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## This Pro Bowler Rolled a 100 Nine Years Ago and Showed He's a Winner

by Fred Eisenhammer

Not too long ago, a bowler in a Los Angeles-area league got frustrated over a shot that he felt deserved a better result.

"Frustrated" may be putting it mildly.

After leaving the dreaded 7-10 split, this player picked up two bowling balls – one in each hand – and slung them one after another at the two pins as his fellow bowlers looked on in astonishment.

His first shot landed safely in the gutter and his second shot crashed into the sweep bar – fortunately bouncing off and causing no damage.

This show of disrespect for the game happens more often than people realize as anger takes hold – especially during the course of league play when end-of-the-season payouts serve as incentive to bowl consistently above one's average.



Tom Daugherty

League players also have been known to bounce their bowling balls off the floor when their shots misfire – often triggering a scary boom reverberating around the bowling center.

These disenchanted league players could learn a lesson from professional bowler Tom Daugherty after he finished with an eye-popping score of 100 during a big-money event.

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## Bowlers Journal Names Jason Belmonte Player of Decade Colie Edison Named 2019 Person of Year

Bowlers Journal International magazine has selected Australia's Jason Belmonte as its Male Bowler of the Decade for the 2010s and new PBA CEO Colie Edison as its 2019 Person of the Year.

In what was arguably the most dominant decade by a bowler in PBA history, Belmonte set a number of records, including winning 11 major championships including four USBC Masters titles (three of those in a row). He won 21 of his 22 career titles in the 2010s, earned PBA Player of the Year honors five times and joined the PBA "Millionaire's Club" in a record-shattering 131 tournaments.

But maybe Belmonte's most impressive feat was establishing the two-handed delivery as a dominant



Bowlers Journal Bowler of the Decade Jason Belmonte

technique that has been mimicked by thousands of young bowlers in the wake of his success.

Edison rose to prominence in the bowling world when Bowlero Corp purchased the PBA in September, and the Bowlero Chief Customer Officer was named PBA CEO. Within two months of becoming the first woman to hold the

PBA's top executive position, Edison won the favor of PBA players and fans by announcing the 2020 Go Bowling PBA Tour would receive a nearly \$500,000 boost in prize money, including \$100,000 first prize checks for winners of the 2020 PBA Tournament of Champions, PBA World Championship and PBA Playoffs.



Colie Edison

## Costa Rica's "Torneo La Raza"

by Frank Weiler

SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA – A New Year usually means new beginnings. A New Year usually means new adventures, new challenges and new accomplishments. A New Year usually means everything is new again. While this is true for most, for Bridjette Whaley and Joseph De La Torre this New Year will mean everything is new

again except for one big event, an event that was the highlight of their 2019. An event that will probably be the highlight of their 2020. That event is the "Torneo La Raza".

The Torneo La Raza is an annual International Bowling Tournament which usually plays host to some of the best bowlers in the world. In the past the

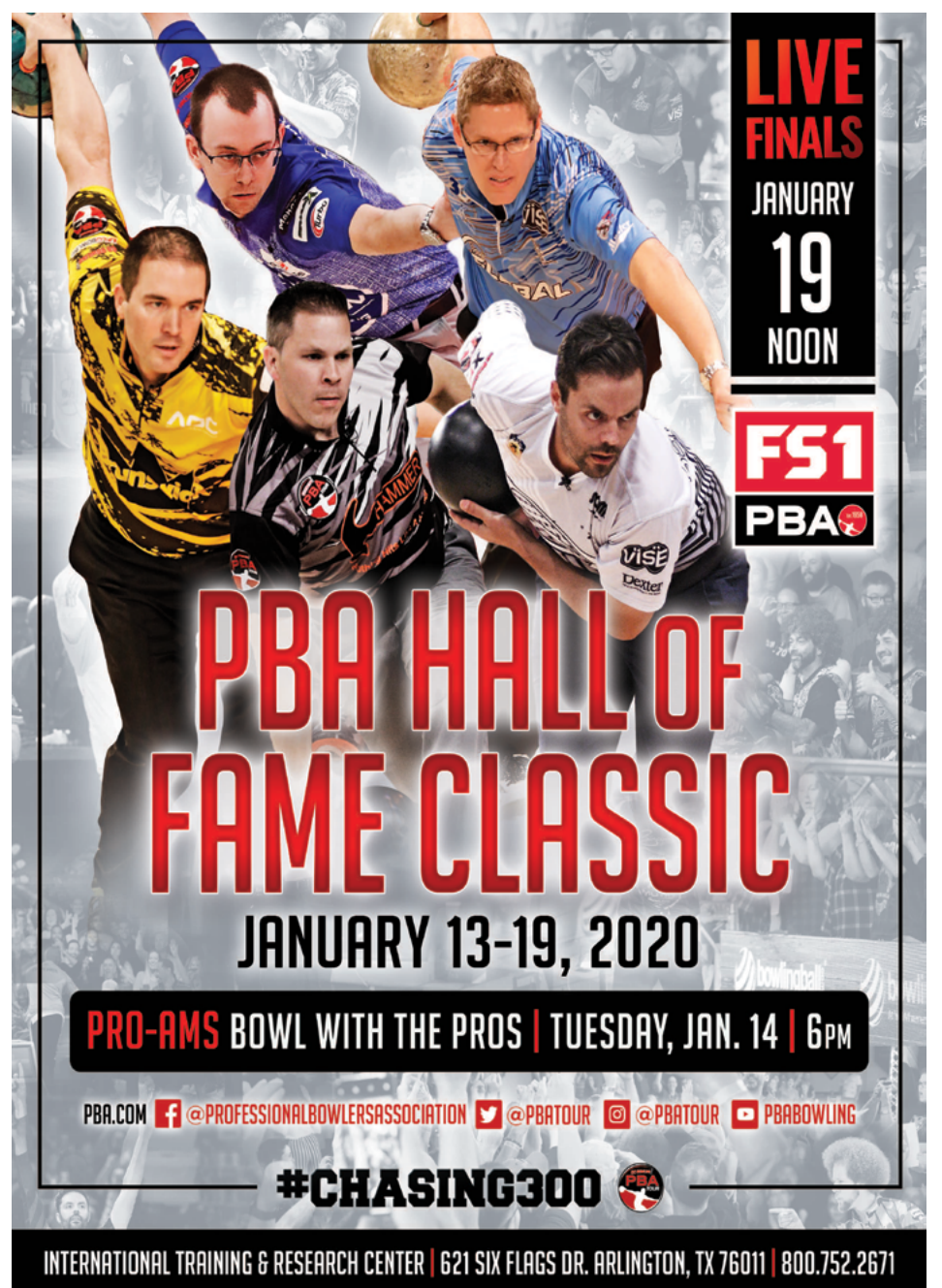
Torneo La Raza has hosted some of the top PBA and PWBA bowlers. Stars like Josh Blanchard, Missy Parkin, Maria Jose Rodriguez, Anthony Simonsen, Paula Vidad and Walter Ray Williams Jr. have competed and scored in the tournament. All Bowlers, including the top bowlers in the world, like to travel and experience new people, new cultures and new cuisines while still having the opportunity to score for dollars. That's what the Torneo La Raza is all about.

Bridjette and Joseph travelled about 20,000 miles in 2019 to compete in Bowling tournaments. Their favorite event was the 41st Annual Torneo La Raza in October. They told me the best part of competing in the Torneo La Raza was the experience. The local Costa Rican people, the country's history, the sites, and the cuisine are unique and tantalizing. If anyone wants to make memories that last a lifetime and create a Bucket List Moment they should compete in

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Bridjette Whaley & Joseph De La Torre



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## PBA PLAYER'S PERSPECTIVE RETURNS WITH KRIS PRATHER INTERVIEW ON JAN. 7

The PBA Player’s Perspective interview series, featuring PBA title winners reflecting on their victories, will return to YouTube in early January when Kris Prather will chat about winning his first PBA Tour title in the 2019 PBA Scorpion Championship during World Series of Bowling X. The Prather perspective will debut on Tuesday, Jan. 7.

To view all of the PBA Player’s Perspective episodes, visit the PBA’s YouTube channel and click on the PBA Player’s Perspective play list. The weekly series includes a new perspective released every Tuesday on the PBA’s YouTube channel. The following players will provide personal play-by-play reflections in the weeks ahead:

- Jan. 14 – Bill O’Neill talks about his victory in the 2019 PBA Hall of Fame Classic, a win that made him title-eligible for PBA Hall of Fame consideration in the future.
- Jan. 21 – Jakob Butturff made the PBA Oklahoma Open a part of his “career year.” He’ll share insights about his 2019 win in Shawnee, Okla.
- Jan. 28 – Sean Rash will take a look into his past, revealing what he experienced in winning the 2012 PBA Tournament of Champions in Las Vegas.

Player’s Perspectives currently in the archives on YouTube include:

- Norm Duke’s stunning 2011 U.S. Open win (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pQ0cGzRfnBk>).
- Kris Prather’s historic PBA Playoffs victory (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hISjw3KmGCK>).
- Anthony Simonsen’s win in the 2019 Bear Open (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tt2k25WKNzQ>).
- Sean Rash’s 2019 Wolf Open title (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2GNxO2WdaZo>).
- EJ Tackett’s Barbasol PBA Tour Finals victory (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wVuLOuU8btQ>).
- Bill O’Neill’s 2019 Harry O’Neale Chesapeake Open win (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xSwE3YYFjso>).
- Jason Belmonte’s historic 11th major title victory in the 2019 PBA World Championship (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q4QqbkrPirM>).
- Jakob Butturff’s 2019 USBC Masters win (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-cuYcXxfXXs>).
- EJ Tackett’s 2017 DHC PBA Japan Invitational victory (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=91yoFd7nd8g>).


Fans can follow all of the latest video clips and more by enrolling as a subscriber to PBA’s YouTube channel. It’s easy and it’s free. Visit [YouTube.com/PBABowling](https://www.youtube.com/PBABowling) and click on the “subscribe” button.

## PBA REGIONAL UPDATE: 2020 SEASON BEGINS WITH TWO EVENTS JAN. 17-19

The 2020 PBA Regional season gets underway over the Jan. 17-19 weekend with tournaments in North Carolina and California for PBA50 competitors. Westview Lanes in Wilson, N.C., will host the PBA50 Richie’s Automotive South Open and Tracy Bowl in Tracy, Calif., will host the PBA50 Patton Amusement West Regional.

- Scheduled for Jan. 29-30 is the PBA Japan Region’s Ikkyo Cup Wolf Open at Ikkyo Bowl Inzai in Inzai, Japan.
- The PBA Central Region kicks off its 2020 schedule over the Jan. 31-Feb. 2 weekend with the PBA/PBA50 Don Vay Memorial Doubles Classic at Legend Lanes in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.
- For complete PBA Regional schedules including rules and entry information, visit [pba.com](https://pba.com), open the “schedules” tab and click on PBA Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area. Whether you are a competitor or a fan, you can follow “live scoring” for all PBA Regional events on [pba.com](https://pba.com)
- Jason Belmonte has announced he will donate \$50 for every strike he throws on television in 2020 - \$100 for strikes in championship matches – to Red Cross in Australia in the wake of the catastrophic wildfires affecting his home country. “I intend to strike a lot,” Belmonte noted.

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by Bette Addington

**BOWLING CALENDAR**  
**January**

11 – CBT Surf Bowl Party, 10/12/2, Oceanside, 661/418-8007, [cbtbowling.com](https://cbtbowling.com)  
11 – XFrame 2020 New Year Event, 2/4/6, Oaktree Lanes, Diamond Bar, 909/702-3369  
11 – Silver Foxes Doubles Tournament, 10:30am check-in; bowl at 12, Rodeo Lanes, Clovis, 559/381-0356  
11 – Central Solano USBC Women’s City Champ., 11:30am, Stars Recreation Center, Vacaville, 707/448-4368  
11-24 – CUSBC State Pepsi Youth League Level Qualifying Window, [calusbc.com](https://calusbc.com)  
12 – Scratch 6 Gamer, 12 noon, Yosemite Lanes, Modesto, 209/524-9161  
12 – Limited Scratch Doubles, 9am, Albany Bowl, Albany, Dupree Dickey or DJ Mertz  
12 – JAT Adult/Member Doubles, 9am, Cal Bowl, Lakewood, [bowljat.org](https://bowljat.org)  
12 – NCJET, 10am, West Valley Bowl, Tracy, [norcaljrelitetour@gmail.com](mailto:norcaljrelitetour@gmail.com)  
14-19 – PBA Hall of Fame Classic, ITRC, Arlington, TX, [pba.com](https://pba.com)  
15 – CUSBC State Award Nominations due, [calusbc.com](https://calusbc.com)  
17-19 – PBA50 Patton Amusement West Sr. Regional, Tracy, [pba.com](https://pba.com)  
18 – Valentine & LeForbes 645 Anchor Girl Trios Handicap Tourn., 9am, & 1pm, Foothill Lanes, Fontana, [cubsfan2874@gmail.com](mailto:cubsfan2874@gmail.com)  
18 – Gold Pin Scratch 6 Gamer, 1pm, Earl Anthony Dublin Bowl, 925/828-7550  
18 – SouthPoint Showdown, 7:30pm, SouthPoint, Las Vegas, 702/292-1453  
18 – Adult/Senior VIP Doubles Tourn., Riverside Lanes, Laughlin, 1/909/628-3966  
18-19 – Youth Sports USA Bowling Regional, Cloverleaf Family Bowl, Fremont, 800/514-2695 x8426, [tournaments@ibcyouth.com](mailto:tournaments@ibcyouth.com)  
18-19 – Collegiate Bowling, Kegel/ISBPA Midwest Collegiate Classic, Addison, ILL, BowlTV  
19 – 11th Laughlin Blast Sr. No-Tap Doubles Handicap Tourn., Riverside Lanes, Laughlin, 619/251-9660  
19 – 7th Tony Reyes Memorial Adult-Youth Doubles Tourn., 10am & 1pm, 4th Street Bowl, San Jose, 408/453-5555  
19 – CBT BTB Doubles and Singles, Bowlium Lanes, Montclair, 661/418-8007, [cbtbowling.com](https://cbtbowling.com)  
19 – JAT Adult/Member Doubles, 9am, Cal Bowl, Lakewood, [bowljat.org](https://bowljat.org)  
19 – PBA Hall of Fame Classic from Arlington, TX, 10am on FS1  
19-25 – 63rd Military Bowling Championships, South Point, Las Vegas, 800/257-6179, [high-roller.com](https://high-roller.com)  
25 – CBT Lights, Camera, Action, 10/12/2, Action Lanes, El Monte, 661/418-8007, [cbtbowling.com](https://cbtbowling.com)  
26 – Central Valley Masters Doubles Tournament, 9am & 1pm, AMF Southwest Lanes, Bakersfield, [www.centralvalleymasters.com](https://www.centralvalleymasters.com)  
26 – San Joaquin Bowling Club Crossover Doubles, 10am, Freeway Lanes, Selma, 559/385-8837  
26 – Tulare Co. USBC Visalia Masters, 11am, Bowlero Visalia Lanes, 559/827-3284  
26 – The Superb Owl Championship/Football Themed Bowling Tourn., 1pm, Bowlero No. Sacramento/AMF Mardi Gras Lanes, 916/521-3524  
26 – HammerPins Handicap Alibi Doubles, 11am, AMF Orchard Lanes, Chico, 530/895-3257, [hammerpins.net](https://hammerpins.net)  
27-2 – 20th Anniv. TAT Amateur Nationals, The Orleans, Las Vegas, 1/844/321-8100, [info@tatbowl.com](mailto:info@tatbowl.com)  
31 – Advanced entry deadline for 15th CUSBC 2020 Youth Championships (7/11-12, 7/18-19 & 7/25-26), Forest Lanes, Lake Forest, [calusbc.com](https://calusbc.com)

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# A Christmas Mazey Miracle

by Dave Williams

Over the past 35 years I've always looked forward to the Christmas holiday, not only to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, but also to reflect upon the joy and blessings that this unique holiday brings to just about everyone in the USA. It's also a time to carry on with my custom of creating a unique one of a kind Christmas cards, in the tradition that began with an AMF marketing genius named John Mazey.

Every year Mr. Mazey would come up with a distinctive holiday card, sometimes quirky or peculiar, but always completely different from previous years and in a class by itself. I have carried on this unwritten passage of Mr. Mazey's for the past 35 years, often resorting to just a color variation or type-face change. In other years I succumbed to time and monetary constraints and sent out extras (of which I have many!) from previous years.



MAZEY MEMORIALIZED - 35 years of memories are displayed in this cornucopia of homemade Christmas Cards.

When I arrived on the scene at AMF Headquarters in 1982, John was one of the first executives that took a shine to me and my knowledge of bowling, which was lacking among the brain trust inside the ivy-covered hallowed halls along the Jericho Turnpike in Westbury, New York. Not long after I secured an efficiency apartment inside a home in North Massapequa, John put me to work on nights and weekends, whenever I was not traveling as part of the AMF Bowling Centers management team.

Our adventures took us to an old converted factory in Queens, or to a film designer's basement in Bethpage, or even to the residence of a famous New York City advertising agency executive in the heart of Manhattan. I learned from these sessions that just about any effect could be realized by utilizing a solid colored background or green screen.

One of my favorite examples of this took place at an old pencil factory in Brooklyn that had been abandoned since the 1960's. John and I arranged to meet with the filming crew on the fifth floor of the factory, and came only with a red 10 pound AMF Strikeline Bowling Ball that had been drilled for me with a conventional grip.

Like most of my "Mazey adventures," I had virtually no idea what the topic of the commercial was to be until we arrived on the set. In this particular instance, I was to replicate the approach of a bowler releasing a ball towards the pins. But aside from a wooden floor, my bowling shoes and the red bowling ball, there was no other resemblance to a bowling center! Now it is well documented that I have had my share of run-ins with film producers, and this day was no different. My attire consisted of a red Angle Winning-Wear Shirt with blue trousers to match the contrasting blue inner collar of the shirt. The producer decided that this was not the desired look, so he began asking for gray trousers to complete my ensemble. One of the stagehands came forward with his own trousers, a 32-inch waist, by 30-inch length.


For as long as I can remember, dating back to about age 13, my waist had always been 34, with a 32-inch length. But to appease the director, I somehow managed to fasten the waist band and we were ready for the filming to begin. That's when things really got interesting! Rather than using a standard filming procedure, the producer wanted to provide a stroboscopic effect that would create a series of short samples for a magazine layout.

"Here's all that you have to do," the film director said, as I held in my tummy and took small sips of air. "Each time that you see the light flash and hear a click, move slightly forward with your approach." Now it became apparent why Mr. Mazey had the foresight to have me drill a 10-pound bowling ball!

Thankfully the producer didn't ask me to swing the ball higher in my approach, and instead was more interested in the circular motion created by the ball in the first couple of steps. Until this day, I never understood what walking past the ball in your approach meant, but in slow motion it made perfect sense. The series was never used until AMF moved to Richmond, Virginia, and a new advertising agency dug it out of the mothballs and utilized the unique strobe light approach to introduce HPL 9000 Lanes by AMF. If you look closely at my face after releasing the ball, you will see that I'm actually grimacing in pain! But looking back on it almost thirty-five years later, it's one of my fondest memories of the association that I developed with one of the brightest minds in advertising at AMF.


Here's to you, John! Another year, and another Christmas card, in the Mazey Miracle Tradition!

(John Mazey died in 1997, at the age of 73. He is survived by his wife Diane, age 97, of Syosset, New York)




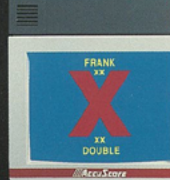
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# TOMMY JONES WINS BOWLERO ELITE SERIES FOR \$100,000 PAYDAY

Nineteen-time PBA Tour champion Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C., who will be inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in Arlington, Texas, on Jan. 18, defeated Bowlero league bowler Garrett Shovan of Denver, Colo., 266-200, to win the \$100,000 first prize in the final Bowlero Elite Series tournament of 2019 at Bowlero Jupiter in Florida to conclude the season.

Jones, 41, defeated 2019 PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte, 279-216, to win the professional side of the pro-am bracket and advance to the championship match where he equaled the largest payday of his career, matching the \$100,000 he collected for winning the 2006 U.S. Open.

Shovan, a pro shop operator and former Saginaw Valley State collegiate bowler, won the right to bowl against Jones by winning the league bowler side of the 16-player invitational field. He defeated Chicago's Luis Gonzalez, 236-202, in the amateur bracket final match. Shovan won \$25,000 as runner-up.

The third event in the Bowlero Elite Series aired Sunday on NBC. Other PBA stars who were invited to participate in the special event were Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash.; Anthony Simonsen of Little Elm, Texas; Kyle Troup of Taylorsville, N.C.; and Kyle Sherman of O'Fallon, Mo. You can watch the competition on PBA's YouTube channel: <https://youtu.be/1OV3B0-nij0>.



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# 1994 – PART 1

by Carol Mancini

**Opening up the big black book containing the 1994 issues is like opening the door in the “Wizard of Oz” movie. You know there is bowling history on every page. There are pictures, stories, friends, facts and figures — week after week. Join me in the journey.**

- Front page picture was **CAL BOWL**’s GM Jon Shoutla presenting Paul Varela with an entry into the AC Delco Classic. **CAL BOWL** was a favorite spot for the Seniors on tour.
- Always a surprise to see the headline “It’s time for a Kwikel!” The 1993 Doubles version was held at **BUENA LANES** in Ventura.
- There were 18 ads for Christmas Club leagues (started in January, and paid off the first week of December, just in time for Christmas shopping!) was in the first issue of the year. It was a great way to save up the bucks for 11 months and be handed cash in December.
- Results of the **FRESNO** Championships took up two whole pages in very small type. There were 133 places in men’s singles, 114 in women’s singles plus team events, doubles and all events. All compiled without computers.
- The San Gabriel W.B.A. ad for the 42nd Championship Tournament listed the 13 centers that had entry forms. As of 2019 there were only five of those centers left. At one time they had 23!
- Dan Mueller was the “head master” at **BUENA LANES**. He ran a tight ship, but, you always felt welcome when he greeted you. His center was clean, employees helpful and he always had something new cooking. Thanks Dan for your years!
- I’m not listing all the 300s! There wouldn’t be room for anything else. You know you did it!
- 1993 Player of the Year: Walter Ray Williams, Jr.
- Senior Player of the Year: Gary Dickinson.
- A total of 696 members voted.
- Mark Baker won his 12th PCB title at **MENIFEE BOWL**. Other cashers? Remember — Mike DeVaney, Larry Stephens, Lee Taylor, Doug Kempt, Gip Lentine, Dan Chovan, Eric Forkel. The best on the lanes. Lots of stories to remember.
- Remember when **CANOGA PARK BOWL** was renamed **WINNETKA BOWL**? Ask Mike what a job that was!
- New slogan: “A ball for every condition.” Strange thing. The more 300 games and easier conditions, the fewer sanctioned bowlers. Go figure!
- President Clinton was given a ball, bag, shoes and an ABC Lifetime membership by the ABC in Milwaukee.
- Norm Duke was crowned King at **CAL BOWL**. His AC Delco win produced a nice payday. First place: \$44,000 for defeating Robert Smith. \$10,000 from Columbia 300, and \$5,000 for wearing a Columbia 300 shirt. Both Duke and Smith were using the new Piranha ball by Columbia 300.
- Wheelchair bowler Al Uttecht won the “chair” competition at **CAL BOWL** Pro Tour.
- Bill Taylor wrote a book title “SSC is Bowling’s Cancer.” SSC equals “Super Soft Conditions.” And, the problems created. He was lucky not to get lynched. His later vindication was sweet.
- The San Fernando W.B.A. cancelled their city tournament due to damage in the centers.
- After the earthquake, Tom Cristi at **SPORTS CENTER** ran a full-page “Shake, Rattle and Bowl” ad. Always a thinker (his desk was always clean). I took the hint!
- Page after page was filled with pictures of earthquake damage. Most was fallen ceilings. A heartbreaker. Thank goodness no one was in the centers at 4:30 a.m.
- The movie “Greedy” with Michael J. Fox was released in March.
- New manager at **MISSILE BOWL**, Henry Murdock. **MISSION**’s new leader Tracy Murphy.
- Valentine greeting was popular. For only \$20, your favorite person could see special greetings in the Bowling News. “Girl Watcher” sent greetings to all the gals who wore the new short skirts.
- **BOWLERLAND** headline “Got Time for a Nooner?” The “nooner” was a three-game no-tap tournament. Coffee and cookies included. A safe, fun, indoor sport to be enjoyed by all.
- **FOREST LANES**’ current (2020) manager Jon Diso rolled a 300 in the J.A.T.
- April Stogryn was the first woman to rack up a 300 at **PALOS VERDES BOWL**.
- **SANTA FE LANES** manager Bud Horn welcomed the PWSBT. His many friends from Southern California signed up early.
- Must mention — big night for Kurt Osterheldt at **CORBIN BOWL**. Heart attack time! How about 299, 245, 299 for an 843!
- The Macho Mule ball carrier had spaces for 12 — TWELVE — 12 balls!
- Junior leagues at **KEYSTONE LANES** received tickets to Disneyland in lieu of trophies.
- Bob Knipple “checked” his check for winning the WCST at **KEYSTONE LANES**. He had plans to join the PBA Senior Tour. He won the 1973 PBA Kansas City Open, a \$17,000 check.
- High Roller win-a-spots were the hot item to shoe up for. Seven centers had one in Feb. ‘94. Ask anyone who ever bowled a High Roller about it. Ain’t easy!
- Dennis Bowan won the **GRANT CLASSIC** and cashed in for \$10,000. Corey Groth won the Scratch Division for \$1,600. There were 1,709 entries.
- Harry’s report took up four pages!
- Men’s State Tournament at **OAK TREE LANES** hosted 12,000 bowlers for team event. **CHAPARRAL LANES** hosted Doubles and Singles.
- The **SHOWBOAT** had hosted the PBA for 35 years. Chris Schenkel was the host.
- Reed Freeman resigned as manager of **CONEJO VILLAGE BOWL** to become a Field Consultant — still in the bowling field. He claimed every center was different and should offer a variety of leagues, tournaments, food, etc.
- Due to the earthquake, Rusty was forced to move his Pro Shop from **MATADOR BOWL** to **MISSION HILLS BOWL**.
- The first two months of 1994 was all about shake, rattle and bowl.

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Showing grace and good humor during his semifinal match of the Professional Bowlers Assn. Tournament of Champions exactly nine years ago, Daugherty had the crowd eating out of his hand at the end.

Splits on frames one, three, five, six, eight, nine and 10 would have had lesser people kicking the ball return. Instead, the right-handed Daugherty kept chucking his ball down the lanes the best he could, hoping his string of misery would end – at some point. It never did.

But the unshakeable Daugherty celebrated when he knocked down two pins of his 4-6-7-10 split on his last shot to allow him to reach an even 100. And the fans celebrated with him, as he traded high-fives with much of the gathering with a big smile on his face.

And speaking of money, the Tournament of Champions winner that year earned a \$250,000 bonanza, so Daugherty missed out on a spectacular payoff.

Mika Koivuniemi defeated Daugherty, 299-100, in that semifinal match. Koivuniemi went on to win the Tournament of Champions title. (Daugherty still won \$50,000 for finishing third.) It's worth watching the video of the Koivuniemi-Daugherty match online to see how someone can handle big-time adversity – without testily dribbling his bowling ball off the floor.

After watching the match, one can conclude that Koivuniemi was not the only winner in that tournament.

Postscript: In 2019, Daugherty finished second in Gene Carter's Pro Shop Open, losing to Dom Barrett, 217-209, in the title match. In 2016, he won the PBA Wolf Open for his second career PBA Tour title by defeating rookie Francois Lavoie, 212-192, in the championship match.

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the Torneo La Raza. The country is home to crocodiles, parrots and rare reptiles. There are ocean beaches, rain forests, mountains and lakes. It is an exotic land which offers every visitor something unique. The Torneo La Raza provides bowlers with an opportunity to experience this unique country while competing for cash and accomplishment. With regards to their bowling results at the Torneo La Raza, both BridJette and Joseph did well. While enjoying their surroundings and immersing themselves in their Costa Rican surroundings they scored high enough to place in the TOP TEN in several events. In the Women's Senior Division BridJette finished fourth in All-Events, Doubles and Team. In the Men's Senior Division Joseph placed second in All-Events and third in Doubles, Singles and Team. He also finished second in the Super Senior Division Singles event. Darn good bowling.

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Miracle or Menace?

by Carol Mancini

Checking the calendar, it is December 26th, 2019. I'm sitting at my desk in a 68 lane center. There are 4 phone lines for incoming calls...and thats exactly whats been going on since 10 a.m. The calls are constant and the questions are all the same. How much for a game? Shoes? Can I reserve a lane for tonight? Can I bring food? Do you have little shoes and balls for little kids? The year is 365 days long, why would anyone decide to go bowling...especially if you've never bowled before? Too expensive to go to Disneyland? Too far to the snow? Saw bowling on T.V?

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# CAL BOWL BOWLING REPORT

by Jonathan Garza

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LAKEWOOD — We're going to start off 2020 with league averages, weekly high scores, league champs, etc. Sit back and soak it all in.

**Fil-Am:** League average: 175. Topping the sheet this week. ... Chris Abing: 744, Matt Mosley: 685, Emmerson Wafer: 683. Carlos Crisostemo: 267, Eugene Angel: 265, Rey Santos: 254. Liza Agoncillo: 639, Beth Austria: 579, Valerie Colian: 551. Emma Trinidad: 222, Beth Colian: 212, Avelina Cumbis/Tess Santos: 193.

**Vegas in May:** League average: 163. Showin' off?? ... Kevin McCall: 769, Jerry Blackshire: 697, Lorenzo Spencer: 635. Garryl Bohanon: 266, Kenneth Johnson/David Bryant: 254. Sierra Nelson: 624, Krischna Howard: 573, Patrice Smith: 496. Jennifer Morrow: 215, Leigh Hall: 214, Linda McCall: 180.

**Laughlin Bowler Bears:** League average: 156. Prowling in the woods. ... James Som: 257, Jonathan Gale: 235/226, Ernie Fisher: 223. Jonathan Gale: 664, Ernie Fisher: 629, James Som: 596. Ashlee Ravaglia: 195/181, Gina Radcliffe: 182/175, Doreen Savolskis: 171. Ashlee Ravaglia: 524, Gina Radcliffe: 505, Robyn Rameib: 466.

**Vegas Crackpots:** League average: 171. Round and round they go — straight for the pocket! ... Anthony Leavell: 296, Ernie Perryman: 269, Ray Jenkins: 265/264. Anthony Leavell: 755, Ray Jenkins: 743, Ernie Perryman: 684. Sophia Owens: 215, Shaonna Battle: 204, Debbie Bitonio: 194. Sophia Owens: 579, Shaonna Battle: 555, Debbie Bitonio: 534.

**Mega Vegas (Sunday):** League average: 172. Sam's Town Lanes will host all Mega Vegas sweeps Jan. 25. ... David Louis: 257, Bob Johnson, Jr./Terrance Allen: 245, Elgie Monge/Carl Burruss: 235. James Matthews: 716, Mel Brown: 670, Jamie Carrington: 655. Jocelyn Higa: 204, Michelle Allen: 179. Nickey Burruss: 504, Lani Morris: 452.

**Young at Heart:** League average: 161. Thump, thump, thump. Is that a heartbeat or a ball rolling over the thumb hole? This week's thumpers were loud and clear! ... Anthony Leavell: 236, Andrew Morton: 235, Fale Sula/Chris Abing: 234. Jimmy Hamilton: 218, Victor Santos: 216, Rey Santos: 213. Lanore Knudson: 213, Carla Dean: 194, Wilma Johnson: 183. Jane Lebaron: 179, Dorothy Ruggiero: 177, Dee Phipps: 174.

**Pin Heads:** League average: 149. No Monday blues. All fun and very few frowns. And, here's why: ... Tom Kornadina: 212, Bill Marseilles: 189, Bruce Brown: 183. Bruce Brown: 175, Chuck Appleberry: 174/171, Damon Flewelen: 174. Ashley Brown: 220, Stacy Kelly: 216, Diane Robles: 210. Diane Robles: 196/192, Pamela Johnson, Stacy Kelly: 192.

**Mega Vegas Lite:** League average: 153. Teams 12 and 13 only have two weeks to secure the No. 1 spot! ... Edward Caldwell: 678, James Matthews: 618, Andy Torres: 551. Don Matthews: 257, Joe Stranges: 220, Darrell Fey: 197. Shonna Hernandez: 557, Lulu Torres: 406. Sandra Cortez: 150, Sarah Zuelke: 127.

**Marcus Lemons' Vegas Outlaws:** League average: 176. One of the higher averaging league, and here's why: ... Greg Thomas: 279, Jello Gray: 258, Austin Karns: 255. Greg Thomas: 746, Jello Gray: 680, Austin Karns: 655. Stacie Watson: 265, Stephanie Jones: 246, Anita Dobbins: 226. Stacie Watson: 658, Stephanie Jones: 564, Anita Dobbins: 543.

**Gobs & Gals:** League average: 191. Probably one of the highest averaging mixed leagues in Southern California! Here's the score-fest from last Friday. ... Scot Maxwell: 737, Juan Camarena: 731, Leo Silva: 699. Vince Duarte: 276, Tres Catalasan: 267, Preston Epps: 259. Stephanie Zavala: 707, Tianna Tipton: 658, Michelle Criswell: 620. Marife Catalasan: 248, Liza Agoncillo: 235, Kelsey Williams: 213.

**Mini Couples:** League average: 157. Friday night; end of the week — start of the fun! Anybody's game and they love it — good or bad. Who REALLY remembers from week to week?? Well, remember this! ... Allan Larios: 629, Ron Ipijan/Danny Peramaki: 603. Edison Galvez: 233, Steve Moeller: 212, Rick Chambers: 187. Emily Burchman: 582, Kathleen Stein: 489, Girlie Huervas: 457. Marilyn Mariano: 181, Gina Bjoralt: 178, Verletta Moeller: 159.

**Grandmas & Grandpas:** League average: 150. We've made it to 2020. Who would've thunk it? We are blessed. Most blessed with those darned lucky strikes! ... Walter Gist: 213, Jim Plante: 202, Walter

Milsap: 195/190. Jim Plante: 540. Walter Milsap: 534. Jim Young: 501. Betty Green: 198, Joanne Burke: 190/179. Eleme VamDeven: 171. Joanne Burke: 523, Betty Green: 505, Elena VanDeven: 476.

**Senior Men's Trios:** League average: 185. Congratulations to Jerry Cant on his 300 game! Stories of the "good ole days" will be these days, one of these days. Great scores make great stories. Once upon a time — ... **Jerry Cant: 300**, Curtis McCann: 279, Joe Acosta: 277. Jerry Cant: 758, Curtis McCann: 749, Emmerson Wafer: 731.

**Mega Vegas (Tuesday):** League average: 153. What, another Mega Vegas league?? Yup, it's the Tuesday edition! This league is 22 teams strong. They will be heavy challengers in Vegas, just like these rollers last week. ... Curtis Claude: 730, Chris Abing: 720, John Woods: 630. David Anthony: 267, Marcel V: 239, Brian Ward: 233. Laura Bietman: 538, Donna May: 512, Joyce Walling: 476. Michelle McGarry: 203, Brenda Doss: 182, Liane Neri: 176.

**Cal Bowleros:** League average: 143. These lassies lasso the pins and send them to the pit. ... Janet Love-Reece: 593, Betty Moss: 481, Patti Steenhoven: 477. Carolyn Rousseau: 244, Cecilia DeJesus: 183, Donna Gillespie: 170.

**Practice League:** League average: 142. Twenty-two teams take to the boards every Tuesday, PLUS they get six FREE practice games during the week. Get better or do it over again. Ask QUESTIONS!! Learn the rules!! Practice spare shooting!! Jesse Ignacio: 623, Dan Martinez: 597, Doug Gaethke: 586. Raymond Perez: 234, Chris Martinez: 231, David Gritchen: 210. Del Stewart: 479, Kristine Kelliher: 417, Rise Stenico: 386. Dede Rains: 174, Lilian Johnson: 152, Cheyenne C: 147.

**C.A.U.L.:** League average: 153. Winners of the fall session by one point was "Two Plus Two." Congratulations to Joe Chu, Brandon Watson, Kurt Haidl and Nori Ito. David Regul shot the lone 300 of the season. Congratulations again to him. The high average in the league was Eli Vega with a 207. Season high scores ... Rich Dahmen: 738, Andy Clark: 718, Frank Rossello: 710. **David Regul: 300**, Blayke Miller: 278. Nori Ito/Eli Vega: 269. Jessica Seastead: 568, Yosemite Hamilton: 515, Teri Friend: 507. Lori Gilmore: 234. Susan Dorwin: 188. Beth Watts: 183.

**Sierra Bugs:** League average: 135. Termites munch on the wood; bowlers bang 'em and bowl some more. Again, again and again. Just like — ... Connie Wood: 197, Janet Simmons: 196, Darlene Waken: 190. Connie Wood: 538, Ann Weiss: 497, Janet Simmons: 491.

**V.A. League:** League average: 144. We salute you! ... Joe Morse: 522, Brian Bacsafra: 437. Donn Cusio: 202, Steve Sinas: 141. Rebecca Kopczak: 390, Terry Girlie: 352. Melissa Steffens: 144.

**Big Bear:** League average: 181. Baddest bear in the house was Sonny Dew: 278-278/768. Bonny bear? Shirley Owens: 199-191/570. Top pin prowlers: ... Jonathan Gale: 267, Emmerson Wafer: 257/245. Jonathan Gale: 704, Emmerson Wafer: 672. Naimah Williams: 225, Michelle Criswell: 212. Carol Egenias: 566, Naimah Williams: 565.

**Funsters:** League average: 161. Great start for 2020. Only two days in and got scores galore. A sign of things to come? Already here — ... Roland Sanchez: 705, Vic Santos: 662, Chris Abing: 619. Allen Swickard: 247, Randy Antazo: 245, Elmer Cali: 244. Jane Lebaron: 561, Danne VanHorn: 518, Odette Dalton: 516. Beth Austria/Julie Grabinski: 210, Elvie Del Rosario/May Toledo: 180.

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**SUNDAY — Vegas Rollers:** Richard Delgado 269/714, Derek Lee 264/685, Gilbert Gissendaner 245, Steven Brogdon 613, Mariela Mondragon 210, Yolie Ascencio 207, Suzanne Allison 200.

**MONDAY — Lake Parkers:** Brian Parker 255/648, Ron Coke Sr. 200, Becky Simon 213. **Golden Awards: 12/23:** Rick Moffat 255/685, Jerry Rudd 254, Larry Green 253/642, Bob Esler 651. **12/30:** Larry Green 258/624, Bernard Dean 253, John Saltmeris 237, Carl Brooks 641, Nancy Parker 211, Starla Battiest 205/601. **Gamblers Fun:** Andy Jeske 278/755, Jamie Lozano 247/702, Gary Wingett 235/674.

**THURSDAY — Frank's Gold Cup: 12/26:** Richard Tucker 300/823, Rick Vanderhaar 270/695, Nathan Hornung 268/705, Tee Delgado 212. **1/2:** Joe Wilhite 267/718, Kevin Jensen 266, Scott Kraye 259, Mike Mellick 259, Joe Abbate 259, Brandon Kraye 702, Richard Tucker 668, Suzanne Allison 235, Stacie Davis 210.

**FRIDAY — Vegas Gamblers: 12/27:** Steve Koontz 279, Jerry Rudd 266, Alvin Camba 259/670, Ed Jamison 672, Keven Jensen 667, Jackie Lotspeich 245, Carie Morgan 223/619, Stacie Davis 220. **1/3:** Brandon Kraye 278/726, Marlow Dinger 277, Steven Maida 277/727, Mark Wages 730, Jordan Kraye 279/691, Sharon Westerhold 262/660, Tee Delgado 245, Carie Morgan 602.

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**INVITATIONAL**

After Two-Week Break, Long Pattern Resumes

by Jonathan Garza

DOWNEY – US Foods and Century 21 - PEAK started things off in the “A” match after a two-week hiatus in the Brunswick Invitational. Both teams entered the night tied with Junior Amateur Tour (JAT). Century 21 won the tiebreaker by two total pins (2175 to 2173) to earn the right to play in the “A” match in Week 2.

There was no time for rust. The gloves were put back on as we march toward the season in hopes of finding a new champion in the Brunswick Invitational.

No JT Diso for US Foods in this one, but Paul Barraco put the team on his back, shooting a 589 to lead the way to four points, jumping his team to nine for the round. Bobby LaFromboise led his team with a 490, thanks to a 236 in Game 3; helping Century 21 to a 21-pin win for their lone point.

JAT fell into to the “B” matchup with DV8, which came into the night with 4.5 points. Jon Huff led the way for DV8, coming off of his clean 30 in Week 1 of the round, posting a 546 tonight. They took home four points tonight, jumping up to 8.5 points. Anthony Santos was the high man for JAT with a 540. They go to six points.

Forest Lanes and Captain Morgan were two of five teams tied with four points coming into tonight. They were well above the next team (Bowlium; 2318 to 2198) for the tiebreaker. This one was all Forest Lanes, which completed a clean sweep behind Jon Diso’s 639. But it wasn’t just him – Stephanie Zavala and Bobby Hornacek each shot 631 to help out. They go to nine points for the round. David Schiada led the way for Captain Morgan with a 594.

Bowlium and Buddy’s Bowling Supply were the middle teams in the tiebreaker. A couple of huge games helped Buddy’s jump out to a big lead before dropping the third game for four points. They go to eight points behind Bobby Campagnale’s 639 series. Danny Wilson led the way with a 580 for Bowlium, which goes to five points for the round.

The final team in the four-point tiebreaker was Rednil Insurance Brokers, which opposed three-win Don Julio Tequila. All but the final game was a blowout in a Don Julio sweep of Rednil. The third game was decided by 15 pins. Sub Sol Cericos led the way for Don Julio, while Rednil was paced by Jonathan Huezos’s 486. Don Julio goes to eight points for the round.

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Two-win 3 Olives Vodka went up against the highest scoring of the one-win teams, **Cal Bowl**, and got swept without its anchor Eric Snow. Cal was led by its leadoff bowler, Ramon Torres and his 641 series. 3 Olives’ leader was Jonathan Gale, who shot a 592. Cal goes to six points for the round.

The first of two one-win matchups saw **Threadworks** take four points to climb up to five for the round, taking the victory over **Bowling Guys**, which used two subs on this night. Threadworks got a consistent effort from all four members, but were led by Arnold Cheesman’s 590. Kevin Jones was the leader of the bunch for Bowling Guys with his 630. They go to two points for the round.

In the other one-win matchup, **Saddleback Lanes** cruised in sweeping **Professional Approach**, going up to six points for the round. Alex Abieras shot a 640 despite shooting a 165 in his middle game. Reggie Brown led the way for Professional Approach with a 507.

**Team Hu\$tle** was swept a week ago, but came away with four wins against **Kingpin Pro Shop**. Jello Gray led Hu\$tle with a 576, while Mikey Villarreal took charge of Kingpin with a 613. Kingpin entered the night with half a point, and now sits with 1.5 going into next week.

Our final match of the evening saw **Tito’s Vodka** smash **Keystone Lanes** for its first five points of the round. Keystone remains winless. Tito’s was led by Brian Main’s 625; while Keystone’s effort was topped by Jonathan Garza’s 624.

Cashing in the upper-division sidepot was Bobby Campagnale (256) for Game 1, Leonard Ruiz Jr. (237) for Game 2, and Arnold Cheesman (226) for Game 3.

Over to the lower division we saw Alex Abieras shoot 244 for Game 1, Matt Ridgeway with a 203 in Game 2, and Alex Abieras with a 231 in Game 3.

The Financial Advisors Pot saw Jon Diso win \$190 for shooting a 255. Ramon Torres gets \$90 for his 246 game.

It seems like bowlers have an idea of what to do on this tough pattern. Who figured it out? Who is just setting themselves up to get stuck more?

Don't just read about it, be a part of it! Bowling starts at 8 p.m. in Downey at beautiful Del Rio Lanes.

**TOP TEN TEAMS ROUND 3**

Forest Lanes.....9	Saddleback Lanes ....6
U.S. Foods.....9	Cal Bowl \$\$.....6
DV8 \$.....8.5	Junior Amateur Tour ... 6
Buddy's Bowling Supply 8	Century 21-PEAK .....6
Don Julio Tequila ....8	Tito's Vodka.....5

**TOP 10 THIS WEEK**

Ramon Torres ..... 641	Stephanie Zavala .... 631
Alex Abieras ..... 640	Brian Main..... 625
Bobby Campagnale .. 639	Jonathan Garza..... 624
Bobby Hornacek..... 639	Mikey Villarreal ..... 613
Jon Diso ..... 631	John Vallin..... 606

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