



O'Keefe Rallies to Win 2021 PWBA Bowlers Journal Classic



Shannon O'Keefe

It also was fitting that the title match Thursday night at the International Training and Research Center featured the tour's top two players - O'Keefe and top seed Danielle McEwan of Stony Point, New York - in another epic showdown.

O'Keefe, of Shiloh, Illinois, bounced back from a second-frame split and closed the title tilt with eight consecutive strikes to defeat her longtime Team USA teammate, 243-225. The win was the 14th of O'Keefe's career and earned her a \$10,000 top prize.

The Bowlers Journal Classic was the first event of the PWBA Kickoff Classic Series, which will feature three national tour stops and one regional event during its seven-day run at the

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By: Matt Cannizzaro

ARLINGTON, Texas - In case anyone had questions about how the events of the last year affected Shannon O'Keefe and her momentum on the Professional Women's Bowling

Association Tour, the two-time reigning PWBA Player of the Year offered a quick reminder that she's still the player to beat by winning the 2021 Bowlers Journal Classic, the first event of the new season.

Anthony Simonsen Rolls 279 to Advance to PBA Players Championship Finals

By: Jef Goodger

Jupiter, Fla.—Anthony Simonsen earned a berth in the PBA Players Championship Finals by winning the West Region with a 279 game over fifth-seeded Kris Koeltzow, who averaged 263 in his prior three matches to earn a spot in the final match.

"I had two game plans coming in and it was a matter of which one I was more comfortable with," said Simonsen.

"Because of the way Kris was bowling and his obviously high scoring pace, I thought I was going to have to bowl a really big game, which is why I chose to throw it straighter. I felt like it gave me a little more miss room, at least to the left."

Simonsen, who earned the top seed by leading the West Region through 28 games of qualifying, struck 11 times in the final match, only failing

to do so in the third frame. Unlike Koeltzow's previous three opponents, who elected for Koeltzow to open the match, Simonsen opted to start.

"I want to strike first," said Simonsen. "To me, it doesn't matter how many shows I make, the first strike is the hardest one. Once I get the first one, I can settle in, and I was fortunate for it to work out."

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Just Paying Attention

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George Plimpton

1973 Fundraiser with Hank Aaron

Two weeks ago, I explained how advertising and sponsorships in professional sports work, then last Friday the PBA announced in a press release the Chicago based Guaranteed Rate residential mortgage

broker as the PBA's title sponsor for 2021.

Using a couple of points in the January 14 JPA, I'll outline what could happen to not only the PBA but Guaranteed Rate

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By: Dave Williams

Dave's Corner

It's Time To Stop And Smell The Roses

One positive outcome of the COVID-19 virus, if you can call anything related to the epidemic that infiltrated our shores constructive, would be the additional amount of time that we have had to reflect upon our lives and our surroundings.

In my own personal life, I have been provided with a tremendous amount of free time, since most of my bowling center clients have been greatly compromised by local governments in their ability to operate their business.

This free time has allowed me to think about the lyrics of a popular song performed by Mac Davis from the 1970's called "Stop and Smell the Roses." The lines are almost prophetic approximately fifty years after their release, as



highlighted below:
Hey Mister, where are you going in such a hurry
Don't you think it's time you realized
There's a whole lot more to life than work and worry

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as well.

Guaranteed Rate first jumped into sports advertising buying time on the Super Bowl 50 telecast in 2016. Later that August, the Chicago White Sox announced a deal renaming its ballpark from the original name of Comiskey Park to "Guaranteed Rate Field" through the 2029 season.

Although not the first non-bowling title sponsor (Lumber Liquidators, Denny's), the press release found elsewhere in TBN states the deal also includes "... an array of exclusive marketing and opportunities to connect the brand even further with the PBA Tour, its fans, and events."

One thing Guaranteed Rate undoubtedly looked at was TV viewership demographics to see exactly who is watching, allowing them to develop a marketing plan to make as many positive impressions as possible. As we've seen starting with the 2020 PBA World Championship as one of the final events before the March COVID shutdown, advertising signage was plentiful where audience was previously, offering plenty of space and time to show off those positive impressions.

Denny's was a brand known well before sponsoring the PBA Tour, Lumber Liquidators was not so much. It did become

more so afterward, growing to a point where the brand wasn't renewed and went up the theoretical sports hierarchy ladder to a higher profile sports league.

Although not a title sponsor, Barbasol sponsored several PBA tournaments including the Players Championship and Tournament of Champions before moving on to moving its advertising to major teams' sports.

One huge plus for Guaranteed Rate is it already is a known entity well outside the PBA, so I'm curious what other image positioning (signage, commercials, and other) is in store. We'll probably get a good idea with the regional finals of the PBA Players Championships the next few Sundays on FS1. Don't be totally surprised or offended if it looks different compared to what we're used to seeing.

The advantage for the PBA is this is a chance for it to take a few steps of its own back up the sports advertising hierarchy ladder to where it was decades ago on ABC. Keep in mind, sports marketing and television rights fee structures which used to be the main revenue stream is now part of several revenue streams with potentially more money for the prize fund and The Association.

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Finally, this week, a note to longtime Texas Rangers fans who recall their early years at

the original ballpark in Arlington, old Arlington Stadium. One visiting ballplayer hit only .167, 5 for 30, in his appearances over nine games and two seasons. Among those five hits were three singles, a double, and a three-run homer. But that 1975 home run was the 737th of his legendary career.

For younger Ranger fans, Henry Aaron played his final two seasons with the Milwaukee Brewers, ending in the same city where his original team, the Braves, called home for the first twelve seasons of his 23 MLB seasons.

Aaron was not known as a bowler, but did so for charity events, like Pittsburgh Pirate Willie Stargell's annual fundraiser for Sickle Cell Anemia research. In the photo seen here in the November 1973 fundraiser in Pittsburgh, pictured are three Baseball Hall of Famers and legends in their home cities, Stargell, Aaron, and Baltimore Oriole pitcher Jim Palmer.

Another Aaron memory comes from writer and author George Plimpton, who wrote several books and articles about being an active athlete in various sports. "Paper Lion" was his most notable book about being a quarterback for the Detroit Lions in preseason camp.

Plimpton wrote articles for Sports Illustrated in that 1973 off season describing Aaron's life in a bubble one homer shy of Babe Ruth's record. At a February 1983 appearance at my alma mater, St. Cloud State University, I asked Plimpton about what it was really like that winter. First after giving me a look of surprise a college student would ask such a question about something that occurred nearly a decade earlier when that student was in grade school, his face turned somber then explained how strained Aaron became from receiving hundreds of thousands of pieces of mail of love and hate, spending much of the 1973 season apart from teammates due to death threats.

We've learned since how strained Aaron became that off season in preceding years, but Plimpton was first to break that angle of the story. I wish I was able to record a formal interview, but he requested no local media coverage that night, appearing as a favor to a professor on campus. This is what I remember from our exchange.

"It was simply unspeakable what he went through. Although the mail was fairly even, he took the amount of hate mail pretty hard, keeping a lot of it. Don't get me wrong, he was very appreciative of the support on the cusp of breaking

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Jon DeLaney, JB's Allen Bowl	799
Bill Holland, Forum Bowl	791
Ben Tunnell, Cowtown Bowling Palace	782
Eddie Matthies, Jr., Strikz	737
Donny Yow, Red Bird Lanes	690
Randy Hawks, Ennis All Star Bowl	670

Women

Kiyoko McDonald, Plano Super Bowl	779
Kiyoko McDonald, Forum Bowl	705
Lydia Gilbert, JB's Allen Bowl	697
Sarah Cole, Cowtown Bowling Palace	668
Lauren Cathey, Red Bird Lanes	665
Loren Tenczar, Strikz	603
April Hopkins, Ennis All Star Bowl	598



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Making his TV finals debut, Koeltzow climbed the stepladder from the fifth position, knocking out Darren Tang, Jakob Butturff and Wesley Low Jr. along the way. Koeltzow put up scores of 269, 268 and 254 before rolling a 205 against Simonsen.

"I'm happy to be back bowling, especially for a major, and I put a lot of practice in," said Simonsen. "Something clicked a couple days before the qualifying rounds and I've been really comfortable since."

Simonsen is the first player to advance to the PBA Players Championship Finals, which will feature the winners from all five regions competing for a major championship title and a top prize of \$250,000. Simonsen will be attempting to win his third career major title and second Players Championship,

which he previously won in 2019.

The PBA Players Championship Finals will air live on FOX Broadcast Channel Feb. 21.

FINAL STANDINGS

Anthony Simonsen, advances to PBA Players Championship Finals

Kris Koeltzow, earns \$15,000

Wesley Low Jr., \$13,000

Jakob Butturff, \$11,000

Darren Tang, \$10,000

MATCH SCORES

Match 1 - No. 5 Koeltzow def. No. 4 Tang, 269-245

Match 2 - No. 5 Koeltzow def. No. 3 Butturff, 268-213

Match 3 - No. 5 Koeltzow def. No. 2 Low, 254-226

Match 4 - No. 1 Simonsen def. No. 5 Koeltzow, 279-205

UPCOMING PBA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP TELEVISION SCHEDULE

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 Sunday, Feb. 14 at 1 p.m. ET on FS1 - South Region Finals
 Sunday, Feb. 21 at 12:30 p.m. ET on FOX - PBA Players Championship Finals



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a record of the first baseball icon, but the hate mail really, really wore on him. Couldn't be out in public without a bodyguard, kids were escorted into school, things like that," Plimpton said.

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Next week, the PBA Players Championship shows kickoff on FS1 and the return of the PWBA. Stay tuned.

At Red Bird Lanes

Yow topples 690, Cathey snags 665

Donny Yow earned the top spot on the honor roll last week at Red Bird Lanes as he fired a rip-roaring 246-222-222 = 690 Bits & Pieces series.

Lauren Cathey rolled a tidy 235-247-183 = 665 Career Girls set to lead the lady bowlers.

HONOR ROLL

Julie Potter 188-523, Gavin Maxwell 242-679, Billy Cathey 225-641, Shannon

Vogel (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 278-1021, Lauren Cathey (9 pin, no tap, 4 games) 278-953, Irene Busby 159-435.

Marie Compton 169-444, Jermaine Moore 220-626, Karen Strang 174-475, David England 203-590, Darnette Hardin 204-585, William Moore 257-660, Darnette Hardin 192-520, Angela Chalmers 168-497, Shannon Vogel 226-676, Lauren Cathey 238-645.

At Ennis All Star Bowl

Hawks shoots 670, Hopkins lands 598

Randy Hawks topped the honor roll for the week at Ennis All Star Bowl with a freewheeling 258-189-223 = 670 Ennis Mixed Classic series.

April Hopkins paced the gals with a fine 158-246-194 = 598 Pairs & Spares set.

HONOR ROLL

April Hopkins 219-576, Billy Cathey 257-647, Lauren Cathey 198-560, Gary Thomas 223-632, Lisa Bittle 199-523, Philip Nobles 247-562, Bobby Kennedy 214-551, Mary Kennedy 210-533, Tice Hopkins 205-549, Mary Sikes 162-438.



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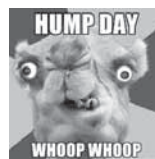
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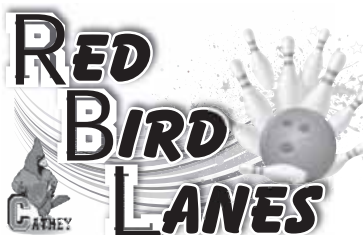
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ITRC, the home of Team USA. The PWBA Tour's historic return to the spotlight was broadcast live on BowlTV.com and marked the first time since September 2019 a PWBA Tour title had been awarded. The 2020 season was canceled due to COVID-19.

"This feels so amazing for multiple reasons," said O'Keefe,

NCTUSBC Youth Scores

Angel Orozco topped the Fort Worth-area USBC youth bowling last week with a thundering 219-246-253 = 718 2020 Storm Winter Strikers series at Cowtown Bowling Palace.

Stephanie LeClear, from Forum Bowl, paced the girls with a rollicking 216/535 Forum Strikers set.

At Cowtown Bowling Palace - Kyle Smith 247, Gyanna Simmons 176-478, Sommer Swiney 154, Lucas Helka 234, Gracie Hinz 148, Jake Swift 219, Gabriel Marquez 136-354, Alora Redwine 98, Raul Esquivel 121, Kyndal Smith 95-257, Troy Gaudette 98, Brooke Brown 59, Cristian Dubon 115, Elizabeth Cain 77, Paul Helk, Jr. 92, Dallas Rinebold 82.

At Forum Bowl - Cohen Jones 112-208, Ava Harriman 75-141, Leland Kelley 166-421, Lindsey George 110-278, Tyler Brooks 232-621.

YOUTH TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

NCTUSBC Youth City Tournament
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a 41-year-old right-hander. "It has been so long since we competed, but I was trying hard not to get wrapped up in that. I just wanted to make sure I could turn off my practice brain after all this time and get back into a competitive mindset. And, it's never about comparing one calendar year to the next. Instead, I always try to focus on the process and being appreciative of each opportunity to compete. To pick up where I left off and start this year with a win is incredible."

McEwan had the early momentum in the match, striking on three of her first four shots, but she did not strike again until the ninth frame. O'Keefe started the finale teetering between two bowling balls and some subtle moves based on how her semifinal win ended, but after leaving the 4-6-7-9-10 split in the second frame, she forced herself to commit to a game plan and was able to regain control.

O'Keefe also was the last

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Dallas USBC Youth Scores

Dawson Byrd led the Dallas-area USBC youth bowling last week with a high-powered 213-214-212 = 639 Saturday Showstoppers series at Plano Super Bowl.

Carlen Gattenby led the girls with a classy 180-214-190 = 584 Youth Sunday Scratch set at JB's Allen Bowl.

At Ennis All Star Bowl - Manny Escobar 150-373, Morgan Hopkins 175-516.

At JB's Allen Bowl - Josh Budnik 178-497, Cooper Powell 136-340, Adrian Allen 143-359, Evan Tran 140-403, Alberto Svedvik 183-517, Annika Svedvik 165-419, Tanner Beshearsw 149-350, Cooper Powell 95-257, Issac Wilson 155-417, Bryan Coggins 135-394, Lydia Breidenthal 132-374, Heather Hubbard 171-467.

At Plano Super Bowl - Caleb Ebner 193-428, Olive Sterling 117-312, Jacob Felder 227-549, Ally Lee 158-443, Mya Murray 192-480, Cole Phan 218-516, Tori Franklin 188-524, Raul Castilleja,

Jr. 234-635, Brittany Eaton 159-451, Robbie Baum 149-414, Isabella Hudson 157-425, Diego de la Torre 221-471, Charisse Graham 174-489, Brandon Ingram 223-545, Katie Heady 200-560, Noah Raleigh 214-595, Jake DeVoe 216-585, Katie Heady 177-493, Vanessa Renfro (2 games) 73-142.

At Strikz - Zachary Smullen 235-626, Colton Bervig 210-587, Tyler Keeton 199-531, Turner Spofford 199-526, Ethan Long 186-501, Logan Solis 187-500, Enrique Arredondo 175-446, Matthew Bervig 156-427, Wyatt Curtis 156-463, Owen Smullen 157-421, Brandon Moon 176-460, Jakob Haraputczyk 165-419, Roman Reece 147-424, Patrick Thomas, Jr. 165-422, Caleb Stovall 160-451, Lee Whitney 166-404, Matthew Lopez 192-485, Kevin Martinez 173-465, Madison Damer 176-501, Tori Franklin 178-489, Ireland Spofford 157-468, Alexia Moon 164-464, Jayme Brooks 145-334, Julia Rouse 112-305, Anthony Gamboa 74-194, Isaiah Reece 68-195, Jude May 71-187, Alyssa Eller 79-181, Caleb Cunningham 81-227, Russ Johnson 114-289.


YOUTH HONOR ROLL

Boys

Angel Orozco, Cowtown Bowling Palace	718
Dawson Byrd, Plano Super Bowl	639
Zachary Smullen, Strikz	626
Tyler Brooks, Forum Bowl	621
Alberto Svedvik, JB's Allen Bowl	517
Manny Escobar, Ennis All Star Bowl	373


Girls

Carlen Gattenby, JB's Allen Bowl	584
Katie Heady, Plano Super Bowl	560
Stephanie LeClear, Forum Bowl	535
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Gyanna Simmons, Cowtown Bowling Palace...	478



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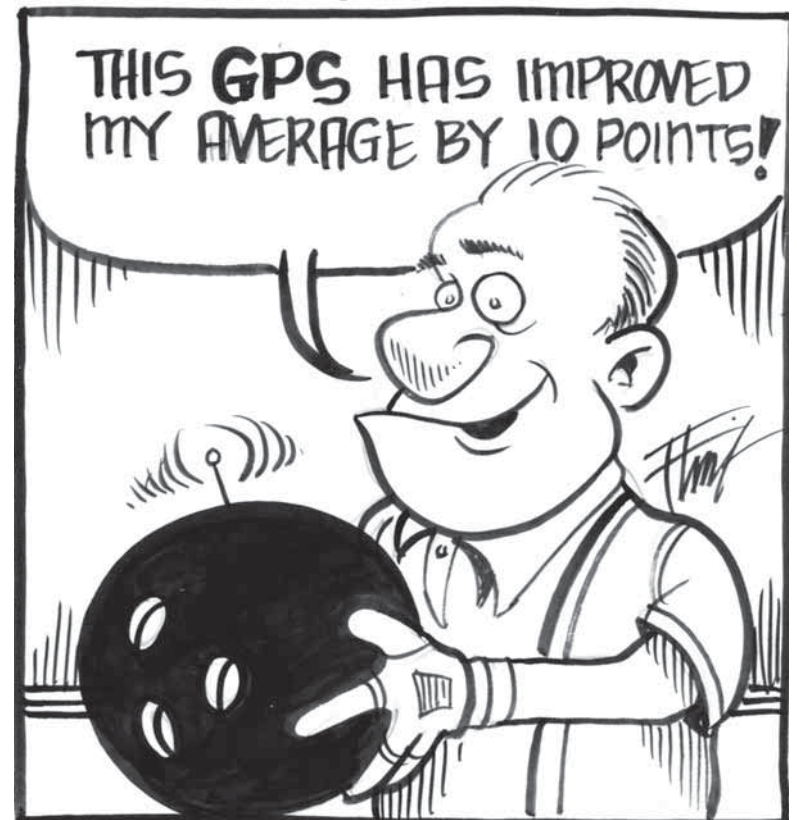
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person to claim a championship trophy, which she did at the 2019 PWBA Tour Championship for her third career major title. That victory was the final piece of a five-win season that included her second consecutive PWBA Player of the Year Award.

In both 2018 and 2019, McEwan was the runner-up in the player-of-the-year race, and she has been among the top five on the PWBA Tour's points list each year since the organization's relaunch in 2015.

During the same span, McEwan has collected five PWBA Tour titles, one in each of her five seasons, and her success includes two major victories. Her first win, also her first major, came at the 2015 PWBA Tour Championship, the last PWBA event to be held at the ITRC.

At Plano Super Bowl

Parman explodes 298/831, McDonald blasts 779

Craddock 809, Bullough, Fugitt 300's, Davis and Lankford 299

Geoffery Parman high-stepped his way to the top of the honor roll this week at Plano Super Bowl by shooting a dual, award-winning 298-286-247 = 831 Pepsi Classic series.

Scott Craddick finished close behind Parman with an award-winning 809 Track Classic Trio outing.

Kiyoko McDonald dominated the ladies scoring race with a power-packed 254-279-246 = 779 Pepsi Classic set.

David Bullough and James Fugitt shared high-game honors as each recorded award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Raul Castilleja, Sr. 242-687, Genie Franklin 269-770, Zach Howarth 198-521, Jon Crump 256-719, Sarah Hopkins 206-541, Matt Sulzer (4 games) 279-941, Tracey Stafford (4 games) 221-760.

Ross Wisdom 279-781, Roneshia Williams 192-570, Harmel Whiteker 226-576, Joni Coble 168-450, Mike Gray 235-684, Monica Adams 225-546, Jim McGarvey 277-723, Sybil Kowalski 206-581.

Ashley Crowe 192-507, Mike Walker 234-665, Mary Jackson 207-570, Jim Meadows 201-546, Wanda Averett 159-453, Joe Loung 268-782, Ashlynn Starry 234-668, Dottie Culpon 193-522.

Jimmy Land 268-750, Diane Wallentine 223-611, Linda Blain 193-566, Richard Steffen 183-519, Kathy Burt 169-471, Frank Ingoglia 236-669, Dottie Culpon 203-523, Justin Westerman

The last time McEwan and O'Keefe faced off for a PWBA title was at the 2019 BowlerX.com Orlando Open, where O'Keefe escaped with a 207-202 victory. A week later, McEwan topped O'Keefe for the singles gold medal at the 2019 World Bowling Women's Championships.

To set up the championship meeting with McEwan on Thursday, O'Keefe turned in a 10-strike, 245-212 performance against their red-hot Team USA teammate Missy Parkin of Laguna Hills, California. After opening with five strikes, O'Keefe was slowed only by a 2-10 split in the sixth frame and an 8 pin in the ninth frame.

In the opening match, Parkin was able to continue the momentum that helped her into the stepladder, and she delivered a final-frame strike to sneak past fellow PWBA Tour champion Erin McCarthy of Omaha, Nebraska, 238-227.

Parkin catapulted into the

top four by finishing match play with games of 258 and 238. The late surge, plus 30 bonus pins for winning each game, helped her erase a sizeable deficit that still was 72 pins heading into the position round.

The Hall of Fame Classic will feature the week's top 24 performers, based on their 18-game pinfall totals from the Bowlers Journal Classic and ITRC Classic. Each event also will feature a different lane condition.

The prize fund for each of the three national tour stops will be \$65,000, with \$10,000 going to each champion.

The 2021 PWBA Tour season will feature 20 events, highlighted by the introduction of the Classic Series events and an increase in the season's overall prize fund by nearly \$400,000.

To learn more about the PWBA Tour, visit PWBA.com.

2021 PWBA Bowlers Journal Classic

At the International Training and Research Center

Arlington, Texas

Thursday's results

FINAL STANDINGS

1, Shannon O'Keefe, Shiloh, Ill., 488 (two games), \$10,000

2, Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 225 (one game), \$5,000

3, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 450 (two games), \$3,500

4, Erin McCarthy, Omaha, Neb., 227 (one game), \$3,000

STEPLADDER RESULTS

Match No. 1 - Parkin def.

McCarthy, 238-227

Semifinal - O'Keefe def.

Parkin, 245-212

Championship - O'Keefe def.

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258-722.

Lena Terry 182-493, Steve McBride 239-711, Lizzy Kahrs 203-579, David Bullough (4 games) 1072, Kiyoko McDonald (4 games) 1027, Darius Colvin 267-745, Delanda McGhee 225-606.

Chris Davis 275-689, Cynthia Bradford 221-612.

At Cowtown Bowling Palace

Tunnell turns in 299/782, Cole clobbers 668

Beasley, Ray 300's

Ben Tunnell ended as the number-one bowler of the week at Cowtown Bowling Palace with a rip-roaring 279-204-299 = 782 Tropical Tuesday league session.

Sarah Cole posted a chart-topping 247-203-218 = 668 Monday Mixers set to lead the lady bowlers.

Adam Beasley and Kelly Ray shared high-game honors with award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Harlan Tunnell 276, Mike Karpinski 269, Chuck Walton, Jr. 257, LuAnn Satchell 214, Chris Dugan 278, Mark DeBoer 268, George Stilen 267, Miki Jo Parish 226-605, Tony Rogers 266-746.

Stella Evans 225, Larry Cox 254, Michelle Teel 212, Adam Beasley 755,


Amy Drescher 248-660, Kelly Ray 775, Julie McHugh 231, Chris Barnes 269, Cherie Deleon 229-635, K W Gibbins 256.

Danielle Sapp 242, Jeremy Craft 249, Jacki Craft 232, Jonathan Wood 248, Amy Adams 227-636, Ray Ballaro 236, Diane Dudley 218, Mitch Dobbyn 231, Amie Gracie 207-554, Kevin Moore 225-644.

SENIORS

Ramiro Botello, Sr. 268, Wanda Vantrease 215, Johnny Zaskoda 258-739, Ruth Reed 205, Woody Godbey 236, Cheryl Killough 202-591, James Jantz 201, Sandy Bell 195, Randy Beinlich 257-691.

Cheryl Killough 189-522, Ken Eilert 238, George Hernandez, Sr. 235.



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DAVE'S CORNER

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The sweetest things in life are free
And there, right before your eyes

With all of this free time that I have been provided, I've had an opportunity to do some things that I've wanted to do for years, including cleaning out an accumulation of over 50 years of documents and old clothing. And yet, every time I throw away an article of clothing or an old file, I immediately regret discarding that item!

Another opportunity that I have had during the past year is to enjoy all of God's creatures great and small that surround us in our daily lives. I am reminded of my childhood in the tiny town of Sebastopol, Calif., when nature was all around me in our small farm of one acre within the city limits. We had almost every type of fruit or vegetable that you could imagine, including but not limited to corn, carrots, tomatoes, lettuce, cherries, apples, peaches, and just about any other seed that you care to place in the ground.

We also had an incredible amount of wildlife on that property, including an all-time high count of eighteen cats, before neutering of pets became the norm. A funny story that comes to mind and revolves around those cats involves my Mom's interest in almost any living creature. When I had reached the age of ten, she decided to return to college and pursue a degree in Zoology.

At Strikz

Matthies, Jr. flies 737, Tenczar taps 603

FRISCO – Eddie Matthies, Jr. led the scoring last week at Strikz with power-packed 259-268-210 = 737 numbers in the Lousy Bowlerz league showing.

Loren Tenczar posted an outstanding 211-181-211 = 603 Thursday Throwdown set to lead the ladies honor roll.

HONOR ROLL

Tommy Davis 247-686 Spencer Spofford 220-630, Scott Noll 225-627, LaMarr Moss 226-619, Joseph Jimenez 257-616, Robert McGraw 223-613, Jason Haraputczyk 210-602, Arvese McGraw 196-562.

Loren Tenczar 213-583, Rick Irvine 213-589, Julie Bloodworth 201-524, Candy Torrey 192-531, Suzanne Ferguson 206-529, Debbie Colby 202-556, Cathy Eberly 208-540, Debby Bennett 176-507.

Billie Bennett 258-606, Kevin Connell 216-637, Greg Foster 232-615,

My Mom immediately became the teacher's "pet," probably because she was closer to the teacher's age, but also because she could not stand to see any of the experimental creatures destroyed. This resulted in a stable of mice, rats, guinea pigs, birds, and the like, that were added to our accumulation of cats and dogs at our home.

One of those rats that I had used in a Science Project for school escaped one day and we looked everywhere to try and find him, later discovering that he had burrowed into a geranium planter box. But at the time that he escaped, we just assumed that he had run away or would eventually show up.

Later that day my Mom proceeded to feed all of those 18 cats on an old pizza tray filled with cat food. When we looked outside, we were surprised to see all of the cats surrounding the tray of food, but none were eating. When we went outside to investigate, we discovered the missing rat feasting on the

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At Forum Bowl

Holland scorches 300/791, McDonald jams 705

Forde II 300

Bill Holland was red hot at Forum Bowl last week after pounding out an award-winning power-packed 300-289-202 = 791 Sundowners series.

Kiyoko McDonald turned in the top score for the ladies with

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McEwan, 243-225
MATCH PLAY
(21 games, 30 bonus pins for a win, 15 bonus pins for a tie)

1, Danielle McEwan, Stony Point, N.Y., 10-2-0, 5,088. 2, Shannon O'Keefe, Shiloh, Ill., 8-4-0, 4,912. 3, Erin McCarthy, Omaha, Neb., 8-4-0, 4,903. 4, Missy Parkin, Laguna Hills, Calif., 7-5-0, 4,732.

DID NOT ADVANCE

5, Valerie Bercier, Spring Lake, Mich., 5-7-0, 4,711, \$2,500. 6, Lindsay Boomer-shine, Perry, Utah, 6-6-0, 4,659, \$2,150. 7, Anggie Ramirez-Perea, Austin, Texas, 5-7-0, 4,656, \$2,125. 8, Jillian Martin (n), Stow, Ohio, 4-8-0, 4,606, \$2,075. 9, Ashly Galante, Palm Harbor, Fla., 5-6-1, 4,588, \$2,000. 10, Maria José Rodriguez, Colombia, 4-7-1, 4,567, \$1,900.

11, Kristie Leong (n), Daly City, Calif., 5-7-0, 4,419, \$1,850. 12, Maria Bulanova, Russia, 4-8-0, 4,320, \$1,800.



DAY OF WEEK	LEAGUE NAME	TYPE OF LEAGUE	START DATE	START TIME
Monday	Monday Mixers	5 Person Mixed	Jan. 4th	6:30pm
Tuesday	Morning Glories	3 Person Ladies	Jan. 5th	10:30am
Tuesday	Penniless	5 Person Mixed	Jan 5th	6:00pm
Wednesday	Senior League	2 Person Mixed	Jan.6th	10:00am
Wednesday	Lousy Bowlers	5 Person Mixed	Jan. 6th	6:30pm
Thursday	Senior Morning Fun Bowl	2 Person Fun Bowl	Jan. 7th	11:00am
Thursday	Thursday Quattro	4 Person Mixed	Jan. 7th	6:30pm
Saturday	Youth League	4 Person Youth Mixed	Feb 6th	9:30am

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a sizzling 244-193-268 = 705 Fast Lane Trio set.

George Forde II shared high-game honors with Holland as each registered award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL

Jeanne Hester 192-519, Sheila Burger 244-617, Lupe Reyna (9 pin) 300-843, Lori Hansen (9 pin) 146-359, Justin Johnson 279-762, Dena Buffington 267-640, D J Garrett 259-719, Alesia Puckett 189-554.

Derrick Oemy 220-602, Gena Breedlove 237-554, Anthony Rowe 228-620, Susan Brownell 165-450, Phil Chovanec 279-760, Alesia Pickett 247-607, Jerry Ankenbrandt 266-680, Darla Housner 156-451.

Regina Taddy 238-622, Terry Taylor (4 games) 268-988, Kiyoko McDonald (4 games) 909, Russel Fox (9 pin) 300-722, Janet Swope (9 pin) 266-697, Cameron Adkison 253-713, Regina Stewart 246-658.

Tony Hodge 236-691, Mona Burke 237-543, Ron Boroff 258-751, Tamara Hamilton 233-689, Dwight Moore 279-783, Deneen Wilson 229-673, Jimmy McGahan 264-717, Melissa George 267-625.

Mitchell Edwards 219-622, Felicia Benjamin 185-460, George Forde II 706, Sherron Davis 167-463, Nicholas Spears 225-595, Veronica Sherrin 202-585, Steven Nutt 234-585, Luann Burkhalter-Mills 143-384.

SENIORS

Jerry Moore 242-661, Debbi Czajkowski 276-623.

Kimberly Emerson 207-542, Gena Sellers 182-457, Sue Ellis 157-453, Sherri Lyons 191-502, Jacki Myrice 244-562.

Cathy Eberly 182-506, Jason Shuffield 244-654, John Kenwell 202-576, Mark Donnelly 214-605, Suzanne Ferguson 181-501, Debbie Colby 194-533, Ron Rankin 228-610, Rick Irvine 221-640.

Jacki Myrice 178-527, Cathy Eberly 186-516, Skip Jenkins 232-634, Sean Wade 232-570, Candy Torrey 214-593, Robert Gray 198-512, Scott Smith 225-632, Charles Newman 221-534.

Bryan Vorel 223-576, David Gallagher 189-508, Robert Gorrbeeck 204-507, David Gorrebeeck 240-629.

SENIORS

Ernesto Janniere 235-601, Zo Sexton 211-562, Bob Gray 208-548, Bob Lanzing 219-545, Jack Greeley 236-501, Bill Kopenhaver 169-459, Pete Sena 175-455, June Barnhill 131-379, Bonnie Long 142-367, Madeline Gentry 167-371.

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food, while all of the cats were content to sit and watch!

The Mac Davis song from 1974 continues:

You got to stop and smell the roses

You've got to count your many blessings everyday

You're gonna find your way to heaven is a rough and rocky road

If you don't stop and smell the roses along the way

Did you ever take a walk through the forest

Stop and dream a while among the trees

Well you can look up through the leaves right straight to heaven

You can almost hear the voice of God in each and every breeze

The condominiums where I now live in New Jersey do not allow pets... no cats

and no dogs. I miss cats, but have discovered during the COVID-19 shutdown that I have many pets that I never took the time to notice! Among my favorites are five blue jays that show up every morning at 7:30 AM - they are very punctual! Did you know that blue jays love peanuts? They actually prefer peanuts in the shell, rather than processed nuts. It's a hoot to watch them grab the peanut shell in their beaks and fly off.

Another outdoor pet that enjoys peanuts in the shell are two squirrels that visit, usually after the bluejays at 7:30 AM, and then again at 11:30 AM.

The squirrels are not as shy as the birds and will come right to the door and take the nut from my hand. They then scurry to the edge of the deck where they proceed to break open the shell.

As Mac Davis relates in his song, I have been taking a walk of about a mile almost every day. The number of flowers

that blossom (even as late as November here in New Jersey) are remarkable, with many smaller than a fingernail. They seem to take turns, with one showing off their vibrant colors for a couple of days, before being supplanted by another.

Upon further investigation, I've noticed that these beautiful creations are actually a treat for deer and small rabbits that frequent our property along a couple of streams that flow through the development. The rabbits are most often seen at dawn, while the deer can be seen nibbling on leaves and grass in the afternoon.

I'm sure that these are all things that most of you have noticed in your lifetime, but they would not have been possible for me without the shutdown of our bowling industry by the highly contagious flu virus that attacked our country almost one year ago. So, take a tip from Mac Davis and turn off the television - go for a walk and escape all of the unnecessary political and cultural hubbub on the boob tube. It's a beautiful world outside, filled with all God's creatures great and small.



At JB's Allen Bowl

DeLaney produces 300/799, Gilbert crafts 697

Young 299

Jon DeLaney fired a robust 234-300-265 = 799 Thursday Lunchtime Doubles series to take top honors for the week at JB's Allen Bowl.

Lydia Gilbert took the top spot on the honor roll for the ladies with an outstanding 247-183-267 = 697 TGIF Bowlers outing.

J R Young took runner-up accolades with a near-perfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL

Cynthia Rogers 150-394, James Hale 247-719, Cindy Powell 221-565, Chris Sivak 245-676, Max Scott 258-730, Susan Miller 179-496, Keith Beagle 269-733, Heather Nedved 215-603.

Max Scott 266-713, Cindy Powell 245-658, Kurt Gengelbach 244-710, Brittany Davis 135-320, Nick Lankford 268-774, Cynthia Bradford 256-680.

SENIORS

Bill Kaiser 229-609, Kimbo Emerson 199-572, Dale Delmar 212-604, Jeanette Hooper 182-483.

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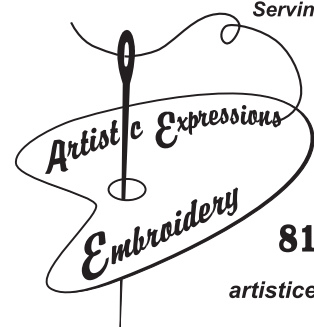


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