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## **ELLIOUT EASLEY Self Made Man & Bowler**

by Frank Weiler

NORCO — Family, business, bowling - Elliout Easley has done it his way. He overcame and succeeded in every endeavor.

A wonderful family man, Elliout has been married to wife Rosetta for fifty-seven years. A father of two grown daughters, he speaks proudly of his six grandchildren and their pursuit of college degrees and professional careers.

A business success is another way to describe Elliout. After serving in the Air Force (1953 -1956) Mr. Easley worked for Lockheed Corporation as an aircraft mechanic. Following a stint in the Post Office and operating a landscaping business, Elliout opened EASLEY AUTO PARTS. He operated his successful auto body shop for thirty years at 190th and Central in Los Angeles. He retired in 1998 a A SELF MADE MAN.

Bowler supreme. Any bowler who averages 216 at the age of eighty is a darn good bowler. Elliout's 2013 book average is 216! On top of that Elliout rolled his eighth perfect game, a couple of weeks ago, just four months shy of his 81st birthday.

Mr. Easley began bowling in 1949 when seventeen. He started as a pin boy working for seven cents a game. He loved bowling but growing up in Waco, Texas made it difficult to participate in those

**KEVIN FITHIAN** 

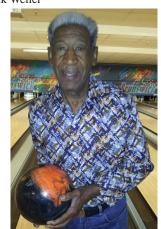
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Elliout Easley

days. The "COLOR BAR-RIER" precluded his competing in a league. However, pin setting allowed him to bowl before or after hours. He took advantage of the opportunity and made himself into a scratch bowler.

During his middle years he stepped away from our sport to concentrate on family and career. Bowling was always on his mind and dear to his heart.

Then after twenty-five years he was able to get back on the lanes, in 2003.

He restarted at Riverside Lanes and before long rolled his first 300 at age 70! The perfecto was part of his personal high series 785 (245 - 240 - 300). That's when Elliout got serious, started practicing regularly and joined three leagues. His game took

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## L.A. X Meets NYC WTT KingPins in First PBA League Semifinal at 2 p.m. Sunday on ESPN



ALLEN PARK, – With actor/comedian Kevin Hart's Philadelphia Hitmen presented by High 5 Gear winning Sunday's PBA League quarterfinal match against NFL linebacker LaMarr Woodley's Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits presented by Hotel Planner.com, the semifinal field is set for the stretch run to capture the 2014 PBA League Elias Cup.

The first semifinal match will pit Los Angeles Clippers star Chris Paul's L.A. X presented by GoBowling.com vs. tennis legend Billie Jean King's defending champion New York City WTT KingPins presented by GEICO this Sunday at 2 p.m. on ESPN.

In each PBA League round, teams are competing for points in a head-to-head series of matches that include singles, alternate-ball doubles, Baker trio and Baker team formats. One point is awarded for a win in the singles, doubles and trios contests with three points awarded for a Baker team win. Should there be a tie at the conclusion of the match, a one-ball sudden-death roll-off will determine the winner.

In Sunday's semifinal, 2012-13 PBA Player of the Year Jason Belmonte of L.A. X will battle PBA Hall of Famer Pete Weber of the KingPins in the opening singles match.

In the alternate-shot doubles match, Weber will team with John Szczerbinski in a match against L.A X's 13-time Tour winner Mika Koivuniemi and Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III.

In trios, L.A. X's Belmonte, two-time Tour winner Andres Gomez and 2012-13 PBA Rookie of the Year E.J. Tackett will meet the KingPins' Jake Peters, Tour champion Stuart Williams and three-time Tour winner Scott Norton.

In the Baker team finale,

the KingPins' Weber, Peters, Szczerbinski, Norton and Williams will bowl against L.A. X's Koivuniemi, Tackett, Gomez, Belmonte and Bohn.

On Sunday, April 6, the second semifinal match will feature the Silver Lake Atom Splitters presented by Spiceworks vs. the Hitmen at 10 a.m. on ESPN.

The winning semifinal teams will advance to the PBA League Elias Cup Finals which will air on Sunday, April 13, at 11 a.m. on ESPN from Brunswick Zone Carolier in North Brunswick, N.J..

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Bring in a new Member at Linbrook and get a \$15.00 credit. Check in early.

## **900 Series Rolled** in Delaware

by Matt Cannizzaro USBC Communications

ARLINGTON, TX — Todd James of East New Market, Md., added three memorable perfect games to his resume as he rolled 36 consecutive strikes for a 900 series at Bryan's Bowling Center in Laurel, Del., on Tuesday night.

The 31-year-old right-hander was bowling as a last-minute substitute in the Tuesday Night Mixed league and struck on every shot he threw to become the 23rd bowler in history to record a perfect series. The achievement is pending approval from the United States Bowling Congress and would be the 24th USBC-approved 900.

"I don't usually have any problems finding the shot there, but last night, I just couldn't get lined up in practice," James said. "I didn't throw a strike until the last shot, but then I was in the pocket the rest of the night."

James' longest string of strikes previously was 20, and once he got past that point, the nerves started to set in. As he got closer to the end of the third game, he also was in position for the center's strike jackpot, so everyone took notice.

"Once I got through the eighth frame of the third game, people started to realize I hadn't missed all night," said James, whose daughters, Chloe, 11, and Alyssa, 7, got to see him shoot 300 for the first time. "It's not a big place, just 14 lanes of four-person teams, but no one left."

A break in the ninth frame of the final game collapsed the 4-6-7-10 split, but James felt good about his last three shots, despite being more nervous than ever before. His final offering briefly left the 10 pin standing, before a messenger continued on page 4

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## Philadelphia Hitmen Sweep Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits Roll into **PBA League Semifinal Round**

ALLEN PARK — Bill O'Neill and his Philadelphia Hitmen recorded the first sweep in the 2014 Professional Bowlers Association League Elias Cup eliminations, knocking the Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits out of the tournament at Thunderbowl Lanes and atoning for a disappointing finish to their

A 235-225 victory in the five-man Baker team finale completed Philadelphia's 6-0 sweep of the singles, alternate ball doubles, Baker trios and Baker team competition and landed the Hitmen, owned by actor/comedian Kevin Hart, a berth in the semifinal round against the Silver Lake Atom Splitters. The battle of Pennsylvania, the fourth and final single-elimination quarterfinal round match in the eight-team PBA League competition, aired Sunday on ESPN. It was a redeeming performance for the Hitmen, presented by High 5 Gear, who were in position to make the Elias Cup finals in 2013 only to fade in the final qualifying round to finish sixth.

"It bothered me a lot that we did as bad as we did last year," O'Neill said. "We had a bad last day. If we had avoided that, we would have been fine. But we're back this year with a couple of different guys and it's turned out well because they've done nothing but strike so far. We didn't lose a game, so that's about as good as it gets.

"Now we have the supposed 'dream team' next, so hopefully we'll be able to beat their butts," O'Neill added, referring to a Silver Lake team loaded with past PBA Players of the Year Chris Barnes, Tommy Jones and Wes Malott as well as 2013 POY contender Dom Barrett and 2003 USBC Masters champion Bryon Smith.

O'Neill started the sweep of the Jack Rabbits, presented by HotelPlanner.com, with a 215-212 win in the singles match against Jack Rabbits' team captain Osku Palermaa, taking advantage of a pair of splits and open frames by the Finnish two-handed player in the second and third frames. Palermaa recovered from his mistakes with a string of five strikes. Needing two strikes in the 10th frame to complete his rally, he left a 10 pin on his first shot.

Dan MacLelland and Ryan Ciminelli kept the Philadelphia momentum rolling in the alternate ball doubles match, striking on eight of their first nine shots en route to a 257-239 win over Pittsburgh's Ronnie Russell and Eugene McCune. The Jack Rabbits, owned by newly-signed Oakland Raiders all-pro linebacker LaMarr Woodley, never wilted, however. In the Baker trio match, Philadelphia's O'Neill, Josh Blanchard and Mike DeVaney again set a torrid pace, striking on eight of their first nine shots, but led by only one pin heading into ninth frame. O'Neill's spare in the 10th gave Palermaa a chance to win for Pittsburgh with two strikes in his final frame, but he left the 4-9 split to end the threat and Philadelphia won, 256-251.

The Hitmen, who are managed by PBA Hall of Famer Jason Couch, completed the sweep with a dominating team effort. Open frames in the fifth and eighth frames hindered the Jack Rabbits, but they used a barrage of strikes to remain in contention until O'Neill's 10th-frame spare locked up the win. "They never gave us any breathing room," Pittsburgh team manager Tim Mack said. "It was a matter of one shot here and there that made the difference. We were in every match until the 10th frame, but it wasn't our day."

The PBA League now moves into the semifinal round where the defending champion New York City WTT KingPins, owned by women's sports legend Billie Jean King and led by team captain Pete Weber, will meet L.A. X, owned by Los Angeles Clippers star Chris Paul and led by captain Jason Belmonte, on ESPN on Sunday, March 30, at 2 p.m. The Hitmen will bowl the Silver Lake Atom Splitters, owned by "Nerdist" creator Chris Hardwick and led by Barnes, on ESPN on Sunday, April 6, at 10 a.m. The two semifinal round winners will battle for the Elias Cup on ESPN on Sunday, April 13, at 11 a.m.

PROFESSIONAL BOWLERS ASSOCIATION LEAGUE QUARTERFINAL MATCH FOUR Thunderbowl Lanes, Allen Park, Mich.

Philadelphia Hitmen presented by High 5 Gear def. Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits presented by HotelPlanner.com, 6-0.

**Singles Match (one point)** 

Bill O'Neill, Philadelphia Hitmen, def. Osku Palermaa, Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, 215-212.

**Alternate Ball Doubles (one point)** 

Philadelphia Hitmen (Dan MacLelland/Ryan Ciminelli) def. Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits (Ronnie Russell/Eugene McCune), 257-239.

**Baker Trios (one point)** 

Philadelphia Hitmen (Bill O'Neill/Josh Blanchard/Mike DeVaney) def. Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits (Osku Palermaa/Martin Larsen/Ronnie Russell), 256-251

Five-Man Baker Team (three points)

Philadelphia Hitmen (Mike DeVaney/Josh Blanchard/Dan MacLelland/Ryan Ciminelli/Bill O'Neill) def. Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits (Patrick Allen/Martin Larsen/Eugene McCune/Ronnie Russell/Osku Palermaa), 235-225.

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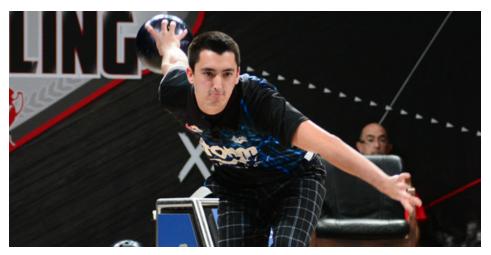
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## **U.S. Collegiate Star Marshall Kent Wins Brunswick Euro Challenge in Munich**

MUNICH, Germany (March 23, 2014) - Amateur Marshall Kent of Yakima, Wash., a member of Team USA and a collegiate all-American with the Robert Morris University-Illinois team, won the 11th annual Brunswick Euro Challenge at Dream-Bowl Palace Sunday, striking on 10 of his first 11 shots in a near-perfect 277-258 victory over Sweden's Daniel Fransson.

Kent, who reached the television finals in the 2013 U.S. Open and the PBA Scorpion Championship during the PBA World Series of Bowling V, where he competed on a special invitation, earned 11,111 Euros (US\$15,300), but he doesn't get credit for a PBA title because he is an amateur.

The Brunswick Euro Challenge is a World Bowling Tour, PBA International Tour and European Bowling Tour event.

Fransson eliminated the PBA Tour's last hope for the Brunswick Euro Challenge title when he defeated Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, 255-226, in the semifinal match.

The tournament drew a field of 343 players from 33 countries, including a strong contingent of PBA Tour players. Twenty-one PBA members advanced to Sunday's 64-player final rounds.

The PBA Tour will resume competition in the U.S. May 18-25 with the Oklahoma's Grand Hotel Resort Summer Swing in Shawnee, Okla.

WTBA/PBA INTERNATIONAL BRUNSWICK EURO CHALLENGE Dream-Bowl Palace, Munich, German, Sunday

#### **Final Standings:**

- 1, a-Marshall Kent, Yakima, Wash., \$15,300.
- 2, Daniel Fransson, Sweden, \$12,400.
- 3, Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio, \$9,600.

#### **Stepladder Results:**

Semifinal Match: Fransson def. Loschetter, 255-226. Championship: Kent def. Fransson, 277-258.

#### Other PBA Cashers:

- 4, Thomas Larsen, Denmark, \$4,100.
- 5, Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, \$4,100. 10, Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., \$2,050.
- 11, Liz Johnson, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$2,050.
- 16, Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill., \$2,050.
- 17, Paul Moor, England, \$2,050.
- 18, Tim Mack, Indianapolis, \$2,050.
- 20, Mike Fagan, Fort Worth, Texas, \$2,050.
- 28, Anthony Pepe, Elmhurst, N.Y., \$2,050.
- 30, Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., \$1,375.
- 31, Stuart Williams, England, \$1,375. 34, Martin Larsen, Sweden, \$1,375.
- 36, Osku Palermaa, Finland, \$1,375.
- 37, Jake Peters, Las Vegas, \$1,375.
- 42, Mik Stampe, Denmark, \$1,375.
- 43, Dom Barrett, England, \$1,375.
- 49, Mika Koivuniemi, Finland-Hartland, Mich., \$1,375.
- 51, Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa, \$1,375.
- 53, Jason Sterner, Covington, Ga., \$1,375.
- 59, Kimmo Lehtonen, Finland, \$1,375.
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## NATIONAL DEAF BOWLING NEWS by Connie Marchione

## FISSER'S 289-299/1046 HI-LITES DEAF TRAVEL'S GOOD DAY AT JEWEL CITY BOWL

GLENDALE — The bowlers of Southern California Deaf Traveling League wiped off the previous bad overall bowling at Brunswick Covina Lanes and enjoyed a spectacular striking exhibition by Dan Flores, Mark Fisser and Bob Jones at Jewel City Bowl.

The show began with Flores' closing 6 strikes in first game and 2nd game's front 7 strikes for a 13 strikes in row "Varipapa 300" in scores of 226 and 247. Then Fisser, who had 244 and 214 in his duel with Flores, gave a fine display of 10 strikes in row and a pocket hit 7 pin ruined a chance for a 300 game. The bowlers mound along with Fisser as he spared for a 289.

Surprise! In the 4th game, Fisser was stringing strikes again and this time he had 11 in row all in the pocket. His 12th ball was right in the pocket like the others and the darn 7 pin refused to fall. No 300 for Mark, just a 299 game, the third 299 game in this league's 54 years history joining him with David Bright and Mike Moore.

Quietly and unnoticed by many, Jones who hit his third career 300 game a couple weeks ago in his Monday Night League at Harley's Simi Valley Bowl, strung some strikes in his 4th game for

For the league day's honor roll, Fisser's games 244-214-289-299 produced a possible league record 1046 four games series. Flores had 226-247-213-190 for 876 and Jones hit 195-190-201-265 for 851. Ed Abakumoff joined them with 189-182-214-199 for 784, Gorman Low too with 702 and Jeff Stansell with his 203.

Also Fisser's 1046 along with teammates Jim Mohr's 657 and Emad Aranki's 669 gave their team Anaheim season high 2372 team series possibly a league record. Anaheim's team games were 565-572-608-627. Previously Abakumoff's Riverside held the season high team series 2256 and Stansell's Mid City retains the season high team game with 640.

On this day the 3 strongest average teams dominated with near sweeps over 2 lesser average teams. Second place Fisser's Anaheim nearly swept Flores' 5th place S F Valley 18.5-1.5 to cut first place Jones' Eagle Rock lead to 9 points. Eagle Rock retains 1st place with 15 to 5 win over MacMonagle's 6th place Orange County. Fourth place Abakumoff's Riverside with a 14-6 win, exchanged places with former 3rd place Stansell's Mid City for the only change in the standings.

Overlooked by Fisser's dominating striking display in his last two games, was his winning the league's optional Masters title finals against Flores. Fate in scheduling had it perfect with the match of both on the same pair of lanes. In prior matches Fisser had no loss and Flores just one loss and after the first two exciting games Flores had a 15 pins (473-458) lead. Fisser made sure there was no need for a rematch of title finals at Gable House Bowl.

The league thanks Jewel City Bowl management and staff for having an excellent lane conditioning for the bowlers. Next stop on schedule will be at Gable House Bowl on April 6 at Noon. Gable House Bowl is the home of Dan Flores' 300 game last November.

#### ANGEL WEST CLASSIC SATURDAY APRIL 5 AT AMF CARTER LANES

FULLERTON — Angel West Bowling Club is having its annual mixed 3 games singles classic on Saturday April 5 at AMF Carter Lanes with squads at 12:30, 2:30 and 4:30 PM. The entry fee is \$35.00 plus optionals to pick. The first place prize is \$600 based on 70 entries.

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# PBA REGIONAL ROUNDUP: MCCUNE WINS JOINT REGIONAL IN OHIO

HUBBARD OH — Eugene McCune of Munster, Ind., defeated Michael Machuga of Erie, Pa., 279-185, to win the PBA Trumbull County Visitors Bureau Central/East Open presented by DV8 at Bell-Wick Bowl in Hubbard, Ohio, on Sunday, March 16.

A live audience on PBA's Xtra Frame online bowling channel watched McCune top a field of 126 East, Central and Midwest Region players to collect his 19th career PBA Regional title and a \$2,700 first prize.

- Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Twp., Mich., defeated Jeff Richgels of Madison, Wis., 209-192, to win the PBA50 Derek Newton Allstate Midwest Open presented by Brunswick at Plamor Lanes in Muscatine, Iowa, on Saturday, March 15. The title was Sullins' 12th in PBA50 Regional competition. He also earned \$1,500.
- Danny Weikel of Bessemer City, N.C., defeated Gary Morgan of Atlanta, Ga., 207-184, 201-255, 258-212, in the best-of-threegame title match to win \$1,600 and his first PBA Regional title in the PBA50 Franklin Southern Open at Franklin (Va.) Bowling Center Sunday.
- The March 21-23 PBA Regional calendar includes the San Angelo Southwest Open presented by Ebonite at Stadium Lanes in San Angelo, Texas; the PBA50 Rossi Lanes Eastern Open in Elmira, N.Y.; the PBA50 Fayetteville Lanes South Open in Fayetteville, N.C.; the Caveman Bowl Northwest/West Open presented by DV8 in Grants Pass, Ore., and the PBA50 Showtime Lanes Midwest/Central Open presented by MOTIV in Virden,

Closing out the March schedule will be the PBA50 Boys and Girls Club Midwest/Central Open presented by Columbia 300 at Liberty Lanes in Carpentersville, Ill., and the Bowlers Discount Eastern Open at Brunswick Zone Normandy in Ellicott City, Md.

For complete PBA Regional schedules, rules and entry information, visit pba.com, open the "schedules" tab and click on Regional Tours to find the event(s) in your area.



## **900 Series** continued from page 1 solidified his place in the record books.

"Standing there and waiting for that 10 pin to go down felt like forever, like in the movies," said James, who runs an earlymorning snack route. "Afterwards, we were all pretty excited. I couldn't believe it."

Bryan's Bowling Center is about a 30-minute drive from East New Market, but James has been bowling there since it opened in 2009. He recorded a career-high average of 235 there last season and is on pace to beat that this year. He bowls regularly at Bryan's on Monday nights and bowls as a substitute when he can the rest of the week.

Henry Grabowski Jr. previously held the house record at Bryan's Bowling Center with 858, shot in January 2013, while the previous state record belonged to Ron Prettyman, who rolled games of 300, 299 and 300 for an 899 series at Holiday Lanes in Claymont, Del., in February 1996.

The first USBC-approved 900 occurred Feb. 2, 1997 when Jeremy Sonnenfeld rolled three consecutive perfect games in Lincoln, Neb. There never has been a Sport-certified 900 series.

#### USBC-Approved 900 Series (24)

Jeremy Sonnenfeld (R), Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 2, 1997 Tony Roventini (L), Greenfield, Wis., Nov. 9, 1998 Vince Wood (R), Moreno Valley, Calif., Sept, 29, 1999 Robby Portalatin (L), Jackson, Mich., Dec. 28, 2000 James Hylton (R), Salem, Ore., May 2, 2001 Jeff Campbell II (R), New Castle, Pa., June 12, 2004 Darin Pomije (R), New Prague, Minn., Dec. 9, 2004 Robert Mushtare (R) Fort Drum, N.Y. Dec. 5, 2005 & Feb. 19, 2006 Lonnie Billiter Jr. (R), Fairfield, Ohio, Feb. 13, 2006 Mark Wukoman (R), Greenfield, Wis., April 22, 2006 P.J. Giesfeldt (R), Milwaukee, Dec. 23, 2006 Rich Jerome Jr. (R), Baltimore, Dec. 22, 2008 Chris Aker (L), Winnemucca, Nev., Oct. 30, 2009 Andrew Teall (R), Medford, N.J., Nov. 2, 2009 Andrew Mank (R), Bellevue Ill., March 18, 2010 William Howell III (L), Middletown, N.Y., Oct. 21, 2010 Matt Latarski (R), Medina, Ohio, Nov. 28, 2010 Bob Kammer Jr. (R), Crown Point, Ind., Jan. 8, 2011 John Martorella Sr. (R), Greece, N.Y., April 12, 2012 Jimmy Schmitzer (R), Riverside, Calif., April 20, 2012 James Williams (R), Pawcatuck, Conn., (bowled in Wakefield, R.I.), April 16, 2013 Joe Scarborough (R), Charlotte, N.C. (bowled in The Villages, Fla.), April 21, 2013 Todd James (R), East New Market, Md., (bowled in Laurel, Del.), March 18, 2014\*\*

\*\* Pending formal approval by the United States Bowling Congress.

Editors note: We will ALWAYS think Glenn Allison's 900 should be named #1.

### California, Missouri Bowlers Named Youth Ambassadors

ARLINGTON, TX – Irene Wilson of Pinole, Calif., and Richard Hochecker IV of Ballwin, Mo., have been named the 2014 United States Bowling Congress Youth Ambassadors of the Year.

Each year, one female and one male USBC Youth bowler are recognized for exemplary contributions to the sport, academic accomplishments and community involvement. The youth ambassadors, selected by the International Bowling Campus Youth Committee, each receive a \$1,500 scholarship and one of the winners might be selected to serve on the IBC Youth Committee.

Wilson, 19, is sophomore at Dominican University of California, where she is majoring in biology with minors in mathematics and music. She is on a music scholarship and has been on the Dean's List each semester.

"I am humbled to be selected because I know there are others who are equally deserving," Wilson said. "Being selected for this award is a huge honor; it makes me feel like the time and effort that I spend encouraging my fellow bowlers is worthwhile."

She is a volunteer substitute teacher at the Music Repertoire in Pinole, teaching seven students. As a member of the Sincerity Girls Ensemble for seven years, she traveled to the Philippines and Ireland to perform with the group. She had done volunteer work with the Alameda Food Bank, St. Joseph Church and served and distributed food at a soup kitchen in Fruitvale.

Wilson, who plans to attend medical school, has assisted with tournaments at AMF Pinole Valley Lanes, where she bowls.

"Helping others has taught me how important it is to have a positive mental attitude in all that you do," Wilson said. "Through bowling I learned that if I want to be a great bowler and doctor, it is going to take a lot of time, which is why persistence is an essential part of learning."

Hochecker, 16, is a sophomore at Parkway South High School. He has been a tutor at a middle school and has done additional volunteer work through the A+ program. He also helped run the bowling program during the 2013 Senior Olympics.

"It is a huge honor to receive this award," Hochecker said. "I am grateful that out of all of the applicants the committee felt that I was a good representation of what the award is about."

A bowler since age 4, he helped with lane certifications at six centers for the St. Louis USBC in 2012, and with inspections in nine centers in 2013. He wanted to become more involved in youth bowling and was appointed to a vacant spot on the St. Louis USBC Youth Committee.

He was elected as a youth director to the St. Louis USBC Board for the 2013-2014 season and also was appointed to the Missouri State USBC Youth Committee.

"In the time that I have been on the St. Louis USBC Youth Committee, I have learned more about bowling than I could have ever imagined," Hochecker said.

Wilson and Hochecker each will receive an expenses-paid trip to the 2014 USBC Convention in Reno, Nev., where they will receive their awards. BOWL.com will live stream the USBC Convention, including the awards presentation.















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## **Chris Slack Wins 1st ABTA Title & \$4,300+ at Oak Tree Lanes**

Slack Also Hit the Match Game and Split with Beth Borci and Samson Kong another \$4,530 Linbrook Bowl is our Host Saturday Big Pots on Hand **12:00-1:00-2:30-4:00 & 6:00PM Semi Finals 8:00PM** 

DIAMOND BAR — Oak Tree Lanes was our host and lots of excitement Saturday Night as 197 Entrants came to bowl the event and Produced Cut Scores of Men +94 and the Ladies in +57. The Special Beat the Board SEMIS, (WHICH IS THE FI-NALS) became very exciting. 42 bowlers advanced to semi finals with cut scores of +91 for the men and +58 for the women. Super Seniors added were Lonzell Burnett +69, George Marquez +66 and Wendy Soo Hoo +21.

High Qualifiers were Richard Rodriguez Men +189, and Faye Josefat led the Ladies +133. They will receive paid Entries into a future ABTA Regular Event.

Top qualifier draws for the Match Series. Mr. Ath drew an UN-Matched 401, so the Match Series pot is worth an estimated \$4,900 this Saturday at Linbrook. Our optional 3-6-9 pot of \$2,700 is a carry over with Kelly Wynn missing on shot 3. He got a \$50 Consolation. The 3-6-9 wil be \$2800 at Linbrook. Big Bucks Loom Folks!!

Chris Kelly and Greg Kokanour topped the Opt Doubles at 1500 good for \$150 Tomas Chavez and Rich Rodriguez a close second at 1484 and \$130. We paid out \$1,650 in the Doubles and the tandem of Candy "Ms Sweet" Vitalich and Ben Bagaosian win the

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Mystery doubles with a game 2 / 497 score and got \$110 low to cash score of 1376.

Now for the For the Beat-The-Board FINALS in which all qualifiers bowl 3 games and where you finish is Your cashing spot. Top 16 is guaranteed \$100 Min. 3 Women still included after Game1 to make the Top 16 was at +28.and women-2. Leaders were a tie. John Licauco and Chris Slack +70. After the 2nd game, Chris Slack hit it again and led the field +141 followed by Eddie Abarca +106 and Rey Josefat and John Licauco both at

Cut to make the Top 16 after the 2nd game was +55 Men and +38 Ladies.

Now the final 3rd got close as Rey Josefat and Robert Contreras got HOT. They almost caught the front running Slack but in the end Slack dug deep and with-stood Josefat. Contreras on fire almost got there but the top 3 are Chris Slack +164, Robert Contreras a close 2nd +156 and Jovial Rey Josefat +150. It was a long time coming for Mr Slack as he has been a faithful ABTA Member for 9 years.

He did it up big atak Tree taking home a nice \$1,000 1st, a Cash Carry Bonus of \$1,700 and a ABTA Shirt for \$100. So he nabbed a tidy \$2,800. More later on this guy:=) Robert Contreras who won a few weeks back took the runner-up

place worth \$500. Mr. Josefat. 3rd, taking home \$200. Slack was also the Horse winner \$217 (wish I was there). Four lucky bowlers picked Chris in Horses. They each received \$217.

Chris Slack is from La Mirada, married to Lisa for 27 Years!! They have a son Chris Jr. of whom I had the pleasure of meeting once! Chris used a Storm drilled by Billy Myers. He thanks his wife and son for support, Oak Tree Lanes for being a great host for the ABTA. the ABTA staff, Friends and Co-Bowlers, of all the Lord for giving him strength. Needless to say Chris is One of the Good Guys! Congrats again

2nd place Robert Contreras is on a roll. He almost got his second title. He is from La Puente and maried to his #1 Supporter Heidi who he thanks for support.

He used a Marvel-S F Drilled by ABTA Member Aarik Torrez at Covina Bowl. He thanks Heidi for encouragement and where was Bob? If he there he perhaps would have won again?? Woww-

3rd place Rey Josefat is from Long Beach, married to Faye. And how time flies!! He used a 900-Global Raw Profit drilled by ABTA Member Ben Mach at Westminster Lanes. He thanks Faye for support She out bowled and Love.



Chris Slack Wins His First ABTA Title at Oak Tree Lanes

In a very exciting, finish Chris Slack finally wins his first ABTA Title at Oak Tree. It couldn't happen to a nicer man. Topping the night, he was the one to draw for the Match Game 3. He drew HIS. Yes His 199 game 3 score making his night profitable as he shared the Match Game with Beth Borci and Samson Kong. They split the \$4530 and got \$1,510 each. Chris totaled a nice \$4,310 plus sidepot and bracket winnings. WOWWWW! (L-R) Beth Borci 4th \$120 Jeff Taino 5th \$120 (Champion) Chris Slack \$2,800, Robert Contreras Runnerup \$500, Heidi Contreras Robert #1 Supporter and Rey Josefat 3rd \$200.

him again as she hit 1/3 of the Match Game :=)) He is a Friend, ABTA Member, bowler and Director over 15 years. Kudos to Rey!!.

Winner of a new bowling ball from our sponsor, 900 Global, was Dom La Guardia. For our RAFFLE tickets, Adam Drozdz and Henry Hoang each won a Vegas free entry; Conrad Amado and Anthony Dancel each won a regular free entry. Recipients of our Bracket Certificates were Ben Bagaoisan and Conrad Amado.

See you all this weekend at popular Linbrook Bowl in Anaheim with carry over funds of \$3685 in the Match Series. The 3-6-9 is \$2,800 and Match Game estimated at \$1,000. Make plans for our big Memorial Event at Cal Bowl May22-23-24-25. \$12,500 1st w Bonuses. Las Vegas Open at the South Point July 3-4-5-6 \$14,000 w Bonuses. Please see our ad in the California Bowling News or check out our website (www. abta1.com) for our schedule and directions.

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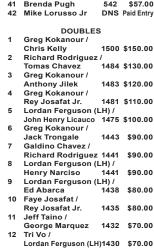
**CUT SCORES** Men: Sat + 94 Women: Sat + 57

SUPER SENIORS: Wendy Soo Hoo +50, Lonzell Burnett +91. HIGH QUALIFER (FREE ENTRY) Men: Richard Rodriguez + 189 Women: Faye Josafat + 133

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3-6-9	\$50.00
Match Game	\$4,530.00
Cash & Carry	\$1,800.00
Shirt & Trophy	\$88.00
Total Payout	\$25,184.50





Chris Slack & Beth Borci are all smiles as they shared a nice \$4,530 Match Game with Samson (Not Pictured). All three are faithful ABTA members and very well deserving!!! It came to \$1,510 each for the threesome.

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#### **Oklahoma's Grand Casino Resort to Host PBA Summer Swing** FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee to host qualifying, match play in May

SEATTLE - The Professional Bowlers Association's 2014 Summer Swing, a multi-tournament event that will be televised by CBS Sports Network, will be hosted by Grand Casino Resort and FireLake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Okla., May 18-25, PBA Commissioner Tom Clark announced today.

The Summer Swing will include four PBA Tour title events - the Wolf, Bear and Badger Opens and the PBA Oklahoma Open and the Oklahoma's Grand Casino Resort Summer King of the Swing special event involving four winners plus a "wild card" player. All five television finals will air on CBS Sports Network on Tuesday nights in June and July. Tournament qualifying and match play rounds will be held at FireLake Bowling Center and the stepladder finals will be conducted on specially-constructed lanes in the Grand Casino Resort Events Center.

The PBA is really excited about returning to Oklahoma and giving the great bowling fans in that area an opportunity to watch a new generation of PBA stars compete in a challenging series of events in the awesome settings of FireLake Bowling Center and the Grand Casino Resort's Events Center," Clark said. "It's been nearly a decade since the PBA Tour had an event in Oklahoma, so we were extremely happy that Grand Casino Resort and FireLake have invited us back.

"It's going to be a fabulous event," Clark added. "We're going to bowl for four PBA Tour titles, conduct a King of the Swing special event, and provide PBA fans around the world with more than 50 hours of live coverage on Xtra Frame in addition to 10 hours of nationally-televised coverage on CBS Sports Network.'

The Summer Swing concept, introduced in 2013 in Milwaukee, produced a pair of first-time PBA Tour titlists (Chris Loschetter of Avon, Ohio, in the Wolf Open and Jake Peters of Decatur, Ill., in the Badger Open) plus victories for Australia's Jason Belmonte (Bear Open), Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas (Milwaukee Open) and "wild card" Norm Duke of Clermont, Fla. (Summer King of the Swing).

The tournaments will be the first PBA Tour events held in Oklahoma since the 2005 Tulsa Championship at The Lanes at Coffee Creek, won by Tommy Jones of Simpsonville, S.C. The eight-day program also will include a PBA Southwest Region tournament over Memorial Day weekend.

The Summer Swing will be limited to a field of 120 players. Entry fee is \$750 for PBA members or \$850 for non-members. Entry fees cover all events; entries are not available for individual tournaments. The Southwest Regional event also will be capped at 120 players. Entry fee will be \$220 (\$285 for non-members).

All qualifying and preliminary match play rounds of the summer swing events will be covered live on PBA's exclusive online bowling channel, Xtra Frame.

Grand Casino Resort is a full-service complex featuring a 262-room Grand Hotel that opened in 2013, restaurants, a golf course and other amenities.

Air dates and times for the PBA Oklahoma Summer Swing will be announced at a later date.

CBS Sports Network is available across the country through local cable, video and telco providers and via satellite on DirecTV Channel 221 and Dish Network Channel 158. For more information, including a full programming schedule and how to get CBS Sports Network, go to www.cbssportsnetwork.com.

#### OKLAHOMA'S GRAND CASINO RESORT PBA SUMMER SWING SCHEDULE FireLake Bowling Center and Grand Casino Resort, Shawnee, Okla., May 18-25

FireLake Bowling Center schedule (all times are Central)

Saturday, May 17 2-5 p.m. - Pro-Am squads

#### Sunday, May 18

Noon – A Squad practice session 3:30 p.m. – B Squad practice session

#### Monday, May 19, PBA Wolf Open

8 a.m. – A Squad, 6 qualifying games 2 p.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games Top 18 advance to second qualifying round 7:30 p.m. – Top 18, 6 qualifying games Top 5 after 12 games advance to stepladder finals

#### Tuesday, May 20, PBA Bear Open

8 a.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games 2 p.m. - A Squad, 6 qualifying games Top 18 advance to second qualifying round 7:30 p.m. – Top 18, 6 qualifying games Top 5 after 12 games advance to stepladder finals

#### Wednesday, May 21, PBA Badger Open

8 a.m. – A Squad, 6 qualifying games 2 p.m. – B Squad, 6 qualifying games Top 18 after 6 games advance to second qualifying round; top 18 after 18 games (combined 6-game first-round Wolf, Bear and Badger totals) advance to Oklahoma Open match play 7:30 p.m. – Top 18, 6 qualifying games Top 5 after 12 games advance to stepladder finals

#### Thursday, May 22, PBA Oklahoma Open Round Robin Match Play

10 a.m. – Top 18, 6 games match play, Wolf pattern 2 p.m. – Top 18, 6 games match play, Bear pattern 6:30 p.m. - Top 18, 6 games match play, Badger pattern Top 5 advance to stepladder finals

#### Friday, May 23

4 p.m. – PBA Southwest Region practice session

#### Saturday, May 24

8 a.m. - PBA Southwest Region A Squad, 8 qualifying games 2 p.m. - PBA Southwest Region B Squad, 8 qualifying games Top 16 after 8 games advance to single-elimination match play

#### Sunday, May 25

10 a.m. - Round of 16 best-of-five-game match play; losers eliminated Noon – Round of 8 best-of-three-game match play; losers eliminated 1:30 p.m. – Semifinal Round, one game matches; losers eliminated 2 p.m. – Championship match, one game

#### OKLAHOMA'S GRAND CASINO RESORT PBA SUMMER SWING CBS SPORTS NETWORK STEPLADDER FINALS SCHEDULE

(all times are Central)

Saturday, May 24 11 a.m. – PBA Wolf Open five-player stepladder finals 2:30 p.m. – PBA Bear Open five-player stepladder finals 6 p.m. – PBA Badger Open five-player stepladder finals

Sunday, May 25

Noon – PBA Oklahoma Open five-player stepladder finals 3:30 p.m. - Oklahoma's Grand Casino Resort Summer King of the Swing five-player stepladder finals (four title winners plus "wild card" player -

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BURBANK — How many times have you heard bowlers complain about their opponent's handicap being so much greater than their own team? Handicap was created to level the playing field, right? The only way this can be effective, in my opinion, is the handicap must be 100% of the highest average. However, if you do that, you may as well bowl scratch.

Team averaging handicap seems to be quite effective though few leagues employ it. I've even heard scratch bowlers complaining about certain teams averages. A team max set in a league is a constant. Rules can be twisted to shift the equality, however. This is why it is important to attend the league meeting.

For everyone, not just the team captains. Be aware of the rules being proposed. My mantra regarding this (as well as governmental issues) is if you don't vote, don't complain. In a nutshell, attend your meeting and participate. After all, it is your

Sunday Night League: (scr) Dylan Jimenez 245, Angela Stansbery 191, Brijesh Patel 695, Julieta Ward 543. (hdcp) Dan Pilgrim 269, Ann Jones 251, Glenn Pisnieski 720, Mike McMahon

Senior Swingers: (scr) Larry McDonald 183, Cres Cruz 169, Win Kato 500, Barbara Teitel 421. (hdcp) Art Michener 210, Kay Samuelsen 203, John DeSantis 594.

Monday All Stars: Youth. (scr) Cameron Takahashi 111, Alissa Frankel 113, Kent Rasmussen 134, Allison Takahashi 186. (hdcp) Matthew Frankel 141, Megan Takahashi 134, Hans Schierholt 232, Kai Goodsell 127.

Monday 690: (scr) Duane Coleman Jr. 245, Ashley Higgins 205, Dave Brubaker 661, Julieta Ward 585. (hdcp) Manuel Gapol 242, Carol Thrasher 233, Dennis Brown 657, Patty Hazzard 625.

LA Metro Telco: (scr) Mike McMahon 265, Courtney Lyon 206, Dave Hansen 633, Peggy Eklund 495. (hdcp) Jimmy Jebejian 292, Joan Hagerty 251, Doug McMillen 718, Debbie Turner 718.

Orbits: Handicap scores only. Kiki Franklin 231, Monica Rangel 230, Jan Levitt 223, Sheyanne Palmer 653, Nancy Sherwood 648, Vicki Olivia 621.

ICF Mixed Trios: Handicap scores only. Chuck Liberto 239/628, Bernie Baima 235, Barbara Teitel 249/648, Rita LeBlanc 232. Senior Foursome: (scr) Ron Durkee 206, Hope Giovanini 168, Doug McMillen 520, Kathy Lilliquist 451. (hdcp) Remo Cruz 244, Dorothy Schmitz 226, Danny Buccola 638, Sue Rapp 638. Thursday 890: (scr) Roger Desgroseilliers 256, Ashley Higgins 200, Jim Viskocil 666, Courtney Lyon 523. (hdcp) John Carter 285, Teri Avanian 250, Alex Whittinghill 782, Linda Wiloh 703.

That's all for now. So until next time...keep the ball rollin'!

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## The Perfect Game

This article staged (Stooged) by Dean "Nyuck-Nyuck" Lopez

Editor's note: Bowling is, and always has been America's sport. Fans don't go to a center to sit and watch; they go to participate. That participation is rewarded during the traditional, season-ending, award ceremony. During the "Golden Age" of bowling, the elaborate "1ST PLACE" trophies became family treasures, proudly displayed on mantles or other places of honor. For years they would serve as cherished reminders of achievement, teamwork, and fond memories of the bygone season. Woe to anyone who left so much as a fingerprint on that esteemed monument!

It is an uneventful day here at the normally bustling offices of the California Bowling News. Not a hint exists of the calamity awaiting the poor author of this column. (Is that a "dirge" I hear being played over the intercom?)

#### Today's Story: A Tribute to Two Bygone Eras

Steve: Hey, everybody! Another nice day in sunny "Cee-Aye!"

Dean: Steve! You're early! Carol isn't here yet.

Steve: Well.....yeah. Someone just called and told me to get my butt in here! Whoever it was said it was important. I thought it was you.

Dean: Me? Uhhh, noooo.....it wasn't me. But as long as you're here, how about doing this week's article with some friends of mine?

Steve: What about Carol?

Dean: Carol? Uhhhhh.....oh, yeah! I just remembered, Carol won't be in today.

Dean: Uhhh... it's her birthday! Yeah, that's it. She always takes the day off when it's her birthday.

Steve: Didn't she just have a birthday a couple weeks ago?

Dean: Yep, she has seven or eight birthdays every year.

Steve: Wow! Makes you wonder how she manages to stay so young. Dean: I knew you'd understand. So......what about today's article?

Steve: Well, okay.....the show must go on, I guess. Where are your friends? Dean: Wait right here and I'll go get 'em. Hey, guys! C'mon in! He fell for it!

Steve: I fell for.....what?

Dean: Steve, I'd like you to meet my best buddies; Larry, Curly, and Moe. MOE! Get your fingers out of Curly's nose!

Moe: Why? He's a imbecile! Dis is de only way I could git him in here!

Curly: Ouch...ouch....Okay! I'm here! Sheeeesh! Moe: Good! Now siddown and shaddup! I'll do all da talkin!

Larry: Hey! Leav 'em alone.. Why do you get to do all the talkin? Moe: Cuz I said so....dat's why! DOINK!

Larry: OWW! MY EYES!

Moe: Any udder questions, wise guy?

Steve: Whoa, whoa, whoa fellows. Take it easy. We just want to have a peaceful conversation

Curly: Oh, a convulsation, eh? About whut?

Steve: The perfect game.

Curly: Oh, that sounds like fun! I like baseball!

Steve: No, it's not about....

Moe: I'll handle dis! He din't say, "Da poifect game", you moron! He said "Da poifect DAME!" Speakin' of who, where is dis Mancini chick Deano's been tellin' us about?

Curly: Yeah! Bring on Carol Mancini! Now she'd be the perfect "game"! Nyuck, nyuck, nyuck! Whoop.....whoop-whoop!!!

Moe: Hey! Show da lady a little respect! SWOOSH!!!

Curly: Ha, ha! Ya missed me!!

Moe: Oh yeah? Well take dis! SLAP!!! SMACK!!! DOINK!!!

Curly: OW! OW! OW!

Steve: DEAN! GET IN HERE! I need you to settle these guys down! DEAN!!!.......Dean?

Larry: Hey, what's this glass thingy?

Steve: DON'T TOUCH THAT! It's Swarovski crystal! It's an award Carol just received to commemorate all her contributions to the game of.....

Larry: oooops.....

Steve: .....bowling.

Crystal Award: SMMAAASSSSHHHHHH!!!!!!

Larry: Uh-oh.....I'm bettin' she's probly gonna miss that.

Steve: Of course she's going to miss it! It's a one-of-kind statue! It's Irreplaceable!.......

Moe: Dey should make sumpthin' dat important outta plastic so's it don't break so easy.....

Curly: Ooooooh.....look at all those little pieces! Got any glue around this joint?

Moe: I'm thinkin' now might be a good time for us to take leave of dis fine establishment! Been a pleasure chattin' wit ya Stevo. BYE!

Steve: DEEEEEEEEEAN!!!!

Larry: See ya, Steve-Oh. You might wanna clean this place up a bit......it's a mess!!!

Steve: DEEEEEEEEEAN!!!!

Curly: ......Canasta!!!!!! Now that's the perfect game! Nyuh-uhh-uh......

Larry: Nah! Wabbits!!! You know, like Bugs Bunny. That's the perfect game! Just ask Elmer.....

Moe: Whadda you.....a coupla wise guys? I'll show you a poifect game.....DOINK!! SMACK!! KICK-IN-THE-PANTS! C'mon let's git outta here!

Larry: OW! OW! OW! Awright, awready!

Curly: Hah! Ya missed me again! Nyuck, nyuck......

Curly: OWWW!!!!!**EPILOGUE** 

Minutes pass. An eerie calm settles over the room. Steve stands alone amid all that remains of Carol's once elegant, "Lifetime-Dedication-to-Bowling" award; a carpet of shiny, broken crystal. He hears the office door creak as it slowly begins to open. Dean hadn't been totally honest when he said Carol wouldn't be in tonight.....

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Grandma's/Grandpa's: Larry Cosgrove 231/605, Fale Sula 208/604, Al Fagafa 21/598, Wayne Moon 207/592, James Kenard 212/581, Billy Williams 570, Ike Sanders 244/567, Tua Sula 206, Vancie Keith 502, Mattie Wylie

Mini Couples: Bill Dennis 703, Rudy Tomaneng 599, Rene Palomo 597, Karen Roubinov 484, Patti Palomo 472, Margie Black 259, Rich Butler 244, Richard Chambers 217, Robert Toy 206, Judy Butler 177, Kathy Liedahl 168, Avelina Cubis 168.

Big Bear: David Patterson 263/743, Butch White 257/683, Emmerson Wafer 236/671, Grover Dye 248/642, Harold Dubose 243/635, Sonny Dew 245/633, Sid Nakagawa 244/631, Todd Cary 623, Billy Anderson 234/618, Chris McIntosh 262/606, Ken Seiple Jr. 593, Michelle Criswell 226/657, Debra Gipson 216/592, Nalmah Williams 233/575, Ella Wilson 235/584.

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Vegas Crackpots: Mike Dees 269/725, Alwyn Woods Sr. 259/697, Jello Gray 244/665, Sean Lemon 255/653, Gerald Williams Jr. 258/638, Raymond Farthing III 619, Bobby Prince 254/611, Janet Love 227/566, Ellen Myers 222/555, Joann Culpeper 520, Teka Williams 512

Laughlin Bowler Bears: Benjamin Harper 237/678, George Parker 225/661, Duante Turner 243/622, Jonathan Gale 214/597, James Talley 216/573, Bea Hackler 210/548.

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Recycled Teens: Boylee Inocente 213/618, Wil Panton 236/607, Eddie Buhay 573, Jojo Jasmin 554, Adela Santos

Young At Heart: Ed Brown i232/663m Ellis Houston 268/662, Paul Peete 270/656, Phil Hulton 229/627, Josh Hudson 234/624, Rey Santos 237/623, Walter Milsap 227/622, Tua Sula 208/565, Danne VanHorn 235, Margo McClain 521.

Corona Ladies: Audrey Louis 199/530, Shirley Dohrman 519, Betty Green 508, Merl Leach 502, Side-pot winners-Game One: Shirley Dohrman 225; Game Two: Caroline Stewart 189; Game Three: Audrey Lewis 232.

Pin Heads: Greg Kelly 236/676, James Kennard 246/638, Shane Oneal 233/634, George Reister 213/618, Tony White 545, Stacy Kelly 532, Barneisha Hull 200/517.

Alley Oops!: Hugh Kemp 559, Shirley Dohrman 526, Becky Carroll 463, James Kennard 190. Side-pot winners-Game One: Julie Grabinski 238; Game Two: Gretchen Howard 223; Game Three: Bertie Martinez 219.

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Marcus Lemons Vegas Outlaws: Shannon Santos 269/779, David Fitsgerald 270/747, Darrion Tipton 741, Emmerson Wafer 279/731, Vernon Adams "300"/721, Mike Villarreal 278/715, Desi Nixon 702, Alicia Ferguson 290/718, Diann Donald 234/652, Shirley Owens 639, Rhonda Wright 245/634, LaJeane Harris 235/626, Annette

Smith 242/624, Rachel Macias 235/613.

Sierra Bugs: Anna VonMuegge 554, Shonna Hernandez 224/552, Pamela Johnson 209/528, Elinor Baratrelle 205/516, JoAnn MacKnight 508. Side-pot winners-Game One: Mary Spencer 243; Game Two: Pam Johnson 209; Game Three: JoAnn MacKnight 219.

Funsters: Ed Brown 265/697, Boylee Inocente 258/672, Fred Guray 647, Al Fagafa 639, Rick Seneris 246/633, Jim Plante 245/618, Paul Wells 222/594, Julie Grabinski 235/646, Adela Santos 200/536, Mattie Wylie 201/54, Flora Martin 532, Linda Kinney 514. Side-pot winners-Game One: Paul Wizzle 259/Julie Grabinski 276; Game Two: Ed Brown 265; June Grabinski 224; Game Three: Steve Ralph 278/Joann Burke 255.

#### **JUNIORS**

(High Scratch Series)

Our Junior Leagues took a bye so the Junior bowlers who qualified could bowl the PEPSI tournament.

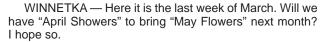
Happy Rollers Forever: Mark Algiers 422, Mike Hallstrom 355, Travis Jenkin 389, Wanda Kinard 329, Nadine Anderson 260, Emily Spivey 268.

Happy Rollers Too: Eric Ross 154, Pamela Okamoto 226, Mary Piaschick 220, Sheryl Murray 215. HAVE A GREAT WEEK!!

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We have scores to bring to you from our leagues here at Canoga Park Bowl. Let's see who made the news this

Van Nuys Eagles: Joe Myers 257/700, Margo Sundy 514, Dede Hall 203, Rick Gamboa 235/662, Ed Jones 546, Joey

Monday Nite Madness: Jess Acosta 215/629, Lourdes Dela Cuesta 515, Jerome Hampton 289, Wayne Coffman 257/583, Paul Dean 220/579, David Schulkin 572, Bob Pfleger 566, Wendy Maceri 465, Travis Coffman 215

Comedians: Justin Rono 248/711, Ellen Eckard 199/563, Dan Onestinghel 267/665, Ron Eisenberg 685, Jon Rono 248/682, Andrew Ibrahim 258/665, Karen Norman 540, Mary Becker 516, Michelle Jones 507, Russ Gothrick 266, David Eisenberg 259

Sport Shot Singles: (4 games) Kevin Gross 279-232/891, Lamont Smith 251/824, Matt Jones 242/768, Aaron Steinberg 748, Jic Opiana 739, George Pluchino 738, Bob Adams 733, Mike Olson 729, Brian Giegoldt 716.

Copper Bucket: Chas Wiggan 255/689, Karen Vance 564, Sean Tucker 258. Ed Jones 672, J.T. Porras 233/611, Gary Reed 240/604, Rusty Yeager Jr. 602, Ed Dominguez 234. 500 Classic: Leah Smith 226/647, Cindy Dominguez 215/624, Henny Shepherd 240/611, Connie Wannomae 244/603, Pam Lind 244/590.

The Classics: Louis Enriquez 222/637, Pam Findl 234/649, Mike Gilbreath 557, Leah Hoffman 202/540, Stella Martinez 529, Bo Fogel 529, Susan Guire 489, Chrissy Williams

Short 'N Sweet: Dale Rubin "300"/671. Kevin Gross 254/679, Angela Wales 232/611, Ron Gage 252/669, Daniel Williams 237/669, Anthony Pavlowsky 237/659, Marsha Williams 462, Gary Gladstone 246, David Athans 237.

SFVCC Nikkei: Pei Eto 223/603, Stan Date 595, Stephen Sasaki 234/581, Kiyoshi Suruki 594, Gilbert Moreno 225/592, Mas Suruki 571, Tami Shiotani 212/541, Noriko Fukunaga 535, Sam Nakata 222, Yuki Matsuba 215, Harry Yamagami 213.

#### JUNIORS

Junior Royals: Justin Pluchino 210/597, Julia Frias 466, Keith Nelson 202/586, Erik Godin 474, Emily Haworth

8 For 8: (2 games) Julian Gutierrez 135/241, Alexia Rivera 105/206, David Quezada 198, Diego Sosa 189, Brynja Asgeirsdottir 110/172, Hrefna Asgeirsdottir 168, Micaela Munoz 159, Malissa Gutierrez 153.

#### **SENIORS**

49'Ers: Howard Rovner 279/683, Carolyn Scherzberg 246/635, Dave Folck 655, Philip Lanni 257/652, Rick Dobris 234/616, Richard Greenzweight 227/580, Eloise Valencia 225/587, Bev Zietz 545, Mary Lauer 534, Barbara Vaccare 513, William Tidemanson 247.

Funtimers: Richard Greenzweight 278/710, Eloise Valencia 516, Marilyn Bigman 197, Rick Kopper 245/670, Al Reiswig 615, Bernhardt Roth 214/602, John Kelly 595, Bev Zietz 510, Carolyn Scherzberg 505, Harriet Faith 460, Mel Neiditch 221, Bill Robb 215, Marv Baker 214.

39'Ers: Jose Blanco 247/687, Carolyn Scherzberg 232/615, Al Reiswig 264, Howard Rovner 257/680, Dave Folck 675, Ron Doll 667, Robert Adams 246/666, Mary Lauer 210/601, Lucy Tralla 215/588, Bernice Nixon 237/526, Lil Baker 508, Philip Lanni 257, Temmy Walker 204.

That was an interesting week of high scores, Stay tuned to this column every week to see what changes occur in our weekly high scores. See ya on the



## **How Smart Are You?**

There are only nine questions.

This is a quiz for people who know everything! I found out in a hurry that I didn't. These are not trick questions. They are straight questions with straight answers..

- 1. Name the one sport in which neither the spectators nor the participants know the score or the leader until the contest
- 2. What famous North American landmark is constantly mov ing backward?
- Of all vegetables, only two can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons. All other vegetables must be replanted every year.
  - What are the only two perennial vegetables?
- What fruit has its seeds on the outside?

Can you name at least half of them?

5. In many liquor stores, you can buy pear brandy, with a real pear inside the bottle.

The pear is whole and ripe, and the bottle is genuine; it hasn't been cut in any way. How did the pear get inside the bottle?

- Only three words in standard English begin with the letters ' dw' and they are all common words. Name two of them.
- There are 14 punctuation marks in English grammar.
- Name the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form except
- Name 6 or more things that you can wear on your feet begin ning with the letter 'S.

#### **Answers To Quiz:**

snowshoes, stockings, stifts.

'S': Shoes, socks, sandals, sneakers, slippers, skis, skates, 9. Six or more things you can wear on your feet beginning with

cessed, cooked, or in any other form but fresh: Lettuce. 8. The only vegetable or fruit never sold frozen, canned, pro

renthesis, braces, and ellipses.

tion mark, exclamation point, quotation mark, brackets, pa comma, colon, semicolon, dash, hyphen, apostrophe, ques 7. Fourteen punctuation marks in English grammar: Period,

6. Three English words beginning with dw: Dwarf, dwell and are ripe, they are snipped off at the stems.

left in place for the entire growing season. When the pears are small, and are wired in place on the tree. The bottle is the bottle. The bottles are placed over pear buds when they 5. How did the pear get inside the brandy bottle? It grew inside

4. The fruit with its seeds on the outside: Strawberry.

for several growing seasons: Asparagus and rhubarb. 3. Only two vegetables that can live to produce on their own

that rush over it every minute. feet each year because of the millions of gallons of water Half a has owt tuode aworn down as and a half. 2. North American landmark constantly moving backward:

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## DONNIE LAYMAN: Why PDW is the G.O.A.T.

NORWALK — This debate is one that the fans of any sport continue to have ad nauseam. Ironically, the argument comes up as one of the greats adds another trophy or accomplishment to their storied careers. As you know, Pete Weber won his 2nd ever TOC when he defeated Jason Belmonte to win this year's Barbasol PBA Tournament of Champions. As I watched the telecast and how the TV pair was breaking down, I honestly couldn't see anyone having a better chance to win than Belmo. Call me crazy, but any telecast with both Belmo and Osku on it is going to end up being a contest of who can strike from the furthest point left on the lane. When reigning PBA Player of the Year Sean Rash seemed to be running out of room to the left in the semifinal match against Belmo, it seemed as if PDW would've been doomed to suffer the same outcome.

But come on, we are talking about PDW bowling for a major title. And after watching him dismantle Belmo, it only further cemented in my mind that he is beyond a shadow of a doubt the Greatest Of All Time.

One could make the same arguments for the late Earl Anthony, Walter Ray Williams Jr. and a handful of other great bowlers through the years. And while the two men I just mentioned may possess more accomplishments on their resumes, none of them have overcome what PDW has. He has had to battle things in his personal life that have destroyed the lives of many athletes. Yet he has persevered. He also had a father who not only could hold his own in this debate, but was also the greatest ambassador our sport has ever had in Dick Weber. No player in the history of our sport, or many others, has had a greater shadow to overcome to establish their own legacy to rival or exceed what the other has accomplished. Pete Weber has done this. He sits tied for 3rd most victories in tour history, tied for most major victories, and has the most regional titles in PBA history. No name is more synonymous with greatness in bowling than the Weber name.

Forget the fact that he has never won a Player of the Year award. In all reality there are many years the voters kept him from having that honor. When its all said and done he will have the best title of all...and that's the greatest bowler ever.

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## **Oscar Chan & Ralph Ramirez III**Break the Badger

Perfect Game on Tough Conditions by Kyle Duster

by David Yamauchi

NORWALK — The JAT headed to Keystone Lanes for the finale of the PBA Challenge Series last Sunday. The last event was held on the very long 52' Badger oil pattern and the heavy oil didn't disappoint- hooking the ball was near impossible even for the stronger two-handers!

In the Farm Club the oil proved a huge challenge as strikes were hard to come by. Greg Adler led qualifying at -11 for 5 games while Stephanie Zavala rode a first game 230 to -38 for 2nd. Anthony Schanen and Dylan Cowling stayed consistent at -82 and -84 while Ralph Ramirez III was low-to-qualify at -153. Kylie Shishima qualified 6th at -125 and had enough sticks to hang on to the PBA Challenge pinfall lead and earned the \$100 bonus gift card.

In match-play, Stephanie Zavala only managed two wins but her 212-187 finish was enough to propel her into the top-seed spot at -61. Qualifying 2nd was Dylan Cowling at -76 and Ralph Ramirez III used a 5-0 match play record to jump from 8th to 3rd and take the final rolloff spot. In the rolloffs, Ralph Ramirez III continued his winning ways taking his 6th straight match 200-173 to advance to the Championship Match against top-seeded Stephanie Zavala. In the final, it was a back and forth match but in the end it was Ralph Ramirez III going undefeated 7-0 in his matches and earning the title 188-171. Congratulations Ralph!

In the Open Division, hooking the ball was still a challenge but Oscar Chan had a great look playing tight fallback en route to a +144 total to lead qualifying by 106 sticks over high-revving two-handed lefty Wesley Low Jr. at +38. Two-handers fell in the 3rd and 4th spots with Patrick Rodriguez at -2 and Kyle Duster at -17. Low-to-qualify were Bobby Hornacek and Tyler Salverda at -82.

In match play, Oscar Chan kept striking winning his first two matches but as his look faded Kyle Duster jumped all over the shot going 5-0 in match-play including an incredible perfect 300 game on the very tough Badger. Duster sat at +311 with Chan second at +95 and Jerome Jordan Jr. climbing from 8th to 3rd with a 4-1 record. Rounding out the top-4 finalists was Wesley Low Jr. hanging on at +53 with a 2.5-2.5 record. In the step-ladder rolloffs, Wesley Low Jr. had a better look on the fresher Championship Pair defeating Jordan Jr. 229-158 to advance to the semifinal verses Oscar Chan. Oscar continued his dominance of the oil taking down Low Jr. 200-188 for a chance to meet tournament leader Kyle Duster for the title. In the final, neither bowler was getting any kind of consistent reaction on the long oil but it was Oscar Chan grinding his way to a 189-167 win and the PBA Badger title. Congratulations Oscar!

The JAT heads to south Orange County for a visit to Saddle-back Lanes in Mission Viejo. For more information log on to our published to the property of the state of the property of the state of the property of the state of the property of



Farm Club Champion Ralph Ramirez III & 2nd Stephanie Zavala



## JAT Sport Junior Recap Patrick Rodriguez Stays in the Zone at Keystone

by David Schiada

NORWALK — To say Patrick Rodriguez is on a hot streak is like saying Belmo puts a few revs on the ball – a massive understatement. Patrick continued tearing up the lanes last Saturday during the JAT Sport Juniors final lap on the Autobahn pattern with games of 220, 247, 218, and 225 for a new league high series of 910.

This latest masterpiece comes on the heels of an awesome performance at the 2014 Southern LA County USBC Youth Championships where he finished second in singles and won doubles, team and all events for his division.

Want more? Well, the unofficial results of the Pepsi District Finals have been posted and guess who is on top of the District 7 Boys U20 standings – Patrick! Congratulations Patrick, keep striking!

Speaking of the Pepsi District 7 Finals, JAT Sport Juniors once again are to be congratulated for their outstanding performances at the tournament held March 15-16 at Oak Tree Lanes in Diamond Bar. Based on the unofficial results, here are the JAT Sport Juniors who will be advancing to the State Finals on May 3-4 at Fountain Bowl:

- •Boys U12 Jared Schiada
- Boys U15 Gabriel Duran, Julian Zavala, David Schnider
- Girls U20 Sarah Schneider, Stephanie Zavala, Mandy Arreola
   Boys U20 Patrick Rodriguez, Joe Grondin, Bert Dominick,

Spencer Van Rijsberyen Youth bowlers interested in joining the JAT Sport Juniors league and taking their game to the next level should contact Armando Zavala at (562) 896-4467.

## **PBA NOW ACCEPTING 2014 BILLY WELU**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

SEATTLE — The PBA has announced is now accepting applications for the 2014 Billy Welu Scholarship Award which recognizes exemplary qualities in male or female college students who compete in the sport of bowling.

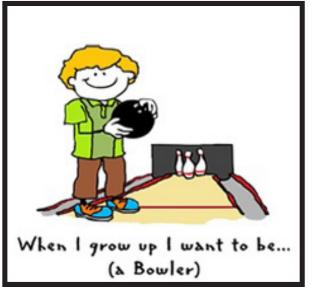
The winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. To be eligible candidates must be amateur bowlers who are currently in college (preceding the application date) and maintaining at least a 2.5/4.0 GPA or equivalent. Applications must be postmarked by June 15.

The scholarship was established to annually recognize a college student who combines outstanding bowling talents with academic excellence. Welu, who passed away in 1974, was best known for his expert analysis alongside legendary ABC broadcaster and PBA Hall of Famer Chris Schenkel on the "Pro Bowlers Tour" series. Welu was a two-time PBA Tour champion and a member of the PBA Hall of Fame's inaugural induction class in 1975. The application is in two parts and can be retrieved by downloading both files using this link:

http://pba.com/Corporate/Scholarships/.



Open Division Champion Oscar Chan and 2nd Kyle Duster





## PBA Announces 12 Tournament PBA50 Tour Schedule for 2014

SEATTLE — The PBA has announced a 12-tournament PBA50 Tour schedule for 2014 which includes two new venues, a new PBA50 Super Senior event and traditional major championships – the Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open and United States Bowling Congress Senior Masters – back-to-back in Las Vegas in June.

For the second consecutive year, a season-long point competition will qualify the top three players for the televised PBA50 Tour Finals which will be conducted during the 2014 PBA World Series of Bowling VI in November.

In addition, selected PBA50 Tour events will again be webcast live on the online bowling channel, Xtra Frame. Details regarding the televised finals and Xtra Frame schedule will be announced later.

For the second consecutive year, the season begins with the PBA50 Pasco County Open at Lane Glo Bowl in New Port Richey, Fla., April 12-15, and concludes with the PBA50 Treasure Island Resort and Casino Open presented by Hammer in Welch, Minn., Aug. 10-13.

New stops on the schedule include the PBA50 Dick Weber Super Senior Classic presented by Storm (July 18-20) and the PBA50 Pro Bowl West Fort Wayne Classic presented by Ebonite (July 20-23) at Pro Bowl West in Fort Wayne, Ind. Only players 60 years of age and older will be eligible to enter the super senior event.

The other new venue on the schedule will be Cave Man Bowl in Grants Pass, Ore., which will host the PBA50 Grants Pass Open presented by Track June 20-23.

The Suncoast Senior U.S. Open presented by Dexter will be held June 1-6 at the Suncoast Hotel and Casino to be followed by the USBC Senior Masters at the South Point Hotel, Casino and Bowling Center June 8-13.

The 2014 PBA50 Tour season will see a new crop of top-level players from the PBA Tour eligible to compete, including PBA Hall of Famer Parker Bohn III of Jackson, N.J.

PBA will begin taking entries for PBA50 Tour events beginning Feb. 10.

#### 2014 PBA50 TOUR SCHEDULE

**April 12-15** - PBA50 Pasco County Open, Lane Glo Bowl, New Port Richey, Fla.

**April 19-22** - PBA50 Sun Bowl In The Villages presented by Radical, Spanish Springs Lanes, The Villages, Fla.

**April 27-30** - PBA50 Miller High Life Classic presented by Columbia 300, George Pappas Victory Lanes, Mooresville, N.C.

June 1-6 - Suncoast PBA Senior U.S. Open presented by Dexter, Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas

June 8-13 USBC Senior Mosters South Point Bowling Center

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**June 15-18** - PBA50 Northern California Classic presented by MOTIV, Harvest Park Bowl, Brentwood, Calif.

**June 20-23** - PBA50 Grants Pass Open presented by Track, Cave Man Bowl, Grants Pass, Ore.

 $\label{lem:July 18-20 - PBA50 Dick Weber Super Senior Classic presented} \ by \ Storm, \ Pro \ Bowl \ West, \ Fort \ Wayne, \ Ind.$ 

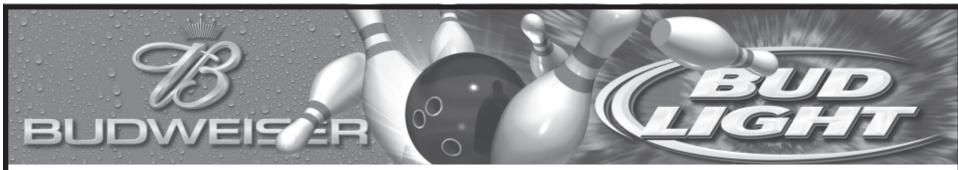
**July 20-23** - PBA50 Pro Bowl West Fort Wayne Classic presented by Ebonite, Pro Bowl West, Fort Wayne, Ind.

**July 28-31** - PBA50 Dayton Classic presented by Roto Grip, Capri Bowling Lanes, Kettering, Ohio

**August 4-7** - PBA50 South Shore Open presented by DV8, Olympia Lanes, Hammond, Ind.

**August 10-13** - PBA50 Treasure Island Resort & Casino Open presented by Hammer, Island Xtreme Bowl, Welch, Minn.





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### Week 1 - Round 5

by Mancini the Great

DOWNEY — The bowling gods smiled on the Ebonite bowlers this week after humbling them for the past 27 weeks. FIST shaking and mumbling was replaced by high fives and congrats.

The first congrats went to Billy Myers Jr. for his game two 300 ..... add in 208 and 276 for 784. Teammates added in some nice numbers like: Mark Curtis 700, Art Jones Jr. 639 and Jared Lawrence 671 for one of the higher series of the night 2794.

ZUNIGA'S PLUMBING couldn't stop the flood of strikes on lanes 19 and 20 posting the high series of 2871 (they lost game three by 11 pins) and didn't sweep five wins into their column.

TIFCO snapped up ZUNIGA'S third game point (by 11 pins, I repeat). Tuff games by the TIFCO foursome; Gary Duran 197, Lee Liu 244, Danny Ly 245 and Mike Jennings 290. More about Lee Liu ... his 279 second game sent him to the bank twice; a side-pot and Advisors Pot.

More big games? Oh Yeah! 279 was the most popular number Monday. No, Leonard, 278 won't get any press! Forget 278 for Larry Campbell. Back to 279 for Herbert Jones, 279 for Lee Liu, 279 for Zack Jellsey ... each one picking up a few bucks.

That VanDaniker guy must have had a few "OH NO" moments to go with his 279, 234, 288/801. Yes Eddie, your 801 was definitely a beaut!

The league will be rolling on the same "house shot" this coming week. I'm predicting at least 3 more 800's.

BOWLERS DEPOT showed real talent and a big set, 2823. Contributors were Brent Ilagan 692, Rick Maldonado 698, Jeff Carr 695 and Joe Jimenez 738.

The average of scores bowled was 220.03. A dramatic leap from the 174 last round. One more week of the "house shot", so enjoy it.

Since all Book Averages will be going in on May 31 (or when the league ends) every week will count this year. No need to juggle for next season!

That May 31 date is for all USBC certified leagues! Every state had a different date and checking averages was a nightmare.

Watch this last round — eight weeks on four patterns — it will be the "games of the century"!

#### **STANDINGS ROUND 5**

(Week I of 8)

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#### **TOP 2 TEAMS ROUND 5**

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Jared Lawrence
Billy Myers Jr.

PINO'S PIZZA-CAL BOWL Ramon Torres Chuck Weeks Josh Tajari Leonard Ruiz Jr.

## **Super Sweeper Pot**

1st - 300 Billy Myers Jr. 2nd - 279 Lee Lui / Zack Jellsey

#### **TOP 10 LAST WEEK**

(On 5th Round House Shot)

**Eddie VanDaniker** 80 I **785 Andre Eubanks 784** Billy Myers Jr. **784 David Cogswell 770 Vernon Adams** 763 **Zack Jellsey 761** Mike Jennings **750 Miguel Garcia** 742 Bobby Campagnale 738 Joe Jimenez **738** Jeff Potts



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