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by Jim Goodwin

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## Let's Talk World Series

In Sports, October means World Series, and for the third consecutive year, it's not only the Baseball Fall Classic; it is also the PBA World Series of Bowling. Actually, the Bowling World Series does not start until November 4 this year, but we've been thinking about it while watching our Texas Rangers baseball team fight their way to their second consecutive World Series appearance.

Last year, the Rangers were the unlikely American League Champions, and after an emotional victory over The NY Yankees in the ALCS, they lost to the San Francisco Giants in five games in the World Series. This year, with the determination of a bulldog, during the hottest summer in North Texas history, they made it to the biggest show in baseball again.

This time around, the suddenly terrific Rangers are more prepared. As this is being written; they are ahead of the St. Louis Cardinals 3-2; and headed for the final two games in St. Louis. By the time you read this; we are hoping that there is a victory parade planned in Arlington, Texas. Maybe the parade might pass the new International Bowling Campus, only a few blocks from the Rangers Ballpark.

As a young kid, I played Little League baseball. I was a huge Yankees fan in the days of Mantle and Maris, Berra and Ford. I read books about Babe Ruth and Joe DiMaggio; and although not a Yankee, I admired Willie Mays for his hustle and famous basket catch. To the dismay of my coaches, I even taught myself the technique.

The 50's and 60's was a good time to be a kid in Texas. We didn't pay much attention to hippies, drugs and protests. We were into drive-in movies, fast cars, and sports. Baseball was still our favorite sport; but a new

football team called the Cowboys was on the rise.

By 1972, the Cowboys had become king of Texas sports; and when the Washington Senators became the Texas Rangers that year, there was not much fanfare. I was still a Yankee fan, but I took a mild interest. It was nice having a Major League home team.

The Rangers were a fun team, but went through a series of mediocre owners and celebrity managers, and never seemed serious about winning a championship. It just became accepted that they would probably be a .500 ball club every year; nice entertainment, but not to be taken as seriously as champions like the Yankees and Cowboys.

Fast forward to recent years; a fellow named Nolan Ryan has completely changed the way Texans look at baseball. You may have heard of him . . . 7 no-hitters . . . we always thought of him as an Angel or Astro, but he chose to enter the Hall of Fame as a Ranger. The day Robin Ventura charged the mound and got a taste of Ryan's knuckles is a favorite sports memory for millions.

And now, in only a few years, Ryan has made the Rangers a 'for-real' winner. With a kid for a GM and a character for a field manager, he has laid down the law . . . that the Rangers will play only one way - to win championships.

Who would have thought that we would be talking about the Dallas Mavericks and Rangers as top teams and not the Cowboys?! But don't count the Cowboys out . . . if only they could get a new GM to go with their incredible new stadium.

Getting back to bowling, we understand why the PBA chose to call their Fall Classic event the World Series of Bowling. Over the years, there have been hundreds of connections between the two sports . . . Babe Ruth loved to bowl . . . the St Louis Cardinals

Hall of Fame shared the same building with the Bowling Hall before it moved to Texas two years ago . . . did you know Mickey Mantle once owned a bowling center in Dallas? This could go on all day.

Besides the Baseball connections, the PBA World Series of Bowling truly has reached out to the world to become a respected International event. At last tally, we saw bowling athletes from 18 countries headed to Las Vegas for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual WSOB.

And like last year when the event was moved from Detroit to Vegas for WSOB 2, there are some significant changes to WSOB 3. This year's 17 day Las Vegas experience (Last year was 14 days) will provide the best bowlers in the world a chance for eight PBA national titles, plus a couple of other events. Last year, only six titles were available.

WSOB 3 will start November 4 with a big pot game between eight 'action' bowlers who put up \$5000 each. With sponsor BowlersDeals.com adding another five grand, one of the players will walk away with \$45,000 gambling money to get them through the next couple of weeks in Vegas. I'm joking of course, but many of us know bowlers who couldn't make it two weeks in sin city with only 45 Grand in spending cash.

The eight players are Chris Barnes, Tommy Jones, Chris Warren, Brian Himmler, Bill O'Neill, Ronnie Russell, Sean Rash, and . . . drum roll . . . Joe Paluszek. Joe WHO?! I'm thinking this is a Tom Clark publicity stunt; and this guy is actually the famous Joe the Plumber. (only kidding TC) Actually, we really love this guy. He is a 31-year-old pro shop owner with two Eastern Regional titles; he has a great name for a bowler; and he will be the huge underdog going against some pretty big dogs. Don't we all love to root for the

underdog? Go, Joe, Go! Is the South Point Casino laying odds on this? If they are, put my ten spot on "Joe The Bowler."

Another interesting aspect to this kick off event is that two of the best players, O'Neill and Jones, have a backer; and it is a guy who knows a little bit about action. Dino Castillo, owner of two Dallas pro shops, put up the entry for Bill and Tommy. If we know Dino, (and we do) he's just playing the odds. He has 25% of the field with a chance to more than double his money, and he has two very good horses in the race. And nice guy that he is, he also pledged to donate some of his profit to the Barnes family's favorite charity, the Junior Diabetes Research Foundation if one of his players wins.

And the really good news is we can watch the whole thing and all other parts of the WSOB on PBA Xtra Frame. More than 100 hours of programming are scheduled. For more info, check out PBA.com.

Your friendly Stars & Strikes Publisher CJ and I had a small debate over whether or not we should publish the ESPN The Magazine photo of Kelly Kulick in the nude; and we decided not to; not because it is provocative, because it really isn't by today's standards; but because by the time it is seen in this newspaper, it will be very old news. It hit the streets and the Internet October 7; and within a few days, everybody who wanted to see it already had.

The shot did give bowling a fair amount of positive publicity, but I would trade it for Kelly winning the ESPY Award after her incredible year as a bowling athlete in 2010. Even Walter Ray Williams Jr., who did win the ESPY, said Kelly deserved it more.

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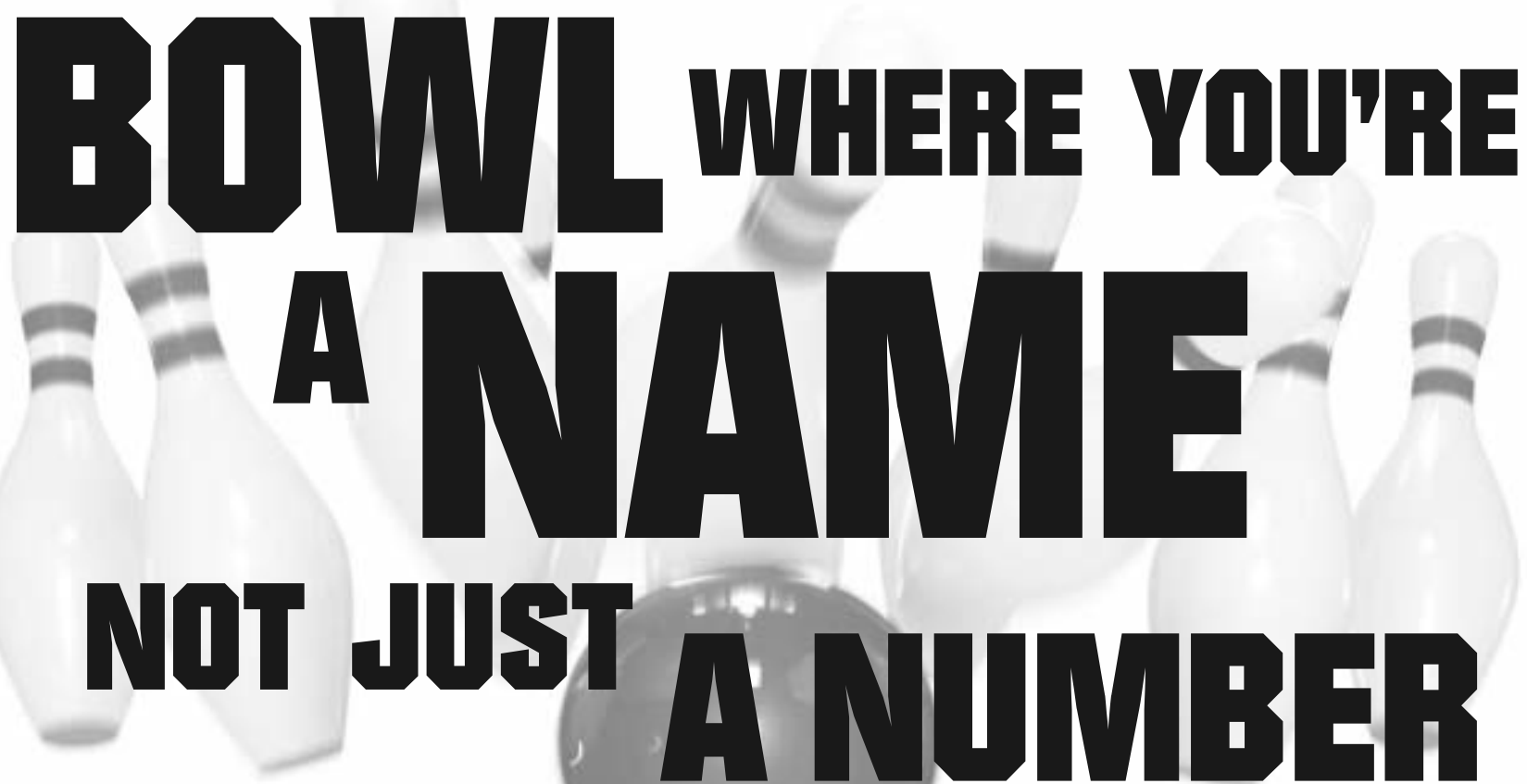
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# PEZZANO

Chuck Pezzano is the dean of bowling writers. His columns have appeared in newspapers and magazines nationally for over 50 years. He is a charter member of the Professional Bowlers Association, and is enshrined in both the PBA and USBC Halls of Fame.

## This Veterans Day, Let's Remember Red Mosley

It was a long time ago. . .

The phone rang and the voice on the other end identified himself as Red Mosley. I didn't know a Red Mosley but I certainly knew about the one who distinguished himself as an amateur and pro boxer and then as a war hero whose plane was all shot up over Korea, forcing the young Paterson NJ gunner to bailout.

His wounds and exposure to miserable weather conditions caused him numerous physical problems that reached such crisis proportions that he lost part of both legs and arms, his right hand becoming a hook. He was one of the first quadruple amputees of the Air Force in the Korean conflict.

Mosley explained that he would like to try to bowl and if I knew anyone who could and would help. Two people came quickly to mind. Elwood Casperson was a top coach and also operated a modern pro shop in Paterson. He had a practice lane in the shop and all the latest ball drilling equipment.

The other was Henry Bazaz, a top bowler in the area and a member of a team that received national high score recognition. But Bazaz was more than a bowling expert. He co-owned a custom machine shop that designed and produced parts from scratch, from fishing sinkers to boat, auto and machine parts that he made to order.

We all met at the Casperson pro shop and Casperson and Bazaz were excited to get going on this unique challenge - getting Red to bowl.

Most people with lesser artificial feet and a hook for a bowling hand, handicaps were happy to just be able to get around with the help of walking aids, but Red had no limits

to his patience and seemed to enjoy showing how many things he could do with his hook. In his long life of 80 years he was always helping and inspiring others.

It was up to Casperson to help Mosley with his bowling approach and to find what weight ball he could use, if any, and how the hook could be adapted to tossing a bowling ball.

They got the approach fairly quickly because Mosley was a fine athlete, one who could adjust quickly and properly. Casperson and Red had to work hard to find a decent weight of bowling ball because the hook was attached and operated by muscle control in the upper arm and shoulder. But 10 pounds seemed a good choice, though far from the limit of 16, it was enough to knock down the pins.

Now Bazaz had the stage. He felt he could drill a large hole in the ball, insert a metal bar in the center, anchored by strong adhesion to the left and right of the bar into the sides of the ball.

Now it was Red's turn. He had to learn to place his hook around the bar and as he got to the foul line flip the ball off the hook and down the lane. That could be difficult and there were some missed rollings but it worked and we were all able to see Red shoot 130 and 140 games and have some fun.

Red Mosley died the day before Memorial Day, but his spirit will never die, and the inspiration he gave so many in so many ways lives in every bowler who knows the Mosley story.

Casperson and Bazaz passed before Red did, and they're probably rolling in the clouds, teaching angels how to bowl.

### Idle bowling thoughts . . .

- When Kelly Kulick was given a Metropolitan Bowling Writers award the big question was whether she or anyone would mention her being included in a magazine's photo display of top athletes, male and female, in somewhat intimate poses. Kulick handled it with frankness and humor, explained how it came about, that she had major input all the way, and now that the audience had seen her in such a situation, how her audience would look in similar circumstances. Kulick has long been recognized as one of the finest bowlers in the world, and also ranks as one of the sport's premier ambassadors in every way. She is not only a star on the lanes, but a role model, in her various appearances, one that every bowler, female and male, should be proud to emulate.

- When you look at the numbers of local bowling associations across the country, men's women's and youth, you wonder why more haven't merged their groups and why more associations, hit by loss of bowling centers and membership numbers, don't make deeper studies of coupling of now independent groups. Of course there are problems, but none that can't be solved if give and take rules. The advantages are still obvious, less duplication of administrative needs, better and higher entry tournaments, halls of fame, special events, charitable endeavors and civic presence.

And there are hundreds of the most capable people in the bowling world who are available after shuffling during the many changes since the beginnings of the United States Bowling Congress. These former American Bowling Congress and Women's International Bowling Congress officials are a treasure trove of

experience and dedication that can be used to add a personal touch that is so lacking in many bowling involvements.

- I'm impressed when I see bowling events, pro ams, tournaments and other bowling themed happenings raise big bucks for all sorts of groups, up to \$300,000 in single weekends. I'd be more impressed if more of these events had bowling's needs answered. Bowling is a big time and should be treated that way, particularly by bowling itself.

- In recent reorganization conferences the World Tenpin Association, with membership of 100+ national bowling federations around the world and the world Ninepin Bowling Association, with 30 nations in membership, will be able to make more of their own decisions. Haven't heard from Canada yet - don't they have a game called Fivepins?

- The 2011-12 PBA Tour exempt player list includes three two-handed bowlers and fans will flock to see the uncanny talent with the style that is becoming more and more noticed around the globe.

There also will be nine first-time exempt players, most of them almost unknown. The best way for an unknown to speedily become a known is to star on the PBA Tour. TV still vaults names to fame, and bowling should strive to have as much and as regular TV exposure as it can get.

- If your league does not have position or bumper rounds in its schedule, when teams compete first against second, third vs. fourth and so on, give it a try. Position rounds add competitive spice.

- How come there hasn't been a comeback of high top bowling shoes?

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## Fred Schreyer Retires as PBA CEO, Commissioner; Geoff Reiss becomes new PBA CEO, Tom Clark takes over as Commissioner, Von Krueger promoted to Deputy Commissioner

Fred Schreyer, Chief Executive Officer and Commissioner of the Professional Bowlers Association, today announced his retirement after 11 years of service to the organization. The PBA Board of Directors has named Geoff Reiss Chief Executive Officer and has promoted Tom Clark to the position of Commissioner, effective November 1.

Schreyer will continue to serve the PBA as a senior advisor.

"Fred has managed the PBA through a really challenging period. We're grateful for his leadership and that he's agreed to continue working with us to grow the PBA," said Mike Slade of the PBA ownership group.

Schreyer joined the PBA full-time in October 2002 as Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel, and was named Commissioner in 2003. But he has been affiliated with the organization since 2000 as its legal counsel. The University of Michigan and UCLA Law School graduate has 25 years of experience in the sports industry, including a seven-year stint as Director of Sports Marketing at Nike and was a founder of Nike's Sports Management division.

Among Schreyer's signature accomplishments during his tenure at the PBA's helm were negotiation of umbrella sponsorship packages with Denny's and Lumber Liquidators, opening PBA membership to women for the first time (2004), creation of the 2008 PBA Billiard and Bowling Institute of America Service Award and the 2009 USBC Joyce Deitch Trailblazer Award. "It's an honor to be given this opportunity to represent their country as

Team USA members.

"Serving the PBA for the past 11 years has been a great privilege and a tremendous experience," Schreyer said. "It is always difficult to step back, but I feel good about handing the reins to Geoff and Tom. As the PBA embarks upon its 53rd year, I look forward to continuing to provide assistance wherever I am needed."

Reiss, who joined the PBA as Vice Chairman in March 2011, previously held several positions at ESPN, was CEO at Associated Content, and was Senior Vice President/General Manager of Newsweek's digital

division. While at ESPN, Reiss managed the launch of ESPN.com, NFL.com, NBA.com, and NASCAR Online. He also was Senior Vice President/General Manager of ESPN the Magazine, and managed ESPN's relationships with Electronic Arts, Microsoft, and The Tribeca Film Festival. He developed and acquired the Peabody Award-winning Dan Klores documentary Black Magic. He started his media career at Spy magazine.

"The PBA has a terrific opportunity to establish an important presence in the sports marketplace and I'm looking forward to working with our team, members and industry partners to fully realize our potential," said Reiss.

Clark became the PBA's Vice President and COO in March 2008 after serving as the Vice President of Marketing and Communications for the United States Bowling Congress. Clark, who was promoted to Deputy Commissioner in 2009, came to USBC from USA Today where he worked as a sports editor from 2000-2005. Previously he was an executive editor and sports editor for newspapers in the Media General chain and founded and published a sports magazine in his hometown Syracuse, N.Y.

The former collegiate bowler was named "Person of the Year" in the bowling industry for 2005 for his efforts in bringing publicity to the game. Clark also was the recipient of the 2008 Billiard and Bowling Institute of America Service Award and the 2009 USBC Joyce Deitch Trailblazer Award.

"It's an honor to be given this opportunity to help build an organization that has meant so much to my life," Clark said. "I love the sport of bowling and the PBA and I'm energized by that same passion for the game that our players and fans have shown for over 50 years."

The PBA also has announced that Kirk Von Krueger, Vice President and Director of PBA Tours, has been promoted to Deputy Commissioner. Von Krueger, a former PBA touring player, began his career with the PBA in 1995 as assistant Tournament Director, becoming Tournament Director in 1996.



Fred Schreyer



Geoff Reiss



Tom Clark



Kirk Von Krueger

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept 29-Nov 6	Storm National Mixed Championships, National Bowling Stadium, Reno, NV
Nov 4-20	Third Annual PBA World Series of Bowling (World Bowling Tour Finals presented by the PBA, Viper Open, Scorpion Open, Chameleon Open, Shark Open, Carmen Salvino Classic, Exempt Players Championship, Mark Roth-Marshall Holman Exempt Players Doubles Championship and PBA World Championship), South Point Bowling Center, Las Vegas
Nov 12-13	SASBA Foursome, Plano Super Bowl Plano, TX
Nov 19-20	SASBA South Central Annual Cham., Pinnacle Family Ent Ctr, Clarksville, TN
Dec 3-4	SASBA Age Bracket, Cityview Ft Worth, TX
Dec 17-18	SASBA Annual Team, Cowtown Palace Ft Worth, TX
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Jan. 2-6	USBC Team USA Trials, Texas Station, Las Vegas, NV
Jan. 7-8	SASBA Member/Guest, Crossroads Bowling Center, Beaumont, TX
Jan. 14-15	SASBA, USA Bowl, Dallas, TX
Jan. 20-22	PBA Xtra Frame Cheetah Open, Fountain Bowl, Fountain Valley, CA
Jan. 23-29	USBC Masters, Sunset Station's Strike Zone Bowling Center, Henderson, NV
Jan. 28-29	SASBA, 300 Bowl, Conroe, TX
Jan 28-Feb 5	Mini Eliminator, Sunset Station, Las Vegas, NV
Feb 4-5	SASBA, Sunny Lanes, Oklahoma City, OK
Feb 5-10	High Roller, The Orleans Bowling Center, Las Vegas, NV
Feb 5-11	True Amateur Tournament, Gold Coast, Las Vegas, NV
Feb 11-12	PBA Regional Players Doubles Championship, The Orleans Bowl, Las Vegas
Feb. 11-July 9	USBC Open Championships, Baton Rouge River Center, Baton Rouge, LA
Feb. 17-19	PBA Xtra Frame Don Johnson Memorial Open, Sequoia Lanes, Columbus, OH
Feb 18-19	SASBA, Sheridan Lanes, Tulsa, OK
Feb. 20-26	U.S. Open, Brunswick Zone Carolier, North Brunswick, NJ
Feb 25-26	SASBA SS Singles, University Lanes, Denton, TX
Mar 9-11	PBA Xtra Frame Detroit Open, Allen Park, MI
Mar 19-22	National Golden Ladies Classic, The Orleans Bowling Center, Las Vegas, NV
Mar 30-Apr 1	Xtra Frame Dick Weber PBA Playoffs, Woodland Bowl, IN
April 2-6	Senior Easter Classic, Suncoast Bowling Center, Las Vegas, NV
Apr 8-15	PBA Tournament of Champions, Red Rock Lanes, Las Vegas, NV
Apr 14-July 8	USBC Women's Championships, National Bowling Stadium, Reno, NV
Apr 18-21	USBC Intercollegiate Team Championships, Sun Valley Lanes, Lincoln, NE
Apr 20-25	USBC Queens, AMF Euleless Lanes, Euleless, Texas; finals at International Training and Research Center, Arlington, TX
Apr 25-28	USBC Convention, Arlington Sheraton Hotel, Arlington, TX
May 14-17	"Law Enforcement & Firefighters on the Lanes" Sam's Town Bowling Center, Las Vegas, NV
May 20-22	USBC Intercollegiate Singles Championships, AMF Euleless Lanes, Euleless, TX
June 22-29	International Bowl Expo, National Bowling Stadium, Reno, NV
June 22-29	Bowling U.S. Women's Open (in conjunction with Bowl Expo), National Bowling Stadium, Reno
July 9-10	USBC Senior Championships, National Bowling Stadium, Reno
July 9-14	USBC Senior Queens, National Bowling Stadium, Reno

## Las Vegas Tournaments To Offer Special Bonus Prize Fund

### The International Mini is Las Vegas' Newest Event

In just a few months, Sunset Station Hotel and Casino in Henderson, Nev., will become a hotbed for bowling, and competitors will have the chance to strike it rich with three big tournaments - the United States Bowling Congress Masters, The International Mini and the World Tenpin Bowling Association International Open.

In addition to the lucrative prizes up for grabs at each tournament, there will be a special \$30,000 prize fund available to those who compete in all three events. There is no additional fee to be eligible for a share of the jackpot, and the bowler with the highest 20-game pinfall will take home a top prize of \$10,000.

The 20-game pinfall total will include:

- 10 qualifying games from the USBC Masters
- Highest four-game qualifying series from The International Mini
- Highest six-game qualifying series from the WTBA International Open

The latter two tournaments will allow re-entries, so bowlers will have the opportunity to improve their standings for the special prize fund.

"All three tournaments have pulled together to provide the ultimate opportunity for the bowlers, and we're looking forward to celebrating an exciting couple of weeks in Las Vegas," said Brian Lewis, USBC Managing Director of Tournaments. "Not only is there a lot of money to be won, there also are three entertaining formats that are sure to appeal to many bowlers."

The Masters, which features a double-elimination match-play bracket for the top 63 qualifiers and the defending champion, will be contested from Jan. 22-29, 2012. Qualifying rounds for The International Mini and the WTBA event will be held from Jan. 28-Feb. 5, with both events leading to unique finals on the last day of competition.

The top prize at the 2012 Masters will be \$50,000, while The International Mini and International Open champions will take home \$30,000 and \$20,000, respectively. All bowlers are eligible to compete in these events, including international competitors and bowlers who are exempt on the PBA Tour.

For entry, hotel or general information about these events, visit [BOWL.com/masters](http://BOWL.com/masters).

Pinnacle Events is pleased to announce a new major bowling event "The International Mini." This scratch and handicap competition will have guaranteed top prizes of \$30,000-1st/\$15,000-2nd/

\$10,000-3rd.

The International Mini, presented by Brunswick, is a 4-game qualifier by division. One in 8 bowlers each day, per division, will advance to the finals and cash for a minimum of \$750. Bowlers can guarantee themselves larger payouts by earning byes which will offer guaranteed prizes of up to \$2,000. The finals of the International Mini will feature a 1-game elimination format by division with the winners of each division guaranteed \$10,000.

One of the biggest changes for past Mini-Eliminator bowlers will be the eligibility and divisions. The International Mini will have three divisions.

- The Gold Division will include PBA, PWBA, PBA Sr., and EBT national title holders, current and former PBA exempt players, current national team members, bowlers age 49 & under averaging 230 or higher, and anyone that has won a single scratch prize of \$10,000+ the past 5 years. (Women and Super Seniors (60+) in this division will receive 6 bonus pins per game.)

- The Silver Division will welcome all Women and Seniors averaging 210 or higher that have not won a national title, bowlers that have earned a single handicap prize of \$10,000 or more the past 5 years, and bowlers age 49 & under that have a 3-year winter league composite average of under 230. (Women and Super Seniors (60+) in the Silver Division will receive 6 bonus pins per game.)

- The Bronze Division is handicap (90% of 210) and allows amateur bowlers averaging 210 or under to compete together. If you have ever been a professional bowler, or a current member of a national team, or have won a single handicap prize of \$10,000 or more the past 5 years you may not compete in the Bronze Division.

Sunset Station is offering discounted room rates of \$55 per night plus tax midweek, while weekend rates range from \$70 to \$99 per night plus tax. Bowlers must request the International Mini room block to receive these low rates. Rates are guaranteed until December 27th and are subject to availability. To reserve your room please call 1.888.786.7389.

For more information on the International Mini, and other events running at the same time, please visit; [www.theinternationalmini.com](http://www.theinternationalmini.com) or call the tournament office at 1.877.900.MINI. The International Mini is sponsored by Sunset Station, Brunswick Bowling and Kegels and is certified by the United States Bowling Congress.

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### Definition: tur·kee \ noun

1. A large North American gallinaceous bird that is domesticated in most parts of the world
2. A stupid, foolish, or inept person that has overstayed his/her welcome
3. Three successive strikes in bowling

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## TEAM USA SWEEPS DOUBLES GOLD MEDALS AT PAN AMERICAN GAMES

GUADALAJARA, Mexico - The United States swept the doubles gold medals in the opening event of bowling at the 2011 Pan American Games.

long time, but luckily my teammate was there to pick me up and carry us to the gold."

Kulick and Johnson led the women's



Kelly Kulick, Liz Johnson, Chris Barnes, Bill O'Neill

Chris Barnes of Double Oak, Texas, and Bill O'Neill of Southampton, Pa., topped the men's field by 193 pins, while Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Kelly Kulick of Union, N.J., easily won the women's event by 328 pins at Bolerama Tapatio.

"They fought and ground it out from the first ball of the first game," Team USA head coach Rod Ross said. "Even though the margin of victory may appear large, it was a difficult victory. This is a very strong field with some very talented bowlers."

Barnes and O'Neill finished with a 12-game total of 5,211 to claim the victory. Barnes led the way with 2,698 (224.8 average), while O'Neill shot 2,513 (209.4 average). Venezuela took the silver with 5,018, while Colombia earned bronze with 4,856.

The American men got off to a hot start in the first game Tuesday, opening with a score of 515 to give them some breathing room.

"Even though as a team I don't think we had our best performance of the year, in the end we bowled well when we needed to," Barnes said. "By getting off to the solid start, it gave us a big lead. But we may have gotten just a little too relaxed and into a holding pattern and didn't bowl great down the stretch."

O'Neill was disappointed in his individual performance Tuesday after bowling games of 149 and 166 in the six-game block, but said he was fortunate Barnes was able to get lined up and throw strikes.

"It's a great feeling to win the gold medal, but part of me wishes I could have done more to help Chris out," O'Neill said. "This was one of my worst performances in a

doubles from the first game Monday and never looked back. Their lead was never less than 250 pins on Tuesday, and they finished with a 12-game total of 5,257. Mexico took the silver medal with 4,929, while Colombia earned bronze with 4,851.

Johnson led the pair with 2,633 (219.4 average), while Kulick finished with 2,624 (218.7 average).

"Just to be recognized with the Olympic sports here at the Pan American Games is a great feeling," Kulick said. "Any U.S. athlete who walks around with a gold medal around their neck is respected, and that's a really nice feeling."

Over the course of the 12 games, the Team USA women never threw a game under 190. Johnson said staying consistent and filling frames helped propel them to the victory.

"We both had a good look and continued to make great shots today," Johnson said. "We worked very well together, and it was an honor just to share this victory with Kelly."

Action now shifts to singles, which is the final event of the Pan American Games. In the singles event, 12 games of qualifying will take place Wednesday and the field will be cut to the top 16 bowlers in each division for match play Thursday. In the opening round and the quarterfinals, matches will be three games with the highest pinfall advancing. For the semifinals and finals, the action will shift to best-of-three matches.

Held every four years, the Pan American Games are the second-largest multi-sport event after the Olympic Games. This year, nearly 6,000 athletes from the American Zone are competing in 36 sports.

### 2011 PAN AMERICAN GAMES Bolerama Tapatio, Guadalajara, Mexico

#### DOUBLES - (12 games)

##### MEN

**GOLD** - Chris Barnes/Bill O'Neill, United States, 5,211

**SILVER** - Jose Lander/Amleto Monacelli, Venezuela, 5,018

**BRONZE** - Santiago Mejia/Andres Gomez, Colombia, 4,856

4, Brazil, 4,835. 5, Canada, 4,797. 6 (tie), Puerto Rico and Mexico, 4,778. 8, Dominican Republic, 4,739. 9, Ecuador, 4,674. 10, Costa Rica, 4,664. 11, Panama, 4,544. 12, Bermuda, 4,538. 13, Guatemala, 4,511. 14, Peru, 4,358. 15, Bolivia, 4,325. 16, El Salvador, 4,279.

##### WOMEN

**GOLD** - Liz Johnson/Kelly Kulick, United States, 5,257

**SILVER** - Sandra Gongora/Aseret Zetter, Mexico, 4,929

**BRONZE** - Anggie Ramirez/Maria Jose Rodriguez, Colombia, 4,851

4, Canada, 4,827. 5, Venezuela, 4,813. 6, Dominican Republic, 4,586. 7, Guatemala, 4,577. 8, Chile, 4,464. 9, Aruba, 4,446. 10, Brazil, 4,437. 11, Puerto Rico, 4,265. 12, Costa Rica, 4,253. 13, Peru, 4,180. 14, El Salvador, 4,116. 15, Bermuda, 4,003. 16, Bahamas, 3,784.

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# 2011 PBA World Series of Bowling Q & A JUNIOR GOLD CHAMPIONSHIPS FEATURES EXCITING NEW FORMAT

The third annual PBA World Series of Bowling provides a unique opportunity for PBA members to compete at the highest level. With a revamped format this season, PBA is providing answers to some commonly asked player entry questions. Check back with [pba.com](http://pba.com) for additional developments and information about WSOB on the days and weeks to come.

**Q.** What are the dates for the WSOB and where will it be conducted?

**A.** The 2011 WSOB will be conducted Nov. 4-20 at the South Point Hotel, Casino and Bowling Center in Las Vegas.

**Q.** What events will be conducted during the WSOB?

**A.** The WSOB will include: the Viper Open, Chameleon Open, Scorpion Open and Shark Open; PBA World Championship; Carmen Salvino Classic, PBA Exempt Players Championship, Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship and other special events.

It begins on Friday, Nov. 4, with practice sessions and an "All-In Showdown" special event with a \$5,000 entry fee. Saturday through Tuesday, Nov. 5-8, eight-game qualifying rounds followed by a cut to the top 16 for an additional 6 game qualifying round will be conducted in the Viper, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark Opens. The top 4 in each event will advance to the televised final elimination round. These four events are open to all players.

Total pinfall for the combined 32 qualifying games in the four "animal pattern" events will determine the top 60 competitors (based upon a capacity field of 240 entries) advancing to the PBA World Championship eight-game cashers' round on Wednesday, Nov. 9. After the cashers' round, the top 16 based on 40 games will advance to the televised PBA World Championship quarterfinal elimination rounds. The champion of each quarterfinal round will advance to the televised final elimination round.

The Carmen Salvino Classic is a "PBA Tour exempt players" event, but also will include a Tour Qualifying Round for non-exempt players. The new "All Region South Point Open" will serve as the TQR for the Salvino Classic.

There also will be a PBA Regional Members/Non-Members Doubles event on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 12-13.

The PBA Exempt Players Championships on Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 15-16, is a new two-in-one event that also includes the Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship.

The World Series will conclude with four days of television production Thursday, Nov. 17-Sunday, Nov. 20, on lanes specially built in a South Point Exhibit Hall.

**Q.** How many PBA Tour titles will be awarded during the WSOB?

**A.** Eight – Viper Open Championship, Chameleon Open Championship, Scorpion Open Championship, Shark Open Championship, PBA World Championship (a major), Carmen Salvino Classic Championship, PBA Exempt Players Championship and Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship. PBA titles will be awarded ONLY to PBA members; international players who are not PBA members will not be awarded titles, nor will they receive privileges associated with PBA membership (PBA Tournament of Champions eligibility and statistical recognition for earnings, averages, points, etc.)

**Q.** What is the format for the Viper/Chameleon/Scorpion/Shark Opens?

**A.** For these four events, all players will bowl eight qualifying games (Squads A and B will alternate starting times each day. All squads will bowl on fresh conditions. After eight games, the top 16 in each daily event will bowl an additional 6 game qualifying round, with the top 4 advancing to the televised final elimination round.

**Q.** What is the format for the PBA World Championship?

**A.** The combined pinfall for the eight-game

Viper, Chameleon, Scorpion and Shark qualifying rounds (32 total games) will be determine the standings for the first cut. The top 60 players (based upon a capacity field of 240) will advance to the eight-game Cashers' Round. After the cashers' round, the top 16 qualifiers based on 40 games will advance to the televised PBA World Championship, quarterfinal elimination rounds. The high seeded player in each elimination round will have the opportunity to pick the pattern used for their round.

**Q.** What is the format for the Carmen Salvino Classic?

**A.** The Carmen Salvino Classic will be open to all PBA Tour exempt players PLUS a minimum of 15 players who will advance from the TQR to round out a field of 64.

Qualifying scores bowled in the All Region South Point Open, a special singles event for PBA regional players, will also be used as the standings for the TQR. The All Region Open/TQR qualifying round will be bowled on Friday, Nov. 11.

A minimum of 15 players will advance from the TQR to join the exempt players for two, six-game Salvino Classic qualifying rounds on Monday, Nov. 14. After 12 games, the top 16 players will advance to an additional 6 game qualifying round, with the top four then advancing to the televised final elimination round.

Another important part of the Salvino Classic for exempt tour players is inclusion of its 12 qualifying games as part of the qualifying total for the PBA Exempt Players Championship.

**Q.** What is the format for the PBA Exempt Players Championships?

**A.** The Exempt Players Championships begins with two six-game qualifying rounds on Tuesday, Nov. 15. Those 12-game pinfall totals, combined with 12-game qualifying totals from the Salvino Classic, will determine the top 32 players who will advance to bowl an additional six-game qualifying round on Wednesday morning.

For the Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship, the 30-game totals will determine the field and seeding position; the top 16 players will pair up to form 8 doubles teams: The #1 qualifier will then choose a partner from the remaining 15 players, the next highest qualifier from the 14 remaining players, etc. The process continues to form the 8 teams that will compete in the Baker TV Stepladder Finals. Please note that the first three matches in the stepladder competition will not be televised; only the final four matches of the event.

For the Exempt Players Championship, the top 16 qualifiers will advance to the quarterfinal elimination rounds. The high seeded player in each elimination round will get their choice of pattern for the round.

**Q.** What is the television format for these events?

**A.** A total of 14 television shows will be produced for delayed airing on ESPN on specially-installed lanes in a South Point Exhibit Hall over a four-day span (Thursday, Nov. 17-Sunday, Nov. 20).

Two of the television events will be the inaugural World Tenpin Bowling Federation's World Bowling Tour Finals presented by the PBA. The WBT Finals will feature the top three men and top three women who have qualified during an international series of WTBA events. The World Bowling Tour is organized and operated by the World Tenpin Bowling Association and is open to all men and women who are eligible for WTBA competition. The PBA is a presenting partner in producing the television finals for that event.

**Q.** What is this year's WSOB and World Championship prize fund?

**A.** In all, the WSOB will award up to \$1 million in prize money. The top 32 players in each of the four animal pattern events will earn prize money with the winner of each earning \$15,000, a PBA Tour title and a berth in the Tournament of Champions. The 14 game, qualifying leader in each event will also receive a \$1,000 bonus.

The PBA World Championship will pay the top 60 (based on a capacity field of 240 entries)



Gold Championships presented by Brunswick will shift to a double-elimination match-play bracket for the top 16 bowlers in each of four divisions.

The event, which will have \$250,000 in scholarships up for grabs, is expected to draw nearly 2,000 bowlers from across the country to Indianapolis from July 14-20. In addition to scholarships, bowlers will be competing for spots on Junior Team USA.

The competition will begin with 15 games of qualifying for all participants. One out of every seven bowlers will advance to the next round, where an additional five games will be bowled. After 20 games, as many as 64 bowlers in each division will advance to five final qualifying games before the field is cut to the top 16 in each division for the double-elimination match-play bracket.

Bowlers will compete in four divisions – 20-and-under boys and girls, and 15-and-under boys and girls – and the format will be the same for each division for the entire tournament. In bracket play, matches will consist of two games with the highest pinfall advancing.

The top scholarships in each division are guaranteed. In the 20-and-under divisions, the boys' winner will be awarded a \$15,000 scholarship and the girls' winner will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. In the 15-and-under division, the boys' winner will earn a \$6,000 scholarship, while the girls' champion will earn a \$5,000 scholarship. In addition, scholarships will be awarded to all players finishing in the top 16 (minimum \$1,000) and all players advancing after 15 games of qualifying (minimum \$200). Additional scholarships will be awarded based on entries in each division

with a \$1,800 low-to-cash. First prize in the World Championship will be \$50,000. The 40 game, qualifying leader will also receive a \$5,000 bonus.

The Carmen Salvino Classic will pay 64 places with a \$15,000 first prize and \$1,000 low-to-cash. The 18 game, qualifying leader will also receive a \$1,000 bonus.

The PBA Exempt Players Championship will pay 49 places with a \$35,000 first prize and \$2,000 low-to-cash.

The Mark Roth-Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship will pay eight places with a \$15,000 first prize.

The All Region South Point Open, the PBA Regional Member/Non Member Doubles and the "All-In Showdown" prize funds will be based on entries.

**Q.** Do I have to be a PBA member to enter the WSOB?

**A.** You must be a "Full PBA Member" to enter all WSOB events except the Carmen Salvino Classic TQR, All Region South Point Open and PBA Regional Member/Non Member Doubles. "Standard Members" will be required to upgrade to full status. Members of the Japan Professional Bowlers Association (JPBA), Korean Professional Bowlers Association

With record scholarships on the line in 2012, the North Pointe Junior

with a minimum total of \$250,000 awarded.

"This format will bring a new level of excitement to the Junior Gold Championships, similar to what we see in other major events such as the USBC Masters and USBC Queens," said Chad Murphy, International Bowling Campus Director of Youth Development. "The beauty of it is that any of the 16 players who advance to the bracket will have a chance to take home the title."

Automatic Junior Team USA spots will be awarded to the top two boys and top two girls in the 20-and-under division after 25 games of qualifying. Additional automatic spots will be given to the winner and runner-up after bracket play in the 20-and-under division. If one or both of the finalists in the bracket already earned a spot through qualifying, the automatic spot becomes an at-large selection.

The National Selection Committee will select two boys and two girls from the match-play field, with all bowlers, including 15 and under, eligible for at-large selection. The final eight spots – four boys and four girls – on Junior Team USA will continue to be determined at the United States Bowling Congress Team USA Trials.

For high school bowlers competing in the event, a special scholarship fund has been created for both boys and girls. All participants who are in high school (must be enrolled in high school for the 2011-12 academic year) will be eligible. First place in each division is guaranteed a \$3,000 scholarship.

The North Pointe Junior Gold Championships and its record-breaking prize fund were made possible by the merger of the USBC Junior Gold Championships and the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America's North Pointe High School Singles Championships into one event earlier this year. The event is open to youth bowlers who qualify throughout the season at regional Junior Gold events.

(KPBA) and non-U.S. World Tenpin Bowling Association (WTBA) federations are invited by the PBA. If a prospective entrant does not fall into any of the above categories, he/she must become a PBA member at any time prior to entering the WSOB.

**Q.** How do I become a PBA member?

**A.** To obtain PBA membership information contact PBA at (206) 332-9688 or visit <http://www.pba.com/Join/>

**Q.** What is the philosophy behind this year's WSOB concept and schedule?

**A.** The WSOB was designed to be the ultimate destination event for all PBA members. Multiple titles are up for grabs, a huge overall prize fund, 12 nationally-televised shows. An affordable entry fee and accommodations all in one city for a short amount of time make it an affordable experience for entrants.

**Q.** What's the best way to follow WSOB action?

**A.** PBA.com and PBA.com's Xtra Frame video service will provide comprehensive coverage of WSOB throughout its two-week run. Xtra Frame schedule and subscription information will be posted at: <http://xtraframe.pba.com/>.

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PBA World Championship	December 11, 2011	1:00 pm
PBA World Championship	December 18, 2011	1:00 pm
PBA World Championship	January 01, 2012	1:00 pm
PBA World Championship	January 08, 2012	1:00 pm
PBA World Championship	January 15, 2012	1:00 pm
BAYER Viper Open	January 22, 2012	3:00 pm
United States Bowling Congress Masters	January 29, 2012	12:30 pm
Chris Paul PBA Celebrity Invitational	February 05, 2012	4:00 pm
WSOB Chameleon Open	February 12, 2012	3:00 pm
WSOB Scorpion Open	February 19, 2012	3:00 pm
69TH U.S. OPEN	February 26, 2012	3:00 pm
GEICO Shark Open	March 04, 2012	3:00 pm
Mark Roth- Marshall Holman PBA Doubles Championship	March 25, 2012	2:30 pm
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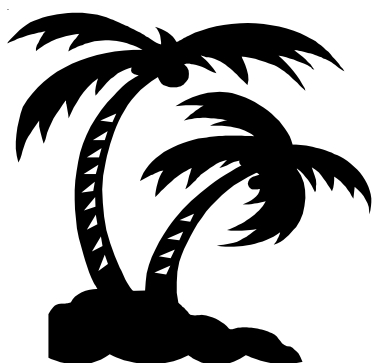
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If actions speak louder than words, why is the pen mightier than the sword?

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"You can't judge a book by its cover", but "what you see is what you get."

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## BLONDE ON THE SUN

A Russian, an American, and a Blonde were talking one day.

The Russian said, 'We were the first in space!'

The American said, 'We were the first on the moon!'

The Blonde said, 'So what? We're going to be the first on the sun!'

The Russian and the American looked at each other and shook their heads.

'You can't land on the sun, you idiot! You'll burn up!' said the Russian.

To which the Blonde replied, 'We're not stupid, you know. We're going at night!'

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A Kindergarten teacher was observing her classroom of children while they were drawing. She would occasionally walk around to see each child's work.

As she got to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was.

The girl replied, 'I'm drawing God.'

The teacher paused and said, 'But no one knows what God looks like.'

Without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, 'They will in a minute.'

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A woman was arrested for shoplifting.

When she went before the judge he asked her, "What did you steal?"

She replied: "A can of peaches."

The judge asked her why she had stolen them and she replied that she was hungry.

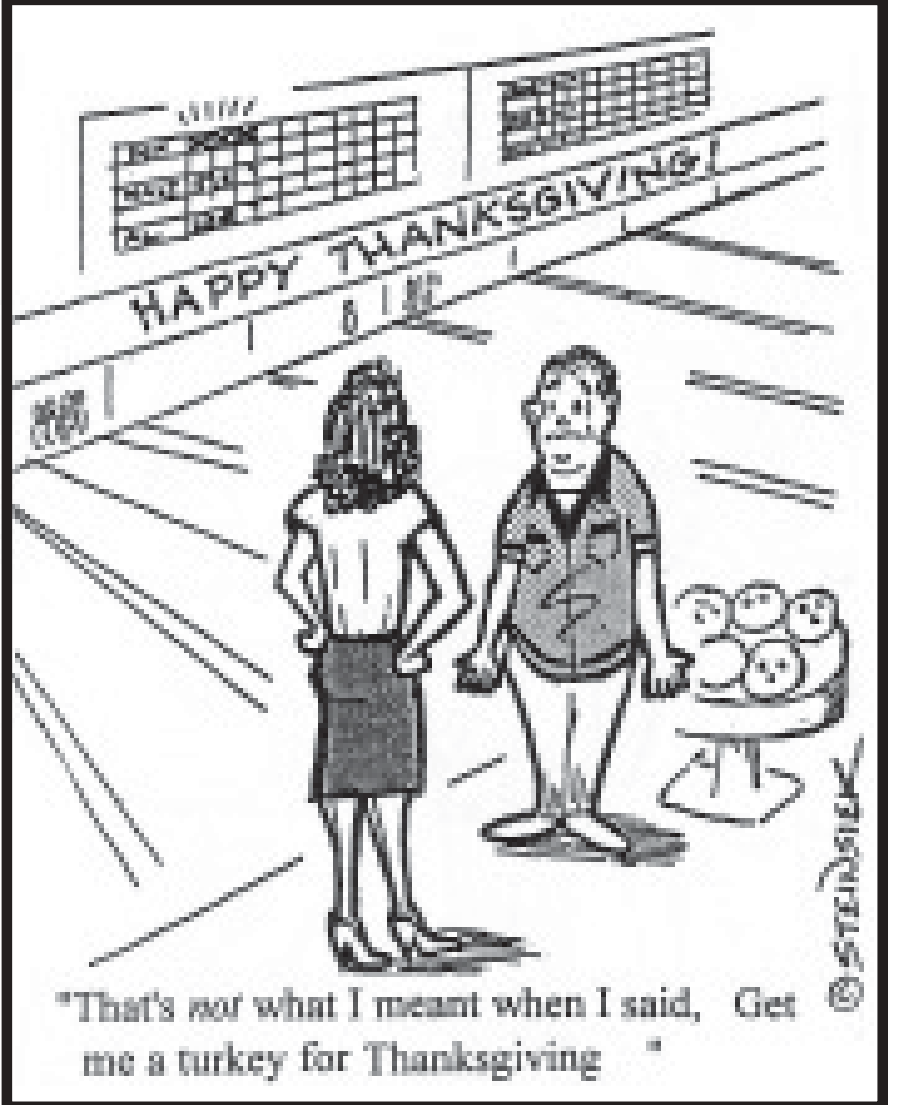
The judge then asked her how many peaches were in the can. She replied 5.

The judge then said, "I will give you 5 days in jail."

Before the judge could actually pronounce the punishment, the woman's husband spoke up and asked the judge if he could say something. The judge said, "What is is?"

The husband said, "She also stole a can of peas."

## Walt's World by Walt Steinsiek



A Brussels Airlines flight to Vienna was aborted because the pilot was attacked in the cockpit. The attacker was a passenger's cat, who got out of its travel bag.



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A girl was visiting her blonde friend, who had acquired two new dogs, and asked her what their names were. The blonde responded by saying that one was named Rolex and one was named Timex. Her friend said, 'Whoever heard of someone naming dogs like that?' 'HELLLOOOOOOO.....,' answered the blonde. 'They're watch dogs!'

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"Guilty or not guilty of begging?" asked the magistrate.

"Nearly guilty," said the beggar.

"What do you mean, 'nearly' guilty?" asked the puzzled magistrate.

"Well, your honor, I asked the lady for twenty-five cents, but I didn't get it."

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A teacher was giving a lesson on the circulation of the blood. Trying to make the matter clearer, she said, 'Now, class, if I stood on my head, the blood, as you know, would run into it, and I would turn red in the face.'

'Yes,' the class said.

'Then why is it that while I am standing upright in the ordinary position the blood doesn't run into my feet?'

A little fellow shouted, 'Cause your feet ain't empty.'

## BOWL-A-RAMA

by Maurice 'MOE' LaRochelle



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annual national event to the industry – Bowling's Hall of Fame Xtravaganza. After a season from October – March when thousands of league and casual bowlers will roll in qualifying rounds in America's bowling centers, 500 finalists will each win a four day three night trip to the incredible Red Rock Resort and Red Rock Lanes bowling center in Las Vegas, where they will compete for an additional \$25,000 in cash and prizes May 31- June 3, 2012.

Partnering in the event with the IBMHF are the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America, the United States Bowling Congress, Strike Ten Entertainment, Station Casinos Lanes of Las Vegas, and industry sponsors Jack Link's Beef Jerky and Musselman's Applesauce.

"We sincerely thank Jack Link's Beef Jerky and Musselman's Applesauce in helping present this inaugural event," said Frank DeSocio of Strike Ten Entertainment. "Through their generous sponsorship and support of this great industry, bowlers of all ages and skill levels will be able to have fun competing in the game they love while vying for big prizes," adding, "And the big winner will be the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame."

One of the primary goals of the new event was to give all bowlers, regardless of their skill level, a chance to compete in a prestigious event with significant prizes, at an entry fee anyone can afford. The entry fee for a league or casual bowler to compete in an Xtravaganza qualifier during league or casual play is only \$2. From that beginning, standings will be kept in each participating center; and house finals in the Spring will determine who will represent each center in the Las Vegas Finals.

The event will become a major fund raiser

for the IBMHF in Arlington, Texas, with a portion of each finalist entry fee (paid by the bowling center) going to the Hall of Fame. The new event will also give bowling centers a great opportunity to boost business by holding qualifying events and Xtravaganza Leagues where bowlers can try to qualify every week. Former museum president and Xtravaganza committee chairman Pat Ciniello is excited about the long term plan for the new event, and what it can do for everyone involved.

"We think we have a real winner here," said Ciniello. "The Hall of Fame Xtravaganza will be a fun and exciting event for all types of bowlers, it will raise money for the museum, it will give bowling centers a new source of business, and it will be a fantastic vacation for all of us at one of the best resorts in the world when we all gather for the finals next summer at Red Rock."

The unique, non-traditional format of the event is designed to be fun and fair for all types of bowlers. It will give bowlers of all skill levels a fair chance to make the national finals. The details of the four-game format will be announced soon. Bowlers will qualify on the house level in Singles; and the National Finals will be Doubles, with a goal of 250 teams in Las Vegas. House Singles winners will pick their doubles partner from fellow house qualifiers.

Plans are also underway to bring Hall of Fame professional bowlers to the Xtravaganza finals to meet the finalists, put on exhibitions, give tips to the finalists, and serve as ambassadors for the Hall of Fame. Details of the plan for the Hall of Famers participation will be announced soon.

Bowling centers wishing to become official Xtravaganza Centers can contact BPAA for information. More details of the event, and updates on progress can be found on three websites: [www.bpaa.com](http://www.bpaa.com); [www.bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com), and [www.bowlingmuseum.com](http://www.bowlingmuseum.com).

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## BOWLING TOUGH TIPS

### Installment #10 - Relax Anywhere, Anytime!

Believe it or not, relaxation is not "normal." Regardless of what people may think, they are almost never completely relaxed. To perform at your best during competition, you need the useful balance between relaxation and tension that you are accustomed to during your maximum-performance practice sessions. Most bowlers perform much better in practice because the stress of competition upsets the balance between relaxation and tension in favor of increased tension.

A quiet, low-stress atmosphere for practice allows your muscles to make fine, consistent movements — and to learn them. Just think of those times when you tried to practice while the jukebox was playing loudly or when you were laughing and talking with friends! These types of disruptions create non-productive and often tense practice conditions. Practice under such conditions disturbs your concentration and does not allow your physical movements to be as refined — efficient or accurate — as when bowling relaxed.

It is best to learn how to relax during competition. If it is possible to perfect your delivery under relaxed practice conditions, it only makes sense to mentally create the same conditions when you are in competition. You can learn how to make yourself relax during competition. As you develop this ability, you will discover that your relaxation-tension balance point is very close to what you experience during normal, noncompetitive practice situations.

If the body's muscles are tense, then the mind is stressed. If the mind is stressed, then the muscles are tense. If the body is relaxed, the mind is relaxed and clear. If the mind is relaxed, the body is relaxed. Bowling Tough outlines effective relaxation methods. As you become more aware of bodily tension, you will discover that you have one particular muscle group that serves as a trigger for your entire body. If it is tense, the rest of the body follows suit. However, when you can recognize the tension in that muscle group and relax it, the rest of the body will follow in a balanced manner.

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## TWO WOMEN'S EVENTS ADDED TO 2012 WORLD BOWLING TOUR

For the first time, two women's only events have been added to the schedule for the World Tenpin Bowling Association World Bowling Tour.

Bowling's U.S. Women's Open and the United States Bowling Congress Queens are two of the biggest women's only events in the world and the additions bring the World Bowling Tour schedule to 14 events for 2012.

"These are two major events for women bowlers, so it's only natural that they would want to be a part of the World Bowling Tour," WTBA President Kevin Dornberger said. "The growth of the World Bowling Tour has simply been incredible, and this is very positive for the sport on an international level."

The USBC Queens is scheduled for April 19-24 in Euleless, Texas, at AMF Euleless Lanes, which was the site of the 2011 U.S. Women's Open. The Queens is expected to feature a prize fund of nearly \$125,000.

"We are proud to add the USBC Queens - one of the most prestigious women's events in the world - to the 2012 World Bowling Tour," USBC Executive Director Stu Upson said. "International participants have a history of doing well in this event, and we look forward to even more international participation

moving forward."

The U.S. Women's Open will take place in Reno, Nev., at the National Bowling Stadium from June 21-27. The finals will take place on specially constructed lanes beneath the famous Reno Arch in downtown Reno.

"As one of the premier female bowling events in the world it was only natural that Bowling's U.S. Women's Open be listed on the schedule," Bowling Proprietors' Association of America Executive Director Steve Johnson said. "We are truly pleased to be included as last year we had 17 countries represented and expect even more this year."

The 2011 World Bowling Tour wraps up this week with the AMF Australian Masters, which ends Oct. 22. Upon completion of that event, the top three men and three women in the World Bowling Tour rankings will be announced. Those players will take part in the World Bowling Tour Finals presented by the Professional Bowlers Association on Nov. 17 in Las Vegas.

The World Tenpin Bowling Association, which is made up of 115 bowling federations, governs the sport throughout the world. For more information on WTBA and the World Bowling Tour, visit [WorldTenpinBowling.com](http://WorldTenpinBowling.com).

## Squads Filling Fast in 2012 Military Bowling Championships

This is a reminder to those who plan to submit a team that there are several squads filled already and others are getting close. Although that is great news, you need to notify us if you have a team not entered yet at 1-800-257-6179 or [info@high-roller.com](mailto:info@high-roller.com)

If you are looking to get on a team, this is a great time to let us know as several teams need a player in all 3 divisions: Active Duty, Retired and Senior Retired (age 60 & over). Contact us now and we will get you on a team.

If you are a team captain needing a bowler, call us or visit [www.militarybowlingchampionships.com](http://www.militarybowlingchampionships.com) to see a list of players looking for a team.

If you are eligible but have never bowled the event, you might know it under different names such as Worldwide Military or Armed Forces Military Bowling but it is the same event that Nellis AFB, Showboat & Castaways hosted for years.

The brochure is online, available to view and print. Visit our website [www.high-roller.com](http://www.high-roller.com) or [www.militarybowlingchampionships.com](http://www.militarybowlingchampionships.com).

The dates are January 15 - 19 with the Breakfast Awards Party on Friday, January 20.

There are fabulous Early Bird room rates that our hosts Gold Coast & Orleans Hotels have offered! Call them toll free at 1-888-402-6278.

We are also pleased to announce that for the 3rd year, we will be working with the Bowler To Veterans Link (BVL). \$1 per contestant will be donated to that organization and High Roller, management team of the MBC, will match those funds to double the donation. As MBC Tournament Committee member Ron Mercer stated, "It's a great idea that we give a little back to those who probably aren't able to do what we do!" Visit them at <http://www.bowlforveterans.org/>.

The event, sponsored in part by Storm Bowling Products, features 6-player Team, Doubles and Singles. There are optional Sweepers and a Mixed Doubles event as well - something for everyone including guests of the contestants. Entry fee is \$160 per person which includes Team, Doubles, Singles & All-Events.

Welcome back to sponsors Turbo 2-N-1, K&K Bowling Services, 3G Shoes, EFXBowling, Bowlers Journal and Enterprise Auto Rental.

### 2012 WTBA WORLD BOWLING TOUR SCHEDULE

Jan. 6-15 - Brunswick Ballmaster Open, Helsinki, Finland  
Jan. 22-29 - United States Bowling Congress Masters, Henderson, Nev.  
Jan. 28-Feb. 5 - WTBA International Open, Henderson, Nev.  
Feb. 7-11 - International Bowling Championship 2012 supported by DHC, Hakata, Japan  
Feb. 20-26 - U.S. Open, North Brunswick, N.J.  
Feb. 27-March 4 - Bahamas International Bowling Classic 2012, Nassau, Bahamas  
March 15-19 - Kuwait Open, Kuwait City, Kuwait  
March 16-25 - Brunswick Euro Challenge, St. Maximin, France  
April 19-24 - USBC Queens, Euleless, Texas  
June 16-21 - Daejeon International Bowling Tournament, Daejeon, Korea  
June 22-28 - Bowling's U.S. Women's Open, Reno, Nev.  
Sept. 24-30 - World Bowling Tour Thailand, Bangkok, Thailand  
Oct. 2-7 - Columbia 300 Vienna Open, Vienna, Austria  
October - AMF Australian Masters, TBD

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