



# TEN PIN TOPICS

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Hello Merry,

## *Michigan State USBC Youth*

### **Thanks to these associations that contributed to our Youth program**

Arbor Valley USBC, Battle Creek USBC, Bay Area USBC, Boyne City USBC, Bronson USBC, Cadillac USBC, Coldwater USBC, Greater Flint USBC, Greater Grand Rapids USBC, Greater Holland USBC, Greater Jackson USBC, Greater Kalamazoo USBC, Greater Lapeer USBC, Greenville USBC, Lakeview/Howard City USBC, Lenawee County USBC, Metro Detroit USBC, Midland USBC, Monroe County USBC, Mount Pleasant USBC, Sturgis USBC, Three Rivers USBC, Traverse City USBC, Tuscola County USBC, West Michigan USBC

### **BENEFITS/AWARDS YOUR STATE PROVIDES FOR YOUTH MEMBERSHIP DONATIONS**

*The listed programs are in effect through the 2023-24 season*

#### Award Recognition

Honor score recognition – First time 300, 700 (girls only) and 800 (Clocks) and Previous Honorees and other honor score recipients (298 & 299) – (Pins and certificates)

State High Average Recognition – State Awards, certificates, emblems Local Association Recognition – certificates and emblems.

Most Improved Average Recognition - certificates, emblems, and medals

High Series recognition each association age and gender (8 divisions)

High Series in state boy and girl

All Michigan Team & Second Team Recognition - Certificates, emblems, and Medals

State Recognition Banquet

Championship recognition

Two Free Team Entries into the 2025 Youth State Tournament each donating association

Tournament participation emblems

Coach recognition for Tournament participation of 10 or more teams.

Schildroth Invitational -

No cost to participants, Scholarship Opportunities & Participation gift for all

Scholarship Opportunities in **ALL** our tournaments

Coach of “Champions” recognition

Recognition certificates for setting new state records.

## **2024 Dates**

### **Pepsi State Finals**

Royal Scot Lansing - May 4 & 5, 11 & 12

### **State Meeting and Adult Awards Meeting**

Holiday Inn - Midland

June 22, 2024

**Invites have been sent out to Association Managers/Presidents.**

### **Youth Banquet/Schildroth Invitational**

Royal Scot - Lansing

July 27, 2024

### **2024 State Fall Workshop**

Doubletree - Bay City

Saturday, August 10, 2024

## **Accomplishments**

We always applaud our 300 bowlers, as it is quite an outstanding accomplishment. But it is nice to also compliment a bowler on a center milestone.

Sam Shandarsky picked up a 7-10 Split on Feb 12, 2024 during the Monday McCormick Seniors Mixed league

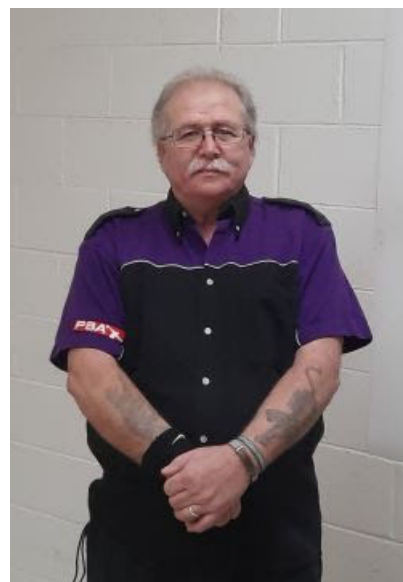
This is his first time making a 7-10 Split and according to their records... this is the first time it has been done at Vista Lanes in Oscoda, MI.

Sam has been bowling 56 years and he started when he was 3 years old.

He has rolled (6) 11 in a Row, (9) 300 games, (14) 700 Series and (3) 299 games.

Sam has also coached high school and youth bowlers for 13 years. He is a member of the Oscoda USBC Board.

Note: Sam is on a roll, on 3/11/24 he rolled a 255, 279, 289 for a 823 series.



## **850 Series**



In November of 2023, Noah Wood, a 12 year old from Flushing became the youngest bowler in the United States to roll an 850 series...posting scores of 276,279, and 300.

Noah is also the youngest bowler in Genesee Country to roll a 300 game.

If you get to Richfield Bowl, there is a banner to honor this accomplishment

Nice Bowling, Noah !!!

### A puzzle ....



Recently, at the Women's state tournament, we met.

Shelley Graunke.

She never knew her Grandmother.

She died before she was born.

However, going thru old pictures recently, she discovered this one. She did not know that her grandmother was a bowler,

so, she was thrilled to find this.

Her name was Doris Mayer and she lived in the Detroit area.

(She is pictured 2nd from the right).

She is just wondering if anyone out there can identify any of these other ladies.

How nice to know...you had something in common with your Grandmother.

She inherited the "BOWLING GENE".!!

**Thanks to all the tournaments, bowlers, associations, centers and individuals that contributed to OUR BOWLERS charity.**

82 years BVL has been supporting our Veterans.

57 million dollars has been raised since 1942.

5.36 MILLION veterans with service-related disabilities have been helped by YOUR dollars.

**So, when you are asked to DONATE, PLEASE DO....**

Your money provides recreation therapy programs that open up new worlds for veterans and help them address isolation and the challenging transition back into everyday life.

**In checking below- It is plain to see- Michigan has the second spot well claimed!!**

**TOP DONATIONS FOR 2023**

<b>State USBC Associations</b>			
Texas State USBC	\$133,910.12		Virginia State USBC \$ 62,045.59
Michigan State USBC	\$110,781.94		Florida State USBC \$ 50,091.48
California State USBC	\$100,189.03		
<b>Large Local USBC Associations</b>			
AZ - Metro Phoenix USBC	\$37,000.00		VA - Nations Capital USBC \$25,000.00
MI - Metro Detroit USBC	\$25,862.23		IN - Indy USBC
NJ - Monmouth County USBC	\$25,856.32		
<b>Small Local USBC Associations</b>			
CO - Chaffee County USBC	\$35.71/member		Or - Reedsport USBC \$7.18/member
MI - Mount Pleasant USBC	\$19.46/member		CO - Fort Collins USBC \$6.63/member
TN - East TN Lakeway USBC	\$13.92/member		



Special recognition was given this past weekend to Bruce Marshall from Lansing for his dedication to raising funds for BVL.

He never misses a chance to make sure that our veterans are remembered and recognized for their sacrifices for our country. Bruce has a unique insight into those sacrifices; as he served in Vietnam. His family continues that legacy of service, as both his son and daughter-in-law served in Afghanistan.

Starting in 2010 and 2011- Lansing sent in \$3000. 00....then it went up to \$4000.00



and again to \$5000.00. He continues to push for more every year. It seems that Bruce is never satisfied and BVL likes it that way!!

THANK YOU, Bruce, for helping BVL and we salute you for your service!

And yes, on hand to do the presentation, was MS USBC Director and the OFFICIAL(Michigan) cheerleader for BVL, Libbi Fletcher. She drove from working the open tournament in Battle Creek, to Lansing and back again for the next squad.!!!

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