

# Wes Malott, Kirk and Mary von Krueger and Gary Mage were Inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame 

2020 and 2021 Player, Sportsmanship and Service Awards were Recognized


PBA Hall of Fame Inductee Wes Malott with Chad Murphy, Robert Lawrence, Del Ballard and Tony Franklin

By: Emil Williams Jr.
FAIRLAWN, OH - After a one-year hiatus, the Guaranteed Rate Professional Bowlers As-

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sociation Hall of Fame returned Saturday night and formally inducted four new members from two separate classes into its sacred fraternity.

The induction ceremony was held in conjunction with the 2022 KIA PBA Tournament of Champions, the third major of the PBA Tour season. FloBowling.com provided live coverage of the ceremony held at The Hilton Akron/ Fairlawn. Due to the COVID-19
pandemic, the 2021 induction ceremony was postponed until this year.

The 2021 PBA Hall of Fame class of Gary Mage of Vancouver, Washington, and the duo of Kirk and Mary von Krueger of Pensacola, Florida, were inducted for their meritorious service.

The 2022 PBA Hall of Fame class featured only Wes M alott of Fort Wayne, Indiana, who was selected based on performance. All four members were unanimous selections into the hall of fame.

Malott has captured 10 PBA titles, including the Mark Roth/ Marshall Holman Doubles Championship twice with Norm Duke, and the 2013 U.S. Open, his lone major. He also owns 18 PBA regional titles.

Affectionately known as the "Big Nasty," M alott exceeded $\$ 100,000$ in earnings in five seasons, including four consecutive years from 2005-2008.

He was named the 20082009 Chris Schenkel PBA Player Continued on Page 17

> Dom Barrett Wins Third Major Title and Earns Triple Crown Status at KIA PBA Tournament of Champions


Major Champion Dom Barrett

By: Emil Williams Jr.
FAIRLAWN, Ohio - Dom Barrett of Great Bentley, England, became the eighth player in Professional Bowlers Association history to win the Triple Crown after defeating top seed Kristopher Prather of Plainfield, Illinois, 210-189, to win the 2022 KIA PBA Tournament of Champions on Sunday.
The victory came live on FOX as part of the 2022 PBA Tour television schedule and earned Barrett a $\$ 100,000$ top prize. Prather earned $\$ 55,000$ as the runner-up.

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## The Rodriguez/Bohr Duo Strike Again in Texas Masters and Bluebonnet Queens



Champions Maria Jose Rodriguez and Nathan Bohr

By: Tony Franklin, Publisher
AUSTIN, TX - Maria Jose Rodriguez stopped Diana Zavjalova's bid for a three-peat in the Bluebonnet Queens tournament last weekend at Westgate Lanes in Austin, Texas.

This tournament has been dominated by these two top PW BA stars in the last four years, with Rodriguez winning in 2019, then Zavjalova won
in 2020, 2021, and this year it came down to the final game and frame once again with Maria taking her second tiara in an 11-pin victory.

Zavjalova led the first day of qualifying with Rodriguez taking the lead after the semifinals, with Brook Simmons in 3 rd 57 pins back. All pins drop after the semi-finals and the Continued on Page 16

## Michael Hudson Wins SASBA Title at Hilltop in Waxahachie



Runner-up Stoney Burke with Champion Michael Hudson

## By: Kathy King

WAXAHACHIE, TX - Michael Hudson was in 2nd place after 12 games of qualifying at the Modified Singles event at

Hilltop Lanes in Waxahachie, Saturday, Feb. 5.

He beat qualifying leader Pete Thomas 278-245 the first Continued on Page 6


Genie at the entrance of AMF Riviera Lanes hosting the Tournament of Champions in Fairlawn, OH

I made my first trip to Akron, OH last weekend to watch Wes Malott get inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame.

This allowed Genie and I to watch the PBA Tournament of Champions at Bowlero Riviera Lanes, the home of the Tournament of Champions for so many years.

It has been a few years since I watched a national pro stop, and so pleased that I got to see this one first-hand, truly something that has been on my
bowling to-do list for 40 years... to walk through the doors that have welcomed the world's finest bowlers.

I have two main thoughts to share with you...
\#1 - The Pro's are amazingly good. I know this isn't a revelation of any kind, but watching the top 24 go at it was inspiring. The main thing I saw was that every bowler, and I mean every bowler, made every single spare they left. That's one thing, but the


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Sarah and Tony celebrating Wes' HoF induction


Genie and Tony with Big Wes
number of splits they spared was like nothing l've ever seen. I'm not exaggerating in the least...they made everything, it was frightening and should be a training film for any up and coming bowler.

They throw straight at everything, 5 -pin, head-pin, 3-6-9-10...doesn't matter what they leave, and they don't miss. If you ever want to get to this level, there is your starting point.

With all that being said, they then missed three spares on the TV Show Sunday, and didn't spare any of the splits.. that just proves how hot the pressure is for the most prestigious professional tournament in the world can actually be.
\#2 - The second thought is the sad part...none of the pros look like they're having fun. They are certainly giving


Team Storm/Roto Grip - Del Ballard, Norm Duke, Tony Franklin, Genie Franklin, Chris Schlemer, Wes Malott, Sarah French, Tim Mack and Bill and Barbara Chrisman


Malott Family - Graham, Camden, Maggie, Brooke, Jordan, RobLaw, Virginia, Sarah and Wes
it 100\% effort, but there just isn't any excitement or energy coming from them. I asked Wes about it, and he said that's pretty much the way it is every week. He's not an excitable person either, never has been, but I didn't see anybody, except for maybe Sean Rash that showed any life.

When you only watch the TV shows, it looks much different than it does in-person during match-play. Throw shot, strike, walk back, sit down or throw shot, don't strike, throw
hands up in air, walk back, sit down.

As a fan I would like a little more, I'm not asking for 1960's run out every shot and then slide on the floor energy, but give me something boys, get me invested in rooting for you. This can be a lot better spectator sport than it is at the moment.
$x-x-x-x-x-x$
A night to forever remember is how I will describe the PBA Hall of Fame Ceremonies in Continued on Page 3



## RANDOM THOUGHTS

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Akron, OH last Saturday.
The evening kicked off with Larry Lichstein, longtime operator of the PBA Tour Services, speaking of the great bowlers that we lost this year. It was easily the most eloquent and fascinating 10 minutes of bowling history I have ever heard. Larry had notes, but he never looked down once, he just rolled through the history and captivated everyone in attendance.

Next up, were the performance awards for the current tour players, Player of the Year for the last two seasons, etc... this was another really cool moment has each player accepted their award, then respectfully thanked their

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At USA Bowl
Ewell posts 795,
Coward snags 721
Dean 300
Jimmy Ewell took high-series honors for the month at USA Bowl after polishing off 257-259-279 = 795 numbers in Sharon's Stars league action.

Tracey Cow ard, from the Just For Fun group, paced the Iadies with a stately 269-210-242 = 721 set.

Brian Dean's award-winning 12-bagger earned him high-game honors.

HONOR ROLL
Robert Natho 231-638, Xan Alexander 152-377, Brian Dean 705, Vanessa Brown 247-623, Deneace Johnson - Bolt 199-571, Armando Aguinaga 278-742, Cameron Henson 258-718.

Elaine Burick 193-558, Curtis Watson 214-620, Dana Short 236-626. SENIORS
John Holley 213-564, Shortie Calloway 180-481.

## At Cityview Lanes

## Uthoff soars to 782, Arceneaux gains 687

Adair II, Morrison, Sandlin, Young add 300's, Davis 299

Cody Uthoff dominated scoring last month at Cityview Lanes with a power-packed 252-268$262=782$ Monday Night Mixer league series.

Barbara Arceneaux led the ladies race with sky-high 230-$234-223=687$ T.G.I.F. numbers.

Andy Adair II, AI Morrison, Eric Sandlin and Anthony Young shared high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers while Chris Davis took runner-up accolades with a near-perfect 299 solo. HONOR ROLL
Wayne Lutrell 269-709, June Barker

234-644, Julian Rimmer 288, Tashia Wood 258-644, Billy Bural 222-595, Jana Bural 208, Paula Davis 647, Sonny How ard 264, David Harlin 735, Stefany Brown 204-540. David Dewberry 234, Ken Leach 625, Darlene J ones 187, Judy Lutrell 533, Al Morrison 738, Shell Hines 266-663, Mark Peel 234-598, Angela Martin 203-510, Andy Adair II 723, Cherie Deleon 223-582.

Anthony Young 748, Kecia Andries 235-641, Tyler F 269, JB Boughton 744, Cassandra Bayerl 258-644, Johnny Ortiz, Jr. 276-642, Laura Hoffman 235561, Brien Keeler 226, Brian Shaw 622.

Beulah Evans 187, Dee Dee Fred-
erick 499, Lorrie Hetherington 177, Carol Neubauer 459, Wayne Lutrell 278, David Schiell 746, Barbara A rceneaux 233-656, Jeremy Trubenstein 284-746.

Debbie Benjamin 236, Cherie Deleon 657, Joe Harrington 258-625, Peggy Rios 170-504, Dwan Davis 666, Debra Reulecke 206, Suzann Gardner 516, Mario Sandoval 277-727, Vickie Bowers 245.

Humm Smith 268-719, Sonja J ordan 225, Kitty Riesz 560, Lance Bettencourt 258, Joe Becker 674, Cyndi Dyche 243-640, Larry Dean 756, Mandee Gardinhise 202-469.

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## SUMMER LEAGUES FORMING NOW



## NCIUSBC USBC Youth Resutts

Colby Anderson led the Fort Worth-area USBC youth bowling last week with a hard-hitting 236/671 Forum Strikers series at Forum Bowl.

Stephanie Leclear, Anderson's league mate, paced the girls with an impressive 236/ 627 set.

Cityview Lanes - Carson Bradley 144-313.

Cowtown Bowling Palace - CY Salazer 248-658, Brilyn Fowler 191-545, Isaac Marquez 246, Natalie Beto 171, Jake Swift 230, Gracie Hinz 162, J R Cain 162, Kaydence Rinebold 160, Gabriel Marquez 145, Gabriella

Rinebold 102, Samuel Michael 109, Emily Epperson 84, I sasc Hanzelka 85, Elizabeth Cain 83, Landon Trubenstien 94, Rileynn Helka 64

Forum Bowl - Joseph Banks 86-158, Olivia Huggins 90-164, Carson Bruton 81-152, Cherish Thompson 80-146, Jaxon Reese 88-213, Lindsey George 115-338, Kayden Riley 81-140, Ella Fuller 99-252, Cameron Riley 73-125, Trinity Riley 79-158, William Jewell III 275-662, Charisse Graham 223-617, Tyler Brooks 256-622, Samantha Brow n 212-559, Trevor Poston 221-635, Makenly Branagan 211-555.

## RANDOM THOUGHTS

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roommate for always having their back and supporting them. Yes, bowling on tour is a hornet's nest of competition, but it's also a fellowship, and that was made loud and clear by each player, and how much their close friends truly mean to them. You can't spend that much time with someone and not create an unbreakable bond.

Randy Pederson was the emcee for the event and talked about the "shields" that used to line the streets of Akron leading to Riviera Lanes. The shield (banner) is only created for the winner of the Tournament of Champions, and if you get one, you're a legend forever. Randy got very emotional as he talked about the shields, and how much they mean to each player. He said that "the ToC is the easiest match-play event to make," as there used to only be 52 players in the field, "but the hardest TV finals to make,"

## Southwest <br> Area USBC Youth Scores

Leo Solis led the Southwestarea USBC youth bowling last month with a thundering 300/731 Youth series at Killeen Bowlerama.

A shlie Mills, also from Killeen Bowlerama, paced the girls with a rollicking 232/ 671 Youth set.

Hallmark Lanes, Killeen - Grayson Lassiter 124-296, Kaydence J effers 60164, Jaxson Bonnett 267, Cole DeLoach 631, Kandie Knight 197, Caroline Neeley 503, Grayson Lassiter 91-246, Kaydence Jeffers 88-238, Jaxson Bonnett 237, Joshua Ortiz 616, Tori Blackman 182-520, Grayson Lassiter 133-342, KaydenceJ effers 65-172, Robert Davie, Jr. 277, Taylor Brown 639, Tori Blackman 200-488.

Holiday Lanes, Oklahoma City, OK - Matthew Jones 234-613, Kirsten Morgan 214-599, Matthew Hackett 201-596, Thalia Hoyos 148-401, Tobias Hurte 202-522, Katelin Morgan 132362, Maddox Beavers 205-577, Kirsten Morgan 178-483.

Killeen Bowlerama - Thomas Shotwell 237-592, Jay Davie 149-381, Nyssa W hite 256-654.

Mel's Lone Star Lanes, Georgetown, TX - Jayson Gonzales 154-458, Anelise Rodeheaver 120-340, Keaghen McBride 237-642, M arisa Loft 199-536, Jordy Pepe 123-194, J enevieve Pepe 81-151.

Tenpins \& More, Rio Rancho, NM - Stephen Gallegos 249-672, GilIian Mulder 243-632, Logan Trujillo 268-699, Aubrey Vanderlip 182-499, Robert Dutton 179-464, Lucia Griego 68-171, Spencer Muller (2 games) 123-188, Zarek Becker 195-519, Victoria Tallbear 120-335.
because only the best of the best are in the building. Being back at Riviera Lanes clearly means a lot to the veterans of the PBA tour.

Next up, were the Hall of Fame inductees, Gary Mage the longtime PBA Northwest and West Regional Director, and Mary and Kirk von Krueger, former PBA Tour Director.

Great speeches by all three and so much great background and history about the PBA Tour.

Our main focus was for our good friend Wes Malott, who closed the show. As most know, even though Wes is large by stature, he is quiet and softspoken by nature. His history is unique on one hand, but
similar on the other. He was just a kid who loved to bowl, got really good, couldn't get over the hump, then one-day he figured it out, and destroyed the hump and every other bowler in his path.

I was lucky to have a front-row seat through his early days, was there to see the awaking when he won his first PBA regional, and then the large regional a week later where he announced his skill to the world.

I'm just so proud of him and was just giddy watching him take the podium and sharing his story with the bowling world.

Now for the fun part...each
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## Dallas USBC Youth Scores

Tristan Stade topped the Dallas-area USBC youth bowling last week with a booming 212-223-256 = 691 Saturday Showstoppers series at Plano Super Bowl.

Kyrah Durham led the girls with a sparkling 244/589 Roto Grip Sport Challenge set at USA Bowl.

Plano Super Bowl - Everett Kerrigan 100-276, Charlotte Wright 81-208, Charlie Rogers 196 443, Keira Sampson 146-406, Wyatt Smyser 162443, Bella Rivera 169-431, Sullivan Jones 231-581, Megan Wente 225-573, Sara Randall 156-443, Jarret Coleman 180-417, Audrey Du 84-240, Tiger Bruney 226-577, Nicole Phan 160-450, Matthew Cain 215-584, DenAsia Bellew 159-398, James Polk 157-442, Ava Sullivan 147-398, Diego de la Torre 245-653, Charisse Graham 224-576, Aaron Coleman 236-659, Mya Murray

233-572, Caleb Ebner 208-552, Luke Henke 263-641, Yaki Guerrero 137-408, Shaw $n$ Hardin 208-552, Hunter Wright 102-182.

Strikz - Ashton Batman 254-623, Caleb Stovall 200-534, Zachary Goyco 200-574, Logan Solis 231-582, Kolin Williams 171-465, Turner Spofford 213-522, Jake Sullivan 195-515, Goutham Gajjala 169-447, J onathan Hattar 159-422, Maximus Rouse 165-455, Owen Smullen 173-479, Misha Brown 159-413, Caleb Williams 187-467, Aiden Wylie 161-434, J oey M aulhardt 170-442, Jakob Haraputzcyk 149-409, David Long 176-444, Ireland Spofford 179-526, Alexia M oon 199-513, Gabriela Gamboa 134-364, Emily Mendez 158-447, J ayme Brooks 153-389, Julia Rouse 151-410, Allison Rouse 121-303.

USA Bowl - Brady McDonough 224-636.

## Lane Laughter



## The Allen Eagles Girls Bowling Team Breaks TWO Texas High School Bowling Club State Records

By: Maribel Munguia
PLANO, TX - On February 12, 2022, the Allen Eagles Girls Bowling Team broke two Texas High School Bowling Club state records in their match against Plano East. The Lady Eagles bowled a single 5-person high game of 1,118 smashing San Antonio North High School's record of 1,038 set in 2011. Their 2-game series of 2,068 overtook Cibolo Steele High School's record of 2,002 set in 2016. Mya Murray led the team with a 290 game and a 494 series. The Lady Eagles now hold all three girls team state records, including the high 3 -game series of 3,024 set in 2009. Due to this great accomplishment, the Lady Eagles have been invited to the 2022 U.S. High School Bowling National Championship to be held June 18-20 in Louisville, Kentucky!

The Lady Eagles have had a tremendous 2021-2022 bowling year beginning with a first place finish at the Annual Bryan Burr Memorial High School Bowling Tournament in Georgetown. Following that, the Allen Eagles made history at the High School Classic in New Braunfels by taking first place in both the boys and girls divisions. After a hard fought battle, the Lady Eagles ended with a second place finish at the 5thAnnual Baker M atch Play High School Team Tournament in San Antonio. On February 19th the Lady Eagles capped off their regular season claiming the title of Dallas North A District Champions. The Allen Eagles Girls Team and Boys Team are headed for the Region III Tournament on March 6th.


Back Row: Coach Reggie Murray, Coach Joe McGraw, Chloe Simon, Marisa Munguia, Nevaeh Good, Ally Wright, Mya Murray, Head Coach Cory Barber Front Row - Roanah Abeleda, Carlen Gattenby, Olivia Freis

## Lake Ridge and Legacy Send Two Teams to High School Bowling Club Regionals

By: Mike Young
The Lake Ridge Eagles and Legacy Broncos each qualified their Boys and Girls varsities along with many singles to the regional tournament to be held in Allen.

Legacy has the \#1 seed in the boy's division with a 8-2 record followed by Lake Ridge at 8-3 and Martin at 4-6. The actual winner of the district was the DFW co-op team who went 10-1, but since they were all not from one school, they could not qualify for team, but they can and did qualify for singles.

The Girl's side saw Lake Ridge run the table at 11-0 for the top seed followed by Legacy at $6-6$ and getting the spot by a
tiebreaker over Mansfield. For Legacy, it is the first time in school history that they have sent both the boys and girls teams in the same season.

The top 7 averages of 16 games or more for singles went this way:

For the boys, the top qualifier went to Tyler Brooks (DFW) at 196 with second going to William Jewel (DFW) with a 192. Third is Colby Anderson (Lake Ridge) at 186, 4th Christopher Pirtle (Lake Ridge) 168, 5th Carlos Santos (Lake Ridge) 167, 6th JT Longino (Legacy) 166 and the last spot went to Christian Schlieker (Legacy) at 165. The first two alternates are both from Lake Continued on Page 6

At Forum Bowl

## Warren claims 833, Franklin fires 721

DJ Garrett 300/825, Barry Brice 808, DJ Garrett 803,
Stoney Burke, Jayce Nguyen, Vernon Smith, Cody Uthoff, Woody Woodard 300's

Robert Warren's rousing 288-268-277 = 833 Forum Classic league session headed the men's high series race last month at Forum Bowl.

DJ Garrett followed close behind Warren with an awardwinning 300/ 825 outing in Tuesday Trio action while Barry Brice followed with an 808 Wednesday Night Mixed set and DJ Garrett finished with an 803 Crusaders league production.

Genie Franklin led the Iadies with a stalwart 218-247-256 = 721 Wednesday Night Mixed outing.

Stoney Burke, Jayce Nguyen

Vernon Smith, Cody Uthoff and Woody Woodard shared highgame honors with Garrett with award-w inning 12 -baggers. HONOR ROLL
leanne Hester 212-584, Sheila Burger 211-598, Thomas Posavac (9 pin) 300-854, Shane Williams (9 pin) 276-711, Tony Herr 248-701, Teresa Herr 224-621, Don Carter 279-723, Deneen Wilson 277-718.

Carlos Ortiz 245-680, Julie Ramirez 207-518, Brooke Simmons 259-686, Jerry Ankenbrandt 268-730, Stacy Harden 268-751, Melody Richie268-706, Sam Guy 289-792, Brenda Belgarde 215-617.

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Leritha Pride 248-676, Robert Warren 258-772, Melissa George 216-625, J essie Sereseroz, Jr. 235-644, Christina Sereseroz 196-542, Thomas Posavac 266-695, Jordan Groves 225-599.

Frank Marks 228-654, Donna Soto 142-350, Phillip Mills 254-654, Luann Burkhalter-Mills 205-470

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Ken Martin 270-739, Debbi Czajkowski 236-591.


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SAT 4/30 - WESTBROOK MEMORIAL TEAM
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## HUDSON SASBA

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game of match play and never looked back winning 5 of his 8 matches to qualify 1st for the stair step final.

In the first stair step match, Mike Bailey defeated Tony Franklin 279-227.

Mike lost the second match to Mark Busscher 226-167.

Mark then lost to Stoney Burke 279-213 setting up the final game against Michael Hudson.

Michael dominated as he had all day rolling 249-182 to win his 2nd SASBA title!

Pete Thomas and Mike Bailey shot 300's on Saturday

## At Plano Super Bowl

and each received \$100 from Scott. Michael Hudson had one Sunday morning. Stoney, M ark Busscher and Jack Zuniga each bowled 300 in the finals.

Thank you to Scott and Deb Dodson for hosting. They added the lineage back into the Friday sw eeper. They also paid $\$ 100$ for each 300 game shot on Saturday. Then to top it off they returned most of the tournament lineage back into the main tournament.

March 5-6 we are at Cityview Lanes in Fort Worth for a Non-Champion Singles.

M arch 19-20 is a Member/ Guest doubles at Plant Bowl in Midwest City, OK.

March $26-27$ is an Age Bracket tournament at Emerald Bowl in Houston.

## HIGH SCHOOL REGIONALS

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Ridge in Zackery Stephens and Mason Pach

For the girls, Charisse Graham (Lake Ridge) set a district record averaging 215 to get the top spot, in second is Kyrah Durham (Lake Ridge) at 190, 3rd it's Ashley Webb (Summit) at 173, 4th is held by Stephanie LeClear (DFW) at 168, 5th has Allison Williams (Martin) at 163 and in 6th is Chloe Ortega (Martin) at 161. The final spot goes to Jillian Spridco (Lake Ridge) at 157. The Two Alternates are both from Legacy in Morgan Kolanek and Elisa Gaudio. The finals will be held at Forum Bowl in late March.

## Thomas crushes 836, Luden blasts 773

J Thomas 300/826, Powell 299/824, Gifford 300/816, C Thomas 811, Parman 300/802, Buchanan, Crawford, Jr., Ferguson, Klemme 300's, Letcher, Molkowitz 298

Cody Thomas earned high-set honors for the month at Plano Super Bowl with an awardwinning 279-278-279 = 836 Texas Trio session.

There was an abundant number of high-series honors finishing close behind C Thomas for the month as Jason Thomas rolled a 300/826 Thursday Classic, Matt Powell 299/824 Texas Trio, Matthew Gifford 300/816 Sportsman, Cody Thomas 811 Sportsman, Geoff Parman 300/802 Sportsman.

Jana Luden, from the Pepsi Classic group, fired a blistering 258-247-268 = 773 set to front distaff scoring.

John Buchanan, Don Craw ford, Jr., Bill Ferguson and Jack Klemme shared high-game honors with J Thomas, Gifford and Parman as each posted award-winning 12-baggers. Dale Letcher and Adam Molkowitz followed with 298 games.

HONOR ROLL
Chris Russell 269-751, Cat Amrose 232-610, Robert Eidenier (4 games) 287-1002, Elena Sly (4 games) 267-806, Dale Letcher 791, Jenifer Wainscott 247-666, Kevin Higar 235-645, Joni Coble 182-489.

J on Ashley 247-707, M onica Adams 237-676, Bill Ferguson 288-754, Emily Sallee 249-688, J eremy Glover (4 games) 279-1032, J ada Davis (4 games) 258-882, Diane Wallentine 217-615.

Fred Menifee 290-771, Michelle VanGilder 237-608, Jim Monroe 256618, Diane Hartman 200-550, Virginia Hummel 257-732, Stefanie Johnson 258-723, Christi Nedved 259-723.

Dottie Culpon 195-545, J eff Forman 277-797, Chris Warren 280-784, Elaine Barnes 257-708, Adam Molkowitz 759, Michelle Myers 220-663, Charlie Arnt 263-649, Nancy Chalker 182-512.

Breanna Buchanan 248-690, Bryan

Halterman 209-556, Anne Crain 194518, George Vaughn 266-688, Dottie Culpon 212-582, Lisa Wasson 243-707, Lannis Nelson-Moon 269-700.

Justin Westerman 251-673, Debbie Whitson 212-514, Jeremy Bostock 279-794, Kaitlin Williams 248-646, Chris Warren (4 games) 290-1065,

Jana Luden (4 games) 368-998, Doug Turner 280-725.

Libby Cherry 233-628, Stan Allan 266-757, Kaitlin Williams 247-625, Kevin Hiam 260-752, Kaitlin Williams 257-727, J osh Cain 213-638, Keith Beagle 237-676, Lindsay Gable 256-651.


## Simonsen Wins 2022 U.S. Open for Third Major Title



Major Champion Anthony Simonsen

By: Matt Cannizzaro
INDIANA POLIS - (February 6) Almost six years after making history at Woodland Bowl, Anthony Simonsen of Las Vegas was back to claim another spot in the bowling record book, this time by winning the 2022 U.S. Open for his third major title on the Professional Bowlers Association Tour

## At Strikz

been defeated six times since 2015.
"It was a long two years to wait after losing the title match in 2020 and then not bowling last year, so there certainly was some redemption in being able to win this time," Simonsen said. "It also is big because of how the season started at this year's (PBA) Players Champion ship. I didn't feel like I bowled all that great, but I didn't bowl terribly, either. It's good to be moving in the right direction as the season gets going."

On the way to the win over Tackett, Simonsen struck six times in his first seven frames to put the game out of reach. Tackett, a 29-year-old righthander and 14-time PBA Tour champion, opened four times in the first eight frames.

## RANDOM THOUGHTS

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speaker got 10 minutes and I feel that everyone stayed true to that and we were actually ahead of schedule for the night.

Last was our soft-spoken friend Wes, so he should knock this out pretty quick too... right... maybe not

He spoke for 50 minutes.. yes, I timed him.

As we were leaving for the airport this morning, I stopped and spoke with Josh Blanchard Gary Mage and Marshall Holman (who introduced Gary).

Josh gave me a hard time by asking if Wes was finished talking yet, I said hey....it was ONLY 50 minutes... and to that Marshall said, yeah it was only 50 minutes, but it felt a LOT longer.

I still haven't stopped Iaughing at that comment.

God bless Wes and God bless bowling.

Tackett's resume includes two majors - the 2016 PBA World Championship and 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions and he was looking to become the eighth bowler in history to complete the PBA Triple Crown
"I had a couple different ball choices, and I went with the one that got me there," Tackett said. "This particular time, on that particular pair, it wasn't the right one. I think the ball

I threw was just a little bit too early, which forced me to throw it too far to the right. I just made the wrong ball choice, and that happens.

In 2016, a month past his 19th birthday, Simonsen won the USBC Masters to become the PBA Tour's youngest major champion. That win came shortly after the death of his mother, so it carried a little

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## SIMONSEN US OPEN

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extra meaning for the young two-hander, who grew up in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

This time, Simonsen again arrived at Woodland Bowl with a heavy heart, following the recent loss of his father, and it's something he did think about once he was on-site.
"My mom passed a couple months prior to us bowling the M asters here, and I came away with the win, and my dad passed away a couple of months ago, so coming back, I had a weird feeling this week in regards to that," Simonsen said "And, it's a center I'm comfortable in, with some past success, so that always plays into it. That comfort definitely was a key to my success this week."

Simonsen, whose second major title was the 2019 PBA Players Championship, entered Sunday's stepladder as the No. 2 seed, 502 pins behind Tackett after 56 games of qualifying and match play across four oil Continued on Page 9
At Red Bird Lanes

> Hill notches 775, Cathey snags 700

Kevin Hill led the scoring race last month at Red Bird Lanes by hammering out hefty 259-258-258 $=775$ Sunday Nite Mixed marks.

Lauren Cathey earned fem scoring honors with a solid 238-215-247 $=700$ M embers Only set. HONOR ROLL
Tommy Moreland 212-586, Carolyn Large 191-524, Cindy Howell 211-565, Paula Kennedy 241-628, Zachary Wrightsil 266-758, Gavin Maxwell 245-726, Julio Castaneda (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 300-1151. David Green

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## 10 YEARS AGO

Robert Elmore bowls his first perfect game at 79-yrs-old at Oil Bowl in Longview... Pete Weber wins his 5th US Open title, who do you think you are, I am...J oey McKay led the honor roll with 878 at PSB...Terry Fogarty shot 847 at Diamond Lanes...Alan Kiker rolled 834 at Oil Bowl Lanes... Tamm McFarland led the ladies with 796...Dana MillerMackie shot 780 at Tenpins \& More...Judy Leverich rolled 779 at Diamond Lanes...A manda Goolsby shot 767 at Mel's Lone Star Lanes...Dom Barrett wins the PBA Scorpion title in Las Vegas... Marshall Kulow wins first SA SBA title... Matt Cabanski wins 8-gamer at USA Bowl and \$1000...Del Ballard becomes tour consultant for Storm... Shannon O'Keefe wins Bluebonnet Queens and DJ Archer wins Texas Masters.

## 20 YEARS AGO

Mary Betke wins her 6th Bluebonnet Queens crown at AMF Woodlands-Conroe, and my sweet Genie Franklin was second...Doug Kent wins $\$ 120,000$ for the PBA World Championship over Lonnie Waliczek...Chris Castro led the honor roll with 835 at AMF DeSoto...Craig Maskarinec shot 815 at AMF Irving, and Tam Wasson the same score at Plano...Jeri Johnson rolled 745 at DC Cityview...Linda Urbanek with 716 at A stro...Danielle Sharp shot 700 at AM F Show place Euless...Chuck and Diane Lande welcome their son Jeremy on Feb 21... Steve Wilson wins PBA Flagship Open for his 4th career title.

## 30 YEARS AGO

Mary Betke wins her 4th Bluebonnet Queens crown at Triangle-Irving...Chris Warren wins PBA Florida Open against Bob Vespi, one of the best finishes you will ever watch, check it out on YouTube...Wamo Matlock led the honor roll with 828 at Grove Country...J ay Saunders rolled 807 at DC West... Gary Hamm a 796 at Show place-Euless... Carol Bailey led the Iadies with 717 at Forum...Kat LeCroy shot 715 at DC SW...Bev Richardson with 689 at Jupiter... Leanne Barrette named LPBT Player of the Year for the 2nd consecutive year... Brian Butler a perfect game at Jupiter.
(9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 280-1059, Cindi Wilson 149-423, Carolyn Large 195-486, Mike Tisza 268-702, Karen Strang 175-484, Billy Cathey 248-714, Lauren Cathey 256-695

Brian Schoonover 241-683, Darnette Hardin 228-602, Damien Najera

252-683, Sheri Morrison 192-440, Stacy Harden 269-744, Debbie Cathey 200-584, Tyree Jennings, Jr. 214-598.

Angela Chalmers 178-516, Tyree Jennings, Jr. 279-735, B J Jennings 208-518, Frankie Alonzo 256-753, Lauren Cathey 244-663.

## At Cowtown Bowling Palace

## Dunn banks 793, Channell chalks up 643

David Dunn rounded-up the top score of the month at Cowtown Bowling Palace with a power-packed 257-257-279 $=793$ Just For Fun series.

Raychel Channell headed the Iadies high-set chart with an impressive 243-221-179 = 643 Thirsty Thursday session. HONOR ROLL
David Dunn 255, Wendy VanNoy 208, Jason Hurst 246-682, Olin Gibbins 244, Bryant Philip 244, Bill Uthoff 263, Catie Jensen 265, Thomas Gwin 259, Jamie Hines 236-638, George Stilen 258-741.

Cathy Nelson 223, Kevin Moore 274-730, Tiffany Price 186, A Ilan Bogan 246, Ken Koonce 244, Ben Tunnell 244, Harlan Tunnell 284, Jamie Hines 221-599, Brian Thornburg 252-715.

Michelle Teel 209, J ason M agallon, Sr. 246, Ryan Boroff 280, Cathy Nelson 245, Mark Smith 277, Diana Jessie 231, Ron Boroff 268, Julie McHugh 212, Pat Currie 268, Anathia Cunningham 256.
Jessee Aldaco 278, Jacki Craft 256-634, Timothy Landers, Jr. 247, Lina Trubenstein 233, Ben Tunnell 243-630, Nelson Collins 223, Craig Smith 215, Kris LeCory 268-709, Alexis Simpson 224-627.

Ron Nason 258, John Gallant, Sr. 246, Joe Pesqueda 223, Andrew Rice 221, Becky Rice 194-508, Michael Hinojos 215, J eff Rice 215-590.

## SENIORS

John Stewart 245, Wanda Vantrease 255, Ken Eilert 244, DebbieCathey 245641, Woody Godbey 238-667, Barbara A rceneaux 238, David Pruitt 249-632, Reva Springfield 191-526.

John Gallant, Sr. 215, Woody Godbey 258, Christy Ealy 200, Bill Noah 245, Luis Morales 236-662, J ohn Stewart 236.

## SIMONSEN US OPEN

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patterns. It marked the fifth time since the U.S. Open's 2015 return from a one-year hiatus, that the top seed led by more than 270 pins and did not win. In 2020, Simonsen finished 362 pins ahead of the field.
'Yes, leading by 500 is all grand, but it doesn't matter," Tackett said. "It doesn't mean anything. This is what means something. I didn't do it. The positive is, I led by 500 over the best bowlers in the world. I know I'm bowling well, but I have to figure out what to do to win."

To earn the meeting with Tackett, Simonsen survived a rematch with Belmonte, who won the season-opening PBA Players Championship for his record-extending 14th PBA major win and 26th title overall.

In the low-scoring semifinal, Simonsen outlasted the Australian two-hander, 180-168, with a ninth-frame ball change sparking his run to the title. The two combined for five open frames, which included two washouts, two splits and a chopped 6-10 combination from Simonsen early in the match. Simonsen and Belmonte were separated by one pin after nine frames. Simonsen finished first and delivered three strikes
in his final frame to force Belmonte to do the same for a one-pin victory. The 38 -year-old missed the headpin to the right on his first offering and left the 1-2-4 combination to fall short.

A win Sunday for Belmonte would've made him the first player in history to complete the PBA Super Slam twice. His win over Simonsen at the 2020 U.S. Open allowed him to achieve the feat for the first time, matching USBC and PBA Hall of Famer Mike Aulby.

The Super Slam includes the U.S. Open, PBA Tournament of Champions, PBA World Championship, PBA Players Championship and Masters. Belmonte entered the championship round Sunday as the fifth seed and defeated No. 4 Jake Peters of Henderson, Nevada, and No. 3 AJ J ohnson of Oswego, Illinois, to set up the meeting with Simonsen

Against Johnson, Belmonte needed to spare a 10 pin in his final frame and get one pin on the fill ball to advance to the semifinal. He was successful and moved on, 221-212.

Johnson is a six-time runner-up in PBA Tour competition, the first of which came against Belmonte at the 2015 Masters. He did later pick up a win against the world's best at the 2019 Korea PBA SamHo Cup, but that was a non-title event.

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In the opening match Sunday, Belmonte struck three times in the first four frames, and seven times overall, to cruise to a 246-198 victory over Peters.

Peters won his lone PBA Tour title in 2013 and was in search of his first major victory. He was not able to record a strike in the second half of the game and was slowed by a washout in the seventh frame that he was unable to convert.

All rounds of qualifying and match play this week were broadcast live at BowITV.com.

The 108 U.S. Open entrants bowled 24 games over three days and three oil patterns before the field was cut to the top 36 for the eight-game Cashers' Round on a fourth oil pattern.

After 32 games, total pinfall determined the 24 bowlers for round-robin match play, and total pinfall for 56 games, including bonus pins for each match won, decided the five players for the stepladder

The fourth oil pattern was used for the Cashers' Round, match play and the TV show.

The field at Woodland Bowl was made up of the sport's top performers in recent seasons. It included the leaders on the

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## At J B's Allen Bowl

## Burnham banks 785, Starry crafts 706

Fales, Huynh, Sander add 300's

Josh Burnham won the battle last month for top billing at J B's Allen Bowl with outstanding 238-279-268 = 785 numbers in "Steve Ray" El Dorado Dbls league play.

Stacy Starry booked a banner 227-243-236 = 706 Wednesday Match Play set to earn fem scoring laurels.

Brad Fales, Sang Huynh and Al Sander shared high-game accolades as each recorded awardwinning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL
Chris Sivak 288-694, Jon Kehler 265-748, Debbie Colby 267-675, John Biedebach 279-761, Genie Franklin 246-675, Alan Eden 269-769, Cindy Powell 219-624, Andi Hall 183-538, Alex Munden 276-760.

Tammy Crawford 267-641, Trevor Mielock 246-703, Heather Koch 242-552.

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Danny Kerley 236-673, Maria Robeson 233-594, Andrew Nguyen 266-652, Dorothy Woodruff 222-590.




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For some wonderfully unknown reasons, PBA telecasts in the first six weeks of a calendar year over the years tend to range from memorable to historic. Looking at the PBA Top 60 list and my own Top 25 TV Bowling Moments list, there have been a handful of PBA TV perfect games (two with ties to Texas, Pete McCordic in 1987, Bob Benoit in 1988 at Forum Bowl), Kelly Kulick's 2010 Tournament of Champions win, Del Ballard's 1987 U.S.

Open win, and one of the most watched PBA telecasts ever, the 1980 AMF M agic Score Open, with millions snowed in due to a blizzard that week

But unlike years ago, only one of the above listed events aired the same day as an NFL playoff game. As we awaited the start of both NFL conference championship games, Kulick's win was seen by an average viewership of 1.765 million, one of the highest rated PBA telecasts aired on ESPN.

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The regional finals of the PBA Players Championship aired on and directly against what will be remembered as the most talked about and watched NFL Divisional Playoff weekend perhaps ever all with the four contests decided on each game's final play. flipped back and forth betw een the two, giving the DVR a bit of work out catching up on a turning point in a match or how Patrick Mahomes worked his magic for another fourth down conversion. Yes, I was in the minority of channel surfers, a vast majority stayed with football.

Nielsen average viewership for the PBA shows on FS1 was not great, considering the NFL Divisional Round is the last of the J anuary weekends with games on both Saturday and Sunday. So going up against games with an average of 30 to 42 million viewers, the PBA's Saturday East and South finals didn't make the day's top 150, as listed by show buzzdaily. com.

The two late Sunday afternoon shows fared better. The Midwest finals averaged 101,000 viewers and an 0.02 rating, the Southwest finals averaged 95,000 with an 0.02 rating. Considering those two telecasts were up against the highly-hyped Tampa Bay/ Los Angeles matchup that turned out to be Tom Brady's final game (sorry, no Sandi Charles reference this time, Brady's biggest fan in Texas), the PBA will gladly take the 132nd and 137th rated shows, respectively.

The Players Championship finals Saturday night J anuary 29 drew a solid average of 260,000 , a 0.17 rating with 61,000 in the 18-49 group. As a comparison, last year two Players Championship regional finals aired late Saturday and early Sunday afternoon of Super Bowl Sunday, both averaging

## Just Paying Attention <br> By Mark London <br> Mark@TheBowlingNews.net


over 200,000 on FS1.
With the only the second half of the NFL Pro Bowl and Beijing Olympics as viewing options, the U.S Open telecast fared better February 13, averaging 201,000/0.12 rating/ 14,000 18-49 group).

Don't be surprised if average viewership is over one million on first telecast of the season on the main Fox network as the PBA Tournament of Champions airs Sunday February 27 at Noon Central Time. I'Il have a recap on that and the upcoming World Series of Bowling shows later in March in the April JPA right here in TBN.

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A sign of the times, perhaps. One of the centers hosting the previously list top early season moments, Del Ballard's first of two U.S. Open wins, Narrows Plaza Bowl in University Place, Washington, closed for the final time Sunday February 20. Opened in 1983, the center got its first national exposure thirty-five years ago as he defeated top seed Pete Weber for the 1987 Open and its then record $\$ 100,000$ winner's check. Part of the early ow nership group included bowling legend Earl A nthony and former PBA touring player J eff Mattingly. According to its Facebook page, the site has been sold to an apartment developer.

That 1987 U.S Open win was also Ballard's first PBA win, his first of two that season. The other win was an unofficial major, the Brunswick Memorial World Open, long considered a major by the players with its
onger format, similar to the other majors. His 1987 season also established him as one of the bigger names on tour through the 1990's.

This is also the 35th anniversary of the historic Pete McCordic TV 300 game, rolled at Gable House Bowl in the Los Angeles suburb of Torrance, California. Opened in 1959, the center's higher ceiling profile show louder acoustics, but wonderful for television, as McCordic's game and other telecasts over the years attest.

True Value Hardware started to back a PBA TV 300 game $\$ 100,000$ bonus several years before, but someone winning it was one factor that brought the PBA back into mainstream media attention. Saturday J anuary 31, 1987 was in the first weekend without NFL football playoffs, Super Bowl XXI had been the previous Sunday. There was a lull in the national sports schedules as the NBA, NHL, and NCAA basketball were in the middle of their seasons. Not much else was going on, then the first live nationally televised 300 game in thirteen years happens.

It was great video for many local sports segments on Saturday TV newscasts. ESPN highlighted it as a news story, then CNN Sports Tonight featured it as its Play of The Day, a regular feature on its daily sports news show, its answer to ESPN SportsCenter,

Since it was the first TV 300 game Chris Schenkel called (he missed the prior three as I've

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Meet Tom Shannon... Bowlero CEO Predicts More Than 700 Locations By 2027

It's interesting that after the departure of Colie Edison from Bowlero last month, there have been a number of interviews featuring CEO Tom Shannon on websites like YouTube, Yahoo Finance, TD Ameritrade, CNBC, and more. As you can see from some of the website names, Mr. Shannon is most likely making the rounds to promote the Bow lero Corporation stock, listed as BOWL on the New York Stock Exchange.

After watching a few of these interviews, I found Shannon to be highly personable and quick on his feet while answering a barrage of questions about everything from bowling birthday parties to profit and loss statements usually from inside a bowling center and without any notes or cue cards.

Bowlero's public stock introduction with the assistance of a Special Purpose Acquisition Company (SPAC) called ISOS Acquisition Corporation, has valued the company at $\$ 2.6$ billion. That's a far cry from where Shannon started in 1997 when he purchased the original Bowlmor Lanes on University Place in New York City. The center, which originally opened in 1938 and was one of the largest in the land with a total of 44 lanes, was rundown and in need of a major overhaul, according to Shannon.
"Bowlmor was actually losing money when I bought it, which is hard to do given the margins in our business," said Shannon during an interview on Yahoo Finance. He decided to buy Bowlmor and reinvested in it heavily. "We took it from $\$ 1$ million in annual revenue to more than $\$ 15$ million, making it one of the highest grossing centers in the world. It became the genesis of our business."

I remember while working for Nationwide Bowling Centers (based across the Hudson River from Bowlmor in New Jersey), a series of risqué post cards generated by Bowlmor caught the eye of Robert Kaplus, the owner of Nationwide. He encouraged me to go and check out Bowlmor, but at the time none of the improvements
were underway and I was not impressed. We did, however, embark on a post card campaign, without the shock value of the suggestive Bowlmor cards that suited the late-night crowd in New York City.

During the interview on Yahoo Finance, both Brian Sozzi and Julie Hyman admitted to their "closet bowling habit." Sozzi was a league bowler in nearby Long Island a couple of nights a week, while Julie's mom was a duckpin bowler. "Most people don't even know what that is," commented Hy man. She then asked Shannon how many bowling locations Bowlero was planning to build in the next few years.
"We have acquired and built about 30 locations in the past six months, with a pipeline of maybe 30 more behind that," said Shannon. "There are 3500 independently ow ned bowling centers in the U.S., so I think that we could grow from our current total of 320 centers to more than 700 in the next five years. There are a lot of mom and pop proprietors in their 70's that are looking to exit for the right price."

Sozzi commented that when he was a league bowler he wore a special shirt and didn't want to be disturbed with disco lights, music and videos. "I mean, what do you tell the league bowlers like me as you transition the business to broaden your base? How do you keep the league bowlers coming back every week?"
"Well, the league members bowl in the normal conditions, white lights and no music,' stated Shannon. "There are social leagues that bowl with black light, videos on giant screens and music, but those are a minority of the leagues Traditional leagues continue to bowl in the normal environment that you are referencing. We still do a lot of league business, and it's a meaningful part of our company.
"We also own the PBA, which is the televised sport bowling that you see on Fox and Fox Sports," said Shannon "We've invested a lot in the content and prize funds to in-

(I-r) PBA Commissioner Tom Clark, Colie Edison and Tom Shannon at the 2018 Chris Paul Invitational
crease viewer awareness. That's one way that we're showing our commitment to league bowlers and to the sport of bowling.

Nicole Petallides on the TD Ameritrade Network also admitted to a league bowling history on nearby Long Island, where she averages a 135. "You must be a great bowler. Do you bowl?" Shannon answered, "I average about 160, and my highest game is a 236 ." Petallides replied, "That sounds pretty good. I guess we both have some room for grow th in our bowling scores.

Isn't it interesting that no matter what the skill level... everyone knows their highest game.

## SIMONSEN US OPEN

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PBA Tour points list, Team USA and Junior Team members, top performers at USBC events and PBA majors, and those who advanced from an on-site pre-tournament qualifier last weekend.

The 2022 U.S. Open was a collaborative effort betw een USBC and the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America. The total prize fund for the event was $\$ 282,000$.

The last time the event awarded a six-figure prize to the champion was 2009.

For more information about the U.S. Open, visit BOW L
com/ USOpen.
2022 U.S. Open
FINAL STANDINGS
1, Anthony Simonsen, Las Vegas, 412 (two games), \$100,000.

2, EJ Tackett, Bluffton, Ind., 165 (one game), $\$ 50,000$.
3, Jason Belmonte, Australia, 635 (three games), \$25,000.

4, AJ Johnson, Oswego, III. 212 (one game), \$12,500.

5, J ake Peters, Henderson, Nev., 198 (one game), \$7,500

STEPLADDER RESULTS
Match No. 1 - Belmonte def Peters, 246-198.

Match No. 2 - Belmonte def Johnson, 221-212.

Semifinal - Simonsen def. Belmonte, 180-168.

Championship - Simonsen def. Tackett, 232-165.


I don't need a coach or lessons

I don't know of a great player in any sport who didn't have a coach who guided them to where they are or who doesn't currently have a coach to help them stay there.

It's a pervasive attitude,
particularly in our sport, that a coach is not necessary. Every bowling coach out there has had this conversation: "W hat do you do?" "I'm a bowling coach." The non-verbal response is either a smirk, laughter (thinking you're kidding), or shock. The translation

## At Western Bowl

## Sledge masters 300/837, Larson tosses 763

Albracht 802

AMARILLO, TX - Elijah Sledge's award-w inning 278-259$300=837$ Super Bowl League production captured high-series honors for the month at Western Bowl.

Tyler Albracht finished close behind Sledge with an awardwinning 802 series.

Megan Larson's chart-topping 258-258-247 = 763 numbers in Fridays Super Bowl League fronted fem scoring.

HONOR ROLI
Eddy Kelley 794, Trey Ford 780, Cory Sharp 778, Tyler Sharp 774, Chuck Collins 764, Mike Garrison 758 Jeff Kerbs 750, Chris Fox 749, Gary Dunn 748, Brian Collier 729, Darren Lambright 726.

Joey Rivers 725, Ricardo Corral 725, Kirk Kerbo 723, David Frazier 719, Jimmy Buckner 718, Michae Waters 708, David Wilson 707, J onathan Lawson 703, Jim Faust 703, Kevin

Pennington 698. Brien Roberts 695, Charles Chivington 687, Nick Raburn 683, Brent Beavers 681, Terry Thome 679, Brennen Gerdes 678, Cory Stewart 677, Jeff Campbell 676, Kevin Edmondson 676, John Walton 675.

Don Grenier, Jr. 675, Garry MCLaughlin 674, Randy Ingram 674, Mark Goswick 671, Jack Turner 671, Grayham Sim 669, Brennen Chaparro 667, Jeremy Dubose 665, Derek Jones 662, Candra Clary 756.

Leslie Cooper 708, Carrie Wichers 700, Mindy Lambright 648, Rhonda Rogers 634, Kyla Collier 624, Samantha Fox 607, Aliyah Chandler 621, Connie Moorman 612, Cindy Brock 601.

Donna Jensen 601, Kaycie Dubose 599, Melanie 598, Kat Swindell 589, Jamie Sharp 586, Carolyn Galan 586, Emilt Axtell 572, Debbie Shannon 571, Alyssa Neal 567, Cathy Tate 566, Cassie Dunn 562.

## At Terrell

## Rogers racks 300/825, Ellington mints 658

Holley 300

TERRELL - Billy Rogers headed the leader boards las month at Terrell Bowling Center with award-w inning 246-279-300 $=825$ numbers in Tuesday Night Mixed action

Patty Ellington, also from the Tuesday Night Mixed group, was red hot for the ladies with a sky-high 221-224-213 = 658 set. Bobby Holley shared high game honors with Rogers with an aw ard-winning 12-bagger.

## HONOR ROLL

Mark Sleeper, Jr. 268-735, Linda Chambers 207-562, Marshall Morrison

268-707, Mary Mason 236-556, Joe Findling 258-730, Barbara Shaw 199 578, Tracy Hopkins 290-634, Vanessa Brown 213-587.

Derian Hatcher 289-727, Doyle Hatcher 243-710, Kari Bell 226-567, Mike Blunt 243-700, Janet Newkirk 222-570, Ira Taylor 257-706, Bobby Holley 736, Stoney Burke, Jr. 258-705, J eff Hunter 267-731.

Larry Carter 242-700, Shelby Hollis 238-706, Eldon Pickens 259-760, Jeff Hobbs 239-701, Justin Nabors 247-701, Richie Rylant 258-713, Matthew Ivey 268-704, Michael Parker 266-667
is that they didn't think anyone needed a coach to bowl. After all, you just stand here and throw there. How hard can it be?

If perfection is a strike and a three year old can do it now and again, this can't be too hard. I haven't heard of a three year old getting a hole-in-one, thus a bit of a credibility gap. Most people wouldn't think of going to Pebble Beach to play golf right after they went to one of the "-Marts" to buy their clubs. They go to the driving range to practice and get some coaching, even with "-M art" equipment. That coaching comes from someone they have never heard of, by the way. They don't ask about handicap or how many holes-in-one they have as a standard for judging instructor worthiness.
It is so much more fun to do it on purpose. Having a coach will help you add versatility to your game, increase your appreciation for the intriguing nuances of the sport, and really add to your enjoyment. It's like being in the Express Lane for learning bowling, bypassing others who struggle by listening to the "coaches" in their league or think the magic is in a new ball. It's way more gratifying to make a move based on a conscious, informed decision and have it work than to get a lucky strike. I can't repeat luck but I can sure turn that smart move into something. Thanks, Coach Bill Harris.

See ya' at strikeability.com


## JUST PAYING ATTENTION

 Continued from Page 13chronicled here), he mentioned it just about every week the rest of that 1987 season. And when McCordic made the True Value Hardware Open telecast a month later, Bo Burton had a prerecorded interview with him, showing the final shot again.

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Also in the April JPA, a review of the highly anticipated Tom Smallwood-inspired CBS-TV sitcom, "How We Roll." The pilot episode airs Thursday March 31 at 8:30 pm Central. CBS started airing promos during it programming day.

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## TEXAS MASTERS/BBQ

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race was on from there
Rodriguez earned $\$ 1,025$, plus the tiara for 1st place, with Zavjalova earning \$800 for 2nd.

Other Finalists:
3rd Anita Arnett \$625 4th Nicolette Gaudette $\$ 550$ 5th Tina Williams $\$ 475$ 6th Kiyoko McDonald \$425 7th Jovan Ebalaroza-FIores \$375

8th Brooke Simmons \$350
Other Cashers:
9th Catie Beasley \$300
10th Sandi Charles \$275
11th Estefania Cobo $\$ 250$
12th Kelsi Anderson \$240
13th Mads McDuff \$230
14th Kristina Kennicutt 225
15th Christina Barber \$215
16th Brianna Brown \$200
The results from the
exas M asters side of the house helped create some fun history as M aria's husband, Nathan Bohr won his second Master's title and for some reason, he only wins in the same years that his wife wins...yes, they both won back in 2019.

The final game of the tournament will surely be a memorable one for Bohr, as he had a 135-pin lead over Josh Sorola and a 151-pin lead over Anthony Lavery-Spahr with just one game to go.

Things got interesting in a hurry...Lavery-Sphar finished with 268 , plus the 30 bonus pins for the win, forcing Bohr to get just one mark in his final two frames to secure the win. This tournament was being held on an extremely challeng ing pattern, so low games were always a possibility
Needing just that one mark,

Bohr left the 4-6-10 split in the 9th, got two of them, now leaving himself needing a mark in the tenth to win. He decided to take the "safe" approach and throw it straight at the headpin. Good move as he left just the 5 -pin. It should be an easy spare for one of the best spare shooters you will ever find. But pressure is a tough bird and he missed it, by a bunch. This resulted in a tie between ALS and Bohr, so per the rules, they flipped a coin to determine who would get to choose the pair for one final game for the title

Bohr won the flip, picked a pair he liked, bowled a great game and got his second Texas Masters title.

Bohr took home \$2,725 for
the win, with Lavery-Spahr earning \$2,250.

Other Finalists:
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## At Hallmark

## Cina nails 759, Ciesiolka banks 730

KILLEEN - Jordan Cina was the bowler to beat in the Hit \& Miss Classic league at Hallmark Lanes last month in leading all players with a power-packed 759 series.

Sierra Ciesiolka led the Iadies with a hard-hitting 269/730 M onday Trios league production. HONOR ROLL
Allan Smith 279, Jordan Cina 732, Eric Jackson 218, Phil Noble 634, Lo Shatto 189, Maria Dittmer 475, Rocky Sparks 267, Dick Sayers 678, Peg Hartley 224, Cookie Reddock 543, Jeremy Tibbs 267.

Robert Norvell 648, Precious Turner 238, Jen Morgan 606, Doc Rainwater 234, PJ Duerre 623, Nella China 157, Kristie Duerre 538, Allan Smith 279, J ordan Garza 755, Marlys Wykes-Smith 204-573.

George Rodriguez || 241, Phil Noble 608, Summer Heidtbrink 164, Peyton Heidtbrink 582, Bobby Travis 256-738, Sharon Jeffers 212-578, Robert Norvell 257, Jordan Garza 693, Karin Ciesiolka 194.

Esther Navarro 574, PJ Duerre 233, Eric Jackson, Sr. 631, Sonya Stokes 164, Kristie Duerre 481, Jordan Garza

279-757, Jazz Bonnett 254-628, George Rodriguez 225, Phil Noble 625, Maria Dittmer 155.
Lo Shatto 487, Tom Robideau 269, Rod Watkins 649, Sharon Jeffers 231-620, James Schirripa 258, Jordan Garza 718, Cookie Reddock 222, Lisa Maruna 582, Ralph Anderson 211, Eric Jack son, Sr. 614.

Sonya Stokes 149, Kristie Duerre 532, Darrell Malone 280, Allan Smith 693, Jazz Bonnett 191-557, J ayC Ponger 226, Eric Jackson 642, Summer Heidtbrink 155, Maria Dittmer 529.
Gilbert Martinez 268-680, Crystal Wiley 236-606, Jason Brann 256, Ben Hogan 675, Cookie Reddock 225, Karin Ciesiolka 608, Eric Jackson, Sr. 244, David Fambrough 643, Leena Stokes 139 .

Kristie Duerre 464, Stixx Stickles 277, Jeremy Ledet 708, Karin Ciesiolka 233-664, Jim Dittmer 231, Nick DeShong 609, Lucy Billman 164, Deborah Kennedy 512, Tyler Blackman 279, TJ Jones 677.

Cookie Reddock 203-581, Jordan Cina 258, Jonathan Evans 661, Karin Ciesiolka 255-577, Jim Dittmer 237, Eric Jackson 679, Kelly Trujillo 159, Maria Dittmer 484, Will Binder 267-737.

Cookie Reddock 244-601, Michael Slade 257, Heather Cook 222, Stephanie Hamric 611.

SENIORS
TJ J ones 244, Paul Cantu 654, Barbara Hernandez 188, Cookie Reddock 579, Luis Baez 247, Michael Slade 680, Peg Hartley 196, Brenda Washington 561, T J J ones 246, Luis Baez 664.

Cookie Reddock 207, Barbara Person 580, Robert Norvell 267, Michael Slade 673, Marcella Marshall 207, Barbara Person 573, Virges Collins 268, Sam Cominsky 678, Barbara Hernandez 200.

Cookie Reddock 553, Gary Wendlandt 213, Sam Cominsky 682, Evelyn Tradup 193, Barbara Person 573, T Jones 236, Sam Cominsky 682, Ev Tradup 183, Linda Meads 529, Sam Cominsky 237.

Robert Norvell 685, Evelyn Tradup 190, Christine Scott 521, Mike Elwell 243, Luis Baez 652, Linda Strickland 204, Barbara Hernandez 580, Sam Cominsky 247, Luis Baez 648, Sue Cummings 191.

Cookie Reddock 554, Jo Young 247, Robert Norvell 666, Peg Hartley 193, Sue Cummings 530.

## At Killeen Bowlerama

## Odette books 826, Reddock claims 733

## Baez 815, Cominsky, Cutler, Solis 300's

KILLEEN, TX - Eric Odette's award-winning 826 Sundowners group session lit up the lanes last month at Killeen Bowlerama.

Luis Baez finished close behind Odette with an awardwinning 290/815 STARS outing.

Cookie Reddock headed the Iadies' leader board with a robust 259/733 Commercial league showing.

Sam Cominsky, J oe Cutler and

Youth bowler Leo Solis shared high-game honors with awardwinning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL
Tawana Ramey 248-685, Phil Thurston 693, Glo Lucas 530, Curtis Robinson 671, Liz Romero 522, Eric Odette 772, Adam Anquiano 738, Stephanie Hamric 710, Walter Harrison 738, Sandi Charles 690.

Mark Kujan 736, Tawana Ramey 660, Joey Wood 736, Darline Bryant

652, Bryan Cathey 734, Sandi Charles 259-687, Josh Morgan 756, Darryl Martin 730, Jeff Vanecek 725, Brian Joseph 279-738.

Jenny Shotwell 245-696, Jeff Vanecek 719, Jen Morgan 694, Tom Wright 713, Stephanie Hamric 676, Damian Codrington 289-772, Alycia Blackwell 246-631, Phillip Lantz 731, Nate French 725.

Robert Davie 698, John Leon Guerrero 268-725, Brian Joseph 701.

## MALOTT PBA HOF

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of the Year and tossed multiple 300 games on television as part of his undisputed, dominant run as the "King of Bowling."

In PBA League competition, he has been named the Mark Roth Most Valuable Player twice while leading the Portland Lumberjacks to back-to-back PBA Elias Cup titles in 2019 and 2020
"W hen the PBA began tracking stats, I was about 15 or 16 , and two of the people I followed the most were Parker Bohn III and Jason Couch. Why? I don't know," said Malott, with a laugh as he began. "Clearly, I don't know much about the sport or the game because they're lefthanded. With Jason being a power player, I remember him crossing the house with 289, 289... and it was incredible. It was very inspirational to me.
"And, Parker, being one of the guys who is considered textbook. If any of you know me, you know I'm very meticulous and critical of a lot of things that I do, including my game. Parker was one of the ones I followed."

But, as Malott would state as he closed, it's all about belief.
"If any of you happened to see the video when Tom (Clark) interviewed me to let me know I had been voted into the hall of fame, you might have heard me talk about how I was a latecomer to the PBA Tour," Malott said. "It was because I didn't believe in myself. I didn't think I could beat these guys out on tour. I went on and won my first regional, then I won the RPC (Regional Players Championship), which got me into the TOC (Tournament of Champions).
"People started asking me if I'm going out on tour. I initially said I don't know, but then we

## TEXAS MASTERS/BBQ

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3rd J oshua Sorola \$2000
4th Corey Bottos $\$ 1600$
5th Justin W ren $\$ 1350$
6th Terence McQueen $\$ 1050$
7th Eric Traylor \$950
8th Matt Cabanski \$900
Other Cashers:
9th Cole Copeland $\$ 850$
10th Omar Arnett \$775
10th Anthony Buss \$775
12th Melvin Moreno \$700
13th J acob Cutler \$625
13th Ashton Waldrup \$625
15th Brian Lake \$550
16th Denton Witten $\$ 500$
Special thanks to Texas State USBC for running each of the events and thanks to the staff at Westgate Lanes in Austin.
all talked about it, put some money together and put me out on tour, and here we are. With the help and support of family and friends, they pushed me and things continued to fall into place. If there is one thing I can get people to do in life, you got to believe."

Kirk and Mary von Krueger, who met while both were air traffic controllers in the U.S. Navy, are the first married couple to be inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame.

Kirk took the reins as PBA national tournament director in 1996 following the tenure of Johnny Campos. He was the fourth tournament director in PBA history and served in that role until his retirement in 2020. Kirk added Deputy Commissioner to his list of responsibilities in 2011 and again remained in that role until his retirement in 2020. Only the late Harry Golden, who served as national tournament director for 29 years, held the position longer.
"I never expected to be here," said Kirk von Krueger, during his speech. "I never thought this would happen. I want to thank everyone who was involved. I want to thank my family who stuck with me through thick and thin. I want to thank my sons, my daughter and my wife, Mary. Mary, I love you baby. If it wasn't for her, I'd be nothing. She's responsible for me joining the PBA Tour. She was responsible for me having this job. Everything is due to my wife."

Mary, who served alongside her husband as his clerical right hand, became the Membership and Statistics Manager.
"This is beyond my wildest dreams," Mary von Krueger said. "I don't know if you can imagine how overwhelming this is. To stand where so
many legends have stood before - Earl Anthony, Dick Weber, Johnny Petraglia, our dear friend Walter Ray (Williams Jr.), Mark Roth, Marshall Holman and the list goes on and on. Think about it, guys. Did you ever picture yourself in that group? I sure didn't. I was just coming along with Kirk. I was just here with him, and I loved bowling.
"I also want to say thank you to all of my bowlers, all of my guys. I was there for 25 years and all the years before that watching on TV, and I'm still amazed at what you can do on those lanes. Someone who doesn't know about bowling, they don't understand the nuances of what you do. You're amazing. You're absolutely amazing."
Mage, who won his only PBA national title at the 1972 Seattle Open, founded the PBA Northwest region in 1979 and added PBA West Regional Director to his resume in 2004. When he retired in 2020, M age had served for more than 40 years and hosted more tournaments than any other regional director in the history of the PBA Tour. His wife, Toni, was along for the ride with him.
"I was a bowler like all of you guys," said Mage, with a smile. "The only difference is instead of complaining about my cross, who I was following or who was throwing all the bowling balls, I made the mistake of complaining that there weren't any tournaments to bowl in the Northwest. Next thing I knew, I was the regional manager for the Northwest.
"I joined the PBA in 1965. I was able to go out on tour, and I got to bowl with all the greats. I had the privilege of being 'that guy.' When Dick Weber won his last title, he

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## At Mel's Lone Star Lanes

## Wilcox levels 804, Sharp snags 737

GEORGETOW N - Jason Wilcox pounded out potent 268-269-267 = 804 marks in Pot 0 Gold action to capture high-series honors for the month at Mel's Lone Star Lanes.

Kira Sharp, Wilcox' league mate, earned the top spot on the honor roll for the ladies with a rip-roaring 23-244-256 $=737$ set.

Keith Odom earned high-game accolades with a near-perfect 299 solo.

## HONOR ROLL

Keith Odom 745, Laurie Alkier 236641, Thomas Standley 237-671, Mariae Bui 214-592, Marcus Parcell 279-779, Rebecca Lovorn 243-691, Melanie Kellerman 190-500, Craig Schnieder 217-639.

Dustin Sharp 278-707, Elena Johnson 212-587, Marcus Parcell 289748, Lori Schultz 234-651.

SENIORS
Lonnie Milligan 259-732, Wanda Clark 268-620, Charles Guillote 267-684, Kim Friesen 224-621.

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## At Holiday Lanes

## Hatt slams 299/795, Frederick mints 627

## Payne 300

OKLAHOM A CITY, OK - J eff Hatt earned high-series honors last month at Heritage Lanes with a thundering 299-218-278 = 795 series in AM Friday Mixers league action.

Vicki Frederick, also from the AM Friday Mixers group, registered a sizzling 210-171-246 $=627$ set to top the ladies highseries chart.

Clark Payne's award-w inning 12-bagger captured high-game honors.

## HONOR ROLL

James Perkins III 244-714, Kelly Watkins 192-540, Duane Rogers III 269-732, Chloe Thomas 245-626, Chris M organ 267-745, August Fletcher 198-528, Taylor Daniel 245-684, Tracy Brown 225-593.

Matt Sharp 257-677, Linda Sharp 152-387, Kyran Wheeler 247-650, Kim Montgomery 143-408, Randy Harris 222-642, Linda Sharp 145-418, Clark Payne 205-568, Melissa Boyd 114-286.

Carmeletta McCullough 211-493, Connie Godsy 156-457, Melba Cox 165440, Raedene Ketch 183-459, Jimmy Beavers 262-694, Kyana Matsayko 201-459, Jimmy Beavers 278-749, Jeri Hurte 137-386.

Chris Morgan 253-705, Jo Jones 116-322, Nathan Leclere 229-620, Kelli Satnes 177-402, J ames Perkins III 257-691, Kristie Latta 222-596, Duane Rogers III 284-649, DanaJ ones 237-574.

Jake Bedoka 243-640, Kristie Latta 206-560, Jeff Williams 279-705, Anne Beavers 213-558, Damian Daniels 268-743, Lauren Long 279-602, Charles Mclean 263-693, Melissa Ellwood 225-603.

Randy Brammer 289-709, Linda Wilson 211-625, Daisy Looney 234-617, John Ricalde 279-784, Jahmar Ivory 249-718, Deland Bell 216-551, Willeva Reed 163-426, Robert Bogan 182-503.

Cayla Looney 124-335, Jahmar Ivory 264-694, Daisy Looney 181-509, Dre Reed 207-545.


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## USBC to Launch Video Series Recognizing Women in Bowling on International Women's Day



By: Aaron Smith
ARLINGTON, Texas - Melissa McDaniel, Chrissie Kent and Cathy DeSocio each hold a prominent role in helping build a future for the sport at the United States Bowling Congress, and each will be highlighted in a celebration of women in bowling March 8 for International Women's Day.

McDaniel is president of USBC, and Kent and DeSocio are the chairperson for the International Bowling Campus Youth Committee and USBC Finance Committee, respectively. DeSocio also served as vice president of USBC from 2015-2018 and was the first female president of the Bowling Proprietors' Association of


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## America.

All three will be included in video features that will debut during the day on March 8, before the airing of a special edition of The Sport of Bowling Show at 1 p.m. Eastern on BowITV.
The videos will spotlight the women and the many roles they play as they work toward ensuring the future of bowling, while recognizing the efforts taken by those who helped lead the way as athletes and administrators.
"We really look up to and honor the women who came before us, who paved the way both at WIBC (Women's International Bowling Congress) and now at USBC," McDaniel said. "It's fantastic to see that we have so many women who have been willing to step up for the organization at every level, because it takes all of us to help run it."

The areas of focus for the videos will include USBC, the USBC Women's Championships, Professional Women's Bowling Association and youth bowling through IBC Youth Development.
"There have been so many women who have been involved in being a part of the solution over the years," Kent said. "It is important for us to continue to get more women involved, especially through our youth programs."

March is Women's History M onth, and International Women's Day is recognized around the world to celebrate the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women.
"The opportunities that are available to women are much greater now than they've ever been," DeSocio said. "I think that it is important for every little girl out there to know that she has an opportunity to do whatever it is that she wants to do."

Join in the celebration March 8 by sharing a story or posting a photo or video, and use the hashtags \#AFFTS and \#W D2022.

USBC will continue to expand its diversity and inclusion topics, and we welcome the opportunity to showcase the people and other areas that are

## BARRETT TOC

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With the win, the 36-yearold right-hander now joins Mike Aulby, Chris Barnes, J ason Belmonte, Norm Duke, Billy Hardwick, Johnny Petraglia and Pete Weber as players who've won the PBA World Championship, U.S. Open and Tournament of Champions, the original three majors.

## Mark Busscher, Derek Williams, Jared Thompson Win SASBA Trio at All Star



Runner-up Stoney Burke with Champion Michael Hudson

By: Kathy King
SHREVEPORT, LA - We had 30 teams bowl the 60/50/Guest trio at All Star Lanes in Shreveport, Saturday, February 19.

It took 73 points to make the top 5 for the Baker stair step finals.

In the first match, Team Thomas (Pete Thomas, Lee Lorts, Terence McQueen) defeated Team Stephens (Jim Stephens, Jack Zuniga, Chris Johnson) 211-210.

The Thomas team then defeated Team Painter (Kerry Painter, Vernon Adams, Justin Bui) 258-200.

Team Thomas won once again in the third match

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"Not in my wildest dreams
did I think I could ever do
that," said Barrett, after the
match. "I've won a lot around
the world, but not as much
in the USA as I'd hoped.
But, I have three majors, a
Triple Crown and that puts me
alongside Chris Barnes, my
good friend. He's been talking
me into this a little bit this
week along with Jason Couch.
It's unbelievable."
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defeating Team Gullette (Ken Gullette, Bryan Ellis, Fero Williams) 206-194 to set up the final match against Team Busscher (Mark Busscher, Derek Williams, Jared Thompson).

The Busscher team defended their number one spot winning the match 279-238.

It was Mark's 10th SASBA title and Derek's 12th.

300 games - Jared Thompson, Vernon Adams and Marshall Morrison. High Sr. Average - Vernon Adams 235.33. Hi Guest Average -J osh Sorola 238.58

Thank you to Mike Thomas and crew for hosting.

## MALOTT HOF

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beat 'that guy.' That was me. When Earl Anthony won his last title, he beat 'that guy.' He was me. That was my story.'

Since the 2021 induction ceremony was postponed, the 2020 PBA award winners also were recognized Saturday along with the 2021 winners. The 2020 award winners are as follows: 2020 Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte, Australia; PBA Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award winner Brad Miller of Lee's Summit, Missouri; and PBA Tony Reyes Memorial Community Service Award recipient Danny Wiseman of Baltimore.

The 2021 award winners were: Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year Kyle Troup, Taylorsville, North Carolina; Harry Golden PBA Rookie of the Year Matt Russo, Fairview Heights, Illinois; PBA Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award winner Jake Peters of Henderson, Nevada; and PBA Tony Reyes Memorial Community Service Award recipient Warren Eales of Chandler, Arizona.

## BARRETT TOC

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In the championship match, Barrett opened with four out of the first five and held a 27-pin advantage after Prather failed to convert the 3-6-10 in the sixth frame.

But, on a day where the best players in the world were uncharacteristically missing spares, it was Barrett who provided the spare of the match.

In the sixth frame, Barrett missed the headpin right and left the 1-2-4-8-10. In a situation which could've derailed his title hopes, he calmly spared the washout conversion and used a generous break to help convert the 3-6-10 in the seventh frame.

Prather, who was looking to win his second Tournament of Champions title in three years, still had life, but a solid 9 pin in the eighth frame and an open in the ninth ended his chances.
"It's just things coming together," said Barrett, referring to the sixth and seventh frames. "The right lane started to hook early and it was already tight, so I had to make sure to get it around the carrydown and urethane, and I just missed it slightly. (On the left lane) I think I over adjusted and my hand got really behind the ball, which I didn't need to do, and it hooked, and I was very fortunate to make the spare."

Like many international players, Barrett balances life on the PBA Tour with his family life in England. During the live FOX broadcast, his wife, Cassie, was seen on FaceTime via

Dom's phone as he celebrated his triumph. His 3 -year-old son, Colby, had just gone to bed. The sacrifices only added to the importance of his victory.
"My little boy Colby had just gone to bed and just missed his bedtime," Barrett said. "I want to share this with them. Obviously, it's a long flight, but they're a really big part of the sacrifices we have to make for me to be here. Sometimes, it's worthwhile like this."

To get to the title match, Barrett ousted Houston's Shawn Maldonado, 279-201. He began the match with seven consecutive strikes before a 10 pin derailed his opportunity at perfection.

In Match No. 2, Maldonado advanced by defeating Sean Rash of Montgomery, Illinois, 212-187. Maldonado made a ball change to begin the match, which proved to be successful as Rash scattered three open frames. Rash was looking for his second career Tournament of Champions title and his third career major victory.

The opening match arguably was the day's best as Maldonado and PBA Hall of Famer Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, South Carolina, needed extra frames to decide a winner.

With the match coming down to the final frames, Mal donado missed a 10 pin in the ninth frame to put Jones in a closeout position. Jones struck in the ninth and could've shut out Maldonado in the final frame.

Instead, Jones missed a 7 pin in the 10th frame, which allowed Maldonado the opportu-
nity to advance with a mark in his 10th frame. Unfortunately, $M$ aldonado left the 2-4-10 and only covered two pins to tie at 216.

In the roll-off, Jones went first and also left a 2-4-10 for a seven count. Needing just eight to advance, Maldonado left a 2-10 on his attempt to win and move on to face Rash.

Jones also was looking for his second career Tournament of Champions title.

All rounds of qualifying and match play leading up to Sunday's televised finals were broadcast live on FloBowling

The KIA PBA Tournament of Champions is the fifth event of the 2022 PBA Tour season, which began in late January with the PBA Players Championship.

2022 PBA TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS FINAL STANDINGS

Dom Barrett, Great Bentley, England, 489 (two games), \$100,000.

Kristopher Prather, Plainfield, III., 189 (one game), \$55,000

Shawn Maldonado, Houston, 629 (three games), \$30,000.

Sean Rash, Montgomery, III.,
187 (one game), \$20,000.
Tommy Jones, Simpsonville, S.C., 216 (one game), \$15,000.

STEPLADDER RESULTS
Match No. 1 - Maldonado def. Jones, 216-216 (Roll-off: 8-7)

Match No. 2 - M aldonado def. Rash, 212-187

Semifinal - Barrett def. Maldonado, 279-201

Championship - Barrett def. Prather, 210-189

## At Tenpins \& More

## Friedrich finds 750, Chaves rolls 732

Hadley, Mlynarczyk 300's, Topping 298, Rico 297

RIO RANCHO, NM - Kenneth Friedrich topped the charts at Tenpins \& M ore last month with a booming 223-261-266 $=750$ league session.

Sandra Chavez led the Iadies with an impressive 229-259-244 $=732$ set.

Gary Hadley and Matt Mlynarczyk shared high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers. Phil Topping took runner-up accolades with a nearperfect 298 solo while Lorenzo Rico followed with a nice 297 game.

## HONOR ROLL

J oseph Paterson (2 games) 225-443, Johnna Mora (4 games) 196-368, Josh Burnett 257-714 Troi Donnachaidh 192-574, Mike Lee 244-711, Diane Wemple 213-588, Tyler Dassie 252-660.

Carla Bond 151-425, Mark Innes 257-715, Robin Prioleau 256-659, Steven Griego 242-640, Vanessa Griego 198462, Colleen Kelsey 212-604, Eric Lopez 265-738, Troi Donnachaidh 198-574.

Perry Hampel 256-708, Aileen Linares 256-656, Jeremey King 268-674, Jamie Stacey 189-532, Joey Ramirez 237-611, Tiana Mendoza 137-380, Ashley Abbott 179-511, Roan Carrillo 289-724.

Carl Chavez (4 games) 269-995, Dana Miller-M ackie (4 games) 259-961, Matt Smith 264-711, Karen Barcal 231-633, Joe Romero 242-689, Kristen Dillman 231-642, Michael DeVore (4 games) 254-889.

## SENIORS

Joe Roybal 242-662, Wendy Pase 235-569, Jeff Jones 268-704, Dana Miller-Mackie 259-711.

At Hilltop Lanes

## Adams

wheels in
300/805
Croghran 300
WAXAHACHIE, TX - Daniel Adams won the high-set contest last month at Hilltop Lanes by posting aw ard-w inning 300-246$259=805$ marks in Thursday Morning Sunshine Mixed league action.

Steve Croghran shared highgame honors with Adams with an award-winning 12-bagger.

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## tenpins \& more SPRI NG BOWLI NG CALENDAR <br> MARCH

Sat 5 NMHS Alumni Doubles at 1 pm
Sun 6 NMHS Alumni Singles at 9 am
Sat 12 NM Special Olympics State
Championships at 8 am
18-20 Scratch Series Qualifying \& Finals
Sun 27 Color Pin Cash at 9:30 am
Thurs 31-April 3 Winter 9-pin No-Tap Finals

## COMING SUNDAY APRIL 10

 2022 TEEN MASTERSQualifying Event for Girls \& Boys Open to all youth from any state, age 19 \& Under as of 8/5/ 22


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