

Hello Bowler,

Michigan State USBC



Don Poley Lan

How many of us get to see an "EAGLE" up close?

The MSUSBC Board asked director, Melanie Newton to bring in her trophy so, we could all view it.

Melanie won the trophy in the doubles portion of the USBC Women's Championships (ruby division) with her partner Amber Borrello. The duo bowled this score on the first day of the tournament last April in Las Vegas.

What an accomplishment...We are sooooo proud of you!

League Bowling

We have bowlers throughout the state that have been bowling in a leagues for many years and we applaud them!

But we have to say - This has to be a record!!

Don Poley has been bowling in the same league for 78 consecutive years.

Fraser Star Lanes, in honor of this years long feat dedicated lanes 7 & 8 to Don. The pair will now be Don Poley pair.

Don bowls in The Servite of St John Berchman League.

What a wonderful tribute to a GREAT supporter of league bowling!

Youth Scholarships

Youth Scholarships are due by February 15, 2024

Michigan State USBC gives out \$2500.00 in scholarships. up to six will be awarded

(a) Nominee shall be an active member of a Michigan State USBC Youth program and an amateur as defined in the USBC Rule #400

(b) Nominee shall be a current USBC Youth membership holder who is either:

1. A High School Senior accepted by or a (see # 2)

2. High School Graduate currently attending a college, accredited trade or vocational school.

3. Nomination application must be accompanied by a current transcript of grades and ACT/SAT scores (if applicable).

(c) Nomination application must be signed by a USBC Youth Coach, or a USBC

Center/Association Manager.

(d) Nominee must verify and sign application.

(e) Nomination application must be accompanied by at least two letters of recommendation (teacher, coach, state or local USBC Center/Association Manager, etc.) Include address and phone numbers.

Scholarship application - 2024



National Team Recognition

Dale Hofmeister, Jr. rolled an 802 series and Todd Pawlak had an 813, which gave them a 1615 and first place in the "2 men team series".

Congratulations on this national award!



USBC National Award

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Calendar of Events

2024 Dates

Closing date for the Women's State Tournament Online registration - February 2, 2024

State Open Tournament begins (Battle Creek - M-66 and Bowlero) February 3, 2024

> Final date for Youth State entries February 16, 2024

Women's State Tournament begins Grand Rapids - Westgate and Station 300 - February 17, 2024

Youth State Tournament begins

Plymouth - Plaza Lanes and Livonia - Merri Bowl March 9, 2024

Pepsi State Finals Royal Scot Lansing - May 4 & 5, 11 & 12

State Meeting and Adult Awards Meeting

Holiday Inn - Midland June 22, 2024

Youth Banquet/Schildroth Invitational

Royal Scot - Lansing July 27, 2024

2024 State Fall Workshop

Doubletree - Bay City Saturday, August 10, 2024



Final Frame

Ted Hansen

We are saddened to share the passing of Michigan State USBC Hall of Fame member Ted Hansen from Vestaburg. Ted passed away at the age of 93, on December 17, 2023.

A Hall of Fame member since 2013, Ted was a warm and welcoming face at our annual Hall of Fame dinners each year, welcoming the newest class of inductees

Ted was elected as Michigan State BA Zone Director in 1984, honored with Michigan State Tournament dedication in 1997, Michigan State Meritorious Service Award in 1998 and Michigan State "Man of the Year" in 2003. He served as President in the 1996 -1997 season.

He bowled in Michigan State tournaments for over 50 years and organized 10 teams or more each year from 1962 to 1990. From 1961 until 2010 he only missed four state meetings.

Locally, Ted was Vestaburg - Edmore Association Secretary for 28 years, a league secretary for 35 years and was inducted into the Vestaburg - Edmore Hall of Fame in 1986.

He bowled in the ABC National Tournament for 27 years.

He won eight local association tournament titles. Seven titles were in the team event and one title in doubles. Ted also won the 2009 Class AA singles title in the Michigan State Senior Tournament. Ted also served on the Michigan State Senior Board for eight years.

Our sympathy to his family and friends. Ted was a true contributor to the sport of bowling.



Ken Sheehan

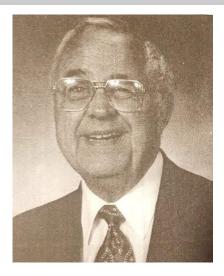
Kenneth Dale Sheehan of Bay City passed away Sunday, December 24, 2023 at Toni and Trish House with his family by his side at the age of 71, after a courageous battle with cancer.

He enjoyed bowling and coaching his children and many other children for over 30 years. Ken started coaching in 1989, becoming a Level II coach. He was a director on both the Bay City YABA Board and the Michigan State YABA Board. On the state youth board, Ken served as 2nd Vice President. He was also the Pepsi Director, Schildroth Invitational Director, and webmaster for the state youth.

Ken was an advisor/coach of the Tri City Youth Classic Travel League with his wife for 22 years.

A true ambassador for the youth of the state.

Our sympathy to his wife, Judy, family and friends.



Rex Judkins

Rex passed away at the age of 89, on January 17, 2024.

Rex began bowling in league play, in 1949 while still in high school. In his senior year, he was secretary of all of the men's and women's leagues in Boyne City.

In 1956, he was elected Secretary of the Boyne City Bowling Association and held that position for 35 years. Starting in 1961, Rex organized teams for the State Men's Tournament.

In 1974, Rex was elected Zone 12 Director of the Michigan State Bowling Association and in the 1984 - 85 season he was elected President of the association. He was one of the outstanding directors of the association and was been extremely valuable as the mainstay of the Budget and Finance Committee. In 1989, he received the Meritorious Service Award in recognition of his longtime service to the state association. Rex was inducted into the Michigan State Bowling Association Hall of Fame in 1999. He was also inducted into the Boyne City Bowling Hall of Fame. His smile, and his love of life will truly be missed.

Michigan State Hall of Fame forms

APPLICATIONS FOR 2024 ARE DUE JANUARY 30, 2024

Just a Reminder - for your local association Hall of Fame Please send the bio and a picture (jpg.) <u>tenpintopics@gmail.com</u> and we will put them in this publication.

Hall of Fame - Meritorious Service -2024

Hall of Fame - Superior Performance-2024

Michigan State Tournament Entries

Links below for our State tournaments.... See you on the LANES!!

Michigan State Women's Tournament 2024

Michigan State Open Tournament 2024

Michigan State Youth Tournament entry

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