

## Stefanie Johnson and Parker Capra Win Texas Bluebonnet Queens and Masters

By: Tony Franklin, Publisher SAN ANTONIO, TX - Stefanie Johnson and Parker Capra are both brand new champions of the Bluebonnet Queens and Texas M asters tournaments.


Stefanie Johnson and Parker Capra

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For PWBA star Johnson, this was her first time taking home the Texas tiara that all Queens champions earn for this special victory. She was the wire-towire leader of both qualifying rounds and the eight games of match-play. She finished 218 pins ahead of 2nd place finisher, Jovan Ebalaroza-Flores.
"I noticed that a lot of the girls were playing the pattern straighter and I was left of them the whole time, Jovan was the only one that was in the same part of the lane with me," Johnson said on the keys to success.

She has also been working overtime with the Chris Warren Pro Shop to make some adjustments to her game, "I've been going through a massive
fit change, I only had six balls with me and that was so helpful to only have six, it allowed me to make quicker changes," she added.

Johnson earned \$1,040, the tiara and an entry into the USBC Queens tournament for 1st place, with Ebalaroza-Flores earning $\$ 825$ for 2nd. There were 42 entries for this year's event.

Other Finalists:
3. Anita Arnett \$625
4. Kiyoko McDonals $\$ 515$
5. Kelsi Anderson $\$ 405$
6. Paige Beeney $\$ 355$
7. Estafanie Cobo \$305
8. Kristina Kennicutt \$280 Other Cashers:
9. Genie Franklin $\$ 255$
10. Nicollette Gaudette $\$ 235$ Continued on Page 3

## Tony Franklin Wins PBA50 Loveland Southwest Open



Champion Tony Franklin with Clark Frison, GM, and Chad Canfield, Owner

## By: Tony Lanning

LOVELAND, CO - Sweetheart Ten Pin Bowling in Loveland, Colo., brought in 51 competitors on the Mike Aulby pattern, where PW BA Hall of Famer Tish Johnson took the lead after the first round of eight games at +246 in her
home state.
Tom Hess smoked the field in the first advancer round, averaging almost 250 for his six games. He held onto the No. 1 seed for the stepladder, with Ricky Schissler, Bryan Pogor and Tony Franklin joining him. Continued on Page 2

## Tori Franklin Wins HS Reg II Girls Singles; Sets Two State Records



Tori Franklin
By: Genie Franklin, Publisher
PLANO, TX - Tori Franklin, a sophomore at Frisco High School, had her sights set on a repeat singles title at the Texas High School Region II Tourna-
ment held at Plano Super Bowl Sunday, Mar. 5.

Franklin had to work for it as Allen HS Freshman, Clara Campbell, came out strong with games of 256-216 to set the high scoring pace.

But, Tori's third game of 287 helped her take a seventy pin lead and never look back, winning back-to-back singles titles and advancing to the State Singles Championship held in San Antonio in a few weeks.

With a fourth game of 224, Franklin then set a 4-game high school state record with 995 which beat Kayla Endicott's 979 set in 2012 and Tori's final game of 226 set the 5 -game state record with 1,221 overtaking Asia Wren's 1,211 set in 2016.

Campbell finished with 1,154 and Colleyville Heritage Continued on Page 3

## EJ Tacket Wins Second Title of Season at PBA Shawnee Classic



EJ Tacket with Firelake Owner Chris Skillings

By: Nolan Hughes
SHAWNEE, OK - For the second time this season, EJ Tackett earned the No. 1 seed. For the second time this year, Tackett needed a strike in the 10th frame to win the title, this time at Firelake Bowling Center during the PBA Shawnee Classic.

And for the second time this year, Tackett delivered in the clutch. In a battle between the two most recent Triple Crown winners, he defeated Dom

Barrett, 231-226, to win the PBA Shawnee Classic and claim his 18th career PBA Tour title.
"I've been there so many times over the years and either thrown bad shots or thrown good shots and got nine," Tackett said. "I feel like I'm on the roller coaster. You just have to take the good and the bad, continue to put yourself in position, do the best that you can and let the pins fall where they may."

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## Random Thoughts <br> Tony Franklin, Publisher



Winners get Cookie Cake at our house!

We are four weeks into the 2023 PBA Tour season and we have seen some great action each week. At the start of the season, I had this to say about the five best players...lets see how its panning out...
"It's tough to beat those in the top five though. Last year they won 12 of the 15 total titles. It's the same five guys every year. The question is why are they virtually unbeatable...J ason Belmonte, Anthony Simonsen, EJ Tackett, Dom Barrett, Kristopher Prather...those are the players."

EJ Tackett - two titles, first in points

Anthony Simonsen - one title, second in points

Dom Barret - third in points Kris Prather - eight in points Jason Belmonte - fifteenth in points

Sam Cooley has the other title
It's so tough for new, young talent to break in, the guys at the top are so good and they don't appear to be slow ing down anytime soon. Tackett is the most terrifying bowler out there, when he starts striking it feels like 258


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## At Cityview Lanes

## Thomas, Jr. 300/300/889, Candler tosses 712

## Clay, Heiliger, Martinez, Melendez, Ringus, Smith 300's, Walters 299

Keith Thomas, Jr. headed the leader boards last month at Cityview Lanes after booking an award-winning new house record $300-300-289=889$ T.G.I.F league series.

Pam Candler, from the Billie N Les High Pot group, posted a nice 232-257-223 = 712 set to pace the lady bowlers.

David Clay, John Heiliger, Felix Martinez, Ricardo Melendez, Dick Ringus and Humm Smith shared high-game honors with Thomas, Jr. with aw ard-winning 12-baggers. Randy Walters took runner-up accolades with a nearperfect 299 solo.

HONOR ROLL
Roland Witt 278, Jack Simpson 750, Pam Candler 268-686, J ames Lamb 792, Michelle Teel 244-665, Dennis Ament
is the lowest possible game he can shoot. The one oddity about his season so far is that he has missed cash the week after each victory. I guess that means he is due to win again this week.

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Congrats to Bobby Holley on his victory in the SASBA NonChamps event at Lions Lanes in Ennis. He has been a real force over the last 12 months, really great to see him catch the W. He averaged 251 and went 7-1 in the match-play to slide past Scot Nack.

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x-x-x-x-x-x
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A big congratulations to all of our High School teams and individuals who made it out of the regional finals and onto the state finals in San Antonio on March 25/26.

We have results in the paper, but I do need to take a second as a proud Dad to congratulate our daughter, Tori for winning the

268, Wes W heeler 711, J ana Bural 216, Vicky Kopp 549, Lynd Cason 279-721.

Rhonda Schmidt 157, April Lucas 444, Richard Perez 266-767, Darlene Jones 200, Karen Leach 550, Keith Thomas, Jr. 288-755, Amanda Franco 266, Donetta Fleming 651, Humm Smith 267-701.

Tashia Wood 228-647, James Scariato 279, Matt Barras 785, Anthony Young, Jr. 277, J esse Calan 746, Steffany Brown 263-684, Xzavior Lashapelle 289, Mike Dudley 751, Cheyanne Redwine 247.
Deidra Vannocker 598, Brien Keeler 290, Brian Shaw 652, Beulah Evans 197, DeeFrederick 505, Carol Neubauer 192-528, Jack Simpson 760, J anet Allen 213-608, Jeremy Trubenstein 290-787.

Shannon Jones 267, Richard Irvine 718, Valerie Conway 187, Peggy Rios 491, Fred Reulecke 277-691, Linda

Region II singles finals at Plano Super Bowl last weekend. She was able to successfully defend her Region win from last year, which is what she really wanted, like really really wanted. She worked herself up into quite a tizzy stressing about it, but was able to perform even with her hands shaking the whole time. I don't fully understand how its possible to be that nervous yet still perform that well.

She even shot her new high game, a front 10, 287...I guess we will wait a little while longer for her first crack at 300. As I was holding the camera up videoing her 10th frame, I noticed my hands were shaking a bunch too, that's what makes watching your kids so much fun, the powerless stress!

Congrats to our awesome High School bowlers that made it to state, now let's bring a title back to DFW!

Thompson 235, Sam Weyant 597, Lucy Gutierrez 259, Sue Pelton Schultz 653.

Tyrone Coney 278, Ben Schielock 732, Liz Kostoff 209-527, Randy Walters 737, Annie Peterson 256, June Barker 666, Donnie Pitt 247, Mike Shannon 637, Marissa Holtzman 181-423.


## FRANKLIN PBA50 SW

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Franklin barely slid past Pogor in the first round, 229225, and then beat Schissler 234-193.

Just as the No. 4 seed ran the table in the regular PBA SW Regional in McPherson, KS, Franklin did the same in Colorado, defeating Hess 238-226 for his ninth regional title.

Final Standings

1. Tony Franklin $\$ 2,400$
2. Tom Hess $\$ 1,500$
3. Ricky Schissler \$1,200
4. Bryan Pogor $\$ 1,000$
5. Scott Sloane \$700
6. Duane Mellinger \$675
7. Tish Johnson $\$ 650$
8. Greg Knierim $\$ 625$
9. Russel Macklin $\$ 550$
10. M ichael Smith \$525

For complete standings, go to www.pba.com



At USA Bowl

## Buda posts 736, Steele snags 708

Stovakk 300

Randall Buda took high-series honors for the month at USA Bowl after polishing off potent 269-242-225 $=736$ numbers in OLBA action.

Lisa Steele paced the Iadies with a stately 236-248-224 = 708 Just For Fun set.

William Stovakk's awardwinning 12-bagger earned highgame honors.

HONOR ROLL
Micky Girard, Sr. 214-611, Sherry Graham 195-525, William Stovakk 696, Leslie McMurray 236-574, Vanessa Brown 225-643, Calvin Hill 244-693, Kim Hillman 203-537.

Andrew Carney 254-715, Michael Blanco 254-709, Cathy Sposito 231-640, Brian Dean 244- 683, Catherine Cabaj 211-602.

## TORI FRANKLIN HS REG

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Senior, Savannah Burgin's final game of 261 catapulted her into third with 1,104. Birdville Senior, M organ Davis held on to the last advancing spot with 1,073.

On the Boy's side, Plano Sr. HS Senior, Noah Turner had a chance at a perfecto on his way to the singles title, but left a few pins for a 298 and 1,168 final score.

Allen HS, Joshua Budnik, finished strong for 1,141 and Plano Sr. HS Senior, Christopher Warren finished with 260 to qualify third with 1,116.

Bret Bates from Timber Creek posted 1,083, Steven Bow man of Richland HS rolled 1,081 for fifth and Allen HS, Garrett Smith had a nice 236 the last game for 1,074 to capture the final spot to advance to State.

The Boys' Team Finals had some excitement coming into the home stretch as only 37 pins separated first from third.

Plano East had a final baker game of 180 to hold off the Allen Eagles and Centennial Titans to take the team title $w$ ith 2,576 . The Eagles rolled a baker 197 to finish with 2,548 and the Titans came in with 160 the last game to record 2,539 and advance to State.

Fort Worth's Chisholm Trail posted the last two baker games of 275 and 188, but fell 50 pins short of Centennial.

The Girl's Allen Eagles took control early to post 2,486 to win the Girl's Team title while Plano East and Richland HS earned their way to State.

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11. Brianna Brown $\$ 220$
12. Chelsea Herrera $\$ 205$
13. Adrianna Tadiello $\$ 195$
14. Shelby Neves $\$ 185$
15. Sandi Charles $\$ 180$
16. Rebecca Sharp M arquez \$175

Parker Capra has been one of the best bowlers in Texas for several years now, but this may be his most prestigious win to put on his resume. The top four players were only separated by 79 when it was all said and done, with Capra defeating runner-up Anthony Buss by 28 pins. Capra earned $\$ 3300$ plus an entry into the USBC M asters, with Buss taking home $\$ 2400$.

There were 100 entries for this year's event at Bowlero Thousand Oaks.

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# Lake Ridge Eagles' Zackery Stephens Blows Up 

By: Mike Young

MATCH 9
We all knew has was very capable to do this and Lake Ridge Eagle right hander Zackery Stephens Erupted in leading the Eagles past a hard charging Legacy Bronco squad 8-7. Stephens, who will be bowling for Dallas Baptist University next year fired games of 231 and 244 for a 475 set. Adam Obh-
malay cranked out a 202 while brother Alex Obhmalay fired a 199 in the loss for Legacy. In other matches Frontier kept it's playoff hopes alive with a 13-2 win over Summit and DFW Co-op scored a 13-2 win over Mansfield with Tyler Brooks shooting a 223 and Will Jewell a 220 leading DFW

On the girls side Legacy with a 12-3 win over Mansfield,

Morgan Kolanek with a 173 and the Lake Ridge Girls shutout the Legacy JV 15-0 Charisse Graham with a 211 . Plus the Lake Ridge JV Black squad wins 11.5 to 3.5 over the Lake Ridge Green JV team.

The standings thru 9 of 12 matches *= Playoff spot

| Boys | Record | Pts |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| DFW | $9-0$ | 116 |
| Lake Ridge | $6-3$ | $92 *$ |
| Legacy | $6-3$ | $82.5^{*}$ |
| Mansfield | $3-6$ | 39 |
| Frontier | $2-7$ | 39.5 |
| Summit | $1-8$ | 28.5 |

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## North Texas USBC Youth Results

Jayden Powell topped the NTXUSBC youth bowling last month with a booming 278/751 Strikers series at Hilltop Lanes.

Morgan Hopkins led the girls with a sparkling 204-167-199 = 662 Tuesday Night Youth set at Lions Lane.

Cityview Lanes - Daniel Young 256-621, Madison Damer 210-546.

Cowtown Bowling Palace- Lucas Helka 242-649, Isabella Colbert 190515, M J Becker 227, Grace Gann 171, Owen Griffin 213, Kyndal Smith 158, Mason Chapman 226-645, Kaydence Rinebold 171-464, Gabby Gann 154, JR Cain 161-471, Cristian Dubon 153, Dallas Rinebold 110, Kendrick Willamson 111, Dakota Hardin 88, Gabriella Rinebold 122, Noah Vasquez 166, Nevaeh Chandler 68, Mason Collins 107, Diego Marquez 80, Rileynn Helka 86, Landon Trubenstein 94-180, Luna Baker 93, Eddie Randall 105.

Forum Bowl - Ayden Hopkins 91-172, Olivia Huggins 78-144, William Jewell III 254-689, Tori Brooks 210514, Zack Stephens 258-671, Makenly Branagan 179-483.

Hilltop Lanes - Lucas Howard 241-643, Jayden Powell 231-609, Connor Schmidt 216-580, Lucas Howard 232-654, Drew Dickson 258-592, Chevy Stillwell 192-474, Chevy Stillwell 209571, Emily Sherburne 163-421, Kirston M artin 113-300, Jocelyn Green 122-296, M adison Stamp 204-500, Reagan Stamp 162-418, Emily Sherburne 162-376

JB's Allen Bowl - Max Burson 167, Lily-Paige Rubenstein 112, Isaiah Gaither 201, Amanda Keith 91, Hayden McBride 257, Caylin Zittlau 101, Zakary Fales 278-679, Clara Campbell 235-586, Dax Ferguson 235, Annika Svedvik

## Southwest-Area USBC Youth Scores

Aaron Duerre led the South-west-area USBC youth bowling last month with a thundering 288/ 834 Stars of Tomorrow series at Hallmark Lanes.

Makayla Beckett paced the girls with a strong 234/ 629 set at Killeen Bowlerama.

Hallmark Lanes, Killeen, TX Caleb Xayachack 177-459, Kali Harris 113, Kaydence Jeffers 279, Jonathan

Rosado, Jr. 236-612, Alexis Ortego 170, Caroline Neeley 489, Justin Linker 156-389, Kaydence Jeffers 107-295, Michael Cook 244-616, Caroline Neeley 234-605, Luke Xayachack 159, Tyler Desmarais 419, Kaydence Jeffers 120-308, J oseph Munns 268-708, Alexis Ortego 201, Caroline Neeley 466, Tyler Desmarais 200-500, Kaydence Jeffers 103-294, Caroline Neeley 265-615.

Killeen Bowlerama, Killeen, TX Jonathan Rosado 276-780, RobertDavie, Jr. 259-722, Logan Frishman 244-714.

Tenpins \& More, Rio Rancho, NM - Shane Muller 264-688, Kylie Belnap 205-545, Alan Blair 198-553, KylieBelnap 203-546, Angelo Martinez 211-584, Justin Lucero 242-671, Victoria Tallbear 149-424, Reid Ross 202-506, Aubrey Vanderlip 177-497.

235-612, Richie Duvall 139, Joshua McKinney 152, Emmie Lou Risden 107, Cooper Powell 254, Ellie May Risden 87, Paddy Larkin 195, Joshua Breidenthal 198, Lydia Breidenthal 168.

Lions Lanes - Riley Farrell 237-688, Charlie Rogers 201-521, Jonathan Lowey 177-453, Nate Bratcher 154-354, Ricky Gonzalez 138-326, Hayden Oldizil 126315, Aiden Yrlas 105-304, Jackson Burke 105-274, Colton Jones 91-258, James Duarte 81-205, Kylar Pride 103-287, Jez Lobato 113-292, Tatum Denny 104-236.

Plano Super Bowl - Everett Kerrigan 161-359, Avery Hughes 127-309, Umberto Chang 168-442, Eviana Scott 131-347, Preston Zabojnik 179-472, Madeline Zabojnik 138-369, Jaden Marquez 189-557, James Johnson 279-712, Marisa Munguia 236-646, Nico Meinardus 257-663, Eden Scott 203-592, J acob Thompson 413, Ashlyn Thompson 180-453, Michael Thompson 148-410, Gabby Gamboa 146-375, Tiger Bruney 215-622, Alexia Moon 205-535, Amari Browder 188-493, Bella Rivera 189-508, Luke Henke 245-669, Zoha Calton 219-508, Christopher Warren

226-662, Olivia Phillips 212-569, Treavor Thompson 241-598, Luke Henke 225-626, Yaki Guerrero 149397, James Johnson 189-521, Madison Damer 215-572, Madden Simon (2 games) 123-218, Joshua Batkins (2 games) 117-204, Athena Rivera (2 games) 87-163.
Strikz - Logan Solis 224-610, Rhett Gulledge 231-570, Jake Sullivan 231-570, Keathan Jennings 198-558, Owen Smullen 207-550, Maximus Rouse 187-540, Turner Spofford 223-539, Carter Richards 203-539, Christian Wages 201-502, M isha Brown 160-460, Enrique Arredondo 160-427, Jakob Haraputczyk 181-486, Vikram Krishna 191-455, Isaac Llamas 181-467, Joey Maulhardt 171-404, Lincoln Beran 160-422, Riley Stark 198-464, Kolin Williams 196-494, Aaron Nelson 157-422, Russ J ohnson 148-421, Brody Schwartz 165-456, Alexia Moon 190-533, Naiya Okwesa 212-512, Julia Rouse 201-497, Vanessa Rogriguez 109-314, Jayme Brooks 122-314, Ellie Rouse 129-364, Allison Rouse 133-354, Gabriella Gamboa 140-399.

## Lane Laughter



## LAKE RIDGE ZACKERY

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Girls
Lake Ridge 6-0 120 *
Legacy
Mansfield
0-5
66
60.5
JV
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Legacy } & 39.5\end{array}$
Lake Ridge (Black) 3-3 59 points

Lake Ridge (Green) 3-4 50 points

DFW South Leaders Stay Perfect

MATCH 10
Mike Young was a fixture in the DFW South District for the last eight plus years coaching the Legacy Broncos team to district championships, regiona tournaments and even a state showing or two. He enjoyed working with the kids and sharing his knowledge of the game. He al so kept the DFW bowlers informed of the weekly results within the district by writing a weekly recap. Mike's last column precedes this column. Mike will be missed. He coached his last two matches on February 18 when his Legacy varsity team took on the district-leading DFW South Co-op team. While the Legacy

## At Strikz

## Holtfrerich delivers 750, Ellis lands 672

FRISCO - Michael Holtfrerich's hefty $248-258-244=750$ Tuesday Penniless session headed the leader boards for the month at Strikz.

Sue Ellis, from the Lousy Bowlerz group, posted a rollicking 195-257-220 = 672 set to top the ladies high-set chart.

## HONOR ROLL

Kim Lorenzen 213-594, Ray Lawrence 257-651, Tom Frank 224595, Al Brabant 254-628, Skip Jenkins 225-634, Tom Frank 213-578, Eddie Matthies, Jr. 256-681, Rick Irvine 234-666.

Dwight Stein 210-583, David Stiggers 211-576, Tiffany Emerson 214-588, Lisa Wasson 244-642, Debbie Colby 236-598, Ed M atthies, Sr. 221-580, Eddie Ballenger 236-673, David Stiggers 245-667.

J onathan Mendenhall 220-598, Kyle Hobbs 224-612, Ray Law rence 214-613, LaM arr Moss 233-650, Spencer Spofford 198-585, Tommy Davis 239-675, Doug Beebe 209-587, Tommy Davis 264-718

Loren Tenczar 246-642, SteveSabido 234-577, Tommy Davis 259-657, Scott Noll 254-675, Mark Connor 223-604, Billie Bennett 211-601, Ron Rankin 237-695, Joseph Jimenez 258-642.

Tiffany Emerson 236-612, Lisa Wasson 236-660, LaM arr Moss 238-645, Candy Torrey 205-584, Vinh Nguyen 240-607, J ohn Fox 221-587, Eric Smith 211-580, Chandler Ritsch 236-645.
team was able to earn a couple points in the Baker matches, the Co-op team remained undefeated with an 11-4 victory. Alex Obhmalay had Legacy's high two game series (325) while Tyler Brooks led the Co-op team with 440.

For the girls' varsity teams, Lake Ridge kept its perfect season going with a 13-2 win over Mansfield. Kyrah Durham led the way for the Eagles (406) while Addison Furtick earned high honors for Mansfield (315).

Other results
Lake Ridge (Clark Tran 410) beat Summit (Eman Allen - 256) 15-0.

Mansfield (Francisco Vega 366) topped Frontier (Colby Miller - 258) 14-1

## MATCH 11

Legacy rebounded in the second match on February 18 to earn a 14-1 victory against Frontier. This time, Adam Obhmalay led the Broncos with a 339 series. For the Trailblazers, Eman Allen once again led the team, this time with a 278 series.

The Legacy girls' varsity team also won its match with a 12-3 victory over Mansfield Morgan Kolanek led the Legacy

## Lake Ridge Girls' Varsity Team Wins HS Region III <br> By: Mike Spridco <br> team lead wire to wire during

team with a 316 series, and Sarah Wommack bowled the high two-game series of 327 for Mansfield.

Other results
Lake Ridge (Kade Pirtle
451) was victorious over Mansfield (Colin McDonald 356) 11-4.

Co-op (Tyler Brooks - 443) defeated Frontier (Evan Taylor 285) 15-0.

## MATCH 12

DFW South District teams finished their seasons with a position round. Since the DFW South Co-op team had the varsity championship locked up, and the Lake Ridge girls' varsity team clinched the girls' title, the two undefeated teams bowled against each other for bragging rights. While Lake Ridge bowled well, (Kyrah Dur ham 279 game, 459 series) the Co-op team was too much for the Eagles to overcome (Tyler Brooks 278 game, 510 series) The Co-op team averaged 206 for its 10 regular games to score a 12-3 victory.

Other results
Lake Ridge (Nolan Lee -
366) grabbed a win over Legacy (Alex Obhmalay - 367) 8-7.

Legacy girls' varsity
(Morgan Kolanek - 289) beat Mansfield (Addison Furtick 284) 15-0.

Mansfield (Francisco Vega 368) topped Frontier (Colby Miller - 301) 13-2.

Final Standings - Varsity
Team Record Points
DFW S Co-op11-0 142
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Lake Ridge } & 8-3 & 118\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Legacy } & 7-4 & 100.5\end{array}$
Mansfield 4-7 57
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Frontier } & 2-9 & 40.5\end{array}$
Summit
Final Standings - Girls' Var
Team Record Points
Lake Ridge 7-0 147
Legacy $4-4 \quad 87$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Mansfield } & 0-7 & 65.5\end{array}$

The Lake Ridge girls' varsity team won its third consecutive Regional Championship Sunday afternoon at USA Bowl and earned a spot at the Dick Atkinson Texas State High School Championships. Although the team was behind Legacy Broncos after the traditional five-person game (727-753), the Lake Ridge girls averaged 156 during the eight Baker matches for a 1,982 total and a 165-pin win.

Legacy finished second with 1,817 and punched its ticket to state as well. The Texas State High School Championships will be held at Bandera Bowl in San Antonio on March 25-26

DFW South will be well rep resented at the singles portion of the state tournament as wel as a total of eight individuals qualified with two of them winning their respective singles divisions.

In the boys' division, Wil-
liam Jewell III from the Co-op

## QUEENS/MASTERS

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Other Finalists:
3. Brian Hoffman $\$ 800$
4. Garrett A ndrus $\$ 1550$
(SMART)
5. Sean Corbett $\$ 300$
6. Jacob Lesifko \$1150
(SMART)
7. Seth Gossen $\$ 1025$
8. M atthew Stroman $\$ 850$

Other Cashers:
9. Keegan Alexander \$800 (SM ART)
10. J ason Dannhaus $\$ 750$
11. Travis Tribolet $\$ 700$ the five-game tournament and finished with an 1,162 series It was a three-person race in the girls' division as Lake Ridge bowlers Charisse Graham and Kyrah Durham and Marcus High School's Veronyca West battled for the top spot through out the day.

However, there could only be one winner, and when all was said and done, Graham bested West by 26 pins and Durham by 40 to take home the title.

The list of qualifiers from DFW South are:

## Boys

William Jewell III Co-op 1162
Tyler Brooks Co-op 1040
Clark Tran Lake Ridge 959

## Girls

Charisse Graham LR 1054
Kyrah Durham LR 1014
Sydnee LeClear Co-op 911
Morgan Kolanek Legacy 850.
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12. Robert KIann $\$ 650$
13. Everett Bubak $\$ 625$
14. Tyger Miller $\$ 600$
15. Allan Smith $\$ 575$
16. Orlando Y barra J r. $\$ 550$

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## Anthony Simonsen Wins 11th Career Title at PBA Wichita Classic



Anthony Simonsen

## By: Nolan Hughes

WICHITA, KS - Anthony Simonsen has never been one to shy away from breaking conventional wisdom. This week at Northrock Lanes for the PBA Wichita Classic was no exception.

The 26 -year-old defeated Dom Barrett, 257-213, to win his 11th career title.

Just as he did during the first round of the tournament, Simonsen opted to throw urethane on the 45 -foot Dragon oil pattern. He aimed directly at the 1-3 pocket, using the shape of the long pattern and the characteristics of the center to his advantage.
"I know this is one of those buildings that if you get lined up, you're able to throw a few strikes," Simonsen said.
"Mentally, I haven't been the sharpest the last couple weeks," he said. "I think that's kind of due to a lack of competing and I'm slowly trying to dial that back in. I'm looking forward to the next couple weeks because I was able to find my feet much sooner in the season."

The Player of the Year race is starting to heat up betw een Simonsen and EJ Tackett, who won the U.S. Open and PBA Shaw nee Classic.

Simonsen achieved his fourth consecutive top-10 finish of the season and is the lone player on Tour to reach match play in all four tournaments. But he isn't concerned about the potential for a first career Player of the Year nod.
"I'm not really a guy who looks big into that," he said. "If I bowl well and that's what it gets me, then that's aw esome. But ultimately, I try to look at every event as it's own individual event and try to bowl as well as I can that week."

For Barrett, this marks his second straight runner-up performance after falling to Tackett at the PBA Shawnee Classic last week. The 37-yearold, while disappointed in another second place finish, said he is satisfied with his progress this season.
"If you told me after my first two missed cuts that I'd have back-to-back seconds, I'd

At Plano Super Bowl

# Thomas masters 300/816, Franklin fires 754 

Crites 805, Drumm 805, Dotson 804, Hamilton 802, Amador 801, Busby, Carbo, Crowe, Hill, Hyson, Nye, Park, Phillips, Shockley, Swenson, Taylor 300's, Jarrett 298

Cody Thomas captured the high-set honors for the month at Plano Super Bowl with an award-winning 277-300-239 = 816 Sunday Youth/Adult series.

There was an abundance of high series as Tim Crites and James Drumm fired an 805 Thursday Classic series while Shawn Dotson downed an 804 Pepsi Classic set, Jay Hamilton, from the Texins, shot an 802 and George A mador followed with an 801 Pepsi Classic outing.

Genie Franklin, from the Platinum Ford NFL Trios group, fired a blistering 247-259-248 = 754 set to front distaff scoring.

KiSjuan Busby, Kevin Carbo,

Tim Crowe, Alex Hill, Matt Hyson, George Nye, Casey Park, Kevin Phillips, Steven Shockley, Doug Swenson and Terry Taylor shared high-game honors with Thomas as each posted awardwinning 12-baggers. Daniel Jarrett took runner-up honors with a near-perfect 298 solo.

HONOR ROLL
Robert Eidenier (4 games) 242-834, Mark Peet 226-782, J aime Beagle 156577 , Bradley Sheehan 259-740, Roneshia Williams 258-719, Larry Froning 225-648, Nancy Hawes 176-495.

Todd Henry 264-738, Alexandria Sumruld 213-568, David Watson 259763, Diane Wallentine 238-680, Mike Donahue 280-794, Stefanie Johnson
be really happy," he said. "I'm much happier with where my game is at now than a couple weeks back."
In the title match, a pair of 2-10 splits on the left lane put Barrett in an early deficit. He said neither shot was too bad and that he changed balls after the first split. He added the lane transition could have been affected by Simonsen's use of urethane.
"After that, it was going to be hard to beat him," Barrett said.

Barrett took down Santtu Tahvanainen, last season's Rookie of the Year, in the semifinal. Tahvanainen, who shot 280 in the opening match of the stepladder against Jakob Butturff, tallied 14 strikes in a row on the championship pair.

The semifinal matchup flipped when Tahvanainen left a pocket 7-10 split in the eighth frame. Barrett seized the opportunity, striking in the eighth and 10th frames to clinch the match.

CHAM PIONSHIP ROUND SCORES

Anthony Simonsen def. Dom Barrett, 257-213

Dom Barrett def. Santtu Tahvanainen, 238-235

Santtu Tahvanainen def Jakob Butturff, 280-238

FINAL STANDINGS
Anthony Simonsen, $\$ 25,000$
Continued on Page 15

259-713, Austin Bryant 277-752, Diane Wallentine 232-657.

Jim Meadows 230-630, Wanda Averett 178-526, Daniel Jarrett 722, MichelleVanGilder 232-648, I on Crump 287-792, Michelle Stephens 248-687, Danielle Delaney 211-573, Dottie Culpon 206-583.

Chris Warren 287-777, Dave Roth 257-725, Art Victorine 219-591, Michelle Duke 190-525, Mike Zimmerman 289-775, Kaitlyn Schroyer 224-640, Cody Thomas 267-747, Michelle Myers 234-664.

Linda Blain 219-591, Breanna Buchanan 228-668, Wes Wade 265-714, Ann Coleman 229-563, Alex Hill 721, Kim Hillman 226-642, Phil Overton 225-565, Michelle Curtis 184-501, George Nye 770.

Lannis Nelson-M oon 223-626, Mike Zimmerman 265-747, Lizzy Kahrs 221-602, George Amador (4 games) 289-1049, Kayci Parcells (4 games) 277-890, Frank Oliver 258-739.

Peggy Rumping 246-626, Chris Davis 244-697, Tammie Hilton 236-651, Kevin Hiam 267-723, Brenda Buchanan 218-606, Chris Russell 279-777, Kristi Bennett 235-604, Cody Thomas 266-704.

Jody Muskett 238-712, Hieu Du 234-579, Lindsay Gable 245-661, Mike Bruney 248-695.

## Butch Cormier Wins Singles at Hilltop Lanes in Waxahachie



Champion Butch Cormier with Runner-up Scott Webb
By: Kathy King
WAXAHACHIE, TX - We had a full field of 80 bowlers for the modified singles tournament at Hilltop Lanes in Waxahachie.

This is one tournament you shouldn't miss. Scott and Deb
are great hosts and a great time was had by all.

Tony Lanning was a beast on Saturday for the first 8 games of qualifying and had a 125 pin lead over 2nd place

The top 26 bowlers bowled 4 more games on Sunday morning and Tony's lead was cut to 25 pins going into the 8 games of match play with 16 bowlers.

Billy Hutchinson shot 276 the first game and took the lead and led through game 7 .

In game 8, Billy shot 216 and dropped to third with Butch Cormier and Scott Webb both going around him.

This set up the top 5 bowlers for the stairstep final. In the first match, Pete Thomas defeated Keith Lesko 245-211. Pete then defeated Billy Hutchinson 268-191.

Butch Cormier then beat Pete 258-226. Cormier then

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## At Red Bird Lanes

## Urban notches 734, Cathey snags 687

Jarrod Urban led the scoring race last month at Red Bird Lanes by hammering out hefty 255-244$235=734$ numbers in Tuesday Men's Commercial league action. Lauren Cathey earned fem scoring honors with a solid 232-236-219 = 687 Career Girls set. HONOR ROLL
Art Fletcher 266-697, Angelina Jimenez 174-439, J anean Baker 214-555, Lauren Cathey 267-665, Tim McGlothin 276-715, Gavin Maxwell 278-704,

Carolyn Large 162-478, Cindi Wilson 198-529.

Billy Cathey 259-677, Lauren Cathey 257-627, Tim McGlothin 275-708, Angie Fetner 213-597, David England 226-665, Brittany Pope 224-609, Mel Richards 247-702, Jackie Fisher 246-677.

Keith Jennings 262-695, Angela Chalmers 225-623, Tyree Jennings, Jr. 260-722, Sandra Jennings 171-496, J C Mann 259-733, Lauren Cathey 224-628, Earl Davis (2 games) 159-295, J ennifer Wagg (2 games) 93-167.

## Barnes Claims PBA50 Western Bowling Proprietors Insurance Central/Midwest Open

CRAWFORDSVILLE, IN - As the U.S. Open wrapped up, Craw fordsville, Ind., hosted a PBA50 regional, just a short drive from Indianapolis. A cou ple of guys who bowled the U.S. Open must have gotten enough practice in because Parker Bohn III and Chris Barnes earned the one and three seeds for the stepladder, respectively. Barnes faced Knowlton in the first match, where Barnes won 228-192. Lyle Kuhlmann was up next, but again Barnes got it done, this time 212-187. The two all-time greats gave us an exciting final match where At J B's Allen Bowl


Chris Barnes with Owner, Gary Alstott

Barnes ran the stepladder and defeated Bohn III 241-236.

PBA50 Western Bowling Proprietors Insurance Central/ Midwest Final Standings

1. Chris Barnes $\$ 2,000$
2. Parker Bohn III \$1,150
3. Lyle Kuhlmann \$1,000
4. Dan Knowlton \$950

For complete results, visit www.pwba.com

## Burnham cracks 817, Nelson-Moon bags 690

Loriot 298/810, Lankford 300/806, Short 804, Wajcicchowski 801, Biedebach, Biedebach, Burnham, Fales, Padgett, Reding, Scott, Wilkson 300's

Josh Burnham won high series honors last month at J B's Allen Bowl by firing chart-topping 268-290-259 = 817 numbers in Friday 4 Play action.

Finishing close behind Burnham with award-winning 800 series were Wednesday Match Play league mates Dennis Loriot 298/ 810, Nick Lankford 300/ 806 and Greg Short 804 and Zach Wajcicchowski with an 801 in Friday 4 Play action.

Lannis Nelson-Moon posted a super solid 278/690 Allen TNT set to lead the ladies.

Jason Biedebach, John Biedebach, Josh Burnham, Brayden Fales, J ustin Padgett, Woody Reding, Max Scott and J ason Wilkson shared high-game accolades with Lankford as each recorded aw ard-

winning 12-baggers.
HONOR ROLL
Chad French 268-720, Kendall Calhoun 206-571, Chandler Ritsch 290-766, Mike Bailey 268-732, Arvese McGraw 256-573, Skylar Maldonado 236-686, J ohn Biedebach 276-704, J anet Schaab 197-527.
Mark Donnelly 248-736, Cindy

Powell 237-654, Von Gallagher (2 games) 194-355, Carrie Gallagher (2 games) 114-225, Andi Hall 201-554, Deanna W hite 246-636, J osh Burnham 775, Penny Powell 199-576. SENIORS
Bill Clary 257-737, J eanette Hooper 268-640, Jeff Logan 247-701, Maria Robeson 216-607.

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# Summers, Stephens, Rusher, Cruz Win SASBA 70/60/50/Guest in Rowlett 

## By: Kathy King

ROWLETT, TX - There were 24 strong teams in the $70 / 60 / 50 /$ guest foursome at Row lett Bow larama Saturday, Feb. 18.

8 teams cashed and the top 5 bowled the Baker stairstep final.

Team Thompson (Gene Thompson, Rick Cheshier, Billy Hutchinson, Brandon Carlson) were in 14th place after Saturday and snuck into 5th the last game Sunday to make the finals.

In the first Baker match, they defeated Team Ensminger (J im Ensminger, Pete Thomas, Tony Franklin, Ted Pritts) 233-222.

In the 2nd match, they defeated Team Barron (Doug Barron, Hank Jordan, Thomas Gwin, Jonathan Bolejack) 257-208.

The Thompson team also won the 3rd match against Team Painter (Kerry Painter, Scott Bender, Michael Hartter, Fero Williams) 232-218.

The tournament leaders Team Summers (Randy SumContinued on Page 17


Randy Summers, Jim Stephens, Royce Rusher and Dimitri Cruz At Forum Bowl

## Warren claims 300/823, Walker crafts 739

Fisher, Suite 300, Evans, Jr., Rhone 299

Robert Warren's award-winning 265-258-300 = 823 Forum Classic league production headed the men's high series race last month at Forum Bowl.

Natalie Walker led the Iadies score board with a stalwart


236-268-235 $=739$ Sundowners outing.

Jackie Fisher and Ben Suite shared high-game honors with Warren with award-winning 12-baggers. J T Evans, Jr. and D'Ontae Rhone took runner-up honors with near-perfect 299 solos.

## HONOR ROLL

Karen Beich 222-543, Sheila Burger 267-671, Edgar Chavez (9 pin) 300874, Brenda Bassett (9 pin) 264-760, Mitchel Neville 269-757, Connie Loter 224-573, Don Carter 261-684, Cierra Pree 225-658.

Carlos Ortiz 204-586, Mary Wallis 168-457, Justin Johnson 276-765, Debbi Czajkowski 235-598, Jeff StewartRodriquez 277-663, Dana Short 214-602, Stacy Harden 258-757, Regina Stewart

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## 10 YEARS AGO

J ason Belmonte defeats Wes M alott to w in the USBC M asters, his 6th PBA title...Chris Hibbitts and Jovan Blankefeld won the Texas Masters and Queens titles in San Antonio...Lee White shot 846 at Diamond Lanes...J erry Fears with 838 at Oil Bowl.. Scott Murray rolled 835 at Killeen Bowlerama...Karin Ciesiolka led the ladies with 794 at Hallmark Lanes... Shannon O'Keefe with 774 at AMF Show place Euless...Lynda Barnes shot 773 at AMF Lewisville...Michael Haugen Jr. wins 3rd PBA title in Mark Roth Classic... Scott Craddock moves back to Texas, and joins Plano Super Bowl as the GM, and were glad he did.

## 20 YEARS AGO

Charles Avant wins Ebonite SA SBA at Blazer Bowl...Sabrina Duncan the PWBA Rookie of the Year...Chris Hayden wins 1st PBA title over Jason Couch in Seattle... Scott Southw ick led the honor roll with 812 at DC West...Clayton Hale had 785 at Plano...J odie Snook with 771 at Cow town...Lisa Wasson led the Iadies with 727 at Plano...Barbara Shaw had 724 at Skaggs... Bev Richardson with 721 at DC West...Chris Pitzer with a perfect game at Red Bird...Pete Weber wins his 29th PBA title at the Tar Heel Open...Lonnie Waliczek wins his 2nd PBA title in Louisville.

## 30 YEARS AGO

Ron Palombi wins PBA National, his 6th PBA title...J ames Faulkner led the honor roll with 798 at Show place Garland... Gary Callaway with 789 at Grove Country...Ty Hendricks had 777 at Forum...Bev Richardson had the top two spots for the ladies with 752 at Grove Country, and 750 at Show place-Garland...J oyce Purselley rolled 719 at DCSW...J eff Smith wins Tour event and $\$ 1000$ at DC East...Rachel Perez wins the Bluebonnet Queens in San Antonio over Susie Minshew...Anne Marie Duggan wins LPBT Reno Open.

279-698.
Charles Smoot 279-773, Ben Suite 772, Jackie Fisher 718, Arvese McGraw 247-684, Jerry Srock (9 pin) 300-858, Pam Stewart ( 9 pin) 297-739, Stacy Harden 289-781, Syida Johnson 246-654.

Donovan Bryan 257-691, Karen Beich 208-585, Paul Wilson 263-768, Deneen Wilson 235-688, Myron Fleming 266-724, Vanessa Brown 242-628,

Sal Avina 279-717, Valmarie Perez 227-534.
George Forde II 279-762, Kim Jackson 256-642, Zach Munsch 233594, J osephine Garcia 152-442, Lance Lozano 198-557, Connie Delay 146-432, Garry Keckler 245-674, Donna Okvath 182-457.

## SENIORS

Phil Chovanec 267-777, Regina Stewart 222-628.

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## Dallas North A District High School Bowlers Make Great Showing at Kat Cup

Allen Eagles Girls Win Kat Cup Championship and Plano East Panthers Boys Claim Runner-Up Honors; Campbell and Smith take second in Singles By: Maribel Munguia

CONROE, TX - It was a busy weekend for the Dallas North A District bowlers. Allen Eagles, Plano East Panthers, Plano Senior Wildcats, and Wylie Pirates all competed at the 11th Annual Track Kat Cup Tournament in Conroe.

All 4 boys teams made it to top 8 match play. Plano Senior No. 1 seed lost to No. 8 seed, Allen No. 2 seed lost to No. 7 seed, Wylie No. 4 seed lost to Plano East No. 5 seed. Plano East advanced and made it to the finals where they lost to Canyon High School.

Four out of the five boys from Dallas North A District were named to the All-Tournament Team for earning high scores:

- 1st Josh Budnik MVP,


## At Lions Lanes

## Vanantwerp blasts 300/848, McKenrick delivers 738

Vanantwerp 300/826, 822, Pride 818, Moore 299/812, Enslin, Macon 300, Jones 299, Colen 296

Chris Vanantwerp rocketed to the top of the leader board last month at Lions Lanes with a dual aw ard-winning 259-289-300 = 848 Big Money Mondays set. He followed that up with a 300/826 and an 822 also in the Big Money M ondays league.

Bam Pride, also from the Big Money Mondays league, followed with an award-winning 818 outing while Dwight Moore finished with a 299/812 Big Money Monday league production.

Ryne Mckenrick was the leading lady firing off 268-237-233 = 738 numbers in Wednesday Night Lions league action.

Keith Enslin and Jeff Macon shared high-game honors with Vanantwerp with award-winning 12-baggers. AD Jones shared runner-up accolades with Moore w ith a near-perfect 299 solo while Chris Colen finished with a 296 game.

HONOR ROLL
Barbara Shaw 289-680, Meya Washington 279-706, Ryne McKenrick


268-615, Christy Antle 246-681, Zach Beckner 290-783, AJ Jones 278-680, J eff Macon 259-760, AnnieW hittington 268-586.

Ashlyn Risk 267-638, April Hopkins 246-649, Meagan Finchum 245-602.

- 5th Aidan McClelland

Wylie
The No. 1 seed Allen girls took on No. 8 seed New Braunfels, No. 4 seed Plano East and No. 2 seed Warren to win 1st place.

Three out of five girls from Dallas North A District were named to the All-Tournament Team for earning high scores

- 1st Clara Campbell MVP, Allen
- 2nd Marisa Munguia, Allen
- 5th Sierra Jones, Plano Senior

Congratulations also to Clara Campbell, Roanah Abeleda, Olivia Freis, Garrett Smith, and Alberto Svedvik from Allen for placing Top 8 and Clara Campbell and Garrett Smith for taking 2nd place in the Kat Cup Eliminator Singles Tournament. At Cowtown Bowling Palace

## Drescher chalks up 300/764, Curtis banks 763

Amy Drescher rounded-up the top score of the month at Cowtown Bowling Palace with a power-packed 300-226-238 = 764 Ebonite Classic Trio series.

Nigel Curtis headed the men's high-set chart with a hard-hitting 246-267-250 = 763 Just For Fun session.

## HONOR ROLL

Harlan Tunnell 257, Miki Jo Parish 257-673, Robert Hurst 278-672, Susan Johnson 215-557, Tyger Miller 278-756, Shelby Neves 258, Kelly Ray 266-716, Nicol lette Gaudette 247-698.

Mark DeBoer 252-672, Anita La Master 223-557, Danny Seeders, Jr. 276-729, Michelle Teel 212-594, George Stilien 258-760, Jamie Hines 202-573, Keith Duke 279, Cherie Deleon 233, Ron Nason 277

Cathy Nelson 226, Jeremy Craft 280, Miki Jo Parish 249, Doug Estes 259, Jacki Craft 244-710, John Gallant, Sr. 268-738, Diane Dudley 236-544, Ray Ballaro 248-628, Darlene Hughes 182-521.

Keith M iertshin 238, Kendra Garcia 180-535.

## SENIORS

Randy Beinlich 231, Neva House 181, Woody Godbey 268, Judy Moss 194, Frank Soper 230-618, Phil Howell 226, John Stewart 226, Sergio Esteves 236, Johnny Zaskoda 235-661, Victor Sifuentes 220 .

James Jantz 182, Wanda Eads 172, Kitty Vaughan 215, George Hernandez, Sr. 213, Johnny Zaskoda 245-626, Cheryl Berube 208, Randy Beinlich 245, Woody Godbey 237.


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The PBA Tour on Fox Television kicked off the 2023 season with a Friday-Saturday set of telecasts, a dual stepladder for the U.S. Open finals. The Saturday afternoon show on FS1 featured the 9th to 5th seeds after match play, with the winner moving into Sunday's top five stepladder on the main Fox network.

According to Nielsen television ratings posted on showbuzzdaily.com, the telecast averaged 255,000 viewers with 54,000 in the key 18-49 age group, good for a 0.15 rating. That set up the highly watched Sunday with many familiar faces contending for the first major title of the year.

On a weekend when many television programs have high ratings, this one did not disappoint with an average of $1,007,000$ viewers and 178,000 in the 18-49 age group, good for a 0.60 or $6 \%$ of all television viewers at the moment were watching the PBA. I'd be willing to wager the final 15-minute time blocks had another twenty to fifty thousand additional viewers, especially with the great title match.

A minor drawback to the Sunday telecast was the lead in program, like in past years on ABC-TV at this time of year, a college basketball game extended over its allotted time slot. Granted the
delay was near 30 minutes which aired on FS1 in case you missed it (or don't have access to FS1), but the game was among two top five rated women's teams who drew 1.087 million viewers.

Also factored are the viewers waiting for the program afterwards, in this case the NASCAR qualifying race that averaged 2.3 million who are also counted as viewers if they turn on Fox ahead of time. Historically, Iate J anuary and February have the most people available to watch programming, since northern parts of the country north of the Ohio River have snow cover and colder weather and at times in or digging out after a snowstorm or blizzard conditions. This annual occurrence has led to higher PBA television ratings, a bigger plus in February in years past as the month used to be a traditional ratings measuring month when written diaries were used then mailed back to Nielsen. In any case, this is a great start to the final season of the current PBA/ Fox television contract. More on that as the year progresses.

The PBA Tournament of Champions finals will be four shows over three days. This series will expand the top nine from the Open finals to the Top 17 for the ToC stepladder. Here's how it works.

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According to the tournament page on pba.com, after the round robin 24 -game match play round, players \#17 to \#13 advance to the first stepladder round on FS1 Friday M arch 17 at $6: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ Central. The winner of that show moves to the first of two Saturday night shows at 8:30 Central, also on FS1, with players \#12 to \#9, the victor moving to the third stepladder round against players \#8 to \#5. That show's winner will advance to the Fox Television championship stepladder finals Sunday March 19 at 11:00 am Central.

I'm curious how ratings for the shows will be knowing it is also the first weekend of the annual NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament. In prior years, The Association has run the World Series of Bowling finals in the days leading up to the tournament, one of the annual TV ratings bonanzas. Casual viewers, helpful in boosting viewership, will be at a premium. But as we've seen, the PBA isn't afraid to try something new for its broadcast television formats.

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For this month's edition of Norm's Nuggets, a series of interview segments with recently retired PBA star, Norm Duke, we go back to a match when he set several PBA records that have stood for 29 years. His 18 and 42 game numbers set records, averaging 260 and 248, respectively, the third qualifying six-game block average was 272. Also

# Just Paying Attention <br> By Mark London <br> Mark@TheBowlingNews.net 


included were two 299 games, three 300 games, and three 800 series in a tournament, but the best known of these is the mark for the highest losing game in a national television finals. After leading the tournament by over 576 pins over third seed Brian Goebel, both players each rolled eleven strikes, he fell in the title match of the 1994 PBA True Value Open at Landmark Lanes in Peoria, Illinois to Goebel in one of the all-time great PBA TV matches, 296280. Even after nearly three decades, Duke still has the feeling this was a just little bit more than the one that got away. The only blemish was a weak 10 -pin left in the second frame. That week, True Value offered $\$ 200,000$ bonus for a title match 300 game.
"It seemed like I struck on every ball. I'll probably reflect on it in a couple of weeks, but right now I can't think about it, I've got to go over here and finish the job. 220's going to be a big game today," Duke told analyst Nelson Burton, J r. before the show's first match

Now 29 years later, Duke told me with a hint of bitterness the loss still stings a little.
"Ugh, good match man,
geez. So I'm leading by 500 plus pins. My last three games of that tournament were 299, 279, 280, and I didn't win it. felt like I did, 'which one did you win,' I would have said that one. I won that one. I felt like in my mind, no one could touch me, and then Bryan Goebel has a shot at \$200,000 for a TV 300 game. I'll never forget it, but that's a character builder."

Duke does have a better memory of an early morning telecast local time after a long day of match play, his 2003 TV 300 game in the PBA Earl Anthony Classic semifinal against Walter Ray Williams, Jr.
"It was 9:00 in the morning, the show started at 8:00 local time after bowling in another center 45 minutes away. We finished at 11:00pm the previous night, and of course you have to be in the building at 6:30. We're all on no sleep, Brian Voss and I head up to the arena and it is dark outside. The reason I shot 300 was I was still sleeping through it. I was so sleepy that day," Duke jokingly added.

Despite the \$10,000 bonus, Duke lost the final to Mike DeVaney, 279-248.

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If you're looking for professional bowling this weekend on cable or network television, you won't find it. That's because all of the action will be completed by Friday at the Firelake Bowling Center in Shawnee, Oklahoma. Could this be a result of the NBA All Star Weekend that's scheduled to air on TNT?

Only the Easter Bunny knows for sure, but just how popular is basketball on television, you might ask Well, last year's NBA All Star Weekend averaged a 3.1 rating and 6.28 million viewers, according to sportsmediawatch. com. That's a far cry from the recent bowling ratings that sit at a 0.32 rating, with about 1 million viewers each week, according to ustvdb.com

While Fox and FS1 have done a lot to boost the ratings and understanding of bowling with a glimpse of the different oil patterns and a lane graph that shows the speed and path of the bowling ball on each delivery, Kimberly Pressler seems to think there's another reason for the overall improved ratings of bowling.

Pressler, a former Miss USA, has been doing the lane side announcing for the PBA televised events since 2010. She feels that spotlighting the different bowling personalities has resonated most with the viewers since the switch from ESPN to Fox and FS1 in 2017. In an article from the Associated Press that appeared at WTOP News, Pressler commented, "I think that it accentuates the show in its entirety because we're focus ing on them (the players) as more than just bowlers."

Pressler, winner of the Miss USA pageant in 1999, continued: "We're focusing on them as true athletes, so that everyone can get to know them. People get to see them in a different light. They don't see them as if they were bowlers in the 1970's... they see them as athletes in 2023."

## The Predictability Of Bowling

I miss the bowling of the 1970's. You knew that bowling would be on every Saturday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. The ratings were through the roof, with only collegiate basketball offering any type of competition in that familiar time slot. The format was always the same, with a stepladder finals featuring the top five contestants. You also knew that the players had bowled a total of 42 games (or 56 games in the more prestigious events) in order to qualify for the TV finals.

Today it's hard to tell what the format will be from one week to the next, or when to watch the telecast, which I contend is part of the problem with the ratings. Case in point: during the U.S. Open contested a couple of weeks ago, a total of 48 qualifying games were rolled. Seeds 5 through 9 then participated on Saturday afternoon in a stepladder roll off to determine which of the five would advance to the TV finals on Sunday afternoon, against the top 4 seeds ( 1 through 4) in yet another stepladder competition.

This week the players rolled just 16 games of qualifying, with the top 12 overall players advancing to a round robin match play consisting of 12 games. According to the pba.com website, only the top 4 overall players advance to the TV finals this week. Will they be rolling a traditional 1 through 4 stepladder, or is there another format awaiting us on Friday? Only time will tell.

## What I Like About Basketball

Basketball was always my "other" sport while growing up. I used to love watching the Boston Celtics almost every Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. on the ABC network. In order to watch the game, I'd made a special arrangement
with my parents to sometimes forgo the traditional Sunday church service and attend a weekly Bible class for youths that was frequently taught by none other than Charles M. Schulz, the creator of the Peanuts comic strip.

I participated in all sports while in elementary school, but by the time high school rolled around, my focus was centered on basketball, track and of course bowling. A fractured ankle while playing basketball put an end to my basketball career. I was sidelined for three weeks without bowling, which was unthinkable. I never missed another week of bowling for the next 25 years.

However, basketball remained an integral part of my life, because I was frequently taking time to shoot free throws in the afternoon as a means of developing concentration, and helping me to prepare for an evening of bowling by visualizing my routine. I also continued to watch those Sunday morning games with the Boston Celtics, one of the greatest teams ever assembled.

Along about 1976 the ABA created the first Slam Dunk Contest, featuring five of their more prominent stars: Artis Gilmore, George Gervin, Larry Kenon, David Thompson and of course Julius "Doctor J" Irving. The Doctor won that first contest, and it became an integral part of the NBA All Star Game when the ABA and NBA merged about a year later. I don't think anyone could argue that Michael Jordan is the greatest dunk master of all time, with his famous double clutch from the foul line, or coming in sideways with the hang time of Superman.

But for me, the greatest one year dunk performance was by A aron Gordon at the 2016 Slam Dunk Contest. By incorporating the Orlando Magic mascot into some of his attempts, he brought the Slam Dunk to another level Even more incredible is the fact that Gordon, who will not be participating this year, has never won a Slam Dunk Contest, although he has performed two of the most spectacular dunks in history
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Looking Long and Deep You actually should be able to target at 3 feet or 28 feet or 47 feet or use the reflection of the head of a certain pin on the lane for targeting.

Targeting at different distances dow $n$ the lane takes practice so it won't affect your delivery unless you want it to do so. Sometimes you might loft the ball unintentionally or pull your head up when targeting far down the lane. That can certainly mess with your consistent execution. If it is your intention to increase loft by looking farther down the lane, okay.

You just need to be sure that, if you want to loft the ball, looking down the lane is not
At Western Bowl
the only way you can do that. You want to be able to look farther dow $n$ the lane and put the ball down early as well. It can't be, "If I want to loft it, I look down lane and if I want to put it down early, I look short." It is not an either/or situation.

Here's another way to conquer playing deep: Move left and target the dots on the left side of the lane. I realize this is not intuitive but before you discount it, give it a try. When playing deep (especially if you're not used to it), your tendency might be to pull the ball, helping it go left, as you're fearful of sending it too wide. On the next shot, you'll "fix" that and send it wide to avoid pulling it.

## Rose masters 783, Clary tosses 675

AMARILLO, TX - Randall Rose's high-pow ered 249-257-277 $=783$ Skylighters Mixed league production captured high-series honors for the month at Western Bowl.

Candra Clary's chart-topping 228-212-235 = 675 Pantex Mixed league set fronted fem scoring. HONOR ROLL
Kirk Kerbo 277-776, Michael Baucom 268-747, Andrew Bailey 277-725, Brennen Chaparro 255-725, Randy Ingram 268-720, Cory Stewart 247-710, Joe Miranda 278-706, Cory Sharp 267-701.
Russell Hervey 265-701, Chuck

Collins 255-697, Lynn Miller 266 691, Daniel Morris 246-688, Garry Mclaughlin 253-683, Shawn Tucker 257-683, Curtis Parker 234-682, Tylor Babcock 235-682

Kevin Pennington 269-675, Michelle Rose 257-638, Jennifer Polk 258-636 Connie Moorman 238-613, Debbie Shannon 218-600, Cindy Brock 220-598, Aliyah Chandler 200-595, BonnieCross 212-591.

Joyce Bytheway 211-590, Belinda Hall 267-588, Kaycie Dubose 234-586, Lana Skarke 241-583, Rhonda Rogers 217-581, Leslie Bittle 222-578, Julie J ones 202-571, Jami Foust 205-570, Kyla Collier 211-570.

Targeting the dots on the left and visualizing the path you intend to throw the ball (as, of course, you do with every shot) can help when you need to play deep but not wide. As is true with every toss, if your follow through follows the path you have in your mind, so does the ball.

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## BUTCH CORMIER SASBA

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started with the front 6 against qualifying leader Scott Webb and defeated him 277-205 for the title. It was Butch's 4th SASBA title.

KNH Insurance added \$1000 to the prize fund. Barry Brice had the only 300 game this weekend and received $\$ 100$ courtesy of Platinum Ford and Hilltop Lanes. Platinum also donated 3 bowling balls for the ball raffle.

March 18-19 is a Member/ Guest doubles at Planet Bowl in Midwest City, OK. Currently on waiting list

## ANTHONY SIMONSEN

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Dom Barrett, \$16,000
Santtu Tahvanainen, $\$ 12,000$ J akob Butturff, \$10,000 Kris Prather, \$8,200 Bill O'Neill, \$7,500 J ason Belmonte, \$7,000 Tommy Jones, \$6,500 Chris Barnes, \$6,000 Darren Tang, \$5,500 Tom Daugherty, \$5,100 Anthony Lavery-Spahr, $\$ 4,800$

At Terrell

## Taylor 300 and Holley racks up 811, Shaw shines with 702

Findling, Holley, Hunter, Orr, Sherrell, St. Armant 300's, Davis, Jr., Holley 299's, Wilson 297

TERRELL - Ira Taylor and Bobby Holley headed the leader boards last month at Terrell Bowl with a hard-hitting 811 series. Taylor, from the Tuesday Night Mixed league group, fired games of 265-300-246 while Holley downed lines of 266-267-278 in Friday Night M ixed league action

Barbara Shaw was red hot
for the ladies with a sky-high

265-214-223 $=702$ Friday Night Quads set.
Joe Findling, Bobby Holley, Jeff Hunter, Josh Orr, Steve Sherrell and Neil St. Armant shared high-game honors with Taylor with award-winning perfectos. Donald Davis, Jr. and Bobby Holley took runner-up accolades with near-perfect 299 solos while John Wilson shot a

297 game.
HONOR ROLL
Kristy Lovejoy 215-623, M ary M ason 234-612, Russell Limoges 278-771, Josh Renfro 286-762, Tyler Worthington 279-771, Patty Ellington 234-591, Lisa Stewart 245-590, Tyler Worthington 258-768.

Teresa Conn 226-609, Mark Blasius 268-742, Kristy Lovejoy 254-642.

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## EJ TACKETT SHAWNEE

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The 30 -year-old led the field by 545 pins, a margin of more than 15 pins per game, to earn the top seed.
"This pattern developed and ended up playing, to me, very similar to the fourth pattern at the U.S. Open," he said. "I've always bowled well here (at Firelake). A lot of things gave me confidence, so when I saw my ball start striking, it really loosened up my swing."

Despite two low-scoring matches on the championship pair, Tackett knew that wouldn't hold true for long against Barrett.
"Dom Barrett is obviously one of the greatest players of the time, so I fully anticipated him to bowl a good game," Tackett said. "I never expected it to be easy. I would've liked it to be a little easier, had I not thrown two bad shots in the middle of the game. But I put
myself in the position to be able to get it done again."

Tackett seized the lead during the fourth game of match play and never looked back. He won his final nine matches to, in Barrett's words, lap the field a few times.

Barrett said he was a bit frustrated with his performance in the championship round. A missed 10 -pin almost cost him in the semifinal against DJ Archer, then failed to get count after leaving a pocket 7-10 against Tackett.

But after the 7-10 gaffe, Barrett spared a 7-pin leave then struck on his final six shots to put pressure back on Tackett.
"I'm a guy who always digs really deep, finds a bit of heart no matter what and finds a way to push the other guy," Barrett said. "EJ 's a fully deserving winner. He lapped the field a few times so he absolutely deserved to win.

Barrett defeated Archer 174-170 in the semifinal. Archer needed a double in the 10th
frame to win the match, but a devastating 7-pin leave after the first strike ended his run.

The veteran Archer took down Joseph Grondin, who was making his championshipround debut on the PBA Tour,
in the first match.
Archer said he wanted to get off to a hot start to put pressure on the 24 -year-old. Strikes in the second and third frame appeared to do the trick. Grondin threw four different balls, but failed to double until the ninth frame, when Archer had taken an insurmountable lead.

Tackett, who has won two titles in three events this season, said he has not yet won back-to-back titles in his career. He'll begin his quest for consecutive titles next week in Kansas at the PBA Wichita Classic.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND SCORES

Championship: EJ Tackett def. Dom Barrett, 231-226

Semifinal: Dom Barrett def.
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## At Hallmark

# Duerre nails 834, Gill banks 640 

Clark, Cominsky, DeShong 300

KILLEEN - Aaron Duerre, Youth bowler, was the bowler to beat in the Stars of Tomorrow league at Hallmark Lanes last month in leading all players with a power-packed 288/834 series.

Cindy Gill led the Iadies with a hard-hitting 640 Friday Duos league production.

Gregory Clark, Sam Cominsky and Nick DeShong shared highgame honors with award-winning 12-baggers.

HONOR ROLL
Will Palumbo 279, Allan Smith 727, Teresa Herr 514, Michael Dixon-Dates 236, Kevin Fitgerald 682, Maya DixonDates 200, Hayley Pernell 584, Ralph Anderson 257, Gregory Masters 680.

Joyce Reddock 231-636, Rod Watkins 269, Heath Fletcher 682, Lisa M aruna 227, Kisha Thomas 629, Ral ph Anderson 213, Darius Dunem 645, Nella China 171, Sonya Stokes 533, James

Dukes III 247.
Virges Collins 664, Brenda Washington 191, Christine Scott 514, John Ciesiolka 277, Rod Watkins 718, Amy Starkovich 224, Karin Ciesiolka 607, Adrian Thomas 233, Eric Jackson, Sr. 656.

Sonya Stokes 181, Jamie Shell 248, Ryan Morrison 660, Marlys WykesSmith 465, James Mathis 664, Maya Dixon-Dates 211, Hayley Pernell 630, Jimmie Miggins 203, Ron Murrell 539 .

Cotina Quiney 160, Michelle Smith 356, Greg Masters 265, Jordan Cina 728, Sharon Jeffers 208-557, John Maxwell IV 255, Richard LaGrone 726, Esther Navarro 210, Amy Starkovich 593, Doc Rainwater 215.

J eff Hough 652, Jillian Souchet 126, Nella China 395, Will Palumbo 227, J amie Shell 628, Jessica Bain 191, Karin Ciesiolka 516, Gerald Flowers 265, Eric Jackson 696, Desiree Rodriguez 220.

Hayley Pernell 595, Charles Duncan 223, Kenneth Batie 599, Dana Munz 133, Nyia Jenkins 380, Lewis Day 730, Sharon Jeffers 200-555, Jordan Garza 257, Stephen Brown 697, Richie Otero 192.

Lisa Maruna 603, Jeff Hough 246, Eric Jackson, Sr. 658, Nella China 147. SENIORS
Rullie Haywood, Jr. 706, Sun Engeldinger 566, Jo Young 258, Bill Bogucki 737, Barbara Person 204, Christine Scott 588, James Dukes III 247, Virges Collins 664, Christine Scott 514.

Phillip Thurston 670, Brenda Washington 551, Larry Macie 257, ames Dukes III 635, Cookie Reddock 214, Linda Meads 546, Robert Norvell 717, Laura Gentry 196, Robert Harris 256, Phillip Thurston 745
Ev Tradup 519, Scott Meads 703, Brenda Washington 589.

## At Killeen Bowlerama

## Rosado books 780, Morgan claims 755

Franklin 299, Dewald 298, Waldburger 297

KILLEEN, TX - Jonathan Rosado, Youth bowler, lit up the lanes last month at Killeen Bow lerama with a 276/ 780 Youth/ Adult session.

Amanda Morgan headed the Iadies' leader board with a robust 755 Commercial league showing.

Chris Franklin captured highgame honors with a near-perfect 299 solo. B-Rad Dewald followed
with a 298 game while Tim Waldburger added a 297 game. HONOR ROLL
Phil Thurston 675, Tawana Ramey 238-670, Bobby Rackley 255-651, Linda Strickland 546, Curtis Robinson 644, Kathie Trembath 540, Josh Maxson 776, William Ganem 750, Sandi Charles 279-742.

B-Rad Dewald 740, Toby Meier 739, Mike Lukasik 763, Sandi Charles 289-

740, Darryl Martin 746, Erica McPhail 660, Bobby Wacker 740, Bobby Wacker 768, Jen Morgan 689, Brian Joseph 751.

Stacey Huff 265-618, Ed Hellon 747, Phillip Hallums 738, Tim Waldburger 690, Tony Borja 686, Phillip Lantz 756, Tawana Ramey 636, Sam Cominksy 279-739, Kim Rathbun 602, Robert Davie 674.

Caitlin Stone 247-592, Tommy Hall 672, Sean Turner 234-636.

## EJ TACKETT SHAWNEE

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DJ Archer, 174-170
Match one: DJ Archer def. J oseph Grondin, 225-165

FINAL STANDINGS

1. EJ Tackett, $\$ 25,100$
2. Dom Barrett, $\$ 16,000$
3. DJ Archer, $\$ 12,000$
4. Joseph Grondin, $\$ 10,000$
5. Sean Lavery-Spahr, $\$ 8,000$
6. Zac Tackett, $\$ 7,5000$
7. Anthony Simonsen, $\$ 7,000$
8. Dick Allen, $\$ 6,500$
9. Stu Williams, \$6,100
10. Sam Cooley, $\$ 5,500$
11. Tomas Käyhkö, \$5,100
12. Matt Ogle, $\$ 4,800$

For complete standings, visit www.pba.com

## SUMMERS SASBA

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mers, Jim Stephens, Royce Rusher, Dimitri Cruz) stepped up the last match and defeated Team Thompson 209-199 for the title.

It was the 16th SASBA title for Randy, the 44th for Jim and the 5th for Royce.

Fero Williams had the only 300 game this weekend. We had 3 father/son teams bowl.

M ichelle Stephens was the only woman and she cashed!

Thank you to the staff of Rowlett Bowlarama for hosting.

April 1-2 is an Age Bracket tournament at Emerald Bowl in Houston.


## Allen Girls Win the 8th Annual Astro High School Team Challenge

Allen Boys Make Final Four



Allen Eagles Girls Varsity Wins Astro High School Team Challenge

By: Maribel Munguia
SAN ANTONIO, TX - Last month, 40 high school girls and boys teams competed at the 8th Annual Astro High School Team Challenge at Astro Bowl in San Antonio.

In the top 8 girl's bracket, No. 1 seed Allen took on No. 8 seed Randolph in the first round, then defeated No. 5 seed Round Rock to advance to the semi-finals. The Eagles faced No. 2 seed Warren in the championship match and came out on top to claim the title.

In the Boy's bracket, No. 1 seed Allen took on No. 8 seed St. Anthony in the first round, then fell to No. 5 seed East Central. Central moved on to face No. 7 seed Taft who took first place.

Special thanks to Astro Bowl and all the tournament staff and volunteers that made this great event happen.

Congratulations to the Astro High School Team Challenge Girl's Champions and Runners-Up!

## Recipients Selected for 2023 USBC National Recognition Awards

## By: Dave Schroeder

ARLINGTON, Texas - Rebecca Cole of Gresham, Oregon, Dalia Keyes of Valrico, Florida, and Brent Prentice of Eagan, Minnesota, were selected by the United States Bowling Congress Board of Directors to receive USBC National Recognition Awards.

Cole is the Joyce Deitch Unity Award winner, Keyes is this year's recipient of the Helen Baker Award for Outstanding Association Service and Prentice has been selected as the USBC Proprietor of the Year.

The annual awards honor outstanding bowling leaders for their contributions to the sport. Selections were made from submitted applications, and the recipients will receive their awards at the 2023 USBC

Convention in Las Vegas. The USBC J oyce Deitch Unity Award is named in honor of the seventh president of the Women's International Bowling Congress. It recognizes organizations and individuals who have made important contributions to the sport of bowling by being motivators, visionaries, leaders and/or innovators.

Cole has been involved in the sport of bowling, either as a competitor and/ or volunteer, for more than 30 years and is devoted to growing the sport on multiple levels in the Pacific Northwest region.

She is the current Oregon State USBC Association Manager and also serves as that organization's chair of the Cooperative Sponsorship Committee for High School Bowling and Youth Committee. In addi-
tion, Cole serves on the Hall of Fame Committee and the Youth Committee for the Greater Portland USBC and is assistant general manager and league director at KingPins Portland. She has previously filled roles as a league secretary, vice president and president.

Cole, 41, enjoys sharing her knowledge of organizing, promoting and running leagues and tournaments, conducting fundraisers for events and youth bowlers and is a source of encouragement to bowlers of all ages and skill levels.

Not only is Cole the tournament director for multiple organizations in the region, but she also takes the time to promote and assist tournaments that are run by others. She openly shares her knowledge

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## SOUTMMIF®TREPORT

## Youth Bowler Alberto Svedvik Bowls First 300

By: Maribel Munguia
ALLEN, TX - On Saturday, February 18, A Iberto Svedvik bowled his first 300 game during the last district match of the high school bowling season at J B's Allen Bowl!

He finished with the top average in the Dallas North A District, a spot he's held since Week 3 of the 10 week season.

Alberto, a 15 year old, has been bowling at J B's Allen Bowl since 5th grade when he was invited by his PE teacher to join the bowling team at his elementary school.

He fell in love with the sport ever since and has been part of many bowling leagues along with his twin sister Annika.

He bowls using a unique two-handed technique that he taught himself and is rarely ever seen with any other bowler. His coaches say it is hard to coach him because his style is so unique and different, however he sees this as a good challenge for himself and not


Alberto Svedvik
as a problem!
Alberto is currently a freshman at Allen and is a member of the Boys' Varsity Allen Eagles team coached by Roland Martsolf and Hunter Harty.

He has qualified for the singles regional and has earned an automatic spot in the National high school bowling tournament with his sanctioned 300 game! Alberto currently holds a 232 average.


## エOUTMTMFTTR EPORT

## Daniels, Carter and Bundrick Elected to PWBA Hall of Fame in 2023

By: Aaron Smith
ARLINGTON, Texas - The Professional Women's Bowling Association Hall of Fame will welcome three new inductees across three different categories in 2023.

Cheryl Daniels of Detroit was elected to the PW BA Hall of Fame in the Performance category, and Paula Carter of Miami was elected as an Ambassador. Mary Bundrick of Chicago will be inducted posthumously through Meritorious Service/ Builder.

The 2023 PWBA Hall of Fame induction ceremony is scheduled to take place May 17 in Las Vegas in conjunction with the United States Bowling Congress Queens.

The 2023 USBC Queens is scheduled to run from May 1723 at the Sam's Town Bowling Center inside of Sam's Town Hotel and Gambling Hall.

Daniels, 63, has won 10 PWBA Tour titles and owns one major victory at the 1995 U.S. Women's Open.

She collected her first victory at the 1989 Ebonite Firebolt Classic, which kicked off a four-w in season for the talented right-hander. Daniels also collected multiple titles during the 1994 and 1995 seasons. Her last win came in 1996 at the Rossford Golden Triangle Open

In addition to her win at the U.S. Women's Open, she has recorded nine other top-five finishes at majors and was inducted to the USBC Hall of Fame in 2002 for Superior Performance. She's also a member of the Michigan State USBC and Metro Detroit USBC Halls of Fame.

Carter, 71, is a two-time winner at the U.S. Women's Open. The left-hander captured the prestigious victory at the 1971 and 1975 events.

Her performance during the 1971 season helped her earn recognition as the International Bowling Media Association Bowler of the Year and a spot on the All-America team for Bowlers Journal International


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(1970-1971)
She promoted the sport through several national television appearances during the 1970s, helping bring professional women's bowling to a new audience, and in 2011 Carter received the Flowers for the Living Award. She was inducted to the USBC Hall of Fame for Superior Performance in 1994 and also is a member of the Greater Miami USBC, Florida State USBC and Florida Sports Halls of Fame.

Bundrick, who died in 2001 at the age of 89, played a major role in the creation of the PWBA and served as the organization's first president

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of tournament formats and ideas with other tournament organizers for the betterment of the sport, and her devotion to fundraising for local centers, associations and youth bowlers has been a constant over the years.

Cole has been praised for her leadership, innovation and humility in her tireless effort to recruit new bowlers to the sport, grow the base of current bowlers and better the lives of all bowlers in her area.

She is a member of the Greater Portland USBC Hall of Fame (Meritorious Service) and was the Oregon State USBC 2017 Volunteer of the Year.
"I feel very honored and blessed to be chosen to receive the Joyce Deitch Unity Award," said Cole. "This game has given me so much over the years, including lifetime friends, amazing adventures and priceless memories. To be recognized with such a special award brings tears to my eyes, and I'm forever grateful for the opportunities to serve and help grow something I am so passionate about."

The USBC Helen Baker Award for Outstanding Association Service is named in honor of the fifth president of WIBC and recognizes an outstanding bowling leader who has made invaluable contributions to local and state associations as an innovator, creator and mentor of adult programs.

Keyes, 71, has been a member of both the Greater Tampa and Florida State USBC for 49 years. At both levels, Keyes has contributed her time and talent in a variety of roles while serving in a number of director, officer and committee positions.

Keyes is the present Greater Tampa USBC Association Manager and a member of the Youth Committee. On the state level, she is the current Sergeant at Arms, Youth Tourna-
from 1959-1963.
While serving as the executive director of the Les Dames De 700 Bowling Club in the late 1950s, Bundrick looked at the formation of the Professional Bowlers Association in 1958 and hoped to bring together a similar program to show case the top female athletes in the sport.

She hired Georgia Veatch (PW BA and USBC Hall of Famer) to serve as executive director for the new organization and invited eight prominent female bowlers to a meeting that helped set the stage for the creation of the PWBA. At the conclusion of the meeting,
ment Director and Youth Leader Advisor. On the national level, Keyes is a former director of the Women's International Bowling Congress and the Young American Bowling Alliance.

Her commitment to the sport is notew orthy as Keyes has spent countless hours visiting bowling centers in an effort to inform league members about the benefits of sanctioning with the USBC.

Keyes became a USBC trained coach in 2004 and is a tireless advocate for youth bowling in her area. She has spent years conducting youth lessons and traveling to help organize and assist with youth tournaments.
"I am honored and humbled to be accepting the USBC Helen Baker Award this year, and I'm proud to be among the previous winners who have also contributed so much to bowling," said Keyes. "Although I never met Helen Baker, I have worked with many of the women and men who worked under her on the local, state and national levels, and I'm fortunate to have learned from some of the sport's great leaders. It is truly an honor to be given an award like this when you are so passionate about the sport of bowling, and I'd like to thank Ruby Johns, former president of the Tampa Women's Bowling Association, for nominating me.

In addition to being honored as this year's USBC Helen Baker Award recipient, Keyes is a Meritorious Service inductee in the Florida State USBC, Tampa Women's Bowling Association and Florida State USBC Youth Halls of Fame and is a two-time recipient of the Youth Leaders Landen Memorial Dedication Award.

The USBC Proprietor of the Year Award annually recognizes a bowling center proprietor for outstanding support of USBC local, state and/or national association programs.
Prentice, 49, started working at Cedarvale Lanes in Eagan, Minnesota, 28 years ago when
rules, regulations and a constitution had been approved and 23 women were made charter members of the organization.

The PW BA Hall of Fame Committee elected the 2023 class based on submitted applications. The committee is comprised of PW BA Hall of Fame members, board members of the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America and USBC and bowling media members.

Through 2022, there are 44 members of the PW BA Hall of Fame - 26 in performance, 10 in Ambassador and eight in Meritorious Service/ Builder.

To learn more about the PW BA Tour, visit PW BA.com.
he took a job working the counter while in college. From there, he quickly progressed to assistant bowling center manager, center manager, president, and then, 20 years ago, co-proprietor of the 32-Iane venue.

Under his leadership, Cedarvale Lanes added Fitz's Bar and Grill and a space for volleyball. Perhaps most notably, Prentice has made the facility a hub for tournaments of all different levels, from professional to youth.

Cedarvale Lanes played host to Professional Women's Bowlers Association tour stops in 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2022, generating excitement for the sport within the community, especially among the younger bowlers who were able to experience the sport at its highest level.

Prentice also has made Cedarvale Lanes available for numerous high school tournaments, hosted Special Olympics events and has created a youth program that quickly built itself to more than 150 participants.

Additionally, he was the catalyst for Minnesota submitting a bid for a future USBC Junior Gold tournament. Community members cite Prentice's "Why Not Us" attitude when noting what makes Cedarvale Lanes the perfect place for tournament organizers and coaches who support growing the sport, especially for youth bowlers.

Prentice started bowling when he was seven years old and has 32300 games and 31 800 series to his credit. He earned numerous state and local titles before retiring from competitive bowling in 2007 and is a member of the Twin Cities Bowling Association and Minnesota State Halls of Fame in the Superior Performance category.

Prentice is quick to credit his entire staff for their skill and support and notes he couldn't do anything without them.

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"I'm so honored to receive this aw ard from the USBC feel like this is a Super Bowltype award for myself and the Cedarvale and Fitz's Bar and Grill team," said Prentice. "You can't win a Super Bowl without a great team, and that's what we've had here for many years So, this is our award, not just mine."

The National Recognition Awards will be presented during the 2023 USBC Convention and Annual Meeting, which is set for April 24-27 at South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas.

Visit BOW L.com/ScholarshipsAwards for more information on the National Recognition Awards and to learn about past recipients.

Visit BOW L.com/ Convention for information about the 2023 USBC Convention.
At Tenpins \& More

## LPBT Co-founder, PWBA Hall of Famer John Falzone Dies at Age 80

By: Gene J. Kanak
ARLINGTON, Texas - John Falzone of Morris Chapel, Tennessee, co-founder of the Ladies Professional Bowlers Tour and a Professional Women's Bowling Association Hall of Famer, died Monday at the age of 80 .

Falzone co-founded the LPBT in 1981 shortly after the dissolution of the Women's Pro fessional Bowlers Association.

He served as both LPBT President and Commissioner while tour operations were headquartered at The Cherry Bowl in his hometown of Rockford, Illinois.

Among Falzone's many achievements while running the LPBT was his development of Sam's Town Hotel \& Gambling Hall's umbrella sponsor-
ship of the tour, which helped guarantee that the sport's best female competitors would have a world class venue to compete in on a yearly basis.

That accomplishment and many others led to Falzone's 1996 enshrinement in the PW BA Hall of Fame in the Meritorious/ Builder Category, which is reserved for those who have advanced the PW BA as an organization and promoted the PW BA Tour through media.

Falzone is survived by his wife of 61 years, Kathy Falzone, his daughter Bonnie Falzone-Capriola, and by multiple grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

For more information on the PWBA Hall of Fame, visit PW BA.com/ HallOfFamel

## Linares smashes 300/774, Carver scores 774

Martin, Shelton, Topping 300's, Carver, Grado, Martin 299's, Muller 298

RIO RANCHO, NM - Aileen Linares topped the charts at Tenpins \& More last month with an award-winning 216-300-258 $=774$ Thursday Doubles league session.

Andrew Carver, from the $2 \times 2$ group, led the men's leader board with a power-packed 265-254-255 $=774$ set.

Jeremiah Martin, Wendy Shelton and Phil Topping shared high-game honors with Linares with award-winning 12-baggers. Andrew Carver, Lane Grado and

## At Hilltop Lanes

Jeremiah Martin took runnerup honors with near-perfect 299 solos while Dominique Muller followed with a 298 game.

## HONOR ROLL

R J Rice 255-717, Alena Gonzales 191-560, Sandra Lopez 225-661, Rusty Coffey 246-642, Karen Coffey 269-705, Greg Kenneth 289-724, Troian Donnachaidh 182-483, David Williamson (4 games) 265-1008. Bobbie Vega (4 games) 257-896, A aron Epstein 266-755, Johnna Mora 289-667, Rick Candelaria 279-771, Kassi Romero

211-621, Chris Sanders 266-741, J oseph Paterson 267-711, Becky Fisher 269-612. Duane M arcum (4 games) 249-795, Carson Opela (4 games) 223-795, Jon Arevalo 257-674, Tammy Michel 173-455, Becky Fisher 230-624, Angel Ortega 246-687, Melissa Danks 247-725.

Kenneth Friedrich 258-709, J olene Sokohl 205-562, Leonard Marquez 249-686, Destiny Barnard 149-362. SENIORS
Lane Grado 257-705, Becky Fisher 244-618, Bob Thurston 289-750, Becky Fisher 245-603.

## McGinnis hammers 761, Burrows bags 677

Harris, Martin 299's

WAXAHACHIE, TX - Chuck McGinnis led the high-set chase last month at Hilltop Lanes with an estimable 279/761 league showing.

J oyce Burrows' stately 258/677 outing paced the ladies.

Henry Harris and John M artin shared high-game accolades with near-perfect 299 solos. HONOR ROLL
Michael Wood 717, Michael Radamaker 679, Glenn Gann 290-729, Henry Harris 717, Johnny Michael 259-697, Bob Massey 266-692, Tony Jurkash 247-675, Chris Parker 269-728, Brian Lance 705.
Raymond Lehew 257-722, J oel Nash 248-710, Rod Lewis 253-694, Zach

Crockett 267-748, Johnny Michae 279-747, Scott Dodson 279-733, Kyle Shoemaker 269-717, Tony Jurkash 258-723.

Joey Kirton 234-676, Doug Anderson 267-744, Kyle Shoemaker 267-731, Samantha Armstrong 257-580, Natasha Stamp 547, Tori Townsel 216-547, Natasha Stamp 203-536, Caitlyn Chapman 215-596.

Lainee Hill 211-482, J oyce Burrows 209-589, Danata Kubitz 205-563, Donna Lonon 202-549, Karleen Reynolds 229653, Jackie Fisher 233-598, Deb Dodson 205-559, Samantha Armstrong 256-662

Terri Watts 235-653, Karry Vossler 212-623, Terri Watts 245-587, Tracy Ratchford 236-579, Amanda Hale 205590, Deanna Stockton 204-565.

## SENIORS

John Martin 711, Bobby Williams 269-640, Gary Palmerlee 266-654, Paul Allee 247-639, Raymond Lehew 289-759, Randy Stiller 254-691, Pete Seibel 267-728, Raymond Lehew 728, Wally Mahoney 277-678.

John M artin 662, David Nelson 665, Floyd Greenwood 658, Jerry Kralich 256-655, Pete Seibel 242-682, Norman Kunkle 235-638, Cliff Asselin 576, Donna Lonon 551, Ann Kunkle 197-540.

Pat Gant 573, Sandra Downey 206-521, Debbie Moore 215-560, Vickie Ratliff 523, Donna Lonon 552, Ann Mauldin 202-528, Terri Griffith 213-592, Tricia Luedtke 204-541, Deb Dodson 213-615.

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Welcome Ladies to the New Mexico Women's State Tournament Weekends March 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19

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## OLIVIA PHILLIPS

16, from Bokchito, OK and is a home-schooled sophomore. She has an amazing lineup of coaches, Chris Warren, Butch Warren, and Stefanie Johnson that help advance her game. She bowls three days a week and has to put in some serious mileage to bowl, but she does it with a huge smile on her face. Two weeks ago, she won the Youth Scratch Masters at PSB, and now she is turning her attention to Jr. Gold with the goal of making the cut for the first time.
Hometown Bowling Center: Plano Super Bowl
How did you get started bowling? I started in a home school group in Medford, Ore. My grandmother made me go and I fell in love with it immediately; I was 11 at the time. It was my first time ever bowling. We moved down here to have more opportunities to bowl.
High Game/Series: 299 that I shot in December at Plano. Favorite Bowler: Kelly Kulick. She is the only bowler to win a Major PBA title and she was the first professional bowler I had ever met.
Favorite bowling accomplishment: Winning the Youth Scratch Masters last month. It was my 16th birthday and I was excited to be bowling. I didn't start out so good, but in the 3rd game it clicked, and I told my best friend that if I made the cut, I was going win the tournament. Bowling the final against Veronyca West was hard because she had been bowling so well, but I had Butch, Chris, and Christopher helping me out.
What other hobbies do you have? Brazilian Ju-Jitsu. I felt that I needed to do something to stay in shape for bowling and to keep my mind sharp. There's a really good gym close to my house.
What do you love most about bowling? It's lots of fun and I like the community.
What are your bowling goals? I do want to bowl in college, not sure which one, but I'm hoping to do that. I would love to bowl professionally on both the Women's and Men's tour.
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