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Team Event Cancelled!

February 6, the Team Event that was to be held at Lincoln Lanes was cancelled because of bad weather. A squad was added to accommodate these teams. All teams have been called and rescheduled. The updated list is at every center for the Team Event. If you have any questions, please call Joy at 740-653-1598.

Tournament begins with a bang!

The SEOH USBC Championship (City) Tournaments began Jan. 30th at both Lincoln Lanes and Pickaway Lanes.

After two weekends of competition these are your leaders: In the Open Tournament, leading the Team Handicap and Actual Event is the Golf Nuts Team with 3473 w/hdcp and 3110 actual. The team members are: Dave Wilson, Brian Baden, Dave Johnson, Jim Middaugh and Bill Ludwig.

For the Doubles event handicap Rustie Blue and Bob Keister led the way with 1508. Doubles Actual leaders are John Bossone and Todd Mohler with 1404.

In the Singles Handicap Division, Dave Johnson is out in front with a total of 820. Karen Morris took charge of the Actual Singles by rolling a 759 series.

The lead in All Events Handicap is held by Dave Wilson with 2289 and the All Events Actual is led by Bill Ludwig with 2169.

See the Women's current standings on page 2.



Don't forget...Something new has been added this season to the City Tournament. If you bowl and donate non perishable food items or make a cash donation, you will be entered in a drawing for a paid membership for next season. And best of all we will be helping local food pantries and the needy.

A drawing will be held for each day and for each center of the tournament. You can only win one time, it is nontransferable and there is no cash value but you can enter each time you bowl. Come bowl with us, have a chance to win and help your community. Questions? Call 740-653-1598

Women's Current Standings!

The Country Girls have taken charge in the Team Handicap Division with 3600 total. The Trio Appraisal Team is out in front of the Actual Team Event with 2735.

Double Handicap leaders are Michelle Hamill and Christine Davis with 1461. Actual Doubles is led by Karen Morris and Joy Kellenbarger with 1158.

Tracy Golden jumped out in front of the pack for Single Handicap by rolling 760 total. Actual Singles are led by Karen Morris with 603.

To date Erica Kellenbarger holds the 1st place spot in All Events Actual with 1740. Linda Grover holds the top spot in All Events Handicap with 2151.

The action continues Saturday February 13 at Lincoln Lanes. This weekend there are no Doubles and Singles scheduled.

Remember: These are unofficial standings and there are more squads of bowlers to follow.

Big Scores at Tourney!

Pickaway Lanes Tournament Highlights!

On January 31, Tom Beswetherick bowling in the Doubles Event stroked his way to another perfect game to add to his record. Tom completed this set with games of 238 and 214 for a 752 total.

Not to be out done, Tom Stiles on Saturday, February 6 also in the doubles was on fire. Tom rolled a 300 game. He then followed that with a 203. The third game started off with an open and then he got going again and struck out for a 279. This entitles him to an 11 in a row award.

Keep them scores rolling in!

Good Bowling Must Run in the Family!



In the last issue of the Lane Chatter, in the High Scores on the back page, there was some very interesting information. Karen Woolever became the second woman to roll

a 300 game in our association. This was on 12-13-09. Up the page from Karen was James McGinnis III. You may not know this but, James is Karen's son. James rolled his 300 game on 10-25-09. Both rolled their games in the Kings and Queens league that bowls on Sunday night at Pickaway Lanes.

I find it is interesting to get to know a little about the people who bowl those high scores that I am so jealous of. So, here is a little information about Karen and James:

Karen has been bowling for 34 years and 740 is her highest series and now of course a 300 game. She bowls in the King & Queens league. Last season, Karen averaged 180. I found in 2007-08 records, she averaged 194.

James has been bowling for 26 years and 825 is his highest series. James bowls in the Kings and Queens league and the Sunday PBA Experience league at Circle D Lanes. James also travels down to Shawnee Lanes in Chillicothe to bowl. James held and average of 213 last season and had a 212 average when the 300 was rolled.

When I asked Karen if there was anything she would like the readers to know about her, she could think of nothing.

What other sport can you share with your spouse, friends, children, grandchildren and even great grand children. We truly participate in one of the best sports around! If you have something interesting to share with our readers, please send it to me at: seohusbc@aol.com Submitted by: Joy Kellenbarger

FROM THE FILES OF DAN GILLULY:

The All Star League thrived through the years due to a combination of dedicated bowlers devoted to the concept of team bowling and to the league, interested and active sponsors and coverage in the sports pages of the Lancaster Eagle Gazette.

During World War II when many bowlers were in the armed forces, former league members and veterans such as Carl Hoffman, Pete Simon, Clarence White, Russ Haines, Doc Watts, Tommy Thimmes, Fred Motsch and others were determined to keep the league going. They pledged to keep it active and that it would welcome its young men when they returned to civilian life.

It wasn't easy. It became almost impossible to get bowling pins. For example, lumber and wood products were high priority items for the war effort. It took a lot of lumber to construct barracks for the millions of men and women called to service. Inevitably, the bowling centers had to do the best they could with what they had, even if it meant using beat-up pins or pins which varied greatly in weight within a set. Averages declined, of course, but there was a war to be won.

There were some great stories born in those times. Home on furlough, Earl (Bus) Keaton* took his bowling ball back to camp. Just before his outfit left for the European Theater of War, Keaton won the Virginia State Singles Championship. He was able to compete in that tournament because the Virginia Bowling Association waived all restrictions on entries for military personnel.

Not long after that, Bus was on his way to Europe. His flight had an overnight stop at Thule Air Force Base in Greenland. That was the last night of the Air Force Tournament. Keaton became Lancaster's first international champion by winning the singles. But the next morning, Lt. Keaton was told to leave his bowling ball behind – that extra 16 pounds wasn't needed on a plane already loaded with men and equipment. Years later, Bus mused that his ball was probably still on the open ball rack at Thule.

Submitted by: Alice Snider * Earl (Bus) Keaton was inducted into the Southeastern Ohio USBC Bowling Hall of Fame (fka - Lancaster Area Bowling Hall of Fame) in 1983.

New Web Site is Waiting for you! www.seohusbc.com

We are very excited to announce that the new and improved website is up and running. We hope you will take a look, check it out and let us know what you think.

You will find information about your association and what is going on in it. There is a current list of the SEOH USBC Board of Directors and information on how to contact us. The committees for 2009-10 are listed and there is a printable version, if you would like one. You will be able to access all of the entries for the tournaments (adult and youth), applications for the board, committees, and employment. The complete Hall of Fame listing and applications to submit bowlers you think are qualified. Record scores for the Open, Women and Mixed Divisions are all listed. The complete 300 Club for the beginning of the records that we have as well as the 800 Club records can all be accessed from this new website. A complete listing of our bowling centers and lane representatives are included. Current and past issues of the Lane Chatter are just a click away. Current events are listed to keep you informed. Links to other bowling related clubs and organizations are also included.

All comments and suggestions are appreciated. You can send them directly from the website by clicking on the Webmaster link.



SPRING BANQUET COMING SOON!

- What: The Southeastern Ohio USBC Spring Banquet
- When: April 10, 2010

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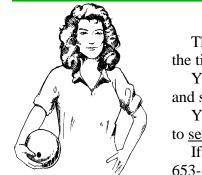
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- Where: The Moose Lodge on Sugar Grove Rd. in Lancaster
- How much: The cost is only \$17 for this 2 meat All You Can Eat Buffet.
- What Time: Social Hour begins at 5:30 PM Buffet will be served at 6:30 PM
- Who can attend? Any SEOH USBC member and their guests are welcome.

Information and reservation forms will be sent to all leagues in March. All of the SEOH USBC tournament winners will be honored at this banquet as well as Hall of Fame Members will be recognized.

Annual Spring Membership meeting will follow the banquet. Make plans now to attend.

Questions call Joy at 740-653-1598



Pins over Average Contest update! The end of the Pins Over Average Contest has come. Now is the time to get your entries in! You have until February 20, 2010 to get the form completed and submitted. See entry for complete details. You can email your entry by scanning your completed form to <u>seohusbc@aol.com</u>. If you have questions call Vicki 740-973-6238 or Joy 740-653-1598. Remember it's free to enter.



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