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Bowling's "Roll" Model

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Cystic fibrosis doesn't stop Al Jones, a PBA member, Bronze level coach and pro shop owner.

Al Jones was born with cystic fibrosis 44 years ago. Like most young boys, he wanted to participate in sports, but the only one that wouldn't literally take his breath away was bowling. So he started bowling at age five, going to the center with his parents.



And he just kept going.

Now a PBA member and pro shop owner living in Sparta, NJ, Jones was an early poster child for a "Bowl For Breath" fundraiser in Morris County, New Jersey. While the life expectancy of a CF infant born in the late 1960s was about 17 or 18 years, Jones has already beaten those odds several times over.

It hasn't always been easy, though. Jones developed severe breathing problems when he was 21 years old. "It's like being born with emphysema without ever having smoked," he said.

In 1996, Jones' doctor suggested he get on a waiting list for a double lung transplant. When a donor became available three long years later, he trekked to the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, which he said, "transplants everything—livers, kidneys, lungs." The operation took place on December 26, 1999. Jones says he was up and walking three days later.

A little less than one year later, he shot 300-838 at Rockaway Lanes in Rockaway, NJ, nearly besting the house record of 857.

While donors in the transplant program remain anonymous, Jones said he sent his 300 ring to the transplant record-keepers to forward to the donor family as a "thank you."

He later opened up two pro shops with fellow PBA member and Gold level certified coach, Ken Yokobosky. Jones also never let his condition get in the way of bowling in PBA regional events in the next several years, finishing as high as third in one tournament. He also bowled in the U.S. Transplant Games in 2002 and 2004, winning both times.

"It was more difficult than I thought [it would be]," said Jones, who likened being in the Parade of Athletes and medal ceremonies to taking part in the Olympics.

In 2008 at age 42, however, Jones developed new complications and went on a waiting list for a second double-lung transplant.

"Fortunately, it was a shorter wait list for a repeat patient," Jones said. "The doctors didn't know why my lungs started being rejected."

If the waiting list was shorter the second time, recovery was longer. No three-days-and-out. Four months of physical therapy followed the second operation.

"It was a tougher surgery this time," Jones said. "The first three months, I stayed in the hospital on my back."

Bowling helped Jones get back on his feet. He couldn't wait to get back to the pro shop, back on the lanes, and back to being a Bronze level coach. With renewed determination, Jones won his county all-events and singles in 2010, just 11 months after surgery. He posted an even 800 in singles and 2,192 over nine games in all-events.



Jones on the lanes coaching.

What does bowling mean to Al Jones?

"Bowling for me has always been a passion," he said. "It helped define me as a person, more than [being] a person who is ill. Most people don't know me as the sick kid, but more as the good bowler.

"It gave me inspiration," Jones continued. "Bowling was something I lived for. I was supposed to die when I was 18, as I had seen my two sisters die. So my goal as a kid was to live to age 30. That was a big deal [for cystic newborns], to see that many years.

"I have faith in God and try to live life to the fullest," he said.

Jones admits it makes him happy when people tell him that he inspired them to become organ donors.

"Not only me, but also the 100,000 people a year waiting for transplants," he said. "You never know who can use the organs. It may even be someone in your own family.

"I take one day at a time because I never know what's going to happen next. I just want to be a good person and help people along the way."



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Ask Bea!

Happy Halloween



Dear Bea: It is time for leagues to start again and I have one small problem with the bowler that bowls just before me. She uses a towel each time she bowls. Then she leaves it on the ball rack and the towel will block balls from coming back sometimes or it will fall on the floor and I have to pick it up. It is a drag. Is there some way I can get her to stop leaving it in the way?

Cleanup

Dear Cleanup: Get your own towel. When you get up to bowl put it in her chair.


Dear Bea: Our team has a lot of bowlers that bring 2-, 3- and 4-ball bags. It is like bowling in a mine field. There isn't any room on the concourse. Everyone is tripping on everyone's bags, including their own bag. Where can we put our bags? What can we do to keep our area clear. **Tripper**

Dear Tripper: Put them under your chair. Put them in the pit area under the chairs. Put them on the lanes next to yours so they can deal with it. Buy some yellow "caution" tape and line them up and wrap them in the tape. Fold, reuse. Also, watch where you are walking.


Dear Bea: I have really bad breath. I like to brush my teeth before bowling. Another bowler came in and saw me brushing my teeth and said I was gross for brushing there. Was I? **Brusher**

Dear Brusher: No, don't stop—kill the bad breath!

Bowlers: Please send in your questions for totally useless advice. It probably won't solve them—but it could help you (and all of us) to laugh at them. Life is too short to take it all seriously—let us laugh with you.



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Going Home Again

Mark Merrill, LaDonna and Josh Hale are headed back home to sunny Florida. They came to Houston three years ago and became part of the Houston bowling family. Mark has been a bowler for many years but LaDonna and Josh had always been spectators. The mother and son pair got bit by the bowling bug and started bowling. They loved to compete in the Jack Benny Tournament and the no-taps. They have been known to try their hand at the 40-Frame as well.

Mark was a member of the TCBA Houston Independent North Men's league. He was a regular in Freddie's Friday Night competitions and any other tournament. Mark won a spot in the AMF finals and represented the Houston Area. He is a fierce competitor.

They will hold a special place in our hearts as we wish them a safe trip home and as always good luck and good bowling in Florida.

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Chuck Pezzano *Pins and Puns*

... Bowling has been fortunately immune from many natural disasters but recently the Eastern United States had to alter league and tournament activities because of earthquakes and a hurricane—all in the same week.

There's an oft told tale about a bowler in Japan who had a string of strikes and when the final ball was rolled an earthquake hit. All the pins went down but the question remained whether the bowler or the quake caused the final pinfall. Every possible witness had left the building.

... Slow bowling is still a problem in bowling and the pro and high average bowlers take the most time. In most cases they just wait for too many lanes to clear before they bowl. There have been six game blocks of bowling that took longer than it takes to fly across the country. But don't just blame the higher averagers. Many of the lower averagers are too busy chatting or watching television and must be reminded when it is their turn.

Remember, most of the greatest bowlers took little time once they set themselves for trips to the foul line.

... There once was a bowler who was annoyed because every time he was ready to roll his opponent would suddenly cough loudly.

"You cough one more time when I'm about to bowl and I'll punch you out," said the bothered one. There were no more coughs.

At the end of the match the would be puncher presented his foe with a bill for \$50.

"What's this for?" said the startled loser.

The winner smiled as he noted, "I cured your cough, didn't I."

... Bowling Halls of Fame, on all levels, are usually criticized of not electing enough persons to their Halls—or too many. What are the extremes in other sports? In women's pro golf in some cases you need thirty titles, while on the flip side the boxing Hall often honors twenty new inductees in a single year. That's what makes Hall of Fame committees so important, figuring out what is best for your particular Hall. The main attribute should be domination in any sort in the years in which you competed. A talent in one era likely would have been a talent in any era.

... A bad tournament bowler is a person who now carries copies of scoresheets where his money used to be.

... Somewhere along the line every great was an unknown. A win or steady stellar performances make an unknown a known. Future success and recognition depends on future wins. Seldom is there more than a few luck wins. It is too hard to practice luck.

... Did you ever notice that the bowlers who keep telling other bowlers that it is only a game always is the bowler who is winning.

... A 1914 edition of Spalding's "How to Bowl" advised women bowlers, "A woman should dress properly. A short walking skirt, shirt waist and low heeled shoes make an excellent combination. Every garment should fit loosely, and allow for freedom of action to the muscles."

That was good advice nearly 100 years ago—and still is.

... I repeat, how many bowlers who kick the rack would kick the rack if the rack could kick back? And I wonder what the bowler who kicks the ball return rack would do if the bowling center owned kicked the bowler's car?

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PBA South Region Tournament Director Harry O'Neale to Retire

PBA's longest-standing regional manager says "it's time to enjoy the retired life"

SEATTLE (Sept. 2, 2011) – After a half-century of involvement with the Professional Bowlers Association, PBA South Region Tournament Director Harry O'Neale has announced "it's time to enjoy the retired life. Whatever that is."

O'Neale, who has managed a highly successful regional program that began with 160 members and grew significantly during his 31 and a half years of supervision, will officially leave his post on Sept. 9. He will be 69 in November.

"We've been thinking about it for a few months," he said. "We're ready to go. That's all. I've been doing this for 31 1/2 years, and decided it's time... I've been involved with PBA for more than 50 years, since I was 19. I bowled in my first PBA event in 1961 when I was at the University of Houston.

O'Neale, who lives just outside Charleston, S.C., with his wife Gloria, was operating his own bowling center when he was retained to replace PBA charter member Lee Hefner as the South Region's tournament manager in 1980.

"I've got a house full of memories," he grinned. "When I took over, the South Region had 160 members. We've been as high as 1,200 and have run as many as 40 tournaments a year."

"The PBA is losing an institution," said PBA Commissioner and CEO Fred Schreyer. "Harry's leadership in the South Region has been extraordinary. Through the professionalism he has always exhibited in operating events on behalf of the PBA, he has created opportunities for dozens of youth players to develop the skills that led them to successful careers as PBA Tour competitors. He's going to be missed."

The PBA is in the process of naming O'Neale's successor.

Sam Zurich to Succeed Harry O'Neale

One of the PBA's most successful regional competitors will now be on the other end of the business, running the show from behind the lanes rather than on the approaches.

Sam Zurich of Grant, Fla., a two-time PBA Tour titlist, a PBA Senior Tour winner and a 38-time PBA Regional champion, has been named PBA South Region manager, succeeding veteran Harry O'Neale who has retired after heading the South Region for more than 31 years.

Zurich, 55, has been assisting O'Neale for the past two years in preparation for his new role. His experiences as a competitor include 275 PBA Tour tournaments with seven television appearances including titles in the 1982 Showboat Doubles Classic with partner Nelson Burton Jr. and the 1983 Buffalo Open; 38 PBA Senior Tour events, with a win in the 2007 Senior Northern Illinois Classic in Waukegan, Ill., and 304 PBA Regionals including 38 titles.

Zurich also was selected as the 1982 Steve Nagy Sportsmanship Award winner by his fellow competitors and he won the 2007 PBA Senior Rookie of the Year award.

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Mohr Has Great Senior Year

Best Year Ever? Mohr Dominates 2011 PBA Senior Tour Statistical Races Williams shatters average record, but Alaskan star wins points, earnings titles.

Professional Bowlers Association Senior Player of the Year Ron Mohr of Eagle River, Alaska, may have experienced the most successful year ever in dominating the 11-tournament 2011 PBA Senior Tour schedule.

That lofty conclusion comes at the end of a year in which Mohr won a record-tying four titles in the 10 PBA Senior Tour events he entered, supported by a stunning 67-30 record in his head-to-head matches (a 69 percent success rate) and an equally impressive qualifying record. In 10 tournaments, Mohr was the leading qualifier twice, No. 2 twice and he qualified lower than seventh only one time.

His "bad" event might have been his most impressive. After struggling to 77th place after the first eight qualifying games in the Senior Decatur (Ill.) Open,

Mohr moved up 53 places over the next eight games to make the cut to match play by four pins, qualifying a season-worst 24th.



In addition to his four titles – including his first major championship in the Senior U.S. Open – Mohr finished out of the top four only one time. He was second twice, third twice, fourth and had a 13-place finish in Decatur. For the record, the only tournament he didn't enter was the USBC Senior Masters which he missed in order to attend a family wedding.

Tom Baker (2006), Dale Eagle (1999) and Pete Couture (1998) also had four-title seasons, but only Baker's was in a comparable number of events (nine). In 2006, Baker finished second, third, fifth, seventh and 24th in his other five events. Eagle won four times in a 15-tournament schedule while Couture won his four titles in a 14-event season.

Mohr also won the 2011 earnings crown, taking \$56,100 to the bank. Walter Ray Williams Jr. of Ocala, Fla., was second with \$37,400 followed by Harry Sullins of Chesterfield Township, Mich., with \$36,450. And Mohr's consistency led to an easy victory in the competition points race where he compiled 217,602 points to top Williams' 195,671.

No one had a perfect 11-for-11 cashing record, but of the nine players who cashed in 10 events, Mohr, Baker, Peter Knopp and Henry Gonzalez were 10-for-10 while Williams, Sullins, Mike Henry, Kenny Parks and Eagle cashed in 10 of 11 events.

The only statistical category where Mohr fell short was in scoring average where Williams blistered the PBA Senior Tour record. Williams, a living PBA Tour legend who has rewritten the record book over his illustrious 47-title career, bounced back from his worst PBA Tour season to shatter the PBA Senior Tour average record, bowling at a 229.56 pace in erasing the previous record of 226.32 set by Baker in 2006. Mohr was a distant second, finishing at 225.98.

While Williams struggled in match play, he had an amazing qualifying record. He led all Senior Tour qualifiers five times and finished second three other times. But in his other three events, Williams qualified 12th, 18th and his worst qualifying finish was in the season-ending Senior Dayton Classic.

Pappas Wins 23rd PBA Regional and Joins "Five Decade Club"

PBA Hall of Famer George Pappas of Charlotte, N.C., joined the elite group of members to win PBA titles in five different decades when he defeated Richard Bucey of Forest Hill, Md., 224-220, to win the PBA East Region Howell Lanes Senior Open at Howell Lanes in Howell, N.J., on Sunday, Sept. 11.

Pappas, 64, picked up his 13th senior regional title (23rd overall) and his first since 2009 on his way to the \$1,500 top prize. He defeated fellow PBA Hall of Famer and "Five Decade Club" member Johnny Petraglia of Jackson, N.J., 223-193, to advance to the title match. Bucey defeated Mike Tryniski of Fulton, N.Y., 213-179, in the semifinal round eliminating Brad Angelo of Lockport, N.Y., 239-228, in his second match.

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PBA Southwest Regional News,

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Wes Malott Wins PBA Southwest Region Greenville Open

August 29, 2011 – Wes Malott, from Pflugerville, Texas, defeated Mark Scroggins of Amarillo, Texas, 200-185, to win the 6th annual Professional Bowlers Association Southwest Region Greenville Open at DB's Sports Grill and Bowl Sunday.

Malott won seven of his eight games in the single-elimination match play finals on his way to capturing his 12th PBA Regional tournament win. Malott surrendered a 32 pin lead when he failed to convert the 2-4-8-10 split in his eighth frame. Scroggins mounted a challenge and could have clinched the title with three strikes in the 10th frame. When Scroggins opened, Malott clinched the victory when he struck in his 10th frame.

Malott eliminated D.J. Archer, of Garland, Texas, 265-164, in their semifinal round match, after sweeping Jay Futrell, of Derby, Kan., in their best-of-three-game Round of 8 match, 2-0, and recording a 3-1 win over Steve Stanton, Fort Smith, Ark., in their best-of-five-game Round of 16 match.

Scroggins advanced to the final match by defeating Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 193-171, in their semifinal match. Scroggins eliminated Chris Hibbitts II, Fort Worth, Texas and Mike Bailey, of Frisco, Texas, in his earlier matches.

Scroggins earned \$1,400 for second place. Waliczek and Archer each earned \$975 as semifinal round losers.

Championship: Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas (\$2,300) def. Mark Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, (\$1,400), 200-185.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$975): Malott def. D.J. Archer, Garland, Texas, 265-164. Scroggins def. Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., 193-171.

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers earned \$750 each): Malott def. Jay Futrell, Derby, Kan., 2-0. Scroggins def. Chris Hibbitts II, Fort Worth, Texas, 2-0. Archer def. Nathan Bohr, Derby, Kan., 2-0. Waliczek def. Tyler Jensen, Fort Worth, Texas, 2-0,

Round of 16 (best of five games, losers earned \$600): Malott def. Steve Stanton, Fort Smith, Ark., 3-1. Futrell def. Chad Newman, Richardson, Texas, 3-2. Scroggins def. Mike Bailey, Frisco, Texas, 3-1. Hibbitts def. Charlie Mills, Pasadena, Texas 3-0. Archer def. Kevin Mitchell, Tulsa, Okla., 3-1. Bohr def. Andy Mortensen, Irving, Texas, 3-2. Waliczek def. Rick Lawrence, Waxahachie, Texas, 3-2. Jensen def. Will Hoge, Sand Spring, Okla., 3-2.

300 game- Chris Hibbitts II

Jason Duran Wins PBA Southwest Region Golden Bowl Open

September 5, 2011—Amateur Jason Duran of Greeley, Colorado, defeated Frank Guccione of Castle Rock, Colorado, 179-163, to win the 2011 Professional Bowlers Association Southwest Region Golden Bowl Miller Lite/Coors Open at Golden Bowl Sunday.

The win was Duran's third victory in PBA Regional competition. He earned \$2,400 for the win. Duran trailed Guccione going into the final frames, as both bowlers had trouble on the right lane. Guccione split again on that lane in the ninth frame, and then opened in the 10th to open the door for Duran who struck on his first shot in the 10th to secure the victory.

Duran eliminated Kevin Croucher of Grants Pass, Oregon, 256-171, in their semifinal round match, after defeating host proprietor Mike Keily, Littleton, Colo., in the Round of 8. Guccione advanced to the final match by defeating Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 191-162. Guccione also was victorious over Scott Christensen, Boulder, Colo., in the opening round.

Guccione earned \$1,400 for second place. Cooper and Mike Scroggins each earned \$1,000 as semifinal round losers.

Championship: a-Jason Duran, Greeley, Colo., (\$2,400) def. Frank Guccione, Castle Rock, Colo. (\$1,500), 179-163.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$1,000): a-Duran def. Kevin Croucher, Grants Pass, Ore., 256-171. Guccione, def. Nathan Bohr, Wichita, Kan., 191-161.

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers earned \$750 each): a-Duran def. Mike Keily, Littleton, Colo., 3-0. Guccione def. a-Scott Christensen, Amarillo, Colo., 3-1. Bohr def. George Brooks, Loveland, Colo. 3-1. Croucher def. a-Evan Gouladdle, Wichita, Kansas, 3-0.

Sean Swanson Wins PBA Southwest Region Fort Smith Super Regional Open

September 27, 2011 – Sean Swanson, from Springfield, Mo., defeated David Williams, Jr. of Omaha, Neb., 244-237, to win the 9th annual Professional Bowlers Association Southwest Region Fort Smith Super Regional Open at Bowling World Sunday.

Swanson won seven of his ten games in the single-elimination match play finals on his way to capturing his 18th PBA Regional tournament title and the \$5,000 prize. Swanson escaped with the victory when Williams failed to strike in the tenth frame, leaving the seven pin. Swanson eliminated Tyler Jensen, of Fort Worth, Texas, 246-222, in their semifinal round match, after edging Mike Edwards, of Tulsa, Okla., in their best-of-three-game Round of 8 match, 2-1, and recording a 3-2 win over Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan., in their best-of-five-game Round of 16 match.

Williams advanced to the final match by defeating David Anthony, Austin, Texas, 258-205, in their semifinal match. Williams eliminated Nathan Bohr, Derby, Kan., and Dino Castillo, of Carrollton, Texas, in his earlier matches. Williams earned \$2,500 for second place. Jensen and Anthony each earned \$1,500 as semifinal round losers.

Championship: Sean Swanson, Springfield, Mo., (\$5,000) def. David Williams, Jr., Omaha, Neb., (\$2,500), 244-237.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$1,500): Swanson def. Tyler Jensen, Fort Worth, Texas, 246-222. Williams def. David Anthony, Austin, Texas, 258-205.

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers earned \$975 each): Swanson def. Mike Edwards, Tulsa, Okla., 2-1. Williams def. Nathan Bohr, Derby, Kan., 2-0. Jensen def. a-Pete Thomas, Oklahoma City, Okla., 2-0. Anthony def. Kurt Gengelbach, Carrollton, Texas, 2-0.

Round of 16 (best of five games, losers earned \$725): Swanson def. Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kansas, 3-2. Edwards def. Mitch Beasley, Clarksville, Tennessee 3-1. Williams def. Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas, 3-1. Bohr def. Chad Newman, Richardson, Texas, 3-1. Jensen def. Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas, 3-0. a-Thomas def. Randy Shewmake, Fort Worth, Texas, 3-0. Anthony def. a-Doc Dougherty, Oklahoma City, Okla. 3-0. Gengelbach def. Joe Findling, Mesquite, Texas, 3-1. 300 game- Kevin Andes, Clint Dacy, Dino Castillo, David Anthony, a-Casey Murphy.

PBA Southwest/Midwest Region Sr Events

October 4, 2011 – PBA Hall of Famer Walter Ray Williams Jr. from Ocala, Fla., and Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., each won Professional Bowlers Association Southwest/Midwest Senior Regional titles at Junction City Bowl in Junction City, Kan., this weekend.

On Saturday, Williams defeated Dias in the one-day Junction City Bowl Viper Senior Open, 247-177, to claim the \$1,000 winner's check. The next day, Dias eliminated Williams in the semi-final match, 288-279, and then downed Mike Mineman, St. Louis, Mo., 215-189, to claim the Junction City Bowl Cheetah Senior Open. For Williams, who owns a record 47 PBA Tour titles and 30 standard PBA Regional titles, this was his first PBA Senior Regional title. Dias added his Senior Regional title to his first PBA Senior Tour title, earned earlier in the year in Florida.

Championship: Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., (\$1,000) def. Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo. (\$650), 247-177.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$475): Williams def. Henry Gonzalez, Colorado Springs, Colo., 266-226. Dias def. Marc Lineberry, Comanche, Iowa, 202-192.

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers earned \$400 each): Williams def. Shannon Starnes, Fort Worth, Texas, 3-0. Gonzalez def. Scott Lindsey, Omaha, Neb., 3-0. Dias def. Mike Mineman, St. Louis, Mo., 3-1. Lineberry def. Joel Carlson, Omaha, Neb., 3-1. 300 game - Marc Lineberry.

Championship: Mike Dias, Lafayette, Colo., (\$1,000) def. Mike Mineman, St. Louis, Mo., (\$650) 215-189.

Semifinal Round (losers earned \$475): Dias def. Walter Ray Williams Jr., Ocala, Fla., 288-279. Mineman def. Gary Dickinson, Edmond, Okla., 258-224

Round of 8 (best of three games, losers earned \$400 each):

Williams def. Jorge Gutierrez, Las Cruces, NM, 3-1. Mineman def. Dean Jones, McKinney, Texas, 3-2. Dias def. Gerry Keslar, Tonganoxie, Kan., 3-1. Dickinson def. Henry Gonzalez, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3-1.

Viva Las Vegas—Clear Lake Style

The Fred Randall Viva Las Vegas League celebrated its 25th anniversary on August 29th. Fred Randall started the league 25 years ago at AMF Clear Lake Lanes. It was a special celebration of Fred Randall's life and his contribution to bowling and the league's bowlers.

Fred passed earlier this year and could not be with his friends to celebrate the league's anniversary. His wife Sandy Randall continues to drive the league forward as the league secretary. Last fall, this league had about 60 bowlers and now proudly reports that this year the league is over a 100 bowlers.

The manager of AMF Clear Lake Lanes, Paul Stevens, wanted the celebration to be special for this devoted group of bowlers. He went to work and cooked 80 pounds of beef and 40 pounds of pork. The party was a success. There was such an awesome turn out and it touched many of the bowlers' hearts. The league received two hours of free bowling on the night of the party. Picture on the right: president of the league Ahmad Skinner, Secretary Sandy Randall and Vice President James Butler, and Paul Stevens, General Manager, AMF Clear Lake.

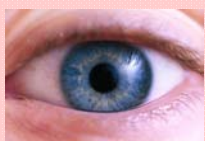
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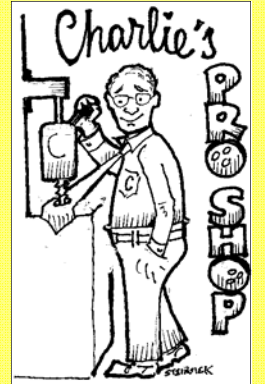
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Cougar Tourney News

By Bill Schwehr

Taylor Ward and Todd Moreno took individual honors at the 35th Annual SWIBC 2011 Fall Singles Classic held this past September 24 at Palace Lanes in Houston, Texas. This singles tournament which is an annual event to kick off the upcoming collegiate bowling season saw Taylor Ward *three peat* with wins in the 2009, 2010 and now in 2011. Ward qualified first in the ladies division with an 836 four-game total and defeated Claudia Meeks 2-1 in a best of three game finals match. Todd Moreno, a University of Houston graduate student, qualified second in a field of 60 bowlers representing 13 schools, with a 830 four-game total and defeated Anthony Lavery-Spahr 2-1 in a best of three game finals match. Meeks represented the University of Louisiana-Lafayette while Lavery-Spahr bowled for North Texas State University.

The SWIBC (South West Intercollegiate Bowling Conference) heads to Edmond, OK to compete in their 1st conference team tournament of the year.

Additional information on this year's tournament and entry information for next year's event can be obtained from William Schwehr, University of Houston, wswwehr@central.uh.edu.

Christie Draper and Cameron McQueen took home individual honors in the Back to School High School Scholarship Singles tournament which took place September 24 at Palace Lanes in Houston, Texas. Christie Draper from Boyd HS (McKinney, TX) topped Madeleine McDuff from Katy HS in the best of 3 games final match. Christie was top qualifier amongst the girls with a 714 four-game total. Cameron McQueen (home schooled) bested top qualifier Joseph Starks bowling for Morton Ranch HS (Katy, TX) in the best of three game finals match. Joseph earned top qualifying honors with 844 four-game total.

This tournament is sponsored by the Cougar Bowling Club of the University of Houston. Additional information on this year's tournament and entry information for next year's event can be obtained from Bill Schwehr, University of Houston, wswwehr@central.uh.edu.



Former Bowler Martha Perez Earns Prestigious Internship

Perez will work with Career Athletes at UMES.

PRINCESS ANNE, Md.—Two-time All-America selection Martha Perez (Bogota, Colombia) has begun her post-college bowling life on the right track, earning an internship with the national organization Career Athletes. Perez is one of 50 interns in the nation to earn the opportunity.

The 12-week program is for individuals looking to gain professional experience in a campus setting. Kim Pence, the Director of Student-Athlete Development and Internships at Career Athletes is excited about supervising the program. "The fall 2011 Career Athletes Internship is shaping up to be the most successful yet," she said. "I had the unique pleasure of launching this program just over a year ago and have watched it grow from 20 to 50 interns!"

The overall goal of the internship is to help grow and increase activity in the Career Athlete networks of each individual intern. Throughout the semester, interns will gain experience in selecting assignments relating to professional presentations, social media strategies, e-mail campaigning, and marketing. In addition, all interns will learn the importance and value of creating a professional network.

"After screening and interviewing hundreds of candidates, it is obvious this internship has truly become an elite and competitive opportunity," explained Pence. "I am proud to work with each of these fine individuals as they represent themselves and Career Athletes in a professional setting."

Perez, who now works at UMES as a Graduate Assistant for Compliance, was recently named an Arthur Ashe Sports Scholar and was the UMES Department of Social Science's Most Outstanding Student at an honors convocation last year. Perez is a former MEAC Most Outstanding Performer, was a CoSIDA Capital One First-Team Academic All-District II Team selection and holds three National Championships on her collegiate resume, two NCAA titles in 2008 and 2011 and a 2011 USBC Collegiate title.

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Kelly Kulick To Bare Almost All In October 7 Issue Of Espn The Magazine

Kelly Kulick, the only woman ever to win a PBA Tour title and a three-time PBA Tour exempt player, will be among a select group of athletes who will bare almost all in a "Body We Want" section of the Oct. 7 issue of ESPN the Magazine.

Kulick, the 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions winner, will appear along with gymnast Alicia Sacramone, snowboarder Gretchen Bleiler, soccer goalie Hope Solo, NBA star Blake Griffin, New York Mets shortstop Jose Reyes, St. Louis Rams running back Steven Jackson and several other athletes who posed nude – discreetly – for ESPN The Magazine's third annual "Body Issue."

All of the athletes will appear naked or barely-clothed (with private parts strategically covered), ESPN The Magazine editor-in-chief Chad Millman told USA Today. It will be the magazine's third "exploration and celebration of the athletic form," he noted.

Other female athletes baring their physiques will be WNBA competitor Sylvia Fowles, LPGA rookie Belen Mozo, track and field star Natasha Hastings, hockey player Julie Chu, tennis player Vera Zvonareva, surfer Steph Gilmore and tattooed roller derby player Suzy Hotrod. The other male athletes will be speedskater Apolo Ohno, NHL player Ryan Kesler, UFC light heavyweight champion Jon Jones, IndyCar racer Helio Castroneves, boxer Sergio Martinez, marathoner Ryan Hall and paralympian Jeremy Campbell.

"In the short time we've been doing it, this is an issue that has become pretty anticipated," says Millman. "In terms of the athletes we've attracted, we feel like the group is really strong."

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Diverse Group of 49 Exempt Players Set for 2011-12 PBA Tour Season

New Exempt Players Championship to provide "major" drama during World Series of Bowling

SEATTLE (Sept. 23, 2011) – Four first-time Professional Bowlers Association title winners, players representing six foreign countries, a returning PBA Hall of Famer and the oldest player ever to earn an exemption are among the 49 "exempt" players who will headline the 2011-12 PBA Tour when it gets underway during the PBA World Series of Bowling Nov. 4-20 at South Point Lanes in Las Vegas.

A focal point of the season for the elite group will be an exclusive new PBA Exempt Players Championship with a \$35,000 first prize and a \$191,000 prize fund during the World Series which also will give its winner an elite "Round of 32" berth in the season-ending PBA Tournament of Champions.

The four players who earned exemptions by winning their first PBA Tour titles during the 2010-11 season are Tom Hess of Urbandale, Iowa; Ryan Ciminelli of Cheektowaga, N.Y.; Scott Norton of Costa Mesa, Calif., and Osku Palermaa of Finland. Hess, as winner of the United States Bowling Congress Masters, earned a two-year exemption through the 2012-13 season.

The strongest international presence ever will include representatives from six countries plus the United States: Australia (Jason Belmonte), Finland (Palermaa and reigning PBA Player of the Year Mika Koivuniemi), Canada (Dan MacLelland),

Sweden (Martin Larsen), Colombia (Andres Gomez), and Venezuela (Amleto Monacelli).

PBA Hall of Famer Monacelli, a 19-time PBA Tour champion and two-time PBA Player of the Year, will return to full-time exempt player status for the first time in five years based upon his competition points performance as a non-exempt player last season.

And Kerry Painter of Henderson, Nev., at age 58, became the oldest player ever to earn a PBA Tour exemption when he finished eighth in the 2010 PBA Regional Players Invitational in Reno, Nevada.

The 2011-12 exempt player roster also includes four additional PBA Hall of Famers (47-time titlist Walter Ray Williams Jr., 35-time winner Pete Weber, 34-time champion Norm Duke and 32-time titlist Parker Bohn III), the only woman ever to win a PBA Tour title (2010 PBA Tournament of Champions winner Kelly Kulick) and, for the first time ever, three two-handed players (Palermaa, Belmonte and former Junior Team USA member Brian Valenta).

There will be nine first-time exempt players next season: Hess; Larsen and MacLelland from the 2010-11 PBA Tour competition points list; Steven Black, Johnathan Bower, Paul Gibson, Tyler Jensen and Painter from the 2010 RPI, and Valenta (2010-11 Tour Qualifying Round points leader), but the race for PBA Rookie of the Year honors will be limited to non-exempt players because all eight of the first-timers have exceeded Rookie of the Year eligibility rules (appeared in more than three Tour events in one season and/or seven total Tour events).

And the PBA Player of the Year chase will have plenty of contenders among the exempt players. Past winners of that honor are Williams (seven times), Duke (twice), Koivuniemi (twice), Bohn (twice), Monacelli (twice), Chris Barnes, Tommy Jones, Patrick Allen and Wes Malott.

The oldest player in the group is Painter (who turns 59 on Dec. 23) and the youngest is Bower, who will celebrate his 23rd birthday on Dec. 14.

While the exempt players are automatically qualified for all PBA Tour events this season, the three World Series events that will showcase the exclusive group are the Carmen Salvino Classic, the Exempt Players Championship and the Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship.

The Salvino Classic will be open to the exempt players and a minimum of 15 non-exempt players who will qualify through a Tour Qualifying Round. Qualifying rounds in the Salvino Classic will be combined with EPC qualifying games to determine the top 32. Another six-game round will reduce the EPC field to 16 finalists and those standings also will determine the players who will be paired up for the PBA Doubles Championship. PBA.com's Xtra Frame online video streaming service will air more than 25 hours of live coverage of the Exempt Players preliminary rounds.

Combining the three events, exempt players will bowl for more than \$375,000 in prize money including the \$35,000 first prize in the Exempt Players Championship, \$15,000 to the Salvino Classic winner and a \$15,000 top prize for the PBA Doubles champions. Overall, the WSOB will pay an estimated \$1 million in prize money.

The 2011-12 PBA Tour exempt players, and how they qualified, are:

Major Title Winners (8): Chris Barnes, Double Oak, Texas, 2011 PBA World Championship; Norm Duke, Clermont, Fla., 2011 U.S. Open; Tom Hess, Urbandale, Iowa; 2011 USBC Masters; Mika Koivuniemi, Hartland, Mich., 2011 PBA Tournament of Champions; Kelly Kulick, Union, N.J., 2010 PBA Tournament of Champions; Bill O'Neill, Southampton, Pa., 2010 U.S. Open; Tom Smallwood, Saginaw, Mich., 2009 PBA World Championship; Walter Ray Jr. Williams, Ocala, Fla., 2010 USBC Masters.

2010-11 PBA Tour Title Winners (5): Ryan Ciminelli, Cheektowaga, N.Y., Earl Anthony Memorial; Jason Couch, Clermont, Fla., Mark Roth Plastic Ball Championship; Eugene McCune, Munster, Ind., Brunswick Pro Bowling Cheetah Championship; Scott Norton, Costa Mesa, Calif., 2010 Chameleon Championship; Osku Palermaa, Finland, GEICO Shark Championship.

2010-11 PBA Tour Competition Points List (28): Dick Allen, Columbia, S.C.; Patrick Allen, Baltimore; Brad Angelo, Lockport, N.Y.; Jason Belmonte, Australia; Parker Bohn III, Jackson, N.J.; Dino Castillo, Carrollton, Texas; Joe Ciccone, Buffalo, N.Y.; Mike DeVaney, Murietta, Calif.; Mike Fagan, Patchogue, N.Y.; Andres Gomez, Colombia; Michael Haugen Jr., Carefree, Ariz.; Steve Jaros, Yorkville, Ill.; Tommy Jones, Columbia, S.C.; Jack Jurek, Lackawanna, N.Y.; Brian Kretzer, Dayton, Ohio; Martin Larsen, Sweden; Chris Loschetter, Avon, Ohio; Dan MacLelland, Saginaw, Mich.; Wes Malott, Pflugerville, Texas; Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela; Sean Rash, Montgomery, Ill.; Ronnie Russell, Indianapolis; Mike Scroggins, Amarillo, Texas; Ryan Shafer, Horseheads, N.Y.; Lonnie Waliczek, Wichita, Kan.; Chris Warren, Grants Pass, Ore.; Pete Weber, St. Ann, Mo.; Danny Wiseman, Baltimore.

2010 PBA Regional Players Invitational (6): Steven Black, Huntington Beach, Calif.; Johnathan Bower, Middletown, Pa.; Wayne Garber, Modesto, Calif.; Paul Gibson, Brunswick, Ohio; Tyler Jensen, Fort Worth, Texas; Kerry Painter, Henderson, Nev.

PBA Golden Parachute Exemption: Rhino Page, Dade City, Fla.

2010-11 PBA Tour Qualifying Round Points Leader: Brian Valenta, Lockport, Ill.

Pluhowsky Makes History

By Lucas Wiseman, USBC

HONG KONG - Team USA's Shannon Pluhowsky of Kettering, Ohio, became the first woman in the history of the World Tenpin Bowling Association World Women's Championships to earn four gold medals in one tournament as she claimed the Masters match play title Sunday.



Powered by a 300 game and a 299 game, Pluhowsky defeated Singapore's Daphne Tan, 3-1, in the best-of-five championship match at Hong Kong Bowling City.

Pluhowsky, who also won gold medals in doubles, trios and team event, took the opening game of the match 300-226 on the Paris lane condition before losing 238-219 in Game 2 on the Seoul lane condition.

When she returned to the Paris pattern, she started with another string of strikes -

this time getting 11 in a row before leaving a 10 pin on the final shot for a 299-234 victory. She then took the title with a 223-191 victory in Game 4.

"I didn't realize I was going to strike for days on the Paris pattern," Pluhowsky said. "I just broke that lane down the same way I had been and got really lucky that the carry was good on that lane. The coaches kept the mood light and that really helped, too."

The victory capped off a stellar week by Team USA as it brought home four gold medals and three bronze medals. The victories in the doubles, trios and team events were the first since the 1987 World Championships in Helsinki, Finland.

"It has been a really long week and a lot of games, but I'm excited about what we've been able to accomplish," Pluhowsky said. "It's been a long time since the United States has been dominating at this event, and we wanted to get that feeling back."

Two other U.S. players took part in the Masters competition, which featured the top 16 players in the all-events standings. Kelly Kulick lost in the quarterfinals to Tan, 3-1, while Liz Johnson dropped out in the first round with a 3-2 loss to Indonesia's Tannya Roumimper.

U.S. Team Gold Wins

By Lucas Wiseman, USBC

HONG KONG - For the first time in nearly a quarter century, Team USA claimed the five-player team gold medal Saturday at the 2011 World Tenpin Bowling Association World Women's Championships.



Team USA's Kelly Kulick, Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, Shannon O'Keefe, Shannon Pluhowsky and Liz Johnson came out on top in the gold-medal match by defeating Singapore, 1,210-1,140, in the one-game match broad-

cast live on BOWL.com from Hong Kong Bowling City.

Johnson led the effort by starting with nine consecutive strikes and shooting a 279 game. She was followed by Pluhowsky (256), Kulick (244), O'Keefe (226) and Dorin-Ballard (205). Stefanie Nation did not compete in the championship match, but was a part of the semifinal win for the Americans, who last won the team event in 1987 and took the silver medal in 2005, 2007 and 2009.

The Singaporeans were led by Jazreel Tan's 269 game and she was joined by Shayna Ng (240), Cherie Tan (224), New Hui Fen (214) and Daphne Tan (193).

"We have all worked so hard for this and this win is for every person who has been a part of the Team USA program over the past 24 years," Johnson said. "We have had success all week with us winning the doubles and trios but this is the one we came for and we did it."

Team USA trailed early in the championship match as Singapore got off to a hot start, but the Americans slowly chipped away at the lead. The match turned in the seventh frame when the United States began a string of 15 consecutive strikes as a team.

"All week we have struggled with our carry, so we just decided to be patient and thankfully the pin carry turned in our favor," Dorin-Ballard said. "We were able to start putting pressure on them and that changed the whole momentum of the match. It was huge."

In the semifinals, the fourth-seeded Americans took down top seed Germany, 1,080-970, while No. 2 seed Singapore defeated Colombia, 1,225-1,103. The semifinals losers shared the bronze medal.

The all-events competition also wrapped up as Denmark's Mai Ginge Jensen took the gold medal with a 24-game total of 5,744, an average of 239.33. Canada's Caroline Lagrange earned the silver with 5,687, while Pluhowsky took bronze with 5,607.

Team USA Wins Doubles

HONG KONG - Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Shannon Pluhowsky of Kettering, Ohio, gave the United States its first doubles gold medal in 24 years Tuesday at the 2011 World Tenpin Bowling Congress World Women's Championships.



Johnson and Pluhowsky defeated Singapore's New Hui Fen and Jazreel Tan, 453-392, at Hong Kong Bowling City to claim the world title. The last time the United States won the doubles gold was in 1987 in Helsinki, Finland, when Cora Fiebig and Kathy Wodka brought home the title.

In the gold-medal match, Johnson carried the U.S. duo

with a 247 game, while Pluhowsky totaled 206. Tan led Singapore with 215, while New shot 177.

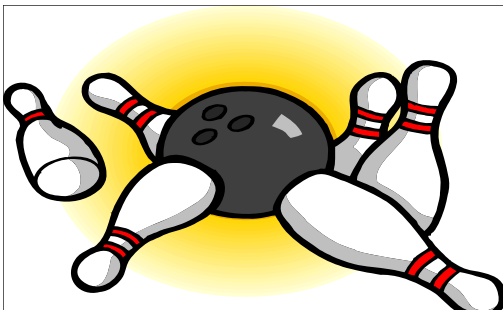
"Toward the end of the match my game was a bit shaky but Liz stayed strong," Pluhowsky said. "We helped each other out and didn't focus on who we were bowling. It's just always more fun when you are bowling and winning with your friends than by yourself."

In the semifinals, Johnson and Pluhowsky took down their teammates Carolyn Dorin-Ballard of Keller, Texas, and Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., 455-419, while Singapore defeated Denmark's Kamilla Kjeldsen and Mai Ginge Jensen, 454-391. The semifinals losers shared the bronze medal.

"It's always humbling and it makes you so proud to hear your national anthem play in a tournament like this," Johnson said. "Today it wasn't about Shannon and Liz winning the gold medal; it was about Team USA winning the gold medal. Whether its singles, doubles or any event, it's always about winning for the team."

The action now shifts to the trios event, which begins Wednesday with the first three games of qualifying on the Seoul lane condition. Team USA's Kulick, Dorin-Ballard and Johnson will join forces, while Pluhowsky will team up with Stefanie Nation of Grand Prairie, and Shannon O'Keefe of Arlington, Texas.

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Bowlers ' Buzz

2015 USBC Open

By Matt Cannizzaro, USBC

ARLINGTON, Texas - The 2015 United States Bowling Congress Open Championships is headed to El Paso, Texas, marking the first time in a decade the tournament will travel to a brand new host city.

The 2015 event will be the 112th edition of the USBC Open Championships, which has been held in 48 cities in 26 states since its inception in 1901. The last time the tournament ventured to a new city was 2005, when it was held in Baton Rouge, La., also its first visit to Louisiana.

Surveys show that many Open Championships bowlers like to see new cities, and the 2005 event featured a sellout field of 13,222 five-player teams.

"The city of El Paso really rolled out the red carpet for the bowlers and staff during the Women's Championships in 2010, and we're excited about being able to return with the Open Championships in 2015," said USBC Executive Director Stu Upson. "The event has been to many different places over the years, and it will be great to add another amazing city to the list."

After a successful 2010 USBC Women's Championships at the El Paso Convention and Performing Arts Center, the city of El Paso made a strong proposal to hold the 2015 Open Championships in the same venue. The offer was accepted with the full support of the USBC Board of Directors.

"The venue in El Paso played a huge role in the history of the Women's Championships as the event's first convention-center build," said Brian Lewis, USBC's Managing Director of Tournaments. "Along with the Intercollegiate Team Championships, Queens and other events, our previous stay in El Paso couldn't have been any smoother, and we know our return to El Paso will be another success."

Known as "The Sun City" because of more than 300 days of sunshine each year, El Paso treated the bowlers and their families to a fantastic experience during the 2010 Women's Championships, and officials are confident that Open Championships bowlers will have the same great stay in west Texas.

"Hosting the 2010 Women's Championships was a very special and rewarding opportunity for El Paso, and we look forward to showing the Open Championships competitors what The Sun City has to offer," said Bill Blaziek, general manager of the El Paso Convention and Visitors Bureau. "We learned a lot last year, and we hope to make USBC's next visit even more memorable."

USBC Open Championships Future Sites:

- 2012 - Baton Rouge, La.
- 2013 - Reno, Nev.
- 2014 - Reno, Nev.
- 2015 - El Paso, Texas
- 2016 - Reno, Nev.

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Women's Bowling Alliance

The Women's Bowling Alliance (WBA) is pleased to present a scratch women's tournament Jan. 25-29, 2012 at Sam's Town, Las Vegas, NV and ran by the Amateur Bowlers Tour (ABT). This will be in conjunction with the ABT Winter Nationals. The WBA event will boast a guaranteed 1st Place Prize of \$10,000 with Bonus Progressive (an optional \$25 entry that pays 200 to 1).

The women's scratch event will be 5 games of qualifying on Thursday thru Saturday with a last chance squad Sunday morning. 3 games of Semi-Finals will immediately follow after the last chance squad and then round robin Finals. 50+ Senior women will have an additional payout if out of the money.

More details to follow. Stay updated and join the W B A email newsletter at www.WomensBowlingAlliance.com and find us on Facebook. For more information, contact Paula Vidad, 909-717-4736.

40 Frame Tourney Fun For All Bowlers

Submitted By Dan Fox

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The 40 Frame Game has many different fun frames. Here is a list of them: Payday Frames: Strikes paid instantly, 9 Pin No Tap: Knocking down 9 on the 1st ball is a Strike, Bonus Frame: Strike and earn 10 bonus points, Sour Grapes: 2 point penalty for every pin left standing, Mulligan Frame: Don't like the 1st shot, Redo it, Super Sour Grapes: 5 point penalty for every pin left standing, Big Kahuna: Strike and earn 25 bonus points, Bingo-Bango-Bongo, and 40th frame money for each strike.

A local tournament is held at Tomball Bowling Center every other Sunday for a very reasonable fee. This local tournament is not associated with the national tournament.

Preliminaries to the National 40 Frame Tournament are held at three (3) locations every year, January through July in Toledo, Ohio, the annual USBCBA site, and the annual USBCWBA site.

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FIQ to Reorganize

HONG KONG -The Federation Internationale des Quilleurs Congress approved a major reorganization Tuesday, paving the way for the World Tenpin Bowling Association and World Ninepin Bowling Association to have complete control over every aspect of their respective sports.

The reorganization streamlines the governance of international bowling by FIQ, which is recognized by the International Olympic Committee as the sport's world governing body.

Under the reorganization, the FIQ Executive Board shrinks from 11 members to seven, five of whom will be elected by the WTBA and two by the WNBA. The president of FIQ must also now be either the president of WTBA or WNBA, and as a result, WTBA President Kevin Dornberger was elected Tuesday as the new president of FIQ for a four-year term.

"Today is a remarkable and almost unprecedented day for the sport of bowling," said Dornberger, who was re-elected to a second four-year term as president of WTBA on Monday. "This reorganization allows tenpin bowling to decide its matters, while ninepin bowling can make its own decisions instead of outsiders having influence."

The reorganization proposal, which passed nearly unanimously, was a joint effort by the WTBA and WNBA. The president of WNBA, Ludwig Kocsis of Austria, said the decision will help both organizations.

"I am pleased by the decision today because it allows our organizations to be more integrated, which will help us get more international recognition," said Kocsis, who also is now vice president of FIQ. "There are advantages for both parties by working together to make things better."

The World Tenpin Bowling Association is made up of more than 100 federations, while the World Ninepin Bowling Association is made up of nearly 30 federations. Both organizations govern their respective sports throughout the world.

For Whom The Bell Tolls



Eloise Norman, sister of Evelyn Peoples, passed on October 1 after a four-year battle with colon cancer. She previously bowled at Alvin Bowl and served as a league secretary.

Eloise was a member of the Eastern Star. She was one of the first female parts and service managers at a car dealership in the Houston Area. She worked at Ernie Guzman Hyundai. She will be missed.

If you are 50+ please have a colonoscopy.

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Bowling Bug Got  **October 2011 Calendar** **Try One of these! these events!**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 Eat Dinner W/Your Kids Day Gold Star Mother's Day <i>40-Frame Tourney-Tomball</i>	26 Johnny Appleseed Day World Heart Day	27 Ancestor Appreciation Day Google's B'day	28 Rosh Hashanah Nat'l Good Neighbor Day	29 Nat'l Coffee Day VFW Day Nat'l Women's Health & Fitness Day	30 Ask a Stupid Question Day	October 1 Super No Taps AMF Humble Reserve Your Spot By 6:00. Bowl 7:30 pm Sign up in Pro Shop, Text Names: 713-253-1582
2 Techie's Day World Farm Animal Day	3 Alternative Health Day	4 Improve Your Office Day Cinnamon Roll Day	5 World Teachers Day	6 Mad Hatter Day	7 World Smile Day Yom Kippur Lee's Nat'l Denim Day Nat'l Diversity Day <i>Regional: Young & Pratt Austin Open (7-9th)</i>	8 Universal Music Day Nat' Pierogy Day
9 Nat'l Chess Day Lief Erickson Day Clergy Appreciation Day <i>40-Frame Tourney-Tomball Lanes</i>	10 Nat'l Kick Butt Day Naval Academy Day	11 Gen. Pulaski Memorial Day Nat'l Face Your Fears Day	12 Free Thought Day Emergency Nurses Day	13 --Nat'l Bring Your Teddy Bear to Wk & School Day --Navy B'Day English Language Day	14 Be Bald & Be Free Day World Egg Day	15 No Taps AMF Humble Reserve Your Spot By 6:00. Bowl 7:30 pm Sign up in Pro Shop, Text Names: 713-253-1582 <i>Sweetest Day Nat'l Grouch Day</i>
16 Dictionary Day World Toy Camera Day	17 Boss's Day Mulligan Day	18 Nat'l Chocolate Cupcake Day World Menopause Day	19 Evaluate Your Life Day Hagfish Day	20 Info Overload Day Miss American Rose Day	21 Mammography Day Simchat Torah <i>PBA Regional Dallas Open (21-23rd)</i>	22 AMF Diamond No-Taps Text Reservations: 713.253.1582 <i>See Ad Page 7 Halloween Costume Contest</i>
23 Mother-in-law day <i>40-Frame Tourney-Tomball Lanes</i>	24 United Nations Day Lung Health Day	25 Sourest Day XTERA World Championships	26 Mule Day	27 Cranky Co-workers Day Navy Day	28 Nat'l Chocolates Day St. Jude's Day Frankenstein Friday Int'l Bandanna Day Nat'l Breadstix Day <i>PBA Regional Odessa Open (28-30th)</i>	29 Internet day Nat'l Forgiveness Day
30 Devil's Night Checklist Day Nat'l Candycorn Day Haunted Refrigerator Night	31 <i>Halloween</i> Nat'l Caramel Apple Day Nat'l Knock-Knock Jokes Nat'l UNICEF	November 1	2	3	4	5 Super No Taps AMF Humble Reserve Your Spot By 6:00. Bowl 7:30 pm Sign up in Pro Shop, Text Names: 713-253-1582

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