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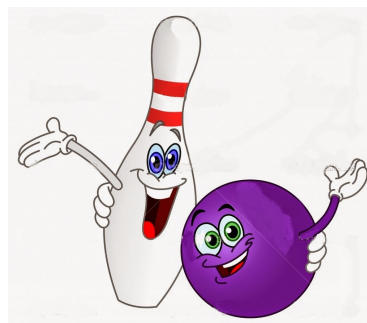
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Michigan State USBC

The Michigan State USBC **Youth** State Championship Tournaments will be held this year in the Bay City area.

Team event will be at Alert Lanes and Doubles & Singles at Monitor Lanes The tournament will run weekends March 12 thru April 24 (unless extended) The entry form can be completed on-line at: michiganstateusbc.com

Entries close February 16 - so don't delay !



Michigan State USBC Open Tournament



Although we did not have opening ceremonies, Merri Bowl Lanes, did take a moment to recognize



Our singer for the National Anthem was Brianna Taft, a local youth bowler. What a talented young lady!

some of our veterans.

THANK YOU for that beautiful rendition.

John Maker, who is a local youth coach and a Veteran, rolled the first ball - a **Strike!!** Rich Glomb, Merri Bowl's owner, promised \$100.00 a pin for the first ball.

So BVL will receive a check for \$1000.00

National Recognition



The Arbor Valley USBC Association had a national first place 3-women team game award.

The "Strike-O-Holics" team at Pinz Bowling Center in South Lyon bowled a 781 team game which placed first in the nation during the 2020-2021 bowling season.

Pictured, Left to right are:
Jacqueline Heikkinen (247)
Nancy Curmi (245)
Joanne Pencola (289).

Final Frame

John L Hadaway, 86 of South Haven was called home on Tuesday January 18th, 2022.

John graduated from South Haven High School in 1952. He married Dorothy Olson on July 3, 1954.

He found a love for bowling and began his bowling career in the 1952-53 season. He was the first person to be elected to the South Haven-Bangor Bowling Hall of Fame. John was the past President of the Michigan State Bowling Association. Throughout his 40 year bowling career, he held various league officer positions.

John was also an avid golfer and enjoyed his afternoon tee times with friends. He enjoyed collecting antique clocks, one of his favorites was from the South Haven Times.

John is survived by his wife of over 60 years, Dorothy. Son's: Mark (Sue) Hadaway, David (Melody) Hadaway, Tim (Dawn) Hadaway and a daughter Debbie (Tim) Cagle.

In addition, he had 9 grand children and 14 great-grandchildren.

Our condolences to family and friends.



Mt. Pleasant Hall of Fame

Andrea Barber

She has been a fixture on the local bowling scene since she was five years old and has contributed to the sport in a variety of ways while chalking up impressive bowling statistics.

She is an elite group of women in the Mid-Michigan area who have accomplished rolling a 300 game. That came in 2007 and she had an impressive average of 197 that same year. The 300 game was followed by games of 211 and

213 for a 724 series and her high series was a 749.

Family has been a strong force in supporting Andrea's bowling. She credits her parents, Ray and Patty VanHorn, for their "huge unconditional support" She also credits her husband, Tim for his time and energy traveling to her many tournaments and "supporting my journey in bowling" With her sister Amanda, she participated in a lot of tournaments in Florida, the East Coast, Memphis and a host of other places. From 2003-2016 she had averages in the 180s-190s every year.



While still in high school, Andrea came back to the lanes to work with the youth bowling program. She credits Nita Yager for working with her as a youth bowler and encouraging a philosophy of having fun while bowling. As soon as she turned 18 and was eligible for adult leagues, she was scooped up by family bowling teams and has accumulated 36 years of sanctioned bowling in Mt. Pleasant.

One of her achievements in local bowling came when the men, women and youth merged. As a director on the Mt Pleasant WBA for years, she had a knowledge of local bowler's concerns, and was nominated and elected to be President of the "new" Mt Pleasant USBC. Also on her list of contributions to the sport, were stints as President of two leagues, serving on the Youth Scholarship Grant committee and volunteering where needed.

Taking some time off from bowling for an injury and to raise her two sons, Ryan and Andrew, she has been an avid supporter of their activities, but she hopes to return to the lanes someday. Congratulations on your induction to the Mt. Pleasant Hall of Fame

Pepsi Tournament

The Michigan State Pepsi Championships are coming soon to Jax 60 in Jackson. 1081 bowlers have advanced to the state finals through their USBC league qualifying and will be bowling for Scholarship Points as well as the opportunity to represent Michigan in the Junior Gold Finals in July. This year's Junior Gold Finals, along with the Youth Open Championships, will be held in Michigan, with Grand Rapids, Lansing, and Muskegon all hosting events. More information about which events are bowling in which center can be found on the bowl.com website.

For the first time in the Michigan State USBC history, all the divisions in the Pepsi Finals will bowl in one center. They will take to the lanes on the weekends from April 30th – May 8th. This event is a scratch only event in which the bowlers must qualify from their local league in order to attend, thus drawing the 'cream of the crop' to come and show off their skills. The entries are being processed and confirmations will be sent to the coach on record as soon as all details are finalized. We look forward to seeing you all in Jackson and working with the great crew at Jax 60 and the Jackson USBC.

Next seasons event will be held in Kalamazoo and Three Rivers, using Continental Lanes and South Lanes. Continental Lanes has hosted in previous years, but this is a first-time event for South Lanes. We are confident that both centers and associations will do a fabulous job hosting our youth bowlers.

The 2024 Pepsi Championships will once again be held in one center, with Royal Scot in Lansing being the host. They are a great tournament center, and we look forward to hosting this event with them and the Lansing USBC.

Thank you to all the youth program managers and league officials for all the work you do to get your bowlers qualified for this event each year. Please remember that the league qualifying has been moved to October in an effort to make it easier for those programs that have high school aged bowlers. We want to see them be able to participate in our event without causing them problems meeting the MHSAA guidelines. Look for your entries and information sheets in the association packet that will be distributed in August each year.

Michigan is home to some of the best youth bowlers in the country and we are pleased to be a part of their success on the lanes and to help build their scholarship opportunities for their continued education.

Coaches - Thank you

We want to share a post we found on HOW VALUABLE our coaches are

WHAT COACHES REALLY MAKE:

The dinner guests were sitting around the table discussing life. One man, a CEO, tried to explain the problem with youth athletics. He argued, "What's a kid going to learn from someone who decided his best option in life was to be a coach?" He reminded the other dinner guests what they say about coaches: "Those who can't play, are those who coach." To stress his point he said to another guest, "You're a coach, be honest. What do you make?" Having a reputation for honesty and frankness, the guest replied, "You want to know what I make?"

I make kids work harder than they ever thought they could. I make a C+ feel like a winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor. I make kids run through 90 minutes of practice and sweat. I make kids turn dreams into reality." "You want to know what I make?" I make kids wonder. I make them question. I make them criticize. I make them apologize and mean it. I make them cooperate. I make them competitive and respectful. I make them show all their work in front of hostile crowds and perfect their acts of sportsmanship. I make them understand that if you have the will to follow your dreams, should anybody try to judge you by a mistake you made, you must pay no attention because you tried and gave it your all." "I make teams from individuals who work together to build success." He paused and continued. "You want to know what I make?"

I MAKE A DIFFERENCE, I MAKE LEADERS, I MAKE OTHER PROFESSIONS POSSIBLE."

Then he asked the CEO, "What do you make?"

Masters Tournament/ Senior Masters

Just a Reminder

The Senior Masters Tournament to be held March 12 (qualifying at 11:00 am) and 13 (Match play at 9:00 am)

The Masters Tournament will be held March 19 (qualifying at 11:00 am) and 20 (Match play at 9:00 am)

Both of these events will be at Thunderbowl Lanes/ 4200 Allen Road /Allen Park, 48101

Entries are below

BVL Tournament

**Thank you to associations that raise money for
our Favorite charity BVL!!**

From Tournament Director: Scott Campbell - Mt. Pleasant USBC

Hello, I would like to invite all of you to bowl in our 7th Annual BVL No-Tap Doubles Fundraiser - March 12, 2022

Funds will be donated to BVL

The BVL provides recreational grants to our Veteran community thru local Veterans Administration facilities.

Find more about BVL here-<https://www.bvl.org/bvl-facts/>

Entry cost is \$60 for each team(Doubles) and we have Lane Sponsorships for \$100. As a special offer, if you would like to be a Lane Sponsor we will also include a double team entry for \$150.

Host house is Riverwood - 1313 E Broomfield Road -Mt. Pleasant

To enter or sponsor a lane please email me.
We will have a Noon squad and a 4pm squad!
email: scc361@gmail.com



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