SWBA HOF Bios

Mary Kite Sr. 1966 Outstanding Bowler



Mary Kite was inducted as a charter member of the Syracuse Women's Bowling Association Hall of Fame as an outstanding bowler in history. In 1933, Mary and Veronica Peters won the W.I.B.C. doubles, the New York State doubles, and the

Syracuse Women's Association doubles. In 1928, she was a member of the Jefferson Boling Academy team that finished in third place in the Central State Tournament.

Alberta E. Crowe 1967 Distinguished Service



Alberta was inducted in 1967 as a charter member of the SWBA Hall of Fame. She was completely involved in bowling activities. Alberta was Vice-President and Publicity director for the WIBC as well as President of the NYSWBA. Probably greatest achievement was her service as President of the WIBC

from 1960 to1981.

Harriet Darling 1968 Distinguished Service



Harriet was inducted into the SWBA Hall of Fame in 1968. She is a Life Member of the SWBA. She served as President of the SBA for eight terms. In 1954, she was the general chairman of the WIBC when it held the National Tournament in Syracuse.

Ruth Brisson 1969 Outstanding Bowler



Ruth was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1969 for her outstanding ability. She was a member of the championship team in the S.W.B.A. tournament in the 1932. In 1933, she was the winner of both singles and the All-Events Titles. She won the New York State Women's Bowling

Association team championship in 1939 and 1946. She also was a member of the N.Y.S.W.B.A. championship doubles in 1935 and 1938.

Hazel A. Fischer 1970 Distinguished Service



Hazel was elected to the Hall ofFame in 1970. She was elected Vice-President of the SWBA in 1947. In 1956, she was elected director of the NYSWBA and reelected in 1968. As a member of the National Bowlers Writers, she won many awards for her

writing ability. In 1954, she was given an award for her outstanding promotion to local bowling. For several years, she won the Brunswick Award for her feature stories about bowling.

Francis Priolo 1971Outstanding Bowler



In 1971, Francis Priolo was inducted in the SWBA Hall of Fame as an outstanding bowler. In 1936, WIBC Tournament, she bowled a 279 game and a 639 series in the doubles event. She won the Pin Tide Tournament in Utica with games of

214,202,168,214,215,195 and 190.

These were all special match games. Fran once rolled the highest series in Syracuse history, a 717 that stood for many years. In, 1939, her team won the New York State team title in Binghamton. She also won the All-Events title with 1753. During the 1964-65 season, she had the high average in the SWBA of 188.

Doris Phillips 1972 Distinguished Service



In 1972, Doris became a member of the SWBA's Hall of Fame. Doris was secretary of the SWBA for six seasons. She was in charge of the Syracuse entries into the WIBC tournaments for many years. She served as a member of the alltournament committee and was a significant reason for the growth and smooth running of the SWBA.

Christine Hefferon 1974 Distinguished Service



Christine was induced into the SWBA hall of Fame for her service to the bowling community. In 1954, she was in charge in finding sleeping arrangements for over 16,000 woman that would be in Syracuse for the national WIBC tournament. She was in charge of the committee that made reservations for SWBA guest whenever they visited

Syracuse.

Florence Donovan 1973 Distinguished Service



Florence was elected to the SWBA Hall of Fame in 1973. She helped to get the 1954 WIBC tournament awarded to Syracuse. For many years she directed skits for the Syracuse delegation at the National tournaments. These skits were presented by the cities competing to host the WIBC tournament. Florence also served

as hospitality chairman for the WIBC.

Marian O'Hern 1973 Distinguished Service



Marian was elected in 1973 to the SWBA Hall of Fame for her service to bowling. In 1954, Marian handled a large share of the secretary work for the WIBC tournaments besides holding her regular job as a secretary for Bliss Steel Products. She served for four years as secretary of the City Women's Bowling Association prior to her election as first

Vice President of the association. Marian was chairman of the secretaries committee in charge of preparing notices, taking notes at all meetings, preparing printed materials and mailing lists for all committees and assisting in gathering data for state contacts.

Mary Peters 1975 Distinguished Service



Mary was inducted into the SWBA Hall of Fame for her service in 1975. Mary was chairman of the 1954 Women's International Bowling Congress Tournament that was held in Syracuse. She was chairman of the Motor Corps. That transported the WIBC Visitation

Committee around the city for two years before the tournament. Her 30-member committee was the first contact for out of town visitors during the tournament. Mary was Vice President of the 32 team Victory League.

Bessie Genge 1976 Distinguished Service



In 1976, Bessie was elected to the SWBA Hall of Fame. She was in charge of the budget committee for the 1954 WIBC. Bessie was the treasureer and associate office manager of the Jefferson Bowling Academy where the WIBC tournament was held. She was active on the publicity committee as well as booster sponsor committee.

For four years she was secretary of the 40- team Ladies Commercial League.

Adeline Alberts 1977 Distinguished Service



Adeline was elected in the SWBA Hall of Fame in 1977. She was one of the original directors of the SWBA. She served as President of the Women's 600 Club for many years and was a charter member of the New York State 600 Club. She served as Regional Director

of the New York State 600 Club. Adeline was also a charter member of the first Ladies Classic League. So it is no surprise that Adeline was elected to the SWBA Hall of Fame for her many years of service to women's bowling in Syracuse.



Marcelle was inducted into the SWBA Hall of Fame in 1979. She was the first Secretary-Treasurer of the Syracuse Junior Bowling Association and served in that position for fifteen years. She saw the membership increase from 2716 in the first year to 5480 in

1979. Marcelle conducted the Junior Tournament for fifteen years and also conducted the Junior Champion of Champions' Tournament.

Ann Korthas 1978 Distinguished Service



Ann was elected to the SWBA Hall of Fames in 1978. She was one of the more active "Senior Citizen Bowlers" in the area. Ann did not take up the sport of bowling until she was 40. She comes from a very active bowling family, which included daughters Ann Adams, Roseanne Bretzer, Barbara Stauffer and

Mary Jane Egloff as well as granddaughter Jennette Adams, which are all in the SWBA Hall of Fame. Ann was President and charter member of the Liverpool Women's League and is also a life member of the WIBC.