

SWBA Hall of Fame 2000-2018

Sharon Sitar 2000 Outstanding Bowler



Sharon became the forty-second member of the SWBA Hall of Fame. In 1966, she started bowling, her teammates were also first year bowlers when they won the SWBA City Tournament. In 1970, Mary Jane Egloff and Sharon started the Syracuse Women's Tournament Association. They also organized the Women's

Handicap Masters Tournament and the Women's Scratch Masters. Sharon and Don Gates started the Van Wie Women's Doubles. For the last twenty years, Sharon has ran both Men' and Women's Van Wie Doubles Tournaments. She has also received several commendations from the Muscular Dystrophy Association as a result of this successful tournament.

Shirley Lafaver 2001 Distinguished Service



Shirley became a member of the SWBA in 1947. She held officer positions in almost every league she was in. Her love of the sport, Shirley participated in over fifty-four SWBA City Tournaments, thirty-three NYS Tournaments and twenty National Tournaments. You will find Shirley at just about every event

that has to do with the bowling. Shirley has volunteered to help with many tournaments and has organized many bowling trips for the State Senior Tournaments.

Dianne Korrigan 2001 Distinguished Service



Dianne was elected to the Hall of Fame in 2001. She is an invaluable worker and supporter of the Harry Raab Memorial Tournament at the Camillus Clubhouse Lanes. Dianne assisted in establishing the lanes junior program and was their active coach. In 1976, she was elected to the SWBA board of directors as

Sergeant-at-Arms and served as 1st Vice President of the association. Dianne is very devoted to the leagues she bowls in. She is very dedicated to any position she has held at the local, state and national level.

Carole Barr 2002 Distinguished Service



Carole has been an active member since 1955 of the Syracuse bowling community. She is a very prominent person in the Valley Sports Center of many years. She will tell you her fondest memories of bowling were in the 1960's, especially learning how to become secretary of a 32-team league. In 1962, Carole

became the second woman in Syracuse to roll a 700 series and that was at Valley sports Center. Carole has held the position of second, third and forth Vice President on the SWBA Board.

Maria D'Imperio 2003 Outstanding Bowling



Maria was inducted for her outstanding accomplishments. In 2000, she won the Syracuse City Queen's Tournament and in 2001 the League Officers Tournament.

She was a member of the 2002 NYS Mixed Team Champions. Bowling in the Empire State Games in 2003, Maria won six gold medals; singles, trios, mixed doubles, six man team, and all-events. In 2000 and in 2002, Maria won the SWBA high series award with scores of 765 and 779, also having thirty-two other 700 series to her credit.

Becki McNally 2004 Outstanding Bowler



In 2000, Becki won the SWBA City Tournament singles and all-event and the Women's Herald Masters. In 2001, she was a member of the NYS mixed team champions, In the Empire State Games she won a bronze and a silver medal. Becki was elected to the SWBA Board of

directors in 2000 and served on the SYABA Board as well. Becki has chaired and served on several committees and bowled in the top women's scratch leagues in the city for many years.

Esther Kilmartin 2004 Veteran Bowler



Esther is one of the most dedicated competitors in the bowling community. In 1973 and 1975, she was voted to the World of Ten Pins Women's All-Star Bowling Team. Esther was a member of the SWBA team champions in 1974. In 1986, she rolled 1312 series in the

NYSWBA Seniors Tournament class C division and was a member on the third place in the WIBC national tournament. In 2003, Esther won the SWBA Senior Tournament AA division.

Delores Wiley 2004 Veteran Bowler



Delores was voted in 1973 and 1974 as the "Syracuse Woman Bowler of the Year." Some of her accomplishments include; winning the Pro-Am Sports Tournament in 1970 at the Fairmont Bowling Center, the Scotch Doubles Tournament in 1973 at the Syracuse

Bowling Center and pairing with Joan Flask to win the Women's Van Wie Doubles. Delores won the Match Play Doubles in 1974 at Holiday Bowl. In 1979, Delores won the Van Wie Doubles with partner Carolyn Himpler.

Roseann DiFlorio 2005 Outstanding Bowler

Roseann started bowling at the age of four in 1966 and



has been improving her skills ever since. In the 2003-04 season, she had the high average in the SWBA with a 226. Three times she bowled a 300 game and had a high series of 801. In 1985, 2004 and 2005, she was a member of the championship team in the SWBA City Tournament. She was

a member of the NYS Women's Bowling Association team champions in 1992 and won the SWBA Queen's Tournament in 1990 and 1993. She has competed in the top women's scratch leagues in Syracuse for more than 30 years.

Veronica Peters 2005 Veteran Bowler



In 1993, Veronica and Mary Kite paired to accomplish an amazing feat. They won the SWBA doubles, the NYS women's doubles and the WIBC doubles. In 1932, Veronica won the Journal American Doubles Event.

Veronica was the high qualifier in the 1947 National Invitational Sweepstakes. During the 1932-33 season, Veronica exceeded all existing bowling records for women when she bowled a 290 and 289 series.

Karen Demperio 2006 Outstanding Bowler



Karen began her bowling career twenty-seven years ago and was active as both bowler and a coach for youth bowlers at Thunderbird Lanes and the Junior Travel League. Her accomplishments include winning in 1980 the NYS doubles event with Rosie Fabrizio, 1990 Scratch Masters,

and US Open Qualifying Tournament, the 1996 Van Wie Doubles with Chris Zimmerman and in 2003 the Post-Standard Women's Masters Championship.

Diane Tripp 2006 Veteran Bowler



Diane bowled in every Ladies Classic league in Syracuse. She has a long list of accomplishments, including the high average in the SWBA in 1977 of a 189. She also won the Queens Special Feature Tournament that same year.

Diane won the 1980 US Open Qualifier, the 1984 Western and Central Tournament Doubles Event and the 1990 NYS 600 Club Regional Tournament in Utica. Diane has been the SWBA team champion six times and has been a singles event champion as well. event champion as well.

Chris Zimmerman 2007 Outstanding Bowler



In 1967 at the age of 10, Chris began her bowling career by joining the junior league at Fairmount. The excitement and enthusiasm she felt for the game continues to this day. During the years, Chris raised her average to a high of 209. In 1966, Chris won the Women's Van Wies Doubles with Karen Demperio. She was a member of the SWBA team champions in 2000 as well as the singles and all-event champion. In 2001, Chris was on the SWBA team event champion. Chris paired with Bob Hoefer to win the B'ville Sports Bowl Doubles in 2002, and in 2005 she won the SWBA singles title.

Dianne Kratz 2007 Distinguished Service



Dianne served as SWBA's Association Manager for over 20 years. She always handled her duties and responsibilities efficiently, which includes processing membership application awards, the organization's finances, association tournaments, and assisting league officers and members with rules and problems. Dianne was heavily involved in the annual BVL fund drive, which is very close to her heart. During her tenure, Dianne has always been willing to lend a hand whenever she has been called upon. Her dedication to her job and her loyalty to the SWBA is second to none.

Dorothy Schiano 2007 Veteran Bowler



Dorothy has been bowling for over 53 years. For many years, she did not drive and she took the bus to and from bowling. Dorothy bowled at Strike N Spare, the Ukrainian Home, Pastimes Club and Syracuse Bowling Center. Dorothy has many league championships to her credit and won many local 600 club tournament events. She has many gold, silver and bronze medals to her credit bowling in the senior Empire State Games.

Veronica Adams 2008 Outstanding Bowler



Since 1982, Veronica has bowled in the Ladies Classic leagues in Syracuse. Her career high average is a 201. In 1997, she became the third woman to bowl a 300 game in Syracuse. Other notable accomplishments include winning the 2003, the NYS 600 Club Regional Championship, in 2004- Women's Post-Standard Masters and in 2008- SWBA Doubles Event with Teri Pryce. Veronica's personal best series is a 747 bowled in 2006 and her 300 game bowled in 2007.

Jean Weiner 2008 Veteran Bowler



Jean was one of the top women bowlers during the 1960's and 1970's. From 1968 through 1972, she was named as a member of the World of Ten Pins All-Star team five times. Jean was a member of the Post-Standard Tournament Championship team in 1969, she won the SWBA Doubles Event with Joanne DeStefano in 1970 and the All-Events title. In 1971, she won the SWBA Doubles Event with Babe Martino and the All-Events Title. In 1977, she won the SWBA Doubles Event for the third time, this time with Dolores Myers.

Teri Gonzalski 2009 Outstanding Bowler



Teri started bowling in 1987 and by 1995 she was averaging 194. Her accomplishments include, being a member of the SWBA team champions in 1996, 2004, 2007 and 2008. In 2006 Teri was a member of the NYS team champions. She has bowled four 300 games, a high series of 748 and a high average of 217. Teri has finished in second place in the Van Wie Doubles and fifth in the Post-Standard Women's Masters.

Evelyn Price 2009 Distinguished Service



Evelyn has more than twenty-five years of service to the Syracuse bowling community. She has served as President, Vice President and Treasurer of many leagues. Evelyn served as Vice President of the Syracuse 600 Club for several years. In 1985, she was elected to the

SWBA Board of Directors and from that point forward, Evelyn put her heart and soul into the SWBA. During her service on the board, she was a director, third Vice President, second Vice President and chaired many committees. Evelyn served as a delegate from the SWBA to the NYSWBA

Esther DiFlorio 2009 Veteran Bowler



Esther started bowling in the 1940s. She was a part of the best leagues in Syracuse, the Women's City league, the BPAA Ladies Traveling league, the Erie Blvd. Ladies Classic and the Eastwood Sports Center Ladies Classic. Esther won the Syracuse Mixed Doubles tournament with

Mike Rayo in 1958, and the SWBA All-Events and SWBA Team Event in 1974. Esther was named as a member of the World of Ten Pins All-Star team in 1974. She has a high game of 278 and high series of 675.

Martha Cameron 2010 Outstanding Bowler



Martha began bowling at a very early age in Rochester. At age 14, she was averaging 160 and placed second in the NYS Junior Tournament. During the 1970's, Martha continued to gain knowledge and experience in the sport through the efforts of her

coach, Esther Henry, one of the best bowlers not only in Rochester but in New York State. By the time Martha was in her 20's, she was bowling in leagues six nights a week. Martha moved to the Syracuse area in the 1990's. Martha bowled her first perfect game on December 23, 1989 while competing in the Genesee Men's Classic League in Rochester. Fifteen years later, she rolled her second and third perfect games within a six month period on April 17, 2004 while competing in the New York State Queens Tournament in Binghamton and October 18, 2004 in the Greater Syracuse League at Flamingo Bowl. When Martha rolled her perfect game on April 17th, it was during the first three games of a five game

Martha Cameron con't.

qualifying block at the NYSWBA Queens Tournament; her 3-game total was 818 and her 5-game block was 1284. Just to show how consistent Martha has bowled since she joined "us" in Syracuse in 1997, she has averaged over 200 in her league play every season except one, with a career high average of 217 in the 2006-07 season. Her achievements include; winning the NYS Mixed Doubles with Tim Stauss in 1997, NYS YABA Adult/Junior with Brigid Jones in 2000, SWBA Queens in 2002 and 2003-SWBA Championship Tournament Team Event in 2004. Martha has proven that she is one of the finest bowlers in the Central New York area. She has always shown true sportsmanship on and off the lanes and has earned the respect and admiration of her peers.

Jeanni Cooper 2010 Veteran Bowler



Jeanni also affectionately known as "Coop," was a proud member of the SWBA for 35 years before illness forced her to step aside from the game she loved. Jeanni not only loved to bowl, she also enjoyed coaching our youth. For twenty years she was a bowling coach for the

youth program at the B'ville Sports Bowl. She has touched the lives of many young people not only by teaching them the fundamentals of bowling but instilling in them the importance of being a good sport and enjoying themselves. From the 1970's through the early 2000's, Jeanni bowled in all of the ladies classic leagues in Syracuse and was the ultimate team player. An accomplished bowler in her own right, she had a career high average of 199 in the 1996-97 season, a high game of 290 and high series of 793. Her high game and series were bowled on November 14, 1992 at Erie Blvd Bowling Center during the Alibi Tournament. While competing in the LAI-Erie Ladies Classic, Jeanni and her teammates shot a then SWBA city team record of 3339. Tournament winnings include the -1989 Van Wie Doubles with partner Linda Hulbert, -1991 SWBA Championship Team Event and SWBA League Officers Tournament, 1992- NYSWBA Championship Tournament Team Event, 2000- SWBA Championship Team Event and 2001- SWBA Championship Team Event. Jeanni was one of the best bowlers in our area. Even when she was no longer able to participate herself, she still got her bowling "fix" by watching her children compete. All of them have become good bowlers in their own right, something of which Jeanni was very proud.

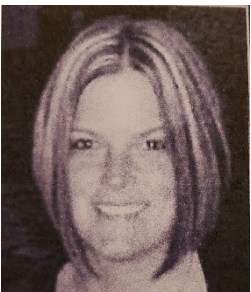
Eloise Jones 2010 Veteran Bowler



Durning the 1920's and 1930's, there was a growing number of women in the Syracuse area who were becoming well known in the bowling circle. An accomplished bowler in her own right, Eloise was certainly one of those ladies. One of Eloise's greatest

achievements was the fact that she was the first woman in Syracuse to manage a bowling alley. In 1931, she was hired by Bernie Mauer, to manage Mauer's Recreation Alleys, a 26-lane establishment. Previously, Eloise had assisted her father, Nate Jones, in the management of Imperial Alleys in Auburn. In addition, she periodically contributed a bowling column to the Herald-American, the forerunner to the Herald-Journal. Eloise competed during the same era as many other local bowling stars, such as Mary Kite, Martha Rompf, Veronica Peters and Ruth Brisson. While bowling with the Maurer's Alleys team in the Women's City League, Eloise and her teammates won several league championships. In addition, she had the high average in that league in 1932 with 176 and in 1933 with 178. In 1930, she bowled in a series of matches against Emma Nearing, a star bowler from Johnson City, that were held throughout the Central New York and Southern Tier areas. The series consisted of four matches of 10 games each with Eloise coming out on top by 439 pins for the 40 games that were bowled. Eloise averaged 176 for those 40 games. Her other accomplishments include winning the 1928- Upstate Journal-American, 1929- NYSWBA Championship Team Event, 1931 and the 1932- NYSWBA Singles Event. Eloise's dedication to the sport cannot be denied. She was truly one of our pioneers.

Colby Stejbach 2011 Outstanding Bowler



Colby grew up in the Buffalo area began her bowling "career" at age 7. She quickly got hooked on bowling and spent most of her sparetime at the lanes where her mom worked as a program director., where she continued to develop her bowling skills. Colby enjoyed other sports as well, such as

basketball, swimming and softball. After graduating from high school, she attended Erie Community College, a school well known for its bowling program. In the 1992-1993 collegiate seasons she was named as a NJCAA First Team All American, MVP of the bowling team and Co-Athlete of the Year. In 1992, Colby joined her first classic league.

Colby Stejbeck cont.

In 1997, she moved to Syracuse, working hard at her game and proceeded to become one of the top bowlers in the area. Colby's highest series is a 700 and she has three perfect games. Her accomplishments include; 1993- team gold medal in the Empire State Games, 1998- SWBA Queen's Champion, 2003- NYSWBA Team Champion 2003 and 2004- Van Wie Doubles Champion with Sandy Causer, 2005- Post-Standard Women's Masters Champion, 2006- NYSWBA Team Champion, 2008- SWBA Queen's Champion, 2010- NYSWBA Team Champion and 2010 Auburn Women's Masters Champion. Colby's dedication to the sport, her willingness to work hard to improve herself and her love of competition has made her one of the best bowlers in our area and the state level as well.

Fran Piraino 2011 Distinguished Service



Fran's interests have always revolved around sports, which is not surprising since she was a four-sport athlete at Henninger High School before playing college basketball while attending LeMoyne College. Her love of writing led her to graduate with a BA in English and Communications.

Fran married into the "Piraino" family" and became interested in keeping the sport of bowling relevant in the local media. Fran began covering local bowling in 1998 for the Syracuse Newspapers. Her first assignment was to cover the Herald Journal (now Post-Standard) Masters Tournament. Since that time, she continued to cover both the Men's and Women's Masters as well as many other noteworthy events including the SWBA Queen's Tournament and the Van Wie Doubles. Her weekly column in the Syracuse Newspaper was something that all bowlers looked forward to reading every Thursday as Fran always provided tournament results as well as individual achievements and personal highlights. During the 2009-2010 season, Fran helped start the CNY Striker, a local bowling publication by becoming editor and primary writer. Fran's work as a bowling writer has been recognized as the local, state and national levels which is evident by awards; NYS Women Bowling Writer, US Bowler Writing Competition, Bowling Magazine and the Syracuse Press Club. Fran's appreciation for the sport of bowling and the care she takes in writing about the men, women and youth who participate in it make her a worthy addition to the SWBA Hall of Fame.

Adrienne Stoddard 2011 Veteran Bowler



Adrienne, along with her husband Frederick, were the proprietors of Stoddard's Lanes in Minoa for many years. In addition to spending most her day making sure that everything was running well, she still found time to participate in most of the top women's leagues at that time including Sevan's Women's

Classic League, Ladies Classic League at Eastwood Sports Center, Peterson Classic League at Syracuse Bowling Center as well as supporting leagues at her own establishment. Adrienne participated in fifteen NYSWBA Tournaments and numerous WIBC National Tournaments. Her personal accomplishments include; high series of 652, high game of 269 and a high average of 192. Unfortunately Adrienne's career was cut short due to her untimely death at the age of 49 in May of 1971. Her belief in youth bowling was indeed a platform for the future it led Adrienne to become one of the first proprietors to support the creation of the Junior Traveling league. As a proprietor, she was admired for her hard work which was evident by the loyalty of the bowlers who participated in leagues at her establishment. Adrienne was admired for her sportsmanship and her bowling skills as well.

Madeline(Madge) Wells 2012 Veteran Bowler



Madge outstanding two-sport athlete, excelling in both softball and bowling. To say that softball was her first love would certainly be an understatement. She was a tremendous pitcher, throwing multiple perfect games during her 35 years as a player. Madge's ultimate migration to the sport of bowling

seemed only natural and her bowling style was definitely based on her pitching delivery. Madge's bowling career spanned the late 1950's to mid-1980's. For many years, she bowled on one of the best ladies teams in the Syracuse area, Smoral's Restaurant. Her teammates included Doris Smoral, June Lundderman, Rita Falge, Evelyn Lydon and Angie Tacy. This team won the Ladies Classic League championship an astonishing sixteen times. Madge's accomplishments include; second place Team Event NYSWBA Championship Tournament in 1960, 1961 – SWBA Doubles Event with Doris Smoral, 1969 and 1970-

Madge Well cont.

named World of Ten Pin All-Star First Team, 1970-Schenectady Press Tournament Doubles Champion with Palma Madonna and All-Events Champion. Madge's bowling accomplishments, as well as her unbelievable career as a softball player, led her induction into the Greater Syracuse Hall of Fame in 1995. Although Madge passed away in 2008, her memory will live on with all who knew and admired her.

Tina Fabrizio 2013 Outstanding Bowler



As with many of us Tina's career began as a participant in the junior bowling programs in Baldwinsville under the keen eye of her mom, Rosie, a champion bowler in her own right. As the saying goes, the apple doesn't fall far from the tree. Even at a young age, Tina was

determined to improve her game. Then and now, she has always been her harshest critic. Throughout her junior bowling years and as a young adult, Tina was constantly striving to improve her skills. To say that she has accomplished that task, would definitely be an understatement. Tina has gone from a youngster trying to figure out what to do, to one of the best bowlers in the Syracuse area. She has competed in the top ladies classic leagues in the area. Her skill at the sport has grown over time, as evidenced by her accomplishments as follows; 1995- NYS Women's 600 Club Regional Tournament Champion, 1996- SWBA City Tournament Doubles Champion, 2007- NYS USBC Mixed Team Event Champion, 2011- Post-Standard Women's Masters Champion, 2012-SWBA City Tournament All-Event Champion and 2013-Van Wie Doubles Champion with Sherry McClusky. Tina has three perfect games and a career high series of 801. In addition, she has had the high average in the SWBA association three seasons in a row 2010/11 with a 222, 2011/12 with a 219 and 2012-13 with a 223. While bowling in the Bowl Mor Ladies Doubles League, Tina and her partner posted a score of 1506 on January 14, 2013 and followed that up with 1567 on February 25th that same year. Both of these were first and second in the nation. In addition to her competitive side, Tina also spends time helping what will become the next generation of our adult bowlers. She was involved in running the youth bowling program at Thunderbird Lanes. She also served on the board of the Syracuse Youth Bowling Association.

Tina Fabrizio cont.

Tina has dedicated herself to our sport, she has driven herself to be one of the best and still continues to strive to be better, which is the ark of a true champion.

Sanda Kitching 2013 Veteran Bowler



Sandy began bowling in the early 1970's at Strike N Spare Lanes. At the time she was bowling in a league that started after she was out of work at midnight. Sandy found that bowling was a good way to meet people, make friends and have some fun in the process. Unfortunately when she was laid off she had to forgo bowling for a few

years. She was able to start again in 1977 and quickly realize that she enjoyed the competitive side of bowling as well as the fun side of the game. While bowling in a handicap leagues at the time, she was asked to subone evening in the Ladies Classic League at Erie Blvd Bowling Center. As she subbed in that league several times, Sandy noticed that her scores were consistantly improving when she was competing with better bowlers. Eventually, Sandy was asked by Barbara Bieganowski to join her team as a regular member. From that point on Sandy was hooked and remains so to this day.

Throughout the years, Sandy has bowled in a number of classic leagues, such as Erie Ladies Classic, Bowl Mor Ladies Doubles and the T'bird Ladies Classic in addition to mixed leagues and ladies handicap leagues. Sandy has a long history of success on the lanes, covering over three decades. Her accomplishments include; 1987-SWBA City Tournament Singles Champion, 1989 Post-Standard Women's Masters Champion, 1989-Alibi Tournament Champion, 1995-SWBA City Tournament Team Championship and the 2010- SWBA League Officers Tournament Champion. In addition, Sandy's personal best includes; 744 high series, one 300 game, 299 game. She has participated in over twenty NYSWBA tournaments, National Tournaments and is a strong supporter of the local and state 600 Club tournaments.

Sandy Adiano 2013 Meritorious Service



Sandy started bowling at the age of 8 in the St. Peter's Church League at Erie Blvd. Bowling Center. After graduating from high school she bowled with her mom and cousins at South Side Recreation Alleys. Sandy bowled in the New York Telephone League, where she was president of the league. When that league

disbanded, Sandy began to bowl in the Florence Donovan Memorial league, where she was president of that league for several years. While bowling in that league Sandy was approached by Verna Hundsammer (SWBA secretary-treasurer) who asked Sandy if she would like to help with the 197th NYSWBA Championship Tournament being held in Syracuse. Sandy agreed but little did she know what was in store for her. Sandy was a "golfer" until one Sunday morning Fran Priola (SWBA president) asked her to start the bowling tournament by getting on the microphone and welcoming the bowlers and giving the instructions. When Sandy returned home she told her mom what an honor it was to be given such a task by one of Syracuse's bowling legends. After the 1979 tournament was over Sharon Matyas and Dianne Korrigan, both SWBA directors encouraged Sandy to attend an association meeting. She did and as they say "the rest is history." In 1980, Sandy ran for position of director on the SWBA board. She continued with that position until 1996, when she was elected second Vice President. In 1999, Sandy was elected President of the SWBA and served in that capacity for many years. In addition to serving on and being chair of every SWBA committee, she also served on the Syracuse Bowling Council. Sandy's service to bowling was not limited to our local association. She has been delegate to twenty-six NYS Conventions and fifteen WIBC/USBC Conventions. Her willingness to work led her to appointments to serve on numerous NYS committees including Convention Chair in 1996, 2000, 2006 and 2010 when SWBA hosted the New York State Tournament. Sandy has had the honor of attending press conferences in Onondaga County Executive Nick Pirro's office for the announcement that Syracuse had been awarded the 2011 USBC Women's Championship Tournament. In addition, she sat on the Syracuse Convention Center & Visitors Bureau Planning Committee to provide input on all aspects of holding a National Tournament. The CVB called her their "resident traveling bowler." Sandy was also named CVB "Star of the Month" the night of the opening of the 2011

Sandy Adiano cont.

Tournament and was featured in their monthly magazine. During all of the years of Sandy's service to the SWBA and the bowlers in our area, she has always been willing and able to go the extra mile. She has devoted more than thirty years to the bowling community and guided us through both the best of times and the challenges we faced.

Tina Becciu 2014 Outstanding Performance



Tina's excitement and desire to bowl began at a very early age when she received her first bowling ball as a Christmas gift in 1970. Tina started bowling in junior league at Imperial Lanes, where she had the good fortune to be introduced to the great Marty Piraino. Marty began teaching Tina and continued to

do so into her teenage years, always helping to improve her skills. After graduating from high school, Tina went on to college and during this time, she took a break from bowling. After returning from college, a friend asked Tina to substitute in a mixed league. This brought her back to the game. In 1985, Tina stepped into the "big time" when she started bowling in the Frankie's Ladies Classic League at Strike N Spare. In the 1980's, Tina was bowling three nights a week during which time she was able to raise her average from 167 to 178. By the end of the 1980's, she was averaging in the 190's. During the mid-1990's, Tina would be winning multiple team championships in the prestigious Erie Ladies Classic League with teammates Freida Gates, Rosa Moro, Sherry McClusky and Jeanni Cooper. In 1989, Tina bowled a 290 game during match play in The Post-Standard Women's Masters, which would stand as the high game of that tournament for thirteen years. In 1994, Tina attained her all-time high average of 201 while competing in the Bowling Green Ladies Classic. Tina's accomplishments include; 1995, 1998, 2001 and 2005-SWBA City Tournament Team Champion, 1990 and 2007-SWBA City Tournament Doubles Champion, 1992-NYSWBA USBC Team Champion and 2011-NYS USBC Division II Queen's Champion. In addition to winning the NYS USBC Division II Queen's Championship, Tina was also runner-up in 2007 and finished fourth in 2013.

Tina Becciu cont.

One of the accomplishments Tina is most proud of is taking first place in the Greater Syracuse League during the 2009-2010 season with an all female team which included; Jen Creno, Rosa Moro, Janice McCarthy and Sherry McClusky. Tina has earned the respect of her fellow bowlers, not just her talent and determination but for her class and sportsmanship on and off the lanes.

Danielle "Dee" Cote 2015 Outstanding Performance



Dee was a late starter in bowling, as she did not take up the game until the age of eighteen. Her first venture in league bowling was in Oswego, where her mentor, coach and inspiration was Kathy Gioia. Once Dee began bowling full-time in Syracuse, Rosa Moro and Tina Becciu were her biggest supporters and always there to give her

assistance on how to improve her game. In the early 1980's, Dee bowled on Friday evenings at Imperial Lanes with Barb Bieganowski, Robin Jastremski and Teri Gonzalski. Dee also competed in all of the top ladies classic leagues in the Syracuse area. Dee has numerous accomplishments to her credit including the; 1990 and 1993 SWBA City Tournament Team Championship and 2010-NYSWBA Singles Championship. Dee has a career high game of 296 and high series of 775, both of which she accomplished in the 1995-1996 season and a career high average of 201 in the 2004-2005 season. In addition to her accomplishments while a member of SWBA, Dee also had a number of titles while a member of the Oswego Women's Bowling Association. While participating in that association's annual tournaments, she won the All-Events title in 1986, Doubles and Singles titles in 1989, All-Events title in 1990 and a Doubles title in 1993. Dee's accomplishments are certainly outstanding. Equally important is her dedication to the sport and her willingness to encourage her teammates and opponents as well.

Jan Moro 2015 Distinguished Service



Jan became interested in bowling at an early age when she was introduced to the game at Modern Lanes. Both of Jan's parents were avid bowlers and encouraged her to participate. As she grew up, Jan came to appreciate the contributions her mom and dad were making to the sport, not only as participants but in their willingness to serve as league

officers. Witnessing this ultimately led Jan to become interested in being of service to the SWBA. She started to attend association meetings, which brought her to the attention of the association President at the time, Bette Jewel. Jan became a Director in 1990 and served in that capacity for twenty-five years. In 2015, she was elected to the position of Sergeant-At-Arms. Jan shot her first 600 series (684) in 1968 and immediately joined the local 600 Club. Participating in the club's tournaments was not quite enough for her, as she wanted to be more involved. In 1980, she was elected as a Director and was the Vice-President of the 600 Club for some time. In 1993, Jan was elected President of the local 600 Club and is still serving in that capacity. Jan has been a member of the NYS 600 Club, has competed in regional tournaments and the annual state tournaments for many years. Needless to say, Jan wanted to do more on the state level as well. In 2014, she was appointed to the NYS 600 Club Board of Directors. Jan's willingness to serve the SWBA, local and state 600 Clubs is second to none. She is a tireless worker and a great supporter of our bowling community.

Virginia "Ginny" Bottorff 2015 Veteran Bowler



To say Ginny personifies the term veteran would be an understatement. At age 94, she was still participating in two senior leagues at Lakeview Bowling Center. Ginny had a long career, which began (as an adult) in the 1940s when she competed in the Bieber-Isaac Ladies Classic League at

Syracuse Bowling Center. She bowled with all the top women keglers at the time, including Mary Kite Sr., Mary Kite Jr., Fran Priolo, Helen Gresens, Ann Adams, Ruth Brisson and Myrtle (Butch) Brisson to name a few. Ginny held her own with all of those ladies and outshined them by having a season high series of 620 and a high average of 175.

Virginia "Ginny" Bottorff cont.

In 1946, she won the Singles title at the SWBA Annual Association Tournament. After the demise of the Bieber-Isaac Ladies Classic League, Ginny continued bowling in the Women's City League and the Ladies Commercial League, both of which conducted their league play at Jefferson Bowling Academy. Throughout her career, Ginny has been a strong supporter of tournament bowling and participated in numerous local, state and national events. She was a longtime member of the local 600 Club. Ginny loves the sport of bowling and has no intention of giving it up anytime soon. The motto of a true veteran of the sport. Ginny you rock!!

Jennifer Creno 2016 Outstanding Performance



Jennifer began her bowling "career" at the tender age of 5 under the watchful eyes of her mom and dad, Syracuse Bowling Hall of Famers Rosa Moro and Joe Creno. By the time Jennifer moved into the junior bowling ranks, it was apparent that we were watching a star in the making. At the high school level, while attending East Syracuse Minoa,

Jennifer was a member of the girl's varsity bowling team from grades 7 through 12. That team won the Onondaga High School Championship five times. In 2003, Jennifer was named MVP of their team. At the college level, while attending Delaware State, she was MEAC Bowler of the Year. All of this was just a precursor to what she would accomplish once she started to participate at the adult level. Jennifer has ten perfect games to her credit and four 800 series. She has multiple high average awards in the various leagues in which she participates. In the 2015-2016 season, Jennifer carried a 224 average in the CNY Ladies Classic League, the high average for this season in the Syracuse Women's Bowling Association. Jennifer has many other accomplishments to her credit including 2006 SWBA Queens Champion, 2009 SWBA Team and All-Events Champion, 2013 Irene Wurz Tournament Doubles Champion, 2015 SWBA Queens Champion, 2016 Post-Standard Women's Masters Champion and 2016 SWBA Team Champion. In addition to her titles, Jennifer finished second in the 2013 SWBA Queens Tournament and was runner-up in the Post-Standard Women's Masters in 2010 and 2015.

Jennifer Creno cont.

She was named Bowler of the Year in 2014-15 season by the CNY Striker. On May 18, 2016, Jennifer was honored with the 2016 Reed Hawke Award from the "Believe to Achieve" Syracuse Sports Corporation for her excellence in bowling and sportsmanship.

Marcia Russo 2016 Outstanding Performance



Although Marcia began her bowling career in Buffalo, we are certainly proud to call her our own, as she has been a member of the Syracuse Women's Bowling Association (SWBA) for 32 years. During that time she has competed in all of the top women's leagues in the Syracuse area. In addition, she has been an officer in many

leagues. She can also be very proud of her involvement with youth bowling, having coordinated leagues for several years at Syracuse Bowling Center. It was (and still is) important to Marcia to be able to cultivate our youth bowlers and watch them grow into our "stars of tomorrow." Marcia spent a great deal of time over the years working on her own game and it certainly shows in her accomplishments, which include 2002-New York State Mixed Doubles Champion, 2003-New York State Mixed All-Events Champion, 2004-New York State Division II Queens Champion, 2007- New York State Mixed Team Champion, and 2011-Syracuse Bowling Association Senior Singles and All-Events Champion. In addition, Marcia won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals while competing in the Empire State Games and the New York State Senior Games. She has many league championships to her credit, including a division championship during the 2008-2009 season in the Greater Syracuse League. Marcia has a career high series of 693, high game of 289 and high average of 199.

Betty Genninger 2016 Distinguished Service



Betty has been a member of the Syracuse Women's Bowling Association (SWBA) for 46 years. During that time, she served in the capacity of Secretary/Treasurer of both the Syracuse Women's Bowling

Betty Genninger cont.

League and the Syracuse Women's Insurance League. Betty's tenure as a Director on the SWBA Board began in 1990, when she was appointed to that position by then President, Bette Jewell. During her many years on the SWBA Board of Directors, Betty has served on numerous committees including Hall of Fame Dinner, BVL and as Chairperson of the Senior Tournament. In 1997, 2002, 2006, 2010 and 2015, when the SWBA had the privilege of hosting the New York State Women's Championship Tournament, Betty diligently worked at the souvenir booth. In addition to her involvement in the SWBA, Betty has served many years as a Director on the Syracuse 600 Club Board, and also participates in all of the club's tournaments. She is also a member of the New York State Women's 600 Club and has participated in their Annual Tournament and meetings for over 25 years. Betty has participated in 41 consecutive New York State Women's Championship tournaments and has served as a delegate to the Annual meeting many times. In addition to her service to the SWBA, local 600 Club and state 600 Club, Betty has her own accomplishments as a competitor. She and Jan Moro won an SWBA Doubles title in 2012. The duo also finished third in the 2016 tournament. Betty's biggest accomplishment, however, came in 1985 when she won the Pabst Blue Ribbon Tournament. Not only did she win the women's division, she also bested the men's division champion in a "Battle of the Sexes" match. Betty's commitment to serving the bowlers of our area, and supporting our sport by her continued participation, makes her a welcome addition to the Syracuse Women's Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

Courtney Radick 2017 Outstanding Performance



Courtney grew up in the Albany area and began bowling at a very early age. In fact, her dad bought Courtney her first bowling bowl when she was just 5 years old. In second grade she and her younger brother participated in an after-school bowling program. Once Courtney got a little older, she joined a Saturday afternoon youth bowling program. By the time she reached 7th grade, Courtney was already accomplished enough to be selected to her high school varsity bowling team. To say she was hooked would be an understatement as she began bowling in a Junior Classic League in Albany on Saturday mornings and then in a Junior League in Cobleskill in the afternoons. In addition, she bowled every Sunday in the Capital District Junior Travel League.

Courtney Radick cont.

Courtney attended college in Albany and, since she did not have a car during her freshman year, her dad would transport her to Del Lanes, where she bowled in a Classic League. On Thursdays, Barbara Leicht-Bowers (one of the greatest bowlers in New York State) would drive Courtney to The Bowler's Club in Latham, where she bowled in the Women's Classic League. During this time, Courtney bowled her first 800 series and her first 300 game. That perfect game came during Empire State Games qualifying. After graduating from college, Courtney was offered a position at a law firm in Oswego. She began bowling in Oswego and then started bowling in Syracuse on Tuesdays in the T'bird Ladies Classic (now the CNY Ladies Classic League.) As a member of the Syracuse Women's Bowling Association, Courtney has numerous accomplishments which include, but are certainly not limited to, the following: 2009 Syracuse Women's Bowling Association Queens Champion, 2012 Post Standard Women's Masters Champion, 2016 New York State Division 2 Doubles Champion, 2016 Syracuse Women's Bowling Association Singles, Doubles and All-Events Champion, and 2017 Syracuse Women's Bowling Association Team Champion. Courtney's personal achievements are just as impressive. She has had two 800 series, nine perfect games and a career high average of 227. In addition, she was inducted into the Oswego Bowling Hall of Fame in 2016. Courtney has proven herself to be one of the best bowlers in our area.

Krystal Ashby 2018 Outstanding Performance



Krystal first picked up a bowling ball at the age of 2 and took to the game right away. Not surprising, since mom Kitty and dad Dennis were avid bowlers. While still young, Krystal could be seen on Wednesday nights at Erie Boulevard Lanes, watching her mom bowl in the Ladies Classic League. It was apparent that Krystal was "into" bowling as she spent a lot of time practicing at Eastwood Sports Center, Strike N Spare and Bowling Green. By the time she was in her early teens, Krystal was already averaging in the 180s. Krystal began her adult career bowling with her mom Kitty in the T'Bird Ladies Classic League. She bowled in a mixed league with her mom starting at the age of 18. Krystal has competed in the CNY Ladies Classic League, the Thursday Night Mixed and Friday night men's leagues at Bowl-Mor as well as several other leagues in the area. Krystal has also served as Secretary

of the Saturday Night Mixed League. Beginning with the 2002-2003 season to the present, Krystal has maintained an average of 200 or above, which includes her career high of 221 in the 2014-2015 season. She has numerous 700 series to her credit, her best being a 781 shot during the 2011-2012 season. Even more impressive is the fact that Krystal has nine perfect games to her credit, bowled at Bowl-Mor, Strike N Spare, Thunderbird and The Village Lanes. Krystal won the SWBA Queens Tournament in 2013 and also had runner-up finishes in 2006 and 2015. She and partner Chris Zimmerman won the SWBA City Tournament Doubles title in 2009. For the past 15-plus years, Krystal has proven to be one of the best bowlers in our association and there is every reason to believe that more accomplishments will be forthcoming.

Mary Scarson 2018 Distinguished Service



Mary's love of the sport of bowling can truly best be seen by her many years of dedicated service. She has served as a Director of the Syracuse Women's Bowling Association for sixteen years and has been President of the Syracuse Youth Association for ten years. In addition, she served on the committee responsible for bringing the merger of our three

local bowling associations into the new Central New York USBC Bowling Association. Mary is the Secretary of the Hearth & Home League, a position she has held for over 15 years. She has also served as Coach and Secretary of the Camillus Elks Junior Bowling League for 44 years. Mary was honored with Distinguished Service to Youth in 2003, as well as Syracuse Secretary of the Year in 2009. In addition, she was named to the Camillus Sports Hall of Fame in 2013 for her outstanding service to the youth of her community. Mary is an avid bowler herself, having just competed in her 49th State Tournament. Mary is a State Tournament trip coordinator on an annual basis, always having at least one bus load of ladies to the annual event. She encourages her league members to participate in all local and state tournaments, and has been known to complete their entry forms and to submit them as well. At a time in her life when most people slow down, Mary is still going strong. She is devoted not only to keeping the sport of bowling alive but strives to see it grow. Mary is a most deserving addition to our Hall of Fame.

Becky Chapman-Bodnar 2018 Veteran Bowler



Becky began bowling at the age of 5, by starting with a three-game series of 3 (this is not a typo), but improved dramatically over the next 39 years of her career. She lettered in bowling at Cicero-North Syracuse High School and began bowling in adult leagues at age 18 with her mom, Sue Chapman. The game got serious for Becky in her 20's when she began bowling in

women's classic leagues. She worked very hard on her game and, as a result, began to excel with many high games, series and averages. Becky worked hard to get her average into the 200's, finishing the with a 208 in the 2005-2006 season. Some medical setbacks brought her bowling to a halt at that time, but subsequent words of encouragement from her son led her to return to bowling in 2010. To say she came back with a purpose, would be an understatement as the next two seasons Becky averaged 212 and 213. Since that time, she has had some additional setbacks, which ultimately led her to step away from the game. Although her career was shorter than others, her accomplishments are many. Becky has a number of City Tournament titles and won many league championships. She and her partner Josh McClusky won the First Annual Mixed Van Wie Doubles title in 2010. During the 2012-2013 season, while bowling in a Friday night league at Strike N Spare, Becky and her teammates (four men including her brother Jeff Chapman) shot a 1344, which was the National High Team Game of that season. Becky has proven that determination, no matter what, will always win.

the league. As the saying goes, the rest is history. Lynette competed in the CNY Ladies Classic League (formerly the T'bird Ladies Classic) for many years. She bowled in the Saturday Night Mixers at Bowling Green, the Bowl-Mor Ladies Doubles League, and the Liberty Mixed League at Thunderbird Lanes. From 1990 through 2016, she maintained an average of 190 or above, with a career high average of 203 during the 2011-2012 season. Lynette has one 300 game to her credit and a high series of 787.

Lynette has a number of local and state titles to her credit, which include SWBA team titles in 1994 and 2013, B'ville Women's Scratch Masters Championship in 1997, a first-place team finish in the New York State Mixed Tournament as well as an All-Events Title.

Lynette Fichera 2018 Veteran Bowler



Lynette was a late starter as she did not begin bowling until she was 18, competing in the American Indian League at Strike 'N Spare with her mom and dad. After a few years, she began bowling in a handicap league at Syracuse Bowling Center, where she eventually carried a 190 average. As luck would have it, Shirley Lafaver happened to stop at the lanes one night

and promptly asked her if she would be interested in subbing on Wednesday nights at Erie Boulevard Lanes in the Ladies Classic League. Lynette did and, before too much time had passed, she became a regular member of

