

Barnes Among New Hall of Famers, Award Winners Honored During PBA's 60th Anniversary Celebration



David Mitchell receiving for father Don Mitchell, Ron Mohr and Chris Barnes

Padilla and Lavery-Spahr Win Texas USBC Titles



Brenda Padilla and Sean Lavery-Spahr

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INDIANAPOLIS (Feb. 17, 2018) – On the eve of the finals of the Go Bowling! PBA 60th Anniversary Classic finals at Woodland Bowl, a crowd of more than 300 PBA fans, industry leaders and members of the bowling news

media gathered at the Marriott North for the PBA 60th Anniversary Celebration Dinner to recognize the PBA's three newest Hall of Famers – Chris Barnes, Ron Mohr and the late Don Mitchell; its 2017 award

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Michigan's Tom Smallwood Wins All Four Stepladder Matches to Capture Barbasol PBA Players Championship



Tom Smallwood

COLUMBUS, Ohio (Feb. 25, 2018) – Tom Smallwood of Saginaw, Mich., won four consecutive stepladder finals matches, including the title match against defending champion Jason Belmonte of Australia, to win the Barbasol PBA Players Championship at

Wayne Webb's Columbus Bowl Sunday for his second major and third career PBA Tour title.

With a 10-pin lead heading into the final frame, the 40-year-old Smallwood struck on his first ball in the 10th to beat Belmonte, 259-239, in the title match for his first tournament win since the 2013 PBA Scorpion Championship.

The victory thwarted Belmonte's attempt for a record-tying 10th major and 17th career tour title. Belmonte was the No. 1 qualifier for the finals, and as top qualifier, needed only to beat Smallwood for the title.

It was an uphill battle for Smallwood for the entire tournament. After finishing 93rd after the first round, he battled back to eventually earn

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GARLAND, TX - Brenda Padilla and Sean Lavery-Spahr won the Bluebonnet Queens and Texas Masters, respectively at AMF Garland Lanes last weekend.

This was the first Bluebonnet Queens title for Padilla after finishing second to Lynda Barnes last year, and a fourth place finish in 2016. It was a dominating performance as she won by 301 pins over Maria Jose Rodriguez of Austin.

- 1st Brenda Padilla \$1050
- 2nd Maria J. Rodriguez \$875
- 3rd Kiyoko McDonald \$750
- 4th Stacy Starry \$625
- 5th Heather Whitney \$520
- 6th Anggie R. Perea \$470
- 7th Brandi Stephens \$420
- 8th Mads McDuff \$380
- 9th Sandi Charles \$350
- 10th Stacie Hartsfield \$320
- 11th Debby Oulicky \$290
- 12th Crystal Trahan \$260
- 13th Kimi Davidson \$245

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Johnson & Johnson Win Mid-Winter Doubles at PSB



Champions Stefanie Johnson and Chris Johnson with Runner-ups Mike Donahue and Genie Franklin

PLANO, TX - Chris and Stefanie Johnson teamed to win the 6th Annual Mid-Winter Mixed Doubles tournament at Plano Super Bowl Saturday, Feb. 10.

The champs defeated Mike Donahue and Genie Franklin

239-199 to take home the \$1,700 first prize with the runner-ups earning \$1,200.

In the first stepladder match, Kelly Ray and Michelle Rogers defeated Brian Lohse/Heather Whitney and Tony Thayer/

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Random Thoughts

Tony Franklin, Publisher



E.A.R.L. at the International Research and Training Center

E.A.R.L.'s Journey to 900, episode 10 review.

The Shannon Pluhowsky profile was chosen by The Core subscriber Michael Savage. This time, they chose a different ball from the previous attempt with her, and had more surface on it this time. They had 247 the first game and looked pretty good, but as they moved in, the carry got worse, and lost the pocket on a few shots. They finished with a 683 series and dropped their season average to 238.

As always, the comments section for the video is pure gold. Lots of good feedback, and mostly sharp sarcastic feedback, but truly the folks watching want to see them give

900 a real run. So, what is it going to take?

The big portion of folks think they need a pearl ball and I agree. The main issue with the ITRC is carry, or lack thereof. In order to get some off hits, they will need to see the ball change direction and drive into the pins.

So, next week, I hope they pick a higher rev player, a pearl ball and make it change direction. If not that, then go with more ball speed and a shinier ball from the right side.

Come on boys, let's get E.A.R.L. back in the game!

x-x-x-x-x

As I was watching the Super Bowl, and listening to discussion after, the one topic

that always came up was Tom Brady and his age.

He is still competing at the highest level at the age of 40. He is however, closing in on the finish line. He talks about how much love he has for the game, how everything he does every single day is to prepare to be able to play his game, but very shortly he will not be able to play this game any longer.

That is the same story for almost every athlete in whatever sport they play. There will come a day when you are unable to play and enjoy the

one thing you have done your whole life. You will not be able to enjoy your one true love.

But that is not the case in bowling. You can bowl and enjoy the game as long as you want. If you want to bowl and compete at 50, you go right ahead, 60, no problem, 70, sure have it.

How lucky are we that can enjoy this game for basically our entire life?

I stepped away from bowling for a little over 10 years, but since I've been back the last couple of years, I have

enjoyed it just as much as I ever did. At 46 years old, I think it is rare to be able to enjoy your childhood passion as much as you did when you were a child. But I am, and I am very thankful for that.

For someone like Tom Brady, at 46 he won't be able to, and that's very sad.

I'm very thankful that bowling is a game that we can play forever, and play forever at a high level if you wish.

Bowlers are much more fortunate than we could ever realize.

PBA HOF

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winners and to officially begin a year-long celebration of 60 years of professional bowling at its finest.

Kicking off the evening, PBA CEO and Commissioner Tom Clark introduced PBA's four individual award winners. The entire celebration dinner was live streamed on PBA's online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

PBA Hall of Famer Del Ballard Jr. of Keller, Texas, who converted his own battle with tonsil cancer into a successful, ongoing "Ballard Vs. the Big C" fund-raising program, was selected as the recipient of PBA's Tony Reyes Memorial Community Service Award.

"This is such an honor because Tony Reyes was close to me as his tour rep when he won his PBA title. This award is very humbling," Ballard said. "All I did to earn it was supply the cancer. My wife and friends did the rest."

Ballard's life changed in May 2010 when he was diagnosed with tonsil cancer. One evening after a treatment, the 13-time PBA Tour titlist, wife Carolyn and a handful of friends got together at Ballard's house and laid the groundwork for what would become "Ballard Vs. The Big C" – or BVBC for short. As of 2017, BVBC has raised in excess of \$300,000 to carry out research on cancer



Jason Belmonte, Matt Sanders, Chris Loschetter and Del Ballard, Jr.

treatments focused on the head, neck and throat.

Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, was selected by his fellow competitors as the Steve Nagy PBA Sportsmanship Award winner.

"I bet 10 years ago a lot of didn't think I'd win this award, but I've calmed down," Loschetter said. "I'm in awe of how talented you guys are. Many of you should win this award, and I'm sure some of you will."

It's been an amazing journey and I'm grateful you guys think I'm deserving. I'll try to keep behaving myself on the lanes."

Loschetter, a 37-year-old two-time PBA Tour champion, completed a nine-year quest for his first PBA Tour title in the 2012 Wolf Open in Milwaukee and won his second with the Merica Rooster Illusion team

that won the 2016 PBA Team Challenge title while still in recovery from his own battle with cancer. Loschetter has been a member of the PBA League's Philadelphia Hitmen since the program's inception in 2013.

Matt Sanders, an Evansville, Ind., native now living in Indianapolis, was recognized as the 2017 Harry Golden PBA Rookie of the Year after winning two titles and leading a strong class of PBA rookies in both earnings and average.

"Just coming out here and living my dream is something special," Sanders said. "I was lucky to have an awesome year and I loved every minute of it. Hopefully I can keep doing it."

Sanders, a former two-time NAIA All-American with Marion University-Indiana, was the only rookie to win a

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Tournament Schedule

Date	Tournament Detail	Location
Nov 25-26, 2017	Wild Turkey Mixed Tournament - \$2k added	Cityview
Jan 27-28, 2018	Mixed Doubles - \$3k added	Forum Bowl
Feb 10-11, 2018	Youth City - \$3k added	Cityview
Feb 12-23, 2018	Senior - \$1k added	Mail-O-Graphic
April 21-22, 2018	Ladies City - \$3k added	Cityview
April 29, 2018	Youth/Adult Doubles - \$2k added	Watauga
May 5-6/May 11-12	Open City Championship - \$10k added	Bowlero Euless
July 7-8, 2018	After the Fire Works - Mixed Trios - \$2k added	TBD

Visit our website www.nctusbc.com for tournament entry forms.

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HONOR ROLL



Men

Jim Stephens, Plano Super Bowl.....	847
Josh Burnham, JB's Allen Bowl.....	836
John Reger, Forum Bowl.....	811
Steve Gravie, Pin Center Bowl.....	810
Gavin Wainwright, Killeen Bowlerama.....	801
Jonathan Merriman, Mel's Lone Star Lanes.....	796
Guillermo Espinosa, Tenpins & More.....	790
Ryan Boroff, Cowtown Bowling Palace.....	787
Scott Noll, Strikz.....	781
Chris Fox, Western Bowl.....	779
Keith Desmarais, Hallmark Lanes.....	773
Bobby Holley, Terrell Bowl.....	768
Jonnie Arriago, Rowlett Bowl-A-Rama.....	762
Brad Nixon, Heritage Lanes.....	754
Mike Workman, Red Bird Lanes.....	751
Tice Hopkins, Ennis All Star Bowl.....	644

Women

Dana Miller-Mackie, Tenpins & More.....	815
Stacy Starry, JB's Allen Bowl.....	778
Jelesa Maryland, Forum Bowl.....	773
Danielle Shea, Hallmark Lanes.....	759
Jean Maxson, Killeen Bowlerama.....	738
Jody Muskett, Plano Super Bowl.....	726
Pam Lawrence, Mel's Lone Star Lanes.....	720
Candra Clary, Western Bowl.....	695
Angela Chalmers, Red Bird Lanes.....	682
April Shelton, Cowtown Bowling Palace.....	667
Loren Tenczar, Strikz.....	648
Michelle Montgomery, Heritage Lanes.....	645
Patty Ellington, Terrell Bowl.....	622
Janice Olick, Rowlett Bowl-A-Rama.....	603
Annie Whittington, Ennis All Star Bowl.....	582
Maria Joyner, Pin Center Bowl.....	581
Stacie Parrish, Pin Center Bowl.....	581



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Lawrence and Lesko Take Texas Senior Masters and Queens Titles

The 2018 Texas Scratch Senior Master and Scratch Senior Queens tournaments were held at AMF Garland Lanes in Dallas on January 27th and 28th. This year's contest boasted sixty-six men and thirty-two ladies competing in the annual Texas State USBC event.

Qualifying rounds of eight games were held on Saturday with the top sixteen of each tournament advancing to Sunday's competition. Introducing a new format, semi-finals were completed first on Sunday morning, then the top 8 advanced to the final round, which consisted of an eight game match-play round robin.

The Senior Masters competition was very intense. There was a close pin span between the top two bowlers, Keith Lesko of Prosper and John Burkett of Southlake. The last match was exciting, with each bowler keeping it close, but Lesko hung on to win by sixteen pins taking the crown of Texas Senior Masters, and \$1800 in earnings and an entry to the USBC Senior Masters. Burkett won \$1125 for second.

Using the same format, Pam Lawrence of Austin finished first in the qualifying round to move on to Sunday. After a tough Saturday for all the contestants, Sunday proved a better day, and Pam led through the semi-finals and held the position through the finals to finish first. She was crowned the Texas Senior Queens, cashed for \$600, and will receive an entry to the USBC Senior Queens. Stephanie



Keith Lesko



Pam Lawrence

Calbert finished second and took home \$475.

Other Cashers:

Masters

3rd Jay Nephew	\$925
4th John Chovanec	\$850
5th Michael Austin	\$775
6th Steve Wright	\$700
7th Cordell Wilder	\$625
8th Brian Odom	\$550
9th Dale Lenz	\$500
10th Bubba Haney	\$450
11th Charlie Mills	\$400
12th Mark Williams	\$350
13th Michael Warren	\$325
14th Donald Robinson	\$300
15th David Bates	\$275
16th Larry Hale	\$250

Queens

3rd Teresa Ross	\$400
4th Lisa Wasson	\$350
5th Pattie Fell	\$300
6th Barbara Bias	\$275

7th Gloria Wood	\$250
8th Lisa Goodson	\$235
9th Esther Navarro	\$210
10th Lisa Tipton-Gass	\$195
11th Cindy McBride	\$180
12th Barbara Shaw	\$165
13th Debbie Colby	\$155
14th Pam Candler	\$145
15th Ann Shivers	\$135
16th Lois Abrego	\$125

Texas State USBC thanks all competitors for supporting the tournament. We invite all seniors to participate in the tournament next year on January 26 and 27, 2019, site to be determined. Entries will be available on www.texasbowling.com. Please check our site frequently for information concerning the many TSUSBC tournaments available throughout the year.

At Plano Super Bowl

Stephens crushes 299/847, Muskett blasts 726

S. Lavery-Spahr 842, Johnson 300/835, Wolbert 800, Atkins, Hall 300's, Claus, Martinez 299's

Jim Stephens earned high-set honors for the week at Plano Super Bowl with a dual, award-winning 299-279-269 = 847 Pepsi Classic session.

There was an abundance of high series as Sean Lavery-Spahr fired an 842 Pepsi Classic series while Devin Johnson, from the Tuesday Early Mixed league, shot a 300/835 and John Wolbert followed with an 800 Suds Buster outing.

Jody Muskett, from the Friday Funsters group, fired a blistering 225-243-258 = 726 set to front distaff scoring.

Blane Atkins and Jonathan Hall shared high-game honors with Johnson as each posted award-winning 12-baggers. Andrew Claus and Patrick

Martinez shared runner-up honors with Stephens with near-perfect 299 solos.

HONOR ROLL

Marcus Patterson 289-770, Kelli Spencer 259-700, Patrick Dickson 279-710, Brenda Thomas 212-598, Jason Marquez 289-792, Amanda Bartimus 232-625, Justin Pittsinger (4 games) 255-884.

Natalie Woodward-Hall (4 games) 177-661, Bob Willingham 214-570, Gay Dale 178-484, Sean Jeanes 258-682, Monica Adams 275-579, Otis Whitmore 267-717, Emily Saliee 256-724.

Terry Taylor 286-794, Christy Bricker 258-707, Matt Powell 236-662, Diane Wallentine 204-604, Blane Atkins 785, Susan Lee 214-616, Jim Monroe 235-602, Jean Foland 178-488, Richard Gordon 289-783.

Lori Vermeer 235-661, Karen

Clevenger 204-596, Breanna Kindrick 237-616, Jim Richardson 280-733, Tom Hay 288-724, Glenn Carlin 189-487, Jan Belcher 169-449, Gary Kluempke 268-747.

Sybil Williams 228-613, Diane Wallentine 231-626, Stacy Starry 267-672, Mike Hirtriter 236-598, Emily Ryan 211-524, Gene Foose 257-721, Elisa Retziaff 231-569, Craig Hatzmann 279-760.

Jessica Ford 258-656, John Wolbert 278-769, Jennifer Eckstrom 257-561, Scott Rogers 268-769, Jennifer McDaniels 259-680, Jim Stephens (4 games) 1105, Sandi Joseph (4 games) 255-844.

Ray Montoro 246-722, Breanna Buchanan 259-719, Terry Jones 248-709, Kay Pingsterhaus 229-628, Frank Avitia 269-687, Renee Malone 199-529, David Bailey 265-744.

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Since 2015, Rock Joseph Memorial Scholarship (RJMS) has presented the Rock Joseph Achievement Award in conjunction with the North Central Texas USBC Youth City Championship Tournament. This year we decided to expand the program to include the NTCUSBC Youth/Adult Doubles

Tournament, as well. The Rock Joseph Achievement Award recognizes the boy and girl in each division who has the game that is the most pins over their average for the tournament. Each award winner receives a \$100 scholarship from RJMS. RJMS raises the

money for these scholarships primarily from our annual Rock & Bowl Memorial 9-Pin Tournament. The 2018 Rock & Bowl Tournament will be held on July 28th at Forum Bowl in Grand Prairie.

Congratulations to the 2017 Rock Joseph Achievement Award winners:

- NTCUSBC Youth City Championship Tournament
 - Division 1: Lane Thompson (+ 79 pins), Steffany Brown (+ 53 pins)
 - Division 2: Kyleigh Howard (+ 93 pins, tournament best), Zachary Jennings (+ 69 pins)

- Division 3: Tyler Brooks (+ 72 pins), Savannah Burgin (+ 57 pins)
- Division 4: Kyrah Dunham (+ 67 pins), Landyn Jackson (+ 67 pins), Colin Robben (+ 67 pins)
- NCTUSBC Youth/Adult Doubles Tournament
 - Master/Senior Division:

- Harley Hubler (+ 110 pins), Devin Saenz (+ 85 pins)
- Junior Division: Matthew Reed (+ 115 pins, tournament best), Morgan Davis (+ 82 pins)
- Bantam/Prep Division: Jaidon Alberto (+ 68 pins), Morgan Hopkins (+ 53 pins)
- Bumper Division: Benjamin Bowman (+ 41 pins)



At Strikz

Noll delivers 781, Tenczar lands 648

FRISCO – Scott Noll's hefty 257-278-246 = 781 Monday Mixerz session headed the leader boards for the week at Strikz.

Loren Tenczar, from the Lousy Bowlerz group, posted a rollicking 222-227-199 = 648 set to top the ladies high-set chart.

HONOR ROLL

Seth Moore 214-565, Phillip Bentham 194-562, Kevin Connell 280-583, Bruce Southerland 241-655, Steve Southerland 222-608, Frank Mezzacappa 244-647, Thom Childers 214-566, Robert Marino 211-582.

Chris Marino 232-600, Jeanie Martilla 215-574, Julie Bloodworth 205-532, Candy Torrey 194-525, Billie Bennett 230-594, Don Coble 189-553, Joseph Jimenez 205-564, Cathy Eberly 182-527.

Debbie Colby 190-541, Daniel Anderson 235-576, Ron Shive 222-600, Loren Tenczar 180-522, Gary Lument 226-607, Sherri Lyons 156-449, Debbie Colby 185-519, Debra Gorman 206-521.

June Barnhill 148-434, Jacki Myrice 188-498, Cathy Eberly 156-436, Barbara Schmidt 161-447, Donna Harris 177-458, Marilyn Ditore 158-451, Barbara

Mongeau 155-431, Steve Ray 216-602.

Mark Timm 224-564, Carla Eschberger 194-482, Mike Johnson 237-618, Bobby Prichard 204-589, Daryl Ellis 224-584, Curt Frye 224-635, Peggy Smiley 179-507, Joseph Jeanjacques 222-586.

Debbie Colby 186-533, Ron Shive 224-588, Zo Sexton 244-620, Cathy Eberly 196-541, Jacki Myrice 181-534, Skip Jenkins 242-598, Bruce Richardson 222-614, Paul Mason 229-591, Rick Irvine 247-660.

Jeanie Martilla 224-579, Candy Torrey 212-531, Charlie Phillips 175-484, Ed Stefoniak 167-494, Daryl Ellis 210-552, Danny Robertson 213-563, John Flood 191-538, Skip Jenkins 188-533.

Bruce Eisen 188-520, George Ditore 182-527, Al Brabant 174-490, Bob Wyatt 190-526, Gary Clinton 187-483, Bill Fisher 170-481, Bruce Richardson 242-581.

SENIORS

Jack Greely 171-470, Cher Pokorny 156-435, Zo Sexton 183-490, Eunice Burgess 145-431, Vicki Wilson 178-445, Dan Walters 183-531, Gary Condensa 180-502, Jack Muse 190-510.

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Rio Rancho Rams Win 4th State 6-A Title

The Rio Rancho Rams High School bowling team won their fourth state 6-A championship at Albuquerque's Silva Lanes in a match that went down to the last frame against five-time champions, Cleveland High School Storm Saturday.

Trailing by two pins, Storm anchor, Jake Helmick struck the first ball in the tenth frame to put the pressure on the Ram's Deo Benard, who also threw a strike.

Helmick's next shot, a good delivery, left an 8-pin, meaning Benard needed to "stay out of trouble" with a good count. The 14 year-old passed muster with another deep pocket hit to win 214-201 in arguably the most exciting finish in the twelve year history of the tournament.

It was not an easy road to even get to the championship match for the Rams, after Cleveland had put Rio Rancho in to the loser's bracket in the second match of the day 2-0, on games of 237-149 and 247-241.

The Rams had won their opener over Volcano Vista 2-0 with 218-174 and 199-180, after trailing in game two by five pins with four frames to go. Then the loss to Cleveland meant a "long day at the office" if they were to meet the

pre-tournament expectations as favorites to win following their 9-1 season.

A strong pep talk from long-time head coach, Dana Miller-Mackie and assistant coach, Rick Benard, saw the Rams beat Farmington's Piedra Vista 2-0, 187-183 and 257-194, then endure a solid showing against a revitalized Cibola 2-1, on games of 246-190, 235-238 and 238-220; a match which could easily have gone the other way.

Sandia High, Miller-Mackie's old high school, won the first game in round five 222-217, but had no answer, going down 210-171 and 223-148 to finish third for the second time in three years, setting the stage, now nine hours in to the event, against the winners of the winner's bracket, Storm, whom they would have to beat twice.

The Rams opening game advantage 215-189, disappeared quickly with three open frames in the first five that a strong rally of six strikes from seven shots could not erase, losing 214-233 to set up a must win in the next game, which they did 222-179.

Now tied at one loss apiece in the double elimination format, the stage was set for a very noisy finish as fans from



Front Row l-r: Yarelis Alvarez, Aileen Linares, Luis Garcia, Kallista Fritts, Head Coach Dana Miller-Mackie; Back row: Sport Sponsor Sharon Thompson, Stephen Poswiatowski, Cole Poswiatowski, Assistant Coach Rick Benard, Deo Benard and Ben Groves

both schools made the presence felt - and heard.

Rio Rancho won the first 219-197 and seemingly had it wrapped up leading by 14

pins in the seventh frame. But a pocket hit 7-10 split gave Cleveland a window that saw them win it 204-198 to knot it at 1-1.

In the final game, Ben Groves, winner of the prior week's Senior tournament, left a pocket 6-8 split. He went for

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At Red Bird Lanes

Workman notches 751, Chalmers snags 682

Mike Workman led the scoring race last week at Red Bird Lanes by hammering out hefty 266-259-226 = 751 Tuesday Men's Commercial marks.

Angela Chalmers earned fem scoring honors with a solid 223-204-255 = 682 Bits & Pieces set.

HONOR ROLL

Mary Childres 202-535, Judy Dillabough 189-557, Zachary Wrightsil 244-654, Shannon Vogel (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 300-1071, Lauren Cathey (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 300-1025, Cindy Howell 205-524.

Mary Rappe 195-531, Alex Galeti 219-615, Deanna Hoffman 225-534, Michael Vanegas 235-654, Bret Worley 223-583, Len Cline 248-655, Melvina Howard 233-566, Brian Riddle 233-657.

Rosemary Hunsaker 166-472, Mel Richards 236-643, Cheryl Harris 191-525, Vernon Linicomn 224-595, Tyree Jennings, Jr. 215-605, Sandra Jennings 177-486, Victor Ward 180-490, Dale Shaw 166-441.

Squirt Alexander 236-673, Lauren Cathey 276-676, Tommy Moreland 193-563, Cathy Spurlocck 185-465.

At Ennis All Star Bowl

Hopkins belts 644

Tice Hopkins rocketed to the top of the leader board at Ennis All Star Bowl with a 197-234-13 = 644 Pairs & Spares set.

Annie Whittington, Hopkins league mate, was the leading lady firing off 201-158-223 = 582 numbers in Pairs & Spares league action.

HONOR ROLL

Tice Hopkins (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 250-827, Kayla Tamez (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 242-912, Bobby Kennedy (9 pin, no tap, 4 games)

229-772, April Hopkins (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 221-746.

Nick Brazeal (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 226-759, Mary Kennedy (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 224-676, Rick Lawrence 267-642, Ryne McKenrick 211-580, John Ivey 246-610, April Hopkins 201-519.

John Gray 234-583, Lori Ivey 183-491, Tia Hopkins 234-644, Doug Keffer 201-546, April Hopkins 2133-577, John Gray 211-531, Mary Kennedy 161-420, Nick Brazeal 212-531.

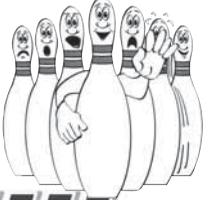


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Newman Women, William Penn Men Win 2018 Hoosier Classic

INDIANAPOLIS - The Newman women and William Penn men showcased their poise in match play Sunday on the way to victory at the 2018 Hoosier Classic.

The 49th edition of the Hoosier Classic was the final Tier 1 event of the 2017-2018 United States Bowling Congress Collegiate season and marked the end of the regular season.

A total of 66 women's teams and 78 men's teams bowled six traditional games Saturday at Western Bowl, and all teams returned Sunday for 15 Baker games to conclude qualifying. Total pinfall determined the eight teams in each division to advance to the match-play bracket.

The quarterfinal and semifinal rounds of the bracket were contested in a best-of-three Baker format, while the championship round featured a best-of-five Baker match.

The Newman women improved on their semifinal appearance at the 2017 Hoosier Classic and bested Grand View in the title match in 2018, 3-1. The win also gave Newman its first Tier 1 title of the 2017-2018 season.

The Jets lineup this weekend in Indianapolis included

Fort Worth USBC Youth Results

Jake Swift led the Fort Worth-area USBC youth bowling last week with a thundering 196-181-258 = 645 Strikers series at Cowtown Bowling Palace.

Amani Moore, Swift's league mate, paced the girls with an impressive 168-182-210 = 560 set.

At Cowtown Bowling Palace - Jordan Norman 212, Devin Saenz 245-590, Connor Shryock 231, Isabella Colbert 192, Mason Chapman 137-366, Gyanna Simmons 106-331, Zack Meyer 128, Maddie James 104, Owen Griffin 106, Jovan Gordan 97, Gabriel Marquez 89-175, Maelin Pearson 62-121, Andrew Reyes 77, Gabriel Tijerina 80.

Gonzalez 187-462, Ashanti Fernandes 187-559, Cyrene Delossantos 187-449.

At Mel's Lone Star Lanes, Georgetown - Joshua Walker 279-693, Jaelle Hamman 202-593, Jake Wright IV 214-614, Asia Wren 236-693, Matt Baltodano 168-427, Lauren Baltodano 168-427, Cort Reinartz 230-644, Amanda Drouillard 206-560, Charlie Zoellner (2 games) 116-228, Kinsey Brezina (2 games) 131-241.

At Tenpins & More, Rio Rancho, NM - Deo Benard 264-687, Yarelis Alvarez 246-626, Jacob Marquis 236-679, Alyssa Urbina 159-454, Reid Meuth 159-449, Jamie Meuth 193-534, Curtis Bishop 259-702, Bailey Dodson 217-540.



Newman University Women's Team

Ashton Anderson, Miranda Hejny, Becca King, Kelly Machacek, Kristen Machacek, Carley Sullivan, Leanne Vastbinder and Haley Williams.

The Jets entered match play as the No. 2 seed and defeated No. 6 St. Francis-Illinois in the

semifinals, 2-0.

Grand View, the No. 5 seed, advanced to the finals by sweeping No. 1 Wichita State, 2-0. Wichita State entered the 2018 event as the four-time defending champion.

Robert Morris-Illinois' Mat- Continued on Page 9

Dallas USBC Youth Scores

C J Johnson topped the Dallas-area USBC youth bowling last week with a booming 225-267-202 = 694 Showstoppers series at Plano Super Bowl.

Kyla Simons, also from Plano Super Bowl, led the girls with a sparkling 231-214-196 = 641 Sunday Youth/Adult set.

At JB's Allen Bowl - Josh Budnik 210-461, Ashley Martinez 98-230, Ryan Martinez 205-542, Amanda Ingman 134-392, Ryan Rohlf's 210-507, Jordan Martz 95-281, Joseph McGraw 178-480, Nicole Gattenby 204-591, Adrian Allen 80-233, Issac Wilson 90-228, Megan Wente 139-374, Caiden Richardson 133-338, Daniel Corekin 119-319, Joseph McGraw 168-465, Pamela Hodson 193-551, R J Grantham 146-416, Taylore Ryan 185-516.

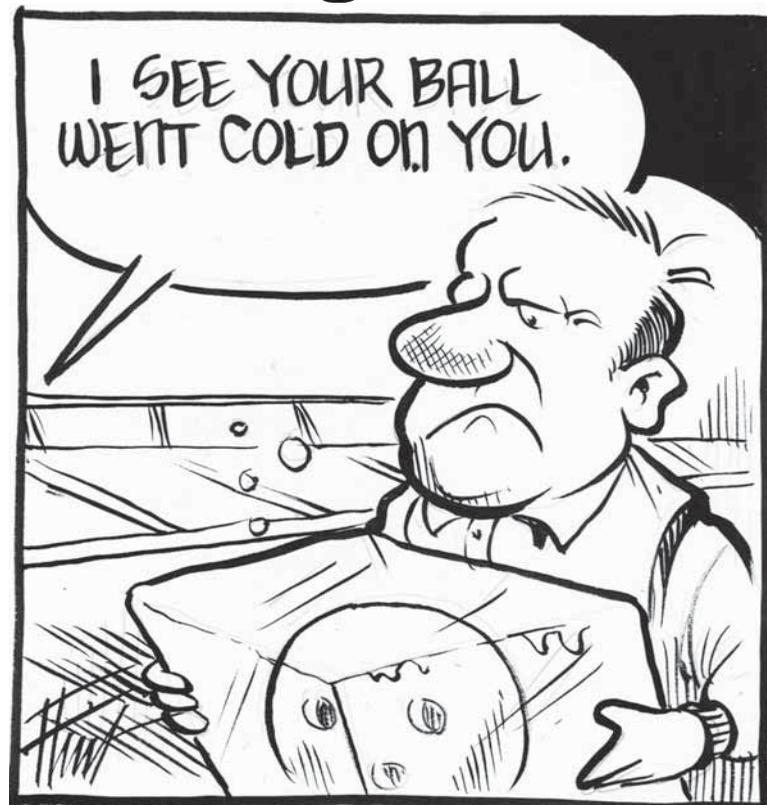
At Plano Super Bowl - Robbie

Baum 135-369, Jordyn Wright 81-224, Brady McDonough 189-542, Malorie Samples 160-471, Garrett Falk 203-560, Naiya Okwesa 202-471, Aubry Ayers 222-632, Noah Raleigh 205-572, Isabella Hudson 163-406, Cody Thomas 212-578, Aidan Hudson 242-541, Katie Heady 179-484, Zach Howarth 237-612, Taylore Ryan 192-536, Brady McDonough 196-522, Gavin Maricich 222-554, Victoria Hylton 198-540, Levi Samples (2 games) 95-183, Keira Sampson (2 games) 71-127.

At Red Bird Lanes - Taylor McCaleb 204-476, Cheyenne Hancock 156-455, Trae Smith 79-136, Savannah Vines 63-122.

At Strikz - Zachary Smullen 173-485, Bryce Herrington 166-456, Enrique Arredondo 168-470, Cory Shen 188-473, Amari Lewis 206-543, Tara Meche 172-478, Deana Simons 146-407.

Lane Laughter



Southwest-Area USBC Youth Scores

Deo Benard led the Southwest-area USBC youth bowling last month with a thundering 256/753 HS Spring Challenge series at Tenpins & More.

Kallista Fritts, Benard's league mate, paced the girls with a strong 276/708 set.

At Hallmark Lanes, Killeen, TX - Hunter Wood 247-612, Wendy Dillon 157-414, Joshua Ortiz 145-334, Alyssa Allen 134, Kayla Beckett 353, Cody Layne 279-710, Shyanne Ciesiolka 214, Makayla Rodriguez 584, Josh Bacino 186, Jason LeValley 482, Shyanne Ciesiolka 159-419, Cody Layne 214-618, Shon Vaughn 130-353, Joshua Ortiz 134-349,

Kayla Beckett 171-413, Peter Palomo II 266, James Schirripa 703, Peyton Heidtbrink 212, Ashanti Fernandes 565, Jordan Cina 204-598, Caitlin Schirripa 199-490, Cody Layne 278-716, Wendy Dillon 176-443, Joshua Ortiz 143-378, Kayla Beckett 176-418, Jason LeValley 257-669, Peyton Heidtbrink 231, Caitlin Schirripa 613, Michael Gredler 231-602, Shyanne Ciesiolka 178-476, Cody Layne 237-647, Wendy Dillon 133-352, Joshua Ortiz 192-459, Kayla Beckett 181-424, Michael Gredler 267, Cody Layne 696, Caitlin Schirripa 210-533, Jason LeValley 192-538, Ashanti Fernandes 181-497.

At Killeen Bowlerama, Killeen, TX - Robert Davie, Jr. 269-652, Anthony

Sectional Assignments Announced for 2018 Intercollegiate Team Championships

ARLINGTON, Texas - The sectional assignments for the 2018 Intercollegiate Team Championships have been determined based on results during the United States Bowling Congress Collegiate season.

The sectional qualifiers will take place at four sites on March 10-11 - 30 Strikes in Stratford, New Jersey; Smyrna Bowling Center in Smyrna, Tennessee; St. Clair Bowl in Fairview Heights, Illinois; and USA Bowl in Dallas.

The top four men's and top four women's teams from each sectional will advance to the ITC, which will be held April 18-21 at Sun Valley Lanes in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Calumet, the top-ranked team in the men's field, will

head to the Fairview Heights Sectional, while Wichita State earned the top spot in the women's final ranking and will travel to Dallas.

The complete men's and women's Intercollegiate Team Championships Sectional Qualifier field (teams listed in alphabetical order):

MEN

Stratford Sectional
Adrian, Bowling Green State, Concordia, Erie CC, Georgian, Hudson Valley CC, Indiana Institute of Technology, Morehead State, Northwestern Ohio, Notre Dame-Ohio, Penn State, Rochester Institute of Technology, Schenectady County CC, Siena Heights, St. John's, Stevens Institute of Technology, Stony Brook, Toledo, Urbana,

Webber International, William Paterson, Wright State
Smyrna Sectional
Ball State, Bethel, Emmanuel, Florida State, Huntington, Indiana, Lawrence Tech, Lincoln Memorial, Lindsey Wilson, Louisville, Martin Methodist, Michigan State, Ohio State, Pikeville, Rio Grande, Robert Morris-Illinois, Savannah College of Art and Design-Savannah, St. Francis-Illinois, Union, Wisconsin-Whitewater

Fairview Heights Sectional
Aquinas, Arizona State, Calumet, Campbellsville, Clarke, Davenport, Grand View, Highland CC, Judson, Lindenwood, Marian, Minnesota State-Mankato, Mount Mercy, Nebraska-Lincoln, Purdue, St. Ambrose, Vincennes, Waldorf, Western Illinois, Wisconsin-La Crosse, Wisconsin-Madison, Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Dallas Sectional
Grand Canyon, Hastings, Iowa Central CC, Kansas Wesleyan, Louisiana State, McKendree, Midland, Morningside, Nevada-Las Vegas, Newman, San Jose State, Southwestern Christian, Spring Hill, West Texas A&M, Wichita State, William Penn

WOMEN

Stratford Sectional
Adrian, Bowling Green State, Concordia, Delaware State, Duquesne, Hudson Valley CC, Indiana Institute of Technology, Kutztown, Morehead State, Muskingum, Notre Dame-Ohio, Sacred Heart, Schenectady County CC, Siena Heights, Urbana, Webber International, Wright State

Smyrna Sectional
Alabama-Birmingham, Alma, Bethel, Columbers, Emmanuel, Florida State, Huntington, Lindsey Wilson, Martin Methodist, Maryland Eastern Shore, North Carolina A&T, Pikeville, Robert Morris-Illinois, Savannah College of Art and Design-Savannah, St. Francis-Illinois, Union

Fairview Heights Sectional
Ancilla, Aquinas, Calumet, Campbellsville, Clarke, Grand View, Judson, Lindenwood, Marian, Mount Mercy, Purdue, Saint Xavier, St. Ambrose, Stephen F. Austin, Tulane, Viterbo, Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Wisconsin-Whitewater

Dallas Sectional
Baker, Grand Canyon, Hastings, Iowa Central CC, McKendree, Midland, Morningside, Newman, Ottawa, Spring Hill, West Texas A&M, Wichita State, William Penn

Sectional assignments are based on Team Ranking System (TRS) points earned throughout the USBC Collegiate season. USBC Collegiate attempts to place no more than two of the top eight schools and no more than four of the

top 16 schools in a sectional based on the final TRS totals. Sectional qualifier fields take geographic distance, economics and field size into consideration.

The sectional format consists of 32 Baker games each day for a total of 64 Baker games. Total pinfall for the 64 games will determine which teams advance to the ITC.

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At Cowtown Bowling Palace

Boroff chalks up 787, Shelton banks 667

Burkett 296

Ryan Boroff rounded-up the top score of the week at Cowtown Bowling Palace with a power-packed 271-258-258 = 787 Ebonite Classic Trio series.

April Shelton, from the Ladies & Gents group, headed the ladies high-set chart with a hard-hitting 204-247-216 = 667 session.

Brian Burkett earned high-game accolades with a near-perfect 296 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Charles Cortes 280, Sandy Groh 201, Adam Beasley 269, Brian Thornburg 262, Charles Walton 259-726, John Burkett 279-741, Alecia Henderson 201-563, Keith Hensley 268, Chris Wengert 280-756.

Chase Martin 267, Lina Trubenstein 233, Nick Aspero 247, George Stilen 290, Jessica Bingham 244-646, Danny Seeders, Jr. 278-727, Sandra Waits 216,

Ryan Woodward 269, Michelle Teel 203. Gary Brown 289, Julie McHugh 185-494, Vernon Smith 279, Rudy Garcia, Jr. 277, Mark Vaughan 259-721, Amy Adams 236-660, David Dunn 246, Nancy John 200, Timothy Landers, Jr. 244.

James Davis 244, Shane Thomas 244, Gina Cochran 190-510, Kevin Moore 244-674, Dirk Freesman 236, Billy Gann 236-649, Jamie Burns 180-482, Larry Cox 227, Bill Nettleton 225.

SENIORS

Larry Stevenson 269-652, Diane Fleck 222-576, David Henderson 257, Joann Lindquist 212, Ken Knowles 256, Cheryl Berube 211, Woody Godbey 211-611, Betty Odom 174, David Pruitt 266.

Neva House 176, Ken Knowles 247-667, Jim Wittenberg 236, Dan Shields 278, Frank Stone 278-745, Mark Cozart 253, Rudy Garcia, Jr. 253.

At Rowlett Bowl-A-Rama

Arriago smothers 762, Olick records 603

Jonnie Arriago, from the Thursday Fun Fours group, pocketed power-laden 227-278-257 = 762 numbers en route to earning high-set honors for the week at Rowlett Bowl-a-Rama.

Janice Olick headed the ladies' leader board with a rollicking 208-192-203 = 603 Sunday Mixers set.

HONOR ROLL

Dylan Courier 245-605, Michael Creasey 246-686, Lynette Most 193-553, Dean Bray (2 games) 214-414, Mary Ellen R (2 games) 155-309,

Keith Geissler 288-735, Melinda Close 179-481. Judy Garms 195-556, Jeff Ramirez 230-644, Michelle Reynolds 201-551, Beth Moreland 202-524, Gale Maida 172-482.

SENIORS

Thomas Sutton (2 games) 196-370, Joann White (2 games) 149-285, Mike Mull 232-657, Laura Peterson 167-487, Gary Franklin (9 pin, no tap) 286-746, Marie Rex (9 pin, no tap) 212-617.

Ernest (no tap) 198-557, Verdis (no tap) 208-520, Don Bell 193-535, June Armon 198-467.

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USBC Collegiate to Vacate Webber International Men's 2017 ITC Title

WEBBER International University

ARLINGTON, Texas – United States Bowling Congress Collegiate has determined the Webber International men's bowling team must vacate its 2017 Intercollegiate Team Championships title and its third-place finish at the 2016 event because the team used a player who was ineligible for competition.

The Webber player violated USBC Collegiate Rule 207 related to professional membership and Webber violated the USBC Code of Conduct for failing to perform its due diligence of confirming the athlete was

eligible to compete in USBC Collegiate competition. The player has been ruled ineligible effectively immediately.

Webber head coach Del Warren has been suspended indefinitely from USBC Collegiate certified events. He cannot travel, coach or have contact with Webber teams during the remainder of the regular season or during the postseason of USBC Collegiate certified events.

The Webber men's bowling team will be placed on probation for the remainder of the

season and for the 2018-2019 season. All Team Ranking Points for the 2017-2018 season in which the ineligible player was on the varsity team also will be vacated. The team is eligible to compete in the 2018 ITC sectionals, provided it earns enough Team Ranking Points to be ranked in the top 80 teams in the official Team Ranking System, and will be eligible for the ITC national event, should the team advance.

In addition, the Webber men's team will vacate any Team Ranking Points earned in events in which the ineligible player bowled on the varsity team during the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 seasons. Webber will be required to return any awards (trophies, medals, rings) associated with the 2017 ITC postseason.

PADILLA LAVERY-SPAHR

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14th Ryne McKourick \$230
15th Catie Jensen \$215
16th Wanda Parker \$200
On the men's side, this was also the first Texas Masters title for Lavery-Spahr, who led for almost all of the match-play games and winning by 84 pins over Joe Findling of Rowlett, TX.
1st Sean Lavery-Spahr \$3250

2nd Joe Findling \$2150
3rd Billy Rogers \$1750
4th Dylan Macon \$1400
5th Robert Lawrence \$1150
6th Paul Henderson \$900
7th Tony Franklin \$825
8th Ryan Boroff \$750
9th Adam Pogge \$700
10th Brian Lake \$650
11th Eric Traylor \$600
12th Ron Boroff \$575
13th Brian Grange \$550
14th Chris Hansen \$500
15th Chad Newman \$475
16th RJ Klann \$450

17th Willie Wells \$425
18th Nathan Bohr \$400
19th Kenneth Miller \$375
20th Xeno Garcia \$350
The ladies garnered 54 entries and the men had 120 entries. Special thanks to the tournament sponsors Striking Against Breast Cancer, NDO and iStrike Sports along with Texas State USBC contributing to the prize fund.

RIO RANCHO

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it, spared and gave the team momentum with six strikes in the last eight shots to win.

The Rams averaged a record 216.7 in their marathon eighteen games, whilst their opponents carded a record 200.2 average against them.

Season awards went to All-State team members, twins Cole and Stephen Poswiatowski, Kallista Fritts and Aileen Linares, while Deo Benard averaged a record 223 over 22 games in the regular season.

The team is now planning to represent New Mexico in the 3rd National High School Championships set for mid-July in Chicago, Illinois, an event in which they finished runner-up in Florida in 2016.

LOOKING BACK

10 YEARS AGO

Mike Scroggins wins 5th career PBA title at the Pepsi Championship in Omaha...Wayne Waters led the honor roll with 834 at AMF Sparetime...Codi Winters shot 826 at Brunswick Zone Watauga...Joe Keylon rolled 815 at Plano...Jennifer Hayes led the ladies with 762 at Plano...Leritha Pride had 754 at Forum...Johnny Lannan with 701 at AMF Showplace-Garland.

20 YEARS AGO

Dana Miller-Mackie beats Cathy Dorin for Visionary Classic LPBT title...James Sensat has 813 at Plano...Jeff Kerbs shot 808 at Western...Traci Wilson led the ladies with 756 at Showplace-Eules...Debbie Moore roled 738 at Bowl El Paso...Jodie Snook shot 300 at BRC Watauga...James LeCroy with 300/769 at Showplace-Eules.

30 YEARS AGO

Robert Merritt wins CASH at DC West...Marty Groff and Kevin Phillips led the honor roll with dual 765's at Bowl Dallas and Allen...Ronnie Diamond shot 762 at Blazer...Mickie Archer led the ladies with 692 at Forum...Jessie Marable with 651 at Red Bird...Martha Rivers wins NTTB...Sean Quinn defeats Kelly Ray to win the Jr. Masters at Triangle Irving.



SECTIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

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In addition, the four centers will host qualifying for the 2018 Intercollegiate Singles Championships on March 9. Student-athletes at each of the four sectional events will bowl six games with 24 men and 24 women - the top four men and top four women at each sectional plus eight additional individuals based on sectional field size - advancing to the national singles tournament on April 17-18 (qualifying and match-play rounds) and April

21 (semifinals and finals) at Sun Valley Lanes.

The championship rounds at the ITC and ISC will be taped for broadcast April 21 and will air nationally on CBS Sports Network starting April 24.

The women's singles show will air April 24, and the men's singles broadcast will air May 1. The women's team final will air May 8, and the men's ITC on May 15 will conclude the collegiate broadcasts.

All shows are scheduled to start at 8 p.m. Eastern.

For more information on USBC Collegiate, visit BOWL.com/Collegiate.

At JB's Allen Bowl

Burnham cracks 300/836, Starry bags 300/778

Josh Burnham won high-series honors last week at JB's Allen Bowl by firing chart-topping 258-300-278 = 836 numbers in Tuesday Mixed Doubles action.

Stacy Starry posted a super solid 300-235-243 = 778 T G I F set to lead the ladies.

HONOR ROLL
Brent Ellis 257-750, Cathy Bowman 246-705, Gary Minter 247-625, Andi

Hall 192-497, Cary Sanford 248-694, Elynn Boss 236-655, Lisa Young 246-593, Kevin Hammer 287-786, Beth Campbell 236-643.

Rick Baker 246-733, Heather Gesino 245-677.

SENIORS

Danny Cooper 198-535, Melba Moyer 177-495, Mason Kirby 192-532, Audrey Wilson 169-469, Bill Kaiser 191-511, Lillian Hofmann 169-453.

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NEWMAN WOMEN

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tie Brandos finished with the top individual score, posting a 1,272 total Saturday. Webber International's Caitlyn Johnson was second with 1,260, and St. Francis-Illinois' Abigail Ragsdale (1,259), Notre Dame-Ohio's Alisha Noon (1,255) and Wichita State's Sydney Brummett (1,253) also made the all-tournament team.

William Penn, the No. 7 seed entering bracket play, defeated top qualifier Wichita State in the championship

match, 3.5-.5. After rolling to a 169-169 tie in the opening match, the Statesmen averaged 211 on the way to three consecutive wins and their first Tier 1 victory of the season.

The Statesmen's lineup at the 2018 Hoosier Classic included Quincy Bruce, Braxton Coble, David Decker, Josh Fane, Aleksander Kostic, Rok Kostic, Curtis Majka and Nick Walker.

William Penn swept No. 6 Pikeville to advance to the finals, 2-0, while Wichita State recorded a 2-0 victory in the semifinals against No. 5 Savannah College of Arts and

Design-Savannah.

Defending men's champion Midland did not advance to bracket play and finished 23rd.

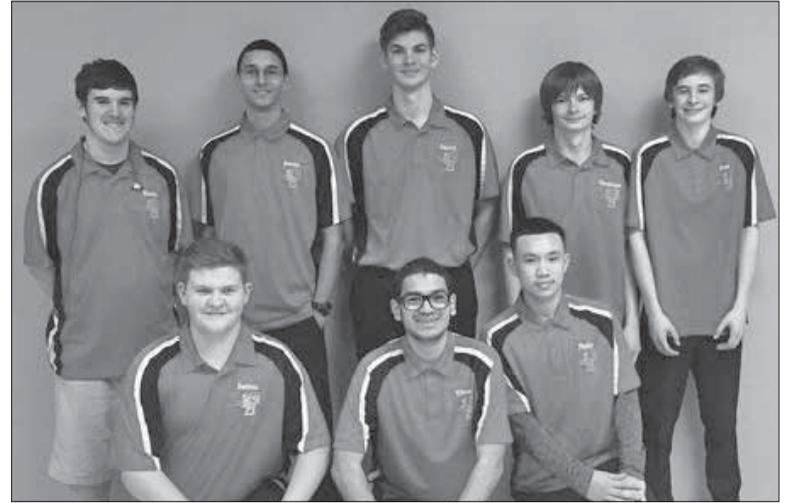
Alex Glinski of Savannah College of Art and Design-Savannah rolled 278 in his final game Saturday to earn the top spot in the men's individual standings, finishing his six game-block with a 1,429 total, a 238. 1 average. Wichita State's Cortez Schenck was second with 1,407, while Vincennes' Tyler Perry (1,391), Pikeville's Matthew Cleary (1,385) and Davenport's Sean Taylor (1,360) followed in the standings.

BOWL.com's BowlTV provided livestream coverage throughout the event, and the archived rounds can be viewed at YouTube.com/BowlTV.

Sectionals will take place March 9-11 at four locations across the country. The sectional locations for 2018 are Stratford, New Jersey; Smyrna, Tennessee; Fairview Heights, Illinois; and Dallas.

The 2018 Intercollegiate Team and Singles Championships will be held April 16-21 at Sun Valley Lanes in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Mansfield Legacy High School Broncos Win their First District Championship



Mansfield Legacy High School Broncos
Front row: Dalton Ruyle, Yibrán Franco, Philip Le
Back row: Kevin Young, Devan Rivers, Garret Matthews, Christian Tanner, Sam Malicoat.

Mansfield Legacy High School Broncos won their first district championship by ral-

lying from a 5-2 deficit to beat Arlington-Martin 10-5.

Yibrán Franco led the way with a career high 204 game and Christian Tanner had a career high 178.

The Lake Ridge Girls won the Girls District Championship.

The regional tournament will be held March 4th at USA Bowl in Dallas.



At Forum Bowl

Reger claims 300/811, Maryland crafts 773

Clanton, Morphew, Warren 300's, Tinsman 299

John Reger's rousing 300-256-255 = 811 Columbia 300 Masters' league session headed the men's high series race last week at Forum Bowl.

Jelesa Maryland, Reger's league mate, led the ladies score board with a stalwart 268-258-247 = 773 outing.

Danny Clanton, Ovid Morphew and Robert Warren shared high-game honors with Reger with award-winning 12-baggers. Josh Tinsman took runner-up honors with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Holly Ginn 211-604, Kim Jackson 225-593, Walter Bobien (9 pin) 297-775, Holly Beers (9 pin) 243-713, James Simmons 257-747, Kathlene Lyons 248-634, Victor Seabrooks 246-708, Sonya Little 216-610. Aaron Smith 279-754, Allyson Stanton 213-567, DJ Garrett 265-751, Quynh Nguyen 219-577, Scott Grimmett 267-713, Aricia Grant 171-484, Ovid Morphew 748, Mary Santa Cruz 198-543.

Robert Warren (4 games) 290-1050, Ashley Adams (4 games) 279-935, Don Harris 259-720, Sandra Goodrum 192-504, Gerald Mack 232-659, Holly Beers 236-583, Chuck Pauley 235-629.

Eva Lopez 171-464, Garry Keckler 213-617, Marguerite Vonk 171-460, DJ Garrett 279-746, Sylvia Stewart 257-712, Terry Ellis 269-740, Karen Hoyle 237-621, Nick Martinez 223-588.

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The Quiet Observer

By Tony Franklin, *Publisher*

Who is that guy in the great hat? He's quiet and soft-spoken, but he is always there and always watching the bowling action.

His name is Osby Harris, but you probably already knew that. The question is, what don't we know...let's find out.

Harris, 79, was born and raised in Louisiana, but moved to Texas in 1957, and definitely considers himself a Texan. He was married for 45 years until his wife passed away 2 years ago. He has three kids, three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren that live in the DFW area.

He has been a mainstay at bowling tournaments all throughout the southwest for many years, whether it be sponsoring local bowlers or partaking in the other side events, he likes the action.

He hasn't always been behind the settee area; he started bowling in Dallas in the late 1960's and you might be surprised to hear how he got his start.

"Del Ballard, Sr. got me involved in bowling. He took me to a tournament in Little Rock, AR when Del Jr. was about five years old. Sr. also told me at the time that this little kid was going to be a pro. He was right,



Osby Harris

so I guess father knows best," said Harris.

"In 1981, I went to an airline tournament in Maui and struck out in to the tenth to win the event by one pin. I've won more money than I did for that tournament, but it was my most thrilling bowling moment," he added.

Osby quit bowling about five years ago, but spent most of

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OSBY HARRIS

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his time bowling at Richardson Bowl and also the TCBA Travel League. He had a high average of 211 and a couple of 300 games mixed in over the years. He was inducted in the TCBA Hall of Fame in 1986, the 4th member to receive the honor.

Through the years, he has sponsored a lot of bowlers, but it hasn't always been a rosy proposition. "If I sponsored 100 people, I feel safe to say I probably lost on 80 of them," he said. "There were some where I was successful, Anthony Simonsen, he is just a great kid. Robert Dunaway, Tony Joseph, and Tony Lanning, I never lost on him."

These days, Harris doesn't sponsor bowlers, but does like to partake in the Calcuttas and brackets. His strategy for which teams or people to buy in the Calcutta is simple, get the best team, or get a good team at a good value.

For those that don't know, a Calcutta is a side pool at certain bowling tournaments where a participant or team is

auctioned off, with the better teams going for more money. Then the total proceeds are paid back depending on finish positions to the person that bought that person or team.

The unique thing about Harris is that he travels just like the bowlers to participate in these extra pools. He has the same travel expenses as the bowlers, so he takes it very seriously and treats it just like a business.

"To be successful in backing bowlers, you have to be tough, there are no free checks. Sponsoring is a tough job, but I like the action," Harris said.

Osby has long been one of the friendliest and strongest supporters of local bowling and he doesn't expect that to change any time soon, but he does have an upcoming life event.

He has worked in baggage services at both Dallas Love Field and DFW International Airport when they opened and will be retiring this week.

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Steve Wright Wins Claude Thomas Memorial Singles in Shreveport

SHREVEPORT, LA - Steve Wright put on quite a show at the SASBA Claude Thomas Memorial Singles in Shreveport, LA last weekend.

Wright led after 12 games of qualifying by 95 pins. He then went 5-3 in match play and led wire-to-wire to win his second SASBA title and \$1,200 proving that hard work and practice do pay off.

John Burkett finished second and took home \$950, Mark Williams claimed third and \$800, Paul McCordic came in fourth for \$750 and Thomas Gwin rounded out the top five and received \$700.

Greg Cooper had the only 300 game of the tournament.

Half of the finalists were Super Seniors.

Chip is improving every tournament.

Thanks to Mike Thomas and the staff of All Star Lanes for hosting. Also thank you to the Eldorado Casino and Hotel for sponsoring.

Our next tournament is March 3-4 at Planet Bowl



Mark Williams, Steve Wright and John Burkett

in OKC for a Member/Guest doubles. The following week we are at Astro Super Bowl in San Antonio for a 60/50/guest trio.

Please note a few format changes on the schedule. The foursome June 16-17 at USA Bowl has been changed to a computer picked foursome using SASBA averages.

The M/G doubles on Aug 11-12 at Armadilla I is going to be separate qualifying for Members and Guest, then match up according to qualifying scores for the Baker match play on Sunday.



SMALLWOOD

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the No. 5 qualifying position for the stepladder finals.

"That's one of the assets of my game to grind through matches and never quit," said Smallwood, whose first major came in the 2009 PBA World Championship. "I'm good with the pressure and if I'm not striking a lot I can hang in there to stay in contention. This tournament was a great example of that."

Smallwood's stepladder journey to the title started with a 237-206 win over Canadian Patrick Girard, trying for his first tour title, who missed the headpin four times in the first match.

Smallwood then edged out No. 3 qualifier Kris Prather of Plainfield, Ill., who was making his first TV finals appearance, 236-235. With both players working on a string of four strikes and tied heading into the 10th frame, Smallwood was able to take the win with a strike on his first ball and nine on his second shot after Prather struck and then left a seven-count split.

Smallwood then moved on to meet four-time tour winner Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., who was coming off a runner-up finish in last week's PBA 60th Anniversary Classic. Smallwood again escaped with a one-pin victory, 225-224, when he spared in the 10th frame and threw a nine count on his final ball.

"I just kept telling myself to keep everything slow," said Smallwood. "It was important to read what the ball was doing going down the lane and not

overthink it. I just concentrated on keeping the ball in play.

"You could say there was more pressure on some shots than others, but in reality, there's pressure on every shot," Smallwood added. "I'm not complaining, this is what I live for."

It marked the second consecutive major that the winner won all four stepladder matches for the title. Matt O'Grady of Rahway, N.J., won the PBA Tournament of Champions on Feb. 11 by sweeping all four finals matches.

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2, Jason Belmonte, Australia, \$20,000.

3, Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., \$12,000.

4, Kris Prather, Plainfield, Ill., \$11,000.

5, Patrick Girard, Canada, \$10,000.

Stepladder Results:
Match One - Smallwood def. Girard, 237-206.

Match Two - Smallwood def. Prather, 236-235.

Semifinal Match - Smallwood def. Kent, 225-224.

Championship - Smallwood def. Belmonte, 259-239.



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Feb. 17-18	All Star Lanes	Shreveport, La.	C. Thomas Mem. Sngles
March 3-4	Planet Bowl	Midwest City	Member/Guest Doubles
March 10-11	Astro Bowl	San Antonio	60/50/Guest Trio
Mar 31-Apr 1	Cowtown	Ft. Worth, Tx.	70/60/50/Guest 4-some
April 14-15	Emerald Bowl	Houston, Tx.	Age Bracket
April 28-29	Red Bird Lanes	Duncanville	Singles
May 5-6	AMF All Star Lns	Kenner, La.	60/50/Guest Trio
May 19-20	University Lanes	Denton, Tx.	Super Senior Singles
May 26-27	Armadilla I	Pasadena, Tx.	Age Bracket
June 16-17	USA Bowl	Dallas, Tx.	Foursome - Comp. picks
June 23-24	Oil Bowl	Longview, Tx.	Member/Guest Doubles
Jun 30-Jul 1	Plano Super Bowl	Plano, Tx.	Firecracker
July 14-15	Red Bird Lanes	Duncanville, Tx.	Mem/Member Doubles
August 4-5	All Star Lanes	Ennis, Tx.	Non Champions Singles

PBA HOF

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PBA Tour title in 2017 (in the PBA Xtra Frame Billy Hardwick Memorial Open) and he concluded his first season with a fifth-place finish in the PBA World Championship.

For the fourth time in the past five seasons, Australia's Jason Belmonte was recognized as the GEICO Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year.

"In my opinion this is the

second greatest award a player can win behind being inducted into the hall of fame," Belmonte said. "It isn't something I take for granted; it inspires me to be better."

Belmonte, after becoming the first player in PBA history to win three major championships among his four titles in 2017 and setting a PBA average record (229.39) in the process, was a landslide winner in Player of the Year voting. At age 34 he joined Mark Roth as a four-time winner of the

award, trailing only Walter Ray Williams Jr.'s seven POY Awards, and the late Earl Anthony with six.

Mitchell, the first hall of fame inductee, succumbed to cancer in 2012 at age 80. He went from managing a small bowling center in Indianapolis to developing the Royal Pin Leisure Centers chain, which has hosted dozens of showcase events at all levels of bowling. Its centerpiece - Woodland Lanes on Indianapolis' north side - has hosted every major championship the PBA has offered, which made it a natural choice to host the Go Bowling! PBA 60th Anniversary Classic.

Mitchell's bowling center empire grew from one center in 1974 to multiple centers with more than 300 lanes and five pro shops. He was a vocal advocate for the PBA as the sport's most prominent promotional vehicle, and he put his money behind his passions. He was equally enthusiastic as a bowler, competing in 50 USBC Open Championships. He is the first bowling proprietor elected to the PBA Hall of Fame exclusively based on his role as a bowling center owner.

Following a video tribute from a number of players who were benefactors of Mitchell's hospitality and dedicated, son David said, "I know Dad is looking down on us and smiling. We're very appreciative of this award. Dad would probably say he was very proud to receive the award, but didn't do much to earn it."

"Don Mitchell had bowling running through his blood," David Mitchell continued. "He brought first-class bowling experiences to the bowlers of Indianapolis. If you asked bowlers on tour about their favorite bowling center, many of them would say Woodland Bowl. I know the recognition he's receiving tonight would make him burst at the seams. It's a great honor."

Mohr was a late starter. The Fort Wayne, Ind., native

moved to Alaska at age 23 and got a job in a bowling center in Anchorage. He began dating a girl whose father worked for the FAA at the time President Ronald Reagan fired all of the striking air traffic controllers who refused his order to return to work. Mohr wound up working as an air traffic controller in Alaska for 25 years.

He also had a chance to develop bowling skills and in 1988 earned a berth on Team USA, where he got his first taste of elite level competition. When he retired from his air traffic controller position in 2008, he decided to try the PBA50 Tour. In his breakout season in 2009, Mohr won three of his nine career PBA50

Tour titles en route to his first POY award (he won again in 2011). In nine full seasons as a "senior" bowler, he has finished in the top 10 in earnings and averages each year, and has never had a season averaging below 220. He currently is the two-time defending PBA60 Player of the Year.

In presenting Mohr, his friend and fellow PBA50 competitor Mike Dias said, "Ron's workout regime is legendary. He does 45 consecutive minutes of sit ups every day. I get so tired watching, I have to get a drink. But Ron bowls like he works out. He puts everything he has into every shot."

"Wow. What an incredible

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JOHNSON

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Debby Oulicky, with the losers winning \$500.

In the next match, Mark Plagens and Brandy Plaxco beat Ray/Rogers 237-202, the 4th place team won \$700.

In the semi-final, Donahue/Franklin defeated Plagens/Plaxco 248-225, with the 3rd place team winning \$900.

Other cashers were Mark Dean/Elaine Barnes for \$400 and Sang Hunyah/Liz Tolbert for \$250.

There were 41 teams with eight cashers.

Thanks to the teams that traveled in from Houston, Austin, Odessa, Lubbock and Wichita.

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Taping as an Art Form - Part III

a. If you think your thumbhole is tight enough, add a piece of tape. Most people are quite convinced the thumbhole is tight enough. Nobody wants to put the ball into the ceiling tiles, so they fear adding tape will make it too tight. Add a piece of tape and try to set the foul light off with the ball. You'll generally find that another piece of tape feels

great and the ball comes off your hand very well. When the thumbhole is loose you'll have to squeeze to hold on. If you still do that after you add tape, you'll hang up in it.

You may need three or four pieces of tape on some days. So what? That only means you have plenty of room to swell and you'll have that snug feeling all the time. Most people are bigger in the mornings and most women shrink and swell

more than men.

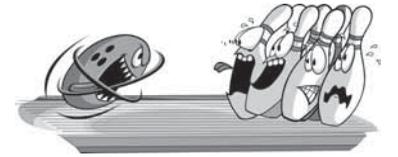
b. There is product called Ed Thomas Thin-Grip. This is very textured white tape. It is thicker than regular bowling tape and gives a very secure feeling in the ball. It can be moved up and down in the hole, lasts a lot longer than tape, and can be reused many times. If your thumb is a little small, take the Thin-Grip out, put a piece of tape behind it, and put it back in the hole. That way you'll have the same feel each shot.

Before my pro shop dude, James Askins, recommended Thin-Grip to me, I bought tape in thousand piece rolls. I used it in less than six months. He showed me the Thin-Grip and I said, "Oh no, not on

my delicate little thumb. It's so rough!" He kept after me and I'm so glad he did. I went from that big roll of tape to using about 30 pieces a month. There are knockoff tapes out there but I have not found their adhesive to be as good as Thin-Grip.

c. Use tape like the pros do. The use of tape is not a sign of a poor fit. That secure feeling is the single most important thing (after fit) that you can do to facilitate a loose armswing. Learning to trust this feel is

imperative. If the thumbhole is snug enough and you still don't have a loose armswing, it won't be because you had to squeeze the ball to hold on to it. It will be because you think you do. You've got to let go mentally as well as physically!



USBC Releases Research Study on Bowling Technology

ARLINGTON, Texas – For more than two years, the United States Bowling Congress has examined technology in bowling to determine its impact on the sport.

The examination included in-depth research by the USBC Equipment Specifications and Certifications team, independent surveys with participants, center owners and pro shop operators, along with focus groups of proprietors and pro shop owners, and a summit of bowling leaders.

The Bowling Technology Study – An Examination and Discussion on Technology's Impact in the Sport of Bowling, is a compilation of the results of

the research, surveys and focus groups, and now is available on BOWL.com.

"As the National Governing Body of the sport, continuous research and discussion are an important part of what we do," USBC Executive Director Chad Murphy said. "Technology constantly is changing and players also evolve, but it is important the skill of the competitors remain the most important factor when bowlers compete on the lanes. The USBC Equipment Specifications and Certifications team had some eye-opening discoveries, and along with the feedback we received, the Bowling Technology Study provides an

insightful look at where our sport stands today."

The study examines bowling balls, and the lanes, with research on the oil absorption rates of coverstocks, how balance holes affect bowling balls, and the impact of Radius of Gyration (RG) and Differential RG. It also includes a league simulation study to have a better understanding of oil depletion and ball reaction for bowlers during competition.

The Bowling Technology Study provides results of independent surveys sent to members of the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America (BPAA), International Bowling Pro Shop and Instructors Association (IBPSIA) and to USBC members, along with results of informal Facebook polls. Discussions with focus groups provided those invested in the sport the opportunity to exchange ideas and opinions.

Go to BOWL.com/Bowling-TechnologyStudy to access The Bowling Technology Study, plus videos and additional information.

At Western Bowl

Fox masters 779, Clary tosses 695

Musick, See 300's

AMARILLO – Chris Fox's high-powered 236-255-288 = 779 Petroleum production captured high-series honors for the month at Western Bowl.

Candra Clary's chart-topping 278-203-214 = 695 Pantex set fronted fem scoring.

Chris Musick and Carl See shared high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Ty Pelley 286-754, Brian Collier 259-749, Seth Brackett 269-745, Mike Scroggins 258-743, Gary Moorman 279-743, Randy Ingram 268-738, Carl See 258-738, David Wilson 257-735.

David Wilson 267-735, Chris Musick 729, Seth Brackett 266-727, Terry Thome 254-720, Travis Turner 257-719, Trey Sledge 252-715, Carl See 714, Jim Turner 260-713, Jeff Campbell 289-711.

Chris Foshee 268-710, Kent Neal 264-706, Cory Sharp 289-706, Zach Munday 258-704, Bruce Baker 264-703, Kirk Kerbo 249-702, Cody Blevins 254-700, Cody Stephens 248-720, Bryan Crabtree 259-711.

Billy Dedek 268-706, Connie Moorman 245-691, Connie Moorman 248-680, Debra Shannon 237-658, Carrie Wichers 267-647, Candra Clary 225-641, Candis Wilson 237-632, Debra Shannon 221-630.

Ashley Farrah 233-626, Debra Shannon 231-624, Madella Kerbo 236-622, Kat Darlington 225-618, Pam Webb 237-616, Ashley Farrah 246-612, Laura Wertz 246-611, Ashley Farrah 222-610.

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PBA Spare Shots

DON JOHNSON'S 299 IS PBA'S MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT; MORE "MOMENTS" TO COME

On Saturday, April 4, 1970, eventual PBA Hall of Famer Don Johnson had already locked up the Firestone Tournament of Champions title with

his 11th consecutive strike at Riviera Lanes in Fairlawn, Ohio. As opponent Dick Ritger and millions of ABC-TV fans watched, Johnson threw what appeared to be another perfect shot in pursuit of a \$10,000 perfect game bonus.

But the 10 pin stood, and Johnson fell to the approach in disbelief and disappointment. That iconic image, captured on black-and-white film by an Akron Beacon-Journal photographer, is arguably the most reproduced photo in bowling

history, and it spawned an artistic interpretation by Marc Moon that graced the cover of the 1971 PBA Tour Program.

Johnson's historic 299 also has been selected as the "most memorable moment" in the PBA's 60-year history, as revealed during Sunday's ESPN telecast of the Go Bowling! PBA 60th Anniversary Classic from Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis. That moment along with the other "top 10" moments kicked off the unveiling of all 60 "most memorable moments" that will be revealed, one a day, Monday through Friday, on the PBA's social media outlets beginning next Monday and continuing until all 60 moments are announced.

Sunday's top 10 - which were previewed to the more than 300 attendees at the PBA 60th Anniversary Celebration dinner and hall of fame ceremonies Saturday night - include the following. Note the list actually includes 11 "memorable moments" due to a tie for 10th place. Keep in mind the list, selected by a large group of long-time industry veterans, players, PBA officials, etc., is focused on the "most memorable moments" in PBA history, not necessarily the "greatest" accomplishments:

- 1) Don Johnson's 299 game in championship game of the 1970 Firestone Tournament of Champions. He fell to floor after leaving a 10 pin on his final shot, rising to a standing ovation at Riviera Lanes.
- 2) Eddie Elias' meeting with PBA's 33 founding members in Syracuse, N.Y., in 1958.
- 3) Kelly Kulick becoming the first woman to win a PBA

Tour title in the 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions in Las Vegas.

4) Pete McCordic winning a \$100,000 bonus with a nerve-wracked 300 game on ABC-TV in 1987.

5) Pete Weber striking in the 10th frame to claim a record fifth U.S. Open title by one pin in 2012, then uttering his famous, "Who Do You Think You Are, I Am!"

6) Earl Anthony surpassing the \$1 million career earnings milestone for the first time in winning the 1982 PBA National Championship.

7) Del Ballard Jr., needing two strikes and 7 pins to win the 1991 Fair Lanes Open over Pete Weber, gets the first two but rolls a gutter ball on last shot to lose.

8) Mark Roth becoming the first player to convert the 7-10 split in a 1980 televised PBA final.

9) Bob Learn Jr. throws 44 out of a possible 48 strikes, including a 300 game, for a record four-game TV total of 1,129 pins to win the PBA Flagship Open in an arena in his hometown of Erie, Pa., in 1996.

10) A tie between the 2011 TOC from Red Rock in Las Vegas where Mika Koivuniemi defeated Tom Daugherty in the biggest margin of victory ever, 299-100 (lowest game ever bowled on TV) and then goes on to win the \$250,000 record first prize. It was the PBA's first live telecast on ABC-TV since 1997. The second half of the tie involves Randy Pedersen needing a strike to defeat Ernie Schlegel to win the 1995 Touring Players Championship. But Pedersen's seemingly perfect shot leaves a stone 8 pin, prompting Schlegel to go into a wild celebration.

To make sure you don't miss out, follow the PBA on Facebook (www.facebook.com/ProfessionalBowlersAssociation) or Instagram ([pbatour](https://www.instagram.com/pbatour)), subscribe to the PBA channel on YouTube

(PBA Bowling) and tweet along on Twitter (@pbatour).

CONCRETE SOFTWARE'S "BEAT THE CHAMPION" CHALLENGE IS UNDERWAY

The PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game's PBA 60th Anniversary Classic Challenge is underway. If you are a mobile device user, you can download the free PBA Bowling Challenge app, look for the PBA 60th Anniversary venue, and start bowling immediately. If you bowl a game that tops the 244 Jakob Butturff bowled in winning the Go Bowling! PBA 60th Anniversary Classic, you'll be eligible to win the sweepstakes.

Each score you bowl that beats Butturff's 244 will count as an entry. One entry will be randomly selected as the winner and will receive a bowling pin signed by Butturff plus 5,000 Gold Pins! Players can enter scores as often as they wish until 12:59 a.m. EST on Monday, Feb. 26. Here is a link to the official rules http://bit.ly/PBA60th_OfficialRules.

Everyone with a mobile device is invited to join the fun. The PBA Bowling Challenge Mobile Game app is a free download at Google Play and Apple App stores. Use these links: Google Play: <http://bit.ly/PBA Bowling Challenge And>.

TWO NEW SPONSORS JOIN LINEUP FOR PBA LEAGUE, XTRA FRAME EVENT IN PORTLAND

The PBA has announced two new corporate sponsors have joined the lineup for its upcoming return trip to Bayside Bowl in Portland. OceanView at Falmouth will be the titled sponsor of the 2018 PBA League Elias Cup competition, and Port Property Management will be the titled sponsor for the PBA Xtra Frame Maine Shootout leading into the PBA League competition.

The PBA Xtra Frame Port Property Management Maine

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At Mel's Lone Star Lanes

Merriman levels 796, Lawrence lands 720

Du, Lesifko 300's

GEORGETOWN - Jonathan Merriman pounded out potent 269-237-290 = 796 marks in Thursday Thunder action to capture high-series honors for the month at Mel's Lone Star Lanes.

Pam Lawrence earned the top spot on the honor roll for the lady bowlers with a rip-roaring 236-251-233 = 720 series in Pot O Gold league play.

James Du and Nick Lesifko captured high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Dave Steward 279-785, Wanda Clark 226-594, Dwight Joy 288-775, Karen Ang 224-590, Wanda Clark 203-575, Albert Winingar 236-653, Amanda Wyrick 235-635, Laurie Alkier 224-628, Kevin Hale 278-699, Elena Johnson 214-603, Michael Bell 248-706, Rachel Masterson 223-589, Nick Lesifko 790.

SENIORS

Bob Drewitt 254-697, Wanda Clark 213-582, Jess Espiritu 246-689, Dellene Davis 213-586.

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Just Paying Attention

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The PBA's television ratings last weekend were a mixed bag last Sunday. The 60th Anniversary Classic averaged

559,000 viewers, while the 18-49 viewing group, most favored by advertisers, was almost the same as last week's higher

At Terrell

Holley racks up 768, Ellington mints 622

Martell 299

TERRELL - Bobby Holley headed the leader boards last month at Terrell Bowling Center with hard-hitting 233-256-279 = 768 numbers in Friday Night Quads action.

Patty Ellington was red hot for the ladies with a sky-high 181-236-205 = 622 Tuesday Night Mixed set.

A J Martell captured high-game honors with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Stacy Stanberry 290-670, Vanessa Brown 198-551, Bubba Harwell 258-712, Jennifer Nolan 213-588, Tim Sommers 257-664, Sandy Czajkowski 223-607, Corey Miller 248-693, Herman Butler 258-686.

Katie Perales 212-612, Larry Carter 257-700, Paige Ellington 205-589, Josh Orr 279-711, Kari Bell 209-577, Russell Limoges 263-729, John Stelting 255-720, A J Martell 711, Ed Domaraki 268-669.

Red Taylor 266-728, Dwayne Wilson 267-742, Bobby Holley 279-715.

At Hallmark

Desmarais nails 773, Shea banks 759

Roy 300

KILLEEN - Keith Desmarais was the bowler to beat in the Friday's Best league at Hallmark Lanes last month in leading all players with a power-packed 258-248-267 = 773 series.

Danielle Shea led the ladies with a hard-hitting 279-214-266 = 759 Partytimers league production.

Michael Roy captured high-game honors with an award-winning 12-bagger.

HONOR ROLL

Ray Hiller 256-621, Maya Dixon-Dates 258, Esther Navarro 620, Jerry Kilpatrick 189, Quinten Goins 535, Vivian Mikell 138-380, Pete Schirripa, Sr. 215-549, Lisa Maruna 198-499, Eddie Neely 279.

Keith Desmarais 744, Nate Cerniglia 258-678, Kisha Thomas 225-593, John Ciesiolka 268, Chris Causey 667, Cindy Gill 226-596, Ben Hogan 277-722, Jenn Shurley 256-639, Tee Jay Jones 249.

Jerry Stutz 640, Maya Dixon-Dates 206-590, Quinten Goins 193-500, Vivian Mikell 127-356, Chance Maruna 200-569, Eva Dorsey 191-507, Mike Suggs 277-679, Sharon Jeffers 236-568.

Ben Hogan 264-722, Mary Schirripa 218-543, Ben Hogan 278-675, Cindy Gill 181-512, Chris Masters 266-679, Danielle Shea 258-644, Mike Lukasik 278-696, Esther Navarro 240-677.

Quinten Goins 190-538, Vivian

Mikell 176-447, Chance Maruna 224-556, Lisa Maruna 186, Vickie Gill 515, Chris Roberts 279-729, Belinda Ullery 226, Ali Martinez 597, Matt McMillin 258-692.

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Quinten Goins 192-539, Vivian Mikell 157-404, Pete Schirripa, Sr. 188, Chance Maruna 526, Suzie Wollek 214, Lisa Maruna 562, Rod Watkins 278, Chris Masters 771, Hayley Brooks 225, Danielle Shea 598.

Josh Herrick 254-685, Karin Ciesiolka 233-663, Ben Hogan 267, John Ciesiolka 698, Suzanne Caballero 203, Cindy Gill 554, Cindy Gill 235-655.

SENIORS

Mike Meredith 247, Larry Krueger 671, Suzie Wollek 214-596, Tee Jay Jones 258-676, Barbara Jones 190, JoAnn Biels 521, Owen Saiki 236, John Dixon 606, Cherrie Aberle 219, Suzie Wollek 522.

Rullie Haywood 278-693, Pam Edwards 199-506, Virges Collins, Jr. 256, Bob Rackley 632, Sherry McCluer 202-554, Rullie Haywood 257, Larry Krueger 699, Barbara Jones 191-529.

Rod Kensinger 251, Virges Collins, Jr. 626, Sherry McCluer 216, Barbara Person 555, Bob Rackley 245, Larry Krueger 638, Peg Hartley 230-526.

rated show.

Over the last several years PBA ratings have been rising, even surpassing the one-million viewer mark on several occasions. But with the volatile last eighteen months of television viewing habits, the Association average viewership number has dropped. It was down 20,000 two weeks ago for the Tournament of Champions, then down 146,000 last Sunday against the same weeks last year.

To no one's surprise, Winter Olympic coverage is finding viewers, even though numbers vs. viewing numbers four years ago are down five to seven percent vs. the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympic Games.

Other programming on overlapping the telecast last weekend was NCAA Men's College Basketball on CBS, averaging nearly two million viewers, and the annual NASCAR season opener, the Daytona 500 on Fox, drawing 9.3 million, and NHL hockey with almost 1.4 million.

If I can find it, I'm curious to see how the PBA drew against those 2014 Winter Olympics. I also hope to get comments from the Association after the ratings are released next week.

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In other Association news, the Top 10 of its Top 60 Moments was revealed at the preceding night's Hall of Fame banquet, then during last Sunday's telecast. Didn't see any real surprises other than the order.

When compiling items for my own Top 25 TV Bowling Moments list in the 100th Anniversary edition on *Bowlers Journal International*, one major factor was how much non-bowling media attention an item received. Pete McCordic's TV 300 game was not only the first in 13 years, but the first in the cable TV/one hour daily sports highlight shows era. Not only was it all over ESPN SportsCenter, and CNN Sports Tonight, many TV stations replayed it in their 6pm and 10pm newscasts.

I always would have Bob Benoit's 300 game close to McCordic's, just because it was the best first game on national television anyone has ever rolled. Imagine if then-lead announcer Rob Stone's plea to Oprah Winfrey had been acted upon describing Kelly Kulick's historic 2010 ToC win? Not sure if that could have boosted it higher than third. I had Kelly's moment at the top of my last list.

Two top ten moments on my list, not seen on the PBA list, both occurring 1994. Those are Bryan Goebel's 296-280 title match win over Norm Duke in the 1994 True Value Open. The following week was one of the more unique TV

finals, the 1994 PBA National Championship.

Both Goebel and Duke rolled 11 strikes. All Duke ended up with is a record he has had for twenty-four years as the highest losing score in a PBA television match. Goebel was one strike from a \$200,000 payout for a TV 300 game at a True Value-sponsored tournament. He left the most famous 3-6-9-10 on the fill ball.

The following week saw Johnny Petraglia become the

oldest TV 300 game shooter on the regular tour at age 47, then two matches later saw the only brother vs. brother national television match as David Traber defeated older brother Dale for his first national tour title.

These may make a few of the next fifty spots, 11 through 60, and I'm curious to see where the panel ranked them. My updated Top 25 TV Bowling Moments list will for sure contain Liz Johnson's PBA title

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at the recent World Series of Bowling and Shannon O'Keefe's win at the Smithfield PWBA Tour Championship.

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Didn't know if this was on anyone's radar ten years ago, except computer nerds, but it is for real now.

If you know about the free HQ Trivia app, available on both iPhone and android, you may have found yourself taking

your afternoon break around 2:00 pm Central Time.

According to a recent article on Money magazine's website, timeinc.net, HQ Trivia offers twice-a-day contest weekdays, with the second at 8:00 pm Central. Answer twelve multiple choice questions, using a maximum of ten seconds for each question, and you can get a share of \$2,000. Sunday night's jackpots are often larger.

Now here's the kicker. As one of the hottest apps right

now, it draws 800,000 people for the daytime quiz, and around 1.2 million for the nighttime. Weekend app user totals are a little higher, with a special Super Bowl halftime quiz drawing over two million users battling for \$20,000. Now that my wife stumbled upon this app a few weeks ago, it's a pretty entertaining show watching her dive into her mind of minutiae as she calls it (and as Brunswick equipment rep Mike Dole can attest).

Before the quiz starts and before each question, the moderator will tell how many viewers there are remaining. Even hearing those numbers is staggering, as the number in the upper left corner of the screen displays, usually in the hundreds of thousands. Once a participant misses a

question, the feed for that quiz disappears.

The first two or three questions are a little easier with a zinger thrown in usually around the middle of the quiz, but if you can hang and answer all twelve, taking a maximum of ten seconds to answer each correctly, your share could be anything between \$8.00 to \$6,000, as a California man did Christmas Eve. Once a winner claims over \$20, PayPal is used to get your cash.

Even with that small dollar amount, have a feeling even our friend-of-the-column Xeno Garcia may stop drilling balls twice a day to get his trivia on.

Perhaps the biggest excitement for a phone app since the last Pokemon wave, it even was featured last Monday on the 'Ellen' show. Host Ellen

DeGeneres simulated a game with her 400-person studio audience. She interviewed a recent winner, whose slightly-hysterical reaction went viral, after answering all twelve questions. As regular watchers can tell you, if the next big thing has arrived, you'll see or hear about it on her show.

Things like this make it that much harder to ignore the new wave of media, as what was alternative is now starting to evolve into mainstream for some. This is just more proof television isn't the only big dog on the block anymore or watching a viral video with millions of hits in a very short period of time. If today's technology can bring in these numbers, there has to be a way for our little corner of the world to tap into it.

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Shootout, a single-elimination match play event offering a PBA Tour title if the winner is a PBA member, will be held April 17-18 and will be covered from start to finish, live on PBA's Xtra Frame live streaming channel.

The OceanView at Falmouth PBA League competition will begin with a "seeding" round for all eight teams on Friday, April 20, followed by quarterfinal, semifinal and Elias Cup championship rounds on Saturday and Sunday. All of the weekend rounds will be live streamed on ESPN3 and taped for delayed telecast on ESPN on four consecutive Sundays at 1 p.m. EST, beginning on April 22.

SKECHERS JOINS PBA'S ESPN TELECAST ADVERTISING FAMILY

Skechers, one of America's leading footwear manufacturers, has joined the lineup of advertisers participating in the 2018 Go Bowling! PBA Tour telecast series on ESPN.

"Skechers is excited to be a part of the current schedule of PBA Tour telecasts on ESPN. The audience of the PBA Tour fits our demographic profile nicely for our 'wide fit' line promoted by Howie Long and our line of Skechers slip resistant "work" footwear," said Skechers Senior Vice President of Advertising Gary Patrick.

PBA's series of live telecasts in February will be followed by coverage of the Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship, the USBC Masters and the PBA League Elias Cup series in late March and April, reaching millions of American sports fans.

SEAN RASH SHARES "PERSPECTIVE" ON 2017 GENE CARTER'S PRO SHOP CLASSIC WIN

In the newest edition of PBA

Player's Perspective on Xtra Frame, Sean Rash reflects upon his 2017 PBA Xtra Frame Gene Carter's Pro Shop Classic victory. The Xtra Frame interview debuts today; the Perspective

will be available on PBA's YouTube channel on March 1. **PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: STONEY BAKER WINS IN TWO-BALL ROLL-OFF**

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At Heritage

Nixon slams 300/754, Montgomery mints 645

OKLAHOMA CITY - Brad Nixon earned high-game and series honors last month at Heritage Lanes with a thundering 218-300-236 = 754 series in Heritage Seniors league action. Michelle Montgomery, Nixon's league mate, registered a sizzling 226-224-195 = 645 set to top the ladies high-series chart.

HONOR ROLL

Derrick Best 257-708, Brianna Norman 189-557, David Hereford 235-677, Sissy Christy 221-568, Sonny D Smith 267-728, Michelle Goode 203-592, Denver Neeley 248-733, Vicki Frederick 235-619.

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At Killeen Bowlerama

Wainright books 297/801, Maxson claims 299/738

Joseph 800, Chaney, Davie, Sr., Harrison, Massey, Sharper 300, Lewis, Wold 297

KILLEEN, TX - Gavin Wainwright's award-winning 297/801 Sundowners group session lit up the lanes last month at Killeen Bowlerama.

Brian Joseph finished close behind Wainright with an award-winning 800 outing.

Jean Maxson headed the ladies' leader board with a robust 299/738 Rebels showing.

Don Chaney, Robert Davie, Sr., Walter Harrison, Beau Massey and Doug Sharper captured high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers. Greg Lewis and Chris Wold followed with 297 games.

HONOR ROLL

Robert Davie, Sr. 269-702, Russell Brown 700, Jim Still 689, Nee Wallace 215-593, TeeJay Jones 677, Annette Richeson 540, Curtis Robinson 266-617, Linda Strickland 540, Doug Slotten 266.

Doug Sharper 793, Jean Maxson 687, Don Chaney 758, Erica McPhail 250-676, Gavin Wainwright 757, Regie Criner 751, Christi Hellon 258-694, Billy Hargett 746, Dale Adkins 742, Bobby Wacker 742.

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Bowling Update

From Ten Pins & More

BACK-TO-BACK PERFECT SCORES A FIRST AT TENPINS & MORE

Aaron Johnson, who averages a decent 207 in the Friday night Native American League at Tenpins & More, hit top form in last week's round of play.

Johnson, a right-hander, fired off 24 consecutive strikes

PBA SPARE SHOTS

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Stoney Baker of Canton, Ga., defeated Scott Thomsen of Sumter, S.C., in a one-ball sudden death roll off that went two frames to win the PBA50 Dave Edwards Toyota Spartanburg Southern Open presented by Global 900 at Paradise Lanes in Spartanburg, S.C., Sunday.

Baker, who won \$2,000 along with his 28th career

PBA HOF

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journey. Induction into the PBA Hall of Fame is an individual honor, but it doesn't happen by yourself," Mohr said, recognizing the many friends and industry associates who played a role in his career. He also thanked PBA Hall of Famer Marshall Holman, "my role model who showed me that intensity and passion can make great things happen." Of Walter Ray Williams Jr. Mohr said, "he showed me the desire

At Tenpins & More

Miller-Mackie smashes 815, Espinosa scores 300/790

Johnson (Back-to-Back), Sheridan, Wemple add 300's, Avila, Garcia 299's, Lee 298

RIO RANCHO, NM – Dana Miller-Mackie topped the charts at Tenpins & More last month with a booming 279-267-269 = 815 league session.

Guillermo Espinosa led the men's leader board with a power-packed 252-300-238 = 790 set.

Aaron Johnson, Pete Sheridan and Jim Wemple shared high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers. Michael Avila and Ignacio Garcia took runner-up honors with near-perfect 299 solos while Mike Lee followed with a 298 game.

HONOR ROLL

Demost Quintana 278-731, Dusti Griffin 279-690, Guillermo Espinosa (4 games) 1,031, Dana Miller-Mackie (4 games) 270-1,015, John Gerber 216-590, Troi Donnachaidh 256-598.

in a row to become the first bowler in the 35 year history of the Rio Rancho Center to bowl back-to-back 300 games.

"The Center has had probably about eight million games bowled since it opened on July 31, 1983, and this is the first time anyone has bowled two perfect games in a row", said Center manager, Steve Mackie.

VALENTINE'S DOUBLES A HIGH SCORING AFFAIR

Sunday Sunset league members, Kelsey Kryjewski and Michael Avila won the highest scoring Valentine's Doubles tournament at Tenpins & More

regional title, left a 4 pin on his second roll-off attempt after the players tied at 237-237 and both threw strikes with their first roll-off shots. Needing a strike to win or nine pins to extend the match, Thomsen left the 2-5 on his second shot to hand Baker the title. Thomsen pocketed \$1,000 as the runner-up.

In the semifinal round, Baker defeated Dick Gran of Hartville, Ohio, 186-170, while Thomsen disposed of

to win doesn't diminish with age." And of Parker Bohn III: "he shows us all the world would be a better place if we all had a little bit of Parker Bohn in us."

Barnes, an 18-time PBA Tour title winner, was a consensus selection. He was a late-comer to PBA competition an All-America career at Wichita State University, a starring role with Team USA and a prolific nine-year career as a "professional amateur," finally joining the PBA just before his 28th birthday.

The Kansas native, now

last weekend.

The pair combined for 2,032 including handicap, to win from Bobbie Vega and Dan Brenning by 13 pins, after Kryjewski, off a 162 league average, shot 244 in the last game. Avila had opened with 236, 254 and 258 to set the big number to beat.

Brenning was no slouch either with 246, 268 and 257 during his set, assisted by Vega's closing 223. Vega, incidentally bowled her first 700 three-game set in Wednesday's "Bud Trios" league matches.

Third went to brothers,

Brian Kretzer of Dayton, Ohio, 232-178.

-A busy weekend is on tap for PBA Regional competitors over the March 16-18 weekend when the schedule includes the Odessa Southwest Open at Astro Bowl in Odessa, Texas.

-Closing out the March PBA Regional schedule will be the Copperfield Bowl Southwest Challenge for non-title winners over the March 30-April 1 weekend in Houston, Texas.

living in Double Oak, Texas, is one of five players to win both PBA Rookie and Player of the Year honors, and one of six players to complete the PBA Triple Crown (2005 U.S. Open, 2006 PBA Tournament of Champions and 2011 PBA World Championship). Now 47, and he ranked among the top 10 in PBA earnings for 16 consecutive seasons, surpassing the \$1 million milestone in career earnings in a then-record 170 events.

"When Chris called me to present him into the PBA Hall of Fame, I began to wonder what you had to do to get in," said former PBA star and Barnes' personal coach, Mark Baker. "There are a number of boxes to check off, and Chris checked them all."

Baker said the first time he worked with Barnes, he asked Baker for help and Baker answered, "No thanks, I'm good." Barnes asked, "What do you mean?" Baker responded, "You're the best player in the world, I don't want to screw you up."

"It's great to think my name will be among the greatest our sport has known, but nothing happens on its own," Barnes said. "Looking back, I never thought of myself as a great player, but I kept driving myself to find out what was wrong and how I could fix it."

"I've probably received more help from coaches than anyone else in this room, mostly because I needed it," he added.

"It's been a life-long goal to stand up here tonight, to be able to stand atop the mountain, so thank you very, very much."



Nathan Nguyen and Christian Apolonio, sixteen pins back, on 2,003, while fourth placed Steve Mackie and Dana Miller-Mackie, on 2,000, would have won any other year's Valentine's event, such as the high-scoring nature.

Miller-Mackie shot 234, 238, 259 and 288 for a tournament high 1,019 series.

Joe Radosevich and Troi Donnachaidh finished fifth with 1,988, also a winning score any other time.

"NEVER GIVE UP HOPE"

Jim Wemple started bowling at age twenty four. His one desire always was to bowl a 300 game.

Forty-five years later, at age 69, Wemple achieved that goal, with a perfect game in the Bud Trios league.

"Everyone was just so happy for him", said league secretary, Cheryl Costales. "He never gave up hope", said another league member.

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YOUTH BOWLER OF THE MONTH



Elijah Davila

Elijah Davila, 19, is from Grand Prairie and graduated from South Grand Prairie HS last year. He is currently working at Premier Cinemas Movie Theater and will start college in the fall. Even with a full-time job and three leagues, he still puts in a lot of practice to improve his game. He has had a lot of great coaches along the way that he would like to thank for helping him be the bowler he is today; Cliff, Theresa, and Billy.

Hometown Bowling Center: Forum Bowl, Grand Prairie, TX

How many leagues: Travel league, Junior Gold and Saturday youth league.

How did you get started bowling: I started when I was young. My uncle put my cousin and I in a league as a fun bonding experience and I stuck with it.

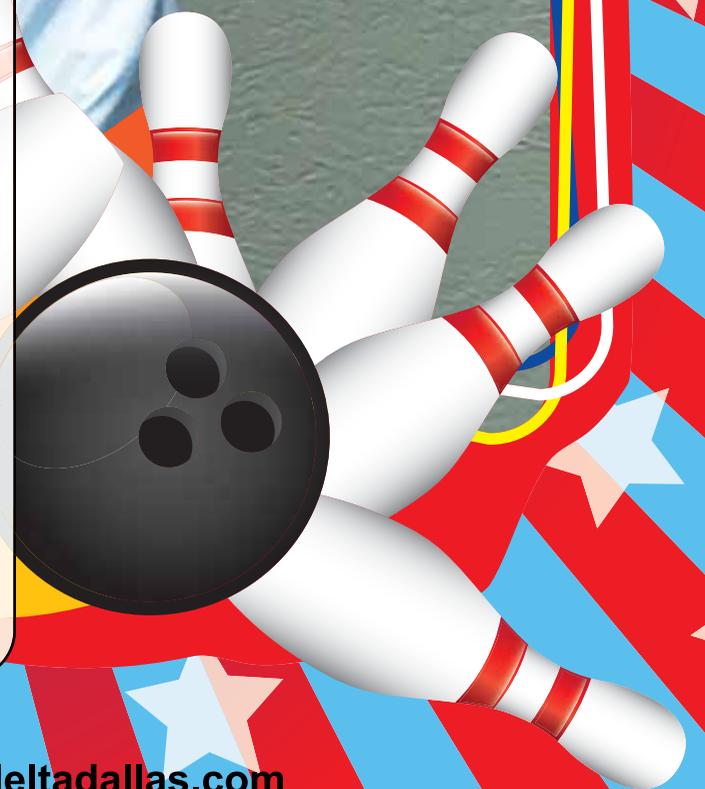
High Game: 254 and high series is 648.

Other sports/Hobbies: I played football in high school.

Favorite Bowler: I am a two-handed bowler, so Jason Belmonte is my favorite. He is so consistent with how he rolls it. As I got older I practiced with just putting my fingers in it with no thumb, then started using my other hand to help control the ball, and it gave more consistency.

What do you love most about the game of bowling: Even when I played football, bowling was my favorite. It's such a mental game, you have to find your mark and hit it consistently in order to have any success.

Favorite bowling accomplishment: Practicing with my coach I had the first nine strikes and shot a 279 game. That was the most consistent and focused I had ever been and something I was really proud of.



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