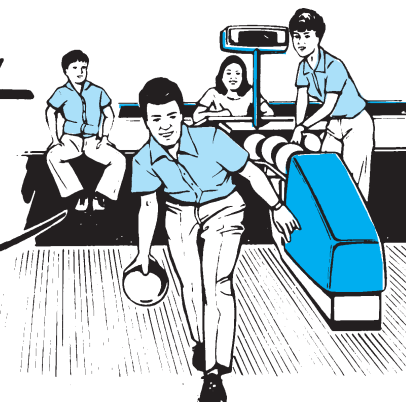


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## 'PBA League' Debuts at PBA Detroit Winter Swing at Thunderbowl Lanes

Detroit area bowling fans will get the first look at the PBA League, which makes its debut Jan. 19-27 at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

The historic professional bowling league will begin competition

during the PBA Detroit Winter Swing. The first round of the PBA League will be telecast live on ESPN Sunday, Jan. 27 at noon. Four additional preliminary rounds will be taped during the Winter Swing to air on ESPN on Sunday

Feb. 10, Feb. 17, March 3 and March 24.

The seven celebrity owners and their team names are: Jerome Bettis (Motown Muscle); Chris Paul (L.A. X); Terrell Owens (Dallas Strikers); Chris Hardwick (Silver Lake Atom Splitters); Billie Jean King (New York City WTT KingPins); LaMarr Woodley (Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits) and Kevin Hart (Philadelphia Hitmen). The final PBA League team and its logo will be announced later.

"The team owners were inti-



mately involved with naming their teams, distinguishing their home location and designing their logos and team jerseys," said PBA Commissioner Tom Clark. "When these teams of professional bowlers take to the lanes with their custom Gemini jerseys they will be reflective of their superstar owners."

Clark said each chose home locations that were important to them, such as Hart and Bettis' hometowns of Philadelphia and  
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### IN THE NEWS

#### Ken Charrette Steps Down as MMBA Executive Director

• DETROIT BOWLING Hall-of-Famer Ken Charrette will step down as Budweiser Michigan Majors Executive Director after 46 years of service. Ken Wyatt will assume the Executive Director position with the first tournament of the MMBA's 47th year on Saturday, Jan. 12 at Thunderbowl in Allen Park.

"I will be publishing a Yearbook, which will have a synopsis of all 46 years," Charrette said. "There will be all the Championships winners, all yearly money and average winners, the Hall of Fame members, the records of 46 years and the record of over 3,100 members that have passed through the ranks of the Michigan Majors. The book will be ready for the first tournament at Thunderbowl."

◆ The MMBA's 47th year kicks off Saturday, Jan. 12 at Thunderbowl (qualifying at 10 a.m.). The one-day tournament features a guaranteed \$1,000 first prize. See page 7.



#### Metro Detroit USBC Annual Meeting Set for Jan. 20 at DeCarlo's in Warren

The Metro Detroit USBC Association (MDUSBC) announces that the annual meeting of the organization will take place on Sunday, Jan. 20, 2013 at 5 p.m. at DeCarlo's Banquet and Convention Center, located at 6015 E. 10 Mile Rd. in Warren.

The meeting will include progress reports from the past year and elections of vice-president, five adult members of the board, five youth representatives on the board and delegates to the United States Bowling Congress convention in April and state delegates to the respective state meetings.

The members will also decide upon three amendments to the by-laws. The proposed amendments would remove the term limits for directors, elect officers by the board of directors and change the local membership fee to \$9 from \$8.

All members of the MDUSBC are eligible and invited to attend the meeting.

Nominations are being taken for the positions of vice-president, adult members of the board and youth representatives on the board. Applications are due by Jan. 15 and can be found on [www.mdusbc.com](http://www.mdusbc.com).

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The two will join six other inductees who were elected in November by the USBC Hall of Fame Committee. They are Rick Steelsmith, Shirley Levens, Sandra Postma and Frank Santore in the Outstanding USBC Performance category, Don McCune in the Veterans category and Tamoria Adams for Meritorious Service.

The induction ceremony will take place May 2 at the 2013 USBC Convention in Reno, Nev.

A USBC panel of veteran bowling writers, hall of famers and board members vote on USBC Hall of Fame nominees. This year's ballot also included Steve Cook, Doug Kent, David Ozio, Danny Wiseman and Larry Laub.

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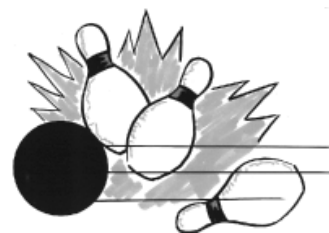
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# MDUSBC Annual Meeting Jan. 20 at DeCarlo's

## METRODETROIT USBC NEWS

By Association Manager  
**Mark A. Martin**

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• THE ANNUAL meeting of the Metro Detroit USBC will be held on Sunday, Jan. 20 at 5 p.m. at DeCarlo's Banquet and Convention Center in Warren.

All members of the Metro Detroit USBC Association are eligible to attend the meeting. All adults and youth over the age of 14 are eligible to vote.

On the agenda are reports on the progress the MDUSBC has made during the previous year, electing the vice-president, electing five adult members of the board, electing youth representatives to the board of directors, electing state delegates to the respec-

tive state meetings and electing delegates to the USBC Annual Meeting.

The members will also decide upon three amendments to the bylaws. The proposed amendments would remove the term limits for directors, elect officers by the board of directors and change the local membership fee to \$9 from \$8.

Anyone desiring to run for any of the positions should visit [www.mdusbc.com](http://www.mdusbc.com) to obtain an application to be forwarded to the nominating committee. You can also call the MDUSBC office for an application.

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### DECEMBER 31st SHEETS

• IT IS CRITICAL that league secretaries return the December 31st average sheets for adult leagues and December 1st and 31st average sheets for youth leagues to the MDUSBC office. This information is used when verifying the results of the various MDUSBC tournaments. If you haven't sent it in yet, simply mail or fax the form to us. The fax number is (248) 443-2690.

Along with the December sheets a list of

bowlers registered in their league who had not paid their membership fees in any league according to our records.

While many of these have been resolved some are still lingering. There are many reasons why this situation may have occurred.

One reason could be a lack of linking two bowlers with similar names together. One card may have been received with a first name of Charles, while the other may be Chuck or some other name the bowler goes by. Remember the Metro Detroit USBC Association database has over 350,000 names in it, so sometimes it is difficult for us to figure it out.

It also causes us extreme difficulty when the December 31st sheet comes in with added bowlers and no application cards for the bowler. Many times they only come in with a first initial and last name. Do you know how many J. Smith's there are in the MDUSBC? Believe it or not there are 365 of them.

League secretaries, when you get this letter about the bowlers get the information requested and mail or fax it back to us. We want to make sure everyone is accounted for.

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### YOUTH TOURNAMENT KICKS OFF

• THE METRO Detroit USBC Youth Tournament began Jan. 6 at Cherry Hill Lanes in Dearborn Heights. Many previous bowlers are already entered, however there are still several youth programs that have

sent bowlers in the past that are not entered as yet.

The event is comprised of four handicap and one scratch division for the team, doubles and singles events. Team and doubles can be comprised of all female, all male or mixed competing against their own division.

Handicap is based on 90 percent from 210 in the handicap divisions.

Other dates for the tournament are Jan. 13, 20, Feb. 3 and 10. Squad times are 9 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

For more information on availability contact the MDUSBC office at (248) 443-2695, ext. 105.

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### MDUSBC TOURNAMENTS

• THE MASTERS will be held at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park, located at 4200 Allen Rd. The date for qualifying is Jan. 26-27 with match play on Feb. 2-3.

The entry fee is \$150 with a first prize of \$4,000 and second of \$2,000 based on 140 entries. Rick Capaldi is the defending champion.

The field will be limited to the first 160 entries so it is critical for returning entrants to send their entry fee and blank in as soon as it is received.

The Senior Masters will be held at Shore Lanes in St. Clair Shores, located at 31100 Harper Ave. The date for qualifying is Feb. 9 with match play on Feb. 10 and 16.

Harry Sullins of Chesterfield is the de-

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## DETROIT ALL-STAR CLASSIC

### All-Stars Kick Off Spring Season

• THE DETROIT All-Star Classic, into its 78th season of competition, kicked off the Spring Season rather quietly at Fraser Star Lanes.

Storm Products/Thunderbowl Lanes took home high series of the night with a three-game sweep, knocking down 3555 pins for the three games. They were led by Craig Nidiffer, who rolled high series for the night with 796. Craig had help from teammates George Juszcyk 751 and Jeff Roche 727. 2Booli/Maximum Potential Pro shop also swept all three points behind a solid team effort from Ronnie Sparks Jr. 763, Jeff Edwards 757, Glenn Pilon 702 and Ron Mijal 701.



Harry Sullins led his Ansara's Restaurant Group team to a 2-1 win by stroking 755. Derek Thompson, in a losing effort, paced Red Robin Restaurants/Sunnybrook Lanes with 718. Plaza Lanes won two points from Red Robin/DBT/Charrette State Farm behind Randy Warnken who rolled 773. Randy Draves led Red Robin/DBT with 715.

In the final pairing of the night it was a tightly congested match between Cozy Inn and Columbia 300/Eastown Printing/Linds/HSC. Cozy ended up sneaking out two of three behind Jon Murphy 768 and Greg Gumtow 706. Columbia 300 welcomed back anchorman Chris Kliczinski, who had been fighting an illness which caused him to miss the last eight weeks of the Winter Season. Chris led his team with a 731 set. Teammates Kirk Sauro 705 and Mike Willis 702 chipped in to make it tight all three games.

The spring season will continue with a trip downriver to Woodhaven Lanes on Thursday, Jan. 10 at 7:30 p.m., then back to the East Side at Bonanza Lanes on Thursday, Jan. 17 at 7:30 p.m. The All-Stars remain on the East Side for the rest of January with stops at Madison Park Bowl on Jan. 24 and Regal Lanes on Jan. 31. All January start times are at 7:30 p.m.

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— Art Schroeder, Secretary, Detroit Traveling All-Star Classic

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# PBA Detroit Winter Swing Features 'PBA League' Team Competition

• THE EBONITE All-Stars did not bowl in the past two weeks so there is nothing new to report. I thought I might take the opportunity to clarify how the "PBA League" will integrate and be part of the 2013 PBA Detroit Winter Swing. As you may know by now, there are eight cities represented by team owners. A draft was held in Las Vegas in November, 2012 to select team members.

The Detroit team is owned by Jerome Bettis and is called the "Motown Muscle." Michael Fagan is its captain. Other team members that were drafted by Fagan are Tom Smallwood from Saginaw, Mike Scroggins, Ronnie Russell and Jesse Buss. The sixth member of the team is Kelly Kulick.

During the 2013 Detroit Winter Swing there will be four separate tournaments conducted. They are the Carmen Salvino Classic, the Mark Roth Classic, the Don Carter



**By TOM STROBL**

*Bowler's Digest Contributor*

Classic and the Earl Anthony Players Championship. While each of the approximately 135 bowlers shall compete for an individual championship, each of the events will accumulate team total points as well.

In the four ESPN finals to be held on Saturday, Jan. 26 and the afternoon final on Sunday, Jan. 27, which are taped shows for ESPN television during the Winter 2013 Tour, there will be a four-team step ladder final using the Baker format. In addition, there will be one final match between the two high individual qualifiers.

For the live two-hour ESPN show at noon on Jan. 27th, the cumulative scores for all four events will determine which five teams shall compete in a stepladder final using the Baker format for that television show. There will be no individual competition, only the five teams competing.

The other team owners are Terrell Owens for the Dallas Strikers, Kevin Hart for the Philadelphia Hitmen, LaMarr Woodley for the Pittsburgh Jack Rabbits, Chris Paul for L.A.X., Chris Hardwick for the Silver Lake Atom Splitters, Billie Jean King for the New

York City WTT KingPins and a final team with its owner to be announced. It is expected that some, if not all (Chris Paul will be absent because he's playing basketball), will be in attendance at the ESPN finals rooting for their team on to success.

## 'PBA League' Makes National Debut

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Detroit (Motown) respectively, and LaMarr Woodley's more recent affiliation with Pittsburgh where his Steelers play.

"Chris Paul made his final decision on his team's logo design just a few minutes after leading the Los Angeles Clippers to a win over the Milwaukee Bucks right at the Bradley Center," Clark said. "Billie Jean King was calling in thoughts while on her way to a Christmas party at the White House and Chris Hardwick took the logo designs to his massive legion of fans on Twitter for their unique opinions."

Terrell Owens' logo includes "TO" for his famous nickname, Hart's includes red hearts, Bettis has his signature Bus 36 on the hood of a muscle car and King made sure the pro tennis league she founded 'WTT' was represented in her team name.

The top four teams after the five preliminary rounds will advance to the PBA League Elias Cup Finals, named after PBA founder Eddie Elias, which will be contested at Woodland Bowl in Indianapolis on Sunday, March 31 for telecast on Sunday, April 7 at 1 p.m. on ESPN. All preliminary qualifying rounds and match play will be live streamed on xtraframe.tv, the PBA's official video service.

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6/22/2013	SUNNYBROOK LANES	10:00 AM
8/31/2013	NOVI BOWL	10:00 AM
9/28/2013	DRAKESHIRE LANES	10:00 AM
10/26/2013	HAZEL PARK BOWL	10:00 AM
11/23/2013	FIVE STAR LANES	10:00 AM
12/7/2013	WAYNE BOWL - FINALS	10:00 AM



# Newton's Laws of Physics and Bowling Balls

## METRODETROIT USBC SCENE

By MDUSBC Director  
**Libbi Fletcher**

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This issue's guest column was written by Stephanie Givinsky, a science teacher at Lakeview High School in St. Clair Shores:

• I TEACH PHYSICS to ninth graders — not the easiest task in the world, but one I thoroughly enjoy.

A big challenge in teaching a subject like physics versus teaching something like the French Revolution is that everyone thinks they already figured out how the physical world works, while most people will readily admit they have a lot to learn about the French Revolution.

The problem is that sometimes the way they've made sense of the world is at odds with the facts. When students have misconceptions about physics, research shows the most effective learning takes place when you get students to verbalize those misconceptions and then confront them with evidence that proves the accurate explanation.

Nowhere is this more evident than in the study of Sir Isaac Newton and his laws of motion. If you took physics, you are probably familiar with the laws, and may even be able to recite them if prompted:

- 1) Objects resist change in motion
- 2) Applied force accelerates objects
- 3) Every force applied results in an equal

and opposite force

Reciting is not the equivalent of knowing. It is not enough for me that my students can recite the laws, they must understand them on a deep enough level that they can apply and verbalize how those laws apply to everyday situations... situations like hitting 16-pound bowling balls with rubber mallets.

Well, I admit that's not really an everyday situation, but most people have some experience with bowling

balls, and I knew the kids would be excited to "play" in the gym, even if it meant applying and explaining Newton's laws in the process.

I needed about 10 bowling balls and rubber mallets for my classes. The mallets were easy enough to find (my school does have an auto shop program, after all). I bowled for years on Thursday night in the S & B Ladies Classic league, so I knew they would come through for me with 'old' bowling balls. I got in touch with Libbi Fletcher, and she arranged everything. Michelle Ewald alone brought eight balls for my classroom to use!

The Monday we returned from Thanksgiving break seemed to be the perfect time to conduct our bowling ball "experiment." The students were very excited to do some hands-on learning and I was thrilled to facilitate a group experience instead lecture.

Given a variety of scenarios, the students had to predict what they would need to do to get the ball to comply. For example, "Once a bowling ball is rolling, keep it rolling at a constant velocity," "A moving bowling ball makes a sharp left turn," and "Follow the three-point line at a constant velocity" were some of the guidelines.

Students were only allowed to use the rubber mallets — we called them "force applicators." Before we began, I briefly checked their predictions, and saw the two

most popular misconceptions were: 1) a 90-degree force was needed to make the 90-degree turn and 2) to maintain motion, a force must be applied multiple times. It was almost painful to watch them struggle to

make sense of what they were seeing, but meaningful learning rarely takes place without confusion and mistakes.

Misconception 1 came up first in their  
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## GDUSBC Annual Meeting Jan. 20

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fending champion. The entry fee is \$120 with a first prize of \$3,000 and a second of \$1,500 based on 140 entries.

The Metro Detroit USBC Association will conduct Annual Women's and Open Championship Tournaments with both starting Sat., Feb. 2 through March 3 at Bowl One Lanes in Troy. Squad times are 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

All events, team, doubles and singles, for both tournaments will be contested at the same site. Handicap is based on 90 percent from 230. Squad organizers of 10 or more teams are eligible for \$10 per team organized. Spots can be paid for by check made out to MDUSBC, VISA or MasterCard. The prize ratio will be at least 1 in 10 entries.

For the Women's Championship there are three average divisions (149 and under, 150-169 average and 170 average and up). The cost is \$22 per person per event and a \$2 all-events fee. The Women's Championship is open to all female members of the MDUSBC who bowled at least 21 games in the 2011-12 season in the Metro Detroit USBC Association or have 21 games or more in the current season in MDUSBC as of the time of bowling.

For the Open Championship the cost is \$150 per team for teams with a team average of 1001 or more and \$125 for teams with a team average of 1000 or under. Doubles and Singles are \$25 per person per event and a \$10 all-events fee. The Open Championship is open to all members of the MDUSBC who bowled at least 21 games in the 2011-12 season in the Metro Detroit USBC Association or have 21 games or more in the current season in MDUSBC as of the time of bowling.

In the Open Championship bowlers can bowl as many times as they wish in the team, doubles and singles events. They can even bowl with the same exact lineup twice, but only cash once with that lineup. To bowl other times a team can compete by changing two bowlers. In doubles the same two players can bowl together twice, but only cash once. In singles a bowler can only cash once.

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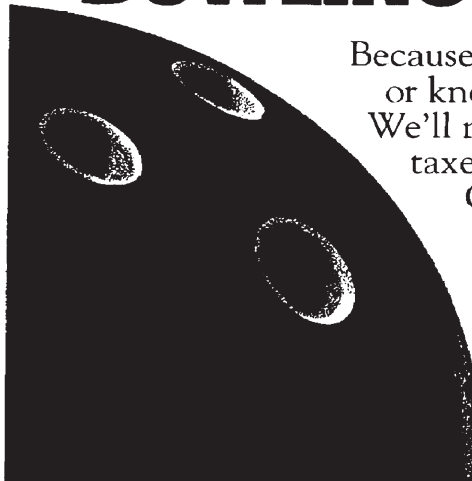
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# Choose the Right Equipment; Line Up Properly

TIPS FROM THE PROS



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• I DISCUSSED in some earlier issues about matching your equipment to the conditions you bowl on.

If you bowl in a bowling center that uses heavy oil you need to have the kind of equipment that works in heavy oil (particle shell coverstocks). Likewise if you bowl on dry lanes with very little oil you must use equipment designed for lighter amounts of oil (pearl reactive resin coverstocks).

Not having the proper equipment means you are not prepared for what you bowl on. Think of bowling as a puzzle in which you must match up to the condition that is given to you. Your challenge is to choose the proper equipment and line up properly.

A golfer uses more than one golf club

for a reason. If you are bowling in different centers or the lanes vary from week to week at the same center you may need to make a equipment change or have the surface on your ball altered. I hear a lot of bowlers complain about conditions, and we are all guilty of it, but remember you get back out what you are willing to put in.

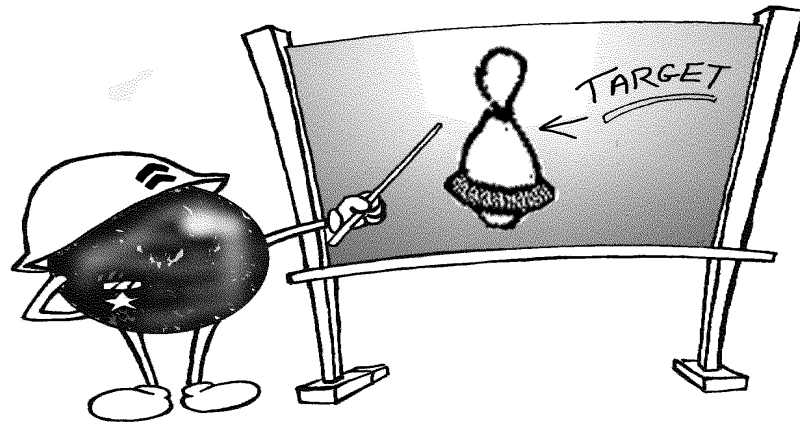
If your ball is going left of the 1-3 pocket and you are standing on the center dot aiming at second arrow, move your feet left a few boards and your target left one or two boards, remember to move your target and feet in the same direction. One of the most common flaws I see bowlers make is to drift on the approach and finish at the foul line in a totally different spot.

Quick Tips:

- 1) Miss pocket to left, move feet and target left.
- 2) Miss pocket to right, move feet and target right.
- 3) Walk straight. If you start on center dot finish on center dot.
- 4) Keep eight to 10 boards from center of body and target. (e.g. stand on center dot aim at second arrow.)

Before saying it is the lanes, try to match up your equipment and get in the right area. Remember, bowling is a game and sport and requires some skill, technique and adjustments. That is the challenge.

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## Newton's Laws and Bowling Balls

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assignment. Over and over, they whacked at their moving bowling balls in vain trying to create a 90-degree left turn. No matter how hard they hit the ball from the right, it seemed to only curve slightly toward the left. One group "screwed up" and hit the ball above where they needed to (past right), and the ball turned a 90-degree angle! Success!

They had figured out the need to compensate for the forward motion of the ball, applying the first law in a meaningful way. Objects resist changes in motion, so a bowling ball moving forward needs to be hit differently than a bowling ball at rest if you want it to make a sharp left turn. Once one group figured it out, the news spread like wildfire and pretty soon the entire class was accurately predicting the result of two combined forces. Every group was hitting the balls both backwards and toward the left, and every group was seeing a 90-degree turn.

Misconception 2 was a tougher challenge for the students. They seemed to think that there must be some force to "keep it going" once a bowling ball was rolling along the gym floor. As the groups applied these "maintenance forces," the bowling balls began to accelerate, rolling faster and faster until the students were running to catch them and frantically pounding them backwards to keep them from hitting the wall.

After watching this for several trials, I approached a group of students who were particularly frustrated and asked them to explain what was going on. They said that they were hitting the balls too hard with the mallets, and they couldn't hit it soft enough to keep it from speeding up.

I asked them what they thought would happen if they just let the ball roll without hitting it at all. One student said, "well, it will just stop. Won't it?" I encouraged them to test it out and see what happened.

Once they just let the ball roll, they were able to see it maintained its velocity with no outside assistance. Finally we had debunked the second law misconception and proved that applied force makes bowling balls accelerate — to maintain constant velocity, no force is needed, not even the elusive "maintenance force".

The activity was more effective than I hoped for. Even my most reluctant learners were able to refer back to our shared bowling ball experience as we worked our way through understanding the Newton's Laws Unit, and I'm pleased to report an over 20 percent increase over last year's test scores with the addition of the bowling ball activity.

Many students have said that was their favorite experiment of the class. I'm so grateful for those old donated bowling balls — they just might have inspired the next great physicist!

## Daugherty Wins PBA Scorpion Championship

LAS VEGAS — After bowling a Professional Bowlers Association record-low 100 game in his only previous television appearance, Tom Daugherty of Wesley Chapel, Fla., redeemed himself in the Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship, winning three consecutive matches including a 200-182 victory over top qualifier Osku Palermaa of Finland, to capture his first PBA Tour title at South Point Hotel and Casino.

The Bowlers Journal Scorpion Championship finals, the fourth of five GEICO PBA World Series of Bowling IV events, aired Sunday, Jan. 6 on ESPN.

Daugherty, who bowled his record-low game in a 299-100 loss to eventual champion Mika Koivuniemi in the semifinal round of the 2011 PBA Tournament of Champions, used his "thumbless" delivery to mow down an impressive field of high-rev power players in the Scorpion finals, raising his television average by 88 pins in the process.

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# Budweiser Michigan Majors Kicks Off 47th Season at Thunderbowl

• THE BUDWEISER Michigan Majors has just completed 46 years of bowling excellence by showcasing the best bowlers in the State of Michigan. The MMBA will kick off the 47th Year on Saturday, Jan. 12 at Thunderbowl in Allen Park. Duane Henderson is the defending champ.

The qualifying time is 10 a.m. This will be a one-day tournament with a guaranteed \$1,000 first prize. There now have been a total of 531 tournaments held with 231 different winners. Dale Hofmeister holds the record with 19 titles

The Michigan Majors is giving an incentive award for paying the yearly dues early. The yearly membership dues are \$60 per year. Savings of \$20 can be made by paying \$40 by Jan. 12. All entry fees are paid back to the membership in the prize money. The cost for each tournament is an \$85 entry fee. The lane condition for Thunderbowl will be the Metro



**By KEN CHARRETTE**

*Member of the Greater Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame*

Detroit USBC Masters Tournament pattern.

The competition and talent has been constant for 46 years. No one can dispute that the Michigan Majors have the best bowlers in the state performing each month. Many of the Hall of Fame members still bowl regularly. Plus many good up and coming young bowlers are joining. It is not easy to win a Budweiser Michigan Majors tournament.

The Michigan Majors is more than just a monthly tournament. There is a Hall of Fame. I am proud to be one of the 64 members now en-

shrined. There are Bowler of the Year and Rookie of the Year awards. There is a "Triple Crown" championship — the Match Game, Championship and the Tournament of Champions. There is also a Championship banquet to acknowledge the previous Championship winner, present the Sportsman Award and induct any new Hall of Fame

members.

I will be publishing a Yearbook, which will have a synopsis of all 46 years. There will be all the Championships winners. All yearly money and average winners. The Hall of Fame members. The records of 46 years. And the record of over 3,100 members that have passed through the ranks of the Michigan Majors. The book will be ready for the first tournament at Thunderbowl.

This is my legacy for the Michigan Majors as I am retiring starting with the first

tournament. Ken Wyatt will assume the Executive Director position.

Until then, anyone wanting to join the MMBA can visit the web site at [www.michiganmajors.com](http://www.michiganmajors.com) (click on the application) or call the tournament office at (586) 775-2414.

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# 'Wrongfoot Lou' Campi Set Record TV Streak

• ONE OF the greatest feats in bowling history unfolded more than 50 years ago.

It was the TV winning streak piled up by the late Lou Campi of Dumont, N.J., a member of the ABC Hall of Fame and half a dozen other Halls.

Campi rolled with the top teams, won the national doubles with Andy Varipapa, and again with Lindy Faragalli, and more than 100 assorted titles. He gained special attention as "Wrongfoot Lou" because he finished on his right foot even though he was a righty, and according to the books, that's the wrong foot.

A mason by trade, Campi was strong physically, but even stronger mentally, and early acquired the reputation as one of the best clutch bowlers in the game. That, and



**By CHUCK PEZZANO**

*Bowling Hall-of-Famer and Nationally Syndicated Columnist*

his pride and confidence in his ability, made him an almost perfect performer for TV. Prior to the streak he had established himself as an outstanding TV performer, winning a couple of cars, pretty fair cash for the times, and all kinds of merchandise. He made constant TV appearances across the country.

No score or record bothered him, and he never worried about how high scores might be. He often said, "If a man bowled it, a man can beat it."

The TV shows were aired live from New York City when Campi was 52. Two years later Campi made history when he won the first official tourney conducted by the PBA.

The show was called, "East vs. West" and

was scheduled for 13 weeks. The format was simple. A list of bowlers from the East and another of bowlers from the West was compiled, and when a bowler lost he would be replaced the following week by the next man on the list. The winner would return.

Campi didn't give his fellow Easterners a chance to bowl. He won all 13 scheduled matches.

In order he defeated Thern Gibson, Johnny King, Bill Lillard, Tom Hennessey, Ed Lubanski, Ned Day, Dick Weber, Don Carter, Steve Nagy, Ed Kawolics, Buzz Fazio, Dick Hoover and Joe Wilman.

That completed the 13-week run. But the producer and announcer, Lou Marks, the owner of the host center, Nick Gianos of Bowlmor Recreation, and the main sponsor, Kitchens of Sara Lee, all knew they had a big hit, and extended the show. Campi beat Buddy Bomar, and an additional week was added, the 15th, when Campi lost to Lillard, 665 to 662.

The Bowlmor Lanes were known as the

most difficult around, and the best in the East struggled to average close to 200. Campi averaged 232-plus for his 45 games, and only four were under 200. He made a number of last-game comebacks in the three-game tests, and thrice threatened 300 game, for which a bonus prize of \$100,000 had been posted.

If the names of the bowlers seem familiar, they should. All were elected to the ABC Hall except King. Kitchens of Sara Lee, now a giant firm involved with dozens of products, featured just cheese cake and coffee cake.

Pat McDonough, then the statistical genius and bowling writer on the sports staff of the New York World Telegram, figured the odds against Campi winning 14 straight matches were 16,383 to 1.

Sadly, no film or tape of any portion of the shows were preserved because in those days the tape was erased and used over again. Some recordings and home movies do pop up now and then.

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