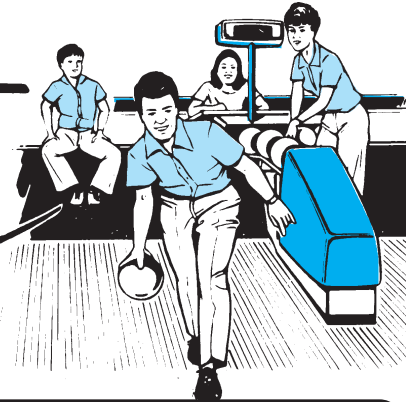


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## Detroit Area to Host 2013 North Pointe Junior Gold and Youth Open

ARLINGTON, Texas — The Detroit area will play host to bowling's biggest youth tournaments in 2013, the North Pointe Junior Gold Championships and the United States Bowling Congress Youth Open Championships. The North Pointe Junior Gold

Championships will take place at Sunnybrook Lanes and Sterling Lanes, both in Sterling Heights, and AMF Rose Bowl in Roseville from July 13-19, 2013.

All three sites will host qualifying rounds with the match-play rounds of the tournament taking

place at Sunnybrook Lanes, which will serve as the host center.

Sterling Lanes will be the site for the USBC Youth Open Championships, scheduled for July 11-28, 2013.

The Detroit area last played host to the events in 2008.

"We're excited to take these two great tournaments back to the Detroit area," said Chad Murphy, International Bowling Campus Managing Director of Youth De-

velopment. "With North Pointe's partnership and expanded divisions, we expect to set a record for participants this year and believe these tournaments will be even bigger in 2013."

The North Pointe Junior Gold Championships, which will award a record-breaking pool of \$250,000 in scholarships at this year's event in Indianapolis, was created in 2011 by the merger of  
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### IN THE NEWS

#### Dorothy Thompson Makes 50th USBC Women's Championships Appearance

Dorothy Thompson of Shelby Township became the second bowler this year to celebrate 50 appearances at the USBC Women's Championships when she made her milestone march down Center Aisle at the National Bowling Stadium on April 29.

The Metro Detroit and Michigan State USBC Women's Bowling Association Hall of Famer made her Women's Championships debut at the 1953 event in Detroit and has competed in 38 cities in 26 different states.

In her 50th appearance, Thompson entered the tournament with a 156 average, which placed her in the Ruby Division. She rolled a 551 series in singles, 528 in team and a 505 in doubles for a 1,584 all-events total. All scores include handicap.

The Ruby Division includes bowlers with averages between 150 and 179, with handicap based on 100 percent of 180.

For more information on the Women's Championships, visit [BOWL.com/womenschamp](http://BOWL.com/womenschamp).



Dorothy Thompson

#### Michelle Ewald Wins Women's Series Event at Shelby Lanes

Michelle Ewald of Clinton Township won the sixth Metro Detroit USBC Association (MDUSBC) Rip 10 Entertainment Women's Series event, sponsored by Blumark, on Sunday with a 236-225 triumph over Kathleen Bishop of Westland at Shelby Lanes in Utica. Ewald took home the top prize of \$500, while Bishop settled for \$250.

Ewald qualified second in the field of 36 with a four-game total of 954. Her qualifying total included a high game of 256. Once in match play she beat Kimberly Maddy of Utica, 235-232, and Jodi Woessner of Oregon, Ohio, 248-246, en route to the championship match.

Bishop qualified fourth with 921. Her victories in match play included wins over Aleksandra Hudak of Taylor, 268-212, and Sandra Schultz of Macomb, 240-216, on her way to the final match.

Julie Oczepek of Reese was the top qualifier with 975, which included a high game of 266.

Lisa Bishop of Belleville won the Blumark cup with 655 points for \$1,000 for the six-event series.

Complete results are available at [www.mdusbc.com](http://www.mdusbc.com) under "Tournaments" and Women's Series page.

The event was sponsored by Roto Grip.



Michelle Ewald

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Minn. Bowler Makes History at USBC Open Championships

Matt McNeil of Prior Lake, Minn., posted games of 268, 300 and 279 for an 847 series April 28 to become the first bowler in 109 years of United States Bowling Congress Open Championships competition with three 800s on the championship lanes.

McNeil's success at the Baton Rouge River Center helped him and Charles Vashaw of Deephaven, Minn., into the Regular Doubles lead with a 1,489 total, while McNeil also claimed the top spot in Regular All-Events with a 2,202 total. His perfect game was the 15th of the 2012 USBC Open Championships, and his 800 series was the second of the year. The 26-year-old left-hander rolled an 806 series in singles in 2010 and an 822 set in doubles in 2011.

Vashaw contributed to the doubles effort with games of 237, 237 and 168 for a 642 series as the two passed previous leaders Roger Blanchard and Jimmy Zimmerman of Syracuse, N.Y., (1,464). McNeil also helped Linds Lakers 1 of Minneapolis into fourth place in Team All-Events with a 9,801 total and fifth place in Regular Team with 3,278.

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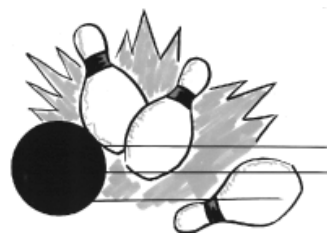
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# Secretaries! Make Sure Averages Are Turned In

## METRODETROIT USBC NEWS

By Association Manager  
**Mark A. Martin**

For more information about the Metro Detroit USBC, call 1-888-753-6350 or visit [www.mdusbc.com](http://www.mdusbc.com)



League secretaries were mailed an average request form on late March to report the averages on. That form was due on April 15th, more than a month ago.

Your help is needed to complete this task. You can help by sending us the first league sheet after April 1 from your league.

This can be faxed to our office at (248) 443-2690 or mailed to Metro Detroit USBC, 28200 Southfield Rd., Lathrup Village, MI 48076.

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### MDUSBC BOARD ACTION

• THERE ARE several leagues that have not turned in their April 1st averages in accordance with the requirements of the league secretary. An updated list is posted on [www.mdusbc.com](http://www.mdusbc.com).

If you are a bowler in one of these leagues, you risk not having your average published in the MDUSBC yearbook because of inaction by your league secretary. Contact your league secretary today to assist in getting these situations resolved.

• THE METRO Detroit USBC Board recently met and approved the following actions:

Doug Williams has been named as Volunteer of the Year.

Two scholarship winners were named. Each will receive a \$1,000 scholarship from MDUSBC. The winners are Michael Uren of Livonia Clarenceville High School and Lauren Krywy of Sterling Heights Stevenson High School.

The 2013-14 tournament sites have been awarded as follows:

*Adult/Youth* — Taylor Lanes  
*Junior Masters* — Astro Lanes  
*Super Senior Masters* — Belmar Lanes  
*Queens* — Astro Lanes  
*500 Club* — Wonderland Lanes  
*Youth City* — Sunnybrook Lanes  
*Masters* — Taylor Lanes  
*Senior Masters* — Classic Lanes  
*Open and Women's Championships* — Taylor Lanes

*Senior Team* — Sterling Lanes

Just a reminder on the sites for upcoming 2012-13 season.

*Adult/Youth* — Universal Lanes  
*Junior Masters* — Classic Lanes  
*Super Senior Masters* — Mayflower Lanes

*Queens* — Universal Lanes

*500 Club* — 300 Bowl

*Youth City* — Cherry Hill Lanes

*Masters* — Thunderbowl Lanes

*Senior Masters* — Parkway Lanes

*Open and Women's Championships* — Bowl One Lanes

*Senior Team* — Bronco Lanes

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### YOUTH AWARDS BANQUET

• THE METRO Detroit USBC Youth Awards banquet will be held on Sunday, May 20 at DeCarlo's Banquet Center at 1 p.m.

The banquet will honor youth tournament award winners, honor scores, scholarship winners and all-city recipients.

Tickets are \$15 and can be ordered from the Association office at (888) 753-6350.

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### AWARDS RECEPTION

• THE METRO Detroit USBC Association will conduct their adult awards ceremony at DeCarlo's Banquet Center on Tuesday, June 19.

Dinner will be served first, buffet style, from 5:30 until 7 p.m. followed by the awards presentations.

Tickets are available for \$15 by calling the Association office at (888) 753-6350.

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### ALL-CITY TEAMS

• THIS IS THE time of year that we work on and finalize the process for the men's, senior men's, women's and senior women's all-city teams.

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For the men's and senior men's categories, games of 298, 299 and 300 receive points as does all 800 series.

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## Bowling Industry to Launch National Youth Club

ARLINGTON, Texas — The bowling industry is uniting to promote and launch the national "8 for 8" Bowling Club promotion this fall in an effort to introduce more children under the age of 12 to the sport. The program gives kids the opportunity to participate in an 8-week league for \$8 per week and includes a custom-fitted ball and a basic United States Bowling Congress Youth membership.

"The formula for youth sports success is clear. Families want a short commitment, bowling gear for the kids and a reasonable price," International Bowling Campus Managing Director of Youth Development Chad Murphy said. "The 8 for 8 promotion provides a turnkey program to get youth bowlers in the door and get them hooked on a great sport."

The "8 for 8" program is a partnership of the IBC in conjunction with Brunswick and Ebonite International. Brunswick and Ebonite have agreed to provide balls for the program at a discounted price to participating Bowling Proprietors' Association of America centers through Strike Ten Entertainment.

"Our industry partners have really stepped up to make this happen," Murphy said. "Ebonite and Brunswick along with BPAA, Strike Ten, USBC and the entire consumer products distribution network are continuing to show their unwavering commitment to innovative new youth programs."

The 8 for 8 Bowling Club promotion will be offered exclusively to BPAA members and comes with a comprehensive marketing kit that includes a standee, posters, counter card and customizable sales flyers. To activate this promotion, BPAA member centers can purchase a marketing kit through Strike Ten Entertainment.

The promotion is scheduled for leagues starting from September 1, 2012 through November 22, 2012. BPAA Members can reserve their 8 for 8 Bowling Club Marketing Kit at Bowl Expo by stopping by the IBC Youth and Strike Ten Entertainment booths.

◆ *For more details please contact Chad Murphy or John Harbuck at the International Bowling Campus at 800-343-1329.*

## Detroit Area to Host 2013 North Pointe Junior Gold and Youth Open

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the USBC Junior Gold Championships and the Bowling Proprietors' Association of America's (BPAA) North Pointe High School Singles Championships into one event.

The tournament features the top youth bowlers in the nation competing for national titles in four divisions — U15 boys, U15 girls, U20 boys, U20 girls — and for spots on Junior Team USA in addition to the pool of \$250,000 in scholarships. Qualifying events for the North Pointe Junior Gold Championships are held throughout the country for Junior Gold members.

Go to [BOWL.com/juniorgold](http://BOWL.com/juniorgold) to learn more about the tournament and the North Pointe Junior Gold program.

The USBC Youth Open Championships is open to all USBC Youth members. It has four average-based divisions and bowlers are placed into divisions based on skill, not age or gender. Each participant bowls nine games — three games each of singles, doubles and four-player team. Go to [BOWL.com/youthopen](http://BOWL.com/youthopen) for more information on the Youth Open Championships.

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### Three More Years!

Recently, I attended the USBC Convention and Annual Meeting in Arlington, Texas. I have been attending this event since 1986. This one was special and a little different since I was up for re-election to the USBC Board of Directors for possibly the last time.

The bylaws state you can only serve nine years for a lifetime. I will only serve eight years since I was appointed for the last two years of Sylvia Broyles' term when she retired from the board in 2007.

The week began with attending the live telecast of the USBC Queen's Tournament held in the International Training and Research Center on the bowling campus. It was a great show with great matches.

Congratulations to Diandra Asbaty on her first ever Queen's Championship. She bowled like she wanted it, and she received her first ever tiara!

Wednesday was a day of workshops, which ran very smoothly and were well-attended. That evening, after attending a very nice reception to honor Joan Feinblum for her induction into the USBC Hall of Fame, I reported to the ITRC, as USBC President Andrew Cain had scheduled a fun event for the board of directors.

We were told to bring our bowling shoes

only... uh oh. We were greeted by USBC Coach Rod Ross, who immediately took us into a room for a little team building exercise... tough, but fun! Then we were told to lace them up!

We went to the lanes where each pair of lanes had certain criteria — get a strike, fit the ball between the 4 and 6-pin, put on these goggles and get 7 or more pins, (which by the way had a button to turn on a strobe light in the goggles), fit the ball between the 5-7 if you

are left handed, 5-10 for the righties, get a spare, and the final lane was using a broomstick in the thumb hole to roll the ball down the lane and get 7 pins! It was pretty fun I must say.

Thursday was the nerve-wracking day. "Meet the Candidates" is a way the delegates get a chance to see the candidates running for the Board of Directors. We get two minutes to talk, then the questions by the moderator, then questions from the delegates, then a one minute summation.

I always struggle speaking about myself, but not so much just talking about bowling in general, because it is what I truly love. There were four candidates who were slated by the Nominating Committee and two additional candidates who were running from the floor. I was so glad when that was over.

Thursday afternoon begins the Annual Meeting and the agenda is all about recognition. Awards were given for BVL, Stars of Tomorrow, Youth Volunteer of the Year, Coach of the Year, the Trailblazer award, and others.

Thursday night was the Hall of Fame induction ceremonies. This year's event had to be one of the best ever! Although there were nine individuals being inducted, it ran smoothly and the speeches were actually enjoyable! I would like to give a Detroit shout out to Dede Davidson, because although she lives in California, she bowled

here in Detroit for many years, especially while winning her titles on the women's professional tour.

Friday begins the actual business meeting. President Cain, who has been in office only three months, did an exceptional job, as did Executive Director Stu Upson. We voted on legislation for league rules, tournament rules, and bylaw changes. And then the scary part of the meeting begins, the election of directors to the USBC Board of Directors.

Probably for the first time in a long time or maybe ever, it only took one ballot to elect the four positions to the board. I was elected along with Tamoria Adams, Steve O'Brien and Karen Jost.

I am very proud to serve on the board for three more years. I am proud to represent Detroit and Michigan bowlers, but also bowlers everywhere. I know that it is my duty to ensure that we continue to CREATE LIFELONG BOWLERS.

Since I am currently chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee, I will work tirelessly to create membership products that are relevant to USBC, the proprietors, the association leaders and most of all, to the bowlers. I will always try to represent bowling at all levels to the best of my ability, while trying to stay current with the products and services that USBC will offer. Thanks to all of the 631 delegates who supported me and those of you who supported from afar. I will try to never disappoint.

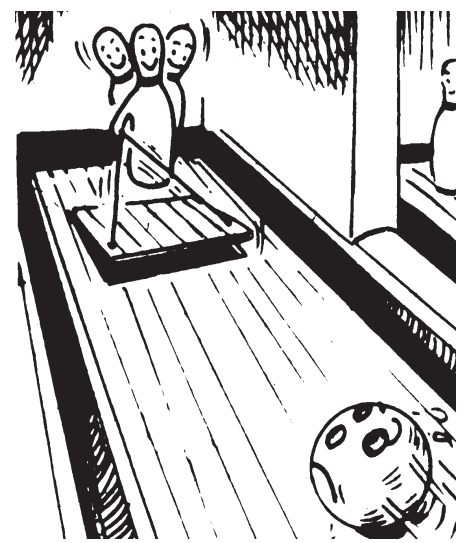
The one negative to the entire week was the low attendance at the convention. If every association sent their full complement of delegates, there would be 2,800 state and local leaders. Instead, there were fewer than 800, which is less than 30 percent.

And this is one time I cannot even say that Metro Detroit USBC stepped up when others didn't. We were allowed to bring 60 delegates and nearly 30 signed up at the annual meeting in January. We only had 10 in attendance.

So a big thank you to President Michael Derosie, Vice-President Anita Maiorana, Ann Block, Katrina and Richard Banks, Pat Klix, George Bresinski, John Vorpagel, Diane Maluzhinsky and Mark Hurttgam for representing the largest association in USBC.

Next year's convention will be in Reno along with the Open and Women's Championship tournaments. I hope this will possibly spur more attendance, at least from my home association.

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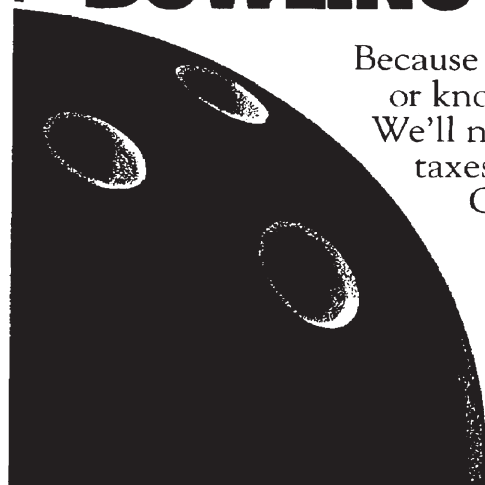
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# How to Handle 'Oily' Lanes Like a Professional

**TIPS FROM THE PROS**



**By CHERYL DANIELS**

*Member of the Professional Women's Bowling Association*

• **OILY LANES** tend to be most bowlers' least favorite condition.

When a lane is oily it has a heavy concentration or "volume" of lane oil. This reduces lane friction between the ball and the lane surface thus making it more difficult to get the ball into a roll. Think of the lane as pavement and the ball as car tires. Without enough traction the wheels on your car will skid on a slick pavement.

In order to get traction you must increase the friction between the ball and the lane surface. The coverstock and surface texture

will have the greatest influence on ball traction. A solid shell particle coverstock will give you the most traction provided that it has some texture or dullness.

I recommend sanding the ball surface with a gray Scotch Brite pad or 400 to 600 sand paper.

Another major factor is the RG (Radius of Gyration). You want to have a medium or low RG ball. In simplistic terms, think of a low RG ball as bottom heavy with the denser part of the core being centered around the equator of the ball.

A low RG ball will roll sooner and not skid as far on an oily lane. Remember your main objective is to get the ball into a roll on heavy oil. You will need to go more direct to the pocket. Do not try to make the ball hook if it wants to go straight. The lane almost always wins.

Another very important factor is ball speed. Too much speed on oil is just as ineffective as a car driving too fast on an oily pavement, you will lose traction.

One more very important factor is keeping the hand soft at release point. Do not force the downswing or exaggerate lifting the ball. Keep the swing nice and relaxed and let the ball leave the hand.

One last item to mention is the ball layout or drilling pattern. Leverage ball layouts and pins closer to the axis will get into an earlier roll.

Main Factors:

- 1) Coverstock; 2) Surface Texture; 3) RG; 4) Ball Speed; 5) Soft Hand; 6) Ball Layout.

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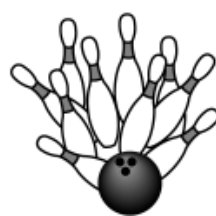
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## Budweiser Michigan Majors Gearing Down for Summer Break

• MANY OF the leagues have ended. The bowling industry will be gearing down for the summer months. The Budweiser Michigan Majors Bowl-

ing Association will be doing the same. There will be three tournaments in the next month and a half before taking a break in July.

The next tournament is May 19 at Nortel Lanes in Monroe. The defending champion is Jeff Edwards. The qualifying time is 11 a.m.

Then comes the ever-popular "Doubles" event on June 2nd. Lodge Lanes will be hosting this tournament for the 25th year. The defending champions are Abed Daher and Doug Mazurco. The start time is 10 a.m. Non-members are welcome to enter. There is a \$1,200 guaranteed first prize.

Nick Wissinger has been on the winning team the most. Nick has won four times all with different partners. Jeff Grego is next with three titles all in a row. First with Travis Franz in 2003, then back to back titles in 2004-05 with John Nolen. Grego-Nolen, along with Nunzio Marino and George Gohagan in 2008-09, are the only teams to have successfully defended their titles.

The MMBA then moves on to Five Star Lanes in Sterling Heights on June 23. The defending champion is Aaron Lorincz. The qualifying time is 11 a.m.



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• THE BUDWEISER Michigan Majors guarantees a \$1,000 first-place prize with a payoff of one in every four entries. The "Triple Crown" Championship tournaments have a \$1,500 top prize. The prize fund increases as the increase of entries dictate. The first-place prize is increased to \$1,300 and \$1,200 for the first two tournaments.

The complete prize fund also grows. The overall prize fund will increase before the first-place prize. Not all money will be placed in the top spots. The MMBA pays out all entry fees in prize money by the year's end.

• THE COST for joining the Michigan Majors is \$60 yearly dues. This money is what the MMBA operates on and can pay out all entry fees in prize money. The entry fee is \$80 for all regular tournaments.

Anyone interested in joining the MMBA can contact the tournament office at (586) 775-2414 or go to the official web site at [www.michiganmajors.com](http://www.michiganmajors.com) and click on the application link.

### Team USA Picks Up Three Golds at PABCON Event

LAKE WALES, Fla. - Team USA claimed three more gold medals Friday at the 2012 Pan American Bowling Confederation Champion of Champions, taking home the mixed doubles, national all-events and women's all-events titles.

Liz Johnson of Cheektowaga, N.Y., and Steve Smith of San Diego combined to win the mixed doubles gold, while also taking the national all-events gold medal. Johnson also won the women's singles gold medal.

In mixed doubles, Johnson and Smith totaled 2,826 for six games to take the top spot at the Kegel Training Center. Johnson led the way with 1,455, while Smith added 1,371.

The PABCON Champion of Champions serves as the qualification event for the 2013 World Games with the top eight teams, including host Colombia, in the national all-events advancing. The advancing teams were the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada, Venezuela, Mexico, Brazil, Guatemala and the Dominican Republic.

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Date	Bowling Center	Time
Feb. 25	300 Bowl - ( over/under 50)	12:30
Mar. 24	Bowl One Lanes	12:30
Apr. 14	Cherry Hill Lanes - Mixed	12:30
Sept. 29	Plaza Lanes	12:30
Oct. 13	Pampa Lanes	12:30
Oct. 27	Westland Bowl	12:30
Nov. 24	5 Star Lanes - (over/under 50)	1:00
Dec. 22	Merri Bowl Lanes ( Grand Finals )	12:30

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# Pat McDonough Remained Young All the Days of His Long Life

• AS MEMORIAL Day approaches, it is a fitting time to remember.

"Pleasant memories are a collection of magic moments sown and harvested through the years."

And this indeed is the legacy of Pat McDonough, who, although he was but a few days shy of his 90th birthday when he died, passed away all too soon back in 1986. He would be 115 now, but remains timeless.

A gentleman and a scholar, a historian, a husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and a friend, honored and respected by all.

A gathering originally was scheduled to honor Pat on his 90th birthday. On his passing it was decided to stick firm and change it to a memorial.

When the west was still young, so was Pat McDonough, but he remained young all the days of his long life. Family was important to him, and he had a number of families.

First there was his blood family, and he



**By CHUCK PEZZANO**

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

kept tabs on them all.

Then there was his baseball family, the sport he covered so well as a young journalist. That baseball family included the likes of Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Leo Durocher, Joe DiMaggio and a list of Hall of Famers too long to note. He talked with them, ate with them, traveled with them, and chronicled them.

There was his writing and journalistic family. First, with the baseball and harness and horse racing writing fraternity, and then with his bowling writing buddies and all the rest of the media, print, radio, and TV.

He was deeply involved and helped conceive, write and produce the first bowling show ever on TV more than 60 years ago.

In bowling he was an all-everything — a bowler, a league and tournament organizer and conductor, an idea man, an officer of all types of bowling organizations.

He was a stickler for accurate records and he was a master at digging up interesting and unique records. He also carefully scrutinized material, oral and written, and po-

lately but firmly corrected and constructively criticized. His Mensa class mind was sharp and sure.

And always, he exhibited a keen sense of wit and humor. He brightened up any dark room, gave delight to many a dull affair and usually left them laughing, no matter how

grim a situation might seem.

Pat McDonough was a man for all seasons, for all centuries, for all people. We honor him for all he was and all he always will be. Memories are storehouses of imagination, the treasuries of the past. Pat's memories will stretch into forever.

## Walter Ray Wins PBA Senior Don Carter Memorial for Third Career Senior Tour Title

WINTER GARDEN, Fla. — Rebounding from a tough 2011-12 Professional Bowlers Association Tour season and coping with the emotions resulting from his father's recent passing, Walter Ray Williams Jr. persevered to win the PBA Senior Don Carter Memorial Open presented by Ebonite Wednesday for his third career Senior Tour title.

Williams defeated Bo Goergen of Sanford, Mich., in the championship at Carter Family Bowl, 247-217, marking his first Senior Tour win since the Senior Mark Roth Allentown Open in May of 2011.

In the 2011-12 Tour season, the 52-year-old Hall of Famer's record streak of 26 consecutive years making at least one TV finals appearance came to an end and he had a best finish of only 17th in the Shark Open. On Tuesday his father passed away after a lengthy illness.

Williams' win in the second tournament of the 2012 season comes off a fourth-place finish in last week's season-opening Senior Sun Bowl in the Villages in The Villages, Fla.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Bowling Center</u>	<u>Time</u>
Mar. 3	Sterling Lanes	10 am
Apr. 7	Thunderbowl Lanes	10 am
May 5	Sunnybrook Lanes	10 am
June 2	300 Bowl	10 am
Aug. 4	Plaza lanes	10 am
Sept. 22	Mayflower Lanes	10 am
Oct. 6	Cherry Hill lanes	10 am
Nov. 3	5 Star Lanes	10 am
Dec. 1	Sunnybrook Lanes	12 pm
( Grand Finals )		