

John Russo 1981 outstanding performance



The smooth stroking Russo holds the distinction having bowled three 300 games in the same season in three different establishments. He has had over a 200 average with his best being a 217. An inspirational leadoff man, John has led Raphael's Restaurant and Twin Trees Restaurant to championships in both the City League and the Post-Standard

League. He helped his Twin Trees team to roll an association record game of 1298 in the Post-Standard League and to the City Leagues record game of 1220. Russo was a member of three association team champions won the singles in 1969, and the doubles with Tom Minnegan in 1976. With Twin Trees, he was on two New York State team champions, in 1977 and 1980.

Julian P. Stanczyk Sr.



1981 meritorious service

"Julie" as he is called by his many friends, served as president of the Syracuse Bowling Association in the 1976-77 season. He has competed in more than forty A.B.C. tournaments, and representing this city as a delegate to many A.B.C.

conventions. For over twenty-five years he has been a bowler and a

delegate to the New York State Tournament. In addition to bowling in the city tournament, he has worked on many phases of this event. He worked on procedures for bringing the A.B.C. tournament to Syracuse in 1973 and always has been a strong supporter of Junior bowling activities.

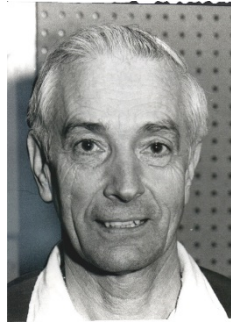
Ed Ososki 1981 outstanding performance



Edward Ososki was one of the top bowlers in the Syracuse bowling area for over thirty years. He was a member of the Polish Home team, which dominated its' division in the City League in the 1920's and 30's. In 1954, he won the New York State singles with a

score of 739 and also placed second in 1944. During his team's A.B.C., he was part of a unique history in the tournament as all five team members rolled a 192 in the same game.

Don Collins 1982 outstanding performance



The 1982 American Bowling Congress record book lists Don Collins for his tremendous performance in the 1979 Van Wie Doubles when he had a thirty-two game total of 7,850 for an amazing average of 245 for the tournament. Don operated an eight lane bowling establishment in Chittenango for

several years before transferring to work for Joe Magnarelli at Astro Lanes in East Syracuse. He won the Herald Masters in 1962 and again in 1981, and also won the local Match Game title four times. Collins has won Syracuse City Association tournament titles, the Empire State Singles, the Bowl Inn tournament in Buffalo and was on the sixth place team in the A.B.C. tournament in St. Louis.

Thomas Costello 1982 meritorious service



Tom was secretary of the Commercial League, which was the largest league in Syracuse for many years, for almost fifty years. He served as president of other such leagues as the Knights of Columbus League, the Holy Name League, the Syracuse Businessmen's League, and the

New Process Gear League. Being a member of the Syracuse Bowling Association Board of Directors for over thirty years, Tom served as its' president in the 1957-58 season. Tom bowled in over thirty-two A.B.C. tournaments.

James Latessa 1982 outstanding performance



Jim was a member of the "Romans" team which dominated local bowling for some years around the 1920's. He was high average bowler in the City League and won several city championships with other members of the S.B.A. Hall of Fame, John O. Martino, Frank Cattalane, Louis Errico, and Jim Furcinito. He also won championships while bowling with

other teams which included, North Side Tire, Randall Clothes, Byrne Seiberling, and Revoir Motors.

Paul Jacuk 1983 outstanding performance



Paul was an outstanding bowler in a career from 1939 to 1971. He has numerous bowling accomplishments which include winning the Herald Masters in 1964, the Van Wie Doubles with Ed Hanus in 1957 and four association team titles along with an all-events title and two doubles

titles. Probably the best bowling team that he ever bowled with included four S.B.A. Hall of Fame members in the 1953-54 season. They were Vito Caloia, Andrew Piraino I, Greg Griffio, and Stan Deptula and that year they won 34 games in a row and only lost fifteen games all year in the City League.

Nicholas Pirro 1983 meritorious service



Nicholas Pirro was an important member of the group that worked hard and long to bring the A.B.C. tournament to Syracuse in 1935. Associated with his father in Pirro & Sons Funeral Home after graduating from Christian Brothers Academy in 1922, Nicolas was very active in local politics as well as bowling. Pirro

served as President of the Syracuse Bowling association in the 1932-35 season.

Len Sellin Sr. 1983 meritorious service



Len began bowling in the Syracuse Lighting League in the 1922-23 season and has been bowling in the league for over sixty-one years. During those years, his team won four league championships. The retired Niagara Mohawk Supervisor also bowled in and won

championships in the Holy Name League, the Industrial League, and the North Side Businessmen's League. Len bowled in several City, State, and National events and served several years as a delegate for bids to bring A.B.C. tournaments to Syracuse.

Nicholas Raphael 1984 outstanding performance



Nick was one of the outstanding bowlers in the Syracuse area during the 1960's, 70's and 80's. As a Classic League bowler, his position had most often been in the anchor spot where a good "clutch bowler" is demanded and he has helped several of his teams to win championships in the City League, the Post-Standard League and the Syracuse Major Classic League most notably the Van Wie

Chevrolet and the Hotel Syracuse teams. Nick set an all-time Greater Syracuse League record when he shot an 845 series at the Pastime Club. In tournament play, some proud moments include winning the New York State Doubles with Sam Piraino in 1970 and the team championship with A & W Restaurant in 1984. In 1974, he came from the losers bracket to defeat his teammate, Art Cornelius, with two 700 scores to win the Herald Masters. He also finished as the runner-up in 1968.

Max Riepel 1984 meritorious service



Max had virtually a lifelong devotion to the game of bowling and may have drilled more bowling balls (at least to more individuals since his work was in the day when everyone owned only one bowling ball), than anyone in Central New York. He was busy every Friday and

Saturday at Alexander Grants where he worked for forty-two years, retiring in the early 1950's as their purchasing agent then establishing his own Ebonite Pro Shop on North Salina Street and spending time on the road selling bowling accessories. Reipel served as President of the Syracuse Bowling Association in the 1955-56 season and originated the annual Champion of Champions tournament now named in his honor.

John Smorol 1984 meritorious service



His enthusiasm, organizational ability, attention to statistics, and plain old hard work for over forty years earned him a place in the Syracuse Bowling Association Hall of Fame. He helped to start the Sackett Tract "B" League, which was one of the strongest and well represented leagues in the city.

Under Guy Tobey, John served as assistant S.B.A. secretary and helped to organize the League Officer's tournament and directed for ten years the first Bowlers Victory Legion Committee. Through his efforts with the Carrier Corporation an entry of seventy-two teams were entered into the 1973 A.B.C. tournament. John has been on the Board of Directors of the Syracuse Bowling Association since 1956 and served as the President during the 1976-77 season.

Anthony "Ace" Ferretti



1985 outstanding performance

"Ace" is one of the few wrong foot bowlers to achieve high average laurels in Syracuse bowling circles with his best being 197 at Solvay Recreation in 1938. His most treasured feat on a national scale was when he led the Solvay Bank team with a 677 and a second-place finish in the A.B.C. tournament in

Cleveland, Ohio in 1938. Ferretti was a finalist in the 1939 Journal-American singles elimination tournament and ended up finishing in fifth place. He was well known for his competitive spirit and participating in countless challenge matches. The best publicized of these matches was a forty-game match with fellow Hall of Fame member Len Capucilli in 1942. "Axe" was one of the first bowling "stars" on television when a team match between his Markson Furniture team and Spence Dry Cleaners was televised from Bowl Mor Lanes on North Salina Street in 1946.

Benjamin Berinstein



1985 meritorious service

Ben was the proprietor of the Syracuse Bowling Center back in 1941, when it became the fifth bowling center in the U.S. to be equipped with automatic pinsetters. He also did a lot of work for bowling behind the scenes serving as president of both the New York State and

National Bowling Proprietors Associations. He was the originator of the New York State Junior bowling championships in 1960. In 1960, he also chaired the committee that obtained passage of a bill allowing children under the age of sixteen to bowl in New York State.

Luigi Liberatore 1985 meritorious service



Luigi was responsible for the organization of at least three leagues in Syracuse, the Mid-City, the Auto, and the Imperial Classic League. He was elected to the Syracuse Bowling Association Board of Directors in 1963 and has served for over forty years and was president during the 1975-76

season. During his tenure on the Board, he also served as vice-president of the Syracuse Junior Bowling Association. Wherever the affairs of the A.B.C. or the Syracuse Bowling Association are conducted, Luigi can usually be found there. Twelve times, he has been a delegate to the American Bowling Congress national convention and fifteen times a delegate to the New York State convention.

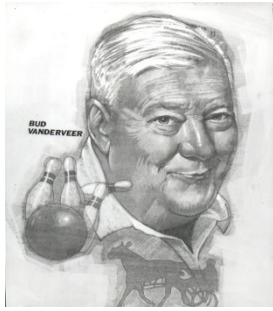
Ken Watson 1986 outstanding performance



Ken got into classic league play in Syracuse in 1961, when he bowled with the very strong Trailer Diner team in the Post-Standard League. Ken was on many championship teams in the City League, the Post-Standard League and the Syracuse Major Classic League with Van Wie

Chevrolet and Hotel Syracuse teams. Ken is one of the few local bowlers to virtually win every local match play title including the Herald Masters in 1963, the Van Wie Doubles twice with Don Gates, the local Match Games twice, and the now extinct New York State Match Games.

“Bud Vanderveer 1986 meritorious service



“Bud” was a bowling and horse racing writer for the Herald Journal for many years. Even after he retired in 1985, he continued to write a weekly bowling and racing column in the paper. He could be found at most prestigious bowling events for men and women to gain first hand

knowledge as to how the tournament was going and to interview the champions. In 1964, “Bud” took over as tournament director of the Herald Masters tournament and helped it grow from an entry total of about four hundred to over a total of eleven hundred entries. From the continued coverage by “Bud” of bowling in our community, it has continued to grow.

Tony Caloia 1986 outstanding performance



Tony died while practicing for the new bowling season in 1970 at the age of forty-nine. In the 1967 A.B.C. tournament in Miami, Florida, his 1903 all-events total was in second place for a long while before finishing

near the top. He was “King of the Hill” on the “Syracuse Bowls” television show, and also appeared on the statewide “Utica Club” bowling show. One of his proudest accomplishments was winning the Van Wie Doubles with his brother “Flash” two years in a row in 1967 and 1968. His Raphael’s Restaurant team finished in ninth place in the A.B.C. tournament in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Art Cornelius 1987 outstanding performance



Art has averaged 200 or better thirty of his forty years in bowling. His lifetime average is 206 and his high average is 222. In 1970, he finished in fourth place in the A.B.C. singles with a 716. He has been on fourteen championship teams in the City League, the Post-Standard League or the Syracuse Major Classic League.

Art was the Herald Masters champion in 1967 and the runner-up in 1974.

Don Brown 1987 meritorious service



Don had been an active participant and organizer in the Syracuse Bowling Association for more than forty years. He served as president of three different leagues, and had served as secretary of the “Holy Name A” league for thirty years, ten years, he served as a certified instructor for youth bowling an on the

bowling committee for the Pastimes A.C.. Don had organized full squads of bowlers for both 1958 and 1973 A.B.C. tournaments in Syracuse. While serving on the Board of Directors of the Syracuse Bowling Association, he had served on virtually every committee and during his tenure he also served as a delegate to A.B.C. and New York State conventions. In 1973-74 season, he served as President of the S.B.A.

Max Davis 1987 meritorious service



“Max” bowled for more than forty years and was credited with the formation of both men’s and mixed leagues. He was a league secretary for more than thirty years. As president of the sixty team American Legion League in 1949, he was responsible for the formation of

the New York State Legion tournament which was started in Syracuse in 1950. “Max” served as bowling chairman for the Onondaga County American Legion. In the 1962-63 season, he served as President of the Syracuse Bowling Association. During his many years of service, he actively lent his bowling skills in conducting tournament events to both local and state association tournaments.

John Scaia II**1988 outstanding performance**

John has been a member of the powerful Raphael's Restaurant team of the 1960's and 70's and also a member of the Barbagallo's team which set an association record team score of 3619. His bowling credentials include two association team titles, City League and Post-

Standard Classic League team titles, two 800+ series, six 300 games and several high finishes in the Herald Masters tournament. John's knowledge of finance led to his recruitment to the Board of Directors of the Syracuse Bowling Association in 1972. He has served on the Board of Directors for over forty years and was the Association President in the 1987-88 season.

Claude "Red" Parton 1988 meritorious service

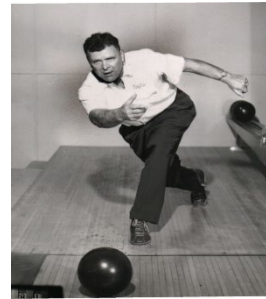
"Red" is known to many thousands of people who have listened to him on radio or watched him on television during his many years of service to the Central New York sports realm. It was in 1950 while working for W.S.Y.R. television that Red came

through with the Syracuse bowling presentation on T.V., a show that featured Leonard Capucilli doing split conversions. In 1952, Red paired with George "Whitey" Brenneman to oppose the late Win Scheduling and Ed Reddy at Columbus Park Lanes in the initial Pro-Am match. He paired with Joel Mareiniss to host the "Syracuse Bowls" show for four years. Claude was a member of the Syracuse Bowling Association Board of Directors and became the President of the S.B.A. during the 1981-82 season.

Frances "Jim" Reinschmidt**1989 outstanding performance**

He carried a 200+ average for most of his career. He served many leagues as an officer and considered a quality instructor of the game. Although never reaching perfection, Jim had high triples of 777,774,772 which were all bowled during the 1940's. He had top

finishes in the A.B.C., State and City tournaments. He was the manager of Amos Lanes, Erie Lanes and the Ukranian National Home.

Ed Hanus 1989 outstanding performance

Ed bowled in many classic leagues including the City League, the Post-Standard League and the Greater Syracuse League. He bowled in 23 A.B.C. tournaments and in 1938 helped his team to finish in 25th place. In 1957, he teamed with Paul Jacuk to win the Van Wie Doubles. They broke the

six year domination of Marty and Andy Piraino II.

Frank Scott 1989 outstanding performance

Frank began bowling at age 18 while working as a pinboy at Long Branch Park Lanes and Keller's Lanes in East Syracuse. Frank belonged to many championship teams while bowling with Win Scheduling's American Bowling and Billiard team and the Sawmiller's Fuel

team in the City and Post-Standard classic leagues. Perhaps best known for his performance on the statewide Utica Club bowling show, Frank reigned for six consecutive weeks amassing \$4,000 in prize money. As an associate of Max Reipel, Frank drilled bowling balls at the Ebonite Pro Shop for many years.

E. Clifton Moore 1990 meritorious service

Cliff worked as a newspaperman back in 1922 with the Telegram-American and was with them until 1925 when they merged with the Journal-American. Moore was assigned to the bowling beat and when the 1935 A.B.C. tournament was held in Syracuse, he reported every score that was rolled in the

tournament. League box scores were a regular feature in the Journal-American until it was picked up by the Post-Standard in the late 1920's. He was also instrumental with the women bowlers and his original New York State Women's tournament was the forerunner of the New York State Women's Bowling Association annual tournament.

Joe Borello 1990 outstanding performance



Joe started gaining prominence in the 1964-65 bowling season when he had the high average in the Greater Syracuse Traveling League of 206. Two years in a row he carried the high average in the City League of 212 and 214 respectively. He has been on championship teams in the City League with Van Wie Chevrolet,

Raphael's Restaurant, and twice with Twin Trees Restaurant. In 1965, he averaged 229 while winning the Van Wie Doubles tournament with Lou Scrimale. In 1965, he won the city all-events title with a score of 1841. Probably one of his most memorable accomplishments was in 1980 when he shot a 289 game at the famed Peterson Classic in Chicago and won \$25,000.

William Berinstein 1990 meritorious service



The Berinstein family were outstanding promoters of the game of bowling. Bill worked for his father, Hall of Famer Benjamin, as manager of the Syracuse Bowling Center until Ben passed away in 1965. At the

time he became proprietor of the Syrause Bowling Center, the Sunset Bowling Center in Utica (until 1981), the State Bowling Center in Binghamton and in 1981 the Lakeview Bowling Center in Liverpool. He was one of the originators of the Central New York Gold Pin Fun Centers. This group helped to bring Bowling for Dollars, Championship Bowling and the TV- Challenge bowling show for juniors to TV-3 in 1978. He along with Mary Jane Egloff helped to start the very popular Women's Masters tournament and the Women's Alibi tournament. Many times he donated the use of his lanes for the Seniors tournament, the Cystic Fibrosis Bowl for Breath tournament, Christmas fund raisers for the Boy Scouts and organized bowling for the blind, mentally challenged and school children. William was also very instrumental in bringing professional bowling to Syracuse.

Ken Bailey 1991 outstanding performance



In 1939, Ken bowled a 710 series at the age of fifteen which was recognized by "Ripley's Believe It or Not". Ken bowled on many championship teams in the City League as well as the Post-Standard Classic League. In 1975, during the Post-Standard title match, Ken bowled a 300 game against an

opposing 300 game by Tom Minnegan. At that time, two 300 on the same pair had only happened three times in A.B.C. history. In 1953, he paired with Andy Piraino II to finish second in the New York State Doubles event. In the city association tournament, won the city doubles with his brother Fay in 1962 and the team event with Syracuse Bowlers Pro Shop in 1974. In 1968, he was runner-up in the Herald Masters tournament.

Louis Scrimale 1991 outstanding performance



Under the guidance of Hall of Fame members Leonard and Danny Capucilli, Lou got started at an early age in bowling. He sparked his Solvay High School team to four straight county championships as well as a section three championship. Lou owns a share of team championships in the Greater Syracuse League, the City League, and the Post-Standard League. His

Trailer Diner team once set an association team record score of 3431 and His Twin Trees team set a game record of 1298. Twice he has won the Van Wie Doubles, with Flash Caloia in 1963 and in 1965 with Joe Borello. During competition in the City tournament, he won the doubles with Sam Misita in 1966, the All-Events in 1962, and two team championships. Probably the title that he cherishes the most is winning the 1970 Landgraf Singles tournament.

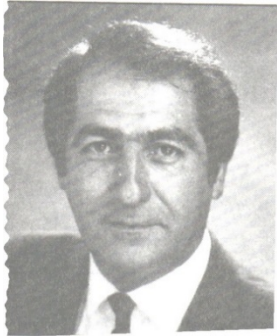
Charles Castleman 1991 meritorious service



Charles served as President of the Syracuse Bowling Association in the 1979-80 season. He began bowling as a teen and at the age of 20, he was elected as a league secretary. He helped to organize the Knights of Columbus and the Mason's charity tournaments. When Valley Sports Center

opened, he helped to organize the Builders Exchange League, which eventually grew to 64 teams at Holiday Bowl. When Modern Lanes opened in Eastwood, he organized the Blessed Sacrament Church League and served as its secretary for 17 years.

Anthony "Nini" Sgroi 1992 outstanding performance



A member of the Syracuse Bowling Association for more than 25 years, "Nini" made local bowling history during the 1960s when he could be found turning in constant stellar performances on the lanes. In 1968, when a 200 average was a feat in itself, his 210 average was considered amazing.

He was the first bowler to win back-to-back Herald Masters titles while winning 17 consecutive matches. He appeared a record 22 times on the local television show "Syracuse Bowls" in 1966. Many Syracusans will remember the overflow crowd at Eastwood Sport Center in 1965 when Nini defeated PBA champion Bob Strampe 792 to 707, including a 300 in his final game. He was a four-time member of the SBA championship team and in 1968, he became the first person in Syracuse bowling history to win the SBA championship in all four events in the same year.

Dominick Episcopo 1992 meritorious service



Dominick was a member of the Syracuse Bowling Association for more than 40 years. He served as an officer in three leagues and served on the SBA Board of Directors, eventually becoming the Association President during the 1989-90

season. During his years of service to the bowlers of the Syracuse Association, he was often found at the association tournament site or leading the staff of a New York State event when it was held in Syracuse. He also worked with the media during local tournament events.

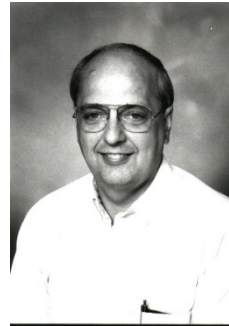
Stan "Sharkey" Milek 1992 meritorious service



Sharkey was in the bowling game for more than 50 years. He was an institution at the Polish American Citizens Club, where he started as a pinboy, but soon worked his way up to manager. He was active in the promotion of the juniors, women's and men's leagues.

Several of the top local bowlers began their career under his guidance. Known for his gruff manner, it was his straightforward attitude that earned him thousands of bowling friends. His entire life was devoted to bowling, and he made his mark in countless ways.

Thomas Minnegan 1993 outstanding performance



In a bowling career that has spanned over 50 years, Tom established himself as a strong team player and fierce competitor. He bowled with some of the finest teams in the Syracuse area, including Raphael's Restaurant, Twin Trees Restaurant and Van

Wie Chevrolet in the City League and The Post-Standard League. Tom bowled in more than 30 ABC events and has a top-10 finish in Team, Doubles and All-Events. Tom and Don Collins won the Van Wie Doubles in 1979, when they broke all the existing scoring records. In 1976, he won the Herald Masters. In association tournament competition, he won the All-Events title in 2003, the Doubles title with Marty Fichera in 2003 and again in 1976 with John Russo.

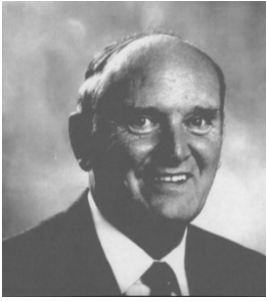
Salvatore "Sam" Misita 1993 outstanding performance



Many of Sam's accomplishments in the game of bowling occurred before he joined the Syracuse Association, in the Fulton Association. He had carried a more than 200 average to close to 40 years. Sam was a member of many classic league team

champions and also was New York State Singles champion in 1965. He won the SBA doubles event with Lou Scrimale in 1966. In 1977, Sam was a member of the Twin Trees team which set an association single-game record of 1298 at Holiday Bowl.

Dave Damon 1993 outstanding performance



One local publication titled Dave Damon the “King of Kings,” and anybody who followed the long-running “Syracuse Bowls” television show knows the reason. He has more games completed on television than anyone in the Syracuse area, and was “King of the Hill” seemingly more than all

the other competitors combined. Of his 104 matches on television, 26 of them produced titles. David also has Onondaga Senior titles and National Senior Olympic victory to his credit.

John H. Pirro 1993 meritorious service



John served as President of the Syracuse Bowling Association in the 1944-45 season. At that time, bowling lanes were made of wood and finished with lacquer and shellac. An attorney by profession, John was often called upon to volunteer his time and lend his expertise in matters of the Association. John was

instrumental in bringing the ABC Tournament to Syracuse in 1935, and fondly recalls the strategy and campaigning which made the bid successful. He was asked to help with the bids to bring the 1958 and 1973 ABC National Tournaments to Syracuse.

Augustine “Gus” Russo 1994 outstanding performance



Gus has been a veteran of the Syracuse Bowling Association for over 35 years. He bowled on numerous championship teams in various classic leagues, including the City League and The Post-Standard Classic League. He

bowled an 822 series at Holiday Bowl in The Post-Standard League, which was part of an association record team score of 3498. His highest average was 221 in the 1992-93 season. Gus has a 10th-place finish in the team event of the 1981 ABC National Tournament and won the SBA singles title in 1976. Gus teamed with Jim Robarge to win the Van Wie Doubles on three occasions and he won the Herald Masters in 1988.

David Brownlee 1994 outstanding performance



A long-time participant in local classic leagues, David has a high average of 232. He has enjoyed respectable finishes in more than 20 SBA championship events, including the 1994 All-Events title with a score of 2198 and the 1994 Singles title with 781. In 1990, he won the League Officers tournament with a score of 745

and he also has a second-place finish in the Herald Masters tournament. David has a second and a third-place finish in U.S. Open local qualifying tournaments and for several years held the national mixed trio record 2282 with John Scaia and Freida Gates. Over the years, David has bowled more than 50 award scores, including ten 800-plus series, twenty-nine 300 games, twelve 299 games and two 298 games.

Leonard C. Sellin 1994 meritorious service



A member of the Syracuse Bowling Association for more than 50 years, Len was the President of the SBA in the 1985-86 season. He was very active with the Carrier recreation program and published a weekly paper for the Carrier leagues. When the ABC National Tournaments visited Syracuse in 1958 and 1973, Len

worked with John Smorol to amass entries from the Carrier Corporation. During his years as a Director of the Association, Len could be found wherever Association activities were directed.

Danny Biasone 1995 meritorious service



Danny opened the Eastwood Sports Center in 1941, and remained owner until his passing in 1993. His foresight earned him the recognition as a leader in our game. His center was always recognized as on the leading edge of advancements in the game, and local bowlers could be certain to

find the latest innovations at Eastwood. When the association was active, so too was Danny Biasone. He worked with the association consistently in Bowlers Victory Legion drives. Local association tournaments were built at Eastwood. The SBA record for Local City Tournament entries was set at Eastwood in 1975 and that still stand today.

John Simmons 1995 meritorious service



John owned Fairmount Bowling Center for 34 years. He was instrumental in attracting and hosting a number of state events, including the New York State tournaments to Syracuse, with many of them returning more than once after record-setting engagements.

Under his guidance, Fairmount hosted the “Syracuse Bowls” television show for 23 years. John founded the Win Scheduling Pro-Am Tournament, an annual benefit for which the facilities of his center were donated.

Don C. Gates 1995 outstanding performance



Don could very well be one of the only Syracuse Bowling Association Presidents whose bowling career started as a pinboy. He bowled on numerous championship teams in classic leagues including Raphael’s Restaurant, Van Wie Chevrolet, Hotel Syracuse and A&W Root Beer. Some of his titles include winning the Herald Masters twice,

the Van Wie Doubles three times, two New York State team championships and the 1984 New York State Doubles with John Russo. Don started writing the “World of Ten Pins” local bowling newspaper in 1967 and in 1983, he completed 10 years as a PBA tournament sponsor.