Julia Rhodes
Kathy Wingate
Patricia Cruce*

FUN DAY!

- Nancy Frombaugh & Barb Holloway

The day started with the tournament. There were 112 bowlers competing this year from 19 associations. This year, Jill Amoss of Cleveland, with a handicap series of 751, was the winner. The prize fund of \$1,105.00 was shared by 26 bowlers.

If you missed this year's Fun Day Tournament come to Poelking Marian Lanes in Huber Heights on July 28, 2012 for the Fun Day Tournament.



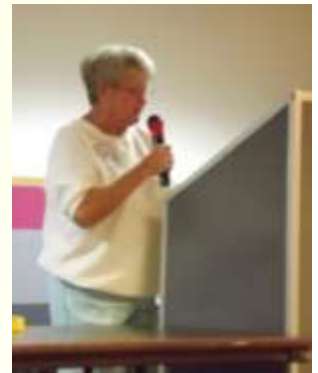
During the roundtable, 143 members attended, representing 24 associations. The roundtable was started with Barb Holloway and Joy Kellenbarger leading us in song, with Karen McCray and Jill Amoss providing the 'kick line'. Watch out Rockettes!



After roundtable, President Jean Tondola-Smith welcomed all in attendance. (The podium was a bit tall - can you see the top of Jean's head?)



Ruth Heath-Trott then performed the Installation of Officers and Directors, followed by the Fun Day Tournament results announcements, the Exhibition bowling match, and then the games began!



We had miniature putt-putt and Bingo games for all in attendance.



Fun Day provides Ohio's "Elite" Teams (cough, cough) Exhibition Match

- Lori Gillen

Those who attended Fun Day were given the opportunity to watch some of Ohio's elite bowlers in action during the Ohio USBC WBA Board of Director's Pod A vs. Pod B Exhibition Match. **You know I'm kidding, right?**

After the ceremonial coin flip to determine which team would start the match, and with Kathy Wingerter providing her services as game announcer and chief heckler (and who has always freely admitted that **she's a much better coach than a bowler; however, there wasn't any amount of coaching that could help these bowlers**), the team from Pod A consisted of:

- ⇒ Rosie Taulbee, Pod A Chair (who has "signature" shoes that highlight "team" members who did not **score higher than she did and have to sign her shoe... Rosie went to the POD Match with hopes of bowling well and gaining elite signatures... She states that she had fun and walked away with no new signatures... :-)**)
- ⇒ Carol Taylor (whose credentials include her fabulous nails - always so perfect. While being filmed for TV at Nationals, Carol stuck on the approach and fell. Her teammate congratulated her on the most graceful fall she had ever seen. And, Carol has the ability to carry almost everything she owns in that wee little tiny wallet-thing she calls a purse.)
- ⇒ Barb Holloway (whose credentials include the ability to bowl with 2 left feet, also has the hot flashes from hades, and although Barb is no longer on our board, she has bequeathed her hot flashes to the rest of us. Thanks alot, Barb!)
- ⇒ Ruth (Cooky) Stewart (credentials include a possible tie with Pat Cruea for being the most vertically challenged member of our board (we need to get them in a side-by-side picture to see who takes the title.)
- ⇒ Mary McClay (has managed to roll a 300 and carry a 200 average while tripping up the step leading to the approach and smashing her fingers in the ball return. Yes, she is a certified lane inspector and has worked with the youth so she should know better than to stick her hand in the ball return. I guess she truly is a blonde!!)



The team from Pod B consisted of:

- ⇒ Lori Gillen, Pod B Chair and Team Handicap (whose credentials include the ability to multi-task - not always successfully; proudly proclaims 4 entire bowling seasons with-**out falling (not consecutively), and bowls 300 games all the time (in her sleep)...**)
- ⇒ Pat Cruea (possibly the most vertically challenged member of our team and our spreadsheet queen! **If only her bowling ball cooperated as well as her spreadsheets do (most of the time), she'd be on the pro tour!**)
- ⇒ Nancy Frombaugh (whose credentials include not only the ability to bowl and golf well, but the ability to raise money for her fund-**raisers like nobody's business!**)
- ⇒ Jean Tondola-Smith (our fearless leader, who started the match claiming victory. No pressure, there, Jean - nope, none at all! **Jean's many, many talents might not always lead to bowling the highest scores, but** our head kahuna has the ability to pull a group of women together to accomplish feats that no man would ever dare try.)
- ⇒ Julia Rhodes (whose credentials include the highest average on our team, so she earned the anchor position, not to mention being a planning guru!)



The atmosphere during the exhibition match was fun, with cheering, applauding, boos (between the teams) and a lot of no-holds-barred heckling as the ladies bowled strike after strike - NOT! During the two-game Baker format match there were seven whole strikes thrown by the bowlers. However - there were no gutter balls thrown and no one fell! That was possibly the greatest accomplishment of the match!

At the conclusion of this masterful display of lack of bowling talent, the POD B ladies came out on top with a combined score of 330 to **Pod A's 288! POD B RULES!!!**



Installation of Officers & Directors

On July 23rd, during Fun Day, the recently elected & appointed Officers and Directors of the Ohio USBC WBA were installed by Ruth Heath-Trott, Life Member. Ruth presented the following:



“Chocolate – It’s so satisfying and it’s been around for centuries. In North America, the Indians initially used cacao, the bean used in making chocolate, as a food and beverage source as well as a medium of exchange.”

“During the conquest of Mexico, Spanish soldiers discovered cacao and took it back to Europe. By the mid 17th Century serving chocolate in England became a symbol of hospitality, similar to the serving of tea and coffee. Chocolate’s popularity greatly increased after vanilla and sugar were added in order to take away the bitter taste.”

“Eventually chocolate came to the United States, and 1765 the first chocolate mill was established in North America at Dorchester, Mass. Today, with the countless varieties on the market, chocolate is a booming business.”

During Ruth’s presentation, she installed the officers and directors of the Ohio USBC Women’s

Bowling Association and presented each with candy bars as they were installed. “Just as each candy bar has different ingredients, each officer and director of this association has specific duties.”

“Although each candy bar used this afternoon is unique, they all share one common ingredient – chocolate. Likewise, even though your association officers and directors perform different tasks, they share the same goals.”



“President Jean-Tondola-Smith: The president of an organization leads the association. You will preside at all meetings, appoint committees and chairmen and follow up on all association details to ensure things are being done properly and on time. Great trust has been placed in you by your election to the highest office of the Ohio USBC WBA. To you we look for unselfish leadership that will inspire success and harmony during your term of office. You are now the principal star of this association’s galaxy. May this “Milky Way” help you lead and shine brightly.”

“Directors Kathy Wingerter and Ruth Stewart: As members of the board of directors of this associa-

tion, you will have general supervision of its affairs and the responsibility to see that member services are performed in the best interests of the membership. May these packages of “M & Ms”, help you select a variety of programs. Let them assist you in planning successful programs that will interest the entire membership.”

“1st Vice President Rosie Taulbee: You are the right hand of the president. Work with her, support her. Be ready to lighten her load whenever possible. Familiarize yourself with the association Bylaws and procedures. Your job is combining great flavor combinations into one. May this package of “Peanut Butter Cups” help you tackle all of your future duties.”

“2nd Vice President Patricia Cruea: You are the president’s left hand. Work with her, support her. Work with the board to provide a variety of programs for the diverse membership. In this office you will receive valuable leadership training. You will find some of the association’s programs plain while other are real nutty. May these packages of “M & Ms”, plain and nutty, help you in the selection of association programs.”

“Sergeant-at-Arms Barbara Mathess: As Sergeant-At-Arms you can generate the difference in making members of this associa-



tion welcome. We all are charged with certain duties and when you can perform yours in an efficient yet friendly atmosphere, you are extending the association to the membership. May this “Symphony” help you maintain perfect harmony between the association and the membership.”

“Association Manager Mary McClay: Association managers are often forgotten souls of an organization. Your work will at times seem insurmountable. But you will find the job to be one of the most

rewarding. You can be the catalyst of this association by keeping the records, accurate minutes which are an essential part of our history, and handling our finances. May this “Mounds” help you in your efforts in taming the mountain of paperwork and this “Pay Day” assist you in meeting all the association’s financial obligations.”

“Directors Carol Taylor, Nancy Frombaugh, Julia Rhodes and Lori Gillen: The directors of this association have under their care the general supervision of all its affairs and the responsibility to see that membership services are performed in

the best interest of the membership. May these “M & Ms” help you select the variety of programs that will most impact our membership.”

“A popular trio from France had a famous saying. May their slogan “One for all and all for one,” always be your association theme.”

“May these “3 Musketeers” candy bars remind you that we all share a common goal.”



Scholarship Deadline

- Barb Mathess

The Ohio USBC WBA is asking you to help spread the word about our scholarship. The scholarship in the amount of \$3,000.00 will be presented for the academic year (2011-2012) to a member of the Ohio USBC WBA or female member of the Ohio USBC State Youth, who is at least a senior in high school and will be enrolled as a full-time student in an institution of higher learning in the fall of 2012. The scholarship may be used for tuition, room and board, books, or other items incidental to higher education. You may contact the state office or visit our website (www.ohiowba.com) for applications.

The Ohio USBC WBA is asking all associations/and or members to consider making a donation to the scholarship fund through our Pledge Program. All donations are appreciated and you can be proud that you have helped a student further her education.

The deadline date for applications is **MARCH 15, 2012.**

This year's recipient was Nicole Mosesso, a graduate from Centerville High School, who is attending Vanderbilt University.

FUN DAY 2012

The Ohio USBC WBA will be sponsoring another Fun Day Roundtable, July 28, 2012 at Poelking Marian Lanes in Dayton, Ohio. We will be holding the Tournament, a Roundtable/Luncheon, & Fun Activities.

We heard your comments on what you liked and disliked. We listened to you and are striving to make this day more pleasurable, informative, and enjoyable for all who attend by asking for any ideas, suggestions, or topics that you would like to know more about in the future. Please contact Julia Rhodes, julestar@embarqmail.com, with your suggestions.

We are working to improve last year's experience. Please join us in Dayton.

- Julia Rhodes, Roundtable Chair



Recognize your volunteers!

As we all know, our local associations wouldn't be effective for our memberships without our hard-working volunteers. Why not recognize them in this special way?

Applications were mailed to all local associations in October for the Outstanding Board Member and Length of Service Certificates awarded by the Ohio USBC WBA, and are also available on the Ohio USBC WBA's website: www.ohiowba.com.

To be eligible for the Outstanding Board Member Certificate, the person must be currently serving on the local board, have been a board member or

Association Manager for at least five years, and have made significant contributions to the local association during the past season. Only one name per association may be submitted each year.

To be eligible for the Length of Service Certificate, the person must be currently serving on the local board and have been an active member for at least 20 years. More than one member of the board may qualify for this recognition.

- Lori Gillen

**OHIO USBC WBA CONVENTION WEEKEND
2012
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Quality Inn and Conference Center
383 E. Leffel Lane
Springfield, OH 45505
937-323-5389**

FEBRUARY 24, 2012 Friday	7:00 – 10:00 p.m.	DELEGATE WELCOME PARTY BBW EXCHANGE MART
	8:00 – 10:00 p.m.	DELEGATE REGISTRATION
FEBRUARY 25, 2012 Saturday	8:00 a.m.	BBW MEETING
	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	RELATED CLUBS BREAKFAST AND AWARDS PRESENTATIONS
	11:00 a.m.	OHIO LOCAL ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTS CLUB MEETING
	11:00 a.m.	OHIO ASSOCIATION MANAGERS CLUB MEETING
	11:00 a.m.	BVL LOCAL CHAIRPERSONS MEETING
	11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	DELEGATE REGISTRATION
	1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	OHIO USBC WBA ANNUAL WORKSHOP
	3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	NEW DELEGATES RECEPTION
FEBRUARY 26, 2012 Sunday	6:30 p.m.	GET-ACQUAINTED DINNER Cocktails 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:30 p.m.
	9:00 a.m.	HOSPITALITY ROOMS Following Dinner Rooms to Be Announced
FEBRUARY 26, 2012 Sunday	9:00 a.m.	DELEGATE REGISTRATION Inside Meeting Room
	10:00 a.m.	OHIO USBC WBA ANNUAL MEETING
	10:10 a.m.	MEMORIAL SERVICE

**DELEGATES ARE REQUIRED TO REGISTER WITH THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE.
2011-2012 USBC CERTIFICATION CARD IS REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION.
YOU MUST BE AN OHIO USBC WBA MEMBER TO SERVE AS A DELEGATE.**

BVL Bowler's to Veterans Link



Ladies, please join us February 24, 2012, Friday evening at the Exchange Mart during the start of the convention. We would like to collect items to send to the Ohio veteran homes, clinics and hospitals. Items needed are clothing, greeting cards, postage, board games and more. There will be a jar for monetary donations. Last year we sent out six (6) boxes of items to four (4) different locations.

Don't forget the summit on Saturday morning held at 11am. Bring your ideas to share of ways to help raise funds or stories of a veteran in your community.

- Nancy Frombaugh

Tiki Lanes Welcomes Seniors!

- Barbara Mathess and Mary McClay

Tiki Lanes in Lancaster was the host for the 31st annual Ohio USBC WBA Senior tournament. This year we had 681 participants representing 56 local associations. Thank you to all the women who participated in this year's tournament and we hope to see you again in 2012 and 2013 at Tiki Lanes. Entries will be mailed or available in July 2012.

Congratulations to this year's winners:

- Division 1 - Lil Miller, Woodsfield
- Division 2 - Charlotte Musser, Summit Co.
- Division 3 - Judith Feeney, Defiance
- Division 4 - Tommie Lyons, Cleveland
- Division 5 - Janice McKinnie, Summit Co.

Our champions will have the opportunity to participate in the national senior tournament to be held July 9 & 10 in Reno, Nevada.

We send a big thank you to Greg Russell, proprietor at Tiki Lanes, and his staff, for their help and support during our tournament.

(Please note these results are not official and are subject to change. Press time is just a few days after the tournament ended, so additional information must be verified, etc. before the results can be made official. Complete results will be available on our website: www.ohiowba.com)...



SEND IN YOUR QUEENS TOURNAMENT ENTRY!

Have you submitted your Ohio USBC WBA Queens entry yet? If not, make sure it's on the top of your To-Do List, as the deadline of December 15th is rapidly approaching!

The 26th Annual Queens Tournament will be held at Tiki Lanes in Lancaster on January 14 & 15, 2012.

This prestigious tournament is open to all Ohio USBC WBA members who average 170 or higher in any USBC certified league. This is a double elimination tournament with the ladies rolling a minimum of six games. The entry fee is \$90.00.

Make plans now to bowl with the 'best of the best' in Ohio. Entry forms can be obtained through all Ohio local associations, the Ohio USBC WBA state office, or you can download an entry form from our website: www.ohiowba.com.

If you would like additional information, please contact the Ohio USBC WBA office by calling 937-436-2695 or by contacting chairperson, Lori Gillen at 740-968-0003 or lorigillen@hotmail.com.

- Lori Gillen

Buckeye Belles

to compete in Toledo!

Local associations are urged to send their Actual and Handicap All Events Champions to the 36th Annual Tournament. This year will mark the 4th Annual Handicap Buckeye Belle Tournament.



Associations: mark your calendar for May 19, 2012. The tournament will be held at Southwyck Lanes in Toledo.

Entries will be sent to all associations. Entry deadline is May 1, 2012. If the Actual and Handicap All Events winner have not been determined by May 1, 2012, the previous year's winner may entered, provided she did not participate in the 2011 tournament. If the Actual and Handicap All Events winners are unable to attend, you may send the alternate next in line.

For information, please contact Nancy Frombaugh, 330-725-5209 or the Ohio USBC WBA State office, 937-436-2695.

- Nancy Frombaugh

Attention First Time Delegates!



We've all had to do something for the "First Time". It can be a stressful time - we know! That's why we would like to make your "First Time" as a Delegate as stress-free as possible.

The Ohio USBC WBA will be hosting a reception for you after the Annual Workshop on Saturday, February 25, 2012 at the Quality Inn and Conference Center in Springfield, Ohio, starting at 3:45 pm. Additional information will be available in your Delegates packet.

Please bring any questions or concerns you might have with you. We look forward to meeting with you and answering any questions you may have.

- Lori Gillen

RELATED CLUBS BREAKFAST AND AWARDS CEREMONY!

The Ohio Association Managers Club will be hosting the Related Clubs Breakfast on February 25, 2012 at 9:00 am at the Quality Inn in Springfield, Ohio. The cost is \$15.00 per person. The breakfast menu will consist of: Scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, pastries, orange juice, coffee, & hot tea. Send your paid reservation forms to Julia Rhodes, Ohio Association Managers Club, 1024 Haley St., Van Wert, Ohio 45891.

All of the awards from the Exchange Mart, President's Club & Association Managers Clubs will be presented

during this breakfast. Please be there to honor the recipients of these awards.

For more information, contact Julia Rhodes at julestar@embarqmail.com, telephone 419-238-5942 or mail: 1024 Haley St., Van Wert, OH 45891. You may also contact Jo Dimond, President, at 614-237-3716 or email cba300@sbcglobal.net.

We look forward to seeing you in February.

- Julia Rhodes



Can you guess what this is?

See page 19 for the answer.

Emmamae Beckman

In 1963, Emmamae Beckman became a Director of the Ohio WBA. She continued that role until 1972 when she became the 1st Vice President and continued in that role until 1975.

Why this bit of history? I wanted to find out what the Ohio WBA was like when Emmamae was 1st VP compared to today so I sent her multiple questions. She lives in Florida (a place I love) and she recently returned my questionnaire. Her answers follow:

Elections: As it turns out, the process in 1972 also included a Nominating Committee. We are in search of the 1972 annual meeting packet, if YOU have one we would love to review it.

I asked if she ever ran for President and she indicated “NO”.

I asked how it felt to be the only lady from Cincinnati to have achieved 1st VP and she indicated Ann Wood was a higher officer (honored) for many years. Ann Wood became Director in 1943 and was elected 2nd VP in 1951, until 1961. She indicated Ann Wood and Ruth Linaman were very capable officers. I can relate to that feeling as ladies came to the Board meetings, tournaments and Annual Meeting and shared information, encouraged individuals and helped teach new people “how” and “why” the process was approved.

She indicated that she worked the Championship Tournament when needed. She did attend the Tournament when it was held the first time in Cincinnati in 1951. My first time working the State Tournament was 1986 when I was appointed to the Gr Cincinnati Board of Directors. I was assigned the “Tournament Tattler” and each week typed the information on a typewriter and took it to a printer to have the copies made and they were available at the hotels, bowling centers and a mailing list.

I asked why Cincinnati did not bid for another tournament after 1951 and Emmamae indicated other cities were eager to host. I am especially very proud of the Board and volunteers who gave Gr. Cincinnati their time, skills and efforts to have hosted the 2006 and 2011 State Championship Tournaments. We



currently have very few Ohio Local Associations who submit bids for future tournaments, whether it is the Seniors, Queens, or the Championship Tournament.

I asked if she had the fear in her stomach to preside at a Board or Annual meeting: She replied she never needed to preside at the Annual Meeting.

Her reply to the mission of the Ohio WBA, she indicated Mem-

bership, Awards, Programs and Tournaments. Forty years later, the Ohio USBC WBA has the same mission.

While she indicated her memories of her years on the Board are blurred due to old age, she indicated she enjoyed every minute of her terms, meeting bowlers from various cities in Ohio and WIBC and tournament honors. She’s always glad to hear the latest in our sport and enjoys the Ohio Hi-Lites immensely. I personally can ditto Emmamae’s comment.

I would like to personally thank Emmamae for reminiscing with me, I would love for her to attend a future Annual Meeting but understand that travel is difficult. She is volunteering at a nursing home and I just bet everyone there appreciates her presence. Do you think she has a bowling kit for the residents?

- Rosie Taulbee, FACMPE

BUCKEYE FIVE "500" BOWLING CLUB

The 22nd Annual Tournament and meeting was held September 18, 2011 at Western Bowl in Columbus.

There were 33 bowlers from nine Associations: Chillicothe (12), Wooster (5), Warren (4), Elyria (3), McCook (3), Southeastern Ohio (2), Bryan (1), Dover-New Philadelphia (1), and Central Ohio (1). There were nine first-time State 500 bowlers in the tournament.

Winners, their association and scores are:

Patricia Swisher of Wooster - 592
Jackie Brown of Warren - 584
Patricia Brenner of Central Ohio - 581
Pauline McGoogan of McCook - 581
Jean Wilson of Bryan - 578
Sandy Skaggs of Chillicothe - 567
Jean Cunningham of Southeastern Ohio - 554

Plaques were awarded for high scores for each game:

Game 1 - Patricia Swisher - 171

Game 2 - Patricia Brenner - 204

Game 3 - Sandy Skaggs - 196

A plaque was also presented to Western Bowl and their staff for hosting the tournament.

A Life Member honor was presented to Shirley Anderson. Shirley has been a member of the Buckeye "500" Club for 22 years. An etch glass vase was given for her faithful years of service. She has held the office of Director, Secretary and Treasurer.

The 2012 tournament will be held at Shawnee Lanes, Chillicothe, with Freeway Lanes, Warren, hosting the 2013 tournament.

- Kathy Lanzer, Secretary

Honor Roll for the 2011-12 Season

(based on information received prior to November 1, 2011)

300 Games

Joy Arrigo - Central Ohio	9/18/11
Abrea Johnson - Central Ohio	9/27/11
Barbara Palmer - Cleveland	10/1/11
Lisa Van Metre - Delphos	3/17/11
Terrie Latourette - Lake-Geauga	9/24/11
Amy Huey - Washington CH	6/18/11

800 Series

Brooke Summers - Gr. Toledo - 822	4/18/11
Abbey Bennett - United - 803	10/11/11
Amy Huey - Washington CH - 802	6/18/11

Reminder: If your name was not listed on our Honor Roll for the 2011-12 Season and you feel it should have been, the information was either not submitted to the Ohio USBC WBA State Office by your Local Association Manager, or it was received after publication deadline of November 1.

Buckeye 600 Bowling Club News



The Buckeye 600 Bowling Club will hold its 35th Annual Singles Handicap Tournament on June 16, 17, 23 & 24, 2012 at Kent Lanes in Kent, OH. Entry fee is \$25.00, which includes Buckeye 600 Club dues if not paid during your District 600 Club tournament. The District Champions Roll-off will be held Sunday, June 24, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

The 600 and 700 Clubs will co-sponsor a Scotch Doubles Tournament on June 16th and June 23th. This tournament is open to all Ohio USBC WBA female members. It will also be held at Kent Lanes. Advance entries are encouraged, but walk-ins will be accepted, based upon lane availability. Advance entry fee is \$25.00 per doubles team.

Entries and information will be sent out the beginning of April, and you can also visit our website: www.buckeye600.com

For additional information, contact: Alice Snider, Secretary (740) 654-1176, alicesnider@att.net or Pat Cruea, President (937) 663-0229, pcruea@windstream.net.

- Lori Gillen



Ohio Women's 700 Club News

The Ohio Women's 700 Bowling Club held its fall Board of Directors meeting to set the foundation for the 30th annual tournament in 2012. Entries will be sent to active members and will be available on our website: www.ohio700club.com

The tournament will be held June 23, 2012 at 10:00 AM at Kent Lanes in Kent, with the annual meeting to follow. Business of the club will be conducted during this annual meeting. In addition, elections for Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer and six Directors will be held.

If you are interested in seeking election and meet the qualifications, please contact Joy Kellenbarger at seohusbc@aol.com or Lori Gillen at lorigillen@hotmail.com.

The Ohio Women's 700 Bowling Club is looking for you!

Have you bowled a scratch 700 series in a certified league or tournament? If so, we invite you to join this prestigious club! Please contact any board member for further information regarding our club or our annual tournament. You can also visit our new website: www.ohio700club.com to find out more about us!

- Lori Gillen

Ernst Lanes - First 300 by a Woman!



In 1960, Ernst Lanes in Chardon, OH opened its doors to the bowling community. Little did they realize that 50 years later, only one woman would achieve the ultimate - a 300 game! On February 10, 2011, Kim Bowe became that woman!

Kim started bowling at the age of 18, at Colonial Lanes in Bainbridge Twp. with her parents. She was bitten by the bowling bug and has been involved with the game ever since. Over the

past 20 years, Kim has bowled in several leagues each season, entering tournaments on all levels and manages to carry an average in the 190s. Kim is also a member of the Lake-Geauga USBC WBA board.

For Kim, February 10th started out like any other bowling night. She, her mother Pat Bowe, and her sister Kelly Beech had dinner and went to bowl their Thursday night league. Games one and two were pretty uneventful for Kim. She didn't even break 200. But then, according to her mom, 'she found her mojo'. "I was bowling next to her and when I saw she had a string of strikes, I stayed away. I didn't want to jinx her. Then, she hit the first strike in the 10th, and then the next one! We were all nervous at that point."

Kim said: "Once I hit the first strike in the 10th frame, I thought "Ok, I've been here before", having had a 278 and 279 previously. "When I got up for the 11th and 12th balls, my knees

were shaking and my heart was pounding. I'm thinking, this is so close to being real."

Kim said she knew the final ball was a strike - she just felt it. According to Manager Carol Creagh, "she threw a beautiful ball that night. There wasn't an ugly one in the bunch. It's even more exciting for the fact that she is the first!"

Kim received a plaque from the Lake-Geauga USBC WBA, presented by President, Joy Roof. She also received a jacket from the house, presented by Joe Ernst, owner. The jacket displays the words: First Woman to Bowl a 300 at Ernst Lanes.

She also received her much anticipated 300 ring from USBC. This was presented to her by her mother. "After all", Pat said, "I taught her everything she knows!"

- Linda LeMay

United USBC WBA - First 800 Series!

Tuesday, October 11, 2011 is a date for the United USBC WBA and St. Clair Lanes in St. Clairsville, OH's history books.

Abbey Bennett of Martins Ferry rolled the first 800 series by a woman! With games of 289, 258 and 256, her 803 series trounced the previous high of a low 700 series, set a few years ago. Abbey comes from a bowling family and those of us who have watched her bowl over the years knew it was only a matter of time.

Speaking with Abbey after an awards presentation for winning the District 6 - 600 Club Tournament, I asked her how she felt during that Tuesday night of the Bordas & Bordas ladies league. Abbey replied: "I was so excited



about halfway through the 3rd game when I realized I had my first 700 series!" (Yes, her first 700 series!) "It wasn't until the end of that game, and my teammates were yelling and hugging me, that I realized I had bowled an 800 series!" Abbey is one of the few bowlers to my knowledge who

went straight from a 600 series to an 800, bypassing the 700s altogether!

In addition to also serving on the United USBC WBA board of directors, Abbey also mentioned a few interesting tidbits. Her brother's first 800 was also an 803, and coincidentally, Abbey's birth date is 8/03.

Abbey credits her parents, Chuck and Patty Bennett, for always being there and supporting both she and her brother, her competitive nature, increasing her ball weight by two pounds and changing her approach from nine steps (yes, twinkletoes) to a 4-step approach.

Abbey was presented with flowers by United's President, Louise Boyd, and will also be honored when her 800 awards are presented at a later date.

- Lori Gillen

District 1 - 600 Club



The District #1 600 Club held its 39th Annual Tournament at AMF Sportsman Lanes in Findlay, Ohio, October 15th & 16th, 2011.

This year we had 38 entries, down by 14. The Saturday squad, starting at 2 PM, had 12 bowlers with an unofficial high of 685 at the end of bowling. On Sunday, starting time at Noon, we had 24 bowlers with 2 no shows. At the end of the squad, the Findlay Area 600 Club ladies served a wonderful luncheon. An open meeting followed the luncheon.

Betty Rider, Nominating Chair, presented the following slate of candidates, who were all elected:

President – Robin Mantey - Toledo,
Treasurer - Liz Vaculik – Toledo,
Sergeant at Arms - Pam Oates –
Findlay, Director #1 - Paula Leonard
- Findlay.

The 2012 tournament will be held at Twin Oakes Lanes in Toledo, Ohio, on Oct. 20th & 21st. Watch for more details in the future or check out our website at www.District1-600.webs.com.



The District #1 600 Club handicap winner this year was Carol Yeager with a 685 handicap series. Carol has earned the honor to represent the District #1 in the annual District Roll-

off to be held in June of 2012 at Kent Lanes in Kent, OH.

The District #1 600 Club actual division was won by Shelley Ambroza, from the Lima District USBC WBA, with a 564 series.



Sharon Edwards was elected Member Emerita to the District #1 600 Club. All tournament participant names were entered into a drawing for a free entry into next year's tournament. The free entry was won by Karen Zumfelde.

Congratulations to all of these ladies.

- Julia Rhodes, Secretary

One Bowler – Two Passions

Kathy Iliff of the Lake-Geauga USBC WBA has two passions. The first, of course, is bowling.

For over 25 years, Kathy has been a league secretary for several leagues. She has been the VP of the Lake-Geauga women's board for several years and handles the Local Award Committee. She currently bowls in two leagues, and has also been a delegate to several State and National Conventions over the years. Kathy has participated in many local, state and national tournaments. Much of her time has been dedicated to the sport of bowling.

This love of bowling carries Kathy into what has become her second passion – Lifebank (an organization which promotes the donating of vital organs).

In 1989, Kathy received a heart transplant, and then in 2001 she also received a kidney transplant. Realizing



how these organs saved her life, Kathy decided to share this valuable information. Kathy and her husband, Walt (her kidney donor!), go to schools, churches and hospitals to help people realize how putting an "X" in the organ donor box can offer a new life to many individuals.

These two passions came together for Kathy in the US Transplant Games. Kathy, of course, entered the bowling tournament portion of the competition. Her skills came into play, allowing her to win the GOLD in 2006, 2008 and again in 2010!

Her husband was there to witness her achievement and was able to present Kathy with her medals.

- Linda LeMay

Ohio Association Managers Club

The Ohio Association Managers Club is looking for all association managers to share information. Our membership dues are \$3.00 per year. We will be hosting a meeting on Saturday, February 25, 2012 at the Quality Inn in Springfield, Ohio. Please feel free to join us.

We will be seeking nominations for the following offices: Secretary/Treasurer & Director #5 & 6.

We are also seeking applications for the prestigious **Gene Myers Award** to honor your association managers or past secretaries. This award will be presented during the Related Clubs Breakfast during the Ohio USBC WBA state convention in February, 2012.

If you have an outstanding manager, please have someone in your association submit their name.

Our website address is: www.ohioamclub.com.

For more information, contact Julia Rhodes at julestar@embarqmail.com, telephone 419-238-5942 or mail: 1024 Haley St., Van Wert, OH 45891. You may also contact Jo Dimond, President, at 614-237-3716 or email cba300@sbcglobal.net.

We look forward to meeting you in February.

- Julia Rhodes, Secretary

District 6 - 600 Club



The 36th Annual District #6 - 600 Club Tournament was held October 1 & 2, 2011 at Boulevard Lanes in Dover, OH, hosted

by the Dover-New Philadelphia USBC WBA and 600 Club. Our new tournament format of bowl 4 games, drop your lowest game was well received by the bowlers.

Tournament Champion was declared with Abbey Bennett of United taking top place honors over 73 other entrants.

Abbey shot 848 with handicap and has earned the right to represent District #6 during the Buckeye 600 Bowling Club District Champions Roll-Off in June 2011.

Paying the top 15 places, low in the money was 729. Winning the

President's Award (High Actual Series) with a 716 actual series (games of 258, 158, 244 & 214, dropping her low game 2) was also Abbey Bennett of United. Although Abbey had the actual highest game bowled with a 258,



the Secretary's Award (High Actual Game) was awarded to Chris Kuemerle of Dover-New Philadelphia with her game of 244.

During the annual meeting on Sunday, Nelda Baker of Cambridge was re-elected Vice President; Lori Gillen of United was re-elected Secretary/Treasurer, Karen Rivers of Portsmouth was Buckeye Director #1, and Patti Slunt of McCook was re-elected District Director #1.

Skyline Lanes in Gallipolis and the Gallipolis USBC WBA will host our 37th Annual Tournament on October 6 & 7, 2012. For those Associations or Clubs wishing to bid to host our tournament in 2013, please contact Lori Gillen for additional information, or visit our website: www.District6-600.webs.com.

Our sincere thanks go to the ladies of the Dover-New Philadelphia USBC WBA and 600 Club and the staff of Boulevard Lanes for their tremendous support, assistance and cooperation during our tournament.

- Lori Gillen, Secretary

Buckeye Bowling Writers

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- Stay abreast of current education and research developments.

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