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Welcome Back Bowlers! A message from your President:

El reporte de El president (2023-24 President's Report)

El president, it's what I first started calling Tom Beswetherick when he was our fearless leader. I don't know I have a thing for nick names, I guess. Hard to believe that after 15 years this is my last dance on the Sunday.

I don't know if I'll call my presidency a success, but I know it wasn't a failure. The memories will last me the rest of my life. I've met bowlers from all over the world thanks to going to the National and State convention. I've learned, from Joy Kellenbarger, things that I will take with me the rest of my life. I may never be on a bowling board again, but the most important thing I ever learned from her was it was okay to say I don't know, as long as you found out what you didn't know, and followed back up with that person.

This time next year, a new Southeastern Ohio United States bowling Congress president will be writing this report. What does it take to be president? The most important thing is showing up. It sounds easy, but when you have your regular life, your life as president bowling association, and all your other interests and responsibilities, it can be quite a juggling act.

Hopefully, the person that becomes president reads this and remembers this. You can do this! The bowlers need a leader who can come up with new ideas, can inspire their board, and surprise themselves. Whoever you are, I believe in you, and please reach out to Joy if you have any questions. Lol, she's awesome about that but you can reach out to me as well!

Lastly, I want to ask you a question.... Who taught you how to bowl? What was the name of your bowling coach. Was it a relative, or was it just somebody who volunteered their time at the bowling alley? I bet each and every one of you remember the person that inspired your love of bowling. Don't you want to inspire someone else? Don't You want to share the gift that was given to you? Whether you're on the board or not, please reach out to us if you're interested in coaching. We will give you all the resources you need.

I will say that our coaches, along with all our board members are RVP and safe sport certified. It's a comprehensive background check that ensures our coaches are safe to work around children. You have to get that to become a coach, but we can help you with that.

I'm going to copy off of Joy one last time, who am I kidding, I have the rest of the year to go just steal from her! I'm going to leave you with a quote.

"No man stands as tall as they do when they stoop to help a child" The Shriners

Joey Austin, President

"Strike Out Breast Cancer Fund Raiser" October 22, 2023 Complete details on page 3.



Association Manager's Report August 6, 2023

Changes have happened and changes will continue. This will be Joey Austin's last season as President of the SEOH USBC. It has been a crazy ride. I have known Joe for many years. I was actually one of his coaches at Lincoln Lanes when he was a youth bowler. I so enjoy watching our young bowlers grow up and see what they do as adult bowlers. When Joe took over the presidency, I'm not sure he knew what it was all about. I think, he has learned a lot since the beginning of his time as president and has grown as an individual. I'm glad I got to help him with his journey. Thank you, Joe, for your time and effort.

Well with that being said, I look forward to the coming season and the changes that will come.

I have been the association manager since the three local associations merged back in 2005-06. I am hoping that someone will step up to learn all that comes with the AM position. The association needs to be sure it would be able to continue moving forward when I am not here to do the work. I'm fine and healthy, as far as I know but I also know that no one lives forever and that includes me. Tomorrow is not promised to any of us. So, I try my best to enjoy every day that I am given. Think about this.

Scenic Lanes had new synthetic lanes installed and have made many improvements to the center. Tiki Lanes continues to make improvements as well and many of them you can't see. New air conditioning units have been ordered. Now to get them in and installed. Things continue to change at both centers. New leagues at both centers. Great things happening at both centers. Pretty exciting.

Our membership count went up this past season to 930. This is two years in a row. Let's keep it going. Invite a friend to bowl with you. Be sure they feel welcome.

We will continue the awards for 300 games, 800 series and 11 in a row. One per person per season and you will continue to have a choice of the coin, the small trophy or no award. If you don't want the award, please don't take it. It wastes money that we could use for other things. If you have a suggestion about this let me know. Also, remember that you need to complete the USBC Award form so I can enter it in your records.

I would like to thank the board, my family and all of my friends for their continued support this season. Everyone needs to know how much I appreciate them.

I always close with a saying or quote so here is one of my favorites.

Winners are the people who when the odds are stacked against them, and those around them have fallen, will have the courage to look within themselves and make the unbelievable believable, and the impossible possible. — C. Phillips

We need you to help with the board. Step up, take a chance. Everyone starts somewhere. Good luck, good bowling, keep the ball out of the gutter and enjoy this new season. I hope to see you on the lanes.

Joy Kellenbarger, AM

Parents & Grandparents:

Do you have a youth bowler who bowls in a SEOH USBC youth league? Did you know that youth bowlers can qualify for scholarship money by bowling in our tournament and in our leagues? The SEOH USBC awards additional scholarships to our youth?

Your association is always searching for ways to bring benefits to our youth bowlers for bowling in certified leagues and tournaments.

The SEOH USBC Scholarship is available for youth bowlers grades 9 through 12. Guidelines and applications are available at all centers and on the website. www.seohusbc.com

Scholarships are awarded in the local youth tournament and in our youth leagues.

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You can contact Joy Kellenbarger for more information by calling 740-653-1598 or by sending an email to: seohusbc@aol.com

Hall of Fame Applications...Due Nov. 1 Do you know someone to submit?



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"Strike Out Breast Cancer" FUN FAMILY EVENT!



"Strike Out Breast Cancer" fundraiser will be held October 22, 2023. We are selling T-Shirts again this year for \$15 for S to 5XL. Kids tees \$10 sizes S - L. Be sure to preorder.

Come bowl for only \$15. **You do not have to be a league bowler to bowl with us.** Invite all of your friends, family and co-workers! Help us sell some tees and help "Strike Out Breast Cancer".

Two games 9 Pin No-tap.

We will have two squads: 10 AM and 1 PM.

There will be raffle tables each squad with many great items. Register early! Lots of family fun!

Help us "Strike Out Breast Cancer!"
Entries are out and at both centers.
ALL ARE WELCOME!





<u>To all League Secretaries:</u> Be sure to get a membership card for each and every bowler. The cards are pre-printed for all of your returning league members. **Be sure that there is a date of birth on every card.** Remind bowlers that have moved, that they need to update their information. All members including subs complete a card. \$27 standard membership dues and \$10 local dues. Make sure that you can read them. *If* **you can't read it, I can't read it.** Give the receipt end of the card to **only** the bowlers who pay dues in your league. The certification form, membership cards (alphabetically), rules and fees are sent to Joy Kellenbarger within 30 days of the start of your league. Awards forms are included in the packet.

If you have any questions, call Joy at 740-653-1598 or email seohusbc@aol.com

<u>To all League Presidents:</u> Your league bank statement is to be sent to you. The President must verify it with the records of the Treasurer to be sure the money is correct and being deposited within the 7 day time frame on a monthly basis. Two signatures are required on all accounts. Each league is to have an EIN-Employer Identification Number. If you fail to verify the account monthly, you could be suspended if shortages are found. The league bonding is not in effect if you don't comply.

Don't forget to have your prize list completed and approved by your league no later than the 5th week of bowling.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Did you know the SEOH USBC has a Resolution of Respect? Would you help us honor our deceased bowlers? When you hear of the death of one of our bowlers, please share this info with Ellen Altop 740-974-4586 or Joy Kellenbarger 740-653-1598. Thanks for your help.

Do you have a Facebook page? We do! Like us.



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Bowling Calendar 2023-24

Mark your calendars.



Event	Location	Date & Time	Cost
Youth Bowling Week	Scenic & Tiki	Sept. 24 - 30	Donations
Strike Out Breast Cancer	Tiki	October 22	\$15
SEOH USBC Youth Smart Tourn	Scenic 1 PM	Nov. 5 & 26	TBD
BVL Week	Tiki –Scenic	Nov. 5 - Nov. 11	Donations
Bowling for Veterans Tournament	Tiki	Nov. 19 1 PM	\$15 each bowler
Women's 600 Club	Scenic	December 3 1 PM	TBD
SEOH USBC Senior Tournament	Scenic	December 10 1 PM	TBD
600/700 Tournament	Scenic	January 14 1 PM	\$18 per person (\$36)
*SEOH USBC Women's and Open *2023-24 Championship Tournaments	Tiki Team Tiki D & S	Tbd	TBD
700 Tournament	Tiki	April 14 1 PM	
Spring Brunch & Mem Meeting	K of C	April –Sun-1:30 PM	
USBC National Convention 2024	Las Vegas, Nevada	April 22 — 25 South Point Casino	
Ohio State USBC Convention	May 17-18, 2023	Columbus	
Open Championship - Vegas	2024		
Women's Championship - Reno	2024		
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