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Date: February 23, 2014

Times: Squad 1 - 12:00 noon

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Ft. Meade, MD 20755

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Re-entry: \$90 per team (\$45 per person) – cash once only with same partner

Optional Side Events:

\$6 Singles (men's and women's divisions)

Open to all adult USBC members

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Doubles entry (per bowler): \$8.25 lineage, \$32.75 prize fund, \$4 expense fee, pay 1:6 Optional Singles entry: \$5 prize fund, \$1 expense fee, pay 1:8

Prize fund returned 100%

Entries close 2:00 pm on February 23, 2014 or until lanes are full.

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Is there a Women's Championship Tournament this year?

The answer is ... most definitely YES!

Have you been looking for the "NCAUSBCA Women's Championship Tournament" entry forms? You are not alone! As noted last issue, the dates have changed for the 2014



Susan Ryan

tournament to June 20-22 and 27-29. Parkland Bowl in Forestville, Maryland will host this event for the NCAUSBCA. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday squads will be available for two weekends. Every event will be held on each day. There will be some additional side events as well as optional scratch and senior divisions.

The association has entrusted me with managing the tournament this year. I look forward to the new "time of year" and to working hard to make it an outstanding and fun-filled experience for bowlers of all skill levels.

Be on the lookout for applications—coming soon!

Susan Ryan Tournament Manager 2014WCT@gmail.com

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ON THE COVER: Three individuals this year were recipients of the association's Ted Gruszkowski Jr. Youth Star Award for bowling achievement and/or service to youth bowling. (Photo by Bob Cosgrove)

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IBMA SELECTS SANDELIN, WEBER AS TOP SENIORS

International Bowling Media Association (IBMA) President Joan Romeo announced Lucy Sandelin, Tampa, Fla., and Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo., have been elected Senior Bowlers of the Year for 2013 by a vote of members of the bowling media group. ... Sandelin garnered 210 points in a 5-3-1 voting system in which she received 36 firstplace votes. She won the USBC Senior Queens tournament and was runner-up in the BPAA Senior Women's U.S. Open. She also earned a gold medal in the WTBA Senior Open as well as a silver and two bronze. Sandelin competed in a PBA50 event earlier in the year in Florida where she finished in the top 16 of the senior men's event after qualifying for match play in third place. She was also Senior Bowler of the Year in 2008. ... Meanwhile, Weber won Male Senior Bowler of the Year honors by the slimmest margin ever with a one-point victory (175-174) over Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., who was the 2012 Senior Bowler of the Year. ... Weber was the winner of the USBC Senior Masters as well as one other PBA50 Tour event, an outstanding record for only participating in six of the 11 PBA50 events. He ranked first in average, second in earnings, and sixth in points on the PBA50 Tour, but he also had a stellar year on the regular PBA Tour, winning the Barbasol Tournament of Champions and finishing third in the PBA World Championship as well as the BPAA U.S. Open, the Lucas Oil event, and the Cheetah event. At the age of 51, he posted the fourth highest average on the regular PBA Tour.

MEMBERSHIP DEPT.

Jacob J. Mishou of St Leonard, Md., recently was indefinitely suspended from membership in USBC and is not to hold office or bowl in any USBC leagues or tournaments.

In the recent Youth Doubles Tournament at Bowl America Bull Run, (from left) runners-up Nathan Proulx & Vanessa Medina appear with champions Dewitt Butler & Tyriq Butler. The complete prize list appears in the Tournament Roundup.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE • GENE O. MAYS



Knowing your league rules will solve many problems

Greetings from your president.

Congratulations to the bowlers of the NCAUSBCA on a very good start to the first half of the 2013-2014 season. I trust the second half will be just as productive.

The association office has processed all league applications that have arrived thus far this season. If you don't see your name and current league(s) on the *BOWL.com* site, please contact your league secretary.

The information that you took back to your leagues from the organizational meeting shows that things are going pretty well. As you are aware, league rules made at the start of the bowling season cannot be changed without prior approval of the board of directors. Please refer to your league rules often, as they will solve a lot of problems that may arise.

The league presidents should have verified all league funds and received the monthly statement from the bank. Also, the audit committee should have completed the required audit according to league rules.

As we embark on the last half of the bowling season, the office staff will be ready to assist you in any way possible. You are encouraged to attend the Annual Meeting on March 16 at Bowl America Gaithersburg to meet with fellow bowlers, see your board members in action, and express your views on any issues of concern.

In closing, I look forward to your support of our upcoming local tournaments. If we can get just one team from each league to enter, it will make for some great events.

eMail Gene Mays

Gruszkowski Youth Star Award nominations open to all

The association's Ted Gruszkowski Jr. Youth Star Award, the 2014 recipients of which appear in this issue, is designed to recognize current youth members of NCAUSBCA for bowling achievement and/or service to youth bowling.

Nominations may be submitted by any individual in either the Meritorious Service or Bowling Achievement categories, and they must contain the full name of the nominee, a one-page biography, and the reason(s) and category for nomination.

All nominations for the 2015 award, which must be postmarked by December 31, 2014, should be mailed to: Youth Star Award, c/o Tom Dale, 10 Hulvey Drive, Stafford VA 22556-3816.

Go Figure

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Age of youngest USBC member (Hannah Diem of Seminole, Fla.) to roll a certified 300 game on November 17, 2013.

5

Inductees for USBC Hall of Fame's "Class of 2014" (Steve Cook, John Gaines, Doug Kent, Dale Traber, Woody Woodruff).

38

Maximum number of individuals permitted on the NCA-USBCA board of directors.

\$8

Cost of USBC Roll 'N Grow membership (\$7 national, \$1 processing fee) that's available to all youth ages 7 and younger.

2

Three-day weekends scheduled for the NCAUSBCA 69th Annual Women's Championship Tournament in June 2014.

235.0349

Highest NCAUSBCA composite average by Chris Johnson in 2011-2012.

2,468

Nine-game PBA Tour record total by Eugene McCune in Las Vegas in 2010.

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MANAGER'S MEMO • RONALD McGregor

Please deal with weather makeups fairly

The league season is about twothirds complete for most leagues, so I thought I would mention two issues that should help with the smooth running of your league, now and in the future:

> At this time of year, bad weather often comes into play, so be careful about changing league schedules, as they are a part of the league rules. Safety is key, so please deal with requests for makeups fairly.

> For league presidents, it's not too early to speak with center management about the league contract for next season.



The 2014 tournament season is here, so please visit our Web site's Upcoming Events page for more information.

51st Annual Youth Championship Tournament: February 22-23 and March 1-2 at AMF Annandale.

Mixed Scratch Doubles Tournament: February 23 at The Lanes Fort Meade.

69th Annual Open Championship Tournament: This event will be held on three weekends, March 29-30 through April 12-13. It should be noted the 2014 Open Championship Tournament has made some format changes in response to bowler suggestions, so hopefully these changes bring in more participants. There will be several bracket opportunities for those wishing to compete for additional dollars. The team event, which will be held at The Lanes Fort Meade, will be fours instead of fives. Bowl America Shirley will host the singles & doubles.

69th Annual Women's Championship Tournament: This event will be held on two three-day weekends, June 20-22 and 27-29 at Parkland.



NCAUSBCA's 8th Annual Membership Meeting will be held again this year at Bowl America Gaithersburg on Sunday, March 16. This is your opportunity to speak directly with the folks entrusted with stewardship of the organization and to also give them voice to make your wishes clear to the folks at Bowling Headquarters at the USBC Convention scheduled for April 22-25 in Reno, Nevada.

Special achievement awards will no longer be provided by HQ, but this does not affect Sport awards or honor score awards (300, 800). Your local association is trying to decide what kind of awards to offer its members and how to pay for them; come out to the meeting and let your association leaders hear your views on the matter.



Letters have been sent to all league secretaries regarding bowlers who are not certified this season. Please do not ignore this issue, as it may lead to much heartache if you have ineligible bowlers in your league.

eMail Ronald McGregor

THE QUESTION:

What's best about being a youth bowling coach?

Seeing the kids' eyes light up when they get a strike or do something really good.



Germantown, Md.

It's just the development of the kids and having them enjoy bowling as a sport than a mere activity.



Arlen Holmes Beltsville, Md.

The satisfaction of watching the kids bowl and be happy about it.



Doug Johnson Ashburn, Va.

You get to give back what others have given to you over the years.



Bryan Mehio Manassas, Va.

Seeing the kids improve and making the small adjustments that make the huge difference.



Brian Sullivan Gaithersburg, Md.

NOTICE OF NCAUSBCA ANNUAL MEETING

The Nation's Capital Area USBC Association will hold its Annual Meeting to discuss association business, including proposals to change association bylaws, elect officers and directors who will lead the association, and elect delegates to the 2015 USBC Convention as well as the Virginia State Bowling Association Annual Meeting.

Meeting Location: Bowl America Gaithersburg (phone: 301/330-5200)

1101 Clopper Road

Gaithersburg, MD 20878

Meeting Date: Sunday, March 16, 2014

Lunch:Noon to 1 p.m.Meeting Time:1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.Meeting Registration:Begins at 11:30 a.m.

This meeting is open to all members of the Nation's Capital Area USBC Association. You must present your local association (NCAUSBCA) membership card to be admitted to the meeting. Only those ages 14 or older may vote.

A Youth Representation Meeting will be held from 11 a.m. to noon (registration begins at 10:30 a.m.), and all Youth leagues are entitled to send one league official and one Youth bowler to this meeting. Also, Youth Representatives will elect directors for the NCAUSBCA Board of Directors.

Directions to Bowl America Gaithersburg:

From the Capital Beltway (I-495), merge onto Route I-270 North (towards Frederick) for approximately 10 miles. Then merge onto I-270 "Local" North via Exits 10-11 toward MD-117 West/Clopper Road for .3 mile. Take Exit 10 (MD-117 West) for .2 mile and stay in right lane while approaching traffic light. Turn *right* onto MD-117 West (West Diamond Avenue, which turns into Clopper Road) and continue for approximately 1.5 miles. The bowling center will be on the right.



Blair, Dean, Simpson honored with Gruszkowski Youth Star Award

Prior to the start of opening round of the NCAUSBCA 45th Annual Youth Invitational Scratch Singles Tournament at AMF Annandale on January 18, three individuals—Gene Blair, Nicholas Dean, and Michael Simpson—were introduced as the 2014 recipients of the prestigious NCAUSBCA Ted Gruszkowski Jr. Youth Star Award, which is named in honor of the late association Hall of Fame member who was a strong supporter of area youth bowling.

The award winners, honored for their bowling achievement and/or service to youth bowling, each were presented with a plaque and \$200 in scholarship funds, which will be administered through the USBC SMART program. In addition, their names will appear on the plaque that contains the names of the 10 previous award recipients.



Gene Blair

GENE BLAIR, 16 Waldorf, Maryland

Gene Blair started bowling at the age of four. He has won five of the last seven team championships, coming in second in the other two, in his Saturday morning youth league and has won various individual awards. He has competed in the City Tournament every year since he was eight, and has won several team championships, doubles titles, and placed high in singles. He competes in the Vern Burke tournaments, the 600 Club events, and has participated in the Invitational the last few years. He has also competed in the Pepsi Tournament, the Virginia State Tournament, the Commonwealth Games, and the Pennsylvania Junior Bowlers Tour. He bowls in the local Youth Travel League, two years running, and has participated in many Junior Gold Qualifiers.

Gene is a very accomplished athlete who has played football, soccer, and basketball since age seven and has won multiple championships and individual awards in each sport. He currently plays for his High School JV team and starts at linebacker and kicker/punter. He has won several games on field goals and extra points, and as a seventh grader was the championship game MVP. Gene's teams have never had a losing record, and he is a big reason for that.

Gene also has a very good school record. He has been on the honor roll every grading period since he was eligible in the fourth grade. He currently carries a 3.34 GPA, is in a college prep program, and takes honors courses. He has been a member of the school choir since he was in third grade and performs in multiple concerts throughout the year.

Gene also volunteers at the Charles County Teen Court and helps mentor troubled teens. He is required to ask tough questions of the teens and to assign punishments based on their offense, including community service, essays, apology letters, etc. This helps him see both sides of possible problems, which in turn helps him make good decisions based on experiences he is having. Gene has also volunteered at Food for Families during the holiday season, helping with food donations for Thanksgiving baskets for the needy.

During the summer and some weekends during the school year, Gene also works at the family tire business. He has been a part of this since he was born.

TED GRUSZKOWSKI JR.

Ted Gruszkowski Jr., the man whose name is affiliated with NCAUSBCA's Youth Star Award, died more than five years ago, and nearly all of today's youth bowlers and many adults have no idea who he was. In an attempt to provide at least one view of the man, a column written by editor Bob Cosgrove that appeared in the September/October 2008 edition of this publication is reprinted below.

I can't believe Ted is gone.

I've said and thought those words many times since learning of the death of NCAUSBCA Director and Hall of Famer Theodore "Ted" Gruszkowski Jr. on July 27 at age 71.

The longtime bowling columnist for the *Potomac News*, Ted was a friend and fellow member of the Bowling Writers Association of America and the Southern Bowling Writers Association who deeply cared about bowling and especially NCAUSBCA and its members, for whom he served as a director for nearly 20 years.

It was in the Summer 1990 issue of *BOWL Magazine* that "Shop Talk" columnist Jerry Francomano in his third annual "wish list" wanted to see more league presidents like "Crazy Ted," who set up all kinds of activities in his league, including charity food drives to help those less fortunate in the Dale City/Woodbridge area, to maintain the interest of his bowlers. I had no idea who this "Crazy Ted" was, but he certainly piqued my interest, and it wasn't too much later that I first met Ted when he

joined the association's board of directors.

Ted truly wanted to serve the bowlers in this area, and he always did so as a tireless worker. He worked nearly all the associationsponsored tournaments, normally with ways and means, always making that extra effort to sell ad-



Ted Gruszkowski Jr.

ditional bowling ball raffle tickets or an extra shirt or cap.

He always generated among the highest totals in annual BVL contributions among his fellow officers and directors, and Ted made numerous behind-the-scenes financial contributions to youth bowling programs and bowling-related activities, including the NCAUSBCA Hall of Fame.

Ted's gung-ho and cut-no-corners way of achieving things was not always appreciated by some folks in the bowling industry, but upon reflecting, it appeared that those who viewed Ted always as an irritant were people whose most active days in bowling had passed. And Ted always bristled when he saw his fellow redcoats and area

bowling personnel shirking their responsibilities and not giving their all for the bowlers.

Now that's not to say Ted wasn't an occasional irritant, even to his friends. I'll admit that there were times when I thought he earned that "Crazy Ted" nickname because he actually could drive you crazy!

Ted, whose life in the military dealt with details, would so often be just too ... detailed. For example, he often would mention in a phone call some information about which I would express interest, and he then would offer to fax the information to me and ask how he should address the cover page. No matter how many times I would say, "Just put 'Bob' on it," the fax would arrive minutes later with every single line of the cover page completed—my phone number, his phone number, his fax number, notes on each page of the fax, our full titles....

And then there were the phone calls. I often tried to tell Ted that he didn't always have to call unless there was major news, such as the death of an association official or Hall of Famer or something along those lines. But with Ted, news was news, and he always seemed to have a problem with his eMail, so not only were there the latenight calls, which as a night owl I normally didn't mind, but there were also those 7 a.m. calls—one of which, I distinctly remember, arrived with the breaking news that AMF Dale City had a new assistant manager.

"Just wanting to keep my 'partner in crime' informed," he would always say—words that would for-

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He has learned to change tires, load and unload shipments, inventory control, and how to speak with customers in person and on the phone. He is a hard worker and is learning to be a leader.

Gene Blair is an outstanding young man. He has many friends and is well liked by everyone. He is the type of person who is missed when he is not at events or social gatherings. He works hard at everything he does, trying to better himself all the time. He has good leadership skills and is a very compassionate young man. He is also very competitive, which makes him very driven to succeed.

NICHOLAS DEAN, 19 Alexandria, Virginia

Nicholas Dean currently attends Northern Virginia Community College, pursuing a career in criminal



Nicholas Dean

justice, which he studied as a junior and senior in high school. He has been on ride-alongs with the Fairfax County Police, learning their daily routines and how they respond to calls. He also volunteers at the soup kitchen and has helped with environmental projects in the community, such as cleaning the river front and marking storm drains.

His hobbies are bowling, baseball, snowboarding, and school. He works part-time at Bowl America Shirley, where he oils the lanes and works as a pin chaser while also working to perfect his bowling game with the help of NCAUSBCA Hall of Famer Willie Jelks.

Nick's greatest passions are bowling and baseball, and when the two sports collide, bowling almost always comes first. He started bowling at age 3, and having learned from his older brother and cousins, he was a natural. He has worked at perfecting his bowling skills ever since, being a sponge for any and all advice that comes his way.

As his youth league downsized at Bowl America Shirley, he took on the challenges and responsibilities of being a mentor. By staying in a small youth league instead of looking for a more competitive one, he was able to help the newer and younger bowlers-an extremely admirable quality that only a few people have. Nick consistently gives advice to bowlers of all ages, passing on his learned skills. He is extremely intelligent but always willing to listen to a coach with a different idea. He's always polite and eager to help in any way he can to better the youth program.

Nick's high scores are 299, 290, 289, 280, and 279, just to name a few. In the last five years, he has bowled about two dozen 700 series, including a 748. His average at age 7 was 94 and improved to 150 by age 10 and to 207 by age 15.

His current average is 218 but has been as high as 225. He has bowled on challenging shots in his youth

Past NCAUSBCA Ted Gruszkowski Jr. Youth Star Award recipients

2008 - Eric Helmrich, Adam Mitchell, **Allen Windsor**

2009 - Alonso "A.J." Kinney Jr.

2010 — Malcolm James

2011 — Jason Eman, Brandon Lowe, **Kayla Meadows**

2012 — Zahir Holmes

2013 - Conner Kolessides

league, not always the easy house shots. He practices on harder sports/challenge patterns to better himself. He's not always looking to have the highest average, just looking to improve his ability to compete.

He is extremely humble and has a great attitude with coaches and peers alike and is always respectful of fellow bowlers. He has a laid-back attitude and lets his bowling do his talking. Even when he doesn't bowl as well as he would like, he maintains a positive attitude, consistently laying the ball on the lane smoothly as though it is his first ball of the game.

His passion for the sport leads him to constantly participate in tournaments, winning several along the way. He has bowled in tournaments since his first City Tournament when he was seven. Since then, he has bowled in pro-am tournaments, state tournaments, Pepsi-Cola tournaments, David Dahm's Memorial tournaments, the Virginia State High School Tournament, the USBC Youth Open Tournament, no-tap tournaments, and numerous 600 Club, Vern Burke, Invitational, and Junior Gold events.

His most notable tournament was the NCAUSBCA 2013 Youth Invitational Scratch Singles, where he stayed within the top four bowlers after every round and finished second, averaging 211.

Nick has bowled in the Junior Gold National Tournaments in Indianapolis, Las Vegas, and Detroit. In the 2011 Survivor Tournament in Las Vegas, he finished 28th, averaging 232 and qualifying for the 2012 tournament in Indianapolis.

Nicholas Dean's natural skills at being a mentor and leader will help him throughout his career. His passion for bowling is lifelong. There is no doubt he will take his love of the sport to bring others into it as he moves forward into his adult life.

MICHAEL SIMPSON, 19 Woodbridge, Virginia

Bowling runs deep in the veins of Michael Simpson, as both his mother, who successfully battled breast cancer, and his father are fairly well-known throughout the bowling community in this area.

From numerous Junior Gold Qualifiers to Mid-Atlantic Youth Bowling Extravaganza (MAYBE) scholarship events, to one of the greatest performances this area has seen at the NCAUSBCA 2013 Youth Invitational Scratch Singles Tournament, Michael always finds a way to captivate us all with his ability on the lanes. His first certified 300 game in the Woodbridge Area High School League came only weeks after he claimed his first Virginia High School State title in Midlothian.

In total, he has rolled a dozen perfect games, half of which are certified.

Last season, he was a member of the first-ever, self-proclaimed "NCAUSBCA Jr. Dream Team," which took top honors in the Scratch All Events category of the NCAUSBCA Youth Championship Tournament, with Michael's 2,020 nine-game total (224.44 average) leading the way.

Earlier this season, he went on a tear, winning three events, including the Vern Burke Scholarship Tournament at Bowl America Manassas, where he rolled his first 800 series, an 801, and where he also won a Junior Gold Qualifier by more than 190 pins.

Michael Simpson inspires many of his competitors and encourages them to give it their all with each and every shot. He is a most worthy recipient of this award.



Michael Simpson

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Mini-Bio

BRIANA WILLIAMS



BIRTHDAY: July 28, 1998

CITY OF RESIDENCE: Lorton, Virginia

EDUCATION: Sophomore at South County High

School

CURRENT BOWLING LEAGUES: Saturday Youth at Bowl America Woodbridge and the Travel League

WORST OR MOST EMBARRASSING BOWLING MOMENT: My bowling ball has stuck on my thumb a few times, and I ended up lofting it down the lane.

IMPORTANCE OF BOWLING IN MY LIFE (10 = most / 1 = least): 9

BOWLING ACCOMPLISHMENTS: I've placed high in several Nelson Perry tournaments, rolled the high series in the Virginia High School Tournament, and qualified for Junior Gold (held last year in Detroit and this summer in Buffalo, N.Y.).

INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF BOWLING: I used to be a cheerleader at school.

I'M PASSIONATE ABOUT: Bowling and music

MUSIC I'M INTO: Hip Hop Rap and RMB

I'M PICKY WHEN IT COMES TO: Mushy food, such as mushrooms and avocados

FAVORITE MEAL: Chicken parmesan

FAVORITE BEVERAGE: Raspberry lemonade

FAVORITE TV SHOW: "Bad Girls Club"

FAVORITE MOVIE: Temptation

FAVORITE PLACE I'VE VISITED: St. Thomas

MY MOST OVERUSED PHRASE: "What are you

talking about?"

PRODUCT FOR WHICH I'D LIKE TO BE SPOKESPERSON: Apple—I have an iPod, iPhone, and iPod

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION I CAN NEVER KEEP: Stop procrastinating on schoolwork

TASK I HATE TO DO: Clean my room

PLACE WHERE I WOULD LIKE TO LIVE: Hawaii

SUBJECT ABOUT WHICH I'D LIKE TO KNOW

MORE: Safaris

PUBLIC FIGURE I MOST ADMIRE: Trey Songz, an American singer-songwriter, record producer, rapper, and actor

QUALITY I MOST ADMIRE IN MY FRIENDS: Humor and trustworthiness

TWO FAMOUS PEOPLE I'D INVITE TO MY HOME FOR DINNER: Beyonce, Channing Tatum

NUMBER ONE PET PEEVE: People who bump into me and don't say they're sorry

ONE WORD THAT BEST DESCRIBES ME: Stubborn

MY HEROES IN LIFE: My mother

FUTURE PLANS: Attend college, explore the world, get married, and have kids

Briana Williams, who currently is competing on the lanes while recovering from an injury, participated in two rounds of this year's NCAUSBCA Youth Invitational Scratch Singles Tournament.

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. My wife got me a bowling ball gift certificate for Christmas. What should I get? I average 192, my ball speed is medium, and I like to play around the second arrow. What is new in the marketplace?

A. I am a Roto Grip staff member, so I have to let you know about the new Roto Grip balls that were released on January 6. They are:

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Q. I bowl in league with a fellow who takes an eternity to start his approach. I asked him what he is doing to take that amount of time, and his answer is, I am going through my checklist. Is there anything I could say to this person to maybe get him to speed up?

A. Print out this answer and take it to him: The checklist should be done before you get on the approach. The longer you stand there with the ball in hand, the more time you have to "over-think" the shot. The muscles get tighter, and vou allow the conscious mind to take over your shot.

When you bowl the best, your approach will be relaxed and automatic. The subconscious mind should be doing all the work. Muscle memory gained through practice is the key to a better game.

Do your thinking in the settee area. When you get on the approach, look at your mark and go. You will bowl better and so will your teammates.

Q. I have been leaving quite a few 7-10 splits on good shots in the pocket lately, and I don't understand what is happening. Can you explain this to me?

A. Just because the ball is in the pocket, it does not mean it is a good shot. I look at the "pocket 7-10" as a bad shot—the ball hit weak or from too far out. Most of the pocket 7-10s are caused by missing your mark outside, and in the process of trying to recover, the ball loses energy, and this causes a weak hit.

In the days before reactive balls, this shot would result in a 5-7 or 5-10 split (for left-handers). Today's bowling balls are so powerful that they almost always take out the 5-pin; then you are left with a weak 7, weak 10, or the dreaded 7-10. When this happens, try moving your feet one board to the right (the opposite for lefties).

Many times, the ball going too long is caused by not being lined up correctly. A small move should get you back on track.

eMail Bob Korth

Check Your Knowledge

- 1. To earn USBC National High Average recognition, an individual must bowl how many games in a league-57, 66, or 72?
- 2. The NCAUSBCA Women's Championship Tournament will be conducted in which month this season?
- 3. Which center has more lanes—Bowl America Manassas or Bowl America Gaithersburg?
- 4. True or False: Isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol is a USBC-approved cleaning agent for bowling balls.
- 5. True or False: Prize money earned in a non-certified event should never be reported at a USBC-certified tournament.
- 6. She was NCAUSBCA's No. 1-ranked woman bowler for the 2012-2013 season.
- 7. In a USBC-certified singles tournament, how many entries constitute a squad?
- 8. Can league rules prevent a substitute from bowling during a position round?
- 9. Who is NCAUSBCA's current second vice president?
- 10. When and where will this season's NCAUSBCA Annual Meeting be held?

10, March 16 at Bowl America Gaithersburg. 2, False; 6, Marina Akers-Epps; 7, Two; 8, Yes; 9, Larry Gonzales; ANSWERS: 1, 66; 2, June; 3, Bowl America Gaitherburg; 4, True;

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Our Back Pages

5 Years Ago

- > The Waldorf, Md., duo of Bobby Middleton Jr. (697 series) and Dougie Tonucci (668) combine for a 1,365 series to win the NCAUSBCA Youth 600 Club Fall Doubles Tournament at Bowl America Bull Run.
- > Steve Burrell picks up a valuable tip from a pro at a U.S. Open event in Connecticut.

10 Years Ago

- Mark R. Glover (222.808 composite average) and Tiffany A. Franklin-Bell (216.2837) are the respective No. 1-ranked male and female area bowlers for the 2002-2003 season.
- > "Bowling 101" columnist Harlin Matkins suggests that bowlers "reach out and shake hands with your target."

15 Years Ago

- > Aaron Bundick, 15, bowls a 702 series to win the Vir-Mar District 600 Club Fall Singles Tournament at Bowl America Falls Church.
- > "Stars & Strikes" columnist Jim Goodwin states strong leaders are needed "who are not afraid to make bold decisions to fix this flawed sport...."

20 Years Ago

- > Stanley Alford carries the top average of 192 in the 55-Plus Seniors Trio League at Fair Lanes University.
- ➤ In his "The Guru Reviews" column, Gary Parsons writes that *Par Bowling* is "a tome that requires slow, careful study."

25 Years Ago

- > Jim Lewis and Kelly Francis-Fox respectively win the Men's and Women's divisions at the Metropolitan Washington Bowling Proprietors' Association Award Score Tournament.
- > Surface is the single most important factor in bowling today, notes "Shop Talk" columnist Jerry Francomano.

30 Years Ago

- > Jim Wolfe tops the association 1982-1983 men's rankings with a 207.36 average for 291 games.
- ➤ In his "In the Pocket" column, Chuck Gannon suggests the rankings should be based on only the *highest* average in each center so that a bowler could not "load up" in several leagues at a high-scoring center.

35 Years Ago

- > The "Good Times" foursome of James Starks, Betty Williams, Dorothy Spriggs, and William Penn wins the 11th Annual *BOWL Magazine* Tournament.
- ➤ An audience of over 300 people at the Hospitality House in Arlington, Va., see Robert Disbennett and James "Sonny" Steward inducted into the NCABA Hall of Fame.

40 Years Ago

- > Frank Dunham, C. Edward Goldberg, Joe Miseli, and the late Albert Snyder are inducted into the NCABA Hall of Fame.
- > Peggy Midkiff and Conni Foscato score 1,087 to win the WDCA Women's 600 Club 2nd Annual Holiday Doubles at Annandale Bowling Center.

45 Years Ago

> A 300 game by Robert Green (at Bowl America Town Center) leads the Association Awards listing, ahead of 299s by Robert Douglass Jr., Ed Marshall, and Jimmy Taylor.

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YOUTH/ADULT FELLOWSHIP SPORTS DAY SCHEDULE

ASSOCIATION HONOR SCORES

800 Series

869 Sutphin, Kyle J - LC012

859 Marsico, Michael S - LC014

847 Williams, Fero K - MH027

845 Foltz, Alan W - BR018

844 Darden, Ira J Jr - MH026

837 Painter, Roger M II - WB017

836 Keller, Joshua J - SL001

835 Butler, Kenneth A - WB003

830 Sloan, Robert C - MH013

829 Peterson, Sean R - WB004

826 Marsico, Michael S - LC009 Martin, Andrew A - CY003

825 Hile, Andrew M - SL002

824 Mellinger, David S - LC012

822 Bernstein, Raymond S III - CY003

821 Crawford, Kirby R - CR014 Hood, Christopher G - LC012

818 Cunningham, William F III - MA013

817 Bean, William F III - WB009 Palmer, Blake A - LC009

815 Powers, Keith B - BR007

814 Gilmore, Daniel M - WB002

Godfrey, Michael C - CY003 Grant, Derrick L - BA004 Windsor, Steven T - LC009

813 Frazier, Gregory A - CR003

812 Rowe, Robert R - BR003

811 Hood, Brian M - WB009 Lucey, Richard Jr - GB007 Rausch, Marty L - SL019

810 Carter, Wilbert C Jr - CR006

809 Hood, Brian M - WB009

806 Pease, Brandon D - LC012

805 Bates, Gary R Sr - WA005 Davidson, Timothy L - BR007 Gardner, Michael S - BU005 Jones, Rory T - LC014 Williams, Robert F - BR013 Zampedro, Jon E - SL001

804 Evans, Donald R - SL ** Friendly, Oscar S - SL011 Gutridge, Johnny C Jr - WB006 Johnson, Chris M - SL011

803 Blaney, William H III - WA017 McLane, Thomas A - WA003

802 Dyson, Eric S - ES001 Gutridge, Johnny C Jr - WB017 Morris, Daniel C - PK010 Williams, Fero K - CA010

300 Game

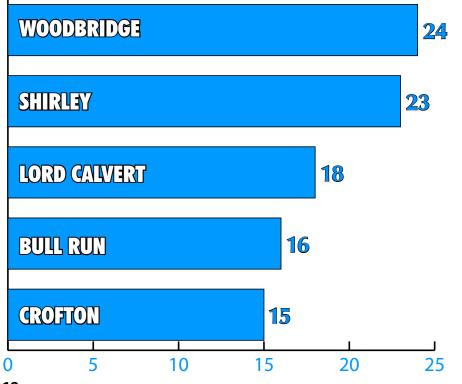
801 Lowe, Kenneth E Jr - SL011

800 Neuner, James A - GB005

Alexander, Francis R - SL003 Anderson, Lionel K - CA005 Bates, Gary R Sr - WA005 Benson, John E - CR014 Bevenour, Shawn F - WB017 Breeden, Garry L - MA013 Brenemen, Eric S - SL011 Brewer, Brian P - WB017 (2) Brooks, Tyrell J - CA005 Campbell, Andrew T - PK * Campbell, Roger L Jr - CA010 Carpenter, Scott M - CR014 Carter, Chuck C - CR014 Carter, Julian R - BR007 Chetti, Leonard R - SL002 Clarke, Phillip C III - MA005 Clem, Gregory A - CR004 Cook, Perry D - CR011 Crookston, Jeremy D - WB004 / WB009 Cunningham, William F III - BR018 Dacanay, Patrick I - MH026 Dadisman, Patrick Sr - GB011 Denick, David A - FC003 Dingus, Tim L - WB019 Eisemann, William J Jr - BR002 Faust, Harry D III - CY004 Fusco, Charles A - CR007 Gathof, Douglas A - WB017 Gutridge, Johnny C Jr - WB006 Hagan, David M Jr - GB023 Hamilton, Brandy F - CR002 Harmon, Kyle J - WA006 Helmrich, Eric D - CR014 Higbee, Kevin M - LB007 Hipp, Ernest A Jr - MH019 Holt, Ronald A - PK005 Hood, Brian M - WB009 (2) Hood, Christopher G - LC012 Horton, Thomas J - FC002 Hughes, LeCount M Jr - CA005 Hunt, Micheal L - PK011 Imbembo, Christopher S - CY003

HONOR SCORE CENTERS

(this issue, based on listed scores)



See AWARDS, page 20

Ishmael, Bobby Jr - CR010 Jones, Rodney J Sr - WA018

Keller, Joshua J - SL001 LaBalbo, Joseph T - WB009

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Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY

- 8 Junior Gold Tournament at Bowl America Bull Run.
- 9 NCAUSBCA 7th Annual Youth/ Adult Fellowship Sports Day at AMF Capital Plaza.
- 9 NCAUSBCA 600 Club Spring Singles Tournament at AMF Marlow Heights.
- 16 NCAUSBCA Board of Directors Meeting at association office.
- 16 Junior Gold Tournament at Sparetimes, Hampton, Va.
- 22-23, March 1-2 NCAUSBCA 51st Annual Youth Championship Tournament at AMF Annandale.
- 23 NCAUSBCA Mixed Scratch **Doubles Tournament at The Lanes** Fort Meade.

MARCH

- 8 Junior Gold Tournament at Wayne Lanes, Waynesboro, Va.
- 15 Submission deadline for graduating seniors for Blake Harrison Memorial Star of Tomorrow Scholarship.
- 16 NCAUSBCA 8th Annual Membership Meeting and Youth Representation Meeting at Bowl America Gaithersburg.
- 23 NCAUSBCA Youth 600 Club Tournament of Champions at Bowl America Shirley.
- 29-30, April 5-6, 12-13 -NCAUSBCA 69th Annual Open Championship Tournament at The Lanes Fort Meade and Bowl America Shirley.

AWARDS, from page 18

Larsen, David J - CR014 Leatherman, David J - BR003 Lopez, Geovel A - WB009 Lowe, Kenneth E Jr - SL001 Lucey, Richard Jr - GB007 Mann, Warren A - BR007 McLane, Thomas A - LC007 McNeil, Derek J - CA007 Medina, Hector M II - SL011 Mellinger, David S - LC012 Moore, Gary M - SL001 Mozingo, Alan E - LC012 Myers-Barnes, Debbie J - PK005 Napper, Mark A - SL002 Painter, Roger M II - WB017 Palmer, Blake A - LC009 Patterson, James A - MH002 Perry, John L - MA003 Peterson, Sean R - WB004 Powers, Keith B - BR018 Ramos, Carlos M - SL012 Rand, Thad A - BR003 Riggs, Keith F - FC011 Robinson, Thomas E - SL010 Rogers, Michael L - BR005 Rucker, Kenneth N - MH027 Salvio, Carlos R - SL003 Seminara, Anthony P - LC009 Shaw-Wesby, Crystal J - GB007 Shore, Daniel - GB011 Simms, Maynard L - LB004 Sims. Edward L Jr - FC016 Smith, Michelle D - SL010 Snyder, Dominick M - CR007 / CR014 Stortzum, Alan L - LC014 Stradford, Fernando - MH008

Sudberry, James D - MH019 Sutphin, Kyle J - LC012 Taylor, Adonas L - CA007 Tierney, Charles J - BR001 Timmons, Russell L - CA005 Turner, Dramon A - WA012 Venable, James E - BA002 Waters, William E - WA023 Weadon, Paul F - LB004 Wheeler, Anthony D - PK013 Wheeler, Mona D - SL012 Wilkerson, Donzell C - PK008 Williams, Charles S Jr - SL011 Williams, Fero K - MH027 (2) Williams, Robert F - BR014 Wilson, John A - WB001 Windsor, Wilbert A - SL011 Yarborough, David III - CA002 Zickefoose, Brandon - LC018

YOUTH

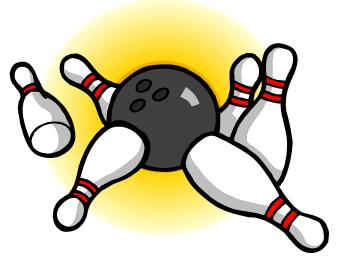
800 Series

801 Simpson, Michael A - BR ***

300 Game

DeFalco, Jarrett A - MA105 Kolessides, Conner R - MA105 Mahmot, Dustin H - GB102

- * = NCAUSBCA Senior Tournament ** = NCAUSBCA Mixed Tournament in Support of BVL
- *** = NCAUSBCA Vern Burke Scholarship Tournament



TED_G, from page 9

ever remind me that two of us in publicizing bowlers and bringing news to them was something that only a very few of us did in and about the Nation's Capital Area.

Ted always spoke highly of "our BOWL Magazine," and I believe he actually appreciated me and my efforts, always offering encouragement, always with a good word. You don't forget that—you just don't forget that. (And maybe that's why those early morning calls never drove me over the edge.)

In June, I was told he was very ill, and when he called shortly thereafter and said in a weak voice that he had just filed his first newspaper column in more than a month, I knew something was very wrong because getting that weekly column done was as normal as breathing for Ted. His spirit and good humor was still present, but I'll admit, I had my doubts for the first time about his ability to continue surviving, much less writing.

On the morning of July 28, as I waited for the light to change on Harry S Truman Drive in Largo, I briefly thought of Ted, wondering how he was doing-only to be told moments later by Association Manager Ray Brothers as I entered my office that he had departed us the day before.

Upon learning of Ted's death, Bowling Headquarters contacted me about obtaining additional biographical information and a photo, and I received several calls and eMails from colleagues across the country expressing their shock and sadness while saying how much they really liked and admired Ted, who, in his own unique way, certainly had touched a lot of people.

Well, partner, to borrow another one of your sayings, You done good, and I'm sure I'm not the only one thinking, I can't believe Ted is gone.

Tournament Roundup

Youth Doubles Tournament at Bowl America Bull Run — 1, Dewitt Butler & Tyriq Butler, \$500 (scholarship); 2, Nathan Proulx & Vanessa Medina, \$250; 3, Dikki Hipps & Kalia Moon, \$150; 4, Ben Martin & William Ward, \$100; 5, Nathan Oakley & Jarrett DeFalco, \$75; 6, Diamante Winters & James Norris III, \$75.

PBA Decker Appraisal Services Over 50/Under 50 Waynesboro Doubles, Waynesboro, Va. (Carl Breaman [senior], Greer, S.C., & Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C., \$3,400) — 8, Terry Wiley (sr.), Vienna, Va., & Richard Wolfe, Culpepper, Va., \$1,200.

NCAUSBCA Youth 600 Club Winter Doubles Tournament at Bowl America Fairfax — 1, Nathan Oakley, Purcellville, Va. (762 series) & Jarrett DeFalco, Leesburg, Va. (614), 1,376, \$150 (scholarship); 2, Owen Robinson, Fairfax, Va. (662) & Alec Howser, Herndon, Va. (598), 1,260, \$100; 3, Michael Simpson (666) & AJ Simpson (591), Woodbridge, Va., 1,257, \$70; 4, Robert Alston (646) & Katana Robinson (593), Bowie, Md., 1,237, \$50. ... Tournament of Champions qualifiers/180 and Above - 1, Conner Kolessides*, Great Falls, Va., 707; 2, Donald Bock, Jeffersonton, Va., 706; 3, Michael Simpson*, 666; 4, Alston, 646; 5, Samuel Anderson*, Woodbridge, 636; 6, (tie) Cayla Davidson, Manassas, Va., and Amara Speights, Woodbridge, 628. ... /Under 180 — 1, Oakley*, 762; 2, Robinson, 662; 3, Shawn McManus, Lorton, Va., 627; 4, Deborah Epps, Fort Washington, Md., 613 (* = previously qualified). ... High Games/180 Average and Above — Game 1: Bock, 236; Davidson, 233; Speights, 230. Game 2: Bock, 258; Darren Johnson, Ashburn, Va., 247. Game 3: Kolessides, 265; Michael Simpson, 257; Davidson, 236. ... / Under 180 - Game 1: Oakley, 259; Robert Cooper, Alexandria, Va., 252. Game 2: Oakley, 279; Owen Robinson, 251; Katana Robinson, 245. Game 3: Oakley, 224; Gene Blair, Waldorf, Md., 223.

NCAUSBCA Youth 600 Club Winter Singles Tournament at Bowl America Dranesville — 180 Average and Above — 1, Brandon Zickefoose, Prince Frederick, Md. (666), \$70 (scholarship); 2, Jarrett DeFalco (638), \$35. ... Under 180 Average - 1, Garrett Meadows, Springfield, Va. (578), \$70; 2, Nathan Oakley (554), \$35. ... Tournament of Champions qualifiers/180 and Above - 1, Zickefoose, 666; 2, DeFalco*, 638; 3, Richie Hercules, Vienna, Va., 619. ... /Under 180 — 1, Meadows, 578; 2, Oakley*, 554; 3, Robert Cooper, 532 (* = previously qualified). ... High Games/180 and Above — Game 1: Zickefoose, 250. Game 2: DeFalco, 257. Game 3: Robert Alston, 214; Hercules, 213. ... /Under 180 — Game 1: Oakley, 202. Game 2: Justin Deniston, Waldorf, Md., 214; Conrad Holbrook, Haymarket, Va., 211. Game 3: Cooper, 205; Meadows, 200.

Ted Gruszkowski Jr. served in the U.S. Army from January 1955 to March 1975 in Germany, Vietnam, and at Fort Belvoir. He earned various honors, including the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, three awards of the Army Commendation, and the Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm. Ted retired with the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 3.

The Case Book

If, on a three-person team, two members are absent and only one substitute is obtained, which absentee score is used?

According to USBC Rule 104a, Item 1, the team captain is responsible for the eligibility of the team and determines whom the substitute will replace. First, the captain determines whom the substitute will replace and then the absentee score is determined.

When a team has a limited roster, the process is easy. The captain selects the player the substitute replaces, and the absentee score of the other player is used.

Teams with additional players on the roster shall use the absentee score of the absent player with the (a) Most games bowled and (b) Lowest absentee score when the absentees have the same number of games bowled; (c) Next highest number of games bowled with two scores are needed.

STEINSIEK



Walt Steinsiek's "Cartoon of the Week" is featured here.

Pezzano Scholarship sets May 21 deadline

The International Bowling Media Association (IBMA) may annually award a communication scholarship named in honor of journalist Chuck Pezzano of Clifton, N.J., a member of the IBMA (formerly Bowling Writers Association of America, BWAA), USBC, and PBA Halls of Fame.

Up to three scholarships per year may be awarded to a high school senior, vocational, or college student based on the applicant's credentials. Any or all of the funds may, or may not, be distributed at the discretion of the committee. Individual awards may not exceed \$1,500 per year, and yearly combined scholarships may not exceed \$3,000 per year. If there are any ties, money will be split. Winners will also receive a one-year paid membership in IBMA.

To be eligible, applicants must meet the following requirements:

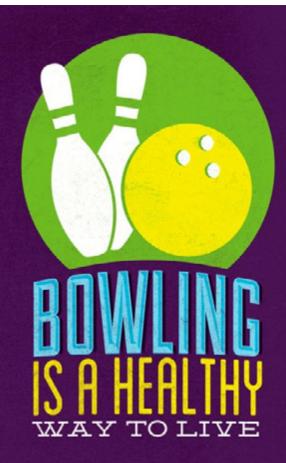
- > Involvement in the field of communications (to mean, all who communicate with words and images), for example: writers, journalists, television, radio, or web broadcasters, public relations or publicity directors, graphic artists, copy writers, as well as photo journalists, illustrators, and cartoonists.
- ➤Maintain a minimum 3.0/4.0 GPA or equivalent (weight: 2/5).
- > Include a copy of school transcript with the application.
- > Participate in the sport of bowling, although bowling skills are not a requisite (weight: 1/5).
- > May not have exceeded their 25th birthday during the calendar year of the award.
- > Include one or two letters of reference.
- > Write a titled essay not to exceed 1,000 words (weight: 2/5).

Complete this application and return it to the chairman postmarked no later than May 21, 2014.

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