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SIMONSEN WINS 2022 U.S. OPEN FOR THIRD MAJOR TITLE

by Matt Cannizzaro, USBC Communications

INDIANAPOLIS - Almost six years after making history at Woodland Bowl, Anthony Simonsen of Las Vegas was back to claim another spot in the bowling record book, this time by winning the 2022 U.S. Open for his third major title on the Professional Bowlers Association Tour.

Simonsen defeated top seed EJ Tackett of nearby Bluffton, Indiana, 232-165, to become the youngest bowler in history to win three majors. It marked Simonsen's ninth PBA Tour win overall.

The victory came live on Fox Sports' FS1 as

part of the 2022 PBA Tour television schedule and also earned Simonsen a \$100,000 top prize and the event's iconic green jacket. Tackett earned \$50,000 as the runner-up.

At 25 years and 31 days old, Simonsen bested the previous mark of 25 years and 43 days, set by United States Bowling Congress and PBA Hall of Famer Dave Davis more than five decades ago.

Simonsen had the opportunity to break the record on the U.S. Open stage in 2020, where he was the top seed for the TV show, continued on page 7



IT'S TIME FOR A BVL COMEBACK – HELP OUR VETERANS –

by Frank Weiler

The 2021-21 Bowling Season was a downer for everyone including our Veterans. Bowling Centers were closed, Leagues shrunk and bowlers were home bound for weeks. We bowlers did not have an opportunity to support our VETERANS and their charity THE BOWLERS TO VETERANS LINK (BVL) like we are accustomed to. Still CALIFORNIA bowlers came through to raise more than \$12,000 including a personal donation of \$200 from Past State President ROSIE PARKER.

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ADLER, KEARNEY, JOAN ROMEO ELECTED TO PWBA HALL OF FAME

ARLINGTON, Texas - Kim Adler, Kim Kearney and Joan Romeo have been elected to the Professional Women's Bowling Association Hall of Fame as part of the 2022 induction class.

Adler and Kearney were inducted by the PWBA Hall of Fame Committee in the Performance category, while Romeo was selected through Meritorious Service/Builder.

The 2022 PWBA Hall of Fame induction ceremony is scheduled to take place in May in Addison, Illinois, in conjunction with the United States Bowling Congress Queens. The 2022 USBC Queens is scheduled to take place May 18-24, and more information about the ceremony will be available at a later date. Registration for the 2022 Queens is open and available at BOWL.com/Queens.



Kim Adler Adler, 54, of Cocoa Beach, Florida, collected 15 PWBA Tour titles from 1993 through 2002, including three major championships.

The 1991 PWBA Rookie of the Year captured her first major at the 1996 Hammer Players Championship, and she followed with additional major wins

at the 1997 Sam's Town Invitational and 1999 U.S. Women's Open.

Adler consistently found her way to the winner's circle on tour, capturing two titles in each season from 1995 through 2000.

She was inducted into the USBC Hall of Fame for Superior Performance in continued on page 3

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Junior Bowlers Dominate Professional Partners...

Another Revenue Stream For
Storm Products And The PBA

by Dave Williams

Impressive — Spectacular — Inspiring — Monumental — Breathtaking — Incredible

These are all words that could be used to describe the almost unbelievable presentation of the Junior National Championship by the Professional Bowlers Association (PBA) last weekend at Bowlero Lanes in Euless, Texas — just a hop, skip and jump from the Bowling Hall of Fame and Museum in nearby Arlington.

Suffice it to say, all eight of the finalists (four junior bowlers and four adult professionals) should be a shoo-in for the Hall of Fame. Yes, the junior bowlers were that good! In fact, I was quite amazed at the poise, control and grace of the youth participants. Each of the junior bowlers displayed traits similar to future or current members of the Hall of Fame, as outlined below:



Future Hall of Fame Members All
(l-r) Jillian Martin, Kayla Starr, Landin Jordan and Eric Jones - PBA Photo

ERIC JONES — Did anyone else notice a remarkable similarity to Hugh Miller? It's as though Miller has been cloned into the 17 year old Jones. Aside from the two handed delivery by young Jones, the remainder of his approach and demeanor are identical to the 65 year old veteran from Mercer Island, Washington.

LANDIN JORDAN — It would be hard to compare anyone to Pete Weber, but the intensity shown by Jordan from behind his face mask reminded me of that same fervent manner displayed by a young Mr. Weber. The clincher for me was Jordan's comment after defeating Jones in the Boys Championship Finals: "It was a stunning moment. Anything is possible. I can compete against some of the greatest bowlers, and I can perform under the bright lights with immense pressure." Quite the bravado for a 15 year old!

KAYLA STARR — As I was watching Kayla perform on her very first television appearance, I could not help but notice a striking resemblance to Clara Guerrero, originally from Colombia, and now a U.S. citizen from Pflugerville, Texas. Before the match was over, commentator Randy Pedersen had made the same reference to the similarities between the 15 year old Starr and Guerrero.

JILLIAN MARTIN — It's difficult to compare Martin to any individual star. A couple that come to mind are Marion Ladewig and Leanne Barrette-Hulsenberg. At the age of 17, Martin enjoys the moxie of Ladewig and the power of Barrette-Hulsenberg. She also incorporates an open hand release that is reminiscent of Pete Weber, as well as a rev rate matched only by some of the two-handed male keglers.

Speaking of Leanne Barrette-Hulsenberg, I remembered when interviewing her a few years ago that she was devoting much of her time at Storm Products to a series known as the Storm Youth Championships. I could tell in her voice the passion that she had for this series of youth tournaments as she rattled off the tournament sites around the country.

I checked the Storm website to see if this series of tournaments for youth bowlers was still in existence, and sure enough it was still there. In fact, the number of tournaments for 2022 has increased to nine events, as noted below:

- Las Vegas, Nevada (South Point Plaza) — February 19-20, 2022
- New Castle, Delaware (Bowlerama) — March 11-13, 2022
- Mooresville, North Carolina (Victory Lanes) — April 8-10, 2022
- Davenport, Iowa (Big River Bowl) — May 27-29, 2022
- Columbus, Ohio (Columbus Square Bowl) — June 16-19, 2022
- Boise, Idaho (Westy's Garden Lanes) — August 12-14, 2022
- Wichita, Kansas (Northrock Lanes) — September 9-11, 2022
- Myrtle Beach, SC (Planet Fun and Little River Lanes) — October 7-9, 2022
- Orlando, Florida (Boardwalk Bowl) — November 11-13, 2022

The Storm Youth Championships have grown each year since their inception in 2017. The stormbowling.com website states that the event was created as a way to give back to the bowling community, educate young bowlers, and bring players and their families together in the spirit of competition and camaraderie. In just five years, more than \$300,000 in scholarships have been awarded, with yet another record year anticipated in 2022.

As I looked over the results of the past five years (final results of every tournament are listed with an exhaustive recap of all games rolled in every squad), I noticed that each of our future Hall of Famers have bowled in multiple tournaments — with Kayla and Jillian reporting nearly perfect attendance in all the tournaments since inception.

It goes without saying that many of these young competitors have to look up to Leanne as a role model and trendsetter. From her early appearances on television, which have thankfully been saved for new fans to watch on YouTube; to her capacity as the initiator of a professional style series of tournaments for youngsters, you would have to credit Barrette-Hulsenberg with this new revenue stream of success for both Storm Bowling Products and the PBA.

PBA Recognizes 2022 Storm Youth Championships

On Wednesday a news release was distributed by the International Bowling Media Association (IBMA), in which the PBA announced that the Storm Youth Championship events for 2022 would be receiving more than \$5,000 in SMART Scholarships, across the entire nine contests. The PBA will award the "Never Give Up Scholarship" to the bowler in each age division with the highest five game total during the final round of each tournament.

Congratulations to "Mama Bear" Leanne Barette-Hulsenberg... you earned this recognition.

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2016. She was named the 1989 PWBA Rookie of the Year and won her first title in 1990. Her first major victory came at the 2001 U.S. Women's Open, and she collected a second green jacket at the 2008 event. She also is the 2002 Queens champion.

Kearney has turned her attention to coaching in recent years and is in her second stint as part of the Team USA coaching program. She also is the head women's bowling coach at North Carolina A&T State University.

The three-time Robby Sportsmanship Award winner was inducted into the USBC Hall of Fame for Superior Performance in 2010.

Joan Romeo, 89, of Las Vegas, has served countless roles in the bowling industry to help grow the sport and been recognized for her dedication through numerous awards, but her work on behalf of professional women's bowling has left a lasting legacy.

She diligently worked to secure sponsorships and promote events throughout the years, and her fundraising efforts helped to create an exhibit to recognize professional women's bowling at the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame, part of the International Bowling Campus in Arlington.

In addition to her dedication to professional women's bowling, Romeo's work within the industry included supporting the International Bowling Media Association, World Bowling (now International Bowling Federation), International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame, California Bowling Writers and the Team USA program.

Romeo now joins her daughter, Robin, in both the PWBA and USBC Halls of Fame.

Joan Romeo was inducted into the USBC Hall of Fame for Meritorious Service in 2016, while Robin Romeo was elected to the USBC Hall of Fame for Superior Performance in 1995 and PWBA Hall of Fame for Performance in 1996.

They will join Doris Coburn and Cindy Coburn-Carroll as the only mother-and-daughter duos to be inducted into both halls of fame.

Along with Adler, Kearney and Romeo, the three members of the 2020 class also will be inducted into the PWBA Hall of Fame during the ceremony in May. The 2020 ceremony was canceled due to COVID-19, and the PWBA Hall of Fame Committee deferred the 2021 nominations until 2022.

The 2020 class includes Pam Buckner of Reno, Nevada, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard of Keller, Texas, and Australia's Carol Gianotti. All three were elected in the Performance category.

The PWBA Hall of Fame Committee elected both classes based on submitted applications. The committee is comprised of PWBA Hall of Fame members, board members of the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America and USBC and bowling media members.

Through 2019, there are 38 members of the PWBA Hall of Fame - 21 in Performance, 10 in Ambassador and seven in Meritorious Service/Builder.

The PWBA Hall of Fame was created in 1995 and returned in 2019 after a 16-year hiatus.

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She was named the 1989 PWBA Rookie of the Year and won her first title in 1990. Her first major victory came at the 2001 U.S. Women's Open, and she collected a second green jacket at the 2008 event. She also is the 2002 Queens champion.



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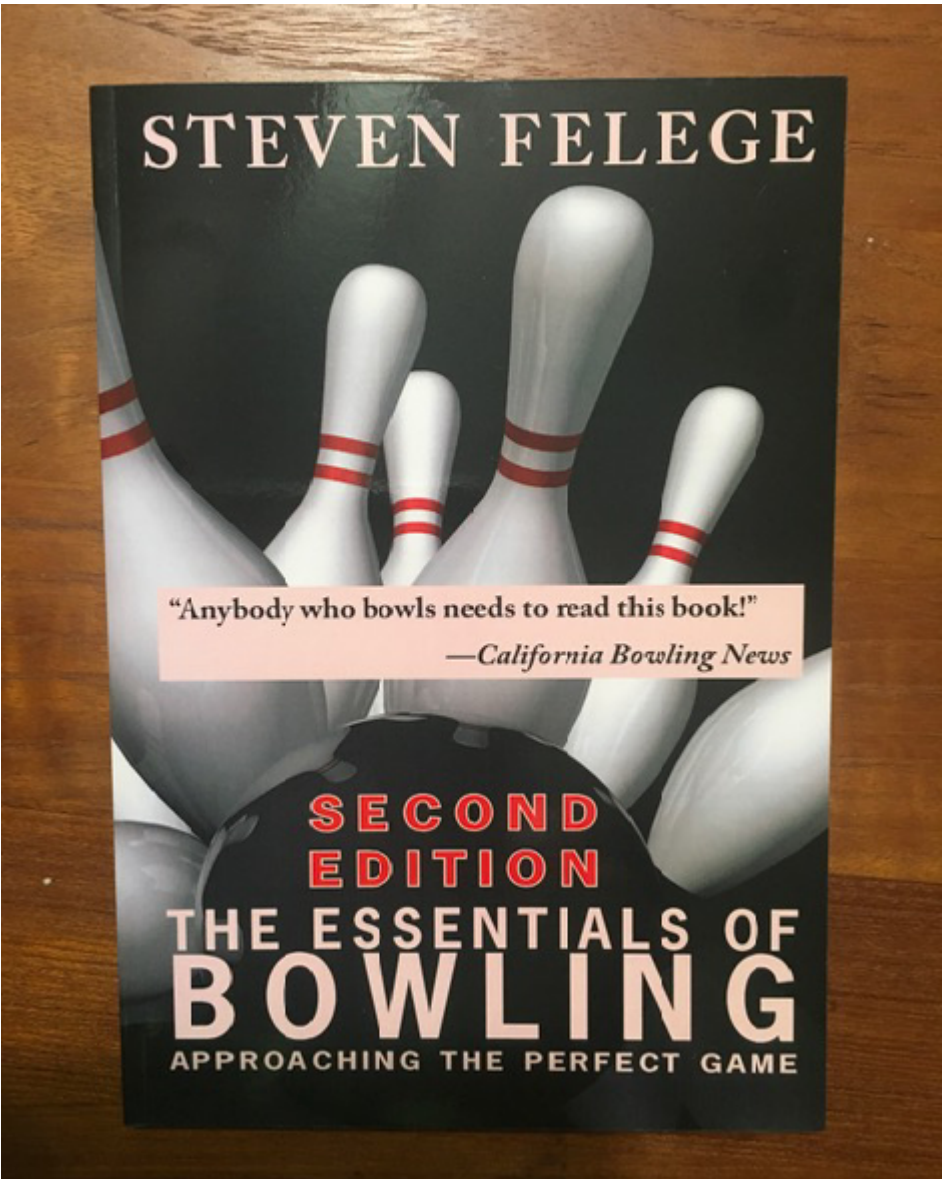
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“Four Paws, Two Feet, One Team”!

by Tina Martin, CBW Treasurer

For the fourth year, California Bowling Writers (CBW) chose the non-profit organization Operation Freedom Paws (OFP) for their charity endeavors. It took the “One Team” effort of many “Two Feet” to result in a huge win for the organization, founded by Mary Cortani--a Veteran and Bowler. The end results for the year: \$13,033 bringing the total for the last four years to be \$36,088!

The 3rd Annual CBW/OFP Bowling Event, was held at 4th Street Bowl, San Jose, on October 24. Donna Morales of San Jose gets all the credit for the idea for the charity and the tournament. She is a natural to be the Tournament Director and makes the event run so smoothly. Modestly she will say it’s the work of everyone that loves the cause as she has the support of the Santa Clara County USBC members, Mary Cortani and her staff at OFP as well as the CBW Board members and the hosting bowling centers in the area. The bowling event offered two options - a USBC Certified tournament - or “just for fun” bowling. The 2-squad event raised over \$6000 for OFP. Seeing the Veterans with their dogs at the event was extra special as many of them shared that they would not be able to function in groups or in places like the bowling center, without their dog and the support from OFP.

2021 was a difficult, emotional year for the California Bowling Writers when President Bette Addington passed away in July. Over \$6500 was raised in Bette’s memory for OFP.

Thanks to those that sent in donations “in honor of,” “in memory of” and just because they shared our interest in helping our Veterans. Thanks also goes to California Bowling News for publishing CBW’s flyers on the charity and of our Bowling Event.

The tournament for 2022 will be held September 24 at Morgan Hill Bowl in Morgan Hill. Save the Date!

The picture enclosed is of Donna Morales presenting the 2021 balance of donations of \$1280 (totaling \$13,033) to Mary Cortani at the OFP Canine Training Center in San Martin.



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SUNDAY, MARCH 6 2022	12:00PM EST	WSOB PBA Roth/Holman Doubles Championship Finals LIVE	FS1
SUNDAY, MARCH 13 2022	1:00PM EDT	WSOB PBA World Championship Finals LIVE.....	FOX
MONDAY, MARCH 14 2022	8:00PM EDT	WSOB PBA Cheetah Championship Finals LIVE	FS1
TUESDAY, MARCH 15 2022	8:00PM EDT	WSOB PBA Scorpion Championship Finals LIVE	FS1
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16 2022	8:00PM EDT	WSOB PBA Shark Championship Finals LIVE.....	FS1
SUNDAY, MARCH 20 2022	2:30PM EDT	WSOB PBA Collegiate Invitational.....	FS1
SUNDAY, MARCH 20 2022	4:30PM EDT	THE PBA STORM CUP: Lubbock Sports Open LIVE.....	FloBowling
THURSDAY, MARCH 24 2022	8:30PM EDT	THE PBA STORM CUP: Colorado Springs Open	FloBowling
SUNDAY, APRIL 3 2022	1:00PM EDT	USBC Masters LIVE	FOX
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SATURDAY, APRIL 16 2022	1:00PM EDT	PBA Playoffs Round of 16	FS1
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but he fell to Australia’s Jason Belmonte. Including Simonsen’s win over Tackett on Sunday, the top qualifier at the U.S. Open has been defeated six times since 2015.

“It was a long two years to wait after losing the title match in 2020 and then not bowling last year, so there certainly was some redemption in being able to win this time,” Simonsen said. “It also is big because of how the season started at this year’s (PBA) Players Championship. I didn’t feel like I bowled all that great, but I didn’t bowl terribly, either. It’s good to be moving in the right direction as the season gets going.”

On the way to the win over Tackett, Simonsen struck six times in his first seven frames to put the game out of reach. Tackett, a 29-year-old right-hander and 14-time PBA Tour champion, opened four times in the first eight frames.

Tackett’s resume includes two majors - the 2016 PBA World Championship and 2017 PBA Tournament of Champions - and he was looking to become the eighth bowler in history to complete the PBA Triple Crown.

“I had a couple different ball choices, and I went with the one that got me there,” Tackett said. “This particular time, on that particular pair, it wasn’t the right one. I think the ball I threw was just a little bit too early, which forced me to throw it too far to the right. I just made the wrong ball choice, and that happens.”

In 2016, a month past his 19th birthday, Simonsen won the USBC Masters to become the PBA Tour’s youngest major champion. That win came shortly after the death of his mother, so it carried a little extra meaning for the young two-hander, who grew up in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

This time, Simonsen again arrived at Woodland Bowl with a heavy heart, following the recent loss of his father, and it’s something he did think about once he was on-site.

“My mom passed a couple months prior to us bowling the Masters here, and I came away with the win, and my dad passed away a couple of months ago, so coming back, I had a weird feeling this week in regards to that,” Simonsen said. “And it’s a center I’m comfortable in, with some past success, so that always plays into it. That comfort definitely was a key to my success this week.”

Simonsen, whose second major title was the 2019 PBA Players Championship, entered Sunday’s stepladder as the No. 2 seed, 502 pins behind Tackett after 56 games of qualifying and match play across four oil patterns. It marked the fifth time since the U.S. Open’s 2015 return from a one-year hiatus, that the top seed led by more than 270 pins and did not win. In 2020, Simonsen finished 362 pins ahead of the field.

“Yes, leading by 500 is all grand, but it doesn’t matter,” Tackett said. “It doesn’t mean anything. This is what means something. I didn’t do it. The positive is, I led by 500 over the best bowlers in the world. I know I’m bowling well, but I have to figure out what to do to win.”

To earn the meeting with Tackett, Simonsen survived a rematch with Belmonte, who won the season-opening PBA Players Championship for his record-extending 14th PBA major win and 26th title overall.

In the low-scoring semifinal, Simonsen outlasted the Australian two-hander, 180-168, with a ninth-frame ball change sparking his run to the title. The two combined for five open frames, which included two washouts, two splits and a chopped 6-10 combination from Simonsen early in the match.

Simonsen and Belmonte were separated by one pin after nine frames. Simonsen finished first and delivered three strikes in his final frame to force Belmonte to do the same for a one-pin victory. The 38-year-old missed the headpin to the right on his first offering and left the 1-2-4 combination to fall short.

A win Sunday for Belmonte would’ve made him the first player in history to complete the PBA Super Slam twice. His win over Simonsen at the 2020 U.S. Open allowed him to achieve the feat for the first time, matching USBC and PBA Hall of Famer Mike Aulby.

The Super Slam includes the U.S. Open, PBA Tournament of Champions, PBA World Championship, PBA Players Championship and Masters.

Belmonte entered the championship round Sunday as the fifth seed and defeated No. 4 Jake Peters of Henderson, Nevada, and No. 3 AJ Johnson of Oswego, Illinois, to set up the meeting with Simonsen.

Against Johnson, Belmonte needed to spare a 10 pin in his final frame and get one pin on the fill ball to advance to the semifinal. He was successful and moved on, 221-212.

Johnson is a six-time runner-up in PBA Tour competition, the first of which came against Belmonte at the 2015 Masters. He did later pick up a win against the world’s best at the 2019 Korea PBA SamHo Cup, but that was a non-title event.

In the opening match Sunday, Belmonte struck three times in the first four frames, and seven times overall, to cruise to a 246-198 victory over Peters.

Peters won his lone PBA Tour title in 2013 and was in search of his first major victory. He was not able to record a strike in the second half of the game and was slowed by a washout in the seventh frame that he was unable to convert.

All rounds of qualifying and match play this week were broadcast live at BowlTV.com. The 108 U.S. Open entrants bowled 24 games over three days and three oil patterns, before the field was cut to the top 36 for the eight-game Cashers’ Round on a fourth oil pattern.

After 32 games, total pinfall determined the 24 bowlers for round-robin match play, and total pinfall for 56 games, including bonus pins for each match won, decided the five players for the stepladder.

The fourth oil pattern was used for the Cashers’ Round, match play and the TV show. The field at Woodland Bowl was made up of the sport’s top performers in recent seasons. It included the leaders on the PBA Tour points list, Team USA and Junior Team members, top performers at USBC events and PBA majors, and those who advanced from an on-site pre-tournament qualifier last weekend.

The 2022 U.S. Open was a collaborative effort between USBC and the Bowling Proprietors’ Association of America. The total prize fund for the event was \$282,000.

The last time the event awarded a six-figure prize to the champion was 2009.

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MARGARET VASSAR – “SMOOTH FLYER”
A Bowling Virtuoso a Little Like DA VINCI and a Little Like PICASSO

by Frank Weiler

There are few bowlers like Margaret Vassar. She is a “SMOOTH FLYER”. That’s a bowler who combines the skills and styles of “stokers” and “crankers”. Most bowlers are either one or the other. That is, most bowlers are either a stroker (smooth bowler) or a cranker (power bowler).



Most female bowlers are stokers. They have been described as the fine artists of the sport of Bowling. Virtuosos on the lanes. They ply their bowling skills like an oil painter using fine strokes. Strokes that artist like Da Vinci, Vasquez and Vermeer would apply to canvas. Rolling bowling balls smoothly and precisely. Stokers are much different than crankers.

Crankers “Bowl on the Wild Side”. They push pins around and off the pin deck like tornadoes blowing debris up, around and down wind for miles. They resemble artists like Kandinsky, Picasso and Van Gogh. Artists who apply bold, dramatic and wild strokes of oil to canvas. Rolling bowling balls rapidly, sometimes erratically but usually with good results.

Both styles of bowling are popular and effective. Professional bowlers like **Parker Bohn III, Kelly Kulick and David Ozio** succeeded as stokers, while **Jason Belmonte, Michelle Feldman and Mark Roth** succeeded as crankers.

I have never seen a professional bowler who was successful as a “smooth flyer”. I cannot even remember seeing a professional bowler trying to be a “smooth flyer”. It’s always been one style or the other.

Then about ten years ago I met and watched Margaret Vassar bowl. She was a smooth, stylish bowler who rolled a rapid bowling ball with a generous amount of revolutions. She was the first bowler I had ever seen who at the same time was a stroker and a cranker. She was a “smooth flyer”. How does she do it? She employs a rapid but smooth “side-winding” arm motion to propel her bowling ball. The ball then revolves like a spinning “TOP” moving speedily down lane at a pace approaching 400 revolutions. A smooth yet rapid arm swing is the key. There is no secret involved to “smooth flying”, it’s just a matter of skill.

During the decade that I have known Margaret she has been the envy of many a bowler. Decades ago many basketball players were known to want to be “Just like Mike”. That is, just like **Michael Jordan**. Well, there are many of our local bowlers who want to be “Just like Margaret”. Just like Margaret Vassar. While these “Wannabe Bowlers” recognize and admire Margaret’s bowling style and skills they are more impressed by her scoring. Bowlers notice high scores and pay attention to the bowlers who roll them.

Over the years those “Wannabe Bowlers” have seen Margaret roll numerous high scores and honor scores. She scores because she is a “smooth flyer” and because she is the coolest cucumber in the basket. She is cool and calm under pressure, able to take advantage of her bowling skills better than most bowlers because she is in complete control of her emotions.

“I WANT TO BE LIKE MARGARET”.

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FAMILY TIES, CAL BOWL AND U.S. FOODS ALL HAVE ROUND WINNING HOPES

by Mike Cammarata

Going into Monday night, five teams in the Brunswick Invitational were still in contention for the round with two weeks to go. Cal Bowl and Family Ties would do battle on the first pair, again. J.A.T., U.S. Foods, and Threadworks were all looking to gain ground. And, if that wasn't enough excitement, round winners Forever Hope Foundation and Bowlum would square off on the second pair.

Family Ties took an early 1-0 lead in the match with an 806-746 win, led by Stephanie Zavala and her 228 game. Mike Villarreal added 214 to assist in the win. In the middle game, things got worse for Cal Bowl, as Villarreal got lined up on his way to a 258 game, while Steve Gurrieri added a 222. The win opened up Family Ties lead for total pins to 127 pins. The final game was much closer, coming down to the final ball, and, while Cal Bowl pulled out the one pin victory, it didn't help close the gap as Family Ties took the match, 4-1. Ramon Torres led Cal Bowl to the win with 219. For series, it was all Villarreal as he led the way with 671. The four wins give Family Ties a three game lead over Cal Bowl heading into the final week.

The second pair was a battle of the winners from the first two rounds. And, on this night, the Forever Hope Foundation was way too much for Bowlum to handle. The closest game was the final game, in which Forever Hope won by 74 pins. Joe Smith led the team with 228-249-234/711. While that may have been enough, he was not alone. Ramsey Basurto was not far behind with 221-246-211/678 and Vernon Adams added 227/639 as well. Billy Myers Jr. was solid for Bowlum in defeat, shooting a 228/612.

Also three games behind Family Ties is the U.S. Foods team, following their sweep of J.A.T. The losses eliminated J.A.T. from contention for the round. U.S. Foods improved to 19-11 for the round with the wins. Most of the damage in the match came from Kasey Uyesugi, as he shot a 267-254-199 for a 720 set, leading his team by almost 150 pins. Walt Blackston had three games in the 190's for J.A.T. to lead them with 575, but it wasn't enough to keep up with Uyesugi and U.S. Foods.

Threadworks also went into the night with an outside shot at the round, needing wins over DV8. The match went the other way though. DV8 took the first game by 7 pins, and the margin got wider each game as DV8 swept all five, winning totals by 155. Three bowlers on DV8 broke 600. Kyle Duster led with 614, while J.T. Jackson added 611 and Scott Smith had 600. DV8 started the round 4-11, but has gone 14-1 since to improve to 18-12. After finishing 2nd in the first two rounds, another 2nd place finish is still within reach for the third round.

Forest Lanes got off to a fast start in their match against CA Timberline. Forest shot a big 846 in the opener to get the win and an early 100 pin lead for totals. JT Diso did most of the damage with a 265 game. Timberline came back to win the middle game behind a strong 203 from Donell Carter. The scores dipped a lot in the final game for Timberline, allowing Forest Lanes to get the final game and totals by a wide margin, for a 4-1 win in the match. JT Diso led the pair with 605.

Westminster Lanes dropped the first game of their match to the Professional Approach, before steaming back to take the next to and totals for a 4-1 win. In the opener, Stephen Boring had a 201 to lead Pro Approach to their lone win. After that, Westminster Lanes really turned it on. Their second game of total of 862 was led by Jonathan Gale with 233 and Jaime Ferry with 227. In the final game, it was Edward Estrada leading with 204, on his way to a pair leading 606.

Team Hu\$tle got five wins over WBPI on the next pair, improving to 13-17 for the round and getting some much needed wins for the overall total.

I did not see a score sheet for Bowling Guys vs. TDI Refrigeration, so there is no report on that match. Turn in your score sheet, please. Somebody should get credit for their games.

Kasey Uyesugi won the first sidepot of the night with his 267 game. Joe Smith was a distant second at 228. Mike Villarreal won the next game, shooting

TOP 10 TEAMS ROUND 3			
Forever Hope Foundation\$ 22	Forest Lanes.....17		
Family Ties.....22	Bowlum \$\$.....16		
Cal Bowl.....19	Junior Amateur Tour..16		
U.S. Foods.....19	Westminster Lanes....14		
DV8.....18	Threadworks.....14		

TOP 10 THIS WEEK			
Kasey Uyesugi.....720	Eric Snow.....639		
Joe Smith.....711	Leonard Ruiz Jr.....631		
Ramsey Basurto.....678	Ramon Torres.....622		
Mikey Villarreal.....671	Kyle Duster.....614		
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a 258. Uyesugi stayed hot, shooting 254 for second place. In the final game, 237 was enough to win the pot for Bobby Campagnale, earning him \$120. Joe Smith got his second 2nd place finish with a 234.

The Financial Advisors Pot was a repeat of the second sidepot, as Mikey Villarreal took the \$160 first place prize and Kasey Uyesugi earned second.

Family Ties has the edge, but Cal Bowl is always dangerous. And, lurking on the second pair is U.S. Foods, but they'll need a little help in front of them. It is sure to be an exciting finish as the third round of the Brunswick Invitational finishes up. Come down to Del Rio Lanes on Monday at 8pm to catch the action. It's always a good time.

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