

LEAGUE SECRETARIES:

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AND PASS IT THROUGH YOUR LEAGUE.**

CHARLA'S WEB

**Greetings and welcome back to
BOWLING!**

The 2011-12 bowling season is off and rolling and what a fun and exciting season this will be!

VIRTUAL DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

Have you heard about the **NEW** side tournament the Iowa State USBC WBA is providing for all the State Championship Tournament entrants in the team event? Check out the article on page 7 of this newsletter regarding our "VIRTUAL DOUBLES" tournament! Let's all get together and help the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame!

MIDWEST WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

Speaking of "**NEW**", starting in 2013, our bowlers have another tournament opportunity! Take a look at the article on page 10 regarding the "Midwest Women's Tournament".

MIXED STATE TOURNAMENT

No article this issue, but we're still working on the **NEW MIXED STATE TOURNAMENT** for our Iowa bowlers! Look for more information on this in the December issue!

NO FLIP-FLOP BETWEEN DOUBLES & SINGLES???

Something else **NEW!** During the 2012 ISUSBCWBA State Championship Tournament in Council Bluffs, during the doubles & singles, our bowlers will **NOT** flip flop lanes!

USBC WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Now, let's talk about something not so new; the USBC Women's Championship Tournament! It's been around forever, and while Iowa has many of our bowlers who bowl at the "nationals" every year, there are many that have never experienced the fun and thrill of bowling a national event!

What can we do to encourage our bowlers to enter the USBC Women's Championship Tournament? Let's think about it!

Personally, I can tell them about all the fun I've had, and the places I've been, the things I've seen, and the bowling I've done, good, and the not so good in my thirty years of bowling nationals. I now enjoy taking a bowler or two each year with "my" group who has never been to the nationals. I really enjoy seeing a "newbie" experience their first tournament and all that goes with it!

What can we tell our bowlers about bowling at nationals? We now bowl in a stadium/arena setting, rather than a bowling center for one thing. We don't have to be a "good" bowler; the tournament is handicapped and has three divisions! They

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offer a large variety of bracket competitions; some of our bowlers are really into that part of a tournament!

For some, it's visiting a new place, new opportunities for sightseeing, learning about a part of the USA they might have never visited before, new and different food choices, shopping experiences, and the great FUN of being together with our bowling buddies from home, and maybe others that have moved away, and making new bowling friends!

The women's event has seen a large decrease in recent years. Like any event, it has to "break even" financially or we are in danger of losing our most prestigious event for ALL women bowlers!

Unfortunately, the last two tournaments have not seen the financial success that is so necessary in order to preserve the health of the event for future years. This is largely due to a decrease in participation.

How can we help? We need to have and maintain a POSITIVE attitude toward the tournament. We need to help USBC sell the tournament. We need to offer our ideas regarding all aspects of the tournament, and not just where we're going physically with the tournament from year to year. We have to try to trust the decisions USBC makes regarding our tournament.

Most of us know that the USBC Women's Championship Tournament will be held in Reno in 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015. Two of those years, 2012 and 2015 are due to the contractual agreement between USBC and the Bowling Stadium. That is not a new idea, we've been doing the every three years thing since the bowling stadium was built, and so does the Open tournament.

USBC has asked us to join them for two additional years in Reno, 2013 and 2014. It's a business and financial decision to remain in Reno. They have the financial backing of Reno's Tri Properties (El Dorado, Silver Legacy and Circus Circus) to support the tournament and to help it grow. Other bidding cities haven't been able to fund the bidding process as well as Reno. There is competition for

our event; USBC has to look at many aspects of the bidding before making decisions regarding the tournament.

Let's all help ourselves and the USBC Women's Championships Tournament! Talk it up! Make the bowlers aware that there is a national tournament available, that it's fun, and exciting to bowl in a national event wherever it is!

IOWA STATE USBC WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENTS

Now, let's chat just a bit about our own STATE Championship Tournament! We have a rich history with our tournament, and we maintain a 22% to 25% average participation ratio. This is much better percentage of tournament bowlers/membership than other states can claim!

The 2012 ISUSBCWBA State Championship Tournament starts February 4, 2012 in Council Bluffs, IA. Unless extended, the tournament will conclude on April 28, 2012. Entry is open NOW and closes December 1st.

Get your team together and send in your entry NOW! All Events (team, doubles & singles) will be hosted in one center; THUNDERBOWL in Council Bluffs. Scheduling will be a bit challenging but I'm hoping we can accommodate all our Iowa ladies who want to bowl in our state tournament!

And let's not forget our Senior State Tournament for our bowlers ages 55 and over!

All tournament forms are available on our website, www.iowawba.com, downloads tab. Check us out!

Well, I've rambled on long enough! I need to get back to the business at hand!

Remember, the Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Assn. Inc. is YOUR organization. Your Board of Directors, myself included, are here to SERVE you. Please, call on us at any time. Service to our bowlers and tournament opportunities are our number one priority!

Until next time, *Charla*

2012 ISUSBCWBA ANNUAL MEETING

By Charla Green, ISUSBCWBA Assn. Mgr.



Mark your calendars and make your reservation!

March 23, 24 & 25, 2012 is the Annual Meeting Weekend of the Iowa State USBCWBA. Come join the fun and help us conduct the business of your bowling association too!

The Annual Meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2702 Mid American Drive, Council Bluffs, IA. Phone 712-309-9000. This convention hotel is part of The Horseshoe Casino property. You can walk from the hotel right into the casino!

The Council Bluffs USBC will be hosting a Friday Night

Get Acquainted banquet. More information and ticket sales will be available soon!

Saturday activities include greetings from our guests, awards, a few reports, and the invitation for our 2014 tournament and meeting.

Saturday night usually is a free time for everyone to enjoy!

On Sunday, our very moving Memorial Service will be presented and then we'll get back to business which will include the officer and director elections, along with the vote for the 2014 site!

It's a busy and business filled weekend, but it's also lots of FUN!

"Drag Your Wagon" to Council Bluffs in 2012 and come join the FUN!



2011 ISUSBCWBA Annual State Tournament

Held in Ottumwa, Iowa



Division 1 - Custom Concrete



Linda Mayner, Marlene Yeoman, Michelle Ohrt,
Patty Cameron, Millie Cameron
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Division 2 - Feisel Repair



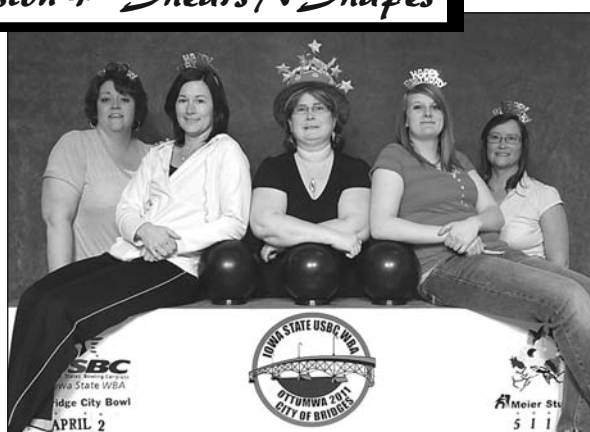
Brandee Ferneau, Sara Feisel, Teresa Reinhardt,
Rashell Gomez, Charity Ford
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Division 3 - Kum & Go



Kelly Rotgers, Dee Hinders, Megan Wiederkehr,
Bonnie Wiederkehr, Cassandra Wiederkehr, Faye Nederhoff
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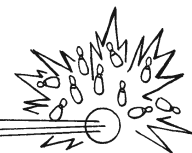
Division 4 - Shears N Shapes



Dee Smith, Shelly Eddy, Lori Henrich,
Brittany Hiatt, Sandy Goynes
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2011 STATE TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS



Team Event

Div. 1	Custom Concrete, Independence	3,662
Div. 2	Feisel Repair, Tama-Toledo	3,801
Div. 3	Kum & Go, Eldora	3,845
Div. 4	Shears N Shapes, Clarke & Decatur	3,799

Doubles Event

Div. 1	Stephanie Healey & Gail Healey, Cedar Rapids	1,637
Div. 2	Jean Barrans & Deborah Briggs, Lenox	1,645
Div. 3	Carmen Mason & Teela Waugh, Clarke & Decatur	1,638
Div. 4	Cathy Rupp & Brandi Howell, Maquoketa	1,626

Singles Event

Div. 1	Becky Johnson, Mt. Pleasant	884
Div. 2	Erin Maurer, Independence	857
Div. 3	Meaghan Shea-Evans, Missouri Valley	911
Div. 4	Nichelle Brown, Des Moines Area	902

All Events

Div. 1	Wendy Allen, Davenport Metro	2,400
Div. 2	Jodie Beitz, Greenfield	2,422
Div. 3	Hailey Bergmann, Tripoli	2,554
Div. 4	Loretta Rizzuti, Des Moines Area	2,584

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2011 STATE TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS, Continued

Singles-Scratch

Div. 1	Cindy Cottrell, Dubuqueland.....	738
Div. 2	Suzanne Holub, Cedar Rapids	536
Div. 3	Debra Miller, Mt. Pleasant	490
Div. 4	Brandy Aldinger, Ottumwa	510

All Events-Scratch

Div. 1	Jeanette Porter, Council Bluffs.....	2,018
Div. 2	Loretta Stone, Strawberry Point	1,478
Div. 3	Candace Griffith, Poweshiek County	1,365
Div. 4	Brandy Aldinger, Ottumwa	1,350

The 2011 ISUSBCWBA State Championship Tournament was held in Ottumwa, the City of Bridges. This was the first time the ISUSBCWBA events have been held in Ottumwa, and the community went all out to make our bowlers and guests welcome!

The 2011 tournament fielded 649 teams, 1,598 doubles, 3,196 singles, 3,933 all events, 210 scratch singles, and 207 scratch all events.

The tournament format was changed for the 2011 event. All previous years, the tournament was a scratch tournament. Starting with 2011, the Board of Directors of the Iowa State USBCWBA, after a lengthy study of the tournament, changed the format to a handicap event, basing the handicap at 100% of a 240 base. The Board also included two optional scratch events for those wishing to compete in them.

This same format is being continued for the 2012 tournament, which will be held in Council Bluffs.

The ISUSBCWBA spent many hours studying the past tournaments and attempting to find the right formula to even the playing field, both with averages and in number in each division in each event; therefore, making the prize fund more even across the board. As you can see by studying the statistics from the 2011 tournament, the numbers are fairly even in all the events and divisions:

Team-649 total entries

Div. 1	109 teams.....	\$3,815.00
Div. 2	196 teams.....	\$6,860.00
Div. 3	179 teams.....	\$6,265.00
Div. 4	165 teams.....	\$5,775.00
Total Team Prize Money		\$22,715.00

Doubles-1,598 entries

Div. 1	326 doubles.....	\$4,564.00
Div. 2	439 doubles.....	\$6,146.00
Div. 3	496 doubles.....	\$6,944.00
Div. 4	337 doubles.....	\$4,718.00
Total Dbls Prize Money		\$22,372.00



Singles-3,198 entries

Div. 1	821 singles.....	\$5,747.00
Div. 2	767 singles.....	\$5,369.00
Div. 3	789 singles.....	\$5,523.00
Div. 4	819 singles.....	\$5,733.00
Total Singles Prize Money		\$22,372.00

All Events-3,033 entries (optional)

Div. 1	805 all events.....	\$2,415.00
Div. 2	745 all events.....	\$2,235.00
Div. 3	732 all events.....	\$2,196.00
Div. 4	751 all events.....	\$2,253.00
Total All Events Prize Money		\$9,099.00

Singles-Scratch-210 entries (optional)

Div. 1	131 scr singles.....	\$ 655.00
Div. 2	32 scr singles	\$ 160.00
Div. 3	25 scr singles	\$ 125.00
Div. 4	22 scr singles	\$ 110.00
Total Scratch Singles Prize Money		\$1,050.00

All Events-Scratch-207 entries (optional)

Div. 1	132 scr all events	\$ 660.00
Div. 2	32 scr all events	\$ 160.00
Div. 3	24 scr all events	\$ 120.00
Div. 4	19 scr all events	\$ 95.00
Total Scratch All Events Prize Money		\$1,035.00

Complete listings of prize money and standings are available at www.iowawba.com

BOWLING BALL RAFFLES

Each tournament, the ISUSBCWBA has hosted a raffle to benefit BVL (Bowlers to Veterans Link) and Bowl for the Cure®.

In past tournaments, the raffle items have included bowling balls, quilts, decorated bowling pins, and purses.

The 2011 raffle was for a bowling ball with the NEW Bowl for the Cure® symbol, and the American Eagle ball for the BVL.

The raffle boxes were taken from Ottumwa back to the ISUSBCWBA office and were given a thorough mixing prior to drawing for the winners of the two bowling balls.

The winner of the BVL American Eagle ball was Shari Youngbear of the Tama-Toledo USBC.

Winning the Bowl for the Cure® ball was Janet Hedegaard of the Council Bluffs USBC.

The ISUSBCWBA extends a HUGE thank you to all who purchased chances for the bowling balls. This project is added to our overall donation to these two worthy causes.

Please see articles in this newsletter regarding the BVL and Bowl for the Cure®.



COUNCIL BLUFFS USBC

INVITES US TO

‘Drag Your Wagon’ to Council Bluffs!

The Council Bluffs USBC and Thunderbowl are excited and working hard to ensure a fantastic experience during the 2012 Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Assn., Inc. annual State Championship Tournament!

The tournament starts on Saturday, Feb. 4, 2012 with the Opening Ceremony and the first squad of teams and doubles & singles will take to the lanes shortly afterwards.

The Council Bluffs USBC is really looking forward to hosting our bowlers and their guests. The Council Bluffs WBA last hosted the tournament and annual meeting in 1997, so 15 years later, here we are!

Thunderbowl is the host center and ALL bowling, team, and doubles & singles will be rolled here. The center has hosted many Professional Bowling Assn. (PBA) events in past years and will be more than ready to handle the lady bowlers of the ISUSBCWBA.

At Thunderbowl, you will find thirty-two synthetic lanes, a full service lounge and snack bar with many choices, and a pro shop too! The concourse is wide and roomy to accommodate our bowlers and spectators too!

The Council Bluffs USBC will also be hosting a souvenir stand; you'll want to check that out too!

New to the tournament this year will be the elimination of the "flip-flop of lanes" during the doubles & singles competition. Doubles and singles entrants will bowl all six games on the same pair of lanes.

The ISUSBCWBA will be hosting a fund raiser for the Bowlers to Veterans Link (BVL), and Komen for the Cure®. Instead of the usual bowling ball raffle, for \$1.00 the ISUSBCWBA will be offering a paper bowling ball with either the BVL logo or the Komen insignia. On the paper ball, the purchaser can write their name, or a name in honor of, or a sentiment, etc. These paper bowling balls will then be posted on the wall near the check-in area for bowlers at Thunderbowl. This is fashioned after the display at the 2011 USBC Nationals in Syracuse.

Entry into the 2012 ISUSBCWBA State Championship tournament is open now and closes Dec. 1st. Enter EARLY for the best dates/times!



2011 ISUSBCWBA SENIOR STATE TOURNAMENT

The 2011 ISUSBCWBA Senior tournament was held at Plaza Bowl of Clinton in Clinton on May 7, 14, 15, 21 & 22, 2011. The Senior tournament is for our bowlers ages 55 and up and the tournament hosts two divisions by AGE, not average!

For Singles and All Events, bowlers ages 65 and older are included in Division 1, and bowlers ages 55 to 64 are in Division 2. For Doubles, the two bowlers ages are added together and put into the appropriate division using the above formula, only doubled!

The 2011 event fielded 114 Doubles, 69 in Div. 1 and 45 in Div. 2.

In the Singles events, there were 228 entries with 131 in Div. 1, and 97 in Div. 2.

The All Events entries were identical to the Singles entries.

The results of the tournament were:

Doubles

Div. 1 Betty McPeck & Nancy Goodwin, Clinton 1,509
Div. 2 Nancy Bird & Roselea Laubach,
Sigourney 1,500

Singles

Div. 1 Margaret Youngbear, Tama-Toledo 787
Div. 2 Bonnie Temperley, Clinton 821

All Events

Div. 1 Margaret Youngbear, Tama-Toledo 1,494
Div. 2 Kathleen Konopka, Clinton 1,532

Complete prize listing and standings are posted on www.iowawba.com.

The 2012 ISUSBCWBA Senior State Tournament will be held at Excit-A-Bowl in Pella on April 28, 29, May 12, 19, & 20, 2012. Entry forms will be mailed to the 2011 participants and to all Iowa local associations, and will also be available at www.iowawba.com.

This is a fun and exciting event for our senior bowlers! Please plan on bowling and bring a friend! The community of Pella and Excit-A-Bowl eagerly await the bowlers and promise a great time and fun experience in Pella!



2011 IOWA 600 CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

By Shannon McHugh, Secretary-Treasurer

The Iowa 600 Bowling Club met on Saturday, April 19th in Ottumwa, with 57 members attending. Re-elected as president was Janice Cooper from the Council Bluffs USBC, and Norma Rose as sergeant-at-arms from the Des Moines Area USBC WBA.

Dues for club membership remain at \$2.00 for both new members and renewals.

Donations were approved of \$50.00 to each of the three existing VA facilities, and \$350.00 to the Iowa Bowling Council for their scholarship fund.

The 2011 Doubles and Singles Tournament will be held in October at Spare Time Lanes in Jefferson, with the entry fee at \$13.00 per event, and \$1.00 optional all events handicap fee and \$1.00 optional all events scratch fee.

Plaques were presented for "Bowler of the Year" awards for high game and high series – these are the honor scores that were reported. 4 women bowled games of 300 during the 2009-2010

season – Lisa Madsen and Robin Honts, both from the Muscatine USBC, Janet Helble, Cedar Rapids USBC WBA, and Cindy Cottrell, Dubuqueland USBC WBA. Stephanie Beck of Dubuqueland was presented the plaque for her high series of 815.

In addition to the Doubles & Singles Tournament held in October, we will also have our "Triple Dip" tournament that is held in conjunction with the ISUSBCWBA State Tournament and the mail-o-graphic tournament which we use our league scores from a specific week of league bowling. The Triple Dip tournament has 3 divisions, one division for your score in the team event, a division for your score in the doubles event, and a division for the singles scores, and you will be able to cash in each division. You may enter all 3 divisions or any 1 or 2 of your choice. Entries are not transferable to another division and if you should bowl more than once in the team event, you will only be able to use the scores from the first team event bowled. The mail-o-graphic tournament allows multiple entries. The entry fee will remain the same in both tournaments - \$5.00 per entry for the mail-in with

multiple entries, and \$6.00 for each entry in the singles tournament with \$1.00 of the entry fee going to Bowl for the Cure.

This year the club raised \$183.00 from its entries to benefit Bowl for the Cure.

The Club also voted to donate \$250.00 to the proposed bowling exhibit at the Iowa Hall of Pride.

Attention 600 Club Secretaries/ Association Officers:

If you haven't mailed in your dues in the Iowa 600 Club, please do so ASAP. Your dues must be received in order to receive your entries to the ISUSBCWBA "Triple Dip" Tournament (scores used from team/doubles/singles events – please note the new format) held in conjunction with our ISUSBCWBA State Tournament being held in Council Bluffs (entries close January 28th), and entry blanks for our mail-in tournament which you use league scores rolled during the week of March 4th (or the week of March 11th) (entries close March 1st). Call Shannon with any questions (515-386-2043) or email at mchugh@netins.net.



CLARINDA USBC WBA RAISES FUNDS FOR SUSAN G. KOMEN FOR THE CURE

Submitted by Dee Hughes, President, Clarinda USBC WBA

The Clarinda USBC WBA hosted a fund raiser to benefit Susan G. Komen for the Cure during the 2010-11 bowling season.

The event featured the sale of the koozies shown here which generated nearly \$1,000.00!

Debi Miller is pictured here with David Nowakowski, proprietor of Frontier Lanes. It was Debi's idea to do the koozies as a fundraiser, and David donated the startup money to get them produced.

"Debi Miller was a truly wonderful woman, and is missed greatly" as Clarinda prepares for their 2011-12 bowling season stated Dee Hughes,

President of the Clarinda USBC WBA.

Debi's team, Miller Oil donated \$100.00 to honor their fallen comrade. Debi was instrumental in helping raise funds in past years.

*David Nowakowski
and
Debi Miller*



2011 IOWA 600 CLUB MAIL-IN TOURNAMENT

By Shannon McHugh, Iowa 600 Club Secretary-Treasurer

The Iowa 600 Bowling Club held its annual mail-in tournament last March. This tournament features league scores from any USBC women's or mixed certified leagues rolled during a specified week with entry paid ahead of the participation week. 1st place went to Julie Fink, Denison USBC, with a score of 823. 2nd place went to Shellie Heil, Marshall County USBC WBA - 805, 3rd place - Misty Bergmann, Tripoli USBC - 796; 4th - Joyce Miller, Dubuqueland USBC WBA - 781; and 5th - Shannon McHugh, Greene County USBC - 778.

The mail-in tournament was open to multiple entries, with 55 paid entries and 46 bowlers mailing in their scores. It was decided by the members at their annual meeting in Ottumwa to continue to allow multiple entries in the 2012 tournament, with one entry per league of which the bowler is a member. The 2012 mail-in tournament will be held during the week of March 4th. If bowler is unable to bowl league during that week because of weather, illness, or other emergency, league scores from the week of March 11th will be allowed. Entry forms will be returned to members upon renewal (or new membership) of their 600 club dues, and are also available on the web site (www.iowa600club.com). Entries are \$5.00 and close March 1, 2012.

IOWA 500 CLUB

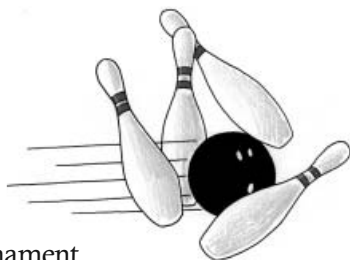
Annual Tournament:

October 15th & 16th, 2011
Keokuk County Bowl,
Sigourney, IA

Annual Dinner & Meeting
October 15th, immediately
after the last squad of the tournament

Further Information:

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or
Connie DeGreef, President,
2847 E. 68th St. South, Newton, IA 50208-8120.



HIGHLIGHTS FROM GUTHRIE CENTER USBC WBA

Submitted by Lorretta Priebe, Assn. Mgr.

Guthrie Center USBC WBA is a small local association that is working in BIG ways to fill their leagues at the eight lane bowling center!

Lorretta Priebe, the new association manager for Guthrie Center USBC WBA reports that Bonny Snyder bowled her first time on the Sunday Nite Mixed League, and bowled a



FUNDRAISER TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT THE INTERNATIONAL BOWLING MUSEUM AND HALL OF FAME

By: Charla Green,
Association Manager



The Iowa State USBCWBA has long been a supporter of Bowl for the Cure®, and BVL (Bowlers to Veterans Link). We are now looking to offer our support to the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame.

The Board of Directors of the ISUSBCWBA came up with an idea for a side tournament using scores from the state championship tournament, and making this event a Virtual Doubles Tournament!

Here's the idea: Any entrant in the Team event of the 2012 ISUSBCWBA State Championship Tournament can enter this "side tournament". It is a virtual doubles tournament, and each entrant will pick their doubles partner from the twelve members of the ISUSBCWBA Board of Directors! Therefore, we're calling this the "Bowl with the Board" Virtual Doubles Tournament!

The entrants will use their scratch Team event (first team score); their score will be added to their partner from the state board's first scratch team score. This side tournament will be handicapped at 100% of a 240 base, just like the state tournament.

Entry is only \$5.00! \$2.25 will be prize fund; \$2.25 will be donated to the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame, and 50¢ for expenses. Payout for this tournament will be within 30 days of the conclusion of the ISUSBCWBA State Championship Tournament.

Entry forms will be made available to all team entries in the 2012 ISUSBCWBA State Championship Tournament, and will also be available on the website, www.iowawba.com.

Please join us as we have extra fun with the new tournament, and as we help the IBM/HF!

Any questions, please contact Charla at isusbcwba@frontiernet.net, or call 515-576-5561 or 888-659-3223.

184 her second game! Bonny stated she didn't know when the last time she had bowled a game like that was. The Sunday Nite Mixed League is a four person, eight team league, and they are only looking to fill 3 individual spots in their league!

The Thurs night Hits & Misses is a 5 person team league, and they have 5 teams filled and are working diligently to fill a sixth team. Guthrie Center USBC WBA and the bowling center are also working on a Tues Night Mixed league with 3 person teams, and so far the response has been good!

Congratulations on the start of a great season in Guthrie Center!

ISUSBCWBA to Sponsor "Bowl for the Cure®" Mail-o-Graphic Tournament

By Shannon McHugh, ISUSBCWBA Director

The Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Association will conduct a mail-in singles tournament for all current Iowa adult USBC members in support of the "Susan G. Komen for the Cure" and "Bowl for the Cure®." The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Promise: To save lives and end breast cancer forever by empowering people, ensuring quality of care for all and energizing science to find the cures. For more information on the Komen Foundation, please contact them at 5005 LBJ Freeway, Suite 250, Dallas, TX 75244, visit www.komen.org or call 1.800.I'm.Aware® (1.800.462.9273).

The tournament accepts scores from men and women and there are now 3 divisions for each.

The entry form has been modified and much easier to use, and more accommodating to group entries, and the score verification form is still required. The entry form must be returned to the Tournament Director postmarked no later than January 20, 2012. The score verification form must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2012. Sanctioned league scores for the week of February 6, 2012, through February 12, 2012, will be used. If, however, your scheduled league bowling is postponed that week or you are unable to bowl due to illness, etc., scores bowled the week of February 13, 2012, through February 19, 2012, will be accepted. If there are any questions about using scores from a different week (other than listed above), please call the Tournament Director ASAP.

This tournament will be handicapped at 100% of 225, and will have three (3) divisions for the women (averages 135 and below; averages 136 thru 155; and averages 156 and above); and three (3) divisions for the men (averages 160 and below; averages 161 thru 190; and averages 191 and above), and does include summer averages. One entry may be submitted for each USBC certified league/tournament (team event) in which the participant is bowling. Photocopies of the entry form

and of the score verification form will be accepted. Cash prizes will be paid on a ratio of 1 to 5 entries. Entry fee will be \$5.00 (\$2.00/prize fund; \$2.00/Susan G. Komen for the Cure and "Bowl for the Cure®," 75¢/expenses; 25¢/director fee). The prize fund will be returned 100%.

All of the funds raised will be returned to Iowa to our 4 affiliate organizations: Davenport - Quad Cities affiliate, Ottumwa - Southeast Iowa affiliate, Sioux City - Siouxland affiliate, and Des Moines - Des Moines affiliate.

Winners from last year's tournament were Tammy Sharp, Ames Area USBC WBA, with a score of 865 in the WBA Division 1 (averages 135 and below). Norma Perry, Dubuqueland USBC WBA, was 1st in the WBA Division 2 (averages 136 thru 155) with a score of 869, and Lindsey Johnson, Gr Cedar Valley USBC received 1st place honors in the WBA Division 3 with a score of 886 (averages 156 and above).

The winners in the BA divisions were Kenneth Duttweiler, Burlington Area USBC BA, with a score of 966 in the BA Division 1 (averages 170 and below), and the winner of the BA Division 2 was Darwin Cooley, also of the Burlington Area USBC BA, with a score of 947 (averages 171 and above).

A record setting \$12,826.93 was raised including money collected from the raffle prizes and entry fees.

Information and entry forms for the 2012 mail-in tournament were distributed to all local associations with their new season supplies, and can also be obtained from ISUSBCWBA website (www.iowawba.com).



IOWA 600 BOWLING CLUB

By Shannon McHugh,
Club Secretary-Treasurer

Attention 600 Club Members/Secretaries/Association Officers: It's time to mail in your dues in the Iowa 600 Bowling Club. Your dues must be received in order to receive your entries to the ISUSBCWBA "Triple Dip" Tournament (scores used from team/doubles/singles events - please note the different format) held in conjunction with our ISUSBCWBA State Tournament being held in Council Bluffs (entries close January 28th), and entry blanks for our mail-in tournament which you use league scores rolled during the week of March 4th (or the week of March 11th) (entries close March 1st). Call Shannon with any questions (515-386-2043) or email at mchugh@netins.net.

The 2011 Iowa 600 Club Doubles & Singles Tournament will be held in October at Spare Time Lanes in Jefferson. Entry fee is \$13.00 per event, with an optional scratch and/or handicap All Events for \$1.00 each. The dates are Saturday, October 8; Saturday and Sunday, October 15-16; Saturday and Sunday, October 22-23; Saturday and Sunday, October 29-30. Saturday shift time is 1:00 p.m. and the shifts on Sundays start at noon. If you don't see a date that works for you, please call and we'll see what we can arrange. Come bowl with us - we would love to have you!



2011 IOWA 600 CLUB/ISUSBCWBA "TRIPLE DIP" SINGLES TOURNAMENT

By Shannon McHugh, Iowa 600 Club Secretary-Treasurer

The 2011 Iowa 600 Club "Triple Dip" Singles Tournament was held in conjunction with the Iowa State USBC WBA State Tournament held last spring in Ottumwa. Bowlers were able to submit scores in each division (team, doubles, singles) for each event in which they participated during the state tournament. If they bowled in the team event more than once, only scores from the first time they bowled were accepted.

Team event – top 5: 1st place Pat Hutchins, Stuart USBC WBA – 792; 2nd – Rita Geerts, New Hampton USBC WBA – 755; 3rd – Sara Cockburn, Greenfield USBC WBA – 753, 4th – Debbie Faust, Stuart USBC WBA – 751, and 5th – Terri Loneman, Ames Area USBC – 738. There were 62 entries in the team event.

Doubles event – top 5: 1st place – Deb Henry, Carroll USBC WBA – 890; 2nd – Teri Jennings, Ames Area USBC – 801; 3rd – Joyce Hirsch, Dubuqueland

USBC WBA – 799; 4th – Marilyn Mittan, Belle Plaine USBC WBA – 784; and 5th – Sara Cockburn, Greenfield USBC WBA – 773. There were 59 entries in the doubles event.

Singles event – top 5: 1st place – Brenda McWhorter, Gr Mason City USBC – 834; 2nd – Kathy Putney, Des Moines Area USBC WBA – 777; 3rd – Kim Rosonke, New Hampton USBC WBA – 772; 4th – Sara Cockburn, Greenfield USBC WBA – 766; and 5th – Betty Whitson, Ottumwa USBC WBA – 763. There were 62 entries in the singles event.

The 2012 tournament will be held in conjunction with the state tournament in Council Bluffs beginning February 4th. You can enter any one, two or all three of the events, your choice, but the scores must be from the event for which the entry fee was paid. Entry forms will be returned to members upon renewal (or new membership) of their 600 club

dues, and also available on the web site. Entries are \$6.00 per event and close January 28th. \$1.00 of each entry fee will be going to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure and "Bowl for the Cure®." This year's donation was \$183.00.

Membership in the Iowa 600 Bowling Club is open to any female rolling a scratch 600+ series in USBC certified league or tournament play. The first 3 games of a 4-game series will be recognized.

For information or questions concerning the 600 Club, please contact Shannon McHugh, 700 West South, Jefferson, Iowa 50129, phone 515-386-2043, fax 515-386-8531, email mchugh@netins.net, or contact any officer (www.iowa600club.com).



Grundy Center Bowlers Raise Money for Hospice

By Tami Craig, League Secretary-Treasurer

In October 2010, the Thursday night ladies bowling league from Crystal Bowl in Grundy Center decided to support the October Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign and raised \$100 in one night by paying for each frame in which they didn't get a strike or spare.

Because of the generosity of these ladies, it was decided by the league to continue donating their missed frame money through the remainder of the bowling season.

From then on, one night per month was designated as "Pink" cancer awareness night and everyone wore pink to show their support. Over the winter months our league raised a total of \$500.00.

The money raised has been donated to the Cedar Valley Hospice organization in Grundy Center in hopes to help our friends and family members in our local community. It just goes to show - *it's not just all about the bowling!*



Pictured: Rebecca Cummings - Cedar Valley Hospice, Tami Craig - League Secretary/Treasurer, Denise Coulter - League President, Marvin Faverlind - Cedar Valley Hospice.

THANKS!

*John & Vickie Woodford
Spare Time Lanes, Jefferson, IA*

We would like to thank everyone for coming to participate in the Iowa 600 Bowling Club tournament held in Jefferson. It has been our pleasure to host this tournament over the last several years and we are looking forward to this year's tournament!

We are very excited about the upcoming year and seeing familiar faces as well as newcomers. We have so many great moments to remember, and can't wait to see what happens next!

We wish you all a great bowling season. Let's go bowling!



IOWA WOMEN'S 700 BOWLING CLUB

By: Charla Green, Secretary-Treasurer

The Iowa Women's 700 Bowling Club is an organization for all Iowa women bowlers who have bowled at least one scratch 700 series in certified league or tournament play.

The club hosts two events each bowling season. On the last Saturday in September yearly (Sept. 24, 2011 for this year), there will be a 4 game across 8 lanes singles tournament. The 2011 tournament will be held at Viper Lanes in Oelwein at 1:00 pm. Immediately following the singles tournament, the club will hold its annual meeting.

During the week of January 8, 2012 to January 14, 2012, the group will conduct its annual Mail-In Tournament. For the small entry fee of \$5.00, bowlers will use their certified league scores bowled during the specified week.

Entry forms for these two events were mailed to current members, and are available on the state website, www.iowawba.com.

For further information, contact Charla Green, Sec.-Treas. at 939 South 24th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501-6146, 515-576-1805, or crgreen@frontiernet.net. Membership application forms are also available at www.iowawba.com.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM

SPENCER USBC

Submitted by Merlyn Brown, Assn. Mgr.

Misty Myhre bowled a 268 game on January 13, 2011 while competing in the Thurs. Night Men's League at Leisure Lanes in Bancroft, IA.

Also at Leisure Lanes in Bancroft, Debra Kajewski rolled a 632 in the Thursday Night Men's League on October 14, 2010. On March 9, 2011, Debra bowled a 256 game while participating in the Wednesday Night Ladies league.

Leisure Lanes in Bancroft in part of the Spencer USBC.

Congratulations to Misty and Debra!

OTTUMWA USBC WBA HOSTS BOWL FOR THE CURE

Submitted by

Nancy Butler, Ottumwa USBC WBA, Assn. Mgr.

The Ottumwa USBC WBA is sponsoring their 4th annual Bowl for the Cure® event on October 9, 2011 at Bridge City Bowl.

Their 2010 event garnered \$3,000.00; they're goal for the 2011 event is \$5,000.00!

Proceeds in 2010, and again in 2011 will be donated to the Southeast Iowa Komen Foundation.

This year, there is a new event planned; Kids Bowl for the Cure which will be held on October 16th at Champion Bowl in Ottumwa. The youth bowlers are very excited about this new venue, and are continuing to ask for more events to help with!

The Ottumwa USBC WBA bowlers expect more teams to participate this year. During the 2010 event, Unico at the Cargill plant had three teams! Their event coordinator is already working on five teams for this year!



SOMETHING NEW ON THE HORIZON!

Connie Rommel, Special Tournament Chair

Last year at the state tournament each team was given a survey asking if you would consider bowling in a Midwest Regional Women's Bowling Tournament in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin. All six states conducted the survey. As a result of these surveys, a new regional tournament is in the works.

The tournament will be called the Midwest Women's Tournament. It will be rotated between the six states starting in 2013 with Michigan hosting the first tournament and in order as follows; Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Ohio and Wisconsin. Bowling centers will be chosen by the host state association.

There will be four women handicap teams, doubles and singles at a cost of \$25 per event. Optional all-events will be \$5. Optional scratch events are available for all four events at a cost of \$5 per event.

Handicap will be 100% of 240.

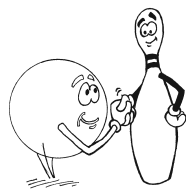
The tournament will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday in the May June timeframe, depending on bowling center availability.

Some of your state association board members will be traveling to Illinois to meet again with the other states in December to work on finalizing this new tournament.

Watch for more information to come.

Tournaments for 2011-2012 Season

State Tournament - Entries open August 1st and close December 1st. Tournament is in Council Bluffs and starts February 4th and concludes April 29th (unless extended). All events are being held at Thunder Bowl. Don't wait until the last minute to send in your entry! (There will be no bowling the weekend of the annual meeting - March 24-25, or Easter weekend - April 7-8.)



BVL – same rules and divisions as the Bowl for the Cure (below) with exception of the dates of the tournament and entry deadline. The entry deadline is November 1st and the bowling dates are November 6th thru 12th, and the second week of November 13th thru 19th if unable to bowl the first week. Entry fee is \$5.00 with \$2.00 of each entry going to the BVL (Bowlers for Veterans Link). Available to all adult bowlers, both women and men members. Connie Rommel is the contact person @ 319-234-8620 or email at crbowler@aol.com.

Bowl for the Cure – uses leagues scores from certified league bowling being held the week of February 5th thru 11th, and if unable to bowl uses scores from the following week of February 12th thru 18th. Entry deadline is January 20th, and the entry fee is \$5.00 per entry and \$2.00 of every entry goes to the Bowl for the Cure, and accepts multiple entries. There will now be 6 divisions. 3 divisions for the women members – averages 135 and below, averages 136 thru 155, and averages 156 and above; and 3 divisions for the men – averages 165 and below, averages 166 thru 190, and 191 and above. Shannon McHugh is the contact person @ 515-386-2043 or email at mchugh@netins.net.



State Seniors Tournament – For our ladies age 55 and over - doubles, singles and optional all events. You must enter both events at \$13.00 per event and optional all events is \$2.00. Weekends of April 28 and 29, May 12, 19 and 20 (no bowling on Mother's Day), at Excit-A-Bowl in Pella, and is sponsored by the Iowa State USBC WBA. Charla Green is the contact person @ 515/576-5561, fax 515/576-4969, or email at isusbcwba@frontiernet.net. This is a handicapped tournament with 2 divisions: doubles – ages 110-129 and ages 130+ (combined ages), singles – ages 55-64 and ages 65+.



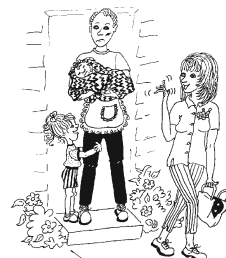
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500 Club – Handicap tournament with 4-man team, doubles and singles events, and optional All Events. Held at Keokuk County Bowl, Sigourney, on October 15th and 16th, with 2 shifts each day. \$16.00 per event, \$2.00 optional all events. Do not have to bowl all three – can bowl just team, just doubles, just singles, doubles and singles. Must do all three for all events. Banquet to be held on Saturday,

October 15th, following the last shift (approximately 6:00 p.m.) and will be catered by the bowling center at a cost of only \$7.00. Must be a paid member of the Iowa 500 club and the Iowa State USBC WBA. Contact person is Barb Tarantino @ 641/792-4854 (no email) or Connie DeGreef - email conniejo@iowatelecom.net.

600 Club – sponsors 3 tournaments for all 600 club members:

Doubles and singles tournament - held 3 weekends in October – 8, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29 and 30 at Spare Time Lanes in Jefferson. Do not have to enter both doubles and singles, may bowl multiple times in doubles with different partners. Also has optional all events, both scratch and handicap divisions. Entry fee is \$13.00 per event, and \$1.00 for each of the optional all events divisions.



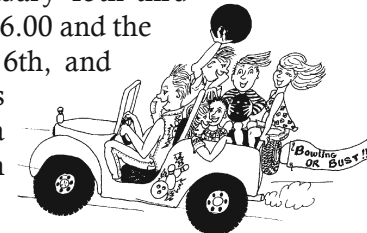
“Triple Dip” tournament – held in conjunction with our state tournament. Use scores that are bowled in each of the events of the state tournament (can do any or all 3 events; if bowl team event more than once, then first score bowled is used. Entry fee is \$6.00 per event with \$1.00 going to Bowl for the Cure. Entry deadline is January 28th, one week before the tournament starts on February 4th, and is handicapped.

Mail-in tournament – uses scores from league bowling. You can enter multiple times for as many certified leagues that you bowl. Bowling is the week of March 4th thru 10th, and if are not able to bowl that week, then may use scores bowled the following week March 11th thru 17th. Entry fee is \$5.00 and the entry deadline is March 1st, and is also a handicapped tournament.

You must be a paid current member of the Iowa 600 Club and a member of the Iowa State USBC WBA to enter these tournaments. Shannon McHugh is the contact person @ 515/386-2043, fax 515/386-8531, or email mchugh@netins.net.

700 Club – **Annual singles tournament** is a 4-game singles format being held this year at Viper Lanes in Oelwein on Saturday, September 24th at 1:00 p.m. Annual meeting is held following bowling. Entry fee is \$20.00.

Mail-in tournament is same format at the 600 club mail-in tournament, being held January 8th thru 14th, and if unable to bowl that week, then can use scores from the following week of January 15th thru January 21st. Entry fee is \$6.00 and the entry deadline is January 6th, and deadline to send in scores is January 31st. Charla Green is the contact person – information above.



INTERNATIONAL BOWLING MUSEUM AND HALL OF FAME (IBM/HF)

By: Charla Green, ISUSBCWBA Assn. Mgr.

The International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame is now located on the Bowling Campus in Arlington, TX. It was formerly located in St. Louis, MO.

I was fortunate to have visited the IBM/HF twice while it was in St. Louis and was very impressed with the content of the museum, and always fascinated with the history included there about "our game".

The move to Arlington for the IBM/HF puts the entire "bowling family" together geographically, and makes it a great experience to visit all the entities in a centralized location.

However, you need to plan AMPLE time to visit Arlington!

During my trip to the 2011 USBC Annual Meeting, I was able to tour the IBM/HF. It took all my available time that day, so next year, I will know to allow more time to see everything while I'm in the area for the 2012 USBC Annual Meeting!

The "new" display at the IBM/HF include many of the display from St.



Pictured here is one of the many displays at the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame in Arlington, TX. It depicts the old time pin setter. It is an interactive display, the guy actually talks and tells about setting the pins by hand!

Louis, but also have many new features, and much more up to date technology.

During the annual meeting festivities, the IBM/HF unveiled the newest display "50 Years of Professional Women's Bowling". The display even included Iowa's own Bev Ortner's bowling shirt from her era of bowling.

Rather than the large portraits of USBC Hall of Famers hanging, a photo and a biography of each member of the Hall of Fame is available for viewing interactively in the Hall of Fame area. Much less room and with the addition of the biography, much more interesting!

Special Olymics, BVL and the Komen Foundation all have displays, and there is even a theatre room where you can sit and watch a short movie about bowling.

I encourage every bowler who visits Arlington, TX (Dallas area) to take time to visit the Bowling Campus. It's well worth the time!

2011-12 Iowa State BVL Mail-In-Tournament

Connie Rommel, BVL Tournament Chair

You have made a difference. But the need is still there. We need your help in soliciting entries for our annual BVL Mail-in-Tournament held in November during Veterans Week. Entries are open now and close on November 1, 2011. The cost is only \$5. No extra day at the center, you use your league scores during November 6-12. The entry form can be downloaded from our web site www.iowawba.com.

Be the one that takes the lead during your league competition, at the bowling center or even your whole association. Most people will give you \$5 for this good cause if you take care of the entry for them. All you have to do is ask!!

Last year we had another record year of entries. We had 2244 entries from the men and women bowlers of the state of Iowa. Let's try and beat that record again this year. We have donated almost \$20,000 to BVL since this tournament started 4 years ago.

For those of you new to BVL

(Bowlers to Veterans Link) is the bowler's charity. It is a national organization that provides therapeutic and recreational programs and services at our national VA Medical Centers, Vet Centers and State Homes. They provide music, arts, recreation and sports equipment for the rehabilitation and recovery for our nations heroes.

Some of your board of directors has seen this first hand. In September we traveled to Colonial Lanes in Iowa City for the bowling portion of the National TEE Tournament. We requested that \$3000 of our funds from last year's donations be used to support this tournament. This tournament is a golf and bowling rehabilitation program for Veterans who are legally blind, amputees, those who use wheelchairs and Veterans with other disabilities. The National Veterans TEE Tournament (NVTT) uses therapeutic format to promote rehabilitation, fellowship and

camaraderie among its participants. What a great honor it was to meet and help these fine men and women at the sport we all love.

The Veterans of our past wars and the wars going on in our world today need our help. Each and every one of us knows a veteran. They might be your grandparent, parent, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, children, neighbors, co-workers or friends. Put your heart into the BVL and help us support our men and women who have given their all to make our country a better place to live.

SUPPORT OUR BVL MAIL-IN-TOURNAMENT!!



HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING

Information submitted by Bruce Strom

According to a recent survey conducted by the National Federation of State High School Associations (the national organization that provides the rules and regulations for high school athletics in the U.S.) bowling once again saw growth at the high school level.

According to the survey, which covers the 2009-10 school year, nearly 53,000 students competed at the 4,886 schools that offered high school bowling.

As a high school sport, bowling has seen increases every year this entire decade. In fact, in the survey the NFHS conducted during the 1999-2000 school year, only 19,713 athletes competed at 1,749 schools. That's a lot of new bowlers in just 10 years!

Currently, half the states in the nation offer bowling to high school students as a varsity sport.

Does your school offer high school bowling? Need information on how to get started with high school bowling? For further information regarding high school bowling, visit bowl.com/highschool.



Virginia "Ginny" Hebbeln



Virginia "Ginny" Hebbeln passed away on April 5, 2011.

Ginny was born April 16, 1921 in Minden, IA. She was preceded in death by her husband, Erwin, and many other loving family members. Left to cherish her memory is her son, John Hebbeln, and daughter Jacqueline (Joseph) Raus, seven grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren, her brother Gerald (Mary), and many cousins.

Ginny was involved for many years in league bowling and coaching in Davenport, IA. She was the District Supervisor of the Iowa Junior Bowling Assn. for thirty five years, and served on the state Junior Bowling Assn. Board for more than thirty years.

Ginny was a member of the Davenport-Bettendorf WBA for forty six years and served as president for twelve years. She was made a life member and inducted into their Hall of Fame in 1969.

In 1976 Ginny was elected to the Iowa Women's Bowling Assn. Board of Directors. She served for seventeen years, and was also elected to their Hall of Fame, and was a Member Emeritus at the time of her death.

Ginny attended forty two annual WIBC tournaments and forty four state tournaments. She was a charter member of the Iowa Senior Tournament and attended all sixteen of their annual tournaments.

Funeral services were held in Davenport on April 9, 2011.

FOUR DAYS IN TEXAS 100° HEAT AND DROUGHT—AKA THE USBC CONVENTION

by Sally Reighard

The 2011 USBC Convention made history this year.

The convention and the bowling industry's Bowl Expo Trade Show were both held at the same time and at the same location – the Gaylord Texan Hotel and Resort in Grapevine, Texas.

Although the USBC meeting dates covered the usual four-day period - June 28 through July 1 this year - Bowl Expo and USBC activities actually began on June 25 and continued through June 28 with registrations for each entity and the Women's U.S. Open qualifying at AMF Lanes in Euless, Tex. Other activities included an evening tour of the International Bowling Campus in Arlington on the 28th.

There were a variety of workshops scheduled all day Wednesday, the 29th, with a barbeque and a Night at the Campus in the evening. Those who had signed up for the evening event were bussed from the Gaylord Texan to Arlington. After the barbeque, they received a tour of the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame which is housed in the main Campus building. The tour also included participation in the Grand Opening Ceremonies for the all-new "50 Years of Women's Pro Bowling" exhibit.

Thursday morning's schedule included more workshops as well as a session to meet the candidates. And there were Regional Roundups in the afternoon for each area

of the country. The Thursday evening highlight was a trip to Cowboys Stadium where attendees were in the audience for the live competition (and ESPN taping) of the Women's U.S. Open finals. Two practice lanes and two competition lanes were specially constructed in the stadium, on the 50 yard line. The Dallas Cowboys cheerleaders provided some of the entertainment of the evening. Convention attendees had the option of attending for the finals competition only, or for an additional fee, they could attend the Club Xpo's EndZone party following the finals.

I traveled to Grapevine with Iowa State association manager Charla Green and Iowa State president Kristi Reidy.

They picked me up in Osceola, Iowa, early Tuesday morning, and we arrived at the Gaylord Texan later that evening after 10½ hours on the road.

We each covered four different workshops on Wednesday, two in the morning and another two in the afternoon. As the Thursday morning workshops were repeats of those at least one of us had covered on Wednesday, we spent the morning by going down to Arlington where we visited the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame since we had not participated in the event the night before. However, we were not able to tour the International Training and Research Center immediately adjacent to the office and museum as it did not open until noon, and we wanted to get back to Grapevine, where, after lunch, we did enter the Bowl Expo Trade Show for about an hour before we went to attend the Midwest Regional Roundup. The Trade Show was enormous, with about 250 vendors on the floor.

We attended the Women's U.S. Open finals and the Club Xpo EndZone party at Cowboys Stadium Thursday night, thanks to the generosity of Maple Lanes proprietor Bruce Strom of Waterloo. And, we were privileged to get to meet and talk with Leanne Hulsenberg who defeated number one seed Kelly Kulick 218-183 to win the U.S. Open title. She was very friendly and gracious and posed for pictures with anyone who asked. Of course, we had our picture taken with her.

The Convention began Friday morning at 8:30 a.m. I must say, they have found many ways to make the meeting shorter. And they have certainly managed to take away all the elegance. However, this year the National Anthem was a live performance by the BVL Re-Creation singers rather than just a video.

The Credentials Report noted 991 association delegates, 11 athlete delegates and 22 board members in attendance for a total of 1024 eligible to vote. After a brief Memorial video presentation, the top BVL donors from across the country were announced, and convention attendees were treated to a short musical presentation by Re-Creation. This fabulous group is sponsored by BVL and consists of four young men and three young women who travel with their

director to various VA centers and hospitals and State Veterans Homes throughout the country, entertaining America's troops and hospitalized veterans. Contributions to BVL through USBC for the 2010-2011 season were nearly \$750,000 .

Various recognition awards were shown via a video presentation. Honorees were: Helen Baker Outstanding Association Service Award – Ellen Goss of Garland, Texas, Proprietor of the Year Award – James Doty of Noblesville, Indiana, Joyce Deitch Unity Award – David Patrick of Cibolo, Texas, Kerm Helmer Horizon Award – Steve Lawson of Mahomet, Illinois, David Dahms Coach of the Year Award – Marty Jones of Providence, Rhode Island, Youth Female Ambassador of the Year – Cera Dailey of Sherwood, Arkansas, and Youth Male Ambassador of the Year – Lance Ragland of Sunnyvale, Texas. The recipients then came on stage as a group and were presented their individual awards.

The Alberta E. Crowe Star of Tomorrow and the Chuck Hall Star of Tomorrow recipients were recognized individually and each was allowed to talk briefly in person. The Alberta E. Crowe Star was Nicole Mosesso of Centerville, Ohio. Brent Bowers of Mulvane, Kansas was the Chuck Hall award recipient.

Routine reports were next . . . the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame report contained a video presentation of the new exhibit "50 Years of Women's Pro Bowling," and the report of the Strategic Planning committee revealed projected planning for the future.

After informative reports from the President and the Executive Director, a "Meet for the Cure" ceremony was held with breast cancer survivors marching up in front of the stage and presenting a Bowl for the Cure check in the amount of \$952,082.51 to the representatives from the Susan G. Komen Foundation who were in attendance. Attendees also saw a short video about survivor stories and how the Foundation is supporting breast cancer research.

After lunch, delegates moved right into the legislative session. There were only three proposed amendments to consider. L1, which proposed lowering the age for senior leagues from 55 to 50 was rejected.

B1, which would require all non-merged state and local state associations to be merged by Aug. 1, 2012 was amended to require those associations to be merged by Aug. 1, 2013. Even as amended, the PA was rejected. And B2, which would change the requirement for nomination papers for the board to be filed with USBC from 24 hours to 30 days, was approved.

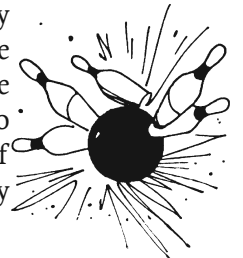
The nominating committee report was given, and the candidates were introduced.

Following a short break, industry updates were given from the BPAA and the TNBA. With no unfinished business to consider, the meeting moved into new business and the USBC Board elections. Electronic voting devices from Turning Point technology were used and three ballots were required before four board members had been elected. Darlene Baker, Mahomet, Ill., Jo Dimond, Columbus, Ohio and Marci Williams, Wichita, Kan. were elected on the first ballot. On the second ballot, no candidate received a majority so the person receiving the lowest number of votes was dropped. On the third ballot Bill Vint, E. Troy, Wis. was elected.

A Town Hall questions and answers period was followed by the President's closing remarks and the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

The Friday evening event was the USBC Hall of Fame Reception and Inductions . Inductees were Del Ballard, Keller, Tex., Carol Gianotti, Perth Australia, and Wayne Webb, Columbus, Ohio for Superior Performance; Roseann Kuhn, Hays, Kan. for Meritorious Service; Jeff Richgels, Oregon, Wis. for Outstanding USBC Performance; and Cheryl Robinson, Placentia, Calif. in the Veterans category.

Having checked out first thing Friday morning, our vehicle was already loaded, so after a few goodbyes to some fellow Iowa attendees, we were out on the road about a half hour after the meeting adjourned. We drove very late into the night, finally stopping at Carthage, Mo., just a few miles north of Joplin. We hit the road shortly after 7 a.m. Saturday morning and were all safely back home in plenty of time to celebrate the rest of the Fourth of July weekend.



ISUSBCWBA SUPPORTS NATIONAL TEE TOURNAMENT

By: Charla Green, ISUSBCWBA Assn. Mgr.

The National TEE Tournament is an event for America's veterans and is held annually in Iowa City. BVL (Bowler's to Veteran's Link) helps fund this event and the ISUSBCWBA requested that \$3,000.00 of our fundraising proceeds be returned to the TEE Tournament.

The TEE Tournament hosts many events for the veterans, one of which, of course is BOWLING!

The bowling portion of the three day event was held on Wednesday, September 14th at Colonial Lanes in Iowa City.

The participants included 48 disabled or partially disabled veterans from across the USA! The bowlers were treated to one or two games of bowling, and award medals were presented to those rolling the highest game on each pair of lanes (24 lanes were used during the event).

The ISUSBCWBA participated in the bowling part of the 2010 TEE tournament also. In 2010, there were approximately 36 bowlers, so the 2011 event increased considerably, including several more bowlers who participated in wheelchairs using ramps!

The bowlers also included many veterans who are visually impaired,

either slightly or being totally blind. Those needing help with bowling were all assisted with a host of volunteers who were on hand to support these veterans during this event.

One of the bowlers participating in the 2011 event was ninety five years old. He was recognized for being the oldest bowler in the bowling contest.

The veterans all displayed various levels of bowling ability, from having no bowling skills to those who bowl regularly. One bowler from the Cleveland, OH area bowled a 228 his first game!

Connie Rommel, ISUSBCWBA Director, and BVL Chair spoke to the veterans and volunteers prior to the award presentations, explaining our fundraising efforts through BVL. Also in attendance were Shannon McHugh and Sally Reighard, also Directors, and Charla Green, Association Manager of the ISUSBCWBA.

Again this year, Connie, Shannon, Sally, and Charla had the honor and privilege of presenting the award medals to the winners, and thanking ALL for their service to our country.



Pictured here are Shannon, Charla, Connie, Sally, and Pat from St. Louis, MO, one of the visually impaired bowlers who bowled in the TEE Tournament.



HIGHLIGHTS FROM STRAWBERRY POINT USBC

Submitted by Nancy Hayes,
League Secretary

Congratulations to **Lisa Steger** for rolling a 211 on February 23rd. This was Lisa's first ever 200 game, and she rolled it on her birthday! Lisa's average was 115 at the time.

Sue Meyer also rolled her first ever 200 game, a 218; 83 pins over her average of 135 that night!

During the 2010-11 season, the ladies league at Country Bowl welcomed new bowler Janet Kruse. Returning to bowling was Cassie Gruman and Penny Handke. They're looking forward to all bowling together again in 2011-12. Their league consists of six teams of three women each.

Strawberry Point USBC congratulates **LORETTA STONE** on her first place win the Scratch All Events, Division 2 in the 2011 ISUSBCWBA State Championship Tournament in Ottumwa.

Verna Klosterman suffered an automobile accident just one week before her bowling league was to start their 2011-12 season. Verna's injuries included four broken vertebrae in her neck, and a broken breast bone. The Strawberry Point USBC wishes Verna a speedy recovery! The entire league always enjoyed Verna's hand and body motions after releasing her ball!

Welcome to **Rita Beauchamp** to the new bowling season in Strawberry Point! We're glad you've joined us!



honor roll

HIGH GAME

Brittany Dyer	Greater Cedar Valley	300	3/6/11
Jennifer Czerwiec	Muscatine	300	3/17/11
Jennifer Lienen	Davenport Metro	300	3/24/11
Jennifer Lienen	Davenport Metro	300	3/24/11
Stacia Smith	Council Bluffs	300	4/13/11
Danielle Naughton	De Witt	300	4/25/11
Peggy Gracey	Des Moines Area	299	1/26/11
Breanne Underwood	Council Bluffs	299	2/4/11
Deborah Bach	Council Bluffs	299	5/7/11
Peggy Gracey	Des Moines Area	298	2/16/11
Roxie Bush	Greater Cedar Valley	298	3/28/11
April Tippet	Cedar Rapids	290	12/8/10
Shirley Johnson	Dubuqueland	290	12/14/10
Breanne Underwood	Council Bluffs	290	3/6/11
Barbara Burken	Clinton	289	3/2/11
Kristy Sameulson	Muscatine	289	3/6/11
Jennifer Czerwiec	Muscatine	289	3/28/11
Mary Lowe	Muscatine	289	4/1/11
Jamie Norman	Iowa City	288	12/2/10
Diana Loney	Dubuqueland	288	1/30/11
Tara Brannaman	Cedar Rapids	288	3/28/11
Lisa Madsen	Muscatine	288	3/29/11
Jaime Clay	Greater Cedar Valley	285	3/27/11
Pam Vasquez	Cedar Rapids	280	3/20/11
Shirley Johnson	Dubuqueland	279	12/21/10
Gail Healey	Cedar Rapids	279	1/25/11
Kristy Sameulson	Muscatine	279	2/8/11
Cindi Bushore	Boone County	279	2/27/11
Dana Homolar	Greater Cedar Valley	279	2/28/11
Cheryl Roe	Cedar Rapids	279	3/3/11
Tabitha Bieri	Muscatine	279	3/6/11
Tabitha Bieri	Muscatine	279	3/14/11
Roxie Bush	Greater Cedar Valley	279	3/16/11
Tina Lewis	Cedar Rapids	279	3/23/11
Dee Conrad	Council Bluffs	279	3/30/11
Tammy Sheker	Fort Dodge	279	4/4/11
Gena Steele	Cedar Rapids	279	4/14/11
Diane Nehl	New Hampton	278	10/18/10
Breanne Underwood	Oskaloosa	278	12/19/10
Kim Grady	Cedar Rapids	278	1/29/11
Kim Van Hauen	Greater Cedar Valley	278	2/4/11
Lisa Perry	Cedar Rapids	278	2/5/11
Triscia Klein	Muscatine	278	2/10/11
Gena Steele	Cedar Rapids	278	2/11/11
Cindi Hirsch	Dubuqueland	278	3/3/11
Kristy Sameulson	Muscatine	278	3/7/11
Taylor Lorenz	Davenport Metro	278	3/21/11
Jennifer Smith	Greater Cedar Valley	278	3/24/11
Angie Brown	Cedar Rapids	278	4/1/11
Nicole Abben	Cedar Rapids	278	4/9/11
Tammi Castillo	Cedar Rapids	278	4/13/11
April Tippet	Cedar Rapids	277	12/8/10
Deb Hutchins	Cedar Rapids	277	1/31/11

Amy Zwickel	Shenandoah	277	2/22/11
Erin Carter	Cedar Rapids	276	2/15/11
Cindy Cottrell	Dubuqueland	277	4/15/11

HIGH SERIES

Tammy Sheker	Fort Dodge	795	4/4/11
Tabitha Bieri	Muscatine	787	3/14/11
Jennifer Leinen	Davenport Metro	785	3/24/11
April Tippet	Cedar Rapids	781	12/8/10
Lisa Madsen	Muscatine	780	3/29/11
Tabitha Bieri	Muscatine	777	3/6/11
Donna Anderson	Davenport Metro	774	3/26/11
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	773	3/17/11
Sheila Chapman	Dubuqueland	771	3/31/11
Gena Steele	Cedar Rapids	770	2/11/11
Amy Zwickel	Shenandoah	770	2/22/11
Cindi Bushore	Boone County	770	2/27/11
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	760	4/15/11
Carey Cook	Davenport Metro	758	2/10/11
Kim Van Hauen	Greater Cedar Valley	752	2/4/11
Taylor Lorenz	Davenport Metro	750	3/21/11
Breanne Underwood	Oskaloosa	747	12/12/10
Linda Eighme	Greater Cedar Valley	747	3/14/11
Jamie Norman	Iowa City	742	12/2/10
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	739	4/7/11
Lori Harris	Muscatine	738	2/17/11
Lisa Perry	Cedar Rapids	736	2/5/11
Kristy Samuelson	Muscatine	733	3/6/11
Sharon (Tollefson) Shea	Cedar Rapids	733	5/4/11
Kristy Samuelson	Muscatine	731	3/26/11
Sharon (Tollefson) Shea	Cedar Rapids	730	3/10/11
Laurie Hiatt	Dubuqueland	729	12/30/10
Tammi Castillo	Cedar Rapids	729	4/20/11
Susie Lasher	Des Moines Area	727	2/28/11
Cleone Carstensen	Clinton	725	2/25/11
Lisa Madsen	Muscatine	724	1/19/11
Breanne Underwood	Council Bluffs	724	2/4/11
Laurie Lanfier	Muscatine	724	2/9/11
Brooke Flannagan	Cedar Rapids	724	4/7/11
Holly Howe	Cedar Rapids	724	4/22/11
April Tippet	Cedar Rapids	723	3/27/11
Sharon (Tollefson) Shea	Cedar Rapids	722	2/10/11
Brittany Dyer	Greater Cedar Valley	720	3/6/11
Brittany Dyer	Greater Cedar Valley	720	3/6/11
Roxie Bush	Greater Cedar Valley	719	3/16/11
Dawn Carter	Cedar Rapids	718	2/18/11
Roxie Bush	Greater Cedar Valley	718	3/7/11
Jennifer Czerwiec	Muscatine	718	3/28/11
Michelle Hochrein	Dubuqueland	717	2/3/11
Stephanie Beck	Dubuqueland	717	3/3/11
Cindy Cottrell	Dubuqueland	717	3/8/11
Diane Nehl	New Hampton	714	10/18/10
Cindi Tippet	Cedar Rapids	714	3/27/11
Linda Eighme	Greater Cedar Valley	714	3/30/11

HIGH SERIES continued

Charla Green	Fort Dodge	714	9/1/11
Triscia Klein	Muscatine	713	2/10/11
Roxie Bush	Greater Cedar Valley	713	3/14/11
Lisa Madsen	Muscatine	713	3/21/11
Kristine Wroblewski	Greater Cedar Valley	712	2/28/11
Cindy Cottrell	Dubuqueland	712	3/29/11
Melissa Franks	Shenandoah	711	9/7/10
Cindy Garvey	Camanche	711	10/27/10
Danielle Bentley	Cedar Rapids	711	2/28/11
Stacia Smith	Council Bluffs	710	4/13/11
Holly Howe	Cedar Rapids	709	2/22/11
Deborah Bach	Council Bluffs	709	5/7/11
Judy Soltow	Dubuqueland	708	1/11/11
April Tippett	Cedar Rapids	708	3/27/11
Stacie Bennett	Cedar Rapids	707	1/15/11
Gena Steele	Cedar Rapids	707	2/3/11
Stacie Bennett	Cedar Rapids	707	2/14/11
Kim Van Hauen	Greater Cedar Valley	707	3/24/11

Dannette McQuiston	Cedar Rapids	706	2/14/11
Cheryl Roe	Cedar Rapids	706	3/31/11
Sheila Chapman	Dubuqueland	706	4/17/11
Sheila Chapman	Dubuqueland	706	4/17/11
Kim Van Hauen	Greater Cedar Valley	705	2/1/11
Beth Wingerter	Muscatine	704	2/10/11
Amy Burroughs	Cedar Rapids	704	3/20/11
Jaime Clay	Greater Cedar Valley	704	3/27/11
Tammi Castillo	Cedar Rapids	704	4/13/11
Amy Pierce	Davenport Metro	703	2/3/11
Michelle Hochrein	Dubuqueland	702	12/7/10
Cathy Campbell	Dubuqueland	702	3/3/11
Vicki Genkinger	Cedar Rapids	702	3/31/11
Roxie Bush	Greater Cedar Valley	702	4/6/11
Dawn Barber	Cedar Rapids	700	2/26/11
Cherie Walter	Cedar Rapids	700	3/22/11
Cindy Cottrell	Dubuqueland	700	4/14/11
Dannette McQuiston	Cedar Rapids	706	2/14/11
Lisa Perry	Cedar Rapids	736	2/5/11
Sharon (Tollefson) Shea	Cedar Rapids	733	5/4/11

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW? SUMMER WORKSHOP 2011

By Shirley Bloodsworth, ISUSBCWBA 1st Vice Pres. & Workshop Advisory Chair

Did you ever realize that growing a garden and growing a bowling association or league are very comparable? The seventy six women who attended the Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Assn. Summer Workshop in Des Moines on July 9, 2011 discovered that they are alike in many ways!

Both a garden and a bowling association or league are started from the ground up.

A garden must have the soil prepared properly – a bowling league must have properly prepared rules.

A garden needs good seeds to grow and produce – a bowling league or association must have good officers and members to help the growth.

Both a garden and a league must be planted carefully and given proper care.

Bad weeds could be a problem in both a garden and a bowling league.

A gardener receives great satisfaction from watching and waiting for the harvest – a bowling board takes pride in having a successful season.

The Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Assn. Board of Directors are really "gardeners" for the women bowlers in Iowa. We work hard to plan, plant and produce the best bowling events and services we can for you, our bowlers!

How long has it seen since your league rules were reviewed? The morning session of the workshop was a refresher course on league rules and the use of the League Officer's Handbook. A skit was

also presented by the ISUSBCWBA Board of Directors on bowling etiquette.

Following a delicious luncheon prepared by the Des Moines Area USBC WBA ladies, we were honored to have two guests from USBC; from the Association Services Team, Sharon Moen, and our new USBC Field Manager, George Lambert. They both presented information on various services provided by USBC and fielded questions from the workshop attendees.

The Summer Workshop is one of the many services provided by the Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Association, Inc.



This is USBC Field Manager, George Lambert with the ISUSBCWBA Board of Directors following a presentation to George at the Summer Workshop. As a new USBC Field Manager, Iowa was privileged by being the first workshop/event that George presented!

IOWA BPA SUPPORTS BOWLING AT THE IOWA HALL OF PRIDE

Randy Thompson and Xan Taylor from the Iowa BPA visited Director Jack Lashier from the Iowa Hall of Pride to discuss building a bowling kiosk in the state of the art facility next to Hy Vee Hall and Wells Fargo Arena.

Since bowling is now a high school sport, it is time to share the greatest activity that has been a part of many Iowans lives for generations.

The Iowa Hall of Pride welcomes state and nationwide visitors showing them the rich history of Iowa and what is happening today in high school sports.

Lashier presented a prime location to display a bowling lane that starts on the floor and curves up the wall next to the game area. The attraction will feature Xbox 360 bowling for interactive play and high school bowling highlights are featured when the Xbox 360 is not in play.

The goal in displaying the sport of bowling is to raise awareness and to celebrate its part in Iowa history.

The Iowa BPA is seeking corporate and private donations (\$30,000.00 over a 3-year period) to fund our place in the Iowa Hall of Pride.

If you have questions, please contact the Iowa BPA at 515-255-0808 or 1-800-622-2695.

Donations can be mailed to Hall of Pride Fund, c/o Charla Green, 939 South 24th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501-6146.



Bowling kiosk at the Hall of Pride



Shannon, Charla, and Connie standing on the lane of the bowling display at the Iowa Hall of Pride.



Charla, Shannon McHugh and Connie Rommel with Randy Thompson, President of the Iowa Bowling Proprietors Assn. presenting a check for \$500 to the Hall of Pride Fund in support of the creation and maintenance of the Bowling Kiosk in the Iowa Hall of Pride.

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