45th Annual

Hall of Fame
and
Bowler Recognition Dinner







August 18, 2016

Program

Introduction of Hall of Fame	Association Manager Bill Dennis
Welcome and Introductions	MBA President Jerry Wilson
Remember	Video Presentation
Dinner	Crowne Plaza
Bowler Recognitions	**Presenter**
Most Improved Bowler of the Year Jeremy Noegel: +29	MBA Director Trevor Habich
High Individual Series Brian Hoffman: 867	MBA Director Don Aslakson
High Individual Average Rick Thomas: 240.60	MBA Director Mark Habich
High Composite Average Jim Fosdick: 233.79	MBA Director Darin Johnson
Jim Grady Bowler of the Year Derek Eoff	MBA Vice President George Dorn
Dan Mack Senior Bowler of the Year Jim Fosdick	MBA Director Phil Leighton
Fred G. Engelke Scholarship	
Chad Dempski	Jerry Hoddinott
Hall of Fame Induction	
Paul L. Beckman	Veterans
Craig S. Zirbel	Veterans
John A. Bisco	Meritorious Service
Robert A. Frambs	Meritorious Service
Richard R. Thomas	Distinguished Performance
Closing	

Legion of Honor

The Legion of Honor was established in 1988 to honor both the memory and records of deceased MBA members whose commendable service and/or bowling achievements may have been dimmed by the passage of time or by the performances of more contemporary bowlers. The Madison USBC Bowling Association accords its recognition of these meritorious individuals by naming them to deserved membership in its Legion of Honor.

1988
Vic Adler
Ed 'Sarge' Easter
Billy Hoven
Dewey Roberts
Ed Wirka

1989
Al Blaser
Jack Hilgers
Bill Lazarz
'Buzz' Neubauer
George Oakey

1990
Walter Dahl
Charles 'Buck' Kennison
Lloyd McCann
Larry Nissen
Chuck Stampfl

1991
Leroy 'Punk' Bowes
'Gilly' Brumm
Auby Ehrmann
Duane Grinde
Orville 'Rusty' Syse

1992
Les Higbie
Carl Luckensmeyer
Ed Schmitz
Duane 'Buss' Topp

1993
Clarence Chivers
Eddie Toellner
Ollie Wheeler
Bernard 'Bun' White

1994
Ray Hilsenhoff
Roger Kasper
Ken Woerpel

1996
Gordon 'Gordy' Kraut
James G. Woodburn

1997
H.G. 'Hy' Smith
George Paltz
Leo Tester

1998
Sam DeGregory
Dan Mack
Duaine 'Dewey' Moore

2003
Joe Heibl
Don Phelan

2004
Ed Lundey

2007
Harlan L. Frank
Julius T. Porter

2008
Billy Harrelson
Shigeru Nakahira

2009
Larry Kivlin

2012
Don Thorpe

2015
Charlie Reithmeyer
Bill 'Frosty' Frost

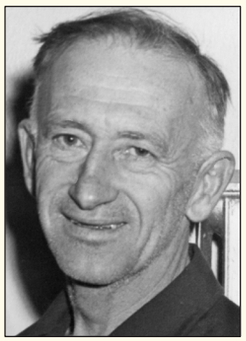
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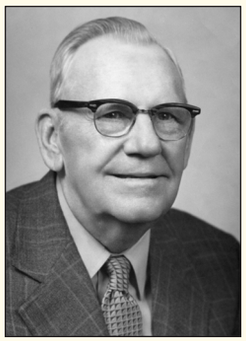
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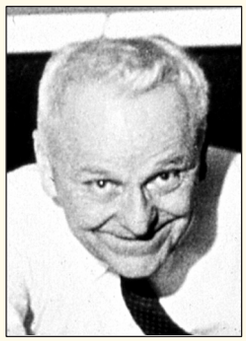
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Ray Farness*

1972



Pim Quinn*

1972



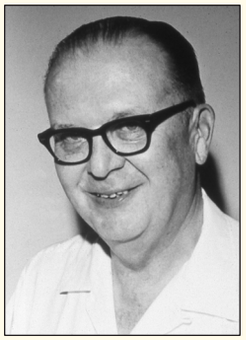
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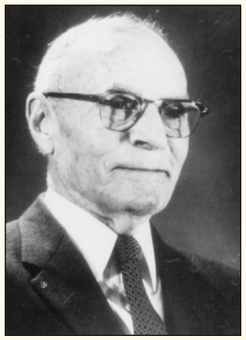
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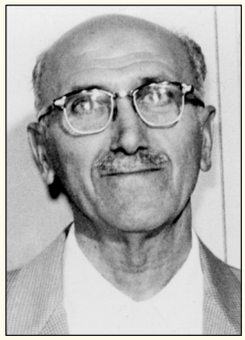
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Art Stang*

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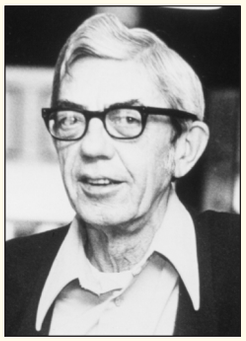
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Billy Carroll*

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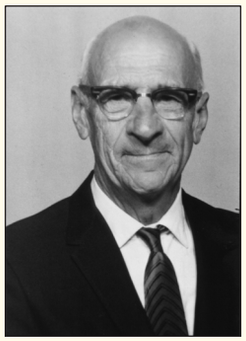
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Bill Lee*

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Hub Spahn*

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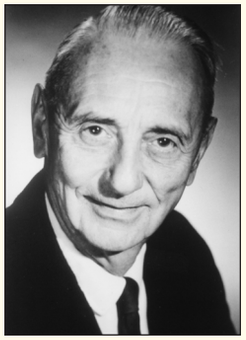
Gene Adler*

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Charles Allen*

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Scotty Skidmore*

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Stan Thaden*

1976



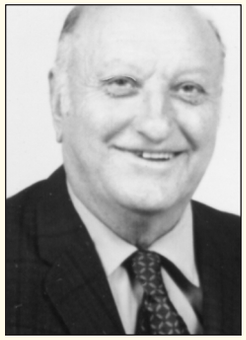
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Bill Kern*

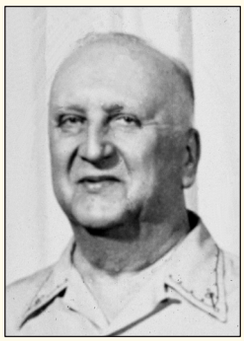
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Bob Schernecker*

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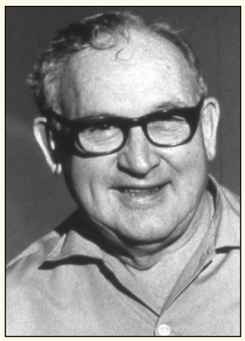
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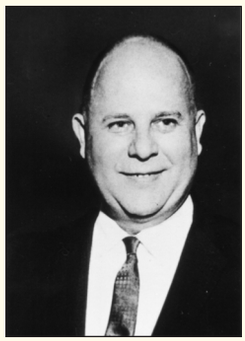
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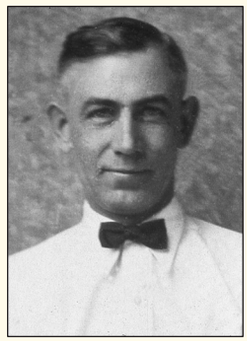
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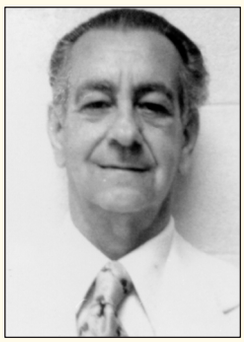
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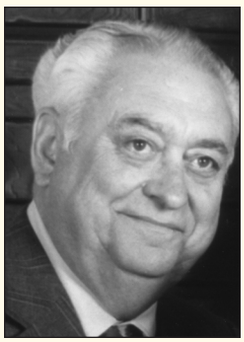
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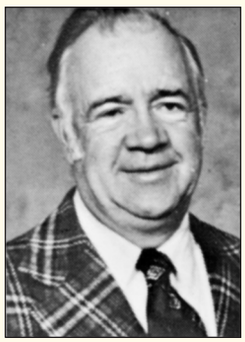
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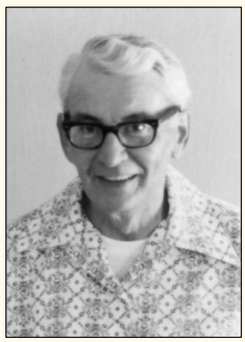
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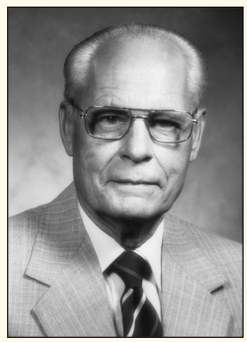
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Stub Tucker*

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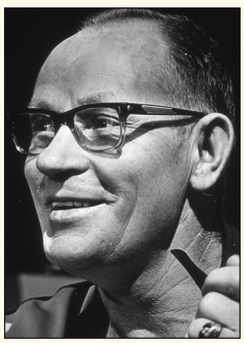
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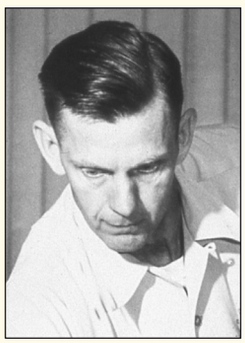
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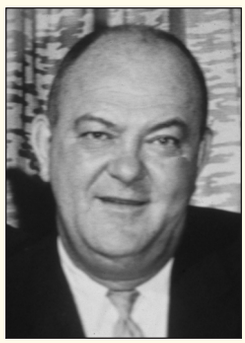
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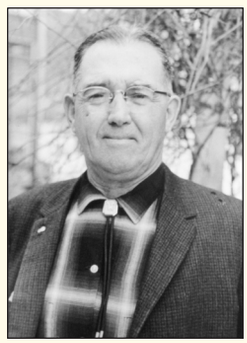
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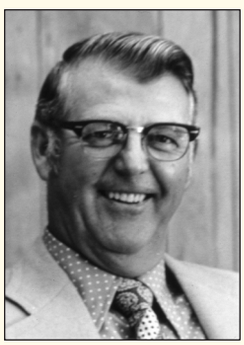
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Nick Petratta*

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Fred Engelke*

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Chuck Weigen*

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Bob Bussan*

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Alex Pirola*

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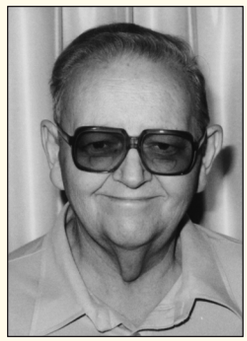
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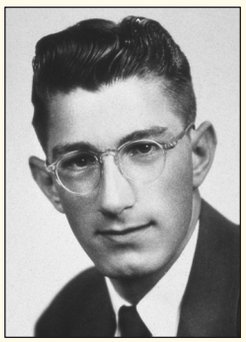
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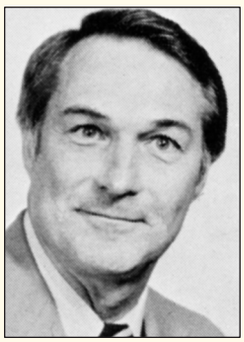
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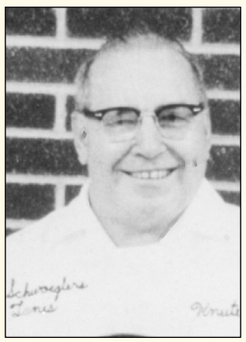
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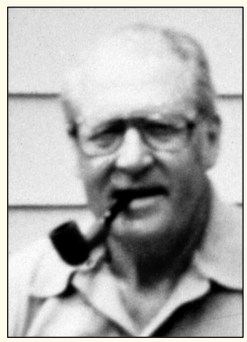
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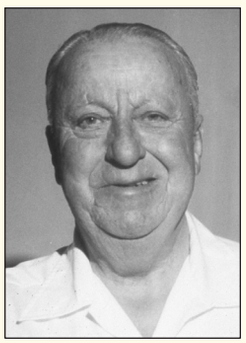
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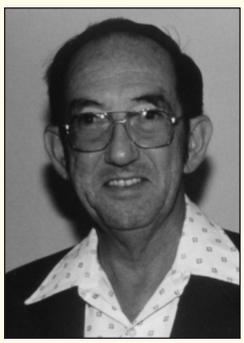
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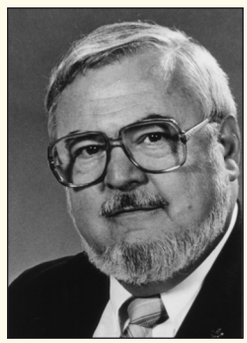
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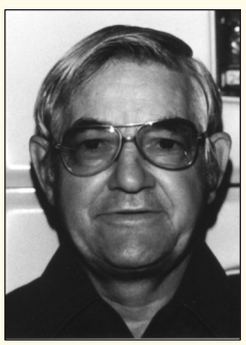
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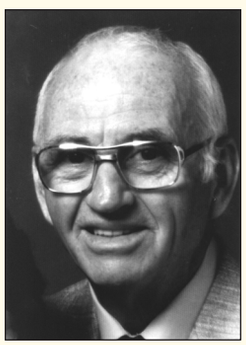
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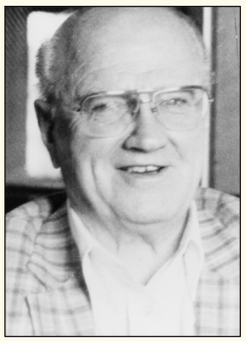
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Jumbo Woller*

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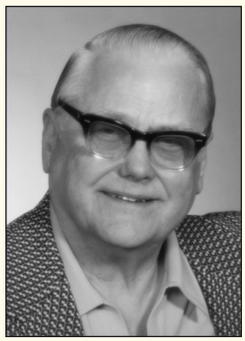
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Art Rude*

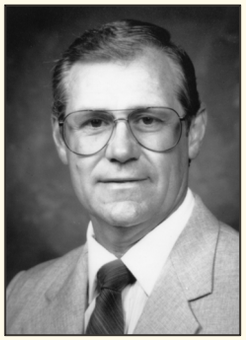
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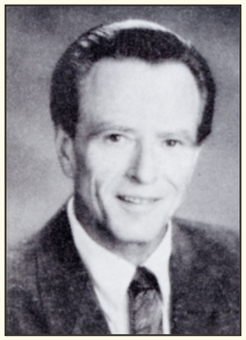
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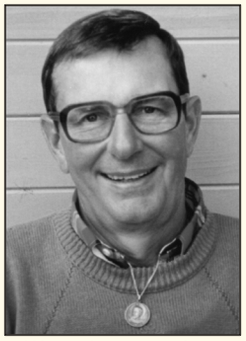
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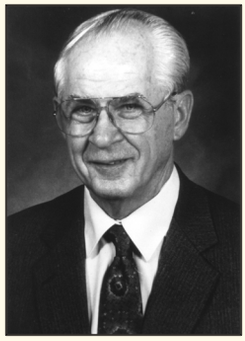
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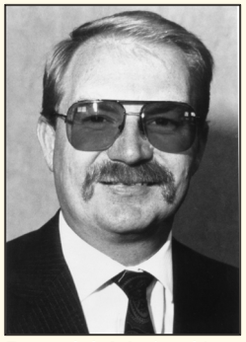
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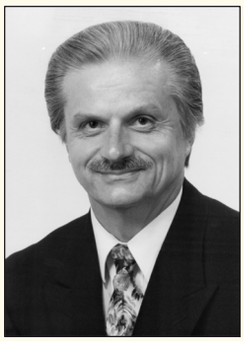
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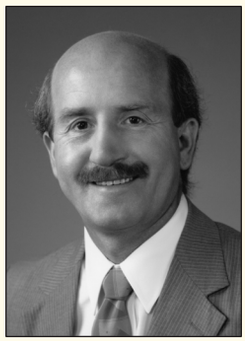
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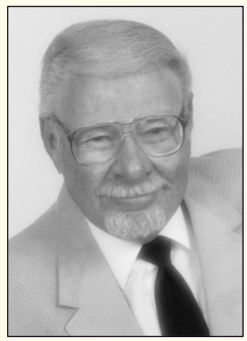
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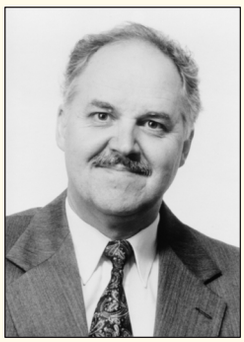
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Bob Holzbauer

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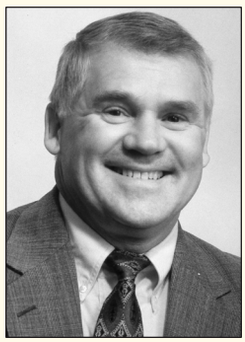
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Rod Sherry

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Dick Kalnicky

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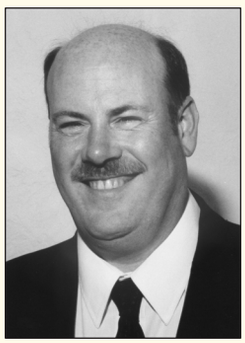
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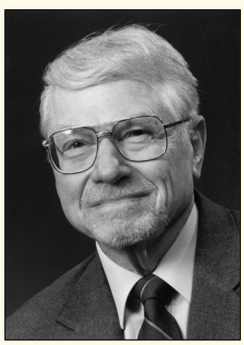
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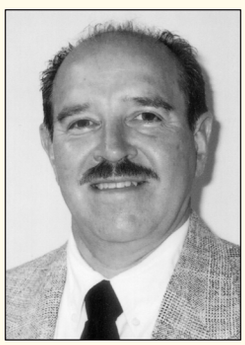
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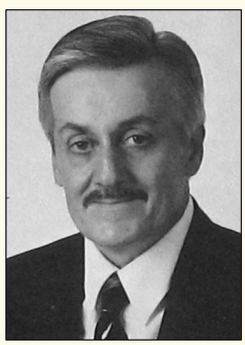
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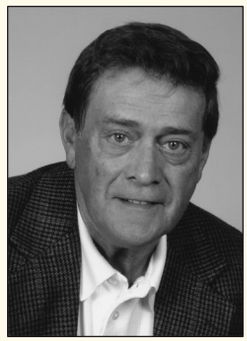
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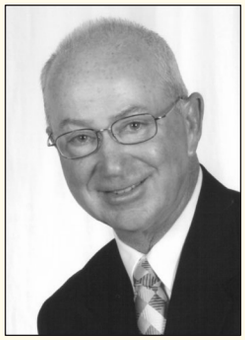
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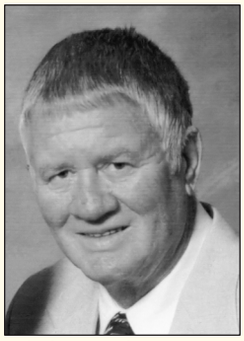
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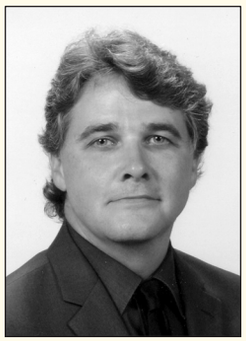
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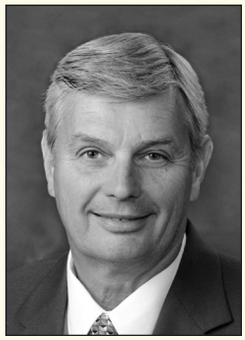
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Don Leighton

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Don Bussan

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Tom Smyth

Paul L. Beckman













Born: October 29, 1952

Paul Beckman grew up a few blocks from Casino Lanes where he launched his bowling career in youth leagues. He bowled in the vaunted Madison Area Junior Traveling League in high school, and was a junior bowler in the 1969 ABC tournament at the Coliseum. His habit of bowling big in tournaments started with his first 600 series in the Junior City Tournament.

Beckman's first 700 came in the ABC Tournament in 1974 doubles, leading to a 40th place finish. He earned City Tournament titles in 1976 (team) and 1978 (singles). An avid tournament bowler, he participated in dozens of national, state, city, and other local and regional events. He won the 1974 Dream Lanes Team Tournament, and repeated 41 years later with his daughters as teammates. In the 52 years of the tournament this was the first team winner comprised of a father and daughters.

His seven perfect games span almost 40 years with his first in 1976, and his two most recent in Senior City tournament events in 2012 and 2014. Beckman has been a high level performer for the entirety of his 50+ year career, bowling with and against some of the best in the state.

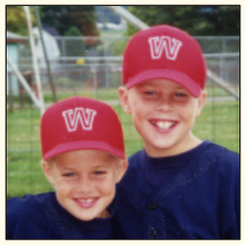
Craig S. Zirbel













Born: December 27, 1957

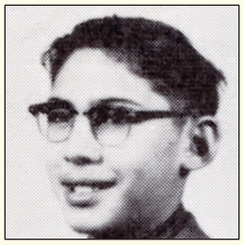
Craig Zirbel's all-around athleticism and competitive nature translated well to a successful bowling career. He earned ten letters at Waunakee High School and was six time All-Conference. He played baseball for the University of Wisconsin from 1977-1981 where he was team MVP his senior year, batting .408 and earning All Big Ten honors. His 31 game hitting streak remains the longest in Badger history. In 1981 Zirbel earned a Special Achievement award from the Madison Sports Hall of Fame Club.

On the lanes, Zirbel won three MBA Championship Tournament titles, most notably leading the Whitey's #2 team with an 804 series in 1985. He won a doubles title two years prior and another team title in 1991. Through the 1990's he threw eight perfect games and had another supernational - an 813 - also in tournament play.

Following a hiatus from bowling to focus on raising his family, Zirbel returned to the lanes in 2005 and has averaged over 220 for the past 10 years, added four more perfect games and high championship tournament finishes to his resume.

John A. Bisco










Born: October 12, 1948

Organized bowling is supported by countless, often unheralded, people who sacrifice a great deal of time and energy working as coaches, league secretaries, tournament directors, and association officials. They ensure a positive bowling experience and a future for the sport of bowling. Sometimes, an individual works in every capacity possible.

John Bisco has found a way to serve bowling for decades. He has been an MBA director and treasurer for over 20 years. He was the lead coordinator for two Wisconsin State Bowling Association tournaments, the largest state tournament in the country. He has been the secretary of multiple bowling leagues for as much as 32 years. He coached youth bowlers. He directs the Dream Lanes Team Tournament. He has written computer software for leagues and tournaments.

What makes someone want to help so much? In his words, "Working behind the scenes in bowling is just as much fun as bowling itself." It takes a very special individual to feel that way and to serve that much. And to John Bisco, the association and its members owe a lifetime of thanks for the years of dedication.

Robert A. Frambs













Born: September 17, 1941

Bob Frambs has made significant contribution to the sport of bowling, our association, and our bowlers through his 30+ years of service as a member of the Madison Bowling Association.

Frambs is primarily regarded for his 21 years as the Dream Lanes Junior Bowling Program Director, serving from 1985 to 2006. In addition to running that program, he conducted numerous youth tournament in-house qualifiers. He served as the Madison Area Junior Bowling Association Audit Director from 1997 to 2007, and on the MAJBA board from 1999 to 2005.

He was an MBA Director from 1997 to 2005, and began work on the Audit Committee in 1998. He concluded his board service as the MBA Vice-President, and remains active as the Audit Committee chairperson.

Frambs has served as a league officer, volunteer at charitable fundraisers, and even still serves as the bowling director and Vice-President of the Wisconsin Senior Games.

While he has been an active bowler and competitor for nearly 50 years in leagues and tournaments, it's the leadership, mentorship, and volunteerism Bob Frambs has given to bowling that defines his impact.

Richard R. Thomas













Born: October 11, 1970

Rick Thomas fell in love with bowling in the youth leagues at Middleton Sport Bowl. While bowling collegiately, the Vincennes University graduate developed his signature smooth and powerful physical game.

His foray into scratch bowling began in the Storm Masters league as his knowledge of the game grew exponentially. Over his career, Thomas parlayed his skill and experience into three City Tournament titles and 10 top ten finishes. He has won a dozen Madison Area Scratch Tour championships with another 11 second place finishes. He owns a Wisconsin State doubles title, and has been a Henry Hitter champion.

Thomas holds the record for high average in the association at 252 in the 2011-12 season and has been the high association average bowler a number of times. In addition, he has been the Jim Grady Bowler of the Year twice, in 2008-09 and 2011-12. To date, he has thrown 37 perfect games and 34 800 series'.

While a superlative bowler with numerous accolades, Thomas has also been a good friend, a good teammate, and someone who loves bowling just a little more for the camaraderie than the competition.

Hall of Fame

The Madison USBC Bowling Association Hall of Fame is dedicated to the recognition of the outstanding bowlers and dedicated servants of the Madison area who through their competitive skills, high personal standards and dedicated principles have enriched the general welfare, spirit, reputation and progress of the sport of tenpin bowling.

Distinguished Performance

An individual should have established a documented record of outstanding performance in the sport of bowling. Some portion of the candidate's record must have been established as a member of the Madison USBC Bowling Association. Achievements might include but are not be limited to local, state, or national tournament championships; multiple years of awards recognition in high score categories, etc. The most important criteria will be performance above and beyond the ordinary.

Meritorious Service

An individual should have demonstrated service, devotion, ideas and ideals, contributions, or milestone achievements above and beyond the ordinary to the sport of bowling, and outside the framework of competitive bowling. Some portion of the candidate's service must have been established as a member of the Madison USBC Bowling Association.

Veterans

Individuals, at least 55 years of age, whose achievements and/or service to the sport of bowling and to the local, state, or national membership services organizations may have been diminished simply due to the passage of time or overshadowed by more contemporary performers or performances.

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For providing space for the public display of the Madison USBC Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

The Schwoegler Family
For their support of the Jim Grady Bowler of the Year Award.

Friends of Dan Mack
For their support of the Dan Mack Senior Bowler of the Year Award.

Dave and Zeena Engelke
For perpetuating gifts to the Fred G. Engelke Scholarship Fund.

All-City Teams

All-City First Team

Jim Grady Bowler of the Year
Derek Eoff

Eoff won his third MBA Masters this season. In the City Tournament, he was third in doubles, sixth in singles, and sixth in all events. He placed 35th in State all events. Eoff made six of seven cuts on the MAST, winning three events at Prairie Lanes, Spartan Bowl, and Middleton Sport Bowl. He was second in two more at Ten Pin Alley and the Year End Championship, averaging 233 over 45 games. Eoff led the MAST earnings list. At the USBC Open Championships, he placed 34th in the team event, 25th in doubles, and 51st in All Events with 1997. In league play, he was second high average in the Bullseye Masters league with 224. He threw five perfect games and four 800 series with a high of 848. His standard league average was 242 over 39 games at Waun-A-Bowl.

Mike Hoffman

Hoffman won the State all events title this season with 2270 and placed 33rd in singles, throwing a 300 game in the process. In the city tournament, he placed fourth in doubles and 15th in all events. He won the M&J Points Race in the MAST, making six of 12 cuts. He won at Viking Lanes and was second at Spartan Bowl, ending up third on the earnings list and sixth on the average list. In league he threw a pair of 800 series, and had a 300 game in the Bullseye Masters league where he averaged 222. His high standard average was 232 at Middleton Sport Bowl.

Chris Gibbons

Gibbons was on the first place scratch team in the City Tournament, and was 22nd in all events. In the Masters he qualified 2nd and placed 3rd. He shot 2169 at the state tournament, good for 3rd place overall. Gibbons was five for nine in MAST cuts and led the tour in average with 219 over 43 games. He averaged 223 in the Bullseye Masters league. He booked three averages over 230 in standard leagues, with a high of 235 at Schwoegler E.C.

Eric Shelby

Shelby was a dual titlist in the City Tournament this year, and placed in the top 10 in every event. He won all events with a 2236 and won the team event, leading the Where's Rory team with a 774. He placed 7th in singles and 9th in doubles. He had one 300 game this season in the 5th Quarter Scratch Doubles league at Ten Pin Alley where he averaged 229.

Brent Ritchie

Ritchie won a City Tournament doubles title this year, and placed seventh in all events. He was third on the MAST average list with 217 over 56 games and third in the M&J Points Race. He made six of eleven cuts, finishing as high as second at Rock River Lanes. In league play, he rolled a pair of 800 series and had one 300 game. He booked averages of 234, 233, and 226 in standard leagues and 211 in the Bullseye Masters.

All-City Second Team

Gail Myers

Myers placed 2nd in all events, 3rd in doubles, and 3rd overall in singles in the City Tournament. He was 8th placein the MBA Masters. He made four of six cuts in MAST events. At the USBC Open Championships, he was 51st in all events and 28th in team. He booked an average of 210 in the Bullseye Masters league.

Doug Leikness

Leikness won the State Tournament singles title with a 795 series, including a 300 game. He placed 24th in all events in the City Tournament. Leikness average 226 in regular league play, and 207 in the Bullseye Masters league.

Jordan Zirbel

Zirbel earned his first City Tournament title, shooting 759 in singles. He had a 300 game in the West Towne Sportsmen league at Schwoegler's where he averaged 214.

Chris Pollentier

Pollentier won a doubles title at the City tournament this season, contributing 780 to the 1537 score. He finished 14th in all events with 2028. He finished in 10th place at the MBA Masters. Pollentier averaged 203 in the Bullseye Masters league.

Curt Crubaugh

Crubaugh had three top 10 finishes in the City Tournament, a fifth place team, 10th place doubles, and fourth place all events with 2112. In league play, he had one 300 game in the Hangover league at Ten Pin Alley where he averaged 232

All-City Teams

All City Senior Team

Dan Mack Senior Bowler of the Year
Jim Fosdick

Fosdick was the MBA Composite Average leader with a 233.79 over 709 league games between Dream Lanes and Village Lanes. In the Senior City Tournament, he placed 2nd in team, 3rd in all events, 4th in singles, and 8th in doubles. In the City Tournament, he placed 8th in doubles and 25th in singles. At Senior State, Fosdick was 29th in doubles and 49th in all events. He came in 2nd place in a MAST Doubles tournament at Middleton Sport Bowl. In league play, Fosdick threw seven perfect games and five 800 series booking a high average of 237 in two of his eight leagues.

Bob Richardson

Richardson finished his season with four perfect games and two 800 series in leagues where he averaged 235, 232, and 228. In the City Tournament, he was 6th in doubles, 10th in all events, and 24th in singles. He was 8th in all events in the Senior City Tournament. At Senior State, he placed 2nd in doubles and 16th in all events.

Jeff Richgels

Richgels won his second MBA Senior Masters this season. He also won the MAST Year End Championship at Leisure Lanes. He placed 22nd in doubles at the USBC Open Championships and 28th in the team event. Richgels led the Bullseye Masters league with a 224 average.

Dave Massey

Massey was the Senior City all events titlist with 2175. He also was 10th in all events at the City Tournament, and 5th in singles. At Senior State, he placed 29th in doubles and 27th in singles. Massey shot one 800 series this year in the Monona Home Talent tournament. His high average this season was 222.

Marc McDowell

McDowell was the lead qualifier in the MBA Masters and ended up in 2nd place. In the Senior Masters, he qualified 4th and finished in 3rd place. He placed 20th in all events in the City Tournament. In the Senior City Tournament, he was 2nd in all events, 6th in singles, and 4th in team. Marc finished 52nd in doubles at the State Tournament. At the USBC Open Championships, he was on the 28th place team.

Association Manager All-City Team

Ryan Anderson

Anderson fired an 810 series at the State Tournament this year. In the City Tournament, he was 15th in all events with 2023. Anderson average 214 in the NFL league.

Matt Hamen

Hamen recorded two top tens in the City Tournament with a 5th place in singles and 8th place with 2051 in all events. He bowled one 300 game at Prairie Lanes where he averaged 215 and 214.

Jeff Barsness

Barsness was on 1st, 5th and 10th place teams in the Senior City tournament. At Senior State, he was second place in doubles and 18th in all events. He tossed one 300 game in the Senior Masters league at Bowl-A-Vard Lanes, and booked a high average of 229 in the Lions league at Middleton Sport Bowl.

Matt Krueger

Krueger placed 5th in the MBA Masters this season. He also shot a 300 game in the Dream Lanes Major league, where he averaged 234. He threw an 800 series in the Bullseye Masters league, averaging 213 there.

Rick Thomas

The 2016 MBA Hall of Fame inductee for Distinguished Performance was the single league high average bowler for the season with a 240.61 in the Lions league at Middleton Sport Bowl.

Honorable Mentions

Rick Erce

Erce was on the 2nd place team in the Senior City tournament, and placed 7th in all events. He was on the 3rd place team in the City Tournament. In the Senior Masters, he led qualifying and placed 2nd. Erce rolled a 300 game in the MBA masters, and had one 800 series this season. He booked a high average of 225.

Jim Ring

Ring was the Senior Tournament singles titlist with a 769 series, 14th in all events, and 10th in team. At the USBC Open Championships, he had a 704 series in singles to place 130th. Ring averaged 211 in the Bullseye Masters league.