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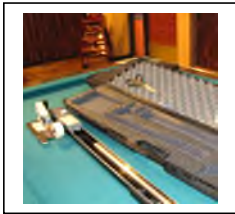
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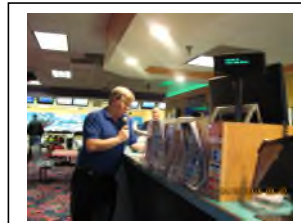
Scenes from 2016 CT State USBC Open Tournament Held at Spare Time Groton Lanes in April



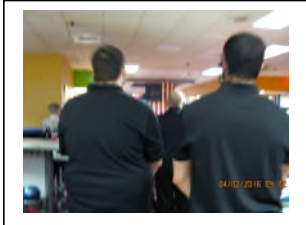
Lane inspection starts before bowlers arrive to check the legality of the shot used.



CT State USBC President, Pat Lupacchino, signs in participants while Director, Annie Gallant, standing, looks on.



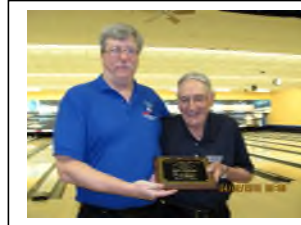
CT State 1st Vice President, Scott Hockford starts Opening Ceremonies for a squad.



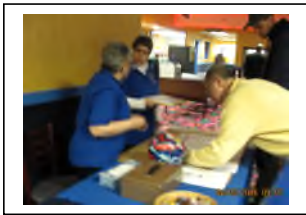
Bowlers stand for the National Anthem as the American flag is displayed.



John LoPresti throws out the first ball to start tournament competition play.



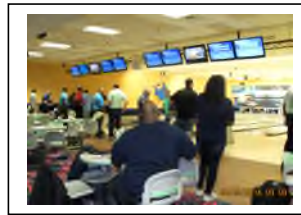
Mr. LoPresti receives a plaque from Vice Pres. Hockford for the event named in his honor.



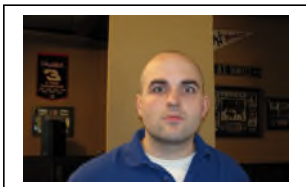
Bowlers buy snacks from 2nd Vice President, Betty Amato.



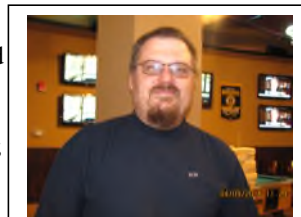
Bowlers warm up during 10 minutes of practice.



The tournament begins as the bowlers roll for scores.



Josh Young, left, threw a 300 game and Rob D'Atri, right, had an 805 series at the Open. Other high scorers were John Burton and Gary Amidon II, 300 games; Chris Larsen, an 821 series; and Tom Kapitan, Jr., a 299 game.



CT USBC 2016 Schedule

July 10, 2016-CTUSBC Annual Meeting at Italian American Club in West Haven

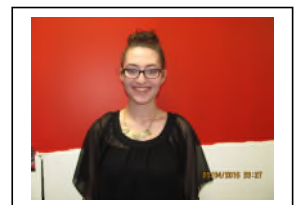
Sept. 25- CT State USBC Hall of Fame & Awards Brunch at Marco Polo in East Hartford, CT

Reminder:

Captains and bowlers are reminded to follow dress codes & rules for all events to avoid disqualifications.

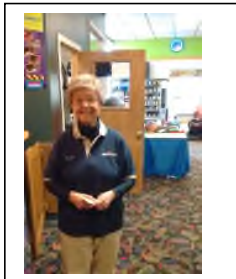
CT State USBC Scholarship Winners Announced

CT State USBC President, Pat Lupacchino, and Scholarship Committee Chairman, Annie Gallant, have announced the recipients of the two 2016 \$1,000 scholarships awarded this year. The winners were Karissa Massicott, a Meriden Platt High School graduate, and Bryan Bonn, graduating from Bethel High School. For more information on each student see the 5th CT Youth Chatter on our website. They are pictured below.

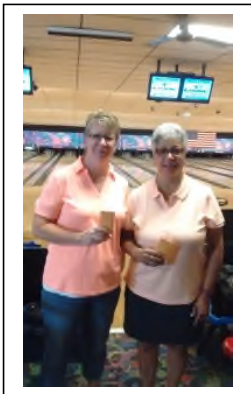
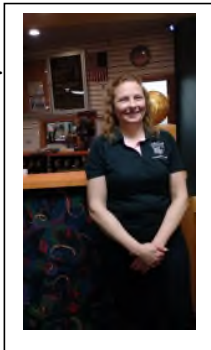


Scenes from CT State USBC Women's Tournament Held at Amity Bowl in May of 2016

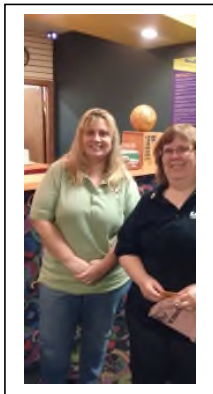
The four photos below show some Women's Tournament Participation Award winners receiving pins this year.



Left is Barbara Bates - (45 years). She was the first CT State USBC President when it merged and is a CT State Hall of Fame member. Right is 15 year pin winner, Mary Reynolds.



Left photo- Lori Bailey, left, and Beverly Scantling receive participation pins for bowling in the CT State Women's Tournament and CWBA State Women's Tournament (before the merge) for 20 years each.



Right photo- Robin Provenzano, left, and Denise Ridolfi were presented their participation pins for 15 and 25 years, respectfully. Robin is also a member of the CT USBC Hall of Fame.

Pictured below is 93 year old, Kay Pelletier, who was selected to throw out the first ball during Opening Ceremonies at the CT State USBC Women's Tournament. She was worried that she would throw a gutter ball, but actually rolled a strike! She holds the plaque presented to her for this honor.



Former CT Bowler Enters USBC National Hall of Fame



She has won CT State Women's Championships as Kim Kahrman and Kim Couture but she went into the 2016 class of the USBC National Hall of Fame as Kim Adler in April in Las Vegas during the USBC Convention week. Kim, born in Massachusetts, did the majority of her adult bowling career in the former GHWBA/CCBA (now GCC) area before she joined the Women's Pro Tour and eventually won 16 pro titles. She had tremendous success before then on the local and state level. Under GHWBA she garnered 2 scratch Team Events (88 & 89) and an All Events (90). In GHWBA records she also took 5 High Average, 4 High Series and 5 High Game awards in the years spanning 88 to 93. On the state level under CWBA years 88 to 92, Kim won one scratch Team, 2 Singles and 3 All Events CT Championship titles. She was the CT State Female High Average Bowler in 87/88, 88/89, and 89/90. In 88/89 she won the CT State Female High Series Award and the CWBA Queen's Tournament. In 89/90 she was named the CWBA Bowler of the Year. She also competed in, and won WASA (Women's All Star Association) Tournaments during those years. All these achievements and many honor scores would have secured her a place in both the GCC and CT State USBC Halls of Fame except for the fact that a candidate has to bowl for 15 years in both. With her talent, she left for the pros long before that!

In the photo above, Kim is seen with Bill Spigner, one of her youth coaches from her days at Bradley Bowl in Windsor Locks. Bill, also a member of the USBC Hall of Fame, attended that night to honor his former pupil. Bill, a Hamden native, is in the New Haven County and CT State Halls of Fame. Besides thanking Bill, in her acceptance speech, Kim thanked several other local and state bowlers who have helped her in her career. They, too, are in local and the CT State USBC Halls of Fame. They include, Pete Couture, Becky Kregling, Mike Lichstein, and Red Burnham, many names you should recognize!

Anyone who wishes to view Kim's speech can go to Bill Spigner's Facebook page at BillSpigner.com or try his web site at (barb@billspigner.com).

CT State USBC wishes to congratulate Kim on this great honor and recognizes her as one of the top female bowlers who ever competed in its tournaments!